



Press Release

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Foreign Investors' Stock and Bond Investment, November 2019

Foreign investors sold a net KRW2.8390 trillion of listed stocks and a net KRW1.7760 trillion of listed bonds in November 2019. The cumulative holdings of listed stocks came to KRW558.4 trillion in total, 33.1% of total market capitalization. Meanwhile, the bond holdings totaled KRW124.8 trillion, representing 6.8% of total listed bonds.

Table 1. Net Stock and Bond Investment, November 2019*

(In billions of KRW)

	2018		2019		Cumulative Holdings	
	Year	H1	H2	Oct		Nov
Stocks	-6,678	-3,900	-2,778	-348	-2,839	558,406
Bonds	15,625	12,021	3,604	-189	-1,776	124,776
Total	8,947	8,121	826	-537	-4,615	683,182

*The net total figures on stocks are from on-exchange trading and the net total figures on bonds are from both on- and off-exchange trading.

Table 2. Stock Investment Status, November 2019

(In billions of KRW)

Net-buying		Net-selling		Net Purchases by Region	
Luxembourg	514	U.S.	-2,386	Europe	1371
U.K.	462	Virgin Islands	-800	Asia	-450
Ireland	380	Cayman Islands	-560	U.S.	-2,386

Table 3. Net Stock Investment, November 2019

(In billions of KRW)

	2018		2019		
	Dec	Year	Sep	Oct	Nov
Net investment	116	-6,678	-915	-348	-2,839
Stock bought	38,034	541,476	31,918	36,817	39,359
Stock sold	37,918	548,154	32,833	37,166	42,198
Cumulative holdings	509,720		555,846	560,579	558,406

Table 4. Bond Investment Status, November 2019*

(In billions of KRW)

Net Purchase by Region		Bond Type		Remaining Maturity	
Middle East	162	Korean Treasury Bonds	-387	Less than 1 year	-3,425
Europe	-807	Monetary Stabilization Bonds	-1,329	1-5 years	596
Asia	-1,149	Corporate bonds	0	More than 5 years	1,053

*Figures include both KOSPI and KOSDAQ trading, but exclude ETF trading; the figures are aggregated on a settlement basis.



Table 5. Net Bond Investment, November 2019

(In billions of KRW)

	2018		2019		
	Dec	Year	Sep	Oct	Nov
Net investment	1,479	15,625	1,416	-189	-1,776
Net purchases	5,956	50,930	8,101	3,164	1,387
Redemption	4,477	35,305	6,685	3,353	3,163
Cumulative holdings	113,797		127,188	126,537	124,776

Table 6. Net Stock Investment by Country, November 2019

(In billions of KRW)

	2018		2019	
	Year	Sep	Oct	Nov
Luxembourg	-1,395	-277	88	514
U.K.	-8,806	-1,122	1,342	462
Ireland	359	107	3	380
Germany	139	-94	80	159
Saudi Arabia	-3,131	23	-74	133
Belgium	-391	40	-6	130
Sweden	-338	44	21	-113
Australia	45	205	-71	-311
Singapore	2,862	-1,080	53	-375
Cayman Islands	-2,806	-141	-353	-560
Virgin Islands	-9	-2	-29	-800
U.S.	7,317	228	-2,094	-2,386
Others	-524	1,154	692	-72
Total	-6,678	-915	-348	-2,839



Table 7. Cumulative Stock Holdings by Country, November 2019

(In billions of KRW)

	2017	2018	Nov 2019
U.S.	265,118	218,293	239,628
U.K.	48,323	41,621	44,464
Luxembourg	40,986	31,963	35,923
Singapore	32,631	27,893	31,641
Ireland	24,020	18,684	21,747
Netherlands	20,014	15,627	17,063
Canada	18,995	14,926	16,076
Norway	14,689	12,270	14,125
Australia	13,280	11,062	13,454
Japan	15,278	12,487	13,068
China	11,661	10,066	11,729
Cayman Islands	10,823	6,963	10,015
Switzerland	8,870	7,672	8,408
Saudi Arabia	11,903	6,755	7,064
UAE	9,380	7,190	7,015
Hong Kong	11,211	5,902	6,885
France	6,080	4,505	5,444
Others	72,669	55,840	54,657
Total	635,930	509,720	558,406

Table 8. Net Bond Investment by Bond Type, November 2019

(In billions of KRW)

	2018	November 2019	YTD 2019 ⁴
Korean Treasury Bonds	8,506	-387	11,673
Agency bonds ¹	7,185	-1,389	25
Monetary Stabilization Bonds ²	6,966	-1,329	85
Corporate bonds	-66	-	12
Municipal bonds ³	-	-	-
Total	15,625	-1,776	11,710

¹ Issued by qualified state-affiliated enterprises;

² Issued by the Bank of Korea;

³ Issued by local government authorities;

⁴ As of January-November for cumulative holdings



Table 9. Cumulative Bond Holdings by Bond Type, November 2019

(In billions of KRW)

	2018	November 2019
Korean Treasury Bonds	86,646	98,124
Agency bonds ¹	27,107	26,599
Monetary Stabilization Bonds ²	26,227	25,779
Corporate bonds	43	53
Municipal bonds ³	-	-
Total	113,797	124,776

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