



CENTRALE BANK VAN ARUBA

The Centrale Bank van Aruba maintained the reserve requirement for commercial banks at 12.5% effective July 1, 2025

Press Release

Effective July 1, 2025, the Centrale Bank van Aruba (CBA) upheld the reserve requirement rate for commercial banks at 12.5%. This monetary policy decision maintains the minimum balance that local commercial banks must hold at the CBA.

Key highlights:

1. Global economic uncertainty
Current global uncertainties may impact foreign exchange reserves and inflation, potentially causing deviations from baseline projections.
2. Adequate foreign reserves despite credit growth
Up to April 2025, foreign reserves were amply above the benchmarks monitored by the CBA, even amid increased credit activity (+0.8%). Moreover, foreign reserves are expected to remain adequate and continue to grow.
3. A low inflation environment
In April 2025, the end-of-period (EOP) and period average inflation prevailed at low levels of 0.4% and 1.3%, respectively.
4. Elevated excess liquidity
Excess liquidity of the local commercial banks stays elevated despite decreasing in May 2025.

The CBA monitors monetary and economic indicators closely and adjusts its monetary policy stance as needed to maintain the fixed exchange rate between the florin and the U.S. dollar.

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