

## **UPDATE ON RESERVE MONEY**

## AS AT 26<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2021

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- 1. Reserve money for the week ending 26<sup>th</sup> February 2021 increased by ZW\$2.47 billion, to ZW\$22.38 billion, largely reflecting an increase of ZW\$2.28 billion in statutory required reserves.
- 2. The increase in statutory required reserves followed the adjustment in the statutory reserve ratio, from 2.5% to 5% for demand and/or call deposits, which was announced in the Monetary Policy Statement of 18<sup>th</sup> February 2021.

## 3. The Table 1: Reserve Money Developments (ZW\$ Billions)

					PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES					
	Jun-20	Jul-20	Aug-20	Sep-20	Oct-20	Nov-20	Dec-20*	Week Ending 29 Jan-21	Week Ending 19 Feb-21	Week Ending 26 Feb-21
Currency Issued by RBZ	1.67	1.90	2.06	2.14	2.12	2.13	2.38	2.81	2.93	2.95
Banking Sector Deposits at RBZ	10.42	11.46	10.06	10.25	13.38	15.91	16.38	19.12	16.98	19.43
Statutory (Required) Reserves	0.89	1.05	1.24	1.40	1.68	2.01	2.20	2.44	2.52	4.80
Banks' RTGS Liquidity	9.53	10.41	8.83	8.85	11.70	13.90	14.18	16.68	14.46	14.63
Other Deposits	0.58	2.79	0.26	0.34	0.02	0.38	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Reserve Money	12.65	16.15	12.38	12.73	15.52	18.42	18.76	21.93	19.91	22.38
Memorandum Items										

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	Jun-20	Jul-20	Aug-20	Sep-20	Oct-20	Nov-20	Dec-20*	Week Ending 29 Jan-21	Week Ending 19 Feb-21	Week Ending 26 Feb-21
Currency Issued/Reserve Money Ratio (%)	13.2	11.8	16.6	16.8	13.7	11.6	12.67	12.79	14.73	13.17
Currency in Circulation /Deposits Ratio (%)	1.2	0.9	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.6	1.2	1.1	1.3	1.3
Monthly Change in RTGS Balances (%)	-10.9	-9.2	-15.2	0.3	32.2	18.8	-8.03	20.71	6.01	1.19
Monthly Change in Reserve Money (%)	-8.4	27.6	-23.3	2.8	21.9	18.7	-5.59	17.86	5.31	12.40
Government Deposits at RBZ (Stock)	7.46	6.02	9.52	10.45	5.47	4.65	6.74	10.46	8.48	10.06
Monthly Inflation (%) – ZW\$ CPI	31.7	35.5	8.4	3.8	4.4	3.2	4.2	5.4	3.5	3.5
Monthly Inflation (%) - Blended	29.4	16.7	1.4	-0.5	1.4	2.2	2.8	2.8	0.7	0.7
Inter-Bank Exchange Rate	57.36	76.76	83.40	81.44	81.35	81.82	81.79	82.68	83.76	83.89

<sup>\*</sup>Provisional until audit is completed.