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Provisional estimates of narrow money (notes & coin and M0): January 2006

Provisional figures for January indicate that, seasonally adjusted, **notes and coin** in circulation were on average 2.0% higher than a month earlier. The twelve-month growth rate rose to 3.9%, from 2.4% (2.8%) in December.

Total **M0** (including banks' operational deposits as well as notes and coin) increased by 2.3%, seasonally adjusted, in January. The twelve-month growth rate rose to 6.5%, from 4.6% (5.0%) in December.

(Previous growth rates as published on 09 January 2006 are shown in brackets)

Table A: Notes & Coin and M0 ^(a)
Seasonally adjusted

		Notes & coin ^(b)				Banks' operational deposits ^(c)			M0		
		Average amount		Growth rates		Average amount		Average amount		Growth rates	
		outstanding	Change	Per cent	Per cent	outstanding	Change	outstanding	Change	1m	12m
		£ millions	£ millions	1m	12m	£ millions	£ millions	£ millions	£ millions	1m	12m
2005	Oct	43 456	124	0.3	3.6	755	26	44 211	151	0.3	5.3
	Nov	43 620	164	0.4	3.9	759	4	44 379	168	0.4	5.5
	Dec	43 150	-470	-1.1	2.4	1062	303	44 212	-167	-0.4	4.6
2006	Jan	44 026	876	2.0	3.9	1183	121	45 210	998	2.3	6.5

(a) Data in **bold italics** are where the current estimate of the change differs by more than 0.2 per cent of the underlying level or the growth rate (outstanding) differs by 0.2 percentage points (per cent) or more from the most recent published estimate. Further details on revisions are available separately.

(b) An adjusted version of notes and coin is available. See Notes to Editors 2.

(c) This series has not been seasonally adjusted as, after examination, it was found not to be significantly seasonal. This series will be reviewed for along with all other series on a regular basis.

Chart 1: Growth rates of notes and coin

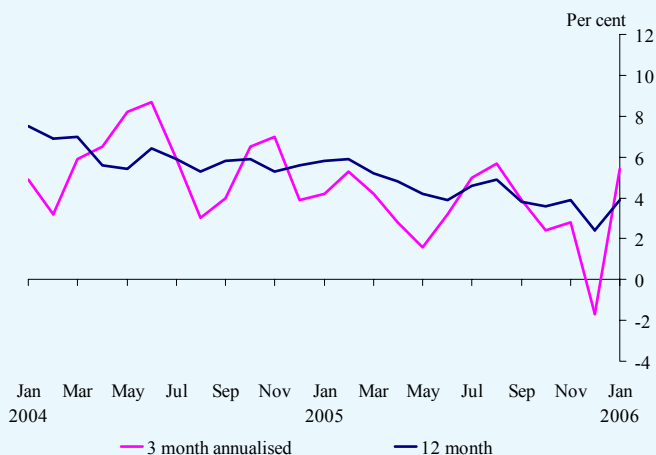
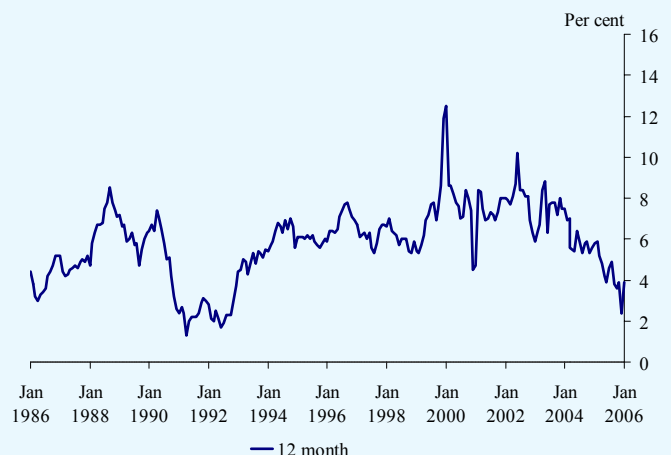


Chart 2: Growth rate of notes and coin long run



Notes to Editors

- 1 M0 comprises notes and coin in circulation outside the Bank of England (including those held in banks' and building societies' tills), plus banks' operational deposits with the Bank of England. Further information on M0, notes and coin and calculations of growth rates can be found in Bank of England *Monetary and Financial Statistics*, or via the following links:
www.bankofengland.co.uk/mfsd/iadb/notesiadb/m0.htm
www.bankofengland.co.uk/mfsd/iadb/notesiadb/growth_rates.htm
- 2 An adjusted version of notes and coin is also available on the Bank's Statistical Interactive Database, see note 3. This series excludes Bank estimates of the effects of specific non-seasonal events on the level of notes and coin in circulation. To date, the series has been adjusted for the effects of: the £1 note write-off in 1998; the funding of the winter fuel payments; the turn of the millennium; the fuel dispute of 2000; and the threatened strike action affecting note distributors in 2003.
The relevant codes are:

LPMB8H4	(Amounts outstanding)
LPMB8H5	(Changes)
LPMB7H5	(1 month growth rate)
LPMB7H7	(3 month annualised growth rate)
LPMB7H9	(6 month annualised growth rate)
LPMB8H3	(12 month growth rate)
- 3 The Statistical Interactive Database provides long runs of statistical data with comprehensive search options and the ability to download in a variety of formats. This database can be accessed at www.bankofengland.co.uk/mfsd/iadb. The tables shown separately illustrate the codes for each series which can be used for downloading long runs from the database.