

KASE WEEKLY

April 5–9, 2021

KASE NEWS

- ▲ Zh. Sarzhakov was [elected](#) as a Deputy Chairman of KASE's Management Board.
- ▲ [NOTICE](#): on holding the annual general meeting of shareholders of Kazakhstan Stock Exchange JSC on May 31, 2021, decisions of which are made through absentee voting.
- ▲ [ANNOUNCEMENT](#): On April 16, KASE will hold an online meeting with the management of Kazakhtelecom JSC as part of the Issuer Day project.
- ▲ KASE's Management Board has [determined](#) the weighted average rates of yield for the second quarter of 2021 to calculate the fair value of illiquid debt securities of organizations – residents of the Republic of Kazakhstan.
- ▲ Trades in bonds [KZ2P00007297](#) (MFAFb1) of Microfinance Organization aFinance LLP and [KZ2C00007086](#) (KZIKb32) of Kazakhstan Housing Company JSC were opened on KASE.
- ▲ Halyk Finance JSC has been [assigned](#) the status of a market-maker on KASE for shares KZPF00000041 (HFINHv) of IPIF "Halyk-Currency".
- ▲ Bonds KZ2P00004229 (AGFNb1) of AgroFinance LLP were [excluded](#) from KASE official list due to the expiration of the circulation period.
- ▲ Bonds [KZ2C00007409](#) (KZIKb34) of Kazakhstan Housing Company JSC and [KZ2C00007417](#) (BRKZb22) of Development Bank of Kazakhstan JSC have passed the listing procedure on KASE under the category "bonds" of the main market.

ISSUER NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ▲ The Ministry of Finance of Kazakhstan raised KZT18.4 bn on KASE by placing MEUKAM-120 of issue 17 ([KZKD00000899](#), MUM120_0017), MEUKAM-180 of issue 12 ([KZKD00000840](#), MUM180_0012) and MEUKAM-120 of issue 17 ([KZKD00000899](#), MUM120_0017).
- ▲ TechnoLeasing LLP [raised](#) KZT839.0 mln on KASE by placing four-year bonds KZ2P00007354 (THLZb3) with a yield to maturity of 17.00 % per annum.
- ▲ KEGOC [provided](#) management comments on its 2020 financial results.
- ▲ Transnational Company Kazchrome JSC [reported](#) the results of production activities for 2020 and the second half of 2020.
- ▲ Centras Securities JSC [announced](#) the payment of dividends on ordinary shares for 2019-2020 and an increase in the authorized capital by KZT806.0 mln.
- ▲ ForteBank JSC [paid](#) dividends on common shares KZ000A0F4546 (ASBN) for 2020.
- ▲ ACRA has [affirmed](#) the ratings of National Company Food Contract Corporation JSC.
- ▲ S&P Global Ratings has [affirmed](#) the ratings of ATFBank JSC, the outlook is "Positive".



09.04.2021		Trends (%)	
KASE Index	3 260,79	3,7	10,1
First class of liquidity	Price	Δ 7d	Δ 1m
NAC Kazatomprom	12 775,8	17,0	33,1
VTB Bank	0,3	4,2	13,6
Kcell	2 446,0	2,8	1,1
Bank of America Corporation	17 268,0	1,6	9,6
KAZ Minerals	4 990,0	0,5	8,0
Freedom Holding Corp.	24 206,0	0,4	13,6
Halyk Savings Bank of Kazakhstan	153,0	0,2	13,0
Kazakhtelecom	27 319,0	0,1	0,4
Bank CenterCredit	235,0	0,0	8,8
Kazakhtelecom, preferred shares	13 300,0	0,0	0,1
KEGOC	1 690,0	-0,1	1,3
Aeroflot	432,0	-0,5	1,2
KazTransOil	1 111,0	-0,7	8,6
Gazprom	1 270,0	-1,1	-1,9
Sberbank Russia	1 600,3	-1,9	0,4

KASE index grew by 3.7% – to 3,260.79 points. The largest number of deals among index shares was made with common shares of Halyk Bank – 1,761 deals (38.6% of the total share). The largest trading volume fell on Kcell securities – KZT648.4 mln (41.0% of the total share).

The value of the local indicator of the stock market has once again renewed its historical maximum, the main driver of which were common shares of Kazatomprom, which jumped by 17.0% over the week – to KZT12,775.79 per share.

The growth was happening against the background of the positive dynamics of uranium futures at NYMEX, which traded above \$31 a pound for the first time since August 2020 following the news about President Joe Biden's plans to build a clean energy infrastructure that reinforces the global trend towards energy and low-carbon solutions. At the same time, uranium reserves are beginning to decline, which creates a shortage on the uranium products market.

Meanwhile, on the London Stock Exchange (LSE), GDRs of Kazatomprom on Friday at the close of trades on KASE were traded at a price of \$27.50, which is equivalent to KZT11,905.85 per share.

Meanwhile, the uranium ETF URA reached a peak since June 2015. The Global X Uranium ETF invests in international companies involved in uranium mining (including Kazatomprom securities), as well as in the production of nuclear-active components. The fund was launched in November 2010 and is valued at \$502 mln.

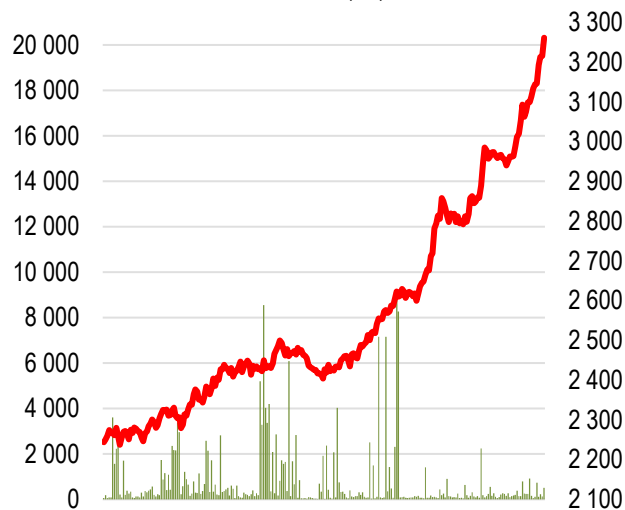
The second-best result among the shares of the index basket was shown by the securities of Kcell (2.8%), which continue to move in a positive trend after the publication of news about the increase in the company's credit limit by VTB Bank (Kazakhstan).

Meanwhile, KEGOC has published an auditor's report on the consolidated financial statements for 2020, according to which the company's net income increased by 31% compared to 2019. Equity securities of KEGOC fell by 0.5% over the week.

Note: Index stocks are highlighted in green

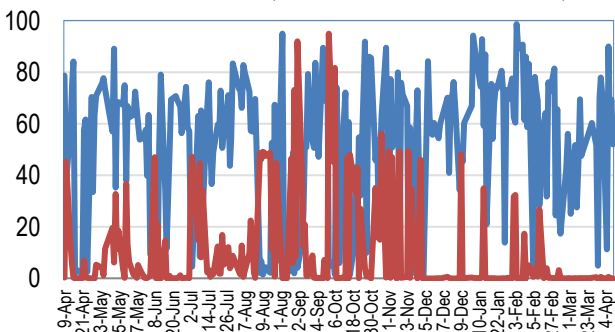
KASE Index shares

█ Trading volume, KZT M (←)
 █ KASE Index (→)



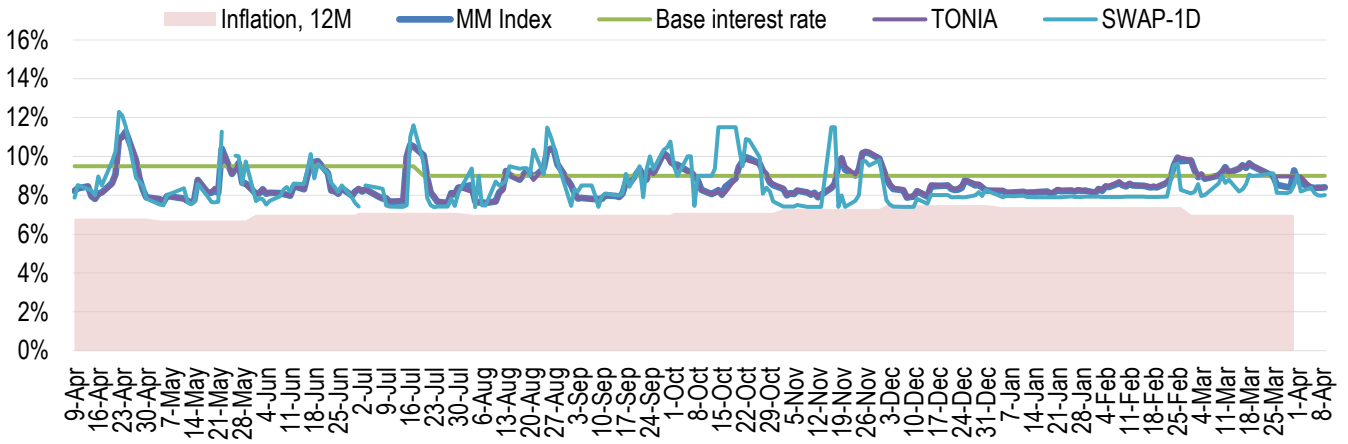
Retail investors & non-residents, %

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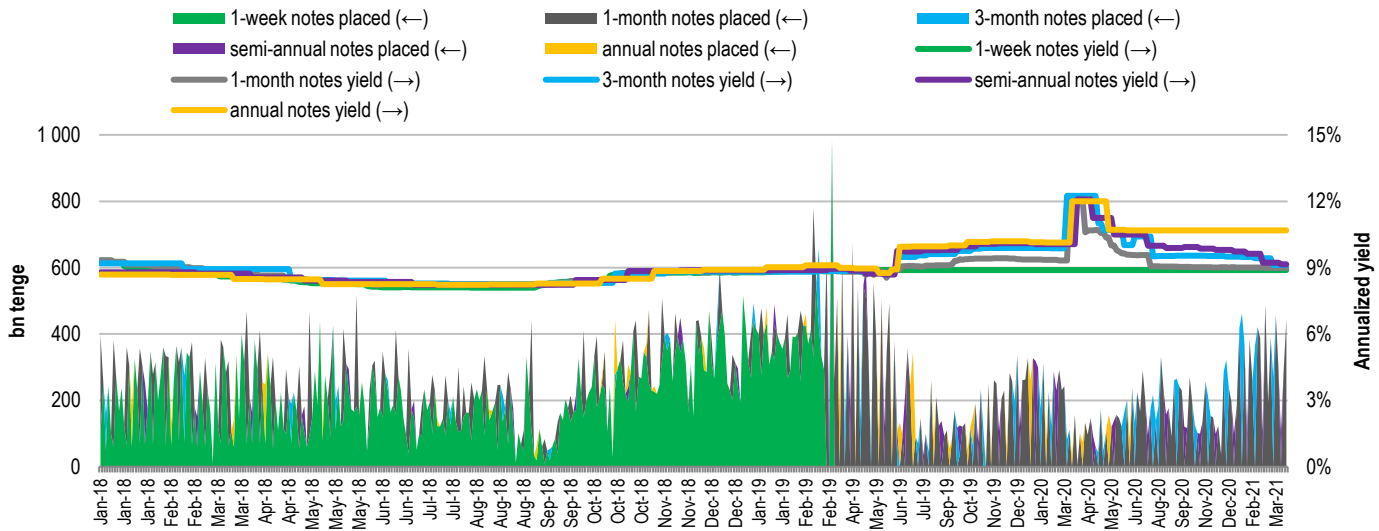


The yield on one-day repo transactions with government securities for decreased by 23 b.p. to the level of 8.43% per annum. The rate of borrowing the tenge secured by US dollars decreased by 19 b.p. and amounted to 8.01% per annum. The average volume of borrowing the tenge liquidity for one day for the reporting period amounted to KZT210.3 bn (+ 8.3% on the same indicator of the previous week).

Inflation and interest rates

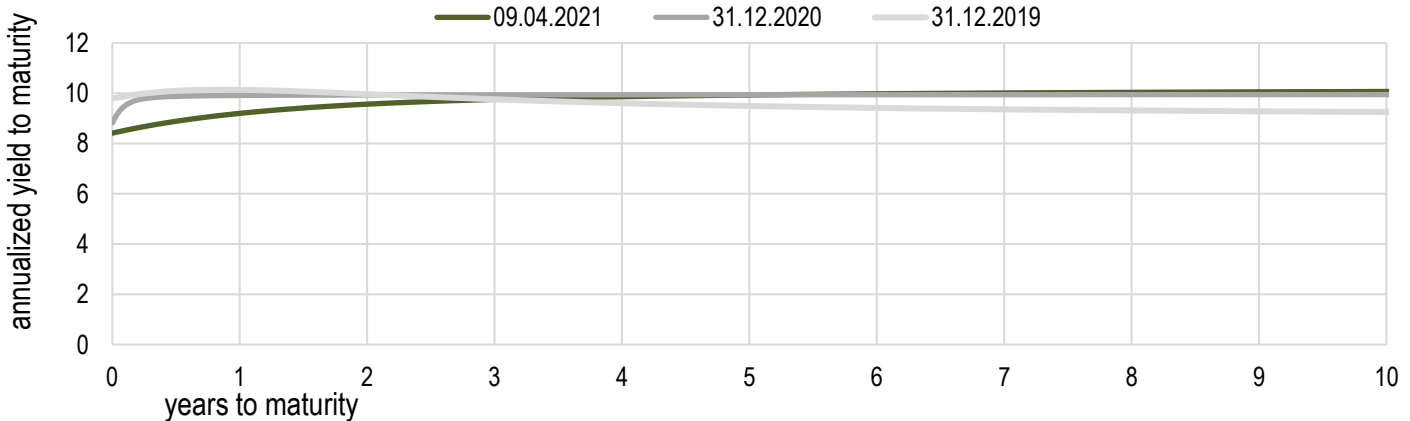


Main Features of National Bank Notes Placements



* weighted average yield on all currency swap transactions with the US dollar.

Risk-free yield curve (non-indexed GS)





The exchange rate of the US dollar against the tenge increased by KZT6.31 (1.5%) to KZT433.15. The total trading volume amounted to \$773.3 mln (-20.4% on the same indicator of the previous week). The total number of deals for purchase and sale of the US dollar amounted to 2,406 (-272 on the same indicator of the previous week). The maximum price was KZT434.00 per US dollar, the minimum – KZT426.85.

The tenge continued to lose ground against the US dollar at the end of the reporting period. The weakening of the Russian ruble played against the tenge amid the withdrawal of foreign investors from ruble assets. The main factor provoking the sale of the ruble and ruble assets continues to be the news background about the concentration of Russian troops near the border with Ukraine.

In addition, the tenge is under pressure from the strengthening of the US dollar in the world market. Investors are withdrawing capital from emerging markets as the outlook for the US economy improves, according to the Institute of International Finance (IIF). Thus, the net outflow of investors' funds from bonds of emerging markets both in February and March amounted to about \$3 bn. Investors were most actively withdrawing from securities of South Africa, Indonesia and India. Investor optimism about the US economy contributes to the strengthening of the dollar and the growth of US Treasuries' yields.

Oil prices, meanwhile, rose in the first half of the week against the background of favorable statistics from the US and China. The latest data from the Institute of Supply Managers (ISM) for March shows the highest-ever activity in the US services sector, while in China the service sector recovery also accelerated in March. This news was able to neutralize market concerns about the decision of OPEC+ made last week to increase oil production in May-July of this year. In addition, pressure on oil quotes is exerted by expectations of an increase in oil supplies from Iran, if the country returns to compliance with the nuclear deal with Western countries and the IAEA.

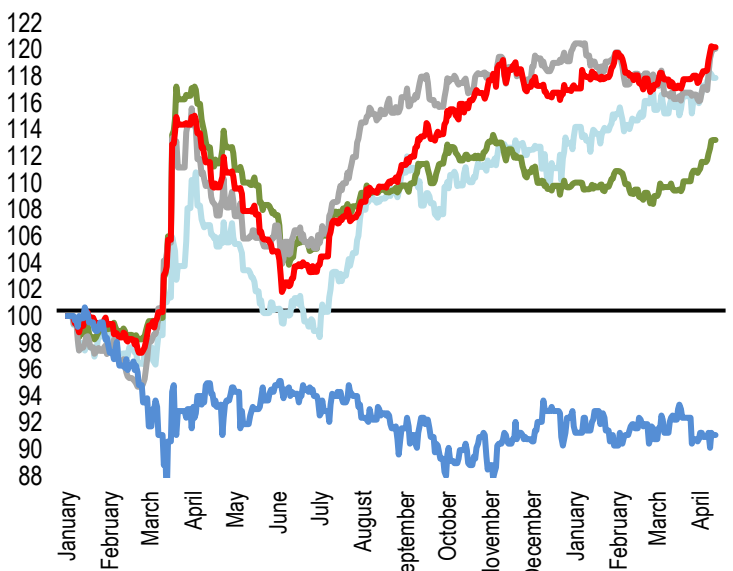
However, in the second half of the week, fresh data from the US Department of Energy (EIA) played against oil quotes, indicating a sharp increase in gasoline reserves in the country, which caused fears of a decrease in demand from the main consumer of fuel in the world. At the same time, EIA data indicated a stronger decline in oil reserves than analysts had predicted.

The price of Brent oil June futures on the London ICE Futures exchange on Friday closed at \$62.95 per barrel (-2.9%). The exchange rate of the US dollar against the Russian ruble on the Moscow Exchange amounted to 77.1236 rubles (+ 0.8%).

The value of the Russian ruble increased by KZT0.0106 (0.2%) – to KZT5.6212. The Chinese yuan rose in price by KZT1.0337 (1.6%) – to KZT66.0237. The euro increased in price by KZT16.00 (3.2%) – to KZT516.00.

FX rates

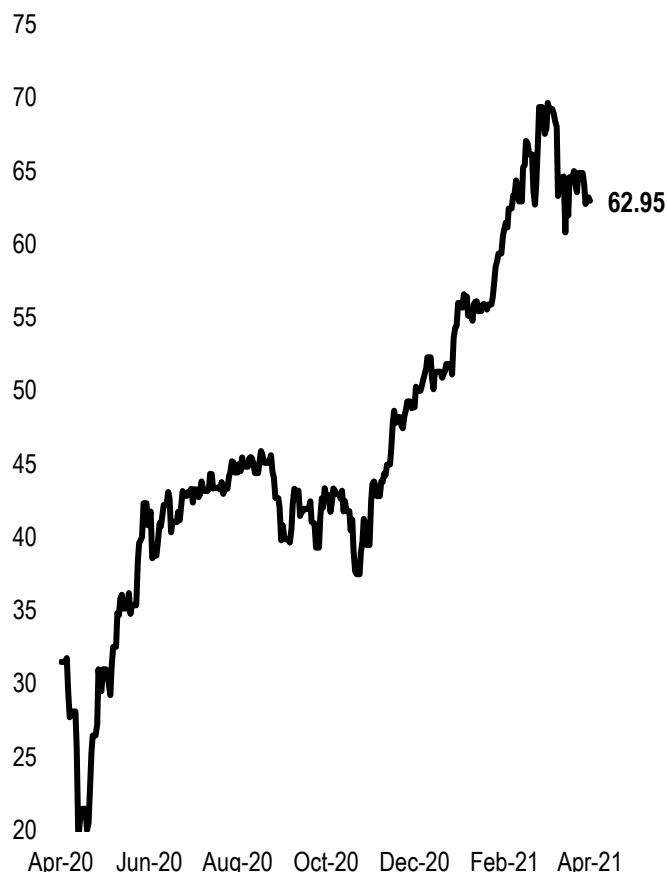
Δ %, base (01.01.20)



	Price	Δ 7d, %	Δ 30d, %	Δ 2020, %
GBPKZT	594.77	1.2	2.0	4.1
USDKZT	432.94	1.4	3.1	2.9
EURKZT	513.68	2.5	2.8	-0.5
CNYKZT	66.10	1.8	2.6	2.5
RUBKZT	5.62	0.0	-0.9	-0.5

Brent oil

USD/barrel



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



Global indices

Commodities market

09.04.2021

Name	Value	Trend %			Futures	Name	Price	Trend %		
		7d	1m	1y	7d			7d	1m	1y
S&P 500	4 128,80	2,7	5,9	48,0	2,3	Oil (Brent)	62,95	-2,9	-7,3	100,0
Dow Jones	33 800,60	2,0	4,7	42,5	2,0	Oil (WTI)	59,32	-3,5	-7,9	160,6
RTS	1 417,77	-3,3	-4,2	22,7	-3,7	Natural gas	2,53	-4,3	-6,2	45,8
MICEX	2 285,53	0,0	0,0	0,0	-3,7	Copper	404,00	1,2	0,0	78,8
Hang Seng	28 698,80	-0,8	-0,7	18,1	-0,6	Iron	1 189,50	0,0	-2,8	77,8
SS CSI 300	5 035,34	-2,4	0,6	32,8	-2,1	Gold	1 743,88	0,9	1,0	3,6
Euro Stoxx 50	3 978,84	0,8	4,2	37,5	0,8	Silver	25,33	1,5	-3,0	57,8
FTSEuroFirst	4 352,50	0,8	2,8	28,4	0,8	Wheat	638,75	4,5	-1,8	14,8
FTSE 100	6 915,75	2,6	2,8	18,4	2,8					
KASE	3 260,79	3,7	10,1	45,3						

Economic calendar

Currency

Forecast

Previous

04/13	GDP (y/y)	GBP		-7,3%
04/14	Crude oil reserves	USD		-3,522M
04/15	Number of initial claims for unemployment benefits	USD	700K	744K
04/16	GDP (y/y) (1 qt.)	CNY	18,9%	6,5%
04/16	Industrial output (y/y) (Mar)	CNY	17,2%	35,1%
04/16	Consumer index price (CIP) (y/y) (Mar)	EUR	1,3%	1,3%

Note: the calendar contains the most significant economic events of the current week according to KASE analysts opinion

B – billions
M – millions
K – thousands

Kazakhstan statistics

Value

As of

Beginning 2020

Annual inflation	7.4%	03/01/21	5,6%
Gross international reserves of NBK, USD bn	34,674	02/01/21	35,638
Reserve money, KZT bn	9,173.8	01/01/21	8,652.5
Money supply, KZT bn	25,392	01/01/21	20,875.8

Кредитные рейтинги Казахстана

Rating

Date

Previous

S&P Global

BBB-/A-3- stable

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BBB- stable

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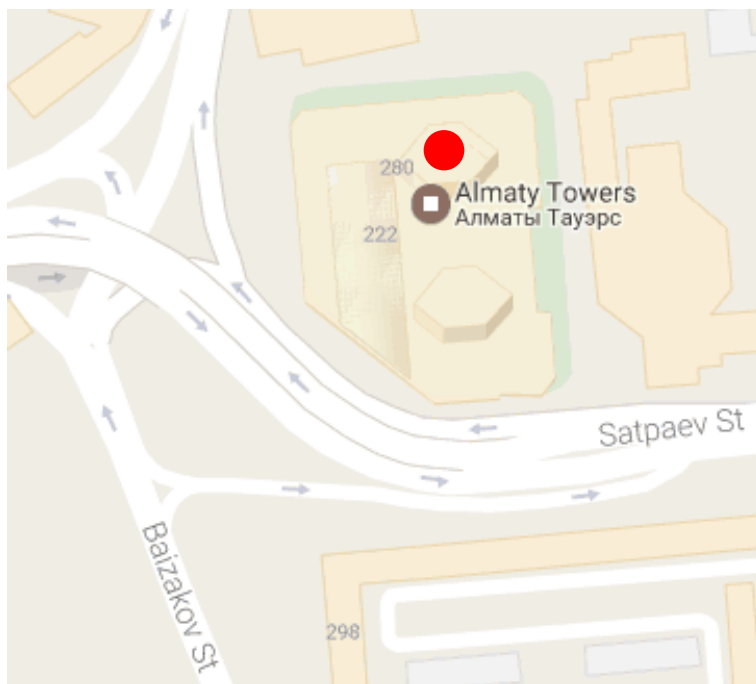
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Corporate Events Calendar of KASE listed Companies

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