

## **US Rates Watch**

# Follow the money: FHLBs, MMF, & Fed April 21 update

#### Money map: FHLBs, MMF, & Fed

We provide our real-time assessment of how funds are flowing in the system using daily & weekly data across FHLBs, MMF and Fed. We provide an in-depth description of how funding movements and borrowing from the Fed and FHLB impact the balance sheets of the banking sector and MMFs in the report: Funding map: T-tables for Fed, banks, MMF.

**Key takeaway**: banking system stress remains elevated but is showing modest signs of improvement. Fed H.4.1 showed money moving from ON RRP and reserves to TGA, in line with expected Tax Day related flows. FHLB debt issuance and Fed bank lending has picked up, likely due to banks facing deposit outflows from the Tax Day.

**FHLB activity**: FHLB debt issuance grew \$16b on Thursday, April 20<sup>th</sup> (Exhibit 2), the largest increase since March 17. The increase in debt issuance was likely due to banks borrowing advances as they faced tax-day related outflows, in line with the increase in Fed borrowing we saw in the H.4.1, discussed more below.

**Money market funds**: According to ICI data, MMF AUM declined \$69b the week of April 19<sup>th</sup>, the largest 1w decline in 2 years (Exhibit 5, Exhibit 6). The decline was primarily in government institutional funds, likely due to investors withdrawing some of their recent inflows for corporate tax payments.

**ON RRP**: take-up declined \$17bn on Thursday (Exhibit 8). This may have been driven by the recent pickup in FHLB debt issuance and MMF outflows (Exhibit 10).

We expect MMF take-up at the ON RRP to increase heading into the X-date as MMFs typically want to avoid bills maturing following projected X-dates. Some gov't MMFs are Treasury-only & cannot invest at Fed RRP, contributing to richening in short-dated bills.

**Tax receipt data**: the April 19<sup>th</sup> Treasury statement showed the TGA grew another \$12b following Tax Day. The inflows from individual tax receipts are still well below '22, but that spread is narrowing (Exhibit 13).

**Fed data:** Fed H.4.1 for the week ending April 19 showed a \$183b drop in reserves and a \$179b increase in TGA. The shift from reserves to TGA was due to the April 18<sup>th</sup> Tax Day. The decline in the ON RRP was less severe, though MMF AUM declined \$69b over the same period, as institutional clients likely withdrew some of the cash they've recently moved into MMFs for corporate tax payments.

Notably, Fed emergency liquidity lending also ticked up \$2b after several weeks of declines, again likely driven by banks facing deposit outflows due to the April tax date.

Note: after today's publication "Follow the Money" will shift to a weekly timeline.

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#### **Abbreviations:**

BTFP: bank term funding program
CB: Central bank
DW: discount window
FHLB: Federal Home Loan Banks
FIMA: Foreign and international monetary
authorities
GSE: Government sponsored enterprises
Inst'l: institutional
MMF: Money market funds

ON RRP: Overnight reverse repo facility P&I: principal & interest TGA: Treasury General Account w/w: week on week

DL: debt limit WTD: week to date

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#### Exhibit 1: Data on FHLB issuance + ON RRP / MMF flows (\$bn)

FHLB net issuance is offset by ON RRP decline & MMF inflows; funding markets are working

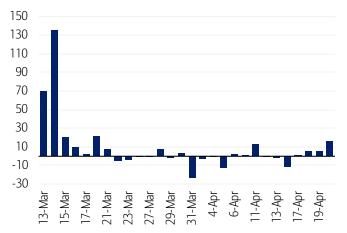
FHLBs	3-Apr	4-Apr	5-Apr	6-Apr	10-Apr	11-Apr	12-Apr	13-Apr	14-Apr	17-Apr	18-Apr	19-Apr	20-Apr
Total	-2.85	-1.19	-12.52	2.08	0.57	13.17	-1.17	-1.83	-11.33	0.35	5.69	5.01	16.02
DN outstanding	516.86	521.32	510.34	514.36	510.69	521.45	518.69	517.08	507.97	505.69	509.94	508.31	518.65
Money Markets	3-Apr	4-Apr	5-Apr	6-Apr	10-Apr	11-Apr	12-Apr	13-Apr	14-Apr	17-Apr	18-Apr	19-Apr	20-Apr
ON RRP Total	2,221.01	2,219.38	2,243.01	2,173.66	2,239.66	2,297.21	2,303.86	2,321.70	2,253.79	2,256.85	2,238.99	2,294.68	2,277.26
ON RRP Change (d/d)	-154.16	-1.64	23.64	-69.35	65.99	57.55	6.65	17.84	-67.91	3.06	-17.85	55.68	-17.42
MMF Flows	-7.64	27.98	7.87	-38.00	56.60	2.00	8.19	-0.42	-37.50	9.87	-8.51	-9.17	
MMF Inflow - RRP Change	146.52	29.62	-15.76	31.35	-9.39	-55.55	1.54	-18.26	30.41	6.81	9.34	-64.85	

Source: BofA Global Research, Bloomberg, FHLB Office of Finance, Crane Data. Note: For FHLB data we use estimates of daily net issuance

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#### Exhibit 2: Daily net FHLB debt issuance (\$bn)

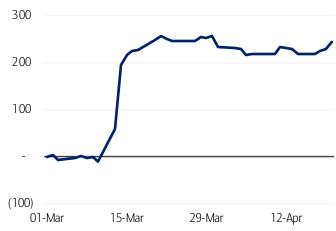
FHLB daily debt issuance has recently picked up



**Source:** Bloomberg, FHLB Office of Finance. Note: we use estimates of daily net issuance

### Exhibit 3: Cumulative growth in FHLB debt since March 1 (\$bn)

Daily FHLB cumulative debt is roughly \$245bn higher since March 1  $\,$ 



**Source:** Bloomberg, FHLB Office of Finance. Note: we use estimates of daily net issuance

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#### Exhibit 4: FHLB debt issuance (\$bn)

Higher FHLB debt issuance leading to more MMF investment

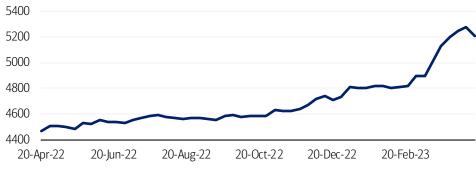


Jan-19 Jun-19 Nov-19 Apr-20 Sep-20 Feb-21 Jul-21 Dec-21 May-22 Oct-22 Mar-23

Source: FHLB Office of Finance

#### Exhibit 5: MMF AUM (\$bn)

MMFs saw -\$68.64bn in flows from prior week, likely due to corporate tax-date



Source: ICI, Bloomberg

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#### Exhibit 6: ICI Money Market Fund AUM (\$bn)

MMF aum declined \$69bn from prior week, likely due to corporate tax-date

				Tax			Prime	Gov't	Tax-exempt	Prime	Gov't	Tax-exempt
Dates	Total	Prime	Gov't	exempt	Retail	Institutional	Institutional	Institutional	Institutional	Retail	Retail	Retail
4/12/2023	5,277	769	4,392	116	1,904	3,374	257	3,105	12	511	1,287	105
4/19/2023	5,209	767	4,332	110	1,894	3,315	257	3,048	11	510	1,284	99
WoW Change	-69	-2	-60	-6	-10	-59	-1	-57	-1	-1	-3	-6
Change since 3/8	315	-28	349	-6	67	248	-12	262	-2	-15	86	-4

Source: ICI, Bloomberg

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#### Exhibit 7: Daily Crane MMF AUM (\$bn)

MMF AUM dedined \$9b from prior day

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Dates	Total	Prime	Gov't	Tax exempt	Retail	Institutional	Prime Institutional	Gov't Institutional	Prime Retail	Gov't Retail
4/13/2023	5,667	1,141	4,403	123	1,808	3,736	628	3,109	513	1,295
4/14/2023	5,630	1,155	4,352	122	1,804	3,703	642	3,061	513	1,292
4/17/2023	5,639	1,158	4,362	120	1,803	3,717	647	3,070	511	1,291
4/18/2023	5,631	1,161	4,350	120	1,802	3,709	650	3,059	511	1,291
4/19/2023	5,622	1,164	4,341	117	1,801	3,704	652	3,052	512	1,289
DoD Change	-9	3	-9	-3	-1	-4	2	-6	1	-2
WoW change	-45	23	-61	-7	-7	-31	24	-56	-1	-6

Source: Crane Data

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#### Exhibit 8: ON RRP take-up (\$bn)

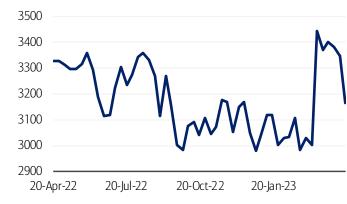
ON RRP take-up decreased -\$17.42bn from prior day



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#### Exhibit 9: Fed reserve balances outstanding (\$bn)

Change in reserve balance from prior week was -\$182.67bn

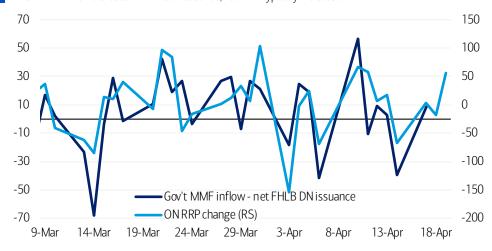


Source: Federal Reserve



#### Exhibit 10: Daily gov't MMF inflow - net FHLB DN issuance vs ON RRP change (\$bn)

When MMF inflows exceed FHLB debt issuance, Fed RRP typically increases



**Source:** BofA Global Research, FRBNY, Bloomberg, FHLB, Crane data

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#### Exhibit 11: US Commercial Bank balance sheets, selected assets & liabilities (\$bn)

 $Domestic\ banks\ saw\ deposits\ increase\ but\ borrowings\ declined$ 

		Total	Assets						Liabilities			
			Cash	UST & Agy	MBS	Repo & FF	Loans & Leases	Other	Deposits	Borrowings	Net due to related foreign offices	Other
All	4/5/2023	22986	3381	1553	2622	618	12060	2751	17425	2356	323	2882
Banks	1w Chg	-110	-78	-3	13	-8	-6	-29	75	-55	-66	-66
	1m Chg	118	320	-69	-114	16	28	-62	-191	378	-1	-68
	YTD Chg	10	286	-100	-151	17	-45	3	-520	501	52	-23
Domestic	4/5/2023	19975	2120	1445	2595	263	11020	2532	16176	1435	-386	2750
Banks	1w Chg	-31	-36	-1	13	-10	5	-1	56	-61	-8	-18
	1m Chg	227	433	-67	-116	0	15	-38	-77	382	-43	-34
	YTD Chg	-26	252	-103	-142	-50	-27	44	-455	452	-48	24
Large	4/5/2023	13230	1638	1144	1961	220	6565	1703	10776	892	-419	1981
Banks	1w Chg	-24	5	-3	7	-10	6	-28	28	-36	-7	-9
	1m Chg	315	370	-47	2	0	49	-59	101	242	-45	18
	YTD Chg	112	223	-71	1	-44	-10	14	-229	316	-44	68
Small	4/5/2023	6745	483	300	634	43	4455	829	5400	543	33	769
Banks	1w Chg	-7	-42	2	7	0	0	27	28	-25	-1	-9
	1m Chg	-88	63	-20	-117	-1	-33	21	-178	140	2	-51
	YTD Chg	-138	29	-31	-143	-6	-17	29	-226	135	-4	-44
Foreign	4/5/2023	3011	1261	108	27	355	1040	219	1249	920	709	133
Banks	1w Chg	-79	-41	-2	0	3	-11	-28	19	7	-58	-48
	1m Chg	-109	-113	-3	2	16	12	-24	-113	-4	42	-35
	YTD Chg	37	34	2	-9	68	-18	-41	-66	50	100	-48

Source: Federal Reserve H8

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#### Exhibit 12: Fed balance sheet, selected assets & liabilities (\$bn, Wednesday comparison data)

Cash in banking system exceeded Fed balance sheet growth due to lower ON RRP

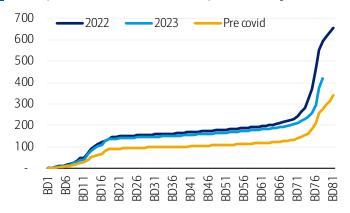
Dates	Assets Securities	Repo	Discount Window	BTFP	FDIC bank credit extension	CB Liquidity Swaps	Liabilities Currency	Foreign RRP	ON RRP	TGA	Reserves	Total
3/8/2023	7,948	0	5	0	0	0	2,308	367	2,193	312	3,004	8,392
4/12/2023	7,878	30	68	72	173	0	2,324	373	2,304	87	3,348	8,665
4/19/2023	7,860	20	70	74	173	0	2,323	372	2,295	265	3,165	8,643
Change from 4/12-4/19	-17	-10	2	2	0	0	-1	-1	-9	179	-183	-21
Change from 3/8-4/19	-88	20	65	74	173	0	15	5	101	-47	161	252

Source: BofA Global Research, Federal Reserve



#### Exhibit 13: Cumulative individual tax receipts YTD (\$bn)

'23 receipts are well below '22 but above the pre-COVID average

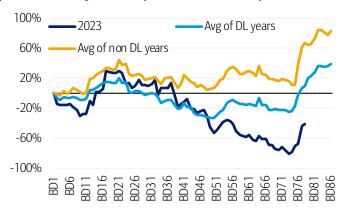


Source: BofA Global Research, Treasury

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#### Exhibit 14: Percent change in TGA YTD

TGA was declining continuously in '23 due to debt limit dynamics



Source: BofA Global Research, Treasury



# **Appendix**

**Exhibit 15: Daily FHLB debt issuance estimates (\$mn)**We estimate daily issuance from Bloomberg and FHLB Office of Finance website. Data is subject to revisions

	O/N	Term DN	Auction	Maturing DN	FRNs	Callable	Bullets	Maturing	Total
3/1/2023	14,450	6,550	-	(21,685)	-	1,317	603	(2,794)	(1,559)
3/2/2023	17,964	4,656	5,650	(17,127)	-	114	789	(6,685)	5,361
3/3/2023	14,476	3,414	-	(30,161)	1,000	120	2,035	(1,949)	(11,065)
3/6/2023	14,930	4,704	-	(18,998)	3,790	754	1,023	(2,335)	3,868
3/7/2023	14,439	3,751	4,915	(17,260)	-	170	284	(1,000)	5,298
3/8/2023	13,485	7,293	-	(31,073)	-	5,095	212	-	(4,989)
3/9/2023	15,250	3,552	3,360	(16,869)	-	585	1,135	(3,980)	3,032
3/10/2023	16,799	3,740	-	(28,651)	2,000	547	58	(5,206)	(10,714)
3/13/2023	67,500	23,039	-	(22,798)	2,810	2,035	347	(2,750)	70,183
3/14/2023	50,200	61,770	6,445	(71,183)	91,819	495	-	(3,450)	136,096
3/15/2023	24,100	40,529	-	(65,448)	21,052	1,685	677	(1,889)	20,705
3/16/2023	14,600	9,988	3,500	(29,369)	10,850	636	132	(830)	9,507
3/17/2023	11,585	7,880	-	(24,676)	11,500	175	39	(4,583)	1,920
3/20/2023	12,400	7,341	-	(16,852)	21,712	413	31	(3,650)	21,395
3/21/2023	9,604	5,301	3,675	(15,224)	7,312	227	31	(3,545)	7,381
3/22/2023	11,250	5,916	-	(24,402)	2,500	237	32	(1,000)	(5,468)
3/23/2023	9,780	3,456	5,115	(16,546)	-	105	81	(6,400)	(4,409)
3/24/2023	18,355	1,650	-	(23,633)	4,900	30	74	(1,580)	(204)
3/27/2023	24,070	1,464	-	(33,130)	9,150	4,188	295	(6,323)	(285)
3/28/2023	19,223	4,277	280	(23,576)	2,200	8,744	75	(3,247)	7,977
3/29/2023	17,095	1,957	-	(29,865)	1,000	9,924	162	(1,881)	(1,609)
3/30/2023	15,250	4,213	4,700	(20,936)	-	3,498	129	(3,202)	3,652
3/31/2023	8,000	964	-	(32,122)	-	-	-	-	(23,158)
4/3/2023	9,620	2,421	-	(16,456)	-	7,642	96	(6,175)	(2,852)
4/4/2023	11,440	1,453	4,120	(12,553)	-	15	20	(5,681)	(1,186)
4/5/2023	9,800	2,712	-	(23,492)	-	492	144	(2,172)	(12,516)
4/6/2023	9,300	3,140	4,275	(12,694)	-	1,030	44	(3,011)	2,083
4/10/2023	9,600	6,010	-	(19,286)	-	5,213	520	(1,485)	572
4/11/2023	9,600	7,455	5,255	(11,553)	-	2,350	258	(200)	13,166
4/12/2023	16,155	5,059	-	(23,974)	50	1,723	149	(330)	(1,168)
4/13/2023	2,750	3,625	2,935	(10,918)	-	751	126	(1,100)	(1,831)
4/14/2023	11,041	3,882	-	(24,032)	378	1,040	55	(3,690)	(11,327)
4/17/2023	11,896	5,142	-	(19,320)	-	3,605	428	(1,400)	351
4/18/2023	13,127	4,043	3,935	(16,850)	500	2,502	151	(1,722)	5,686
4/19/2023	16,014	8,047	-	(25,694)	1,000	5,460	187	-	5,014
4/20/2023	18,737	6,788	7,240	(22,421)	1,000	5,682	310	(1,317)	16,018

**Source:** Bloomberg, FHLB Office of Finance. Note: We use estimates of daily FHLB debt issuance



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