

External Sector: Balance of Payments

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€ million

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Item	2026 ³⁾		Period-to-period percentage change ⁴⁾	Year-on-year percentage change ⁴⁾
	Feb.	Jan.		
I Current account	+ 22,007	+ 18,091	.	.
Goods	+ 20,683	+ 14,616	.	.
Credit	117,350	104,750	+ 12.0	+ 1.8
Debit	96,666	90,134	+ 7.3	+ 2.0
Services	- 4,572	- 3,862	.	.
Credit	33,504	38,465	- 12.9	- 4.5
Debit	38,076	42,328	- 10.1	- 3.4
Primary income	+ 11,491	+ 14,241	.	.
Credit	33,609	33,690	- 0.2	+ 3.4
Debit	22,118	19,449	+ 13.7	+ 0.1
Secondary income	- 5,596	- 6,903	.	.
Credit	10,994	9,602	+ 14.5	+ 11.6
Debit	16,590	16,506	+ 0.5	+ 9.0
II Capital account¹⁾	- 1,274	- 1,154	.	.
Credit	8,797	15,395	- 42.9	+ 27.3
Debit	10,071	16,548	- 39.1	- 4.9
III Financial account	+ 24,192	- 18,159	.	.
Direct investment	+ 12,764	- 20,413	.	.
Domestic direct investment abroad	+ 13,340	- 29,028	.	.
Foreign direct investment in the reporting country	+ 577	- 8,615	.	.
Portfolio investment	+ 1,839	+ 2,273	.	.
Domestic investment in foreign securities (assets)	+ 29,110	+ 57,452	.	.
Foreign investment in domestic securities (liabilities)	+ 27,270	+ 55,179	.	.
Net Financial derivatives and employee stock options	+ 3,572	+ 14,245	.	.
Other investment (net)	+ 6,044	- 14,387	.	.
Other domestic investment abroad (assets)	+ 68,417	+ 137,369	.	.
Other foreign investment in the reporting country (liabilities)	+ 62,373	+ 151,757	.	.
Reserve assets (net)	- 28	+ 123	.	.
IV Errors and omissions²⁾	+ 3,459	- 35,096	.	.

1 Including net acquisition/disposal of non-produced non-financial assets. **2** Statistical errors and omissions, resulting from the difference between the balance on the financial account and the balances on the current account and the capital account. **3** Whilst the latest data are deemed provisional, data for previous periods are final unless substantial revisions occur. Furthermore, the data referring to the latest four years are revised every year in March. **4** Quoting percentage changes in net flows is not meaningful.

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Source: Deutsche Bundesbank