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Consolidated financial statement of the Eurosystem as at 1 December 2017: commentary

In the week ending 1 December 2017 **gold and gold receivables** (asset item 1) remained unchanged.

The net position of the Eurosystem in foreign currency (asset items 2 and 3 minus liability items 7, 8 and 9) increased by EUR 0.7 billion to EUR 256.5 billion.

As a result of the Eurosystem's open market operations and standing facilities, net lending to credit institutions (asset item 5 minus liability items 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.5 and 4) rose by EUR 9.4 billion to EUR 74.1 billion.

Base money (liability items 1, 2.1 and 2.2) increased by EUR 68.7 billion to EUR 3,181.5 billion.

The table below provides the detailed breakdown of **securities held for monetary policy purposes** (asset item 7.1) into the different portfolios. All portfolios are accounted for at amortised cost.

Monetary policy securities portfolios	Reported value as at 1 December 2017	Weekly change – purchases	Weekly change – redemptions
Covered bond purchase programme 1	EUR 6.1 billion	-	-
Covered bond purchase programme 2	EUR 4.8 billion	-	-
Covered bond purchase programme 3	EUR 240.2 billion	+EUR 1.1 billion	-EUR 0.0 billion
Asset-backed securities purchase programme	EUR 25.4 billion	+EUR 0.7 billion	-EUR 0.1 billion
Corporate sector purchase programme	EUR 129.1 billion	+EUR 1.4 billion	-EUR 0.0 billion
Public sector purchase programme	EUR 1,852.9 billion	+EUR 12.3 billion	-EUR 1.3 billion
Securities Markets Programme	EUR 88.9 billion	-	-

The content and format of the weekly financial statement are set out in Annexes IV to VI of Guideline (EU) 2016/2249 of the European Central Bank of 3 November 2016 on the legal framework for accounting and financial reporting in the European System of Central Banks ([ECB/2016/34](#)).

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(EUR millions)

Assets	Balance as at 1 December 2017	Difference compared with last week due to transactions	Liabilities	Balance as at 1 December 2017	Difference compared with last week due to transactions
1 Gold and gold receivables	379.045	0	1 Banknotes in circulation	1.146.688	6.691
2 Claims on non-euro area residents denominated in foreign currency	299.859	1.536	2 Liabilities to euro area credit institutions related to monetary policy operations denominated in euro	2.034.814	61.964
2.1 Receivables from the IMF	72.341	96	2.1 Current accounts (covering the minimum reserve system)	1.339.954	69.547
2.2 Balances with banks and security investments, external loans and other external assets	227.518	1.440	2.2 Deposit facility	694.850	-7.584
3 Claims on euro area residents denominated in foreign currency	32.853	-159	2.3 Fixed-term deposits	0	0
4 Claims on non-euro area residents denominated in euro	16.009	214	2.4 Fine-tuning reverse operations	0	0
4.1 Balances with banks, security investments and loans	16.009	214	2.5 Deposits related to margin calls	10	0
4.2 Claims arising from the credit facility under ERM II	0	0	3 Other liabilities to euro area credit institutions denominated in euro	6.503	-24
5 Lending to euro area credit institutions related to monetary policy operations denominated in euro	768.934	1.825	4 Debt certificates issued	0	0
5.1 Main refinancing operations	4.994	2.018	5 Liabilities to other euro area residents denominated in euro	292.862	-67.296
5.2 Longer-term refinancing operations	763.698	-16	5.1 General government	170.323	-61.707
5.3 Fine-tuning reverse operations	0	0	5.2 Other liabilities	122.538	-5.589
5.4 Structural reverse operations	0	0	6 Liabilities to non-euro area residents denominated in euro	185.470	15.303
5.5 Marginal lending facility	243	-177	7 Liabilities to euro area residents denominated in foreign currency	9.184	495
5.6 Credits related to margin calls	0	0	8 Liabilities to non-euro area residents denominated in foreign currency	11.427	216
6 Other claims on euro area credit institutions denominated in euro	50.674	-4.881	8.1 Deposits, balances and other liabilities	11.427	216
7 Securities of euro area residents denominated in euro	2.627.250	13.284	8.2 Liabilities arising from the credit facility under ERM II	0	0
7.1 Securities held for monetary policy purposes	2.347.324	13.974	9 Counterpart of special drawing rights allocated by the IMF	55.649	0
7.2 Other securities	279.926	-690	10 Other liabilities	230.949	-4.033
8 General government debt denominated in euro	25.058	0	11 Revaluation accounts	364.946	0
9 Other assets	241.108	1.496	12 Capital and reserves	102.298	0
Total assets	4.440.791	13.317	Total liabilities	4.440.791	13.317

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