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The Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics (PCBS) and The Palestine Monetary Authority (PMA)

The Net Stock of the International Investment Position (IIP) amounted to USD 3,361million at the End of the Fourth Quarter of 2022

The Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics (PCBS) and the Palestine Monetary Authority (PMA) announced the preliminary results of the International Investment Position (IIP), and External Debt statistics for Palestine as of the end of the fourth quarter 2022.

The total stocks of External Assets for the Palestinian economy amounted to USD 9,461 million, the Foreign Direct Investment Abroad contributed to 3%, and Portfolio Investments abroad reached 17%, while Other Foreign Investments Abroad reached 70% and Reserve Assets amounted to 10%.

51% of the total foreign liabilities on the Palestinian economy at the End of the Fourth Quarter of 2022 are a foreign direct investment

The total stocks of Foreign Liabilities in Palestine (Balances of non-residents invested in Palestine) amounted to USD 6,100 million, where Foreign Direct Investment in Palestine contributed to 51%, Portfolio Investments in Palestine reached 14%, and Other Investments in Palestine (mainly loans and deposits from abroad) amounted to 35%. At the sectoral level, foreign investments in the banking sector contributed a major value in the foreign liabilities, represented by 35% of the total value of foreign liabilities in the Palestinian economy.

An increase in Stock of external debt on general government sector by 2%, to reach about USD 1.3 billion at the end of the fourth quarter 2022

The Gross External Debt Stock on the Palestinian economic sectors reached USD 2,191 million decreased by 1% compared with the previous quarter, On the other hand, the government's external debt increased by 2% to reach about \$1.3 billion at the end of the fourth quarter of 2022. The Stock of external debt has been distributed between debt on the general government sector represented 59%, while debt on the banking sector (deposits of non-residents in banks operating in Palestine) reached 34%, debt on other sectors (non-banking financial institutions, non-financial corporations, NGOs, and household sector) amounted to 5%, and the lending between affiliated companies reached 2%.

The International Investment Position (IIP) is a statistical record of the investments stocks for the residents in Palestine (individuals, institutions, and government) invested in the rest of the world (abroad) under the name of (assets), compared with the investments stocks owned by residents outside Palestine (individuals, institutions, and government) invested in Palestine under the name of (liabilities).

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The Balance of Payments Manual - fifth edition, issued by the International Monetary Fund in 1993, divides the assets and liabilities into direct investment (investment by 10% and more in the non-resident capital). Portfolio investment (investment less than 10% in the non-resident capital as well as investment in bonds), and other investments (includes stocks of trade credit, loans, currency and deposits, and any other assets or liabilities). In addition to the Reserve Assets, i.e. Stocks held by the Central Banks/ Monetary Authorities to address the imbalances in the balance of payments. It is worth mentioning that the reserve assets are only included on the asset side.

The External Debt is a statistical record of the debt stocks on Palestinian economic sectors due to non-residents. These include (loans from non-residents, deposits of non-residents deposited in the banks operating in Palestine, the Palestinian bonds purchased by non-residents, and debt transactions between the non-resident enterprises and fellow enterprises in Palestine. They encompass as well any other liabilities in the Palestinian economy) the data of external debt have been extracted from the liabilities side in the international investment position matrix (debt items). Compiling and disseminating the data based on (The External Debt Statistics Manual) issued by IMF in 2003, which is harmonized with the fifth edition of the Balance of Payments Manual.

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Table 1: International Investment Position (IIP) Stock by Economic Sectors for Palestine, at the end of the Fourth Quarter, 2022

Value in million USD

Value in million USD				Other Sec	ctors	
Investments Stocks by Type of Investment	Monetary Authorities (PMA)	General Government Sector	Banks Sector	Non-bank Financial Corporations, Non-Financial Corporations, and NGOs Sector	House- Holds Sector	TOTAL
International Investment	1 275	(00	4.531	700	1.010	2 271
Position (net)* Total External Assets	1,265	698- 604	4,521 6,683	708- 850	1,019- 59	3,361
Foreign Direct Investment	1,265	004	0,083	850	39	9,461
Abroad	0	0	0	293	25	318
Portfolio Investments	U	0	U	293	23	310
Abroad	150	0	959	500	0	1,609
Other Investments Abroad	218	604	5,724	57	34	6,637
Of which: currency and	210	001	3,721	31	31	0,037
deposits**	218	0	5,691	2	34	5,945
Reserve Assets	897	0	0	0	0	897
Total Foreign Liabilities	0	1,302	2,162	1,558	1,078	6,100
Foreign Direct Investment		<i>y</i>	, -)	, , , ,	-,
in Palestine	0	0	1,147	891	1,078	3,116
Foreign Portfolio						·
Investments in Palestine	0	0	271	563	0	834
Foreign Other Investments						
in Palestine:	0	1,302	744	104	0	2,150
Of which: loans from						
abroad	0	1,302	98	104	0	1,504
Of which: currency and						
deposits***	0	0	646	0	0	646

Notes:

- The data in the above table are close to the nearest integer.
- The data does not include the value of land owned by non-residents.
- * International investment position (net): equals total external assets minus total foreign liabilities.
- ** Currency and deposits: Include the residents deposits in banks abroad, in addition to foreign exchange in Palestinian economy.
- *** Currency and deposits: Include the deposits of non-residents deposited in resident banks.

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Table 2: Gross External Debt Position Stock on Palestine, at the End of the Third Quarter, 2022 and Fourth Quarter, 2022

Value in million USD

Economic Sector	Stock at the end of the Third Quarter 2022	Stock at the end of the Fourth Quarter 2022	
General Government	1,278	1,302	
Short-term	197	221	
Long-term	1,081	1081	
Monetary Authorities	0	0	
Short-term	0	0	
Long-term	0	0	
Banks	792	744	
Short-term	308	413	
Long-term	484	331	
Other Sectors	104	104	
Short-term	0	0	
Long-term	104	104	
Direct Investment: lending between affiliated companies	41	41	
Debt liabilities to affiliated companies	0	0	
Debt liabilities to direct investors	41	41	
Gross External Debt Position	2,215	2,191	