

Key Indicators

ASSOCIATION OF BANKS IN LEBANON

Issue: May – June 2023

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)

	2022	Mar-2023	Apr-2023	May-2023
1- Building permits (000 m ²) <i>Cumulative since the beginning of the year</i>	9,575	338	229	441 1,971
2- Cement Deliveries (000 tons) <i>Cumulative since the beginning of the year</i>	2,124	172	137	226 816
3- Imports of Goods <i>Cumulative since the beginning of the year</i>	19,053	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
4- Exports of Goods <i>Cumulative since the beginning of the year</i>	3,492	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
5- Balance of Trade in Goods = (4) - (3) <i>Cumulative since the beginning of the year</i>	(15,561)	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
6- Changes of Net Foreign Assets in the Financial Sector ¹ <i>Cumulative since the beginning of the year</i>	(3,197)	(464)	62	(6) 1,231
7- Checks Cleared in LBP (billion LBP) <i>Cumulative since the beginning of the year</i>	40,925	5,646	3,077	4,704 22,667
8- Checks Cleared in FC (million USD) <i>Cumulative since the beginning of the year</i>	10,288	484	133	255 1,943
9- BDL Coincident Indicator (Average 93=100) -Index ²	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
10- CAS Consumer Price Index (Dec 2013=100)- Index ²	2045.46	3710.53	4027.82	4243.30
11- BDL FC Gross Reserves (end of period)	10,398	9,612	9,730	9,724
12- LBP / USD (period average-official rate)	1507.50	15,000	15,000	15,000

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

² The figures in the 2022 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 1st, 2023.

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

	Dec-2022	Mar-2023	Apr-2023	May-2023
Assets				
1- Deposits of Commercial Banks at BDL	158,984	1,270,492	1,270,896	1,270,251
2- Claims on Resident Private Sector	27,150	131,429	128,469	126,331
- in LBP	13,778	13,217	12,697	14,250
- in FC	13,372	118,212	115,772	112,081
3- Claims on Public Sector	17,383	55,000	54,831	53,912
- in LBP	12,960	12,726	12,693	12,414
- in FC	4,423	42,274	42,137	41,498
4- Foreign Assets	15,184	133,733	135,689	134,450
- o/w Claims on Non Resident Financial Sector	6,333	61,950	63,074	63,363
Currency and Deposits with other Central Banks	1,213	11,995	12,325	13,431
Liabilities				
5- Resident Private Sector Deposits	154,248	1,142,203	1,142,707	1,137,764
- in LBP	42,336	49,237	52,748	58,546
- in FC	111,912	1,092,966	1,089,959	1,079,218
6- Public Sector Deposits	7,055	16,914	16,823	18,659
7- Deposits of Non Resident Private Sector	35,270	322,182	323,009	321,845
- in LBP	3,038	3,159	4,052	3,139
- in FC	32,233	319,023	318,957	318,706
8- Non Resident Financial Sector Liabilities	6,501	48,552	49,314	48,916
9- Capital Accounts	27,569	73,134	74,900	78,425
10- Other Liabilities	23,793	119,612	124,839	118,171
11- Total (Assets = Liabilities)	254,853	1,727,187	1,735,984	1,728,218

- 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.
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Interest Rates on LBP Accounts

	Dec-2022	Mar-2023	Apr-2023	May-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 (%)	7.45	7.39	7.38	7.37
3- Weighted Average Lending Rate (%) ¹	4.95	5.32	4.48	4.07
4- Weighted Average Rate on CDs issued by BDL(%)	8.81	8.90	8.92	8.92
5- Weighted Return on Uses of Funds (%) ²	5.03	4.88	4.69	4.60
6- Weighted Average Rate on Deposits (%) ³	0.65	0.69	0.64	0.69
7- Spread (%) ⁴ = (5) - (6)	4.38	4.19	4.04	3.92

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

² Calculated.

³ Average of the last three months on new deposits.

⁴ 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	
6/1/2023	46,722	16,929	63,651	
6/8/2023	53,506	16,954	70,460	6,809
6/15/2023	48,798	16,553	65,351	(5,109)
6/22/2023	51,715	16,898	68,613	3,262

Interest Rates on USD Accounts

	Dec-2022	Mar-2023	Apr-2023	May-2023
1- Average Rate on USD Deposits at BDL (%)	1.93	1.85	1.85	1.85
2- Average LIBOR 3-month on \$ Deposits (%)	4.74	5.05	5.26	5.38
3- Weighted Average Interest Rate on Eurobonds(%) ¹	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4- Weighted Average Lending Rate (%) ²	4.54	4.86	3.89	2.93
5- Weighted Return on Uses of Funds (%) ³	2.38	2.33	2.25	2.17
6- Weighted Average Rate on Deposits (%) ⁴	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.08
7- Spread (%) ⁵ = (5) - (6)	2.30	2.24	2.17	2.09

¹ Does not take into account the contribution of Paris II by parties other than the domestic commercial banks.

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³ Calculated.

⁴ Average of the last three months on new deposits.

⁵ 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	
6/1/2023	71,898	
6/8/2023	71,784	(114)
6/15/2023	71,708	(76)
6/22/2023	71,713	5

Outstanding CDs (end of period)

	Dec-2022	Mar-2023	Apr-2023	May-2023
CDs issued by BDL in LBP (billion LBP)	43,147	38,546	37,662	37,592
CDs issued by BDL in USD (billion USD)	18.7	18.6	18.6	18.6
CDs Issued by Banks (million USD)	300	300	300	0

Outstanding Eurobonds (end of period - million USD)

	Dec-2022	Mar-2023	Apr-2023	May-2023
Eurobonds Issued by the Lebanese Government*	31,314	31,314	31,314	31,314
Notes and Bonds Issued by Banks	350	350	350	350

* 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-2022	Mar-2023	Apr-2023	May-2023
1- M1	98,780	86,633	90,916	105,094
2- M2	116,583	103,838	108,137	121,569
3- M3	229,572	1,206,971	1,208,194	1,211,419
4- M2 + TB's held by Individuals & Institutional Investors	134,772	123,412	127,731	141,113
5- M3 - M2	112,989	1,103,133	1,100,057	1,089,850
6- (M3 - M2)/M3 (%)	49.22	91.40	91.05	89.96

- 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 1st, 2023.

Public Finance (billion LBP)

	2022	Mar-2023	Apr-2023	May-2023
1- Total Receipts ¹	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
<i>Cumulative since the beginning of the year</i>				
2- Total Payments ¹	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
<i>Cumulative since the beginning of the year</i>				
- o/w debt service	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
<i>Cumulative since the beginning of the year</i>				
3- Overall Deficit / Surplus = (1) - (2)	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
<i>Cumulative since the beginning of the year</i>				
4- Overall Deficit (or surplus) in % of total Payments	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
<i>Cumulative since the beginning of the year</i>				
5- Primary Balance ¹ (cumulative since the beginning of the year)	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
6- Gross Public Debt ²	153,484	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
6.1- Debt in LBP ²	91,169	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
6.2- Debt in Foreign Currency ²	62,315	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
7- Public Sector Deposits ^{2,3}	26,445	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
8- Net Public Debt ² = (6) - (7)	127,039	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.

¹ Include treasury and budget transactions.

² Figures as at end of period.

³ Deposits at BDL, Commercial Banks and MLT Banks.

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

	Dec-2022		Mar-2023		Apr-2023		May-2023	
Portfolio: Amount and share								
3-month	205	0.23	454	0.51	462	0.52	335	0.38
<i>Interest Rate % (last issue)</i>	3.47		3.47		3.47		3.47	
6-month	410	0.46	969	1.08	1,011	1.13	1,094	1.24
<i>Interest Rate % (last issue)</i>	3.92		3.92		3.92		3.92	
12-month	3,955	4.41	3,838	4.29	4,099	4.60	4,482	5.07
<i>Interest Rate % (last issue)</i>	4.31		4.31		4.31		4.31	
24-month	4,169	4.65	5,049	5.64	5,044	5.66	4,936	5.58
<i>Interest Rate % (last issue)</i>	4.94		4.94		4.94		4.94	
36-month	5,570	6.21	5,501	6.14	5,201	5.84	5,202	5.89
<i>Interest Rate % (last issue)</i>	5.43		5.43		5.43		5.43	
60-month	17,310	19.29	16,002	17.87	15,602	17.51	15,353	17.37
<i>Interest Rate % (last issue)</i>	5.91		5.91		5.91		5.91	
84-month	19,047	21.23	18,672	20.85	18,623	20.90	18,304	20.71
<i>Interest Rate % (last issue)</i>	no issue		6.40		6.40		6.40	
120-month	34,565	38.52	34,565	38.60	34,565	38.79	34,186	38.68
<i>Interest Rate % (last issue)</i>	no issue		no issue		no issue		no issue	
144-month	3,076	3.43	3,076	3.44	3,076	3.45	3,076	3.48
<i>Interest Rate % (last issue)</i>	no issue		no issue		no issue		no issue	
180-month	1,417	1.58	1,417	1.58	1,417	1.59	1,417	1.60
<i>Interest Rate % (last issue)</i>	no issue		no issue		no issue		no issue	
Total	89,724	100	89,543	100	89,100	100	88,385	100
Banking System	72,280	80.56	70,718	78.98	70,291	78.89	69,388	78.51
Public Sector	17,042	18.99	17,976	20.07	17,973	20.17	18,114	20.49
Individuals and individual institutions	402	0.45	849	0.95	836	0.94	883	1.00