



## DOMESTIC MARKET BRIEF 2<sup>nd</sup> QUARTER 2025

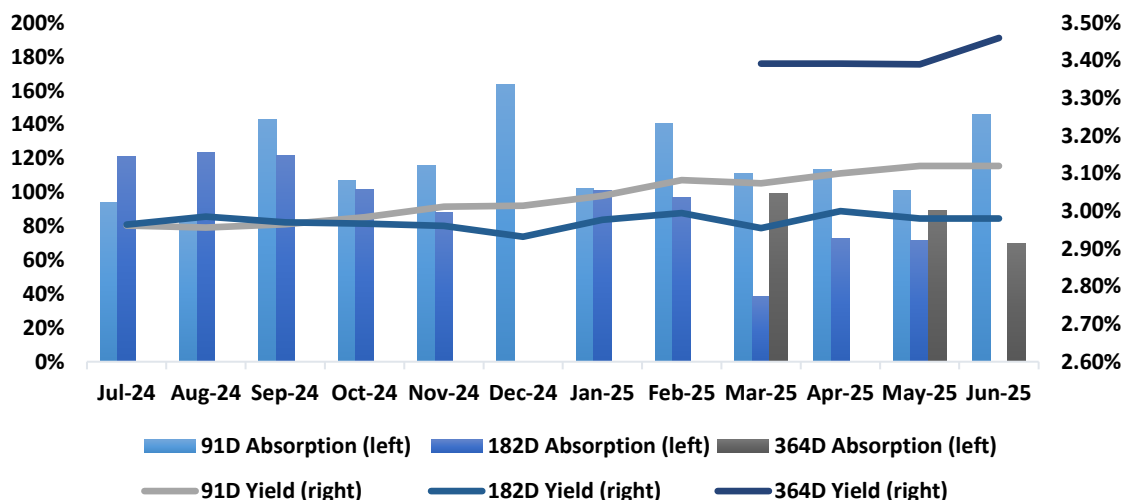
### Market Overview

During the second quarter (Q2) 2025, approximately \$1.6 billion in Government paper was issued, primarily to refinance existing debt obligations. Treasury bills (T-bills) and Bahamas Registered Stock (BRS) offerings, including three re-openings, represented 94 percent and 6 percent, respectively, of the securities issued. The market absorption rate contracted from 107 percent in Q1 2025 to 103 percent in Q2 2025.

### Market Recap

Treasury bills closed the period with an average absorption rate of 106 percent, 3 percentage points lower than over the previous period. A point-to-point comparison revealed that this reduction was concentrated around the 364- and 182-day T-bill, with absorption rates of only 77 and 72 percent, respectively during the reporting period, compared to the average absorption for the 91-day T-bill at 120 percent at close of Q2. Figure 1 below illustrates the volatility in T-bill yields against demand for the twelve-month period April 2024 to March 2025.

**Figure 1: Treasury Bill Absorption Rates and Yields**

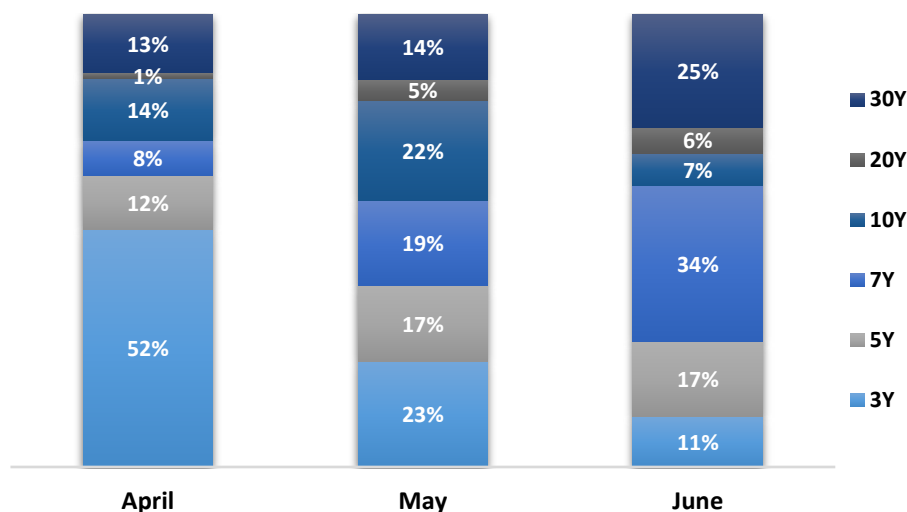


*Note: March 2025 was the first issuance of the 364-Day T-bills*

Investor uptake of BRS amounted to \$70 million, reflecting an undersubscription of \$19 million. The average absorption rate stood at 79 percent, a slight contraction from 81 percent in Q1 2025. All BRS offered during the period were re-openings of previous BRS issues. A tenor-based comparison for the quarter supports a general preference for the 3-year and 7-year tranches, which collectively accounted for 49 percent of total subscriptions. Average uptake of the 5-, 10-, and 30-year tranches accounted for 47 percent, while the 20-year tranche recorded take-up of 4 percent. Figure 2 below illustrates tenor performance for the various issues during Q2 2025.

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**Figure 2: BRS Benchmark Subscriptions for Q2 2025**



**Table 1: Treasury Bill and Bahamas Registered Stock Reopening Statistics**

Month	Issue	Type	Issue Size (Millions)	Subscriptions (Millions)	Absorption Rate
Apr 2025	BSTB 00007145/7152	91D/182D	\$458.77	\$488.47	106%
May 2025	BSTB 00007160	364D	\$127.31	\$113.34	89%
May 2025	BSTB 00007178/7186	91D/182D	\$345.15	\$339.70	98%
Jun 2025	BSTB 00007194	91D	\$191.98	\$267.53	139%
Jun 2025	BSTB 00007202/7210	91D/182D	\$145.81	\$223.14	153%
June 2025	BSTB 00007228	364D	\$233.63	\$163.36	70%
Apr 2025	BRS 155/176/178	Reopening	\$22.70	\$14.51	64%
May 2025	BRS 139/155/176/178	Reopening	\$30.00	\$32.51	108%
Jun 2025	BRS 160/164/174/179	Reopening	\$36.57	\$23.42	64%

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