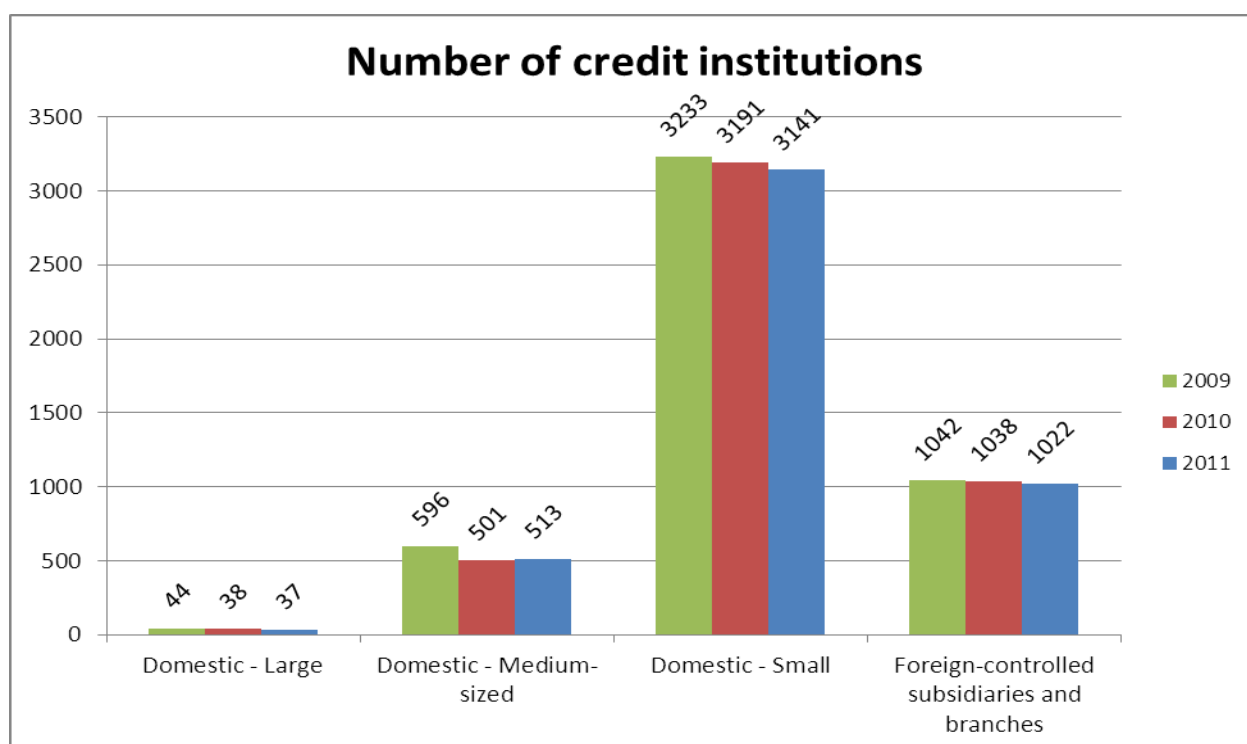


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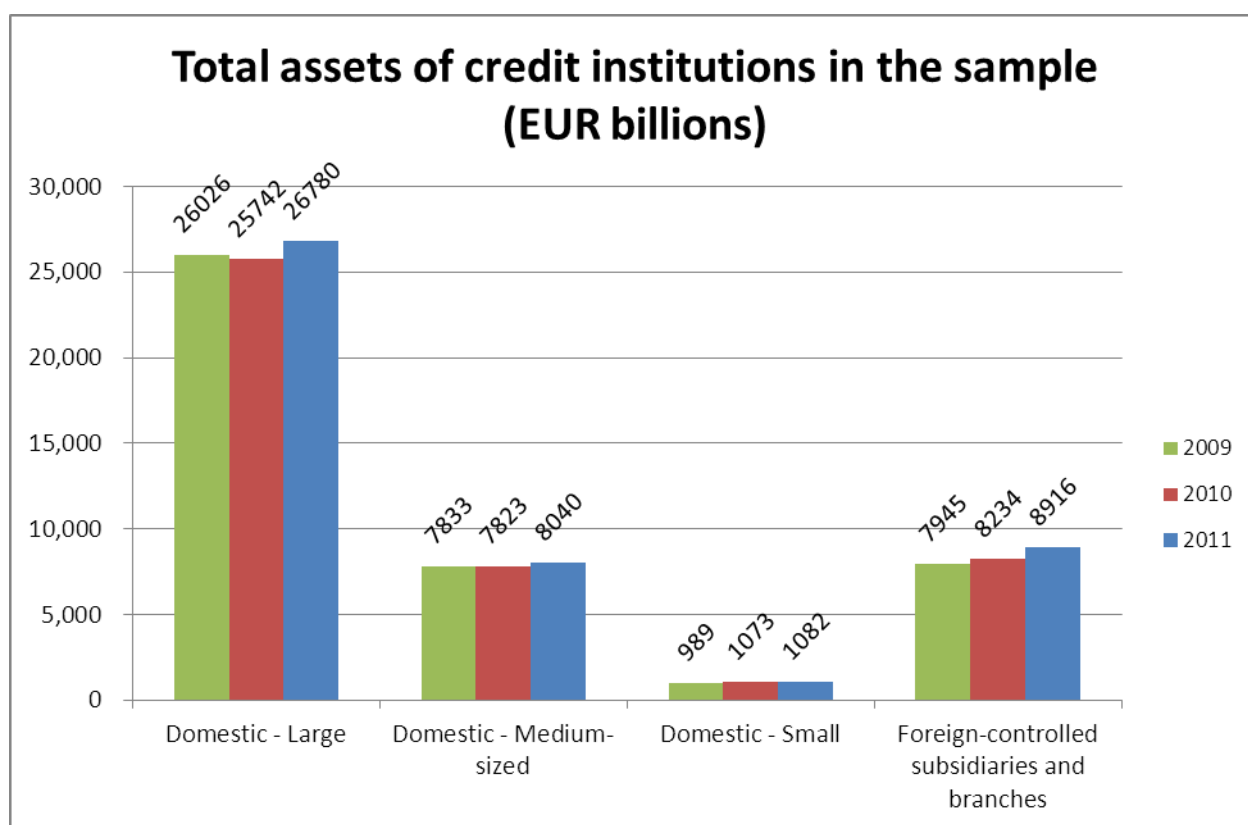
PRESS RELEASE

ECB PUBLISHES CONSOLIDATED BANKING DATA FOR 2011

Today the European Central Bank (ECB) is publishing the December-2011 Consolidated Banking Data (CBD), a data set that provides various indicators about the European Union (EU) banking system on a consolidated basis. It includes indicators on all 27 EU Member States and the EU as a whole. The CBD are separately reported for three sizes of domestic banks or banking groups (small, medium-sized and large banks). In 2011, data refer to 4,713 credit institutions and 417 banking groups and cover 1022 foreign-controlled branches and subsidiaries operating in the EU.



The data set includes profitability and efficiency indicators, balance sheet indicators relating to banks' funding sources, non-performing loan developments as well as solvency ratios. CBD series are available on a cross-border and cross-sector basis, where "cross-border" refers to branches and subsidiaries located outside the domestic market and "cross-sector" includes branches and subsidiaries of banks that are classified as "other financial institutions". Insurance companies are not included in the consolidation.



The CBD, used among others in the ECB Financial Stability Review, are published by the ECB on a semi-annual basis and are disseminated in the ECB Statistical Data Warehouse. The data and accompanying methodological notes explaining the CBD compilation are available on the ECB's website: <http://www.ecb.int/stats/money/consolidated/html/index.en.html>.

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