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FOREIGN INVESTMENT IN ENTERPRISES IN AUSTRALIA
JUNE QUARTER 1985 PRELIMINARY

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MAIN FEATURES

June Quarter 1985—

The quarterly net inflow of foreign investment (excluding undistributed income) in enterprises in Australia was $1,603m. This was a decrease of 46% on the March quarter 1985 figure and the lowest quarterly inflow since that for June quarter 1984.

The decrease resulted from a significant drop in borrowings from unrelated enterprises by both public non-monetary enterprises (down $1,327m) and other enterprises (down $962m). It was only partly offset by an increase in borrowings from related enterprises (up $450m).

Of that part of foreign investment identified by country, the major net inflows were recorded from the UK ($562m) and the USA ($389m). A withdrawal of investment from Australia of $258m is shown for ASEAN. Of the net inflow of $414m shown for the 'Other Countries' category, $901m was obtained from international capital markets while a withdrawal of investment of $436m was recorded for Hong Kong.

Of that part of foreign investment identified by industry, the main contributor to the net inflow was finance, property and business services ($1,100m).

Financial year 1984-85—

The annual net inflow of foreign investment (excluding undistributed income) in enterprises in Australia was $8,953m, an increase of 11% on the 1983-84 figure.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

This publication presents preliminary estimates of foreign investment in enterprises in Australia during the June quarter 1985. More detailed preliminary estimates are available on request subject to confidentiality restrictions. The statistics are compiled from information collected in quarterly surveys of foreign investment. More reliable and detailed quarterly statistics derived from the same surveys will be published in *Foreign Investment in Enterprises in Australia* (5306.0).

Scope and coverage

2. While it is not possible to publish quarterly the same range and detail as presented in the annual publication *Foreign Investment, Australia* (5305.0), the statistics in this publication are consistent in terms of scope with the equivalent statistics in the annual publication. A detailed description of the scope of foreign investment statistics is contained in that publication.

3. Coverage of the quarterly surveys, while considered adequate, is not as complete as that of the annual surveys and the statistics derived from the former are subject to revision as additional information, particularly the results of the annual surveys, becomes available.

Main aggregates

4. These statistics cover inflows of foreign investment in enterprises in Australia (other than undistributed income) classified by:

(a) type of investment;
(b) country of investor; and
(c) industry of the enterprise receiving the investment.

Concepts, definitions and terms

5. The concepts, definitions and terms used are consistent with those used in the annual publication and are fully described and defined therein. However, for convenience, the main terms used in this publication are described briefly below:

Direct investment: investment in Australian branches of foreign enterprises by head offices and other related foreign enterprises; and, broadly speaking, investment by related foreign enterprises in companies in Australia in which 25% or more of the equity is owned by a single foreign enterprise or group of related foreign enterprises.

Portfolio investment and institutional loans: all foreign investment in enterprises in Australia, other than direct investment.

Enterprises: incorporated and unincorporated businesses including public non-monetary enterprises.

Corporate equities: ordinary shares or voting stock.

Branch liabilities to head office: net liabilities of a branch to its head office and, in the case of interest, goods and services, net liabilities to other related foreign enterprises.

Intercompany indebtedness: net amounts owing to related foreign enterprises, for dividends, interest, imports, exports, royalties, management fees and other goods and services.

Borrowings: corporate securities (other than ordinary shares), loans, advances, deposits, debentures, notes, bank overdrafts drawn, mortgages, trade credit owing to unrelated foreign enterprises for imports with a contractual maturity of over six months.

Related publications

6. Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the *Catalogue of Publications, Australia* (1101.0). The ABS also issues, on Tuesdays and Fridays, a *Publications Advice* (1105.0) which lists publications to be released in the next few days. The Catalogue and Publications Advice are available from any ABS office.

Symbols and other usages

— nil or rounded to zero
. . not applicable

7. Amounts shown are on a net basis; a negative value denotes a net withdrawal of investment.

8. All figures have been rounded, and discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.

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TABLE 1. INFLOW OF FOREIGN INVESTMENT (EXCLUDING UNDISTRIBUTED INCOME) IN ENTERPRISES IN AUSTRALIA, BY TYPE OF INVESTMENT
($A million)

	Direct investment					Portfolio investment and institutional loans				
							Borrowings			
Period	*Corporate equities*	*Branch liabilities to head office*	*Inter-company indebtedness*	*Borrowings*	*Total*	*Corporate equities*	*Public non-monetary enterprises*	*Other*	*Total*	*Total*
Year—										
1982-83	391	574	68	440	1,474	857	2,172	5,047	8,076	9,550
1983-84	218	-782	603	1,411	1,450	537	2,490	3,620	6,647	8,097
1984-85	52	33	366	1,518	1,970	215	3,171	3,597	6,984	8,953
1984—										
March qtr	15	90	-9	-71	24	209	1,522	423	2,154	2,179
June qtr	48	-1,574	454	364	-709	-50	271	1,751	1,971	1,262
September qtr	-193	162	224	790	983	20	251	912	1,183	2,166
December qtr	52	-109	-178	-88	-323	-191	1,369	1,350	2,528	2,205
1985—										
March qtr	-49	-28	147	183	253	139	1,439	1,149	2,727	2,979
June qtr	242	9	173	633	1,057	248	112	187	546	1,603

TABLE 2. INFLOW OF FOREIGN INVESTMENT (EXCLUDING UNDISTRIBUTED INCOME) IN ENTERPRISES IN AUSTRALIA, BY COUNTRY(a)
($A million)

	EEC									
Period	*U.K.*	*Other(b)*	*Switzer-land*	*U.S.A.*	*Canada*	*Japan*	*ASEAN(c)*	*Other countries(d)*	*Un-allocated*	*Total*
Year—										
1982-83	2,036	1,001	218	1,344	55	2,726	1,157	1,012	..	9,550
1983-84	1,780	671	202	902	22	1,389	2,178	953	..	8,097
1984-85	1,643	694	288	1,851	137	816	882	1,950	691	8,953
1984—										
March qtr	358	189	30	641	20	151	176	-29	644	2,179
June qtr	245	269	46	-892	-13	331	676	616	-16	1,262
September qtr	154	109	68	235	17	292	794	450	48	2,166
December qtr	487	247	34	655	21	140	99	431	91	2,205
1985—										
March qtr	440	184	-3	572	62	363	247	654	458	2,979
June qtr	562	154	188	389	37	22	-258	414	95	1,603

(a) That part of portfolio investment and institutional loans placed through brokers and nominees is not allocated by country on a quarterly basis. For this reason the sums of the four quarters do not always equal the corresponding annual country totals. (b) Belgium, Denmark, France, Federal Republic of Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg and Netherlands. (c) Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore and Thailand. Also includes Brunei from 1 January 1984. (d) Includes bonds, etc. issued on the international capital market for which no individual country details are available.

TABLE 3. INFLOW OF FOREIGN INVESTMENT (EXCLUDING UNDISTRIBUTED INCOME) IN ENTERPRISES IN AUSTRALIA, BY INDUSTRY(a)
($A million)

ASIC Division / *Period*	*Mining (Div. B)*	*Manu-facturing (Div. C)*	*Electricity, gas & water (Div. D)*	*Wholesale & retail trade (Div. F)*	*Transport & storage (Div. G)*	*Finance, property, etc. (Div. I)*	*Other industries*	*Unallocated*	*Total*
Year—									
1982-83	3,024	1,457	2,464	658	349	1,231	367	..	9,550
1983-84	331	1,088	1,249	1,664	255	2,987	523	..	8,097
1984-85	368	792	578	2,060	-4	4,188	279	691	8,953
1984—									
March qtr	261	245	313	370	37	302	7	644	2,179
June qtr	-1,238	977	144	579	-21	710	126	-16	1,262
September qtr	326	-167	324	-28	37	1,538	89	48	2,166
December qtr	-75	672	341	625	-78	582	47	91	2,205
1985—									
March qtr	118	105	-44	1,244	20	969	110	458	2,979
June qtr	-1	182	-43	220	18	1,100	33	95	1,603

(a) That part of portfolio investment and institutional loans placed through brokers and nominees is not allocated by industry on a quarterly basis. For this reason, the sums of the four quarters do not always equal the corresponding annual totals for industry groups.

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