

PRESS RELEASE

PROVISIONAL FIGURES ON LOAN ISSUES, EXTRAORDINARY PAYMENTS/ RECEIPTS AND CASH BALANCES AS AT 31 OCTOBER 2013 ISSUED BY THE DIRECTOR GENERAL: NATIONAL TREASURY

During October 2013, net domestic short-term loans increased by R5 165 million. Net domestic long-term loans, inclusive of redemptions, switches and repo transactions, increased by R16 010 million.

Foreign loans decreased by a net R1 338 million due to the repayment of the arms procurement loan agreements.

Extraordinary receipts of R1 211 million were recorded mainly in respect of premiums received on bond transactions and revaluation profits on foreign currency deposits. Extraordinary payments of R23 million were recorded mainly in respect of premiums on debt portfolio restructuring.

Government's cash balances decreased by R9 205 million to R153 299 million. The South African Reserve Bank accounts, mainly sterilisation and foreign currency deposits, amounted to R129 600 million. Cash balances with commercial banks amounted to R23 698 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 29 November 2013.

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