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SAVINGS BANKS STATISTICS
PRELIMINARY STATEMENT - DECEMBER 1973

The figures contained in the following tables in respect of the latest month shown are preliminary and subject to revision when the information is published in the monthly bulletin *Banking Statistics* (Reference No. 5.2). The information has been prepared from returns submitted under the *Banking Act 1959-1973* (voluntarily by State savings banks).

2. This statement includes seasonally adjusted figures of depositors' balances - Table 2. Details of the methods used in seasonally adjusting this and other series are given in Seasonally Adjusted Indicators (Reference No. 1.10), and in Appendix A to *Banking Statistics* January 1973.

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

TABLE 1. - SAVINGS BANKS : DEPOSITORS' BALANCES
(\$ million)

	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia
1972 -									
November	2,956.9	3,184.0	1,167.7	950.4	554.2	264.2	35.2	80.1	9,192.8
December	2,968.9	3,225.9	1,175.5	957.6	554.0	264.8	34.7	80.4	9,261.8
1973 -									
January	3,017.7	3,284.3	1,192.1	976.0	563.1	268.2	34.1	81.7	9,417.3
February	3,060.3	3,332.8	1,211.7	999.6	573.7	273.1	34.3	83.6	9,569.0
March	3,093.7	3,381.9	1,232.0	1,015.0	581.7	277.2	34.9	84.0	9,700.3
April	3,118.8	3,383.6	1,236.8	1,018.0	582.2	278.9	35.0	83.5	9,736.7
May	3,193.0	3,445.2	1,270.9	1,028.6	592.3	283.0	35.8	86.5	9,935.3
June	3,294.3	3,538.8	1,319.9	1,060.4	608.1	289.0	37.9	89.5	10,237.9
July	3,345.8	3,614.6	1,354.2	1,075.9	620.5	296.1	38.6	92.5	10,438.1
August	3,406.2	3,702.4	1,383.7	1,093.3	639.6	305.0	40.5	96.0	10,666.7
September	3,438.9	3,759.4	1,401.7	1,103.6	650.7	308.9	42.1	98.6	10,803.9
October	3,443.0	3,772.1	1,392.1	1,104.6	655.2	309.8	43.6	97.2	10,817.8
November	3,436.1	3,801.1	1,392.7	1,109.5	659.8	311.6	43.7	97.1	10,851.6
December	3,424.6	3,803.7	1,392.0	1,111.4	658.1	311.1	43.2	97.2	10,841.3
Variation between November 1973 and December 1973	-11.5	+2.6	-0.7	+1.9	-1.7	-0.5	-0.5	+0.1	-10.3
Interest credited during December 1973	0.8	0.7	0.3	3.2	0.1	0.1	..	..	5.3

NOTE. The figures above exclude depositors' balances in Papua New Guinea and Other External Territories. At the end of December 1973, depositors' balances in Other External Territories were \$3.3 million.

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

	Depositors' balances		Variation in depositors' balances over previous month	
	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted
1972 -				
November	9,192.8	9,087.3	+129.9	+155.0
December	9,261.8	9,239.1	+ 69.0	+151.8
1973 -				
January	9,417.3	9,447.5	+155.5	+208.4
February	9,569.0	9,614.0	+151.7	+166.5
March	9,700.3	9,777.8	+131.3	+163.8
April	9,736.7	9,884.8	+ 36.4	+107.0
May	9,935.3	10,072.1	+198.6	+187.3
June	10,237.9	10,247.9	+302.6	+175.8
July	10,438.1	10,428.9	+200.2	+181.0
August	10,666.7	10,595.6	+228.6	+166.7
September	10,803.9	10,690.6	+137.2	+ 95.0
October	10,817.8	10,678.6	+ 13.9	- 12.0
November	10,851.6	10,724.2	+ 33.8	+ 45.6
December	10,841.3	10,799.0	- 10.3	+ 74.8

(a) Excludes Papua New Guinea and Other External Territories.

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

	Coin, bullion and notes	Deposits with Reserve Bank	Deposits with trading banks	Commonwealth and State Government securities		Loans to authorised dealers in the short-term money market	Loans, advances and bills discounted		All other assets	Total	
				Treasury bills and Treasury notes	Local and semi-government securities		Housing	Other			
				Other							
1972 -											
November	23.6	1,172.8	187.3	127.9	2,453.9	2,323.2	63.8	2,756.5	301.8	350.7	9,761.5
December	25.4	1,226.3	188.8	127.1	2,453.3	2,342.4	42.1	2,795.5	306.5	353.2	9,860.7
1973 -											
January	23.4	1,402.9	210.3	85.8	2,417.7	2,367.4	40.7	2,813.8	304.9	358.4	10,025.2
February	24.9	1,352.3	236.5	154.0	2,492.8	2,381.2	46.2	2,844.2	310.3	368.0	10,210.4
March	21.8	1,348.8	232.7	131.6	2,583.1	2,397.6	64.6	2,885.6	319.7	376.6	10,362.0
April	21.8	1,291.4	252.3	105.0	2,629.7	2,415.8	83.7	2,927.1	328.0	381.8	10,443.6
May	23.0	1,277.0	241.6	137.7	2,702.7	2,427.2	89.3	2,982.8	331.8	391.5	10,603.4
June	23.0	1,326.0	231.9	107.2	2,701.6	2,437.4	124.0	3,041.2	310.0	427.7	10,730.0
July	25.9	1,392.4	250.6	78.0	2,745.7	2,480.3	120.5	3,101.1	332.8	380.0	10,907.4
August	22.6	1,375.0	248.8	108.9	2,806.8	2,587.1	130.6	3,172.1	338.7	382.5	11,173.1
September	20.2	1,459.5	224.1	94.1	2,841.7	2,635.8	69.0	3,243.1	353.2	386.2	11,326.8
October	23.5	1,432.8	207.0	115.3	2,831.8	2,662.5	67.6	3,306.7	364.4	372.9	11,384.6
November	25.6	1,439.6	234.6	60.0	2,836.4	2,707.5	57.4	3,354.9	374.1	378.1	11,468.3
December	30.3	1,343.8	242.4	78.6	2,815.4	2,737.3	40.9	3,403.4	401.9	376.5	11,470.5
Variation between											
November 1973 and											
December 1973	+4.7	-95.8	+7.8	+18.6	-21.0	+29.8	-16.5	+48.5	+27.8	-1.6	+2.2

(a) Up to May 1973 includes assets in Papua New Guinea and Other External Territories. From June 1973 excludes assets in Papua New Guinea but includes assets in Other External Territories.

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