



# STATISTICAL PRESS RELEASE

## Public debt

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Today, Banco de Portugal publishes statistics, in Table [A.15](#) of the *Statistical Bulletin* and in *BPstat*, on public debt for February 2018.

In February 2018, public debt stood at €246.0 billion (Chart 1), an increase of €2.4 billion from the end of January. This was basically due to an increase in government debt securities (€2.2 billion) (Chart 2).

General government deposits rose by €2.2 billion. Therefore, public debt net of general government deposits increased by €0.2 billion from the previous month, totalling €223.3 billion.

#### Impact of the measures to support the financial system

Banco de Portugal also disclosed the impact on the deficit and the debt of the government measures to support the financial system between 2007 and 2017. In Portugal, these measures had an accumulated impact amounting to 9.1 per cent of GDP in the deficit and 12.3 per cent of GDP in public debt in said period. The impact on the 2017 deficit reached around €4.5 billion (2.4 per cent of GDP), mainly due to the recapitalisation operation of Caixa Geral de Depósitos.

Chart 1 • Public debt

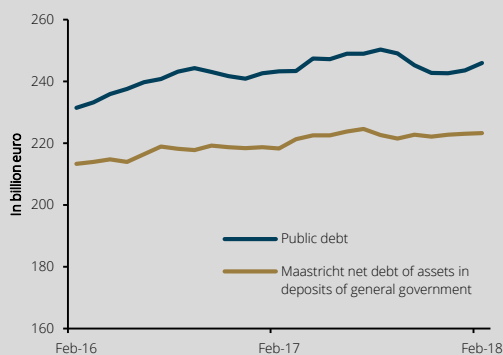
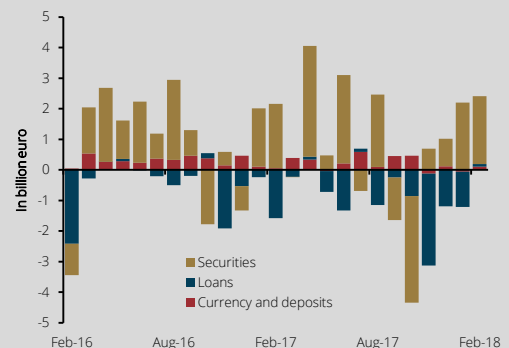


Chart 2 • Public debt | monthly change by instrument



Additional information available at:

[Table A.15 of the \*Statistical Bulletin\*](#)

[Domain: General government debt statistics in BPstat | Statistics Online](#)

[Supplement to the \*Statistical Bulletin\* on general government statistics](#)

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