

**Credits and deposits market development in February 2013**

The volume of *new granted credits in national currency*¹ decreased by MDL 305.1 million or by 23.7 percent in February 2013 as compared to the same period of the last year, constituting MDL 983.6 million. The average weighted interest rate on credits granted during the reporting period, constituted 13.23 percent, decreasing by 0.67 percentage points (Table no.1).

Table no.1. Volume and average rate on credits granted by banks in national currency

	February 2012		January 2013		February 2013	
	Amount (million, lei)	Average rate (%)	Amount (million, lei)	Average rate (%)	Amount (million, lei)	Average rate (%)
<i>Up to 1 month</i>	219.00	15.13	5.03	22.17	59.16	12.43
<i>From 1 month to 3 months</i>	19.33	15.96	5.38	13.91	21.19	15.46
<i>From 3 months to 6 months</i>	65.42	14.57	17.93	14.08	16.52	12.15
<i>From 6 months to 12 months</i>	191.04	14.83	122.22	12.76	120.04	13.36
<i>Over 12 months</i>	793.91	13.23	665.10	12.22	766.72	13.23
Total amount	1288.71		815.66		983.63	
Average rate on banking system		13.90		12.41		13.23

As compared to January 2013, the volume of new granted credits in national currency increased by MDL 168.0 million or by 20.6 percent while the average weighted interest rate on granted credits increased by 0.82 percentage points.

The credits granted with terms over 12 months continued to be the most attractive, their share being of 78.0 percent of the total volume of credits in national currency in February 2013, being extended at an average interest rate of 13.23 percent (increasing by 1.01 percentage points as compared to the previous month). These are followed by the credits granted with terms from 6 to 12 months (with a share of 12.2 percent), granted at an average rate of 13.36 percent, increasing by 0.60 percentage points as compared to the previous month.

¹ Including the new interest-bearing credits granted in national currency by the banking system



The credits granted to legal entities held the largest share in the new granted credits in national currency, which represents 69.5 percent of total credits in MDL and were granted at an average rate of 12.55 percent, while the average rate on credits granted to individuals amounted to 14.79 percent.

In February 2013, the volume of *new granted credits in foreign currency*² (expressed in MDL) decreased by MDL 284.9 million or by 28.4 percent as compared to the same period of the previous year, accounting to MDL 717.4 million. The average weighted interest rate on credits granted during the reporting period constituted 8.13 percent, decreasing by 1.73 percentage points.

Table no. 2. Volume and average interest rate on credits granted by banks in foreign currency

	February 2012		January 2013		February 2013	
	Amount (million, lei)	Average rate (%)	Amount (million, lei)	Average rate (%)	Amount (million, lei)	Average rate (%)
<i>Up to 1 month</i>	443.04	12.00	8.24	9.45	0.40	15.20
<i>From 1 month to 3 months</i>	14.17	9.34	4.94	8.97	41.03	11.43
<i>From 3 months to 6 months</i>	8.49	8.82	1.08	8.53	3.38	8.05
<i>From 6 months to 12 months</i>	54.48	8.04	76.97	7.40	95.44	7.58
<i>Over 12 months</i>	482.16	8.13	472.71	7.48	577.19	7.98
Total amount	1002.34		563.94		717.44	
Average rate on banking system		9.86		7.52		8.13

The volume of credits granted in foreign currency increased by MDL 153.5 million or by 27.2 percent as compared to the previous month, being mainly represented by the credits granted to legal entities with an average rate of 8.14 percent, holding a share of 96.6 percent of total credits in foreign currency.

The evolution of the average rate on new granted credits in foreign currency recorded an upward tendency, increasing by 0.61 percentage points as compared to January 2013, up to the level of 8.13 percent in February 2013. The credits in foreign currency with the maturity of over 12 months were the most attractive, being granted at an average rate of 7.98 percent.

In February 2013, the volume of *new term deposits in national currency*³ decreased by MDL 358.6 million or by 17.2 percent as compared to the same period of the previous year, amounting to MDL 1727.1 million (Table no.3).

² Including the new interest-bearing credits granted in foreign currency by the banking system

³ Including the new interest-bearing term deposits granted in national currency by the banking system



Table no. 3. Volume and average rate on term deposits in national currency

	February 2012		January 2013		February 2013	
	Amount (million, lei)	Average rate (%)	Amount (million, lei)	Average rate (%)	Amount (million, lei)	Average rate (%)
<i>Up to 1 month</i>	146.59	2.72	52.71	6.42	68.35	5.86
<i>From 1 month to 3 months</i>	373.08	6.55	174.44	3.03	40.88	2.30
<i>From 3 months to 6 months</i>	757.03	6.87	400.85	8.54	370.53	8.11
<i>From 6 months to 12 months</i>	574.24	10.49	927.34	8.67	840.94	8.29
<i>Over 12 months</i>	234.77	11.51	432.62	10.77	406.38	10.60
Total amount	2085.71		1987.96		1727.08	
Average rate on banking system		8.04		8.55		8.56

As compared to January 2013, the volume of term deposits in national currency decreased by MDL 260.9 million (13.1 percent). The average interest rate on term deposits in national currency attracted during the reporting period has not changed significantly, increased by 0.01 percentage points and constituting 8.56 percent.

The deposits with the terms from 6 to 12 months held the largest share (48.7 percent) of total term deposits attracted in national currency, which were attracted at an average interest rate of 8.29 percent. The deposits with the maturity over 12 months held a share of 23.5 percent in total term deposits attracted in national currency, which were attracted at an average interest rate of 10.60 percent.

Term deposits in national currency attracted from individuals constituted 74.6 percent during the reporting period of total term deposits attracted in national currency, increasing by 3.0 percentage points as compared to the previous month. The average weighted interest rate of term deposits in national currency attracted from individuals constituted 9.71 percent.

The *volume of term deposits in foreign currency*⁴ (expressed in MDL) decreased by MDL 110.3 million in February 2013, or by 8.5 percent as compared to the same period of the previous year, constituting MDL 1181.8 million.

The average weighted rate of new term deposits in foreign currency (expressed in MDL) constituted 4.41 percent during the reporting period (Table no.4).

⁴ Including the new interest-bearing term deposits granted in foreign currency by the banking system



Table no. 4. Volume and average rate of term deposits in foreign currency

	February 2012		January 2013		February 2013	
	Amount (million, lei)	Average rate (%)	Amount (million, lei)	Average rate (%)	Amount (million, lei)	Average rate (%)
<i>Up to 1 month</i>	37.94	2.00	52.56	2.07	49.73	1.45
<i>From 1 month to 3 months</i>	195.54	3.05	60.73	1.36	42.45	0.95
<i>From 3 months to 6 months</i>	446.11	4.09	361.43	4.50	344.04	4.17
<i>From 6 months to 12 months</i>	461.28	4.63	669.37	4.87	560.56	4.74
<i>Over 12 months</i>	151.12	5.27	301.37	6.14	184.97	5.45
Total amount	1292.00		1445.46		1181.75	
Average rate on banking system		4.20		4.79		4.41

As compared to January 2013, the volume of term deposits in foreign currency decreased by MDL 263.7 million lei (18.2 percent) and the average interest rate of term deposits decreased by 0.38 percentage points.

Term deposits with terms from 6 to 12 months held the largest share (47.4 percent) of total term deposits in foreign currency, which were attracted at an average interest rate of 4.74 percent, decreasing by 0.13 percentage points as compared to the previous month.

Banking margin on operations in national currency was 4.67 percentage points in February 2013, increasing by 0.81 percentage points as compared to the previous month.

Banking margin on operations in foreign currency amounted to 3.72 percentage points in the analyzed month, increasing by 0.99 percentage points as compared to January 2013.