

Gross Official International Reserves: End-August 2017

The Gross Official International Reserves (GOIR¹) of the country decreased from Rs177.0 billion as at end-July 2017 to Rs176.3 billion as at end-August 2017, reflecting essentially weakness of the US dollar on international markets. However, compared to a year ago, GOIR rose by Rs8.1 billion or 4.8 per cent. In US dollar terms, GOIR increased from USD5,293.0 million as at end-July 2017 to USD5,397.7 million as at end-August 2017. Based on the value of imports of goods (f.o.b.) and non-factor services for the year 2016, the level of GOIR of the country represented 9.2 months of imports as at end-August 2017, same as at end-July 2017 and up from 8.8 months of imports as at end-August 2016.

Table 1: Gross Official International Reserves: August 2016 - August 2017

	Gross Foreign Assets of Bank of Mauritius				Reserve Position in the IMF	Foreign Assets of Government	Gross Official International Reserves	Gross Official International Reserves
	Gold	SDR	Other	TOTAL			1.000.100	
				(Rs million)				(US\$ million)
Aug-16	17,030	4,423	144,771	166,224	2,012	0.1	168,236.1	4,772.6
Sep-16	17,263	4,449	147,828	169,540	2,023	0.1	171,563.1	4,845.1
Oct-16	18,280	4,425	148,355	171,060	1,489	0.2	172,549.2	4,807.4
Nov-16	17,104	4,374	152,085	173,563	1,471	0.1	175,034.1	4,862.6
Dec-16	16,675	4,338	156,390	177,403	1,455	0.1	178,858.1	4,966.9
Jan-17	17,082	4,338	152,678	174,098	1,455	0.1	175,553.1	4,925.5
Feb-17	17,793	4,326	152,521	174,640	1,206	0.2	175,846.2	4,943.7
Mar-17	17,530	4,315	153,525	175,370	1,200	0.1	176,570.1	5,001.9
Apr-17	17,706	4,307	156,854	178,867	1,207	0.03	180,074.0	5,144.9
May-17	17,567	4,316	156,291	178,174	1,211	0.1	179,385.1	5,158.0
Jun-17	17,125	4,313	158,695	180,133	1,206	0.1	181,339.1	5,261.4
Jul-17	16,926	4,226	154,708	175,860	1,184	0.01	177,044.0	5,293.0
Aug-17 ¹	17,070	4,165	153,909	175,144	1,161	0.03	176,305.0	5,397.7

¹ Provisional

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¹ GOIR comprise the gross foreign assets of the Bank of Mauritius, reserve position in the IMF and foreign assets of Government.