# DEBT AND DEBT MARKETS A Quarterly Bulletin of the Ministry of Finance Issue No. 63 Quarter IV 2022 

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## HIGHLIGHTS

- At end of 2022, gross public debt stood at LL 153,484 billion (US\$ 101.81 billion), a 1.4 percent increase compared to end-2021.
- Net public debt registered LL 127,039 billion (US\$ 84.27 billion) at end 2022, a decrease of 3.8 percent compared to end-2021.
- Domestic currency debt reached LL 91,169 billion at end of 2022, a decrease of 2.2 percent compared to end-2021.
- Foreign currency debt totaled LL 62,315 billion (US\$ 41.34 billion) at end of 2022 a 7.3 percent increase from end-2021 level. This figure includes the LL 21,448 billion (US\$ 14.23 billion) of unpaid Eurobonds, coupons and interest accrued on arrears as end of 2022.

| As end of Dec 2022 | KEY COST AND RISK INDICATORS |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Debt Data |  |  | Debt Portfolio Indicators |  |  |
|  | Total LBP billions | Total USD billions | \% Change end 2021 Dec 2022 | - Currency Risk | ATM of bills and bonds | Weighted Avg Interest Rate |
| Gross Government Debt | 153,484 | 101.8 | 1.4\% |  |  |  |
| DX | 91,169 | 60.5 | -2.2\% | 59.40\% | 3.48 yr | 6.46\% |
| $F X^{*}$ | 62,315 | 41.3 | 7.3\% | 40.60\% | 7.06 yr | 7.16\% |
| of which Eurobonds** | 37,208 | 24.7 | -7.6\% |  | 6.79 yr | 7.54\% |
| of which Loans | 3,149 | 2.1 | 4.8\% |  | 8.66 yr | 2.74\% |
| Net Government Debt | 127,039 | 84.3 | -3.8\% |  |  |  |
| * Including Eurobonds and coupons in arrears and acrrued interest <br> ${ }^{* *}$ Excluding Eurobonds in arrears and acrrued interest |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| SOVEREIGN RATINGS |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lebanon Sovereign Debt Rating (as of August 21, 2023) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Agency | FX Long - term tenor rating FX |  |  | FX Short - term tenor rating |  | Outlook |
| Fitch Ratings* | RD |  |  | C |  | n/a |
| Moody's Investor Services Ltd ** | C |  |  | - |  | n/a |
| Standard and Poor's *** | SD |  |  | SD |  | n/a |

[^0]Governement DX T-Bills and T-Bonds Yield Curve as at 21 August 2023


At end of 2022, primary market rates on DX Treasury bills and bonds issued remained unchanged compared to end of 2021 levels. No Eurobonds issuance in 2022.

Interest Payments (as of end-period)


Interest Payments represent interest paid on DX Tbills and Tbonds Holders plus interest paid on FX Loans and on Eurobonds up to end 2021. No coupon payments on DX Tbonds held by BDL was made during 2020, 2021 and up to Dec 2022.


Source: MOF, BDL
Notes:
1- Debt data may be subject to slight modification due to the revision of the Debt Management and Financial Analysis System (DMFAS).
2- GDP 2012-2020: Lebanese National Accounts - CAS revised estimates published in March 2022.
3- Gross Debt is calculated at the official USD/LBP rate.
Public Debt Table ${ }^{\text {(1) }}$ (as of end-period)

| Public Debt (in LL billion) | Dec-14 | Dec-15 | Dec-16 | Dec-17 | Dec-18 | Dec-19 | Dec-20 | Dec-21 | Dec-22 | Change <br> Dec 21 Dec 22 | \% Change Dec 21 Dec 22 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Gross Public Debt ( $\mathrm{A}+\mathrm{B})^{(1)}$ | 100,364 | 106,031 | 112,910 | 119,892 | 128,347 | 138,150 | 144,108 | 151,309 | 153,484 | 2,175 | 1\% |
| A. Local currency debt | 61,752 | 65,195 | 70,528 | 74,077 | 77,852 | 87,279 | 89,762 | 93,247 | 91,169 | $(2,078)$ | -2\% |
| 1. Central Bank | 19,454 | 23,907 | 30,150 | 35,580 | 39,006 | 50,717 | 55,079 | 58,002 | 57,403 | (599) | -1\% |
| 2. Commercial Banks (including REPOs) | 31,869 | 30,279 | 29,581 | 27,756 | 27,402 | 25,316 | 23,157 | 21,200 | 15,575 | $(5,625)$ | -27\% |
| 3. Other local debt (T-bills) | 10,429 | 11,009 | 10,797 | 10,741 | 11,444 | 11,246 | 11,526 | 14,045 | 18,191 | 4,146 | 30\% |
| o/w Public entities | 7,701 | 8,461 | 8,718 | 8,941 | 9,956 | 9,968 | 10,393 | 13,021 | 17,153 | 4,132 | 32\% |
| o/w Contractor bonds | 180 | 180 | 139 | 166 | 166 | 120 | 120 | 120 | - | (120) | -100\% |
| *Accrued interest included in debt | 1,029 | 997 | 1,098 | 1,159 | 1,123 | 1,294 | 1,338 | 1,401 | 1,365 | (36) | -3\% |
| B. Foreign currency debt ${ }^{(1)}$ | 38,612 | 40,836 | 42,382 | 45,815 | 50,495 | 50,871 | 54,346 | 58,062 | 62,315 | 4,253 | 7\% |
| 4. Eurobonds | 34,850 | 37,561 | 39,240 | 42,339 | 47,225 | 47,776 | 51,204 | 55,057 | 59,166 | 4,109 | 7\% |
| Of which, Paris II at preferential rates | 1,615 | 1,099 | 583 | 68 | - | - | - | - | - | - | n/a |
| Of which, Paris III at preferential rates | 226 | 181 | 136 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | n/a |
| 4.1 Market-issued Eurobonds ${ }^{(2)}$ | 32,584 | 35,846 | 38,063 | 41,791 | 46,678 | 47,206 | 43,437 | 40,283 | 37,208 | $(3,075)$ | -8\% |
| 4.2 Accrued Interest on Eurobonds | 425 | 435 | 458 | 480 | 547 | 570 | 587 | 534 | 510 | (24) | -4\% |
| 4.3 Arrears, of which | - | - | - | - | - | - | 7,180 | 14,240 | 21,448 | 7,208 | 51\% |
| Arrears in Principa ${ }^{(3)}$ | - | - | - | - | - | - | 3,769 | 6,923 | 9,998 | 3,075 | 44\% |
| Arrears in Coupons ${ }^{(3)}$ | - | - | - | - | - | - | 3,142 | 6,265 | 9,234 | 2,969 | 47\% |
| Accrued interest in Arrears ${ }^{(3)}$ | - | - | - | - | - | - | 269 | 1,052 | 2,216 | 1,164 | 111\% |
| 5. Loans | 3,648 | 3,207 | 3,079 | 3,443 | 3,264 | 3,092 | 3,142 | 3,005 | 3,149 | 144 | 5\% |
| 5.1 Paris II loans | 128 | 83 | 48 | 18 | - | - | - | - | - | - | n/a |
| 5.2 Paris III loans ${ }^{(4)}$ | 760 | 629 | 525 | 452 | 344 | 242 | 151 | 46 | 18 | (28) | -61\% |
| 5.3 Bilateral loans (non-Paris II and III) | 1,200 | 1,054 | 953 | 935 | 822 | 746 | 751 | 705 | 669 | (36) | -5\% |
| 5.4 Multilateral loans (non-Paris II and III) | 1,506 | 1,417 | 1,494 | 1,954 | 2,015 | 2,036 | 2,180 | 2,207 | 2,421 | 214 | 10\% |
| 5.5 Foreign Private Sector Loans | 54 | 24 | 59 | 84 | 83 | 68 | 59 | 47 | 41 | (6) | -13\% |
| 6. Other debt | 114 | 68 | 63 | 33 | 6 | 3 | - | - | - | - | n/a |
| 6.1 Special Tbls in Foreign currency ${ }^{(5)}$ | 114 | 68 | 63 | 33 | 6 | 3 | - | - | - | - | n/a |
| Public sector deposits | 14,246 | 13,555 | 14,586 | 15,659 | 14,186 | 15,677 | 15,133 | 19,238 | 26,445 | 7,207 | 37\% |
| Net debt | 86,118 | 92,476 | 98,324 | 104,233 | 114,161 | 122,473 | 128,975 | 132,071 | 127,039 | $(5,032)$ | -4\% |
| Gross Market debt ${ }^{(6)}$ | 67,774 | 69,200 | 70,303 | 71,944 | 76,204 | 74,441 | 75,553 | 77,328 | 75,820 | $(1,508)$ | -2\% |
| \% of total debt | 67.5\% | 65.3\% | 62.3\% | 60.0\% | 59.4\% | 53.9\% | 52.4\% | 51.1\% | 49.4\% | n/a | n/a |

Source: MOF, BDL
Notes:
${ }^{(1)}$ Due to revisions in the Debt Management and Financial Analysis System (DMFAS):
1- Debt data for December 2014 to December 2021 may be subject to slight modification.
2-FX debt is evaluated at the official exchange rate of LBP 1507.5 / USD 1.
${ }^{(2)}$ Market-issued Eurobonds exclude Eurobonds in arrears that are reported in a separate line (see 4.3).
${ }^{(3)}$ Arrears represent the Unpaid Eurobond Principals, Coupons and their accrued interests calculated based on each Eurobond intial rate.
${ }^{(4)}$ IBRD loan, UAE loan and French loan of which the first tranche was received in February 2008 and the second tranche in September 2012
${ }^{(5)}$ Special Tbs in Foreign currency (expropriation and contractor bonds).
${ }^{(6)}$ Gross market debt equals gross debt less the portfolios of the BDL, Public Entities, bilateral and multilateral loans, Paris II and Paris III related debt.

AMORTIZATION PROFILE
Aggregate Debt Amortization
(as of end of December 2022)


Foreign Currency Debt
(Eurobonds -Loans)


- FX Loans Debt Service weurobonds Interest (Payment Suspended) \% Eurobonds Principal (Payment Suspended)

Domestic T-bills and T-Bonds


## Source: MOF, BDL

Note : The data used for the amortization schedule is based on outstanding and not on committed amounts.

## DOMESTIC CURRENCY DEBT DATA

Outstanding Domestic T-bills and Bonds by Tenor


Source: MOF
Note: Only treasury bills with maturities less than 24 months are issued at a discount to their face value.
Outstanding Domestic T-bills and Bonds by Investor Type (as of end-period)


Source: MOF, BDL
Notes: Commercial Banks figures include the amounts of repurchase agreements.

## DOMESTIC CURRENCY DEBT DATA

T-Bills and Bonds Subscription Results- QIV 2022

| Date | Categories |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Nominal Value - LBP Billions |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 3 Mn | 6 Mn | 12 Mn | 2 Yr | 3 Yr | 5 Yr | 7 Yr | 10 Yr | Total |
| QI-2022 | 184 | 796 | 684 | 215 | 910 | 365 | - | 419 | 3,573 |
| Q1I-2022 | 111 | 801 | 468 | 700 | 401 | 51 | - | 424 | 2,956 |
| QIII-2022 | 273 | 246 | 2,717 | 1,001 | 301 | 0 | - | - | 4,537 |
| 06-10-22 | - | 33 | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | 34 |
| 13-10-22 | 46 | - | - | - | - | 0 | - | - | 46 |
| 20-10-22 | - | 27 | - | 0 | - | - | - | - | 27 |
| 27-10-22 | 20 | - | 14 | - | - | - | - | - | 34 |
| 03-11-22 | - | 10 | - | - | 0 | - | - | - | 10 |
| 10-11-22 | 52 | - | 0 | - | - | - | - | - | 52 |
| 17-11-22 | - | 31 | - | 400 | - | - | - | - | 431 |
| 24-11-22 | 46 | - | 40 | - | - | - | - | - | 86 |
| 01-12-22 | - | 30 | - | - | 0 | - | - | - | 30 |
| 08-12-22 | 40 | - | 33 | - | - | 0 | - | - | 73 |
| 15-12-22 | - | 33 | - | 15 | - | - | - | - | 48 |
| 22-12-22 | - | - | - | 216 | - | 0 | - | - | 216 |
| 29-12-22 | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | 1 |
| Total QIV-2022 | 205 | 164 | 87 | 632 | 1 | 0 | - | - | 1,089 |
| Grand Total | 773 | 2,007 | 3,955 | 2,548 | 1,613 | 417 | - | 843 | 12,155 |

In 2022 the largest subscriber in DX Treasury bills and bonds were the Public Institutions reaching 72.1 percent of the total subscriptions. BDL share of the subscriptions was 22.5 percent and banks

QIV 2022 Subscription Results by Holder


Year 2022 Subscription Results by Holder
 share stood at 2.0 percent of total quarterly subscriptions.

Domestic Treasury Bills \& Bonds Auction Calendar QIV 2022

|  | October |  |  |  |  | November |  |  |  | December |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Auction Date | 3 | 10 | 17 | 24 | 31 | 7 | 14 | 21 | 28 | 5 | 12 | 19 | 26 |  |
| Issue Date | 6 | 13 | 20 | 27 | 03-Nov | 10 | 17 | 24 | 01-Dec | 8 | 15 | 22 | 29 | quency |
| 3 M |  | X |  | X |  | X |  | X |  | X |  |  |  | 5 |
| 6 M | X |  | X |  | X |  | X |  | X |  | X |  |  | 6 |
| 12 M |  | X |  | X |  | X |  | X |  | X |  |  |  | 5 |
| 2 Y |  |  | X |  |  |  | X |  |  |  | X | X |  | 4 |
| 3 Y | X |  |  |  | X |  |  |  | $\mathbf{X}$ |  |  |  | X | 4 |
| 5 Y |  | X |  | X |  | X |  | X |  | X |  | X |  | 6 |
| 7 Y | X |  |  |  | X |  |  |  | X |  |  |  | X | 4 |
| 10 Y |  |  | X |  |  |  | X |  |  |  | X |  |  | 3 |

*Auctions falling on holidays were rescheduled accordingly.

## FOREIGN CURRENCY DEBT DATA

Bilateral and Multilateral Loans
(as of end of December 2022)


Source: MOF
The gross outstanding debt comprises 2.1 \% of loans in foreign currency amounting to LBP 3,149 billion, which is mostly for project financing.

## Marketable Eurobonds end of QIV 2022

| Lebanon Outstanding Eurobonds |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Mat. Date dd/mm/yy | Outstanding Amount (in original cur) | Notes |
| US DOLLARS |  |  |  |
| LEB | 09/03/2020 | 1,200,000,000 | Repayment suspended |
| LEB | 14/04/2020 | 700,000,000 | Repayment suspended |
| LEB | 19/06/2020 | 600,000,000 | Repayment suspended |
| LEB | 12/04/2021 | 2,092,469,000 | Repayment suspended |
| LEB | 27/05/2022 | 500,000,000 | Repayment suspended |
| LEB | 04/10/2022 | 1,540,000,000 | Repayment suspended |
| LEB | 27/01/2023 | 1,100,000,000 |  |
| LEB | 26/05/2023 | 500,000,000 |  |
| LEB | 22/04/2024 | 700,000,000 |  |
| LEB | 04/11/2024 | 538,467,000 |  |
| LEB | 03/12/2024 | 250,000,000 |  |
| LEB | 26/02/2025 | 800,000,000 |  |
| LEB | 12/06/2025 | 800,000,000 |  |
| LEB | 27/11/2026 | 1,600,000,000 |  |
| LEB | 23/03/2027 | 1,250,000,000 |  |
| LEB | 29/11/2027 | 1,000,000,000 |  |
| LEB | 20/03/2028 | 1,700,000,000 |  |
| LEB | 03/11/2028 | 893,197,000 |  |
| LEB | 25/05/2029 | 1,000,000,000 |  |
| LEB | 27/11/2029 | 1,500,000,000 |  |
| LEB | 26/02/2030 | 1,400,000,000 |  |
| LEB | 22/04/2031 | 300,000,000 |  |
| LEB | 20/11/2031 | 2,500,000,000 |  |
| LEB | 23/03/2032 | 1,000,000,000 |  |
| LEB | 17/05/2033 | 1,500,000,000 |  |
| LEB | 17/05/2034 | 1,500,000,000 |  |
| LEB | 27/07/2035 | 1,500,000,000 |  |
| LEB | 02/11/2035 | 600,000,000 |  |
| LEB | 23/03/2037 | 750,000,000 |  |


[^0]:    * On 04 August 2023, Fitch Ratings Investors Services affirmed Long and Short-Term Foreign-Currency rating at RD/C and downgraded Long and Short-Term Local-Currency rating to 'RD/RD' from 'CC/C'
    ** On 27 July 2020, Moody's Investors Services downgraded Lebanon's FX bond rating to C from Ca. On 12 July 2023 Moody's issued a Credit Opinion affirming its ratings.
    *** On 18 August 2023, Standard and Poor's affirmed its long- and short-term foreign currency sovereign credit ratings on Lebanon at 'SD/SD'. Local currency rating affirmed at 'CC/C' with negative outlook.

