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Financial investments of Insurance Corporations – France • 1st quarter 2022

Decrease in valuations by 111 billion euros in the first quarter 2022

At end-March 2022, financial assets of insurance corporations amount to €2,700 billion, down -€106 billion over the quarter. This decline comes almost exclusively from a valuation of investments in decline (- 111 billion), whereas net investment flows are positive but very small (+ 5 billion).

The decrease in valuations mainly concerns long-term debt securities (- 75 billion), non-money market funds (- 32 billion) and listed shares (- 6 billion). The decrease in valuation, notably of long-term debt securities, is linked to the upturn in long-term rates (+ 79 basis points increase in the 10-year OAT in the first quarter). Those of equity funds (- 16 billion) and listed shares are linked to the fall in stock markets (fall by - 7 % in the CAC 40 index in the first quarter).

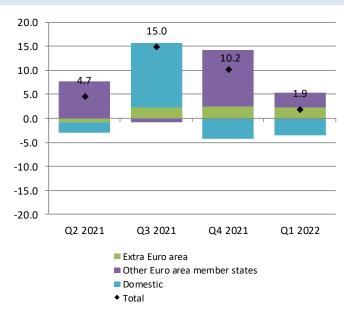
Net investment flows mainly concern non-money market funds (+ 8 billion), predominantly from the euro zone outside France (+ 6 billion). Net sales are mainly in money market funds (- 5 billion), for the most part French.

Security portfolio transactions¹ of insurance corporations (in billions of euros)

By category of issuers²

30.0 20.0 10.2 10.0 1.9 0.0 -10.0 -20.0 -30.0 Q2 2021 Q4 2021 Q1 2022 O3 2021 ■ Investment funds ■ Non financial corporations ■ Financial corporations ■ General government Unallocated ◆ Total

By geographical area



- 1. Debt securities, equities and investment fund shares
- 2. "Unallocated" is composed of bonds and equities issued outside the euro area.



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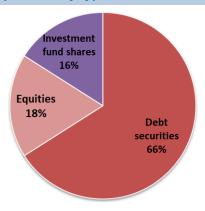


Financial assets of insurance corporations – 1st quarter 2022

(EUR billion, outstanding amounts at market prices at end of period, transactions, valuation effects during period)

| ! | | Life and composite IC | | | Non-Life IC | | | Total IC | | |
|-----------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|--------|-------------|------------------|--------|-----------|------------------|--------|
| | | Net flows | Valuation effect | Stocks | Net flows | Valuation effect | Stocks | Net flows | Valuation effect | Stocks |
| Currency and deposits | | 0.6 | 0.0 | 33 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 15 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 48 |
| Debt securities | ≤ 1 year (original maturity) | 0.7 | 0.0 | 22 | -0.1 | 0.0 | 5 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 27 |
| | > 1 year (original maturity) | -5.3 | -69.4 | 1 319 | 2.9 | -5.1 | 114 | -2.4 | -74.6 | 1 432 |
| Loans | | 0.7 | 0.0 | 51 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 10 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 61 |
| Equity | Listed shares | -1.0 | -5.5 | 79 | -0.7 | -0.4 | 15 | -1.7 | -5.9 | 95 |
| | Unlisted shares | 1.8 | 0.2 | 73 | 0.1 | 0.4 | 39 | 1.9 | 0.6 | 112 |
| | Other shares | 0.4 | 0.6 | 26 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 28 | 0.4 | 0.7 | 54 |
| Investment | Money market funds | -6.1 | -0.2 | 80 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 8 | -5.3 | -0.2 | 89 |
| | Non money market funds | 8.8 | -30.5 | 737 | -0.4 | -1.3 | 41 | 8.4 | -31.8 | 779 |
| Financial derivatives | | -0.5 | · | 5 | 0.0 | · | 0 | -0.5 | · | 5 |
| Total | | 0.0 | -104.8 | 2 425 | 4.5 | -6.3 | 276 | 4.6 | -111.1 | 2 700 |

Breakdown of outstanding amounts of security portfolio by type of securities

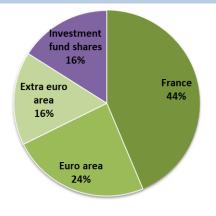


After the implementation of a look-through approach³, debt securities account for 66% of insurers' portfolio, equities represent 18% and the remaining 16% is made up of mutual fund shares.

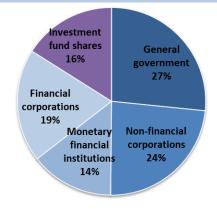
All instruments combined, 44% of the portfolio is invested in assets issued by residents, 40% in assets issued by non-residents and 16% in unallocated mutual fund shares.

Investments primarily finance the financial sector (33%, i.e. 14% for monetary financial institutions and 19% for financial corporations), general government (27%) and non-financial corporations (24%).

Breakdown of outstanding amounts of security portfolio by geographical area



Breakdown of outstanding amounts of security portfolio by category of issuers



^{3.} The look-through approach consists, when the information is available, in replacing the resident mutual funds shares in the insurance portfolios by the final investments of mutual funds. The 16% residual amount correspond to these mutual funds shares (mainly non-resident) which cannot be allocated with this approach. After a look-through approach, the share of equities increases by +8 basis points (10% to 18%) and the one of debt securities by +12 basis points (54% to 66%).

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