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Money and banking

Monetary aggregates

R millions

| | 2008 | | | | |
|--------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov |
| M0..... | 109 105 | 112 355 | 113 854 | 115 141 | 118 313 |
| M1A..... | 393 728 | 394 718 | 398 487 | 404 181 | 412 247 |
| M1..... | 720 498 | 730 321 | 734 754 | 731 447 | 750 691 |
| M2..... | 1 469 100 | 1 468 780 | 1 487 618 | 1 502 610 | 1 544 074 |
| M3..... | 1 832 296 | 1 837 993 | 1 848 496 | 1 868 674 | 1 920 854 |
| M3 Seasonally adjusted..... | 1 833 162 | 1 834 985 | 1 850 088 | 1 877 824 | 1 923 718 |

Percentage change over 12 months

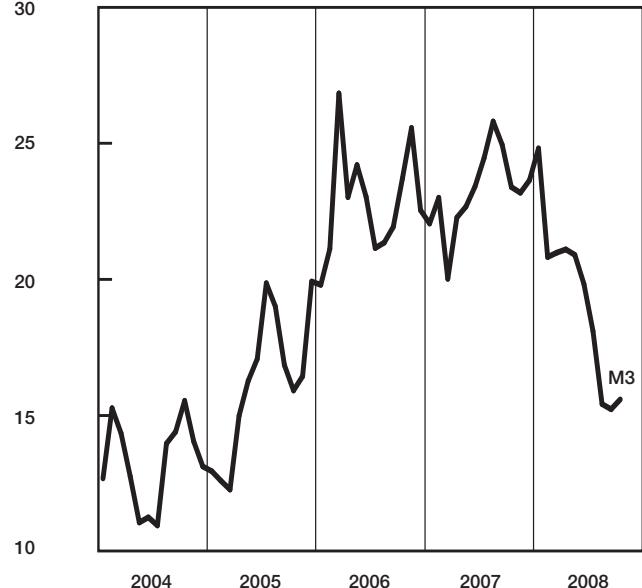
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|-----------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| M0..... | 13,19 | 14,70 | 15,50 | 16,56 | 13,31 |
| M1A | 9,03 | 3,78 | 3,39 | 8,13 | 6,99 |
| M1..... | 7,64 | 2,40 | 4,57 | 4,67 | 2,61 |
| M2..... | 13,86 | 9,45 | 10,17 | 11,61 | 11,76 |
| M3..... | 18,10 | 15,42 | 15,23 | 15,59 | 16,26 |

Counterparts of change in M3 - R millions

| | | | | | |
|---|---------|--------|---------|---------|---------|
| Net foreign assets..... | -13 899 | -3 141 | 19 584 | -20 011 | 30 164 |
| Net claims on government sector:..... | 22 395 | -2 449 | -12 409 | 11 353 | 24 076 |
| Gross claims..... | 5 921 | 3 210 | -7 130 | 3 289 | 14 153 |
| Government deposits ¹ | 16 474 | -5 659 | -5 279 | 8 064 | 9 923 |
| Claims on the private sector | 12 566 | 15 170 | 6 426 | 33 775 | 24 739 |
| Net other assets and liabilities | -14 259 | -3 884 | -3 098 | -4 939 | -26 799 |
| Change in M3 | 6 804 | 5 697 | 10 502 | 20 178 | 52 180 |

Money supply

Percentage change over twelve months



Credit aggregates

R millions

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| Claims on the domestic private sector - seasonally adjusted..... | |
| Claims on the domestic private sector | |
| Investments | |
| Bills discounted..... | |
| Total loans and advances | |
| Instalment sale credit..... | |
| Leasing finance..... | |
| Mortgage advances | |
| Other loans and advances | |
| Of which: To households | |
| Net claims on the government sector..... | |
| Total domestic credit extension..... | |

Percentage change over 12 months

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|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Claims on the domestic private sector | 19,43 | 18,52 | 16,28 | 16,36 | 15,30 |
| Total loans and advances | 20,26 | 19,66 | 17,66 | 17,08 | 16,57 |
| Total domestic credit extension..... | 22,58 | 20,28 | 18,73 | 18,94 | 19,04 |

Money and banking (continued)

Banks and mutual banks (R millions)

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| Deposits by residents |
| Deposits by non-residents |
| Total deposit liabilities |
| Loans received under repurchase agreements..... |
| Total liabilities to the public |
| Total equity..... |
| Cash reserve balances with the SA Reserve Bank |
| Treasury bills discounted |
| Land Bank bills and promissory notes discounted |
| Other bills discounted, including bankers' acceptances..... |
| Advances to the domestic private sector |
| Total deposits, loans and advances |
| Short-term government stock..... |
| Long-term government stock |
| Total investments and bills discounted..... |
| Acceptance facilities utilised |
| Total assets |

| 2008 | | | | |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct |
| 1 978 045 | 1 986 207 | 1 990 630 | 2 025 835 | 2 049 600 |
| 97 327 | 100 340 | 97 059 | 100 792 | 133 815 |
| 2 075 372 | 2 086 546 | 2 087 689 | 2 126 627 | 2 183 416 |
| 116 045 | 118 505 | 116 645 | 141 660 | 119 272 |
| 2 354 779 | 2 354 575 | 2 354 836 | 2 421 093 | 2 465 800 |
| 160 706 | 163 630 | 163 981 | 165 369 | 167 542 |
| 45 087 | 45 027 | 46 555 | 47 822 | 46 847 |
| 56 484 | 55 251 | 55 167 | 55 107 | 61 157 |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 8 427 | 7 799 | 8 036 | 8 753 | 11 816 |
| 1 810 629 | 1 818 627 | 1 840 069 | 1 849 559 | 1 867 171 |
| 2 266 802 | 2 263 644 | 2 266 202 | 2 318 980 | 2 348 111 |
| 47 742 | 47 997 | 48 391 | 45 290 | 46 617 |
| 32 505 | 37 617 | 40 465 | 36 995 | 33 197 |
| 537 869 | 495 198 | 469 388 | 475 574 | 754 018 |
| 169 | 4 | 167 | 168 | 5 |
| 2 945 885 | 2 889 404 | 2 857 095 | 2 933 556 | 3 237 749 |

Banks (R millions)

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| Required liquid assets..... |
| Actual liquid asset holdings..... |
| Credit card purchases processed during the period..... |

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|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| 123 633 | 125 093 | 125 462 | 125 331 | 130 422 |
| 132 980 | 135 746 | 139 234 | 140 388 | 146 480 |
| 12 729 | 13 761 | 13 024 | 13 672 | 13 920 |

Land Bank (R millions)

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|--------------------------------|
| Cash credit advances |
| Total loans and advances |

| | | | | |
|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| 9 670 | 9 353 | 9 284 | 8 982 | 9 108 |
| 15 752 | 15 366 | 15 229 | 14 872 | 14 942 |

International economic data

Changes in gold and other foreign reserves (R millions)

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| Gross reserves of the SA Reserve Bank..... |
| Foreign liabilities of the SA Reserve Bank..... |
| Net reserves of the SA Reserve Bank ¹⁴ |

| 2008 | | | | |
|---------|-------|--------|--------|--------|
| Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov |
| -15 811 | 7 961 | 20 158 | 48 015 | 3 939 |
| -2 381 | 344 | -355 | 1 461 | -1 453 |
| 3 701 | 2 407 | 1 689 | 1 275 | 2 671 |

Gross reserves of the SA Reserve Bank and open position in foreign currency (US\$m)

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|---|
| Gross reserves of the SA Reserve Bank ²¹ |
| International liquidity position of the SA Reserve Bank ¹⁵ |

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|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| 35 004 | 34 332 | 34 424 | 32 908 | 33 216 |
| 34 171 | 33 502 | 33 638 | 32 111 | 32 576 |

Net average daily turnover on the SA foreign-exchange market (US\$m)

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| Total spot transactions ¹⁷ |
| Total forward transactions ¹⁷ |
| Total swap transactions ¹⁷ |
| Transactions in third currencies ²⁰ |
| Total transactions |

| | | | | |
|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| 3 514 | 3 586 | 4 297 | 4 941 | 2 059 |
| 1 049 | 986 | 900 | 1 024 | 691 |
| 8 570 | 9 902 | 9 229 | 7 316 | 5 497 |
| 3 915 | 3 878 | 4 490 | 3 226 | 2 841 |
| 17 049 | 18 352 | 18 915 | 16 508 | 11 088 |

Exchange rates (averages)

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| Effective exchange rate against the most important currencies (Index: 2000=100) ¹⁸ .. |
| Real effective exchange rate against the most important currencies (Index: 2000=100) ^{3, 18} .. |
| SA rand per US dollar |
| SA rand per British pound |
| SA rand per euro |
| SA rand per Japanese yen..... |

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|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| 65,69 | 67,67 | 66,11 | 57,32 | 56,61 |
| 97,86 | 102,37 | 100,09 | 88,23 | ... |
| 7,6393 | 7,6578 | 8,0472 | 9,6715 | 10,1177 |
| 15,1886 | 14,4731 | 14,4452 | 16,3843 | 15,5129 |
| 12,0543 | 11,4770 | 11,5565 | 12,9635 | 12,8845 |
| 0,0716 | 0,0701 | 0,0755 | 0,0980 | 0,1045 |

Average daily fixing price of gold per fine ounce

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|-------------------|
| In rand |
| In US dollar..... |

| | | | | |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| 7 147,26 | 6 401,91 | 6 617,04 | 7 801,98 | 7 670,43 |
| 940,47 | 839,10 | 827,27 | 809,72 | 759,36 |

Capital market

Share market⁴

| | | | | | | |
|--|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Value of shares traded (Rm) | 274 557 | 289 927 | 252 392 | 319 734 | 346 319 | 227 268 |
| Number of shares traded (millions) | 6 614 | 7 648 | 6 517 | 7 150 | 9 749 | 7 322 |
| All share price index (2000 = 100) | 357 | 318 | 308 | 288 | 234 | 216 |
| All share dividend yield (%) | 2,4 | 3,1 | 3,1 | 3,5 | 4,4 | 4,8 |

Non-resident transactions (R millions)

| | | | | | | |
|---|-------|--------|--------|--------|---------|--------|
| Net purchases of shares ⁴ | 2 787 | -6 123 | -3 428 | -7 579 | -28 160 | -3 855 |
| Net purchases of bonds ¹³ | 4 514 | 1 970 | 362 | -1 866 | -21 654 | 4 779 |
| Total net purchases of shares and bonds | 7 301 | -4 153 | -3 066 | -9 445 | -49 813 | 924 |

Fixed-interest securities market

| | | | | | | |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Net new issues of public sector stock ⁵ (Rm) | 3 242 | 4 376 | 5 951 | 5 780 | 4 918 | ... |
| Nominal value of bonds traded (Rm) ¹³ | 1 766 469 | 1 868 701 | 1 902 215 | 2 011 340 | 1 901 621 | 1 548 882 |
| Consideration of bonds traded (Rm) ¹³ | 1 846 592 | 1 967 270 | 2 080 315 | 2 136 792 | 2 049 910 | 1 718 411 |
| Number of transactions (actual number) ¹³ | 29 718 | 39 220 | 33 039 | 33 998 | 40 250 | 34 475 |
| Yield on long-term government bonds ⁶ (%) | 10,4 | 10,1 | 9,2 | 9,0 | 9,2 | 8,6 |

Derivative market - futures⁴

| | | | | | | |
|--|------------|------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|
| Number of deals (actual number) | 119 266 | 109 904 | 87 461 | 123 417 | 118 942 | 99 903 |
| Number of contracts (actual number) | 61 314 486 | 17 047 218 | 14 110 151 | 128 084 603 | 19 546 127 | 12 681 931 |
| Underlying value (Rm) | 770 662 | 353 568 | 237 289 | 546 912 | 275 676 | 180 227 |
| Open interest (actual number) ⁷ | 42 654 689 | 43 393 344 | 45 219 125 | 42 329 868 | 41 084 498 | 38 315 185 |

National government finance

Statement of national revenue, expenditure and borrowing

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|--|--------|---------|--------|--------|---------|---------|
| Cash-flow revenue | 71 185 | 39 004 | 47 798 | 63 255 | 38 269 | 39 690 |
| Cash-flow expenditure | 45 251 | 57 732 | 47 104 | 56 557 | 51 582 | 50 217 |
| Cash-flow deficit/surplus ⁹ | 25 933 | -18 727 | 694 | 6 698 | -13 314 | -10 527 |
| Plus: Extraordinary payments | 0 | -153 | -442 | -382 | -350 | -734 |
| Plus: Cost/profit on revaluation of foreign debt at redemption ¹⁹ | -45 | -139 | -14 | -8 | -214 | -91 |
| Less: Extraordinary receipts | 1 | 1 682 | 130 | 0 | 413 | 0 |
| Net borrowing requirement | 25 890 | -17 337 | 367 | 6 307 | -13 466 | -11 352 |

National government financing of net borrowing requirement

| | | | | | | |
|---|---------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Treasury bills | 2 281 | -2 658 | 451 | 745 | 907 | 216 |
| Domestic government bonds ¹⁰ | 1 513 | 2 092 | 3 867 | 2 099 | 3 456 | 4 350 |
| Foreign bonds and loans | 65 | 453 | -28 | 609 | -367 | -157 |
| Other financing ²² | -36 | -27 | -20 | -4 | 9 | 19 |
| Change in cash balances ¹ | -29 712 | 17 476 | -4 637 | -9 755 | 9 462 | 6 925 |
| Total financing | -25 890 | 17 337 | -367 | -6 307 | 13 466 | 11 352 |

Economic indicators (seasonally adjusted)

Sales

| | | | | | | |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Manufacturing (constant prices 2000=100) ¹¹ | 140,1 | 139,4 | 135,0 | 132,3 | 131,3 | ... |
| Wholesale trade (constant prices 2000=100) ¹¹ | 166,6 | 165,0 | 163,6 | 163,9 | 163,4 | ... |
| Retail trade (constant prices 2000=100) ¹¹ | 146,3 | 143,2 | 142,8 | 142,0 | 144,0 | ... |
| New passenger vehicles (number 2000=100) ¹² | 144,3 | 146,3 | 140,9 | 137,5 | 124,7 | 128,0 |
| New commercial vehicles (number 2000=100) ¹² | 164,1 | 162,3 | 158,2 | 159,7 | 150,2 | 158,6 |

Volume of production¹¹

| | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-----|
| Gold mining (2000=100) | 52,5 | 49,7 | 46,2 | 49,2 | 49,1 | ... |
| Other mining (2000=100) | 123,8 | 106,9 | 124,7 | 125,7 | 129,7 | ... |
| Manufacturing (2000=100) | 131,3 | 127,2 | 127,5 | 124,3 | 124,1 | ... |

Composite business cycle indicators

| | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-----|
| Leading indicator (2000=100) | 122,0 | 120,2 | 116,1 | 114,0 | 110,4 | ... |
| Coincident indicator (2000=100) | 156,2 | 155,3 | 155,0 | 153,4 | ... | ... |
| Lagging indicator (2000=100) | 126,0 | 127,4 | 128,7 | 128,3 | ... | ... |

1 Increase -, decrease +.

2 Total net reserves include those of the SA Reserve Bank, other banks and government.

3 Preliminary figures.

4 Source: JSE Securities Exchange South Africa (JSE).

5 Net cash receipts after repayment of redemptions internal funds excluded.

6 Monthly average.

7 Actual number as at the last business day of the particular month.

8 Seasonally adjusted at an annual rate.

9 Deficit -, surplus +.

10 Excluding discount.

11 Source: Statistics South Africa.

12 Source: National Association of Automobile Manufacturers of SA.

13 Source: Bond Exchange of South Africa.

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14 Changes in the net reserves of the SA Reserve Bank also include valuation adjustments in respect of the assets and short-term liabilities of the SA Reserve Bank.

15 Up to end February 2004 referred to as the "Net open position in foreign currency of the Reserve Bank".

16 See page S22 of the *Quarterly Bulletin* regarding the definition of P1 credit extension.

17 Transactions against the Rand.

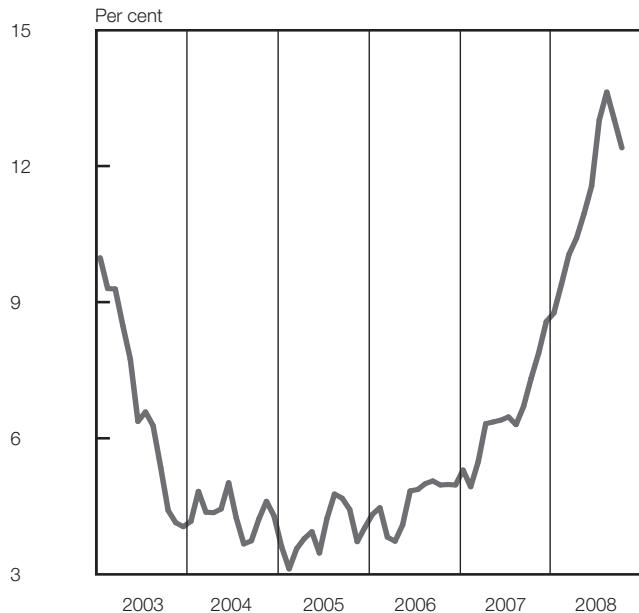
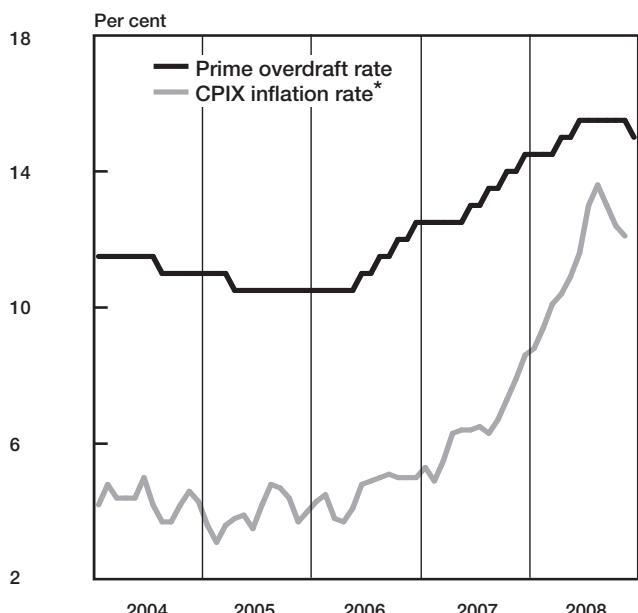
18 The weighted-average exchange rate of the rand is calculated against fifteen currencies. The weights of the five major currencies are in brackets: Euro (34,82), US dollar (14,88), Chinese yuan (12,49), British pound (10,71), Japanese yen (10,12).

19 Cost -, profit +.

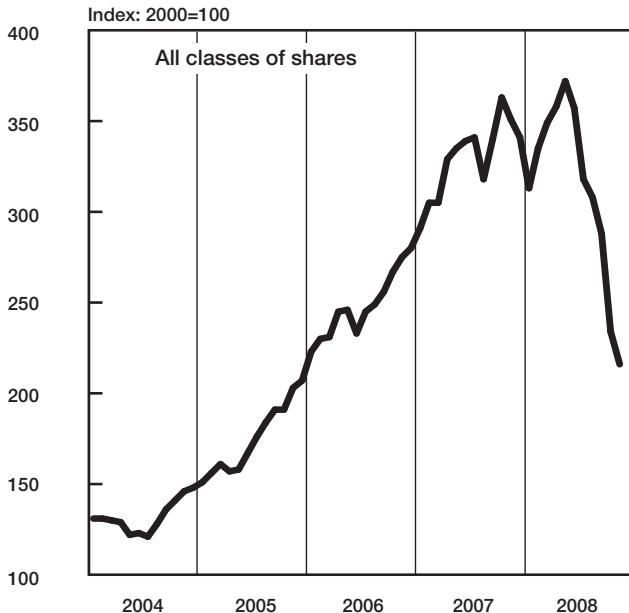
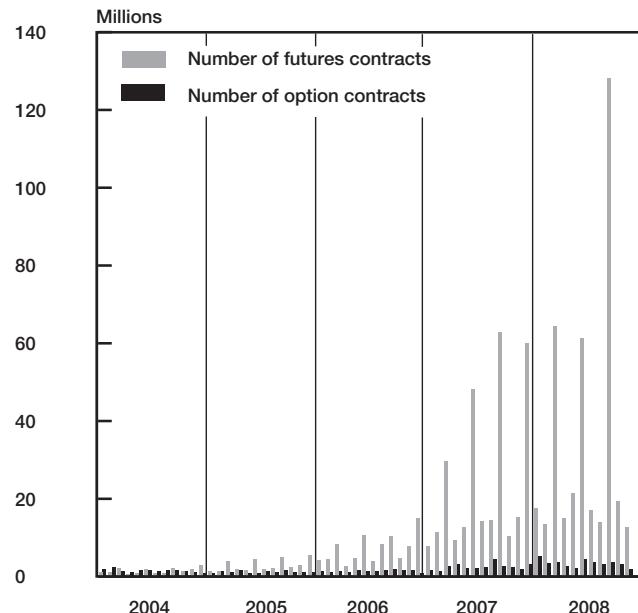
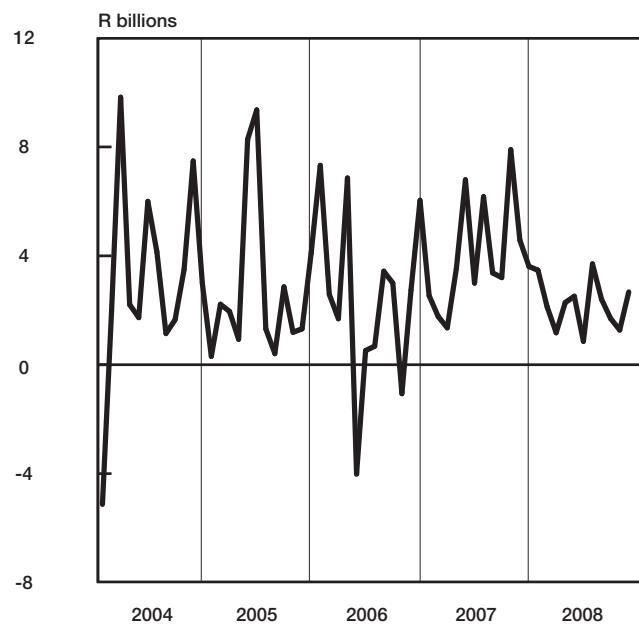
20 Transactions in third currencies refers to transactions between any two currencies other than the South African rand.

21 The gold reserves are valued at market price taken at 14:30 on each valuation date.

22 From May 2004 including RSA Government Retail Bond.

CPIX**Prime overdraft and CPIX inflation rate**

* Overall consumer price index for metropolitan and other urban areas, excluding interest rates on mortgage bonds

Share prices**Derivative market - options and futures****Change in total net gold and other foreign reserves****National government finance (adjusted for cash flows)**