

**Regulatory
Developments**

PBC Decides to Cut Required Reserve Ratio for All Financial Institutions and to Provide Targeted Required Reserve Ratio Cut for Selected Institutions

The PBC has decided to cut the RMB deposit required reserve ratio for financial institutions by 0.5 percentage points, effective from February 5, 2015. Furthermore, in order to enhance the capacity of financial institutions to support structural adjustment, and to beef up support to small and micro enterprises, the agricultural sector, rural area and farmer, and major water conservancy projects, the PBC has decided to cut the RMB deposit required reserve ratio for city commercial banks and non-county level rural commercial banks that have met the standards of targeted required reserve reduction by an additional 0.5 percentage points, and cut the required reserve ratio for the Agricultural Development Bank of China by an additional 4 percentage points.

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PBC releases 2014 social financing statistics by regions

Recently, the People's Bank of China (PBC) released 2014 social financing scale statistics for 31 provinces, municipalities and autonomous regions in China. In terms of regional total social financing scale, Jiangsu, Guangdong and Beijing were the top three on the list. In terms of total corporate credit bond financing, Beijing, Jiangsu and Shandong were the top three on the list.

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PBC Shanghai Headquarters issues Circular on Cross-Border Renminbi Settlement Business of Banks in Shanghai in December 2014

Since 2014, 84 out of 88 banks using RMB Cross-border Receipt and Payment Management Information System (RCPMIS) in Shanghai submitted the status of cross-border renminbi settlement business, up by 1 bank from the previous month. Total business volume was 1.9075 trillion yuan in 2014, with an increase of 239.6 billion yuan in December.

In terms of annual business volume in 2014, Bank of China was the No. 1 with 337 billion yuan. China Construction Bank and HSBC also had outstanding performance with 300.3 billion yuan and 218.4 billion yuan, respectively. In terms of monthly

business volume, Bank of China was also the top 1 with 68.7 billion yuan, followed by China Construction Bank with 34 billion yuan, and Industrial and Commercial Bank of China with 23.5 billion yuan.

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