

# Spain: household and company deposits shrank slightly in February

The latest figures for deposits published by the Bank of Spain show that Spanish household and corporate deposits fell by EUR800mn in February. After seasonal adjustments, the drop is higher: -EUR1.7bn.

## Total deposits in Spanish credit institutions sank by EUR3.1bn

In February, total deposits in Spanish institutions, including all agents and geographies, fell (-EUR3.1bn) due to the reduction in national agents' holdings, which were partly offset by those of other EMU countries and the rest of the world. See Table 1 for a more detailed breakdown.

## Households and companies reduced their deposits on aggregate by less than EUR1bn

The important agents when analysing changes in deposits are households and deposits based in Spain. Provisional data published by the Bank of Spain for February 2015 show that households reduced their deposits by EUR4.2bn, while companies increased theirs by EUR3.4bn. After seasonal corrections, the fall in household deposits has moderated to -EUR1.5bn, while those of companies showed a drop of EUR 0.1bn.

In February, in year-on-year terms, household and corporate deposits continued the falls that began back in October 2014, although at a rather more moderate rate than last month (-0.9% compared to -1.8% in January). This progress is in line with expectations, and is a result of the lower relative profitability of deposits compared to other savings products, the increase in household consumption, the shrinking saving rate and, finally, the greater investment on the part of companies, which has been positively affected by the better economic climate.

		Outstanding balance		MoM change January-2015		YoY change January-2015	
		Jan-15	Feb-15	(€bn)	%	(€bn)	%
Bank of Spain	<b>Total deposits (a)+(b)+(c)</b>	2,090	2,086	-4	0	-76	-4
	<b>Total deposits, Spain (a)</b>	1,775	1,766	-10	-1	-91	-5
	Credit institutions	301	297	-4	-1	-75	-20
	Public administrations	57	47	-10	-18	6	15
	<b>Other resident sectors, Spain (1)</b>	1,418	1,422	4	0	-22	-1
	NMFIs	390	390	0	0	-16	-4
	Insurance companies	51	55	3	6	2	3
	Other public administrations	33	34	2	6	1	4
	<b>Non-financial corporations and Households (i)+(ii)</b>	944	943	-1	0	-8	-1
	Non-financial corporations (i)	192	196	3	2	-1	-1
	Households (ii)	752	747	-4	-1	-7	-1
	<b>Total eurozone deposits (b)</b>	197	200	3	1	18	10
	Credit institutions	151	154	4	2	17	12
	Public administrations	5	3	-2	-40	-2	s.s.
	Other resident sectors, eurozone (2)	41	43	1	3	4	10
<b>Total deposits, RoW (c)</b>	118	121	3	3	-3	-3	
Credit institutions	69	72	3	4	-11	-13	
Public administrations	0	0	0	8	0	18	
Other resident sectors, RoW	48	49	0	1	8	19	
<b>ECB</b>	<b>Other eurozone resident sector deposits (1)+(2)</b>	1,459	1,465	5	0	-18	-1