

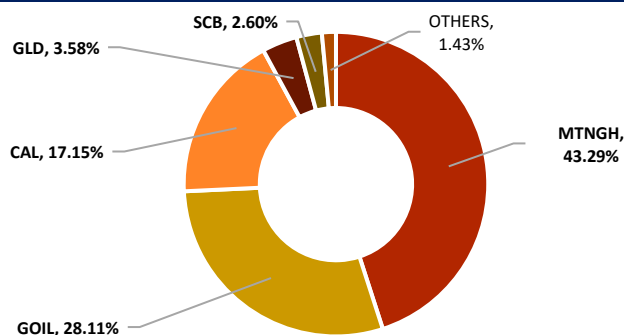
**NEWS HEADLINES**

- ❖ **Average unemployment rate in Ghana in 3 quarters of 2023 hits 14.7%:** The average unemployment rate in Ghana for the first three quarters of 2023 was estimated at 14.7%, with the rate among females consistently higher than males, the Ghana Labour Statistics has revealed. This is compared to the unemployment rate of 13.7% during the same period in 2022. According to the Ghana Statistical Service, the sharp increase in the unemployment rate of females between the fourth quarter of 2022 and the first quarter of 2023 has culminated in a wider unemployment gender gap in 2023, compared to 2022. The difference in the unemployment rates between urban and rural areas also widened successively for the first three quarters of 2023. About 440,000 persons joined the labour force between 2023 Quarter one and 2023 Quarter three, of which more than 60.0% were employed during the period. (Myjoyonline)
- ❖ **BoG, DBG partner to tackle MSME financing challenges in Ghana:** The Bank of Ghana, in collaboration with the Development Bank Ghana (DBG) and the University of Ghana Business School (UGBS), has embarked on an ambitious initiative aimed at revolutionizing access to finance for Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) in the country. At the core of this initiative lies the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between the Bank of Ghana and Development Bank Ghana. The MoU will see the University of Ghana embark on a study to bridge the financing gap that has long hindered the growth trajectory of MSMEs, citing risk aversion among banks and a turbulent economic landscape as primary obstacles. (Norvanreports)

**EQUITIES**

Daily Statistics	Previous Level	Current Level	DailyΔ (%)	YTD (%)
GSE-CI	3,191.17	3,184.64	-0.21	+1.74
GSE-FSI	1,935.95	1,922.90	-0.67	+1.12
Market Cap (GHSmn)	74,819.05	74,600.30	-0.30	+1.05
Tot. Value Traded (GHS)	109,133.60	343,336.40	331.28%	--
Tot. Volume Traded	75,681	326,397	214.60%	--

GSE Gainers			GSE Decliners		
Stock	Cl. Px	DailyΔ (%)	Stock	Cl. Px	DailyΔ (%)
DASPHARMA	0.38	5.56	ETI	0.15	-6.25
GLD	245.80	2.45	--	--	--
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**GSE Contributors to Value****Macroeconomic Indicators:**

- > MPR – 29.0%
- > Inflation – 23.5%
- > GDP Growth – 2.0%
- > Interbank Int. Rate – 28.88%

**FIXED INCOME**

Summary of GFIM	Volume of Trades	No. of Trades
New GoG-Notes & Bonds	82,329,439	6
Old GoG-Notes & Bonds	131,762	5
Treasury Bills	498,141,679	584
Corporate Bonds	13,061,920	3
<b>Grand totals</b>	<b>593,664,800</b>	<b>598</b>

**Treasuries Yield Curve:****Currency Movement**

Currency Pairs	Midpoint (BoG)	DailyΔ (%)	YTDA (%)
USDGHS	12.3877	0.04	-4.10
GBPGHS	15.6358	0.12	-3.21
EURGHS	13.3971	0.11	-2.02
CNYGHS	1.7213	-0.08	-2.79
ZARGHS	0.6470	-1.22	0.38

**Upcoming Events:**

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