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SUMMARY ECONOMIC INDICATORS



Governor's Foreword

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- Gross Domestic Product
- Prices
- Commodities
- Interest Rates
- Monetary and Banking Aggregates
- The Real Estate Market & Indicators of Construction Activity
- Retail Sales
- The Foreign Exchange Market
- The Insurance Sector
- Capital Markets
- Payments Systems
- The Balance of Payments

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Summary of Economic Developments

Gross Domestic Product

- Growth in the **Trinidad and Tobago** economy stagnated in the first quarter of 2014 (0.0 per cent year-on-year) following a 2.7 per cent growth in the fourth quarter of 2013.
- Activity in the **energy sector** declined by 2.9 per cent in the first quarter of 2014, compared to a 2.4 per cent growth in the previous quarter.
- Growth in the **non-energy sector** stood at 2.0 per cent in the first quarter of 2014, with **construction** and **agriculture** growing by 3.2 and 2.1 per cent respectively.
- On a quarter-on-quarter basis the **United States** economy declined by 0.5 per cent in the first quarter of 2014.
- The United Kingdom grew by 0.8 per cent on a quarter-on-quarter basis in the first quarter of 2014. Growth in the Euro Area stood at 0.2 per cent, while Japan grew by 1.6 per cent in the first quarter of 2014.
- Among the BRICS economies, China continues to record slower levels of economic activity with a year-on-year growth rate of 7.4 percent for the first quarter of 2014. For the same period, India registered a growth of 4.6 per cent and Brazil stood at 1.9 per cent.
- In the Caribbean Region, the **Barbados** economy declined by 0.7 per cent in the first quarter of 2014, while **Jamaica** grew by 1.6 per cent on a year-on-year basis first quarter of 2014.

Domestic Prices

- **Headline inflation**, measured on a year-on-year basis, increased to 7.4 per cent in August 2014 from 5.1 per cent the same period last year.
- **Core inflation**, which excludes the impact of food prices, stood at 1.4 per cent in August 2014.
- **Producer prices** stood at 1.5 per cent on a yearon-year basis in the second quarter of 2014, unchanged from the comparative period last year.

Commodities

Prices

- The average price of crude petroleum (WTI) for June 2014 stood at US\$105.2 per barrel, 9.8 per cent higher than the price recorded for the same period last year. Over the twelve month period to June 2014, prices peaked in September 2013 at US\$110.5 per barrel.
- **Natural gas** prices as measured by the Henry Hub spot price, averaged US\$4.6 per mmbtu in June 2014, 19.7 per cent higher than the price recorded in June 2013.
- The **Energy Commodity Price Index** expanded by 7.6 per cent year-on-year to 144.5 in June 2014, after peaking at 152.0 in February 2014.

Production

- **Crude oil production** for the first five months of 2014 totaled 12,038 thousand barrels, a 2.1 per cent decline when compared to the corresponding period a year earlier.
- For the same period, **natural gas** production amounted to 17,573 million cubic meters, a 3.4 per cent decline from the comparative period in 2013.

Interest Rates

- The **repo rate** has remained at 2.75 per cent since September 2012 when it was reduced by 25 basis points. As such, the **basic prime lending rate** also remains unchanged at 7.50 per cent.
- The **3-month Treasury bill rate** stood at 0.12 per cent at the end of June 2014, compared to 0.15 per cent in June 2013.

Monetary Aggregates

 Commercial bank credit to the private sector expanded by 7.3 per cent on a year-on-year basis to May 2014. This expansion resulted from growth in all components; consumer credit (6.4 per cent), real estate mortgage loans (10.8 per cent), and business credit (5.8 per cent).

Real Estate Market and Indicators of Construction Activity

 At the end of the second quarter of 2014, the price of cement stood at \$58.2 per bag, representing a growth of 0.2 per cent from the previous year. Also increasing over this period were prices of gravel and concrete blocks.

Retail Sales

 New motor vehicle sales increased by 10.9 per cent for the period January to June 2014 when compared to the same period in 2013. This was driven by the growth in both passenger cars (10.9 per cent) and commercial vehicles (11.0 per cent).

Mutual Funds

• The value of mutual funds under management grew by 3.1 per cent in the twelve months to June 2014. **Income funds** declined by 0.9 per cent while **equity funds** grew by 23.7 per cent.

Equity Markets

- The Trinidad and Tobago Composite Stock Price Index expanded by 3.5 per cent on a yearon-year basis to June 2014.
- The major international stock indices increased on a year-on-year basis to June 2014; Dow Jones by 12.9 per cent, S&P 500 by 22.0 per cent, FTSE by 8.5 per cent, NIKKEI by 10.9 per cent and NASDAQ by 29.5 per cent.

Labour Force

 The latest data from the Central Statistical Office shows an increase in the unemployment rate to 3.8 per cent for the fourth quarter of 2013, from 3.7 per cent in the previous quarter. Over this period, labour force participation increased from 61.1 per cent to 61.6 per cent.

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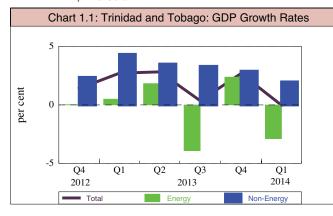
Real GDP Growth Rates

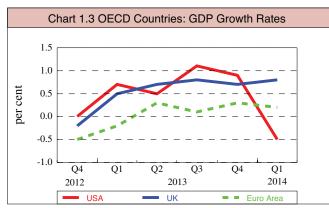
	Year-on-Year Per cent Change					
1. REAL GDP	QI-14	QIV-13	QIII-13	QII-13	QI-13	QIV-12
TRINIDAD & TOBAGO Total. Energy GDP. Petrochemicals Other Petroleum Non Energy GDP. Construction Manufacturing Distribution Agriculture	-0.0 -2.9 2.9 -3.6 2.0 3.2 0.4 1.7 2.1	2.7 2.4 15.5 0.9 2.9 2.5 1.8 4.6 -3.6	0.3 -3.9 -8.0 -3.4 3.3 3.0 0.4 4.6 1.9	2.8 1.8 -9.3 3.5 3.5 5.1 4.8 2.0	2.7 0.5 -2.6 0.9 4.3 3.0 3.4 5.7 3.5	1.4 0.0 -7.5 0.9 2.3 2.3 0.7 0.5 1.9
BRICS Brazil	1.9 4.6 7.4	1.9 4.6 7.7	2.2 5.2 7.8	3.3 4.7 7.5	1.8 4.4 7.7	1.8 4.6 7.9
CARIBBEAN BarbadosJamaica	-0.7 1.6	-1.3 1.8 Quart	2.3 0.5 er-on-Quai	0.8 -0.3 ter Per cei	-0.5 -1.2	-0.1 -1.2
OECD United States	-0.5 0.8 0.2 1.6	0.9 0.7 0.3 0.1	1.1 0.8 0.1 0.3	0.5 0.7 0.3 0.7	0.7 0.5 -0.2 1.3	0.0 -0.2 -0.5 0.0

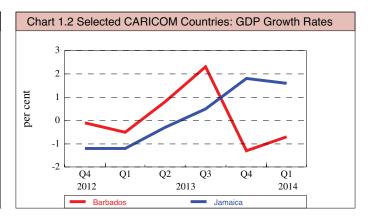
Source: Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago, Central Bank of Barbados, Statistical Institute of Jamaica, Bloomberg and International Monetary Fund. NA - Not Available.

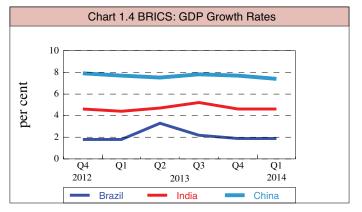
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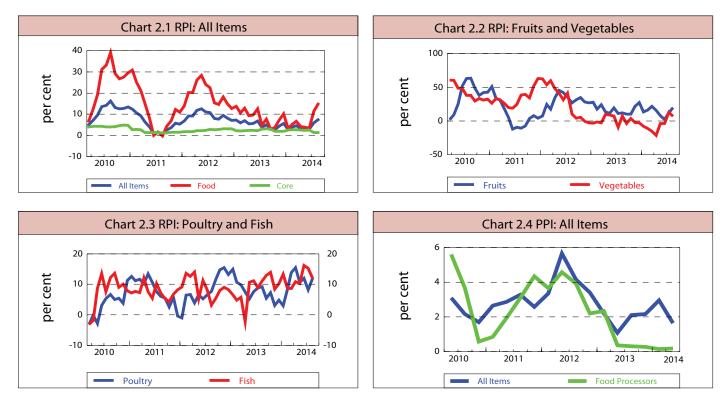
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			Per c	Per cent Change From		
2. INDEX OF RETAIL PRICES (2003 = 100)	Latest Period	Latest Value	Previous Month	Previous 3 months	Previous Year	
All Items (Headline)	Aug-14	225.6	1.5	2.4	7.4	
Food	Aug-14	603.8	3.1	4.6	14.8	
Bread & Cereals	Aug-14	205.4	-0.2	-0.1	1.2	
Vegetables	Aug-14	2,234.6	3.7	6.7	20.1	
Meat	Aug-14	254.6	3.0	5.2	9.4	
Milk, Cheese & Eggs	Aug-14	206.0	0.1	3.7	5.8	
Fruits	Aug-14	1,197.2	1.0	-7.4	6.7	
Core	Aug-14	142.6	0.0	0.5	1.4	
Transport	Aug-14	153.9	0.0	1.5	2.3	
Housing	Aug-14	131.3	0.0	0.0	0.5	
Health	Aug-14	169.2	0.2	0.5	2.3	
Education	Aug-14	202.2	0.0	0.0	7.6	
Hotels, Cafes & Restaurants	Aug-14	196.8	0.0	-0.4	3.6	
			Per	cent Change	From	
3. INDEX OF PRODUCER PRICES (1978 = 100)	Latest Period	Latest Value	Previous Quarter	Previous 6 months	Previous Year	
All Industry Index	Oll-14	573.4	0.1	1.6	1.6	
Food processors	OII-14	709.4	0.0	0.0	0.2	
Meat, Poultry & Fish Processors	QII-14	440.3	0.0	0.0	4.2	
Flour Mills	OII-14	1,198.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Textile, Garments & Footware	OII-14	303.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Wood Products	OII-14	348.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	
Printing, Publishing & Paper Convertors	QII-14	392.8	0.5	0.5	0.2	
Chemical & Non Metallic Products	QII-14	612.4	0.1	0.5	0.5	
	QII-14					
Cement	QII-14 QII-14	2,148.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Cement	-		0.0 1.0	0.0 0.1	0.0 0.1	

Source: Central Statistical Office.

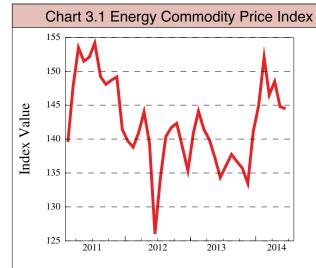
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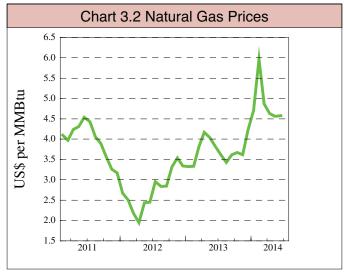


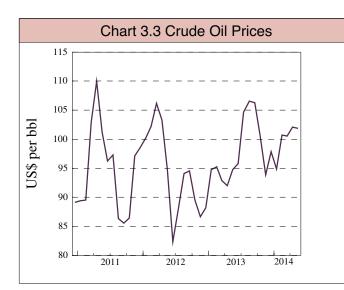
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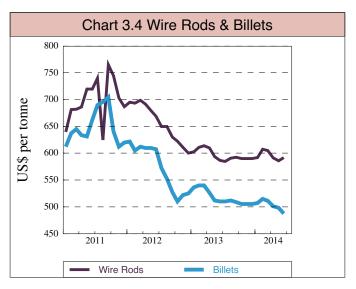
			Pea	ak**	Commodities
4. COMMODITIES	Latest Period	Value*	Month	Value	Year-on-Year Per cent Change
PRICES Crude Oil (WTI)- US\$/bbl Natural Gas (Henry Hub) - US\$/MMBtu Ammonia - US\$/tonne Urea - US\$/tonne Methanol - US\$/tonne Billets - US\$/tonne Gold - US\$/tonne Wheat - US cents/bushel Corn - US cents/bushel	Jun-14 Jun-14 Jun-14 Jun-14 Jun-14 Jun-14 Jun-14 Jun-14 Jun-14 Jun-14	105.2 4.6 491.0 342.5 561.0 487.5 592.1 1,277.9 602.1 445.6	Sep-13 Mar-14 Apr-14 Mar-14 Mar-14 Mar-14 Aug-13 May-14 Jul-13	110.5 7.9 535.0 393.0 620.5 515.0 610.0 1,425.5 747.5 548.0	9.8 19.7 -8.2 4.9 8.3 -4.4 1.0 -4.8 -13.5 -18.5
Energy Commodity Price Index (2007=100) Jun-14	144.5	Feb-14	152.0	7.6
DOMESTIC PRODUCTIONCrude Oil ('000s bbls)Natural Gas (millions cu m)Liquefied Natural Gas ('000s cu m)Ammonia ('000s tonnes)Urea ('000s tonnes)Methanol ('000s tonnes)	Jan-May-14 Jan-May-14 Jan-May-14 Jan-May-14 Jan-May-14 Jan-May-14	12,038 17,573 13,202 2,066 257 2,406		- - - -	-2.1 -3.4 -6.3 2.7 10.1 3.0

Source: Bloomberg, Middle East Economic Survey, Markets Fertilizer Week, Green Markets, Methanol Newsletter and Metal Bulletin. "Average price for the month. ""Peak price during the last 12 months.









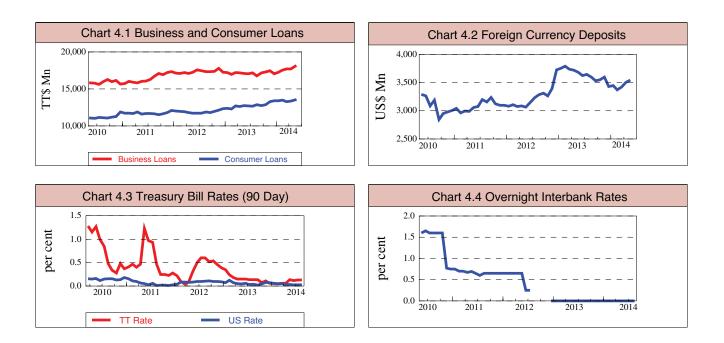
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Summary Economic Indicators

Monetary & Banking Aggregates

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5. INTEREST RATES (%)	Latest <u>Perio</u> d	Latest <u>Value</u>	Previous Month	Previous 3 <u>Mont</u> hs	Previous <u>Year</u>
Repo Rate	Jun-14 Jun-14 Jun-14 Jun-14 Jun-14 May-14	2.75 0.25 0.12 0.09 7.50 9.23	2.75 0.25 0.14 0.11 7.50 10.53	2.75 0.25 0.06 0.01 7.50 8.94	2.75 0.25 0.15 0.09 7.50 9.11
			Per ce	ent Change	From
6. MONETARY & BANKING AGGREGATES (TT\$Mn)	Latest <u>Peri</u> od	Latest <u>Value</u>		Previous 6 <u>Mont</u> hs	Previous Year
Currency in Active Circulation Demand Deposits	May-14 May-14 May-14 May-14 May-14 May-14 May-14 May-14 May-14 May-14 May-14	6,247.3 38,020.0 28,700.4 9,181.8 22,320.1 499.3 34,359.4 44,267.3 82,149.5 104,469.5 84,001.9 106,821.0	1.2 6.5 2.4 -2.6 5.1 -16.4 6.0 5.7 3.5 3.9 3.7 3.9	4.6 9.3 4.7 -4.3 -1.5 -15.0 5.7 8.6 5.6 4.0 5.7 4.0	12.5 30.5 10.0 -16.3 -3.8 7.6 15.3 27.6 14.5 10.0 14.9 10.4
Commercial Banks: Credit to Private Sector Business Loans Consumer Loans Real Estate Mortgage Loans	May-14 May-14 May-14 May-14	46,768.0 17,737.0 13,150.1 15,279.4	1.9 3.1 0.3 2.1	3.5 3.5 1.9 5.3	7.3 5.8 6.4 10.8

Source: Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago and US Treasury.



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Real Estate Market and Indicators of Construction Activity

			Per o Change	
7. REAL ESTATE & CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS	Latest Period	Latest Value	Previous Quarter	Previous Year
CONSTRUCTION MATERIAL PRICES (TT	\$)			
Cement (price/bag)	QII-14	58.2	0.3	0.2
Gravel (price/12cu yrds)	QII-14	2,723.2	7.0	7.6
Plastering Sand (price/8cu yrds)	QII-14	1,238.1	0.8	-1.6
Concrete Blocks (price/block)	011.4.4	6 F	-1.2	0.2
100mm (4'x8'x16')	QII-14	6.5 8.2	-1.2	0.3 3.7
150mm (6'x8'x16')	QII-14	0.2	0.5	3.7
1/4'	QII-14	10.9	0.0	0.6
1/2'	QII-14	41.3	0.0	-2.5
REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE LOANS (TT\$	/	700 4		04 5
Real Estate Mortgage Loans Approved	Mar-14	769.1	-22.6	-21.5
Real Estate Mortgage Loans Disbursed	Mar-14	1,037.6	15.3	15.4
Real Estate Mortgage Loans Outstanding	Mar-14	15,058.0	2.7	11.8
Median Property Prices (TT\$000s) .	Jan-Jun-14	1,250.00	_	13.6

Source: Central Statistical Office and Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago.

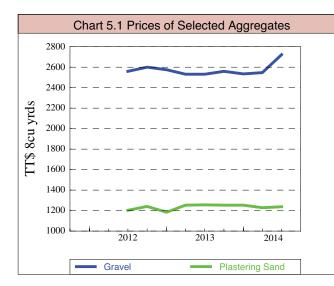
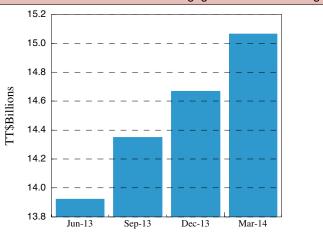






Chart 5.4 Commercial Bank Mortgage Loans Outstanding



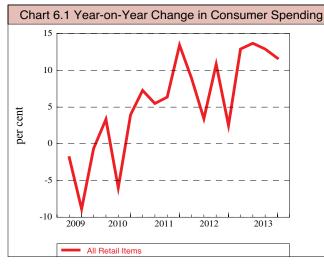
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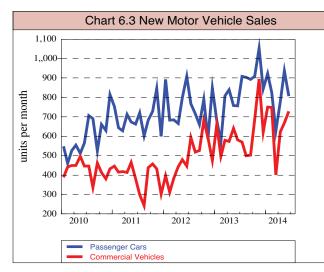
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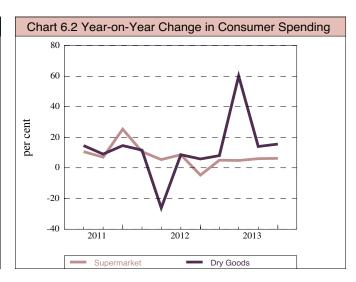
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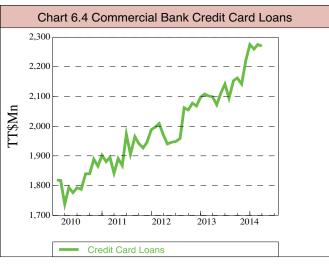
8. RETAIL SALES	Latest Period	Latest Value	Previous	ent Change Previous 6 months	
INDEX OF RETAIL SALES (2000 = 100) All Sections	QIV-13 QIV-13 QIV-13 QIV-13 QIV-13 QIV-13 QIV-13 QIV-13 QIV-13	345.4 1,079.7 320.8 219.5 443.6 86.9 379.8 167.4 200.8	16.3 31.3 20.1 1.8 117.1 -4.7 0.8 1.1 -20.3	33.2 48.5 24.1 18.9 152.2 21.0 24.0 0.7 12.7	11.6 15.5 6.2 5.1 -1.1 -8.0 35.3 -4.3 12.5
MOTOR VEHICLE SALES New Motor Vehicle Sales Passenger Cars Commercial Vehicles	Jan-Jun-14 Jan-Jun-14 Jan-Jun-14	8,813 4,895 3,918		_ _ _	10.9 10.9 11.0
Value Outstanding (TT\$Mn) Number of Accounts	Mar-14 Mar-14	2,270 294,572	-0.2 -1.4	5.0 -3.2	8.1 0.1

Source: Central Statistical Office and Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago.









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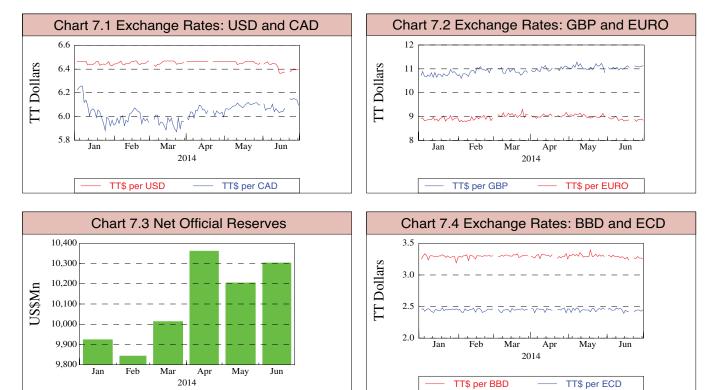
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Balance of Payments & Foreign Exchange Market

9. BALANCE OF PAYMENTS	Latest Period	Latest Value	Previous	ent Change Previous 6 months	
US\$Mn Current Account Surplus(+)/Deficit(-) of which: Exports (est.) Imports (est.) Capital Account Surplus(+)/Deficit(-) Overall Surplus(+)/Deficit(-)	QI-14 QI-14 QI-14 QI-14 QI-14	-150.4 2,659.2 2,472.7 176.6 26.2	-85.4 2.2 -16.8 -88.9 -95.3	-106.9 -37.3 45.9 -108.3 -17.6	-7.4 2.1
Net Official Reserves	Jun-14	10,304.0	2.9	3.2	9.7
COMPETITIVENESS INDICATORS Real Effective Exchange Rate (2000=100) Unit Labour Cost (1995=100) Terms of Trade (TOT) (1995=100) .	Jun-14 QI-14 QII-11	162.6 14.4 102.3	1.1 2.1 -3.2	1.0 9.1 7.2	0.4 -14.3 1.5

Source: Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago; For the REER and the ULC, +ve changes reflect a loss of competitiveness whereas for the TOT they represent a gain in competitiveness.

10. FOREIGN EXCHANGE MARKET	Latest Period	Latest Value		ent Change Previous 6 months	
USD Buying Rate	30/Jun/14	6.3694	-0.97	0.25	-0.6
USD Selling Rate	30/Jun/14	6.3933	-1.10	-0.68	-0.8
CAD Buying Rate	30/Jun/14	5.8450	1.09	1.03	-1.8
CAD Selling Rate	30/Jun/14	6.0968	-0.14	1.52	-3.3
GBP Buying Rate	30/Jun/14	10.7766	2.19	5.54	13.3
GBP Selling Rate	30/Jun/14	11.1318	0.51	4.61	12.5
Euro Buying Rate	30/Jun/14	8.4647	-1.15	0.66	4.9
Euro Selling Rate	30/Jun/14	8.8524	-0.90	-1.32	3.0
Commercial Banks': (year-to-date)					
Purchases of Foreign Currency (US\$Mn)	Jan-Jun/14	2,694.7	_	_	5.4
Sale of Foreign Currency (US\$Mn) .	Jan-Jun/14	3,044.7	_	_	-0.0
Net Purchase from Central Bank (US\$Mn)	Jan-Jun/14	625.1	_	_	13.8



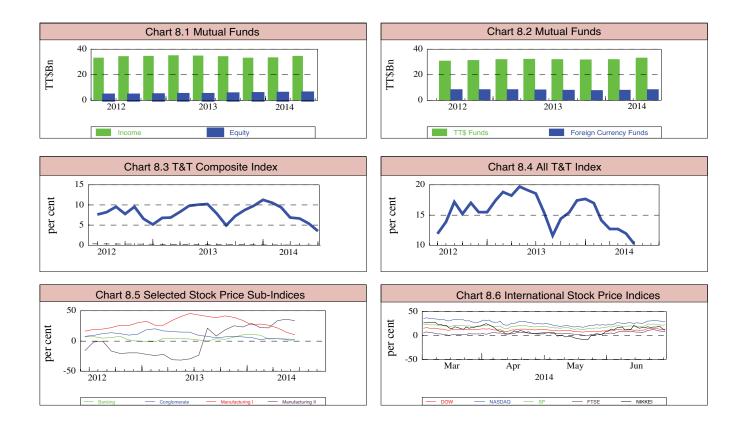
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Capital Market

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11. MUTUAL FUNDS	Latest	Latest		Previous	
Aggregate Fund Values (TT\$Mn)	Period	Value	Quarter	6 months	Year
Income Funds	Jun-14	34,576.9	3.4	4.1	-0.9
Equity Funds	Jun-14	5,873.7	4.9	11.0	23.7
TT\$ Funds	Jun-14	33,143.7	3.6	4.9	3.1
Foreign Currency Funds	Jun-14	8,474.3	5.5	9.0	3.1
Aggregate Fund Value	Jun-14	41,618.0	4.0	5.7	3.1
			Per ce	ent Change	From
	Latest	Latest	Previous	Previous	Previous
12. STOCK INDICES	Period	Value	Month	3 months	Year
T&T Composite Index	30-Jun-14	1,166.6	-1.3	-0.4	3.5
All T&T Index	30-Jun-14	2,012.9	-0.8	1.3	10.3
Banking Sub-Index	30-Jun-14	796.3	-2.6	-2.9	-0.1
Conglomerate Sub-Index	30-Jun-14	2,882.1	0.2	1.1	3.2
Manufacturing I Sub-Index	30-Jun-14	2,748.6	0.4	4.3	10.4
Manufacturing II Sub-Index	30-Jun-14	275.2	-1.8	-5.9	33.8
NASDAQ	30-Jun-14	4,408.0	3.9	6.8	29.5
Dow Jones	30-Jun-14	16,827.0	0.7	2.5	12.9
S&P 500	30-Jun-14	1,960.0	1.9	5.1	22.0
FTSE	30-Jun-14	6,744.0	-1.5	0.7	8.5
NIKKEI	30-Jun-14	15,162.0	3.6	0.7	10.9

Source: Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago, Trinidad & Tobago Stock Exchange and Bloomberg.



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13. NUMBER OF CARDS IN USE AND NUMBER OF MACHINES	Latest Period	Latest Value	Previous 3 Months	Previous 6 Months	Previous Year
Credit Cards	Jan-May-14	207,415	1.3	2.5	6.4
Locally Branded	Jan-May-14	614,473	-1.4	-1.1	4.3
Internationally Branded Pre-Paid Gift Cards	Jan-May-14	3,852	-1.3	3.5	19.4
Locally Branded	Jan-May-14	43,642	9.8	12.0	15.1
Internationally Branded	Jan-May-14	3,739	3.7	27.8	127.9
ATMs	Jan-May-14	433	1.4	4.2	12.2
POSs	Jan-May-14	18,715	1.7	3.1	6.9

*Note: Number of Cards in Use represenets the average number for the period

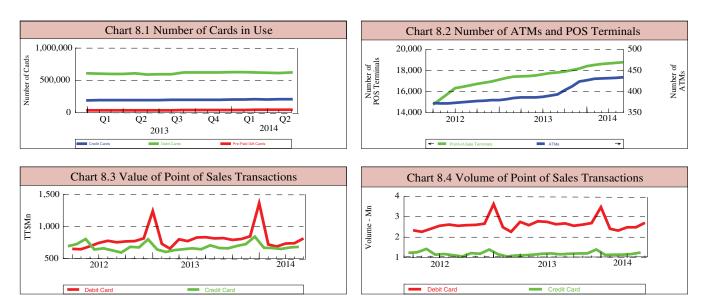
14. CREDIT AND DEBIT CARD TRANSACTIONS (Provisional)

Point of Sale Transactions - Millions Debit Card: Volume	Jan-May-14 Jan-May-14	12.4 3,703.9 5.9			-3.6 -2.2 4.8
Credit Card: Volume Credit Card: Value (TT\$) ATM Transactions - Millions	Jan-May-14 Jan-May-14	3,344.6	_	_	4.8 5.1
Debit Card: Volume	Jan-May-14 Jan-May-14	13.8 8,740.0	_		-0.7 7.1
Credit Card: Volume	Jan-May-14 Jan-May-14	0.8 594.4	_	_	4.5 5.8

15. RTGS AND ACH TRANSACTIONS

ACH & RTGS Transactions					
ACH: Volume	Jan-Jun-14	1,883,936.0	_	_	8.3
ACH: Value (Million TT\$)	Jan-Jun-14	10,777.4	_	_	18.8
RTGS: Volume	Jan-Jun-14	29,544.0	_	_	8.6
RTGS: Value (Million TT\$)	Jan-Jun-14	258,547.7	_	_	1.0

Source: Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago, Trinidad & Tobago Stock Exchange and Bloomberg.

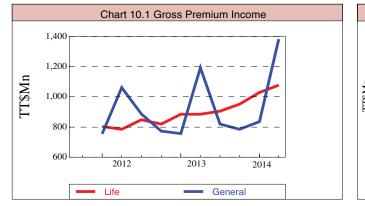


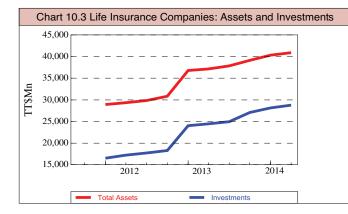
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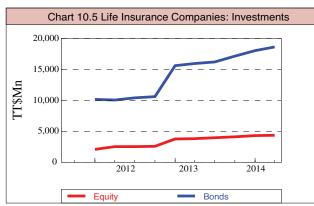
Insurance Industry

			Per cent Change From			
16. INSURANCE	Latest	Latest		Previous	Previous	
(TT\$Mn)	Period	Value		6 months	Year	
LIFE INSURANCE	Mar-14	37,371.3	1.7	2.8	10.4	
Policy Holder Liabilities	Mar-14	6,739.2	1.0	0.9	6.0	
Life and Health	Mar-14	30,632.1	1.8	3.2	11.5	
GENERAL INSURANCE Policy Holder Liabilities Motor Vehicle	Mar-14 Mar-14 Mar-14 Mar-14	2,073.2 1,385.5 192.7 495.0	-1.7 2.5 -19.8 -4.4	-0.7 5.6 -15.1 -9.9	-2.0 5.0 -16.3 -12.5	

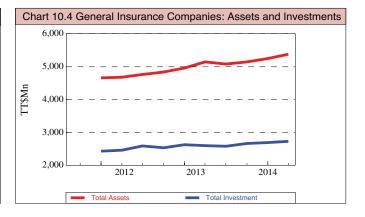
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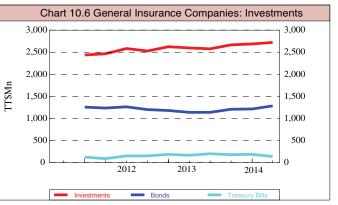












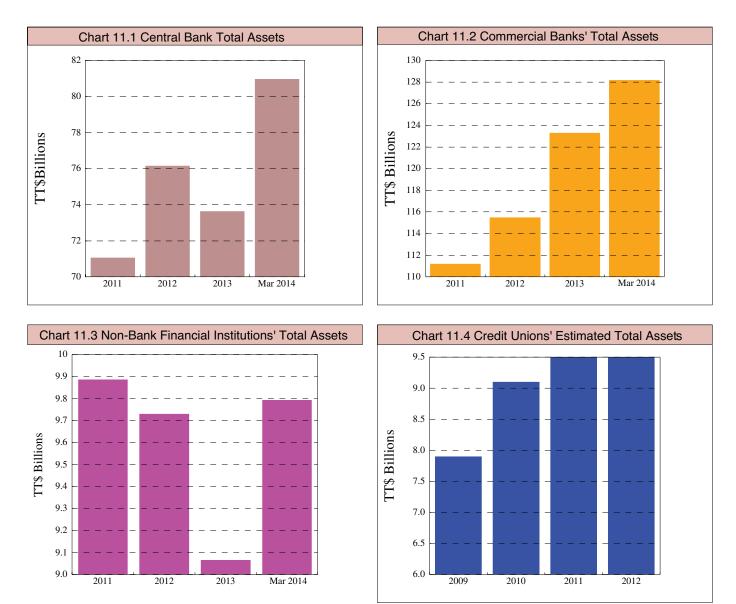
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Financial System Assets

17. FINANCIAL SYSTEM TOTAL ASSETS (TT\$Bn)	Latest Period	Latest Value	Per cent Change From Previous Period
Central Bank Commercial Banks Non-Bank Financial Institutions Life Insurance Credit Unions (est.) Development Banks Home Mortgage Bank Deposit Insurance Corporation National Insurance Board Unit Trust Corporation	Mar-14 Mar-14 Mar-14 Dec-12 Mar-14 Mar-14 Mar-14 Mar-14 Mar-14	81.0 128.0 9.8 40.9 9.8 4.4 2.0 2.3 26.7 21.6	10.0 4.0 8.0 10.1 3.2 2.3 5.3 9.5 13.6 -5.3

Source: Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago.



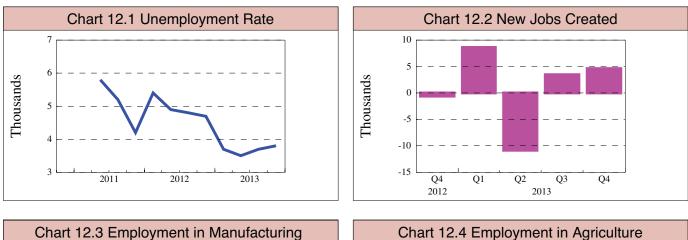
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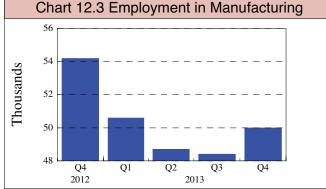
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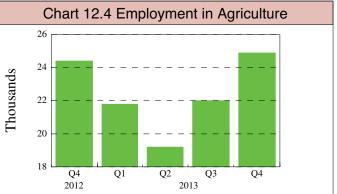
Labour Market

			Per c	ent Change	From
18. LABOUR FORCE ('000s of persons)	Latest <u>Peri</u> od	Latest <u>Value</u>	Previous Q <u>uarte</u> r	Previous 6 <u>mont</u> hs	Previous <u>Year</u>
Non-Institutional Population	QIV-13	1,061.0	0.1	0.2	0.4
Labour Force	QIV-13	653.5	0.8	1.6	0.0
Employment (000s)	QIV-13	628.8	0.7	1.3	0.9
Petroleum	QIV-13	20.6	-17.6	-2.4	9.6
Manufacturing	QIV-13	50.0	3.3	2.7	-7.7
Agriculture	QIV-13	24.9	13.2	29.7	2.0
Construction	QIV-13	103.2	-0.4	-6.5	-3.8
Services	QIV-13	427.2	1.4	2.2	2.5
				Value as at	
19. UNEMPLOYMENT AND PARTICIPATION RATE (per cent)	Latest <u>Peri</u> od	Latest <u>Value</u>	Q <u>III-1</u> 3	<u>QII-13</u>	<u>QI-13</u>
Unemployment Rate	QIV-13	3.8	3.7	3.5	4.7
Participation Rate	QIV-13	61.6	61.1	60.7	61.8

Source: Central Statistical Office.





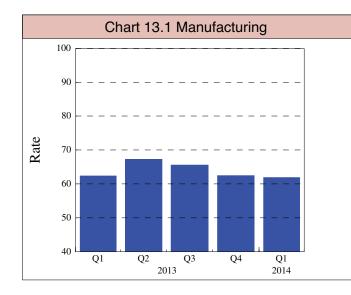


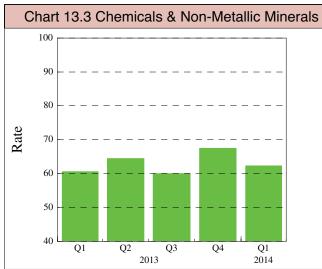
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Manufacturing Capacity Utilization

	Capacity Utilization Rate					
20. CAPACITY UTILIZATION	QI-14 [°]	Q <u>IV-1</u> 3 [°]	Q <u>III-1</u> 3 [°]	Q <u>III-13</u> °	۲ <u>QI-13</u> °	ear-on-Year Per cent C <u>han</u> ge
Manufacturing	61.9	62.5	65.6	67.3	62.3	-0.7
Food, Drink & Tobacco	63.3	61.7	72.8	74.5	67.7	-6.5
Chemicals and Non-Metallic Minerals	62.3	67.5	60.0	64.4	60.6	2.9
Assembly Type & Related Industries	54.0	54.2	56.8	54.0	55.8	-3.1

Source: Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago.





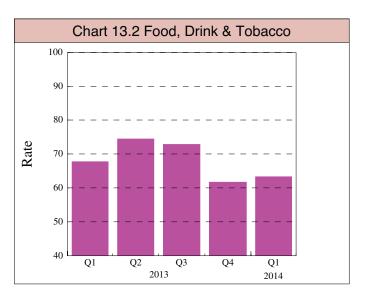
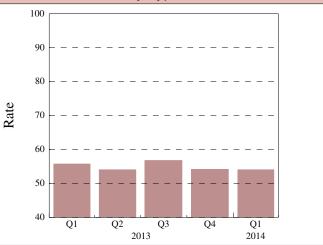


Chart 13.4 Assembly Type & Related Industries



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Summary Economic Indicators

APPENDIX TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO: MAJOR ECONOMIC INDICATORS

		2000	2000	2010	2011	2012	2012
•	REAL SECTOR	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013 ^p
A		175 207 2	101 001 0	124 125 2	156 440 4	159.045.0	175 609 5
2	GDP at current market prices (TT\$Mn) GDP at current market prices (US\$Mn)	175,287.2 28,017.9	121,281.3 19,252.0	134,125.2 21,128.7	156,449.4 24,447.1	158,045.0 24,681.9	175,608.5 27,387.3
2	Real GDP Growth (%)	28,017.9	-3.4	-0.3	-1.2	0.3	27,387.3
4	GDP per capita (US\$)	21,410.8	-5.4 14,695.0	16,034.4	18,394.9	18,485.6	2.1 20,429.8
5	Inflation (%) (period average)	12.0	7.0	10,034.4	5.1	9.3	20,429.8 5.2
6	Inflation (%) (end-of-period)	12.0	1.3	13.4	5.3	7.2	5.6
7	Unemployment Rate (%)	4.6	5.3	5.9	4.9	5.0	3.7
В	COMMODITY PRICES	1.0	5.5	5.5		5.0	5.,
1	Petroleum (WTI \$US/bbl)	99.6	61.7	79.4	95.1	94.2	97.9
2	Natural Gas (Nymex Henry Hub \$US/mmbtu)	8.9	3.9	4.4	4.0	2.8	3.7
2	Ammonia (\$US/tonne)	545.1	227.6	4.4 362.7	534.2	559.9	506.3
4	Urea (\$US/tonne)	564.0	227.0	302.7	435.8	476.4	347.3
5	Methanol (\$US/tonne)	504.3	205.4	338.3	430.0	429.7	517.3
		501.5	211.0		150.0	127.7	517.5
C	EXTERNAL SECTOR						
1	Exports (US\$Mn)	18,647	9,221	11,239	14,944	12,983e	12,770 ^e
2	Imports (US\$Mn)	9,577	6,980	6,504	9,511	9,065e	8,871°
3	Balance of Payments - Current a/c balance/GDP (%)	23.8	8.5	19.7	11.9	3.8e	7.8 ^e
4	Balance of Payments - Overall balance/GDP (%)	7.1	-3.7	2.0	3.1	-2.5	2.9
5	Private Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) (US \$Mn)	2,100.8	709.1	549.4	770.6	772.1	1,140.2
6	FDI/GDP (%)	3.8	3.7	2.7	3.3	3.2	4.2
7	Gross Official Reserves (GOR) (Net HSF) (US \$Mn)	9,364.2	8,651.6	9,070.0	9,822.7	9,200.7	9,987.0
8	GOR in months of Imports of goods and services	9.4	11.9	13.1	13.5	10.4	12.0
9 10	GOR/External Debt (%)	616.8	608.4 11,390.9	580.9	599.5	494.5	590.0 13,074
	Gross International Reserves (Net HSF) (US \$Mn)	11,583.8	11,390.9	11,258.7	12,313.6	12,251.4	13,074
D	SOVEREIGN CREDIT RATINGS~						
1	Standard and Poor's	A	A	А	A	A	А
2	Moody's	Baa1	Baa2	Baa1	Baa1	Baa1	Baa1
Е	DIVERSIFICATION						
11	Petroleum sector/GDP (%)	50.8	34.6	42.0	45.6	41.2	43.4
	of which Petrochemicals/GDP (%)	6.8	6.8	7.2	8.1	8.0	7.3
2	Non-petroleum Sector/GDP (%)	48.7	65.7	57.9	55.0	58.1	55.8
F	FISCAL (Fiscal Year)						
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1	Government Revenues (TT\$Mn)	56,848	39,045	43,863	47,501	49,278	52,760
2	Government Expenditures (TT\$Mn)	44,715	45,731	43,675	48,603	51,475	57,669
3	Overall Fiscal Balance (-/+) (TT\$Mn)	12,133	-6,686	188	-1,102	-2,197	-4,908
4	Overall Fiscal Balance/GDP (%) Non-Energy Fiscal Balance/GDP (%)	7.3	-5.0	0.1	-0.8	-1.4	-2.9
5 6	Revenue/GDP (%)	-12.3 34.3	-19.3	-17.5	-19.5	-18.9 32.3	-18.4 30.8
0 7	Expenditure/GDP (%)	27.0	29.0 33.9	34.1 33.9	32.6 33.4	32.3 33.7	30.8 33.7
8	Income Tax/GDP (%)	27.0	55.9 17.8	22.1	22.8	21.7	55.7 18.7
0 9	of which: Companies/GDP (%)	23.0	17.0	18.7	19.4	16.0	8.6
10	Individual/GDP (%)	22.4	3.2	3.5	3.4	3.6	3.6
11	Value Added Tax (VAT)/GDP (%)	3.9	3.8	4.7	3.4	4.1	3.9
``			5.0	7.7	5.7		5.7

Sources: Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago, Central Statistical Office, Ministry of Finance and the Economy and Bloomberg.

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 $^{\rm A}$ Data for 2008-2013 are sourced from the Review of the Economy.

* First quarter of 2013.

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		2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013 ^p
G	DEBT (Fiscal Year)						
1	Total Public Sector Debt (TT\$Mn)	60,412	65,980	70,680	73,425	88,288	92,497
2	Total Internal Debt (including contingent debt) (TT\$Mn)	51,122	56,251	61,743	63,962	77,705	83,299
3	Total Internal Debt (including contingent debt)/GDP (%)	30.9	41.7	47.2	42.4	49.3	48.7
4	Central Government External Debt (US\$Mn)	1,518.1	1,422.0	1,561.4	1,638.5	1,860.6	1,692.7
5	Central Government External Debt/GDP (%)	5.6	7.2	6.8	6.3	6.7	5.4
6	Central Government External Debt Service/Exports of GNFS (%)	0.9	3.7	1.1	0.8	0.9	0.9
н	MONETARY						
1	Private Sector Credit (Financial System) (TT\$Mn)1	48,272	46,492	45,452	47,136	48,100	49,757
2	Private Sector Credit (Financial System)/GDP (%)	27.5	38.3	34.6	31.3	31.3	28.3
3	Base Money (TT\$Mn)	14,039	18,408	20,423	25,768	27,540	32,144.8
4	Currency in Active Circulation (TT\$Mn)	3,434	3,850	4,242	4,690	5,395	6,050
5	Reserves of Commercial Banks (TT\$Mn)	10,605	14,559	16,181	21,078	22,145	26,095
6	Reserve Requirement Ratio (%)						
	Banks (%)	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00
	Non-Banks (%)	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
7	Central Bank Re-discount Rate (%) (end of period)	10.75	7.25	5.75	5.00	4.75	4.75
8	Central Bank 'Repo' Rate (%) (end of period)	8.75	5.25	3.75	3.00	2.75	2.75
9	Exchange Rates:(TT\$/US\$)						
	End of Period	6.2729	6.3574	6.3765	6.4093	6.3814	6.4385
	Period Average	6.2563	6.2997	6.3480	6.3995	6.4033	6.4156
	BANKING SOUNDNESS						
1	Number of Banks	8	8	8	8	8	8
2	Number of Branches	120	134	133	133	135	134
3	Number of Non-Banks	17	18	18	18	17	17
4	Number of Non-Bank Branches	31	37	33	34	35	38
5	Capital to Risk-Adjusted Assets (%)	18.8	20.5	24.2	25.1	24.6	23.1
6	Non-Performing Loans/Total loans (%)	2.5	5.0	6.2	6.3	5.4	4.2
7	Loan Loss Provision/Total loans (%)	1.0	2.7	2.4	2.2	2.7	2.2
8	After Tax Profits/Average Total Assets (%)	2.7	2.2	2.0	1.9	2.2	1.7
9	After Tax Trofits/Capital (%)	20.6	16.1	14.5	13.9	15.6	11.9
J	CAPITAL MARKET DEVELOPMENT						
1	Listed Companies	34	32	31	31	28	29
2	Market Capitalisation (TT\$Bn)	76	71	78	94	97	114
3	Market Capitalisation/GDP (%)	44.0	58.0	59.0	63.0	63.0	64.9
4	Composite Stock Price Index (1993=100)	842.9	765.3	835.6	1,012.9	1,065.0	1,185.1
5	Government Bonds Issued (TT\$Mn)	1,200	2,749	4,494	1,500	2,500	3,059*
6	Mutual Funds: Aggregate Fund Values (TT\$Mn)	36,155	35,510	35,649	36,803	39,741	39,378
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Sources: Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago, Ministry of Finance and the Economy and the Trinidad and Tobago Stock Exchange. p Provisional.

1 The Financial System consists of Commercial Banks, Trust and Mortgage Finance Companies and Finance Houses and Merchant Banks.

* This total excludes the US\$550 million issued in December 2013.

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GDP GROWTH

Gross Domestic Product (GDP) – This is an aggregate measure of production equal to the sum of gross value added of all resident institutional units engaged in production. It is the sum of final uses of goods and services measured in purchasers' prices, less the value of imports of goods and services, or the sum of primary incomes distributed by resident producer units.

Real GDP – Real GDP represents GDP adjusted for price movements.

Energy Sector – The energy sector in Trinidad and Tobago comprises the Petroleum, Natural Gas and Petrochemical (Methanol, Urea and Ammonia) Sectors.

Energy GDP – The energy sector's contribution to Gross Domestic Product.

Non-Energy GDP – The non-energy sector's contribution to GDP, namely that of manufacturing, agriculture, construction, distribution and other services.

INDEX OF RETAIL PRICES

Index of Retail Prices – An index of consumer prices which measures changes in the prices of goods and services bought for household consumption.

Headline Inflation – A measure of change in the overall Index of Retail Prices.

Core Inflation – The component of measured inflation that has no medium to long-run impact on real output. In Trinidad and Tobago, this measure excludes food prices.

INDEX OF PRODUCER PRICES

Index of Producers Prices – This index measures average changes in prices received by domestic producers for their output.

INTEREST RATES

Overnight Interbank Rate – The interest rate charged on overnight loans between commercial banks.

Basic Prime Lending Rate – This is the lowest rate on loans granted to customers. It does not include concessionary rates on certain categories of loans, for example, staff loans.

Repo Rate – The rate at which the Central Bank is willing to provide overnight credit to commercial banks that are temporarily unable to meet their liquidity requirements.

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MONETARY AGGREGATES AND CREDIT

Currency in Active Circulation – Total currency in circulation less Central Bank's and commercial banks' currency holdings.

Monetary Base – The sum of currency in active circulation plus commercial banks' deposits at the Central Bank.

M1-A – Narrow money supply, M1-A, is defined as currency in active circulation plus demand deposits (adjusted) of commercial banks.

M1-C – M1– A plus savings deposits (adjusted) of commercial banks.

M2 – Broad money supply, M2, is defined as M1-C plus time deposits (adjusted).

M2* – M2 plus foreign currency deposits of residents in local commercial banks.

M3 – Broad money supply M2, plus savings deposits (adjusted) and Time Deposits (adjusted) of non-bank financial institutions.

M3* – M3 plus the foreign currency deposits of non-bank financial institutions.

CONSUMER SPENDING

Index of Retail Sales – A quarterly index of all goods and services sold by a sample of retailers. It tends to be interpreted as an indicator of consumer confidence.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE MARKET

Weighted Average Buying Rate – The weighted average buying rate is calculated as a weighted average of the buying rates that commercial banks pay during the specific period of time, where the weights are based on the shares of transactions conducted at various exchange rates.

Weighted Average Selling Rate – The weighted average selling rate is calculated as a weighted average of the selling rates that consumers pay during the specific period of time, where the weights are based on the shares of transactions conducted at various exchange rates.

BALANCE OF PAYMENTS

Balance of Payments – The Balance of Payments measures the economic and financial transactions of residents of Trinidad and Tobago with the rest of the world.

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Current Account Surplus (+)/ **Deficit (-)** – A surplus on the current account occurs when the nation's export of goods and services is greater than its import of goods and services. A deficit occurs when the imports of goods and services are greater than the exports.

Capital Account Surplus (+) / **Deficit (-)** – A surplus on the capital account of the Balance of Payments occurs when the international inflows of investment transactions of private sector enterprises (including capital movements of the public sector) is greater than the outflows of these payments. A deficit occurs when the outflows are greater than the inflows.

Overall Surplus (+) / **Deficit (-)** – A surplus on the Balance of Payments arises when inflows associated with economic transactions of an economy with the rest of the world are greater than outflows. A deficit is incurred when outflows exceed inflows.

Net Official Reserves – This is the sum of the current and capital account balances. A net decrease in official reserves occurs if the overall account is in deficit, while an increase occurs when the overall balance is in surplus.

MUTUAL FUNDS

Mutual Funds – This is a professionally managed type of collective investment scheme that pools money from shareholders and invests in a group of assets, in accordance with a stated set of objectives.

Equity Funds – This is a mutual fund which invests primarily in stocks, usually common stocks. The objective of an equity fund is long-term growth through capital appreciation. Dividends earned from stocks provide periodic income to investors.

Money Market Funds – This is a type of mutual fund which invests mainly in short-term securities such as Treasury bills, certificates of deposits and commercial paper. The term to maturity on money market securities is usually less than one year.

STOCK INDICES

Domestic

All T&T Stock Index – This is an index of the closing prices of the stocks of resident Trinidad and Tobago companies traded on the Trinidad and Tobago Stock Exchange, with the weights based on the volume of the transaction.

Composite Stock Index – This is an index of the prices of all the stocks traded on the Trinidad and Tobago Stock Exchange, with the weights based on the volume of the transaction.

Manufacturing I – This is a sub-index of the Composite Stock Index that groups together companies engaged in the manufacturing of finished goods and packaging.

Manufacturing II – This is a sub-index of the Composite Stock Index that groups together companies primarily engaged in the processing of raw materials.

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International

Dow Jones – The Dow Jones Industrial Average is a price-weighted average of 30 significant stocks traded on the New York Stock Exchange and the NASDAQ.

FTSE – The Financial Times Stock Exchange Index is a share index of the 100 most highly capitalized UK companies listed on the London Stock Exchange.

NASDAQ – The NASDAQ (acronym of National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotations) is an index showing the closing prices of approximately 3,200 listed companies in the United States.

NIKKEI – This is an index showing the average closing prices of stocks on the Tokyo Stock Exchange.

S&P 500 – The S&P 500 is a stock market index containing the stocks of 500 Large-Cap¹ corporations.

PAYMENTS SYSTEM

ATM Transaction – An ATM transaction occurs when a customer uses a debit or credit card to withdraw cash from an automated teller machine.

Point of Sale Transaction – A point of sale transaction occurs when payment is exchanged for a product, generally in a retail location, using either a debit or credit card.

RTGS (Real Time Gross Settlement) - This system is used for large value transactions (\$500,000 and over) or time critical payments of any value.

ACH (Automated Clearing House) - This system is used for large volume low value (under \$500,000) payments.

INSURANCE

Policy Holder Liabilities – These include insurance and investment contracts. An insurance contract is one under which one party (the insurer) accepts insurance risk from another party (the policyholder), by agreeing to compensate the policyholder if a specified uncertain future event (the insured event) adversely affects the policyholder. An investment contract is one that transfers financial risk with no significant insurance risk.

¹ Large-cap: A term used by the investment community to refer to companies with a market capitalization value of more than \$10 billion.

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LABOUR MARKET

Participation Rate – This rate is computed as the ratio of economically active population (between the ages of 15-64) to the total labour force.

Unemployment Rate – The proportion of the labour force that is able, willing and actively seeking, but unable to find paid employment.

APPENDIX: SECTION A

Foreign Direct Investment – This includes all capital transactions that are made to acquire a lasting interest (usually 10% or more of voting stock) in an enterprise operating in a country other than that of the investor.

Public Sector Debt – This comprises the debt of the Central Government, Public Utilities, State Enterprises wholly or majority owned by the Government of Trinidad and Tobago, and the Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago.

Total Contingent Internal Debt – This comprises government-guaranteed debt of local state enterprises and statutory bodies and letters of comfort of state enterprises and statutory bodies.

Total Internal Debt – This is the part of a country's debt that is owed to creditors who are citizens of that country.

APPENDIX: SECTION C

Gross Official Reserves – Assets denominated in foreign currency, held by a central bank.

Gross International Reserves – This is the total of a nation's holdings of tradable foreign currencies and special drawing rights.

APPENDIX: SECTION F

Overall Fiscal Balance – The difference between Government's total revenue and total expenditure.

APPENDIX: SECTION G

Central Bank Re-discount Rate – The interest rate at which the Central Bank lends to commercial banks.



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Private Sector Credit – The total credit extended to the private sector by licensed deposit-taking financial institutions.

APPENDIX: SECTION H

Capital to Risk Adjusted Assets – The minimum ratio of regulatory capital to risk-weighted assets. It is set at 8% (4% for the core regulatory capital element) and is considered the minimum capital necessary to achieve the objective of securing consistent and soundly based capital ratios overtime.

Non-Performing Loans – A loan that is in default or close to being in default. Non-performing loans are usually those past due in excess of 3 months.

APPENDIX: SECTION I

Market Capitalization – This refers to the total market value of the outstanding shares of listed companies on the Trinidad and Tobago Stock Exchange. This figure is calculated by taking the stock price and multiplying it by the total number of shares outstanding.

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Acronyms

- ATM Automated Teller Machine
- BRICs This acronym is used to describe the economies of Brazil, Russia, India and China
- **BBD** Barbados Dollar
- CAD Canadian Dollar
- cum Cubic meters
- **CARICOM** Caribbean Community
- ECD Eastern Caribbean Dollar
- FDI Foreign Direct Investment
- FTSE Financial Times Stock Exchange Index
- GBP British Pound
- **GDP** Gross Domestic Product
- **GIR** Gross International Reserves
- **GNFS** Goods and Non-Factor Services
- GOR Gross Official Reserves
- NASDAQ National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotations
- NFI Non-Bank Financial Institutions
- **OECD** Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development
- PPI Index of Producer Prices
- RPI Index of Retail Prices
- USD United States Dollar
- VAT Value Added Tax (a consumption tax levied on value added)
- US\$/bbl US dollars per barrel
- US\$/mmbtu US dollars per million British thermal unit¹
- WTI West Texas Intermediate (used as a benchmark in oil pricing)

¹ Btu – This is a unit used for measuring heat and as such the value of natural gas is calculated by its Btu content.



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