



Press Release

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Foreign Investors' Stock and Bond Investment, October 2021

Foreign investors sold KRW3.3350 trillion of listed stocks and bought a net KRW2.5170 trillion of listed bonds in October 2021. The cumulative holdings of listed stocks came in at KRW742.2 trillion in total, 27.8% of total market capitalization. Meanwhile, the bond holdings totaled KRW205.1 trillion, representing 9.2% of total listed bonds.

Table 1. Net Stock and Bond Investment, October 2021*

(In billions of KRW)

	2020			2021		Cumulative Holdings
	Year	H1	H2	Sep	Oct	
Stocks	-24,379	-26,143	1,764	2,505	-3,335	742,166
Bonds	24,706	22,404	2,302	5,172	2,517	205,145
Total	327	-3,739	4,066	7,677	-818	947,311

*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, October 2021

(In billions of KRW)

Net-buying		Net-selling		Net Purchases by Region	
Canada	454	U.S.	-1,280	Europe	-1,755
Cayman Islands	270	U.K.	-624	Americas	-830
Hong Kong	178	Singapore	-474	Asia	-674

Table 3. Net Stock Investment, October 2021

(In billions of KRW)

	2020		2021		
	Dec	Year	Aug	Sep	Oct
Net investment	-2,688	-24,379	-7,816	2,505	-3,335
Stock bought	80,975	697,518	86,224	83,491	77,499
Stock sold	83,663	721,897	94,040	80,986	80,834
Cumulative holdings	764,329		797,895	769,179	742,166

Table 4. Bond Investment Status, October 2021*

(In billions of KRW)

Net Purchase by Region		Bond Type		Remaining Maturity	
Europe	2,869	Korean Treasury Bonds	3,237	Less than 1 year	-2,718
Asia	689	Monetary Stabilization Bonds	-479	1-5 years	2,355
Middle East	122	Corporate bonds	0	More than 5 years	2,880

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



Table 5. Net Bond Investment, October 2021

(In billions of KRW)

	2020		2021		
	Dec	Year	Aug	Sep	Oct
Net investment	-194	24,706	1,689	5,172	2,517
Net purchases	5,867	73,905	7,330	11,269	4,288
Redemption	6,061	49,199	5,641	6,096	1,771
Cumulative holdings	150,092		197,145	203,614	205,145

Table 6. Net Stock Investment by Country, October 2021

(In billions of KRW)

	2020	2021		
	Year	Aug	Sep	Oct
Canada	-887	-267	10	454
Cayman Islands	-2,597	-722	1,356	270
Hong Kong	279	-144	-324	178
Ireland	1,033	-780	6	150
Bermuda	-27	-66	-66	37
Qatar	55	18	25	35
Luxembourg	504	-870	-121	-241
France	-1,148	-298	-153	-303
Netherlands	-923	130	-95	-392
Singapore	-7,856	-83	2,079	-474
U.K.	4,039	-1,345	-411	-624
U.S.	-16,035	-1,344	850	-1,280
Others	-816	-2,045	-651	-1,143
Total	-24,379	-7,816	2,505	-3,335



Table 7. Cumulative Stock Holdings by Country, October 2021

(In billions of KRW)

	2019	2020	October 2021
U.S.	251,678	317,435	301,472
U.K.	47,876	61,007	64,239
Luxembourg	38,479	52,113	51,486
Singapore	34,069	40,916	42,967
Ireland	22,391	33,248	33,458
Netherlands	18,003	25,007	22,383
Canada	17,296	22,053	21,570
Norway	15,007	20,358	19,035
China	12,534	17,665	16,433
Japan	13,987	16,603	16,237
Australia	14,482	17,255	15,337
Switzerland	9,162	14,303	14,614
Cayman Islands	11,136	13,264	14,575
Saudi Arabia	7,863	12,729	11,451
Hong Kong	8,012	11,506	10,972
Kuwait	4,982	7,880	8,787
Sweden	4,761	7,357	7,635
Others	61,474	73,628	69,513
Total	593,191	764,329	742,166

Table 8. Net Bond Investment by Bond Type, October 2021

(In billions of KRW)

	2020	October 2021	YTD 2021 ⁴
Korean Treasury Bonds	21,294	3,237	37,307
Agency bonds ¹	3,393	-719	18,904
Monetary Stabilization Bonds ²	-1,007	-479	11,088
Corporate bonds	19	0	-22
Municipal bonds ³	0	0	0
Total	24,706	2,517	56,188

¹ Issued by qualified state-affiliated enterprises;

² Issued by the Bank of Korea;

³ Issued by local government authorities;

⁴ As of January-October for cumulative holdings

Table 9. Cumulative Bond Holdings by Bond Type, October 2021

(In billions of KRW)

	2020	October 2021
Korean Treasury Bonds	121,754	157,034
Agency bonds ¹	28,266	48,061
Monetary Stabilization Bonds ²	23,086	35,065
Corporate bonds	73	50
Municipal bonds ³	0	0
Total	150,092	205,145

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