

2. Foreign Exchange Reserves

Item	As on Dec. 16, 2005		Variation over							
			Week		End-March 2005		End-December 2004		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	6,58,286	1,45,000	-6,884	1,057	39,170	3,486	86,608	13,822	82,837	14,379
⊖ Foreign Currency Assets	6,29,949	1,38,816	-6,843	1,042*	36,828	3,245	84,483	13,652	81,044	14,150
⊖ Gold	22,626	4,925	—	—	2,940	425	2,657	343	2,310	385
⊖ SDRs	21	5	—	1	1	—	-1	—	-1	—
⊖ Reserve Position in the IMF**	5,690	1,254	-41	14	-599	-184	-531	-173	-516	-156

* : 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.