

Summary:

In the first half of 2017, the performance of real sector indicators was on average weak with reference to the corresponding period of the previous year. The trade deficit narrowed a little and that of the overall balance of payments shrank though remained relatively large. Official foreign currency reserves slightly retreated and banks' deposits and loans to the resident private sector expanded faster. The growth in the public sector debt decelerated and lending interest rates remained almost unchanged.

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I- REAL SECTOR**In June 2017,**

The total value of checks cleared in the domestic and foreign currencies decreased to USD 5,563 million from USD 5,673 million in the previous month and USD 5,653 million in June 2016. Cleared checks o/w 68.9 percent denominated in FC slightly declined in the first half 2017 by 0.4 percent when compared to the first half 2016.

The total value of returned checks in the domestic and foreign currencies retreated to USD 117 million from USD 122 million one month back and USD 145 million in June 2016. Returned checks diminished in the first half 2017 by 3.5 percent with reference to the identical period of the past year.

Collected real estate fees shrank to LBP 69.6 billion against LBP 77.2 billion in the preceding month (LBP 67.5 billion twelve months back). Still, collected fees multiplied in the first half 2017 by 17.3 percent with regard to the first half 2016.

Construction permits contracted to 931 thousand square meters compared to 1,297 thousand square meters in the previous month and 1,091 thousand square meters in June 2016. In the first half 2017, construction permits dropped by 0.8 percent in respect of the corresponding period of the preceding year.

Cement deliveries weakened to 383 thousand tons from 495 thousand tons a month earlier and 419 thousand tons in June 2016. Cement deliveries fell by 3.7 percent in the first half 2017 in comparison with the same time frame of 2016.

The number of passengers arriving to Beirut International Airport increased to 393,568 while the number of those departing from BIA diminished to 259,049 to total 652,617 persons. In the first half 2017, arrivals and departures rose by 7.9 percent and 6.0 percent respectively in comparison with those recorded in the alike time interval of 2016.

Agricultural exports advanced to USD 17 million from USD 13 million one month back but were in the first half 2017 below those reported in the matching

months of the preceding year by USD 4 million (-4.6 percent).

In May 2017,

Industrial exports (excluding gold ingots) decreased to USD 206 million from USD 210 million in the previous month and USD 211 million in May 2016. Industrial exports dwindled in the first five months of 2017 by 5.9 percent with regard to the first five months of 2016.

Imports of Industrial Equipment climbed to USD 23.1 million from USD 18.0 million one month earlier and USD 20.5 million in May 2016. Imports of industrial equipment deteriorated, however, by 16.3 percent in the first five months of 2017 when compared to the correspondent time frame of the previous year.

Real Sector Indicators

	Jun-16	May-17	Jun-17
Checks cleared (total)			
Number (000)	1,060	1,086	999
Value (USD million)	5,653	5,673	5,563
Checks cleared in LBP			
Number (000)	366	414	373
Value (LBP billion)	2,377	2,667	2,534
Checks cleared in FX			
Number (000)	694	672	626
Value (USD million)	4,076	3,904	3,882
Returned checks			
Number (000)	18.8	20.7	18.6
Value (USD million)	145	122	117
Construction permits (000 square meters)			
	1,091	1,297	931
Cement deliveries (000 tons)			
	419	495	383
Collected property taxes (LBP billion)			
	67.5	77.2	69.6
Passengers arrivals (000)			
	331	309	394
Passengers departures (000)			
	241	292	259
Agricultural exports (USD million)			
	17	13	17
Industrial exports (USD million)			
	225	206	n.a.
Imports of industrial machinery (USD million)			
	20.0	23.1	n.a.

Source: BDL, OEA, BIA, CLR, ministry of Industry, Lebanese Customs



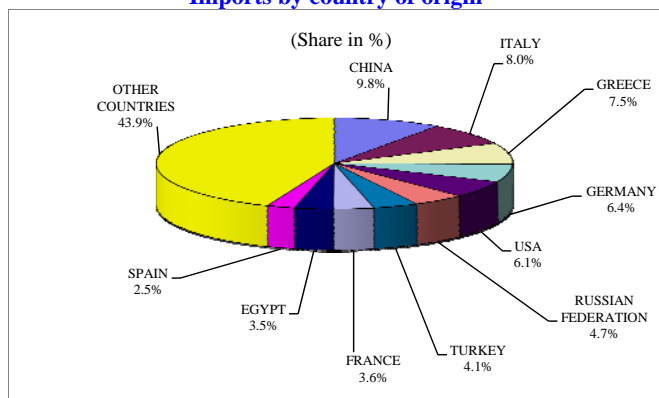
II- EXTERNAL SECTOR

In June 2017,

Imports of goods fell to USD 1,454 million from USD 1,559 million in the previous month and USD 1,533 million in June 2016. Imports slightly decreased in the first half 2017 by 0.2 percent with reference to the first half of the previous year.

In the first half 2017, mineral products lead imported goods with a 20.2 percent share of total imports. They were followed by products of the chemical and machinery and mechanical appliances which accounted for 11.0 percent and 10.2 percent respectively. China topped the list of imports by country of origin with a 9.8 percent share of total. Italy came next with a share of 8.0 percent followed by Greece (7.5 percent) and Germany (6.4 percent).

Imports by country of origin

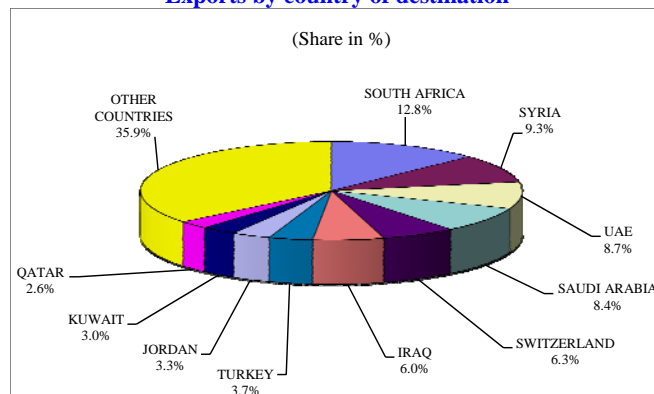


Source: Lebanese Customs

Exports of goods decreased to USD 230 million compared to USD 240 million one month back and USD 280 million in June 2016. Yet, exports climbed in the first half 2017 by 3.5 percent in respect of the same period of the preceding year.

In the first half 2017, pearls, precious and semi - precious stones were on top of the list with a share of 23.5 percent of total exports, followed by prepared foodstuffs (16.7 percent), and base metals (11.1 percent). South Africa outperformed all others in terms of exports by country of destination with 12.8 percent share of the total, trailed by Syria (9.3 percent) followed by UAE (8.7 percent) and Saudi Arabia (8.4 percent).

Exports by country of destination



Source: Lebanese Customs

The trade deficit narrowed to USD 1,224 million from USD 1,319 million a month earlier and USD 1,253 million in June 2016. Thus, the trade deficit diminished in the first half 2017 by 0.8 percent vis-à-vis the corresponding time interval of 2016.

External Sector Indicators

USD million	Jun-16	May-17	Jun-17
Imports	1,533	1,559	1,454
Exports	280	240	230
Trade deficit	-1,253	-1,319	-1,224
Balance of payments	-13	-592	-758
Gross foreign currency reserves	33,197	32,750	33,887

Source: Lebanese Customs, BDL.

The overall balance of payments reported a deficit of USD 758 million following a deficit of USD 592 million in May 2017 (USD 13 million deficit in June 2016). Subsequently, a cumulative USD 1,116 million negative balance was recorded in the first half 2017 and represented a decrease in net foreign assets of each of banks and financial institutions (USD -769 million) and the central bank (USD -347 million).

Gross foreign currency reserves of the Central bank increased to USD 33,887 million compared to USD 32,750 million at the end of the previous month and USD 33,197 million end June 2016. The U.S. dollar average rate remained stable at LBP 1,507.5 with the Central bank maintaining its foreign exchange intervention rates at LBP 1,501 per one USD for bid and LBP 1,514 per one USD for ask.



III-FINANCIAL SECTOR

1. Commercial Banks

Total consolidated assets of commercial banks operating in Lebanon amounted to LBP 313,805 billion (USD 208.2 billion) at the end of June 2017, thus increasing by 1.9 percent from end December 2016 (2.3 percent increase in the first half 2016).

Total deposits at commercial banks, including resident and non-resident private sector deposits and public sector deposits grew by 3.1 percent in the first half 2017 and constituted 82.5 percent of total assets with an equivalent value of LBP 258,803 billion (around USD 171.7 billion) at the end of the period.

Commercial Banks Balance Sheet -Main items

End of period-LBP billion	Jun-16	May-17	Jun-17
Total Assets	286,961	311,883	313,805
Total deposits	238,467	256,889	258,803
Resident private sector	184,647	198,694	200,440
Non-resident private sector	48,497	51,765	52,414
Public sector deposits	5,323	6,430	5,949
Capital accounts	26,223	28,159	28,446
Total claims on the private sector	84,243	87,244	88,070
Resident private sector	74,550	78,478	79,578
Non-resident private sector	9,692	8,767	8,492
Total claims on public sector	56,463	56,432	54,203
Bills & Bonds in LBP	26,500	31,582	29,508
Bonds in FC	29,822	24,654	24,497
Claims on non resident banks	14,462	21,139	18,378
Other foreign assets	9,392	8,629	8,527
Deposits at the central bank	113,444	128,828	135,124

Source: BDL.

The breakdown of total deposits shows that private sector deposits denominated in LBP increased by 0.5 percent from end December 2016, and those denominated in foreign currencies by 4.6 percent, thus deposit dollarization rate rose to 66.7 percent at end June 2017 (65.8 percent end December 2016). The itemization of total deposits reveals also a growth in resident private sector deposits (+3.4 percent) and in non-resident private sector deposits (+2.4 percent) while public sector deposits stood almost unchanged in the first half 2017.

Subsequently, resident private sector deposits accounted for 77.4 percent of total deposits at end June 2017 (20.3 percent for non-resident private sector and 2.3 percent for public sector deposits).

Total capital accounts amounted to LBP 28,446 billion (USD 18,870 million) at the end of June 2017 and represented around 9.1 percent of total assets. Capital accounts increased by 3.5 percent from end December 2016 (4.3 percent increase in the first half 2016).

Total claims on the resident and non-resident private sector increased by 2.2 percent in the first half of the year 2017, reaching LBP 88,070 billion at the end of June 2017. The dollarization rate of these loans was 71.1 percent at the end of the stated month, and the ratio of total loans to total deposits attained 34.8 percent.

Total claims on the public sector were equivalent to LBP 54,203 billion at the end of June 2017, thus increasing by 3.6 percent from end December 2016. Commercial banks held at the end of the stated month LBP 29,508 billion of Lebanese treasury bills (41.9 percent of the total portfolio in circulation) and USD 16,250 million of Eurobonds (nearly 59.4 percent of the total outstanding portfolio).

Deposits at the Central Bank increased in the first half 2017 by 0.4 percent to total LBP 135,124 billion at the end of June 2017, meanwhile claims on non-resident banks rose by 8.5 percent to LBP 18,378 billion (USD 12.2 billion) to represent 10.9 percent of private sector deposits in foreign currencies.

2. Investment Banks

Total consolidated assets of investment banks operating in Lebanon (including medium and long term credit banks) amounted to LBP 7,423 billion (around USD 4.9 billion) at the end of June 2017, thus increasing by 4.6 percent from end December 2016 (0.6 percent increase in the first half 2016).

In the first half 2017, capital accounts rose by 14.3 percent and private sector deposits (resident & non-resident) by 0.8 percent. Claims on public sector increased by 12.3 percent, claims on the private sector by 3.7 percent and cash and banks by 1.6 percent.



3. Financial Markets

The total number of shares traded on the Beirut Stock Exchange retreated to 4,057 thousand shares with a traded value of USD 45.4 million in June 2017 compared to 18,565 thousand shares with a traded value of USD 157.3 million in the previous month (2,859 thousand shares with a value of USD 22.4 million in June 2016).

During June 2017, the traded value by economic sectors was as such: 84.8 percent for Banking, 14.9 percent for Development and Reconstruction and 0.3 percent for Industrial.

Capital Markets

	Jun-16	May-17	Jun-17
BSE			
Traded shares (ooo)	2,859	18,565	4,057
Traded value (USD million)	22.4	157.3	45.4
Market capitalization (USD million)	11,035	11,725	11,568
Outstanding treasury bills (LBP billion)	65,280	69,498	69,398
Outstanding sovereign Eurobonds (USD million)	26,444	27,194	27,069
Outstanding private sector (banks) securities (USD million)	850	850	850

Source: BDL, BSE

The market capitalization of listed shares decreased to USD 11,568 million at the end of June 2017, compared to USD 11,725 million at the end of the previous month (USD 11,035 million at the end of June 2016). Banking had a 86.1 percent weight, whereas Development and Construction 11.1 percent.

The face value of the outstanding treasury bills portfolio denominated in the domestic currency and the value of the outstanding sovereign bonds portfolio denominated in foreign currencies (Eurobonds) amounted to LBP 69,398 billion and USD 27,069 million respectively at the end of June 2017.

The outstanding value of bank-issued certificates of deposits, Euro-CDs, and subordinated debt stood almost unchanged at USD 850 million at the end of June 2017. The outstanding value of the certificates of deposits issued by BDL in the domestic currency increased to LBP 33,031 billion and the value of those issued in foreign currencies to USD 22.0 billion.

IV- MONETARY DEVELOPMENTS

The stock of money and quasi money (M3) attained LBP 207,291 billion at the end of June 2017, of which 59.9 percent denominated in foreign currencies, thus increasing by 3.5 percent from end December 2016 (2.2 percent increase in the first half 2016).

Money Supply & Counterparts

	LBP billion	Jun-16	May-17	Jun-17
M3		190,520	205,187	207,291
Net foreign assets		47,357	51,268	50,051
Net claims on public sector		76,777	76,601	76,719
Valuation Adjustment		-10,005	-9,442	-9,239
Claims on private sector		77,844	81,789	83,486
Other items-net		-1,453	4,970	6,273
CAS CPI (Dec 2013=100)		96.27	99.72	99.61

Source: BDL, CRI.

The LBP 7,099 billion increase in M3 in the first half 2017 resulted from an increase in each of net other items (+LBP 5,051 billion), claims on the private sector (+LBP 3,298 billion) and net foreign assets (+LBP 339 billion) against a drop in valuation adjustment (-LBP 1,531 billion) and net claims on public sector (-LBP 58 billion).

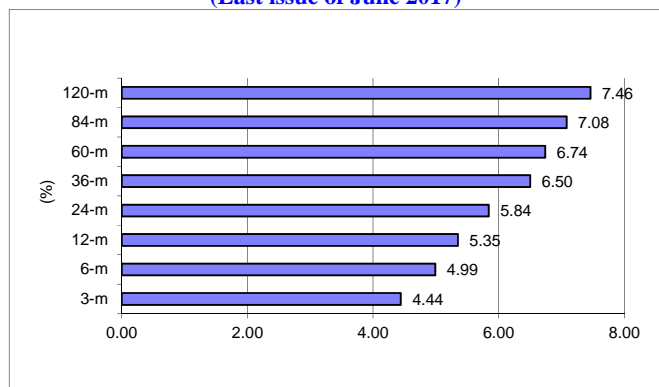
The Consumer Price Index (CPI) for Beirut and Suburbs, published by the Consultation and Research Institute, stood almost unchanged in the month of June 2017 compared to the previous month but increased by 1.5 percent from December 2016.

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) for Lebanon, published by the Central Administration of Statistics, decreased by 0.11 percent in June 2017 but increased by 0.7 percent from December 2016.

The interest rates on LBP monetary instruments were stable at the end of June 2017 on 45 and 60- day certificates of deposits issued by BDL reading 3.57 percent and 3.85 percent respectively. The yields on the issued Lebanese Treasury bills also remained steady and read at the end of the stated month: 4.44 percent for three-month bills, 4.99 percent for six-month bills, 5.35 percent for one-year bills, 5.84 percent for two-year bills, 6.50 percent for three-year bills, 6.74 percent for five-year bills, 7.08 percent for seven-year bills and 7.46 percent for ten-year bills.



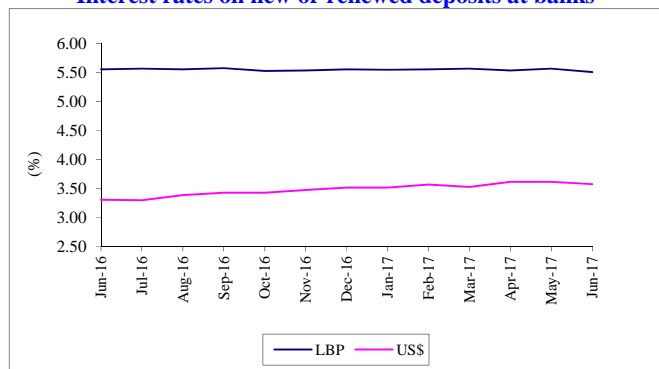
**Yield on Lebanese treasury bills denominated in LBP
(Last issue of June 2017)**



Source: BDL

In June 2017, the average interest rate on new or renewed LBP and USD deposits at commercial banks decreased to 5.51 percent (5.57 percent a month ago) and 3.58 percent (3.62 percent in May 2017) respectively. The average 3-month USD LIBOR was 1.26 percent.

Interest rates on new or renewed deposits at banks



In June 2017, the average interest rate on new or renewed loans at commercial banks denominated in LBP and USD decreased to 8.39 percent (8.48 percent a month ago) and 7.27 percent (7.36 percent in May 2017) respectively.

V- PUBLIC FINANCES

Government revenues, including budget revenues and treasury receipts attained LBP 953 billion in February 2017 to sum LBP 2,782 billion in the first two months of 2017 (LBP 2,633 billion in the first two months of

2016). The LBP 2,782 billion revenues comprised LBP 2,612 billion budget revenues and LBP 170 billion treasury receipts.

Government expenditures, consisting of budget and treasury spending, amounted to LBP 1,744 billion in February 2017 to total LBP 3,025 billion in the first two months of 2017 (LBP 3,730 billion in the first two months of 2016). The LBP 3,025 billion expenditures included LBP 742 billion debt service and LBP 2,283 billion other general expenditures o/w LBP 309 billion to EDL and LBP 726 billion related to budget expenditures for previous years.

Fiscal Situation

LBP billion	Feb-16	Jan-17	Feb-17
Government revenues	958	1,828	953
Tax revenues	585	1,276	630
Non-tax revenues	328	417	288
Treasury receipts	45	135	35
Government expenditures	1,732	1,281	1,744
Debt service	357	343	399
Others	1,375	938	1,345
Overall balance	-774	547	-791
Primary balance	-417	890	-392

Source: Ministry of Finance.

Total Deficit decreased as such to LBP 244 billion in the first two months of 2017 from LBP 1,097 billion in the first two months of 2016, and the primary balance reported an LBP 499 billion surplus compared to a LBP 369 billion deficit respectively.

Gross public debt amounted to LBP 115,263 billion (the equivalent of USD 76.5 billion) at the end of June 2017, thus increasing by 2.1 percent when compared to end December 2016 (3.6 percent growth in the first half 2016).

Net public debt, which subtracts public sector deposits at commercial banks and the central bank from gross public debt, amounted to LBP 100,511 billion at the end of June 2017, increasing by 1.9 percent from end of December 2016 (2.6 percent growth in the first half 2016).



Public Debt

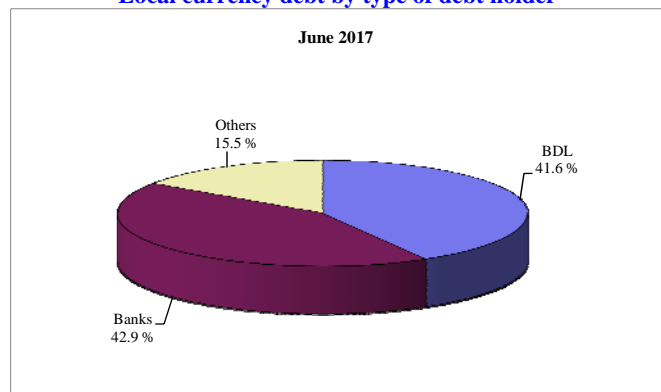
LBP billion	Jun-16	May-17	Jun-17
Public Debt (Gross)	109,893	115,652	115,263
Debt in LBP	66,276	70,919	70,555
Debt in FC	43,617	44,733	44,708
Public Debt (Net)	95,185	100,288	100,511
Public sector deposits	14,708	15,364	14,752
Commercial Banks	5,323	6,430	5,949
BDL	9,385	8,934	8,803

Source: BDL.

The shares of the local currency debt and foreign currency debt of the total gross were around 61.2 percent and 38.8 percent respectively at the end of June 2017. The distribution of local currency debt by type of holder was as follows: 42.9 percent for banks (45.7 percent end of May 2017), 41.6 percent for the Central bank (39.2 percent in the previous month) and 15.5 percent for the non-banking sector (15.1 percent one month earlier). The breakdown of the foreign currency debt was as such: Eurobonds (92.3 percent), Multilateral (4.3 percent), Bilateral (3.0 percent), Paris II loans (0.1 percent) and others (0.3 percent).

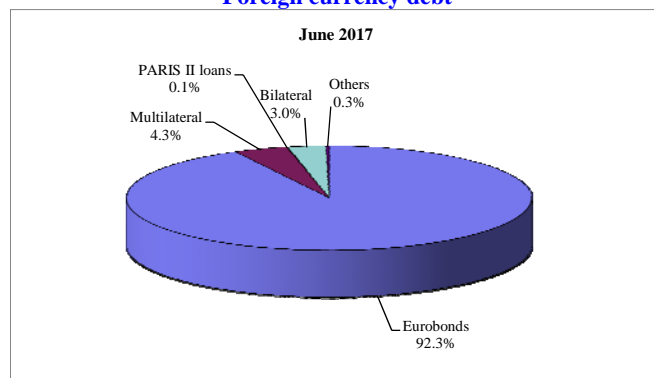
The average maturity of the Government debt securities denominated in the domestic currency was estimated at 1,333 days (3.66 years) as at end June 2017 with a weighted interest of 6.91 percent, while the average maturity of the Government debt instruments denominated in foreign currencies was around 6.97 years with a weighted interest of 6.39 percent.

Local currency debt by type of debt holder



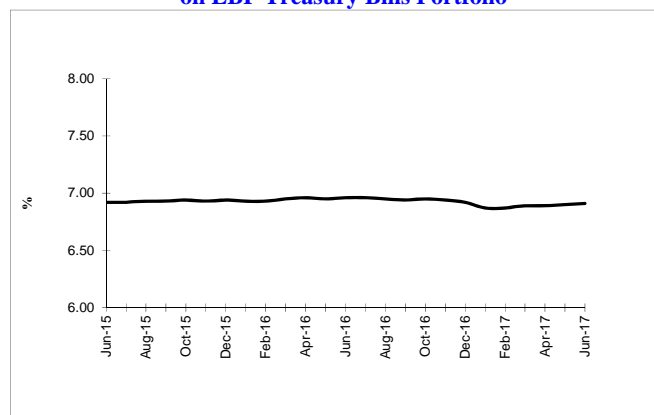
Source: BDL.

Foreign currency debt

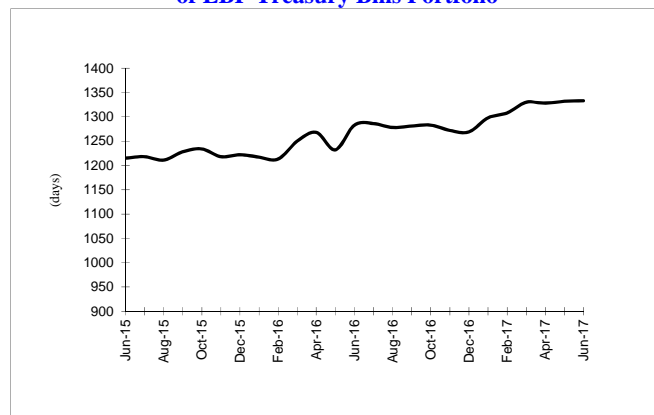


Source: BDL.

Weighted Average Interest Rate on LBP Treasury Bills Portfolio



Weighted Average Life of LBP Treasury Bills Portfolio



GENERAL INDICATORS OF ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES

	2016	Jan - Jun 2016	Jan - Jun 2017	Jun-16	May-17	Jun-17
Imports of Industrial Equipment (000's US\$)	235,513	131,040	n.a.	20,028	23,070	n.a.
Building Permits (000's m2)	12,234	6,421	6,370	1,091	1,297	931
Cement Delivery (000s' tons)	5,247	2,481	2,389	419	495	383
Checks Cleared in LBP (billion LBP)	29,986	14,653	15,804	2,377	2,667	2,534
Checks Cleared in FC (million US\$)	48,160	24,089	23,197	4,076	3,904	3,882
Shipped Goods (tons)-Beirut Port	1,035,992	477,386	n.a.	80,653	88,603	n.a.
Unloaded Goods (tons)-Beirut Port	7,700,609	3,954,390	n.a.	694,750	651,987	n.a.
Passengers Arrivals (000's)-BIA	3,780	1,661	1,791	331	309	394
Passengers Departures (000's)-BIA	3,822	1,605	1,701	241	292	259
Total exports of goods (million USD)	2,977	1,387	1,435	280	240	230
Total imports of goods (million USD)	18,705	9,394	9,378	1,533	1,559	1,454
Balance of Trade (million USD)	-15,728	-8,007	-7,943	-1,253	-1,319	-1,224
Changes of Net Foreign Assets in the banking system (million USD)	1,238	-1,774	-1,116	-13	-592	-758
Gross Foreign Currency Reserves (End of period-million USD)	34,028	-	-	33,197	32,750	33,887
Consumer Price Index (End of period)	98.93	-	-	96.27	99.72	99.61

Sources: BDL, Lebanese Customs, Consultation & Research Institute, Order of engineers, Beirut International Airport, Port of Beirut, Ministry of Industry.



TOTAL IMPORTS & EXPORTS BY PRODUCT
(Million US Dollars)

Goods	Imports			Exports		
	2016	Jan - Jun 2016	Jan - Jun 2017	2016	Jan - Jun 2016	Jan - Jun 2017
1- Live animals, animal products	837	380	407	14	8	8
2- Vegetable products	869	464	508	189	78	75
3- Fats & edible fats & oils	158	88	87	39	20	18
4- Prepared foodstuffs	1,408	682	715	446	233	240
5- Mineral products	3,745	2,109	1,893	19	10	35
6- Products of the chemical	2,030	1,041	1,036	304	154	148
7- Plastics & articles thereof	730	370	364	133	64	65
8- Raw hides & skins, leather, furskins	74	35	32	12	7	6
9- Wood & articles of wood	229	109	104	13	7	6
10- Paper & paperboard & articles thereof	317	162	141	133	61	68
11- Textiles & textile articles	791	383	363	85	42	35
12- Footwear, headgear, prepared feathers	153	78	71	12	7	6
13- Articles of stone, plaster, cement	467	233	238	22	12	11
14- Pearls, precious or semi-precious stones	1,255	503	533	828	304	338
15- Base metals & articles of base metal	1,174	571	616	253	128	159
16- Machinery & mechanical appliances	1,879	930	961	334	181	158
17-Transport equipment	1,773	850	898	18	8	8
18- Optical instruments & apparatus	331	166	171	19	11	8
19- Arms & ammunition	16	8	7	1	0	1
20- Miscellaneous manufactured articles	450	224	226	93	50	40
21- Works of art	19	8	8	8	3	3
Total	18,705	9,394	9,378	2,977	1,387	1,435

Source: Lebanese Customs.

IMPORTS BY ORIGIN
(Million US Dollars)

	Jan - Jun	Share	Jan - Jun	Share
	2016	%	2017	%
CHINA	1,014	10.8	915	9.8
ITALY	719	7.7	751	8.0
GREECE	455	4.8	701	7.5
GERMANY	560	6.0	599	6.4
USA	665	7.1	568	6.1
RUSSIAN FEDERATION	369	3.9	441	4.7
TURKEY	332	3.5	381	4.1
FRANCE	355	3.8	341	3.6
EGYPT	273	2.9	329	3.5
SPAIN	216	2.3	237	2.5
OTHER COUNTRIES	4,436	47.2	4,115	43.9
TOTAL IMPORTS	9,394	100.0	9,378	100.0

Source: Lebanese Customs.

EXPORTS BY DESTINATION
(Million US Dollars)

	Jan - Jun	Share	Jan - Jun	Share
	2016	%	2017	%
SOUTH AFRICA	220	15.9	184	12.8
SYRIA	86	6.2	134	9.3
UAE	125	9.0	125	8.7
SAUDI ARABIA	146	10.5	121	8.4
SWITZERLAND	28	2.0	90	6.3
IRAQ	85	6.1	86	6.0
TURKEY	32	2.3	53	3.7
JORDAN	51	3.7	47	3.3
KUWAIT	33	2.4	43	3.0
QATAR	39	2.8	37	2.6
OTHER COUNTRIES	542	39.1	515	35.9
TOTAL EXPORTS	1,387	100.0	1,435	100.0

Source: Lebanese Customs.



THE CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET OF COMMERCIAL BANKS OPERATING IN LEBANON
(End of Period - Billion LBP)

	2016		2017		
	Jun	Dec	Apr	May	Jun
ASSETS					
Reserves	114,170	135,305	129,510	129,632	135,906
-Cash	726	693	763	804	782
-Deposits at the Central Bank	113,444	134,612	128,747	128,828	135,124
Claims on the Private Sector	74,550	76,943	77,687	78,478	79,578
-Claims denominated in Lebanese Pound	21,536	23,607	24,713	25,142	25,474
-Claims denominated in Foreign Currencies	53,014	53,335	52,974	53,336	54,103
Claims on the Public Sector	56,463	52,344	56,372	56,432	54,203
o/w -Treasury Bills in Lebanese Pound	26,500	28,936	31,450	31,582	29,508
-Treasury Bills in Foreign Currencies	29,822	23,191	24,729	24,654	24,497
Foreign Assets	33,547	34,824	38,580	38,535	35,397
-Claims on Non-Resident Private Sector	9,692	9,256	9,123	8,767	8,492
-Claims on Non-Resident Banks	14,462	16,945	20,929	21,139	18,378
-Other Foreign Assets	9,392	8,623	8,528	8,629	8,527
Fixed Assets	7,425	7,857	7,798	7,831	7,945
Unclassified Assets	806	726	792	975	776
TOTAL ASSETS	286,961	307,999	310,739	311,883	313,805
LIABILITIES					
Liabilities to the Private Sector	184,647	193,765	197,378	198,694	200,440
-Demand Deposits in Lebanese Pound	5,046	5,437	5,445	5,587	5,457
-Other Deposits in Lebanese Pound	70,211	71,467	71,728	71,526	71,863
-Deposits in Foreign Currencies	109,389	116,861	120,206	121,580	123,120
Liabilities to the Public Sector	5,323	5,956	6,297	6,430	5,949
Deposits of Non-Residents	48,497	51,196	52,090	51,765	52,414
-Denominated in Lebanese Pound	6,660	6,827	6,710	6,589	6,865
-Denominated in Foreign Currencies	41,838	44,369	45,380	45,175	45,550
Liabilities to Non-Resident Banks	9,357	9,467	9,610	9,804	9,909
Bonds	406	408	437	454	434
Capital Base	26,223	27,497	28,255	28,159	28,446
-Core Capital	24,394	25,660	26,429	26,332	26,611
-Supplementary Capital	1,830	1,838	1,826	1,826	1,835
Unclassified Liabilities	12,508	19,708	16,672	16,578	16,213
TOTAL LIABILITIES	286,961	307,999	310,739	311,883	313,805

Source: BDL.



MONEY SUPPLY AND COUNTERPARTS
(End of Period - Billion LBP)

	2016		2017		
	Jun	Dec	Apr	May	Jun
<u>Money Supply</u>					
Currency in circulation	4,150	4,592	4,370	4,376	4,652
+ Demand Deposits in LBP	5,149	5,567	5,530	5,655	5,585
= M1	9,299	10,159	9,900	10,031	10,237
+ Other Deposits in LBP	70,973	72,269	72,700	72,478	72,862
= M2	80,272	82,428	82,599	82,509	83,100
+ Deposits in Foreign Currencies	109,981	117,499	120,992	122,393	123,924
+ Bonds	267	266	277	284	268
= M3	190,520	200,192	203,869	205,187	207,291
+ Treasury Bills Held by the Public	10,967	10,797	10,756	10,732	10,925
= M4	201,487	210,989	214,625	215,919	218,216
<u>Counterparts of the Money Supply</u>					
Net Foreign Assets	47,357	49,712	51,931	51,268	50,051
o/w Gold	18,314	16,138	17,616	17,581	17,301
Net Claims on the Public Sector	76,777	76,778	76,290	76,601	76,719
Valuation Adjustment	-10,005	-7,707	-9,353	-9,442	-9,239
Claims on the Private Sector	77,844	80,188	80,996	81,789	83,486
Claims in LBP	22,729	24,918	26,081	26,511	26,918
Claims in FC	55,115	55,270	54,915	55,278	56,569
Other Items (Net)	-1,453	1,222	4,004	4,970	6,273
TOTAL	190,520	200,192	203,869	205,187	207,291

Source: BDL.



OUTSTANDING PUBLIC DEBT BY TYPE OF HOLDER
(End of Period - Billion LBP)
(Actual Value*)

Year And Month	Total Debt	Local Currency Debt				Foreign Currency Debt					
		Central Bank	Banks	Others ⁽¹⁾	Total	IDI**	FG+	Paris II loans	Others ⁽²⁾	Total	
2015	Dec	106,031	24,308	29,878	11,009	65,195	1,515	1,585	83	37,653	40,836
2016	Jun	109,893	28,560	26,749	10,967	66,276	1,603	1,514	67	40,433	43,617
	Jul	110,631	30,023	25,831	11,040	66,894	1,590	1,508	67	40,572	43,737
	Aug	111,632	30,442	26,154	11,175	67,771	1,595	1,519	50	40,697	43,861
	Sep	112,663	30,183	27,724	10,885	68,792	1,596	1,519	51	40,705	43,871
	Oct	112,338	30,215	27,540	10,831	68,586	1,590	1,472	50	40,640	43,752
	Nov	112,379	30,436	28,591	10,863	69,890	1,577	1,386	48	39,478	42,489
	Dec	112,910	30,150	29,581	10,797	70,528	1,577	1,395	48	39,362	42,382
2017	Jan	114,846	30,038	31,704	10,590	72,332	1,571	1,412	49	39,482	42,514
	Feb	114,799	28,915	32,202	10,919	72,036	1,750	1,408	32	39,573	42,763
	Mar	116,356	27,942	32,393	10,964	71,299	1,774	1,412	32	41,839	45,057
	Apr	115,976	27,984	32,183	10,756	70,923	1,820	1,397	33	41,803	45,053
	May	115,652	27,767	32,420	10,732	70,919	1,863	1,353	33	41,484	44,733
	Jun	115,263	29,366	30,264	10,925	70,555	1,922	1,360	34	41,392	44,708

Source :BDL.

* The figures are equal to the principal paid plus the interests due.

** IDI : International Development Institutions.

+ FG : Foreign Governments.

(1) Include: public TB's, public entities TB's and financial institutions TB's.

(2) Include: Eurobonds holders (banks, non banks, residents and non residents), foreign private sector loans and special TB's in FC (expropriation bonds).

TREASURY BILLS PORTFOLIO IN LBP
(Face value, Billion LBP)

Year And Month		In Circulation End of period	Issue	Reimbursement	Weighted	Weighted
					Average	Average
					Life	Interest
					(days)	(%)
2015	Dec	64,112	905	958	1,222	6.94
2016	Jun	65,280	3,403	1,053	1,283	6.96
	Jul	65,765	1,748	1,263	1,286	6.96
	Aug	66,535	1,652	885	1,278	6.95
	Sep	67,627	2,630	1,538	1,281	6.94
	Oct	67,346	1,092	1,373	1,283	6.95
	Nov	68,498	1,732	580	1,272	6.94
	Dec	69,347	1,900	1,051	1,269	6.92
2017	Jan	71,034	3,109	1,422	1,298	6.87
	Feb	70,716	1,670	1,988	1,308	6.87
	Mar	70,067	1,964	2,613	1,330	6.89
	Apr	69,605	916	1,378	1,328	6.89
	May	69,498	1,318	1,425	1,332	6.90
	Jun	69,398	1,426	1,526	1,333	6.91

Source:BDL.



AVERAGE INTEREST RATES

Year And Month	Average Lending **		Average Deposit		Inter Bank Rate *	3m Libor \$	Interest rates on TBs (last issue)									
	Rate on Funds in		Rate on Funds in				3-m	6-m	12-m	24-m	36-m	60-m	84-m	96-m	120-m	144-m
	LBP	US\$	LBP	US\$												
2015	Dec	7.45	7.06	5.56	3.17	3.03	0.54	4.39	4.87	5.08	5.76	6.40	6.63			7.33
2016	Jun	8.31	7.20	5.56	3.31	3.80	0.65	4.39	4.87	5.08	5.76	6.40	6.63	6.96		7.33
	Jul	8.32	7.25	5.57	3.30	3.04	0.70	4.39	4.87	5.08	5.76	6.40	6.63	6.96		7.33
	Aug	8.29	7.28	5.56	3.39	3.02	0.81	4.39	4.87	5.08	5.76	6.40	6.63	6.96		7.33
	Sep	8.44	7.20	5.58	3.43	3.00	0.85	4.39	4.87	5.08	5.76	6.40	6.63	6.96		7.33
	Oct	8.35	7.06	5.53	3.43	3.03	0.88	4.39	4.87	5.08	5.76	6.40	6.63	6.96		7.33
	Nov	8.26	7.16	5.54	3.48	3.00	0.91	4.39	4.87	5.08	5.76	6.40	6.63	6.96		7.33
	Dec	8.23	7.35	5.56	3.52	3.00	0.98	4.39	4.87	5.08	5.76	6.40	4.94	6.96		7.33
2017	Jan	8.47	7.26	5.55	3.52	3.03	1.03	4.39	4.87	5.08	5.76	6.40	4.94	6.96		7.33
	Feb	8.37	7.14	5.56	3.57	3.00	1.05	4.39	4.87	5.08	5.76	6.40	6.63	6.96		7.33
	Mar	8.43	7.32	5.57	3.53	3.00	1.14	4.39	4.87	5.08	5.76	6.40	6.63	6.96		7.33
	Apr	8.33	7.22	5.54	3.62	3.13	1.16	4.39	4.87	5.08	5.76	6.40	6.63	6.96		7.33
	May	8.48	7.36	5.57	3.62	3.00	1.19	4.39	4.87	5.08	5.76	6.40	6.63	6.96		7.33
	Jun	8.39	7.27	5.51	3.58	4.26	1.26	4.39	4.87	5.08	5.76	6.40	6.63	6.96		7.33

Sources: BDL, Société Financière du Liban s.a.l.

* On Funds in LBP, weighted by daily volume.

** Starting January 2016, lending rates are calculated according to intermediary circular No 389.

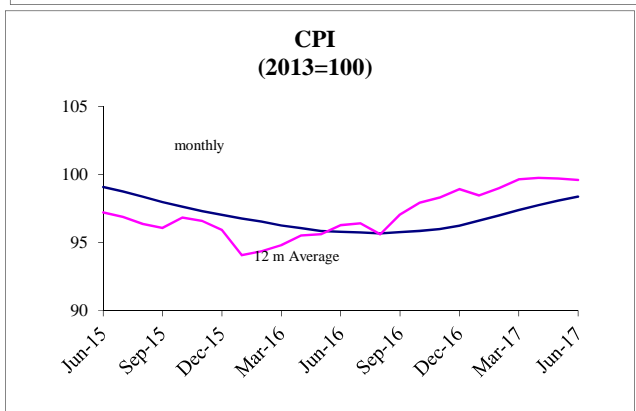
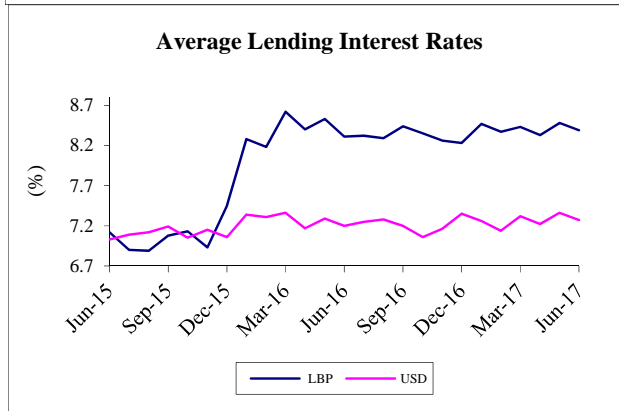
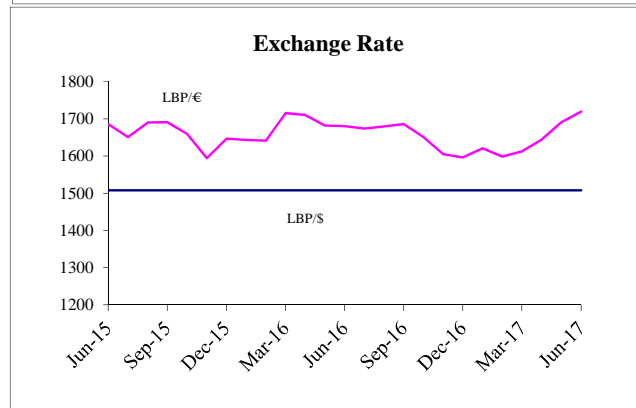
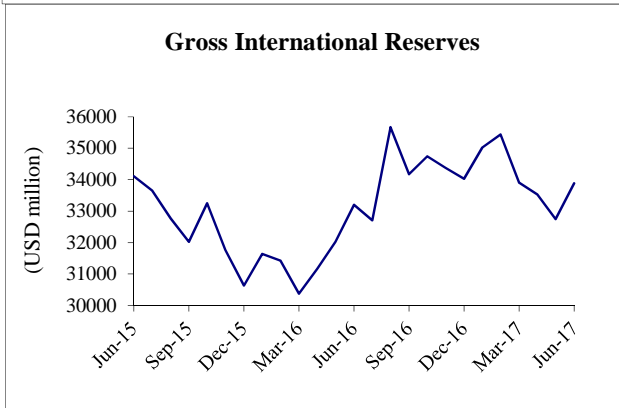
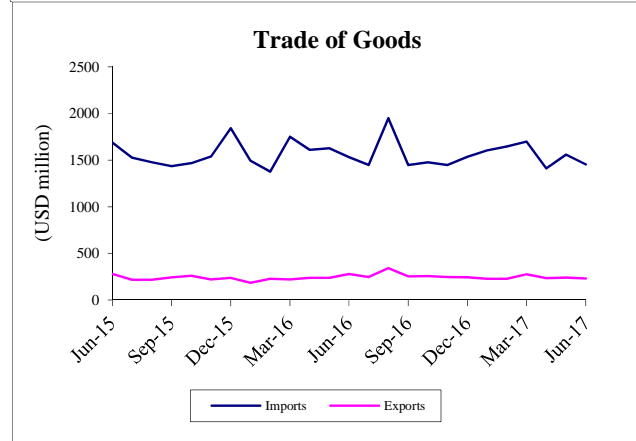
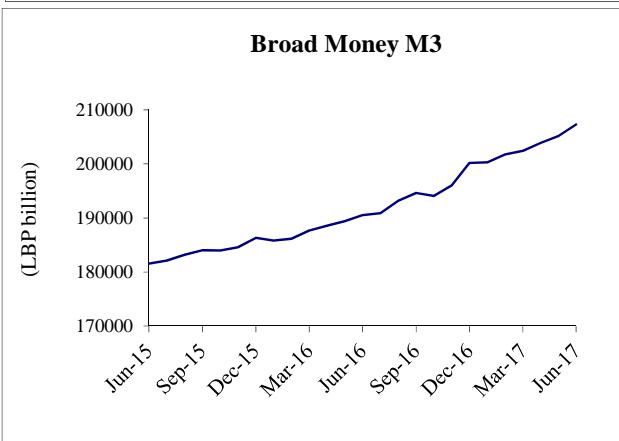
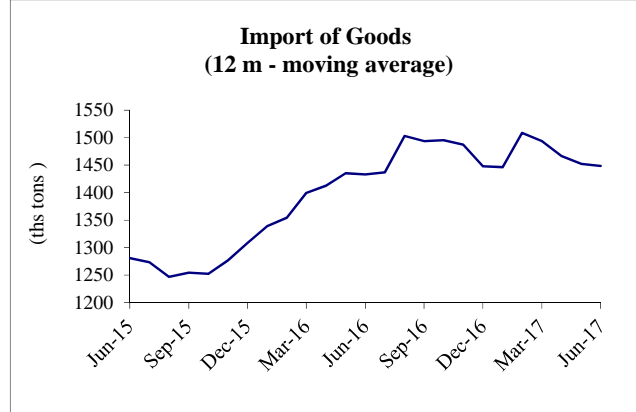
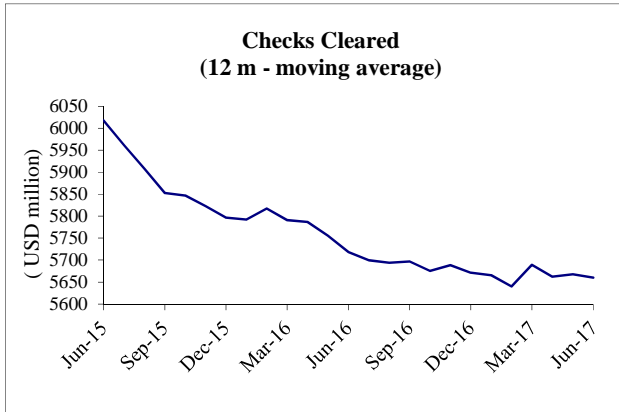
END OF PERIOD EXCHANGE RATES
(LBP per other currencies)

Year and Month	US Dollar	Swiss Franc	British Pound	Japanese Yen	Euro	
2015	Dec	1,507.50	1,520.88	2,232.46	12.51	1,646.64
2016	Jun	1,507.50	1,544.89	2,033.47	14.66	1,680.11
	Jul	1,507.50	1,542.20	1,983.87	14.53	1,673.48
	Aug	1,507.50	1,531.70	1,980.55	14.60	1,679.66
	Sep	1,507.50	1,556.37	1,954.93	14.92	1,685.84
	Oct	1,507.50	1,524.58	1,834.63	14.35	1,650.86
	Nov	1,507.50	1,485.81	1,877.74	13.31	1,605.19
	Dec	1,507.50	1,485.81	1,856.03	12.90	1,596.29
2017	Jan	1,507.50	1,518.43	1,878.80	13.28	1,620.41
	Feb	1,507.50	1,500.75	1,875.33	13.43	1,598.55
	Mar	1,507.50	1,507.20	1,878.50	13.48	1,612.12
	Apr	1,507.50	1,518.13	1,949.80	13.55	1,643.78
	May	1,507.50	1,552.36	1,935.33	13.60	1,690.51
	Jun	1,507.50	1,572.77	1,957.19	13.47	1,719.00

Source: BDL.



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