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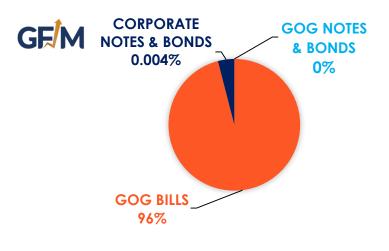
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NEWS HEADLINES

- Inflation likely to peak in quarter 1, 2023 BoG affirms position: The Bank of Ghana has reiterated that inflation is likely to peak in the first quarter of 2023 and gradually ease thereafter. However, headline inflation is projected to remain above the upper band of 8±2 percent until the second half of 2025. In its January 2023 Monetary Policy Report, the Central Bank said its decision to keep the policy rate high was due to the significant upside risks to the inflation outlook. (Myjoyonline)
- Fitch downgrades Ghana's Eurobonds to "restrictive default": Credit rating agency, Fitch Ratings, has downgraded Ghana's foreign bonds (Long Term Foreign Currency Issuer Default Rating) to "restrictive default" from the previous rating of "C". According to Fitch Ratings, the downgrade of Ghana's foreign bonds, reflects the expiration, on 17 February 2023, of the grace period for a missed USD40.625 million coupon payment on its USD1 billion 18 January 2026 Eurobond, as part of the suspension of payments on selected external debt that the government of Ghana announced on 19 December 2022. (Norvanreports)
- BoG reports 184% increase in bad debt for banks in 2022: Ghana's banking sector is facing significant challenges in light of the rising levels of non-performing loans (NPLs) that banks are grappling with. According to the latest data from the Bank of Ghana, the country's central bank, banks operating in Ghana wrote-off about ¢5.9 billion as bad debt in December 2022. This represents a staggering 184.2% increase over the previous year, highlighting the severity of the problem. The total provision made were classified as loan losses, depreciation, and others. (Norvanreports)







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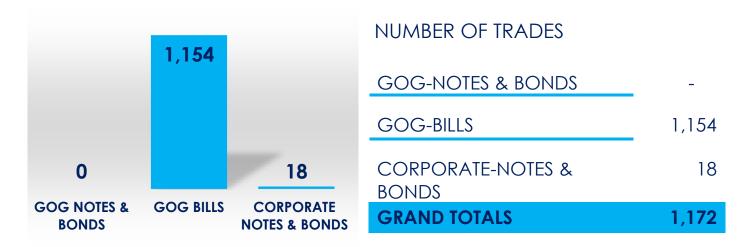
GOG-NOTES & BONDS

GOG-BILLS 60,490,354

CORPORATE-NOTES & 2,529,379

BONDS

GRAND TOTALS 63,019,733



TREASURIES YIELD CURVE



91-Day	182-Day	364-Day	2-Year	3-Year	5-Year	20-Year
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CURRENCY MARKET

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	FOREX	BoG MID RATE	Y-t-D CHANGE
<u>¢</u>	US DOLLAR	GH¢ 10.8039	-20.62%
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€	EURO	GH¢ 11.5487	-20.81%
¥	CHINESE YUAN	GH¢ 1.5754	-21.31%
R	SA RAND	GH¢ 0.5954	-15.28%
1	CFA FRANCS	GH¢ 56.7995	26.27%

KEY MACROECONOMIC

UPCOMING EVENTS



MONETARY POLICY RATE JANUARY, 2023: 28.0%



CONSUMER INFLATION INFLATION JANUARY, 2023: **53.6%**



GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

Q4 2022: 2.9%