



Basel II Pillar 3 – Capital Adequacy and Risk Disclosures

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Rabobank Australia Limited (the Bank) is an Authorised Deposit-taking Institution (ADI) subject to regulation by the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority (APRA) under the authority of the Banking Act 1959.

This update of the Bank's capital adequacy and risk disclosures has been prepared primarily in accordance with APRA Prudential Standard APS 330 which requires the Bank to report its assessment of capital adequacy.

This document is unaudited, however it has been prepared consistent with information otherwise published or supplied to APRA.

Background

The Basel II Capital Accord principles took effect in Australia from 1 January 2008. The framework comprises of three pillars:

- Pillar 1: Minimum Capital Requirements
- Pillar 2: Supervisory Review Process
- Pillar 3: Market Discipline

The Bank commenced reporting its regulatory disclosures to APRA under the requirements of Pillar 1 from 1 January 2008 using the Standardised Approach. The Bank also implemented the Pillar 2 requirements including documentation of its Internal Capital Adequacy Assessment Process (ICAAP) with the latest version approved by the local Board in November 2008.

Context

The Rabobank Group (Group) gained accreditation from the De Nederlandsche Bank (DNB), Group's Home Regulator, to use the Advanced Internal Ratings Based Approach (AIRB) for credit risk and the Advanced Measurement Approach (AMA) for operational risk from 1 January 2008. Some subsidiaries currently remain on the Standardised Approach for credit risk within the Rabobank Group, namely Rabobank America and ACCBank in Ireland.

The Bank gained accreditation for AMA from the DNB from 1 January 2008. The Rabobank Group gained DNB accreditation to use the AIRB for credit risk from 31st December 2008 for the Bank's Rural portfolio. The Rural lending portfolio is a significant majority of the Bank's lending by exposure.

The Bank currently remains on the Standardised Approach for Credit, Market and Operational risk for APRA regulatory reporting

Frequency

The Capital Structure information is reported Semi-annually. The Capital Adequacy and Credit Risk information is available on a quarterly basis.

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Table 16: Capital adequacy (Risk weighted equivalent)

Subject to standardised approach	\$ AUD mln
Corporate	8,662.8
Government	-
Bank	19.0
Residential mortgage	911.8
Other retail	-
Other	-
Total capital requirement subject to standardised approach	9,593.6
Credit risk capital requirement relating to securitisation exposures	-
Market risk minimum capital requirement	0.1
Operational risk minimum capital requirement	577.1
Total RWA and capital requirement	10,170.8
Capital ratios (%)	
Total capital ratio	11.8%
Tier 1 capital ratio	8.91%

Table 17: Credit risk

Exposure type	Gross credit exposure \$ AUD mln	Average gross credit exposure \$ AUD mln
Cash and liquid assets	270.4	438.3
Trading securities	-	-
Investment securities	-	-
Due from other financial institutions	1,801.2	1,863.5
Loans and advances	10,226.6	10,304.6
Acceptances	-	-
Derivatives	23.8	23.7
Contingent liabilities, commitments, and other off-balance sheet exposures	89.8	93.0
Other assets	-	-
Total exposures	12,411.8	12,723.1

Table 17: Credit risk (continued)

Portfolios subject to standardised approach	Gross credit exposure \$ AUD mln	Average gross credit exposure \$ AUD mln
Corporate	8,968.6	9,069.0
Government	270.4	438.3
Bank	1,818.5	1,877.6
Residential mortgage	1,353.8	1,337.7
Other retail	-	-
Other	0.5	0.5
Total exposures	12,411.8	12,723.1

Portfolios subject to standardised approach	Impaired loans \$ AUD mln	Past due loans ≥ 90 days \$ AUD mln	Specific provision balance \$ AUD mln	Charges for specific provision \$ AUD mln	Write-offs \$ AUD mln
Corporate	140.0	301.9	68.8	3.5	-
Government	-	-	-	-	-
Bank	-	-	-	-	-
Residential mortgage	-	18.5	-	-	-
Other retail	-	-	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-	-	-
Total	140.0	320.4	68.8	3.5	-

	Balance \$ AUD mln
General reserve for credit losses	63.6

