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SUMMARY OF MOVEMENTS

	February 1978	Change over previous month	Change over previous February
	\$m	\$m	\$m
Depositors' Balances			
Investment Accounts/Deposit Stock	6,756	+71	+824
All Other Accounts	10,788	+92	+629
Total			
— Original	17,543	+164	+1,453
— Seasonally Adjusted	17,516	+175	+1,496
Loans for Housing — Balances Outstanding	7,940	+65	+1,097

EXPLANATORY NOTES

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 bulletin *Banking* (5605.0). The information has been prepared from returns submitted under the *Banking Act* 1959 (voluntarily by State savings banks).

2. Details of the methods used in seasonally adjusting *Depositors' Balances* (Table 2) and other series are given in *Seasonally Adjusted Indicators* (1308.0), and in Appendix A to *Banking* (5605.0) of December 1977.

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

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

	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia
1977 —									
January	4,622.2	5,795.1	2,073.7	1,728.1	953.6	461.0	74.7	136.7	15,845.1
February	4,678.9	5,897.0	2,101.8	1,760.5	965.1	471.5	75.5	140.0	16,090.3
March	4,647.5	5,866.1	2,073.1	1,739.2	954.9	469.8	74.2	139.8	15,964.5
April	4,646.3	5,856.2	2,059.1	1,728.1	945.7	467.3	73.4	137.6	15,913.6
May	4,698.7	5,856.9	2,094.2	1,735.3	950.0	470.0	73.2	138.5	16,016.9
June	4,803.2	5,977.5	2,148.7	1,780.8	960.5	477.1	74.7	142.7	16,365.3
July	4,828.9	6,046.2	2,175.6	1,789.4	966.2	480.3	75.5	142.7	16,504.8
August	4,861.7	6,120.2	2,204.3	1,796.5	973.0	491.9	75.6	143.4	16,666.6
September	4,904.2	6,201.0	2,245.5	1,811.9	994.9	497.0	76.2	145.3	16,876.0
October	4,963.9	6,229.5	2,323.4	1,830.6	1,007.3	501.6	77.4	148.2	17,082.0
November	4,965.2	6,224.7	2,332.4	1,838.1	1,013.3	503.8	77.1	148.6	17,103.2
December	4,997.7	6,283.8	2,347.4	1,870.6	1,017.0	503.7	76.9	150.8	17,247.9
1978 —									
January	5,037.3	6,353.7	2,350.6	1,879.6	1,026.3	508.0	73.6	150.6	17,379.6
February	5,079.2	6,419.4	2,364.2	1,899.6	1,034.5	520.5	72.9	152.8	17,543.1
February 1978									
Deposits	797.7	1,498.3	408.5	393.4	181.0	81.2	18.2	39.8	3,418.0
Withdrawals	757.4	1,434.2	395.7	374.1	173.0	75.9	19.0	37.7	3,267.0
Interest credited	1.6	1.6	0.8	0.7	0.3	7.3	0.1	0.1	12.5

(a) Excludes External Territories. At the end of February 1978, depositors' balances in External Territories were \$5.8 million.

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

	No. 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
1977 -											
January	1,370	18,869	20,239	5,842.2	10,002.9	15,845.1	15,819.3	+ 11.3	+ 91.2		
February	1,383	19,055	20,438	5,931.3	10,159.0	16,090.3	16,020.0	+245.2	+200.7		
March	1,389	19,146	20,535	5,873.0	10,091.5	15,964.5	16,031.2	-125.8	+ 11.2		
April	1,389	19,227	20,616	5,802.7	10,110.9	15,913.6	16,173.8	- 50.9	+142.6		
May	1,396	19,260	20,656	5,916.5	10,100.4	16,016.9	16,266.4	+103.3	+ 92.6		
June	1,410	19,257	20,667	6,060.1	10,305.1	16,365.3	16,401.4	+348.4	+135.0		
July	1,422	19,280	20,702	6,116.3	10,388.5	16,504.8	16,542.2	+139.5	+140.8		
August	1,432	19,218	20,649	6,182.3	10,484.3	16,666.6	16,635.3	+161.8	+ 93.1		
September	1,443	19,257	20,701	6,262.9	10,613.1	16,876.0	16,755.0	+209.4	+119.7		
October	1,465	19,301	20,766	6,389.1	10,692.9	17,082.0	16,866.4	+206.0	+114.4		
November	1,477	19,143	20,620	6,480.7	10,622.5	17,103.2	16,981.3	+ 21.2	+114.9		
December	1,486	19,152	20,638	6,557.5	10,690.4	17,247.9	17,131.7	+144.7	+150.4		
1978 -											
January	1,498	19,249	20,747	6,684.1	10,695.5	17,379.6	17,340.8	+131.7	+209.1		
February	1,509	19,421	20,930	6,755.5	10,787.6	17,543.1	17,515.6	+163.5	+174.8		

(a) Excludes External Territories.

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

	Australian and State Government securities										Loans to authorised dealers in the short-term money market		Loans, advances and bills discounted		All other assets		Total
	Coin, billion and notes	Deposits with Reserve Bank	Deposits with trading banks	Treasury bills and Treasury notes		Other	Local and semi-government securities	Loans, advances and bills discounted	Housing	Other	All other assets	Total					
1977 -																	
January	38.9	1,306.9	240.0	156.8	2,756.6	4,302.7	26.7	6,769.7	708.1	625.7	16,932.1						
February	45.7	1,381.9	224.7	197.0	2,778.7	4,344.5	36.2	6,843.6	729.5	658.8	17,240.5						
March	34.1	1,434.5	165.4	91.6	2,727.5	4,386.3	31.5	7,003.8	752.9	639.0	17,266.6						
April	40.6	1,250.5	202.0	99.8	2,708.3	4,404.2	52.8	7,090.5	754.8	654.5	17,258.1						
May	43.8	1,042.1	154.6	174.5	2,718.8	4,426.8	53.7	7,172.1	771.2	649.5	17,207.2						
June	40.4	1,055.6	169.3	116.0	2,604.7	4,461.4	70.8	7,258.7	775.1	742.5	17,294.5						
July	39.5	1,097.8	201.2	37.6	2,633.3	4,507.3	69.3	7,323.2	796.1	721.9	17,427.2						
August	38.9	1,077.0	195.3	57.8	2,717.9	4,533.5	60.0	7,444.4	803.1	664.7	17,592.6						
September	35.8	1,114.3	262.9	58.4	2,678.4	4,553.5	109.7	7,570.5	824.2	739.8	17,947.3						
October	40.4	1,208.2	210.0	98.7	2,758.3	4,597.3	56.0	7,639.7	869.6	717.2	18,195.5						
November	55.8	1,177.3	181.0	94.7	2,779.2	4,649.1	55.0	7,711.9	885.3	693.1	18,282.4						
December	55.2	1,096.8	203.9	122.0	2,770.6	4,720.5	96.9	7,821.1	827.8	719.4	18,434.2						
1978 -																	
January	51.1	1,093.6	214.4	180.5	2,774.4	4,763.3	87.4	7,875.2	835.5	686.3	18,561.8						
February	54.1	1,034.2	239.5	310.7	2,775.7	4,791.5	102.9	7,940.3	839.7	683.9	18,772.6						

(a) Includes assets in External Territories.

RELATED PUBLICATIONS

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

Banking (5605.0) (quarterly).*Major Trading Banks - Preliminary* (5603.0) (monthly).All publications produced by the ABS are listed in *Catalogue of Publications 1977* (1101.0) which is available free of charge from any ABS office.
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