

WEEKLY FIXED INCOME REPORT

July 2026 Remittance Inflows Surge 16.2%

MONEY MARKET STATISTICS

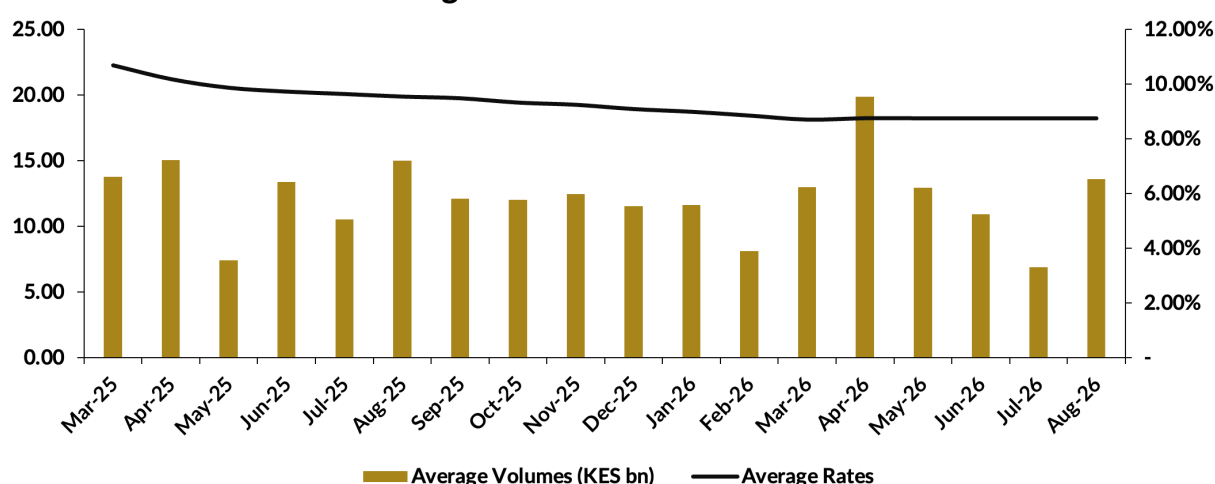
Liquidity conditions remained stable in the week, with the Kenya Shilling Overnight Interbank Average (KESONIA) closing at an average of 8.75%. Interbank lending decreased by 6% in the week, with average traded volumes coming in at KES 18Bn from last week's KES 19Bn. Notably, the interbank deals decreased by 6% to close the week at 23, compared to the 25 recorded in the previous week.

Find the summary below:

Average	Previous Week - 13th August	Current Week - ended 20th August 2026	Change
Interbank Deals (Total)	25.00	23.00	(8.00%)
Inter- Bank volumes (KES bn)	18.80	17.65	(6.14%)
KESONIA (bps)	8.75%	8.75%	0.00

Source: Central Bank of Kenya (CBK), Table: SIB

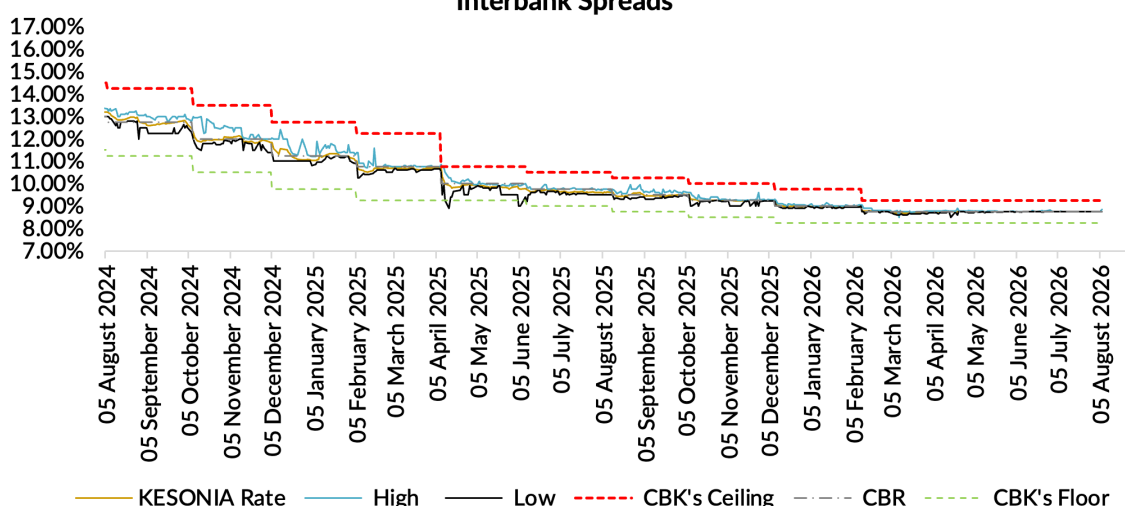
Average Interbank Rates & Volumes



Source: Central Bank of Kenya (CBK), Chart: SIB

The weighted average interbank rate (KESONIA) continues to track the Central Bank Rate (CBR) closely, underscoring the stability and effectiveness of the monetary policy framework:

Interbank Spreads



Source: Central Bank of Kenya (CBK), Chart: SIB

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES MARKET

T-Bills:

Treasury Bill demand remained steady this week, with Investors submitting bids totalling KES 71.65Bn, of which the fiscal agent accepted KES 57.63Bn resulting in the subscription rate of 80% and a performance rate of 256% lower than the subscription rate of 91%, recorded the previous week.

The 91-day Treasury Bill remained the most attractive debt instrument, registering a staggering performance rate of 471%. The auction received KES 38Bn in bids compared to the KES 8.0Bn on offer.

Below is a visual summary;

KES Bn

23-Aug-26	91-day	182-day	364-day	Totals
	22-Nov-26	21-Feb-27	22-Aug-27	
Amount offered	8.00	10.00	10.00	28.00
Bids received	37,674.42	18,571.64	15,405.95	71,652.01
Bids Accepted	32,439.12	9,784.11	15,405.95	57,629.18
Subscription rate (%)	86.10%	52.68%	100.00%	80.43%
Performance rate (%)	470.93%	185.72%	154.06%	255.90%
Rollover/Redemptions	12,164.50	11,675.00	8,034.65	31,874.15
New Borrowing/(Net Repayment)	20,274.62	-1,890.89	7,371.30	25,755.03
Weighted Average Rate of Accepted Bids	8.77%	8.95%	9.04%	
Inflation	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%	
Real Return	2.3%	2.4%	2.5%	

Source: Central Bank of Kenya (CBK), Table: SIB

T-Bonds CBK Deploys Sixth 2026 Switch to Extend Maturity Profile

The Central Bank of Kenya (CBK) has initiated a voluntary KES 15Bn debt switch auction—marking its third Treasury bill-to-bond switch on record and sixth overall switch in 2026—signalling a strategic pivot toward using liability management tools as active domestic debt management instruments.

The operation allows investors to convert three short-term Treasury bills maturing concurrently on 7 September 2026 (91-day #2685/091, 182-day #2646/182, and 364-day #2574/364) alongside a 2027 paper (FXD1/2012/015, 11.00% coupon) into FXD4/2019/010, a 12.28% coupon bond maturing on 12 November 2029.

By targeting 22.4% of the KES 67.07Bn originally accepted across the three source bills—which initially saw massive investor demand, including an 820.68% performance rate on the 91-day paper—the National Treasury aims to push immediate refinancing pressure out by over three years. With settlement set for 26 August 2026, just 12 days ahead of the concentrated bill maturity wall, the switch effectively extends government debt duration while replacing short-dated weighted average yields of ~8.68% with a long-term fixed obligation

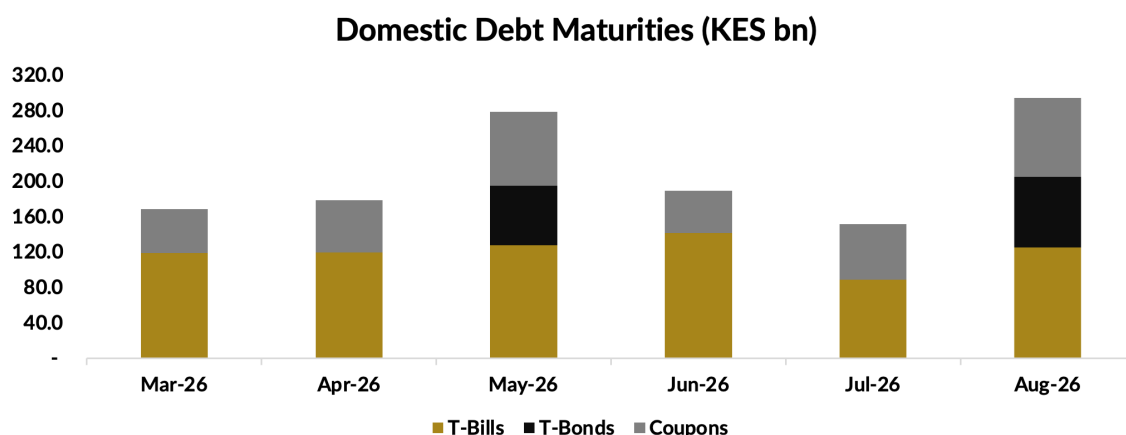
	SWITCH OFFER	T-Bills.			
Issue	FXD1/2012/15 - Source Bond	2685/091	2464/182	2574/364	FXD4/2019/010- Destination Bond
Tenor to Maturity	1.03 Yrs	0.03 Yrs	0.03 Yrs	0.03 Yrs	3.23 Yrs
Coupon Rate	11.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	12.28%
Offered Amount	KES 15Bn				
Period of Sale	30th July 2026 to 24th August 2026				
Value Date	24th August 2026				
Minimum Bidding Amount	KES 50,000.00				
Taxation	10.00%				

Source: Central Bank of Kenya (CBK), Table: SIB

Looking at secondary bond market turnover, the quantum increased to KES 122Bn (+146%w/w) from KES 50Bn in the prior week. Month on Month, bond turnover decreased by 17.73% to KES 202Bn in July from KES 246Bn in June 2026.

Outstanding Debt Maturities (T-Bills and T-Bonds):

Total domestic debt maturities in August 2026 are at KES 294Bn compared to KES 152Bn in July 2026. See the chart below;



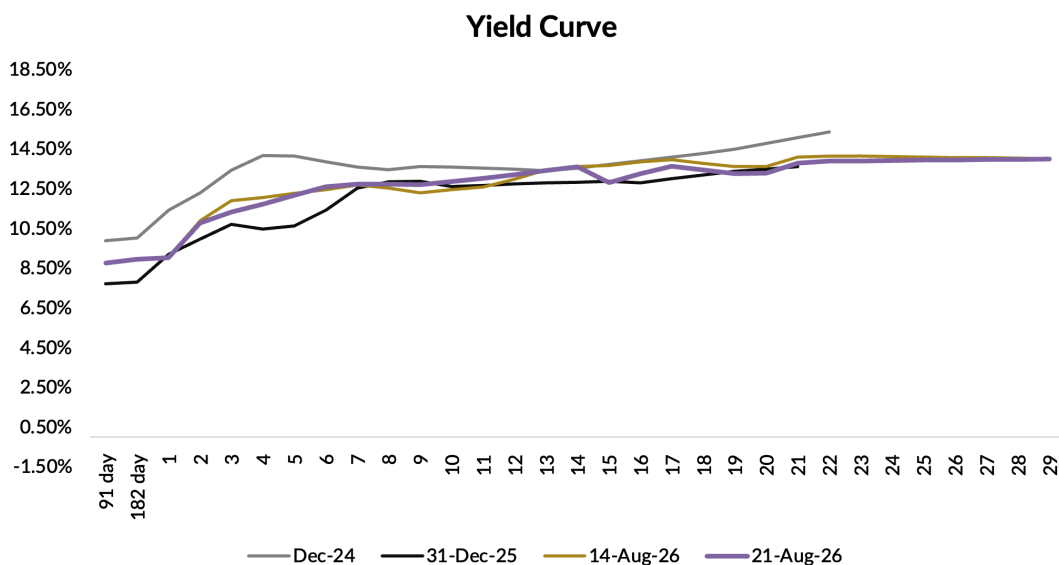
Source: Nairobi Securities Exchange (NSE), Chart: SIB

Yield Curve

Local interest rates were largely stable during the week, with average government securities yields inching slightly lower by c.0.0115% w/w.

With the government expected to lean heavily on the domestic market to plug its budget deficits, borrowing demands will stay high, keeping consistent upward pressure on local yields over the medium term despite high liquidity conditions.

Below is a visual representation;



Source: Central Bank of Kenya (CBK), Chart: SIB

THE INTERNATIONAL SCENE

Weekly Insight: Cooling US Inflation, Dollar Weakness, and Rising Oil Shapes Global Markets

Global macroeconomic conditions were defined by a shift toward softer U.S. economic metrics alongside cautious central bank positioning. U.S. headline CPI eased slightly to 3.4% year-on-year (0.1% month-on-month), while wholesale inflation via the PPI registered cooler-than-expected gains. Concurrently, U.S. retail sales declined 0.6% in July—marking the first monthly contraction in nine months—suggesting consumer spending momentum is slowing. These softer prints, paired with the release of the latest Federal Reserve meeting minutes, led money markets to increase the implied probability of a Fed interest rate hold to ~69%, reducing short-term expectations for further rate hikes.

Geopolitical Friction & Commodity Supply Pressures

Geopolitical developments in the Middle East continued to generate systemic risk premiums across energy and bulk commodity channels. A resurgence in maritime security concerns—marked by tanker incidents near the Strait of Hormuz and stalled bilateral diplomatic talks—restricted commercial vessel passage and inflated shipping transit insurance. The renewed geopolitical friction pushed crude benchmarks sharply higher, with UK Brent Crude surging 7.5% to \$88.46 per barrel and U.S. WTI Crude rising 6.7% to \$82.34 per barrel. Meanwhile, persistent safe-haven demand lifted spot Gold above \$4,400 per ounce.

Foreign Exchange Dynamics & Dollar Weakness

Foreign exchange markets were characterized by broad-based U.S. Dollar weakness following the cooler macroeconomic releases. The EUR/USD pair rallied to multi-month highs near 1.1585–1.1600, while the GBP/USD pair advanced toward 1.3560, supported by solid UK GDP growth data of 0.4% quarter-on-quarter. Meanwhile, the USD/JPY exchange rate consolidated around the 158.90–159.00 corridor, with the Yen stabilizing following the prior week's official currency interventions as the market turned its focus toward upcoming central bank commentary.

Kenyan Eurobonds

Yields on Kenyan Eurobonds exhibited signs of volatility, with rates decreasing by an average of c.0.075% for the week dated 14th August 2026 to 20th August 2026, partly linked to the ongoing volatility in international markets. The table below summarizes the performance across maturities:

	KENINT 02/28/2028 10-Year 2028	KENINT 02/16/2031 6-Year 2031	KENINT 05/22/2032 12-Year 2032	KENINT 01/23/2034 13-Year 2034	KENINT 02/28/2048 30-Year 2048
Issuance Maturity Date Tenor to Maturity	28-Feb-28 1.6	16-Feb-31 4.6	22-May-32 5.8	1-Jun-34 7.9	28-Feb-48 21.6
31-Dec-25	6.0%	7.1%	7.2%	7.8%	9.3%
14-Aug-26	6.6%	7.3%	7.5%	8.0%	8.9%
17-Aug-26	6.6%	7.4%	7.6%	8.0%	9.0%
18-Aug-26	6.7%	7.4%	7.6%	8.1%	9.0%
19-Aug-26	6.6%	7.4%	7.5%	8.0%	9.0%
20-Aug-26	6.6%	7.4%	7.6%	8.1%	9.0%
Weekly Change	0.055%	(0.106%)	(0.066%)	(0.127%)	(0.130%)
YTD Change	0.5%	0.3%	0.4%	0.3%	(0.2%)

Source: Central Bank of Kenya (CBK), Chart: SIB

Currency Performance

The Kenyan Shilling displayed mixed week-over-week (w/w) performance against major global and regional currencies. Against global majors, the Shilling weakened against most counters, depreciating by (1.4%) against the Euro (EUR/KES), (1.2%) against the British Pound (GBP/KES), (0.5%) against the Japanese Yen (JPY/KES), and (0.2%) against the U.S. Dollar (USD/KES). Regionally, performance was similarly mixed: the Shilling gained 0.1% against the Tanzanian Shilling (KES/TZX), while weakening slightly by (0.1%) against the Ugandan Shilling (KES/UGX).

The U.S. Dollar index weakened by 0.4% during the week.

Murban crude oil prices increased to USD 79.29 per barrel on August 13, up from USD 72.54 per barrel on August 6, driven by heightened uncertainties arising from the conflict in the Middle East during the week. Spot gold prices increased to USD 4,350.16 per ounce from USD 4,239.23 per ounce in the previous week.

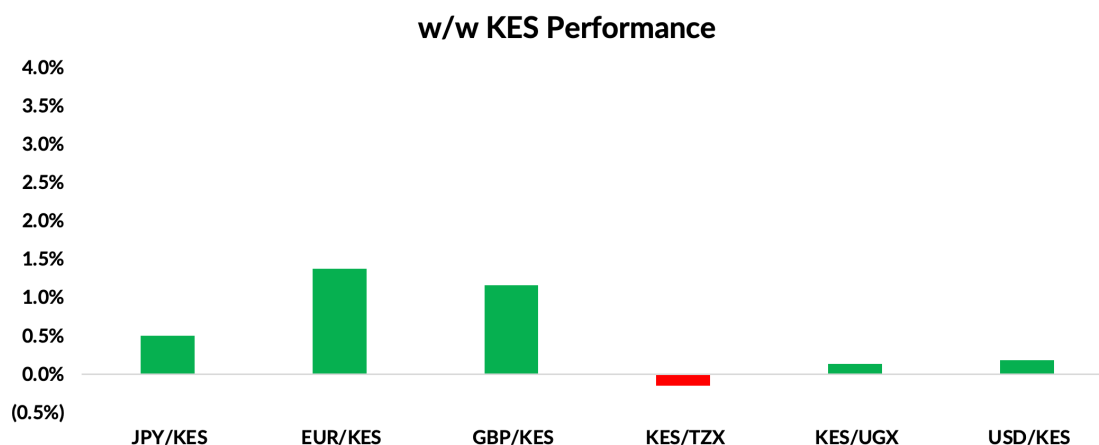
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Currencies	31 Dec 2025 (vs KES)	Previous	Current	w/w Change	YTD change
GBP/KES	173.65	174.45	176.48	1.2%	1.6%
EUR/KES	151.43	149.15	151.20	1.4%	(0.1%)
KES/TZX	19.03	20.46	20.43	(0.1%)	7.4%
KES/UGX	28.06	28.70	28.74	0.1%	2.4%
JPY/KES	82.39	81.12	81.53	0.5%	(1.0%)
USD/KES	129.01	129.23	129.47	0.2%	0.4%

Source: Central Bank of Kenya (CBK), Chart: SIB

Abb: GBP – British Pound, EUR – Euro, USD – US Dollar, UGX – Ugandan Shilling, TZS – Tanzanian Shilling, JPY – Japanese Yen | FX rate is determined by calculating the weighted average rate of recorded spot trades in the interbank market

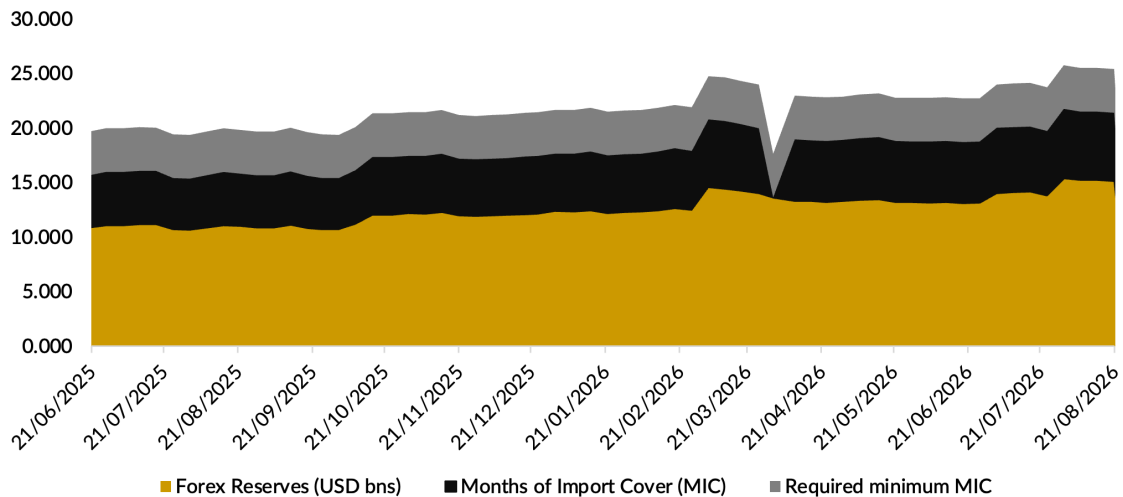
See also a visual representation;



Source: Central Bank of Kenya (CBK), Chart: SIB

Kenya's foreign exchange reserves decreased by -0.6% to close at USD 15.16bn, with import cover closing at 6.3 months. See the chart below for a visual summary.

Import Cover by Forex Reserves



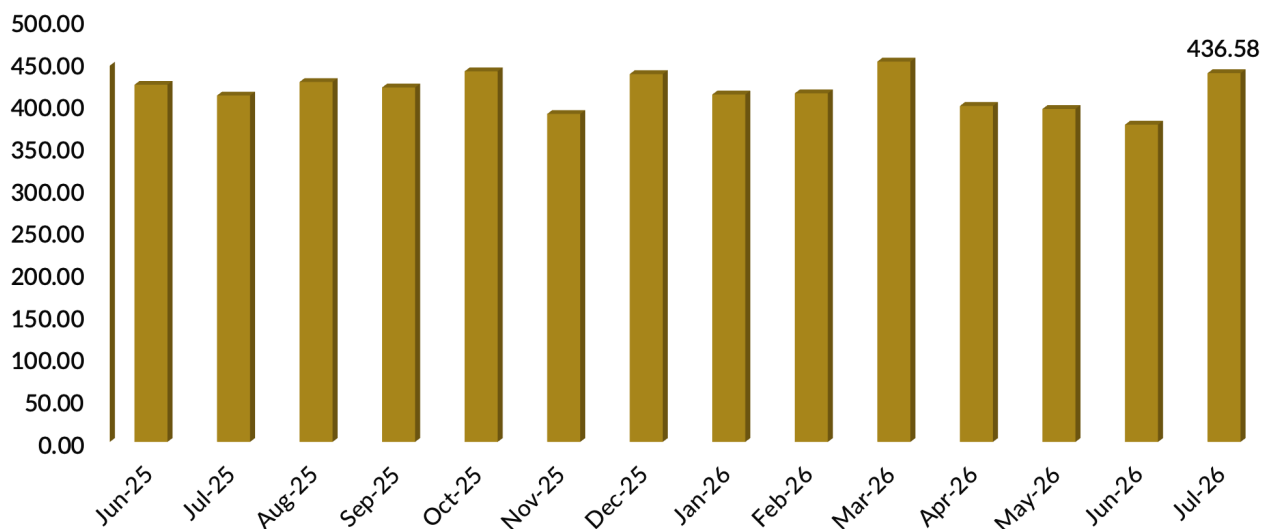
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July 2026 Remittance Inflows Surge 16.2%

Diaspora remittance inflows to Kenya experienced a sharp rebound in July 2026, reaching USD 437Mn—a 16.2% month-on-month increase from the USD 376Mn recorded in June 2026. This significant expansion was driven by stronger inflows originating from major source markets.

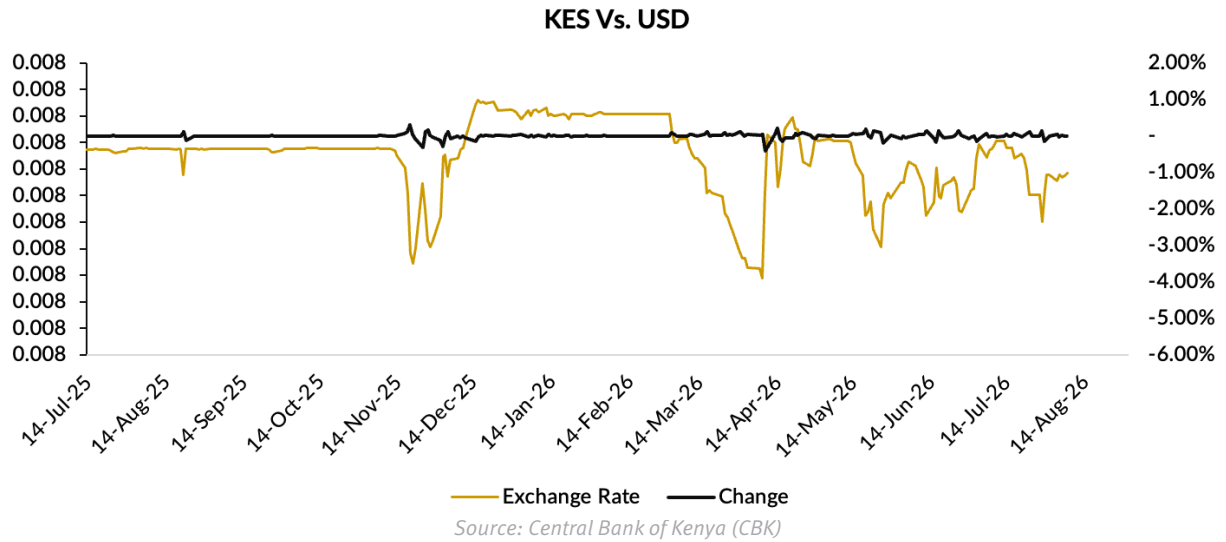
Despite this monthly surge, 12-month cumulative inflows through July 2026 edged down by 1.8% to USD 4,987Mn, compared to USD 5,080Mn over the same period in 2025. Nevertheless, diaspora remittances continue to serve as a vital source of foreign exchange for the country, providing critical support to Kenya's balance of payments and broader currency stability.

Diaspora Remittances (USD mn)

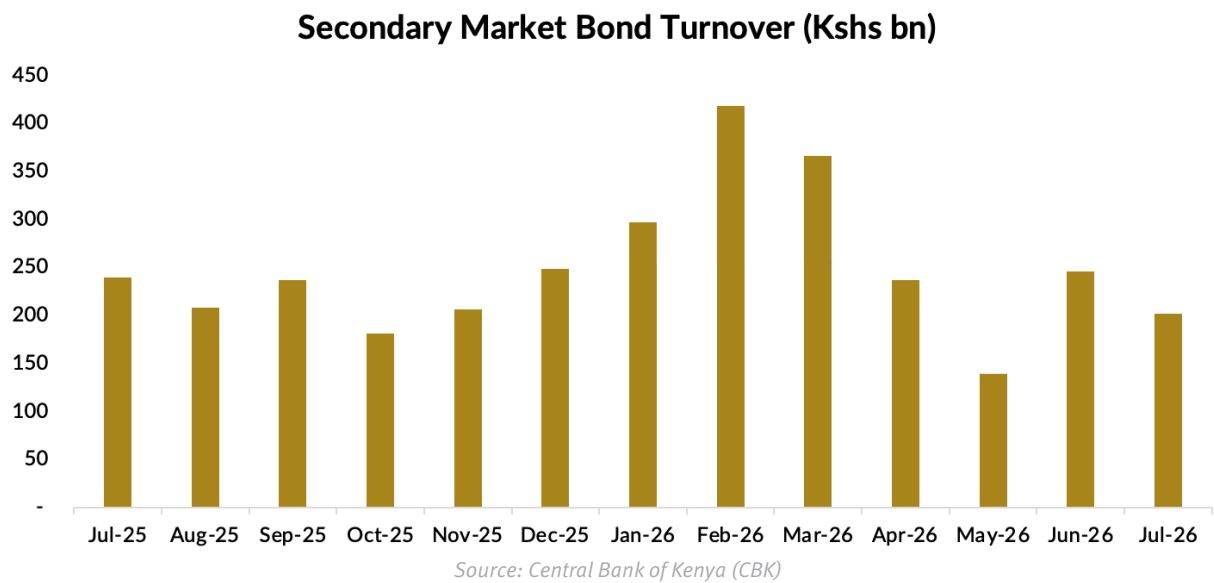


BACKGROUND CHARTS

KES/USD Performance

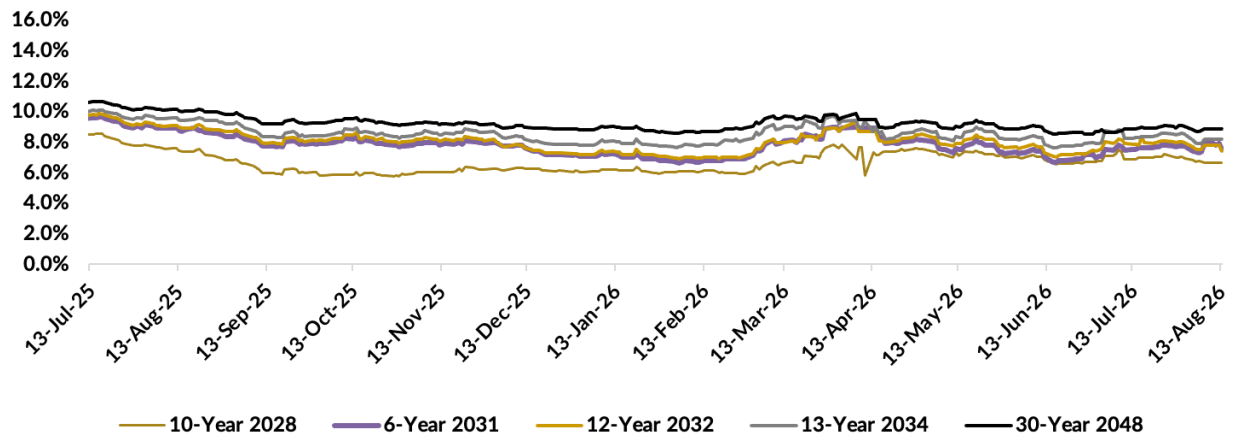


Bond Turnover



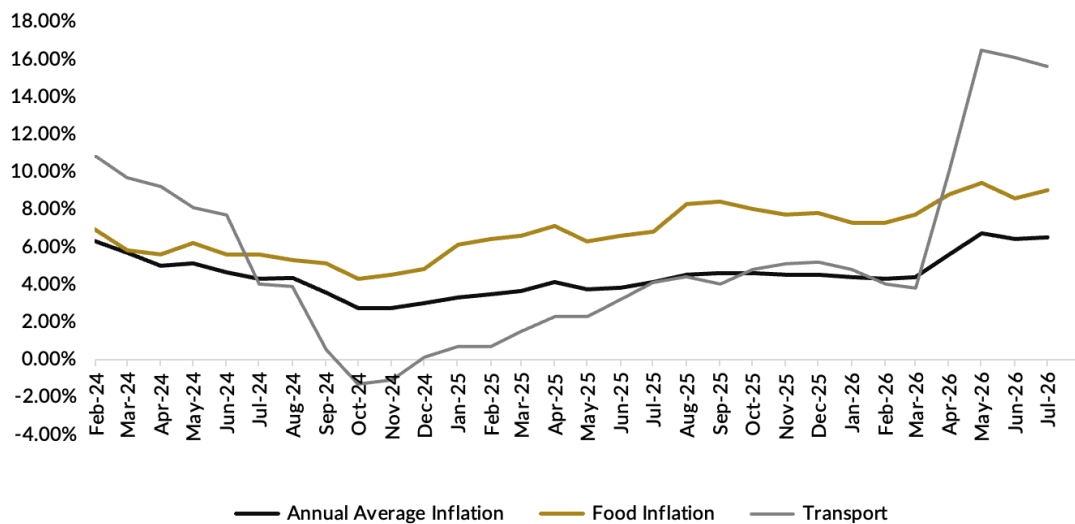
Kenyan Eurobonds

Kenya Eurobond Yields



Source: Central Bank of Kenya (CBK)

Food, Transport vs Headline Inflation



Source: Central Bank of Kenya (CBK), Chart: SIB

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