



UPDATE ON RESERVE MONEY

AS AT 7TH APRIL 2023

RESERVE MONEY

1. Reserve money declined by ZW\$5.54 billion to ZW\$227.37 billion during the week ending 7th April 2023, compared to the previous week's position of ZW\$232.91 billion.
2. The decline in reserve money was largely a result of a decrease of ZW\$5.60 billion in foreign currency statutory reserves. Partially offsetting this decline were marginal increases in currency issued and local currency statutory reserves of ZW\$29.59 million and ZW\$22.26 million, respectively.
3. Banks' liquidity (RTGS Balances) at Reserve Bank remained largely unchanged at the previous week's position.

Table 1: Reserve Money Developments (ZW\$ Billions)

| | | | | | | | | PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES | | |
|---------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------------------|--------|--------|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| | Aug-22 | Sep-22 | Oct-22 | Nov-22 | Dec-22 ⁱ | Jan-23 | Feb-23 | Week Ending 24-Mar-23 | Week Ending 31-Mar-23 | Week Ending 7-Apr-23 |
| Currency Issued by RBZ | 6.65 | 6.84 | 7.11 | 7.36 | 7.57 | 7.54 | 8.03 | 8.48 | 8.51 | 8.54 |
| Banking Sector Deposits at RBZ | 30.81 | 80.26 | 85.16 | 91.50 | 96.47 | 115.46 | 196.01 | 216.39 | 224.38 | 218.81 |
| <i>Statutory (Required) Reserves</i> | 30.69 | 80.16 | 85.06 | 91.40 | 96.37 | 115.36 | 195.91 | 216.28 | 224.28 | 218.71 |
| <i>of which stat reserves - ZWL</i> | | 36.21 | 39.25 | 45.03 | 51.08 | 56.11 | 63.03 | 69.56 | 72.74 | 72.76 |
| <i>of which stat reserves - FCA</i> | | 43.95 | 45.80 | 46.37 | 45.29 | 59.24 | 132.88 | 146.72 | 151.55 | 145.95 |
| <i>Banks' RTGS Liquidity</i> | 0.12 | 0.10 | 0.10 | 0.10 | 0.10 | 0.10 | 0.10 | 0.11 | 0.10 | 0.10 |
| <i>Other Deposits</i> | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Reserve Money | 37.47 | 87.10 | 92.27 | 98.86 | 104.04 | 123.00 | 204.04 | 224.90 | 232.91 | 227.37 |

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| Currency Issued/ Reserve Money Ratio (%) | 17.76 | 7.85 | 7.71 | 7.44 | 7.28 | 6.13 | 3.93 | 3.77 | 3.65 | 3.76 |
| Currency Issued /Deposits Ratio (%) | 0.57 | 0.41 | 0.38 | 0.37 | 0.33 | 0.29 | 0.28 | 0.26 | 0.20 | 0.26 |
| Monthly Change in RTGS Balances (%) | 21.19 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.07 | -0.07 | 0.00 | -9.82 | -0.02 |
| Monthly Change in Reserve Money (%) | 5.47 | 132.47 | 5.94 | 7.15 | 5.24 | 18.22 | 65.89 | 6.98 | 3.56 | -2.38 |
| Government Deposits at RBZ (Stock) | 106.44 | 129.39 | 156.14 | 175.27 | 150.85 | 271.36 | 467.95 | 362.65 | 397.39 | 425.09 |
| Monthly Inflation (%) - Blended | 6.60 | 2.50 | 3.20 | 1.37 | 1.26 | 0.73 | -1.61 | 0.13 | 0.13 | 2.36 |
| Inter-Bank Exchange Rate | 546.83 | 621.89 | 632.77 | 654.93 | 684.33 | 796.52 | 889.13 | 916.11 | 929.86 | 945.94 |

ⁱ December 2022 figures are provisional until completion of the audit process.