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FINANCE COMPANIES
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Introduction

1. This bulletin contains details of the lending operations of finance companies compiled from monthly returns collected from those companies. Information on the scope of these statistics up to June 1973 and definitions of items are contained in the annual bulletin *Finance Company Transactions* 1972-73 (Reference No. 5.13) which provides more detailed statistics. Changes in the scope of the collection as from July 1973 were delineated in the July 1973 bulletin in this series.

Presentation

2. Figures for each State are compiled on the basis of business written or recorded by finance companies (or branches of finance companies) operating in that State, but this does not necessarily indicate that the funds so provided are for use within that State. The extent to which funds may be raised in one State for use in another is not known.
3. Tables 1 to 6 show details of the transactions of finance companies other than leasing, bills of exchange, loans to related non-finance companies and liquidity placements. These latter transactions are covered in Table 7.
4. Table 8 provides certain details on the operations of Selected Finance Companies which may be regarded as "merchant banks" falling within the scope of the Finance Companies collection. A detailed statement of the criteria used to select finance companies for inclusion in Table 8 is contained in the July 1973 bulletin.
5. A further dissection of "amount financed" by purpose of loan for instalment credit for retail sales provided by finance companies is given in the monthly bulletin *Instalment Credit for Retail Sales* (Reference No. 5.46).
6. A line drawn across a column between two figures indicates a break in the continuity of the series. For details of series breaks before July 1973 refer to *Finance Company Transactions* 1972-73 (Reference No. 5.13), and from July 1973 refer to the July 1973 bulletin.
7. This bulletin incorporates revisions made to figures published in previous bulletins in this series.
8. Any discrepancies between totals and sums of components in the tables are due to rounding.

TABLE 1. - FINANCE COMPANIES : AUSTRALIA - SUMMARY
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Year -	Amount financed during period	Collections and other liquidations during period			Balances outstanding at end of period		
		Contracts including charges (a)	Contracts excluding charges (b)	Total all contracts	Contracts including charges (c)	Contracts excluding charges (d)	Total all contracts (e)
1968-69	3,247.0	1,418.4	1,916.3	3,334.6	2,105.5	723.5	2,829.0
1969-70	3,852.7	1,619.6	2,223.0	3,842.5	2,412.1	1,012.4	3,424.5
1970-71	4,505.3	1,788.3	2,771.4	4,559.7	2,773.4	1,280.4	4,053.9
1971-72	5,512.6	2,020.2	3,449.6	5,469.8	3,077.0	1,821.8	4,898.7
1972-73	5,704.5	2,414.7	3,301.2	5,715.8	3,435.7	2,228.3	5,663.5
1973-74 (f)	7,256.9	2,671.6	3,968.8	6,640.0	4,400.2	3,438.1	7,838.3
1973 -							
May	603.5	231.1	323.7	554.8	3,385.5	2,104.1	5,489.6
June	628.7	215.2	331.0	546.2	3,435.2	2,228.3	5,663.5
July (f)	672.5	230.3	370.8	600.9	3,587.4	2,481.8	6,069.3
August	669.9	236.4	368.5	604.9	3,648.6	2,602.0	6,250.6
September	618.5	212.9	304.5	517.6	3,725.5	2,713.9	6,439.4
October	687.0	243.8	367.9	611.5	3,817.5	2,802.6	6,620.1
November	640.4	225.4	326.6	552.0	3,918.7	2,910.4	6,829.1
December	643.8	195.1	318.8	513.9	4,002.2	3,081.9	7,084.1
1974 -							
January	462.0	221.9	348.4	570.3	4,050.5	3,028.2	7,078.7
February	513.2	213.5	263.7	477.2	4,113.7	3,119.1	7,232.8
March	590.5	234.7	317.5	552.1	4,178.6	3,203.4	7,382.0
April	590.1	221.8	319.7	541.5	4,276.4	3,254.3	7,530.7
May	655.0	239.5	360.6	600.1	4,336.4	3,379.8	7,716.2
June	514.1	196.3	301.8	498.0	4,400.2	3,438.1	7,838.3

(a) Comprises collections and other liquidations (see headings to Table 3) for all "instalment credit for retail sales", most "personal loans" and all "other consumer and commercial loans including charges". (b) Comprises collections and other liquidations (see headings to Table 3) for a small number of "personal loans", all "wholesale finance", all "factoring", all "commercial loans repayable at call or within 90 days" and all "other consumer and commercial loans excluding charges". (c) Comprises balances outstanding (see headings to Table 4) for all "instalment outstanding (see headings to Table 4) for a small number of "personal loans" and all "other consumer and commercial loans including charges". (d) Comprises balances repayable at call or within 90 days" and all "other consumer and commercial loans excluding charges". (e) Amounts shown in this column are intended to provide a broad, over-all measure of total balances outstanding. However, it should be noted that movements in this series may be affected by changes in the proportions of the two components of the series to the total. (f) For details of breaks in series see paragraph 6 on page 1.

TABLE 2 - FINANCE COMPANIES: AMOUNT FINANCED BY CLASSIFICATION OF FINANCE AGREEMENTS
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	<i>Instal- ment credit for retail sales</i>	<i>Personal loans</i>	<i>Wholesale finance</i>	<i>Fact- oring</i>	<i>Commercial loans repayable at call or within 90 days</i>	<i>Other consumer and commercial loans (a)</i>	<i>Total</i>
AUSTRALIA							
Year -							
1968-69	914.2	132.1	944.4	75.7	496.9	683.7	3,247.0
1969-70	1,037.4	152.4	1,059.7	91.6	572.5	939.1	3,852.7
1970-71	1,124.8	162.6	1,134.6	97.6	865.8	1,120.0	4,505.3
1971-72	1,121.8	206.4	1,294.0	98.5	1,245.9	1,546.0	5,512.6
1972-73	1,193.8	272.7	1,439.5	109.1	(c)	2,689.3	5,704.5
1973-74 (b)	1,146.4	341.5	1,845.6	152.0	(c)	3,771.4	7,256.9
1973 -							
May	120.9	28.8	153.9	10.3	(c)	289.6	603.5
June	103.9	24.6	128.0	9.1	(c)	363.2	628.7
July (b)	97.6	27.4	143.6	11.4	(c)	392.4	672.5
August	102.0	29.0	159.6	11.8	(c)	367.5	669.9
September	91.3	25.8	159.0	11.7	(c)	330.7	618.5
October	107.4	30.7	167.2	13.9	(c)	367.8	687.0
November	107.4	29.8	159.2	14.3	(c)	329.7	640.4
December	91.2	25.1	131.2	13.6	(c)	382.6	643.8
1974 -							
January	90.3	25.3	118.3	7.4	(c)	220.7	462.0
February	82.7	28.9	137.9	11.5	(c)	252.1	513.2
March	91.5	32.0	158.0	14.4	(c)	294.6	590.5
April	92.1	32.1	149.6	13.1	(c)	303.3	590.1
May	108.7	33.9	199.5	16.2	(c)	296.7	655.0
June	84.1	21.5	162.5	12.8	(c)	233.2	514.1
STATES - MAY 1974							
N.S.W.	41.6	15.2	70.2	6.0	(c)	134.9	268.0
Vic.	24.0	12.1	46.5	9.0	(c)	74.6	166.2
Qld	17.6	3.0	38.9	(d)	(c)	48.3	107.9
S.A.	8.8	2.2	17.8	(d)	(c)	16.6	45.4
W.A.	9.6	0.6	18.5	(d)	(c)	13.1	41.8
Tas.	3.6	..	5.6	..	(c)	1.3	10.6
N.T.	0.5	0.7	3.2	{ ..	(c)	1.2	2.6
A.C.T.	2.9				(c)	6.7	12.7
STATES - JUNE 1974							
N.S.W.	33.0	8.7	54.6	4.6	(c)	130.8	231.7
Vic.	18.9	8.3	44.0	7.2	(c)	47.8	126.2
Qld	13.2	2.3	27.3	(d)	(c)	29.4	72.1
S.A.	6.4	1.3	16.3	(d)	(c)	11.1	35.0
W.A.	7.2	0.5	14.1	(d)	(c)	8.1	29.9
Tas.	2.9	..	4.6	..	(c)	0.8	8.4
N.T.	0.5	0.5	2.6	{ ..	(c)	0.9	2.3
A.C.T.	2.0				(c)	4.3	8.5

(a) A dissection of this item from July 1972 is provided in Table 5. (b) For details of breaks in series see paragraph 6 on page 1. (c) Series discontinued; see paragraph 6 on page 1. (d) Not available separately; included in wholesale finance.

TABLE 3. - FINANCE COMPANIES : COLLECTIONS AND OTHER LIQUIDATIONS OF BALANCES
BY CLASSIFICATION OF FINANCE AGREEMENTS
(\$ m)

	<i>Instal- ment credit for retail sales</i>	<i>Personal loans</i>	<i>Wholesale finance</i>	<i>Factoring</i>	<i>Commercial loans repayable at call or within 90 days</i>	<i>Other consumer and commercial loans (a)</i>		<i>Total all contracts</i>
						<i>Contracts including charges</i>	<i>Contracts excluding charges</i>	
AUSTRALIA								
Year -								
1968-69	1,019.7	(b)	934.8	87.9	503.6	398.7	390.0	3,334.6
1969-70	1,153.5	(b)	1,053.1	103.6	543.5	466.1	522.7	3,842.5
1970-71	1,302.8	174.7	1,127.6	114.4	836.8	335.8	667.5	4,559.7
1971-72	1,405.6	199.0	1,268.7	115.4	1,151.9	444.4	884.9	5,469.8
1972-73	1,491.0	280.5	1,473.4	126.4	(d)	678.3	1,666.3	5,715.8
1973-74 (c)	1,352.5	349.3	1,817.0	159.8	(d)	1,004.6	1,956.7	6,640.0
1973 -								
May	126.6	27.0	152.4	12.7	(d)	70.2	155.2	554.8
June	123.7	26.3	139.0	10.4	(d)	68.5	178.3	546.2
July (c)	120.4	28.4	146.2	11.8	(d)	84.1	210.0	600.9
August	119.5	29.0	154.2	12.5	(d)	90.7	199.0	604.9
September	106.0	26.0	147.0	11.0	(d)	83.7	143.8	517.6
October	120.6	31.1	175.9	16.2	(d)	95.0	172.7	611.5
November	112.5	28.9	159.7	14.6	(d)	87.2	149.1	552.0
December	103.0	23.6	136.3	12.5	(d)	71.5	167.0	513.9
1974 -								
January	115.9	29.2	141.4	13.8	(d)	79.4	190.6	570.3
February	110.5	29.4	121.0	13.5	(d)	76.7	126.0	477.2
March	114.7	33.6	146.3	12.0	(d)	89.4	156.1	552.1
April	113.6	30.5	143.9	12.9	(d)	80.6	160.0	541.5
May	116.9	33.2	193.2	16.5	(d)	92.8	147.5	600.1
June	98.9	26.4	151.9	12.5	(d)	73.5	134.9	498.0
STATES - MAY 1974								
N.S.W.	43.9	15.2	66.1	6.3	(d)	35.9	74.9	242.3
Vic.	25.3	10.1	39.4	8.9	(d)	15.4	34.8	133.9
Qld	18.3	3.8	41.0	(e)	(d)	23.9	19.5	106.5
S.A.	10.6	2.4	19.3	(e)	(d)	7.1	8.5	47.9
W.A.	11.1	0.6	20.0	(e)	(d)	6.0	5.9	43.6
Tas.	4.0	..	5.3	..	(d)	1.4	0.2	11.0
N.T.	0.8	1.0	3.4	..	(d)	0.7	0.2	2.7
A.C.T.	3.0			..	(d)	2.3	3.6	12.2
STATES - JUNE 1974								
N.S.W.	36.0	11.1	53.1	4.3	(d)	30.9	71.5	206.9
Vic.	22.7	8.7	37.6	7.0	(d)	11.4	34.5	122.0
Qld	15.9	3.1	25.9	(e)	(d)	16.3	13.3	74.6
S.A.	8.7	1.8	15.5	(e)	(d)	6.2	7.7	39.9
W.A.	9.0	1.0	13.2	(e)	(d)	5.6	4.2	32.9
Tas.	3.5	..	4.7	..	(d)	1.0	0.5	9.8
N.T.	0.6	0.6	2.9	..	(d)	0.5	0.5	2.8
A.C.T.	2.4			..	(d)	1.6	2.6	9.1

(a) A dissection of this item from July 1972 is provided in Table 6. (b) Before 1970-71 personal loans were included in other consumer and commercial loans. (c) For details of breaks in series, see paragraph 6 on page 1. (d) Series discontinued; see paragraph 6 on page 1. (e) Not available separately; included in wholesale finance.

TABLE 4. — FINANCE COMPANIES: BALANCES OUTSTANDING
BY CLASSIFICATION OF FINANCE AGREEMENTS
(\$ m)

	<i>Instal- ment credit for retail sales</i>	<i>Personal loans</i>	<i>Wholesale finance</i>	<i>Factoring</i>	<i>Commercial loans repayable at call or within 90 days</i>	<i>Other consumer and commercial loans (a)</i>		<i>Total all contracts</i>
						<i>Contracts including charges</i>	<i>Contracts excluding charges</i>	
AUSTRALIA								
Year —								
1968-69	1,368.6	(b)	146.7	22.6	53.9	736.9	500.4	2,829.0
1969-70	1,561.5	(b)	167.6	26.9	79.0	850.5	739.0	3,424.5
1970-71	1,732.4	218.3	193.4	27.8	108.2	843.6	930.2	4,053.9
1971-72	1,791.2	278.4	237.0	25.7	227.4	1,028.1	1,311.0	4,898.7
1972-73	1,866.8	373.6	224.4	27.2	(d)	1,220.2	1,951.3	5,663.5
1973-74 (c)	1,762.0	524.0	284.4	41.0	(d)	2,150.0	3,076.8	7,838.3
1973 —								
May	1,856.3	366.6	233.5	27.1	(d)	1,187.2	1,819.0	5,489.6
June	1,866.8	373.6	224.4	27.2	(d)	1,220.2	1,951.3	5,663.5
July (c)	1,641.1	414.3	243.7	28.6	(d)	1,560.2	2,181.4	6,069.3
August	1,652.0	423.1	247.8	30.1	(d)	1,602.2	2,295.3	6,250.6
September	1,664.2	429.6	261.5	32.7	(d)	1,660.7	2,390.7	6,439.4
October	1,680.9	439.1	255.2	32.1	(d)	1,726.4	2,486.3	6,620.1
November	1,705.9	450.7	255.6	32.9	(d)	1,791.8	2,592.2	6,829.1
December	1,717.0	460.4	256.6	35.8	(d)	1,855.2	2,758.9	7,084.1
1974 —								
January	1,719.8	471.0	230.4	30.7	(d)	1,890.8	2,735.9	7,078.7
February	1,716.7	481.4	248.8	30.5	(d)	1,946.9	2,808.6	7,232.8
March	1,720.7	491.9	262.1	34.9	(d)	1,997.4	2,875.0	7,382.0
April	1,726.3	508.0	270.1	37.1	(d)	2,074.5	2,914.6	7,530.7
May	1,753.0	519.5	278.0	39.1	(d)	2,100.0	3,026.6	7,716.2
June	1,762.0	524.0	284.4	41.0	(d)	2,150.0	3,076.8	7,838.3
STATES — MAY 1974								
N.S.W.	654.4	237.4	103.5	13.7	(d)	839.5	1,596.3	3,444.9
Vic.	390.8	161.4	59.7	22.2	(d)	330.9	749.1	1,714.1
Qld	289.4	58.1	49.7	(e)	(d)	547.9	387.9	1,333.1
S.A.	151.3	33.9	21.9	(e)	(d)	161.4	96.0	464.5
W.A.	160.9	15.9	35.7	(e)	(d)	120.9	120.6	454.0
Tas.	51.4	0.8	6.9	(e)	(d)	15.6	5.9	80.5
N.T.	10.0	11.9	3.8	{ ..	(d)	15.9	6.6	36.0
A.C.T.	44.9				(d)	67.8	64.2	189.1
STATES — JUNE 1974								
N.S.W.	658.0	238.9	99.4	14.5	(d)	875.0	1,629.9	3,515.8
Vic.	392.9	164.2	66.3	23.4	(d)	338.3	756.9	1,742.1
Qld	290.7	58.7	51.3	(e)	(d)	552.5	397.3	1,350.5
S.A.	151.6	34.1	22.9	(e)	(d)	162.1	95.7	466.5
W.A.	161.6	15.5	36.9	(e)	(d)	121.7	119.1	454.8
Tas.	52.0	0.7	7.0	(e)	(d)	15.7	5.7	81.1
N.T.	10.0	11.9	3.7	{ ..	(d)	16.4	6.6	36.2
A.C.T.	45.2				(d)	68.1	65.6	191.3

(a) A dissection of this item from July 1972 is provided in Table 6. (b) Before 1970-71 personal loans were included in other consumer and commercial loans. (c) For details of breaks in series, see paragraph 6 on page 1. (d) Series discontinued; see paragraph 6 on page 1. (e) Not available separately; included in wholesale finance.

TABLE 5. - FINANCE COMPANIES: OTHER CONSUMER AND COMMERCIAL LOANS
AMOUNT FINANCED
(\$ m)

	Finance for housing				Other commercial loans			
	Purchase of existing housing	Construction of housing (a)	Purchase of individual residential blocks of land	Total finance for housing	Construction other than housing	Other purposes (b)	Total other commercial loans	Total amount financed
AUSTRALIA								
Year -								
1972-73	401.9	499.5	183.3	1,084.7	363.2	1,241.5	1,604.7	2,689.3
1973-74 (c)	544.8	671.4	273.9	1,490.1	439.1	1,842.2	2,281.3	3,771.4
1973 -								
May	43.2	60.8	24.6	128.6	46.9	114.1	161.0	289.6
June	48.2	63.4	26.3	137.9	38.5	186.8	225.3	363.2
July (c)	51.0	69.1	28.7	148.7	45.1	198.6	243.7	392.4
August	56.7	64.1	34.0	154.8	47.8	164.9	212.7	367.5
September	51.2	61.7	28.2	141.0	36.9	152.8	189.7	330.7
October	55.9	68.2	29.0	153.0	45.0	169.7	214.8	367.8
November	48.5	59.2	26.0	133.7	37.5	158.4	195.9	329.7
December	47.9	54.7	23.7	126.3	36.8	219.5	256.3	382.6
1974 -								
January	28.9	37.9	16.0	82.8	23.8	114.0	137.9	220.7
February	48.3	50.9	19.1	118.3	30.8	103.0	133.8	252.1
March	44.8	57.0	18.8	120.6	32.0	142.1	174.1	294.6
April	46.6	50.2	18.9	115.7	37.6	150.0	187.6	303.3
May	40.7	57.2	18.0	116.0	33.9	146.9	180.7	296.7
June	24.4	41.2	13.6	79.1	31.9	122.2	154.1	233.2
STATES - MAY 1974								
N.S.W.	13.9	29.2	6.2	49.3	17.4	68.2	85.6	134.9
Vic.	8.8	9.8	1.1	19.7	4.8	50.1	54.9	74.6
Qld	9.7	8.1	7.7	25.5	7.6	15.2	22.8	48.3
S.A.	5.3	4.5	1.7	11.5	1.1	4.0	5.1	16.6
W.A.	1.4	2.1	1.1	4.6	1.4	7.0	8.4	13.1
Tas.	0.6	0.2	0.2	0.9	1.6	2.3	3.9	1.3
N.T.				4.4				1.2
A.C.T.				4.4				6.7
STATES - JUNE 1974								
N.S.W.	9.4	21.2	5.0	35.6	17.0	78.2	95.2	130.8
Vic.	6.1	8.2	1.0	15.3	4.9	27.6	32.5	47.8
Qld	3.6	4.0	5.7	13.2	6.7	9.5	16.2	29.4
S.A.	2.9	3.6	0.9	7.5	1.2	2.3	3.5	11.1
W.A.	1.3	1.6	0.8	3.7	1.1	3.3	4.4	8.1
Tas.	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.7	1.0	1.3	2.3	0.8
N.T.				3.1				0.9
A.C.T.				3.1				4.3

(a) Includes loans to persons for alterations or additions estimated to cost \$10,000 or more to existing dwelling units. (b) Includes loans for the purpose of developing tracts of land into residential blocks. (c) For details of breaks in series, see paragraph 6 on page 1.

TABLE 6. — FINANCE COMPANIES : OTHER CONSUMER AND COMMERCIAL LOANS
COLLECTIONS AND OTHER LIQUIDATIONS OF BALANCES AND BALANCES OUTSTANDING
(\$ m)

	<i>Collections and other liquidations of balances during period</i>			<i>Balances outstanding at end of period</i>		
	<i>Finance for housing</i>	<i>Other comm- ercial loans</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Finance for housing</i>	<i>Other comm- ercial loans</i>	<i>Total</i>
AUSTRALIA						
Year —						
1972-73	1,055.5	1,289.1	2,344.4	1,622.4	1,549.2	3,171.5
1973-74 (a)	1,233.8	1,727.7	2,961.3	2,443.9	2,782.9	5,226.8
1973 —						
May	104.1	121.3	225.4	1,550.2	1,456.0	3,006.2
June	107.5	139.2	246.8	1,622.4	1,549.2	3,171.5
July (a)	112.4	181.7	294.1	1,702.8	2,038.8	3,741.6
August	118.4	171.3	289.7	1,793.3	2,104.3	3,897.5
September	106.8	120.7	227.5	1,875.8	2,175.7	4,051.5
October	113.2	154.5	267.7	1,976.5	2,236.3	4,212.8
November	110.2	120.1	236.3	2,030.8	2,353.2	4,384.0
December	106.9	131.6	238.5	2,104.5	2,509.7	4,614.2
1974 —						
January	83.6	186.4	270.0	2,142.1	2,484.6	4,626.7
February	88.1	114.6	202.7	2,221.8	2,533.6	4,755.5
March	104.5	141.0	245.5	2,287.7	2,584.7	4,872.4
April	92.6	148.1	240.6	2,361.7	2,627.4	4,989.1
May	101.4	139.0	240.3	2,402.3	2,724.3	5,126.6
June	89.7	118.7	208.4	2,443.9	2,782.9	5,226.8
STATES — MAY 1974						
N.S.W.	37.8	73.0	110.8	1,044.8	1,391.0	2,435.9
Vic.	16.6	33.6	50.2	400.0	680.0	1,080.0
Qld	24.1	19.3	43.4	559.9	375.9	935.8
S.A.	11.7	3.9	15.6	192.5	64.9	257.4
W.A.	5.6	6.3	11.9	97.5	144.0	241.5
Tas.	0.2	1.4	1.7	4.1	17.4	21.5
N.T.	0.4	0.5	0.9	11.5	11.0	22.5
A.C.T.	5.0	1.0	5.9	91.9	40.1	132.0
STATES — JUNE 1974						
N.S.W.	40.0	62.4	102.4	1,069.1	1,435.8	2,504.9
Vic.	14.9	31.0	45.9	408.2	687.0	1,095.3
Qld	16.8	12.8	29.6	565.6	384.1	949.8
S.A.	9.8	4.2	13.9	193.5	64.3	257.8
W.A.	4.1	5.7	9.8	98.2	142.7	240.8
Tas.	0.2	1.2	1.5	4.3	17.1	21.4
N.T.	0.6	0.4	1.0	11.9	11.1	23.0
A.C.T.	3.3	0.9	4.3	93.1	40.6	133.8

(a) For details of break in series see paragraph 6 on page 1.

TABLE 7. - FINANCE COMPANIES
OTHER TRANSACTIONS OF FINANCE COMPANIES
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	Leasing of business equipment and plant		Bills of exchange				Loans to non-finance companies in group
	Value of goods newly leased during period	Value of all leasing agreements at end of period	Amounts paid for bills acquired during period	Amounts receiv- ed for bills disposed of during period	Balances outstanding at end of period	Liquidity placements (a)	
AUSTRALIA							
Year -							
1968-69	148.7	253.9	122.4	122.4	17.8	(a)	20.6
1969-70	207.5	345.9	170.8	154.8	34.7	(a)	25.4
1970-71	<u>262.5</u>	<u>459.6</u>	280.8	265.0	51.8	(a)	32.0
1971-72	304.1	(b)648.0	346.6	318.5	83.7	(a)	30.2
1972-73	<u>400.9</u>	<u>803.8</u>	<u>493.8</u>	<u>453.4</u>	<u>124.1</u>	<u>142.0</u>	<u>52.4</u>
1973-74 (c)	663.8	1,170.4	2,131.5	2,018.6	433.9	183.2	142.1
1973 -							
May	42.2	784.6	40.2	26.2	106.8	168.1	48.8
June	<u>41.0</u>	<u>803.8</u>	<u>64.4</u>	<u>47.3</u>	<u>124.1</u>	<u>142.0</u>	<u>52.4</u>
July (c)	50.8	919.3	147.6	120.0	339.5	253.0	76.6
August	53.0	946.7	173.1	172.3	343.5	240.6	74.9
September	54.0	980.5	132.1	126.4	353.2	169.2	81.2
October	58.1	1,011.2	132.5	152.2	335.7	251.2	82.5
November	59.1	1,047.3	160.9	138.4	360.2	289.0	89.1
December	48.7	1,070.6	160.8	149.2	367.4	288.0	89.3
1974 -							
January	47.2	1,095.0	161.8	175.4	352.1	271.4	127.8
February	51.5	1,119.5	141.0	143.3	351.2	213.1	122.2
March	62.0	1,150.5	230.9	185.0	398.7	241.1	121.4
April	61.6	1,185.2	149.5	155.5	392.4	145.8	130.3
May	66.8	1,225.8	257.9	209.4	435.1	168.1	140.9
June	51.0	1,170.4	283.4	291.5	433.9	183.2	142.1
STATES - MAY 1974							
N.S.W.	22.4	442.5					
Vic.	18.0	328.2					
Qld	14.7	230.0					
S.A.	3.7	86.0	Not available				
W.A.	5.1	88.8					
Tas.	1.7	23.0					
N.T.	0.4	6.7					
A.C.T.	0.9	20.6					
STATES - JUNE 1974							
N.S.W.	14.9	386.2					
Vic.	14.7	320.6					
Qld	12.5	237.1					
S.A.	3.5	88.1	Not available				
W.A.	3.5	89.6					
Tas.	1.1	21.3					
N.T.	0.4	7.0					
A.C.T.	0.5	20.5					

(a) Not reported as specific item before July 1972; see paragraph 6 on page 1. (b) As from July 1971 the valuation is "gross receivables" and figures have been partly estimated. For more details see explanatory notes to the bulletin *Finance Company Transactions 1972-73* (Reference No. 5.13). (c) For details of breaks in series, see paragraph 6 on page 1.

TABLE 8 - SELECTED FINANCE COMPANIES (a) : FINANCE AGREEMENTS,
BILLS OF EXCHANGE TRANSACTIONS AND LIQUIDITY PLACEMENTS
AUSTRALIA
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	Finance agreements (b)			Bills of exchange			Liquidity placements	Loans to non-finance companies in group
	Amount financed during period	Collections and other liquidations during period	Balances outstanding at end of period	Amounts paid for bills acquired during period	Amounts received for bills disposed of during period	Balances outstanding at end of period		
Year -								
1972-73	654.3	520.0	418.1	291.9	261.4	67.7	51.4	(d)
1973-74 (c)	771.0	621.8	668.4	1,668.8	1,618.0	301.3	84.0	14.2
1973 -								
May	65.4	55.4	376.3	26.7	18.4	55.8	70.6	(d)
June	104.1	63.6	418.1	43.5	31.7	67.7	51.4	(d)
July (c)	100.8	82.1	517.2	111.7	89.6	252.8	106.8	9.6
August	63.9	63.0	514.7	142.8	145.6	271.6	98.8	9.4
September	68.1	40.5	547.7	113.3	99.6	283.2	86.8	14.2
October	71.9	54.4	567.4	108.4	122.7	269.8	105.6	15.2
November	58.2	39.2	588.3	120.4	108.9	282.9	128.0	14.8
December	126.6	47.8	673.0	130.1	110.6	301.9	138.9	21.6
1974 -								
January	43.8	109.3	610.4	140.8	153.2	290.0	141.4	11.8
February	33.7	33.3	612.7	120.1	119.3	288.2	123.4	10.6
March	38.8	41.5	611.2	182.8	152.4	318.5	131.8	8.5
April	62.0	42.0	633.1	137.3	129.6	326.4	85.0	7.1
May	61.4	33.5	662.2	157.5	181.2	302.9	83.0	7.2
June	41.8	35.2	668.4	203.6	205.3	301.3	84.0	14.2

(a) See paragraph 4 on page 1. (b) Amounts shown relate mainly to "other consumer and commercial loans". (c) For details of breaks in series see paragraph 6 on page 1. (d) Not available.

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