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Notice to Readers

The first twelve tables contain time series compiled according to the harmonized format established by the ESCB and cover the balance sheet of the Bank of Italy, its operations on behalf of the Eurosystem, the minimum reserve system in Italy and the Italian components of the monetary aggregates of the euro area.

Tables 13-16 cover credit and financial assets. The definitions adopted in these tables are not always the same as the harmonized definitions established by the ESCB. The series based on unharmonized definitions are shown to provide continuity with those that the Bank of Italy had previously published.

Tables 17-20 contain: the ECB official rates, the growth rates of the main monetary, financial and credit aggregates; information on BOT auctions and monthly BOT yields. The series showing the official discount rate and the reference rate are available on the Bank of Italy's website in the section: Statistics/Historical statistics/Historical data in the BIP on–line/Historical tables/Bank of Italy official interest rates: 1936-2003.

For more detailed information, see the notes to the tables and the "General indications" in the Methodological Appendix.

As of October 2007, M2 includes term and inflation-indexed Post Office savings certificates. As of the same date, the monetary component and counterparty series are affected by the reclassification of Cassa Depositi e Prestiti s.p.a. (CDP) from "other financial intermediaries" to "other monetary financial institutions". The flow data are shown excluding the statistical effects deriving from the inclusion of CDP among MFIs.

The cut-off date for the data included in this edition of the supplement was 27 May 2008.

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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Balance sheet of the Bank of Italy: Assets

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

	Gold	residents de	Claims on non-euro-area residents denominated in foreign currency res		Claims on non-euro-area	Lend	Lending to euro-area financial sector counterparties					
	and gold receivables		of which: receivables from the IMF	residents denominated in foreign currency	nominated n foreign		Main refinancing operations	Longer-term refinancing operations	Fine-tuning reverse operations	Structural reverse operations		
	S034162M	S301577M	S347791M	S357439M	S382442M	S453206M	S486433M	S500879M	S511245M	S520655M		
005	34,279	21,629	2,513	6,930		21,392	21,073	204				
2006	38,050	19,485	1,444	6,857		20,967	20,568	388				
2007 - Mar	39,169	20,364	1,379	5,811		21,671	21,424	241				
Apr	39,226	20,174	1,296	5,714		19,466	18,145	1,317				
May	38,620	20,601	1,316	5,471		20,885	19,119	1,763				
June	37,970	21,851	1,313	4,367		20,826	18,819	2,006				
July	38,273	21,465	1,287	4,020		18,113	17,220	883				
Aug	38,652	20,985	1,258	5,207		18,963	17,807	1,142				
Sept	41,307	20,928	1,235	4,213		21,811	19,812	1,990				
Oct	43,078	20,633	1,206	4,335		9,338	7,314	1,995				
Nov	41,842	21,440	1,191	2,903		20,239	13,743	6,479				
Dec	44,793	19,281	1,169	5,052	1	28,081	22,222	5,848				
2008 - Jan	48,943	20,634	1,178	5,615	12	14,421	8,392	5,922				
Feb	50,493	19,953	1,164	4,475	12	16,042	15,036	882				
Mar	46,539	18,637	1,123	5,959	33	19,490	13,728	5,586	40			
Apr	44,183	20,704	1,128	4,584	3	10,460	4,756	5,593				

Table 2TAME0100

Balance sheet of the Bank of Italy: Liabilities

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

			Liabilities to euro-a	area financial secto	r counterparties de	nominated in euros	5	Liabilities to
	Banknotes in circulation		Current accounts (covering the minimum reserves system)	Deposit facility	Fixed-term deposits in euros	Fine-tuning reverse operations	Deposits related to margin calls	other euro-area residents denominated in euros
	S777534M	S781721M	S844034M	S914820M	S925268M	S936415M	S966752M	S976464M
2005	94,934	11,453	11,451	2				14,707
2006	105,519	17,159	17,157	2				22,964
2007 - Mar	101,752	16,031	16,028	4				28,654
Apr	103,064	16,139	16,138	1				21,111
May	103,714	12,918	12,917	1				26,178
June	104,982	19,426	19,425	2				38,083
July	106,179	14,508	14,505	3				41,569
Aug	105,664	13,333	13,330	3				37,666
Sept	105,681	17,315	17,314	1				32,126
Oct	106,434	11,805	11,804	1				34,030
Nov	107,076	19,172	19,171	1				25,232
Dec	112,213	42,623	35,071	2	7,550			9,881
2008 - Jan	107,570	12,886	12,885	2				35,673
Feb	108,127	17,011	17,009	2				28,600
Mar	109,267	24,473	24,471	1				40,453
Apr	110,754	14,459	14,456	2			1	43,020

den	ominated in eu	iros	Securities issued by	Intra-Eurosystem claims General			aims	0.1	
Marginal lending facility	Credits related to margin calls	Other claims	euro-area residents denominated in euros	government debt in euros		of which: partecipation in ECB capital	of which: claims deriving from the transfer of foreign reserves	Other assets	Total
S528886M	S540636M	S256390M	S555124M	S582769M	S538242M	S670688M	S683411M	S692767M	S726017M
		115	1,939	21,344	15,542	726	7,263	67,370	190,424
		10	1,977	19,793	30,845	726	7,263	83,811	221,785
		7	1,768	19,441	26,379	722	7,218	88,349	222,952
		4	1,767	19,205	21,670	722	7,218	89,768	216,990
		3	1,765	18,861	21,992	722	7,218	90,004	218,199
		1	1,704	18,460	40,768	722	7,218	89,946	235,892
		11	1,618	18,710	44,336	722	7,218	89,820	236,355
		14	1,554	18,752	38,390	722	7,218	89,488	231,991
		8	1,552	18,694	34,096	722	7,218	90,407	233,008
20		9		18,859	46,141	722	7,218	90,001	232,386
		17		18,807	35,656	722	7,218	89,328	230,215
		10		18,561	43,744	722	7,218	86,205	245,718
		107	1,292	18,994	47,504	722	7,218	86,072	243,488
		124	1,296	18,714	45,419	722	7,218	85,990	242,395
		137	1,289	18,642	61,382	722	7,218	87,085	259,056
		111	1,280	18,431	64,405	722	7,218	86,532	250,582

Table 2TAME0100

Liabilities to non-euro-area residents denominated in euros	Liabilities to euro-area residents denominated in foreign currency	Liabilities to non-euro-area residents denominated in foreign currency	Counterpart of SDRs allocated by the IMF	Revaluation accounts	Capital and reserves	Intra-Eurosystem liabilities	Other liabilities	Total
S011007M	S047488M	S082570M	S113582M	S143944M	S157776M	S695409M	S218927M	S229220M
91		1,627	851	25,994	16,235	8,101	16,432	190,42
88		866	802	26,674	16,771	14,209	16,732	221,78
206		713	796	27,229	16,771	13,770	17,029	222,95
214		879	787	26,558	16,771	14,216	17,253	216,99
162		814	790	25,192	16,771	13,603	18,057	218,19
212		1,001	788	23,949	16,771	13,065	17,614	235,89
214		286	785	24,368	16,771	13,739	17,937	236,35
172		781	785	25,299	16,771	13,143	18,378	231,99
192		389	771	27,932	16,771	13,113	18,717	233,00
187		431	764	30,011	16,771	13,029	18,925	232,38
153		2	757	28,347	16,772	13,474	19,231	230,21
88		2	754	31,318	17,300	16,245	15,294	245,71
369	378	3	754	35,954	19,496	14,264	16,141	243,48
345	380	3	746	36,989	19,496	14,015	16,683	242,39
286	350	2	731	32,957	19,496	14,038	17,005	259,05
225	349	2	734	30,394	19,496	13,950	17,199	250,58

Banking system's liquidity position: Italian contribution

(maintenance period average amounts in millions of euros)

				Liquidity-provi	iding factors		
Maintenance period ending in							Monetary policy
		Net assets in gold and foreign currency	Intra-Eurosystem net claims	Main refinancing operations	Longer-term refinancing operations	Marginal lending facility	Other liquidity-providing operations
month	day	S003675M	S246592M	S274091M	S283242M	S289794M	S297048M
2004	dec.	48,076	16,942	19,574	1,255	15	1
2005	dec.	52,750	15,302	22,330	498		1
2006 - June	14	57,342	15,230	14,641	2,268		
July	11	57,218	36,104	15,217	1,448	4	
Aug	8	56,396	43,394	16,969	617	11	
Sept	5	56,422	32,416	16,714	613		
Oct	10	56,325	31,597	16,432	608	20	16
Nov	7	56,749	31,275	16,378	605	1	
Dec	12	57,216	24,149	18,590	653		
2007 - Jan	16	56,830	24,073	20,296	467	3	
Feb	13	57,474	20,468	18,019	409		
Mar	13	57,948	14,971	19,973	375		
Apr	17	58,573	15,686	21,375	268	1	
May	14	59,262	17,112	18,314	958		
June	12	59,553	9,932	18,686	1,517		
July	10	59,893	19,176	18,702	1,876	1	
Aug	7	59,097	26,687	17,919	1,485		
Sept	11	58,541	29,858	15,197	1,082		818
Oct	9	59,414	35,974	15,612	1,988		
Nov	13	61,270	28,110	14,134	2,017	12	
Dec	11	62,268	31,219	12,505	4,949	5	
2008 - Jan	15	62,674	35,828	15,673	5,803	16	
Feb	12	65,309	29,515	10,348	5,889		
Mar	11	64,637	32,624	12,415	2,456	5	
Apr	15	64,762	44,510	11,044	3,793	43	74
May	13	67,352	46,650	6,530	5,610		

	L	iquidity-absorbing factor	S				
operations					Credit institutions'current accounts with the	Italian contribution to base money (a+b+c)	
Other liquidity-absorbing operations	Deposit facility (a)	Currency in circulation (b)	Central government deposits	Other factors (net)	central bank (c)	(2.2.0)	
S227610M	S303829M	S312726M	S343364M	S354855M	S398166M	S405722M	
91	12	89,930	35,735	-55,036	15,131	105,073	
39	5	102,158	25,986	-53,631	16,323	118,485	
	2	107,620	18,317	-53,410	16,951	124,574	
105	3	108,872	40,047	-56,284	17,247	126,122	
	2	110,983	48,658	-59,558	17,302	128,287	
120	3	111,295	38,494	-61,111	17,363	128,662	
	4	111,239	37,713	-61,186	17,228	128,471	
	4	112,121	36,633	-60,728	16,978	129,103	
	4	113,765	27,165	-60,566	20,239	134,008	
	9	117,123	22,225	-58,062	20,374	137,506	
	4	111,857	21,956	-57,584	20,137	131,998	
	8	112,733	19,073	-59,807	21,261	134,002	
35	3	114,579	20,469	-59,989	20,807	135,388	
	6	115,595	19,471	-60,082	20,656	136,256	
	22	115,934	12,856	-60,103	20,980	136,936	
	3	117,175	21,976	-60,730	21,226	138,404	
	220	118,860	25,972	-61,153	21,290	140,369	
96	5	118,885	25,622	-60,667	21,555	140,445	
207	375	118,664	32,530	-60,248	21,462	140,500	
1,262	9	119,048	19,954	-55,855	21,125	140,182	
330	2	120,151	22,651	-53,759	21,570	141,723	
8,804	6	124,652	16,278	-51,804	22,059	146,717	
	6	120,047	17,248	-47,980	21,740	141,793	
	2	121,102	17,660	-49,228	22,602	143,705	
	2	122,384	27,791	-48,728	22,776	145,162	
79	3	123,572	26,074	-45,985	22,400	145,975	

Table 4TAME0190

Eurosystem monetary policy operations allotted by the Bank of Italy through tenders

(millions of euros; interest rates as annual percentages; daily data)

	Amo	ount	Eine d	V	ariable-rate tender	6	Dura 1
Date of settlement	Bids	Allotment	Fixed-rate tenders	Minimum bid rate	Marginal rate	Weighted average rate	Running for () days
	S564033D	S889281D	S162532D	S022846D	S918373D	S928120D	S937249D
		MAIN R		ERATIONS			
2007 - Nov.28	16,254	13,743	-	4.00	4.18	4.20	7
2007 - Dec.5	14,875	12,691	-	4.00	4.18	4.19	7
2007 - Dec.12	17,341	15,699	-	4.00	4.18	4.20	7
2007 - Dec.19	23,410	20,807	-	4.00	4.21	4.21	16
2007 - Dec.28	3,143	1,416	-	4.00	4.25	4.25	7
2008 - Jan.4	17,376	8,472	-	4.00	4.18	4.19	5
2008 - Jan.9	17,832	7,643	-	4.00	4.20	4.20	7
2008 - Jan.16	15,027	14,060	-	4.00	4.16	4.20	7
2008 - Jan.23	14,797	10,545	-	4.00	4.16	4.19	7
2008 - Jan.30	14,621	8,392	-	4.00	4.18	4.19	7
2008 - Feb.6	12,270	8,397	-	4.00	4.17	4.19	7
2008 - Feb.13	9,633	7,549	-	4.00	4.10	4.18	7
2008 - Feb.20	15,282	13,171	-	4.00	4.10	4.16	7
2008 - Feb.27	17,673	15,036	-	4.00	4.10	4.15	7
2008 - Mar.5	16,385	13,903	-	4.00	4.11	4.13	7
2008 - Mar.12	19,030	15,582	-	4.00	4.12	4.17	7
2008 - Mar.19	19,111	16,108	-	4.00	4.16	4.18	7
2008 - Mar.26	15,812	13,728	-	4.00	4.23	4.26	7
2008 - Apr.2	13,012	771	-	4.00	4.21	4.24	7
2008 - Apr.9	8,853	6,350	-	4.00	4.23	4.24	7
2008 - Apr.16	12,984	9,898	-	4.00	4.21	4.25	7
2008 - Apr.23	9,231	7,454	-	4.00	4.21	4.24	7
2008 - Apr.30	7,388	4,756	-	4.00	4.26	4.26	7
2008 - May7	6,830	4,013	-	4.00	4.26	4.26	7

LONGER-TERM REFINANCING OPERATIONS

	S971139D	S980124D	S451687D		S991005D	S998351D	S007260D
2007 - Dec.20	400	400	-	-	4.48	4.48	98
2008 - Jan.31	2,120	120	-	-	4.25	4.27	92
2008 - Feb.21	3,000	-	-	-	-	-	91
2008 - Feb.28	2,300	300	-	-	4.17	4.20	91
2008 - Mar.13	3,140	1,127	-	-	4.25	4.32	91
2008 - Mar.27	7,188	4,038	-	-	4.46	4.48	91
2008 - Apr.3	3,820	-	-	-	-	-	189
2008 - May2	2,185	158	-	-	4.67	4.70	90

OTHER OPERATIONS

	S450762D	S937242D	S952858D	S793304D	S967007D	S980452D	S991423D
2008 - Mar.31	40	40	-	4.00	4.07	4.07	1
2008 - Apr.15	-	-	4.00	-	-	-	1
2008 - May13	-3,050	-2,208	4.00	-	-	-	1

Minimum reserve statistics:

Reserve base of banks residents in Italy subject to reserve requirements

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

			% reserve coefficient is lied	Liabilities to w	hich a 0% reserve coeffic	ient is applied
	Total liabilities subject to the reserve requirement	Deposits (overnight, up to 2 years' agreed maturity; redeemable at notice up to 2 years)	Debt securities up to 2 years' agreed maturity and money market paper	Deposits (over 2 years' agreed maturity; redeemable at notice over 2 years)	Repos	Debt securities over 2 years' agreed maturity
	S818869M	S857599M	S912913M	S941509M	S951125M	S957661M
2005	1,466,207	847,988	7,071	41,013	96,549	473,587
2006	1,760,712	1,049,700	15,355	53,683	111,124	530,850
2007 - Mar	1,787,159	1,029,635	20,552	55,121	136,490	545,360
Apr	1,794,728	1,040,586	21,662	54,177	129,307	548,997
May	1,809,809	1,042,537	22,689	53,622	135,440	555,521
June	1,819,901	1,056,296	23,132	53,612	129,088	557,773
July	1,812,775	1,049,260	24,360	51,909	129,814	557,432
Aug	1,794,750	1,032,874	24,928	51,074	126,916	558,958
Sept	1,806,478	1,054,472	25,502	50,509	119,600	556,394
Oct	1,842,735	1,075,194	29,002	50,564	125,486	562,490
Nov	1,829,805	1,057,877	30,397	50,563	126,467	564,501
Dec	1,875,720	1,099,420	32,439	49,778	124,856	569,226
2008 - Jan	1,883,479	1,088,549	33,877	51,522	132,053	577,478
Feb	1,903,828	1,083,713	35,898	51,882	136,707	595,627
Mar	1,923,973	1,099,700	38,076	50,850	136,712	598,634
Apr	(1,959,822)	(1,124,801)	(40,199)	(52,474)	(136,366)	(605,982)

Table 6 TAME0140

Minimum reserve statistics

Reserve maintenance by banks resident in Italy

(average maintenance period amounts in millions of euros; interest rates as annual percentage)

Maintenance period ending in		Required reserves	Actual reserves	Excess reserves	Deficiencies	Interest rate on minimum reserves
month	day	S966619M	S999640M	S010530M	S056748M	S246450M
2005	dec.	16,279	16,323	44		2.07
2006	dec.	20,184	20,239	56		3.30
2007 - Apr	17	20,759	20,807	49		3.81
May	14	20,608	20,656	48	1	3.82
June	12	20,929	20,980	51		3.80
July	10	21,170	21,225	55		4.06
Aug	7	21,230	21,290	60		4.06
Sept	11	21,513	21,555	42		4.09
Oct	9	21,397	21,462	65		4.18
Nov	13	21,081	21,125	44		4.12
Dec	11	21,524	21,570	46		4.17
2008 - Jan	15	22,008	22,058	50		4.20
Feb	12	21,690	21,740	50		4.17
Mar	11	22,561	22,602	41		4.10
Apr	15	22,372	22,400	28		4.19
May	13	22,316	22,399	84		4.24

Italian component of the aggregated balance sheet of the Eurosystem: Assets

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

		Loans to euro-	area residents		Holdings of securi	ties other than sh	ares issued by eur	o-area residents
		Other MFIs	General government	Other euro-area residents		Other MFIs	General government	Other euro-area residents
	S277844M	S317871M	S345435M	S356398M	S364530M	S393665M	S402393M	S422928M
2005	25,111	25,077	34		70,769	3,403	67,318	48
2006	25,578	25,544	34		83,265	2,435	80,783	47
2007 - Mar	25,278	25,245	34		87,032	2,393	84,597	42
Apr	22,924	22,890	34		87,785	2,440	85,304	40
	24,154	24,120	34		87,411	2,390	84,984	38
June	23,465	23,431	34		86,261	1,916	84,309	36
July	20,539	20,505	34		86,307	1,831	84,442	34
Aug	22,697	22,663	34		85,791	1,710	84,049	32
Sept	24,600	24,567	34		85,595	1,641	83,905	49
Oct	12,569	12,535	34		83,251	1,336	81,888	28
Nov	22,392	22,358	34		82,748	986	81,738	24
Dec	32,741	32,707	34		81,737	628	81,085	24
2008 - Jan	19,735	19,696	39		83,864	554	83,286	24
Feb	19,950	19,911	39		83,860	821	83,015	24
Mar	24,910	24,871	39		83,447	792	82,632	23
Apr	14,625	14,586	39		82,159	666	81,470	23

Table 8TAME0115

Italian component of the aggregated balance sheet of the Eurosystem: Liabilities

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

			Dep	osits of euro-area resider	nts	
	Currency in circulation		Other MFIs	Central government	Other general government	Other euro-area residents
	S579292M	S621151M	S634799M	S216801M	S647250M	S655596M
2005	106,144	26,160	11,453	14,662		45
2006	117,873	40,123	17,159	22,945		19
2007 - Mar	113,827	44,685	16,031	28,642		11
Apr	115,267	37,250	16,139	21,095		16
May	115,996	39,096	12,918	26,159		19
June	117,403	57,509	19,426	38,068		15
July	118,721	56,077	14,508	41,541		28
Aug	118,174	50,998	13,333	37,652		13
Sept	118,215	49,441	17,315	32,113		13
Oct	119,060	45,835	11,805	34,012		18
Nov	119,784	44,404	19,172	25,099		132
Dec	125,380	52,504	42,623	9,715		166
2008 - Jan	120,344	48,938	12,886	36,051		
Feb	120,979	45,991	17,011	28,980		
Mar	122,232	65,276	24,473	40,803		
Apr	(123,865)	57,828	14,459	43,369		

Holdings of shares/otl	her equity issued by	euro-area residents	External				
	Other MFIs	Other euro-area residents	assets	Fixed assets	Intra-Eurosystem claims	Remaining assets	Total assets
S435801M	S485975M	S509035M	S518011M	S530401M	S050339M	S551870M	S571292M
7,281		7,281	56,919	4,017	15,696	14,140	193,933
8,191		8,191	58,497	3,888	30,845	15,131	225,396
8,286		8,286	60,565	3,893	26,379	15,136	226,569
8,659		8,659	60,440	3,895	21,670	15,249	220,622
8,816		8,816	60,304	3,896	21,992	15,280	221,852
8,687		8,687	60,930	3,872	40,768	15,276	239,259
8,430		8,430	60,866	3,873	44,336	15,388	239,739
8,486		8,486	60,777	3,878	38,390	15,368	235,387
8,590		8,590	63,363	3,879	34,096	15,570	235,694
8,806		8,806	64,831	3,881	46,141	15,619	235,098
8,455		8,455	64,383	3,882	35,656	15,437	232,953
8,451		8,451	65,173	3,705	43,744	14,008	249,558
7,278		7,278	70,674	3,755	47,504	14,529	247,339
7,301		7,301	71,527	3,755	45,419	14,463	246,275
6,939		6,939	66,255	3,756	61,382	14,655	261,34
7,261		7,261	65,950	3,757	64,405	(14,731)	(252,888

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Debt securities issued/ money market paper	Capital and reserves	External liabilities	Intra-Eurosystem liabilities	Remaining liabilities	Total liabilities
S667176M	S677715M	S686227M	S155600M	S704674M	S713270M
-	42,243	2,569		16,816	193,933
-	43,579	1,757	5,033	17,031	225,396
-	44,681	1,716	4,922	16,737	226,569
-	44,357	1,879	5,254	16,615	220,622
-	43,765	1,765	4,584	16,645	221,852
-	41,817	2,001	3,937	16,591	239,259
-	42,658	1,284	4,506	16,494	239,739
-	44,171	1,738	3,955	16,351	235,387
-	45,863	1,353	3,923	16,898	235,694
-	48,380	1,382	3,774	16,667	235,098
-	47,418	911	4,163	16,273	232,953
-	48,712	844	6,487	15,630	249,558
-	55,981	1,126	4,910	16,040	247,339
-	57,584	1,094	4,612	16,014	246,275
-	51,991	1,018	4,537	16,292	261,345
-	49,706	961	4,319	16,208	(252,888)

Table 9TAME0210

Italian components of the monetary aggregates of the euro area: Residents of the euro area

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

	Currency held by the public and overnight deposits	Deposits with agreed maturity up to 2 years	Deposits redeemable at notice up to 3 months	Total	Repurchase agreements
	S026473M	S185934M	S195243M	S294296M	S222525M
2005	722,618	48,860	203,883	975,361	75,190
2006	774,125	59,894	214,210	1,048,229	95,337
2007 - Mar	752,207	58,494	215,401	1,026,101	112,371
Apr	767,000	56,707	215,218	1,038,925	105,849
May	765,114	56,054	214,339	1,035,508	110,019
June	776,031	57,032	212,099	1,045,162	108,101
July	768,219	58,148	211,135	1,037,502	110,335
Aug	745,539	57,774	211,483	1,014,796	109,324
Sept	766,865	58,541	211,014	1,036,420	103,277
Oct	768,567	50,988	251,087	1,070,642	106,590
Nov	760,178	52,796	252,691	1,065,665	105,459
Dec	798,138	55,536	258,261	1,111,935	107,962
2008 - Jan	782,998	56,158	259,131	1,098,287	112,770
Feb	774,365	60,141	259,901	1,094,407	116,483
Mar	785,586	60,790	260,910	1,107,285	116,534
Apr	(802,658)	(60,050)	(260,878)	(1,123,586)	(122,624)

Table 10TAME0220

Italian components of the monetary aggregates of the euro area: Residents of the euro area

(flows in millions of euros)

	Currency held by the public and overnight deposits	Deposits with agreed maturity up to 2 years	Deposits redeemable at notice up to 3 months	Total	Repurchase agreements
	S334157M	S310731M	S320642M	S352424M	S345934M
2005	58,761	2,630	19,521	80,912	3,868
2006	52,534	11,853	10,332	74,719	20,165
2007 - Mar	6,456	3,169	958	10,582	7,791
Apr	15,073	-1,529	-181	13,362	-6,516
May	-1,921	-693	-879	-3,494	4,169
June	9,498	867	-1,544	8,821	-1,916
July	-7,840	1,100	-963	-7,703	2,233
Aug	-22,823	-500	347	-22,976	-1,015
Sept	21,656	1,107	-467	22,296	-6,039
Oct	1,776	1,136	281	3,193	3,318
Nov	-8,771	2,244	1,605	-4,921	-1,132
Dec	38,006	2,794	5,570	46,371	2,505
2008 - Jan	-15,244	408	869	-13,967	4,804
Feb	-8,515	4,138	770	-3,607	3,715
Mar	11,410	927	1,010	13,346	53
Apr	(17,199)	(-569)	(-31)	(16,599)	(6,092)

	Money market fund shares/units	Debts securities up to 2 years	Total monetary		on to euro-area monetary agg ding currency held by the pub	
		and money market paper	liabilities	M1	M2	М3
ļ	S233288M	S244529M	S314580M	S995653M	S612973M	S633960M
	86,638	3,495	1,140,684	625,423	878,165	1,043,488
	74,212	13,713	1,231,491	666,804	940,909	1,124,171
	71,255	19,609	1,229,336	646,112	920,006	1,123,241
	70,608	20,083	1,235,466	660,313	932,238	1,128,778
	70,309	21,012	1,236,848	657,417	927,810	1,129,150
	70,109	21,641	1,245,013	666,916	936,046	1,135,898
	68,003	24,340	1,240,181	658,136	927,419	1,130,098
	70,177	25,004	1,219,300	635,634	904,891	1,109,396
	70,609	25,770	1,236,076	656,866	926,422	1,126,077
	70,524	28,176	1,275,932	658,093	960,167	1,165,458
	71,220	29,860	1,272,203	648,973	954,460	1,160,999
	71,541	31,874	1,323,312	684,415	998,212	1,209,589
	72,030	33,226	1,316,313	671,083	986,373	1,204,398
	72,210	35,505	1,318,605	661,472	981,514	1,205,712
	66,396	36,511	1,326,726	672,407	994,107	1,213,548
	(65,681)	(37,387)	(1,349,278)	(687,478)	(1,008,406)	(1,234,097)

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Money market	Debt securities up to 2 years	Total	Contributior (exclud	n to euro-area monetary aggre ing currency held by the publi	egates ic)
fund shares/units	and money market paper	monetary liabilities	M1	M2	М3
S354990M	S379096M	S365333M	S646203M	S656313M	S666306M
-13,501	711	71,990	46,875	69,022	60,09
-3,708	10,403	101,579	42,409	64,592	91,45
720	1,837	20,930	4,561	8,687	19,03
-647	445	6,644	14,481	12,770	6,05
-336	989	1,329	-2,932	-4,504	31
-200	507	7,213	8,080	7,404	5,79
-1,196	2,992	-3,675	-8,807	-8,671	-4,64
2,173	749	-21,068	-22,644	-22,797	-20,89
432	848	17,537	21,561	22,202	17,44
-84	2,394	8,822	1,300	2,717	8,34
695	1,785	-3,573	-9,501	-5,651	-4,30
321	1,793	50,989	35,487	43,852	48,47
1,131	1,205	-6,828	-13,435	-12,158	-5,01
180	2,308	2,597	-9,493	-4,585	1,61
367	1,023	14,790	11,125	13,061	14,50
(-715)	(947)	(22,922)	(15,197)	(14,597)	(20,920

Counterparts of money: Residents of the euro area

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

				Other liabilit	ties of MFIs		
	T		Non	-monetary liabilities to t	the "money-holding sect	or"	
	Total monetary liabilities	Deposits of central government	Depositis with agreed maturity over 2 years and deposits redeemable at notice over 3 months	Debt securities over 2 years' agreed maturity	Capital and reserves	Total	Liabilities to non-residents of the euro area
ļ	S314580M	S401859M	S685586M	S430860M	S443687M	S452703M	S477662M
2005	1,140,684	23,797	4,712	388,132	152,604	545,448	182,041
2006	1,231,491	32,875	6,751	428,599	140,024	575,374	195,742
2007 - Mar	1,229,336	36,690	6,187	445,310	156,722	608,219	205,100
Apr	1,235,466	30,067	5,946	446,243	158,847	611,035	201,971
May	1,236,848	36,415	6,125	451,508	147,577	605,210	206,961
June	1,245,013	47,993	6,382	454,629	154,416	615,427	212,957
July	1,240,181	52,034	6,211	454,048	158,975	619,234	209,603
Aug	1,219,300	47,002	5,204	456,570	159,368	621,143	215,178
Sept	1,236,076	41,886	5,581	453,063	161,931	620,574	210,553
Oct	1,275,932	47,622	12,442	465,491	184,572	662,505	232,210
Nov	1,272,203	38,550	12,420	468,118	183,526	664,064	224,786
Dec	1,323,312	23,270	12,274	470,352	186,258	668,883	215,763
2008 - Jan	1,316,313	49,727	14,303	469,737	194,720	678,760	217,909
Feb	1,318,605	42,628	14,343	475,036	190,827	680,206	218,513
Mar	1,326,726	54,783	14,136	475,861	185,947	675,944	221,133
Apr	(1,349,278)	(57,992)	(15,459)	(481,710)	(180,428)	(677,598)	(224,552)

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Counterparts of money: Residents of the euro area

(flows in millions of euros)

				Other liabilit	ties of MFIs		
	T ()		Nor	n-monetary liabilities to	the "money-holding sect	or"	
	Total monetary liabilities	Deposits of central gevernment	Deposits with agreed maturity over 2 years and deposits redeemable at notice over 3 months	Debt securities over 2 years' agreed maturity	Capital and reserves	Total	Liabilities to non-residents of the euro area
ļ	S365333M	S614462M	S504484M	S643023M	S655271M	S663170M	S670564M
2005	71,990	707	918	21,089	21,367	43,374	17,248
2006	101,579	9,078	2,440	43,100	-4,765	40,775	19,900
2007 - Mar	20,930	-10,150	-177	3,257	2,694	5,774	7,627
Apr	6,644	-6,623	-242	1,095	-2,081	-1,228	-3,132
May	1,329	6,348	179	4,973	-11,400	-6,247	4,987
June	7,213	11,579	257	2,671	7,746	10,673	5,992
July	-3,675	4,041	-172	-169	4,373	4,033	-3,358
Aug	-21,068	-5,032	-1,006	2,301	250	1,545	5,574
Sept	17,537	-5,116	378	-3,040	2,596	-66	-4,627
Oct	8,822	986	97	3,285	7,566	10,949	20,807
Nov	-3,573	-9,072	-23	3,073	-1,148	1,902	-7,425
Dec	50,989	-15,281	-145	1,967	1,872	3,694	-8,961
2008 - Jan	-6,828	26,011	2,029	-884	6,328	7,472	2,145
Feb	2,597	-7,092	41	5,818	-4,050	1,809	605
Mar	14,790	12,162	-205	790	-5,144	-4,559	2,630
Apr	(22,922)	(3,204)	(1,323)	(6,084)	(-5,668)	(1,740)	(3,419)

					Assets of MFIs				
				euro area	and the rest of the	esidents of Italy a	Claims on r		
Other counterpar	Claims on			ner residents	Finance to ot		rnment	e to general gover	Finance
ea	non-residents of the euro area	Total	Total	Holdings of shares/ other equity	Bonds	Loans	Total	Bonds	Loans
S090607	S590393M	S578891M	S569330M	S560093M	S551764M	S539135M	S528658M	S517303M	S508121M
150,07	113,287	1,628,604	1,319,205	71,361	38,150	1,209,694	309,399	252,212	57,187
128,58	125,633	1,781,267	1,463,945	78,744	39,441	1,345,760	317,322	257,597	59,725
108,73	135,591	1,835,020	1,500,353	87,251	37,934	1,375,168	334,667	274,338	60,329
79,64	139,990	1,858,904	1,520,413	92,985	38,391	1,389,037	338,491	275,317	63,174
65,1	146,428	1,873,889	1,530,921	97,604	39,262	1,394,055	342,968	282,415	60,553
90,60	136,519	1,894,266	1,551,896	92,513	39,443	1,419,941	342,370	281,635	60,735
91,04	140,493	1,889,510	1,551,415	83,766	39,135	1,428,514	338,095	278,288	59,807
87,5	139,906	1,875,166	1,548,214	83,571	38,846	1,425,797	326,952	267,524	59,428
94,94	131,472	1,882,673	1,559,736	84,811	37,751	1,437,174	322,937	263,046	59,891
-11,6	143,042	2,086,877	1,601,244	101,365	38,187	1,461,693	485,632	271,613	214,019
-52,68	144,129	2,108,162	1,620,036	98,281	37,792	1,483,963	488,126	270,742	217,384
-12,36	125,086	2,118,508	1,631,311	101,022	46,385	1,483,904	487,196	263,977	223,220
-2,6	133,335	2,131,985	1,635,307	96,730	45,290	1,493,287	496,678	271,274	225,404
-12,2	127,570	2,144,602	1,646,503	97,830	48,023	1,500,650	498,099	272,786	225,313
10,51	121,471	2,146,603	1,649,894	95,746	48,671	1,505,476	496,709	268,827	227,882
(21,30	(121,347)	(2,166,764)	(1,672,947)	(104,620)	(54,256)	(1,514,071)	(493,817)	(266,021)	(227,796)

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					Assets of MFIs				
				e euro area	and the rest of the	esidents of Italy a	Claims on r		
Other counterparts	Claims on			her residents	Finance to ot		rnment	e to general gover	Finance
	non-residents of the euro area	Total	Total	Holdings of shares/other equity	Bonds	Loans	Total	Bonds	Loans
S258764M	S748692M	S741113M	S733156M	S725899M	S717344M	S704009M	S694706M	S685772M	S678231M
20,31	-444	113,447	106,995	3,263	4,579	99,153	6,452	1,897	4,555
-19,52	16,412	174,449	157,865	7,449	5,145	145,271	16,584	14,045	2,539
3,34	3,127	17,711	16,025	4,199	-502	12,329	1,685	1,937	-252
-31,74	4,590	22,812	18,762	4,461	-35	14,336	4,050	1,205	2,846
-14,76	5,640	15,538	10,454	3,610	810	6,033	5,085	7,706	-2,621
21,94	-9,800	23,312	22,718	-3,990	222	26,486	594	412	182
-82	4,738	-2,875	770	-8,144	43	8,872	-3,645	-2,717	-928
-2,55	-660	-15,761	-3,172	-500	-65	-2,607	-12,589	-12,210	-380
6,35	-7,284	8,657	12,673	1,103	-891	12,462	-4,016	-4,479	463
-41	10,087	31,887	23,714	2,294	951	20,469	8,173	8,362	-189
-41,54	1,631	21,743	20,057	-2,024	-702	22,783	1,685	-1,680	3,365
36,52	-18,650	12,568	12,008	1,708	7,991	2,309	560	-5,275	5,836
6,35	8,404	14,048	8,248	-1,282	234	9,297	5,799	3,653	2,146
-9,50	-5,554	12,982	11,152	682	2,706	7,763	1,830	1,921	-91
20,14	-6,041	10,915	5,788	-576	886	5,478	5,127	2,557	2,570
(10,438	(90)	(20,756)	(22,657)	(8,111)	(5,668)	(8,878)	(-1,900)	(-1,814)	(-86)

Monetary assets and other financial instruments: Residents of Italy

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

			во	Ta	Medium and long-term securities				
	Total monetary	Other	во	15	Government securities		Other debt securities		
	assets (M3)	deposits		held by: non-money- market funds		held by non-money- market funds		held by non-money- market funds	
	S386171M	S776352M	S799200M	S560066M	S845801M	S970614M	S862672M	S979038M	
2004	1,059,465	32,500	29,289	6,084	370,248	64,398	456,032	6,359	
2005	1,133,447	27,775	12,707	4,585	315,291	58,254	500,702	7,157	
2006 - Nov	1,171,700	25,325	31,964	5,792	356,109	51,433	554,328	7,937	
Dec	1,220,391	25,314	25,594	5,048	320,595	51,193	561,275	7,800	
2007 - Jan	1,195,718	25,214	31,990	4,663	325,461	52,593	564,241	8,165	
Feb	1,198,674	25,077	36,308	4,239	324,924	52,278	573,430	8,014	
Mar	1,219,037	25,036	39,606	5,205	335,017	51,040	576,907	8,128	
Apr	1,225,769	25,137	37,799	6,063	341,679	48,035	578,105	8,059	
May	1,227,996	25,439	38,970	6,061	353,732	47,503	588,991	8,174	
June	1,234,675	25,862	37,953	5,731	366,109	45,901	595,518	8,178	
July	1,228,340	26,341	41,426	5,852	371,038	45,124	597,620	7,849	
Aug	1,210,552	26,779	44,321	6,537	371,729	44,954	599,663	7,744	
Sept	1,226,855	27,310	40,937	6,259	371,448	46,195	596,172	7,772	
Oct	1,266,566	9,711	43,954	5,475	369,383	43,839	599,933	7,809	
Nov	1,260,882	9,476	43,600	6,128	360,164	42,029	605,552	7,811	
Dec	1,313,085	9,233	33,484	5,830	357,359	41,811	612,519	7,711	

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Monetary assets and other financial instruments: Residents of Italy

(flows in millions of euros)

			во	T-	Medium and long-term securities				
	Total monetary	Other	во	-IS -	Government	securities	Other debt	securities	
	assets (M3)	deposits		held by non-money- market funds		held by non-money- market funds		held by non-money- market funds	
	S473237M	S031393M	S038697M	S019132M	S096154M	S024147M	S113734M	S029150M	
2005	71,385	-4,727	-16,365	-495	-46,779	-4,023	43,672	888	
2006	98,140	-2,060	12,569	540	-14,060	-8,230	66,619	614	
2006 - Nov	838	724	-428	327	2,520	-160	6,727	24	
Dec	48,948	-11	-6,017	-703	-3,224	-20	6,817	-63	
2007 - Jan	-23,142	-101	6,346	-350	-190	1,517	-37	393	
Feb	3,098	-136	4,261	-388	3,228	-461	9,738	-155	
Mar	20,514	-41	3,270	1,017	5,111	-1,083	3,004	156	
Apr	7,255	100	-1,875	900	1,863	-2,873	1,312	-53	
May	2,155	302	1,167	68	5,221	-311	10,368	142	
June	5,867	423	-1,044	-328	4,684	-1,416	5,786	22	
July	-5,222	479	3,473	110	9,008	-904	2,608	-247	
Aug	-17,973	438	2,988	704	2,623	-344	2,204	-64	
Sept	17,078	532	-3,403	-284	-1,328	1,295	-2,625	74	
Oct	8,681	632	3,094	-778	6,513	-2,311	3,899	42	
Nov	-5,647	-235	-313	648	-7,666	-1,928	6,296	47	
Dec	52,160	-242	-10,097	-327	-7,546	-60	6,660	-33	

Other for an eight	Total domestic	External financ (<i>excluding shares</i>		Total financial instruments	Memorandum item: Open-end non-money-market funds			
Other financial instruments	financial instruments		held by	(excluding shares and other equity)	Holding of	shares	Shares/units	
	(a)	(b)	non-money- market funds	(a+b)	Domestic	External	issued	
S928638M	S399884M	S972854M	S984054M	S425791M	S989522M	S995536M	S011658M	
13,421	1,960,955	529,495	102,692	2,490,451	18,636	65,870	288,933	
13,779	2,003,700	715,726	127,123	2,719,427	20,022	71,668	314,429	
13,940	2,153,367	800,209	124,164	2,953,576	19,236	65,034	296,340	
13,923	2,167,092	805,682	123,588	2,972,774	19,364	65,838	295,815	
14,128	2,156,753	817,969	122,829	2,974,723	19,491	65,802	294,728	
14,095	2,172,508	819,385	119,083	2,991,893	18,615	63,197	289,904	
13,959	2,209,562	819,443	118,268	3,029,005	18,684	61,964	287,155	
13,825	2,222,313	821,920	118,899	3,044,234	19,288	62,070	286,993	
14,028	2,249,155	836,128	119,889	3,085,283	18,546	61,797	285,518	
13,839	2,273,957	841,458	118,582	3,115,415	17,839	59,570	280,040	
13,611	2,278,376	834,471	115,814	3,112,847	16,976	55,373	271,503	
13,422	2,266,466	838,944	115,296	3,105,410	16,642	52,975	267,911	
13,445	2,276,167	834,057	112,346	3,110,224	15,891	52,618	265,270	
13,126	2,302,673	812,941	112,690	3,115,614	15,939	53,332	263,990	
13,030	2,292,704	814,169	110,225	3,106,872	14,455	47,712	254,532	
13,295	2,338,976	811,052	109,731	3,150,028	13,757	45,740	250,302	

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Other fire a sight	Total domestic	External financi (excluding shares		Total financial instruments	Memorandum item: Open-end non-money-market funds			
Other financial instruments	financial instruments		held by non-money-	(excluding shares and other equity)	Holding of	shares	Shares/units	
	(a)	(b)	market funds	(a+b)	Domestic	External	issued	
S159623M	S491060M	S175730M	S035295M	S491060M	S048229M	S055400M	S059813M	
357	47,543	159,795	21,110	207,338	-1,153	-8,539	26,847	
144	161,352	101,796	-1,279	263,148	-4,066	-11,585	-27,442	
153	10,535	7,626	-1,845	18,161	-513	-776	-2,748	
-17	46,495	4,408	-542	50,902	-440	-1,385	-525	
205	-16,917	9,892	-1,116	-7,024	-390	-1,174	-2,809	
-34	20,154	3,932	-3,749	24,087	-586	-1,510	-4,824	
-136	31,721	145	-746	31,867	-380	-2,143	-2,749	
-133	8,521	3,396	741	11,917	-269	-1,224	-162	
202	19,416	10,829	362	30,244	-621	-2,480	-1,438	
-189	15,528	7,064	-854	22,593	-283	-2,115	-5,478	
-228	10,118	-2,955	-2,394	7,163	-192	-2,596	-9,447	
-189	-9,910	3,701	147	-6,209	-94	-1,814	-3,592	
23	10,278	-1,066	-2,736	9,211	-493	-960	-2,641	
-319	22,502	-20,425	-344	2,076	-291	-724	-1,280	
-96	-7,661	4,944	-1,058	-2,717	-536	-2,581	-9,458	
265	41,200	-2,565	-338	38,635	-456	-1,488	-4,230	

Credit: Residents of Italy

(end-of-period amounts in million of euros)

			Finance to oth	ner residents		
	Bank loans	Bonds placed o	domestically	Total domestic finance	External finance	Total
	A	в	<i>of which</i> : held by Italian MFIs	C=A+B	D	E=C+D
	S149181M	S391111M	S401409M	S410010M	S447932M	S474871M
2004	1,107,883	116,461	25,135	1,224,345	248,467	1,472,812
2005	1,193,141	146,309	28,232	1,339,451	276,948	1,616,398
2006 - Nov	1,312,936	163,236	26,504	1,476,172	292,816	1,768,988
Dec	1,324,727	169,256	26,327	1,493,983	296,293	1,790,276
2007 - Jan	1,333,302	168,607	25,356	1,501,909	295,117	1,797,025
Feb	1,342,136	167,546	25,160	1,509,682	295,304	1,804,986
Mar	1,353,725	166,837	24,188	1,520,562	301,411	1,821,973
Apr	1,365,070	166,957	24,213	1,532,027	304,430	1,836,457
May	1,369,409	172,863	24,824	1,542,272	308,273	1,850,545
June	1,392,727	176,820	25,375	1,569,547	316,138	1,885,686
July	1,397,486	179,734	25,539	1,577,220	312,883	1,890,103
Aug	1,393,751	179,183	25,165	1,572,934	309,632	1,882,566
Sept	1,404,081	178,340	24,217	1,582,421	307,944	1,890,365
Oct	1,429,865	169,740	23,564	1,599,605	305,651	1,905,256
Nov	1,451,768	171,577	23,397	1,623,345	305,764	1,929,109
Dec	1,455,115	183,512	31,061	1,638,628	308,003	1,946,631

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Credit: Residents of Italy

(flows in millions of euros)

			Finance to oth	ner residents			
	Bank loans	Bonds placed	domestically	Total domestic finance	External finance	Total	
	A	В	<i>of which</i> : held by Italian MFIs	C=A+B	D	E=C+D	
	S654882M	S663724M	S674053M	S680770M	S689614M	S698877M	
2005	95,987	29,350	4,073	125,337	28,540	153,877	
2006	141,012	22,067	-555	163,079	20,182	183,261	
2006 - Nov	29,260	4,344	-248	33,604	5,317	38,921	
Dec	13,088	5,791	-51	18,879	3,683	22,562	
2007 - Jan	8,723	-920	-607	7,803	-1,017	6,786	
Feb	9,157	-805	-4	8,352	79	8,431	
Mar	11,928	-792	-599	11,137	6,265	17,402	
Apr	11,770	21	-49	11,791	3,214	15,005	
May	5,388	5,625	523	11,013	4,069	15,082	
June	23,905	3,651	451	27,556	8,109	35,665	
July	5,039	2,956	331	7,995	-3,257	4,738	
Aug	-2,677	-342	-220	-3,019	-3,424	-6,443	
Sept	11,359	-607	-919	10,752	-1,628	9,124	
Oct	21,703	710	-253	22,413	-2,333	20,080	
Nov	22,384	2,147	-856	24,531	17	24,548	
Dec	5,558	11,910	6,998	17,468	2,414	19,882	

C	General government debt		Crea	dit		
	of which: held	domestically	Total domestic	Total	Memorandum item: shares issued domestically held by Italian MFIs	
F	G	<i>of which</i> : held by Italian MFIs	H=G+C	I=E+F		
S486795M	S520128M	S513307M	S562034M	S601564M	S625987M	
1,444,603	1,338,188	259,759	2,562,532	2,917,415	52,741	
1,511,534	1,399,986	273,974	2,739,437	3,127,932	56,906	
1,608,703	1,500,959	416,143	2,977,131	3,377,692	63,883	
1,575,630	1,471,751	415,747	2,965,734	3,365,906	59,440	
1,590,784	1,487,556	423,747	2,989,464	3,387,809	61,149	
1,598,447	1,495,602	427,555	3,005,284	3,403,433	60,718	
1,605,989	1,502,651	429,364	3,023,213	3,427,962	61,503	
1,609,952	1,506,362	433,119	3,038,389	3,446,409	66,147	
1,626,702	1,522,540	433,422	3,064,811	3,477,247	69,452	
1,620,324	1,514,526	429,251	3,084,073	3,506,010	69,347	
1,622,610	1,519,524	430,792	3,096,744	3,512,713	60,539	
1,618,941	1,516,301	420,729	3,089,235	3,501,507	60,696	
1,618,412	1,519,125	419,094	3,101,546	3,508,777	61,974	
1,629,185	1,529,917	425,866	3,129,522	3,534,441	77,165	
1,625,623	1,525,863	429,167	3,149,208	3,554,733	73,913	
1,596,705	1,499,215	431,192	3,137,842	3,543,336	76,850	

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G	General government debt		Credit			
	of which: held de	omestically	Total domestic	Total	Memorandum item: shares issued domestically	
F	F G		H=G+C	I=E+F	held by Italian MFIs	
S707215M	S717309M	S887210M	S737811M	S746824M	S756919M	
69,421	65,439	14,214	190,776	223,298	3,11	
54,393	61,261	141,773	224,340	237,655	2,49	
8,697	6,637	1,061	40,242	47,618	-2,63	
-19,116	-15,295	-396	3,584	3,446	-3,94	
3,043	3,802	8,000	11,605	9,829	1,37	
3,590	3,881	3,808	12,233	12,021	47	
16,754	16,226	1,809	27,363	34,156	45	
11,521	11,168	3,755	22,959	26,526	3,51	
10,711	10,206	304	21,219	25,793	2,84	
-19,050	-20,691	-4,171	6,865	16,615	44	
-2,219	427	1,541	8,422	2,518	-8,18	
119	568	-10,063	-2,452	-6,324	-29	
5,997	9,186	-1,634	19,938	15,121	94	
8,840	8,771	6,771	31,184	28,921	2,43	
5,049	4,589	3,302	29,120	29,598	-1,80	
-13,888	-11,610	2,025	5,858	5,994	1,62	

Main financial and credit aggregates

(12-month percentage changes)

			euro area moneta currency held by		Financia	I assets	Finance to ot	her residents	Cre	edit
		M1	M2	M3	Domestic	Total	Domestic	Total	Total domestic	Total
		S675268M	S684830M	S699421M	S132664M	S143919M	S176504M	S186276M	S200361M	S212222M
2006 - N	Nov.	5.2	6.1	7.7	7.6	9.9	12.9	12.2	8.2	7.9
C	Dec.	6.8	7.4	8.8	7.9	9.6	12.2	11.4	8.1	7.5
2007 - J	Jan	5.3	5.9	7.7	7.9	9.3	12.1	11.2	8.0	7.3
F	⁻ eb.	5.0	5.3	8.2	8.0	9.0	12.1	11.2	7.8	7.2
N	Mar.	4.6	5.1	8.9	9.1	8.7	12.1	11.7	7.7	7.4
А	Apr	4.3	4.6	7.8	8.5	8.3	11.8	11.7	7.5	7.4
N	May.	3.6	3.8	6.7	8.7	8.5	11.6	11.8	7.2	7.3
J	June	4.9	4.4	6.8	8.7	8.6	11.6	12.0	7.2	7.3
J	July .	4.8	4.1	6.1	8.5	8.2	11.3	11.4	7.2	7.1
А	Aug.	4.8	3.7	5.3	7.8	7.7	11.0	11.0	6.6	6.6
S	Sept.	5.0	3.8	4.8	7.5	7.3	10.5	10.3	6.5	6.1
C	Oct	3.9	3.6	5.7	7.9	6.7	11.7	10.8	6.9	6.5
Ν	Nov.	3.6	3.8	5.3	7.0	5.9	10.8	9.8	6.5	5.9
C	Dec.	2.4	2.7	5.0	6.6	5.4	10.6	9.5	6.5	6.0
2008 - J	Jan.	3.6	4.0	6.5						
F	Feb.	2.9	4.2	6.4						
Ν	Mar.	3.9	4.6	5.9						
A	Apr.	(3.9)	(4.7)	(7.2)						

Official Eurosystem interest rates

(percentages)

	Deposit and	I marginal lending facility	operations	M	ain refinancing operatior	IS
Date announced	Date effective	Deposit facility	Marginal lending facility	Date effective	Fixed rate (fixed rate tenders)	Minimum bid rate (variable rate tenders)
S743237A	S927443A	S939666A	S948632A	S834267A	S616974A	S998197A
22.12.1998	1.1.1999	2.00	4.50	7.1.1999	3.00	-
22.12.1998	4.1.1999	2.75	3.25	-	-	-
22.12.1998	22.1.1999	2.00	4.50	-	-	-
8.4.1999	9.4.1999	1.50	3.50	14.4.1999	2.50	-
4.11.1999	5.11.1999	2.00	4.00	10.11.1999	3.00	-
3.2.2000	4.2.2000	2.25	4.25	9.2.2000	3.25	-
16.3.2000	17.3.2000	2.50	4.50	22.3.2000	3.50	-
27.4.2000	28.4.2000	2.75	4.75	4.5.2000	3.75	-
8.6.2000	9.6.2000	3.25	5.25	15.6.2000	4.25	-
8.6.2000	-	-	-	28.6.2000	-	4.25
31.8.2000	1.9.2000	3.50	5.50	6.9.2000	-	4.50
5.10.2000	6.10.2000	3.75	5.75	11.10.2000	-	4.75
10.5.2001	11.5.2001	3.50	5.50	15.5.2001	-	4.50
30.8.2001	31.8.2001	3.25	5.25	5.9.2001	-	4.25
17.9.2001	18.9.2001	2.75	4.75	19.9.2001	-	3.75
8.11.2001	9.11.2001	2.25	4.25	14.11.2001	-	3.25
5.12.2002	6.12.2002	1.75	3.75	11.12.2002	-	2.75
6.3.2003	7.3.2003	1.50	3.50	12.3.2003	-	2.50
5.6.2003	6.6.2003	1.00	3.00	9.6.2003	-	2.00
1.12.2005	6.12.2005	1.25	3.25	6.12.2005	-	2.25
2.3.2006	8.3.2006	1.50	3.50	8.3.2006	-	2.50
8.6.2006	15.6.2006	1.75	3.75	15.6.2006	-	2.75
3.8.2006	9.8.2006	2.00	4.00	9.8.2006	-	3.00
5.10.2006	11.10.2006	2.25	4.25	11.10.2006	-	3.25
7.12.2006	13.12.2006	2.50	4.50	13.12.2006	-	3.50
8.3.2007	14.3.2007	2.75	4.75	14.3.2007	-	3.75
6.6.2007	13.6.2007	3.00	5.00	13.6.2007	-	4.00

BOT auctions

(amounts in millions of euros; percentages for prices and yields)

	Quantity maturing	Quantity offered	Maturity (days)	Bids	Allotment	Average allotment price	Gross yield
EVERY 15 DAYS	S382814B	S573729B	S045036B	S269073B	S682766B	S863901B	S263772B
				3-month BOTs			
007 - end-May	-	-	-	-	-	-	
mid-June	3,000	3,000	91	5,413	3,000	98.995	4.08
end- "	-	-	-	-	-	-	
mid-July	3,000	-	-	-	-	-	
end- "	-	-	-	-	-	-	
mid-Aug	3,000	3,000	92	4,488	3,000	98.967	4.1
end- "	-	-	-	-	-	-	
mid-Sept	3,000	3,000	91	4,331	3,000	98.996	4.0
end- "	-	-	-	-	-	-	
mid-Oct	-	3,000	92	4,606	3,000	98.993	4.04
end- "	-	-	-	-	-	-	
mid-Nov	3,000	3,000	92	4,147	3,000	98.995	4.03
end- "	-	-	-	-	-	-	
mid-Dec	3,000	-	-	-	-	-	
end- "	-	-	-	-	-	-	
)08 - mid-Jan	3,000	3,500	91	4,979	3,500	99.006	4.03
end- "	-	-	-	-	-	-	
mid-Feb	3,000	-	-	-	-	-	
end- "	-	-	-	-	-	-	
mid-Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-	
end- "	-	-	-	-	-	-	
mid-Apr	3,500	4,000	91	9,708	4,000	99.001	4.0
end- "	-	-	-	-	-	-	
mid-May	-	3,500	92	7,040	3,500	98.980	4.0
				6-month BOTs			
	0.400.4550	0500000	00055400		00000050	00704000	

EVERY 15 DAYS 2007 - end-May	S460455B 8,500	S590366B 9,350	S805518B 183	S510820B 12,684	S322 <i>025B</i> 8,500	S078103B 97.961	S093157B 4.14
mid-June	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
end- "	9,500	10,450	185	13,686	9,500	97.917	4.18
mid-July	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
end- "	9,000	9,900	184	16,379	9,900	97.896	4.25
mid-Aug	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
end- "	8,500	9,900	182	12,641	9,000	98.008	4.06
mid-Sept	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
end- "	8,750	9,625	185	10,716	8,750	97.978	4.06
mid-Oct	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
end- "	9,500	10,450	182	11,073	9,500	98.032	4.01
mid-Nov	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
end- "	8,500	9,350	182	10,738	8,652	98.032	4.01
mid-Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
end- "	9,500	10,450	180	10,812	9,500	98.065	3.99
2008 - mid-Jan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
end- "	9,900	10,450	182	11,919	9,500	98.118	3.83
mid-Feb	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
end- "	9,000	9,900	182	11,563	9,820	98.085	3.90
mid-Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
end- "	8,750	9,350	183	14,824	9,350	97.944	4.17
mid-Apr	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
end- "	9,500	10,450	184	13,205	9,500	97.978	4.08
mid-May	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

BOT auctions

(amounts in millions of euros; percentages for prices and yields)

	Quantity maturing	Quantity offered	Maturity (days)	Bids	Allotment	Average allotment price	Gross yield
EVERY 15 DAYS	S663013B	S338466B	S292115B	S649923B	S388986B	S441632B	S760717B
				12-month BOTs			
2007 - end-May mid-June	- 5,500	- 5,500	- 367	- 8,406	- 5,500	- 95.760	4.34
end- " mid-July	- 6.000	- 6,000	- 365	- 10,541	- 6,000	- 95.744	4.38
end- " mid-Aug	- 6,000	6,000	- 366	9,138	- 6,000	95.860	4.25
end- "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
mid-Sept end- "	7,000	7,000	367	8,907	7,000	96.042 -	4.04
mid-Oct end- "	5,500	5,500 -	366	7,274	5,500	96.086 -	4.01
mid-Nov end- "	4,500	6,000	365	6,797	6,000	96.101	4.00
mid-Dec end- "	5,000	4,000	367	5,939	4,000	96.071	4.01
2008 - mid-Jan end- "	7,000	7,000	366	8,679	7,000	96.139	3.95
mid-Feb	7,000	7,500	367	8,875	7,500	96.639	3.41
end- " mid-Mar	- 7,500	- 7,500	- 367	- 7,307	- 7,157	- 96.277	3.79
end- " mid-Apr	- 8,500	- 8,000	- 365	- 16,982	- 8,000	- 96.152	3.95
end- " mid-May	- 6,500	- 6,500	- 365	- 10,167	- 6,500	- 96.070	4.03
				Other issues			
EVERY 15 DAYS	S782471B	S297371B	S328989B	S362002B	S388236B	S436266B	S457518B
2008 - mid-Mar	-	3,000	200	5,128	3,000	97.826	4.04
end- "	-	2,500	122	5,165	2,500	98.617	4.20
mid-Apr	-	-	-	-	-	-	
end- "	-	2,500	92	6,655	2,500	98.973	4.1
mid-May	-	-	-	-	-	-	
				TOTAL			
EVERY 15 DAYS	S154947B	S582778B		S989733B	S196692B		S244892B
007 - end-May	8,500	11,850	-	17,724	11,000	-	4.0
mid-June end- "	8,500	8,500	-	13,819	8,500	-	4.2 4.1
	12,000	10,450	-	13,686	9,500	-	
mid-July	9,000	6,000	-	10,541	6,000	-	4.3
end- "	9,000	12,400	-	19,864	12,400	-	4.2
mid-Aug end- "	9,000 8,500	9,000 9,900	-	13,626 12,641	9,000 9,000	-	4.2 4.0
mid-Sept.		10,000	-		10,000	-	
				13,238		-	4.0 4.0
	10,000			1/ 261			4.0
end- "	8,750	12,125	-	14,361	11,250		
end- " mid-Oct	8,750 5,500	12,125 8,500	-	11,880	8,500	-	4.0
end- " mid-Oct end- "	8,750 5,500 9,500	12,125 8,500 12,950	-	11,880 15,975	8,500 12,000	-	4.0 4.0
end- " mid-Oct end- " mid-Nov	8,750 5,500 9,500 10,000	12,125 8,500 12,950 9,000		11,880 15,975 10,944	8,500 12,000 9,000	-	4.0 4.0 4.0
end- " mid-Oct end- " mid-Nov end- "	8,750 5,500 9,500 10,000 8,500	12,125 8,500 12,950 9,000 9,350		11,880 15,975 10,944 10,738	8,500 12,000 9,000 8,652	-	4.0 4.0 4.0 4.0
end- " mid-Oct end- " mid-Nov end- " mid-Dec	8,750 5,500 9,500 10,000 8,500 10,000	12,125 8,500 12,950 9,000 9,350 4,000		11,880 15,975 10,944 10,738 5,939	8,500 12,000 9,000 8,652 4,000	-	4.0 4.0 4.0 4.0 4.0 4.0
end- " mid-Oct end- " mid-Nov end- " mid-Dec end- "	8,750 5,500 9,500 10,000 8,500 10,000 16,500	12,125 8,500 12,950 9,000 9,350 4,000 10,450		11,880 15,975 10,944 10,738 5,939 10,812	8,500 12,000 9,000 8,652 4,000 9,500	-	4.0 4.0 4.0 4.0 4.0 3.9
end- " mid-Oct end- " mid-Nov end- " mid-Dec end- " 008 - mid-Jan	8,750 5,500 9,500 10,000 8,500 10,000 16,500 10,000	12,125 8,500 12,950 9,000 9,350 4,000 10,450 10,500		11,880 15,975 10,944 10,738 5,939 10,812 13,659	8,500 12,000 9,000 8,652 4,000 9,500 10,500		4.0 4.0 4.0 4.0 4.0 3.9 3.9
end- "	8,750 5,500 9,500 10,000 8,500 10,000 16,500 10,000 9,900	12,125 8,500 12,950 9,000 9,350 4,000 10,450 10,500 13,950		11,880 15,975 10,944 10,738 5,939 10,812 13,659 16,217	8,500 12,000 9,000 8,652 4,000 9,500 10,500 13,000		4.0 4.0 4.0 4.0 4.0 3.9 3.9 3.9 3.7
end- "	8,750 5,500 9,500 10,000 8,500 10,000 16,500 10,000 9,900 10,000	12,125 8,500 12,950 9,000 9,350 4,000 10,450 10,500 13,950 10,500		11,880 15,975 10,944 10,738 5,939 10,812 13,659 16,217 13,952	8,500 12,000 9,000 8,652 4,000 9,500 10,500 13,000 10,500		4.0 4.0 4.0 4.0 3.9 3.9 3.9 3.7 3.5
end- "	8,750 5,500 9,500 10,000 8,500 10,000 16,500 10,000 9,900 10,000 9,000	12,125 8,500 12,950 9,000 9,350 4,000 10,450 10,500 13,950 10,500 12,400	-	11,880 15,975 10,944 10,738 5,939 10,812 13,659 16,217 13,952 15,399	8,500 12,000 9,000 8,652 4,000 9,500 10,500 13,000 10,500 12,320	-	4.0 4.0 4.0 4.0 4.0 3.9 3.9 3.9 3.9 3.7 3.5 3.9
end- "	8,750 5,500 9,500 10,000 8,500 10,000 16,500 10,000 9,900 10,000 9,000 7,500	12,125 8,500 12,950 9,000 9,350 4,000 10,450 10,500 13,950 10,500 12,400 10,500		11,880 15,975 10,944 10,738 5,939 10,812 13,659 16,217 13,952 15,399 12,434	8,500 12,000 9,000 8,652 4,000 9,500 10,500 13,000 10,500 12,320 10,157		4.0 4.0 4.0 4.0 3.9 3.9 3.7 3.5 3.5 3.9 3.8
end- "	8,750 5,500 9,500 10,000 8,500 10,000 16,500 10,000 9,900 10,000 9,000 7,500 8,750	12,125 8,500 12,950 9,000 9,350 4,000 10,450 10,500 13,950 10,500 12,400 10,500 11,850		11,880 15,975 10,944 10,738 5,939 10,812 13,659 16,217 13,952 15,399 12,434 19,989	8,500 12,000 9,000 8,652 4,000 9,500 10,500 10,500 10,500 12,320 10,157 11,850	-	4.0 4.0 4.0 4.0 3.9 3.9 3.9 3.9 3.7 3.5 3.9 3.8 4.1
end- "	8,750 5,500 9,500 10,000 8,500 10,000 16,500 10,000 9,900 7,500 8,750 12,000	12,125 8,500 12,950 9,000 9,350 4,000 10,450 10,500 10,500 12,400 10,500 11,850 12,000		11,880 15,975 10,944 10,738 5,939 10,812 13,659 16,217 13,952 15,399 12,434 19,989 26,690	8,500 12,000 9,000 8,652 4,000 9,500 10,500 13,000 10,500 12,320 10,157 11,850 12,000	-	4.0 4.0 4.0 4.0 3.9 3.9 3.9 3.7 3.5 3.5 3.9 3.8 4.1 3.9
end- "	8,750 5,500 9,500 10,000 8,500 10,000 16,500 10,000 9,900 10,000 9,000 7,500 8,750	12,125 8,500 12,950 9,000 9,350 4,000 10,450 10,500 13,950 10,500 12,400 10,500 11,850		11,880 15,975 10,944 10,738 5,939 10,812 13,659 16,217 13,952 15,399 12,434 19,989	8,500 12,000 9,000 8,652 4,000 9,500 10,500 10,500 10,500 12,320 10,157 11,850	-	4.0 4.0 4.0 4.0 3.9 3.9 3.9 3.9 3.9 3.9 3.9 3.9 3.9 3.9

Monthly treasury bill yields

(percentages)

		3-month BOTs	6-month BOTs	12-month BOTs	Other issues	Average	
		S096378M	S295795M	S275044M	S988244M	S683601M	
2004 .		1.99	2.04	2.17	1.96	2.08	
2005 .		2.04	2.15	2.23	2.07	2.17	
2006 .		2.78	3.15	3.29	2.76	3.18	
2007 .		3.95	4.02	4.09	4.02	4.04	
2006 -	May	2.80	2.97	3.25	-	3.04	
	June	2.85	3.14	3.21	-	3.11	
	July	-	3.19	3.43	-	3.29	
	Aug	-	3.30	3.45	-	3.36	
	Sept	-	3.41	3.60	-	3.49	
	Oct	-	3.56	3.63	-	3.59	
	Nov	3.42	3.61	3.70	-	3.60	
	Dec	-	3.70	3.73	-	3.7	
2007 -	Jan	3.66	3.78	3.88	-	3.80	
	Feb	3.73	3.87	3.92	3.91	3.8	
	Mar	3.83	3.92	3.95	3.98	3.9	
	Apr	3.90	4.02	4.09	-	4.0	
	May	3.98	4.14	4.18	3.93	4.1	
	June	4.08	4.18	4.34	-	4.2	
	July	-	4.25	4.38	4.12	4.2	
	Aug	4.15	4.06	4.25	-	4.1	
	Sept	4.07	4.06	4.04	4.07	4.0	
	Oct	4.04	4.01	4.01	4.09	4.0	
	Nov	4.03	4.01	4.00	-	4.0	
	Dec	-	3.99	4.01	-	3.9	
2008 -	Jan	4.03	3.83	3.95	3.61	3.8	
	Feb	-	3.90	3.41	3.88	3.7	
	Mar	-	4.17	3.79	4.11	4.03	
	Apr	4.05	4.08	3.95	4.12	4.03	

METHODOLOGICAL APPENDIX

GENERAL INDICATIONS

In the Eurosystem intermediaries subject to statistical reporting requirements are known as monetary financial institutions (MFIs). In Italy, MFIs comprise the Bank of Italy, banks and money market funds. For the definition of statistics, reference should be made to the Regulation issued by the European Central Bank on 22 November 2001 (ECB/2001/13 as amended).

The first two tables (TAME0050 and TAME0100) show the Bank of Italy's balance sheet according to the accounting classification adopted by the Eurosystem. Table 3 (TAME0125) shows the Italian banking system's liquidity position and its contribution to the monetary base of the euro area. Table 4 (TAME0190) contains statistics on open-market operations carried out by the Bank of Italy on behalf of the Eurosystem. Reserve base aggregates, reserve maintenance and the interest rate on minimum reserves are shown in Tables 5 and 6 (TAME0135 and TAME0140). Tables 7 and 8 (TAME0105 and TAME0115) show the Bank of Italy's balance sheet data supplemented by non-accounting data and reclassified according to the sectoral classification used to compile the monetary aggregates of the euro area. As of 1 January 2008 the assets and liabilities of the UIC are included in the balance sheet of the Bank of Italy. The flow series are adjusted accordingly.

As of October 2007, M2 includes Post Office term and inflation-indexed savings certificates, which were previously excluded from the monetary aggregates. As of the same date, the monetary component and counterparty series are affected by the reclassification of Cassa Depositi e Prestiti s.p.a. from "other financial intermediary" to "other monetary financial institution". Flows are shown net of these reclassifications.

Tables 9-12 show the stocks and flows of the Italian components of the monetary aggregates of the euro area and of the counterparts of the Italian component of euro-area M3 (TAME0205 and TAME0215). From January 2002 the measurement of currency in circulation in Tables 9 and 10 is based on a convention whereby the share of the total issue of euro notes allocated to Italy is proportional to its share of the ECB's capital (the so-called Capital Share Mechanism). Each country's share of the ECB's capital is equal to the arithmetic mean of its shares of the euro-area's total population and total income. The justification for using the Capital Share Mechanism to divide the total euro currency in circulation among the NCBs is that the demand for notes is heavily influenced by countries' population and income. Until December 2002 the Italian component of currency in circulation includes the remaining quantity of lira currency. The other NCBs have adopted the same solution for their respective national currencies.

Tables 13-16 show statistics not harmonized at European level on financial aggregates (TAME0240 and TAME0230) and credit aggregates (TAME0270 and TAME0250). Their publication meets the need to continue to provide time series that are widely used in Italy. The "money-holding sector" consists of all euro-area residents apart from MFIs and central governments. It comprises "other general government" (local authorities and social security institutions) and "other residents" (non-money-market investment funds, other financial institutions, non-financial corporations, insurance corporations, households, and non-profit institutions serving households). The sector accordingly corresponds, apart from the inclusion of non-money-market investment funds, to the non-state sector to which statistics referred until December 1998 (for a detailed reconciliation, see the "Glossario" section of the Bank's Annual Report for 2000 in Italian).

Table 17 (TAME0260) shows the twelve-month percentage changes in the main financial and credit aggregates and in the Italian contributions to the monetary aggregates of the euro area. Table 18 (TAME0120) shows the interest rates fixed by the

ECB. Tables 19 and 20 show, respectively, fortnightly information on BOT auctions (TAME0130) and monthly BOT allotment rates divided by maturity (TAME0280).

The policy adopted in this publication for the revision of data basically follows the rules laid down in the ECB Guideline for monetary and banking statistics (available at www.ecb.int). The figures for the latest month shown are provisional; in line with the terminology of the ESCB, revisions in the following month are deemed to be "ordinary". Subsequent revisions are considered "extraordinary"; they are normally incorporated as soon as they are received from the reporting banks. In most cases revisions have a negligible impact on the aggregates; where the impact is material, the notes to the tables explain why they have been made (errors in earlier reports or methodological changes).

Rounding may cause the sum of the separate items to differ from the total shown.

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.

TAME0050 - BALANCE SHEET OF THE BANK OF ITALY: ASSETS

The figures are obtained from accounting data made available for statistical purposes. From January to May 2000 the data are calculated by applying the valuation methods to the end-of-period amounts on a quarterly basis. From June 2000 onwards the data are calculated by applying the valuation methods to the end-of-period amounts on a monthly basis. The arrangement of the series in the table reflects the division of the balance sheet into "accounts". This format has been adopted by the central banks of the Eurosystem with a view to harmonizing the data deriving from their accounts. The total assets shown in the table differ from the total shown in Table TAME0105 since the latter includes the claims arising in respect of coins (issued by the Treasury). From January 2002, in accordance with the accounting regime chosen by the Eurosystem for the issue of euro notes, a share of 8% of the total value of the euro notes in circulation is allocated to the ECB on a monthly basis. The counterpart of this adjustment is disclosed as an Intra-Eurosystem liability related to note issue. The remaining 92% of the euro notes in circulation is allocated to the NCBs on a monthly basis too, whereby each NCB shows in its balance sheet a share of the euro notes issued corresponding to its paid-up share in the ECB's capital. The difference between the value of the euro notes allocated to the NCB according to the aforementioned accounting regime and the value of euro notes put into circulation is also disclosed as an "Intra-Eurosystem claim/liability".

S034162M - CENTRAL BANK: ASSETS - GOLD AND GOLD RECEIVABLES

Comprises the gold owned by the Bank of Italy and receivables in respect of deposits denominated in gold and swaps.

S301577M - CENTRAL BANK: ASSETS - CLAIMS ON NON-EURO-AREA RESIDENTS DENOMINATED IN FOREIGN CURRENCY

Includes securities other than shares issued by non-euroarea residents (excluding those held as investments of reserves and provisions, shown under other assets), claims in respect of temporary transactions entered into with non-euroarea residents, deposits and other external assets, and foreign banknotes. The item also includes claims on the International Monetary Fund consisting of the net reserve tranche (i.e. Italy's participation in the Fund net of the national quota in euros available to the IMF, known as Account no. 1), the SDRs available and receivables from the General Arrangements to Borrow (GAB) and the New Arrangements to Borrow (NAB), loans granted under special agreements and deposits within the framework of the Poverty Reduction and Growth Facility (PRGF, formerly ESAF).

S357439M - CENTRAL BANK: ASSETS - CLAIMS ON EURO-AREA RESIDENTS DENOMINATED IN FOREIGN CURRENCY

Includes securities other than shares issued by euro-area residents (excluding those held as investments of reserves and provisions, shown under other assets), claims in respect of temporary transactions entered into with euro-area residents, deposits and other external assets.

S382442M - CENTRAL BANK: ASSETS - CLAIMS ON NON-EURO-AREA RESIDENTS DENOMINATED IN EUROS

Includes deposits with non-euro-area residents, including credit balances on the TARGET accounts of the EU national central banks not participating in the Monetary Union, up to October 2000. From November 2000, following amendments to the layout of the accounts, all the net TARGET positions vis-à-vis the NCBs of the ESCB are included in a single TARGET account in the name of the ECB. The item also includes securities other than shares issued by non-euro-area residents (excluding those held as investments of reserves and provisions, shown under other assets), claims in respect of temporary transactions entered into with non-euro-area residents, and other receivables.

S453206M - CENTRAL BANK: ASSETS - LENDING TO EURO-AREA FINANCIAL SECTOR COUNTERPARTIES

Mainly comprises claims arising from monetary policy operations. Main and longer-term refinancing operations are repo operations; the former are carried out at weekly intervals and have a maturity of one/two weeks, the latter are carried out at monthly intervals and have a maturity of three months. Fine-tuning reverse operations are carried out at irregular intervals, mainly to smooth the effects on interest rates of unexpected liquidity fluctuations. Structural reverse operations are aimed at adjusting the structural position of the Eurosystem vis-à-vis the financial sector. Marginal lending facility operations constitute the overnight liquidity provided at the initiative of counterparties against eligible assets at a pre-specified interest rate; credits related to margin calls refer to amounts paid to financial sector counterparties following increases in the value of assets lodged as collateral for loans to the counterparties themselves.

S538242M - CENTRAL BANK BALANCE SHEET: ASSETS - INTRA-EUROSYSTEM CLAIMS

The item includes the participation in the capital of the ECB (equal to 14,895% of the total until December 2003 and 14,5206% from January to May 2004, when it decreased to 13,0516%; equal to 12,5297% from January 2007), claims in euros arising from the transfer of reserves to the ECB in accordance with Article 30 of the Statute of the ESCB, and other net claims. The latter are calculated as the sum of the net positions vis-à-vis all the euro-area counterparties (the other member countries and the ECB) with debit balances

and consist mainly of balances on reciprocal TARGET accounts upto October 2000. From November 2000, following amendments to the layout of the accounts, all the net TARGET positions vis-à-vis the NCBs of the ESCB are included in a single TARGET account in the name of the ECB. From January 2002, with the start of the circulation of the euro and pursuant to the accounting agreements between the Eurosystem central banks, this item includes the net accounting adjustments equal to the difference between the value of the euro notes distributed and that calculated by applying the Capital Share Mechanism to 92% of the total value of the euro notes in circulation in the euro area (see the note to Tables TAME0050 and TAME0100).

S555124M - CENTRAL BANK: ASSETS - MARKETABLE SECURITIES OTHER THAN SHARES ISSUED BY EURO-AREA RESIDENTS AND DENOMINATED IN EUROS

Comprises marketable securities other than shares (excluding those held as investments of reserves and provisions, shown under other assets) held for monetary policy purposes.

S582769M - CENTRAL BANK: ASSETS - REDEEMABLE TREASURY DEBT IN EUROS (PRE-EMU CLAIMS ON GENERAL GOVERNMENT)

The item refers to a specific balance sheet account: claims on general government pre-dating the start of Stage Two of EMU, in the form of securities held following the conversion of the balance on the former Treasury current account (Law 483/1993 securities) and the claims connected with the former system of stockpile financing. In March 2000 and November 2001 part of the claims arising in connection with stockpile financing were converted into thirty-year securities. In December 2002 the 1% BTPs held by the Bank under Law 483/1993 were converted, under Law 289/2002, into BTPs at market rates.

S692767M - CENTRAL BANK BALANCE SHEET: ASSETS - OTHER ASSETS AND ITEMS TO BE SETTLED

Includes: investments of reserves and provisions in government securities, debt securities, participating interests, shares and other assets; coins (issued by the Treasury) held by the Bank of Italy; the UIC endowment fund up to December 2007; sundry claims on the government, accrued income and prepaid expenses, interest accounts in respect of off-balance-sheet transactions; tangible and intangible fixed assets; the provisional balance, if negative, between income and expenditure for the year; suspense accounts and items to be settled and other minor items that are not material for the Eurosystem.

TAME0100 - BALANCE SHEET OF THE BANK OF ITALY: LIABILITIES

The figures are based on accounting data made available for statistical purposes. From January to May 2000 the data are calculated by applying the valuation methods to the endof-period amounts on a quarterly basis. From June 2000 onwards the data are calculated by applying the valuation methods to the end-of-period amounts on a monthly basis. The arrangement of the series reveals the accounting layout of the balance sheet, divided into "accounts". This layout has been adopted by the central banks of the Eurosystem in order to harmonize the information deriving from the balance sheet. The total liabilities shown in the table differ from those shown in Table TAME0115 since the latter includes, in the item "Currency in circulation", the liability in respect of coins (issued by the Treasury). From January 2002, in accordance with the accounting regime chosen by the Eurosystem for the issue of euro notes, a share of 8% of the total value of the euro notes in circulation is allocated to the ECB on a monthly basis. The counterpart of this adjustment is disclosed as an Intra-Eurosystem liability related to note issue. The remaining 92% of the euro notes in circulation is allocated to the NCBs on a monthly basis too, whereby each NCB shows in its balance sheet a share of the euro notes issued corresponding to its paid-up share in the ECB's capital. The difference between the value of the euro notes allocated to the NCB according to the aforementioned accounting regime and the value of euro notes put into circulation is also disclosed as an "Intra-Eurosystem claim/ liability".

S011007M - CENTRAL BANK: LIABILITIES -LIABILITIES TO NON-EURO-AREA RESIDENTS DENOMINATED IN EUROS

Comprises deposits of non-euro-area residents, including the debit balances on the TARGET accounts of the EU national central banks not participating in the Monetary Union up to October 2000. From November 2000, following amendments to the layout of the accounts, all the net TARGET positions vis-à-vis the NCBs of the ESCB are included in a single TARGET account in the name of the ECB. The item also includes deposits in respect of the payment services that the Bank of Italy performs for international organizations (the EIB and the BIS), as well as the balance on IMF account no. 2. at book value.

S047488M - CENTRAL BANK: LIABILITIES -LIABILITIES TO EURO-AREA RESIDENTS DENOMINATED IN FOREIGN CURRENCY

Comprises deposits, liabilities in respect of reverse operations with counterparties resident in the euro area, and other liabilities.

S082570M - CENTRAL BANK: LIABILITIES -LIABILITIES TO NON-EURO-AREA RESIDENTS IN FOREIGN CURRENCY

Comprises deposits of foreign residents, liabilities in respect of reverse operations with counterparties not resident in the euro area, and other liabilities to foreign residents.

S113582M - CENTRAL BANK: LIABILITIES - COUNTERPART OF SDRS ALLOCATED BY THE IMF

Comprises the amount due to the IMF in SDRs in respect of the allocations received from the Fund in proportion to Italy's quota.

S157776M - CENTRAL BANK: LIABILITIES - CAPITAL AND RESERVES

The Bank's share capital, reserves and net profit for distribution.

S218927M - CENTRAL BANK: LIABILITIES - OTHER LIABILITIES

Comprises provisions, ordinary and special Bank of Italy drafts, deposits in respect of the payment services the Bank performs on behalf of the Treasury and the Deposits and Loans Fund, other deposits made to fulfil legal obligations, sundry liabilities to the government, accrued expenses and deferred income, interest accounts in respect of off-balancesheet transactions, withholding taxes to be paid to the tax authorities, the provisional balance (if positive) between expenditure and income for the year, suspense accounts and items to be settled and other minor items that are not material for the Eurosystem. As of January 2003, includes lira banknotes not yet withdrawn from circulation.

S695409M - CENTRAL BANK: LIABILITIES - INTRA-EUROSYSTEM LIABILITIES

The item includes the sum of the net positions vis-à-vis all the euro-area counterparties (the other member countries and the ECB) with credit balances (gross balances on reciprocal TARGET accounts up to October 2000). From November 2000, following amendments to the layout of the accounts, all the net TARGET positions vis-à-vis the NCBs of the ESCB are included in a single TARGET account in the name of the ECB. From January 2002, with the start of the circulation of the euro and pursuant to the accounting agreements between the Eurosystem central banks, this item includes the net accounting adjustments equal to the difference between the value of the euro notes distributed and that calculated by applying the Capital Share Mechanism to 92% of the total value of the euro notes in circulation in the euro area (see the note to Tables TAME0050 and TAME0100).

S777534M - CENTRAL BANK: LIABILITIES BANKNOTES IN CIRCULATION

Until December 2001 lira banknotes in circulation, net of those held by other euro-area NCBs. From January 2002, with the start of the circulation of the euro and pursuant to the accounting agreements between the Eurosystem central banks, this item includes the euro notes in circulation, calculated by applying the Capital Share Mechanism to 92% of the total value of the euro notes in circulation in the euro area (see the note to Tables TAME0050 and TAME0100). Lira banknotes (net of those held by other euro-area NCBs), are included in this item until December 2002. As of January 2003, they are included in the item S218927M - "Balance sheet of the Bank of Italy: Liabilities -Other liabilities".

S781721M - CENTRAL BANK: LIABILITIES -LIABILITIES TO EURO-AREA FINANCIAL COUNTERPARTIES DENOMINATED IN EUROS

This item comprises the current accounts (including reserve requirements) of financial sector counterparties having access to the standing facilities, overnight deposits remunerated at a pre-specified interest rate of counterparties admitted to the standing facilities, fixed-term deposits for fine-tuning purposes (normally allocated by quick tenders), fine-tuning reverse operations carried out at irregular intervals to smooth the effects on interest rates of unexpected liquidity fluctuations, and deposits related to margin calls deposited by counterparties of the financial sector following decreases in the value of assets lodged as collateral for loans to the counterparties themselves.

S976464M - CENTRAL BANK: LIABILITIES -LIABILITIES TO OTHER EURO-AREA RESIDENTS (GENERAL GOVERNMENT AND OTHER RESIDENTS) DENOMINATED IN EUROS

This items comprises deposits of and other liabilities to general government and other non-financial counterparties. In particular, the claims of the Treasury in respect of payment services, the sinking fund for the redemption of government securities and the debit balance of the UIC's current account, up to December 2007.

TAME0105 - ITALIAN COMPONENT OF THE AGGREGATED BALANCE SHEET OF THE EUROSYSTEM: ASSETS

The figures shown in the table are largely based on accounting data that are reclassified and sectored according to the statistical criteria set out in ESA95. From September 1997 to May 2000 the data are calculated by applying the valuation methods to the end-of-period amounts on a quarterly basis. From June 2000 onwards the data are calculated by applying the valuation methods to the end-ofperiod amounts on a monthly basis. The logical link with the accounting data shown in Table TAME0050 is given for most of the series in the table. The total assets shown in the table differ from those shown in Table TAME0050 since they include the claim in respect of coins (issued by the Treasury). In October 1999, as part of the harmonization of the Eurosystem statistics, the accounting treatment of the Bank of Italy's official swaps (in gold and dollars) with the EMI between September 1997 and June 1998 and with the ECB from July to December 1998 was modified. The main change was the switch from stating gold assets net of official swaps to stating them gross of such transactions.

S050339M - CENTRAL BANK: ASSETS - INTRA-EUROSYSTEM CLAIMS

The item includes the participation in the capital of the ECB (equal to 14,895% of the total until December 2003 and 14,5206% from January to May 2004, when it decreased to 13,0516%; equal to 12,5297% from January 2007); from July to December 1998 it includes the claim on the ECB consisting in the "official ecus" held by the Bank as a consequence of the transfer of gold and dollars (official swap operations). As of 1999, it includes the claims in euros connected with the transfer of reserves to the ECB in accordance with Article 30 of the Statute of the ESCB, and other net claims. The latter are calculated as the sum of the net positions vis-à-vis all the euro-area counterparties (the other member countries and the ECB) with debit balances and consist mainly of balances on reciprocal TARGET accounts, up to October 2000. From November 2000, following amendments to the layout of the accounts, all the net TARGET positions vis-à-vis the NCBs of the ESCB are included in a single TARGET account in the name of the ECB. From January 2002, with the start of the circulation of the euro and pursuant to the accounting agreements between

the Eurosystem central banks, this item includes the accounting adjustments calculated on the basis of the difference between the value of the euro notes distributed and that calculated by applying the Capital Share Mechanism to 100% of the total value of the euro notes in circulation (see the note to Table TAME0115).

S277844M - CENTRAL BANK: ASSETS - TOTAL LOANS TO EURO-AREA RESIDENTS

This item comprises claims, in euros and foreign currency, on euro-area residents that are not represented by tradable certificates. It includes refinancing operations carried out using monetary policy instruments, other claims on MFIs except for that arising from the transfer of reserves to the ECB, sundry claims on general government dating back to the period before the start of Stage Two of EMU, and other claims on other euro-area residents. Until December 1998 the claims on MFIs included the balance of special advances granted under Law 588 of 19 November 1996 and a Ministerial Decree of 27 September 1974. The item "Monetary Financial Institutions" includes "Lending to euroarea financial sector counterparties denominated in euros", shown in Table TAME0050, and most of the "Claims on euro-area residents in foreign currency", also shown in Table TAME0050. The item "General government" includes the Bank of Italy's claims connected with the former system of agricultural stockpile financing. From March 2000 the item refers only to the bills discounted by the Bank of Italy following the conversion into securities of the corresponding claims for the crop years 1962-64.

S364530M - CENTRAL BANK: ASSETS - HOLDINGS OF SECURITIES OTHER THAN SHARES ISSUED BY EURO-AREA RESIDENTS

The securities portfolio, in euros and foreign currency, excluding shares and other equity securities. The item comprises debt securities issued by MFIs (including any certificates of deposit issued by the ECB), general government securities and securities issued by other euroarea residents. It includes all the debt securities, in euros and foreign currency, issued by euro-area residents in the euro area and held by the central bank for whatever reason; by contrast, in the table based on accounting data (Table TAME0050), the securities portfolio is divided into three different items: 1) "Securities of euro-area residents in euros", which includes only the securities (mostly government securities) eligible for monetary policy operations;- 2) "General government debt", which includes the 1% BTPs issued by the Treasury for the conversion of the former Treasury current account with the Bank of Italy a up to December 2003 and BTPs at market prices after; from March 2000 includes also the thirty-year non-interestbearing securities issued to convert the claims arising in connection with agricultural stockpile financing; and 3) "Other assets", which includes all the debt securities, in euros and foreign currency, held by the Bank of Italy to meet its own asset management requirements.

S435801M - CENTRAL BANK: ASSETS - TOTAL SHARES AND OTHER EQUITIES ISSUED BY EURO-AREA RESIDENTS

The portfolio of securities representing ownership rights in respect of MFIs and other residents; the data exclude the participation in the capital of the ECB, included under "Claims on the Eurosystem". In December 1999, exercising for the first time the right provided for in Article 8 of Legislative Decree 43/1998, these assets were valued at market prices (previously they had been valued at cost).

S518011M - CENTRAL BANK: ASSETS - CLAIMS ON NON-EURO-AREA RESIDENTS

Comprises the entire credit position vis-à-vis the IMF, securities (including shares and participating interests) in euros and foreign currency issued by non-euro-area residents, and other claims on non-euro-area residents. Up to October 2000 the latter subitem includes the credit balances of the TARGET accounts of the EU NCBs not participating in Monetary Union. The item corresponds in Table TAME0050 to the sum of the items "Gold and gold "Claims on non-euro-area residents receivables", denominated in foreign currency and euros" and the debt securities and other securities issued by non-residents and included in the item "Other assets". From September 1997 to June 1998 the item also includes claims on the EMI consisting in the "official ecus" held by the Bank as a consequence of the transfer of gold and dollars (official swap operations).

S530401M - CENTRAL BANK: ASSETS - TANGIBLE AND INTANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Comprises the Bank's tangible and intangible nonfinancial assets: land and buildings, equipment, software and other infrastructure.

S551870M - CENTRAL BANK: ASSETS - REMAINING ASSETS

Assets not included in the other items, including the claim in respect of coins (issued by the Treasury). As of

January 1999, this item includes the balance of special advances granted under Law 588 of 19 November 1996 and a Ministerial Decree of 27 September 1974; there have been no such advances outstanding since December 2003.

S571292M - CENTRAL BANK: ASSETS - TOTAL ASSETS INCLUDING CLAIM IN RESPECT OF COINS

The item differs from that shown in Table TAME0050 because it includes the claim in respect of state coins in circulation and the balance of residual items.

TAME0115 - ITALIAN COMPONENT OF THE AGGREGATED BALANCE SHEET OF THE EUROSYSTEM: LIABILITIES

The figures shown in the table are largely based on accounting data that are reclassified and sectored according to the statistical criteria set out in ESA95. From September 1997 to May 2000 the data are calculated by applying the valuation methods to the end-of-period amounts on a quarterly basis. From June 2000 onwards the data are calculated by applying the valuation methods to the end-ofperiod amounts on a monthly basis. The logical link with the accounting data shown in Table TAME0100 is given for most of the series in the table. In October 1999, as part of the harmonization of the Eurosystem statistics, the accounting treatment of the Bank of Italy's official swaps (in gold and dollars) with the EMI between September 1997 and June 1998 and with the ECB from July to December 1998 was modified. The main change was the switch from stating gold assets net of official swaps to stating them gross of such transactions. The total liabilities shown in the table differ from those shown in Table TAME0100 since the item "Currency in circulation" includes coins (issued by the Treasury). From January 2002 the item "Circulation" differs from that obtained by applying the harmonized accounting methods for the note circulation in the euro area since, for the purposes of national statistics, it is calculated by applying the Capital Share Mechanism to 100% of the total value of the euro notes in circulation, thus including the 8% share distributed by the NCBs but allocated for accounting purposes to the ECB.

S155600M - CENTRAL BANK: LIABILITIES - INTRA-EUROSYSTEM LIABILITIES

From July to December 1998 includes the balance of the deposit in connection with official gold swaps with the ECB. As of 1999 it includes the sum of the net positions vis-à-vis all the euro-area counterparties (the other member countries

and the ECB) with credit balances (mainly gross balances on reciprocal TARGET accounts up to October 2000). From November 2000, following amendments to the layout of the accounts, all the net TARGET positions are included in a single TARGET account in the name of the ECB.

S579292M - CENTRAL BANK: LIABILITIES -CURRENCY IN CIRCULATION (BANKNOTES AND COINS)

Until December 2001 this item comprises the lira notes in circulation (net of those held by other euro-area NCBs) and the lira coins in circulation (issued by the Treasury). From January 2002, the Italian component of currency in circulation, comprises the conventional value of the euro notes in circulation, which differs from that obtained by applying the harmonized accounting methods for the note circulation since it is calculated by applying the Capital Share Mechanism to 100% of the total value of the euro notes in circulation, thus including the 8% share distributed by the NCBs but allocated for accounting purposes to the ECB. Lira banknotes and coins are included in this item until December 2002. As of January 2003, they are included in the item S704674M - "Balance sheet of the Bank of Italy: Liabilities -Other liabilities". A further difference is due to the inclusion of the circulation of coins, which is absent from the accounting data; as of January 2002, coins held by the Bank of Italy are excluded.

S621151M - CENTRAL BANK: LIABILITIES - TOTAL DEPOSITS OF EURO-AREA RESIDENTS

Comprises the deposits of MFIs (current accounts, including the reserve requirement, overnight deposits, fixed-term deposits, fine-tuning reverse operations and other accounts), central government (the Treasury payment account, the sinking fund for the redemption of government securities and other), other general government and other euro-area residents. The item "MFIs" corresponds to the accounting item "Liabilities to financial sector counterparties in the euro area in euros" (Table TAME0100).

S667176M - CENTRAL BANK: LIABILITIES - DEBT SECURITIES ISSUED

Securities issued other thean equity securities.

S677715M - CENTRAL BANK: LIABILITIES - CAPITAL AND RESERVES

Comprises the share capital of the Bank of Italy, the legal reserves, other reserves and revaluation accounts.

S686227M - CENTRAL BANK: LIABILITIES - LIABILITIES TO NON-RESIDENTS OF THE EURO AREA

Comprises the liabilities denominated in euros and foreign currency to non-euro-area residents, including the counterpart of SDRs allocated by the IMF. Up to October 2000 the item includes the debit balances of the TARGET accounts of the EU NCBs not participating in Monetary Union. The item corresponds to the sum of the following items in Table TAME0100: "Liabilities to non-euro-area residents denominated in euros", "Liabilities to non-euroarea residents denominated in foreign currency" and "Counterpart of SDRs allocated by the IMF". Until June 1998 it also includes the deposit corresponding to the official gold swaps with the EMI.

S704674M - CENTRAL BANK: LIABILITIES · REMAINING LIABILITIES

Comprises provisions and other liabilities not elsewhere classified. As of January 2003, includes lira banknotes and coins not yet withdrawfrom circulation.

S713270M - CENTRAL BANK: LIABILITIES - TOTAL LIABILITIES INCLUDING DEBT IN RESPECT OF COINS

The item does not coincide with that shown in Table TAME0100 because it includes coins in circulation.

TAME0120 - OFFICIAL EUROSYSTEM INTEREST RATES

Under Legislative Decree 213/1998 (Gazzetta Ufficiale, no. 157 of 8 July 1998) from 1 January 1999 until 31 December 2003 the Bank of Italy periodically determined an interest rate known as the reference rate for instruments originally linked to the official discount rate. In practice the Bank decided to put the reference rate equal to the rate on the ECB's main refinancing operations. Pursuant to the abovementioned decree, the determination of the reference rate ceased as of 1 January 2004.

Further information and the series showing the official discount rate and the reference rate referred to above are available on the Bank of Italy's website in the section: Statistics/Historical statistics/Historical data in the BIP on-line/Historical tables/Bank of Italy official interest rates: 1936-2003.

S939666A - OFFICIAL RATE ON THE EUROSYSTEM DEPOSIT FACILITY

The interest rate on one-day deposits, which can be made at the counterpart's initiative. The rate is fixed by the Governing Council of the ECB and is the lower limit of the corridor of official interest rates fixed by the ECB.

S948632A - OFFICIAL RATE ON THE EUROSYSTEM MARGINAL LENDING FACILITY

The interest rate on marginal refinancing operations, which can be made at the counterpart's initiative. The rate is fixed by the Governing Council of the ECB and is the upper limit of the corridor of official interest rates fixed by the ECB.

TAME0125 - BANKING SYSTEM'S LIQUIDITY POSITION: ITALIAN CONTRIBUTION

Average data calculated on the basis of daily data in the reserve requirement maintenance period. From 1 January 1999 to 23 January 2004 the maintenance periods (except for the first, which ran from 1 January to 23 February 1999) started on the 24th of each month and ended on the 23rd of the next. As of 24 January 2004 the ECB Governing Council established a new system. The distinguishing feature of the new system is that maintenance period starting and ending dates are variable and fixed according to the dates of the meetings in which the ECB Governing Council assesses the monetary policy stance. The Capital Share Mechanism to 100% of the total value of the euro notes in circulation, thus including the 8% share distributed by the NCBs but allocated for accounting purposes to the ECB.

S003675M - PERIOD AVERAGES - NET ASSETS IN GOLD AND FOREIGN CURRENCY

Net gold and foreign currency claims on non-euro-area residents.

S227610M - PERIOD AVERAGES - OTHER LIQUIDITY-ABSORBING OPERATIONS

The series refers to reverse transactions in securities and the collection of fixed-term deposits.

S246592M - PERIOD AVERAGES - INTRA-EUROSYSTEM NET CLAIMS

Average net balance on TARGET accounts.

S297048M - PERIOD AVERAGES - OTHER LIQUIDITY-PROVIDING OPERATIONS

The item refers to margin calls. In the first maintenance period (from 1 January to 23 February 1999) it includes the outstanding claim arising from the financing transactions carried out in the stage prior to 1 January 1999.

S312726M - PERIOD AVERAGES - CURRENCY IN CIRCULATION AND COINS

The value of banknotes and coins in circulation. From January 2002, with the start of the circulation of the euro, this item differs from that obtained by applying the harmonized accounting methods since it is calculated by applying the Capital Share Mechanism to 100% of the total value of the euro notes in circulation, thus including the 8% share distributed by the NCBs but allocated for accounting purposes to the ECB.

S343364M - PERIOD AVERAGES - CENTRAL GOVERNMENT DEPOSITS

The balance on the treasury payments account plus the sinking fund for the redemption of government securities.

S354855M - PERIOD AVERAGES - OTHER NET FACTORS

The balance of the remaining asset items (+) and liabilities items (-) of the Bank of Italy's balance sheet. It includes the claims deriving from the transfer of foreign reserves, the participation in the capital of the ECB and the claim in respect of coins (issued by the Treasury).

S398166M - PERIOD AVERAGES - CREDIT INSTITUTIONS CURRENT ACCOUNT WITH THE CENTRAL BANK

Credit institutions' current accounts with the Bank of Italy.

S405722M - PERIOD AVERAGES - ITALIAN CONTRIBUTION TO BASE MONEY OF THE EURO AREA

The figure refers to the sum of credit institutions' current account and overnight deposits with the Bank of Italy and currency in circulation see the note to Table TAME0125).

TAME0130 - BOT AUCTIONS

Prices and yields expressed in percentages. As of 1 July 1998, following the entry into force of Legislative Decree 461/1997, no one figure can be determined ex ante for the net interest accruing to physical persons and the like because this

is no longer influenced only by the 12.5 % withholding tax but also by the investor's personal situation and the size of the "adjustment factor" referred to in Article 4 of the Decree. Consequently, the Bank of Italy has decided to stop publishing figures for the net interest on securities as of the values for 1 July 1998. Since 1 January 1999 rates of return have been calculated with reference to a 360-day year rather than to a 365-day year. For 3, 6 and 12-month Treasury bills only one auction per month has been held since January, April and October 1998, respectively. The auction of the second tranche of 6-month Treasury bills held on 3 July 2000 is shown as having been held in the middle of July. As of November 2000 additional tranches of 6-month BOTs reserved to specialists have been issued; the quantities shown include these additional tranches. "Other issues" refer to issues made by auction with non-standard maturities, i.e. other than 3, 6 or 12 months. The quantities shown for these issues refer to the sum of all the non-standard issues made in the reference period; prices, yields and maturities are weighted on the basis of each auction allotment. The data on each auction are given in Tables TDEE0120 of the "Supplements to the Statistical Bulletin- Financial Market".

TAME0135 - MINIMUM RESERVE STATISTICS: RESERVE BASE OF BANKS RESIDENT IN ITALY SUBJECT TO RESERVE REQUIREMENTS

Liabilities to other credit institutions subject to the reserve requirement, the ECB and NCBs are excluded from the aggregate subject to the reserve requirement. If a credit institution is unable to provide figures for its issues of debt securities with up to two years' agreed maturity, as of the maintenance period beginning on 24 January 2000 it can deduct 30% of such liabilities from the aggregate subject to the reserve requirement (previously 10%). Until 23 January 2004 the maintenance period was from the 24th of one month to the 23rd of the next (except for the first, which ran from 1 January to 23 February 1999); the reserve requirement was calculated on the basis of the stock of liabilities subject to the reserve requirement at the end of the preceding month. The aggregate subject to the reserve requirement for credit institutions with reference to 1 January 1999 was used to calculate the minimum reserve requirement for the first maintenance period, from 1 January to 23 February 1999.

As of 24 January 2004 the ECB Governing Council established a new system. The distinguishing feature of the new system is that maintenance period starting and ending dates are variable and fixed according to the dates of the meetings in which the ECB Governing Council assesses the monetary policy stance. As of 24 January 2004 the amount of the reserve requirement is calculated on the basis of the stock of liabilities subject to the reserve requirement at the end of the third month preceding the end of the maintenance period.

As of September 2006 the series reflect the trasfer of Cassa Depositi e Prestiti (CDP) from the sector "Other Financial Intermediaries" to "Other Monetary Financial Institutions: Other Intermediaries".

TAME0140 - MINIMUM RESERVE STATISTICS: RESERVE MAINTENANCE BY BANKS RESIDENT IN ITALY

The series of this table are averages of the daily figures in the maintenance period (see the note to table TAME00135).

As of September 2006 the series reflect the trasfer of Cassa Depositi e Prestiti (CDP) from the sector "Other Financial Intermediaries" to "Other Monetary Financial Institutions: Other Intermediaries".

S966619M - AVERAGE RESERVE REQUIREMENT (AVERAGE REQUIRED RESERVES IN THE MAINTENANCE PERIOD)

The required reserves for bank resident in Italy are calculated by multiplying the liabilities subject to the requirement by the corresponding reserve ratio using end-ofmonth data and then deducting 100,000 euros. The series shows the sum of the positive amounts obtained in this way.

S999640M - AVERAGE ACTUAL RESERVES (CURRENT ACCOUNT) OF BANKS

From 1999 to 2003, average actual reserves of banks subject to a positive reserve requirement on reserve accounts in the maintenance period. From 2004 credit istitutions' average current accounts with the central bank, including those serving to fulfil reserve requirements.

TAME0190 - EUROSYSTEM MONETARY POLICY OPERATIONS ALLOTTED BY THE BANK OF ITALY THROUGH TENDERS

MAIN REFINANCING OPERATIONS

- Regular Eurosystem reverse operations allotted by the Bank of Italy through tenders. Main refinancing operations are executed at weekly intervals through standard tenders and have a maturity of two weeks; as of the auction of 9 March 2004, they have a maturity of one week. Tenders can be fixed rate (with the rate set in advance by the ECB) or variable rate (with a single rate or multiple rates). On 8 June 2000 the Governing Council established a minimum bid rate for main refinancing operations with effect from 28 June 2000.

REFINANCING OPERATIONS

- Regular Eurosystem reverse operations allotted by the Bank of Italy through tenders. Longer-term financing operations are normally executed at monthly intervals through standard tenders and have a maturity of three months. Tenders can be fixed rate (with the rate set in advance by the ECB) or variable rate (with a single rate or multiple rates). The first three longer-term financing operations were executed on the same day (13 January 1999); for technical reasons these operations have been recorded as if executed on three different days (12, 13 and 14 January).

OTHER OPERATIONS

- Other Eurosystem open-market operations allotted by the Bank of Italy through tenders. They may be fine-tuning or structural operations. The item does not include operations carried out using bilateral procedures. Temporary finetuning operations are operations serving to provide or absorb liquidity carried out with no fixed frequency by means of quick tenders. Temporary structural operations are Eurosystem operations serving to provide liquidity, carried out at regular or irregular intervals by the Bank of Italy by means of standard tenders.

VARIABLE RATE TENDERS

- Tender procedure whereby counterparties specify both the total amount they intend to trade with the central bank and the interest rate at which they are prepared to carry out the transaction. Tenders can be single rate (Dutch) or multiple rate (American). In Dutch tenders the allotment interest rate applied for all successful bids is equal to the marginal interest rate at which the total allotment was exhausted; in American tenders the allotment interest rate is equal to the interest rate offered for each individual bid. For tenders of the latter type, the marginal allotment rate is different from the average weighted rate. On 8 June 2000 the Governing Council established a minimum bid rate for main refinancing operations with effect from 28 June 2000.

FIXED RATE TENDERS

- Tender procedure where the interest rate is specified in advance by the Eurosystem and participating counterparties bid the amount of money they want to transact at the fixed interest rate.

SETTLEMENT DATE

- The settlement date of the cash leg of the transaction (normally the trading day following that on which the transaction was concluded).

S450762D - OTHER MONETARY POLICY OPERATIONS ALLOTTED BY THE BANK OF ITALY THROUGH TENDERS: BIDS (REFINANCING+; ABSORBING -)

The bids submitted by counterparties admitted to tenders. Liquidity-providing operations have a positive sign, liquidity-absorbing operations have a negative sign.

S564033D - MAIN REFINANCING OPERATIONS ALLOTTED BY THE BANK OF ITALY THROUGH TENDERS: BIDS

The bids submitted by counterparties admitted to the tender.

S889281D - MAIN REFINANCING OPERATIONS ALLOTTED BY THE BANK OF ITALY THROUGH TENDERS: ALLOTMENT

The amount allotted to counterparties admitted to the tender.

S937242D - OTHER MONETARY POLICY OPERATIONS ALLOTTED BY THE BANK OF ITALY THROUGH TENDERS: ALLOTMENT (REFINANCING+; ABSORBING -)

The amount allotted to counterparties admitted to tenders. Liquidity-providing operations have a positive sign, liquidity-absorbing operations have a negative sign.

S971139D - LONGER-TERM REFINANCING OPERATIONS ALLOTTED BY THE BANK OF ITALY THROUGH TENDERS: BIDS

The bids submitted by counterparties admitted to the tender.

S980124D - LONGER-TERM REFINANCING OPERATIONS ALLOTTED BY THE BANK OF ITALY THROUGH TENDERS: ALLOTMENT

The amount allotted to counterparties admitted to the tender.

TAME0205 - COUNTERPARTS OF MONEY: RESIDENTS OF THE EURO AREA

All the items in the table refer to the assets and liabilities of Italian MFIs vis-à-vis residents of Italy and the rest of the euro area, including central government. Tradable instruments (debt securities, investment fund units, moneymarket paper, shares and other equity) are valued at market prices. From January 2002, with the start of the circulation of the euro, the construction of these aggregates reflects the changes made to M1, M2 and M3 (see note to Table TAME0210).

S090607M - OTHER COUNTERPARTS OF MONEY

A residual item comprising the difference between the other assets (current and fixed) of Italian MFIs and their other liabilities, banknotes denominated in euro-area currencies held by Italian MFIs, Post Office deposits included in money, gold and other Bank of Italy assets, and the net position of Italian MFIs vis-à-vis MFIs in the rest of the euro area, obtained as the difference between Italian MFIs' assets and liabilities vis-à-vis MFIs in the rest of the euro area.

S314580M - TOTAL LIABILITIES OF ITALIAN MFIS AND THE POST OFFICE INCLUDED IN M3 $\,$

Obtained as the sum of currency held by the public, overnight deposits, deposits with agreed maturity up to 2 years, deposits redeemable at notice up to 3 months, repos, money-market fund units/shares, and debt securities up to 2 years and money-market paper.

S401859M - LIABILITIES OF ITALIAN MFIS TO EURO-AREA CENTRAL GOVERNMENT: DEPOSITS

Deposits (including repos) of the central governments of the euro-area countries with MFIs resident in Italy.

S477662M - TOTAL LIABILITIES OF ITALIAN MFIS TO NON-RESIDENTS OF THE EURO AREA

Deposits (including repos) of Italian MFIs held by residents of non-euro-area countries.

S508121M - CLAIMS OF ITALIAN MFIS ON EURO-AREA GENERAL GOVERNMENT AND OTHER RESIDENTS: LOANS

Finance granted by Italian MFIs to euro-area general government.

S539135M - CLAIMS OF ITALIAN MFIS ON EURO-AREA OTHER RESIDENTS: LOANS

Finance granted by Italian MFIs to residents of the euro area other than general government and MFIs.

S590393M - CLAIMS OF ITALIAN MFIS ON NON-RESIDENTS OF THE EURO AREA

Includes loans granted to non-residents of the euro area by Italian MFIs and debt securities and shares issued by nonresidents of the euro area held by Italian MFIs.

TAME0210 - ITALIAN COMPONENTS OF THE MONETARY AGGREGATES OF THE EURO AREA: RESIDENTS OF THE EURO AREA

All the items in the table refer to the liabilities of Italian MFIs and Central Government vis-à-vis the "money-holding sector" of the entire euro area included in M3. Tradable instruments (debt securities, investment fund units, money-market paper, shares and other equity) are valued at market prices.

From January 2002, with the start of the circulation of the euro, the item "currency held by the public" is obtained by applying the Capital Share Mechanism to 100% of the total value of the euro notes in circulation. From the same date the Italian contributions to the euro- area monetary aggregates are published excluding currency held by the public since the quantity of banknotes and coins actually held in each country can no longer be measured directly.

As of October 2007 the definition of M2 includes some Post Office liabilities that were previously excluded from the monetary aggregates (Post Office savings certificates other than ordinary Post Office savings certificates). As of the same date the MFI series contain the information on the balance sheet of Cassa Depositi e Prestiti s.p.a., reclassified from "other financial intermediary" to "other monetary financial institution".

S026473M - TOTAL LIABILITIES OF ITALIAN MFIS AND THE POST OFFICE INCLUDED IN M1

The item includes currency held by the public, freely available overnight deposits with MFIs resident in Italy and the Post Office. As of the end-November 2003 supplement, the Post Office overnight deposits included in the aggregate "Currency held by the public and overnight deposits" are partially estimated; the estimate is based on the total Post Office overnight deposits shown in the balance sheet of Ente Poste s.p.a. Until December 2001 this item comprises the lira notes in circulation (net of those held by other euro- area NCBs and national MFIs) and the lira coins in circulation (issued by the Treasury). From January 2002, the Italian component of currency in circulation, in addition to the value of the lira circulation, comprises the conventional value of the euro circulation, which differs from that obtained by applying the harmonized accounting methods for the note circulation since it is calculated by applying the Capital Share Mechanism to 100% of the total value of the euro notes in circulation, thus including the 8% share distributed by the NCBs but allocated for accounting purposes to the ECB. As of January 2003, the value of currency in circulation denominated in lire is excluded from this item.

S185934M - DEPOSITS WITH UP TO 2 YEARS AGREED MATURITY OF THE MONEY-HOLDING SECTOR

The series includes bank certificates of deposit redeemable up to 24 months and, from September 2005 to September 2007, 18-month Post Office savings certificates.

S195243M - DEPOSITS REDEEMABLE AT NOTICE UP TO 3 MONTHS OF THE MONEY-HOLDING SECTOR

The series includes freely available Post Office saving books and ordinary Post Office saving certificates until September 2007. As of October 2007, it includes all the other types of Post Office savings certificates.

S222525M - REPO DEPOSITS OF THE MONEY-HOLDING SECTOR

Banks' sales of securities under repurchase agreements; the item includes sales of securities denominated in noneuro-area currencies.

S233288M - ITALIAN MONEY-MARKET FUND SHARES/ UNITS HELD BY EURO-AREA RESIDENTS

Money-market funds are defined as those collective investment undertakings of which the units are close substitutes for deposits in terms of liquidity. This definition is likely to result in frequent changes in the reference population. The consequent discontinuities in the values of the stocks can be seen by comparing the differences between the values of the stocks from one month to the next with the flows shown in Table TAME0215.

S314580M - TOTAL LIABILITIES OF ITALIAN MFIS AND THE POST OFFICE INCLUDED IN M3

Obtained as the sum of currency held by the public, overnight deposits, deposits with agreed maturity up to 2 years, deposits redeemable at notice up to 3 months, repos, money-market fund units/shares, and debt securities up to 2 years and money-market paper.

S612973M - ITALIAN CONTRIBUTION TO EURO-AREA M2, EXCLUDING CURRENCY HELD BY THE PUBLIC

The sum of the contribution to euro-area M1 and deposits with agreed maturity up to 2 years and deposits redeemable at notice up to 3 months.

S633960M - ITALIAN CONTRIBUTION TO EURO-AREA M3, EXCLUDING CURRENCY HELD BY THE PUBLIC

The sum of the contribution to euro-area M2 and repurchase agreements, money-market fund shares/units and money-market paper, debt securities up to 2 years' agreed maturity, excluding debt securities issued by euro-area MFIs and held by Italian MFIs (see also the "General Indications" section).

S995653M - ITALIAN CONTRIBUTION TO EURO-AREA M1, EXCLUDING CURRENCY HELD BY THE PUBLIC

The sum of currency in circulation, excluding banknotes and coins in lire and other euro-area currencies held by Italian MFIs, and overnight deposits (see also the "General Indications" section).

TAME0215 - COUNTERPARTS OF MONEY: RESIDENTS OF THE EURO AREA (FLOWS)

Flows adjusted for changes in prices and exchange rates and for other factors such as the recognition of losses on claims and changes in the population of MFIs. Exchange rate adjustments are made only for instruments denominated in dollars, yen, Swiss francs and pounds. No adjustments are made for shares held by MFIs since the related breakdown by currency is not available. For the individual items, see the notes to Table TAME0205.

TAME0220 - ITALIAN COMPONENTS OF THE MONETARY AGGREGATES OF THE EURO AREA: RESIDENTS OF THE EURO AREA (FLOWS)

Flows adjusted for changes in prices and exchange rates and for other factors such as the recognition of losses on claims and changes in the sample. Exchange rate adjustments are made only for instruments denominated in dollars, yen, Swiss francs and pounds. For the individual items, see the notes to Table TAME0210.

TAME0230 - MONETARY ASSETS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS: RESIDENTS OF ITALY (FLOWS)

The flows of monetary assets, debt securities issued by MFIs, and other deposits are adjusted for price and exchange rate variations and other factors, such as changes in the composition of the sample. The adjustment procedure for exchange rate variations applies only to instruments denominated in US dollars, Japanese yen, Swiss francs and pounds sterling.

The flows of securities (BOTs, other government securities and other debt securities) held by the moneyholding sector are obtained as the difference between total net issues and the sum of the purchases made by other subscribers.

As of January 1999 the components of monetary assets and other financial instruments and credit based on balanceof-payments statistics are calculated using the methods established by the European System of Accounts (ESA95).

For further information on the financial instruments considered, on the definition of investment funds and other related matters, see also the notes to Table TAME0240.

TAME0240 - MONETARY ASSETS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS: RESIDENTS OF ITALY

The table shows the monetary assets and other financial instruments of the "money-holding sector" resident in Italy, as defined in the harmonized statistics, i.e. households, enterprises, local government and non-bank financial intermediaries (mainly non-money-market funds).

Financial instruments are divided into six categories: monetary assets; deposits other than those included in M3; BOTs; medium and long-term securities, divided in turn between government securities and other debt securities; other domestic financial instruments; and external financial instruments. The financial instruments covered do not include shares or other equity.

Until September 2007 the item "Other deposits" includes some Post Office fund-raising instruments (Post Office savings certificates other than ordinary Post Office savings certificates) subsequently included in the item "Total monetary assets" (M3)".

The units of Italian non-money-market funds are excluded from domestic financial instruments to avoid double counting with the aggregates in which such funds invest. The technical reserves of Italian insurance companies and pension funds are also excluded from domestic financial instruments.

By contrast, the item "External financial instruments" includes the units of foreign non-money-market funds, since in this case the problem of double-counting does not arise. External financial instruments are calculated using the methods established by the European System of Accounts (ESA95) and also include data on trade credits and technical reserves, which were previously not available.

The units issued by Italian non-money-market funds and the quantities of shares they hold domestically and externally are shown as memorandum items.

To permit a partial reconciliation with the series published up to December 1998, the amount held by nonmoney-market funds is shown for each item, since in the pre-EMU statistics these funds were not included in the moneyholding sector. The figures for these funds include SICAVs, harmonized open-end funds and, as of January 1999, nonharmonized funds.

S386171M - TOTAL MONETARY ASSETS OF THE HOLDING SECTOR

The series includes the monetary assets issued by residents of Italy. It is obtained as the sum of currency held by the public, overnight deposits, deposits with agreed maturity up to 2 years, deposits redeemable at notice up to 3 months, repurchase agreements, money-market fund shares/ units, debt securities up to 2 years' agreed maturity and money-market paper.

S776352M - OTHER DEPOSITS OF THE MONEY-HOLDING SECTOR

Deposits with over 2 years' agreed maturity, deposits redeemable at over 3 months' notice issued by MFIs resident in Italy and, until September 2007, Post Office savings certificates other than ordinary Post Office savings certificates, measured at issue value.

S845801M - MEDIUM AND LONG-TERM GOVERNMENT SECURITIES HELD BY THE MONEY-HOLDING SECTOR

The item includes CCTs, BTPs, CTZs and other government securities. Up to December 1998 they are stated at par value, subsequently at market and/or book value. The item refers to securities acquired outright: the government securities acquired by the "money- holding sector" under repurchase agreements are excluded and those sold under repurchase agreements are included.

S862672M - OTHER DEBT SECURITIES HELD BY THE MONEY-HOLDING SECTOR

The item excludes debt securities already included in M3; it includes those with maturities of over 2 years issued by MFIs and those of other issuers (excluding central government), measured from 1999 onwards at market value.

S928638M - OTHER FINANCIAL SAVING INSTRUMENTS OF THE MONEY-HOLDING SECTOR

The item includes surety deposits in connection with expropriations, FMI pension funds (technical reserves for bank employees), cashier's cheques and other surety deposits at the Bank of Italy.

S972854M - EXTERNAL FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS OF THE MONEY-HOLDING SECTOR (EXCLUDING SHARES)

The item includes the monetary assets vis-à-vis residents of other euro-area countries. It also includes: debt securities, deposits, technical reserves and trade credits vis-à-vis all foreign residents. Units of investment funds issued by foreign residents are included; shares and other equity are excluded.

TAME0250 - CREDIT: RESIDENTS OF ITALY (FLOWS)

The changes in the foreign currency component are net of exchange rate adjustments. For the items obtained from the balance sheets of MFIs, the flows are adjusted for changes in prices and exchange rates and for other factors such as the recognition of losses on claims and changes in the sample. Exchange rate adjustments are made only for instruments denominated in dollars, yen, Swiss francs and pounds. From January 1999 the components of financial assets and credit obtained from balance-of-payments statistics have been computed using the methods established in ESA95. The main changes concern the inclusion of data on all the deposits held abroad by Italian residents (previously only those held with the foreign branches of Italian banks were surveyed), together with data previously not available on trade credits and the technical reserves of insurance companies (liabilities of the latter towards customers) and shares of foreign mutual funds held by Italian residents. For the individual items, see the notes to Table TAME0270.

TAME0260 - MAIN FINANCIAL AND CREDIT AGGREGATES (12-MONTH PERCENTAGE CHANGES)

The growth rates are calculated as the ratio of the change over the twelve months to the initial stock. M1, M2 and M3 refer to the definitions published in Table TAME210. For "Financial assets", see Table TAME240; for "Finance to other residents" and "Credit", see Table TAME270.

TAME0270 - CREDIT: RESIDENTS OF ITALY

The items refer to "Other residents" and general government, which have replaced respectively the non-state sector and the state sector referred to in the statistics up to December 1998 (see the "General Indications" section). From January 1999 the components of financial assets and credit obtained from balance-of-payments statistics have been computed using the methods established in ESA95. The main changes concern the inclusion of data on all the deposits held abroad by Italian residents (previously only those held with the foreign branches of Italian banks were surveyed), together with data previously not available on trade credits and the technical reserves of insurance companies (liabilities of the latter towards customers) and shares of foreign mutual funds held by Italian residents.

S149181M - LOANS OF ITALIAN MFIS TO ITALIAN "OTHER RESIDENTS"

Loans to residents of Italy apart from general government and MFIs ("Other residents") granted by Italian MFIs.

S391111M - DEBT SECURITIES OF ITALIAN "OTHER RESIDENTS" HELD BY ITALIAN RESIDENTS

Total bonds issued by "Other residents" less amounts held by residents of other euro-area countries and the rest of the world.

S447932M - EXTERNAL FINANCE TO ITALIAN "OTHER RESIDENTS"

The item includes loans granted to "Other residents" by residents of other euro-area countries and the rest of the world and bonds of "Other residents" subscribed by residents of other euro-area countries and the rest of the world.

S486795M - ITALIAN GENERAL GOVERNMENT DEBT

At face value. Calculated, according to the EU definition, gross of Treasury claims on the Bank of Italy (the balances on the Treasury payments account, the sinking fund for the redemption of government securities and other minor accounts) as of December 1998 and of claims on the Bank of Italy-UIC previously.

S513307M - ITALIAN GENERAL GOVERNMENT DEBT TO ITALIAN MFIS

The securities in this aggregate are included at nominal value. As of September 2006 the series reflects the transfer of Cassa Depositi e Prestiti (CDP) from the sector Other Financial Intermediaries to Other Monetary Financial Institutions: Other Intermediaries.

S520128M - ITALIAN GENERAL GOVERNMENT DOMESTIC DEBT

At face value and net of the foreign debt of central government and local authorities.

S562034M - TOTAL DOMESTIC CREDIT

Total domestic finance to "Other residents" and general government domestic debt.

S601564M - TOTAL CREDIT

Finance to "Other residents" and general government debt.

TAME0280 - MONTHLY TREASURY BILL YELDS

BOT interest rates are calculated as a quantity-weighted average of the compound allotment rates, gross of withholding tax, in the auctions held in the month indicated. The series reflect the changes that have occurred in the auction methods used. In particular:

- in October 1981 the frequency auctions was changed from monthly to semimonthly;

- auctions of 3, 6 and 12-month BOTs have been based on the multiple-price method since March 1983, May 1984 and February 1988 respectively (previously the uniformprice method); - auctions of 3, 6 and 12-month BOTs have normally been held on a monthly basis since January, April and October 1998 respectively.

From 1 January 1999 the business year (360 days) is used instead of the calendar year (365 days).

From October 2000 changes to the law have permitted the issue of BOTs with maturities other than 3, 6 and 12 months.

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