

WORLD OFFICIAL GOLD HOLDINGS

International Financial Statistics, February 2013*

Other	Tonnes	% of reserves**
World	31,597.6	1)
Euro Area (incl. ECB)	10,783.3	63.4%
CBGA 3 signatories ⁵⁾	11,949.1	42.9%

NOTES

* This table was updated in **February 2013** and reports data available at that time. Data are taken from the International Monetary Fund's International Financial Statistics (IFS), **February 2013** edition, and other sources where applicable. IFS data are two months in arrears, so holdings are as of **December 2012** for most countries, **November 2012** or earlier for late reporters. The table does not list all gold holders: countries which have not reported their gold holdings to the IMF in the last six months are not included, while other countries are known to hold gold but they do not report their holdings publicly. Where the WGC knows of movements that are not reported to the IMF or misprints, changes have been made.

The percentage share held in gold of total foreign reserves, as calculated by the World Gold Council. The value of gold holdings is calculated using the end of month London pm fix gold price published daily by the LBMA. In **December the end of month gold price was **\$1657.5**.

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1. BIS and IMF balance sheets do not allow this percentage to be calculated. In the case of any countries, up to date data for other reserves are not available.

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investment assets excluding any gold held in connection with swap operations, under which the Bank exchanges currencies for physical gold. The bank has an obligation to return the gold at the end of the contract.

3. West African Economic Monetary Union including the central bank.

4. Includes both "Monetary gold" and "Other gold" as reported by the central bank.

5. Signatories to the third Central Bank Gold Agreement which commenced in September 2009. The signatories include: ECB, Austria, Belgium, Cyprus, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Portugal, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland. Estonia became a signatory upon joining the Euro in January 2011.

reserve requirements from commercial banks. Please see this link for information on this policy action <http://www.tcmb.gov.tr/yeni/announce/2011/ANO2011-50.htm>

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