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## Money and the financing of the economy – France • March 2024

### Private sector financing up at 1.6% year-on-year, driven by loans to NFCs

- **Overnight deposits continue to normalize gradually in March** (-10.2% year-on-year, after -11.6% in February and -12.9% in January; see table 2). At the same time, **growth in the M2 - M1 aggregate, which contains interest-bearing deposits, remains high** (+9.5%, after +12.2% in February), still underpinned by growth in term deposits with agreed maturity of up to 2 years (+31, 8%, after +47.5% in February) and, to a lesser extent, passbook accounts (+2.7%, after +2.8% in February), **as do M3-M2, driven by money-market mutual fund shares/units** (+16.9%, after +20.2% in February).
- **Growth in domestic resources of monetary financial institutions (MFIs) included in M3 increases slightly in March** (+0.9% year-on-year, after +0.1% in February; see table 2). After taking into account gross monetary assets and liabilities vis-à-vis other monetary union members, **the annual growth rate of the French component of the euro area monetary aggregate M3 also rises** to +1.9% (after +0.5% in February).
- **Growth in bank financing to the private sector remains unchanged from February and January** (+1.6% year-on-year, as in February, and +1.5% in January; see Table 3), **driven by loans to non-financial corporations** (+1.5%, after +1.2% in February), while growth in **loans to households moderates but remains slightly positive** (+0.4%, after +0.8% in February).

Table 1 - France: M3 and the financing of the economy

March 2024 (12-month cumulative flows, bn€)			
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>197.8</b>	<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>197.8</b>
<b>Domestic General Government financing</b>	<b>-2.6</b>	<b>Resources included in M3</b>	<b>26.4</b>
of which loans	-3.4	M1	-144.2
of which securities	0.7	M2 - M1	110.3
<b>Domestic private sector financing</b>	<b>57.4</b>	M3 - M2	60.3
of which loans to households	7.1	<b>Long-term resources (a)</b>	<b>171.4</b>
of which loans to NFC	19.6		
<b>Net external assets</b>	<b>47.7</b>		
<b>Remaining counterparts (b)</b>	<b>95.3</b>		

(a) Deposits over 2 years, debt securities issued, capital and reserves, central government deposits.

(b) Net of inter-MFI assets and liabilities, net of other balance sheet items (financial derivatives, accounting lags, fixed assets), currency in circulation, gold, SDR.

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Table 2 - France : monetary resources of monetary financial institutions

Decomposition of French component of euro-area M3	Outstandings (bn€)		Annual growth rate (in %)		Flows (bn€) (a)	
	Mar-24(p)	Feb-24(r)	Mar-24(p)	Feb-24(r)	Mar-24(p)	Feb-24(r)
Overnight deposits	1,262	-11.6	-10.2	-2.6	-6.6	
<b>= Domestic resources included in M1</b>	<b>1,262</b>	<b>-11.6</b>	<b>-10.2</b>	<b>-2.6</b>	<b>-6.6</b>	
Term deposits with agreed maturity of up to 2 years	354	47.5	31.8	1.3	3.7	
+ Saving accounts	920	2.8	2.7	-0.6	0.1	
<b>= Domestic resources included in M2-M1</b>	<b>1,274</b>	<b>12.2</b>	<b>9.5</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>3.7</b>	
MMF shares	313	20.2	16.9	-2.5	6.1	
+ Repurchase agreements	46	-53.6	17.2	-4.3	2.5	
+ Debt securities issued with a maturity of up to 2 years	54	4.4	13.2	-0.4	3.9	
<b>= Domestic resources included in M3-M2</b>	<b>412</b>	<b>9.1</b>	<b>17.5</b>	<b>-7.2</b>	<b>12.4</b>	
<b>Sum of domestic resources included in M3</b>	<b>2,948</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>-9.2</b>	<b>9.5</b>	
+ Monetary external liabilities vis-à-vis other monetary union members	410	10.7	15.8	8.3	12.8	
- Monetary external assets vis-à-vis other monetary union members	98	34.9	26.5	0.4	-0.1	
<b>= French component of euro area monetary aggregate M3</b>	<b>3,260</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>1.9</b>	<b>-1.3</b>	<b>22.4</b>	

(a) Seasonally-adjusted data.

(p) Provisional

(r) Revised

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Table 3 – Counterparts of domestic resources included in M3

	Outstandings (bn€)		Annual growth rate (in %)		Flow (bn€) (a)	
	Mar-24(p)	Feb-24(r)	Mar-24(p)	Feb-24(r)	Mar-24(p)	Feb-24(r)
<b>ASSETS</b>	<b>5,716</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>3.6</b>	<b>-6.1</b>	<b>23.7</b>	
<b>Domestic General government financing (1)</b>	<b>1,163</b>	<b>-0.1</b>	<b>-0.2</b>	<b>-0.6</b>	<b>-3.2</b>	
of which loans	206	-1.0	-1.6	-0.2	-0.4	
of which securities	956	0.0	0.1	-0.5	-2.9	
<b>Domestic private sector financing (2)</b>	<b>3,699</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>8.9</b>	<b>1.7</b>	
of which credits to households	1,724	0.8	0.4	-0.7	-1.1	
of which credits to NFCs	1,349	1.2	1.5	1.9	0.8	
<b>Net external assets (3)</b>	<b>382</b>	<b>19.5</b>	<b>13.1</b>	<b>-16.8</b>	<b>10.5</b>	
<b>Remaining counterparts (b) (4)</b>	<b>472</b>	<b>13.3</b>	<b>29.7</b>	<b>2.5</b>	<b>14.7</b>	
<b>RESSOURCES</b>	<b>5,716</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>3.6</b>	<b>-6.1</b>	<b>23.7</b>	
<b>Long-term resources (c) (5)</b>	<b>2,767</b>	<b>6.0</b>	<b>6.7</b>	<b>-3.1</b>	<b>14.2</b>	
<b>Domestic resources included in M3 (1)+(2)+(3)+(4)-(5)</b>	<b>2,948</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>-9.2</b>	<b>9.5</b>	

(a) Seasonally-adjusted data.

(b) Net of inter-MFI assets and liabilities, net of other balance sheet items (financial derivatives, accounting lags, fixed assets), currency in circulation, gold, SDR.

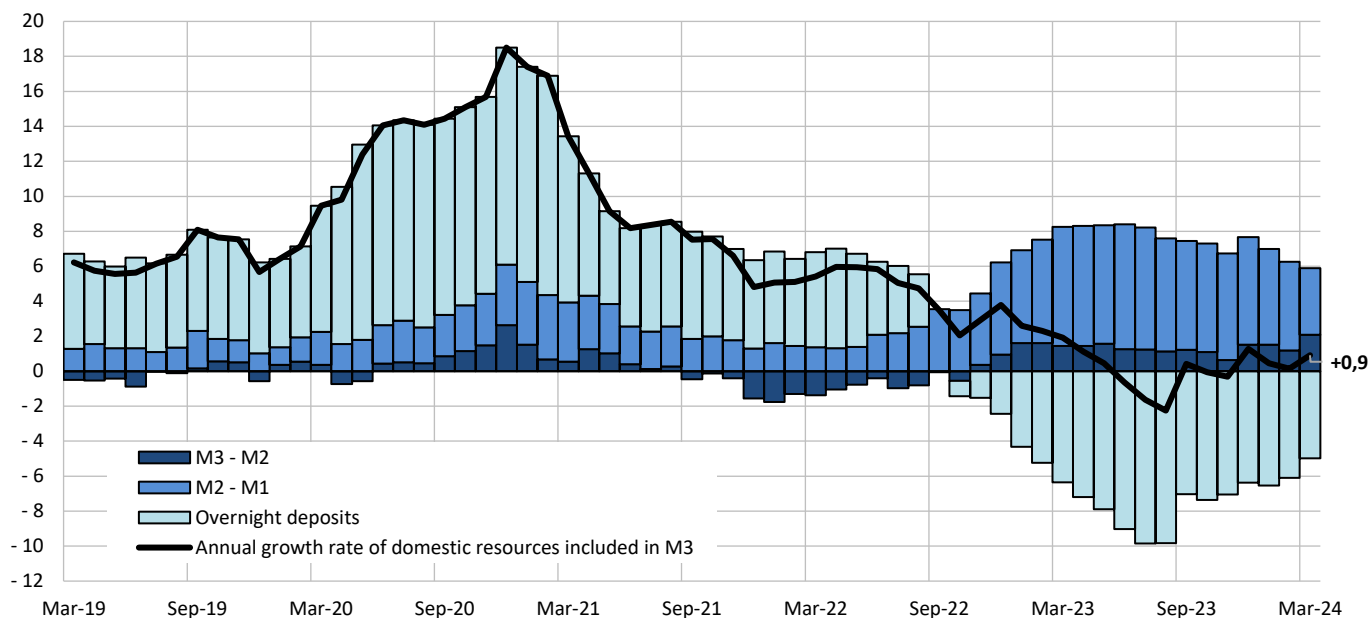
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(p) Provisional

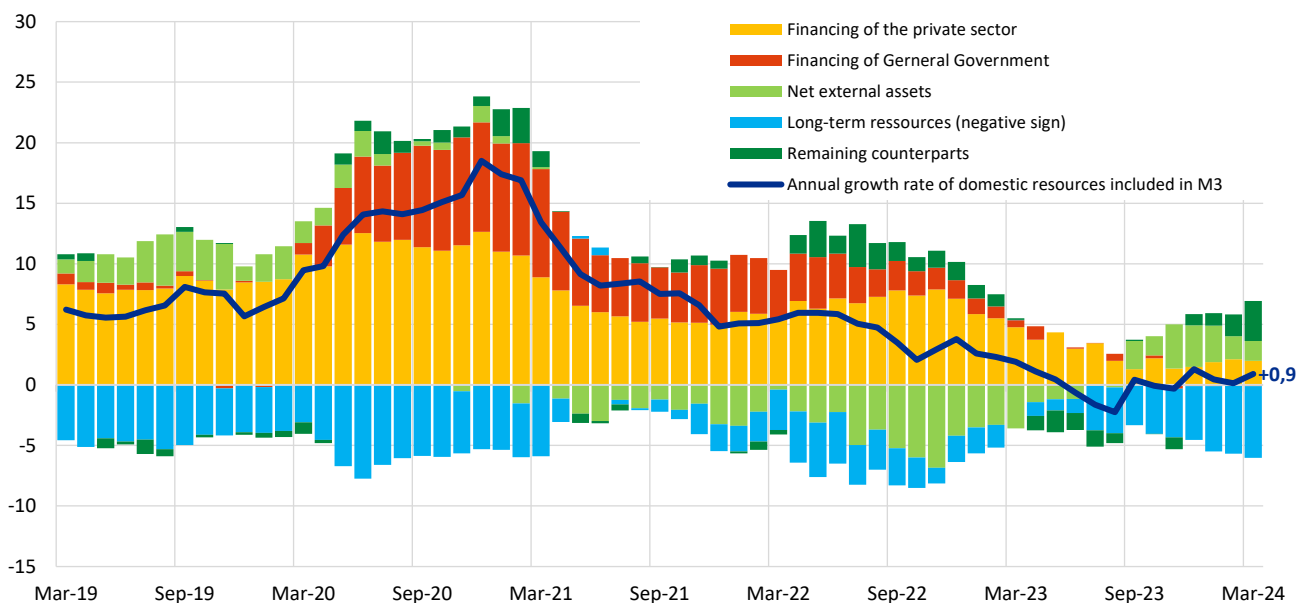
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## Contributions to the annual growth of the domestic resources included in M3



## Contribution of monetary counterparts to the annual growth of the domestic resources included in M3



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## Additional information

**Resources included in M3** (excluding banknotes and coins) consist of investments with a maturity of up to two years held by money-holding agents (households, non-financial corporations, General government excluding central government, insurance companies, pension funds, non-monetary mutual funds, investment firms and special purpose vehicles, for the most part) with monetary financial institutions (MFI).

**Monetary financial institutions** (MFIs) include credit institutions, finance companies, the *Caisse des dépôts et consignations*, money market funds and the *Banque de France*.

**Saving accounts** include *Livret A* and *Livret Bleu* passbooks, sustainable development and solidarity passbooks, home savings accounts, popular savings passbooks, youth passbooks and ordinary passbooks. Regulated savings are partly centralized in the Savings Fund managed by the *Caisse des Dépôts et Consignations* and thus only pass through the banks' balance sheets. Repurchase agreements are temporary purchases of securities by customers (particularly companies, insurance companies and non-money market funds). Debt securities with a maximum maturity of two years mainly comprise Negotiable European Commercial Paper (NEUCP) issued by French banks and subscribed by customers that are not credit institutions or money market funds.

**Funding of the economy** includes all financing provided by MFIs to the domestic public and private sectors, in the form of loans and securities (debt and equity). For **loans to households and nonfinancial companies (NFCs)**, loans transferred (securitisations) with impact on banks' balance sheets are reintegrated.

**Net external assets** correspond to the balance (assets minus liabilities) of MFI operations with the rest of the world.

**Long-term inflows** of MFIs include capital and reserves, debt securities issued by MFIs with a maturity of more than 2 years, deposits with a maturity of more than 2 years and central government deposits.

The item "**Remaining counterparts**" includes the balance of inter-MFI receivables and liabilities, the net of other balance sheet items (financial derivatives, accounting differences, fixed assets) and currency in circulation.

Growth rates for the outstanding amounts are calculated by adjusting changes in stocks for effects not resulting from economic transactions, in particular corrections for classification errors, but not for exchange rate effects.

The data on outstanding amounts, annual growth rates, and 12-month cumulative flows published in this Statinfo are not seasonally adjusted, but the monthly flow data are.

