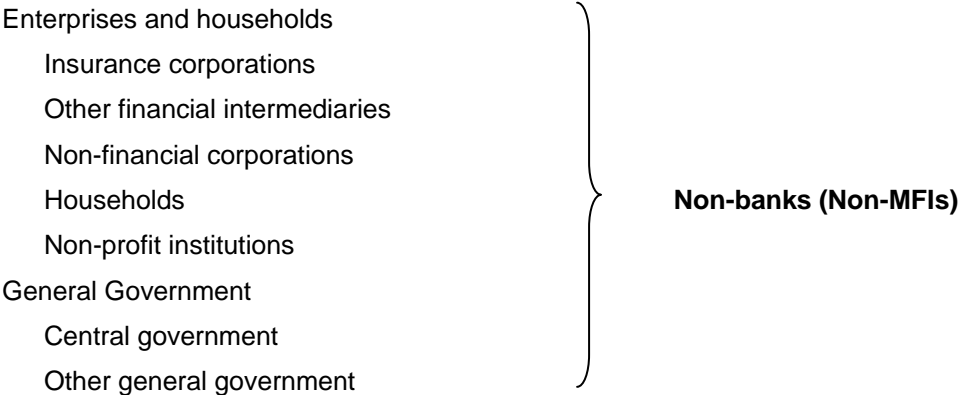


External positions of banks (MFIs)

General guidelines

I Sectors of the economy¹

Banks (MFIs)



Abroad

Non-residents are natural persons or corporations whose normal abode, head office or registered office is located abroad.

1 Foreign banks (Ausländische Banken)

Foreign banks are institutions whose registered office or seat of management is located abroad and which are regarded as banks in the country concerned. These also include domestic banks' branches abroad (including of foreign branches of the reporting institution), but not the domestic branches and representative offices of foreign banks. Foreign monetary authorities/central banks including the central banks of the euro-area member states and the ECB (see the list attached to the German text, page 596) are also deemed to be foreign banks. Within the context of the European Union, only MFIs are to be recorded as banks.

International Organisations see the list attached to the German text pages 590 f

¹ For detailed explanatory notes, see the list attached to the German text, pages 437 ff (Customer classification).

2 Foreign enterprises and households

(including non-profit institutions)

(Ausländische Unternehmen und Privatpersonen (einschließlich Organisationen ohne Erwerbszweck))

These also include foreign branches of domestic enterprises, but not domestic branches of foreign enterprises.

Institutions or establishments of foreign general government or of non-profit institutions operating and borrowing for their own account are to be treated as enterprises.

Foreign households also include members of foreign armed forces stationed in Germany (including civilian support personnel) and their families. By contrast, foreign workers living in Germany are as a rule to be regarded as residents.

International Organisations see the list attached to the German text pages 590 f

3 Foreign general government

(Ausländische öffentliche Haushalte)

- Foreign central governments, including their diplomatic and consular missions in Germany and the agencies of foreign armed forces stationed in Germany.
- Other foreign general government. This includes foreign central, state and local government as well as foreign social security funds.

For institutions and establishments of foreign general government operating and borrowing for their own name, see paragraph 2.

For the European Central Bank (ECB), see paragraph 1.

International Organisations see the list attached to the German text pages 590 f

II Countries

The classification by country is also to include the euro-area member states. International organisations are to be treated as if they were a country. Items vis-à-vis central banks of euro-area member states are to be shown in the country column of their respective country of domicile or seat; items vis-à-vis the ECB are to be recorded in a separate country column headed "ECB" (country code 918).

III Currencies

The domestic currency is the euro. All other currencies are deemed to be foreign currency.

IV. Contents and presentation of the reports

1 External position report (Auslandsstatus)

The monthly external position report is to show all assets and liabilities vis-à-vis foreign banks, enterprises, households and general government.

In principle, the assets to be shown here are to be taken from the reporting institution's books in the same way as in the report for the monthly balance sheet statistics. In defining the individual items, the maturity classification and all general reporting issues, the guidelines on monetary financial institutions' reports for the monthly balance sheet statistics are to be applied as appropriate.

The total amounts under external assets and external liabilities (forms, sheet 1, column 1, and sheet 2, column 1) are to be taken from the reporting institution's euro accounts, and on the reporting date foreign currencies must be converted into euro at the reference rate, in accordance with the provisions governing the monthly balance sheet statistics. The assets and liabilities vis-à-vis individual countries or individual international organisations are to be shown in separate columns — specifically, in 1,000 units of the currency in which they are denominated. On request, the reporting institution may be permitted to show all amounts of foreign currency in euro if it explicitly undertakes in writing to convert these currencies at the ESCB's reference rate on the reporting date. For each amount denominated in a particular currency, the converted equivalent is to be reported in a separate country/currency column and the original currency of denomination to be entered at the top of the column.

The reporting institution is free to choose the order in which the country/currency combinations are recorded (for example, a country or international organisation and all related currencies, or a currency and all related countries or international organisations). Care must be taken to ensure, first, that each country/currency combination is recorded only once, and, second, that all individual amounts included in the "total" column are recorded in one of the country/currency combinations. Delivery claims and liabilities arising from precious metal loans and assets and liabilities deriving from precious metal accounts are not to be recorded in the external position report.

Abbreviations for countries, international organisations and currencies are given in the lists attached to the German text (pages 585 ff). The lists also contain the associated numerical codes or ISO codes which are needed for the electronic transfer of reports.

Institutions subject to reporting requirements are to submit one report each for the domestic part of the institution, covering the overall external business of the institution transacted in Germany (see page 356). In addition, reports for the branches abroad encompassing their external business are to be returned, with the data for the branches located in the same host country consolidated in a single report (see page 363). Reports on the external position of the foreign subsidiaries are also to be returned, with a separate report being submitted for each subsidiary (including its branches) (see page 365).

2 Foreign currency position (supplementary form FW) (Status Fremdwahrung (Anlage FW))

As part of these statistics, items denominated in foreign currency vis-à-vis residents are to be classified by type, maturity and sector. Furthermore, negotiable and non-negotiable debt securities issued which are denominated in foreign currency are also to be reported and classified by maturity. Positions denominated in US dollars, Japanese yen, Swiss francs, pounds sterling, Swedish kronor and Danish kroner have to be shown separately.

Institutions with foreign branches are required to submit supplementary form FW for the domestic part of their institution only.

Guidelines on the external position report of domestic banks (MFIs)

I Form “External assets”, sheet 1 (R11) and “External assets”, sheet 2 (R12)

(Vordruck Auslandsaktiva Blatt 1 (R11) und Vordruck Auslandsaktiva Blatt 2 (R12))

Item 010 Banknotes and coins denominated in foreign currency

(Noten und Münzen in Fremdwährung)

Only legal tender of non-euro-area member states is to be recorded here. However, gold coins, even if they are officially legal tender, are to be excluded. A breakdown by currency is not required.

Item 123 Loans and advances to non-residents

(Forderungen an Ausländer)

All kinds of loans and advances to non-residents (excluding loans on a trust basis) not evidenced by negotiable securities are to be recorded here, in accordance with the classification by economic sector and by maturity provided for on the report form. Loans and advances to legally dependent branches of German enterprises and banks abroad are also to be included under this item; they are to be assigned to the country in which the branch is located.

Domestic branches of foreign banks are also to include their loans and advances to their head office and the other branches abroad here. Institutions with branches abroad are also to record here, in the report for the domestic part of the institution, their loans and advances to branches abroad (other than the working capital supplied, see item 142).

For the report on foreign branches, see page 363

For "Foreign bills", see item 206.

Item 124 Foreign Treasury bills and Treasury discount paper

(Ausländische Schatzwechsel und unverzinsliche Schatzanweisungen)

Treasury bills, Treasury discount paper and similar debt instruments issued by foreign public bodies and which have been discounted and are eligible for refinancing with the central banks of the countries in which the reporting bank is established are to be shown under this item. The paper is to be shown under the currency in which it is denominated and under the country in which the issuer is located.

"Countries in which the reporting bank is established" are deemed to be all countries in which the reporting institution conducts banking business, offers services or is represented for other reasons, irrespective of the form (office, branch, representative office) in which it operates in the country concerned.

Items 125, 126 and 127 Money market paper
(Geldmarktpapiere)

Negotiable Treasury bills, Treasury notes and other money market paper (commercial paper, Euro-notes, certificates of deposit, "bons de caisse" and similar rights evidenced by certificates with an original maturity of one year or less) issued by foreign borrowers, other than those to be included item 124 "Foreign Treasury bills and Treasury discount paper", are to be shown in these items. Debt securities issued by the ECB are also be recorded here using the ECB country code (918).

Items 129 to 140 Other foreign securities
(Andere ausländische Wertpapiere)

Own holdings of securities issued by foreign borrowers are to be shown in these items—specifically, negotiable bonds and notes, and shares and other variable yield securities (including foreign money market funds, shares/units), other than those to be included under item 141 "Participating interests and shares in affiliated enterprises abroad".

The securities are to be shown under the currency in which they are denominated and under the country in which the issuer is domiciled or has its seat. Foreign currency securities issued by domestic borrowers held by the reporting institution are not to be shown here but under the respective items on supplementary form FW.

Holdings of non-negotiable debt securities are not to be shown here but under items 101 to 120 "Loans and advances...".

Item 141 Participating interests and shares in affiliated enterprises abroad
(Beteiligungen und Anteile an verbundenen Unternehmen im Ausland)

All participating interests and shares in affiliated undertakings abroad are to be included in this item, irrespective of whether or not they are evidenced by securities.

Item 142 Working capital supplied to foreign branches
(Betriebskapital in ausländischen Zweigstellen)

The working capital supplied to foreign branches which is included in item 176 "Others" of the monthly balance sheet statistics is to be shown separately under this item.

Item 143 Other external assets
(Sonstige Auslandsaktiva)

All external on-balance-sheet financial assets (excluding loans on a trust basis) which cannot be included in items 010 to 142 (eg options bought on foreign exchanges, margins paid on foreign exchanges for outstanding positions in the forward market and holdings of foreign bills) are to be shown under this item.

Supplementary data on external assets

Item 201 Loans and advances to central banks/monetary authorities
(Forderungen an Zentralnotenbanken/Währungsbehörden)

Loans and advances to foreign central banks/monetary authorities included under items 101 to 104 "Loans and advances to foreign banks ..." are to be shown here separately. Loans and advances to central banks of the euro-area member states and to the ECB are also to be shown here (for the corresponding country codes, see the list attached to the German text, page 596).

Item 202 Loans and advances with a residual maturity of up to one year
(Forderungen mit einer Restlaufzeit bis zu 1 Jahr)

Loans and advances with a residual maturity of up to one year included under item 123 "Loans and advances to non-residents" are to be shown here. They include not only loans and advances which were originally long-term and whose residual maturity has now declined to one year or less but also loans and advances which were originally short-term and whose residual maturity was one year or less from the outset. Current account credit is also included here. In the case of loans and advances with repayments in regular instalments, the instalments due within the next 12 months are to be given.

Item 203 Irrevocable credit commitments
(Unwiderrufliche Kreditzusagen)

The irrevocable credit commitments vis-à-vis non-residents which are recorded in item 390 of the monthly balance sheet statistics are to be shown here separately. A breakdown by currency is not required, the amounts may be entered in euro.

Item 204 End-of-year market value of bonds and notes
(Marktwert der Anleihen und Schuldverschreibungen am Jahresende)

As of December 2006, no information has been required under this item.

Item 205 End-of-year market value of bonds and other equities
(Marktwert der Anleihen und sonstigen Wertpapieren am Jahresende)

As of December 2006, no information has been required under this item.

Item 206 Foreign bills
(Auslandswechsel)

Bills which have been drawn on (in the case of promissory notes, issued by) non-residents and which are shown under item 143 "Other external assets" and held in the reporting institution's portfolio are to be shown here. Whether the bills have been submitted by residents or by non-residents or where they are payable is irrelevant in this context.

For the report on foreign branches, see page 363

For the foreign currency position (supplementary form FW), see page 362

II Supplement to the form External assets, sheet 1 (R11) and form External assets, sheet 2 (R12)
(Ergänzung zu Vordruck Auslandsaktiva Blatt 1 (R11) und Vordruck Auslandsaktiva Blatt 2 (R12))

Changes in assets resulting from valuation adjustments in the reporting month

All additions or deductions to/from loan and securities portfolios resulting from valuation adjustments in the reporting month are to be shown here; deductions are to be preceded by minus sign.

The following are to be treated as valuation adjustments:

- changes in the individual value adjustments and write-downs and/or write-ups on bad loans carried out in the reporting period;
- revaluations of securities as a result of changes in the market value.

Value changes arising from exchange rate fluctuations are not to be included.

Valuation adjustments are to be shown only in the month or months in which such changes to the reported stock figures were actually made. If no changes in the individual value adjustments occurred in the reporting period or no write-downs and/or write-ups on bad loans were carried out, the form "Changes in loans and advances resulting from valuation adjustments in the reporting month" does not need to be completed. "Nil reports" are not required.

Note: The introduction of forms for reporting valuation adjustments does not mean that, contrary to the reporting institution's normal valuation practice, stocks are to be revalued regularly in future.

III Form External liabilities, sheet 1 (R21) and form External liabilities, sheet 2 (R22),
(Vordruck Auslandspassiva Blatt 1 (R21) und Vordruck Auslandspassiva Blatt 2 (R22))

Item 353 Liabilities vis-à-vis non-residents (excluding savings deposits)
(Verbindlichkeiten gegenüber Ausländern (ohne Spareinlagen))

All unsecured liabilities vis-à-vis non-residents (other than savings deposits and liabilities on a trust basis, but including subordinated liabilities) are to be shown under this item in accordance with the classification by sector of the economy and maturity provided for on the report form. Liabilities vis-à-vis legally dependent branches of German enterprises and banks abroad are also to be included here; they are to be assigned to the country in which the branch is located. The amounts received for the transfers and corresponding to the liabilities arising from genuine sale and repurchase transactions (repos) and contained in the liabilities vis-à-vis non-banks are to be shown separately.

Building and loan associations are to show deposits under savings contracts placed by non-residents as deposits with an agreed maturity of over two years on line 305 or lines 312, 318, 324, 330, 336, 344 or 350, depending on the creditor.

Domestic branches of foreign banks are also to show here their liabilities vis-à-vis their head office and the other branches abroad (with the exception of the working capital received, see item 357). Banks with branches abroad are also to show here, in the report for the domestic part of the institution, their liabilities vis-à-vis branches abroad.

Securitized liabilities are not shown in the external position report.

For the report on foreign branches, see page 363

Item 356 Non-residents' savings deposits
(Spareinlagen von Ausländern)

Only funds satisfying the requirements of section 21 (4) of the Accounting Regulation for Credit Institutions (*Verordnung über die Rechnungslegung der Kreditinstitute*) are to be shown in this item as non-residents' saving deposits.

Item 357 Working capital supplied to domestic branches of foreign banks
(Betriebskapital von inländischen Zweigstellen ausländischer Banken)

The working capital (including reserves) supplied to domestic branches of foreign banks as shown in item HV21/310 "Capital" of the monthly balance sheet statistics is to be recorded under this item.

Item 358 Other external liabilities
(Sonstige Auslandspassiva)

All on-balance-sheet external liabilities (excluding liabilities on a trust basis) which cannot be included under items 301 to 357 (eg own acceptances and promissory notes rediscounted abroad — including with affiliates abroad, see footnote 1 on page 20) are to be shown under this item.

Securitised liabilities are not shown in the external position report.

Supplementary data on external liabilities (R22)

Item 401 Amounts owed to foreign central banks/monetary authorities
(Verbindlichkeiten gegenüber ausländischen Zentralnotenbanken/Währungsbehörden)

The amounts owed to foreign central banks/monetary authorities included under items 301 to 305 "Liabilities to foreign banks" are to be shown here separately. They include amounts owed to central banks of euro-area member states and to the ECB (for the corresponding country codes, see the list attached to the German text, page 596).

Guidelines on the foreign currency position of domestic banks (supplementary form FW)

Supplementary form FW is to be submitted only for the domestic part of the reporting institution.

Data on the foreign currency assets and liabilities vis-à-vis residents and foreign-currency-denominated debt certificates outstanding are to be shown under items 501 to 704. Items denominated in US dollars, Japanese yen, Swiss francs, pounds sterling, Swedish kronor and Danish kroner are to be shown separately.

All foreign currency amounts are to be shown in euro.

Furthermore, in preparing the reports, the “Guidelines to the external position report of domestic banks” are to be applied.

Guidelines on the external position report of foreign branches

Like the external position report for the domestic part of the reporting institution, the report provides a breakdown of the external assets and liabilities by sector and maturity, country and currency. **The same definition of "foreign/abroad" is to be used as in the report for the domestic part of the reporting institution**; hence the branch's host country is also deemed to be "foreign/abroad".

A separate report is to be prepared for each individual host country of a foreign branch (also applicable to euro-area member states). However, an aggregate report is to be returned for branches in the same country of domicile. The reciprocal assets and liabilities of foreign branches domiciled in different countries are not to be shown net but gross.

Furthermore, in preparing the reports, the "Guidelines on the external position report of domestic banks" are to be applied accordingly.

Form "External liabilities of foreign branches" (R21)

Item 353 Liabilities vis-à-vis non-residents
(Verbindlichkeiten gegenüber Ausländern)

Savings deposits of non-residents are to be shown by creditor in line 337 or 351 as amounts owed and repayable on demand and liabilities of up to one year.

Item 400 Liabilities vis-à-vis group-affiliated institutions
(Verbindlichkeiten gegenüber gruppenangehörigen Instituten)

The liabilities vis-à-vis the German head office (which are not otherwise recorded in the external position report) as well as the liabilities vis-à-vis foreign branches and other foreign group-affiliated banks recorded under items 303 and 306 are to be shown separately. A breakdown by country or currency is not necessary.

Item 402 Amounts owed and repayable on demand and liabilities of up to one year vis-à-vis group-affiliated institutions
(Täglich fällige und befristete Verbindlichkeiten bis zu 1 Jahr einschl. gegenüber gruppenangehörigen Instituten)

Item 403 Liabilities of more than one year vis-à-vis group-affiliated institutions
(Befristete Verbindlichkeiten von mehr als 1 Jahr gegenüber gruppenangehörigen Instituten)

The working capital which the domestic head offices makes available to its foreign branches and which is shown under asset item 142 in the domestic institutions' external position report is also to be included here.

Guidelines on the external position report of foreign subsidiaries

Like the domestic banks' external position report, this report provides a breakdown of the external assets and liabilities by sector and maturity, country and currency. **The same definition of "foreign/abroad" is to be used as in the report for domestic MFIs**; hence the subsidiary's host country is also deemed to be "foreign/abroad".

A separate report is to be prepared for each individual subsidiary (including its sub-branches). The sum total of the external assets and external liabilities (forms headed "External assets of foreign subsidiaries" and "External liabilities of foreign subsidiaries", column 1) is to be shown in the same currency as used for the monthly balance sheet statistics on the foreign subsidiaries (ie in the currency in which the foreign subsidiary's accounts are kept or, on request, converted into euro). The assets and liabilities shown in the individual country/currency columns (column 2 ff.) are to be shown in 1,000 units of the currency in which they are denominated. On request, the reporting institution may also convert the currency amounts into euro but the original currency is to be indicated in the headings of the individual country/currency columns to make it clear from which currency the amounts have been converted.

Furthermore, in preparing the reports, the "Guidelines on the external position of domestic banks" are to be applied accordingly.

Form "External liabilities of foreign subsidiaries" (R21)

Item 353 **Liabilities vis-à-vis non-residents** (Verbindlichkeiten gegenüber Ausländern)

Savings deposits of non-residents are to be shown by creditor in line 337 or 351 as amounts owed and repayable on demand and liabilities of up to one year.

Item 400 **Liabilities vis-à-vis group-affiliated institutions** (Verbindlichkeiten gegenüber gruppenangehörigen Instituten)

The liabilities vis-à-vis the German parent company (which are not otherwise recorded in the external position report) as well as the liabilities vis-à-vis foreign branches of the parent company and other foreign group-affiliated banks recorded under items 303 and 306 are to be shown here separately. The equity capital in the foreign subsidiary held by the German parent company is not to be included. A breakdown by country and currency is not required.