

EXTERNAL DEBT OF THE REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA AS OF MARCH 31, 2009

The gross external debt of the Republic of Moldova totalled US\$ 4011.77 million, decreasing by US\$ 113.02 million versus the end of 2008 (table 1).

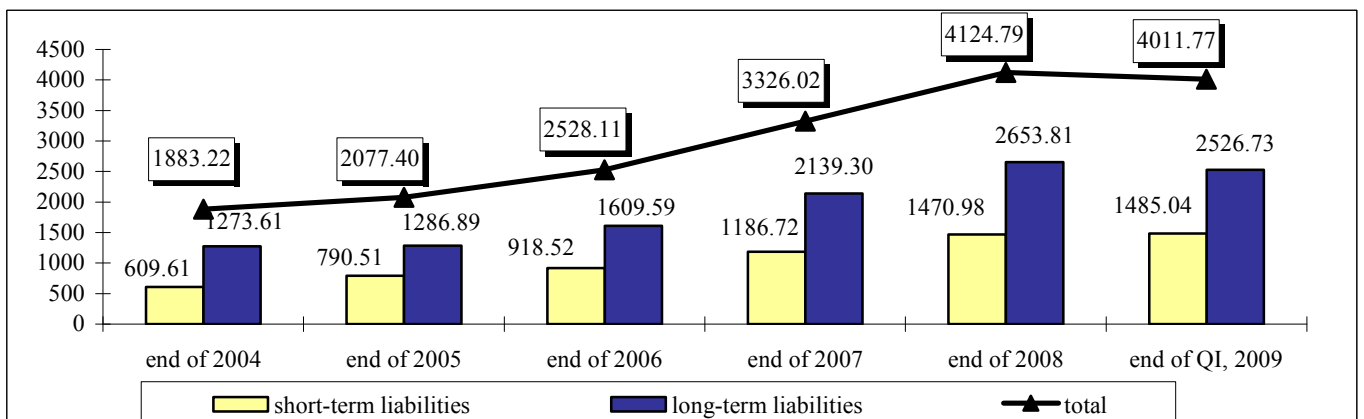
Table 1. *Gross External Debt by Sector (US\$ million)*

	End of 2004	End of 2005	End of 2006	End of 2007	End of 2008	End of Q I 2009
General Government	699.42	657.60	718.23	765.80	778.30	755.58
<i>Short-term</i>	20.86	36.25	0.13			
Other debt liabilities*	20.86	36.25	0.13			
Arrears	20.86	36.25	0.13			
<i>Long-term</i>	678.56	621.35	718.10	765.80	778.30	755.58
Bonds and notes	31.76	25.40	19.04	12.69	6.35	6.47
Loans	646.80	595.95	699.06	753.11	771.95	749.11
Monetary authorities	125.94	95.44	140.96	159.36	166.97	154.88
<i>Long-term</i>	125.94	95.44	140.96	159.36	166.97	154.88
Loans	125.94	95.44	140.96	159.36	166.97	154.88
Banks	74.37	86.71	150.77	373.45	581.06	517.05
<i>Short-term</i>	41.55	50.95	106.78	207.24	273.05	255.38
Loans	2.00			18.45	46.70	42.89
Currency and deposits	39.55	50.95	106.78	178.49	226.35	210.28
Other debt liabilities*				10.30		2.21
<i>Long-term</i>	32.82	35.76	43.99	166.21	308.01	261.67
Loans	32.82	35.76	43.99	166.21	308.01	261.67
Other Sectors	774.60	955.89	1134.45	1470.82	1866.91	1869.79
<i>Short-term</i>	523.77	685.88	789.14	949.32	1155.51	1181.84
Loans	0.13	1.39	8.60	11.07	25.61	18.11
Trade credits	175.02	338.64	387.41	501.73	628.13	602.50
Other debt liabilities*	348.62	345.85	393.13	436.52	501.77	561.23
Arrears	52.96	52.72	68.84	89.80	137.82	149.53
Other	295.66	293.13	324.29	346.72	363.95	411.70
of which debt for energy resources	287.06	288.58	319.74	345.10	362.33	410.08
<i>Long-term</i>	250.83	270.01	345.31	521.50	711.40	687.95
Loans	250.83	270.01	345.31	521.50	711.40	687.95
Direct Investment: Intercompany lending	208.89	281.76	383.70	556.59	731.55	714.47
Debt liabilities to direct investors	208.89	281.76	383.70	556.59	731.55	714.47
Arrears*	23.43	17.43	22.47	30.16	42.42	47.82
Other	185.46	264.33	361.23	526.43	689.13	666.65
TOTAL	1883.22	2077.40	2528.11	3326.02	4124.79	4011.77

*corresponds to other liabilities in the net international investment position

Note: data for 2008 were revised

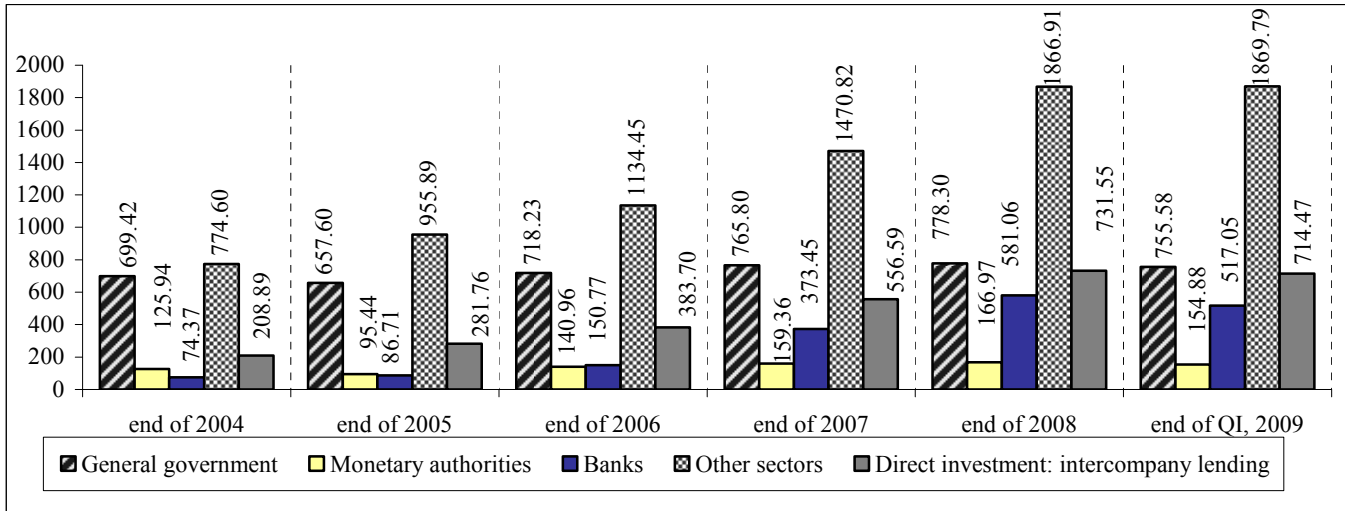
Chart 1. *Gross External Debt by Maturities (US\$ million)*



Short-term external liabilities amounted to US\$ 1485.04 million or to 37.0% of total, increasing only by 1% during the first quarter of 2009, while long-term liabilities decreased by 4.8% (chart 1).

The economic agents of other sectors continued to hold the largest share in the foreign liabilities within the structure of the external debt by sectors (46.6%). The external debt of the banking sector, which constituted 12.9% of total, registered a decrease of US\$ 64.01 million (chart 2).

Chart 2. Structure of External Debt by Sector (US\$ million)



At the end of Quarter I, 2009 the stock of public and publicly guaranteed external debt amounted to US\$ 921.62 million, while the non-guaranteed private external debt constituted US\$ 3090.15 million and held 77.0% of the total external liabilities, decreasing by 3.7% and 2.4%, respectively (table 2).

Table 2. External Public and Publicly Guaranteed Debt and Non-guaranteed Private Sector Debt (US\$ million)

	End of 2004	End of 2005	End of 2006	End of 2007	End of 2008	End of Q I 2009
Public and Publicly Guaranteed Debt	879.75	773.73	876.38	943.99	957.41	921.62
<i>Short-term</i>	<i>30.48</i>	<i>36.25</i>	<i>0.13</i>	<i>0.04</i>	<i>0.12</i>	<i>0.12</i>
Other debt liabilities*	30.48	36.25	0.13	0.04	0.12	0.12
Arrears (on principal and interest)	30.48	36.25	0.13	0.04	0.12	0.12
of which: debt of public corporations **				0.04	0.12	0.12
<i>Long-term</i>	<i>841.17</i>	<i>737.48</i>	<i>876.25</i>	<i>943.95</i>	<i>957.29</i>	<i>921.50</i>
Bonds and notes	31.76	25.40	19.04	12.69	6.35	6.47
Loans	809.41	712.08	857.21	931.26	950.94	915.03
of which: debt of public corporations **				5.29	1.09	0.60
<i>Direct Investment: Intercompany lending</i>	<i>8.10</i>					
Debt liabilities to direct investors	8.10					
Arrears	8.10					
Non-guaranteed Private Debt	1003.47	1303.67	1651.73	2382.03	3167.38	3090.15
<i>Short-term</i>	<i>555.70</i>	<i>736.83</i>	<i>895.92</i>	<i>1156.51</i>	<i>1428.43</i>	<i>1437.10</i>
Loans	2.13	1.39	8.60	29.52	72.31	61.00
Currency and deposits	39.55	50.95	106.78	178.49	226.35	210.28
Trade credits	175.02	338.64	387.41	501.73	628.13	602.50
Other debt liabilities *	339.00	345.85	393.13	446.77	501.64	563.32
Arrears (on principal and interest)	43.34	52.72	68.84	89.75	137.69	149.41
Other	295.66	293.13	324.29	357.02	363.95	413.91
<i>Long-term</i>	<i>246.98</i>	<i>285.08</i>	<i>372.11</i>	<i>668.93</i>	<i>1007.40</i>	<i>938.58</i>
Loans	246.98	285.08	372.11	668.93	1007.40	938.58

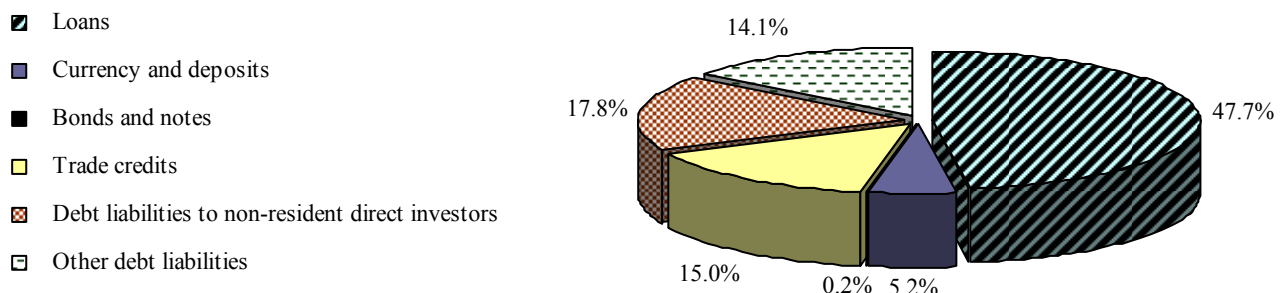
	End of 2004	End of 2005	End of 2006	End of 2007	End of 2008	End of Q I 2009
Direct investment: Intercompany lending	200.79	281.76	383.70	556.59	731.55	714.47
Debt liabilities to direct investors	200.79	281.76	383.70	556.59	731.55	714.47
Arrears*	15.33	17.43	22.47	30.16	42.42	47.82
Other	185.46	264.33	361.23	526.43	689.13	666.65
Total	1883.22	2077.40	2528.11	3326.02	4124.79	4011.77

*corresponds to other liabilities in the net international investment position

**reclassification: until September, 2007 were included in the private non-guaranteed debt

Loans continued to hold the largest share of external liabilities – 47.7% (chart 3).

Chart 3. *Structure of External Debt by Type of Liability*



The external liabilities in the form of loans and debt securities had the following structure by sector: private debt – 67.3% and public debt – 32.7% (table 3).

Table 3. *External Debt in the Form of Loans and Debt Securities* by Sector*

(US\$ million)

	End of 2004	End of 2005	End of 2006	End of 2007	End of 2008	End of Q I 2009
Monetary authorities	125.94	95.44	140.96	159.36	166.97	154.88
Loans (from the IMF)	125.94	95.44	140.96	159.36	166.97	154.88
Direct governmental debt	671.22	633.90	698.40	747.22	762.77	741.48
Loans	621.28	575.43	679.36	734.53	756.42	735.01
Arrears on loans	18.18	33.07				
Debt securities	31.76	25.40	19.04	12.69	6.35	6.47
Publicly guaranteed assumed debt **	28.20	23.69	19.83	18.58	15.53	14.10
Other sectors	28.20	23.69	19.83	18.58	15.53	14.10
Loans	25.52	20.51	19.70	18.58	15.53	14.10
Arrears on loans	2.68	3.18	0.13			
Debt of public corporations				5.33	1.21	0.72
Banks				0.59		
Loans				0.59		
Other sectors				4.74	1.21	0.72
Loans				4.70	1.09	0.60
Arrears on loans				0.04	0.12	0.12
Private debt guaranteed by the government ***	54.39	20.70	17.19	13.50	10.93	10.44
Other sectors	54.39	20.70	17.19	13.50	10.93	10.44
Loans	36.67	20.70	17.19	13.50	10.93	10.44
Arrears on loans	17.72					
Private debt non-guaranteed by the government	493.24	620.95	833.25	1344.79	1948.95	1863.46
Banks	34.82	35.76	43.99	184.07	354.71	304.56
Loans	34.82	35.76	43.99	184.07	354.71	304.56
Other sectors	458.42	585.19	789.26	1160.72	1594.24	1558.90
Loans	399.75	515.03	697.95	1040.80	1414.12	1361.68
Arrears on loans	58.67	70.16	91.31	119.92	180.12	197.22
TOTAL	1372.99	1394.68	1709.63	2288.78	2906.36	2785.08

* including arrears on principal and interest

**loans under the guarantee of the government serviced by the government

*** loans under the guarantee of the government serviced by private economic agents

Within the structure of external debt in the form of loans and debt securities by creditor (table 4), international organizations constituted 28.5% of total. The debt from other creditors decreased by 4.4%, holding the largest share – 61.7% – of total.

Table 4. *External Debt in the Form of Loans and Debt Securities* by Creditor*

(US\$ million)

	End of 2004	End of 2005	End of 2006	End of 2007	End of 2008	End of Q I 2009
Monetary authorities	125.94	95.44	140.96	159.36	166.97	154.88
IMF	125.94	95.44	140.96	159.36	166.97	154.88
Direct governmental debt	671.22	633.90	698.40	747.22	762.77	741.48
<i>Multilateral creditors</i>	<i>413.27</i>	<i>387.78</i>	<i>412.65</i>	<i>461.65</i>	<i>480.25</i>	<i>469.65</i>
IBRD and IDA	385.76	370.57	393.37	434.49	436.40	424.25
EBRD	6.35	5.38	4.41	3.44	2.47	1.98
EU	13.61	3.55				
IFAD	7.55	8.28	12.24	19.31	31.65	31.04
CEB			2.63	4.41	8.79	8.17
EIB					0.94	4.21
<i>Bilateral creditors</i>	<i>226.19</i>	<i>220.72</i>	<i>266.71</i>	<i>272.88</i>	<i>276.17</i>	<i>265.36</i>
USA	58.10	58.10	56.99	56.74	56.41	56.41
Japan	27.31	24.06	22.26	22.51	26.89	25.09
Russia	98.30	98.30	137.31	135.84	133.51	127.41
other	42.48	40.26	50.15	57.79	59.36	56.45
<i>Debt securities</i>	<i>31.76</i>	<i>25.40</i>	<i>19.04</i>	<i>12.69</i>	<i>6.35</i>	<i>6.47</i>
Private debt guaranteed by the government**	28.20	23.69	19.83	18.58	15.53	14.10
<i>Multilateral creditors</i>	<i>0.31</i>	<i>0.19</i>	<i>0.13</i>			
EBRD	0.31	0.19	0.13			
<i>Other creditors</i>	<i>27.89</i>	<i>23.50</i>	<i>19.70</i>	<i>18.58</i>	<i>15.53</i>	<i>14.10</i>
Debt of public corporations				5.33	1.21	0.72
<i>Multilateral creditors</i>					<i>0.36</i>	<i>0.34</i>
EBRD					0.36	0.34
<i>Other creditors</i>				<i>5.33</i>	<i>0.85</i>	<i>0.38</i>
Publicly guaranteed private debt***	54.39	20.70	17.19	13.50	10.93	10.44
<i>Multilateral creditors</i>	<i>54.39</i>	<i>20.70</i>	<i>17.19</i>	<i>13.50</i>	<i>10.93</i>	<i>10.44</i>
EBRD	54.39	20.70	17.19	13.50	10.93	10.44
Private debt non-guaranteed by the government	493.24	620.95	833.25	1344.79	1948.95	1863.46
<i>Multilateral creditors</i>	<i>91.17</i>	<i>82.25</i>	<i>79.63</i>	<i>100.02</i>	<i>166.32</i>	<i>158.30</i>
<i>Other creditors</i>	<i>402.07</i>	<i>538.70</i>	<i>753.62</i>	<i>1244.77</i>	<i>1782.63</i>	<i>1705.16</i>
TOTAL	1372.99	1394.68	1709.63	2288.78	2906.36	2785.08

* including arrears on principal and interest

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Table 5. *External Loans and Debt Securities (additional details)* (US\$ million)*

	Stock at the end of 2008	Drawings	Principal repayments	Accumulation of interest arrears (net)	Other adjustments	Exchange rate changes	Stock at the end of Q I 2009
IMF loans	166.97		-5.85			-6.24	154.88
Direct governmental debt	762.77	11.98	-13.18		0.12	-20.21	741.48
<i>multilateral creditors</i>	<i>480.25</i>	<i>11.98</i>	<i>-7.08</i>			<i>-15.50</i>	<i>469.65</i>
<i>bilateral creditors</i>	<i>276.17</i>		<i>-6.10</i>			<i>-4.71</i>	<i>265.36</i>
<i>long-term governmental bonds</i>	<i>6.35</i>				<i>0.12</i>		<i>6.47</i>
Publicly guaranteed assumed debt	15.53		-0.33			-1.10	14.10
<i>other creditors</i>	<i>15.53</i>		<i>-0.33</i>			<i>-1.10</i>	<i>14.10</i>
Debt guaranteed by the government	10.93		-0.44			-0.05	10.44
<i>multilateral creditors</i>	<i>10.93</i>		<i>-0.44</i>			<i>-0.05</i>	<i>10.44</i>
Debt non-guaranteed by the government	1950.16	72.02	-121.47	4.46		-40.99	1864.18
<i>multilateral creditors</i>	<i>166.68</i>	<i>3.83</i>	<i>-4.27</i>	<i>0.12</i>		<i>-7.72</i>	<i>158.64</i>
<i>other creditors</i>	<i>1783.48</i>	<i>68.19</i>	<i>-117.20</i>	<i>4.34</i>		<i>-33.27</i>	<i>1705.54</i>
TOTAL	2906.36	84.00	-141.27	4.46	0.12	-68.59	2785.08

* including arrears on principal and on interest

Thus, at the end of Quarter I, 2009 the external debt in the form of loans and debt securities amounted to US\$ 2785.08 million, decreasing by US\$ 121.28 million. This was due to new drawings in the amount of US\$ 84.00 million (of which US\$ 15.81 million from international organizations), effective reimbursements of principal – US\$141.27 million, accumulation of interest arrears – US\$ 4.46 million and to the depreciation of original currencies against the US dollar – US\$ 68.59 million (table 5).

The indices of external indebtedness of Moldova are shown in table 6.

Table 6. *Indices of External Indebtedness*

	UM	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	Q I 2009
External debt at year end	US\$ mil.	1883.22	2077.40	2528.11	3326.02	4124.79	4011.77
Exports of goods and services	US\$ mil.	1326.15	1503.52	1547.31	2018.18	2490.59	435.40
External debt in the form of loans and debt securities	US\$ mil.	1372.99	1394.68	1709.63	2288.78	2906.36	2785.08
Public external debt service* (scheduled)	US\$ mil.	111.48	99.65	123.76	92.69 [#]	91.33 [#]	27.26 [#]
Public external debt service* (effective)	US\$ mil.	136.26	87.36	98.16	92.75 [#]	91.25 [#]	27.26 [#]
Governmental external debt service**(effective)	US\$ mil.	103.53	52.41	66.45	53.16	54.89	20.36
Public external debt service* (scheduled)/exports of goods and services	%	8.4	6.6	8.0	4.6	3.7	6.3
Public external debt service* (effective)/ exports of goods and services	%	10.3	5.8	6.3	4.6	3.7	6.3

* including service of loans guaranteed by the government;

** including payments by the government on guaranteed loans;

including the service of loans of public corporations since 9.09.2007