

SAVINGS BANK STATISTICS
PRELIMINARY STATEMENT - OCTOBER 1971

Reference No. 5.28

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 of 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).

2. This statement includes seasonally adjusted figures of depositors' balances - Table 2 page 2. Details of the methods used in seasonally adjusting this and other series are given in "Seasonally Adjusted Indicators 1971" (Reference No. 1.10) issued on 2 July 1971.

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

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

	At end of -				Variation between September 1971 and October 1971
	September 1970	October 1970	September 1971	October 1971	
N.S.W.	2,439.7	2,458.4	2,604.8	2,626.9	+ 24.1
Vic.	2,446.6	2,479.3	2,688.2	2,728.8	+ 40.6
Qld	901.8	906.5	979.0	985.2	+ 6.2
S.A.	746.8	752.0	810.7	816.7	+ 6.0
W.A.	443.7	448.0	489.6	493.0	+ 3.4
Tas.	205.8	206.0	229.7	231.8	+ 2.1
N.M.	24.0	24.7	30.4	31.3	+ 0.9
A.C.T.	57.9	59.0	67.4	68.5	+ 1.1
<u>AUSTRALIA</u>	7,266.2	7,333.8	7,899.8	7,984.1	+ 84.3

(a) Interest credited to depositors' accounts during each of the months shown was respectively : \$3.1 million; \$0.6 million; \$5.3 million; \$0.7 million;

NOTE. Depositors' balances in Papua, New Guinea and other External Territories at the end of October 1971 not included above were respectively : \$15.6million; \$33.0 million; \$ 2.4 million.

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

At end of -	Depositors' balances		Variation in depositors' balances over previous month	
	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted
1967 October	6,001.2	5,940.0	+ 49.0	+ 42.3
1968 October	6,442.4	6,372.2	+ 57.3	+ 37.2
1969 October	6,277.6	6,889.7	+ 77.3	+ 45.8
1970 September	7,266.2	7,196.1	+ 61.7	+ 40.3
October	7,333.8	7,252.1	+ 67.7	+ 56.0
November	7,377.5	7,304.4	+ 43.7	+ 52.3
December	7,362.8	7,349.7	- 14.7	+ 45.3
1971 January	7,358.4	7,365.6	- 4.4	+ 15.9
February	7,418.9	7,434.0	+ 60.5	+ 68.4
March	7,427.3	7,492.6	+ 8.4	+ 58.6
April	7,448.3	7,578.8	+ 21.0	+ 86.2
May	7,509.5	7,602.9	+ 61.2	+ 24.1
June	7,634.5	7,644.9	+125.0	+ 42.0
July	7,708.0	7,684.8	+ 73.5	+ 39.9
August	7,814.0	7,750.3	+106.0	+ 65.5
September	7,899.8	7,835.8	+ 85.8	+ 85.5
October	7,984.1	7,893.0	+ 84.3	+ 57.2

(a) Excludes Papua, New Guinea and other External Territories.

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

	At end of -				Variation between September 1971 and October 1971
	September 1970	October 1970	September 1971	October 1971	
Coin, bullion and notes	16.5	15.3	16.2	16.7	+ 0.5
Deposits with Reserve Bank	552.8	513.4	689.1	726.2	+ 37.1
Deposits with trading banks	147.4	149.2	134.1	127.8	- 6.3
Commonwealth and State Government securities -					
Treasury bills and Treasury notes	139.3	217.2	72.9	82.4	+ 9.5
Other	2,278.0	2,294.4	2,345.7	2,360.9	+ 15.2
Local and semi-government securities	1,829.5	1,842.9	2,022.1	2,041.4	+ 19.3
Loans to authorised dealers in the short-term money market	53.1	58.1	82.6	98.6	+ 16.0
Loans, advances and bills discounted -					
Housing	2,195.6	2,210.8	2,429.9	2,445.6	+ 15.7
Other	208.7	206.3	251.5	247.2	- 4.3
All other assets	276.3	275.3	316.5	322.1	+ 5.6
TOTAL	7,697.2	7,782.9	8,360.6	8,468.9	+108.3

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

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