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Consolidated financial statement of the Eurosystem as at 17 December 2021

In the week ending 17 December 2021 the net position of the Eurosystem in foreign currency (asset items 2 and 3 minus liability items 7, 8 and 9) decreased by EUR 0.2 billion to EUR 321.2 billion.

As a result of the Eurosystem's open market operations and standing facilities, net lending to credit institutions (asset item 5 minus liability items 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.5 and 4) increased by EUR 27.1 billion to EUR 1,448.3 billion, mainly owing to the change in the level of the **deposit facility** (liability item 2.2).

Base money (liability items 1, 2.1 and 2.2) decreased by EUR 90.1 billion to EUR 6,036.8 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.

Monetary policy securities portfolios	Reported value as at 17 December 2021	Weekly change – purchases	Weekly change – redemptions
Covered bond purchase programme 1	EUR 0.4 billion	-	-
Securities Markets Programme	EUR 6.5 billion	-	-
Covered bond purchase programme 2	EUR 2.4 billion	-	-
Covered bond purchase programme 3	EUR 298.5 billion	+EUR 0.3 billion	-EUR 0.9 billion
Asset-backed securities purchase programme	EUR 29.0 billion	+EUR 0.0 billion	-EUR 0.2 billion
Public sector purchase programme	EUR 2,489.4 billion	+EUR 5.7 billion	-EUR 4.0 billion
Corporate sector purchase programme	EUR 309.9 billion	+EUR 1.8 billion	-EUR 0.6 billion
Pandemic emergency purchase programme	EUR 1,577.6 billion	+EUR 19.5 billion	-EUR 7.7 billion

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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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Assets	Balance as at 17 December 2021	Difference compared with last week due to transactions
1 Gold and gold receivables	517,933	0
2 Claims on non-euro area residents denominated in foreign currency	490,582	-354
2.1 Receivables from the IMF	215,271	68
2.2 Balances with banks and security investments, external loans and other external assets	275,310	-422
3 Claims on euro area residents denominated in foreign currency	24,390	-168
4 Claims on non-euro area residents denominated in euro	11,647	122
4.1 Balances with banks, security investments and loans	11,647	122
4.2 Claims arising from the credit facility under ERM II	0	0
5 Lending to euro area credit institutions related to monetary policy operations denominated in euro	2,209,808	976
5.1 Main refinancing operations	97	-98
5.2 Longer-term refinancing operations	2,209,711	1,090
5.3 Fine-tuning reverse operations	0	0
5.4 Structural reverse operations	0	0
5.5 Marginal lending facility	0	-16
5.6 Credits related to margin calls	0	0
6 Other claims on euro area credit institutions denominated in euro	32,038	2,116
7 Securities of euro area residents denominated in euro	4,885,880	11,020
7.1 Securities held for monetary policy purposes	4,713,719	13,835
7.2 Other securities	172,161	-2,816
8 General government debt denominated in euro	22,152	-1
9 Other assets	317,032	1,117
Total assets	8,511,461	14,828

Liabilities	Balance as at 17 December 2021	Difference compared with last week due to transactions
1 Banknotes in circulation	1,534,256	6,04
2 Liabilities to euro area credit institutions related to monetary policy operations denominated in euro	4,504,662	-96,14
2.1 Current accounts (covering the minimum reserve system)	3,743,172	-70,06
2.2 Deposit facility	759,337	-26,05
2.3 Fixed-term deposits	0	
2.4 Fine-tuning reverse operations	0	
2.5 Deposits related to margin calls	2,153	-1
3 Other liabilities to euro area credit institutions denominated in euro	51,420	7,68
4 Debt certificates issued	0	
5 Liabilities to other euro area residents denominated in euro	760,021	21,55
5.1 General government	616,792	4,19
5.2 Other liabilities	143,229	17,35
6 Liabilities to non-euro area residents denominated in euro	531,699	76,55
7 Liabilities to euro area residents denominated in foreign currency	13,822	-34
8 Liabilities to non-euro area residents denominated in foreign currency	3,841	-1
8.1 Deposits, balances and other liabilities	3,841	-1
8.2 Liabilities arising from the credit facility under ERM II	0	
9 Counterpart of special drawing rights allocated by the IMF	176,130	
10 Other liabilities	320,358	-49
11 Revaluation accounts	505,979	
12 Capital and reserves	109,272	
Fotal liabilities	8,511,461	14,82

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

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