

# KASE WEEKLY

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## KASE NEWS

- ▲ KASE [held](#) an online press briefing on the results of the exchange market for January 2021.
- ▲ Trades were opened on KASE in bonds [KZ2C00007300](#) (KFUSb8) of Kazakhstan Sustainability Fund JSC, [KZ2P00007206](#) (MFRFb1) of MFO "R-Finance" LLP, [KZ2C00007011](#) (IDFRb2) of Industrial Development Fund JSC, international [bonds](#) US91282CAV37 (US\_06\_118107R and US944 ) of US Treasury Department.
- ▲ Trades in common shares [KZ000A0ETF32](#) (ATFB) of ATFBank JSC and [securities](#) of AsiaCredit Bank JSC were suspended on KASE.
- ▲ AsiaCredit Bank [was excluded](#) from participation in trades on KASE and stripped of the status of a clearing participant.
- ▲ International bonds [XS1940060046](#) (IFC\_e3) of the International Finance Corporation were excluded from KASE official list due to the expiration of the circulation period, [bonds](#) KZ2C00005973 (BTDVb1) and KZ2C00006179 (BTDVb2) of Kazakhstan Housing Company JSC – due to their cancellation, international bonds [XS0918291151](#) (ECTRe1) of Eastcomtrans LLP – due to their early repayment.
- ▲ Common shares KZ1C00003821 (ZHLT) of Zhaltyrbulak JSC [are included](#) in the "shares" sector of KASE alternative market.
- ▲ Bonds KZ2C00007318 (KFUSb9) of Kazakhstan Sustainability Fund JSC are included in the [List T+](#) and the Collateral List T+, in the GS [basket](#) with the CCP and the NBRK basket with the CCP.
- ▲ International bonds XS2294363416 (ASDBe6) of Asian Development Bank [were included](#) in the sector "Securities of International Financial Organizations" of KASE official list.
- ▲ Raiffeisenbank JSC [was admitted](#) to foreign members of KASE in the "currency" category.

## ISSUER NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ▲ The Ministry of Finance of Kazakhstan raised KZT86.3 bn on KASE by placing MEUKAM-096 of issue 11 ([KZKD00001095](#)), MEUKAM-240 of the first issue ([KZKD00000550](#)) and MEKKAM-12 of issue 149 ([KZK100000258](#)).
- ▲ MFO "R-Finance" LLP [raised](#) KZT200.7 mln on KASE by placing bonds KZ2P00007206 (MFRFb1).
- ▲ National managing holding "Baiterek" JSC redeemed on KASE 40.0 million of its bonds [KZ2C00006088](#) (BTRKb2) and 25.0 mln of its bonds [KZ2C00006203](#) (BTRKb3).
- ▲ [Kazakhstan](#) Sustainability Fund JSC raised KZT38.5 bn on KASE by placing bonds [KZ2C00007300](#) (KFUSb8) and KZ2C00007326 (KFUSb10).
- ▲ Kcell JSC [reported](#) its financial results for 2020.
- ▲ KAZ Minerals PLC [provided](#) information in English on the increase in the offer to shareholders of the company from NOVA RESOURCES B.V.
- ▲ Freedom Holding Corp. [announced](#) financial results for the third quarter of fiscal year 2021.

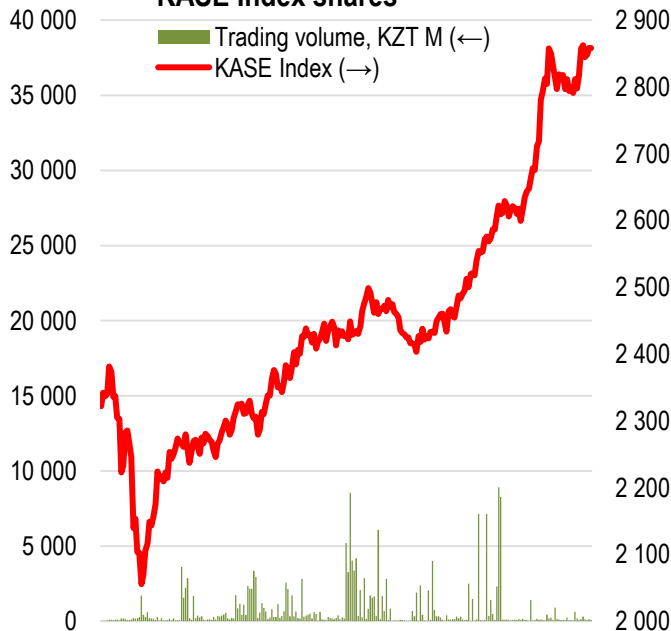


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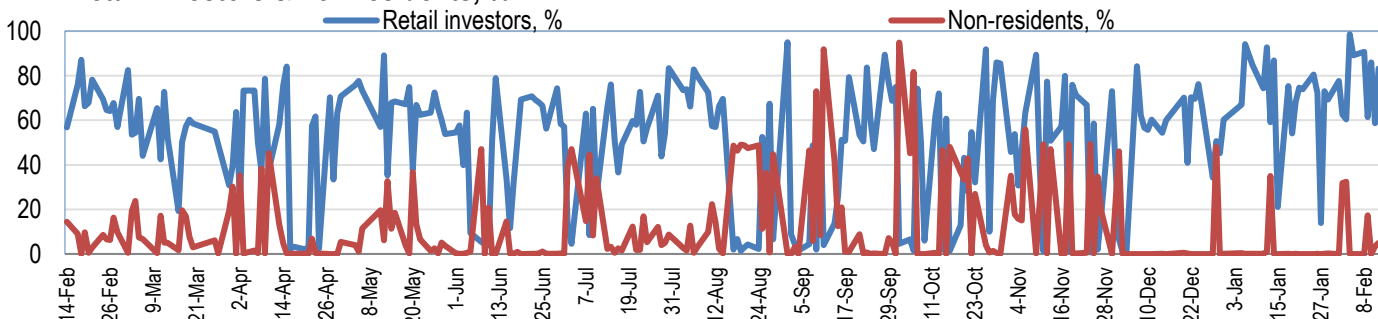
Индекс KASE	2 858,41	Тренды (%)	
		0,0	1,9
<b>Первый класс ликвидности</b>	<b>Цена</b>	<b>Δ 7д</b>	<b>Δ 1м</b>
Freedom Holding Corp.	24 699,0	18,7	16,7
Газпром	1 250,0	2,5	-2,3
<b>НАК Казатомпром</b>	8 061,0	2,0	-0,5
<b>КазТрансОйл</b>	1 002,5	1,3	-2,1
<b>KAZ Minerals</b>	4 518,0	1,2	16,1
Аэрофлот	399,0	0,8	-5,0
<b>Народный банк</b>	138,0	0,7	7,6
Bank of America Corporation	13 860,7	0,7	0,4
Казакхтелеком, прив. акции	13 000,0	0,4	1,0
Банк ВТБ	0,2	0,0	0,0
<b>KEGOC</b>	1 684,9	-0,4	-0,8
Сбербанк	1 487,1	-1,8	-4,6
<b>Банк ЦентрКредит</b>	207,1	-1,8	-3,9
<b>Kcell</b>	2 510,0	-2,0	-11,6
<b>Казакхтелеком</b>	26 720,0	-2,8	1,2

Note: Index stocks are highlighted in green

## KASE Index shares



## Retail investors &amp; non-residents, %



KASE Index rose by 0.02 % to 2,858.41 points. The largest number of deals among index shares was made with ordinary shares of Halyk Bank – 977 deals (27.9% of the total portion). The largest trading volume also fell on the securities of Halyk Bank – KZT336.2 mln (47.7% of the total portion).

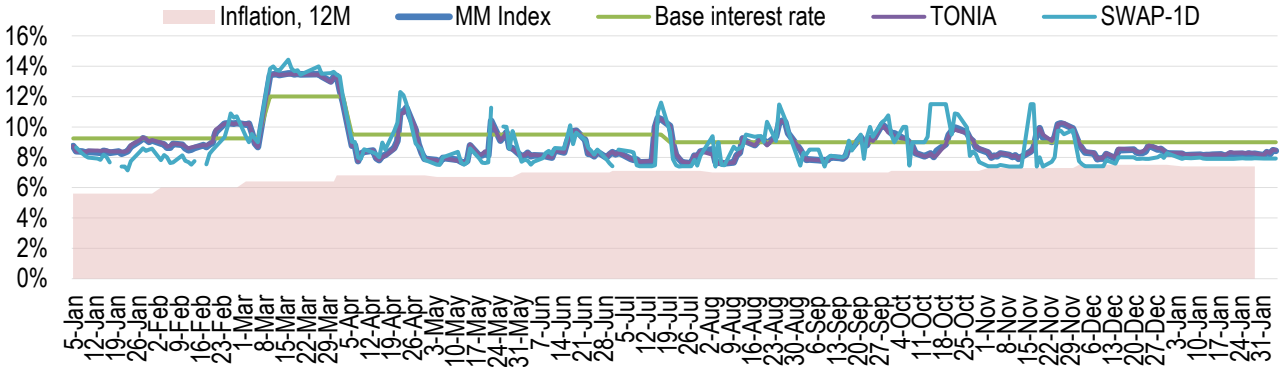
The leaders of growth were stocks of Kazatomprom, which went up in price by 2 %. The nuclear stocks were supported by the news that Cameco has decided to postpone the re-commissioning of Cigar Lake, the world's largest uranium mine, indefinitely. The company said its production start date was dependent on its ability to maintain secure and stable operating protocols. We remind you that Cameco has suspended operations at the mine due to the outbreak of coronavirus in the region. Against the background of this news, VTB Capital retained its "buy" recommendation with a 12-month target price of \$24 per share. On the LSE, meanwhile, the company's GDRs increased by 7.1% - to \$20.4, which is equivalent to KZT8,519.04 per share at the official exchange rate of the National Bank on February 12. Meanwhile, NYMEX uranium futures are trading at \$29 a pound, down from the four-year high of \$34 a pound seen in May 2020.

Kcell shares declined by 2% over the week after the release of the financial report for 2020. The telecom operator in the past year increased its net income 1.8 times under IFRS – to KZT17.6 bn, while the number of subscribers decreased by 2.7% to 8.055 million subscribers. Net sales increased by 11.5% amounting to KZT174.7 bn. Mobile phone sales in 2020 grew by 81.4% compared with 2019, with an increase of 75.5% in the fourth quarter. The company notes that the release of the iPhone 12 was an additional stimulus for growth in mobile phone sales in Q4, which led to an increase in Kcell's overall share of the mobile phone market. Revenue from services increased by 1.8% to KZT140.1 bn. In addition, on February 9, the company announced that an extraordinary general meeting of shareholders of Kcell JSC will be held on February 26, the agenda of which will include the only issue "On the election of members of the Board of Directors of Kcell JSC". Against this background, shares of the parent company of Kcell – Kazakhtelecom – also decreased by 3%, becoming the main outsiders of the trading week.



The yield on one-day repo transactions with government securities increased by 9 b.p. to the level of 8.56% per annum. The rate of borrowing the tenge secured by US dollars increased by 2 b.p. amounting to 7.93% per annum. The total volume of borrowing the tenge liquidity for one day amounted to KZT2.1 trln (+ 16.7% on the same indicator of the previous week) over the week.

**Inflation and interest rates**

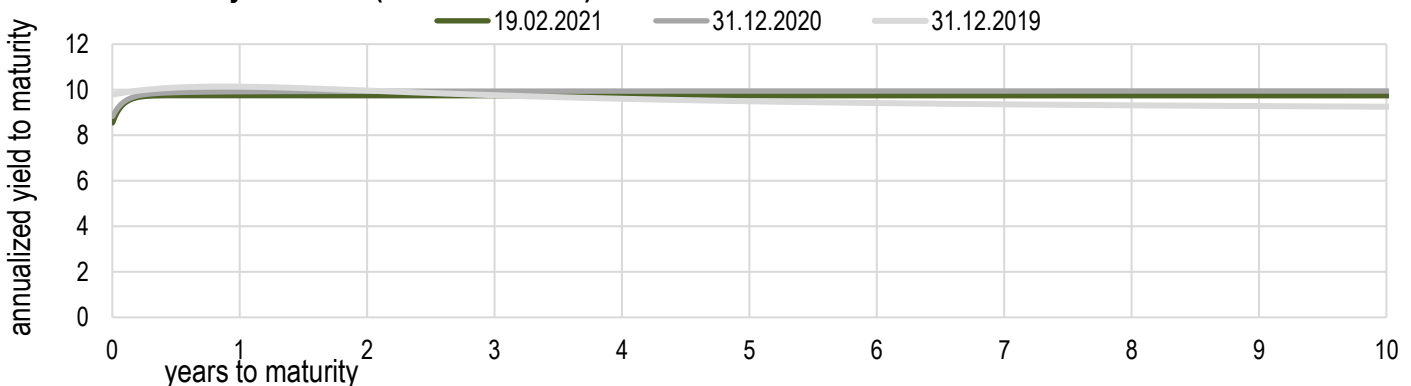


**Main Features of National Bank Notes Placements**



\* weighted average yield on all currency swap transactions with the US dollar.

**Risk-free yield curve (non-indexed GS)**





The exchange rate of the US dollar against the tenge decreased by KZT1.63 (0.4%) to KZT418.86. The total trading volume amounted to \$ 460.7 million (-24.5% to the same indicator of the previous week). The total number of deals for purchase and sale of the US dollar amounted to 1,432 (-301 on the same indicator of the previous week). The maximum price was KZT419.50 per US dollar, the minimum was KZT417.15.

The tenge was supported by the rise in oil prices in the first half of the week. Brent crude traded above \$60 a barrel amid strong demand from China despite new coronavirus outbreaks in the country. Bloomberg reports that as of February 5, the maximum number of tankers carrying a total of 250 million barrels of oil were heading for Chinese ports in six months. Oil prices are also supported by the limitation of the production volume by Saudi Arabia in February-March in excess of its quota, while the limitation of production by other OPEC+ countries continued.

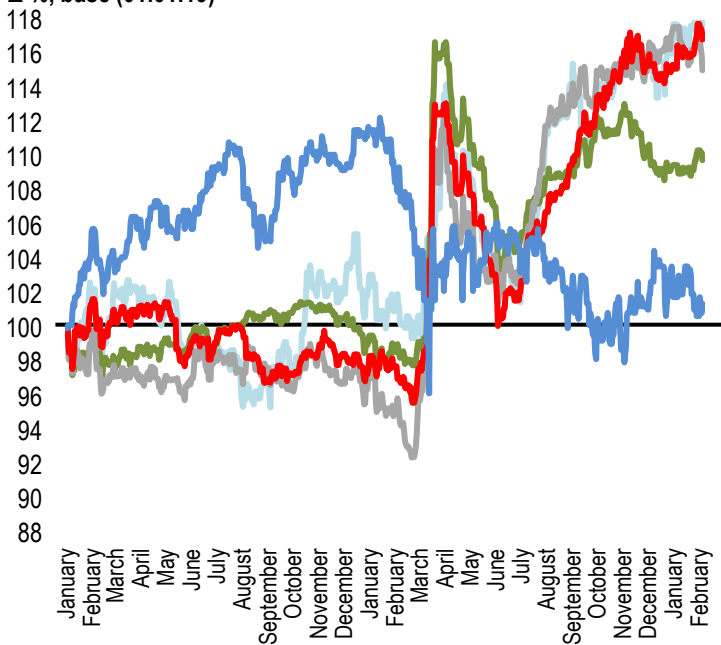
On Friday, after strengthening for 8 days in a row, the tenge weakened slightly against the background of oil prices correction. Oil prices decreased during Friday's trading amid deteriorating forecasts about demand for "black gold". Updated forecasts from the IEA and OPEC have raised concerns about the outlook for oil demand. In 2021, OPEC expects an increase in oil consumption by 5.8 mln bpd, which is 100 thousand bpd less than the forecast of the previous month, to 96.05 mln bpd. Meanwhile, the IEA has lowered its forecast for global oil demand in 2021 by 100,000 bpd to 5.4 mln bpd. Global demand will hit 96.4 mln bpd this year, recovering about 60% of the losses claimed by the pandemic in 2020, according to the agency's report.

The price of March Brent oil futures on the London ICE Futures exchange on Friday closed at \$62.43 per barrel (+5.2%). The exchange rate of the US dollar against the Russian ruble on the Moscow Exchange amounted to 73.7114 rubles (-1.3%).

The value of the Russian ruble increased by KZT0.0849 (1.5%) to KZT5.6729. The Chinese yuan rose in price by KZT0.0833 (0.1%) to KZT65.0833.

**FX rates**

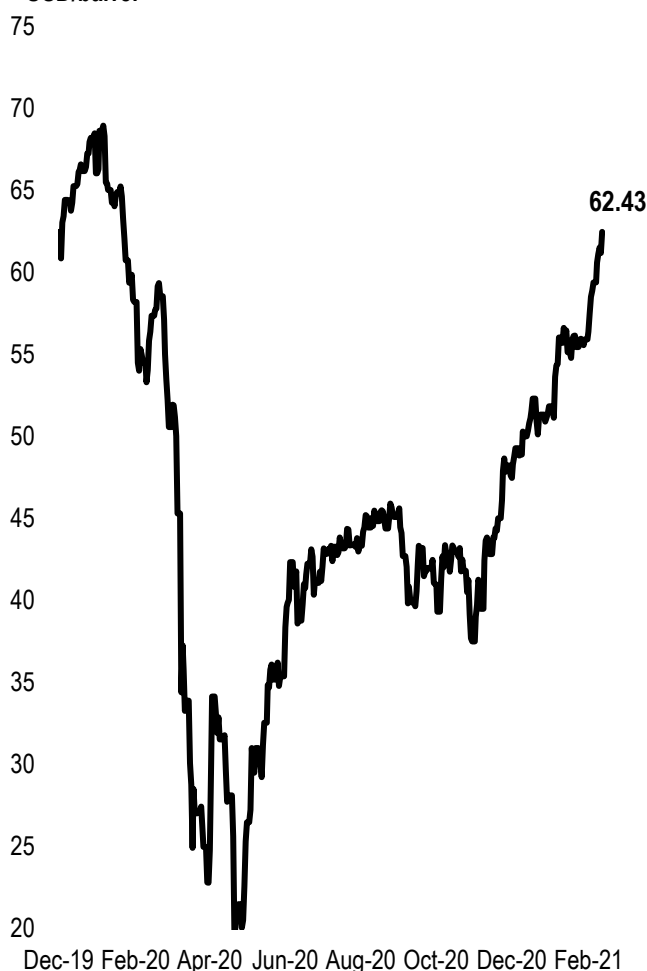
Δ %, base (01.01.19)



	Price	Δ 7d, %	Δ 30d, %	Δ 2020, %
— GBPKZT	577,71	0,8	1,1	1,1
— USDKZT	417,60	-1,0	-0,6	-0,7
— EURKZT	506,47	0,2	-0,9	-1,9
— CNYKZT	64,70	-0,9	-0,6	0,3
— RUBKZT	5,66	1,1	-0,2	0,2

**Brent oil**

USD/barrel













Note: The chart and the table are based on the official market rates of the NBK. NBK rates may differ from KASE rates.

## Global indices

## Commodities market

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Name	Value	Trend %			Futures 7d	Name	Price	Trend %		
		7d	1m	1y				7d	1m	1y
 S&P 500	3 934,83	1,2	3,3	16,6	1,3	Oil (Brent)	62,43	5,2	11,4	10,8
 Dow Jones	31 458,40	1,0	1,3	6,9	1,1	Oil (WTI)	59,47	4,6	12,4	15,7
 RTS	1 461,99	2,1	-1,7	-5,3	2,1	Natural gas	2,91	1,7	6,8	59,5
 MICEX	2 285,53	0,0	0,0	0,0	2,1	Copper	378,80	4,5	4,7	45,0
 Hang Seng	30 173,57	3,0	6,9	8,8	3,0	Iron	1 155,00	0,0	1,1	75,0
 SS CSI 300	5 807,72	5,9	4,1	46,7	5,6	Gold	1 824,23	0,6	-1,2	15,7
 Euro Stoxx 50	3 695,61	1,1	2,2	-3,9	1,2	Silver	27,33	1,1	6,9	55,1
 FTSEuroFirst	4 077,00	1,3	0,8	-9,8	1,3	Wheat	636,75	-0,7	-3,6	17,0
 FTSE 100	6 589,79	1,5	-2,3	-11,6	1,4					
 KASE	2 858,41	0,0	1,9	23,1						

## Economic calendar

## Currency

## Forecast

## Previous

18.02	Publication of the minutes of the ECB meeting on monetary policy	EUR		
18.02	Number of initial applications for unemployment benefits	USD	765K	848K
18.02	Crude oil reserves	USD	-2.429M	-6.644M
19.02	Manufacturing PMI Germany (Feb)	EUR	56.5	57.1
19.02	PMI services	GBP		39.5
19.02	FRS monetary policy report	USD		

Note: the calendar contains the most significant economic events of the current week according to KASE analysts opinion

B – billions

M – millions

K – thousands

## Kazakhstan statistics

## Value

## As of

## Beginning 2019

Annual inflation	7.1%	08/01/20	5.3%
Gross international reserves of NBK, USD bn	31,561	06/01/20	30,927
Reserve money, KZT bn	8,428.3	06/01/20	5,995.7
Money supply, KZT bn	22,438.2	06/01/20	20,813.4

## Kazakhstan credit ratings

## Rating

## Date

## Previous

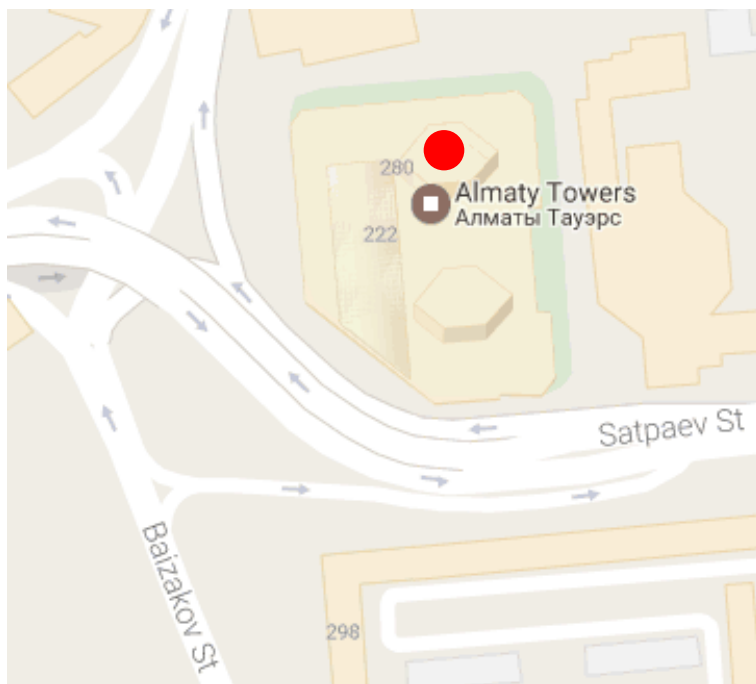
	BBB- stable	09/10/18	BBB- stable
	Baa3 stable	07/26/17	Baa3 stable
	BBB stable	09/28/18	BBB stable

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**Corporate Events Calendar of KASE listed Companies**

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