



# Press Release

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## Foreign Investors' Stock and Bond Investment, January 2020

Foreign investors bought a net KRW408.0 billion of listed stocks and a net KRW4.6230 trillion of listed bonds in January 2020. The cumulative holdings of listed stocks came to KRW581.5 trillion in total, 33.8% of total market capitalization. Meanwhile, the bond holdings totaled KRW128.4 trillion, representing 7.0% of total listed bonds.

**Table 1. Net Stock and Bond Investment, January 2020\***

(In billions of KRW)

	2018		2019			2020		Cumulative Holdings
	Year	Year	H1	H2	Dec	Jan		
Stocks	-6,678	1,637	5,225	-3,588	810	<b>408</b>	<b>581,547</b>	
Bonds	15,625	9,219	10,939	-1,720	-2,491	<b>4,623</b>	<b>128,373</b>	
<b>Total</b>	<b>8,947</b>	<b>10,856</b>	<b>16,164</b>	<b>-5,308</b>	<b>-1,681</b>	<b>5,031</b>	<b>709,920</b>	

\*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, January 2020**

(In billions of KRW)

Net-buying		Net-selling		Net Purchases by Region	
U.K.	632	U.S.	-1,502	Europe	1,690
Luxembourg	589	UAE	-251	Middle East	-220
Cayman Islands	256	Australia	-157	U.S.	-1,502

**Table 3. Net Stock Investment, January 2020**

(In billions of KRW)

	2018		2019		2020	
	Year	Nov	Dec	Year	Jan	
Net investment	-6,678	-2,839	810	1,637	<b>408</b>	
Stock bought	541,476	39,359	39,624	448,509	<b>41,873</b>	
Stock sold	548,154	42,198	38,814	446,875	<b>41,465</b>	
Cumulative holdings		558,406	593,191		<b>581,547</b>	

**Table 4. Bond Investment Status, January 2020\***

(In billions of KRW)

Net Purchase by Region		Bond Type		Remaining Maturity	
Asia	3,273	Korean Treasury Bonds	2,390	Less than 1 year	2,807
Middle East	629	Monetary Stabilization Bonds	2,203	1-5 years	1,951
Europe	456	Corporate bonds	30	More than 5 years	-135

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



**Table 5. Net Bond Investment, January 2020**

(In billions of KRW)

	2018	2019		2020	
	Year	Nov	Dec	Year	Jan
Net investment	15,625	-1,776	-2,491	9,219	<b>4,623</b>
Net purchases	50,930	1,387	4,050	54,443	<b>6,211</b>
Redemption	35,305	3,163	6,541	45,224	<b>1,588</b>
Cumulative holdings		124,776	123,651		<b>128,373</b>

**Table 6. Net Stock Investment by Country, January 2020**

(In billions of KRW)

	2019			2020
	Year	Nov	Dec	Jan
U.K.	569	462	1,198	632
Luxembourg	1,091	514	304	589
Cayman Islands	2,036	-560	522	256
Norway	688	27	86	142
Germany	-403	159	-270	118
Belgium	230	130	51	99
Singapore	229	-375	-356	-46
Switzerland	399	-46	226	-50
Ireland	11	380	317	-68
Australia	-121	-311	397	-157
UAE	-735	32	-67	-251
U.S.	-5,569	-2,386	-2,904	-1,502
Others	3,212	-865	1,306	646
Total	1,637	-2,839	810	408



**Table 7. Cumulative Stock Holdings by Country, January 2020**

(In billions of KRW)

	2018	2019	January 2020
U.S.	218,293	251,678	246,140
U.K.	41,621	47,876	46,219
Luxembourg	31,963	38,479	38,607
Singapore	27,893	34,069	33,164
Ireland	18,684	22,391	22,993
Netherlands	15,627	18,003	19,551
Canada	14,926	17,296	17,102
Norway	12,270	15,007	15,110
Australia	11,062	14,482	14,168
Japan	12,487	13,987	13,664
China	10,066	12,534	12,090
Cayman Islands	6,963	11,136	11,180
Switzerland	7,672	9,162	8,951
Saudi Arabia	6,755	7,863	7,592
Hong Kong	5,902	8,012	7,426
UAE	7,190	7,702	7,160
France	4,505	5,836	5,094
Others	55,841	57,678	55,336
<b>Total</b>	<b>509,720</b>	<b>593,191</b>	<b>581,547</b>

**Table 8. Net Bond Investment by Bond Type, January 2020**

(In billions of KRW)

	2019	January 2020	YTD 2020 <sup>4</sup>
Korean Treasury Bonds	10,698	<b>2,390</b>	<b>2,390</b>
Agency bonds <sup>1</sup>	-1,501	<b>2,203</b>	<b>2,203</b>
Monetary Stabilization Bonds <sup>2</sup>	-1,401	<b>2,203</b>	<b>2,203</b>
Corporate bonds	22	<b>30</b>	<b>30</b>
Municipal bonds <sup>3</sup>	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,219</b>	<b>4,623</b>	<b>4,623</b>

<sup>1</sup> Issued by qualified state-affiliated enterprises;

<sup>2</sup> Issued by the Bank of Korea;

<sup>3</sup> Issued by local government authorities;

<sup>4</sup> As of January 2020 for cumulative holdings

**Table 9. Cumulative Bond Holdings by Bond Type, January 2020**

(In billions of KRW)

	2019	January 2020
Korean Treasury Bonds	<b>98,528</b>	<b>101,072</b>
Agency bonds <sup>1</sup>	<b>25,060</b>	<b>27,209</b>
Monetary Stabilization Bonds <sup>2</sup>	<b>24,281</b>	<b>26,429</b>
Corporate bonds	<b>63</b>	<b>92</b>
Municipal bonds <sup>3</sup>	-	<b>0</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>123,651</b>	<b>128,373</b>

<sup>1</sup> Issued by qualified state-affiliated enterprises;

<sup>2</sup> Issued by the Bank of Korea;

<sup>3</sup> Issued by local government authorities;



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