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BANKING STATISTICS - MAJOR TRADING BANKS
PRELIMINARY STATEMENT - APRIL 1970

Tables 1 and 2 of this statement have been prepared from returns submitted under the Banking Act 1959-1967 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 April 1970. The figures are preliminary and subject to revision when the statement of Average Liabilities and Assets is published in the Commonwealth Gazette. Totals for March 1970 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" January 1970. (Reference No. 5.2.)

3. This statement contains seasonally adjusted totals of deposits and advances - see footnote (b) of Table 1 and footnote (b) Table 2. Details of the methods used in seasonally adjusting these and other series are given in "Seasonally Adjusted Indicators 1969" (Reference No. 1.10) issued on 22 May 1969 and in Appendix A to "Monthly Bulletin of Banking Statistics" January 1969.

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

TABLE 1. - LIABILITIES WITHIN AUSTRALIA
(\$ million)

Bank	Deposits				Balances due to other banks (a)	Bills payable and all other liabilities to public	Total liabilities
	Fixed	Current		Total			
		Bearing interest	Not bearing interest				
Commonwealth Trading Bank	687.6	72.9	658.6	1,419.1	12.7	19.6	1,451.4
Australia and New Zealand Bank	386.1	33.9	538.0	958.0	68.6	42.6	1,069.2
The Bank of Adelaide	45.2	5.4	59.2	109.9	4.2	2.4	116.5
Bank of New South Wales	705.6	106.0	879.8	1,691.3	26.7	32.3	1,750.3
The Commercial Bank of Australia	237.9	28.2	323.8	589.9	8.8	15.8	614.5
The Commercial Banking Company of Sydney	266.0	34.1	315.1	615.2	12.9	32.5	660.5
The English, Scottish and Australian Bank	196.5	29.4	310.7	536.5	54.6	50.5	641.7
The National Bank of Australasia	414.9	65.1	491.5	971.6	20.3	69.5	1,061.4
<u>Total, April 1970</u>	2,939.7	375.0	3,576.7	(b)6,891.4	208.9	265.2	7,365.5
<u>Total, March 1970</u>	2,888.4	397.7	3,677.6	(b)6,963.7	187.5	254.8	7,406.1

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

(b) Seasonally adjusted total deposits, March 1970 \$6,750.5 million; April 1970 \$6,807.2 million.

Reference No. 5.3.

TABLE 2. - ASSETS WITHIN AUSTRALIA
(\$ million)

Bank	Liquid assets and Commonwealth Government securities				Loans to authorised dealers in the short-term money market	Statutory reserve deposit account with Reserve Bank	Loans (a), advances and bills discounted	All other assets	Total assets
	Cash and cash with Reserve Bank	Commonwealth and State Government securities		Total					
		Treasury bills and Treasury notes	Other securities						
Commonwealth Trading Bank	34.9	25.3	339.1	399.4	6.7	142.1	800.3	84.2	1,432.5
Australia and New Zealand Bank	28.0	17.2	133.0	178.3	1.2	97.1	664.6	96.1	1,037.3
Bank of Adelaide	4.0	1.7	16.1	21.8	2.0	11.3	68.6	40.1	143.8
Bank of New South Wales	37.5	45.7	328.1	411.2	20.7	171.2	1,112.6	133.0	1,848.8
The Commercial Bank of Australia	11.9	19.0	87.4	118.3	5.7	59.4	399.2	63.1	645.7
The Commercial Banking Company of Sydney	14.5	6.9	117.0	138.4	21.6	61.4	381.1	65.2	667.7
The English, Scottish and Australian Bank	16.2	3.8	91.3	111.4	8.8	54.1	357.5	86.2	617.9
The National Bank of Australasia	22.6	16.1	175.4	214.1	10.9	98.0	604.4	131.9	1,059.3
<u>Total, April 1970</u>	169.7	135.8	1,287.5	1,592.9	77.7	694.5	(b)4,388.2	(c)699.8	7,453.1
<u>Total, March 1970</u>	153.5	262.8	1,344.1	1,760.4	130.9	684.2	(b)4,160.4	(c)679.4	7,415.3

(a) Excludes loans to authorised dealers in the short-term money market.

(b) Total loans, advances and bills discounted comprises :

	Original		Seasonally Adjusted		(c) Includes accounts with Reserve Bank:	March \$m	April \$m
	March \$m	April \$m	March \$m	April \$m			
Temporary advances to woolbuyers	149.9	147.3	Not available		Term loan fund accounts	24.7	21.6
Term loans outstanding	460.4	473.0					
Farm development loans outstanding	76.4	76.8					
Other	<u>3,473.7</u>	<u>3,691.1</u>	<u>3,611.7</u>	<u>3,687.8</u>	Farm development loan fund accounts	11.1	10.9
<u>Total</u>	4,160.4	4,388.2	4,283.3	4,367.7			

TABLE 3. - NEW AND INCREASED LENDING COMMITMENTS AND OVERDRAFT LIMITS (see paragraph 2 page 1)
New and increased lending commitments, March 1970 - \$36.8 million; April 1970 - \$35.1 million
Overdraft limits, March 1970 - \$5,486.2 million; April 1970 - \$5,537.3 million.

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