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Can Central Bank Digital Currencies be green and sustainable?

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Supplementary

Annex

Table A.1. Dataset jurisdictions where retail CBDC is being explored, total reserves, Environmental Performance Index, electricity prices for businesses and households, renewable electricity production and CO₂ emissions.

Jurisdictions	Country/jurisdiction/monetary	Total reserves	Environmental	Electricity	Renewable	CO ₂	Electricity
Where	area	(including	Performance	prices for	electricity	Emissions	prices for
Retail		gold, in U.S.	Index	businesses	production	(metric	households
CBDC Is		dollar at		(kW/h, in	(% of total	tons per	(kW/h, in
Being		current prices)		U.S.	electricity	capita)	U.S.
Explored				dollar)	production)		dollar)
Where	Bahamas	2609.42	56.2	0.301	0	6	0.31
central	China	3306839.41	28.4	0.088	23.93	7.8	0.076
banks (CBs)	Eastern Caribbean	1681.89	50.82	0.053	6.36	2.9	0.052
have	Ghana	9916.92	27.7	0.09	50.89	0.6	0.073
launched or	India	576298.15	18.9	0.117	15.34	1.6	0.078
piloted (or	Jamaica	4520.48	45.6	0.284	10.26	2.1	0.327
soon will)	Nigeria	35563.95	28.3	0.048	18.2	0.5	0.03
	Uruguay	15126.76	37.4	0.119	88.56	1.9	0.249

Where CBs have performed proofs of concepts or prototypes (or soon will)	Bahrain	4774.9	42	0.077	0	22	0.048
	Bhutan	976.26	42.5	0.02	99.99	1.3	0.015
	Brazil	324673.45	43.6	0.148	73.97	1.9	0.168
	Euro Area	1184866.32	61.9	0.457	28.72	5.5	0.47
	Hong Kong	424025.43	28.4	0.175	0.28	7.8	0.183
	Hungary	41218.69	55.1	0.383	10.58	4.6	0.111
	Iran	7685.46	34.5	0.046	5.1	7.1	0.002
	Israel	194231.43	48.2	0.172	1.89	6.3	0.165
	Japan	1227573.26	57.2	0.234	15.98	8	0.243
	Kazakhstan	35076.05	40.9	0.063	8.87	11.3	0.047
	Korea	423365.99	46.9	0.099	72.8	11	0.109
	Laos	1216.46	30.7	0.102	86.37	2.6	0.031
	New Zealand	14399.55	56.7	0.296	80.08	6.2	0.186
	Norway	72077.38	59.3	0.205	97.71	6.7	0.189
	Russia	581709.96	37.5	0.076	15.86	11.2	0.052
	Sweden	64288.79	72.7	0.205	63.26	3.2	0.433
Thailand	216500.53	38.1	0.139	8.54	3.7	0.141	
Turkey	123735.14	26.3	0.189	31.96	4.8	0.081	
Ukraine	28505.93	49.6	0.108	4.38	3.8	0.039	
United States	706644.22	51.1	0.146	13.23	13	0.174	
Where CBs are in advanced stages of research and development	Australia	56701.9	60.1	0.296	13.64	14.8	0.234
	Canada	106952.38	50	0.1	63.01	13.6	0.123
	Indonesia	137222.36	28.2	0.073	16.25	2.1	0.095
	Singapore	296628.74	50.9	0.315	1.82	7.7	0.236
	Mauritius	7792.81	44.8	0.118	22.72	2.9	0.132
United Kingdom	176409.97	77.7	0.449	24.84	4.6	0.493	

Source: own elaboration based on data from many sources (Atlantic Council, 2023; Auer et al., 2020; Kiff, 2023; Mikhalev et al., 2023; University of Yale, 2023; Globalpetrolprices, 2023a; Globalpetrolprices, 2023b; The World Bank, 2023a; The World Bank, 2023b).

Table A.2. Descriptive statistics.

	N	Minimum	Maximum	Average	Standard deviation	Variance	Skewness	Kurtosis
Statistician								
Total reserves (including gold, in U.S. dollar at current prices)	34	976.26	3306839.41	306229.7 159	616919.8 3969	38059008 8601.474	3.859	17.422
Environmental Performance Index	34	18.90	77.70	44.9476	13.69240	187.482	0.272	0.157
Electricity prices for businesses (kWh, U.S. dollar)	34	0.020	0.457	0.17032	0.115720	0.013	1.048	0.353
Renewable electricity production (% of total electricity production)	34	.00	99.99	31.6291	32.23611	1039.167	.970	-0.548
CO2 emissions (metric tons per capita)	34	.5	22.0	6.209	4.7778	22.827	1.360	2.253
Electricity prices for households, (kWh, U.S. dollar)	34	.002	.493	.15868	.128202	.016	1.193	.961
N valid (per list)	34							

Source: Own elaboration based on data from Table A.1 and analyzed using IBM SPSS Statistics 28.

Table A.3. Residual statistics.

	Minimum	Maximum	Average	Standard deviation	N
Predicted value	28.6164	70.3548	44.9476	10.67464	34
Residual	-16.90876	19.89273	.00000	8.57519	34
Predicted value	-1.530	2.380	.000	1.000	34
Residual deviation	-1.848	2.175	.000	.937	34

Source: own elaboration based on data from Table A.1 and analyzed using IBM SPSS Statistics 28.

Table A.4. Ranking % of total CBDCs that could be considered “green” by jurisdiction, from highest to lowest.

Country/jurisdiction/monetary area	% of total reserves considered “green” after model application	Total reserves considered “green” after model application (including gold, in USD at current prices)
Euro Area	70.36	83367877.94
United Kingdom	70.33	12407482.11
Sweden	60.71	3903161.51
Australia	58.46	3314876.09
Bahamas	54.88	143206.59
New Zealand	54.21	780551.34
Norway	53.00	3819950.71
Jamaica	52.97	239443.26
Singapore	52.86	15681108.37
Japan	51.79	63580156.06
Uruguay	48.92	740029.04
United States	48.82	34497137.02
Canada	48.71	5209609.36
Hungary	46.77	1927861.40
Korea	46.65	19752100.89
Bahrain	45.76	218492.99
Hong Kong	45.31	19211909.98
Brazil	44.51	14452690.58
Israel	43.22	8393849.54
Turkey	40.40	4998367.72
Thailand	39.32	8513296.84
Russia	38.80	22567519.34
Mauritius	38.57	300584.13
China	38.45	127155316.50
Kazakhstan	37.65	1320701.22
Laos	37.15	45190.46
Ghana	34.81	345219.15
India	34.12	19665144.52
Indonesia	34.00	4665562.02
Bhutan	33.55	32754.46
Ukraine	32.63	930216.80
Iran	31.18	239619.35
Eastern Caribbean Central Bank	30.93	52018.03
Nigeria	28.62	1017840.53

Source: own elaboration based on data from Table A.1 and analyzed using IBM SPSS Statistics 28.



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