



# Press Release

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## Foreign Investors' Stock and Bond Investment, September 2021

Foreign investors bought a net KRW2.5050 trillion of listed stocks and a net KRW5.1720 trillion of listed bonds in September 2021. The cumulative holdings of listed stocks came in at KRW769.2 trillion in total, 28.1% of total market capitalization. Meanwhile, the bond holdings totaled KRW203.6 trillion, representing 9.2% of total listed bonds.

**Table 1. Net Stock and Bond Investment, September 2021\***

(In billions of KRW)

	2020			2021		Cumulative Holdings
	Year	H1	H2	Aug	Sep	
Stocks	-24,379	-26,143	1,764	-7,816	<b>2,505</b>	<b>769,179</b>
Bonds	24,706	22,404	2,302	1,689	<b>5,172</b>	<b>203,614</b>
Total	327	-3,739	4,066	-6,127	<b>7,677</b>	<b>972,793</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, September 2021**

(In billions of KRW)

Net-buying		Net-selling		Net Purchases by Region	
Singapore	2,079	U.K.	-411	Asia	1,422
Cayman Islands	1,356	Malaysia	-330	Americas	876
U.S.	850	Hong Kong	-324	Europe	-1,014

**Table 3. Net Stock Investment, September 2021**

(In billions of KRW)

	2020		2021		
	Dec	Year	Jul	Aug	Sep
Net investment	-2,688	-24,379	-3,778	-7,816	<b>2,505</b>
Stock bought	80,975	697,518	79,315	86,224	<b>83,491</b>
Stock sold	83,663	721,897	83,093	94,040	<b>80,986</b>
Cumulative holdings	764,329		811,008	797,895	<b>769,179</b>

**Table 4. Bond Investment Status, September 2021\***

(In billions of KRW)

Net Purchase by Region		Bond Type		Remaining Maturity	
Asia	3,267	Korean Treasury Bonds	1,482	Less than 1 year	-3,818
Europe	1,562	Monetary Stabilization Bonds	-40	1-5 years	6,633
Americas	17	Corporate bonds	0	More than 5 years	2,358

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



**Table 5. Net Bond Investment, September 2021**

(In billions of KRW)

	2020		2021		
	Dec	Year	Jul	Aug	Sep
Net investment	-194	24,706	9,290	1,689	<b>5,172</b>
Net purchases	5,867	73,905	13,312	7,330	<b>11,269</b>
Redemption	6,061	49,199	4,022	5,641	<b>6,096</b>
Cumulative holdings	150,092		195,328	197,145	<b>203,614</b>

**Table 6. Net Stock Investment by Country, September 2021**

(In billions of KRW)

	2020	2021		
	Year	Jul	Aug	Sep
Singapore	-7,856	-23	-83	<b>2,079</b>
Cayman Islands	-2,597	-438	-722	<b>1,356</b>
U.S.	-16,035	212	-1,344	<b>850</b>
Sweden	898	62	-51	<b>101</b>
Virgin Islands	-828	25	-28	<b>73</b>
Japan	-1,497	-101	-141	<b>49</b>
Luxembourg	504	-93	-870	<b>-121</b>
Saudi Arabia	883	45	-621	<b>-128</b>
France	-1,148	-367	-298	<b>-153</b>
Hong Kong	279	-125	-144	<b>-324</b>
Malaysia	134	-201	-318	<b>-330</b>
U.K.	4,039	-2,317	-1,345	<b>-411</b>
Others	-1,154	-458	-1,853	<b>-537</b>
Total	-24,379	-3,778	-7,816	<b>2,505</b>



**Table 7. Cumulative Stock Holdings by Country, September 2021**

(In billions of KRW)

	2019	2020	September 2021
U.S.	251,678	317,435	<b>314,236</b>
U.K.	47,876	61,007	<b>65,348</b>
Luxembourg	38,479	52,113	<b>53,110</b>
Singapore	34,069	40,916	<b>44,360</b>
Ireland	22,391	33,248	<b>34,271</b>
Netherlands	18,003	25,007	<b>24,051</b>
Canada	17,296	22,053	<b>21,672</b>
Norway	15,007	20,358	<b>19,542</b>
China	12,534	17,665	<b>17,296</b>
Japan	13,987	16,603	<b>16,123</b>
Australia	14,482	17,255	<b>15,914</b>
Cayman Islands	11,136	13,264	<b>14,962</b>
Switzerland	9,162	14,303	<b>14,895</b>
Saudi Arabia	7,863	12,729	<b>12,101</b>
Hong Kong	8,012	11,506	<b>11,163</b>
Kuwait	4,982	7,880	<b>9,176</b>
Sweden	4,761	7,357	<b>7,811</b>
Others	61,474	73,628	<b>73,147</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>593,191</b>	<b>764,329</b>	<b>769,179</b>

**Table 8. Net Bond Investment by Bond Type, September 2021**

(In billions of KRW)

	2020	September 2021	YTD 2021 <sup>4</sup>
Korean Treasury Bonds	21,294	<b>1,482</b>	<b>34,070</b>
Agency bonds <sup>1</sup>	3,393	<b>3,690</b>	<b>19,623</b>
Monetary Stabilization Bonds <sup>2</sup>	-1,007	<b>-40</b>	<b>11,567</b>
Corporate bonds	19	<b>0</b>	<b>-22</b>
Municipal bonds <sup>3</sup>	0	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>24,706</b>	<b>5,172</b>	<b>53,671</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-September for cumulative holdings

**Table 9. Cumulative Bond Holdings by Bond Type, September 2021**

(In billions of KRW)

	2020	September 2021
Korean Treasury Bonds	<b>121,754</b>	<b>154,743</b>
Agency bonds <sup>1</sup>	<b>28,266</b>	<b>48,820</b>
Monetary Stabilization Bonds <sup>2</sup>	<b>23,086</b>	<b>35,584</b>
Corporate bonds	<b>73</b>	<b>50</b>
Municipal bonds <sup>3</sup>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>150,092</b>	<b>203,614</b>

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