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In the twelve months ending in January 2009 the current account deficit continued to grow, reaching €50.8 billion. The bulk of the deficit was recorded under income (€30.1 billion) and, to a lesser extent, current transfers and services. The goods account was balanced (€0.5 billion; Figure 1).

In January, residents made further net disposals of foreign portfolio securities, amounting to €7.4 billion, compared with large net inward portfolio investment amounting to €11.6 billion. In the twelve months ending in January the balance on portfolio investment showed net inflows of €120.4 billion, sharply up with respect to the previous year (Figure 2).

In January, Italian direct investment abroad totalled €1.8 billion, compared with inward direct investment of €1.3 billion. In the twelve months ending in January the balance showed net outflows of €22.1 billion, slightly smaller than in the previous year (Figure 3).

At the end of September 2008 Italy had a debtor international investment position of €135.3 billion (8.6 per cent of GDP), larger than in June (Figure 4).

Table A

Balance of payments

(millions of euros)

| | January 2008 | | | January 2009 | | | February 2007 - January 2008 | | | February 2008 - January 2009 | | |
|------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------------------|----------------|----------------|------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | Credits | Debits | Balance | Credits | Debits | Balance | Credits | Debits | Balance | Credits | Debits | Balance |
| Current account | 43,457 | 49,575 | -6,118 | (32,999) | (40,247) | (-7,248) | 536,764 | 574,743 | -37,979 | (535,224) | (585,979) | (-50,775) |
| Goods | 29,870 | 32,623 | -2,753 | (21,797) | (24,926) | (-3,129) | 369,483 | 367,030 | 2,453 | (367,451) | (366,966) | (485) |
| Services | 6,370 | 7,180 | -810 | (4,889) | (6,308) | (-1,419) | 82,378 | 88,723 | -6,345 | (82,556) | (91,134) | (-8,578) |
| Income | 5,478 | 7,153 | -1,675 | (4,458) | (6,704) | (-2,246) | 65,329 | 85,236 | -19,907 | (65,980) | (96,052) | (-30,072) |
| Current transfers | 1,739 | 2,619 | -880 | (1,855) | (2,309) | (-454) | 19,573 | 33,753 | -14,180 | (19,237) | (31,827) | (-12,590) |
| Capital account | 417 | 95 | 322 | (441) | (100) | (341) | 4,183 | 1,446 | 2,737 | (4,776) | (1,425) | (3,342) |
| | Assets | Liabilities | Balance | Assets | Liabilities | Balance | Assets | Liabilities | Balance | Assets | Liabilities | Balance |
| Financial account (*) | - | - | 4,907 | - | - | (4,025) | - | - | 28,674 | - | - | (44,098) |
| Direct investment | -1,112 | 1,322 | 210 | (-1,823) | (1,264) | (-559) | -52,430 | 29,259 | -23,171 | (-31,151) | (9,025) | (-22,126) |
| Portfolio investment | 10,565 | 10,775 | 21,340 | (7,439) | (11,600) | (19,039) | 16,654 | 32,335 | 49,189 | (77,196) | (43,150) | (120,346) |
| Derivatives | -1,326 | 1,267 | -59 | (-605) | (602) | (-3) | -5,811 | 5,613 | -198 | (-6,319) | (13,176) | (6,857) |
| Other investment..... | -17,094 | 1,357 | -15,737 | (-27,706) | (13,107) | (-14,599) | -84,478 | 88,765 | 4,287 | (-37,857) | (-18,543) | (-56,400) |
| Reserve assets (**)..... | -847 | - | -847 | (147) | - | (147) | -1,433 | - | -1,433 | (-4,579) | - | (-4,579) |
| Errors and omissions | - | - | 889 | - | - | (2,882) | - | - | 6,568 | - | - | (3,316) |

(*) Assets refer to Italian capital and liabilities refer to foreign capital.

(**) A plus sign indicates a reduction in reserve assets. A minus sign indicates an increase in reserve assets.

NOTES ON THE DATA. Data updated to 18 March 2009.

Figure 1

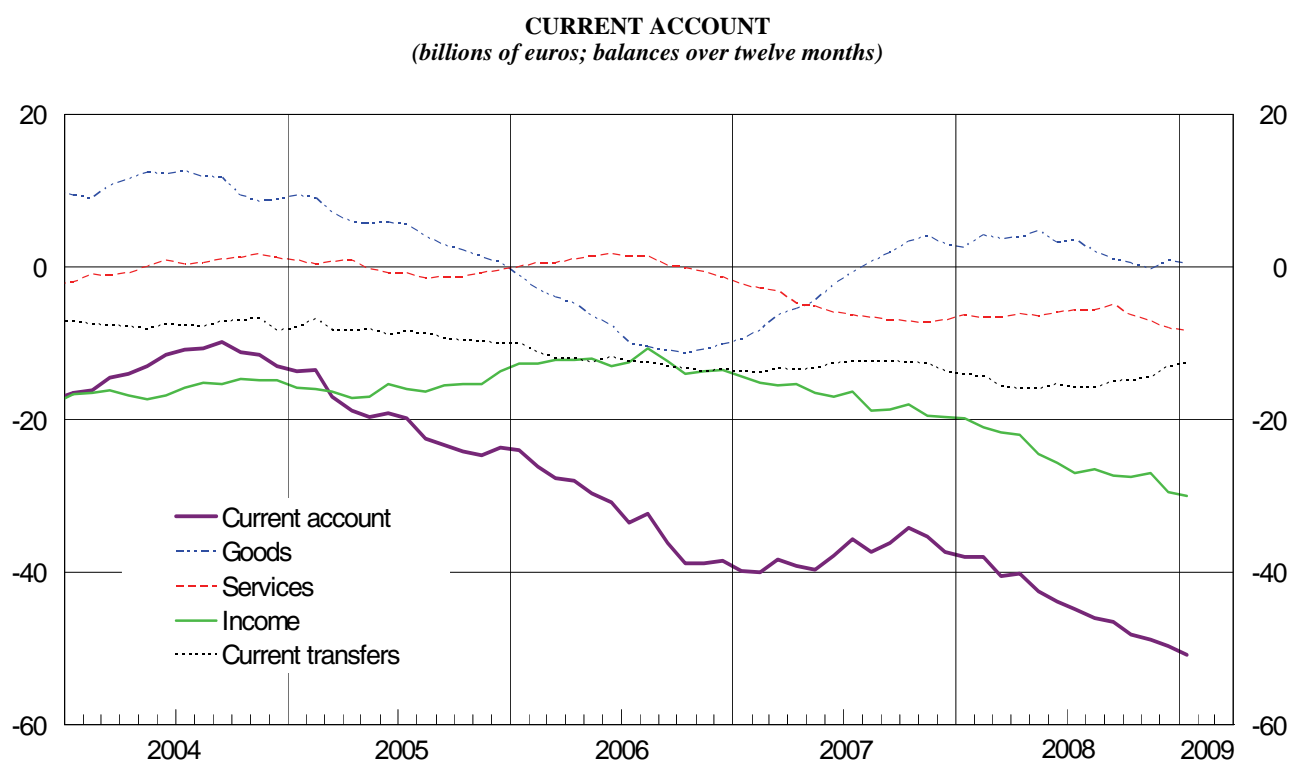
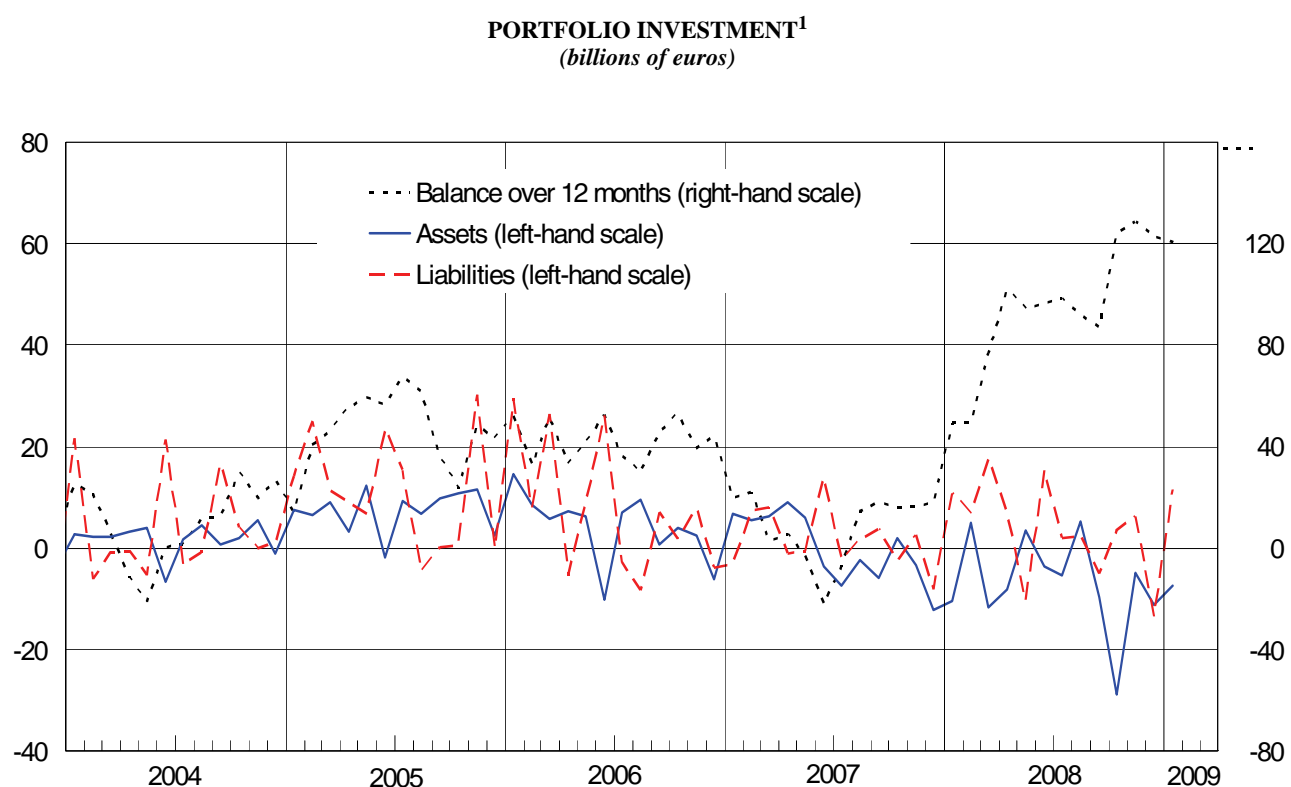
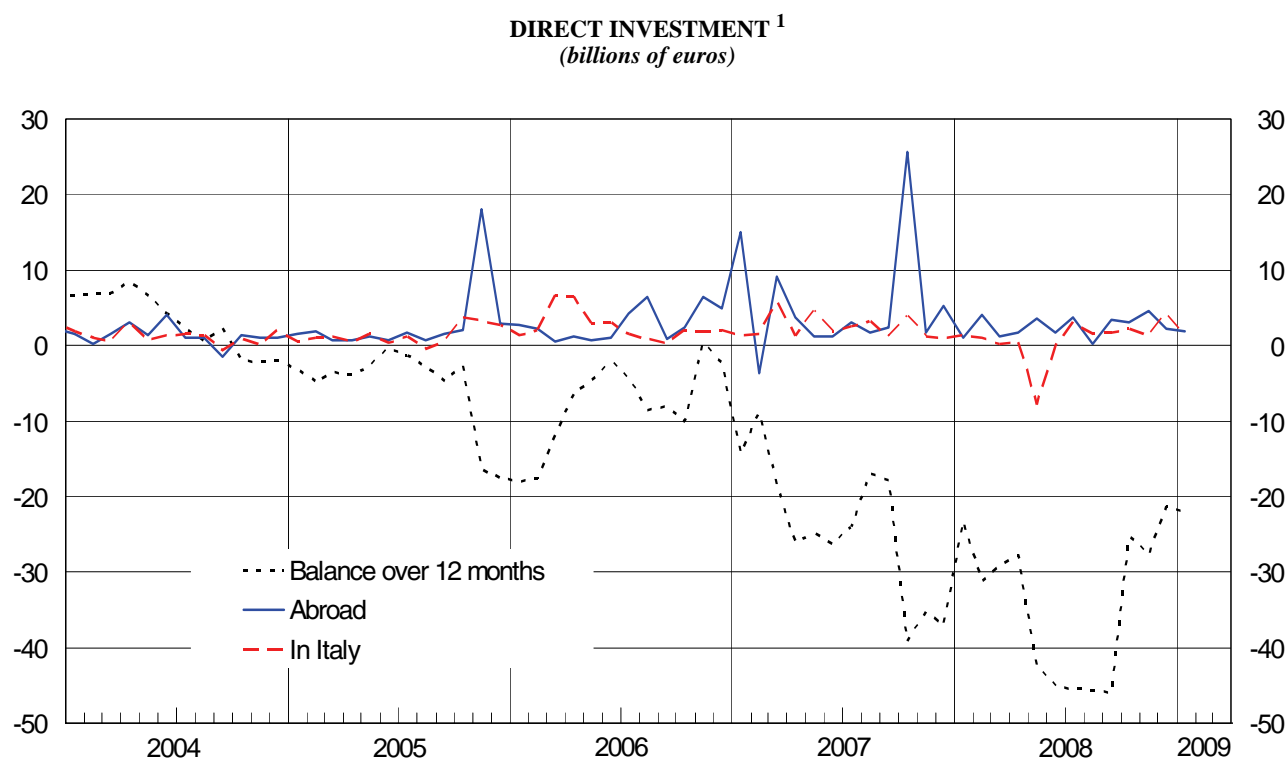


Figure 2



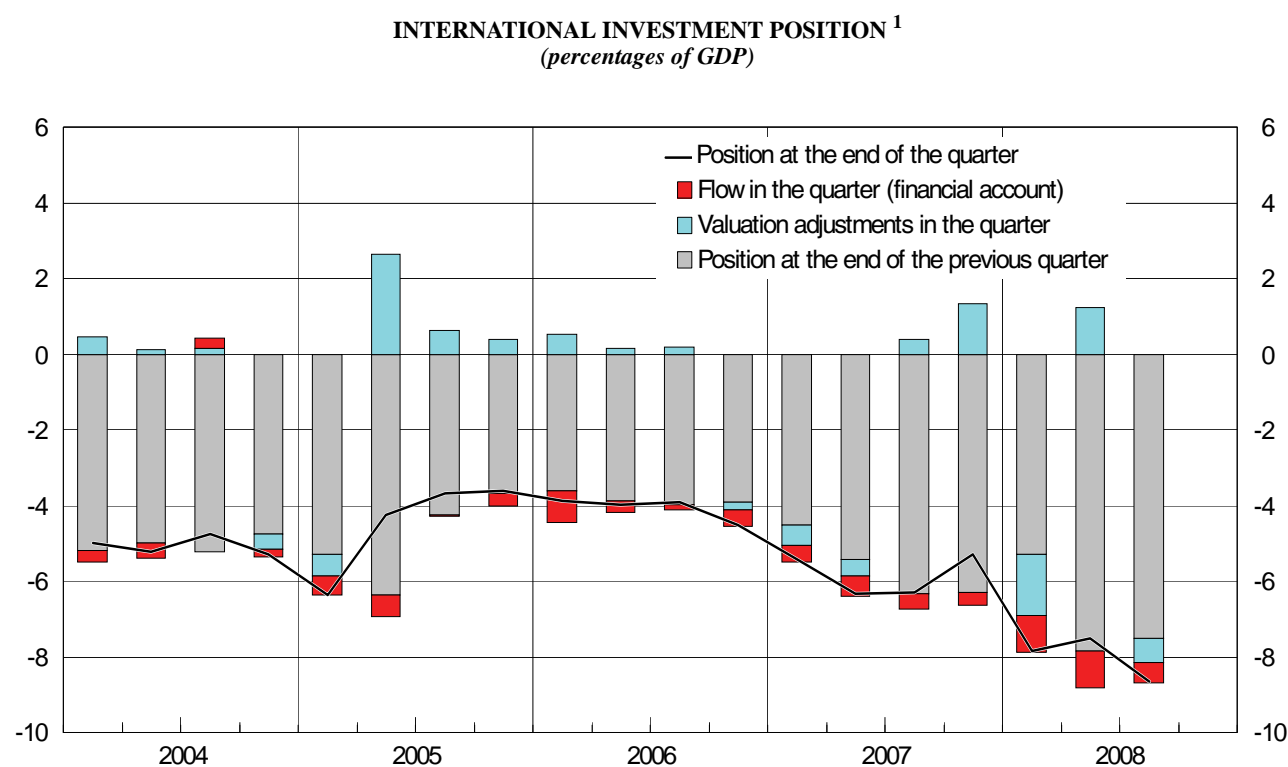
(1) For assets, inverse sign with respect to the balance-of-payments convention: a positive figure corresponds to net investment by residents.

Figure 3



(1) For assets, inverse sign with respect to the balance-of-payments convention: a positive figure corresponds to net investment by residents.

Figure 4



(1) The position at the end of the quarter is equal to the position at the end of the previous quarter adjusted for the flows on the financial account during the quarter and for valuation adjustments.

Balance of payments and international investment position

Table 1a
TBDE0230

Balance of payments: balances

(millions of euros)

| | Current account | Capital account | Total current account and capital account | Financial account | | Errors and omissions |
|---------------------|-----------------|-----------------|---|-------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|
| | | | | | of which: reserve assets | |
| | S855290M | S870662M | S682972M | S733098M | S662568M | S744232M |
| 2006 | -38,506 | 1,890 | -36,616 | 25,400 | 443 | 11,216 |
| 2007 | -37,366 | 2,674 | -34,692 | 26,138 | -1,524 | 8,554 |
| 2008 | (-49,625) | (3,322) | (-46,303) | (44,980) | (-5,573) | (1,323) |
| 2006 - 4th qtr..... | -9,034 | 1,136 | -7,898 | 6,710 | 245 | 1,188 |
| 2007 - 1st qtr..... | -12,471 | 1,132 | -11,339 | 6,257 | -1,090 | 5,082 |
| 2nd " | -10,186 | -32 | -10,218 | 8,021 | -1,904 | 2,197 |
| 3rd " | -4,515 | 572 | -3,943 | 6,212 | 370 | -2,269 |
| 4th " | -10,194 | 1,002 | -9,192 | 5,648 | 1,099 | 3,544 |
| 2008 - 1st qtr..... | -15,683 | 1,224 | -14,458 | 15,120 | 54 | -662 |
| 2nd " | -13,390 | 873 | -12,517 | 14,690 | -2,434 | -2,173 |
| 3rd " | -7,179 | 209 | -6,969 | 8,136 | -1,617 | -1,166 |
| 4th " | (-13,374) | (1,016) | (-12,358) | (7,034) | (-1,576) | (5,324) |
| 2007 - Jan. | -5,505 | 259 | -5,246 | 2,372 | -937 | 2,874 |
| Feb. | -3,474 | 266 | -3,208 | 1,161 | -153 | 2,048 |
| Mar. | -3,492 | 607 | -2,885 | 2,724 | 1 | 160 |
| Apr. | -4,725 | -4 | -4,729 | 1,501 | -169 | 3,228 |
| May | -4,358 | 18 | -4,340 | 2,919 | -317 | 1,421 |
| June | -1,103 | -46 | -1,149 | 3,601 | -1,418 | -2,453 |
| July | 2,351 | 35 | 2,386 | -2,576 | 363 | 189 |
| Aug. | -2,881 | 36 | -2,845 | 1,931 | 637 | 914 |
| Sept..... | -3,985 | 500 | -3,485 | 6,857 | -630 | -3,372 |
| Oct. | -1,274 | 65 | -1,208 | -4,096 | 113 | 5,304 |
| Nov. | -3,884 | 153 | -3,731 | 3,298 | -984 | 433 |
| Dec. | -5,036 | 784 | -4,253 | 6,446 | 1,970 | -2,193 |
| 2008 - Jan. | -6,118 | 322 | -5,796 | 4,907 | -847 | 889 |
| Feb. | -3,416 | 275 | -3,141 | 1,211 | 344 | 1,929 |
| Mar. | -6,149 | 627 | -5,522 | 9,002 | 557 | -3,480 |
| Apr. | -4,365 | 22 | -4,343 | -1,834 | -2,079 | 6,176 |
| May | -6,572 | 38 | -6,534 | 11,661 | -259 | -5,127 |
| June | -2,453 | 813 | -1,641 | 4,863 | -96 | -3,222 |
| July | 1,262 | 33 | 1,295 | -6,785 | 44 | 5,490 |
| Aug. | -4,039 | 45 | -3,994 | 8,921 | -203 | -4,927 |
| Sept..... | -4,402 | 131 | -4,271 | 6,000 | -1,458 | -1,729 |
| Oct. | -3,050 | 96 | -2,953 | 1,676 | -902 | 1,278 |
| Nov. | -4,572 | 83 | -4,489 | 1,021 | -249 | 3,468 |
| Dec. | (-5,752) | (836) | (-4,916) | (4,338) | (-424) | (578) |
| 2009 - Jan. | (-7,248) | (341) | (-6,907) | (4,025) | (147) | (2,882) |

Balance of payments and international investment position

Table 1b

TBDE0050

Balance of payments: credits and debits

(millions of euros)

| | Credits | | | Debits | | |
|---------------------|-----------------|-----------------|---|-----------------|-----------------|---|
| | Current account | Capital account | Total current account and capital account | Current account | Capital account | Total current account and capital account |
| | S227306M | S099267M | S193858M | S608963M | S487842M | S569871M |
| 2006..... | 486,589 | 4,398 | 490,987 | 525,095 | 2,508 | 527,603 |
| 2007..... | 532,105 | 4,143 | 536,248 | 569,471 | 1,469 | 570,940 |
| 2008..... | (545,682) | (4,742) | (550,424) | (595,308) | (1,420) | (596,727) |
| 2006 - 4th qtr..... | 127,298 | 1,694 | 128,992 | 136,331 | 558 | 136,890 |
| 2007 - 1st qtr..... | 126,819 | 1,423 | 128,241 | 139,290 | 291 | 139,580 |
| 2nd "..... | 133,575 | 380 | 133,955 | 143,761 | 412 | 144,174 |
| 3rd "..... | 135,067 | 914 | 135,981 | 139,582 | 342 | 139,924 |
| 4th "..... | 136,644 | 1,426 | 138,070 | 146,838 | 424 | 147,262 |
| 2008 - 1st qtr..... | 132,745 | 1,545 | 134,290 | 148,428 | 321 | 148,748 |
| 2nd "..... | 143,976 | 1,244 | 145,220 | 157,366 | 371 | 157,737 |
| 3rd "..... | 138,521 | 607 | 139,129 | 145,700 | 398 | 146,098 |
| 4th "..... | (130,440) | (1,346) | (131,786) | (143,814) | (330) | (144,144) |
| 2007 - Jan. | 38,798 | 377 | 39,175 | 44,304 | 118 | 44,421 |
| Feb. | 41,244 | 367 | 41,611 | 44,718 | 102 | 44,820 |
| Mar. | 46,777 | 678 | 47,455 | 50,268 | 71 | 50,339 |
| Apr. | 40,395 | 98 | 40,493 | 45,121 | 101 | 45,222 |
| May | 44,828 | 95 | 44,923 | 49,186 | 77 | 49,263 |
| June | 48,352 | 188 | 48,540 | 49,455 | 234 | 49,689 |
| July | 53,356 | 138 | 53,494 | 51,005 | 103 | 51,108 |
| Aug. | 37,853 | 117 | 37,970 | 40,734 | 80 | 40,814 |
| Sept. | 43,858 | 659 | 44,517 | 47,843 | 159 | 48,002 |
| Oct. | 48,842 | 193 | 49,036 | 50,116 | 128 | 50,244 |
| Nov. | 44,869 | 263 | 45,132 | 48,753 | 110 | 48,863 |
| Dec. | 42,933 | 969 | 43,902 | 47,969 | 186 | 48,155 |
| 2008 - Jan. | 43,457 | 417 | 43,874 | 49,575 | 95 | 49,670 |
| Feb. | 44,070 | 389 | 44,459 | 47,486 | 114 | 47,600 |
| Mar. | 45,218 | 739 | 45,957 | 51,366 | 112 | 51,479 |
| Apr. | 46,891 | 104 | 46,995 | 51,256 | 81 | 51,338 |
| May | 47,932 | 109 | 48,041 | 54,504 | 70 | 54,574 |
| June | 49,153 | 1,031 | 50,184 | 51,606 | 219 | 51,825 |
| July | 54,308 | 115 | 54,424 | 53,046 | 82 | 53,129 |
| Aug. | 36,996 | 126 | 37,122 | 41,034 | 81 | 41,115 |
| Sept. | 47,217 | 366 | 47,583 | 51,619 | 234 | 51,854 |
| Oct. | 48,640 | 199 | 48,839 | 51,690 | 103 | 51,792 |
| Nov. | 40,409 | 173 | 40,582 | 44,981 | 90 | 45,071 |
| Dec. | (41,391) | (974) | (42,365) | (47,143) | (138) | (47,281) |
| 2009 - Jan. | (32,999) | (441) | (33,440) | (40,247) | (100) | (40,347) |

Balance of payments and international investment position

Table 2a

TBDE0060

Current account and capital account: balances

(millions of euros)

| | Current account | | | | | | | Capital account | | | |
|----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|---|-----------------|-------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------------|
| | Goods | Services | Income | Transfers | | | | Intangible assets | Transfers | | |
| | | | | Private | | Public | | | Private | Public | |
| | | | | | <i>of which: emigrants' remittances</i> | | <i>of which: EU</i> | | | | <i>of which: EU</i> |
| | <i>S502277M</i> | <i>S516883M</i> | <i>S700816M</i> | <i>S784487M</i> | <i>S797134M</i> | <i>S767502M</i> | <i>S803961M</i> | <i>S844803M</i> | <i>S828733M</i> | <i>S810276M</i> | <i>S849848M</i> |
| 2006 | -10,203 | -1,272 | -13,573 | -5,473 | -4,281 | -7,985 | -8,304 | -100 | -60 | 2,050 | 3,848 |
| 2007 | 2,941 | -6,978 | -19,675 | -6,762 | -5,792 | -6,891 | -7,955 | -69 | 71 | 2,671 | 3,675 |
| 2008 | (861) | (-7,969) | (-29,501) | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| 2006 - 4th qtr. | 143 | -1,732 | -3,695 | -1,549 | -1,268 | -2,200 | -2,383 | 26 | 14 | 1,096 | 1,539 |
| 2007 - 1st qtr. | -2,133 | -3,345 | -4,077 | -1,278 | -1,139 | -1,638 | -2,053 | -1 | 29 | 1,104 | 1,304 |
| 2nd " | 1,044 | -1,091 | -8,184 | -1,742 | -1,445 | -213 | -702 | -27 | -15 | 10 | 319 |
| 3rd " | 2,807 | -871 | -2,724 | -1,620 | -1,514 | -2,106 | -2,296 | 25 | -30 | 577 | 805 |
| 4th " | 1,223 | -1,671 | -4,689 | -2,123 | -1,693 | -2,934 | -2,903 | -65 | 87 | 980 | 1,247 |
| 2008 - 1st qtr. | -1,482 | -3,100 | -6,135 | -2,029 | -1,507 | -2,936 | -3,089 | 23 | -21 | 1,223 | 1,443 |
| 2nd " | 641 | -318 | -12,131 | -1,524 | -1,568 | -58 | -474 | -26 | 14 | 885 | 1,157 |
| 3rd " | 586 | 100 | -4,427 | -1,856 | -1,440 | -1,583 | -1,752 | -2 | 6 | 205 | 532 |
| 4th " | (1,116) | (-4,651) | (-6,808) | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| 2007 - Jan. | -2,265 | -1,444 | -1,443 | -524 | -379 | 170 | -58 | -3 | 10 | 252 | 329 |
| Feb. | -892 | -822 | -1,209 | -174 | -342 | -377 | -405 | -6 | 8 | 263 | 339 |
| Mar. | 1,024 | -1,079 | -1,426 | -579 | -418 | -1,432 | -1,591 | 7 | 11 | 589 | 636 |
| Apr. | -635 | -896 | -2,095 | -516 | -451 | -584 | -713 | -8 | .. | 5 | 77 |
| May | 319 | -209 | -3,470 | -541 | -505 | -456 | -702 | -18 | -4 | 40 | 75 |
| June | 1,360 | 14 | -2,619 | -685 | -489 | 827 | 713 | .. | -10 | -35 | 167 |
| July | 3,078 | 313 | -230 | -525 | -475 | -285 | -744 | 21 | -21 | 35 | 87 |
| Aug. | 320 | -1,053 | -1,100 | -459 | -472 | -589 | -735 | .. | 5 | 31 | 91 |
| Sept. | -591 | -131 | -1,394 | -637 | -567 | -1,232 | -818 | 3 | -14 | 511 | 627 |
| Oct. | 1,591 | -82 | -1,512 | -797 | -607 | -474 | -664 | -47 | 1 | 111 | 167 |
| Nov. | 693 | -923 | -2,502 | -668 | -577 | -485 | -661 | -11 | 81 | 83 | 152 |
| Dec. | -1,061 | -667 | -675 | -658 | -509 | -1,975 | -1,579 | -7 | 4 | 786 | 928 |
| 2008 - Jan. | -2,753 | -810 | -1,675 | -607 | -493 | -273 | -300 | 9 | 23 | 290 | 350 |
| Feb. | 771 | -1,174 | -2,228 | -464 | -437 | -321 | -520 | 17 | -32 | 290 | 360 |
| Mar. | 500 | -1,116 | -2,232 | -958 | -578 | -2,342 | -2,269 | -4 | -12 | 643 | 733 |
| Apr. | -347 | -320 | -2,310 | -755 | -547 | -633 | -722 | -14 | -6 | 43 | 80 |
| May | 1,075 | -562 | -6,010 | -557 | -516 | -518 | -712 | -4 | 1 | 41 | 77 |
| June | -87 | 564 | -3,812 | -212 | -504 | 1,094 | 960 | -7 | 19 | 801 | 1,000 |
| July | 3,380 | 684 | -1,554 | -741 | -514 | -507 | -793 | -10 | -5 | 47 | 95 |
| Aug. | -1,191 | -1,104 | -596 | -512 | -438 | -635 | -739 | -1 | 10 | 36 | 98 |
| Sept. | -1,603 | 521 | -2,277 | -603 | -489 | -440 | -220 | 9 | .. | 122 | 339 |
| Oct. | 1,048 | -1,438 | -1,580 | -513 | -567 | -567 | .... | -1 | -10 | 107 | .... |
| Nov. | -106 | -1,674 | -2,037 | -519 | -504 | -237 | .... | -7 | -5 | 95 | .... |
| Dec. | (174) | (-1,539) | (-3,191) | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| 2009 - Jan. | (-3,129) | (-1,419) | (-2,246) | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |

Balance of payments and international investment position

Table 2b

TBDE0070

Current account and capital account: credits

(millions of euros)

| | Current account | | | | | | | Capital account | | | |
|----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|---|-----------------|-------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------------|
| | Goods | Services | Income | Transfers | | | | Intangible assets | Transfers | | |
| | | | | Private | | Public | | | Private | Public | |
| | | | | | <i>of which: emigrants' remittances</i> | | <i>of which: EU</i> | | | | <i>of which: EU</i> |
| | <i>S755600M</i> | <i>S771222M</i> | <i>S959973M</i> | <i>S026900M</i> | <i>S040225M</i> | <i>S010631M</i> | <i>S088769M</i> | <i>S084704M</i> | <i>S071536M</i> | <i>S058299M</i> | <i>S133079M</i> |
| 2006 | 332,758 | 78,736 | 57,477 | 7,858 | 248 | 9,760 | 6,174 | 171 | 379 | 3,848 | 3,848 |
| 2007 | 366,400 | 81,613 | 63,989 | 7,962 | 252 | 12,140 | 6,453 | 167 | 301 | 3,675 | 3,675 |
| 2008 | (375,524) | (84,037) | (67,000) | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| 2006 - 4th qtr. | 89,519 | 17,972 | 15,883 | 1,807 | 65 | 2,116 | 984 | 66 | 90 | 1,539 | 1,539 |
| 2007 - 1st qtr. | 90,333 | 17,381 | 13,177 | 2,090 | 59 | 3,838 | 2,407 | 33 | 85 | 1,304 | 1,304 |
| 2nd " | 93,163 | 20,511 | 14,946 | 1,864 | 69 | 3,091 | 1,694 | 25 | 36 | 319 | 319 |
| 3rd " | 88,813 | 23,959 | 17,609 | 2,085 | 64 | 2,601 | 1,151 | 64 | 44 | 805 | 805 |
| 4th " | 94,091 | 19,761 | 18,257 | 1,924 | 61 | 2,611 | 1,201 | 44 | 135 | 1,247 | 1,247 |
| 2008 - 1st qtr. | 94,961 | 17,742 | 14,980 | 1,671 | 48 | 3,391 | 2,275 | 56 | 46 | 1,443 | 1,443 |
| 2nd " | 99,018 | 21,403 | 17,817 | 2,141 | 45 | 3,598 | 2,415 | 27 | 60 | 1,157 | 1,157 |
| 3rd " | 91,771 | 25,695 | 17,387 | 1,686 | 44 | 1,982 | 724 | 28 | 47 | 532 | 532 |
| 4th " | (89,774) | (19,196) | (16,816) | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| 2007 - Jan. | 26,787 | 5,605 | 4,138 | 621 | 19 | 1,648 | 1,090 | 8 | 40 | 329 | 329 |
| Feb. | 29,196 | 5,658 | 4,289 | 778 | 20 | 1,324 | 993 | 8 | 21 | 339 | 339 |
| Mar. | 34,350 | 6,118 | 4,751 | 691 | 20 | 866 | 324 | 18 | 24 | 636 | 636 |
| Apr. | 28,228 | 6,359 | 4,629 | 599 | 21 | 580 | 186 | 12 | 9 | 77 | 77 |
| May | 31,978 | 6,879 | 4,642 | 647 | 25 | 682 | 199 | 4 | 16 | 75 | 75 |
| June | 32,957 | 7,273 | 5,675 | 618 | 23 | 1,830 | 1,309 | 10 | 11 | 167 | 167 |
| July | 35,199 | 8,850 | 7,420 | 824 | 26 | 1,063 | 355 | 36 | 15 | 87 | 87 |
| Aug. | 23,818 | 7,917 | 4,740 | 631 | 18 | 747 | 361 | 10 | 16 | 91 | 91 |
| Sept. | 29,796 | 7,193 | 5,449 | 630 | 19 | 790 | 435 | 19 | 13 | 627 | 627 |
| Oct. | 34,607 | 7,180 | 5,568 | 656 | 21 | 831 | 353 | 15 | 11 | 167 | 167 |
| Nov. | 32,769 | 5,809 | 4,921 | 622 | 18 | 747 | 361 | 9 | 102 | 152 | 152 |
| Dec. | 26,715 | 6,772 | 7,767 | 646 | 21 | 1,033 | 487 | 20 | 22 | 928 | 928 |
| 2008 - Jan. | 29,870 | 6,370 | 5,478 | 530 | 19 | 1,210 | 899 | 31 | 36 | 350 | 350 |
| Feb. | 32,108 | 5,492 | 4,410 | 594 | 14 | 1,467 | 978 | 22 | 6 | 360 | 360 |
| Mar. | 32,983 | 5,881 | 5,092 | 548 | 15 | 714 | 398 | 3 | 3 | 733 | 733 |
| Apr. | 33,503 | 6,571 | 5,716 | 582 | 14 | 520 | 177 | 12 | 11 | 80 | 80 |
| May | 33,809 | 6,977 | 5,926 | 616 | 15 | 604 | 187 | 10 | 21 | 77 | 77 |
| June | 31,706 | 7,855 | 6,175 | 944 | 16 | 2,473 | 2,051 | 4 | 27 | 1,000 | 1,000 |
| July | 37,649 | 9,216 | 5,898 | 654 | 18 | 891 | 356 | 6 | 14 | 95 | 95 |
| Aug. | 21,935 | 7,794 | 6,104 | 470 | 13 | 693 | 359 | 6 | 22 | 98 | 98 |
| Sept. | 32,187 | 8,685 | 5,386 | 562 | 14 | 398 | 9 | 16 | 11 | 339 | 339 |
| Oct. | 34,188 | 7,298 | 5,650 | 771 | 24 | 733 | .... | 19 | 15 | 165 | .... |
| Nov. | 28,435 | 5,652 | 4,628 | 586 | 15 | 1,107 | .... | 6 | 7 | 160 | .... |
| Dec. | (27,151) | (6,246) | (6,538) | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| 2009 - Jan. | (21,797) | (4,889) | (4,458) | | | | | | | | |

Balance of payments and international investment position

Table 2c

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Current account and capital accounts: debits

(millions of euros)

| | Current account | | | | | | | Capital account | | | |
|----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|---|-----------------|-------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------------|
| | Goods | Services | Income | Transfers | | | | Intangible assets | Transfers | | |
| | | | | Private | | Public | | | Private | Public | |
| | | | | | <i>of which: emigrants' remittances</i> | | <i>of which: EU</i> | | | | <i>of which: EU</i> |
| | <i>S111106M</i> | <i>S123934M</i> | <i>S300284M</i> | <i>S415133M</i> | <i>S427015M</i> | <i>S362636M</i> | <i>S445875M</i> | <i>S472884M</i> | <i>S457176M</i> | <i>S443062M</i> | <i>S505331M</i> |
| 2006 | 342,961 | 80,008 | 71,050 | 13,331 | 4,529 | 17,745 | 14,478 | 272 | 439 | 1,798 | ... |
| 2007 | 363,459 | 88,591 | 83,664 | 14,724 | 6,044 | 19,032 | 14,408 | 236 | 229 | 1,004 | ... |
| 2008 | (374,663) | (92,006) | (96,501) | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| 2006 - 4th qtr. | 89,376 | 19,705 | 19,579 | 3,356 | 1,333 | 4,316 | 3,367 | 39 | 76 | 443 | ... |
| 2007 - 1st qtr. | 92,466 | 20,726 | 17,255 | 3,367 | 1,198 | 5,476 | 4,460 | 35 | 56 | 200 | ... |
| 2nd " | 92,119 | 21,602 | 23,131 | 3,605 | 1,514 | 3,304 | 2,396 | 52 | 51 | 309 | ... |
| 3rd " | 86,006 | 24,830 | 20,333 | 3,705 | 1,578 | 4,708 | 3,447 | 40 | 74 | 228 | ... |
| 4th " | 92,868 | 21,433 | 22,946 | 4,047 | 1,754 | 5,544 | 4,104 | 109 | 48 | 267 | ... |
| 2008 - 1st qtr. | 96,443 | 20,843 | 21,115 | 3,701 | 1,555 | 6,327 | 5,364 | 33 | 67 | 220 | ... |
| 2nd " | 98,377 | 21,721 | 29,948 | 3,665 | 1,613 | 3,655 | 2,889 | 53 | 46 | 272 | ... |
| 3rd " | 91,185 | 25,595 | 21,814 | 3,541 | 1,485 | 3,564 | 2,476 | 30 | 41 | 327 | ... |
| 4th " | (88,658) | (23,848) | (23,624) | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| 2007 - Jan. | 29,052 | 7,049 | 5,581 | 1,145 | 398 | 1,477 | 1,148 | 11 | 30 | 77 | ... |
| Feb. | 30,088 | 6,480 | 5,497 | 952 | 362 | 1,701 | 1,398 | 13 | 13 | 76 | ... |
| Mar. | 33,326 | 7,197 | 6,177 | 1,270 | 438 | 2,298 | 1,915 | 10 | 14 | 47 | ... |
| Apr. | 28,863 | 7,255 | 6,724 | 1,115 | 471 | 1,164 | 899 | 20 | 9 | 72 | ... |
| May | 31,659 | 7,089 | 8,113 | 1,188 | 530 | 1,137 | 901 | 22 | 20 | 35 | ... |
| June | 31,597 | 7,258 | 8,294 | 1,302 | 512 | 1,003 | 596 | 10 | 22 | 202 | ... |
| July | 32,121 | 8,537 | 7,649 | 1,349 | 501 | 1,348 | 1,099 | 15 | 36 | 52 | ... |
| Aug. | 23,498 | 8,969 | 5,840 | 1,090 | 490 | 1,337 | 1,096 | 9 | 11 | 60 | ... |
| Sept. | 30,387 | 7,324 | 6,844 | 1,266 | 587 | 2,023 | 1,253 | 15 | 27 | 116 | ... |
| Oct. | 33,016 | 7,262 | 7,081 | 1,452 | 629 | 1,305 | 1,017 | 62 | 10 | 56 | ... |
| Nov. | 32,076 | 6,732 | 7,423 | 1,290 | 595 | 1,232 | 1,022 | 21 | 21 | 69 | ... |
| Dec. | 27,776 | 7,439 | 8,442 | 1,304 | 531 | 3,008 | 2,066 | 27 | 17 | 142 | ... |
| 2008 - Jan. | 32,623 | 7,180 | 7,153 | 1,136 | 512 | 1,483 | 1,199 | 21 | 13 | 60 | ... |
| Feb. | 31,337 | 6,665 | 6,637 | 1,058 | 451 | 1,788 | 1,498 | 5 | 38 | 70 | ... |
| Mar. | 32,483 | 6,997 | 7,324 | 1,506 | 592 | 3,056 | 2,667 | 7 | 16 | 90 | ... |
| Apr. | 33,850 | 6,891 | 8,026 | 1,337 | 562 | 1,153 | 899 | 27 | 17 | 37 | ... |
| May | 32,734 | 7,539 | 11,936 | 1,172 | 531 | 1,123 | 899 | 14 | 20 | 36 | ... |
| June | 31,793 | 7,291 | 9,987 | 1,156 | 520 | 1,380 | 1,091 | 12 | 8 | 199 | ... |
| July | 34,269 | 8,532 | 7,452 | 1,395 | 531 | 1,398 | 1,149 | 16 | 19 | 48 | ... |
| Aug. | 23,126 | 8,899 | 6,700 | 982 | 451 | 1,328 | 1,098 | 7 | 12 | 62 | ... |
| Sept. | 33,790 | 8,164 | 7,662 | 1,165 | 503 | 838 | 229 | 7 | 10 | 217 | ... |
| Oct. | 33,140 | 8,737 | 7,230 | 1,284 | 591 | 1,300 | .... | 19 | 25 | 58 | .... |
| Nov. | 28,541 | 7,326 | 6,665 | 1,105 | 520 | 1,344 | .... | 12 | 13 | 65 | .... |
| Dec. | (26,977) | (7,785) | (9,729) | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| 2009 - Jan. | (24,926) | (6,308) | (6,704) | | | | | | | | |

Balance of payments and international investment position

Table 3
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Seasonally adjusted current account

(millions of euros)

| | Balance | | | Credits | | | Debits | | |
|----------------------|----------|--------------------|-----------------------|----------|--------------------|-----------------------|----------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| | | of which: goods | of which: services | | of which: goods | of which: services | | of which: goods | of which: services |
| | S635123M | S075757M | S657383M | S672681M | S725475M | S741502M | S757710M | S770409M | S783908M |
| 2006 | -37,950 | -10,614 | -854 | 490,625 | 336,400 | 79,516 | 528,575 | 347,014 | 80,370 |
| 2007 | -38,667 | 2,191 | -6,655 | 532,490 | 366,968 | 81,881 | 571,157 | 364,776 | 88,536 |
| 2008 | -49,933 | 247 | -7,912 | 545,087 | 375,269 | 83,914 | 595,020 | 375,023 | 91,826 |
| 2006 - 4th qtr. | -9,919 | -1,472 | -951 | 127,982 | 88,996 | 19,804 | 137,901 | 90,468 | 20,755 |
| 2007 - 1st qtr. | -8,544 | 850 | -1,230 | 131,202 | 91,173 | 20,560 | 139,746 | 90,323 | 21,790 |
| 2nd " | -8,680 | 1,001 | -2,305 | 130,926 | 91,183 | 19,907 | 139,606 | 90,181 | 22,212 |
| 3rd " | -9,457 | 1,552 | -2,307 | 135,968 | 93,568 | 20,130 | 145,424 | 92,016 | 22,436 |
| 4th " | -11,987 | -1,213 | -814 | 134,394 | 91,043 | 21,284 | 146,381 | 92,256 | 22,098 |
| 2008 - 1st qtr. | -11,376 | 1,172 | -862 | 139,945 | 97,752 | 21,182 | 151,321 | 96,580 | 22,043 |
| 2nd " | -10,574 | 899 | -1,530 | 140,167 | 96,465 | 20,817 | 150,741 | 95,565 | 22,346 |
| 3rd " | -12,633 | -602 | -1,650 | 136,594 | 94,144 | 21,369 | 149,227 | 94,746 | 23,019 |
| 4th " | -15,350 | -1,222 | -3,870 | 128,381 | 86,908 | 20,547 | 143,731 | 88,131 | 24,417 |
| 2007 - Jan. | -3,194 | 348 | -770 | 42,904 | 29,808 | 6,670 | 46,098 | 29,459 | 7,440 |
| Feb. | -3,180 | -153 | -138 | 44,150 | 30,506 | 7,080 | 47,331 | 30,659 | 7,218 |
| Mar. | -2,169 | 655 | -322 | 44,147 | 30,859 | 6,810 | 46,317 | 30,204 | 7,132 |
| Apr. | -3,670 | -66 | -1,040 | 43,409 | 29,931 | 6,850 | 47,079 | 29,997 | 7,890 |
| May | -3,216 | -64 | -481 | 42,811 | 29,894 | 6,624 | 46,026 | 29,959 | 7,105 |
| June | -1,794 | 1,132 | -784 | 44,706 | 31,357 | 6,433 | 46,500 | 30,226 | 7,217 |
| July | -2,659 | -77 | -716 | 46,143 | 30,815 | 6,778 | 48,802 | 30,892 | 7,494 |
| Aug. | -3,229 | 1,008 | -586 | 45,256 | 31,828 | 6,860 | 48,485 | 30,820 | 7,446 |
| Sept. | -3,569 | 621 | -1,005 | 44,569 | 30,925 | 6,492 | 48,138 | 30,305 | 7,496 |
| Oct. | -3,157 | 162 | -254 | 45,142 | 30,689 | 6,959 | 48,299 | 30,527 | 7,213 |
| Nov. | -4,042 | 346 | -360 | 45,197 | 31,610 | 6,869 | 49,239 | 31,264 | 7,229 |
| Dec. | -4,788 | -1,721 | -200 | 44,055 | 28,744 | 7,457 | 48,843 | 30,465 | 7,656 |
| 2008 - Jan. | -3,303 | 151 | -47 | 48,531 | 33,364 | 7,587 | 51,834 | 33,213 | 7,634 |
| Feb. | -3,699 | 875 | -413 | 45,521 | 32,076 | 6,713 | 49,220 | 31,201 | 7,126 |
| Mar. | -4,373 | 145 | -401 | 45,893 | 32,312 | 6,882 | 50,267 | 32,166 | 7,283 |
| Apr. | -3,012 | 420 | -376 | 47,075 | 32,600 | 6,814 | 50,087 | 32,180 | 7,190 |
| May | -4,144 | 691 | -824 | 46,972 | 32,654 | 6,898 | 51,116 | 31,963 | 7,722 |
| June | -3,418 | -212 | -330 | 46,119 | 31,210 | 7,105 | 49,537 | 31,422 | 7,435 |
| July | -3,854 | 180 | -439 | 45,521 | 31,776 | 6,909 | 49,376 | 31,596 | 7,348 |
| Aug. | -4,699 | -696 | -683 | 45,951 | 31,280 | 7,032 | 50,650 | 31,976 | 7,715 |
| Sept. | -4,079 | -86 | -528 | 45,122 | 31,089 | 7,428 | 49,201 | 31,175 | 7,956 |
| Oct. | -4,817 | -203 | -1,559 | 44,794 | 30,249 | 7,028 | 49,611 | 30,453 | 8,586 |
| Nov. | -5,089 | -487 | -1,198 | 41,963 | 28,416 | 6,817 | 47,051 | 28,904 | 8,015 |
| Dec. | -5,445 | -532 | -1,114 | 41,624 | 28,243 | 6,702 | 47,069 | 28,775 | 7,816 |
| 2009 - Jan. | -5,897 | -1,228 | -944 | 38,878 | 26,191 | 6,123 | 44,776 | 27,419 | 7,067 |

Balance of payments and international investment position

Table 4
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Financial account

(millions of euros)

| | Direct investment | | Portfolio investment | | Other investment | | Financial derivatives | Change in reserve assets |
|----------------------|-------------------|----------|----------------------|-------------|------------------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| | abroad | in Italy | assets | liabilities | assets | liabilities | | |
| | S616175M | S044854M | S061250M | S219515M | S473192M | S577774M | S068746M | S662568M |
| 2006 | -33,534 | 31,279 | -50,132 | 94,472 | -115,199 | 98,488 | -417 | 443 |
| 2007 | -66,327 | 29,373 | -658 | 18,763 | -61,456 | 107,581 | 386 | -1,524 |
| 2008 | (-30,440) | (9,083) | (80,322) | (42,325) | (-27,245) | (-30,293) | (6,801) | (-5,573) |
| 2006 - 4th qtr. | -13,554 | 6,106 | -299 | 5,418 | -18,831 | 30,160 | -2,535 | 245 |
| 2007 - 1st qtr. | -20,449 | 8,745 | -18,441 | 12,200 | -7,199 | 33,442 | -952 | -1,089 |
| 2nd " | -6,273 | 7,792 | -11,315 | 12,105 | -54,668 | 61,920 | 364 | -1,904 |
| 3rd " | -7,105 | 6,987 | 15,583 | 2,849 | 635 | -11,929 | -1,178 | 370 |
| 4th " | -32,500 | 5,849 | 13,515 | -8,391 | -224 | 24,148 | 2,152 | 1,099 |
| 2008 - 1st qtr. | -6,421 | 2,514 | 17,146 | 35,122 | -31,570 | -2,513 | 788 | 54 |
| 2nd " | -6,879 | -7,509 | 8,496 | 11,944 | -26,530 | 35,606 | 1,996 | -2,434 |
| 3rd " | -7,321 | 6,277 | 9,696 | -837 | 2,678 | -2,832 | 2,092 | -1,617 |
| 4th " | (-9,819) | (7,801) | (44,984) | (-3,904) | (28,177) | (-60,554) | (1,925) | (-1,576) |
| 2007 - Jan. | -15,009 | 1,436 | -6,747 | -2,997 | 5,928 | 20,173 | 525 | -937 |
| Feb. | 3,635 | 1,485 | -5,520 | 7,312 | -9,527 | 3,537 | 392 | -153 |
| Mar. | -9,075 | 5,824 | -6,174 | 7,885 | -3,600 | 9,732 | -1,869 | 1 |
| Apr. | -3,776 | 1,234 | -9,055 | -996 | -6,937 | 22,013 | -813 | -169 |
| May | -1,213 | 4,652 | -5,877 | -674 | -21,462 | 26,306 | 1,504 | -317 |
| June | -1,284 | 1,906 | 3,617 | 13,775 | -26,269 | 13,601 | -327 | -1,418 |
| July | -2,992 | 2,502 | 7,387 | -2,300 | -12,063 | 3,656 | 871 | 363 |
| Aug. | -1,704 | 3,299 | 2,416 | 1,343 | 5,853 | -9,135 | -778 | 637 |
| Sept. | -2,409 | 1,186 | 5,780 | 3,806 | 6,845 | -6,450 | -1,271 | -630 |
| Oct. | -25,547 | 3,870 | -1,945 | -2,540 | -25,601 | 46,459 | 1,095 | 113 |
| Nov. | -1,782 | 1,136 | 3,374 | 2,413 | 9,345 | -9,949 | -255 | -984 |
| Dec. | -5,171 | 843 | 12,086 | -8,264 | 16,032 | -12,362 | 1,312 | 1,970 |
| 2008 - Jan. | -1,112 | 1,322 | 10,565 | 10,775 | -17,094 | 1,357 | -59 | -847 |
| Feb. | -4,071 | 979 | -5,047 | 6,743 | 520 | 1,529 | 214 | 344 |
| Mar. | -1,238 | 213 | 11,628 | 17,604 | -14,996 | -5,399 | 633 | 557 |
| Apr. | -1,691 | 488 | 8,279 | 6,857 | -21,787 | 7,462 | 637 | -2,079 |
| May | -3,478 | -7,835 | -3,516 | -10,357 | 13,020 | 22,841 | 1,245 | -259 |
| June | -1,710 | -162 | 3,733 | 15,444 | -17,763 | 5,303 | 114 | -96 |
| July | -3,810 | 2,979 | 5,322 | 2,026 | -6,882 | -9,600 | 3,136 | 44 |
| Aug. | -132 | 1,564 | -5,328 | 2,343 | -1,493 | 12,966 | -796 | -203 |
| Sept. | -3,379 | 1,734 | 9,702 | -5,206 | 11,053 | -6,198 | -248 | -1,458 |
| Oct. | -3,017 | 2,152 | 28,828 | 3,557 | 10,959 | -40,431 | 530 | -902 |
| Nov. | -4,627 | 1,385 | 4,967 | 6,123 | -11,102 | 3,828 | 696 | -249 |
| Dec. | (-2,175) | (4,264) | (11,189) | (-13,584) | (28,320) | (-23,951) | (699) | (-424) |
| 2009 - Jan. | (-1,823) | (1,264) | (7,439) | (11,600) | (-27,706) | (13,107) | (-3) | (147) |

Balance of payments and international investment position

Table 5

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Changes in reserve assets

(millions of euros)

| | Flows (a minus sign indicates an increase in reserves) | | | | | | | Valuation adjustments (b) | Change in stocks (b)-(a) |
|----------------------|--|------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| | Monetary gold | Special drawing rights | IMF reserve position | Convertible foreign currencies | | Other claims | Total (a) | | |
| | | | | Currency and deposits | Securities | | | | |
| | <i>S674036M</i> | <i>S685296M</i> | <i>S697243M</i> | <i>S523245M</i> | <i>S533775M</i> | <i>S721372M</i> | <i>S662568M</i> | <i>S424023M</i> | <i>S470088M</i> |
| 2006 | .. | -25 | 686 | 214 | -432 | .. | 443 | 2,071 | 1,627 |
| 2007 | .. | -32 | 207 | 131 | -1,830 | .. | -1,524 | 5,016 | 6,540 |
| 2008 | .. | (41) | (-601) | (2,051) | (-7,065) | .. | (-5,573) | (5,995) | (11,568) |
| 2006 - 4th qtr. | .. | 5 | 200 | -64 | 104 | .. | 245 | 138 | -107 |
| 2007 - 1st qtr. | .. | -8 | 64 | 177 | -1,322 | .. | -1,090 | 908 | 1,998 |
| 2nd " | .. | 2 | 49 | -1,386 | -570 | .. | -1,904 | -1,616 | 288 |
| 3rd " | .. | -7 | 58 | 208 | 112 | .. | 370 | 2,785 | 2,415 |
| 4th " | .. | -19 | 36 | 1,132 | -50 | .. | 1,099 | 2,939 | 1,839 |
| 2008 - 1st qtr. | .. | 67 | 17 | -512 | 481 | .. | 54 | 1,155 | 1,101 |
| 2nd " | .. | -18 | -97 | 491 | -2,809 | .. | -2,434 | -407 | 2,027 |
| 3rd " | .. | 1 | 41 | -856 | -802 | .. | -1,617 | 4,043 | 5,660 |
| 4th " | .. | (-9) | (-561) | (2,928) | (-3,934) | .. | (-1,576) | (1,204) | (2,780) |
| 2007 - Jan. | .. | -10 | 35 | -682 | -281 | .. | -937 | 1,727 | 2,665 |
| Feb. | .. | 2 | 29 | 172 | -356 | .. | -153 | -118 | 35 |
| Mar. | .. | .. | .. | 687 | -686 | .. | 1 | -701 | -702 |
| Apr. | .. | .. | 66 | -459 | 224 | .. | -169 | -301 | -133 |
| May | .. | 2 | -17 | -144 | -158 | .. | -317 | -496 | -179 |
| June | .. | .. | .. | -782 | -636 | .. | -1,418 | -818 | 599 |
| July | .. | -10 | 30 | 389 | -46 | .. | 363 | 280 | -83 |
| Aug. | .. | 3 | 28 | 319 | 287 | .. | 637 | 536 | -101 |
| Sept. | .. | .. | .. | -500 | -130 | .. | -630 | 1,968 | 2,598 |
| Oct. | .. | .. | 18 | 860 | -765 | .. | 113 | 1,590 | 1,476 |
| Nov. | .. | 3 | .. | -676 | -311 | .. | -984 | -1,413 | -430 |
| Dec. | .. | -22 | 18 | 948 | 1,026 | .. | 1,970 | 2,763 | 793 |
| 2008 - Jan. | .. | -10 | .. | -4,029 | 3,192 | .. | -847 | 4,655 | 5,502 |
| Feb. | .. | 3 | .. | 2,475 | -2,134 | .. | 344 | 1,212 | 868 |
| Mar. | .. | 75 | 17 | 1,041 | -576 | .. | 557 | -4,713 | -5,270 |
| Apr. | .. | .. | .. | -189 | -1,890 | .. | -2,079 | -2,368 | -289 |
| May | .. | 2 | -97 | 569 | -733 | .. | -259 | 739 | 997 |
| June | .. | -21 | .. | 111 | -186 | .. | -96 | 1,222 | 1,318 |
| July | .. | 3 | 22 | 439 | -420 | .. | 44 | -60 | -104 |
| Aug. | .. | 2 | .. | -272 | 67 | .. | -203 | -847 | -644 |
| Sept. | .. | -4 | 18 | -1,023 | -449 | .. | -1,458 | 4,950 | 6,408 |
| Oct. | .. | -3 | .. | 2,510 | -3,409 | .. | -902 | -865 | 37 |
| Nov. | .. | 2 | -491 | -88 | 327 | .. | -249 | 5,617 | 5,866 |
| Dec. | .. | (-7) | (-70) | (506) | (-853) | .. | (-424) | (-3,548) | (-3,124) |
| 2009 - Jan. | .. | (-19) | (18) | (260) | (-113) | .. | (147) | (9,498) | (9,350) |

Balance of payments and international investment position

Table 6a
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International investment position: net positions

(end-of-period stocks in millions of euro)

| | 2007-Q2 | 2007-Q3 | 2007-Q4 | 2008-Q1 | 2008-Q2 | 2008-Q3 |
|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Direct investment | | | | | | |
| Monetary authorities | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | (6) |
| General government..... | -25 | -25 | -21 | -19 | -10 | (-11) |
| Other monetary financial institutions | 31,543 | 31,076 | 36,659 | 47,034 | 61,720 | (65,652) |
| Other sectors | 46,124 | 46,176 | 68,814 | 68,473 | 69,546 | (68,399) |
| Total | 77,648 | 77,233 | 105,458 | 115,494 | 131,262 | (134,046) |
| Portfolio investment | | | | | | |
| Monetary authorities | 20,506 | 20,551 | 19,648 | 20,693 | 19,803 | (20,453) |
| - Equity capital | 1,649 | 1,660 | 1,662 | 1,461 | 1,407 | (1,397) |
| - Debt securities | 18,857 | 18,891 | 17,986 | 19,232 | 18,396 | (19,056) |
| General government..... | -703,943 | -698,774 | -681,549 | -723,769 | -720,982 | (-741,055) |
| - Equity capital | 2,324 | 2,347 | 2,297 | 2,118 | 2,253 | (2,203) |
| - Debt securities | -706,267 | -701,121 | -683,846 | -725,887 | -723,235 | (-743,258) |
| Other monetary financial institutions | -74,922 | -79,471 | -77,823 | -72,799 | -72,150 | (-65,324) |
| - Equity capital | -23,751 | -21,588 | -14,944 | -13,436 | -10,111 | (-9,522) |
| - Debt securities | -51,171 | -57,883 | -62,879 | -59,363 | -62,039 | (-55,802) |
| Other sectors..... | 613,193 | 593,349 | 574,218 | 523,385 | 519,012 | (513,664) |
| - Equity capital | 365,902 | 348,904 | 327,418 | 271,564 | 268,155 | (253,411) |
| - Debt securities | 247,291 | 244,445 | 246,800 | 251,821 | 250,857 | (260,253) |
| Total | -145,166 | -164,345 | -165,506 | -252,490 | -254,317 | (-272,262) |
| - Equity capital | 346,124 | 331,323 | 316,433 | 261,707 | 261,704 | (247,489) |
| - Debt securities | -491,290 | -495,668 | -481,939 | -514,197 | -516,021 | (-519,751) |
| Derivatives | | | | | | |
| Monetary authorities | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| General government..... | 109 | 129 | 191 | 238 | 406 | (442) |
| Other monetary financial institutions | 2,850 | 2,703 | 2,523 | 2,092 | 1,729 | (-247) |
| Other sectors | -18,399 | -18,096 | -19,058 | -20,646 | -22,946 | (-24,506) |
| Total | -15,440 | -15,264 | -16,344 | -18,316 | -20,811 | (-24,311) |
| Other investment | | | | | | |
| Monetary authorities | 41,811 | 35,694 | 46,873 | 64,731 | 58,969 | (48,662) |
| General government..... | 23,025 | 23,424 | 24,045 | 24,090 | 23,947 | (24,490) |
| Other monetary financial institutions | -259,138 | -245,461 | -263,296 | -258,954 | -274,359 | (-286,300) |
| Other sectors | 121,778 | 130,722 | 123,612 | 138,825 | 150,892 | (167,556) |
| Total | -72,524 | -55,621 | -68,766 | -31,308 | -40,551 | (-45,592) |
| Reserve assets | | | | | | |
| Total | 59,821 | 62,236 | 64,075 | 65,176 | 67,204 | (72,865) |
| Net position - Total | | | | | | |
| Monetary authorities | 122,144 | 118,487 | 130,602 | 150,606 | 145,982 | (141,986) |
| General government..... | -680,834 | -675,246 | -657,334 | -699,460 | -696,639 | (-716,134) |
| Other monetary financial institutions | -299,667 | -291,153 | -301,937 | -282,627 | -283,060 | (-286,219) |
| Other sectors | 762,696 | 752,151 | 747,586 | 710,037 | 716,504 | (725,113) |
| Total | -95,661 | -95,761 | -81,083 | -121,444 | -117,213 | (-135,254) |

Balance of payments and international investment position

Table 6b
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International investment position: assets

(end-of-period stocks in millions of euros)

| | 2007-Q2 | 2007-Q3 | 2007-Q4 | 2008-Q1 | 2008-Q2 | 2008-Q3 |
|--|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Direct investment | | | | | | |
| Monetary authorities | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | (6) |
| General government | 118 | 118 | 118 | 118 | 118 | (118) |
| Other monetary financial institutions..... | 59,992 | 59,945 | 62,369 | 67,736 | 72,187 | (75,108) |
| Other sectors | 256,183 | 262,129 | 290,801 | 292,384 | 293,716 | (300,702) |
| Total | 316,299 | 322,198 | 353,294 | 360,244 | 366,027 | (375,934) |
| Portfolio investment | | | | | | |
| Monetary authorities | 20,506 | 20,551 | 19,648 | 20,693 | 19,803 | (20,453) |
| - Equity capital | 1,649 | 1,660 | 1,662 | 1,461 | 1,407 | (1,397) |
| - Debt securities | 18,857 | 18,891 | 17,986 | 19,232 | 18,396 | (19,056) |
| General government | 6,844 | 6,688 | 6,552 | 6,651 | 6,628 | (6,577) |
| - Equity capital | 2,324 | 2,347 | 2,297 | 2,118 | 2,253 | (2,203) |
| - Debt securities | 4,520 | 4,341 | 4,255 | 4,533 | 4,375 | (4,374) |
| Other monetary financial institutions..... | 89,857 | 84,331 | 84,642 | 82,267 | 87,511 | (92,083) |
| - Equity capital | 22,322 | 22,315 | 24,451 | 19,441 | 17,884 | (16,457) |
| - Debt securities | 67,535 | 62,016 | 60,191 | 62,826 | 69,627 | (75,626) |
| Other sectors | 770,173 | 751,773 | 732,983 | 671,672 | 654,691 | (631,155) |
| - Equity capital | 391,198 | 381,952 | 363,171 | 302,979 | 291,658 | (264,750) |
| - Debt securities | 378,975 | 369,821 | 369,812 | 368,693 | 363,033 | (366,405) |
| Total | 887,380 | 863,343 | 843,825 | 781,283 | 768,633 | (750,268) |
| - Equity capital | 417,493 | 408,274 | 391,581 | 325,999 | 313,202 | (284,807) |
| - Debt securities | 469,887 | 455,069 | 452,244 | 455,284 | 455,431 | (465,461) |
| Derivatives | | | | | | |
| Monetary authorities | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| General government | 116 | 136 | 198 | 245 | 413 | (449) |
| Other monetary financial institutions..... | 13,834 | 13,717 | 10,987 | 11,423 | 11,749 | (11,170) |
| Other sectors | 12,570 | 12,158 | 11,999 | 12,225 | 12,345 | (12,797) |
| Total | 26,520 | 26,011 | 23,184 | 23,893 | 24,507 | (24,416) |
| Other investment | | | | | | |
| Monetary authorities | 43,024 | 36,276 | 46,963 | 65,019 | 59,015 | (48,792) |
| General government | 27,370 | 27,354 | 27,552 | 27,309 | 27,007 | (27,385) |
| Other monetary financial institutions..... | 292,321 | 297,497 | 297,156 | 295,531 | 316,190 | (303,598) |
| Other sectors | 268,323 | 271,216 | 264,376 | 277,257 | 289,552 | (312,549) |
| Total | 631,038 | 632,343 | 636,047 | 665,116 | 691,764 | (692,324) |
| Reserve assets | | | | | | |
| Total | 59,821 | 62,236 | 64,075 | 65,176 | 67,204 | (72,865) |
| Assets - Total | | | | | | |
| Monetary authorities | 123,357 | 119,069 | 130,692 | 150,894 | 146,028 | (142,116) |
| General government | 34,448 | 34,296 | 34,420 | 34,323 | 34,166 | (34,529) |
| Other monetary financial institutions..... | 456,004 | 455,490 | 455,154 | 456,957 | 487,637 | (481,959) |
| Other sectors | 1,307,249 | 1,297,276 | 1,300,159 | 1,253,538 | 1,250,304 | (1,257,203) |
| Total | 1,921,058 | 1,906,131 | 1,920,425 | 1,895,712 | 1,918,135 | (1,915,807) |

Balance of payments and international investment position

Table 6c
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International investment position: liabilities

(end-of-period stocks in millions of euros)

| | 2007-Q2 | 2007-Q3 | 2007-Q4 | 2008-Q1 | 2008-Q2 | 2008-Q3 |
|---|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Direct investment | | | | | | |
| Monetary authorities | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| General government..... | 143 | 143 | 139 | 137 | 128 | (129) |
| Other monetary financial institutions | 28,449 | 28,869 | 25,710 | 20,702 | 10,467 | (9,456) |
| Other sectors | 210,059 | 215,953 | 221,987 | 223,911 | 224,170 | (232,303) |
| Total | 238,651 | 244,965 | 247,836 | 244,750 | 234,765 | (241,888) |
| Portfolio investment | | | | | | |
| Monetary authorities | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| - Equity capital | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| - Debt securities | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| General government..... | 710,787 | 705,462 | 688,101 | 730,420 | 727,610 | (747,632) |
| - Equity capital | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| - Debt securities | 710,787 | 705,462 | 688,101 | 730,420 | 727,610 | (747,632) |
| Other monetary financial institutions | 164,779 | 163,802 | 162,465 | 155,066 | 159,661 | (157,407) |
| - Equity capital | 46,073 | 43,903 | 39,395 | 32,877 | 27,995 | (25,979) |
| - Debt securities | 118,706 | 119,899 | 123,070 | 122,189 | 131,666 | (131,428) |
| Other sectors..... | 156,980 | 158,424 | 158,765 | 148,287 | 135,679 | (117,491) |
| - Equity capital | 25,296 | 33,048 | 35,753 | 31,415 | 23,503 | (11,339) |
| - Debt securities | 131,684 | 125,376 | 123,012 | 116,872 | 112,176 | (106,152) |
| Total | 1,032,546 | 1,027,688 | 1,009,331 | 1,033,773 | 1,022,950 | (1,022,530) |
| - Equity capital | 71,369 | 76,951 | 75,148 | 64,292 | 51,498 | (37,318) |
| - Debt securities | 961,177 | 950,737 | 934,183 | 969,481 | 971,452 | (985,212) |
| Derivatives | | | | | | |
| Monetary authorities | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| General government..... | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | (7) |
| Other monetary financial institutions | 10,984 | 11,014 | 8,464 | 9,331 | 10,020 | (11,417) |
| Other sectors | 30,969 | 30,254 | 31,057 | 32,871 | 35,291 | (37,303) |
| Total | 41,960 | 41,275 | 39,528 | 42,209 | 45,318 | (48,727) |
| Other investment | | | | | | |
| Monetary authorities | 1,213 | 582 | 90 | 288 | 46 | (130) |
| General government..... | 4,345 | 3,930 | 3,507 | 3,219 | 3,060 | (2,895) |
| Other monetary financial institutions | 551,459 | 542,958 | 560,452 | 554,485 | 590,549 | (589,898) |
| Other sectors | 146,545 | 140,494 | 140,764 | 138,432 | 138,660 | (144,993) |
| Total | 703,562 | 687,964 | 704,813 | 696,424 | 732,315 | (737,916) |
| Liabilities - Total | | | | | | |
| Monetary authorities | 1,213 | 582 | 90 | 288 | 46 | (130) |
| General government..... | 715,282 | 709,542 | 691,754 | 733,783 | 730,805 | (750,663) |
| Other monetary financial institutions | 755,671 | 746,643 | 757,091 | 739,584 | 770,697 | (768,178) |
| Other sectors | 544,553 | 545,125 | 552,573 | 543,501 | 533,800 | (532,090) |
| Total | 2,016,719 | 2,001,892 | 2,001,508 | 2,017,156 | 2,035,348 | (2,051,061) |

Balance of payments and international investment position

Table 7
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Breakdown of external liabilities other than equity (external debt)

(end-of-period stocks in millions of euros)

| | 2007-Q4 | 2008-Q1 | 2008-Q2 | 2008-Q3 |
|--|------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| General government | 691,608 | 733,639 | 730,671 | (750,527) |
| Short-term | 77,806 | 91,554 | 103,831 | (108,893) |
| Money market instruments | 75,376 | 89,124 | 101,420 | (106,526) |
| Loans | 2,388 | 2,390 | 2,395 | (2,350) |
| Trade credits | 17 | 16 | 16 | (17) |
| Other liabilities | 25 | 24 | .. | .. |
| Long-term | 613,802 | 642,085 | 626,840 | (641,634) |
| Bonds and notes | 612,725 | 641,296 | 626,190 | (641,106) |
| Loans | 1,075 | 788 | 650 | (528) |
| Trade credits | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Other liabilities | 2 | 1 | .. | .. |
| Monetary authorities | 90 | 288 | 47 | (130) |
| Short-term | 90 | 288 | 47 | (130) |
| Money market instruments | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Loans | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Currency and deposits | 73 | 101 | 8 | (9) |
| Other liabilities | 17 | 187 | 39 | (121) |
| Long-term | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Bonds and notes | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Loans | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Currency and deposits | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Other liabilities | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Other monetary financial institutions | 683,520 | 676,675 | 722,215 | (721,326) |
| Short-term | 423,820 | 412,294 | 451,221 | (452,501) |
| Money market instruments | 262 | 253 | 146 | (904) |
| Loans | 40,035 | 46,327 | 41,823 | (45,718) |
| Currency and deposits | 329,562 | 315,357 | 350,157 | (352,873) |
| Other liabilities | 53,961 | 50,357 | 59,095 | (53,006) |
| Long-term | 259,700 | 264,381 | 270,994 | (268,825) |
| Bonds and notes | 122,808 | 121,936 | 131,520 | (130,524) |
| Loans | 77,946 | 75,081 | 69,742 | (67,370) |
| Currency and deposits | 58,946 | 67,364 | 69,732 | (70,931) |
| Other liabilities | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Other sectors | 263,776 | 255,304 | 250,838 | (251,145) |
| Short-term | 95,440 | 93,401 | 93,718 | (98,762) |
| Money market instruments | 38 | 37 | 37 | (38) |
| Loans | 54,547 | 57,952 | 55,406 | (59,014) |
| Currency and deposits | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Trade credits | 27,031 | 26,810 | 29,812 | (31,365) |
| Other liabilities | 13,824 | 8,602 | 8,463 | (8,345) |
| Long-term | 168,336 | 161,903 | 157,120 | (152,383) |
| Bonds and notes | 122,974 | 116,835 | 112,139 | (106,114) |
| Loans | 35,893 | 35,247 | 34,813 | (36,061) |
| Currency and deposits | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Trade credits | 530 | 403 | 267 | (107) |
| Other liabilities | 8,939 | 9,418 | 9,901 | (10,101) |
| Direct investment | 59,249 | 58,722 | 57,634 | (60,706) |
| Debt liabilities to affiliated enterprises | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Debt liabilities to direct investors | 59,249 | 58,722 | 57,634 | (60,706) |
| Total | 1,698,243 | 1,724,628 | 1,761,405 | (1,783,834) |

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Table 8
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Indicators of competitiveness

(period averages; indices, 1999=100)

| | United States | Japan | Germany | France | Italy | United Kingdom | Canada |
|---------------------|------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-------------------|----------|
| | S555450M | S341692M | S407928M | S456966M | S522018M | S572267M | S605040M |
| 2006..... | 101.8 | 73.2 | 103.8 | 99.3 | 106.0 | 90.6 | 111.5 |
| 2007..... | 97.9 | 68.1 | 104.7 | 100.6 | 108.2 | 92.2 | 113.8 |
| 2008..... | 97.2 | 74.0 | 106.4 | 101.5 | 109.8 | 81.5 | 108.6 |
| 2006 - 4th qtr..... | 99.3 | 71.6 | 105.0 | 99.8 | 107.2 | 92.4 | 111.1 |
| 2007 - 1st qtr..... | 99.6 | 69.4 | 105.2 | 100.1 | 107.6 | 93.6 | 109.3 |
| 2nd " | 99.4 | 66.7 | 104.5 | 100.0 | 107.7 | 92.5 | 113.6 |
| 3rd " | 97.6 | 67.8 | 104.1 | 100.4 | 108.0 | 92.6 | 115.0 |
| 4th " | 94.9 | 68.3 | 105.0 | 101.8 | 109.5 | 90.2 | 117.4 |
| 2008 - 1st qtr..... | 94.3 | 71.3 | 105.7 | 102.2 | 110.5 | 85.3 | 113.7 |
| 2nd " | 95.9 | 69.0 | 106.3 | 102.5 | 110.9 | 83.0 | 110.7 |
| 3rd " | 98.4 | 68.8 | 106.0 | 101.0 | 109.5 | 81.1 | 107.9 |
| 4th " | 100.2 | 86.9 | 107.6 | 100.2 | 108.3 | 76.7 | 101.9 |
| 2006 - Dec. | 99.0 | 70.9 | 105.5 | 100.1 | 107.8 | 93.1 | 109.7 |
| 2007 - Jan. | 99.1 | 69.6 | 105.2 | 99.9 | 107.5 | 94.4 | 109.0 |
| Feb. | 99.8 | 68.8 | 105.2 | 100.1 | 107.6 | 93.8 | 109.3 |
| Mar. | 99.8 | 69.9 | 105.1 | 100.1 | 107.8 | 92.5 | 109.5 |
| Apr. | 99.1 | 68.1 | 104.8 | 100.4 | 108.0 | 92.7 | 111.4 |
| May | 99.4 | 66.5 | 104.5 | 99.9 | 107.8 | 92.1 | 113.8 |
| June | 99.6 | 65.6 | 104.3 | 99.7 | 107.4 | 92.6 | 115.5 |
| July | 98.9 | 65.5 | 104.1 | 100.2 | 107.7 | 93.3 | 115.0 |
| Aug. | 97.5 | 68.9 | 104.0 | 100.3 | 107.8 | 92.8 | 114.2 |
| Sept..... | 96.3 | 69.0 | 104.3 | 100.8 | 108.5 | 91.8 | 115.8 |
| Oct. | 94.8 | 67.5 | 104.6 | 101.4 | 108.9 | 91.3 | 118.9 |
| Nov. | 95.1 | 69.2 | 105.3 | 102.0 | 109.9 | 90.3 | 118.1 |
| Dec. | 94.9 | 68.3 | 104.9 | 101.9 | 109.7 | 88.9 | 115.3 |
| 2008 - Jan. | 94.6 | 70.6 | 105.3 | 102.1 | 109.9 | 86.1 | 114.2 |
| Feb. | 94.3 | 70.4 | 105.3 | 101.8 | 110.1 | 85.5 | 114.4 |
| Mar. | 93.8 | 72.9 | 106.4 | 102.7 | 111.4 | 84.2 | 112.5 |
| Apr. | 94.1 | 70.6 | 107.1 | 103.1 | 111.3 | 82.9 | 111.0 |
| May | 96.2 | 69.3 | 106.0 | 102.4 | 110.9 | 83.1 | 111.4 |
| June | 97.2 | 67.2 | 105.7 | 102.1 | 110.4 | 82.9 | 109.6 |
| July | 97.9 | 67.0 | 106.8 | 101.8 | 110.0 | 82.4 | 108.2 |
| Aug. | 97.7 | 67.9 | 105.6 | 101.1 | 109.6 | 81.2 | 107.6 |
| Sept..... | 99.8 | 71.5 | 105.7 | 100.1 | 108.8 | 79.8 | 107.9 |
| Oct. | 101.6 | 80.7 | 105.9 | 99.2 | 107.3 | 80.2 | 103.0 |
| Nov. | 101.2 | 87.3 | 106.5 | 99.2 | 107.5 | 76.4 | 102.0 |
| Dec. | 97.9 | 92.8 | 110.5 | 102.2 | 110.3 | 73.5 | 100.8 |

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| Spain | Netherlands | Belgium | China | Brazil | South Korea | Turkey | Poland |
|----------|-------------|----------|----------|----------|-------------|----------|----------|
| S683602M | S722874M | S798020M | S931563M | S076798M | S170725M | S273344M | S357110M |
| 107.3 | 112.0 | 104.9 | 96.3 | 149.8 | 115.7 | 127.1 | 106.4 |
| 109.1 | 115.2 | 108.2 | 98.1 | 164.5 | 112.5 | 134.3 | 109.1 |
| 111.7 | 119.0 | 110.4 | 103.9 | 180.1 | 95.4 | 135.9 | 113.5 |
| 107.3 | 111.4 | 106.1 | 97.0 | 152.7 | 116.2 | 125.5 | 107.7 |
| 108.4 | 111.9 | 106.2 | 97.5 | 155.5 | 114.1 | 128.3 | 106.4 |
| 108.8 | 114.5 | 107.7 | 98.8 | 159.4 | 114.0 | 132.5 | 108.7 |
| 109.0 | 115.8 | 108.5 | 99.0 | 165.4 | 112.3 | 135.8 | 109.4 |
| 110.4 | 118.5 | 110.7 | 97.2 | 177.7 | 109.6 | 140.8 | 111.9 |
| 111.9 | 119.7 | 111.0 | 98.8 | 181.4 | 103.4 | 137.9 | 113.3 |
| 112.6 | 122.5 | 111.8 | 101.5 | 187.0 | 98.8 | 135.0 | 116.6 |
| 111.9 | 121.1 | 111.5 | 105.2 | 191.5 | 98.4 | 142.3 | 117.5 |
| 110.2 | 112.5 | 107.2 | 110.2 | 160.6 | 80.8 | 128.5 | 106.5 |
| 107.7 | 111.8 | 106.2 | 97.1 | 151.3 | 115.9 | 124.9 | 108.3 |
| 108.0 | 111.4 | 105.8 | 97.4 | 154.5 | 115.6 | 127.0 | 106.6 |
| 108.4 | 111.9 | 105.7 | 97.4 | 156.7 | 114.3 | 129.9 | 106.2 |
| 108.8 | 112.4 | 107.0 | 97.7 | 155.2 | 112.5 | 128.0 | 106.5 |
| 108.9 | 114.2 | 107.5 | 98.2 | 156.5 | 113.5 | 130.6 | 108.3 |
| 108.8 | 114.7 | 107.8 | 99.1 | 158.9 | 114.1 | 132.6 | 109.1 |
| 108.6 | 114.7 | 107.9 | 99.0 | 162.9 | 114.5 | 134.1 | 108.6 |
| 108.8 | 115.6 | 108.4 | 98.9 | 165.3 | 114.0 | 135.4 | 109.9 |
| 108.9 | 115.2 | 108.4 | 99.1 | 162.4 | 112.0 | 133.7 | 109.0 |
| 109.3 | 116.5 | 108.6 | 99.1 | 168.5 | 111.0 | 138.2 | 109.5 |
| 110.0 | 117.7 | 109.9 | 97.2 | 176.3 | 111.7 | 141.6 | 111.0 |
| 110.4 | 119.1 | 111.1 | 95.5 | 177.1 | 109.0 | 139.2 | 112.1 |
| 110.7 | 118.8 | 111.0 | 99.0 | 179.6 | 108.1 | 141.5 | 112.7 |
| 111.7 | 119.4 | 110.7 | 98.3 | 180.0 | 105.5 | 140.4 | 112.5 |
| 111.5 | 118.9 | 110.7 | 98.7 | 183.4 | 105.3 | 140.5 | 113.0 |
| 112.7 | 120.8 | 111.7 | 99.5 | 180.9 | 99.3 | 132.7 | 114.4 |
| 113.0 | 121.6 | 112.4 | 101.2 | 181.9 | 100.3 | 129.9 | 116.4 |
| 112.4 | 122.7 | 111.4 | 101.7 | 186.6 | 97.1 | 137.5 | 116.6 |
| 112.5 | 123.2 | 111.7 | 101.5 | 192.7 | 99.1 | 137.7 | 116.7 |
| 113.0 | 123.0 | 112.4 | 101.9 | 194.2 | 100.8 | 138.4 | 119.0 |
| 111.8 | 120.7 | 111.3 | 105.5 | 197.2 | 100.4 | 145.8 | 118.0 |
| 110.9 | 119.6 | 110.7 | 108.2 | 183.0 | 93.9 | 142.8 | 115.6 |
| 110.0 | 115.0 | 109.0 | 110.9 | 162.2 | 83.9 | 130.5 | 109.5 |
| 109.4 | 111.8 | 106.8 | 111.3 | 164.3 | 79.7 | 128.7 | 106.8 |
| 111.1 | 110.7 | 105.7 | 108.2 | 155.4 | 79.0 | 126.4 | 103.2 |

METHODOLOGICAL APPENDIX

GENERAL INDICATIONS

GLOSSARY

The glossary is based on the Fifth edition of the International Monetary Fund's Balance of Payments Manual, to which reference is made for the complete definition of the various items. Under the accounting convention adopted for the balance of payments, transactions, such as imports, that give rise to a payment abroad are classified as debits and those, such as exports, that give rise to a receipt from abroad are classified as credits; balances are calculated as the difference between credits and debits. In the financial account, assets, recorded with a negative sign, comprise residents' acquisitions of assets abroad, while liabilities, recorded with a positive sign, comprise non-residents' acquisitions of assets vis-à-vis residents; in the balance, an increase in net assets is recorded with a negative sign.

CURRENT ACCOUNT

The current account includes all transactions between resident and non-resident entities that pertain to goods, services, incomes and current transfers.

a. Goods.

Comprising General merchandise, Goods for processing, Repairs on goods, Goods procured in ports by carriers and Non-monetary gold. Goods are recorded according to the fob-fob definition, whereby they are valued at the frontier of the exporting country (foreign trade statistics are typically compiled on the basis of the cif-fob definition, whereby imports are valued at the frontier of the country compiling the statistics).

b. Services.

Transportation includes freight and passenger transportation by all modes of transportation and other distributive and auxiliary services, such as loading and unloading and storage, the overhaul and cleaning of means of equipment, shippers and agents fees. Freight insurance, goods procured in ports by carriers, repairs and rentals of transportation equipment without crew are excluded.

Travel covers goods and services acquired (or acquired on their behalf or however supplied to them) by travellers who stay for less than one year in a country in which they are not resident. This time limit does not apply to students or medical patients; military, government agency and embassy personnel and members of their families are excluded.

Communications services cover postal, courier and telecommunications services.

Construction services cover construction and installation project work performed abroad by resident enterprises (and vice versa). Goods imported and exported for construction works are included in this item and not under goods.

Insurance services cover the provision to non-residents (and vice versa) of services such as the insurance of goods exported and imported and, more generally, life and non-life insurance and pension funds. The amount includes the fee for the service provided and not the total premium.

Financial services include commissions and fees for resident/non-resident letters of credit, lines of credit, foreign exchange transactions and intermediation involving financial assets, etc.

Computer and information services cover resident/non-resident transactions related to hardware consultancy, information services (from data processing to news agency services), and maintenance and repair of computer related equipment.

Royalties and license fees cover receipts (exports) and payments (imports) of residents and non-residents for the use of non-financial non-produced assets and proprietary rights.

Other business services cover merchanting and miscellaneous business, professional and technical services.

Personal services cover personal, cultural and recreational services provided to non-residents by residents (and vice versa). They include services associated with the production of films, music, radio and television programmes, and their distribution.

Government services cover services not included elsewhere associated with governmental and international organizations and entities.

c. Income.

Compensation of employees covers wages, salaries and other benefits, in cash or in kind and valued gross, paid to non-resident workers.

Investment income covers receipts and payments associated, respectively, with holdings of external financial assets by residents and with liabilities to non-residents.

d. Current transfers.

Current transfers are the offsets to changes, which take place between residents and non-residents, in the ownership of real resources and financial items. They do not include transfers of ownership of fixed assets; transfers of funds linked to the acquisition or disposal of fixed assets or the forgiveness of debts, which are included under Capital transfers; they include both transfers of a public nature and those of a private nature.

CAPITAL ACCOUNT

a. Capital transfers.

This item refers to transfers of ownership of fixed assets; transfers of funds linked to the acquisition or disposal of fixed assets and the forgiveness of debts; it includes both transfers of a public nature and those of a private nature.

b. Intangible assets.

These include transactions involving the ownership (not the use) of intangible assets such as patents and goodwill. Ownership rights to land are excluded.

FINANCIAL ACCOUNT

a. Direct investment.

Direct investment covers the initial transaction between the investor and the investee enterprise and all subsequent transactions between them. Direct investment transactions are subclassified into equity capital, reinvested earnings and other transactions between the investor and the investee enterprise or with their affiliated enterprises. The latter case (linked, for example, to loans between affiliated companies) does not apply to banks, for which only equity and subordinated debt transactions are included.

b. Portfolio investment.

This item covers transactions between residents and non-residents involving equity securities and debt securities. Transactions covered under direct investment are excluded.

c. Other investment.

This item covers trade credits, loans, deposits and other accounts receivable and payable.

d. Derivatives.

This subitem covers transactions in financial derivatives.

e. Reserve assets.

The reserve assets of the European Central Bank and the national central banks making up the Eurosystem refer to highly liquid, marketable and creditworthy claims on non-residents of the euro area denominated in foreign currency.

INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENT POSITION

The international investment position indicates the stock of an economy's financial assets and liabilities (in foreign and domestic currency) with the rest of the world. The presentation format uses the same classifying criteria as the financial account: functional (assets/liabilities from direct investment, portfolio investment, financial derivatives and other investment, and official reserves), resident sector that holds the assets or issued the liabilities, and instrument (for portfolio investment only).

The balance of payments and international investment position can be reconciled. The change in the stock of external financial assets and liabilities in a period is attributable to financial flows (transactions on the financial account of the balance of payments) and valuation adjustments (referring to the changes between the start and the end of the period in exchange rates and the prices of underlying assets and any other adjustments).

The sectorisation is as follows. "Monetary authorities": Bank of Italy. "General government": central government, regional and local government, social security funds. "Other monetary financial institutions": banks, money market funds (included in the "Other sectors" until June 2002), electronic money institutes, Cassa depositi e prestiti spa. "Other sectors": non-financial enterprises, households, non-profit-making institutions serving households, other financial institutions not included in the "Other monetary financial institutions" (securities-dealer companies and agencies, collective investment institutions not considered as money market funds, other financial institutions, insurance companies and pension funds).

DATA DISSEMINATION

The balance-of-payments data are normally released according to the following calendar. The provisional data for month M are published in the Supplement that comes out about two months later (M+70/75 days). The first revision of these data is published two months later (M+130/135 days). Subsequent revisions are published in the June Supplement of the year after that of month M. During the month of February of year T, all the monthly figures for merchandise trade and transportation in year T-2 are revised following the release of updated foreign trade data by Istat. The revised data are published in the March Supplement.

The dissemination of international investment position data normally occurs according to the following calendar: first provisional data are published about 115 days after the end of the reference period; revised data are disseminated about 6 months later. For quarterly external debt, first provisional data are published about 90 days after the end of the reference quarter; revised data are disseminated about 3 months later.

SOURCES

The main sources for data collection which are managed by the Bank of Italy, are the "Matrice Valutaria" (MV), the "Matrice dei conti" (MC), the "Comunicazione Valutaria Statistica" (CVS) and the sample surveys.

The MV is the instrument used by the resident banks, Bank of Italy included, to report data on their own foreign transactions and on those settled on behalf of their customers. As from January 2002 data a threshold of 12,500 euro has been applied to the banking source (MV). As from January 2008 the exemption threshold has been raised to 50,000 euro (only for transactions with EU, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway and Switzerland countries).

Stock data on the resident banks' foreign assets and liabilities are derived from the MC reporting instrument. The information is useful for the compilation of the Italian international investment position.

The CVS is the instrument used by resident non-bank operators to report foreign transactions which are directly settled abroad or which are settled in Italy through the non-resident banks. Until December 2001 the CVS instrument applied an exemption threshold of 10,000 euro. As from January 2002 the exemption threshold was raised to 12,500 euro. As from January 2008 the exemption threshold has been raised to 50,000 euro (only for transactions with EU, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway and Switzerland countries). From the same data CVS data on merchandise are not due any longer.

Sample surveys are the source of data for transactions in travel, transportation services, reinvested earnings and for some items of the Italian international investment position.

Transactions in goods are obtained from the National Statistical Institute (ISTAT) foreign trade statistics. The latter use as source of data the Intra-Community Trade Statistical System (INTRASTAT) for intra-EU transactions and the customs declarations for extra-EU transactions.

NOTES TO THE TABLES

The order of the tables in the following notes is based on their code numbers. The notes to each table are set out below, together with references to the "Notes to the classification variables" section where appropriate.

TAAE0250 - INDICATORS OF COMPETITIVENESS (PERIOD AVERAGES; INDICES, 1999=100)

The table shows the indicators of competitiveness calculated on the basis of the producer prices of manufactures in sixty-two countries. For the methodology, see "A New Indicator of Competitiveness for Italy and the Main Industrial and Emerging Countries" in Supplements to the Statistical Bulletin, Methodological Notes, no. 66, December 2005. Rounding may cause discrepancies between the monthly, quarterly and annual figures. Starting with the Supplement no. 17, 16 March 2007, the series have been rebased (from 1993=100 to 1999=100).

TBDE0090 - SEASONALLY ADJUSTED CURRENT ACCOUNT

The table shows the time series, adjusted for seasonal and calendar effects, of the current account, goods account and services account. The seasonal component is identified and eliminated with a model-based approach, applied using the Tramo-Seats statistical package. The balances are calculated as the difference between seasonally adjusted credits and debits. The current account is calculated as the sum of the individual seasonally adjusted components (goods, services, income and current transfers). The policy of revision adopts the partial concurrent adjustment method, which proceeds by identifying the model, calendar effects and any outliers annually and updating the estimation of the respective parameters monthly. The entire seasonally adjusted time series (including the data already published in previous issues of the Supplement) is therefore subject to revision on a monthly basis.

TIAA0200 - INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENT POSITION: NET POSITIONS

Starting from 1999 the periodicity of the data is semi-annual; from 2004 it is quarterly. Information on "General government" and "Other sectors" are included in notes to the tables TIAA0300 e TIAA0400.

TIAA0300 - INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENT POSITION: ASSETS

Starting from 1999 the periodicity of the data is semi-annual; from 2004 it is quarterly. Portfolio investment assets of "General government" and "Other sectors" at the end of the reference year are collected through the "Survey on direct and portfolio stock assets and liabilities". Positions at the end of the remaining quarters are calculated cumulating net flows (collected through the "Comunicazione valutaria statistica" (CVS)) to the end-of-year assets taking into account exchange rates and price adjustments.

TIAA0400 - INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENT POSITION: LIABILITIES

Starting from 1999 the periodicity of the data is semi-annual; from 2004 it is quarterly. For the liabilities of "General government" and "Other sectors" the last direct survey took place at the end of 1989. Positions at the end of the following periods are calculated cumulating net flows (collected through the "Comunicazione valutaria statistica" (CVS)) and taking into account exchange rates and price adjustments.

TIAA0500 - BREAKDOWN OF EXTERNAL LIABILITIES OTHER THAN EQUITY (EXTERNAL DEBT)

The data begin at the end of 2002. Data are consistent with those published in the table TIAA0400 "International investment position: liabilities". External debt statistics are a subset of the international investment position statistics, as the former do not include derivatives, equity capital and reinvested earnings. Partial misalignments between the two sets of statistics may be due to the different level of provisional nature of the data and to the different periodicity and timeliness of dissemination. Stock data referred to "General government" and to "Other sectors" are obtained cumulating flows. More in detail the monthly net flows, as derived from the "Comunicazione Valutaria Statistica" (CVS), are cumulated to the last stock data directly collected in December 1989. The result is revalued/devalued applying end-of-month foreign exchange rates and prices.

The information stored electronically are identified by the codes reported in each table. The codes for identifying the information in tables TIAA0200, TIAA0300, TIAA0400 e TIAA0500 are given below.

RESIDENT SECTORS (setop_res)

| | |
|---|------|
| Monetary authorities | 5630 |
| General government..... | 5607 |
| Other monetary financial institutions | 5620 |
| Other sectors | 5635 |
| Total | 5615 |

OBSERVED PHENOMENA (vocesotvoc)

| | |
|--|----------|
| Net position - Direct investment | 71001178 |
| Net position - Portfolio investment..... | 71001179 |
| Net position - Equity capital | 71001191 |
| Net position - Debt securities..... | 71001192 |
| Net position - Derivatives | 71001184 |
| Net position - Other investment | 71001180 |
| Net position - Reserve assets | 71001190 |
| Net position - Total | 71001181 |
| Assets - Direct investment | 71001170 |
| Assets - Portfolio investment | 71001171 |
| Assets - Equity capital | 71001185 |
| Assets - Debt securities..... | 71001186 |
| Assets - Derivatives | 71001182 |
| Assets - Other investment | 71001172 |
| Assets - Reserve assets | 71001190 |
| Assets - Total | 71001173 |
| Liabilities - Direct investment..... | 71001174 |
| Liabilities - Portfolio investment | 71001175 |
| Liabilities - Equity capital | 71001187 |
| Liabilities - Debt securities | 71001188 |
| Liabilities - Derivatives..... | 71001183 |

| | |
|--|----------|
| Liabilities - Other investment..... | 71001176 |
| Liabilities - Total | 71001177 |
| External debt - Money market instruments | 70070000 |
| External debt - Bonds and notes..... | 70070010 |
| External debt - Loans | 70070020 |
| External debt - Currency and deposits | 70070030 |
| External debt - Trade credits | 70070040 |
| External debt - Other liabilities | 70070050 |
| External debt - Direct investment..... | 70070110 |
| External debt - Debt liabilities to affiliated enterprises..... | 70070060 |
| External debt - Debt liabilities to direct investors | 70070070 |
| External debt - Total | 70070120 |

INITIAL MATURITY (durata_or) *

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|------------------------------------|----|
| Short term (up to 1 year) | 5 |
| Long term (more than 1 year) | 18 |
| Any maturity | 9 |

RESIDENCE (residenz) **

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|---------------------|---|
| Non residents | 2 |
|---------------------|---|

* Only for table TIAA0500.

** Only for tables TIAA0200, TIAA0300, TIAA0400.

GENERAL INFORMATION

- I - Unless indicated otherwise, figures have been computed by the Bank of Italy.
- II - Symbols and Conventions:
- the phenomenon in question does not occur;
 - the phenomenon occurs but its value is not known;
 - .. the value is known but is nil or less than half the final digit shown.
- Figures in parentheses in roman type () are provisional, those in parentheses in italics () are estimated.
- III - The tables are identified both by a number and by an alphanumeric code that defines the content of the table in the database in the electronic archive in which information to be released to the public is held. A similar code identifies the different aggregates shown in each table.
- IV - The methodological notes in the last part of the Supplement are identified by electronic codes that refer to the tables and, within each table, to the individual aggregates. Notes that refer to a single observation are also identified by the date of that observation.

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