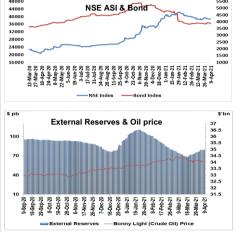


# Access Bank Rateswatch

## **Current Figures** Comments GDP Growth (%) Q4 2020 — higher by 3.73% compared to -3.62% in Q3 2020 0.11 Broad Money Supply (N' trillion) 38.74 Decreased by 0.1% in February' 2021 from N38.78 trillion in January' 2021 Credit to Private Sector (N' trillion) 30.72 Increased by 0.4% in February' 2021 from N30.61 trillion in January' 2021 Currency in Circulation (N' trillion) 2.78 Decreased by 1.8% in February' 2021 from N2.83 trillion in January' 2021 Inflation rate (%) (y-o-y) 17.33 Increased to 17.33% in February 2021 from 16.47% in January 2021 Monetary Policy Rate (%) 11.5 Adjusted to 11.5% in September 2020 from 12.5% Interest Rate (Asymmetrical Corridor) 11.5 (+1/-7) Lending rate changed to 12.5% & Deposit rate 4.5% External Reserves (US\$ million) April 7, 2021 figure — an increase of 0.38% from April start 34.98 Oil Price (US\$/Barrel) 60.65 April 7, 2021 figure— a decrease of 4.34% from the prior week Oil Production mbpd (OPEC) 1.49 February 2021, figure — a decrease of 12.04% from January 2021 figure



NSE ASI & Bond

Indicators	Last Week	2 Wed		Change (%)
	9/4/2	•	1/4/21	` '
NSE ASI	38,866.3	9 38	3,916.74	(0.13)
Market Cap(N'tr)	20.3	4	20.36	(0.13)
Volume (bn)	0.1	6	0.24	(32.90)
Value (N'bn)	1.2	8	2.32	(44.70)

NIBOR			
Tenor	Last Week Rate (%)	2 Weeks Ago Rate (%)	Change (Basis Point)
	9/4/21	1/4/21	,
ОВВ	12.25	30.00	(1775
O/N	12.50	32.50	(2000
CALL	13.73	11.67	207
30 Days	5.44	5.44	(
90 Days	6.93	6.94	(1

Market	Last Week	2 Weeks	1 Month Ago
	Rate (N/\$)		N/Rate (N/\$)
		\$)	
	9/4/21	1/4/21	9/3/21
Official (N)	379.00	379.00	379.00
Inter-Bank (N)	407.96	408.79	410.17
BDC (N)	0.00	0.00	0.00
Parallel (N)	485.00	485.00	484.00

AVERAGE		0.14/	A 01	
Tenor	Last Week Rate (%)	Rate (%)	AgoChanç Basis)	ge s Point)
	9/4/2	1 1/-	4/21	
5-Year	2.84	4	3.17	(33)
7-Year	9.02	2	8.92	10
10-Year	8.5	7	8.24	33
15-Year	12.3	2 1	1.55	77
20-Year	11.74	4 1	1.11	63
25-Year	13.1	1 1	1.95	116
30-Year	12.4	6 1 <sup>-</sup>	1.83	63

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# FX Market N/US\$ 495 475 455 435 2019 2020

	Indicators	9/4/21	1-week Change (%)	YTD Change (%
	Energy			
	Crude Oil \$/bbl)	60.65	(4.34)	(5.91
	Natural Gas (\$/MMBtu)	2.54	(1.93)	(16.88
	Agriculture			
	Cocoa (\$/MT)	2388.00	(0.95)	23.35
	Coffee (\$/lb.)	127.60	3.61	(2.00
	Cotton (\$/lb.)	81.71	0.57	5.43
i	Sugar (\$/lb.)	15.50	4.87	1.11
	Wheat (\$/bu.)	644.00	4.89	48.56
	Metals			
	Gold (\$/t oz.)	1744.92	1.67	32.44
	Silver (\$/t oz.)	25.26	3.44	46.95
)	Copper (\$/lb.)	404.80	1.80	23.49
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Tenor	Last Week Rate (%)	2 Weeks Ago Rate (%)	Change (Basis Point)
	9/4/21	1/4/21	
1 Mnth	1.82	1.93	(12)
3 Mnths	2.21	2.21	0
6 Mnths	3.78	3.69	9
9 Mnths	5.72	4.84	89
12 Mnths	7.00	6.01	99

Indicators	Last Week	2 Weeks Ago	Change (Basis Point)
Indicators	9/4/21	1/4/21	
Index	3,834.23	3920.04	(2.19
Mkt Cap Gross (N'tr)	12.57	12.85	(2.19
Mkt Cap Net (N'tr)	8.62	8.92	(3.41
YTD return (%)	56.09	59.58	(3.49
YTD return (%)(US \$)	-36.30	-32.80	(3.50
TREASURY BILLS F	MA AUCTIO	ON	
	Amount (N million)	l' Rate (%)	Date
91 Day	2,878.85	2	31-Mar-2021
182 Day	3,240.39	3.5	31-Mar-2021
364 Day	138,711.88	8	31-Mar-2021

# Market Analysis and Outlook: April 9 – April 16, 2021

According to the International Monetary Fund (IMF), in 90-day Nigerian Interbank Offered Rate (NIBOR) its April 2021 World Economic Outlook, global growth settled at 5.44% and 6.93% from 5.44% and 6.94% is projected at 6% in 2021, moderating to 4.4% in the prior week. This week, we anticipate that rates will 2022. The projections for 2021 and 2022 are stronger rise as liquidity is drained by retail Secondary Market than in the October 2020 WEO. The upward revision Intervention Sales (rSMIS).

reflects additional fiscal support in a few large

economies, the anticipated vaccine-powered Foreign Exchange Market

recovery in the second half of 2021 and continued The local unit was stable against the dollar across all adaptation of economic activity to subdued mobility. market segments last week. The parallel market and High uncertainty surrounds this outlook, related to the CBN official window were unchanged at N485/US\$ path of the pandemic, the effectiveness of policy and N379/US\$ from preceding week figures. The support to provide a bridge to vaccine-powered Nigerian Autonomous Foreign Exchange (NAFEX) normalization and the evolution of financial rate gained 83 kobo to close at N407.96/US\$ from conditions. In a separate development, the trade N408.79/US\$. We expect the naira to trend around deficit in the US broadened for the second month to current levels as the central bank intervenes in the FX \$71.1 billion in February 2021 from a revised \$67.8 market through provision of funds for SMEs and billion in the previous month, according to the Bureau invisible transactions.

of Economic Analysis (BEA)). It is the biggest trade

deficit on record as imports fell less than exports. The **Bond Market** 

goods deficit widened by \$2.8 billion to \$88 billion, and The bond market ended on a bearish note in reaction the services surplus contracted by \$0.5 billion to \$16.9 to the second quarter auction calendar released last billion. Exports went down 2.6% to \$187.3 billion, week. The Debt Market Organization (DMO) is set to mainly due to other industrial machinery, civilian borrow a total of N450billion across the 10, 15 & 25aircraft, semiconductors, foods and beverages, autos year maturities. This information release spurred and travel services. Imports fell at a slower 0.7% to some bearish sentiments during trading week with \$258.3 billion, due to passenger cars and offers on the 2034, 2035 & 2045 securities. Rates pharmaceutical preparations. The goods deficit traded above the 13% handle on the 2045 bond as widened with China and Canada but narrowed with some local players took advantage. Yields on the 7-, 10-, 15-, 20-, 25, and 30-year debt papers finished at Mexico.

## **Domestic Economy**

The Nigeria's capital market regulator, Securities from 8.92%%, 8.24%, 11.55%, 11.11%, 11.95%, and Exchange Commission (SEC) in a recent circular 11.83%, respectively. The Access Bank Government warned unregistered investment-tech platforms to Bond index declined by 85.81 points to settle at desist from offering foreign securities to Nigerians. 3,834.23 points last week. We expect mixed The Commission categorically stated that by the sentiments this week as local investors continue to provisions of Sections 67-70 of the Investments and take advantage of the high yields. Securities Act (ISA), 2007 and Rules 414 & 415 of the

SEC Rules and Regulations, only foreign securities Commodities

listed on any Exchange registered in Nigeria may be Crude oil prices plunged last week following issued, sold or offered for sale or subscription to the oversupply concerns and fears that extended Nigerian public. The Commission encouraged the restrictive measures in Europe, slow vaccine rollouts investing public to seek clarification as may be and rising COVID-19 cases into pconsumers India and required via its established channels of Brazil could further hit the recovery in fuel demand.  $communication \ on \ investment \ products \ advertised \ Bonny light, Nigeria's benchmark crude dipped 2.75\%$ through conventional or online mediums.

The bears remained firmly in control of the Nigerian year highs. The Federal Reserve reiterated Stock market as investors preference for returns expectations it would not taper anytime soon and available in the local debt market persisted. The that interest rates would remain low for some time, downtrend was seen in the financial services, real despite a stronger economic outlook, Consequently,  $estate, transport\ services\ and\ the\ consumer\ goods\ goldprices rose 1.67\% or \$28.71 to finish at \$1,744.92$ sector. Consequently, the All-Share Index (ASI) and per ounce from \$1,716.21 per ounce. Silver settled at market capitalization closed at 38,866.39 points and \$25.26 per ounce, a 3.44% jump from previous week. N20.34 trillion from 38,916.74 points and N20.36 This week, oil prices might remain pressured amidst trillion, respectively the preceding week. This week, fears of supply tightness in oil markets and lingering we expect the market to continue to trade in negative concerns about the pace of recovery in fuel demand. territory as there are few incentives to tempt investors Robust economic data from China and the United to bet on volatile returns from equities compared with States and an accelerating vaccination rollout might the less risky government fixed-income market. raise hopes for a faster economic recovery, thereby capping bullions appeals to investors.

## **Money Market**

liquidity was boosted by the Open Market Operations (OMO) T-bill maturity inflows of N34 billion. Short dated placements such as the Open Buy Back (OBB and Over Night (O/N) rates tapered to 12.25% and 12.5% from 30% and 32.5% the previous week. The slightly longer dated instruments such as 30-day and

# Cost of borrowing declined last week as systemic Monthly Macro Economic Forecast

9.02%, 8.57%, 12.32%, 11.74%, 13.11%, and 12.46%

to close at \$60.65 per barrel. Precious metal prices

climbed up amid a weaker dollar in tandem with US Treasury yields, which retreated from more than one-

Variables	Apr'21	May'21	Jun'21
Exchange Rate	408	408	410
d Inflation Rate (%)	400	400	410
d Inflation Rate (%)	18.29	18.9	19.5
e Crude Oil Price			
(US\$/Barrel)	66	67	69

Sources: CBN, Financial Market Dealers Quotation, NSE, NBS, Energy Information Agency, Oilprice, Bloomberg and Access Bank Economic Intelligence Group computation

\* Crude oil (Bonny Light) is as at the previous day.

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