

KASE WEEKLY

September 11-15
2023

KASE NEWS

- KASE [summarizes](#) the results of the exchange market for August 2023.
- KASE [conducts](#) a competition of annual reports.
- Bonds [KZ2D00009222](#) (EABRb42) of the Eurasian Development Bank and bonds [KZ2P00010002](#) (MFKTb4) of MFO Credit Time LLP are included in KASE official list.
- KASE excluded bonds [KZ2C00008696](#) (KFUSb39) of Kazakhstan Sustainability Fund JSC from the representative list of indicators of the KASE_BM* series due to maturity.
- From September 13, common shares [KZ1C00000629](#) (CAHO) of CHINATOWN removed from list of securities admitted to circulation on KASE in "Unlisted securities" sector.
- Trading in Bereke Bank JSC [bonds](#) of five issues opens at KASE.
- Bereke Bank [relinquishes](#) status as market maker on KASE for instruments CNYKZT_TOD, RUBKZT_TOD, USDKZT_TOM.

ISSUER NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The Ministry of Finance of Kazakhstan placed on KASE 155.7 mln MEKKAM-12 of issue 154 ([KZK100000290](#), MKM012_0154) and 22.0 mln MEUKAM-156 of seventh issue ([KZKD00001103](#), MUM156_0007).
- Kazakhstan Sustainability Fund JSC [raised](#) 5.8 bn tenge on KASE by placing bonds KZ2C00009447 (KFUSb52) with a yield to maturity of 14.91% per annum.
- Safe-Lombard LLP raised 849.6 mln tenge on KASE by placing bonds KZ2P00008097 (MFSLb1) with a yield to maturity of 21.00% per annum.
- National Company "KazMunayGas" [provides](#) H1 2023 operational update.
- National Company "KazMunayGas" [acquires](#) Private company "Karaton Operating Ltd.".
- ForteLeasing [says](#) Fitch Ratings upgraded the company's ratings; outlook "Stable".
- Freedom Finance [says](#) S&P Global Ratings affirmed the company's ratings and placed them on review list with possibility of downgrading.
- First Heartland Jusan Bank [announces](#) acquisition of 9 % of common shares of Kazakhtelecom.
- Kazakhtelecom JSC [reports](#) changes in the structure of the company's shareholders.
- Forpost LLP [announces](#) the planned purchase of the Chinasyl-sai deposit.
- BCC Invest [announces](#) payment of dividends to holders of units KZPF00000231 (BCClrb) of IUIT "CenterCredit – Razumny balance" for June–August 2023.



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Trends (%)

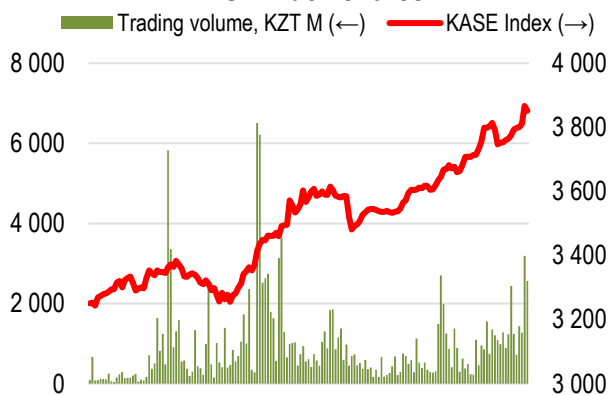
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First class of liquidity Price Δ 1M -2,7

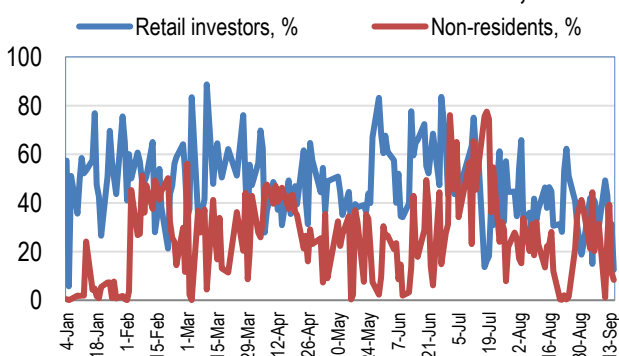
Company	Price	Δ 1M
AO "Народный банк Казахстана"	150,00	- 6,8
AO "Банк ЦентрКредит"	695,00	1,9
AO "Кселл"	1 992,00	2,1
AO "НК "КазМунайГаз"	11 950,00	9,6
Tesla, Inc.	263,00	6,9
AO "Казакхтелеком"	34 199,99	2,1
AO "KEGOC"	1 575,50	0,4
Freedom Holding Corp.	88,97	22,8
AO "НАК "Казатомпром"	15 330,00	21,8
AO "КазТрансОйл"	839,00	0,2
Bank of America Corporation	29,18	- 4,3
AT&T Inc.	15,10	5,2
Intel Corporation	38,32	8,1
AO "ForteBank"	3,65	- 2,1
Advanced Micro Devices, Inc.	106,00	- 5,1
PayPal Holdings Inc.	65,00	3,9
AO "БАСТ"	6 520,00	- 11,9
Apple Inc.	177,00	0,4
AO "Банк ЦентрКредит"	751,89	28,1
AO "KM GOLD"	119,10	- 1,2
Ford Motor Company	13,87	- 1,0
Pfizer Inc.	37,00	2,5

Note: Index stocks are highlighted in green

KASE Index shares



Retail investors & non-residents, %



The Kazakh stock market continued to reach historical highs last week. Following Friday's trading results, KASE Index reached 3,946 points on abnormally high volumes. The trading volume of index shares for the week exceeded 38 bn tenge.

The increased trading volume is largely due to the purchase of Kazakhtelecom common shares by Jusan Bank on September 11 as part of open trading for 32 bn tenge. As a result of trading, the bank became the owner of 8.1% of the total issued shares of the telecommunications operator. This is not the only change in the composition of Kazakhtelecom shareholders over the week. The State Property and Privatization Committee of the Ministry of Finance of Kazakhstan transferred 25.42% of the operator's shares to the ownership of Samruk-Kazyna holding. Thus, Samruk-Kazyna became the owner of 71.32% of the total issued shares of Kazakhtelecom. Representatives of Kazakhtelecom reported this and much more at the Issuer Day held on Thursday at KASE. According to the company's estimates, about another 150 bn tenge of investment will be required within a year to complete the construction of 5G networks. Taking into account the required capex, the board of directors will consider paying dividends on September 19. Against the background of a large number of corporate news, shares of Kazakhtelecom for the first time since February 2021 broke the mark of 34 thousand tenge per share and added 2.7% during the reporting week.

The leader of the week in terms of growth rates was the common shares of Kazatomprom with a result of 5.1% due to the continuing rise in uranium prices. Against the backdrop of renewed interest in nuclear energy, uranium futures prices reached a 12-year high, with an increase of 12% over the past month.

Common shares of KazMunayGas continue to reach historical highs. Their rate came close to 12 thousand tenge against the backdrop of high quotations for Brent oil, which reached their maximum value this year – \$94 per barrel.

There is also an increase in the price of Kaspi.kz common shares. After falling at the beginning of the month, they recovered in price by 2.5% and are again approaching local highs. The price of Halyk Bank's common stock fell again, while they fell in price by 0.4% over the week. Shares of Bank CenterCredit spent the week with virtually no dynamics.

KASE Global market, following the results of the past week, as well as on international markets in general, kept showing a sideways trend in anticipation of decisions on interest rates.

Last week, the ECB raised rates for the tenth time since the start of the tightening cycle, bringing it to 4.5%. The Fed rate meeting will take place this Tuesday. On the eve of the meeting, the final piece of data was released to the market – overall inflation at the end of August rose to 3.7% against market expectations of 3.6%, core inflation dropped to 4.3% – in accordance with market expectations, producer prices increased over the month by 0.7% against market expectations of 0.4%. A meeting of the Central Bank of the Russian Federation was also held. After an emergency rate increase from 8.5% to 12%, the Bank of Russia at its scheduled September meeting raised the rate by another 1% and worsened its forecasts for inflation and GDP for the current and next years.

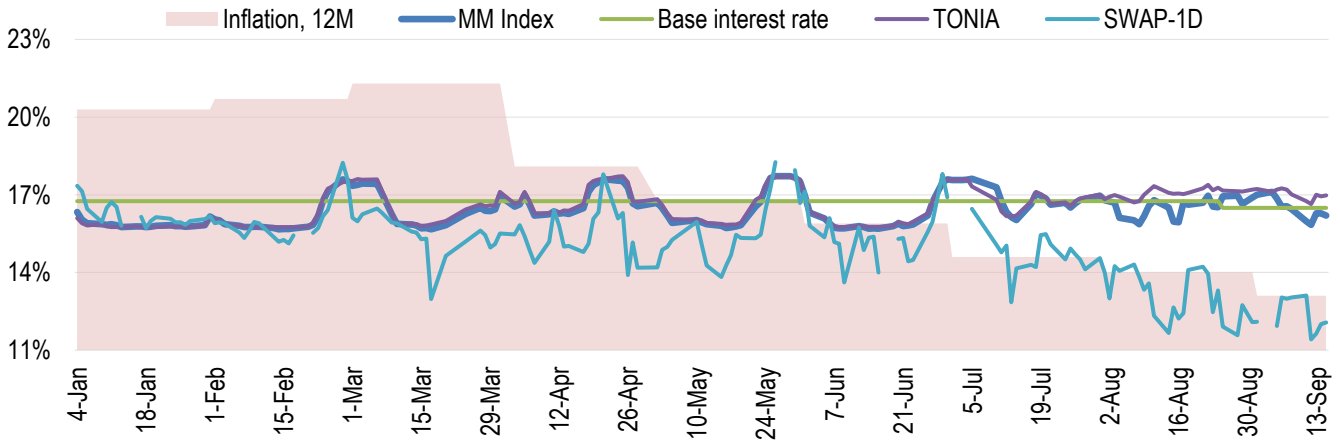
The leader on KASE Global list were Tesla shares, which increased in price by 11% over the week after updating the analysis of fair valuation by large investment companies. The URA Uranium Fund continues to grow in price, adding 8%. Optimism in the shares of many companies in the information sector was supported by a successful IPO of ARM. On the first day of trading, the company's share prices rose by 24.7% and by 6.9% in the post-market.

On KASE's debt market last week, 750 mln tenge was raised by Safe-Lombard LLP for a period of one year and two months at 14% per annum and 6 bn tenge was raised by Kazakhstan Sustainability Fund for a period of one year and nine months at 12.5% per annum.

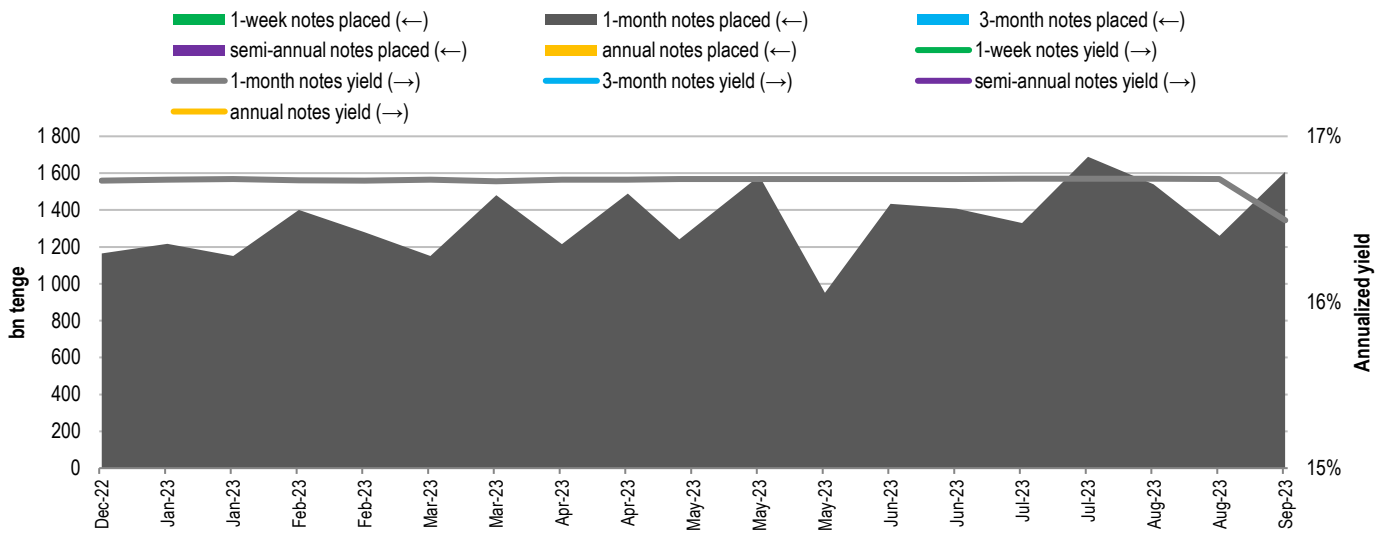
Microfinance organizations OnlineKazFinance and R-finance, FIVE BROKERS' CAPITAL, Kazakhstan Housing Company, KEGOC, Nurbank and Kazakhstan Sustainability Fund made coupon payments on previously placed issues. The yield on bonds for which coupon payments have been made reaches 25% per annum.

On KASE money market, the interest rate for the one-day repo TONIA decreased from 17.02% to 16.98% per annum, continuing to remain in the upper corridor of the base rate. The yield on one-day currency swap transactions in US dollars decreased over the period from 13.03% to 12.07% per annum, trading below the base rate corridor.

Inflation and interest rates

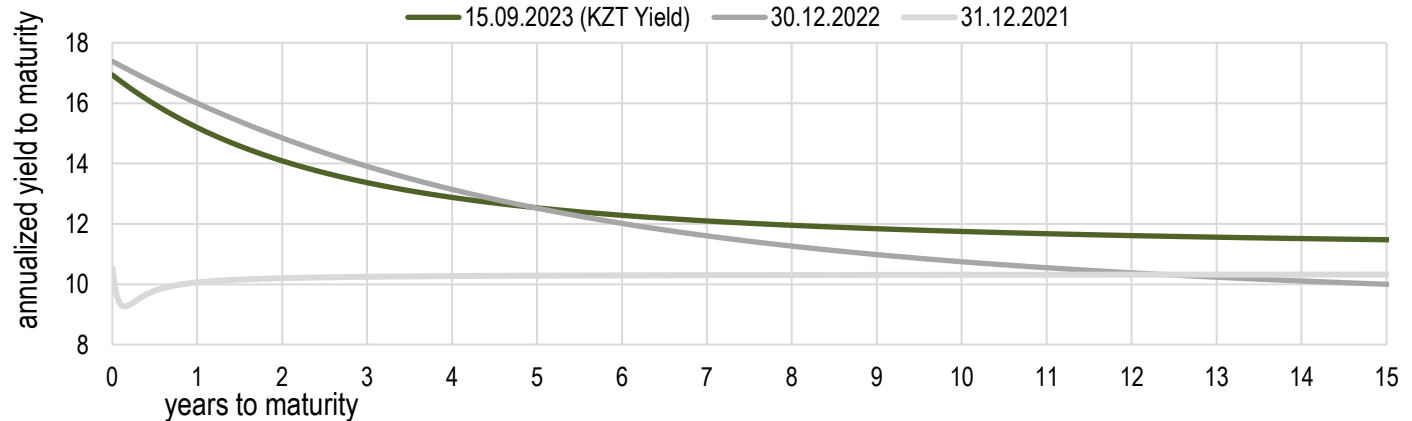


Main Features of National Bank Notes Placements



* weighted average yield on all currency swap transactions with the US dollar.

Risk-free yield curve (non-indexed GS)



At the end of August, the tenge's exchange rate against the dollar weakened by 3%. This trend was caused by a number of factors. On the one hand, there is the global strengthening of the US dollar, the weakening of the Russian ruble to local minimums against the backdrop of a continuing decline in the current account surplus of the balance of payments, as well as news about the suspension of the norm on the mandatory sale of foreign currency earnings by quasi-public sector entities. On the other hand, there are market expectations regarding the quarterly tax week and a positive background on the oil market.

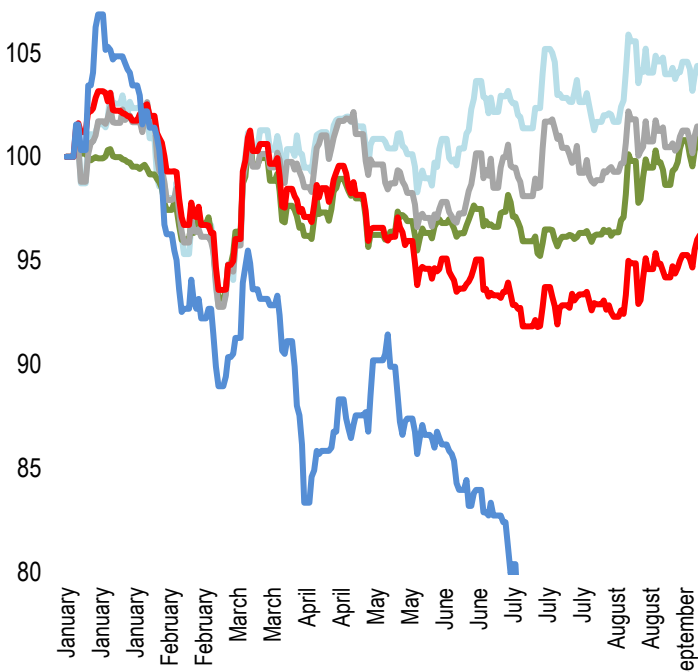
Despite the increase in volatility in the foreign exchange market in August, the National Bank did not interfere in the formation of the tenge exchange rate, that is, it did not intervene. Sales from the National Fund were carried out as planned and did not exceed forecast values. Thus, at the end of the month, sales to ensure transfer to the republican budget amounted to \$770 mln. Sales were carried out daily and evenly, with a volume of no more than \$35 mln per day.

Currency purchases as part of increasing the foreign exchange share of the UAPF and KDIF assets amounted to \$240 and 93mln, respectively.

FX rates

Δ %, base (01.01.23)

110



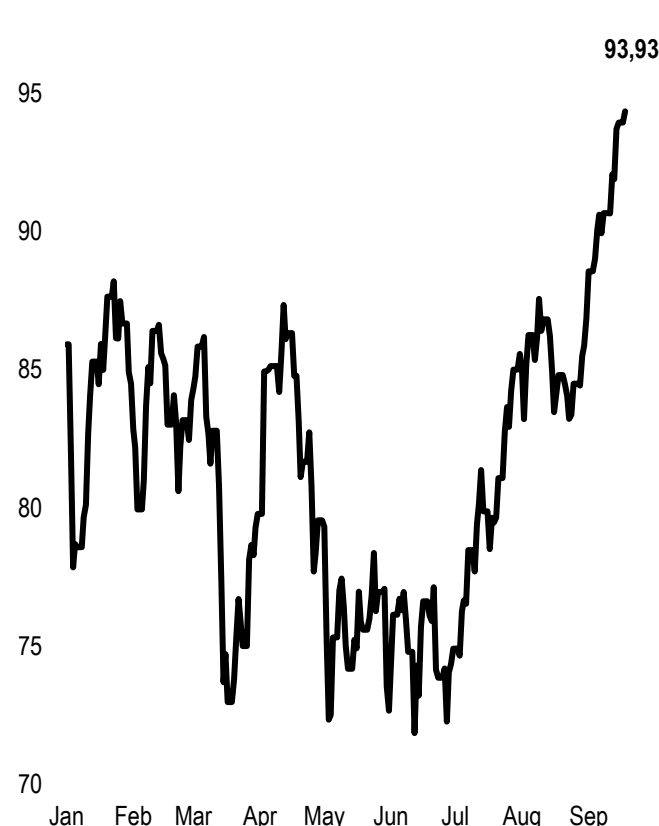
Price Δ 7d, % Δ 30d, % Δ 2023, %

— GBPKZT	580,84	-0,20	1,63	4,36
— USDKZT	467,29	0,21	3,79	0,76
— EURKZT	498,22	-0,17	1,77	1,46
— CNYKZT	64,21	1,01	3,87	-3,99
— RUBKZT	4,84	1,47	5,90	-24,57

Brent oil

USD/barrel

100



Note: The chart and the table are based on the official market rates of the NBK. NBK rates may differ from KASE rates.



Global indices

Name	Value	Trend %			Futures
		7D	1M	1Y	7D
S&P 500	4 450,32	-0,2	1,0	14,1	-0,3
Dow Jones	34 618,24	0,1	-0,4	11,8	0,0
RTS	1 029,15	1,7	1,4	-20,1	1,7
MICEX	2 285,53	0,0	0,0	0,0	1,7
Hang Seng	18 182,89	-0,1	-0,8	-3,9	0,2
SS CSI 300	3 708,78	-0,8	-2,9	-7,9	-0,3
Euro Stoxx 50	4 295,05	1,4	0,3	21,3	2,0
FTSEuroFirst	4 908,40	2,3	1,9	14,5	2,0
FTSE 100	7 711,38	3,1	4,8	5,9	4,1
KASE	3 936,54	1,1	5,1	24,5	

Commodities market

September 15, 2023

Name	Price	Trend %		
		7D	1M	1Y
Oil (Brent)	93,93	3,6	12,6	3,4
Oil (WTI)	90,77	3,7	14,3	6,7
Natural gas	2,64	1,5	2,0	-68,2
Copper	376,35	2,3	2,9	6,8
Iron	937,50	3,4	13,6	22,1
Gold	1 923,91	0,3	1,3	15,5
Silver	23,13	1,0	2,6	20,6
Wheat	604,25	6,5	1,1	-28,5

Calendar of economic events

Currency Forecast Previous

18.09	Consumer Price Index (CPI) (YoY) (Aug)	EUR	5.3%	5.3%
19.09	Consumer Price Index (CPI) (YoY) (Aug)	GBP	7.1%	6.8%
20.09	Fed interest rate decision	USD	5.5%	5.5%
21.09	Interest rate decision (Sep)	GBP	5.25%	5.5%
21.09	Number of initial applications for unemployment benefits	USD	225K	220K
21.09	Sales on the secondary housing market (Aug)	USD	4.10M	4.07M
22.09	Services Business Activity Index (PMI) (Sep)	USD	50.3	50.5

Note: the calendar contains the most significant economic events of the current week according to KASE analysts opinion

B – billions
M – millions
K – thousands

Kazakhstan statistics

Value As of Previous month

Annual inflation	13,1%	01.09.23	14,0%
Gross international reserves of NBK, USD bn	33,6	01.09.23	34,2
Reserve money, KZT bn	9 068,2	01.09.23	9 587,0
Money supply, KZT bn	34 486,8	01.09.23	34 215,8

Kazakhstan credit ratings

Rating Date Previous

S&P Global

BBB-/A-3 stable 03.03.23 BBB-/A-3 negative

MOODY'S

Baa2/stable 11.08.21 Baa3/positive

FitchRatings

BBB/stable 26.05.23 BBB/stable

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**Corporate Events Calendar of
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