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## Non-governmental loans up 1pct in April

At end-April 2021, loans to non-government sector granted by credit institutions increased 1.0 percent (0.6 percent in real terms) from March 2021 to RON 293,559.1 million, according to a report on Thursday of the National Bank of Romania (BNR).

RON-denominated loans, representing 70.3 percent of total volume of loans to non-government sector, moved up 1.3 percent, whilst foreign currency-denominated loans, representing 29.7 percent of total loans to non-government sector, grew 0.3 percent when expressed in RON (0.4 percent when expressed in EUR).

In year-on-year comparison, loans to non-government sector advanced 8.3 percent (4.9 percent in real terms), on the back of the 13.5 percent increase in RON-denominated loans (9.9 percent in real terms) and the 2.3 percent decrease in foreign currency-denominated loans expressed in RON (down 4.0 percent when expressed in EUR).

Credit to general government increased by 2.4 percent in April 2021 from the previous month to RON 158,176.0 million and 21.6 percent (17.8 percent in real terms) year on year.

At end-April 2021, broad money (M3) amounted to RON 503,531.7 million, up 0.9 percent (0.4 percent in real terms) month on month and 14.7 percent (11.1 percent in real terms) year on year.