

# FPI selloff hits FMCG, power stocks in Jun 1st half

Fast-moving consumer goods (FMCG), power and consumer durables stocks bore the brunt of foreign portfolio investor (FPI) selling in the first two weeks of June. FPIs were net sellers to the tune of ₹5,404 crore on the first fortnight of June. FPIs were net sellers (buying-selling) of FMCG stocks worth ₹3,626 crore, power stocks worth ₹3,120 crore, and consumer durables shares worth ₹1,893 crore. Information technology (₹1,713 crore), and consumer services (₹1,461 crore) were the other sectors where FPIs sold heavily. "The volume growth in the FMCG sector is going to be in poor single digits in the June quarter despite inflation falling and expectations of a good monsoon," said G Chokalingam, founder of Equinomics Research. Meanwhile, FPIs were net buyers of financial services stocks worth ₹4,685 crore, chemicals worth ₹1,405 crore, and oil and gas stocks worth ₹1,199 crore. Capital goods, at ₹1,191 crore, and realty, at ₹431 crore, were the other sectors where FPIs were significant buyers. Financial Services has the highest sectoral allocation of FPIs at 29.8 per cent, down from 31.7 per cent at the end of May. Despite selling, the sectoral allocation towards IT rose to 8.38 per cent from 8.24 per cent as of May. The allocation towards oil and gas stocks declined to 7.21 per cent from 7.22 per cent.

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## Ebb and flow

Sectors that saw highest inflows and outflows

### Net inflows (₹ cr)

Financials	4,685
Chemicals	1,405
Oil & gas	1,199
Capital goods	1,191
Realty	431

### Net outflows (₹ cr)

FMCG	-3,626
Power	-3,120
Consumer durables	-1,893
IT	-1,713
Consumer services	-1,461

Note: Data for the period June 1 to 15

Sources: Primeinfobase, NSDL