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Important monetary policy data for the week ending 26 May 2006

Assets and liabilities of the SNB of relevance for monetary policy

Assets (in CHF millions)	26 May 2006	Changes from previous week
Claims from main financing and fine-tuning transactions	22'004.0	+4'002.0
Claims from the liquidity-shortage financing facility	0.0	0.0
Liabilities (in CHF millions)		
Banknotes in circulation	37'794.0	+583.2
Sight deposit accounts of domestic banks	7'385.3	+3'396.3
Liabilities from liquidity-absorbing transactions	0.0	0.0

Reference interest rates SNB

Date	Target range for three-month Libor	Three-month Libor	Special rate liquidity-shortage facility ¹
22.05.06	0.75% - 1.75%	1.41167%	3.03%
23.05.06	0.75% - 1.75%	1.41667%	3.12%
24.05.06	0.75% - 1.75%	1.41000%	3.08%
25.05.06	0.75% - 1.75%	1.41000%	-
26.05.06	0.75% - 1.75%	1.41917%	3.05%

¹ Repo Overnight Index (SNB) from previous day + 2%

Minimum reserves: sight deposits of domestic banks averaged over the reporting period (in CHF millions) ²

Previous reporting period		Current reporting period	
Average until	Sight deposits	Average until	Sight deposits

21.04.06	3'787	26.05.06	6'651
28.04.06	4'540		
05.05.06	5'199		
12.05.06	5'569		
19.05.06	5'303		
Final figure Period	5'303		

² The period lasts from the 20th of a month until the 19th of the following month

Minimum reserves: compliance during the last 12 periods (in CHF millions)

Period	Requirement	Eligible assets ³	Notes Coins	Sight deposits	Compliance in percent	Interest rate ⁴
20.04.05 - 19.05.05	7'627	9'548	4'599	4'949	125	3.74%
20.05.05 - 19.06.05	7'666	9'158	4'569	4'589	119	3.73%
20.06.05 - 19.07.05	7'692	9'206	4'676	4'530	120	3.73%
20.07.05 - 19.08.05	7'648	9'122	4'632	4'490	119	3.74%
20.08.05 - 19.09.05	7'652	9'084	4'629	4'455	119	3.73%
20.09.05 - 19.10.05	7'657	9'385	4'518	4'867	123	3.74%
20.10.05 - 19.11.05	7'763	9'201	4'517	4'683	119	3.75%
20.11.05 - 19.12.05	7'830	10'123	4'640	5'484	129	3.90%
20.12.05 - 19.01.06	7'960	9'995	5'036	4'959	126	3.90%
20.01.06 - 19.02.06	8'032	9'451	4'839	4'612	118	3.91%
20.02.06 - 19.03.06	8'055	10'042	4'884	5'157	125	4.03%
20.03.06 - 19.04.06	8'155	9'795	4'937	4'859	120	4.16%

³ Sum of notes/coins and sight deposits

⁴ Interest obligation in the event of non-fulfilment of the minimum reserve requirements

Repo Overnight Index (SNB)

Date	Reference rate (weighted) ⁵	Daily high	Daily low	Trading volume in CHF millions	Number of transactions
22.05.06	1.12%	1.25%	1.00%	3'337	57
23.05.06	1.08%	1.15%	0.90%	3'019	53
24.05.06	1.05%	1.16%	1.00%	4'469	71
25.05.06	-	-	-	-	-
26.05.06	1.08%	1.16%	0.80%	6'836	95

⁵ Definition cf. www.snb.ch (News, Important monetary policy data)

Daily results of monetary policy transactions (in CHF millions)

Transaction	SNB ⁶	Contract	from	until	Type	Price ⁷	Bids	Allocation
22.05.06	CP	1W	24.05.06	31.05.06	R-auction	1.13%	24'892	5'000
22.05.06	CP	ON	22.05.06	23.05.06	R-auction	1.13%	3'502	3'502

23.05.06	CP	1W	26.05.06	02.06.06	R-auction	1.13%	15'843	5'001
24.05.06	CP	2W	29.05.06	12.06.06	R-auction	1.13%	10'078	4'001
25.05.06	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
26.05.06	CP	1W	30.05.06	06.06.06	R-auction	1.13%	9'588	4'001

⁶ CP = cash provider CHF; CT = cash taker CHF

⁷ for bilateral transactions: average rate; for swaps: premium or discount (Pips)