

EMEA RMBS And ABS Monitor Q1 2025

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Key Takeaways

- During Q1 2025, rating actions were down 9% quarter-on-quarter to 144, primarily due to fewer upgrades (49, compared to 64 in the previous quarter). Affirmations increased to 86 from 82 due to new issuances from existing platforms/trusts, which led to the affirmation of the outstanding notes. Downgrades decreased to nine from 13 quarter-on-quarter. The affected tranches related to 29 transactions, representing 6% of our rated ABS and RMBS universe.
- We reviewed eight ABS and 96 RMBS transactions--23% of our total rated ABS and RMBS universe--through rating actions and our annual review surveillance process.
- The number of new transactions we rated slightly increased to 14, compared to 13 in Q4 2024. We rated four new ABS (Q4 2024: four) and 10 new RMBS (Q4 2024: nine) transactions.
- New RMBS transactions comprised mainly U.K. and Dutch assets, with ABS assets primarily from Germany.
- Rating actions mainly covered affirmations (60% of classes reviewed) and upgrades (34%). Only 6% of the rating actions we took were negative, primarily affecting classes originally rated from 'B (sf)' to 'CCC (sf)', with rating downgrades at investment-grade primarily limited to one class of notes.
- Rating action severities were 1.9 notches for downgrades and 2.7 notches for upgrades.
- Most RMBS upgrades were concentrated in U.K. transactions (44%), followed by Spain (41%), and Netherlands (12%). U.K. and Irish transactions accounted for all RMBS downgrades, all but one related to nonconforming transactions.
- We upgraded 15 ABS tranches and affirmed four tranches. No negative actions were taken on ABS transactions. Upgrades spanned multiple asset classes and jurisdictions, including auto loans and auto lease and equipment.

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