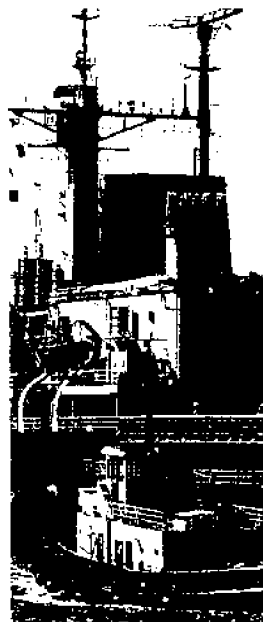




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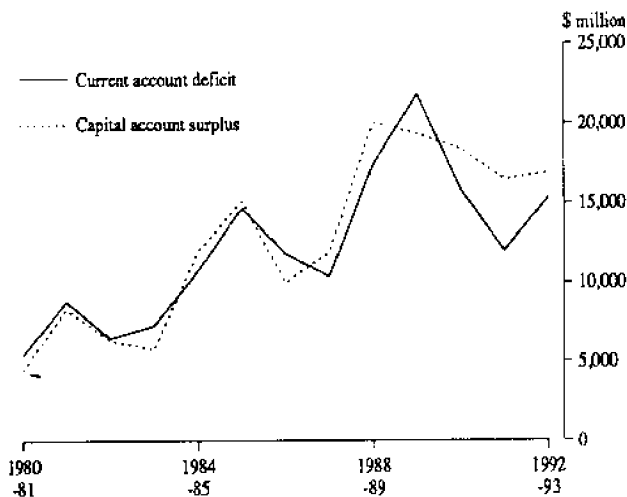
ANALYSIS OF RESULTS

Current and capital account balances

The current account measures exports and imports of goods and services, income receivable and payable abroad and unrequited transfers. Graph 1 shows that Australia has recorded a deficit on current account each year since 1980-81. This means that Australia's imports of goods and services, income payable and unrequited transfer debits exceed its exports of goods and services, income receivable and transfer credits.

The deficit on current account for 1992-93 was \$15,337 million, while the capital account surplus was \$16,895 million. The capital account measures the way in which the deficit on current account is financed and the two balances should, in theory, offset. However, as different data sources are used to estimate the current and capital accounts, there is usually a residual known as the balancing item, and it reflects the net errors and omissions which occur in compiling the balance of payments statistics.

GRAPH 1. CURRENT AND CAPITAL ACCOUNT BALANCES



Balance on current account

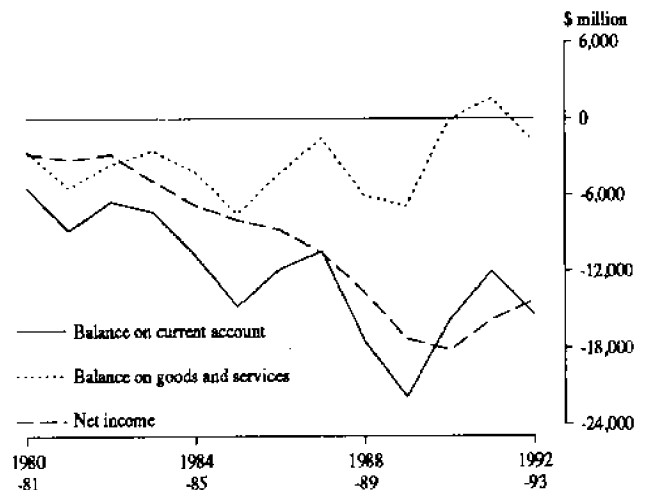
The current account deficit for 1992-93 increased by \$3,366 million (or 28 per cent), to \$15,337 million, compared with 1991-92. The increase was caused by:

- a decrease of \$3,224 million, to \$595 million, in the merchandise trade surplus (exports of goods less imports of goods);
- an increase of \$171 million, to \$2,414 million, in the net services deficit; and
- a decrease of \$1,514 million, to \$727 million, in the net unrequited transfers surplus.

These results were partly offset by a reduction of \$1,543 million, to \$14,245 million, in the net income deficit.

Historically, the direction of change in the current account balance has been highly correlated with movements in the balance on goods and services. However, as can be seen in Graph 2, the level of the net income deficit had a major impact on the actual level of the current account deficit throughout the 1980's with the increasing net income deficit in this period resulting in marked increases in the magnitude of the current account deficit. The significant improvement in the balance on goods and services in 1990-91 and 1991-92, coupled with the reduction in the net income deficit in 1991-92, resulted in a marked improvement in the balance on current account in both 1990-91 and 1991-92. However, the deterioration in the balance on goods and services in 1992-93, even though it was accompanied by a continued reduction in the net income deficit is reflected in the increased current account deficit for 1992-93.

GRAPH 2. CURRENT ACCOUNT MAJOR AGGREGATES



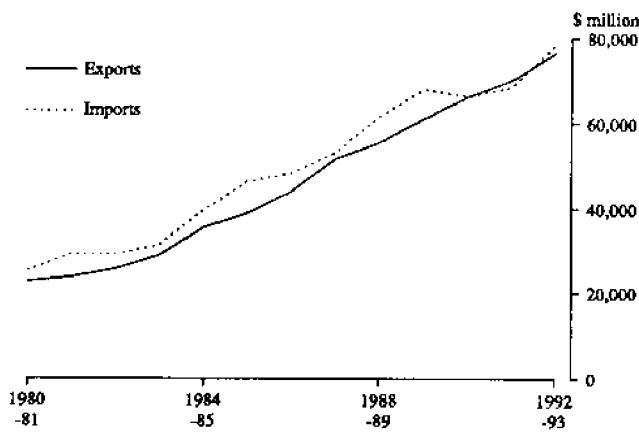
Goods and services at current prices

The *balance on goods and services* for 1992-93 recorded a deficit of \$1,819 million, a turnaround of \$3,395 million on the surplus recorded for 1991-92. This compares with average deficits of \$4,033 million for the eleven years from 1980-81 to 1990-91 inclusive. The turnaround in 1992-93 from the surplus recorded in the previous year was mainly due to the decrease in the merchandise trade surplus.

Exports of goods and services rose 9 per cent in 1992-93, to \$76,507 million. Exports have risen each year since 1980-81 at an average annual rate of 11 per cent.

Imports of goods and services rose 14 per cent in 1992-93, to \$78,326 million. Apart from a slight fall in 1990-91, imports have risen each year since 1980-81. Between 1980-81 and 1989-90 imports rose at an average annual rate of 12 per cent. Since 1991-92, the average annual rate of increase has been 9 per cent.

GRAPH 3: GOODS AND SERVICES
at current prices

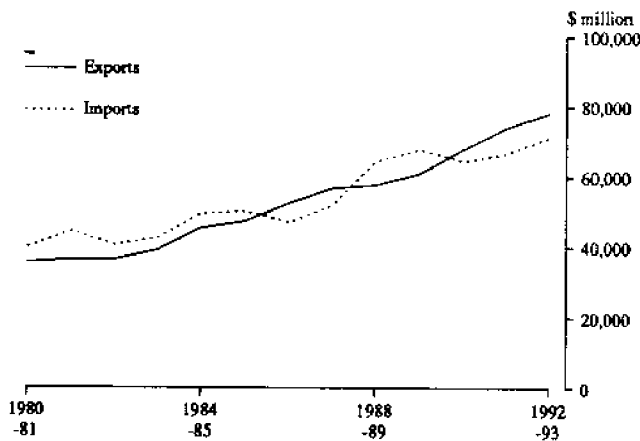


Goods and services at average 1989-90 prices

In volume terms, the *balance on goods and services* in 1992-93 recorded a surplus of \$6,859 million, down \$404 million on the surplus recorded for 1991-92. The volume of exports of goods and services rose \$4,195 million (or 6 per cent) to \$78,237 million in 1992-93, while the corresponding volume of imports rose \$4,599 million (or 7 per cent) to \$71,378 million.

Exports volumes have risen each year since 1981-82 and have more than doubled over the twelve years to 1992-93. Imports volumes, by comparison, have been more volatile during this period, with falls occurring in 1982-83, 1986-87 and 1990-91.

GRAPH 4: GOODS AND SERVICES
at average 1989-90 prices



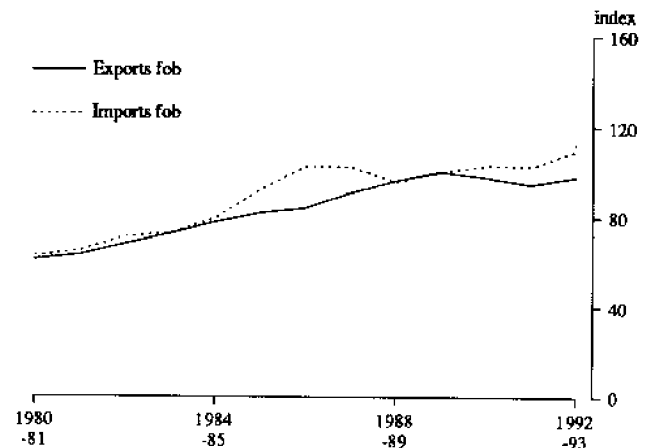
Implicit price deflators for goods and services

The *implicit price deflator* (IPD) for total exports of goods and services rose 3 per cent in 1992-93 to 97.8 following a 3 per cent decrease in the previous year. On a fixed-weighted basis the price index of exports of goods and services in 1992-93 rose 3 per cent to 97.9, indicating that compositional change had virtually no effect on the level of the IPD. Prior to falls in 1990-91 and 1991-92, the IPD for

exports of goods and services had risen from 1980-81 to 1989-90 at an average annual rate of 6 per cent.

The IPD for total imports of goods and services rose 7 per cent to 109.7 in 1992-93. On a fixed-weighted basis, the price index of imports rose 8 per cent to 112.6. After a period of rapid rises from 1983-84 to 1986-87, the IPD fell 7 per cent in 1988-89 but rose again in 1989-90 and has continued to rise each year since then.

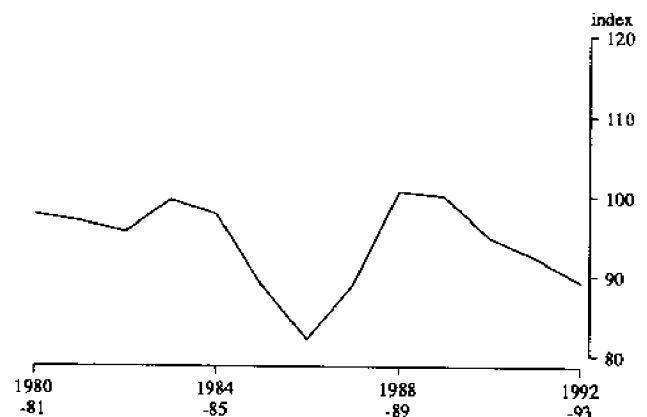
GRAPH 5: IMPLICIT PRICE DEFLATORS
FOR GOODS AND SERVICES (1989-90=100)



Terms of trade for goods and services

The index of Australia's *terms of trade* fell 3 per cent to 89.2 in 1992-93 mainly as a result of a rise of 3 per cent in the IPD for exports of goods and services being more than offset by the 7 per cent rise in the IPD for imports of goods and services. This represents the fourth successive fall in Australia's terms of trade on an annual basis, although the 1992-93 level is still well above the low of 1986-87.

GRAPH 6: TERMS OF TRADE
FOR GOODS AND SERVICES (1989-90=100)



Merchandise

Merchandise exports at current prices rose \$5,148 million (or 9 per cent) to a new high of \$60,022 million in 1992-93 (see Graph 8). Export volumes rose 5 per cent (see Graph 9) and export prices rose 4 per cent during the year. Rural

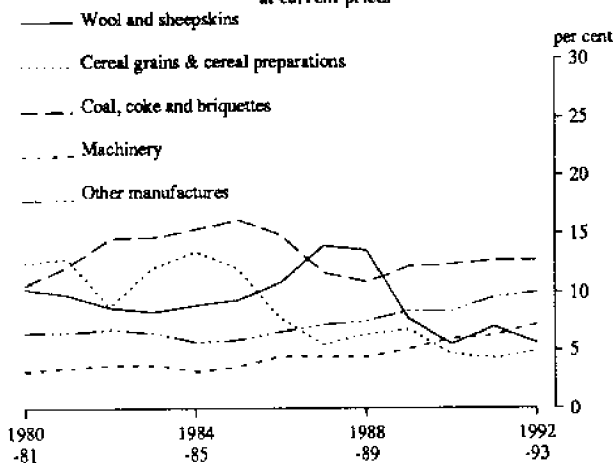
exports rose \$1,477 million (or 9 per cent) to \$17,080 million, while non-rural exports rose \$3,671 million (or 9 per cent) to \$42,942 million.

The largest rises in exports occurred in machinery, up \$873 million (25 per cent) due mainly to a 24 per cent increase in volume; "other" manufactures, up \$758 million (14 per cent) due to an 11 per cent increase in volume and a 3 per cent increase in price; "other" rural, up \$696 million (13 per cent) due largely to an 8 per cent increase in volume and a 5 per cent increase in price; coal, coke and briquettes, up \$671 million (10 per cent) due to a 4 per cent increase in volume and a 5 per cent increase in price; and cereals, up \$602 million (26 per cent) due to a 14 per cent increase in volume and a 10 per cent increase in price. The only falls occurred in wool, down \$462 million (12 per cent) due to a 10 per cent fall in volume and a 2 per cent fall in price; and gold, down \$25 million (1 per cent) due to a 5 per cent fall in volume, which was almost offset by a 5 per cent increase in price.

Despite lower prices for wool, rural prices rose 5 per cent overall due mainly to higher prices for cereals, sugar and "other" rural products. Non-rural prices rose 4 per cent overall with all components, except metal ores and minerals, recording price increases. The largest price increase was recorded in transport equipment, which was up 13 per cent.

Graph 7 shows the percentage contributions of selected commodities, namely, wool, cereals, coal, machinery and "other" manufactures, to total merchandise exports from 1980-81 to 1992-93. Wool, cereals and coal show much variability over the period. However, in the case of cereals, there has been an overall decline in its relative importance from 12 per cent in 1980-81 to 5 per cent in 1992-93. Conversely, machinery and "other" manufactures in total have increased from 10 per cent to 17 per cent over the same period.

GRAPH 7: PERCENTAGE CONTRIBUTIONS TO MERCHANDISE EXPORTS at current prices



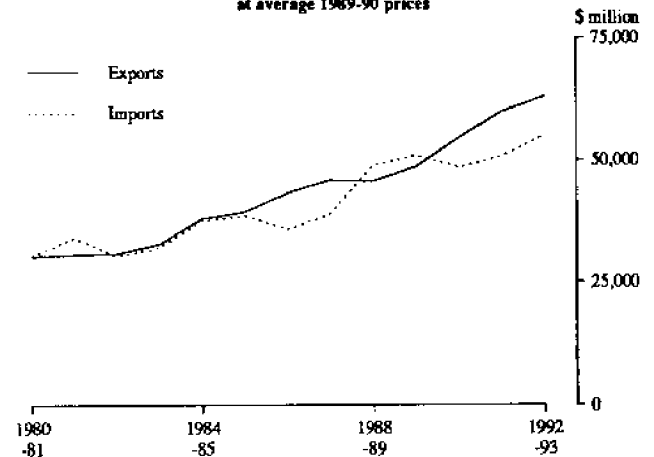
sumption goods were up \$2,257 million (17 per cent) to \$15,926 million due to a 7 per cent increase in volume and a 9 per cent increase in price. Imports of capital goods were up \$1,758 million (15 per cent) to \$13,655 million due to a 6 per cent increase in volume and an 8 per cent increase in price. Intermediate and other goods were up \$4,357 million (17 per cent) to \$29,846 million due to an 11 per cent increase in volume and a 6 per cent increase in price.

The largest rises in imports were recorded in machinery, up \$1,126 million (26 per cent) due to a 12 per cent increase in volume and a 13 per cent increase in price; industrial supplies, up \$1,076 million (18 per cent) due to a 10 per cent increase in volume and a 7 per cent increase in price; fuels and lubricants, up \$908 million (33 per cent) due to a 23 per cent increase in volume and a 9 per cent increase in price; parts for transport equipment, up \$734 million (25 per cent) due to a 13 per cent increase in volume and an 11 per cent increase in price; non-industrial transport equipment, up \$701 million (25 per cent) due to a 7 per cent increase in volume and a 17 per cent increase in price; "other" parts for capital goods, up \$674 million (19 per cent) due to an 8 per cent increase in volume and a 10 per cent increase in price; and industrial transport equipment, up \$598 million (48 per cent) due to a 24 per cent increase in volume and a 20 per cent increase in price. The only imports commodity groups to record decreases were civil aircraft, which fell \$857 million (51 per cent) due to a 56 per cent decrease in volume partly offset by an 11 per cent increase in price; and non-monetary gold, down 2 per cent.

GRAPH 8: MERCHANDISE at current prices



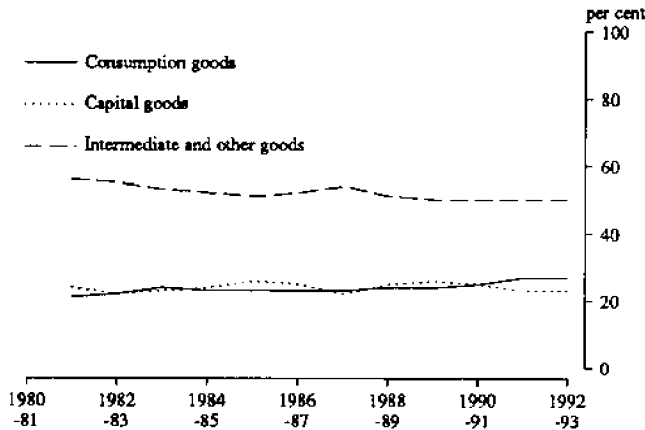
GRAPH 9: MERCHANDISE at average 1989-90 prices



Merchandise imports in 1992-93 at current prices rose \$8,372 million (or 16 per cent) to \$59,427 million (see Graph 8). Merchandise imports volumes rose 9 per cent (see Graph 9), while prices rose 7 per cent. Increases were recorded in each of the end-use categories. Imports of con-

Graph 10 shows the relative contributions to total merchandise imports of consumption, capital and intermediate and other imports, at current prices, from 1980-81 to 1992-93. It can be seen that the proportions of these three components have been relatively stable over most of this period. Recently, however, the percentage contribution of consumption goods has risen, from 24 per cent in 1989-90 to 27 per cent in 1992-93; while the percentage contribution of capital goods has declined, from 26 per cent to 23 per cent during this period.

GRAPH 10: PERCENTAGE CONTRIBUTIONS TO MERCHANDISE IMPORTS

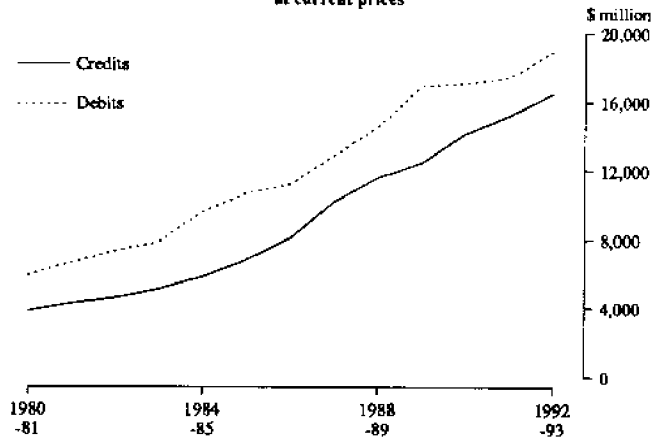


Services

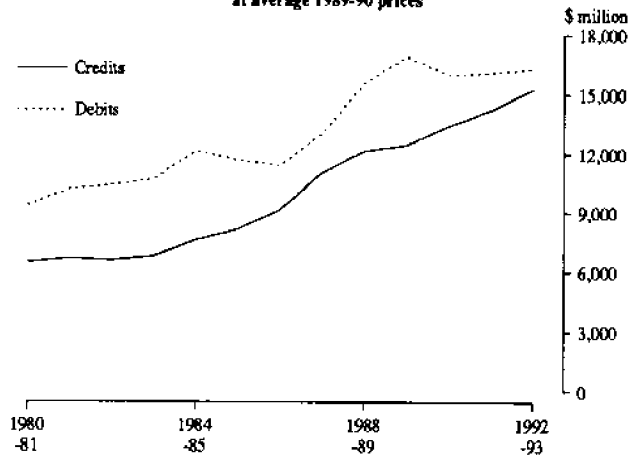
Services credits at current prices rose \$1,284 million (or 8 per cent) to \$16,485 million in 1992-93, resulting from a 7 per cent increase in volume and a 1 per cent increase in price. The overall rise was due to increases in "other" transportation, up \$545 million (13 per cent) due to a 15 per cent increase in volume which was partly offset by a 1 per cent fall in price; travel, up \$468 million (8 per cent), due to a 5 per cent increase in volume and a 2 per cent increase in price; "other" services, up \$142 million (3 per cent), reflecting small increases in both volume and price; and shipment, up \$129 million (12 per cent) due to a 9 per cent increase in volume and a 2 per cent increase in price.

Services debits rose \$1,455 million (or 8 per cent) to \$18,899 million, resulting from a 7 per cent increase in price and a 1 per cent increase in volume. Increases were recorded in shipment, up \$515 million (16 per cent), due to an 8 per cent increase in volume and an 8 per cent increase in price; travel, up \$404 million (8 per cent) resulting from a 12 per cent increase in price which was partly offset by a 4 per cent fall in volume; "other" services, up \$331 million (7 per cent), with a 12 per cent price increase being partly offset by a 4 per cent fall in volume; and "other" transportation, up \$205 million (5 per cent) due to a 7 per cent increase in volume which was partly offset by a 2 per cent fall in price. Graph 11 shows services credits and debits from 1980-81 to 1992-93. Over this period, services credits have increased at an average annual rate of 13 per cent, and services debits at 10 per cent.

GRAPH 11: SERVICES at current prices

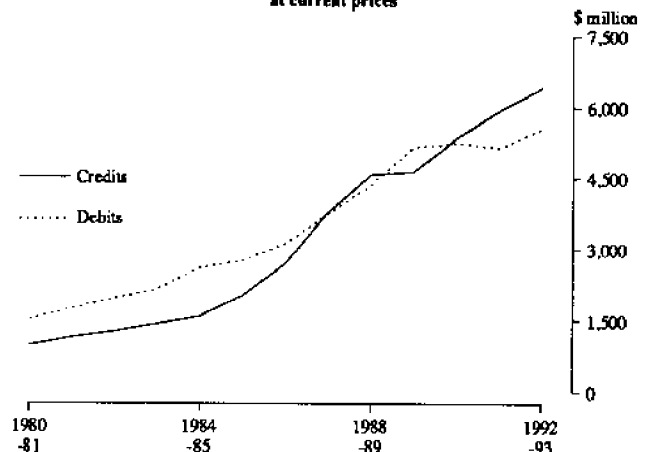


GRAPH 12: SERVICES at average 1989-90 prices



Graph 13 compares *travel credits* and *debits*. Travel credits have increased at an average annual rate of 17 per cent since 1980-81. From 1980-81 to 1990-91 travel debits increased at an average annual rate of 13 per cent. The 2 per cent fall in travel debits in 1991-92 represents the only decrease in this component since 1980-81. As a proportion of total services, travel credits have increased from 26 per cent of services credits in 1980-81 to 39 per cent in 1992-93, while travel debits have risen from 26 per cent of services debits in 1980-81 to 29 per cent in 1992-93.

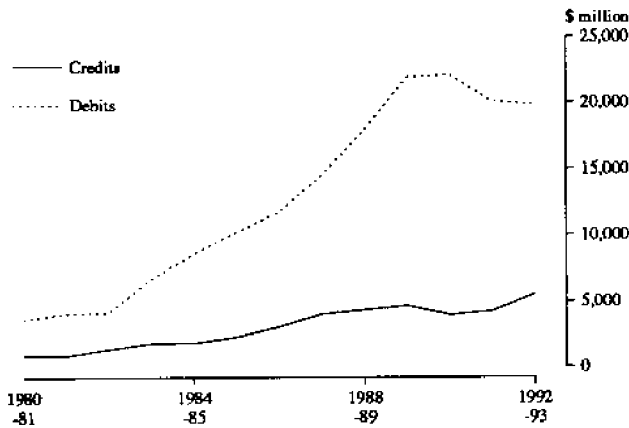
GRAPH 13: TRAVEL SERVICES at current prices



Income

Income credits rose \$1,316 million (or 31 per cent) to \$5,573 million in 1992-93, while *income debits* fell \$227 million (1 per cent) to \$19,818 million, resulting in a 10 per cent reduction in the net income deficit. This represents the second successive reduction in this balance and compares with an average annual increase in the net income deficit of 26 per cent between 1982-83 and 1990-91.

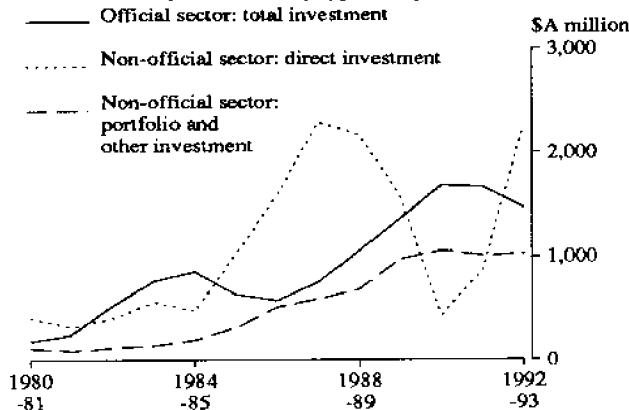
GRAPH 14: INCOME



The rise in income credits in 1992-93 was due to increases of \$1,208 million (34 per cent) in investment income; \$66 million (28 per cent) in other property income and \$42 million (9 per cent) in total labour and other income. The increase in labour and other income reflected increases in labour income earned abroad and in Australia. The decrease in income debits, the second fall since 1974-75, was mainly due to a \$252 million (1 per cent) fall in investment income.

Investment income accounts for the bulk of income credits and debits. In 1992-93 it accounted for 85 per cent of total income credits and 91 per cent of total income debits.

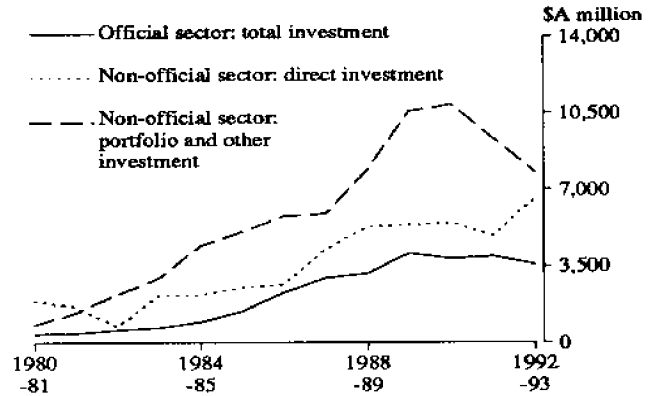
GRAPH 15: INVESTMENT INCOME CREDITS
by sector and by type of capital



Within *investment income credits*, direct investment income in 1992-93 rose \$1,385 million due mainly to a rise in reinvested earnings receivable from abroad. This increase was the second successive year in which a rise was recorded in reinvested earnings. Investment income receivable by the

official sector fell \$202 million (12 per cent). Portfolio and other investment income receivable by the non-official sector increased slightly, by \$25 million or 2 per cent.

GRAPH 16: INVESTMENT INCOME DEBITS
by sector and by type of capital

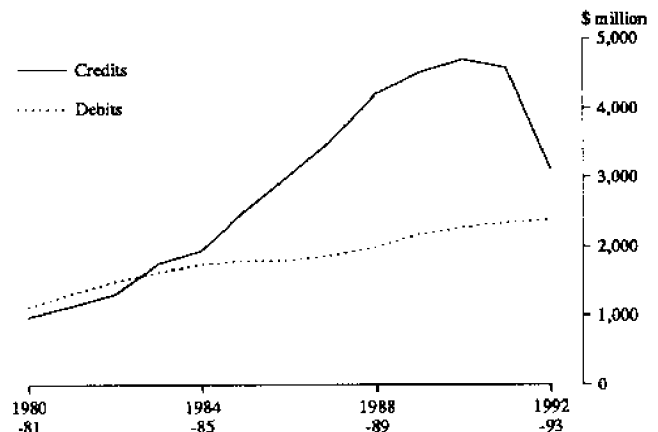


The decline of \$252 million in *investment income debits* resulted from falls in: portfolio and other investment income payable abroad by the non-official sector, down \$1,599 million or 17 per cent (due to a fall in interest payable); and income payable abroad by the official sector, down \$364 million (9 per cent). Largely offsetting these falls was an increase of \$1,711 million or 35 per cent in direct investment income payable abroad (due mainly to increases in reinvested earnings and remitted profits payable on distributed earnings).

Unrequited transfers

The *net unrequited transfers* surplus for 1992-93 fell by \$1,514 million, or 68 per cent, to \$727 million. This is the second successive decrease in the net unrequited transfers surplus and follows rises in all other years since 1983-84, prior to which this balance was in deficit. Unrequited transfers credits fell by \$1,465 million (32 per cent) to \$3,119 million, due mainly to a fall in migrants' transfers credits; while debits rose by \$49 million (2 per cent) to \$2,392 million.

GRAPH 17: UNREQUITED TRANSFERS

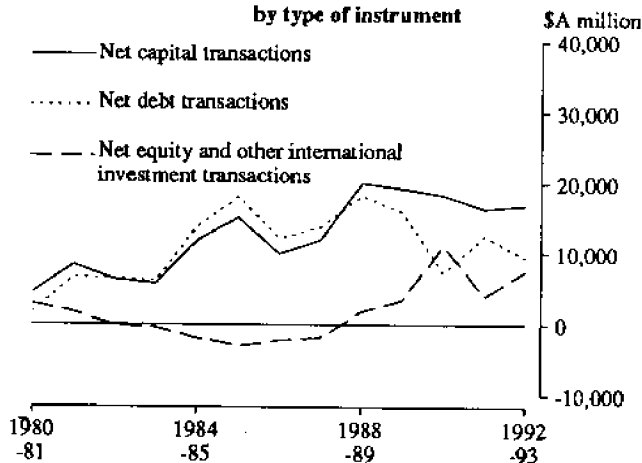


Balance on capital account

The *balance on capital account* for 1992-93 shows that *net capital transactions* produced a net inflow of \$16,895 million, up \$451 million on the inflow for 1991-92, but down \$1,509 million, \$2,429 million, and \$3,179 million on the inflows for 1990-91, 1989-90 and 1988-89 respectively.

Graph 18 shows the broad instrument composition of the net capital inflows over the period 1980-81 to 1992-93. These inflows largely reflected *net debt* inflows between 1981-82 and 1988-89. The net debt inflow was \$18,266 million in 1988-89 before falling sharply to \$7,284 million in 1990-91. The net debt inflow subsequently rose to \$12,506 million in 1991-92 before falling to \$9,403 million in 1992-93. *Net equity and other international investment transactions* were responsible for net outflows between 1982-83 and 1987-88, before yielding net inflows over the last five years. In 1992-93, the net inflow from net equity and other international investment transactions was \$7,491 million, up \$3,554 million on 1991-92, but down \$3,628 million on 1990-91's record annual high.

GRAPH 18: NET CAPITAL TRANSACTIONS
DURING YEAR
by type of instrument



The balance on capital account in 1992-93 was comprised of:

- a net inflow of \$15,619 million due to *official sector* transactions. This was the largest annual inflow on record for this sector; and
- a net inflow of \$1,275 million due to *non-official sector* transactions, down \$8,496 million on the net inflow in 1991-92, and the smallest annual inflow for this sector since 1977-78.

Official sector transactions

The change in *official sector* transactions in 1992-93 resulted from:

- an increase of \$8,907 million in the net inflow from general government transactions to a record annual high of \$11,630 million, \$5,527 million higher than the previous record annual inflow recorded in 1986-87; and
- an increase of \$39 million in the net inflow from Reserve Bank transactions. This is the second succes-

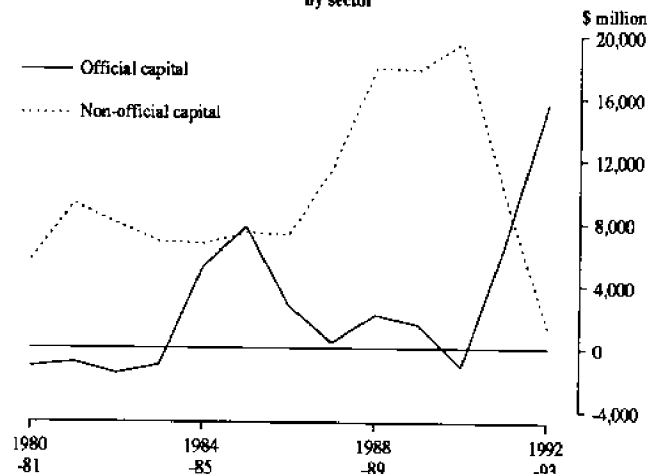
sive annual inflow from these transactions following a series of outflows between 1986-87 and 1990-91.

Non-official sector transactions

The change in *non-official sector* transactions in 1992-93 was comprised of:

- a net inflow of \$7,086 million from foreign investment in Australia, down \$6,282 million on 1991-92 and down \$22,735 million on the record annual inflow in 1988-89. Foreign investment in the non-official sector rose sharply after 1983-84, peaking in 1988-89 when it reached \$29,821 million before falling in 1989-90 and declining further in 1991-92 and 1992-93.
- a net outflow of \$5,811 million from Australian investment abroad, up \$2,214 million on the outflow for 1991-92. The higher net outflow for the 1992-93 financial year was the second successive increase in Australian investment abroad since the net outflow troughed at \$1,949 million in 1990-91. The net outflow from Australian investment abroad in 1992-93 was well below the peak of \$12,812 million in 1987-88.

GRAPH 19: CAPITAL ACCOUNT
by sector



The 1992-93 inflow from *foreign investment in Australia* largely resulted from:

- an inflow of \$4,080 million in portfolio investment in corporate equities, up \$3,003 million on 1991-92. This was the highest annual inflow since 1986-87;
- an inflow of \$2,318 million from reinvestment of earnings, up \$1,568 million on 1991-92, and the highest annual inflow since 1987-88; and
- an inflow of \$3,704 million in direct investment in corporate equities, up \$833 million on the previous year.

Partly offsetting the inflows in these three components of foreign investment in Australia were outflows (withdrawals of investment) in the following two components: borrowing from unrelated entities, which turned around \$7,224 million to a net outflow of \$2,262 million, the first such outflow since 1970-71; and borrowing from related entities, which

turned around \$3,860 million to a net outflow of \$1,511 million, the first such outflow since 1975-76, and the largest annual outflow on record for this component.

The outflow from *Australian investment abroad* in 1992-93 was mainly attributable to:

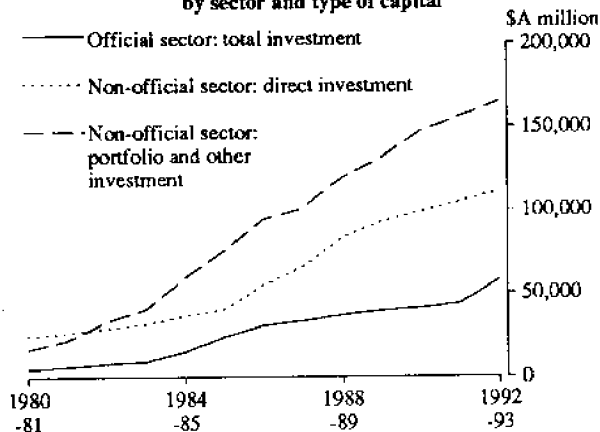
- an outflow of \$4,260 million in lending to unrelated entities abroad, up \$3,006 million on the outflow for 1991-92, and the highest annual outflow on record;
- an outflow of \$2,235 million in direct investment in corporate equities, up \$1,381 million on the previous year's outflow; and
- an outflow of \$1,930 million from reinvestment of earnings, up \$1,375 million to the highest annual outflow since 1988-89.

Partly offsetting the outflows in these three components of Australian investment abroad were inflows (withdrawals of investment) in the following two components: portfolio investment in corporate equities, which turned around \$3,933 million from an outflow to an inflow of \$1,624 million; and lending to related entities, which recorded an inflow of \$1,779 million, up \$1,574 million on the inflow in the previous year.

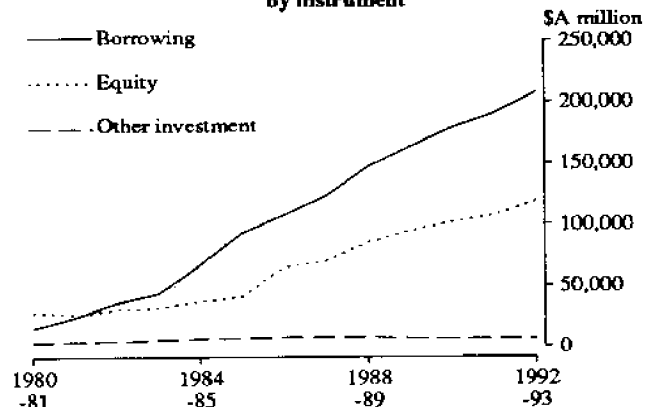
Australia's international investment position (IIP)

The cumulation of capital inflows over the years to finance current account deficits, has resulted in a net international investment position for Australia of net foreign liabilities. Another way of saying this is that the level of foreign investment in Australia (essentially Australian liabilities to non-residents) exceeds Australian investment abroad (essentially Australian claims on non-residents). As the table on page 8 shows, Australia's IIP, at 30 June 1993, was net liabilities of \$221,110 million. This was comprised of foreign investment in Australia of \$333,795 million less Australian investment abroad of \$112,685 million. Graphs 20 and 21 show the levels of foreign investment in Australia at the end of each year by sector and type of capital, and by instrument, since 1980-81. Graphs 22 and 23 show similar detail for Australian investment abroad.

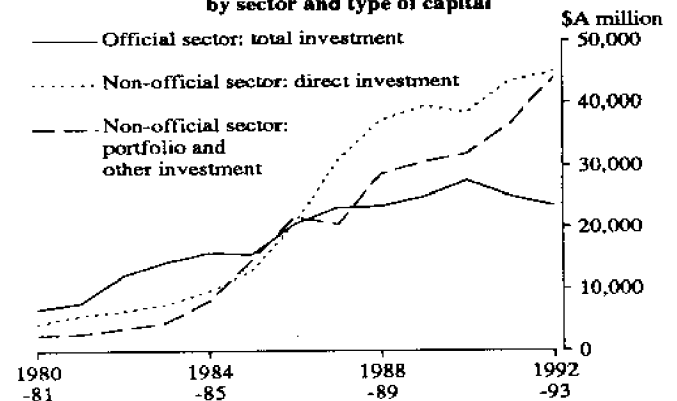
GRAPH 20: FOREIGN INVESTMENT IN AUSTRALIA, LEVELS OF INVESTMENT AT END OF YEAR by sector and type of capital



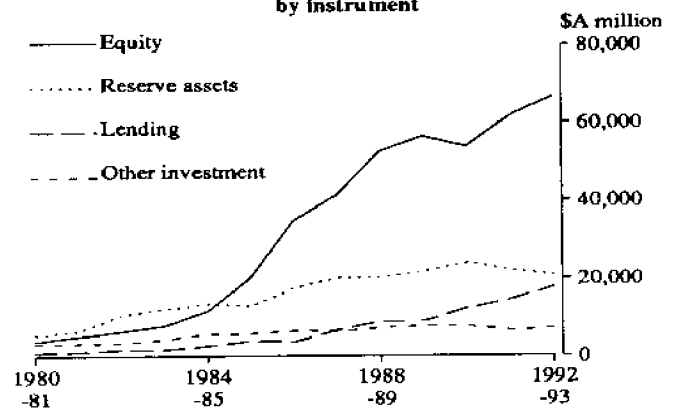
GRAPH 21: FOREIGN INVESTMENT IN AUSTRALIA, LEVELS OF INVESTMENT AT END OF YEAR by instrument



GRAPH 22: AUSTRALIAN INVESTMENT ABROAD, LEVELS OF INVESTMENT AT END OF YEAR by sector and type of capital



GRAPH 23: AUSTRALIAN INVESTMENT ABROAD, LEVELS OF INVESTMENT AT END OF YEAR by instrument



The relative shares of foreign investment in Australia at 30 June 1993 were: investment in the official sector, 17 per cent; direct investment in the non-official sector, 33 per cent; and portfolio and other investment in the non-official sector, 49 per cent. In terms of instrument of investment, the respective shares were: borrowing, 62 per cent; equity, 36 per cent; and "other" investment, 2 per cent.

INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENT POSITION (\$A million)

	Changes in levels during 1992-93				Level at 30 June 1993
	Level at 30 June 1992	Capital transactions(a)	Exchange rate Variations	Other Changes	
Foreign Investment in Australia —					
Equity Liabilities	107,648	10,524	139	1,240	119,552
Borrowing(b)	190,408	7,887	9,402	-213	207,483
Other Investment	6,745	301	33	-319	6,760
Total	304,801	18,712	9,574	708	333,795
Australian Investment Abroad —					
Equity Assets	61,791	3,168	2,194	-486	66,668
Reserve Assets	22,240	-3,950	1,706	827	20,823
Lending	14,668	2,433	1,022	-251	17,873
Other Investment	6,565	165	169	422	7,321
Total	105,265	1,817	5,091	512	112,685
Net International Investment Position(c) —					
Net Equity Liabilities	45,857	7,356	-2,055	1,726	52,884
Net Debt(d)	153,499	9,403	6,674	-789	168,787
Net Other Investment	179	135	-136	-740	-562
Net Foreign Liabilities	199,536	16,895	4,483	197	221,110

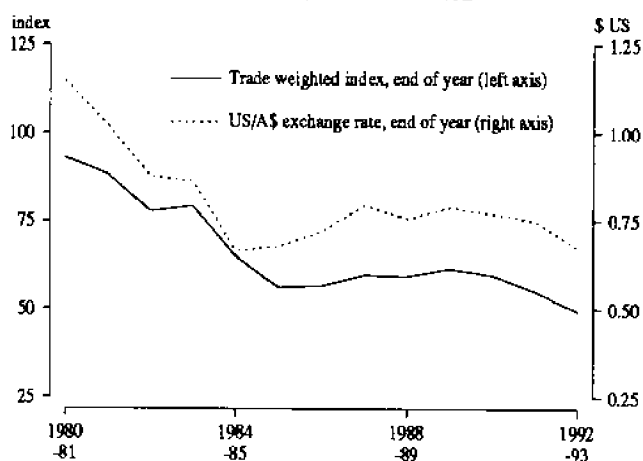
(a) The Australian investment abroad series carry the opposite sign to the corresponding series in the main tables of this publication. (b) Gross foreign debt. (c) Net international investment position equals foreign investment in Australia less Australian investment abroad. (d) Foreign borrowing by Australian residents less the sum of reserve assets and Australian lending abroad.

The relative shares of Australian investment abroad as at 30 June 1993 were: investment by the official sector, 21 per cent; direct investment by the non-official sector, 40 per cent; and portfolio and other investment by the non-official sector, 39 per cent. In terms of instrument of investment, the respective shares were: official reserve assets, 18 per cent; lending, 16 per cent; equity, 59 per cent; and "other" investment, 6 per cent.

Trade-weighted index and \$US/\$A exchange rates

The trade-weighted index (TWI) value of the \$A at the end of June 1993 was 49.5, down 10.3 per cent on the end of June 1992. Since end June 1983, the TWI has fallen 36.3 per cent. Over the year ending June 1993, the \$A depreciated 10.2 per cent against the \$US and 23.9 per cent against the Japanese yen. Since the year ended June 1983, the \$A has depreciated 23.1 per cent against the \$US, and 65.8 per cent against the Japanese yen.

GRAPH 24: TRADE WEIGHTED INDEX (MAY 1970=100) AND US/\$ EXCHANGE RATE



CHANGES IN THIS ISSUE

Introduction

Since the last issue of this publication, improvements have been made to the commodity classification of merchandise imports and to the coverage, sources and methods used in estimating shipment, other transportation, other travel and insurance services. These improvements are reflected in the statistics presented in this issue.

Changes to Merchandise Imports

Prior to the March 1994 issue of the monthly balance of payments publication (ABS catalogue No. 5301.0), merchandise imports information in monthly, quarterly and annual balance of payments publications was presented in 11 broad commodity groupings which were based on the United Nations' Standard International Trade Classification Revision 3 (SITC R3), as well as being split into exogenous and endogenous imports. In the quarterly and annual publications, a further breakdown of endogenous imports by end-use categories (capital goods; consumption goods; and other goods) was also provided.

From the March 1994 issue of 5301.0, the presentation of merchandise imports has been changed as follows:

- the existing broad commodity groupings, together with the exogenous/endogenous split, have been removed;
- the end-use categories, previously provided quarterly for endogenous imports only, have been extended to cover all merchandise imports; and
- the three end-use categories have been divided into a total of 26 SITC R3-based commodity groupings, which are also aligned with the United Nations' Classification of Broad Economic Categories (BEC).

To assist users in overcoming discontinuities arising from the introduction of the new imports classification, historical series for each of the end-use categories and commodity groupings have been recompiled back to July 1981. The historical series for each of the end-use categories and commodity groupings, together with constant price series and, where appropriate, seasonally adjusted and trend series, were published in an Information Paper, *Change to Commodity Classification of Merchandise Imports in Balance of Payments Publications* (ABS Catalogue No. 5344.0), which was released on 14 April 1994.

Details of the concordances between the previous and the new merchandise imports publication categories, as well as between the new classification of merchandise imports and both SITC Rev 3 and BEC, were also included in the Information Paper.

Copies of this Information Paper are available (recommended retail price: \$10.00) from any ABS Office.

Changes to Shipment and Other Transportation Services

Prior to the May 1994 issue of 5301.0, the estimates of *shipment* and *other transportation* credits and debits were partly compiled using information collected in the ABS Surveys of International Shipping Operations (SISO) and Airline Operations (SIAO). The SISO and SIAO were

replaced in September quarter 1993 by new collections within the framework of the ABS International Trade in Services Survey. The new shipping collection obtains aggregated information, on a quarterly basis, on sea transport services provided by resident and non-resident shipping operators. This approach differs from that in the SISO which obtained aggregated quarterly information from some respondents and individual information on each voyage of a vessel from other respondents. The new airline collection is essentially the same as the SIAO.

The new shipping collection has resulted in estimates for *shipment* credits and *other transportation* credits and debits that are significantly higher than those based on the SISO, largely as a result of the more comprehensive coverage of the new collection and better response rates achieved from a much simpler form design. Consequently, undercoverage adjustments based on data from the new collection, and historical information supplied by the major respondents, have been made to all periods back to 1982-83.

The impact of these adjustments on the current account deficit is outlined in *Revisions* in the May 1994 issue of 5301.0, which was released on 30 June 1994.

Changes to Travel Services

Estimates of "*Other*" *Travel Services* credits (that is, expenditure in Australia by overseas visitors other than students) are derived using two sources: information on the number of overseas visitors, published by ABS from data collected on passenger cards by the Department of Immigration and Ethnic Affairs; and information on the expenditure of visitors, collected mainly from the International Visitors Survey (IVS) conducted by the Bureau of Tourism Research (BTR). The expenditure information from the IVS covers goods and services purchased or consumed in Australia by overseas visitors, except where some of that expenditure is pre-paid as part of an inclusive tour package. Inclusive package tour visitors report their total package cost in the IVS, but they are unable to separately identify the various components of expenditure included. Because of this data availability problem, prior to the June 1994 issue of 5301.0 such expenditure had been excluded from ABS estimates of "*Other*" *Travel Services* credits.

Recent ABS and BTR analysis of the available data has enabled estimates to be produced for the major components of inclusive package tour expenditure, that is organised tours and food, drink and accommodation. These estimates have now been incorporated into "*Other*" *Travel Services* credits. Undercoverage adjustments have been made for all periods back to 1983-84; prior to this it is considered that undercoverage would have been minimal.

Details of the impact of these adjustments on the current account deficit are contained in the June 1994 issue of 5301.0 which was released on 29 July 1994.

Changes to Insurance Services

Prior to the June 1994 issue of 5301.0, the estimates of *Insurance services nec* credits and debits (that is, expenditure on insurance services other than freight insurance) were

compiled using information obtained from the ABS Survey of Foreign Investment (SFI) and the Australian Taxation Office's taxation statistics. Annual estimates for *Insurance services nec* were compiled as the difference between premiums and "normal" claims. In the case of credits, both premiums and claims were based on SFI data. In the case of debits, estimates of premiums were derived from taxation statistics and estimates of claims were derived by applying a ratio of claims to premiums, calculated from SFI data, to premiums data from taxation statistics.

Since the June 1994 issue of 5301.0, estimates of insurance services are based primarily on information obtained from the ABS International Trade in Services Survey (ITSS). This change in data sources reflects a rationalisation of ABS data collection activity on trade in services. From 1989-90, data relating to international insurance transactions were excluded from the SFI and, from 1990-91, collected by the ITSS. Because of the significant improvements in coverage of insurance premiums data from the ITSS and the substantial timelag on data from the Australian Taxation Office, the latter source is no longer used directly in the estimation process. However, it is envisaged that the taxation data will continue to provide a useful coverage check.

The ITSS, like the SFI, collects data relating to general insurance, reinsurance and life insurance premiums and claims, and commissions incurred in arranging/writing insurance business placed with and received from non-residents. There are, however, a number of significant differences between the old and new sources and methods. The more significant differences are outlined below.

(a) Statistical Unit

Information from the ITSS is collected and compiled in respect of a lower level statistical unit than the former SFI collection. This has resulted in significantly better coverage and classification of in-scope activity than was achieved by the SFI, which collected and compiled information at the enterprise group level. Consequently, undercoverage adjustments based on data from the ITSS have been made back to 1986-87. Prior to this it is considered that undercoverage would have been minimal.

(b) Commissions

In the SFI, claims receivable were collected inclusive of commissions and other expenses receivable. Similarly, claims payable were collected inclusive of commissions and other expenses payable. The ITSS, however, identifies commissions and other expenses receivable and payable separately from claims. This has enabled commissions and other expenses receivable (credits) and payable (debits) to be included in insurance services credits and debits respectively, in accordance with international statistical standards. Previously, commissions and other expenses receivable were netted off against insurance services debits. Similarly, commissions and other expenses payable were netted off against insurance services credits. As a result of this change, the insurance services credit and debit series have been recompiled back to 1968-69, the earliest period for which estimates of insurance services have been produced.

(c) Claims Receivable

Because neither the SFI nor the ITSS approach Australian resident policy holders or non-resident insurers, neither survey is a good source of information on gross claims receivable on general insurance provided by non-residents to Australian resident policy holders. As a result, such claims have been significantly under-reported in the past. To address this problem, the ABS has developed a methodology, using information from the Insurance and Superannuation Commission, to estimate gross claims receivable on general insurance placed abroad. These estimates have now been incorporated into insurance services debits and undercoverage adjustments made back to 1976-77. Undercoverage is considered to have been minimal prior to this.

(d) Timing Basis of Recording Premiums

The ITSS collects information on an accruals basis (ie premiums earned) rather than on a due for payment basis, as was the case in the SFI collection. The accruals basis of recording conforms with the latest international standards for balance of payments statistics, as published in the Fifth Edition of the International Monetary Fund's Balance of Payments Manual. While the impact of this change cannot be quantified, it is not expected to be significant.

The overall impact on the current account deficit of these various changes in the measurement of insurance services is outlined in *Revisions* in the June 1994 issue of 5301.0, which was released on 29 July 1994.

BALANCE OF PAYMENTS RATIOS

Introduction

In analysing an economy's balance of payments, it is often useful to relate balance of payments statistics to other economic indicators by deriving balance of payments ratios. These ratios enable the examination of the balance of payments within the framework of the economy as a whole, as well as facilitating more meaningful historical and international comparisons. However, it should be noted that any international comparisons need to be made with caution as the underlying economic indicators used to derive these ratios are often compiled on different bases. International comparisons are also complicated by a diversity of economic, political and social structures.

This article provides a selection of ratios that might be useful when analysing balance of payments performance over recent years. It also analyses the behaviour of the ratios over the seventeen year period 1976-77 to 1992-93, except for the import ratios, which are only available from 1981-82.

The ratios are grouped into five categories:

- current account to gross domestic product (GDP) ratios;
- imports ratios;
- import penetration ratios;
- investment servicing ratios; and
- capital transactions ratios.

The ratios are based on original current price estimates. Simple averages of the ratios for the period being analysed are also provided.

Current account to GDP ratios

Current account to GDP ratios express selected balance of payments aggregates as percentages of GDP, the measure of an economy's production level. These ratios are shown in Graph A and Table A. A negative ratio indicates a deficit in the balance of payments.

The main ratio in this category is the *balance on current account to GDP ratio*. This negative ratio has fluctuated over the period under analysis. In 1992-93 the ratio was -3.8 per cent; this compares with -3.1 per cent a year ear-

lier and the record level of -6.1 per cent recorded for 1985-86. For the period 1976-77 to 1992-93 the average ratio was -4.0 per cent.

The fluctuations in the balance on current account to GDP ratio tend to mirror those in the *balance on goods and services to GDP* ratio. In 1992-93 the *balance on goods and services to GDP* ratio was -0.4 per cent.

The *net income to GDP* ratio, another negative ratio, consistently rose in absolute terms from 1983-84 to 1990-91 after being relatively stable throughout the latter part of the 1970's. In 1992-93 the ratio was -3.5 per cent, marking the second successive fall in the ratio since 1991-92. The highest recorded ratio was -4.8 per cent in 1990-91; the lowest was -1.6 per cent in 1982-83.

The *exports of goods and services to GDP* ratio was at its lowest at 14.8 per cent in 1982-83 and 1983-84. It reached its highest level at 18.9 per cent in 1992-93, up 0.8 percentage points on the previous year. The average ratio for the period 1976-77 to 1992-93 was 16.4 per cent.

GRAPH A: CURRENT ACCOUNT TO GDP RATIOS

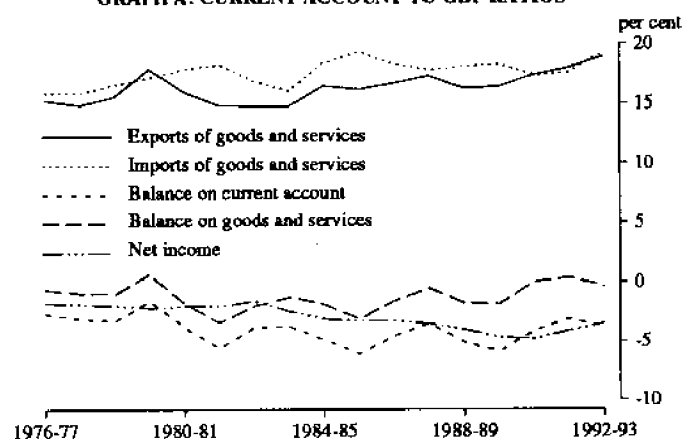


TABLE A: CURRENT ACCOUNT TO GDP RATIOS

Year	GDP (a)	Balance on current account (b)	Balance on goods and services (b)	Exports of goods and services (c)	Imports of goods and services (c)	Net income (b)	Ratios to GDP				
							Balance on current account	Balance on goods and services	Exports of goods and services	Imports of goods and services	Net income
							— \$'000 million —				
1976-77	87.7	-2.4	-0.5	13.4	13.9	-1.6	-2.7	-0.6	15.3	15.9	-1.8
1977-78	95.4	-3.0	-0.9	14.2	15.2	-1.8	-3.1	-0.9	14.9	15.9	-1.9
1978-79	108.5	-3.6	-1.1	16.9	18.0	-2.2	-3.3	-1.0	15.6	16.6	-2.0
1979-80	123.0	-2.0	0.9	22.0	21.1	-2.7	-1.6	0.7	17.9	17.2	-2.2
1980-81	140.3	-5.4	-2.5	22.5	25.1	-2.8	-3.8	-1.8	16.0	17.9	-2.0
1981-82	158.3	-8.8	-5.4	23.6	29.0	-3.2	-5.6	-3.4	14.9	18.3	-2.0
1982-83	171.9	-6.5	-3.5	25.5	29.1	-2.8	-3.8	-2.0	14.8	16.9	-1.6
1983-84	194.9	-7.3	-2.5	28.8	31.3	-4.9	-3.7	-1.3	14.8	16.1	-2.5
1984-85	216.3	-10.7	-4.1	35.6	39.7	-6.8	-4.9	-1.9	16.5	18.4	-3.1
1985-86	240.0	-14.7	-7.5	38.9	46.4	-7.9	-6.1	-3.1	16.2	19.3	-3.3
1986-87	264.5	-11.8	-4.3	44.1	48.4	-8.7	-4.5	-1.6	16.7	18.3	-3.3
1987-88	299.0	-10.4	-1.5	51.7	53.2	-10.5	-3.5	-0.5	17.3	17.8	-3.5
1988-89	340.6	-17.5	-6.1	55.5	61.5	-13.6	-5.1	-1.8	16.3	18.1	-4.0
1989-90	370.3	-21.8	-6.9	61.0	67.9	-17.3	-5.9	-1.9	16.4	18.3	-4.7
1990-91	379.3	-15.8	-0.1	66.4	66.4	-18.2	-4.2	0	17.5	17.5	-4.8
1991-92	387.3	-12.0	1.6	70.1	68.5	-15.8	-3.1	0.4	18.1	17.7	-4.1
1992-93	403.9	-15.3	-1.8	76.5	78.3	-14.2	-3.8	-0.4	18.9	19.4	-3.5
Average	..	..	..	..	..	..	-4.0	-1.2	16.4	17.6	-3.0

(a) As published in the June quarter 1994 issue of 5206.0. (b) A minus sign indicates a deficit. (c) This series carries the opposite sign to the corresponding series in the main tables of this publication.

The *imports of goods and services to GDP* ratio was at its highest at 19.4 per cent in 1992-93, and at its lowest at 15.9 per cent in 1976-77 and 1977-78. In 1992-93 the ratio rose by 1.7 percentage points on the previous year. For the period 1976-77 to 1992-93 the average ratio was 17.6 per cent.

Imports ratios

Merchandise imports can be broken down into three broad economic categories: consumption; capital; and intermediate and other. Imports ratios examine the change in composition of imports over time by expressing each of these major categories as a percentage of total merchandise imports. These ratios are shown in Graph B and Table B.

In 1991-92 and 1992-93, consumption goods accounted for 27 per cent of imports, the highest level recorded to date. For the first time in the twelve years shown, the three successive years ending 1992-93 have shown ratios in excess of the period average of 24 per cent.

The proportion of capital goods to total imports was at its highest level of 26 per cent for the years 1985-86 and 1989-90. Capital goods accounted for 23 per cent of imports in 1982-83, 1983-84, 1991-92 and 1992-93, 1 percentage point below the average for the twelve year period.

This ratio remained stable in 1992-93 after two successive declines.

Intermediate and other goods as a proportion of imports peaked at 55 per cent in 1981-82 and 1982-83. For the five years ending 1992-93 the ratio has been below the period average of 52 per cent. In 1992-93 the ratio was 50 per cent, the same as in the preceding three years.

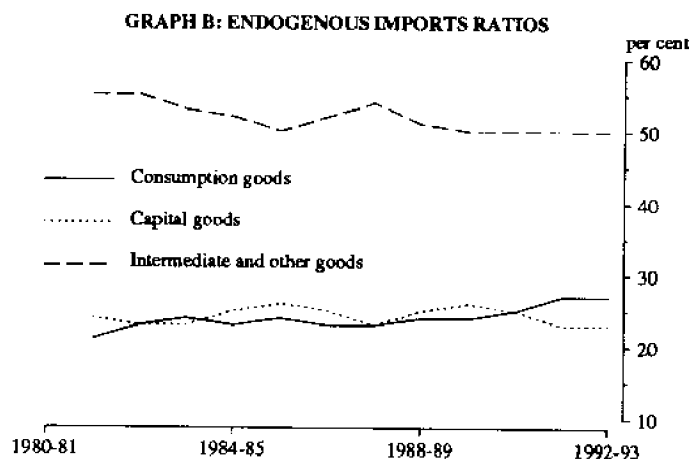


TABLE B: IMPORTS RATIOS

Year	Imports (a) (b)			Per cent of total Imports			
	Total	Consumption	Capital	Intermediate and other	Consumption	Capital	Intermediate and other
	— \$'000 million —			— per cent —			
1981-82	22.4	4.6	5.4	12.4	21	24	55
1982-83	21.7	4.9	4.9	12.0	23	23	55
1983-84	23.5	5.7	5.4	12.4	24	23	53
1984-85	30.1	7.0	7.4	15.7	23	25	52
1985-86	35.7	8.4	9.3	18.0	24	26	50
1986-87	37.2	8.4	9.4	19.4	23	25	52
1987-88	40.4	9.4	9.1	21.9	23	23	54
1988-89	47.0	11.5	11.5	24.0	24	25	51
1989-90	51.0	12.2	13.1	25.7	24	26	50
1990-91	49.2	12.3	12.3	24.6	25	25	50
1991-92	51.1	13.7	11.9	25.5	27	23	50
1992-93	59.4	15.9	13.7	29.8	27	23	50
Average	..	..	..	..	24	24	52

(a) These series carry the opposite sign to the corresponding series in the main tables of this publication. (b) Data for the years prior to 1981-82 are not available.

Import penetration ratios

Import penetration ratios are used to examine the proportion of demand for goods and services in an economy that is satisfied through imports. The import penetration ratios, shown in Graph C and Table C, comprise *imports of goods and services to gross national expenditure, imports of consumption goods to final consumption expenditure, imports of capital goods to gross fixed capital expenditure, imports of other goods and services to gross fixed capital expenditure and merchandise imports to sales*. All series used in the compilation of these ratios are at current prices.

Other goods and services are defined as intermediate and other goods plus services.

In the merchandise imports to sales ratio, sales are defined as private final consumption expenditure on goods plus private gross fixed capital expenditure on dwellings, non-dwelling construction and equipment plus public gross fixed capital expenditure plus exports of non-rural goods. A similar ratio is presented in *Australian National Accounts: National Income & Expenditure (5206.0)*. The imports to sales ratios presented in the above publication are derived using trend and seasonally adjusted data at current prices, whereas the ratios presented in this article are derived using original current price data.

For a detailed discussion on the national accounting concepts of gross national expenditure, gross fixed capital expenditure, final consumption expenditure, gross non-farm product and private non-farm stocks the reader should refer to *Australian National Accounts: Concepts, Sources and Methods (5216.0)*.

Imports of goods and services as a proportion of gross national expenditure has grown over the twelve year period, rising from 17 per cent in 1981-82 to 19 per cent in 1992-93. In both 1985-86 and 1992-93 the ratio was one percentage point above the period average of 18 per cent.

The capital goods to gross fixed capital expenditure ratio, which indicates the proportion of capital accumulation satisfied by imports from abroad, increased from 13 per cent in 1981-82 to 17 per cent in 1992-93. This is the highest point this ratio has reached in twelve years and it is three percentage points above the period average of 14 per cent.

GRAPH C: IMPORT PENETRATION RATIOS

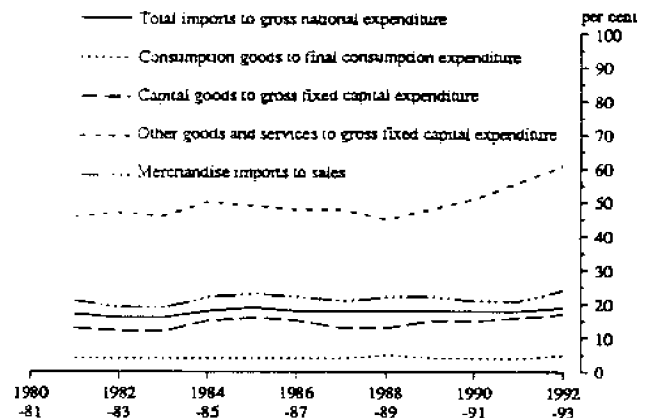


TABLE C: IMPORT PENETRATION RATIOS

Year	1981-82	1982-83	1983-84	1984-85	1985-86	1986-87	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92	1992-93	Average
—\$'000 million—													
Gross national expenditure (GNE)(a)	166.1	177.1	198.3	220.4	249.1	268.6	299.3	341.3	373.4	377.6	388.8	406.8	..
Gross Fixed Capital Expenditure (GFCE)(a)	41.5	41.1	44.3	51.0	59.2	64.9	72.0	85.1	89.5	81.7	76.7	79.6	..
Final consumption expenditure (FCE)(a)	123.1	138.4	152.6	168.4	188.4	206.2	227.7	252.4	279.5	297.8	314.0	327.7	..
Sales(b)	105.2	113.0	122.8	138.7	157.1	170.3	188.5	211.0	233.8	236.7	238.3	250.5	..
<i>Imports of goods and Services—</i>													
Total Imports(c)	29.0	29.1	31.3	39.7	46.4	48.4	53.2	61.5	67.9	66.4	68.5	78.3	..
Consumption Goods(c)(d)	4.6	4.9	5.7	7.0	8.4	8.4	9.4	11.5	12.2	12.3	13.7	15.9	..
Capital Goods(c)(d)	5.4	4.9	5.4	7.4	9.3	9.4	9.1	11.5	13.1	12.3	11.9	13.7	..
Other Goods and Services(c)(d)	19.1	19.3	20.3	25.3	28.8	30.6	34.8	38.5	42.7	41.7	42.9	48.7	..
<i>Imports of Goods and Services Ratios—</i>													
—per cent—													
Total imports to GNE	17	16	16	18	19	18	18	18	18	18	18	19	18
Consumption goods to FCE	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	5	4	4	4	5	4
Capital Goods to GFCE	13	12	12	15	16	14	13	14	15	15	16	17	14
Other goods and services to GFCE	46	47	46	50	49	47	48	45	48	51	56	61	50
Merchandise imports to sales ratio	21	19	19	22	23	22	21	22	22	21	21	24	21

(a) As published in the June quarter 1994 issue of 5206.0 (b) Sales are defined as private final consumption expenditure on goods plus private gross fixed capital expenditure on dwellings, non-dwelling construction and equipment plus public gross fixed capital expenditure plus exports of non-rural goods. (c) These entries carry the opposite sign to the corresponding series in the main tables of this publication. (d) Data for the years prior to 1981-82 are not available.

The ratio of imports of consumption goods to final consumption expenditure was constant at 4 per cent for the twelve year period, with the exception of 1988-89 and 1992-93 when it reached 5 per cent.

The ratio of other goods and services to gross fixed capital expenditure was 61 per cent in 1992-93, 5 percentage points greater than the previous year, and the highest recording for the twelve year period. The ratio was at its lowest in 1988-89 when it was 45 per cent. The period average was 50 per cent.

The merchandise imports to sales ratio has risen from 21 per cent in 1981-82 to 24 per cent in 1992-93. The lowest recording of 19 per cent occurred in 1982-83 and 1983-84.

Investment servicing ratios

When an economy raises capital from non-residents to finance economic activity, various measures can be developed to examine the servicing costs of that finance to the economy. One approach is to analyse net investment income payable to non-residents as a proportion of exports of goods and services. The ratios in Graph D and Table D include the *net investment income to exports ratio*, the *net interest to exports ratio* and the *net other investment income to exports ratio*.

Net investment income payable as a proportion of exports of goods and services grew from 11 per cent in 1976-77 to 26 per cent in 1989-90 and 1990-91 and has since fallen back to 17 per cent in 1992-93. The ratio averaged 16 per cent for the period. The main increases in the ratio oc-

curred from 1983-84 to 1989-90, with the deregulation of financial markets and rising world interest rates.

Net interest payable as a proportion of exports of goods and services grew from 2 per cent in 1976-77 to 12 per cent in 1992-93, peaking at 21 per cent in 1989-90. The period average for the ratio was 11 per cent.

Net other investment income payable as a proportion of exports of goods and services fell from 9 per cent in 1976-77 to 1 per cent, in 1982-83. The ratio fluctuated between 2 and 7 per cent over the remainder of the period with an outcome of 5 per cent recorded in 1991-92 and in 1992-93. The period average for the ratio was 5 per cent.

GRAPH D: INVESTMENT SERVICING RATIOS

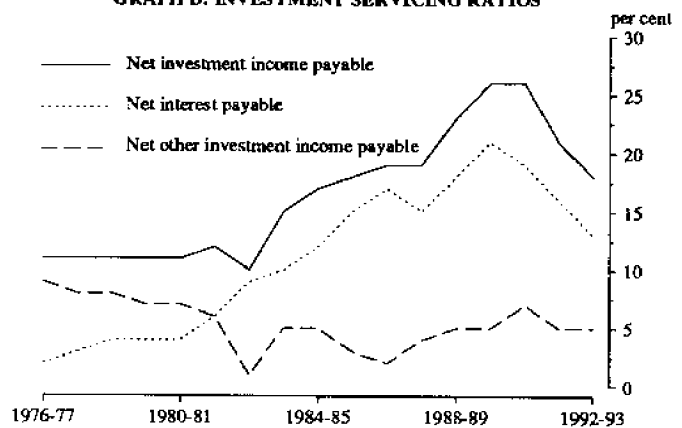


TABLE D: INVESTMENT SERVICING RATIOS

Year	Exports of goods services	Net investment income payable (a)			Ratio of net investment income to exports (b)		
		Total	Interest	Other investment income	Total	Interest	Other investment income
		— \$'000 million —			— per cent —		
1976-77	13.4	1.5	0.3	1.2	11	2	9
1977-78	14.2	1.6	0.4	1.2	11	3	8
1978-79	16.9	1.9	0.6	1.3	11	4	8
1979-80	22.0	2.4	0.9	1.5	11	4	7
1980-81	22.5	2.5	0.9	1.6	11	4	7
1981-82	23.6	2.8	1.5	1.3	12	6	6
1982-83	25.5	2.5	2.2	0.3	10	9	1
1983-84	28.8	4.4	2.9	1.5	15	10	5
1984-85	35.6	6.1	4.4	1.7	17	12	5
1985-86	38.9	7.1	5.9	1.2	18	15	3
1986-87	44.1	8.1	7.2	0.9	18	16	2
1987-88	51.7	9.5	7.8	1.7	18	15	3
1988-89	55.5	12.5	9.6	2.9	23	17	5
1989-90	61.0	16.1	12.6	3.5	26	21	6
1990-91	66.3	17.1	12.7	4.4	26	19	7
1991-92	70.1	14.7	11.0	3.7	21	16	5
1992-93	76.5	13.2	9.3	3.9	17	12	5
Average	..	..	..	..	16	11	5

(a) These series carry the opposite sign to corresponding series in the main tables of this publication. (b) Net investment income payable as a percentage of exports of goods and services.

Capital transactions ratios

The capital transactions ratios provided in Table E and Graph E can be used to examine the composition of the net balance on capital account. This is achieved by expressing transactions in broad instrument categories by direction of investment as a proportion of total net capital transactions. The broad instrument categories used are debt and "equity and other" transactions and the directions of investment are foreign investment in Australia (FIA) and Australian investment abroad (AIA). Positive transactions indicate a net capital inflow into Australia and negative transactions indicate a net capital outflow.

For FIA, borrowing has been the dominant source of finance in all but three years (1979-80, 1980-81 and 1992-93) over the seventeen year period. For AIA, the acquisition by Australian residents of equity in foreign companies was the dominant form of investment abroad in all but six years (1976-77, 1980-81 to 1982-83, 1989-90 and 1990-91).

GRAPH E: CAPITAL TRANSACTIONS RATIOS

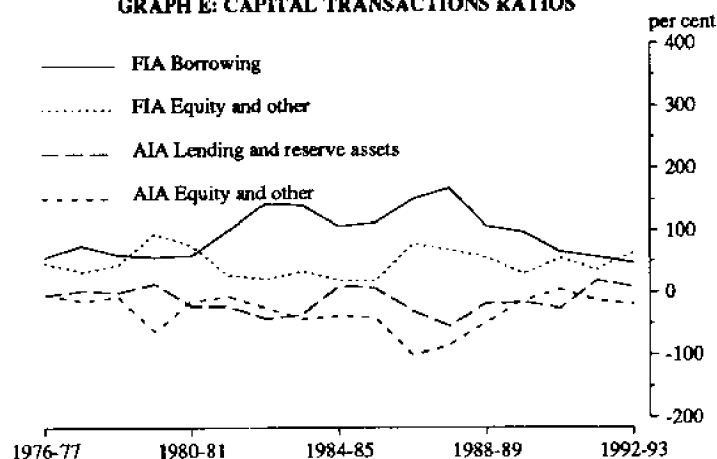


TABLE E: CAPITAL TRANSACTIONS RATIOS

Year	Foreign investment in Australia (FIA)			Australian investment abroad (AIA)			Total net capital transactions	Ratio to total net capital transactions					
	Borrowing	Equity and other	Total	Lending and reserve assets	Equity and other	Total		FIA			AIA		
								Borrowing	Equity and other	Total	Lending and reserve assets	Equity and other	Total
	— \$'000 million —							— per cent —					
1976-77	1.3	1.1	2.4	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	2.3	57	48	104	-4	-4	-4
1977-78	2.2	1.0	3.2	0.1	-0.4	-0.3	2.9	76	34	110	3	-14	-10
1978-79	2.0	1.5	3.4	—	-0.2	-0.2	3.3	61	45	103	0	-6	-6
1979-80	1.2	2.0	3.2	0.3	-1.3	-1.1	2.1	57	95	152	14	-62	-52
1980-81	2.7	3.4	6.1	-1.0	-0.6	-1.6	4.5	60	76	136	-22	-13	-36
1981-82	8.3	2.3	10.6	-1.8	-0.5	-2.3	8.3	100	28	128	-22	-6	-28
1982-83	9.1	1.4	10.4	-2.6	-1.5	-4.1	6.3	144	22	165	-41	-24	-65
1983-84	8.1	2.0	10.2	-2.0	-2.4	-4.4	5.7	142	35	179	-35	-42	-77
1984-85	12.7	2.4	15.1	1.2	-4.3	-3.2	11.9	107	20	127	10	-36	-27
1985-86	17.0	3.0	20.0	1.1	-6.0	-4.9	15.1	113	20	132	7	-40	-32
1986-87	15.1	7.8	22.8	-2.9	-10.0	-12.9	10.0	151	78	228	-29	-100	-129
1987-88	20.1	8.1	28.2	-6.3	-10.0	-16.3	11.9	169	68	237	-53	-84	-137
1988-89	21.6	11.2	32.8	-3.4	-9.4	-12.7	20.1	107	56	163	-17	-47	-63
1989-90	18.9	5.9	24.7	-3.0	-2.4	-5.4	19.3	98	31	128	-16	-12	-28
1990-91	12.1	10.1	22.2	-4.8	1.0	-3.8	18.4	66	55	121	-26	5	-21
1991-92	9.4	6.0	15.4	3.1	-2.1	1.0	16.4	57	37	94	19	-13	6
1992-93	7.9	10.8	18.7	1.5	-3.3	-1.8	16.9	47	64	111	9	-20	-11
Average	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	95	48	142	-12	-31	-42

INTERNATIONAL COMPARISON OF BALANCE OF PAYMENTS STATISTICS

There are two frequently used methods of comparing balance of payments statistics of different countries.

The first method compares the absolute size of certain key balance of payments aggregates for selected countries over time. This comparison allows analysis of the absolute size and trends in the direction of key aggregates. The method involves converting the relevant aggregates for each country from the unit of currency in which the data are normally presented, into a chosen common unit of account. This is done by use of a particular currency (often the US dollar) or a chosen weighted average of foreign currencies (often the SDR).

The second method expresses each country's aggregates as proportions of its gross domestic product (GDP) or gross national product (GNP). These ratios place the country's balance of payments developments in the context of the size of the country's economic activity. This is a comparison in domestic currency terms; movements over time in the ratios may in part be affected by differences in the impact of exchange rate variations on the numerator and denominator series.

Care should always be exercised in the use and interpretation of international statistical comparisons. An important qualification is that, despite the fact countries tend to follow international recommendations for the compilation of balance of payments statistics, differences still occur between countries in concepts, coverage, data sources and collection methods. For example, a significant coverage difference occurs when comparing current account balances because some countries (including Australia, United Kingdom, Germany and the United States) follow the international recommendation that reinvested earnings should be included in the statistics, while most countries do not.

Current account balances in US dollars for selected countries

The table below shows the current account balance for Australia and the "Group of Seven" major industrial economies (both including and excluding reinvested earnings) for the last 15 years. These balances have been converted into US dollars at quarterly period average exchange rates.

INTERNATIONAL COMPARISON OF CURRENT ACCOUNT BALANCES(a)(b)
US\$ '000 million

Year	Australia (c)	United States	United Kingdom	Germany (d)	France	Italy	Japan	Canada
— Including Reinvested Earnings —								
1978-79	-4.1	-5.3	0.1	5.5	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1979-80	-2.2	-3.6	-0.2	-11.6	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1980-81	-6.3	9.7	18.2	-13.9	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1981-82	-9.7	4.3	6.9	3.3	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1982-83	-6.1	-24.4	7.0	7.7	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1983-84	-6.6	-81.1	3.9	4.6	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1984-85	-8.4	-114.4	1.7	12.0	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1985-86	-10.3	-129.5	3.4	27.3	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1986-87	-7.8	-158.3	-3.8	46.6	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1987-88	-7.6	-147.3	-19.4	48.2	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1988-89	-14.2	-113.8	-35.0	57.5	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1989-90	-16.8	-92.7	-38.9	55.6	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1990-91	-12.4	-37.6	-19.8	5.3	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1991-92	-9.2	-44.4	-14.6	-20.0	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1992-93	-10.8	-90.9	-14.4	-22.2	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Average	-8.8	-68.6	-7.0	13.7	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
— Excluding Reinvested Earnings —								
1978-79	-3.4	-17.5	3.0	5.5	7.4	8.0	6.1	-5.1
1979-80	-1.3	-19.1	6.1	-11.8	—	-3.7	-17.3	-3.3
1980-81	-5.6	1.0	21.4	-14.8	-3.9	-12.5	-1.0	-2.8
1981-82	-9.4	-5.6	10.3	2.9	-9.8	-6.0	7.1	-2.9
1982-83	-6.9	-31.8	8.0	7.9	-11.2	-2.7	12.8	2.9
1983-84	-6.4	-89.7	2.3	3.9	-1.9	-0.3	27.9	-0.3
1984-85	-8.1	-120.5	-1.6	10.9	-0.5	-4.2	40.3	1.6
1985-86	-10.1	-155.9	0.9	25.7	1.2	-1.7	64.9	-6.3
1986-87	-7.7	-180.7	-10.4	45.5	-0.9	2.0	93.8	-7.9
1987-88	-7.4	-170.7	-27.5	47.7	-3.8	-3.7	80.3	-10.9
1988-89	-14.3	-143.6	-42.7	56.7	-5.2	-10.8	73.0	-17.2
1989-90	-17.0	-109.3	-50.0	53.0	-6.9	-12.7	47.0	-21.7
1990-91	-12.1	-38.7	-31.8	1.9	-12.0	-15.8	44.5	-21.8
1991-92	-9.1	-38.6	-23.7	-21.5	0.1	-24.2	99.5	-26.1
1992-93	-10.6	-102.1	-22.6	-23.7	8.1	-11.7	129.5	-20.3
Average	-8.6	-81.5	-10.6	12.7	-2.6	-6.7	47.2	-9.5

(a) A minus sign indicates a deficit on current account. (b) The source for all countries except Australia is *OECD (Main Economic Indicators)* April 1994. (c) Australia's current account balance has been converted to US dollars using quarterly period average exchange rates. (d) The statistics for Germany refer to western Germany (Federal Republic of Germany before the unification of Germany) before 1990-91, and to the unified Germany since 1990-91.

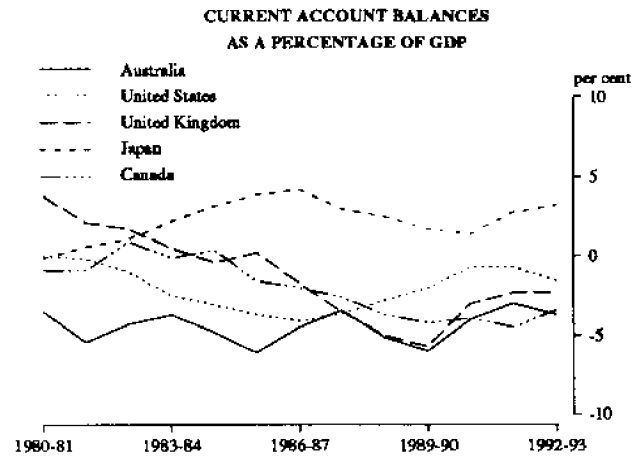
For the years selected, Australia is the only country to record a current account deficit in each year. A number of major industrial countries also record deficits in most years. When reinvested earnings are excluded, the United States recorded a deficit in all but one year (1980-81); the United Kingdom has moved from a surplus position for most years through 1985-86 to a deficit position since; and France, Italy and Canada have shown deficits in most years. In contrast Germany and Japan have maintained a surplus in most years, though Germany since reunification has shown a deficit position for the last two financial years.

Current account balances as a percentage of GDP for selected countries

In 1992-93, Australia's deficit on current account (including reinvested earnings) was -3.8 per cent of GDP. This marks a rise in the ratio for the first time since 1989-90. Australia's ratio from 1978-79 is compared with the corresponding ratios for a selection of countries in the table below.

For the years selected, Australia has recorded the highest average ratio, -4.1 per cent (excluding reinvested earnings), of the major industrial countries recording current account deficits. The comparable average

percentages for the other countries shown in the table that have also recorded current account deficits are: Canada, -2.0; the United States, -1.8; the United Kingdom, -0.9; Italy, -0.8; and France, -0.4. In contrast, the average percentages for Japan and Germany, which have recorded current account surpluses, are 1.9 and 1.3, respectively.



INTERNATIONAL COMPARISON OF CURRENT ACCOUNT BALANCES AS A PERCENTAGE OF GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT(a)(b)

Year	Australia	United States (c)	United Kingdom	Germany (c) (d)	France	Italy	Japan (c)	Canada
— Including Reinvested Earnings —								
1978-79	-3.3	-0.2	0.1	0.8	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1979-80	-1.6	-0.1	—	-1.5	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1980-81	-3.9	0.3	3.3	-1.8	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1981-82	-5.6	0.1	1.4	0.4	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1982-83	-3.8	-0.7	1.5	1.2	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1983-84	-3.8	-2.2	0.8	0.7	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1984-85	-5.0	-2.9	0.4	2.1	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1985-86	-6.1	-3.1	0.7	3.6	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1986-87	-4.5	-3.6	-0.6	4.6	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1987-88	-3.5	-3.1	-2.4	4.1	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1988-89	-5.1	-2.2	-4.1	4.9	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1989-90	-5.9	-1.7	-4.5	4.3	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1990-91	-4.1	-0.7	-1.9	0.3	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1991-92	-3.1	-0.8	-1.4	-1.1	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1992-93	-3.8	-1.5	-1.4	-1.2	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Average	-4.2	-1.5	-0.5	1.4	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
— Excluding Reinvested Earnings —								
1978-79	-2.7	-0.7	0.9	0.8	1.4	2.4	0.6	-2.3
1979-80	-1.0	-0.7	1.3	-1.5	—	-0.8	-1.8	-1.3
1980-81	-3.5	—	3.8	-1.9	-0.6	-2.9	-0.1	-0.9
1981-82	-5.4	-0.2	2.1	0.4	-1.7	-1.5	0.6	-0.9
1982-83	-4.3	-1.0	1.7	1.2	-2.1	-0.7	1.1	0.9
1983-84	-3.7	-2.5	0.5	0.6	-0.4	-0.1	2.2	-0.1
1984-85	-4.8	-3.1	-0.4	1.9	-0.1	-1.1	3.2	0.4
1985-86	-6.0	-3.7	0.2	3.3	0.2	-0.3	3.9	-1.6
1986-87	-4.5	-4.1	-1.7	4.5	-0.1	0.4	4.2	-2.0
1987-88	-3.4	-3.6	-3.5	4.0	-0.4	-0.4	3.0	-2.6
1988-89	-5.1	-2.8	-5.0	4.8	-0.6	-1.3	2.5	-3.7
1989-90	-6.0	-2.0	-5.7	4.1	-0.6	-1.3	1.7	-4.2
1990-91	-4.0	-0.7	-3.0	0.1	-1.0	-1.3	1.4	-3.9
1991-92	-3.0	-0.7	-2.3	-1.2	—	-2.0	2.8	-4.5
1992-93	-3.7	-1.6	-2.3	-1.2	0.6	-1.0	3.3	-3.4
Average	-4.1	-1.8	-0.9	1.3	-0.4	-0.8	1.9	-2.0

(a) A minus sign indicates a deficit on current account. (b) The source for all countries except Australia is *OECD (Main Economic Indicators)* April 1994 and national source data. For Australia the source of the GDP estimates used in the calculation is the June quarter 1994 issue of *ABS Catalogue No. 5206.0*. (c) Ratios for United States, Japan, Germany are calculated using gross national product. (d) The statistics for Germany refer to western Germany (Federal Republic of Germany) before the unification of Germany) before 1990-91, and to the unified Germany since 1990-91.

TABLE 1. BALANCE OF PAYMENTS — SUMMARY
(\$ million)

	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92	1992-93
Current transactions —						
<i>Goods and services —</i>						
<i>Merchandise (a) —</i>						
Exports fob	41,515	43,894	48,564	52,155	54,874	60,022
Imports fob	-40,386	-47,012	-50,992	-49,244	-51,055	-59,427
<i>Balance on merchandise trade</i>	<i>1,129</i>	<i>-3,118</i>	<i>-2,428</i>	<i>2,911</i>	<i>3,819</i>	<i>595</i>
<i>Services —</i>						
Credits	10,212	11,595	12,465	14,145	15,201	16,485
Debits	-12,863	-14,537	-16,925	-17,119	-17,444	-18,899
<i>Net services</i>	<i>-2,651</i>	<i>-2,942</i>	<i>-4,460</i>	<i>-2,974</i>	<i>-2,243</i>	<i>-2,414</i>
<i>Balance on goods and services</i>	<i>-1,522</i>	<i>-6,060</i>	<i>-6,888</i>	<i>-63</i>	<i>1,576</i>	<i>-1,819</i>
<i>Income —</i>						
Credits	4,042	4,358	4,679	3,972	4,257	5,573
Debits	-14,559	-17,979	-21,953	-22,138	-20,045	-19,818
<i>Net income</i>	<i>-10,517</i>	<i>-13,621</i>	<i>-17,274</i>	<i>-18,166</i>	<i>-15,788</i>	<i>-14,245</i>
<i>Unrequited transfers —</i>						
Credits	3,545	4,210	4,518	4,711	4,584	3,119
Debits	-1,880	-2,002	-2,189	-2,283	-2,343	-2,392
<i>Net unrequited transfers</i>	<i>1,665</i>	<i>2,208</i>	<i>2,329</i>	<i>2,428</i>	<i>2,241</i>	<i>727</i>
Balance on current account	-10,374	-17,473	-21,833	-15,801	-11,971	-15,337
Net capital transactions —						
<i>Official —</i>						
<i>General government —</i>						
Foreign investment in Australia	3,864	2,982	3,674	737	2,066	11,586
Australian investment abroad	462	30	-31	-420	656	44
<i>Total</i>	<i>4,325</i>	<i>3,012</i>	<i>3,643</i>	<i>317</i>	<i>2,723</i>	<i>11,630</i>
<i>Reserve Bank —</i>						
Foreign investment in Australia	-8	—	24	-22	21	39
Australian investment abroad	-3,924	-873	-2,156	-1,446	3,929	3,950
<i>Total</i>	<i>-3,932</i>	<i>-873</i>	<i>-2,132</i>	<i>-1,468</i>	<i>3,950</i>	<i>3,989</i>
<i>Total official</i>	<i>393</i>	<i>2,139</i>	<i>1,511</i>	<i>-1,151</i>	<i>6,673</i>	<i>15,619</i>
<i>Non-official —</i>						
Foreign investment in Australia	24,318	29,821	21,041	21,504	13,368	7,086
Australian investment abroad	-12,812	-11,886	-3,228	-1,949	-3,597	-5,811
<i>Total non-official</i>	<i>11,506</i>	<i>17,936</i>	<i>17,812</i>	<i>19,555</i>	<i>9,771</i>	<i>1,275</i>
Balance on capital account	11,900	20,074	19,324	18,404	16,444	16,895
<i>Balancing item</i>	<i>-1,526</i>	<i>-2,601</i>	<i>2,509</i>	<i>-2,603</i>	<i>-4,473</i>	<i>-1,558</i>

(a) Balance of payments basis.

TABLE 2. CURRENT ACCOUNT — SUMMARY
(\$ million)

	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92	1992-93
Current transactions —						
<i>Goods and services —</i>						
<i>Merchandise (a) —</i>						
Exports fob	41,515	43,894	48,564	52,155	54,874	60,022
Imports fob	-40,386	-47,012	-50,992	-49,244	-51,055	-59,427
<i>Balance on merchandise trade</i>	1,129	-3,118	-2,428	2,911	3,819	595
<i>Services —</i>						
<i>Credits —</i>						
Shipment	820	869	917	1,029	1,112	1,241
Other transportation	3,044	3,178	3,402	3,811	4,069	4,614
Travel	3,777	4,577	4,639	5,351	5,939	6,407
Other services	2,571	2,971	3,507	3,954	4,081	4,223
<i>Total services credits</i>	10,212	11,595	12,465	14,145	15,201	16,485
<i>Debits —</i>						
Shipment	-2,923	-3,250	-3,443	-3,188	-3,257	-3,772
Other transportation	-2,985	-3,467	-4,058	-4,156	-4,432	-4,637
Travel	-3,749	-4,363	-5,164	-5,253	-5,148	-5,552
Other services	-3,206	-3,457	-4,260	-4,522	-4,607	-4,938
<i>Total services debits</i>	-12,863	-14,537	-16,925	-17,119	-17,444	-18,899
<i>Net services</i>	-2,651	-2,942	-4,460	-2,974	-2,243	-2,414
<i>Balance on goods and services</i>	-1,522	-6,060	-6,888	-63	1,576	-1,819
<i>Income —</i>						
<i>Credits —</i>						
Property income —						
Reinvested earnings	2,163	2,166	1,364	204	555	1,930
Other	1,708	1,953	2,778	3,166	3,230	3,129
Labour and other income	171	239	537	602	472	514
<i>Total income credits</i>	4,042	4,358	4,679	3,972	4,257	5,573
<i>Debits —</i>						
Property income —						
Reinvested earnings	-2,428	-2,132	-1,126	-676	-752	-2,318
Other	-11,921	-15,568	-20,421	-21,033	-18,967	-17,189
Labour and other income	-210	-279	-406	-429	-326	-311
<i>Total income debits</i>	-14,559	-17,979	-21,953	-22,138	-20,045	-19,818
<i>Net income</i>	-10,517	-13,621	-17,274	-18,166	-15,788	-14,245
<i>Unrequited transfers —</i>						
Credits	3,545	4,210	4,518	4,711	4,584	3,119
Debits	-1,880	-2,002	-2,189	-2,283	-2,343	-2,392
<i>Net unrequited transfers</i>	1,665	2,208	2,329	2,428	2,241	727
Balance on current account	-10,374	-17,473	-21,833	-15,801	-11,971	-15,337

(a) Balance of payments basis.

TABLE 3. CAPITAL ACCOUNT — SUMMARY
(\$ million)

	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92	1992-93
Net capital transactions —						
<i>Official —</i>						
<i>General government —</i>						
<i>Foreign investment in Australia —</i>						
Borrowing	3,935	3,170	3,748	742	2,095	11,621
Other	-71	-188	-74	-5	-29	-35
Total	3,864	2,982	3,674	737	2,066	11,586
<i>Australian investment abroad</i>	462	30	-31	-420	656	44
<i>Total general government</i>	4,325	3,012	3,643	317	2,723	11,630
<i>Reserve Bank —</i>						
<i>Foreign investment in Australia</i>	-8	—	24	-22	21	39
<i>Australian investment abroad —</i>						
Reserve assets	-3,924	-873	-2,156	-1,446	3,929	3,950
Other	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	-3,924	-873	-2,156	-1,446	3,929	3,950
<i>Total Reserve Bank</i>	-3,932	-873	-2,132	-1,468	3,950	3,989
<i>Total official</i>	393	2,139	1,511	-1,151	6,673	15,619
<i>Non-official —</i>						
<i>Foreign investment in Australia —</i>						
Direct investment —						
Reinvestment of earnings	2,428	2,132	1,127	674	750	2,318
Other	5,684	9,958	6,235	7,872	6,134	2,738
Portfolio and other investment	16,207	17,731	13,679	12,958	6,483	2,030
Total foreign investment in Australia	24,318	29,821	21,041	21,504	13,368	7,086
<i>Australian investment abroad —</i>						
Direct investment —						
Reinvestment of earnings	-2,163	-2,166	-1,365	-205	-555	-1,930
Other	-7,983	-4,458	-901	1,018	-410	-1,297
Portfolio and other investment	-2,666	-5,262	-963	-2,762	-2,632	-2,584
Total Australian investment abroad	-12,812	-11,886	-3,228	-1,949	-3,597	-5,811
<i>Total non-official</i>	11,506	17,936	17,812	19,555	9,771	1,275
Balance on capital account	11,900	20,074	19,324	18,404	16,444	16,895
<i>Of which —</i>						
Net equity	-1,741	1,662	4,228	11,760	2,386	7,356
Net debt	13,749	18,266	15,902	7,284	12,506	9,403
Net other	-108	146	-807	-641	1,551	135

TABLE 4. CURRENT ACCOUNT BY REGION (a) — 1992-93
(\$ million)

	OECD								Total OECD
	EC					Japan	New Zealand	Other	
	USA	Canada	UK	Germany(b)	Other				
Current transactions —									
<i>Goods and services —</i>									
<i>Merchandise (c) —</i>									
Exports fob	4,941	1,158	2,394	995	3,681	15,206	3,365	963	32,703
Imports fob	-12,954	-983	-3,393	-3,383	-4,828	-11,168	-2,776	-2,538	-42,023
<i>Balance on merchandise trade</i>	<i>-8,013</i>	<i>175</i>	<i>-999</i>	<i>-2,388</i>	<i>-1,147</i>	<i>4,038</i>	<i>589</i>	<i>-1,575</i>	<i>-9,320</i>
<i>Services —</i>									
<i>Credits —</i>									
Shipment	58	—	51	7	125	376	66	11	694
Other transportation	584	69	638	115	225	1,190	154	150	3,125
Travel	556	95	541	259	263	1,329	508	205	3,756
Other services	881	47	467	98	200	256	317	79	2,345
<i>Total services credits</i>	<i>2,079</i>	<i>211</i>	<i>1,697</i>	<i>479</i>	<i>813</i>	<i>3,151</i>	<i>1,045</i>	<i>445</i>	<i>9,920</i>
<i>Debits —</i>									
Shipment	-301	-16	-736	-162	-395	-509	-124	-306	-2,549
Other transportation	-802	-67	-546	-194	-332	-405	-229	-95	-2,670
Travel	-729	-142	-934	-127	-665	-145	-376	-170	-3,288
Other services	-1,177	-55	-798	-114	-265	-321	-209	-192	-3,131
<i>Total services debits</i>	<i>-3,009</i>	<i>-280</i>	<i>-3,014</i>	<i>-597</i>	<i>-1,657</i>	<i>-1,380</i>	<i>-938</i>	<i>-763</i>	<i>-11,638</i>
<i>Net services</i>	<i>-930</i>	<i>-69</i>	<i>-1,317</i>	<i>-118</i>	<i>-844</i>	<i>1,771</i>	<i>107</i>	<i>-318</i>	<i>-1,718</i>
<i>Balance on goods and services</i>	<i>-8,943</i>	<i>106</i>	<i>-2,316</i>	<i>-2,506</i>	<i>-1,991</i>	<i>5,809</i>	<i>696</i>	<i>-1,893</i>	<i>-11,038</i>
<i>Income —</i>									
<i>Credits —</i>									
<i>Property income —</i>									
Reinvested earnings	715	52	749	np	np	np	125	np	1,621
Other	971	41	80	np	np	np	153	np	2,527
Labour and other income	99	6	48	8	34	11	67	8	281
<i>Total income credits</i>	<i>1,785</i>	<i>99</i>	<i>877</i>	<i>103</i>	<i>267</i>	<i>84</i>	<i>345</i>	<i>875</i>	<i>4,429</i>
<i>Debits —</i>									
<i>Property income —</i>									
Reinvested earnings	-1,264	-34	-853	-71	-35	412	-257	-94	-2,196
Other	-4,804	-98	-2,499	-255	-866	-2,772	-131	-483	-11,908
Labour and other income	-29	-5	-29	-10	-18	-61	-44	-10	-206
<i>Total income debits</i>	<i>-6,097</i>	<i>-137</i>	<i>-3,381</i>	<i>-336</i>	<i>-919</i>	<i>-2,421</i>	<i>-432</i>	<i>-587</i>	<i>-14,310</i>
<i>Net income</i>	<i>-4,312</i>	<i>-38</i>	<i>-2,504</i>	<i>-233</i>	<i>-658</i>	<i>-2,337</i>	<i>-87</i>	<i>288</i>	<i>-9,881</i>
<i>Unrequited transfers —</i>									
Credits	340	19	800	54	169	131	91	181	1,785
Debits	-122	-23	-252	-30	-193	-56	-110	-39	-825
<i>Net unrequited transfers</i>	<i>218</i>	<i>-4</i>	<i>548</i>	<i>24</i>	<i>-24</i>	<i>75</i>	<i>-19</i>	<i>142</i>	<i>960</i>
Balance on current account	-13,037	64	-4,272	-2,715	-2,673	3,547	590	-1,463	-19,959

For footnotes see next page.

TABLE 4. CURRENT ACCOUNT BY REGION (a) — 1992-93 — continued
(\$ million)

	Non-OECD					Total
	ASEAN	Papua New Guinea	OPEC (excluding Indonesia)	Other countries	Other (d)	
Current Transactions —						
<i>Goods and Services —</i>						
<i>Merchandise (c) —</i>						
Exports fob	8,669	855	1,332	15,959	504	60,022
Imports fob	-4,723	-1,254	-1,582	-9,783	-62	-59,427
<i>Balance on merchandise trade</i>	<i>3,946</i>	<i>-399</i>	<i>-250</i>	<i>6,176</i>	<i>442</i>	<i>595</i>
<i>Services —</i>						
<i>Credits —</i>						
Shipment	102	48	25	301	71	1,241
Other transportation	536	48	18	799	88	4,614
Travel	1,147	83	16	1,367	36	6,407
Other services	577	124	25	657	495	4,223
<i>Total services credits</i>	<i>2,362</i>	<i>303</i>	<i>84</i>	<i>3,124</i>	<i>690</i>	<i>16,485</i>
<i>Debits —</i>						
Shipment	-364	-1	-25	-767	-66	-3,772
Other transportation	-931	-21	-35	-910	-70	-4,637
Travel	-733	-54	-32	-1,284	-162	-5,552
Other services	-457	-40	-18	-919	-371	-4,938
<i>Total services debits</i>	<i>-2,485</i>	<i>-116</i>	<i>-110</i>	<i>-3,880</i>	<i>-669</i>	<i>-18,899</i>
<i>Net services</i>	<i>-123</i>	<i>187</i>	<i>-26</i>	<i>-756</i>	<i>21</i>	<i>-2,414</i>
<i>Balance on goods and services</i>	<i>3,823</i>	<i>-212</i>	<i>-276</i>	<i>5,420</i>	<i>463</i>	<i>-1,819</i>
<i>Income —</i>						
<i>Credits —</i>						
<i>Property income —</i>						
Reinvested earnings	108	168	—	33	—	1,930
Other	108	70	—	258	162	3,129
Labour and other income	102	7	3	119	2	514
<i>Total income credits</i>	<i>318</i>	<i>245</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>412</i>	<i>165</i>	<i>5,573</i>
<i>Debits —</i>						
<i>Property income —</i>						
Reinvested earnings	-11	np	np	-111	3	-2,318
Other	-343	np	np	-804	-4,117	-17,189
Labour and other income	-40	-6	-2	-56	-1	-311
<i>Total income debits</i>	<i>-394</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>-29</i>	<i>-971</i>	<i>-4,115</i>	<i>-19,818</i>
<i>Net income</i>	<i>-76</i>	<i>246</i>	<i>-26</i>	<i>-559</i>	<i>-3,950</i>	<i>-14,245</i>
<i>Unrequited transfers —</i>						
Credits	479	26	2	634	193	3,119
Debits	-371	-365	-5	-597	-229	-2,392
<i>Net unrequited transfers</i>	<i>108</i>	<i>-339</i>	<i>-3</i>	<i>37</i>	<i>-36</i>	<i>727</i>
Balance on current account	3,855	-305	-305	4,898	-3,523	-15,337

(a) For country composition contact the ABS (see page iii). (b) Includes the former German Democratic Republic and Federal Republic of Germany.
(c) Balance of payments basis. (d) Includes international institutions, international capital markets and unallocated. NOTE: A reconciliation of the current and capital accounts by individual country or region is not possible as goods and services purchased from or sold to another country may be financed by capital raised in a third country. For an explanation refer to ABS publication 5331.0, page 21.

TABLE 5. CAPITAL ACCOUNT BY REGION (a) — 1992-93
(\$ million)

	OECD								Total OECD
	EC					Japan	New Zealand	Other	
	USA	Canada	UK	Germany (b)	Other				
Net capital transactions —									
<i>Official —</i>									
<i>General government —</i>									
<i>Foreign investment in Australia —</i>									
Borrowing	3,212	np	np	np	np	-1,921	np	np	3,246
Other (c)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total (c)	3,212	np	np	np	np	-1,921	np	np	3,246
<i>Australian investment abroad</i>	—	np	np	np	np	—	np	np	50
<i>Total general government (c)</i>	3,212	-5	2,029	112	-43	-1,921	4	-92	3,296
<i>Reserve Bank (d) —</i>	465	—	—	—	—	—	—	3,537	4,002
<i>Total official (c)(d)</i>	3,677	-5	2,029	112	-43	-1,921	4	3,445	7,298
<i>Total non-official —</i>									
<i>Foreign investment in Australia</i>									
<i>Direct investment —</i>									
Reinvestment of earnings	np	np	853	71	35	np	np	94	2,196
Other	np	222	447	286	188	np	235	602	3,056
Portfolio and other investment	4,793	np	384	-229	291	-907	np	np	3,766
<i>Total foreign investment in Australia</i>	7,114	np	1,684	127	514	-1,299	266	np	9,019
<i>Australian investment abroad —</i>									
<i>Direct investment —</i>									
Reinvestment of earnings	-715	np	-749	np	np	np	-125	-6	-1,621
Other	-192	np	1,030	np	np	np	-1,155	3	-831
Portfolio and other investment	426	-171	-990	32	-851	644	114	-186	-982
<i>Total Australian investment abroad</i>	-481	np	-709	11	-1,257	625	-1,166	np	-3,434
<i>Total non-official</i>	6,633	210	975	138	-743	-674	-900	-54	5,585
Balance on capital account (c)(d)	10,310	205	3,004	250	-786	-2,595	-896	3,391	12,883

For footnotes see next page.

TABLE 5. CAPITAL ACCOUNT BY REGION (a) — 1992-93 — Continued
(\$ million)

	Non-OECD					Total
	ASEAN	Papua and New Guinea	OPEC (excluding Indonesia)	Other countries	Other (e)	
Net capital transactions —						
<i>Official —</i>						
<i>General government —</i>						
<i>Foreign investment in Australia</i>						
Borrowing	22	—	—	615	7,777	11,621
Other (c)	—	—	—	—	-35	-35
Total (c)	22	—	—	615	7,742	11,586
<i>Australian investment abroad</i>	—	—	—	—	-45	44
<i>Total general government(c)</i>	22	—	—	615	7,697	11,630
<i>Reserve Bank (d) —</i>	—	—	—	19	-32	3,989
<i>Total official (c) (d)</i>	22	—	—	634	7,665	15,619
<i>Total non-official —</i>						
<i>Foreign investment in Australia</i>						
Direct investment —						
Reinvestment of earnings	11	np	np	111	-3	2,318
Other	-393	np	np	-732	873	2,738
Portfolio & other investment (c)	-892	np	np	1,682	-2,519	2,030
<i>Total foreign investment in Australia</i>	-1,273	-81	12	1,060	-1,649	7,086
<i>Australian investment abroad —</i>						
Direct investment —						
Reinvestment of earnings	-108	-168	—	-33	—	-1,930
Other	-265	np	np	-617	392	-1,297
Portfolio & other investment	-146	np	np	-952	-505	-2,584
<i>Total Australian investment abroad</i>	-520	-175	32	-1,602	-113	-5,811
<i>Total non-official</i>	-1,793	-256	44	-541	-1,762	1,275
Balance on capital account (c) (d)	-1,771	-256	44	93	5,903	16,895

(a) For country composition contact the ABS (see page iii). (b) Includes the former German Democratic Republic and Federal Republic of Germany. (c) Data on other foreign investment in Australia relating to the general government sector are not available by region and are included in the 'other' category described in footnote (e). (d) For reserve assets, foreign exchange denominated in \$US is classified to 'USA' and foreign exchange not denominated in \$US is classified to 'Other OECD'. (e) Includes international institutions, international capital markets and unallocated. NOTE: A reconciliation of the current and capital accounts by individual country or region is not possible as goods and services purchased from or sold to another country may be financed by capital raised in a third country. For an explanation refer to ABS publication 5331.0, page 21.

TABLE 6. EXPORTS AND IMPORTS OF GOODS AND SERVICES AT CURRENT AND AVERAGE 1989-90 PRICES AND TERMS OF TRADE

	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92	1992-93
At current prices (\$ million)						
Merchandise exports fob	41,515	43,894	48,564	52,155	54,874	60,022
Services, credits	10,212	11,595	12,465	14,145	15,201	16,485
<i>Total exports of goods and services</i>	<i>51,727</i>	<i>55,489</i>	<i>61,029</i>	<i>66,300</i>	<i>70,075</i>	<i>76,507</i>
Merchandise imports fob	-40,386	-47,012	-50,992	-49,244	-51,055	-59,427
Services, debits	-12,863	-14,537	-16,925	-17,119	-17,444	-18,899
<i>Total imports of goods and services</i>	<i>-53,249</i>	<i>-61,549</i>	<i>-67,917</i>	<i>-66,363</i>	<i>-68,499</i>	<i>-78,326</i>
<i>Balance on goods and services</i>	<i>-1,522</i>	<i>-6,060</i>	<i>-6,888</i>	<i>-63</i>	<i>1,576</i>	<i>-1,819</i>
At average 1989-90 prices (\$ million)						
Merchandise exports fob	45,908	45,599	48,564	54,489	59,804	62,957
Services, credits	11,061	12,194	12,465	13,413	14,238	15,280
<i>Total exports of goods and services</i>	<i>56,969</i>	<i>57,793</i>	<i>61,029</i>	<i>67,902</i>	<i>74,042</i>	<i>78,237</i>
Merchandise imports fob	-39,007	-48,913	-50,992	-48,478	-50,682	-55,066
Services, debits	-13,040	-15,572	-16,925	-15,992	-16,097	-16,312
<i>Total imports of goods and services</i>	<i>-52,047</i>	<i>-64,485</i>	<i>-67,917</i>	<i>-64,470</i>	<i>-66,779</i>	<i>-71,378</i>
<i>Balance on goods and services</i>	<i>4,922</i>	<i>-6,692</i>	<i>-6,888</i>	<i>3,432</i>	<i>7,263</i>	<i>6,859</i>
Implicit price deflators (base: 1989-90=100.0)						
Merchandise exports fob	90.4	96.3	100.0	95.7	91.8	95.3
Services, credits	92.3	95.1	100.0	105.5	106.8	107.9
<i>Total exports of goods and services</i>	<i>90.8</i>	<i>96.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>97.6</i>	<i>94.6</i>	<i>97.8</i>
Merchandise imports fob	103.5	96.1	100.0	101.6	100.7	107.9
Services, debits	98.6	93.4	100.0	107.0	108.4	115.9
<i>Total imports of goods and services</i>	<i>102.3</i>	<i>95.4</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>102.9</i>	<i>102.5</i>	<i>109.7</i>
Fixed-weighted indexes (base: 1989-90 = 100.0) (a)						
Merchandise exports fob	92.2	95.6	100.0	95.5	91.8	95.2
Services, credits	93.0	95.5	100.0	105.6	107.2	108.2
<i>Total exports of good and services</i>	<i>92.4</i>	<i>95.6</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>97.5</i>	<i>94.9</i>	<i>97.9</i>
Merchandise imports fob	104.3	96.3	100.0	102.1	102.2	110.9
Services, debits	99.2	93.3	100.0	107.3	108.9	117.8
<i>Total imports of goods and services</i>	<i>103.1</i>	<i>95.6</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>103.4</i>	<i>103.8</i>	<i>112.6</i>
Terms of trade (base: 1989-90 = 100.0)						
Merchandise trade (b)	87.3	100.2	100.0	94.2	91.2	88.3
Services (c)	93.6	101.8	100.0	98.6	98.5	93.1
<i>Goods and services (d)</i>	<i>88.8</i>	<i>100.6</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>94.8</i>	<i>92.3</i>	<i>89.2</i>

(a) The fixed-weighted indexes are derived by combining individual component prices (base year 1989-90 = 100) with a weighting to reflect the relative importance of the components in the base year. For further details see *Balance of Payments, Australia: Concepts, Sources and Methods* (5331.0), page 30. (b) Derived by dividing the IPD for 'merchandise exports fob' by the IPD for 'merchandise imports fob'. (c) Derived by dividing the IPD for 'services, credits' by the IPD for 'services, debits'. (d) Derived by dividing the IPD for 'total exports of goods and services' by the IPD for 'total imports of goods and services'.

TABLE 7. MERCHANDISE (BALANCE OF PAYMENTS BASIS)

	(\$ million)					
	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92	1992-93
Exports fob —						
<i>Rural exports fob —</i>						
Meat & meat preparations	2,557	2,270	2,936	3,173	3,434	3,750
Cereal grains & cereal preparations (a)	2,298	2,828	3,288	2,436	2,352	2,954
Sugar, sugar preparations & honey	701	934	1,104	948	747	1,072
Wool and sheepskins	5,806	5,984	3,753	2,887	3,829	3,367
Other rural	3,979	4,053	4,263	4,578	5,241	5,937
<i>Total rural</i>	<i>15,341</i>	<i>16,069</i>	<i>15,344</i>	<i>14,022</i>	<i>15,603</i>	<i>17,080</i>
<i>Non-rural exports fob —</i>						
Metal ores & minerals (a)	5,480	6,689	7,600	8,557	7,938	7,943
<i>Mineral fuels —</i>						
Coal, coke and briquettes	4,866	4,805	5,932	6,480	6,949	7,620
Other mineral fuels	1,786	1,258	2,068	3,595	3,402	3,913
<i>Metals —</i>						
Gold	3,107	3,021	3,764	4,136	4,605	4,580
Other metals	3,863	4,669	4,650	4,737	4,702	5,210
Machinery	1,836	1,917	2,468	3,123	3,471	4,344
Transport equipment	1,022	912	1,178	1,907	1,655	2,022
Other manufactures	3,006	3,299	4,061	4,355	5,268	6,026
Other non-rural (a)	1,208	1,255	1,499	1,243	1,281	1,284
<i>Total non-rural</i>	<i>26,174</i>	<i>27,825</i>	<i>33,220</i>	<i>38,133</i>	<i>39,271</i>	<i>42,942</i>
Total exports fob	41,515	43,894	48,564	52,155	54,874	60,022
Imports fob (b) —						
<i>Consumption goods fob (c) —</i>						
Food and beverages, mainly for consumption	-1,454	-1,665	-1,796	-1,923	-2,028	-2,261
Household electrical items	-978	-1,171	-1,184	-1,103	-1,257	-1,382
Non-industrial transport equipment	-1,556	-2,525	-2,477	-2,466	-2,777	-3,478
Textiles, clothing and footwear	-1,264	-1,393	-1,551	-1,623	-1,799	-2,178
Toys, books and leisure goods	-1,318	-1,462	-1,695	-1,741	-2,015	-2,238
Consumption goods nes	-2,811	-3,248	-3,475	-3,449	-3,793	-4,389
<i>Total consumption goods</i>	<i>-9,381</i>	<i>-11,464</i>	<i>-12,178</i>	<i>-12,305</i>	<i>-13,669</i>	<i>-15,926</i>
<i>Capital goods fob (c) —</i>						
Machinery and industrial equipment	-4,205	-4,530	-5,248	-4,488	-4,320	-5,446
ADP equipment	-1,508	-1,959	-1,997	-1,880	-1,915	-2,319
Telecommunications equipment	-634	-691	-750	-832	-949	-1,224
Civil aircraft	-318	-1,097	-1,589	-1,885	-1,685	-828
Industrial transport equipment nes	-1,003	-1,673	-1,714	-1,605	-1,240	-1,838
Capital goods nes	-1,415	-1,590	-1,779	-1,627	-1,788	-2,000
<i>Total capital goods</i>	<i>-9,083</i>	<i>-11,540</i>	<i>-13,077</i>	<i>-12,317</i>	<i>-11,897</i>	<i>-13,655</i>
<i>Intermediate and other goods fob (c) —</i>						
Food and beverages, mainly for industry	-497	-505	-435	-390	-388	-436
Primary industrial supplies nes	-674	-707	-689	-556	-586	-677
Fuels and lubricants	-1,942	-1,905	-2,338	-2,977	-2,715	-3,623
Parts for transport equipment	-2,447	-2,840	-3,275	-3,028	-2,941	-3,675
Parts for ADP equipment	-719	-899	-1,073	-1,109	-1,278	-1,423
Other parts for capital goods	-3,036	-3,216	-3,717	-3,426	-3,558	-4,232
Organic and inorganic chemicals (a)	-1,618	-1,838	-1,828	-1,675	-1,804	-2,056
Paper and paperboard	-1,171	-1,280	-1,267	-1,142	-1,295	-1,381
Textile yarn and fabrics	-1,637	-1,669	-1,588	-1,516	-1,680	-1,763
Iron and steel	-829	-1,076	-1,033	-887	-822	-946
Plastics	-926	-1,159	-1,122	-1,036	-1,086	-1,272
Non-monetary gold	-77	-150	-278	-624	-1,034	-1,019
Processed industrial supplies nes	-4,835	-5,699	-6,224	-5,817	-6,059	-7,135
Other goods (a)	-1,514	-1,065	-870	-439	-243	-208
<i>Total intermediate and other goods</i>	<i>-21,922</i>	<i>-24,008</i>	<i>-25,737</i>	<i>-24,622</i>	<i>-25,489</i>	<i>-29,846</i>
Total imports fob	-40,386	-47,012	-50,992	-49,244	-51,055	-59,427
Balance on merchandise trade	1,129	-3,118	-2,428	2,911	3,819	595

(a) From 1990-91 entries for categories are not strictly comparable with entries for earlier periods, due to changed confidentiality embargo procedures applied in the compilation of certain merchandise trade statistics. (b) From 1990-91 changed arrangements applied to the classification of government imports. As a result, categories are not strictly comparable with those for earlier periods. (c) Definitions of the component series are given in the ABS Information Paper, *Change to Commodity Classification of Merchandise Imports in Balance of Payments Publications* (ABS Catalogue No. 5344.0).

TABLE 8. MERCHANDISE (BALANCE OF PAYMENTS BASIS) AT AVERAGE 1989-90 PRICES

	(\$ million)					
	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92	1992-93
Exports fob —						
<i>Rural exports fob —</i>						
Meat & meat preparations	2,793	2,438	2,936	3,259	3,511	3,766
Cereal grains & cereal preparations (a)	3,346	3,078	3,288	3,466	2,713	3,105
Sugar, sugar preparations & honey	1,015	1,110	1,104	1,029	923	1,228
Wool and sheepskins	5,524	5,125	3,753	4,002	5,781	5,206
Other rural	4,081	4,174	4,263	4,683	5,230	5,655
<i>Total rural</i>	<i>16,759</i>	<i>15,925</i>	<i>15,344</i>	<i>16,439</i>	<i>18,158</i>	<i>18,960</i>
<i>Non-rural exports fob —</i>						
Metal ores & minerals (a)	7,420	7,623	7,600	8,729	8,756	8,805
Mineral fuels —						
Coal, coke and briquettes	5,814	5,588	5,932	6,401	6,923	7,226
Other mineral fuels	1,737	1,464	2,068	2,615	2,884	3,156
Metals —						
Gold	2,577	3,055	3,764	4,394	5,300	5,014
Other metals	4,096	4,294	4,650	5,140	5,700	6,163
Machinery	1,877	1,925	2,468	3,200	3,667	4,529
Transport equipment	1,116	997	1,178	1,885	1,548	1,669
Other manufactures	3,053	3,347	4,061	4,384	5,485	6,065
Other non-rural (a)	1,459	1,381	1,499	1,302	1,383	1,370
<i>Total non-rural</i>	<i>29,149</i>	<i>29,674</i>	<i>33,220</i>	<i>38,050</i>	<i>41,646</i>	<i>43,997</i>
Total exports fob	45,908	45,599	48,564	54,489	59,804	62,957
Imports fob (b) —						
<i>Consumption goods fob (c) —</i>						
Food and beverages, mainly for consumption	-1,458	-1,757	-1,796	-1,895	-1,924	-2,010
Household electrical items	-943	-1,182	-1,184	-1,158	-1,289	-1,302
Non-industrial transport equipment	-1,400	-2,497	-2,477	-2,347	-2,435	-2,608
Textiles, clothing and footwear	-1,218	-1,464	-1,551	-1,646	-1,740	-1,964
Toys, books and leisure goods	-1,398	-1,581	-1,695	-1,682	-1,913	-2,024
Consumption goods nes	-2,615	-3,365	-3,475	-3,317	-3,565	-3,830
<i>Total consumption goods</i>	<i>-9,032</i>	<i>-11,846</i>	<i>-12,178</i>	<i>-12,045</i>	<i>-12,866</i>	<i>-13,738</i>
<i>Capital goods fob (c) —</i>						
Machinery and industrial equipment	-3,927	-4,706	-5,248	-4,242	-3,983	-4,442
ADP equipment	-1,240	-1,908	-1,997	-2,166	-2,553	-3,287
Telecommunications equipment	-598	-702	-750	-869	-971	-1,150
Civil aircraft	-325	-1,236	-1,589	-1,853	-1,588	-704
Industrial transport equipment nes	-978	-1,645	-1,714	-1,577	-1,128	-1,396
Capital goods nes	-1,317	-1,600	-1,779	-1,566	-1,686	-1,665
<i>Total capital goods</i>	<i>-8,385</i>	<i>-11,797</i>	<i>-13,077</i>	<i>-12,273</i>	<i>-11,909</i>	<i>-12,644</i>
<i>Intermediate and other goods fob (c) —</i>						
Food and beverages, mainly for industry	-369	-427	-435	-408	-392	-444
Primary industrial supplies nes	-675	-726	-689	-583	-638	-675
Fuels and lubricants	-1,934	-2,361	-2,338	-2,400	-2,638	-3,244
Parts for transport equipment	-2,415	-3,020	-3,275	-3,010	-2,799	-3,157
Parts for ADP equipment	-594	-875	-1,073	-1,279	-1,704	-2,019
Other parts for capital goods	-2,929	-3,391	-3,717	-3,289	-3,352	-3,620
Organic and inorganic chemicals (a)	-1,625	-1,769	-1,828	-1,733	-1,899	-2,168
Paper and paperboard	-1,296	-1,403	-1,267	-1,165	-1,352	-1,435
Textile yarn and fabrics	-1,530	-1,662	-1,588	-1,412	-1,605	-1,715
Iron and steel	-897	-1,080	-1,033	-919	-845	-972
Plastics	-867	-1,183	-1,122	-1,156	-1,223	-1,330
Non-monetary gold	-61	-149	-278	-646	-1,106	-1,012
Processed industrial supplies nes	-4,907	-6,119	-6,224	-5,715	-6,106	-6,691
Other goods (a)	-1,491	-1,105	-870	-445	-248	-202
<i>Total intermediate and other goods</i>	<i>-21,590</i>	<i>-25,270</i>	<i>-25,737</i>	<i>-24,160</i>	<i>-25,907</i>	<i>-28,684</i>
Total imports fob	-39,007	-48,913	-50,992	-48,478	-50,682	-55,066
Balance on merchandise trade	6,901	-3,314	-2,428	6,011	9,122	7,891

(a) From 1990-91 entries for categories are not strictly comparable with entries for earlier periods, due to changed confidentiality embargo procedures applied in the compilation of certain merchandise trade statistics. (b) From 1990-91 changed arrangements applied to the classification of government imports. As a result, categories are not strictly comparable with those for earlier periods. (c) Definitions of the component series are given in the ABS Information Paper, *Change to Commodity Classification of Merchandise Imports in Balance of Payments Publications* (ABS Catalogue No. 5344.0).

TABLE 9. MERCHANDISE (BALANCE OF PAYMENTS BASIS) — IMPLICIT PRICE DEFLATORS(1989-90=100.0)

	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92	1992-93
Exports fob —						
<i>Rural exports fob —</i>						
Meat & meat preparations	91.6	93.1	100.0	97.4	97.8	99.6
Cereal grains & cereal preparations	68.7	91.9	100.0	70.3	86.7	95.1
Sugar, sugar preparations & honey	69.1	84.1	100.0	92.1	80.9	87.3
Wool and sheepskins	105.1	116.8	100.0	72.1	66.2	64.7
Other rural	97.5	97.1	100.0	97.8	100.2	105.0
<i>Total rural</i>	<i>91.5</i>	<i>100.9</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>85.3</i>	<i>85.9</i>	<i>90.1</i>
<i>Non-rural exports fob —</i>						
Metal ores & minerals	73.9	87.7	100.0	98.0	90.7	90.2
Mineral fuels —						
Coal, coke and briquettes	83.7	86.0	100.0	101.2	100.4	105.5
Other mineral fuels	102.8	85.9	100.0	137.5	118.0	124.0
Metals —						
Gold	120.6	98.9	100.0	94.1	86.9	91.3
Other metals	94.3	108.7	100.0	92.2	82.5	84.5
Machinery	97.8	99.6	100.0	97.6	94.7	95.9
Transport equipment	91.6	91.5	100.0	101.2	106.9	121.2
Other manufactures	98.5	98.6	100.0	99.3	96.0	99.4
Other non-rural	82.8	90.9	100.0	95.5	92.6	93.7
<i>Total non-rural</i>	<i>89.8</i>	<i>93.8</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.2</i>	<i>94.3</i>	<i>97.6</i>
Total exports fob	90.4	96.3	100.0	95.7	91.8	95.3
Imports fob —						
<i>Consumption goods fob —</i>						
Food and beverages, mainly for consumption	99.7	94.8	100.0	101.5	105.4	112.5
Household electrical items	103.7	99.1	100.0	95.3	97.5	106.1
Non-industrial transport equipment	111.1	101.1	100.0	105.1	114.0	133.4
Textiles, clothing and footwear	103.8	95.2	100.0	98.6	103.4	110.9
Toys, books and leisure goods	94.3	92.5	100.0	103.5	105.3	110.6
Consumption goods nes	107.5	96.5	100.0	104.0	106.4	114.6
<i>Total consumption goods</i>	<i>103.9</i>	<i>96.8</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>102.2</i>	<i>106.2</i>	<i>115.9</i>
<i>Capital goods fob —</i>						
Machinery and industrial equipment	107.1	96.3	100.0	105.8	108.5	122.6
ADP equipment	121.6	102.7	100.0	86.8	75.0	70.6
Telecommunications equipment	106.0	98.4	100.0	95.7	97.7	106.4
Civil aircraft	97.8	88.8	100.0	101.7	106.1	117.6
Industrial transport equipment nes	102.6	101.7	100.0	101.8	109.9	131.7
Capital goods nes	107.4	99.4	100.0	103.9	106.0	120.1
<i>Total capital goods</i>	<i>108.3</i>	<i>97.8</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.4</i>	<i>99.9</i>	<i>108.0</i>
<i>Intermediate and other goods fob —</i>						
Food and beverages, mainly for industry	134.7	118.3	100.0	95.6	99.0	98.2
Primary industrial supplies nes	99.9	97.4	100.0	95.4	91.8	100.3
Fuels and lubricants	100.4	80.7	100.0	124.0	102.9	111.7
Parts for transport equipment	101.3	94.0	100.0	100.6	105.1	116.4
Parts for ADP equipment	121.0	102.7	100.0	86.7	75.0	70.5
Other parts for capital goods	103.7	94.8	100.0	104.2	106.1	116.9
Organic and inorganic chemicals	99.6	103.9	100.0	96.7	95.0	94.8
Paper and paperboard	90.4	91.2	100.0	98.0	95.8	96.2
Textile yarn and fabrics	107.0	100.4	100.0	107.4	104.7	102.8
Iron and steel	92.4	99.6	100.0	96.5	97.3	97.3
Plastics	106.8	98.0	100.0	89.6	88.8	95.6
Non-monetary gold	126.2	100.7	100.0	96.6	93.5	100.7
Processed industrial supplies nes	98.5	93.1	100.0	101.8	99.2	106.6
Other goods	101.5	96.4	100.0	98.7	98.0	103.0
<i>Total intermediate and other goods</i>	<i>101.5</i>	<i>95.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>101.9</i>	<i>98.4</i>	<i>104.1</i>
Total imports fob	103.5	96.1	100.0	101.6	100.7	107.9

TABLE 10. MERCHANDISE — COMPARISON WITH FOREIGN TRADE STATISTICS

	(\$ million)					
	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92	1992-93
Exports —						
Foreign trade statistics	41,306	44,009	49,079	52,398	55,027	60,793
Adjustments —						
Coverage	63	-129	40	-49	-227	-782
Timing	146	14	-555	-194	74	11
Merchandise exports (balance of payments basis)	41,515	43,894	48,564	52,155	54,874	60,022
Imports —						
Foreign trade statistics	40,597	47,040	51,333	48,912	50,984	59,575
Adjustments —						
Coverage	-134	-10	-90	75	75	157
Timing	-51	—	-262	286	28	-281
Other	-26	-18	11	-29	-32	-24
Merchandise imports (balance of payments basis) (a)	40,386	47,012	50,992	49,244	51,055	59,427

(a) These entries carry the opposite sign to corresponding entries in Tables 1,2,4,6,7,8 and 27.

TABLE 11. SERVICES CREDITS

	(\$ million)					
	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92	1992-93
Shipment —						
Freight on exports	811	858	905	1,017	1,100	1,229
Insurance on exports	9	11	12	12	12	12
Total	820	869	917	1,029	1,112	1,241
Other transportation —						
Passenger services	1,348	1,422	1,363	1,594	1,782	2,141
Port services etc	1,696	1,756	2,039	2,217	2,287	2,473
Total	3,044	3,178	3,402	3,811	4,069	4,614
Travel —						
Students' expenditure	457	661	878	960	1,115	1,322
Other	3,320	3,916	3,761	4,391	4,824	5,085
Total	3,777	4,577	4,639	5,351	5,939	6,407
Other services —						
Official	200	249	270	299	246	262
Non-official —						
Expenditure of foreign governments	139	148	163	175	193	192
Expenditure of foreign government employees	61	64	69	75	76	72
Expenditure of resident entity employees	145	221	340	357	258	249
Financial services	185	191	191	249	297	262
Insurance services nec	80	88	110	201	121	115
Miscellaneous services	1,761	2,010	2,364	2,598	2,890	3,071
Total	2,371	2,722	3,237	3,655	3,835	3,961
Total other services	2,571	2,971	3,507	3,954	4,081	4,223
Total services credits	10,212	11,595	12,465	14,145	15,201	16,485

TABLE 12. SERVICES DEBITS
(\$ million)

	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92	1992-93
<i>Shipment —</i>						
Freight on imports	-2,899	-3,226	-3,419	-3,164	-3,233	-3,748
Insurance on imports	-24	-24	-24	-24	-24	-24
<i>Total</i>	-2,923	-3,250	-3,443	-3,188	-3,257	-3,772
<i>Other transportation —</i>						
Passenger services	-1,547	-1,849	-2,223	-2,292	-2,464	-2,515
Port services etc	-1,438	-1,618	-1,835	-1,864	-1,968	-2,122
<i>Total</i>	-2,985	-3,467	-4,058	-4,156	-4,432	-4,637
<i>Travel —</i>						
Students' expenditure	-129	-191	-276	-291	-320	-332
Other	-3,620	-4,172	-4,888	-4,962	-4,828	-5,220
<i>Total</i>	-3,749	-4,363	-5,164	-5,253	-5,148	-5,552
<i>Other services —</i>						
<i>Official —</i>						
Defence services	-86	-83	-108	-90	-106	-117
Financial services	-4	-3	-5	-4	-8	-2
Miscellaneous services	-221	-221	-272	-353	-273	-310
<i>Total</i>	-311	-307	-385	-447	-387	-429
<i>Non-official —</i>						
Expenditure of Aust government employees	-113	-102	-115	-123	-128	-151
Expenditure of non-resident entity employees	-122	-184	-332	-387	-408	-445
Financial services	-163	-193	-137	-241	-193	-151
Insurance services nec	-243	-262	-245	-258	-375	-571
Miscellaneous services	-2,254	-2,409	-3,046	-3,066	-3,116	-3,191
<i>Total</i>	-2,895	-3,150	-3,875	-4,075	-4,220	-4,509
<i>Total other services</i>	-3,206	-3,457	-4,260	-4,522	-4,607	-4,938
Total services debits	-12,863	-14,537	-16,925	-17,119	-17,444	-18,899

TABLE 13. TRAVEL SERVICES — STUDENTS' EXPENDITURE
(\$ million)

	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92	1992-93
<i>Credits (a) —</i>						
<i>Education services —</i>						
Sponsored students	16	23	23	47	68	64
Subsidised students	142	160	104	78	47	23
Full fee students	79	176	370	392	476	609
<i>Total</i>	237	359	498	517	591	696
<i>Other goods and services —</i>						
Sponsored students	18	32	31	64	94	89
Subsidised students	92	93	89	59	29	15
Full fee students	110	177	260	319	401	523
<i>Total</i>	220	302	380	443	523	626
<i>Total —</i>						
Short term (b)	136	200	246	181	135	114
Long term (b)	321	461	632	779	979	1,208
<i>Total</i>	457	661	878	960	1,115	1,322
<i>Debits (c) —</i>						
Short term (b)	-86	-139	-211	-208	-228	-240
Long term (b)	-43	-52	-65	-83	-92	-92
<i>Total</i>	-129	-191	-276	-291	-320	-332
Net students' expenditure	328	470	602	669	795	990

(a) Acquisition of goods and services by foreign students from Australian residents. (b) Short term students are those studying in the host country for less than one year. Conversely, long term students are those studying in the host country for one year or more. (c) Acquisition of goods and services by Australian students from non-residents.

TABLE 14. SERVICES — AT CURRENT AND AVERAGE 1989-90 PRICES, AND IMPLICIT PRICE DEFLATORS
(\$ million)

	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92	1992-93
At current prices						
Credits —						
Shipment	820	869	917	1,029	1,112	1,241
Other transportation	3,044	3,178	3,402	3,811	4,069	4,614
Travel	3,777	4,577	4,639	5,351	5,939	6,407
Other services	2,571	2,971	3,507	3,954	4,081	4,223
<i>Total</i>	<i>10,212</i>	<i>11,595</i>	<i>12,465</i>	<i>14,145</i>	<i>15,201</i>	<i>16,485</i>
At average 1989-90 prices						
Shipment	851	862	917	997	1,079	1,177
Other transportation	2,974	3,282	3,402	3,552	3,771	4,331
Travel	4,347	4,907	4,639	5,084	5,600	5,904
Other services	2,889	3,143	3,507	3,780	3,788	3,868
<i>Total</i>	<i>11,061</i>	<i>12,194</i>	<i>12,465</i>	<i>13,413</i>	<i>14,238</i>	<i>15,280</i>
Implicit price deflators						
Shipment	96.4	100.8	100.0	103.2	103.1	105.4
Other transportation	102.4	96.8	100.0	107.3	107.9	106.5
Travel	86.9	93.3	100.0	105.3	106.1	108.5
Other services	89.0	94.5	100.0	104.6	107.7	109.2
<i>Total</i>	<i>92.3</i>	<i>95.1</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>105.5</i>	<i>106.8</i>	<i>107.9</i>
At current prices						
Debits —						
Shipment	-2,923	-3,250	-3,443	-3,188	-3,257	-3,772
Other transportation	-2,985	-3,467	-4,058	-4,156	-4,432	-4,637
Travel	-3,749	-4,363	-5,164	-5,253	-5,148	-5,552
Other services	-3,206	-3,457	-4,260	-4,522	-4,607	-4,938
<i>Total</i>	<i>-12,863</i>	<i>-14,537</i>	<i>-16,925</i>	<i>-17,119</i>	<i>-17,444</i>	<i>-18,899</i>
At average 1989-90 prices						
Shipment	-2,662	-3,266	-3,443	-3,182	-3,242	-3,493
Other transportation	-3,351	-3,743	-4,058	-3,846	-4,241	-4,550
Travel	-3,807	-4,789	-5,164	-4,821	-4,558	-4,384
Other services	-3,220	-3,774	-4,260	-4,143	-4,056	-3,885
<i>Total</i>	<i>-13,040</i>	<i>-15,572</i>	<i>-16,925</i>	<i>-15,992</i>	<i>-16,097</i>	<i>-16,312</i>
Implicit price deflators						
Shipment	109.8	99.5	100.0	100.2	100.5	108.0
Other transportation	89.1	92.6	100.0	108.1	104.5	101.9
Travel	98.5	91.1	100.0	109.0	112.9	126.6
Other services	99.6	91.6	100.0	109.1	113.6	127.1
<i>Total</i>	<i>98.6</i>	<i>93.4</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>107.0</i>	<i>108.4</i>	<i>115.9</i>

TABLE 15. INCOME CREDITS
(\$ million)

	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92	1992-93
Property income —						
<i>Investment income —</i>						
<i>Official —</i>						
General government	46	59	104	105	16	3
Reserve Bank (a)	706	998	1,260	1,574	1,654	1,465
<i>Total official</i>	752	1,057	1,364	1,679	1,670	1,468
<i>Non-official —</i>						
<i>Direct investment income —</i>						
Reinvested earnings	2,163	2,166	1,364	204	555	1,930
Distributed earnings —						
Remitted profits	78	60	47	65	28	17
Dividends	103	63	192	260	222	384
Interest	-51	-123	-21	-99	63	-78
<i>Total</i>	130	—	218	226	313	323
<i>Total direct investment income</i>	2,293	2,166	1,582	430	868	2,253
<i>Portfolio and other investment income —</i>						
Dividends	134	251	332	284	355	314
Interest	454	437	650	775	652	718
<i>Total portfolio and other investment income</i>	588	688	982	1,059	1,007	1,032
<i>Total non-official</i>	2,881	2,854	2,564	1,489	1,875	3,285
<i>Total investment income</i>	3,633	3,911	3,928	3,168	3,545	4,753
<i>Other property income</i>	238	208	214	202	240	306
Total property income	3,871	4,119	4,142	3,370	3,785	5,059
Labour and other income —						
<i>Labour income —</i>						
Earnings in Australia	49	55	55	65	64	69
Earnings abroad	122	184	332	387	408	445
<i>Total</i>	171	239	387	452	472	514
<i>Insurance income</i>	—	—	150	150	—	—
Total labour and other income	171	239	537	602	472	514
Total income credits	4,042	4,358	4,679	3,972	4,257	5,573

(a) Also includes interest/remuneration received from the IMF on behalf of the Commonwealth Government.

TABLE 16. INCOME DEBITS
(\$ million)

	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92	1992-93
Property income —						
<i>Investment income —</i>						
<i>Official —</i>						
General government —						
Interest on borrowing domiciled abroad	-1,755	-1,521	-1,895	-1,916	-2,015	-2,024
Interest on borrowing domiciled in Australia	-1,186	-1,619	-2,149	-1,888	-1,890	-1,513
Total	-2,941	-3,140	-4,044	-3,804	-3,905	-3,537
Reserve Bank (a)	-22	-18	-34	-39	-35	-39
<i>Total official</i>	-2,963	-3,158	-4,078	-3,843	-3,940	-3,576
<i>Non-official —</i>						
<i>Direct investment income —</i>						
Reinvested earnings	-2,428	-2,132	-1,126	-676	-752	-2,318
Distributed earnings —						
Remitted profits	-227	-556	-680	-1,314	-1,378	-1,617
Dividends	-938	-1,452	-2,156	-2,124	-1,649	-1,514
Interest	-674	-1,188	-1,435	-1,374	-1,107	-1,148
Total	-1,839	-3,196	-4,271	-4,812	-4,134	-4,279
Total direct investment income	-4,267	-5,328	-5,397	-5,488	-4,886	-6,597
<i>Portfolio and other investment income —</i>						
Dividends	-628	-1,139	-1,277	-1,080	-963	-1,022
Interest —						
Public sector	-1,637	-1,929	-2,796	-3,146	-2,669	-1,762
Private sector	-3,606	-4,850	-6,511	-6,690	-5,737	-4,986
Total	-5,243	-6,779	-9,307	-9,836	-8,406	-6,748
Total portfolio and other investment income	-5,871	-7,918	-10,584	-10,916	-9,369	-7,770
<i>Total non-official</i>	-10,138	-13,246	-15,981	-16,404	-14,255	-14,367
<i>Total investment income</i>	-13,101	-16,404	-20,059	-20,247	-18,195	-17,943
<i>Other property income —</i>						
Cinema and TV film royalties	-350	-351	-406	-424	-416	-407
Other	-898	-945	-1,082	-1,038	-1,108	-1,157
Total	-1,248	-1,296	-1,488	-1,462	-1,524	-1,564
Total property income	-14,349	-17,700	-21,547	-21,709	-19,719	-19,507
Labour and other income —						
<i>Official</i>	-65	-58	-66	-72	-68	-62
<i>Non-official —</i>						
Labour income	-145	-221	-340	-357	-258	-249
Insurance income	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Total non-official</i>	-145	-221	-340	-357	-258	-249
Total labour and other income	-210	-279	-406	-429	-326	-311
Total income debits	-14,559	-17,979	-21,953	-22,138	-20,045	-19,818

(a) Also includes interest /charges paid to the IMF on behalf of the Commonwealth Government.

TABLE 17. UNREQUITED TRANSFERS
(\$ million)

	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92	1992-93
Credits —						
<i>Official</i>	819	897	1,108	1,122	904	850
<i>Non-official —</i>						
Migrants' transfers	2,074	2,580	2,663	2,802	2,878	1,463
Miscellaneous transfers	652	733	747	787	802	806
<i>Total</i>	2,726	3,313	3,410	3,589	3,680	2,269
Total unrequited transfers credits	3,545	4,210	4,518	4,711	4,584	3,119
Debits —						
<i>Official —</i>						
Foreign aid —						
Papua New Guinea aid	-323	-328	-361	-374	-351	-342
Other foreign aid	-561	-620	-694	-652	-683	-749
Total	-884	-948	-1,055	-1,026	-1,034	-1,091
Pensions	-139	-148	-175	-201	-210	-224
Miscellaneous transfers	-75	-61	-67	-57	-83	-75
<i>Total official</i>	-1,098	-1,157	-1,297	-1,284	-1,327	-1,390
<i>Non-official —</i>						
Migrants' transfers	-319	-349	-408	-453	-477	-460
Withholding taxes	-27	-30	-28	-46	-37	-37
Miscellaneous transfers	-436	-466	-456	-500	-502	-505
<i>Total non-official</i>	-782	-845	-892	-999	-1,016	-1,002
Total unrequited transfers debits	-1,880	-2,002	-2,189	-2,283	-2,343	-2,392
Net unrequited transfers	1,665	2,208	2,329	2,428	2,241	727

TABLE 18. GENERAL GOVERNMENT — FOREIGN INVESTMENT IN AUSTRALIA
(\$ million)

	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92	1992-93
Levels at end of financial year —						
<i>Borrowing —</i>						
Domiciled abroad —						
Commonwealth Government	12,670	9,328	6,953	4,957	5,038	6,342
State government	7,004	9,961	12,623	15,707	19,939	31,569
Total	19,674	19,289	19,576	20,664	24,977	37,911
Domiciled in Australia	13,424	17,517	19,811	20,269	18,721	19,774
Total borrowing	33,097	36,806	39,388	40,933	43,698	57,685
Other	239	80	-23	-28	-57	-92
Total	33,336	36,886	39,365	40,905	43,641	57,593
Changes in levels —						
<i>Borrowing —</i>						
Domiciled abroad —						
Commonwealth Government	-2,394	-3,342	-2,375	-1,996	81	1,304
State government	1,401	2,957	2,663	3,084	4,232	11,630
Total	-993	-385	288	1,087	4,313	12,934
Domiciled in Australia	3,767	4,093	2,294	458	-1,548	1,053
Total borrowing	2,774	3,709	2,582	1,545	2,765	13,987
Other	-93	-159	-103	-5	-29	-35
Total	2,681	3,549	2,479	1,540	2,736	13,952
Of which —						
Changes included in the balance of payments						
(capital transactions) —						
<i>Borrowing —</i>						
Domiciled abroad —						
Commonwealth Government	-1,622	-3,177	-2,660	-2,064	-602	381
State government	1,656	2,825	2,737	2,708	4,155	10,135
Total	34	-352	77	644	3,552	10,516
Domiciled in Australia	3,901	3,521	3,671	98	-1,457	1,105
Total borrowing	3,935	3,169	3,748	742	2,095	11,621
Other	-71	-188	-74	-5	-29	-35
Total	3,864	2,981	3,674	737	2,066	11,587
Other changes in levels —						
<i>Borrowing —</i>						
Domiciled abroad —						
Commonwealth Government	-772	-165	285	67	684	923
State government	-255	132	-75	376	77	1,495
Total	-1,027	-33	211	443	761	2,418
Domiciled in Australia	-134	572	-1,377	361	-91	-52
Total borrowing	-1,161	539	-1,167	803	670	2,366
Other	-22	29	-29	—	—	—
Total	-1,183	568	-1,195	803	670	2,366

TABLE 19. GENERAL GOVERNMENT — AUSTRALIAN INVESTMENT ABROAD
(\$ million)

	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92	1992-93
Levels at end of financial year —						
Lending	448	677	770	452	175	140
Accounts receivable/prepayments made	1,381	1,106	934	1,316	1,247	1,122
Other	1,247	1,253	1,193	1,755	1,366	1,494
Total	3,076	3,036	3,062	3,523	2,788	2,756
Changes in levels —						
Lending	84	230	93	-318	-277	-35
Accounts receivable/prepayments made	45	-275	-172	382	-69	-125
Other	6	6	-60	582	-389	128
Total	135	-39	-139	646	-735	-32
Of which —						
Changes included in balance of payments						
(capital transactions) (a) —						
Lending	67	239	103	-363	-198	-47
Accounts receivable/prepayments made	45	-275	-172	382	-69	-125
Other	-574	6	100	401	-389	128
Total	-462	-30	31	420	-656	-44
Other changes in levels —						
Lending	16	-9	-10	45	-79	13
Accounts receivable/prepayments made	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other	580	—	-160	181	—	—
Total	596	-9	-170	226	-79	13

(a) These entries carry the opposite sign to corresponding entries in Tables 1.3.5 and 28.

TABLE 20. RESERVE BANK — FOREIGN INVESTMENT IN AUSTRALIA
(\$ million)

	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92	1992-93
Levels at end of financial year —						
Use of IMF credit	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other	31	31	55	33	54	93
Total	31	31	55	33	54	93
Changes in levels —						
Use of IMF credit	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other	-8	—	24	-22	21	39
Total	-8	—	24	-22	21	39
Of which —						
Changes included in the balance of payments (capital transactions) —						
Use of IMF credit	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other	-8	—	24	-22	21	39
Total	-8	—	24	-22	21	39
Other changes in levels —						
Use of IMF credit	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	—	—	—	—	—	—

TABLE 21. RESERVE BANK — AUSTRALIAN INVESTMENT ABROAD
(\$ million)

	At 30 June -					
	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993
Levels at end of financial year —						
<i>Official reserve assets —</i>						
Monetary gold	4,509	3,861	3,541	3,804	3,639	4,448
SDRs	420	398	379	360	375	133
Reserve position in IMF	312	414	411	421	471	855
Foreign exchange	14,941	15,737	17,540	19,462	17,755	15,387
Total	20,182	20,410	21,871	24,047	22,240	20,823
<i>Other</i>	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	20,182	20,410	21,871	24,047	22,240	20,823
Changes in levels —						
<i>Official reserve assets —</i>						
Monetary gold	-442	-648	-320	263	-165	809
SDRs	-51	-22	-19	-19	15	-242
Reserve position in IMF	-23	102	-3	10	50	384
Foreign exchange	3,104	796	1,803	1,922	-1,707	-2,368
Total	2,588	228	1,461	2,176	-1,807	-1,417
<i>Other</i>	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	2,588	228	1,461	2,176	-1,807	-1,417
Of which —						
Changes included in the balance of payments (capital transactions) (a) —						
<i>Official reserve assets —</i>						
Monetary gold	—	—	—	—	—	-19
SDRs	-20	-18	-29	-15	-24	-266
Reserve position in IMF	—	96	-9	—	—	337
Foreign exchange	3,944	795	2,194	1,461	-3,905	-4,002
Total	3,924	873	2,156	1,446	-3,929	-3,950
<i>Other</i>	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	3,924	873	2,156	1,446	-3,929	-3,950
Other changes in levels —						
<i>Official reserve assets —</i>						
Monetary gold	-442	-648	-320	263	-165	828
SDRs	-31	-4	10	-4	39	24
Reserve position in IMF	-23	6	6	10	50	47
Foreign exchange	-840	1	-391	461	2,198	1,634
Total	-1,336	-645	-695	730	2,122	2,533
<i>Other</i>	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	-1,336	-645	-695	730	2,122	2,533

(a) These entries carry the opposite sign to corresponding entries in Tables 1, 3, 5 and 28.

TABLE 22. NON-OFFICIAL SECTOR — FOREIGN INVESTMENT IN AUSTRALIA
(\$ million)

	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92	1992-93
Levels at end of financial year —						
<i>Direct investment —</i>						
Corporate equities	42,396	53,183	58,977	61,436	63,758	67,648
Net equity in branches	7,236	9,961	11,737	14,087	14,308	16,529
Borrowing	13,000	16,847	19,116	20,555	23,835	23,771
Other	3,415	3,529	3,192	3,038	3,096	3,309
<i>Total direct investment</i>	<i>66,048</i>	<i>83,519</i>	<i>93,023</i>	<i>99,115</i>	<i>104,997</i>	<i>111,257</i>
<i>Portfolio and other investment —</i>						
Corporate equities	20,585	22,268	23,564	26,770	29,582	35,375
Borrowing —						
Public sector	23,736	28,207	32,790	33,739	33,821	34,970
Private sector	53,257	65,249	71,788	83,565	88,999	90,964
Total	76,993	93,455	104,578	117,304	122,821	125,934
Accounts payable/prepayments received —						
Public sector	284	158	157	147	172	171
Private sector	3,516	3,638	3,099	3,274	3,534	3,372
Total	3,800	3,796	3,255	3,421	3,706	3,543
<i>Total portfolio and other investment</i>	<i>101,377</i>	<i>119,519</i>	<i>131,398</i>	<i>147,494</i>	<i>156,109</i>	<i>164,851</i>
Total	167,425	203,038	224,421	246,610	261,106	276,108
Changes in levels —						
<i>Direct investment —</i>						
Corporate equities	7,097	10,787	5,794	2,459	2,322	3,890
Net equity in branches	1,499	2,725	1,776	2,350	221	2,221
Borrowing	2,367	3,847	2,269	1,439	3,280	-64
Other	152	114	-337	-154	58	213
<i>Total direct investment</i>	<i>11,115</i>	<i>17,471</i>	<i>9,504</i>	<i>6,092</i>	<i>5,882</i>	<i>6,260</i>
<i>Portfolio and other investment —</i>						
Corporate equities	-3,669	1,683	1,296	3,206	2,812	5,793
Borrowing —						
Public sector	4,147	4,471	4,583	949	82	1,149
Private sector	6,424	11,992	6,539	11,777	5,434	1,965
Total	10,571	16,462	11,123	12,726	5,517	3,113
Accounts payable/prepayments received —						
Public sector	-378	126	-1	-10	25	-1
Private sector	332	122	-539	175	260	-162
Total	-46	-4	-541	166	285	-163
<i>Total portfolio and other investment</i>	<i>6,856</i>	<i>18,142</i>	<i>11,879</i>	<i>16,096</i>	<i>8,615</i>	<i>8,742</i>
Total	17,971	35,613	21,383	22,189	14,496	15,002
Of which —						
Changes included in the balance of payments						
(capital transactions) —						
<i>Direct investment —</i>						
Reinvestment of earnings (a)	2,428	2,131	1,127	673	750	2,318
Corporate equities (b)	1,828	3,893	2,436	5,132	2,871	3,704
Net equity in branches (b)	1,471	2,222	1,562	1,549	712	422
Borrowing	2,344	3,483	2,531	1,500	2,349	-1,511
Other	42	360	-295	-309	202	123
<i>Total direct investment</i>	<i>8,113</i>	<i>12,090</i>	<i>7,361</i>	<i>8,545</i>	<i>6,885</i>	<i>5,056</i>
<i>Portfolio and other investment —</i>						
Corporate equities	2,337	2,131	1,573	3,217	1,077	4,080
Borrowing —						
Public sector	4,039	4,477	5,021	-325	-907	-163
Private sector	9,751	10,515	7,563	10,237	5,870	-2,099
Total	13,790	14,991	12,584	9,912	4,962	-2,262
Accounts payable/prepayments received —						
Public sector	-582	10	-13	-22	26	-2
Private sector	662	599	-464	-149	418	216
Total	80	609	-477	-171	444	214
<i>Total portfolio and other investment</i>	<i>16,207</i>	<i>17,731</i>	<i>13,679</i>	<i>12,958</i>	<i>6,483</i>	<i>2,030</i>
Total	24,318	29,821	21,041	21,504	13,368	7,086
Other changes in levels —						
<i>Direct investment —</i>						
Corporate equities	2,841	4,762	2,231	-3,347	-1,299	-2,132
Net equity in branches	28	502	214	800	-491	1,799
Borrowing	23	363	-262	-62	931	1,447
Other	110	-246	-41	155	-144	90
<i>Total direct investment</i>	<i>3,002</i>	<i>5,382</i>	<i>2,143</i>	<i>-2,453</i>	<i>-1,003</i>	<i>1,204</i>
<i>Portfolio and other investment —</i>						
Corporate equities	-6,006	-448	-276	-11	1,735	1,712
Borrowing —						
Public sector	108	-6	-437	1,274	990	1,312
Private sector	-3,327	1,477	-1,024	1,539	-435	4,064
Total	-3,218	1,471	-1,461	2,814	555	5,376
Accounts payable/prepayments received —						
Public sector	204	-136	12	12	-1	—
Private sector	-330	-476	-75	324	-158	-378
Total	-126	-612	-64	337	-159	-377
<i>Total portfolio and other investment</i>	<i>-9,351</i>	<i>411</i>	<i>-1,801</i>	<i>3,139</i>	<i>2,131</i>	<i>6,713</i>
Total	-6,348	5,792	342	686	1,128	7,917

(a) Reinvestment of earnings contributes to changes in levels of both corporate equities and net equity in branches. (b) See footnote (a).

TABLE 23. NON-OFFICIAL SECTOR — AUSTRALIAN INVESTMENT ABROAD
(\$ million)

	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92	1992-93
Levels at end of financial year —						
<i>Direct investment —</i>						
Corporate equities	30,365	35,636	40,360	36,836	41,633	44,757
Net equity in branches	1,228	1,491	1,583	1,624	1,779	1,992
Lending	-944	-56	-2,658	-286	69	-2,032
Other	267	230	209	247	85	422
<i>Total direct investment</i>	<i>30,915</i>	<i>37,302</i>	<i>39,495</i>	<i>38,422</i>	<i>43,565</i>	<i>45,140</i>
<i>Portfolio and other investment —</i>						
Corporate equities	9,801	15,592	14,302	14,889	18,379	19,919
Lending —						
Banks	2,938	3,674	3,931	3,382	4,476	4,881
Non-bank enterprises	4,249	4,742	6,991	8,757	9,948	14,883
Total	7,187	8,416	10,922	12,139	14,424	19,764
Accounts receivable/prepayments made —						
Public sector	1,485	2,134	2,340	1,939	937	948
Private sector	1,973	2,555	3,182	2,937	2,931	3,335
Total	3,458	4,689	5,522	4,877	3,868	4,283
<i>Total portfolio and other investment</i>	<i>20,447</i>	<i>28,698</i>	<i>30,746</i>	<i>31,904</i>	<i>36,672</i>	<i>43,966</i>
Total	51,362	65,999	70,241	70,326	80,237	89,106
Changes in levels —						
<i>Direct investment —</i>						
Corporate equities	9,037	5,271	4,724	-3,524	4,797	3,124
Net equity in branches	207	264	92	41	154	213
Lending	1,140	888	-2,602	2,372	355	-2,101
Other	-66	-37	-21	39	-163	338
<i>Total direct investment</i>	<i>10,318</i>	<i>6,387</i>	<i>2,193</i>	<i>-1,073</i>	<i>5,143</i>	<i>1,574</i>
<i>Portfolio and other investment —</i>						
Corporate equities	-2,726	5,791	-1,290	587	3,491	1,539
Lending —						
Banks	168	736	257	-549	1,094	405
Non-bank enterprises	1,613	493	2,249	1,766	1,191	4,935
Total	1,781	1,229	2,506	1,217	2,285	5,340
Accounts receivable/prepayments made —						
Public sector	-20	649	206	-400	-1,002	11
Private sector	-228	582	627	-244	-7	404
Total	-248	1,231	832	-645	-1,009	415
<i>Total portfolio and other investment</i>	<i>-1,192</i>	<i>8,251</i>	<i>2,048</i>	<i>1,158</i>	<i>4,768</i>	<i>7,294</i>
Total	9,126	14,638	4,241	85	9,911	8,869
Of which —						
Changes included in the balance of payments						
(capital transactions) (a) —						
<i>Direct investment —</i>						
Reinvestment of earnings (b)	2,163	2,166	1,365	205	555	1,930
Corporate equities (c)	7,587	2,771	3,157	-3,888	854	2,235
Net equity in branches (c)	143	261	-177	224	-162	627
Lending	198	1,389	-1,936	2,648	-205	-1,779
Other	55	37	-144	-2	-77	215
<i>Total direct investment</i>	<i>10,146</i>	<i>6,624</i>	<i>2,265</i>	<i>-813</i>	<i>965</i>	<i>3,227</i>
<i>Portfolio and other investment —</i>						
Corporate equities	-90	3,518	-2,034	1,905	2,309	-1,624
Lending —						
Banks	242	775	297	-609	957	843
Non-bank enterprises	1,898	102	2,365	1,726	296	3,417
Total	2,141	877	2,662	1,116	1,254	4,260
Accounts receivable/prepayments made —						
Public sector	29	597	271	-422	-1,011	-88
Private sector	605	270	65	163	80	36
Total	634	867	336	-259	-931	-52
<i>Total portfolio and other investment</i>	<i>2,666</i>	<i>5,262</i>	<i>963</i>	<i>2,762</i>	<i>2,632</i>	<i>2,584</i>
Total	12,812	11,886	3,228	1,949	3,597	5,811
Other changes in levels —						
<i>Direct investment —</i>						
Corporate equities	-713	334	203	159	3,388	-1,041
Net equity in branches	63	3	269	-183	317	-413
Lending	942	-501	-666	-276	560	-321
Other	-121	-74	122	41	-86	123
<i>Total direct investment</i>	<i>172</i>	<i>-237</i>	<i>-72</i>	<i>-239</i>	<i>4,179</i>	<i>-1,653</i>
<i>Portfolio and other investment —</i>						
Corporate equities	-2,636	2,274	745	-1,318	1,181	3,163
Lending —						
Banks	-74	-39	-40	60	137	-438
Non-bank enterprises	-286	391	-116	40	895	1,517
Total	-360	352	-156	101	1,031	1,080
Accounts receivable/prepayments made —						
Public sector	-49	52	-66	21	9	99
Private sector	-833	312	562	-407	-87	368
Total	-882	364	496	-386	-77	467
<i>Total portfolio and other investment</i>	<i>-3,858</i>	<i>2,990</i>	<i>1,085</i>	<i>-1,604</i>	<i>2,136</i>	<i>4,710</i>
Total	-3,686	2,752	1,013	-1,864	6,314	3,057

(a) These entries carry the opposite sign to corresponding entries in Tables 1, 3, 5 and 28. (b) Reinvestment of earnings contributes to changes in levels of both corporate equities and net equity in branches. (c) See footnote (b).

TABLE 24. NET BORROWING TRANSACTIONS OF THE OFFICIAL AND NON-OFFICIAL SECTORS

	(\$ million)					
	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92	1992-93
Official sector						
<i>Borrowing —</i>						
Domiciled abroad —						
Commonwealth Government —						
Drawings	—	—	—	—	—	1,139
Repayments	-1,622	-3,177	-2,660	-2,063	-602	-758
Total	-1,622	-3,177	-2,660	-2,063	-602	381
State government —						
Drawings	4,399	9,235	13,469	22,307	25,495	77,922
Repayments	-2,743	-6,410	-10,732	-19,599	-21,341	-67,787
Total	1,656	2,825	2,737	2,708	4,155	10,135
Total domiciled abroad	34	-352	77	644	3,552	10,516
Domiciled in Australia —						
Securities —						
Purchases by non-residents	24,685	25,112	19,583	22,935	40,888	33,363
Sales by non-residents	-20,784	-21,591	-15,912	-22,837	-42,345	-32,258
Total securities	3,901	3,522	3,671	98	-1,457	1,105
Deposits with Reserve Bank	-8	—	24	-22	21	39
Total domiciled in Australia	3,893	3,522	3,695	76	-1,436	1,144
Total borrowing — official sector	3,927	3,170	3,772	720	2,116	11,660
Non-official sector						
<i>Direct investment borrowing —</i>						
Domiciled abroad —						
Drawings	27,459	51,039	16,186	27,278	49,625	148,390
Repayments	-24,737	-47,593	-13,799	-25,626	-47,277	-149,984
Total	2,722	3,445	2,387	1,652	2,347	-1,594
Domiciled in Australia	-378	38	144	-152	2	83
Total direct investment borrowing	2,344	3,483	2,531	1,500	2,349	-1,511
<i>Other borrowing —</i>						
Domiciled abroad —						
Banks —						
Drawings	29,672	46,087	70,649	73,541	88,346	141,695
Repayments	-26,367	-37,273	-65,113	-67,486	-82,213	-140,304
Total	3,304	8,814	5,536	6,054	6,133	1,391
Non-bank enterprises —						
Drawings	76,977	115,004	129,046	137,250	136,416	148,292
Repayments	-68,589	-109,308	-123,237	-136,112	-137,423	-151,056
Total	8,388	5,697	5,809	1,137	-1,007	-2,764
Total domiciled abroad	11,692	14,510	11,345	7,192	5,126	-1,373
Domiciled in Australia —						
Banks —						
Securities	126	17	551	370	-370	-357
Deposits	1,335	359	844	1,646	204	-62
Total	1,462	376	1,395	2,015	-166	-418
Non-bank enterprises	636	105	-156	705	2	-471
Total domiciled in Australia	2,098	481	1,239	2,720	-163	-889
of which —						
Public sector securities (a)	1,079	-351	-213	452	-594	-291
Total other borrowing	13,790	14,991	12,584	9,912	4,962	-2,262
Total borrowing — non-official sector (b)	16,134	18,474	15,115	11,412	7,312	-3,773
Total borrowing	20,061	21,644	18,887	12,132	9,428	7,887

(a) Excludes bank securities. (b) Corresponds to the sum of transactions in direct investment borrowing and total portfolio and other investment borrowing in Table 22.

TABLE 25. AUSTRALIA'S POSITION IN THE IMF GENERAL ACCOUNT — LEVELS
(\$ million)

	At 30 June -					
	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993
Reserve position in IMF—						
Subscriptions	2,672	2,676	2,717	2,771	3,106	4,842
Less						
Australian currency held by IMF (excluding amounts under Compensatory Financing Facility and Buffer Stock Financing Facility)	2,360	2,262	2,306	2,350	2,635	3,987
Equals						
Reserve position in IMF (a)	312	414	411	421	471	855
or						
Use of IMF credit (excluding drawings under Compensatory Financing Facility and Buffer stock Financing Facility)	—	—	—	—	—	—
Use of IMF credit—						
Use of IMF credit (excluding drawings under Compensatory Financing Facility and Buffer Stock Financing Facility)	—	—	—	—	—	—
Plus						
Drawings under Compensatory Financing Facility	—	—	—	—	—	—
Drawings under Buffer Stock Financing Facility	—	—	—	—	—	—
Equals						
Use of IMF credit (b)	—	—	—	—	—	—
Net position in IMF general account —						
Reserve position in IMF	312	414	411	421	471	855
Less						
Use of IMF credit	—	—	—	—	—	—
Equals						
Net position in IMF general account	312	414	411	421	471	855

(a) Corresponds to 'levels - reserve position in IMF' in Table 21. (b) Corresponds to 'levels - use of IMF credit' in Table 20.

TABLE 26. EXCHANGE RATES AND TRADE WEIGHTED INDEX OF VALUE OF THE AUSTRALIAN DOLLAR (a)

	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92	1992-93
Exchange rates —						
Units of foreign currency per \$A —						
<i>End of year (b)(c) —</i>						
United States dollar	0.7940	0.7553	0.7890	0.7681	0.7488	0.6722
United Kingdom pound	0.4612	0.4882	0.4536	0.4712	0.3945	0.4453
German mark	1.441	1.480	1.318	1.382	1.144	1.137
Japanese yen	105.17	108.79	120.41	106.19	94.05	71.54
Special drawing right	0.6059	0.6051	0.5967	0.5825	0.5213	0.4818
<i>Period average (d) —</i>						
United States dollar	0.7290	0.8160	0.7697	0.7853	0.7694	0.7030
United Kingdom pound	0.4167	0.4755	0.4733	0.4240	0.4381	0.4363
German mark	1.262	1.512	1.367	1.248	1.274	1.103
Japanese yen	97.58	106.95	113.27	107.60	100.97	84.22
Special drawing right	0.5448	0.6244	0.5958	0.5656	0.5580	0.4982
Trade weighted index of value of the Australian dollar (May 1970=100) —						
End of year (b) (e)	59.8	59.4	61.6	59.7	55.2	49.5
Period average (d)	54.8	61.6	60.0	58.9	58.2	52.3

(a) These exchange rates and the trade-weighted index are derived using rates provided by the Reserve Bank of Australia in respect of each trading day. (b) These exchange rates and index numbers relate to the last trading day of the reference period. (c) The rate for \$US is a representative mid-point determined by the Reserve Bank on the basis of market quotations at 4pm Eastern Australian time. Rates for other currencies are calculated by crossing the rate for the US dollar with the mid-points of closing buying and selling rates largely in Asian markets. (d) These exchange rates and index numbers are derived by averaging figures for each trading day. (e) The index is calculated at 4pm on the last trading day of the year on the basis of the representative rate for the US dollar and rates for other currencies, mainly from Asian markets.

TABLE 27. CURRENT ACCOUNT — SUMMARY — 1945-46 to 1992-93
(\$ million)

	1945-46	1946-47	1947-48	1948-49	1949-50	1950-51	1951-52
Current transactions —							
<i>Goods and services —</i>							
<i>Merchandise (a) —</i>							
Exports fob	313	546	810	1,060	1,207	1,974	1,354
Imports fob	-215	-408	-660	-817	-1,048	-1,441	-2,033
<i>Balance on merchandise trade</i>	98	138	150	243	159	533	-679
<i>Services —</i>							
<i>Credits —</i>							
Shipment	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Other transportation	40	38	43	56	66	79	89
Travel	1	3	4	7	8	9	10
Other services	201	67	53	19	21	25	28
<i>Total services credits</i>	242	108	100	82	95	113	127
<i>Debits —</i>							
Shipment	-53	-44	-58	-68	-108	-156	-250
Other transportation	—	-21	-28	-35	-49	-50	-63
Travel	-3	-9	-13	-12	-24	-24	-28
Other services	-85	-89	-43	-46	-30	-54	-62
<i>Total services debits</i>	-141	-163	-142	-161	-211	-284	-403
<i>Net services</i>	101	-55	-42	-79	-116	-171	-276
<i>Balance on goods and services</i>	199	83	108	164	43	362	-955
<i>Income —</i>							
<i>Credits —</i>							
<i>Property income —</i>							
Reinvested earnings	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Other	9	9	11	12	15	19	19
Labour and other income	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
<i>Total income credits</i>	9	9	11	12	15	19	19
<i>Debits —</i>							
<i>Property income —</i>							
Reinvested earnings	-10	-18	-15	-12	-32	-45	-48
Other	-81	-77	-86	-81	-85	-95	-97
Labour and other income	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
<i>Total income debits</i>	-91	-95	-101	-93	-117	-140	-145
<i>Net income</i>	-82	-86	-90	-81	-102	-121	-126
<i>Unrequited transfers —</i>							
Credits	9	12	19	29	41	41	42
Debits	-27	-100	-24	-50	-53	-33	-49
<i>Net unrequited transfers</i>	-18	-88	-5	-21	-12	8	-7
Balance on current account	99	-91	13	62	-71	249	-1,088

(a) Balance of payments basis. NOTE: For details of series breaks etc. see *Balance of Payments, Australia: Concepts, Sources and Methods* (5331.0), Chapters 9-12.

TABLE 27. CURRENT ACCOUNT — SUMMARY — 1945-46 to 1992-93 — *continued*
(\$ million)

	1952-53	1953-54	1954-55	1955-56	1956-57	1957-58	1958-59
Current transactions —							
<i>Goods and services —</i>							
<i>Merchandise (a) —</i>							
Exports fob	1,723	1,655	1,552	1,568	1,986	1,643	1,646
Imports fob	-1,000	-1,323	-1,642	-1,597	-1,381	-1,521	-1,554
<i>Balance on merchandise trade</i>	723	332	-90	-29	605	122	92
<i>Services —</i>							
<i>Credits —</i>							
Shipment	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Other transportation	91	96	111	120	137	145	158
Travel	10	10	12	13	20	16	18
Other services	26	26	27	33	41	36	38
<i>Total services credits</i>	127	132	150	166	198	197	214
<i>Debits —</i>							
Shipment	-128	-110	-144	-166	-176	-194	-182
Other transportation	-59	-60	-77	-84	-86	-90	-99
Travel	-37	-33	-43	-45	-44	-56	-57
Other services	-87	-74	-76	-60	-48	-63	-67
<i>Total services debits</i>	-311	-277	-340	-355	-354	-403	-405
<i>Net services</i>	-184	-145	-190	-189	-156	-206	-191
<i>Balance on goods and services</i>	539	187	-280	-218	449	-84	-99
<i>Income —</i>							
<i>Credits —</i>							
<i>Property income —</i>							
Reinvested earnings	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Other	31	38	40	44	52	72	56
Labour and other income	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
<i>Total income credits</i>	31	38	40	44	52	72	56
<i>Debits —</i>							
<i>Property income —</i>							
Reinvested earnings	-36	-61	-61	-81	-95	-87	-125
Other	-114	-136	-143	-152	-146	-172	-185
Labour and other income	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
<i>Total income debits</i>	-150	-197	-204	-233	-241	-259	-310
<i>Net income</i>	-119	-159	-164	-189	-189	-187	-254
<i>Unrequited transfers —</i>							
Credits	32	32	36	37	42	48	53
Debits	-63	-64	-69	-78	-85	-86	-86
<i>Net unrequited transfers</i>	-31	-32	-33	-41	-43	-38	-33
Balance on current account	389	-4	-477	-448	217	-309	-386

(a) Balance of payments basis. NOTE: For details of series breaks etc, see *Balance of Payments, Australia: Concepts, Sources and Methods* (5331.0), Chapters 9-12.

TABLE 27. CURRENT ACCOUNT — SUMMARY — 1945-46 to 1992-93 — *continued*
(\$ million)

	1959-60	1960-61	1961-62	1962-63	1963-64	1964-65	1965-66	1966-67
Current transactions —								
<i>Goods and services —</i>								
<i>Merchandise (a) —</i>								
Exports fob	1,898	1,884	2,165	2,158	2,764	2,605	2,655	2,954
Imports fob	-1,820	-2,060	-1,705	-2,070	-2,242	-2,743	-2,826	-2,841
<i>Balance on merchandise trade</i>	78	-176	460	88	522	-138	-171	113
<i>Services —</i>								
<i>Credits —</i>								
Shipment	8	8	9	9	13	13	15	17
Other transportation	166	191	194	213	243	268	282	303
Travel	23	31	36	35	43	54	58	70
Other services	49	51	58	68	86	101	115	128
<i>Total services credits</i>	246	281	297	325	385	436	470	518
<i>Debits —</i>								
Shipment	-212	-258	-213	-237	-259	-299	-311	-307
Other transportation	-105	-121	-119	-125	-153	-179	-198	-228
Travel	-78	-88	-87	-94	-107	-121	-130	-148
Other services	-69	-63	-64	-70	-85	-105	-123	-149
<i>Total services debits</i>	-464	-530	-483	-526	-604	-704	-762	-832
<i>Net services</i>	-218	-249	-186	-201	-219	-268	-292	-314
<i>Balance on goods and services</i>	-140	-425	274	-113	303	-406	-463	-201
<i>Income —</i>								
<i>Credits —</i>								
Property income —								
Reinvested earnings	6	7	9	9	14	19	18	13
Other	39	46	63	58	69	88	79	94
Labour and other income	3	3	3	4	5	6	10	9
<i>Total income credits</i>	48	56	75	71	88	113	107	116
<i>Debits —</i>								
Property income —								
Reinvested earnings	-136	-113	-66	-109	-139	-124	-125	-115
Other	-212	-240	-266	-290	-302	-335	-359	-402
Labour and other income	-5	-4	-5	-5	-7	-9	-11	-13
<i>Total income debits</i>	-353	-357	-337	-404	-448	-468	-495	-530
<i>Net income</i>	-305	-301	-262	-333	-360	-355	-388	-414
<i>Unrequited transfers —</i>								
Credits	66	83	96	106	138	155	165	190
Debits	-92	-105	-116	-128	-151	-174	-203	-234
<i>Net unrequited transfers</i>	-26	-22	-20	-22	-13	-19	-38	-44
Balance on current account	-471	-748	-8	-468	-70	-780	-889	-659

(a) Balance of payments basis NOTE: For details of series breaks etc., see *Balance of Payments, Australia: Concepts, Sources and Methods* (5331.0), Chapters 9-12.

TABLE 27. CURRENT ACCOUNT — SUMMARY — 1945-46 to 1992-93 — continued
(\$ million)

	1967-68	1968-69	1969-70	1970-71	1971-72	1972-73	1973-74	1974-75
Current transactions —								
<i>Goods and services —</i>								
<i>Merchandise (a) —</i>								
Exports fob	2,968	3,242	3,998	4,244	4,746	6,027	6,754	8,512
Imports fob	-3,164	-3,207	-3,561	-3,806	-3,814	-3,817	-5,767	-7,665
<i>Balance on merchandise trade</i>	-196	35	437	438	932	2,210	987	847
<i>Services —</i>								
<i>Credits —</i>								
Shipment	21	25	39	49	65	73	100	157
Other transportation	344	369	407	429	443	471	541	742
Travel	87	101	114	136	158	150	191	244
Other services	139	150	196	218	271	296	304	452
<i>Total services credits</i>	591	645	756	832	937	990	1,136	1,595
<i>Debits —</i>								
Shipment	-367	-378	-398	-413	-412	-430	-627	-786
Other transportation	-264	-292	-328	-382	-392	-391	-514	-634
Travel	-159	-169	-198	-211	-280	-342	-471	-672
Other services	-161	-209	-248	-281	-344	-412	-514	-622
<i>Total services debits</i>	-951	-1,048	-1,172	-1,287	-1,428	-1,575	-2,126	-2,714
<i>Net services</i>	-360	-403	-416	-455	-491	-585	-990	-1,119
<i>Balance on goods and services</i>	-556	-368	21	-17	441	1,625	-3	-272
<i>Income —</i>								
<i>Credits —</i>								
<i>Property income —</i>								
Reinvested earnings	20	12	18	19	30	74	99	28
Other	85	114	114	139	190	278	410	395
Labour and other income	9	10	13	13	20	24	83	170
<i>Total income credits</i>	114	136	145	171	240	376	592	593
<i>Debits —</i>								
<i>Property income —</i>								
Reinvested earnings	-228	-249	-221	-238	-224	-307	-431	-246
Other	-428	-478	-606	-620	-706	-827	-871	-1,031
Labour and other income	-9	-12	-15	-17	-18	-25	-28	-39
<i>Total income debits</i>	-665	-739	-842	-875	-948	-1,159	-1,330	-1,316
<i>Net income</i>	-551	-603	-697	-704	-708	-783	-738	-723
<i>Unrequited transfers —</i>								
Credits	216	243	283	294	354	383	376	427
Debits	-240	-252	-295	-322	-380	-471	-556	-627
<i>Net unrequited transfers</i>	-24	-9	-12	-28	-26	-88	-180	-200
Balance on current account	-1,131	-980	-688	-749	-293	754	-921	-1,195

(a) Balance of payments basis NOTE: For details of series breaks etc., see *Balance of Payments, Australia: Concepts, Sources and Methods* (5331.0), Chapters 9-12.

TABLE 27. CURRENT ACCOUNT — SUMMARY — 1945-46 to 1992-93 — continued
(\$ million)

	1975-76	1976-77	1977-78	1978-79	1979-80	1980-81	1981-82	1982-83	1983-84
Current transactions —									
<i>Goods and services —</i>									
<i>Merchandise (a) —</i>									
Exports fob	9,476	11,446	12,006	14,072	18,589	18,718	19,376	20,930	23,661
Imports fob	-7,930	-10,350	-11,149	-13,385	-15,831	-19,177	-22,389	-21,725	-23,475
<i>Balance on merchandise trade</i>	<i>1,546</i>	<i>1,096</i>	<i>857</i>	<i>687</i>	<i>2,758</i>	<i>-459</i>	<i>-3,013</i>	<i>-795</i>	<i>186</i>
<i>Services —</i>									
<i>Credits —</i>									
Shipment	138	190	241	349	392	402	372	448	464
Other transportation	850	977	1,000	1,125	1,391	1,498	1,597	1,662	1,772
Travel	326	392	450	587	838	983	1,140	1,261	1,427
Other services	427	397	539	760	783	938	1,146	1,239	1,449
<i>Total services credits</i>	<i>1,741</i>	<i>1,956</i>	<i>2,230</i>	<i>2,821</i>	<i>3,404</i>	<i>3,821</i>	<i>4,255</i>	<i>4,610</i>	<i>5,112</i>
<i>Debits —</i>									
Shipment	-810	-1,041	-1,086	-1,254	-1,533	-1,728	-1,971	-1,806	-2,030
Other transportation	-736	-870	-961	-1,140	-1,368	-1,494	-1,618	-1,755	-1,857
Travel	-886	-991	-1,099	-1,301	-1,489	-1,530	-1,757	-1,949	-2,152
Other services	-559	-682	-884	-898	-884	-1,146	-1,288	-1,827	-1,790
<i>Total services debits</i>	<i>-2,991</i>	<i>-3,584</i>	<i>-4,030</i>	<i>-4,593</i>	<i>-5,274</i>	<i>-5,898</i>	<i>-6,634</i>	<i>-7,337</i>	<i>-7,829</i>
<i>Net services</i>	<i>-1,250</i>	<i>-1,628</i>	<i>-1,800</i>	<i>-1,772</i>	<i>-1,870</i>	<i>-2,077</i>	<i>-2,379</i>	<i>-2,727</i>	<i>-2,717</i>
<i>Balance on goods and services</i>	<i>296</i>	<i>-532</i>	<i>-943</i>	<i>-1,085</i>	<i>888</i>	<i>-2,536</i>	<i>-5,392</i>	<i>-3,522</i>	<i>-2,531</i>
<i>Income —</i>									
<i>Credits —</i>									
<i>Property income —</i>									
Reinvested earnings	64	100	98	160	231	200	106	205	309
Other	284	276	301	340	454	563	622	937	1,258
Labour and other income	59	68	77	92	105	119	139	238	250
<i>Total income credits</i>	<i>407</i>	<i>444</i>	<i>476</i>	<i>592</i>	<i>790</i>	<i>882</i>	<i>867</i>	<i>1,380</i>	<i>1,817</i>
<i>Debits —</i>									
<i>Property income —</i>									
Reinvested earnings	-612	-655	-658	-824	-1,018	-825	-358	586	-553
Other	-1,144	-1,345	-1,531	-1,875	-2,407	-2,706	-3,592	-4,619	-5,989
Labour and other income	-44	-49	-57	-72	-92	-110	-125	-135	-158
<i>Total income debits</i>	<i>-1,800</i>	<i>-2,049</i>	<i>-2,246</i>	<i>-2,771</i>	<i>-3,517</i>	<i>-3,641</i>	<i>-4,075</i>	<i>-4,168</i>	<i>-6,700</i>
<i>Net income</i>	<i>-1,393</i>	<i>-1,605</i>	<i>-1,770</i>	<i>-2,179</i>	<i>-2,727</i>	<i>-2,759</i>	<i>-3,208</i>	<i>-2,788</i>	<i>-4,883</i>
<i>Unrequited transfers —</i>									
<i>Credits</i>	<i>410</i>	<i>446</i>	<i>606</i>	<i>621</i>	<i>833</i>	<i>986</i>	<i>1,138</i>	<i>1,320</i>	<i>1,758</i>
<i>Debits</i>	<i>-736</i>	<i>-744</i>	<i>-863</i>	<i>-961</i>	<i>-968</i>	<i>-1,126</i>	<i>-1,330</i>	<i>-1,515</i>	<i>-1,643</i>
<i>Net unrequited transfers</i>	<i>-326</i>	<i>-298</i>	<i>-257</i>	<i>-340</i>	<i>-135</i>	<i>-140</i>	<i>-192</i>	<i>-195</i>	<i>115</i>
Balance on current account	-1,423	-2,435	-2,970	-3,604	-1,974	-5,435	-8,792	-6,505	-7,299

(a) Balance of payments basis NOTE: For details of series breaks etc., see *Balance of Payments, Australia: Concepts, Sources and Methods* (5331.0), Chapters 9-12.

TABLE 27. CURRENT ACCOUNT — SUMMARY — 1945-46 to 1992-93 — continued
(\$ million)

	1984-85	1985-86	1986-87	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92	1992-93
Current transactions —									
<i>Goods and services —</i>									
<i>Merchandise (a) —</i>									
Exports fob	29,730	32,148	36,038	41,515	43,894	48,564	52,155	54,874	60,022
Imports fob	-30,080	-35,691	-37,152	-40,386	-47,012	-50,992	-49,244	-51,055	-59,427
<i>Balance on merchandise trade</i>	-350	-3,543	-1,114	1,129	-3,118	-2,428	2,911	3,819	595
<i>Services —</i>									
<i>Credits —</i>									
Shipment	548	578	700	820	869	917	1,029	1,112	1,241
Other transportation	2,131	2,445	2,656	3,044	3,178	3,402	3,811	4,069	4,614
Travel	1,592	2,005	2,685	3,777	4,577	4,639	5,351	5,939	6,407
Other services	1,565	1,760	2,040	2,571	2,971	3,507	3,954	4,081	4,223
<i>Total services credits</i>	5,836	6,788	8,081	10,212	11,595	12,465	14,145	15,201	16,485
<i>Debits —</i>									
Shipment	-2,539	-2,851	-2,808	-2,923	-3,250	-3,443	-3,188	-3,257	-3,772
Other transportation	-2,330	-2,514	-2,510	-2,985	-3,467	-4,058	-4,156	-4,432	-4,637
Travel	-2,608	-2,760	-3,108	-3,749	-4,363	-5,164	-5,253	-5,148	-5,552
Other services	-2,140	-2,584	-2,798	-3,206	-3,457	-4,260	-4,522	-4,607	-4,938
<i>Total services debits</i>	-9,617	-10,709	-11,224	-12,863	-14,537	-16,925	-17,119	-17,444	-18,899
<i>Net services</i>	-3,781	-3,921	-3,143	-2,651	-2,942	-4,460	-2,974	-2,243	-2,414
<i>Balance on goods and services</i>	-4,131	-7,464	-4,257	-1,522	-6,060	-6,888	-63	1,576	-1,819
<i>Income —</i>									
<i>Credits —</i>									
Property income —									
Reinvested earnings	315	681	1,177	2,163	2,166	1,364	204	555	1,930
Other	1,355	1,443	1,740	1,708	1,953	2,778	3,166	3,230	3,129
Labour and other income	200	177	159	171	239	537	602	472	514
<i>Total income credits</i>	1,870	2,301	3,076	4,042	4,358	4,679	3,972	4,257	5,573
<i>Debits —</i>									
Property income —									
Reinvested earnings	-594	-936	-1,244	-2,428	-2,132	-1,126	-676	-752	-2,318
Other	-7,890	-9,129	-10,392	-11,921	-15,568	-20,421	-21,033	-18,967	-17,189
Labour and other income	-178	-164	-179	-210	-279	-406	-429	-326	-311
<i>Total income debits</i>	-8,662	-10,229	-11,815	-14,559	-17,979	-21,953	-22,138	-20,045	-19,818
<i>Net income</i>	-6,792	-7,928	-8,739	-10,517	-13,621	-17,274	-18,166	-15,788	-14,245
<i>Unrequited transfers —</i>									
<i>Credits</i>	1,952	2,517	3,017	3,545	4,210	4,518	4,711	4,584	3,119
<i>Debits</i>	-1,754	-1,808	-1,804	-1,880	-2,002	-2,189	-2,283	-2,343	-2,392
<i>Net unrequited transfers</i>	198	709	1,213	1,665	2,208	2,329	2,428	2,241	727
Balance on current account	-10,725	-14,683	-11,783	-10,374	-17,473	-21,833	-15,801	-11,971	-15,337

(a) Balance of payments basis NOTE: For details of series breaks etc., see *Balance of Payments, Australia: Concepts, Sources and Methods* (5331.0), Chapters 9-12.

TABLE 28. CAPITAL ACCOUNT AND BALANCING ITEM — SUMMARY — 1945-46 to 1992-93
(\$ million)

	1945-46	1946-47	1947-48	1948-49	1949-50	1950-51	1951-52
Net capital transactions —							
<i>Official —</i>							
<i>General government —</i>							
<i>Foreign investment in Australia</i>							
Borrowing	-91	-10	-19	-31	-52	-33	45
Other	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Total	-91	-10	-19	-31	-52	-33	45
<i>Australian investment abroad</i>	—	-12	-2	-3	1	-6	-16
<i>Total general government</i>	-91	-22	-21	-34	-51	-39	29
<i>Reserve Bank —</i>							
<i>Foreign investment in Australia</i>	—	—	—	—	27	10	-43
<i>Australian investment abroad —</i>							
Reserve assets	-25	50	-167	-331	-335	-340	894
Other	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Total	-25	50	-167	-331	-335	-340	894
<i>Total Reserve Bank</i>	-25	50	-167	-331	-308	-330	851
<i>Total official</i>	-116	28	-188	-365	-359	-369	880
<i>Non-official —</i>							
<i>Foreign investment in Australia —</i>							
Direct investment —							
Reinvestment of earnings	10	18	15	12	32	45	48
Other	—	—	59	69	98	89	113
Portfolio and other investment	-5	3	3	10	90	-23	-40
<i>Total foreign investment in Australia</i>	5	21	77	91	220	111	121
<i>Australian investment abroad —</i>							
Direct investment —							
Reinvestment of earnings	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Other	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Portfolio and other investment	-6	-10	-11	33	13	2	-6
<i>Total Australian investment abroad</i>	-6	-10	-11	33	13	2	-6
<i>Total non-official</i>	-1	11	66	124	233	113	115
Balance on capital account	-117	39	-122	-241	-126	-256	995
<i>Balancing item</i>	18	52	109	179	197	7	93

NOTE: For further details of series breaks etc., see *Balance of Payments, Australia: Concepts, Sources and Methods* (5331.0), Chapters 13-14.

TABLE 28. CAPITAL ACCOUNT AND BALANCING ITEM — SUMMARY — 1945-46 to 1992-93 — *Continued*
(\$ million)

	1952-53	1953-54	1954-55	1955-56	1956-57	1957-58	1958-59
Net capital transactions —							
<i>Official —</i>							
<i>General government —</i>							
<i>Foreign investment in Australia</i>							
Borrowing	18	13	48	44	2	21	60
Other	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Total	18	13	48	44	2	21	60
<i>Australian investment abroad</i>	20	-13	-4	18	-19	-19	15
<i>Total general government</i>	38	—	44	62	-17	2	75
<i>Reserve Bank —</i>							
<i>Foreign investment in Australia</i>	-15	-33	1	-16	-13	4	-36
<i>Australian investment abroad —</i>							
Reserve assets	-339	-6	259	163	-407	77	23
Other	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Total	-339	-6	259	163	-407	77	23
<i>Total Reserve Bank</i>	-354	-39	260	147	-420	81	-13
<i>Total official</i>	-316	-39	304	209	-437	83	62
<i>Non-official —</i>							
<i>Foreign investment in Australia —</i>							
Direct investment —							
Reinvestment of earnings	36	61	61	81	95	87	125
Other	6	76	137	143	96	105	83
Portfolio and other investment	4	-1	13	14	26	16	42
Total foreign investment in Australia	46	136	211	238	217	208	250
<i>Australian investment abroad —</i>							
Direct investment —							
Reinvestment of earnings	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Other	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Portfolio and other investment	-23	-21	-32	-36	-14	-19	-43
Total Australian investment abroad	-23	-21	-32	-36	-14	-19	-43
<i>Total Non-official</i>	23	115	179	202	203	189	207
Balance on capital account	-293	76	483	411	-234	272	269
<i>Balancing item</i>	-96	-72	-6	37	17	37	117

NOTE: For further details of series breaks etc., see *Balance of Payments, Australia: Concepts, Sources and Methods* (5331.0), Chapters 13-14.

TABLE 28. CAPITAL ACCOUNT AND BALANCING ITEM — SUMMARY — 1945-46 to 1992-93—continued
(\$ million)

	1959-60	1960-61	1961-62	1962-63	1963-64	1964-65	1965-66	1966-67
Net capital transactions —								
<i>Official —</i>								
<i>General government —</i>								
<i>Foreign investment in Australia</i>								
Borrowing	66	19	9	85	19	-24	-27	22
Other	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	66	19	9	85	19	-23	-27	27
<i>Australian investment abroad</i>	-14	-29	-8	-31	-65	-9	32	-40
<i>Total general government</i>	52	-10	1	54	-46	-32	5	-13
<i>Reserve Bank —</i>								
<i>Foreign investment in Australia</i>	—	91	-91	6	-3	3	2	4
<i>Australian investment abroad —</i>								
Reserve assets	-82	5	-110	-128	-452	291	-43	132
Other	44	-16	24	-23	3	4	-14	-13
Total	-38	-11	-86	-151	-449	295	-57	119
<i>Total Reserve Bank</i>	-38	80	-177	-145	-452	298	-56	123
<i>Total official</i>	14	70	-177	-92	-498	265	-50	110
<i>Non-official —</i>								
<i>Foreign investment in Australia —</i>								
Direct investment —								
Reinvestment of earnings	136	113	66	109	139	124	125	115
Other	184	262	155	275	286	416	388	249
Portfolio and other investment	74	100	81	84	35	56	188	159
Total foreign investment in Australia	394	475	302	468	460	596	701	523
<i>Australian investment abroad —</i>								
Direct investment —								
Reinvestment of earnings	-6	-7	-9	-9	-14	-19	-18	-13
Other	-8	-12	-12	-5	1	-13	-20	-24
Portfolio and other investment	-1	2	-60	16	25	-41	48	-86
Total Australian investment abroad	-15	-17	-81	2	12	-73	10	-123
<i>Total non-official</i>	379	458	221	470	472	523	711	400
Balance on capital account	393	528	44	379	-25	788	661	510
<i>Balancing item</i>	78	220	-36	89	95	-8	228	149

NOTE: For details of series breaks etc., see *Balance of Payments, Australia: Concepts, Sources and Methods* (5331.0), Chapters 13-14.

TABLE 28. CAPITAL ACCOUNT AND BALANCING ITEM — SUMMARY — 1945-46 to 1992-93—continued
(\$ million)

	1967-68	1968-69	1969-70	1970-71	1971-72	1972-73	1973-74	1974-75
Net capital transactions —								
<i>Official —</i>								
<i>General government —</i>								
<i>Foreign investment in Australia</i>								
Borrowing	148	137	-124	-49	-46	-61	-84	21
Other	—	—	—	11	12	10	8	26
Total	151	135	-124	-38	-34	-51	-75	47
<i>Australian investment abroad</i>	47	-109	-38	-33	-48	-39	129	-69
Total general government	198	26	-162	-71	-82	-90	54	-22
<i>Reserve Bank—</i>								
<i>Foreign investment in Australia</i>	3	3	3	6	—	9	12	-18
<i>Australian investment abroad—</i>								
Reserve assets	-73	-144	-43	-679	-1,481	-1,079	384	460
Other	-9	-11	2	74	3	—	—	—
Total	-82	-155	-41	-604	-1,478	-1,079	384	460
Total Reserve Bank	-79	-152	-38	-598	-1,478	-1,070	396	442
Total official	118	-126	-200	-668	-1,560	-1,160	450	419
<i>Non-official —</i>								
<i>Foreign investment in Australia —</i>								
Direct investment —								
Reinvestment of earnings	228	249	221	238	224	307	431	246
Other	333	351	515	659	646	92	185	411
Portfolio and other investment	445	402	308	672	621	201	92	475
Total foreign investment in Australia	1,006	1,002	1,044	1,569	1,491	600	708	1,132
<i>Australian investment abroad—</i>								
Direct investment —								
Reinvestment of earnings	-20	-12	-18	-19	-30	-74	-99	-28
Other	-27	-48	-110	-53	-91	-23	-145	-66
Portfolio and other investment	48	38	-74	-52	2	-106	-135	-191
Total Australian investment abroad	1	-22	-202	-124	-119	-203	-379	-285
Total non-official	1,007	980	843	1,445	1,372	397	329	848
Balance on capital account	1,125	854	642	777	-188	-764	779	1,267
Balancing item	6	126	46	-28	481	10	142	-72

NOTE: For details of series breaks etc., see *Balance of Payments, Australia: Concepts, Sources and Methods* (5331.0), Chapters 13-14.

TABLE 28. CAPITAL ACCOUNT AND BALANCING ITEM — SUMMARY — 1945-46 to 1992-93—continued
(\$ million)

	1975-76	1976-77	1977-78	1978-79	1979-80	1980-81	1981-82	1982-83	1983-84
Net capital transactions —									
<i>Official —</i>									
<i>General government —</i>									
<i>Foreign investment in Australia</i>									
Borrowing	46	375	1,648	1,361	175	-81	541	965	1,399
Other	2	-4	27	70	21	82	101	56	-93
Total	49	371	1,675	1,431	196	1	642	1,021	1,306
<i>Australian investment abroad</i>	-98	-126	-168	-64	-232	-41	-178	-212	-486
Total general government	-49	245	1,506	1,367	-36	-39	463	809	820
<i>Reserve Bank —</i>									
<i>Foreign investment in Australia</i>	-18	314	93	-135	-180	-132	4	38	-15
<i>Australian investment abroad —</i>									
Reserve assets	1,052	190	474	260	445	-1,016	-1,364	-2,461	-1,853
Other	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	1,052	190	474	260	445	-1,016	-1,364	-2,461	-1,853
Total Reserve Bank	1,034	504	567	125	266	-1,148	-1,360	-2,423	-1,868
Total official	985	749	2,073	1,492	230	-1,187	-896	-1,614	-1,048
<i>Non-official —</i>									
<i>Foreign investment in Australia —</i>									
Direct investment —									
Reinvestment of earnings	612	655	658	824	1,018	825	358	-586	553
Other	-34	407	382	533	519	1,616	2,094	1,656	1,450
Portfolio and other investment	251	668	382	786	1,614	3,754	7,504	8,320	6,872
Total foreign investment in Australia	829	1,730	1,422	2,143	3,151	6,195	9,956	9,390	8,875
<i>Australian investment abroad —</i>									
Direct investment —									
Reinvestment of earnings	-64	-100	-98	-160	-231	-200	-106	-205	-309
Other	-103	-155	-117	-65	-160	-311	-564	-377	-954
Portfolio and other investment	-24	64	-390	-150	-902	1	-59	-868	-842
Total Australian investment abroad	-191	-191	-605	-375	-1,293	-510	-729	-1,450	-2,105
Total non-official	637	1,539	817	1,767	1,859	5,685	9,227	7,940	6,770
Balance on capital account	1,622	2,288	2,890	3,260	2,088	4,498	8,331	6,326	5,722
<i>Balancing item</i>	-199	147	80	344	-114	937	432	179	1,577

NOTE: For details of series breaks etc., see *Balance of Payments, Australia: Concepts, Sources and Methods* (5331.0), Chapters 13-14.

TABLE 28. CAPITAL ACCOUNT AND BALANCING ITEM — SUMMARY — 1945-46 to 1992-93—*continued*
(\$ million)

	1984-85	1985-86	1986-87	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92	1992-93
Net capital transactions —									
<i>Official —</i>									
<i>General government —</i>									
<i>Foreign investment in Australia</i>									
Borrowing	4,131	5,809	6,451	3,935	3,170	3,748	742	2,095	11,621
Other	-46	30	-12	-71	-188	-74	-5	-29	-35
Total	4,084	5,839	6,439	3,864	2,982	3,674	737	2,066	11,586
<i>Australian investment abroad</i>	-341	-213	-336	462	30	-31	-420	656	44
<i>Total general government</i>	3,743	5,626	6,103	4,325	3,012	3,643	317	2,723	11,630
<i>Reserve Bank —</i>									
<i>Foreign investment in Australia</i>	-10	-16	18	-8	—	24	-22	21	39
<i>Australian investment abroad —</i>									
Reserve assets	1,520	2,140	-3,394	-3,924	-873	-2,156	-1,446	3,929	3,950
Other	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	1,520	2,140	-3,394	-3,924	-873	-2,156	-1,446	3,929	3,950
<i>Total Reserve Bank</i>	1,510	2,124	-3,376	-3,932	-873	-2,132	-1,468	3,950	3,989
<i>Total official</i>	5,253	7,750	2,727	393	2,139	1,511	-1,151	6,673	15,619
<i>Non-official —</i>									
<i>Foreign investment in Australia —</i>									
Direct investment —									
Reinvestment of earnings	594	936	1,244	2,428	2,132	1,127	674	750	2,318
Other	2,021	2,670	3,498	5,684	9,958	6,235	7,872	6,134	2,738
Portfolio and other investment	8,399	10,565	11,641	16,207	17,731	13,679	12,958	6,483	2,030
<i>Total foreign investment in Australia</i>	11,014	14,171	16,383	24,318	29,821	21,041	21,504	13,368	7,086
<i>Australian investment abroad —</i>									
Direct investment —									
Reinvestment of earnings	-315	-681	-1,178	-2,163	-2,166	-1,365	-205	-555	-1,930
Other	-1,427	-2,079	-3,439	-7,983	-4,458	-901	1,018	-410	-1,297
Portfolio and other investment	-2,593	-4,029	-4,523	-2,666	-5,262	-963	-2,762	-2,632	-2,584
<i>Total Australian investment abroad</i>	-4,335	-6,789	-9,140	-12,812	-11,886	-3,228	-1,949	-3,597	-5,811
<i>Total non-official</i>	6,679	7,382	7,244	11,506	17,936	17,812	19,555	9,771	1,275
Balance on capital account	11,932	15,132	9,970	11,900	20,074	19,324	18,404	16,444	16,895
<i>Balancing item</i>	-1,207	-449	1,813	-1,526	-2,601	2,509	-2,603	-4,473	-1,558

NOTE: For details of series breaks etc., see *Balance of Payments, Australia: Concepts, Sources and Methods* (5331.0), Chapters 13-14.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

This publication contains detailed estimates of Australia's balance of payments transactions for the years 1987-88 to 1992-93 inclusive, together with a regional breakdown of those transactions for 1992-93 and historical series back to 1945-46.

Concepts, sources and methods

2. Descriptions of the underlying concepts and structure of the balance of payments and the sources and methods used in compiling the estimates are presented in *Balance of Payments, Australia: Concepts, Sources and Methods* (5331.0). The publication also provides item definitions; explanations of constant price estimates, implicit price deflators and the terms of trade; and an analysis of the quality of the estimates.

Presentation

3. This publication contains 3 main tables, 25 supplementary tables and an analysis of the results. The tables are generally consistent in format with those shown in the quarterly balance of payments publication (5302.0), with the exception of Tables 18 to 23, and 25 which also include data on levels of investment and changes in levels. The main tables (Tables 1 to 3) provide summary statistics; they show the main aggregates and the more important components of the aggregates. The supplementary tables (Tables 4 to 28) provide additional breakdowns including data by region, historical data, related series (e.g. exchange rates and the trade weighted index) and reconciliation of selected balance of payments series with other series (e.g. with foreign trade statistics, international investment statistics).

Other balance of payments publications and data services

4. This annual publication is primarily a reference document. More timely estimates of the balance of payments are provided in the quarterly publication (5302.0) about 2 months after the end of each quarter while a monthly publication (5301.0) showing preliminary balance of payments estimates is published about twenty one working days after the end of each month. Quarterly historical statistics (back to 1959-60) and monthly historical statistics (back to 1971-72) are available on request for a charge. Regional series for years other than 1992-93 are also available on request for a charge from Mr Trevor Jolly on (06) 252 6820.

Commodity breakdowns of merchandise

5. Commodity breakdowns of merchandise exports are provided in Table 7 (at current prices) and Table 8 (at average 1989-90 prices). The exports groupings shown are based on the third revision of the United Nations Standard International Trade Classification (SITC rev 3) as follows:

<i>Exports</i>	<i>SITC rev 3 Section or Division</i>
Rural -	
Meat & meat preparations	01
Cereal grains and cereal preparations	04
Sugar, sugar preparations & honey	06
Wool and sheepskins	21(part),26(part)
Other rural	00,02,03,05,07 to 09, 12,21(part),22 to 25, 26(part),29,4
Non-rural -	
Metal ores & minerals	27,28
Mineral fuels -	
Coal, coke and briquettes	32
Other mineral fuels	33 to 35
Metals -	
Gold	95,97
Other metals	67,68
Machinery	71 to 77
Transport equipment	78,79
Other manufactures	5,61 to 66,69,8
Other non-rural	11,93,96,98

Note: Division 98 is not part of the SITC. In the balance of payments it comprises confidential items, which are removed from their actual division and combined in Division 98 to prevent disclosure of their values.

6. Commodity breakdowns of merchandise imports are provided in Table 7 (at current prices) and Table 8 (at 1989-90 prices). The three broad end-use categories - *Consumption goods, Capital goods and Intermediate and other goods* - are based on the United Nations' Classification of Broad Economic Categories (BEC), but differ from the BEC to the extent that intermediate goods are combined with other goods. These broad end-use categories are further divided into a total of 26 SITC Rev 3-based commodity groupings, which have also been aligned to the BEC.

7. For more information on the commodity classification of merchandise imports, and a detailed concordance between balance of payments merchandise imports end-use categories, commodity groups, BEC and SITC Rev 3, refer to the ABS Information Paper, *Change to Commodity Classification of Merchandise Imports in Balance of Payments Publications* (5344.0), released on 14 April 1994.

Investment levels, flows and income

8. Additional information about investment levels, flows and income is available in quarterly and annual international investment position publications (5306.0 and 5305.0). Statistics in international investment position publications are consistent with those in balance of payments publications; although minor differences in published figures may exist due to different rounding practices

adopted in the compilation of the international investment position and balance of payments statistics.

Transportation transactions

9. Additional information on freight and other transportation transactions is available on request for a charge from Mr Matthew Hardy on (06) 252 5738.

Trade in services

10. Supplementary data on trade in services up to 1992-93 are available in *International Trade in Services, Australia, 1992-93* (5354.0). The 1992-93 issue of this publication was released on 7 September 1994.

International merchandise trade

11. More detailed merchandise exports and merchandise imports data on an international merchandise trade basis are also available. These can be obtained by contacting Information Services on Canberra (06) 252 5400.

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Balance of Payments, Australia (5302.0) - issued quarterly

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International Trade in Services, Australia (5354.0) - issued annually

International Investment Position, Australia (5305.0) - issued annually

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Foreign Investment, Australia: Summary of Concepts, Sources and Methods (5355.0)

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..	not applicable

14. All values, unless otherwise indicated, are shown in Australian dollars rounded to the nearest million.

15. Where figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.

Abbreviations

ASEAN	Association of South East Asian Nations
BOP	Balance of Payments
EC	European Community
f.o.b.	free on board
IBRD	International Bank for Reconstruction and Development
IMF	International Monetary Fund
IPDs	Implicit price deflators
OECD	Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
SDRs	Special Drawing Rights in the International Monetary Fund

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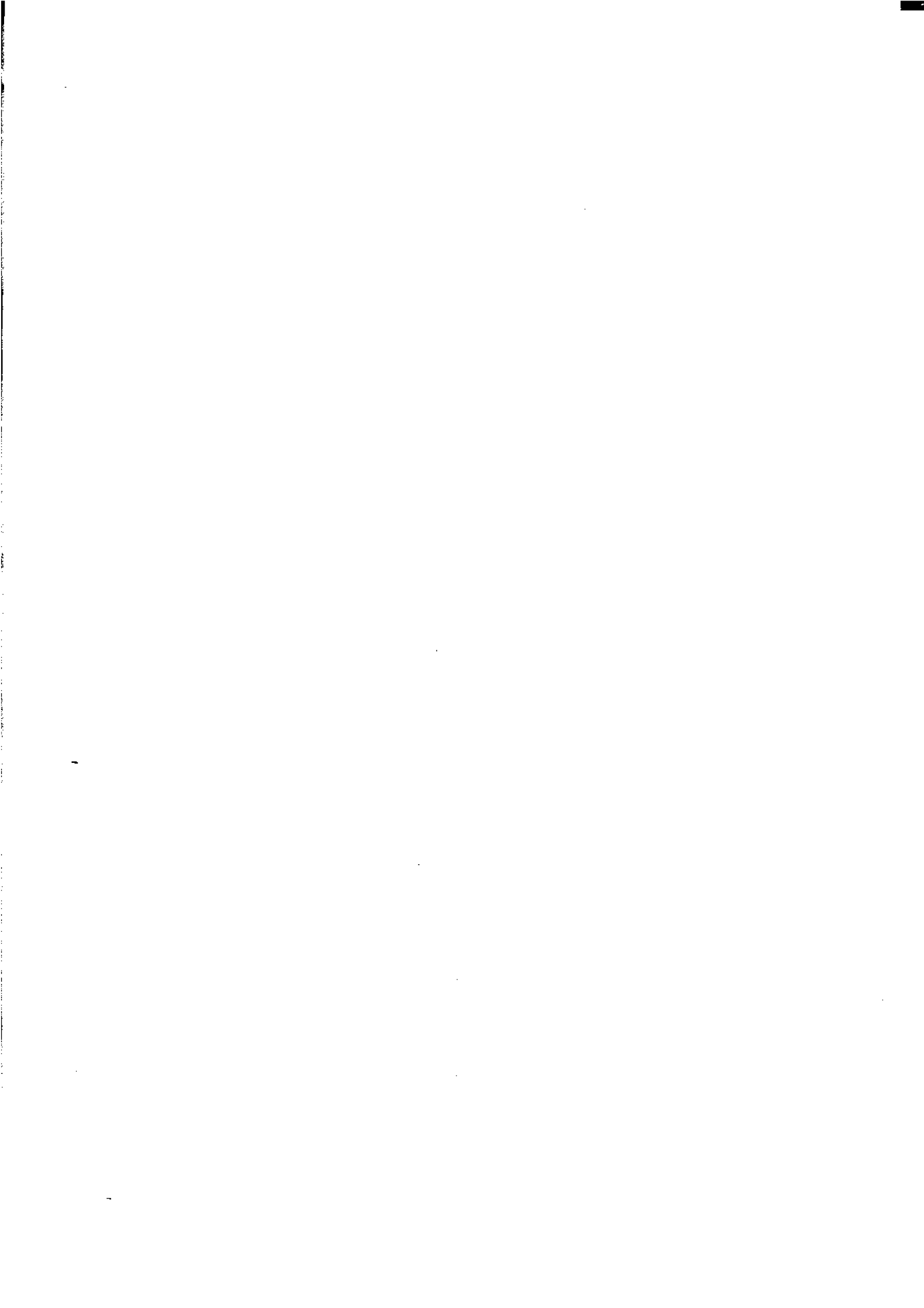
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