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## **BANK OF JAMAICA**

NET INTERNATIONAL RESERVES AND BASE MONEY INDICATORS

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

	End <u>November 2014</u>	End <u>December 2014</u> <sup>P</sup>	<u>Change</u>
Uses:			
Net Currency Issue Total Currency Issue Notes Issue Coins Issue Less: Cash held by BOJ	<b>64,374.23</b> 64,472.42 61,383.78 3,088.64 98.19	<b>74,937.09</b> 75,032.89 71,912.94 3,119.94 95.80	<b>10,562.86</b> 10,560.47 10,529.16 31.30 -2.39
Commercial Banks' Statutory Reserves Commercial Banks' Current Account <sup>1</sup> Monetary Base <sup>2</sup>	33,682.05 652.15 98,708.43	33,684.99 260.46 108,882.53	2.94 -391.69 10,174.11
Sources:			
Net International Reserves Assets Liabilities	<b>213,296.16</b> 258,712.97 -45,416.81	<b>212,969.57</b> 263,172.42 -50,202.85	<b>-326.59</b> 4,459.45 -4,786.04
Net Domestic Assets Net Claims on the Public Sector Open Market Operations Net Credit to Commercial Banks Other	-114,587.73 137,000.29 -35,748.64 -22,869.92 -192,969.45	-104,087.03 142,209.34 -25,480.83 -23,210.07 -197,605.48	<b>10,500.69</b> 5,209.05 10,267.81 -340.15 -4,636.03
Total	98,708.43	108,882.53	10,174.11

Transaction balances and excess reserves. Data reflect credit balances only. Note: Statutory cash reserve and current accounts of commercial banks are held at the Bank of Jamaica.

## BANK OF JAMAICA'S INTERNATIONAL RESERVES (US\$M)

	End November 2014	End December 2014 <sup>P</sup>	<b>Change</b>
FOREIGN ASSETS	2,431.97	2,473.89	41.92
FOREIGN LIABILITIES IMF Other	<b>426.93</b> 404.43 22.50	<b>471.92</b> 449.42 22.50	<b>44.99</b> 44.99 0.00
NET INTERNATIONAL RESERVES	2,005.04	2,001.97	-3.07
Reserves in Weeks of Goods Imports <sup>1</sup> Reserves in Weeks of Goods & Services Imports	24.89 17.61	25.32 17.92	

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Monetary Base is the aggregate of Net Currency Issue, Commercial Banks' Statutory Cash Reserves and Current Account.

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