

2. Foreign Exchange Reserves

<i>Item</i>	As on Aug. 21, 2009		Variation over							
			Week		End-March 2009		End-December 2008		Year	
	Rs. Crore	US\$ Mn.	Rs. Crore	US\$ Mn.	Rs. Crore	US\$ Mn.	Rs. Crore	US\$ Mn.	Rs. Crore	US\$ Mn.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Total Reserves	13,24,962	271,957	16,831	932	41,097	19,972	84,801	15,989	36,199	-25,329
(a) Foreign Currency Assets +	12,71,813	260,938	16,746	928*	41,747	19,512	77,023	14,335	26,594	-26,111
(b) Gold	46,576	9,671	—	—	-2,217	94	5,466	1,186	5,210	-64
(c) SDRs	1	—	—	—	-5	-1	-12	-3	-15	-4
(d) Reserve Position in the IMF**	6,572	1,348	85	4	1,572	367	2,324	471	4,410	850

+ : Excludes Rs.1219 crore /US\$ 250 million invested in foreign currency denominated bonds issued by IIFC (UK).

* : Foreign currency assets expressed in US dollar terms include the effect of appreciation/depreciation of non-US currencies (such as Euro, Sterling, Yen) held in reserves. For details, please refer to the Current Statistics section of the RBI Bulletin.

** : Reserve Position in the International Monetary Fund (IMF), i.e., Reserve Tranche Position (RTP) which was shown as a memo item from May 23, 2003 to March 26, 2004 has been included in the reserves from the week ended April 2, 2004 in keeping with the international best practice.