



## Press Release

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

Foreign investors sold a net KRW3.2250 of listed stocks but bought a net KRW570.0 billion of listed bonds in February 2020. The cumulative holdings of listed stocks came to KRW545.1 trillion in total, 33.7% of total market capitalization. Meanwhile, the bond holdings totaled KRW128.7 trillion, representing 6.9% of total listed bonds.

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

(In billions of KRW)

	2019			2020		Cumulative Holdings
	Year	H1	H2	Jan	Feb	
Stocks	1,637	5,225	-3,588	408	<b>-3,325</b>	<b>545,067</b>
Bonds	9,219	10,939	-1,720	4,623	<b>570</b>	<b>128,717</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,856</b>	<b>16,164</b>	<b>-5,308</b>	<b>5,031</b>	<b>-2,655</b>	<b>673,784</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, February 2020

(In billions of KRW)

Net-buying		Net-selling		Net Purchases by Region	
Germany	400	U.S.	-1,652	Middle East	30
Belgium	39	Luxembourg	-406	Asia	-795
International organizations	39	Malaysia	-223	U.S.	-1,652

Table 3. Net Stock Investment, February 2020

(In billions of KRW)

	2019			2020	
	Nov	Dec	Year	Jan	Feb
Net investment	-2,839	810	1,637	408	<b>-3,225</b>
Stock bought	39,359	39,624	448,509	41,873	<b>49,844</b>
Stock sold	42,198	38,814	446,875	41,465	<b>53,069</b>
Cumulative holdings	558,406	593,191		581,547	<b>545,067</b>

Table 4. Bond Investment Status, February 2020\*

(In billions of KRW)

Net Purchase by Region		Bond Type		Remaining Maturity	
Americas	667	Korean Treasury Bonds	2,014	Less than 1 year	-2,141
Asia	134	Monetary Stabilization Bonds	-1,254	1-5 years	2,250
Middle East	26	Corporate bonds	10	More than 5 years	460

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



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

(In billions of KRW)

	2019			2020	
	Nov	Dec	Year	Jan	Feb
Net investment	-1,776	-2,491	9,219	4,623	<b>570</b>
Net purchases	1,387	4,050	54,443	6,211	<b>3,479</b>
Redemption	3,163	6,541	45,224	1,588	<b>2,909</b>
Cumulative holdings	124,776	123,651		128,373	<b>128,717</b>

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

(In billions of KRW)

	2019		2020	
	Year	Dec	Jan	Feb
Germany	-403	-270	118	<b>400</b>
Belgium	230	51	99	<b>39</b>
UAE	-735	-67	-251	<b>36</b>
U.K.	569	1,198	632	<b>32</b>
Saudi Arabia	-35	61	-1	<b>23</b>
Indonesia	-97	-20	-3	<b>16</b>
Singapore	229	-356	-46	<b>-196</b>
Netherlands	448	136	62	<b>-202</b>
Cayman Islands	2,036	522	256	<b>-223</b>
Malaysia	282	45	18	<b>-223</b>
Luxembourg	1,091	304	589	<b>-406</b>
U.S.	-5,569	-2,904	-1,502	<b>-1,652</b>
Others	3,590	2,109	436	<b>-869</b>
Total	1,636	810	408	<b>-3,225</b>



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

(In billions of KRW)

	2018	2019	February 2020
U.S.	218,293	251,678	<b>230,963</b>
U.K.	41,621	47,876	<b>42,595</b>
Luxembourg	31,963	38,479	<b>36,055</b>
Singapore	27,893	34,069	<b>30,752</b>
Ireland	18,684	22,391	<b>21,806</b>
Netherlands	15,627	18,003	<b>18,979</b>
Canada	14,926	17,296	<b>16,046</b>
Norway	12,270	15,007	<b>14,136</b>
Australia	11,062	14,482	<b>13,239</b>
Japan	12,487	13,987	<b>12,570</b>
China	10,066	12,534	<b>11,296</b>
Cayman Islands	6,963	11,136	<b>10,452</b>
Switzerland	7,672	9,162	<b>8,430</b>
Saudi Arabia	6,755	7,863	<b>7,228</b>
Hong Kong	5,902	8,012	<b>6,995</b>
UAE	7,190	7,702	<b>6,687</b>
France	4,505	5,836	<b>5,476</b>
Others	55,841	57,678	<b>51,361</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>509,720</b>	<b>593,191</b>	<b>545,067</b>

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

(In billions of KRW)

	2019	February 2020	YTD 2020 <sup>4</sup>
Korean Treasury Bonds	10,698	<b>2,014</b>	<b>4,404</b>
Agency bonds <sup>1</sup>	-1,501	<b>-1,454</b>	<b>749</b>
Monetary Stabilization Bonds <sup>2</sup>	-1,401	<b>-1,254</b>	<b>949</b>
Corporate bonds	22	<b>10</b>	<b>40</b>
Municipal bonds <sup>3</sup>	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,219</b>	<b>570</b>	<b>5,193</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-February for cumulative holdings

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

(In billions of KRW)

	2019	February 2020
Korean Treasury Bonds	<b>98,528</b>	<b>102,880</b>
Agency bonds <sup>1</sup>	<b>25,060</b>	<b>25,734</b>
Monetary Stabilization Bonds <sup>2</sup>	<b>24,281</b>	<b>25,154</b>
Corporate bonds	<b>63</b>	<b>103</b>
Municipal bonds <sup>3</sup>	-	<b>0</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>123,651</b>	<b>128,717</b>

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