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(Source: Commonwealth Bank of Australia)

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Country	Currency	Bank buys* at -	Bank sells at -
	t		
USA	\$A1 = US Dollars	0.5200	0.5140
UK	\$A1 = Pounds	0.3636	0.3559
EEC	\$A1 = EUROs	0.5924	0.5763
Austria	\$A1 = Schillings**	8.0000	7.7800
Belgium	\$A1 = Belgium Francs**	23.4500	22.8100
Canada	\$A1 = Canadian Dollars	0.8350	0.8152
China	\$A1 = Renminbi	n.a.	n.a.
Denmark	\$A1 = Kroner	4.3953	4.2811
Fiji	\$A1 = Fiji Dollars	n.a.	1.1600
Finland	\$A1 = Markka**	3.4567	3.3621
France	\$A1 = French Francs**	3.8136	3.7091
Germany	\$A1 = Deutschemarks**	1.1371	1.1059
Greece	\$A1 = Drachmae**	197.7700	192.5800
Hong Kong	\$A1 = HK Dollars	4.0948	3.9659
India	\$A1 = Rupees	25.0226	24.3184
Indonesia	\$A1 = Rupiah	n.a.	n.a.
Italy	\$A1 = Lire**	1126.0000	1095.0000
Japan	\$A1 = Yen	69.1543	67.6076
Malaysia	\$A1 = Ringgits	n.a.	n.a.
Malta	\$A1 = Pounds	0.2382	0.2298
Netherlands	\$A1 = Florins**	1.2812	1.2461
New Caledonia	\$A1 = Francs	70.1205	67.6000
New Zealand	\$A1 = NZ Dollars	1.2265	1.2056
Norway	\$A1 = Kroner	4.6875	4.5657
Pakistan	\$A1 = Rupees	n.a.	n.a.
PNG	\$A1 = Kina	n.a.	1.6824
Philippines	\$A1 = Pesos	n.a.	25.3034
Portugal	\$A1 = Escudos**	116.5600	113.3600
Singapore	\$A1 = Singaporean Dollar	0.9590	0.9340
South Africa	\$A1 = Rand	6.0781	5.8422
Spain	\$A1 = Pesetas**	96.7300	94.0800
Sri Lanka	\$A1 = Rupees	n.a.	n.a.
Sweden	\$A1 = Kronor	5.4627	5.3208
Switzerland	\$A1 = Swiss Francs	0.8715	0.8489
Thailand	\$A1 = Bahts	23.2324	21.1976

Value of Australian Dollar against Major Currencies at 7am (AEST) on the Final trading day of: January 2002

Country	Currency	Bank buys* at -	Bank sells at -
USA \$	\$A1 = US Dollars	0.5088	0.5028
UK \$	A1 = Pounds	0.3607	0.3530
EEC \$	\$A1 = EUROs	0.5954	0.5790
Japan \$	\$A1 = Yen	67.8200	66.2900

 $[\]mbox{*}$ telegraphic transfer rate $\mbox{n.a.}$ not available

^{**} A single currency (the Euro) was adopted in many EEC countries from 1 January 2002. The values shown for exchange rates for the Austrian Schillings, Belgian Franc, Finnish Markka, French Franc, German Deutschemarks, Greek Drachmae, Irish Pounds, Italian Lire, Netherlands Guilder, Portuguese Escudo and Spanish Pesetas for the month of January 2002 are the closing trading prices of the 2nd day of January 2002. The Commonwealth Bank of Australia ceased quoting telegraphic transfer and selling rates in these currencies after that date.



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ABOUT THE DATA SERVICE

This data service summarises the exchange rates of the Australian Dollar with approximately 35 other currencies for the month from daily data supplied by the Commonwealth Bank.

MAIN FINDINGS

During January 2002 the midpoint of the buying and selling rates of \$A1.00 was US Dollars 0.5170, up from 0.5149 during December 2001. At 7am AEST on the final trading day of January the midpoint of the buying and selling rates for \$A1.00 was US Dollars 0.5058, down from 0.5111 at the end of December 2001.

CHANGES TO SCOPE AND COVERAGE

There were no changes to scope and coverage this issue.

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Revisions

There were no revisions to the data this issue.

DATA AVAILABILITY

From July 1998 time series data has been delivered to clients from the ABSDB via AUSSTATS and Time Series Deliver, previously these files were delivered from INFOS. The change in source has resulted in changes to the available date range for some series.

Time series are available back to January 1966 for some exchange rates. We can produce on request calender and financial year average exchange rate reports. In addition to the published exchange rates, there are also six unpublished exchange rates for the following six currencies: Irish Pounds (or Punt), Kuwaiti Diners, Oman Rials, Saudi Riyals, Solomon Island Dollars, and Vanuatu Vatu. However the time series for these currencies only exists from May 2001.