

Bora Research - Weekly Market Report (6 August 21)

WEEKLY MARKET HEADLINES

- **BoG issues mergers and acquisitions directive for banks, SDIs;** This new directive has been set out to ensure that the merger or acquisition does not adversely affect competition and the stability of the financial system. ([BoG](#))
- **Banks see strong growth in their asset base in half year of 2021;** While banks like UBA experienced almost 40% growth in their asset base, others like FBN Bank and Fidelity Bank, realized about 5% growth between June 2020 and June 2021. ([CitiBusiness](#))
- **Ghana Stock Exchange records GH¢23.4m net profit despite COVID-19;** The Exchange recorded a net profit of GH¢ 23.46M, the highest in its history, compared to GH¢ 8.43M in 2019. ([GhanaBusiness](#))

FIXED INCOME MARKET

- GoG securities were oversubscribed by 17% as Auction 1758 raised GH¢1.28bn against a target of GH¢1.01bn making up for the shortfall in the previous auction.

GoG Fixed Income Rates

Instrument	06 Aug 21	30 Jul 21	WoW Δ	YTD Δ
91 Day	12.52	12.55	▼ -0.21%	▼ -11.20%
182 Day	13.31	13.37	▼ -0.48%	▼ -5.96%
364 Day	16.29	-	-	▼ -6.76%

Bora Purchase Rates for Client

Instruments	Min. Yield (%)	Max. Yield (%)
Under 182 Days	15.20	22.00
Up-to 1 Year	17.20	20.25
1- 3 Years	16.50	17.25
Over 3 Years	18.20	19.60

EQUITIES MARKET

- The GSE Composite Index inched up marginally by ▲0.9% as against ▲2.5% in the previous week;
- Value and volume of trades experienced a decline compares to the previous week with MTN shares dominating both volume and value traded;
- UNIL (▲20.9% GH¢2.66) experienced the biggest price increase whereas CPC (▼33.3% GH¢0.02) experienced the largest price decline within the week.

UPCOMING EVENTS

 BoG Fx Forward Auction No. 0047 | 10th August, 2021

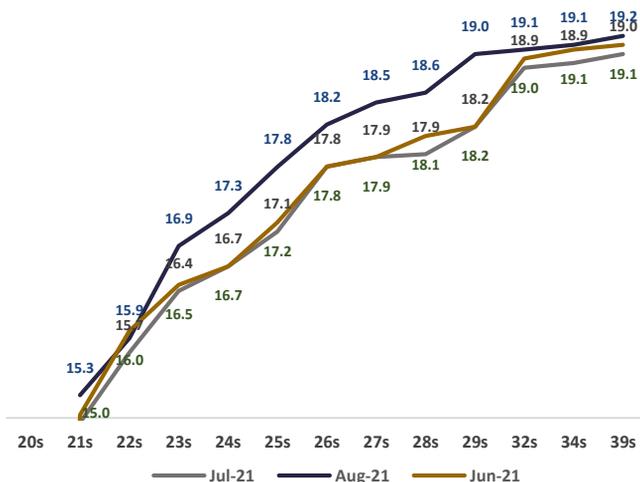
* **WoW** – week on week **MoM** – month on month **YTD** – year-to-date

KEY ECONOMIC INDICATORS



TREASURY YIELD CURVE

- Rates on the secondary bond market are beginning to inch up particularly on the long-term maturities as yields are closing up with coupon rates.



COMMODITIES AND CURRENCIES

- Oil prices were steady during the week but headed for a steep weekly decline probably as a result of the impact on fuel demand from travel restrictions to curb the spread of the Delta variant of COVID-19.



QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"Successful investing is about managing risk, not avoiding it" — Benjamin Graham."