

PRESS RELEASE

PROVISIONAL FIGURES ON LOAN ISSUES, EXTRAORDINARY PAYMENTS/ RECEIPTS AND CASH BALANCES AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2012 ISSUED BY THE DIRECTOR GENERAL: NATIONAL TREASURY

During the month of December 2012, net domestic short-term loans increased by R4 339 million and net domestic long-term loans increased by R7 857 million, inclusive of redemption, repo and switch transactions.

Net foreign loans decreased by R86 million due to redemptions on arms procurement loan agreements.

Extraordinary receipts of R269 million were recorded mainly in respect of premiums received on bond transactions and revaluation profits on foreign currency transactions. No extraordinary payments were recorded.

Government's cash balances increased by R31 313 million to R177 672 million. The South African Reserve Bank accounts, mainly sterilisation and foreign currency deposits, amounted to R125 088 million. Cash balances with commercial banks amounted to R52 584 million.

More detailed information on the provisional figures will be included in the monthly statements of the National Revenue, Expenditure and Borrowing, which will be released on 30 January 2013.

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