

Viet Nam

Local currency (LCY) bonds outstanding in Viet Nam expanded to VND744.6 trillion (US\$35.3 billion) at end-March, rising 23.0% quarter-on-quarter (q-o-q) and 17.8% year-on-year (y-o-y) due to robust growth in the government sector. Issuance of short-term central bank bills (28- and 91-day) reached a record-high of VND173.8 trillion in 1Q14.

Table 1: Size and Composition of the LCY Bond Market in Viet Nam

	Outstanding Amount (billion)						Growth Rate (%)			
	1Q13		4Q13		1Q14		1Q13		1Q14	
	VND	US\$	VND	US\$	VND	US\$	q-o-q	y-o-y	q-o-q	y-o-y
Total	632,319	30	605,204	29	744,589	35	20.8	53.3	23.0	17.8
Government	610,310	29	590,884	28	732,069	35	21.8	64.6	23.9	20.0
Treasury Bonds	310,537	15	336,920	16	373,960	18	21.8	87.1	11.0	20.4
Central Bank Bonds	112,857	5	38,499	2	147,004	7	92.7	270.3	281.8	30.3
State-Owned Enterprise Bonds	186,916	9	215,466	10	211,104	10	(0.3)	7.2	(2.0)	12.9
Corporate	22,009	1	14,320	0.7	12,520	0.6	(1.6)	(47.2)	(12.6)	(43.1)

() = negative, LCY = local currency, q-o-q = quarter-on-quarter, y-o-y = year-on-year.

Notes:

1. Bloomberg LP end-of-period LCY-US\$ rates are used.

2. Growth rates are calculated from LCY base and do not include currency effects.

Source: Bloomberg LP.

As of end-March, a total of 14 issuers comprised the entire corporate bond sector in Viet Nam. Corporate bonds outstanding amounted to VND12.5 trillion, which was down 12.6% q-o-q and 43.1% y-o-y.

Table 2: Corporate Issuers of LCY Corporate Bonds in Viet Nam

	Issuers	Outstanding Amount		State-Owned	Listed Company	Type of Industry
		LCY Bonds (VND billion)	LCY Bonds (US\$ billion)			
1.	Techcom Bank	3,000.00	0.14	No	No	Finance
2.	Asia Commercial Joint Stock	3,000.00	0.14	No	Yes	Finance
3.	HAGL JSC	2,480.00	0.12	No	Yes	Real Estate
4.	Vincom	1,000.00	0.05	No	Yes	Real Estate
5.	Vinpearl	1,000.00	0.05	No	Yes	Resorts and Theme Parks
6.	Kinh Bac City Development	500.00	0.02	No	Yes	Real Estate
7.	Development Investment	350.00	0.02	No	No	Building and Construction
8.	Binh Chanh Construction	300.00	0.01	No	Yes	Building and Construction
9.	Saigon Telecommunication	300.00	0.01	No	No	Computer Services
10.	Quoc Cuong Gia	150.00	0.01	No	Yes	Building and Construction
11.	Lam Son Sugar	150.00	0.01	No	No	Diversified
12.	Tan Tao Investment	130.00	0.01	No	No	Real Estate
13.	Ho Chi Minh City Securities	110.00	0.01	No	No	Finance
14.	Phu Hoang Anh	50.00	0.002	No	No	Real Estate
	Total LCY Corporate Issuers	12,520.0	0.59			
	Total LCY Corporate Bonds	12,520.0	0.59			
	% of Total LCY Corporate Bonds	100.0%	100.0%			

LCY = local currency.

Notes:

1. Data as of end-March 2014.

2. State-owned firms are defined as those in which the government has more than a 50% ownership stake.

Source: AsianBondsOnline calculations based on Bloomberg data.