KASE WEEKLY

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## **KASE NEWS**

- KASE joined the international trading platform Tabadul Hub.
- KASE <u>held</u> an award ceremony for the most distinguished members of the exchange, listed companies and the most active media outlets based on the results of 2024.
- KASE has summed up the results of the annual report competition for 2023.
- KASE <u>summed up</u> the results of the stock exchange market for January 2025.
- Bonds of Safe-Lombard LLP of <u>three issues</u> and international bonds XS3004202225 (EBRDe27) of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development are included in KASE official list.
- Due to the expiration of the circulation period, the following bonds have been excluded from KASE official list: <u>KZ2D00008356</u> (HCBNb8) of Home Credit Bank JSC, <u>KZ2P00010952</u> (MFBLb3) of Birinshi Lombard LLP, <u>KZ2D00010881</u> (EABRb47) of the Eurasian Development Bank and international bonds <u>US91282CDZ14</u> (US\_39\_2502) of the U.S. Department of the Treasury.
- Trading in bonds <u>KZ2P00013329</u> (MFMOb17) of MFO "Mogo Kazakhstan" LLP has opened on KASE.
- Trading in international bonds XS2655869530 (EBRDe19) of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development and XS2507222904 (ASDBe11) of the Asian Development Bank has resumed on KASE.
- As of February 18, First Heartland Jusan Invest assigned status of market maker on KASE for bonds KZ2D00012531 (BIGDb2) of Private company BI Development Ltd.
- Freedom Finance JSC has been assigned the status of a market maker for bonds <u>KZ2C00011906</u> (MFOKb21) of MFO OnlineKazFinance JSC.

## PLACEMENT RESULTS

- The Ministry of Finance of Kazakhstan placed 63.7 mln MEUKAM <u>KZKD00001079</u> (MUM216\_0002), 29.8 mln MEUKAM <u>KZKD00000790</u> (MUM180\_0011), 50.5 mln MEUKAM <u>KZKD00000618</u> (MUM180\_0007), 71.5 mln MEUKAM <u>KZKD00001194</u> (MUM180\_0016) and 51.5 mln MEUKAM <u>KZKD00001152</u> (MUM132\_0007).
- The Ministry of Finance of Kazakhstan raised 52.1 bn tenge by placing MEKKAM <u>KZK100000373</u> (MKM012\_0160).
- NC Food Contract Corporation JSC raised 16.1 bn tenge by placing bonds <u>KZ2C00010023</u> (PRKRb9).
- MFO OnlineKazFinance JSC raised 5.0 bn tenge through a subscription by placing three-year bonds KZ2C00013241 (MFOKb23).
- Kazakhstan Sustainability Fund JSC raised 6.2 bn tenge by placing bonds <u>KZ2C00012086</u> (KFUSb82) and <u>KZ2C00012383</u> (KFUSb90).

## **ISSUER NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Halyk Bank of Kazakhstan JSC provided information on transactions with its own securities within the framework of the program to buy back GDRs <u>US46627J3023</u>, <u>US46627J2033</u> (HSBKd).
- Air Astana JSC <u>announced</u> the completion of the first stage of the share and GDR buyback program.
- Microfinance organization Asian Credit Fund LLP provided a social report for 2024.
- Bereke Bank JSC has been renamed.

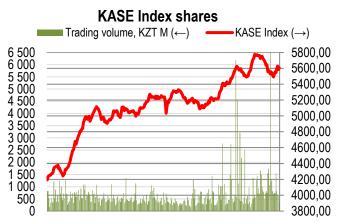
#### EQUITIES MARKET

#### MONEY MARKET

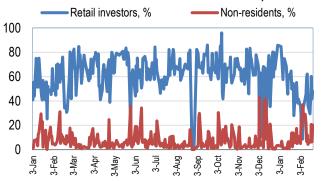
FX	MARKET

21.02.2025	Trends (%)		
KASE Index	5 608,46	0,9	-2,4
First class of liquidity	Price	Δ7D	Δ 1M
Intel Corporation	25,92	12,5	17,8
AO "БАСТ"	4 985,00	12,2	- 30,6
АО "Эйр Астана"	776,70	9,7	- 2,1
АО "Казахтелеком"	44 600,00	4,2	- 8,4
AO "ForteBank"	7,90	3,8	12,1
NVIDIA Corp.	138,50	1,8	- 1,3
AO "KM GOLD"	70,73	1,6	2,0
АО "Национальная компания "КазМунайГа	13 483,00	1,3	- 8,9
Occidental Petroleum Corp.	13 483,00	1,3	- 8,9
Advanced Micro Devices, Inc.	114,20	1,2	- 6,4
АО "Народный Банк Казахстана"	260,59	1,2	- 3,7
Apple Inc.	245,80	1,2	9,2
АО "Банк ЦентрКредит"	2 670,00	0,9	0,6
The Coca-Cola Company	70,00	0,6	10,1
Tesla, Inc.	357,33	0,4	- 15,1
АО "Кселл"	3 433,50	0,1	0,7
AO "KEGOC"	1 488,00	0,1	- 1,6
AO Kaspi.kz	53 918,00	- 0,6	4,2
АО "Национальная атомная компания "Ка	19 422,00	- 0,7	- 3,1
Ford Motor Company	9,60	- 1,0	- 7,7
Citigroup Inc.	81,70	- 1,9	0,7
Freedom Holding Corp.	156,85	- 2,0	20,5
АО "КазТрансОйл" Note: Index stocks are biabliabled in green	797,00	- 2,4	- 4,6

Note: Index stocks are highlighted in green



Retail investors & non-residents, %



The local stock market demonstrated positive dynamics. Last week, KASE Index grew by 1 % and closed at 5,608 points.

The biggest gainer was Air Astana, which jumped 10 %. As part of the first stage of the share buyback program, the national air carrier bought back \$8.2 mln worth of shares. That is, more than 4 mln shares were purchased: 3 mln and 343 thousand GDRs (representing 1.3 mln shares) in support of employee incentive programs. The first transfer of shares to employees took place on February 17, 2025.

As part of the program to buy back global depositary receipts, Halyk Bank bought back 85 thousand of its own securities from February 10 to 14, for a total of \$1.7 mln. GDRs were purchased at prices ranging from \$19.33 to \$20.00. The bank's shares rose by 1.2 % over the week.

At the same time, shares of other financial companies included in KASE Index demonstrated mixed dynamics: shares of Bank CenterCredit added 0.9 % to their market value, while shares of Kaspi.kz lost 0.6 %.

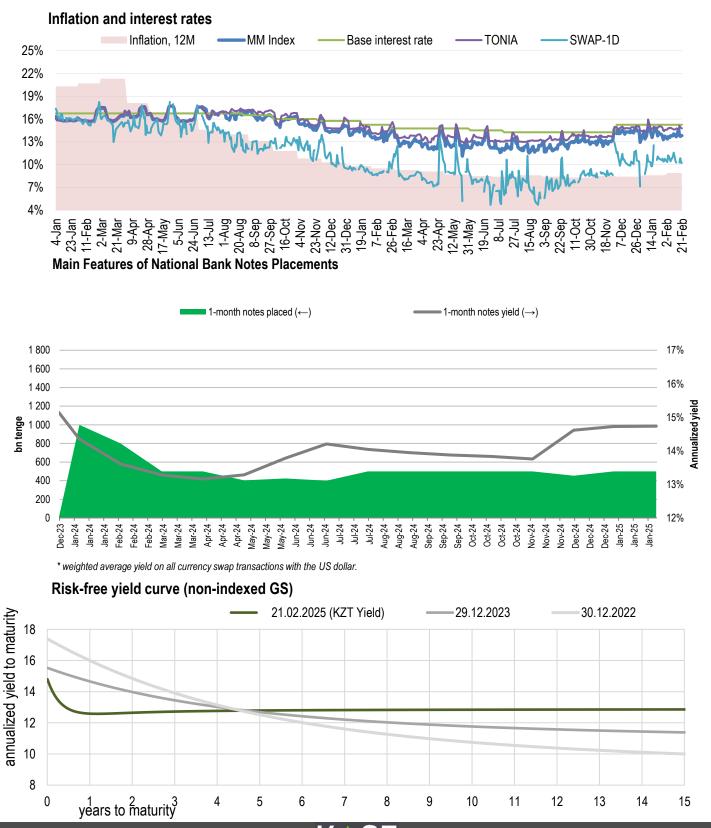
Shares of KASE Index's telecommunications sector demonstrated mixed dynamics: Kazakhtelecom shares rose to 44,596 tenge per share, while Kcell shares remained unchanged in price.

National company "KazMunaiGas" is exploring fields with unproven oil reserves of 800 mln tons. The company also announced a possible increase in KazMunaiGas's share in the Tengiz field. The company's shares gained 0.9 % on the news.

The opposite trend was demonstrated by KazTransOil shares, which fell by 2.4 % to 797 tenge per share.



On the money market, the interest rate of the one-day repo TONIA increased, and, by the end of the week, amounted to 14.76 % per annum. The yield of one-day currency swap operations in US dollars decreased to 10.22 % per annum over the week.



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#### MONEY MARKET

FX MARKET

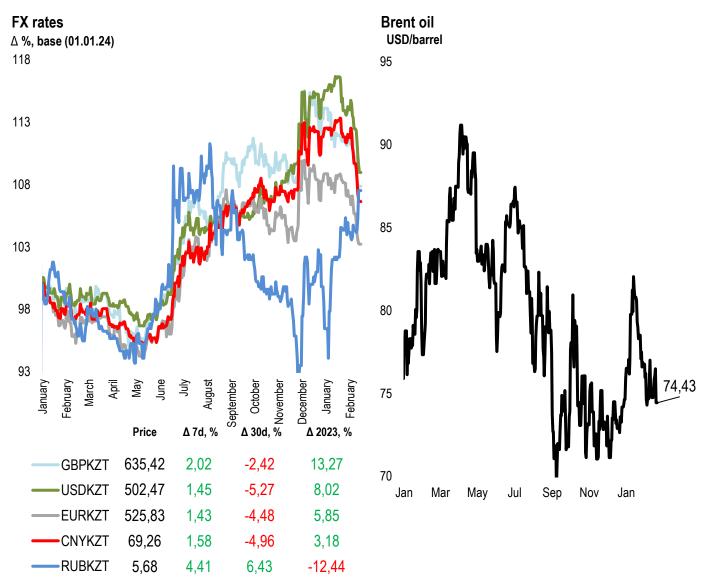
In January, the tenge strengthened by 1.3 % to 518.2 tenge per US dollar. The average daily trading volume on Kazakhstan Stock Exchange decreased from 254 to 227 mln US dollars over the month. The total trading volume amounted to 4.5 bn US dollars.

Currency sales from the National Fund in January amounted to 850 mln US dollars, which made it possible to allocate transfers to the republican budget, as well as finance the infrastructure project for the construction of the Taldykorgan-Usharal main gas pipeline. The share of sales from the National Fund amounted to 19 % of the total trading volume, or about 43 mln US dollars per day.

According to preliminary forecasts of the Government's applications for the allocation of transfers to the republican budget in February, the National Bank expects to sell currency from the National Fund in the amount of 550 to 650 mln US dollars.

In January, the National Bank did not purchase US dollars for the investment portfolio of pension assets. The purchase of currency in the ENPF is not planned for February.

In January, the National Bank decided to implement a mirroring mechanism, which implies the sale of US dollars on the domestic currency market, received as a result of the sale of gold previously purchased from domestic gold mining enterprises. As part of this decision, 244 bn tenge were sterilized in January. In February, the sale of currency equivalent to about 250 bn tenge is expected for these purposes.



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



	QUITIES ARKET	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	NEY RKE	NEY RKET FX M			IARKET		GLOBAL MARKETS		
Globa	al indices						Commodities ma	rket		Februa	ry 21, 2025
	Name Value Trend % Futures Name		Price	Trend %							
INdille	value –	7D	1M	1Y	7D	Name	Plice	7D	1M	1Y	
	S&P 500	6 013,13	-1,7	-1,2	20,7	-1,7	Oil (Brent)	74,43	-0,4	-5,8	-11,0
	Dow Jones	43 428,02	-2,5	-1,7	12,5	-2,6	Oil (WTI)	70,40	-0,5	-6,7	-10,4
	RTS	1 173,12	5,6	23,1	9,8		Natural gas	4,23	13,7	6,9	144,5
	MICEX	3 283,29	3,1	10,5	4,6		Copper	456,00	-2,2	6,0	17,0
	Hang Seng	23 477,92	3,8	18,7	42,3	3,5	Iron	843,50	2,9	5,4	-16,2
	SS CSI 300	3 978,44	1,0	4,8	15,1	1,1		,	· · · ·		
	Euro Stoxx 50	5 474,85	-0,3	5,2	14,6	-0,4	Gold	2 936,05	1,9	6,5	45,1
	FTSEuroFirst	6 007,50	-0,3	4,3	14,6	-0,3	Silver	33,01	0,5	5,1	44,9
*	FTSE 100	8 659,37	-0,8	1,3	13,0	-0,6	Wheat	590,00	-1,7	6,5	1,2
	KASE	5 608,46	0,9	-2,4	20,8	-,-					

Calendar	of economic events	Currency	Forecast	Previous
24.02	Consumer Price Index (CPI) (YoY) (Jan)	JPY	0,3%	0,4%
25.02	<u>Germany GDP (q/q) (Q4)</u>	USD		
25.02	CB Consumer Confidence Index (Feb)	GBP	2,8%	2,5%
27.02	<u>GDP (q/q) (Q4)</u>	USD		
28.02	Consumer Price Index (CPI) Germany (MoM) (Feb)	USD	51,2	51,2
28.02	Core PCE Price Index (YoY) (Jan)	USD	53,2	52,9
01.03	Manufacturing Purchasing Managers Index (PMI) (Feb)	CNY	50,0	49,1
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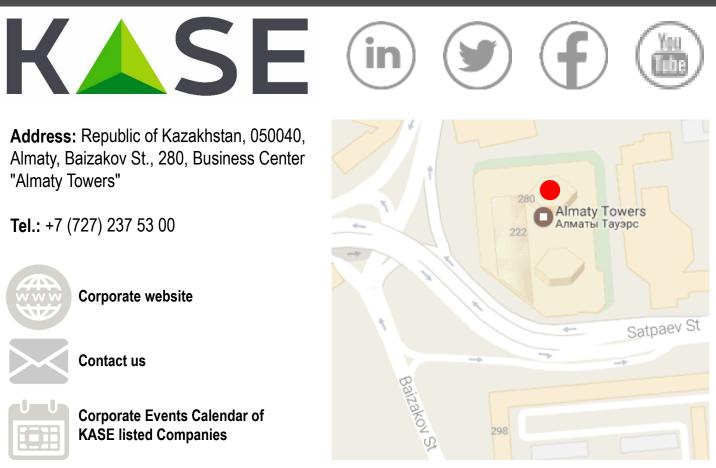
Note: the calendar contains the most significant economic events of the current week according to KASE analysts opinion M – millions K – thousands

Kazakhstan statistics	Value	As of	Previous month
Annual inflation	8,9%	01.02.25	8,6%
Gross international reserves of NBK, USD bn	47,2	01.02.25	45,8
Reserve money, KZT bn	14 012,2	01.02.25	14 606,5
Money supply, KZT bn	44 684,1	01.02.25	45 660,0
Kazakhstan credit ratings	Rating	Date	Previous
S&P Global	BBB-/A-3 stable	21.02.25	BBB-/A-3 negative
Moody's	Baa1/stable	09.09.24	Baa2/positive
<b>Fitch</b> Ratings	BBB/stable	17.05.24	BBB/stable

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