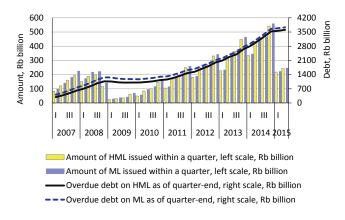
## **HOUSING MORTGAGE IN THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION IN Q2 2015** G.Zadonsky

In Q2 2015, housing mortgage loans (HML) totaling to Rb 242.53bn were originated which was 44.23% lower than the same index for Q2 2014. The volume of residual debt on HML as of 1 July 2015 constituted Rb 3.608 trillion. The share the ruble stale debt on HML in the residual debt came to 0.98% as of 1 July 2015 against 0.92% as of 1 April 2015. As of 1 July 2015, the share of debt on default HML with past-due payments of 180 days and more went up to 2.08% of the total debt amount. The weighted average interest rate on ruble-denominated HML issued in June 2015 constituted 13.29% and the weighted average interest rate for half year – 14.4%. In the course of Q2 2015, in the framework of the state program of subsidizing interest rates of the residential mortgage loans extended for purchasing accommodation in the new housing construction sector (interest rate not more than 12%) a total number of 52 thousand loans were originated totaling to Rb 90bn which constitute 38% of the total HML amount originated over this period.

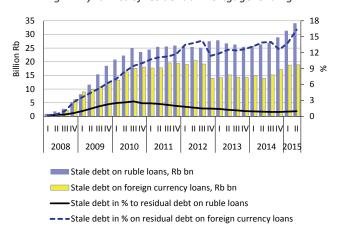
According to the Central Bank of Russia in H1 2015, credit institutions issued 288,032 mortgage loans (ML) in the amount of Rb 470.56bn. Of that amount, in Q2 credit institutions originated 149,079 ML to the tune of Rb 247.10bn. In H1 2015, 280,485 mortgage loans totaling to Rb 460.66bn were originated, of which in Q2 - 145,301 mortgage loans were originated totaling to Rb 242.53bn. The amount of HML originated in Q2 was by 44.23% less the amount of loans originated in Q2 2014, whereas the amount of HML originated in Q2 2014 by 37.8% exceeded the data for Q2 2014. The share of foreign currency denominated mortgage loans originated in H1 2015 in the aggregate mortgage portfolio constituted 0.37% in monetary terms against 0.48% for H1 2014. The amount of residual debt on HML as of 1 July 2015 came to Rb 3.61bn of which Rb 3.49 trillion on loans denominated in rubles (Fig. 1). At the same time, the amount of debt outstanding on HML in foreign currency of the overall debt constitutes 3.41%, down 0.09 p.p. as of 1 July 2014.

According to the CBR, stale debt on HML as of 1 July 2015 totaled to Rb 53.0bn (Rb34.11bn in ruble loans and Rb18.89bn in loans in foreign currency). Whereas, stale debt on HML in rubles as of 1 July 2015 went up in comparison with stale debt as of 1 April 2015 by 8.83% in monetary terms, and as a share on residual debt (0.98%) went up by 0.06 p.p. Stale debt on HML in foreign currency during the same period increased by 0.48% in monetary terms and increased by 2.43 p.p. as a share of residual debt (16.32%). (Fig.2).

According to the CBR, total debt on HML without past-due payments as of 1 July 2015 came to Rb 3,392.49bn, going up compared to 1 July 2014 by Rb 498.46bn and decreasing from the total debt by 1.28 p.p. to 94.02% (Fig.3). Within the same period, debt on HML with 1 to 30 days with past-due payments



Source: Central Bank of Russia Fig. 1. Dynamics of residential mortgage lending



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Fig. 2. Dynamics of stale debt on HML as of quarter-end

reached Rb 90.93bn, up Rb 27.157bn and constituted 2.52% of the overall debt, by 0.43 p.p. exceeding the indictor as of 1 July 2014. Regarding default HML (loans with overdue payments of 180 days and more) the debt went up by Rb 22.52bn and came to 2.08% of

the overall indebtedness, which by 0.35 p.p. exceeds corresponding indicator as of 1 July 2014 (Fig.3).

According the CBR in H1 2015, the weighted average interest rate on HML in rubles extended within a month reached its highest (14.71%) level in February 2015, and in June fell to 13.29% (Fig. 4). The weighted average interest rate on HML extended from the turn of the year in rubles for the period-end results for H1 2015 came to 14.04%.

According to the CBR in H1 2015, the lowest weighted average interest rate in the mortgage lending market denominated in rubles provided by credit institutions ranked from 21 to 200 place by their asset size came to 13.8%, meanwhile depository institutions ranked from 201 to 500 place by asset size has the highest rate of 16.6% in contrast to the average market interest rate of 14.04%. The weighted average interest rate on HML in foreign currency extended from the turn of the year, within H1 2015 constituted 10.1% against 9.5% for the same period of 2014. The lowest interest rate in foreign currency of the major five banks as of 1 July 2015 constituted 8.4% and the highest interest rate of 12.8% was true of the banks ranked 201-500.

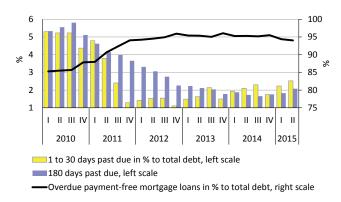
The weighted average loan period for mortgage loans originated from the turn of the year, as of 1 July 2015 fell in comparison with 1 April 2014 on the ruble loans by 0.40% to 14.44 years, and on the loans in foreign currency over the same period grew by 20.53% to 4.21 years.

The average loan amount in rubles originated in H1 2015 dwindled compared to H1 2014 across all regions of the Russian Federation except Moscow. As in H1 2014, the lowest loan amounts (Rb1.29mn) were originated in the Volga federal region, and the largest loan (Rb3.69mn) amounts were issued in Moscow.

The weighted average interest rates on ruble-denominated HML as of 1 July 2015 went up compared to 1 July 2014 across all regions with the lowest rate of 13.85% in St. Petersburg (Fig. 5).

According to the Ministry of Finance of Russia, in the framework of the State Program on interest rates subsidization for newly constructed building mortgage loans (rate not more than 12%) over Q2 2015 52,000 mortgage loans were originated totaling over Rb 90.0bn, which constitutes 38% of the originated mortgage loans amount over this period.

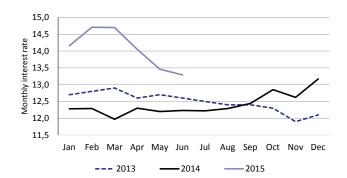
Over January–July 2015, 12 mortgage-backed securities issues totaling to Rb 52.88bn were placed in the residential mortgage-backed securities market. In the course of H1 2014, 12 mortgage-backed securities issues were originated with aggregate volume of Rb 108.0bn.



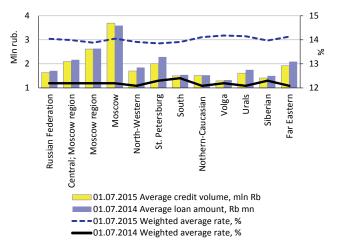
Source: Central Bank of Russia

Fig. 3. Debt on HML grouped by payment

delay terms as of quarter-end



Source: Central Bank of Russia
Fig. 4. Average interest rate on HML
in rubles issued within month



Source: Central Bank of Russia
Fig. 5. Weighted average data on mortgage loans
in rubles originated from the turn of the year