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Basel II Pillar 3

Capital Adequacy and Risk Disclosures

Quarterly Update as at 30 September 2011

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Scope of Application

The Bank of Western Australia Ltd ("the Bank") is an Authorised Deposit-taking Institution subject to regulation by the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority ("APRA") under the authority of the Banking Act 1959 and is a 100% owned subsidiary of the Commonwealth Bank of Australia.

The Bank's capital adequacy and risk disclosure has been prepared in accordance with APRA Prudential Standard APS 330 'Capital Adequacy: Public Disclosures of Prudential Information' which requires the Bank to report its quarterly assessment of capital adequacy on a Level 2 basis.

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

1. Group Capital Ratios

APS 330 Table 16e - Capital ratios

	As	At
	30/09/11	30/06/11
	%	%
Tier One	9. 19	9. 14
Tier Two	3. 79	3. 79
Total Capital	12. 98	12. 93

The Bank maintains a strong capital position. The Tier One and Total Capital ratios as at 30 September 2011 were 9.19% and 12.98% respectively (30 June 2011: 9.14% and 12.93.%).

2. Risk Weighted Assets

APS 330 Table 16a to 16d - Capital adequacy (risk weighted assets)

	As A	t		
	30/09/11	30/06/11	Change in I	RWA
Asset Category	\$M	\$M	\$M	%
Credit risk				
Subject to standardised approach				
Corporate	12,395	12,493	(98)	(0.8)
Sovereign	3	3	-	-
Bank	1,323	1,288	35	2.7
Residential mortgage	23,429	22,928	501	2.2
Other retail	4,255	4,331	(76)	(1. 8)
Other assets	546	428	118	27.6
Total RWA subject to standardised approach	41,951	41,471	480	1. 2
Securitisation	34	46	(12)	(26. 1)
Equity exposures	7	7	-	-
Total RWA for credit exposures	41,992	41,524	468	1. 1
Traded market risk	17	10	7	70.0
Operational risk	3,822	3,822	-	-
Total risk weighted assets	45,831	45,356	475	1. 0

3. Credit Risk Exposure

APS 330 Table 17a - Total credit exposure (excluding equities and securitisation) by portfolio type

		30 Septem	ber 2011				
		Off balanc	e sheet		Average	Change	in
	On	Non-			exposure for	exposure	e for
	balance	market	Market		September	Septem	ber
	sheet	related	related	Total	quarter ⁽²⁾	quarte	r ⁽³⁾
PortfolioType	\$M	\$M	\$M	\$M	\$M	\$M	%
Subject to standardised approach							
Corporate	10,805	1,185	89	12,079	12,106	(53)	(0.4)
Sovereign	1,915	1	-	1,916	1,880	73	4.0
Bank	6,236	45	710	6,991	6,881	220	3. 2
Residential mortgage	51,376	553	21	51,950	51,254	1,392	2.8
Other retail	4,079	128	5	4,212	4,251	(77)	(1.8)
Other assets	1,210	-	-	1,210	1,008	405	50.3
Total credit exposures (1)	75,621	1,912	825	78,358	77,380	1,960	2.6

(1) Total Credit Risk Exposures do not include equities or securitisation exposures.

(2) The simple average of balances as at 30 September 2011 and 30 June 2011.

(3) Change, as at 30 September 2011, of exposures compared to balances at 30 June 2011.

		30 June	2011				
		Off balanc	e sheet		Average	Change	in
	On	Non-			exposure for	exposure	e for
	balance	market	Market		June	June)
	sheet	related	related	Total	quarter ⁽²⁾	quarte	r ⁽³⁾
Portfolio Type	\$M	\$M	\$M	\$M	\$M	\$M	%
Subject to standardised approach							
Corporate	10,883	1,196	53	12,132	12,103	58	0.5
Sovereign	1,842	1	-	1,843	1,767	153	9. 1
Bank	6,486	45	240	6,771	6,593	357	5.6
Residential mortgage	50,006	539	13	50,558	49,794	1,529	3. 1
Other retail	4,156	130	3	4,289	4,280	18	0.4
Other assets	805	-	-	805	772	66	8.9
Total credit exposures (1)	74,178	1,911	309	76,398	75,309	2,181	2. 9

(1) Total Credit Risk Exposures do not include equities or securitisation exposures.

(2) The simple average of closing balances as at 30 June 2011 and 31 March 2011.

(3) Change, as at 30 June 2011, of exposures compared to balances at 31 March 2011.

4. Past Due and Impaired Exposures, Provisions and Reserves

APRA Prudential Standard APS 220 "Credit Quality" requires the Bank to report specific provisions and a General Reserve for Credit Losses ("GRCL"). All provisions for impairment assessed on an individual basis in accordance with Australian equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards ("AIFRS") are classified as specific provisions. Collective provisions raised under AIFRS are classified into either specific provisions or GRCL.

Reconciliation of AIFRS and APS220 based credit provisions, and APS 330 Table 17c - General reserve for credit losses

	30	30 September 2011		
	General	General		
	reserve for	Specific	Total	
	credit losses ⁽²⁾	provision ⁽²⁾	provisions	
	\$M	\$M	\$M	
Collective provision ⁽¹⁾	823	13	836	
Individual provisions (1)	-	977	977	
Total provisions	823	990	1,813	
Additional GRCL requirement ⁽³⁾	98	-	98	
Total regulatory provisions (2)	921	990	1,911	

(1) Provisions according to AIFRS.

(2) Provisions classified according to APS 220 "Credit Quality".

(3) The Bank has recognised an after tax deduction from Tier One Capital of \$69 million at 30 September 2011 in order to maintain the required minimum GRCL.

	:	30 June 2011		
	General		Total	
	reserve for	Specific provision ⁽²⁾		
	credit losses ⁽²⁾		provisions	
	\$M	\$M	\$M	
Collective provision ⁽¹⁾	858	16	874	
Individual provisions (1)	-	979	979	
Total provisions	858	995	1,853	
Additional GRCL requirement ⁽³⁾	104	-	104	
Total regulatory provisions ⁽²⁾	962	995	1,957	

(1) Provisions as reported in financial statements according to AIFRS.

(2) Provisions classified according to APS 220 "Credit Quality".

(3) The Bank has recognised an after tax deduction from Tier One Capital of \$73 million at 30 June 2011 in order to maintain the required minimum GRCL.

5. Past Due and Impaired Exposures, Provisions and Reserves (continued)

Table APS 330 Table 17b - Impaired, past due, specific provisions and write-offs charged by portfolio

				Quarter e	nded
	As at 3	As at 30 September 2011			
	Impaired assets	Past due Ioans ≥ 90 days	Specific provision balance ⁽¹⁾	Net charges for individual provisions	Actual losses ⁽²⁾
Portfolio	\$M	\$M	\$M	\$M	\$M
Corporate including SME	1,622	232	930	37	76
Sovereign	-	-	-	-	-
Bank	-	-	-	-	-
Residential Mortgage	98	286	47	3	1
Other retail	3	17	13	-	12
Total	1,723	535	990	40	89

(1) Specific Provision Balance includes certain AIFRS collective provisions on some past due loans ≥ 90 days.

(2) Actual losses equal write-offs from individual provisions, write-offs direct from collective provisions less recoveries of amounts previously written off for the quarter ending 30 September 2011.

				Quarter e	nded
	As	30 June 2011			
	Impaired assets	Past due Ioans ≥ 90 days	Specific provision balance ⁽¹⁾	Net charges for individual provisions	Actual losses ⁽²⁾
Portfolio	\$M	\$M	\$M	\$M	\$M
Corporate including SME	1,675	195	933	202	248
Sovereign	-	-	-	-	-
Bank	-	-	-	-	-
Residential Mortgage	95	325	48	17	11
Other retail	3	19	14	3	12
Total	1,773	539	995	222	271

(1) Specific Provision Balance includes certain AIFRS collective provisions on some past due loans ≥ 90 days.

(2) Actual losses equal write-offs from individual provisions, write-offs direct from collective provisions less recoveries of amounts previously written off for the quarter ending 30 June 2011.

6. Glossary

Term	Definition
ADI	Authorised Deposit-taking Institution - includes banks, building societies and credit unions which are authorised by APRA to take deposits from customers.
AIFRS	Australian equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards.
APRA	Australian Prudential Regulation Authority - the regulator of banks, insurance companies and superannuation funds, credit unions, building societies and friendly societies in Australia.
APS	APRA's ADI Prudential Standards. For more information, refer to the APRA web site.
Bank	APS asset class - includes claims on central banks, international banking agencies, regional development banks, ADI and overseas banks.
Basel II	Refers to the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision's Revised Framework for International Convergence of Capital Measurement and Capital Standards issued in June 2006 and as subsequently amended.
Collective Provision	All loans and receivables that do not have an individually assessed provision are assessed collectively for impairment. The collective provision is maintained to reduce the carrying value of the portfolio of loans to their estimated recoverable amounts. These provisions are as reported in the Bank's Financial Statements in accordance with AIFRS (AASB 139 "Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement").
Corporate	APS asset class – includes commercial credit risk where annual revenues exceed \$50 million, SME Corporate and SME Retail.
General Reserve for Credit Losses	APS 220 requires the Group to establish a reserve that covers credit losses prudently estimated, but not certain to arise, over the full life of all individual facilities making up the business of the ADI. Most of the Group's collective provisions are included in the General Reserve for Credit Losses. An excess of required General Reserve for Credit Losses over the Group's collective provisions is recognised as a deduction from Tier One Capital on an after tax basis.
Individual Provisions	Provisions made against individual facilities in the credit-rated managed segment where there is objective evidence of impairment and full recovery of principal and interest is considered doubtful. These provisions are established based primarily on estimates of realisable value of collateral taken. These provisions are as reported in the Group's Financial Statements in accordance with AIFRS (AASB 139 "Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement"). Also known as individually assessed provisions or IAP.
Level 1	Represents the ADI and each subsidiary of the ADI that has been approved as an extended licence entity by APRA.
Level 2	The level at which the Group reports its capital adequacy to APRA being the consolidated banking group comprising the ADI and all of it's subsidiary entities other than non-consolidated subsidiaries. This is the basis of which this report has been produced.
Other Assets	APS asset class – includes Cash, Investments in Related Entities, Fixed Assets and Margin Lending.
Other Retail	APS asset class – includes all retail credit exposures not otherwise classed as a residential mortgage, SME retail or a qualifying revolving retail asset.
Residential Mortgage	APS asset class - includes retail and small and medium enterprise exposures up to \$1 million that are secured by residential mortgage property.
RWA	Risk Weighted Assets – the value of the Group's on and off-balance sheet assets are adjusted according to risk weights calculated according to various APRA prudential standards. For more information, refer to the APRA web site.
Securitisation	APS asset class - includes Group-originated securitised exposures and the provision of facilities to customers in relation to securitisation activities.
Sovereign	APS asset class - includes claims on the Reserve Bank of Australia and on Australian and foreign governments.
Specific Provision	APS 220 requires ADIs to report as specific provisions all provisions for impairment assessed by an ADI on an individual basis in accordance with AIFRS and that portion of provisions assessed on a collective basis which are deemed ineligible to be included in the General Reserve for Credit Losses (which are primarily collective provisions on some defaulted assets).

6. Glossary (continued)

Term	Definition
Tier One Capital	Tier One Capital is the highest quality of capital available to the Group and reflects the permanent and unrestricted commitment of funds that are freely available to absorb losses. It comprises:
	 Fundamental Capital (share capital, retained earnings and reserves);
	 Residual Capital (innovative and non innovative); and
	Prescribed Regulatory deductions.
Tier Two Capital	Tier Two Capital represents those capital items that fall short of the necessary conditions to qualify as Tier One Capital. There are two main classes, upper and lower Tier Two.