

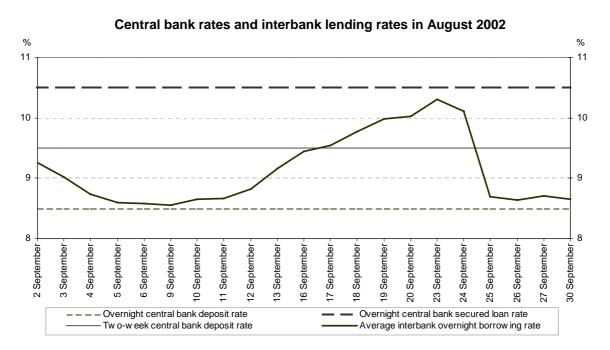
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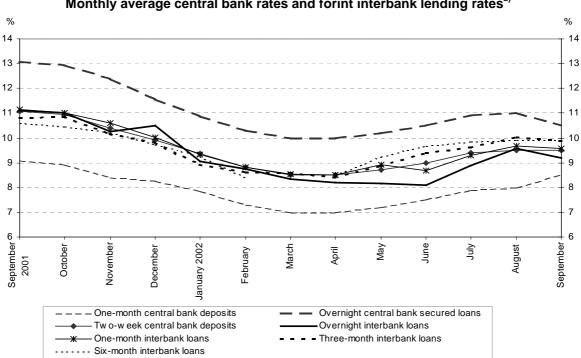
Non-financial corporate and household sector forint interest rates, interbank lending rates

September 2002

In September 2002, forint interbank interest rates fell at every maturity. Non-financial corporations' short-term borrowing and deposit rates rose slightly, whereas long-term rates fell. Borrowing and deposit rates of the household sector remained virtually unchanged, except short-term rates on consumer credit and other loans, which fell.

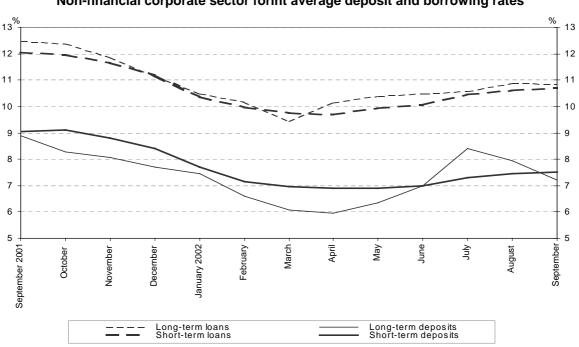


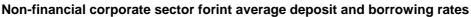
Forint interbank turnover amounted to Ft 1,384.7 billion in September, Ft 8.3 billion more than in the preceding month. The daily average of interest rates on overnight loans moved close to the bottom of the interest rate corridor in the first half of the month, then it turned upwards in the second half, before falling back again to the bottom of the interest rate corridor in the final days. The average rate on unsecured interbank lending fell at every maturity. The average overnight lending rate dropped 38 basis points, from 9.58% to 9.20%, the average lending rate for one month falling 10 basis points, from 9.68% to 9.58%, relative to August. At three months, the average interest rate was 15 basis points lower, falling from 10.03% to 9.88%. The six-month average borrowing rate saw a drop of 1 basis point, from 9.91% in the preceding month to 9.90% in September.



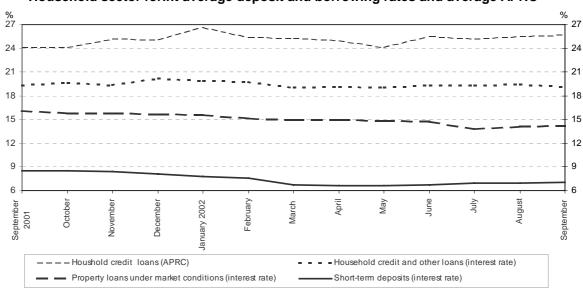
Monthly average central bank rates and forint interbank lending rates^{a)}

The average of interest rates on short-term loans provided to non-financial corporations under market conditions rose 9 basis points, from 10.60% to 10.69%, that of interest rates on long-term loans falling 4 basis points, from 10.90% to 10.86%, both due to changes in the composition of outstanding loans. Caused also by changes in composition, the average short-term deposit rate rose 3 basis points, from 7.47% to 7.50%, and the long-term deposit rate fell 77 basis points, from 7.96% to 7.19%. (Turnover in long-term deposits is generally low and, therefore, the interest rate is more variable.) The spread between interest rates on short-term loans and deposits, which play a major role for non-financial corporations, changed from 3.13 percentage points to 3.19 percentage points relative to August.





a) The interest rate corridor narrowed from 300 basis points to 200 basis points as of 1 September 2002.



Household sector forint average deposit and borrowing rates and average APRC^{a) b)}

a) For the period up to December 2001, the APRC for household consumer credit and other loans contain data only on household borrowing, excluding current accounts, for maturities longer than three months. For the period from January 2002, the chart shows the APRC for household consumer credit, excluding overdrafts.
b) Property loans granted under market conditions do not include state-subsidised loans.

The average interest rate on property loans provided to the household sector¹ under market conditions rose 13 basis points, from 14.09% in August to 14.22% in September. The average rate on consumer credit and other loans fell 31 basis points, from 19.41% to 19.10%, due to changes in composition. The average rate on consumer credit² excluding overdrafts rose from 20.35% to 20.37%, with a 11 basis point increase in the APRC, from 25.58% to 25.69%. Households' average sight deposit rate remained unchanged at the preceding month's 2.44%. The short-term average deposit rate rose 9 basis points, from 6.93% to 7.02% and that of long-term deposit rates rose 22 basis points, from 7.07% to 7.29%.

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Daily interbank rates are available on request at the Bank's Press and Public Relations Department.

¹ The property loans granted under market terms do not include state-subsidised loans.

² This category includes personal loans, Lombard loans, hire purchase loans, car loans and non-housing mortgages.

Appendix 1

Non-financial corporate sector forint average^{a)} borrowing and deposit rates

	Perci													
		20	01		2002									
	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	Мау	June	Jul	Aug	Szept	
Loans														
Short-term loans ^{b)}	12,04	11,95	11,66	11,18	10,35	9,98	9,76	9,68	9,93	10,06	10,45	10,60	10,69	
Long-term loans	12,49	12,39	11,85	11,15	10,48	10,19	9,45	10,16	10,41	10,48	10,58	10,90	10,86	
Time deposits														
Short-term deposits	9,05	9,09	8,81	8,40	7,69	7,14	6,96	6,90	6,89	7,01	7,30	7,47	7,50	
Less than one month	9,03	9,05	8,79	8,40	7,67	7,14	6,96	6,88	6,85	6,99	7,29	7,45	7,48	
1 month <maturity=<1 td="" year<=""><td>9,30</td><td>9,45</td><td>9,05</td><td>8,38</td><td>7,88</td><td>7,17</td><td>7,00</td><td>7,13</td><td>7,22</td><td>7,30</td><td>7,42</td><td>7,60</td><td>7,76</td></maturity=<1>	9,30	9,45	9,05	8,38	7,88	7,17	7,00	7,13	7,22	7,30	7,42	7,60	7,76	
Long-term deposits	8,89	8,26	8,08	7,70	7,45	6,59	6,08	5,95	6,35	6,99	8,41	7,96	7,19	
Settlement account deposits														
Minimum	0,80	1,00	0,50	0,50	0,50	0,10	0,10	0,08	0,08	0,08	0,08	0,08	0,08	
Maximum	11,80	11,80	12,00	12,00	11,00	10,75	10,75	10,75	10,75	10,75	11,63	9,99	9,64	

a) Weighted monthly average. Data on contracts concluded by banks and specialised credit institutions with non-financial corporations under market

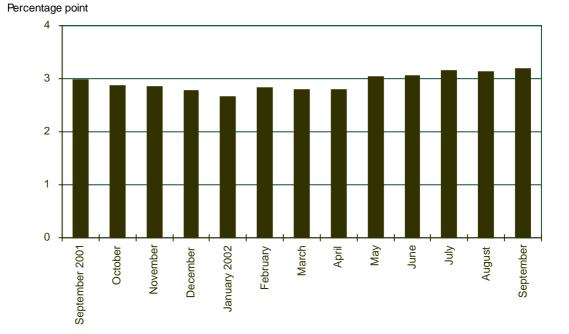
conditions in the given month. Borrowing rates do not include additional costs of loans (e.g. fees).

b) The interest rates on the discounted bills were recorded under the short-term loans until December 2001.

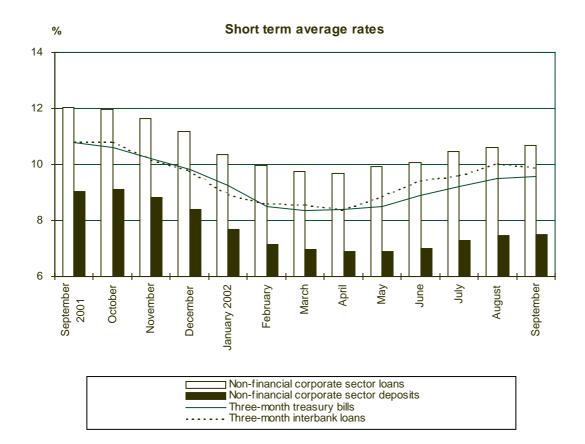
Amount of new business with non-financial corporates^{a)}

												I	Forint billions	
		20	01		2002									
	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	Jul	Aug	Szept	
Loans ^{c)}														
Short-term loans ^{b)}	426,2	543,5	472,0	518,4	130,9	113,5	142,5	161,0	147,9	150,9	169,8	123,9	119,3	
Long-term loans	241,1	289,4	292,2	357,3	57,8	32,3	43,5	51,7	45,8	54,0	45,5	34,7	45,8	
Time deposits														
Short-term deposits	880,3	1.225,7	1.149,5	932,2	1.020,5	1.011,3	1.085,7	937,5	1.093,5	1.139,3	1.291,3	1.252,6	1.265,8	
Less than one month	811,5	1.094,0	1.067,2	836,8	917,7	950,4	944,5	851,0	973,0	1.076,6	1.189,4	1.149,4	1.186,8	
1 month <maturity=<1 td="" year<=""><td>68,8</td><td>131,7</td><td>82,2</td><td>95,4</td><td>102,8</td><td>60,9</td><td>141,2</td><td>86,5</td><td>120,5</td><td>62,6</td><td>101,8</td><td>103,2</td><td>79,0</td></maturity=<1>	68,8	131,7	82,2	95,4	102,8	60,9	141,2	86,5	120,5	62,6	101,8	103,2	79,0	
Long-term deposits	0,8	1,1	1,3	1,7	1,5	1,2	0,9	0,8	0,6	0,8	1,9	1,0	1,4	

a) Data on contracts concluded by banks and specialised credit institutions with non-financial corporations under market conditions in the given month.
 b) The interest rates on the discounted bills were recorded under the short-term loans until December 2001.
 c) Since January 2002 data do not include the amount of repriced contracts.



Differential between short term average deposit and borrowing rates of non-financial corporations



Appendix 3

Forint billions

Household sector forint average borrowing and deposit $\mbox{rates}^{a)}$

		Pe												
		20	D1		2002									
	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	
Loans														
Property loans at market conditions ^{b)}	16,12	15,76	15,76	15,62	15,56	15,15	14,91	14,93	14,81	14,72	13,82	14,09	14,2	
Consumer credit and other loans ^{c)}	19,38	19,61	19,38	20,15	19,82	19,71	18,97	19,09	18,99	19,36	19,31	19,41	19,1	
Short-term consumer credit and other	18,55	18,74	18,30	19,54	18,98	19,05	18,21	18,24	18,35	18,87	18,82	19,02	18,5	
Long-term consumer credit and other	20,76	21,15	21,24	21,43	21,68	20,93	20,73	20,61	20,29	20,28	20,27	20,27	20,4	
Deposits														
Sight deposits	3,16	3,21	3,26	2,92	2,79	2,46	2,24	2,17	2,19	2,22	2,45	2,45	2,4	
Short-term deposits	8,55	8,54	8,39	8,09	7,80	7,54	6,69	6,67	6,68	6,74	6,91	6,93	7,0	
Less than one month	8,35	8,30	8,19	7,94	7,67	7,51	6,58	6,61	6,63	6,69	6,84	6,86	6,9	
1 month <maturity=<3 months<="" td=""><td>9,58</td><td>9,58</td><td>9,52</td><td>8,91</td><td>8,74</td><td>7,81</td><td>7,41</td><td>7,10</td><td>7,04</td><td>7,13</td><td>7,38</td><td>7,37</td><td>7,6</td></maturity=<3>	9,58	9,58	9,52	8,91	8,74	7,81	7,41	7,10	7,04	7,13	7,38	7,37	7,6	
3month <maturity=<1 td="" year<=""><td>8,98</td><td>8,90</td><td>8,61</td><td>8,09</td><td>7,78</td><td>7,52</td><td>7,01</td><td>6,83</td><td>6,84</td><td>6,85</td><td>7,00</td><td>7,12</td><td>7,2</td></maturity=<1>	8,98	8,90	8,61	8,09	7,78	7,52	7,01	6,83	6,84	6,85	7,00	7,12	7,2	
Long-term deposits	8,77	8,73	8,68	8,30	8,24	7,66	7,14	7,02	7,01	7,14	7,08	7,07	7,2	

a) Data on contracts concluded by banks and specialised credit institutions with households under market conditions in the given month. b) Housing loans (building, property, renovation and addition) and other (holiday homes, garages) provided under market conditions with or without mortgage. It does not include state-subsidised loans. c) Includes overdrafts, personal loans, Lombard loans, instalment credit, car purchase loans, non-housing mortgage loans and other loans.

Amount of new business with households^{a)}

		200	01						2002				
	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	Мау	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept
oans													
Property loans at market conditions ^{b)}	7,1	7,7	4,0	4,0	2,8	3,2	3,9	3,7	3,0	3,3	3,4	3,1	2
Consumer credit and other loans ^{c)}	65,3	77,8	72,8	80,6	66,0	69,3	70,3	78,0	76,6	74,3	84,7	74,5	76
Short-term consumer credit and other	40,6	49,8	46,0	54,7	45,4	44,9	49,0	49,9	51,4	48,5	56,2	51,5	53
Long-term consumer credit and other	24,7	28,0	26,8	25,8	20,6	24,4	21,3	28,0	25,2	25,7	28,5	23,0	23
eposits													
Sight deposits	566,0	705,4	602,5	640,4	532,1	467,5	498,0	494,6	517,7	497,4	527,3	525,6	461
Short-term deposits	717,6	764,8	773,8	838,9	869,1	825,7	820,7	850,4	866,3	885,3	923,7	918,2	958
	579.2	598,4	627,5	663,3	702,4	708,2	692,9	721,4	740,5	752,4	780,7	779,1	804
Less than one month	0.01-												
Less than one month 1 month <maturity=<3 months<="" td=""><td>99,6</td><td>122,7</td><td>98,7</td><td>114,7</td><td>99,2</td><td>74,9</td><td>87,9</td><td>79,7</td><td>70,8</td><td>85,8</td><td>96,3</td><td>94,7</td><td>107</td></maturity=<3>	99,6	122,7	98,7	114,7	99,2	74,9	87,9	79,7	70,8	85,8	96,3	94,7	107
		122,7 43,7	98,7 47,6	114,7 60,9	99,2 67,4	74,9 42,6	87,9 39,9	79,7 49,3	70,8 55,0	85,8 47,1	96,3 46,7	94,7 44,3	107 46

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Changes in household sector average interest rate	^{a)} on average APRC ^{b)} of forint loans
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		20	01		2002								
	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	Jul	Aug	Sept
Overdrafts													
Average interest rate	18,98	19,07	18,95	18,90	18,43	18,77	17,78	17,78	17,80	18,25	18,42	18,37	17,96
Average APRC ¹⁾	23,98	24,14	23,82	23,79	22,24	22,96	21,07	21,28	21,07				
Personal loans													
Average interest rate	20,86	23,66	23,12	22,89	22,50	22,12	22,07	22,92	21,99	22,11	22,19	21,89	21,67
Average APRC	26,23	29,78	28,24	27,81	27,67	28,31	28,03	27,70	27,63	27,83	26,47	27,60	27,82
ombard loans		., .				.,							
Average interest rate	17,22	17,64	16,09	16,72	15,87	15,34	15,02	15,07	12,65	14,83	14,98	14,95	15,45
Average APRC	20,59	19,84	18,02	18,17	17,92	17,63	17,44	17,47	14,03	16,90	17,23	17,47	18,32
nstalment credit							,			1 .0,00		,	
Average interest rate	27,90	27,54	27,95	28,97	27,44	28,61	28,05	27,77	28,53	28,69	27,90	27,64	27,83
Average APRC	33,90	34,25	34,54	35,14	35,83	35,71	35,46	34,99	35,40	35,80	36,50	36,68	36,37
Car purchase loans													
Average interest rate	19,76	19,22	18,56	17,93	18,55	18,62	17,61	16,71	16,62	16,06	15,62	15,66	15,78
Average APRC	22,39	20,84	20,31	18,54	20,29	20,78	19,71	18,54	17,93	17,80	17,40	16,79	17,18
Mortgage loans	22,39	20,84	20,31	18,54	20,29	20,78	19,71	18,54	17,95	17,80	17,40	10,79	17,10
Average interest rate	18,61	18,60	18,44	18,59	18,64	18,51	18,20	17,32	17,15	17,10	16,96	16,91	16,98
Average APRC	20,14	19,39	20,85	20,99	22,91	22,60	22,13	22,05	22,08	21,90	21,91	21,77	21,93
Other loans	20,14	19,39	20,05	20,99	22,91	22,00	22,13	22,05	22,00	21,90	21,91	21,77	21,93
Average interest rate c)	16,84	16,41	14,87	14,82	27,30	24,63	22,40	24,89	26,15	22,59	21,24	23,47	23,42
Average APRC ¹	21,50	22,83	24,19	20,57	32,19	29,41	28,04	28,41	30,58				
Total consumer credit loans ^{d)}													
Average interest rate	20,70	21,13	21,39	21,65	21,64	20,73	20,61	20,38	19,79	20,69	20,40	20,35	20,37
Average APRC	24,19	24,17	25,17	25,09	26,69	25,38	25,32	24,96	24,12	25,56	25,21	25,58	25,69
Property loans at market conditions •)													
Average interest rate	16,12	15,76	15,76	15,62	15,56	15,15	14,91	14,93	14,81	14,72	13,82	14,09	14,22
Average APRC					16,74	16,09	15,85	15,87	15,88	15,80	15,02	15,64	16,04
) From May to December 2001, rates on con-	sumer credit and	d other loans co	mprise rates o	n lending to ind	lividuals and sol	le proprietors w	ith a maturity o	f over three mo	nths. As of Jan	uary 2002, rat	es on consume	er credit and	·
other loans apply to the whole household se													
) For the period May to December 2001, APF) The large gap between average interest rate								an three month	s as average r	ates for the ne	riod prior to De	cember 2001	
do not cover loans for terms less than three		types in 2001 a	inu 2002 is exp	nameu by me n	ign rates on our	ler toans tor per	ious shorter th	an unee monus	s, as average i	ates for the pe		scennber 2001	
d) Includes personal loans, Lombard loans, in		car purchase lo	ans, non-housi	ng mortgage lo	ans. It does not	include overdr	afts.						
e) Property loans granted under market terms	do not include s	tate-subsidised	loans.										

Composition of household sector consumer credit and other loans – percentage of shares of loans within total new business ^{a)}

													Percent	
	2001				2002									
	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	Jul	Aug	Szept	
Overdraft	54,06	56,03	52,04	54,15	67,56	66,71	64,23	64,62	65,09	63,44	60,96	65,14	66,17	
Personal loans	11,42	7,87	11,28	6,77	4,42	5,20	6,55	7,39	6,47	6,27	6,84	6,17	6,27	
Lombard loans	1,95	2,19	1,99	1,85	1,45	1,62	1,53	1,63	2,26	1,29	1,02	1,02	1,09	
Instalment credit	6,26	6,58	7,91	9,73	7,49	4,31	4,47	4,48	4,70	5,75	5,51	5,47	5,11	
Car purchase loans	6,23	6,84	7,83	5,63	4,43	3,44	3,38	4,09	6,06	4,55	5,13	4,56	4,22	
Mortgage loans	16,30	16,33	13,03	16,20	8,42	11,31	10,03	9,15	7,61	7,32	6,84	6,52	6,36	
Other loans	3,80	4,16	5,92	5,67	6,24	7,43	9,81	8,65	7,82	11,39	13,70	11,11	10,79	
Total	100,00	100,00	100,00	100,00	100,00	100,00	100,00	100,00	100,00	100,00	100,00	100,00	100,00	

a) For the period of June to December 2001, the table only shows household consumer credit and other loans for terms longer than three months in a breakdown by credit type.