**Working Paper Clio Infra: Exchange Rates US**

1. Title

- Exchange Rates US Database CLIO-INFRA

2. Author(s)

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3. Production date

- November 27, 2014

4. Version

- Version 2.0

5. Variable group(s)

- Finance

6. Variable(s)

- Exchange rates to one unit of currency of the US (yearly averages).

7. Unit of analysis

- Country

8. Keywords (5)

- exchange rates, US , finance, world

9. Abstract (200 words)

- This paper is supplement to the database on exchange rates in light of the clio infra

project. It specifies the sources of the data.

10. Time period

- 1789-2013

11. Geographical coverage

- World

12. Methodologies used for data collection and processing

- Collecting cross-country data on exchange rates from the following sources:

- Denzel, M.A. (2010). *Handbook of World Exchange Rates, 1590-1914*. Farnham,

England: Ashgate.

- Schneider, J., Schwarzer, O., & Denzel, M.A. (Hg.) (1994-1997). *Währungen der*

*Welt*. Stuttgart: Steiner.

- IMF (1952-2013). *International Financial Statistics*. Washington: IMF.

13. Data quality (multiple possibilities)

- Indication of the quality of the data based on the following categories:

i. Central statistical agencies

- Data are the result of work of central statistical agencies.

ii. Historical reconstructions

- Data are the result of historical reconstructions making use of the

methods and the broad range of data that are also used by central statistical agencies.

14. Period of collection

- March 1, 2014 – November 27, 2014

15. Data collectors

- Reinoud Bosch, International Institute of Social History

16. Sources

- Denzel, M.A. (2010). *Handbook of World Exchange Rates, 1590-1914*. Farnham, England:

Ashgate.

- Schneider, J., Schwarzer, O., & Denzel, M.A. (Hg.) (1994-1997). *Währungen der Welt*.

Stuttgart: Steiner.

- IMF. *International Financial Statistics*. Washington: IMF. Various years.

17. Text

This study was carried out within the framework of the clio infra project financed by the Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research (NWO). The exchange rate tells us something about the financial health of a country/region and can be an indirect signifier of its international competitiveness.

The exact sources are as follows:

D = Denzel

WW = Währungen der Welt

IFS = International Financial Statistics

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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | **Europe** |  | | ***Western Europe*** |  | | Austria | 1900-1914 (D, Trieste on New York),  1915-1917, 1920-1935 (WW, Wien on New York), 1936-1938 (WW, Wien on New York, Kabeltransfer), 1946-1951 (WW, Wien on New York), 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Belgium | 1854-1855, 1857-1859, 1862-1880 (D, New York on Antwerp), 1919-1940, 1945-1951 (WW, New York on Antwerp), 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Federal Republic of Germany (until 1990) | 1949-1951 (WW, Frankfurt on New York), 1952-1989 (IFS) | | France | 1792-1794 (D, Philadelphia on Paris), 1815-1914 (D, New York on Paris), 1915-1940, 1945-1951 (WW, New York on Paris),  1952-2013 (IFS) | | German Democratic Republic (until 1990) |  | | Germany | 1794-1797, 1799-1800, 1802-1810, 1816-1817, 1819-1821, 1826 (D, Philadelphia on Hamburg), 1832-1880 (D, New York on Hamburg), 1881-1914 (D, New York on Germany), 1915-1917, 1919-1941 (WW, New York on Germany), 1990-2013 (IFS) | | Liechtenstein |  | | Luxembourg | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Monaco |  | | Netherlands | 1792-1800, 1802-1809 (D, Philadelphia on Amsterdam), 1815-1854, 1856-1914 (D, New York on Amsterdam), 1915-1940, 1945-1951 (WW, New York on Amsterdam), 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Switzerland | 1857-1858, 1862-1880 (D, New York on Zürich & Basle), 1890, 1898-1914 (D, Zürich on New York), 1915-1932 (WW, Zürich on New York), 1933 (WW, Zürich on New York, Kabeltransfer), 1934-1951 (WW, Zürich on New York), 1952-2013 (IFS) | |  |  | | ***Northern Europe*** |  | | Åland Islands |  | | Channel Islands |  | | Denmark | 1899-1914 (D, London on New York), 1915-1940, 1946-1951 (WW, New York on Copenhagen), 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Estonia | 1993-2013 (IFS) | | Faeroe Islands |  | | Finland | 1913-1914 (D, Helsinki on New York), 1915-1951 (WW, Helsinki on New York), 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Guernsey |  | | Iceland | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Ireland | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Isle of Man |  | | Jersey |  | | Latvia | 1992-2013 (IFS) | | Lithuania | 1992-2013 (IFS) | | Norway | 1915-1940, 1946-1951 (WW, New York on Oslo), 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Sark |  | | Svalbard and Jan Mayen Islands |  | | Sweden | 1907-1914 (D, Stockholm on New York), 1915-1941, 1946-1951 (WW, New York on Stockholm), 1952-2013 (IFS) | | United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland | 1789 (D, Boston on London), 1791-1793 (MW), 1794-1914 (D, New York on London), 1915-1951 (WW, New York on London), 1952-2013 (IFS) | |  |  | | ***Southern Europe*** |  | | Albania | 1992-2013 (IFS) | | Andorra |  | | Bosnia and Herzegovina | 1997-2013 (IFS) | | Croatia | 1992-2013 (IFS) | | Gibraltar |  | | Greece | 1915-1940 (WW, New York on Athens),  1952-2013 (IFS) | | Holy See |  | | Italy | 1915-1941 (WW, New York on Milan), 1942-1943, 1945-1946, 1949-1951 (WW, Milan on New York), 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Kosovo |  | | Malta | 1952-2013 (IIFS) | | Montenegro | 1999-2013 (IFS) | | Portugal | 1921-1941, 1946-1951 (WW, New York on Lisbon), 1952-2013 (IFS) | | San Marino | 1972-2013 (IFS) | | Serbia | 1919-1941 (WW, New York on Belgrad), 1997-2013 (IFS) | | Serbia and Montenegro (until 2006) |  | | Slovenia | 1991-2013 (IFS) | | Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (until 1992) | 1952-1991 (IFS) | | Spain | 1915-1941, 1946-1948 (WW, New York on Madrid), 1952-2013 (IFS) | | The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia | 1994-2013 (IFS) | |  |  | | ***Eastern Europe*** |  | | Belarus | 1995-2013 (IFS) | | Bulgaria | 1919-1939 (WW, New York on Sofia), 1953-1974, 1985-2013 (IFS) | | Czech Republic | 1993-2013 (IFS) | | Czechoslovakia (until 1993) | 1919-1939, 1946-1951 (WW, New York on Prag) | | Hungary | 1921-1941 (WW, New York on Budapest), 1968-2013 (IFS) | | Poland | 1919-1939 (WW, New York on Warsaw), 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Republic of Moldova | 1995-2013 (IFS) | | Romania | 1919-1940 (WW, New York on Bukarest), 1957-2013 (IFS) | | Russian Federation | 1914-1919 (WW, New York on St. Petersburg), 1993-2013 (IFS) | | Slovakia | 1993-2013 (IFS) | | Ukraine | 1993-2013 (IFS) | | USSR (until 1991) |  | |  |  | | **Americas** |  | | **Northern America** |  | | Bermuda |  | | Canada | 1909-1914 (D, Montreal on New York), 1919-1951 (WW, New York on Montreal), 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Greenland |  | | Saint Pierre and Miquelon |  | | United States of America | -- | |  |  | | **Latin America and the Caribbean** |  | | ***Caribbean*** |  | | Anguilla | 1957-2013 (IFS) | | Antigua and Barbuda | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Aruba | 1986-2013 (IFS) | | Bahamas | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Barbados | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Bonaire, Saint Eustatius and Saba |  | | British Virgin Islands |  | | Cayman Islands |  | | Cuba | 1921-1939 (WW, New York on Cuba) | | Curaçao | 2010-2013 (IFS) | | Dominica | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Dominican Republic | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Grenada | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Guadeloupe |  | | Haiti | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Jamaica | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Martinique |  | | Montserrat | 1957-2013 (IFS) | | Netherlands Antilles (until 2010) | 1952-2009 (IFS) | | Puerto Rico |  | | Saint-Barthélemy |  | | Saint Kitts and Nevis |  | | Saint Lucia |  | | Saint Martin (French part) |  | | Saint Vincent and the Grenadines |  | | Sint Maarten (Dutch part) |  | | Trinidad and Tobago | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Turks and Caicos Islands |  | | United States Virgin Islands |  | |  |  | | ***Central America*** |  | | Belize | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Costa Rica | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | El Salvador | 1920-1939 (WW, El Salvador on New York), 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Guatemala | 1920-1927, 1934-1935 (WW, Guatemala on New York), 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Honduras | 1952-2012 (IFS) | | Mexico | 1900-1914 (D, Mexico City on New York), 1915-1951 (WW, Mexico City on New York),  1952-2013 (IFS) | | Nicaragua | 1920-1932, 1937-1938 (WW, Nicaragua on New York), 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Panama | 1952-2013 (IFS) | |  |  | | ***South America*** |  | | Argentina | 1879-1880, 1885, 1895-1905 (D, Buenos Aires on New York), 1915-1933 (WW, Buenos Aires on New York), 1934-1951 (WW, New York on Buenos Aires), 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Bolivia (Plurinational State of) | 1920-1921 (WW, New York on Bolivia), 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Brazil | 1879, 1881, 1885-1950 (WW, Rio de Janeiro on New York), 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Chile | 1919-1941 (WW, New York on Valparaiso),  1952-2013 (IFS) | | Colombia | 1919-1921, 1928-1948 (WW, New York on Bogota), 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Ecuador | 1927-1950 (WW, Ecuador on New York) | | Falkland Islands (Malvinas) |  | | French Guiana |  | | Guyana | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Paraguay | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Peru | 1919-1921 (WW, New York on Lima), 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Suriname | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Uruguay | 1919-1948 (WW, New York on Montevideo),  1952-2013 (IFS) | | Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) | 1920-1937 (WW, Venezuala on New York), 1952-2013 (IFS) | |  |  | | **Oceania** |  | | ***Australia and New Zealand*** |  | | Australia | 1919-1921, 1933-1951 (WW, New York on Australia), 1952-2013 (IFS) | | New Zealand | 1919-1921, 1933-1951 (New York on New Zealand), 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Norfolk Island |  | |  |  | | ***Melanesia*** |  | | Fiji | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | New Caledonia |  | | Papua New Guinea | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Solomon Islands | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Vanuatu | 1952-2013 (IFS) | |  |  | | ***Micronesia*** |  | | Guam |  | | Kiribati | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Marshall Islands |  | | Micronesia (Federated States of) | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Nauru |  | | Northern Mariana Islands |  | | Pacific Islands (Trust Territory) (1947-1986) |  | | Palau |  | |  |  | | ***Polynesia*** |  | | American Samoa |  | | Cook Islands |  | | French Polynesia |  | | Niue |  | | Pitcairn |  | | Samoa | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Tokelau |  | | Tonga | 1952-2013 (PWT) | | Tuvalu |  | | Wallis and Futuna Islands |  | |  |  | | **Asia** |  | | ***Southern Asia*** |  | | Afghanistan | 1955-2013 (IFS) | | Bangladesh | 1971-2013 (IFS) | | Bhutan | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | India | 1919-1951 (WW, New York on Calcutta),  1952-2013 (IFS) | | Iran (Islamic Republic of) | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Maldives | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Nepal | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Pakistan | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Sri Lanka | 1949-1951 (WW, New York on Ceylon), 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Tibet |  | |  |  | | ***Eastern Asia*** |  | | China | 1898-1914 (D, Tientsin on New York), 1915-1926 (WW, Tientsin on New York), 1957-2013 (IFS) | | China, Hong Kong Special Administrative Region | 1886-1914 (D, Hong Kong on New York), 1915-1941 (WW, Hong Kong on New York),  1952-2013 (IFS) | | China, Macao Special Administrative Region | 1967-2013 (IFS) | | Democratic People's Republic of Korea |  | | Japan | 1869-1870, 1873-1891 (D, Yokohama on San Francisco), 1892-1914 (D, Yokohama on San Francisco & New York), 1915-1924 (WW, Yokohama on United States of America), 1925-1941 (WW, New York on Yokohama),  1952-2013 (IFS) | | Mongolia | 1991-2013 (IFS) | | Republic of Korea | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Taiwan |  | |  |  | | ***South-Eastern Asia*** |  | | Brunei Darussalam | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Cambodia | 1954-1973, 1990-2013 (IFS) | | Indonesia | 1999-2013 (IFS) | | Indonesia (until 1999) | 1915-1940 (WW, Batavia on New York), 1967-1998 (IFS) | | Lao People's Democratic Republic | 1957-2013 (IFS) | | Malaysia | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Myanmar | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Philippines | 1919-1921 (WW, New York on Manila), 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Singapore | 1918-1926 (WW, Singapore on New York), 1927-1942, 1949-1951 (WW, New York on Singapore), 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Thailand | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Timor-Leste |  | | Viet Nam | 1983, 1986-2013 (IFS) | |  |  | | ***Western Asia*** |  | | Armenia | 1993-2013 (IFS) | | Azerbaijan | 1992-2013 (IFS) | | Bahrain | 1966-2013 (IFS) | | Cyprus | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Democratic Yemen (until 1990) |  | | Georgia | 1996-2013 (IFS) | | Iraq | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Israel | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Jordan | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Kuwait | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Lebanon | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Occupied Palestinian Territory |  | | Oman | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Qatar | 1966-2013 (IFS) | | Saudi Arabia | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Syrian Arab Republic | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Turkey | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | United Arab Emirates | 1966-2013 (IFS) | | Yemen (until 1990) |  | | Yemen | 1990-2013 (IFS) | |  |  | | ***Central Asia*** |  | | Kazakhstan | 1994-2013 (IFS) | | Kyrgyzstan | 1994-2013 (IFS) | | Tajikistan | 1992-2013 (IFS) | | Turkmenistan | 1994-2001 (IFS) | | Uzbekistan | 1995-2000 (IFS) | |  |  | | **Africa** |  | | ***Northern Africa*** |  | | Algeria | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Egypt | 1920-1941 (WW, Alexandria on New York),  1952-2013 (IFS) | | Libya | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Morocco | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | South Sudan | 2011-2013 (IFS) | | Sudan (North) | 2011-2013 (IFS) | | Sudan (until 2011) | 1952-2010 (IFS) | | Tunisia | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Western Sahara |  | |  |  | | ***Western Africa*** |  | | Benin | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Burkina Faso | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Cape Verde | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Cote d'Ivoire | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Gambia | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Ghana | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Guinea | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Guinea-Bissau | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Liberia | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Mali | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Mauritania | 1952-2003, 2005-2013 (IFS) | | Niger | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Nigeria | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Saint Helena |  | | Senegal | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Sierra Leone | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Togo | 1952-2013 (IFS) | |  |  | | ***Middle Africa*** |  | | Angola | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Cameroon | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Central African Republic | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Chad | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Congo | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Democratic Republic of the Congo | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Equatorial Guinea | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Gabon | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Sao Tome and Principe | 1952-2013 (IFS) | |  |  | | ***Southern Africa*** |  | | Botswana | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Lesotho | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Namibia | 1962-2013 (IFS) | | South Africa | 1933-1951 (WW, New York on South-Africa), 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Swaziland | 1952-2013 (IFS) | |  |  | | ***Eastern Africa*** |  | | Burundi | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Comoros | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Djibouti | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Eritrea | 1958-2013 (IFS) | | Ethiopia (until 1993) | 1952-1992 (IFS) | | Ethiopia (from 1993) | 1993-2012 (IFS) | | Kenya | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Madagascar | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Malawi | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Mauritius | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Mayotte |  | | Mozambique | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Réunion |  | | Rwanda | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Seychelles | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Somalia | 1952-1989 (IFS) | | Uganda | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | United Republic of Tanzania | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Zambia | 1952-2013 (IFS) | | Zimbabwe | 1952-2008 (IFS) | |  |