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(Source: Commonwealth Bank of Australia)

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Country	Currency	Bank buys* at -	Bank sells at -
USA	\$A1 = US Dollars	0.5179	0.5119
UK	\$A1 = Pounds	0.3607	0.3531
EEC	\$A1 = EUROs	0.5848	0.5689
Austria	\$A1 = Schillings	8.0474	7.8274
Belgium	\$A1 = Belgium Francs	23.5911	22.9463
Canada	\$A1 = Canadian Dollars	0.8195	0.8001
China	\$A1 = Renminbi	n.a.	n.a.
Denmark	\$A1 = Kroner	4.3449	4.2318
Fiji	\$A1 = Fiji Dollars	n.a.	1.1485
Finland	\$A1 = Markka	3.4769	3.3821
France	\$A1 = French Francs	3.8359	3.7313
Germany	\$A1 = Deutschemarks	1.1437	1.1125
Greece	\$A1 = Drachmae	198.9268	193.7295
Hong Kong	\$A1 = HK Dollars	4.0813	3.9463
India	\$A1 = Rupees	24.6985	24.0022
Indonesia	\$A1 = Rupiah	n.a.	n.a.
Italy	\$A1 = Lire	1132.2632	1101.3684
Japan	\$A1 = Yen	66.0042	64.5242
Malaysia	\$A1 = Ringgits	n.a.	n.a.
Malta	\$A1 = Pounds	0.2357	0.2274
Netherlands	\$A1 = Florins	1.2887	1.2535
New Caledonia	\$A1 = Francs	68.8937	66.4137
New Zealand	\$A1 = NZ Dollars	1.2460	1.2253
Norway	\$A1 = Kroner	4.6659	4.5445
Pakistan	\$A1 = Rupees	n.a.	n.a.
PNG	\$A1 = Kina	n.a.	1.7214
Philippines	\$A1 = Pesos	n.a.	25.4406
Portugal	\$A1 = Escudos	117.2374	114.0395
Singapore	\$A1 = Singaporean Dollar	0.9524	0.9276
South Africa	\$A1 = Rand	5.9906	5.7761
Spain	\$A1 = Pesetas	97.2989	94.6442
Sri Lanka	\$A1 = Rupees	n.a.	n.a.
Sweden	\$A1 = Kronor	5.5075	5.3657
Switzerland	\$A1 = Swiss Francs	0.8608	0.8384
Thailand	\$A1 = Bahts	23.1011	20.7126

Value of Australian Dollar against Major Currencies at 7am (AEST) on the Final trading day of: December 2001

Country	Currency	Bank buys* at -	Bank sells at -
USA	\$A1 = US Dollars	0.5141	0.5081
UK	\$A1 = Pounds	0.3556	0.3481
EEC	\$A1 = EUROs	0.5856	0.5696
Germany	\$A1 = Deutschemarks	1.1452	1.1139
Japan -	\$A1 = Yen	67.6500	66.1300

* telegraphic transfer rate Financial Accounts Section Australian Bureau of Statistics

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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 December 2001 the midpoint of the buying and selling rates of \$A1.00 was US Dollars 0.5149, down from 0.5172 during November 2001. At 7am AEST on the final trading day of December the midpoint of the buying and selling rates for \$A1.00 was US Dollars 0.5111, down from 0.5186 at the end of November 2001.

CHANGES TO SCOPE AND COVERAGE

There were no changes to scope and coverage this issue.

CHANGES THIS ISSUE

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 to May 2001.