

*Press Releases***February 2008****RBI revamps its On-line Data Warehouse Site "Database on Indian Economy" (DBIE)****Feb 29, 2008**

The Reserve Bank of India today enhanced the functionalities of data warehouse site *viz.*, Database on Indian Economy (DBIE): The RBI's Data Warehouse. Built primarily for the benefit of researchers, analysts and other users, the website is created to provide the public with an access to the published data series, with additional details on some series, as available in The Reserve Bank of India's enterprise-wide data warehouse. This is an advanced mode of information dissemination through which long time series data are made available in a user-friendly manner including downloading data in Excel, CSV and PDF format. The site is well accepted by the community and is visited by around 6,000 users on every month. The site was first released to public on November 1, 2004.

The enhanced site has now added facilities like, sophisticated homepage, improved search option, discussions on any report and advanced query. The most important new feature is enabling the users to create reports from the data marts in desired formats. In other words, apart from standard reports, data can be accessed through adhoc query mode, *i.e.*, 'Simple Query' (previously known as 'Data Query') and 'Advanced Query' (new feature). Through the

'Advanced Query' feature, users can create new reports in desired format using the available data marts. Users can select appropriate universe as per their choice from the list of universes. Using graphic user interface (GUI) tool, users can drag and drop selected data for the selected period, specifying values / value range for the respective Time Dimension Object. These reports also provide options to the users to download the report into their local computer in Excel/CSV/PDF file format.

A number of additional data series on various subject areas, including financial sector, real sector, financial market, external sector, public finance and corporate finance, have been added since its inception. At present there are 182 static reports, arranged

both, according to subject and frequency. In addition, there are 73 data query reports subjectwise, 53 data query templates frequencywise and 38 data mart universes which can be utilised to create user defined reports using a web browser. These reports are released along with their metadata (*i.e.*, business terms and notes on tables).

The Database on Indian Economy can be easily accessed on the RBI site (www.rbi.org.in) from the Database section. This can also be directly accessed through RBI's secured website (<https://reservebank.org.in/>).

Economists, statisticians, data analysts and market participants may find this site useful. Users are requested to send their feedback, through the 'feedback' link on the site.