

Currency Composition of Official Foreign Exchange Reserves (COFER)

(In millions of U.S. dollars)

	Quarters							
	2006				2007			
	I	II	III	IV	I <sup>p</sup>	II <sup>p</sup>	III <sup>p</sup>	IV <sup>p</sup>
<b>All countries</b>								
Total foreign exchange holdings	4,357,894	4,586,652	4,749,652	5,036,831	5,362,465	5,720,953	6,041,157	6,390,611
Allocated reserves 1/	2,933,497	3,030,324	3,133,973	3,311,889	3,465,620	3,671,473	3,845,400	4,064,806
Claims in U.S. dollars	1,950,261	2,003,312	2,084,255	2,168,106	2,252,004	2,385,351	2,453,054	2,598,526
Claims in pounds sterling	115,856	126,905	132,304	145,203	155,328	170,413	182,512	190,780
Claims in Deutsche mark	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Claims in French francs	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Claims in Japanese yen	97,363	94,442	93,646	102,051	102,767	102,152	105,339	118,650
Claims in Swiss francs	4,711	4,457	4,933	5,685	6,064	5,860	6,460	6,555
Claims in Netherlands guilder	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Claims in ECUs	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Claims in euros	719,918	750,057	765,408	831,777	881,646	935,649	1,015,852	1,075,517
Claims in other currencies	45,388	51,151	53,427	59,067	67,810	72,048	82,184	74,778
Unallocated reserves 2/	1,424,397	1,556,328	1,615,678	1,724,942	1,896,845	2,049,480	2,195,757	2,325,805
<b>Industrial countries</b>								
Total foreign exchange holdings	1,302,611	1,333,550	1,359,400	1,403,734	1,427,407	1,448,463	1,486,608	1,501,192
Allocated reserves 1/	1,299,234	1,329,644	1,355,437	1,399,364	1,423,618	1,443,989	1,481,727	1,496,194
Claims in U.S. dollars	952,443	959,834	982,270	997,531	1,016,352	1,027,616	1,030,661	1,038,946
Claims in pounds sterling	28,153	31,800	32,715	36,457	37,374	40,817	44,039	41,301
Claims in Deutsche mark	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Claims in French francs	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Claims in Japanese yen	45,062	46,900	47,497	49,065	45,770	44,664	45,903	46,840
Claims in Swiss francs	2,601	2,557	2,682	2,981	3,144	3,104	3,325	2,785
Claims in Netherlands guilder	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Claims in ECUs	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Claims in euros	255,173	271,752	273,256	293,633	300,899	306,442	333,286	345,402
Claims in other currencies	15,802	16,802	17,016	19,698	20,080	21,346	24,513	20,919
Unallocated reserves 2/	3,377	3,906	3,963	4,370	3,789	4,474	4,881	4,998
<b>Developing countries</b>								
Total foreign exchange holdings	3,055,283	3,253,102	3,390,251	3,633,096	3,935,058	4,272,491	4,554,550	4,889,419
Allocated reserves 1/	1,634,263	1,700,679	1,778,537	1,912,524	2,042,002	2,227,484	2,363,673	2,568,612
Claims in U.S. dollars	997,818	1,043,479	1,101,985	1,170,575	1,235,652	1,357,735	1,422,393	1,559,580
Claims in pounds sterling	87,703	95,105	99,589	108,747	117,954	129,596	138,473	149,478
Claims in Deutsche mark	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Claims in French francs	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Claims in Japanese yen	52,302	47,542	46,148	52,986	56,997	57,488	59,436	71,810
Claims in Swiss francs	2,109	1,900	2,251	2,704	2,921	2,755	3,135	3,769
Claims in Netherlands guilder	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Claims in ECUs	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Claims in euros	464,745	478,305	492,152	538,144	580,748	629,207	682,566	730,115
Claims in other currencies	29,586	34,349	36,411	39,369	47,731	50,702	57,671	53,859
Unallocated reserves 2/	1,421,020	1,552,422	1,611,715	1,720,572	1,893,056	2,045,007	2,190,877	2,320,807

Currency Composition of Official Foreign Exchange Reserves (COFER) (continued)

(In millions of U.S. dollars)

	Quarters							
	2004				2005			
	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV
<b>All countries</b>								
Total foreign exchange holdings	3,296,235	3,341,029	3,440,293	3,748,635	3,857,601	3,947,763	4,055,071	4,174,824
Allocated reserves 1/	2,427,033	2,426,056	2,475,140	2,652,683	2,690,048	2,724,454	2,757,998	2,840,408
Claims in U.S. dollars	1,639,002	1,645,932	1,666,596	1,748,839	1,761,175	1,802,563	1,831,439	1,899,964
Claims in pounds sterling	65,534	66,208	75,968	89,457	95,738	94,767	99,277	102,242
Claims in Deutsche mark	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Claims in French francs	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Claims in Japanese yen	97,049	93,553	88,872	101,787	104,864	102,499	104,498	101,769
Claims in Swiss francs	5,464	5,711	4,178	4,419	4,578	3,633	3,988	4,144
Claims in Netherlands guilder	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Claims in ECUs	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Claims in euros	572,634	569,083	592,066	658,506	675,408	674,686	670,550	683,577
Claims in other currencies	47,351	45,570	47,460	49,677	48,285	46,306	48,246	48,712
Unallocated reserves 2/	869,202	914,973	965,154	1,095,952	1,167,553	1,223,308	1,297,073	1,334,416
<b>Industrial countries</b>								
Total foreign exchange holdings	1,276,783	1,264,732	1,277,559	1,324,798	1,310,411	1,303,153	1,291,926	1,301,675
Allocated reserves 1/	1,275,522	1,263,215	1,275,814	1,321,538	1,308,435	1,300,437	1,289,183	1,297,841
Claims in U.S. dollars	933,017	927,802	928,180	936,422	935,810	950,229	939,927	947,460
Claims in pounds sterling	17,345	18,790	24,381	25,912	28,208	27,667	27,734	28,305
Claims in Deutsche mark	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Claims in French francs	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Claims in Japanese yen	45,526	42,460	41,952	46,850	43,409	43,121	44,163	44,197
Claims in Swiss francs	3,014	3,311	1,645	1,757	2,262	1,685	1,828	1,786
Claims in Netherlands guilder	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Claims in ECUs	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Claims in euros	252,933	247,785	255,568	282,273	272,110	253,888	252,265	254,717
Claims in other currencies	23,688	23,067	24,088	28,323	26,635	23,848	23,265	21,376
Unallocated reserves 2/	1,260	1,517	1,745	3,260	1,976	2,716	2,743	3,833
<b>Developing countries</b>								
Total foreign exchange holdings	2,019,452	2,076,298	2,162,734	2,423,837	2,547,190	2,644,610	2,763,145	2,873,149
Allocated reserves 1/	1,151,510	1,162,841	1,199,325	1,331,146	1,381,613	1,424,017	1,468,815	1,542,566
Claims in U.S. dollars	705,985	718,129	738,416	812,417	825,365	852,334	891,512	952,504
Claims in pounds sterling	48,188	47,418	51,586	63,544	67,530	67,100	71,543	73,938
Claims in Deutsche mark	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Claims in French francs	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Claims in Japanese yen	51,524	51,094	46,921	54,936	61,455	59,379	60,335	57,571
Claims in Swiss francs	2,450	2,400	2,533	2,661	2,316	1,948	2,160	2,358
Claims in Netherlands guilder	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Claims in ECUs	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Claims in euros	319,701	321,297	336,498	376,233	403,298	420,798	418,285	428,860
Claims in other currencies	23,663	22,503	23,372	21,354	21,650	22,458	24,981	27,336
Unallocated reserves 2/	867,942	913,456	963,409	1,092,691	1,165,576	1,220,592	1,294,330	1,330,583

Currency Composition of Official Foreign Exchange Reserves (COFER) (continued)

(In millions of U.S. dollars)

	Quarters							
	2002				2003			
	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV
<b>All countries</b>								
Total foreign exchange holdings	2,082,057	2,237,311	2,307,809	2,408,441	2,501,912	2,669,029	2,832,397	3,025,498
Allocated reserves 1/	1,576,565	1,690,548	1,741,750	1,795,915	1,845,484	1,962,998	2,060,428	2,223,110
Claims in U.S. dollars	1,129,099	1,168,266	1,185,519	1,204,673	1,236,585	1,310,666	1,383,814	1,465,752
Claims in pounds sterling	42,133	46,140	48,659	50,537	46,678	49,724	49,974	61,655
Claims in Deutsche mark	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Claims in French francs	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Claims in Japanese yen	69,125	79,847	79,498	78,145	71,976	70,588	79,012	87,608
Claims in Swiss francs	5,362	5,622	5,998	7,314	4,437	4,080	4,669	5,016
Claims in Netherlands guilder	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Claims in ECUs	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Claims in euros	310,064	364,280	393,034	427,327	455,218	492,816	506,361	559,246
Claims in other currencies	20,781	26,393	29,042	27,919	30,590	35,124	36,598	43,833
Unallocated reserves 2/	505,492	546,762	566,059	612,526	656,428	706,031	771,969	802,388
<b>Industrial countries</b>								
Total foreign exchange holdings	794,836	857,981	887,304	910,641	920,200	988,015	1,050,557	1,126,849
Allocated reserves 1/	793,419	856,207	886,245	908,308	918,894	985,893	1,049,009	1,124,188
Claims in U.S. dollars	573,398	598,099	615,768	619,350	631,674	674,494	730,815	784,845
Claims in pounds sterling	15,604	17,379	18,852	19,742	17,141	17,718	16,636	17,910
Claims in Deutsche mark	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Claims in French francs	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Claims in Japanese yen	33,721	39,403	38,953	38,848	36,213	35,527	43,204	42,677
Claims in Swiss francs	3,498	4,183	4,572	5,282	2,328	2,054	2,559	2,735
Claims in Netherlands guilder	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Claims in ECUs	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Claims in euros	154,422	181,511	190,930	209,067	213,848	235,955	235,274	253,955
Claims in other currencies	12,776	15,632	17,170	16,020	17,689	20,144	20,520	22,067
Unallocated reserves 2/	1,417	1,775	1,059	2,334	1,306	2,122	1,549	2,661
<b>Developing countries</b>								
Total foreign exchange holdings	1,287,221	1,379,329	1,420,505	1,497,799	1,581,713	1,681,015	1,781,839	1,898,649
Allocated reserves 1/	783,146	834,342	855,504	887,607	926,591	977,105	1,011,419	1,098,922
Claims in U.S. dollars	555,701	570,166	569,751	585,323	604,911	636,171	652,999	680,907
Claims in pounds sterling	26,530	28,761	29,807	30,795	29,537	32,007	33,338	43,745
Claims in Deutsche mark	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Claims in French francs	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Claims in Japanese yen	35,404	40,444	40,545	39,298	35,763	35,061	35,808	44,931
Claims in Swiss francs	1,864	1,439	1,425	2,032	2,109	2,026	2,110	2,280
Claims in Netherlands guilder	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Claims in ECUs	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Claims in euros	155,642	182,769	202,104	218,261	241,370	256,861	271,087	305,292
Claims in other currencies	8,005	10,761	11,872	11,898	12,901	14,980	16,078	21,766
Unallocated reserves 2/	504,075	544,988	565,000	610,192	655,122	703,909	770,420	799,727

Currency Composition of Official Foreign Exchange Reserves (COFER) (continued)

(In millions of U.S. dollars)

	Quarters							
	2000				2001			
	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV
<b>All countries</b>								
Total foreign exchange holdings	1,808,880	1,853,084	1,874,330	1,936,516	1,932,046	1,934,418	2,028,074	2,049,888
Allocated reserves 1/	1,400,590	1,441,915	1,465,550	1,518,244	1,507,635	1,510,627	1,581,710	1,569,488
Claims in U.S. dollars	1,000,859	1,038,479	1,059,574	1,079,916	1,090,119	1,098,235	1,129,299	1,122,431
Claims in pounds sterling	40,923	39,789	39,999	41,798	41,849	40,013	41,590	42,401
Claims in Deutsche mark	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Claims in French francs	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Claims in Japanese yen	88,759	86,467	94,180	92,078	83,110	80,913	85,447	79,190
Claims in Swiss francs	3,590	2,925	3,279	4,087	4,131	3,967	4,150	4,372
Claims in Netherlands guilder	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Claims in ECUs	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Claims in euros	245,173	252,549	248,757	277,693	266,965	266,335	298,986	301,026
Claims in other currencies	21,285	21,705	19,760	22,672	21,461	21,165	22,239	20,069
Unallocated reserves 2/	408,290	411,170	408,780	418,272	424,411	423,791	446,364	480,399
<b>Industrial countries</b>								
Total foreign exchange holdings	728,329	759,899	763,290	786,251	762,240	756,232	797,808	793,231
Allocated reserves 1/	727,783	759,670	762,973	783,483	761,632	753,928	796,861	792,137
Claims in U.S. dollars	536,582	565,038	564,541	566,526	560,196	553,968	573,697	572,140
Claims in pounds sterling	16,236	16,045	16,176	16,298	16,074	15,076	15,601	15,583
Claims in Deutsche mark	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Claims in French francs	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Claims in Japanese yen	48,196	47,394	50,258	49,386	44,581	45,115	46,860	43,445
Claims in Swiss francs	1,813	1,250	1,625	1,962	2,472	2,329	2,773	2,454
Claims in Netherlands guilder	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Claims in ECUs	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Claims in euros	112,952	117,746	119,079	136,102	125,615	125,752	144,973	145,931
Claims in other currencies	12,004	12,197	11,295	13,208	12,694	11,687	12,956	12,584
Unallocated reserves 2/	546	230	317	2,768	608	2,304	947	1,094
<b>Developing countries</b>								
Total foreign exchange holdings	1,080,551	1,093,185	1,111,040	1,150,265	1,169,806	1,178,186	1,230,266	1,256,657
Allocated reserves 1/	672,806	682,245	702,576	734,761	746,003	756,700	784,849	777,351
Claims in U.S. dollars	464,277	473,442	495,034	513,390	529,923	544,266	555,602	550,291
Claims in pounds sterling	24,687	23,744	23,823	25,501	25,775	24,937	25,988	26,818
Claims in Deutsche mark	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Claims in French francs	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Claims in Japanese yen	40,563	39,073	43,922	42,692	38,529	35,797	38,587	35,745
Claims in Swiss francs	1,777	1,675	1,654	2,124	1,659	1,638	1,377	1,917
Claims in Netherlands guilder	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Claims in ECUs	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Claims in euros	132,221	134,803	129,678	141,590	141,350	140,583	154,013	155,096
Claims in other currencies	9,281	9,508	8,465	9,463	8,766	9,477	9,283	7,485
Unallocated reserves 2/	407,744	410,940	408,464	415,504	423,803	421,487	445,417	479,305

Currency Composition of Official Foreign Exchange Reserves (COFER) (concluded)

(In millions of U.S. dollars)

	Annual				Quarters			
	1995	1996*	1997	1998	1999			
					I	II	III	IV
<b>All countries</b>								
Total foreign exchange holdings	1,389,801	1,566,257	1,616,248	1,643,957	1,606,057	1,646,331	1,713,768	1,782,136
Allocated reserves 1/	1,034,175	1,224,464	1,271,982	1,282,406	1,239,415	1,273,725	1,324,245	1,379,705
Claims in U.S. dollars	610,337	760,071	828,887	888,724	882,325	918,685	936,039	979,783
Claims in pounds sterling	21,874	32,883	32,856	34,142	34,015	35,574	37,029	39,827
Claims in Deutsche mark	163,088	179,916	184,349	176,951	...	...	...	...
Claims in French francs	24,361	22,638	18,314	20,814	...	...	...	...
Claims in Japanese yen	70,071	82,307	73,487	80,029	74,773	71,674	82,726	87,939
Claims in Swiss francs	3,464	3,705	4,435	4,237	3,571	3,092	3,193	3,172
Claims in Netherlands guilder	3,306	2,935	4,461	3,489	...	...	...	...
Claims in ECUs	88,288	86,837	77,322	16,637	...	...	...	...
Claims in euros	...	...	...	...	224,936	223,854	242,702	246,950
Claims in other currencies	49,387	53,172	47,871	57,383	19,795	20,846	22,555	22,034
Unallocated reserves 2/	355,626	341,794	344,266	361,551	366,642	372,606	389,524	402,431
<b>Industrial countries</b>								
Total foreign exchange holdings	660,205	726,889	708,980	677,065	644,897	659,732	699,910	729,599
Allocated reserves 1/	653,526	710,910	694,297	669,226	643,778	658,300	698,015	724,790
Claims in U.S. dollars	341,359	406,726	408,562	450,138	459,558	476,065	501,864	529,270
Claims in pounds sterling	13,881	15,042	14,033	14,276	14,185	14,592	15,073	16,012
Claims in Deutsche mark	109,104	114,464	114,320	91,638	...	...	...	...
Claims in French francs	15,398	12,419	6,257	7,945	...	...	...	...
Claims in Japanese yen	43,363	40,262	40,493	45,755	41,712	40,242	45,976	48,016
Claims in Swiss francs	1,106	903	1,074	1,140	911	541	529	573
Claims in Netherlands guilder	1,583	1,241	1,544	1,381	...	...	...	...
Claims in ECUs	88,116	86,655	76,931	15,333	...	...	...	...
Claims in euros	...	...	...	...	116,057	115,606	122,041	119,864
Claims in other currencies	39,618	33,199	31,083	41,620	11,355	11,254	12,532	11,055
Unallocated reserves 2/	6,678	15,979	14,683	7,839	1,119	1,432	1,896	4,809
<b>Developing countries</b>								
Total foreign exchange holdings	729,596	839,368	907,268	966,892	961,160	986,599	1,013,858	1,052,537
Allocated reserves 1/	380,649	513,554	577,685	613,180	595,637	615,425	626,230	654,915
Claims in U.S. dollars	268,978	353,346	420,325	438,586	422,767	442,621	434,175	450,513
Claims in pounds sterling	7,993	17,841	18,823	19,866	19,830	20,982	21,956	23,815
Claims in Deutsche mark	53,984	65,452	70,029	85,312	...	...	...	...
Claims in French francs	8,963	10,219	12,057	12,869	...	...	...	...
Claims in Japanese yen	26,708	42,046	32,994	34,275	33,062	31,432	36,750	39,922
Claims in Swiss francs	2,357	2,802	3,360	3,096	2,660	2,551	2,664	2,599
Claims in Netherlands guilder	1,724	1,693	2,917	2,108	...	...	...	...
Claims in ECUs	172	182	391	1,304	...	...	...	...
Claims in euros	...	...	...	...	108,878	108,248	120,661	127,086
Claims in other currencies	9,770	19,972	16,788	15,763	8,441	9,592	10,023	10,978
Unallocated reserves 2/	348,948	325,814	329,583	353,712	365,522	371,174	387,628	397,622

Source: IMF Statistics Department COFER database

Note: In the data above, the coverage of countries classified into the developing and industrial country groups have been revised consistent with a recent change in country classification in *International Financial Statistics*.

\* Countries with sizable reserves either joined (began reporting) the sample or left (stopped reporting) the sample.

p = Preliminary

(...) Not applicable.

1/ This line shows reserves data, whose currency composition has been identified.

2/ This line is the difference between total foreign exchange reserves and the allocated reserves.