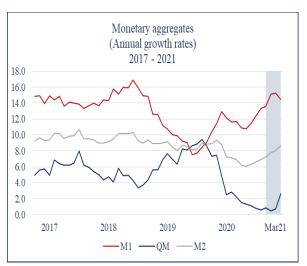
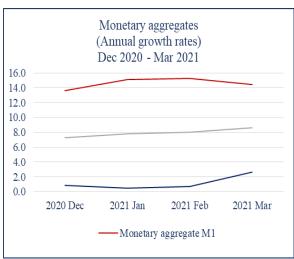
Comment on Monetary Trends in March 2021

The total money supply (M2) at the end of March 2021 amounted to KM 28.83 billion, with a monthly increase of KM 174.3 million (0.6%). The growth of money supply (M2) in March 2021 is the result of the growth of money (M1) by KM 72.4 million (0.5%) and quasi money (QM) by KM 101.9 million (0.8%). Cash (M1) increased primarily due to the growth of transferable deposits in local currency by KM 83.8 million (0.8%) and a slight decline in cash outside banks by KM 11.4 million (0.2%). Quasi money (QM) recorded an increase due to an increase in transferable deposits in foreign currency by KM 33.5 million (1.1%), other deposits in local currency by KM 5.7 million (0.2%) and other deposits in foreign currency for 62.6 million KM (0.9%).

At the annual level, the increase in the money supply (M2) amounts to 2.29 billion KM (8.6%). Growth was realized in: cash outside banks by KM 369.8 million (7.9%), transferable deposits in local currency by KM 1.58 billion (17.9%), transferable deposits in foreign currency by KM 468.9 million (18.3%) and other deposits in local currency by KM 11.8 million (0.4%) and a decrease in other deposits in foreign currency by KM 139.5 million (1.9%).





The counter-item of the monthly increase of money supply (M2) in March 2021 in the amount of KM 174.3 million (0.6%) is the growth of net foreign assets (NSA) by KM 141.8 million (0.9%) and net domestic assets (NDA) by KM 32.5 million (0.3%). The increase in the money supply (M2) at the annual level of 2.29 (8.6%) KM is the result of an increase in net foreign assets (NSA) by 2.32 billion KM (16.5%) and a decrease in net domestic assets (NDA) by KM 26.8 million (0.2%).

Monetary survey

| | Balance in mil. KM Monthly changes in mil. KM | | | Annual growth rate in % | | | |
|---|---|--------|---------|-------------------------|--------|---------|----------|
| | III 2021 | I 2021 | II 2021 | III 2021 | I 2021 | II 2021 | III 2021 |
| Assets | | | | | | | |
| 1 Net foreign assets | 16.337,3 | 90,3 | 91,3 | 141,8 | 13,9 | 13,8 | 16,5 |
| 1.1 Foreign assets | 18.432,5 | -25,1 | 52,3 | 65,1 | 7,0 | 7,0 | 9,1 |
| 1.2 Foreign liabilities | -2.095,2 | 115,4 | 39,0 | 76,7 | -25,8 | -26,2 | -27,2 |
| 2 Net domestic assets | 12.488,6 | 74,7 | 146,3 | 32,5 | 0,7 | 1,4 | -0,2 |
| Claims on central government (net) cantons and municipalities | 497,2 | 241,2 | -7,4 | -38,4 | -905,9 | 2757,0 | 723,2 |
| 2.2 Claims on local sectors | 19.357,8 | -118,1 | 95,2 | 128,9 | -0,9 | -0,8 | -0,5 |
| 2.3 Other items | -7.366,4 | -48,4 | 58,5 | -58,0 | 5,0 | 2,6 | 5,3 |
| Liabilities | | | | | | | |
| 1 Money supply (M2) | 28.825,9 | 165,0 | 237,6 | 174,3 | 7,8 | 8,0 | 8,6 |
| 1.1 Money (M1) | 15.421,2 | 135,0 | 158,5 | 72,4 | 15,1 | 15,3 | 14,5 |
| 1.2 Quasi money (QM) | 13.404,7 | 30,0 | 79,1 | 101,9 | 0,5 | 0,7 | 2,6 |

Total loans

At the end of March 2021, total loans to domestic sectors amounted to KM 20.47 billion. Compared to the previous month, they increased by KM 165.5 million (0.8%). Credit growth was registered in the following sectors: households by KM 72.9 million (0.7%), private companies by KM 66.5 million (0.8%), governments by KM 36.5 million (3.2%) and other domestic sectors by KM 3.5 million (4.5%). A decrease in credit growth was registered in the public enterprise sector by KM 13.8 million (2.6%).

The annual growth rate of total loans in March 2021 was reduced to 0.1% or nominally by KM 17.9 million. The growth of loans was registered in the sectors of households by KM 69 million (0.7%), Government institutions by KM 68.6 million (6.2%) and public companies by KM 38.7 million (8.2%). Decreased credit growth was registered in the sectors of private enterprises by KM 184.8 million (2.1%) and in other domestic sectors by KM 9.4 million (5.8%).

Sectoral structure of loans in BH

| | Balance in mil. KM | Month | ly changes in | mil. KM | Annual change rates in % | | |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------|--------|---------------|----------|--------------------------|---------|----------|
| | III 2021 | I 2021 | II 2021 | III 2021 | I 2021 | II 2021 | III 2021 |
| Total | 20.472,6 | -120,7 | 80,4 | 165,5 | -0,5 | -0,6 | -0,1 |
| Out of it: | | | | | | | |
| Households | 9.971,0 | -18,9 | 22,3 | 72,9 | 0,4 | 0,2 | 0,7 |
| Private companies | 8.657,0 | -77,6 | 79,7 | 66,5 | -2,9 | -2,4 | -2,1 |
| Government institutions | 1.178,1 | -4,4 | -15,2 | 36,5 | 6,3 | 2,5 | 6,2 |
| Public companies | 513,9 | -8,6 | 0,5 | -13,8 | 8,7 | 10,0 | 8,2 |
| Loans to other domestic sectors | 152,6 | -11,2 | -7,0 | 3,5 | -0,1 | -6,1 | -5,8 |

Foreign exchange reserves

Foreign exchange reserves of the Central Bank of BiH at the end of March 2021 amounted to KM 13.64 billion, decreased by KM 33.9 million (0.6%) compared to the previous month. At the annual level, the foreign exchange reserves of the Central Bank of BiH increased by KM 1.18 billion (9.5%).