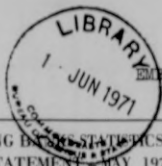


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MAJOR TRADING BANKS STATISTICS
PRELIMINARY STATEMENT - MAY 1971

Reference No. 5.3

Tables 1 and 2 of this statement have been prepared from returns submitted under the Banking Act 1959-67 and show the average of selected liabilities and assets within Australia (including Papua, New Guinea and Other External Territories) of the Major Trading Banks as at the close of business on Wednesdays in May 1971. The figures are preliminary and subject to revision when the statement of Average Liabilities and Assets is published in the Commonwealth Gazette. Totals for April 1971 are included for comparative purposes.

2. Table 3 of this statement shows details for the Major Trading Banks of new and increased lending commitments (weekly average for periods ended second Wednesday) and overdraft limits (as at second Wednesday in the month). This information is compiled by the Reserve Bank. For a more detailed description of these items see "Monthly Bulletin of Banking Statistics" (Reference No. 5.2).

3. This statement contains seasonally adjusted figures of total deposits, total advances, and liquid assets and Commonwealth Government securities which have been revised following annual re-analysis - see footnotes to Tables 1 and 2. Details of the methods used in seasonally adjusting these series will be included in "Seasonally Adjusted Indicators 1971" (Reference No. 1.10) to be issued shortly. Seasonally adjusted figures for "other" advances are provided in footnote (b) Table 2, and details of the methods used in seasonally adjusting this series are given in Appendix A to the "Monthly Bulletin of Banking Statistics", January 1971.

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

TABLE 1. - LIABILITIES WITHIN AUSTRALIA

(\$ million)

	Deposits				Balances due to other banks (b)	Bills payable and all other liabilities to public	Total liabilities
	Fixed	Current		Total (a)			
		Bearing interest	Not bearing interest				
Commonwealth Trading Bank	757.5	77.8	666.2	1,501.4	13.9	25.5	1,540.9
Australia and New Zealand Banking Group (c)	594.4	63.1	818.8	1,476.3	126.6	88.0	1,690.8
The Bank of Adelaide	40.5	6.9	53.6	101.0	4.3	4.6	109.8
Bank of New South Wales	737.8	89.1	874.2	1,701.1	67.5	33.1	1,801.6
The Commercial Bank of Australia	249.9	30.2	312.4	592.5	19.6	66.1	678.2
The Commercial Banking Company of Sydney	255.2	35.7	307.9	598.8	25.5	38.6	662.8
The National Bank of Australasia	421.8	57.7	464.6	944.1	27.5	59.5	1,031.1
<u>Total, May 1971</u>	3,057.0	360.6	3,497.6	6,915.1	284.9	315.3	7,515.3
<u>Total, April 1971</u>	3,094.1	376.2	3,574.4	7,044.7	291.0	302.2	7,637.9

(a) Seasonally adjusted total deposits, April 1971 - r\$6,952.2 million; May 1971 - \$6,964.1 million.

(b) Includes short-term loans from the Reserve Bank and amounts owing in respect of loans refinanced by the Australian Resources Development Bank.

(c) As from 1 October 1970 the Australia and New Zealand Banking Group took over the banking business of the Australia and New Zealand Bank and the English, Scottish and Australian Bank. During May 1971 the Australia and New Zealand Bank and The English, Scottish and Australian Bank had no liabilities within Australia but see Table 2 for details of assets within Australia.

r Revised following annual re-analysis.

TABLE 2. - ASSETS WITHIN AUSTRALIA

(\$ million)

	Liquid assets and Commonwealth Government securities				Loans to authorised dealers in the short-term money market	Statutory reserve deposit account with Reserve Bank	Loans, advances and bills discounted (b)	All other assets (c)	Total assets
	Cash and cash with Reserve Bank	Commonwealth and State Government securities		Total (a)					
		Treasury bills and Treasury notes	Other securities						
Commonwealth Trading Bank	34.7	71.1	303.3	409.1	11.5	135.1	943.7	99.5	1,598.8
Australia and New Zealand Banking Group (d)	44.4	17.6	218.8	280.8	7.2	133.9	1,067.0	136.5	1,625.3
Australia and New Zealand Bank (d)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	19.8	19.8
The English, Scottish and Australian Bank (d)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	14.4	14.4
The Bank of Adelaide	3.9	0.7	15.4	20.0	..	9.6	68.9	44.6	143.0
Bank of New South Wales	36.7	78.0	277.6	392.3	56.6	156.2	1,184.4	134.2	1,923.7
The Commercial Bank of Australia	11.1	10.9	88.9	110.9	4.5	53.4	416.8	118.5	703.9
The Commercial Banking Company of Sydney	15.2	6.8	97.5	119.5	10.8	54.2	406.4	73.4	664.4
The National Bank of Australasia	23.3	24.4	156.5	204.2	9.3	86.9	633.2	139.9	1,073.7
Total, May 1971	169.3	209.5	1,157.9	1,536.7	99.9	629.3	4,720.3	780.8	7,767.0
Total, April 1971	178.7	338.1	1,154.8	1,671.6	74.4	652.8	4,704.9	764.6	7,868.3

	Original		Seasonally adjusted	
	April \$m	May \$m	April \$m	May \$m
(a) Total liquid assets and Cwlth Govt securities	1,671.6	1,536.7	1,616.1	1,635.3
(b) Excludes loans to authorised dealers in the short-term money market. Total loans comprise:				
Temporary advances to woolbuyers	109.1	111.2	} not available	
Term loans outstanding	588.5	589.7		
Farm development loans outstanding	85.1	86.7		
Other	3,922.2	3,932.7	3,913.8	3,883.1
Total loans, advances etc.	4,704.9	4,720.3	4,678.4	4,661.6

(c) Includes accounts with Reserve Bank: Term loan fund account April 1971 - \$27.3 million; May 1971 - \$27.0 million. Farm development loan fund account April 1971 - \$35.2 million; May 1971 - \$33.9 million.

(d) See Table 1, footnote (c).

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TABLE 3. - NEW AND INCREASED LENDING COMMITMENTS ANDOVERDRAFT LIMITSSource : Reserve Bank of Australia

(\$ million)

	April 1971	May 1971
New and increased lending commitments (a)	37.0	36.0
Overdraft limits (b)	5,940.7	5,959.2

- (a) Weekly average for period ended second Wednesday in the month; excludes temporary advances to woolbuyers, but includes commitments for some operations of the Australian Wool Commission and commitments to Pastoral Finance Companies for financing advances to growers under the Wool Prices Averaging Plan.
- (b) As at second Wednesday in the month; excludes temporary advances to woolbuyers, terms loans and farm development loans.

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