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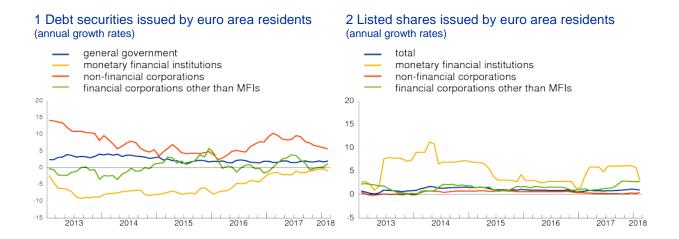
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Euro Area Securities Issues Statistics: February 2018

- The annual growth rate of the <u>outstanding amount of debt securities</u> issued by euro area residents was 1.3% in February 2018, compared with 1.2% in January.
- For the <u>outstanding amount of listed shares</u> issued by euro area residents, the annual growth rate was 0.9% in February 2018, compared with 1.1% in January.

Debt securities

<u>New issuance</u> of debt securities by euro area residents totalled EUR 560.4 billion in February 2018. <u>Redemptions</u> amounted to EUR 544.2 billion and <u>net issues</u> to EUR 16.3 billion. The annual growth rate of <u>outstanding debt securities</u> issued by euro area residents was 1.3% in February 2018, compared with 1.2% in January.



Breakdown by maturity

The annual rate of change of outstanding <u>short-term debt securities</u> decreased from 0.3% in January 2018 to -0.8% in February. For <u>long-term debt securities</u>, the annual growth rate was 1.5% in February 2018, compared with 1.3% in January. The annual growth rate of outstanding <u>fixed rate long-term debt securities</u> increased from 2.9% in January 2018 to 3.2% in February. The annual rate of change of outstanding <u>variable rate long-term debt securities</u> was -5.7% in February 2018, the same as in January.

Breakdown by sector

As regards the sectoral breakdown, the annual growth rate of outstanding <u>debt securities issued by non-financial corporations</u> decreased from 5.9% in January 2018 to 5.6% in February. For the <u>monetary financial institutions (MFIs)</u> sector, this rate of change decreased from -0.4% in January 2018 to -1.0% in February. The annual growth rate of outstanding debt securities issued by <u>financial corporations other than MFIs</u> increased from 0.2% in January 2018 to 1.2% in February. For the <u>general government</u>, this growth rate was 2.0% in February 2018, compared with 1.8% in January.

The annual growth rate of outstanding <u>short-term debt securities issued by MFIs</u> decreased from 4.4% in January 2018 to 3.0% in February. The annual rate of change of outstanding <u>long-term debt securities</u> <u>issued by MFIs</u> decreased from -1.1% in January 2018 to -1.6% in February.

Breakdown by currency

Concerning the currency breakdown, the annual growth rate of outstanding <u>euro-denominated debt securities</u> was 0.9% in February 2018, compared with 1.1% in January. For <u>debt securities in other currencies</u>, this growth rate increased from 1.8% in January 2018 to 3.4% in February.

Listed shares

New issuance of listed shares by euro area residents totalled EUR 11.2 billion in February 2018. Redemptions amounted to EUR 2.3 billion and net issues to EUR 8.9 billion. The annual growth rate of the outstanding amount of listed shares issued by euro area residents (excluding valuation changes) was 0.9% in February 2018, compared with 1.1% in January. The annual growth rate of listed shares issued by non-financial corporations was 0.4% in February 2018, compared with 0.3% in January. For MFIs, the corresponding growth rate decreased from 5.8% in January 2018 to 3.1% in February. For financial corporations other than MFIs, this growth rate was 2.8% in February 2018, compared with 2.7% in January.

The market value of the <u>outstanding amount of listed shares</u> issued by euro area residents totalled EUR 7,924.4 billion at the end of February 2018. Compared with EUR 7,267.9 billion at the end of February 2017, this represents an annual increase of 9.0% in the value of the stock of listed shares in February 2018, down from 15.9% in January.

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Notes:

- Unless otherwise indicated, data relate to non-seasonally adjusted statistics. In addition to the developments for February 2018, this press release incorporates minor revisions to the data for previous periods. The annual growth rates are based on financial transactions that occur when an institutional unit incurs or redeems liabilities, they are not affected by the impact of any other changes which do not arise from transactions.
- Selected statistical data and methodological notes are made available at the statistics section of the ECB's website at http://www.ecb.europa.eu/stats/financial_markets_and_interest_rates/securities_issues/html/index.en.html and a subset is visually presented in "Our statistics" at http://www.euro-area-statistics.org. These data, as well as euro area data in accordance with the composition of the euro area at the time of the reference period, can be downloaded using the ECB's Statistical Data Warehouse (SDW). The tables and charts accompanying this press release are available in the reports section of the SDW (http://sdw.ecb.europa.eu/reports.do?node=1000002753).
- The next press release on euro area securities issues will be published on 15 May 2018.