



# FRENCH GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

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# EURO FLASH

French  
government  
debt news

**1** The euro is now a reality. On May 2, Heads of State and government fixed the final list of first wave EMU member states. In less than eight months, the Franc will make way for the euro.

**②** On April 10, 1998, Dominique Strauss-Kahn, Minister of the Economy, Finance and Industry, presented the new list of French Primary Dealers. Twenty institutions, ten French and ten non-residents were selected for their capacity to place, manage and strengthen the liquidity of French government debt market. Appointed for three years, they will play a key role in the changeover of

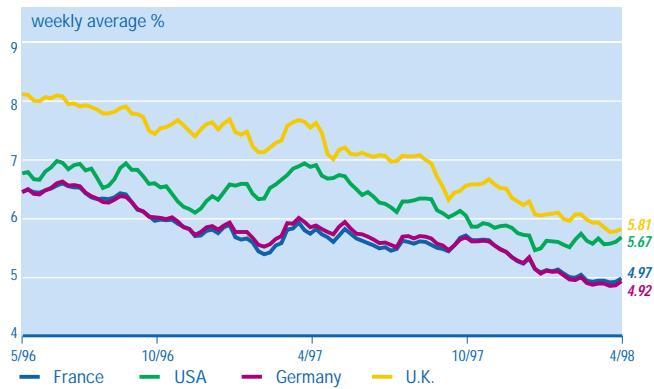
## *French government securities to the euro.*

③ The exchange offer launched on the ECU bond market on March 31, 1998, paved a very large success : investors exchanged more than 61% of eligible securities, or a nominal amount of ECU 10.46 billion, for ECU-denominated issues, that will be fully fungible with identical FRF-denominated issues on January 1, 1999.

This exchange offer enhanced the liquidity of French Government negotiable debt, and confirmed France's position as the benchmark sovereign issuer across the euro yield curve.

## THE FRENCH ECONOMY

## 10-YEAR GOVERNMENT BOND RATES

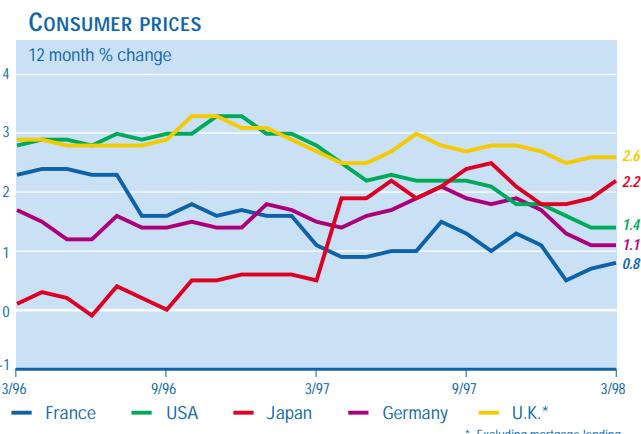


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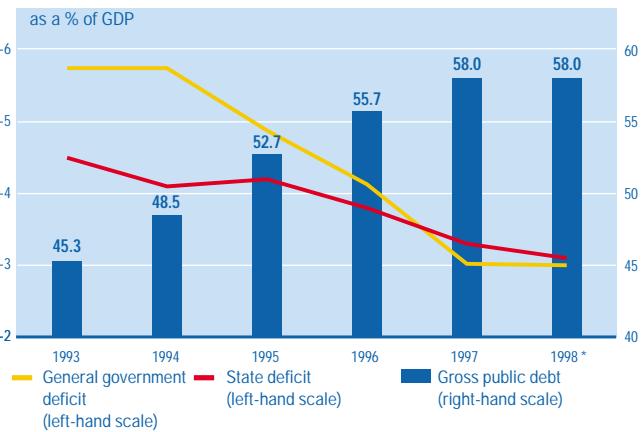
## MAIN ECONOMIC INDICATORS

real gross rate %									
	1995	1996	1997	1996 4 <sup>th</sup> Q	1997 1 <sup>st</sup> Q	1997 2 <sup>nd</sup> Q	1997 3 <sup>rd</sup> Q	1997 4 <sup>th</sup> Q	
GDP	2.1	1.6	2.3	0.3	0.2	1.1	0.9	0.8	
Imports	5.1	3.0	7.7	2.5	0.0	4.1	3.6	0.6	
Total resources	2.7	1.9	3.5	0.8	0.1	1.8	1.5	0.7	
Household's consumption	1.7	2.0	0.9	-0.6	0.3	0.1	1.1	1.0	
General government consumption	0.0	2.6	1.2	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	
Total investment (GFCF)	2.5	-0.5	0.2	0.2	-1.4	1.0	1.1	0.0	
Exports	6.3	5.2	12.1	3.1	1.5	5.9	3.4	1.3	
Inventory changes (FF billion)	14.3	-10.9	-6.9	-1.0	-2.8	-0.6	-1.2	-2.2	
Total domestic demand	1.8	0.9	0.9	0.1	-0.3	0.5	0.8	0.5	
Non-farm payrolls	0.9	-0.1	1.2	0.3	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.5	

Source: INSEE



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\*Finance Bill Forecast

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## AUCTIONS OF GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

### AUCTION CALENDAR

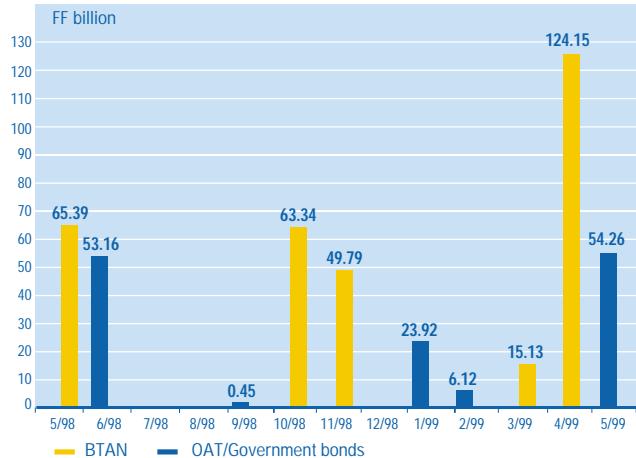
11/5/98	Settlement on	18/5/98	Settlement on	20/5/98	Settlement on	25/5/98	Settlement on	2/6/98	Settlement on	4/6/98	Settlement on
BTF 13 w. BTF 41 w.	14/5/98	BTF 13 w. BTF 26 w.	20/5/98	BTAN 2 years	28/5/98	BTF 13 w. BTF 52 w.	28/5/98	BTF 13 w. BTF 29 w.	4/6/98	OAT	11/6/98

### LAST AUCTION OAT

FF million	ECU million			
	OAT	OAT TEC 10	OAT	OAT ECU
Auction date	May 7/98 April 2008 5.25%	May 7/98 Jan. 2009 -	May 7/98 April 2009 5.50%	May 7/98 April 2008 5.25%
Issued volume announced	from 20 000 to 22 000*		from 300 to 500	
Amount bid	38 950	12 882	11 735	1 395
Amount served	13 470	3 252	5 075	431
incl. non-competitive bids	0	332	185	0
Bid-cover ratio	2.9	4.0	2.3	3.2
Stop price	101.66%	97.10%	99.10%	101.22%
Weighted average rate	5.03%	-	5.56%	5.09%
Previous auction	April 2/98	-	April 2/98	March 5/98
Weighted average rate	4.97%	-	5.51%	5.18%

\* Within a range of two to four million on TEC 2009

### MONTHLY REDEMPTION OATS, OTHER GOVERNMENT BONDS AND BTANS

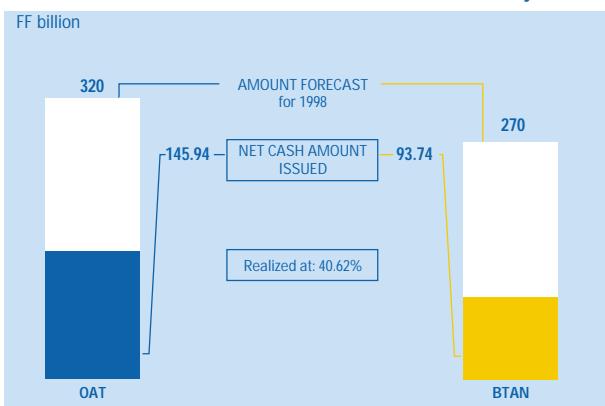


### LAST AUCTION BTAN

FF million	ECU million		
	BTAN 2 years	BTAN 5 years	BTAN ECU 5 years
Auction date	April 16/98 January 2000 4.00%	April 16/98 July 2003 4.50%	April 16/98 July 2003 4.50%
Issued volume announced	from 19 000 to 21 000		from 300 to 500
Amount bid	35 150	34 082	1 570
Amount served	11 650	10 092	400
incl. non competitive bids	1 520	532	0
Bid-cover ratio	3.0	3.4	3.9
Stop price	99.76%	99.64%	99.32%
Weighted average rate	4.14%	4.57%	4.64%
Previous auction	March 19/98	March 19/98	19/2/98
Weighted average rate	3.95%	4.49%	4.68%

### LONG AND MEDIUM TERM FINANCING FOR 1998

May 12, 1998



### LAST AUCTION BTF

FF million	BTF 7 to 8 w.	BTF 13 w.	BTF 24 to 29 w.	BTF 40 to 52 w.
6/98				
Average amount	19 007	5 003		
Weighted average rate	3.46%	3.57%		
14/4/98				
Average amount	6 025	20 069	4 003	
Weighted average rate	3.44%	3.49%	3.75%	
20/4/98				
Average amount	3 168	17 906	3 364	
Weighted average rate	3.43%	3.49%	3.63%	
27/4/98				
Average amount	7 399	14 327	4 452	
Weighted average rate	3.43%	3.48%	3.77%	

### 1998 ISSUES AND CUMULATIVE

May 12, 1998



■ Issued before 1998 in francs  
■ Issued in 1998 in francs

■ Issued before 1998 in ECU  
■ Issued in 1998 in ECU

### GOVERNMENT DEBT

FF billion	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998 April
Negotiable debt excluding FSR	2 480	2 826	3 112	3 377	3 588
Long-term debt of which OAT	1 559 1 421	1 774 1 655	2 022 1 921	2 170 2 161	2 233 2 223
Short & medium-term Treasury notes of which BTTF of which BTAN	921 239 682	1 052 292 760	1 090 271 819	1 207 270 937	1 266 363 902
Non-negotiable debt	424	425	430	411	nc
Total Government debt	2 904	3 251	3 541	3 788	nc
% of GDP excluding securities issued on behalf of the FSR	39.4%	42.6%	45.2%	46.8%	nc
Average life of negotiable debt	6 years 176 days	6 years 95 days	6 years 47 days	6 years 57 days	6 years 23 days

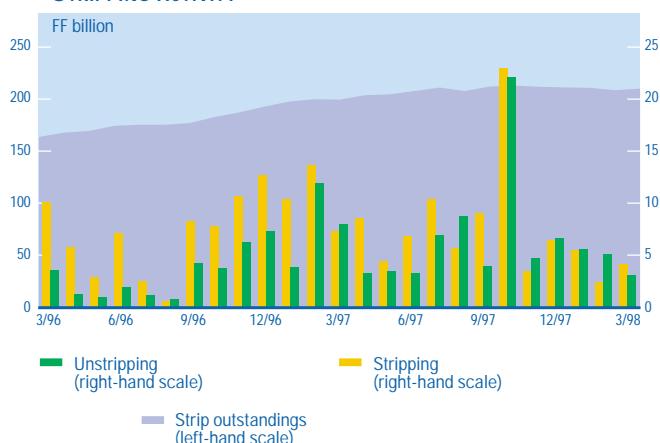
Source: SROT on 31/12/94, 95, 96 and 97

### GOVERNMENT SHARE OF GROSS BOND ISSUES



Source: Banque de France

### STRIPPING ACTIVITY



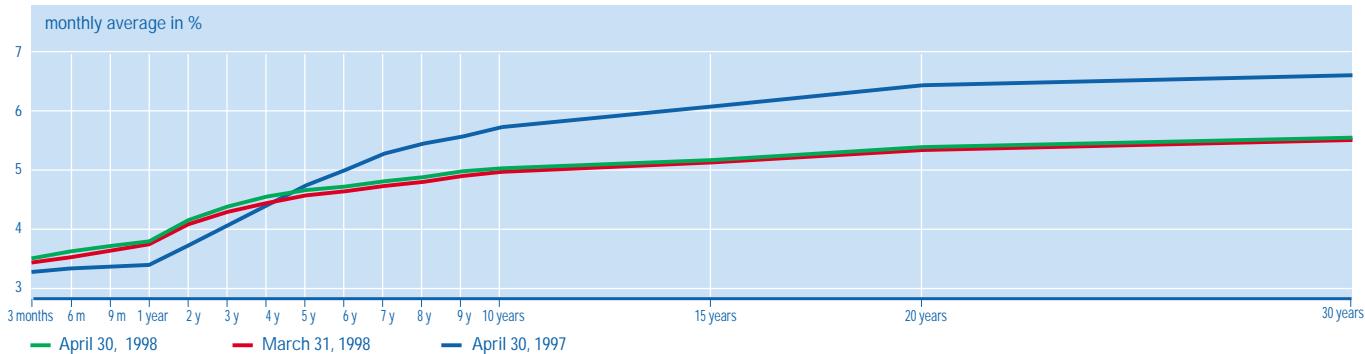
### 10-YEAR CONSTANT MATURITY TREASURY (TEC 10)



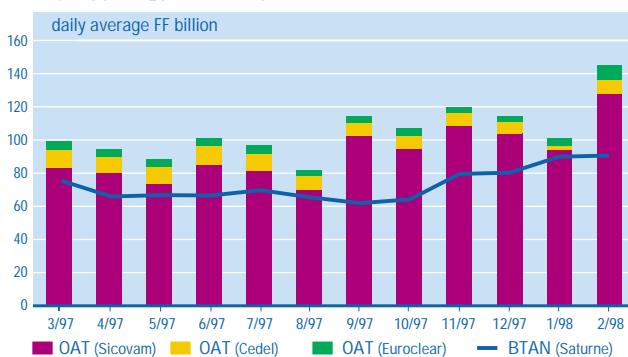
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## GOVERNMENT BOND MARKET

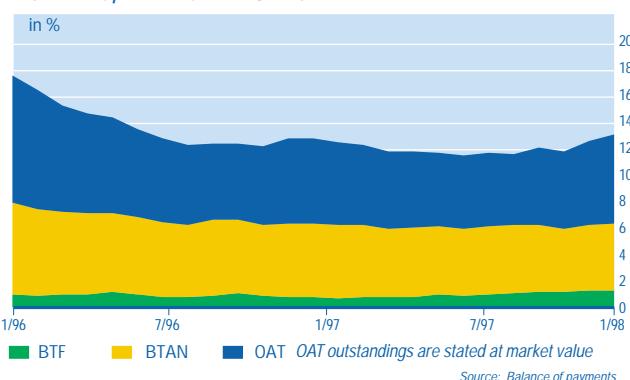
### FRENCH GOVERNMENT YIELD CURVE



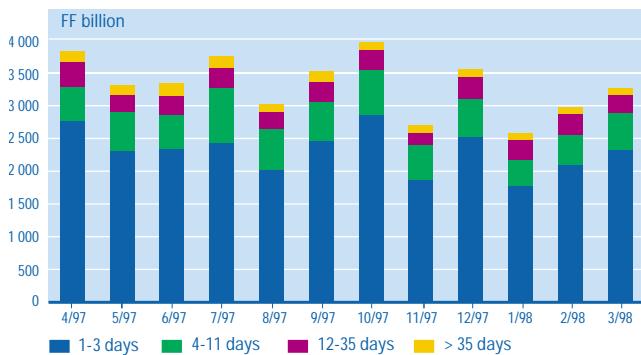
### TURNOVER ON 5 MOST LIQUID OATs AND 4 MOST LIQUID BTANs



### NON-RESIDENT HOLDINGS OF BTFs, BTANs AND OATs

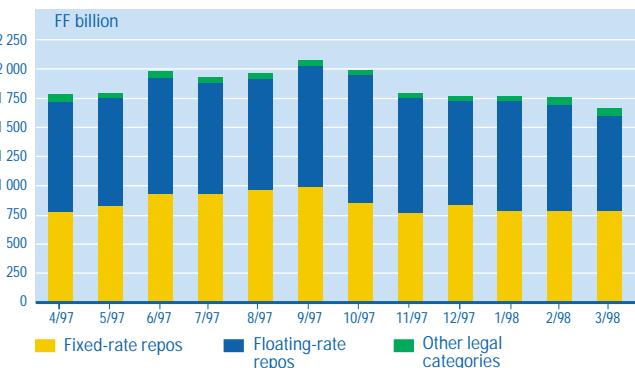


### PRIMARY DEALERS, MONTHLY FIXED-RATE TRANSACTIONS



Source: Statements by the Primary Dealers

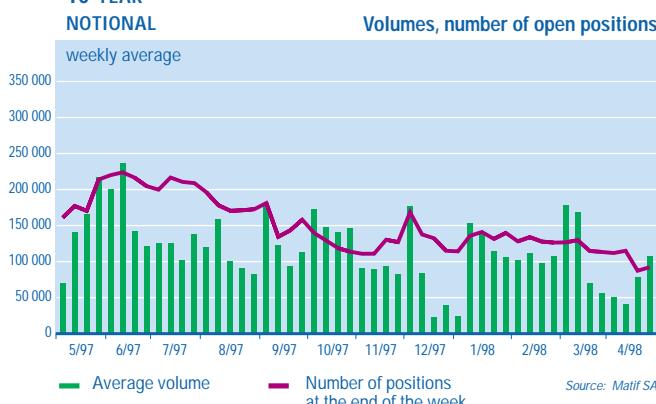
### PRIMARY DEALERS, OUTSTANDING AT END OF MONTH



Source: Statements by the Primary Dealers

## FUTURES MARKET

### 10 YEAR NOTIONAL



### KEY FIGURES

	Notional	Matif 5 years	Pibor 3 months	ECU
Number of daily contracts				
monthly average	71 921	12 095	24 309	1 857
Number of open positions at month end	92 684	46 227	256 755	5 132
Prices on most liquid issue:				
• high	June 98	June 98	June 98	June 98
• low	104.80	99.70	96.30	104.04
• last	102.31	98.60	96.16	102.36
	103.18	98.98	96.26	102.84

Source: Matif SA/FAMA

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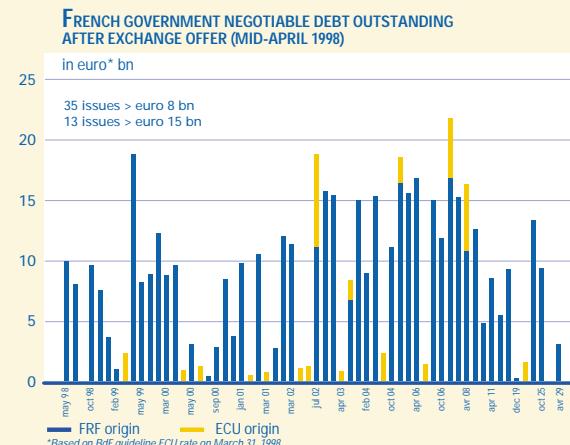
## EMU EVENTS

- ▶ **MARCH 25, 1998** European Commission and European Monetary Institute released their convergence reports. The Commission considers that eleven countries meet the requirements for participation in the single currency as of January 1, 1999. With its public deficit at 3% of GDP and public debt equal to 58%, France is, with Finland and Luxembourg, one of the three countries to have strictly met all convergence criteria. General government deficit will be entailed to 2.3% of GDP in 1999.
- ▶ **MAY 2-3, 1998** EU Heads of State and government meeting in Brussels select eleven countries, including France, for the first wave of EMU. On January 1, 1999, exchange rates between the currencies of participating countries will be irrevocably set at their ERM central rates.
- ▶ **MAY 3, 1998** Designation of the President and Executive Board of the European Central Bank. They will be appointed after hearings by European Parliament.

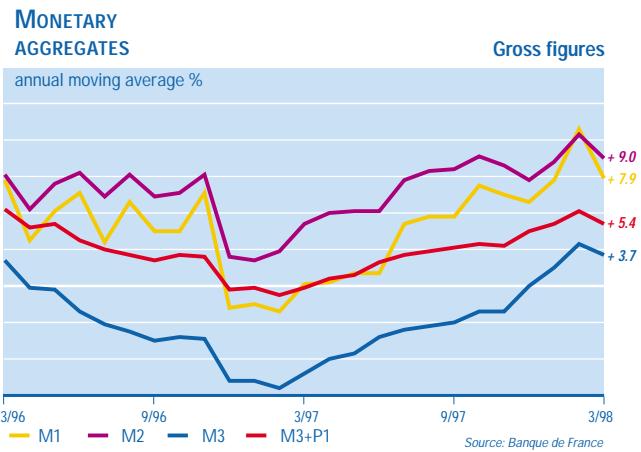
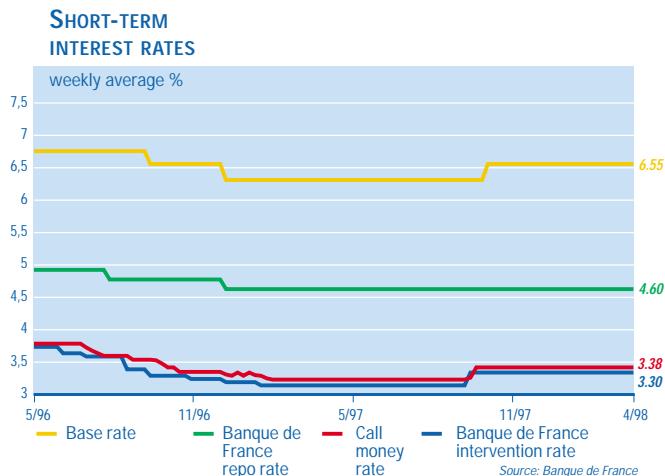
## FRENCH GOVERNMENT DEBT GEAR UP FOR THE EURO.

- ▶ **MARCH 31-APRIL 15, 1998** Launch of the largest ever exchange offer on the ECU bond market. Four fungible issues maturing in two, four, five and ten years were offered in exchange for eight non-fungible issues with an aggregate nominal value of ECU 17 billion. **The operation was an outstanding success**: ECU 10.46 billion, over 61% of the total, were exchanged by investors. With this operation, French government reinforced the liquidity of its negotiable debt, confirming its position as the benchmark sovereign issuer across the euro yield curve.
- ▶ **APRIL 10, 1998** Reselection of primary dealers in French government securities. **Twenty institutions, ten French and ten non-residents, have been appointed by the Minister**. They will be assisting the Treasury in the implementation of its issuing policy over the next three years, and will thus play a central role in the changeover of French government securities to the euro. The group includes two newcomers, Barclays Capital and HSBC James Capel Contreperte. Together with the continuing commitment of many leading institutions on the international bond markets, their participation highlights the unflagging attraction of the quality «label» attached to French Primary Dealers.

## A LIQUID, EFFICIENT AND TRANSPARENT MARKET



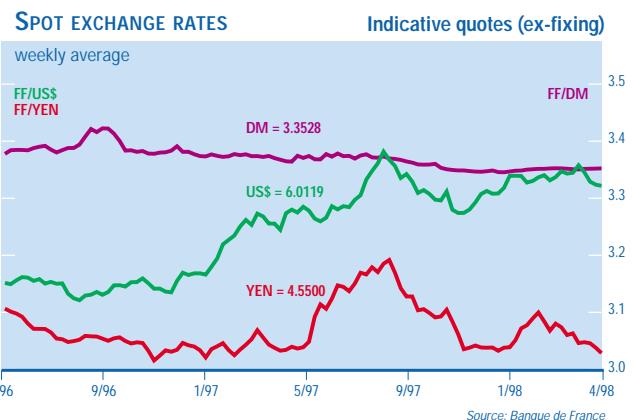
# THE FRENCH ECONOMY



**FOREIGN TRADE**

	seasonally adjusted Fob/Fob data FF billion							
	1996	1997	January 1998	February 1998	Cumulative at 28/2/98	January 1997	February 1997	Cumulative at 28/2/97
Imports	1 391.9	1 515.2	131.2	133.1	264.3	117.2	121.1	238.2
Exports	1 478.1	1 689.5	146.7	147.1	294.7	128.5	131.9	260.4
Trade balance	86.2	174.3	16.4	14.0	30.4	11.3	10.8	22.1
Current account balance	105.0	231.7	18.1	—	18.1	20.5	18.5	39.1

Source: Ministry of the Economy, Finance and Industry, and Banque de France



## TIMETABLE FOR THE RELEASE OF FRENCH ECONOMIC INDICATORS

Indicator	May 1998	June 1998	July 1998	Last published result
Consumer prices	April 98 Provisional: 13/5 Definitive: 26/5	May 98 Provisional: 12/6 Definitive: 25/6	June 98 Provisional: 10/7 Definitive: 24/7	March 98 Definitive: 0.8% y.o.
Industrial output	March 98: 20/5	April 98: 19/6	May 98: 22/7	February 98: 105.6 (s.a.)
Industrial trends: monthly index quarterly index	May 98: 28/5 May 98: 6/5	June 98: 29/6 —	July 98: 29/7 —	April 98: 29/4 May 98: 7/5
Industrial investment	April 98: 19/5	—	—	Year 1998 Forecast: + 10% (nominal)
National accounts	—	First results First quarter 98: 4/6	Detailed results First quarter 98: 9/7	Detailed results Fourth quarter 97: 27/4
Household consumption of manufactured goods	April 98: 26/5	May 98: 24/6	June 98: 23/7	Provisional result March 98: -0.1%
Consumer confidence survey	April 98: 12/5	May 98: 9/6	June 98: 8/7	March 98: - 18
Industrial sales prices	March 98: 5/5	April 98: 3/6	May 98: 2/7	March 98: 5/5
Jobless claims	April 98: 29/5	May 98: 30/6	June 98: 31/7	March 98: 12.0%
Payrolls	First quarter 98 Provisional: 15/5	First quarter 98 Definitive: 10/6	Second quarter 98 Provisional: 14/7	Definitive results Fourth quarter 97: + 0.5%
Wages quarterly statistics	First quarter 98 Provisional: 15/5	First quarter 98 Definitive: 19/6	—	Fourth quarter 97 Definitive: 20/3
Foreign trade	March 98: 27/5	April 98: 26/6	May 98: 24/7	Provisional result February 98: + 14.0 FF bn
Balance of payments	February 98: 15/5	March 98: 12/6	April 98: 10/7	January 98: + 18.1 FF bn
Foreign exchange reserves	April 98: 7/5	May 98: 12/6	June 98: 10/7	March 98: 10/4
New construction	April 98: 26/5	May 98: 23/6	June 98: 28/7	March 98: 28/4
Sales of new residential units	First quarter 98: 26/5	—	—	Fourth quarter 97: 24/2

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## LES VALEURS DU TRÉSOR

### DETTE NÉGOCEABLE DE L'ÉTAT NEGOTIABLE GOVERNMENT DEBT OUTSTANDING

#### OAT ET EMPRUNTS À MOYEN ET LONG TERME - AU 30 AVRIL 1998 OAT AND LONG AND MEDIUM TERM DEBT - APRIL 30, 1998

N° SICOVAM	Libellé de l'emprunt/Bond	ECU 000	FF 000	N° SICOVAM	Libellé de l'emprunt/Bond	ECU 000	FF 000
	<b>ÉCHÉANCE/MATURITY 1998</b>				<b>ÉCHÉANCE/MATURITY 2007</b>	<b>4 834 MECU</b>	<b>211 643 MF</b>
11048	OAT 9,5% 06-1998	53 609 MF		20752	OAT 5,5% 04-2007 <i>encours démembrés/stripped bonds</i>	111 104 524	
4326	OAT TRA 09-1998	53 162 534	446 520		OAT ECU 5,5% 04-2007 réserve FSR	(1 539 000)	
	<b>ÉCHÉANCE/MATURITY 1999</b>	<b>84 307 MF</b>		20757	OAT 5,5% 10-2007 <i>encours démembrés/stripped bonds</i>	4 834 000	
10249	OAT TMB 01-1999	23 920 834			OAT 5,5% 10-2007 réserve FSR	50 000	
11994	11% 02-1985 prorogé	6 121 904			<i>encours démembrés/stripped bonds</i>	(143 380)	
11348	OAT 8,125% 05-1999	54 264 072		20798	OAT 5,5% 10-2007 <i>encours démembrés/stripped bonds</i>	99 048 614	
	<b>ÉCHÉANCE/MATURITY 2000</b>	<b>532 MECU</b>	<b>98 522 MF</b>		OAT 5,5% 10-2007 <i>encours démembrés/stripped bonds</i>	(1 604 000)	
11641	OAT 8,5% 03-2000	57 645 000		22116	OAT 5,5% 10-2007 Particuliers nov.	812 276	
11720	OAT ECU 9,5% 04-2000 réserve FSR <i>encours démembrés/stripped bonds</i>	531 520 50 000 (64 620)		22119	OAT 5,5% 10-2007 Particuliers déc.	677 978	
4266	OAT 10% 05-2000	19 827 654			<b>ÉCHÉANCE/MATURITY 2008</b>	<b>5 236 MECU</b>	<b>154 795 MF</b>
4097	6,57% 07-84	2 649 030			OAT 5,25% 04-2008 <i>encours démembrés/stripped bonds</i>	71 777 148	
4267	OAT TRA 09-2000	18 399 974			OAT 5,25% 04-2008 particuliers avr. directement assimilable	(40 000)	
	<b>ÉCHÉANCE/MATURITY 2001</b>	<b>159 MECU</b>	<b>106 554 MF</b>	20866	OAT ECU 5,25% 04-2008 réserve FSR	5 235 644	
11350	OAT TME 01-2001	24 654 000			50 000		
11878	OAT 9,5% 01-2001	64 290 000		19377	OAT 8,5% 10-2008 <i>encours démembrés/stripped bonds</i>	83 018 272	
11860	OAT ECU 10% 02-2001 réserve FSR	158 693 50 000			(22 260 200)		
10145	OAT 7,5% 07-2001	17 610 462			<b>ÉCHÉANCE/MATURITY 2009</b>	<b>31 820 MF</b>	
	<b>ÉCHÉANCE/MATURITY 2002</b>	<b>1 619 MECU</b>	<b>103 709 MF</b>	20765	OAT TEC 10 01-2009	31 820 000	
11930	OAT ECU 8,5% 03-2002 réserve FSR	742 607 50 000			<b>ÉCHÉANCE/MATURITY 2011</b>	<b>56 307 MF</b>	
19600	OAT ECU 6,75% 04-2002 <i>encours démembrés/stripped bonds</i>	875 928 (47 910)		19759	OAT 6,5% 04-2011 <i>encours démembrés/stripped bonds</i>	56 307 000	
10247	OAT 8,5% 11-2002	103 708 946			(2 536 000)		
	<b>ÉCHÉANCE/MATURITY 2003</b>	<b>499 MECU</b>	<b>200 809 MF</b>		<b>ÉCHÉANCE/MATURITY 2012</b>	<b>35 984 MF</b>	
19385	OAT 8,5% 04-2003 <i>encours démembrés/stripped bonds</i>	101 706 306 (10 683 670)		10248	OAT 8,5% 12-2012	35 983 816	
19440	OAT ECU 8% 04-2003 réserve FSR <i>encours démembrés/stripped bonds</i>	498 617 50 000 (23 730)			<b>ÉCHÉANCE/MATURITY 2019</b>	<b>62 425 MF</b>	
19465	OAT 6,75% 10-2003 <i>encours démembrés/stripped bonds</i>	99 103 000 (3 455 500)		11349	OAT 8,5% 10-2019 <i>encours démembrés/stripped bonds</i>	61 327 998	
	<b>ÉCHÉANCE/MATURITY 2004</b>	<b>1 953 MECU</b>	<b>233 773 MF</b>	11703	9,82% 12-2019	(40 380 150)	
11351	OAT 8,25% 02-2004	59 257 000				1 097 043	
19537	OAT 5,5% 04-2004 <i>encours démembrés/stripped bonds</i>	101 121 000 (2 096 000)			<b>ÉCHÉANCE/MATURITY 2022</b>	<b>1 500 MECU</b>	<b>0 MF</b>
19520	OAT ECU 6% 04-2004 réserve FSR <i>encours démembrés/stripped bonds</i>	1 953 143 50 000 (20 900)		19328	OAT ECU 8,25% 04-2022 réserve FSR <i>encours démembrés/stripped bonds</i>	1 500 000 50 000 (315 700)	
19603	OAT 6,75% 10-2004 <i>encours démembrés/stripped bonds</i>	73 395 000 (7 802 500)			<b>ÉCHÉANCE/MATURITY 2023</b>	<b>87 952 MF</b>	
	<b>ÉCHÉANCE/MATURITY 2005</b>	<b>2 131 MECU</b>	<b>211 154 MF</b>	19313	OAT 8,5% 04-2023 <i>encours démembrés/stripped bonds</i>	87 952 000	
19643	OAT 7,5% 04-2005 <i>encours démembrés/stripped bonds</i>	108 156 858 (15 329 350)			(53 857 500)		
19719	OAT ECU 7,5% 04-2005 réserve FSR <i>encours démembrés/stripped bonds</i>	2 131 000 50 000 (77 010)			<b>ÉCHÉANCE/MATURITY 2025</b>	<b>61 771 MF</b>	
19699	OAT 7,75% 10-2005 <i>encours démembrés/stripped bonds</i>	102 997 318 (16 467 000)		19579	OAT 6% 10-2025 <i>encours démembrés/stripped bonds</i>	61 771 000	
	<b>ÉCHÉANCE/MATURITY 2006</b>	<b>1 091 MECU</b>	<b>288 122 MF</b>		(13 211 160)		
19734	OAT 7,25% 04-2006 <i>encours démembrés/stripped bonds</i>	111 080 018 (8 214 000)			<b>ÉCHÉANCE/MATURITY 2028</b>	<b>58 MF</b>	
19783	OAT ECU 7% 04-2006 réserve FSR <i>encours démembrés/stripped bonds</i>	1 091 244 50 000 (96 500)		20904	OAT zéro coupon 03-2028 (non offerte à la souscription)	57 757	
19775	OAT 6,5% 10-2006 <i>encours démembrés/stripped bonds</i>	99 063 552 (3 452 000)			<b>ÉCHÉANCE/MATURITY 2029</b>	<b>19 977 MF</b>	
19780	OAT TEC 10 10-2006 <i>encours démembrés/stripped bonds</i>	77 978 000		20891	OAT 5,5% 04-2029 <i>encours démembrés/stripped bonds</i>	19 977 000 (1 970 000)	
	<b>TOTAL *</b>				<b>19 552 MECU</b>	<b>2 103 291 MF</b>	
	<b>réserve FSR</b>				<b>550 MECU</b>	<b>0 MF</b>	
	<b>Total général en francs*</b>				<b>2 232 904 MF</b>		
	<b>encours démembrés/stripped bonds</b>				<b>790 MECU</b>	<b>204 898 MF</b>	
	<b>en % des lignes démembrables</b>				<b>4,23 %</b>	<b>14,14 %</b>	
	<i>as a % of strippable bonds</i>						

#### Durée de vie moyenne des obligations :

**8 ans et 296 jours**

Average maturity of OATs:

8 years and 296 days

**TMB :** moyenne arithmétique des taux de rendement moyens mensuels de BTF à 13 semaines constatés au cours de l'année précédant la date de mise en paiement du coupon.

**TRA :** taux révisable, en fonction des taux de rendement des emprunts d'État à taux fixe d'échéance supérieure à 7 ans, publiés par la Caisse des Dépôts et Consignations.

**TME :** moyenne arithmétique des taux de rendement moyens mensuels des emprunts d'État à taux fixe d'échéance supérieure à 7 ans sur l'année précédant la date de mise en paiement du coupon.

**TEC 10 :** taux de l'échéance constante à 10 ans.

\* Hors FSR, Excluding FSR

1 ECU = 6,6290 FF, sur la base du cours indicatif de la BDF au 30/04/98  
based on BDF guideline rate on 30/04/98.

**TMB :** the coupon rate on payment date is the arithmetic mean of the monthly average of the 13-week T-Bill auctioned weekly throughout the previous calendar year.

**TRA :** variable rate based on the yields of all fixed-rate French Government bonds (EE and OATs included) with maturities greater than 7 years, as published by the CDC.

**TME :** the coupon rate is the arithmetic mean of the monthly average of all fixed-rate French Government bonds (EE and OATs included) with maturities greater than 7 years. The coupon rate is fixed every January based on the previous calendar year.

**TEC 10 :** 10-year constant maturity Treasury.

Source : Ministère de l'Économie, des Finances et de l'Industrie

**BTAN - Au 30 AVRIL 1998**  
**TREASURY NOTES - APRIL 30, 1998**

	Échéance Maturity	Coupon nominal Rate	ECU 000	FF 000
<b>ÉCHÉANCE/MATURITY 1998</b>				
BTAN	12/05/98	8,00%	0 MECU	178 520 MF
BTAN	12/10/98	4,50%		65 392 000
BTAN	12/11/98	5,75%		63 337 000
				49 791 000
<b>ÉCHÉANCE/MATURITY 1999</b>				
BTAN ECU réserve FSR	16/03/99	5,00%	2 283 MECU 2 283 000 50 000	182 854 MF
BTAN	12/04/99	4,75%		124 152 000
BTAN	12/11/99	7,00%		58 702 000
<b>ÉCHÉANCE/MATURITY 2000</b>				
BTAN	12/01/00	4,00%	1 156 MECU	200 027 MF
BTAN	12/04/00	7,75%		80 995 000
BTAN	12/07/00	4,00%	1 155 783	63 514 000
BTAN	12/10/00	7,00%		55 518 000
<b>ÉCHÉANCE/MATURITY 2001</b>				
BTAN	12/03/01	5,75%	731MECU	148 752 MF
BTAN ECU réserve FSR	16/03/01	6,00%	731 023 50 000	69 198 000
BTAN	12/10/01	5,50%		79 554 000
<b>ÉCHÉANCE/MATURITY 2002</b>				
BTAN	12/03/02	4,75%	7 652 MECU	148 021 MF
BTAN	12/07/02	4,50%		74 651 000
BTAN ECU réserve FSR	12/07/02	4,50%	7 652 160 50 000	73 370 000
<b>ÉCHÉANCE/MATURITY 2003</b>				
BTAN	12/07/03	4,50%	1 623 MECU	44 269 MF
BTAN ECU réserve FSR	12/07/03	4,50%	1 622 987 50 000	44 269 000
<b>Durée de vie moyenne des BTAN : 2 ans et 3 jours</b>			<b>TOTAL* (a)</b>	<b>13 445 MECU</b>
Average maturity of BTANs: 2 years and 3 days			réserve FSR	200 MECU
			Total général en francs*	<b>902 443 MF</b>
				<b>991 570 MF</b>

**BTF - Au 30 AVRIL 1998**  
**TREASURY BILLS - APRIL 30, 1998**

	Échéance Maturity	FF 000
BTF	07/05/98	23 506 000
BTF	14/05/98	16 365 000
BTF	20/05/98	14 164 000
BTF	28/05/98	33 253 000
BTF	04/06/98	15 290 000
BTF	11/06/98	27 478 000
BTF	18/06/98	23 855 000
BTF	25/06/98	16 524 000
BTF	02/07/98	17 009 000
BTF	09/07/98	27 112 000
BTF	16/07/98	20 069 000
BTF	23/07/98	17 906 000
BTF	30/07/98	14 327 000
BTF	06/08/98	11 364 000
BTF	03/09/98	21 136 000
BTF	24/09/98	9 989 000
BTF	22/10/98	8 367 000
BTF	03/12/98	21 852 000
BTF	25/02/99	23 800 000

<b>Durée de vie moyenne des BTF : 86 jours</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>363 366 MF</b>
Average maturity of BTFs: 86 days		

<b>Durée de vie moyenne totale de la dette au 30/04/98 : 6 ans et 23 jours</b>	<b>Total* (a)</b>	<b>32 997 MECU</b>	<b>3 369 100 MF</b>
Average maturity of debt at 30/04/98: 6 years and 23 days	<b>Total général de la dette négociable*</b>	<b>3 587 840 MF</b>	
	<b>réserve FSR</b>	<b>750 MECU</b>	<b>0 MF</b>

\* Hors FSR, Excluding FSR

(a) 1 ECU = 6,6290 FF, sur la base du cours indicatif de la BDF au 30/04/98  
based on BDF guideline rate on 30/04/98.

Source : Ministère de l'Économie, des Finances et de l'Industrie



## FRENCH GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

### INDICATIVE CALENDAR

#### Auction and settlement dates

Second quarter 1998

Dates	BTF			BTAN*		OAT*
	13 w.	semestrial	annual	2 years 4.00% 12/01/2000	5 years 4.50% 12/07/2003	
Thursday 02/04						◇
Monday 06/04	▽	○				
Thursday 09/04	▲	●				◆
Tuesday 14/04	▽		□			
Thursday 16/04	▲		□		▽	
Monday 20/04	▽	○				
Thursday 23/04	▲	●		▽	▽	
Monday 27/04	▽		□			
Thursday 30/04	▲		□			
Monday 04/05	▽	○				◇
Thursday 07/05	▲	●				
Monday 11/05	▽		□			
Thursday 14/05	▲		□			◆
Monday 18/05	▽	○				
Wednesday 20/05	▲	●				
Monday 25/05	▽		□			
Thursday 28/05	▲		□	▽	(1)	
Tuesday 02/06	▽	○				
Thursday 04/06	▲	●				◇
Monday 08/06	▽	○				
Thursday 11/06	▲	●				◆
Monday 15/06	▽		□			
Thursday 18/06	▲		□			
Monday 22/06	▽	○				
Thursday 25/06	▲	●		▽	(1)	
Monday 29/06	▽		□			
Settlement on	02/07/1998		02/07/1998			

	Auction		Settlement
BTF	13 weeks	▽	Each Monday **
	semester	○	Generally 1 or 2 Mondays per month **
	1 year	□	Generally 1 or 2 Mondays per month **
BTAN	Jan. 12/2000	▽	Following Thursday **
	July 12/2000	○	Following Thursday **
	July 12/2003	□	Following Thursday **
OAT		◇	1 <sup>st</sup> working Thursday of the month **

\* Auction of lines in French francs or ECU

\*\* or the previous or following working day

(1) Coupon to be determined, BTAN July 12/2000

# FRENCH GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

## 1998 auction calendar

OAT AUCTION CALENDAR FOR THE YEAR	OAT in French francs or ECU 1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month	A fixed-rate 10-year line, of either the existing 5.25% April 2008 OAT or another OAT line to be opened, dated; if market conditions permit, other fixed-rate or floating-rate lines, either existing or to be opened, or indexed
SEMIESTERLY AUCTION CALENDAR	BTAN in French francs or ECU 3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month	Lines auctioned during the first half-year of 1998 • BTAN 4.00% Jan. 12/2000 • BTAN July 12/2000, to be determined • BTAN 4.50% July 12/2003
BTF QUARTERLY CALENDAR	Each Monday	BTF 13 weeks, semester, or 1 year according to the calendar on the other side.

*The Treasury reserves the right to cancel an auction listed on the calendar if exceptional market conditions warrant it or to hold an extra auction according to its borrowing needs and market trends.*

*Furthermore, the Treasury reserves the right to create new, long- or medium-term French franc or ECU issues during the year, or to issue further tranches of previous issues in accordance with market conditions. The Treasury also reserves the right to use banking syndicate issue procedures.*

*The exact nature of the Treasury issues will be communicated to the market in the days preceding each auction with information on the volume of the issues.*

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BANQUE CPR	CPRL	CPRF	CPRAB	CPRRE	CPRSTRIP	CPRLE
BANQUE D'ESCOMpte	BEPG	BEPG	BEPF	BEPV	BEPS	
BANQUE LEHMAN BROTHERS S.A.	LBBTF1	LBBTAN1/2	LBOAT1/2	LBECU1/2		LBWE
BANQUE PARIBAS	PBAM	PBAAB	PBAGH	PBEA		PBPFI/I
BARCLAYS CAPITAL FRANCE S.A.	BZWPL	BZWVT	BZWVUV	BZWT	BZVTR/S	BZWPL
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CDC MARCHÉS	CDCFRF	CDCBTAN	CDCOAT1	CDCECU1	CDCSTRIP1	CDCFRF
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DRESDNER KLEINWORT BENSON	DRBBTF	DRBBTAN	DRBOAT1/2	DRBECU	DRBSTRIP1/2	DRBREPO
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