

2. Foreign Exchange Reserves

Item	As on May 5, 2006		Variation over							
			Week		End-March 2006		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	7,28,963	1,62,413	6,400	1,736	52,576	10,791	1,10,580	25,207	1,14,304	20,938
(a) Foreign Currency Assets	6,97,115	1,55,329	6,386	1,731*	49,788	10,221	1,06,618	24,311	1,08,137	19,745
(b) Gold	28,335	6,301	—	—	2,661	546	4,565	1,027	8,942	1,858
(c) SDRs	25	6	—	—	13	3	5	1	5	1
(d) Reserve Position in the IMF**	3,488	777	15	5	114	21	-608	-132	-2,780	-666

* : 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.