

Monetary Policy Data

	Jan-19	Dec-18	Jan-18
Foreign Reserves (TOP million)	478.9	478.5	424.1
Months of Imports (trade estimate) ¹	8.1	8.2	7.4 ^r
Months of Imports (Overseas Exchange Transactions estimate) ¹	9.9	10.0	9.9
Inflation (apc)	4.2	4.8	6.4^r
Imported (apc)	0.3	2.9	9.2 ^r
Domestic (apc)	9.1	7.1	2.7 ^r
Activity Indicators			
Total Credit Growth (apc)²	10.4	9.9	14.5^r
Total Outstanding Loan (Ann. Tot \$ m)²	482.8	479.9	437.5
Household (apc) ³	7.9	6.6	12.2 ^r
Business (apc) ³	13.1	13.9	18.2 ^r
Exchange Settlement Accounts (TOP million)	185.3	174.2	164.2
NRBT Notes on issue (TOP million)	0.0	0.0	0.0
Banks' holding of Govt Securities (TOPmillion)	21.4	22.6	21.9
Broad Money (M2, TOP million) ⁴	598.3	605.3	552.5
Overseas Exchange Transactions⁵			
Imports (annual Total, TOP million)	433.1	433.5	396.1
Imports (apc)	9.3	11.5	14.8
Exports (annual total, TOP million)	20.5	20.0	20.7
Exports (apc)	-1.3	-8.9	-8.0 ^r
Travel Receipts (annual total, TOP million)	119.6	118.1	113.7 ^r
Travel Receipts (apc)	5.2	4.1	14.4 ^r
Remittances (annual total, TOP million) ⁶	350.0	350.8	330.2 ^r
Remittances (apc) ⁶	6.0	7.0	11.4 ^r

Financial Markets

	Exchange Rate		
USD/TOP	0.4422	0.4436	0.4590
AUD/TOP	0.6171	0.6154	0.5764
NZD/TOP	0.6520	0.6480	0.6327
FJD/TOP	0.8982	0.8997	0.9040
Nominal Effective Exchange Rate Index⁷	91.42	91.98	90.56
Real Effective Exchange Rate Index⁷	107.41	107.75	102.99^r
Interest Rates			
Weighted Average Lending Rate (%) ⁸	8.09	8.12	7.90 ^r
Housing (%)	8.21	8.22	8.08 ^r
Business (%) ⁸	7.80	7.89	7.38 ^r
Weighted Average Deposit Rate (%) ⁸	1.88	1.90	2.15 ^r
12-month term (%)	4.80	4.81	5.26
Savings (%)	2.56	2.52	2.33
Term (%) ⁸	3.40	3.44	3.54 ^r

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	Feb-19	Jan-19	Feb-18
Foreign Reserves (TOP million)	473.5	478.9	448.0
Months of Imports (trade estimate) ¹	7.9	8.0 ^r	7.9 ^r
Months of Imports (Overseas Exchange Transactions estimate) ¹	9.6	9.9	10.3
Inflation (apc)	3.0*	4.2	3.7^r
Imported (apc)	-1.0*	0.3	8.1 ^r
Domestic (apc)	7.8*	9.1	-1.9 ^r
Activity Indicators			
Total Credit Growth (apc)²	10.1	10.4	14.3
Total Outstanding Loan (Ann. Tot \$ m)²	483.7	482.8	439.5
Household (apc) ³	7.5	7.9	11.3
Business (apc) ³	12.8	13.1	19.2 ^r
Exchange Settlement Accounts (TOP million)	184.3	185.3	159.0
NRBT Notes on issue (TOP million)	0.0	0.0	0.0
Banks' holding of Govt Securities (TOPmillion)	21.4	21.4	21.9
Broad Money (M2, TOP million) ⁴	589.0	598.3	558.2
Overseas Exchange Transactions⁵			
Imports (annual Total, TOP million)	440.8	433.0 ^r	402.8 ^r
Imports (apc)	9.4	9.3	16.8 ^r
Exports (annual total, TOP million)	20.4	20.5	20.4
Exports (apc)	-0.2	-1.3	-8.7 ^r
Travel Receipts (annual total, TOP million)	121.0	119.6	113.8
Travel Receipts (apc)	6.3	5.2	13.4
Remittances (annual total, TOP million) ⁶	350.3	350.4 ^r	334.4 ^r
Remittances (apc) ⁶	4.8	6.1 ^r	12.7 ^r
Financial Markets			
Exchange Rate			
USD/TOP	0.4431	0.4422	0.4603
AUD/TOP	0.6183	0.6171	0.5791
NZD/TOP	0.6474	0.6520	0.6295
FJD/TOP	0.8992	0.8982	0.9056
Nominal Effective Exchange Rate Index⁷	91.49	91.42	90.32
Real Effective Exchange Rate Index⁷	105.80	105.89^r	103.49^r
Interest Rates			
Weighted Average Lending Rate (%) ⁸	8.29	8.09	7.92 ^r
Housing (%)	8.24	8.21	8.10
Business (%) ⁸	7.83	7.80	7.43 ^r
Weighted Average Deposit Rate (%) ⁸	1.90	1.88	2.11 ^r
12-month term (%)	4.87	4.80	5.13
Savings (%)	2.60	2.56	2.35
Term (%) ⁸	3.41	3.40 ^r	3.54 ^r

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*- The Inflation figures are based on NRBT forecast pending February data from Tonga Statistics Department

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	Mar-19	Feb-19	Mar-18
Foreign Reserves (TOP million)	465.0	473.5	447.7
Months of Imports (trade estimate) ¹	7.7	7.9	7.8 ^r
Months of Imports (Overseas Exchange Transactions estimate) ¹	9.4	9.6	10.2
Inflation (apc)	2.0	3.2	5.0
Imported (apc)	-0.5	-1.0	7.4
Domestic (apc)	5.1	8.5	1.7
Activity Indicators			
Total Credit Growth (apc)²	9.3	10.1	13.4
Total Outstanding Loan (Ann. Tot \$ m)²	484.9	483.7	443.6
Household (apc) ³	6.9	7.5	9.9
Business (apc) ³	12.0	12.8	18.9 ^r
Exchange Settlement Accounts (TOP million)	169.9	184.3	171.0
NRBT Notes on issue (TOP million)	0.0	0.0	0.0
Banks' holding of Govt Securities (TOPmillion)	21.4	21.4	21.9
Broad Money (M2, TOP million) ⁴	583.5	589.0	558.7
Overseas Exchange Transactions⁵			
Imports (annual Total, TOP million)	442.9	440.8	399.5 ^r
Imports (apc)	10.9	9.4	12.2
Exports (annual total, TOP million)	20.3	20.4	20.2 ^r
Exports (apc)	0.7	-0.2	-11.0
Travel Receipts (annual total, TOP million)	122.8	121.0	113.3
Travel Receipts (apc)	8.5	6.3	10.3 ^r
Remittances (annual total, TOP million) ⁶	349.5	350.3	338.1 ^r
Remittances (apc) ⁶	3.4	4.8	12.7 ^r

Financial Markets

	Exchange Rate		
USD/TOP	0.4425	0.4431	0.4574
AUD/TOP	0.6231	0.6183	0.5878
NZD/TOP	0.6467	0.6474	0.6303
FJD/TOP	0.8995	0.8992	0.9053
Nominal Effective Exchange Rate Index⁷	91.64	91.49	90.15
Real Effective Exchange Rate Index⁷	106.99	106.31^r	103.40^r
Interest Rates			
Weighted Average Lending Rate (%) ⁸	8.15	8.29	79.4 ^r
Housing (%)	8.24	8.24	8.10
Business (%) ⁸	7.98	7.83	7.45 ^r
Weighted Average Deposit Rate (%) ⁸	1.93	1.90	2.11 ^r
12-month term (%)	4.83	4.87	5.18
Savings (%)	2.59	2.60	2.40
Term (%) ⁸	3.39	3.41	3.54 ^r

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	Apr-19	Mar-19	Apr-18
Foreign Reserves (TOP million)	464.2	465.0	445.9
Months of Imports (trade estimate) ¹	7.8	7.8 ^r	8.0 ^r
Months of Imports (Overseas Exchange Transactions estimate) ¹	9.3	9.4	10.1
Inflation (apc)	0.2	2.0	4.7^r
Imported (apc)	0.3	-0.5	7.3 ^r
Domestic (apc)	-0.1	5.1	1.1 ^r

Activity Indicators

Total Credit Growth (apc)²	8.9	9.3	13.5
Total Outstanding Loan (Ann. Tot \$ m)²	484.3	484.9	444.8
Household (apc) ³	5.7	6.9	9.9
Business (apc) ³	12.5	12.0	19.3 ^r
Exchange Settlement Accounts (TOP million)	168.7	169.9	162.3
NRBT Notes on issue (TOP million)	0.0	0.0	0.0
Banks' holding of Govt Securities (TOPmillion)	21.4	21.4	22.6
Broad Money (M2, TOP million) ⁴	585.9	583.5	547.1
Overseas Exchange Transactions⁵			
Imports (annual Total, TOP million)	444.3	442.9	404.9 ^r
Imports (apc)	9.7	10.9	13.4 ^r
Exports (annual total, TOP million)	20.4	20.3	19.8
Exports (apc)	3.3	0.7	-15.4
Travel Receipts (annual total, TOP million)	124.5	122.8	113.1
Travel Receipts (apc)	10.1	8.5	10.0
Remittances (annual total, TOP million) ⁶	350.8	349.5	340.4 ^r
Remittances (apc) ⁶	3.1	3.4	13.0

Financial Markets

Exchange Rate			
USD/TOP	0.4412	0.4425	0.4562
AUD/TOP	0.6183	0.6231	0.5917
NZD/TOP	0.6544	0.6467	0.6284
FJD/TOP	0.8960	0.8995	0.9052
Nominal Effective Exchange Rate Index⁷	92.02	91.64	90.45
Real Effective Exchange Rate Index⁷	106.67	107.05	105.35
Interest Rates			
Weighted Average Lending Rate (%) ⁸	8.11	8.15	7.96 ^r
Housing (%)	8.26	8.24	8.13
Business (%) ⁸	7.82	7.98	7.45 ^r
Weighted Average Deposit Rate (%) ⁸	1.95	1.93	2.09 ^r
12-month term (%)	5.48	4.83	5.21
Savings (%)	2.58	2.59	2.39
Term (%) ⁸	3.42	3.39	3.51 ^r

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	May-19	Apr-19	May-18
Foreign Reserves (TOP million)	468.3	464.2	441.9
Months of Imports (trade estimate) ¹	7.9	7.8	7.8
Months of Imports (Overseas Exchange Transactions estimate) ¹	9.3	9.3	9.9
Inflation (apc)	1.6	0.2	3.8^r
Imported (apc)	1.7	0.3	7.5 ^r
Domestic (apc)	1.5	-0.1	-1.1 ^r

Activity Indicators

Total Credit Growth (apc)²	8.7	8.9	12.7
Total Outstanding Loan (Ann. Tot \$ m)²	487.3	484.3	448.2
Household (apc) ³	5.4	5.7	8.9
Business (apc) ³	12.4	12.5	18.7 ^r
Exchange Settlement Accounts (TOP million)	172.8	168.7	161.6
NRBT Notes on issue (TOP million)	0.0	0.0	0.0
Banks' holding of Govt Securities (TOPmillion)	21.4	21.4	22.6
Broad Money (M2, TOP million) ⁴	584.8	585.9	561.5
Overseas Exchange Transactions⁵			
Imports (annual Total, TOP million)	444.4	444.3	408.8
Imports (apc)	8.7	9.7	14.7
Exports (annual total, TOP million)	20.3	20.4	19.9
Exports (apc)	1.5	3.3	-16.2
Travel Receipts (annual total, TOP million)	127.6	124.5	113.0 ^r
Travel Receipts (apc)	12.9	10.1	7.2 ^r
Remittances (annual total, TOP million) ⁶	350.4	350.8	344.2 ^r
Remittances (apc) ⁶	1.8	3.1	12.7 ^r

Financial Markets

Exchange Rate			
USD/TOP	0.4368	0.4412	0.4476
AUD/TOP	0.6271	0.6183	0.5934
NZD/TOP	0.6644	0.6544	0.6436
FJD/TOP	0.8949	0.8960	0.9000
Nominal Effective Exchange Rate Index⁷	92.38	92.02	90.46^r
Real Effective Exchange Rate Index⁷	106.76	105.66	104.75^r
Interest Rates			
Weighted Average Lending Rate (%) ⁸	8.04	8.11	7.98 ^r
Housing (%)	8.21	8.26	8.14
Business (%) ⁸	7.69	7.82	7.52 ^r
Weighted Average Deposit Rate (%) ⁸	1.96	1.95	2.08 ^r
12-month term (%)	4.85	5.48	5.22
Savings (%)	2.54	2.58	2.39
Term (%) ⁸	3.42	3.42	3.47 ^r

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	Jun-19	May-19	Jun-18
Foreign Reserves (TOP million)	484.3	468.3	468.7
Months of Imports (trade estimate) ¹	8.1	7.9	8.0 ^r
Months of Imports (Overseas Exchange Transactions estimate) ¹	9.6	9.3	10.4

Inflation (apc)²	1.8	1.6	3.0^r
Imported (apc) ³	1.9	1.7	7.6 ^r
Domestic (apc) ³	1.7	1.5	-2.4 ^r

Activity Indicators

Total Credit Growth (apc)³	8.7	8.7	10.6
Total Outstanding Loan (Ann. Tot \$ m)³	486.2	487.3	447.3
Household (apc) ⁴	4.0	4.9 ^r	8.5
Business (apc) ⁴	13.5	12.4	14.8 ^r
Exchange Settlement Accounts (TOP million)	154.8	172.8	175.9
NRBT Notes on issue (TOP million)	0.0	0.0	0.0
Banks' holding of Govt Securities (TOPmillion)	25.6	21.4	22.6
Broad Money (M2, TOP million) ⁵	600.1	584.8	575.4
Overseas Exchange Transactions⁶			
Imports (annual Total, TOP million)	443.7	444.4	406.5
Imports (apc)	9.1	8.7	10.5
Exports (annual total, TOP million)	19.3	20.3	20.4
Exports (apc)	-5.4	1.5	-15.3
Travel Receipts (annual total, TOP million)	129.4	127.6	111.2 ^r
Travel Receipts (apc)	16.3	12.9	2.3
Remittances (annual total, TOP million) ⁷	346.6	350.4	346.1 ^r
Remittances (apc) ⁷	0.2	1.8	12.4 ^r

Financial Markets

Exchange Rate			
USD/TOP	0.4374	0.4368	0.4459
AUD/TOP	0.6282	0.6271	0.5937
NZD/TOP	0.6621	0.6644	0.6416
FJD/TOP	0.8957	0.8949	0.8940
Nominal Effective Exchange Rate Index⁸	91.82	92.38	90.90
Real Effective Exchange Rate Index⁸	106.34	106.82	105.30
Interest Rates			
Weighted Average Lending Rate (%) ⁹	8.03	8.04	8.03 ^r
Housing (%)	8.20	8.21	8.17
Business (%) ⁹	7.64	7.69	7.61 ^r
Weighted Average Deposit Rate (%) ⁹	1.94	1.96	2.04 ^r
12-month term (%)	4.83	4.85	5.24
Savings (%)	2.55	2.54	2.42
Term (%) ⁹	3.43	3.42	3.46

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	Aug-19	Jul-19	Aug-18
Foreign Reserves (TOP million)	491.8	492.9	475.0
Months of Imports (trade estimate) ¹	7.9	8.0 ^r	8.1
Months of Imports (Overseas Exchange Transactions estimate) ¹	9.6	9.7	10.3
Inflation (apc)²	-0.1	-0.5	6.1
Imported (apc) ²	1.9	1.1	5.5
Domestic (apc) ²	-2.5	-2.4	6.6
Activity Indicators			
Total Credit Growth (apc)³	8.6	8.4	10.1
Total Outstanding Loan (Ann. Tot \$ m)³	496.8	491.1	457.5
Household (apc) ⁴	3.2	3.9	8.0
Business (apc) ⁴	14.8	14.3	13.8
Exchange Settlement Accounts (TOP million)	169.5	167.0	193.1
NRBT Notes on issue (TOP million)	0.0	0.0	0.0
Banks' holding of Govt Securities (TOPmillion)	25.6	25.6	22.6
Broad Money (M2, TOP million) ⁵	608.6	598.1	606.0
Overseas Exchange Transactions⁶			
Imports (annual Total, TOP million)	441.7	441.4	409.5
Imports (apc)	7.8	7.3	8.1
Exports (annual total, TOP million)	20.6	19.8	19.4
Exports (apc)	5.9	-3.8	-21.9
Travel Receipts (annual total, TOP million)	133.0	132.2	112.0
Travel Receipts (apc)	18.8	18.1	-1.3
Remittances (annual total, TOP million) ⁷	349.9	348.6	348.8
Remittances (apc) ⁷	0.3	0.0	10.3

Financial Markets

Exchange Rate			
USD/TOP	0.4325	0.4392	0.4390
AUD/TOP	0.6371	0.6272	0.5971
NZD/TOP	0.6706	0.6562	0.6570
FJD/TOP	0.8920	0.8960	0.8884
Nominal Effective Exchange Rate Index⁸	92.78	91.87	91.54
Real Effective Exchange Rate Index⁸	107.70	106.36	107.78
Interest Rates			
Weighted Average Lending Rate (%) ⁹	8.04	8.03	8.08
Housing (%)	8.20	8.19	8.19
Business (%) ⁹	7.69	7.69	7.74
Weighted Average Deposit Rate (%) ⁹	1.92	1.93	1.98
12-month term (%)	4.84	4.83	4.90
Savings (%)	2.60	2.58	2.42
Term (%) ⁹	3.40	3.39	3.62

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	Sep-19	Aug-19	Sep-18
Foreign Reserves (TOP million)	490.8	491.8	452.2
Months of Imports (trade estimate) ¹	7.9	7.9	7.8 ^r
Months of Imports (Overseas Exchange Transactions estimate) ¹	9.6	9.6	9.7
Inflation (apc)²	0.4	-0.1	5.5^r
Imported (apc) ²	1.6	1.9	5.4 ^r
Domestic (apc) ²	-1.1	-2.5	5.7 ^r

Activity Indicators

Total Credit Growth (apc)³	7.6	8.6	10.1
Total Outstanding Loan (Ann. Tot \$ m)³	493.9	496.8	459.0
Household (apc) ⁴	2.3	3.2	7.4 ^r
Business (apc) ⁴	14.3	14.8	13.8
Exchange Settlement Accounts (TOP million)	175.9	169.5	184.1
NRBT Notes on issue (TOP million)	0.0	0.0	0.0
Banks' holding of Govt Securities (TOPmillion)	25.6	25.6	22.6
Broad Money (M2, TOP million) ⁵	594.5	602.3 ^r	595.2
Overseas Exchange Transactions⁶			
Imports (annual Total, TOP million)	436.7	441.7	418.2
Imports (apc)	4.4	7.8	10.5
Exports (annual total, TOP million)	21.1	20.6	20.0
Exports (apc)	5.4	5.9	-15.9
Travel Receipts (annual total, TOP million)	134.4	133.0	111.0
Travel Receipts (apc)	21.0	18.8	-3.5
Remittances (annual total, TOP million) ⁷	348.7	349.9	348.5
Remittances (apc) ⁷	0.0	0.3	9.0

Financial Markets

Exchange Rate			
USD/TOP	0.4312	0.4325	0.4371
AUD/TOP	0.6323	0.6371	0.6053
NZD/TOP	0.6787	0.6706	0.6619
FJD/TOP	0.8904	0.8920	0.8892
Nominal Effective Exchange Rate Index⁸	92.58	92.41^r	91.90^r
Real Effective Exchange Rate Index⁸	108.65	108.61^r	109.01^r
Interest Rates			
Weighted Average Lending Rate (%) ⁹	8.00	8.04	8.07 ^r
Housing (%)	8.15	8.20	8.22 ^r
Business (%) ⁹	7.63	7.69	7.77
Weighted Average Deposit Rate (%) ⁹	1.94	1.92	1.98
12-month term (%)	4.82	4.84	4.95 ^r
Savings (%)	2.66	2.60	2.45
Term (%) ⁹	3.39	3.40	3.63 ^r

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Monetary Policy Data

	Oct-19	Sep-19	Oct-18
Foreign Reserves (TOP million)	489.3	490.8	457.3
Months of Imports (trade estimate) ¹	7.8	8.0 ^r	7.7 ^r
Months of Imports (Overseas Exchange Transactions estimate) ¹	9.5	9.6	9.7
Inflation (apc)²	0.2	0.4	6.2
Imported (apc) ²	1.5	1.6	4.8
Domestic (apc) ²	-1.3	-1.1	8.1

Activity Indicators

Total Credit Growth (apc)³	7.6	8.6	10.1^r
Total Outstanding Loan (Ann. Tot \$ m)³	496.9	493.9	466.3
Household (apc) ⁴	1.1	2.3	7.5
Business (apc) ⁴	13.4	14.3	17.2
Exchange Settlement Accounts (TOP million)	169.2	175.9	186.2
NRBT Notes on issue (TOP million)	0.0	0.0	0.0
Banks' holding of Govt Securities (TOPmillion)	25.6	25.6	22.6
Broad Money (M2, TOP million) ⁵	592.5	594.5	595.8
Overseas Exchange Transactions⁶			
Imports (annual Total, TOP million)	430.9	436.7	426.2
Imports (apc)	1.1	4.4	11.1
Exports (annual total, TOP million)	21.5	21.1	18.3
Exports (apc)	17.1	5.4	-26.3
Travel Receipts (annual total, TOP million)	134.5	134.4	113.4
Travel Receipts (apc)	18.6	21.0	-3.1
Remittances (annual total, TOP million) ⁷	350.0	348.7	348.3
Remittances (apc) ⁷	0.5	0.0	7.8

Financial Markets

Exchange Rate			
USD/TOP	0.4306	0.4312	0.4372
AUD/TOP	0.6325	0.6323	0.6131
NZD/TOP	0.6793	0.6787	0.6684
FJD/TOP	0.8896	0.8904	0.8933
Nominal Effective Exchange Rate Index⁸	92.29	92.58	92.36^r
Real Effective Exchange Rate Index⁸	108.52	108.65	110.00^r
Interest Rates			
Weighted Average Lending Rate (%) ⁹	7.97	8.00	8.12
Housing (%)	8.01	8.15	8.27
Business (%) ⁹	7.77	7.63	7.80
Weighted Average Deposit Rate (%) ⁹	1.93	1.94	1.98
12-month term (%)	4.82	4.82	4.99
Savings (%)	2.66	2.66	2.53
Term (%) ⁹	3.40	3.39	3.62

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Monetary Policy Data

	Nov-19	Oct-19	Nov-18
Foreign Reserves (TOP million)	489.5	489.3	468.7
Months of Imports (trade estimate) ¹	7.8	7.8	8.2 ^r
Months of Imports (Overseas Exchange Transactions estimate) ¹	9.6	9.5	9.9
Inflation (apc)²	0.1	0.2	6.5
Imported (apc) ²	1.2	1.5	4.6
Domestic (apc) ²	-1.2	-1.3	8.9
Activity Indicators			
Total Credit Growth (apc)³	7.3	6.6^r	11.8
Total Outstanding Loan (Ann. Tot \$ m)³	504.3	496.9	469.9
Household (apc) ⁴	1.0	1.1	7.7
Business (apc) ⁴	15.3	13.4	17.5
Exchange Settlement Accounts (TOP million)	161.7	169.2	178.7
NRBT Notes on issue (TOP million)	0.0	0.0	0.0
Banks' holding of Govt Securities (TOPmillion)	25.6	25.6	22.6
Broad Money (M2, TOP million) ⁵	605.6	592.5	592.3
Overseas Exchange Transactions⁶			
Imports (annual Total, TOP million)	427.8	430.9	435.8 ^r
Imports (apc)	-1.8	1.1	14.0 ^r
Exports (annual total, TOP million)	20.8	21.5	17.9
Exports (apc)	16.2	17.1	-27.6 ^r
Travel Receipts (annual total, TOP million)	135.7	134.5	116.1 ^r
Travel Receipts (apc)	16.9	18.6	-0.2 ^r
Remittances (annual total, TOP million) ⁷	348.5	350.0	352.1 ^r
Remittances (apc) ⁷	-1.0	0.5	8.0 ^r
Financial Markets			
Exchange Rate			
USD/TOP	0.4316	0.4306	0.4427
AUD/TOP	0.6302	0.6325	0.6097
NZD/TOP	0.6740	0.6793	0.6533
FJD/TOP	0.8911	0.8896	0.8978
Nominal Effective Exchange Rate Index⁸	92.15	92.29	91.83^r
Real Effective Exchange Rate Index⁸	107.25	108.52	109.16^r
Interest Rates			
Weighted Average Lending Rate (%) ⁹	7.97	7.97	8.09
Housing (%)	8.19	8.01	8.20
Business (%) ⁹	7.71	7.77	7.79
Weighted Average Deposit Rate (%) ⁹	1.95	1.93	1.98
12-month term (%)	4.79	4.82	5.04
Savings (%)	2.59	2.66	2.52
Term (%) ⁹	3.39	3.40	3.60

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Monetary Policy Data

	Dec-19	Nov-19	Dec-18
Foreign Reserves (TOP million)	487.4	489.5	478.5
Months of Imports (trade estimate) ¹	7.8	7.8	8.4 ^r
Months of Imports (Overseas Exchange Transactions estimate) ¹	9.5	9.6	10.0
Inflation (apc)²	1.2	0.1	4.8
Imported (apc) ²	2.1	1.2	2.9
Domestic (apc) ²	0.1	-1.2	7.1
Activity Indicators			
Total Credit Growth (apc)³	4.4	7.3	9.9^r
Total Outstanding Loan (Ann. Tot \$ m)³	500.9	504.3	479.9^r
Household (apc) ⁴	0.7	1.0	6.6 ^r
Business (apc) ⁴	8.9	15.3	14.5 ^r
Exchange Settlement Accounts (TOP million)	157.5	161.7	174.2
NRBT Notes on issue (TOP million)	0.0	0.0	0.0
Banks' holding of Govt Securities (TOPmillion)	25.6	25.6	22.6
Broad Money (M2, TOP million) ⁵	602.2	605.6	605.3
Overseas Exchange Transactions⁶			
Imports (annual Total, TOP million)	427.6	428.0	433.5 ^r
Imports (apc)	-1.4	-1.8	11.5 ^r
Exports (annual total, TOP million)	19.8	20.9 ^r	20.0 ^r
Exports (apc)	-1.0	16.6 ^r	-8.9 ^r
Travel Receipts (annual total, TOP million)	135.3	135.7	118.1 ^r
Travel Receipts (apc)	14.5	16.9	4.1 ^r
Remittances (annual total, TOP million) ⁷	348.5	348.5	350.8 ^r
Remittances (apc) ⁷	-0.7	-1.0	7.0 ^r
Financial Markets			
Exchange Rate			
USD/TOP	0.4349	0.4316	0.4436
AUD/TOP	0.6309	0.6302	0.6154
NZD/TOP	0.6596	0.6740	0.6480
FJD/TOP	0.8939	0.8911	0.8997
Nominal Effective Exchange Rate Index⁸	91.49	92.15	91.67^r
Real Effective Exchange Rate Index⁸	107.13	107.65^r	108.04^r
Interest Rates			
Weighted Average Lending Rate (%) ⁹	8.02	8.01 ^r	8.12
Housing (%)	8.04	8.19	8.22
Business (%) ⁹	7.87	7.80 ^r	7.89
Weighted Average Deposit Rate (%) ⁹	1.99	1.95	1.90
12-month term (%)	4.74	4.79	4.81
Savings (%)	2.54	2.58 ^r	2.52
Term (%) ⁹	3.42	3.40 ^r	3.44

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