

PRESS RELEASE

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

During July 2012, net domestic short-term loans decreased by R9 123 million, as Corporation for Public Deposits repayments amounted to R11 125 million. Net domestic long-term loans increased by R14 527 million, inclusive of redemption, repo and switch transactions.

Net foreign loans decreased by R438 million mainly due to the redemptions on arms procurement loan agreements.

Extraordinary receipts of R462 million were recorded mostly in respect of premiums received on loan transactions and liquidation of a SASRIA investment realising. Extraordinary payments recorded R28 million due to premiums paid on portfolio restructuring transactions.

Government's cash balances decreased by R52 551 million to R153 3101 million. The South African Reserve Bank accounts, mainly sterilisation and foreign currency deposits, amounted to R121 163 million. Cash balances with commercial banks amounted to R32 148 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 August 2012.

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