

# Key Indicators



## ASSOCIATION OF BANKS IN LEBANON

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*LBP= Lebanese Pound; USD= US Dollar; FC= Foreign Currency; ( ) indicates a negative number; CD= Certificate of Deposit; BDL= Banque du Liban.*

*Sources: Ministry of Finance, Banque Du Liban (BDL), Association des Banques du Liban (ABL), Lebanese Customs Administration, CAS.*

### Indicators of Economic Activity (million USD unless otherwise mentioned)

	2021	Dec-2022	Jan-2023	Feb-2023
1- Building permits (000 m <sup>2</sup> ) <i>Cumulative since the beginning of the year</i>	9,554	630 9,575	n.a.	n.a.
2- Cement Deliveries (000 tons) <i>Cumulative since the beginning of the year</i>	1,951	174 2,124	174	n.a.
3- Imports of Goods <i>Cumulative since the beginning of the year</i>	13,641	1,251 19,053	n.a.	n.a.
4- Exports of Goods <i>Cumulative since the beginning of the year</i>	3,887	272 3,492	n.a.	n.a.
5- Balance of Trade in Goods = (4) - (3) <i>Cumulative since the beginning of the year</i>	(9,754)	(979) <b>(15,561)</b>	n.a.	n.a.
6- Changes of Net Foreign Assets in the Financial Sector <sup>1</sup> <i>Cumulative since the beginning of the year</i>	(1,960)	17 <b>(3,197)</b>	(462)	2,100 1,638
7- Total Checks Cleared (billion LBP) <i>Cumulative since the beginning of the year</i>	54,911	6,426 56,434	8,113	n.a.
8- BDL Coincident Indicator (Average 93=100) -Index <sup>2</sup>	125.3	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
9- CAS Consumer Price Index (Dec 2013=100)- Index <sup>2</sup>	921.40	2045.46	2217.99	2784.13
10- BDL FC Gross Reserves (end of period)	13,646	10,398	10,195	9,942
11- LBP / USD (period average-official rate)	1507.50	1507.50	1507.50	15000.00

<sup>1</sup> The Financial sector includes BDL, Commercial Banks, Medium & Long Term Banks, and Financial institutions.

<sup>2</sup> The figures in the 2021 column are related to the month of December.

**N.B.** Lebanon adopted a new official exchange rate of 15,000 LBP/USD, as of February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023.

## Consolidated Balance Sheet of Commercial Banks - Main Items (end of period - billion LBP)

	Dec-2021	Dec-2022	Jan-2023	Feb-2023
<b>Assets</b>				
<b>1- Deposits of Commercial Banks at BDL</b>	<b>164,277</b>	<b>158,984</b>	<b>160,158</b>	<b>1,266,937</b>
<b>2- Claims on Resident Private Sector</b>	<b>37,506</b>	<b>27,150</b>	<b>26,613</b>	<b>140,042</b>
- in LBP	16,455	13,778	13,653	15,277
- in FC	21,051	13,372	12,960	124,765
<b>3- Claims on Public Sector</b>	<b>25,215</b>	<b>17,383</b>	<b>17,307</b>	<b>55,455</b>
- in LBP	18,554	12,960	12,936	12,974
- in FC	6,661	4,423	4,372	42,481
<b>4- Foreign Assets</b>	<b>18,253</b>	<b>15,184</b>	<b>15,000</b>	<b>137,811</b>
- o/w Claims on Non Resident Financial Sector	6,919	6,333	6,279	61,917
Currency and Deposits with other Central Banks	1,563	1,213	1,228	12,326
<b>Liabilities</b>				
<b>5- Resident Private Sector Deposits</b>	<b>158,178</b>	<b>154,248</b>	<b>154,418</b>	<b>1,142,819</b>
- in LBP	37,099	42,336	42,738	42,024
- in FC	121,079	111,912	111,680	1,100,794
<b>6- Public Sector Deposits</b>	<b>7,538</b>	<b>7,055</b>	<b>7,472</b>	<b>16,420</b>
<b>7- Deposits of Non Resident Private Sector</b>	<b>36,996</b>	<b>35,270</b>	<b>35,188</b>	<b>321,986</b>
- in LBP	3,072	3,038	3,051	3,035
- in FC	33,924	32,233	32,137	318,950
<b>8- Deposits of Non Resident Banks</b>	<b>7,343</b>	<b>6,501</b>	<b>6,587</b>	<b>49,759</b>
<b>9- Capital Accounts</b>	<b>26,811</b>	<b>27,569</b>	<b>17,442</b>	<b>74,231</b>
<b>10- Other Liabilities</b>	<b>26,085</b>	<b>23,793</b>	<b>31,547</b>	<b>115,283</b>
<b>11- Total (Assets = Liabilities)</b>	<b>263,547</b>	<b>254,853</b>	<b>253,206</b>	<b>1,725,059</b>

- Starting December 2019, and according to the offsetting criteria in IAS 32 “Financial Instruments: Presentation” and the disclosure on offsetting financial assets and financial liabilities in IFRS 7, banks have offset their loans taken from BDL in Lebanese pound with their corresponding placements at Banque du Liban in Lebanese pound carrying same maturities.
- Lebanon adopted a new official exchange rate of 15,000 LBP/USD, as of February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023.

## Interest Rates on LBP Accounts

	Dec-2021	Dec-2022	Jan-2023	Feb-2023
1- Simple Average Interest Rate on Deposits of Banks at BDL (%)	2.22	2.22	2.22	2.22
2- Weighted Yield on TB's (%)	7.32	7.45	7.42	7.41
3- Weighted Average Lending Rate (%) <sup>1</sup>	7.27	4.95	5.16	4.97
4- Weighted Average Rate on CDs issued by BDL(%)	8.81	8.81	8.90	8.90
5- Weighted Return on Uses of Funds (%) <sup>2</sup>	5.49	5.03	4.86	4.90
6- Weighted Average Rate on Deposits (%) <sup>3</sup>	1.22	0.65	0.66	0.68
7- Spread (%) <sup>4</sup> = (5) - (6)	4.27	4.38	4.20	4.22

<sup>1</sup> Average of the last three months on new loans. Starting January 2016, lending rates are calculated according to intermediary circular No 389.

<sup>2</sup> Calculated.

<sup>3</sup> Average of the last three months on new deposits.

<sup>4</sup> Does not take into account the cost of Capital, nor the cost of other debt sources of funds such as Interbank borrowing or facilities from the Central Bank.

## Resident Private Sector Deposits in LBP at Commercial Banks (billion LBP)

Date	Demand Deposits	Time Deposits	Total	Weekly Change
12/31/2022	25,266	17,802	43,068	
3/23/2023	31,206	17,659	48,865	
3/30/2023	31,378	17,499	48,877	12
4/6/2023	33,710	17,326	51,036	2,159
4/13/2023	33,560	17,259	50,819	(217)

## Interest Rates on USD Accounts

	Dec-2021	Dec-2022	Jan-2023	Feb-2023
1- Average Rate on USD Deposits at BDL (%) <sup>1</sup>	3.92	1.93	1.90	1.86
2- Average LIBOR 3-month on \$ Deposits (%)	0.21	4.74	4.81	4.89
3- Weighted Average Interest Rate on Eurobonds(%) <sup>2</sup>	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4- Weighted Average Lending Rate (%) <sup>3</sup>	6.54	4.54	4.63	4.90
5- Weighted Return on Uses of Funds (%) <sup>4</sup>	3.82	2.38	2.36	2.34
6- Weighted Average Rate on Deposits (%) <sup>5</sup>	0.21	0.08	0.07	0.08
7- Spread (%) <sup>6</sup> = (5) - (6)	3.62	2.30	2.29	2.26

<sup>1</sup> Corrected figures since November 2022.

<sup>2</sup> Does not take into account the contribution of Paris II by parties other than the domestic commercial banks.

<sup>3</sup> Average of the last three months on new loans. Starting January 2016, lending rates are calculated according to intermediary circular No 389.

<sup>4</sup> Calculated.

<sup>5</sup> Average of the last three months on new deposits.

<sup>6</sup> Does not take into account the cost of capital, nor the facilities from the Central Bank.

## Resident Private Sector Deposits in FC at Commercial Banks (million USD)

Date	Total Deposits	Weekly Change
12/31/2022	74,951	
3/23/2023	72,976	
3/30/2023	72,862	(114)
4/6/2023	72,692	(170)
4/13/2023	72,681	(11)

### Outstanding CDs (end of period)

	Dec-2021	Dec-2022	Jan-2023	Feb-2023
<b>CDs issued by BDL in LBP (billion LBP)</b>	<b>43,177</b>	<b>43,147</b>	<b>39,020</b>	<b>38,761</b>
<b>CDs issued by BDL in USD (billion USD)</b>	<b>22.5</b>	<b>18.7</b>	<b>18.7</b>	<b>18.6</b>
<b>CDs Issued by Banks (million USD)</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>300</b>

### Outstanding Eurobonds (end of period - million USD)

	Dec-2021	Dec-2022	Jan-2023	Feb-2023
<b>Eurobonds Issued by the Lebanese Government*</b>	<b>31,314</b>	<b>31,314</b>	<b>31,314</b>	<b>31,314</b>
<b>Notes and Bonds Issued by Banks</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>350</b>

\* On March 23, 2020, the Lebanese government decided to discontinue payments on all its outstanding USD denominated Eurobonds. The Latest outstanding Eurobonds before default was USD 31,314 million.

### Monetary Data\* (end of period - billion LBP)

	Dec-2021	Dec-2022	Jan-2023	Feb-2023
<b>1- M1</b>	<b>57,937</b>	<b>98,780</b>	<b>94,882</b>	<b>101,291</b>
<b>2- M2</b>	<b>79,007</b>	<b>116,583</b>	<b>112,764</b>	<b>118,911</b>
<b>3- M3</b>	<b>201,070</b>	<b>229,572</b>	<b>225,505</b>	<b>1,228,968</b>
<b>4- M2 + TB's held by Individuals &amp; Institutional Investors</b>	<b>93,052</b>	<b>134,772</b>	<b>131,977</b>	<b>137,978</b>
<b>5- M3 - M2</b>	<b>122,063</b>	<b>112,989</b>	<b>112,742</b>	<b>1,110,057</b>
<b>6- (M3 - M2)/M3 (%)</b>	<b>60.71</b>	<b>49.22</b>	<b>50.00</b>	<b>90.32</b>

Starting January 2017, the compilation of the monetary aggregates and their counterparts is based on the consolidated balance sheets of depository corporations.

- Lebanon adopted a new official exchange rate of 15,000 LBP/USD, as of February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023.

## Public Finance (billion LBP)

	2021	Dec-2022	Jan-2023	Feb-2023
<b>1- Total Receipts</b> <sup>1</sup>	20,263	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
<i>Cumulative since the beginning of the year</i>				
<b>2- Total Payments</b> <sup>1</sup>	18,066	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
<i>Cumulative since the beginning of the year</i>				
- o/w debt service	2,813	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
<i>Cumulative since the beginning of the year</i>				
<b>3- Overall Deficit / Surplus = (1) - (2)</b>	+2,197	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
<i>Cumulative since the beginning of the year</i>				
<b>4- Overall Deficit (or surplus) in % of total Payments</b>	+12.2%	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
<i>Cumulative since the beginning of the year</i>				
<b>5- Primary Balance</b> <sup>1</sup> (cumulative since the beginning of the year)	+5,009	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
<b>6- Gross Public Debt</b> <sup>2</sup>	151,309	153,484	n.a.	n.a.
6.1- Debt in LBP <sup>2</sup>	93,247	91,169	n.a.	n.a.
6.2- Debt in Foreign Currency <sup>2</sup>	58,062	62,315	n.a.	n.a.
<b>7- Public Sector Deposits</b> <sup>2,3</sup>	19,238	26,445	n.a.	n.a.
<b>8- Net Public Debt</b> <sup>2</sup> = (6) - (7)	132,071	127,039	n.a.	n.a.

<sup>1</sup> Include treasury and budget transactions.

<sup>2</sup> Figures as at end of period.

<sup>3</sup> Deposits at BDL, Commercial Banks and MLT Banks.

## Outstanding Lebanese Treasury Bills in LBP (end of period - billion LBP)

	Dec-2021		Dec-2022		Jan-2023		Feb-2023	
<b>Portfolio: Amount and share</b>								
<b>3-month</b>	151	0.16	205	0.23	209	0.23	347	0.39
<i>Interest Rate % (last issue)</i>	3.47		3.47		3.47		3.47	
<b>6-month</b>	286	0.31	410	0.46	864	0.96	960	1.07
<i>Interest Rate % (last issue)</i>	3.92		3.92		3.92		3.92	
<b>12-month</b>	1,293	1.41	3,955	4.41	3,989	4.42	3,694	4.13
<i>Interest Rate % (last issue)</i>	4.31		4.31		4.31		4.31	
<b>24-month</b>	2,492	2.72	4,169	4.65	4,749	5.26	4,749	5.30
<i>Interest Rate % (last issue)</i>	4.94		4.94		4.94		no issue	
<b>36-month</b>	5,599	6.11	5,570	6.21	5,660	6.27	5,600	6.26
<i>Interest Rate % (last issue)</i>	5.43		5.43		5.43		5.43	
<b>60-month</b>	21,841	23.84	17,310	19.29	17,009	18.85	16,427	18.35
<i>Interest Rate % (last issue)</i>	5.91		5.91		5.91		5.91	
<b>84-month</b>	20,839	22.75	19,047	21.23	18,692	20.72	18,692	20.88
<i>Interest Rate % (last issue)</i>	6.40		no issue		no issue		no issue	
<b>120-month</b>	34,622	37.79	34,565	38.52	34,565	38.31	34,565	38.61
<i>Interest Rate % (last issue)</i>	no issue		no issue		6.88		no issue	
<b>144-month</b>	3,076	3.36	3,076	3.43	3,076	3.41	3,076	3.44
<i>Interest Rate % (last issue)</i>	no issue		no issue		no issue		no issue	
<b>180-month</b>	1,417	1.55	1,417	1.58	1,417	1.57	1,417	1.58
<i>Interest Rate % (last issue)</i>	no issue		no issue		no issue		no issue	
<b>Total</b>	91,616	100	89,724	100	90,230	100	89,527	100
<b>Banking System</b>	78,185	85.34	72,280	80.56	71,738	79.51	71,182	79.51
<b>Public Sector</b>	12,861	14.04	17,042	18.99	17,794	19.72	17,499	19.55
<b>Individuals and individual institutions</b>	570	0.62	402	0.45	698	0.77	846	0.94