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## Consolidated financial statement of the Eurosystem as at 15 December 2023

In the week ending 15 December 2023 the net position of the Eurosystem in foreign currency (asset items 2 and 3 minus liability items 7, 8 and 9) decreased by EUR 0.1 billion to EUR 319.5 billion.

The net balance of open market operations and standing facilities (asset item 5 minus liability items 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.5 and 4) increased by EUR 33.3 billion to -EUR 3,031 billion. This was due primarily to the change in the level of the **deposit facility** (liability item 2.2).

Base money (liability items 1, 2.1 and 2.2) fell by EUR 4.9 billion to EUR 5,281.8 billion.

The table below provides the detailed breakdown of **securities held for monetary policy purposes** (asset item 7.1) into the different portfolios. All portfolios are accounted for at amortised cost.

Table 1

Monetary policy securities portfolios	Reported value as at 15 December 2023	Weekly change – purchases <sup>[1]</sup>	Weekly change – redemptions
Securities Markets Programme	EUR 2.4 billion	-	-
Covered bond purchase programme 3	EUR 285.8 billion	-	-EUR 0.1 billion
Asset-backed securities purchase programme	EUR 13.8 billion	-	-EUR 0.1 billion
Public sector purchase programme	EUR 2,407.6 billion	-EUR 0.1 billion	-EUR 4.7 billion
Corporate sector purchase programme	EUR 324.5 billion	-	-EUR 0.5 billion
Pandemic emergency purchase programme	EUR 1,667.3 billion	+EUR 2.7 billion	-EUR 6.3 billion

[1] With the discontinuation of the reinvestments under the asset purchase programme, this column may sometimes show negative amounts. These are expected to be infrequent and would result from sales of securities conducted, for instance, for risk management purposes.

The content and format of the weekly financial statement are set out in Annexes IV to VI of Guideline (EU) 2016/2249 of the European Central Bank of 3 November 2016 on the legal framework for accounting and financial reporting in the European System of Central Banks ([ECB/2016/34](#)).

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(in EUR millions)

<b>Assets</b>	<b>Balance as at 15 December 2023</b>	<b>Difference compared with last week due to transactions</b>	<b>Liabilities</b>	<b>Balance as at 15 December 2023</b>	<b>Difference compared with last week due to transactions</b>
1 Gold and gold receivables	613.311	0	1 Banknotes in circulation	1.556.572	2.290
2 Claims on non-euro area residents denominated in foreign currency	507.615	937	2 Liabilities to euro area credit institutions related to monetary policy operations denominated in euro	3.725.215	-7.173
2.1 Receivables from the IMF	234.104	-10	2.1 Current accounts (covering the minimum reserve system)	191.496	25.912
2.2 Balances with banks and security investments, external loans and other external assets	273.511	947	2.2 Deposit facility	3.533.695	-33.084
3 Claims on euro area residents denominated in foreign currency	14.192	-477	2.3 Fixed-term deposits	0	0
4 Claims on non-euro area residents denominated in euro	15.045	2	2.4 Fine-tuning reverse operations	0	0
4.1 Balances with banks, security investments and loans	15.045	2	2.5 Deposits related to margin calls	24	-1
4.2 Claims arising from the credit facility under ERM II	0	0	3 Other liabilities to euro area credit institutions denominated in euro	36.201	-719
5 Lending to euro area credit institutions related to monetary policy operations denominated in euro	502.721	254	4 Debt certificates issued	0	0
5.1 Main refinancing operations	6.478	-30	5 Liabilities to other euro area residents denominated in euro	259.795	2.584
5.2 Longer-term refinancing operations	495.959	0	5.1 General government	177.546	4.426
5.3 Fine-tuning reverse operations	0	0	5.2 Other liabilities	82.250	-1.842
5.4 Structural reverse operations	0	0	6 Liabilities to non-euro area residents denominated in euro	232.679	-516
5.5 Marginal lending facility	284	284	7 Liabilities to euro area residents denominated in foreign currency	17.327	698
5.6 Credits related to margin calls	0	0	8 Liabilities to non-euro area residents denominated in foreign currency	4.228	-111
6 Other claims on euro area credit institutions denominated in euro	27.010	1.538	8.1 Deposits, balances and other liabilities	4.228	-111
7 Securities of euro area residents denominated in euro	4.905.674	-7.913	8.2 Liabilities arising from the credit facility under ERM II	0	0
7.1 Securities held for monetary policy purposes	4.701.403	-9.080	9 Counterpart of special drawing rights allocated by the IMF	180.715	0
7.2 Other securities	204.270	1.167	10 Other liabilities	250.246	-3.120
8 General government debt denominated in euro	20.984	-1	11 Revaluation accounts	604.185	0
9 Other assets	380.855	-406	12 Capital and reserves	120.242	0
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>6.987.406</b>	<b>-6.066</b>	<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>6.987.406</b>	<b>-6.066</b>

Totals / sub-totals may not add up owing to rounding.