# DEBT AND DEBT MARKETS

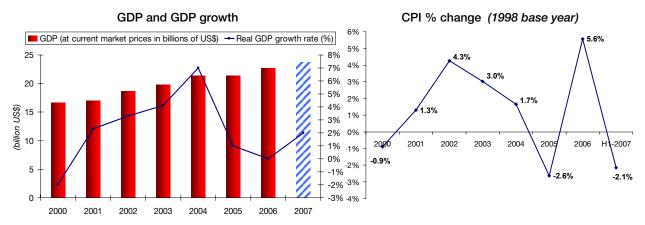


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#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- By the end of June 2007, gross public debt reached US\$ 39.76 billion, registering an decrease of 1.48 % over the end-December 2006 debt level.
- Local currency debt amounted to US\$ 19.56 billion, decreasing by 2.42 % over the end-December 2006 level. This decrease is largely due to the redemption of US\$1.57 billion worth of T-bills held by the central bank using proceeds resulting from the re-evaluation of the BDL's gold reserves.
- By end-June 2007 foreign currency debt amounted to US\$ 20.21 billion, decreasing slightly by 0.55% over the end-December 2006 level.
- On May 31, 2007, Lebanon successfully issued a \$400 million Eurobond to the market. The transaction was issued through a reopening of the series 39 June 2013– 8.625% coupon USD Eurobond.
- As part of Malaysia's contribution to the Paris III conference, a debt re-profiling transaction was undertaken
  on July 20, 2007 relating to US\$ 500 million worth of Eurobonds held by that country. The re-profiling extended maturities and grace periods, lowered the interest rate charged to 3.75%, and resulted in debt service savings for Lebanon equal to \$60 million.

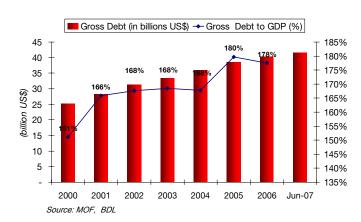
#### THE LEBANESE ECONOMY



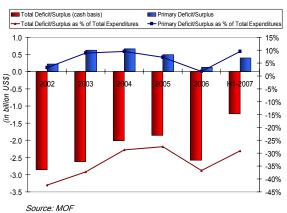
Source: 2000-2003 are National Accounts Committee figures 2004-2006 are Banque Du Liban (BDL) figures 2007 Figures are as per latest IMF estimates Source: Central Administration of Statistics

#### **OVERALL DEBT DATA**

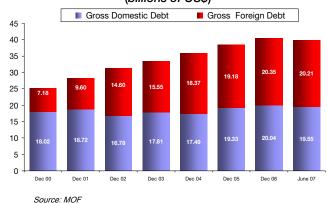
#### **Gross Public Debt**



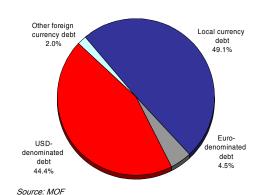
#### Fiscal Performance



# Historical Debt Evolution (billions of US\$)



# Gross Debt of \$39.76 billion as of end June 2007 (by currency composition)



Public Debt (in billions of US\$)	Dec 04	Dec 05	Dec 06	Jun 07	% change Dec 06 - Jun 07
Gross public debt	35.88	38.46	40.36	39.76	-1.48%
Local currency debt	17.49	19.33	20.04	19.55	-2.42%
a. Central Bank (including REPOs and Loans to EDL to finance	7.07	7.75	6.36	5.48	-13.88%
b. Commercial Banks	8.11	9.37	10.94	10.49	-4.09%
c. Other Local Currency Debt (T-bills)	2.32	2.21	2.74	3.58	30.83%
o/w Public entities	1.45	1.62	2.20	3.06	39.09%
Foreign currency debt	18.38	19.13	20.32	20.21	-0.55%
a. Bilateral, Multilateral and Foreign Private sector loans	1.99	1.85	1.89	1.90	0.63%
b. Paris II related debt (Eurobonds and Loans)	2.53	2.44	2.47	2.44	-1.05%
c. BDL Eurobond (Paris II)	1.87	1.87	1.87	1.87	0.00%
d. Market Eurobonds	11.73	12.42	13.53	13.45	-0.61%
e. Accrued Interest on foreign currency debt	0.26	0.27	0.29	0.27	-5.30%
f. Special Tbls in Foreign currency**	0.00	0.28	0.28	0.28	0.00%
Public sector deposits	2.89	3.71	2.95	2.32	-21.20%
Net debt	32.98	34.76	37.41	37.44	0.07%
Gross Market debt***	21.13	23.03	25.65	25.08	-2.22%
% of total debt	59%	60%	64%	63%	

Source: MOF, BDL

Notes:

\* The BDL has extended loans to EDL for the equivalent amount of US\$ 300 million to purchase fuel oil. These loans are listed as Public debt as they are government quaranteed.



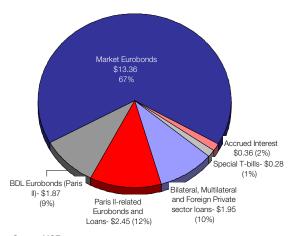
guaranteed.
\*\* Special Tbs in Foreign currency (expropriation bonds)

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Gross market debt = gross debt less the portfolios of the BDL, NSSF, bilateral and multilateral loans, & Paris II related debt.

<sup>\*\*\*\*\*</sup> Figures for Dec04- Dec05 -Dec06 may have changed from previously published information due to the exchange rate of Euro

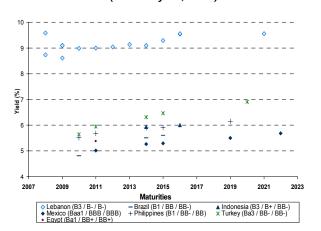
## **FOREIGN CURRENCY DEBT DATA**

Foreign Currency Debt Outstanding US \$20.21 billion as of end-June 2007 (in billions of US\$)



Source: MOF

Yields for Republic of Lebanon Eurobonds and Comparables (as of July 20, 2007)



Source: Credit Suisse

Lebanon Secondary Issues									
23-Oct-07	Pri	ce	Yie	eld	Z-Spread				
	Bid	Ask	Bid	Ask	Bid	Ask			
Lebanese Issues									
Euro									
LEB 7.250 09	99.25	100.25	7.7	7.06	308	245			
LEB 5.875 12	92.5	93.5	7.87	7.59	324	298			
US Dollars									
LEB 7.375 08	98.625	99.625	9.58	7.95	478	317			
LEB 10.125 08	101	102	8.73	7.4	398	266			
LEB 10.250 09	102	103	9.1	8.54	459	403			
LEB FRN 09	98.5	99.5	8.61	8.08	411	357			
LEB 7.000 09	96.00	97.00	9.1	8.56	458	405			
LEB 7.125 10	96.125	97.125	8.98	8.49	447	398			
LEB 7.875 11	96.625	97.625	9	8.66	440	406			
LEB 4.000 17 Av Life	78.75	79.75	9.38	9.08	454	423			
LEB 7.750 12	95	96	9.04	8.77	432	405			
LEB 8.625 13	97.75	98.75	9.14	8.91	437	414			
LEB 7.375 14	91.75	93	9.09	8.82	426	399			
LIEB 10.000 15	103.75	104.75	9.29	9.11	441	423			
LEB 8.500 16	94.125	95.125	9.54	9.36	461	443			
LEB 11.625 16	111.875	112.875	9.56	9.4	463	447			
LEB 8.250 21	90.25	91.25	9.55	9.41	445	430			

Source: Credit Suisse Note: This table is intended for general information purposes only.

Lebanon Sovereign Debt Rating								
Agency	Long –term tenor rating	Short-term tenor rating	Outlook					
Fitch IBCA Ltd	B-	В	Stable					
Moody's Investor Services Ltd	В3		Negative					
Standard and Poor's	B-	С	Negative					



# FOREIGN CURRENCY DEBT DATA

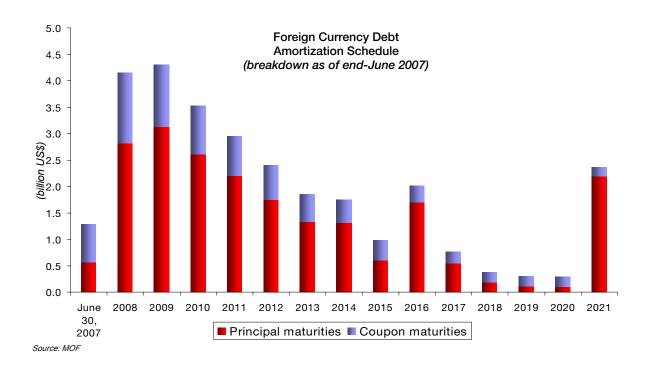
	XS0169203048	XS0160456322	XS0160456322	XS0160503347	Eurobonds issued i	XS0312416778	XS0312416000	Eurobonds issued i	XS0263573817	XS0263574112	XS0250883013	XS0250882478	XS0250882809	US52238PAJ84	XS0222794249	XS0222790841	XS0219573051	XS0205838948	XS0205838435	XS0128547147	XS0192976834	US52238PAD15	XS0207129296	XS0207128561	XS0200329950	XS0200337979	XS0102480513	XS0133469253	USM87883AB63	ISIN CODE	
	USD 200 MN - Mar 2018	USD 700 MN - Mar 2018	USD 950 MN - Dec 2017	USD 2,007.511 MN - Dec 2017	Eurobonds issued in the context of Paris II	USD 200 MN due July 2012	USD 300 MN due July 2017	Eurobonds issued in the context of Paris III	USD 351.591 MN - Aug 2009	USD 450 MN - Aug 2011	EUR 324.542 MN - April 2012	USD 2092.469 MN - April 2021	USD 676.902 MN- April 2014	USD 750 MN- Jan 2016	USD 650 MN - June 2013	USD 250 MN - June 2008	USD 250 MN -May 2008	USD 300 MN -Nov 2010	USD 1,269 MN - Mar 2008	USD 400 MN - May 2016	EUR 225 MN - May 2009	USD 1000 MN - May 2011	USD 425 MN - Dec 2009	USD 625 MN FRN - Nov 2009	USD 600 MN - Sept 2012	USD 1,265 MN - Mar 2010	USD 650 MN - Oct 2009	USD 750 MN - Aug 2008	USD 400 MN - Oct 2007	Eurobond	
	200,000,000	700,000,000	650,000,000	2,007,511,000		200,000,000	300,000,000		351,591,000	450,000,000	324,542,000	2,092,469,000	676,902,000	750,000,000	650,000,000	250,000,000	250,000,000	300,000,000	869,000,000	400,000,000	225,000,000	1,000,000,000	425,000,000	625,000,000	600,000,000	1,065,000,000	635,500,000	750,000,000	368,668,000	Outstanding Amount (in original currency)	List of Outstanding Eurobonds (values as of August 30, 2007)
	_	1	1	2		_	1		2	1	2	3	1	1	2	1	_	1	2	_	1	1	_	1	2	1	2	1	1	Number of tranches	in <b>g Eurob</b> o gust 30, 20
	USD	USD	USD	USD		USD	USD		USD	USD	EUR	USD	USD	USD	USD	USD	USD	USD	USD	USD	Euro	USD	USD	USD	USD	USD	USD	USD	USD	Currency	onds )07)
Average Time to Maturity (in years, as of August 30, 2007):	5.000%	5.000%	5.000%	4.000%		3.750%	3.750%		7.500%	7.500%	5.875%	8.250%	7.375%	8.500%	8.625%	7.375%	7.000%	6.875%	6.375%	11.625%	7.250%	7.875%	7.000%	6 months U.S \$ Libor + 3.25 %	7.750%	7.125%	10.250%	10.125%	8.625%	Coupon rate	
e to Maturity ugust 30, 2007):	05/27/18	03/07/18	12/27/17	12/31/17		07/20/12	07/20/17		08/03/09	08/02/11	04/12/12	04/12/21	04/14/14	01/19/16	06/20/13	06/20/08	05/11/08	11/12/10	03/12/08	05/11/16	05/20/09	05/20/11	12/14/09	11/30/09	09/07/12	03/05/10	10/06/09	08/06/08	10/31/07	Mat. Date mm/dd/yy	
6.21	10.75	10.53	10.33	10.35		4.89	9.90		1.93	3.93	4.62	13.63	6.63	8.39	5.81	0.81	0.70	3.21	0.53	8.70	1.72	3.72	2.29	2.25	5.03	2.52	2.10	0.94	0.17	Years to Maturity	



#### **FOREIGN CURRENCY DEBT DATA**

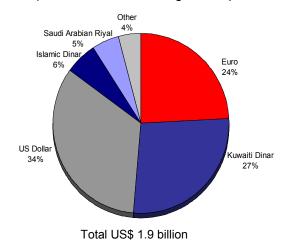
	Recent Government Eurobond Issuance											
Issue Date	Series (Tranche)	Term (years)	Maturity Date	Coupon Rate	Issuance Yield	Amount issued	ISIN Code					
20-Jul-07	47	5	Jul-2012	3.750	3.750	USD 200 MN *	XS0312416778					
20-Jul-07	46	10	Jul-2017	3.750	3.750	USD 300 MN *	XS0312416000					
6-Jul-07	17 (2)	10	Dec-2017	4.000	9.250	USD 137.511 MN **	XS0160503347					
31-May-07	39 <i>(</i> 2)	6	Jun-2013	8.625	8.750	USD 400 MN	XS0222794249					
26-Feb-07	42 (3)	14	Apr-2021	8.250	8.750	USD 431 MN**	XS0250882478					
26-Feb-07	32 (2)	1	Mar-2008	6.375	6.375	USD 569 MN**	XS0205838435					
27-Dec-06	44 (2)	3	Aug-2009	7.500	9.250	USD \$145 MN**	XS0263573817					
2-Aug-06	44	3	Aug-2009	7.500	9.250	USD \$206.591 MN**	XS0263573817					
2-Aug-06	45	5	Aug-2011	7.500	7.500	USD \$450 MN**	XS0263574112					

<sup>\*</sup> Paris III conference Malaysia contribution \*\* Initial Issuance to BDL



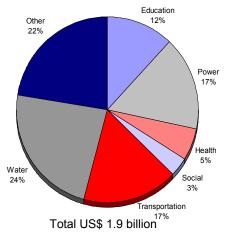
#### **CONCESSIONAL FOREIGN CURRENCY DEBT DATA**

Concessional Project Finance Loans breakdown by currency (breakdown as of end-August 2007)



Source: MOF, BDL

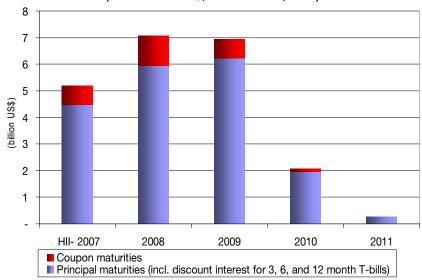
Concessional Project Finance Loans breakdown by sector (breakdown as of end-August 2007)





## **DOMESTIC CURRENCY DEBT DATA**

Amortization Schedule of Domestic T-bills and Notes (in billions of US\$, as of June 30, 2007)



Average Time to Maturity
of Domestic Currency
T-bills and Notes

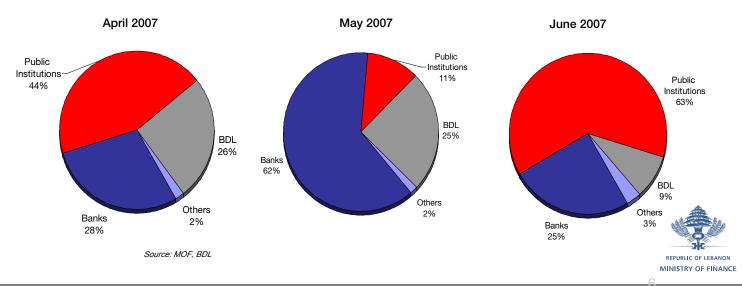
(In years, as of
end-Oct 2007)
1.36

Source: MOF, BDL

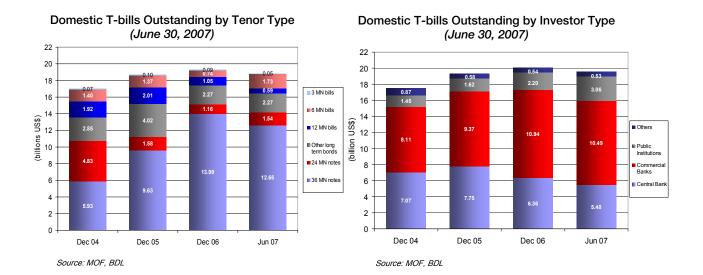
Upcoming Government Treasury Bill Auctions								
Auction Date	Tenors to be auctioned (in months)							
3-Nov-07	12 MN							
5-Nov-07	24 MN, 36 MN							
12-Nov-07	3 MN, 6 MN							
17-Nov-07	12 MN							

Source: MOF, BDL

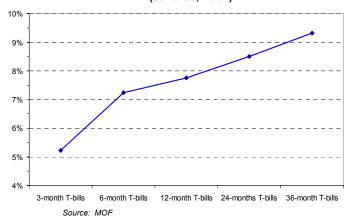
T-Bill Auction Results by Holder During Q II-2007



# **DOMESTIC CURRENCY DEBT DATA**



# Primary Market Rates for T-Bills (June 30, 2007)



## LIST OF FORTHCOMING PUBLICATIONS

Publication	Week of Release
Public Finance Monitor– June	1st week of September
Quarterly Public Finance Report– QI 2007	4th week of September
Monthly Fiscal Performance for August	4th week of September
Note on Budget 2007	1st week of October
Public Finance Monitor– July	1st week of October
Paris III Conference- Third Progress Report	1st week of October
Ministry of Finance Internal Reforms	2nd week of October
Debt and Debt Markets- QIII 2007	4th week of October

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