

## PRESS RELEASE

## RSA GOVERNMENT RETAIL BOND SALES AT R1, 376 BILLION AND PREVAILING INTEREST RATES REMAIN UNCHANGED

Sales of the RSA Government Retail Bond have reached R 1,376 billion since it's launch in May 2004. 16 890 people have invested with a total of 25 138 investments.

The National Treasury, through the Asset and Liability Management Division determines the prevailing interest rates for the 2-year, 3-year and 5-year RSA Government Retail Bonds at the end of each month.

The interest rates are determined by interpolating the equivalent yields of the 2-year, 3-year and 5-year Government Bonds.

## THE PREVAILING INTEREST RATES FOR JUNE 2005 ARE:

2-year Retail Bond: 7.50%3-year Retail Bond: 7.75%5-year Retail Bond: 8.25%

The prevailing interest rates are priced off the government yield curve, and will be changed if the yields of the RSA Government bonds move (negatively or positively) by more than 50 basis points.

The above interest rates are applicable from 1 June 2005 until 30 June 2005.

The retail bond has attracted new as well as the smaller investors. About 51% of the total investments, invested R20 000,00 and less. It is important to note the South Africans from all walks of life have invested in the retail bond.

Visit <a href="www.rsaretailbonds.gov.za">www.rsaretailbonds.gov.za</a> for rate calculators and retail bond information. You can also contact:

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