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1.0 Summary¹

The stance of monetary policy in the review period remained restrictive, as the Monetary Policy Rate was maintained at 13.50 per cent. On month-on-month basis, broad money supply (M₃), fell by 3.1 per cent to №34,752.62 billion at end-December 2019. The development reflected, wholly, the 25.7 per cent decline in securities other than shares in financial corporations. Over the level at end-December 2018, broad money supply (M₃), grew by 6.2 per cent, compared with the respective growth of 9.6 per cent and 14.9 per cent at end-November 2019 and the corresponding period of 2018. The growth in broad money supply (M₃), over the level at end-December 2018, reflected, the 13.7 per cent and 6.0 per cent growth in other deposits and demand deposits, respectively.

Narrow money supply (M₁), on month-on-month basis, grew by 4.5 per cent to N10,530.32 billion at end-December 2019, compared with the 0.7 per cent and 7.4 per cent growth at the end of the preceding month and the corresponding period of 2018, respectively. The rise in narrow money supply (M₁), reflected, the 12.5 per cent and 2.7 per cent increase in currency outside depository corporations and demand deposits, respectively. Over the level at end-December 2018, M₁ rose by 1.3 per cent. It, however, contrasted with the decline of 3.0 per cent at end-November 2019.

Movements in banks' deposit and lending rates were mixed in January 2020. With the exception of the over 12 months deposit rates, which fell by 1.2 per cent below the level in the preceding month, all other deposit rates, of various maturities, rose from a range of 7.48 per cent to 9.03 per cent in the preceding month to a range of 9.10 per cent to 9.50 per cent in January 2020.

The weighted average prime lending rate remain unchanged at the preceding month's level of 14.99 per cent, while maximum lending rate fell by 1.1 percentage point to 24.99 per cent, in January 2020. Consequently, the spread between the average term deposit and the maximum lending rates narrowed by 1.2 percentage point to 22.50 percentage points at end-January 2020. Similarly, the spread between the average savings deposit and maximum lending rates narrowed by 0.85 percentage point to 26.31 percentage points at end-January 2020.

The total value of money market assets outstanding during the review period stood at N13.43 billion, showing an increase of 3.0 per cent, compared with the growth of 2.3 per cent in the preceding month. The development was attributed, largely, to the 4.0 per cent increase in the FGN Bonds outstanding. Activities on the Nigerian Stock Exchange (NSE) were bullish in the month of January 2020.

Federally-collected revenue (gross) was estimated at N952.49 billion in January 2020. This was below the monthly budget by 23.6 per cent. It, however, rose above the receipts in December 2019 by 14.1 per cent. Oil and non-oil receipts (gross), at N556.82 billion and N395.67 billion, in the review month, constituted 58.5 per cent and 41.5 per cent of total revenue, respectively. Federal Government retained revenue and estimated expenditure for January 2020 were N325.54 billion and N587.05 billion, respectively, resulting in an estimated deficit of N261.51 billion.

The predominant agricultural activities in January 2020 were harvesting of tree crops

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Data on monetary aggregates, government spending and foreign exchange flows are provisional and subject to change.

and fruits, clearing of land for the rainy season and the cultivation of irrigated lands. In the livestock sub-sector, farmers intensified their activities in raising of broilers and layers to replenish depleted stock, following the end of the year yuletide period.

Domestic crude oil production was estimated at 1.82 mbd or 56.4 mb in January 2020. Crude oil export was estimated at 1.37 mbd or 42.5 mb, while the allocation of crude oil for domestic consumption was 0.45 mbd or 13.95 mb in the review month. The average spot price of Nigeria's reference crude oil, the Bonny Light (37° API), fell by 3.9 per cent to US\$67.73 per barrel at end-January 2020.

The end-period headline inflation, on year-on-year and twelve-month moving average bases, was 11.98 per cent and 11.40 per cent, respectively, in December 2019, compared with 11.85 per cent and 11.35 per cent, in November 2019.

Foreign exchange inflow and outflow through the CBN in January 2020 were US\$4.98 billion and US\$5.53 billion, respectively, resulting in a net outflow of US\$0.55 billion. Aggregate foreign exchange inflow and outflow through the economy were US\$17.10 billion and US\$5.92 billion, respectively, resulting in a net inflow of US\$11.18 billion. Foreign exchange sales by the CBN to authorised dealers amounted to US\$3.44 billion, in the review period, compared with US\$3.81 billion in the preceding month.

The average exchange rate of the naira at the Inter-Bank, BDC segment and the "Investors and Exporters" window were N306.95/US\$, N361.35/US\$ and N363.13/US\$, respectively, in January 2020, compared with N306.95/US\$, N360.25/US\$ and N363.57/US\$ in December 2019. The gross external reserves was US\$36.73 billion at end-January 2020, compared with US\$38.09 billion at end-December 2019.

The major international economic developments and meetings of importance to the domestic economy, in the review month, included the Extra-ordinary Meeting of the Ministers for Finance and the Committee of Governors of the Central Banks of the West African Monetary Zone (WAMZ) Member States, also referred to as the Convergence Council, held at the CBN Head Office Abuja, Nigeria, on January 16, 2020.

2.0 Financial Sector Developments

2.1 Monetary and Credit Developments

Broad money supply (M₃) fell, while narrow money supply (M₁) grew in December 2019. Banks' deposit and lending rates showed mixed developments in the review month. The value of money market assets outstanding rose, owing, largely, to the increase in the FGN Bonds Outstanding. Activities on the Nigerian Stock Market were bullish in the review month.

The stance of monetary policy in the review period remained restrictive, as the Monetary Policy Rate was maintained at 13.50 per cent. Consequently, broad measure of money supply (M_3), on month-on-month basis, fell by 3.1 per cent to $\frac{1}{2}$ 34,752.62 billion at end-December 2019, in contrast to the respective growth of 2.6 per cent and 4.9 per cent at end-November 2019 and the corresponding period of 2018. The development reflected, wholly, the 25.7 per cent decline in securities other than shares in financial corporations.

Over the level at end-December 2018, broad money supply (M₃), grew by 6.2 per cent at end-December 2019, compared with the respective growth of 9.6 per cent and 14.9 per cent at end-November 2019 and the corresponding period of 2018. The growth in broad money supply (M₃), reflected, largely, the 13.7 per cent and 6.0 per cent growth in other deposits and demand deposits, respectively.

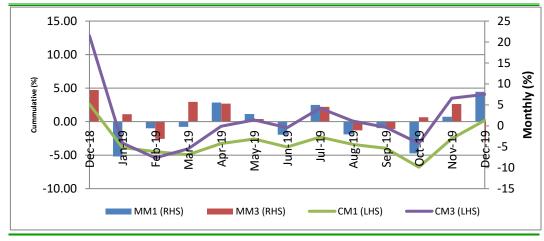


Figure 1: Growth of Narrow Money (M₁) and Broad Money (M₃)²

Source: CBN

Aggregate credit to the domestic economy (net), on month-on-month basis, rose by 3.4 per cent to \$\frac{\mathbb{H}}{36}\$,182.59 billion at end-December 2019, compared with the growth of 0.8 per cent and 9.3 per cent at the end of the preceding month and the corresponding period of 2018, respectively. The development was attributed, largely, to the 12.0 per cent and 0.7 per cent increase in net claims on the Central Government and claims on other sectors, respectively.

Relative to the level at end-December 2018, aggregate credit to the domestic economy (net), rose by 27.3 per cent, compared with the growth of 23.1 per cent and 9.5 per cent at end-November 2019 and the corresponding period of 2018, respectively. The growth in aggregate credit reflected the increase of 93.0 per cent and 13.6 per cent in net claims on the Central Government and claims on other sectors, respectively.

Net claims on the Central Government, on month-on-month basis, rose by 12.0 per cent at end-December 2019, compared with the growth of 108.6 per cent at the end of the corresponding period of 2018. It, however, was in contrast to the 2.5 per cent decline at the end of preceding month. The rise in net claims on the Central Government reflected the increase in holdings of government securities by the Central Bank of Nigeria. Over the level at end-December 2018, net claims on the Central Government rose by 93.0 per cent, compared with the growth of 72.4 per cent and 32.4 per cent at the end of the preceding month and the corresponding period of 2018, respectively.

Relative to the level at end-December 2019, banking system's credit to

² MM1 and MM3 represent month-on-month changes, while CM1 and CM3 represent cumulative changes (year-to-date changes or growth over preceding December)

other sectors of the economy, at \$\frac{1}{2}26,699.80\$ billion, grew by 0.7 per cent, compared with the growth of 1.9 per cent at the end of the preceding month. It was, however, in contrast to the 0.6 per cent decline at the end of the corresponding period of 2018. The development was attributed, mainly, to the 3.7 per cent and 2.4 per cent increase in claims on state and local governments, and claims on public non-financial corporations, respectively. Over the level at end-December 2018, banking system's credit to other sectors grew by 13.6 per cent, compared with the growth of 12.8 per cent and 5.7 per cent at the end of the preceding month and the corresponding period of 2018, respectively (Figure 2, Table 1).

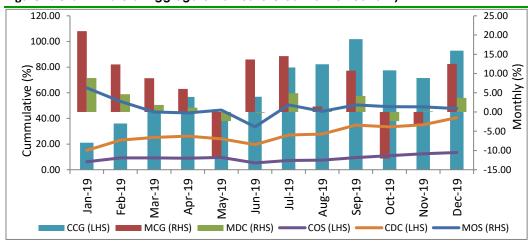


Figure 2: Growth Rate of Aggregate Domestic Credit to the Economy³

Source: CBN

Net foreign assets (NFA) of the banking system, on month-on-month basis, fell by 25.9 per cent to \$\frac{\text{\text{\text{\text{M}}}}}{5.806.32}\$ billion at end-December 2019, compared with the decline of 9.4 per cent at the end of the corresponding period of 2018. It was, however, in contrast to the 12.8 per cent growth at the end of the preceding month. The fall in NFA was due, largely, to the decrease in claims on the monetary authority and other depository corporations by non-residents. Over the level at end-December 2018, NFA fell by 51.0 per cent at end-December 2019, compared with the decline of 33.8 per cent at end-November 2019.

Other items (net) of the banking system grew by 2.3 per cent to \$\frac{\text{\text{\text{H}}}1,845.29}\$ billion at end-December 2019, compared with the 20.4 per cent increase at the end of the corresponding period of 2018, but was in contrast to the decline of 19.0 per cent at the end of the preceding month. The development was due to the growth in unclassified assets of the monetary

³ MOS, MCG and MDC represent month-on-month changes in claims on other sectors, central government (net) and domestic claims (net) to the domestic economy, respectively, while COS, CCG and CDC, represent the cumulative changes (year-to-date).

authority and other depository corporations. Relative to the level at end-December 2018, other items (net) fell by 36.2 per cent, compared with the decline of 37.7 per cent at the end of the preceding period, but was in contrast to the 3.9 per cent increase at the end of the corresponding period of 2018.

Table 1: Growth in Monetary and Credit Aggregates (over preceding month-Per cent)⁴

	Dec-18	Jan-19	Feb-18	Mar-19	Apr-19	May-19	Jun-19	Jul-19	Aug-19	Sep-19	Oct-19	Nov-19	Dec-19
Domestic Claims	9.3	8.6	4.4	1.9	0.3	-2.4	-0.3	5.8	0.7	4.3	-2.6	0.8	3.4
Claims on Central Government (Net)	108.6	26.8	6.6	8.9	5.7	-12.1	13.8	14.9	2.0	10.7	-12.5	-2.5	12.0
Claims on Other Sectors	-0.6	4.8	3.8	0.1	-1.3	0.6	-4.0	2.9	0.3	2.1	1.3	1.9	0.7
Foreign Assets (Net)	-9.4	-7.5	-26.4	24.3	-3.3	11.3	-7.8	-149.0	-19.4	-20.8	28.6	12.8	-25.9
Other Items (Net)	20.4	45.6	-5.4	31.4	0.2	-2.9	-24.1	-21.8	-38.7	30.2	-7.8	-19.0	2.3
Broad Money Supply (M3)	4.9	0.4	-2.6	4.0	0.2	0.8	1.3	2.8	-1.0	-1.2	2.2	2.6	-3.1
Other Deposits	6.2	-1.7	0.4	4.0	0.6	2.0	4.0	1.2	-2.7	-0.6	0.8	2.4	2.9
Narrow Money Supply (M1)	7.4	-2.6	-2.3	-0.4	-2.2	0.3	-1.7	3.5	-1.3	-0.4	3.6	0.7	4.6
Money Supply (M3)	4.9	0.4	-2.6	4.0	0.2	0.8	1.3	2.8	-1.0	-1.2	2.2	2.6	-3.1
Reserve Money (RM)	5.6	4.9	7.7	0.5	-2.5	2.6	-11.9	4.1	-6.7	0.3	6.4	-1.3	17.9

Source: CBN

figures in table 1 are provisional

2.2 Currency-in-Circulation (CIC) and Deposits at the CBN

Currency-in-circulation, on month-on-month basis, grew by 10.9 per cent to $\frac{1}{2}$,442.99 billion at end-December 2019, compared with the growth of 7.1 per cent at the end of the preceding month. The development, relative to the preceding month, reflected the rise in its currency outside depository corporations component.

Relative to the levels at the end of the preceding month, deposits of other depository corporations and deposits included in broad money with the CBN rose, while deposits of the Central Government with the CBN declined. Overall, aggregate deposit at the CBN, rose by 8.3 per cent to \$\frac{1}{2}\$15,508.55 billion at end-December 2019. Of the total deposits at the CBN, the shares of the Central Government, other depository corporations and the deposits included in broad money were 41.9 per cent, 40.2 per cent and 17.9 per cent, respectively.

Reserve money (RM) rose in the review month.

Reserve money rose by 17.9 per cent to \(\frac{14}{48}\),669.83 billion at end-December 2019. The upward movement in reserve money reflected, the 20.9 per cent and 10.9 per cent increase in liabilities to other depository corporations

⁴ Following the adoption of the new Monetary and Financial Survey, Domestic Credit (Net) is now called Domestic Claims, Claims on Federal Government (Net) is Claims on Central Government (Net), Claims on Private Sector is Claims on Other sectors, Other Assets (Net) is Other Items (Net), while Quasi-money is other deposits.

and currency-in-circulation, respectively.

2.3 Money Market Developments

During the review period, the key financial market indicators remained relatively stable. Movements in domestic money market rates were influenced, largely, by the level of liquidity, arising from inflow, such as fiscal disbursements, maturing Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) bills and Federal Government of Nigeria (FGN) securities and outflow from the sale of CBN bills, FGN securities and provisioning settlement for foreign exchange purchases. The stability at the foreign exchange market could be attributed to the sustained intervention in the market by the CBN.

In line with the Bank's tight monetary policy stance, excess liquidity, arising from maturing CBN bills, worth \(\frac{1}{2}\),304.56 billion and fiscal injections, was consistently mopped up through Open Market Operations (OMO) auctions. In the month under review, OMO auctions culminated in the withdrawal of \(\frac{1}{2}\)1,681.54 billion through the sale of CBN bills tenored at 81-362 days, with stop rates ranging from 11.48 per cent to 13.28 per cent. This represented an increase of 30.6 per cent, compared with \(\frac{1}{2}\)1,287.16 billion sold in December 2019.

The total value of money market assets outstanding in December 2019 was \$\frac{1}{4}13.42\$ billion, showing an increase of 3.0 per cent, compared with the growth of 2.3 per cent in the preceding month. The development was attributed, mainly, to the 4.0 per cent increase in the FGN Bonds outstanding.

2.3.1 Interest Rate Developments

Money market rates were generally stable and the movement was in tandem with the level of liquidity in the review period. Short-term money market rates were traded below the MPR of 13.50 per cent in the major parts of the review period. Provisional data indicated that movements in banks' deposit and lending rates were mixed in January 2020. With the exception of the over 12 months deposit rates, which fell by 1.2 per cent below the level in the preceding month, all other deposit rates, of various maturities, rose from a range of 7.48 per cent – 9.03 per cent in the preceding month to a range of 9.10 per cent – 9.50 per cent in January 2020.

Staff estimates indicated that movements in banks' deposit and lending rates were mixed in the review month.

The weighted average prime lending rate remain unchanged at the preceding month's level of 14.99 per cent, while maximum lending rate fell by 1.1 percentage point to 24.99 per cent, in January 2020. Consequently, the spread between the average term deposit and the maximum lending rates narrowed by 1.2 percentage point to 22.50 percentage points at end-January 2020. Similarly, the spread between the average savings

deposit and maximum lending rates narrowed by 0.85 percentage point to 26.31 percentage points at end-January 2020.

Average inter-bank rate, which stood at 3.82 per cent at end-December 2019, rose by 2.8 percentage points to 6.64 per cent at end-January 2020. Open-buy-back (OBB) rate, which stood at 3.24 per cent in the preceding month, rose by 2.4 percentage points to 5.66 per cent at end-January 2020. The Nigeria inter-bank offered rate (NIBOR), for the 30-day tenor, fell to 9.31 per cent in the review period, compared with 11.55 per cent at end-December 2019. With headline inflation at 11.98 per cent in December 2019, all deposit rates remained negative in real terms, while lending rates were positive in real terms (Figure 3, Table 2).

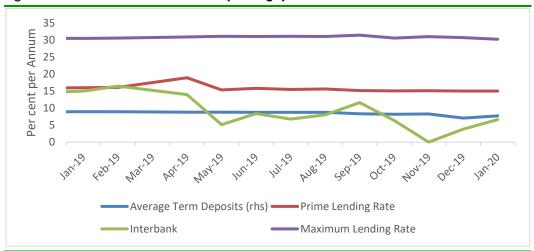


Figure 3: Selected DMBs Interest Rates (Average)

Source: CBN

Table 2: Selected Interest Rates (Per cent, Averages)

	Jan-19	Feb-19	Mar-19	Apr-19	May-19	Jun-19	Jul-19	Aug-19	Sep-19	Oct-19	Nov-19	Dec-19	Jan-20
Average Term Deposits	8.92	8.93	8.73	8.67	8.69	8.75	8.39	8.33	8.35	8.19	8.27	7.06	7.73
Prime Lending	16.01	16.08	14.92	18.92	15.33	15.8	15.46	15.4	15.15	15.07	15.11	14.99	14.99
Interbank Call	15	16.45	11.5	13.98	5.14	8.38	6.79	8	11.61	6.37	0	3.82	6.64
Maximum Lending	30.48	30.56	30.89	30.89	31.07	31.04	31.07	31.04	31.43	30.56	31	30.72	30.23

Source: CBN

2.3.2 Commercial Paper (CP)

Commercial paper (CP) outstanding held by commercial banks stood at \$\frac{1}{2.17}\$ billion at the end of the review month, showing a decrease of 65.5 per cent, compared with \$\frac{1}{2.35}\$ billion recorded in the preceding month. Thus, CP constituted 0.1 per cent of the total value of money market assets outstanding in the review period, compared with the 0.30 per cent at the end of the preceding month.

2.3.3 Bankers' Acceptances (BAs)

BAs stood at \(\text{\tint{\text{\tin}\text{\tet

2.3.4 Certificate of Deposits (CDs)

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2.3.5 Open Market Operations

The Bank intervened through the conduct of direct Open Market Operations (OMO) auctions to moderate liquidity during the review month. The tenor to maturity of the instruments ranged from 81 to 362 days. Total amount offered, subscribed to and allotted were \$\frac{1}{4}\$1,350.00 billion, \$\frac{1}{4}\$2,376.88 billion and \$\frac{1}{4}\$1,681.54 billion, respectively. The bid rates ranged from 11.48 per cent to 13.28 per cent, while the stop rates were from 11.48 per cent to 13.28 per cent. Repayment of matured CBN bills was \$\frac{1}{4}\$2,304.56 billion, translating to a net injection of \$\frac{1}{4}\$623.02 billion.

2.3.6 Primary Market

At the Government securities market, NTBs and long-term FGN Bonds were issued on behalf of the Debt Management Office (DMO), in the review period. NTBs of 91-182- and 364-day tenors, amounting to \(\frac{\text{

2.3.7 Bonds Market

Tranches of the 5-, 10- and 30-year bonds were reopened and offered for sale in the review period. Terms to maturity of the bonds were 3 years 3 months, 29 years 3 months. Total amount offered, subscribed to and allotted were $\mbox{$\frac{1}{2}$}150.00$ billion, $\mbox{$\frac{1}{2}$}624.50$ billion and $\mbox{$\frac{1}{2}$}409.99$ billion, respectively. Allotment on non-competitive basis was $\mbox{$\frac{1}{2}$}1.83$ billion. The bid rate ranged from 9.00-14.55 per cent, while the marginal rates of the 5-, 10-, and 30-year bonds were 9.85 per cent, 11.13 per cent and 12.56 per cent, respectively.

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2.3.8 CBN Standing Facilities

The commercial banks and the merchant banks continued to access the Standing Facilities window to square-up their positions in January 2020. The trend at the CBN standing facilities window showed more frequency at the Standing Lending Facility (SLF) window, as against the decreased patronage at the Standing Deposit Facility (SDF) window. Applicable rates for the SLF and SDF remained at 15.50 per cent and 8.50 per cent, respectively.

The total SLF granted, during the review period, was $\frac{1}{4}$ 576.34 billion (made up of $\frac{1}{4}$ 341.96 billion direct SLF and $\frac{1}{4}$ 234.97 billion Intraday Lending Facilities (ILF) converted to overnight repo). Daily average was $\frac{1}{4}$ 38.46 billion in the 15 transaction days from January 1 – 29, 2020. Daily request ranged from $\frac{1}{4}$ 0.07 billion to $\frac{1}{4}$ 181.63 billion. Total interest earned was $\frac{1}{4}$ 0.37 billion.

The total SDF granted during the review period was ± 571.37 billion with a daily average of ± 28.57 billion in the 20 transaction days from January 1-29, 2019. Daily request ranged from ± 2.39 billion to ± 47.90 billion. Cost incurred on SDF in the month stood at ± 0.19 billion.

2.4 Banks' Activities

Total assets and liabilities of commercial banks amounted to \$\frac{\text{\tex

Banks' credit to the domestic economy rose by 3.2 per cent. Commercial banks' credit to the domestic economy rose by 3.2 per cent to \$\frac{\text{\texi}\text{\text{\text{\text{\text{\text{\text{\text{\text{\text{\text{\text{\text{\te\

Total specified liquid assets of banks stood at \$\frac{1}{4}\$15,187.81 billion at end-December 2019, representing 61.5 per cent of their total current liabilities. At that level, the liquidity ratio was 0.7 percentage point higher than the level at the end of the preceding month, and was 31.5 percentage points above the stipulated minimum liquidity ratio of 30.0 per cent. The loan-to-deposit ratio, at 58.6 per cent, was 6.3 percentage point below the level at the end of the preceding month and was lower than the maximum ratio of 80.0 per cent by 21.4 percentage points.

2.5 Capital Market Developments

2.5.1 Secondary Market

Activities on the Nigerian Stock Exchange (NSE) were bullish in January

2020, as the All Share Index (ASI) and the aggregate market capitalisation rose. The turnover volume and value of traded securities rose by 29.7 per cent and 50.2 per cent to 7.2 billion shares and 494.18 billion, respectively, in 85,911 deals, compared with 5.5 billion shares worth 462.72 billion, in 59,576 deals, at end-December 2019 (Figure 4, Table 3).

12.00 160.00 140.00 10.00 Volume (Billion) 120.00 8.00 100.00 6.00 80.00 60.00 4.00 40.00 2.00 20.00 0.00 Volume of traded securities (LHS) Value of securities (RHS)

Figure 4: Volume and Value of Traded Securities

Source: NSE

Table 3: Traded Securities on the Nigerian Stock Exchange (NSE)

	Jan-19	Feb-19	Mar-19	Apr-19	May-19	Jun-19	Jul-19	Aug-19	Sep-19	Oct-19	Nov-19	Nov-19	Dec-19	Jan-20
Volume (Billion)	6.2	7.9	6.6	8.6	6.1	10.9	5.5	6.0	4.8	6.1	7.0	5.6	5.5	7.2
Value (N Billion)	59.6	93.0	56.1	72.6	109.9	147.5	56.0	62.0	69.7	83.2	86.5	62.7	62.7	94.2

Source: NSE

2.5.2 New/Supplementary Issues Market

There was no new listing in the review period.

2.5.3 Market Capitalisation

The aggregate market capitalisation rose by 8.6 per cent to \(\frac{\text{\tet

2.5.4 NSE All-Share Index

The ASI, which opened at 26,842.07 at the beginning of the month, closed at 28,843.53, representing an increase of 7.5 per cent, above the level in the preceding month.

Developments in the sectoral indices were, however, mixed. The NSE Premium, NSE Industrial, NSE-Lotus Islamic, NSE Insurance, NSE Banking, and NSE Pension, indices rose by 124.8 per cent, 14.4 per cent, 10.1 per cent, 4.9 per cent, 4.8 per cent, and 3.3 per cent, respectively, relative to their levels at the end of the preceding month. The NSE-Consumer Goods, and NSE Oil/Gas indices fell by 5.8 per cent, and 4.2 per cent, respectively, while the NSE ASeM Index closed flat at end-January 2020 (Figure 5, Table 4).

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Figure 5: Market Capitalisation and All-Share Index

Source: NSE

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Table 4: Aggregate Market Capitalisation and All Share Index (NSE)

May-19

■ Market Capitalization (LHS)

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	Jun-19	Jul-19	Aug-19	Sep-19	Oct-19	Nov-19	Dec-19	Jan-20
Aggegate Market Capitalization (N trillion)	25.73	25.96	26.24	26.29	25.4	26.2	25.89	28.12
All-Share Index	29,966.87	27,718.26	27,525.81	27,630.56	26,355.35	27,002.15	26,842.07	28,843.53

Source: NSE

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3.0 Fiscal Operations⁵

Federally-collected revenue in January 2020 was below the monthly budget estimate by 23.6 per cent. It, however, rose above the receipts collected in December 2019 by 14.1 per cent. Federal Government retained revenue for the review month was \(\frac{4}{3}25.54\) billion, while total expenditure was \(\frac{4}{5}87.05\) billion, resulting in an estimated deficits of 4261.51 billion.

3.1 Federation Account Operations

Figure 6: Components of Gross Federally-Collected Revenue

At \$4952.49 billion, the estimated federally-collected revenue (gross) in January 2020 fell below the monthly budget of \$\text{\ti}\text{\texi{\text{\texi{\text{\texi}\text{\texi}\text{\text{\text{\texi}\text{\texicl{\texi{\texi}\til\text{\text{\text{\text{\text{\tinte\tint{\text{\texi}\text{\te cent. It, however, rose above the receipts of 4834.88 billion in December 2019 by 14.1 per cent. The decline, relative to the monthly budget estimate, was attributed to shortfall in both oil and non-oil revenues (Fig. 6, Table 5).

At ¥952.49 billion, the estimated federally-collected revenue (gross) in January 2020 fell short of the monthly budget estimate of ₩1,246.07 billion by 23.6 per cent.



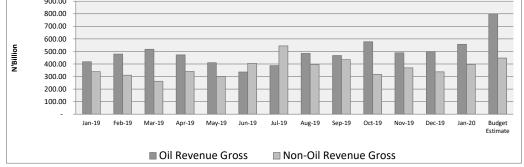


Table 5: Gross Federation Account Revenue (N billion)

	Jan-19	Feb-19	Mar-19	Apr-19	May-19	Jun-19	Jul-19	Aug-19	Sep-19	Oct-19	Nov-19	Dec-19	Jan-20	Monthly Budget Est
Federally-collected Revenue(Gross)	773.4	800.4	829.8	763.1	716.0	788.4	961.7	925.7	902.1	894.1	858.9	834.9	952.5	1,246.1
Oil Revenue	417.3	479.5	516.9	472.4	410.2	336.6	387.7	484.8	467.6	577.3	489.1	497.3	556.8	798.8
Non-oil Revenue	356.1	320.8	312.9	290.7	305.8	451.8	574.0	440.9	434.5	316.8	369.8	337.6	395.7	447.2

Oil receipts, at \$\frac{1}{4}\$556.82 billion or 58.5 per cent of total revenue, was below both the monthly budget of \$\frac{1}{2}798.83 billion by 30.3 per cent. It was, however, higher than the 4497.26 billion received in December 2019 by 12.0 per cent. The decrease in oil revenue, relative to the monthly budget estimate, was attributed to shut-ins and shut-downs at some NNPC terminals, due to pipeline leakages and maintenance activities (Figure 7, Table 6).

At ₩556.82 billion, oil receipts (gross) was below the monthly budget by 30.3 per cent, and constituted 58.5 per cent of the total revenue

⁵ Data on government (general, Federal and state) revenue and expenditure are provisional and subject to changes

Figure 7: Gross Oil Revenue and its Components

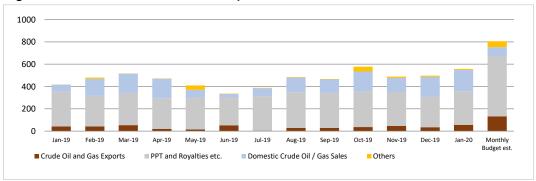


Table 6: Components of Gross Oil Revenue (# billion)*

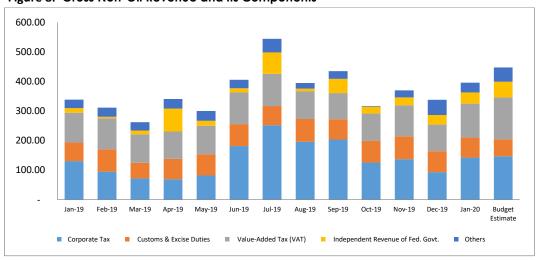
	Jan-19	Feb-19	Mar-19	Apr-19	May-19	Jun-19	Jul-19	Aug-19	Sep-19	Oct-19	Nov-19	Dec-19	Jan-20	Monthly Budget
Oil Revenue	417.3	479.5	516.9	472.4	410.2	336.6	387.7	484.8	467.6	577.3	489.1	497.3	556.8	798.8
Crude Oil and Gas Exports	41.8	41.5	53.8	20.8	14.7	51.4	0.0	28.4	28.8	35.9	46.8	34.6	57.1	132.5
PPT and Royalties etc.	310.5	275.5	288.0	274.5	286.0	250.2	312.1	321.4	314.1	319.9	304.0	272.8	301.4	541.6
Domestic Crude Oil / Gas Sales	63.8	153.0	173.6	174.9	70.3	32.4	73.2	130.5	120.5	179.1	127.1	179.6	189.3	78.7
Others1/	1.2	9.5	1.5	2.1	39.1	2.6	2.4	4.4	4.2	42.3	11.3	10.3	9.0	52.8

1/includes education tax, customs special levies, (Federation and non-Federation) & National information Technology Development Fund (NITF), Solid Minerals and other mining revenue.

Source: Federal Ministry of Finance

At \(\pm395.67\) billion or 41.5 per cent of total revenue, non-oil receipt was below the monthly budget of \(\pm447.24\) billion by 11.5 per cent. It, however, exceeded the preceding month's earning of \(\pm337.61\) billion by 17.2 per cent. The drop in collection, relative to the monthly budget, was due to the decline in revenue from VAT, Education Tax and Federal Government Independent Revenue (Figure 8, Table 7).

Figure 8: Gross Non-Oil Revenue and its Components



At N395.67 billion, non-oil receipts (gross) was lower than the monthly budget by 11.5 per cent and constituted 41.5 per cent of total revenue.

^{*} Figures are provisional

Table 7: Components of Gross Non-Oil Revenue (A billion)*

	Jan-19	Feb-19	Mar-19	Apr-19	May-19	Jun-19	Jul-19	Aug-19	Sep-19	Oct-19	Nov-19	Dec-19	Jan-20	Monthly Bud. Est
Non-Oil Revenue	356.1	320.8	312.9	290.7	305.8	451.8	574.0	440.9	434.5	316.8	369.8	337.6	395.7	447.2
Corporate Tax	130.5	94.5	72.2	69.3	81.9	181.4	251.8	196.3	203.4	125.6	137.2	93.2	142.2	146.8
Customs & Excise Duties	62.8	76.1	52.1	68.9	71.8	74.3	65.1	76.7	69.0	72.9	77.2	70.6	67.9	57.4
Value-Added Tax (VAT)	100.8	104.5	96.4	92.2	96.5	106.8	108.6	94.2	88.1	92.9	104.9	90.2	114.8	142.0
Independent Revenue of Fed. Govt.	33.4	15.1	64.3	27.9	22.6	60.5	102.2	54.6	48.3	23.1	26.9	32.4	37.6	52.6
Others 1/	28.7	30.6	27.8	32.5	33.1	28.8	46.4	19.2	25.8	2.3	23.6	51.3	33.2	48.4

Account Levies (Port, Sugar, ETLS, Steel, CISS & Cement Levies)

Of the net sum of 4746.26 billion retained in the Federation Account, the sums of #110.21 billion, #37.61 billion, and #33.18 billion were transferred to the VAT Pool Account, Federal Government Independent Revenue, and "Others", respectively, leaving a net balance of 4565.26 billion for distribution to the three tiers of government and 13% Derivation Fund.

Of this amount, the Federal Government received #271.36 billion, while the state and local governments received \$\,\text{\pm}137.64\text{ billion}\$ and \$\,\text{\pm}106.11\text{ billion}\$, respectively. The balance of 450.15 billion was shared among the oilproducing states, as 13 per cent Derivation Fund.

From the \$\frac{1}{2}\$106.77 billion transferred to the VAT Pool Account, the Federal Government received 416.02 billion, while the state and local

In addition, the sum of \(\pm\)1.18 billion was distributed in the month as Exchange Gain, with the Federal, state and local governments receiving ₦0.55 billion, ₦0.28 billion and ₦0.22 billion, respectively, while the 13% Derivation Fund received \(\frac{40}{10}\).13 billion.

Overall, the total allocation to the three tiers of government from the Federation Account and VAT Pool Account in January 2020, amounted to ¥673.21 billion. This was below the monthly budget estimate of ¥1,090.67 billion by 38.3 per cent. It, however, exceeded the preceding month's allocation of 4619.55 billion by 8.7 per cent.

3.2 The Fiscal Operations of the Three Tiers of Government At \$\ 325.54 \text{ billion,}

3.2.1 The Federal Government

At \(\prec{4}\)325.54 billion, the estimated Federal Government retained revenue for the month of January 2020 was below the monthly budget of \$\frac{1}{2}\$705.44 billion by 53.9 per cent. A breakdown showed that Federation Account and VAT were 83.4 and 4.9 per cent of the total retained revenue, respectively, while FGN Independent Revenue and Exchange Gain

the estimated Federal Government retained revenue was below the monthly budget by 53.9 per cent.

accounted for 11.6 per cent and 0.2 per cent, respectively (Figure 9, Table 8).

Figure 9: Federal Government Retained Revenue

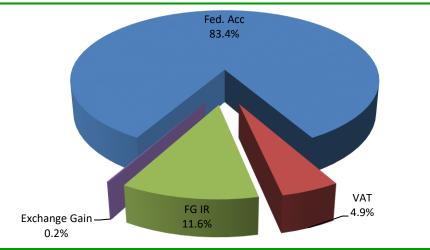


Table 8: Federal Government Fiscal Operations (N billion)*

														Monthly
	Jan-19	Feb-19	Mar-19	Apr-19	May-19	Jun-19	Jul-19	Aug-19	Sep-19	Oct-19	Nov-19	Dec-19	Jan-20	Budget
														Est
Retained Revenue	361.0	327.7	443.2	336.2	285.4	356.7	430.7	413.2	668.6	316.9	322.6	300.3	325.5	705.4
Federation Account	255.2	232.8	221.0	208.4	239.7	268.2	293.3	285.8	287.7	280.0	276.1	230.2	271.4	445.1
VAT Pool Account	14.5	15.0	13.9	13.3	13.9	15.4	15.6	13.6	12.7	13.4	15.1	13.0	16.0	20.5
FGN Independent Revenue	33.4	15.1	64.3	27.9	22.6	60.5	102.2	54.6	48.3	23.1	26.9	32.4	37.6	52.6
Excess oil revenue	0.0	0.0	0.0	35.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	7.6
Excess non-oil revenue	0.0	4.3	2.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.9	0.0	4.0	0.0	4.0	0.0
Exchange Gain/Others	57.9	60.5	141.9	50.9	9.3	12.6	19.6	59.2	318.5	0.4	0.5	24.7	0.6	179.6
Expenditure	852.7	1111.1	548.8	1025.8	523.4	840.1	542.3	695.7	949.6	776.9	540.7	757.1	587.0	865.3
Recurrent	682.2	872.9	387.5	709.1	266.4	630.3	402.6	630.9	731.9	472.1	479.5	562.5	510.8	613.7
Capital	132.3	200.0	122.9	278.3	218.6	171.4	101.3	26.4	177.8	265.0	22.2	155.0	36.9	209.8
Transfers Overall Balance:	38.2	38.2	38.4	38.4	38.4	38.4	38.4	38.4	39.9	39.8	38.9	39.6	39.4	41.8
Surplus(+)/Deficit(-)	-491.8	-783.4	-105.5	-689.6	-238.0	-483.4	-111.6	-282.6	-281.0	-460.0	-218.1	-456.8	-218.1	-159.9

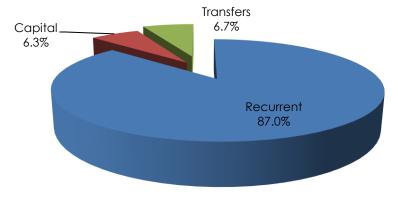
Source: Fiscal Liquidity Assessment Committee (FLAC), Ministry of Finance & the Office of the Accountant General of the Federation

*Figures are provisiona

The fiscal operations of the FG resulted in an estimated deficits of \$\frac{1}{2}\text{61.51 billion}, relative to the estimated monthly budget deficits of \$\frac{1}{2}\text{159.87 billion}.

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Figure 10: Federal Government Expenditure



Consequently, the fiscal operations of the Federal Government resulted in an estimated deficit of ± 261.51 billion, compared with the monthly budget deficit of ± 159.87 billion.

3.2.2 Statutory Allocations to State Governments

Total estimated statutory allocations to the State Governments, in the month of January 2020, amounted to \$\frac{1.58}{241.58}\$ billion. This was lower than the monthly budget of \$\frac{1.59}{252}\$ billion by 38.5 per cent, but was higher than the preceding month's receipt of \$\frac{1.59}{221.69}\$ billion by 9.0 per cent.

The Federation Account allocation, at \(\pm\)188.20 billion or 77.9 per cent of the total estimated statutory allocation, was below the monthly budget of \(\pm\)324.37 billion by 42.0 per cent. Similarly, the allocation from the VAT Pool Account, at \(\pm\)53.38 billion or 22.1 per cent of the total, fell below the monthly budget of \(\pm\)68.26 billion by 21.8 per cent.

3.2.3 Statutory Allocations to Local Government Councils

Allocation to Local Governments from the Federation and VAT Pool Accounts for the month of January 2020 stood at ¥143.70 billion. This was lower than the monthly budget of ¥224.82 billion by 36.1 per cent. It, however, exceeded the preceding month's receipt of ¥129.97 billion by 10.6 per cent.

Allocation from the Federation Account, at \(\pm\)106.33 billion or 74.0 per cent of the total, was below the monthly budget of \(\pm\)177.04 billion by 39.9 per cent. Similarly, the share from the VAT Pool Account, at \(\pm\)37.37 billion or 26.0 per cent of the total, fell below the monthly budget of \(\pm\)47.78 billion by 21.8 per cent (Table 9).

Table 9: Statutory Allocation to State Governments and Local Government Councils (\upmu Billion)*

	Jan-19	Feb-19	Mar-19	Apr-19	May-19	Jun-19	Jul-19	Aug-19	Sep-19	Oct-19	Nov-19	Dec-19	Jan-20	Monthly Budget Est
SG Federation Account	175.3	162.4	174.6	173.8	168.1	176.8	187.7	188.1	190.2	193.8	191.5	178.4	188.2	324.3
SG VAT	48.4	50.1	46.3	44.2	46.3	51.3	52.1	45.2	42.3	44.6	50.4	43.3	53.4	68.3
SG Total	223.7	212.5	220.9	218.1	214.4	228.0	239.9	233.3	232.4	238.3	241.9	221.7	241.6	392.6
LG Federation Account	100.0	92.8	95.3	95.6	93.9	105.1	114.9	111.9	113.1	109.7	109.7	99.7	106.3	177.0
LG VAT	33.9	35.1	32.4	31.0	32.4	35.9	36.5	31.6	29.6	31.2	35.2	30.3	37.4	47.8
LG Total	133.8	127.9	127.7	126.6	126.3	141.0	151.4	143.6	142.7	140.9	145.0	130.0	143.7	224.8
Total Statutory Revenue and VAT	357.5	340.5	348.6	344.7	340.7	369.0	391.2	376.9	375.1	379.2	386.8	351.7	385.3	617.4

Source: Fiscal Liquidity Assessment Committee (FLAC), Ministry of Finance & the Office of the Accountant General of the Federation
*Figures are provisional

4.0 Domestic Economic Conditions

The predominant agricultural activities in January 2020 were harvesting of tree crops and fruits, clearing of land for the rainy season and the cultivation of irrigated lands across the country. In the livestock sub-sector, farmers intensified their activities in the raising of broilers and layers to replenish depleted stock, following the yuletide period. The end-period headline inflation, on year-on-year and twelve month moving average bases, was 12.13 per cent and 11.46 per cent, respectively, in January 2020.

4.1 Agricultural Sector

Dry season had set in for most parts of the country in the review period. The predominant agricultural activities in January 2020 were harvesting of tree crops and fruits, clearing of land for the rainy season and the cultivation of irrigated lands. In the livestock sub-sector, farmers intensified their activities in the raising of broilers and layers to replenish depleted stock, following the yuletide period.

4.2 Agricultural Credit Guarantee Scheme

The Agricultural Credit Guarantee Scheme (ACGS) guaranteed a total of \$\frac{1}{2}05.1\$ million to 1,038 farmers in January 2020. The amount represented a decrease of 47.8 per cent and 52.0 per cent below the levels in the preceding month and the corresponding period of 2018, respectively. Subsectoral analysis showed that food crops obtained the largest share of \$\frac{1}{2}106.7\$ million (52.1 per cent) guaranteed to 644 beneficiaries, followed by livestock sub-sector, \$\frac{1}{2}5.0\$ million (26.8 per cent) guaranteed to 211 beneficiaries; and cash crops, \$\frac{1}{2}0.8\$ million (10.2 per cent) guaranteed to 94 beneficiaries. Fisheries, 'Others' and mixed crops obtained \$\frac{1}{2}14.4\$ million (7.0 per cent), \$\frac{1}{2}6.7\$ million (3.3 per cent) and \$\frac{1}{2}1.5\$ million (0.7 per cent) guaranteed to 44, 38 and 7 beneficiaries, respectively.

Analysis by state showed that 23 states benefited from the Scheme in January 2019, with the highest and lowest sums of \bowtie 33.2 million (16.2 per cent) and \bowtie 0.8 million (0.4 per cent) guaranteed to Oyo and Cross River states, respectively.

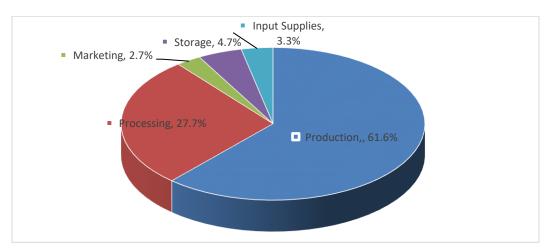
4.3 Commercial Agriculture Credit Scheme

In January 2020, no disbursement was made to any of the lending banks from the Commercial Agriculture Credit Scheme (CACS) repayment account for any project. The total sum released to the economy, under the Scheme from inception in 2009 to date, stood at \$\text{\text{\text{4}}}622.99\$ billion, in respect of 600 projects. In January 2020, 63 projects repaid the sum of \$\text{\text{\text{\text{4}}}6.25}\$ billion, as steady repayments only. The repayments brought the cumulative repayment under CACS from inception in 2009 to \$\text{

Analysis of the number of projects financed under the CACS by value

chain indicated that, of the 600 CACS sponsored projects, production accounted for 61.6 per cent and dominated the activities funded, while processing accounted for 27.7 per cent. These were followed by storage, input supplies and marketing, which accounted for 4.7 per cent, 3.3 per cent and 2.7 per cent, respectively (Figure 11).

Figure 11: Analysis of CACS Financed Projects by Category in January 2020



Source: Development Finance Department (DFD)

4.4 Petroleum Sector

Nigeria's crude oil production, including condensates and natural gas liquids, was estimated at 1.82 mbd or 56.4 mb in the review month. This represented a marginal decline of 0.01 mbd or 0.6 per cent, below the 1.83 mbd produced in the preceding month. Crude oil export was estimated at 1.37 mbd or 42.5 mb for January 2020, representing a decrease of 0.7 per cent, compared with 1.38 mbd or 42.8 mb recorded in the preceding month. The allocation of crude oil for domestic consumption was 0.45 mbd or 13.95 mb in the review month.

The average prices of Nigeria's reference crude, the Bonny Light and all other competing crudes, fell in the review month.

Domestic crude oil and natural

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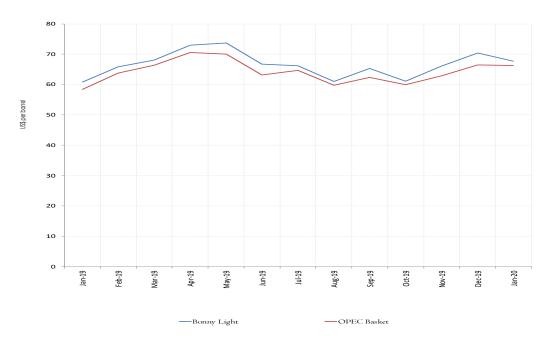
was estimated at

1.82 million barrels

The average spot price of Nigeria's reference crude oil, the Bonny Light (37° API) at end-January 2020, was US\$67.73/b, compared with US\$70.39/b recorded in December 2019. This represented a decline of 3.8 per cent, relative to the level in the preceding month. The fall in crude oil price was due, largely, to the continued increase in crude oil supply in the international market from the U.S and other non-OPEC member states, as well as the diffused tension between Iran and the USA. Worries that the newly identified respiratory coronavirus (COVID-19) infection from China might continue to spread, impacting negatively on travels, fuel demand and economic prospects, which contributed to push oil prices in the review period. The UK Brent, at US\$65.51/b, the Forcados, at US\$67.87/b, and the WTI, at US\$59.73/b, exhibited similar trend, as the Bonny Light. The average OPEC basket of fourteen selected crude streams was US\$66.28/b in January 2020. This reflected a decrease of 0.2 per cent below the level

recorded in the preceding month. It, however, showed an increase of 13.4 per cent, compared with US\$58.43/b in the corresponding period of 2019 (Figure 12, Table 10).

Figure 12: Trends in Crude Oil Prices



Source: Reuters

Table 10: Average Crude Oil Prices in the International Oil Market (US\$ per barrel)



Source: Reuters

4.5 Consumer Prices

The all-items composite Consumer Price Index (CPI) at end-January 2020, was 310.10 (November 2009=100), indicating 0.9 per cent and 12.1 per cent increase over the respective levels in the preceding month and the corresponding period of 2019.

The composite food index (with a weight of 50.7 per cent in the inflation basket) was 343.13 in January 2020, compared with the 339.90 and 298.8 recorded in the preceding month and the corresponding period of 2019, respectively. This represented an increase of 1.0 per cent and 14.8 per cent, over the levels in the respective comparable periods. The rise in prices of food items was due, largely, to an increase in all the components

The general price level rose in January 2020, compared with the level in the preceding month.

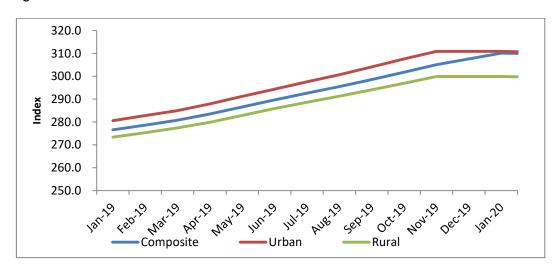
in the CPI basket, particularly transport on account of seasonal movement associated with the yuletide period. (Figure 13, Table 11).

Table 11: Consumer Price Index (November 2009=100)⁶

	Jan-19	Feb-19	Mar-19	Apr-19	May-19	Jun-19	Jul-19	Aug-19	Sep-19	Oct-19	Nov-19	Dec-19	Jan-20
Composite	276.6	278.8	280.8	283.5	286.6	289.7	292.6	295.5	298.6	301.8	305.1	307.5	310.1
Urban	280.6	282.8	285.0	287.9	291.2	294.4	297.6	300.7	304.1	307.6	310.9	307.6	310.9
Rural	273.4	275.3	277.4	279.9	282.9	285.9	288.6	291.3	294.1	297.0	299.9	297.0	299.9
CPI - Food	298.8	301.3	303.9	307.4	311.7	316.0	319.9	323.9	328.1	332.4	336.6	339.9	343.1
CPI - Non Food	258.8	260.4	261.8	263.7	265.6	267.9	270.0	271.8	274.2	276.2	278.4	280.6	282.5

Source: NBS

Figure 13: Consumer Price Index



Source: NBS

The year-onyear headline inflation was 12.13 per cent in January 2020. The headline inflation, on year-on-year, was 12.13 per cent in January 2020, compared with the preceding month's level of 11.98 per cent and 11.37 per cent in the corresponding month of 2019, respectively. The Twelve-Month Moving Average (12MMA) inflation for January 2020 was 11.46 per cent, compared with 11.40 per cent and 11.80 per cent in the preceding month and the corresponding period of 2019, respectively (Figure 14, Table 12).

⁶ December 2019 figures on CPI and its components are actual.

Table 12: Headline Inflation Rate (%)

Aug-19	Sep-19	Oct-19	Nov-19	Dec-19	Jan-20
11.27	11.26	11.30	11.35	11.40	11.46
11.02	11.24	11.61	11.85	11.98	12.13

Source: NBS

Figure 14: Inflation Rate



Source: NBS

5.0 External Sector Developments7

On month-on-month basis, foreign exchange inflow and outflow through CBN decline by 0.3 per cent and 4.1 per cent to US\$4.98 billion and US\$5.53 billion, respectively, in January 2020. This resulted in a net outflow of US\$0.55 billion in January 2020. Total non-oil export receipts by banks rose by 7.1 per cent above the level in December 2019. The average exchange rate at the inter-bank, the BDC segment, and the I&E window were \(\frac{1}{2}\)306.95/US\$, \(\frac{1}{2}\)361.35/US\$ and \(\frac{1}{2}\)363.13/US\$, respectively, in the review month. The gross external reserves was US\$36.73 billion at end-January 2019.

5.1 Foreign Exchange Flows

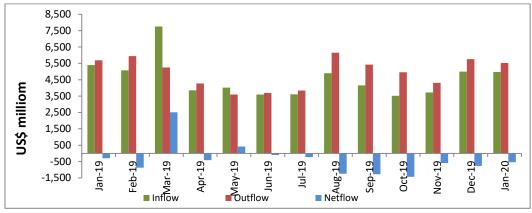
The external sector performance declined in the review month, due to decrease in the international price of crude oil by 3.8 per cent to US\$67.75 per barrel. Consequently, aggregate foreign exchange inflow into the CBN, at US\$4.98 billion, fell by 0.3 per cent and 7.8 per cent below the levels in the preceding month and the corresponding period of 2019, respectively. The decline in aggregate foreign exchange inflow, into the CBN, relative to the preceding month's level, was attributed, largely, to the fall in non-oil receipts.

Aggregate outflow of foreign exchange from CBN fell by 4.1 per cent and 2.9 per cent to US\$5.53 billion, below the levels at the end of the preceding month and the corresponding period of 2019, respectively. The development, relative to the preceding month's level, was attributed, mainly, to 9.8 per cent decline in interbank utilisation.

Overall, foreign exchange flows, through the Bank at end-January 2020, resulted in a net outflow of US\$0.55 billion, compared with a net outflow of outflow of US\$0.76 billion and US\$0.29 billion in the preceding month and corresponding period of 2019, respectively, (Figure 15, Table 13).

⁷ January 2020 data on foreign exchange flows through the CBN and the economy are provisional and subject to change.

Figure 15: Foreign Exchange Flows through the CBN



Source: CBN

Table 13: Foreign Exchange Flows through the CBN (US\$ million)



Source: CBN

Aggregate foreign exchange inflow into the economy amounted to US\$17.10 billion, showing a decrease of 5.2 per cent below the level at the end of the preceding month. It, however, showed an increase of 57.8 per cent relative to the level at the end of the corresponding period of 2019. The decrease was as a result of 0.3 per cent and 7.0 per cent decline in inflow through the Bank and autonomous sources, respectively.

Aggregate foreign exchange outflow from the economy, at US\$5.92 billion, fell by 2.1 per cent below the level at the end of the preceding month. It, however, showed an increase of 0.3 per cent relative to the level at the end of the corresponding period of 2019. The development was attributed, mainly, to the 4.1 per cent decline in outflow through the Bank.

Autonomous inflow through the economy fell by 7.0 per cent below the level in the preceding month.

Inflow through autonomous sources fell by 7.0 per cent to US\$12.12 billion in January 2020, below the level at end-December 2019. Outflow from autonomous sources, on month-on-month basis, rose by 38.2 per cent to US\$0.39 billion, reflecting an increase in invisible imports.

Accordingly, foreign exchange flows through the economy, resulted in a net inflow of US\$11.18 billion in the review period, compared with US\$11.99

billion and US\$4.93 billion at end-December 2019 and end-January 2019, respectively.

5.2 Non-Oil Export Earnings by Exporters⁸

Total non-oil export earnings, at US\$370.09 million, indicated increase of 7.1 per cent and 8.7 per cent, relative to the levels in preceding month and the corresponding period of 2019, respectively. The rise in earnings from non-oil exports, in January 2020, was due to 94.2 per cent, 56.3 per cent, 49.7 per cent, and 14.5 percent increase in receipts from mineral sector, manufacturing, agriculture, and food products to US\$ 1.28 million, US\$32.19 million, US\$101.99 million and US\$9.31 million, respectively.

Total non-oil export earnings by exporters increased in January 2020

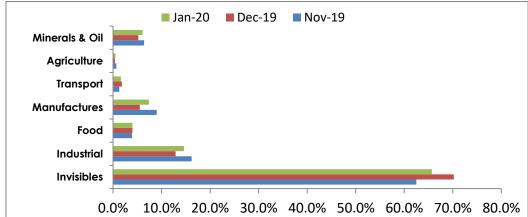
The shares of the various sectors in non-oil export proceeds were: industrial sector, 60.9 per cent; agricultural products, 27.6 per cent; manufactured products, 8.7 per cent; food products, 2.5 per cent; and minerals, 0.3 per.

5.3 Sectoral Utilisation of Foreign Exchange

Aggregate sectoral utilisation of foreign exchange fell by 11.3 per cent to US\$3.92 billion in January 2020, compared with the US\$4.42 billion in the preceding month. The invisible sector accounted for the bulk (65.7 per cent) of total foreign exchange disbursed in the review month, followed by the components of the visible sub-sector listed in descending order as follows: industrial sector, 14.6 per cent; manufactured products, 7.4 per cent; minerals and oil, 6.1 per cent; food products, 4.0 per cent; transport, 1.6 per cent; and agricultural products, 0.5 per cent (Figure 16).

The invisible sector accounted for the bulk of the total foreign exchange disbursed in January 2020.

Figure 16: Sectoral Utilisation of Foreign Exchange



Source: CBN

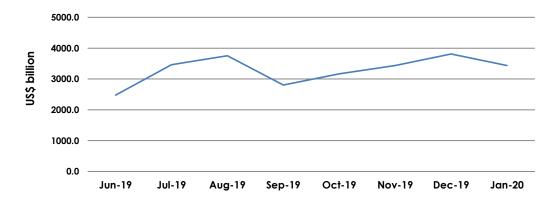
⁸ Data on non-oil export earnings and sectoral utilisation of foreign exchange are provisional.

5.4 Foreign Exchange Market Developments

The Bank continued to intervene in the foreign exchange market to further sustain improved liquidity and relative stability in the market. Thus, a cumulative sum of US\$3.44 billion was sold by the Bank to authorised dealers in January 2020, compared with US\$3.81 billion supplied in December 2019. This indicated a decline of 9.8 per cent and 3.5 per cent relative to the levels in the preceding month and the end of the corresponding period of 2019, respectively.

Interbank sales rose by 8.2 per cent to US\$0.10 billion, compared with the increase of 7.8 per cent in the preceding month. BDC sales, also, rose by 0.7 per cent to US\$1.12 billion, above the preceding month's level of US\$1.11 billion. However, swaps transactions, fell by 39.6 per cent to US\$0.41 billion, below the preceding month's level of US\$0.68 billion, (Figure 17, Table 14).

Figure 17: Supply of Foreign Exchange



Source: CBN

Table 14: Supply of Foreign Exchange (US\$ billion)

	Jun-19	Jul-19	Aug-19	Sep-19	Oct-19	Nov-19	Dec-19	Jan-20
Total Forex Supply	2.48	3,46	3.75	2,80	3,17	3.44	3.81	3.44

Source: CBN

The naira vis-à-vis the US dollar exchange rate remain unchanged at the inter-bank segment, while appreciated at the I&E window during the review month.

The average exchange rate of the naira to the US-dollar, at the Inter-bank segment, was \(\frac{\text{

At the "Investors" and "Exporters" (I&E) window, the average exchange rate of the naira vis-à-vis the US dollar, at \(\pm363.13\)/US\(\pm\$, appreciated by 0.12 per cent and 0.18 per cent above the levels in the preceding month and the corresponding period of 2019 (Figure 18, Table 15).

Consequently, the premium between the exchange rates at the Interbank and BDC segments widened by 0.36 percentage point to 17.72 per cent, compared with 17.36 per cent in December 2019. The premium between the BDC and I&E rates, also, narrowed by 0.43 percentage point, compared with the preceding month's level.

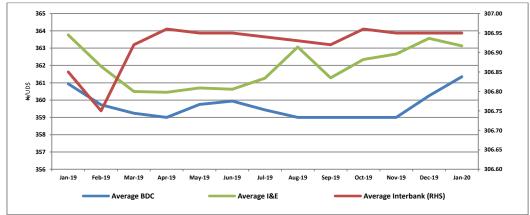


Figure 18: Average Exchange Rate Movement

Source: CBN

Table 15: Monthly Average Exchange Rate Movements (\(\frac{\mathbf{H}}{2}\))

	Jan-19	Feb-19	Mar-19	Apr-19	May-19	Jun-19	Jul-19	Aug-19	Sep-19	Oct-19	Nov-19	Dec-19	Jan-20
Interbank	306.85	306.75	306.92	306.96	306.95	306.95	306.94	306.93	306.92	306.96	306.95	306.95	306.95
BOC	360.94	359.73	359,24	359.00	359.75	359,94	359.43	359.00	359.00	359.00	359.00	360.25	361.35
I&E Window	363.76	361.95	360.50	360.45	360.70	360.63	361.26	363.07	362,28	362.35	362.66	363.57	363.13

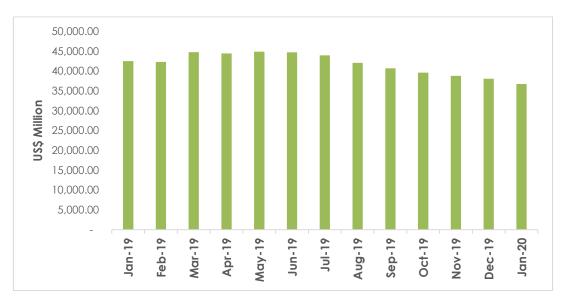
Source: CBN

5.5 Gross External Reserves

The gross external reserves stood at US\$36.73 billion at end-January 2020, indicating, a decline of 3.6 per cent, below the US\$38.09 billion recorded at end-December 2019. The decline was due, mainly, to foreign exchange market interventions and direct payments. The external reserves position could finance 4.0 months of imports of goods and services, or 6.4 months of goods only, using the import figure for fourth quarter 2019. A breakdown of the external reserves by ownership showed that the share of the Federation reserves was US\$0.33 billion (0.9%); Federal Government,

Gross external reserves fell from US\$38.09 billion in December 2019 to US\$36.73 billion at endUS\$5.64 billion (15.4%); and the CBN, US\$30.77 billion (83.7%) (Figure 19, Table 16).

Figure 19: Gross Official External Reserves



Source: CBN

Table 16: Gross Official External Reserves (US\$ million)



Source: CBN

Other International Economic Developments and 6.0 **Meetings**

World crude oil output and demand in January 2020 were estimated at an average of 101.34 mbd and 99.67 mbd, respectively, compared with 101.64 mbd and 102.0 mbd in December 2019. The 2.3 per cent decline in global crude oil demand was driven, largely, by the slowdown of industrial activities, especially in China (the world's largest crude oil importer) due to the outbreak and spread of the coronavirus.9

Other major international economic developments and meetings of importance to the domestic economy in the review period included: The Extra-ordinary Meeting of the Ministers for Finance and the Committee of Governors of the Central Banks of the West African Monetary Zone (WAMZ) Member States, also referred to as the Convergence Council, held at the CBN Head Office Abuja, Nigeria, on January 16, 2020. The Meeting discussed the declaration made by the Chairman of the Authority of Heads of State of the West African Economic and Monetary Union (WAEMU) to change the name of CFA franc to the ECO, on December 21, 2019. After deliberations, participants:

- Reaffirmed their commitment to the decisions of the ECOWAS Authority of Heads of State and Government, relating to the ECOWAS Monetary Cooperation Programme, the revised roadmap, and the Single-Track Approach to the ECOWAS Single Currency Programme 2020:
- Welcomed the achievements under the revised roadmap, including, the adoption of flexible exchange rate, monetary policy framework based on inflation targeting, federal model of common central bank, name of the common central bank, name and symbol of the common currency;
- Acknowledged the policy reform measures taken by WAEMU, including, the change in gross external reserves management, as a major first step toward delinking the CFA franc from the euro, and urge the WAEMU to implement outstanding programme areas of the revised roadmap of the single currency programme and revert to the Single-Track Approach in line with the ECOWAS Authority decision;
- Expressed reservations about the action of the WAEMU and the inaction of the ECOWAS Commission in connection with the unjustifiable and unilateral renaming of the CFA franc to Eco on one

⁹ Source: Reuters, OPEC Monthly report, EIA Report

- hand, and the adoption of fixed exchange rate regime on the other, which are not in line with the ECOWAS Authority decision; and
- Underscored the importance of the need for a tripartite consultative meeting between the Authorities of the ECOWAS Commission, the WAEMU Commission, and the WAMZ with a view to clarifying and resolving issues and to avoid jeopardising the achievement of the shared goal of introducing a single currency in West Africa, guided by a single roadmap adopted by the ECOWAS Authority.

APPENDIX TABLES

Table A 1: Money and Credit Aggregates (₦ billion)

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	Aug-19	Sep-19	Oct-19	Nov-19	Dec-19
Domestic Claims	34,141,050.2	35,618,558.5	34,706,349.1	34,985,076.4	36,182,587.0
Claims on Central Government (Net)	8,963,076.4	9,920,311.3	8,684,557.4	8,470,848.9	9,482,792.1
Cliams on Central Government	15,544,186.6	16,327,917.7	15,557,267.4	16,061,491.5	16,547,529.0
Liabilities to Central Government	(6,581,110.2)	(6,407,606.4)	(6,872,710.0)	(7,590,642.6)	(7,064,736.9)
Claims on Other Sectors	25,177,973.9	25,698,247.2	26,021,791.7	26,514,227.5	26,699,794.9
Claims on Other Finacial Corporations	8,420,360.3	8,593,590.0	8,575,662.7	8,474,819.7	8,439,845.8
Claims on States and Local Government	1,625,463.8	1,755,607.3	1,739,394.2	1,802,959.8	1,869,680.6
Claims of Public Non-Finacial Corporatio	828,655.3	903,642.4	1,060,559.0	1,113,812.6	1,140,522.4
Claims on Private Sectors	14,303,494.5	14,445,407.6	14,646,175.9	15,122,635.4	15,249,746.1
Total Monetary Assets (M3)	34,621,948.5	34,194,489.3	34,944,206.1	35,865,036.3	34,752,619.6
Currency Outside Depository Corp.	1,653,260.7	1,625,047.7	1,703,969.4	1,799,066.7	2,023,060.9
Transferable Deposits	8,050,601.6	8,038,717.2	8,305,472.7	8,282,282.2	8,507,260.4
Other Deposits	17,266,410.1	17,162,506.2	17,300,843.4	17,713,796.2	18,229,016.0
Securities other than shares	7,651,676.0	7,368,218.3	7,633,920.6	8,069,891.2	5,993,282.3
Deposits Excl from Broad Money	151,418.2	140,797.8	135,661.4	115,069.3	120,341.3
Securities other than shares exl Brod mon	150,916.4	151,331.7	151,099.3	150,373.6	150,339.6
Loans	858,122.4	853,033.9	812,751.9	1,348,322.0	1,024,397.6
Financial Derivatives	21,302.3	99,727.5	103,768.5	21,037.6	23,957.8
Insurance Technicial Reserve	-	-	-	-	
Shares and Other Equities	3,301,564.1	3,163,505.1	3,276,042.3	3,518,203.9	4,071,958.2
Foreign Assets (Net)	6,819,841.6	5,401,064.4	6,944,924.7	7,836,534.0	5,806,319.2
Other Items (Net)	1,855,620.1	2,416,737.5	2,227,744.4	1,803,567.7	1,845,292.0
Total Monetary Assets (M ₃)	34,621,948.5	34,194,489.3	34,944,206.1	35,865,036.3	34,752,619.6
Money Supply (M1)	9,703,862.3	9,663,764.9	10,009,442.1	10,081,348.9	10,530,321.3
Money Supply (M2)	26970272.41	26826271.07	27310285.55	27795145.1	28759337.33
<u>Memorandum Items:</u>					
Reserve Money (RM)	6,977,949.8	7,000,365.8	7,449,364.9	7,353,476.7	8,669,829.6
Currency in Circulation (CIC)	2,018,840.4	2,005,600.8	2,057,275.4	2,203,274.2	2,442,985.6
Liabilities to Other Depository Corporat	4,959,109.4	4,994,764.9	5,392,089.5	5,150,202.5	6,226,843.9

Table A2: Money and Credit Aggregates (Growth Rates)

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	May-19	Jun-19	Jul-19	Aug-19	Sep-19	Oct-19	Nov-19	Dec-19					
			Growth Ove	er Precedin	g December	(%)							
Domestic Claims	13.0	12.8	19.3	20.1	25.3	22.1	23.1	27.3					
Claims on Central Government (Net)	36.8	55.7	78.9	82.4	101.9	76.7	72.4	93.0					
Claims on Other Sectors	8.1	3.8	6.8	7.1	9.4	10.7	12.8	13.6					
Claims on Other Financial Corporatins	19.5	7.4	8.4	8.0	10.2	10.0	8.7	8.3					
Claims on State and Local Government	0.4	1.1	-1.8	-6.9	0.5	-0.4	3.3	7.1					
Claims on Public Non-Financial Corporations	3.4	1.0	9.5	8.3	18.0	38.5	45.5	49.0					
Claims on Private Sector	2.6	2.1	6.8	8.4	9.5	11.0	14.6	15.6					
Foreign Assets (Net)	-8.9	-16.0	-28.6	-42.4	-54.4	-41.4	-33.8	-51.0					
Other Items (Net)	76.2	33.7	4.6	-35.9	-16.5	-23.0	-37.7	-36.2					
Total Monetary Assets (M3)	2.7	4.0	6.9	5.8	4.5	6.8	9.6	6.2					
Currency Outside Depository Corporations	-10.4	-13.2	-15.6	-13.4	-14.8	-10.7	-5.7	6.0					
Transferable Deposits	-6.3	-7.6	-3.2	-5.2	-5.3	-2.2	-2.4	0.2					
Other Deposits	5.2	9.3	10.7	7.7	7.0	7.9	10.5	13.7					
Money Supply (M1)	-7.1	-8.6	-5.5	-6.7	-7.1	-3.7	-3.0	1.3					
Total Monetary Liabilities (M2)	0.4	2.3	4.4	2.0	1.5	3.3	5.2	8.8					
Total Monetary Assets (M3)	2.7	4.0	6.9	5.8	4.5	6.8	9.6	6.2					
Memorandum Items:													
Reserve Money (RM)	13.4	0.1	4.2	-2.8	-2.5	3.8	2.4	20.8					
Currency in Circulation (CIC)	-9.4	-13.6	-14.0	-13.3	-13.9	-11.8	-5.4	4.9					
Liabilities to other Depository Corporations	24.6	6.7	12.9	2.2	3.0	11.2	6.2	28.4					
i i i	Growth Over Preceding Month (%)												
Domestic Claims	-2.4	-0.3	5.8	0.7	4.3	-2.6	0.8	3.4					
Claims on Central Government (Net)	-12.1	13.8	14.9	2.0	10.7	-12.5	-2.5	12.0					
Claims on Other Sectors	0.6	-4.0	2.9	0.3	2.1	1.3	1.9	0.7					
Claims on Other Financial Corporatins	0.4	-10.1	0.9	-0.4	2.1	-0.2	-1.2	-0.4					
Claims on State and Local Government	-1.7	0.7	-3.8	-5.3	8.0	-0.9	3.7	3.7					
Claims on Public Non-Financial Corporations	-4.6	-2.5	8.4	-1.1	9.1	17.4	5.0	2.4					
Claims on Private Sector	1.3	-0.5	4.6	1.5	1.0	1.4	3.3	0.8					
Foreign Assets (Net)	-0.2	-3.1	10.3	0.4	-4.0	-11.1	-11.4	5.9					
Other Items (Net)	-2.9	-24.1	-21.8	-38.7	30.2	-7.8	-19.0	2.3					
Total Monetary Assets (M3)	0.8	1.3	2.8	-1.0	-1.2	2.2	2.6	-3.1					
Currency Outside Depository Corporations	-0.8	-3.2	-2.7	2.6	-1.7	4.9	5.6	12.5					
Transferable Deposits	0.5	-1.3	4.8	-2.1	-0.2	3.3	-0.3	2.7					
Other Deposits	2.0	4.0	1.2	-2.7	-0.6	0.8	2.4	2.9					
Money Supply (M1)	0.3	-1.7	3.5	-1.3	-0.4	3.4	0.7	4.5					
Total Monetary Liabilities (M2)	1.4	1.9	2.0	-2.2	-0.5	1.8	1.8	3.5					
Total Monetary Assets (M3)	0.8	1.3	2.8	-1.0	-1.2	2.2	2.6	-3.1					
Memorandum Items:													
Reserve Money (RM)	2.6	-11.9	4.1	-6.7	0.3	6.4	-1.3	17.9					
Currency in Circulation (CIC)	-2.2	-4.6	-0.6	0.8	-0.7	2.6	7.1	10.9					
Liabilities to other Depository Corporations	4.4	-14.4	5.9	-9.4	0.7	8.0	-4.5	20.9					

Table A 3 : Federal Government Fiscal Operations (₦ billion)*

	Jan-19	Feb-19	Mar-19	Apr:19	May-19	Jun-19	Jul-19	Aug:19	Sep-19	Oct:19	Nov-19	Dec-19	Jan-20	Monthly
	***	****			***	444			***	4.44		***	***	Budget Est
Retained Revenue	361.0	327.7	443.2	336.2	285.4	356.7	430.7	<u>413.2</u>	668.6	316.9	322.6	300.3	325.5	705.4
Federation Account	255.2	232.8	221.0	208.4	239.7	268.2	293.3	285.8	287.7	280.0	276.1	230.2	271.4	445.1
VAT Pool Account	14.5	15.0	13.9	13.3	13.9	15.4	15.6	13.6	12.7	13.4	15.1	13.0	16.0	20.5
FGN Independent Revenue	33.4	15.1	64.3	27.9	22.6	60.5	102.2	54.6	48.3	23.1	26.9	32.4	37.6	52.6
Excess oil revenue	0.0	0.0	0.0	35.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0,0	0.0	0.0	0.0	7.6
Excess non-oil revenue	0.0	4.3	2.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.9	0,0	4.0	0.0	4.0	0,0
Exchange Gain/Others	57.9	60.5	141.9	50.9	9,3	12.6	19.6	59.2	318.5	0.4	0.5	24.7	0.6	179.6
Expenditure	852.7	1111.1	548.8	1025.8	523.4	840.1	542.3	695.7	949.6	776.9	540.7	757.1	587.0	865.3
Recurrent	682,2	872.9	387.5	709.1	266.4	630.3	402.6	630.9	731.9	472.1	479.5	562.5	510.8	613.7
Copitol	132.3	200.0	122.9	278.3	218.6	171.4	101.3	26.4	177.8	265.0	22.2	155.0	36.9	209.8
Tronsfers	38,2	38.2	38.4	38.4	38.4	38.4	38.4	38.4	39.9	39.8	38.9	39.6	39,4	41.8
Overall Balance: Surplus(+)/Deficit(-)														
A care and a ser larged . A arrange	-491.8	-783.4	-105.5	-689.6	-230.0	-483,4	-111.6	-282.6	-281.0	-460.0	-218.1	-456.8	-218.1	-159,9

f * January 2020 data on government revenue and expenditure are provisional and subject to revisions.