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SAVINGS BANK STATISTICS

PRELIMINARY STATEMENT - OCTOBER 1969

The figures contained in the following tables in respect of the latest month shown are preliminary and subject to confirmation or amendment when the information is published in the Monthly Bulletin of Banking Statistics. The information has been prepared from returns submitted under the Banking Act 1959-1967 (voluntarily by State savings banks).

2. This statement includes seasonally adjusted figures of depositors' balances - Table 2 page 2. Details of the methods used in seasonally adjusting this and other series are given in "Seasonally Adjusted Indicators 1969" (Ref.No. 1.10) issued on 22 May 1969.

3. Any discrepancies between totals and sums of components in tables are due to rounding.

TABLE 1. - SAVINGS BANKS : DEPOSITORS' BALANCES (a)

(\$ million)

State or Territory	At end of -				Variation between September, 1969 and October 1969
	September 1968	October 1968	September 1969	October 1969	
N.S.W.	2,174.4	2,194.8	2,335.6	2,359.4	+ 23.8
Vic.	2,140.0	2,159.3	2,317.1	2,349.3	+ 32.3
Qld	781.9	787.5	846.8	854.3	+ 7.5
S.A.	651.0	655.1	705.5	712.2	+ 6.7
W.A.	392.1	398.6	428.0	433.3	+ 5.3
Tas.	183.5	183.9	195.4	195.7	+ 0.4
N.T.	16.3	16.8	19.7	20.4	+ 0.7
A.C.T.	46.0	46.4	52.3	53.0	+ 0.8
AUSTRALIA	6,385.1	6,442.4	6,900.3	6,977.6	+ 77.3

(a) Interest credited to depositors' accounts during each of the months shown was respectively : \$2.6 million; \$0.5 million; \$3.2 million; \$0.6 million.

NOTE. Depositors' balances in Papua, New Guinea and other External Territories at the end of September 1969 not included above were respectively : \$12.8 million; \$27.3 million; \$1.1 million.

TABLE 2. - SAVINGS BANK DEPOSITORS' BALANCES : AUSTRALIA (a) ORIGINAL AND SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (b)
(\$ million)

At end of -	Depositors' balances		Variation in depositors' balances over previous month	
	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted
1965 October	5,034.4	4,985.7	+ 40.2	+ 26.4
1966 October	5,448.5	5,388.2	+ 57.0	+ 36.2
1967 October	6,001.2	5,943.2	+ 49.0	+ 43.7
1968 September	6,385.1	6,338.2	+ 35.9	+ 40.3
October	6,442.4	6,377.9	+ 57.3	+ 39.7
November	6,484.8	6,418.9	+ 42.4	+ 41.0
December	6,456.3	6,452.5	- 28.5	+ 33.6
1969 January	6,497.9	6,500.8	+ 41.6	+ 48.3
February	6,546.5	6,546.0	+ 48.6	+ 45.2
March	6,524.5	6,584.0	- 22.0	+ 38.0
April	6,537.8	6,642.1	+ 13.4	+ 58.1
May	6,582.6	6,680.1	+ 44.8	+ 38.0
June	6,707.1	6,706.4	+124.5	+ 26.3
July	6,790.9	6,760.5	+ 85.8	+ 54.1
August	6,849.6	6,804.7	+ 58.7	+ 44.2
September	6,900.3	6,847.6	+ 50.7	+ 42.9
October	6,977.6	6,897.6	+ 77.3	+ 50.0

(a) Excludes Papua, New Guinea and Other External Territories. (b) See paragraph 2, page 1.

TABLE 3. - SAVINGS BANKS : ASSETS WITHIN AUSTRALIA (a)
(\$ million)

Item	At end of -				Variation between September 1969 and October 1969
	September 1968	October 1968	September 1969	October 1969	
Gold, bullion and notes	14.7	12.8	16.8	14.5	- 2.3
Deposits with Reserve Bank	558.4	578.9	577.3	626.2	+ 48.9
Deposits with trading banks	175.8	176.3	181.3	162.4	- 18.8
Commonwealth and State Government securities -					
Treasury bills and Treasury Notes	22.1	10.2	67.1	56.3	- 10.8
Other	2,242.6	2,266.6	2,285.2	2,316.0	+ 30.8
Local and semi-governmental securities	1,530.0	1,548.8	1,706.1	1,717.0	+ 10.9
Loans to authorised dealers in the short-term money market	29.0	32.2	33.3	36.5	+ 3.3
Loans, advances and bills discounted -					
Housing	1,795.2	1,813.3	1,998.8	2,015.2	+ 16.4
Other	277.8	280.8	314.2	315.8	+ 1.5
All other assets	100.6	101.4	113.7	114.8	+ 1.0
Total	6,746.1	6,821.3	7,293.8	7,374.8	+ 81.0

(a) Includes assets in Papua, New Guinea and other External Territories.

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