



SAVINGS BANKS, AUSTRALIA, MARCH 1984

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MAIN FEATURES

Depositors' balances at the end of March 1984 were \$33,899 million. This was \$409 million less than in February 1984 but \$5,218 million more than in March 1983.

In seasonally adjusted terms depositors' balances for March 1984 were \$33,804 million, \$26 million more than in February 1984.

3. This publication incorporates revisions made to previous statistics in this series.

Related publications

4. Users may wish to refer to the following publications which are available on request:

Banking, Australia (5605.0)—issued quarterly

Major Trading Banks, Australia (5603.0)—issued monthly

5. 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

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

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

The figures contained in the following tables have been prepared from returns submitted under the *Banking Act 1959* (voluntarily by State savings banks). These statistics are presented as being for calendar months though only five banks report for the exact calendar month; one bank reports as at the last Monday of each month and seven banks report as at the last Wednesday of each month.

Seasonal adjustment

2. Details of the methods used in seasonally adjusting depositors' balances (Table 2) and other series are given in *Seasonally Adjusted Indicators, Australia* (1308.0).

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

	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia
1983—									
February	7,961	10,766	4,019	2,943	1,908	940	133	266	28,935
March	7,894	10,784	3,919	2,906	1,854	928	133	263	28,681
April	7,828	10,697	3,888	2,871	1,823	921	133	262	28,424
May	8,071	10,904	4,017	2,899	1,869	935	138	274	29,106
June	8,304	11,307	4,136	2,979	1,911	938	145	286	30,006
July	8,424	11,380	4,198	3,026	1,936	947	149	294	30,352
August	8,610	11,614	4,291	3,062	2,015	989	154	300	31,034
September	8,748	11,799	4,384	3,099	2,039	998	159	304	31,528
October	8,838	11,910	4,419	3,127	2,052	1,005	162	309	31,822
November	8,895	12,016	4,456	3,144	2,076	1,019	168	316	32,091
December	9,282	12,308	4,639	3,257	2,151	1,039	170	335	33,181
1984—									
January	9,449	12,524	4,702	3,370	2,238	1,067	169	343	33,861
February	9,568	12,708	4,737	3,420	2,264	1,101	168	342	34,308
March	9,426	12,631	4,657	3,373	2,216	1,089	169	338	33,999
March 1984—									
Deposits	2,112	7,521	1,267	1,558	520	258	64	153	13,454
Withdrawals	2,263	7,603	1,350	1,608	570	273	64	157	13,888
Interest credited	8	6	4	3	—	3	—	—	26

(a) Excludes external territories (Christmas, Cocos and Norfolk Islands): March 1984, \$14 million.

TABLE 2. SAVINGS BANKS : NUMBER OF OPERATIVE ACCOUNTS
AND DEPOSITORS' BALANCES (ORIGINAL AND SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)(a)

	Number of operative accounts ('000)			Depositors' balances at end of month (\$ million)				Variation in depositors' balances over previous month (\$ million)	
	Investment accounts/ deposit stock	All other accounts	Total	Investment accounts/ deposit stock	All other accounts	Total original	Seasonally adjusted	Total original	Seasonally adjusted
1983—									
January	2,696	20,778	23,474	15,164	13,771	28,935	28,492	+780	+631
February	2,719	20,808	23,526	14,870	13,810	28,681	28,612	-254	+120
March	2,771	20,896	23,667	14,697	13,727	28,424	28,797	-257	+185
April	2,825	20,990	23,815	15,234	13,871	29,106	29,394	+682	+597
May	2,848	21,015	23,863	15,591	14,415	30,006	29,939	+900	+545
June	2,886	20,982	23,868	15,932	14,420	30,352	30,470	+346	+531
July	2,920	20,871	23,791	16,424	14,610	31,034	31,098	+682	+628
August	2,964	20,903	23,867	16,731	14,798	31,528	31,661	+494	+563
September	2,975	20,860	23,835	16,901	14,921	31,822	31,934	+294	+273
October	2,989	20,584	23,573	17,110	14,981	32,091	32,189	+269	+255
November	3,001	20,520	23,521	18,032	15,148	33,181	33,009	+1,090	+820
December									
1984—									
January	3,026	20,655	23,681	18,656	15,206	33,861	33,480	+680	+471
February	3,039	20,851	23,890	18,881	15,426	34,308	33,778	+447	+298
March	3,042	20,972	24,014	18,400	15,499	33,899	33,804	-409	+26

(a) Excludes external territories.

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

	Coin, and Australian notes	Deposits with Reserve Bank	Deposits with trading banks	Commonwealth Government securities		Local and semi-government securities	Loans to authorized dealers in the short-term money market	Loans, advances and bills discounted		All other assets	Total
				Treasury notes	Other			Housing(b)	Other		
1983—											
January	126	1	715	1,606	3,381	6,606	246	14,018	3,110	1,759	31,567
February	115	47	496	1,256	3,579	6,744	404	14,438	3,091	1,519	31,689
March	120	1	448	1,284	3,619	6,855	247	14,589	2,982	1,411	31,556
April	146	76	527	1,159	3,625	6,907	353	14,683	2,857	1,404	31,736
May	121	2	451	676	3,911	7,008	581	14,766	3,054	2,250	32,819
June	113	26	543	879	4,133	7,084	263	14,866	3,043	1,424	32,373
July	128	1	465	1,260	4,130	7,093	564	15,016	3,108	1,388	33,153
August	120	3	722	1,456	4,509	7,162	272	15,288	3,157	1,407	34,096
September	131	41	581	1,499	4,729	7,071	370	15,426	3,205	1,375	34,427
October	153	1	447	933	5,178	7,483	529	15,587	3,083	1,400	34,794
November	138	121	476	1,119	5,561	7,660	433	15,777	3,169	1,334	35,787
December											
1984—											
January	141	1	518	1,155	5,744	7,870	476	15,868	3,572	1,334	36,679
February	154	1	635	1,394	5,818	7,932	234	16,023	3,748	1,431	37,369
March	138	1	434	1,083	6,077	7,821	532	16,287	3,187	1,668	37,228

(a) Includes assets in external territories. (b) Includes loans to individuals and building societies.