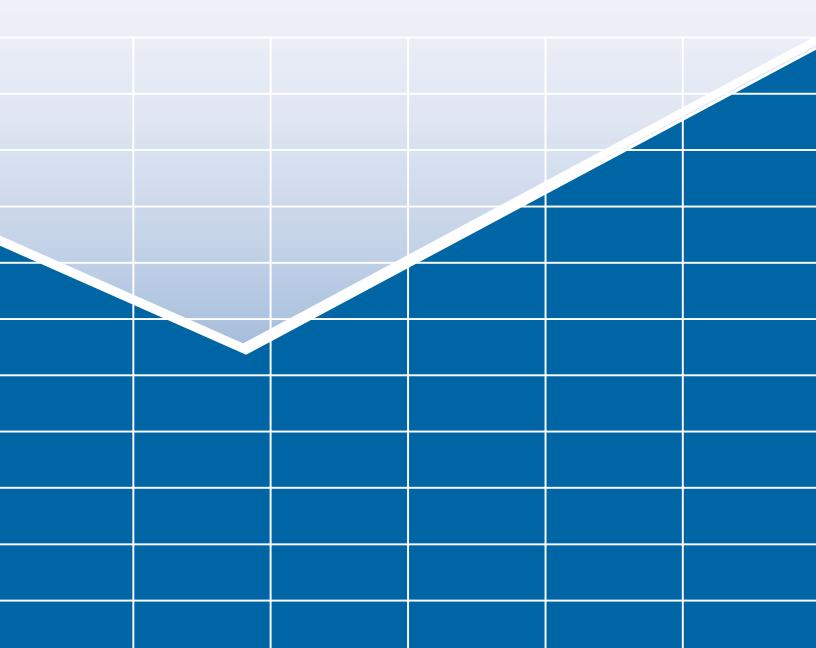
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#### **REVIEW OF ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL DEVELOPMENTS**

#### **JULY 2010**

#### **OVERVIEW**

#### Evidence of a global economic recovery mounted in the first quarter of 2010, especially among emerging markets economies...

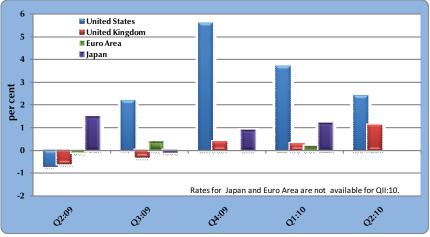
Among advanced countries, the US economy expanded at a slower pace of 2.4 per cent (quarter-on-quarter) in the second quarter of 2010 following growth of 3.7 per cent and 5.0 per cent in the previous two quarters (Chart I). The Euro zone and Japan also grew by 0.2 per cent and 1.2 per cent, respectively. Economic activity in the United Kingdom (UK) increased by 0.3 per cent in the first quarter and 1.1 per cent in the second quarter of 2010. Much of the growth remained dependent on fiscal stimulus measures as private sector demand stayed weak and unemployment rates relatively high. Monetary policy has also been actively supportive with interest rates falling to record lows.

The heavy reliance on the public sector for sustaining economic activity has naturally come at a cost for current and future taxpayers in the form of servicing rising public debt. The International Monetary Fund (IMF) estimates that as a per cent of GDP, the central government net debt of the US, UK and Japan could substantially increase to 66.2 per cent, 71.6 per cent and 121.7 per cent, respectively in 2010. In December 2009, these ratios were recorded at 58.3 per cent, 61.5 per cent and 111.6 per cent, respectively.

#### Asian emerging market economies continued to exhibit the most vigorous economic growth...

In the first quarter of 2010, China's economy accelerated at its fastest pace in three years, growing by 11.9 per cent (year-on-year), followed by a 10.3 per cent expansion in the second quarter. India's economy also registered strong growth, increasing by 8.6 per cent. In contrast to the advanced economies, the recoveries in these markets were largely driven by private sector demand.





Source: Bloomberg.

#### The performance of Latin America and the Caribbean (LAC) economies has been uneven although most countries show some expansion...

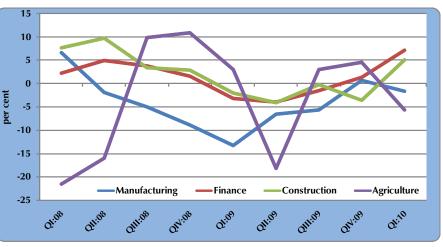
Latest available data show that Brazil posted growth of 9.0 per cent while Mexico expanded by 4.3 per cent yearon-year during the first quarter of 2010. Both outcomes were attributed to higher industrial activity. In contrast, Venezuela recorded its fourth consecutive quarterly contraction of 5.8 per cent in the first quarter of 2010.

Within CARICOM, the rate of decline of the Barbadian and Jamaican economies has slowed. Despite a pick-up in tourism, the economy of Barbados contracted by 1.0 per cent during the first half of 2010, a much slower rate than the 7.1 per cent contraction in the first half of 2009. Meanwhile, real GDP in the Jamaican economy fell by 1.0 per cent in the first quarter of 2010, compared with a 2.2 per cent decline recorded in the previous three months. The OECS is estimated to have contracted by 7.3 per cent in 2009, with a further decline of 4.1 per cent in the first quarter of 2010. On the other hand, in Guyana most sectors expanded during the first quarter of 2010.

Domestically, there are signs that the decline in economic activity may be leveling off, but most of the expansion to date remains energy-based...

According to the Central Bank's quarterly GDP estimates, the economy grew by 2.3 per cent in the first quarter of 2010 (Chart II). This would represent the second consecutive trimester of growth after continuous quarterly contractions between October 2009 and September 2010. Similar to the fourth quarter of 2009, the growth was however concentrated in the energy sector, which grew by an estimated 5.5 per cent. Performance of the non-energy sector meanwhile was relatively flat in the first three months of 2010, following steady declines throughout 2009.

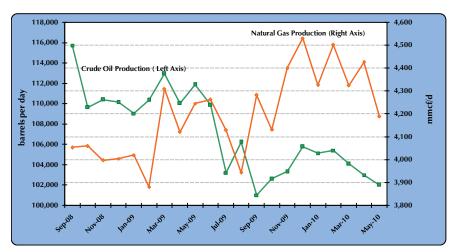




Source: The Central Bank of Trinidad & Tobago.

The expansion in the energy sector was primarily due to increased production of natural gas and petrochemicals which overshadowed lower output of crude oil, liquefied natural gas and refined petroleum products (Charts III and IV). At March 2010, natural gas output in the first quarter was 6.9 per cent greater than in the first quarter of 2009 while crude oil production was 5.4 per cent less over the same period. Fertilizer output rose by 26.9 per cent and methanol production by 13.5 per cent in January-March 2010 relative to January-March 2009.

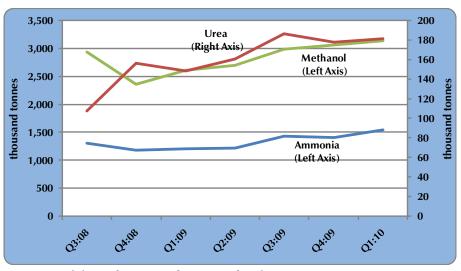
With respect to petrochemicals, the commissioning of the ammonia plant at the Methanol Holdings Trinidad Limited (MHTL) Ammonia Urea Melamine (AUM) complex helped to boost fertilizer production. At the same time, the maturation of oil fields continued to have a dampening effect on production in the absence of fresh oil discoveries.





Source: Ministry of Energy and Energy Industries.





Source: Ministry of Energy and Energy Industries.

Within non-energy, the results were mixed and consequently, it is still too early to establish that a firm broad-based recovery has taken hold...

On the positive side, it is estimated that real value added in several sectors increased - for example (i) finance, because of buoyancy in financial intermediation particularly among banks; (iii) electricity, due to larger requirements for energy-based companies, including plants at the AUM Complex; and (iii) construction, based on an increase in sales of cement and production of sand and gravel compared to the first quarter of 2009 (Chart V).

On the other hand, the available data suggest that the declines in several other sectors during 2009, including distribution and transportation, have not been reversed. Indications are that agricultural production was particularly hard hit by the adverse weather conditions since the start of 2010 which spilled over into some food processing companies within manufacturing.

The latest official statistics show that the unemployment rate was just over 5 per

#### cent at the end of 2009, while the pace of new retrenchments may have slowed in 2010...

In comparison with 2008, dimmer employment prospects in 2009 discouraged additional persons from actively looking for work. By the end of 2009, the unemployment rate reached 5.1 per cent of the labour force, down from 5.8 per cent in the previous three months but surpassing the end-2008 rate of 3.9 per cent (Chart VI).

With overall economic activity outside of the energy sector still subdued in early 2010, it is unlikely that employment opportunities would have recovered by the first half of this year. Nonetheless, data from the Ministry of Labour which point to a large drop in the number of retrenchments - 411 persons in January/May 2010 compared to 2,071 in the same period of 2009 - suggest that the phase of business restructuring to streamline the use of labour could be tapering off. Based on data from collective agreements registered in 2009 with the Industrial Court, nominal wage increases averaged around 3.5 per cent per year in 2009 and 2010.

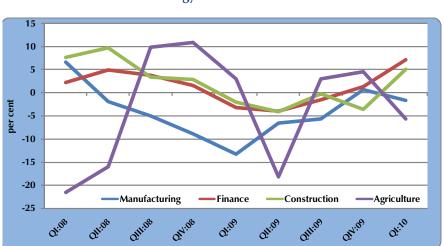
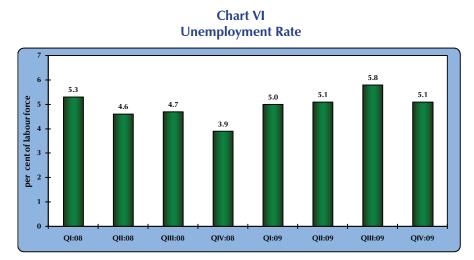


Chart V Non-Energy Sectoral GDP Growth

Source: The Central Bank of Trinidad & Tobago.



Source: The Central Statistical Office of Trinidad and Tobago.

## On a cash basis, the central government's fiscal operations performed better than expected in the first eight months of fiscal year 2010...

The fiscal accounts recorded a deficit of \$78 million in the October 2009 to May 2010 period. This was substantially lower than the \$1,694.3 million deficit of the year-earlier period. Compared with the budget estimates for FY2009/10 (October-September), actual revenue has been running at a higher pace than envisaged. The Ministry of Finance estimates that total revenue for the first eight months of the fiscal year was over \$3 billion more than anticipated for this period.

Most of the higher revenue was related to petroleum prices that were larger than forecasted at the time the budget was prepared—oil prices averaged US\$76.58 per barrel compared with the budgeted price of US\$55 per barrel. On the other hand, the weakening of the non-energy tax base has adversely affected collections from the non-energy sector, notably from the Value Added Tax and international trade taxes. The pace of recorded expenditure, particularly on capital projects, has also been somewhat slower than expected. Ministry of Finance officials, however, caution that the settlement of outstanding payments to suppliers could boost cash outlays towards the end of the fiscal year.

A worrying development is the surge in headline inflation in early 2010, which has complicated the conduct of monetary policy...

Headline inflation gathered considerable steam since the start of 2010, rising from 1.3 per cent (year-on-year) in December 2009 to 13.7 per cent by June 2010. The increase was due principally to initial drought and subsequent flooding which adversely affected supplies of locally grown produce. This has clearly affected the price of foodstuffs which has risen by an estimated 31 per cent. While the trend in food inflation is not surprising, the Central Statistical Office in collaboration with the International Monetary Fund will soon be conducting an exercise to more closely examine the reasons behind this excessive volatility.

Core inflation meanwhile was relatively stable in January-June 2010, with the main (year-on-year) price increases related to earlier tax hikes on alcohol and tobacco and rises in the cost of rent and transport. Nonetheless, the double-digit headline numbers could affect inflationary expectations and future price as well as wage setting behaviour. The decline in headline inflation in 2009 created the room for a loosening of monetary policy to help stimulate a revival of credit demand in the context of an economic contraction. By mid 2010, however, the Central Bank faces the

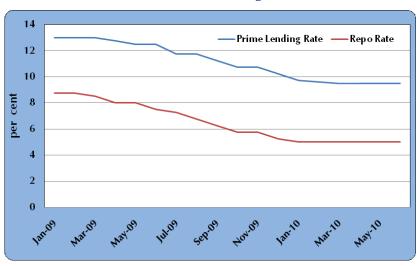
dilemma of continuing to foster a revival

of the economy while simultaneously addressing a jump in headline inflation.

### Monetary policy has remained broadly accommodative but private sector credit demand has not yet revived...

In January, the Central Bank reduced its repo rate to 5.0 per cent. The Bank kept it at that level into July 2010, balancing concerns about rising inflation with the need to stimulate the economy. Commercial banks have in turn lowered their lending rates, particularly on mortgage loans (Chart VII). Nonetheless, the level of outstanding

Chart VII Repo Rate and Commercial Banks' Basic Prime Lending Rate



Source: The Central Bank of Trinidad & Tobago.

private sector credit to businesses and individuals has continued to fall (Chart VIII), except in the category of home mortgages. With aneamic credit demand, commercial banks have generally maintained high liquidity positions while interbank loan rates have declined from 1.99 per cent in January to 1.60 per cent in mid-July 2010. With an increase in the competition for government short-term paper related to limited investment alternatives, the three month treasury bill rate fell from 1.34 per cent in January 2010 to 0.97 per cent in July.



Chart VIII Credit to the Private Sector by the Consolidated Financial System (Year-on-Year Per Cent Change)

Source: The Central Bank of Trinidad & Tobago.

There has been some renewed interest in the stock market in the first half of 2010...

The main stock market indices, the Composite Price (CPI) and All Trinidad and Tobago (ATI), both increased in the six months to June (Chart IX). Overall, trading activity rose by 29.7 per cent in the year to end-June. Meanwhile, the primary bond market remained denominated by public sector issues. In the high liquidity environment, most of these issues were over-subscribed, pushing down further the yield curve on government paper.



Source: The Trinidad & Tobago Stock Exchange.

On the external front, the current account strengthened during the first quarter and international reserves increased...

Following three consecutive quarterly deficits, the external current account moved into a US\$963 million surplus in January-March 2010. The revival of petroleum and petrochemical prices in recent months has helped to boost earnings from energy-

based exports. Moreover, there has not been a commensurate rise in imports, consistent with the subdued state of local demand. Overall, there was a surplus on the balance of payments of the order of US\$ 137 million. Gross official reserves rose to US\$8,788.4 million at the end of March 2010, equivalent to approximately 12 months of prospective imports of goods and non-factor services.

#### OUTLOOK

The short-term outlook for the economy of Trinidad and Tobago is uncertain and will be dependent on the strength of the ongoing global recovery and the level of fiscal support that the Government will be able to provide. It is reasonable to expect that for the next several months, the level of external demand will continue to facilitate expansion of the petrochemical sector at current price levels. On this basis, even if the non-energy sector remains flat, real GDP growth for the year as a whole should reach 1 to 1.5 per cent. The continued stagnation in the non-energy sector could, however, have adverse consequences for unemployment which could easily rise to the 6 - 6.5 per cent range.

A strong recovery of the non-energy sector will be the key to a faster rate of growth of output and employment in 2011. While monetary conditions could contribute through a much sharper reduction in bank lending rates, the original impulse will need to come from the public sector. In this context, the FY 2011 budget will be challenged to secure the right balance between the need for maintaining an adequate level of capital expenditure and stimulating business activity with the medium-term objective of fiscal consolidation. Urgent energy tax reform to encourage oil and gas exploration and the need to maintain or expand poverty alleviation programmes will further complicate fiscal policy.

As noted above, the sharp rise in headline inflation will present additional challenges for economic policy. Continued increases in food prices will certainly affect wage demands and other price setting behavior and could soon be reflected in core inflation. In these circumstances, monetary policy would need to be more active in the fight against inflation. Of course, higher interest rates could choke off a recovery that is not well entrenched.

#### **GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT**

The continued improvement in the energy sector was responsible for another quarter of positive economic growth. Provisional estimates indicate that, on a year-on-year basis, the domestic economy grew by 2.3 per cent in the first quarter of 2010. This reflected higher output in the energy sector which overshadowed the flat performance of the non-energy sector (see Chart 1 and Table 1). In the previous quarter, there was an overall increase in real GDP of 0.6 per cent.

#### **Energy Sector**

production Higher of natural gas and petrochemicals drove the 5.5 per cent rise in energy sector real GDP. The petrochemical sub-sector, in particular, expanded by 20.0 per cent. This performance reflected significant improvements in the output of fertilizers (26.9 per cent) and methanol (13.5 per cent) following depressed demand during the first quarter of 2009. The commissioning of the ammonia plant at the Methanol Holdings Trinidad Limited (MTHL) Ammonia Urea

Melamine (AUM) complex also precipitated a surge in fertilizer production.

**Overall, exploration and production in the energy sector rose despite slipping oil production.** Higher natural gas production (6.9 per cent) overshadowed a reduction in crude oil production (5.4 per cent). The rise in natural gas output was enhanced by the commissioning of the energy plants at the MTHL AUM complex. Marketing and distribution also experienced growth (5.6 per cent) resulting from a rise in natural gas utilization (6.8 per cent). In contrast, refining activities waned due to declines in refinery throughput (14.3 per cent) and LNG production (1.8 per cent).

#### **Non Energy Sector**

There are tentative signs that the decline in the non-energy sector may have levelled off. Non-energy GDP contracted consistently throughout 2009 and recorded no growth in the first quarter of 2010. However, the situation was not consistent across sectors.

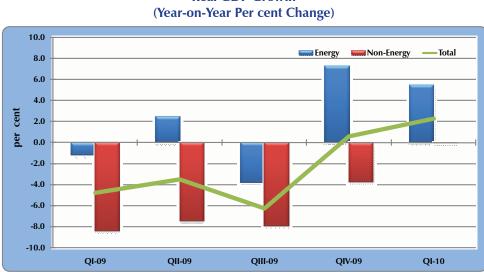


Chart 1 Real GDP Growth (Year-on-Year Per cent Change)

Source: The Central Bank of Trinidad & Tobago.

There were encouraging indicators in some activities. The finance, insurance and real estate sector is estimated to have grown by 7.2 per cent. Construction meanwhile expanded by 5.1 per cent, with one measure of performance, local sales of cement, increasing by 3.2 per cent. Despite water production enduring a 12.8 per cent slump due to severe drought conditions, electricity production grew by 13.0 per cent aided by the commissioning of the energy plants at the MHTL AUM complex. Consequently, the 'electricity and water' sub-sector is estimated to have grown by 8.5 per cent overall.

**Economic activity remained subdued in several areas.** The distribution sector posted a small decline of 1.4 per cent mainly reflecting weak retail sales. The transport, storage and telecommunications sector also shrank by 3.5 per cent. Agricultural output was hard hit by the drought in the first quarter and is estimated to have dropped by 5.7 per cent—National Agricultural and Marketing Development Corporation (NAMDEVCO) data show a large decline in the quantity of tomatoes, cucumbers, melongene and other vegetable and root crops put on the market.

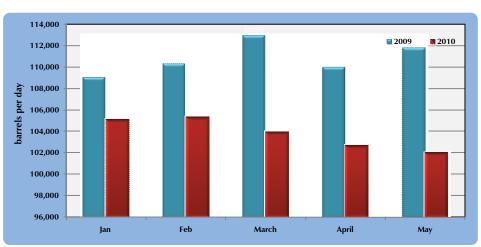
**Excess capacity is still high in the manufacturing sector.** The rate of capacity utilization in the first quarter is estimated at 62.6 per cent, 3.9 per cent lower than in the same period of 2009 (see Appendix IIa for details). Manufacturing output contracted by 1.7 per cent during the first quarter mainly due to lower output in the food, drink and tobacco sub-sector.

#### DOMESTIC PRODUCTION

#### Petroleum

#### **Exploration Activity**

For most of the first half of 2010, drilling activity was higher than a year earlier but remained depressed by historical standards. Total depth drilled in the first five months of 2010 measured 88.8 thousand feet compared with 30.3 thousand feet for the same period a year ago - an increase of 193 per cent. A resurgence of drilling activity on land saw the average number of rig days rising by 75.7 per cent to 96.8





Source: Ministry of Energy and Energy Industries.

days. Nine wells were completed in the first five months of 2010, four of which were oil wells.

Most operators are apparently awaiting the introduction of new fiscal incentives before fully committing to new exploration. This assessment is based in part on the Energy Chamber's Energy Services Sector Survey (ESSS) for the first quarter of 2010. According to this survey, close to 80 per cent of respondents reported a decline in the value and volume of their business. A slightly smaller percentage expected a continued reduction in business during the second quarter.

#### Production and Exports

Consistent with ageing oilfields, oil production continued along a downward path in 2010. During January-May 2010, crude oil production (including condensate) averaged 103,913 barrels per day (b/d). This represented a decrease of 6.7 per cent from the corresponding period of 2009 (see Chart 2). Similarly, in the first five months of 2010, crude oil exports totaled 7,278.9 thousand barrels, 12.6 per cent lower than in the same period of 2009.

#### **Box 1: Natural Gas Industry Developments**

- Canadian company Suncor Energy is selling its natural gas assets in Trinidad and Tobago to Centrica Plc, another foreign firm, for \$US380 million. Suncor's 17.3 per cent stake in Trinidad's NCMA 1 affords the company around 60 – 70 million cubic feet of natural gas equivalent per day.
- The National Gas Company (NGC) has awarded the Amor Group a contract to design and install a gas management system for the Cross-Island Pipeline system at a cost of US\$750,000. The pipeline was completed in December 2005 and can transport up to 2.4 billion cubic feet per day of gas. The new gas management system will increase efficiency of the pipeline system.
- NGC has awarded a contract to Netherlands-based Allseas for the installation of two offshore natural gas pipelines. The lines will send gas from new production fields off Trinidad's northeast coast to industrial plants in Trinidad and Tobago.

#### Refining

**Refining activities at Petrotrin's Pointea-Pierre refinery fell markedly as maintenance work commenced in March 2010.** Refinery throughput averaged 127.3 thousand b/d during the first five months of 2010, a reduction of 17.1 per cent relative to the year earlier period. As a consequence, crude imports which usually make up the shortfall from domestic oil supplies, fell drastically. Crude oil imports totalled 9,959.4 thousand barrels compared with 15,358.4 thousand barrels – a fall of 35.1 per cent. Natural gas production and utilization increased in early 2010. Production increased to 4,352.8 mmcf/d<sup>1</sup> a rise of 2.1 per cent over the previous five months, while utilization grew by 3.1 per cent to an average of 4,028.4 mmcf/d (see Chart 3 and Table 4). These rates also represented increases (4.6 per cent and 5.7 per cent respectively) over those achieved during the same period last year. Chart 4 provides details of how the natural gas was used while Box 1 outlines some recent industry developments.

**Natural Gas and Petrochemicals** 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Million cubic feet per day.

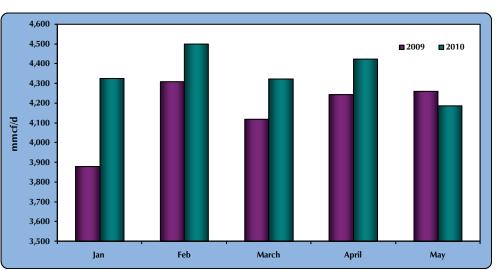


Chart 3 Natural Gas Production

Source: Ministry of Energy and Energy Industries.

#### **Liquefied Natural Gas**

**LNG output fell marginally during the first five months of 2010.** Total production, which amounted to 14,058.3 thousand cubic meters (m3), was down 1.7 per cent from the previous period and 1.6 per cent below production during the analogous period in 2009 (see Table 4). An examination of output from Trains 1, 2 and 3 reveals that the US and Spain purchased large amounts of Trinidad and Tobago's LNG (38.2 per cent and 29.9 per cent respectively) during the period, with smaller quantities going to Chile (5.9 per cent), the UK (5.4 per cent), Argentina (5.2 per cent) and Puerto Rico (4.7 per cent). Other buyers included Korea, India and Turkey.

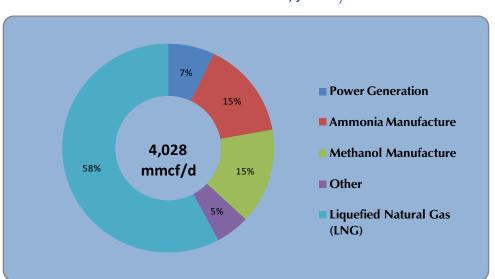


Chart 4 Natural Gas Utilization Sector, Jan-May 2010

Source: Ministry of Energy and Energy Industries.

#### Ammonia, Urea and Methanol

Activity in the ammonia and urea industry improved in early 2010. Ammonia production grew to 2,446.6 thousand tonnes in the first five months, a 17.7 per cent increase over production for the same period last year. The amount exported over the period totalled 2,336.8 thousand tonnes, a 27.3 per cent increase over exports in the five months to May 2009. These increases partly reflected additional output from the new AUM Project since its commissioning in mid April last year. Meanwhile urea production grew by 9.2 per cent in January-May 2010 relative to the same period in 2009. Available data show that methanol production for the first five months of 2010 was 2,541.7 thousand tonnes, a 5.6 per cent growth over the same period last year.

#### **Other Products**

#### Iron and Steel

The local iron and steel sector continued to recover during the first quarter of 2010. Stronger global demand has facilitated increased production at local plants and higher exports. During the first quarter of

#### LABOUR MARKET

The rate of unemployment measured 5.1 per cent of the labour force at the end of 2009. This represented an improvement from the 5.8 per cent in September 2009 (see Chart 5). However, it was above the 3.9 per cent recorded at the end of the previous year (see Table 12). The rise in the unemployment rate between the four quarters of 2008 and 2009 was accompanied by a fall in the participation rate from 64.1 to 61.9 per cent per cent. In this regard, it is likely that a reduction in job openings discouraged workers from putting themselves on the active job market.

The unemployment rate in most sectors rose but the increase was particularly high in construction. Here the rate increased to 10.1 per cent at the end of 2009 from 7.4 2010, the production of direct reduced iron (DRI) jumped by 29.5 per cent from the fourth quarter to reach 488.8 thousand tonnes. At the same time, production of billets measured 144.8 thousand tonnes representing an increase of 14.2 per cent from the previous quarter's total. Wire rods production increased 31.6 per cent to 85.0 thousand tonnes during the period (see Table 6).

#### Agriculture

Available data point to a general decline in production of major food crops in 2009 relative to 2008. Large declines were recorded for several items including melongene (-48.7 per cent), cabbage (-45.1 per cent) and cucumber (-12.4 per cent) (see Table 8). These outcomes were mostly weather-related, as flood waters destroyed a significant amount of farmers' crops. However, a few crops recorded increases in 2009. These included dasheen (18.2 per cent) and pigeon peas (8.5 per cent). According to information from the National Agricultural Marketing Development Corporation (NAMDEVCO) local agricultural production during the first quarter of 2010 was severely affected by adverse weather conditions.

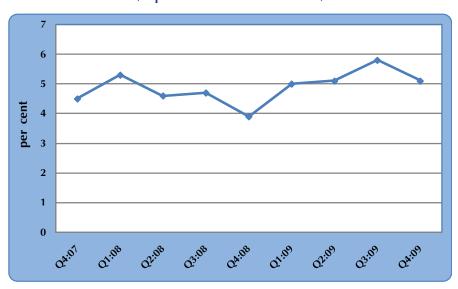
per cent a year earlier. This is indicative of the completion and postponement of several major government projects (See Chart 6) for the sectoral distribution of employment.

Job losses in 2009 were concentrated amongmales, although the unemployment rate for males remained lower than among females. The male unemployment rate moved from 3.0 per cent in the fourth quarter of 2008 to 4.5 per cent at the end of 2009. Over the same period, female unemployment rose from 5.2 per cent to 5.9 per cent. Most of the increase in male unemployment was attributed to the slowdown in the construction sector.

Younger persons were also more liable to fall into the ranks of the unemployed. Not

only did unemployment in 2009 rise among the 15-19 age group but this segment also showed a greater tendency to withdraw from actively seeking jobs. On the other hand, persons 50 and over experienced falling unemployment rates perhaps because their longer tenure and experience made them less susceptible to lay offs.

Chart 5 Unemployment Rate (in per cent of the Labour Force)



Source: The Central Statistical Office of Trinidad and Tobago.

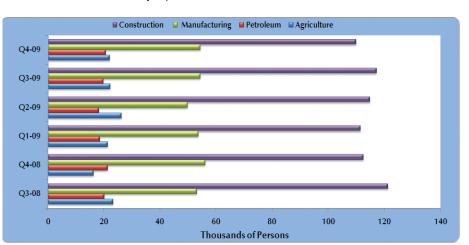


Chart 6 Employment - Selected Sub-sectors

Source: The Central Statistical Office of Trinidad and Tobago.

#### PRICES

#### **Consumer Prices**

Following significant deceleration in 2009, headline inflation, driven by food prices, surged in 2010. From a historic low of 1.3 per cent (year-on-year) in December 2009, headline inflation rose to 3.7 per cent in January 2010 (see Chart 7). A large part of the January outcome was related to a delayed adjustment of the Retail Prices Index (RPI) to incorporate earlier increases in fuel and lubricant prices. By March 2010, headline inflation accelerated to 5.1 per cent as severe weather conditions caused the supply of some domestic agricultural commodities to dwindle. The situation was exacerbated in subsequent months with drought giving way to heavy floods. By June, food inflation reached a year-on-year rate of 31.1 per cent, pushing headline inflation to 13.7 per cent.

From all accounts, agricultural production has been severely affected. The onset of drought conditions saw the implementation of water restrictions by the Water and Sewerage Authority (WASA) in February 2010. The ban on the extraction of surface water from several of the nation's main water courses contributed to a shortfall of agricultural produce. Later on, the return of the rains created a new challenge in the form of flooding. As a result, the yearon-year increase in the price of fruits and vegetables reached 48.0 per cent and 51.9 per cent by June 2010. (see Chart 8). Data from the National Agricultural Marketing and Development Corporation (NAMDEVCO) confirmed the steep decline in agricultural produce brought to market in the early months of 2010.

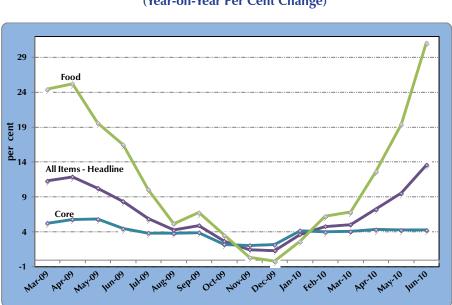


Chart 7 Index of Retail Prices (Year-on-Year Per Cent Change)

Source: The Central Statistical Office of Trinidad and Tobago.

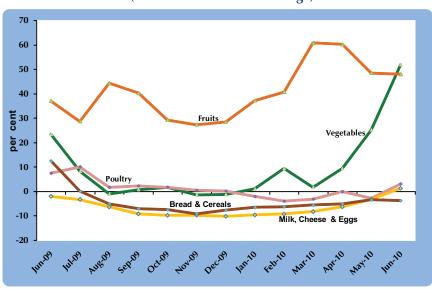
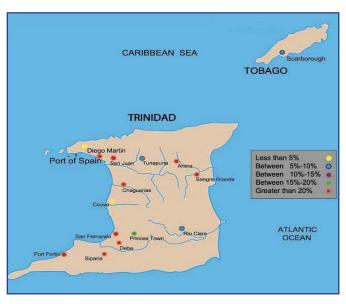


Chart 8 Components of the Food Sub-Index of the RPI (Year-on-Year Per Cent Change)

Source: The Central Statistical Office of Trinidad and Tobago.

The increases in food prices appeared to be particularly steep along the east-west corridor and some pockets in southern Trinidad. For example, food inflation was in excess of 20 per cent in Arima, San Juan, Chaguanas, Sangre Grande, Siparia, Diego Martin and Debe. However, smaller increases occurred in Tobago, Couva and Diego Martin (see Chart 9). **Meanwhile, core inflation, which excludes food prices, remained relatively stable.** After measuring 2.2 per cent in December 2009, core inflation reached 4.2 per cent in January due to the aforementioned adjustment to lubricant prices. It hovered around this level into June 2010. The categories which displayed upward price pressures included: transport (11.8 per

Chart 9 Food Inflation Rate by Area for the Month of June 2010 (Year-on-Year Per Cent Change)



Source: The Central Statistical Office of Trinidad and Tobago.

cent); recreation and culture (7.8 per cent) and alcoholic beverages and tobacco (12.2 per cent). The key contributory factors included: higher sales prices for new motor vehicles; the impact of higher jet fuel prices on airfare costs; and an increase in alcohol and tobacco taxes in September 2009.

#### **Wholesale Prices**

The relatively small increases in producer prices support the notion that underlying inflationary pressures, apart from food, remain weak. In the twelve months to June 2010, wholesale prices (as measured by the Index of Producers' Prices) rose by 3.1 per cent. The larger price increases occurred in the Printing, Publishing and Paper Converters (11.2 per cent); Drink and Tobacco (6.7 per cent) and Food Processing (5.6 per cent) industry groups (see Table 11). Some of the factors behind these increases included the 26.9 per cent rise in the selling price of domestic daily newspapers; the rise in alcohol taxes since September 2009; and higher prices of agricultural inputs for food processing companies.

#### **Construction Costs**

Construction costs continued on a downward path. According to the Index of Retail Prices of Building Materials, the cost of building materials fell by 5.6 per cent on a year-on-year basis to March 2010 (see Table 11b). Some of the larger declines were observed in the prices for site preparation, structure and concrete frame (-9.5 per cent), walls and roofing (-6.6 per cent) and finishing, joinery unit, painting and external works (-5.6 per cent). The completion of several large public sector construction projects combined with a slowdown in private real estate development could help to keep construction costs from turning upwards in the short run.

#### **CENTRAL GOVERNMENT FISCAL OPERATIONS**

The central government's fiscal operations performed better than expected in the first eight months of fiscal year 2010. The deficit of \$77.9 million was much lower than recorded over the same period one year earlier (\$1,694.3 million (see Table A). This favourable out-turn was due in part to higher than budgeted oil prices and the collection of back taxes from an audit exercise, which helped to boost revenue. There were also delays in the pace of outlays for the capital programme, although it should be noted that payments for several projects may not yet have been brought to account.

#### Revenue

Total revenue improved relative to budget estimates and from the same period one

**year earlier.** Actual oil prices averaged US\$76.58 per barrel (WTI) compared with the budgeted price of US\$55 per barrel (WTI). This, coupled with the completion of an audit exercise, which resulted in collection of petroleum tax arrears, bolstered the flow of revenue<sup>2</sup>. The rise in oil prices above budget estimates led to a transfer into the Heritage and Stabilization Fund of \$659.8 million, in April 2010.

Non-tax revenue has compensated for the impact of the economic slowdown on tax collections from the non-energy sector. There has been a persistent decline in Value Added Tax (VAT) collections and international trade taxes, symptomatic of the overall slowdown of domestic demand. These declines, however, were offset by stronger than anticipated collections from

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The improved energy receipts were also reflected in the movement of the Energy Commodities Prices Index (ECPI) which rose by 22.6 per cent on a year-on-year basis to June 2010 (see Appendix IIb).

equity injections from the Central Bank (\$920.2 million), interest income (\$119.5 million) and profits from state enterprises (\$851.2 million).

#### Expenditure

**The pace of central government spending remained subdued.** Total expenditure for the period October 2009 to May 2010 was \$26,194.5 million, which was lower than the corresponding period in fiscal year 2009. This shortfall was reflected in most of the major categories of expenditure. The capital programme has been hindered by set-backs in the procurement of associated goods and services. It is likely that the pace of the capital programme will quicken in the coming months with signs being observed already in the month of May 2010. Capital expenditure in May 2010 amounted to \$596.1 million, a faster pace than over the previous seven months.

#### **Central Government Debt**

At the end of March 2010, central government debt amounted to \$28,832.4 million, an increase of \$3,688.2 million above the end of 2009. Most of this

	•					
	Oct. 2009–	Oct. 2008-	Oct. 2009-			
_	Sep. 2010	May 2009	May 2010			
	Budgeted	Actual	Actual			
TOTAL REVENUE	36,644.7	25,573.9	26,116.6			
Current Revenue	36,625.8	25,554.5	26,075.2			
Energy Revenue	13,609.0	12,764.0	12,536.4			
Non-Energy Revenue	23,016.8	12,790.5	13,538.8			
Capital Revenue	18.9	19.4	41.4			
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	44,347.3	27,268.2	26,194.5			
Current Expenditure	37,250.1	23,347.4	22,145.3			
Wages and Salaries	7,044.1	4,385.2	4,470.4			
Goods and Services	7,554.4	3,381.2	3,586.3			
Interest Payments	4,408.7	2,343.1	1,959.8			
Transfers and Subsidies	18,242.9	13,237.9	12,128.8			
Capital Expenditure and Net Lending	7,097.2	3,920.8	4,049.2			
Current Account Surplus (+)/Deficit (-)	-624.3	2,207.1	3,929.9			
Overall Surplus (+)/Deficit (-)	-7,702.6	-1,694.3	-77.9			
Net Financing	7,702.6	1,694.3	77.9			
Net Foreign Financing	2,282.6	-130.3	-73.7			
Net Domestic Financing	5,420.0	1,824.6	151.6			
Memo items:						
Non-energy Fiscal Deficit	-21,311.6	-14,458.3	-12,470.7			
Transfers to the HSF	0.0	0.0	659.8			

TABLE A Summary of Central Government Fiscal Operations

Source: Ministry of Finance and Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago.

1. Adjusted for transfers to the Infrastructure Development Fund, Government Assisted Tertiary Education Fund and CARICOM Petroleum Fund.

2. Includes an adjustment for Repayment of Past Lending.

increase was due to a private placement amounting to \$3.1 billion (see Capital Markets Section) which caused the central government domestic debt stock to rise

MONEY, CREDIT AND INTEREST RATES

The Central bank maintained a broadly accommodative monetary policy stance in the first half of 2010. The reporate was lowered in January 2010 by 25 basis points to 5.00 per cent where it has remained to July. This stance reflected a continued concern to stimulate an economic recovery. At the same time, the Central Bank has had to take into account evidence of rising inflation, albeit driven by unusually severe weather conditions.

Prime lending rates have declined, and this has been reflected in interest rates

to \$20,120.6 million. The external debt outstanding for the same period was recorded at US\$1,299.5 million.

**on new loans.** In response to the drop in the repo rate in January, commercial banks reduced their prime lending rates in the subsequent month. As a result, the average prime loan rate declined by thirteen basis points to 9.50 per cent. Rates on new loans also declined. Between December 2009 and April 2010 average rates on new loans moved as follows: on demand loans (from 11.66 per cent to 11.56 per cent); on installment loans (from 13.83 per cent to 12.00 per cent); and on new overdraft facilities (from 17.04 per cent to 15.06 per cent) (see Chart 10).

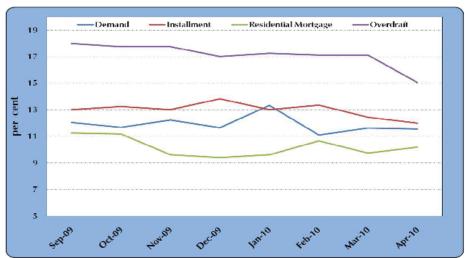


Chart 10 Interest Rates on Selected New Loans

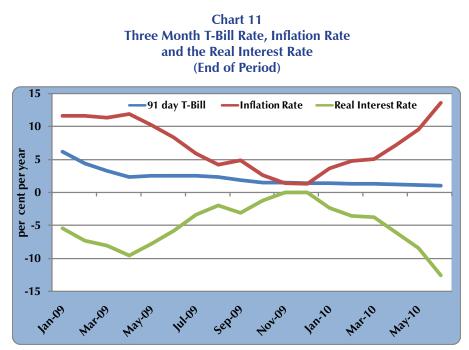
Source: The Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago.

There was a broad based decline in private sector credit with the exception of credit for real estate. Against the backdrop of declining borrowing cost, credit granted by the consolidated financial system fell by 5.0 per cent on a year on year basis to May 2010. This followed a contraction of 3.0 per cent in the previous month.

Business credit declined by 11.2 per cent year on year in May 2010. This reflected reduced lending to the finance, insurance, real estate and business services sector as well as the distribution, manufacturing and construction sectors. Moreover, there was a significant contraction in credit for the purchase of motor vehicles, which account for almost one-quarter of total consumer credit. Nonetheless, there are some signs of resilience in the mortgage market with new real estate mortgage approvals and the value of new mortgage loans growing substantially.

The continued decline in credit expansion and sizeable net fiscal injections contributed to high liquidity in the financial system. The government's operations resulted in a net injection of around \$5,859 million in the year to June. Two central government issues, the proceeds of which were sterilized at the Central Bank – one in February for \$600 million and the other in April for \$794 million – helped to remove some excess liquidity. Nonetheless, commercial bank balances held at the Central Bank in excess of the reserve requirement climbed from an average of \$1,360 million in January to an average of \$3,036 million in June 2010.

**Easy liquidity conditions continued to dampen short-term interest rates.** The interbank rate declined from 1.99 per cent in January 2010 to 1.65 per cent in June and to 1.60 per cent in mid-July. With an increase in the demand for government short-term paper due in part to limited investment alternatives, the three-month treasury bill rate fell from 1.34 per cent in January 2010 to 0.97 per cent in July. This resulted in a narrowing of the spread



Source: The Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago.

between Trinidad and Tobago and United States treasury bill rates from 1.30 per cent to 0.81 per cent.

Weakening interest rates and steepening inflation have made real interest rates even more negative. Real interest rates – calculated as the difference between the nominal interest rate (three month treasurybill rate) and the inflation rate – have plummeted since January 2009, falling from -2.29 per cent to -12.63 per cent in June 2010 (see Chart 11). Other things equal, the decline creates disincentives for savings in domestic fixed rate instruments.

**Rapid growth in monetary aggregates continued into the twelve months to May 2010.** With general interest rates low, there was little incentive for depositors to move funds out of traditional bank deposits. Narrow money, M-1A, (defined as currency in active circulation plus demand deposits) expanded by 31.4 per cent in May 2010 compared with 29.8 per cent in April 2010. While currency in active circulation increased by 13.7 per cent, a more pronounced expansion was observed for demand deposits which increased by 37.2 per cent.

The broader measure of the money supply, also increased. M-2, which includes M-1A plus savings and time deposits, recorded a 19.1 per cent year-on-year expansion in May. This reflected a strong pick up in savings deposits which grew by 28.0 per cent in May 2010, as a number of investors transferred their mutual fund repurchases to deposit accounts. This action followed the announcement by one institution to switch its pricing of an income fund from a fixed to a floating net asset value (NAV<sup>3</sup>) to take effect from January 2010. On the other hand, time deposits declined by 5.5 per cent in May 2010, as investors switched to relatively higher interest bearing financial instruments issued by state enterprises during the first four months of the year.

Meanwhile, M-2\*, which includes foreign currency deposits, grew by a 12-month rate of 17.6 per cent in May. Foreign currency deposits continued to grow

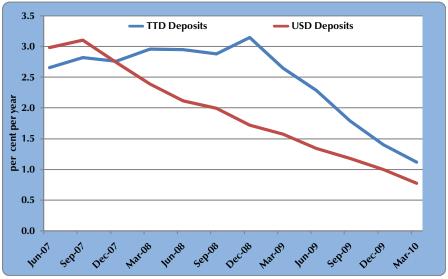


Chart 12 Commercial Banks: US and TT Dollar 6-Month Deposit Interest Rates

Source: The Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The Net Asset Value of a mutual fund unit is generally defined as the market value of the fund assets less liabilities corresponding to the accrued fund expenses, divided by the total number of units outstanding, it is usually calculated daily.

rapidly, by 13.9 per cent (year-on-year) in May 2010. Such growth may be associated with the decline in the differential between deposit rates on domestic relative to foreign currency deposits (see Chart 12).

#### Foreign Exchange Market

The Central Bank sold less foreign exchange to authorised dealers in the first half of 2010 compared to early 2009. Over the period January – June 2010,

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purchases from the public (including energy companies) by authorized foreign exchange dealers totalled US\$1,922.9 million. This compares with US\$1,714.0 million in the same period of 2009 when energy prices were lower. Meanwhile, sales to the public amounted to US\$2,550.6 million, compared with US\$2,679.3 a year earlier. The Central Bank reduced its intervention in the market selling US\$620 million between January – June 2010 compared with US\$963.6 million over the same period one year ago.

#### **Bond Market**

In the first six months of 2010, the primary bond market was dominated by public sector issues. Five of the six bonds were issued by the Central Government and the other by a state enterprise. These bonds carried a collective face value of approximately \$5 billion and compares with the ten bond issues carrying a combined face value of \$3.5 billion in the corresponding period last year (see Table B). Three of the 2010 government issues were transacted via a private placement for a total face value of approximately \$3.1 billion. These bonds were part of a financing package for Colonial

Life Insurance Company (CLICO), an insurance company that was intervened by the Central Bank in January 2009. The other two were issued through public auctions and were heavily over-subscribed. The National Insurance Property Development Company Limited also came to the market, raising \$500 million via a public auction. That was likewise over-subscribed.

Yields at the intermediate to longer end of the government yield curve have traded relatively flat in recent months. Overall by June 2010, the government yield curve had shifted downwards (see Chart 13).

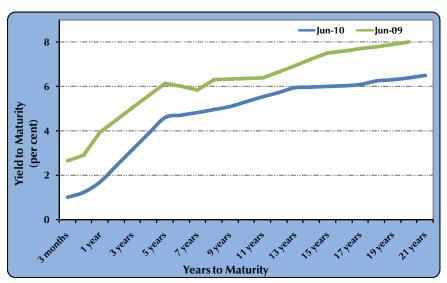


Chart 13 Trinidad and Tobago Government Yield Curve

Source: The Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago.

	January-June 2010											
Period Issued	BORROWER	Face Value (TT \$M)	Period to Maturity	Coupon Rate per annum	Placement Type							
February	Government of Trinidad and Tobago Government of Trinidad and Tobago Government of Trinidad and Tobago Government of Trinidad and Tobago	1,099.97 1,000.00 1,000.00 600.00	17 years 19 years 21 years 15 years	Fixed Rate 6.60% p.a. Fixed Rate 6.70% p.a. Fixed Rate 6.80% p.a. Fixed Rate 6.50% p.a.	Private Private Private Auction							
March	National Insurance Property Development Company Ltd (NIPDEC)	500.00	18 years	Fixed Rate 6.25% p.a.	Auction							
April	Government of Trinidad and Tobago	794.00	13 years	Fixed Rate 5.95% p.a.	Auction							

#### TABLE B Primary Bond Market<sup>1</sup> January-June 2010

Source: The Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago.

<sup>1</sup> Represents fixed income securities with terms five years and over.

#### Stock Market

Following bearish market conditions for most of 2009, the local stock market gained some upward momentum in the first half of 2010 (see Chart 14). Over the period January to June 2010, the Composite Price Index (CPI) was up 61.9 points or 8.1 per cent, while the All Trinidad and Tobago (ATI) index gained 73.1 points or 6.6 per cent. The Cross Listed Index also performed favourably, increasing by 11.3 per cent over the period. As a result of the buoyant market, market capitalization rose to \$75.4 billion at the end of June 2010 from \$70.6 billion at the end of 2009.

Among the better performing sub-indices were the Banking, Manufacturing I<sup>4</sup> and Conglomerate sectors. The Manufacturing II<sup>5</sup> and Trading sub-indices were the only indices to produce negative returns, declining by 10.6 per cent and 1.5 per cent, respectively during the first six months of 2010. The sharp decline in Manufacturing II was due to a 15.6 per cent drop in the price of Trinidad Cement Limited during the period, as the company posted lackluster financial results in the first quarter of the year.

With investor confidence seemingly returning to the stock market, trading activity was also higher. This increase in trading activity relative to 2009 may be due to investors seeking higher returns given the low yields on traditional bank deposits and government paper. Over the period January to June 2010, a total of 46.7 million shares were traded with a combined market value of \$454.8 million compared with 36 million shares at a value of \$922.5 million in the first six months of 2009. Trading was concentrated in the Non-banking and Banking sectors, with these sub-indices accounting for 42.8 per cent and 23.9 per cent, respectively of total trading activity.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Manufacturing I includes Angostura Holdings Limited, One Caribbean Media Limited, National Flour Mills Limited, Trinidad Publishing Company Limited, Unilever Caribbean Limited, and West Indian Tobacco Company Limited.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Manufacturing II includes Berger Paints Limited, Flavorite Foods Limited, Readymix West Indies Limited, Trinidad Cement Limited.

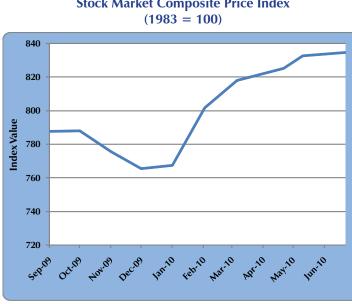


Chart 14 **Stock Market Composite Price Index** 

Source: The Trinidad and Tobago Stock Exchange

#### **Mutual Funds**

Some normalcy returned to the mutual funds industry in the first half of 2010, following the somewhat turbulent end to 2009. Funds under management increased to \$36,804.9 million at the end of the second quarter of 2010, representing a 3.6 per cent rise from \$35,510.1 million at the end of December (see Chart 15). This, however, was insufficient to recover the ground lost in the last quarter of 2009. On a year-on-year basis to June 2010, funds under management declined by 6.3 per cent compared with an increase of 6.7 per cent in June 2009.

Income funds under management contracted by 6.7 per cent in the twelve months to June 2010 compared with robust growth of 14.3 per cent a year earlier. Meanwhile, the pick-up in stock market activity in 2010 has not been reflected in equity funds. On a year-onyear basis to June 2010, equity funds under management contracted by 4.6 per cent to \$3,677.5 million.

US and TT dollar-denominated funds under management both decreased on a year-on-year basis. In the twelve months to June 2010, US dollar funds fell by 12.8 per cent compared with a contraction of 3.7 per cent in the previous quarter and an increase of 3.1 per cent a year earlier. TT dollar denominated funds also retreated by 4.1 per cent year-on-year to June 2010 compared with growth of 0.6 per cent in March and 7.9 per cent one year ago.

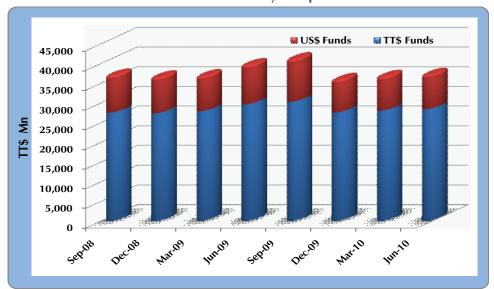


Chart 15 Mutual Funds Currency Composition

Source: The Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago.

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and Tobago's balance of Trinidad payments registered a surplus during the first quarter of 2010. This was based mainly on a merchandise trade surplus related to buoyant prices of energy exports. (see Table C). The \$1.2 billion trade surplus achieved during the first quarter led to an overall surplus on the current account of \$963.2 million, following three consecutive quarters of current account deficits (see Table 31). As at the end of March 2010, gross official reserves rose by \$136.8 million to \$8,788.4 million or 12.1 months of prospective imports of goods and nonfactor services.

Merchandise exports increased by 45.8 per cent in the first quarter of 2010 relative to the previous quarter. Exports of minerals and fuels increased by \$941.6 million to reach \$2.3 billion while chemical exports also increased to \$252.1 million. On the other hand, non-energy exports amounted to \$328.3 million for the first three months of the year, compared with \$429.4 million one quarter earlier. Manufacturing exports increased by just over 12 per cent during the first quarter. Exports of manufactured goods to CARICOM amounted to \$38.6 million for the first quarter of 2010, compared with \$33.7 million one quarter earlier. However, this remained much lower than the \$76.4 million exported over January to March 2009 (see Chart 16).

Merchandise imports were 14 per cent lower in the first quarter of 2010 compared with the previous quarter. However, imports were 7 per cent higher than the amount recorded for the corresponding first quarter of 2009. Energy imports fell by 18.8 per cent during the first quarter of 2010, compared to the previous quarter given lower demand for refined crude. Nonenergy imports also slowed with the value of food imports falling to \$149.6 million, compared with \$168.8 million one quarter earlier. Capital goods imports remained flat as spending on government infrastructural projects continue to wane.

	2009						
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1		
Current Account Balance	2,408.0	-218.2	-345.1	-85.6	963.2		
Trade Balance	2,575.3	-191.5	-209.6	27.9	1,190.1		
Exports	4,120.8	1,595.1	1,509.7	1,949.6	2,843.3		
Energy	3,800.3	1,379.7	1,139.2	1,520.2	2,515.0		
Non-Energy	320.5	215.4	370.5	429.4	328.3		
Imports	1,545.5	1,786.6	1,719.3	1,921.7	1,653.2		
Energy	509.3	730.0	728.7	875.4	711.2		
Non-Energy	1,036.2	1,056.6	990.6	1,046.3	942.0		
Services (net)	205.9	144.9	190.2	180.3	133.2		
Income (Net)	-386.5	-185.0	-343.1	-304.9	-373.9		
Current Transfers (Net)	13.3	13.4	17.4	11.1	13.8		
Capital and Financial Account	-2,830.6	62.7	494.0	-197.8	-826.4		
Official Borrowing	37.5	-35.4	-227.8	28.7	4.1		
Foreign Direct Investment	110.4	123.0	176.6	100.7	160.5		
Regional Bond Issues	0.0	0.0	-120.0	0.0	0.0		
Commercial Banks	167.1	-3.8	-444.4	-394.1	58.0		
Other Private Capital Flows*	-3,145.6	-21.1	1,109.6	66.9	-1,049.0		
Overall Balance	-422.6	-155.5	148.9	-283.4	136.8		

#### TABLE C Trinidad and Tobago: Summary of Balance of Payments (US \$Million)

Source: The Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago.

\*includes errors and omissions.

The deficit on the capital account was estimated at \$826.4 million in the first quarter of 2010. Net foreign direct investment amounted to \$160.5 million. Meanwhile, commercial banks assets held abroad fell to \$58 million compared with an increase of \$394.1 million in the fourth quarter of 2009. **Gross international reserves continued to grow during the second quarter of 2010.** Preliminary data indicate that there was a reserve accumulation of \$322.3 million in the three-month period. This brings the level of gross official reserves to \$9,110.7 million at the end of June, equivalent to 12.5 months of prospective imports of goods and non-factor services.

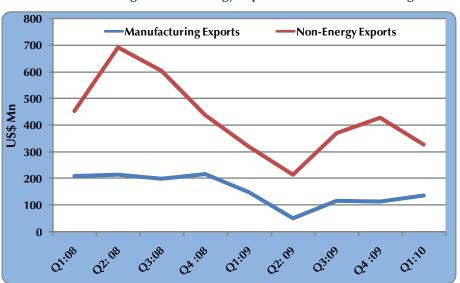


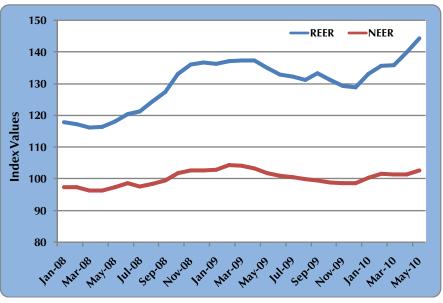
Chart 16 Manufacturing and Non-Energy Exports to Trinidad and Tobago

Source: The Central Statistical Office.

#### **Effective Exchange Rates**

Over the period January to May 2010, the Real Effective Exchange Rate (REER)\* index appreciated by 8.3 per cent. This was on account of both changes in inflation and exchange rates. On the inflation side the inflation differential measured 5.9 percent as a result of higher domestic prices. Meanwhile, the strengthening of the United States dollar against other major currencies lead to a 2.3 per cent appreciation in the Nominal Effective Exchange Rate index (NEER).





Source: The Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago.

\* An increase in the index is an appreciation which suggests a loss of competitiveness. The converse is true.

#### **REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENTS**

(Data in this section are in US dollars unless otherwise stated)

Most Latin American and Caribbean countries (LAC) are recovering from the economic downturn. The IMF in its May 2010 regional outlook noted that in the LAC region, higher growth is anticipated for the commodity exporting countries but tourism -dependent economies are likely to grow at a slower pace. Recent estimates from the World Economic Outlook (WEO) Update for July 2010 suggest the LAC region is expected to grow by 4.8 per cent in 2010, an improvement from the previous estimate of 4 per cent. **Some countries have received financial support from the IMF.** For example, Jamaica signed a SDR 820.5 million (US\$1.3 billion) 27 month Stand-By Arrangement. Antigua and Barbuda has signed a SDR 81 million (US\$ 117.8 million) three-year Stand-By Arrangement and are considering the possibility of cuts in public sector wages or at least freezing pay packages (see Table D).

#### **Barbados**

The Central Bank of Barbados has estimated a decline in real GDP of 1.0 per cent in the first six months of 2010. The unemployment rate increased to 10.6 per cent in the first quarter of 2010, slightly higher than the 10.1 per cent recorded in the same period of 2009. The year-on-year inflation rate to March 2010 measured 6.6 per cent compared to 4.4 per cent year-onyear at the end of 2009. The tourism sector improved somewhat over the first half of 2010, relative to a year earlier. Tourist arrivals increased due to the government's marketing collaborations with several airlines, improved economic conditions in the US and Canada, and the hosting of the World Twenty/20 Cricket tournament.

#### Jamaica

The Jamaica economy continued to contract, albeit at a slower rate. Real GDP is estimated to have declined by 1.1 per cent in the first quarter of 2010 (year-onyear) compared to a 2.2 per cent decline in the previous quarter. Only three sectors - agriculture, tourism and electricity and water - grew during the first quarter of 2010. The unemployment rate reached 13.5 per cent at the end of January 2010, the highest since October 2002 on account of weaker performance of the construction and transportation sectors. In April 2010, Jamaica's annual inflation rate was 14.4 per cent, due primarily to increases in the cost of public transportation, tax measures and higher prices of short term crops caused by drought conditions.

#### **Mexico**

Mexico's economy grew 4.3 per cent in the first quarter of 2010. The economy continued to perform well in the second quarter, with industrial production expanding by 8.4 per cent year-on-year in May 2010. Manufacturing, which grew by 14.2 per cent, provided the main impetus to industrial growth, while mining also contributed positively (3.2 per cent). However, the unemployment rate at the end of April 2010 worsened slightly to 5.42 per cent from 5.25 per cent in April 2009, while the year-on-year inflation rate in June 2010 rose to 3.69 per cent.

#### Venezuela

**Venezuela's economy recorded its fourth successive quarter of negative growth.** Real GDP in the first quarter of 2010 fell by 5.8 per cent, matching the decline in the

Country	Institution	Date of Arrangement	Amount Purpose		
Antigua and Barbuda	IMF	June 08,2010	\$117.8	36-month loan Stand-By Arrangement to restore fiscal and debt sustainability.	
Grenada	IMF	April 02,2010	\$13.3	• ECF <sup>1</sup> to cushion the effects of the global economic slowdown.	
Haiti	IMF	January 27, 2010	\$102	• ECF augmented to cope with the effects of the earthquake	
Jamaica	IMF	February 04, 2010	\$1,270	• 27-month loan Stand-By Arrangement to combat the global financial crisis.	

 TABLE D

 IMF Financial Assistance Measures for CARICOM Countries in 2010

Source: The International Monetary Fund..

<sup>1</sup> ECF - Extended Credit Facility

fourth quarter of 2009. Venezuela continues to have the highest inflation rate in the region despite having price controls on many items. The annual inflation rate was 31.3 per cent in June 2010. The increase in

#### INTERNATIONAL COMMODITIES

(Data in this section are in US dollars unless otherwise stated)

#### Petroleum

The recovery of the crude oil market, which commenced during the latter half of 2009, continued into 2010. During the first half of 2010, WTI crude oil prices averaged US\$78.26 per barrel (bbl) compared with US\$51.21/bbl for the corresponding sixmonth period of 2009 – an increase of 52.8 per cent (see Table E). Prices hovered around US\$70-\$80/bbl for most of the period, reflecting a strong correlation with developments in global equity and currency markets.

Further upward price movements have been limited by over supply in global markets and excess capacity. The International Energy Agency (IEA) projections of non-OPEC supply growth for 2010 were the price level is linked to the devaluation of the Bolivar in January 2010 as well as food shortages and increases in some government-administered food prices.

revised upwards to 800,000 barrels per day (b/d) from an earlier estimate of 700,000 b/ d. As a consequence, non-OPEC supply for 2010 is forecasted at 52.3 million b/d. The upward revision was based on a slowerthan-expected decline in North Sea output and higher output in the Former Soviet Union (FSU) and Latin America. Opec-11 also has spare capacity of 6.5 million b/d to increase supply to the market should any unforeseen events occur.

#### **Natural Gas**

There has been some elevation in natural gas prices relative to early 2009. The average Henry Hub price for the first six months of 2010 was 14.2 per cent above the same period in 2009. At the same time, the monthly price dipped from US\$5.82

TABLE E Spot Prices of Selected Crudes (US\$ per barrel)

(US\$ per barrer)														
For the period	Arab Light	Saharan Blend	lran Heavy	Bonny Light	Es Sider	Girassol	Kuwait Export	Brent	Merey	Murban	Oriente	WTI	Dubai	Average OPEC
2009														
Jan	41.23	43.89	39.93	45.44	42.74	43.43	40.00	43.59	37.39	46.27	35.12	41.50	43.94	41.54
Feb	40.87	44.07	39.91	45.07	42.37	43.33	40.34	43.07	38.76	44.71	35.83	39.08	43.09	41.41
Mar	46.39	48.40	44.52	49.70	46.35	46.98	44.91	46.55	39.59	47.75	42.45	48.00	45.59	45.78
Apr	50.91	51.69	50.10	52.24	50.24	49.72	50.16	50.44	43.73	52.33	42.41	49.82	50.10	50.20
May	57.45	57.27	56.02	57.87	56.87	57.36	57.93	57.27	52.95	59.58	53.56	59.21	57.48	56.98
Jun	69.01	69.15	68.16	69.55	68.15	68.92	68.73	68.55	61.81	71.50	63.62	69.68	69.41	68.36
Jul	64.92	65.21	64.79	66.31	64.51	65.02	64.74	64.61	30.11	66.80	58.10	64.23	64.82	64.59
Aug	71.42	72.94	71.53	73.84	72.89	72.66	70.97	72.84	65.78	73.51	65.26	71.05	71.36	71.35
Sep	67.64	67.84	66.43	68.74	67.44	67.69	66.45	67.39	62.88	69.79	63.67	69.34		67.17
Oct	73.36	73.36	72.54	74.41	72.71	72.97	72.50	72.76	66.90		68.57		73.15	72.67
Nov	76.54	77.16	76.72	77.96	76.61	76.89	76.54	76.66		79.00	70.05		77.69	76.29
Dec	74.38	75.16	73.52	76.04	74.90	74.54	74.03	74.28	68.63	76.84	68.93	74.41	75.42	74.01
2010														
Jan	76.46	76.79	75.72	77.39	76.14	76.78	75.69	76.19	71.27	78.19	72.94	78.30	76.69	76.01
Feb	73.32	74.54	72.54	75.04	73.59	73.95	72.27	73.64	68.47	75.22	69.38	76.34	73.40	72.99
Mar	77.24	79.70	76.93	80.40	78.85	79.45	76.29	78.90	70.65	79.18	72.11	81.25	77.31	77.21
Apr	82.75	84.99	82.09	86.14	84.49	84.38	81.64	84.79	73.12	85.38	75.45	84.44	83.59	82.33

Source: Middle East Economic Survey.

per mmbtu in January 2010 to US\$4.80 per mmbtu in June 2010 (See Chart 18). Bitterly cold weather early in the year saw an elevated price environment but milder weather conditions in the second half of February and going into March resulted in prices retreating to more normal levels.

Gas supplies continue to grow in the face of an already saturated market. Qatar Petroleum has commissioned a 7.8 million tonne per year train 7 at the Ras Laffan 3 LNG plant in Qatar. Train 7 is the fourth train of such size to be brought on stream by Qatar Petroleum within the past twelve months. Additionally, coal producers are expected to increasingly drill for natural gas over the next few years. Tightening federal regulations and potential climatechange legislation are creating incentives for diversification away from oil and gas as energy sources. However, the Energy Information Administration (EIA) has projected that an active hurricane season in 2010 coupled with the temporary moratorium on new drilling in the Gulf of Mexico could reduce US natural gas production by 8 bcf this year and a further 74 bcf in 2011.

#### Petrochemicals

**International petrochemical prices have been relatively buoyant in 2010.** During the first five months of the year, ammonia prices (fob Caribbean) averaged US\$348.55 per tonne, an increase of 22.8 per cent from the previous period and 76.9 per cent over the corresponding period in 2009. The average price of urea was US\$304.90 per tonne, a rise of 12.1 per cent above the preceding period and 15.2 per cent higher than the same period last year.

#### **Iron and Steel**

The global iron and steel industry has continued on a path of steady recovery. Prices for both billets and wire rods increased steadily in 2010 on the heels of increasing raw material prices and tempered improvements in demand. Over the period January to May 2010, billets were traded at an average price (fob Latin America) of US\$532.15 per tonne while wire rods fetched a price of US\$587.55 per tonne. These prices represent increases of 22.4 per cent and 16.8 per cent, respectively from the previous five-month period.

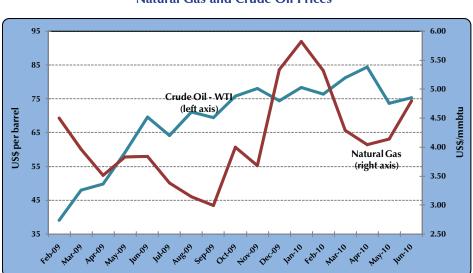


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Source: Middle East Economic Survey.

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- n.a. not available
- # multiple of 100
- 0 nil/negligible
- .. infinity

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								(Average	e of 2000 = 100)						
Per	riod	GDP	Energy Sector	Other Petro- leum	Total Petro- chemicals	Non- Energy Sector	Agri- culture	Manufac- turing	Electricity & Water	Construc- tion	Distri- bution	Finance	Trans- port	Govern- ment	Other
Wei	ights	(1000.0)	(312.9)	(270.2)	(42.7)	(687.1)	(13.6)	(70.6)	(17.3)	(74.6)	(163.6)	(142.2)	(85.9)	(75.7)	(47.4)
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
								Ind	ex Value						
2008	Ι	174.3	220.8	226.7	183.6	152.5	52.7	153.5	143.7	188.9	167.1	149.2	148.6	125.1	113.8
	II	173.1	217.0	223.1	178.4	149.2	59.6	143.5	143.4	196.7	159.3	152.4	155.1	125.2	113.5
	III	175.4	226.8	232.0	193.4	153.6	71.7	147.1	147.7	194.8	172.3	149.3	152.8	119.9	114.9
	IV	170.8	219.0	228.3	160.2	153.5	80.4	137.2	137.6	190.6	161.2	143.7	161.9	131.5	115.3
2009	Ι	166.0	218.2	224.9	175.6	139.7	54.3	133.1	133.0	185.1	142.7	144.5	139.2	130.4	116.0
	II	167.0	222.3	228.7	181.9	138.1	48.7	134.1	140.6	188.7	140.4	146.4	143.7	118.8	115.6
	III	164.5	218.1	220.8	201.5	141.5	73.9	138.8	147.8	194.5	145.0	147.1	134.8	106.6	113.8
	IV	171.8	234.9	239.4	205.9	147.8	84.1	138.1	151.2	183.8	145.5	145.7	161.8	126.5	115.7
2010p	Ι	169.7	230.1	233.2	210.8	139.7	51.2	130.8	144.3	194.5	140.7	154.9	134.3	122.0	113.6
							Ош	arter-On-Ou	arter Per Cent Ch	ange					
2008	T	0.9	-3.5	-3.7	-1.9	0.4	-27.3	2.0	-0.9	0	6.7	5.6	2.3	6.2	20
2000	I	-0.7	-3.5 -1.7	-3.7 -1.6	-1.9 -2.8	0.4 -2.2	-27.3	-6.5	-0.2	2.0 4.1	-4.7	2.1	2.5 4.4	-6.3 0.1	-2.8 -0.3
	II III	-0.7	-1.7 4.5		-2.8 8.4	-2.2 2.9						-2.0	4.4 -1.5		
	III IV			4.0			20.2 12.2	2.5 -6.7	3.0 -6.8	-1.0	8.1	-2.0 -3.8	-1.5 5.9	-4.3 9.7	1.2
	IV	-2.6	-3.4	-1.6	-17.1	0.0	12.2	-0.7	-0.8	-2.2	-6.4	-3.0	5.9	9.7	0.3
2009 <sup>r</sup>	Ι	-2.9	-0.3	-1.5	9.6	-9.0	-32.5	-3.0	-3.3	-2.9	-11.5	0.6	-14.0	-0.8	0.7
	II	0.6	1.9	1.7	3.6	-1.2	-10.2	0.8	5.7	1.9	-1.6	1.3	3.2	-8.9	-0.4
	III	-1.5	-1.9	-3.5	10.8	2.5	51.6	3.5	5.1	3.1	3.3	0.5	-6.2	-10.3	-1.6
	IV	4.5	7.7	8.5	2.2	4.5	13.9	-0.5	2.3	-5.5	0.3	-1.0	20.0	18.6	1.7
<b>2010</b> <sup>p</sup>	Ι	-1.2	-2.0	-2.6	2.4	-5.5	-39.2	-5.3	5.6	-5.8	-3.3	6.4	-17.0	-3.6	-1.9
								Year-On-Yea	r Per Cent Chang	<i>ge</i>					
2008	Ι	2.7	-0.2	-0.4	1.0	4.0	-21.6	6.6	8.7	7.7	8.0	2.2	10.1	14.3	1.9
	II	2.9	-1.6	-1.0	-5.6	6.1	-16.0	-1.9	3.7	9.7	8.2	5.0	10.0	10.0	0.2
	III	4.2	1.3	1.4	0.4	6.2	9.9	-5.0	2.4	3.4	16.0	3.8	9.7	2.4	-0.5
	IV	-1.1	-4.3	-3.0	-14.4	1.0	11.0	-8.9	-5.1	2.9	2.9	1.7	11.5	-1.5	-1.5
2009 <sup>r</sup>	т	10	1.2	0.0	1 2	0 /	2.0	12.2	75	2.0	1 <i>1 E</i>	2.1	6 2	1 2	1.0
2009	т т	-4.8 -3.5	-1.2 2.5	-0.8	-4.3 1.9	-8.4 -7.5	3.0	-13.3	-7.5	-2.0	-14.6 -11.9	-3.1	-6.3 -7.3	4.3	1.9
	II			2.6			-18.3	-6.5	-2.0	-4.1		-3.9		-5.1	1.9
	III IV	-6.3 0.6	-3.8 7.3	-4.9 4.9	4.2 28.5	-7.9 -3.7	3.1 4.7	-5.6 0.6	0.1 9.9	-0.2 -3.6	-15.8 -9.7	-1.5 1.4	-11.8 0.0	-11.1 -3.8	-1.0 0.4
	1 V	0.0	1.5	4.7	20.3	-3.7	4.7	0.0	7.7	-3.0	-7.1	1.4	0.0	-3.0	0.4
<b>2010</b> <sup>p</sup>	Ι	2.3	5.5	3.7	20.0	0.0	-5.7	-1.7	8.5	5.1	-1.4	7.2	-3.5	-6.5	-2.1
Source:	Central B	ank of Trinidad	and Tobago.												

#### **INDEX OF DOMESTIC PRODUCTION**

REAL SECTOR

#### Jul 2010

							/Ave	erage of fo	ur quarters	1995 = 100	)/						
Period				chemicals	Oil & Natural gas Refining	All Industry excl. Energy	Food Processing Industries	Drink & Tobacco	Textiles Garments & Footwear		Wood & Related Products	Chemicals & Non- Metallic Products	Assembly -Type & Related Products	Misc. Manufac- turing	Electricity	Water	Sugar
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
2005		240.2	157.1	167.6	375.9	374.7	358.9	423.9	1,411.0	233.4	655.8	365.5	480.7	211.3	125.3	146.5	60.8
2006		261.9	164.7	166.2	388.1	430.9	320.1	548.5	1,506.7	304.3	651.6	378.0	636.9	186.0	127.2	150.6	41.6
2007		289.3	149.9	235.2	432.6	502.8	396.2	755.6	1,548.6	379.8	774.0	375.8	675.2	158.5	137.4	150.9	36.5
2008		309.7	147.4	221.0	581.0	541.3	481.8	849.0	1,913.8	372.1	937.7	348.1	666.3	159.2	138.0	155.7	29.4
2009		314.3	149.2	245.0	601.4	536.1	517.6	877.6	1,969.5	331.2	1,018.0	344.3	572.9	186.4	143.4	157.2	24.6
2005	I	226.8	152.5	164.5	358.9	343.7	298.1	398.5	1,206.8	214.1	658.4	362.6	436.0	209.4	121.4	144.4	81.1
	II	241.2	159.1	166.4	385.5	374.3	386.4	456.0	1,543.0	225.0	664.1	373.9	404.9	212.0	122.8	147.9	83.2
	III	241.8	153.2	167.4	387.1	383.3	396.0	398.8	1,576.1	224.1	665.3	363.5	503.5	212.9	126.4	144.2	58.2
	IV	250.8	163.5	172.2	372.0	396.9	353.9	442.2	1,314.9	269.9	635.5	362.1	576.6	210.7	130.4	149.6	21.5
2006	I	261.4	172.1	163.7	391.1	420.0	349.2	535.4	1,402.3	254.0	632.6	375.8	600.8	210.1	122.3	150.7	49.3
	II	262.5	167.1	158.2	414.0	429.4	353.0	526.2	1,622.8	257.4	641.1	393.4	618.1	214.4	123.0	154.4	54.7
	III	259.5	167.4	167.7	339.7	426.7	302.0	523.0	1,585.4	340.8	650.7	387.3	629.0	159.7	132.2	150.5	38.0
	IV	264.3	152.2	174.9	407.9	447.4	277.2	608.8	1,415.2	363.3	681.3	355.6	698.9	160.6	131.2	146.8	24.6
2007	I	272.5	151.3	236.9	341.7	449.9	279.8	686.6	1,470.5	334.7	696.1	373.3	622.4	158.2	128.4	147.8	37.7
	II	287.0	151.2	236.4	405.1	485.4	351.3	680.0	1,622.6	383.3	723.7	389.3	693.5	159.8	136.7	145.8	45.7
	III	304.2	148.8	238.8	410.0	540.1	481.3	789.9	1,620.2	400.3	770.2	377.7	735.6	153.4	141.6	155.2	35.6
	IV	293.2	148.5	228.8	571.4	534.6	469.3	863.6	1,480.1	399.9	903.7	362.9	648.5	162.6	142.5	154.8	27.2
2008	I	298.9	148.1	233.1	578.5	499.8	489.6	736.7	1,625.1	362.1	866.6	349.4	601.5	156.2	132.1	157.5	24.2
	II	314.8	142.0	225.7	547.8	567.4	513.1	878.2	2,205.6	366.6	870.8	360.5	713.7	163.2	140.6	152.6	31.9
	III	318.7	154.4	211.7	605.1	560.8	464.7	850.7	2,174.8	376.3	870.8	343.6	762.3	155.5	145.7	155.3	28.6
	IV	306.5	144.9	213.7	592.1	537.0	460.1	929.4	1,649.7	383.4	1,141.2	339.1	587.7	162.0	133.5	157.5	33.0
2009	I	302.1	148.6	235.4	607.5	503.1	475.9	830.4	1,877.7	377.1	1,128.7	325.9	492.9	155.7	128.4	156.1	31.7
	II	309.9	152.0	227.7	579.2	531.9	537.2	818.4	2,093.0	328.1	987.6	330.6	601.7	176.4	136.6	159.6	17.0
	III	316.9	145.7	250.6	590.7	547.6	529.5	898.3	1,906.4	292.4	986.3	352.1	618.7	201.8	145.4	155.1	31.8
	IV	328.0	150.4	266.1	628.1	560.9	527.3	961.7	2,000.3	328.1	971.4	368.2	577.0	211.0	162.7	157.9	18.0
2010	I <sup>p</sup>	318.3	148.2	286.5	563.1	532.7	489.8	936.1	2,125.0	327.6	747.3	356.0	529.4	202.2	140.9	156.4	17.3

SOURCE: Central Statistical Office.

1 Energy refers to petrochemicals, oil and natural gas exploration, production and refining and related products.

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REAL SECTOR

#### Jul 2010

Quarter-on-Quarter Per cent Change

Period		All <sup>1</sup> Industry incl. Energy	Exploration & Production oil/natural gas /etc. 2		Oil & Natural gas Refining 4	All Industry excl. Energy	Food Processing Industries 6	Drink & Tobacco 7	Textiles Garments & Footwear	Printing Publishing & Paper Converters	Wood & Related Products	Chemicals & Non- Metallic Products	Assembly -Type & Related Products	Misc. Manufac- turing 13	Electricity	Water	Sugar
2005		9.8	5.3	11.5	18.2	11.1	21.8	20.8	18.2	0.0	1.7	14.0	0.6	-1.5	4.9	0.8	-8.7
2006		9.0	4.8	-0.9	3.2	15.0	-10.8	29.4	6.8	30.4	-0.6	3.4	32.5	-12.0	1.5	2.8	-31.7
2007		10.5	-8.9	41.6	11.5	16.7	23.8	37.8	2.8	24.8	18.8	-0.6	6.0	-14.8	8.0	0.2	-12.2
2008		7.1	-1.7	-6.0	34.3	7.6	21.6	12.4	23.6	-2.0	21.2	-7.4	-1.3	0.5	0.5	3.2	-19.4
2009		1.5	1.2	10.9	3.5	-1.0	7.4	3.4	2.9	-11.0	8.6	-1.1	-14.0	17.1	3.9	0.9	-16.4
2005	I	-5.7	2.2	8.9	10.1	-10.4	-7.8	-15.2	8.8	-4.1	-11.1	2.8	-20.3	3.4	-3.8	-2.1	72.9
	II	6.3	4.3	1.2	7.4	8.9	29.6	14.4	27.9	5.1	0.9	3.1	-7.1	1.2	1.2	2.4	2.6
	III	0.2	-3.7	0.6	0.4	2.4	2.5	-12.5	2.1	-0.4	0.2	-2.8	24.4	0.4	2.9	-2.5	-30.0
	IV	3.7	6.7	2.9	-3.9	3.5	-10.6	10.9	-16.6	20.4	-4.5	-0.4	14.5	-1.0	3.2	3.7	-63.1
2006	I	4.2	5.3	-4.9	5.1	5.8	-1.3	21.1	6.6	-5.9	-0.5	3.8	4.2	-0.3	-6.2	0.7	129.3
	II	0.4	-2.9	-3.4	5.9	2.2	1.1	-1.7	15.7	1.3	1.3	4.7	2.9	2.0	0.6	2.5	11.0
	III	-1.1	0.2	6.0	-17.9	-0.6	-14.4	-0.6	-2.3	32.4	1.5	-1.6	1.8	-25.5	7.5	-2.5	-30.5
	IV	1.8	-9.1	4.3	20.1	4.9	-8.2	16.4	-10.7	6.6	4.7	-8.2	11.1	0.6	-0.8	-2.5	-35.3
2007	I	3.1	-0.6	35.4	-16.2	0.6	0.9	12.8	3.9	-7.9	2.2	5.0	-10.9	-1.5	-2.1	0.7	53.3
	II	5.3	-0.1	-0.2	18.6	7.9	25.6	-1.0	10.3	14.5	4.0	4.3	11.4	1.0	6.5	-1.4	21.2
	III	6.0	-1.6	1.0	1.2	11.3	37.0	16.2	-0.1	4.4	6.4	-3.0	6.1	-4.0	3.6	6.4	-22.1
	IV	-3.6	-0.2	-4.2	39.4	-1.0	-2.5	9.3	-8.6	-0.1	17.3	-3.9	-11.8	6.0	0.6	-0.3	-23.6
2008	I	1.9	-0.3	1.9	1.2	-6.5	4.3	-14.7	9.8	-9.5	-4.1	-3.7	-7.2	-3.9	-7.3	1.7	-11.0
	II	5.3	-4.1	-3.2	-5.3	13.5	4.8	19.2	35.7	1.2	0.5	3.2	18.7	4.5	6.4	-3.1	31.8
	III	1.2	8.7	-6.2	10.5	-1.2	-9.4	-3.1	-1.4	2.6	0.0	-4.7	6.8	-4.7	3.6	1.8	-10.3
	IV	-3.8	-6.2	0.9	-2.1	-4.2	-1.0	9.3	-24.1	1.9	31.1	-1.3	-22.9	4.2	-8.4	1.4	15.4
2009	I	-1.4	2.6	10.2	2.6	-6.3	3.4	-10.7	13.8	-1.6	-1.1	-3.9	-16.1	-3.9	-3.8	-0.9	-3.9
	II	2.6	2.3	-3.3	-4.7	5.7	12.9	-1.4	11.5	-13.0	-12.5	1.4	22.1	13.3	6.4	2.2	-46.4
	III	2.3	-4.1	10.1	2.0	3.0	-1.4	9.8	-8.9	-10.9	-0.1	6.5	2.8	14.4	6.4	-2.8	87.1
	IV	3.5	3.2	6.2	6.3	2.4	-0.4	7.1	4.9	12.2	-1.5	4.6	-6.7	4.6	11.9	1.8	-43.4
2010	I <sup>p</sup>	-3.0	-1.5	7.7	-10.3	-5.0	-7.1	-2.7	6.2	-0.2	-23.1	-3.3	-8.2	-4.2	-13.4	-0.9	-3.9

SOURCE: Central Statistical Office.

1 Energy refers to petrochemicals, oil and natural gas exploration, production and refining and related products.

REAL SECTOR

#### TABLE 4

## PRODUCTION AND SALES OF NATURAL GAS, PETROLEUM AND PETROLEUM-BASED PRODUCTS

Jul 2010

		<u>Natural G</u>	as Production		Crude	Petroleum				Petroleum-l	Based Products	
Period		Natural Gas Production cu. ft per day	Liquified Natural Gas Production 000' cu m	Total Production	Daily Average	Imports	Exports	Refinery Throughput	Motor Gasoline	Gas/Diesel Oil	Fuel Oil	Kerosene and Aviatio <u>Turbine Fu</u>
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
2005		3,218.0	23,282.9	52,739.6	144.5	34,200.3	23,890.9	60,087.8	11,757.8	13,282.9	20,490.4	6,484.4
2006		3,878.4	29,880.5	52,104.8	142.8	29,727.5	28,738.8	55,601.7	13,452.8	12,405.0	18,668.2	6,372.0
2007		4,088.8	32,092.7	43,807.0	120.0	34,314.9	22,203.6	56,131.9	11,871.7	12,776.1	16,880.8	6,366.7
2008		4,048.4	32,956.7	41,827.8	114.3	33,414.5	21,300.0	55,277.8	11,229.8	11,765.3	17,308.1	6,366.1
2009		4,181.9	33,895.1	39,117.0	107.2	35,514.0	19,609.7	55,416.0	11,491.8	12,815.5	17,064.8	6,264.3
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2005	I	3,202.3	6,081.9	12,596.0	140.0	8,273.7	6,583.8	14,826.4	2,580.2	3,344.4	4,949.8	1,678.2
	II	3,188.8	5,955.4	13,420.8	147.5	9,061.8	7,278.0	15,273.7	2,932.5	3,542.1	4,529.1	1,528.0
	III	3,009.4	5,294.3	13,149.7	142.9	8,378.0	6,737.0	15,201.4	2,956.2	3,211.3	6,444.4	1,645.0
	IV	3,470.7	5,951.2	13,573.2	147.5	8,486.8	3,292.1	14,786.4	3,288.9	3,185.1	4,567.0	1,633.2
006	I	3,832.0	7,156.4	13,598.6	151.1	8,014.0	7,393.8	14,236.7	3,556.3	3,575.5	4,887.5	1,802.5
	II	3,909.7	7,562.3	13,156.4	144.6	8,086.2	7,400.9	15,096.4	3,582.2	3,135.8	4,997.8	1,685.3
	III	3,956.3	7,888.0	13,596.9	147.8	5,622.0	7,830.9	11,090.7	2,830.6	2,748.7	3,693.1	1,311.4
	IV	3,814.9	7,273.8	11,752.9	127.7	8,005.3	6,113.2	15,177.9	3,483.7	2,945.0	5,089.8	1,572.7
2007	I	4,046.4	8,103.7	11,207.8	124.5	8,727.5	5,092.9	13,579.4	2,612.5	3,038.5	3,906.3	1,608.8
	II	4,038.4	7,688.9	11,212.0	123.2	7,514.0	5,830.0	13,939.4	3,167.6	3,294.2	3,860.0	1,398.7
	III	4,079.7	7,843.5	10,824.8	117.7	10,021.7	5,635.0	15,101.3	3,026.1	3,592.4	4,354.3	1,813.9
	IV	4,189.4	8,456.5	10,562.4	114.8	8,051.7	5,645.7	13,511.7	3,065.5	2,851.1	4,760.2	1,545.4
008	I	4,061.1	7,976.4	10,747.9	118.1	8,679.0	5,063.5	14,301.7	2,634.4	2,765.3	4,887.3	1,584.4
	II	3,958.0	7,962.7	10,189.8	112.0	7,516.1	5,430.1	13,277.5	2,728.3	2,740.9	4,088.2	1,533.4
	III IV	4,153.4 4,020.3	8,252.2 8,765.5	10,765.2 10,124.9	$117.0 \\ 110.1$	8,017.3 9,202.1	5,558.7 5,247.7	14,038.0 13,660.6	3,134.2 2,732.9	3,255.2 3,003.8	4,025.3 4,307.4	1,721.1 1,527.2
2009	I	4,096.0	8,561.4	9,971.1	110.8	8,788.6	5,031.9	14,000.9	3,100.0	3,196.9	4,420.5	1,676.3
	II	4,212.2	8,560.0	10,065.2	110.6	9,377.7	5,863.7	13,632.5	2,555.0	3,155.7	4,276.3	1,520.0
	III	4,065.1	7,787.8	9,521.8	103.5	8,329.6	4,174.4	13,908.2	3,037.4	3,095.1	4,215.8	1,447.3
	IV	4,352.8	8,985.9	9,558.8	103.9	9,018.1	4,539.7	13,874.6	2,799.3	3,367.7	4,152.2	1,620.7
010	I <sup>p</sup>	4,379.8	8,406.8	9,432.8	104.8	6,722.7	4,170.6	12,000.1	2,648.1	2,911.7	3,364.7	1,381.7

SOURCE: Ministry of Energy and Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago.

REAL SECTOR

#### TABLE 5

#### PRODUCTION AND SALES OF PETROCHEMICAL PRODUCTS

Jul 2010

	F	ertilizers - (000 Ton	nes)	<u>Natur</u>	al Gas Liquids - (00	00 bbls) <sup>1</sup>	N	<u> Iethanol - (000 Ton</u>	nes)
Period	Production	Exports	Local Sales	Production	Exports	Local Sales	Production	Exports	Local Sale
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
2005	5,935.9	5,447.9	8.0	9,889.4	10,413.2	0.0	4,694.8	4,649.9	19.4
2006	5,798.9	5,353.2	7.4	11,251.0	11,609.2	0.0	6,015.6	5,872.3	18.3
2007	5,901.9	5,616.9	9.6	12,449.9	11,903.9	0.0	5,933.4	6,037.0	17.1
2008	5,598.6	5,186.3	7.1	12,719.6	12,827.2	0.0	5,686.1	5,928.2	18.7
2008	5,951.6	5,427.6	7.5	15,898.9	15,152.5	0.0	6,112.4	6,166.3	18.7
2009	5,951.0	3,427.0	1.5	15,696.9	15,152.5	0.0	0,112.4	0,100.5	10.7
2005 I	1,428.9	1,363.1	1.6	2,553.6	2,936.7	0.0	1,133.3	1,077.7	4.9
II	1,478.5	1,363.0	2.4	2,653.8	2,597.6	0.0	1,083.0	1,099.3	4.6
III	1,485.1	1,306.0	2.0	2,366.0	2,447.2	0.0	1,033.4	1,041.5	5.0
IV	1,543.3	1,415.8	1.9	2,316.0	2,431.8	0.0	1,445.1	1,431.3	4.8
2006 I	1,403.4	1,344.7	1.3	2,575.1	2,315.0	0.0	1,496.9	1,527.7	4.6
II	1,403.9	1,333.8	2.1	2,869.8	2,781.0	0.0	1,461.1	1,355.0	4.6
III	1,488.8	1,361.0	2.1	2,796.1	3,551.3	0.0	1,397.7	1,424.1	3.6
IV	1,502.9	1,313.7	1.9	3,010.0	2,961.9	0.0	1,659.9	1,565.6	5.4
2007 I	1,488.6	1,407.0	1.4	3,158.5	2,923.2	0.0	1,377.2	1,544.9	2.3
II	1,442.3	1,414.0	2.5	3,194.3	2,950.3	0.0	1,538.3	1,423.6	4.8
III	1,542.6	1,365.8	2.0	3,047.7	2,914.9	0.0	1,494.7	1,608.1	5.1
IV	1,428.4	1,430.1	3.7	3,049.4	3,115.6	0.0	1,523.2	1,460.4	5.0
2008 I	1,401.6	1,283.1	1.5	2,842.7	2,967.8	0.0	1,493.2	1,639.9	4.6
II	1,447.6	1,281.4	2.6	3,267.4	2,780.9	0.0	1,366.5	1,445.5	4.8
III	1,409.6	1,333.7	1.2	3,181.2	3,815.9	0.0	1,639.6	1,693.6	4.7
IV	1,339.7	1,288.1	1.8	3,428.3	3,262.7	0.0	1,186.8	1,149.2	4.6
2009 I	1,359.8	1,339.7	1.6	3,819.7	3,496.3	0.0	1,409.6	1,417.8	4.7
II	1,379.2	1,229.9	1.4	3,869.5	4,085.1	0.0	1,490.3	1,643.7	4.7
III	1,622.8	1,553.3	2.2	3,878.5	3,863.4	0.0	1,554.6	1,550.2	4.8
IV	1,589.8	1,304.8	2.3	4,331.3	3,707.8	0.0	1,657.9	1,554.5	4.4
2010 I <sup>1</sup>	° 1,725.1	1,651.6	2.1	4,298.4	3,997.2	0.0	1,599.4	1,571.4	3.8

SOURCE: Ministry of Energy; Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago.

1 Natural Gas Liquids include Propane, Butane and Natural Gasolene.

REAL SECTOR

TABLE 6

### PRODUCTION AND SALES OF CEMENT AND IRON AND STEEL PRODUCTS

Jul 2010

							/000 ]	Fonnes/						
			Cer	ment		Di	rect Reduced	Iron		Iron and Ste Billets	el		Wire Rods	
Period		Production	Imports	Exports	Local Sales	Production	Exports	Local Sales	Production	Exports	Local Sales	Production	Exports	Local Sales
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	9	10	11	13	14	<u>15</u>
2005		686.4	12.5	136.5	564.8	2,055.3	1,267.9	0.0	712.0	0.0	237.1	472.1	443.5	40.5
2006		883.0	0.0	260.8	648.4	2,071.5	1,218.8	0.0	673.0	0.0	198.9	485.7	448.4	46.6
2007		901.8	0.0	229.6	673.1	2,062.8	1,300.1	0.0	694.6	0.0	142.4	510.3	441.8	51.9
2008		957.6	0.0	261.6	668.1	1,601.0	1,086.9	0.0	489.6	0.0	193.1	272.0	260.2	50.9
2009		869.9	0.0	273.3	634.2	1,181.7	656.1	0.0	399.0	39.5	132.3	238.3	194.4	38.4
2005	I	173.7	0.0	48.0	126.0	509.8	294.9	0.0	204.2	0.0	79.2	109.4	108.8	8.8
	II	193.2	0.0	48.2	153.7	469.9	305.0	0.0	142.6	0.0	85.8	86.1	78.5	11.7
	III	181.1	0.0	32.5	153.4	474.5	283.9	0.0	171.3	0.0	42.4	123.9	118.1	12.3
	IV	138.4	12.5	7.9	131.6	601.2	384.1	0.0	193.9	0.0	29.7	152.7	138.1	7.8
2006		216.9	0.0	74.0	147.4	481.3	277.6	0.0	174.5	0.0	38.6	125.0	125.7	11.0
	II	218.8	0.0	49.6	196.2	575.1	319.7	0.0	203.6	0.0	81.8	109.1	113.3	9.7
	III	229.3	0.0	69.9	154.6	544.3	347.5	0.0	175.6	0.0	42.3	147.9	113.0	15.0
	IV	218.0	0.0	67.2	150.2	470.9	274.1	0.0	119.3	0.0	36.2	103.6	96.4	10.9
2007	I	218.5	0.0	56.6	161.5	423.6	292.4	0.0	155.9	0.0	19.9	108.9	109.5	12.0
	II	238.9	0.0	65.4	179.7	475.8	231.6	0.0	171.4	0.0	39.6	140.7	105.8	13.8
	III	237.1	0.0	61.1	171.7	614.4	420.6	0.0	177.6	0.0	34.3	121.4	113.0	15.6
	IV	207.3	0.0	46.5	160.2	549.0	355.4	0.0	189.7	0.0	48.6	139.4	113.5	10.4
2008	I	247.9	0.0	74.0	173.9	457.6	334.1	0.0	110.8	0.0	38.5	80.7	102.0	16.0
	II	252.9	0.0	60.4	171.4	474.0	297.7	0.0	150.4	0.0	42.0	79.3	55.7	17.8
	III	238.4	0.0	72.6	169.7	523.8	312.2	0.0	148.0	0.0	53.7	107.5	82.2	10.7
	IV	218.5	0.0	54.6	153.1	145.6	142.8	0.0	80.3	0.0	59.0	4.6	20.3	6.4
2009	I	214.3	0.0	115.8	141.7	167.9	58.6	0.0	82.1	0.0	47.5	45.7	38.4	8.6
	II	231.1	0.0	55.9	179.6	257.3	145.3	0.0	87.7	0.0	30.7	56.5	44.6	12.6
	III	224.6	0.0	55.2	169.4	379.3	186.6	0.0	120.5	0.0	44.1	71.4	55.9	10.0
	IV	200.0	0.0	46.4	143.6	377.2	265.5	0.0	108.7	39.5	10.0	64.6	55.5	7.2
2010	I <sup>p</sup>	204.8	0.0	58.8	146.2	488.4	298.8	0.0	144.8	51.8	9.7	85.0	70.0	12.0

SOURCE: Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago.

#### **INDEX OF RETAIL SALES**

REAL SECTOR Jul 2010

#### /Average of Four Quarters 2000 = 100/ Household **Appliances Furniture** Petrol Other Construction Dry Goods Supermarkets and Materials and and Other Textiles and Wearing Motor Vehicles Filling Retail Period All Sections **Š**tores Furnishings Activities 1 Groceries Hardware Apparel and Parts Stations (Weights) (1000)(76)(279)(130)(79) (43) (173)(99)(121)1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 159.4 142.1 97.3 138.5 2005 213.3 154.1 148.9 179.7 173.4 2006 177.3 249.5 176.8 170.7 164.5 82.8 213.5 112.9 183.3 2007 213.0 318.2 202.7 234.3 188.9 71.1 257.4 156.0 197.3 220.3 242.8 199.6 170.7 2008 242.1 476.3 69.6 310.5 194.3 2009 223.9 570.2 221.0 191.5 183.8 65.7 221.7 162.9 183.2 139.9 129.2 2005 I 165.7 136.2 100.7 80.0 165.1 130.9 161.9 132.6 137.9 146.7 145.6 73.8 II 191.1 108.6 173.1 157.1 III 160.2 205.1 148.3 153.0 120.0 100.2 185.6 138.9 195.4 190.3 290.1 185.8 153.3 264.9 134.6 194.7 146.0 178.8 IV 150.6 203.5 150.2 149.5 102.3 54.0 172.1 140.5 162.9 2006 I 175.3 120.8 70.9 103.7 163.4 214.6 157.1 198.3 170.1 II 180.5 176.9 177.2 140.1 95.2 230.4 103.0 199.0 247.8 III 204.1 292.8 110.4 252.2 IV 214.1 330.8 198.5 105.0 200.7 182.6 239.2 175.6 179.7 113.6 66.3 238.9 156.1 194.0 2007 I 242.3 195.0 270.2 222.7 123.3 158.9 II 189.1 64.3 186.9 202.9 229.4 67.5 211.6 308.2 150.8 265.6 161.3 206.6 III 452.8 242.6 304.1 365.7 147.9 262.1 86.2 282.4 201.5 IV 215.3 372.2 202.6 241.1 121.7 63.0 280.9 165.4 180.6 2008 Ι 229.4 428.4 208.1 238.5 150.3 173.3 61.9 316.3 176.7 II 242.1 482.6 217.5 244.5 159.8 76.5 308.1 166.9 225.2 III 77.0 281.1 620.5 252.6 247.0 365.1 336.3 177.3 194.2 IV 198.7 2009 I 439.4 201.9 199.3 110.8 52.0 202.7 164.4 171.0 202.5 212.4 458.3 195.8 117.4 66.7 211.2 144.8 164.6 II 237.5 742.8 213.8 173.8 158.4 60.2 246.2 168.0 202.1 III 256.1 636.3 255.2 197.2 346.3 83.6 226.0 174.4 194.7 IV I P 197.4 449.1 198.5 165.7 109.3 53.6 230.1 162.7 160.8 2010

SOURCE: Central Statistical Office.

1 Includes pharmaceuticals and cosmetics, books and stationery and jewellery.

#### PRODUCTION AND SALES OF MAJOR AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES

REAL SECTOR Jul 2010

Period			1	Sugar - (000 Tonn	les)		(	<u> Cocoa - (000 K</u>	(gs)	0	Coffee - (000 K	gs)	<u>Citrus</u>
Period		Production	Raw	Granulated	Exports	Local Sales	Production	Exports	Local Sales	Production	Exports	Local Sales	Production
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
2005		88.6	33.1	55.5	33.2	54.1	1146.8	759.3	26.6	102.2	1.9	2131.8	166.7
2006		80.0	34.9	45.1	34.8	47.5	569.2	778.7	664.8	94.3	34.2	237.2	978.0
2007		66.7	25.3	41.3	25.3	38.5	598.2	709.6	537.2	236.5	22.7	169.4	758.2
2008		37.6	0.0	37.6	n.a.	39.7	575.2	545.0	103.1	166.5			
2008		26.0	0.0	26.0		27.9	516.9		73.0		26.0	158.2	1933.1
2009		20.0	0.0	26.0	n.a.	21.9	510.9	466.6	73.0	18.9	32.0	62.0	2107.1
2004	IV	12.5	0.0	12.5	0.1	16.6	348.7	50.7	36.5	0.2	0.3	6.1	0.0
2005	I	37.2	21.7	15.5	12.2	14.1	394.2	321.9	26.6	42.3	0.6	333.3	166.7
	II	26.0	11.4	14.7	21.0	16.0	146.1	356.2	n.a.	51.0	0.5	932.5	0.0
	III	8.5	0.0	8.5	0.0	14.8	257.8	60.1	n.a.	8.3	0.3	756.9	0.0
	IV	16.9	0.0	16.9	0.0	9.2	348.7	21.1	n.a.	0.6	0.5	109.1	0.0
2006	I	26.8	17.6	9.2	12.0	8.8	324.4	246.1	175.6	42.7	7.2	57.3	978.0
	II	28.3	17.3	10.9	22.8	13.9	108.8	265.1	158.1	45.8	9.1	83.1	0.0
	III	12.3	0.0	12.3	0.0	11.6	37.9	190.6	165.1	5.0	6.4	49.4	0.0
	IV	12.7	0.0	12.7	0.0	13.2	98.1	76.9	166.0	0.8	11.5	47.4	0.0
2007	I	24.6	12.7	11.8	10.5	9.7	344.5	249.2	219.7	101.8	8.2	37.7	630.4
	II	22.3	12.6	9.7	14.8	10.5	208.0	289.2	213.2	125.6	6.9	57.7	127.8
	III	10.7	0.0	10.7	0.0	9.0	38.0	171.2	104.3	9.1	6.4	58.9	0.0
	IV	9.0	0.0	9.0	0.0	9.4	7.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.2	15.1	0.0
2008	I	7.5	0.0	7.5	n.a.	7.3	158.0	101.0	63.0	18.3	10.0	61.4	1025.0
	II	10.3	0.0	10.3	n.a.	10.2	175.0	173.0	30.3	23.7	5.0	35.2	908.1
	III	9.1	0.0	9.1	n.a.	11.2	186.2	195.0	6.1	124.4	5.0	61.3	0.0
	IV	10.7	0.0	10.7	n.a.	11.0	56.0	76.0	3.7	0.1	6.0	0.3	0.0
2009	I	10.2	0.0	10.2	n.a.	9.5	157.6	202.2	62.6	18.3	8.0	61.4	1100.2
	II	5.5	0.0	5.5	n.a.	8.2	138.3	90.9	2.4	0.5	8.0	0.6	1006.9
	III	10.3	0.0	10.3	n.a.	10.3	54.4	34.7	1.1	0.0	6.0	0.0	0.0
	IV P	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	166.6	138.8	6.9	0.1	10.0	n.a.	0.0

SOURCE: Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago, Central Statistical Office and Caroni (1975) Limited.

#### **PRODUCTION OF SELECTED FOOD CROPS**

REAL-SECTOR

#### Jul 2010

					/000 Kgs/				
Period		Tomato	Cabbage	Cucumber	Dasheen	Rice	Pigeon Peas	Pumpkin	Melongen
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
2005		1,645.3	990.7	4,589.6	4,408.4	2,082.0	952.5	2,171.4	2,232.4
2005		1,781.1	920.8	2,193.6	2,099.7	1,554.7	1,554.2	2,029.6	1,293.2
2000		3,464.7	936.8	2,175.8	2,643.3	2,412.7	712.5	2,226.2	2,855.9
2007		1,814.7	969.9	1,557.4	2,694.2	2,677.0	824.0	3,328.0	1,775.2
2008		1,860.6	532.8	1,363.4	3,184.5	2,225.1	894.0	3,312.2	910.5
2009		1,000.0	552.0	1,505.4	5,104.5	2,223.1	074.0	5,512.2	910.5
2005	I	415.9	455.3	785.2	1,937.8	612.2	941.4	1,253.4	334.5
	II	857.6	29.3	2,530.0	1,556.0	299.2	0.0	300.2	620.6
	III	120.2	185.7	824.7	209.8	0.0	0.0	522.3	460.6
	IV	251.6	320.4	449.7	704.8	1,170.6	11.1	95.5	816.7
2006	I	663.5	131.3	94.0	1,048.2	1,214.5	1,475.4	1,044.3	285.8
	II	502.8	0.0	60.5	0.0	340.2	0.0	41.7	74.1
	III	277.9	296.7	318.5	483.5	0.0	25.2	401.6	436.9
	IV	336.9	492.8	1,720.6	568.0	0.0	53.6	542.0	496.4
2007	I	382.3	255.9	535.8	593.7	1,497.5	677.6	502.6	470.8
	II	820.3	18.7	382.9	990.1	493.2	0.0	993.9	614.1
	III	1,297.2	100.0	758.6	496.1	0.0	0.0	596.3	1,143.7
	IV	964.9	562.2	498.5	563.4	422.0	34.9	133.4	627.3
2008	I	224.3	350.6	353.0	857.8	1,661.0	740.3	237.5	249.5
	II	1,056.0	240.4	373.6	780.4	547.0	20.7	1,291.8	650.7
	III	218.1	167.3	390.8	451.8	0.0	0.4	643.2	573.3
	IV	316.3	211.6	440.0	604.2	469.0	62.6	1,155.5	301.7
2009	I	398.5	126.6	200.0	804.8	326.7	875.5	406.9	204.5
	II	345.6	85.5	369.3	978.5	456.6	6.1	450.2	158.5
	III	761.1	155.7	172.3	655.5	38.7	0.0	930.8	429.9
	IV	355.4	165.0	621.8	745.7	1,403.1	12.4	1,524.3	117.6
2010	I <sup>p</sup>	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.

SOURCE: Central Statistical Office.

#### **INDEX OF RETAIL PRICES**

REAL SECTOR

Jul 2010

							/ <b>J</b> ;	anuary 2003	= 100/						
			Headline <sup>2</sup>	Core <sup>3</sup>		Index of		<b>v</b>				Р	ercent Contribution	1	
Period	1	All Items	Inflation Rate	Inflation Rate	Y-o-Y Food	Food & Non- Alcoholic Beverages	Clothing & Footwear	Transportation	Housing	Others <sup>4</sup>	Food	Clothing & Footwear	Transportation	Housing	Others
Weight	ts	(1000)				(180)	(53)	(167)	(262)	(338)	-	-	-	-	-
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
2004		105.7	3.7	1.6	13.9	122.4	93.4	105.3	103.2	100.9	66.6	-7.5	18.4	16.9	5.5
2005		112.9	6.9	2.7	23.2	150.5	91.8	108.3	105.8	104.1	70.4	-1.0	6.9	9.4	14.3
2006		122.3	<i>8.3</i>	3.6	23.6	185.4	91.3	110.1	108.9	110.1	67.5	-0.2	3.2	8.0	21.5
2007		132.0	7.9	4.3	16.1	217.7	93.3	114.4	113.5	115.5	58.6	1.2	7.7	13.2	19.3
2008		147.9	12.0	6.2	27.0	274.1	95.8	117.8	119.8	125.4	63.9	0.8	3.7	10.6	21.0
2004	IV	108.9	5.6	2.0	20.6	136.0	91.0	107.7	105.1	100.8	71.9	-3.8	11.5	19.8	0.6
2005	Ι	111.2	7.3	2.8	25.6	144.9	92.0	107.7	105.6	102.2	71.6	-1.7	9.0	15.5	5.6
	II	112.1	6.6	2.6	21.5	147.8	91.6	108.2	105.7	103.1	68.3	-1.5	10.9	11.0	11.3
	III	114.1	6.9	2.6	23.1	154.9	92.1	108.1	105.8	105.2	70.9	-0.9	5.0	6.7	18.3
	IV	116.7	7.2	2.7	22.6	166.7	91.3	109.0	106.4	105.8	70.8	0.2	2.8	4.4	21.8
2006	I	118.5	6.6	2.7	19.3	172.8	92.4	109.1	107.2	107.1	68.3	0.3	3.2	5.7	22.6
	II	121.8	8.7	3.4	25.7	185.8	91.3	109.4	108.2	109.2	70.2	-0.2	2.1	6.7	21.1
	III	125.1	9.6	3.9	27.4	197.4	91.1	109.7	109.5	111.7	69.3	-0.5	2.4	8.8	20.0
	IV	127.3	9.1	4.6	22.0	203.4	90.5	112.2	110.8	112.8	62.2	-0.4	5.0	10.9	22.3
2007	I	128.0	8.0	4.2	18.8	205.3	92.2	112.2	111.9	112.8	61.5	-0.1	5.4	12.9	20.2
	II	130.7	7.3	4.5	14.7	213.1	93.4	113.6	113.7	114.3	55.3	1.3	7.9	16.2	19.4
	III	134.2	7.3	4.6	14.0	225.0	93.5	115.8	113.8	117.2	54.6	1.4	11.2	12.4	20.4
	IV	137.0	7.6	3.9	16.8	237.5	94.7	115.8	115.0	117.7	63.1	2.3	6.2	11.3	17.1
2008	Ι	140.5	9.8	5.7	19.7	245.8	94.8	116.7	115.5	122.7	58.5	1.1	6.0	7.6	26.8
	II	145.5	11.3	6.4	23.1	262.3	95.6	116.8	120.6	124.6	59.9	0.8	3.6	12.2	23.4
	III	154.0	14.8	6.2	34.6	302.9	96.6	117.8	121.7	126.5	71.1	0.8	1.7	10.5	15.9
	IV	156.8	14.5	7.1	30.6	310.2	96.1	120.0	124.1	128.1	66.2	0.4	3.5	12.1	17.8
2009	T	156.4	11.3	5.3	24.5	305.9	96.0	125.8	124.2	126.2	68.3	0.4	9.6	14.4	7.4
	II	157.7	8.4	4.5	16.6	305.6	94.3	125.6	125.7	129.4	64.0	-0.6	12.1	11.0	13.5
	III	161.6	4.9	3.9	6.8	323.5	95.6	125.6	125.0	132.0	48.2	-0.7	16.9	11.2	24.3
	IV	158.9	1.3	2.2	-0.2	309.6	94.7	125.2	125.8	131.1	-5.1	-3.5	40.6	20.8	47.0
2010	Jan	161.9	3.6	4.2	2.7	313.7	95.3	137.8	125.6	131.4	25.8	-0.9	35.5	6.5	33.2
	Feb	163.4	4.8	4.0	6.3	322.6	94.4	137.8	125.6	131.4	45.2	-1.3	26.5	4.8	24.7
	Mar	164.3	5.1	4.1	6.9	326.9	95.5	137.8	125.6	131.4	47.8	-0.3	25.3	4.6	22.5
	Apr	169.6	7.3	4.4	12.7	347.1	95.2	140.4	125.4	135.4	61.4	0.0	21.6	-0.7	17.6
	May	172.9	9.6	4.3	19.4	365.4	95.1	140.4	125.4	135.4	70.9	-0.2	16.4	-0.5	13.4
	-														9.5
	June	179.2	13.7	4.3	31.1	400.6	94.6	140.4	125.4	135.5	79.4	0.1	11.5	-0.4	

SOURCE: Central Statistical Office.

Annual data refer to averages for the period; quarterly data refer to data for the last month in the quarter.
 This refers to the change in the overall retail prices index.

3 This exclude changes in the price of food.
4 Includes Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco (25); Furnishings household Equipment & Maintenance (54); Health (51); Communication (41) and Recreation & Culture (41).

#### **INDEX OF PRODUCERS' PRICES**

#### REAL SECTOR

#### Jul 2010

					/October 1978 = 10	0/			
Period (Weight	ts)	Food Processing (191)	Drink & Tobacco (121)	Textiles Garments & Footwear (101)	Printing Publishing & Paper Converters (93)	Wood Products (89)	Chemicals & Non-Metallic Products (148)	Assembly-Type & Related Products (257)	All Industries (1000)
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
2005		459.3	573.8	295.9	325.5	299.8	435.3	321.4	391.0
2006		473.2	627.1	298.0	329.0	309.0	479.4	325.5	409.0
2007		506.4	720.6	298.4	333.1	322.3	522.7	335.1	437.2
2008		608.5	841.1	298.4	337.1	331.3	573.9	338.0	480.8
2009		637.7	935.7	298.4	361.2	333.4	585.1	337.4	501.8
2005	II	457.7	571.7	295.0	325.1	300.4	428.9	322.0	389.6
	III	460.3	576.5	296.7	325.7	299.3	433.3	321.3	391.3
	IV	461.4	576.6	296.7	326.3	299.3	450.2	321.3	394.0
2006	I	468.1	579.0	296.7	326.5	305.1	455.4	322.1	397.1
	II	468.5	627.8	298.4	326.5	305.1	477.3	324.3	407.1
	III	471.7	638.4	298.4	331.5	312.4	484.5	327.3	411.9
	IV	484.2	662.3	298.4	331.5	313.1	500.0	328.3	419.8
2007	I	490.1	693.3	298.4	332.7	313.1	518.5	330.4	428.1
	II	495.7	715.3	298.4	332.7	316.6	521.7	334.2	433.6
	III	503.6	728.0	298.4	333.5	329.8	523.3	337.2	438.9
	IV	535.8	745.2	298.4	333.5	329.4	527.2	338.6	448.0
2008	I	559.9	822.5	298.4	333.5	329.4	565.3	335.7	466.9
	II	602.2	827.0	298.4	337.2	329.4	568.0	337.9	476.8
	III	632.8	826.9	298.4	337.2	333.1	574.8	339.0	484.3
	IV	638.6	887.5	298.4	340.6	333.1	587.5	339.4	495.0
2009	I II III IV	627.7 626.7 636.5 659.6	891.2 933.4 933.4 983.9	298.4 298.4 298.4 298.4	341.6 345.2 378.7 378.7	333.4 333.4 333.4 333.4 333.4	591.7 586.5 586.6 575.7	339.2 336.7 336.6 337.2	494.1 497.9 502.9 511.9
2010	I	661.8	995.7	298.4	379.9	333.6	562.7	341.3	513.0
	II <sup>p</sup>	661.8	995.7	298.4	383.8	333.6	564.4	340.5	513.4

SOURCE: Central Statistical Office.

010	Jul 2						OF BUILDI				IN			E 11B	TABL
					SED)	100 (REVIS	arters 1996=1	ge of 4 Qua	iod: Avera						
d Painti	Finishing Units And & Extern		Windows, Balaust	& Fixtures	Plumbing &		Electrical Insta Fixtur	nd Roof	Walls A	paration, & Concrete me			Index Of Ret Building Ma Sect		Period
%	Index	%	Index	%	Index	%	Index	%	Index	%	Index	%	Index		
Chan	Value	Change	Value	Change	Value	Change	Value	Change	Value	Change	Value	Change	Value		
14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1		
8.	111.06	5.56	122.60	4.77	115.84	15.00	176.16	17.08	173.49	17.32	203.58	14.20	158.14		2006
8.	120.95	11.46	136.47	2.98	119.31	17.11	205.49	15.87	200.37	21.07	245.94	15.07	181.64		2007
4.	126.23	3.46	141.19	8.26	129.14	4.55	214.82	7.80	216.04	13.31	278.91	7.86	195.98		2008
3.	130.85	1.96	143.95	16.59	150.55	6.49	228.66	0.63	216.95	-3.59	266.68	1.28	198.06		2009
11.	108.1	2.86	118.6	6.22	114.4	6.55	161.1	10.87	157.1	13.1	187.20	10.5	147.20	I	2006
8.	109.49	3.43	119.56	6.18	115.84	7.63	165.65	17.67	171.45	17.0	199.55	13.2	154.84	Π	
7.	112.41	4.85	122.05	2.93	115.17	20.02	186.28	20.25	180.61	19.3	209.64	16.0	162.79	III	
7.	114.25	11.08	130.18	3.74	117.95	25.81	191.60	19.54	184.80	19.9	217.93	17.1	167.75	IV	
9.	118.33	15.77	137.30	2.19	116.90	24.02	199.80	25.72	197.50	27.5	238.70	21.1	178.30	Ι	2007
10.	121.42	13.44	135.63	2.16	118.34	22.70	203.24	16.57	199.85	23.4	246.18	17.0	181.22	II	
8.	121.94	11.63	136.24	3.48	119.18	11.46	207.62	11.41	201.21	18.4	248.26	12.2	182.72	III	
6.	122.10	5.00	136.70	4.11	122.80	10.28	211.30	9.79	202.90	15.0	250.60	9.9	184.30	IV	
3.	122.20	2.26	140.40	9.41	127.90	4.50	208.80	4.00	205.40	5.4	251.60	4.3	185.90	I	2008
3.	125.30	3.52	140.40	8.92	128.90	5.20	213.80	7.18	214.20	8.9	268.20	6.6	193.20	П	
4.	127.57	4.05	141.76	8.46	129.26	5.13	218.28	9.00	219.32	18.9	295.09	9.8	200.55	III	
6.	129.83	4.01	142.18	6.25	130.48	3.35	218.38	11.01	225.24	20.0	300.74	10.8	204.25	IV	
10.	134.60	2.42	143.80	17.04	149.70	10.39	230.50	10.47	226.90	13.2	284.70	10.6	205.60	T	2009
10.	134.00	2.42	143.80	17.92	152.00	6.78	228.30	1.08	220.90	-0.2	264.70	2.7	198.46	I	2009
2.	130.30	1.51	143.90	15.96	149.90	4.57	228.25	-1.83	215.30	-12.2	259.10	-2.2	196.05	III	
-3.	125.76	1.18	143.86	15.42	150.60	4.22	227.60	-7.17	209.08	-15.2	255.12	-5.9	192.11	IV	
-5.	127.13	-0.44	143.17	1.00	148.20	0.70	232.12	-6.6	211.85	-9.5	257.64	-5.6	194.06	Ι	2010

SOURCE: Central Statistical Office.

#### **EMPLOYMENT AND LABOUR FORCE**

REAL-SECTOR

#### Jul 2010

				/000 Persons/			
Period		Non-institutional Population 15 years and over	Labour Force	Persons with Jobs	Persons without Jobs	Participation Rate <sup>1</sup> %	Unemploymen Rate <sup>2</sup> %
		1	2	3	4	5	6
					40 <b>-</b>		0.0
2005		979.0	623.7	574.0	49.7	63.7	8.0
2006		978.3	625.2	586.2	39.0	63.9	6.2
2007		980.9	622.4	587.9	34.5	63.5	5.5
2008		987.0	626.7	597.7	29.0	63.5	4.6
2009		991.1	620.9	588.3	32.6	62.6	5.3
2004	IV	975.7	629.5	580.7	48.8	64.5	7.8
2005	I	976.8	623.3	567.0	56.3	63.8	9.0
	II	979.0	618.9	569.6	49.3	63.2	8.0
	III	979.7	620.1	569.4	50.6	63.3	8.2
	IV	980.5	632.6	589.9	42.7	64.5	6.7
2006	I	981.2	625.1	582.4	42.7	63.7	6.8
	II	976.8	627.9	582.9	45.1	64.3	7.2
	III	977.2	619.5	582.6	36.8	63.4	5.9
	IV	978.0	628.4	596.8	31.6	64.3	5.0
2007	I	978.6	615.4	575.1	40.3	62.9	6.5
	II	980.6	616.7	579.7	37.0	62.9	6.0
	III	981.7	625.9	593.3	32.6	63.8	5.2
	IV	982.6	631.4	603.1	28.3	64.3	4.5
2008	I	983.6	620.8	588.4	32.6	63.1	5.3
	II	987.2	621.4	592.8	28.6	62.9	4.6
	III	988.1	630.7	600.8	29.9	63.8	4.7
	IV	989.2	633.6	608.7	24.9	64.1	3.9
2009	I	990.1	630.0	598.2	31.8	63.6	5.0
	II	991.2	624.3	592.5	31.8	63.0	5.1
	III	991.4	616.1	580.2	35.9	62.1	5.8
	IV P	991.7	613.5	582.6	31.0	61.9	5.1
		·//1./	015.5	562.0	51.0	01.7	5.1

SOURCE: Central Statistical Office.

Labour Force as a percentage of Non-Institutional Population - 15 years and over.
 Total Unemployed as a percentage of the Labour Force.

# SECTORAL DISTRIBUTION OF EMPLOYMENT<sup>1</sup>

REAL SECTOR Jul 2010

					/000 Per	sons/				
Period		Agriculture	Petroleum & Gas	Manufacturing (incl. Other Mining & Quarrying)	Construction	Electricity & Water	Transport Storage & Communication	Other Services	Not Classified	Total <u>Employm</u> er
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
		25.0	10.2		04.0	6.0	41.0	227.1	2.5	
2005		25.0	19.3	56.6	94.9	6.9	41.8	327.1	2.5	574.0
2006		25.7	19.7	56.2	96.8	7.8	42.7	335.6	1.6	586.2
2007		22.4	21.5	55.4	103.0	7.1	41.5	336.5	0.4	587.9
2008		23.0	20.2	56.0	108.5	7.9	41.1	340.3	0.7	597.7
2009		22.9	19.3	53.1	106.2	7.2	39.6	338.7	1.3	588.3
2004	IV	29.1	17.1	62.9	91.4	7.4	45.6	322.6	4.4	580.7
	_	2 < 0	15 4		01.1	<b>5</b> 0		225.2		
2005	I	26.0	17.6	56.9	91.1	7.2	41.4	325.3	1.4	567.0
	II	21.1	20.2	56.3	96.6	6.6	42.5	323.1	3.5	569.6
	III	25.8	20.2	52.6	93.7	6.8	39.4	328.7	2.2	569.4
	IV	27.2	19.0	60.6	98.1	7.1	43.9	331.1	2.8	589.9
2006	I	24.5	19.5	59.4	96.3	5.9	43.7	329.8	3.2	582.4
	II	28.8	20.8	55.4	94.3	7.4	43.3	330.9	1.7	582.9
	III	23.9	19.1	57.0	97.4	8.3	43.1	333.2	0.7	582.6
	IV	25.8	19.4	53.0	99.0	9.5	40.8	348.3	0.8	596.8
2007	I	22.5	22.0	59.8	96.7	6.6	40.1	326.9	0.4	575.1
	II	26.7	21.4	54.3	105.5	6.5	41.7	323.1	0.6	579.7
	III	21.7	22.7	54.3	105.0	6.7	41.5	341.0	0.5	593.3
	IV	18.8	19.9	53.2	105.0	8.7	42.8	354.7	0.3	603.1
2008	I	22.9	18.4	57.0	106.4	8.9	45.0	328.8	0.7	588.4
	II	29.7	20.9	57.7	108.6	7.8	41.9	325.6	0.4	592.8
	III	23.3	20.1	53.2	113.6	7.7	39.8	342.4	0.7	600.8
	IV	16.3	21.4	56.1	105.3	7.2	37.8	364.0	0.9	608.7
2009	I	21.3	18.5	53.7	104.8	6.7	45.2	346.6	1.2	598.2
	II	26.3	18.2	49.9	107.6	7.3	41.2	340.3	1.9	592.5
	III	22.2	19.7	54.3	109.0	8.2	37.0	329.1	0.8	580.2
	IV P	22.0	20.6	54.3	103.4	6.6	35.2	339.1	1.4	582.6

SOURCE: Central Statistical Office.

1 Figures may not add due to rounding.

			TT Dolla	ars Millions		
	Apr-Jun 2009	Jul-Sept 2009	Oct-Dec 2009	Jan-Mar 2010	Oct 08-Mar 09	Oct 09-Mar 10
Current Revenue	9,199.6	9,564.7	9,014.5	9,665.1	19,315.8	18,679.5
Oil	3,793.4	4,008.4	3,431.5	4,245.9	8,160.3	7,677.4
Non-Oil	5,406.2	5,556.3	5,583.0	5,419.2	11,155.4	11,002.2
Income	2,906.9	2,460.8	2,909.6	2,296.3	5,083.6	5,205.9
Property	43.3	6.6	6.3	5.3	21.5	11.6
Goods & Services	1,418.4	2,044.6	1,868.5	1,947.5	3,008.1	3,815.9
International Trade	358.4	436.4	524.2	340.4	1,017.8	864.5
Non-tax Revenue	679.2	607.9	274.4	829.8	2,024.5	1,104.2
Current Expenditure	6,610.7	11,947.4	7,901.0	8,383.2	19,031.1	16,284.2
Wages & Salaries	1,651.3	1,734.7	1,750.5	1,563.7	3,271.3	3,314.2
Goods & Services	1,298.2	2,152.7	1,201.3	1,500.3	2,550.2	2,701.6
Interest	931.2	820.3	762.3	742.7	1,769.6	1,505.0
Transfers & Subsidies	2,730.0	7,239.8	4,186.9	4,576.6	11,440.1	8,763.4
Current Account Surplus(+)/Deficit(-)	2,588.9	-2,382.7	1,113.5	1,281.9	284.7	2,395.4
Capital Revenue	1.0	10.7	3.9	0.5	18.9	4.3
Capital Expenditure and Net lending <sup>2</sup>	1,273.1	3,499.0	1,560.3	1,443.9	3,223.0	3,004.1
Overall Surplus(+)/Deficit(-)	1,316.8	-5,871.0	-442.9	-161.5	-2,919.3	-604.4
Total Financing (Net)	-1,316.8	5,871.0	442.9	161.5	2,919.3	604.4
External Financing (Net)	38.4	-1,305.3	46.60	-97.7	-149.1	-51.1
Net External Borrowing	38.4	-1,305.3	46.6	-97.7	-149.1	-51.1
Disbursements	73.8	304.1	99.2	44.7	66.1	143.9
Repayments <sup>3</sup>	35.4	1,609.4	52.6	142.4	215.2	195.0
Divestment Proceeds	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Domestic Financing (Net)	-1,355.2	7,176.3	396.3	259.2	3,068.4	655.5
Treasury Bills (Net)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Bonds (Net)	1,499.6	-132.8	-238.9	-348.4	-1,488.2	-587.3
Disbursements	1,499.6	648.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Repayments <sup>4</sup>	0.0	781.3	238.9	348.4	1,488.2	587.3
Divestment Proceeds	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Uncashed Balances (Net) <sup>5</sup>	-2,854.8	7,309.1	635.2	607.6	4,556.6	1,242.8

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SOURCE: Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago

#### (nb. Figures may not add up due to rounding)

<sup>1</sup> Refers to accounts of the Consolidated Fund, Unemployment Fund, Road Improvement Fund, the Infrastructure.

Development Fund and the Interim Revenue Stabilisation Fund.

<sup>2</sup> Includes an adjustment for Repayment of Past Lending.

<sup>3</sup> During the third quarter of 2009 there was a repayment to Credit Suisse First Boston of US\$230 million.
 <sup>4</sup> During the third quarter of 2009 there were two domestic bond issues at \$280 million and \$368.5 million.

<sup>5</sup> This is a balancing item and includes errors and omissions, advances from the Central Bank and drawdowns from the treasury deposit accounts. Negative balances represent an increase in deposits at the Central Bank.

# CENTRAL GOVERNMENT – NET DOMESTIC BUDGET DEFICIT<sup>(1)</sup>

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TABLE 1	15	CENT	RAL GOVERNMEN	T – NET DOMEST	TIC BUDGET DEFIC	CIT <sup>(1)</sup>	Jul 2010
				TT Dollars Million			
Period Ending	Total Revenue	Domestic Revenue	Total Expenditure	Domestic Expenditure	Gross Domestic Budget Deficit	Borrowing from Non-Bank Private Sector	Net Domestic Budget Deficit
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
2004	22,025.9	14,914.2	20,093.6	19,310.5	4,396.3	3,227.9	1,168.4
2005	31,917.8	27,011.4	25,601.9	23,760.0	-3,251.4	-368.7	-2,882.7
2006	38,558.5	24,305.6	31,900.4	30,506.1	6,200.5	2,274.8	3,925.7
2007	40,696.4	28,760.2	40,067.8	38,545.0	9,784.8	12,815.7	-3,030.9
2008	58,110.4	39,053.9	45,864.2	44,692.8	5,638.9	5,638.9	-512.8
2000	56,110.4	37,033.7	43,004.2	44,092.8	5,050.9	5,050.9	-512.8
2004 I	4.580.1	3.415.0	4.270.0	4.130.7	715.7	646.1	69.6
II	5.776.9	3.514.5	4.328.7	4.045.7	531.2	1.061.3	-530.1
III	5.726.4	3.252.7	6.651.6	6.399.6	3.146.9	95.2	3.051.7
IV	5.942.5	4.732.0	4.843.3	4.734.5	2.5	1.425.3	-1,422.8
2005 I	6.590.0	4.874.8	5.244.3	5.019.8	145.0	-59.1	204.1
II	7.122.0	6.372.2	5.494.7	5.209.0	-1.163.2	593.2	-1.756.4
III	9.993.5	8.367.9	9.058.7	8.649.9	282.0	-151.0	433.0
IV	8,212.3	7,396.5	5,804.2	4,881.3	-2,515.2	-751.8	-1,763.4
2006 I	8.395.0	4.674.5	7.494.1	7.342.4	2.667.9	664.5	2.003.4
II	11.129.2	6.103.3	6.716.6	6.364.9	261.6	-153.4	415.0
III	11.174.9	7.596.3	11.183.1	10.504.9	2.908.6	337.2	2.571.4
IV	7.859.4	5.931.5	6.506.6	6.293.9	362.4	1.426.5	-1.064.1
2007 I	8.204.0	7.108.5	8.841.8	8.752.3	1.643.8	2.606.5	-962.7
II	11,875.6	7,615.0	9,348.0	8,917.7	1,302.7	1,640.8	-338.1
III	12,125.3	8,438.7	13,069.4	12,466.7	4,028.0	2,047.5	1,980.5
IV	8,491.5	5,598.0	8,808.6	8,408.3	2,810.3	6,520.9	-3,710.6
2008 I	13,375.0	9,196.8	11,064.5	10,957.5	1,760.7	281.7	1,479.0
II	18,651.0	12,773.0	9,212.3	8,883.7	-3,889.3	2,201.7	-6,091.0
III	16,119.2	11,066.0	15,523.2	15,502.1	4,436.1	3,316.4	1,119.7
IV	9,965.2	6,018.1	10,064.2	9,349.5	3,331.4	351.9	2,979.5
2009 I	9,869.5	8,666.3	12,189.8	12,019.3	3,353.0	-1,879.2	-1,473.8 <sup>r</sup>
II	9,200.6	6,990.8	7,883.8	7,833.9	843.1	1,904.0	-2747.1 <sup>r</sup>
III	9,575.4	6,893.9	15,446.4	15,432.0	8,538.1	280.9	-8,819.0 <sup>r</sup>
IV	9,018.3	6,566.8	9,461.2	8,600.5	2,033.7	-2,460.7	427.0
2010 I	9,665.5	6,284.7	9,827.0	9,428.2	3,143.5	3,276.0	-6,419.5

SOURCE: Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago

NOTE: 1. To maintain consistency, the deficit is computed as domestic expenditure minus domestic revenue.

# **CENTRAL GOVERNMENT: TOTAL DEBT**<sup>1</sup>

PUBLIC FINANCE Jul 2010

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					Internal D					External D	ebt		Total Debt	
Period Ending		Del	bt Manageme Redemption	n Outstanding <sup>2</sup>	Issue	Other Secu Repayment	rities	Outstanding (3+6)	Issue	Repaymer	nt <b>Outstanding</b>	Issue (4+8)	Repayment (5+9)	Outstandin (7+10)
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
2005 2006 2007 2008 2009		2,550.0 2,550.0 2,550.0 2,550.0 2,550.0 2,550.0	2,550.0 2,550.0 2,550.0 2,550.0 2,550.0 2,550.0	800.0 800.0 800.0 800.0 800.0	800.0 700.0 1,691.3 1,200.0 3,430.6	843.9 301.9 297.2 347.5 270.9	10,657.7 11,055.8 12,449.9 13,302.4 16,462.1	11,457.7 11,855.8 13,249.9 14,102.4 17,626.1	447.9 1,156.3 1,328.4 942.9 947.4	581.1 1,559.3 392.2 415.5 2,156.6	8,030.7 7,627.7 8,563.9 9,091.3 7,882.1	1,247.9 1,856.3 3,019.7 2,142.9 4,378.0	1,425.0 1,861.2 689.4 810.1 2,427.5	19,488.4 19,483.5 21,813.8 23,193.7 25,144.2
	I II III IV	625.0 650.0 625.0 650.0	625.0 650.0 625.0 650.0	800.0 800.0 800.0 800.0	400.0 202.8 197.2 0.0	538.6 155.9 41.3 108.1	10,563.0 10,609.9 10,765.8 10,657.7	11,363.0 11,409.9 11,565.8 11,457.7	58.5 140.8 56.5 192.1	233.4 57.2 235.1 55.4	7,989.0 8,072.6 7,894.0 8,030.7	458.5 343.6 253.7 192.1	772.0 213.1 276.4 163.5	19,352.0 19,482.5 19,459.8 19,488.4
	I II III IV	625.0 650.0 625.0 650.0	625.0 650.0 625.0 650.0	800.0 800.0 800.0 800.0	$0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 700.0$	41.3 110.5 41.3 108.8	10,616.4 10,505.9 10,464.6 11,055.8	11,416.4 11,305.9 11,264.6 11,855.8	67.8 18.2 46.6 1,023.7	252.1 58.7 238.0 1,010.5	7,846.4 7,805.9 7,614.5 7,627.7	67.8 18.2 46.6 1,723.7	293.4 169.2 279.3 1,119.3	19,262.8 19,111.8 18,879.1 19,483.5
	I II III IV	625.0 650.0 625.0 650.0	625.0 650.0 625.0 650.0	800.0 800.0 800.0 800.0	$\begin{array}{r} 674.3 \\ 1,017.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 0.0 \end{array}$	41.3 112.3 41.3 102.3	11,688.8 12,593.5 12,552.2 12,449.9	12,488.8 13,393.5 13,352.2 13,249.9	223.2 605.1 116.5 383.6	153.8 35.5 160.2 42.7	7,697.1 8,266.7 8,223.0 8,563.9	897.5 1,622.1 116.5 383.6	195.1 147.8 201.5 145.0	20,185.9 21,660.2 21,575.2 21,813.8
	I II III IV	625.0 650.0 625.0 650.0	625.0 650.0 625.0 650.0	800.0 800.0 800.0 800.0	$0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 1,200.0 \\ 0.0$	41.3 103.3 141.3 61.6	12,408.6 12,305.3 13,364.0 13,302.4	13,208.6 13,105.3 14,164.0 14,102.4	218.2 291.8 97.0 335.9	156.7 43.6 160.4 54.8	8,625.4 8,873.6 8,810.2 9,091.3	218.2 291.8 1,297.0 335.9	245.1 146.9 301.7 116.4	21,834.0 21,978.9 22,974.2 23,193.7
	I II III IV	625.0 650.0 625.0 650.0	625.0 650.0 625.0 650.0	800.0 800.0 800.0 800.0	$0.0 \\ 2,148.5 \\ 682.0 \\ 600.1$	41.3 103.3 41.3 85.0	13,261.1 15,306.3 15,947.0 16,462.1	14,061.1 16,106.3 16,747.0 17,626.1	404.0 106.5 181.2 255.7	160.4 330.2 1,625.5 40.5	9,334.9 9,111.2 7,666.9 7,882.1	404.0 2,255.0 863.2 855.8	201.7 433.5 1,666.8 125.5	23,396.0 25,217.5 24,413.9 25,144.2
2010	I P	625.0	625.0	800.0	3,699.8	41.3	20,120.6	20,920.6	176.1	146.4	7,911.8	3,875.9	187.7	28,832.4

SOURCE: Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago.

Debt outstanding at the end of each period may not exactly reflect receipts and repayments due to revaluation and debt restructuring.
 Holdings do not include treasury bills issued for the purpose of open market operations.

#### **CENTRAL GOVERNMENT – EXTERNAL DEBT**

PUBLIC FINANCE Jul 2010

#### **US Dollars Millions Debt Conversion** Valuation Adjustment **Balance Outstanding** Receipts Amortization Interest Period Ending 2005\* 70.8 92.3 0.0 0.0 1.309.6 93.6 2006\* 181.9 247.3 0.0 0.0 1,244.2 103.8 89.0 2007 210.0 61.9 0.0 0.0 1,392.3 2008 0.0 0.0 1.476.2 117.9 161.1 66.2 1,295.5 2009 148.2 339.9 0.0 0.0 94.5 8.9 37.1 0.0 0.0 1.302.9 33.0 2005 I 9.1 26.6 Π 22.4 0.0 0.0 1,316.2 ш 8.9 37.3 1,287.8 20.4 0.0 0.0 IV 30.6 8.8 0.0 0.0 1,309.6 13.6 2006 I 39.9 20.5 10.7 0.0 0.0 1,280.4 Π 2.9 9.3 0.0 0.0 1,274.0 25.3 III 7.4 37.7 0.0 0.0 1,243.7 31.5 IV 160.9 160.4 0.0 0.0 1,244.2 26.5 2007 I 35.3 24.3 0.0 0.0 1,255.2 6.7 Π 95.8 5.6 0.0 0.0 1,345.4 34.8 0.0 0.0 9.5 III 18.4 25.3 1,338.5 IV 60.5 0.0 0.0 1,392.3 38.0 6.7 2008 I 34.5 24.8 0.0 0.0 1,402.0 21.9 27.8 Π 46.6 7.0 0.0 0.0 1,441.6 1,442.4 24.2 III 26.5 25.7 0.0 0.0 IV 53.5 8.7 0.0 0.0 1,487.2 44.0 2009 I 64.3 25.5 0.0 0.0 1,526.0 20.4 29.0 Π 16.8 52.3 0.0 0.0 1,490.5 ш 28.1255.7 0.0 0.0 1,262.9 21.3 IV 1,295.5 23.8 39.0 6.4 0.0 0.0 2010 I 0.0 0.0 1,299.5 7.5 27.6 23.6

Source: Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago.

#### **MONEY SUPPLY**

									/\$N	/In/s									
		N	arrow Mo	oney		Factor	s Affectin	g Change	s in Mone	ey Supply				Liabilities			Monetary	Aggrega	tes
Period Ending		Money Supply (M-1A)	in Active Circulation	Deposits 1 (Adj)	Gov't	Central Bank	Commercia Banks	Credit	Public Sector	Private Sector	External Assets (Net)	Other Liabili- ties	Quasi Money	Currency Deposits (Adj)	VFIs' Forei Currency Deposits (Adj)	Money Supply (M-2)	Money Supply (M-2*)	Money Supply (M-3)	Money <sup>2</sup> Supply (M-3*)
2005 2006 2007 2008 2009		12,316.1 13,507.9 15,122.1 16,653.5 23,136.2	2 2,425.4 2,654.4 3,182.8 3,433.7 3,850.0	10,853.5 11,939.3 13,219.8	4 -18,972.9 -26,913.4 -22,293.3 -31,889.8 -16,060.0	-29,540.7 -25,128.0 -35,240.2	6 3,646.9 2,627.4 2,834.7 3,350.4 7,943.9	7 30,841.3 34,617.0 42,458.1 48,144.3 49,079.0	8 3,884.7 3,283.3 4,822.9 5,040.5 7,834.4	9 26,956.6 31,333.7 37,635.2 43,103.8 41,244.6	48,528.3 49,249.6 64,728.8	42,724.0 54,292.3	12 15,696.3 19,352.1 22,187.8 25,510.8 30,384.1	13 7,362.3 10,505.5 11,923.5 16,101.8 22,927.6	14 3,307.1 3,684.8 3,516.9 3,428.8 154.7	15 28,012.4 32,859.9 37,309.9 42,164.3 53,520.3	16 35,374.7 43,365.4 49,233.3 58,266.1 76,447.8	17 29,941.2 35,269.4 40,034.3 45,760.2 54,469.4	18 40,610.4 49,459.3 55,463.4 65,290.8 77,551.7
2005	I II III IV	9,182.6 9,839.4 9,471.7 12,316.1	2,005.7 1,997.1 2,105.2 2,425.4	7,842.3 7,366.4	-10,449.8 -12,792.9 -15,496.1 -18,972.9	-16,401.4 -19,441.0	3,687.6 3,608.4 3,944.9 3,646.9	24,790.0 27,110.6 27,890.2 30,841.3	2,891.8 3,640.5 3,741.3 3,884.7	21,898.2 23,470.1 24,148.9 26,956.6	28,546.0	29,824.3 31,162.3 31,468.4 32,008.3	12,729.5 13,321.1 15,117.7 15,696.3	7,940.3 7,471.7 7,218.3 7,362.3	3,352.8 3,281.8 3,559.2 3,307.1	21,912.2 23,160.6 24,589.4 28,012.4	29,852.5 30,632.3 31,807.7 35,374.7	25,122.1 26,043.4 27,084.3 29,941.2	36,389.1 36,779.9 37,861.5 40,610.4
2006	I II III IV	11,997.7 12,378.9 11,950.0 13,507.9	2,343.1 2,391.7 2,459.2 2,654.4	9,987.2 9,490.8	-20,814.8 -24,058.3 -25,372.0 -26,913.4	-27,474.1 -28,766.0	2,947.2 3,415.8 3,394.0 2,627.4	30,523.4 31,260.3 32,658.7 34,617.0	3,610.3 3,421.1 3,407.8 3,283.3	26,913.1 27,839.2 29,250.9 31,333.7	38,267.3 43,981.5 44,885.6 48,528.3	35,978.3 38,804.6 40,222.4 42,724.0	16,448.1 17,357.7 18,525.4 19,352.1	8,855.5 8,543.9 8,195.2 10,505.5	3,137.5 3,098.4 2,976.5 3,684.8	28,445.7 29,736.5 30,475.4 32,859.9	37,301.2 38,280.5 38,670.6 43,365.4	30,578.6 31,841.5 32,864.5 35,269.4	42,564.9 43,451.6 44,004.0 49,459.3
2007	I II III IV	12,016.1 12,629.5 12,512.8 15,122.1	2,706.1 2,788.6 2,929.5 3,182.8	9,840.9 9,583.3	-20,120.1 -22,446.0 -21,915.5 -22,293.3	-25,078.4 -23,390.3	1,997.0 2,632.4 1,474.9 2,834.7	35,834.1 37,856.1 40,163.0 42,458.1	3,437.5 3,546.5 4,495.2 4,822.9	32,396.7 34,309.6 35,667.7 37,635.2	45,013.5 46,419.4	47,957.6 47,794.1 52,154.1 54,292.3	19,441.5 20,471.4 21,837.3 22,187.8	12,921.0 10,936.9 11,428.3 11,923.5	3,778.1 3,670.1 3,941.2 3,516.9	31,457.6 33,100.8 34,350.1 37,309.9	44,378.6 44,037.7 45,778.4 49,233.3	33,912.7 35,716.8 36,673.9 40,034.3	50,573.4 50,290.5 51,984.4 55,463.4
2008	I II III IV	14,233.3 16,110.1 15,676.7 16,653.5	3,225.9 3,264.7 3,259.8 3,433.7	12,845.4 12,416.8	-23,998.8 -32,317.7 -32,509.5 -31,889.8	-35,608.1 -36,064.6	3,058.7 3,290.3 3,555.1 3,350.4	44,032.7 44,621.5 46,751.8 48,144.3	4,102.6 4,265.3 5,003.3 5,040.5	39,930.1 40,356.2 41,748.5 43,103.8	50,844.2 64,070.5 61,413.5 64,728.8	56,644.8 60,264.1 59,979.1 64,329.8	24,402.5 24,662.6 24,490.8 25,510.8	12,781.0 16,363.0 14,186.0 16,101.8	4,109.2 3,453.8 2,342.6 3,428.8	38,635.8 40,772.7 40,167.5 42,164.3	51,416.8 57,135.7 54,353.5 58,266.1	41,441.7 44,284.4 44,857.8 45,760.2	58,315.9 64,097.9 61,327.2 65,290.8
2009	I II III IV	16,358.4 16,383.7 19,964.2 23,136.2	3,554.0 3,546.7 3,582.4 3,850.0	12,837.0 16,381.7	-28,146.0 -27,446.4 -21,808.0 -16,060.0	-31,962.2 -26,974.4	4,156.9 4,515.8 5,166.4 7,943.9	48,568.1 48,053.4 47,367.2 49,079.0	5,514.5 6,045.9 6,243.7 7,834.4	43,053.6 42,007.5 41,123.4 41,244.6	60,662.3 62,264.9	64,885.6 67,859.9	28,092.1 27,948.7 27,044.4 30,384.1	17,714.8 18,658.5 19,843.7 22,927.6	127.2 166.3 171.6 154.7	44,450.6 44,332.4 47,008.6 53,520.3	62,165.3 62,990.8 66,852.2 76,447.8	45,509.3 45,132.3 47,883.8 54,469.4	63,351.3 63,957.0 67,899.1 77,551.7
2010	I <sup>p</sup>	22,064.7	3,872.7	18,191.9	-17,519.4	-25,657.3	8,137.9	48,301.3	7,746.7	40,554.6	65,981.8	74,699.1	31,194.0	21,851.2	401.8	53,258.6	75,109.8	54,222.9	76,475.9

SOURCE: Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago.

See Article on 'The Floating Exchange Rate - Some Statistical and Other Issues' December 1993, QEB.
 see Article on The floating Exchange Rate - Some Statistical and Other Issues in the December 1997 QEB. publication.

#### **COMMERCIAL BANKS - SELECTED DATA<sup>1</sup>**

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				Inves	tments			Den	osits Liabiliti	es (adi) <sup>2</sup>					
Period Ending		Total Loans (Gross)	Investments	Central Government Securities	Other Investments	Special Deposits	Deposits Liabilities (adj)	Demand Deposits	Saving Deposits	Time Deposits	Foreign Currency Deposits	Balances <sup>3</sup> with the Central Bank	Loan/ Deposit Ratio	Investment/ Deposit Ratio	Cash/ Deposit Ratio
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
2005 2006 2007 2008	ĺ	28,751.1 33,603.8 40,411.0 45,824.6	11,543.2 12,229.6 13,821.8 14,015.3	4,029.7 3,326.5 3,607.2 4,033.3	6,513.5 6,841.7 8,056.0 7,729.6	1,000.0 2,061.4 2,158.6 2,252.4	32,949.3 40,711.0 46,050.6 54,832.3	9,890.7 10,853.5 11,939.3 13,219.8	9,967.3 11,523.7 13,001.7 13,830.6	5,729.0 7,828.4 9,186.1 11,680.2	7,362.3 10,505.5 11,923.5 16,101.8	4,372.3 5,311.8 5,867.1 10,618.5	87.3 82.5 87.8 83.6	35.0 30.0 30.0 25.6	12.0 10.2 10.3 17.2
2009	4	46,508.5	22,435.7	8,805.5	9,182.4	4,447.7	72,597.9	19,286.2	17,702.6	12,681.5	22,927.6	14,077.3	64.1	30.9	14.7
2005	II I III I	22,395.6 24,762.6 25,704.7 28,751.1	11,406.1 10,735.2 11,653.8 11,543.2	4,065.8 3,958.5 4,557.1 4,029.7	6,724.2 6,583.7 6,229.4 6,513.5	616.1 193.0 867.3 1,000.0	27,846.8 28,635.2 29,702.5 32,949.3	7,177.0 7,842.3 7,366.4 9,890.7	9,143.1 9,484.9 9,690.9 9,967.3	3,586.4 3,836.3 5,426.9 5,729.0	7,940.3 7,471.7 7,218.3 7,362.3	2,823.0 3,356.5 3,239.5 4,372.3	80.4 86.5 86.5 87.3	41.0 37.5 39.2 35.0	9.7 12.8 9.4 12.0
2006	II III	28,998.3 30,212.1 31,233.6 33,603.8	10,821.2 12,239.9 12,682.8 12,229.6	3,392.4 3,882.3 4,410.4 3,326.5	6,428.8 6,857.6 6,772.4 6,841.7	1,000.0 1,500.0 1,500.0 2,061.4	34,958.1 35,888.8 36,211.4 40,711.0	9,654.5 9,987.2 9,490.8 10,853.5	10,436.2 10,769.8 10,962.8 11,523.7	6,011.8 6,587.9 7,562.6 7,828.4	8,855.5 8,543.9 8,195.2 10,505.5	4,562.1 4,633.1 5,235.3 5,311.8	83.0 84.2 86.3 82.5	31.0 34.1 35.0 30.0	11.5 10.1 11.7 10.2
2007	II III	34,751.8 36,825.3 38,747.6 40,411.0	12,292.7 13,485.6 13,131.9 13,821.8	2,739.2 3,393.6 2,970.5 3,607.2	7,484.1 8,008.0 8,029.0 8,056.0	2,069.4 2,083.9 2,132.4 2,158.6	41,672.5 41,249.2 42,848.9 46,050.6	9,310.0 9,840.9 9,583.3 11,939.3	11,775.4 12,083.6 12,591.8 13,001.7	7,666.1 8,387.8 9,245.5 9,186.1	12,921.0 10,936.9 11,428.3 11,923.5	5,305.1 5,775.1 6,168.6 5,867.1	83.4 89.3 90.4 87.8	29.5 32.7 30.6 30.0	9.0 10.2 10.6 10.3
2008	II III	41,641.5 42,408.7 44,321.7 45,824.6	13,842.1 14,987.2 14,242.6 14,015.3	4,001.8 4,719.5 4,361.9 4,033.3	7,664.9 8,072.6 7,670.1 7,729.6	2,175.4 2,195.1 2,210.5 2,252.4	48,190.9 53,871.0 51,093.7 54,832.3	11,007.4 12,845.4 12,416.8 13,219.8	13,829.3 13,671.9 13,890.2 13,830.6	10,573.2 10,990.7 10,600.6 11,680.2	12,781.0 16,363.0 14,186.0 16,101.8	7,520.4 8,761.8 8,094.2 10,618.5	86.4 78.7 86.7 83.6	28.7 27.8 27.9 25.6	12.4 13.2 12.9 17.2
2009	II III	46,679.9 45,875.9 44,872.2 46,508.5	14,538.3 15,412.8 16,090.7 22,435.7	5,068.2 5,438.1 5,888.9 8,805.5	7,175.3 7,647.7 7,853.5 9,182.4	2,294.9 2,327.0 2,348.4 4,447.7	58,611.3 59,444.1 63,269.8 72,597.9	12,804.4 12,837.0 16,381.7 19,286.2	14,458.2 14,897.0 15,209.2 17,702.6	13,633.9 13,051.6 11,835.2 12,681.5	17,714.8 18,658.5 19,843.7 22,927.6	11,893.7 10,789.7 12,967.1 14,077.3	79.6 77.2 70.9 64.1	24.8 25.9 25.4 30.9	17.5 15.4 17.9 14.7
2010	I P	45,350.5	22,949.2	9,007.6	9,455.3	4,480.6	71,237.0	18.191.9	18.200.2	12.993.8	21.851.2	14.087.3	63.7	32.2	14.6

SOURCE: Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago.

First Caribbean International Bank (Trinidad and Tobago) Limited was granted a licence to carry on the business of banking with effect from May 28, 2007; Bank of Baroda (Trinidad and Tobago) Limited with effect from October 3, 2007.
 Demand Deposit (adj) - Total demand deposits minus non-residents' and Central Government's demand deposits, cash items in the process of collection on other banks, and bank clearings, plus cashiers cheques and branch clearings. Time and Savings Deposits (adj) - Total Time or Savings deposits minus Central Government's deposits and deposits of non-residents. Foreign Currency Deposits (adj) - Total Demand, Savings and Time Deposits in foreign currency minus those of non-residents.

3 Includes Special Deposits

Cash : Includes Local Cash in Hand plus Balances (Total deposits with the Central Bank minus Special Deposits

#### **COMMERCIAL BANKS : OUTSTANDING LOANS TO BUSINESSES - PRIVATE SECTOR**

Jul 2010

BANKING SYSTEM

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									ifacturing: Of	f Which:			
Period Ending		Produc -tion	Agri- culture	Petro- leum	Manufac- turing	Food Drink & Tobacco	Textiles Garments Footwear & Headwear	Printing Publishing & Paper Converters	Wood & Related Products	Chemicals & Non-Metallic Materials	Assebly- Type & Related Industries	Misc. Manufac- turing	Construc- tion
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
2005		3,711.7	92.1	499.0	1,925.3	364.6	178.0	277.9	77.9	357.5	385.8	283.7	1,195.3
2006		5,006.9	66.2	749.6	2,477.8	363.1	277.7	343.9	91.6	537.6	555.8	308.1	1,713.4
2007		5,025.3	83.9	751.7	2,406.1	487.2	134.6	394.8	80.4	349.7	584.5	374.9	1,783.5
2008		6,386.7	141.0	995.1	3,213.4	730.0	283.5	471.3	116.1	370.1	689.5	552.9	2,037.1
2009		6,380.5	106.8	417.4	3,130.3	810.0	376.3	370.5	136.5	344.4	541.9	550.7	2,725.9
2005	I	3,391.4	108.7	320.5	1,827.9	299.9	161.8	236.0	55.9	268.0	548.0	258.3	1,134.3
	II	3,564.9	104.7	337.7	1,954.8	339.8	146.3	249.4	65.2	281.2	546.9	326.1	1,167.7
	III	3,589.3	95.3	345.4	1,971.2	376.4	170.1	272.0	74.0	374.3	384.1	320.3	1,177.5
	IV	3,711.7	92.1	499.0	1,925.3	364.6	178.0	277.9	77.9	357.5	385.8	283.7	1,195.3
2006	I	3,806.9	82.1	412.0	2,056.7	328.4	281.3	267.1	75.1	449.5	380.1	275.3	1,256.1
	II	4,335.0	75.1	669.1	2,209.2	390.8	289.0	288.9	87.0	446.7	371.7	335.2	1,381.5
	III	4,643.6	79.5	771.9	2,375.2	352.5	294.3	336.6	100.0	548.5	376.8	366.4	1,417.1
	IV	5,006.9	66.2	749.6	2,477.8	363.1	277.7	343.9	91.6	537.6	555.8	308.1	1,713.4
2007	I	4,907.1	79.1	537.3	2,490.7	408.0	259.5	344.6	76.9	512.1	583.2	306.5	1,799.9
	II	4,673.2	64.1	615.0	2,529.9	401.1	253.7	366.8	89.8	365.4	676.6	376.6	1,464.2
	III	4,834.7	81.7	589.0	2,575.3	416.4	255.6	363.2	97.2	355.8	641.8	445.4	1,588.6
	IV	5,025.3	83.9	751.7	2,406.1	487.2	134.6	394.8	80.4	349.7	584.5	374.9	1,783.5
2008	I	5,514.2	94.5	812.0	2,710.0	578.4	122.1	398.9	186.2	362.4	603.1	458.9	1,897.7
	II	5,456.5	99.4	716.7	2,857.2	628.0	129.3	408.1	204.6	366.3	621.1	499.8	1,783.2
	III	5,686.1	123.9	710.4	2,956.8	706.4	146.9	410.2	99.2	367.3	775.7	451.0	1,895.0
	IV	6,386.7	141.0	995.1	3,213.4	730.0	283.5	471.3	116.1	370.1	689.5	552.9	2,037.1
2009	I	6,880.0	140.4	700.5	3,218.2	799.1	304.3	408.1	110.3	402.0	678.9	515.5	2,821.0
	II	6,937.0	137.1	754.5	3,281.2	758.4	347.3	410.1	124.7	383.1	616.0	641.6	2,764.1
	III	6,770.8	136.3	593.9	3,225.8	873.6	368.2	386.8	126.7	381.6	537.7	551.2	2,814.8
	IV	6,380.5	106.8	417.4	3,130.3	810.0	376.3	370.5	136.5	344.4	541.9	550.7	2,725.9
2010	I <sup>p</sup>	6,322.4	110.0	489.3	2,950.8	696.3	377.4	327.6	112.0	388.8	527.9	520.7	2,772.3

SOURCE: Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago.

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 TABLE 20 (Cont'd)

#### **COMMERCIAL BANKS : OUTSTANDING LOANS TO BUSINESSES - PRIVATE SECTOR**

**Jul 2010** 

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					Serv						
Period Ending		Services	Distribution	Hotels & Guest Houses	Transport Storage & Communication	Finance Insurance & Real Estate	Electricity & Water	Education Cultural & Community Services	Personal <sup>1</sup> Services	Leasing & Real Estate Mortgage	Total
		13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
2005		8,825.4	2,067.9	474.3	513.6	4,385.9	402.9	41.2	939.4	1,232.2	13,769.2
2006		10,247.6	2,171.2	650.3	841.8	5,546.3	569.1	82.5	386.4	1,747.5	17,002.0
2007		13,169.3	2,743.7	478.4	908.4	7,888.5	655.2	104.9	390.3	2,454.4	20,649.0
2008		14,821.4	3,426.9	737.3	1,099.4	8,313.7	573.4	94.6	576.0	3,145.0	24,353.1
2009		13,149.8	2,657.0	1,153.7	701.1	7,477.8	545.2	97.4	517.6	3,491.4	23,021.7
2005	I	6,725.4	1,319.6	443.0	462.1	3,374.8	395.8	38.1	692.0	819.2	10,935.9
	II	7,858.6	1,702.1	456.7	505.2	3,975.1	439.7	41.3	738.4	944.9	12,368.4
	III	7,827.5	2,036.6	449.3	506.3	3,674.6	358.4	41.2	761.1	1,143.1	12,559.8
	IV	8,825.4	2,067.9	474.3	513.6	4,385.9	402.9	41.2	939.4	1,232.2	13,769.2
2006	I	8,675.9	1,930.8	481.8	439.5	4,299.8	534.1	75.7	914.2	1,543.1	14,026.0
	II	9,097.6	2,004.8	596.8	565.0	4,896.1	536.2	109.6	389.2	1,609.4	15,042.0
	III	9,058.6	2,130.5	717.3	482.4	4,687.2	506.2	77.9	457.1	1,701.9	15,404.2
	IV	10,247.6	2,171.2	650.3	841.8	5,546.3	569.1	82.5	386.4	1,747.5	17,002.0
2007	I	11,013.2	2,069.3	630.9	977.2	5,901.8	934.8	89.8	409.5	1,891.1	17,811.4
	II	12,648.1	2,362.2	676.3	991.0	7,259.8	878.0	84.6	396.2	2,147.9	19,469.2
	III	12,934.3	2,720.1	710.1	962.3	7,420.7	671.9	94.7	354.6	2,367.9	20,136.9
	IV	13,169.3	2,743.7	478.4	908.4	7,888.5	655.2	104.9	390.3	2,454.4	20,649.0
2008	I	14,385.9	2,838.9	553.7	1,004.3	8,701.8	755.8	90.1	441.2	2,682.6	22,582.7
	II	14,239.3	2,939.2	655.1	1,059.8	8,446.2	587.7	73.3	477.9	2,821.3	22,517.1
	III	14,643.1	2,971.7	682.5	1,051.4	8,711.5	584.6	127.9	513.3	2,986.0	23,315.2
	IV	14,821.4	3,426.9	737.3	1,099.4	8,313.7	573.4	94.6	576.0	3,145.0	24,353.1
2009	I	14,947.6	3,183.6	764.6	860.7	8,876.2	626.6	102.0	533.9	3,305.2	25,132.8
	II	13,923.9	3,051.2	772.1	979.3	7,869.8	569.4	89.2	592.9	3,356.9	24,217.8
	III	12,831.9	2,898.8	769.4	755.3	7,133.0	568.0	88.1	619.3	3,401.0	23,003.7
	IV	13,149.8	2,657.0	1,153.7	701.1	7,477.8	545.2	97.4	517.6	3,491.4	23,021.7
2010	I <sup>p</sup>	12,420.5	2,619.5	1,079.4	857.9	6,733.8	528.8	97.8	503.2	3,549.1	22,292.0

SOURCE: Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago.

1 Includes a small portion of loans which are unclassified.

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#### TABLE 21

#### **COMMERCIAL BANKS - OUTSTANDING LOANS TO THE PUBLIC SECTOR BY ACTIVITY**

Jul 2010

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						Productio								Ser	vices				
Period Ending		Produc -tion 2	Agri culture 3	Petro-leum	Manufact- uring 5	Food Drinnk & Tobacco 6	Printing Publishing		Assembly & -Type c & Related	All Other Manufac- turing 1 10	Construc tion	Electricty & Water 12	Total Services	Transport Storage & Communic -ation 14	Finance Insurance & Real Estate 15	All Other Services <sup>2</sup> 16	Leasing & Real Estate Mortgage	Central & Local Gov't	<b>Tot:</b> 18
2005 2006 2007 2008 2009		895.2 1,074.5 1,081.7 1,635.7 3,097.9	$0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 18.5$	309.9 525.3 374.3 500.8 1,013.4	94.9 98.0 57.4 104.8 119.3	27.0 29.3 1.6 36.8 77.1	$\begin{array}{c} 0.0\\ 0.0\\ 0.0\\ 0.0\\ 0.0\\ 0.0\end{array}$	67.9 62.1 55.9 67.9 42.3	$\begin{array}{c} 0.0\\ 0.0\\ 0.0\\ 0.0\\ 0.0\\ 0.0\end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.0\\ 6.6\\ 0.0\\ 0.0\\ 0.0\\ 0.0\end{array}$	490.4 451.2 649.9 1,030.1 1,946.7	1,466.7 894.8 809.0 775.2 1,031.9	2,268.5 1,720.7 2,118.8 1,622.9 2,368.9	261.6 112.0 203.4 158.7 310.0	467.4 661.8 1,090.6 685.3 1,025.5	1,539.5 946.9 824.7 779.0 1,033.4	10.5 8.3 5.9 3.2 0.5	11.5 64.7 1.7 1.3 1.2	3,185.7 2,868.2 3,208.0 3,263.1 5,468.4
2005	I II III IV	930.0 1,088.2 1,014.6 895.2	$\begin{array}{c} 0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 0.0 \end{array}$	171.5 369.4 219.3 309.9	302.0 178.6 197.2 94.9	112.4 110.3 34.6 27.0	$\begin{array}{c} 0.0\\ 0.0\\ 0.0\\ 0.0\\ 0.0\end{array}$	189.1 67.9 162.6 67.9	$\begin{array}{c} 0.0\\ 0.0\\ 0.0\\ 0.0\\ 0.0\end{array}$	0.5 0.5 0.0 0.0	456.4 540.1 598.0 490.4	507.8 559.6 1,191.7 1,466.7	1,338.7 1,573.5 1,899.4 2,268.5	301.5 485.1 258.4 261.6	411.2 420.1 372.6 467.4	625.9 668.3 1,268.4 1,539.5	11.6 15.7 14.7 10.5	9.4 6.4 76.9 11.5	2,289.5 2,683.8 3,005.5 3,185.7
2006	I II III IV	854.9 975.3 906.7 1,074.5	$\begin{array}{c} 0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 0.0 \end{array}$	331.2 448.3 383.1 525.3	67.9 71.9 72.0 98.0	0.0 2.8 0.0 29.3	$\begin{array}{c} 0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 0.0 \end{array}$	67.9 65.0 65.0 62.1	$\begin{array}{c} 0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 0.0 \end{array}$	0.0 4.1 7.0 6.6	455.7 455.0 451.5 451.2	1,439.8 1,036.9 987.8 894.8	2,180.9 1,942.1 1,856.1 1,720.7	182.4 135.1 135.2 112.0	485.8 711.1 666.5 661.8	1,512.7 1,095.9 1,054.3 946.9	9.7 9.6 8.5 8.3	5.9 4.1 3.5 64.7	3,051.3 2,931.1 2,774.8 2,868.2
2007	I II III IV	1,114.7 1,067.3 1,078.8 1,081.7	30.4 32.3 3.0 0.0	504.2 429.8 363.3 374.3	128.9 153.7 112.2 57.4	33.3 55.0 53.2 1.6	$\begin{array}{c} 0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 0.0 \end{array}$	62.1 59.0 59.0 55.9	$\begin{array}{c} 0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 0.0 \end{array}$	33.5 39.8 0.0 0.0	451.2 451.4 600.2 649.9	921.6 985.6 1,008.4 809.0	1,769.9 1,819.5 1,984.2 2,118.8	124.5 172.2 220.1 203.4	691.3 551.9 731.3 1,090.6	954.1 1,095.4 1,032.9 824.7	7.2 7.2 5.9 5.9	63.7 1.9 1.8 1.7	2,955.5 2,895.9 3,070.6 3,208.0
2008	I II III IV	1,092.5 1,114.3 965.2 1,635.7	$\begin{array}{c} 0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 0.0 \end{array}$	368.0 366.2 358.6 500.8	80.8 114.2 139.6 104.8	6.2 43.1 68.4 36.8	$\begin{array}{c} 0.0\\ 0.0\\ 0.0\\ 0.0\\ 0.0\end{array}$	74.6 71.1 71.3 67.9	$\begin{array}{c} 0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 0.0 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 0.0 \end{array}$	643.6 633.9 467.0 1,030.1	843.1 858.1 1,127.5 775.2	1,789.4 1,669.5 2,463.1 1,622.9	209.1 176.3 193.0 158.7	722.2 629.6 1,138.3 685.3	858.0 863.6 1,131.8 779.0	4.6 4.6 3.1 3.2	1.7 1.2 1.2 1.3	2,888.0 2,789.7 3,432.7 3,263.1
2009	I II III IV	2,038.8 2,134.1 2,247.5 3,097.9	0.0 18.5 0.0 18.5	461.1 382.8 504.4 1,013.4	163.1 101.8 76.5 119.3	95.1 37.3 1.0 77.1	$\begin{array}{c} 0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 0.0 \end{array}$	68.0 64.5 45.8 42.3	$0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 29.7 \\ 0.0$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 0.0 \end{array}$	1,414.6 1,631.0 1,666.7 1,946.7	682.8 702.9 868.2 1,031.9	1,683.8 1,980.8 1,908.6 2,368.9	267.1 339.4 321.4 310.0	726.1 931.0 705.4 1,025.5	690.6 710.4 881.7 1,033.4	2.0 2.0 0.4 0.5	1.2 8.7 14.1 1.2	3,725.8 4,125.6 4,170.6 5,468.4
2010	I <sup>p</sup>	3,062.8	18.5	982.8	49.1	6.9	0.0	42.3	0.0	0.0	2,012.3	969.9	2,233.7	328.2	935.4	970.1	0.1	0.2	5,296.7

SOURCE: Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago.

Includes loans for Textiles, Garments, Footwear & Headwear, Wood & Related Products and Miscellaneous Manufacturing.
 Includes loans for Distribution, Hotels & Guest Houses, Education, Cultural & Community Services, Electricity & Water, Personal Services and a small portion of unclassified loans.

#### COMMERCIAL BANKS LIQUID ASSETS 1

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				Percentage of Presc	ribed Liabilities (unl	ess otherwise st	ated)			
		Reserv	e Position			aita at Cantual D	Liquid	Assets		
Period Ending	Prescril Depos Liabilities	its Required	Cash <sup>3</sup> Reserves	Excess (+) or Shortage (-)	Excess (+) or <sup>4</sup> Shortage (-)	o <mark>sits at Central B</mark> Cash Reserves	Special <sup>5</sup> Deposits	Total Deposits	Local Cash in Hand	Treasur <u>Bills</u>
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
2005 2006 2007 2008 2009	23,653 28,070 32,958 37,745 47,386	9 11.0 2 11.0 3 17.0	15.5 12.9 11.9 22.1 21.3	4.5 1.9 0.9 5.1 4.3	181.5 359.6 226.5 1,541.5 2,570.0	15.5 12.9 11.9 22.1 21.3	4.2 7.3 6.5 6.0 9.4	19.8 20.3 18.5 28.1 30.7	2.4 3.2 3.1 2.8 2.1	1.8 2.0 1.7 2.2 2.1
נ	19,538           11           20,460           11           22,026           11           23,653	9 11.0 4 11.0	11.3 14.6 11.2 15.5	0.3 3.6 0.2 4.5	25.1 44.9 40.9 181.5	11.3 14.6 11.2 15.5	3.2 0.9 3.9 4.2	14.5 15.5 15.2 19.8	2.5 2.5 1.9 2.4	2.2 1.4 2.0 1.8
נ	1         24,651           1         25,875           1         26,769           1         28,070	5 11.0 1 11.0	15.6 13.7 15.7 12.9	4.6 2.7 4.7 1.9	147.2 588.3 505.1 359.6	15.6 13.7 15.7 12.9	4.1 5.8 5.6 7.3	19.7 19.5 21.4 20.3	1.9 2.0 1.8 3.2	2.1 1.4 1.3 2.0
נ	1         28,469           11         29,294           111         31,619           11V         32,958	5 11.0 1 11.0	13.1 13.9 13.4 11.9	2.1 2.9 2.4 0.9	276.4 393.1 210.4 226.5	13.1 13.9 13.4 11.9	7.3 7.1 6.7 6.5	20.3 21.1 20.2 18.5	1.8 1.7 1.6 3.1	0.9 0.3 1.9 1.7
נ	t 33,833 ti 34,860 tii 35,554 tv 37,745	0 13.0 0 15.0	16.6 19.5 17.1 22.1	3.6 6.5 2.1 5.1	453.6 619.6 1,012.1 1,541.5	16.6 19.5 17.1 22.1	6.4 6.3 6.2 6.0	23.0 25.8 23.3 28.1	1.9 1.5 2.0 2.8	1.9 2.2 2.1 2.2
נ	r 39,824 r 41,408 r 42,521 r 47,386	2 17.0 2 17.0	23.9 20.3 24.9 21.3	6.9 3.3 7.9 4.3	2,778.6 1,718.7 2,612.6 2,570.0	23.9 20.3 24.9 21.3	5.8 5.6 5.5 9.4	29.7 25.9 30.4 30.7	1.6 1.7 1.7 2.1	3.9 1.6 2.5 2.1
010 1	49,318	8 17.0	20.7	3.7	1,805.1	20.7	9.1	29.8	1.6	2.1

SOURCE: Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago.

See note 1 on Table 19.
 Represents total demand, savings and time deposits, short-term credit instruments with a maturity up to and including one year and all fund raising instruments maturing within or beyond one year of the reporting date. These are all denominated in local currency and are adjusted for inter-bank and intra-bank cheques and other items credited to the banks on the books of the Central Bank.
 This includes the total of required and any excess reserves.

A Represents the excess/shorting as an average through the month. Annual data reflect an average of the 12 monthly averages.
5 This includes the TT\$1.5mn deposit plus the secondary reserve requirement -2.0 per cent of prescribed liabilities (See note 1 on Table 19).

#### FINANCE HOUSES & MERCHANT BANKS - SELECTED DATA 1,2

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BANKING SYSTEM

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				Private Sector			Public Sector			
eriod nding	Cash & Deposits at Central Bank	Balances Due from Local Banks (Net)	Credit to Private Sector	Investments	Loans	Credit to Public Sector	Investments	Loans	Deposits	Share Capi <u>&amp; Rese</u> rve
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
005	305.7	-142.3	11,761.3	8,670.6	3,090.7	921.3	704.9	216.5	5,206.0	2,449.8
006	300.0	54.9	14,899.5	11,433.3	3,466.2	684.3	468.8	215.5	6,188.5	2,801.3
007	1,241.7	-231.1	14,570.6	10,866.5	3,704.0	316.3	315.1	1.2	6,128.1	2,614.5
008	316.7	-59.1	12,880.3	8,600.8	4,279.4	296.2	293.4	2.8	7,055.0	2,550.8
009	196.7	155.6	4,066.7	1,943.6	2,123.0	425.0	422.1	2.9	860.5	1,723.4
005 I	269.4	-721.2	9,690.4	7,409.3	2,281.1	1,608.9	1,568.7	40.2	5,197.3	2,430.0
		-698.5	11,814.9	9,345.9	2,469.0	812.1	782.9	29.1	5,210.8	2,663.1
	II 710.6	-57.4	11,530.8	8,757.1	2,773.7	710.7	688.7	22.0	5,431.2	2,412.9
I		-142.3	11,761.3	8,670.6	3,090.7	921.3	704.9	216.5	5,206.0	2,449.8
006 I		-105.3	12,653.4	9,750.8	2,902.6	822.3	612.9	209.4	5,259.9	2,287.7
I		-139.0	12,376.6	9,336.1	3,040.5	1,058.9	850.6	208.2	5,247.2	2,511.5
	II 321.8	82.0	13,839.1	10,624.8	3,214.3	776.5	567.8	208.7	5,427.1	2,577.3
I	v 300.0	54.9	14,899.5	11,433.3	3,466.2	684.3	468.8	215.5	6,188.5	2,801.3
007 I		39.2	15,202.2	11,501.6	3,700.7	865.4	488.5	376.9	6,345.5	3,129.3
I		-145.0	14,468.5	11,156.4	3,312.1	376.3	375.6	0.7	6,116.4	2,810.2
I	II 386.0	-154.8	14,577.3	11,112.0	3,465.3	302.2	299.8	2.5	6,252.6	3,047.3
I	v 1,241.7	-231.1	14,570.6	10,866.5	3,704.0	316.3	315.1	1.2	6,128.1	2,614.5
008 I		-37.3	14,253.4	10,448.6	3,804.8	349.3	345.3	4.1	6,810.2	2,624.1
I		186.6	13,156.9	9,237.7	3,919.3	359.3	355.4	3.9	6,936.7	2,642.7
I	II 333.8	279.2	13,055.7	8,950.2	4,105.5	369.7	366.4	3.2	6,990.0	2,688.7
I	v 316.7	-59.1	12,880.3	8,600.8	4,279.4	296.2	293.4	2.8	7,055.0	2,550.8
009 I		347.8	4,143.5	1,887.3	2,256.2	286.7	284.2	2.5	1,108.9	1,545.7
I		114.3	3,938.7	1,778.9	2,159.8	299.9	296.2	3.7	945.8	1,593.7
	152.1	138.2	3,880.8	1,704.7	2,176.1	431.9	428.4	3.5	979.8	1,640.3
I	v 196.7	155.6	4,066.7	1,943.6	2,123.0	425.0	422.1	2.9	860.5	1,723.4
010 I	р 194.7	92.5	4,136.9	1,875.9	2,261.0	447.6	444.9	2.7	1,131.3	1,841.0

SOURCE: Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago.

FirstCaribbean International Bank (Trinidad and Tobago) Limited, previously operating as a Finance House and Merchant Bank, was granted a licence to carry on the business of banking with effect from May 28, 2007. This accounts for the declines observed in loans and investments as at June 2007.
 Effective January 30, 2009, the Central Bank assumed control of Clico Investment Bank under Section 44(d) of the Central Bank Act. As a consequence, data reported from Q1 2009 does not include balances for Clico Investment Bank.

3 Includes Provisions for loan losses.

#### TRUST AND MORTGAGE FINANCE COMPANIES - SELECTED DATA $^{\rm 1}$

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BANKING SYSTEM

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					Private Sector	<u>.</u>		Public Sector			
Period Ending		Cash & Deposits at Central Bank	Balances Due from Local Banks (Net)	Credit to Private Sector	Investments	Loans	Credit to Public Sector	Investments	Loans	Deposits	Share Capita <u>&amp; Rese</u> rves
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
2005		181,488.0	1,297,386.0	6,267,560.0	3,742,527.0	2,525,033.0	1,529,686.0	1,297,794.0	231,892.0	502,845.0	2,160,848.0
2006		146.002.0	823.047.0	5.397.550.0	2.680.929.0	2.716.621.0	676,754.0	381.806.0	294.948.0	440.019.0	2.252.681.0
2007		123,153.0	2,110,159.0	4,650,105.0	2,554,473.0	2,095,632.0	1,243,769.0	867,358.0	376,411.0	334,510.0	2,253,412.0
2008		106,560.0	1,516,008.0	3,864,538.0	2,436,739.0	1,427,799.0	1,367,722.0	1,013,713.0	354,009.0	261,328.0	1,976,369.0
2009		184,235.0	1,525,726.0	3,754,212.0	1,599,957.0	2,154,255.0	1,163,569.0	578,224.0	585,345.0	311,096.0	2,160,882.0
2005 1	т	360.077.0	1,505,030.0	6,879,358.0	3,223,017.0	3,656,341.0	1,515,803.0	1,270,307.0	245,496.0	1,581,514.0	2,179,148.0
	II	258,758.0	1,551,993.0	6,602,134.0	2,902,183.0	3,699,951.0	1,462,418.0	1,231,083.0	231,335.0	1,486,986.0	2,173,787.0
	III	225,477.0	1,371,865.0	8,158,056.0	4,380,151.0	3,777,905.0	1,333,886.0	1,117,504.0	216,382.0	1,124,114.0	2,268,650.0
	IV	181,488.0	1,297,386.0	6,267,560.0	3,742,527.0	2,525,033.0	1,529,686.0	1,297,794.0	231,892.0	502,845.0	2,160,848.0
2006 1	I	134,605.0	1,199,742.0	5,600,407.0	3,122,529.0	2,477,878.0	1,116,080.0	804,979.0	311,101.0	462,471.0	2,342,854.0
1	II	126,862.0	668,922.0	4,941,523.0	2,609,623.0	2,331,900.0	922,267.0	619,868.0	302,399.0	421,027.0	2,150,707.0
1	III	134,301.0	1,306,926.0	5,223,126.0	2,582,262.0	2,640,864.0	764,200.0	469,490.0	294,710.0	479,284.0	2,294,232.0
נ	IV	146,002.0	823,047.0	5,397,550.0	2,680,929.0	2,716,621.0	676,754.0	381,806.0	294,948.0	440,019.0	2,252,681.0
2007 1	I	130,097.0	1,672,618.0	5,418,109.0	2,976,279.0	2,441,830.0	955,953.0	620,527.0	335,426.0	402,851.0	2,350,235.0
1	II	142,308.0	2,150,887.0	5,152,645.0	2,860,197.0	2,292,448.0	751,471.0	420,315.0	331,156.0	382,027.0	2,261,239.0
	III	135,227.0	1,634,791.0	5,098,736.0	2,918,375.0	2,180,361.0	1,149,546.0	776,387.0	373,159.0	378,865.0	2,326,879.0
נ	IV	123,153.0	2,110,159.0	4,650,105.0	2,554,473.0	2,095,632.0	1,243,769.0	867,358.0	376,411.0	334,510.0	2,253,412.0
2008 1	I	113,727.0	1,725,002.0	4,563,133.0	2,893,071.0	1,670,062.0	1,210,567.0	829,729.0	380,838.0	328,750.0	2,239,335.0
1	II	114,007.0	1,229,320.0	4,007,236.0	2,568,122.0	1,439,114.0	1,502,278.0	1,052,522.0	449,756.0	261,963.0	1,873,868.0
1	III	106,236.0	1,625,172.0	4,225,804.0	2,786,933.0	1,438,871.0	1,576,283.0	1,206,826.0	369,457.0	388,127.0	2,110,638.0
נ	IV	106,560.0	1,516,008.0	3,864,538.0	2,436,739.0	1,427,799.0	1,367,722.0	1,013,713.0	354,009.0	261,328.0	1,976,369.0
2009 1	I	91,802.0	1,160,227.0	3,837,019.0	1,958,513.0	1,878,506.0	1,464,942.0	1,106,179.0	358,763.0	321,795.0	1,965,148.0
	II	101,961.0	745,776.0	4,517,014.0	2,328,267.0	2,188,747.0	1,226,593.0	631,646.0	594,947.0	265,968.0	2,067,758.0
	III	140,532.0	1,209,726.0	3,925,275.0	1,711,552.0	2,213,723.0	1,305,015.0	703,317.0	601,698.0	259,649.0	2,126,690.0
נ	IV	184,235.0	1,525,726.0	3,754,212.0	1,599,957.0	2,154,255.0	1,163,569.0	578,224.0	585,345.0	311,096.0	2,160,882.0
2010 1	I P	196,511.0	943,293.0	3,627,448.0	1,514,133.0	2,113,315.0	1,393,817.0	805,779.0	588,038.0	311,644.0	2,247,649.0

SOURCE: Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago.

1 First Citizens Trustee Services Limited was granted a licence to carry on business of a financial nature as a Trust Company, under Section 8(2) of the Financial Institutions Act 1993, with effect from December 31, 2006. 2 Includes Provisions for Ioan Iosses.

#### **SELECTED INTEREST RATES 1,2**

#### INTEREST RATES Jul 2010

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	Cent <u>ral</u> Bank			~	Commerc			3	Non Ban	k Financial Insti	tutions <sup>4</sup>
Period	Special Deposits Rate	Gov't T-Bills <sup>5</sup>	Loans	Foreign Currency Deposits	Spread	Loans	Local Currency Deposits	Spread	Loans	Deposits	Sprea
2005	3.13	4.76	6.75	1.69	5.06	9.05	1.83	7.22	8.66	5.63	3.03
2006	0.63	5.25	7.61	2.24	5.38	9.16	2.01	7.14	8.49	5.64	2.85
2007	0.00	6.72	8.14	2.88	5.25	10.30	2.45	7.85	8.73	5.78	2.96
2008	0.00	7.00	8.07	2.58	5.49	10.82	2.87	7.95	9.08	5.95	3.13
2009	0.00	5.31	7.30	1.66	5.64	11.67	2.74	8.93	9.15	6.23	2.92
2005 I	3.25	4.73	6.77	1.96	4.82	9.05	1.77	7.27	8.67	5.82	2.86
II	3.25	4.85	6.96	1.64	5.32	8.76	1.73	7.03	8.85	5.82	3.03
III	2.50	4.94	6.99	2.26	4.73	9.19	1.98	7.21	8.65	5.87	2.78
IV	0.00	4.93	7.59	2.02	5.57	8.90	1.89	7.01	8.44	5.57	2.87
2006 I	0.00	5.18	7.77	2.19	5.58	9.19	2.01	7.17	8.36	5.55	2.81 2.93
II	0.00	5.97	8.09	2.47	5.62	9.35	2.16	7.18	8.50	5.57	2.93
III IV	0.00 0.00	6.42 6.75	8.07 7.96	2.73 2.87	5.34 5.08	9.93 10.21	2.30 2.37	7.64 7.84	8.58 8.69	5.87 5.72	2.71
2007 I	0.00	6.78	8.13	2.96	5.17	10.52	2.46	8.06	8.56	5.75	2.81
II	0.00	6.92	8.40	2.98	5.42	10.52	2.66	7.85	9.10	5.76	3.34
III	0.00	6.91	8.25	3.10	5.15	10.56	2.82	7.74	8.98	5.83	3.15
IV	0.00	7.04	8.27	2.74	5.53	10.68	2.76	7.92	9.11	5.88	3.23
2008 I	0.00	7.00	8.06	2.39	5.67	10.96	2.96	8.00	9.14	5.89	3.25
II	0.00	7.07	7.71	2.11	5.61	11.10	2.95	8.15	9.10	6.21	2.89
III	0.00	7.04	7.15	1.99	5.15	11.26	2.88	8.38	9.34	6.76	2.58
IV	0.00	7.08	7.31	1.72	5.59	11.45	3.14	8.31	9.25	6.48	2.78
2009 I	0.00	4.62	6.91	1.57	5.34	11.97	2.65	9.32	9.06	5.78	3.28 3.04
II	0.00	2.50	7.83	1.34	6.49	12.00	2.29	9.71	8.96	5.91	3.04
III	0.00	2.23	7.16	1.17	5.99	11.79	1.79	10.00	8.89	5.71	3.18
IV	0.00	1.45	7.19	0.99	6.20	11.46	1.40	10.05	8.86	4.76	4.10
2010 I <sup>p</sup>	0.00	1.31	6.84	0.77	6.08	11.01	1.12	9.89	8.77	3.68	5.09

SOURCE: Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago.

Annual data refer to the quarterly averages for the respective year.
 The data are weighted averages unless otherwise stated.
 See article on the 'The Floating Exchange Rate - Some Statistical Issues' Quarterly Economic Bulletin, Dec. 1993.
 Includes Finance Companies, Merchant Banks, Trust & Mortgage Finance Companies. Data represents rates for reporting institutions only.
 Data are simple averages of the monthly discount rates for end of period issues.

## COMMERCIAL BANKS: INTEREST RATES 1

#### INTEREST RATES Jul 2010

							/Per	cent Per An	num/						
						TT Dollar Loa	nns (Prime Ra	tes)			T Announced R	<u>T Dollar Depo</u> ates	sits		al Rates
Period		Bank Rate	<b>Repo</b> <b>Rate</b> 2	Basic Prime Rate 3	Term	Demand	Overdraft 6	Real Estate Mortgage 7	Ordinary Savings <sup>8</sup>	Special Savings	Up to 3- Month Time	Over 3 - 6 Month Time	Over 6 - 12 Month Time 12	6 <u>Mth Weiş</u> TT Dollars 13	<u>ghted Averag</u> US Dollars <u>14</u>
2005 2006 2007 2008 2009		8.00 10.00 10.00 10.75 7.25	6.00 8.00 8.00 8.75 5.25	9.00 11.06 11.75 12.25 12.13	9.06 10.25 10.63 12.31 12.06	9.00 10.56 11.75 12.25 12.25	9.06 11.06 11.75 12.31 12.19	9.31 11.06 11.75 12.00 11.63	1.46 1.46 1.46 1.88 1.25	2.38 2.39 2.39 2.39 2.39 1.74	2.65 2.68 2.90 3.09 2.23	3.06 3.11 3.36 3.84 2.82	3.51 3.69 3.88 4.06 3.25	2.98 4.65 5.96 7.37 3.40	3.00 4.61 4.85 2.57 1.92
2005	I II III IV	7.25 7.25 7.75 8.00	5.25 5.25 5.75 6.00	8.75 9.00 9.25 9.50	8.75 8.88 9.13 9.50	8.75 9.00 9.25 9.50	8.75 9.00 9.25 9.50	9.13 9.25 9.38 9.50	$1.44 \\ 1.44 \\ 1.46 \\ 1.46$	2.38 2.38 2.39 2.39	2.63 2.66 2.65 2.65	3.10 3.05 3.06 3.06	3.21 3.51 3.56 3.56	2.21 2.28 3.36 3.93	3.38 3.39 2.52 2.86
2006	I II III IV	8.75 9.25 10.00 10.00	6.75 7.25 8.00 8.00	10.00 10.50 11.38 11.75	9.75 10.00 10.50 10.63	10.00 10.50 11.00 11.75	10.00 10.50 11.38 11.75	10.13 10.63 11.50 11.75	$     1.71 \\     1.46 \\     1.46 \\     1.40 $	2.39 2.39 2.39 2.39	2.75 2.68 2.75 2.20	3.06 3.11 3.25 2.68	3.69 3.69 3.88 3.38	3.95 4.24 4.76 5.62	3.76 4.40 4.59 5.65
2007	I II III IV	10.00 10.00 10.00 10.00	8.00 8.00 8.00 8.00	11.75 11.75 11.75 11.75	10.63 10.63 10.63 10.63	11.75 11.75 11.75 11.75	11.75 11.75 11.75 11.75	11.75 11.75 11.75 11.75	1.46 1.46 1.78 1.78	2.39 2.39 2.39 2.39	2.86 3.05 2.90 3.35	3.36 3.36 4.33 3.75	4.10 3.85 3.88 4.00	5.71 5.61 6.13 6.37	5.67 5.64 3.35 4.75
2008	I II III IV	10.25 10.25 10.75 10.75	8.25 8.25 8.75 8.75	11.75 12.25 12.75 13.00	11.75 12.25 12.75 13.00	11.75 12.25 12.75 13.00	11.75 12.25 12.75 13.00	11.75 10.88 12.75 13.00	1.78 1.88 2.50 1.88	2.39 2.39 2.39 2.39	3.11 2.94 3.94 3.00	3.83 3.75 4.16 3.86	4.00 4.00 4.13 4.13	7.23 7.49 7.47 7.30	4.31 2.01 1.64 2.32
2009	I II III IV	10.50 10.00 8.25 7.25	8.50 7.50 6.25 5.25	13.00 12.50 11.75 10.75	13.00 12.75 11.38 10.75	13.00 12.50 11.75 10.75	13.00 12.50 11.75 10.75	13.00 12.25 11.00 9.90	1.25 1.25 1.00 0.58	2.39 2.01 1.53 0.95	2.81 2.50 1.50 1.29	3.38 2.88 2.06 1.73	3.91 3.25 2.50 2.23	6.27 3.76 2.10 1.55	3.19 1.50 1.50 1.50
2010	I <sup>p</sup>	7.00	5.00	9.50	9.50	9.50	9.50	9.50	0.40	0.69	0.75	1.14	1.78	1.52	1.50

SOURCE: Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago.

1 Annual and quarterly data represent the median of the end of month rates, except for the Bank Rate and Repo Rate which are end of period.

#### INTEREST RATES

**Jul 2010** 

# TABLE 26 (Cont'd) COMMERCIAL BANKS: RANGE OF INTEREST RATES ON TT DOLLAR LOANS AND DEPOSITS<sup>1</sup>

								1	per cent/										
				Loan (Ma	rket Rat	es)							Dep	osits Rate	s (Anno	unced)			
Period	Basic Prime L F		<mark>Гегт</mark> Н	Den	nand H	<u>Ove</u>	rdraft H		Estate g <u>e Loa</u> ns H		inary <u>vings</u> H		ecial ings H		me nth H		me nth H		<b>`ime</b> 1yr H
2005 2006 2007 2008 2009	8.00 9.7 9.50 11.7 11.75 11.7 11.75 13.2 9.90 13.2	75         4.00           75         4.00           25         3.50	) 25.98 ) 30.00 ) 26.00	5.00 3.50 3.13	25.75 27.50 26.46 25.04 25.20	4.75 4.75 4.75 4.75 9.00	31.75 45.00 36.50 37.00 33.90	3.00 6.00 5.00 3.95 3.75	18.50 24.00 23.50 25.00 25.00	0.50 0.50 0.50 0.50 0.25	5.20 5.50 5.80 6.10 6.10	0.50 0.50 0.50 0.50 0.25	4.00 4.00 5.80 5.90 3.25	$ \begin{array}{r} 1.00 \\ 1.00 \\ 1.00 \\ 1.00 \\ 0.10 \end{array} $	4.80 6.75 7.50 7.50 6.75	1.25 1.25 1.25 1.00 0.65	5.05 6.00 7.50 7.50 5.15	$     \begin{array}{r}       1.00 \\       1.10 \\       1.00 \\       1.00 \\       0.65     \end{array} $	7.50 11.00 9.00 9.00 8.50
2004 2005 I II III IV	8.00 9.5 8.75 9.5 9.00 9.5 9.00 9.5	50 4.50 50 4.50	) 25.98 ) 25.98	4.75 4.90	25.00 25.00 25.50 25.75	4.75 4.75 4.75 4.75	31.75 31.75 26.00 26.00	3.00 4.00 4.00 3.00	18.04 18.04 18.50 18.50	$0.50 \\ 0.50 \\ 0.50 \\ 0.50 \\ 0.50$	5.10 5.10 5.20 5.20	0.50 0.50 0.50 0.50	4.00 4.00 4.00 4.00	1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00	4.80 4.80 4.80 4.80	1.25 1.25 1.25 1.25	4.95 4.95 4.95 5.05	1.00 1.00 1.00 1.10	7.50 7.50 7.50 7.50
2006 I II III IV	9.50 10.5 10.50 11.5 9.50 11.7 11.75 11.7	50 4.00 75 4.00	) 25.98 ) 25.98	5.00 5.00	26.50 26.75 27.50 23.82	4.75 4.75 4.75 4.75	45.00 35.25 36.50 36.50	6.00 6.00 6.00 6.00	18.04 18.04 24.00 24.00	$\begin{array}{c} 0.50 \\ 0.50 \\ 0.50 \\ 0.50 \end{array}$	5.20 5.20 5.50 5.50	$0.50 \\ 0.50 \\ 0.50 \\ 0.50$	$4.00 \\ 4.00 \\ 4.00 \\ 4.00$	$1.00 \\ 1.00 \\ 1.00 \\ 1.00$	5.35 5.85 6.75 4.00	1.25 1.25 1.25 1.25	5.25 5.90 6.00 6.00	1.10 1.10 1.25 1.25	7.50 11.00 10.75 9.00
2007 I II III IV	11.75 11.7 11.75 11.7 11.75 11.7 11.75 11.7	75 4.00 75 4.00	) 30.00 ) 25.98	3.50 5.00	26.46 24.68 24.68 24.68	4.75 4.75 4.75 4.75	36.50 36.50 36.50 33.75	5.00 5.00 5.00 5.00	18.04 18.04 23.50 23.50	$0.50 \\ 0.50 \\ 0.50 \\ 0.50$	5.50 5.50 5.70 5.80	0.50 0.50 0.50 0.50	$4.00 \\ 4.00 \\ 4.00 \\ 5.80$	$1.00 \\ 1.00 \\ 1.00 \\ 1.00$	7.25 7.32 7.40 7.50	1.25 1.25 1.25 1.25	7.12 7.35 7.50 7.50	1.25 1.25 1.00 1.00	9.00 8.00 8.25 8.25
2008 I II III IV	11.75 12.2 12.25 12.2 12.25 12.7 13.00 13.2	25 3.50 75 3.50	) 25.98 ) 26.00	4.00 3.13	24.68 24.68 24.50 25.04	4.75 4.75 8.80 9.00	36.50 37.00 27.75 28.00	5.00 3.95 3.95 3.95	18.04 20.31 17.00 25.00	$0.50 \\ 0.50 \\ 1.25 \\ 1.00$	5.90 6.10 6.10 6.10	0.50 0.50 1.25 1.55	5.90 4.00 3.25 3.25	$1.00 \\ 1.00 \\ 1.00 \\ 1.00 $	7.50 7.50 7.50 6.75	2.00 1.25 1.00 2.00	7.50 7.50 7.50 5.05	1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00	8.25 8.25 8.50 9.00
2009 I II III IV	13.00 13.2 12.25 13.2 11.00 12.5 9.90 12.0	25 3.50 50 4.99	$\begin{array}{c} 25.00 \\ 25.00 \\ 25.00 \end{array}$	6.00 6.00	25.20 25.00 24.00 24.00	10.75 9.00 10.00 10.50	28.00 28.00 28.00 33.90	3.95 3.95 3.95 3.75	25.00 25.00 23.00 23.00	$\begin{array}{c} 1.00 \\ 0.90 \\ 0.25 \\ 0.25 \end{array}$	6.10 4.75 4.15 3.25	1.55 0.50 0.25 0.25	3.25 3.25 2.50 2.00	$1.00 \\ 1.00 \\ 0.10 \\ 0.10$	6.75 4.75 4.75 4.75	$1.00 \\ 1.00 \\ 1.25 \\ 0.65$	5.15 5.15 5.15 4.20	1.00 1.00 1.75 0.65	8.50 8.50 8.50 8.38
2010 I <sup>p</sup>	9.50 11.2	25 4.40	) 24.00	3.00	24.00	10.00	34.50	3.25	23.00	0.10	3.00	0.10	1.65	0.20	3.95	0.20	4.20	0.20	8.38

SOURCE: Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago.

1 Quarterly data represent the range of rates for the three (3) months of the quarter and annual data the twelve (12) months of the year.

#### INTEREST RATES

#### TABLE 27

#### NON-BANK FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS: MEDIAN INTEREST RATES

#### Jul 2010

				/per cent/			
		nce Companies & Merchant	Banks		Trust & Mortgage	Finance Companies	
	Dep	oosits		Dep	osits	Real Estate M	Iortgage Loans
Period Ending	1 - 2 Yr	2 - 3 Yr	Installment Loans	1 - 2 Yr	2 - 3 Yr	Residential	Commercia
2005	6.53	7.66	8.88	3.96	4.62	10.38	9.25
2006	6.50	7.25	9.00	4.17	3.74	10.00	9.25
2007	5.82	6.91	9.00	3.45	3.07	9.88	9.03
2008	6.18	7.50	10.25	3.57	3.00	9.88	8.75
2009	6.22	8.03	11.38	4.49	3.00	9.88	8.75
2004							
2005 I	6.69	8.13	8.75	4.00	5.05	10.38	9.25 9.25
II	6.69	7.75	8.75	3.95	4.60	10.38	9.25
III		7.50	9.00	3.95	4.41	10.38	9.25
IV	6.50	7.25	9.00	3.95	4.41	10.38	9.25
2006 I	6.50	7.25	9.00	4.50	4.41	9.88	9.25
II	6.50	7.25	9.00	4.50	4.41	9.88	9.25
III	6.50	7.25	9.00	3.83	3.08	9.88	9.25
IV	6.50	7.25	9.00	3.85	3.08	10.38	9.25 9.25
2007 I	6.50	7.25	9.00	3.93	3.08	9.88	9.25 9.38
II	5.38	6.81	9.00	3.46	3.08	9.88	9.38
III		6.81	9.00	3.21	3.08	9.88	8.75
IV	5.70	6.75	9.00	3.19	3.04	9.88	8.75
2008 I	5.98	5.25	9.00	3.19	3.00	9.88	8.75
II	6.25	8.25	9.00	3.19	3.00	9.88	8.75
 III		8.25	11.50	3.79	3.00	9.88	8.75
IV	6.25	8.25	11.50	4.10	3.00	9.88	8.75
2009 I	6.25	8.25	11.50	4.10	3.00	9.88	8.75
II	5.98	8.25	11.50	4.68	3.00	9.88	8.75
III		8.25	11.50	4.68	3.00	9.88	8.75
IV	6.28	7.38	11.00	4.49	3.00	9.88	8.75
<u>2010 I</u> p	6.19	7.38	10.00	4.25	3.00	9.88	8.75

SOURCE: Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago.

#### INTEREST RATES

 TABLE 27 (Cont'd)

## NON-BANK FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS: RANGE OF INTEREST RATES<sup>1,2,3</sup>

**Jul 2010** 

								/per cent/								
				nance Companies	s & Merch							t & Mortg	age Finance Compa			
				Deposits		Ins <u>tallm</u>	ent Loans				eposits				e Mortgage Lo	
Perio	1		<u>2 Yr</u>	2 -	3 Yr	-			l - 2			<u>3 Yr</u>	Resi	<u>dential</u>	Com	mercial
		L	H	L	H	L	H	L		Н	L	H	L	H	L	H
2005		2.00	10.50	5.25	9.50	3.00	18.00	2.9	0	7.00	2.95	7.00	6.00	16.00	9.75	14.50
2006		2.00	10.50	5.25	8.50	5.75	17.00	2.9	0	7.00	2.95	7.00	6.00	16.00	9.75	14.50
2007		2.00	10.50	2.25	8.50	4.00	19.02	2.0		5.75	2.80	6.35	6.00	16.00	4.00	13.50
2008		2.00	10.50	8.00	8.50	6.00	18.75	2.0		7.00	2.80	7.00	6.00	16.00	6.00	14.00
2009		2.00	9.00	5.00	8.50	7.40	18.75	1.4	9	7.00	1.50	7.00	6.00	16.00	6.00	14.00
2004																
2005	I	2.00	10.50	5.25	9.50	3.00	18.00	2.9	0	7.00	2.95	7.00	6.00	16.00	9.75	14.50
	II	2.00	10.50	5.25	9.00	3.00	18.00	2.9		7.00	2.95	7.00	6.00	16.00	9.75	14.50
	III	2.00	10.50	5.25	8.50	5.75	15.00	2.9		7.00	2.95	7.00	6.00	16.00	9.75	14.50
	IV	2.00	10.50	5.25	8.50	5.75	14.00	2.9		7.00	2.95	7.00	6.00	16.00	9.75	14.50
2006	I	2.00	10.50	5.25	8.50	5.75	15.00	2.9		7.00	2.95	7.00	6.00	16.00	9.75	14.50
	II	2.00	10.50	5.25	8.50	5.75	15.17	2.9		7.00	2.95	7.00	6.00	16.00	9.75	14.50
	III	2.00	10.50	5.25	8.50	5.75	17.00	2.9		4.75	2.95	6.35	6.00	16.00	9.75	13.50
	IV	2.00	10.50	5.25	8.50	5.75	17.00	2.9	5	4.75	2.95	6.35	6.00	16.00	9.75	13.50
2007	I	2.00	7.75	5.25	8.50	4.00	19.02	2.0	0	4.75	2.95	6.35	6.00	16.00	10.00	13.50
	II	2.00	7.75	5.25	8.50	4.00	18.75	2.0	0	4.75	2.95	6.35	6.00	16.00	4.00	12.00
	III	2.00	7.75	5.25	8.50	4.00	18.75	2.0		4.75	2.80	6.35	6.00	16.00	4.00	12.00
	IV	2.00	10.50	2.25	8.50	6.00	18.75	2.0	0	5.75	2.80	6.35	6.00	16.00	4.00	12.50
2008	I	2.00	10.50	8.00	8.50	6.00	18.75	2.0		5.75	2.80	6.35	6.00	16.00	6.00	14.00
	II	2.00	10.50	8.00	8.50	6.00	18.75	3.0		7.00	3.00	7.00	6.00	16.00	6.00	14.00
	III	2.00	10.50	8.00	8.50	6.00	18.75	3.0		7.00	3.00	7.00	6.00	16.00	6.00	14.00
	IV	2.00	10.50	8.00	8.50	7.50	18.75	3.0	0	7.00	3.00	7.00	6.00	16.00	6.00	14.00
2009	I	2.00	9.00	8.00	8.50	7.40	18.75	2.3		7.00	2.35	7.00	6.00	16.00	6.00	14.00
	II	2.00	9.00	8.00	8.50	7.40	18.75	2.0		7.00	2.41	7.00	6.00	16.00	6.00	14.00
	III	2.00	9.00	5.00	8.50	7.50	18.75	1.9		7.00	2.00	7.00	6.00	16.00	6.00	14.00
	IV	2.00	9.00	5.00	8.50	7.50	18.75	1.4	9	7.00	1.50	7.00	6.00	16.00	6.00	13.75
2010	IP	1.75	9.00	5.00	8.50	6.50	18.75	1.4	9	7.00	0.38	7.00	6.00	16.00	6.00	13.75

SOURCE: Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago.

Quarterly data represent the range of rates for the three (3) months of the quarter.
 These rates represent market rates.
 Annual figures represents the lowest low rate and the highest high rate for the year.

#### INTEREST RATES AND CAPITAL MARKET

#### **TABLE 28**

### MONEY AND CAPITAL MARKET: PRIMARY MARKET ISSUES

Jul 2010

		TT Do	llars Millions	
Period Ending	Government Bond Securities	Company Shares New Issues <sup>1</sup>	Company Shares Bonus Issues <sup>1</sup>	Other Public Issues <sup>2</sup>
	11	2	3	4
2004 2005 2006 2007 2008	1.116.0 800.0 700.0 1.692.8 1.200.0	0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 738.4	0.0 0.0 1.498.2 0.0 7.7	1,447.4 1,297.1 1,299.2 0.0 700.0
2004 III IV	1.116.0 0.0	0.0 0.0	0.0 0.0	276.0 840.4
2005 I II III IV	400.0 202.8 197.2 0.0	0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0	0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0	0.0 347.9 498.2 451.0
2006 I II III IV	0.0 0.0 0.0 700.0	0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0	$0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 1,498.2 \\ 0.0$	464.2 360.0 0.0 475.0
2007 I II III IV	674.8 1.018.0 0.0 0.0	0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0	0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0	0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0
2008 I II III IV	0.0 0.0 1,200.0 0.0	738.4 0.0 0.0 0.0	0.0 7.7 0.0 0.0	0.0 0.0 700.0 0.0
2009 I II III IV	0.0 2,148.5 368.6 231.5	0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0	0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0	500.0 300.0 1,206.1 1,051.1
2010 I II	3,700.0 794.0	0.0 0.0	0.0 0.0	500.0 0.0

SOURCE: Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago

Par Value Shares traded on the Trinidad and Tobago Stock Exchange.
 Public loan issues of State Corporations and Other State Enterprises (Contingent Liabilities).

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#### TABLE 29

### MONEY AND CAPITAL MARKET - SECONDARY MARKET TURNOVER

Jul 2010

		Gov't	Securities 1		Treasu	ry Bills		P	ublic Company Shar	es <sup>2</sup>	
				Pu	irchases		Sales				
Period Ending		Face Value (\$Mn)	Number of Transactions	Face Value (\$Mn)	Number of Transactions	Face Value (\$Mn)	Number of Transactions	Market Value (\$Mn)	Number of Transactions	Volume of Shares Traded (\$Mn)	Composite Price Index (end of period) January (1983=100)
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
2005 2006 2007 2008 2009		n.a. n.a. 347 739	n.a. n.a. 46 87	143 84 15 93 26	24 7 18 47 263	605 668 1,025 1,514 1,352	65 78 300 537 308	3,918 2,463 2,138 2,191 1,474	32,316 20,772 17,733 22,053 9,884	194 219 119 135 77	1,067 969 982 843 765
2009		137	07	20	203	1,552	500	1,777	2,004	11	705
2005	II	n.a.	n.a.	61	8	211	26	1,273	10,190	57	1,170
	III	n.a.	n.a.	22	5	229	21	1,008	6,174	42	1,083
	IV	n.a.	n.a.	0	4	59	8	611	5,993	40	1,067
2006	I	n.a.	n.a.	39	2	103	7	715	6,284	41	959
	II	n.a.	n.a.	1	2	196	31	702	5,385	35	920
	III	n.a.	n.a.	44	2	368	40	260	3,961	26	869
	IV	n.a.	n.a.	0	1	0	0	787	5,142	117	969
2007	I	n.a.	n.a.	0	1	134	27	779	5,418	36	929
	II	n.a.	n.a.	1	5	290	66	275	4,045	15	919
	III	n.a.	n.a.	0	5	221	76	623	4,384	37	937
	IV	n.a.	n.a.	13	7	380	131	461	3,886	32	982
2008	I	8	4	27	4	395	112	353	4,097	27	993
	II	25	5	2	14	509	169	757	8,593	48	1,150
	III	127	20	1	14	302	111	535	5,217	31	1,066
	IV	188	17	63	15	308	145	546	4,146	28	843
2009	I	38	9	1	21	0	8	382	2,916	17	822
	II	92	18	4	24	256	56	541	2,359	19	780
	III	239	32	0	13	62	6	331	2,192	22	788
	IV	370	28	21	205	1,034	238	221	2,417	19	765
2010	I	820	11	2	21	2	20	239	2,478	26	818
	II <sup>p</sup>	491	46	5	38	2	33	216	2,073	21	827

SOURCE: The Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago and the Trinidad and Tobago Stock Exchange.

1 In January 2008, the platform of the Trinidad and Tobago Stock Exchange was modified to accommodate secondary market trading in government securities.

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MONEY AND CAPITAL MARKET: MUTUAL FUNDS - SALES AND REPURCHASES<sup>1</sup>

# INTEREST RATES AND CAPITAL MARKET

Jul 2010

				TT Dollars T	housands		
			Equity Funds <sup>2</sup>			Income Fund <sup>3,4</sup>	
Period Ending		Sales	Repurchases	Net Change	Sales	Repurchases	Net Change
		1	2	3	4	5	6
2005		2,273,312.4 <sup>r</sup>	1,432,353.9 <sup>t</sup>	840,958.5 <sup>r</sup>	17,938,390.0 <sup>r</sup>	14,604,369.1 <sup>r</sup>	3,334,020.9 <sup>f</sup>
2006		927,166.7 <sup>r</sup>	1,145,198.0 <sup>t</sup>	- 218,031.3 <sup>r</sup>	20,281,883.8	18,611,346.5	1,670,537.3
2007		664,940.7	741,215.4	- 76,274.7	23,417,635.6	20,879,478.8	2,538,156.8
2008		542,387.7	1,536,319.4	-993,931.7	29,424,491.6	25,174,981.1	4,249,510.5 <sup>f</sup>
2009		2,718,989.1	3,095,613.4	- 376,624.3	28,707,356.0	30,047,340.8	-1,339,984.8
2005	I	851,047.5	177,392.1	673,655.4	3,928,358.8	3,803,327.8	125,031.0
	II	598,112.9	442,249.6	155,863.3	4,819,959.2 <sup>r</sup>	3,494,422.3 <sup>r</sup>	1,325,536.9
	III	532,166.3	470,001.6	62,164.7	4,842,595.5	3,384,136.1	1,458,459.4
	IV	291,985.7 <sup>r</sup>	342,710.6	-50,724.9 <sup>r</sup>	4,347,476.6 <sup>r</sup>	3,922,483.0 <sup>r</sup>	424,993.6
006	I	292,923.0 <sup>r</sup>	444,652.1 <sup>r</sup>	-151,729.1 <sup>r</sup>	5,259,649.1	4,353,754.7	905,894.4
	II	236,032.3	249,071.2	-13,038.9	4,847,771.9	4,823,741.1	24,030.8
	III	233,308.0 <sup>r</sup>	238,056.2 <sup>r</sup>	-4,748.2 <sup>r</sup>	4,772,596.0	4,733,326.5	39,269.5
	IV	164,903.4	213,418.4	-48,515.0	5,401,866.8	4,700,524.2	701,342.6
007	I	263,409.5	201,367.6	62,041.9	5,443,994.3	5,204,319.0	239,675.3
	II	93,966.3	214,114,4	-120,148.1	5,400,796.8	4,948,011.0	452,785.8
	III	178,148.0	176,457.5	1,690.5	5,590,978.8	4,879,640.3	711,338.5
	IV	129,416.9	149,275.9	-19,859.0	6,981,865.7	5,847,508.5	1,134,357.2
008	I	148,817.9	172,382.7	-23,564.8	6,468,811.5	5,822,190.9	646,620.6
	II	189,033.8	566,872.2	-377,838.4	7,988,902.1	6,116,433.5	1,872,468.8
	III	127,821.9	449,183.3	-321,361.4	7,454,733.5	6,264,318.5	1,190,414.9
	IV	76,714.1	347,881.2	-271,167.1	7,512,044.5	6,972,038.2	540,006.3
009	I	1,902,553.8 <sup>r</sup>	2,038,593.4 <sup>r</sup>	-136,039.6 <sup>r</sup>	7,640,382.4	6,930,020.4	710,362.0
	II	81,132.3	128,245.2	-47,112.9	7,698,428.2	5,427,571.5	2,270,856.7
	III	253,824.2 <sup>r</sup>	534,120.7 <sup>r</sup>	-280,296.5 <sup>r</sup>	7,101,459.2	5,479,976.0	1,621,483.2
	IV	481,478.7	394,654.1	86,824.6	6,267,086.2	12,209,772.9	-5,942,686.7
2010	I	120,613.1	132,444.0	-11,830.9	4,819,457.1	4,107,506.5	711,950.7
	II	82,214.7	79,581.6	2,633.1	4,077,239.6	3,958,613.4	118,626.2

SOURCE: Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago

Includes both TT\$ and US\$ Mutual Funds. 1

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Represents First Unit Scheme of the Unit Trust Corporation, Roytrin (US\$ &TT\$) Income & Growth Fund, Republic Caribbean Equity Fund, Republic Global Equity Fund and FCB Imortelle Fund. Represents Second Unit Scheme of the Unit Trust Corporation UTC (TT\$ & US\$) Income Fund, Roytrin (US\$ & TT\$) Income Fund, Republic Income Fund, the Abercrombie Fund sponsored by the First Citizen Merchant Bank and FCB Paria Fund. 3

4 Previously referred to as Money Market.

# TABLE 31

# **BALANCE OF PAYMENTS - CURRENT ACCOUNT**

FOREIGN TRADE Jul 2010

									US \$M	n								
			lanahandiga	(Not) 1				Services (N		rrent Acc	ount		Income (N	o <b>t</b> )	TI	magnited (	Not)	
Period Ending			Ierchandise	Imports	Services	Transport	Travel	Communi -cation	Insurance	Other Gov't	Other Services	Income	Income (N Investment Income	Compen-		nrequited ( Private	Gov't	Total Currer Acct.
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
2005 2006 2007 2008 2009		3,938.5 5,257.5 5,721.4 9,064.4 2,453.2	9,663.1 12,100.2 13,391.3 18,686.4 9,175.2	5,724.6 6,842.7 7,669.9 9,622.0 6,973.1	643.9 389.0 565.4 614.4 721.3	155.6 114.5 117.5 89.3 89.4	353.0 197.4 369.4 321.6 463.4	29.4 28.3 32.5 24.4 13.7	174.3 133.0 139.6 217.9 223.1	-56.0 -66.4 -73.5 -44.8 -31.6	-12.3 -17.8 -20.1 6.0 -36.7	-396.5 -935.8 -963.7 -897.1 -1,219.5	-396.5 -935.8 -963.7 -897.1 -1,219.5	$\begin{array}{c} 0.0\\ 0.0\\ 0.0\\ 0.0\\ 0.0\\ 0.0\end{array}$	53.0 46.8 57.8 10.2 55.2	48.9 44.8 53.8 8.8 43.5	$\begin{array}{c} 4.1 \\ 2.0 \\ 4.0 \\ 1.4 \\ 11.7 \end{array}$	4,238.9 4,757.5 5,380.9 8,791.9 1,759.1
2005	I II III IV	877.3 803.9 776.2 1,481.1	2,019.7 2,329.9 2,415.6 2,897.9	1,142.4 1,526.0 1,639.4 1,416.8	191.3 116.4 155.2 181.0	-21.3 30.0 99.9 47.0	129.9 44.5 56.5 122.1	5.4 7.6 8.2 8.2	85.0 36.7 26.3 26.3	-15.8 -8.5 -22.2 -9.5	8.2 6.1 -13.5 -13.1	-86.4 -72.5 -77.0 -160.6	-86.4 -72.5 -77.0 -160.6	$\begin{array}{c} 0.0\\ 0.0\\ 0.0\\ 0.0\\ 0.0\end{array}$	9.7 13.3 15.0 15.0	9.2 12.4 13.3 14.0	$0.5 \\ 0.9 \\ 1.7 \\ 1.0$	991.9 861.1 869.4 1,516.5
2006	I II III IV	1,191.4 1,093.9 1,848.7 1,123.5	2,504.3 3,045.9 3,344.4 3,205.6	1,312.9 1,952.0 1,495.7 2,082.1	85.8 116.4 102.7 84.1	35.6 30.0 20.3 28.6	40.0 44.5 61.6 51.3	5.4 7.6 8.2 7.1	25.2 36.7 37.9 33.2	-28.6 -8.5 -12.7 -16.6	8.2 6.1 -12.6 -19.5	-334.3 -153.1 -245.8 -202.6	-334.3 -153.1 -245.8 -202.6	$\begin{array}{c} 0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 0.0 \end{array}$	9.4 13.3 12.4 11.7	8.9 12.4 12.3 11.2	0.5 0.9 0.1 0.5	952.3 1,070.5 1,718.0 1,016.7
2007	I II III IV	1,353.3 786.1 1,248.4 2,333.6	3,024.2 2,571.2 3,271.4 4,524.5	1,670.9 1,785.1 2,023.0 2,190.9	175.0 137.6 132.3 120.5	36.8 16.3 29.1 35.3	99.5 91.2 82.7 96.0	5.4 7.6 8.7 10.8	59.4 33.2 20.5 26.5	-15.3 -20.4 -16.2 -21.6	-10.8 9.7 7.5 -26.5	-255.2 -178.2 -260.2 -270.1	-255.2 -178.2 -260.2 -270.1	$\begin{array}{c} 0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 0.0 \end{array}$	8.5 15.7 16.8 16.8	8.0 15.1 15.1 15.6	0.5 0.6 1.7 1.2	1,281.6 761.2 1,137.3 2,200.8
2008	I II III IV	1,043.6 2,583.3 3,256.1 2,181.4	3,314.3 5,150.2 5,926.6 4,295.3	2,270.7 2,566.9 2,670.5 2,113.9	208.4 110.5 174.3 121.2	31.6 14.2 23.2 20.3	114.8 80.3 75.9 50.6	5.4 7.6 6.5 4.9	60.2 22.5 80.6 54.6	-11.6 -22.1 -5.6 -5.5	8.0 8.0 -6.3 -3.7	-99.0 -230.9 -340.3 -226.9	-99.0 -230.9 -340.3 -226.9	$\begin{array}{c} 0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 0.0 \end{array}$	2.2 0.6 5.6 1.8	2.5 0.5 5.0 0.8	-0.3 0.1 0.6 1.0	1,155.2 2,463.5 3,095.7 2,077.5
2009	I II III IV	2,575.3 -191.5 -209.6 279.0	4,120.8 1,595.1 1,509.7 1,949.6	1,545.5 1,786.6 1,719.3 1,921.7	205.9 144.9 190.2 180.3	34.5 13.7 21.3 19.9	105.9 131.6 94.4 131.5	5.4 4.2 5.3 -1.2	62.4 26.1 80.6 54.0	-10.6 -12.3 0.1 -8.8	8.3 -18.4 -11.5 -15.1	-386.5 -185.0 -343.1 -304.9	-386.5 -185.0 -343.1 -304.9	$\begin{array}{c} 0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 0.0 \end{array}$	13.3 13.4 17.4 11.1	11.8 11.7 11.5 8.5	1.5 1.7 5.9 2.6	2,408.0 -218.2 -345.1 -85.6
2010	I <sup>p</sup>	1,190.1	2,843.3	1,653.2	133.2	32.4	100.7	-0.7	21.9	1.0	-22.1	-373.9	-373.9	0.0	13.8	5.5	8.3	963.2

SOURCE: Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago and the Central Statistical Office.

#### TABLE 31 (Cont'd)

#### **BALANCE OF PAYMENTS - CAPITAL AND FINANCIAL ACCOUNT**

#### FOREIGN TRADE Jul 2010

		1																
		Capital &		Ca	apital & F	inancial Mo State	ovements (	Net)		Other	Overall			Central	Official Finan	cing L.M.F.		
eriod		Financial		Official <sup>1</sup>	Official <sup>2</sup>	Enterprise	Direct	Portfolio	Commerci			Official		Bank	Reserve	Reserve		Exceptiona
nding		Flows		Borrowing	Loans	Borrowing		t Investment		Flows	Deficit	Financing	Gov't	(Net)	Assets	Tranche	S.D.R.	
		18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34
005		-2,345.9	0.0	-65.9	0.0	-10.7	598.7	-23.8	61.7	-2.905.9	1.893.0	-1.893.0	0.0	-1.893.0	-1.893.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
006		-3,112.4	0.0	-39.5	0.0	-10.7	512.7	-28.1	-844.6	-2,702.2	1,645.1	-1,645.1	0.0	-1,645.1	-1,645.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
07		-3,847.7	0.0	176.8	0.0	-10.5	830.0	-25.7	88.2	-4,906.5	1,533.2	-1,533.2	0.0	-1,533.2	-1,533.2	0.0	0.0	0.0
008		-6,086.3	0.0	41.9	0.0	-10.7	1,858.4	-86.5	-42.2	-7,847.2	2,705.6	-2,705.6	0.0	-2,705.6	-2,705.6	0.0	0.0	0.0
009		-2,471.7	0.0	-197.0	0.0	-10.1	510.7	-62.9	-675.2	-1,997.0	-712.6	712.6	0.0	712.6	712.6	0.0	0.0	0.0
005	I	-733.3	0.0	-0.2	0.0	-2.3	235.8	-13.0	-162.6	-791.0	258.6	-258.6	0.0	-258.6	-258.6	0.0	0.0	0.0
	II	-545.2	0.0	-31.5	0.0	-2.8	178.4	-1.4	-7.2	-680.7	315.9	-315.9	0.0	-315.9	-315.9	0.0	0.0	0.0
	III	-207.6	0.0	-34.2	0.0	-2.8	110.1	-4.7	264.1	-540.1	661.8	-661.8	0.0	-661.8	-661.8	0.0	0.0	0.0
	IV	-859.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	-2.8	74.4	-4.7	-32.6	-894.1	656.7	-656.7	0.0	-656.7	-656.7	0.0	0.0	0.0
006	I	-439.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-2.3	95.0	-13.0	-363.7	-155.0	513.3	-513.3	0.0	-513.3	-513.3	0.0	0.0	0.0
	II	-317.5	0.0	-7.5	0.0	-2.8	153.6	-1.4	-207.4	-252.0	753.0	-753.0	0.0	-753.0	-753.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
	III	-1,355.5	0.0	-31.1	0.0	-2.8	175.4	-4.7	109.5	-1,601.8	362.5	-362.5	0.0	-362.5	-362.5	0.0	0.0	0.0
	IV	-1,000.4	0.0	-0.9	0.0	-2.8	88.7	-9.0	-383.0	-693.4	16.3	-16.3	0.0	-16.3	-16.3	0.0	0.0	0.0
007	I	-939.4	0.0	51.2	0.0	-2.3	212.9	-13.0	-294.5	-893.7	342.2	-342.2	0.0	-342.2	-342.2	0.0	0.0	0.0
	II	-163.7	0.0	24.4	0.0	-2.8	231.9	-1.4	261.9	-677.7	597.5	-597.5	0.0	-597.5	-597.5	0.0	0.0	0.0
	III	-842.4	0.0	90.3	0.0	-2.8	190.2	-4.9	59.2	-1,174.4	294.9	-294.9	0.0	-294.9	-294.9	0.0	0.0	0.0
	IV	-1,902.2	0.0	10.9	0.0	-2.6	195.0	-6.4	61.6	-2,160.7	298.6	-298.6	0.0	-298.6	-298.6	0.0	0.0	0.0
008	I	-492.1	0.0	9.6	0.0	-2.3	144.4	-12.9	69.6	-700.5	663.1	-663.1	0.0	-663.1	-663.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
	II	-1,066.0	0.0	32.4	0.0	-2.8	1,494.0	-25.3	-649.6	-1,914.7	1,397.5	-1,397.5	0.0	-1,397.5	-1,397.5	0.0	0.0	0.0
	III	-3,094.0	0.0	-11.4	0.0	-2.8	117.5	-29.1	759.1	-3,927.3	1.7	-1.7	0.0	-1.7	-1.7	0.0	0.0	0.0
	IV	-1,434.2	0.0	11.3	0.0	-2.8	102.5	-19.2	-221.3	-1,304.7	643.3	-643.3	0.0	-643.3	-643.3	0.0	0.0	0.0
009	I	-2,830.6	0.0	37.5	0.0	-2.3	110.4	-13.0	167.1	-3,119.9	-422.6	422.6	0.0	422.6	422.6	0.0	0.0	0.0
	II	62.7	0.0	-35.4	0.0	-2.8	123.0	-14.6	-3.8	7.9	-155.5	155.5	0.0	155.5	155.5	0.0	0.0	0.0
	III	494.0	0.0	-227.8	0.0	-2.5	176.6	-24.7	-444.4	1,035.0	148.9	-148.9	0.0	-148.9	-148.9	0.0	0.0	0.0
	IV	-197.8	0.0	28.7	0.0	-2.5	100.7	-10.6	-394.1	80.0	-283.4	283.4	0.0	283.4	283.4	0.0	0.0	0.0
010	I <sup>p</sup>	-826.4	0.0	4.0	0.0	-2.3	160.5	-1.2	58.0	-1,045.4	136.8	-136.8	0.0	-136.8	-136.8	0.0	0.0	0.0

SOURCE: Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago.

This includes all disbursements and amortizations of the central government.
 This refers to government lending to international bodies.
 Includes all other Public & Private Sector Capital Flows, Net Errors and Omissions, Regional Bonds Issued and changes to the Heritage and Stabilization Fund. The new SDR allocations are included in this item, for the third quarter of 2009.

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**TABLE 32** 

### **VISIBLE TRADE**<sup>(1)</sup>

#### FOREIGN TRADE

#### Jul 2010

					TT	\$Mn				
Period			Total Visible Trade		Tr	ade excl. all Minera			Trade excl. U.P.	
Ending		Exports	Imports	Balance	Exports	Imports	Balance	Exports	Imports	Balan
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
2005		60,548.5	35,869.1	24,679.4	18,045.3	23,386.5	-5,341.2	60,450.2	35,777.8	24,672.4
2006		89,298.0	40,934.2	48,363.8	21,272.3	26,604.5	-5,332.2	89,266.1	40,916.2	48,349.9
2007		84,383.8	48,329.5	36,054.3	28,626.8	32,141.9	-3,515.1	84,359.2	48,283.7	36,075.5
2008		116,907.6	60,197.8	56,709.8	35,106.8	39,079.0	-3,972.2	116,884.8	60,168.5	56,716.3
2009		57,708.0	43,935.7	13,772.3	13,963.2	29,454.3	-15,491.1	57,675.4	43,902.6	13,772.8
2005	I	12.669.9	7,166.4	5,503.5	3,331.7	4,389.0	-1.057.3	12.649.7	7.145.0	5,504.7
	_ II	27.262.3	16.724.1	10.538.2	8.189.5	10.604.3	-2.414.8	27.229.8	16.700.1	10,529.7
	III	42.391.0	26.991.6	15,399.4	12.793.8	17.479.6	-4,685.8	42.378.3	26.961.5	15,416.8
	IV	60,548.5	35,869.1	24,679.4	18,045.3	23,386.5	-5,341.2	60,450.2	35,777.8	24,672.4
2006	I	22,330.4	8,244.0	14,086.4	4,437.1	5,466.8	-1,029.7	22,297.6	8,223.2	14,074.4
	II	41,963.0	20,528.8	21,434.2	9,876.3	12,053.5	-2,177.2	41,940.7	20,484.3	21,456.4
	III	69,508.0	29,901.9	39,606.1	15,337.1	18,531.7	-3,194.6	69,463.6	29,861.1	39,602.5
	IV	89,298.0	40,934.2	48,363.8	21,272.3	26,604.5	-5,332.2	89,266.1	40,916.2	48,349.9
2007	I	19,043.0	10,521.5	8,521.5	6,578.0	7,050.0	-472.0	19,026.5	10,485.5	8,541.0
	II	35,229.4	21,759.5	13,469.9	11,820.6	14,935.0	-3,114.4	35,184.3	21,736.1	13,448.2
	III	55,859.0	34,616.6	21,242.4	17,582.1	23,173.5	-5,591.4	55,835.0	34,568.0	21,267.0
	IV	84,383.8	48,329.5	36,054.3	28,626.8	32,141.9	-3,515.1	84,359.2	48,283.7	36,075.5
2008	I	20,899.7	14,318.8	6,580.9	7,075.7	8,792.5	-1,716.8	20,854.9	14,298.0	6,556.9
	II	53,058.8	30,346.8	22,712.0	16,618.7	18,817.5	-2,198.8	53,020.8	30,288.4	22,732.4
	III	90,432.7	47,187.4	43,245.3	28,315.7	29,620.2	-1,304.5	90,372.8	47,136.3	43,236.5
	IV	116,907.6	60,197.8	56,709.8	35,106.8	39,079.0	-3,972.2	116,884.8	60,168.5	56,716.3
2009	I	25,797.2	9,675.3	16,121.9	3,502.4	7,237.5	-3,735.1	25,769.4	9,646.1	16,123.3
	II	35,815.1	20,895.7	14,919.4	6,344.3	14,878.0	-8,533.7	35,802.3	20,862.8	14,939.5
	III	45,345.3	31,749.7	13,595.6	9,979.1	22,002.9	-12,023.8	45,307.9	31,733.9	13,574.0
	IV	57,708.0	43,935.7	13,772.3	13,963.2	29,454.3	-15,491.1	57,675.4	43,902.6	13,772.8
2010	I <sup>p</sup>	18,042.7	10,490.8	7,551.9	3,683.4	6,704.2	-3,020.8	18,026.3	10,457.7	7,568.6

SOURCE: Central Statistical Office.

Data may not sum due to end of period adjustments.
 U.P.A or Under Processing Agreement. This item excludes to exports and imports of crude petroleum and petroleum related products traded under such agreements.

TABLE 33

#### COMMERCIAL BANKS FOREIGN CURRENCY ACCOUNTS SIZE DISTRIBUTION OF DEPOSITS

FOREIGN TRADE Jul 2010

#### /\$US/

#### QUARTER III- 2009

SIZE OF DEPOSITS	DEMA	ND DEPOSITS	SAVIN	GS DEPOSITS	TIM	E DEPOSITS	TOTAL DEPOSITS		
SIZE OF DEFUSITS	No.	VALUE	No.	VALUE	No.	VALUE	No.	VALUE	
UNDER \$5,000	1,789	2,032,461	49,575	47,782,240	1,683	4,053,995	53,047	53,868,695	
\$5,000 - \$50,000	691	12,557,987	13,565	212,018,600	2,671	44,947,313	16,927	269,523,899	
\$50,001 - \$100,000	188	13,117,900	1,456	100,702,029	398	28,913,507	2,042	142,733,436	
\$100,001 - \$200,000	159	22,305,844	752	103,339,704	282	38,626,693	1,193	164,272,241	
\$200,001 - \$500,000	154	47,709,634	431	130,232,394	150	46,197,482	735	224,139,510	
OVER \$500,000	145	643,484,543	242	638,780,144	229	1,200,400,318	616	2,482,665,005	
TOTAL	3,126	741,208,368	66,021	1,232,855,111	5,413	1,363,139,308	74,560	3,337,202,787	

#### QUARTER IV – 2009

	DEMA	ND DEPOSITS	SAV	INGS DEPOSITS	TIM	E DEPOSITS	ТОТ	AL DEPOSITS
SIZE OF DEPOSITS	No.	VALUE	No.	VALUE	No.	VALUE	No.	VALUE
UNDER \$5,000	1,778	1,942,278	50,624	48,863,547	1,762	3,902,987	54,164	54,708,812
\$5,000 - \$50,000	663	12,090,427	15,107	226,270,025	2,707	45,584,538	18,477	283,944,990
\$50,001 - \$100,000	187	13,246,657	1,674	120,441,641	436	31,588,551	2,297	165,276,849
\$100,001 - \$200,000	166	24,058,829	1,017	137,782,558	323	44,672,212	1,506	206,513,599
\$200,001 - \$500,000	170	54,856,751	589	180,270,107	179	53,222,210	938	288,349,068
OVER \$500,000	169	837,593,645	333	781,418,441	235	1,120,640,409	737	2,739,652,495
TOTAL	3,133	943,788,587	69,344	1,495,046,319	5,642	1,299,610,907	78,119	3,738,445,813

QUARTER I – 2010

	DEMA	ND DEPOSITS	SAVIN	NGS DEPOSITS	TIM	E DEPOSITS	TOTAL DEPOSITS		
SIZE OF DEPOSITS	No.	VALUE	No.	VALUE	No.	VALUE	No.	VALUE	
UNDER \$5,000	1,770	2,035,919	49,226	66,950,311	1,675	3,949,102	52,671	72,935,332	
\$5,000 - \$50,000	644	12,232,444	15,756	234,245,064	2,719	45,909,672	19,119	292,387,180	
\$50,001 - \$100,000	171	11,885,515	1,775	125,738,592	520	35,797,154	2,466	173,421,261	
\$100,001 - \$200,000	152	21,701,111	1,077	142,956,641	320	43,488,661	1,549	208,146,413	
\$200,001 - \$500,000	161	50,603,665	622	179,208,482	183	56,123,399	966	285,935,546	
OVER \$500,000	124	303,177,868	328	686,931,264	221	1,054,371,281	673	2,044,480,413	
TOTAL	3,022	401,636,522	68,784	1,436,030,354	5,638	1,239,639,269	77,444	3,077,306,145	

SOURCE: Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago.

#### FOREIGN TRADE

TABLE 34

# **DIRECTION OF TRADE WITH CARICOM COUNTRIES IMPORTS**<sup>1</sup>

**Jul 2010** 

							Г	T\$Mn							
Period		Guyana	Dominica	Grenada	St. Vincent	St. Lucia		tigua/Barbud <b>S</b> t			Jamaica	Bahamas	Suriname	Haiti	Total
Ending		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
2005		137.7	19.3	3.9	41.3	40.1	0.0	1.0	2.0	179.5	93.3	84.2	31.9	0.9	700.2
2006		117.5	19.8	2.8	25.9	28.0	1.7	1.8	3.0	204.1	110.2	1.0	51.9	0.9	611.9
2007		160.5	33.0	3.4	38.7	41.7	0.3	4.4	0.3	280.5	99.7	21.9	19.8	1.4	762.0
2008		197.9	48.6	3.0	31.6	60.8	0.1	0.8	1.4	228.1	100.3	10.0	31.0	1.2	772.0
2009		163.1	28.9	4.3	37.4	52.9	0.7	1.1	1.3	190.0	139.3	2.1	33.1	0.9	700.0
2005	I	32.2	2.6	0.3	6.1	3.9	0.0	0.2	0.1	36.1	16.2	0.1	1.9	0.2	117.8
	II	41.0	7.4	0.8	16.7	9.2	0.0	0.2	0.7	40.6	23.6	0.1	23.4	0.3	192.4
	III	31.0	4.7	2.0	11.5	12.0	0.0	0.4	0.4	50.0	19.8	84.0	3.0	0.2	227.3
	IV	33.4	4.7	0.8	7.0	14.9	0.0	0.3	0.8	52.9	33.8	0.0	3.6	0.3	162.7
2006	I	19.8	3.4	0.8	4.8	4.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	39.4	29.6	0.0	37.1	0.2	146.2
	II	34.9	7.2	0.3	5.9	10.9	0.9	0.1	0.1	69.9	27.4	0.0	4.3	0.1	175.3
	III	29.0	3.7	0.6	7.0	6.6	0.9	0.3	0.0	55.7	30.2	0.8	4.4	0.0	152.1
	IV	33.8	5.4	1.1	8.2	6.1	0.0	1.4	2.8	39.1	23.0	0.1	6.1	0.5	138.3
2007	I	28.3	9.7	1.0	11.3	4.4	0.0	4.2	0.0	53.6	23.6	0.1	4.3	0.4	150.9
	II	47.5	7.5	0.8	9.6	6.5	0.3	0.0	0.1	66.5	24.6	10.2	3.3	0.3	199.6
	III	38.1	7.4	1.0	9.3	6.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	81.7	25.8	4.4	6.4	0.6	188.7
	IV	46.6	8.4	0.6	8.6	24.8	0.0	0.2	0.1	78.8	25.9	7.1	5.8	0.2	222.7
2008	I	21.1	10.3	0.7	11.6	9.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	38.7	26.3	0.0	3.6	0.6	133.1
	II	74.5	10.6	0.8	7.2	14.7	0.0	0.1	0.7	77.9	21.5	0.0	11.1	0.0	240.1
	III	50.8	12.3	0.9	7.3	18.5	0.1	0.1	0.2	74.5	14.9	0.1	8.6	0.4	199.8
	IV	51.6	15.4	0.7	5.6	18.6	0.0	0.1	0.5	37.1	37.6	9.9	7.6	0.2	199.0
2009	I	26.8	7.8	0.7	9.0	10.7	0.0	0.9	0.3	36.1	26.8	1.5	5.6	0.6	141.3
	II	43.4	4.0	1.4	7.9	11.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	56.1	62.9	0.6	7.5	0.0	209.0
	III	40.1	6.6	1.2	11.2	15.3	0.5	0.1	0.4	36.4	30.1	0.0	11.5	0.4	161.9
	IV	52.8	10.5	0.9	9.4	15.9	0.2	0.0	0.4	61.5	19.4	0.0	8.4	0.0	187.8
2010	I <sup>p</sup>	38.1	9.2	0.3	7.6	9.8	0.0	0.3	1.1	56.2	18.3	22.3	4.4	0.0	178.2

SOURCE: Central Statistical Office.

1 Data may not add due to rounding.

#### FOREIGN TRADE

 TABLE 34 (Cont'd)

# DIRECTION OF TRADE WITH CARICOM COUNTRIES EXPORTS<sup>1,2</sup>

								TT\$Mn							
Period		Guyana	Dominica	Grenada	St. Vincent	St. Lucia	Monsterrat A	Antigua/Barbuda	St. Kitts/Nevis	Barbados	Jamaica	Bahamas	Suriname	Haiti	Total
Ending		15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
2005 2006 2007 2008 2009		1,671.6 2,089.0 1,466.4 1,940.4 1,026.9	182.2 218.6 184.4 276.7 143.9	564.5 629.1 566.4 660.4 300.3	342.0 490.1 382.1 500.7 277.6	504.7 709.6 568.1 873.0 467.6	7.8 10.5 13.6 14.1 6.8	194.9 511.2 421.9 1,519.6 575.9	235.7 426.8 256.9 248.4 136.9	2,542.0 2,915.2 1,782.6 3,385.1 1,706.7	4,496.9 5,055.0 3,818.6 7,811.1 2,993.5	594.9 184.4 85.5 653.4 46.3	1,396.0 1,850.2 1,220.0 2,752.1 1,137.2	25.2 102.1 204.7 207.4 48.9	15,223.9 11,026.2 20,896.9
2005	I II III IV	236.6 352.7 548.7 533.6	21.8 39.0 62.4 59.0	119.0 131.4 155.3 158.7	55.7 71.5 108.7 106.1	61.7 123.1 144.8 175.1	1.3 2.3 2.7 1.5	26.9 38.7 48.4 80.8	26.5 45.7 73.5 90.0	425.9 534.4 911.1 670.5	676.8 810.5 1,439.0 1,570.6	65.5 251.3 270.4 7.7	166.6 272.2 489.7 467.5	11.8 2.4 4.6 6.4	993.9 2,682.2 4,272.7 3,935.8
2006	I II III IV	493.8 445.8 557.5 592.0	51.8 50.9 58.6 57.4	154.8 125.0 185.2 164.2	126.8 104.9 144.9 113.6	157.3 143.5 223.3 185.4	2.0 2.7 2.6 3.2	184.7 77.1 141.9 107.5	195.3 62.2 101.8 67.5	804.9 547.5 811.9 750.8	1,233.8 842.5 1,774.1 1,204.6	106.1 28.3 39.4 10.6	503.6 348.1 494.9 503.5	30.5 28.7 33.7 9.1	4,052.4 2,814.8 4,577.7 3,778.9
2007	I II III IV	411.2 262.6 358.7 433.9	57.9 30.7 50.2 45.7	172.3 109.2 151.2 133.8	111.4 79.6 105.4 85.7	194.6 86.2 137.6 149.8	2.0 3.5 2.9 5.2	118.1 43.9 107.4 152.4	88.7 36.5 69.3 62.4	641.8 213.1 477.9 449.8	1,041.4 499.7 1,083.3 1,194.3	2.9 3.3 17.7 61.6	445.1 104.3 290.0 380.6	15.7 24.3 87.9 76.8	3,318.3 1,507.0 2,958.2 3,242.7
2008	I II III IV	305.8 498.1 534.1 602.5	29.0 84.9 82.3 80.5	123.6 161.6 220.1 155.0	69.4 122.6 177.3 131.4	122.7 213.4 312.1 224.9	2.6 4.8 3.6 3.1	135.6 90.6 1,016.3 277.2	39.6 91.4 65.4 52.1	436.1 737.4 1,352.3 859.3	721.7 2,530.7 2,217.7 2,341.0	27.4 32.6 301.3 292.1	306.6 594.5 964.5 886.5	55.8 40.8 91.2 19.6	2,383.8 5,225.5 7,344.6 5,943.0
2009	I II III IV	378.8 157.8 236.2 254.2	37.4 21.8 27.3 57.4	106.2 61.3 59.7 73.0	88.7 56.5 46.0 86.5	161.1 52.4 116.9 137.3	2.9 1.3 1.1 1.5	226.0 91.0 81.9 176.9	47.1 19.5 31.6 38.8	689.6 191.2 353.9 472.0	1,175.4 237.0 581.9 999.3	21.7 6.1 8.0 10.6	415.2 107.0 249.0 366.0	30.5 7.0 3.7 7.7	3,387.7 1,018.1 1,802.2 2,690.3
2010	I <sup>p</sup>	537.1	66.2	103.7	121.8	205.8	0.8	396.0	58.2	871.0	1,672.2	4.3	768.3	7.7	4,840.8

SOURCE: Central Statistical Office.

1 This refers to domestic exports of all goods grown, produced, extracted or manufactured in the (trader) country leaving the country (through Customs) for a foreign destination. 2 Data may not add due to rounding. Jul 2010

TABLE 35

#### TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO FOREIGN RESERVES<sup>1</sup>

**Jul 2010** 

							/US \$N	/In/						
					et Official Reser	ves						eign Position		
				Central Bank			-			Commercial B	anks	_		
Period Ending		Foreign Assets <sup>3</sup>	Of whi IMF Reserve Tranche Position	SDR Holdings	Foreign Liabilities	Net International Reserves (1-4)	Central Government	Net Official Reserves (5+6)	Foreign Assets	Foreign Liabilities	Net Foreign Position (8-9)	Gross Foreign Assets (1+6+8)	Total Foreign Liabilities (4+9)	Net Foreign Reserve (11-12)
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
2004 2005 2006 2007		2,540.4 4,015.0 5,134.0 6,673.5	$0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 0.0$	1.9 1.6 1.1 0.9	16.2 16.1 16.1 14.8	2,524.2 3,998.9 5,117.9 6,658.7	0.1 0.1 0.1 0.1	2,524.3 3,999.0 5,118.0 6,658.8	1,262.0 1,407.2 1,945.8 1,959.7	740.5 956.6 753.1 855.2	521.6 450.6 1,192.7 1,104.4	3,802.5 5,422.3 7,079.9 8,633.3	756.7 972.7 769.2 870.0	3,045.8 4,449.5 6,310.7 7,763.3
2007		9,380.3	0.0	1.1	16.2	9,364.1	0.1	9,364.2	2,203.5	746.4	1,457.1	11,583.9	762.6	10,821.4
2004	III IV	2,389.0 2,540.4	$\begin{array}{c} 0.0\\ 0.0\end{array}$	2.1 1.9	16.2 16.2	2,372.8 2,524.2	0.1 0.1	2,372.9 2,524.3	991.8 1,262.0	672.9 740.5	318.9 521.6	3,380.9 3,802.5	689.1 756.7	2,691.9 3,045.8
2005	I II III IV	2,799.3 3,114.7 3,402.2 4,015.0	0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0	1.8 1.8 2.0 1.6	16.2 16.2 16.1 16.1	2,783.1 3,098.5 3,386.1 3,998.9	0.1 0.1 0.1 0.1	2,783.2 3,098.6 3,386.2 3,999.0	1,348.4 1,334.7 1,191.7 1,407.2	653.4 635.7 849.5 956.6	694.9 699.0 342.2 450.6	4,147.8 4,449.6 4,593.9 5,422.3	669.6 651.9 865.6 972.7	3,478.2 3,797.6 3,728.4 4,449.5
2006	I II III IV	4,532.1 5,285.5 5,138.0 5,134.0	$0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 0.0$	1.1 1.1 1.1 1.1	16.1 16.0 16.2 16.1	4,516.0 5,269.5 5,121.8 5,117.9	0.1 0.1 0.1 0.1	4,516.1 5,269.6 5,121.9 5,118.0	1,650.0 1,750.4 1,579.7 1,945.8	835.7 809.6 747.9 753.1	814.3 940.8 831.8 1,192.7	6,182.2 7,036.0 6,717.8 7,079.9	851.8 825.6 764.1 769.2	5,330.4 6,210.4 5,953.7 6,310.7
2007	I II III IV	5,483.7 6,081.3 6,376.3 6,673.5	0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0	1.2 2.1 1.5 0.9	16.0 16.1 16.2 14.8	5,467.7 6,065.2 6,360.1 6,658.7	0.1 0.1 0.1 0.1	5,467.8 6,065.3 6,360.2 6,658.8	2,206.3 1,955.3 1,884.5 1,959.7	719.1 796.2 784.6 855.2	1,487.2 1,159.1 1,099.9 1,104.4	7,690.0 8,036.7 8,260.9 8,633.3	735.1 812.3 800.8 870.0	6,954.9 7,224.5 7,460.1 7,763.3
2008	I II III IV	7,336.6 8,734.1 8,737.2 9,380.3	$0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 0.0$	2.5 2.5 1.5 1.1	14.8 14.8 16.2 16.2	7,321.8 8,719.3 8,721.0 9,364.1	0.1 0.1 0.1 0.1	7,321.9 8,719.4 8,721.1 9,364.2	1,976.2 2,586.1 2,079.0 2,203.5	941.3 901.6 649.6 746.4	1,034.9 1,684.5 1,429.4 1,457.1	9,312.9 11,320.3 10,816.3 11,583.9	956.1 916.4 665.8 762.6	8,356.8 10,403.9 10,150.5 10,821.4
2009	I II III IV	8,957.6 8,802.2 8,934.9 8,651.5	$0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 0.0$	1.0 1.0 435.2 421.4	16.2 16.2 0.0 0.0	8,941.4 8,786.0 8,934.9 8,651.5	0.1 0.1 0.1 0.1	8,941.5 8,786.1 8,935.0 8,651.6	2,003.0 2,034.1 2,354.2 2,739.3	713.0 740.3 623.0 607.0	1,290.0 1,293.8 1,731.1 2,132.3	10,960.7 10,836.4 11,289.1 11,390.9	729.2 756.5 623.0 607.0	10,231.5 10,079.9 10,666.1 10,783.9
2010	Ι	8,788.3	0.0	418.3	0.0	8,788.3	0.1	8,788.4	2,594.8	522.7	2,072.1	11,383.2	522.7	10,860.5

SOURCE: Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago.

1 With effect from January 1993, the valuation of Central Bank liabilities under the Use of Funds Credit is based on the current SDR/US market exchange rates. Previously, this valuation was calculated as a constant accounting rate of SDR 1 = US\$ 1.30.

2 With effect from April 13, 1993, Trinidad and Tobago shifted from a fixed exchange rate regime to a system whereby the par value of the Trinidad and Tobago dollar in terms of the United States dollar shall be based on prevailing market rates.

3 On March 15, 2007 the Heritage and Stabilization Fund Act (Act No. 6 of 2007) was assented to by the President. The Fund will be managed by an independent Board of Directors and will no longer be included in the Central Bank's assets.

# **APPENDIX II:**

# **FEATURE ARTICLES**

IIa. Measuring Capacity Utilization in the Manufacturing Sector of Trinidad and Tobago

IIb. The Trinidad and Tobago Energy Commodity Price Index

# IIa. Measuring Capacity Utilization in the Manufacturing Sector of Trinidad and Tobago

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The Central Bank is continuing to develop a range of indicators that would help to identify emerging trends in the domestic economy. One of these is a measure of capacity utilization in the domestic manufacturing sector. This quarterly series which begins in 2009, is being launched in July 2010 and is based on company data provided to the Bank. The initial results show that capacity utilization in the manufacturing sector averaged 65.0 per cent in 2009 but fell to 62.6 percent during the first quarter of 2010 primarily due to a rise in excess capacity in food manufacturing activities. While it is difficult to make strong inferences, based on the short history of the series, these data—along with other production indicators—suggest that there remains a great deal of scope for expanding manufacturing output with existing plant and equipment.

#### I. Background

Capacity utilization rates, which compare actual output to some measure of potential output, can be computed at the individual company or at more aggregated levels. They have been employed for many years to analyze the state of economies at both the micro and macro levels. The rates have been used along with other factors to explain the behaviour of investments, inflation, productivity, profits, inventory and output. These rates can also aid businessmen, economists and governments in forecasting future activity when new policy measures are implemented. The literature broadly divides measures of capacity output into two categories: 'traditional' and 'economic' measures. Traditional measures utilize engineering based techniques or input-output methods that take no account of cost considerations. On the other hand, economic measures are more closely tied to firm behaviour involving profit maximization or cost minimization methods.

Regardless of the measurement procedure, the capacity utilization rate is merely the ratio of actual to the potential output:

#### CU rate = Y/Y\*100

Where Y is observed output, Y\* is potential output, and CU is capacity utilization.

The principal controversy in the literature relates to the computation of maximum output/ production. Johansen (1968), defined the strict engineering concept (the most prominent of the traditional measures) of capacity output as the maximum level of output producible by a firm with currently installed fixed assets, even when other (variable) inputs are available without restriction. In actual surveys, a more practical definition of capacity output is used. Here "practical capacity" is considered as the *"maximum level of production that an establishment could reasonably expect to attain under normal and realistic operating conditions fully utilizing the machinery and equipment in place".* 

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It should be noted that the traditional capacity measures have been criticized on the following grounds:<sup>2</sup>

- Although capacity utilization indices based on production and engineering data are widely used, they are subject to ambiguous interpretations and suspect economic foundations; and
- Traditional engineering measures ignore limitations in the supply of inputs which may affect the ability of firms to reach certain levels of outputs.

In response to the difficulties with the engineering measure of capacity output, several authors including Cassels (1937) and Klein (1960), have promoted an economic concept<sup>3</sup> which incorporates cost minimization or profit maximization behaviour. The economic measure<sup>4</sup> of capacity output is defined as the production level at the minimum point of the short run average cost (SRAC) curve. This is shown on Figure 1 below:

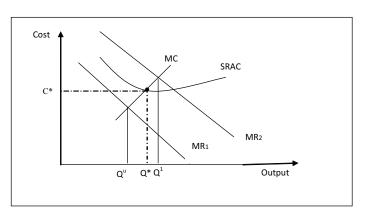


Figure 1: Capacity Output Under the Economic Concept

Optimal output, Q<sup>u</sup>, is determined by the short-run profit maximization point where marginal revenue (MR) equals short-run marginal cost (SRMC). Capacity output Q\* is the level of output at which short-run average cost function is at a minimum. Actual production (profit maximizing level of output), Q<sup>u</sup>, is less than capacity output yielding a capacity utilization rate less than unity. This may occur as a consequence of low demand or inventory buildup as part of a firm's internal strategy. In some cases, increased demand can lead to increased output near to capacity or even beyond capacity output. For example, in temporary peak periods, an expansion in demand leads to a shift in the marginal revenue curve outwards from MR<sub>1</sub> to MR<sub>2</sub>. This leads to a profit maximizing level of output Q<sup>1</sup> which exceeds capacity output Q\*, thereby generating a capacity utilization rate exceeding unity.

In practice, the engineering method is utilized in most countries (including the United States and Canada). Despite its weak economic-theoretic foundation, the literature does provide some support for its use. According to Doyle (2000), studies by Schnader (1984) and Christiano (1981), suggest that survey respondents tend to use some version of practical capacity since the economic definition involves estimating cost functions which requires more information

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See for example Azeez (2002), Garofalo and Malhotra (1997), and Gajanan and Malhotra (2007).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The economic capacity concept dates back to Cassel's paper in 1937.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See Klein, (1960); Berndt and Morrison, (1981); Morrison, (1985).

than a business actually has. Forest (1979) also pointed out that in any event the definition of practical capacity really combines both the engineering and economic concepts—in essence, the engineering measure of maximum production (which directs the respondent to compute capacity considering a "realistic work schedule") introduces economic considerations. Based on these factors, the first phase of this analysis involves use of the engineering method.<sup>5</sup>

#### **II.** Calculation

#### Methodology and the Quarterly Survey of Domestic Production

The Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago routinely conducts a Quarterly Survey of Domestic Production for the purpose of compiling its Quarterly Index of Gross Domestic Product. In the first quarter of 2009, a modified survey was distributed to the Manufacturing sector requesting additional information; maximum production (see Box 1 for the definition of maximum production in the Survey), employment, hours worked capacity changes and capacity constraints.

#### Box 1

#### Definition of Maximum Production in the Quarterly Survey of Domestic Production

**Maximum production** - maximum level of output producible by a firm with currently installed fixed assets, even when other (variable) inputs are available without any restriction. Computation of this maximum level of production is based on the following assumptions:

- Only the machinery and equipment in place and ready to operate will be utilized.
- Labor, materials, utilities, etc. are fully available.
- The number of shifts, hours of plant operations, and overtime pay that can be sustained under **normal** conditions and a **realistic** work schedule.

For the purpose of the current exercise, capacity utilization rates are computed at the product, firm and sub-sector levels as well as for the overall manufacturing sector.

Capacity utilization rates for each firm are computed using the formula:

 $C_i = Y_i / Y^* * 100$ 

where:  $Y_i = actual production$ 

Y\*

= maximum production of firm i,

 $C_i$  = capacity utilization rate for firm i.

The manufacturing sector is sub-divided into seven sub-sectors in accordance with the Trinidad and Tobago System of National Accounts (TTSNA). These sub-sectors are Food, Drink and Tobacco (FDT), Chemicals & Non-Metallic Minerals (CNM), Assembly Type & Related Industries (ARI), Printing, Publishing, Etc (PPE), Textiles, Garment & Footwear (TGF), Wood & Related Products (WRP) and Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries (MMI). The rates at the firm level are aggregated to derive the capacity utilization rates at the sub-sector level using the relevant weights<sup>6</sup>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Extensions to the economic methodology will be undertaken when adequate cost and profit information from firms are available.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> The weights used reflect firms' contribution to Manufacturing real value added in the base year (2000).

The sub-sectors' weights<sup>7</sup> are presented in Table 1 below:

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Sub-sectors	Weights (base year = 2000)
Food, Drink & Tobacco	46.5
Chemicals & Non-Metallic Minerals	19.0
Assembly Type & Related Industries	11.2
Printing, Publishing, Etc	10.8
Textiles, Garment & Footwear	3.1
Wood & Related Products	3.5
Miscellaneous	6.0
Total	100

This table indicates that the FDT, CNM and the ARI sub-sectors, which accounted for 76.7 per cent of manufacturing value added in the year 2000, dominate economic activity in the Manufacturing sector.

The sub-sectoral weighting formula for the capacity utilization rate of the overall Manufacturing sector is represented as follows:

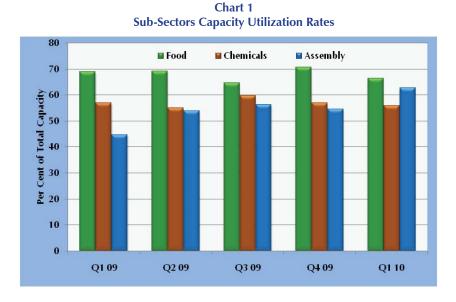
$$CU_{manuf} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{7} W_i C_i}{\sum_{i=1}^{7} W_i}$$

Where:  $W_i$  = Weight for sub-sector i.

 $C_i$  = Capacity utilization rate for sub-sector i.  $CU_{manuf}$  = Capacity utilization rate for the Manufacturing sector.

An expansion of this formula yields:

$$CU_{Manuf} = [(C_{FDT} * W_{FDT}) + (C_{CNM} * W_{CNM}) + (C_{ARI} * W_{ARI}) + (C_{PPE} * W_{PPE}) + (C_{TGF} * W_{TGF}) + (C_{WRP} * W_{WRP}) + (C_{MMI} * W_{MMI})]/(W_{FDT} + W_{CNM} + W_{ARI} + W_{PPE} + W_{TGF} + W_{WRP} + W_{MMI})$$



These weights reflect sub-sectors contribution to Manufacturing real value added in the base year (2000). The weights therefore are not fully representative of the current structure of manufacturing activity and will be updated when the national accounts are rebased.

#### **III. Results**

Computational results for the various Manufacturing sub-sectors<sup>8</sup> are presented in Chart 1, while capacity utilization rates for the overall Manufacturing sector are illustrated in Chart 2.



Chart 2 Capacity Utilization Rates in the Manufacturing Sector

The results in Chart 1 suggest that among the Manufacturing sub-sectors, the FDT sub-sector recorded the highest capacity utilization rates for 2009. Sales data for 2009 suggest that the demand for food products, both domestically and from other Caribbean countries, has been less sensitivity to the economic downturn than other manufacturing activities. More recent data indicate, however, that output of the Food, Drink and Tobacco sub-sector may have slipped in the first quarter of 2010 when compared to the same period of 2009, thereby leading to a reduction in the capacity utilization rate in the Manufacturing sector.

For the Manufacturing sector as a whole, the results indicate that capacity utilization rates averaged around 65.0 per cent during 2009. Barring a peak during the fourth quarter of 2009, capacity utilization in the Manufacturing sector has been on a declining trend. The capacity utilization rate for the first quarter of 2010 (62.6 per cent) was 3.9 per cent lower than in the first quarter of 2009 largely on account of reduced production in most sub-sectors, especially the FDT sub-sector. The rates broadly indicate that there is still significant spare capacity in the Manufacturing sector. One implication is that manufacturing output could respond to a recovery in demand without the need in the short run for major investments in new plant and equipment. Indeed, there could also be a substantial lag in manufacturing companies' having to hire new workers as output goes up.

#### **IV.** Conclusion

The preliminary results indicate that there is still considerable spare capacity in the economy which is undoubtedly related to the economic slowdown. One particular concern facing many countries is how quickly employment responds to an economic recovery. In general, the higher the level of slack capacity in an economy, the longer it takes for employment (and inflation to rise). These notions would be explored further as the data collection process expands.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> The capacity utilization rates for the overall Manufacturing sector and selected sub-sectors (Food, Drink and Tobacco, Chemicals and Non Metallic Minerals and Assembly Type and Related Industries) will be published in Summary Economic Indicators.

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#### IIb. The Energy Commodity Price Index

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The Energy Commodity Price Index (ECPI) is a summary measure of the price movements of Trinidad and Tobago's top ten energy-based commodity exports. Developed in a collaborative effort between the Energy Chamber and the Central Bank, the series is based on export values in 2007 and complements other available price indicators, including of individual commodities and sectoral export price indices prepared by the Central Statistical Office. The ECPI has the advantage of bringing together various, and sometimes divergent, price movements while its weighting structure is a good representation of the current importance of the commodities in Trinidad and Tobago's trade. The ECPI shows the relatively steady upward international price trend in energy-based products between 2009 and early 2008. This was followed by a dramatic plunge in the second half of 2008 and a gradual recovery thereafter. In early 2010, the relative steadiness of the ECPI reflects offsetting movements between the prices of petroleum and natural gas.

#### I. Introduction

Following the precipitous fall in energy commodity prices during the fourth quarter of 2008 and the extreme volatility which ensued thereafter, the Energy Chamber of Trinidad and Tobago (previously called the South Trinidad Chamber of Industry and Commerce) considered developing a summary indicator of energy prices. This indicator would provide policymakers and the general public with timely information on price trends in the energy sector and help to inform the inferences on variables such as government revenue and foreign exchange receipts.

In February 2009, the Chamber enlisted the assistance of the Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago. The result of this collaboration, an Energy Commodity Price Index (ECPI) is presented in this note. In broad terms, the ECPI is an average of international commodity prices of key energy exports of Trinidad and Tobago weighted by each commodity's relative share of the value of energy exports. Movements in the index can provide an overall indication of how changes in the relevant international commodity prices could affect Trinidad and Tobago's export earnings or government revenue. The index will be updated monthly and published on the websites of the Energy Chamber, the Ministry of Energy and Energy Industries and the Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago.<sup>2</sup>

#### II. Methodology for the Development of the ECPI

The methodology for developing the index involved the choice of an appropriate statistical method and selection of price data. Since the index would essentially convey price movements of a selected basket of energy commodities, the Laspeyres method was chosen.

A Laspeyres price index is computed by taking the ratio of the total cost of purchasing a specified group of commodities at current prices to the cost of that same group at base-period prices and

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multiplying by 100. The base-period index number is thus 100, and periods with higher (lower) price levels have index numbers greater (less) than 100. The distinctive feature of the Laspeyres index is that it uses a group of commodities purchased in the base period as the basis for comparison. In other words, a commodity's relative price (the ratio of the current price to the base-period price) is weighted by the commodity's relative importance to all purchases during the base period.

The formula is as follows:

 $P_{t} = \frac{\sum p_{n} q_{0}}{\sum p_{0} q_{0}}$ 

Where  $p_{o}$  and  $q_{o}$  are the price and quantities in the base period respectively and  $p_{n}$  is the price in the current period. The result,  $P_{t}$ , is a fraction that is normally multiplied by 100.

A Paasche index was also considered.<sup>3</sup> This approach has the advantage that the weights would be updated to reflect how production changes over time. In other words, the latest production data are used to determine the weights. However, gathering monthly production data on a timely basis proved to be a challenge and given that the primary objective of the index is to convey information to the public expeditiously, the Paasche method was not chosen.

#### Data Sources

Following a review of data on export values from the Central Statistical Office (CSO) and based on the availability of appropriate benchmark prices, it was decided that the Index would comprise the top ten energy commodities in terms of value in 2007 (see Table I).

1. Liquefied natural gas	6.	Motor gasoline
2. Crude oil	7.	Natural gasoline
3. Ammonia	8.	Jet fuel/Kerosene
4. Methanol	9.	Propane
5. Gas oil (Diesel)	10.	Urea

 Table 1

 Top Ten Energy Commodities in Export Values \*

\* Based on CSO annual data for 2007.

The associated benchmark prices<sup>4</sup> were obtained from a range of established sources:

- Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) LNG is benchmarked to the Henry Hub natural gas price given that more than 50 per cent of Trinidad and Tobago's natural gas exports are destined for the United States. These prices were sourced from *Bloomberg*.
- **Crude Oil** The price for the **West Texas Intermediate (WTI)** grade of crude was used. The quality of this crude, in terms of its API gravity<sup>5</sup>, is fairly similar to that which is exported from Trinidad and Tobago. These prices were also sourced from *Bloomberg*.
- For **ammonia** and **urea**, the **f.o.b. Caribbean** prices were utilized. These prices were sourced from the *Fertilizer Weekly* and the *Green Markets* publications and reflect the cost of Trinidad and Tobago's products loaded at the Point Lisas Port.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> It should be emphasized that most of the international prices utilized in this exercise are not the actual prices received, but represent the best available proxy. For example, Trinidad and Tobago's earnings from LNG are based on a net-back price and not the Henry Hub. However, the movements in the international prices selected give a very good indication of the movements in the actual prices received by Trinidad and Tobago's exporters.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Consensus standards for crude quality as developed by the American Petroleum Institute.

- The benchmark price for **methanol** is the **US Gulf Coast Spot Price** which was sourced from the *Chemical Markets Associates*, Inc. in the US
- For several commodities—gas oil (diesel), motor gasoline, jet fuel/kerosene and propane the US Gulf Coast Import Price, sourced from the United States *Energy Information Administration* was utilised.
- Natural gasoline The reference price is the NYMEX Mont Belvieu natural gasoline price sourced from *Bloomberg*.

#### **III.** Construction of the Index

#### Selection of Weights

Shares in energy export values in 2007 were used as weights for the Index. Since 2000, a considerable amount of capacity was added in the methanol, ammonia and liquefied natural gas industries. The wave of capacity additions came to a climax in early 2006, with the commissioning of Atlantic LNG's Train 4 facility. The introduction of Train 4—which reached optimum production levels in the subsequent year—significantly impacted the energy mix, solidifying natural gas as the main export from Trinidad and Tobago. Consequently, the year 2007 was considered a period that adequately represented the current structure of energy exports from Trinidad and Tobago.

#### Steps in Constructing the Index

The process of constructing the ECPI (using the Laspeyres method) was undertaken in the following steps:

1. Each commodity was weighted according to its relative contribution to the value of total energy exports of the 10 commodities in 2007. The weights (w) used in the calculation of the ECPI take the form of:

$$w_i = \frac{p_{i0}q_{i0}}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_{i0}q_{i0}}$$

Where  $p_{i_0} q_{i_0}$  is the export value of the *i*th commodity in the base period (0).

The weights of the commodities are:

Table 2Weights of the Energy Commodities

Commodity	Percentage of Total Export Values	
Liquefied natural gas	40.0()	
Liquefied natural gas	$40.0(w_1)$	
Crude Oil	16.6 (w <sub>2</sub> )	
Ammonia	11.8	
Methanol	9.4	
Gas oil/Diesel	7.0	
Motor gasoline	4.3	
Natural gasoline	3.5	
Jet fuel/Kerosene	2.7	
Propane	2.4	
Urea	2.3 (w <sub>10</sub> )	
Total	100.0	

- 2. The average (arithmetic) monthly price for each of the 10 commodities was then computed.
- 3. A geometric average of the weighted prices was then computed using the following formula:

 $\prod_{i=1}^{n} (w_{i}p_{j})^{1/n}$ 

Where  $w_i$  is the weight of the *i*th commodity;  $p_i$  is the price of the *i*th commodity and *n* is the *n*th root.

Alternatively, the formula for the 10 commodities in Table 2 could be written as:

 $_{10}\sqrt{w_1Liq.Nat.Gas avg^* w_2Crude Oil avg^* w_3Ammonia avg... w_{10}Urea avg}$ 

4. The Index was computed using the formula:

$$\frac{\Sigma p_{ij}}{\Sigma p_{0j}} *100$$

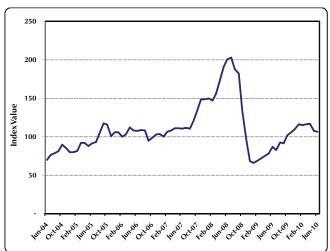
Where  $p_{ij}$  is the geometric average price of the 10 commodities in period *i* and  $p_{0j}$  is the geometric average price of the 10 commodities in the base period (January 2007).

#### **IV. Results**

The Index is illustrated in Figure I and values are detailed in Appendix I. An increase (decrease) in the index value signifies a rise (fall) in the weighted average prices of the energy commodities exported by Trinidad and Tobago. As an example, the movement in the Index from 100 in January 2007 to 106.6 the following month reflects a 6.6 per cent rise in the average price of the top ten energy-based commodity exports.

On a year-on-year basis to June 2010, the ECPI increased by 22.6 per cent based on a recovery in the prices for all the commodities which constitute the ECPI. Optimism in the first few months of 2010 that the global economic recovery underway was sustainable and would eventually lead to an upsurge in the demand for energy, served to bolster energy prices.

It is interesting to note that, despite a relatively large increase in petroleum prices over the first three months of 2010, the ECPI was relatively unchanged during this period. Essentially, price gains in crude oil and refined petroleum products were almost totally offset by the decline in the price of natural gas. Looking at changes in the prices of crude oil or natural gas individually





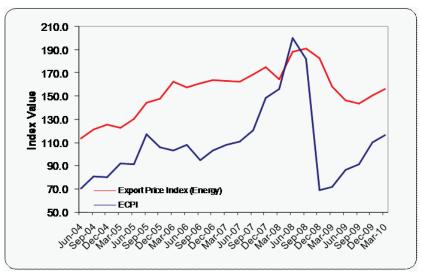
Source: Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago.

would have generated a distorted picture of the overall impact on Trinidad and Tobago. By taking price movements of several commodities into account simultaneously however, the ECPI allows for a clearer assessment, particularly when energy prices are moving at different speeds and directions.

#### V. Comparison with the Index of Average Unit Value of Exports

One available index on the prices of energy exports is the Index of Average Unit Value of Exports, which is published quarterly by the Central Statistical Office (CSO) with a base year of 1996. The price of energy exports can be gleaned from Section 3 (Mineral Fuels and Lubricants) and Section 5 (Chemicals) of the index. For comparison purposes, a composite index was computed by calculating a weighted average of sections 3 and 5 according to each group's relative contribution to total energy exports (the sum of the weights for sections 3 and 5) in 1996. The results are presented in Figure II and show an important variation with the ECPI in terms of degree of fluctuation—while the direction and main turning points are similar in both indices, the movements in the ECPI are more pronounced. The main reason for this is the exclusion of LNG from the product mix in the CSO's index—Trinidad and Tobago commenced the production of LNG in 1999 and given that this index has a base year of 1996, changes in the price of LNG were not tracked by the index.





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

#### **VI.** Conclusion

The energy sector is central to the performance of the Trinidad and Tobago economy, accounting for almost half of the country's GDP, 55 per cent of total government revenue and approximately 90 per cent of total merchandise exports. The ECPI can give an early summary indication of developments in international prices of energy-based commodities produced by Trinidad and Tobago, signalling along with other information, the evolution of economic growth, the fiscal accounts and the balance of payments. Moreover, while the ECPI has been developed using actual data, forecasts of individual energy prices can be easily incorporated in the Index, aiding further in its relevance for policy making.

# Appendix I

# Table 3Trinidad and Tobago Energy Commodity Price Index (Jan 2007=100)

Date	Index	Date	Index
May-04	69.02	Jun-07	110.67
Jun-04	70.01	Jul-07	111.30
Jul-04	76.46	Aug-07	110.68
Aug-04	78.61	Sep-07	120.37
Sep-04	81.07	Oct-07	134.74
Oct-04	89.82	Nov-07	148.54
Nov-04	85.48	Dec-07	148.59
Dec-04	79.75	Jan-08	149.74
Jan-05	80.02	Feb-08	146.73
Feb-05	81.53	Mar-08	156.22
Mar-05	91.84	Apr-08	172.50
Apr-05	91.96	May-08	190.74
May-05	87.61	Jun-08	200.24
Jun-05	91.53	Jul-08	202.83
Jul-05	93.13	Aug-08	187.70
Aug-05	104.66	Sep-08	182.11
Sep-05	117.28	Oct-08	133.17
Nov-05	115.72	Nov-08	96.15
Dec-05	100.66	Dec-08	68.52
Jan-06	105.78	Jan-09	65.94
Feb-06	105.80	Feb-09	68.74
Mar-06	100.29	Mar-09	71.59
Apr-06	103.01	Apr-09	74.94
May-06	111.92	May-09	78.11
Jun-06	108.05	Jun-09	86.67
Jul-06	107.72	Jul-09	82.88
Aug-06	108.52	Aug-09	92.41
Sep-06	107.93	Sep-09	91.12
Oct-06	94.72	Oct-09	102.03
Nov-06	98.54	Nov-09	105.96
Dec-06	102.81	Dec-09	109.95
		Jan-10	116.05
Jan-07	100.00	Feb-10	115.27
Feb-07	106.61	Mar-10	116.23
Mar-07	107.91	Apr-10	116.50
Apr-07	111.06	May-10	107.63
May-07	110.94	Jun-10	106.29 <sup>p</sup>

Source: Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago.

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#### Appendix II

#### The Trinidad and Tobago Energy Commodity Price Index Using the Paasche Method of Index Calculation

#### I. The Paasche Statistical Method

A Paasche index compares the cost of purchasing the current basket of goods and services with the cost of purchasing the same basket in an earlier period. The prices are weighted by the quantities of the current period. This means that each time the index is calculated, the weights change. The Paasche index could be represented as follows:

Index = 
$$\frac{\sum (P_{it}Q_{it})}{\sum (P_{io}Q_{it})} *100$$

Where  $P_{it}$  = Price of commodity i (i = 1,...,n) in period t

 $P_{i0}$  = Price of commodity *i* (*i* = 1,...,n) in the base period

 $Q_{it} = Output of commodity i in period t$ 

Generally, the Laspeyres and Paasche indices give similar results provided the periods being compared are not too far apart. The greater the length of time between the two periods being compared, the more opportunity there is for differential price and quantity movements and hence differences between the two indices.

#### II. Construction of the Paasche-ECPI

#### (a) Data Sources

The sources for the benchmark prices for the ten commodities used under the Laspeyres method were retained. Meanwhile, data on output of each of the commodities were sourced from the monthly bulletins produced by the Ministry of Energy and Energy Industries.

#### (b)Steps in Constructing the Index

The ECPI using the Paasche method was constructed as follows:

- 1. The average monthly price of each commodity was expressed in an index number format, with January 2007 as the base period.
- 2. The production data for each commodity was converted to an equivalent unit. For the purposes of this exercise, the output of each commodity was represented in tonnes.
- 3. Each commodity was assigned a weight according to its relative proportion of total production for the 10 commodities. The weights (w) used in the calculation of the ECPI take the form of:

$$W_i = \frac{q_{it}}{\sum_{i=1}^n q_{it}}$$

Where  $q_{it}$  is the output of the ith commodity in time period t 4. The price index for each commodity in time period t ( $I_{it}$ ) was weighted according to the weight of the commodity in period t ( $w_{it}$ ).

5. The ECPI was derived from the sum of the weighted price indices. The formula is as follows:  $\Sigma$ 

$$\text{ECPI} = \frac{\sum w_{it} I_{it}}{\sum w_{it-1} I_{it-1}} * 100$$

#### (c) Results

Table IV and Figure III show that while the index values computed using the Paasche method differ from those produced using the Laspeyres method, the trajectory of the indices are similar. The chart also shows one of the properties of the Paasche method, which is the fact that it typically underestimates the phenomenon it is attempting to measure. When prices increase, cheaper goods are substituted for those that become more expensive. Since the weights of the index are based on quantities in the current period, the index places greater importance (weight) on items that are relatively cheaper.

Date	Index	Date	Index
Jan-07	100.00	Sep-08	159.48
Feb-07	109.35	Oct-08	133.12
Mar-07	103.45	Nov-08	98.09
Apr-07	105.59	Dec-08	71.21
May-07	102.20	Jan-09	64.79
Jun-07	100.75	Feb-09	62.36
Jul-07	95.53	Mar-09	62.43
Aug-07	97.65	Apr-09	64.10
Sep-07	105.11	May-09	66.02
Oct-07	122.74	Jun-09	69.09
Nov-07	136.49	Jul-09	65.85
Dec-07	132.33	Aug-09	70.60
Jan-08	137.36	Sep-09	71.57
Feb-08	143.26	Oct-09	83.88
Mar-08	151.83	Nov-09	83.44
Apr-08	159.22	Dec-09	91.70
May-08	171.03	Jan-10	96.79
Jun-08	180.07	Feb-10	96.38
Jul-08	174.77	Mar-10	94.46
Aug-08	160.80		

# Table 4Index Values of the Energy Commodity Price Index (Paasche Method)(Jan 2007=100)

Source: Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago.

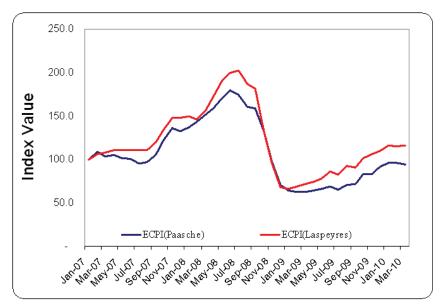


Figure 3 The Trinidad and Tobago Energy Commodity Price Index (Jan 2007=100)

Source: Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago.

#### **Appendix III**

#### The Trinidad and Tobago Energy Commodity Price Index Using the Fisher Method of Index Calculation

The Fisher price index is a method used to overcome the problems of over-statement and under-statement of index values associated with using the Laspeyres and Paasche approaches to index number calculation<sup>1</sup>. The Fisher index is a price index computed for a given period by taking the square root of the product of the Paasche index value and the Laspeyres index value. The index values using this method are illustrated in Table V. A comparison of the results using the Laspeyres, Paasche and Fisher methodologies are presented in Figure IV.

#### Table 5 Index Values of the Energy Commodity Price Index (Fisher Method) (Jan 2007=100)

Date	Index	Date	Index
Jan-07	100.00	Sep-08	162.41
Feb-07	110.39	Oct-08	132.38
Mar-07	105.15	Nov-08	99.24
Apr-07	108.42	Dec-08	72.47
May-07	106.58	Jan-09	66.96
Jun-07	105.14	Feb-09	64.59
Jul-07	100.28	Mar-09	65.44
Aug-07	101.15	Apr-09	66.61
Sep-07	108.04	May-09	69.74
Oct-07	124.05	Jun-09	74.08
Nov-07	137.05	Jul-09	69.78
Dec-07	133.78	Aug-09	75.31
Jan-08	139.56	Sep-09	75.28
Feb-08	145.08	Oct-09	87.72
Mar-08	155.36	Nov-09	87.83
Apr-08	164.27	Dec-09	95.91
May-08	177.44	Jan-10	101.50
Jun-08	188.39	Feb-10	100.29
Jul-08	182.69	Mar-10	98.41
Aug-08	165.19		

Source: Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The calculation of the Laspeyres index is such that it ignores the fall in quantity demanded resulting from an increase in price. In the Paasche index calculation, the substitution effect resulting from changing prices results in a greater weight being placed on items whose prices have fallen. As a result, the Laspeyres calculation systematically overstates the index while the Paache calculation systematically understates the index.

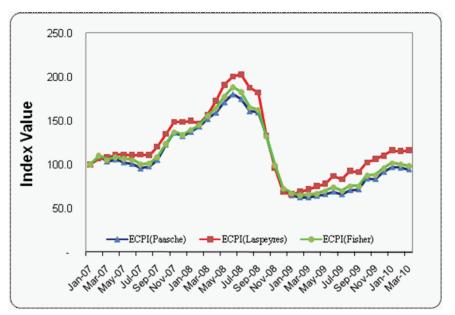


Figure 4 Trinidad and Tobago Energy Commodity Price Index (Jan 2007=100)

Source: Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago.

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# **APPENDIX III**

#### CALENDAR OF KEY ECONOMIC EVENTS JANUARY - JUNE 2010

#### JANUARY

- 4 RBTT explained that it will discontinue the practice of redeeming and accepting subscriptions for Roytrin US and TT dollar income fund units at a fixed Net Asset Value (NAV) of TT\$25 and US\$25 dollars. This change was made to align the purchase and sale of Roytrin income funds with international standards.
- 11 The Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago started issuing payments to holders of Trinidad Cooperative Bank Ltd share certificates from January 11th to February 26th.
- **16** The Old Age Pensions (Amendment) Regulations, 2010 was made by the Minister of Social Development under section 10 of the Senior Citizens' Grant Act, Chap. 32:02. Under this Act, regulation 1 and 13 were amended. (Legal Notice No. 20 of 2010).
- 18 Trinidad and Tobago and Guyana entered into a Fresh Agricultural Produce and Forest Products Trade Protocol on this date. The agreement outlined the terms and conditions under which commercial shipments of specific agricultural produce can be imported from Guyana. It is intended that this agreement will encourage fair trading practices, and provide a framework for pest risk management and food safety.
- 22 The Central Bank of Trinidad & Tobago decided to lower the "reporate" by 25 basis points to 5.00 per cent.
- **28** The Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago issued a TT\$600 million bond with a 6.50 per cent per annum fixed coupon rate due in

2025. The bonds were issued under the Development Loans Act, Chap. 71:04. The proceeds of this issue will finance government's recurrent expenditure.

**31** Caribbean Money Market Brokers, a subsidiary of First Citizens Group, announced that it would no longer offer mutual fund investments from this date.

#### FEBRUARY

23 World GTL Incorporated filed a lawsuit against Petroleum Company of Trinidad and Tobago (Petrotrin) in the US Federal Court in Manhattan, New York. World GLT seeks an award of TT\$12 billion dollars for their losses over the collapse of a joint venture project between themselves and Petrotrin. World GTL alleges that Petrotrin wrongfully took and expropriated the nearly completed TT\$3 billion gas to liquid refinery constructed inside the Petrotrin refinery at Pointe-a-Pierre. The plant was co-owned by World GLT (St. Lucia), a subsidiary of World GTL and Petrotrin, with World GTL owning 51 percent and Petrotrin owning 49 percent.

#### MARCH

- 2 The National Insurance Property Development Company Limited issued a TT\$500 million bond with a 6.25 per cent per annum fixed coupon rate due in 2028. The proceeds of this issue will finance the Programme for the Upgrade of Road Efficiency (P.U.R.E).
- **16** API Holdings Company Ltd. commenced the second phase of their programme to exploit new and existing oil reserves in the

Oropouche basin. This programme will cost \$20 million and will involve drilling eight new oil wells. They required a certificate of environmental clearance from the Environmental Management Agency to drill in the Oropouche Farmout Region.

- 17 The Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany, Dr. Ernst Martens and the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Paula Gopie-Scoon exchanged Instruments of Ratification for a treaty on this date. The treaty encourages and offers reciprocal protection of investments between Germany and Trinidad and Tobago.
- 25 Agriculture Minister Arnold Piggott distributed bonus payments worth \$1 million for the 2007/2008 crop year to more than 1,300 cocoa farmers. The criteria for payments were set by the Cocoa and Coffee board and included increases in the average international price, as well as increases in the production level of the cocoa delivered.
- **31** The Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago issued a TT\$794 million bond with a 5.95 per cent per annum fixed coupon rate due in 2023. The bonds were issued under the Development Loans Act, Chap. 71:04. The proceeds of this issue will finance government's budgetary expenditure.

#### APRIL

- 8 His Excellency Prof. George Maxwell Richard, issued a Proclamation dissolving the 9th Parliament of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago.
- **9** Mr. Carl Hiralal, Inspector of Financial Institutions (Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago) in his capacity as manager of the CLICO Investment Bank (CIB) brought a lawsuit against Andre Monteil, Richard Trotman and Sherlyn Monteil. The legal action seeks to recover in excess of \$100 million from Andre Monteil, as a

result of a 2007 loan transaction to his private investment firm, Stone Street Capital.

Caribbean Airlines (CAL) took over 30 Air Iamaica on this date. CAL will assume control of Air Jamaica's fleet, frequent flyer programme, regulatory authorisation, and code. The sale of Air Jamaica was part of the Jamaican Government's debt restructuring programme. The Jamaican Government will retain 16 per cent of the airline, while the Government of Trinidad and Tobago will hold 84 per cent. The Trinidad and Tobago Government approved US\$50 million in new equity to fund working capital in Air Jamaica. CAL will not assume Air Jamaica's legacy debts.

#### MAY

- 1 American Life and General Insurance Company Ltd (ALGICO) ceased the operation of its general portfolio on this date. This follows a March 8th agreement negotiated between American International Group (AIG) and MetLife for the sale of ALGICO. Its sale for US\$15.5 billion was part of a worldwide restructuring programme implemented by AIG to repay the US Government.
- 24 General Elections were held on this date.
- 26 A New administration was sworn in subsequent to the results of the May 24th General Elections.

#### JUNE

4 First Citizens Group became the first local commercial bank to grant customers access and control of their accounts by mobile phone.

The Trinidad and Tobago Stock Exchange launched its corporate bond market on this date. The market is intended to meet the growing demand for fixed income securities, while offering new investment opportunities for further portfolio diversification to investors.

**15** The Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago suspended the operations

of Motor and General Insurance Company Ltd for sixty days on this date. This order was pursuant to Section 68 of the Insurance Company Act Chap. 84:01.

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