



FRIENDLY SOCIETIES: AUSTRALIA

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Enclosed are the Friendly Societies tables for the quarter ended March 1998.

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Table 1: Friendly Societies - Assets

	Sep-95	Dec-95	Mar-96	Jun-96	Sep-96	Dec-96	Mar-97	Jun-97	Sep-97	Dec-97	Mar-98
Assets in Australia											
Cash and deposits	1510	1455	1138	1664	1267	880	914	1611	960	824	713
Banks	972	945	616	1214	843	494	556	1250	597	572	510
Other deposit taking institutions	538	510	522	450	424	386	358	361	363	252	203
Loans and placements	568	529	432	412	405	397	391	369	366	370	366
Short term securities	3443	3353	4003	3475	3337	2920	2790	3216	3305	3173	3263
Bills of exchange	1522	1739	1468	1833	1141	1004	1207	1517	1700	1475	1235
Bank certificates of deposit	1273	1270	2027	1218	1713	1566	1314	1495	1131	1349	1658
Other short term securities	648	344	508	424	483	350	269	204	474	349	370
Long term securities	2148	2263	1800	1558	1639	2198	2381	1233	1690	1792	1726
Commonwealth government bonds	489	704	476	289	349	411	621	228	302	336	295
State and local government securities	818	778	647	565	671	923	921	412	645	549	564
Other long term securities	841	781	677	704	619	864	839	593	743	907	867
Equities and units in trusts	164	186	175	170	168	164	163	171	186	199	204
Private trading corporations shares	122	120	116	112	111	109	108	119	119	128	133
Financial sector shares	35	38	30	36	33	32	32	30	34	33	32
Units in trusts	7	28	21	22	24	23	23	22	33	38	39
Other financial assets	70	61	102	138	93	98	101	83	63	56	121
Land and buildings	378	377	378	373	366	382	387	391	341	328	324
Other non-financial assets	73	71	73	70	73	78	72	143	97	103	98
Assets in Australia	8354	8295	8101	7860	7348	7117	7199	7217	7008	6845	6815
Assets overseas	-	-	-	29	33	37	42	45	48	52	51
TOTAL ASSETS	8354	8295	8101	7889	7381	7154	7241	7262	7056	6897	6866

Table 2: Friendly Societies - Liabilities

	Sep-95	Dec-95	Mar-96	Jun-96	Sep-96	Dec-96	Mar-97	Jun-97	Sep-97	Dec-97	Mar-98
Participants' Equity	7908	7816	7656	7418	6891	6761	6724	6764	6681	6499	6441
Borrowings	100	101	102	102	105	104	81	106	105	108	103
Other Liabilities	346	378	343	369	385	289	436	392	270	290	322
Total Liabilities	8354	8295	8101	7889	7381	7154	7241	7262	7056	6897	6866