

2. Foreign Exchange Reserves

<i>Item</i>	As on Dec. 19, 2008		Variation over							
			Week		End-March 2008		End-December 2007		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	11,98,239	254,052	-22,601	3,599	-39,726	-55,671	1,13,219	-21,264	1,18,996	-18,670
(a) Foreign Currency Assets	11,54,908	245,308	-22,536	3,583*	-41,115	-53,922	1,04,423	-21,245	1,10,522	-18,626
(b) Gold	39,177	7,861	—	—	-947	-2,178	6,358	-467	6,026	-496
(c) SDRs	13	3	—	—	-61	-15	—	—	—	—
(d) Reserve Position in the IMF**	4,141	880	-65	16	2,397	444	2,438	448	2,448	452

* : 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.