

Daily review of economic news of **Uzbekistan**

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		Equ	ity indexes	
01-Feb-1	.0	Value	Δ	% Δ
DJIA	V	10,067	-53.1	-0.5%
S&P 500	V	1,074	-10.7	-1.0%
NASDAQ	V	2,147	-31.7	-1.5%
FTSE 100	A	5,201	12.2	0.2%
NIKKEI 225	A	10,205	7.0	0.1%
Rus. MICEX	_	1,401	-18.4	-1.3%
Rus. RTS	_	1,457	-16.7	-1.1%
Ukr. Eq. Index	_	1,644	-28.3	-1.7%
Kazak. KASE	V	1,822	-17.0	-0.9%
Uzbek. TASIX	•	75	0.00	0.0%

Source: Bloomberg (17.30 Tashkent time)

Commodity Futures

01-Feb-10	Value Δ		% Δ	
Oil Brent Crude Futr (USD/bbl)		71.97	0.51	0.71%
Oil WTI Crude Futr (USD/bbl)		73.32	0.43	0.59%
Gas Natural Futr (USD/MMBtu)		5.30	0.17	3.24%
Cotton No.2 Futr (USD/lb)		69.11	0.08	0.12%
Gold 100 oz Futr (USD/t oz.)		1,086.50	2.70	0.25%
Silver Futr (USD/t oz.)		16.39	0.20	1.24%
Copper Futr (USD/Ib)	V	303.90	-1.35	-0.44%

Source: Bloomberg (17.30 Tashkent time)

	Exchange rate
01-Feb-10	UZS
USD	1527.36
EUR	2165.64
GBP	2485.93
JPY	1690.5
RUR	50.19

Source: CB UZ





Uzbekistan to invest 8trln soums to state programme "Year of harmoniously developed generation"

Uzbekistan will invest 8 trillion soums to realization of the state programme "Year of harmoniously developed generation".

President of Uzbekistan Islam Karimov stated this at the meeting of the Cabinet of Ministers dedicated to the results of social-economic development of Uzbekistan in 2009 and important priorities of economic programme of 2010.

President Islam Karimov said the government will direct 8 trillion soums to implement the programme from all sources of financing, including 1.8 trillion soums from state funds, 3.3 trillion soums – loans of commercial banks and 2.7 trillion soums – own institutional resources.

Source: UzDaily.com

SUN InBev starts exports to Uzbekistan, Lithuania and Armenia

SUN InBev OJSC, a Russian unit of leading brewing company in the world Anheuser-Busch InBev, entered markets of Uzbekistan, Lithuania and Armenia. The company is sure that it can take leading positions in these actively developing markets.

The second largest Russian brewery in terms of sales' volume started to export its products to Uzbekistan, Lithuania and Armenia. The company stated that the launch of export shipments is logic continuation of the strategy on promotion of SUN InBev brands in the CIS states. Currently, SUN InBev works in Belarus, Moldavia, Estonia, Latvia, Abhazia, Georgia, Tadjikistan, Kazakhstan and Kyrgyz Republic.

Source: UzDaily.com

Ahbor-Reyting withdraws rating of appraiser firms

Ahbor-Reyting, rating agency, withdrew reliability ratings of two appraiser companies Osiyo Ekspert LLC and KINEK LLC from 28 January 2010.

The agency said licensing boy – State Property Committee of Uzbekistan – annulled licenses of these two organizations.

Earlier, Ahbor-Reyting assigned uzA2 reliability rating to Osiyo Ekspert LLC and uzA1 to KINEK LLC.

Source: UzDaily.com

Macro Data Uzbekistan	2008	2009	2010*
Real GDP (current bln USD)	27.9	29.9	35,8
GDP growth rate	9%	7%	7%
CPI (year average)	12.7	12.5	9,5
Current account (bln USD)	3.56	2.20	2.30
Current account (% of GDP)	12.8	7.4	6.41
Exchange rate (year average)	1,323	1,469	1,544
CBUz refinancing rate	0.14	0.14	0.14
Population, mln	28	28	29
Unemployment, %	0.3	0.3	0.3

Source: Uz. State Committee, IMF, *OCM Estimates

SUN InBev OJSC will supply Tolstiak, Klinskoye, Sibirskaya Korona, Brahma, Stella Artois, Staropramen, Lowenbrau to Uzbekistan, while main exported brand to Lithuania is Klinskoye. Armenia will receive Tolstiak, Klinskoye, and Sibirskaya Korona brands.

SUN InBev OJSC, the second largest brewing company in Russia in terms of sales' volume. It was founded in 1999 and operates now as a Russian unit of leading brewing company in the world Anheuser-Busch InBev. The main brands of beer produced by the Company in Russia are — Stella Artois, Beck's, Brahma, Staropramen, Hoegaarden, Sibirskaya Korona, Klinskoye, Tolstiak and BagBier.





Uzbekistan President sets plans for 2010

Uzbekistan expects that the gross domestic product (GDP) and industrial output will grow by 8.3% and agriculture output rose by -5% in 2010.

President of Uzbekistan Islam Karimov stated this at the meeting of the Cabinet of Ministers dedicated to the results of social-economic development of Uzbekistan in 2009 and important priorities of economic programme of 2010.

President Karimov said Uzbekistan plans to increase exports volume by 8.5% and change its structure due to increasing share of ready products. Uzbekistan plans to increase share of investments to economy at the level of 30% to GDP.

Uzbekistan plans to pursue contractionary fiscal and monetary policy and saving regime in 2010 compared to 2009. Inflation level is expected at 7-9% in 2010.

The volume of localized production in 2010 will increase by 40% year-on-year in 2010 and the volume of localized production, exported abroad, will grow by 12%. Share of services in GDP will rose from 47% in 2009 to 49% in 2010, the Uzbek leader said.

Uzbek leader said the share of small businesses in GDP should rose to 52.5% compared to 50% in 2009.

He said over US\$3 billion will be invested to implementation of the important projects in 2010, which grown by 30% year-on-year and foreign direct investments rose by 46%. Fund for Reconstruction and Development of Uzbekistan will play key role in modernization of economy. He said about US\$3.7 billion were accumulated at the Fund.

It is planned to invest 540 billion soums to development of motor roads with support of National Road Fund, which is up twofold year-on-year.

Source: UzDaily.com





Alp Jamol Bank to raise charter capital by 20bn soums

Shareholders of Alp Jamol Bank private open joint stock commercial bank adopted decision on raising charter capital of the bank through additional shares issue.

The bank plans to issue 200,000 ordinary shares with par value of 10,000 soums each within its 14th emission. Total sum of the issue is 20 billion soums.

Within 35 days after registration of the share issue, the shareholders will have preferential right to purchase new issued shares. During the period, shareholders can acquire shares at 90% market price of shares, but not less than 10,000 soums.

The bank underlined that the shares will be placed within a year and it will be placed in organized and OTC markets.

Source: UzDaily.com

Ahbor-Reyting updates credit rating of Alp Jamol Bank

Ahbor-Reyting rating agency updated credit rating of Alp Jamol Bank private joint stock commercial bank to uzB++ at the national scale with stable outlook.

The rating of Alp Jamol Bank reflects high reputation and image of the bank, strong position in corporate services market, high quality of assets and good risk-management level, balance liquidity position, as well as support of shareholders and adequate capitalizations, positive financial results in 2008 and third quarter of 2009.

The rating takes into account risks connected with fast assets, geographic concentration of the business in Tashkent region and relatively small capitalization concerning scales of he bank. In the context of the growth of business scale, financial results of the bank are improving.

At the same time, the agency believes in the near future, the profitability can be impacted by possible growth of deductions to credit devaluations in connection with high crediting growth.

Source: UzDaily.com

Alp Jamol Bank private open joint stock commercial bank was founded on 16 March 1998 by a group of entrepreneurs, residents of Uzbekistan. The paid charter capital of the bank is 10 billion soums as of 1 January 2010. The bank said its assets made up 118.6 billion soums and own capital – 15.9 billion soums as of 1 January 2010.

Currently, the bank has five branches, 19 minibanks, of which eleven in Tashkent city, 48 remittance points, 15 specialized cash offices and 19 currency exchange points.





Ahbor-Reyting updates credit rating of Trust Bank

Ahbor-Reyting rating agency updated credit rating of Trust Bank private open joint stock exchange bank to uzB++ at the national scale with stable outlook.

The rating reflects adequate level of solvency of the bank. The bank characterized with high ability on timely and full meeting its financial liabilities compared to other banks, which have lower solvency ratings. Besides, the bank's solvency is sensible to impact of negative changes in commercial, financial and economic conditions compared to banks with A rating.

The rating takes into account sufficient market position among compared banks, acceptable capitalization level, improving financial results. It also takes into account risks connected with fast assets growth, business concept in Tashkent city and potentially sensible liquidity to separate contracting parties.

Source: UzDaily.com

Ahbor-Reyting assigns solvency rating to Kafolat

Ahbor-Reyting rating agency updated solvency rating of Kafolat state joint stock insurance company on national scale uzA with stable outlook on the result of 2008, the agency said on 19 January 2010.

Rating of Kafolat reflects high level of solvency. The agency said the company can timely and fully meet its liabilities and requests of customers.

The rating reflects strong market position and recognizability of the company, acceptable financial results, further diversification of portfolio, as well as developed branch network. The rating takes into account weak diversification of underwriting results, which is normal for local insurance market, as well as relatively high expenses, which is connected with record insurance reserves and it has trend to decrease.

Source: UzDaily.com

Trust Bank is one of the leading private banks in Uzbekistan with market share of 1.5% as of 30 September 2009, share of assets – 1.92%. The priority directions of the bank's activity is banking services to corporate customers, commercial crediting, trade financing and retail business.

Kafolat is one of the largest insurance companies of Uzbekistan with state participation. The company has developed branch network and renders insurance services in all 17 classes of general insurance.

Kafolat state joint stock insurance company was founded in line with the resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Uzbekistan No. 144 from 14 March 1997. The company possesses license with Finance Ministry No. 00075 on carrying out activity on general insurance on all classes of voluntary and mandatory insurance. It is one of five largest insurance companies of Uzbekistan on the volume of collected premiums. The company has 15 regional divisions and 107 departments across Uzbekistan.





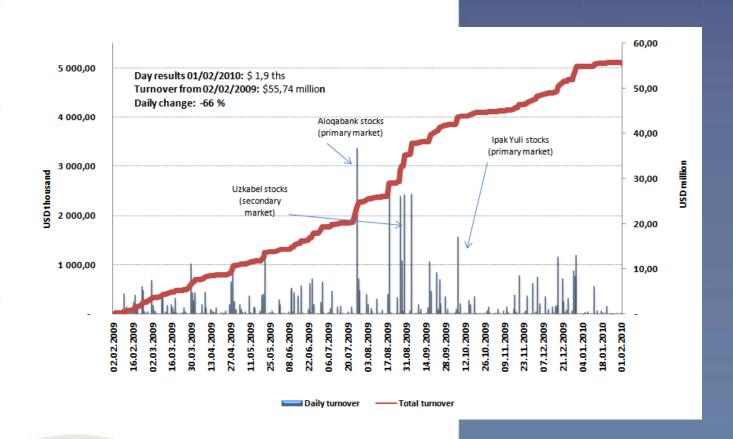
RSE "Toshkent" review

	Issuer	Number of transactio ns	Turnov er(\$)	% of total turnover	Industry
1					Transportati
_	"Asaka MTP»	2	1,71	89,54%	on service
2	"Andijonneft»	1	0,20	10,24%	Oil and gas
	"Navoisavdo»	1	0,00	0,22%	Retail
	Total	4	1,91	100%	

On February 02, 2010, 3 companies were traded, with total turnover of 1.9 thousand USD on RSE Tashkent. We could observe a 66% decrease in total turnover, compared with January 29.

All stocks were traded on the secondary market

52 weeks turnover







TOP10 issuers by turnover in 2010

	Issuer	Stock Turnover (\$)
1	Turon bank	341,49
2	OTEL SAYOHAT	176,40
3	Kapital sugurta	115,60
4	O'ZOG''IRSANOATLOYIHA	57,00
5	Qishliq qurilish bank	39,55
6	ALLIANCE-LEASING	31,56
7	Qizilkumcement	30,38
8	O'ZBEKKO'MIR	29,82
9	Quvasoycement	28,08
10	Ipak Yuli	18,23





Investment calendar

	Date	Event	Comment
	04.02.2010	Special general shareholders meeting of JSC «Peshky pahta tozalash»	
·		Special general shareholders meeting of JSC «Hatirchi MTP»	
		Special general shareholders meeting of JSC «Sarvat-Invest»	
	10.02.2010	Special general shareholders meeting of JSC «Chorsu dehkon bozori»	
	10.02.2010	Special general shareholders meeting of JSC «Uzbek Republican Currency Exchange»	
	10.02.2010	Special general shareholders meeting of CJSC «Stroygorod»	
	12.02.2010	Special general shareholders meeting of JSC «Ravnak-bank»	
	12.02.2010	Special general shareholders meeting of JSC «Kichkintoy»	
	13.02.2010	Special general shareholders meeting of JSC «Gala Osiyo MTP»	
	15.02.2010	Special general shareholders meeting of JSC «Uzagrosygyrta»	
	15.02.2010	Special general shareholders meeting of OJSPB «Alp Jamol» Bank	Changes in organization charter
	17.02.2010	Annual general shareholders meeting of JSC «Quqonmash»	Annual Financial Results
	19.02.2010	Special general shareholders meeting of JSC «UzRTSB»	Changes in charter capital
	19.02.2010	Special general shareholders meeting of JSC «Uktambank»	Changes in organization charter
	24.02.2010	Special general shareholders meeting of JSC «Santehyigish»	Reorganization into LLC.
	01.03.2010	Special general shareholders meeting of JSSIB «IpakYuliBank»	Changes in organization charter

Dividends

Company	Share	Dividends (UZS)	Face value	Ex-dividend date
JSC «Invest Finance Bank»	Common	125	1000	10.12.2009
JSC «Asaka»	Common	4065,69	50000	11.12.2009
JSC «Andijon nashiyot- matbaa»	Common	50	1000	12.11.2009
	Preferred	1000	1000	12.11.2009
JSC «Qzneftegazdobicha»	Common	7	1000	14.11.2009
	Preferred	250	1000	14.11.2009
JSC «Matbuot tarkatuvchi»	Common	325,5	288	16.12.2009
JSC «Qurilishtrans»	Common	500	835	17.11.2009
JSC «Trastbank»	Common	650	1000	17.12.2009
JSC «Yuktrans»	Common	4330,0	5000	20.11.2009
JSC «Kapitalbank»	Common	10000	10000	21.11.2009
JSC «Kapitalbank»	Common	10000	10000	21.11.2009
JSC «O'zavtotexxizmat»	Common	216000	135000	23.11.2009
JSC «Kvarc»	Common	41316,0	2310	24.11.2009
JSC «Qishlokhujalikkime»	Common	196	1000	26.11.2009
JSC «Ozodlik»	Preferred	40	200	26.12.2009
JSC «Avtotexxizmat»	Common	10000	11000	27.11.2009
JSC «Sergeli-avtotexservis»	Common	20000	25000	28.11.2009
JSC «Ygazstroy»	Common	3250	5000	30.11.2009
JSC «Buxoroavtotexxizmat»	Common	6000	6000	30.11.2009
	Preferred	6000	6000	30.11.2009
JSC «Alokabank»	Preferred	20	100	30.11.2009
JSC «Buxoroneftgazsuvgurilish»	Common	20500	95000	30.11.2009





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