

2. Foreign Exchange Reserves

Item	As on Mar. 17, 2006		Variation over							
			Week		End-March 2005		End-December 2005		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	6,49,253	1,46,159	8,837	2,238	30,137	4,645	30,870	8,953	28,310	4,029
Ⓐ Foreign Currency Assets	6,20,340	1,39,653	8,825	2,234*	27,219	4,082	29,843	8,635	24,885	3,362
Ⓑ Gold	25,541	5,747	—	—	5,855	1,247	1,771	473	6,445	1,371
Ⓒ SDRs	12	3	—	—	-8	-2	-8	-2	-8	-2
Ⓓ Reserve Position in the IMF**	3,360	756	12	4	-2,929	-682	-736	-153	-3,012	-702

* : 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.