

FINANCING OF THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT IN APRIL 2018

1. Government debt data

The debt of the central government increased by HUF 898.3 billion in January-April period due to the following reasons:

- **The first factor** is the net forint issuance of HUF 1,019.7 billion executed in the domestic and the retail market, which finances the annual deficit of the central government budget and partly the foreign currency debt maturing this year.
- **The second factor** is the depreciation of the forint, that increased the HUF value of the foreign currency debt by HUF 46.0 billion.
- **The third factor – which had contrary effect than the above mentioned factors** – is the net foreign currency redemption of HUF 16.0 billion.
- **The fourth – also decreasing – factor** is the change of the foreign currency exchange rates that decreased the mark-to-market deposits placed at GDMA by HUF 151.4 billion.

According to the preliminary data **the domestic and foreign currency debt of central government** was the following in 2018.

Central government gross debt and debt transactions in 2018

	31.12.2017		Issuance (increase in debt)	Redemptions (decrease in debt)	Other changes	Net change	30.04.2018		change
	Debt stock (preliminary data)	Breakdown	IV. month				Debt stock (preliminary data)	Breakdown	percent
1. HUF denominated debt	20,689.414	77.4%	4,379.885	3,360.189	0.000	1,019.696	21,709.110	78.5%	1.2%
1.1. Loans	1,041.076	3.9%	39.676	0.000	0.000	39.676	1,080.751	3.9%	0.0%
1.1.1. Foreign	1,041.076	3.9%	39.676	0.000	0.000	39.676	1,080.751	3.9%	0.0%
1.1.2. Domestic	0.000	0.0%	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0%	0.0%
1.2. Government securities	19,648.338	73.5%	4,340.210	3,360.189	0.000	980.020	20,628.359	74.6%	1.2%
1.2.1. Public issues	19,609.161	73.3%	4,340.210	3,360.189	0.000	980.020	20,589.181	74.5%	1.2%
1.2.1.1. Bonds	11,767.139	44.0%	1,083.581	663.519	0.000	420.062	12,187.200	44.1%	0.1%
1.2.1.2. Discount T-bills	1,039.165	3.9%	1,173.904	959.039	0.000	214.865	1,254.030	4.5%	0.7%
1.2.1.3. Retail securities	6,802.857	25.4%	2,082.725	1,737.632	0.000	345.093	7,147.951	25.9%	0.4%
1.2.2. Private placements (bonds)	39.178	0.1%	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	39.178	0.1%	0.0%
2. Foreign currency denominated debt	5,782.546	21.6%	184.991	200.948	45.973	30.017	5,812.563	21.0%	-0.6%
2.1. Loans	929.066	3.5%	108.549	109.675	7.124	5.998	935.064	3.4%	-0.1%
2.1.1. Foreign	929.066	3.5%	108.549	109.675	7.124	5.998	935.064	3.4%	-0.1%
2.1.2. Domestic	0.000	0.0%	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0%	0.0%
2.2. Government securities	4,853.480	18.1%	76.442	91.272	38.849	24.020	4,877.500	17.6%	-0.5%
2.2.1. Issued abroad	4,145.912	15.5%	71.286	81.978	33.238	22.546	4,168.458	15.1%	-0.4%
2.2.2. Issued in Hungary	707.568	2.6%	5.156	9.294	5.611	1.474	709.041	2.6%	-0.1%
Total	26,471.960	99.0%	4,564.877	3,561.137	45.973	1,049.713	27,521.673	99.6%	0.6%
Other debt	274.246	1.0%	241.121	392.707	0.216	-151.369	122.877	0.4%	-0.6%
Total central government debt	26,746.206	100.0%	4,805.998	3,953.844	46.190	898.344	27,644.550	100.0%	0.0%

The foreign currency debt of the central government increased by HUF 30.0 billion in 2018 and amounted to HUF 5,812.6 billion at the end of April 2018. The share of foreign currency denominated debt within the total debt decreased from 21.6% to 21.0% in 2018.

The forint denominated debt increased by HUF 1,019.7 billion and amounted to HUF 21,709.1 billion. The share of HUF-denominated debt reached 78.5% of the total debt, while in December 2017 this proportion was 77.4%.

The stock of retail securities increased by HUF 345.1 billion from the end of 2017 and amounted to HUF 7,148.0 billion at the end of April. The combined outstanding amount of the Premium Hungarian Government Securities and the Bonus Hungarian Government Securities increased by HUF 272.1 billion by the end of April and reached HUF 2,729.6 billion. The 2-year Hungarian Government Security's stock increased by HUF 83.5 billion and reached HUF 460.3 billion. The stock of the 1-year and Half-year Government Securities decreased by HUF 20.4 billion due to the repurchase of retail securities from banks and reached HUF 3,441.2 billion at the end of April.

The volume of non-resident holdings of Hungarian government securities increased by HUF 54.3 billion in April. 95.5% of non-resident holdings was T-bonds, which amounted to HUF 3,475.8 billion. The non-resident holdings of Discount T-Bills amounted to HUF 165.6 billion, that represented only 4.5% of total non-resident holdings. The duration of the non-resident stock was 5.2 years at the end of April 2018.

In order to reduce counterparty risk associated with the swap transactions concluded by ÁKK, so-called marked-to-market deposits are being placed as collateral covering the net value of the swap positions. Such deposits placed at ÁKK are counted as part of the government debt as 'other obligations'. During the first four months marked-to-market deposits decreased by HUF 151.4 billion due to the appreciation of EUR vs USD and reached HUF 122.9 billion (EUR 0.4 billion) at the end of the month.

2. Forint yields

The average bid-to-cover ratio of Discount T-bill auctions increased from 1.6 to 2.3 in April. The bid-to-cover ratio of T-bond auctions decreased from 2.7 to 2.4.

The average yield of the last 3-month Discount Treasury Bill auction in April was 0.05%, 1 basis points higher than in the previous month. The average yield of the last 12-month Discount Treasury Bill auction in April was 0.06%, 1 basis points higher compared to March.

The average yield of the last 3-year government bond auction in April was 0.74% 5 basis points lower compared to the previous month. The average yield of the last 5-year government bond auction was 1.29% 7 basis points higher compared to March. Finally, the average yield of the last auction of 10-year government bond was 2.54%, lower by 9 basis points compared to the last March's average yield.