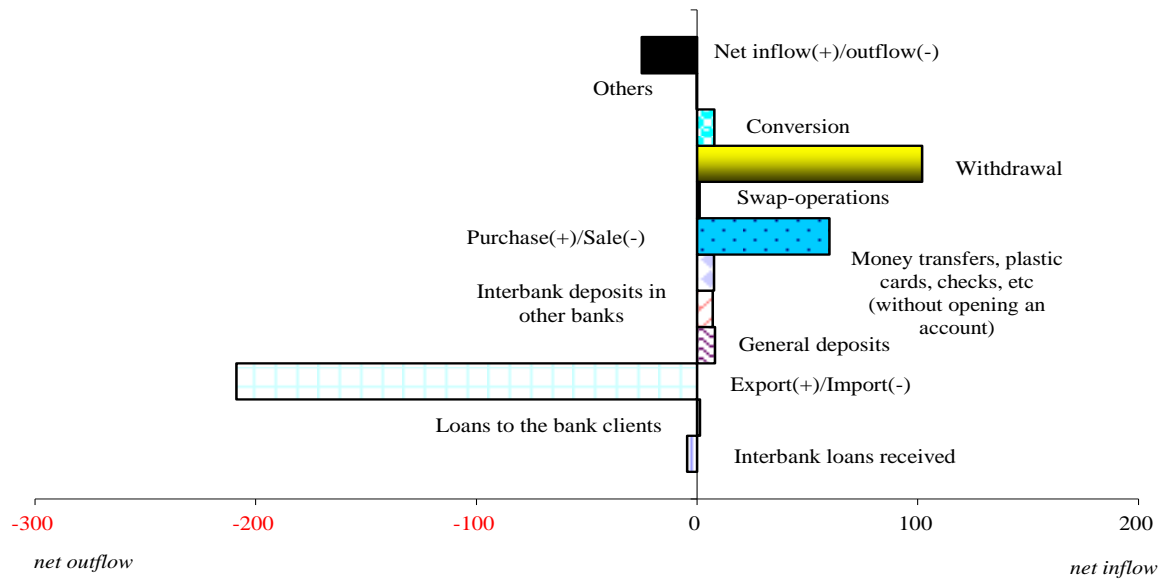


Foreign Exchange Market (January 2015)

**Chart 1. Net Inflow (Outflow) on Non-Cash US Dollars in Commercial Banks
(millions of USD)**

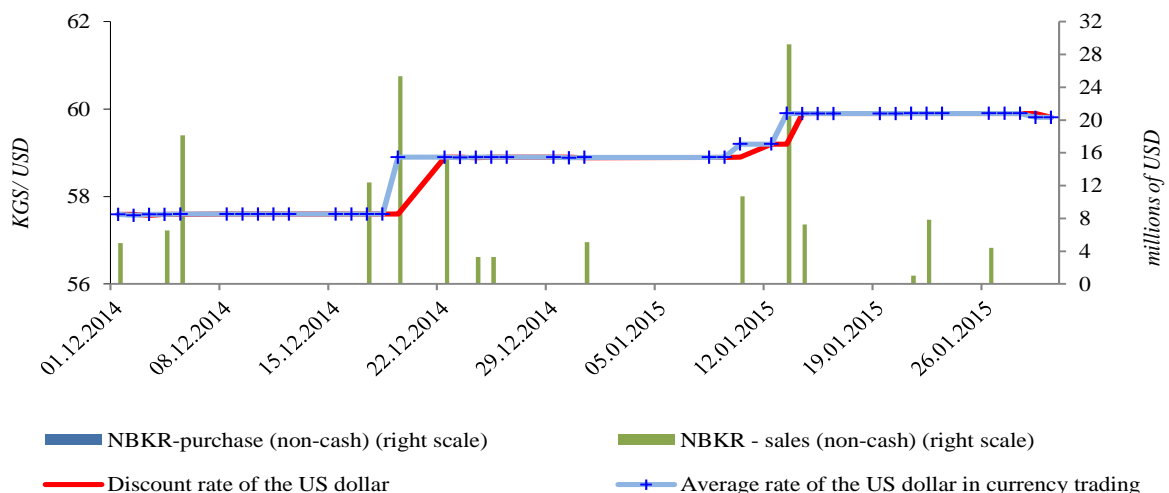


A number of external and internal factors influenced the exchange rate in January of the current year. Global trend of USD strengthening remains among fundamental reasons of KGS weakening. As opposed to the previous month, there was increase in the exchange rate of the US dollar from KGS 58.8865 to 59.8100 per USD. Supply of currency on the background of traditionally high demand on the part of large market participants was primarily supported by means of US dollars, obtained as a result of withdrawal of cash assets and received remittances (Chart 1).

In the reporting period, the total volume of transactions on the purchase and sale of foreign currency decreased in comparison with the same period of the previous month by 55.8 percent and constituted KGS 22.2 billion. The reason was the decrease in business activity in all segments of transactions: in the segment of non-cash transactions of commercial banks – by 70.3 percent, to KGS 4.9 billion, in the segment of cash transactions of exchange offices – to KGS 6.1 billion having decreased by 49.6 percent as compared to the previous month, in the segment of cash transactions of commercial banks – to KGS 11.3 billion (-48.2 percent).

The total turnover of interbank currency trading decreased by 47.1 percent as compared to the previous month and amounted to USD 62.5 million. The National Bank performed interventions in the reporting period by selling foreign currency in the amount of USD 60.5 million (-37.1 percent).

Chart 2. Dynamics of US Dollar Exchange Rate in the Interbank Foreign Exchange Market



In the reporting period, the National Bank did not conduct SWAP operations with commercial banks.

By types of currencies, there was a diverse trend in the volume of transactions. At the same time, the equity ratio of currency in the total volume of transactions was distributed as follows: the share of transactions in KZT decreased by 2.7 percentage points, to 7.0 percent; in USD – by 2.0 percentage points, to 69.1 percent, in EUR – by 1.3 percentage points, to 2.8 percent. The share of transactions in RUB amounted to 21.1 percent having increased by 6.0 percentage points over the month.

Chart 3. Dynamics of the Selling Rate of Non-Cash and Cash US Dollars in Commercial Banks

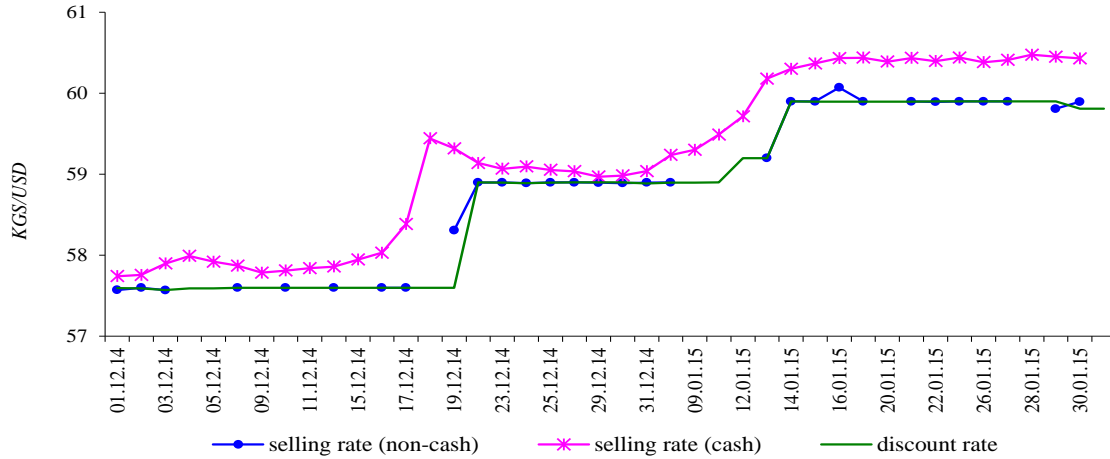


Chart 4. Dynamics of the US Dollar in Exchange Offices

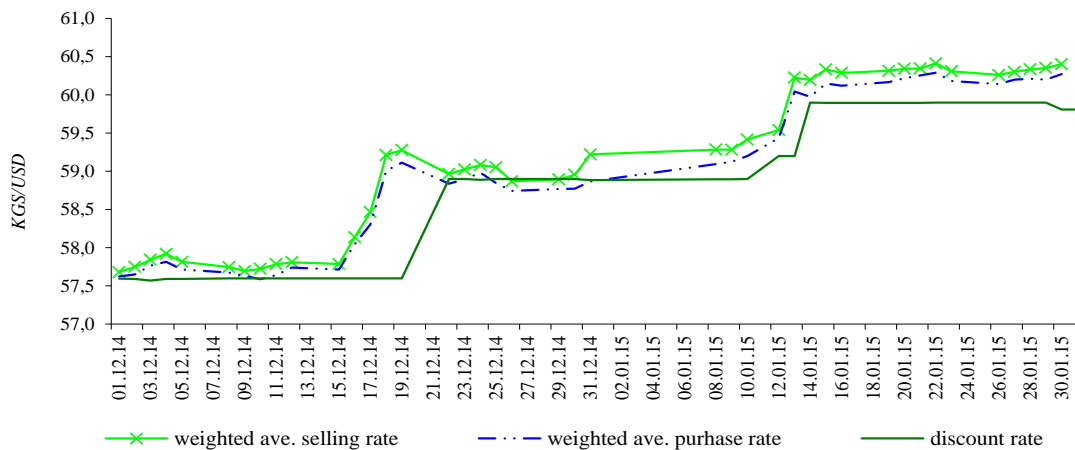


Chart 5. Dynamics of Major Currencies Rates in Exchange Offices, the US Dollar Rates in Exchange Offices and the US Dollar Rates in World Markets

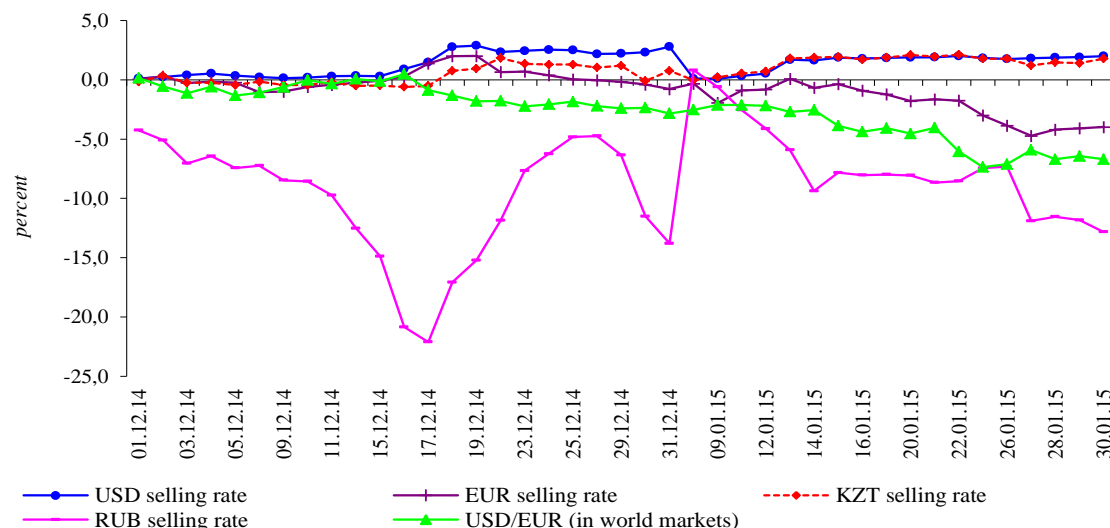


Table 1. Volume of Purchases and Sales of Foreign Exchange Transactions by Type (in KGS Equivalent)
millions of KGS

Period	Total amount of transactions	Non-cash operations of commercial banks		Cash operations of commercial banks		Cash operations of exchange offices		
		Volume of operations	Share (%)	Volume of operations	Share (%)	Volume of operations	Share (%)	
2014	01	24 803,9	2 945,5	12,3	18 519,1	74,7	3 339,2	13,5
	02	30 071,0	7 961,2	11,9	17 994,7	59,8	4 115,0	13,7
	03	45 081,1	8 512,6	26,5	21 763,0	48,3	14 805,5	32,8
	04	46 760,3	8 085,1	17,3	21 670,9	46,3	17 004,3	36,4
	05	47 882,3	6 522,9	13,6	23 511,3	49,1	17 848,1	37,3
	06	53 731,2	8 922,2	16,6	26 024,8	48,4	18 784,2	35,0
	07	52 421,0	10 187,8	19,4	26 195,6	50,0	16 037,6	30,6
	08	62 126,6	11 917,4	19,2	27 774,5	44,7	22 434,7	36,1
	09	57 719,9	8 348,9	14,5	27 483,5	47,6	21 887,5	37,9
	10	73 683,0	11 026,1	15,0	31 622,3	42,9	31 034,6	42,1
	11	48 907,3	8 735,4	17,9	22 393,5	45,8	17 778,5	36,4
	12	50 304,0	16 479,8	32,8	21 729,5	43,2	12 094,7	24,0
2015	01	22 246,6	4 889,3	22,0	11 257,6	50,6	6 099,8	27,4

Table 2. Volume of Purchases and Sales of Foreign Currency by Currency (in KGS Equivalent)
millions of KGS

Period	Total volume of operations	USD		EUR		RUB		KZT		Other		
		Volume	Share	Volume	Share	Volume	Share	Volume	Share	Volume	Share	
2014	01	24 803,9	15 311,8	61,7	746,4	3,0	7 694,2	31,0	1 044,2	4,2	7,3	0,0
	02	30 071,0	21 360,4	71,0	811,7	2,7	6 903,4	23,0	986,6	3,3	8,8	0,0
	03	45 081,1	28 272,0	62,7	704,4	1,6	14 064,5	31,2	2 034,4	4,5	5,9	0,0
	04	46 760,3	28 744,6	61,5	837,9	1,8	15 243,2	32,6	1 925,7	4,1	8,9	0,0
	05	47 882,3	28 093,5	58,7	803,8	1,7	16 273,7	34,0	2 705,4	5,7	6,0	0,0
	06	53 731,2	31 970,2	59,5	856,9	1,6	17 628,7	32,8	3 264,5	6,1	10,9	0,0
	07	52 421,0	32 505,9	62,0	1 011,8	1,9	14 429,8	27,5	4 464,2	8,5	9,3	0,0
	08	62 126,6	38 361,8	61,8	1 095,9	1,8	16 294,3	26,2	6 367,5	10,3	7,2	0,0
	09	57 719,9	34 632,9	60,0	1 329,3	2,3	18 002,5	31,2	3 748,2	6,5	7,1	0,0
	10	73 683,0	45 153,6	61,3	1 178,8	1,6	22 223,8	30,2	5 121,8	7,0	4,9	0,0
	11	48 907,3	31 254,1	63,9	1 065,1	2,2	12 774,7	26,1	3 805,6	7,8	7,9	0,0
	12	50 304,0	35 732,3	71,0	2 086,2	4,2	7 606,4	15,1	4 869,5	9,7	9,6	0,0
2015	01	22 246,6	15 365,7	69,1	629,3	2,8	4 697,4	21,1	1 546,6	7,0	7,6	0,0

Table 3. Data on the Discount Rate of Foreign Currencies to KGS

Period	Discount rate at end of month				Changing the discount rate for the month				
	USD	EUR	RUB	KZT	USD	EUR	RUB	KZT	
2014	01	50,4158	68,6613	1,4304	0,3241	2,4%	1,4%	-4,9%	1,1%
	02	52,4359	71,6379	1,4545	0,2849	4,0%	4,3%	1,7%	-12,1%
	03	54,4813	74,6884	1,3723	0,2993	3,9%	4,3%	-5,7%	5,1%
	04	53,9615	74,8365	1,5116	0,2964	-1,0%	0,2%	10,2%	-1,0%
	05	52,2705	71,1872	1,5086	0,2849	-3,1%	-4,9%	-0,2%	-3,9%
	06	52,0649	70,9098	1,5481	0,2837	-0,4%	-0,4%	2,6%	-0,4%
	07	51,7518	69,3526	1,4485	0,2820	-0,6%	-2,2%	-6,4%	-0,6%
	08	52,9561	69,8517	1,4339	0,2910	2,3%	0,7%	-1,0%	3,2%
	09	54,5202	69,1125	1,3842	0,2997	3,0%	-1,1%	-3,5%	3,0%
	10	57,3484	72,1127	1,3216	0,3171	5,2%	4,3%	-4,5%	5,8%
	11	57,5957	71,6433	1,1677	0,3184	0,4%	-0,7%	-11,6%	0,4%
	12	58,8865	71,6943	1,0467	0,3229	2,2%	0,1%	-10,4%	1,4%
2015	01	59,8100	67,8395	0,8677	0,3243	1,6%	-5,4%	-17,1%	0,4%

Table 4. Data on the Exchange Rate of KGS in the Exchange Offices

Period		Average margin for the month				Average daily deviation of the currency selling rate				Changing the currency selling rate for the month			
		USD	EUR	RUB	KZT	USD	EUR	RUB	KZT	USD	EUR	RUB	KZT
2014	01	0,3%	0,4%	0,7%	0,8%	0,2%	0,2%	0,2%	0,2%	2,0%	1,7%	-3,8%	2,2%
	02	0,4%	0,6%	0,6%	2,3%	0,3%	0,3%	0,3%	0,4%	8,0%	8,5%	4,2%	-9,5%
	03	0,2%	0,6%	0,2%	0,7%	0,1%	0,4%	0,3%	0,3%	0,1%	1,1%	1,9%	1,9%
	04	0,1%	0,4%	0,1%	0,4%	0,0%	0,2%	0,4%	0,1%	-1,2%	-0,5%	-1,3%	-1,1%
	05	0,1%	0,6%	0,2%	0,4%	0,2%	0,3%	0,4%	0,3%	-3,2%	-4,9%	-0,2%	-4,3%
	06	0,1%	0,5%	0,1%	0,4%	0,2%	0,2%	0,3%	0,3%	-0,2%	-0,3%	2,6%	0,0%
	07	0,1%	0,5%	0,3%	0,2%	0,1%	0,1%	0,4%	0,1%	-0,6%	-2,6%	-5,4%	-0,5%
	08	0,1%	0,5%	0,2%	0,2%	0,1%	0,1%	0,3%	0,2%	2,4%	0,8%	-1,5%	2,5%
	09	0,1%	0,4%	0,2%	0,1%	0,1%	0,1%	0,4%	0,3%	2,7%	-0,5%	-3,8%	3,3%
	10	0,1%	0,5%	0,1%	0,3%	0,2%	0,2%	0,4%	0,4%	5,9%	4,4%	-1,4%	6,4%
	11	0,1%	0,6%	0,2%	0,3%	0,1%	0,2%	0,8%	0,2%	0,1%	-1,2%	-13,4%	0,1%
	12	0,2%	0,5%	1,5%	0,3%	0,1%	0,2%	1,5%	0,3%	2,8%	-0,8%	-13,8%	0,8%
2015	01	0,2%	0,8%	1,2%	0,2%	0,1%	0,4%	0,6%	0,2%	2,0%	-4,0%	-12,8%	1,8%