



Results announcement

International Investment Position & External Debt – Second Quarter 2014 Stocks of Palestinian assets invested abroad are about USD 5,875 million, of which about 68% currency and deposits stocks of foreign liabilities on the Palestinian economy are about USD 4,895 million

The Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics (PCBS) and the Palestine Monetary Authority (PMA), have prepared a press release for the International Investment Position (IIP), and External Debt statistics for Palestine at the end of second quarter 2014.

The primary results of the IIP (external assets – foreign liabilities) for Palestine at the end of second quarter 2014 revealed that the net IIP amounted to about USD 980 million, which means that the Palestinian economy of its various sectors had invested outside Palestine by more than the investment amount in Palestine from abroad. The cash deposits of local banks in foreign banks and foreign exchange in Palestinian economy contributed a major value in the external assets, which represented by 68.1% of their total value.

The total stocks of External Assets for Palestine amounted to USD 5,875 million, The Foreign Direct Investment abroad had contributed to 3.0%, Portfolio Investments abroad reached 18.9%, while Other Foreign Investments abroad reached 68.7%, and Reserve Assets amounted to 9.4%. According to sectoral level, the external investments of banking sector contributed a major value in the external assets, represented by 76.7% of the total value of external assets.

The total stocks of Foreign Liabilities in Palestine (Stocks of non-residents invested in Palestine) had amounted to USD 4,895 million, The Foreign Direct Investment in Palestine contributed 50.0%, Portfolio Investments in Palestine reached 14.5%, and Other Investments in Palestine amounted to 35.5%. According to sectoral level, the foreign investments in banking sector contributed a major value in the foreign liabilities, represented by 33.7% of the total value of foreign liabilities.

The Gross External Debt on the Palestinian economy sectors had amounted to USD 1,743 million, The debt on general government sector had contributed 63.4%, while debt on banks sector reached 32.9%, and debt on other sectors (non-financial, insurance enterprises NGOs

and household sectors) amounted to 3.5%, the lending between affiliated companies contributed to 0.2%.

The International Investment Position (IIP) is defined as an accounting sheet records the investments stocks for the residents in Palestine (individuals, institutions and government) that was invested in the rest of the world (abroad) under the name of (assets), on the one hand, and the investments stocks owned by residents outside Palestine (individuals, institutions and governments) that was invested in Palestine under the name of (liabilities) on the other hand.

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

The External Debt is defined as an accounting sheet records the debt stocks on Palestinian economy sectors due to nonresidents, which include (loans from nonresident, the nonresidents deposits deposited in the banks sector in Palestine, the Palestinian bonds purchased by nonresidents, debt transactions between the non-resident enterprises and fellow enterprises in Palestine, in addition to any other liabilities on Palestinian economy) the data of external debt have been extracted from the liabilities side in the international investment position matrix (debt items). Preparing, classifying and publishing of the data based on (External Debt Statistics Manual) issued by IMF in 2003, this manual is harmonized with 5th edition of Balance of Payments and International Investment Position Manual

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Table 1: International Investment Position (IIP) stock by Economic Sectors For Palestine, at the end of the Second Quarter 2014

Value in million USD

Economic Sector				Other Sectors		
Investments Stocks by Type of Investment	Monetary Authorities (PMA)	Government Sector	Banks Sector	Non-Financial companies, Insurance companies and NGO's Sector	House- Holds Sector	TOTAL
International Investment Position (net)*	957	-1,104	2,85 5	-863	-865	980
Total External Assets	957	1	4,50 5	376	36	5,875
Foreign Direct Investment Abroad	0	0	0	151	28	179
Portfolio Investments Abroad	137	0	830	144	1	1,112
Other Investments Abroad	269	1	3675	81	7	4,033
Of which: currency and deposits**	269	0	3647	75	7	3,998
Reserve Assets	551	0	0	0	0	551
Total Foreign Liabilities	0	1,105	1,650	1239	901	4,895
Foreign Direct Investment in Palestine	0	0	799	744	901	2,444
Foreign Portfolio Investments in Palestine	0	0	277	435	0	712
Foreign Other Investments in Palestine	0	1,105	574	60	0	1,739
Of which: Loans from abroad	0	1,105	0	58	0	1,163
Of which: currency and deposits***	0	0	574	0	0	574

Notes:

- The data in the above table are closed 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: Including residents deposits in banks abroad, In addition to foreign currency cash in Palestinian economy.
- *** Currency and deposits: Include the deposits of non-residents deposited in local banks.

Table 2: Gross External Debt position on Palestine, at the end of the Second Quarter 2014

Value in million USD

Economic Sector	Stock at the end of the Second Quarter 2014	
General Government	1,105	
Short-term	71	
Long-term	1,034	
Monetary Authorities	0	
Short-term	0	
Long-term	0	
Banks	574	
Short-term	574	
Long-term	0	
Other Sectors	60	
Short-term	0	
Long-term	60	
Direct investment: lending between affliated companies	4	
Debt liabilities to affiliated enterprises	0	
Debt liabilities to direct investors	4	
Gross External Debt Position	1,743	