

TREASURY MARKET UPDATE 12TH APRIL 2022

DOMESTIC NEWS

The Kenya shilling was steady on Monday although demand for dollars from firms in manufacturing and energy sectors was likely to cause further depreciation. Commercial banks quoted the shillings at 115.25/45 same as Fridays closing rate.

In other news in the capital markets locally Pension funds have raised their offshore and private equity investments threefold in the past two years, underlining the push for income diversification from equities and property whose returns have contracted.

The funds raised their offshore investments from Sh6.32 billion in 2019 to Sh19.4 billion at the end of last year, the latest industry data from the Retirement Benefits Authority (RBA) shows.

Indicative Forex Rates

	Buy Cash	Sell Cash	Buy TT	Sell TT
USD/KES	111.95	118.95	113.45	118.45
GBP/KES	146.48	154.48	146.18	154.88
EUR/KES	121.20	129.10	122.00	129.50
AED/KES	29.93	32.93	29.43	33.43

Money Market	Current	Previous	Change
Rates			
Interbank Rate	4.69%	4.77%	0.080
91-Day T-bill	7.377%	7.302%	0.019
182-Day T-Bill	8.219%	8.164%	0.030
364-Day T-Bill	9.743%	9.752%	0.015
Inflation	5.560%	5.080%	0.480
CBR RATE	7.000%	7.000%	0.000

Source; Central Bank of Kenya)

LIBOR Rates	USD	JPY	GBP
6 Months	1.54043	0.04823	1.48210
12 months	2.27157	-	-

(Source: Reuters)

	Price /USD 109.8
	109.5
	108.9
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	108
	107.7
9/23/3021, 0.25, 0.26	Value /USD
	0.1
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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

The dollar was up on Tuesday morning in Asia, climbing back above the 100 mark. The U.S. currency was supported by high yields ahead of inflation data due later in the day, which also heightened expectations of tighter monetary policy. The U.S. Dollar Index that tracks the greenback against a basket of other currencies edged up 0.13% to 100.055 by 11:47 PM ET (3:47 AM GMT). The index tested a near two-year high of 100.19 that it hit during the previous week. The dollar also continued its gains against the yen and was very near the overnight intraday high of 125.77 and a June 2015 high of 125.86. Although Japanese Finance Minister Shunichi Suzuki on Tuesday declined to comment on specific prices in foreign exchange markets, he said excess volatility and disorderly movements could have an adverse effect on the economy and financial stability.

In the Commodities market, Oil prices climbed on Tuesday as fears of a demand downturn in China eased after Shanghai relaxed some COVID-19 related restrictions, and OPEC warned it would be impossible to increase output enough to offset lost Russian supply. Brent crude futures were up \$1.72, or 1.75%, to \$100.20 a barrel, and U.S. West Texas Intermediate contracts were up \$1.76, or 1.87%, to \$96.05 a barrel at 0405 GMT. Both contracts had settled down around 4% on Monday.

Gold was up on Tuesday morning in Asia as U.S. Treasury yields and the dollar gained ahead of the latest inflation figures. The data could provide clues as to how far the U.S. Federal Reserve will continue tightening monetary policy.

Gold futures gained 0.61% to \$1,960.10 by 12:46 AM ET (4:46 AM GMT) after hitting a near one-month high of \$1,968.91 on Monday.

Indicative Profit Rates on Deposits			
Amounts > 10 million		Amounts >100,000	
	KES	USD	
2 Weeks	6.55%	0.35%	
1 Month	6.75%	0.55%	
3 Months	7.00%	0.80%	
6 Months	7.50%	1.25%	
1 year	8.00%	1.75%	
Indicative Cross Rates			
	Bid	Offer	
EUR/USD	1.0106	1.1453	
GBP/USD	1.2987	1.3338	
USD/AED	3.6130	3.6945	
USD/JPY	118.75	126.75	

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