

WORLD OFFICIAL GOLD HOLDINGS

International Financial Statistics, November 2023*

		% of	Holdings as			% of	Holdings as
	Tonnes	reserves**	of		Tonnes	reserves**	of
1 United States	8.133,5	68,0%	Sep 2023	51 Finland	49,0	17,9%	Sep 2023
2 Germany	3.352,6	,	Sep 2023	52 Jordan	43,5	16,8%	Oct 2017
3 IMF	2.814,0	1)	Sep 2023	53 Bolivia	42,5	86,5%	Apr 2023
4 Italy	2.451,8	64,4%	Sep 2023	54 Cambodia	42,5	13,8%	Jul 2023
5 France	2.436,9	66,1%	Sep 2023	55 Bulgaria	40,9	6,2%	Sep 2023
6 Russian Federation	2.332,7	24,7%	Sep 2023	56 Malaysia	38,9	2,1%	Sep 2023
7 China, P.R.: Mainland	2.191,5	4,0%	Sep 2023	57 Serbia, Rep. of	38,7	9,1%	Sep 2023
8 Switzerland	1.040,0	7,2%	Aug 2023	58 WAEMU ³⁾	36,5	13,4%	Jul 2023
9 Japan	846,0	4,1%	Sep 2023	59 Peru	34,7	2,9%	Jul 2021
10 India	806,7	8,2%	Sep 2023	60 Ecuador	33,8	29,6%	Jul 2023
11 Netherlands, The	612,5		Sep 2023	61 Slovak Rep.	31,7	19,1%	Sep 2023
12 ECB	506,5	30,8%	Sep 2023	62 Ukraine	27,1	4,1%	Sep 2023
13 Turkey ⁵⁾	479,0	26,1%	Nov 2022	63 Syrian Arab Republic	25,8	8,5%	Jun 2011
14 Taiwan Province of Ch	423,6	4,3%	Aug 2023	64 Czech Rep.	25,6	1,1%	Sep 2023
15 Uzbekistan, Rep. of	383,8	74,4%	Sep 2023	65 Morocco	22,1	3,8%	Aug 2023
16 Portugal	382,6	70,7%	Sep 2023	66 Afghanistan, Islamic Rep.	21,9	13,7%	May 2021
17 Poland, Rep. of	333,7	11,2%	Sep 2023	67 Nigeria	21,5	3,0%	Jan 2018
18 Saudi Arabia	323,1	4,4%	Aug 2023	68 Kyrgyz Rep.	21,0	49,4%	Sep 2023
19 United Kingdom	310,3	11,0%	Sep 2023	69 Bangladesh	14,0	3,6%	Aug 2023
20 Kazakhstan, Rep. of	309,4	58,3%	Sep 2023	70 Cyprus	13,9	49,4%	Sep 2023
21 Lebanon	286,8	54,7%	Jul 2023	71 Curação and Sint Maartei	13,1	31,8%	Aug 2023
22 Spain	281,6	17,2%	Sep 2023	72 Mauritius	12,4	11,4%	Sep 2023
23 Austria	280,0	55,9%	Sep 2023	73 Ireland	12,0	5,8%	Sep 2023
24 Thailand	244,2	6,5%	Jan 2023	74 Paraguay	8,2	5,1%	Sep 2023
25 Singapore	230,3	4,0%	Sep 2023	75 Nepal	8,0	4,5%	May 2023
26 Belgium	227,4	35,4%	Sep 2023	76 Tajikistan, Rep. of	7,4	12,4%	Feb 2023
27 Algeria	173,6		Aug 2023	77 Myanmar	7,3	5,4%	Mar 2021
28 Philippines	164,0	9,9%	Aug 2023	78 North Macedonia, Republ	6,9	10,0%	Sep 2023
29 Venezuela, Republica	161,2	83,4%	Jun 2018	79 Guatemala	6,9	2,0%	Sep 2023
30 Iraq	132,7	7,3%	Jun 2023	80 Tunisia	6,8	4,5%	Aug 2023
31 Brazil	129,7	,	Sep 2023	81 Latvia	6,7	8,6%	Sep 2023
32 Egypt, Arab Rep. of	125,9		Aug 2023	82 Mongolia	6,6	9,6%	Sep 2023
33 Sweden	125,7	,	Sep 2023	83 Lithuania	5,8	6,0%	Sep 2023
34 South Africa	125,4	,	Sep 2023	84 Colombia	4,7	0,5%	Sep 2023
35 Mexico	120,1	3,4%	Sep 2023	85 Bahrain, Kingdom of	4,7	5,1%	Feb 2023
36 Libya	116,6		Nov 2020	86 Brunei Darussalam	4,5	6,8%	Jul 2023
37 Greece	114,4		Sep 2023	87 Mozambique, Rep. of	3,9	7,4%	Sep 2023
38 Korea, Rep. of	104,4		Aug 2023	88 Albania	3,4	3,4%	Aug 2023
39 Romania	103,6		Sep 2023	89 Slovenia, Rep. of	3,2	8,2%	Sep 2023
40 BIS ²⁾	102,0		Aug 2023	90 Aruba, Kingdom of the Ne	3,1	12,2%	Apr 2023
41 Qatar	98,1	11,6%	Sep 2023	91 Luxembourg	2,2	4,6%	Sep 2023
42 Hungary	94,5		Sep 2023	92 Oman	2,2	0,8%	Feb 2023
43 Australia	79,8	,	Sep 2023	93 Hong Kong SAR	2,1	0,0%	Aug 2023
44 Kuwait	79,0		Aug 2023	94 Iceland	2,0		Sep 2023
45 Indonesia	78,6	,	Aug 2023	95 Papua New Guinea	2,0	5,1%	Jun 2020
46 United Arab Emirates	74,6	,	Aug 2023	96 Trinidad and Tobago	1,9	1,8%	Sep 2023
47 Denmark	66,5	,	Sep 2023	97 Haiti	1,8	4,2%	Jul 2019
48 Pakistan	64,7		Sep 2023	98 Yemen, Republic of	1,6	1,8%	Jul 2014
49 Argentina	61,7		Sep 2023	99 Bosnia and Herzegovina	1,5	1,0%	Aug 2023
50 Belarus, Rep. of ⁴⁾	53,8	40,9%	Sep 2023	100 Suriname	1,5	7,9%	Sep 2023



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Other	Tonnes	reserves**	of
World ⁶⁾	35.821,4	1)	Aug 2023
Euro Area (incl. ECB)	10.771,3	57,5%	Aug 2023
State Oil Fund of the F	101,8	11,0%	Sep 2023

NOTES

- * This table was updated in **November 2023** and reports data available at that time. Data are taken from the Internationa Monetary Fund's International Financial Statistics (IFS), **November 2023** edition, and other sources where applicable. IFS data are two months in arrears, so holdings are as of **September 2023** for most countries, **August 2023** or earlier for late reporters. The table does not list all gold holders: some countries are known to hold gold but they do not report their holdings publicly. Where the WGC knows of movements that are not reported to the IMF or misprints, changes have been made
- **The percentage share held in gold of total foreign reserves, as calculated by the World Gold Council. The value of gold holdings is calculated using the end of month LBMA Gold price published daily by ICE Benchmark Administration. In **September 2023** the end of month gold price was **US\$1870.5/oz**. Data for the value of other reserves are taken from IFS, table 'Total Reserves minus Gold'.
- 1. BIS and IMF balance sheets do not allow this percentage to be calculated. In the case of any countries, up to date data for other reserves are not available
- 2. BIS data are updated each year from the BIS's annual report to reflect the Bank's gold investment assets excluding any gold held in connection with swap operations, under which the Bank exchanges currencies for physical gold. The bank has an obligation to return the gold at the end of the contract.
- 3. West African Economic Monetary Union including the central bank.
- 4. Includes only "Monetary gold" as of February 2014.
- 5. The figure provided is official sector gold reserves, i.e. the sum of central bank owned gold and Treasury gold holdings. This is equivalent to gross gold reserves less all gold held at the central bank in relation to commercial sector gold policies, such as the Reserve Option Mechanism (ROM), collateral, deposits, and swaps. Please see this link for information on this new methodology: https://www.gold.org/download/file/16208/Central-bank-stats-methodology-techincal-adjustments.pdf
- 6. World total as calculated by the IMF. This will not equal the total for the countries in the table as 'World total' will include data for countries beyond the top 100 and for countries that do not publish their reserves. World total also captures BIS holdings inclusive of swap operations (please see footnote 2 above for World Gold Council treatment of BIS holdings).
- 7. In July 2015 The State Bank of Vietnam stated that gold reserves totalled 10 tonnes. This is omitted from our ranking above due to the current absence of any published data.
- 8. SOFAZ accumulates gold in accordance with the amendments made to the Investment Policy of the Fund for the purposes of diversification. Its investment policy was amended in 2019 to extend the gold allocation limit from 5% to 10%, along with maximum upper deviation of 3% (https://www.oilfund.az/storage/images/joqajf7fm8.pdf). Currently, the Central Bank of Azerbaijan does not hold any gold.

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