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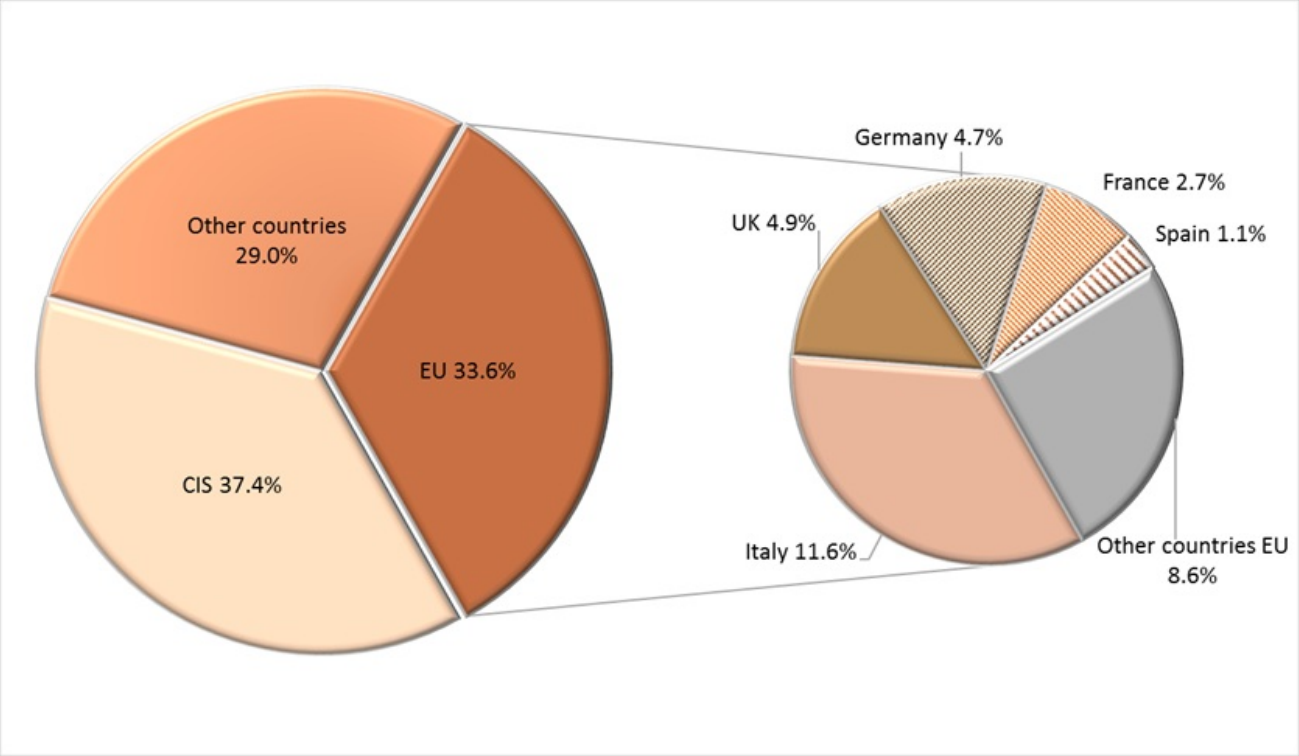
Graphical analysis of money transfers from abroad in favour of individuals, August 2017

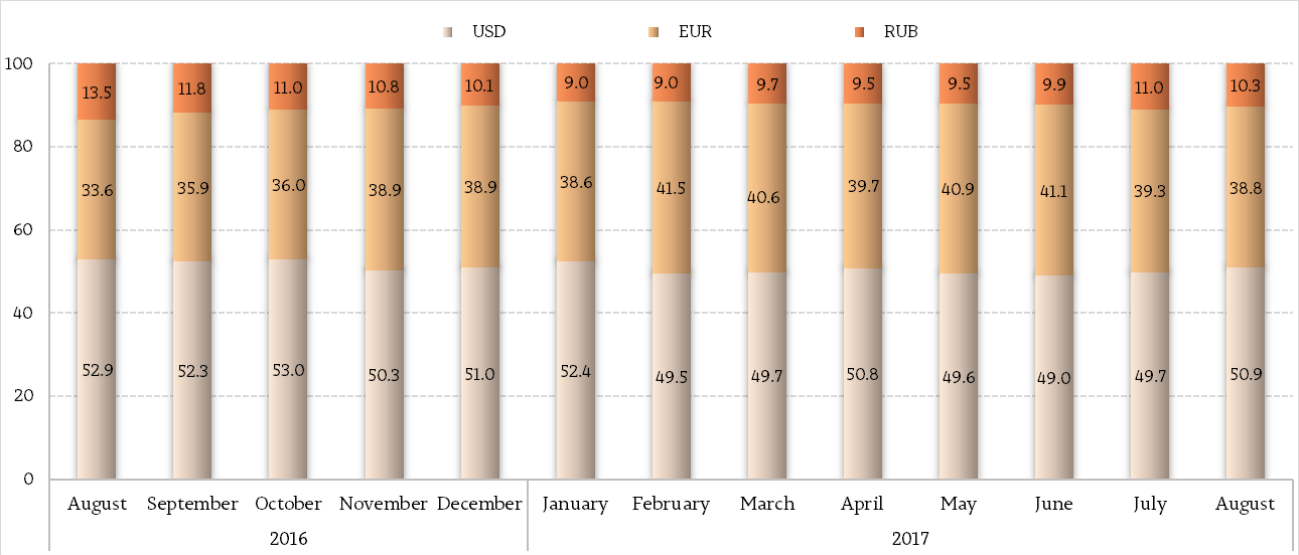
In August 2017, the total amount of net money transfers from abroad made in favour of individuals via licensed banks of the Republic of Moldova amounted to US$ 106.02 million (increasing by 9.5% as against August 2016).

Chart no. 1. Structure of net transfers of funds from abroad in favour of individuals by geographic areas, August 2017 (%)



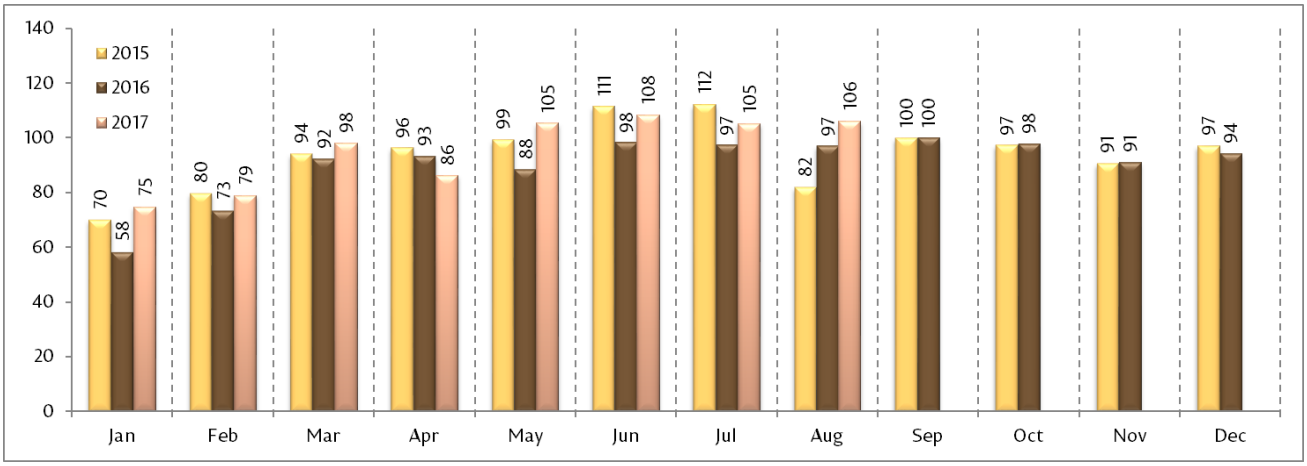
The distribution by countries of money transfers from abroad in favour of individuals showed that the Russian Federation continued to be the main partner of the Republic of Moldova and held the share of 36.0 percent (USD 38.06 million) of total transfers (decreasing by 3.0 percentage points as compared to August 2016). At the same time, the transfers from Israel - 15.7 percent (USD 16.58), from Italy - 11.6 percent (USD 12.27 million), USA - 7.7 percent (USD 8.14 million), Great Britain - 4.9 percent (USD 5.23 million), Germany - 4.7 percent (USD 5.02 million), France - 2.7 percent (USD 2.86 million), Turkey - 1.3 percent (USD 1.39 million), Spain - 1.1 percent (USD 1.14 million), Republic of Ireland – 1.0 percent (USD 1.01 million), Romania - 1.0 percent (USD 1.10 million), Portugal - 0.9 percent (USD 0.93 million), Other countries – 11.4 percent (USD 12.11 million).

Chart no. 2. Currency structure of money transfers from abroad via MTS in favour of individuals through licensed banks (%) August 2017



In the currency structure of transfers in favour of individuals, transfers made in US dollars have the main rate of 50.9% (down by 2.0 p.p compared to August 2016), followed by transfers in EUR - 38.8% (up by 5.2 p.p) and those in RUB- 10.3% (down by 3.2 p.p).

Chart no. 3. Money transfers from abroad made in favour of individuals, in monthly dynamics, 2015 – August 2017 (US$ million.)



In August 2017, compared with the same period of the previous year, the exchange rate fluctuations of the currencies against the U.S. dollar from money transfers via MTS contributed by 1.7 percentage points to the total increase in foreign transfers in favour of individuals, while the actual increase in transfers was 7.8 percent (eliminating the exchange rate effect by recalculating the amounts at the exchange rate for the respective period of the previous year).

Chart no. 4. Money transfers from abroad made in favour of individuals, in monthly dynamics, August 2017 - exchange rate impact (US$ million.)

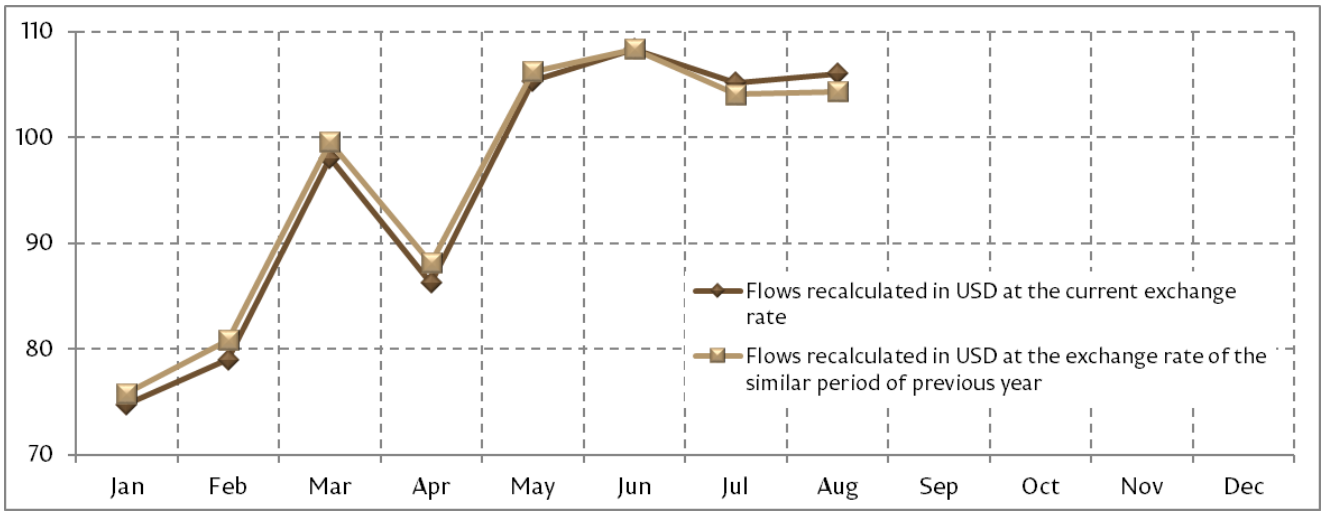


Chart no. 5. Money transfers from abroad made in favour of individuals, in monthly dynamics, 2016 - exchange rate impact (US$ million.)

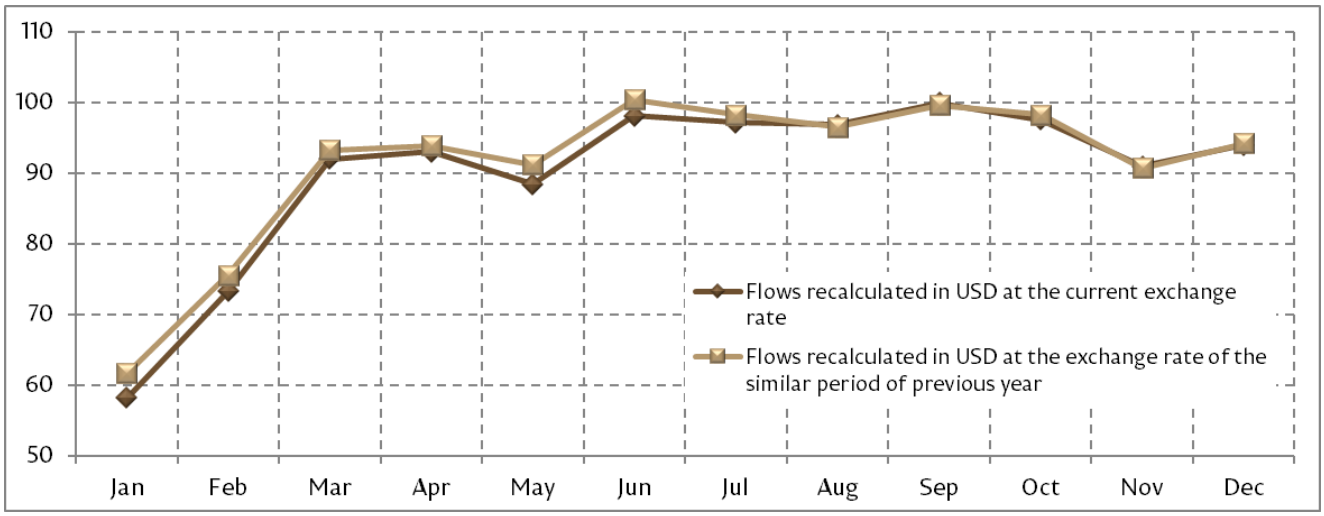
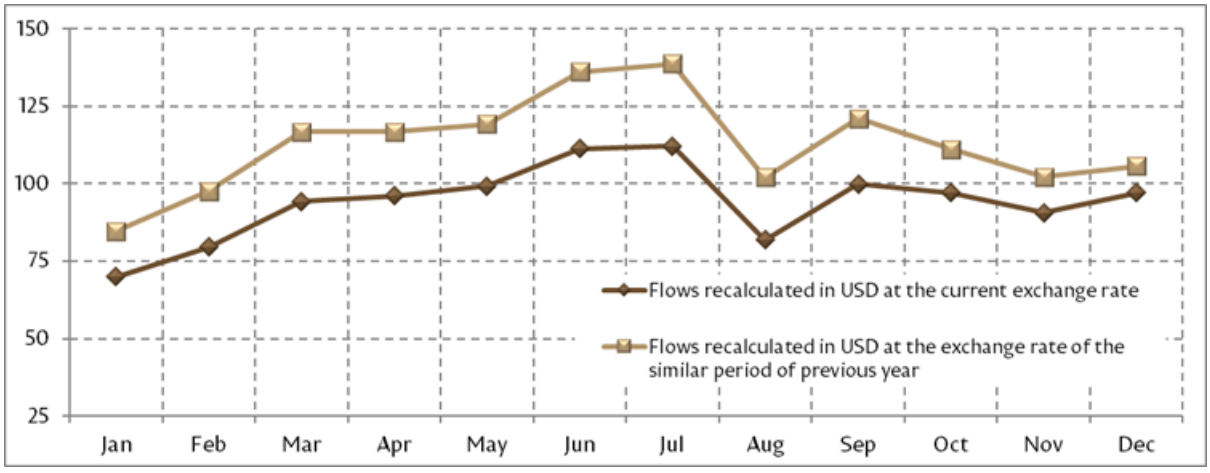


Chart no. 6. Money transfers from abroad made in favour of individuals, in monthly dynamics, 2015 - exchange rate impact (US$ million.)



NOTE:

The National Bank of Moldova notes that money transfers from abroad in favour of individuals via banks do not consist solely of remittances of Moldovan citizens working abroad, but also include unilateral transfers such as:

1. local transfers, including salary transfers in favour of resident individuals from non-residents' representatives (representative offices of international financial institutions, international organisations, and representations of foreign economic agents) in the Republic of Moldova (0.9 percent of total transfers);
2. transfers in favour of non-residents who are temporarily in the Republic of Moldova (1.5 percent of total transfers via MTS);
3. pensions (social and maintenance) and benefits (0.2 percent of total transfers).

Money transfers from abroad in favour of individuals through Moldovan banks also include transfers of individuals made via postal offices of the State Enterprise "Poşta Moldovei" (settled through banks), both via MTS and money orders.

Note that this indicator does not include:
a) international transfers to individuals made via SWIFT payment system with an investment purpose (with significant values), which amounted in the August 2017 to USD 1.62 million;
b) international transfers via SWIFT payment system to non-resident individuals, clients of licensed Moldovan banks;
c) transfers made via banks located in the Transnistrian region of the Republic of Moldova.

Statistical series on money transfers from abroad made in favour of individuals via banks and SE "Poşta Moldovei", as well as their currency structure, can be found on the official website of the National Bank of Moldova at:

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