

Reference No. 5.28

SAVINGS BANKS STATISTICS PRELIMINARY STATEMENT - MARCH 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 1959-1967* (voluntarily by State savings banks).

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.

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 -									
February	2,651.3	2,739.9	996.4	837.2	495.1	235.8	30.5	69.5	8,055.7
March	2,654.5	2,754.3	1,003.4	843.7	498.0	237.5	30.4	70.5	8,092.3
April	2,667.9	2,764.6	1,007.7	842.9	497.8	238.3	30.9	70.5	8,120.6
May	2,693.8	2,783.9	1,024.2	848.1	500.4	239.6	31.3	71.1	8,192.4
June	2,753.7	2,852.0	1,052.9	874.1	511.5	242.9	32.0	72.4	8,391.4
July	2,790.3	2,914.0	1,074.8	888.0	518.9	247.6	32.5	74.5	8,540.5
August	2,835.8	2,986.7	1,101.6	902.5	528.0	253.7	33.2	77.2	8,718.7
September	2,873.7	3,061.4	1,122.9	914.6	539.6	257.7	34.7	77.8	8,882.4
October	2,926.9	3,131.5	1,148.4	932.7	547.9	261.2	35.4	79.1	9,062.9
November	2,956.9	3,184.0	1,167.7	950.4	554.2	264.2	35.2	80.1	9,152.8
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
Variation between February 1973 and March 1973	+33.4	+49.1	+20.3	+15.4	+8.0	+4.1	+0.6	+0.4	+131.3
Interest credited during March 1973	0.7	0.8	0.3	0.2	0.1	1.5	..	..	3.5

NOTE. Depositors' balances in Papua, New Guinea and Other External Territories at the end of March 1973 not included above were respectively : \$11.2 million; \$25.1 million; \$3.5 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 -				
February	8,055.7	8,082.3	+ 67.9	+ 57.8
March	8,092.3	8,168.2	+ 36.6	+ 85.9
April	8,120.6	8,230.9	+ 28.3	+ 62.7
May	8,192.4	8,306.5	+ 71.8	+ 75.6
June	8,391.4	8,410.4	+199.0	+103.9
July	8,540.5	8,519.1	+149.1	+108.7
August	8,718.7	8,662.0	+178.2	+142.9
September	8,882.4	8,801.7	+163.7	+139.7
October	9,062.9	8,932.3	+180.5	+130.6
November	9,152.8	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

(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		Local and semi-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	Other			Housing	Other		
1972 -											
February	22.2	783.3	119.1	34.5	2,382.0	2,116.2	62.7	2,511.2	261.8	336.3	8,629.3
March	17.0	773.8	121.8	53.5	2,380.9	2,134.0	65.9	2,549.9	265.9	338.6	8,701.5
April	18.6	788.8	120.9	40.7	2,377.6	2,140.0	81.5	2,569.5	267.6	342.1	8,747.4
May	19.4	792.0	130.7	56.2	2,373.7	2,141.5	66.3	2,592.6	271.6	347.4	8,791.4
June	19.0	802.9	161.8	40.0	2,366.8	2,149.6	67.5	2,620.7	269.3	375.1	8,872.6
July	21.3	904.8	171.5	49.0	2,335.8	2,179.0	70.5	2,645.1	278.9	344.1	9,000.0
August	18.7	996.1	171.5	38.1	2,389.3	2,215.6	69.6	2,668.0	287.7	341.8	9,196.4
September	20.4	1,135.1	185.0	52.8	2,355.3	2,245.4	42.4	2,699.6	293.3	349.9	9,379.3
October	23.2	1,202.6	167.6	128.2	2,371.0	2,283.3	49.7	2,728.4	298.1	346.0	9,598.2
November	23.6	1,172.8	187.4	127.9	2,453.9	2,323.2	63.8	2,756.4	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	39.3	2,886.2	319.1	402.0	10,362.0
Variation between February 1973 and March 1973	-3.1	-3.5	-3.8	-22.4	+90.3	+16.4	-6.9	+42.0	+8.8	+34.0	+151.6

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

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