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General Information on Croatia

Economic Indicators

	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Area (square km)	56,538	56,538	56,538	56,538	56,538	56,538	56,538	56,538	56,538.0
Population (million)	4.501	4.554	4.381	4.437	4.443	4.442	4.439	4.442	4.441
GDP (million HRK, current prices)	137,604	141,579	152,519	165,639	181,231	198,422	214,983	231,349	250,590
GDP (million EUR, current prices) ^a	19,274	18,673	19,977	22,171	24,468	26,232	28,681	31,263	34,220
GDP per capita (in EUR)	4,282	4,100	4,560	4,997	5,507	5,905	6,461	7,038	7,706
GDP – year-on-year rate of growth (in %, constant prices)	2.5	-0.9	2.9	4.4	5.6	5.3	4.3	4.3	4.8
Average year-on-year inflation rateb	5.7	4.0	4.6	3.8	1.7	1.8	2.1	3.3	3.2
Current account balance (million EUR)	-1,308	-1,429*	-568*	-821*	-2,099*	-1,889*	-1,454*	-1,988*	-2,647*
Current account balance (as of % GDP)	-6.8	-7.7*	-2.8*	-3.7*	-8.6*	-7.2*	-5.1*	-6.4*	-7.7*
Exports of goods and services (as of % GDP)	39.8	41.0*	47.1*	48.8*	45.5*	50.1*	49.7*	48.9*	49.7*
Imports of goods and services (as of % GDP)	49.1	49.3	52.3	54.6	56.4	57.9	56.5	55.9	57.4*
External debt (million EUR, end of year) ^c	9,173	10,175	12,264	13,609	15,143	19,884	22,933	25,748	29,184*
External debt (as of % GDP)	47.6	54.5	61.4	61.4	61.9	75.8	80.0	82.4	85.3*
External debt (as of % exports of goods and services)	119.4	133.0*	130.2*	125.9*	136.1*	151.3*	161.0*	168.6*	171.7*
External debt service (as % of exports of goods and services)^{c,d}	12.3	24.6*	26.2*	28.2*	29.8*	21.3*	22.0*	24.4*	35.0*
Gross international reserves (million EUR, end of year)	2,400	3,013	3,783	5,334	5,651	6,554	6,436	7,438	8,725
Gross international reserves (in terms of months of imports of goods and services, end of year)	3.0	3.9	4.3	5.3	4.9	5.2	4.8	5.1	5.3*
National currency: Croatian kuna (HRK)									
Exchange rate on 31 December (HRK : 1 EUR)	7.3291	7.6790	7.5983	7.3700	7.4423	7.6469	7.6712	7.3756	7.3451
Exchange rate on 31 December (HRK : 1 USD)	6.2475	7.6477	8.1553	8.3560	7.1457	6.1185	5.6369	6.2336	5.5784
Average exchange rate (HRK : 1 EUR)	7.1392	7.5818	7.6339	7.4710	7.4070	7.5642	7.4957	7.4000	7.3228
Average exchange rate (HRK : 1 USD)	6.3623	7.1220	8.2874	8.3392	7.8725	6.7044	6.0312	5.9500	5.8392
Consolidated general government balance (as $\%$ of GDP)^e $$		-7.1	-7.5	-6.8	-4.9	-6.2	-4.8	-4.0	-3.0
Public debt (as % of GDP) ^f			48.7	49.8	48.8	48.6	48.9	49.2	46.6
Unemployment rate (ILO, persons above 15 years of age) ⁹	11.4	13.6	16.1	15.8	14.8	14.3	13.8	12.7	11.2
Employment rate (ILO, persons above 15 years of age) ^g	47.0	44.8	42.6	41.8	43.3	43.1	43.5	43.3	43.6

Calculated by applying the average annual exchange rate (HRK/1 EUR) to the GDP in kuna terms.
 From 1996 to 1998, the rate of inflation was measured by the retail price index. From 1999 on, it is measured by the consumer price index.
 External debt indicators for the period 1998-2005 are shown on a gross basis, while the indicators for the period up to 1997 do not include interest arrears and accrual interest, hybrid and subordinated instruments, repo transactions of banks and the CNB, deposits of international financial institutions with the CNB, and one-side effects of the secondary bond market.
 Includes principal payments on bonds, long-term trade credits and long-term credits, as well as total interest payments not onds, long-term trade credits and long-term credits, as well as total interest payments not onds.
 Total balance excluding capital revenues (GFS 1986) in the period from 1999 to 2001 is shown on a cash basis. From 2001 on, total balance is shown on a modified accrual basis and includes CM, CR CPF and DAB.
 Public debt includes general government debt and issued government guarantees.
 Employment and unemployment rates as at November 1996 and as at June 1997.
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Introduction

Real economic growth was 6.8% in the first half of 2007 relative to the first half of 2006. Real GDP accelerated sharply in the first quarter, rising at an annual rate of 7.0%, and the economy continued to grow at a high rate of 6.6% in the second quarter. This was primarily due to continued strong personal consumption growth, while gross fixed capital formation slowed relative to the first quarter. Government consumption continued to rise in the second quarter at a rate which exceeded the average rate in the previous year. At the same time, a more dynamic foreign trade, with the real growth of goods and services exports accelerating slightly faster than the growth of imports, significantly offset the negative contribution of net foreign demand to real GDP growth relative to the beginning of the year. GVA in all economic activities increased considerably in the first half of 2007. The increase was faster in manufacturing than in service activities, but due to the smaller share of manufacturing activities in the economy their contribution was somewhat smaller than the contribution of service activities.

According to the available monthly indicators of economic activity, positive developments in the real sector are likely to continue, although most likely at slightly lower rates than in the first half of this year. This is confirmed by the industrial production volume growth, continuing at markedly lower rates in the beginning of the third quarter than in the January to June period in 2007. The highest annual rates of change were recorded in the manufacture of durable and non-durable consumer goods and intermediate goods, while the manufacture of capital goods, after having grown sharply in the second quarter, reduced early in the third quarter. Total retail trade, having stabilised at high levels in the second quarter this year, rebounded in July, and positive trends were also observed in construction early in the third quarter.

Changes in trends in the sources of household consumption financing confirm the continuation of a strong annual growth in personal consumption in the third quarter of 2007. Bank placements to households, excluding housing loans, slowed down in real terms over July and August compared with the beginning of the year, but their growth rates were still high. Positive movements were observed in the labour market as well. In the same period, the semi-annual pension adjustment in September and the repayment of another instalment of the pensioners' debt in June are likely to have positive effects on personal consumption in the second half of the year. Positive trends are also anticipated in gross fixed capital formation, whose growth might pick up in the remaining part of the year. This is confirmed by an upsurge in construction in July, strong growth of capital and intermediate goods imports and government announcements of an upturn in public investments in the second half of the year. By contrast, bank corporate placements slowed annually in July and August, but it is worth mentioning here that companies also made use of alternative financing sources and, increasingly, of foreign financing sources.

Since the beginning of 2007, the CBS has been publishing the results of the Labour Force Survey in quarterly intervals, and not semi-annually as was formerly done. This was in response to the requirement to upgrade the Survey and bring it in line with the *acquis*. As shown by the latest Labour Force Survey data, the unemployment and employment rate stood at 11.2% and 42.8% respectively in the first quarter this year.

Favourable labour market trends continued from the first into the second quarter this year, as evidenced by a decline in both the level and rate of registered unemployment and continued total employment growth trend. The drop in registered unemployment in that period was primarily due to a decline in the number of newly registered with the CES. Similar trends were also observed at the beginning of the third quarter, with the registered unemployment rate standing at 13.8% at end-August, its lowest value since 1997. The preliminary CBS data and data on the number of insured with the CPIA point to total employment growth in the second quarter this year relative to the same period in the previous year. Real gross wages rose by an annual 3.3% in the second quarter, whereas average real net wages grew at a slower rate owing to the tax progression effect. Thanks to strong industrial labour productivity growth in the same period, price pressures stemming from the labour market were subdued.

Consumer price inflation accelerated very slightly in the first seven months of 2007, up from 2.0% in December 2006 to 2.1% in July 2007. Accelerating more strongly in August, the rate reached 2.6%, whereas the monthly growth rate of the overall CPI stood at 0.6%. This is primarily a result of a supply-side shock, involving a rise in agricultural and industrial food products prices due to drought-related crop losses in Croatia. The acceleration of the year-on-year consumer price inflation rate in the first eight months of 2007 was predominantly driven by the growth of the year-on-year rate of change in core inflation and agricultural products prices. Core inflation remained higher than overall consumer price inflation, with its year-on-year rate of change up from 2.3% in December 2006 to 3.0% in August 2007. The largest contribution to the acceleration of core inflation in the said period came from an increase in some food products prices (bread and cereal products), footwear prices, tobacco prices and the prices of services freely formed on the market (primarily package holidays). The year-on-year rate of change in agricultural products prices increased from -1.3% in December 2006 to 5.4% in August 2007.

The year-on-year growth rate of administrative prices slowed from 2.0% in December 2006 to 0.7% in August 2007, mainly due to a drop in the year-on-year rate of change in water supply prices, caused by a favourable base effect. By contrast, domestic refined petroleum products prices rose in the first eight months in 2007. This was in response to the increase in world market crude oil prices, with the ensuing upward pressures on domestic prices alleviated by the appreciation of the kuna/US dollar exchange rate and the government's decision, enacted already in May, to reduce excises on all types of unleaded petrol. In addition, imported inflationary pressures on domestic prices in the first eight months this year were also stemming from the rise in the prices of crude oil and some other raw materials on the world market, but they were less marked than in the same period last year. The year-on-year rate of change in domestic industrial producer prices also accelerated (from 1.9% in December 2006 to 3.6% in August 2007). Producer price growth in the observed period was recorded in all main industrial groupings, except in capital goods. The year-on-year rate of change in intermediate goods increased the most, which was primarily due to the world market price increase in raw materials spilling over to domestic products prices.

Domestic consumer price inflation trends were favourably affected by the stable exchange rate. The nominal kuna/euro exchange rate appreciated by 1.1% in the second quarter 2007. Appreciation pressures on the exchange rate prevailed in the third quarter, with slight depreciation pressures observed around the middle of the month. In July, the kuna exchange rate was under appreciation pressures, primarily resulting from rising foreign exchange inflows at the peak of the tourist season. In an effort to alleviate the appreciation pressures, the central bank in July conducted two foreign exchange interventions, purchasing from banks a total of EUR 139.0m. The appreciation of the kuna exchange rate in the second half of September was also due to increased demand for the kuna intended for the purchase of T-HT shares. The kuna/euro exchange rate appreciated by only 0.3% in the third quarter.

In the third quarter 2007, monetary environment was strongly influenced by seasonal trends which, coupled with tightened monetary policy measures, resulted in a decrease in bank external debt and slowdown in bank placements to the non-banking sector.

Since bank placement growth in the first six months of the year was stronger than anticipated by monetary policy measures, the CNB in June 2007 amended the Decision on the purchase of compulsory CNB bills, limiting the monthly growth of placements not subject to compulsory purchase of CNB bills to 0.5%. Central bank measures proved effective in curbing bank lending activity. Bank placements grew at an annual rate of 18.7% at end-August, which was a decrease of 4.2 percentage points compared with end-2006. Furthermore, in July and August (following the amendment to the Decision) bank placements grew by a mere 0.4%. In an effort to mitigate the effects of the decision, banks reduced corporate placements, whose annual growth rate declined from 24.4% at end-2006 to 17.0%, whilst the growth rate of household loans reduced by 1.6 percentage points to 20.2%.

All monetary aggregates grew further in the second quarter and in the first two months of the third quarter, with foreign currency deposits up at the highest rate. In addition to the strong inflow of funds during summer months, savings with banks were also boosted due to favourable terms offered and marketing activities carried out by banks prompted by high prices of foreign sources of financing to attract funds from domestic sources. In addition to household and corporate deposits, deposits of other banking and non-banking financial institutions also rose significantly, indicating good liquidity levels of funds, which temporarily deposited excess liquidity with banks.

Following a seasonal drop in the first quarter, money (M1) also increased sharply in the second quarter and in the first two months of the third quarter, which primarily re-

sulted from an increase in demand for demand deposits and currency during the summer months. Total liquid assets also surged.

The growth of domestic financing sources during the summer months enabled banks to considerably reduce their external liabilities. This reduction was also a result of substantial recapitalisations of banks, amounting to HRK 7.3bn in the first eight months of 2007. Banks foreign assets and the minimum foreign currency liquidity increased over the third quarter. The increase in foreign currency liquidity was also in consequence of the amendment to the Decision on the minimum required amount of foreign currency claims, introduced by the central bank with a view to extending the scope of banks' foreign currency claims in the period from July to October to include a EUR 244.5m short-term foreign currency loan to the government.

Despite the rising demand for the kuna and strong foreign currency inflows, appreciation pressures on the kuna exchange rate remained subdued in the third quarter of 2007, so that only two foreign exchange interventions sufficed to alleviate them. The central bank created reserve money primarily by means of regular reverse repo auctions. In spite of high levels of free reserves, especially in the main tourist season, banks' demand for liquidity increased. In addition to the seasonal influence, the increase in the demand for the kuna was also generated by the rise in kuna reserve requirements, issue of a government bond and supply of foreign exchange resulting from external borrowing by enterprises. In order to meet this demand and offset the imbalance in the money market, the CNB accepted all the received bids on regular repo auctions at an unchanged marginal rate of 3.5%. Total amount generated by reverse repo operations during the summer months, including a fine tuning operation, exceeded HRK 7.0bn. The increase in demand for reserve money late in the third quarter, a consequence of the IPO of T-HT, occurred in a stable monetary environment provided by the central bank.

Thanks to a slower increase in the foreign trade deficit and improvement in net services exports compared with the same period in the previous year, the current account deficit expanded relatively modestly on an annual basis in the second quarter 2007. The slower increase in the trade deficit can be attributed to good results in goods exports and a slowdown in goods imports. In contrast, balances in factor income and current transfers accounts deteriorated.

Although accelerating in the second quarter, total goods exports grew less in the first eight months of 2007 than in the same period in 2006 (12.3% and 16.7% respectively, based on a constant US dollar exchange rate). This can be primarily ascribed to a drop in the exports of energy products (natural and manufactured gas and electric current), as well as of some food products. However, exports in several other SITC divisions remained strong, especially in the division of ships, electrical machinery apparatus and appliances and oil and refined petroleum products.

Goods imports increased at an annual rate of 12.5% in the first eight months of 2007, which is a decrease from the rate of 17% in the same period in 2006. This is largely attributable to a decline in imports of natural and manufactured gas, which was especially marked in the second quarter when gas

consumption fell due to warm weather. On the other hand, the imports of road vehicles and steel and iron continued to increase at an accelerated pace and capital goods imports also grew further, although at a slower rate than in the previous year.

Foreign direct investments in Croatia in the capital and financial account increased slightly in the second quarter of 2007, with recapitalisation of foreign owned banks dominating in their structure. The net portfolio investment inflow was relatively small because foreign assets of domestic sectors rose at the same rate as foreign liabilities. The increase in foreign assets was primarily accounted for by the increase in domestic investment funds' investments in foreign markets, while the increase in liabilities was mainly generated by a new CBRD bond issue.

The net inflow in the account of other investments was considerably lower than in the second quarter 2006 due to a weaker increase in total liabilities of domestic sectors arising from loans received, trade credits and currency and deposits. The major cause of this is the decrease in bank liabilities resulting from CNB measures aimed at curbing placement growth. However, as the decrease in bank debt was to a great extent offset by the accelerated increase in enterprise debt, total external debt rose at the second-quarter end. As tightened CNB measures and a favourable seasonal effect led to a sharp fall in banks' external debt in July and August, total external debt is likely to remain unchanged at the end of the third quarter from the end of the previous quarter.

Fiscal developments were mostly positive in the first six months of 2007. Consolidated general government revenues increased at an annual rate of 13.1% in the first half of the year, driven primarily by rising revenues from VAT, social contributions and profit tax. Expenditures grew at almost half this rate (6.7%), with especially strong growth recorded in expenditures on employee compensation, social benefits and the use of goods and services. In addition, government investment activity, including investments in road infrastructure, remained buoyant in the first six months of 2007.

Due to these developments, the consolidated general government deficit (on a cash basis, GFS 1986) stood at HRK 0.3bn at the end of the first six months in 2007, which is a significant decrease compared with the same period in 2006. The deficit was financed by domestic borrowing, with the funds partially used to settle external liabilities due.

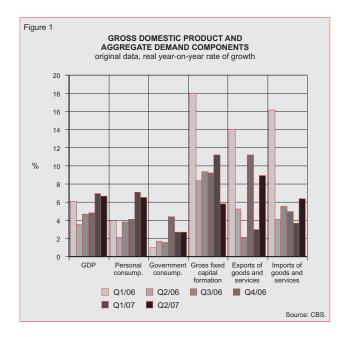
According to CNB data, general government debt, including CBRD debt, reached HRK 113.6bn at end-June this year. Of this amount, 56.5% was accounted for by domestic debt and the remainder by external debt. The increase in debt of HRK 3.2bn compared with the end of last year was primarily the result of the rise in liabilities related to MoF's domestic bond issues and CBRD's foreign bond issues.

Demand

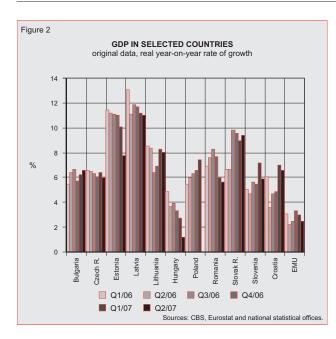
Following a noticeable pickup in real GDP growth (to 7.0% annually) over the first quarter of this year, the economy continued to grow at a high rate of 6.6% in the second quarter. This was mostly due to further strengthening of personal consumption, as opposed to gross fixed capital formation, whose annual growth slowed down considerably relative to the first quarter, almost halving its contribution to total GDP growth compared with the beginning of 2007. After having grown at the rate of 2.8% in the first quarter, government consumption only slightly decelerated in the remainder of the year, so that its contribution exceeded the previous year's average. The developments in the stated aggregate demand components resulted in a somewhat stronger demand for imported goods and, consequently, in an acceleration of goods and services imports relative to the first quarter. On the other hand, foreign demand increased markedly in the same period, leading to a strong acceleration of the annual exports of goods and services. As a result, the negative contribution of net exports was noticeably reduced compared with the first quarter of 2007.

Taken cumulatively, gross domestic product at constant prices rose by 6.8% in the first half of 2007 relative to the same period last year,¹ which saw a considerably lower economic activity growth rate of 4.8%.

The available monthly economic activity indicators for July and August 2007 point to continued strong growth in real GDP, but at lower rates. A slowdown in industrial production was accompanied by a rise in real retail trade turnover and favourable movements in construction. Furthermore, the nominal CBS data on trade in goods point to a mild slowdown in foreign demand, particularly the demand for oil and refined petroleum products.

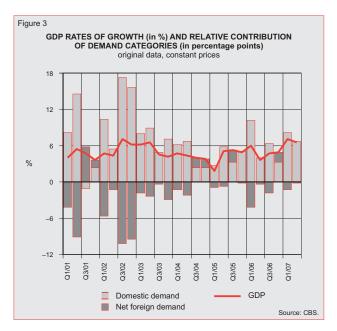


1 The CBS data on GDP for the period from the first quarter of 2005 to the second quarter of 2007 are preliminary (not adjusted to the annual GDP calculation, i.e. they are based on quarterly GDP estimates).



Relatively strong economic growth over the first half of 2007 was reported by most countries that joined the EU in the last two accession waves, which provided an impetus to domestic production. According to the national statistical offices' data for the first and second quarters of 2007, the exceptionally fast-growing economies were again the Baltic countries, with the highest growth rates reported by Latvia (11.2% and 11.0% in the first and second quarters respectively), Estonia (10.1% and 7.8% in the first and second quarters respectively) and Lithuania (8.3% and 8.0% in the first and second quarters respectively). Strong economic growth was also recorded in Slovakia (9.0% and 9.4% in the first and second quarters) and Slovenia (7.2% and 5.9% in the first and second quarters respectively). Only slightly lower growth rates were observed in Bulgaria (6.2% and 6.6% in the first and second quarters respectively) and the Czech Republic (6.4% and 6.0% in the first and second quarters respectively). At the same time, economic growth in the eurozone slowed down mildly, from 3.3% in the last quarter of 2006 to 3.0% in the first and 2.5% in the second quarter of the current year.

Eurostat's short-term forecasts of eurozone GDP growth suggest continued strengthening of total economic activity over the second half of 2007. Expectations are that a chain increase in GDP in this group of countries, adjusted for seasonal and working day differences, will range between 0.2% and 0.8% in the third and fourth quarters. If these forecasts come true, there will be a mild annual slowdown in economic growth, and GDP is expected to rise at a rate of about 2.5% over the second half of the year. Moreover, the most recent results of the EU Consumer and Business Confidence Survey suggest a drop in consumer and business optimism in July and August, according to the composite economic sentiment index for the eurozone, which additionally corroborates the likelihood of a more moderate annual growth of total economic activity in this group of countries for the remainder of the year.



Foreign Demand

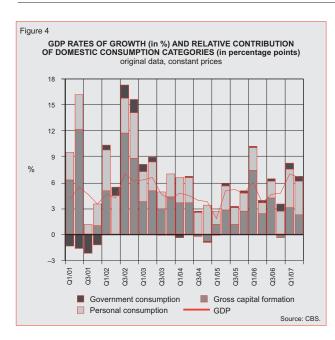
According to quarterly GDP estimate, the real growth of both imports and exports of goods and services slowed down at the beginning of 2007, but it accelerated again markedly as early as the second quarter. Goods and services exports rose by 8.9% annually over the second quarter of 2007, contributing 4.1 percentage points to overall real GDP growth. Goods and services imports rose at a somewhat slower rate (6.4%) in the same period, resulting in an almost neutral contribution of net foreign demand (–0.1 percentage point).

In the first half of the year, total exports grew somewhat faster annually (6.3%) than total imports (5.2%). However, given the twice as high value of total goods and services imports as that of total exports in the observed period, net foreign demand made a negative contribution to real GDP growth of 0.6 percentage points, almost four times less than in the same period last year.

As suggested by the nominal (seasonally adjusted) CBS data on trade in goods, July and August saw a mild decline in goods exports relative to the second quarter. However, their growth rates remained relatively high, particularly as concerns foreign demand for investment goods and durable consumer goods, whereas energy exports dropped considerably. Exports of capital goods increased cumulatively by 27.5% in July and August relative to the same period last year. A similar trend was observed in intermediate goods exports which accelerated to 12.7%. The CBS data also point to a mild slowdown in goods and services exports at the beginning of the third quarter, on account of reduced imports of oil and refined petroleum products. All other product groupings showed relatively high annual growth rates.

Domestic Demand

Strong economic growth in the first and second quarters of 2007 was significantly fuelled by a noticeable recovery of domestic demand, primarily personal demand, with a significant contribution also made by investments early in the year.



In the second quarter, domestic demand contributed 6.7 percentage points to total GDP growth of 6.6%. Despite stopping the upward trend in personal consumption in the third quarter of 2007, this category still rose at a high rate of 6.5% in this period, accounting for almost two thirds of the real growth in total economic activity. Following its sharp annual increase by 11.2% early in the year, gross fixed capital formation slowed down markedly to a rate of 5.8% in the second quarter, whereas government consumption growth remained at nearly the same level as in early 2007. The change in inventories, which includes statistical discrepancy, made a mild positive contribution to real GDP growth over the second quarter of the year.

Personal Consumption

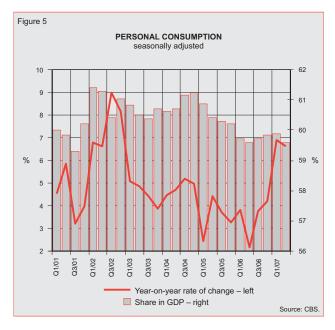
Personal consumption, being the most significant aggregate demand component, rose at a somewhat slower pace in the second quarter of 2007, following its exceptionally strong annual growth of 7.1% in the first quarter. However, its annual growth rate remained high (6.5%), thus contributing 4.0 percentage points to real GDP growth, much more than the previous year's average.

Rapid personal consumption growth over the first and second quarters of 2007 also contributed to a marked increase in retail trade turnover, as well as to a rise in value added tax revenues. A business survey for the period December 2006-March 2007 carried out by Privredni vjesnik suggests a mild decline in optimism in trade which can be ascribed to high initial expectations of merchants whose orders surpassed the actual demand, as shown by a sharp rise in inventories in retail and wholesale trade.

The available monthly indicators on personal consumption trends in the third quarter of 2007 support the expectations for continued strong annual growth of this aggregate demand component compared with the first half of 2007. After having stabilised at high levels during the second quarter of the year, total retail trade resumed its upward trend in July, leading to a 6.4% increase in real retail trade turnover, seasonally adjusted, relative to the same period in 2006. A sizeable increase in VAT revenues over July and August also points to favourable movements in personal consumption during this period. However, it is hard to establish to what extent these movements are associated with stronger demand by foreign tourists.

Changes in trends in the sources of household consumption financing confirm the continuation of strong annual growth of personal consumption over the third quarter of 2007. Bank placements to households, excluding housing loans, slowed down in real terms over July and August compared with the beginning of the year, but their growth rates were still high (13.5% cumulatively, according to the average loan balance).

Positive movements were observed in the labour market as well. Administrative sources (preliminary CBS data) point to a slight slowdown in employment at the beginning of the third quarter, as confirmed by the CPIA data on the number of insured persons that are considered to be more reliable short-term indicators of employment. However, these move-



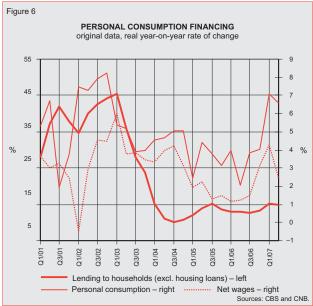
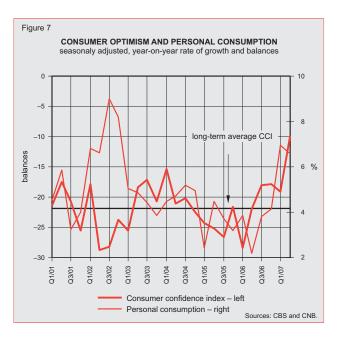


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INVESTMENT CONSUMPTION

gross fixed capital formation, seasonally adjusted

ments were accompanied by acceleration of real net wages paid (to 3.8%). The semi-annual pension adjustment² by 2.6% in September (starting from July pensions) and the repayment of another instalment of the pensioners' debt in June are likely to have positive effects on personal consumption over the second half of the year.

Personal consumption is expected to grow in the third quarter of the current year also on account of a rise in consumer optimism in April and July compared with the beginning of 2007, as suggested by the results of the CNB's Consumer Confidence Survey. Consumer Confidence Index (CCI) rose markedly in April, primarily on account of considerable growth of expectations regarding employment dynamics in the following 12 months, but also due to positive consumer ratings of their financial situations and the overall economic situation in Croatia in the coming year. Despite a mild decline in the CCI over July, it still remains well above its long-term average, thus suggesting a continuation of personal consumption growth. Moreover, trend indicators of industrial production, trade in goods and inventories for July and August point to the strengthening of domestic demand for durable consumer goods early in the second half of 2007, which can be a sign of a further rise in consumer optimism.

Investment Consumption

Following its strong growth during the first quarter of 2007, gross fixed capital formation slowed down noticeably in the second quarter (to 5.8%), with its contribution to total real GDP growth decreasing to 1.9 percentage points. The observed slowdown in this aggregate demand component most likely reflects the movements in public sector investment, given that the nominal MoF data on the acquisition of non-financial assets by the consolidated general government

suggest an annual decline in public sector capital investments in the second quarter.

According to investment consumption indicators at the beginning of the third quarter, investment consumption is expected to continue to rise in the reference period, yet at a somewhat slower pace than at the beginning of the year. The weakening of domestic demand for capital goods, observed early in the second half of the year, was accompanied by stronger (domestic and foreign) demand for intermediate goods. Such developments point to the growing demand of producers for production materials following a period of strong investment in machinery and equipment, which had an impact on imports and the fall in intermediate goods inventories. Favourable movements in investment activity can also be expected on account of construction activity dynamics. Thus, following a decline in the volume of construction works early in the year, and its stabilisation during the second quarter, construction activity, both the construction of buildings and road construction, strengthened again in July. In contrast to this, bank placements to enterprises slowed down considerably at the annual level during July and August. However, it should be borne in mind that enterprises have also had access to alternative and increasingly foreign sources of financing.

Government Consumption

Following the end of the fiscal consolidation which marked the period from end-2003 to early 2004, government consumption has grown continuously, contributing increasingly to total GDP formation. According to quarterly GDP estimate, government consumption rose by 2.8% in the first quarter of 2007, compared with the same period last year, declining only slightly at the annual level, to 2.7%, in the second quarter. As a result, the cumulative contribution of government consumption to real GDP growth was 0.6 percentage points in the first half of the year, double as large as in the same period last year, but still smaller than the contributions of other aggregate demand components (disregarding the volatile and analytically unreliable category "change in inventories").

² Pension indexation has been carried out since 2004, in accordance with the Act on Amendments to the Pension Insurance Act (OG 30/2004). Pursuant to the new Act on Amendments to the Pension Insurance Act (OG 92/2005), which took effect on 31 December 2005, the semiannual pension indexing is based on average semi-annual rate of change in consumer price index and average gross wage.

Box 1: Potential Output Growth

Potential output is the measure of the economy's production capacities and is generally defined as the highest level of output that can be sustained in the long run without producing inflationary pressures. In the short run, the difference between the potential GDP and actual GDP (the socalled output gap) reflects the relationship between supply and demand and points to potential inflationary pressures.

Potential output cannot be measured directly, but by using various methods of time series analysis, production function models, and, more recently, by increasingly applying structural economic models. Below is a brief presentation of the most commonly used methods.

The most prominent among the time series analysis methods is the Hodrick-Prescott (HP) filter which separates the trend component of the GDP series from the cyclical component. The so-called Band-Pass filters³ also decompose the series into the trend and cyclical components, one of these filters being the Christiano-Fitzgerald (CFA) filter. Simpler trend-based methods are the linear trend and square trend methods.

In production function models, GDP is related to production factors. The most common of them is the Cobb-Douglas production function:

$Y_t = A_t L_t^{\alpha} K_t^{\beta}$

where *Y* is the level of GDP, *L* is the labour employed and *K* is the accumulated capital. The level of technology and the efficiency of its utilisation are represented by *A* (total factor productivity), whereas α and β represent production elasticities in terms of labour and capital. If the sum of elasticities is 1 ($\alpha + \beta = 1$), the returns to scale of the production function are constant. If the sum of elasticities is less than one, the returns to scale are decreasing and if it is more than one, the returns are increasing.

It should be noted that, owing to methodological differences, the estimated levels of potential output (and, consequently, the output gap) may be, and frequently are, different.

The potential output level for Croatia is estimated on the basis of the real GDP data (by quarter), seasonally adjusted. The observed period is from the beginning of 1997 to the first quarter of 2007, inclusive.⁴

The potential output is estimated by means of the production function on the basis of annual data for the period 1997-2006. The labour factor (*L*) is represented by the number of the employed, and capital (*K*) by the estimated gross capital stock. The underlying assumption is that returns to scale are constant and the share of labour in the economy is 64%. Given a function specification, the potential output can be calculated by assessing the trend components of all production factors except capital. The smoothing of the capital series is not justified because the capital stock is an indicator of available production capacities.

Table 1 shows a calculation of potential GDP growth for Croatia by using different methods. The realised growth data point to its acceleration since 2002, to an average of 4.7% over the last five years, which is equal to the growth outturns in 2006. Given its structure, the HP filter most closely reflects the actual growth, whereas the use of production function approach and CFA filter results in somewhat lower potential growth levels than those achieved in the last few years. The linear trend and square trend method results deviate most from the average values, particularly in 2006. According to these assessments, the actual GDP growth remained at, or even slightly exceeded, the level of its potential growth over the last few years.

The production function method also provides for the calculation of individual production factor contributions to total economic growth (growth accounting). It is shown that the largest contribution to growth over the last decade was made by technology, i.e. an increase in total factor productivity. The second largest contribution came from capital, particularly after 2001, owing to investment acceleration. The most volatile category over the last decade was the labour factor, with its only negligible average contribution to economic growth. During recession in Croatia (end-1998 to early 1999), employment dropped, resulting in a negative contribution of the labour factor in the first sub-period. Despite the growth of employment during the economic expansion period (from 2002 on) the contribution of labour has been positive, but still the least of all growth factors. This is due to the demographic structure of the Croatian population, i.e. a rise in the share of elderly persons and a decline in the number of younger persons entering the labour force and finding jobs. The employment of unemployed persons and a stronger inflow of inactive population in the labour force could produce a one-off effect on the potential GDP level, without boosting economic growth in the long run. Therefore, the main growth generator in the coming period should be investment, and, particularly, the growth of factor productivity, which could be facilitated by Croatia's joining the EU.

Table 1: Potential GDP Growt	h Estimated by Different Methods
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	Realised	Potential GDP estimates based on:						
	GDP growth	Linear trend	Square trend	HP filter	CFA filter (asymmetric)	Production function		
2006	4.8	3.9	5.7	4.8	3.8	4.3		
1998 – 2006	3.6	3.9	3.8	3.8	3.7	3.8		
2002 – 2006	4.7	3.9	4.7	4.6	4.6	4.2		
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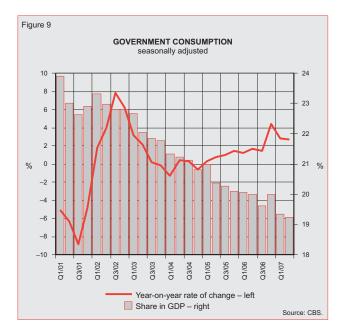
Source: CNB calculation.

Table 2: GDP Growth Decomposition by Production Factors

		Contributions to GDP growth				
	GDP	Labour	Capital	Total factor productivity		
1998 – 2001	2.2	-1.3	1.1	2.4		
2002 – 2006	4.7	1.0	1.7	2.0		
1998 – 2006	3.6	0.0	1.5	2.2		

³ The Band-Pass filters are based on the ability to recognise and allow passing only the central frequencies of a particular signal.

⁴ Please note that the CBS data on GDP for the post-2004 period are still preliminary and that previous data revisions led to considerable increases in the final GDP values relative to the preliminary indicators for the period 2001-2004.



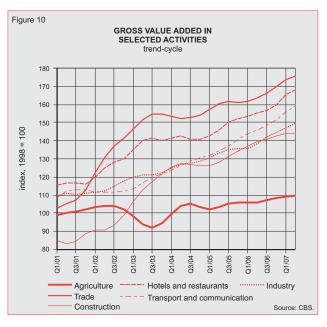
According to nominal MoF data on the realised revenues and expenditures of the consolidated central government (on a cash basis) for July and August 2007, compensation of public administration employees, including severance payments, accelerated annually, thus fuelling the nominal growth of total government consumption in this period. These developments were paralleled with a marked increase in expenditures for the use of goods and services, which is likely to have a similar effect. However, it is difficult to assess the contribution of material and other expenses to real government consumption growth, given the differences in the coverage between the budgetary data and the System of National Accounts data.

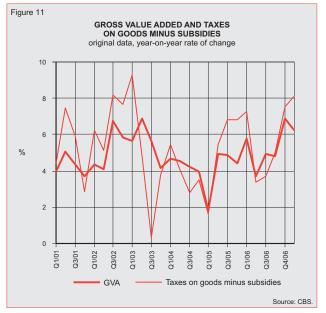
Output

As shown by quarterly GDP estimate based on production method, the annual growth rate of gross value added dropped from 6.9% in the first quarter to 6.3% in the second quarter of 2007. At the semi-annual level, all activities contributed positively to GVA growth, with the largest contributions coming from industry (2.4 percentage points) and financial intermediation (1.3 percentage points).

All economic activities, except public administration, reported slower growth rates of real GVA in the second quarter of 2007 relative to those early in the year, as confirmed by available monthly economic indicators. Total volume of industrial production rose at steady rates from May to July, with its August decline probably being a sign of stabilisation in industrial production over the third quarter. Following its strong growth early in the year, retail trade turnover held steady over the second quarter. Positive movements were also seen in domestic and foreign tourist arrivals and nights recorded in the balance of payments. Negative trends in construction were stopped at mid-year, as shown by a pronounced recovery in business optimism in this activity according to a survey carried out by Privredni vjesnik in June.

Economic growth acceleration early in 2007 contributed, through the tax mechanism, to a sharp increase in taxes on



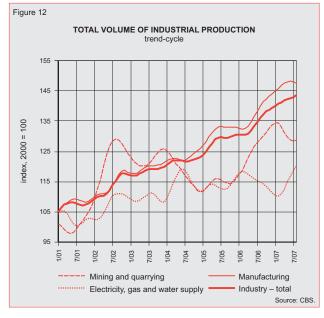


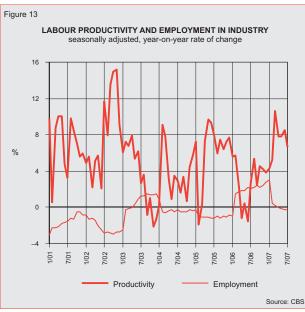
goods less subsidies (according to the National Accounts data). Owing to such developments GDP growth surpassed the growth in GVA over the first quarter of 2007. As shown by the MoF data on revenues and expenditures of the consolidated general government (on a cash basis, GFS 2001), net indirect taxes continued to rise at an exceptionally high rate (above 12.0%) in the second quarter, primarily on account of the sizeable growth of the taxes on goods, but also due to a cut in government subsidies to public and private sector enterprises. These movements announced the possibility of faster real GDP growth compared with the growth of GVA also in the second quarter of 2007, as confirmed by the quarterly GDP calculation for the second quarter.

Industry

Real value of production in industry, comprising manufacturing, mining and quarrying and energy supply, went up 8.4% in the second quarter of 2007 compared with the same period last year. However, its real growth slowed down by 0.4 percentage points relative to the beginning of the year.

Following its decline over the second quarter, total volume of industrial production resumed growth early in the third quarter (in July and August), but at a much lower rate then at the beginning of 2007. The annual growth of total volume of industrial production, seasonally and calendar adjusted, thus slowed down from 8.0% in the first quarter to 7.9% in the second quarter and 4.6% at the beginning of the third quarter. A very similar pattern of total volume of industrial production was also perceived in manufacturing, which reported an annual slowdown in the observed period, from 10.4% in the first quarter to 10.0% in the second quarter and 5.1% in July and August (cumulatively). By contrast, mining and quarrying showed negative tendencies over the first half of the year, which can be accounted for by a decline in the volume of construction activity in this period. However, a recovery of its growth in August 2007 suggests that this trend might stop. Additionally encouraging is the growth of





business optimism in construction at mid-2007 (according to the June survey conducted by Privredni vjesnik). Following a one-year contraction, production in energy supply climbed again in the second quarter and early in the third quarter of this year.

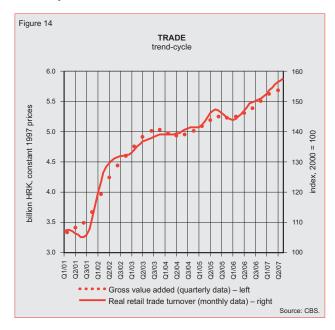
The first half of 2007 saw positive movements in labour productivity in industry. After having grown at a high rate of 4.2% in the last quarter of 2006, labour productivity accelerated to 6.7% annually in the first quarter and to 8.0% over the second quarter of 2007. Given the preliminary nature of the CBS employment data, their revision, expected in April next year will probably result in a downward correction in labour productivity growth rates.

Trade

Annual growth rates of GVA in wholesale and retail trade (8.2% and 7.5% in the first and second quarters of 2007 respectively) were the highest rates of change in this NCEA section recorded since the last quarter of 2003. Given its high real growth rate and the sizeable share of this section's GVA in the total gross value added across all NCEA sections, the contribution of trade to total GVA growth increased significantly, to 1.2 percentage points over the first half of 2007.

According to the available monthly data, seasonally adjusted, real retail trade turnover rose by 5.9% over the second quarter of 2007, down 0.9 percentage points from the first three months of the year. The strong upward trend in retail trade that started in mid-2006 was thus stopped in the second quarter, mainly owing to a slowdown in retail trade turnover in June. However, a recovery was observed as early as July, and the annual turnover growth rate reached 6.4%. In line with the monthly retail trade indicators, the results of the business survey by Privredni vjesnik point to a mild decline in business optimism in trade over the second quarter and its recovery in the third quarter of 2007.

Looking at retail trade turnover by branches for the period April-July 2007, high nominal growth rates were recorded in non-specialised stores with food, and motor vehicles and

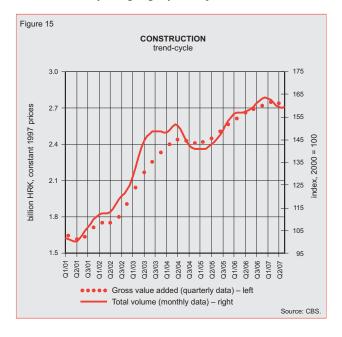


lubricants, making the largest positive contributions to nominal retail trade growth. The strongest negative contribution to retail trade growth in this period came from the sale of furniture and other household goods, as well as other retail sale in specialised stores.

Construction

Following a pickup in investment in gross fixed capital formation over the first quarter of 2007, which led to a noticeable recovery of GVA in construction, the second quarter saw a slowdown in gross fixed capital formation and, consequently, a marked decline in real GVA growth in construction. Real GVA growth in construction thus decreased from 7.6% in the first quarter to 2.5% in the second quarter of 2007, reducing also the contribution of this activity to the real growth of overall GVA from 0.6 to 0.2 percentage points.

Total volume of construction works rose mildly in June, with the recovery being slightly more pronounced in the con-



struction of buildings than in road construction, as suggested by this year's trends in the value of net construction project orders for certain types of works.

The rest of 2007 is likely to see a continuation of construction activity growth, partly fuelled by stronger public investment in road infrastructure planned for 2007. Moreover, the results of the CNB's Consumer Optimism Survey point to an increase in planned real estate investment of households in April and July compared with the beginning of 2007.

Hotels and Restaurants

Real GVA in the hotel and restaurant sector grew at a high rate of 9.7% in the first quarter of 2007. However, given the small share of this activity's GVA in total gross value added in the economy, its contribution to GVA growth was as low as 0.2 percentage points, the same as in the previous two years. The second quarter saw a slowdown in real GVA growth in this activity, paralleled with an increase in its share in total



GVA growth in the economy reaching 0.3 percentage points. However, it is noteworthy that the GVA trend in hotels and restaurants only partly reflects the overall economic importance of tourism, given the numerous direct and indirect effects of tourism on other economic branches.

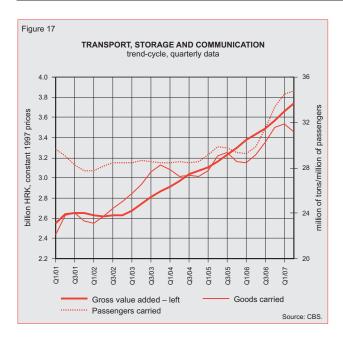
As shown by original CBS data, tourist nights rose by 7% year-on-year in the second quarter of 2007, slowing down mildly from 7.2% in the first quarter. Domestic tourist nights went up slightly faster, but their share in total tourist nights was only slightly above 10% in the second quarter. Tourists from Germany, Austria and Slovenia accounted for the largest shares in total foreign tourist nights. Similar trend was observed in tourist arrivals growing at a rate of 12.2% (both domestic and foreign tourist arrivals). The downward trend in tourist nights continued in July (the achieved growth was 6.6% year-on-year), and was even more pronounced in tourist arrivals (3.3% relative to 14.4% and 12.2% in the first and second quarters). The slowdown was more evident in foreign tourist arrivals.

The revenues from tourist services recorded in the balance of payments were in line with the volume indicators. The relatively strong growth of these kuna-denominated revenues in the first quarter was followed by their slight slowdown in the following months.

Transport and Communications

In early 2007, GVA in transport, storage and communications, at constant prices, continued to grow at high rates recorded in the previous year. The strong real GVA growth in this NCEA section (8.9%) in the first quarter of the year was followed by its only slight slowdown (8.4%) over the second quarter. In the second half of 2007, this propulsive activity contributed 0.8 percentage points to real total GVA growth, the same as in 2006.

Passenger transport (measured by the number of persons carried in all modes of transport) remained stagnant in the second quarter of 2007, whereas goods transport (measured by tons of goods transported) declined mildly relative



to the beginning of the year. Nevertheless, the annual rates of change (13.4% in passenger transport and 5.1% in goods transport, seasonally adjusted) were positive in this quarter, but markedly lower than in the first quarter.

Although the largest number of passengers was carried in road transport over the observed period, the annual rate of change in this mode of transport remained negative in the second quarter (-3.4%). In the same period, the number of passengers in rail transport continued to grow at a high rate (42.1%, according to original data), thus approaching the number of passengers carried in the (dominant) road transport. By contrast, road goods transport, measured by ton-kilometres, rose by 8.7% year-on-year in the second quarter, whereas rail goods transport went up 11.7%.

The trends observed in telecommunications services early in the year continued. The number of minutes spent in the fixed network fell by 12.7% annually in the second quarter of 2007. In the same period, minutes spent in the mobile network continued upwards at a high annual rate of 28.1%.

Labour Market

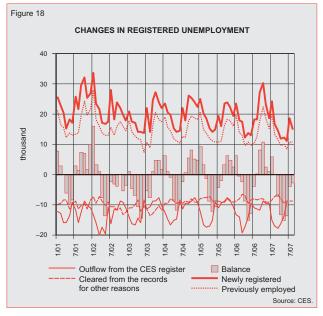
Since the beginning of 2007, the CBS has been publishing the results of the Labour Force Survey in quarterly intervals, and not semi-annually as was formerly done. This was in response to the requirement to upgrade the Survey and bring it in line with the *acquis*. The change in the Survey publishing dynamics makes it impossible to compare the data for the first quarter of 2007 with those available earlier. According to the most recent available data for the first quarter, the unemployment and employment rates stood at 11.2% and 42.8% respectively.

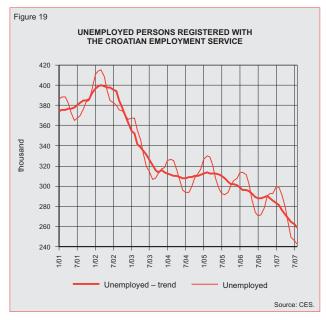
Favourable labour market trends from the first quarter of 2007 continued in the second quarter as well in July and August. Registered unemployment fell, its rate decreasing to 13.8% at end-August, the lowest rate since 1997. Employment indicators, preliminary CBS data on employment and the CPIA data on the number of employed persons point to an increase in total employment over the second quarter relative to the same period last year.

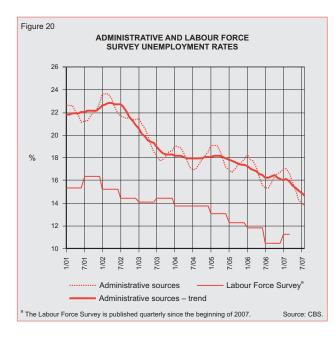
The annual slowdown in nominal gross and net wages and the annual acceleration of the consumer price index led to a decline in real gross and net wages paid in the second quarter of 2007. Owing to the tax progression effects, average real net wages rose slower than average real gross wages.

Unemployment and Employment

The number of unemployed persons registered with the CES totalled 35,400 in the second quarter of 2007, down 1,300 or 9.6% from the same period last year. This pronounced decrease in the number of the newly registered was partly attributable to low inflows into the register throughout the second quarter, particularly in June when the number of registered persons totalled 11,200, a record low since 1997. Strong inflows into the register reported in July and August were usual for early summer, owing to the inflows of persons







leaving regular education.

By contrast, due to seasonal employment, employment from the CES register strengthened during the second quarter relative to a quarter earlier. However, 51,000 persons employed from the register in this period were not enough to increase the annual level of employment. Clearings from the records for non-employment reasons remained low in the second quarter of 2007.

The labour market movements impacted positively on the trends in the registered unemployment level which declined relative to the first quarter of 2007. Unemployment dropped by 24,300 or 8.4% in the second quarter compared with the same period last year. Due to a further slowdown in unemployment over July and August, the number of unemployed persons registered with the CES stood at 242,900 and the registered unemployment rate fell to 13.8% at end-August (from 14.0% in July), the lowest recorded level and rate of registered unemployment since 1997.

During 2006, the CES created prerequisites for methodological and implementation improvements in the Labour Force Survey aimed at obtaining more accurate results and ensuring full harmonisation with the *acquis*. Therefore, the Survey has been conducted on a continuous basis since 2007, by interviewing households continually throughout the year, i.e. each week is a reference week, or surveyed or implementation week. The collected data are continually submitted to the CES which processes them and publishes the survey results on a quarterly basis.

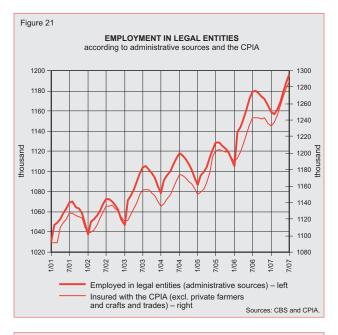
The described changes do not allow for comparisons with the existing survey data on employment and unemployment, as they are only available semi-annually. According to the Labour Force Survey data for the first quarter of 2007 published in July this year, unemployment stood at 197,000. The number of unemployed persons for the entire 2006 was 198,500. The Labour Force Survey unemployment rate stood at 11.2% in the first quarter of 2007 and was equal to the average Labour Force Survey rate for the entire 2006.

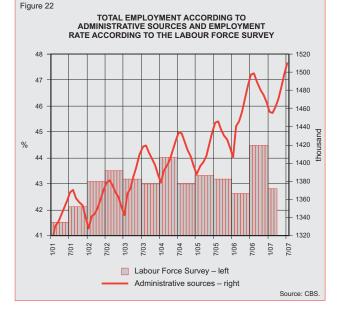
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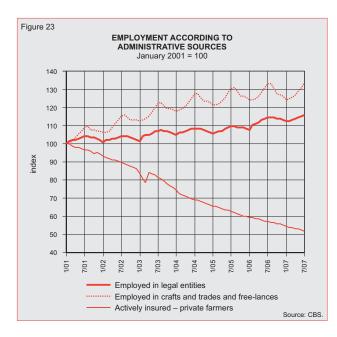
Employment indicators suggest further growth of total employment in the second quarter of 2007. The number of persons insured with the CPIA, being a reliable short-term indicator of employment, went up by 2.8% year-on-year in the second quarter. According to preliminary CBS data, average employment stood at 1.485 million in the April-June period, the annual employment growth rate being 0.9%. It should be noted that this annual rate is based on revised employment data for the period up to January 2007 and preliminary employment data for the period after that. This rate is therefore likely to be higher after the revision of the preliminary employment data for 2007, expected in April 2008.

The average number of employed persons according to the Labour Force Survey was 1.56 million, with the Labour Force Survey employment rate standing at 42.8%. For the entire 2006, average employment stood at 1.59 million.

Employment in legal entities, accounting for almost 80% of







overall employment, was the main generator of total employment growth during the second quarter of 2007. The number of persons employed in crafts and trades and free-lances went up by 0.4% annually, while the number of individual farmers actively insured with the CPIA continued downwards, thus offsetting the small, but positive contribution of employment growth in crafts and trades and free-lances to total employment.

Looking at total employment by activity for the second quarter of 2007, the largest positive contributions to total employment growth came from real estate, rental and other business services (4,500 or 4.5%), financial intermediation (1,000 or 2.9%), construction (3,600 or 2.7%) and wholesale and retail trade (6,600 or 2.6%). The increase in employment in education and health care mitigated the effect of its decrease in the narrowly defined public administration, so that employment in overall public administration went up by 2,500 or 0.9% annually. In contrast to this, the sharpest annual decrease in employment was recorded in electricity, gas and water supply (400 or 1.4%).

Wages and Labour Costs

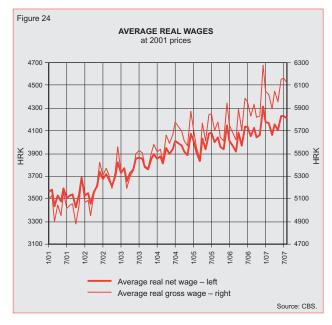
Real gross wages slowed down annually over the second quarter of 2007, their growth rate falling from 5.3% in the first quarter to 3.3% in the second quarter of 2007. Owing to the tax progression effects, the growth in the average real net wage lagged behind that in the average real gross wage in this period. The annual growth rate of net wages also decelerated, to 2.4% compared with the annual rate of change for the first quarter of the year (4.3%).

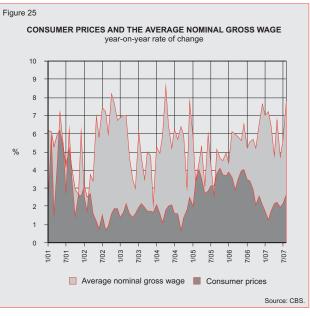
The annual slowdown in average real gross and net wages paid in the second quarter was largely the result of slower annual growth in average nominal gross and net wages and, to a smaller part, of the annual acceleration of the consumer price index. The annual growth rate of the average nominal gross wage paid in the second quarter stood at 5.5%, down 1.5 percentage points from the first quarter of 2007.

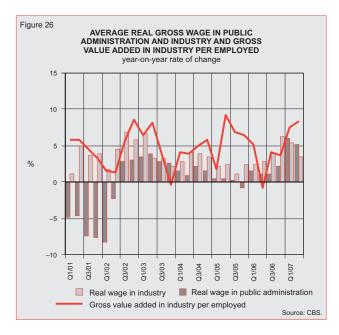
The annual slowdown in the average real gross wage in

the second quarter of 2007 was due to annual wage deceleration in all NCEA activities. The largest positive contributions to the growth in the average real gross wage came from manufacturing (0.7%) and wholesale and retail trade (0.7%), notably owing to their large shares in overall industry. The highest annual rates of gross wage growth were recorded in construction (6.8%) and mining and quarrying (5.9%). Real gross wages paid in public administration (including education, health care and social welfare) rose at a rate of 5.1% in the second quarter, down 0.9 percentage points from the first quarter.

Real gross wages in industry followed the general trends in real gross wages, so that the annual growth in the average real gross wage in industry slowed down from 5.5% in the first quarter to 3.5% in the second quarter of 2007. Labour productivity in industry, measured by the GVA dynamics in this activity, at constant prices per employee, rose at the rates of 7.5% and 8.3% in the first and second quarters respectively, exceeding markedly the real gross wage growth in this period.







As suggested by the real gross wage and labour productivity dynamics, price pressures coming from the labour market were not particularly strong.

Prices

The year-on-year consumer price inflation rate accelerated slightly in the first seven months of 2007, rising from 2.0% in December 20006 to 2.1% in July 2007, and continued to trend upward at a somewhat higher rate (2.6%) in August. The overall CPI increased by a sharp 0.6% in August relative to July, due primarily to a supply-side shock, that is, a rise in the prices of agricultural and industrial food products owing to drought-related crop losses in Croatia. Aiming to alleviate the upward pressures on prices, the government levied an export tax on maize⁵ and authorised its tax-free imports. The export tax on wheat was levied in September.⁶ The rise in cereal prices pushed up retail prices of bread and cereal products by an average 4.7% in August relative to July. Domestic producers warn that the bread price increase was also due to high energy products prices and rising world market prices of maize. The drought also pushed up vegetable prices by a significant 8.2% in August relative to July, while the seasonal drop in fruit prices was lower than usual. As cereal products and vegetables have a large share in the CPI basket, 5.1% and 3.0% respectively, their contribution to monthly inflation in August totalled 0.5 percentage points.

Imported inflationary pressures on domestic prices in the first eight months of this year stemmed from the rise in the prices of crude oil and some other raw materials on the world market, but they were less marked than in the same period last year. These pressures were offset by the appreciation of the kuna exchange rate against the US dollar (see Box 2)⁷ and the government's decision to reduce excises on all kinds of unleaded petrol. Consumer price inflation in the domestic economy was also favourably impacted by a slight appreciation of the kuna against the euro.⁸ Such exchange rate trends anchor inflationary expectations and stabilise the prices of consumer and intermediate goods and raw material imports from the eurozone. In addition, as shown by the latest available data, industrial labour productivity in the domestic economy increased at a sharper rate than the average nominal net wage (5.1%) in the first seven months of this year, so that the inflationary pressures from that source were subdued.

The acceleration of the year-on-year consumer price inflation rate in the first eight months of 2007 was primarily driven by the growth of the year-on-year rate of change in core inflation and agricultural products prices. Core inflation remained higher than overall consumer price inflation, with its year-on-year rate of change up from 2.3% in December 2006 to 3.0% in August 2007, and its contribution to the overall consumer price inflation rate rising by 0.5 percentage points. The largest contribution to the acceleration of core inflation in the said period came from an increase in the yearon-year rate of change in some food products prices (bread and cereal products) and footwear prices.9 Furthermore, a considerable contribution to core inflation growth during the observed period was made by the price increase of tobacco products,¹⁰ whose share in the core CPI is bigger than that in the overall CPI. In addition, the year-on-year growth rate of services prices, freely formed on the market, accelerated from 2.5% in December 2006 to 4.1% in August 2007, with the result that the contribution of services prices to core inflation also rose. The sharpest growth was in package holidays prices, whose year-on-year rate of change went up from 0.2% in December 2006 to 27.7% in August 2007.

The year-on-year rate of change in agricultural products prices increased from -1.3% in December 2006 to 5.4% in August 2007, due primarily to rising fruit prices whose rate of change went up from -5.4% in December 2006 to 5.5% in August 2007. In addition, owing to an unfavourable base effect,¹¹ vegetable prices increased from -1.3% year-on-year in December 2006 to 6.6% year-on-year in August 2007. The contribution of agricultural products prices to overall consumer price inflation in the observed period rose by 0.4 percentage points (from -0.1 percentage point in December

⁵ The export tax on maize was levied on 23 August because of the price leap caused by drought and the condition on the world commodity exchanges. On the Hamburg Commodity Exchange, for example, the maize price for prompt delivery stood at EUR 230 per tonne and at HRK 1.69 per kilo on 7 August, which is a rise of 55% compared with the same period last year.

⁶ On 13 September, the government enacted the Regulation on imposing an export tax on wheat in order to discourage exports of domestic wheat stocks in the conditions of lowered supply and drought-related price growth and thus stabilise prices.

⁷ The average daily exchange rate of the kuna versus the US dollar was 3.6% stronger in August than in December 2006.

⁸ The kuna/euro exchange rate appreciated by a small 0.6% in nominal terms from December 2006 to August 2007.

⁹ The growth was due to an unfavourable base effect (the drop in footwear prices in the first eight months in 2007 was lower than that in the same period in 2006).

¹⁰ Tobacco prices rose in May and July by an average 2.9% and 2.0% respectively in relation to the previous month, which was the first significant price rise of this product group since August 2004. The monthly growth of retail tobacco prices in May and July resulted solely from the increase in the producer prices of tobacco products, whereas these products' price rise in August 2004 resulted from the increase in excises on tobacco products and their producer price growth.

¹¹ Vegetable prices decreased at a lower rate in the first eight months of 2007 than in the same period in 2006.

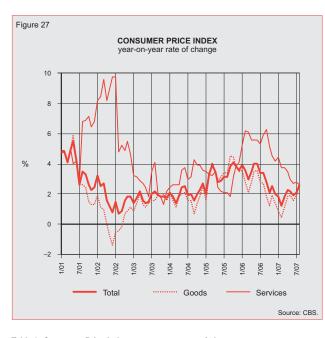
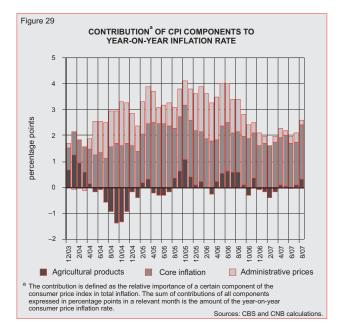


Table 3: Consumer Price Index, year-on-year rate of change

	Weight 2007	12/06	3/07	6/07	7/07	8/07
Total	100.0	2.0	1.8	1.9	2.1	2.6
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	30.5	0.8	0.2	0.8	1.4	3.1
Alcoholic drinks and tobacco	5.5	1.9	1.3	2.7	4.0	4.0
Clothing and footwear	8.5	3.2	5.2	5.5	5.3	5.8
Housing, water, energy, gas and other fuels	14.5	5.4	3.0	1.6	1.3	0.8
Furniture, equipment and maintenance	5.4	2.5	2.0	1.6	1.4	1.8
Health	2.9	1.9	1.9	2.6	2.7	1.3
Transport	11.5	1.1	2.1	3.0	2.0	1.8
Communication	4.4	-0.1	-0.3	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2
Recreation and culture	6.3	0.9	2.5	1.3	1.9	3.1
Education	1.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	1.2	1.3
Catering services	3.6	2.3	2.4	1.6	2.7	2.3
Miscellaneous goods and services	5.9	2.9	3.4	3.6	3.6	3.8
Goods	76.4	1.4	1.1	1.6	1.9	2.6
Services	23.6	4.2	3.7	2.7	2.8	2.6
Source: CBS.						

Figure 28





2006 to 0.3 percentage points in August 2007).

The year-on-year growth rate of administrative prices slowed from 2.0% in December 2006 to 0.7% in August 2007 and their contribution to the overall year-on-year inflation rate decreased by 0.3 percentage points. The slowdown in administrative prices was mainly due to a drop in the yearon-year rate of change of water supply prices, down from 17.0% in December 2006 to 6.1% in August 2007, which was caused by a favourable base effect related to slower growth of these prices in the first eight months in 2007 than in the same period in 2006. The slowdown in administrative prices was also party caused by the fall in heat energy prices. In contrast, domestic prices of refined petroleum products rose in the first eight months in 2007,¹² and their year-on-year rate of change went up from -1.9% in December 2006 to 0.3%in August 2007. This was because of the world market crude oil price growth and ensuing upward pressures on domestic prices. These pressures were alleviated by the appreciation of the kuna/US dollar exchange rate and the government's decision, enacted already in late April, to reduce excises on all types of unleaded petrol in order to keep the price of Euro Super 95 below the ceiling of HRK 8.00.

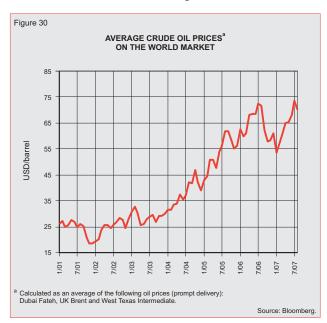
World market crude oil prices grew in the first eight months of 2007, although at a slower pace than in the same period in 2006, with the result that the year-on-year rate of change in crude oil prices dropped from 8.1% in December 2006 to -2.3% in August 2007. The average world market price of crude oil went up 15.0% in that period, i.e. from USD 61.0 per barrel in December 2006 to USD 70.1 per barrel in August.¹³ Due to the nominal appreciation of the kuna/US dollar exchange rate, this growth was 10.9% in kuna terms. The growth of crude oil prices, especially marked in the summer months of this year, was driven both by supply and demand

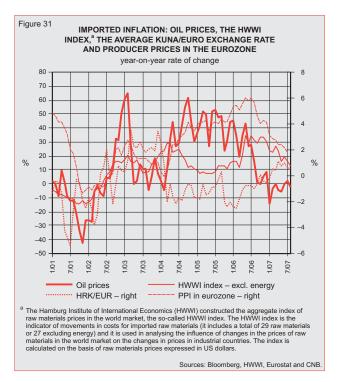
¹² Prices of domestic refined petroleum products grew by an average 6.4% in the first eight months of 2007.

¹³ The increase was sharper in the same period in 2006, with the crude oil price rising by 27.3%, from USD 56.4 per barrel in December 2005 to USD 71.8 per barrel in August 2006. The summer months saw a sharp price increase, which was mainly the fallout from the Middle East crisis.

factors, of which the most significant include a slower than expected increase in crude oil output of non-OPEC countries, short-term disturbances in crude oil supply caused by technical difficulties with the North Sea pipeline and surging demand for crude oil by American oil refineries. In addition, crude oil prices were also kept high owing to political disturbances in Nigeria and tensions between the US and Iran. In June and July, the price of crude oil on the world market rose by an average of 13.0% (from USD 65.2 in May to USD 73.6 in July); with the daily price of Brent crude oil exceeding USD 79.0 per barrel in July. In August, the price of crude oil dropped by an average of 4.7%, to USD 70.1 per barrel. The drop was in response to market concerns that the slumping mortgage market would lead to an economic slowdown in the US and thus reduce demand for goods, especially energy products. Another reason was because the oil refineries in the Mexican Gulf were not too badly damaged during the hurricane season. Following the decrease in August, crude oil prices rebounded in September. According to analysts, this was due to an unanticipated under-utilisation of US refinery capacities, depleted crude oil and petrol reserves and expectations of their further reduction, and also to attacks on oil installations in Mexico. In order to prevent oil prices from rising further, on 11 September 2007 the OPEC countries decided to boost the crude oil output by 500 000 barrels per day as of 1 November. However, as US crude oil reserves decreased further and markets grew concerned about possible adverse weather conditions in the Mexican Gulf, oil prices rose again, with WTI crude reaching USD 81.9 per barrel on 19 September and Brent crude up to USD 78.4 per barrel.

Although subdued in the first eight months of 2007, upward pressures on domestic inflation stemming from the world market increase in raw material prices (except energy products) were still evident. The year-on-year rate of change in the HWWI index of raw material prices (excluding energy products) declined from 30.7% in December 2006 to 12.7% in August 2007. The year-on-year growth rate of non-ferrous metals prices slowed considerably in that period, from 52.6% in December 2006 to 2.8% in August 2007, and so did the

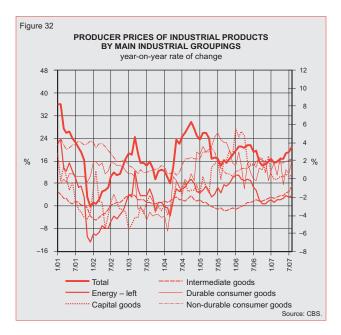




growth rate of iron ore prices, down from 16.4% in December 2006 to 10.4% in August 2007. In contrast, the year-on-year growth rate of food products grew from 22.0% in December 2006 to 26.9% in August 2007. The prices of oilseed and oil jumped from 10.3% year-on-year in December 2006 to 49.9% year-on-year in August 2007. The year-on-year rate of change in cereal prices on the world market slowed down from 50.9% in December 2006 to a still very high 37.2% in August 2007. ECB analysts claim that the sharp increase in food products prices primarily resulted from the high prices of energy and fertilisers, low inventory levels, reduced crops due to adverse weather and surge in demand for food products from most developing countries and from China in particular. Furthermore, high energy prices and an increasing number of countries opting for the production of alternative fuels caused a considerable rise in the prices of agricultural raw materials used in the production of biofuels, primarily ethanol and biodiesel.

The latest available data suggest a sharp slowdown in eurozone producer price inflation. The year-on-year rate of change in eurozone producer prices declined from 4.1% in December 2006 to 1.8% in July 2007, mainly because of a slowdown in the year-on-year growth rate of energy prices. The year-on-year rate of change in producer prices of final goods in the eurozone remained at a relatively low level of 1.7% and 1.8% for durable and non-durable consumer goods respectively in July 2007, so that there are no indications that the rise in the prices of oil and other raw materials spilled over significantly to producer prices of final goods in the eurozone.

Croatia's producer price inflation accelerated in the first eight months of 2007, with its year-on-year rate of change increasing from 1.9% in December 2006 to 3.6% in August 2007. Producer prices increased in all main industrial groupings in the first eight months of this year, except in capital goods. The year-on-year rate of change in intermediate

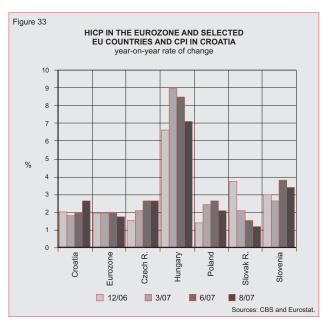


goods increased the most, from 2.6% in December 2006 to 7.2% in August 2007, with the highest rise in prices observed in the manufacture of other non-metallic mineral products and wood. This suggests that the costs arising from the world market price increase in raw materials might spill over on producer prices of intermediate goods in Croatia. The year-on-year rate of change in the prices of durable consumer goods grew from -0.2 in December 2006 to 2.1% in August 2007. It should be mentioned in this context that the Ordinance on the management of waste electronic and electrical devices and equipment came into effect in July this year, requiring importers and manufacturers to pay a fee of HRK 2.5 per one kilo of product, so that manufacturers are likely to transfer these expenses to their products' prices. The year-on-year rate of change in energy prices grew from 1.9% in

Box 2: Impact of the Change in the US Dollar/Euro Exchange Rate on Inflation in Croatia

Trends in the exchange rate of the domestic currency against the currencies used in international trade are believed to significantly impact changes in consumer prices. The exchange rate pass-through to inflation is reflected in the importers embedding the change in the kuna exchange rate versus the payment currency in the selling price of a product on the domestic market. As the euro and US dollar account for a 70% and 20% share respectively in the currency structure of Croatia's imports, special attention should be given to the kuna/euro and kuna/US dollar exchange rates, where the latter can be expressed as the ratio between the bilateral kuna/euro and US dollar/euro exchange rates.

Besides the currency structure of imports, inflation is also affected by which currency the price is originally set in. For example, trends in the kuna/US dollar exchange rate are embedded in the price of petrol no matter which currency the imported oil is paid for. Also important is the exchange rate variability, so that strong exchange rate fluctuations



December 2006 to 3.6% in August 2007 as a result of the growth in producer prices of refined petroleum products and water supply.¹⁴ In addition, the increase in the prices of industrial food products and producer prices of tobacco products contributed the most to the growth of producer prices of non-durable consumer goods, whose year-on-year rate of change went up from 2.0% in December 2006 to 2.3% in August 2007.

In contract with inflation in Croatia, inflation in the eurozone (measured by the HICP) drifted slightly lower in the first eight months of 2006, standing, according to Eurostat data, at 1.7% year-on-year, which is a decrease of 0.2 percentage points compared with December 2006. The year-onyear consumer price inflation rate in the eurozone was 0.9 percentage points lower in August 2007 than the inflation

often necessitate price adjustments. Although Croatia's imports in euro terms more than three times exceed imports in US dollar terms, the kuna/euro exchange rate variability, measured by standard deviation, is about four times lower than the kuna/US dollar exchange rate variability. More precisely, the year-on-year rate of change in the kuna/US dollar exchange rate had a standard deviation of 10.7% in the last ten years, while the deviation for the kuna/euro exchange rate was 2.8%.

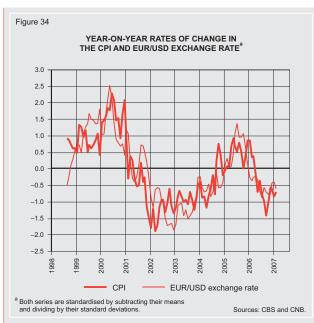
Considering low inflation of tradables in eurozone countries, the stability of the kuna/euro exchange rate and high volatility of the US dollar/euro exchange rate in recent years, it is realistic to expect the change in the kuna/US dollar exchange rate to translate into import prices and, in turn, to consumer prices, i.e. domestic inflation (see Figure 34).

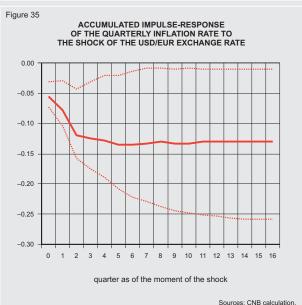
In order to quantify the said impact, an estimate is made of the impulse-response function of the VAR model¹⁵ showing dynamic interaction of the following five variables: the world price index (WPI), US dollar/euro exchange rate

¹⁴ The rise in water supply prices in the first eight months of 2007 was

completely due to their sharp monthly increase in January this year.

¹⁵ VAR stands for vector autoregression.





Sources: CNB calculation

(USD/EUR), domestic output gap, producer price index (PPI) and consumer price index (CPI).¹⁶ All the variables are shown as quarterly rates of change, except the domestic output gap, which is shown as a percentage deviation from trend. The standard model is adjusted so that the external variables' shocks (WPI, USD/EUR) have an impact on the domestic variables (domestic output gap, PPI, CPI), but not vice versa (i.e. the domestic variables cannot make an impact on the change in world raw materials prices or the US dollar/euro exchange rate). In our opinion, such a model is suitable for analysing the impact of external (exogenous) shocks on a small open economy like Croatia's.

Table 4 shows the estimated accumulated impact of the impulse-response of the US dollar/euro exchange rate on domestic inflation. In the first quarter, following the exchange rate shock (weakening of the dollar against the euro) of 100 percentage points, inflation reduces by 8 percentage points. The impact of the shock would be felt throughout four quarters (the absorption period), in which period inflation would reduce by a total of 13 percentage points (Figure 35). In other words, a one percentage point decrease in inflation in the described model results from a 7.7 percentage point appreciation of the US dollar/euro exchange rate. Except directly, the external shocks are also transmitted indirectly (through producer prices), but with a time gap.

The results of the estimate based on the decomposition of the variance show that the external variables' shocks generate a great deal of variability in all the three domestic variables observed (PPI, CPI, domestic output gap). An especially interesting finding concerns the strong impact of shocks on domestic consumer price inflation, with as much as 65% of its variability caused by external shocks (33% by US dollar/euro exchange rate shocks and 32% by raw material prices shocks).

In order to achieve a deeper insight into the US dollar/ euro exchange rate pass-through to prices, we have calculated the correlations between the year-on-year rates of change in the US dollar/euro exchange rate and the subgroups of good and services included in the CPI. The results of this microanalysis are in line with the results of the VAR model - most of the product subgroups included in the CPI basket are negatively correlated with the US dollar/euro exchange rate. In other words, the depreciation of the US dollar reduces their prices. As anticipated, this primarily refers to the products and services whose price depends on the price of oil, paid mostly in US dollars, and to road and air transport services, fuels and lubricants for personal vehicles, etc. Furthermore, a strong correlation with the US dollar exchange rate has been observed with the products that are largely produced in Asia and whose prices are mostly set in US dollars, e.g. household appliances, watches, toys, footwear, etc.

Table 4: Accumulated Impulse-Response of the Quarterly Change in the CPI to the Shocks of External (WPI, USD/EUR) and Domestic (domestic output gap, PPI, CPI) Variables

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	Horizon	WPI	USD/EUR	Domestic output gap	PPI	CPI
	t + 1	0.01	-0.08	0.01	0.00	0.53
	t + 4	0.07	-0.13	0.19	0.09	0.65
	t + 8	0.08	-0.13	0.20	0 11	0.65

Note: Horizon is expressed in quarters.

Source: CNB calculation.

Tabl	e 5: De	composi	ition of the Va	ariance of the P	PI, CPI and Dom	estic Out	put Gap
				WPI + USD/	Domestic		

Horizon	WPI	USD/EUR	EUR	output gap	PPI	CPI
t + 1	0.21	0.17	0.38	0.01	0.61	0.00
t + 8	0.41	0.19	0.60	0.03	0.35	0.01
t + 1	0.24	0.42	0.66	0.00	0.01	0.32
t + 8	0.32	0.33	0.65	0.06	0.13	0.15
t + 1	0.02	0.27	0.29	0.71	0.00	0.00
t + 8	0.10	0.44	0.54	0.40	0.06	0.00

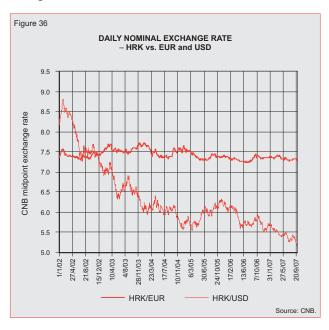
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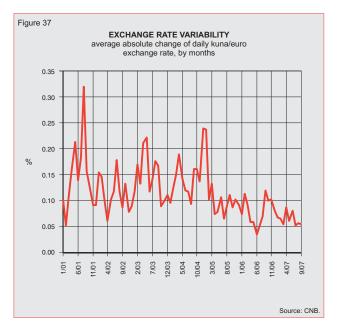
¹⁶ Also analysed were the specifications of the kuna/euro exchange rate and the Index of the Nominal Effective Exchange Rate (INEER). The kuna/euro exchange rate had no significant impact on the prices in the statistical model, which leads to the assumption that its fluctuations in the observed period (1998-2007) were too weak to be embedded in prices. The nominal effective exchange rate exerts a strong impact on prices, but this impact almost entirely derives from the kuna/US dollar exchange rate, that is, indirectly from the US dollar/euro exchange rate.

rate in Croatia (2.6%). This is primarily because of the increasing difference between the contribution of food prices to the overall year-on-year inflation rate in Croatia and the contribution to inflation coming from food prices in the eurozone. Specifically, while the drop in the year-on-year rate of change in food prices in the eurozone in the first eight months this year contributed to the slowdown in the overall year-on-year inflation rate, rising food prices in Croatia considerably increased their contribution to overall domestic inflation. In addition, the share of the prices of food and non-alcoholic beverages in the CPI basket is much higher in Croatia (30.5%) than in the eurozone (15.6%). Also, the latest data indicate that food prices in the eurozone remained unaffected by the food products price increase on the world market. ECB analysts ascribe this to several factors including a relatively small share of agricultural products in eurozone imports, provisions related to the EU common agricultural policy which to some extent shelter the eurozone agricultural products market from external influences, and the appreciation of the euro/US dollar exchange rate. However, apparently there are indications that agricultural products prices could grow in August this year, primarily due to the price increase of dairy and cereal products in some eurozone members.

Exchange Rate

The kuna/euro exchange rate appreciated by 1.1% in the second quarter 2007, rising from HRK 7.38/EUR on 31 March to HRK 7.30/EUR on 30 June 2007. The appreciation of the kuna/euro exchange rate, slightly more pronounced in the first two months of the second quarter, was due to a rise in demand for the kuna during Easter holidays and to increased foreign exchange supply resulting from the start of the tourist season and decisions of some foreign parent banks to recapitalise subsidiary banks in Croatia. The kuna/ euro exchange rate was also subject to appreciation pressures arising from an increase in demand for the kuna due to con-





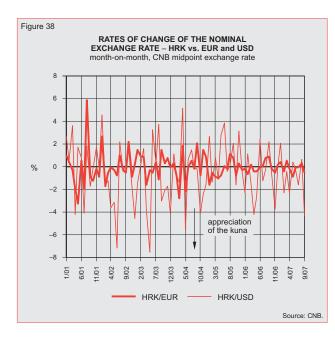
tinued kuna lending by banks and to investors' preparations for the purchase of the second tranche of a ten-year kuna government bond, issued in July 2007. In the second quarter, like in the first quarter, there was no need for central bank foreign exchange interventions and banks met their needs for kuna liquidity at regular reverse repo auctions. Also in the second quarter, the central bank sold a net of EUR 34.8m of foreign exchange to the MoF,¹⁷ withdrawing from circulation HRK 0.3bn.

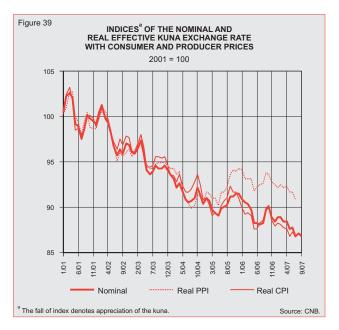
In the third quarter 2007, the nominal kuna/euro exchange rate ranged between HRK 7.28/EUR and HRK 7.33/ EUR, i.e. within a relatively narrow band of between -0.4% and 0.3% relative to the average daily exchange rate (HRK 7.31/EUR). The kuna exchange rate appreciated slightly by 0.3% in the third quarter, with the euro dropping from HRK 7.30 on 30 June to HRK 7.28 on 30 September. As regards monthly exchange rate trends, the kuna/euro exchange rate strengthened over July and September and depreciated in August.

In July, the kuna exchange rate was under appreciation pressures, primarily resulting from a rise in foreign exchange inflows at the peak of the tourist season. Strong foreign exchange inflows were also generated by continued foreign borrowing by enterprises, especially by the Zagrebački holding eurobond issue worth EUR 300m. In an effort to alleviate the appreciation pressures, the central bank in July conducted the first foreign exchange intervention in 2007, purchasing from banks a total of EUR 139.0m at two auctions and creating HRK 1.0bn in kuna liquidity (EUR 71.2m was purchased on 12 July and EUR 67.8m on 17 July). The kuna/euro exchange rate stood at HRK 7.30/EUR at end-July, rising only by 0.1% compared with end-June.

Due to the increasing foreign exchange demand, the kuna/ euro exchange rate dropped by 0.3% in August, standing at HRK 7.32/EUR on 31 August. Moderate depreciation pressures were also observed in the first half of September, when

¹⁷ Part of this amount was used to repay the World Bank loans granted to the Republic of Croatia, and part was used to settle the liabilities due to the EUROFIMA.





continually strong enterprise demand for foreign exchange pushed the euro to HRK 7.33. The kuna exchange rate then strengthened, reaching HRK 7.28/EUR on 30 September, which is a 0.5% appreciation compared with end-August. The appreciation was in the second half of September due, among other things, to increased demand for the kuna intended for the purchase of T-HT shares and to investors preparing for the purchase of a new kuna government bond totalling HRK 3.0bn. Against the background of a stable kuna/euro exchange rate, central bank foreign exchange interventions were again not required in September. Through foreign exchange transactions carried out in September, the CNB sold EUR 3.3m worth of foreign exchange to the MoF for the purpose of interest payments under the World Bank PAL.

The kuna exchange rate stability was further confirmed by a relatively low variability of the kuna/euro exchange rate. The average absolute change in the daily exchange rate of the kuna against the euro, a measure of the exchange rate volatility, reduced from 0.08% in the second quarter to 0.06% in the third quarter 2007.

Having weakened by 1.1% in the second quarter, the US dollar/euro exchange rate, under intense depreciation pressures for the most part of the third quarter, weakened by 5.2% in that quarter, falling from USD 1.35/EUR at end-October to USD 1.42/EUR at end-October. The depreciation in July was followed by a slight appreciation in August and resumed again in September. The downward pressures on the US dollar/euro exchange rate in the world's foreign exchange market in July stemmed from expectations that the interest rate in the eurozone would increase further and from market concern over the conditions in the mortgage loan market. In August, the US dollar slightly strengthened against the euro, regaining some of the value lost in the previous month. In September, however, the US dollar depreciated against the euro due to adverse economic indicators in the US (e.g. an unanticipated decline in employment, lowered consumer confidence and slumping housing sales) and investor expectations that the Fed would decrease the benchmark interest rate. These expectations turned out to be right as the Fed on 18 September reduced the benchmark rate by 0.5 percentage points (from 5.25% to 4.75%). The ECB rate remained unchanged at 4.0% in the same period. In line with kuna/euro and US dollar/euro exchange rate trends, the kuna exchange rate appreciated by 5.3% against the US dollar in the third quarter, rising from HRK 5.42/USD on 30 June to HRK 5.14/USD on 30 September.

In addition to appreciating by 0.3% against the euro and by 5.3% against the US dollar, the kuna exchange rate appreciated by 4.1% against the pound of sterling and by 0.4% against the Swiss franc in the third quarter. As a result, the index of the daily nominal effective exchange rate of the kuna appreciated by 1.7% from 30 June to 30 September.

According to the latest available data on the index of the real effective exchange rate of the kuna, the export price competitiveness slightly worsened. The index of the real effective exchange rate of the kuna deflated by consumer prices appreciated by 1.3% from July to December 2007, which was due to a 1.8% appreciation of the average monthly index of the nominal effective kuna exchange rate, but also to slower growth of domestic than foreign consumer prices (in the US, eurozone and Great Britain). In the same period, the index of the real effective exchange rate of the kuna deflated by producer prices appreciated by 1.8%, with a relatively faster growth of producer prices in the US compared with Croatian prices offset by a slower growth of producer prices in the eurozone, Switzerland and Great Britain.

Monetary Policy and Instruments

Monetary Environment

In the third quarter of 2007, the monetary environment was strongly influenced by seasonal developments that, together with effective monetary policy measures, led to a decline in external debt of banks and slower growth in bank placements to the non-banking sector. The impact of the tourist season on this year's monetary developments has been more pronounced than in the previous years, as evidenced by swelling bank deposits. This enabled banks to considerably reduce their foreign liabilities. In addition, the central bank tightened up the provisions of the Decision on the purchase of compulsory CNB bills in June 2007 since the rise in bank placements in the first half of the year exceeded the projections.¹⁸ Following these changes, which set a 0.5% restriction on placement growth per month that does not entail the purchase of compulsory CNB bills, placements grew by only 0.4% in the July-August period.

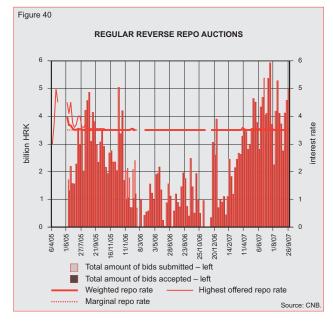
Notwithstanding strong seasonal demand for the kuna and large foreign exchange inflows that characterise the summer months, appreciation pressures on the exchange rate were less pronounced in the third quarter of 2007 than in the last year. The lowest level of the CNB's midpoint exchange rate was HRK 7.28/EUR in July 2007, while it was HRK 7.24/ EUR in July 2006. Hence, the central bank created reserve money mostly by regular reverse repo auctions, purchasing foreign exchange from banks only twice in July. The liquidity of banks was relatively high, particularly in July.

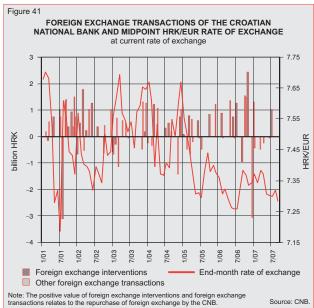
Uses of Instruments of Monetary Policy

As in the first half of the year, regular weekly reverse repo auctions of T-bills were the main instrument of reserve money creation in the third quarter of 2007. Reverse repo placements averaged HRK 4.2bn in the third quarter, HRK 1.6bn more than in the first half of the year, and four times more than in the same period last year. The largest turnover, of HRK 5.9bn, was made at the auction held on 18 July. If we add a fine tuning operation in the amount of HRK 1.2bn, which was being renewed throughout the third quarter and by which the central bank at end-June created the liquidity needed to finance the repayment of a pensioners' debt tranche, the total funds placed at reverse repo auctions surpassed HRK 7.0bn. As MoF T-bills are the only collateral used in reverse repo transactions, the turnovers realised were extremely high relative to the amount of collateral available to banks at the time. Lombard loans were used on several occasions: at the beginning of the new reserve requirement maintenance period in July and at end-September.

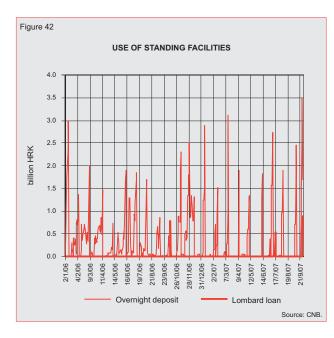
Intense demand for reserve money and strong creation of kuna liquidity at the outset of the main tourist season in mid-July were spurred by the rise in currency outside banks, coupled with the issue of kuna government bonds and the foreign currency supply arising from corporate foreign borrowing. To these factors, one should add the rise in the calculated kuna reserve requirement, which also boosted banks' demand for kuna. In such conditions, banks were prone to hold much larger amounts of free reserves than usual. Interest rates on the money market went up and were quite volatile. To neutralise the imbalances present, the central bank accepted all the bids received at reverse repo auctions. Some banks offered even higher repo rates (up to 3.61%) to ensure the funds needed, but the CNB kept the marginal repo rate at 3.5%.

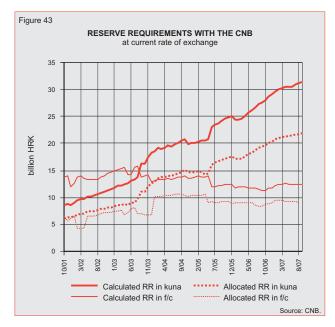
In addition to open market operations, the CNB alleviated appreciation pressures by intervening in the foreign exchange market on 12 and 17 July when it purchased a total of EUR 139.0m from banks, thus creating HRK 1.0bn of additional liquidity. Owing to these interventions and record high turnovers at reverse repo auctions, banks' average surplus liquidity increased up to HRK 2.0bn at end-July. With the tourist





¹⁸ Amendments to the Decision on the purchase of compulsory CNB bills are described in more detail in Box 3.





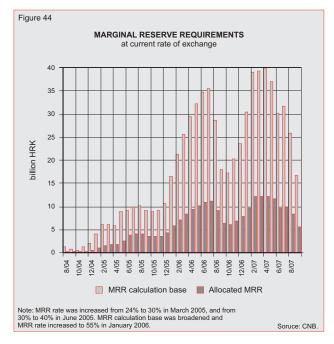
season coming to an end, banks' demand for kuna dwindled in the rest of the third quarter and the amount of free reserves gradually decreased. Notwithstanding intense demand for kuna during the subscription of T-HT shares, banks did not hold excess liquidity at end-September as they did in July and the amount of free reserves fell to some HRK 0.7bn.

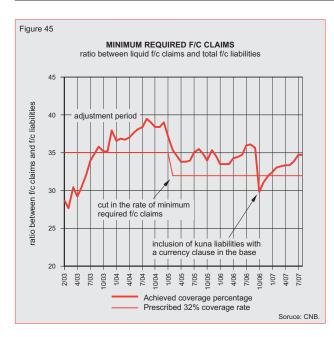
Within standing facilities, banks deposited their surplus liquidity into overnight deposits with the CNB near the end of the reserve requirement maintenance period in the third quarter. Banks only temporarily used this facility – at the beginning of the new reserve requirement maintenance period they returned the deposited funds to their transaction accounts with the CNB. Overnight deposits with the CNB went up to HRK 3.5bn and their average daily balance was HRK 430m in the third quarter, up HRK 169m over the same period last year. An upsurge in overnight deposits was recorded at end-September due to a temporary deposit of the agent bank in the public offering of T-HT shares.

The calculated kuna reserve requirement grew by HRK 0.8bn in the third quarter of 2007 owing to a seasonal increase in domestic funding sources. It reached HRK 31.3bn at the time of the September calculation, growing annually by 13.3%. In contrast, the foreign currency reserve requirement levelled off despite the strong increase in foreign currency deposits. As banks mostly used expanded domestic funding sources to decrease their foreign liabilities, the rise in the foreign currency calculation base was neutralised by the downturn in banks' external foreign currency liabilities and the calculated foreign currency reserve requirement grew only slightly (by HRK 0.2bn). It stood at HRK 12.5bn in September and its annual growth rate was 11.1%.

Owing to a significant fall in external debt of banks, funds allocated on the basis of the marginal reserve requirement contracted considerably in the third quarter. The calculated marginal reserve requirement dropped by as much as HRK 13.3bn, leading to a fall in the allocated marginal reserve requirement of HRK 4.1bn. This was partly due to seasonal movements, but banks decreased their external liabilities this year much more than in the previous years thanks to the overall impact of monetary policy instruments. This was additionally supported by the interest rate hike in the eurozone that raised the price of banks' external financing. The allocated marginal reserves stood at HRK 5.5bn at end-September, hitting their lowest level since January 2006.

The minimum foreign currency liquidity of banks grew in the first two months of the third quarter when the coverage of foreign currency liabilities by foreign currency claims rose by 1 percentage point, to 34.8% at end-August. Banks' foreign currency claims grew by HRK 2.0bn, to HRK 56.7bn, while their foreign currency liabilities grew by HRK 1.1bn, to HRK 163.0bn at end-August. Slower increase in foreign currency liabilities was contributed to by the steady downward trend in banks' liabilities with a currency clause, which are included in banks' foreign currency liabilities as of October 2006. In the first eight months of 2007, banks' liabilities with a currency clause halved, standing at HRK 13.7bn at end-August. Improved foreign currency liquidity was also spurred

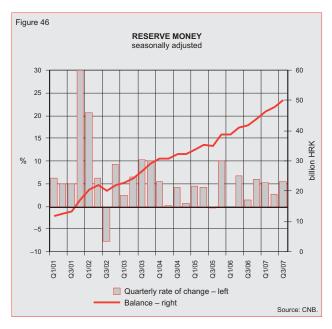




by the amendments to the Decision on the minimum required amount of foreign currency claims, under which the central bank increased the coverage of banks' foreign currency claims in the July-October period to include the short-term foreign currency loan of EUR 244.5m in order to prevent the distortion of banks' foreign currency liquidity.

Reserve Money and International Reserves

Reserve money (M0) was on its usual upward trend in the third quarter, primarily on account of the seasonal rise in currency in circulation. At the end of the second and over the third quarter, strong reserve money growth was also fuelled by other factors, among which, in addition to seasonal movements, the most important were the banks' increased tendency to hold high liquidity surpluses and the July upturn in reserve requirements. Unusually strong demand for currency continued into September due to the subscription of T-HT shares. Growing by HRK 2.5bn in the third quarter, reserve



money amounted to HRK 50.9bn at end-September and its annual growth rate was 13.4%.

The rise in currency in circulation over the summer months was in line with its usual seasonal movements. Currency exceeded HRK 17bn in July and August and started its seasonal falling trend at end-August. Still, the September subscription of T-HT shares led to a renewed currency increase, which is uncommon for the end of the third quarter, as households withdrew assets from banks and funds to convert them into this most liquid monetary aggregate. In mid-September, currency again surpassed HRK 17bn, falling to HRK 15.5bn at the end of the month, up 8.1% over end-September 2006.

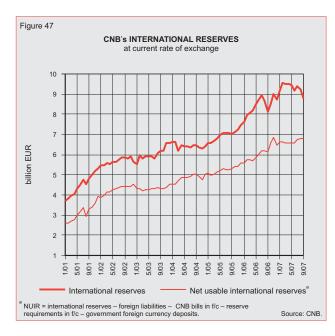
Parallel to the high level of currency, banks maintained a high level of funds in settlement accounts. In addition to the strong inclination to hold large free reserves, banks' funds in settlement accounts in July were also influenced by the rise in the kuna reserve requirement, which had to be increased by another HRK 350.8m in the July allocation. Still, balances in settlement accounts were somewhat lower in August and September than in July. At end-September, banks' funds in settlement accounts stood at HRK 8.1bn, being 4.1% higher than the year before.

An important source of increasing bank deposits with the CNB was the allocated kuna reserve requirement, which grew by HRK 1.5bn in the first nine months of 2007, to HRK 22.0bn at end-September. The rise in the kuna reserve requirement was particularly pronounced over the summer months due to the already stated huge expansion of household and corporate deposits.

Bank deposits with the CNB also include compulsory CNB bills purchased by the banks that exceed the "non-taxable" placement growth. After the 9 July repurchase of HRK 167.4m of CNB bills that were purchased under the former Decision, the first purchase under the new Decision on the purchase of compulsory CNB bills, which was adopted in June 2007, was made in August. On the basis of the calculated placement growth in July, banks purchased HRK 144.0m worth of CNB bills on 20 August, and they purchased additional HRK 114.0m in September on the basis of the calculated placement growth in August.

In the first three quarters of 2007, government deposits were characterised by somewhat lower balances and subdued volatility compared with the same period of 2006, which suggests better liquidity management on the part of the government. The average balance of government deposits was HRK 355m and HRK 294m in 2006 and the first three quarters of 2007 respectively.

Net international reserves grew at a somewhat slower pace in the first nine months of 2007 compared with the same period last year, mostly due to a smaller number and amount of CNB interventions in the foreign exchange market. In contrast to 2006, when the central bank intervened eight times in the foreign exchange market by purchasing EUR 0.9bn net from banks in the period up to end-September, the CNB relied mostly on reverse repo operations as the instrument of liquidity creation in the first three quarters of 2007. Only two foreign exchange interventions occurred in 2007 (excluding the end-2006 intervention whose monetary effect was recorded in January 2007), both in July, amounting to



a total of EUR 139m. In addition, EUR 159m net was sold to the Ministry of Finance in the January-September period of 2007, compared with only EUR 21m net sold to the MoF in the same period of 2006. At end-September 2007, net international reserves stood at EUR 6.8bn, up 10.9% over September 2006.

Gross international reserves recorded a fall of EUR 375m

Box 3: New Decision on the Purchase of Compulsory CNB Bills

In June 2007, the Croatian National Bank tightened up the Decision on the purchase of compulsory CNB bills by introducing a 0.5% restriction on placement growth per month that does not entail the purchase of CNB bills. The former Decision, which restricted placement growth to 12% a year, was repealed by the adoption of the new Decision. As the banks realised 2/3 of the total annual growth that is not subject to the compulsory CNB bill purchase already in the first half of 2007 (placements increased by 8.9% in the first six months of 2007), the amendments to the Decision were in line with the previous central bank efforts to attain projected monetary policy objectives and thus help reduce external imbalances threatening Croatia.

The Decision on the purchase of compulsory CNB bills that had been in force since end-2006 was repealed on the date of entry into force of the new Decision (9 July 2007). Compulsory CNB bills purchased by the banks whose placement growth exceeded the "non-taxable" placement growth limit under the former decision were repurchased on the same day. The new starting base for the calculation of the compulsory CNB bill purchase is the amount of placements as at 30 June 2007 and the base for calculating the amount of compulsory CNB bills to be purchased is placement growth exceeding the permissible growth rate in the respective calculation period. The permissible growth rate of placements for the first calculation period was set at 0.5% and is increased in each subsequent calculation by 0.5 percentage points, which in the third quarter of 2007 due to the contraction of the allocated marginal reserve requirement. At end-September, gross international reserves stood at EUR 8.8bn, up 8.1% over September 2006.

Monetary Developments

In the first eight months of 2007, bank placements to the non-banking sector grew at a somewhat slower pace, external debt of banks reduced while all monetary aggregates continued to grow sharply. In the first half of the year, placement growth was strong, though somewhat slacker than last year. Hence, the central bank further tightened up the Decision on the purchase of compulsory CNB bills in June. The rise in bank placements to the private sector considerably decelerated in July and August. Coupled with the strong increase in domestic funding sources, this deceleration enabled banks to much improve their external position in the first eight months of 2007.

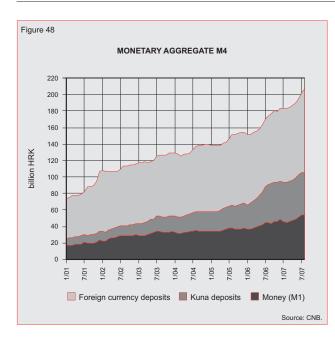
Total Liquid Assets

Total liquid assets (M4) continued to trend up at a brisk pace in the second quarter and the first two months of the third quarter. Both components of the monetary aggregate M4, money and quasi-money, expanded strongly. Within the structure of quasi-money, particularly pronounced was the increase in foreign currency deposits. Growing by HRK

means that the permissible cumulative placement growth in the second half of 2007 amounts to 3.0%. The rate of purchase of compulsory CNB bills stayed at 50% of placement growth exceeding the permissible limit and the interest paid by the CNB is equal to the interest paid on the allocated kuna reserve requirement (0.75%). The maturity term of compulsory CNB bills is 360 days.

The coverage of placements included in the calculation base was also changed prior to adopting the new Decision. Under the former Decision, annual placement growth referred to the sum of on- and off-balance sheet items. Some banks used this to create additional room for placement growth by decreasing their off-balance sheet items, in particular loans based on current account overdrafts. Hence, as of early June 2007, on- and off-balance sheet items have been monitored separately: one base comprises placement growth and the other includes the rise in guarantees, letters of credit, bills of exchange and other off-balance sheet assets. This separation of bases provides for better monitoring of placement growth based on the increase in on- and offbalance sheet assets, which should in the final run contribute to the attainment of set monetary policy objectives.

Despite a 12% limit, it should be noted that a high starting level of placements also implies a relatively high absolute increase that does not entail the purchase of CNB bills. The permissible 2007 placement growth amounts to around HRK 22bn and is, apart from the record year of 2006, one of the largest annual placement growths. It also provides a more than sufficient base for continued dynamic economic growth that is sustainable in the long run.

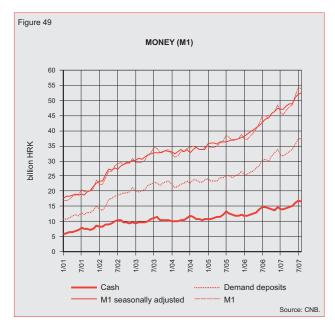


24.9bn in the first eight months, total liquid assets stood at HRK 207.4bn at end-August 2007 and their annual growth rate was a high 19.0%, up 3.8 percentage points over end-August last year.

Money

After a seasonal fall in the first quarter, money (M1) expanded strongly in the second quarter and the first two months of the third quarter. In the January-August period of 2007, M1 rose by a total of HRK 5.2bn or 10.7%. It peaked over the summer months when demand for transaction money and currency usually strengthens. At end-August 2007, M1 stood at HRK 53.7bn and its annual growth rate was 19.4%.

Observing the structure of money, the main impetus to its growth in the second quarter and the first two months of the third quarter came from demand deposits, which grew by HRK 4.9bn or 15.0% compared with end-March. Demand deposits amounted to HRK 37.2bn at end-August 2007,



while their annual growth rate fell by 4.6 percentage points relative to end-2006, to 22.6%.

As usual, the increase in balances in current and giro accounts was almost entirely related to the two largest sectors – households and enterprises. Household demand deposits swelled by HRK 2.4bn in the second quarter and the first two months of the third quarter, to HRK 17.2bn at end-August, and their annual growth rate was 26.3%. Corporate demand deposits went up by HRK 1.0bn in the second quarter and by additional HRK 1.0bn in the first two months of the third quarter, amounting to HRK 16.6bn at end-August, up 20.8% over end-August last year. Compared with the same period last year, corporate demand deposits rose somewhat more in the second quarter and the first two months of the third quarter 2007, which may be partly attributed to inflows based on larger external borrowing by this sector.

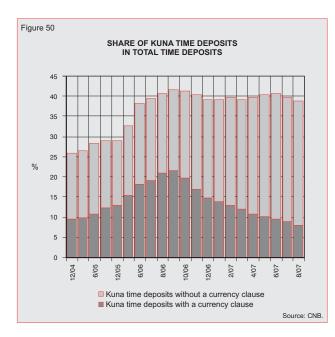
The other component of money, currency outside banks, recorded usual seasonal trends. Having decreased in the first quarter, it started to grow early in the second quarter and stayed on the upward trend till mid-August, the time when the peak tourist season ends and the withdrawal of currency from circulation begins. Currency outside banks stood at HRK 16.5bn and its annual growth rate was 12.9% at end-August 2007.

Non-Monetary Deposits

Savings and time deposits in domestic and foreign currency increased by a record high HRK 19.9bn (15.0%) in the first eight months of 2007. In addition to the boost provided by growing economic activity, this upsurge in savings held with banks was further fuelled by favourable saving terms and marketing activities of the banks themselves, which stimulate domestic savings due to steep prices of foreign funding sources (marginal reserve requirements). As much as HRK 11.1bn of the stated increase occurred in July and August.

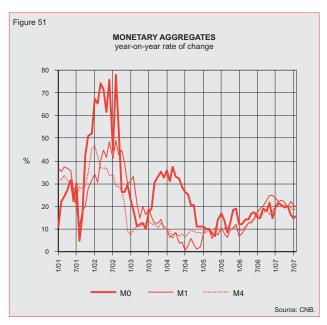
Kuna non-monetary deposits grew by HRK 5.0bn in the first half of the year and by another HRK 1.5bn in the first two months of the third quarter. In contrast with 2006 when kuna time deposits with a currency clause grew strongly, this year's increase in kuna deposits was almost solely due to the rise in "pure" kuna deposits. After the inclusion of kuna liabilities with a currency clause in the base for the calculation of minimum required foreign currency claims in October 2006, "pure" kuna deposits have become the most favourable funding source for banks. Thus, the share of kuna deposits indexed to foreign currency in total time deposits continued to fall, standing at 8.7% at end-August 2007, or as much as 14.1 percentage points less than at end-August 2006. The pace of the year-on-year increase in kuna non-monetary deposits has been falling since early 2007, partly due to the base period effect. Total kuna non-monetary deposits stood at HRK 51.3bn at end-August 2007 and their annual growth rate was 16.3%.

Observed by sector, the largest boost to the rise in total kuna deposits has been provided by corporate kuna deposits, which increased by HRK 3.9bn or 26.4% since early 2007. At end-August 2007, corporate kuna deposits stood at HRK 18.7bn and their annual growth rate continued to slow down, to 27.9% at the end of August, which is almost half less than



at end-August last year. Other banking and non-banking financial institutions also recorded strong growth in kuna deposits (totalling HRK 3.1bn since the beginning of 2007). This reflects good liquidity of the funds, which temporarily place surplus assets into their accounts with banks. On the other hand, since the amendments to the Decision on the minimum required amount of foreign currency claims banks no longer encourage kuna savings with a currency clause, so that households again turn to foreign currency savings. A slight falling trend in household kuna deposits, which began last September, has continued into 2007. At end-August 2007, total kuna non-monetary deposits of the household sector stood at HRK 22.3bn, down 4.6% over end-August 2006.

In the first eight months of 2007, foreign currency deposits recorded the sharpest increase among all monetary aggregates, of as much as HRK 13.5bn or 15.3%. They grew the most in July and August (by HRK 3.9bn and HRK 5.8bn respectively) owing to seasonal foreign currency inflows



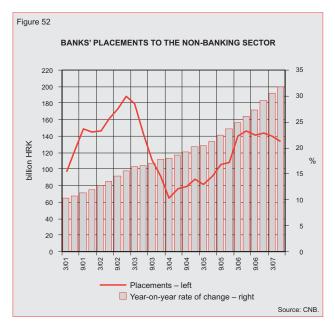
from tourism, which were this year larger than usual. At end-August 2007, total foreign currency deposits exceeded HRK 101.7bn and their annual growth rate, partly due to the base period effect, rose sharply – to 21.6%.

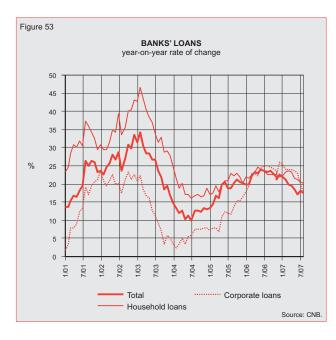
Foreign currency deposits of all domestic sectors have been rising since early 2007. Growing by HRK 6.9bn, foreign currency deposits of the most important sector, i.e. households, amounted to HRK 81.7bn at end-August 2007 and their annual growth rate was 14.6%. The rest of the increase in foreign currency deposits was accounted for by corporate deposits (HRK 4.0bn), which stood at HRK 15.6bn at end-August, as much as 44.1% up over the end of August 2006. At the same time, foreign currency deposits of other banking and non-banking financial institutions went up by HRK 2.6bn.

Placements

The first eight months of 2007 were marked by slacker growth in bank placements to the non-banking sector following the introduction of the Decision on the purchase of compulsory CNB bills late in 2006. Placement growth was even slower in July and August following the tightening of the said Decision and introduction of a 0.5% monthly limit on placement growth that does not entail the purchase of compulsory CNB bills (for more details on amendments to the measure on the purchase of compulsory CNB bills, see Box 3). Bank placements to the non-banking sector rose by 9.3% (10.3% excluding the exchange rate effect) in the first eight months of 2007, while they increased by 13.2% (14.5% excluding the exchange rate effect) in the same period last year. Such developments reflected on their annual growth rate, which stood at 18.7% at end-August 2007, down 4.2 percentage points over end-2006. Growing by HRK 17.0bn in absolute terms in 2007, bank placements to the non-banking sector reached HRK 200.4bn at end-August.

Banks strove to somewhat subdue the impact of the stricter Decision on the purchase of compulsory CNB bills by decreasing their placements to the corporate sector. In July and August alone, corporate placements fell by HRK 2.2bn or





2.5% and their growth rate was 6.4% in the first eight months of 2007, which is almost twice lower than in the same period last year. At the same time, corporate borrowing abroad increased, which may be related to the fact that banks encourage some of their clients to raise funds abroad so as to avoid excessive domestic placement growth. At end-August, bank placements to the corporate sector stood at HRK 88.7bn and their annual growth rate went down from 24.4% at end-2006 to 17.0%.

In contrast, the slowdown in household loan growth was less pronounced. The rise in household loans was 12.5% in the first eight months of 2007, down 1.5 percentage points compared with the same period last year. Growing by HRK 4.9bn and HRK 4.0bn in the first and second quarters respectively, and by another HRK 3.1bn in the first two months of the third quarter, total household loans amounted to HRK 107.7bn and their annual growth rate dropped by 1.6 percentage points, to 20.2% at end-August.

Within the structure of household loans, housing loans still grow fastest, although their growth pace declined somewhat relative to last year. Their annual growth rate went down from 35.5% in August 2006 to 27.1% at end-August 2007. Growing by HRK 5.9bn in absolute terms since the beginning of 2007, housing loans reached HRK 42.9bn, accounting for 39.8% of total household loans. Other all-purpose loans, which account for the largest share in total household loans (44.1%), have continued to grow at their 2006 pace. They stood at HRK 47.5bn and their annual growth rate was 19.0% at end-August 2007.

Bank Placements to the Central Government

Bank placements to the central government recorded a major upturn early in the third quarter of 2007. Growing by HRK 1.2bn in the first half of the year, bank placements to the government rose by another HRK 2.9bn in July and August, primarily due to the short-term foreign currency loan of EUR 244.5m, which a group of domestic banks granted to the government for the repayment of due foreign liabilities. The rest of the 2007 increase related to banks' claims based

on subscribed MoF T-bills (a total increase of HRK 1.1bn) and claims based on subscribed bonds (an increase of HRK 0.7bn). Total bank placements to the central government stood at HRK 32.1bn at end-August 2007, up 2.8% over the same month last year.

Following a downturn of HRK 0.3bn in the first quarter of 2007, central government deposits rose by HRK 2.4bn in the second quarter and dropped by HRK 0.4bn in the first two months of the third quarter. With the described developments in placements and deposits, banks' net claims on the central government went up by HRK 2.4bn in 2007, to HRK 19.4bn at end-August. Still, compared with the same month last year, net bank placements to the central government dipped by 8.0%, which is due to the effect of a high base period value.

Foreign Assets and Liabilities

A large inflow of domestic deposits over the summer months and significant recapitalisation amounts recorded in July and August (HRK 2.6bn) allowed the banks to reduce their foreign liabilities much more than expected this year. Foreign liabilities of banks decreased by HRK 4.5bn in the second quarter and by another HRK 10.3bn in the first two months of the third quarter, with the total reduction amounting to as much as HRK 13.9bn in 2007. At end-August 2007, banks' foreign liabilities stood at HRK 62.2bn, down 6.6% over end-August 2006.

Notwithstanding a substantial increase in August (of HRK 2.5bn), banks' foreign assets also recorded a downturn in the first eight months of 2007 compared with end-2006 (of HRK 0.8bn or 2.0%). The fall in foreign liabilities, specifically the decrease in foreign currency liabilities, enabled the banks to attain the minimum required foreign currency liquidity despite the decrease in their foreign assets. At end-August 2007, banks' foreign assets stood at HRK 38.8bn and their annual growth rate was a high 35.4%, which is mostly due to the effect of a low base period value.

Recorded developments in banks' foreign assets and liabilities improved the total external position of banks by HRK

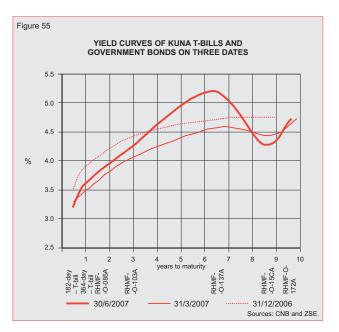


13.1bn relative to the end of 2006. At end-August 2007, net foreign assets (NFA) of banks stood at HRK -23.4bn, which is as much as 38.3% less than at end-August 2006.

Money Market

Following a long period of maintaining relatively low and stable levels, money market interest rates went up at the end of the second quarter and in the third quarter of 2007. The weighted interest rates on one-year T-bills rose from 3.5% in the second quarter to 4.5% in July and August. Interest rates on overnight loans in direct interbank trading gradually grew from some 2% to 4%, while late in the second quarter we witnessed an unusual rise in their level and fluctuation. Since liquidity of the banking sector remained good, according to the available data, such movements may partly be explained by the uncharacteristic imbalance between supply and demand in the money market, where a small group of banks accounts for the substantial share of the kuna demand, while market participants with excess funds are not willing to place them at current prices. Continued strong kuna lending, preparations for the subscription of the second tranche of the ten-year government bond in July 2007, worth HRK 3.0bn, paired with preparations for the payment of the third tranche of government debt to pensioners and high level of currency outside banks due to the start of the peak tourist season contributed to higher-than-usual liquidity stocks. The central bank contributed to good aggregate liquidity of the banking sector by conducting thirteen reverse repo auctions, with average placements per auction totalling HRK 3.7bn, HRK 2.1bn more than in the previous quarter. Money market interest rates reduced in July and August, but continued fluctuating. The CNB conducted this year's first two foreign exchange auctions in July, creating HRK 1.0bn, while up to that moment the highest amounts of demanded and placed funds were seen at reverse repo auctions in July and August 2007. Several Lombard loans were also approved during the period. All this indicates that the cause for the rise in interest rate fluctuation is probably to be sought in the still shallow money market which cannot absorb higher inflows or outflows in short periods of time without substantial interest rate changes.

Interest rates on short-term household loans not indexed to foreign currency continued growing in the second quarter of 2007. At the same time, following a short period of growth in the first quarter, interest rates on long-term household loans indexed to foreign currency again declined in the second quarter. Interest rates on short-term corporate loans not indexed to foreign currency went up after a short period of decline, while interest rates on long-term corporate loans indexed to foreign currency followed the downward trend started in the previous quarter after having grown almost throughout the entire 2006. In the second quarter of 2007, the noticeable growth of bank interest rates on time deposits not indexed to foreign currency continued, while interest rates on foreign currency deposits also went up but at milder rates. Interest rates on sight deposits did not change much. These interest rate trends were for the most part a result of



expected adjustment of banks to CNB's measures and of the rise in European interest rates.

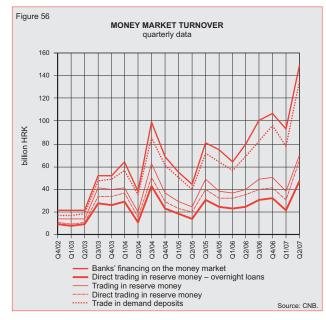
Money Market Interest Rates

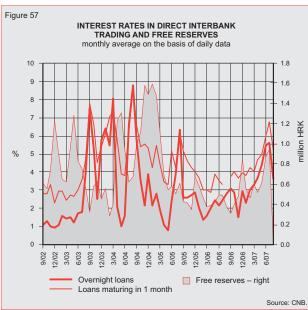
In the second quarter of 2007, banks were financing their primary liquidity using money market secondary liquidity sources to an average daily amount of HRK 2.5bn (a total of HRK 149.2bn for the quarter), which is HRK 1bn more than in the first quarter of 2007 and also HRK 1.2bn more than in the same period last year. This means that banks' financing on the money market was HRK 55.9bn higher than in the previous quarter, which was mainly due to the rise in trading in reserve money of close to HRK 32bn. Turnovers in other money market segments remained mostly unchanged. The lion's share of the HRK 149.2bn worth of loans banks received on the money market, was, as usual, made up of demand deposit loans (HRK 136bn), while the purchase of repo agreements and sale of securities accounted for about HRK 9.9bn and HRK 3.2bn respectively. Of the HRK 136bn in demand deposit loans, some HRK 70bn was accounted for by loans received from banks, HRK 38bn were loans received from other financial institutions and HRK 28bn were loans received from other legal persons.

The increase in the total amount of loans received by banks on the money market and turnover in trading in reserve money contributed to further rise of interest rates in interbank trading (in reserve money) in the second quarter of 2007. Interbank trading was dominated by direct interbank trading, which generated a quarterly turnover of HRK 64.8bn, while turnover in interbank trading intermediated by the ZMM was HRK 4.8bn, which represents a further reduction in the significance of this market segment. This is why the increase in the price of money on the money market in the second quarter of 2007 was primarily caused by the considerable rise in weighted interest rates in direct interbank trading in demand deposits, which went up from 1.82 percentage points to 1.72 percentage points.

Direct interbank trading in reserve money generated a

turnover of HRK 64.8bn in the second quarter of 2007, of which HRK 46.9bn was accounted for by the most liquid instrument, overnight loans. The average daily turnover in these steadily trended upwards during this quarter, rising from the March HRK 327m to the June HRK 1,042m. However, by August it again declined to HRK 830m. The weighted interest rate followed a similar pattern: it increased from 3.32% in March to 5.98% in June and then declined to 3.71% in August. A monthly breakdown shows that both the turnover in overnight loans in direct interbank trading and their interest rates trended upwards since December 2006. The average daily turnover in overnight loans intermediated by the ZMM mildly reduced during the observed period, from HRK 84.7m in March to HRK 82.5m in June, while in August it rose to HRK 156.6m. The weighted interest rate on these loans went up from 2.68% in March to 5.08% in June, declining again in August to 2.84%. These weighted interest rate trends were to the largest extent due to changes in the price of money in direct interbank trading, and only to a small extent to the re-

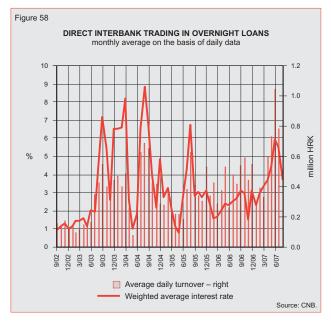


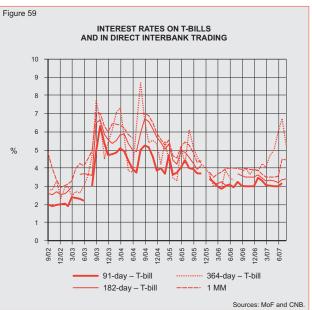


lationship between the supply and demand for smaller overnight loans that are most often traded in this segment of the interbank market.

In the second quarter 2007, the Ministry of Finance held six T-bill auctions. The amount of received subscription bids was HRK 4.15bn smaller than in the previous quarter, amounting to HRK 3.8bn. Slightly over 60% of received bids were accepted, leading to the subscription HRK 2.4bn worth of T-bills, HRK 100m less than initially planned.

Interest rates on MoF auctions of T-bills in the second quarter of 2007 did not follow the movements of money market interest rates. The weighted interest rates on 91 and 182-day T-bills declined in June compared with March, from 3.07% and 3.30% to 3.0% and 3.20% respectively, while at the same time the weighted interest rate on T-bills with longest maturity of 364 days went up mildly from 3.50% to 3.54%. By August 2007, the weighted interest rates on T-bill auctions went up for T-bills of all maturities, with the interest rate on 364-day T-bills rising the most, by slightly less than





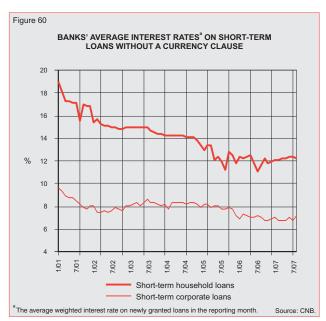
one percentage point, to 4.45%. These movements on the primary T-bill market widened the negative spread between interest rates on these bills and interest rates in trading in reserve money. The negative spread between the weighted monthly interest on MoF auctions of 364-day T-bills and the weighted interest rate on loans due in less than one month (in direct interbank trading in reserve money) increased gradually from 0.55 in March to 2.45 percentage points in June.

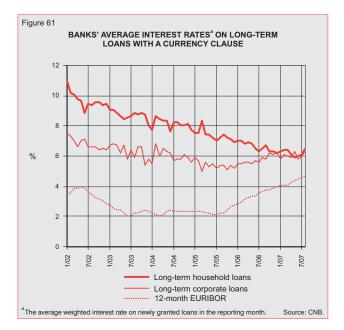
The stock of subscribed MoF T-bills declined from HRK 13.2bn at the end of March to HRK 12.6bn at the end of June (HRK 12bn at the end of August). In the structure of subscribed T-bills, one-year bills continued to account for the lion's share which stood at 94.2% at the end of the second quarter, up 1 percentage point on the previous quarter. Next to follow were 182-day T-bills with a share of 4.8%, while the share of T-bills with the shortest maturity amounted to 1%. In August 2007, the share of 364-day T-bills grew even more to a high 95.9%, while T-bills with maturity of 91 and 182 days accounted for 0.78% and 3.3% of the total.

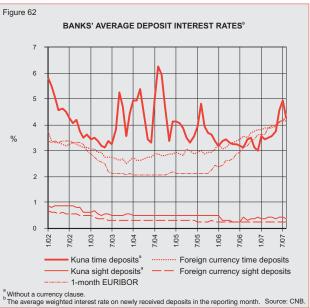
Banks' Interest Rates

Banks' interest rates on both short-term corporate and household loans not indexed to foreign currency went up. The weighted interest rate on short-term kuna corporate loans not indexed to foreign currency grew from 6.68% in March to 7.03% in June and 7.12% in August, while the weighted interest rate on short-term household loans not indexed to foreign currency, which went up from 12.14% in March to 12.29% in June, declined to 12.16% in August. This was primarily a result of the rise in the share of overdrafts, commonly the most expensive loans, whose interest rate did not change much in the second quarter as well as of the sizeable rise in the interest rate on other short-term household loans, which went up from 7.38% to 8.47%.

The weighted interest rate on long-term corporate loans indexed to foreign currency mildly declined compared to the previous quarter. In March, it stood at 6.03%, while in June it decreased to 5.81%. By August it grew to 6.28%. The weight-







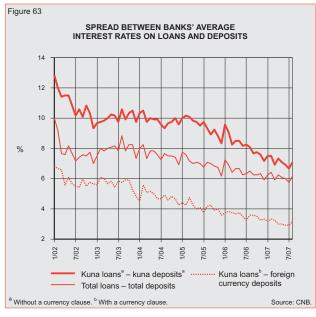
ed interest rate on long-term household loans indexed to foreign currency went down from 6.44% in March to 5.97% in June, to go up to 6.46% in August.

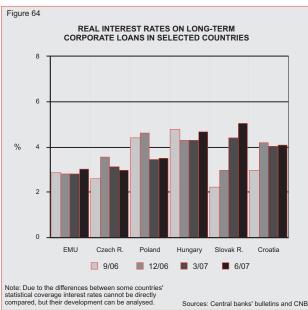
The weighted interest rate on kuna time deposits not indexed to foreign currency continued rising in the second quarter. In March, it stood at 3.49%, rising to 4.55% in June and 4.95% in July, its highest level since October 2004. However, in August it went down to 4.25%. This increase was a consequence of banks adjusting to CNB's measures from late 2006, making these deposits the cheapest source of bank funds in terms of regulatory costs. The weighted interest rate on foreign currency time deposits also grew further, primarily due to the rise of interest rates in the eurozone, from 3.86% in March to 4.05% in June and 4.16% in August. The weighted interest rate on kuna savings deposits slightly narrowed to 0.42%, that is, to 0.38% in August, while the weighted interest rate on foreign currency sight deposits remained unchanged at 0.26%.

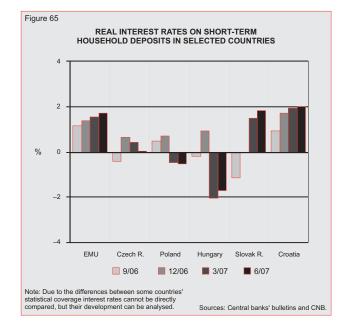
As compared to the previous periods, the spreads between

lending and deposits rates mostly narrowed in the second quarter of 2007, while in August they widened mildly. The spread between the weighted interest rate on total loans and that on total deposits went up from 5.91 percentage points in March to 6.02 percentage points in June and up to 6.16 percentage points in August. Despite this rise it still remained at its lowest recorded level since the introduction of the new interest rate reporting methodology in January 2002. The spread between the weighted interest rate on kuna loans not indexed to foreign currency and the weighted interest on kuna deposits not indexed to foreign currency narrowed from 6.95 percentage points in March to 6.88 percentage points in June, to rise again to 7.09 percentage points in August. The spread between the weighted interest rate on kuna loans indexed to foreign currency and the weighted interest rate on foreign currency deposits dropped from 3.29 percentage points in March to 2.90 percentage points in June, but widened to 3.13 percentage points in August.

The mentioned decrease in the weighted nominal interest







rate on long-term corporate loans indexed to foreign currency in the second quarter 2007 did not affect the movements of the weighted interest rate on all long-term kuna corporate loans (with or without a currency clause) in Croatia, which rose and continued rising through July and August. Its rise, moderated by the parallel increase in the inflation rate, resulted in a mild increase in the real interest rate on long-term corporate loans in the second quarter of 2007. In the same period this interest rate rose in the EMU, Poland, Hungary and Slovakia. As regards the EMU and Poland, these trends were due to the rise in nominal interest rates on long-term corporate loans accompanied by stable inflation rate, while in Hungary they resulted from the decline in the inflation rate. In Slovakia they were a result of the concurrent rise in nominal interest rates and a decline in the inflation rate. Due to faster growth of the inflation rate than the rise in nominal interest rates, real interest rates on long-term corporate loans declined in the Czech Republic.

Due to the parallel increase in the inflation rate and the nominal interest rate on household deposits, in Croatia the real interest rate on household deposits went up only mildly in the first quarter 2007. They rose also in the EMU, Hungary and Slovakia. Real interest rates on household deposits in other observed countries declined, mainly because of the inflation rate rise.

Capital Market

Positive developments in the capital market observed in the first quarter of 2007 largely continued in the second quarter, which was marked by continued rise in the prices of most shares and a record value of the domestic stock exchange index as well as by the record quarterly share turnover.

CROBEX value reached its record high in mid-May 2007, reducing again in June due to the negative influence of the several factors on share prices. They were the sting operation by the State Attorney's Office leading to the arrest of several officials of the Croatian Privatisation Fund, the in-

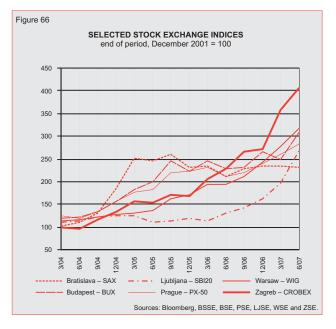
security surrounding the planned further privatisations and possible revision of the already completed ones as well as the start of Magma's IPO. Negative developments in the world's equity market also contributed to the decline in the value of the index, but their influence was much weaker. Magma's initial public offering which lasted from the end of June to the middle of July, prompted some investors to raise the required funds by selling off their existing portfolios, which caused many share prices, especially those of highly liquid shares, to fall. This IPO attracted numerous small investors, who previously did not participate in the capital market, which was to a great extent a result of the success of Ina's IPO. After recovering in July, in the middle of August CROBEX value started declining again, which had to do primarily with investors preparing for the second stage of the privatisation of the T-HT through an initial public offering in the middle of September. The crisis in the world's financial markets caused by problems with subprime mortgage loans in the US did not significantly affect the domestic capital market.

In April 2007, the Central Depository Agency additionally contributed to the transparency of the domestic capital market by publishing data on the ownership structure and top ten accounts per security quoted on the stock exchange on daily basis instead of weekly. The new trading system of the Zagreb Stock Exchange is also expected to become operational soon, enabling larger transaction volumes and financial derivatives trading. Market makers in the equity market which are about to start operating in the domestic capital market are also expected to contribute to its better liquidity and transparency, reducing the volatility of share prices which is characteristic of the domestic market.

Following an exceptionally dynamic first quarter, which registered the largest bond turnover, the domestic debt securities market was much less eventful in the second quarter of 2007. Reasons for this are probably to be found in the fact that investors took time to prepare for the second tranche of the kuna government bond in July 2007 as well as that there was only one corporate bond issue and the issue of one tranche of a municipal bond. This latest government borrowing was the reason why bond turnover in the domestic market grew more intensive again in July and August.

Stock exchange indices grew and share trading intensified also on other Central and Eastern European markets in the

Table 6: Comparison of Capital Market Indicators



second quarter of 2007. Until end-June, compared with the end of the first quarter, the Ljubljana Stock Exchange index grew the most (37.3%), followed by the Budapest Stock Exchange index which, increasing by 23.5% on the end of March 2007, recovered from a fall early in the year. In the same period, the Warsaw Stock Exchange index increased by 14.9%, while the Zagreb Stock Exchange index went up at a slightly lower rate of 14.1%. The Prague Stock Exchange index also went up (8.6%), while the only index whose value declined in the second quarter was the Bratislava Stock Exchange index, which went down by 2.0%, and was the only one among the selected stock exchange indices that ended the first half of the year in negative territory compared to the end of the previous year.

Market capitalisation of shares moved in line with the movement of stock exchange indices, so at the end of June 2007 it exceeded March results at all selected stock exchanges apart from the Bratislava Stock Exchange. However, market capitalisation of bonds went up only at the Bratislava Stock Exchange, declining at all other stock exchanges in question. According to the market capitalisation of shares to GDP, the Zagreb Stock Exchange was ahead of all other selected stock exchanges in the second quarter of 2007. In June, compared

June 2007	Bratislava	Budapest	Ljubljana	Prague	Warsaw	Zagreb
Average daily turnover, shares (million EUR)	0.0	205.7	8.0	115.6	576.1	13.5
Average daily turnover, bonds (million EUR)	9.8	2.7	0.4	94.6	5.2	14.9
Turnover ^a /GDP ^c , annual level (%)	0.0	55.9	6.5	24.9	52.4	10.0
Turnover ^b /GDP ^c , annual level (%)	5.3	0.7	0.3	20.4	0.5	11.0
Turnover velocity ^d	0.3	138.3	11.4	46.2	n.a.	7.9
Market capitalisation ^a (million EUR), end month	4,489	37,486	17,622	63,120	n.a.	42,936
Market capitalisation ^b (million EUR), end month	13,227	37,972	6,055	n.a.	n.a.	5.751
Market capitalisation ^a /GDP ^c , end month (%)	9.7	40.4	57.4	54.0	n.a.	125.5
Market capitalisation ^b /GDP ^c , end month (%)	28.6	41.0	19.7	n.a.	n.a.	16.8
Index movement from the beginning of the year (%)	-1.4	16.4	65.5	17.0	31.1	50.6
ndex movement from the beginning of the month (%)	3.8	8.3	12.3	1.4	4.0	-2.8

a Shares. b Bonds. c 2006. d Annualised monthly share turnover × 100/market capitalisation of shares

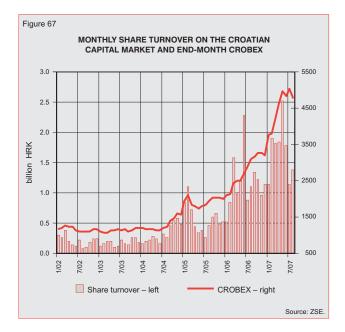
Sources: Bloomberg and reports from BSSE, BSE, PSE, LJSE, WSE and ZSE.

to March, share turnover was higher at all observed stock exchanges, with the exception of the Bratislava Stock Exchange and the Prague Stock Exchange. Bond turnover went up as well, declining only at the Zagreb Stock Exchange and the Bratislava Stock Exchange.

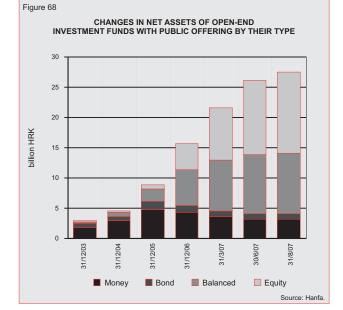
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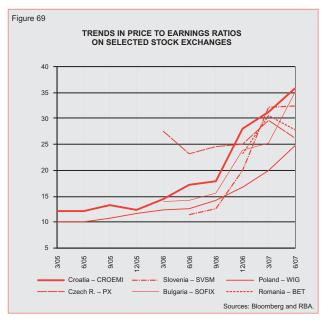
In the second quarter of 2007, share turnover¹⁹ on the Croatian capital market reached an all time high of HRK 6.1bn, up HRK 1.3bn over the previous quarter and HRK 1.7bn over the same period in 2006. The most traded share in the second quarter was that of Adris Group d.d. which accounted for 6.5% of the total share turnover, followed by Ina (5.9%) and Ericsson Nikola Tesla d.d. (5.1%). In July and August, trade was dominated by Ina, whose share made up 8.5% of the total monthly share turnover, Dalekovod (5.1%) and Ericsson Nikola Tesla d.d. which took up the third place (4.7%).

Strong growth of the Zagreb Stock Exchange index, CROBEX,²⁰ which started in the first quarter 2007, continued in the second quarter of the year, pushing its value up by another 14.1% to 4835 points, up as much as 50.7% on the end of 2006. However, due to developments discussed in the introduction its uninterrupted upward trend was halted,



- 19 The data on the total share turnover from January 2002 to February 2007 are the sum of individual shares' turnovers on the stock exchanges in Varaždin and Zagreb. The data of the unified Zagreb Stock Exchange have been used since March 2007 and the merger of the Varaždin Stock Exchange and the Zagreb Stock Exchange.
- 20 Since 19 March 2007, the CROBEX has been calculated based on the new methodology including only the amount of market capitalisation actually available for trading, as opposed to the previous CROBEX weighting based on full market capitalisation. In addition, new procedures have been installed providing for the accelerated listing of the most liquid new shares. As a result of these methodological changes and the Varaždin Stock Exchange ceasing its operations, as of 19 March 2007 the CROBEX consisted of thirty shares, seventeen of which were included in the previous index composition, seven were comprised by the Varaždin Stock Exchange index, VIN, five were included after having met the new index inclusion criteria and one share included following the accelerated listing requirements.





so its value stood at 4760 at the end of August, down 1.5% on the end of the first half of 2007. Nevertheless, CROBEX exceeded its last year's value by a healthy 48.3%.

Thanks to the continued strong growth of most share prices, market capitalisation of shares on the Zagreb Stock Exchange went up by 18.6% at the end of the second quarter, compared with the previous quarter, reaching HRK 313.4bn. In addition to the growth of share prices, the rise in share market capitalisation on the Zagreb Stock Exchange was also due to a significant increase in liquidity of some shares.²¹ Until the end of August, share market capitalisation decreased to HRK 308.7bn.

Share prices growth in the second quarter of 2007 resulted in further increase in the price to earnings ratio for

²¹ The ZSE market capitalisation is calculated including the total market capitalisation of shares traded regularly in the previous three months, half of market capitalisation of shares not traded in the previous month and a quarter of market capitalisation of shares not traded in the previous three months.

Table 7: Bond Issues in the Domestic Market, stock as at 31 August 2007

Series	Issuer	Issue date	Maturity	Currency	Issue nominal value	Nominal interest rate	Last price ^a	Current yield 31/8/2007
RHMF-O-08CA	Republic of Croatia	14/12/2001	14/12/2008	EUR	200,000,000	6.875%	102.45	6.711%
RHMF-O-125A	Republic of Croatia	23/5/2002	23/5/2012	EUR	500,000,000	6.875%	108.60	6.331%
RHMF-O-085A	Republic of Croatia	28/5/2003	28/5/2008	HRK	1,000,000,000	6.125%	101.10	6.058%
RHMF-O-142A	Republic of Croatia	10/2/2004	10/2/2014	EUR	650,000,000	5.500%	103.50	5.314%
RHMF-O-19BA	Republic of Croatia	29/11/2004	29/11/2019	EUR	200,000,000	5.375%	110.45	4.866%
RHMF-O-103A	Republic of Croatia	8/3/2005	8/3/2010	HRK	3,000,000,000	6.750%	106.60	6.332%
RHMF-O-157A	Republic of Croatia	14/7/2005	14/7/2015	EUR	350,000,000	4.250%	95.45	4.453%
RHMF-O-15CA	Republic of Croatia	15/12/2005	15/12/2015	HRK	5,500,000,000	5.250%	101.15	5.190%
RHMF-O-137A	Republic of Croatia	11/7/2006	11/7/2013	HRK	4,000,000,000	4.500%	96.35	4.670%
RHMF-O-172A	Republic of Croatia	8/2/2007	8/2/2017	HRK	5,500,000,000	4.750%	96.25	4.935%
GDKC-O-116A	City of Koprivnica	29/6/2004	29/6/2011	HRK	60,000,000	6.500%	101.30	6.417%
GDZD-O-119A	City of Zadar	1/9/2004	1/9/2011	EUR	18,500,000	5.500%	102.55	5.363%
GDRI-O-167A	City of Rijeka	18/7/2006	18/7/2016	EUR	16,383,008	4.125%	-	-
GDST-O-137A	City of Split	24/7/2006	24/7/2013	EUR	8,000,000	4.563%	100.30	4.549%
HBOR-O-112A	CBRD	11/2/2004	11/2/2011	EUR	300,000,000	4.875%	-	-
BLSC-O-091A	Belišće d.d.	14/1/2005	14/1/2009	EUR	8,000,000	5.500%	101.60	5.413%
HYBA-O-086A	Hypo Alpe-Adria-Bank d.d.	6/6/2003	6/6/2008	HRK	150,000,000	6.500%	102.00	6.373%
BNAI-O-22CA	Bina Istra d.d.	15/12/2002	15/12/2022	EUR	210,000,000	8.000%	100.00	8.000%
PLVA-O-115A	Pliva d.d.	12/5/2004	12/5/2011	EUR	75,000,000	5.750%	99.50	5.779%
MDKA-O-087A	Medika d.d.	11/7/2005	11/7/2008	EUR	16,500,000	4.500%	99.10	4.541%
RBA-O-112A	Raiffeisen Bank Austria d.d.	10/2/2006	10/2/2011	HRK	600,000,000	4.125%	98.00	4.209%
PODR-O-115A	Podravka d.d.	17/5/2006	17/5/2011	HRK	375,000,000	5.125%	96.20	5.327%
NEXE-O-116A	Nexe grupa d.d.	14/6/2006	14/6/2011	HRK	750,000,000	5.500%	97.00	5.670%
MTEL-O-097A	Metronet telekomunikacije d.d.	28/7/2006	28/7/2009	HRK	120,000,000	8.500%	101.90	8.342%
HOTR-O-941A	Hospitalija trgovina d.o.o.	5/10/2006	5/10/2009	HRK	75,000,000	8.250%	101.20	8.152%
HEP-O-13BA	Hrvatska elektroprivreda d.d.	29/11/2006	29/11/2013	HRK	500,000,000	5.000%	94.00	5.319%
ATGR-O-11CA	Atlantic grupa d.d.	6/12/2006	6/12/2011	HRK	115,000,000	5.750%	98.35	-
INGR-O-11CA	Ingra d.d.	6/12/2006	6/12/2011	HRK	200,000,000	6.125%	98.80	6.199%
OPTE-O-142A	Optima telekom d.o.o.	1/2/2007	1/2/2014	HRK	250,000,000	9.125%	101.85	8.959%
JDGL-O-126A	Jadran Galenski laboratorij d.d.	11/06/2007	11/06/2012	HRK	125,000,000	5.650%	-	-

^a Regularly traded shares. Source: ZSE

the CROEMI,²² which stood at 35.9 at the end of June, up 14.8% on the end of March 2007 and 108.9% on the end of June last year. A long-term upward trend in this ratio was observed also at the majority of Central and Eastern European Stock Exchanges, with the exception of the Bucharest Stock Exchange and the Prague Stock Exchange where this ratio narrowed in the period from the end of the first until the end of the second quarter.

Debt Securities Market

The government did not borrow in the domestic market in the second quarter of 2007, so only one new tranche of a municipal bond and one corporate bond were issued since the beginning of the year. In May, the City of Rijeka issued the second tranche of its ten-year bond in the nominal value of EUR 8.2m, doubling the total value of the issue, and June saw the issue of "JADRAN" - Galenski laboratorij d.d. tenyear kuna bond, worth HRK 125m in nominal terms, with yield to maturity at issue of 5.65%. In July, MoF issued the second tranche of a ten-year kuna bond, whose nominal value was reduced from the planned HRK 3.5bn to HRK 3.0bn due to favourable movements of budget revenues, raising the total value of the issue to HRK 5.5bn. As the government euro three-year bond and the euro three-year bond of Atlantic Group d.o.o. matured in July, there were 30 bonds listed on the domestic capital market on the last day of August, including ten government bonds, four municipal bonds, one government agency bond (CBRD) and fifteen corporate bonds. Market capitalisation²³ of the government bonds, municipal bonds and CBRD bond totalled HRK 4.9bn at the end of August, accounting for about 14.3% of GDP for 2006, while market capitalisation of the corporate bonds stood at

²² The Croatian Equity Market Index, CROEMI, is a Raiffeisenbank Austria d.d. index, calculated since 20 May 2003 as the only index monitoring share prices prior to the merger of the Varaždin Stock Exchange into the Zagreb Stock Exchange irrespective of the stock exchange of their listing, which was because the constituent shares of the CROBEX and VIN were exclusively listed on either the Zagreb or the Varaždin Stock Exchange. The CROEMI is weighted based on the market capitalisation of shares available for trading, with the maximum weight assigned to a share limited to 15%. As opposed to the CROBEX, for which data on the price to earnings ratio of constituent shares have been compiled since as early as September 2006, such data have been compiled for the CROEMI since June 2004 and they are also comparable, as the CROBEX calculation methodology has not changed, in contrast with the CROBEX calculation

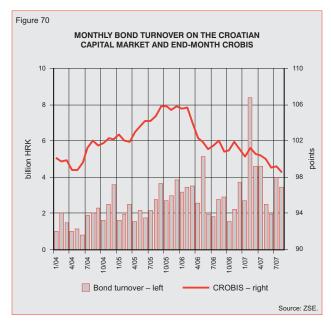
²³ The CNB calculates bond market capitalisation based on the latest price achieved in regular trading and, in converting the kuna exchange rate into the euro equivalent and vice versa, uses the exchange rate valid at the end of the observed month. As the ZSE calculates this indicator applying the weighted average price on the last trading day, irrespective of the turnover and the exchange rate valid on that day, minor discrepancies might be discovered between the amounts of bond market capitalisation stated here and those presented in Table 5.

Bonds	lssue date	Currency	Amount	Nominal interest rate	Yield on issue date	Spread on issue date	Spread ^a 30/9/2006	Spread ^a 31/12/2006	Spread ^a 31/3/2007	Spread ^a 30/6/2007
London Club A, 2010	31/7/1996	USD	857,796,000	6-month LIBOR + 81.25 b.p.			100	86	92	100
Eurobonds, 2011	14/3/2001	EUR	750,000,000	6.75%	6.90%	215	53	40	40	25
Eurobonds, 2009	11/2/2002	EUR	500,000,000	6.25%	6.45%	158	52	39	38	21
Eurobonds, 2010	14/2/2003	EUR	500,000,000	4.625%	4.65%	102	50	39	40	20
Eurobonds, 2014	15/4/2004	EUR	500,000,000	5.000%	5.11%	101	54	42	43	31
Samurai bonds, 2007	11/7/2000	JPY	40,000,000,000	3.00%	3.00%	135	59	46	62	
Samurai bonds, 2008	26/6/2002	JPY	25,000,000,000	2.15%	2.15%	144	48	40	40	41
Samurai bonds, 2009	26/6/2003	JPY	25,000,000,000	1.23%	1.23%	99	50	46	44	47

Table 8: Republic of Croatia International Bond Issues, stock as at 30 June 2007

a In relation to benchmark bond

Source: Bloomberg.



EUR 781m or some 2.3% of GDP for 2006. As at end-June 2007, twenty six commercial paper issues by sixteen issuers were listed on the Zagreb Stock Exchange, the largest number of commercial paper issues listed up to that date, totalling slightly less than HRK 1.0bn.

Total bond turnover²⁴ was down HRK 6.6bn in the second quarter 2007, compared with the record high in the previous quarter, totalling HRK 9.1bn, which was to the greatest extent due to weaker trading in May and June, to be linked with the market preparing for the new tranche of a government bond. Its issue contributed to turnover reintensification in July and August, when it totalled HRK 7.4bn. Republic of Croatia bonds issued in the domestic currency had the largest share in the bond turnover in the second quarter of 2007, with the most traded bond being the government bond due in 2015, which was followed by the government bonds maturing in 2014 and 2013, while the most traded government bond in August was the ten-year bond due in 2017. The share of all the government bonds in the total quarterly

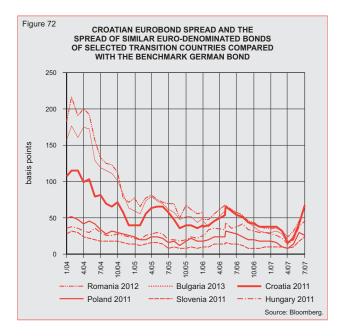
bond turnover amounted to 97%, maintaining similar levels in July and August. The Zagreb Stock Exchange bond index, CROBIS, continued declining, standing at 99.08 points at the end of the second quarter 2007 and 98.53 points at the end of August.

In accordance with the government debt management strategy, aimed at replacing external with domestic debt, the Republic of Croatia issued no bonds in the foreign markets either in the second quarter or in July or August of 2007. Since the seven-year Samurai bond matured in July, in the nominal value of JPY 40bn or some HRK 1.8bn, seven Croatian bonds were listed on international markets, one less than at the end of the previous quarter. Of the remaining international issues of Croatian bonds, four were euro-denominated, two yendenominated and one was denominated in US dollars. The seven Croatian eurobond issues totalled HRK 23.4bn at the end of August 2007.

In line with forecasts of the rise in the ECB's reference rate due to inflationary pressures which accompanied positive economic developments in the eurozone, the second quarter of 2007 was marked by the rise in required yields on benchmark German bonds. At the same time required yields on domestic eurobonds also rose, but at a slower pace, so yield spreads between Croatian eurobonds and benchmark German bonds due in 2009, 2011 and 2014 declined at the end of July, to 21, 25 and 31 basis points respectively,



²⁴ The data on the total bond turnover from January 2004 to February 2007 are the sum of the respective bond turnovers on the Varaždin Stock Exchange and Zagreb Stock Exchange, with data of the unified Zagreb Stock Exchange used since March 2007 and the merger of the Varaždin Exchange into the Zagreb Stock Exchange. It needs emphasising that the Varaždin Stock Exchange bond turnover had been negligible, standing below 0.4% of the total turnover on both stock exchanges in all the observed years.



which was a significant decrease compared with 38, 40 and 43 basis points at end-March 2006. However, crisis on the world's financial markets which was threatening to spread to other segments of the economy pushed investors towards safer investments, which resulted in strong growth of demand for government bonds of developed countries in July and August 2007 and large decrease in required yields on low-risk bonds. Such movements continued amid speculations that ECB might decide against raising the benchmark interest rate until the end of 2007, while Fed was expected to reduce its benchmark rate at the September meeting of the FOMC (Federal Open Market Comittee). In contrast, yields on Croatian eurobonds maintained much the same levels as in June 2007 or slightly higher, which resulted in the substantial rise in the spread between their yields and the yield on comparable German bond. As a result, the yield spread for bonds of above-mentioned maturities totalled 65, 72 and 72 basis points at the end of August, which were the results last seen at the end of 2004.

As eurobond yields of the new EU members mostly grew at a slightly slower pace than the yields on benchmark German bonds in the second quarter of 2007, the related yield spreads narrowed. However, in contrast to yields on Croatian eurobonds, yields on eurobonds of other observed countries, except Bulgaria, went down in July and August, increasing the spread between their yields until the end of August. However, this spread increase was still smaller than in the case of the comparable Croatian eurobond.

International Transactions

The less pronounced growth of the current account deficit in the second quarter of 2007 is attributed to the additional slowdown in the foreign trade deficit and the increase in net exports of services relative to the second quarter in 2006. In contrast, the factor income account and the account of current transfers saw a deteriorated in their balances in the reference period. The second quarter of 2007 was also marked by slower growth of external debt. Notwithstanding the increase in direct borrowing of enterprises abroad, the major contributor to the slowdown of external debt was the decrease in banks' debt. The tighter CNB measures aimed at curbing placement growth and the favourable seasonal effects resulted in a further substantial reduction of banks' external debt in July and August. It is therefore expected that the growth in total external debt will not be registered at the end of the third quarter.

Given a relatively mild increase in the current account deficit in the first quarter of 2007, the overall deficit growth was substantially lower in the first half of 2007 than in the same period in 2006 (3.6% vs. 23.7%). Following these developments, the foreign trade deficit fell from 14.2% to 11.7%, mostly due to the slowdown in the growth of goods imports. Concurrently, the growth of goods exports was two times slower, mainly on account of poorer performance in the first quarter of 2007 which was largely the result of the base effects related to exports of ship. The foreign trade in services additionally improved in the first half of 2007, with the growth in the positive balance being three times faster in the reference period than in the first half of 2006, predominantly due lower expenditures. As a result, the growth of the negative foreign trade balance in goods and services was four times slower in the first six months of 2007 than in the same period in 2006, contributing to a slight improvement in the import/export coverage rate (from 69.3% to 70.5%).

Current Account

According to preliminary data, the current account deficit rose by 3.9% in the second quarter of 2007 relative to the second quarter of 2006, reaching a total of EUR 1.3bn. The annual growth of the current account deficit was considerably lower than the one registered in the same period last year (10.8%). In part, this was the consequence of the slower growth in the foreign trade deficit, which fell from 11.8% in the April-June period of 2006 to 8.2% in the April-June period of 2007 on account of commendable performance in goods exports. In addition, the account of services saw an increase in net revenues.

The annual growth of total goods imports, according to the BoP data expressed in euros, accelerated from 5.2% in the second quarter of 2006 to as much as 16.1% in the same period in 2007. This acceleration was for the major part accounted for by larger exports of transport equipment (predominantly ships), which offset weaker exports of ships in the first quarter of the year. Concurrently, the value of exports of oil and refined petroleum products grew strongly in the reference period as the growth in the volume of exports outpaced the fall in export prices. In contrast, exports of other energy products decelerated, especially those encompassing natural gas, manufactured gas and electric current. Exports of some foods products, including coffee, tea, cacao and spices, and sugar, sugar preparations and honey, also fell.

The annual growth of total exports of goods stood at 9% in the first half of 2007 and was two times lower than the one registered in the same period last year (17.5%). The slower growth of exports was for the main part the result of much

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	2005	2006	Apr.–Jun.2006	Apr.–Jun. 2007 ^a –	2006/2005	Apr.–Jun. 2007ª/Apr.–Jun. 2006
CURRENT ACCOUNT	-1,988	-2,647	-1,299	-1,350	133.1	103.9
1. Goods	-7,518	-8,344	-2,343	-2,535	111.0	108.2
1.1. Credit (f.o.b.)	7,220	8,464	1,977	2,295	117.2	116.1
1.2. Debit (f.o.b.)	-14,738	-16,808	-4,320	-4,830	114.0	111.8
2. Services	5,318	5,710	1,297	1,520	107.4	117.2
2.1. Credit	8,053	8,534	2,019	2,197	106.0	108.8
2.2. Debit	-2,735	-2,824	-722	-677	103.2	93.8
3. Income	-972	-1,119	-549	-598	115.2	108.9
3.1. Credit	611	820	191	310	134.1	162.3
3.2. Debit	-1,583	-1,939	-740	-907	122.5	122.7
4. Current transfers	1,184	1,106	297	263	93.4	88.5
4.1. Credit	1,628	1,638	441	392	100.6	88.9
4.2. Debit	-445	-532	-144	-129	119.7	89.7

Tablica 9: Current Account, in million EUR

^a Preliminary data Source: CNB.

smaller exports of energy products (natural gas, manufactured gas and electric current), exports of coffee, tea, cacao and spices and exports of fish and preparations. In addition, the growth of exports of other transport equipment (ships) and exports of oil and refined petroleum products slowed down considerably in the first six months of 2007, contributing negatively to the growth of total exports of goods in the reference period. In contrast to these SITC divisions, some other divisions, including electrical machinery apparatus and equipment and wearing apparel, showed good export results.

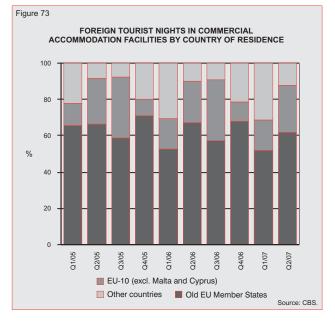
Imports of goods strengthened to 11.8% in the second quarter of 2007, while in the second quarter of 2006 they stood at 8.7%. To a large extent, this strengthening was the result of the increase in imports of oil and refined petroleum products, iron and steel, road vehicles and general industrial machinery and equipment. The growth in the value of imports of oil and refined petroleum products was the result of the substantially larger volume of imports, given that their import prices were lower in the second quarter than in the same period last year. Imports of natural and manufactured gas also declined, which was especially marked in the second quarter when gas consumption fell due to warm weather.

The annual growth of total imports of goods fell from 15.8% in the first six months of 2006 to 10.4% in the first six months of 2007. Weaker imports of energy products contributed the most to the slower growth of total imports. Specifically, imports of oil and refined petroleum products slowed down noticeably in the first half of 2007 and were accompanied by considerably lower imports of natural and manufactured gas. In contrast, strong imports of iron and steel and imports of road vehicles made a large contribution to the growth of total imports of goods which remained relatively high.

The balance in the account of services was positive in the second quarter of 2007 compared with the same period last year, standing at 17.2%. This is largely attributed to the strong growth of tourism revenues and to the lower net imports of other services from abroad, predominately financial services (insurance services excluded). The balance in transportation services saw no significant changes in the reference period due to an almost equal growth in revenues and expenditures.

After growing strongly in the first quarter of 2007, the annual growth of tourism revenues continued at an unabated pace in the second quarter of 2007 (13.5%). These trends are also corroborated by CBS data on foreign tourists' arrivals and nights stayed in commercial accommodation facilities which, compared with the second quarter of 2006, went up by 12.3% and 6.9% respectively. The increase in the number of nights was to a large extent the result of the increase in nights stayed by tourists from Slovenia, the Czech R., Russia and Austria, while on the other hand a considerable decrease in the number of nights was the result of the fall in nights stayed by tourists from Germany, France and Great Britain.

Due to the better results seen in the account of services in the first quarter of 2007 than in the same quarter of 2006, the annual growth of its positive balance accelerated to a high 30% in the first half of 2007 relative to 10.7% in the same period of 2006. The major contributors to this were the fall



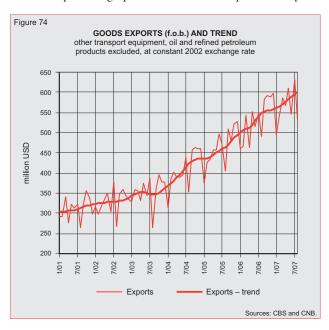
in expenditures on other services and the strong growth in revenues, especially tourism-related revenues. In addition to the slower growth of the deficit in the account of goods, the annual growth of the deficit in trade of goods and services slowed down considerably in the first six months of 2007 over the same period last year (4% vs. 15.8%).

The factor income deficit was 8.9% higher in the second half of 2007 than in the same period last year, due to sturdy growth in expenditures. As for individually types of expenditures, the biggest increase was seen in domestic sectors' expenditures on direct equity investment, the largest portion of which was accounted for by retained earnings that did not change considerably relative to the same period last year, and in the dividends paid out to the foreign owners of domestic enterprises which grew three times over the same period last year. Domestic sectors also largely increased their expenditures on interest on foreign liabilities, predominantly enterprises, while banks and the government sector moderately decreased their expenditures on interest on foreign liabilities. In the second quarter of 2007, the factor income account also saw a significant growth in revenues, mostly comprising the compensation to employees, external inflows from international reserves investment and retained earnings of domestic owners of foreign enterprises.

The balance in the account of current transfers continued to deteriorate in the second quarter of 2007, due to the larger annual fall in revenues than in expenditures. The fall in total revenues was almost fully accounted for by lower revenues of other domestic sectors from workers' remittances, while the fall in expenditures was almost fully accounted for by the government sector and included the lower value of goods that were exported without being paid for (e.g. humanitarian aid, products presented at the fairs, and the like).

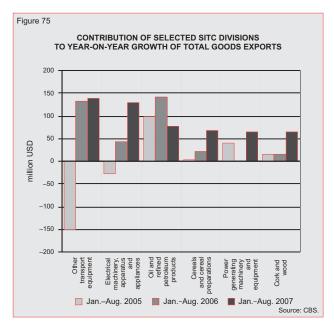
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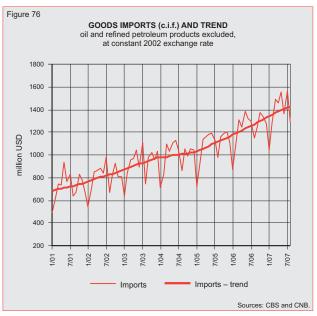
Total exports of goods (measured in constant exchange rate terms) grew by 12.3% in the first eight months of 2007, down 4.4 percentage points over the same period last year.

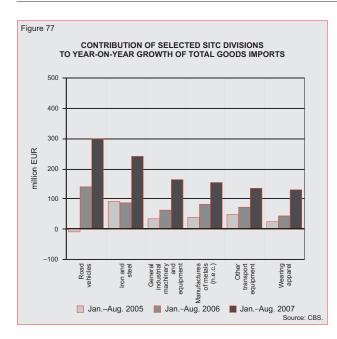


This slowdown may to a large extent be attributed to the fall in exports of energy products (natural gas, manufactured gas and electric current). Moreover, exports of some food products such as coffee, tea, cacao and spices and exports of fish and preparations also fell in the first eight months of 2007, while in the same period last year they were one of the largest SITC contributors to total export growth.

In contrast to these SITC divisions, a number of other SITC divisions continued to register good export results in the reference period. Specifically, exports of other transport equipment (predominantly ships) made the largest individual contribution to total export growth in the first eight months of 2007. In addition, one should take into account the increase in exports of electrical machinery, apparatus and equipment and the high value of exports of oil and refined petroleum products whose annual growth was three times lower in the January-August period of 2007 than in the same period last year. An exceptional increase was also registered in the exports of cereals and cereal preparations, power generating







machinery and equipment, cork and wood, and machinery specialised for particular industries.

Total imports of goods (measured in constant exchange rate terms) rose by 12.5% in the first eight months of 2007, which was less than in the same period last year (17%). The slowdown in the growth of total imports may in part be attributed to lower imports of natural and manufactured gas, imports of sugar, sugar preparations and honey, and imports of leather manufactures and dressed fur skins. The fall in imports of natural and manufactured gas was mainly registered in the second quarter when, due to warm weather, the consumption of these energy products trended downward. In addition, imports of some other SITC divisions grew slower in the first eight months of 2007 than in the same period of 2006 and thus contributed to the moderate growth of total imports of goods. This is in particular related to the growth in the import value of oil and refined petroleum products which, although still high, was four times lower in the January-August period of 2007 than in the same period last year.

In contrast, imports of road vehicles continued to grow strongly (in the first eight months of 2007, the annual growth

Tablica 10: Exports and Imports by Economic Classification of Countries, in %

rate of imports of road vehicles, measured in constant exchange rate terms, stood at 16.5%, while in the first eight months of 2006 it amounted to 14.4%). In addition, imports of iron and steel continued to play the major role in the relatively high growth of imports - the growth of imports of this SITC division accounted for about one-tenth of the total growth in goods imports in the first eight months of 2007, which is almost two times more than in the same period last year. The increase in the value of imports of iron and steel was also accounted by their high prices in the world market. As far as other SITC divisions are concerned, high rates of growth were seen in imports of general industrial machinery and equipment, manufactures of metals (n.e.c.) and other transport equipment. Although slower than in the first eight months of 2006, the relatively high growth of 11.2% was also registered in imports of capital goods (machinery and transport equipment, excluding other transport equipment and road vehicles).

As shown by the geographic structure of Croatia's goods exports in the first eight months of 2007, exports to developed countries fell in the January-August period of 2007 over the same period last year, mainly on account of the slowdown in the growth of exports to old EU Member States. This slowdown may to a large extent be attributed to considerably lower exports to Italy, including energy products (natural and manufactured gas) and ships. In addition, exports to Sweden also fell noticeably and were in part accounted for by considerably lower exports of ships and non-metallic mineral manufactures. In contrast, the growth of exports to the majority of new Member States remained relatively high, with exports to Malta and Hungary accelerating the most. As for developed countries, an exceptionally high growth of exports was registered with respect to some less important trading partners, such as Marshall Islands and Bermuda, and largely comprised ships.

In contrast to developed countries, exports to developing countries grew more strongly in the first eight months of 2007 than in the same period last year, thus increasing their share in total goods exports. In addition, after slowing down in 2006, exports to Croatia's most important trading partner – Bosnia and Herzegovina – grew exceptionally fast

			Export				Import	
	2005	2006	JanAug 2006	Jan.–Aug. 2007 ^a	2005	2006	Jan.–Aug 2006	Jan.–Aug. 2007 ^a
Developed counties	69.3	71.7	72.6	70.5	73.8	72.6	72.6	72.8
EU-25	62.0	63.2	65.1	59.7	65.6	65.0	65.1	64.3
Slovenia	8.1	8.2	8.3	8.3	6.8	6.3	6.4	6.1
Hungary	1.6	1.7	1.6	2.0	3.1	3.0	3.1	2.7
EU-15	48.1	48.8	50.5	44.9	50.6	50.1	49.9	50.2
Austria	7.2	6.0	6.4	6.2	5.8	5.4	5.3	5.4
Italy	21.2	23.1	23.5	20.0	16.0	16.7	16.6	16.9
Germany	10.7	10.3	10.5	10.3	14.8	14.5	14.5	14.5
EFTA	1.1	1.5	1.6	1.3	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.9
Developing countries	30.7	28.3	27.4	29.5	26.2	27.4	27.4	27.2
Bosnia and Herzegovina	14.3	12.6	12.3	14.4	2.4	2.8	2.7	3.0
Serbia, Montenegro	4.5	5.4	5.3	6.3	0.9	1.1	1.0	1.2
Russia	1.3	1.2	1.1	1.1	9.2	10.1	10.3	9.3
China	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	4.7	5.3	4.8	5.9

^a Preliminary data. Source: CBS.

in the reference period. Exports of oil and refined petroleum products, and iron and steel accounted for a large share of exports to this country and were additionally stimulated by their high prices in the world market. Moreover, exports to Serbia and Montenegro, mostly comprising oil and refined petroleum products, non-metallic mineral manufactures and cigarettes, continued to grow at an exceptionally fast pace in the reference period.

As shown by the geographic structure of Croatia's goods imports, the share of imports from developed countries changed only slightly in the first eight months of 2007 relative to the same period last year. Specifically, it grew as strong as imports from developing countries. As a result, goods continued to predominate in imports from developed countries (72.8%). Of this, more than two-thirds of imports were made from old EU Member States, predominantly Italy and Germany. Imports from these two countries also grew the most in the January-August period of 2007 relative to the same period last year. In case of Italy, the increase in imports was mainly accounted for by larger imports of ships, which were to a great extent the result of the recording of the value-added finishing operations on a gross basis. The increase in imports from Germany was for the major part accounted for by larger imports of road vehicles and iron and steel. Imports from newer EU Member States continued to grow, but at much lower rate than in the January-August period of 2006, largely due to the slowdown in the growth of imports from Slovakia, Hungary and Malta.

Imports from developing countries continued to grow at a relatively high rate – in the January-August period of 2007, they went up by 17.6% relative to the same period last year. Imports from China grew the most or by one-third and mainly comprised the wearing apparel, telecommunication apparatus, and electrical machinery, apparatus and equipment. Imports from the neighbouring countries, especially Bosnia and Herzegovina (non-ferrous metals and manufactures of metals (n.e.c.)) and Serbia and Montenegro (iron and steel, and organic chemicals), also grew substantially. Although at a noticeably lower rate than in the first eight months of 2006, imports from Russia also grew considerably in the January-August period of 2007 and were for the most part accounted

Tablica 11: Capital and Financial Account, in million EUR

for by the energy products whose average import price was lower in the first eight months of 2007 than in the same period last year.

Capital and Financial Transactions

The account of capital and financial transactions saw a modest annual growth in net foreign direct investment in the second quarter of 2007, mostly on account of the growth in liabilities of domestic enterprises to affiliated enterprises abroad. The net portfolio investment inflow was relatively small because foreign investment of domestic sectors rose at the same rate as foreign liabilities. The net inflow in the account of other investments was considerably lower than in the second quarter 2006 due to a weaker increase in liabilities of domestic sectors arising from loans, trade credits and currency and deposits. Gross international reserves also fell in the second quarter of 2007.

Net foreign direct investment stood at EUR 0.8bn in the April-June period of 2007, up 2.8% over the same period last year. Outward foreign direct investments have not changed substantially in the reference period, while inward foreign direct investments grew modestly. For the most part, this was due to the growth in other investment, i.e. the growth in liabilities to affiliated enterprises abroad. In the same period, the value of equity investment was more than two times lower, while retained earnings fell negligibly.

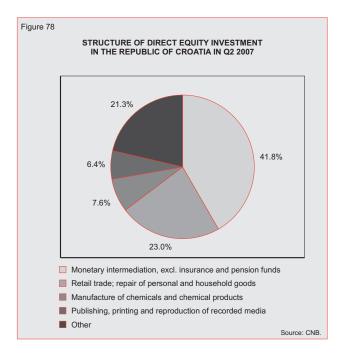
Monetary intermediation (i.e. recapitalisation of banks in foreign ownership) accounted for somewhat less than a half of total foreign direct investment in the second quarter of 2007 (insurance and pension funds excluded). Moreover, equity investments were also made in retail trade and repair of personal and household goods, manufacture of chemicals and chemical products, and publishing, printing and reproduction of recorded media. Almost 90% of all foreign direct investments were made by investors from Austria, Germany, Italy and Slovenia.

In the second quarter of 2007, the account of portfolio investment saw a relatively small net inflow (EUR 8m), due to outflows arising from larger foreign investment of domestic sectors (the growth in foreign assets) being only slightly

	2005	2006	Apr.–Jun. 2006	Apr.–Jun. 2007 ^a –		Indices
	2005	2006	Apr.–Jun. 2006	AprJun. 2007	2006/2005	Apr.–Jun. 2007 ^a / Apr.–Jun. 2006
CAPITAL AND FINANCIAL ACCOUNT	3,002	3,693	1,478	1,339	123.0	90.6
1. Capital account	54	-134	4	9	-	247.5
2. Financial account, excl. reserves	3,770	5,239	2,171	994	139.0	45.8
2.1. Direct investment	1,276	2,549	772	794	199.8	102.8
2.1.1. Abroad	-192	-164	-42	-42	85.3	99.1
2.1.2. In Croatia	1,468	2,713	814	836	184.8	102.6
2.2. Portfolio investment	-1,188	-527	87	8	44.4	8.9
2.2.1. Assets	-581	-460	-5	-338	79.1	6,296.9
2.2.2. Liabilities	-607	-67	92	345	11.1	374.3
2.3. Financial derivatives	0	0	0	0	-	-
2.4. Other investment	3,771	3,217	1,312	192	85.3	14.6
2.4.1. Assets	977	-674	102	-195	-	-
2.4.2. Liabilities	2,794	3,891	1,210	387	139.3	32.0
3. Reserve assets (CNB)	-822	-1,412	-697	336	171.8	-

a Preliminary data

Source: CNB.



lower than inflows arising from the growth in liabilities of domestic sectors. The increase in foreign assets was primarily accounted for by the increase in domestic investment funds' investments in equity securities in foreign markets, while the increase in liabilities was mainly generated by a new CBRD bond issue (EUR 250m).

The net inflow of EUR 0.2bn in the account of other investment in the second quarter of 2007 was the result of the stronger growth in domestic sectors' liabilities than in foreign assets. The growth in liabilities was exclusively the consequence of larger foreign borrowing by enterprises. However, due to a concurrent strong decrease in banks' liabilities, the total growth in liabilities from other investment was more than three times lower in the reference period than in the same period last year. The growth in foreign assets was to a large extent accounted for by the growth in banks' deposits abroad.

According to BoP data (cross-currency changes excluded), international reserves fell by EUR 336m in the second quarter of 2007, while in the same period last year they grew by EUR 697m. To a large extent, this was due to the decrease in foreign currency reserve requirements allocated by

Table 12: Composition of	CNB Reserve Assets,	end of period,
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	2004	2005	2006	Aug. 2007
Balance	6,436	7,438	8,725	9,223
Share				
1. Foreign currency reserves	96.9	98.6	93.6	90.2
a) Securities	50.7	48.4	48.1	47.7
b) Total currency and deposits with:	46.2	50.2	45.4	42.5
i) Other national central banks, BIS and IMF	3.6	5.5	2.3	2.1
ii) Banks headquartered outside Croatia	42.6	44.7	43.2	40.4
2. IMF reserve position	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3. SDRs	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
4. Gold	-	-	-	-
5. Reverse repo	3.1	1.3	6.4	9.8

Note: Expressed at the approximate market value. Source: CNB. banks (marginal reserve requirements included). In addition, the CNB did not intervene in the foreign exchange market in the reference period. According to monetary statistics data (cross-currency changes included), international reserves stood at EUR 9.2bn at the end of June and rose by EUR 53m until the end of August. The major contributors to this were two foreign exchange interventions held in July. The largest portion of international reserves was accounted for by debt securities, currency and deposits with foreign banks. Only smaller portion of international reserves was accounted for by reverse repo.

External Debt

After slowing down in the first quarter of 2007, total external debt fell additionally in the second quarter of the year. This reduction came from the fall in banks' debt which was in part offset by their larger direct borrowing. Similar trends were observed in July and August, accompanied by favourable seasonal effects which in that period usually contribute to the decrease in external debt. As a result, the external debt fell at the end of August relative to the end of June.

Gross external debt reached EUR 30.4bn at the end of August, increasing by EUR 1.5bn over the end of 2006. Hence, its annual growth rate dipped from 13.3% at the end of 2006 to 12.7% at the end of August 2007. Broken down by domestic sectors, a significant reduction in banks' foreign liabilities made the largest contribution to the modest slowdown in external debt growth in the first eight months of 2007. However, the external debt of enterprises grew substantially in the same period, partly due to banks encouraging the enterprises to borrow directly from their parent banks and thus avoid meeting the costs of CNB measures aimed at curbing the external borrowing of banks.

At the end of August, the external debt of enterprises (other sectors, including direct investment in enterprises) stood at EUR 15.5bn, increasing by EUR 3.4bn in the first eight months of 2007. By comparison, the external debt of enterprises grew by EUR 1.9bn in the January-August period of 2006. From end-2006 to the end of August 2007, the foreign liabilities of enterprises grew mostly on account of long-term loans, which made up somewhat less than two-thirds of total debt growth. Enterprises also increased their liabilities on short-term loans. Within this, one should also mention the EUR 300m worth of bonds issued by Zagrebački holding. Foreign liabilities of other enterprises and non-banking financial institutions grew the most in the reference period. Owing to its strong growth, the external debt of enterprises accounted for more than a half of the total external debt at the end of August (41.6% at the end of 2006).

In contrast to enterprises, the foreign liabilities of banks fell considerably in the first eight months of 2007. As a result, the external debt of banks, including hybrid and subordinated instruments (i.e. a part of direct investment), dropped by EUR 1.9bn, due to mainly to the fall in liabilities on long-term and short-term loans. The total decrease in bank foreign liabilities amounted to only EUR 18m in the first eight months of 2006, with the major portion of the difference being accounted for by the changes in external debt in the first five

Tabl	e 13	: Gross	s External	Debt b	y Domest	ic Sectors	, end o	f period,	, in million EUR and %	
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	2004	2005	2005 2006	Aug. 2007 -	Str	ucture	Indices	
	2004	2005	2006	Aug. 2007	2006	Aug. 2007	2006/2005	Aug. 2007/2006
1. Government	7,257	7,047	6,662	6,563	22.8	21.4	94.5	98.5
2. Croatian National Bank (CNB)	2	3	3	2	0.0	0.0	97.2	83.2
3. Banks	7,732	8,979	10,223	8,507	35.0	27.8	113.9	83.2
4. Other sectors	5,896	7,264	9,450	12,111	32.4	39.5	130.1	128.2
5. Direct investment	2,046	2,455	2,847	3,453	9.8	11.3	116.0	121.3
o/w: Hybrid and subordinated instruments	314	214	167	23	0.6	0.1	78.1	13.7
Total (1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5)	22,933	25,748	29,184	30,636	100.0	100.0	113.3	105.0

Source: CNB.

Table 14: Current and Contingent Government External Debt, end of period, in million EUR and %

	0004	2005	2006	A	Structure		Indices	
	2004	2005	2006	Aug. 2007 -	2006	Aug. 2007	2006/2005	Aug. 2007/2006
1. Public sector debt	8,580	8,500	8,250	8,728	28.3	28.5	97.1	105.8
2. Publicly guaranteed private sector debt	334	291	204	151	0.7	0.5	70.2	74.1
3. Non-publicly guaranteed private sector debt	14,019	16,956	20,730	21,756	71.0	71.0	122.3	105.0
Total (1 + 2 + 3)	22,933	25,748	29,184	30,636	100.0	100.0	113.3	105.0

Source: CNB.

months of 2006. Specifically, banks increased their foreign liabilities by a substantial EUR 1.4bn in the first five months of 2006 and decreased them by EUR 0.3bn in the same period in 2007. In addition, the seasonally common summer decrease in the external debt of banks was more pronounced in 2007 than in 2006. Hence, the share of the external debt of banks in total external debt dipped from 35.6% at the end of 2006 to 27.8% at the end of August 2007.

The external debt of the government sector continued to trend downward in 2007. Accordingly, the external debt of the government sector fell by EUR 0.1bn in the first eight months of 2007, due to the decrease in liabilities on bonds and, in part, due to the fall in liabilities on long-term loans. During 2007, the government met its regular half-year payment obligations towards the London Club and repaid JPY 40bn worth of Samurai bonds (about EUR 250m). Taken together, these payments exceeded the new issue of CBRD bonds worth EUR 250m. The external debt of the public sector as a whole (in addition to the government sector, the public sector includes the CNB, public enterprises and mixed enterprises) rose on account of the growth in the debt of public enterprises (to a certain extent, this was also the consequence of the issue of bonds by Zagrebački holding) and the debt of mixed enterprises. In contrast, the contingent debt of the government sector (i.e. the publicly guaranteed private sector debt) went down in the reference period.

The share of the euro-denominated debt stood at 75.2% at the end of August 2007, which is an increase of 0.6 percentage points over the end of 2006. To a large extent, this was due to the increase in enterprises' borrowing in the euro currency. In addition to the euro, the kuna-denominated share of the debt also grew in the first eight months of 2007, again largely due to banks' borrowing in the kuna currency. On the other hand, the shares denominated in the Japanese yen and the US dollar shrank on account of the fall in the external debt denominated in these two currencies. The same trend was also observed in the external debt denominated in the Swiss franc.

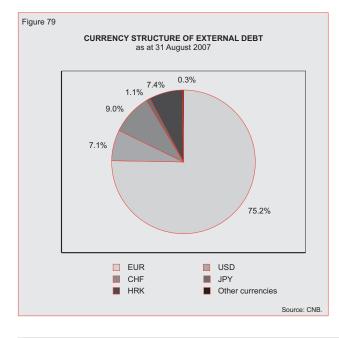


Figure 80 SHORT-TERM EXTERNAL DEBT 16 4 12 oillion HRK 10 3 8 2 6 2 7/02 1/03 7/03 1/04 7/04 1/05 7/05 1/06 2//06 1/07 7/07 1/01 7/01 Short-term debt Short-term debt as % of total debt - right

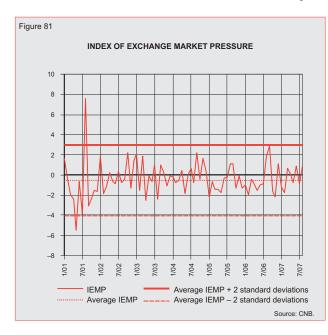
Source: CNB.

As for the maturity structure, the short-term debt fell in the first eight months of the year, mainly on account of the decrease in the short-term foreign liabilities of banks, predominately currency and deposits. In contrast, enterprises increased their short-term liabilities in the reference period. Total short-term external debt stood at EUR 3.8bn at the end of August. It accounted for 12.6% of total external debt, down 2.6 percentage points on the end of 2006.

Although the recent data point to the slowdown in the growth of total external debt, its high absolute and relative levels indicate that its future movement will have to be monitored closely. In case of more pronounced shocks, such as a hike in interest rates, stronger depreciation of the domestic currency or the loss of confidence on the side of foreign investors, the difficulties regarding the settlement of the current debt liabilities might materialise and thus negatively contribute to the financial stability and economic developments in the country in general. In this regard, it is of utmost importance that the government continues to borrow on the domestic market. As far as banks are concerned, it should be pointed out that the restrictions currently applied by the CNB will remain in force and thus probably contribute to further reduction in their external debt. Accordingly, it can be concluded that further changes in the overall external debt stock will for the most part depend on the external borrowing of enterprises to which the measures of the CNB do not apply.

International Liquidity

The index of exchange market pressure (IEMP)²⁵ was favourable in the second quarter of 2007, with its values fluctuating significantly less around the long-term average value in the reference period than in the previous periods. Although the international reserves have declined in the second quar-



25 IEMP is calculated as a weighted average of the monthly growth rate of the kuna/euro exchange rate (at end-period) and the monthly growth rate of gross international reserves (in euro terms), using standard deviations as weights. ter of 2007, mainly due to lower allocations of foreign currency reserve requirements (marginal reserve requirements included) and the absence of foreign exchange interventions, the favourable IEMP movement was the result of the concurrent appreciation of the kuna/euro exchange rate. The July change in the IEMP value is attributed to the monthly rise in gross international reserves (stimulated by two CNB interventions and net inflow of banks' foreign exchange) and to the slight appreciation of the kuna exchange rate. The fall in reserves and the depreciation of the exchange rate in August contributed to a slight rise in the IEMP value, which however remained significantly below the critical level.²⁶

Government Finance

Fiscal Policy Features in the First Half of 2007

Fiscal trends were mostly positive in the first half of 2007. On an annual level, revenues rose twice faster than expenditures, while strong government investment activity continued, reflecting, among others, new investments in road infrastructure. Such trends led to a substantial cut in the general government deficit, so that borrowing requirements reduced. Still, as the revised budget projects that expenditures and acquisition of non-financial assets will pick up pace in the second half of the year, a more complete estimate of public finance will be possible only when data for the entire 2007 become available.

In early July 2007, the Croatian parliament adopted the Government's proposal on the revision of the 2007 government budget. The main reasons for the budget revision are the substantial revenue increase, which resulted from strong economic activity early in 2007, and the need to revise the amount and structure of expenditures. The Parliament also adopted revised financial plans of extrabudgetary users. The stated revision cut the consolidated general government deficit target from the originally planned 2.8% to 2.6% of GDP for 2007.

In July 2007, the Croatian government also adopted Economic and Fiscal Policy Guidelines for the period 2008-2010, which define objectives for the next three-year period. The reforms planned should cut the general government deficit and public debt to 0.5% and 37.1% respectively of GDP in 2010.

In line with the Act on the Enforcement of the Decision of the Constitutional Court of the Republic of Croatia of 12 May 1998²⁷ and the Pensioners' Fund Act,²⁸ the year 2007 has seen the continued repayment of the debt to pensioners. Although the related financial transactions are not included in the budget, they have important macroeconomic as well as fiscal implications as the government will have to ensure additional HRK 3.4bn for this purpose in 2007. Within this

²⁶ The upper and lower critical levels are set as the average value of the IEMP increased (decreased) by two standard deviations. The value of the index above the critical levels indicates potential difficulties in the settlement of international payments.

²⁷ OG 105/2004.

²⁸ OG 93/2005.

amount, HRK 2.4bn relates to the payment of the last two instalments to the pensioners who opted for the so-called accelerated debt recovery at a 50% discount, some HRK 0.7bn will be needed for the payment of the first instalment to those pensioners who opted for the entire debt amount to be paid in the 6-year period and some HRK 0.3bn should be paid to beneficiaries of survivors' and highest pensions, whose rights to debt repayment have also been recognised.²⁹ The funds for the first 2007 instalment, which was paid in June (of HRK 1.4bn), were mostly raised by a loan that Hrvatska poštanska banka granted to the government. The funds for the second instalment, which is to be paid in December (of HRK 2.0bn), and for the repayment of the stated bank loan will be raised through the public offering of T-HT shares.

Consolidated General Government Revenues

According to preliminary MoF data, consolidated general government revenues reached HRK 59.9bn in the first six months of 2007, up as much as HRK 7bn or 13.1% over the same period last year. The largest contribution to the increase came from VAT, social contribution and profit tax revenues, with strong upturns recorded also in income tax revenues and revenues from administrative fees.

Tax revenues, which amounted to HRK 35.6bn in the first six months, increased by 12.7% on an annual level, slightly more than in the same period last year. VAT revenues, which prevail in the structure of tax revenues and account for somewhat over 50% of the total, amounted to HRK 18bn in the observed period, up 11.2% on an annual level. This high growth rate partly reflects the tremendous rise in the retail trade turnover, and particularly the continuation of imports at high growth rates as almost 3/4 of these revenues refer to VAT paid for imports.

Excise revenues, the second most important source of tax revenues, amounted to HRK 5.7bn in the observed period, up 7.5% over the same period last year. The major share in the structure of total excise revenues was accounted for by excises on refined petroleum products (to ensure comparability of data with the previous periods, these data comprise revenues from levies for public road construction and maintenance), which increased by 4.9% on an annual level in the observed period. However, the rise in revenues from excises on refined petroleum products should slow down in the rest of the year due to the Government's ordinance, in force since May 2007, which reduced excises on all types of non-leaded petrol by 25 lipa per litre.³⁰ In addition to revenues from excises on refined petroleum products, the major contribution to the total increase in excise revenues came from excises on tobacco products, with revenues from excises on cars also growing strongly due to a high annual increase in the value of road vehicle imports.

Profit tax revenues, which have been completely allocated to the government budget since January 2007 due to the amended Act on the Financing of Local and Regional SelfGovernment Units,³¹ went up 25.2% in the first half of the year, to HRK 5.3bn. As tax payers pay advance profit tax based on the tax return for the previous tax period, this huge growth in profit tax revenues reflects favourable performance of Croatian enterprises in 2006. Income tax revenues, certain portions of which are distributed among the municipality, city, county and government budgets, amounted to HRK 4.5bn in the first six months of 2007, up 13.4% over the same period last year. Among others, this growth was the result of the increase in the number of the employed and the annual rise in the average monthly gross wage. Revenues from social contributions, including health insurance contributions, pension insurance contributions, employment contributions and contributions for the insurance against work injuries, went up 10.5%, to HRK 18bn.

Other revenues, including, inter alia, property income (interest and dividends), revenues from administrative fees and income from the sales of goods and services, totalled HRK 6.2bn in the January-June period of 2007, up 22.6% over the first half of 2006. Looking at individual categories, the strongest rise was recorded by revenues from dividends, administrative fees and rent. Other revenues are also expected to grow strongly in the rest of the year due to the September payment of extraordinary T-HT dividends of HRK 2.41bn, 42% of which was allocated to the government.

Consolidated General Government Expenditures

Consolidated general government expenditures totalled HRK 55.3bn in the first six months of 2007, rising by 6.7% over the same period last year. The main sources of the increase were expenditures on employee compensation, social benefits and the use of goods and services, whereas interest expense and expenditures on subsidies slightly decreased.

Expenditures for social benefits stood at HRK 23.2bn in the first half of 2007, growing annually by 5.3%. Social security benefits, including the majority of pensions and health care expenditures (hospital health care, primary health care and medicaments on prescription) amounted to HRK 16.2bn, up 5.6% over the same period last year. Such developments were partly the outcome of the annual rise in the average pension in the first half of the year (0.9%), slight growth in the number of pension beneficiaries (0.5%) and the major upturn in health care expenditures, primarily those related to hospital health care. Social assistance benefits, including child allowances, disability pensions, Croatian war veterans' permanent rights and pension supplements amounted to HRK 6.9bn in the observed period, up 4% on an annual level.

Expenditures on employee compensation stood at HRK 15.1bn in the first half of 2007, HRK 12.9bn of which related to wages and salaries of civil servants and employees, and the rest related to social contributions paid from the government budget. Compared with the same period last year, expenditures on employee compensation rose by 9.4%, reflecting a slight increase in the number of civil servants and employees (0.9%) and growth in the average public sector wage (7.6%).

29 OG 19/2007.

³⁰ Ordinance on the change of excises on refined petroleum products (OG 44/2007).

The gross wage increase partly reflects a 6% increase in the calculation base for public administration wages compared with the previous year's base.

Expenditures on the use of goods and services (inclusive of expenditures on telecommunication, postal, transport, intellectual and personal services and expenses on materials and energy) amounted to HRK 6.4bn in the first half of 2007, rising by 11.5% over the same period last year.

In the January-June period, expenditures on subsidies amounted to HRK 3.4bn, mostly holding steady relative to the same period last year. Subsidies to public corporations, which are predominated by subsidies to the Croatian Railways, remained flat. In contrast, subsidies to private enterprises slightly declined in the observed period, to HRK 1.7bn, down 3.1% compared with the first half of 2006. The major portion of these subsidies was channelled to private farmers, craftsmen and small and medium-sized entrepreneurs.

In the January-June period of 2007, interest expense stood at HRK 3.1bn, of which HRK 1.6bn, or 10% less than in the same period of 2006, related to foreign interest expense, which fell due to a reduction in general government external debt. In the same period, domestic interest expense increased by 6.1%, amounting to HRK 1.5bn.

Operating Balance and Transactions in Non-Financial Assets and Financial Assets and Liabilities

The net operating balance or the difference between revenues and expenditures at the consolidated general government level was a positive HRK 4.6bn, four times more than the net operating balance in the first six months of 2006. Government investments continued to grow strongly in the same period so that its non-financial assets, which according to the GFS 2001 methodology include, inter alia, buildings, roads, highways, bridges and land, increased by HRK 3.9bn. Expenditures on the acquisition of non-financial assets reached HRK 4.5bn, reflecting to a large extent the continuance of relatively strong government activities related to the construction of road infrastructure. The same period saw an increase in the disposal of non-financial assets, resulting primarily from the increased disposal of strategic stocks, whereas the disposal of fixed assets levelled off compared with 2006.

According to MoF data, financial assets of the consolidated general government sharply increased (HRK 1.4bn) in the observed period. This was almost entirely the result of the rise in domestic financial assets, whereas foreign financial assets recorded no major changes. The net increase in domestic financial assets was due to an extraordinary upturn in money and deposits. As the government budget and extrabudgetary users ran a surplus in the observed period, their surplus funds were deposited with commercial banks and the CNB and are to be used in the rest of the year when expenditures and public investments are projected to pick up pace.

In the first six months of 2007, consolidated general government liabilities increased by HRK 0.6bn, with domestic liabilities, in contrast with foreign liabilities, steadily trending up. Developments in liabilities were largely the result of new domestic and foreign borrowing of the CM whose positive net operating balance was insufficient for new investment financing. Liabilities decreased on the budgetary central government level as a result of foreign loan repayment, whereas domestic liabilities continued to trend up in the observed period.

Consolidated General Government Balance on a Cash Basis

The consolidated general government deficit, exclusive of capital revenues (on a cash basis, GFS 1986), stood at HRK 0.3bn in the first six months of 2007. Extrabudgetary users recorded the largest deficit (HRK 1bn), followed by local and regional self-government units (HRK 0.1bn), while budgetary central government ran a surplus (HRK 0.7bn).

Compared with the same period of 2006, the deficit was cut by as much as HRK 3.6bn. The major fiscal adjustment was achieved on the budgetary central government level. Following a HRK 2.3bn deficit recorded in the first six months of 2006, a surplus of HRK 0.7bn recorded in the same period this year was mostly the result of the revenue increase outpacing the expenditure increase. The deficit of extrabudgetary users was cut by HRK 0.4bn, entirely due to the reduc-

Table 15: Operating Balance and Transactions in Non-Financial Assets and Financial Assets and Liabilities, GFS 2001, in million HRK

		Consolidated gene	eral government
	Jan.–Jun. 2006	Jan.–Jun. 2007	Jan.–Jun. 2007 / Jan.–Jun. 2006
1. Change in net worth (net operating balance)	1,131.2	4,617.3	408
1.1. Revenue	52,963	59,914	113
1.2. Expense	51,831	55,297	107
2. Change in net non-financial assets	3,788.0	3,878.4	102
2.1. Acquisition of non-financial assets	4,266	4,504	106
2.2. Disposal of non-financial assets	479	626	131
3. Net lending (+) / borrowing (–) (1–2)	-2,656.8	738.9	-
3. Financing (5–4) Transactions in financial assets and liabilities	2,656.8	-738.9	-
4. Change in financial assets	-459.4	1,386.2	-
4.1. Domestic	-462	1,378	-
4.2. Foreign	3	8	300
5. Change in liabilities	2,197.4	647.3	29
5.1. Domestic	5,246	1,088	21
5.2. Foreign	-3,049	-441	14

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Table 16: Consolidated General Government Balance, on a cash basis, in million HRK

			Jan.–Jun. 2007		
	Budgetary central government	Extrabudgetary users	Consolidated central government	Units of local and regional self-government	Consolidated general government
Revenue ^a	51,563	3,688	53,686	6,967	59,914
Total expenditure and net lending	50,838	4,658	53,930	7,056	60,248
Expense ^a	49,702	2,543	50,680	5,355	55,297
Acquisition of non-financial assets ^a	763	2,058	2,821	1,683	4,504
Net acquisition of financial assets – loans ^a	266	37	304	8	312
Acquisition of shares and other equity ^a	107	20	127	7	134
Acquisition of securities other than shares ^a	0	0	0	0	0
Acquisition of other accounts receivable ^a	0	0	0	1	1
GFS 1986 balance	725	-970	-245	-89	-334

^a GFS 2001. Source: MoF

tion in the CR deficit. By contrast, the CM deficit increased by almost 16% on an annual level in the January-June period of 2007 due to strong growth in interest expense and expenditures on the use of goods and services. A slight deficit expansion was recorded at the local government level.

Government Debt

CNB data show that general government debt, including CBRD debt, stood at HRK 113.6bn at end-June 2007, 56.6% of which was accounted for by domestic debt and the rest was accounted for by external debt. Debt increased by HRK 3.2bn from end-2006, which is much more than both the consolidated general government deficit in the same period and the increase in general government liabilities according to MoF statistics. Among others, such diverse debt and deficit dynamics reflect the fact that the consolidated general government according to MoF statistics excludes the CBRD.³² In addition, the budgetary treatment of the pensioners' debt repayment also adds to divergent developments in the deficit and general government debt. As the debt repayment is not treated as the budgetary expenditure, the short-term loan from Hrvatska poštanska banka, which was used to finance this year's first tranche of the pensioners' debt repayment,

Table 17: Government Debt, end of period, in million HRK

has not been included in the budget. The MoF considers the debt repayment as the settlement of a liability created in the 1990s and hence believes that it should be reported as a part of the 1990s' budgetary deficit, and not as the deficit of the current period of debt repayment. On the other hand, Hrvatska poštanska banka has reported this loan as a claim on the government, so that the CNB statistics included the loan in general government debt.

Potential government debt based on government guarantees issued expanded by HRK 0.8bn in the first six months of 2007, much more compared with a slight increase recorded in the same period of 2006. If domestic and foreign guarantees were added to general government debt, the total general government debt stood at HRK 128.5bn at the end of the first half of 2007.

Domestic General Government Debt

As shown by CNB data, domestic general government debt amounted to HRK 63.9bn at end-June 2007, a rise of HRK 2.8bn over the end-2006 balance. According to government level, almost 90% of domestic general government debt was accounted for at the level of the Republic of Croatia, slightly less than 10% was accounted for by central govern-

		Ste	ock		Cha	inge
	Dec. 2005	Jun. 2006	Dec. 2006	Jun. 2007	JanJun. 2006	Jan.–Jun. 2007
A. General government debt (1+2)	101,426.8	102,717.4	102,683.2	104,445.9	1,290.7	1,762.7
1. Domestic general government debt	56,046.5	61,153.7	61,077.4	63,869.4	5,107.2	2,792.1
1.1. Domestic debt of the Republic of Croatia	50,559.5	55,440.1	54,216.7	56,616.2	4,880.6	2,399.5
1.2. Domestic debt of central government funds	3,935.0	4,296.4	5,168.2	5,540.7	361.4	372.4
1.3. Domestic debt of local government	1,551.9	1,417.2	1,692.4	1,712.6	-134.7	20.2
2. External general government debt	45,380.3	41,563.7	41,605.9	40,576.5	-3,816.5	-1,029.4
2.1. External debt of the Republic of Croatia	36,414.5	32,637.6	32,540.0	31,159.9	-3,777.0	-1,380.1
2.2. External debt of central government funds	8,749.8	8,769.7	8,913.4	9,244.3	19.9	330.9
2.3. External debt of local government	216.0	156.5	152.5	172.3	-59.5	19.8
B. CBRD debt (1+2)	7,139.4	7,012.1	7,688.2	9,125.1	-127.3	1,436.8
1. CBRD domestic debt	534.2	659.4	293.2	357.9	125.2	64.8
2. CBRD external debt	6,605.1	6,352.7	7,395.1	8,767.1	-252.5	1,372.0
Supplement:						
C. Total guarantees issued by the Republic of Croatia	12,383.8	12,395.4	14,085.9	14,935.8	11.7	850.0
1. Domestic	5,268.5	5,646.0	7,252.3	8,157.9	377.6	905.6
2. Foreign	7,115.3	6,749.4	6,833.5	6,777.9	-365.9	-55.6

32 In the CNB statistics, the institutional sector of the central government includes the CBRD.

Table 18: Domestic General Government Debt, end of period, in million HRK

		Sto	ock		Cha	nge
	Dec. 2005	Jun. 2006	Dec. 2006	Jun. 2007	JanJun. 2006	Jan.–Jun. 2007
1. Domestic general government debt	56,046.5	61,153.7	61,077.4	63,869.4	5,107.2	2,792.1
1.1. Domestic debt of the Republic of Croatia	50,559.5	55,440.1	54,216.7	56,616.2	4,880.6	2,399.5
Treasury bills	12,533.4	12,647.4	12,662.2	12,956.3	114.0	294.1
Bonds	30,716.0	31,025.6	34,827.9	36,732.6	309.6	1,904.6
Money market instruments	0.9	-	-	-	-0.9	-
Credits from banks	7,309.2	11,767.1	6,726.6	6,927.4	4,457.9	200.8
1.2. Domestic debt of central government funds	3,935.0	4,296.4	5,168.2	5,540.7	361.4	372.4
Bonds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Credits from banks	3,935.0	4,296.4	5,168.2	5,540.7	361.4	372.4
1.3. Domestic debt of local government	1,551.9	1,417.2	1,692.4	1,712.6	-134.7	20.2
Supplement: Issued guarantees	5,268.5	6,226.3	7,252.3	8,050.9	957.8	798.6

Source: CNB

ment funds, and the rest by local government units.

The major portion of the debt rise related to the increase in debt arising from bonds issued, and a lesser portion related to loans received and T-bills. A new kuna bond worth a nominal HRK 2.5bn and maturing in ten years was issued in the domestic market in February 2007. The remaining part of the increase in domestic general government debt in the observed period was attributable to T-bills issued (HRK 0.3bn) and loans received from domestic banks (HRK 0.2bn). In line with the public debt management strategy, these trends confirm the government's intention to increase the share of long-term and domestic currency denominated debt in the total debt structure.

CBRD domestic debt stood at HRK 0.3bn at end-June 2007, down HRK 0.1bn compared with end-2006 due to the decrease in liabilities arising from bonds issued.

External General Government Debt

External general government debt stood at HRK 40.6bn at end-June 2007, which was a decrease of HRK 1bn compared with end-2006. At the Republic of Croatia level, external debt was reduced by HRK 1.4bn as a result of the EUR 30m payment to the London Club for series A bonds and interest payments on other international government bond issues. Also decreased were liabilities arising from foreign loans, inter alia, due to the repayment of regular liabilities to the Paris Club. In addition, the strengthening of the kuna against the euro, US dollar and Japanese yen led to a statistical decrease in the debt. At the same time, external debt of central government funds increased by HRK 0.3bn compared with end-2006, mostly because of new borrowings by the CM. CBRD external debt increased by HRK 1.5bn in the first half of 2007 due to the rise in liabilities arising from bonds issued. Specifically, the CBRD issued EUR 250m worth of bonds in the foreign market.

Trends in July 2007

Government finance data at the consolidated general government level are available on a quarterly basis so that the budget outturn data for July 2007 are analysed at the consolidated central government level. MoF data suggest that a steep rise in revenues recorded in the first half of 2007 continued into July. Consolidated central government revenues stood at HRK 9.9bn in July, up 12.6% over the same month last year. This was mostly the outcome of the strong upturn in profit tax, VAT and social contribution revenues. From the cumulative standpoint, consolidated central government revenues stood at HRK 63.5bn in the first seven months of 2007, up 13.5% compared with the same period of 2006.

Consolidated central government expenditures stood at HRK 8.7bn in July, up 7.9% over July 2006. The major impetus to total expenditure growth was provided by the dynamics of expenditures on employee compensation, social benefits and the use of goods and services. From the cumulative standpoint, consolidated central government expenditures stood at HRK 59.4bn in the January-July period of 2007, up 6.7% over the same period last year. In addition to these expenditures, the government spent large amounts for the acquisition of non-financial assets (HRK 3.8bn in the first seven months of 2007).

A huge upturn in revenues coupled with moderate expenditure growth and the continuation of strong public in-

Table 19: External General Government Debt, end of period, in million HRK

		Sto	ock		Cha	inge
	Dec. 2005	Jun. 2006	Dec. 2006	Jun. 2007	Jan.–Jun. 2006	Jan.–Jun. 2007
1. External general government debt	45,380.3	41,563.7	41,605.9	40,576.5	-3,816.5	-1,029.4
1.1. External debt of the Republic of Croatia	36,414.5	32,637.6	32,540.0	31,159.9	-3,777.0	-1,380.1
Bonds	27,020.1	22,794.0	22,836.9	21,950.1	-4,226.1	-886.8
Credits	9,394.5	9,843.6	9,703.1	9,209.8	449.1	-493.3
1.2. External debt of central government funds	8,749.8	8,769.7	8,913.4	9,244.3	19.9	330.9
Credits	8,749.8	8,769.7	8,913.4	9,244.3	19.9	330.9
1.3. External debt of local government	216.0	156.5	152.5	172.3	-59.5	19.8
Credits	216.0	156.5	152.5	172.3	-59.5	19.8
Supplement: Issued guarantees	7,186.7	6,410.9	6,847.2	6,859.3	-775.8	12.0

vestments in the first seven months of 2007 led to the consolidated central government deficit (on a cash basis, GFS 1986) of HRK 0.2bn, down HRK 3.7bn relative to the same period last year. The deficit was financed by domestic borrowing, with a portion of thus raised funds being used to settle due foreign liabilities.

Central government debt, excluding CBRD debt, stood at HRK 101.9bn at end-July, down HRK 0.6bn relative to end-June, but HRK 1.1bn up relative to end-2006. Domestic central government debt increased by HRK 1.4bn on a monthly level in July 2007, almost entirely in consequence of new loans received from domestic banks. The government obtained a short-term foreign currency loan of EUR 244.5m from a domestic bank syndicate in July to repay due Samurai bonds. The government thus continues to refinance its due foreign liabilities by domestic market funds, in an effort to reduce its external exposure. This year as well, such efforts have been supported by the central bank, which temporarily amended the Decision on the minimum required amount of foreign currency claims. The amendments to the said Decision have enabled each bank to include the amount with which it participates in the loan in its minimum required foreign currency claims. On the other hand, liabilities based on issued bonds were almost stagnant in July, although the government then issued 10-year kuna bonds worth HRK 3bn. The funds thus raised were used to repay EUR 400m of 3-year domestic eurobonds. External central government debt shrank by HRK 2bn in July as a result of the repayment of JPY 40bn (around HRK 1.7bn) worth of Samurai bonds and the second regular repayment due to the London Club. Statistical Survey

Classification and Presentation of Data on Claims and Liabilities

Data on financial institutions' claims and liabilities are classified according to institutional sectors and financial instruments. Institutional sectors are: financial institutions, central government and funds, other domestic sectors and foreign sector.

The financial institutions sector includes the following subsectors: monetary authorities (the central bank), banks, other banking institutions and non-banking financial institutions. The central bank is the Croatian National Bank (CNB). Banks are institutions to which the Croatian National Bank has issued a license to perform banking business services in accordance with the Banking Act, including savings banks during a transition period. Data on banks do not include claims and liabilities of banks undergoing bankruptcy proceedings, nor former branches of banks headquartered outside the Republic of Croatia. Other banking institutions comprise housing savings banks, savings and loan cooperatives and investment funds. Non-banking financial institutions are financial institutions not classified as banks or other banking institutions (e.g. insurance companies, pension funds).

The central government and funds consists of two subsectors, the Republic of Croatia and central government funds. Until December 2003, the subsector Republic of Croatia included government authorities, comprising the Croatian Roads, the Croatian Motorways and the State Agency for Deposit Insurance and Bank Rehabilitation, and the subsector central government funds included the Croatian Institute for Health Insurance, the Croatian Pension Insurance Administration, the Croatian Employment Service, the Croatian Privatisation Fund, the Croatian Waters and the Croatian Bank for Reconstruction and Development.

Since January 2004, the Croatian Roads, the Croatian Highways, and the State Agency for Deposit Insurance and Bank Rehabilitation have been reclassified, from the subsector Republic of Croatia to the subsector central government funds.

Other domestic sectors include local government authorities, public and other enterprises and households, including craftsmen and non-profit institutions providing services to households. The subsector other enterprises also comprises banks undergoing bankruptcy proceedings. In some tables other domestic sectors are divided into the following subsectors: local government (which comprises units of local and regional self-government), public and other enterprises, and households (including craftsmen and non-profit institutions).

Foreign sector includes foreign legal and natural persons.

All data on claims and liabilities refer to balances at the end of the reporting period. Foreign currency items are reported in their kuna equivalent at the CNB's midpoint exchange rate at the end of the reporting period.

Table A1: Monetary and Credit Aggregates

end of period, million kuna and %

						Net				Monthly rates of growth				
Year	Month	Reserve money	Money M1	Money M1a	Broadest money M4	domestic assets	Domestic credit	Reserve money	Money M1	Money M1a	Broadest money M4	Net domestic assets	Domestic credit	
1994	December	4,714.2	6,642.6	6,996.7	17,679.9	16,540.1	27,661.5	11.73	2.20	3.83	2.26	11.84	3.45	
1995	December	6,744.1	8,234.9	8,503.2	24,623.0	21,576.3	32,819.5	2.97	0.89	1.54	3.41	1.00	1.88	
1996	December	8,770.4	11,368.9	11,494.9	36,701.1	24,960.4	33,831.2	11.35	7.83	7.67	4.88	-5.41	-11.61	
1997	December	10,346.1	13,731.4	13,848.8	50,742.0	33,829.0	48,863.4	7.86	3.93	3.85	2.16	4.98	4.96	
1998	December	9,954.2	13,531.4	13,615.2	57,340.3	44,626.8	59,792.0	7.24	6.92	6.59	2.51	3.73	0.25	
1999	December ^a	10,310.0	13,858.9	13,965.7	56,659.3	40,003.8	55,875.8	4.53	5.46	5.48	2.28	0.35	-4.58	
2000	December	11,717.3	18,030.3	18,256.4	73,061.1	44,043.9	60,883.8	7.32	10.04	9.89	3.66	10.46	2.66	
2001	December	17,803.2	23,703.5	23,936.5	106,071.4	57,410.0	74,964.5	8.01	13.00	11.96	11.65	3.40	1.16	
2002	December	23,027.9	30,869.8	31,876.7	116,141.8	83,324.4	97,463.7	10.72	6.11	6.79	1.65	7.92	2.15	
2003	December	30,586.2	33,888.7	34,630.9	128,893.1	96,121.7	111,661.4	8.90	1.78	1.93	0.14	3.11	0.66	
2004	December	33,924.4	34,562.1	35,186.5	139,947.7	108,205.1	127,308.6	8.69	2.86	2.68	0.23	2.15	1.99	
2005	December	40,390.8	38,817.1	39,855.4	154,647.0	131,343.2	149,168.3	9.38	4.34	3.87	-0.02	1.84	1.94	
2006	September	42,368.1	44,047.0	44,822.7	176,751.9	151,194.8	172,299.2	0.38	-2.10	-2.14	1.46	1.69	2.05	
	October	43,414.6	45,502.0	46,358.9	180,585.5	150,555.8	174,595.6	2.47	3.30	3.43	2.17	-0.42	1.33	
	November	44,907.1	46,322.2	47,219.7	179,636.1	149,780.9	178,048.7	3.44	1.80	1.86	-0.53	-0.51	1.98	
	December	46,331.2	48,521.0	49,141.7	182,458.6	154,844.1	183,379.5	3.17	4.75	4.07	1.57	3.38	2.99	
2007	January	43,729.2	45,965.6	46,605.6	183,027.9	154,799.8	184,322.9	-5.62	-5.27	-5.16	0.31	-0.03	0.51	
	February	44,284.7	45,410.8	46,089.0	182,698.5	154,776.8	186,515.0	1.27	-1.21	-1.11	-0.18	-0.01	1.19	
	March	45,565.2	46,753.3	47,411.2	185,021.5	155,897.7	191,582.3	2.89	2.96	2.87	1.27	0.72	2.72	
	April	45,589.9	47,852.4	48,495.5	187,054.2	156,417.0	194,132.5	0.05	2.35	2.29	1.10	0.33	1.33	
	May	46,564.7	48,677.0	49,327.4	189,643.1	159,479.1	196,560.0	2.14	1.72	1.72	1.38	1.96	1.25	
	June	48,416.1	51,560.7	52,188.8	194,446.1	162,586.3	199,620.1	3.98	5.92	5.80	2.53	1.95	1.56	
	July	48,931.4	54,142.1	54,918.2	201,254.3	163,498.0	199,132.8	1.06	5.01	5.23	3.50	0.56	-0.24	
	August	48,791.2	53,735.4	54,528.0	207,386.8	163,275.5	200,401.2	-0.29	-0.75	-0.71	3.05	-0.14	0.64	

^a Domestic credit decreased by a one-off HRK 2,759.4m.

Table A1: Monetary and Credit Aggregates

The table shows data on some basic monetary and credit aggregates, including their monthly growth rates. In September 1999, all the monetary aggregates were revised. In previous publications of the CNB, data on claims and obligations of savings banks were not included in the compilation of the monetary aggregates.

Reserve money is taken over in its entirety from the Monetary Authorities Accounts (Table C1).

Money (M1) is defined in the same way as the corresponding item in the Monetary Survey (Table B1). It comprises currency outside banks, deposits with the CNB by other banking institutions and other domestic sectors as well as banks' demand deposits. Money (M1a) comprises currency outside banks and banks' demand deposits, increased by the demand deposits of the central government and funds with banks. Broadest money (M4) comprises Money (M1), savings and time deposits, foreign currency deposits as well as bonds and money market instruments (all components are taken over from the Monetary Survey, Table B1).

Net domestic assets are defined as a difference between total liquid assets and foreign assets (net).

Domestic credit comprises banks' claims on other domestic sectors, other banking institutions and non-banking financial institutions.

In May 1999, bankruptcy proceedings have been initiated against several banks so their assets and liabilities are excluded from monetary statistics. In April 1999, those banks' share in monetary aggregate M1 amounted to HRK 259.3m and in monetary aggregate M4 amounted to HRK 4,035.8m. Data for June 1999 are comparable with data for July 1999 if Domestic credit is increased by HRK 3,513.5m.

Table B1: Monetary Survey

end of period, million kuna

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006		20	007	
	Dec. ^a	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Mar.	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.
ASSETS										
1. Foreign assets (net)	48,661.3	32,817.4	32,771.4	31,742.6	23,303.8	27,614.5	29,123.8	31,859.8	37,756.3	44,111.3
2. Domestic credit	87,637.6	112,518.9	126,372.0	141,278.1	168,427.7	200,328.9	209,243.1	215,740.2	218,028.5	219,778.8
2.1. Claims on central government and funds (net)	12,673.1	15,055.2	14,710.6	13,969.6	19,259.4	16,949.4	17,660.8	16,120.0	18,895.7	19,377.6
2.2. Claims on other domestic sectors	74,513.0	96,329.0	110,467.8	125,790.7	147,414.3	181,031.9	189,738.0	197,749.9	197,408.8	198,568.8
2.3. Claims on other banking institutions	170.2	219.5	431.8	624.0	592.2	1,029.5	675.0	476.8	454.8	570.4
2.4. Claims on non-banking financial institutions	281.4	915.3	761.8	893.9	1,161.8	1,318.1	1,169.3	1,393.5	1,269.1	1,262.1
Total (1+2)	136,298.9	145,336.3	159,143.4	173,020.7	191,731.5	227,943.3	238,366.9	247,599.9	255,784.8	263,890.1
LIABILITIES										
1. Money	23,703.5	30,869.8	33,888.7	34,562.1	38,817.1	48,521.0	46,753.3	51,560.7	54,142.1	53,735.4
2. Savings and time deposits	10,213.1	13,001.1	18,370.7	22,479.2	27,992.1	44,836.8	46,765.9	49,832.0	50,364.3	51,297.6
3. Foreign currency deposits	71,836.9	72,054.6	76,035.3	81,742.9	86,760.8	88,256.7	90,699.6	92,041.8	95,950.9	101,717.9
4. Bonds and money market instruments	317.8	216.3	598.4	1,163.5	1,077.0	844.1	802.7	1,011.6	797.1	635.8
5. Restricted and blocked deposits	1,926.2	1,729.5	1,721.6	2,067.0	2,092.3	2,504.5	2,753.5	2,757.9	2,499.2	2,401.0
6. Other items (net)	28,301.4	27,465.1	28,528.7	31,006.1	34,992.2	42,980.2	50,592.0	50,396.0	52,031.3	54,102.3
Total (1+2+3+4+5+6)	136,298.9	145,336.3	159,143.4	173,020.7	191,731.5	227,943.3	238,366.9	247,599.9	255,784.8	263,890.1

^a The first revaluation of securities with the effect of HRK 165.5m was conducted within the CNB's international reserves as at 31 December 2001. Accrued interest on deposits, with the effect of HRK 63.8m, was included in the international reserves as at 31 December 2001 as well. The CNB's foreign liabilities increased by HRK 6.4m on the basis of accrued interest, while liabilities on the basis of required foreign currency reserves increased by HRK 8.6m.

Table B1: Monetary Survey

The monetary survey shows consolidated data from the Monetary Authorities Accounts (Table C1) and Banks' Accounts (Table D1).

Foreign assets (net) are the difference between total foreign assets and total foreign liabilities of the CNB and banks.

Domestic credit is the sum of corresponding items from Monetary Authorities Accounts and Banks' Accounts. Claims on central government and funds are reported on a net basis, i.e. decreased by central government and funds' deposits with the CNB and banks.

Money is the sum of currency outside banks, deposits by other

banking institutions with the CNB, deposits by other domestic sectors with the CNB and banks' demand deposits (item Demand deposits in Banks' Accounts, Table D1).

Items Savings and time deposits, Foreign currency deposits as well as Bonds and money market instruments are entirely taken over from the Banks' Accounts, while item Restricted and blocked deposits represents the sum of corresponding items from the Monetary Authorities Accounts (excluding banks' blocked deposits with the CNB) and Banks' Accounts. Other items (net) are unclassified liabilities decreased by unclassified assets.

		Total		Reporting ban	ks classified a	iccording to th	eir total assets		– Total number		ngs banks clas ing to their tota	
Year	Month	number of reporting banks	Less than 100 million kuna	100 million kuna to less than 500 million kuna		1 billion kuna to less than 2 billion kuna		10 billion kuna and over	of reporting savings banks	Less than 10 million kuna	10 million kuna to less than 100 million kuna	100 million kuna and over
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
1994	December	50	13	21	6	6	2	2	33	22	9	2
1995	December	53	15	20	7	7	2	2	21	7	13	1
1996	December	57	10	26	6	9	4	2	22	10	11	1
1997	December	60	4	28	9	8	9	2	33	12	18	3
1998	December	60	3	26	8	11	10	2	33	4	25	4
1999	December	53	4	23	7	7	10	2	30	5	21	4
2000	December	45	3	15	9	6	10	2	29	5	19	5
2001	December	44	3	13	7	7	10	4	21	4	12	5
2002	December	46	4	13	7	9	8	5	10	3	5	2
2003	December	42	2	13	8	5	8	6	7	3	2	2
2004	December	39	1	12	9	6	5	6	6	3	3	_
2005	December	36	1	10	6	8	5	6	3	2	1	-
2006	September	35	2	7	7	7	4	8	3	2	1	-
	October	35	2	7	4	10	4	8	3	2	1	_
	November	35	2	7	5	9	4	8	3	2	1	_
	December	35	2	6	5	10	4	8	3	2	1	_
2007	January	35	2	7	4	10	4	8	3	2	1	-
	February	35	2	7	4	10	4	8	3	2	1	_
	March	35	2	6	5	10	4	8	3	2	1	-
	April	35	2	6	5	10	4	8	3	2	1	_
	May	35	2	5	5	11	4	8	3	2	1	-
	June	35	2	5	5	11	3	9	2	1	1	-
	July	35	2	5	5	10	4	9	2	1	1	_
	August	35	2	5	5	9	5	9	2	1	1	_

Table B2: Number of Reporting Banks and Savings Banks and their Classification by Total Assets

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which have not initiated winding-up proceedings.

The table shows the total number of banks and savings banks during the transition period which report monthly to the CNB. Their operations are shown in the Banks' Accounts. Monetary statistics includes reporting institutions under winding-up and, until February 2005, institutions whose operating licences have been revoked, but Special reporting requirements applied to savings banks until June 1995. Savings banks were not legally obliged to report on their operations, so that data up to June 1995 relate only to those savings banks that reported voluntarily to the CNB. From July 1995 on, the data cover all registered savings banks.

The table also shows the classification of reporting banks and savings banks according to their total assets.

Table C1: Monetary Authorities Accounts

end of period, million kuna

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006		20	007	
	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Mar.	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.
ASSETS										
1. Foreign assets	39,308.9	42,058.8	50,118.6	49,373.4	54,862.5	64,088.2	70,279.2	66,973.2	68,683.3	67,507.0
1.1. Gold	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1.2. Holdings of SDRs	905.8	17.4	5.0	4.8	6.3	5.3	5.7	5.9	9.2	5.3
1.3. Reserve position in the IMF	1.8	1.6	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3
1.4. Currency and demand deposits with foreign banks	6.1	6.4	5.8	5.7	7.7	7.2	26.3	26.4	26.1	26.1
1.5. Time deposits with foreign banks	25,565.9	28,183.2	25,580.7	24,337.7	28,274.1	33,243.0	38,638.0	35,769.7	36,863.8	35,280.8
1.6. Securities in f/c	12,829.3	13,850.0	24,525.5	25,023.7	26,573.0	30,831.2	31,607.9	31,169.8	31,782.9	32,193.4
1.7. Non-convertible foreign exchange	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2. Claims on central government and funds	-	0.5	1.4	3.3	1.4	0.9	-	-	-	0.8
2.1. Claims in kuna	-	0.5	1.4	3.3	1.4	0.9	-	-	-	0.8
2.2. Claims in f/c	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3. Claims on other domestic sectors	229.2	110.6	93.6	82.9	73.4	64.0	64.0	64.0	64.0	68.0
4. Claims on banks	18.5	17.9	972.0	408.9	4,215.6	3,911.5	2,639.5	5,670.4	4,954.3	4,915.6
4.1. Credits to banks	16.6	17.6	968.9	408.9	4,215.6	3,911.5	2,639.5	5,670.4	4,954.3	4,915.6
Lombard credits	-	-	954.4	-	-	-	-	372.6	-	-
Short-term liquidity credits	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other credits	16.6	17.6	14.5	15.0	14.5	14.5	14.7	14.7	14.5	14.5
Reverse repo transactions	-	-	-	394.0	4,201.1	3,897.0	2,624.8	5,283.1	4,939.8	4,901.1
4.2. Overdue claims	1.9	0.3	3.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5. Claims on other banking institutions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total (1+2+3+4+5)	39,556.6	42,187.7	51,185.6	49,868.5	59,153.0	68,064.6	72,982.8	72,707.6	73,701.7	72,491.5
LIABILITIES										
1. Reserve money	17,803.2	23,027.9	30,586.2	33,924.4	40,390.8	46,331.2	45,565.2	48,416.1	48,931.4	48,791.2
1.1. Currency outside banks	8,507.4	9,680.9	10,573.1	10,955.6	12,163.8	14,609.3	14,381.9	16,079.8	16,763.3	16,497.8
1.2. Banks' cash in vaults	538.8	1,214.8	1,683.2	1,871.0	2,210.7	2,698.0	2,318.8	2,996.6	2,864.7	2,949.1
1.3. Banks' deposits	8,741.5	12,109.4	18,329.3	21,082.6	26,016.3	29,023.9	28,864.5	29,339.7	29,303.4	29,344.3
Settlement accounts	2,450.1	3,923.4	5,616.0	6,408.2	8,411.1	8,535.7	7,652.1	7,722.5	7,511.4	7,356.6
Statutory reserves	6,291.4	8,186.0	12,603.9	14,674.4	17,605.2	20,478.2	21,212.4	21,433.7	21,784.5	21,843.2
CNB bills on obligatory basis	-	_	109.4	_	_	_	_	167.4	0.0	144.5
Overnight deposits	-	_	_	_	_	10.0	_	16.0	7.5	_
1.4. Deposits of other banking institutions	15.5	19.1	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
1.5. Deposits of other domestic sectors ^b	0.1	3.5	0.6	15.1	_	_	_	_	_	_
2. Restricted and blocked deposits	6,030.5	7,091.2	6,699.2	10,777.1	13,551.8	16,633.5	21,683.8	18,771.0	19,322.0	17,499.9
2.1. Statutory reserve in f/c	5,705.1	7.042.3	6.686.6	10,764.7	13,495.9	16,576.7	21,616.1	18,711.0	19,285.6	17,470.9
2.2. Restricted deposits	325.4	49.0	12.6	12.4	55.9	56.9	67.7	60.0	36.4	29.0
2.3. Escrow deposits	-	_	-	_	_	_	_	_	_	
3. Foreign liabilities	1,597.5	195.7	2,798.0	18.1	18.9	18.9	15.7	17.0	15.6	15.7
3.1. Use of IMF credit	1,025.5	2.8	0.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3.2. Liabilities to international organisations	12.2	12.6	19.6	18.1	18.9	18.9	15.7	17.0	15.6	15.7
3.3. Liabilities to foreign banks ^a	559.8	180.2	2,778.5	-	-		-	-		
4. Central government and funds' deposits	1,752.1	768.1	1,551.1	263.2	332.2	188.0	175.0	288.0	115.1	351.4
4.1. Demand deposits	1,752.1	608.3	600.2	203.2	319.0	174.5	143.3	262.1	90.8	202.7
Central government demand deposits	1,564.8	569.5	548.5	123.0	246.3	138.6	143.3	160.6	75.3	81.0
Central government funds' demand deposits	187.3	38.7	51.7 950.9	105.0	72.7	35.9 13.5	9.1 31.8	101.6	15.5	121.6
4.2. Central government f/c deposits		- 150.0		35.2	13.2	13.5	51.0	25.8	24.3	148.7
4.3. CNB bills	-	159.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5. CNB bills	6,372.3	6,212.4	4,920.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5.1. CNB bills in kuna	3,458.9	4,986.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5.2. CNB bills in f/c	2,913.4	1,226.3	4,920.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
6. Capital accounts	6,425.2	5,353.5	5,039.0	5,096.5	5,357.4	5,408.8	6,066.1	5,760.5	5,866.5	6,365.5
7. Other items (net)	- 424.2	-461.1	-408.1	-210.8	-498.2	-515.8	-523.0	-545.0	-549.0	-532.1
Total (1+2+3+4+5+6+7)	39,556.6	42,187.7	51,185.6	49,868.5	59,153.0	68,064.6	72,982.8	72,707.6	73,701.7	72,491.5

^a From October 2001 to May 2003, Liabilities to foreign banks include also liabilities based on CNB bills subscribed by non-residents.

^b In December 2002, CDA accounts with the CNB for the gross and net settlement of purchased securities have been reclassified from the sector central government to the sector other financial organisations.

Table C1: Monetary Authorities Accounts

The table reports data on claims and liabilities by monetary authorities.

Foreign assets include the following forms of foreign currency and kuna claims on foreign legal and natural persons: monetary gold, holdings of special drawing rights, foreign cash in vault, reserve position in the International Monetary Fund, current account balances with foreign banks, time deposits with foreign banks and accrued interest, foreign currency security investments and other claims.

Claims on central government and funds are loans and overdue claims on the budget of the Republic of Croatia. In accordance with the Croatian National Bank Act that entered into force in April 2001, the Croatian National Bank may not extend credit to the Republic of Croatia. Hence, this item comprises only overdue claims on the budget of the Republic of Croatia based on the payment system operations and the liabilities to the IMF and foreign banks. Until April 2001, Claims in kuna were short-term loans granted for the purpose of overcoming timing differences between incoming revenues and execution of budgetary expenditures, long-term loans granted by special regulations by the government of the Republic of Croatia, and overdue claims on the budgetary central government, while Claims in foreign currency was a counter-entry to the liability to the IMF based on the succession of membership in that institution.

Claims on other domestic sectors are loans and overdue claims on other domestic sectors, including banks in bankruptcy proceedings.

Claims on banks are credits to banks and overdue claims on banks. Credits to banks comprise Lombard credits, short-term liquidity credits, other credits and reverse repo transactions. Item Lombard credits comprises credits to banks for regular maintaining of the day-to-day liquidity, which were replaced by Lombard credits in December 1994. Short-term liquidity credits, which have been granted since the beginning of 1999, also serve to bridge liquidity problems. Other credits include intervention credits, special credits for bridging liquidity problems granted in the past (initial credits, prerehabilitation credits), due but unpaid credits and banks' deposits with the CNB. From April 2005 on, reverse repo transactions are conducted on a weekly basis. Overdue claims on banks comprise settlement account overdrafts (until mid-1994) and banks' failure to correctly and promptly allocate and maintain statutory reserve requirements.

Since May 1999, Claims on other domestic sectors include overdue claims on banks against which bankruptcy proceedings have been initiated. Due to the reclassification of savings banks from the subsector other banking institutions to the subsector banks, data for Claims on banks and Claims on other banking institutions have been revised.

Reserve money consists of currency outside banks, cash in banks' vaults, banks' deposits with the CNB, other banking institutions' deposits and other domestic sectors' deposits with the CNB. Banks' deposits are: settlement account balances, statutory reserves deposited on a special account with the CNB (including, from March 2006, special reserve requirement on liabilities arising from issued securities), CNB bills on an obligatory basis and overnight deposits. Deposits by other banking institutions included, until September 2003, settlement account balances of housing savings banks. Deposits by other domestic sectors are other domestic sectors' giro account balances which are deposited with the Croatian National Bank in accordance with law or other regulation.

Restricted and blocked deposits include required foreign currency reserves and accrued interest, restricted deposits and blocked foreign currency deposits. Banks are required to set aside the reserve requirements against certain foreign currency sources of funds and the marginal reserve requirements (from August 2004 on) in special accounts at the Croatian National Bank. Restricted deposits are kuna funds set aside on the basis of a court order or regulations, kuna funds set aside in the period between May 1999 and April 2002 and deposits of banks against which bankruptcy proceedings have been initiated. Blocked foreign currency deposits are funds that were set aside in special accounts at the Croatian National Bank for repaying unpaid amounts due to foreign creditors.

Foreign liabilities include use of IMF credits, liabilities to international financial institutions and foreign banks and accrued interest.

Central government and funds' deposits are demand deposits and foreign currency deposits of the Republic of Croatia and central government funds with the CNB, and CNB bills purchased by central government institutions.

CNB bills are kuna and f/c CNB bills on a voluntary basis, excluding CNB bills voluntarily purchased by central government institutions.

Capital accounts include reserves, provisions and the income and cost accounts.

Other items (net) are unclassified liabilities decreased by unclassified assets of the Monetary Authorities Accounts.

Due to the reclassification of savings banks from the subsector other banking institutions to the subsector banks, data for Currency outside banks, Banks' cash in vaults, Banks' deposits and Deposits of other banking institutions were revised.

Table D1: Banks' Accounts

end of period, million kuna

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006		20	07	
	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Mar.	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.
ASSETS										
1. Reserves with the CNB	15,002.7	20,373.5	26,783.7	33,718.2	41,775.2	48,384.7	52,798.5	51,043.8	51,463.0	49,757.8
1.1. In kuna	9,306.2	13,340.0	20,103.4	22,962.9	28,283.1	31,814.1	31,188.9	32,339.4	32,185.7	32,296.6
1.2. In f/c	5,696.5	7,033.5	6,680.2	10,755.3	13,492.1	16,570.6	21,609.6	18,704.4	19,277.3	17,461.2
2. Foreign assets	32,807.6	25,977.8	35,382.9	43,551.0	35,572.5	39,621.2	35,925.8	37,419.8	36,344.3	38,841.2
3. Claims on central government and funds	20,059.9	21,917.7	21,543.6	21,051.3	28,877.2	27,936.8	28,349.3	29,216.2	31,341.1	32,050.3
4. Claims on other domestic sectors	74,283.8	96,218.4	110,374.3	125,707.9	147,340.9	180,967.8	189,674.0	197,685.9	197,344.8	198,500.7
4.1. Claims on local government	1,280.0	1,422.4	1,563.1	1,787.9	1,767.2	1,892.0	1,902.7	2,074.7	2,045.2	2,064.2
4.2. Claims on enterprises	42,882.0	51,723.4	53,809.8	58,643.3	67,017.9	83,386.5	87,190.4	90,980.4	89,291.0	88,748.2
4.3. Claims on households	30,121.9	43,072.6	55,001.4	65,276.7	78,555.7	95,689.3	100,580.9	104,630.7	106,008.6	107,688.4
5. Claims on other banking institutions	170.2	219.5	431.8	624.0	592.2	1,029.5	675.0	476.8	454.8	570.4
6. Claims on non-banking financial instituions	281.4	915.3	761.8	893.9	1,161.8	1,318.1	1,169.3	1,393.5	1,269.1	1,262.1
Total (1+2+3+4+5+6)	142,605.6	165,622.2	195,278.0	225,546.2	255,319.8	299,258.1	308,591.8	317,235.9	318,217.1	320,982.5
LIABILITIES										
1. Demand deposits	15,180.6	21,166.2	23,315.0	23,591.3	26,653.3	33,911.7	32,371.4	35,480.8	37,378.7	37,237.6
2. Savings and time deposits	10,213.1	13,001.1	18,370.7	22,479.2	27,992.1	44,836.8	46,765.9	49,832.0	50,364.3	51,297.6
3. Foreign currency deposits	71,836.9	72,054.6	76,035.3	81,742.9	86,760.8	88,256.7	90,699.6	92,041.8	95,950.9	101,717.9
4. Bonds and money market instruments	317.8	216.3	598.4	1,163.5	1,077.0	844.1	802.7	1,011.6	797.1	635.8
5. Foreign liabilities	21,857.8	35,023.5	49,932.0	61,163.7	67,112.3	76,076.0	77,065.5	72,516.2	67,255.7	62,221.3
6. Central government and funds' deposits	5,634.7	6,094.9	5,283.3	6,821.8	9,287.0	10,800.4	10,513.4	12,808.2	12,330.3	12,322.2
7. Credit from central bank	16.6	17.6	968.9	408.9	4,215.6	3,911.4	2,639.5	5,670.4	4,954.3	4,915.6
8. Restricted and blocked deposits	1,600.8	1,680.5	1,709.0	2,054.6	2,036.4	2,447.6	2,685.7	2,697.9	2,462.8	2,372.0
9. Capital accounts	25,455.1	26,323.2	27,389.5	28,666.4	32,665.7	40,805.1	45,886.2	46,901.3	48,475.0	50,276.1
10. Other items (net)	-9,507.8	-9,955.6	-8,324.2	-2,546.3	-2,480.4	-2,631.7	-838.2	-1,724.3	-1,751.9	-2,013.7
Total (1+2+3+4+5+6+7+8+9+10)	142,605.6	165,622.2	195,278.0	225,546.2	255,319.8	299,258.1	308,591.8	317,235.9	318,217.1	320,982.5

Table D1: Banks' Accounts

Banks' Accounts include data on banks' claims and liabilities. Banks' mutual claims and liabilities are consolidated.

Required reserves held at the central bank include kuna and foreign currency reserves. Kuna reserves include vault cash and kuna funds held in accounts at the central bank. Foreign currency reserves include foreign currency held in the CNB's foreign currency accounts.

Foreign assets are the following forms of kuna and foreign currency claims on foreign legal and natural persons: foreign cash in vaults, current account balances with foreign banks and time deposits with foreign banks (including loro letters of credit and other forms of collateral), securities, loans, and equities.

Claims on central government and funds are the following forms of claims in kuna and foreign currency: securities and loans.

Claims on other domestic sectors include the following claims in kuna and foreign currency: money market instruments, bonds, loans (including acceptances), and equities.

The same forms of kuna and foreign currency claims are included in claims on other banking institutions and non-banking financial institutions, with one difference: Claims on other banking institutions also include deposits with those institutions.

Items Demand deposits, Savings and time deposits, Foreign currency deposits as well as Bonds and money market instruments comprise banks' liabilities to other domestic sectors, other banking institutions and non-banking financial institutions.

Demand deposits include giro and current accounts balances and banks' obligations arising from kuna payment instruments issued, minus currency in the payment system, i.e. checks in banks' vaults and checks in collection.

Savings and time deposits are kuna sight deposits as well as kuna time and notice deposits.

Foreign currency deposits are foreign currency sight deposits as

well as foreign currency time and notice deposits.

Bonds and money market instruments are banks' liabilities for securities issued (net) and loans received. Issued subordinated and hybrid instruments, purchased by foreign investors, are excluded from this item.

Foreign liabilities comprise the following forms of kuna and foreign currency liabilities to foreign legal and natural persons: giro and current accounts, savings deposits (including loro letters of credit and other forms of collateral), time deposits, loans received and liabilities due. Issued subordinate and hybrid instruments, purchased by foreign investors, are also included in loans received.

Central government and funds' deposits are all forms of banks' kuna and foreign currency liabilities (except restricted and blocked deposits) to the central government and funds.

Credit from central bank comprises loans received from the CNB and deposits by the CNB with banks. Repurchase of securities is also considered and treated as a loan.

Restricted and blocked deposits comprise the following banks' liabilities: kuna and foreign currency restricted deposits by other domestic sectors, other banking institutions, non-banking financial institutions, central government and funds as well as foreign legal and natural persons, and households' blocked foreign currency deposits, regulated by the Act on Converting Households' Foreign Currency Deposits into the Public Debt of the Republic of Croatia.

Capital accounts are share capital, profit or loss for the previous and current year, retained earnings (loss), legal reserves, reserves provided for by the articles of association and other capital reserves, hedging reserves, unrealised gains (losses) from financial assets classified as available-for-sale assets, value adjustments and specific reserves for unidentified losses.

Other items (net) are unclassified liabilities decreased by unclassified assets, including the fair value of derivative financial instruments.

Tables: D2 – D12

This group of tables (with the exception of Table D5) provides a detailed analysis of the relevant asset and liability items from Table D1 (Banks' Accounts).

Table D2: Banks' Foreign Assets

end of period, million kuna

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006		20	07	
	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Mar.	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.
1. Foreign assets in f/c	32,763.6	25,924.4	35,261.9	43,428.1	35,457.9	39,454.5	35,731.3	36,988.8	35,910.6	38,401.5
1.1. Claims on foreign financial institutions	31,660.3	21,333.5	31,877.6	35,911.0	27,228.5	30,404.1	26,688.4	28,160.2	27,813.0	31,206.1
Foreign currencies	7,324.7	1,019.8	1,268.6	1,190.0	1,136.1	1,232.1	1,022.9	1,509.6	1,591.6	1,376.6
Demand deposits	1,231.9	757.7	1,057.0	906.2	860.2	870.1	930.6	1,157.0	906.4	799.9
Time and notice deposits	21,765.2	17,569.8	27,969.4	30,943.7	20,874.6	23,509.4	20,355.5	21,235.1	21,075.2	24,837.3
Securities	1,008.5	1,690.2	1,364.2	2,674.1	4,197.0	4,441.5	4,099.5	4,019.1	4,001.3	3,954.1
Loans and advances	290.3	278.7	203.1	189.0	152.9	339.2	268.0	227.7	223.1	222.9
Shares and participations	39.7	17.2	15.4	8.1	7.8	11.8	11.8	11.7	15.4	15.4
1.2. Claims on foreign non-banks	1,103.3	4,590.8	3,384.4	7,517.1	8,229.4	9,050.4	9,042.9	8,828.6	8,097.6	7,195.4
Claims on foreign governments	596.2	3,855.5	2,905.0	7,066.6	7,735.7	8,217.0	8,067.5	7,892.6	7,196.6	6,245.4
Claims on other non-residents	505.5	733.7	478.9	450.2	493.1	798.1	933.5	913.8	879.4	928.4
Securities	72.1	191.3	32.1	77.4	68.0	141.5	180.7	159.4	178.4	176.2
Loans and advances	433.4	542.4	446.8	372.8	425.2	656.6	752.8	754.4	701.0	752.2
Shares and participations	1.6	1.6	0.4	0.3	0.5	35.3	41.9	22.2	21.6	21.6
2. Foreign assets in kuna	44.1	53.4	120.9	122.9	114.6	166.7	194.5	430.9	433.6	439.7
2.1. Claims on foreign financial institutions	29.2	19.6	99.1	77.8	71.3	96.9	120.8	348.7	305.1	314.8
2.2. Claims on foreign non-banks	14.8	33.8	21.9	45.1	43.4	69.8	73.6	82.3	128.5	124.9
o/w: Loans and advances	13.9	33.0	21.0	44.3	42.6	69.2	73.0	81.7	127.9	124.3
Total (1+2)	32,807.6	25,977.8	35,382.9	43,551.0	35,572.5	39,621.2	35,925.8	37,419.8	36,344.3	38,841.2

Table D2: Banks' Foreign Assets

This table shows banks' claims on foreign legal and natural persons.

Foreign assets of banks' comprise foreign assets in kuna and for-

eign currency.

Claims on foreign banks and Claims on foreign non-banks (total and by financial instruments) are shown separately within both foreign assets in kuna and in foreign currency.

Table D3: Banks' Claims on the Central Government and Funds

end of period, million kuna

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006		20	07	
	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Mar.	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.
1. In kuna	17,778.7	18,444.4	18,007.1	16,270.2	20,532.7	22,703.0	23,159.6	24,225.0	24,668.5	25,339.7
1.1. Claims on central government	16,230.2	16,443.4	16,032.6	14,465.6	17,352.6	18,361.2	18,665.8	19,668.2	20,056.0	20,631.3
Securities	15,403.2	13,989.1	11,770.0	11,779.1	16,037.7	14,546.7	15,839.5	15,598.9	15,963.9	16,505.3
o/w: Bonds (c'part to f/c savings deposits)	3,420.1	2,473.5	1,531.9	532.0	20.6	8.3	6.6	6.9	6.4	6.1
Loans and advances	826.9	2,454.3	4,262.6	2,686.5	1,314.9	3,814.5	2,826.4	4,069.3	4,092.0	4,126.0
1.2. Claims on central government funds	1,548.5	2,001.0	1,974.5	1,804.6	3,180.1	4,341.9	4,493.8	4,556.8	4,612.5	4,708.3
Securities	560.1	560.7	723.6	621.1	-	-	1.7	-	9.2	3.0
Loans and advances	988.4	1,440.3	1,250.9	1,183.5	3,180.1	4,341.9	4,492.0	4,556.8	4,603.3	4,705.4
2. In f/c	2,281.2	3,473.3	3,536.4	4,781.1	8,344.5	5,233.8	5,189.7	4,991.2	6,672.6	6,710.7
2.1. Claims on central government	1,390.9	2,359.1	3,196.9	3,548.4	7,241.0	4,624.4	4,604.3	4,417.7	6,160.9	6,203.2
Securities	1,065.5	1,733.4	1,805.4	1,117.0	1,248.1	429.0	393.5	267.5	257.6	276.1
Loans and advances	325.5	625.7	1,391.5	2,431.3	5,992.8	4,195.4	4,210.8	4,150.2	5,903.3	5,927.1
2.2. Claims on central government funds	890.3	1,114.2	339.5	1,232.8	1,103.5	609.4	585.4	573.5	511.7	507.5
Securities	75.4	195.0	96.4	163.1	144.2	109.2	109.5	115.9	74.2	74.5
Loans and advances	814.8	919.2	243.1	1,069.7	959.3	500.2	475.9	457.6	437.5	433.0
Total (1+2)	20,059.9	21,917.7	21,543.6	21,051.3	28,877.2	27,936.8	28,349.3	29,216.2	31,341.1	32,050.3

Table D3: Banks' Claims on the Central Government and Funds

The table shows banks' kuna and foreign currency claims on the central government and funds. The item Securities, shown under

Claims in kuna on the Republic of Croatia, also comprises bonds arising from blocked foreign currency savings deposits issued in accordance with the Act on Converting Households' Foreign Currency Deposits into the Public Debt of the Republic of Croatia.

Table D4: Banks' Claims on Other Domestic Sectors

end of period, million kuna

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006		20	007	
	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Mar.	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.
1. Claims in kuna	66,626.8	85,418.7	100,365.0	114,635.7	133,603.5	166,755.1	175,605.5	183,820.8	183,395.6	184,807.6
1.1. Money market instruments	544.7	1,394.7	1,314.1	2,510.0	2,329.9	1,980.7	1,902.5	1,959.6	1,945.3	1,887.6
1.2. Bonds	7.7	72.4	56.2	559.8	361.6	1,088.8	1,102.8	895.0	830.4	672.7
1.3. Loans and advances	62,180.6	80,887.6	96,081.7	109,523.9	128,882.3	161,694.2	170,520.1	178,827.5	178,471.4	180,130.3
1.4. Shares and participations	3,893.8	3,064.0	2,912.9	2,042.0	2,029.6	1,991.4	2,080.0	2,138.7	2,148.5	2,117.1
2. Claims in f/c	7,657.0	10,799.8	10,009.3	11,072.2	13,737.4	14,212.8	14,068.5	13,865.0	13,949.1	13,693.1
2.1. Securities	126.6	243.2	130.6	213.5	307.6	221.1	214.8	194.6	246.7	218.6
2.2. Loans and advances	7,530.5	10,556.6	9,878.7	10,858.6	13,429.8	13,991.6	13,853.7	13,670.4	13,702.4	13,474.5
Total (1+2)	74,283.8	96,218.4	110,374.3	125,707.9	147,340.9	180,967.8	189,674.0	197,685.9	197,344.8	198,500.7

Table D4: Banks' Claims on Other Domestic Sectors

The table shows banks' kuna and foreign currency claims on other domestic sectors, classified according to financial instruments: money market instruments (including factoring and forfaiting since January 2004), loans and advances (including acceptances and purchased claims), and equities.

Table D5: Distribution of Banks' Loans by Domestic Institutional Sectors

end of period, million kuna

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006		2007				
	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Mar.	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.		
LOANS IN KUNA												
1. Loans to central government and funds	1,815.4	3,894.6	5,513.5	3,870.0	4,495.0	8,156.4	7,318.4	8,626.1	8,695.3	8,831.4		
1.1. Loans to central government	826.9	2,454.3	4,262.6	2,686.5	1,314.9	3,814.5	2,826.4	4,069.3	4,092.0	4,126.0		
1.2. Loans to central government funds	988.4	1,440.3	1,250.9	1,183.5	3,180.1	4,341.9	4,492.0	4,556.8	4,603.3	4,705.4		
2. Loans to local government	1,069.1	1,202.9	1,485.1	1,701.9	1,613.9	1,720.3	1,728.4	1,859.2	1,838.4	1,853.4		
3. Loans to enterprises	31,049.4	36,708.1	39,777.4	42,844.7	49,105.9	64,666.3	68,619.5	72,708.9	70,992.1	70,947.5		
4. Loans to households	30,062.1	42,976.6	54,819.3	64,977.2	78,162.4	95,307.6	100,172.2	104,259.4	105,640.9	107,329.4		
o/w: Housing loans	9,450.0	12,363.4	16,896.2	21,397.9	27,571.1	36,927.3	39,266.0	41,083.2	41,944.6	42,849.9		
5. Loans to other banking institution	34.7	17.6	82.3	154.5	46.5	304.4	100.5	63.3	62.2	29.7		
 Loans to non-banking financial institutions 	240.9	521.3	427.9	558.0	591.8	854.4	675.0	773.9	673.4	644.6		
A. Total (1+2+3+4+5+6)	64,271.6	85,321.1	102,105.4	114,106.4	134,015.6	171,009.4	178,614.0	188,290.8	187,902.3	189,635.9		
LOANS IN F/C												
1. Loans to central government and funds	1,140.3	1,544.9	1,634.7	3,501.0	6,952.1	4,695.6	4,686.7	4,607.8	6,340.9	6,360.1		
1.1. Loans to central government	325.5	625.7	1,391.5	2,431.3	5,992.8	4,195.4	4,210.8	4,150.2	5,903.3	5,927.1		
1.2. Loans to central government funds	814.8	919.2	243.1	1,069.7	959.3	500.2	475.9	457.6	437.5	433.0		
2. Loans to local government	179.1	152.3	47.1	31.9	63.0	11.3	10.1	10.0	8.7	8.7		
3. Loans to enterprises	7,291.7	10,308.3	9,649.4	10,527.3	12,973.5	13,598.5	13,435.0	13,289.1	13,326.0	13,106.8		
4. Loans to households	59.7	96.0	182.1	299.5	393.3	381.8	408.7	371.3	367.7	359.0		
5. Loans to other banking institutions	-	1.2	174.3	52.9	19.9	68.1	220.5	27.9	3.0	122.7		
 Loans to non-banking financial institutions 	-	28.3	58.8	255.3	512.3	360.5	378.0	469.0	444.4	462.2		
B. Total (1+2+3+4+5+6)	8,670.7	12,131.0	11,746.4	14,667.8	20,914.1	19,115.9	19,139.0	18,775.1	20,490.7	20,419.5		
TOTAL (A+B)	72,942.3	97,452.1	113,851.8	128,774.2	154,929.7	190,125.3	197,753.0	207,065.9	208,393.0	210,055.5		

Table D5: Distribution of Banks' Loans by Domestic Institutional Sectors

The table shows data on kuna and foreign currency loans granted

by banks to domestic sectors, including acceptances, financial leases, payments made on the basis of guarantees and similar instruments, purchased claims, and until December 2003 factoring and forfaiting.

Table D6: Demand Deposits with Banks

end of period, million kuna

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006		20	07	
	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Mar.	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.
1. Local government	907.0	1,910.4	2,006.2	2,020.7	1,688.7	1,803.8	1,528.8	1,689.2	1,688.1	1,911.1
2. Enterprises	8,981.6	12,344.5	12,872.9	12,036.9	13,344.2	16,668.6	14,586.5	15,628.9	16,984.7	16,656.9
3. Households	4,872.0	6,307.4	7,873.1	8,773.0	10,728.3	14,257.8	14,813.8	16,780.2	17,190.2	17,227.1
4. Other banking institutions	17.0	42.1	98.9	245.4	322.1	485.1	446.3	344.4	385.0	317.0
5. Non-banking financial institutions	407.1	568.1	468.1	517.5	571.3	697.6	996.8	1,039.6	1,131.7	1,126.3
6. Less: Checks of other banks and checks in collection	-4.2	-6.4	-4.2	-2.2	-1.3	-1.2	-0.8	-1.5	-0.8	-0.7
Total (1+2+3+4+5+6)	15,180.6	21,166.2	23,315.0	23,591.3	26,653.3	33,911.7	32,371.4	35,480.8	37,378.7	37,237.6

Table D6: Demand Deposits with Banks

The table shows demand deposits with banks, classified by domestic institutional sectors.

Demand deposits are the sum of other domestic sectors', other

banking institutions' and non-banking financial institutions' giro and current accounts balances, minus currency in the payment system (i.e. checks in banks' vaults and checks in collection). Banks' obligations arising from kuna payment instruments issued are included in the household sector.

Table D7: Time and Savings Deposits with Banks

end of period, million kuna

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006		20	07	
	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Mar.	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.
1. Savings deposits	2,006.8	2,236.2	2,527.9	2,233.9	2,493.6	2,905.6	2,919.9	3,145.7	3,151.4	3,077.0
1.1. Local government	118.3	14.8	14.4	4.6	2.7	2.8	2.9	2.1	2.9	2.8
1.2. Enterprises	88.0	213.3	190.5	38.8	101.6	110.3	131.9	148.8	193.8	168.9
1.3. Households	1,712.2	1,996.3	2,288.8	2,190.5	2,388.3	2,792.4	2,785.0	2,989.7	2,949.7	2,900.3
1.4. Other banking institutions	20.8	0.0	-	-	-	-	-	5.0	5.0	5.0
1.5. Non-banking financial institutions	67.5	11.8	34.2	0.0	1.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0
2. Time and notice deposits	8,206.3	10,764.9	15,842.9	20,245.4	25,498.4	41,931.3	43,846.0	46,686.3	47,212.9	48,220.6
2.1. Local government	340.7	482.8	551.6	550.8	508.7	491.8	865.8	1,012.7	1,136.9	1,210.3
2.2. Enterprises	3,618.3	4,633.6	7,165.3	8,698.5	8,222.5	14,715.4	15,837.4	16,805.2	17,139.0	18,574.9
2.3. Households	2,554.1	3,793.8	6,194.5	9,321.4	13,254.9	20,755.0	20,052.5	19,616.9	19,694.0	19,419.3
2.4. Other banking institutions	24.7	58.4	129.3	215.9	931.9	2,697.9	4,092.5	5,487.8	5,734.9	4,462.0
2.5. Non-banking financial institutions	1,668.5	1,796.3	1,802.2	1,458.8	2,580.4	3,271.3	2,997.7	3,763.6	3,508.1	4,554.1
Total (1+2)	10,213.1	13,001.1	18,370.7	22,479.2	27,992.1	44,836.8	46,765.9	49,832.0	50,364.3	51,297.6

Table D7: Time and Savings Deposits with Banks

The table shows kuna savings and time deposits by other domestic sectors, other banking institutions and non-banking financial institutions with banks.

Table D8: Foreign Currency Deposits with Banks

end of period, million kuna

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006				
	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Mar.	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.
1. Savings deposits	23,748.8	21,074.4	21,547.0	22,144.6	22,641.0	22,698.6	22,177.8	22,030.7	22,969.0	24,198.4
1.1. Local government	13.2	12.2	14.7	15.6	11.9	30.8	13.5	26.9	13.6	13.5
1.2. Enterprises	2,884.2	3,346.7	3,620.2	4,273.2	4,408.3	4,589.7	4,625.3	4,414.8	5,038.5	5,323.6
1.3. Households	20,688.3	17,537.3	17,690.2	17,708.9	17,933.6	17,609.9	16,970.0	17,054.7	17,352.2	18,131.3
1.4. Other banking institutions	23.9	34.7	9.0	15.4	116.0	276.7	170.1	184.3	269.0	332.5
1.5. Non-banking financial institutions	139.2	143.5	212.9	131.6	171.3	191.4	399.0	350.0	295.7	397.4
2. Time deposits	48,088.1	50,980.3	54,488.4	59,598.3	64,119.7	65,558.1	68,521.8	70,011.0	72,981.8	77,519.5
2.1. Local government	1.7	9.5	3.8	0.3	3.2	1.9	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2
2.2. Enterprises	4,619.1	6,009.6	7,154.0	8,518.6	8,154.2	7,086.2	7,210.4	7,620.3	9,297.9	10,322.7
2.3. Households	42,705.4	44,159.2	46,805.1	50,636.0	55,036.1	57,210.8	59,952.2	60,459.0	61,602.3	63,577.3
2.4. Other banking institutions	11.5	41.5	21.7	20.7	242.0	366.2	449.3	565.1	667.5	1,234.5
2.5. Non-banking financial institutions	750.3	760.5	503.7	422.7	684.2	892.9	907.7	1,364.4	1,412.0	2,382.8
Total (1+2)	71,836.9	72,054.6	76,035.3	81,742.9	86,760.8	88,256.7	90,699.6	92,041.8	95,950.9	101,717.9

Table D8: Foreign Currency Deposits with Banks

The table shows foreign currency savings and time deposits by other domestic sectors, other banking institutions and non-banking financial institutions with banks. Foreign currency savings deposits are all foreign currency sight deposits and foreign currency payment instruments issued, while foreign currency time deposits also include foreign currency notice deposits.

Table D9: Bonds and Money Market Instruments

end of period, million kuna

	2001	2002 2003		2004	2005	2006	2007				
	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Mar.	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	
1. Money market instruments (net)	-	5.1	-	-	-	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	
2. Bonds (net)	104.4	92.8	151.9	170.5	164.9	340.9	395.2	582.8	579.0	548.6	
3. Other domestic borrowing	213.4	118.4	446.5	993.0	912.1	502.5	406.7	428.0	217.3	86.4	
3.1. Local government	-	-	0.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
3.2. Enterprises	158.1	46.3	92.7	40.3	40.8	0.0	44.2	25.6	0.0	0.0	
3.3. Other banking institutions	4.6	10.0	222.1	842.8	828.1	492.8	321.2	360.8	203.7	66.3	
3.4. Non-banking financial institutions	50.7	62.0	130.9	109.9	43.2	9.6	41.3	41.6	13.5	20.0	
Total (1+2+3)	317.8	216.3	598.4	1,163.5	1,077.0	844.1	802.7	1,011.6	797.1	635.8	

Table D9: Bonds and Money Market Instruments

The table shows banks' liabilities for securities issued (net) and loans received from other domestic sectors, other banking institutions and non-banking financial institutions.

Money market instruments (net) comprise banks' net liabilities for CNB bills, bills of exchange (issued and accepted) and other securities issued.

Bonds (net) comprise banks' net liabilities for kuna and foreign currency bonds issued, as well as issued subordinated and hybrid instruments, excluding those purchased by foreign investors.

Other domestic borrowing comprises loans received, which are reported in the total amount and classified by institutional sectors.

Table D10: Banks' Foreign Liabilities

end of period, million kuna

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007		07	
	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Mar.	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.
1. Foreign liabilities in f/c	21,692.7	34,198.5	44,574.3	54,536.7	52,073.3	55,114.3	55,275.1	51,520.3	49,280.1	45,565.9
1.1. Liabilities to foreign financial institutions	16,407.4	28,662.3	38,623.1	48,967.5	45,747.7	48,561.3	48,641.3	44,355.7	41,829.3	38,840.6
Demand deposits	147.1	130.9	266.6	127.6	156.3	195.0	149.5	137.9	158.9	196.2
Time and notice deposits	1,208.3	9,002.9	12,885.2	16,056.8	12,523.1	12,174.1	13,011.8	13,204.3	12,767.9	11,409.9
Loans and advances	15,052.1	19,528.5	25,471.4	29,369.5	29,775.6	32,903.9	32,169.3	27,736.8	25,628.1	23,950.0
o/w: Subordinated and hybrid instruments	2,558.3	2,801.4	2,949.2	2,399.4	1,167.4	820.7	824.9	816.0	163.6	164.1
Bonds	-	-	-	3,413.6	3,292.6	3,288.3	3,310.7	3,276.8	3,274.5	3,284.6
1.2. Liabilities to foreign non-banks	5,285.2	5,536.2	5,951.2	5,569.2	6,325.6	6,553.0	6,633.8	7,164.5	7,450.9	6,725.2
Savings and time deposits	3,777.8	4,160.2	4,753.2	5,002.2	5,846.3	6,192.4	6,322.7	6,857.3	7,195.9	6,469.6
Sight deposits	873.7	875.6	898.6	1,052.5	1,172.9	1,635.8	1,393.4	1,806.9	2,221.8	1,622.7
Time and notice deposits	2,904.1	3,284.6	3,854.6	3,949.6	4,673.4	4,556.7	4,929.3	5,050.3	4,974.2	4,846.9
Loans and advances	1,507.4	1,376.0	1,198.0	567.1	479.3	360.5	311.1	307.3	254.9	255.6
o/w: Subordinated and hybrid instruments	39.3	39.7	39.1	0.2	-	-	-	-	-	-
2. Foreign liabilities in kuna	165.1	825.0	5,357.7	6,627.0	15,039.1	20,961.8	21,790.4	20,995.9	17,975.6	16,655.4
2.1. Liabilities to foreign financial institutions	46.9	690.9	5,087.8	6,103.9	14,099.6	20,087.0	20,961.5	20,310.0	17,224.6	15,758.6
Demand deposits	38.2	53.6	86.4	145.1	179.6	1,438.1	1,443.0	1,083.6	509.7	423.0
Time and notice deposits	4.2	635.8	2,664.1	2,846.9	6,979.5	11,198.8	14,949.2	14,674.0	12,564.2	11,184.8
Loans and advances	4.5	1.5	2,337.3	3,111.9	6,940.5	7,450.2	4,569.3	4,552.5	4,150.8	4,150.8
o/w: Subordinated and hybrid instruments				-	405.7	404.0	406.0	401.7	0.0	0.0
2.2. Liabilities to foreign non-banks	118.2	134.1	269.9	523.1	939.5	874.8	828.9	685.8	750.9	896.8
Demand deposits	60.1	56.2	76.8	95.9	180.3	170.1	274.9	229.0	326.0	218.8
Time and notice deposits	58.1	77.9	191.4	419.2	755.2	703.3	551.1	455.3	421.9	675.0
Loans and advances	-	-	1.7	8.0	4.0	1.4	2.9	1.5	3.0	3.0
o/w: Subordinated and hybrid instruments			1.7	8.0	4.0	1.4	2.9	1.5	3.0	3.0
Total (1+2)	21,857.8	35,023.5	49,932.0	61,163.7	67,112.3	76,076.0	77,065.5	72,516.2	67,255.7	62,221.3

Table D10: Banks' Foreign Liabilities

The table shows banks' total foreign currency and kuna liabilities to foreign legal and natural persons, with the exception of restricted kuna and foreign currency deposits by foreign legal and natural persons.

Banks' foreign liabilities comprise foreign currency liabilities and

foreign kuna liabilities.

Within foreign kuna and foreign currency liabilities, liabilities to foreign banks are reported separately from liabilities to foreign nonbanks (total and by financial instruments). Loans and advances also include issued subordinated and hybrid instruments purchased by foreign investors.

Table D11: Central Government and Funds' Deposits with Banks

end of period, million kuna

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006		20	07	
	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Mar.	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.
1. In kuna	3,335.1	4,036.8	4,104.4	5,627.2	7,596.1	9,030.0	9,097.7	10,322.0	10,367.5	10,419.1
1.1. Central government deposits	295.9	634.3	506.4	445.1	605.0	497.5	620.1	1,257.7	991.1	881.2
Demand deposits	33.9	476.4	448.0	373.3	458.1	366.2	430.6	438.6	423.4	417.5
Savings deposits	41.6	3.3	3.0	4.2	1.8	2.1	1.9	1.7	1.5	1.5
Time and notice deposits	217.6	153.6	54.2	66.5	144.0	128.1	186.5	816.4	565.2	461.2
Loans and advances	2.8	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
1.2. Central government funds' deposits	3,039.2	3,402.5	3,598.0	5,182.2	6,991.1	8,532.6	8,477.5	9,064.3	9,376.4	9,537.9
Demand deposits	214.6	553.2	294.8	266.3	580.2	254.6	227.2	189.5	352.8	375.1
Savings deposits	10.8	0.0	0.3	3.5	1.9	14.6	4.4	4.3	2.3	2.3
Time and notice deposits	195.2	144.3	156.2	262.3	251.7	496.7	229.9	331.3	251.8	204.9
Loans and advances	2,618.6	2,705.0	3,146.7	4,650.0	6,157.3	7,766.7	8,016.0	8,539.2	8,769.6	8,955.6
2. In f/c	2,299.6	2,058.1	1,178.9	1,194.6	1,690.9	1,770.4	1,415.8	2,486.2	1,962.7	1,903.1
2.1. Central government deposits	2,275.0	1,938.9	1,158.2	891.0	906.2	811.7	760.3	696.6	650.0	632.9
Savings deposits	329.8	263.0	198.5	189.7	340.6	264.8	318.7	317.4	305.0	300.6
Time and notice deposits	55.8	293.1	-	23.2	38.7	275.0	205.1	148.0	149.8	135.9
Refinanced loans and advances	1,889.5	1,382.8	959.6	678.1	527.0	271.9	236.4	231.3	195.2	196.4
2.2. Central government funds' deposits	24.5	119.2	20.8	303.6	784.7	958.6	655.5	1,789.6	1,312.7	1,270.2
Savings deposits	22.9	114.1	20.8	156.5	139.4	93.4	104.7	151.5	207.5	203.4
Time and notice deposits	1.6	5.0	-	147.1	25.8	356.2	163.9	474.7	232.1	195.4
Loans and advances	-	-	-	-	619.6	509.0	386.8	1,163.4	873.1	871.4
Total (1+2)	5,634.7	6,094.9	5,283.3	6,821.8	9,287.0	10,800.4	10,513.4	12,808.2	12,330.3	12,322.2

Table D11: Central Government and Funds' Deposits with Banks

The table reports total banks' kuna and foreign currency liabilities to the central government and funds, with the exception of restricted (kuna and foreign currency) deposits by the central government and funds with banks. Kuna and foreign currency deposits by the Republic of Croatia and central government funds are shown separately. Kuna deposits comprise demand deposits, savings deposits, time and notice deposits, and loans received from the central government and funds. Foreign currency deposits comprise savings deposits, time and notice deposits, and refinanced loans and advances.

Table D12: Restricted and Blocked Deposits with Banks

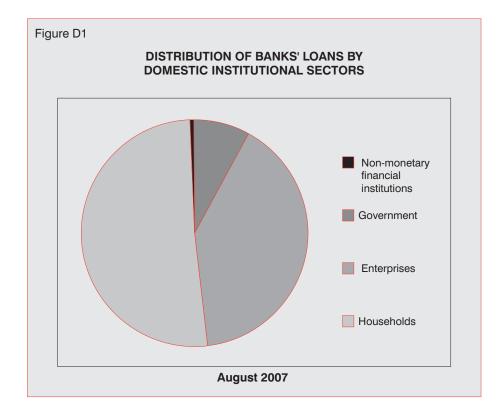
end of period, million kuna

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006		20	007	
	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Mar.	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.
1. Restricted deposits	830.6	1,361.2	1,541.2	2,014.6	2,036.4	2,447.6	2,685.7	2,697.9	2,462.8	2,372.0
1.1. In kuna	100.3	789.6	730.1	1,267.4	1,277.1	1,427.0	1,551.1	1,440.6	1,335.2	1,348.9
1.2. In f/c	730.3	571.6	811.1	747.2	759.3	1,020.5	1,134.6	1,257.3	1,127.6	1,023.1
2. Blocked f/c deposits of housholds	770.2	319.3	167.8	40.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total (1+2)	1,600.8	1,680.5	1,709.0	2,054.6	2,036.4	2,447.6	2,685.7	2,697.9	2,462.8	2,372.0

Table D12: Restricted and Blocked Deposits with Banks

The table shows households' restricted (kuna and foreign currency) deposits and blocked deposits.

Blocked foreign currency deposits include households' foreign currency deposits, regulated by the Act on Converting Households' Foreign Currency Deposits into the Public Debt of the Republic of Croatia.



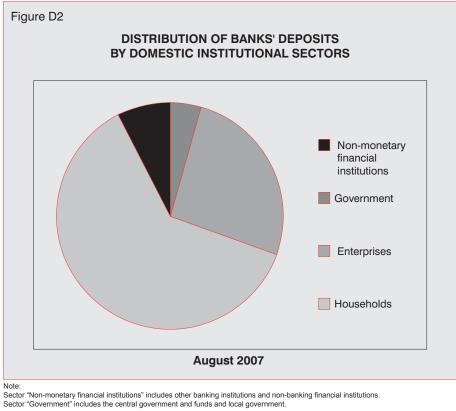


Table E1: Housing Savings Banks' Accounts

end of period, million kuna

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006		20	07	
	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Mar.	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.
ASSETS										
1. Reserves with the CNB	15.5	19.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2. Claims on central government and funds	1,208.8	1,983.9	3,033.5	3,779.1	4,274.3	4,674.8	4,350.3	4,111.1	4,102.1	4,085.6
3. Claims on other domestic sectors	11.6	93.3	187.9	373.2	575.5	1,296.0	1,492.0	1,712.4	1,799.6	1,877.4
o/w: Claims on households	11.6	91.3	187.9	373.2	575.5	1,296.0	1,492.0	1,712.4	1,799.6	1,877.4
4. Claims on banks	18.1	37.2	247.2	824.2	994.4	181.4	52.2	88.8	58.3	52.1
5. Claims on other banking institutions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total (1+2+3+4+5)	1,254.0	2,133.6	3,468.6	4,976.6	5,844.2	6,152.3	5,894.6	5,912.2	5,960.0	6,015.1
LIABILITIES										
1. Time deposits	1,137.5	2,012.9	3,265.2	4,728.2	5,514.7	5,803.6	5,588.1	5,555.4	5,589.1	5,643.9
2. Bonds and money market instruments	10.0	-	11.1	10.7	10.3	61.7	66.1	76.3	76.3	76.5
3. Capital accounts	124.0	141.1	159.7	206.7	258.0	244.7	223.0	242.5	254.7	231.6
4. Other items (net)	-17.5	-20.4	32.6	30.8	61.1	42.2	17.5	37.9	40.0	63.1
Total (1+2+3+4)	1,254.0	2,133.6	3,468.6	4,976.6	5,844.2	6,152.3	5,894.6	5,912.2	5,960.0	6,015.1

Table E1: Housing Savings Banks' Accounts

Housing savings banks' accounts include data on claims and liabilities of the Croatian housing savings banks. All housing savings banks' claims and liabilities refer exclusively to domestic sectors.

Housing savings banks' required reserves held at the central bank include funds in vaults. Until September 2003, they also included kuna funds held in accounts at the central bank.

Claims on central government and funds are claims in kuna on the Republic of Croatia and central government funds.

Claims on other domestic sectors include kuna loans to local government and households.

Claims on banks include loans to banks, as well as deposits with banks, including, from October 2003 on, accounts for regular opera-

tions with banks.

Claims on other banking institutions include investments in investment funds.

Item Time deposits includes local government and households' time deposits.

Bonds and money market instruments are housing savings banks' liabilities for securities issued (net) and loans received.

Capital accounts are share capital, profit or loss for the previous and current year, retained earnings (loss), legal reserves, reserves provided for by the articles of association and other capital reserves, hedging reserves, unrealised gains (losses) from financial assets classified as available-for-sale assets, value adjustments and specific reserves for unidentified losses. Other items (net) are unclassified liabilities decreased by unclassified assets.

Table F1: Credit Rates of the Croatian National Bank

in percentage, on annual basis

		OND	CNB				Credit rates		
Year	Month	CNB discount rate	repo rate ^b	On Lombard credits ^b	On intervention credits	On intra-day refinance facility ^b	On short-term liquidity credits	On inaccurately calculated statutory reserves ^b	On arrears
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1994	December	8.50	-	18.00	19.00	17.00	14.00	19.00	22.00
1995	December	8.50	-	25.49	19.00	17.00	-	19.00	22.00
1996	December	6.50	-	11.00	19.00	17.00	-	19.00	18.00
1997	December	5.90	-	9.50	19.00	17.00	-	19.00	18.00
1998	December	5.90	-	12.00	19.00	7.00	14.00	19.00	18.00
1999	December	7.90	-	13.00	19.00	-	14.00	19.00	18.00
2000	December	5.90	-	12.00	18.00	-	13.00	18.00	18.00
2001	December	5.90	-	10.00	-	-	11.00	15.00	18.00
2002	December	4.50	-	9.50	-	-	10.50	15.00	15.00
2003	December	4.50	-	9.50	-	-	10.50	15.00	15.00
2004	December	4.50	-	9.50	-	-	10.50	15.00	15.00
2005	December	4.50	3.50	7.50°	-	-	8.50 ^c	15.00	15.00
2006	September	4.50	3.50	7.50	-	-	8.50	15.00	15.00
	October	4.50	3.50	7.50	-	-	8.50	15.00	15.00
	November	4.50	3.50	7.50	-	-	8.50	15.00	15.00
	December	4.50	3.50	7.50	-	-	8.50	15.00	15.00
2007	January	4.50	3.50	7.50	-	-	8.50	15.00	15.00
	February	4.50	3.50	7.50	-	-	8.50	15.00	15.00
	March	4.50	3.50	7.50	-	-	8.50	15.00	15.00
	April	4.50	3.50	7.50	-	-	8.50	15.00	15.00
	Мау	4.50	3.50	7.50	-	-	8.50	15.00	15.00
	June	4.50	3.50	7.50	-	-	8.50	15.00	15.00
	July	4.50	3.50	7.50	-	-	8.50	15.00	15.00
	August	4.50	3.50	7.50	-	-	8.50	15.00	15.00

^a Weighted averages of weighted repo rates achieved at regular reverse repo auctions of the CNB in the reporting month.

^b Breaks in the series of data are explained in notes on methodology.
^c Since 14 December 2005.

Table F1: Credit Rates of the Croatian National Bank

The table shows interest rates used by the CNB to calculate and charge interest on credits from the primary issue and on all other claims.

Credit rates of the CNB are set by decisions of the Council of the Croatian National Bank, on a yearly basis. Exceptionally, from June 1995 interest rate charged by the CNB on Lombard credits was 1.5 percentage points higher than the weighted average interest rate on CNB bills on a voluntary basis (which serve as collateral for Lombard credits) in cases when the weighted average interest rate was higher than 16.5%. Congruently, from June 1995 to August 1996 the table reports the weighted average interest rate on Lombard credits.

Time series presented in the table contain certain breaks, due to changes in the CNB's monetary policy instruments.

Data shown in column 4 refer to the weighted averages of the weighted repo rates achieved at regular reverse repo auctions of the CNB in the reporting month.

Data shown in column 7 refer, until September 1994, to interest rates on special credits for savings deposits' payments and for payments from households' current accounts, and from October 1994 until September 1997 to interest rates on daily credits for savings deposits and households' current accounts in kuna. Daily credits, as opposed to special credits, are paid back on the same day. In October 1997, this instrument was replaced by daily credits for overcoming short-term liquidity problems that are collateralised by CNB bills. From December 1998 to April 1999, this credit is incorporated in Lombard credit, applying different interest rate for its usage within one day.

Data shown in column 8 refer, until December 1994, to interest rate on initial credits, and since 18 March 1998, to credits for overcoming liquidity problems of banks under evaluation for entry into rehabilitation and restructuring procedures and since February 1999, to interest rates on short-term liquidity credits. From December 1999 on, data show interest rates on short-term liquidity credit with a maturity over 3 months which is 1 percentage point higher than interest rate on Lombard credits. Interest rate on short-term liquidity credit up to 3 months is 0.5 percentage point higher than interest rate on Lombard credits.

Table F2: Deposit Rates of the Croatian National Bank

in percentage, on annual basis

		Interest rates on statutory	Interest rates on	lı	nterest rates on a volun	on CNB bil tary basis ^a	lls	Interes	t rates on f/o	CNB bills o	on a volunta	ry basis	Interest rates on
Year	Month	reserves dep. with the CNB	CNB bills on an - obligatory basis	Due in 7 days	Due in 35 days	Due in 70 days	Due in 105 days	Due in 35 days	Due in 63 days	Due in 91 days	Due in 182 days	Due in 364 days	overnight deposits
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
1994	December	5.15	-	9.00	12.00	14.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1995	December	5.50	16.50	12.00	25.54	27.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1996	December	5.50	-	-	8.00	9.50	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1997	December	4.50	-	-	8.00	9.00	10.00	-	-	-	-	-	-
1998	December	5.90	-	-	9.50	10.50	11.00	-	4.60	3.12	3.08	-	-
1999	December	5.90	-	-	10.50	11.55	12.50	-	4.83	3.56	-	-	-
2000	December	4.50	-	-	6.65	7.00	7.70	-	5.51	4.83	-	-	-
2001	December	2.00	-	-	3.36	4.26	4.85	-	2.62	3.06	-	-	-
2002	December	1.75	-	-	2.08	-	-	2.30	2.68	-	-	-	-
2003	December	1.25	0.50	-	-	-	-	1.75	1.48	-	-	-	-
2004	December	1.25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2005	December	0.75	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.50
2006	September	0.75	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.50
	October	0.75	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.50
	November	0.75	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.50
	December	0.75	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.50
2007	January	0.75	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.50
	February	0.75	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.50
	March	0.75	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.50
	April	0.75	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.50
	May	0.75	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.50
	June	0.75	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.50
	July	0.75	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.50
	August	0.75	-	-	-	_	-	-	_	_	_	-	0.50

^a Breaks in the series of data are explained in notes on methodology.

Table F2: Deposit Rates of the Croatian National Bank

The table shows interest rates used by the CNB to calculate and pay interest on funds deposited with the CNB and on issued securities.

Interest rates paid by the CNB for appropriated statutory reserve funds are set by a decision of the Council of the Croatian National Bank. Until April 2005, the appropriated statutory reserve funds included the calculated statutory reserve funds that were deposit in a special statutory reserve account with the CNB, or maintained (in average) in banks' settlement accounts, or deposited in a special account with the CNB for the settlement of net positions in the National Clearing System (NCS). From April 2005, they include the calculated statutory reserve funds allocated to a special statutory reserve account with the CNB (column 3). Interest rates on CNB bills on an obligatory basis are set by a decision of the Council of the Croatian National Bank.

Interest rates on CNB bills on a voluntary basis are set at CNB bills' auction sales. Congruently, columns 5, 6 and 7 report the weighted average interest rates attained at auctions of CNB bills. From November 1994 through January 2001, columns 7 and 8 report interest rates on CNB bills on a voluntary basis due in 91 and 182 days respectively.

From April 1998 on, columns 9 through 13 report the weighted average interest rates on CNB bills on a voluntary basis in EUR and USD (until December 1998, in DEM and USD) attained at CNB bills' auctions as a weighted average of subscribed amounts in those two currencies.

Column 14 reports the interest rate on overnight deposits with the CNB.

Table F3: Banks' Reserve Requirements

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Year	Month	Weighted average res.	Rese	rve requirement	: (RR)	Other obligatory deposits with the	Statutory deposited w		Weighted avg. remuneration rate on	
		requirement in % on res. base	Total	In kuna	In f/c	CNB	In kuna	In f/c	immobilised funds in kuna	on allocated funds in f/c
1	2	3	4=5+6	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
1994	December	26.20	1,826.0	1,826.0	-	188.3	1,779.2	-	5.63	-
1995	December	30.90	2,431.8	2,431.8	-	826.5	2,215.9	-	7.93	-
1996	December	35.91	3,652.9	3,652.9	-	-	3,312.0	-	4.99	-
1997	December	32.02	4,348.8	4,348.8	-	-	3,914.2	-	4.05	-
1998	December	29.57	13,112.7	3,967.2	9,145.4	57.4	3,469.8	1,467.6	5.28	
1999	December	30.50	13,579.0	4,210.1	9,368.9	37.3	3,695.1	4,606.5	5.62	
2000	December	23.22	16,245.8	4,646.8	11,599.0	5.0	4,191.6	5,544.6	4.05	
2001	December	19.67	21,187.1	8,691.5	12,495.5	-	6,287.8	5,950.0	1.97	2.73
2002	December	19.00	25,985.1	11,447.1	14,538.0	-	8,156.7	7,139.9	1.72	2.16
2003	December	19.00	31,009.4	18,023.8	12,985.6	109.4	12,459.8	6,850.2	1.17	1.47
2004	December	18.00	33,615.7	20,040.9	13,574.8	430.1	14,664.1	10,171.3	1.22	1.36
2005	December	18.00	37,424.5	24,997.9	12,426.6	3,940.2	17,497.7	9,271.4	0.52	0.92
2006	September	17.00	38,846.4	27,505.8	11,340.6	8,182.6	19,253.8	8,510.9	0.52	0.91
	October	17.00	39,293.6	27,951.4	11,342.1	6,324.0	19,565.8	8,450.1	0.52	0.91
	November	17.00	40,131.9	28,519.5	11,612.4	6,584.1	19,963.5	8,654.2	0.52	0.85
	December	17.00	40,736.4	28,966.1	11,770.4	7,332.5	20,257.0	8,780.9	0.52	1.06
2007	January	17.00	41,476.3	29,458.6	12,017.7	8,882.2	20,612.0	8,995.3	0.52	0.80
	February	17.00	42,175.6	29,856.1	12,319.6	10,594.0	20,899.2	9,262.3	0.52	0.96
	March	17.00	42,639.1	30,136.3	12,502.8	12,195.6	21,095.3	9,415.0	0.52	0.79
	April	17.00	42,852.8	30,325.7	12,527.1	12,307.9	21,227.9	9,422.4	0.52	0.82
	May	17.00	43,037.4	30,522.2	12,515.3	11,873.1	21,365.5	9,386.5	0.52	0.76
	June	17.00	42,911.2	30,522.2	12,389.0	10,858.6	21,365.6	9,250.8	0.52	1.03
	July	17.00	43,245.7	30,834.9	12,410.8	9,914.5	21,584.4	9,245.3	0.52	0.97
	August	17.00	43,516.6	31,062.2	12,454.4	9,068.2	21,743.6	9,212.6	0.52	0.93

Table F3: Banks' Reserve Requirements

This table shows data on monthly averages of day-to-day balances of banks' kuna and foreign currency reserve requirements with the CNB. Savings banks are included beginning in July 1999.

Column 3 shows the weighted average reserve requirement ratio as a percentage of the kuna and foreign currency reserve requirements (column 4) in the reserve base.

Reserve requirement (column 4) represents the prescribed amount of funds banks are required to deposit in a special statutory reserve account with the CNB, or to maintain (in average) in their settlement accounts and in vaults, or in accounts of liquid foreign currency claims (which include foreign cash and checks in foreign currency, liquid foreign currency claims maintained in the accounts with the high-grade foreign banks and foreign currency CNB bills).

Column 5 shows the amount of kuna reserve requirements. Between January 1995 and December 2000, this amount corresponded with the statutory reserve requirement instrument, while until December 1994 it comprised two instruments: statutory reserves and liquid assets requirement – LAR (except for the part in which banks were conforming to this requirement by registering CNB bills on a voluntary basis). In December 2000, reserve requirements in kuna and in foreign currency were unified, i.e. reserve requirements rate, periods for calculating, allocating and maintaining reserve requirements were unified, as well as a minimum percentage of the total reserve requirements deposited with the Croatian National Bank. From September 2001 on, column 5 includes also the f/c component of reserve requirements that is set aside/maintained in kuna.

Column 6 shows the amount of foreign currency reserve requirements, i.e. the prescribed amount of funds banks are required to deposit in the CNB's foreign currency accounts, or to maintain (in average) in accounts of liquid claims. Until November 2000, the calculation base consisted of the average daily balances of household foreign currency savings deposits with a remaining maturity of up to 3 months, while starting from December 2000 the base consists of foreign currency sources of funds, including: ordinary foreign currency accounts, special foreign currency accounts, foreign currency accounts and foreign currency sight deposits, received foreign currency deposits and received foreign currency loans, as well as obligations arising from securities issued in foreign currency (excluding banks' equity securities). From November 2001 on, the base includes also hybrid and subordinated instruments.

Column 7 shows the total amount of other obligatory deposits with the CNB, including CNB bills on an obligatory basis, those CNB bills on a voluntary basis used by banks to maintain the prescribed minimal liquidity (LAR), special statutory reserves until July 1995, special reserve requirement on liabilities arising from issued securities from March 2006, statutory reserves on f/c deposits, f/c credits from foreign banks and guarantees for such credits and marginal reserve requirement (from August 2004).

Column 8 shows the portion of the kuna reserve requirement which banks deposit in a statutory reserve account with the CNB (until December 1994, this amount corresponded with the statutory reserve instrument, while since January 1995 a minimum percentage of the total reserve requirement banks are required to deposit in a special statutory reserve account with the CNB has been prescribed). In April 2005, this percentage was set at 70%.

Column 9 shows the portion of the foreign currency reserve requirement which banks deposit in the CNB's foreign currency accounts. The percentage for allocating the foreign currency component of reserve requirements calculated on the basis of foreign currency funds of non-residents and foreign currency funds received from legal persons in a special relationship with a bank amounts to 100%, while the percentage for allocating the remaining portion of

Table F4: Banks' Liquidity Indicators

daily average	s and r	percentages.	million	kuna and %

Year	Month -	Free re	serves	Primary liquidity	Secondary liquidity	Kuna CNB bills	F/c CNB bills	Kuna MoF
Year	Month	In kuna	In f/c	ratio	sources	Kuna CNB bills	F/C CNB bills	treasury bills
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1994	December	119.5		1.72	393.7	210.2	-	-
1995	December	49.4		0.63	199.4	218.7	-	-
1996	December	267.9		2.63	98.5	780.9	-	183.8
1997	December	396.3		2.92	32.7	728.9	-	260.7
1998	December	221.9		1.65	445.5	850.4	1,377.4	141.3
1999	December	179.6		1.30	1,183.6	1,311.1	1,507.6	373.9
2000	December	638.8	10,721.4	3.32	80.1	2,485.3	1,692.7	2,006.5
2001	December	794.4	17,247.4	3.23	2.6	2,656.2	2,630.8	3,360.9
2002	December	1,225.0	10,398.0	3.53	0.6	4,965.5	1,273.9	4,279.5
2003	December	451.6	20,561.4	0.98	501.6	0.0	4,316.0	3,073.2
2004	December	1,495.5	26,126.1	2.64	0.0	0.0	0.0	4,581.7
2005	December	672.5	20,493.4	0.96	0.2	0.0	0.0	4,163.3
2006	September	308.9	17,278.4	0.32	0.0	0.0	0.0	5,322.3
	October	403.0	20,011.2	0.41	25.3	0.0	0.0	5,196.8
	November	483.8	20,020.1	0.49	0.0	0.0	0.0	6,912.6
	December	840.8	20,239.1	0.83	0.0	0.0	0.0	5,993.7
2007	January	560.9	19,754.3	0.55	0.1	0.0	0.0	6,830.1
	February	465.9	17,987.7	0.45	5.8	0.0	0.0	5,731.7
	March	599.2	17,066.6	0.58	5.7	0.0	0.0	4,954.9
	April	523.5	17,941.3	0.50	5.8	0.0	0.0	3,990.1
	Мау	604.4	18,619.1	0.57	5.7	0.0	0.0	2,954.1
	June	862.0	20,836.6	0.81	30.6	0.0	0.0	3,629.0
	July	948.2	22,189.3	0.87	61.0	0.0	0.0	2,502.7
	August	756.4	24,793.4	0.69	5.7	0.0	0.0	3,766.6

the foreign currency component of reserve requirements amounts to 60%.

Column 10 shows the weighted average remuneration rate on all forms of immobilised kuna funds which include reserve requirements and other obligatory deposits with the CNB.

Column 11 shows the weighted average remuneration rate on allocated funds in foreign currency, including the marginal reserve requirement funds (from August 2004 on). From June 2005 on, the CNB pays remuneration equalling 50% of the US Federal Funds Target Rate for the funds allocated in US dollars and 50% of the ECB Minimum Bid Refinance Rate for the funds allocated in euros. In both cases the rate in effect on the day of allocation is applied.

Table F4: Banks' Liquidity Indicators

The table reports monthly averages of day-to-day balances of some indicators of banks' liquidity. Savings banks are included beginning in July 1999.

Column 3 shows free reserves in kuna, defined as bank's total reserves (in settlement accounts and in vaults) decreased by the minimal average settlement account and vault balance, as prescribed by instruments of the CNB.

Column 4 shows free reserves in foreign currency, defined as

funds for the maintenance of foreign currency reserve requirements (foreign cash and checks in foreign currency, liquid foreign currency claims maintained in the accounts with the high-grade foreign banks and foreign currency CNB bills) decreased by the minimal required balance of these funds in the same period.

Column 5 shows the primary liquidity ratio as a percentage of monthly day-to-day kuna free reserves averages (column 3) in monthly day-to-day averages of deposits which constitute the reserve base.

Column 6 shows the monthly average of day-to-day balances of secondary liquidity sources used. Secondary liquidity sources comprise: Lombard credits (since December 1994), short-term liquidity credits (since February 1999) and overdue liabilities to the CNB.

Column 7 reports the monthly average of day-to-day balances of kuna CNB bills on a voluntary basis (until December 1994, this amount is decreased by the portion of voluntarily registered CNB bills used by banks to maintain the prescribed minimal liquidity).

Column 8 reports the monthly average of day-to-day balances of foreign currency CNB bills on a voluntary basis (in EUR and USD).

Column 9 reports the monthly average of day-to-day balances of kuna MoF treasury bills. Until September 2002, it shows the discounted value of treasury bills, while starting from October 2002, it shows their nominal value.

Table G1: Banks' Interest Rates on Kuna Credits Not Indexed to Foreign Currency

weighted averages of mor	hthly interest rates	s, in % on annual basis	;

		Money market	interest rates	Interest rates on kuna credits not indexed to foreign currency										
						On she	ort-term crea	dits		0	n long-term cr	edits		
Year	Month	On overnight	On other	Total	Tetel			Households	;	Tetel				
		credits	credits	average	Total average	Enterprises	Total average	Credit lines	Other	Total average	Enterprises	Households		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13		
1994	December	8.50	17.76	15.39	15.43					13.82				
1995	December	27.26	27.15	22.32	22.56	22.23	23.81	23.75	25.58	13.48	13.39	14.38		
1996	December	9.66	10.72	18.46	19.35	19.18	20.18	19.90	23.12	11.51	11.29	14.28		
1997	December	8.46	9.49	14.06	14.12	13.17	19.26	19.34	18.11	13.24	12.98	13.75		
1998	December	10.00	15.91	16.06	16.22	14.89	20.77	20.80	19.92	11.73	11.48	13.16		
1999	December	9.92	12.78	13.54	13.52	10.55	20.83	20.84	20.39	15.14	15.31	14.16		
2000	December	2.39	4.45	10.45	10.45	6.81	20.30	20.33	19.05	9.90	9.64	12.97		
2001	December	2.49	2.18	9.51	9.49	5.43	18.81	18.85	14.88	11.42	10.06	13.14		
2002	December	1.58	1.89	10.91	11.24	7.44	15.16	15.28	9.84	7.32	6.48	7.88		
2003	December	5.47	7.02	11.45	11.80	8.02	14.89	15.01	12.38	8.51	6.14	10.69		
2004	December	3.55	6.02	11.44	11.71	8.33	14.19	14.27	12.29	9.31	6.90	11.16		
2005	December	2.29	3.61	9.91	9.99	7.71	11.26	13.18	5.35	8.75	6.48	10.35		
2006	September	2.34	3.26	9.45	9.62	7.14	11.00	13.44	4.59	8.52	5.97	9.91		
	October	2.13	3.43	9.61	9.86	6.94	11.60	13.54	4.58	8.12	6.09	9.75		
	November	1.23	3.32	9.50	9.78	6.69	12.28	13.51	4.63	8.05	6.32	9.43		
	December	2.02	3.52	9.07	9.37	6.75	11.84	13.21	4.67	7.53	5.86	9.44		
2007	January	1.79	3.57	9.56	9.72	6.92	11.96	13.10	4.54	8.54	6.35	9.45		
	February	2.19	3.79	9.59	9.83	7.03	12.10	13.18	4.71	8.40	6.79	9.39		
	March	2.68	3.60	8.99	9.45	6.68	12.14	13.17	4.82	7.44	5.79	9.17		
	April	3.24	3.76	9.36	9.64	6.80	12.22	13.16	5.08	8.11	6.38	9.07		
	May	3.84	4.27	9.21	9.52	6.74	12.23	13.16	5.55	7.96	6.54	8.79		
	June	5.11	5.54	9.28	9.69	7.03	12.29	13.18	5.12	7.84	6.52	8.77		
	July	4.87	6.50	9.13	9.51	6.77	12.30	13.17	5.34	7.75	6.64	8.45		
	August	2.85	4.25	9.46	10.02	7.12	12.16	13.23	4.95	7.42	6.53	7.95		
elative sid	gnificance ^a	-	-	82.83	64.96	27.57	37.39	32.56	4.83	17.87	6.67	11.20		

^a Relative significance is calculated as a percentage of corresponding credit category in total credits disbursed in the reporting month (according to data for the last period included in the table). Note: A break in the time series occurred due to changes in the methodology used in interest rate statistics as of 1 January 2001. This especially refers to interest rates shown in columns 5, 6 and 7. Interbank credits, which bear relatively low interest rates, were, among others, excluded from short-term credits to enterprises. The increase in interest rates was also caused by the weighting method: all categories are weighted by the amounts of newly-granted credits, except credit lines whose relative share grew in the new coverage, which are weighted by book balances.

Table G1: Banks' Interest Rates on Kuna Credits Not Indexed to Foreign Currency

The table contains the weighted averages of banks' monthly interest rates on kuna credits not indexed to f/c, reported on a yearly basis.

Up to December 2001, data refer to the weighted averages of banks' monthly interest rates on kuna credits not indexed to f/c granted to legal persons (which included enterprises, the public sector, financial institutions, non-profit institutions and non-residents) and households, reported on a yearly basis. Savings banks are not covered.

From January 2002 on, data refer to the weighted averages of banks' monthly interest rates on kuna credits not indexed to f/c granted only to enterprises (public and other) and households, reported on a yearly basis.

Up to February 1996, columns 3 and 4 show interest rates on the interbank money market, according to information published by the Zagreb Money Market (ZMM). From March 1996 on, interest rates on the money market are calculated as the weighted monthly averages of the weighted daily interest rates and shown separately for trading in overnight credits and trading in other credits on the ZMM. In the period between May 1998 and January 2001, the repayment of credits granted on the interbank overnight market was guaranteed by banks' required reserves with the CNB.

Columns 5 through 13 show the weighted averages of banks' monthly interest rates classified by maturity and sectors. Interest rates on short-term credits to enterprises also include interest rates on callable loans.

Data on banks' interest rates on kuna credits not indexed to f/c are based on banks' periodic reports. The basis for the calculation of the weighted averages are amounts of credits bearing corresponding interest rates, which were disbursed during the reporting month, with the exception of interest rates on giro and current account credit lines, for which the weighted averages were calculated based on the balance of these loans at the end of the reporting month.

Table G2: Banks' Interest Rates on Kuna Credits Indexed to Foreign Currency and on Credits in Euros

weighted averages of monthly interest rates, in % on annual basis

			Interest rates on credits in euros										
			0	n short-term ci	redits		On lo	ng-term cre	edits				
Year	Month	Total							Households		Total	On short-term	On long-term
		average	Total average	Enterprises	Households	Total average	Enterprises	Total average	Housing credits	Other	average	credits	credits
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
1994	December	11.99	12.38			11.65							
1995	December	19.56	21.62	21.09	18.10	14.33	15.79	10.48			17.18	19.06	12.27
1996	December	18.97	22.56	22.40	27.00	12.12	13.15	11.30			19.50	21.46	10.77
1997	December	14.40	16.92	17.00	14.02	12.25	13.00	11.02			13.61	14.95	9.71
1998	December	13.04	14.28	14.25	13.64	11.15	10.55	12.12			6.95	8.37	5.71
1999	December	12.53	13.66	13.54	17.21	10.81	10.46	11.65			6.75	7.43	6.07
2000	December	10.74	11.17	11.10	13.59	10.52	9.41	11.64			7.70	7.49	8.05
2001	December	9.29	9.45	9.45	11.30	9.20	7.52	10.79			5.94	5.70	7.27
2002	December	8.25	9.34	8.72	11.37	7.98	6.37	9.50	7.42	10.11	5.91	6.66	5.44
2003	December	7.07	7.21	7.00	8.66	7.03	5.76	8.04	6.02	9.70	5.62	6.22	5.18
2004	December	6.89	7.25	7.09	8.47	6.77	5.55	7.73	5.71	8.79	5.34	5.92	4.83
2005	December	6.18	6.52	6.34	7.91	6.07	5.18	6.98	4.95	8.10	5.29	5.28	5.30
2006	September	6.40	6.31	6.09	7.36	6.42	5.80	6.73	4.86	8.15	5.22	5.24	5.19
	October	6.38	6.79	6.33	7.98	6.26	6.18	6.31	4.84	7.81	5.52	5.24	5.75
	November	6.20	5.99	5.74	7.33	6.26	6.14	6.33	4.74	7.74	6.08	5.95	6.33
	December	6.30	6.56	6.29	8.33	6.22	6.21	6.22	4.75	7.57	5.65	6.19	5.34
2007	January	6.15	6.39	6.11	7.75	6.10	5.84	6.28	4.75	7.73	6.00	6.31	5.64
	February	6.31	6.33	6.06	7.60	6.31	6.11	6.40	4.80	7.80	6.01	6.05	5.93
	March	6.33	6.53	6.44	6.80	6.30	6.03	6.44	4.87	7.69	6.12	6.15	6.09
	April	6.11	6.69	6.51	7.15	6.01	5.93	6.06	4.85	7.39	6.15	6.17	6.12
	May	6.12	6.56	6.59	6.49	6.05	6.32	5.91	4.90	7.11	6.28	6.41	6.03
	June	5.98	6.54	6.53	6.59	5.89	5.81	5.97	4.86	7.11	6.32	6.32	6.32
	July	6.11	6.33	6.20	7.17	6.05	5.96	6.15	4.92	7.26	6.52	6.58	6.44
	August	6.46	6.86	6.96	6.19	6.37	6.28	6.46	4.92	7.71	6.71	6.82	6.40
elative si	qnificance ^a	13.66	2.53	2.20	0.33	11.13	5.16	5.97	2.68	3.29	3.51	2.63	0.88

^a Relative significance is calculated as a percentage of corresponding credit category in total credits disbursed in the reporting month (according to data for the last period included in the table).

Table G2: Banks' Interest Rates on Kuna Credits Indexed to Foreign Currency and on Credits in Euros

Data on banks' interest rates on kuna credits indexed to f/c and on credits in euros are based on banks' periodic reports. The basis for the calculation of the weighted averages are amounts of credits bearing corresponding interest rates, which were disbursed during the reporting month.

The table contains the weighted averages of banks' monthly interest rates on kuna credits indexed to f/c and on credits in euros, reported on a yearly basis.

Up to December 2001, data refer to the weighted averages of banks' monthly interest rates on kuna credits indexed to f/c and on credits in euros (or German marks) granted to legal persons (which included enterprises, the public sector, financial institutions, non-profit institutions and non-residents) and households, reported on a yearly basis. Savings banks are not covered.

From January 2002 on, data refer to the weighted averages of banks' monthly interest rates on kuna credits indexed to f/c and on credits in euros granted only to enterprises (public and other) and households, reported on a yearly basis.

Columns 3 through 11 show the weighted averages of banks' monthly interest rates classified by maturity and sectors. Interest rates on short-term credits to enterprises also include interest rates on callable loans.

Up to December 2001, interest rates on credits in euros (columns 12, 13 and 14) refer to credits released in German marks in the reporting month, and starting from January 2002, they refer to credits released in euros, while the weighted averages are calculated based on their kuna equivalent using the current exchange rate. Credits released in other currencies are not included in this table.

Table G3: Banks' Interest Rates on Kuna Deposits Not Indexed to Foreign Currency

weighted averages of monthly interest rates, in % on annual basis

	_			Intere	st rates on kuna	deposits not ind	exed to foreign cu	rrency		
			-				On time deposits			
Year	Month	Total	In giro and current	Total	Or	n short-term depo	sits	0	n long-term depo	sits
		average	accounts	average	Total average	Households	Enterprises	Total average	Households	Enterprises
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
1994	December	5.03	3.55	9.65						
1995	December	6.10	3.88	13.65	13.80	10.56	14.28	9.88	10.67	9.62
1996	December	4.15	2.19	10.19	10.11	9.84	10.26	12.36	15.49	9.88
1997	December	4.35	2.19	9.10	9.08	9.30	8.96	9.48	11.24	8.06
1998	December	4.11	2.31	7.73	7.63	9.47	7.15	10.19	10.72	9.56
1999	December	4.27	2.24	8.87	8.79	9.62	8.38	10.96	11.56	10.18
2000	December	3.40	1.64	7.20	7.13	7.44	7.03	8.89	9.19	8.63
2001	December	2.76	1.40	5.68	5.60	6.35	5.38	7.35	7.93	6.70
2002	December	1.55	0.94	3.64	3.53	4.39	2.86	6.05	7.24	3.23
2003	December	1.66	0.75	4.46	4.46	3.62	4.69	4.58	4.90	2.82
2004	December	1.83	0.74	4.11	4.11	3.93	4.13	4.10	4.65	3.30
2005	December	1.58	0.61	3.36	3.34	3.89	3.23	4.12	5.04	3.49
2006	September	1.79	0.54	3.45	3.43	4.05	3.27	4.04	4.82	2.60
	October	1.85	0.55	3.53	3.51	4.10	3.33	4.36	4.80	3.13
	November	1.88	0.55	3.10	2.92	3.99	2.55	3.92	4.79	3.82
	December	1.91	0.56	2.98	2.94	4.10	2.69	4.32	4.98	3.11
2007	January	2.06	0.54	3.56	3.43	4.15	3.12	4.07	4.72	3.97
	February	2.07	0.53	3.46	3.41	4.13	3.12	4.46	4.85	3.65
	March	2.05	0.54	3.48	3.34	4.04	3.10	4.13	4.82	4.02
	April	2.06	0.54	3.58	3.44	4.03	3.24	4.28	5.20	4.14
	Мау	2.16	0.55	3.75	3.65	4.12	3.50	4.32	5.20	4.16
	June	2.40	0.55	4.55	4.52	4.12	4.63	4.75	5.15	4.68
	July	2.45	0.49	4.95	4.86	4.20	5.02	5.88	5.30	6.03
	August	2.37	0.48	4.25	4.14	4.31	4.10	5.20	5.51	5.13
elative sigr	nificancea	57.00	34.02	19.77	17.71	3.14	14.57	2.06	0.42	1.64

^a Relative significance is calculated as a percentage of corresponding deposit category in total deposits received in the reporting month (according to data for the last period included in the table).

Table G3: Banks' Interest Rates on Kuna Deposits Not Indexed to Foreign Currency

on total kuna deposits (giro and current accounts, household savings deposits and time deposits) not indexed to f/c.

The table contains the weighted averages of banks' monthly interest rates on kuna deposits not indexed to f/c, reported on a yearly basis.

Up to December 2001, data refer to the weighted averages of banks' monthly interest rates on kuna deposits not indexed to f/c received from legal persons (which included enterprises, the public sector, financial institutions, non-profit institutions and non-residents) and households, reported on a yearly basis. Savings banks are not covered.

From January 2002 on, data refer to the weighted averages of banks' monthly interest rates on kuna deposits not indexed to f/c received from enterprises (public and other) and households, reported on a yearly basis.

Data on banks' interest rates on kuna deposits not indexed to f/c are based on banks' periodic reports.

Column 3 reports the weighted averages of monthly interest rates

Column 4 shows the weighted averages of monthly interest rates on deposits in giro and current accounts not indexed to f/c received from enterprises (until December 2001, all legal persons) and households, and column 5 shows the weighted averages of monthly interest rates on total time deposits not indexed to f/c.

The basis for the calculation of the weighted averages for kuna time deposits not indexed to f/c are the amounts of those deposits received during the reporting month. The basis for the calculation of the weighted averages for deposits in giro and current accounts are the end-of-month book balances of those deposits. The averages of interest rates on total kuna deposits not indexed to f/c (column 3) are weighted by the end-of-month balances of all categories included in the calculation.

Kuna and foreign currency deposits used as collateral for credit are included, while restricted deposits (deposits used for payment of imports and other restricted deposits) are not included into the calculation of the weighted averages.

Table G4a: Banks' Interest Rates on Kuna Deposits Indexed to Foreign Currency and on Foreign Currency Deposits

weighted averages of monthly interest rates, in % on annual basis

		h	nterest rates on savir	ngs	Interest rates on foreign currency deposits							
Veee	Manth	and	time deposits indexe	d to f/c			Sa	avings deposits				
Year	Month	Total	On short-term	On long-term	Total average	Total	House	eholds	Enter	orises		
		average	deposits	deposits		average	EUR	USD	EUR	USD		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11		
1994	December	6.95										
1995	December	12.69	11.46	19.36	4.57	2.82	3.53	4.20	1.10	1.53		
1996	December	9.46	9.56	8.80	5.09	1.44	1.32	1.95	1.47	1.39		
1997	December	7.63	7.24	11.77	4.77	1.75	1.89	2.43	0.83	1.40		
1998	December	7.47	7.67	5.58	3.98	2.09	2.38	2.40	0.72	0.74		
1999	December	6.62	6.91	1.10	4.23	1.80	1.95	2.04	0.78	1.30		
2000	December	5.54	5.94	2.16	3.47	1.03	0.99	1.23	0.65	1.29		
2001	December	4.58	4.92	2.56	2.60	0.71	0.71	0.81	0.82	0.40		
2002	December	2.92	3.45	1.48	2.55	0.50	0.52	0.41	0.52	0.38		
2003	December	3.48	3.74	5.55	2.22	0.31	0.35	0.23	0.23	0.15		
2004	December	4.17	3.61	5.19	2.65	0.31	0.34	0.22	0.22	0.2		
2005	December	3.99	3.63	4.77	2.61	0.27	0.27	0.17	0.27	0.76		
2006	September	4.46	3.88	5.05	2.78	0.25	0.23	0.16	0.33	0.63		
	October	4.21	3.50	5.66	2.87	0.26	0.23	0.17	0.36	0.69		
	November	3.66	3.52	3.36	2.91	0.25	0.23	0.17	0.34	0.59		
	December	3.67	3.30	4.07	2.94	0.25	0.23	0.17	0.32	0.44		
2007	January	3.85	3.98	4.22	2.99	0.25	0.23	0.16	0.37	0.40		
	February	3.96	3.56	4.31	3.01	0.25	0.23	0.17	0.34	0.46		
	March	4.15	3.52	4.46	3.04	0.25	0.23	0.16	0.33	0.4		
	April	3.85	3.54	4.37	3.13	0.25	0.23	0.16	0.35	0.43		
	May	3.71	3.58	4.51	3.11	0.25	0.24	0.17	0.36	0.4		
	June	3.89	3.74	4.58	3.08	0.26	0.24	0.17	0.35	0.5		
	July	3.68	3.89	4.76	3.22	0.25	0.23	0.17	0.34	0.4		
	August	3.96 ^b	3.79	4.74	3.33	0.26	0.23	0.17	0.33	0.60		
lative sig	nificance ^a	1.36	1.11	0.24	41.64	22.74	15.84	2.01	4.35	0.5		

^a Relative significance is calculated as a percentage of corresponding deposit category in total deposits received in the reporting month (according to data for the last period included in the table). ^b Of the total amount of deposits to which this interest rate refers, 23.12 percent refers to enterprises.

Table G4a and b: Banks' Interest Rates on Kuna Deposits Indexed to Foreign Currency and on Foreign Currency Deposits

The table contains the weighted averages of banks' monthly interest rates on kuna deposits indexed to f/c and on foreign currency deposits, reported on a yearly basis.

Up to December 2001, data refer to the weighted averages of banks' monthly interest rates on kuna deposits indexed to f/c and on foreign currency deposits received from legal persons (which included enterprises, the public sector, financial institutions, non-profit institutions and non-residents) and households, reported on a yearly basis. Savings banks are not covered.

From January 2002 on, data refer to the weighted averages of banks' monthly interest rates on kuna deposits indexed to f/c and on foreign currency deposits received from enterprises (public and other) and households, reported on a yearly basis.

Data on banks' interest rates on kuna deposits indexed to f/c and on foreign currency deposits are based on banks' periodic reports.

Column 3 reports the weighted averages of monthly interest rates on total kuna savings and time deposits indexed to f/c received from enterprises (until December 2001, all legal persons) and households, whereas the weighted averages of monthly interest rates on time deposits are shown in column 4 (short-term deposits) and column 5 (long-term deposits) respectively.

Up to December 2001, interest rates on foreign currency deposits refer to deposits received in German marks or US dollars, and starting from January 2002, they refer to deposits received in euros and US dollars, while the weighted averages are calculated based on their kuna equivalent using the current exchange rate. Deposits received in other currencies are not included in this table.

The basis for the calculation of the weighted averages for kuna time deposits indexed to f/c and foreign currency time deposits are the amounts of those deposits received during the reporting month. The basis for the calculation of the weighted averages for savings deposits indexed to f/c are the end-of-month book balances of those deposits. From January 2002 on, the averages of interest rates on total kuna deposits indexed to f/c (column 3) are weighted by the end-of-month balances of all categories included in the calculation.

The average interest rate on total foreign currency deposits (column 6) refers to the weighted average of monthly interest rates on savings and time deposits indexed to f/c, which are weighted by the end-of-month balances of all categories included in the calculation.

The basis for the calculation of the weighted averages of monthly interest rates on total foreign currency savings deposits (column 7) are the end-of-month balances of those deposits.

The basis for the calculation of the weighted averages of monthly interest rates on total foreign currency time deposits (column 12) are the amounts of those deposits received during the reporting month. The same basis is applied in calculating the weighted averages of monthly interest rates on total short-term foreign currency deposits (column 13) and on total long-term foreign currency deposits (column 18).

Table G4b: Banks' Interest Rates on Kuna Deposits Indexed to Foreign Currency and on Foreign Currency Deposits

weighted averages of monthly interest rates, in % on annual basis

					1	nterest rates	on foreign cu	rrency deposits	;			
						0	n time depos	its				
Year	Month			On s	hort-term dep	osits			On I	ong-term dep	osits	
		Total average	Total	House	holds	Enter	orises	Total	House	holds	Enter	orises
			average	EUR	USD	EUR	USD	average	EUR	USD	EUR	USD
1	2	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
1994	December											
1995	December	6.83	6.66	7.10	6.97	5.86	6.68	8.73	8.78	8.81	3.27	4.50
1996	December	7.77	6.95	5.65	6.21	9.86	5.47	12.24	7.71	7.97	19.92	1.50
1997	December	6.36	6.07	6.03	6.42	5.09	7.10	7.32	7.87	8.71	5.09	6.76
1998	December	4.89	4.49	5.42	6.16	2.84	5.37	7.29	7.68	8.59	4.93	6.92
1999	December	5.43	5.17	4.93	6.39	3.97	6.00	6.59	6.64	8.09	3.66	6.77
2000	December	4.57	4.36	3.65	5.15	4.59	6.62	5.56	5.17	6.61	5.97	8.53
2001	December	3.54	3.35	3.42	3.23	3.60	2.44	4.59	4.72	4.42	4.58	0.23
2002	December	3.13	2.96	3.27	2.21	2.89	1.43	4.59	4.69	3.84	3.46	2.30
2003	December	2.64	2.46	2.83	1.65	2.29	1.08	3.69	4.71	3.13	2.85	1.64
2004	December	2.85	2.65	3.01	1.69	2.46	2.28	4.20	4.85	3.13	3.61	2.65
2005	December	3.07	2.94	2.99	1.76	2.63	4.34	3.69	4.25	0.48	4.39	-
2006	September	3.53	3.50	3.09	1.89	3.83	5.66	3.74	4.55	1.01	4.06	-
	October	3.71	3.63	3.19	2.02	3.99	5.68	4.25	4.58	2.07	4.37	6.86
	November	3.77	3.69	3.20	2.03	4.09	5.68	4.31	4.62	1.79	4.34	4.89
	December	3.82	3.76	3.16	2.05	4.24	5.84	4.25	4.47	2.26	4.79	4.61
2007	January	3.80	3.71	3.19	2.14	4.39	5.78	4.44	4.51	3.32	3.79	6.29
	February	3.86	3.77	3.21	2.15	4.50	5.88	4.45	4.54	3.97	2.65	2.00
	March	3.87	3.77	3.16	2.08	4.59	5.89	4.47	4.56	3.71	3.95	1.81
	April	3.92	3.84	3.16	2.10	4.74	5.96	4.53	4.59	3.89	4.24	_
	May	4.00	3.93	3.21	2.09	4.51	5.57	4.52	4.58	3.64	4.17	5.17
	June	4.05	4.02	3.20	2.16	4.80	5.72	4.30	4.31	3.71	4.94	-
	July	4.23	4.17	3.28	2.11	4.87	6.02	4.69	4.71	3.84	5.25	2.96
	August	4.16	4.05	3.43	2.24	4.67	5.89	4.79	4.80	3.90	5.49	
elative sigr		18.90	16.24	8.29	0.61	5.89	1.44	2.67	2.45	0.12	0.10	

^a Relative significance is calculated as a percentage of corresponding deposit category in total deposits received in the reporting month (according to data for the last period included in the table).

Table G5: Banks' Trade with Foreign Exchange

million euros, current exchange rate

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	0000		20	007		
	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	Mar.	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.ª
A. Purchase of foreign exchange											
1. Legal persons	5,012.4	4,727.8	6,433.1	7,465.3	8,443.5	14,442.7	1,362.0	1,511.1	2,339.2	1,663.7	1,790.3
2. Natural persons	3,339.9	3,342.6	3,571.6	3,934.4	4,931.8	6,262.7	418.0	452.6	639.3	551.0	843.3
2.1. Residents	2,684.5	2,842.0	3,103.3	3,586.1	4,662.6	5,909.4	393.0	385.0	533.3	-	-
2.2. Non-residents	655.4	500.7	468.2	348.3	269.2	353.2	25.0	67.6	106.0	-	-
3. Domestic banks	3,985.8	4,104.5	6,324.4	10,799.3	9,069.9	14,380.1	1,518.0	1,536.5	1,308.3	1,026.7	1,443.3
4. Foreign banks	-	697.9	1,430.6	1,426.2	2,602.3	5,056.8	614.0	282.1	346.4	202.0	212.6
5. Croatian National Bank	481.7	294.3	438.3	33.0	0.0	125.5	-	-	-	-	-
Total (1+2+3+4)	12,819.8	13,167.1	18,197.9	24,110.1	25,106.0	40,439.5	3,912.0	3,782.3	4,633.1	3,443.4	4,289.4
B. Sale of foreign exchange											
1. Legal persons	8,534.2	9,029.3	10,852.4	11,280.3	13,022.3	17,515.0	1,795.5	1,989.3	2,154.4	2,116.2	2,376.4
2. Natural persons	1,253.5	1,333.6	1,403.1	1,671.1	2,722.5	4,109.1	276.6	199.0	402.8	323.4	214.8
2.1. Residents	1,252.3	1,329.7	1,393.1	1,654.5	2,693.9	4,056.4	271.6	191.9	390.5	-	-
2.2. Non-residents	1.2	3.9	10.0	16.6	28.6	52.6	5.0	7.0	12.3	-	-
3. Domestic banks	3,985.8	4,104.5	6,324.4	10,799.3	9,069.9	14,380.1	1,518.0	1,536.5	1,308.3	1,026.7	1,443.3
4. Foreign banks	-	334.3	765.3	1,001.1	1,407.1	3,526.1	168.4	371.7	529.4	251.2	359.3
5. Croatian National Bank	915.7	745.3	84.5	543.2	670.8	1,329.5	-	0.0	139.0	-	-
Total (1+2+3+4)	14,689.2	15,547.0	19,429.7	25,295.0	26,892.7	40,859.7	3,758.5	4,096.5	4,533.9	3,717.5	4,393.7
C. Net purchase (A-B)											
1. Legal persons	-3,521.8	-4,301.5	-4,419.4	-3,815.1	-4,578.8	-3,072.3	-433.4	-478.2	184.7	-452.5	-586.2
2. Natural persons	2,086.4	2,009.0	2,168.4	2,263.3	2,209.3	2,153.6	141.4	253.7	236.5	227.6	628.5
2.1. Residents	1,432.2	1,512.3	1,710.2	1,931.6	1,968.7	1,853.0	121.4	193.1	142.8	-	-
2.2. Non-residents	654.2	496.7	458.2	331.7	240.6	300.6	20.0	60.6	93.7	-	-
3. Foreign banks	-	363.6	665.3	425.1	1,195.2	1,530.7	445.6	-89.6	-183.0	-49.2	-146.7
4. Croatian National Bank	-434.0	-451.0	353.8	-510.2	-670.8	-1,204.0	-	-	-139.0	-	-
Total (1+2+3)	-1,869.4	-2,379.9	-1,231.8	-1,636.9	-1,845.2	-592.1	153.5	-314.2	99.3	-274.1	-104.3
Memo items: Other Croatian National E	Bank transaction	S									
Purchase of foreign exchange	536.8	197.5	570.9	145.1	-	3.1	0.2	0.6	0.2	-	0.3
Sale of foreign exchange	2.6	3.4	94.9	239.3	167.6	441.3	64.9	5.0	-	0.0	3.3
^a Preliminary data											

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Note: In the period from January 1994 to September 2001 all foreign exchange sale and purchase transactions in banks' reports delivered to the CNB were recorded based on realised sale/purchase transaction regardless of the contracted term for realisation and were as such transferred into the Table on Banks' Trade with Foreign Exchange. As of the of change in the reporting scope dated 1 October 2001 reports contain data on contracted sale and purchase of foreign exchange by spot, forward and swap transactions. Based on the aforesaid the data for 2002, 2003 and 2004 have been revised so as to include only the data on contracted spot transactions with banks no longer included into the "legal persons" category.

Table G5: Banks' Trade with Foreign Exchange

Data on trade with foreign exchange between banks comprise the spot purchase and sale of foreign exchange in domestic foreign exchange market. Spot transactions are contracted obligations to buy/ sell foreign currency within maximally 48 hours.

The transactions are classified by category of participants (legal and natural persons, domestic and foreign banks and the CNB). Sources of data are banks' reports on trading with foreign exchange and statistical data on external payment operations.

Other Croatian National Bank transactions include foreign exchange sales and purchases on behalf of the Ministry of Finance.

Table H1: Balance of Payments – Summary

million euros

	2001 ^a	2002 ^a	2003 ^a	2004 ^a	2005ª	2006 ^a	20	007
	2001	2002	2000	2004	2000	2000	Q1ª	Q2 ^b
A. CURRENT ACCOUNT (1+6)	-820.8	-2,098.7	-1,888.8	-1,453.6	-1,988.0	-2,646.5	-2,022.3	-1,349.7
1. Goods, services, and income (2+5)	-1,920.3	-3,250.8	-3,133.3	-2,645.4	-3,171.8	-3,752.7	-2,267.7	-1,612.2
1.1. Credit	11,293.4	11,590.1	13,590.1	14,853.6	15,884.1	17,817.5	3,090.1	4,802.2
1.2. Debit	-13,213.7	-14,841.0	-16,723.5	-17,499.1	-19,055.9	-21,570.2	-5,357.8	-6,414.4
2. Goods and services (3+4)	-1,292.3	-2,673.1	-2,038.1	-1,955.3	-2,200.2	-2,633.8	-2,049.8	-1,014.7
2.1. Credit	10,808.8	11,127.9	13,140.6	14,243.5	15,272.9	16,997.7	2,819.4	4,492.6
2.2. Debit	-12,101.1	-13,801.0	-15,178.7	-16,198.8	-17,473.2	-19,631.5	-4,869.1	-5,507.3
3. Goods	-4,595.2	-5,957.9	-6,971.2	-6,724.2	-7,518.0	-8,344.2	-2,159.2	-2,534.7
3.1.Credit	5,327.5	5,295.6	5,574.7	6,606.8	7,220.3	8,463.6	2,046.3	2,295.2
3.2.Debit	-9,922.6	-11,253.5	-12,545.9	-13,330.9	-14,738.3	-16,807.8	-4,205.5	-4,829.9
4. Services	3,302.8	3,284.8	4,933.0	4,768.9	5,317.7	5,710.4	109.4	1,520.0
4.1.Credit	5,481.3	5,832.3	7,565.9	7,636.7	8,052.6	8,534.1	773.0	2,197.4
4.2.Debit	-2,178.5	-2,547.5	-2,632.8	-2,867.8	-2,734.9	-2,823.7	-663.6	-677.4
5. Income	-627.9	-577.7	-1,095.2	-690.1	-971.5	-1,118.9	-218.0	-597.5
5.1.Credit	484.7	462.3	449.5	610.2	611.2	819.8	270.7	309.6
5.2.Debit	-1,112.6	-1,040.0	-1,544.7	-1,300.3	-1,582.7	-1,938.7	-488.7	-907.1
6. Current transfers	1,099.5	1,152.2	1,244.5	1,191.8	1,183.8	1,106.2	245.5	262.5
6.1.Credit	1,333.3	1,453.2	1,538.7	1,584.6	1,628.4	1,638.3	356.1	391.9
6.2.Debit	-233.8	-301.1	-294.2	-392.8	-444.6	-532.1	-110.6	-129.4
B. CAPITAL AND FINANCIAL ACCOUNT	1,005.1	2,538.0	2,716.9	2,597.3	3,002.3	3,692.9	1,233.1	1,338.6
B1. Capital account	158.3	521.6	101.9	31.4	53.8	-133.8	6.0	9.0
B2. Financial account, excl. reserves	2,395.8	2,758.3	3,850.5	2,608.9	3,770.3	5,238.9	2,035.2	993.7
1. Direct investment	1,257.7	530.8	1,656.9	670.8	1,275.8	2,549.0	1,223.4	794.2
1.1. Abroad	-209.8	-607.1	-105.5	-278.8	-192.1	-164.0	-90.0	-41.6
1.2. In Croatia	1,467.5	1,137.9	1,762.4	949.6	1,467.9	2,713.0	1,313.4	835.7
2. Portfolio investment	687.1	-437.7	867.6	266.5	-1,187.9	-527.2	-378.6	7.7
2.1. Assets	-143.2	-650.5	121.6	-756.7	-581.3	-459.7	-301.3	-337.7
2.2. Liabilities	830.3	212.9	746.0	1,023.2	-606.7	-67.5	-77.3	345.4
3. Financial derivatives	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-88.4	0.0	0.0	0.0
4. Other investment	451.0	2,665.1	1,326.0	1,671.6	3,770.8	3,217.1	1,190.4	191.9
4.1. Assets	396.1	460.0	-2,216.9	-452.0	976.6	-673.9	328.0	-195.4
4.2. Liabilities	54.8	2,205.0	3,542.9	2,123.6	2,794.2	3,891.0	862.4	387.3
B3. Reserve assets	-1,549.0	-741.9	-1,235.5	-43.0	-821.8	-1,412.2	-808.2	335.9
C. NET ERRORS AND OMISSIONS	-184.4	-439.3	-828.1	-1,143.7	-1,014.3	-1,046.4	789.2	11.1

^a Revised data. ^b Preliminary data. Note: The item net errors and omissions also comprises the counter entry of a part of revenues from travel services which relates to such revenues not stated in the banks' records.

Table: H1-H6: Balance of Payments

The balance of payments of the Republic of Croatia represents a systematic overview of the value of economic transactions performed by the Croatian residents with foreign countries within a particular period. It is compiled in accordance with the recommendations of the International Monetary Fund (Balance of Payments Manual, Fifth Edition, 1993). Data sources include: 1. reports of the government institutions (Central Bureau of Statistics and Croatian Institute for Health Insurance), 2. special reports of the Croatian National Bank (International Transaction Reporting System (ITRS), external debt relations, monetary statistics and reserve assets) and 3. estimates and statistical research carried out by the Croatian National Bank.

Balance of payments of the Republic of Croatia data are reported in three currencies: in euros (EUR), US dollars (USD) and domestic currency (HRK). In all cases, the same data sources are used and the same principles regarding the scope of transactions and the procedures for compiling particular items are applied. Since the original data are reported in different currencies, the transaction values are converted from the original currency into the reporting currency by applying the exchange rate from the CNB exchange rate list in one of the following manners:

- by applying the midpoint exchange rate on the date of the transaction:
- by applying the average monthly or quarterly midpoint exchange rate in the case the transaction date is not available;
- by applying the end-of-period exchange rate for the calculation of a change in the transaction value between the two periods; the end-of-period balances reported in the original currency serve as a basis for calculating the change in the original currency value, which is converted, by applying the average midpoint exchange rate in the observed period, into the value of change in the reporting currency.

The Report of the Central Bureau of Statistics on foreign trade in goods of the Republic of Croatia represents the basic data source for the balance of payments items related to exports and imports. These data are adjusted, in accordance with the recommended compilation method, for coverage and classification. Accordingly, goods exports and imports in the balance of payments are reported at f.o.b. parity. The value of exports at this parity is already contained in the previously mentioned CBS Report, whereas the value of imports f.o.b. is estimated on the basis of research studies of the CNB on the stratified sample of importers. The resulting value serves as a basis for the estimate of the share of transportation and insurance services by

Table H2: Balance of Payments – Goods and Services

million euros

	00043	00003	00003	000.43	00053	00003	20	07
	2001 ^a	2002 ^a	2003 ^a	2004 ^a	2005 ^a	2006 ^a	Q1ª	Q2 ^b
Goods	-4,595.2	-5,957.9	-6,971.2	-6,724.2	-7,518.0	-8,344.2	-2,159.2	-2,534.7
1. Credit	5,327.5	5,295.6	5,574.7	6,606.8	7,220.3	8,463.6	2,046.3	2,295.2
1.1. Exports (f.o.b.) in trade statistics	5,214.1	5,188.2	5,464.4	6,453.8	7,069.4	8,251.6	2,009.8	2,251.8
1.2. Adjustments for coverage	113.3	107.4	110.4	153.0	150.9	212.0	36.5	43.4
2. Debit	-9,922.6	-11,253.5	-12,545.9	-13,330.9	-14,738.3	-16,807.8	-4,205.5	-4,829.9
2.1. Imports (c.i.f.) in trade statistics	-10,244.8	-11,327.0	-12,538.0	-13,354.4	-14,949.5	-17,104.7	-4,270.3	-4,880.9
2.2. Adjustments for coverage	-405.3	-348.9	-475.6	-474.7	-346.4	-341.1	-64.6	-96.9
2.3. Adjustments for classification	727.4	422.5	467.7	498.1	557.6	638.0	129.4	147.9
Services	3,302.8	3,284.8	4,933.0	4,768.9	5,317.7	5,710.4	109.4	1,520.0
1. Transportation	186.1	172.0	252.2	299.3	376.1	424.7	95.7	115.4
1.1. Credit	658.6	622.8	696.3	791.3	880.3	987.9	228.1	273.1
1.2. Debit	-472.5	-450.8	-444.1	-492.0	-504.2	-563.2	-132.4	-157.7
2. Travel	3,072.9	3,138.6	4,976.6	4,822.3	5,394.9	5,708.7	104.9	1,452.3
2.1. Credit	3,749.3	3,960.8	5,572.7	5,505.6	5,998.9	6,293.3	262.4	1,621.5
2.1.1. Business	305.8	341.2	260.9	328.2	504.0	388.4	56.5	125.5
2.1.2. Personal	3,443.6	3,619.7	5,311.8	5,177.4	5,494.9	5,904.9	205.9	1,495.9
2.2. Debit	-676.5	-822.2	-596.1	-683.3	-604.1	-584.6	-157.5	-169.2
2.2.1. Business	-322.7	-482.6	-292.3	-297.3	-267.4	-229.5	-44.5	-60.2
2.2.2. Personal	-353.8	-339.6	-303.8	-386.0	-336.7	-355.1	-113.1	-109.0
3. Other services	43.9	-25.9	-295.8	-352.7	-453.3	-422.9	-91.2	-47.7
3.1. Credit	1,073.4	1,248.6	1,296.9	1,339.8	1,173.4	1,252.9	282.5	302.8
3.2. Debit	-1,029.5	-1,274.5	-1,592.7	-1,692.5	-1,626.6	-1,675.8	-373.7	-350.5

^a Revised data. ^b Preliminary data.

which the original value of imports c.i.f., stated in the CBS Report, is reduced. In the 1993-2001 period, this share stood at 7.10% (estimated only on the basis of the largest and large importers), while from 2002 on it has amounted to 3.73%. The same research study, conducted by the CNB at the end of 2006 (comprising the imports in the previous year), showed that the share of transportation and insurance costs, after continuing to decrease, has reached 3.03%. This share was first applied in the calculations for the first quarter of 2007. In the period from 1993 to 1996, the value of imports was modified by estimates of imports in duty free zones, which have been included in the merchandise trade statistics since 1997. From 1996 on, goods exports and imports are modified by the data on repairs on goods and goods procured in ports by carriers. In addition, since 1999, based on the Survey on Consumption of Foreign Travellers in Croatia and Domestic Travellers Abroad, the item of goods exports has been modified by the estimated value of goods sold to foreign travellers and tourists and taken out of the Republic of Croatia. The item of goods imports is adjusted for the estimated value of goods imported personally by the Croatian citizens from the neighbouring countries (shopping expenditures).

Transportation, travel and other services are reported separately under service account. Revenues and expenditures on the basis of transportation, in the 1993-1998 period, were adopted from the ITRS. From 1999 on, revenues and expenditures arising from transportation of goods and passengers, as well as the value of accompanying services, which together constitute the total value of these services, are compiled on the basis of the results of the Research on transactions related to international transportation services, carried out by the CNB. Owing to an exceptionally large population of road carriers, revenues and expenditures on the basis of road transportation are not adopted from this research. They are compiled by using ITRS data. As regards transportation of goods, expenditures are supplemented by a portion of transportation and insurance costs related to imports of goods which belongs to non-residents and which is estimated by adjusting the value of imports at c.i.f. parity to the value of imports f.o.b.

Revenues from services rendered to foreign travellers and tourists, as well as expenditures incurred by domestic travellers and tourists abroad are shown under the position Travel. In the 1993-1998 period, this position was assessed by using various data sources which did not provide for a full coverage in accordance with the recommended methodology. Accordingly, in the second half of 1998, the Croatian National Bank started to carry out the Survey on Consumption of Foreign Travellers in Croatia and Domestic Travellers Abroad and use its results for compiling the Travel position. Since early 1999, the results of this Survey, based on carrying out a survey of travellers (stratified sample) at border crossings, have been combined with the Ministry of the Interior data on total number of foreign and domestic travellers, along with the data on distribution of foreign travellers by countries contained in the CBS Report on tourism, in order to assess the corresponding balance of payment items.

Other services position is complied by using different data sources: apart from revenues and expenditures related to insurance and communication services, which have been determined by the CNB special statistical research since 2001, the values of all other services are adopted from the ITRS.

Transactions in the income account are classified into four main groups. Compensation of employees item is compiled on the basis of the ITRS. Income from direct investment, portfolio investment and other investment are reported separately. Data on reinvested earnings are reported separately, under direct investment income, calculated on the basis of the CNB Research on direct and other equity investment. In contrast to data on dividends, these data are not available for the 1993-1996 period, since at that time they were not reported separately. On the basis of statistical data on external debt relations, starting from 1997, income from direct investment includes data on interest arising from credit relations between residents and non-residents directly related through ownership. Income from equity portfolio investment is compiled on the basis of the same research, whereas data on debt portfolio investment income have been compiled since 1999, based on statistics on foreign credit relations, which also encompass income related to debt securities owned by

Table H3: Balance of Payments – Income and Current Transfers

million euros

	00043	00003	00003	00043	00053	00003	2	007
	2001 ^a	2002 ^a	2003 ^a	2004 ^a	2005 ^a	2006 ^a	Q1ª	Q2 ^b
Income	-627.9	-577.7	-1,095.2	-690.1	-971.5	-1,118.9	-218.0	-597.5
1. Compensation of employees	143.1	167.6	183.9	233.9	259.7	373.2	118.1	122.7
1.1. Credit	157.4	187.2	217.3	268.3	289.2	404.3	125.4	130.5
1.2. Debit	-14.3	-19.5	-33.4	-34.4	-29.5	-31.1	-7.3	-7.8
2. Direct investment income	-340.0	-353.3	-854.7	-441.6	-739.0	-977.1	-195.3	-589.3
2.1. Credit	34.2	25.1	35.2	175.6	112.7	90.3	43.7	53.4
o/w: Reinvested earnings	19.8	8.3	31.7	165.8	63.8	72.6	38.3	45.1
2.2. Debit	-374.1	-378.5	-889.9	-617.3	-851.8	-1,067.3	-239.0	-642.7
o/w: Reinvested earnings	-187.9	-160.9	-587.9	-291.7	-570.5	-697.4	-76.0	-446.5
3. Portfolio investment income	-262.9	-219.1	-238.7	-272.4	-258.8	-239.7	-60.6	-57.6
3.1. Credit	0.0	0.0	0.0	10.3	5.0	-6.4	-5.7	3.8
3.2. Debit	-263.0	-219.1	-238.7	-282.7	-263.8	-233.3	-54.8	-61.4
4. Other investment income	-168.1	-173.0	-185.7	-210.0	-233.4	-275.4	-80.2	-73.3
4.1. Credit	293.0	249.9	197.0	155.9	204.2	331.6	107.4	121.9
4.2. Debit	-461.2	-422.9	-382.7	-365.9	-437.7	-607.0	-187.6	-195.2
Current transfers	1,099.5	1,152.2	1,244.5	1,191.8	1,183.8	1,106.2	245.5	262.5
1. General government	65.3	32.2	70.5	2.6	9.7	-8.6	-6.0	-4.2
1.1. Credit	142.7	143.4	213.1	180.1	219.6	255.7	54.6	65.6
1.2. Debit	-77.4	-111.2	-142.6	-177.5	-209.9	-264.4	-60.7	-69.7
2. Other sectors	1,034.2	1,120.0	1,174.0	1,189.2	1,174.1	1,114.8	251.5	266.7
2.1. Credit	1,190.6	1,309.8	1,325.6	1,404.5	1,408.8	1,382.5	301.4	326.3
2.2. Debit	-156.4	-189.8	-151.6	-215.3	-234.6	-267.7	-49.9	-59.6

^a Revised data. ^b Preliminary data.

non-residents. Income from other investments includes the calculation of interest in accordance with the foreign credit relations statistics. The methodology for compiling the statistics on debt investment income has been changed in 2007 to include the reporting of income on an accrual basis. This basically means that income from debt investment and interest are reported at the point in time when they accrue and not at the point in time when they mature or when they are paid. As a result, the historical data for the 1999-2006 period have been revised.

Current transfers are reported separately for the general government sector and other sectors. The ITRS is used as the main data source on current transfers for both sectors. In addition to taxes and excise duties, pensions, monetary support and donations, which are included in current transfers of both sectors, the government sector also encompasses data on multilateral cooperation, whereas other sectors include data on workers' remittances. Current transfers of the general government sector also include data on exports and imports of goods without a payment obligation, provided by the CBS. In the 1993-1998 period, current transfers of other sectors also encompassed an estimate of unregistered foreign currency remittances, which accounted for 15% of the positive difference between unclassified inflows and outflows of the household sector. From 1993 to the second quarter of 1996, the CNB also assessed a portion of the outflow based on current transfers. From 2002 on, inflows and outflows based on current transfers of other sectors are supplemented by the data of the CNB special statistical research on international transactions related to insurance services.

Capital account is compiled on the basis of the ITRS, particularly on their part related to transfers of migrants. In addition, capital account includes transfers that cannot be classified into current transfers, such as allocation of gold of the former SFRY or investments in patents and rights.

Foreign direct investments include equity capital, reinvested earnings and debt relations between ownership-related residents and non-residents. Direct investments are investments whereby a foreign owner acquires a minimum of 10% interest in equity capital of a company, regardless of whether a resident invests abroad or a nonresident invests in Croatian residents. The CNB Research on foreign direct investments started in 1997 when companies included in the survey also delivered data on direct investments for the 1993-1996 period. For the same period, no data are available on reinvested earnings and other capital under direct investment position, where all debt relations between related residents and non-residents are classified (excluding the banking sector). Such data actually became available only after the stated research has been launched. Since 1999, data on debt relations within direct investments have been collected on the basis of external debt relations statistics. From 2007 on, the CNB Statistics Department conducts the research on the purchase and sale of the real estate by non-residents on the territory of the Republic of Croatia. Persons obliged to submit reports are the public notaries who learn about these transactions in the course of their business. Data on the purchase and sale of the real estate by Croatian non-residents abroad are compiled on the basis of the ITRS. These purchase and sale transactions are also a constituent part of direct investments.

Data on equity portfolio investments are collected from the same data source as the data on direct investments. Debt portfolio investments include all investments in short-term and long-term debt securities that cannot be classified under direct investments. In the 1997-1998 period, these data were collected through the CNB Research on direct and portfolio investments, and since 1999 data on external debt relations and monetary statistics data for bank investment have been used. Starting from 2002 and 2004, this position has also been compiled for investment funds and pension funds, respectively.

Other investment encompasses all other debt investments that have not been mentioned, apart from investment constituting reserve assets. Other investments are classified by instruments, maturity and sectors. Trade credits, in the 1996–2002 period, included the CNB estimates of advance payment and deferred payments, made on the basis of the sample of the largest and large importers and exporters. Data on advance payments have been estimated since 1996,

Table H4: Balance of Payments – Direct and Portfolio Invstments

million euros

	00043	00003	00003	000.43	2005 ^a	00003	200	07
	2001 ^a	2002 ^a	2003 ^a	2004 ^a	2005"	2006 ^a	Q1ª	Q2 ^b
Direct investment	1,257.7	530.8	1,656.9	670.8	1,275.8	2,549.0	1,223.4	794.2
1. Abroad	-209.8	-607.1	-105.5	-278.8	-192.1	-164.0	-90.0	-41.6
1.1. Equity capital and reinvested earnings	-143.6	-601.0	-101.9	-259.6	-121.0	-227.3	-77.7	-61.9
1.1.1. Claims	-143.6	-603.1	-101.9	-260.0	-122.2	-227.3	-77.7	-61.9
1.1.2. Liabilities	0.0	2.1	0.0	0.4	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.0
1.2. Other capital	-66.1	-6.1	-3.6	-19.2	-71.2	63.4	-12.3	20.3
1.1.1. Claims	9.9	-7.7	-15.3	-23.6	-59.8	45.8	-16.1	17.5
1.2.2. Liabilities	-76.1	1.6	11.7	4.4	-11.4	17.6	3.8	2.9
2. In Croatia	1,467.5	1,137.9	1,762.4	949.6	1,467.9	2,713.0	1,313.4	835.7
2.1. Equity capital and reinvested earnings	1,098.7	879.3	1,349.8	611.4	1,363.5	2,424.4	1,098.0	554.2
2.1.1. Claims	-8.0	0.0	-1.2	-22.4	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.0
2.1.2. Liabilities	1,106.6	879.3	1,351.1	633.8	1,363.5	2,424.5	1,098.0	554.2
2.2. Other capital	368.8	258.6	412.5	338.2	104.4	288.6	215.5	281.6
2.2.1. Claims	0.2	-0.3	-1.5	-17.8	0.0	18.1	-1.4	0.6
2.2.2. Liabilities	368.7	259.0	414.0	356.0	104.4	270.5	216.9	280.9
Portfolio investment	687.1	-437.7	867.6	266.5	-1,187.9	-527.2	-378.6	7.7
1. Assets	-143.2	-650.5	121.6	-756.7	-581.3	-459.7	-301.3	-337.7
1.1. Equity securities	0.3	-78.4	-57.8	-39.1	-193.0	-320.5	-429.6	-280.6
1.1.1. General government	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1.1.1. Banks	0.0	-2.7	0.3	0.0	0.0	2.6	-0.6	0.0
1.1.2. Other sectors	0.3	-75.6	-58.1	-39.1	-193.0	-323.1	-429.0	-280.6
1.2. Debt securities	-143.5	-572.2	179.4	-717.5	-388.2	-139.3	128.3	-57.1
1.2.1. Bonds	-128.8	-586.9	165.9	-582.1	-407.8	118.2	146.2	-41.8
1.2.1.1. General government	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1.2.1.2. Banks	-128.8	-566.6	180.1	-590.0	-371.4	161.9	99.2	29.2
1.2.1.3. Other sectors	0.0	-20.3	-14.1	7.9	-36.3	-43.7	46.9	-71.0
1.2.2. Money market instruments	-14.8	14.7	13.5	-135.5	19.5	-257.4	-17.8	-15.3
1.2.2.1. General government	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1.2.2.2. Banks	-14.8	20.9	7.3	-135.5	19.5	-257.4	-17.8	-15.3
1.2.2.3. Other sectors	0.0	-6.2	6.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2. Liabilities	830.3	212.9	746.0	1,023.2	-606.7	-67.5	-77.3	345.4
2.1. Equity securities	15.1	42.4	13.0	141.6	89.2	320.6	25.6	50.3
2.1.1. Banks	-6.0	2.5	-2.6	0.8	-12.8	37.3	8.6	12.0
2.1.2. Other sectors	21.1	39.8	15.6	140.7	102.0	283.3	17.0	38.2
2.2. Debt securities	815.2	170.5	733.1	881.6	-695.9	-388.1	-102.9	295.1
2.2.1. Bonds	794.1	202.7	698.8	915.6	-695.9	-388.1	-102.9	295.1
2.2.1.1. General government	794.1	62.1	525.9	429.6	-690.5	-314.5	-115.8	283.7
2.2.1.2. Banks	0.0	0.0	0.0	453.2	3.2	1.2	5.3	5.3
2.2.1.3. Other sectors	0.0	140.7	173.0	32.8	-8.6	-74.9	7.6	6.2
2.2.2. Money market instruments	21.1	-32.2	34.2	-34.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2.2.2.1. General government	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2.2.2.2. Banks	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2.2.2.3. Other sectors	21.1	-32.2	34.2	-34.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

^a Revised data. ^b Preliminary data.

while data on short-term deferred payments (first up to 90 days, then up to 150 days, and today from 8 days to 1 year) have been collected since 1999. In 2003, this research was replaced by a new one, where the selected companies, regardless of their size (stratified sample), are obliged to submit data. Data on deferred payments with the original maturity of more than one year are adopted from the CNB foreign credit relations statistics. Credits granted by residents to non-residents, i.e. foreign loans utilised by residents and granted by non-residents, which cannot be classified into direct investments or trade credits, are classified by the institutional sector and maturity under the corresponding positions of other investment. The CNB foreign credit relations statistics represent the data source for these positions. Currency and deposit position shows residents' claims on foreign countries for foreign cash and deposits with foreign banks, as well as obligations of the Croatian banks for deposits owned by non-residents. Monetary statistics represent a data source for the general government sector and banks sector. Data on balance and currency structure of foreign assets and liabilities, contained in monetary statistics, are used to assess transactions from which the exchange rate effect was eliminated. In the 1993-1998 period, data on other sectors' claims under this position were compiled on the basis of the CNB estimate of a portion of net foreign currency inflows of the household sector which is not classified under current transfers. Since 1999, this position has included only the data based on the Bank for International Settlement quarterly data, while data in the fourth quarter of 2001 and in the first two quarters of 2002 relate to

Table H5: Balance of Payments – Other Investment

million euros

	2001 ª	2002 ^a	2003ª	2004 ^a	2005 ^a	2006 ^a		07
							Q1 ^a	Q2 ^b
Other investment (net)	486.8	2,795.0	1,326.3	1,671.6	3,770.8	3,217.1	1,190.4	191.9
1. Assets	396.9	460.0	-2,216.9	-452.0	976.6	-673.9	328.0	-195.4
1.1. Trade credits	58.0	-79.4	-169.7	-188.1	-134.8	-32.3	-69.3	-11.1
1.1.1. General government	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.3	0.2	0.0	0.0
1.1.1.1. Long-term	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.3	0.2	0.0	0.0
1.1.1.2. Short-term	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1.1.2. Other sectors	58.0	-79.4	-169.7	-188.1	-134.6	-32.5	-69.3	-11.1
1.1.2.1. Long-term	-0.4	-6.6	-25.6	18.1	10.7	-4.0	-4.1	-10.9
1.1.2.2. Short-term	58.4	-72.7	-144.1	-206.1	-145.3	-28.4	-65.2	-0.2
1.2. Loans	41.6	-55.5	-85.1	43.8	-116.8	-153.8	-24.1	15.2
1.2.1. General government	-3.4	0.6	-1.0	-1.8	-1.5	-1.3	0.5	-4.3
1.2.1.1. Long-term	-3.4	0.6	-1.0	-1.8	-1.5	-1.3	0.5	-4.3
1.2.1.2. Short-term	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1.2.2. Banks	-6.9	-22.6	4.3	3.7	-28.5	-80.3	-6.8	1.3
1.2.2.1. Long-term	-10.5	-20.9	5.1	-0.1	-20.5	-61.1	-18.6	-10.4
1.2.2.2. Short-term	3.6	-1.6	-0.8	3.9	-8.0	-19.2	11.8	11.7
1.2.3. Other sectors	51.9	-33.5	-88.5	41.8	-86.8	-72.1	-17.8	18.2
1.2.3.1. Long-term	51.9	-33.4	-88.5	43.2	-87.8	-72.4	-17.8	18.2
1.2.3.2. Short-term	0.0	-0.1	0.1	-1.3	1.0	0.3	0.0	0.0
1.3. Currency and deposits	297.3	594.9	-1,962.1	-307.7	1,228.2	-487.8	421.3	-199.6
1.3.1. General government	-18.1	-24.2	30.3	72.7	-44.4	26.5	25.0	0.0
1.3.2. Banks	-1,790.9	1,516.5	-1,964.5	-400.3	1,308.3	-444.1	425.3	-199.6
1.3.3. Other sectors	2.106.3	-897.4	-27.9	19.8	-35.6	-70.2	-29.0	0.0
1.4. Other assets	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2. Liabilities	89.9	2,335.0	3,543.3	2,123.6	2,794.2	3,891.0	862.4	387.3
2.1. Trade credits	95.6	2,555.0	-225.6	-54.5	15.1	6.9	55.2	248.6
	1.2	-0.1		-0.3		-0.7	-0.2	-0.1
2.1.1. General government	1.2		1.5	-0.3 -0.3	0.4	-0.7 -0.7	-0.2	
2.1.1.1. Long-term		-0.1	1.5		0.4			-0.1
2.1.1.2. Short-term	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2.1.2. Other sectors	94.4	501.2	-227.1	-54.2	14.7	7.6	55.4	248.7
2.1.2.1. Long-term	-22.8	-1.4	-46.2	-16.7	27.4	-8.2	6.0	78.0
2.1.2.2. Short-term	117.2	502.6	-181.0	-37.5	-12.7	15.8	49.4	170.7
2.2. Loans	-250.7	625.3	2,890.0	1,676.4	2,405.8	3,051.9	163.6	80.5
2.2.1. Croatian National Bank	-2.8	-173.8	358.2	-367.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2.2.1.1. o/w: IMF	-34.3	-129.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2.2.1.1.1. Drawings	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2.2.1.1.2. Repayments	-34.3	-129.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2.2.1.2. Short-term	31.6	-44.3	358.2	-367.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2.2.2. General government	-216.6	409.3	500.4	425.8	248.1	120.5	-23.8	-5.8
2.2.2.1. Long-term	183.0	409.3	500.4	425.8	248.1	120.5	-23.8	-5.8
2.2.2.1.1. Drawings	439.9	645.9	764.8	795.5	590.1	561.5	65.9	151.3
2.2.2.1.2. Repayments	-256.9	-236.7	-264.5	-369.7	-342.0	-441.1	-89.7	-157.1
2.2.2.2. Short-term	-399.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2.2.3. Banks	85.8	73.5	1,007.7	650.4	826.0	541.0	-512.7	-555.8
2.2.3.1. Long-term	91.7	75.8	929.1	741.7	281.1	419.3	-378.2	-389.8
2.2.3.1.1. Drawings	929.3	739.1	1,722.8	1,260.0	1,236.1	2,833.4	536.8	44.7
2.2.3.1.2. Repayments	-837.6	-663.3	-793.7	-518.3	-955.0	-2,414.1	-915.0	-434.5
2.2.3.2. Short-term	-5.8	-2.3	78.6	-91.2	544.9	121.7	-134.4	-166.1
2.2.4. Other sectors	-117.2	316.3	1,023.9	967.9	1,331.7	2,390.5	700.1	642.1
2.2.4.1. Long-term	-118.0	336.0	977.0	932.4	1,277.2	2,188.9	493.5	584.7
2.2.4.1.1. Drawings	1,027.5	1,494.5	2,140.3	2,232.5	2,686.4	4,030.6	923.2	1,236.3
2.2.4.1.2. Repayments	-1,145.5	-1,158.5	-1,163.3	-1,300.1	-1,409.2	-1,841.7	-429.8	-651.5
2.2.4.1.2. Repayments 2.2.4.2. Short-term	-1,145.5	-1,158.5	46.9	-1,300.1	-1,409.2 54.5	201.6	206.6	-051.5
	245.1	1,209.5	40.9 879.6	498.7	370.6		643.1	
2.3. Currency and deposits						829.5		57.5
2.3.1. General government	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	9.2	0.2
2.3.2. Banks	244.9	1,209.3	879.5	498.7	370.6	829.4	633.9	57.3
2.4. Other liabilities	-0.1	-0.9	-0.7	3.0	2.8	2.7	0.5	0.7

^a Revised data. ^b Preliminary data.

Table H6: Balance of Payments – Summary

million kuna

	2001ª	2002 ^a	2003 ^a	2004 ^a	2005 ^a	2006 ^a	20	07
	2001	2002	2003	2004	2003	2000	Q1 ^a	Q2 ^b
A. CURRENT ACCOUNT (1+6)	-6,108.9	-15,744.2	-14,637.6	-11,315.3	-14,921.4	-19,548.0	-14,917.2	-9,961.4
1. Goods, services, and income (2+5)	-14,301.8	-24,275.5	-24,051.3	-20,242.1	-23,679.5	-27,648.0	-16,724.5	-11,891.1
1.1. Credit	84,238.8	85,611.4	102,483.3	110,782.5	117,208.4	130,275.5	22,749.9	35,285.7
1.2. Debit	-98,540.6	-109,886.9	-126,534.6	-131,024.5	-140,888.0	-157,923.6	-39,474.4	-47,176.8
2. Goods and services (3+4)	-9,885.7	-19,986.2	-15,671.7	-15,083.2	-16,508.1	-19,478.8	-15,120.1	-7,478.1
2.1. Credit	80,385.2	82,206.3	99,192.2	106,225.6	112,693.7	124,269.8	20,757.0	33,011.0
2.2. Debit	-90,270.9	-102,192.6	-114,863.9	-121,308.8	-129,201.8	-143,748.6	-35,877.1	-40,489.1
3. Goods	-34,258.8	-44,117.7	-52,759.8	-50,327.5	-55,568.1	-61,083.9	-15,897.8	-18,638.2
3.1. Credit	39,760.0	39,216.5	42,190.2	49,507.8	53,397.7	61,988.6	15,065.6	16,871.8
3.2. Debit	-74,018.9	-83,334.1	-94,949.9	-99,835.3	-108,965.8	-123,072.5	-30,963.4	-35,510.0
4. Services	24,373.1	24,131.4	37,088.0	35,244.3	39,060.0	41,605.1	777.7	11,160.1
4.1. Credit	40,625.2	42,989.9	57,002.0	56,717.8	59,296.0	62,281.2	5,691.4	16,139.2
4.2. Debit	-16,252.1	-18,858.5	-19,914.0	-21,473.5	-20,236.0	-20,676.1	-4,913.7	-4,979.1
5. Income	-4,416.1	-4,289.2	-8,379.5	-5,158.9	-7,171.4	-8,169.2	-1,604.4	-4,413.0
5.1. Credit	3,853.5	3,405.1	3,291.2	4,556.8	4,514.7	6,005.7	1,992.9	2,274.7
5.2. Debit	-8,269.7	-7,694.3	-11,670.7	-9,715.7	-11,686.1	-14,175.0	-3,597.3	-6,687.7
6. Current transfers	8,192.9	8,531.3	9,413.6	8,926.8	8,758.1	8,100.0	1,807.3	1,929.7
6.1. Credit	9,934.0	10,761.2	11,639.9	11,872.9	12,047.2	11,996.6	2,621.5	2,881.0
6.2. Debit	-1,741.1	-2,229.9	-2,226.3	-2,946.1	-3,289.1	-3,896.5	-814.2	-951.3
B. CAPITAL AND FINANCIAL ACCOUNT	9,432.1	18,920.4	20,752.3	19,004.6	21,975.4	27,069.9	9,074.7	9,848.1
B1. Capital account	1,176.6	3,847.2	771.3	235.5	396.8	-980.3	44.1	66.1
B2. Financial account, excl. reserves	19,752.5	20,561.8	29,333.4	19,105.6	27,654.1	38,363.6	14,982.9	7,320.2
1. Direct investment	11,670.0	4,183.5	12,706.4	4,452.8	9,093.0	18,675.4	9,003.8	5,861.0
1.1. Abroad	-1,520.5	-4,486.9	-801.9	-2,077.2	-1,415.4	-1,200.6	-662.8	-305.3
1.2. In Croatia	13,190.5	8,670.4	13,508.3	6,530.0	10,508.5	19,876.0	9,666.7	6,166.3
2. Portfolio investment	5,217.7	-3,260.4	6,593.2	1,942.8	-8,797.1	-3,908.1	-2,786.5	54.4
2.1. Assets	-1,081.8	-4,839.6	938.6	-5,718.8	-4,267.9	-3,391.3	-2,217.4	-2,481.4
2.2. Liabilities	6,299.5	1,579.2	5,654.5	7,661.6	-4,529.2	-516.8	-569.2	2,535.8
3. Financial derivatives	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-659.4	0.0	0.0	0.0
4. Other investment	2,864.9	19,638.7	10,033.7	12,710.0	28,017.5	23,596.3	8,765.6	1,404.8
4.1. Assets	2,584.6	3,322.5	-16,854.7	-3,331.7	7,370.2	-4,993.1	2,415.2	-1,424.0
4.2. Liabilities	280.2	16,316.1	26,888.4	16,041.7	20,647.4	28,589.4	6,350.4	2,828.8
B3. Reserve assets (CNB)	-11,497.0	-5,488.5	-9,352.4	-336.5	-6,075.4	-10,313.4	-5,952.3	2,461.8
C. NET ERRORS AND OMISSIONS	-3,323.2	-3,176.2	-6,114.7	-7,689.3	-7,054.0	-7,521.9	5,842.5	113.2

^a Revised data. ^b Preliminary data. Note: The item net errors and omissions also comprises the counter entry of a part of revenues from travel services which relates to such revenues not stated in the banks' records.

the effect of the EMU countries' currencies changeover to the euro.

In the period from 1993 to 1998, the estimate of reserve assets transactions was made by converting the changes in the original currencies into the US dollars by applying the average monthly exchange rate of the currencies contained in the reserves. Since 1999, the changes in reserve assets balance have been calculated on the basis of the CNB accounting data.

Table H7: International Reserves and Banks' Foreign Currency Reserves^a

end of period, million euros

			I	nternational rese	erves of the Croat	tian National Ban	k		_
Year	Month		Special drawing	Reserve			Foreign currency		Banks' foreign currency
		Total	rights	position in the Fund	Gold	Total	Currency and deposits	Bonds and notes	reserves
1994	December	1,145.7	3.7	-	-	1,142.0	1,142.0	-	716.6
1995	December	1,479.0	109.1	-	-	1,369.9	1,288.4	81.4	1,038.1
1996	December	1,867.7	101.3	0.0	-	1,766.3	1,627.6	138.7	1,549.2
1997	December	2,303.7	133.4	0.1	-	2,170.2	1,825.2	345.0	2,078.9
1998	December	2,400.2	197.1	0.1	-	2,203.0	1,642.6	560.4	1,607.0
1999	December	3,012.7	188.7	0.2	-	2,823.7	2,449.8	373.9	1,344.7
2000	December	3,783.2	158.5	0.2	-	3,624.5	2,763.0	861.5	2,310.7
2001	December	5,333.6	122.9	0.2	-	5,210.5	3,469.7	1,740.7	4,056.0
2002	December	5,651.3	2.3	0.2	-	5,648.8	3,787.8	1,861.0	2,581.6
2003	December	6,554.1	0.7	0.2	-	6,553.2	3,346.0	3,207.2	3,927.1
2004	December	6,436.2	0.6	0.2	-	6,435.4	3,173.3	3,262.0	4,220.1
2005	December	7,438.4	0.9	0.2	-	7,437.3	3,834.5	3,602.8	2,938.4
2006	October	8,516.3	1.2	0.2	-	8,514.9	4,308.0	4,206.9	2,953.5
	November	8,983.7	0.7	0.2	-	8,982.8	4,537.8	4,445.0	2,915.8
	December	8,725.3	0.7	0.2	-	8,724.4	4,526.9	4,197.5	3,315.0
2007	January	9,172.6	1.3	0.2	-	9,171.1	4,909.3	4,261.8	3,237.7
	February	9,565.4	0.8	0.2	-	9,564.5	5,271.0	4,293.4	2,936.8
	March	9,519.7	0.8	0.2	-	9,518.8	5,237.3	4,281.5	2,882.6
	April	9,488.4	1.3	0.2	-	9,486.9	5,229.6	4,257.4	2,743.7
	May	9,451.5	0.8	0.2	-	9,450.5	5,171.7	4,278.9	2,705.4
	June	9,170.4	0.8	0.2	-	9,169.4	4,901.4	4,268.0	3,084.8
	July	9,412.1	1.3	0.2	-	9,410.7	5,055.3	4,355.4	3,025.1
	August	9,223.0	0.7	0.2	-	9,222.1	4,823.7	4,398.4	3,418.5
	September ^a	8,795.1	0.7	0.2	-	8,794.2	4,404.6	4,389.6	3,839.8

^a International reserves of the Republic of Croatia consist only of the Croatian National Bank's foreign currency reserves.
^b Preliminary data.

Table H7: International Reserves and Banks' Foreign Currency Reserves

Data on the international reserves of the Croatian National Bank are compiled in accordance with the methodology set out in the Balance of Payments Manual (International Monetary Fund, 1993), and include those foreign claims of the Croatian National Bank that can be used to bridge imbalances in international payments. International

reserves include special drawing rights, reserve position in the Fund, gold, foreign currency and deposits with foreign banks, as well as bonds and debt instruments.

The foreign currency reserves of banks include foreign currency and deposits of domestic banks with foreign banks. These foreign currency reserves represent an additional source of liquidity for bridging imbalances in international payments.

Table H8: International Reserves and Foreign Currency Liquidity

end of period, million euros

		2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006		20	07	
		Dec. ^b	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Mar.	Jun.	Jul.	Aug
Official reserve assets and other f/c assets (appro-	kimate market val	ue)									
. Official reserve assets		5,333.6	5,651.3	6,554.1	6,436.2	7,438.4	8,725.3	9,519.7	9,170.4	9,412.1	9,223
(1) Foreign currency reserves (in convertible f/c)		3,877.9	4,246.9	5,740.1	6,235.4	7,337.3	8,162.8	8,513.9	8,249.2	8,610.6	8,32
(a) Securities		1,740.7	1,861.0	3,207.2	3,262.0	3,602.8	4,197.5	4,281.5	4,268.0	4,355.4	4,39
o/w: Issuer headquartered in reporting cou located abroad	intry but	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
(b) Total currency and deposits with:		2,137.2	2,385.9	2,532.9	2,973.3	3,734.5	3,965.3	4,232.4	3,981.2	4,255.2	3,92
(i) Other national central banks, BIS and II	ЛF	461.3	325.1	271.1	233.1	407.3	198.7	197.8	196.9	195.9	19
(ii) Banks headquartered in the reporting of	ountry	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	
o/w: Located abroad	,	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	
(iii) Banks headquartered outside the repo	rting country	1,675.9	2.060.8	2,261.8	2.740.3	3.327.2	3,766.6	4,034.6	3,784.3	4,059.4	3,72
o/w: Located in the reporting country	ing country	-	2,000.0				-	.,	-	.,	0,11
(2) IMF reserve position		0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	
(3) SDRs		122.9	2.3	0.7	0.6	0.9	0.7	0.8	0.8	1.3	
(4) Gold		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
(5) Other reserve assets		1,332.6	1,401.9	813.1	200.0	100.0	561.6	1,004.9	920.2	800.0	90
– Reverse repo		1,332.6	1,401.9	813.1	200.0	100.0	561.6	1,004.9	920.2	800.0	90
Other foreign currency assets (specify)		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
- Time deposits		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
. Total (A+B)		5,333.6	5,651.3	6,554.1	6,436.2	7,438.4	8,725.3	9,519.7	9,170.4	9,412.1	9,2
Predetermined short-term net drains on f/c assets	(nominal value)										
F/c loans, securities, and deposits (total net drains up to one year)		-1,350.7	-740.9	-1,538.0	-988.6	-899.7	-650.5	-644.9	-779.4	-535.4	-54
(a) Croatian National Bank		-443.4	-167.4	-646.9	-1.8	-1.1	-1.6	-1.9	-2.0	-2.0	
Up to 1 month	Principal	-196.1	-136.9	-355.9	_	-	-	-	-	_	
	Interest	-3.2	-2.2	-1.9	-1.8	-1.1	-1.6	-1.9	-2.0	-2.0	
More than 1 and up to 3 months	Principal	-203.7	-26.5	-288.3	_	_	_	_	_	_	
	Interest	-2.1	-0.1	-0.7	_	_	_	_	_	_	
More than 3 months and up to 1 year	Principal	-34.5	-1.6	0.1							
More than 5 months and up to 1 year				-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	Interest	-3.8	-0.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
(b) Central government (excl. central government funds)		-907.4	-573.5	-891.1	-986.8	-898.6	-648.9	-643.0	-777.5	-533.4	-5
Up to 1 month	Principal	-101.7	-98.1	-85.9	-76.5	-77.9	-48.3	-11.3	-292.7	-2.5	
	Interest	-55.6	-42.8	-34.4	-13.8		-				
More than 1 and up to 3 months	Principal	-351.6	-8.6	-9.3	-510.1	-603.0	-138.4	-78.7	-69.8	-80.5	_
More than 1 and up to 3 months							-130.4	-70.7	-09.0	-00.5	
Mana them O months and up to 4 years	Interest	-125.7	-148.1	-168.3	-169.0	-	-	-	-	-	
More than 3 months and up to 1 year	Principal	-170.8	-176.2	-495.2	-143.7	-160.2	-399.8	-415.1	-291.2	-333.5	-3
	Interest	-102.0	-99.7	-98.0	-73.8	-57.5	-62.3	-137.9	-123.9	-116.9	-1
Aggregate short and long positions in forwards ar f/c vis-a-vis the domestic currency (including the t of currency swaps)		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
(a) Short positions (-)		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Up to 1 month		-	-	-	_	_	_	-	-	-	
More than 1 and up to 3 months		-	-	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	
More than 3 months and up to 1 year		_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	
(b) Long positions (+)		_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	
Up to 1 month											
		-	-	-	-	_	_	-	-	-	
More than 1 and up to 3 months		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
More than 3 months and up to 1 year		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Other		-75.2	-21.5	-363.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	
 Outflows related to repos (–) 		-75.2	-21.5	-363.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Up to 1 month	Principal	-75.1	-21.5	-363.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	Interest	-0.1	0.0	-0.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	
More than 1 and up to 3 months	Principal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	Interest	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
More than 3 months and up to 1 year	Principal	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	
	Interest	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	
Total predetermined short-term net drains on f/c assets (1+2+3)		-1,426.0	-762.4	-1,901.5	-988.6	-899.7	-650.5	-644.9	-779.4	-535.4	-54
Contingent short-term net drains on f/c assets (ne	ominal value)										
		1.000.0	1 004 0	-1,300.4	1 770 0	-2,273.1	0.704.0	-3,364.5	-3,110.8	0.004.0	-2,9
Contingent liabilities in foreign currency											v 0

 Croatian National Bank 	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
 Central government (excl. central government funds) 	-315.9	-685.9	-426.8	-370.9	-443.8	-478.9	-437.4	-549.7	-559.3	-560.4
Up to 1 month	-49.4	-52.3	-55.8	-62.7	-59.6	-71.9	-20.5	-51.6	-8.6	-15.4
More than 1 and up to 3 months	-24.7	-35.2	-94.9	-33.9	-53.0	-84.8	-76.5	-38.3	-69.2	-79.2
More than 3 months and up to 1 year	-241.7	-598.3	-276.1	-274.4	-331.2	-322.2	-340.4	-459.8	-481.6	-465.8
(b) Other contingent liabilities	-772.9	-945.1	-873.6	-1,402.0	-1,829.3	-2,256.0	-2,927.2	-2,561.1	-2,641.7	-2,385.6
- Croatian National Bank	-772.9	-945.1	-873.6	-1,402.0	-1,829.3	-2,256.0	-2,927.2	-2,561.1	-2,641.7	-2,385.6
Up to 1 month	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
More than 1 and up to 3 months	-772.9	-945.1	-873.6	-1,402.0	-1,829.3	-2,256.0	-2,927.2	-2,561.1	-2,641.7	-2,385.6
More than 3 months and up to 1 year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
 Central government (excl. central government funds) 	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2. Foreign currency securities issued with embedded options (puttable bonds)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3. Undrawn, unconditional credit lines provided by:	170.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
– BIS (+)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
– IMF (+)	170.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
4. Aggregate short and long positions of options in f/c vis-a-vis domestic currency	the –	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5. Total contingent short-term net drains on f/c assets (1+2+3+	4) –918.0	-1,631.0	-1,300.4	-1,772.9	-2,273.1	-2,734.9	-3,364.5	-3,110.8	-3,201.0	-2,946.0
IV. Memo items										
 (a) Short-term domestic currency debt indexed to the exchange rate 	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
o/w: Central government (excl. central government funds	5) –	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
(b) Financial instruments denominated in foreign currency and settled by other means (e.g., in domestic currency)	nd –	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
(c) Pledged assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
(d) Securities lent and on repo					-	-	-	-	-	-
- Lent or repoed and included in Section I	-70.0	-20.0	-351.0	-	-	-	-	-	-6.3	-9.1
- Lent or repoed but not included in Section I	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- Borrowed or acquired and included in Section I	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- Borrowed or acquired but not included in Section I	1,235.1	1,330.3	785.1	180.7	88.5	559.5	972.4	900.7	840.3	883.5
(e) Financial derivative assets (net, marked to market)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
(f) Currency composition of official reserves assets ^a										
 Currencies in SDR basket 	5,333.6	5,651.3	6,554.1	6,436.2	7,438.1	8,725.0	9,519.5	9,170.1	9,411.8	9,222.7
- Currencies not in SDR basket	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
– By individual currencies US	D 1,738.4	1,600.8	1,937.6	1,609.1	1,104.5	1,266.0	1,239.2	1,254.2	1,285.0	1,294.8
EU	R 3,471.6	4,047.9	4,615.6	4,826.3	6,332.5	7,458.0	8,276.7	7,912.2	8,122.7	7,924.3
Oth	ner 123.6	2.6	0.9	0.8	1.3	1.3	3.9	4.0	4.4	3.9

^a Until January 2001: Currency structure of official reserve assets and other foreign currency assets

^b In accordance with the recommendation made by the IMF, time deposits with a maturity over 3 months were also included in Official reserve assets (I.A.). These deposits were previously included in Other foreign currency assets (I.B.).

Table H8: International Reserves and Foreign Currency Liquidity

International reserves and foreign currency liquidity are shown in accordance with a Template on international reserves and foreign currency liquidity, drawn up by the IMF. A detailed explanation of the Template is given in "International Reserves and Foreign Currency Liquidity – Guidelines for a Data Template, 2001".

The first part of the Template shows total assets of the Croatian National Bank in convertible foreign currency. Official reserve assets (I.A.) show those types of assets that are readily available to the CNB at any moment for bridging imbalances in international payments. Official international reserves include: short-term foreign negotiable debt securities, foreign cash, foreign currency sight deposits, foreign currency time deposits which can be withdrawn before maturity, foreign currency time deposits with a remaining maturity of up to 1 year, reserve position with the IMF, special drawing rights, gold, and reverse repos with foreign negotiable debt securities.

The second part of the Template shows fixed predetermined foreign currency net liabilities of the Croatian National Bank and the central government (excluding central government funds) that fall due in the next 12 months. Foreign currency loans, securities and deposits (II.1.) include future interest payments on banks' foreign currency reserve requirements with the CNB (only interest payments for the next month are included), payments of future maturities of foreign currency CNB bills, future principal and interest payments on loans from the IMF, and future principal and interest payments on the central government's foreign currency debts (excluding central government funds). Aggregate short and long positions in forwards and futures in foreign currencies (II.2.) include future collections (+) or payments (-) arising from currency swaps between the CNB and domestic banks (temporary sale or purchase of foreign currency). Item Other (II.3.) includes future payments arising from repo transactions with foreign negotiable debt securities.

The third part of the Template shows predetermined contingent foreign currency net liabilities of the Croatian National Bank and the central government (excluding central government funds), which fall due in the following 12 months. Contingent liabilities in foreign currency (III.1.) include future principal and interest payments on foreign loans guaranteed by the central government, and banks' foreign currency reserve requirements with the CNB. (The inclusion of reserve requirements in foreign currency is based on the assumption that there will be no changes in ratios or in the base of foreign currency reserve requirements, which comprises foreign currency sources of funds, including ordinary foreign currency accounts, special foreign currency accounts, foreign currency accounts and foreign currency sight deposits, received foreign currency deposits and received foreign currency loans, as well as obligations arising from securities issued in foreign currency (excluding banks' equity securities) and hybrid and subordinated instruments). Undrawn credit lines show potential inflows (+) or outflows (-) which would arise from drawdowns under these credits.

The fourth part of the Template lists memo items. Short-term,

Year	Month	HRK/EUR	HRK/ATS	HRK/FRF	HRK/100 ITL	HRK/CHF	HRK/GBP	HRK/USD	HRK/DEM
1994		7.087680	0.524825	1.079616	0.371511	4.381907	9.166621	5.994736	3.692176
1995		6.757247	0.518724	1.047746	0.321349	4.425013	8.250868	5.229850	3.649215
1996		6.805527	0.513812	1.062870	0.352204	4.407070	8.476847	5.433979	3.614716
1997		6.960719	0.505335	1.056368	0.362049	4.248502	10.089408	6.161849	3.556098
1998		7.139159	0.514631	1.080018	0.366853	4.396452	10.537622	6.362284	3.620795
1999		7.581823	0.550993	1.155840	0.391568	4.739965	11.514804	7.122027	3.876528
2000		7.633852	0.554774	1.163773	0.394256	4.903244	12.530514	8.287369	3.903127
2001		7.471006	0.542939	1.138947	0.385845	4.946810	12.010936	8.339153	3.819865
2002		7.406976				5.049125	11.793108	7.872490	
2003		7.564248				4.978864	10.943126	6.704449	
2004		7.495680				4.854986	11.048755	6.031216	
2005		7.400047				4.780586	10.821781	5.949959	
2006		7.322849				4.656710	10.740292	5.839170	
2006	October	7.393049				4.649986	10.983203	5.861821	
	November	7.344346				4.612789	10.901289	5.710001	
	December	7.355022				4.608204	10.930893	5.565730	
2007	January	7.367082				4.562119	11.096595	5.662532	
	February	7.362568				4.540010	11.033457	5.639683	
	March	7.356923				4.563893	10.825095	5.559130	
	April	7.396197				4.520671	10.892890	5.482475	
	May	7.329989				4.442055	10.756935	5.422621	
	June	7.328786				4.430674	10.840476	5.467952	
	July	7.291804				4.400808	10.816511	5.321551	
	August	7.311674				4.464012	10.788705	5.366679	
	September	7.313069				4.440287	10.637593	5.275187	

Table H9: Midpoint Exchange Rates of the Croatian National Bank (period a

domestic currency debt indexed to foreign currency (IV.(a)) shows obligations arising from the Act on Converting Households' Foreign Currency Deposits into the Public Debt of the Republic of Croatia, which fall due in the next 12 months. Pledged assets (IV.(c)) show time deposits in foreign currency with a maturity over 3 months listed in item I.B. which are also used as collateral. Repo transactions with securities show the value of collateral that is subject to repo and reverse repo transactions with securities as well as how these transactions are registered in the Template. Until December 2000, the currency structure of international and other foreign currency reserves showed the currency structure of the total foreign currency assets of the CNB (Section I.). From January 2001, the currency structure refers to official reserve assets (Section I.A).

Table H9: Midpoint Exchange Rates of the Croatian National Bank (period average)

The annual averages of CNB midpoint exchange rates are calcu-

lated based on the midpoint exchange rates effective on the working days in a year, using CNB exchange rate lists whose application dates pertain to the calculation period.

The monthly averages of CNB midpoint exchange rates are calculated based on the midpoint exchange rates effective on the working days in a month, using CNB exchange rate lists whose application dates pertain to the calculation period.

The data show the annual and monthly averages of CNB midpoint exchange rates for selected currencies from 1992 to date, in kuna terms. The averages related to the calculation periods from the beginning of 1992, when the legal tender in the Republic of Croatia was the Croatian dinar, until the introduction of the kuna on 30 May 1994, are shown in kuna equivalent, and are denominated by dividing their values by one thousand (1,000).

The annual and monthly averages of midpoint exchange rates for the euro from 1992 until end 1998 are the averages of midpoint exchange rates applied for the ECU.

Table H10: Midpoint Exchange Rates of the Croatian National Bank (end of period)

Year	Month	HRK/EUR	HRK/ATS	HRK/FRF	HRK/100 ITL	HRK/CHF	HRK/GBP	HRK/USD	HRK/DEM
1994		6.902400	0.516285	1.052510	0.346500	4.288893	8.784200	5.628700	3.632100
1995		6.812200	0.526742	1.085365	0.335800	4.618693	8.234500	5.316100	3.705900
1996		6.863600	0.506253	1.055662	0.362600	4.098835	9.359000	5.539600	3.562200
1997		6.947200	0.499445	1.050510	0.357700	4.332003	10.475600	6.303100	3.514000
1998		7.329100	0.531546	1.114954	0.377700	4.567584	10.451000	6.247500	3.739700
1999		7.679009	0.558055	1.170657	0.396588	4.784268	12.340257	7.647654	3.926215
2000		7.598334	0.552192	1.158359	0.392421	4.989712	12.176817	8.155344	3.884966
2001		7.370030	0.535601	1.123554	0.380630	4.977396	12.101856	8.356043	3.768237
2002		7.442292				5.120256	11.451442	7.145744	
2003		7.646909				4.901551	10.860544	6.118506	
2004		7.671234				4.971314	10.824374	5.636883	
2005		7.375626				4.744388	10.753209	6.233626	
2006		7.345081				4.571248	10.943208	5.578401	
2006	October	7.369343				4.636848	11.003947	5.792143	
	November	7.333542				4.613451	10.861289	5.574718	
	December	7.345081				4.571248	10.943208	5.578401	
2007	January	7.373400				4.541390	11.185376	5.691108	
	February	7.345292				4.540016	10.923992	5.562929	
	March	7.382466				4.543615	10.853375	5.542808	
	April	7.372840				4.486060	10.797950	5.414438	
	May	7.308634				4.439430	10.752735	5.439591	
	June	7.303218				4.407494	10.859804	5.422645	
	July	7.297330				4.435528	10.817269	5.337427	
	August	7.319403				4.458972	10.787624	5.372433	
	September	7.281634				4.388906	10.418707	5.136955	

Table H10: Midpoint Exchange Rates of the Croatian National Bank (end of period)

The table shows CNB midpoint exchange rates applied on the last day of the observed period.

The data show CNB midpoint exchange rates for selected currencies from 1992 to date, in kuna terms. The end of period midpoint

exchange rates related to the periods from the beginning of the time series in 1992 until the introduction of the kuna on 30 May 1994 are shown in kuna equivalent and are denominated by dividing their values by one thousand (1,000).

The midpoint exchange rates for the euro applied on the last days of the observed periods from 1992 until end 1998 are the end of period midpoint exchange rates applied for the ECU.

Table H11: Indices of the Effective Exchange Rate of the Kuna

indices 2001=100

Year	Month	Nominal effective exchange	Real effective exchange	rate of the kuna; deflator
rear	Month	rate of the kuna	Producer price index	Consumer price index
1996	December	83.88	90.19	96.70
1997	December	87.77	93.06	98.84
1998	December	91.09	95.99	95.39
1999	December	99.25	102.78	102.09
2000	December	101.63	100.07	101.91
2001	December	99.07	98.63	98.89
2002	December	95.99	95.65	96.26
2003	December	94.18	94.55	94.71
2004	December	90.42	90.61	90.85
2005	December	91.52	94.33	90.99
2006	September	89.68	93.75	89.88
	October	90.02	93.65	90.18
	November	88.95	92.91	88.59
	December	88.42	92.51	87.96
2007	January	88.97	92.14	88.21
	February	88.82	92.45	88.17
	March	88.41	92.13	87.82
	April	88.41	92.39	87.65
	May	87.56	91.67	86.76
	June	87.75	91.62	87.35
	July	86.79	90.81 ^a	86.78 ^a
	August	87.17	90.16 ^a	86.71ª
	September	86.75		

^a Preliminary data. Note: From 1 January 2001, the eurozone related price series includes Greece as well. Slovenia became an EMU member on 1 January 2007. Accordingly, the weight assigned to the Slovenia tolar (0.2%) has been added to the euro weight (70.6%), which now amounts to 70.8%. The weights assigned to the US dollar, pound sterling and Swiss franc have been kept at 27.2%, 1.0% and 1.0% respectively

Table H11: Indices of the Effective Exchange Rate of the Kuna

The index of the nominal effective exchange rate of the kuna is a weighted geometric average of the index of bilateral nominal exchange rates of the kuna against the euro, US dollar, Swiss franc, pound sterling and Slovenian tolar. The series of the indices of the effective exchange rate of the kuna, calculated in accordance with the modified CNB methodology for calculating the nominal and real effective kuna exchange rates (see Box 2, Bulletin No. 64, October 2001), were first published in the CNB Bulletin No. 94 (June 2004). The weights are determined on the basis of the average share of a particular foreign currency in the structure of the current account - ITRS data between January 2000 and December 2003 (i.e. between July 1996 and January 2000 in the previous version of the notes on methodology under Table H10). The new weights have been assigned to the euro (70.6%), US dollar (27.2%), Swiss franc (1.0%) and pound sterling (1.0%), and thus replaced the old weights of 66.2%, 30.7%, 1.6% and 1.2% for the euro, US dollar, Swiss franc and pound sterling respectively. The weight assigned to the Slovenian tolar remained unchanged at 0.2%. The year 2001 is a base period for calculating the indices of the effective exchange rate of the kuna (1995 in the previous version of the notes on methodology under Table H10). The index of the nominal effective exchange rate is an aggregate indicator of the average value of the domestic currency against a basket of currencies. An increase in the index of the nominal effective exchange rate of the kuna in a certain period indicates that the kuna has depreciated against the basket of currencies, and vice versa. The index of the real effective exchange rate is a weighted geometric average of the index of bilateral exchange rates of the kuna adjusted for the corresponding indices of relative price (the ratio of price indices in partner countries and domestic prices). Producer price and consumer price indices, and the total harmonised consumer price index for the eurozone countries are used as deflators. The time series for consumer prices in Croatia is constructed in the following manner: retail price indices are used until December 1997 inclusive, and consumer price indices are used as of January 1998. Data for the last two months are preliminary. The historical data may be corrected for the subsequent changes in the data published by the statistical offices of the countries whose prices are included in the calculation of the index of the real effective exchange rate of the kuna.

Table H12: Gross External Debt by Domestic Sectors

million euros

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006		20	007	
	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.*	Mar.*	Jun.*	Jul.*	Aug.
. Government	5,981.8	5,884.9	6,570.7	7,257.3	7,047.3	6,662.2	6,515.8	6,764.7	6,493.5	6,562.
Short-term	0.6	1.3	1.3	2.7	2.0	1.3	1.1	4.7	4.9	4.
Money market instruments	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
Credits	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
Trade credits	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
Other debt liabilities	0.6	1.3	1.3	2.7	2.0	1.3	1.1	4.7	4.9	4.
Principal arrears	0.3	0.9	0.9	2.4	1.8	0.0	0.5	3.1	3.3	3.
Interest arrears	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.2	1.3	0.6	1.6	1.7	1.
Other	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
Long-term	5,981.2	5,883.6	6,569.4	7,254.6	7,045.3	6,661.0	6,514.7	6,760.1	6,488.6	6,558.
Bonds	4,303.1	3,950.4	4,306.6	4,662.4	4,052.1	3,640.5	3,528.6	3,793.8	3,535.4	3,557.
Credits	1,676.7	1,932.1	2,260.5	2,590.2	2,990.6	3,018.5	2,984.4	2,964.8	2,951.9	2,999
Trade credits	1.3	1,352.1	2,200.3	2,000.2	2,330.0	1.9	1.7	2,304.0	1.4	2,000.
Other debt liabilities	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
. Croatian National Bank	215.9	23.2	365.9	2.4	2.6	2.6	2.1	2.3	2.1	2.
Short-term	76.9	23.2	365.9	2.4	2.6	2.6	2.1	2.3	2.1	2.
Money market instruments	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0
Credits	75.3	21.5	363.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0
Currency and deposits	1.7	1.7	2.6	2.4	2.6	2.6	2.1	2.3	2.1	2
Other debt liabilities	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0
Principal arrears	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0
Interest arrears	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0
Other	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0
Long-term	139.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0
Bonds	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0
Credits	139.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0
Currency and deposits	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0
Other debt liabilities	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0
. Banks	2,565.5	3,798.7	6,140.1	7,731.7	8,978.7	10,222.6	10,313.8	9,804.5	9,211.2	8,507
Short-term	4.3	1.2	605.5	1,969.2	2,505.2	3,362.7	3,447.7	2,961.9	2,607.3	2,157
Money market instruments	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0
Credits	2.6	0.3	604.6	519.9	1,064.8	1,150.4	1,013.7	844.6	642.7	391
Currency and deposits	0.0	0.0	0.0	1,448.4	1,438.6	2,211.1	2,432.8	2,116.2	1,963.5	1,765
Other debt liabilities	1.7	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.7	1.2	1.3	1.1	1.1	0
Principal arrears	0.9	0.5	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0
Interest arrears	0.7	0.4	0.7	0.9	1.7	1.2	1.3	1.1	0.8	0
Other	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0
Long-term	2,561.2	3,797.5	5,534.7	5,762.5	6,473.6	6,859.9	6,866.1	6,842.5	6,603.9	6,350
Bonds	0.0	0.0	0.0	453.2	456.6	457.9	463.2	468.5	451.0	452
Credits	1,843.0	1,900.6	2,798.5	3,517.4	3,822.7	4,217.3	3,830.0	3,439.6	3,430.2	3,449
Currency and deposits	718.3	1,896.9	2,736.2	1,791.9	2,194.3	2,184.7	2,572.9	2,934.4	2,722.7	2,448
Other debt liabilities	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0
Other sectors	3,754.3	4,030.9	4,945.7	5,895.6	7,264.0	9,449.6	10,140.6	10,873.4	11,898.8	12,110
Short-term	454.6	472.6	512.9	535.2	707.7	786.0	1,005.1	1,099.8	1,281.8	1,316
Money market instruments	32.4	0.0	33.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0
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Credits	54.0	25.4	68.1	98.5	140.2	213.6	411.5	445.6	635.5	652
Currency and deposits	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	C
Trade credits	40.9	47.5	22.2	23.2	27.8	36.0	33.9	37.8	37.9	37
Other debt liabilities	327.4	399.7	389.0	413.5	539.8	536.4	559.7	616.3	608.4	626
Principal arrears	298.2	366.5	356.3	377.1	496.3	479.6	496.0	538.2	540.9	559
Interest arrears	29.1	33.2	32.7	36.3	43.5	56.9	63.7	78.1	67.5	67
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Other		2 550 2	4,432.8	5,360.4	6,556.2	8,663.6	9,135.5	9,773.6	10,617.1	10,793
Other Long-term	3,299.8	3,558.2	1, 102.0							
	3,299.8 31.2	3,558.2 171.9	344.8	377.9	375.3	306.4	314.1	319.6	623.2	615
Long-term Bonds	31.2	171.9	344.8	377.9						
Long-term					375.3 6,017.1 0.0	306.4 8,213.8 0.0	314.1 8,673.2 0.0	319.6 9,225.6 0.0	623.2 9,766.6 0.0	615 9,951 0

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Other debt liabilities	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
5. Direct investment	1,091.7	1,405.4	1,861.4	2,046.1	2,455.0	2,847.1	2,985.6	3,329.9	3,261.3	3,453.0
Short-term	56.7	79.8	122.3	124.1	184.6	260.5	313.5	373.5	370.7	367.5
Money market instruments	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Credits	4.5	29.9	38.7	33.0	36.5	53.2	91.0	123.9	133.5	120.8
Trade credits	1.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other debt liabilities	50.6	49.9	83.6	91.2	148.1	207.3	222.4	249.6	237.2	246.7
Principal arrears	42.7	42.0	73.4	78.1	128.7	179.6	196.5	218.3	212.6	222.3
Interest arrears	7.9	7.9	10.2	13.1	19.4	27.7	26.0	31.3	24.6	24.4
Other	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Long-term	1,035.0	1,325.7	1,739.1	1,921.9	2,270.4	2,586.6	2,672.2	2,956.4	2,890.5	3,085.5
Bonds	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Credits	1,013.4	1,291.6	1,707.6	1,892.2	2,236.8	2,559.7	2,647.0	2,932.0	2,866.3	3,061.9
Trade credits	21.6	34.1	31.5	29.8	33.6	26.8	25.2	24.4	24.2	23.6
Other debt liabilities	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total (1+2+3+4+5)	13,609.3	15,143.1	19,883.8	22,933.0	25,747.7	29,184.2	29,958.0	30,774.8	30,867.0	30,635.9

Table H12: Gross External Debt by Domestic Sectors

External debt is defined as the external debt liabilities of residents on the basis of debt securities issued in the foreign markets (at face value), credits (repo agreements included) regardless of their contractual maturity, deposits of non-residents, and trade credits granted by non-residents with contractual maturity of more than 180 days (90 days up to 11 July 2001 and 150 days up to 31 December 2002).

External debt by domestic sectors is shown in the same manner as in the Capital and Financial Account of the BOP. Item Government shows the external debt of the general government, comprising the Republic of Croatia, central government funds (including the Croatian Bank for Reconstruction and Development, the State Agency for Deposit Insurance and Bank Rehabilitation, the Croatian Roads and the Croatian Motorways), and local government. Item Croatian National Bank shows the debt of the central bank. Item Banks shows the debt of banks. Item Other sectors shows the debt of other banking institutions, non-banking financial institutions, enterprises, non-profit institutions and households, including craftsmen. Item Direct investment shows borrower – lender transactions of other sectors that are interrelated by ownership (borrower or lender owns more than 10% of the other).

Each sector data are further shown by contractual (short-term or long-term) maturity and by debt instrument. From the beginning of 2004, instruments included in item Currency and deposits (3. Banks) are reported in accordance with their maturity. Data for the previous periods are reported only on a long-term basis.

Outstanding gross external debt includes principal and interest

arrears, as well as accrual interest and future principal payments. Outstanding debt data are shown at the CNB's midpoint ex-

change rate at the end of the period.

Data are considered preliminary until after publication of the final BOP data for the reporting quarter.

Table H13: Public Sector Gross External Debt, and Publicly Guaranteed and Non-Publicly Guaranteed Private Sector Gross External Debt

The gross external debt position presented in this Table highlights the role of the public sector.

Public sector includes the general government (comprising the Republic of Croatia, central government funds and local government), the central bank, public enterprises and mixed enterprises. Public enterprises are defined as enterprises in 100% ownership of business entities from the public sector. Mixed enterprises are defined as enterprises in which business entities from the public sector have a share larger than 50%.

Publicly guaranteed private sector gross external debt is defined as the external debt liabilities of business entities not covered by the definition of the public sector, the servicing of which is guaranteed by a business entity from the public sector.

Non-publicly guaranteed private sector gross external debt is defined as the external debt liabilities of business entities not covered by the definition of the public sector, the servicing of which is not guaranteed by the public sector.

Items are valued in the same manner as in Table H12.

Table H13: Public Sector Gross External Debt, and Publicly Guaranteed and Non-Publicly GuaranteedPrivate Sector Gross External Debt

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006		20	007	
	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.*	Mar.*	Jun.*	Jul.	Aug.
1. Public sector	7,542.4	7,211.5	8,327.6	8,580.3	8,500.4	8,250.2	8,174.7	8,553.3	8,662.0	8,728.3
Short-term	178.4	60.8	415.8	29.5	23.1	43.1	34.9	37.2	37.8	38.6
Money market instruments	26.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Credits	98.5	21.9	391.2	0.7	2.3	15.2	12.4	12.2	13.6	14.4
Currency and deposits	1.7	1.7	2.6	2.4	2.6	2.6	2.1	2.3	2.1	2.1
Trade credits	26.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other debt liabilities	25.1	37.2	22.1	26.4	18.2	25.3	20.4	22.6	22.1	22.0
Principal arrears	23.0	35.0	20.5	25.4	17.1	21.9	19.2	19.2	19.0	19.0
Interest arrears	2.1	2.1	1.6	1.0	1.1	3.4	1.2	3.5	3.1	3.1
Other	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Long-term	7,363.4	7,150.2	7,911.5	8,549.6	8,476.3	8,205.7	8,138.2	8,514.6	8,622.3	8,687.9
Bonds	4,303.1	3,950.4	4,306.6	4,662.4	4,052.1	3,640.5	3,528.6	3,793.8	3,836.3	3,852.6
Credits	2,967.5	3,118.5	3,554.4	3,833.2	4,314.5	4,478.5	4,509.5	4,565.6	4,631.4	4,683.9
Currency and deposits	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	9.6	7.4	11.0	7.3
Trade credits	92.8	81.4	50.6	54.1	109.7	86.6	90.6	147.8	143.6	144.0
Other debt liabilities	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Direct investment	0.6	0.5	0.3	1.2	1.0	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.8	1.8
2. Publicly guaranteed private sector	622.1	559.5	433.7	334.1	290.8	204.0	177.5	174.5	150.4	151.2
Short-term	11.4	21.8	21.1	23.5	22.1	17.2	16.4	15.8	16.7	16.8
Money market instruments	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Credits	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Currency and deposits	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Trade credits	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other debt liabilities	11.4	21.8	21.1	23.5	22.1	17.2	16.4	15.8	16.7	16.8
Principal arrears	7.0	13.9	14.3	15.6	14.5	14.4	13.9	13.3	14.7	14.7
Interest arrears	4.4	7.9	6.8	7.9	7.6	2.8	2.4	2.5	2.1	2.1
Other	4.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.
	610.7	537.8	412.6	310.6	268.8	186.9	161.1	158.7	133.6	134.5
Long-term Bonds	31.2	31.2	31.2	0.0	208.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
			378.9				161.1			
Credits	573.6 0.0	502.5		309.1	267.0 0.0	186.9 0.0		158.7	133.6	134.5
Currency and deposits		0.0	0.0	0.0			0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Trade credits	5.9	4.0	2.5	1.5	1.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other debt liabilities	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Direct investment	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3. Non-publicly guaranteed private sector	5,444.7	7,372.1	11,122.4	14,018.6	16,956.4	20,729.9	21,605.8	22,047.0	22,054.6	21,756.3
Short-term	346.6	415.8	1,048.6	2,456.4	3,172.3	4,092.4	4,404.7	4,015.7	3,841.5	3,425.6
Money market instruments	5.6	0.0	33.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Credits	33.4	25.4	644.8	617.7	1,202.7	1,348.9	1,412.7	1,278.0	1,264.6	1,029.3
Currency and deposits	0.0	0.0	0.0	1,448.4	1,438.6	2,211.1	2,432.8	2,116.2	1,963.5	1,765.5
Trade credits	14.6	47.5	22.2	23.2	27.8	36.0	33.9	37.8	37.9	37.7
Other debt liabilities	293.1	342.9	347.9	367.1	503.2	496.5	525.3	583.6	575.6	593.0
Principal arrears	269.5	318.9	322.6	338.5	466.4	443.3	463.4	508.8	510.7	529.0
Interest arrears	23.6	24.0	25.3	28.6	36.8	53.2	62.0	74.9	64.8	64.0
Other	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Long-term	4,007.0	5,551.4	8,212.8	9,517.3	11,330.1	13,792.0	14,217.0	14,702.9	14,953.7	14,879.6
Bonds	0.0	140.7	313.7	831.1	831.8	764.3	777.3	788.1	773.3	773.2
Credits	3,158.2	3,386.6	5,058.6	6,817.9	8,249.0	10,784.2	10,807.4	10,898.3	11,372.8	11,574.1
Currency and deposits	718.3	1,896.9	2,736.2	1,791.9	2,194.3	2,184.7	2,572.9	2,934.4	2,722.7	2,448.1
Trade credits	130.5	127.1	104.3	76.3	55.0	58.8	59.4	82.0	84.9	84.2
Other debt liabilities	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Direct investment	1,091.1	1,404.9	1,861.1	2,044.9	2,454.0	2,845.6	2,984.1	3,328.4	3,259.4	3,451.1
Total (1+2+3)	13,609.3	15,143.1	19,883.8	22,933.0	25,747.7	29,184.2	29,958.0	30,774.8	30,866.9	30,635.9

Table H14: Gross External Debt by Domestic Sectors and Projected Future Payments

million euros

	Outstanding debt	Immediate					Proje	ected futu	ire princi	pal paym	ents				
	31/8/2007	mineuiate	Q3/07	Q4/07	Q1/08	Q2/08	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Other
1. Government	6,562.5	4.4	115.4	106.6	86.6	406.5	222.0	706.5	1,049.3	839.5	1,483.3	276.6	229.5	698.0	1,053.
Short-term	4.4	4.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
Money market instruments	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Credits	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
Trade credits	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
Other debt liabilities	4.4	4.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
Principal arrears	3.0	3.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
Interest arrears	1.4	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
Other	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
Long-term	6,558.1	0.0	115.4	106.6	86.6	406.5	222.0	706.5	1,049.3	839.5	1,483.3	276.6	229.5		1,053.
Bonds	3,557.2	0.0	78.1	0.0	27.3	156.8	78.1	228.8	726.3	566.0	1,057.1	45.7	28.4	523.1	303.
Credits	2,999.5	0.0	37.3	106.4	59.1	249.6	143.7	477.1	322.9	273.5	426.1	230.8	201.0	174.9	749.
Trade credits	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.
Other debt liabilities	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
2. Croatian National Bank	2.1	0.0	2.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
Short-term	2.1	0.0	2.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
Money market instruments	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
Credits	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
Currency and deposits	2.1	0.0	2.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
Other debt liabilities	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
Principal arrears	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
Interest arrears	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
Other	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
Long-term	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
Bonds	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
Credits	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
Currency and deposits	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
Other debt liabilities	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
3. Banks	8,507.5	0.7	1,428.3	820.0	183.1	314.3	2,248.3	1,251.7	1,590.7	272.2	741.3	376.4	93.8		1,858.
Short-term	2,157.5	0.7	1,331.2	493.4	79.0	164.7	1,824.6	332.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
Money market instruments	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
Credits	391.2	0.0	305.5	0.0	0.0	85.7	305.5	85.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
Currency and deposits	1,765.5	0.0	1,025.7	493.4	79.0	79.0	1,519.1	246.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
Other debt liabilities	0.7	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
Principal arrears	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
Interest arrears	0.6	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Long-term	6,350.0	0.0	97.1	326.6	104.2	149.7	423.7		1,590.7	272.2	741.3	376.4	93.8		1,858.
Bonds	452.6	0.0	2.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.6	0.0	450.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Credits	3,449.2	0.0	51.8	188.8	54.0	99.5	240.6	681.4	876.7	164.9	741.3	376.4	93.8	73.9	200.4
Currency and deposits	2,448.1	0.0	42.7	137.9	50.1	50.1	180.6	238.1	264.0	107.4	0.0	0.0	0.0		1,658.
Other debt liabilities	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
4. Other sectors	12,110.8	626.7		1,009.2	538.2			1,894.4			1,426.7		325.3		2,189.6
Short-term	1,316.9	626.7	60.4	327.8	207.3	37.2	388.2	302.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
Money market instruments	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
Credits	652.4	0.0	60.4	327.8	169.6	37.2	388.2	264.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
Currency and deposits	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
Trade credits	37.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	37.7	0.0	0.0	37.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
Other debt liabilities	626.7	626.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
Principal arrears	559.6	559.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
Interest arrears	67.1	67.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
Other	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
Long-term	10,793.9	0.0	261.6	681.3	330.9	355.3	942.9	1,592.4	1,656.5	1,329.9	1,426.7	1,037.2	325.3	293.5	2,189.
Bonds	615.9	0.0	19.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	19.9	6.5	6.5	7.4	124.8	9.3	9.3	11.1	421.
Credits	9,951.1	0.0	231.3	662.9	310.4	337.4	894.2	1,498.5	1,571.8	1,297.5	1,297.6	1,027.5	314.6	282.0	1,767.
Currency and deposits	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Trade credits	226.9	0.0	10.4	18.4	20.5	17.9	28.8	87.5	78.1	25.0	4.4	0.5	1.4	0.3	0.9

Other debt liabilities	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
5. Direct investment	3,453.0	246.7	129.6	234.8	196.5	104.6	364.5	531.4	426.6	298.2	363.9	236.9	52.8	95.8	836.3
Short-term	367.5	246.7	21.0	52.0	22.9	18.8	73.0	47.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Money market instruments	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Credits	120.8	0.0	21.0	52.0	22.9	18.8	73.0	47.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Trade credits	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other debt liabilities	246.7	246.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Principal arrears	222.3	222.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Interest arrears	24.4	24.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Long-term	3,085.5	0.0	108.7	182.8	173.6	85.8	291.5	483.6	426.6	298.2	363.9	236.9	52.8	95.8	836.3
Bonds	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Credits	3,061.9	0.0	107.0	181.1	172.3	85.0	288.1	479.2	420.0	291.6	362.6	236.4	52.6	95.4	836.1
Trade credits	23.6	0.0	1.6	1.8	1.3	0.8	3.4	4.4	6.6	6.6	1.4	0.6	0.2	0.5	0.1
Other debt liabilities	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total (1+2+3+4+5)	30,635.9	878.6	1,997.3	2,170.6	1,004.5	1,218.0	4,167.9	4,384.0	4,723.0	2,739.8	4,015.3	1,927.1	701.3	1,161.1	5,937.8
Supplement: Projected interest payments			0.0	264.7	261.6	225.2	264.7	878.0	792.8	608.8	528.1	293.2	242.9	231.9	704.6

Table H14: Gross External Debt by Domestic Sectors and Projected Future Payments

The Table shows outstanding gross external debt, projected principal payments and estimated interest payments according to the CNB's midpoint exchange rate at the end of the period. Principal payments on Currency and deposits of non-residents are projected according to the available monetary statistics data on original and remaining maturity. Estimated interest payments do not include interest on deposits from non-residents, repo transactions and hybrid and subordinated instruments, as well as late interest on these instruments. Future interest payments are estimated on the basis of contractual interest rates and do not reflect changes of variable interest rates.

Projected payments of accrual interest, which are an integral part of the gross external debt, increase the projected principal payments in the first quarter period and, consequently, decrease the interest payments estimated for the same period.

Table H15: International Investment Position – Summary

million euros

	2001	2002 ^a	2003 ^a	2004 ^a	2005 ^a	2006 ^a	2	007
	2001	2002-	2003-	2004-	2005-	2006-	Q1ª	Q2 ^b
1. International investment position (net)	-4,204.4	-7,185.3	-10,827.2	-15,526.7	-20,387.5	-30,084.3	-35,284.4	-37,947.3
2. Assets	12,720.6	12,492.1	14,237.1	14,962.5	15,888.5	18,080.8	18,792.5	19,260.0
2.1. Direct investment abroad	1,008.0	1,606.8	1,626.7	1,563.4	1,729.7	1,831.6	1,895.4	2,190.7
2.2. Portfolio investment	251.1	876.5	737.4	1,506.0	2,136.8	2,575.9	2,873.0	3,243.7
2.2.1. Equity securities	23.6	105.6	174.9	202.9	481.3	828.1	1,205.8	1,589.7
2.2.2. Debt securities	227.5	770.9	562.5	1,303.1	1,655.6	1,747.8	1,667.2	1,654.1
Bonds	196.4	761.0	560.0	1,142.6	1,508.4	1,356.4	1,262.1	1,232.5
Money market instruments	31.1	9.9	2.4	160.4	147.1	391.4	405.1	421.5
2.3. Financial derivatives	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2.4. Other investment	6,127.9	4,357.4	5,319.0	5,456.9	4,583.7	4,947.9	4,504.3	4,655.2
2.4.1. Trade credits	249.3	222.5	253.4	221.6	263.0	236.7	225.5	198.8
2.4.2. Loans	95.6	108.9	102.1	102.2	146.1	240.4	252.0	253.5
2.4.3. Currency and deposits	5,782.9	4,026.0	4,963.5	5,133.1	4,174.5	4,470.5	4,026.8	4,202.9
2.4.4. Other assets	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0
2.5. Reserve assets (CNB)	5,333.6	5,651.3	6,554.1	6,436.1	7,438.4	8,725.3	9,519.7	9,170.3
3. Liabilities	16,925.0	19,677.3	25,064.3	30,489.1	36,276.1	48,165.0	54,076.9	57,207.2
3.1. Direct investment in Croatia	4,414.0	5,790.8	6,808.6	9,114.2	12,336.9	20,753.1	26,014.9	28,606.2
3.2. Portfolio investment	4,474.5	4,347.4	4,918.4	5,981.6	5,530.4	5,450.0	5,388.0	5,760.8
3.2.1. Equity securities	144.1	238.7	233.4	488.1	646.5	1,037.5	1,080.4	1,198.2
3.2.2. Debt securities	4,330.4	4,108.7	4,685.1	5,493.5	4,883.9	4,412.5	4,307.6	4,562.6
Bonds	4,299.3	4,108.7	4,651.4	5,493.5	4,883.9	4,412.5	4,307.6	4,562.6
Money market instruments	31.1	0.0	33.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3.3. Financial derivatives	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3.4. Other investment	8,036.5	9,539.1	13,337.3	15,393.4	18,408.7	21,961.9	22,674.0	22,840.2
3.4.1. Trade credits	268.4	258.4	179.5	155.1	194.2	181.3	183.5	257.7
3.4.2. Loans	6,722.9	6,981.2	10,027.9	11,578.7	14,035.5	16,833.6	16,902.4	16,846.6
3.4.3. Currency and deposits	719.9	1,898.6	2,738.8	3,242.7	3,635.6	4,398.3	5,007.8	5,053.0
3.4.4. Other assets	325.3	400.9	391.2	417.0	543.5	548.7	580.2	683.0

a Revised data. b Preliminary data.

Table H15: International Investment Position

This table is made in accordance with the recommendations of the IMF (Balance of Payments Manual, Fifth Edition, 1993). Data sources include: reports from banks, enterprises, the Croatian National Bank, and the Zagreb Stock Exchange (ZSE).

Data on international investments of the Republic of Croatia and international investments into the Republic of Croatia are recorded in euros (EUR) and US dollars (USD). Depending on the sources of data available, the conversion of values from the original currencies into the reporting currencies is performed:

- by applying the current rate of exchange or the average monthly midpoint exchange rate of the Croatian National Bank to transactions;
- by applying the midpoint exchange rate of the Croatian National Bank on the reporting date to balances.

The source of data on foreign direct and portfolio equity investment is the statistical research of the Croatian National Bank. The equity investments have been monitored since the beginning of 2001 and are corrected for changes in the official index of the Zagreb Stock Exchange (CROBEX).

Portfolio debt investment and other investment are classified according to the following institutional sectors: the Croatian National Bank, government, banks and other sectors. The government sector comprises the central government and funds and local government authorities. The banking sector comprises banks.

Item Portfolio debt investment – Assets and liabilities comprises data on investments of residents into debt securities issued by nonresidents (assets) and investments of non-residents into debt securities issued by residents (liabilities). The source of data is the register of foreign credit relations kept by the Croatian National Bank, which also comprises claims and liabilities arising from bonds and money market instruments.

Item Other investment – Trade credits – Assets and liabilities comprises foreign claims and foreign liabilities of the said sectors arising from trade credits. The source of data is the register of foreign credit relations kept by the Croatian National Bank.

Item Other investment – Loans – Assets and liabilities comprises data on loans granted and received between residents and non-residents classified according to institutional sectors. The source of data is the register of foreign credit relations kept by the Croatian National Bank.

Item Other investment – Currency and deposits – Assets shows the total liquid foreign currency assets of banks authorised to do business abroad reduced by the amount of foreign currency deposited by banks with the CNB in fulfilment of a part of their reserve requirements. In addition to banks' foreign claims, foreign claims of the government sector are also shown. The sources of data are reports from the government and banks.

Item Other investment – Currency and deposits – Liabilities shows the total foreign currency and kuna liabilities of the said sectors abroad arising from current accounts, time and notice deposits, sight deposits and demand deposits. The sources of data for this item are reports from banks.

Item International reserves of the CNB is compiled on the basis of the CNB Accounting Department reports which contain data on their balances and changes.

Table H16: International Investment Position – Direct Investment

million euros

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006 ^a	20	007
	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006"	Q1 ^a	Q2 ^b
Direct investment (net)	-3,406.0	-4,183.9	-5,181.9	-7,550.8	-10,607.2	-18,921.4	-24,119.5	-26,415.5
1. Abroad	1,008.0	1,606.8	1,626.7	1,563.4	1,729.7	1,831.6	1,895.4	2,190.7
1.1. Equity capital and reinvested earnings	975.0	1,569.1	1,587.0	1,502.3	1,610.4	1,725.0	1,770.6	2,068.6
1.1.1. Claims	975.0	1,569.1	1,587.0	1,502.3	1,610.4	1,725.0	1,770.6	2,068.6
1.1.2. Liabilities	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1.2. Other capital	33.0	37.7	39.7	61.2	119.3	106.7	124.9	122.2
1.1.1. Claims	43.4	49.9	63.4	89.6	137.9	143.3	165.3	166.9
1.2.2. Liabilities	10.4	12.2	23.7	28.4	18.6	36.6	40.4	44.7
1.3 Financial derivatives (net)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2. In Croatia	4,414.0	5,790.8	6,808.6	9,114.2	12,336.9	20,753.1	26,014.9	28,606.2
2.1. Equity capital and reinvested earnings	3,339.4	4,400.6	4,972.7	7,116.4	9,920.6	17,961.3	23,095.4	25,318.4
2.1.1. Claims	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2.1.2. Liabilities	3,339.4	4,400.6	4,972.7	7,116.4	9,920.6	17,961.3	23,095.4	25,318.4
2.2. Other capital	1,074.7	1,390.2	1,835.9	1,997.8	2,416.3	2,791.8	2,919.5	3,287.9
2.2.1. Claims	0.0	0.3	1.8	19.9	20.1	3.6	5.0	4.4
2.2.2. Liabilities	1,074.7	1,390.5	1,837.7	2,017.7	2,436.4	2,795.4	2,924.5	3,292.3
2.3. Financial derivatives (net)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

^a Revised data. ^b Preliminary data.

Table H17: International Investment Position – Portfolio Investment

million euros

	0004	00003	00003 00003	2004ª	00053	00003	20	007
	2001	2002 ^a	2003 ^a	2004ª	2005 ^a	2006 ^a	Q1 ^a	Q2 ^b
Portfolio investment (net)	-4.223.3	-3.511.3	-4.281.2	-4.565.6	-3.393.6	-2.874.1	-2.515.0	-2.517.1
1. Assets	251.1	801.5	599.8	1,334.9	2,136.8	2,575.9	2,873.0	3,243.7
1.1. Equity securities	23.6	30.6	37.4	31.9	481.3	828.1	1,205.8	1,589.7
1.1.1. Banks	7.5	7.4	4.7	5.1	5.9	6.7	7.2	7.5
1.1.2. Other sectors	16.2	23.2	32.6	26.8	475.3	821.4	1,198.6	1,582.2
1.2. Debt securities	227.5	770.9	562.5	1,303.1	1,655.6	1,747.8	1,667.2	1,654.1
2. Liabilities	4,474.5	4,312.8	4,881.0	5,900.5	5,530.4	5,450.0	5,388.0	5,760.8
2.1. Equity securities	144.1	204.1	196.0	407.0	646.5	1,037.5	1,080.4	1,198.2
2.1.1. Banks	40.7	44.5	46.3	64.7	84.0	156.7	182.7	191.0
2.1.2. Other sectors	103.4	159.6	149.6	342.3	562.6	880.8	897.7	1,007.2
2.2. Debt securities	4,330.4	4,108.7	4,685.1	5,493.5	4,883.9	4,412.5	4,307.6	4,562.6
2.2.1. Bonds	4,299.3	4,108.7	4,651.4	5,493.5	4,883.9	4,412.5	4,307.6	4,562.6
2.2.1.1. General government	4,268.2	3,947.6	4,306.6	4,662.4	4,052.1	3,648.2	3,530.3	3,775.1
2.2.1.2. Banks	0.0	0.0	0.0	453.2	456.6	457.9	463.2	468.0
2.2.1.3. Other sectors	31.2	161.2	344.8	377.9	375.3	306.4	314.1	319.6
2.2.2. Money market instruments	31.1	0.0	33.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2.2.2.1. Other sectors	31.1	0.0	33.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

^a Revised data. ^b Preliminary data.

Table H18: International Investment Position – Other Investment

million euros

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006 ^a		007
	4 000 7	5 404 7	0.040.4	0.000 5	40.005.4	47.044.0	Q1ª	Q2 ^b
Other investment (net)	-1,908.7	-5,181.7 4,357.4	-8,018.4	-9,936.5	-13,825.1	-17,014.0	-18,169.6	-18,185.
1. Assets 1.1. Trade credits	6,127.9 249.3	4,357.4	253.4	5,456.9 221.6	4,583.7 263.0	236.7	4,504.3 225.5	4,655. 198.
1.1.1. General government	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.
-								0.
Long-term 1.1.2. Other sectors	0.0 249.3	0.0 222.5	0.0 253.4	0.0 221.6	0.3 262.7	0.1 236.6	0.1 225.4	0. 198.
	249.3	222.5		181.4	190.6			196. 194.
Long-term	243.3	6.2	211.5		72.1	181.8	184.8	194.
Short-term			41.9	40.2		54.8	40.6	
1.2. Loans	95.6 0.7	108.9 0.7	102.1 0.6	102.2 0.6	146.1 0.6	240.4 0.6	252.0 0.6	253. 0.
1.2.1. Croatian National Bank								
Long-term	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.
1.2.2. General government	6.1	4.8	5.3	7.0	8.7	9.5	9.0	12.
Long-term	6.1	4.8	5.3	7.0	8.7	9.5	9.0	12.
1.2.3. Banks	83.4	97.5	87.1	81.6	113.2	188.9	194.8	191.
Long-term	58.3	72.9	63.1	62.6	85.3	140.5	158.3	167.
Short-term	25.1	24.6	23.9	19.0	27.9	48.5	36.5	24.
1.2.4. Other sectors	5.4	5.9	9.1	13.0	23.6	41.3	47.7	48.
Long-term	5.4	5.8	9.1	11.7	23.3	41.3	47.6	48.
Short-term	0.0	0.1	0.0	1.3	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.
1.3. Currency and deposits	5,782.9	4,026.0	4,963.5	5,133.1	4,174.5	4,470.5	4,026.8	4,202.
1.3.2. General government	94.7	115.7	81.9	8.9	54.2	26.4	1.4	0.
1.3.3. Banks	4,438.8	2,754.3	3,806.3	4,164.6	2,958.2	3,332.2	2,897.7	3,087
1.3.4. Other sectors	1,249.4	1,156.0	1,075.4	959.7	1,162.1	1,111.9	1,127.7	1,115.
1.4. Other assets	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.
2. Liabilities	8,036.5	9,539.1	13,337.3	15,393.4	18,408.7	21,961.9	22,674.0	22,840.
2.1. Trade credits	268.4	258.4	179.5	155.1	194.2	181.3	183.5	257.
2.1.1. General government	1.3	1.1	2.3	2.1	2.6	1.9	1.7	1.
Long-term	1.3	1.1	2.3	2.1	2.6	1.9	1.7	1.
Short-term	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
2.1.2. Other sectors	267.1	257.4	177.2	153.0	191.6	179.4	181.8	256.
Long-term	226.7	209.9	155.0	129.8	163.8	143.4	147.9	223.
Short-term	40.4	47.5	22.2	23.2	27.8	36.0	33.9	33.
2.2. Loans	6,722.9	6,981.2	10,027.9	11,578.7	14,035.5	16,833.6	16,902.4	16,846.
2.2.1. Croatian National Bank	213.8	21.5	363.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
o/w: IMF	138.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
2.2.2. General government	1,672.7	1,950.8	2,260.5	2,590.2	2,990.6	3,018.4	2,983.4	2,962.
Long-term	1,672.7	1,950.8	2,260.5	2,590.2	2,990.6	3,018.4	2,983.4	2,962.
Short-term	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
2.2.3. Banks	1,813.5	1,878.7	3,403.0	4,037.3	4,887.5	5,367.7	4,843.9	4,283
Long-term	1,810.8	1,878.4	2,798.5	3,517.4	3,822.7	4,217.3	3,830.3	3,439.
Short-term	2.6	0.3	604.6	519.9	1,064.8	1,150.4	1,013.7	844.
2.2.4. Other sectors	3,022.9	3,130.1	4,001.0	4,951.3	6,157.3	8,447.5	9,075.1	9,600
Long-term	2,969.0	3,103.0	3,933.0	4,852.7	6,017.1	8,205.4	8,641.2	9,139.
Short-term	53.9	27.2	68.1	98.5	140.2	242.1	434.0	460.
2.3. Currency and deposits	719.9	1,898.6	2,738.8	3,242.7	3,635.6	4,398.3	5,007.8	5,053.
2.3.1. Croatian National Bank	1.7	1.7	2.6	2.4	2.6	2.6	2.1	2.
2.3.2. Banks	718.3	1,896.9	2,736.2	3,240.3	3,632.9	4,395.7	5,005.7	5,050.
2.4. Other liabilities	325.3	400.9	391.2	417.0	543.5	548.7	580.2	683.

^a Revised data. ^b Preliminary data.

Table I1: Consolidated Central Government According to the Government Level

million kuna

	2004	2005	2006 -		200)6				2007		
				Mar.	Jun.	Sep.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	Мау
1. REVENUE (A+B)			100,392.6	7,628.9	8,246.0	8,474.3	9,124.2	8,548.4	8,143.3		10,701.2	9,219.6
A) Budgetary central government		85,653.0	95,234.1	7,356.8	7,864.6	8,052.8	8,362.3	8,250.8	7,797.0		10,345.3	8,757.0
B) Extrabudgetary users	6,555.8	6,989.5	5,158.5	272.0	381.4	421.5	761.9	297.5	346.4	275.6	356.0	462.6
1. Croatian Pension Insurance Administration	129.9	38.0	293.5	0.0	8.4	0.3	181.9	-	-	-	-	-
2. Croatian Institute for Health Insurance	663.1	863.9	848.7	75.7	105.8	68.5	97.0	-	-	-	-	-
3. Croatian Employment Service	15.5	18.9	18.4	1.4	0.6	0.7	12.1	-	-	-	-	145.0
 Croatian Waters Fund for Environmental Protection and Energy 	1,224.4 170.7	1,227.8 214.7	1,526.9 659.8	61.8 53.0	88.6 39.8	139.5 51.4	270.4 83.5	141.9 38.3	88.0 82.3	161.3 53.9	154.7 53.6	145.8 125.4
Efficiency				- / -								
6. Croatian Motorways Ltd.	2,295.4	2,547.0	1,271.1	71.2	118.2	126.5	92.5	87.7	95.9	54.1	124.2	108.0
7. Croatian Roads Ltd.	1,417.8	1,474.7	64.7	6.8	14.6	2.7	12.6	4.5	4.0	3.3	3.7	3.9
8. State Agency for Deposit Insurance and Bank Rehabilitation	575.9	367.4	409.6	1.5	2.8	4.3	7.4	15.6	73.7	2.4	16.2	78.1
9. Croatian Privatisation Fund	62.9	237.0	65.9	0.6	2.7	27.8	4.6	9.5	2.5	0.6	3.5	1.4
2. EXPENSE (A+B)	86,941.4	92,332.1	98,751.4	8,280.1	7,736.7	7,939.9	10,668.7	7,851.1	8,698.2	8,811.9	8,659.3	8,272.0
A) Budgetary central government	81,861.2	86,715.6	91,979.7	7,806.1	7,158.1	7,373.1	9,568.0	7,477.1	8,336.9	8,481.0	8,270.9	7,804.2
B) Extrabudgetary users	5,080.3	5,616.5	6,771.7	474.0	578.5	566.7	1,100.6	374.0	361.3	331.0	388.4	467.8
1. Croatian Pension Insurance Administration	587.4	382.2	565.9	33.7	39.9	32.1	201.6	-	-	-	-	-
2. Croatian Institute for Health Insurance	831.3	914.3	931.6	76.9	87.8	95.6	70.5	-	-	-	-	-
3. Croatian Employment Service	141.3	145.9	155.0	12.6	12.5	11.9	14.3	-	-	-	-	-
4. Croatian Waters	1,426.3	1,489.5	1,779.1	109.2	150.3	179.0	372.6	142.0	86.4	104.1	103.9	117.4
5. Fund for Environmental Protection and Energy Efficiency	32.4	172.0	734.8	58.0	59.8	78.8	102.5	47.0	74.4	72.9	59.8	102.5
6. Croatian Motorways Ltd.	752.3	1,085.1	1,272.7	85.6	115.7	57.3	181.6	79.1	123.2	72.2	135.7	147.3
7. Croatian Roads Ltd.	934.6	1,062.4	1,226.9	88.0	101.4	103.5	142.9	79.6	70.3	75.6	76.9	92.0
 State Agency for Deposit Insurance and Bank Rehabilitation 	314.5	183.0	27.4	3.3	1.1	1.6	2.9	19.8	1.2	1.1	2.8	2.2
9. Croatian Privatisation Fund	60.1	182.1	78.4	6.7	10.0	6.8	11.7	6.5	5.9	5.0	9.2	6.4
NET/GROSS OPERATING BALANCE (1-2)	77.8	310.3	1,641.2	-651.3	509.3	534.4	-1,544.4	697.3	-554.8	-735.4	2,041.9	947.6
3. CHANGE IN NET WORTH: TRANSACTIONS (3.1.+3.2.–3.3.)	77.8	310.3	1,641.2	-651.3	509.3	534.4	-1,544.4	697.3	-554.8	-735.4	2,041.9	947.6
3.1. CHANGE IN NET ACQUISITION OF NON-FINANCIAL ASSETS	8,373.5	6,699.4	6,108.6	281.2	412.4	459.2	1,061.8	215.8	283.2	412.3	450.4	564.0
Acquisition	8,648.4	7,024.2	6,836.4	351.6	456.2	491.0	1,408.0	420.0	328.7	459.0	484.3	587.9
A) Budgetary central government	1,663.9	1,828.8	1,908.5	93.5	97.9	74.7	556.7	88.5	142.2	101.7	173.2	130.4
B) Extrabudgetary users	6,984.5	5,195.4	4,927.9	258.1	358.4	416.3	851.3	331.5	186.5	357.3	311.1	457.4
Disposals	274.9	324.8	727.7	70.4	43.8	31.8	346.2	204.2	45.5	46.8	33.9	23.8
A) Budgetary central government	244.4	275.1	352.7	32.9	37.5	24.1	44.1	170.3	45.4	32.3	33.3	23.7
B) Extrabudgetary users	30.5	49.6	375.1	37.5	6.3	7.7	302.2	33.8	0.1	14.5	0.6	0.1
NET LENDING/BORROWING (1-2-3.1.)	-8,295.6	-6,389.1	-4,467.4	-932.4	96.9	75.2	-2,606.2	481.5	-838.0	-1,147.7	1,591.5	383.6
TRANSACTIONS IN FINANCIAL ASSETS AND LIABILITIES (FINANCING) (3.3.–3.2.)	8,295.6	6,389.1	4,467.4	932.4	-96.9	-75.2	2,606.2	-481.5	838.0	1,147.7	-1,591.5	-383.6
3.2. CHANGE IN NET ACQUISITION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS	. 28.4	1,609.8	-2,576.7	-352.0	-307.8	-92.1	-3,355.6	-71.4	974.6	-755.0	1,267.8	-5.0
3.2.1. Domestic	18.6	1,614.6	-2,593.4	-352.0	-310.5	-92.1	-3,362.6	-71.4	974.6	-755.0	1,267.8	-10.3
A) Budgetary central government	138.6	1,747.7	-3,063.9	-308.7	-125.1		-3,553.8	150.0	981.6	-785.6	1,306.8	-181.7
B) Extrabudgetary users	-120.0	-133.1	470.5	-43.3	-185.4	125.9	191.2	-221.4	-6.9	30.6	-39.0	171.4
3.2.2. Foreign	9.8	-4.9	16.7	0.0	2.7	0.0	7.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.3
A) Budgetary central government	9.8	-4.9	16.7	0.0	2.7	0.0	7.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.3
B) Extrabudgetary users	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3.2.3. Monetary gold and SDRs	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3.3. CHANGE IN NET INCURRENCE OF LIABILITIES	8,324.0	7,998.8	1,890.7	580.5	-404.7	-167.3	-749.4	-552.8	1,812.7	392.6	-323.7	-388.5
3.3.1. Domestic	4 107 7	12,041.7	5,282.8	2,575.9	-276.1	-345.3	-803.0	6.2	1,822.5	472.3	-79.2	-745.5
A) Budgetary central government		10,591.6		2,597.4	-335.5		-1,463.0	12.4	1,824.5	277.8	-222.3	-745.5
B) Extrabudgetary users		1,450.1	2,116.5	2,597.4 -21.5	-335.5 59.5	-539.0	659.9	-6.3	-1.9	194.5	-222.3	-019.2
3.3.2. Foreign		-4,042.8	-3,392.1		-128.7	193.7	53.6	-559.0	-9.9	-79.6	-244.5	357.0
A) Budgetary central government		-4,042.8	-3,392.1		-128.7	59.3	53.6 48.2	-559.0 -468.5	-9.9 -9.9	-79.6	-244.5 -166.3	357.0 68.1
	3,946.0		-3,943.2	-2,154.5	-127.9	59.5 118.6	40.2 5.4	-408.5 -90.5	-9.9	-93.6	-78.2	288.8
B) Extrabudgetary users The Notes on Methodology can be found in the Ministry of I				159.1	-0.8	110.0	0.4	-90.3	0.0	14.0	-10.2	200.0

The Notes on Methodology can be found in the Ministry of Finance Monthly Statistical Review. Note: On a cash basis. Source: MoF.

Table I2: Budgetary Central Government Operations

million kuna

	2004	2005	2006 -		200	6				2007		
	2004	2005	2006	Mar.	Jun.	Sep.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	Мау
1. REVENUE	80,463.5	85,653.0	95,235.6	7,356.8	7,864.6	8,054.3	8,362.3	8250.84	7,797.1	7,803.2	10,346.8	8,757.8
1.1. Taxes	47,149.9	50,687.6	58,469.1	4,417.1	4,826.4	5,012.9	4,784.4	5020.15	4,495.4	4,502.2	6,813.9	5,315.2
1.2. Social contributions	29,477.6	31,301.3	33,877.1	2,703.8	2,843.8	2,852.6	3,161.9	2891.14	2,921.3	2,929.4	3,117.3	3,069.0
1.3. Grants	10.1	27.5	196.0	1.2	8.5	2.4	155.6	0.98	0.5	10.8	43.1	18.4
1.4. Other revenue	3,825.9	3,636.6	2,693.3	234.7	185.9	186.4	260.4	338.57	379.9	360.7	372.6	355.2
2. EXPENSE	83,131.1	87,857.5	95,950.0	8,047.8	7,463.2	7,742.0	9,981.7	7726.61	8,533.3	8,703.5	8,511.5	8,076.3
2.1. Compensation of employees	22,268.3	23,182.6	24,313.9	1,960.8	1,993.6	2,012.5	2,214.5	2183.45	2,171.8	2,152.2	2,441.1	2,209.9
2.2. Use of goods and services	4,358.7	4,951.9	6,069.1	465.8	390.9	389.9	1,217.5	387.40	541.4	521.9	603.6	494.3
2.3. Consumption of fixed capital	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2.4. Interest	3,972.5	4,387.0	4,713.6	803.5	361.1	319.2	413.1	362.48	602.3	715.5	291.8	273.7
2.5. Subsidies	4,968.1	5,248.7	5,670.8	659.5	334.1	382.9	678.6	418.07	652.2	582.6	479.7	436.8
2.6. Grants	3,420.3	3,796.8	6,653.0	371.5	435.0	574.0	924.4	512.56	325.2	379.6	450.5	486.4
2.7. Social benefits	39,730.9	41,358.5	43,444.6	3,497.5	3,545.3	3,653.5	3,928.7	3699.75	3,843.0	4,013.5	3,755.7	3,803.4
2.8. Other expense	4,412.4	4,931.9	5,085.0	289.1	403.4	410.0	604.9	162.89	397.4	338.2	489.1	371.9
3. CHANGE IN NET WORTH: TRANSACTIONS	-2,667.6	-2,204.5	-714.4	-690.9	401.4	312.3	-1,619.4	524.23	-736.2	-900.3	1,835.3	681.4
3.1. Change in net acquisition of non-financial assets	1,419.5	1,553.7	1,555.8	60.6	60.4	50.6	512.6	-81.87	96.8	69.5	139.9	106.7
3.1.1. Fixed assets	1,384.6	1,517.0	1,595.1	62.5	70.7	50.8	510.0	66.68	120.3	62.1	133.1	101.5
3.1.2. Inventories	0.0	0.0	-80.2	-3.7	-11.1	-1.7	-18.1	-148.91	-23.6	-1.3	-3.4	1.5
3.1.3. Valuables	7.5	7.2	7.8	1.1	0.3	0.1	2.1	0.09	0.3	0.9	0.9	0.9
3.1.4. Non-produced assets	27.3	29.5	33.1	0.7	0.5	1.4	18.6	0.27	-0.3	7.8	9.2	2.8
3.2. Change in net acquisition of financial assets	222.0	1,752.8	-3,047.2	-308.7	-122.4	-218.0	-3,546.8	150.00	981.6	-785.6	1,306.8	-176.3
3.2.1. Domestic	212.2	1,757.7	-3,063.9	-308.7	-125.1	-218.0	-3,553.8	150.00	981.6	-785.6	1,306.8	-181.7
3.2.2. Foreign	9.8	-4.9	16.7	0.0	2.7	0.0	7.0	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.3
3.2.3. Monetary gold and SDRs	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3.3. Change in net incurrence of liabilities	4,309.0	5,510.9	-777.0	442.8	-463.4	-479.7	-1,414.7	-456.1	1,814.6	184.2	-388.7	-751.1
3.3.1. Domestic	4,038.7	10,591.6	3,166.3	2,597.4	-335.5	-539.0	-1,463.0	12.4	1,824.5	277.8	-222.3	-819.2
3.3.2. Foreign	270.3	-5,080.6	-3,943.2	-2,154.5	-127.9	59.3	48.2	-468.5	-9.9	-93.6	-166.3	68.1

The Notes on Methodology can be found in the Ministry of Finance Monthly Statistical Review. Note: On a cash basis. Source: MoF.

Table I3: Central Government Debt

end of period, million kuna

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006		20	007	
	Dec.	Dec. ^a	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.*	Dec.*	Mar.*	Jun.*	Jul.	Aug.
1. Domestic debt of central government	24,907.3	31,421.5	34,736.4	41,517.0	55,028.8	59,732.5	62,292.6	62,437.5	63,801.0	64,084.0
1.1. Domestic debt of the Republic of Croatia	21,467.9	23,320.0	28,160.8	37,223.7	50,559.5	54,216.7	56,553.6	56,616.2	57,622.1	57,811.7
Treasury bills	4,892.3	5,632.7	6,548.1	9,022.5	12,533.4	12,662.2	13,556.6	12,956.3	12,129.6	12,326.3
Money market instruments	7.4	0.1	0.3	-	0.9	-	-	-	-	-
Bonds	15,415.8	15,887.9	17,422.0	23,080.1	30,716.0	34,827.9	37,256.9	36,732.6	36,788.8	36,733.1
Credits from the CNB	-	0.5	1.4	3.3	1.4	0.9	-	-	-	0.8
Credits from banks	1,152.4	1,798.8	4,189.1	5,117.8	7,307.8	6,725.7	5,740.1	6,927.4	8,703.7	8,751.4
1.2. Domestic debt of central government funds	3,439.4	8,101.5	6,575.5	4,293.3	4,469.2	5,515.8	5,739.0	5,821.2	6,179.0	6,272.9
Money market instruments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bonds	1,636.1	4,460.7	3,616.4	2,040.1	176.9	253.1	277.1	202.4	160.7	161.0
Credits from banks	1,803.3	3,640.7	2,959.1	2,253.2	4,292.3	5,262.6	5,461.9	5,618.8	6,018.2	6,111.9
2. External debt of central government	43,600.8	43,399.6	49,924.7	55,437.5	51,769.5	48,793.2	47,933.8	49,243.0	47,233.6	47,880.8
2.1. External debt of the Republic of Croatia	39,732.6	37,432.1	41,041.9	42,231.2	36,414.5	32,540.9	31,782.8	31,165.8	29,011.8	29,404.4
Money market instruments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bonds	30,984.2	28,719.3	32,115.1	32,919.3	27,020.1	22,836.9	22,204.0	21,950.1	20,031.5	20,249.7
Credits	8,748.4	8,712.8	8,926.8	9,311.9	9,394.5	9,704.0	9,578.8	9,215.6	8,980.2	9,154.7
2.2. External debt of central government funds	3,868.2	5,967.6	8,882.8	13,206.3	15,354.9	16,252.3	16,151.0	18,077.2	18,221.9	18,476.3
Money market instruments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bonds	730.1	680.4	816.9	2,846.8	2,866.5	3,903.1	3,845.8	5,756.5	5,767.2	5,787.2
Credits	3,138.1	5,287.2	8,066.0	10,359.5	12,488.4	12,349.2	12,305.2	12,320.7	12,454.7	12,689.7
3. Total (1+2)	68,508.1	74,821.1	84,661.1	96,954.5	106,798.2	108,525.7	110,226.4	111,680.5	111,034.6	111,965.4
Supplement: Central government guaranteed debt										
- guarantees for domestic debt	6,025.6	7,528.1	6,895.4	4,642.0	5,345.9	7,312.8	8,216.3	8,106.8	8,031.1	8,112.
 guarantees for external debt 	9,288.7	8,764.6	8,713.0	7,787.7	7,248.8	6,875.1	6,809.1	6,885.7	6,765.5	6,804.

^a Irrespective of the note under the heading "Classification and presentation of data on claims and liabilities", the debt of the Croatian Roads, the Croatian Motorways and the State Agency for Deposit Insurance and Bank Rehabilitation, presented in this table under headings 2. External debt of central government and 1. Domestic debt of central government, was reclassified from the subsector Republic of Croatia to the subsector central government funds in December 1998 and December 2002 respectively.

Table 13: Central Government Debt

Data on the central government debt are based on the available data and are not reconciled with the Ministry of Finance of the Republic of Croatia. The central government debt comprises the domestic and external debt. The Ministry of Finance Monthly Statistical Review, Monetary Authorities Accounts and Banks' Accounts are the sources of data on the domestic central government debt. The external debt statistics compiled by the CNB is the source of data on the central government external debt. The supplement contains the data on the central government guaranteed debt. Banks are the source of data on domestic debt guarantees, while the external debt statistics compiled by the CNB is the source of data on external debt guarantees.

Table J1: Consumer Price and Producer Price Indices

		Basic	indices, 200	5 = 100		Cha	in indices			Monthly yea	ar-on-year indi	ces
Year	Month	Cons	umer price in	ndices	Cons	umer price in	dices ^a	Producer	Cons	umer price ir	dices ^b	Producer
		Total	Goods	Services	Total	Goods	Services	prices	Total	Goods	Services	prices
1994	December				100.2	100.1	100.8	100.2	97.0	95.0	108.1	94.5
1995	December				100.2	100.2	99.8	100.5	103.7	102.4	109.3	101.6
1996	December				100.0	100.2	99.5	100.3	103.4	102.3	108.7	101.5
1997	December				100.7	100.3	102.3	99.9	103.8	102.7	108.2	101.6
1998	December	82.1	84.6	73.7	100.3	100.4	100.0	100.0	105.4	104.3	109.2	97.9
1999	December	85.3	87.2	78.5	100.6	100.8	100.0	100.3	103.9	103.1	106.5	105.9
2000	December	90.0	92.0	82.8	100.4	100.4	100.1	100.2	105.5	105.5	105.5	111.2
2001	December	92.1	93.2	88.5	100.4	100.4	100.5	99.0	102.4	101.3	106.8	96.9
2002	December	93.8	94.2	92.6	100.4	100.6	99.6	99.9	101.8	101.1	104.6	102.3
2003	December	95.4	95.7	94.6	100.3	100.2	100.5	100.0	101.7	101.6	102.2	101.0
2004	December	98.0	98.0	98.0	100.7	100.9	100.2	99.3	102.7	102.5	103.6	104.8
2005	December	101.6	101.4	102.0	100.5	100.5	100.5	99.7	103.6	103.5	104.1	102.7
2006	October	102.9	102.1	105.9	100.0	100.1	99.6	100.0	102.1	101.2	105.1	101.5
	November	103.6	102.8	106.1	100.6	100.8	100.2	100.1	102.5	101.9	104.5	101.6
	December	103.7	102.8	106.4	100.0	100.0	100.2	100.0	102.0	101.4	104.2	101.9
2007	January	104.0	102.7	107.8	100.3	100.0	101.4	100.8	101.8	100.9	104.4	102.2
	February	104.3	102.9	108.5	100.3	100.2	100.6	100.2	101.2	100.4	103.7	101.7
	March	104.9	103.8	108.6	100.6	100.8	100.1	100.6	101.8	101.1	103.7	102.0
	April	105.7	104.8	108.3	100.7	101.0	99.7	100.4	102.3	101.8	103.5	102.3
	May	106.2	105.5	108.1	100.5	100.6	99.9	100.4	102.2	101.9	103.0	102.3
	June	105.8	104.9	108.3	99.6	99.4	100.2	100.4	101.9	101.6	102.7	102.9
	July	105.1	103.8	109.3	99.4	98.9	100.8	100.2	102.1	101.9	102.8	103.0
	August	105.7	104.4	109.9	100.6	100.6	100.5	100.8	102.6	102.6	102.6	103.6
	September	107.0	106.4	108.7	101.2	101.9	98.9	100.6	103.9	104.3	102.2	104.5

^a Data from January 1992 to December 1997 relate to the retail price index. ^b Data from January 1992 to December 1998 relate to the retail price index.

Source: CBS.

Table J1: Consumer Price and Producer Price Indices

The Central Bureau of Statistics (CBS) introduced the consumer price index (CPI) in early 2004. This indicator of price movements was compiled in accordance with the methodological principles laid down by the ILO and Eurostat. In its First Release, issued on 17 February 2004, the CBS published the data on movements in the CPI in January 2004 and the time series for the CPI as of January 2001. The CBS subsequently constructed the time series for the consumer price index encompassing the period from January 1998 to December 2000. As expected following the introduction of the new index, the CBS ceased to publish the retail price index (RPI) and the cost of living index, whose calculation methodologies have not been adequately harmonised with internationally accepted standards. The main features of the CPI are described in the CNB Bulletin No. 91 (see Box 1). The data on the average year-on-year consumer price inflation rate are shown in the Bulletin table on Economic Indicators.

¥	Manth	Basi	c indices, 2005	= 100 ^a		Chain indices		Monthly year-on-year indices			
Year	Month -	Total	Goods	Services	Total	Goods	Services	Total	Goods	Services	
1998	December	87.3	88.6	80.0	99.9	99.9	100.0				
1999	December	89.8	91.1	82.3	100.1	100.1	100.1	102.9	102.9	103.0	
2000	December	92.8	93.9	86.5	100.4	100.4	100.2	103.3	103.0	105.0	
2001	December	93.9	94.6	89.8	99.8	99.7	100.3	101.2	100.8	103.8	
2002	December	95.0	95.6	91.9	100.0	100.1	99.4	101.2	101.0	102.4	
2003	December	96.2	96.4	94.7	100.2	100.1	101.0	101.2	100.9	103.0	
2004	December	98.4	98.5	97.4	100.1	100.1	100.4	102.3	102.2	102.9	
2005	December	101.3	101.4	101.0	100.1	100.0	100.5	103.0	102.9	103.7	
2006	September	103.2	103.1	104.1	100.7	101.1	98.4	102.7	102.6	103.5	
	October	103.7	103.8	103.2	100.4	100.7	99.1	102.7	102.7	102.6	
	November	103.8	103.9	103.2	100.1	100.1	100.1	102.5	102.5	102.7	
	December	103.6	103.6	103.6	99.8	99.7	100.3	102.3	102.2	102.5	
2007	January	103.2	103.0	104.3	99.6	99.4	100.7	102.4	102.3	103.0	
	February	103.5	103.2	104.9	100.2	100.2	100.6	102.3	102.1	103.2	
	March	104.0	103.7	105.1	100.5	100.5	100.2	102.5	102.2	104.0	
	April	104.6	104.5	104.9	100.6	100.8	99.9	102.6	102.5	103.5	
	May	105.4	105.3	105.7	100.7	100.8	100.7	102.8	102.7	103.4	
	June	105.5	105.2	106.7	100.1	99.9	101.0	102.4	102.2	103.1	
	July	105.0	104.3	108.9	99.6	99.1	102.1	102.4	102.1	103.4	
	August	105.6	104.7	110.1	100.6	100.5	101.1	103.0	102.8	104.1	
	September	106.3	106.1	107.6	100.7	101.3	97.7	103.0	102.9	103.3	

Table J2: Core Consumer Price Indices

^a Since January 2007, the CPI has been calculated and published by the CBS on the new base 2005 = 100. Source: CBS.

Table J2: Core Consumer Price Indices

The core consumer price index is calculated by the Central Bureau of Statistics (CBS) in the manner that agricultural products prices and administrative prices (which among others include the prices of electricity and refined petroleum products) are excluded from the basket of goods and services used in the calculation of the total index. These two groups of products accounted for a total of 30.06% in the basket in 2005 (agricultural products 6.93 percentage points, and administrative products 23.13 percentage points). A total of 111 goods and services are excluded from the coverage of the CPI basket and assigned a zero weight.

Table J3: Average Monthly Net Wages

in current prices, in kuna

Year	Month	Nominal amount in kuna	Chain indices	Monthly year-on-year indices	Cumulative year-on-year indices
1994	December	1,646.0	119.0	153.4	233.2
1995	December	1,883.0	99.4	114.4	145.7
1996	December	2,217.0	104.4	117.7	111.8
1997	December	2,544.0	100.8	114.8	116.9
1998	December	2,935.0	104.6	115.4	112.8
1999	December	3,262.0	100.9	111.2	114.0
2000	December	3,499.0	99.9	107.3	108.9
2001	December	3,582.0	96.6	102.4	106.5
2002	December	3,839.0	98.0	107.2	105.0
2003	December	4,045.0	99.8	105.4	105.9
2004	December	4,312.0	99.1	106.6	105.9
2005	December	4,473.0	97.3	103.7	104.9
2006	August	4,633.0	101.7	104.9	105.0
	September	4,542.0	98.0	104.4	104.9
	October	4,585.0	100.9	105.7	105.0
	November	4,883.0	106.5	106.3	105.1
	December	4,735.0	97.0	105.9	105.2
2007	January	4,739.0	100.1	106.3	106.3
	February	4,649.0	98.1	105.6	105.9
	March	4,788.0	103.0	104.0	105.3
	April	4,750.0	99.2	105.7	105.4
	May	4,875.0	102.6	104.0	105.1
	June	4,848.0	99.5	104.5	105.0
	July	4,855.0	100.1	106.6	105.2

Table J4: Consumer Confidence Index, Consumer Expectations Index and Consumer Sentiment Index

index points, original data

						Res	ponse indice	s (I)			
Year	Month	Consumer confidence index	Consumer expectations index	Consumer sentiment index	11	12	13	14	17	18	l11
1999	October	-33.7	-14.9	-46.3	-38.4	-12.1	-49.9	-17.6	35.5	-50.7	-69.7
2000	October	-20.9	3.5	-32.2	-26.2	1.2	-22.0	5.7	26.9	-48.3	-63.6
2001	October	-27.0	-11.4	-35.6	-29.6	-10.0	-35.9	-12.7	22.9	-41.3	-62.3
2002	October	-25.2	-8.3	-29.3	-22.6	-5.1	-31.2	-11.5	20.1	-34.1	-64.0
2003	October	-22.2	-4.5	-25.0	-21.5	-2.6	-26.5	-6.4	14.7	-27.1	-65.2
2004	October	-23.9	-7.9	-22.0	-19.1	-4.1	-30.5	-11.6	22.5	-16.5	-57.3
2005	December	-26.4	-13.7	-25.6	-16.4	-5.9	-34.4	-21.5	27.6	-25.9	-50.6
2006	September	-20.9	-6.4	-19.3	-16.6	-2.6	-25.7	-10.2	20.2	-15.5	-50.7
	October	-19.2	-6.2	-18.8	-11.6	-3.2	-22.7	-9.1	15.0	-22.1	-49.3
	November	-20.0	-7.6	-18.1	-12.5	-2.3	-21.6	-12.9	15.7	-20.2	-49.0
	December	-18.9	-4.7	-15.4	-10.9	1.1	-22.4	-10.5	16.9	-12.9	-49.4
2007	January	-14.6	-0.5	-15.1	-12.6	1.3	-20.2	-2.2	11.0	-12.5	-46.3
	February	-15.9	-3.4	-16.5	-13.8	-0.1	-18.6	-6.6	11.5	-17.0	-45.3
	March	-16.7	-5.0	-17.8	-13.0	-1.4	-21.7	-8.6	9.7	-18.7	-47.2
	April	-14.5	-1.6	-15.6	-11.7	1.8	-18.9	-4.9	5.6	-16.2	-49.4
	May	-16.8	-2.2	-18.1	-15.5	0.5	-21.0	-4.8	10.1	-17.7	-52.7
	June	-15.6	-3.5	-14.2	-12.2	-0.5	-18.0	-6.5	9.3	-12.5	-46.2
	July	-13.9	0.3	-12.7	-12.3	2.5	-13.8	-2.0	8.3	-11.9	-47.8
	August	-14.7	-1.6	-13.0	-9.9	0.2	-15.9	-3.4	9.6	-13.2	-45.8
	September	-17.9	-4.5	-18.6	-14.4	-1.2	-22.0	-7.8	14.4	-19.5	-48.2
	October	-15.3	-1.0	-15.8	-12.8	1.3	-17.2	-3.2	12.1	-17.3	-47.2

Table J4: Consumer Confidence Index, Consumer Expectations Index and Consumer Sentiment Index

The CNB Consumer Confidence Survey has been carried out regularly since April 1999 in accordance with the methodology of the European Commission, the Joint Harmonised EU Programme of Business and Consumer Surveys. Until April 2005, the CNB conducted the survey once a quarter (in January, April, July and October). As of May 2005, the CNB carries out the survey in monthly frequency in cooperation with the European Commission, using its technical and financial assistance. The Croatian National Bank bears sole responsibility for the creation and conduct of the survey.

The questionnaire contains 23 questions, examining consumer perception of the changes as regards every-day economic issues. The value of the response index is determined in line with the set methodology, based on the responses to the questions from the Consumer Confidence Survey. The movements of three composite indices, consumer confidence index (CCI), consumer sentiment index (CSI) and consumer expectations index (CEI), are calculated and monitored based on the value of the response indices. Each of the said composite indices is calculated as the arithmetic average of the response indices (I), i.e. as the average of previously quantified responses to individual questions from the survey:

$$I_i = \sum_{z}^{k} r_i \cdot w_i$$

where: r is the value of the response, w is the share of respondents opting for a particular response (weight), i question from the ques-

tionnaire, z is the offered/chosen response, k is the number of offered responses to a particular question.

The value of the said indices ranges $-100 < I_i < 100$. Higher index values than those recorded over the previous period point to an increase in expectations (optimism) as regards the specific segment covered by the particular question.

The table shows the values of chosen response indices for the following questions:

I1: How has the financial situation of your household changed over the last 12 months?

I2: How do you expect the financial position of your household to change over the next 12 months?

I3: How do you think the general economic situation in Croatia has changed over the past 12 months?

I4: How do you expect the general economic situation in Croatia to develop over the next 12 months?

I7: How do you expect the number of people unemployed in Croatia to change over the next 12 months?

18: In view of the general economic situation, do you think now is the right moment for people to make major purchases such as furniture, electrical/electronic devices, etc.?

I11: Over the next 12 months, how likely is it that you will save any money?

The components of composite indices are as follows:

- CCI: I2, I4, I7×(-1), I11
- CEI: I2, I4
- CSI: I1, I3, I8.

List of Banks and Savings Banks

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Licensed Banks

- Banco Popolare Croatia d.d., Zagreb
 Banka Brod d.d., Slavonski Brod
- 3. Banka Kovanica d.d., Varaždin
- 4. Banka Splitsko-Dalmatinska d.d., Split
- 5. Centar banka d.d., Zagreb
- 6. Credo banka d.d., Split
- 7. Croatia banka d.d., Zagreb
- 8. Erste & Steiermärkische Bank d.d., Rijeka
- 9. Hrvatska poštanska banka d.d., Zagreb
- 10. Hypo Alpe-Adria-Bank d.d., Zagreb
- 11. Imex banka d.d., Split
- 12. Istarska kreditna banka Umag d.d., Umag
- 13. Jadranska banka d.d., Šibenik
- 14. Karlovačka banka d.d., Karlovac
- 15. Kreditna banka Zagreb d.d., Zagreb
- 16. Kvarner banka d.d., Rijeka
- 17. Međimurska banka d.d., Čakovec
- 18. Nava banka d.d., Zagreb
- 19. OTP banka Hrvatska d.d., Zadar
- 20. Partner banka d.d., Zagreb
- 21. Podravska banka d.d., Koprivnica
- 22. Primorska banka d.d, Rijeka
- 23. Privredna banka Zagreb d.d., Zagreb
- 24. Raiffeisenbank Austria d.d., Zagreb
- 25. Samoborska banka d.d., Samobor
- 26. Slatinska banka d.d., Slatina
- 27. Slavonska banka d.d., Osijek
- 28. Société Générale Splitska banka d.d., Split
- 29. Štedbanka d.d., Zagreb
- 30. Vaba d.d. banka Varaždin, Varaždin
- 31. Veneto banka d.d., Zagreb
- 32. Volksbank d.d., Zagreb
- 33. Zagrebačka banka d.d., Zagreb

Licensed Housing Savings Banks

- 1. HPB Stambena štedionica d.d., Zagreb
- 2. PBZ Stambena štedionica d.d., Zagreb
- 3. Prva stambena štedionica d.d., Zagreb
- 4. Raiffeisen stambena štedionica d.d., Zagreb
- 5. Wüstenrot stambena štedionica d.d., Zagreb

Other Licensed Institutions with Full Authorisation

1. Hrvatska banka za obnovu i razvitak, Zagreb

Representative Offices of Foreign Banks

1. Bank für Kärnten und Steiermark AG, Zagreb

- 2. Commerzbank Aktiengesellschaft, Zagreb
- 3. Deutsche Bank AG, Zagreb
- 4. Komercijalna banka a.d., Zagreb
- 5. LHB Internationale Handelsbank AG, Zagreb
- 6. San Paolo IMI S.p.A., Zagreb
- 7. Union de Banques Arabes et Françaises UBAF, Zagreb

Banks and Savings Banks Undergoing Bankruptcy Proceedings

D	ate of bankruptcy
Name of bank/savings bank proc	eedings initiation
1. Agroobrtnička banka d.d., Zagreb	14/6/2000
2. Alpe Jadran banka d.d., Split	15/5/2002
3. Cibalae banka d.d., Vinkovci	20/10/2000
4. Glumina banka d.d., Zagreb	30/4/1999
5. Gospodarska štedionica d.d., Vrbovec	3/4/2003
6. Gradska banka d.d., Osijek	3/5/1999
7. Hrvatska gospodarska banka d.d., Zagreb	19/4/2000
8. Ilirija banka d.d., Zagreb	6/4/1999
9. Invest štedionica d.o.o., Zagreb	30/6/1999
10. Komercijalna banka d.d., Zagreb	30/4/1999
11. Međimurska štedionica d.d., Čakovec	17/3/2004
12. Neretvansko gospodarska banka d.d., Ploče	e 10/5/1999
13. Štedionica Groš banak d.o.o., Zagreb	23/4/2001
14. Štedionica Mediteran d.o.o., Split	5/12/2001
15. Trgovačko-turistička banka d.d., Split	8/9/2000
16. Županjska banka d.d., Županja	3/5/1999

Banks and Savings Banks Undergoing Winding-up Proceedings

Name of bank/savings bank	Date of winding-up proceedings initiation
1. Investicijsko-komercijalna štedionica d.c	ł.,
Zagreb	31/5/2000
Križevačka banka d.d., Križevci	3/1/2005
3. Primus banka d.d., Zagreb	23/12/2004
4. Štedionica Dora d.d., Zagreb	1/1/2002
5. Štedionica Zlatni vrutak d.d., Zagreb	28/12/2001

Banks and Savings Banks whose License Was Revoked, but Have Not Initiated Winding-up Proceedings

Name of bank/savings bank	operating license
1. Hibis štedionica d.d., Zagreb	7/3/2001
2. Marvil štedionica d.d., Zagreb	8/6/2001
3. Zagrebačka štedionica d.d., Zagreb	22/3/2000

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List of Abbreviations and Symbols

bn	- billion	IMF	- International Monetary Fund
b.p.	– basis points	IPO	– initial public offering
BOP	– balance of payments	m	– million
c.i.f.	– cost, insurance and freight	MIGs	– main industrial groupings
CBRD	– Croatian Bank for Reconstruction and	MM	– monthly maturity
ebite.	Development	MoF	– Ministry of Finance
CBS	– Central Bureau of Statistics	NCS	– National Clearing System
CCI	 – consumer confidence index 	n.e.c.	– not elsewhere classified
CDA	 Central Depository Agency 	OG	– Official Gazette
CEE	– Central East European	R	– Republic
CEFTA	– Central European Free Trade Agreement	o/w	– of which
CEI	 – consumer expectations index 	PPI	– producer price index
CES	 Croatian Employment Service 	RTGS	– Real-Time Gross Settlement
CLS	 Croatian Employment Service Croatian Motorways 	Q	– quarterly
CIHI	 Croatian Institute for Health Insurance 	RR	– quarterry – reserve requirement
CLVPS	 Croatian Large Value Payment System 	SAL	– Structural Adjustment Loan
CNB	 Croatian Large value rayment System Croatian National Bank 	SDR	- special drawing rights
	- consumption	SITC	– Standard International Trade Classification
consump. CPF	– Croatian Privatisation Fund	ZMM	– Zagreb Money Market
CPI	 – croatian Privatsation Pund – consumer price index 	ZIVIIVI ZSE	– Zagreb Stock Exchange
CPIA	 Consumer price index Croatian Pension Insurance Administration 	VAT	- value added tax
CR	- Croatian Pension Insurance Administration	WTO	
CSI		WIO	- World Trade Organization
CSI	 – consumer sentiment index 		
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