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SAVINGS BANKS, AUSTRALIA, FEBRUARY 1983

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MAIN FEATURES

Depositors' balances at the end of February 1983 were \$28,935 million. This was \$780 million more than in January 1983 and \$4,166 million more than in February 1982.

In seasonally adjusted terms depositors' balances for February 1983 were \$28,646 million, \$696 million more than in January 1983.

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 six 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).

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.

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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
1982—									
January	6,739	9,115	3,393	2,480	1,523	734	113	219	24,425
February	6,787	9,335	3,408	2,609	1,540	757	113	218	24,769
March	6,699	9,252	3,363	2,556	1,506	753	112	218	24,458
April	6,666	9,199	3,321	2,507	1,479	745	110	215	24,242
May	6,777	9,286	3,393	2,515	1,495	749	114	220	24,550
June	6,889	9,483	3,463	2,596	1,515	760	116	225	25,047
July	6,874	9,417	3,457	2,598	1,517	774	117	222	25,266
August	6,894	9,566	3,475	2,609	1,560	820	119	224	24,975
September	6,906	9,610	3,476	2,616	1,555	839	121	222	25,344
October	7,000	9,766	3,514	2,649	1,580	845	125	224	25,704
November	7,067	9,825	3,544	2,669	1,599	852	126	228	25,910
December	7,394	10,226	3,679	2,806	1,706	879	129	244	27,063
1983—									
January	7,743	10,474	3,898	2,885	1,854	914	132	256	28,155
February	7,961	10,766	4,019	2,943	1,908	940	133	266	28,935
February 1983—									
Deposits	1,756	5,098	1,083	935	465	217	40	95	9,699
Withdrawals	1,543	4,839	965	881	413	199	47	86	8,971
Interest credited	4	33	3	3	1	8	—	—	52

(a) Excludes external territories (Christmas, Cocos and Norfolk Islands) February 1983-\$11 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	Seasonally adjusted
								original	adjusted
1982—									
January	2,103	20,541	22,644	11,014	13,411	24,425	24,276	+120	+111
February	2,121	20,672	22,794	11,147	13,622	24,769	24,515	+344	+239
March	2,146	20,805	22,951	10,907	13,550	24,458	24,490	-311	-25
April	2,184	20,860	23,044	10,827	13,415	24,242	24,641	-216	+151
May	2,231	20,900	23,132	11,159	13,390	24,550	24,817	+308	+176
June	2,288	20,911	23,199	11,406	13,641	25,047	25,001	+497	+184
July	2,335	20,926	23,261	11,498	13,478	24,975	25,042	-72	+41
August	2,388	20,853	23,241	11,672	13,594	25,266	25,242	+291	+200
September	2,436	20,784	23,220	11,783	13,562	25,344	25,360	+78	+118
October	2,474	20,778	23,252	12,062	13,642	25,704	25,610	+360	+250
November	2,525	20,797	23,322	12,411	13,499	25,910	25,905	+206	+295
December	2,569	20,577	23,146	13,292	13,771	27,063	26,917	+1,153	+1,012
1983—									
January	2,642	20,673	23,315	14,538	13,617	28,155	27,950	+1,092	+1,033
February	2,696	20,778	23,474	15,164	13,771	28,935	28,646	+780	+696

(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 authorised dealers in the short- term money market	Loans, advances and bills discounted		All other assets	Total
				Treasury notes	Other			Housing(b)	Other		
1982—											
January	59	36	352	2,085	2,160	6,385	119	12,607	1,700	1,172	26,675
February	65	125	389	2,159	2,066	6,467	79	12,640	1,824	1,249	27,064
March	81	40	251	1,985	2,143	6,563	227	12,810	1,804	1,201	27,105
April	70	25	347	1,855	2,114	6,549	119	12,913	1,690	1,246	26,928
May	77	304	419	1,441	2,141	6,560	57	12,983	1,676	1,203	26,861
June	78	195	372	1,569	2,082	6,521	124	13,092	1,649	1,585	27,267
July	62	245	340	1,494	2,064	6,566	32	13,136	1,826	1,245	27,009
August	111	95	496	1,544	1,967	6,525	29	13,173	1,976	1,307	27,222
September	110	31	463	1,183	2,362	6,505	49	13,392	2,259	1,205	27,558
October	106	63	463	810	2,801	6,466	199	13,515	2,331	1,219	27,973
November	143	24	543	1,088	2,811	6,487	162	13,608	2,292	1,218	28,378
December	126	196	491	1,244	3,028	6,512	243	13,755	2,507	1,346	29,449
1983—											
January	106	3	677	1,614	3,282	6,514	167	13,796	3,148	1,408	30,717
February	126	1	715	1,606	3,381	6,606	246	14,018	3,110	1,759	31,567

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