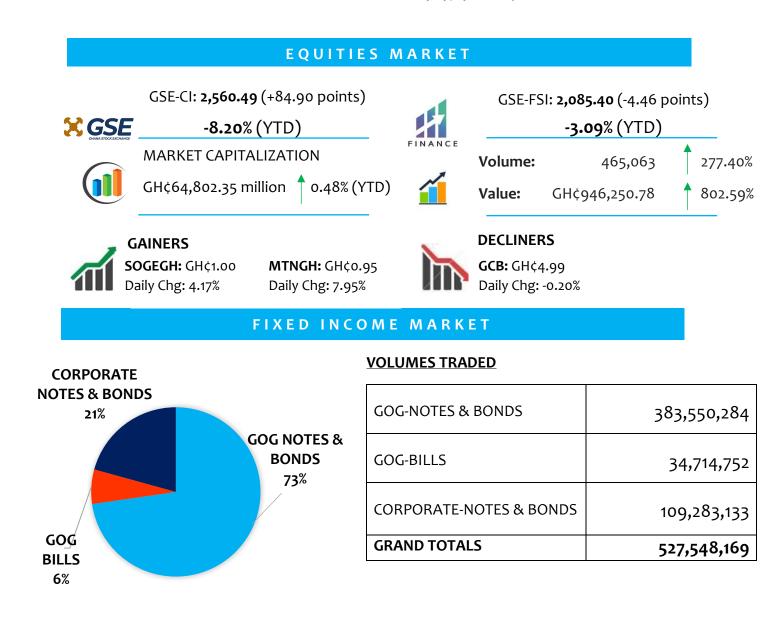
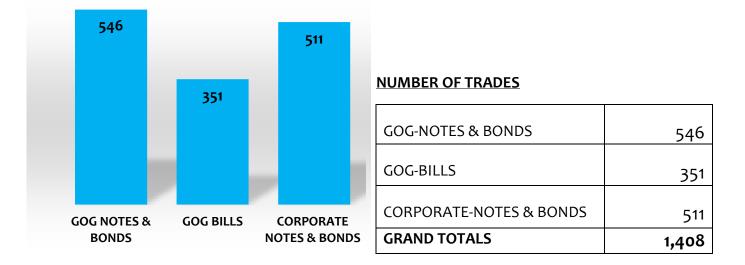


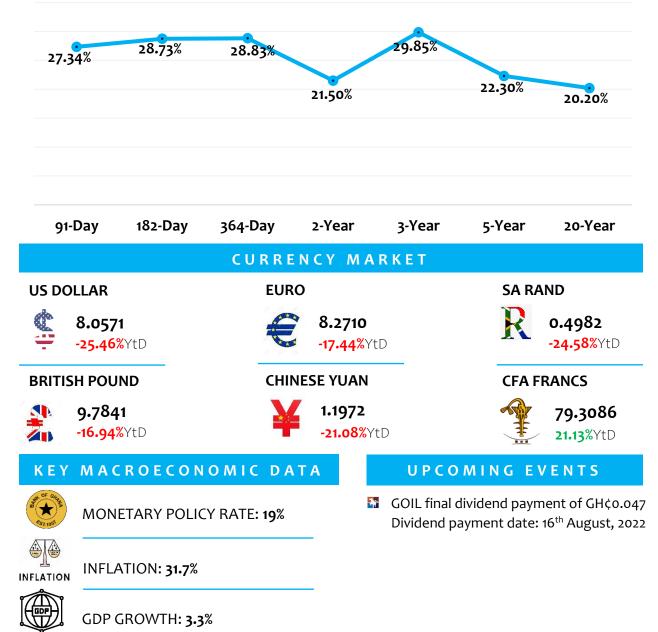
## **NEWS HEADLINES**

- Banking Industry: Bank's stock of NPL increase to GH¢8.9 billion; profit-after-tax rise to GH¢2.4 billion: The stock of non-performing loans (NPL) in the banking industry increased by 10% to GH¢8.9 billion in June 2022, according to the Central Bank in its 107th Monetary Policy Committee Report. This compares favourably with the NPL growth of 15.1% in June 2021. According to the Central Bank, asset quality risks moderated in June 2022, attributed to a combined effect of a moderation in the growth in the stock of NPLs as well as a rebound in credit growth from the previous year. (Norvanreports)
- Investments constitute 40.5% of GH¢200 billion banking assets: Investments remained the largest component of total assets as of June 30, 2022, recording GH¢81.1 billion. According to the July 2022 Banking Sector Development Report, the banking sector's total assets increased by 22.8% to GH¢200.0 billion at the end of June 2022, higher than the growth of 17.2% recorded in the previous year. Securities (long-term debt instruments), according to the Central Bank, constituted the largest component of banks' investment portfolios as of end-June 2022. The share of securities increased further to 80.0% in June 2022 from 72.6% in June 2021. (Myjoyonline)





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