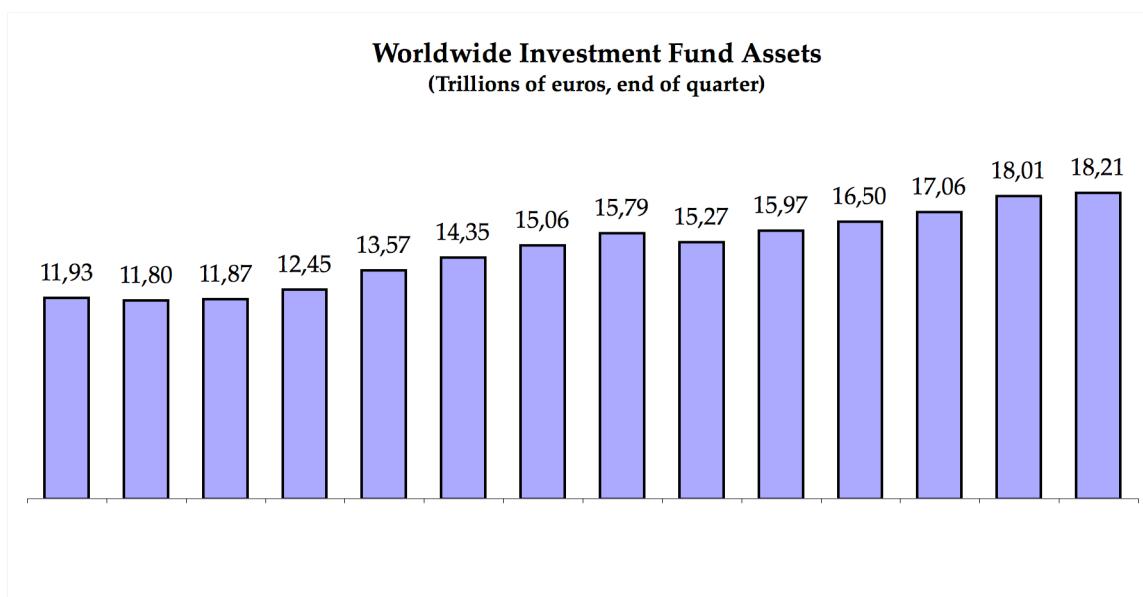


Worldwide Investment Fund Assets and Flows **Trends in the Third Quarter 2007**

Brussels, 7 February 2008. Investment fund assets worldwide increased by 1.1 percent to €18.2 trillion at the end of the third quarter of 2007. Net cash flow to all funds worldwide was €261 billion in the third quarter, falling below €300 billion for the first time since the third quarter of 2006. Inflows to long-term funds were nearly down 85 percent to €56 billion in the third quarter of 2007, from €263 billion in the second quarter of 2007. Bond funds were responsible for a substantial part of the decline, whereas inflows to money market funds more than doubled in the third quarter.

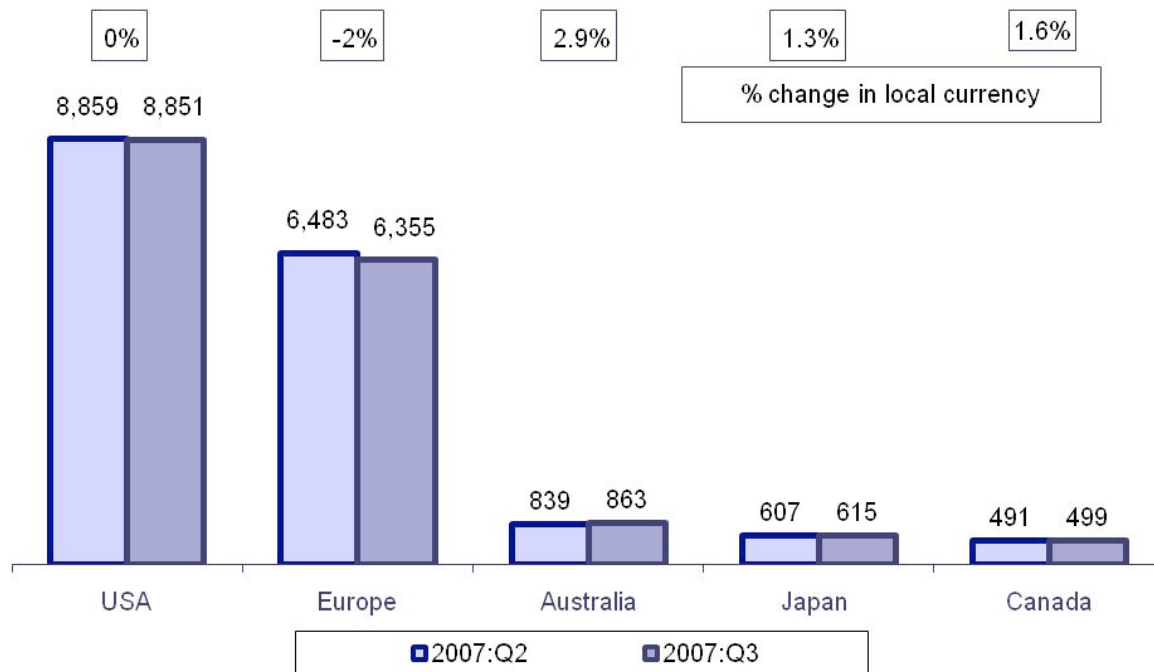
The information presented in this report was compiled by EFAMA and the Investment Company Institute on behalf of the International Investment Funds Association, an organization of national investment fund associations. The collection for the third quarter of 2007 includes statistics from 43 countries.



Growth in total net assets in the third quarter of 2007 was boosted by the inclusion of investment assets from China, which reported data for the first time. Excluding Chinese investment funds, total net assets

would have declined by 0.5 percent in the third quarter. Measured in dollars, total net assets increased worldwide by 6.2% reflecting the depreciation of the U.S. dollar.

Geographical Trends in Investment Fund Assets at 2007:Q3
(Billions of euro, end of quarter)



Geographical Trends by Type of Fund, 2007:Q3
(Billions of euros, end of quarter)

	USA	Europe ⁽¹⁾	Japan	Canada
Equity	4,736	2,400	415	230
% chg in EUR (2)	-2%	0%	2%	-5%
% chg in loc. cur. (3)	3%	0%	-1%	-7%
Bond	1,158	1,241	62	29
% chg in EUR (2)	-2%	-3%	-8%	-22%
% chg in loc. cur. (3)	3%	-3%	-10%	-24%
Money Market	2,012	918	18	34
% chg in EUR (2)	7%	-2%	5%	-1%
% chg in loc. cur. (3)	12%	-2%	1%	-2%
Balanced / Mixed	502	858	--	201
% chg in EUR (2)	-3%	-1%	--	16%
% chg in loc. cur. (3)	2%	-1%	--	13%
Other ⁽⁴⁾	442	349	121	4
% chg in EUR (2)	2%	2%	6%	10%
% chg in loc. cur. (3)	7%	2%	4%	9%

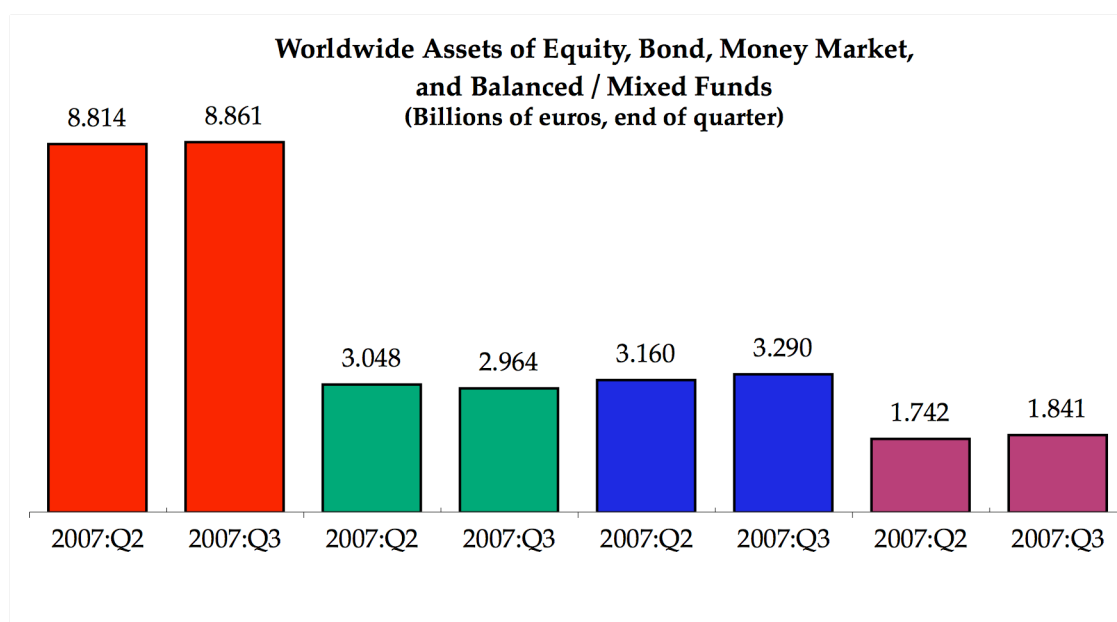
(1) Excluding Ireland for which no data breakdown is available.

(2) 2007:Q2 compared to 2007:Q1.

(3) 2007:Q2 compared to 2007:Q1, using the euro as the local currency for Europe.

(4) Including funds of funds.

Assets of equity funds grew by 0.5 percent, with €8.9 trillion in assets at the end of the third quarter of 2007. Bond funds were down by 2.7 percent and money market funds grew by 4.1 percent in the quarter. Assets of balanced/mixed funds increased 5.7 percent to €1.8 trillion at the end of the third quarter.



Net Sales of Investment Funds
(Billions of euros)

	USA								Europe (1)								World (2)							
	2006				2007				2006				2007				2006				2007			
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Equity	82	23	14	55	54	27	9		83	2	21	28	-3	-4	-22		205	58	50	116	90	77	23	
Bond	27	8	20	31	44	42	15		22	-7	-8	-2	9	12	-46		54	-4	6	31	53	72	-37	
Money Market	4	46	79	112	51	74	227		13	15	23	-6	53	26	-20		23	56	97	111	102	103	205	
Balanced / Mixed	3	2	3	8	10	7	5		47	28	13	18	33	28	5		61	38	29	35	53	43	17	
Other (3)	25	20	16	27	28	25	20		21	16	13	19	16	23	23		61	50	43	68	70	71	53	
Total	141	99	133	234	187	175	275		187	54	61	57	107	84	-61		404	199	226	361	368	366	261	

(1) For Austria, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and UK.

(2) 33 countries reported in 2006:Q1, Q2 2006, and 34 countries in 2006:Q3, 2006:Q4, 2007:Q1 and 2007:Q2. Assets of reporting countries represented 91 percent of all countries at the end of 2007:Q2.

(3) Including net sales of funds of funds.

Net sales are new sales plus reinvested dividends less redemptions plus net exchanges.

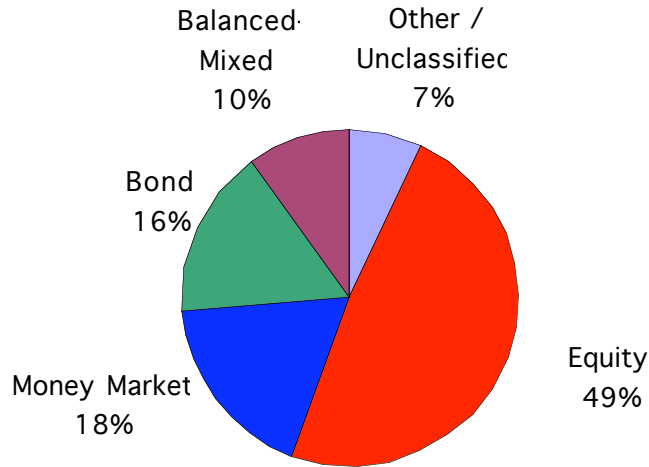
Net cash flow to investment funds worldwide was €261 billion in the third quarter of 2007, with both long-term funds and money market funds experiencing aggregate net inflows. Equity fund flows worldwide were €23 billion in the third quarter, down from €77 billion in the second quarter of 2007. The United States accounted for €9 billion of equity flows in the third quarter and the Asia/Pacific region for €35 billion of equity flows in the third quarter of 2007, compared to €27 billion and €50 billion, respectively, in the second quarter. Europe registered a net outflow of €22 billion from equity funds in the third quarter, compared to a net outflow of €4 billion in the second quarter.

Bond funds experienced €37 billion in net outflows in the third quarter of 2007, compared to net inflows of €72 billion in the second quarter of 2007. Net outflows from European bond funds were €46 billion in the third quarter, compared to net inflows of €12 billion in the second quarter. The Asia Pacific region also registered €1.2 billion in net outflows in the third quarter, compared to net inflows of €14 billion in the second quarter. Net inflows to bond funds in the United States were €15 billion in the third quarter, down from €42 billion in the second quarter.

Worldwide inflows to balanced funds were €17 billion in the third quarter, with €5 billion attributable to Europe. Net flows into money market funds were €205 billion in the third quarter, almost twice as high as the rate of inflows over the previous four quarters. Net flows into money market funds in the United States jumped to €227 billion from €75 billion in the third quarter of 2007. The rest of the world experienced net outflows from money market fund in the third quarter. In particular, European money market funds had net outflows of €20 billion in the third quarter versus net inflows of €26 billion in the second quarter.

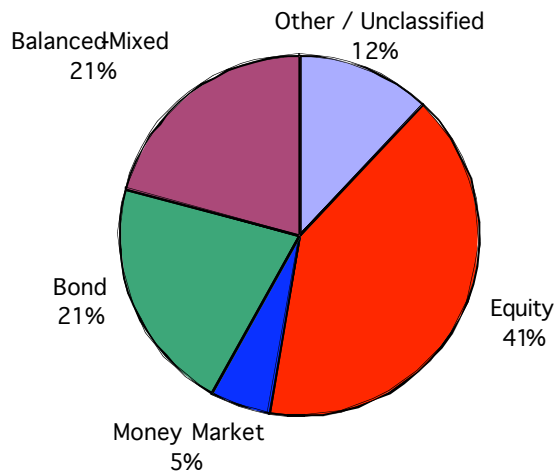
At the end of September 2007, assets of equity funds represented 49 percent of all worldwide investment fund assets. The asset share of bond funds was 16 percent and money market funds were 18 percent of the total. Balanced/mixed fund assets represented 10 percent of the total.

**Composition of Worldwide Investment Fund Asset,
2007:Q3**
(Percent of total assets, end of quarter)

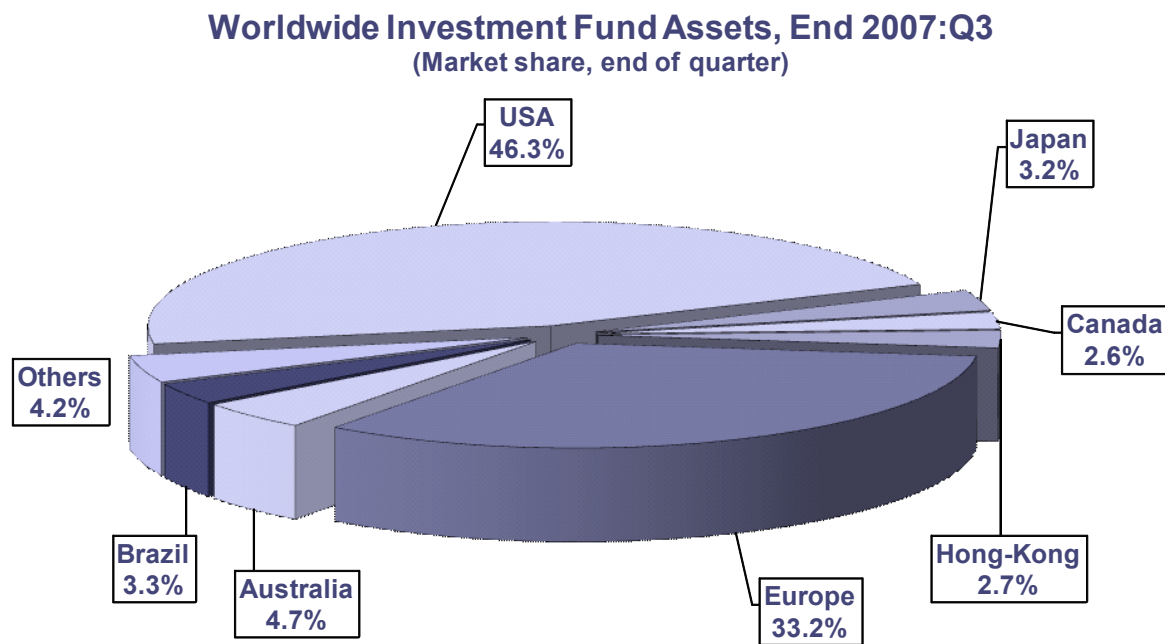


At the end of September 2007, the number of investment funds worldwide stood at 64,063. By type of fund, 41 percent were equity funds, 21 percent were bond funds, 21 percent were balanced/mixed funds, and 5 percent were money market funds.

Composition of Worldwide Investment Funds, 2007:Q3
(Percent of funds, end of quarter)



Looking at the worldwide distribution of investment fund assets, the United States and Europe held the largest share in the world market, 46.3 percent and 33.2 percent, respectively. Australia, Japan, Brazil, Hong-Kong and Canada follow in this ranking. Taking into account non-UCITS assets, the market share of Europe reached 38.8 percent and that of the United States 42.4 percent.⁴



⁴ Assets of UCITS and non-UCITS funds in Europe at end September 2007 are provided in Table 6 in annex.

Table 1

TOTAL NET ASSETS, 2002-2007:Q3

Billions of U.S. dollars, end of period

ITEM	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006		2007		
					Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3
All Reporting Countries¹	11,324	14,048	16,165	17,771	20,219	21,728	22,797	24,314	25,824
Equity	4,204	5,923	7,219	8,333	9,556	10,504	11,013	11,903	12,565
Bond	2,534	3,047	3,313	3,450	3,710	3,870	4,006	4,116	4,202
Money Market	3,190	3,206	3,323	3,364	3,685	3,864	4,063	4,267	4,665
Balanced/Mixed	918	1,198	1,445	1,566	1,923	2,048	2,187	2,352	2,610
Other	229	311	398	512	619	675	706	793	862
Countries Reporting in Every Period²	10,767	13,300	15,246	16,731	18,859	20,275	21,277	22,678	23,746
Equity	4,084	5,766	7,031	8,123	9,290	10,209	10,712	11,571	11,973
Bond	2,462	2,953	3,217	3,339	3,587	3,752	3,889	3,993	4,053
Money Market	3,159	3,157	3,254	3,289	3,571	3,736	3,934	4,132	4,535
Balanced/Mixed	860	1,128	1,364	1,485	1,812	1,924	2,060	2,215	2,348
Other	202	296	380	495	599	654	682	766	837

Source: National mutual fund associations; EFAMA provides data for all European countries except Romania and Russia.

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Table 2

NET SALES,¹ 2003-2007:Q3

Billions of U.S. dollars

ITEM	2003	2004	2005	2006	2006		2007		
					Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3
All Reporting Countries²	317	457	971	1,299	252	404	416	432	318
Equity	283	357	416	535	65	150	118	103	31
Bond	177	109	224	108	8	40	69	98	-51
Money Market	-212	-120	120	365	124	143	134	138	282
Balanced/Mixed	56	82	108	203	38	45	69	58	23
Other	14	29	102	88	18	26	26	35	33
Countries Reporting in Every Period³	165	307	672	951	206	331	317	310	266
Equity	250	298	317	414	53	123	111	92	35
Bond	86	62	91	78	18	38	48	59	-26
Money Market	-218	-131	128	336	117	147	113	124	257
Balanced/Mixed	40	69	112	102	14	20	35	22	-5
Other	6	8	23	21	5	4	10	12	5

Source: National mutual fund associations; EFAMA provides data for all European countries except Romania and Russia.

¹ Net sales are new sales plus reinvested dividends less redemptions plus net exchanges.² Components may not sum to total because of rounding or unclassified funds.³ Number of countries is 18. Components may not sum to total because of rounding.

Table 3

NUMBER OF FUNDS, 2002-2007:Q3

End of period

ITEM	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006		2007		
					Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3
All Reporting Countries¹	54,110	54,569	54,982	56,868	59,761	61,498	62,512	63,292	64,063
Equity	22,974	22,688	22,362	23,264	24,572	25,583	25,599	25,947	26,060
Bond	11,619	11,886	13,309	13,231	13,455	13,557	13,498	13,420	13,517
Money Market	4,394	4,974	3,623	3,536	3,498	3,407	3,406	3,382	3,447
Balanced/Mixed	11,228	11,465	11,603	11,393	11,992	12,515	13,069	13,072	13,334
Other	1,310	1,578	1,997	3,317	3,969	4,097	4,521	4,996	5,174
Countries Reporting in Every Period²	42,393	41,689	42,354	42,427	44,011	44,985	45,318	45,723	46,837
Equity	20,808	20,018	19,918	20,044	20,734	21,555	21,341	21,477	21,703
Bond	9,946	9,847	9,961	10,004	10,222	10,291	10,299	10,261	10,443
Money Market	2,674	2,652	2,899	2,799	2,710	2,595	2,589	2,569	2,661
Balanced/Mixed	7,723	7,857	8,095	7,857	8,335	8,465	8,784	8,975	9,511
Other	1,242	1,315	1,481	1,723	2,010	2,079	2,305	2,441	2,519

Source: National mutual fund associations; EFAMA provides data for all European countries except Romania and Russia.

¹ Components may not sum to total because of unclassified funds.² Number of countries is 24.

Table 4

TOTAL NET ASSETS, 2002-2007:Q3

Billions of euros, end of period

ITEM	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006		2007		
					Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3
All Reporting Countries¹	10,798	11,123	11,868	15,064	15,971	16,498	17,117	18,004	18,213
Equity	4,008	4,690	5,300	7,063	7,548	7,976	8,269	8,814	8,861
Bond	2,417	2,413	2,432	2,924	2,930	2,938	3,008	3,048	2,964
Money Market	3,041	2,539	2,439	2,852	2,911	2,934	3,050	3,160	3,290
Balanced/Mixed	875	948	1,061	1,328	1,519	1,555	1,642	1,742	1,841
Other	218	246	292	434	489	513	530	587	608
Countries Reporting in Every Period²	10,267	10,530	11,193	14,183	14,835	15,948	16,736	16,792	16,747
Equity	3,894	4,565	5,162	6,886	7,338	7,752	8,043	8,568	8,444
Bond	2,347	2,338	2,362	2,831	2,833	2,849	2,920	2,957	2,859
Money Market	3,013	2,500	2,389	2,788	2,821	2,836	2,954	3,060	3,199
Balanced/Mixed	820	893	1,002	1,259	1,432	1,461	1,546	1,640	1,656
Other	193	234	279	420	473	496	512	567	590

Source: National mutual fund associations; EFAMA provides data for all European countries except Romania and Russia.

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Table 5

NET SALES,¹ 2003-2007:Q3

Billions of euros

ITEM	2003	2004	2005	2006	2006		2007		
					Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3
All Reporting Countries²	279	362	785	1,039	198	314	318	321	231
Equity	245	286	337	431	51	116	90	77	23
Bond	160	86	177	88	6	31	53	72	-37
Money Market	-186	-98	102	288	97	111	102	103	205
Balanced/Mixed	48	65	88	163	29	35	53	43	17
Other	12	24	82	70	14	20	20	26	24
Countries Reporting in Every Period³	110	241	543	767	164	263	252	230	194
Equity	171	237	257	333	41	96	86	68	26
Bond	93	48	71	62	14	30	37	44	-19
Money Market	-181	-106	108	264	91	114	88	92	187
Balanced/Mixed	24	55	90	83	11	16	27	16	-3
Other	3	7	19	17	4	3	8	9	4

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Table 6

TOTAL NET ASSETS OF THE EUROPEAN INVESTMENT FUND INDUSTRY, End 2007:Q3

	Overall Fund Industry			UCITS Market ¹			Non-UCITS Market ²		
	Number of funds	Net assets		Number of funds	Net assets		Number of funds	Net assets	
		in mio euro	in mio US \$		in mio euro	in mio US \$		in mio euro	in mio US \$
Austria	2,270	171,262	242,832	1,493	115,953	164,410	777	55,309	78,422
Belgium	1,812	131,077	185,854	1,778	124,571	176,629	34	6,506	9,225
Czech Republic	88	5,842	8,283	87	5,818	8,249	1	24	34
Denmark	767	133,647	189,498	508	72,608	102,951	259	61,038	86,546
Finland	504	68,534	97,174	373	57,184	81,081	131	11,350	16,093
France	11,821	1,566,000	2,220,431	8,182	1,407,000	1,994,985	3,639	159,000	225,446
Germany	5,826	1,050,982	1,490,187	1,521	270,276	383,225	4,305	780,706	1,106,962
Greece	274	24,341	34,513	264	23,440	33,235	10	901	1,277
Hungary	299	12,340	17,497	254	9,646	13,677	45	2,694	3,820
Ireland	4,356	819,211	1,161,559	2,531	649,211	920,516	1,825	170,000	241,043
Italy	1,285	353,501	501,229	943	299,432	424,565	342	54,069	76,664
Liechtenstein	439	19,125	27,117	377	17,624	24,989	62	1,500	2,128
Luxembourg	10,415	2,059,144	2,919,660	8,510	1,840,279	2,609,332	1,905	218,865	310,329
Netherlands	0	96,778	137,221	0	83,448	118,321	0	13,330	18,900
Norway	511	50,315	71,342	511	50,315	71,342	0	0	0
Poland	309	36,682	52,012	178	31,726	44,984	131	4,957	7,028
Portugal	477	38,224	54,198	213	24,010	34,043	264	14,214	20,155
Slovakia	115	3,811	5,403	66	3,664	5,196	49	147	208
Spain	2,953	288,416	408,945	2,922	279,010	395,608	31	9,406	13,337
Sweden	540	147,860	209,650	517	143,410	203,341	23	4,450	6,309
Switzerland	784	157,996	224,022	582	121,490	172,261	202	36,506	51,761
Turkey	335	16,965	24,055	287	14,526	20,597	48	2,439	3,458
United Kingdom	2,831	864,963	1,226,431	2,342	712,669	1,010,494	489	152,293	215,937
Europe ³	49,011	8,117,015	11,509,115	34,439	6,357,312	9,014,032	14,572	1,759,703	2,495,083

Source: EFAMA

¹ In the sense of publicly offered open-end investment funds (transferable securities and money market instruments), including funds-of-funds assets.² In the sense of nationally regulated investment funds for which a classification in terms of market exposure (equity, bond, balanced and money market) is not possible.³ Data for Romania and Russia are not included in this table.