

## **News Release**

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## **BANK OF JAMAICA**

NET INTERNATIONAL RESERVES AND BASE MONEY INDICATORS

## **BASE MONEY INDICATORS (J\$M)**

	End <u>April 2022</u>	End <u>May 2022</u>	Change
Uses:			
Net Currency Issue Total Currency Issue Notes Issue Coins Issue CBDC Issue	<b>203,870.16</b> 203,948.01 198,050.61 5,891.40 6.00	<b>205,164.22</b> 205,242.77 199,078.29 5,949.30 215.19	<b>1,294.06</b> 1,294.76 1,027.68 57.90 209.19
Less: Currency held by BOJ	77.85	78.55	0.70
Commercial Banks' Statutory Reserves Commercial Banks' Current Account <sup>1</sup> Monetary Base <sup>2</sup>	45,410.61 52,951.86 302,232.63	45,021.10 46,423.30 296,608.62	-389.51 -6,528.56 -5,624.01
Sources:			
<b>Net International Reserves</b> Assets Liabilities	<b>577,965.86</b> 674,443.92 96,478.06	<b>577,725.96</b> 672,691.18 94,965.22	<b>-239.90</b> -1,752.74 -1,512.84
Net Domestic Assets Net Claims on the Public Sector Open Market Operations Net Credit to Commercial Banks Other	-275,733.23 156,658.96 -135,349.54 -86,728.91 -210,313.75	-281,117.35 150,320.20 -140,499.54 -87,180.29 -203,757.72	<b>-5,384.11</b> -6,338.76 -5,150.00 -451.38 6,556.03
Total	302,232.63	296,608.62	-5,624.01
<ul> <li>Note: Statutory cash reserve and current accounts of commercial banks are held at the Bank of Jamaica.</li> <li>Transaction balances and excess reserves. Data reflect credit balances only</li> <li>Monetary Base is the aggregate of Net Currency Issue, Commercial Banks' Statutory Cash Reserves and Current Account.</li> <li>BANK OF JAMAICA'S INTERNATIONAL RESERVES (US\$M)</li> </ul>			
	End	End	-
FOREIGN ASSETS Currency & Deposits Securities	<u>April 2022</u> 4,357.47 3,823.26 338.54	<u>May 2022</u> 4,374.91 3,848.53 334.78 191.59	<b>Change</b> 17.44 25.27 -3.76
SDR & IMF Reserve Position	195.67	191.39	-4.07
FOREIGN LIABILITIES IMF	<b>623.33</b> 623.33	<b>617.61</b> 617.61	<b>-5.71</b> -5.71
NET INTERNATIONAL RESERVES	3,734.14	3,757.29	23.15
Reserves in Weeks of Goods Imports <sup>4*</sup> Reserves in Weeks of Goods & Services Im Percentage of ARA Metric <sup>5</sup>	47.17 ports <sup>4*</sup> 29.84 141.37	49.57 28.51 136.72	OF

47 Based on estimated value of imports for FY 2021/2022

<sup>57</sup> The Assessing Reserve Adequacy Metric (ARA) is comprised of four components, each reflecting a potential drain on the external accounts. The components include Exports of Goods and Services, Broad Money, Short-Term External Debt and Other Portfolio Liabilities.

