

2. Foreign Exchange Reserves

<i>Item</i>	As on Jan. 9, 2009		Variation over							
			Week		End-March 2008		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	12,45,881	254,759	-1,614	-481	7,916	-54,964	5,720	-1,209	1,38,872	-26,970
(a) Foreign Currency Assets	12,00,580	245,417	-1,505	-458*	4,557	-53,813	5,790	-1,186	1,28,106	-27,547
(b) Gold	41,110	8,485	—	—	986	-1,554	—	—	8,291	157
(c) SDRs	13	3	—	—	-61	-15	—	—	—	—
(d) Reserve Position in the IMF**	4,178	854	-109	-23	2,434	418	-70	-23	2,475	420

* : 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.