



## International investment position June 2018

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Today, Banco de Portugal publishes statistics, in [Table A.18](#) of the Statistical Bulletin and in BPStat, on the international investment position (IIP) for June 2018.

At the end of the first half of 2018 Portugal's IIP stood at -€209.5 billion (-106.8% of GDP),<sup>1</sup> corresponding to a negative change of 1.1 percentage points (p.p.) from the end of 2017 (IIP of -€204.1 billion, -105.7% of GDP) (Chart 1).

Changes in the IIP were due to the joint negative impact of price changes (-€3.6 billion), transactions (-€1.3 billion), and exchange rate changes (-€1.2 billion).

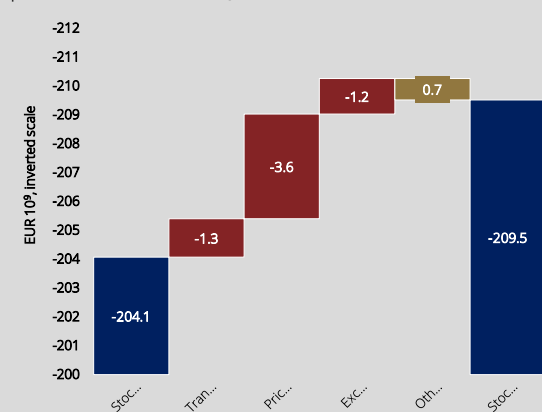
In the case of price changes, the negative impact on the IIP reflected the valuation of shares of resident firms in Portugal held by non-residents. In the case of exchange rate changes, there were two

complementary effects. On the one hand, a reduction in the value of external assets held by residents due to the depreciation of the kwanza, the Brazilian real and the Venezuelan bolivar. On the other hand, an increase in Portugal's external liabilities as a result of the appreciation of the US dollar and the Japanese yen.

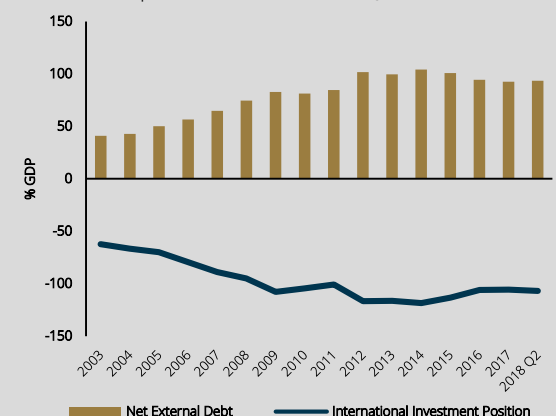
Net transactions made a negative contribution of €1,334 million to net foreign assets in Portugal. For more details on transactions, see the [Statistical Press Release 81 | 2018](#).

Net external debt of Portugal, which is the result of the IIP excluding mostly capital instruments, gold bullion and financial derivatives, reached €183.1 billion at the end of June 2018. Compared to the end of 2017, net external debt increased from 92.5% of GDP to 93.4% of GDP (+0.9 p.p.) (Chart 2).

**Chart 1 • Portuguese international investment position (IIP) (2018 Q2)**



**Chart 2 • Net external debt and international investment position (2003-2018 Q2)**



<sup>1</sup> The nominal GDP figures used for the calculation of the ratios are published by Portugal Statistics (Instituto Nacional de Estatística - INE). For the latest quarter, and when such figures are not available, the nominal GDP of this quarter is extrapolated, based on partial information disseminated by INE. Therefore, the estimate takes into account the GDP of the same quarter of the previous year, the published year-on-year change rate in volume for the latest quarter, and the last published figure for the year-on-year growth rate of the GDP deflator. For the series on stocks, the nominal GDP used in the calculation of the ratios corresponds to the accumulated GDP of the last four quarters, regardless of the quarter to which it relates.

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