



Results Announcement

International Investment Position & External Debt – Third Quarter 2014
Stocks of Palestinian assets invested abroad are about USD 5,936 million,
of which 66.1% currency and deposits
Stocks of foreign liabilities on the Palestinian economy are about USD
4,765 million

The Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics (PCBS) and the Palestine Monetary Authority (PMA) announce the preliminary results of the International Investment Position (IIP), and External Debt statistics for Palestine at the end of third quarter 2014.

The primary results of the IIP (external assets – foreign liabilities) for Palestine at the end of third quarter 2014 revealed that the net IIP amounted to about USD 1,171 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 66.1% of their total value.

The total stocks of External Assets for Palestine amounted to USD 5,936 million, The Foreign Direct Investment abroad had contributed to 3.2%, Portfolio Investments abroad reached 19.5%, while Other Foreign Investments abroad reached 66.7% and Reserve Assets amounted to 10.6%. According to sectoral level, the external investments of banking sector contributed a major value in the external assets, represented by 75.6% 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 4,765 million, the Foreign Direct Investment in Palestine contributed 52.2%, Portfolio Investments in Palestine reached 14.0% and Other Investments in Palestine amounted to 33.8%. According to sectoral level, the foreign investments in banking sector contributed a major value in the foreign liabilities, represented by 32.0% of the total value of foreign liabilities.

The Gross External Debt on the Palestinian economy sectors had amounted to USD 1,616 million, The debt on general government sector had contributed 68.1%, while debt on banks sector reached 28.0%, and debt on other sectors (non-financial, insurance enterprises NGOs

and household sectors) amounted to 3.7%, 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 Third 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)*	1,020	-1.099	2,963	-848	-865	1,171
Total External Assets	1,020	1	4,489	390	36	5,936
Foreign Direct Investment Abroad	0	0	0	162	28	190
Portfolio Investments Abroad	145	0	868	147	1	1,161
Other Investments Abroad	247	1	3,621	81	7	3,957
Of which: currency and deposits**	247	0	3,596	75	7	3,925
Reserve Assets	628	0	0	0	0	628
Total Foreign Liabilities	0	1,100	1,526	1,238	901	4,765
Foreign Direct Investment in Palestine	0	0	808	777	901	2,486
Foreign Portfolio Investments in Palestine	0	0	266	401	0	667
Foreign Other Investments in Palestine	0	1,100	452	60	0	1,612
Of which: Loans from abroad	0	1,100	0	58	0	1,158
Of which: currency and deposits***	0	0	452	0	0	452

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 Third Quarter 2014

Value in million USD

Economic Sector	Stock at the end of the Third Quarter 2014	
General Government	1,100	
Short-term	69	
Long-term	1,031	
Monetary Authorities	0	
Short-term	0	
Long-term	0	
Banks	452	
Short-term	452	
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	1,616	