

2. Foreign Exchange Reserves

Item	Variation over									
	As on Feb. 28, 2003		Week		End-March2002		End-December 2002		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	3,47,405	72,877	-12,359	-2,477	83,369	18,771	9,056	2,432	1,00,007	22,133
of which :										
(a) Foreign Currency Assets	3,29,627	69,148	-12,488	-2,514*+	80,509	18,099	7,853	2,154	97,177	21,466
(b) Gold	17,759	3,725	129	37	2,891	678	1,217	281	2,861	673
(c) SDRs	19	4	—	—	-31	-6	-14	-3	-31	-6

* : 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.

+ : The variation in foreign currency assets during the week of February 28, 2003 includes the effect of purchases of US \$ 3,035 million by Government of India from the Reserve Bank of India for prepayment of foreign currency loans from the Asian Development Bank and the World Bank.