

COMMON FUNDS: AUSTRALIA

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Enclosed are the Common Funds tables for the quarter ended **June 2002**

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About the data service

This data service presents quarterly statistics on the assets and liabilities of common funds, including cash common funds.

Key points

The total assets of common funds decreased by \$240 million (3%) to \$7,941 million during the June quarter 2002. Cash common funds decreased by \$183 million (4%) to \$4,262 million and other common funds decreased by \$57 million (2%) to \$3,679 million.

Short term securities of common funds accounted for 43% of total assets, with assets in short term securities allocated as follows: 34% to bills of exchange and 66% to bank certificates of deposit.

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TABLE 1. CASH COMMON FUNDS (\$ million)

	Dec 99	Mar 00	Jun 00	Sep 00	Dec 00	Mar 01	Jun 01	Sep 01	Dec 01	Mar 02	Jun 02
				AS	SSETS						
Cash and deposits Cash and bank deposits Other deposit taking institutions	404 115	295 125	380 134	178 124	165 133	214 118	372 146	495 140	594 150	799 150	617 156
Loans and placements	5	6	12	13	12	12	11	10	11	10	9
Short term securities Bills of exchange Bank certificates of deposit Other short term securities	1,939 958 165	1,999 1,175 191	1,376 1,238 182	1,879 936 197	1,614 1,221 220	1,634 1,631 175	1,934 1,666 10	1,323 1,999 5	1,259 2,128	1,115 2,091 1	1,114 2,100
Long term securities Commonwealth government bonds State and local government securities Other long term securities	- - 41	39	36	- - 48	55	65	- 83	- - 107	- 104	- 146	- - 144
Other financial assets	60	60	65	66	55	60	147	145	136	133	122
Other non-financial assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
TOTAL ASSETS	3,687	3,890	3,423	3,441	3,475	3,909	4,369	4,225	4,382	4,445	4,262
				LIAE	BILITIES						
Depositors' Funds Other Liabilities	3,687 -	3,890	3,423	3,441 -	3,475 -	3,909	4,369 -	4,225	4,382	4,445 -	4,262
TOTAL LIABILITIES	3,687	3,890	3,423	3,441	3,475	3,909	4,369	4,225	4,382	4,445	4,262
				DEPOSITS ANI) WITHDRAWAI	LS					
Depositors' Funds at start of the period New deposits during quarter Other amounts credited during quarter	3,692 1,011 13	3,687 1,052	3,890 971 -	3,423 778 9	3,441 1,000	3,475 1,374	3,909 1,216	4,369 1,102	4,225 1,026	4,382 991	4,445 936
Withdrawals during quarter Depositors' Funds at end of period	1,029 3,687	849 3,890	1,438 <i>3,423</i>	769 3,441	966 3,475	940 3,909	756 4,369	1,246 4,225	869 4,382	928 4,445	1,119 4,262
				MATURITY	Z DISSECTION						
At call and up to 24 hours Over 24 hours and up to 7 days Over 7 days and up to 30 days Over 30 days and up to 90 days Over 90 days and up to 180 days Over 180 days TOTAL ASSETS	403 315 1,258 1,297 296 118 3,687	242 517 1,545 1,144 317 125 3,890	395 378 1,023 1,239 263 125 3,423	133 426 1,217 1,352 190 123 3,441	137 275 887 1,973 81 122 3,475	168 471 1,288 1,665 222 95 3,909	374 665 1,140 1,904 179 107 4,369	499 549 1,381 1,436 246 114 4,225	592 491 1,167 1,908 83 141 4,382	798 424 1,146 1,651 248 178 4,445	625 701 890 1,857 122 67 4,262

TABLE 2. COMMON FUNDS (EXCLUDING CASH COMMON FUNDS) (\$ million)

	Dec 99	Mar 00	Jun 00	Sep 00	Dec 00	Mar 01	Jun 01	Sep 01	Dec 01	Mar 02	Jun 02
				AS	SSETS						
Cash and deposits Cash and bank deposits Other deposit taking institutions	137 169	126 173	184 154	211 81	195 38	297 24	233 58	230 57	217 30	244 21	286 27
Loans and placements	1,893	1,986	2,006	1,729	1,783	1,618	1,583	1,688	1,751	1,791	1,785
Short term securities Bills of exchange Bank certificates of deposit Other short term securities	67 164 20	74 155 6	89 115 3	99 126	88 161 -	138 122	170 328 5	95 195 13	78 165 9	107 152 7	64 145 8
Long term securities Commonwealth government bonds State and local government securities Other long term securities	58 363 456	49 371 444	42 377 410	16 334 475	15 332 443	16 315 448	15 266 364	16 222 405	54 216 320	53 230 296	44 144 367
Equities and Units in trusts Private trading corporation shares Financial sector shares Units in trusts Other financial assets	232 370 113	239 375 108	213 387 116 6	214 341 112	228 324 78	170 428 60 100	283 360 26 99	285 330 93 85	203 336 113 <i>94</i>	201 335 126 83	192 380 124 22
Non-financial assets Land and buildings Other non-financial assets	46 38	46 39	41 33	42	42	42	42	42	42	42	42
Total Assets in Australia	4,126	4,191	4,176	3,780	3,727	3,778	3,832	3,756	3,628	3,688	3,630
Assets overseas	40	41	23	-	2	2	2	22	45	48	49
TOTAL ASSETS	4,166	4,232	4,199	3,780	3,729	3,780	3,834	3,778	3,673	3,736	3,679
of which: Equity Funds Mortgage Funds Property Funds Other Funds	762 1,971 123 1,310	771 1,926 124 1,411	746 1,899 120 1,434	691 1,629 79 1,381	644 1,567 67 1,451	662 1,600 73 1,445	704 1,661 68 1,401	657 1,680 67 1,374	571 1,735 72 1,295	569 1,789 70 1,308	534 1,772 69 1,304
				LIAE	BILITIES						
Depositors' Funds Borrowings from Financial sector Other borrowings	4,166 - -	4,232	4,199 - -	3,780	3,729	3,780	3,832	3,776	3,672	3,736	3,679
Options and futures Other liabilities TOTAL LIABILITIES	4,166	4,232	- - 4,199	3,780	3,729	3,780	2 3,834	3,778	1 3,673	3,736	3,679
				DEPOSITS ANI	O WITHDRAWAL	_S					
Depositors' Funds at start of the period New deposits during quarter Other amounts credited during quarter Withdrawals during quarter Depositors' Funds at end of period	4,105 212 8 159 4,166	4,166 200 41 175 4,232	4,232 172 26 231 4,199	4,199 136 13 568 3,780	3,780 220 46 317 3,729	3,729 380 28 357 3,780	3,780 203 19 170 3,832	3,832 222 - 278 3,776	3,776 308 18 430 3,672	3,672 167 4 107 3,736	3,736 129 7 193 3,679

TABLE 3. ALL COMMON FUNDS (\$ million)

	Dec 99	Mar 00	Jun 00	Sep 00	Dec 00	Mar 01	Jun 01	Sep 01	Dec 01	Mar 02	Jun 02
				A	SSETS						
Cash and deposits Cash and bank deposits Other deposit taking institutions	825 541 284	719 421 298	852 564 288	594 389 205	531 360 171	653 511 142	809 605 204	922 725 197	991 811 180	1,214 1,043 171	1,086 903 183
Loans and placements	1,898	1,992	2,018	1,742	1,795	1,630	1,594	1,698	1,762	1,801	1,794
Short term securities Bills of exchange Bank certificates of deposit Other short term securities	3,313 2,006 1,122 185	3,600 2,073 1,330 197	3,003 1,465 1,353 185	3,237 1,978 1,062 197	3,304 1,702 1,382 220	3,700 1,772 1,753 175	4,113 2,104 1,994 15	3,630 1,418 2,194 18	3,639 1,337 2,293 9	3,473 1,222 2,243 8	3,431 1,178 2,245 8
Long term securities Commonwealth government bonds State and local government securities Other long term securities	918 58 363 497	903 49 371 483	865 42 377 446	873 16 334 523	845 15 332 498	844 16 315 513	728 15 266 447	750 16 222 512	694 54 216 424	725 53 230 442	699 44 144 511
Equities and Units in trusts Private trading corporation shares Financial sector shares Units in trusts	715 232 370 113	722 239 375 108	716 213 387 116	667 214 341 112	630 228 324 78	658 170 428 60	669 283 360 26	708 285 330 93	652 203 336 113	662 201 335 126	696 192 380 124
Other financial assets	60	60	71	66	55	160	246	230	230	216	144
Non-financial assets Land and buildings Other non-financial assets	46 38	46 39	41 33	42	42	42	42	42 1	42	42	42
Total Assets in Australia	7,813	8,081	7,599	7,221	7,202	7,687	8,201	7,981	8,010	8,133	7,892
Assets overseas	40	41	23	-	2	2	2	22	45	48	49
TOTAL ASSETS of which:	7,853	8,122	7,622	7,221	7,204	7,689	8,203	8,003	8,055	8,181	7,941
Cash Funds Equity Funds Mortgage Funds Property Funds Other Funds	3,687 762 1,971 123 1,310	3,890 771 1,926 124 1,411	3,423 746 1,899 120 1,434	3,441 691 1,629 79 1,381	3,475 644 1,567 67 1,451	3,909 662 1,600 73 1,445	4,369 704 1,661 68 1,401	4,225 657 1,680 67 1,374	4,382 571 1,735 72 1,295	4,445 569 1,789 70 1,308	4,262 534 1,772 69 1,304
				LIAI	BILITIES						
Depositors' Funds Borrowings from Financial sector Other borrowings	7,853	8,122	7,622	7,221 - -	7,204 - -	7,689 - -	8,201 - -	8,001 - 2	8,054	8,181 - -	7,941 - -
Options and futures Other liabilities TOTAL LIABILITIES	7,853	8,122	7,622	7,221	7,204	7,689	8,203	8,003	8,055	- 8,181	7,941
				DEPOSITS ANI	O WITHDRAWAL						
Depositors' Funds at start of the period New deposits during quarter Other amounts credited during quarter Withdrawals during quarter Depositors' Funds at end of period	7,797 1,223 21 1,188 7,853	7,853 1,252 41 1,024 8,122	8,122 1,143 26 1,669 7,622	7,622 914 22 1,337 7,221	7,22 <i>I</i> 1,220 46 1,283 7,204	7,204 1,754 28 1,297 7,689	7,689 1,419 19 926 8,201	8,201 1,324 - 1,524 8,001	8,001 1,334 18 1,299 8,054	8,054 1,158 4 1,035 8,181	8,181 1,065 7 1,312 7,941

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

This publication presents statistics on the assets and liabilities of common funds at the end of each quarter. The statistics have been compiled from returns furnished by trustee companies (the managers of common funds) as part of the quarterly Survey of Financial Information.

Scope

Trustee companies manage all common funds. A trustee company is any company which is listed in the relevant State Trustee Companies Act.

Common funds were established in the early 1960s in accordance with appropriate State legislation to enable trustee companies to combine depositors' funds and other funds held in trust in an investment pool, and invest the funds in specific types of securities and/or assets.

Cash common and other types of common funds have the same investment strategy and economic functions as cash management trusts and public unit trusts. However they do not operate in the same manner, in that they do not issue units, nor do they necessarily issue prospectuses.

All the assets and liabilities of all common funds are within scope of the statistics in this publication. However cross-investment between common funds is excluded and data are presented on a consolidated basis.

Coverage

All common funds operating in Australia are included in the statistics in this publication. At the end of June 2002 there were 13 trustee companies operating 51 common funds throughout Australia.

Common funds can be further classified by their primary investment asset. The types of common funds covered in this publication are:

Cash funds - are limited by the provisions of the relevant Act or prospectus to invest in a limited class of investments which are short term in nature:

Equity funds - established to primarily invest in shares;

Mortgage funds - established to primarily invest in mortgages on real estate;

Property funds - established to primarily invest directly in property; and

Other funds - all other types of funds e.g. funds where the primary asset is interest bearing securities.

Basis of Valuation

Respondents to the ABS quarterly survey are requested to report assets and liabilities at market values.

Assets in Australia/overseas

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. A non-resident is any person, corporation or other entity 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 classified as non-resident.

Financial instruments

The classification of financial instruments in this publication follows that contained in the ABS publication, Australian National Accounts- Financial Accounts, Australia (5232.0). A definition of these instruments is contained in that publication.

Related publications

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

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Symbols and other usages

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