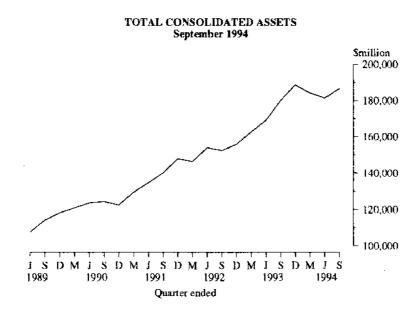


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ASSETS OF SUPERANNUATION FUNDS AND APPROVED DEPOSIT FUNDS SEPTEMBER QUARTER 1994

MAIN FEATURES



The value of assets of Superannuation Funds and Approved Deposit Funds (ADFs) was \$186,673 million at the end of September 1994, an increase of \$5,145 million (2.8%) on the revised June 1994 figure of \$181,528 million, and up \$6,665 million (3.7%) on the revised September 1993 figure of \$180,008 million. However, a significant proportion of the September 1994 increase was due to the inclusion of 6 new fund managers in the quarterly survey. These additional fund managers accounted for \$1,791 million of total assets.

The major increases in the value of assets during the September 1994 quarter occurred in equities and units in trusts, up \$2,752 million (4.3%), short term securities, up \$549 million (3.7%), and overseas assets, up \$766 million (2.7%).

Assets of Superannuation Funds and ADFs held outside the Statutory Funds of Life Insurance Offices accounted for \$106,003 million (\$6.8%) of total assets, and the Statutory Funds of Life Insurance Offices accounted for \$80,670 million (43.2%). Of those assets of Superannuation Funds and ADFs held outside the Statutory Funds of Life Insurance Offices, \$69,692 million (65.7%) were invested through fund managers, while \$36,311 million (34.3%) were invested directly.

At the end of September 1994, the assets of Superannuation Funds and ADFs included \$28,662 million (15.4%) in overseas assets. Domestic assets, which totalled \$158,011 million, mainly comprised equities and units in trusts (42.5%), and long term securities (25.6%).

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SUPERANNUATION AND APPROVED DEPOSIT FUNDS Percentage change in selected assets for the quarter ended September 1994

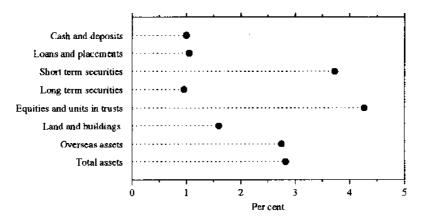


TABLE 1. TOTAL ASSETS OF SUPERANNUATION FUNDS AND APPROVED DEPOSIT FUNDS (\$ million)

	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993		199	3-94		1994-95
	June	June	June	June(a)	June	Sept.	Dec.	March	June	Sept.
ASSETS IN AUSTRALIA										
Financial assets —										
Cash and deposits										
Banks	1,769	2,389	2,812	3,564	3,571	3,616	3,639	3,383	5,374	4,941
Other deposit taking										
institutions	4,400	5,283	4,938	5,029	3,333	3,362	2,871	2,769	2,997	3,514
Loans and placements	8,486	10,511	9,892	9,713	9,979	9,841	9,352	8,367	8,307	8,394
Short term securities										
Bills of exchange	43 0 200	0.474	0.404	J 5,532	7,189	7,349	7,236	6,911	7,704	8,062
Bank certificates of deposit	(b) 9,328	9,434	9,584	l 3,109	3,483	2,572	3,708	4,011	3,892	3.927
Other short term securities				(4,025	3,554	3,720	3,431	3,397	3,140	3,296
Long term securities										
Commonwealth government										
	(b) 20,657	23,386	30,202	{ 8,558	12,452	14,482	14,419	13,956	15,142	15,859
State and local government										
securities				15,497	17,638	18,429	19,013	19,668	17,430	17,078
Other long term securities				11,092	9,308	8,394	7,823	7,538	7,548	7,570
Equities and units in trusts										
Private trading corporations				ſ						
shares	(b) 25,654	28,712	32,498	36,173	38,358	43,580	48,193	46,049	44,678	48,059
Financial sector shares	.,	·	·	6,282	7,155	8,155	9,485	9,102	8,649	8,482
Units in trusts				6.873	8,800	9,598	9,913	10,350	11,119	10,657
Other assets	(b) 7,052	8,732	9,459	3,286	3,628	3,726	4,581	3,494	3,097	3,177
Non-financial assets										
Land and buildings	17,842	18,800	17,919	15,622	13,503	13,094	12,888	12,669	13,412	13,631
Other	1,564	2,593	1,680	1,402	1,286	1,022	1,015	1,136	1,143	1,364
Total assets in Australia	96,752	109,840	118,984	135,757	143,237	150,940	157,567	152,800	153,632	158,011
ASSETS OVERSEAS	11,133	13,981	15,632	18,395	25,779	29,068	31,366	31,539	27,896	28,662
Total assets Of which —	107,885	123,821	134,616	154,152	169,016	180,008	188,933	184,339	181,528	186,673
Superannuation funds Approved deposit funds	102,146 5,739	116,554 7,267	126,391 8,225	144,506 9,646	158,998 10,018	169,858 10,150	178,642 10,291	174,381 9,958	172,090 9,438	176,937 9,736

⁽a) For explanation of the changes in the compilation of the data between the June 1992 quarter and prior quarters, please see the Explanatory Notes at the end of the bulletin. (b) Brings together data shown in Tables 2 and 3. Groupings necessitated by differences between classifications used by ABS and Insurance and Superannuation Commission. See Explanatory Notes.

SUPERANNUATION FUNDS IN THE STATUTORY FUNDS OF LIFE INSURANCE OFFICES Percentage change in selected assets for the quarter ended September 1994

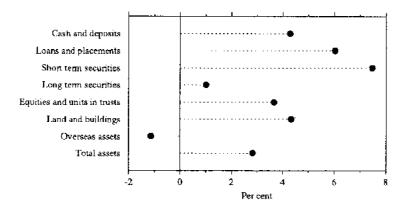


TABLE 2. ASSETS OF SUPERANNUATION FUNDS HELD IN THE STATUTORY FUNDS OF LIFE INSURANCE OFFICES (a) (\$\sigma\$ million)

	1989 — June	1990	1991 	1992 June	1993			1994-95		
		June			June	Sept.	Dec.	March	June	Sept.
ASSETS IN AUSTRALIA										
Financial assets —										
Cash and deposits										
Banks	636	825	1,101	1,315	1,372	1,166	1,468	1,474	1,939	1,942
Other deposit taking										
institutions	676	876	1,271	1,570	1,754	1,802	1,484	1,474	1,770	1,926
Loans and placements	5,050	6,721	5,210	4,393	4,485	4,137	3,832	3,571	- 3,564	3,779
Short term securities										
Bills of exchange	(b) 2,825	3,241	3,752	₅ 2,984	3,644	3,459	3,963	3,416	3,867	4,157
Bank certificates of deposit) (U) 2,823	3,241	3,732	ો 1,545	1,727	1,135	1,101	1,090	867	1,031
Other short term securities				2,389	2,227	1,940	1,852	1,869	1,969	2,016
Long term securities										
Commonwealth government										
bonds	(6) 8,251	10,030	13,240	1,644	3,738	5,485	5,245	5,610	5,684	6,119
State and local government				1						
securities	!			7,952	8,637	9,647	10,212	10,185	9,462	8,744
Other long term securities	J			5,683	5,432	4.827	4,753	4,406	4,578	5,060
Equities and units in trusts										
Private trading corporations)			ſ						
shares	(b) 11,810	12,944	14,313	15,664	15,481	17,449	19,098	18.029	16,954	18,228
Financial sector shares	J ' ' '			2,659	3,056	3,506	4.075	4.032	3,715	3,464
Units in trusts	ì			[2,242	2,802	3,047	3,205	3,683	4,294	4,187
Other assets	} (b) 1,669	1,735	3,082	1,362	1,352	1,225	1,478	1,596	1,452	1.281
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Non-financial assets —										
Land and buildings	7,890	7,706	8,506	7.518	6.438	6.186	5.941	5,535	6,027	6,288
Other	997	2,084	1,174	1,086	932	744	660	798	759	1,032
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Total assets in Australia	39,804	46,162	51.649	60,006	63,077	65,755	68,367	66,768	66,901	69,254
ASSETS OVERSEAS	3,029	4,839	6,448	8,202	11,615	12,904	13,820	13,375	11,548	11,416
Total assets	42,833	51,001	58,097	68,208	74,692	78,659	82,187	80,143	78,449	80,670

⁽a) For June 1992 (and subsequent quarters) data are derived from ABS surveys; for previous quarters data are derived from information collected by the Insurance and Superannuation Commission. See Explanatory Notes. (b) Groupings necessitated by differences between classifications used by ABS and Insurance and Superannuation Commission. See Explanatory Notes.

SUPERANNUATION FUNDS AND ADFS HELD OUTSIDE STATUTORY FUNDS OF LIFÉ INSURANCE OFFICES Percentage change in selected assets for the quarter ended September 1994

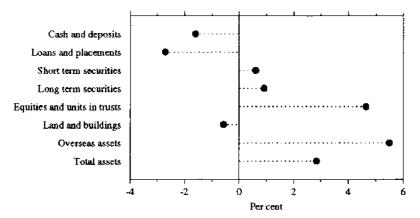


TABLE 3. ASSETS OF SUPERANNUATION FUNDS AND APPROVED DEPOSIT FUNDS HELD OUTSIDE THE STATUTORY FUNDS OF LIFE INSURANCE OFFICES

TOTAL ASSETS (\$ million)

	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993		199	3.94		1994-95
	June	June	June	 June	June	Sept.	Dec.	March	June	Sept
ASSETS IN AUSTRALIA	·		·							
Financial assets —										
Cash and deposits										
Banks	1,133	1,564	1,711	2,249	2,199	2,450	2,171	1,909	3,435	2,999
Other deposit taking										
institutions	3,724	4,407	3,667	3,459	1,579	1,560	1,387	1,295	1,227	1,588
Loans and placements	3,436	3,790	4,682	5,320	5,494	5,704	5,520	4,796	4,743	4,615
Short term securities										
Bills of exchange	4,894	4,591	3,527	2,548	3,545	3,890	3,273	3,495	3,837	3,905
Bank certificates of deposit	1,609	1,602	2,305	1,564	1,756	1,437	2,607	2,921	3,025	2,896
Other short term securities	1,209	1,206	1,277	1,636	1,327	1,780	1,579	1,528	1,171	1,280
Long term securities										
Commonwealth government										
bonds	3,703	2,382	3,732	6,914	8,714	8,997	9,174	8,346	9,458	9,740
State and local government	-•			2,22.	3,,,,,	2,27.	242	0,010	7,	
securities	3.772	5,505	7,160	7,545	9.001	8,782	8,801	9.483	7,968	8,334
Other long term securities	3,722	4,263	4,793	5,409	3,876	3,567	3,070	3,132	2,970	2,510
Equities and units in trusts	- 7:	.,	.,		-,	- ,	-1	-,	-12	-,
Private trading corporations										
shares	11,715	13,396	15.110	20,509	22,877	26,131	29,095	28,020	27,724	29,831
Financial sector shares	2,129	2,372	3,075	3,623	4.099	4,649	5,410	5.070	4,934	5,018
Units in trusts	4.881	5.069	4,308	4,631	5,998	6,551	6,708	6,667	6.825	6,470
Other assets	502	1.928	2,069	1,924	2,276	2,501	3,103	1,898	1,645	1,896
3	502	1,520	2,007	3,221	1,270	2,551	5,105	1,070	1,015	1,000
Non-financial assets —										
Land and buildings	9,952	11,094	9,413	8,104	7,065	6,908	6.947	7,134	7,385	7,343
Other	567	509	506	316	354	278	355	338	384	332
Total assets in Australia	56,948	63,678	67,335	75,751	80.160	85.185	89,200	86,032	86,731	88.757
ASSETS OVERSEAS	8,104	9,142	9,184	10,193	14,164	16,164	17,546	18,164	16,348	17,246
Total assets	65,052	72,820	76,519	85,944	94,324	101,349	106,746	104,196	103,079	196,003
Of which —									•	
Superannuation funds	59,313	65,553	68,294	76,298	84,306	91,199	96,455	94,238	93,641	96,267
Approved deposit funds	5,739	7,267	8,225	9,646	10,018	10,150	10,291	9,958	9,438	9,736

SUPERANNUATION FUNDS AND ADFS HELD OUTSIDE STATUTORY FUNDS OF LIFE INSURANCE OFFICES INVESTED DIRECTLY Percentage change in selected assets for the quarter ended September 1994

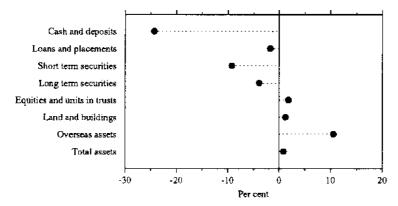


TABLE 3A. ASSETS OF SUPERANNUATION FUNDS AND APPROVED DEPOSIT FUNDS HELD OUTSIDE THE STATUTORY FUNDS OF LIFE INSURANCE OFFICES

INVESTED DIRECTLY (\$ million)

	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993		1993	-94	···	1994-95
	June	June	June	June	June	Sept.	Dec.	March	June	Sept.
ASSETS IN AUSTRALIA				,						
Financial assets										
Cash and deposits										
Banks	438	603	346	487	706	629	616	571	. 1,057	732
Other deposit taking										
institutions	957	935	725	685	492	375	444	363	374	351
Loans and placements	3,274	3,526	4,518	5,136	5,287	5,529	5,349	4,720	4,656	4,576
Short term securities										
Bills of exchange	1,697	1,202	1,333	561	816	736	715	612	949	722
Bank certificates of deposit	770	535	743	541	362	334	407	509	657	742
Other short term securities	302	226	313	238	338	347	367	236	154	134
Long term securities										
Commonwealth government										
bonds	1,486	580	1,393	1,197	1,651	1,644	1,606	1,753	1,484	1,536
State and local government					ŕ			ŕ		
securities	1,877	1,859	2,126	2,323	2,323	2,398	2,417	2,362	1,898	1,984
Other long term securities	2,250	2,487	2,439	1,998	1,376	1,180	1,085	957	977	669
Equities and units in trusts										
Private trading corporations										
shares	5,098	5,659	5,841	6,825	7,507	8,633	9,454	8,855	8,432	8,730
Financial sector shares	676	787	1,070	1,217	1,384	1,670	1,805	1.852	1,863	1.724
Units in trusts	775	887	730	553	818	839	919	873	896	936
Other assets	341	1,839	2,037	1,860	2,233	2,367	2,733	1,800	1,576	1,807
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Non-financial assets —	7 073	B 930	3 4 4 1 1	£ 030	4 440	4.410	4.420	4.450	4.600	4.650
Land and buildings	7,822	8,820	7,669	5,029	4,448	4,412	4,439	4,452	4,602	4,659
Other	314	186	385	309	300	212	298	285	321	259
Total assets in Australia	28.077	30,131	31.668	28,959	30,041	31,305	32,654	30,200	29,896	29,561
ASSETS OVERSEAS	3,191	3,940	3,379	3,216	4,233	4,843	5,120	6,215	6,104	6,750
Total assets	31,268	34,071	35,047	32,175	34,274	36,148	37,774	36,415	36,000	36,311
Of which —										
Superannuation funds	30,467	33,3 6 4	34,227	31,305	33,412	35,288	36,930	35,612	35,233	35,607
Approved deposit funds	801	707	770	870	862	860	844	803	767	704

SUPERANNUATION FUNDS AND ADFS HELD OUTSIDE STATUTORY FUNDS OF LIFE INSURANCE OFFICES INVESTED THROUGH FUND MANAGERS

Percentage change in selected assets for the quarter ended September 1994

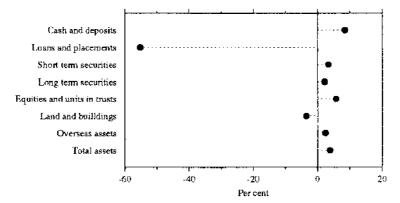


TABLE 3B. ASSETS OF SUPERANNUATION FUNDS AND APPROVED DEPOSIT FUNDS HELD OUTSIDE THE STATUTORY FUNDS OF LIFE INSURANCE OFFICES

INVESTED THROUGH FUND MANAGERS (\$ million)

	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993		1993-	94		1994-95
	June	June	June	June	June	Sept.	Dec.	March	June	Sept.
ASSETS IN AUSTRALIA								· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
Financial assets —										
Cash and deposits										
Banks	695	961	1,365	1,762	1,493	1,821	1,555	1,338	2,378	2,267
Other deposit taking										
institutions	2,767	3,472	2,942	2,774	1,087	1,185	943	932 -	853	1,237
Loans and placements	162	264	164	184	207	175	171	76	87	39
Short term securities										
Bills of exchange	3,197	3,389	2,194	1,987	2,729	3,154	2,558	2,883	2,888	3,183
Bank certificates of deposit	839	1,067	1,562	1,023	1,394	1,103	2,200	2,412	2,368	2,154
Other short term securities	907	980	964	1,398	989	1,433	1,212	1,292	1,017	1,146
Long term securities										
Commonwealth government										
bonds	2,217	1,802	2,339	5,717	7,063	7,353	7,568	6,593	7,974	8,204
State and local government		•	,			,		•		
securities	1.895	3,646	5.034	5,222	6,678	6,384	6.384	7,121	6,070	6,350
Other long term securities	1,472	1,776	2,354	3,411	2,500	2,387	1,985	2,175	1,993	1,841
Equities and units in trusts	•	ĺ	•	ŕ	·	·	`.	ŕ	ŕ	,
Private trading corporations										
shares	6,617	7,737	9,269	13,684	15,370	17,498	19.641	19,165	19,292	21,101
Financial sector shares	1,453	1,585	2,005	2,406	2,715	2,979	3,605	3,218	3,071	3,294
Units in trusts	4,106	4,182	3,578	4,078	5,180	5,712	5,789	5,794	5,929	5,534
Other assets	161	89	32	64	43	134	370	98	69	89
Non-financial assets -										
Land and buildings	2,130	2,274	1,744	3,075	2,617	2,496	2,508	2,682	2,783	2,684
Other	253	323	121	7	54	66	57	53	63	73
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Total assets in Australia	28.87I	33,547	35.667	46,792	50,119	53,880	56,546	55,83 2	56,835	59,196
ASSETS OVERSEAS	4,913	5,202	5,805	6,977	9,931	11,321	12,426	11,949	10,244	10,496
Total assets	33,784	38,749	41,472	53,769	60,050	65,201	68,972	67,781	67,079	69,692
Of which	•	•	•	*		-	3		,	,
Superannuation funds	28,846	32,189	34,017	44,993	50,894	55,911	59,525	58,626	58,408	60,660
Approved deposit funds	4,938	6.560	7,455	8.776	9,156	9,290	9.447	9,155	8,671	9,032

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

This publication presents statistics on the assets of Superannuation Funds and Approved Deposit Funds (ADFs) at the end of each quarter. The statistics have been compiled from the quarterly Survey of Balance Sheet Information conducted by the ABS and from information collected by the Insurance and Superannuation Commission (ISC) for its Quarterly Statistical Bulletin.

Scope

- 2. The scope of the statistics in this publication relates to all assets of superannuation funds and approved deposit funds.
- 3. Superannuation funds are defined as:
 - (a) indefinitely continuing funds maintained solely for either or both of the following purposes:
 - the provision of benefits for each member of the fund in the event of the retirement of the member from any business, trade, profession, vocation, calling, occupation or employment in which the member is engaged; and
 - (ii) the provision of benefits for the dependants of each member of the fund in the event of the death of the member.
- 4. Approved deposit funds are defined as:
 - (a) indefinitely continuing funds that have approved rules in terms of the Occupational Superannuation Standards Act 1987 as amended; and
 - (b) are maintained by an approved trustee or trustees solely for receiving on deposit amounts that are deemed by section 27D of the Tax Act to have been expended out of eligible termination payments within the meaning of that section.
- 5. Both Public and Private Sector superannuation funds are covered by these statistics. However, funds are excluded where the employee makes no contribution and all benefits are met entirely from employers' resources as they become payable.

Presentation

6. Separate statistics are presented for assets of superannuation funds held in the statutory funds of Life Insurance Offices and for assets of superannuation funds and ADFs held *outside* the statutory funds of Life Insurance Offices. The latter are sub-divided into assets

invested directly and those invested through fund managers.

7. Statutory funds of Life Insurance Offices have been set up under Commonwealth Government legislation and are analogous to trust funds. The legislation requires that the assets of any statutory fund must be kept separate and distinct from the assets of other statutory funds and any other assets of the company. All income received must be paid into and become an asset of the appropriate statutory fund and these assets are only available to meet the liabilities and expenses of that fund.

Coverage

- 8. Prior to June 1992 information regarding assets of superannuation funds of life insurance offices, presented in Table 2, were prepared from data furnished by the ISC. These data were compiled from quarterly returns submitted by registered Life Insurance Offices and four State Government Insurance Offices conducting superannuation business. For the quarter ended 30 June 1992 (and subsequent quarters) the data are derived from an extended coverage of life insurance offices included in the ABS's Survey of Balance Sheet Information.
- 9. For superannuation funds and ADFs whose assets are not held in the statutory funds of Life Insurance Offices the information in this publication is derived from ABS surveys of:
 - (a) Superannuation funds and ADFs that directly invest in assets on their own behalf. The statistics from this source are presented in Table 3A.
 - (b) Fund managers who invest the monies of superannuation funds and ADFs on a fee for service basis. Fund managers are generally banks, life insurance offices or merchant banks, or organisations related to these types of institutions. The statistics from this source are presented in Table 3B.
- 10. If superannuation funds and ADFs invest in both of the above ways their assets directly invested are included in Table 3A and those assets placed with fund managers in Table 3B. Also, if a directly investing superannuation fund has some portion of its assets invested in the statutory funds of life insurance offices these amounts are included in Table 2 not in Table 3A.
- 11. The number of superannuation funds, ADFs and fund managers may vary from quarter to quarter due to an on-going process of rationalisation within the superannuation industry. These changes normally result in small movements which are not statistically significant.

Basis of valuation

12. Respondents to the ABS quarterly survey are requested to report assets at their market value. Respondents to the ISC quarterly survey are requested to report assets at book value. In most cases book value does not represent historical cost but a more current valuation. However, it may not represent a market value.

Assets in Australia/overseas

13. Assets in Australia include land and buildings located in Australia and financial claims on residents; assets overseas include land and buildings located overseas and financial claims on non-residents. A resident is any person, corporation or other entity permanently domiciled in Australia, except that foreign embassies, consulates and military establishments are classified as non-resident. Non-residents include any persons, corporations or other entities permanently domiciled overseas. Entities located in Australia which are owned by non-residents are classified as residents of Australia (e.g. a branch or subsidiary of an overseas company). Overseas branches or subsidiaries of Australian companies are non-resident,

Financial instruments

14. The classification of financial instruments in this publication follows that contained in the ABS Publication Australian National Accounts, Financial Accounts (5232.0). A definition of these instruments is contained in that publication. For quarters prior to June 1992 the classification of financial instruments used in the ISC Quarterly Statistical Bulletin does not correspond with the ABS classification and some amalgamation of ISC classifications to approximate ABS classifications has been necessary when compiling this publication,

Revisions

15. Revisions to previously published statistics are included in this publication.

Related publications

16. Users may also wish to refer to the following publications which are available on request:

Managed Funds: Australia (5655.0) — issued quarterly

Public Sector Superannuation Funds and Schemes, Australia (5511.0) — issued annually

Australian National Accounts, Financial Accounts (5232.0) — issued quarterly

Superannuation, Australia (6319.0)

Retirement and Retirement Intentions, Australia (6238.0)

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- nil, or rounded to zero
- n.p. not available for publication but included in totals where applicable, unless otherwise indicated
- 18. Where figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.

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