# Statistical Release

Securities Holdings Statistics - Q4 2023

April 2024

## **Key Points**

- The market value of Irish resident holdings of securities stood at €4,600 Bn at end-Q4 2023 (*Chart 1*), an increase of 4.7% over the guarter, and 12.4% since Q4 2022.
- Holdings of listed shares by Irish residents stood at €1,640 Bn at end-Q4 2023. This is an increase of 21.9% over the past year.

This increase was driven by holdings of US issued non-financial sector shares, which went from €581 Bn in 2022-Q4 to €773 Bn in 2023-Q4.

- Holdings of Investment and Money Market fund shares stood at €646 Bn at end-Q4 2023, this
  was a drop of 3.3% from Q4 2022, primarily driven by a drop of €15.9 Bn in money market
  shares.
- Irish resident households held €15.2 Bn of securities with domestic custodians at end-Q4 2023. This represents a 10.1% increase over the quarter and over the year this sector has increased by 27.5%, with listed shares the largest type of holding.

**Chart 1:** Total Securities Holdings of Irish Residents



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#### Chart 2

 The proportion of debt securities by nominal currency has remained consistent throughout 2023.

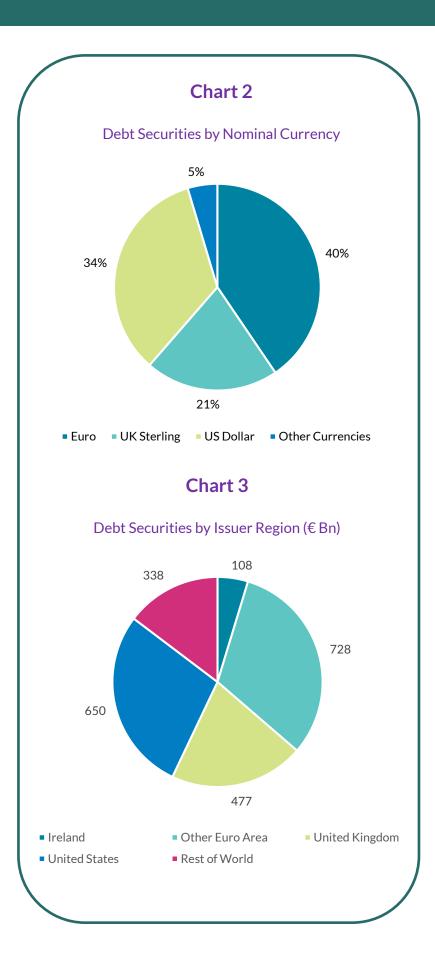
The Euro, US Dollar and UK Sterling are still the 3 major currencies of denomination- with other currencies only making up for 5% of the total distribution.

Chart 2 Figures: (€Mn)

Euro	932,532
US Dollar	781,780
UK Sterling	480,803
Other	106,823

#### Chart 3

- 32% of the total debt securities holdings were issued by Other Euro Area countries
- Irish issued securities account for 4.7% of the total debt holdings





**Chart 4:** Sector Holding By Instrument Type (€Bn)

- Investment Funds are by far the largest holder sector -holding 70% of the overall total.
- Listed Shares are the main source of holdings for Irish households; making up over half (57%) of the households total

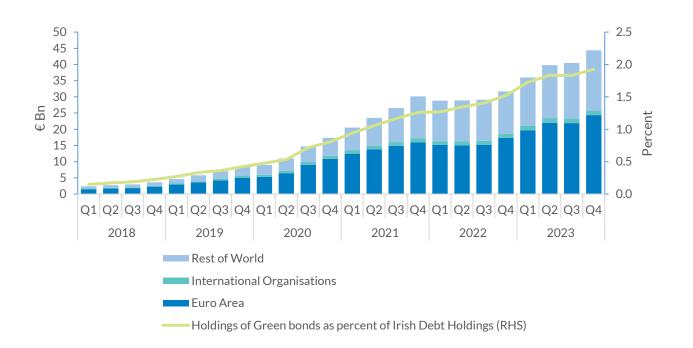
#### **Totals**

Investment Funds	€ 3,246,209
Money Market Funds	€ 470,129
Other Financial Sectors	€ 756,858
Non-Financial Corporations	€ 2,596
Households	€ 15,237

## Chart 5: Evolution of Holdings by Irish Residents of Green Bonds

Irish resident holders held €44.4 Bn of green bonds at end Q4 2023, of which
 €35.2 Bn were held by Irish resident investment funds.

These green bonds account for 1.9% of total debt securities held by Irish resident holders- an increase from 1.1% since Q4 2020



Quar	ter on Quarter (2023)	End Year on End Year	Green Bond % of Total Holdings
Q1	€36.0 Bn	2020 €17.3 Bn	2020 0.8 %
Q2	€39.8 Bn	2021 €22.5 Bn	2021 1.3 %
Q3	€40.5 Bn	2022 €31.6 Bn	2022 1.5 %
Q4	€44.4 Bn	2023 €44.4 Bn	2023 1.9 %