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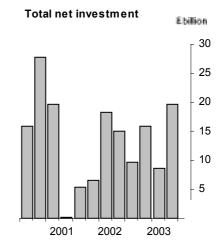
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Investment by insurance companies, pension funds and trusts 3rd Quarter 2003

Total net investment by institutions was £19.6 billion in the third quarter of 2003, £11.0 billion higher than the second quarter. There were increases in net investment in shortterm assets, British government sterling securities, UK company securities and other assets.

Net investment in British government sterling securities was £9.0 billion in the third quarter compared to £4.8

billion in the second quarter whilst net



investment in short-term assets, UK company securities and other assets rose by $\pounds 2.5$ billion, $\pounds 1.1$ billion and $\pounds 3.5$ billion respectively. These increases were partly offset by a fall of $\pounds 0.3$ billion in net investment in overseas securities.

Revisions to series for 2002 have been caused by incorporating the results of the 2002 annual insurance and pension funds inquiries.

		Short- term assets	British government sterling securities	UK company securities	Overseas securities	Other assets	Tota
Not sea	asonally a	adjusted: £ l	billion				
2001		-6.2	-5.6	28.8	30.2	5.8	52.9
2002r		-7.4	5.9	18.4	27.8	4.8	49.
2002	Q1r	-6.9	1.4	2.3	9.3	0.4	6.9
2002	Q2r	1.4	2.6	7.0	8.5	-1.2	18.3
2002	Q3r	3.2	-1.8	5.6	4.4	3.6	15.0
2002	Q4r	-5.1	3.7	3.5	5.5	2.0	9.1
2003	Q1r	5.1	2.4	5.3	0.2	2.9	15.9
2003	Q2r	-4.3	4.8	6.3	2.2	-0.3	8.
2003	Q3p	-1.8	9.0	7.4	1.9	3.2	19.

1 Figures include Pension Fund survey data which are of lower quality than equivalent data from other institutional groups because of difficulties in constructing a suitable sampling frame of pension funds.
r = revised p = provisional

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Holdings at market value (Table A)

At the end of 2002, institutions' total identified assets were valued at £1652.5 billion compared with £1838.3 billion at the end of 2001; this represents a decrease of 10.1 per cent.

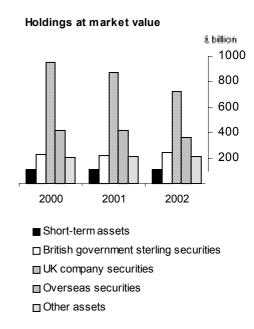
Holdings of short-term assets, UK company securities and overseas securities decreased by £2.6 billion, £146.7 billion and £55.9 billion respectively between 2001 and 2002. In percentage terms, these represent decreases of 2.4 per cent, 16.8 per cent and 13.3 per cent. The £146.7 billion fall in UK company securities reflects a fall in holdings of ordinary shares of £186.0 billion which, in turn, reflects the change in share prices over the year.

Holdings of British government sterling securities and other assets increased by £18.0 billion and £1.4 billion between 2001 and 2002. These represent increases of 8.1 per cent and 0.7 per cent.

Changes in holdings across the year will not equate to net investment due to revaluation effects.

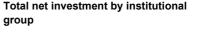
Holdings	Holdings at market value ¹										
	Short – term assets	British government sterling securities	UK company securities	Overseas securities	Other assets	Total					
£ billion											
2000	113.7	229.3	954.9	415.2	206.6	1919.6					
2001	110.8	223.7	871.9	420.3	211.6	1838.3					
2002	108.1	241.7	725.2	364.5	213.0	1652.5					

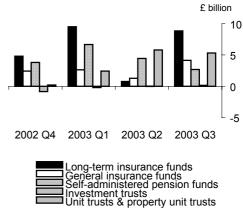
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Total net investment by institutional group (Table B)

In the third quarter of 2003 net investment by long-term insurance funds was £8.9 billion, £8.1 billion higher than in the second quarter. General insurance funds' net investment increased by £2.9 billion to £4.1 billion in the third quarter whilst net investment by self-administered pension funds decreased by £1.8 billion to £2.7 billion. Investment trusts' net investment rose by £0.2 billion while net investment by unit trusts and property unit trusts decreased by £0.5 billion from £5.8 billion in the second quarter to £5.3 billion in the third quarter of 2003.





Total net investment by institutional group											
	Long-				Unit	_					
	term	General	Self-	laveet	trusts &	Consol					
	insur- ance	insur- ance	pension	ment	property unit	-idation adjust					
	funds	funds	funds ¹	trusts	trusts	-ment ²	Total ¹				
Not season	Not seasonally adjusted: £ billion										
2001	35.8	7.9	-2.0	0.4	11.8	-0.9	52.9				
2002r	35.0	2.9	4.6	-1.9	15.5	-6.4	49.5				
2002 Q1r	1.9	3.4	-	-0.4	3.8	-2.2	6.5				
2002 Q2r	12.7	-2.5	1.8	-0.4	8.0	-1.2	18.3				
2002 Q3r	15.5	-0.4	-1.0	-0.2	3.5	-2.4	15.0				
2002 Q4r	4.8	2.4	3.8	-0.8	0.2	-0.7	9.7				
2003 Q1r	9.5	2.6	6.7	-0.2	2.4	-5.1	15.9				
2003 Q2r	0.8	1.3	4.5	-	5.8	-3.6	8.7				
2003 Q3p	8.9	4.1	2.7	0.1	5.3	-1.5	19.6				

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2 An adjustment to remove inter-sectoral flows between the different types of institution covered by this First Release. The adjustment includes (i) investment in authorised unit trust units and investment trust shares by insurance companies, pension funds and trusts and (ii) investment by pension funds in insurance managed funds.

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Total net investment of institutional groups by asset type (Table C)

Total net investment by institutions in quarter three 2003 was £19.6 billion, an increase of £11.0 billion on quarter two. This reflected rises of £8.1 billion, £2.9 billion and £0.2 billion in net investment by long-term insurance funds, general insurance funds and investment trusts respectively. These increases were partly offset by falls of £1.8 billion and £0.5 billion in self-administered pension funds' and unit trusts' and property unit trusts' net investment.

There was total net disinvestment in short-term assets of £1.8 billion in the third quarter compared to net disinvestment of £4.3 billion in the second quarter. The rise of £2.5 billion reflected increases in net investment by long-term insurance funds, general insurance funds and unit trusts and property unit trusts of £1.9 billion, £0.8 billion and £0.2 billion respectively. These were partly offset by falls of £0.1 billion and £0.3 billion in self-administered pension funds' and investment trusts' net investment.

There was net investment in British government sterling securities of $\pounds 9.0$ billion, an increase of $\pounds 4.2$ billion on the previous quarter. This increase was reflected across all types of institution with the exception of general insurance funds whose net investment fell by $\pounds 0.5$ billion.

Investment in UK company securities was £7.4 billion in the third quarter, a rise of £1.1 billion on the previous quarter. The most notable increase occurred in long-term insurance funds, where a rise of £5.5 billion was recorded. However, this rise was partly offset by a fall of £4.5 billion in self-administered pension funds' net investment.

There was net investment of \pounds 1.9 billion in overseas securities, a decrease of \pounds 0.3 billion on the previous quarter. This reflected decreases of \pounds 0.1 billion, \pounds 0.1 billion and \pounds 0.8 billion in net investment by long-term insurance funds, investment trusts and unit trusts and property unit trusts respectively. These decreases were almost entirely offset by a rise of \pounds 0.7 billion in general insurance funds' net investment.

The residual category, other assets, showed net investment of \pounds 3.2 billion in the third quarter, compared to net disinvestment of \pounds 0.3 billion in the previous quarter. The most notable increase occurred in general insurance funds, increasing by \pounds 1.4 billion over the period.



REVISIONS

Revisions to the series for 2002 have been caused by incorporating the results of the 2002 annual insurance and pension funds inquiries. As part of the processing of these results, discrepancies in the returns of individual contributors are identified and corrected.

Total net investment in 2002 has been revised down to £49.5 billion from £52.3 billion published last quarter. The major revision is in net investment by general insurance funds, falling from £11.3 billion to £2.9 billion. This was partly offset by a rise in net investment by long-term insurance funds, from £30.0 billion to £35.0 billion.

Figures for the first two quarters of 2003 have also been revised, partly as a result of late questionnaires being received and partly as a result of disaggregate data revisions resulting from the annual inquiry processing. Net investment in the first quarter of 2003 has been revised from £18.1 billion to £15.9 billion and in the second quarter from £11.1 billion to £8.7 billion.

BACKGROUND NOTES

- 1. To coincide with this First Release, the latest progress report on the Pension Statistics Review and a table containing revised data on gross pension inflows are also being released on the website http://www.statistics.gov.uk/about/Methodology by theme/pensions review .asp
- 2. The First Release brings together information on the investments made by institutions whose primary business is the investment of funds in the financial markets. It draws on data compiled from a series of quarterly and annual sample surveys.
- 3. The consolidation adjustment is an adjustment to remove inter-sectoral flows between the different types of institution covered by this First Release. It has been calculated by identifying and calculating totals for net investment in mutual funds such as authorised unit trust units, investment trust shares and insurance managed funds by insurance companies, pension funds and trusts. In terms of asset types, the take-up of authorised unit trust units by institutions and the investment in insurance managed funds by pension funds have been removed from the "other assets" category where they were previously included; the take-up of investment trust shares by institutions has been removed from the "UK ordinary shares" category. These adjustments have been included for all periods.
- 4. Equitas, the reinsurance company established to reinsure the 1992 and prior liabilities of Lloyds names began trading in the third quarter of 1996 and is included in the estimates for general insurance funds from that period.
- 5. The definition of investment trusts used in this publication excludes the 3i Group plc. Although 3i is listed as an investment trust following its flotation, it is still classified as part of the banking sector for the purposes of the UK National Accounts.



6. Figures marked † indicate that the data have been revised since the last edition; the period marked is the earliest in the table to have been revised.

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- 7. More detailed information on net investment by insurance companies, pension funds, investment, unit and property unit trusts appears in *Business Monitor MQ5*. This will be available from the National Statistics website <u>http://www.statistics.gov.uk/products/p502.asp</u> in the week beginning 12 January 2004. Investment statistics are also published in Chapter 5 of the Financial Statistics publication.
- The information contained in this bulletin together with the full detailed data set is also available from the same date as the First Release on the National Statistics Time Series Data service, which provides macroeconomic time series data on high-density floppy disk and the Internet. For details of this service contact On-line production, Office for National Statistics, Room B1/12, 1 Drummond Gate, London SW1V 2QQ (tel: 020-7533 5675, fax: 020-7533 5688) or visit http://www.statistics.gov.uk/timeseries
- 9. Details of the policy governing the release of new data are available from the press office. Also available is a list of the names of those given prepublication access to the contents of this release.
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					Iden	tified assets					
				UK company se	ecurities	Overs	seas secur	ities			
	T-4-1		British			Company se	curities				
	Total identified assets	Short-term assets ²	government sterling securities	Ordinary shares	Other ³	Ordinary shares	Other ⁴	Government securities	UK loans and mortgages	Other assets ⁵	UK land, property and ground rents
Holdings	at end of ye	ar: market v	values								
2000 2001 2002	RLJP 1 919 619 1 838 259 1 652 463	RLJQ 113 663 110 783 108 141	RLJR 229 267 223 666 241 703	RLJT 805 949 704 251 518 256	RLJU 148 941 167 646 206 935	RLJX 337 183 324 895 264 134	RLJY 31 827 44 501 53 974	RLJZ 46 200 50 950 46 364	RLKA 10 185 10 272 10 487	RLKC 108 881 113 639 112 790	RLKD 87 523 87 656 89 679
Net inves	tment: cash	values									
2000 2001 2002	RLKE 69 464 52 893 49 548 [†]	RLKF 17 434 –6 249 –7 355 [†]	RLKG -11 343 -5 608 5 861 [†]	RLKH 13 708 –2 276 –8 567 [†]	RLKI 33 675 31 026 27 001 [†]	RLKJ -6 185 22 894 22 105 [†]	RLKK 10 602 13 599 6 698 ¹		RLKM -1 099 88 214 [†]	RLKO 6 184 3 459 3 668	
2001 Q4	5 358	-6 090	8 639	-9 987	10 517	4 580	2 349	-4 917	147	54	66
2002 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 2003 Q1	6 481 [†] 18 338 15 026 9 703 15 891	1 403 3 229 -5 073 5 050	2 607 -1 835 3 735 2 438	-3 996 [†] 935 -2 734 -2 772 529	6 306 [†] 6 084 8 326 6 285 4 803	7 592 [†] 7 538 3 591 3 384 –918	1 373 ¹ 2 981 568 1 776 1 170	-1 986 258 359 -77	-75 -186 426 298	-484 2 289 1 361 2 020	665 1 520 222 578
Q2 Q3	8 658 19 649	-4 317 -1 829	4 783 9 012	-103 -450	6 404 7 819	3 406 843	1 477 1 409	-2 676 -361	309 18	-683 3 930	58 –742

			Identified lia		Residual				
	Total identified liabilities	Total monetary borrowing ⁶	Unit trust units	Other UK liabilities	Overseas liabilities	Capital issues ⁷	Net inflow to life assurance and pension funds	Other residual ⁸	Consolidation adjustment ⁹
Amounts out	standing: marke	t values							
2000 2001 2002	RLLR 287 635 271 114 233 980	RLKQ 15 369 14 667 12 189	RLKR 251 695 226 392 189 853	RLKT 9 561 19 088 19 459	RLKU 2 076 2 171 3 768	RLKS 8 934 8 796 8 711	RLKV 1 702 102 1 622 842 1 447 817	RLKW 115 204 113 325 122 853	-AMRL -185 322 -169 022 -152 187
Net transaction	ons: cash values	5							
2000 2001 2002	RLLS 19 937 19 953 6 998 [†]	RLKX 3 125 –702 –2 478 [†]	RLKY 15 456 9 274 5 804	RLLA 190 9 527 371 [†]	RLLB -1 237 96 1 596 [†]	RLKZ 2 403 1 758 1 705	RLLQ 51 073 31 497 39 069 [†]	RLLD 9 075 2 392 9 921 [†]	-AMRU -10 621 -949 -6 440 [†]
2001 Q4	5 857	902	1 275	2 537	564	579	80	-1 120	541
2002 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	-2 062 [†] 3 188 4 741 1 131	-313 [†] -773 149 -1 541	2 588 2 186 1 235 -205	–5 299 [†] 1 874 3 052 744	893 [†] –186 187 702	69 87 118 1 431	7 158 [†] 14 748 10 836 6 327	3 594 [†] 1 577 1 799 2 951	-2 209 [†] -1 175 -2 350 -706
2003 Q1 Q2 Q3	2 906 5 266 5 637	12 262 518	963 3 650 [†] 2 107	1 702 1 098 3 512	240 220 –495	-11 36 -5	14 953 3 977 8 861	3 162 3 012 6 630	-5 130 -3 597 -1 479

Sign convention : Liabilities increase + / decrease -

1 The sum of self-administered pension funds, long-term and general insurance funds, investment, unit and property unit trusts. Data from the Pension Funds surveys are of lower quality than equivalent data from other in-stitutional groups because of the difficulties in constructing a suitable sam-pling frame of pension funds for the surveys.

2 Including net balances with stockbrokers for pension funds and insurance companies.

3 Including UK debentures and preference shares.

4 Including overseas debentures and preference shares.

5 Including British government and government guaranteed securities denominated in foreign currency, UK local authority securities etc,

UK public corporation securities, local authority mutual investment trusts, overseas loans and mortgages, property unit trust units, other investments and changes in direct investment and balances of overseas branches. Including pension fund long-term borrowing for amounts outstanding.

6 7 Relates to investment trusts only

8 Including reserves and provisions of investment trusts and other than long-term insurance companies.

9 An adjustment to remove inter-sectoral flows between the different types of institution covered by this First Release. The adjustment includes (i) investment in authorised unit trusts and investment trust shares by insurance companies, pension funds and trusts and (ii) investment by pension funds in insurance managed funds.

Source: National Statistics

TOTAL NET INVESTMENT BY INSTITUTIONAL GROUP SUMMARY BALANCE SHEET AND NET INVESTMENT

				Institution	s		
	Total identified assets ³	Long-term insurance funds	General insurance funds	Self-administered pension funds ³	Investment trusts	Unit and property unit trusts ¹	Consolidation adjustment ²
Holdings at	end of year: market	values					
2000 2001 2002	RLJP 1 919 619 1 838 259 1 652 463	RLDW 947 052 924 975 852 821	RLDY 90 233 95 344 97 944	RLDP 768 443 713 554 610 540	CBGW 63 728 58 100 40 587	CBHR 235 485 215 308 202 758	-AMRL -185 322 -169 022 -152 187
Net investm	ent: cash values						
2000 2001 2002	RLKE 69 464 52 893 49 548 [†]	RCAA 42 989 35 779 34 950 [†]	RFUC 6 046 7 905 2 857 [†]	RZNI 8 808 –2 003 4 606 [†]	CBGB 688 392 –1 884	CBHY 21 554 11 769 15 459	-AMRU -10 621 -949 -6 440
2001 Q4	5 358	3 063	3 264	-666	538	-1 382	541
2002 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	6 481 [†] 18 338 15 026 9 703	1 876 [†] 12 713 15 549 4 812	3 375 [†] 2 520 431 2 433	28 [†] 1 765 –1 000 3 813	-382 -438 -217 -847	3 793 7 993 3 475 198	-2 209 -1 175 -2 350 -706
2003 Q1 Q2 Q3	15 891 8 658 19 649	9 515 757 8 854	2 619 1 270 4 143	6 672 4 453 2 677	-217 -25 [†] 140	2 432 [†] 5 800 5 314	-5 130 -3 597 -1 479

1 Including open ended investment companies (OEICs).

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TOTAL NET INVESTMENT OF INSTITUTIONAL GROUPS BY ASSET TYPE

	Identified assets			Institutions			
	Total identified assets ³	Long-term insurance funds	General insurance funds	Self-administered pension funds ³	Investment trusts	Unit trusts and property unit trusts ¹	Consolidation adjustment ²
SHORT-TER	M ASSETS						
2000 2001 2002	RLKF 17 434 –6 249 –7 355 [†]	RYFT 6 577 918 –5 733 [†]	RYLQ -1 696 3 492 5 407 [†]	RYKP 8 834 –9 244 –7 816 [†]	CBGC 974 352 231	RLHL 2 745 –1 767 556	
2002 Q3 Q4	3 229 [†] –5 073	4 937 [†] –2 083	1 037 [†] 1 538	-2 382 [†] -3 226	188 –264	-551 -1 038	
2003 Q1 Q2 Q3	5 050 -4 317 -1 829	3 518 –3 361 –1 497	1 506 1 273 2 032	-339 -2 153 -2 208	-296 ₊ -16 [†] -290	661 [†] –60 134	
BRITISH GO	VERNMENT STERLIN	G SECURITIES					
2000 2001 2002	RLKG -11 343 -5 608 5 861 [†]	AHPJ 8 154 6 410 ₁ 5 322 [†]	AHOJ 2 374 1 134 –651 [†]	AHQX -5 887 -14 223 52 [†]	RLLU 73 389 367	RLHM 251 682 771	
2002 Q3 Q4	–1 835 [†] 3 735	1 337 [†] 1 322	-875 [†] 878	-2 370 [†] 1 362	-120 -14	193 187	
2003 Q1 Q2 Q3	2 438 4 783 9 012	3 259 2 027 4 171	720 1 716 1 223	-1 804 903 2 996	27 -42 [†] 11	236 [†] 179 611	
UK COMPA	NY SECURITIES						
2000 2001 2002	AMQS 47 383 28 750 18 434 [†]	HLTM 38 182 14 996 ₁ 17 637 [†]	HLTS 3 976 2 342 580 [†]	GATO -3 337 4 491 -7 050 [†]	AMQX 58 302 –1 300	AMRA 7 000 6 867 8 020	-AMRK 1 504 –248 547 [†]
2002 Q3 Q4	5 592 [†] 3 513	4 039 [†] 2 012	247 [†] –68	-1 450 [†] 797	135 –494	2 517 1 173	104 [†] 93
2003 Q1 Q2 Q3	5 332 6 301 7 369	3 694 1 436 6 916	651 99 625	-52 1 367 -3 156	-232 -292† 293	1 264 [†] 3 626 3 190	7 65 –499
OVERSEAS	SECURITIES						
2000 2001 2002	AMQU 5 366 30 202 27 783 [†]	HLTN 903 11 651 ₁ 12 495 [†]	HLTT 163 –431 –1 001 [†]	GAMV -6 332 13 591 12 240 [†]	AMQY –358 –511 –1 384	AMRH 10 990 5 902 5 433	
2002 Q3 Q4	4 417 [†] 5 519	3 096 [†] 2 387	-1 303 [†] -365	2 017 [†] 3 952	584 100	1 191 –355	
2003 Q1 Q2 Q3	175 2 207 1 891	-1 000 -644 -718	-275 -188 482	1 679 821 875	122 306 [†] 161	-351 [†] 1 912 1 091	
ALL OTHER	ASSETS						
2000 2001 2002	AMQW 10 624 5 798 4 825 [†]	HLTO 5 481 1 804 ₁ 5 229 [†]	HLTU 1 229 1 368 ₁ –1 478 [†]	GALN 15 530 3 382 7 180 [†]	AMQZ -59 -140 202	AMRI 568 85 679	-AMTO -12 125 -701 -6 987 [†]
2002 Q3 Q4	3 623 [†] 2 009	2 140 [†] 1 174	463 [†] 450	3 185 [†] 928	164 25	125 231	-2 454 [†] -799
2003 Q1 Q2 Q3	2 896 -316 3 206	44 1 299 –18	17 –1 630 –219	7 188 3 515 4 170	162 19 –35	622 [†] 143 288	-5 137 -3 662 -980
	ITIFIED ASSETS						
2000 2001 2002	RLKE 69 464 52 893 49 548 [†]	RCAA 42 989 35 779 34 950 [†]	RFUC 6 046 7 905 2 857 [†]	RZNI 8 808 -2 003 4 606 [†]	CBGB 688 392 –1 884	CBHY 21 554 11 769 15 459	-AMRU –10 621 –949 –6 440†
2002 Q3 Q4	15 026 [†] 9 703	15 549 [†] 4 812	-431 [†] 2 433	-1 000 [†] 3 813	-217 -847	3 475 198	-2 350 [†] -706
2003 Q1 Q2 Q3	15 891 8 658 19 649	9 515 757 8 854	2 619 1 270 4 143	6 672 4 453 2 677	-217 -25 [†] 140	2 432 [†] 5 800 5 314	–5 130 –3 597 –1 479

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