

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	203,870.16 203,948.01 198,050.61 5,891.40 6.00	205,164.22 205,242.77 199,078.29 5,949.30 215.19	1,294.06 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 ¹ Monetary Base ²	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:			
Net International Reserves Assets Liabilities	577,965.86 674,443.92 96,478.06	577,725.96 672,691.18 94,965.22	-239.90 -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	-5,384.11 -6,338.76 -5,150.00 -451.38 6,556.03
Total	302,232.63	296,608.62	-5,624.01
 Note: Statutory cash reserve and current accounts of commercial banks are held at the Bank of Jamaica. Transaction balances and excess reserves. Data reflect credit balances only Monetary Base is the aggregate of Net Currency Issue, Commercial Banks' Statutory Cash Reserves and Current Account. BANK OF JAMAICA'S INTERNATIONAL RESERVES (US\$M) 			
	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	Change 17.44 25.27 -3.76
SDR & IMF Reserve Position	195.67	191.39	-4.07
FOREIGN LIABILITIES IMF	623.33 623.33	617.61 617.61	-5.71 -5.71
NET INTERNATIONAL RESERVES	3,734.14	3,757.29	23.15
Reserves in Weeks of Goods Imports ^{4*} Reserves in Weeks of Goods & Services Im Percentage of ARA Metric ⁵	47.17 ports ^{4*} 29.84 141.37	49.57 28.51 136.72	OF

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

⁵⁷ 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.

