



Republic of Latvia

August 26 - September 6, 2024

FINANCING AND DEBT

♦ On September 4, domestic GMTN Notes due on 17th January, 2028 were offered in a competitive multiprice auction. Notes were sold in nominal value of EUR 30 million and the total demand reached EUR 123.2 million. The weighted average yield rate was 2.791%. (RĪGA, Sept 4, Treasury)

MACROECONOMICS

- ♦ Data compiled by the Central Statistical Bureau (CSB) shows that in the 2nd quarter of 2024, compared to the 2nd quarter of 2023, gross domestic product (GDP) rose by 0.5 % (according to seasonally and calendar non-adjusted data at constant prices). (Aug 30, CSB)
- ♦ The latest data of the CSB show that in August 2024, compared to August 2023, the average level of consumer prices increased by 0.7 %. (September 9, <u>CSB</u>)
- CSB calendar adjusted data at constant prices show that, compared to July 2023, in July 2024 industrial production output increased by 1.4 %. Compared to June 2024, in July 2024 industrial production output rose by 0.9 %. (Sept 3, <u>CSB</u>)
- CSB data show that 6 388 GWh of electricity were generated in 2023 (27.0 % more than in 2022), of which 4 963 GWh from renewable energy resources (renewables). The amount of electricity produced from renewables has gone up by 30.0 % (1 146 GWh) compared to 2022. Moreover, wind power and solar power plants generated 92.5 % electricity more. (Sept 6, CSB)
- ◆ CSB working-day and seasonally non-adjusted data show that in 2nd quarter of 2024 average gross wages and salaries (in full-time units) amounted to EUR 1 671. Over the year they have risen by EUR 146 or 9.6 %, which is smaller increase compared to 11.0 % recorded in Q1 2024. Hourly earnings before taxes went up to EUR 11.41 or by 8.9 %. Over the quarter, average gross earnings increased by 2.9 % and hourly earnings by 7.2 %. (Aug 28, CSB)

FINANCIAL SECTOR

♦ Latvian monetary financial institutions (mainly banks) reported EUR 331 million in profit for the first seven months of 2024, down 17.3 % from the same period year ago, the Bank of Latvia reported. In July 2024, the Latvian monetary financial institutions generated EUR 45 million in aggregate profit. (Aug 26, BoL)

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A- positive (Fitch)/ A stable (S&P) / A3 stable (Moody's)/ A stable (R&I)

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