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Korea's Official Foreign Reserves

(July 2019)

- ☐ Korea's official foreign reserves as of the end of July 2019 amounted to 403.1 billion dollars.
 - Korea's official foreign reserves consisted of securities valued at 372.0 billion dollars (92.3%), deposits of 20.2 billion dollars (5.0%), SDRs of 3.4 billion dollars (0.8%), the country's IMF reserve position of 2.7 billion dollars (0.7%), and gold of 4.8 billion dollars (1.2%).

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(hundred million USD)

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As of the end of	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019		
					June	July	(During July)
Official foreign reserves	3,679.6	3,711.0	3,892.7	4,036.9	4,030.7	4,031.1	0.4
Securities ¹⁾	3,452.4	3,433.3	3,588.3	3,796.0	3,738.4	3,720.2	-18.2
Deposits	132.7	183.7	206.5	137.3	184.9	202.4	17.5
SDRs	32.4	28.8	33.7	34.3	34.6	33.9	-0.7
IMF position ²⁾	14.1	17.3	16.2	21.4	24.9	26.7	1.8
Gold	47.9	47.9	47.9	47.9	47.9	47.9	0.0

Notes: 1) Including government bonds, government agency bonds, debentures, MBSs, ABSs, and others.

²⁾ The reserve tranche position (RTP) of an IMF member is the difference between its quota and the IMF's holdings of member's currency. Any member may draw down its RTP at any time in the form of convertible currencies.

☐ As of the end of June 2019, Korea's foreign reserve holdings ranked the ninth largest in the world.

Official Foreign Reserves (As of the end of June 2019)

(hundred million USD)

Rank	Country	Foreign reserves		Rank	Country	Foreign re	Foreign reserves	
1.	China	31,192	(+182)	6.	Taiwan	4,670	(+25)	
2.	Japan	13,223	(+143)	7.	Hong Kong	4,457	(+79)	
3.	Switzerland	8,312	(+269)	8.	India	4,298	(+80)	
4.	Russia	5,184	(+231)	9.	Korea	4,031	(+11)	
5.	Saudi Arabia	5,128	(-42)	10.	Brazil	3,881	(+19)	

Notes: 1) Figures in () represent changes compared to the end of the preceding month. Sources: IMF, relevant central banks.