

# Angola Weekly | 17/02

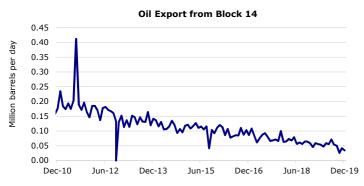
According to BNA, Net International Reserves (NIR) amounted to USD 11.3 billion (Bn) in January 2020, a yoy increase of USD 216 million (+1.9%). Compared to December 2019, NIRs decreased by USD 362 million (-3.1%); however, these remain above the prudential limit of 6 months of imports.

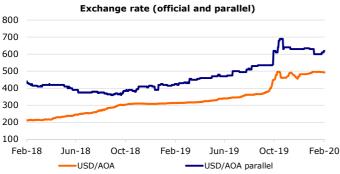
The Government auctioned domestic debt securities for the first time in 2020, with T-Bills placed at 91 and 364 days, in addition to Dollar Bonds at 2 and 3 years. In T-Bills, both maturities saw a yield of 15%, although only the shortest maturity resulted in a significant amount being allocated, AOA 4 billion. This yield saw an increase of 1.65pp compared to the last 3-month issue in April 2019. An auction of Treasury Bonds saw no demand for Kwanza Bonds (not currency linked), and a 10 million demand for Dollar Bonds, distributed equally between 2-year and 3-year maturities. The 2-year tenor came at a yield of 3.49%, while the 3-year came at 4.49%.

ANPG signed a deal with the shareholders of Block 14 (Eni, Total, Chevron and Galp), to redefine the development area of the block. This agreement allows, according to data published in the press, an additional investment of USD 600 million, and an additional production of 51 million barrels by 2028 - an average of 0.02 million barrels per day (mbd) during the period, according to our calculations. Block 14 exported an average of around 0.05mbd in 2019 - with exports temporarily lower at just above 0.03mbd in the final quarter of 2019. We expect exports to rise again to the level seen in the first 9 months of 2019, also boosted by small new investments, amounting to an anverage of 0.05/6mbd of exports in 2020. The foundation stone of Lifua-A, the first oil platform in Angolan territory, was laid. The platform will serve Block 0, operated by Chevron

In international markets, the beginning of last week was marked by an improvement in expectations in view of the evolution of COVID-19, which were reversed during the last days. Brent is now trading around USD 54.

In the foreign exchange market, the Kwanza appreciated again last week, around 0.36% against the Dollar, now trading at USD/AOA 493; the appreciation was 0.8% against the Euro. At the same time, the Angolan currency depreciated in the parallel market, and now trades at USD/AOA 620, according to Kinguila Hoje. The range between the two markets thus widened, to close to 26%.





## **Market Information**

Indicator	2019*	2020**	2021**
GDP change (%)	-0.6	0.9	1.8
Average Inflation (%)	17.5	19.9	14.6
Current Account (% GDP)	0.8	-0.5	-0.7

\*GDP - IMF forecast; Inflation - INE; Current Account - BNA with BFA calc. \*\* Average of forecasts from Bloomberg

### Sovereign Rating

Rating Agency	Rating	Outlook	Last change
Fitch	В	Negative	12/07/19
Moody's	В3	Stable	27/04/18
Standard & Poor's	B-	Negative	08/02/19

# Monetary and ForEx data\*

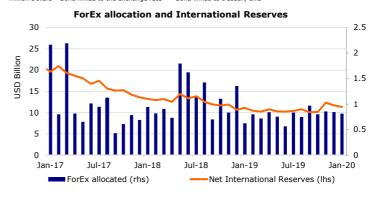
			Change	
	23/02/20	7 days (p.p./%)	YTD (p.p./%)	12 months (p.p./%)
LUIBOR O/N	20.19%	0.00	-8.63	4.44
USD/AOA	493.0	-0.36%	2.23%	57.16%
AOA/USD	0.00203	0.36%	-2.18%	-36.37%
EUR/AOA	532.3	-0.79%	-1.57%	49.72%
EUR/USD	1.080	-0.29%	-3.68%	-4.73%
USD/ZAR	15.09	1.23%	7.82%	7.63%

Change of USD/AOA (or EUR/AOA) shows the appreciation/depreciation of the USD (or EUR) against the Kwanza; the change of AOA/USD shows the appreciation/depreciation of the Kwanza against the USD

# Auctions of Treasury bonds and bills last week

Maturity	Rate	Supply	Demand	Allocated
BT (3 Months)	15.00%	10,000	6,000	4,000
BT (12 Months)	15.00%	10,000	29	29
USD OT (2 years)	3.49%	5	5	5
USD OT (3 years)	4.49%	5	5	5

BT are treasury bills, OT are treasury bonds; Note: amounts (except for the rate) are in million Kwanza. USD OT in million Dollars \* Bond linked to the exchange rate \*\* Bond linked to treasury bills





Sources: Bloomberg, BNA, INE, Finance Ministry, OPEC