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**Secondary
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Abbreviations

BGL – National Currency of the Republic of Bulgaria

BIR – Base Interest Rate

BNB – Bulgarian National Bank

CGB – Central Government Budget

CM – Council of Ministers

DISCs – Discount Bonds

FLIRBs – Front-loaded Interest Reduction Bonds

IABs – Interest Arrears Bonds

LSPDACB – Law on State Protection of Deposits and Accounts with Commercial Banks in respect whereof the BNB Has Petitioned the Institution of Bankruptcy Proceedings

MF – Ministry of Finance

ZUNK – Bulgarian Abbreviation of the Law on Settlement of Nonperforming Credits Negotiated prior to 31 December 1990 (LSNC)

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES INTERBANK MARKET

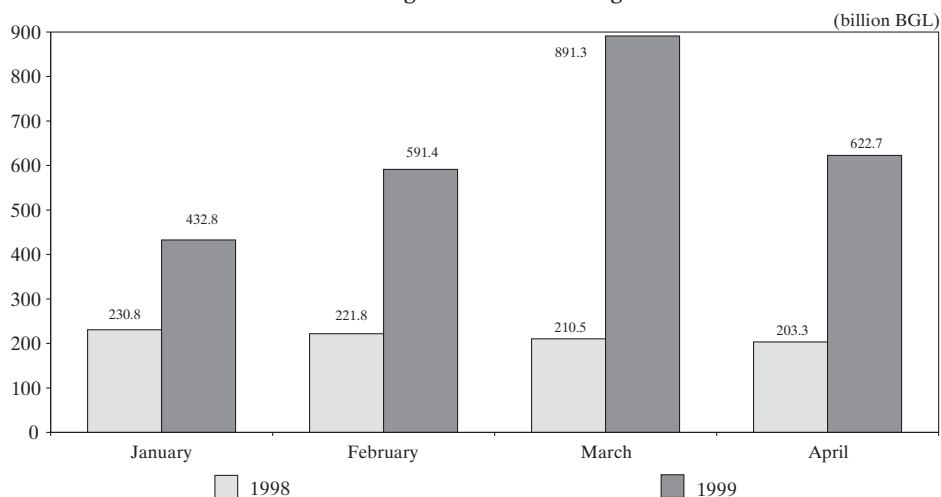
Interbank Market of Government Securities Issued under Regulation No. 5 of 1998 and Target Issues

In April 1999 financial institutions concluded 489 transactions in government securities (including the number and volume of reverse repurchase agreements) issued for budget deficit financing, totaling BGL 622,655 million nominal value, a three-times increase compared with the same period of the previous year. In April 1998 transactions of BGL 203,341.1 million nominal value were registered, Chart 1.

Over the period under review the volume of secondary market transactions in government securities between primary dealers issued under Regulation No. 5 of 1998 and target issues (reverse repo agreements volume excluded) totaled BGL 332,034.3 million, including three-month treasury bills of BGL 7,289.8 million, six-month of BGL 22,479 million, twelve-month of BGL 207,507.2 million, two-year of BGL 70,128.3 million and up to five years of BGL 24,630 million (Chart 2). In April sales in government securities decreased compared with the previous month; structurally, demand for

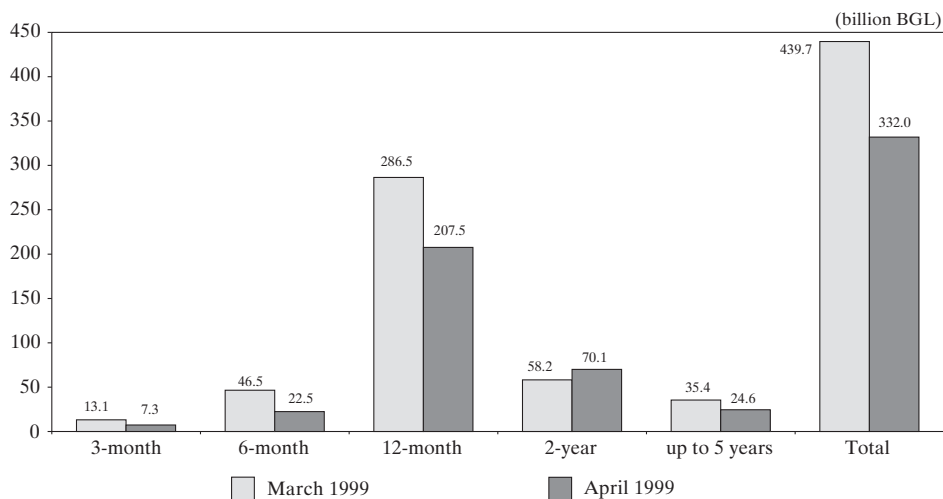
Chart 1

Volume of Transactions in Government Securities Issued for Budget Deficit Financing



Source: BNB.

Structure of Transactions in Government Securities Issued for Budget Deficit Financing



Source: BNB.

twelve-month treasury bills occupied the largest share.

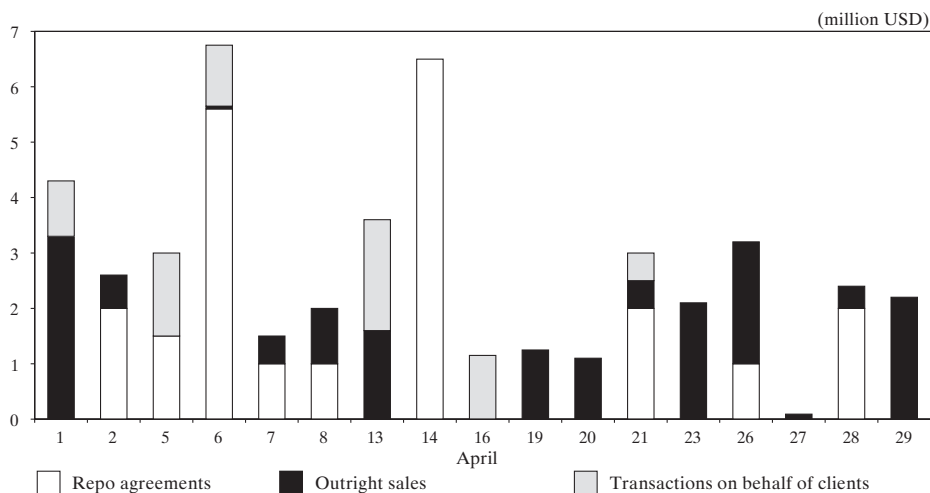
In April 1999 secondary market transactions on behalf of clients (i. e. under Article 20 of Regulation No. 5 of 1998) increased on the previous month (BGL 408 million). Transactions between nonprimary dealers and physical or legal persons (i. e. transactions under Article 21 of Regulation No. 5 of 1998) almost doubled compared with March, reaching BGL 2,405.7 million. The volume of transactions between primary and nonprimary dealers (under Article 14 of Regulation No. 5) insignificantly rose from March, reaching BGL 39,683 million, including bids approved at the government securities auctions on behalf of nonprimary dealers of BGL 7,961.4 million.

Interbank Market of Government Securities Issued as a Result of Structural Reform

In April financial institutions concluded 62 transactions in USD-denominated government securities issued as a result of structural reform, totaling USD 46.9 million nominal value (including the number and volume of reverse repurchase agreements). In April 36 outright transactions of USD 17 million, 17 repo agreements of USD 22.6 million, and 9 transactions on behalf of clients of USD 7.3 million (under Articles 14, 20 and 21 of Regulation No. 5) were concluded. Twelve transactions of USD 8.8 million were concluded pursuant to Article 14, para. 6 of Regulation No. 5.

Six transactions of BGL 2 million

Volume of Transactions in USD-denominated Government Securities in the Interbank Market



Source: BNB.

were concluded in lev-denominated government securities. Three transactions of USD 3.5 million were registered in foreign currency guaranty government securities.

A downward trend in forex ZUNK bonds sales continued in April: sales volumes were small. Prices at which forex ZUNK bonds traded in the interbank market fell on the previous month; decline was more significant during the second half of April: USD 52.50 and USD 54.50 per USD 100 nominal value. Prices dramatic decline on 23 and 26 April was due to the specific transactions registered in the market and was not a result of market situation during the period under review. Prices of final users transactions associated with participation in privatization traditionally were higher than those

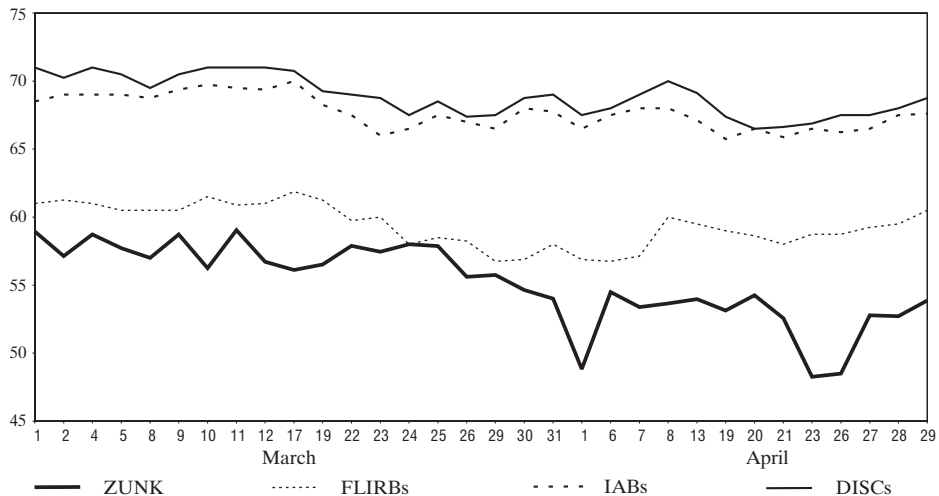
in the interbank market.

Government Securities Repo Agreements in the Interbank Market

In April the volume of repo agreements traded in the secondary interbank market was uneven (Chart 5). The high was registered on 6 April 1999 due to renegotiation of repo agreements concluded during the previous month. On the same date a significant increase in interest rates on interbank deposits was registered. The volume of traded deposits indicated a low on 27 April due to the pending injection of liquidity into banks from government securities interest and maturities.

In April the yield of repo agreements reflected frequent insignificant changes

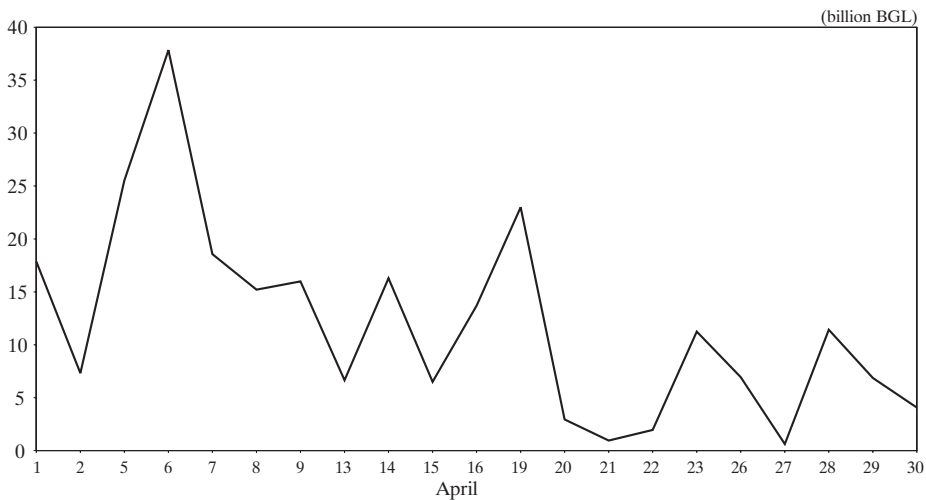
Price Movements of USD-denominated Government Securities (Issued under ZUNK) and Bulgarian Brady Bonds in the Interbank Market*



* Reuters offer quotations for Brady bonds.

Sources: BNB, Reuters.

Volume of Repo Agreements in the Secondary Interbank Market



Source: BNB.

**Prices of Transactions in USD-denominated Government Securities
Issued under Article 5 of ZUNK**

(USD)

Date April	Price		
	Minimum	Maximum	Average weighted
1	48.83	58.00	49.34
2	54.20	54.87	54.31
5	58.00	58.00	58.00
6	54.50	59.00	57.72
7	53.25	53.50	53.38
8	53.25	57.50	53.69
9	56.50	57.50	57.06
13	53.62	54.50	53.97
14	57.50	57.50	57.50
15	57.20	57.20	57.20
16	57.50	57.50	57.50
19	53.00	70.00	53.23
20	53.50	57.00	54.26
21	52.50	57.50	53.12
22	54.00	57.60	55.05
23	48.27	57.00	48.35
26	48.27	53.40	48.50
27	52.50	60.50	56.16
28	52.20	52.88	52.72
29	52.50	56.90	53.89
30	54.50	57.54	55.50
Monthly	48.27	70.00	54.31

Note: Data is based on privatization and outright transactions registered by the BNB.

Quotations of Bulgarian Brady Bonds*

Date April	DISCs		FLIRBs		IABs	
	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid
1	67.50	66.75	56.88	56.63	66.50	66.00
5	66.38	66.00	55.13	55.00	67.50	65.75
6	68.00	66.13	56.75	56.13	66.75	65.75
7	69.00	67.00	57.13	56.88	68.00	66.75
8	70.00	69.50	60.00	59.50	68.00	67.00
9	69.50	68.63	60.00	59.00	68.50	67.25
12	69.38	68.75	59.63	59.25	68.13	67.63
13	69.13	68.75	59.50	58.63	67.13	66.13
14	70.00	69.00	61.00	59.50	68.50	66.50
15	70.00	67.75	60.50	59.25	67.50	66.00
16	69.25	68.63	61.13	59.75	68.25	67.25
19	67.38	66.50	59.00	58.50	65.75	64.88
20	66.50	66.00	58.63	58.13	66.50	65.50
21	66.63	66.13	58.00	57.25	65.88	64.88
22	67.00	66.25	58.63	58.00	67.00	65.50
23	66.88	66.38	58.75	58.25	66.50	65.50
26	67.50	66.38	58.75	58.25	66.25	64.00
27	67.50	67.38	59.25	58.75	66.50	65.50
28	68.00	67.50	59.50	59.00	67.50	66.38
29	68.75	68.00	60.50	59.75	67.63	66.63
30	69.00	68.50	61.25	60.63	68.25	67.25

* Reuters quotations.

Volume and Structure of Government Securities Secondary Market Transactions in April

1. Volume of transactions in government securities denominated in levs (billion BGL nominal value)	333.23
- repo agreements*	248.29
- outright sales	84.94
- privatization transactions	-
2. Volume of transactions in government securities denominated in US dollars (lev equivalent, billion BGL)	56.00
- repo agreements*	17.30
- outright sales	37.48
- privatization transactions	1.22
3. Number of secondary market transactions	379
- repo agreements**	159
- outright sales	179
- privatization transactions	41
4. Average term of secondary market repo agreements (days)	6.94
5. Average monthly yield (simple interest) on secondary market repo agreements depending on the term (%)	
1 day	0.21
from 2 to 3 days	0.23
from 4 to 7 days	0.24
up to 1 month	0.28

* *Volume of reverse repo agreements excluded.*

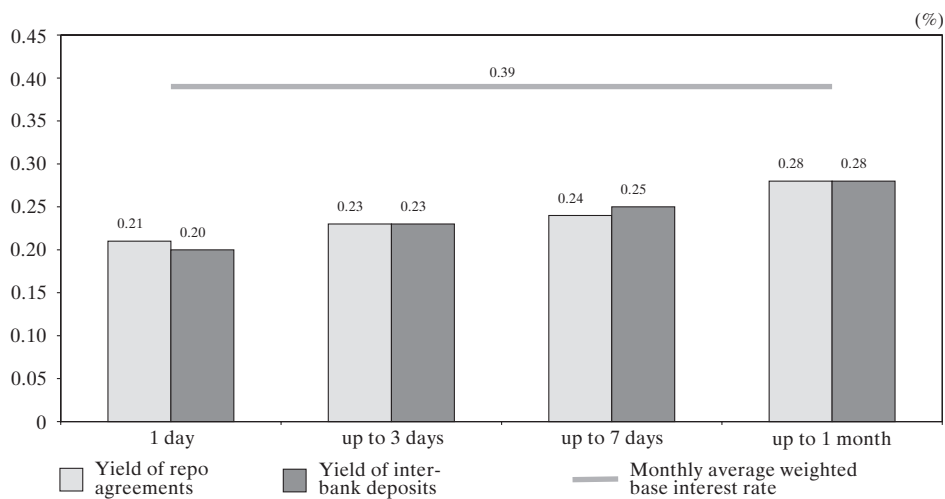
** *Number of reverse repo agreements excluded.*

in the base interest rate; April saw an increase in the average term (in terms of days) and a significant increase in the volume of outright transactions in government securities. The yield of repo agreements in government securities with one-day maturity was higher than the yield of interbank deposits with the same maturity while the yield of repo agreements in government securities

with seven-day term was insignificantly lower than the yield of interbank deposits; the yield of repo agreements with three-day and up to one-month term was equal to the yield of interbank deposits with the same term (Chart 6). April saw a decreased activity in the interbank secondary market compared with March; mainly commercial banks regulated their current liquidity.

Chart 6

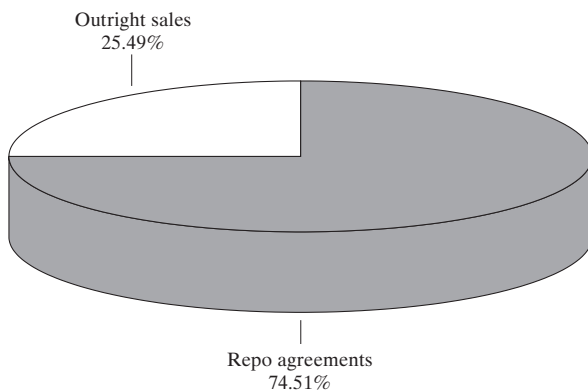
Yield of Repo Agreements in Government Securities and Interest Rate on Interbank Deposits on a Monthly Basis (April)



Source: BNB.

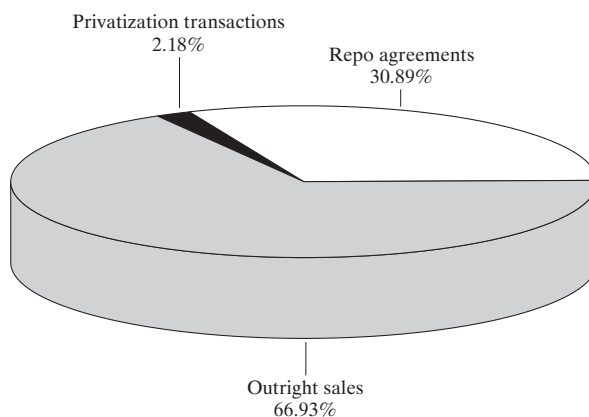
Chart 7

Structure of Secondary Market Transactions in Lev-denominated Government Securities in April



Source: BNB.

Structure of Secondary Market Transactions in USD-denominated Government Securities in April



Source: BNB.

Volume and Yield of Deposits in the Interbank Market and Repo Agreements in Government Securities

	1 day		from 2 to 3 days		from 4 to 7 days		from 8 to 30 days		over 30 days		Total
	Volume	Yield	Volume	Yield	Volume	Yield	Volume	Yield	Volume	Yield	Volume
1.04.1999											
Deposits	14000	2.84			14688	3.24	2960	3.14			31648
Repo agreements	7088	2.83			9156	3.00	2000	3.55			18244
2.04.1999											
Deposits			10200	2.80	5850	3.20	3200	3.38			19250
Repo agreements			6187	2.56			1350	3.42			7537
5.04.1999											
Deposits	12865	2.31	4000	2.65			13629	3.19			30494
Repo agreements	16025	2.36	475	2.33	6033	2.84	4723	3.15			27256
6.04.1999											
Deposits	10900	2.33	2900	2.96	5697	3.14	8903	3.33			28400
Repo agreements	19128	2.46	6601	2.63	5288	2.95	7504	3.26	2000	3.04	40521
7.04.1999											
Deposits	15050	2.51	3000	3.10	3500	3.37	5482	3.48			27032
Repo agreements	8006	2.45	1025	2.84	9196	2.87	1000	3.35			19227
8.04.1999											
Deposits	9900	2.31			9688	2.66	3600	3.42	2000	3.90	25188
Repo agreements	4574	2.45			10253	3.00	1531	3.30			16358
9.04.1999											
Deposits					16300	2.64	1300	3.72	300	2.65	17900
Repo agreements					16130	2.76					16130

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	1 day		from 2 to 3 days		from 4 to 7 days		from 8 to 30 days		over 30 days		Total
	Volume	Yield	Volume	Yield	Volume	Yield	Volume	Yield	Volume	Yield	Volume
13.04.1999											
Deposits	15100	2.59	3400	3.32	5430	3.51	2700	3.63	1200	7.54	27830
Repo agreements	2625	2.92	1001	2.84	2118	3.05	1100	3.45			6844
14.04.1999											
Deposits	15593	2.26	5500	3.08	8610	3.17	3400	3.80			33103
Repo agreements	5069	2.77	2008	2.76	5748	3.11	6336	3.45			19161
15.04.1999											
Deposits	15111	2.57			8520	3.40	3460	3.22			27091
Repo agreements	3000	2.64			3621	3.05					6621
16.04.1999											
Deposits			9750	2.89	10983	3.21	4300	3.52	1000	3.80	26033
Repo agreements			9329	2.84	4600	3.06	300	3.45			14229
19.04.1999											
Deposits	10250	2.52	2000	3.10	1000	3.10	2690	3.23	1400	3.90	17340
Repo agreements	8161	2.84	15400	2.84							23561
20.04.1999											
Deposits	8600	2.68	3900	3.01	2260	3.09	3760	3.23			18520
Repo agreements					2058	2.90	1000	3.35			3058
21.04.1999											
Deposits	8250	2.63	1000	2.60	10945	2.74	1000	3.10			21195
Repo agreements							1000	3.14			1000
22.04.1999											
Deposits	6400	2.55			10803	2.91	4480	3.77	2700	3.50	24383
Repo agreements							2057	3.34			2057
23.04.1999											
Deposits			6346	2.42	6632	2.88	1200	3.67	2000	4.75	16178
Repo agreements			3014	2.23	2550	2.79	3750	3.01	2000	3.55	11314
26.04.1999											
Deposits	1500	1.53	1980	2.55	5650	2.49	3780	3.73			12910
Repo agreements			3014	2.53			4839	3.41			7853
27.04.1999											
Deposits	14400	1.89	3000	2.23	1732	2.94	2406	3.61			21538
Repo agreements	620	2.48									620
28.04.1999											
Deposits	16500	1.95			6446	2.86	4146	2.94			27092
Repo agreements			1000	2.13	2100	2.84	9303	3.39			12403
29.04.1999											
Deposits	8000	2.35			3000	2.40	3665	2.58			14665
Repo agreements	7000	2.13									7000
30.04.1999											
Deposits			2124	2.13	3000	2.40	3900	2.83			9024
Repo agreements					3000	2.43	1087	3.36			4087

Notes: 1. Volumes of transactions and deposits in million BGL.

2. The volume of repo agreements includes the agreements concluded during the current day.

3. Yield is calculated on an annual basis.

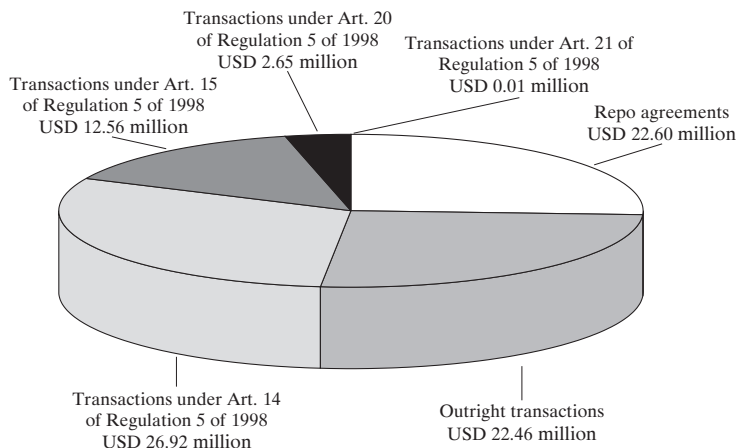
4. Lev equivalent of the transactions in USD-denominated government securities based on the USD exchange rate on the day of transaction.

Volume of Government Securities Transactions in the Secondary Market and Transactions in Securities in the Bulgarian Stock Exchange (thousand BGL)

Date April	Repo agreements	Outright transactions	Regulation No. 5 of 1998				Transactions in government securities, total		Transactions in securities in the Bulgarian Stock Exchange		
			Art. 14	Art. 15	Art. 20	Art. 21	Stock exchange market	OTC market	Total		
1	35 865 278	6 991 681	27 289 115	2 456 861	1 815 661	7 632	74 426 228	516 000	3 000	519 000	
2	28 973 322	3 277 065	2 000 000	258 396	-	1 020 000	35 528 783	87 000	16 000	103 000	
5	49 674 557	1 000 000	2 903 557	1 065 772	-	-	54 643 887	127 000	5 000	132 000	
6	70 006 307	129 349	-	134 311	-	-	70 269 967	199 000	49 000	248 000	
7	45 619 122	10 891 022	6 000 000	6 658 669	2 061 472	-	71 230 285	177 000	17 000	194 000	
8	33 855 900	6 368 444	1 370 000	3 099 199	-	480 770	45 174 312	91 000	5 000	96 000	
9	29 113 000	1 600 000	530 849	2 398 733	-	-	33 642 582	102 000	18 000	120 000	
13	22 801 300	4 970 247	4 865 990	11 165 661	-	12 560	43 815 758	1 370 000	23 000	1 393 000	
14	48 837 685	15 689 783	-	15 841 748	-	11 604	80 380 820	126 000	5 000	131 000	
15	24 073 000	3 680 542	581 000	4 218 076	-	-	32 552 618	83 000	33 000	116 000	
16	24 838 000	2 050 000	4 108 366	634 083	-	-	31 630 449	30000	11 000	41 000	
19	36 126 000	7 056 913	500 000	2 128 848	-	-	45 811 761	99 000	9 000	108 000	
20	15 545 000	3 149 466	422 545	244 427	-	60 000	19 421 437	45 000	9 000	54 000	
21	19 967 126	6 836 256	16 586 149	5 896 783	923 781	-	50 210 095	114 000	3 000	117 000	
22	15 054 400	2 380 400	2 675 085	3 135 137	390 000	-	23 635 023	78 000	68 000	146 000	
23	12 445 000	8 921 815	1 000 000	1 983 172	-	-	24 349 987	44 000	50 000	94 000	
26	15 406 689	8 784 504	3 081 158	636 750	-	-	27 909 100	89 000	19 000	108 000	
27	3 298 000	4 113 258	2 500 000	1 202 076	18 031	824 741	11 956 106	6 321 000	15 000	6 336 000	
28	19 827 410	12 084 486	9 823 460	8 561 902	-	-	50 297 258	81 000	3 000	84 000	
29	9 300 000	8 790 176	608 661	5 871 874	-	-	24 570 712	60 000	11 000	71 000	
30	12 936 651	1 458 324	2 959 143	5 029 835	18 000	-	22 401 953	16 000	26 000	42 000	
Total	573 563 748	120 223 730	89 805 077	82 622 315	5 226 946	2 417 307	873 859 123	9 855 000	398 000	10 253 000	

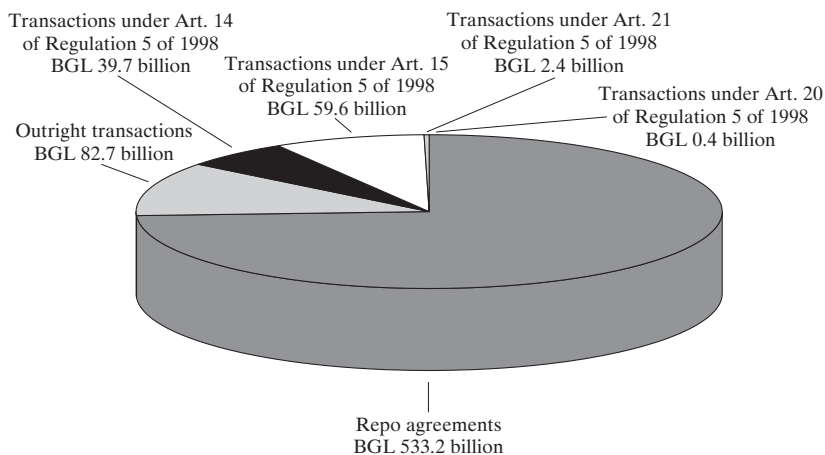
- Notes:**
1. The amount of the bids approved for participation in government securities auctions on behalf of nonprimary dealers of BGL 7,961,371 thousand is included.
 2. The amount of approved competitive and noncompetitive bids on behalf of companies and individuals of BGL 9,509,085 thousand is included.
 3. The volume of repo agreements includes reverse repo agreements and repo agreements concluded during the current day.
 4. Transactions in USD-denominated government securities are in levs at the US dollar exchange rate quoted by the BNB on the day of transaction.
 5. Banking Department data on the volume of transactions in the Bulgarian Stock Exchange.

Volume of Secondary Market Transactions in Government Securities Issued for Structural Reform in April



Source: BNB.

Volume of Secondary Market Transactions in Government Securities Issued for Budget Deficit Financing in April



Source: BNB.

SALES OF GOVERNMENT SECURITIES TO NONBANK FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS, COMPANIES AND INDIVIDUALS

Sales of Government Securities Issued under Regulation No. 5 of 1998 and Target Issues

The volume of government securities sales for budget deficit financing increased in April. As of 30 April 1999 government securities (issued under Regulation No. 5 of 1998) held by individuals, companies and nonbank financial institutions totaled BGL 100,299 million (Chart 11), an increase of BGL 29,449 million, or 41.57%, on the previous month. Target government se-

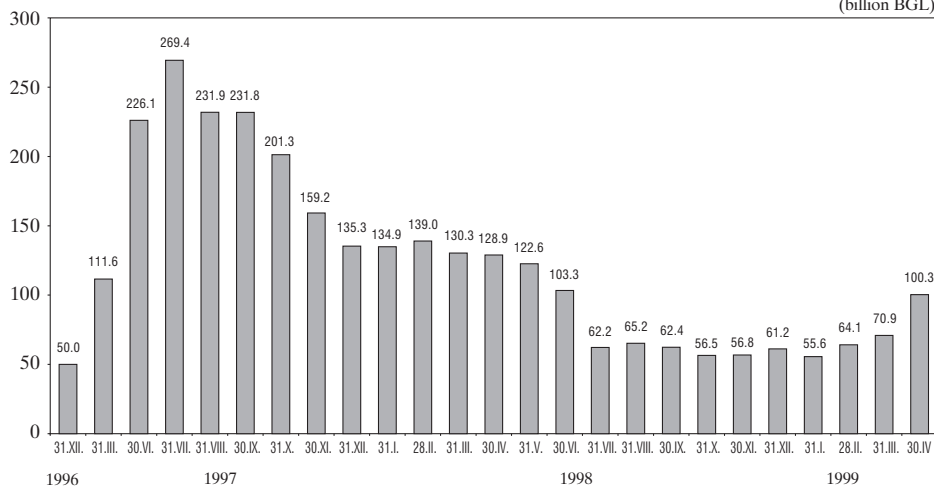
curities sold to nonbank financial institutions, companies and individuals accounted for BGL 15,020 million (Chart 12), a decrease of BGL 330 million, or 2.15%, on March.

In April sales of government securities issued under Regulation No. 5 of 1998 included three-month treasury bills of BGL 2,619.3 million, one-year of BGL 2,621.3 million, and two-year treasury bonds of BGL 3,684.1 million. Two-year government securities occupied the largest share in total government securities sales in April, 41.28%.

Chart 11

Net Sales of Government Securities Issued under Regulation No. 5 to Nonbank Financial Institutions, Companies and Individuals

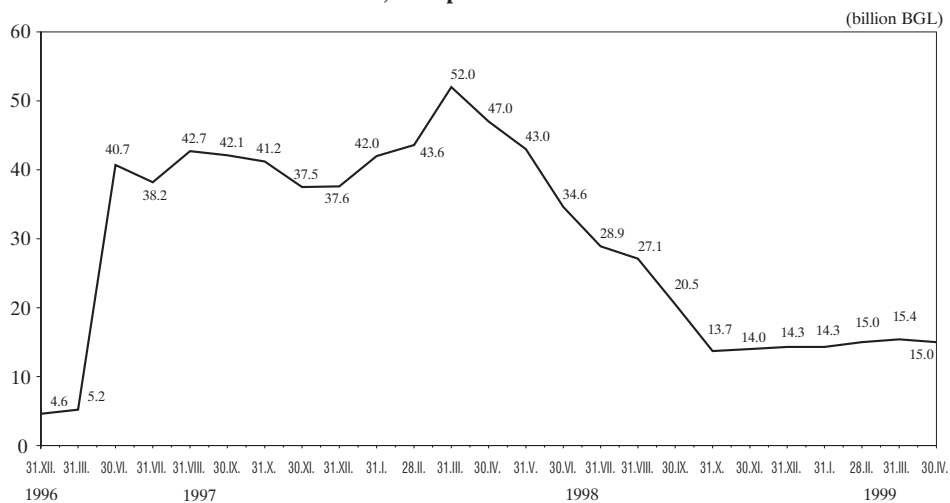
(billion BGL)



Note: Preliminary data for 1999.

Source: BNB.

Net Sales of Government Securities from Target Issues to Nonbank Financial Institutions, Companies and Individuals



- Notes:** 1. Preliminary data for 1999.
2. Target issues dated 28 April 1999 excluded.

Source: BNB.

Target Issues of Government Securities Earmarked for Physical Persons

Between 17 March and 27 April 1999¹ the MF offered for sale nine issues of government securities earmarked for physical persons under the following conditions:

- Three issues of six-month target discount government treasury bills yielding 5.9% annually. Their average weighted monthly yield is 0.49% (Chart 13). No

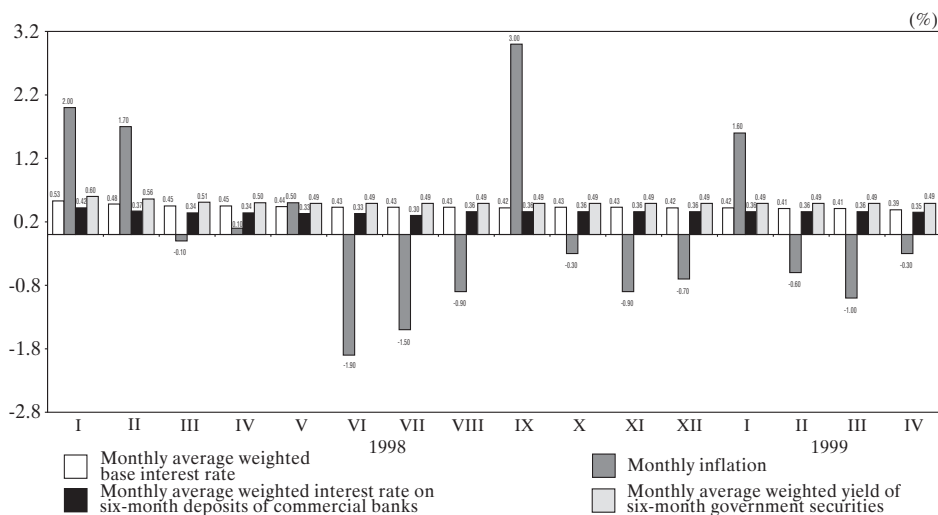
¹ The period under review starts from the issue date and finishes at the end of issue periods, since data is obtained and registered after the sale of a particular issue has been finished. Therefore, this period does not correspond to the calendar month and includes three issue periods or six weeks.

repurchases are effected by the clients prior to maturity of these government securities.

- Three issues of twelve-month target discount government treasury bills ensuring 6.99% annual yield. Their average weighted monthly yield is 0.58% (Chart 14). Reverse repurchase of these government securities starts six months after their issue at prices set by the issuer, with their effective annual yield increasing proportionally from beginning to end of the reverse repurchase period.

- Three issues of two-year savings government treasury bonds with fixed annual yield in the form of semiannual interest payment, effective as of the issue date. The last interest payment is effected at maturity together with the

Yield of Six-month Government Securities from Target Issues (%)



Source: BNB.

nominal value of government securities. The annual interest rate of the first interest coupon is 9%, the second 10%, the third 11%, and fourth 12%. Reverse repurchases of these bonds start six months after their issue at prices set by the issuer. Reverse repurchase price of two-year savings government securities issues is set by accruing the previous coupon annual rate of interest to the nominal value for the period since the latest interest payment until the reverse repurchase date.

Sales of these government securities totaled BGL 1,171.1 million nominal value: six-month treasury bills of BGL 62 million (5.30%), twelve-month treasury bills of BGL 65.1 million (5.56%) and two-year savings treasury bonds of BGL 1,044 million (89.14%). Data

shows that during the reporting period investors opted for two-year savings treasury bonds (Chart 15), generating higher yield.

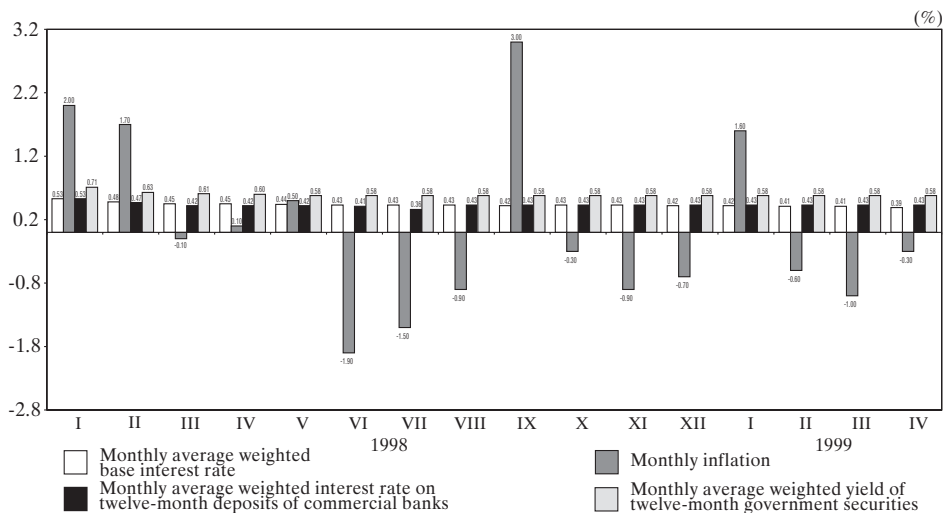
Sales of Government Securities Issued for Structural Reform

An upward trend in the volume of government securities acquired by individuals, companies and nonbank financial institutions and issued for structural reform continued in April. As of 30 April total sales of government securities accounted for BGL 601,079.4 million (including sales to foreign investors), an increase of BGL 5,125.3 million (0.9%) from March (Chart 17).

The bulk of government securities issued for structural reform was sold by

Chart 14

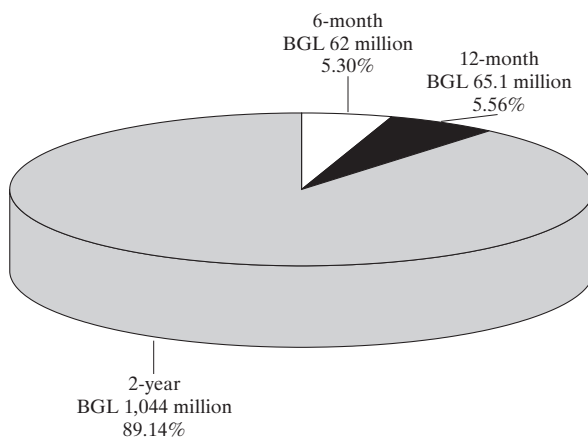
Yield of Twelve-month Government Securities from Target Issues



Source: BNB.

Chart 15

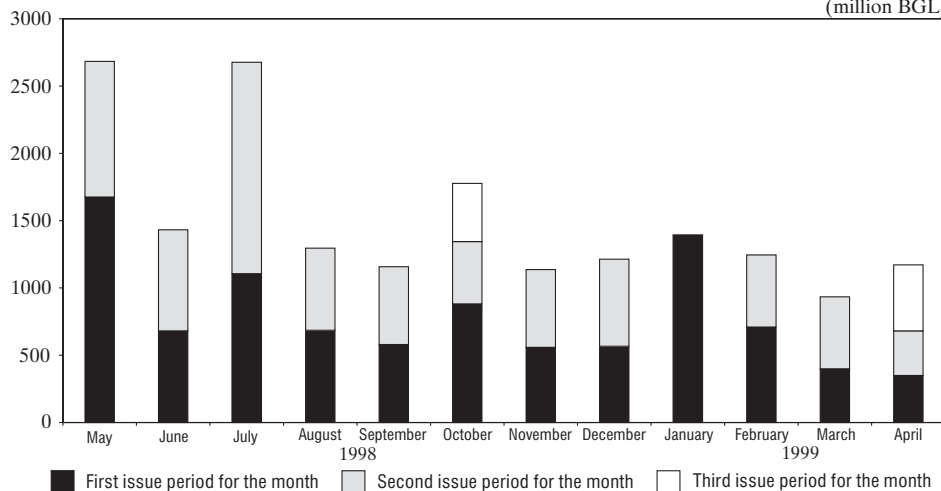
Maturity Structure of Target Government Securities Sold through the BNB and Primary Dealers in April



Source: BNB.

Volume of Target Government Securities Sales to Physical Persons

(million BGL)



Source: BNB.

commercial banks (88.2%) and other financial institutions (11.8%).

Lev-denominated government securities held by individuals, companies and nonbank financial institutions totaled BGL 8,165.8 million (1.4% of total sales), while USD-denominated government securities issued under ZUNK accounted for BGL 592,913.6 million.

Sales of Government Securities to Foreign Investors

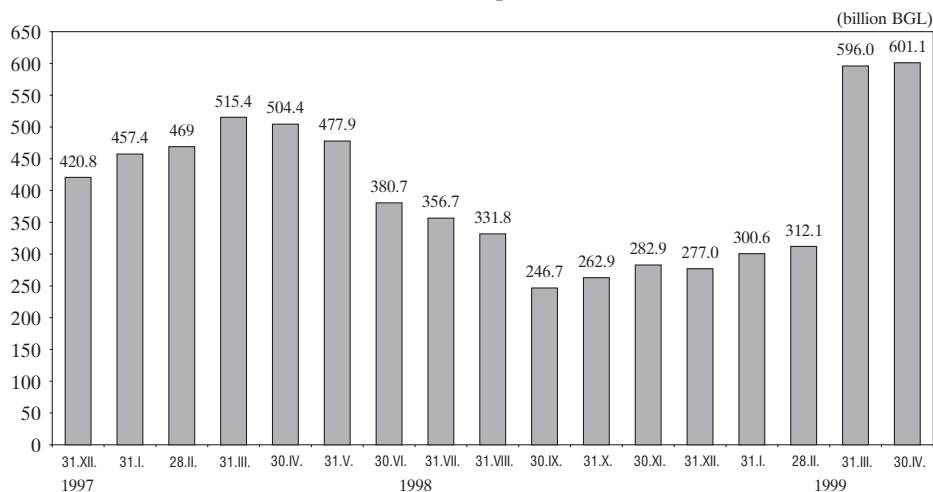
As of 30 April 1999 government securities acquired by foreign investors totaled BGL 132,960.9 million (Chart 18), an increase of BGL 531.4 million (0.4%) on March, due to the appreciation of the US dollar against the Bulgarian lev com-

pared with the previous month.

Government securities issued under Regulation No. 5 of 1996 and held by foreign investors totaled BGL 390 million. In April no sales were registered. By end-April target government securities (earmarked for direct sale to physical persons) sold to nonresidents totaled BGL 6.7 million.

As of 30 April USD-denominated long-term government bonds held by foreign investors decreased by USD 0.5 million, reaching USD 72 million (equivalent to BGL 132,954.2 million, Chart 19, an increase of BGL 921.5 million, or 0.7%, on the previous month). Forex bonds on domestic debt continued to occupy the largest share in foreign investors' portfolios (99.9%).

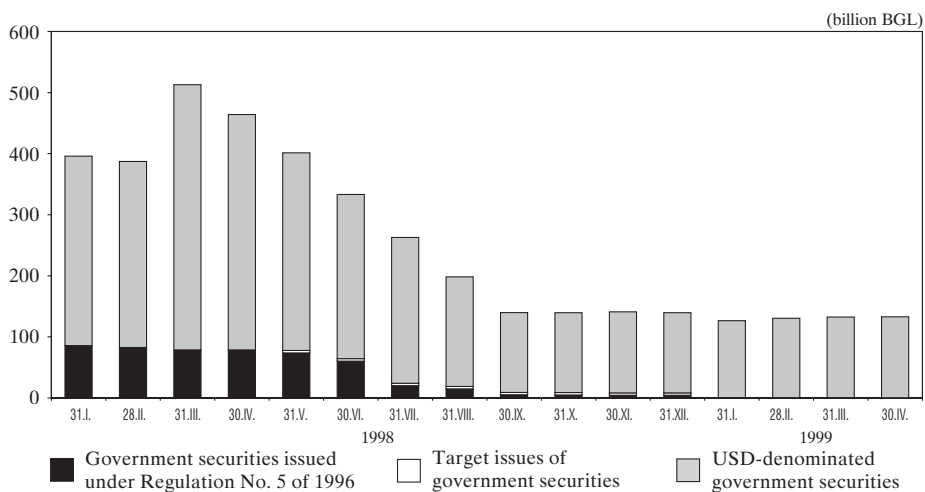
Net Sales of Government Securities Issued for Structural Reform to Nonbank Financial Institutions, Companies and Individuals



- Notes:**
1. Data on USD-denominated government securities shows the lev equivalent based on the USD exchange rate at the end of month.
 2. Preliminary data for 1999.

Source: BNB.

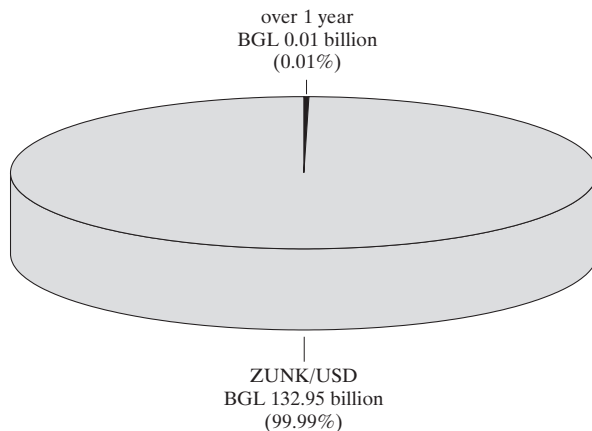
Government Securities in Foreign Investors' Portfolios



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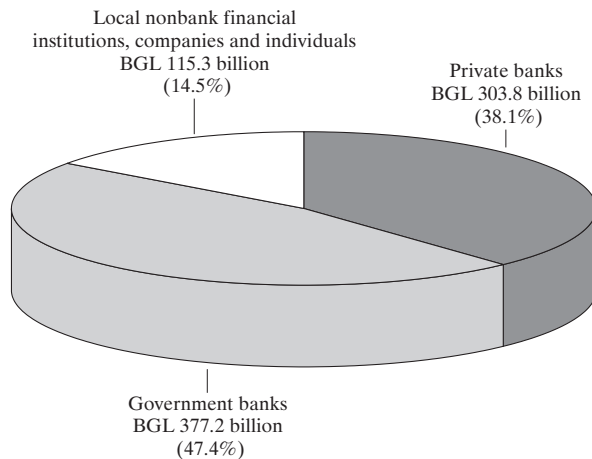
Volume and Maturity Structure of Government Securities Acquired by Foreign Investors by 30 April



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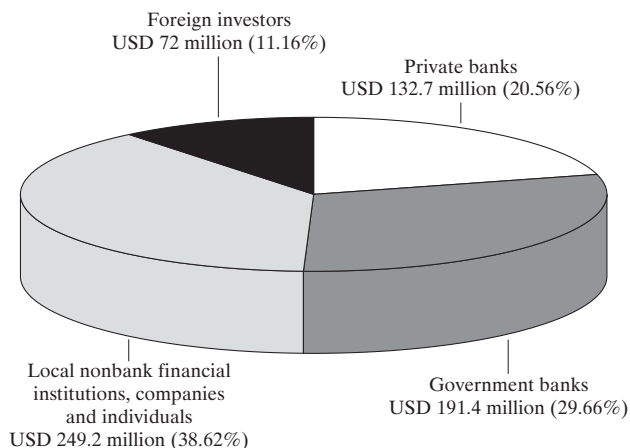
Holders of Government Securities Issued under Regulation No. 5 of 1998 and of Target Issues by 30 April



- Notes:*
1. Including frozen government securities by financial institutions.
 2. Guaranty government securities issued under the LSPDACB excluded.
 3. Preliminary data.

Source: BNB.

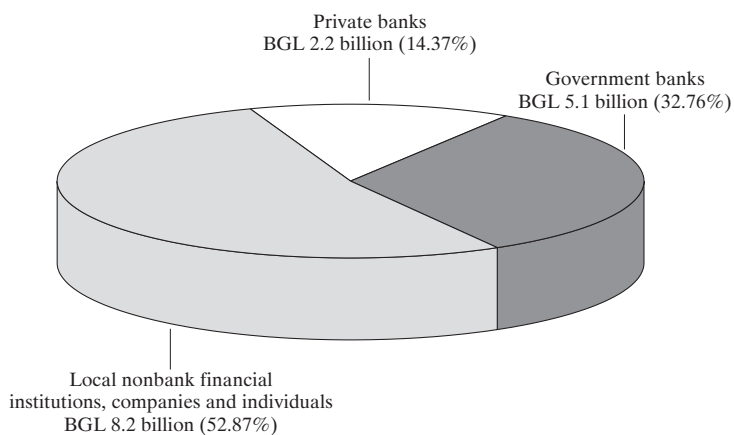
Holders of USD-denominated Government Securities Issued under ZUNK by 30 April



Notes: 1. Including frozen government securities by financial institutions.
 2. Preliminary data.

Source: BNB.

Holders of Lev-denominated Government Securities Issued for Structural Reform (as of 30 April)



Notes: 1. Including frozen government securities by financial institutions.
 2. Preliminary data.

Source: BNB.

SALES OF GOVERNMENT SECURITIES ISSUED FOR STRUCTURAL REFORM FOR PARTICIPATION IN PRIVATIZATION TRANSACTIONS

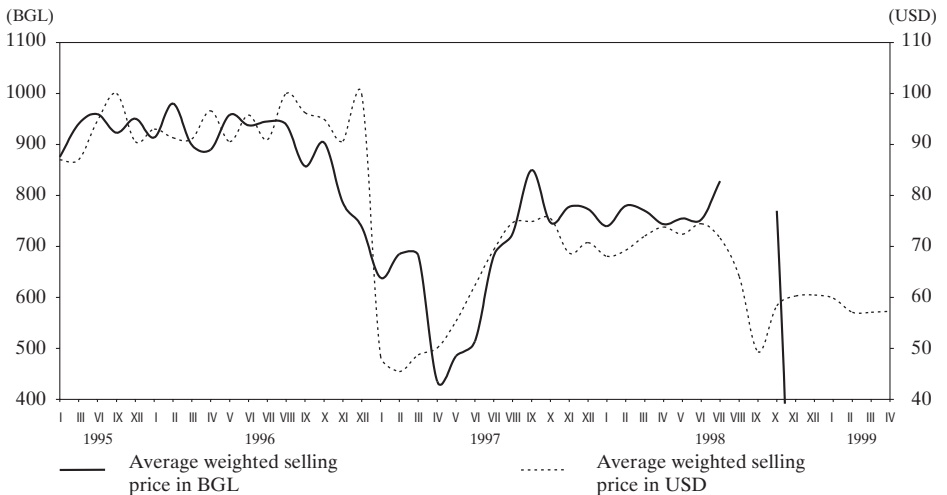
In April long-term government bonds issued under Article 5 of ZUNK, totaling USD 0.7 million, were sold for participation in privatization. Pursuant to Article 5 of the Regulation on participation in privatization of holders of long-term government bonds issued under the terms of ZUNK, CM Decrees Nos. 244 of 1991, 186 of 1993 and 3 of 1994 (government securities for structural reform), these

government securities were transferred to the MF account for participation in 41 privatization transactions as legal tender.

The average weighted price of the bonds issued under Article 5 of ZUNK and sold for participation in privatization was USD 57.26 per USD 100 nominal value (Chart 23). In April no transfer transactions in government securities from issue No. 98 of 1993 (to be used as

Chart 23

**Price Dynamics of Government Securities Issued under Articles 4 and 5
of ZUNK and Sold to Companies and Individuals
for Participation in Privatization**



Source: BNB.

legal tender in privatization transactions) were registered.

In April pursuant to Article 1 of the Regulation on the procedure for utilization of long-term government bonds issued under ZUNK for repayment of

debts to the government arising under the same law (published in the State Gazette, issue 12 of 3 February 1995), maturing long-term government bonds of USD 0.5 million (issued under Article 5 of ZUNK) were used.

Sales of Long-term Government Bonds Issued for Structural Reform for Participation in Privatization Transactions

	Year	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total
I. Government securities in BGL (million BGL)	1994					19.20	0.10	501.40	110.70	177.00	76.70	609.80	28.30	1523.20
	1995	88.20	257.20	65.00	35.50	143.60	132.40	262.90	148.90	59.80	54.90	242.50	354.90	1845.80
	1996	5.70	53.90	16.50	113.90	16.60	147.80	19.90	46.00	121.30	309.60	541.20	1151.20	2543.60
	1997	210.70	1374.90	114.90	1259.35	4354.90	744.30	500.80	175.00	209.10	184.50	135.60	144.70	9408.75
	1998	3916.30	17.18	238.60	13.70	60.00	90.72	27.30	3.96	0.00	11.47	0.00	0.00	4379.23
	1999	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00									0.00
II. Government securities in USD (million USD)	1994													
	1995						0.80	0.10	0.10	0.90	1.70		3.90	7.50
	1996	0.18	0.23	0.32	2.22	0.04	2.47	0.20	2.21	0.22	4.29	1.22	0.76	14.37
	1997	4.96	0.68	4.10	0.11	1.54	1.41	6.22	1.73	3.86	2.63	2.15	10.26	39.64
	1998	31.50	4.79	11.00	13.00	13.15	10.59	5.18	13.78	4.77	3.60	4.55	2.81	118.72
	1999	9.50	1.61	5.34	0.67									17.12

- Notes:** 1. Government securities in BGL include long-term government bonds issued under Article 4 of ZUNK, CM Decrees No. 186 of 1993 and No. 3 of 1994.
 2. Government securities in USD include long-term government bonds issued under Article 5 of ZUNK and denominated in US dollars.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES PRIMARY DEALERS AND REUTERS PAGES FOR GOVERNMENT SECURITIES QUOTATIONS

Pursuant to Article 4, para. 1 of Regulation No. 5 of 1998, by resolution of BNB Managing Board and letter of the Minister of Finance, the following are approved as government securities primary dealers:

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