

Financial Sector (Collection of Data) (reporting standard) determination No. 27 of 2008

Reporting standard ARS 231.2 International Exposures: Locational Part 2

Financial Sector (Collection of Data) Act 2001

I, Wayne Stephen Byres, a delegate of APRA, under paragraph 13(1)(a) of the *Financial Sector (Collection of Data) Act 2001* (the Act) and subsection 33(3) of the *Acts Interpretation Act 1901*:

- REVOKE *Reporting Standard ARS 231.2 International Exposures: Locational Part 2* made by Financial Sector (Collection of Data) (reporting standard) determination No. 15 of 2006; and
- DETERMINE *Reporting Standard ARS 231.2 International Exposures: Locational Part 2* in the form set out in the Schedule, which applies to financial sector entities to the extent provided in paragraph 2 of the reporting standard.

Under section 15 of the Act, I DECLARE that the reporting standard shall begin to apply to those financial sector entities, and the revoked reporting standard shall cease to apply, on the later of 1 April 2008 and the date of registration of this instrument on the Federal Register of Legislative Instruments.

Dated 4th February 2008

[Signed]

Wayne Byres Executive General Manager Diversified Institutions Division

Interpretation

In this Determination

APRA means the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority.

Federal Register of Legislative Instruments means the register established under section 20 of the *Legislative Instruments Act 2003*.

Schedule

Reporting Standard ARS 231.2 International Exposures: Locational Part 2 comprises the 65 pages commencing on the following page.



Reporting Standard ARS 231.2

International Exposures: Locational Part 2

Objective of this reporting standard

This reporting standard is made under section 13 of the *Financial Sector* (*Collection of Data*) Act 2001 and outlines the overall requirements for the provision of information to APRA relating to an authorised deposit-taking institution's international exposures. It should be read in conjunction with:

- *Form ARF 231.2 Locational Data Part 2* and the instructions to that form (both of which are attached and form part of this reporting standard); and
- Reporting Standards ARS 231.1a International Exposures: Locational (Assets) Part 1 and ARS 231.1b International Exposures: Locational (Liabilities) Part 1.

Purpose

1. Data collected in *Form ARF 231.2 Locational Data Part 2* (Form ARF 231.2) provides information on the international exposures of Australian-owned banks, foreign subsidiary banks and branches of foreign banks and is acquired for the purposes of the Reserve Bank of Australia. It is also used to satisfy Australia's obligations to the Bank for International Settlements in providing aggregate international banking statistics for Australia, and may be used by APRA for prudential regulation purposes.

Application

2. This reporting standard applies to an authorised deposit-taking institution (**ADI**) as set out in the table below.

Class of ADI	Applicable
Australian-owned Bank	Yes
Foreign Subsidiary Bank	Yes
Branch of a Foreign Bank	Yes
Building Society	No
Credit Union	No
Specialist Credit Card Institution (SCCI)	No
Other ADI	No

Information required

3. An ADI to which this reporting standard applies must provide APRA with the information required by Form ARF 231.2 for each reporting period.

Form and method of submission

4. The information required by this reporting standard must be given to APRA in electronic form, using one of the electronic submission mechanisms provided by the 'Direct to APRA' (also known as 'D2A') application.

Note: the Direct to APRA application software may be obtained from APRA.

Reporting periods and due dates

- 5. Subject to paragraph 6, an ADI to which this reporting standard applies must provide the information required by this reporting standard for each quarter ending 30 September, 31 December, 31 March and 30 June.
- 6. APRA may, by notice in writing to a particular ADI, vary the timing of a reporting period for the ADI (to align it with the ADI's own financial year, within the meaning of the *Corporations Act 2001*) or vary the duration of a reporting period for the ADI.
- 7. The information required by this reporting standard must be provided to APRA by 20 business days after the end of the reporting period to which it relates.
- 8. APRA may grant an ADI an extension of a due date in writing, in which case the new due date for the provision of the information will be the date on the notice of extension.

Authorisation

- 9. All information provided by an ADI under this reporting standard must be subject to processes and controls developed by the ADI for the internal review and authorisation of that information. It is the responsibility of the board and senior management of the ADI to ensure that an appropriate set of policies and procedures for the authorisation of data submitted to APRA is in place.
- 10. If an ADI submits information under this reporting standard using the 'Direct to APRA' software, it will be necessary for an officer of the ADI to digitally sign, authorise and encrypt the relevant data. For this purpose, APRA's certificate authority will issue 'digital certificates', for use with the software, to officers of the ADI who have authority from the ADI to transmit the data to APRA.

Minor alterations to forms and instructions

11. APRA may make minor variations to:

- (a) a form that is part of this reporting standard, and the instructions to such a form, to correct technical, programming or logical errors, inconsistencies or anomalies; or
- (b) the instructions to a form, to clarify their application to the form

without changing any substantive requirement in the form or instructions.

12. If APRA makes such a variation it must notify in writing each ADI that is required to report under this reporting standard.

Transitional

13. An ADI must report under the old reporting standard in respect of a transitional reporting period. For these purposes:

old reporting standard means the reporting standard revoked in the determination making this reporting standard (being the reporting standard which this reporting standard replaces).

transitional reporting period means a reporting period under the old reporting standard:

- (a) which ended before the date of revocation of the old reporting standard; and
- (b) in relation to which the ADI was required, under the old reporting standard, to report by a date on or after the date of revocation of the old reporting standard.

Note: for the avoidance of doubt, if an ADI was required to report under an old reporting standard, and the reporting documents were due before the date of revocation of the old reporting standard, the ADI is still required to provide the overdue reporting documents in accordance with the old reporting standard.

Interpretation

14. In this reporting standard:

ADI means an authorised deposit-taking institution within the meaning of the Banking Act 1959.

APRA means the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority established under the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority Act 1998.

Australian-owned bank means a locally incorporated ADI that assumes or uses the word 'bank' in relation to its banking business and is not a foreign subsidiary bank.

branch of a foreign bank means a 'foreign ADI' as defined in section 5 of the *Banking Act 1959*, but does not include a SCCI that is a foreign ADI.

building society means a locally incorporated ADI that assumes or uses the expression 'building society' in relation to its banking business.

business days means ordinary business days, exclusive of Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays.

class of ADI means each of the following:

- (i) Australian-owned bank;
- (ii) foreign subsidiary bank;
- (iii) branch of a foreign bank;
- (iv) building society;
- (v) credit union;
- (vi) other ADI; and
- (vii) specialist credit card institution.

credit union means a locally incorporated ADI that assumes or uses the expression 'credit union' in relation to its banking business and includes Cairns Penny Savings & Loans Limited.

due date means the relevant due date under paragraph 7 or, if applicable, paragraph 8.

foreign subsidiary bank means a locally incorporated ADI in which a bank that is not locally incorporated has a stake of more than 15 per cent.

locally incorporated means incorporated in Australia or in a State or Territory of Australia, by or under a Commonwealth, State or territory law.

other ADI means an ADI that is not an Australian-owned bank, a branch of a foreign bank, a building society, a credit union, a foreign subsidiary bank or a specialist credit card institution does not include Cairns Penny Savings & Loans Limited.

reporting period means a period mentioned in paragraph 5 or, if applicable, paragraph 6.

specialist credit card institution means an ADI that is subject to a condition on its authority under section 9 of the *Banking Act 1959* confining the banking business that the ADI is authorised to carry on to the activities of credit card acquiring and credit card issuing in any credit card scheme that was designated as a payment system under section 11 of the *Payment Systems (Regulation) Act 1998* on 11 April 2001.

stake means a stake determined under the *Financial Sector (Shareholdings) Act 1998*, as if the only associates that were taken into account under paragraph (b) of subclause 10(1) of the Schedule to that Act were those set out in paragraphs (h), (j) and (l) of subclause 4(1).

ARF 231.2: Locational Data Part 2

Australian Busines	s Number	er Institution Name	
ABN:			
Reporting Period	_	Scale Factor	Reporting Consolidation
		Millions to Three decimal places	

POSITIONS VIS A VIS BANKS in AUD

Vis-à-vis country		o/w Related	o/w Official			o/w Related	o/w Official	
_		foreign	monetary			foreign	monetary	
	TOTAL	offices -	authorities -	o/w Other -	TOTAL	offices -	authorities -	o/w Other -
	ASSETS	assets	assets	assets	LIABILITIES	liabilities	liabilities	liabilities
Country List 2								
CS12320								

	TOTAL ASSETS	o/w Related foreign offices	o/w Official monetary authorities	o/w Other	TOTAL LIABILITIES	o/w Related foreign offices	o/w Official monetary authorities	o/w Other
Total					_			
Of which European Central Bk]

POSITIONS VIS A VIS BANKS in USD

Vis-à-vis country		o/w Related	o/w Official			o/w Related	o/w Official	
		foreign	monetary			foreign	monetary	
	TOTAL	offices -	authorities -	o/w Other -	TOTAL	offices -	authorities -	o/w Other -
	ASSETS	assets	assets	assets	LIABILITIES	liabilities	liabilities	liabilities
Country List 1								
CS12342								

	TOTAL ASSETS	o/w Related foreign offices	o/w Official monetary authorities	o/w Other	TOTAL LIABILITIES	o/w Related foreign offices	o/w Official monetary authorities	o/w Other
Total								
Of which			-					
European Central Bk]

POSITIONS VIS A VIS BANKS in EUR

Vis-à-vis country	TOTAL ASSETS	o/w Related foreign offices - assets	o/w Official monetary authorities - assets	o/w Other - assets	TOTAL LIABILITIES	o/w Related foreign offices - liabilities		o/w Other - liabilities
Country List 1								
CS12364								
		-						
	τοτοι	o/w Related	o/w Official		TOTAL	o/w Related	o/w Official	

	TOTAL ASSETS	foreign offices	monetary authorities	o/w Other	TOTAL LIABILITIES	foreign offices	monetary authorities	o/w Other
Total								
Of which								
European Central Bk]

POSITIONS VIS A VIS BANKS in JPY

Vis-à-vis country								
-		o/w Related	o/w Official			o/w Related	o/w Official	
		foreign	monetary			foreign	monetary	
	TOTAL	offices -	authorities -	o/w Other -	TOTAL	offices -	authorities -	o/w Other -
	ASSETS	assets	assets	assets	LIABILITIES	liabilities	liabilities	liabilities
Country List 1								
CS12386								

	TOTAL ASSETS	o/w Related foreign offices	o/w Official monetary authorities	o/w Other	TOTAL LIABILITIES	o/w Related foreign offices	o/w Official monetary authorities	o/w Other
Total								
Of which				_				_
European Central Bk								

POSITIONS VIS A VIS BANKS in GBP

Vis-à-vis country								
		o/w Related	o/w Official			o/w Related	o/w Official	
		foreign	monetary			foreign	monetary	
	TOTAL	offices -	authorities -	o/w Other -	TOTAL	offices -	authorities -	o/w Other -
	ASSETS	assets	assets	assets	LIABILITIES	liabilities	liabilities	liabilities
Country List 1								
CS12408								
-								

	TOTAL ASSETS	o/w Related foreign offices	o/w Official monetary authorities	o/w Other	TOTAL LIABILITIES	o/w Related foreign offices	o/w Official monetary authorities	o/w Other
Total								
Of which European Central Bk]]

POSITIONS VIS A VIS BANKS in CHF

Vis-à-vis country	TOTAL ASSETS	o/w Related foreign offices - assets	o/w Official monetary authorities - assets	o/w Other - assets	TOTAL LIABILITIES	o/w Related foreign offices - liabilities	o/w Other - liabilities
Country List 1							
CS12430							

	TOTAL ASSETS	o/w Related foreign offices	o/w Official monetary authorities	o/w Other	TOTAL LIABILITIES	o/w Related foreign offices	o/w Official monetary authorities	o/w Other
Total								
Of which								
European Central Bk								

POSITIONS VIS A VIS BANKS in NZD

Vis-à-vis country								
		o/w Related	o/w Official			o/w Related	o/w Official	
		foreign	monetary			foreign	monetary	
	TOTAL	offices -	authorities -	o/w Other -	TOTAL	offices -	authorities -	o/w Other -
	ASSETS	assets	assets	assets	LIABILITIES	liabilities	liabilities	liabilities
Country List 1								
CS12452								

	TOTAL ASSETS	o/w Related foreign offices	o/w Official monetary authorities	o/w Other	TOTAL LIABILITIES	o/w Related foreign offices	o/w Official monetary authorities	o/w Other
Total								
Of which		-			-			_
European Central Bk								

POSITIONS VIS A VIS BANKS in Other Currencies

Vis-à-vis country								
-		o/w Related	o/w Official			o/w Related	o/w Official	
		foreign	monetary			foreign	monetary	
	TOTAL	offices -	authorities -	o/w Other -	TOTAL	offices -	authorities -	o/w Other -
	ASSETS	assets	assets	assets	LIABILITIES	liabilities	liabilities	liabilities
Country List 1								
CS12474								

	TOTAL ASSETS	o/w Related foreign offices	o/w Official monetary authorities	o/w Other	TOTAL LIABILITIES	o/w Related foreign offices	o/w Official monetary authorities	o/w Other
Total								
Of which	-							_
European Central Bk								

POSITIONS VIS A VIS BANKS in ALL

in ALL CURRENCIES

	TOTAL ASSETS	o/w Related foreign offices - assets	o/w Official monetary authorities - assets	o/w Other - assets	TOTAL LIABILITIES	o/w Related foreign offices - liabilities	 o/w Other - liabilities
Grand total across all							
currencies and							
countries							

ARF 231 International Exposures

Instruction Guide

ARF 231 International Exposures has two purposes:

- to provide information on the international exposures of Australian-resident banks; and
- to satisfy Australia's obligation to the Bank for International Settlements (**BIS**) in providing aggregate international banking statistics for Australia. These are available, along with statistics from other countries, on its website (<u>http://www.bis.org/statistics/index.htm</u>).

The return has three parts:

- ARF 231.1 Locational Data Part 1 (ARF 231.1): collects data on international assets and liabilities broken down by currency, sector, and debtor country. This consists of 2 forms, ARF 231.1a Locational Data Part 1a: Assets (ARF 231.1a) and ARF 231.1b Locational Data Part 1b: Liabilities (ARF 231.1b);
- ARF 231.2 Locational Data Part 2 (ARF 231.2): collects a similar range of information as above, but regroups the data differently; and
- ARF 231.3 Consolidated Data (ARF 231.3): covers consolidated international assets broken down by maturity, sector and debtor country. This consists of 2 forms, ARF 231.3a Consolidated Data Domestic Entity: Immediate and Ultimate Risk Exposures (ARF 231.3a) and ARF 231.3b Immediate and Ultimate Risk Exposures Foreign Entity (ARF 231.3b).

This Instruction Guide is intended to assist in the completion of the ARF 231 series and is based on the BIS "Guide to the international banking statistics" July 2000. Reporting entities are encouraged to consult the BIS Guide for a fuller discussion of the rationale for, and uses of, the international banking statistics (http://www.bis.org/publ/meth07.htm).

General directions and notes

Reporting entity

These forms are to be completed by all locally incorporated banks and foreign authorised deposit-taking institutions (**ADIs**).

The basis of consolidation required in ARF 231.3 is in accordance with the accounting consolidated group. The accounting consolidated group is to be determined in accordance with the requirements of the Australian accounting standards, notably AASB 127 Consolidated and Separate Financial Statements (AASB 127) and AASB 3 Business Combinations (AASB 3).

Exclude from the accounting consolidated group special purpose vehicles (**SPVs**) whose assets have satisfied the clean sale requirements set down in *Prudential Standard APS 120 Securitisation* (**APS 120**) (refer to Securitisation deconsolidation principle).

Securitisation deconsolidation principle

Except as otherwise specified in these instructions, the following applies:

- 1. Where an ADI (or a member of its Level 2 consolidated group) participates in a securitisation that meets APRA's operational requirements for regulatory capital relief under **APS 120:**
 - (a) special purpose vehicles (**SPVs**) holding securitised assets may be treated as non-consolidated independent third parties for regulatory reporting purposes, irrespective of whether the SPVs (or their assets) are consolidated for accounting purposes;
 - (b) the assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses of the relevant SPVs may be excluded from the ADI's reported amounts in APRA's regulatory reporting returns; and
 - (c) the underlying exposures (i.e. the pool) under such a securitisation may be excluded from the calculation of the ADI's regulatory capital (refer to APS 120). However, the ADI must still hold regulatory capital for the securitisation exposures¹ that it retains or acquires and such exposures are to be reported in *Form ARF 120.0 Standardised Securitisation* or *Forms ARF 120.1A* to *ARF 120.1C IRB Securitisation* (as appropriate). The RWA relating to such securitisation exposures must also be reported in *Form ARF 110.0 Capital Adequacy* (ARF 110.0).
- 2. Where an ADI (or a member of its Level 2 consolidated group) participates in a securitisation that does not meet APRA's operational requirements for regulatory capital relief under APS 120, or the ADI elects to treat the securitised assets as on-balance sheet assets under *Prudential Standard APS 112 Capital Adequacy: Standardised Approach to Credit Risk* or *Prudential Standard APS*

¹ Securitisation exposures are defined in accordance with APS 120.

113 Capital Adequacy: Internal Ratings-based Approach to Credit Risk, such exposures are to be reported as on-balance sheet assets in APRA's regulatory reporting returns. In addition, these exposures must also be reported as a part of the ADI's total securitised assets within Form ARF 120.2 Securitisation – Supplementary Items.

Reporting period

The three parts of the return should be completed jointly as at the last day of the stated quarter (i.e. March, June, September and December). Locally incorporated banks and foreign ADIs should submit the completed return to APRA within 20 business days after the end of the relevant reporting quarter.

Unit of measurement

All banks are to complete the return in AUD millions to three (3) decimal places (with the data formatted to the nearest million).

Valuation and currency conversion

Assets and liabilities denominated in currencies other than AUD are to be converted to AUD using the mid-point rate (of market buying and selling spot quotations) effective as at the close of reporting date.

Reporting entities are free to use those AUD exchange rates that it judges to be a representative closing mid-market rate as at the reporting date. However, to ensure consistency across related returns and to assist in the reconciliation between these returns, reporting entities should attempt to use the same exchange rates across all returns to APRA and the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS). Particular attention should be given to the following returns:

- ABS Form 90 Survey of International Investment
- ARF 231.1/2/3 International Exposures
- ARF 320.0 Statement of Financial Position
- ARF 321.0 Statement of Financial Position (Offshore Operations)
- ARF 325.0 International Operations
- ARF 326.0 Offshore Banking Unit

The main AUD exchange rates that are used throughout the ARF 231 series are to be reported in ARF 231.2 (refer to section 3.6.1).

Note: for the major currencies, reporting entities may want to use the exchange rates available in the Reserve Bank of Australia (**RBA**) *Bulletin* (Table F.11), which are also available on the RBA website: <u>http://www.rba.gov.au/Statistics/Bulletin/F11hist.xls</u>

Prior to the June 2002 *Bulletin*, refer to Table F10 for exchange rates.

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1. ARF 231 International Exposures

1. General instructions

1.1 Background

The BIS publishes two different sets of quarterly international banking data, both based on information provided by creditor banks. They are the locational and consolidated banking statistics. The key features of the two data sets are below.

- The locational banking statistics (i.e. ARF 231.1 and ARF 231.2) collect data on the gross (i.e. unconsolidated) international financial claims (assets) and liabilities of the banks resident in a given country. The key concept here is the residence (or "location") of the reporting entity. The main purpose of the statistics is to provide information on the role of banks and financial centres in the intermediation of international capital flows. The key organisational criteria are:
 - the country of residence of the reporting entities and their counterparties; and
 - the recording of all positions on a gross basis, including those vis-a-vis own affiliates.

This methodology is consistent with the principles underlying the compilation of national accounts, balance of payments and external debt statistics.

• The consolidated banking statistics (i.e. ARF 231.3) collects data on international on-balance sheet (and selected off-balance sheet) financial claims (i.e. contractual lending) of banks vis-à-vis the rest of the world and provides a measure of the risk exposure of lenders' national banking systems. The data mainly cover contractual lending by the head office and all its branches and subsidiaries on a global consolidated basis, net of inter-office accounts. Presenting lending in this way allows the allocation of claims to the reporting entity that would bear the losses as a result of default by borrowers. These statistics also provide information on the maturity (i.e. liquidity) and sector risk distribution of reporting entities' contractual lending.

Further, to reflect the fact that reporting entities' country risk exposures can differ substantially from that of contractual lending due to the use of risk mitigants, such as guarantees and collateral, reporting countries also provide information on claims on an ultimate risk basis (i.e. contractual claims net of guarantees and collateral).

The key difference between the two sets of BIS banking data is based upon the concept of residency. Locational data show the claims and liabilities of all reporting entities located in a reporting country vis-à-vis entities located in other countries. Consolidated data show the total claims of a reporting entity groups' global offices (domestic and foreign) on entities located in foreign countries. Claims between offices of the same entity group are netted out.

These differences are highlighted in an example (Figure 1). ABC Bank (headquartered in Sydney) has lent \$10 million to a company located in France routed via its branch office in London.

Figure 1: Flow of funds and BIS locational and consolidated banking data



The implications of this transaction for the BIS data are as follows:

Locational data:

- Australian resident reporting entities (i.e. ABC Bank, Sydney) will report \$10 million increase in locational claims on UK resident banks (i.e. ABC Bank, London)
- UK resident banks (i.e. ABC Bank, London) will report \$10 million increase in locational claims on a non-bank entity resident in France.

Consolidated data:

• Australian resident reporting entities (i.e. ABC Bank, Sydney) will report \$10 million increase in consolidated claims on a non-bank entity resident in France.

1.2 Country listing

Each of the three returns contains an alphabetical listing of countries that allows a reporting entity's claims (assets) and liabilities to be allocated to the respective country.

Also listed are several regional residual entries (e.g. "Residual Asia", "Residual Europe" etc). If a reporting entity has an exposure or liability to a country not already listed, allocate the data to the relevant "Residual" entry. If this is not possible either, the data should be assigned to the "Unallocated" item.

Note that "United Kingdom U1" refers to the United Kingdom excluding Jersey, Guernsey and the Isle of Man. As Jersey, Guernsey and the Isle of Man appear as separate entries in the country listing, reporting entities should provide UK data on the "United Kingdom U1" basis to avoid double counting (i.e. list exposures to United Kingdom U1 and to each of the three islands). A reporting entity unable to provide separate data (for United Kingdom U1 and each of the three islands) should still allocate the sum of these exposures to "United Kingdom U1". Reporting entities should not enter any data in the memo item "United Kingdom GB" as this is automatically calculated as United Kingdom U1 plus Jersey plus Guernsey plus the Isle of Man.

Appendix 1 contains a list of countries with information as to the extra jurisdictions/territories covered by each country name. For example, claims vis-à-vis France should also include data for Monaco.

1.3 Resident/non-resident

The criterion for residency is whether a banking, non-bank or official monetary sector entity is permanently located, physically and/or by way of law or registration, inside or outside a country's borders.

Foreign branches or subsidiaries of Australian institutions are classified as "nonresidents" (making them residents of the country in which they operate), while branches or subsidiaries of foreign institutions operating in Australia are classified as "residents".

1.4 Unallocated amounts

If a detailed vis-à-vis breakdown for a return is not available, but a figure for the grand total can be reported, this figure should instead be allocated in the relevant return under "Unallocated – 5M" (which in turn feeds into "Total – 3P"). For example, to report only one figure for issues of debt securities (liabilities), allocate this figure to 5M in the worksheet "international issues of debt securities". Note that this figure will also automatically be included in 5M (and therefore 3P) for "total international liabilities".

1.5 Zero and null values

Relevant cells should be left blank if data are zero or unavailable.

1.6 Colour-coded fields

Grey areas:

• These fields are not to be updated manually. They sum data from other columns/rows of the return and hence will update automatically once the underlying data are updated.

Black areas:

• These fields are not to be updated. For example, in ARF 231.1, Australia appears in the country listing. However, areas relating to AUD data for Australia have been blacked-out as such positions are not international exposures.

2. ARF 231.1 Locational Data Part 1

2.1 Background

ARF 231.1 captures a reporting entity's non-consolidated (i.e. gross) on-balance sheet international assets and liabilities plus off-balance sheet trustee business.

2.2 How to update the return

For each column not shaded grey, enter the entity's exposure or liability to each country in the country listing, in AUD amounts. Particular sections that may be of guidance are listed below:

- for a discussion of the concept of "locational" data, refer to section 1.1;
- regarding which entities are to report, refer to section 2.3;
- regarding the type of data to be included, refer to section 2.4;
- regarding exchange rates and the conversion of non-AUD positions into AUD, refer to page 2 'valuation and currency conversion';
- regarding the memo items to be reported, refer to section 2.8; and
- for a description of the columns in the return, refer to section 2.9.

2.3 Which entities are to report locational data

ARF 231.1 and ARF 231.2 are to be completed by all banks resident in Australia, i.e. both domestic and foreign-owned banks in Australia are to record their positions on a gross (unconsolidated) basis, including those vis-à-vis own affiliates (branches, subsidiaries, joint ventures).

Data are to be supplied on the positions on the Australian books of the Australian reporting entity (i.e. whereby the accounts of related foreign institutions are not consolidated). Reporting entities should include transactions between any branches in Australia to the extent that these transactions are denominated in non-AUD currencies.

2.4 Business to be reported

The main items, to be reported separately, are

- loans and deposits, securities and other assets and liabilities vis-à-vis non-residents in all currencies (i.e. AUD and foreign currencies); and
- loans and deposits, securities and other assets and liabilities vis-à-vis residents in foreign currency.

The principal balance sheet items to be included as claims (i.e. assets) are deposits and balances placed with banks, loans and advances to banks and non-banks and holdings of securities.

On the liabilities side, the data should mainly relate to deposits and loans received from banks and non-banks. Also, funds received and invested on a trust basis in reporting entities' own names (even if they are booked off-balance sheet, refer to also section 2.4.2) and the reporting entities' own issues of securities in the international markets (even if they are not booked as foreign liabilities) should be reported as international banking business (refer to also section 2.4.4).

Loans should comprise those financial assets that are created through the lending of funds by a creditor (lender) to a debtor (borrower) and that are not represented by negotiable securities. Deposits should comprise all claims reflecting evidence of deposit - including non-negotiable certificates of deposit - that are not represented by negotiable securities. Thus, loans and deposits should include interbank borrowings, loans and inter-office balances.

Special types of loans to be classified in the category "loans and deposits" are foreign trade-related credits (refer to section 2.4.1 below) and international loans received and granted and deposits received and made on a trust basis (refer to section 2.4.2 below).

Sale and repurchase transactions (repos) involving the sale of assets (e.g. securities and gold) with a commitment to repurchase the same or similar assets, financial leases, promissory notes, non-negotiable debt securities, endorsement liabilities arising from bills rediscounted abroad and subordinated loans (including subordinated non-negotiable debt securities) should also be included as loans and deposits. Borrowing and lending of securities and gold without cash collateral should not be reported as international banking business. The reporting of negative_positions is accepted in those cases where it is the result of the short selling of securities acquired in the context of repo or bond lending transactions.

Reporting entities' holdings of international notes and coin that are in circulation and commonly used to make payments should be recorded as claims in the form of loans and deposits. Loans that have become negotiable de facto should be classified under debt securities consistent with SNA (UN System of National Accounts) guidelines.

Note: Multi-currency loans should be classified according to the currency in which the repayment obligation exists. This would normally be the same currency in which the drawings are made.

2.4.1 Foreign trade-related credit

Foreign trade-related credits mainly occur in one of two forms: as buyers' credits or as suppliers' credits. A buyer's credit is granted directly by a reporting entity to a foreign importer and therefore represents an external asset that should be included in the locational statistics.

In contrast, a supplier's credit is granted directly by a reporting entity to a domestic exporter. However, this credit may be extended on the basis of a trade bill that is drawn by the exporter on the importer and subsequently acquired by

the reporting entity. These credits may therefore be treated as external or domestic assets depending on whether the residency of the drawee (who is the final debtor) or of the presenter of the bill (who has guaranteed payment by endorsing the bill) is used as the criterion for geographical allocation.

For the purposes of the locational banking statistics, it is recommended that suppliers' credits be allocated according to the residence of the drawee of the relevant trade bills, as the drawee is the final recipient of the credit extended.

Reporting entities may acquire external trade bills "à forfait" and "en pension". An "à forfait" purchase is an outright purchase that absolves the seller/presenter of the bills from any obligation should the drawee fail to honour the bill when it matures. When the drawee is a non-resident, such bills should similarly be considered to be external assets, irrespective of the residence of the presenter.

An "en pension" acquisition involves a reporting entity purchasing a foreign trade bill under a sale and repurchase agreement with the domestic exporter whereby the reporting entity must or may return the bill to the exporter on, or prior to, the maturity date. If the return of the bill is optional, the bill is recorded in the balance sheet of the purchaser as a claim on the drawee. If the bill must be returned, the instrument remains in the balance sheet of the seller and the transaction can be regarded as an advance to the domestic exporter that should not be included in the locational statistics as a foreign asset.

2.4.2 Trustee business

Funds received by reporting entities from non-residents in any currency or from residents in foreign currency on a trust basis represent international liabilities that fall into the category of loans and deposits. Funds on-lent or deposited on a trust basis in reporting entities' own name, but on behalf of third parties, with non-residents in any currency or with residents in foreign currency, represent international assets which also fall into the category of loans and deposits. In addition, international securities issued by reporting entities in their own name but on behalf of third parties, or funds invested on a trust basis in international securities and held in the reporting entities' own name but on behalf of third parties, represent international assets and liabilities that should be included in the categories of "debt securities" and "other" assets and liabilities as described below.

Note: Trustee business does not refer to unit trusts.

2.4.3 Holdings of debt securities

Reporting entities' holdings of international debt securities are defined as comprising:

- all negotiable short- and long-term debt instruments (including negotiable certificates of deposit, but excluding equity shares, investment fund units and warrants) in AUD and foreign currency issued by non-residents; and
- all such instruments in foreign currency issued by residents.

Also included are those international debt securities held in their own name but on behalf of third parties as part of trustee business. Debt securities held on a purely custodial basis for customers and debt securities acquired in the context of securities lending transactions without cash collateral should not be included in the data on holdings of debt securities. It is recognised that the borrowing of securities that are subsequently sold to third parties may result in negative holdings of securities.

2.4.4 Own issues of international debt securities

Reporting entities' own issues of international debt securities are defined as comprising all negotiable short - and long-term debt securities (including subordinated issues and issues in their own name but on behalf of third parties) in AUD issued abroad and all issues in foreign currency. The classification as international debt securities is determined by the place, currency and method of issue rather than the residence of the issuer as in the case of reporting entities' holdings of debt securities. The reason for using such a criterion is the difficulty of determining the residence of the current holder of a negotiable instrument.²

Data on reporting entities' own issues of international debt securities should be included in their geographically allocated international liabilities if the residence of current holders of own issues of securities is known to the issuing entity.

2.4.5 Derivative contracts

Include all derivatives entered into after adoption of International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) consistent with the classification and measurement basis used for derivatives by institutions in accordance with AASB 132 Financial Instruments: Disclosure and Presentation, AASB 7 Financial Instruments: Disclosures and AASB 139 Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement (AASB 139). Derivative financial instruments in existence prior to adoption of IFRS are to be reported in accordance with AASB 1 First-time Adoption of Australian Equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards.

Derivative contracts are reflected in the on-balance sheet positions of reporting entities under IFRS (e.g. assets and liabilities arising from currency swaps, cash margins in connection with futures and fair values of option contracts). For the purposes of this return (as well as ARF 231.2) derivatives that are recorded on-balance sheet be included at fair values under "other assets and liabilities" as appropriate (refer to also Section 4.8.2, which applies to ARF 231.3).

² It should be recognised that this practice has certain shortcomings. On the one hand, part of the securities denominated in AUD and issued abroad may be purchased by residents and therefore not represent international liabilities. On the other hand, part of the securities denominated in AUD and issued at home may be purchased by non-residents and therefore represent foreign liabilities which should be, but are not, included in the data on cross-border positions.

2.4.6 Other assets and liabilities

Other international assets and liabilities mainly comprise, on the assets side, equity shares (including mutual and investment fund units and holdings of shares in a reporting entity's own name but on behalf of third parties), participations, derivative contracts and working capital supplied by head offices to their branches abroad.

On the liabilities side they include derivative contracts and working capital received by local branches from their head offices abroad. Accrued interest and items in the course of collection also fall into this category.

2.5 Sectoral breakdown

International positions in ARF 231.1 are to be reported vis-à-vis "All" counterparties and vis-à-vis "Non-bank" counterparties. The two are therefore not additive but rather the latter is a "of which" component of the former. International positions vis-à-vis "bank" counterparties are to be reported in ARF 231.2.

Reporting entities should use the definition used in the country where the counterparty is located (home country) to determine whether a counterparty is a bank or not.³ If this is not possible, reporting entities should use their own knowledge and readily available works of reference (e.g. banking almanacs).

Table 1 lists certain bank and non-bank entities and their treatment in ARF 231.1 (and ARF 231.2).

Entity			Bank	Non-Bank
Official	Monetary	Authorities	\checkmark	-
(e.g. RBA, th	ne Fed, BOJ)			
International	Organisations		Either bank or non-bar organisation; refer to Ap	1 0
Publicly (other than b	Trading anks)	Enterprises	-	\checkmark

 Table 1: ARF 231.1/2 Locational Data – reporting basis

All positions (AUD and foreign currency-denominated) vis-a-vis a country's official monetary authority should be listed under the country itself as a claim/liability on a bank, and again listed and aggregated under the memo item "official monetary authorities". For example, a claim vis-a-vis the Bank of Japan should be included

³ Using the home country definition reduces the likelihood of discrepancies in bilateral interbank data compiled from debtor and creditor sources. For example, if the home country criterion is used, a claim on a bank in country A reported by a bank in country B will be reported as a liability to a bank in country B by the bank in country A even if the bank in country B is regarded as a non-bank according to the definition of country A. An alternative method to determine whether a counterparty is a bank or not is to use the "reporting country" definition (the definition of a bank used in the country of location of the reporting bank, i.e. Australia). However, were a reporting country definition to be used by both countries to determine the sectoral classification of the counterparty, the two positions would be treated as interbank assets and liabilities only if the two countries define both institutions as banks. In order to avoid bilateral asymmetries, applying the home country definition is, therefore, the recommended method for the sectoral breakdown in the locational statistics.

with claims on Japan and again under official monetary authorities (together with all other claims on official monetary authorities).

Non-AUD positions vis-a-vis the RBA should be similarly treated (with the data, of course, listed under "Australia"). AUD positions vis-à-vis the RBA are not to be reported.

The BIS and the ECB (European Central Bank) are classed as official monetary authorities and positions vis-à-vis these banks should be listed under Switzerland and Germany, respectively.

All international organisations should be aggregated and listed under the "international organisations" entry in the country listing; they should not be assigned to the country of residence of the institution. With respect to international organisations, consult Appendix 2; all organisations shown in italics (e.g. the International Monetary Fund (**IMF**)) should be classified as banks, all others should be classified as non-banks. (ARF 231.3 has a different treatment, refer to section 4.10).

2.6 Netting of assets and liabilities

International assets and liabilities should in principle be reported on a gross basis in the locational banking statistics. In other words, reporting entities assets and liabilities vis-à-vis the same counterparty should be reported separately, not netted one against the other.

2.7 Valuation

Assets and liabilities should be measured in accordance with Australian accounting standards.

Note: International financial claims should be reported gross of specific provisions and General Reserve for Credit Losses as defined by *Prudential Standard APS 220 Credit Quality*. Provisions and reserves are not to be included in the ARF 231 series.

When reporting the data, reporting entities should also ensure that all figures be prepared in accordance with applicable Australian accounting principles.

2.8 Memo items

While not included in the actual return, information is requested from reporting entities on several memo items (refer to below). Reporting entities are requested to provide such information only if the data is readily available. Reporting entities are free to provide the data to APRA in any form/design they choose (Excel, Word, etc) and they should be submitted at the same time as the ARF 231 series is submitted.

2.8.1 Valuation changes due to revaluations at market prices

Additional information is needed if adequate proxies for flows are to be calculated from data on changes of amounts outstanding at market prices. For this reason, valuation changes due to revaluations at market prices are to be reported separately as memorandum items, with the currency, sector and country being given, even if only partial information is available.

2.8.2 Arrears of interest and principal

Until they are written off, interest in arrears on international claims and principal in arrears (including capitalised interest) should be included in the data on international assets. If they are not, i.e. if interest or principal in arrears is placed in special (suspense) accounts which are not included in the reported data on international assets and liabilities, the relevant amounts should be reported separately as memorandum items, with the currency, sector and country being given, even if only partial information is available.

2.8.3 Write-offs of claims and debt forgiveness

Although an asset that has been written off may still be a legally enforceable claim, it is recommended that items that have been written off be excluded from the reported data. This is because the process of writing-off can be seen as reflecting the judgment that the current or prospective price of the claim is zero. Write-offs of international claims (including capitalised interest and interest booked on special suspense accounts) should be reported separately as memorandum items, with the currency, sector and country being given, even if only partial information is available. The same reporting is recommended for reductions in claims due to debt forgiveness, i.e. cancellations of claims via contractual arrangements between debtors and creditors.

As data on international banking flows are generally derived from changes in amounts outstanding, the above-mentioned memorandum items are needed to compute valuation adjusted changes either by adding amounts that represent additional bank lending (arrears of interest) or by eliminating reductions that do not represent repayments of bank lending (provisions and write-offs of capital).

2.9 Column descriptions

Part 1 of the locational data are reported in ARF 231.1a for claims (assets) and *ARF* 231.1b for liabilities. There are eight worksheets where claims and liabilities should be reported by the currency in which they are denominated. These worksheets are titled: AUD, USD, EUR, JPY, GBP, CHF, NZD, and Other. There is also another worksheet titled Total, which sums data from other sections of the return and should not be updated manually.

Note: non-AUD foreign currency-denominated amounts should be converted to AUD amounts using the appropriate exchange rate.

General column descriptions are below:

Column 1 – Country listing

This column is an alphabetical listing of countries. Claims and liabilities should be allocated to the respective country. If there is an exposure or liability to a country not already listed, refer to section 1.2 for further instructions.

Only foreign currency assets and liabilities to Australian residents should be allocated next to "Australia". Do not report any AUD positions vis-à-vis "Australia" as these are not international/foreign in nature; the relevant areas have been shaded black accordingly.

Column 2 to 7 – Claims

Columns 2 to 7 in the worksheets in ARF 231.1a relate to international claims, classified either as 'loans and advances', 'holdings of debt securities', or 'other assets'. These claims are further broken down into 'claims on all counter parties' and 'claims on non-bank counter parties'.

Column 2 to 7 – Liabilities

Columns 2 to 7 in the worksheets in ARF 231.1b relate to international liabilities, classified either as 'deposits', 'own issues of debt securities', or 'other liabilities'. These liabilities are further broken down into 'liabilities to all counter parties' and 'liabilities to non-bank counter parties'.

Column 8 to 9 – Claims

Columns 8 to 9 in the worksheets in ARF 231.1a relate to total international claims, classified as claims on all counter parties and claims on non-bank counter parties. Do not manually update these columns as they contain formulas that sum data from the previous 2 to 7 columns.

Column 8 to 9 – Liabilities

Columns 8 to 9 in the worksheets in ARF 231.1b relate to total international liabilities, classified as liabilities to all counter parties and liabilities to non-bank counter parties. Do not manually update these columns as they contain formulas that sum data from the previous 2 to 7 columns.

3. ARF 231.2 Locational Data Part 2

3.1 Background

In ARF 231.2, reporting entities are asked to regroup the locational assets and liabilities data reported in ARF 231.1, providing a different sectoral breakdown.

When preparing Australia-wide data to provide to the BIS, data from individual reporting entities will be allocated to the country of incorporation or charter of the parent (refer to 3.4 below). For this reason, reporting entities are asked to provide information on the nationality of their parent.

3.2 How to update the return

For each column not shaded in grey, enter the exposure or liability to each country in the country listing, in AUD amounts. Particular sections that may be of guidance are listed below:

- regarding which entities have to report and the basis of reporting, refer to section 2.3;
- regarding the type of data to be included, refer to section 2.4;
- regarding the treatment of bank and non-bank entities, refer to section 2.5;
- regarding exchange rates and the conversion of non-AUD positions into AUD, refer to page 2 'valuation and currency conversion';
- regarding the memo items to be reported, refer to section 3.6; and
- for a description of the columns in the return, refer to section 3.7.

3.3 Consistency with ARF 231.1

In ARF 231.2, reporting entities are asked to regroup the locational assets and liabilities data reported in ARF 231.1, by presenting positions vis-à-vis banks, rather than non-banks and all counter parties.

As with ARF 231.1, data is to be reported in ARF 231.2 on the positions on the Australian books of the Australian resident entity (i.e. whereby the accounts of related foreign institutions are not consolidated). Reporting entities should include transactions between any branches in Australia to the extent that these transactions are denominated in non-AUD currencies.

3.4 Nationality classification

In the return, reporting entities are asked to select the country in which its ultimate parent entity is incorporated or chartered. For this purpose, a controlling interest may be assumed to exist if a participation exceeds 50 per cent of the subscribed capital of a reporting entity. In the case of indirect ownership it is recommended that foreign-owned reporting entities be classified by nationality of the final owner.

If the reporting entity is the ultimate parent entity, then for the purposes of ARF 231.2, the country of parent entity is Australia.

Consortiums are joint ventures in which no single owner has a controlling interest and, as such, no clear sole ultimate parent entity. In such cases, the consortium's "parent" is to be allocated to their own separate 'country' group (Country: "Consortium bank").

3.5 Data to be reported

The types of assets and liabilities to be included in this return should be the same as those in the ordinary locational statistics (ARF 231.1, refer to section 2.4).

3.6 Memo items

While not included in the return (except for the memo item relating to exchange rates, refer to section 3.6.1), information is requested on several memo items (refer to below). Reporting entities are requested to provide such information only if the data is readily available. Reporting entities are free to provide the data to APRA in any form/design they choose (Excel, Word, etc) and they should be submitted at the same time as ARF 231 is submitted.

As with ARF 231.1, data are requested for several memo items relating to:

- valuation changes due to revaluations at market prices;
- arrears of interest and principal; and
- write-offs & debt forgiveness.

Refer to section 2.8 for further information on these memo items.

3.6.1 Exchange rates

The major exchange rates used to convert non-AUD amounts to AUD in the ARF 231 series are to be reported in this memo item.

This information is used to assess the variability in the major exchange rates used by different reporting entities.

Note: Report exchange rates as units of foreign currency per 1 Australian dollar. For example, 0.5555 US dollars buys 1 Australian dollar).

3.7 Column descriptions

Part 2 of the locational data are reported in ARF 231.2. There are eight worksheets where claims and liabilities should be reported by the currency in which they are denominated. These worksheets are titled: AUD, USD, EUR, JPY, GBP, CHF, NZD, and Other. There is also another worksheet titled Total, which sums data from other sections of the return and should not be updated manually.

Note: Non-AUD foreign currency-denominated amounts should be converted to AUD

amounts using the appropriate exchange rate.

General column descriptions are below:

Columns 1 – Country listing

This column is an alphabetical listing of countries. Your claims and liabilities should be allocated to the respective country. If you have an exposure or liability to a country not already listed refer to section 1.2 for further instructions.

Only foreign currency assets and liabilities to Australian residents should be allocated next to "Australia". Do not report any AUD positions vis-à-vis "Australia" as these are not international/foreign in nature; the relevant areas have been shaded black accordingly.

Columns 2 to 5 – Assets

Columns 2 to 5 in the worksheets in ARF 231.2 relate to international assets of the reporting entity vis-à-vis banks. The columns in each worksheet report assets in the following way:

- Positions vis-à-vis banks total assets (column 2);
- Positions vis-à-vis banks *of which* related foreign offices (column 3);
- Positions vis-à-vis banks *of which* official monetary authorities (column 4); and
- Positions vis-à-vis banks *of which* other (column 5).

Do not manually update column 2 (total assets) as this is the sum of data from the following 3 columns.

Column 6 to 9 – Liabilities

Columns 6 to 9 in the worksheets in ARF 231.2 relate to international liabilities of the reporting entity vis-à-vis banks. The columns in each worksheet report liabilities in the following way:

- Positions vis-à-vis banks total liabilities (column 6);
- Positions vis-à-vis banks *of which* related foreign offices (column 7);
- Positions vis-à-vis banks *of which* official monetary authorities (column 8);
- Positions vis-à-vis banks *of which* other (column 9).

Do not manually update column 6 (total liabilities) as this is the sum of data from the following 3 columns.

4. ARF 231.3 Consolidated Data

4.1 Background

ARF 231.3 captures a reporting entity's consolidated international financial claims broken down by the remaining maturity and the sector of borrower. In addition, they include information on exposures by country of immediate borrower and on the reallocation of claims (i.e. risk transfers) to the country of ultimate risk. The latter is defined as the country where the guarantor of a claim resides (refer to section 4.8.1 below).

The data mainly cover claims reported by domestic entity head offices, including the exposures of their foreign affiliates, and are collected on a global consolidated basis (i.e. with inter-office positions being netted out).

The above paragraphs relate to domestic reporting entities. They are also applicable to foreign reporting entities except that data sought from foreign reporting entities is on an unconsolidated basis.

4.2 How to update the return

For each column in the return not shaded grey, enter your consolidated exposure to each country in the country listing, in AUD amounts. Particular sections that may be of guidance are listed below:

- For a discussion of the concept of "consolidated" data, refer to section 1.1;
- regarding which entities have to report, refer to section 4.3;
- regarding the type of data to be included, refer to section 2.4 except that no positions on an immediate borrower basis vis-à-vis Australia are to be reported (refer to section 4.7);
- regarding exchange rates and the conversion of non-AUD positions into AUD, refer to page 2 'valuations and currency conversion';
- regarding the memo items to be updated, refer to section 4.13; and
- for a description of the columns in the return, refer to section 4.14.

4.3 Which entities are to report consolidated data

As with the locational data, ARF 231.3 is to be completed by all reporting entities operating in Australia (i.e. Australian residents). However, reporting entities will report different parts of ARF 231.3 depending on whether they are domestic (i.e. Australian-owned) or whether they are a subsidiary or branch of a foreign institution (i.e. foreign-owned). "Domestic" entities report in ARF 231.3a, while "foreign" entities report in ARF 231.3b.

Table 2 summarises the reporting requirements for each different entity type.

Entity Type	Consolidated or Non-Consolidated	Claims on an Immediate Borrower Basis	Claims on an Ultimate Risk Basis	Risk Transfers	Local Currency Positions of Foreign Affiliates with local residents
1. Domestic owned	Consolidated	\checkmark	\checkmark	✓	\checkmark
2. Foreign owned	Non-Consolidated	~	~	✓	-

Data should be provided by reporting entities on their on-balance sheet financial claims on an:

- immediate borrower basis (i.e. allocated to the country where the original risk lies). This is done in the worksheets 'By maturity', 'By sector', and 'Risk transfer'.
- country of ultimate risk basis (i.e. allocated to the country where the guarantor of a claim resides). This is done in the worksheets 'Ultimate risk, and 'Derivative contracts'.

Data are also sought on risk transfers, where claims are reallocated from the country of immediate borrower to the country of ultimate risk.

4.4 Domestic entities (Australian-owned)

Reporting basis:

• Consolidated.

Types of business to report:

- Report consolidated data on cross-border on-balance sheet financial claims of their offices worldwide and the claims of their foreign affiliates on residents of the countries where the affiliates are located.
- As in the locational banking statistics, the principal items are deposits and balances placed with banks, loans and advances to banks and non-banks, and holdings of securities and other assets.

The data should be reported in ARF 231.3a on a consolidated immediate borrower basis in the worksheets: 'By maturity'; 'By sector'; and 'Risk transfers'. The data should be reported on a consolidated ultimate risk basis in the worksheets: 'Ultimate risk'; and 'Derivative contracts'. That is, claims between different offices of the same institution (e.g. between a reporting entity that is the Australian head office and its subsidiary in New Zealand) should be netted out, and the positions should be allocated to the country where the final risk lies.

Australian-owned reporting entities should also provide a breakdown between crossborder claims of all their offices on the one hand (column 7 in the worksheet 'Ultimate risk') and local claims of their foreign offices on the other (column 8 in the same worksheet). If reporting entities face difficulties reporting this distinction it is recommended that it be estimated on a best effort basis.

The return should cover the activities of all offices and certain subsidiaries (refer to section 4.4.1, below) of the reporting entity, whether within or outside Australia and should comprise all balance sheet items, which represent claims on other individual countries.

The consolidated reporting should capture the following types of claims:

A. Australian offices' claims on non-residents in AUD or other currencies.

For example, any claim of the Sydney office of an Australian reporting entity on a borrower resident in New Zealand.

B. Offshore offices' claims on non-residents in local and non-local currency, excluding claims on Australian residents.

For example, a claim of the Wellington subsidiary of an Australian entity on a borrower resident in the US.

C. Offshore offices' claims in non-local currencies on local residents.

For example, a USD claim of the Wellington subsidiary of an Australian entity on a borrower resident in New Zealand.

D. Offshore offices' gross claims and liabilities in local currency on local residents.

For example, include the NZD business of the Wellington subsidiary of an Australian entity with a customer resident in New Zealand.

These data are sought as these reflect, in addition to cross-border claims, a source of country transfer risk for the reporting entity if the assets are funded abroad.

While A-C claim types should be reported on a consolidated basis, report D-type claims on a gross (i.e. non-consolidated) basis.

Reporting entities should refer to AASB 127 and AASB 3 regarding definitions of controlled entity and parent entity.

Note: Domestic entities may find that much of the data needed for consolidating their offshore operations is already available. This is because any offshore branches and subsidiaries most likely already submit the bulk of this data to their regulator/central bank in their host country who in turn forward the data to the BIS.

4.4.1 Treatment of subsidiaries

Australian-owned reporting entities should report the consolidated activities of the whole group. The return should consolidate all Australian and foreign subsidiaries whose business is financial and whose prime function is to grant credit or whose assets are largely of types that are captured in the return. This includes subsidiaries involved in banking, hire-purchase, factoring, bank-funded "warehousing", leasing, bond trading and those which trade in or underwrite securities. Insurance broking and similar companies should be excluded.

There may be cases in which an Australian-owned bank or a merchant bank or a finance company is a subsidiary of another Australian-owned reporting entity. In such cases the parent reporting entity and the subsidiary must still separately complete all parts of the return, with the parent consolidating the activities of the subsidiary in *ARF 231.3 Consolidated Data*. Even though its activities have been consolidated, the subsidiary is still required to complete ARF 231.3 separately.

4.5 Foreign entities (foreign-owned)

Reporting basis:

• Unconsolidated (i.e. gross).

Types of business to report:

- Report unconsolidated (i.e. gross) worldwide cross-border claims on all other countries including their home country on an immediate borrower basis and on an ultimate risk basis. Include any positions vis-à-vis own affiliates or head offices in other countries.
- As in the locational banking statistics, the principal items are deposits and balances placed with banks, loans and advances to banks and non-banks, and holdings of securities and other assets.

The data should be reported on an immediate borrower basis (worksheets: 'By maturity'; 'By sector'; and 'Risk transfers') and on an ultimate risk basis (worksheets: 'Ultimate risk'; and 'Derivative contracts').

Note: Foreign owned reporting entities may find that much of the data needed for completing ARF 231.3 is already available. This is because they most likely already submit the bulk of this data to their headquarters in their parent country (who would consolidate it with other data and provide it to the regulator/central bank in their country who in turn forward the data to the BIS).

4.6 Risk transfers

Reporting entities are requested to provide information on the volume of their cross-border financial claims and the local claims of their foreign affiliates in any currency that has been reallocated from the country of the immediate borrower to the country of ultimate risk as a result of guarantees, collateral, and credit derivatives,

which are part of the 'banking book'. The risk reallocation should also include those between different economic sectors (banks, public sector and non-bank private sector) in the same country. The information on the reallocation of claims should be reported as net risk transfers i.e. the difference of reallocated claims that increase the exposure (inward risk transfers) and those, which reduce the exposure (outward risk transfers) vis-à-vis a given country. All outward and inward risk transfers should add up to the same total.

The risk reallocation should also cover loans to domestic borrowers that are guaranteed by foreign entities and therefore represent inward risk transfers, which increase the exposure to the country of the guarantor. Equally foreign lending that is guaranteed by Australian entities (e.g. a domestic export credit agency such as EFIC, the Export Finance and Insurance Corporation) should be reported as an outward risk transfer, which reduces the exposure to the country of the foreign borrower.

In summary, there are four potential forms of risk reallocation:

i. Lending to a non-resident that is guaranteed by a non-resident third party.

In this case both the outward risk transfer from the original borrower and the risk transfer to the guarantor have to be reported.

ii. Lending to a non-resident that is guaranteed by an Australian resident third party.

In this case both the outward risk transfer from the original non-resident borrower has to be reported as well as the inward risk transfer to Australia.

iii. Lending to a resident that is guaranteed by a non-resident third party.

In this case, report the outward risk transfer from Australia as well as the inward risk transfer to the non-resident guarantor.

iv. Lending to a non-resident where the exposure is extinguished by receiving a cash collateral.

In this case only the outward risk transfer from the original non-resident borrower has to be reported (but no inward risk transfer to Australia).

Example 1

A bank in Australia has granted a loan of AUD 10 million to a manufacturer in Hong Kong, which is guaranteed by a bank in Japan. The Australian bank should report the claim as an outward risk transfer from Hong Kong and an inward risk transfer to Japan. Using the title of the worksheets and the column numbers in ARF 231.3a, this example will look as follows:

	'By maturity'	'Risk transfers'	'Risk transfers'	'Risk transfers'
	Col. 8	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 4
Hong Kong	10	10		-10
Japan			10	10

Column 8 in the worksheet 'By maturity' reports total cross-boarder claims in all currencies and foreign affiliates local claims in non-local currencies on an immediate borrower basis. This "total" is also reported in column 6 in the worksheet 'By sector'. In the 'Risk transfers' worksheet, column 2 reports outward risk transfers, column 3 reports inward risk transfers, and column 4 reports net risk transfers to the ultimate borrower.

Example 2

If in example 1, a bank in Australia guarantees the claim instead, the claim should be reported as an outward risk transfer from Hong Kong and an inward risk transfer to Australia.

	'By maturity'	'Risk transfers'	'Risk transfers'	'Risk transfers'
	Col. 8	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 4
Australia			10	10
Hong Kong	10	10		-10

Example 3

If in example 1, the manufacturer were resident in Australia, the claim would have to be reported as an outward risk transfer from Australia and an inward risk transfer to Japan. Note that no immediate claim is reported for Australia, refer to section 4.7.

	'By maturity' Col. 8	'Risk transfers' Col. 2	'Risk transfers' Col. 3	'Risk transfers' Col. 4
Australia		10		-10
Japan			10	10

Example 4

If in example 1, the manufacturer were resident in Japan, the claim would have to be reported as an outward risk transfer from the non-bank private sector in Japan and an inward risk transfer to the banking sector in Japan.

	'By maturity' Col. 8	'Risk transfers' Col. 2	'Risk transfers' Col. 3	'Risk transfers' Col. 4
Australia				
Japan		10	10	0

As a result, the data in column 2 in the 'Ultimate risk' worksheet should be \$10 million higher than the amount in column 2 in the 'By sector' worksheet (on an immediate basis), and column 4 in the 'Ultimate risk' worksheet should be \$10 million lower than the amount in column 4 in the 'By sector' worksheet (on an immediate basis) for Japan.

Example 5

If in example 4, the loan were granted by a subsidiary of an Australian bank in Hong Kong, the claim would have to be reported as an outward risk transfer from Hong Kong and an inward risk transfer to Japan (remembering that the loan is guaranteed by a bank in Japan).

	'By maturity' Col. 8	'Risk transfers' Col. 2	'Risk transfers' Col. 3	'Risk transfers' Col. 4
Hong Kong		10		-10
Japan			10	+10

As a result, the data in columns 2 and 7 in the 'Ultimate risk' worksheet for Japan will be \$10 million higher than in columns 2 or 7 in the 'By sector' worksheet, depending on whether the claim was denominated in Hong Kong dollars (column 7) or any other currency (column 2). In addition, the data in columns 4 and 8 in the 'Ultimate risk' worksheet for Hong Kong would be \$10 million lower than in columns 4 or 7 in the 'By sector' worksheet (immediate risk, non-bank private sector), depending on whether the claim was denominated in Hong Kong dollars (column 7) or any other foreign currency (column 4).

Example 6

An Australian bank makes a AUD 10 million loan to the Wellington branch of a US bank. The loan should be reported as a claim against New Zealand in column 8 in the 'By maturity' worksheet, as an outward risk transfer from New Zealand in column 2 in the 'Risk transfers' worksheet and as an inward risk transfer to USA in column 3 in the 'Risk transfers' worksheet.

	'By maturity'	'Risk transfers'	'Risk transfers'	'Risk transfers'
	Col. 8	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 4
New Zealand	10	10		-10
USA			10	10

Example 7

If in example 6, the loan to the Wellington branch of the US bank is made by a New Zealand office of the bank and is in NZD, it should be reported in column 7 in the 'By sector' worksheet as well as an outward risk transfer from New Zealand (column 2 in the 'Risk transfers' worksheet) and an equivalent inward risk transfer to the USA (column 3 in the 'Risk transfers' worksheet).

	'By maturity' Col. 8	'By sector' Col. 7	'Risk transfers' Col. 2	'Risk transfers' Col. 3	'Risk transfers' Col. 4
New		10	10		-10
Zealand					
USA				10	10

Note: For any individual country (except Australia, refer to section 4.7 below), the entry in column 2 in the 'Risk transfers' worksheet should normally not be more than (and usually less than) the sum of columns 8 in the 'By maturity worksheet and 7 in the 'By sector worksheet' (the exception is where the sum of these columns is less than column 2 in the 'Risk transfers' worksheet because of short positions in investments). The counterpart of each outward risk transfer included in column 2 in the 'Risk transfers' worksheet is an equal inward risk transfer reported in column 3 in the same worksheet against the country of residence of the person or institution responsible for repayment of the claim if the original borrower fails to do so.

Example 8

For example, a AUD 10 million claim on the Wellington branch of another Australian-incorporated bank should be included against New Zealand in columns 8 in the 'By maturity' worksheet and 2 in the 'Risk transfers' worksheet and against Australia in column 3 in the 'Risk transfers' worksheet. However, if the loan to the Wellington branch of the Australian-incorporated bank is made by a Wellington office of the reporting bank and is in NZD, it should be reported only in column 7 in the 'By sector' worksheet (refer to example 7 above).

	'By maturity'	'Risk transfers'	'Risk transfers'	'Risk transfers'
	Col. 8	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 4
Australia			10	10
New Zealand	10	10		-10

Example 9

A claim in AUD or any other currency on the Sydney office of a US bank (or on a Australian company with a US guarantor) will not be included in column 8 in the 'By maturity' worksheet. However, an outward risk transfer in respect of such a claim should be reported against Australia in column 2 in the 'Risk transfers' worksheet and an inward risk transfer to USA in column 3 in the same worksheet. Included in this way are all claims that would qualify for inclusion in column 8.

	'By maturity' Col. 8	'Risk transfers' Col. 2	'Risk transfers' Col. 3	'Risk transfers' Col. 4
Australia		10	001.5	-10
USA			10	10

4.7 Positions vis-à-vis Australia

The locational data collected in ARF 231.1 and ARF 231.2 captured:

- non-AUD denominated claims on Australian residents; and
- all AUD and non-AUD denominated claims on non-residents.

ARF 231.3, however, only relates to B-type claims; therefore do not include A-type claims, i.e. claims on Australian residents (either AUD or non-AUD denominated) should be excluded as these do not represent country risk. The only exception is in terms of risk transfers as Australians may have guaranteed a claim by a third-party on a non-resident.

Accordingly, reporting entities are asked to provide some limited ultimate risk data vis-à-vis Australia. Data on reporting entities' risk transfers in/out of Australia are sought for two reasons:

• It is used as a data validity check for both the reporting entities and APRA. By showing risk transfers into and out of Australia, total (i.e. for the world) outward risk transfers should always equal inward risk transfers. While it could be surmised that any difference between the two is a net transfer either in or out of

Australia, if this balancing check was not there, there is the possibility that misreporting could appear. This works as a useful check.

There is one qualification to this point. The issuer (or protection buyer) of credit linked notes and other collateral debt obligations and asset backed securities should only report an outward risk transfer and no inward risk transfer because the issuer is perceived to have received a cash collateral which extinguishes the exposure to his original claim. So in this limited case, total outward risk transfers may not match total inward risk transfers.

• It provides an indication of the magnitude of gross risk transfer into and out of Australia, and given the definition of risk transfer it provides a "ball park" figure for possible foreign-owned banks branch business in Australia (and by Australian-owned banks branches outside Australia), with Australian-owned banks.

4.8 Positions on an ultimate risk basis

4.8.1 On-balance sheet financial claims

Reporting entities are requested to provide data on their cross-border on-balance sheet financial claims of their offices worldwide and, for Australian-owned reporting entities, the claims of their foreign affiliates on residents of the countries where the affiliates are located. For Australian-owned reporting entities, the data should be reported on a consolidated immediate borrower basis (in worksheets 'By maturity', 'By sector', and 'Risk transfers') and on a consolidated ultimate risk basis (in worksheets 'Ultimate risk' and 'Derivative contracts'), i.e. inter-office positions should be netted out and the positions should be allocated to the country where the final risk lies. For foreign reporting entities, both immediate borrower and ultimate risk data should be on an unconsolidated basis.

In line with the risk reallocation principle for measuring country exposure recommended by the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision, the country of ultimate risk, or where the final risk lies is defined as the country in which the guarantor of a financial claim resides and/or the country in which the head office of a legally dependent branch is located. Collateral may be considered as an indicator of where the final risk lies to the extent that is recognised as a risk mitigant under the Basel Capital Accord.

Similarly, if credit derivatives are used to cover for the counterparty risk of financial claims in the banking book, the country of ultimate risk of these positions is defined as the country in which the counterparty to the credit derivative contract resides. In addition, in case of holdings of credit linked notes and other collateral debt obligations and asset-backed securities a "look-through" approach should be adopted and the country of ultimate risk is defined as the country where the debtor of the underlying credit, security or derivative contract resides. However, it is recognised that this "look-through" approach might not always be possible for practical reasons. Accordingly, reporting entities might only be able to provide estimates for the allocation of claims to the country where the debtor of the underlying resides or to allocate the claims

to the country of the immediate borrower that is the country where the issuer of the securities resides. Furthermore, the issuer (or protection buyer) of credit linked notes and other collateral debt obligations and asset backed securities should regard the issuance of a security backed by financial claims and sale to investors as a cash collateral which therefore extinguishes the exposure of the issuer to the underlying claim.

Claims on separately capitalised subsidiaries can only be considered as being guaranteed by the head office if the parent has provided an explicit guarantee. In contrast, any claims on non-incorporated branches should for the purposes of the consolidated banking statistics always be considered as guaranteed by the respective head office, even if there is no legal guarantee.

The data on financial claims should comprise all those balance sheet items, which represent claims on residents in other individual countries or economies. As in the locational banking statistics, the principal items are deposits and balances placed with banks, loans and advances to banks and non-banks, holdings of securities (including credit linked notes and other collateral debt obligations and asset-backed securities) and participations. If derivatives are booked as on-balance sheet items, they should not be reported as part of the item "On-balance sheet financial claims", but separately under the 'Derivative Contracts' item.

4.8.2 Derivative contracts

Domestic (Australian-owned) reporting entities are required to provide consolidated data on the cross-border financial claims (i.e. positive fair values) resulting from derivative contracts of all their offices worldwide and the financial claims from derivative contracts of their foreign affiliates vis-à-vis residents of the countries where the offices are located, independent of whether the derivative contracts are booked as off- or on-balance sheet items. The data should be reported on a consolidated and ultimate risk basis i.e. inter-office positions should be netted out and the positions should be allocated to the country where the final risk lies.

Foreign reporting entities are required to provide unconsolidated derivatives data.

The data should cover in principle all derivative contracts that are reported in the context of the triennial central bank survey of foreign exchange and derivatives market activity, which is coordinated by the BIS and reported to the RBA. The data thus mainly comprise forwards, swaps and options relating to foreign exchange, interest rate, equity, commodity and credit derivative contracts. However, credit derivatives, such as credit default swaps and total return swaps, should only be reported under the "derivative contracts" item if they belong to the 'trading book' of a protection buying reporting entity. Credit derivatives which belong to the 'banking book' should be reported as "risk transfers" by the protection buyer and, all credit derivatives should be reported as "guarantees" by the protection seller (refer to below). Financial claims resulting from derivative contracts should be valued at fair values (i.e. current credit exposure calculated as the sum of all positive fair values of derivative contracts outstanding after taking account of legally enforceable bilateral netting agreements) as this ensures consistency not only with the BIS OTC derivatives statistics but also with the valuation principles for all other on- and off-balance sheet items in the BIS international financial statistics. Negative fair values of derivative contracts are considered to represent financial liabilities and are therefore by definition excluded from the reporting of financial claims.

The following examples indicate how to calculate the market or fair value of various derivative instruments.

- For a forward, a contract to purchase USD against Euro at a forward rate of 1.00 when initiated has a positive fair value if the EUR/USD forward rate at the time of reporting for the same settlement date is lower than 1.00. It has a negative fair value if the forward rate at the time of reporting is higher than 1.00, and it has a zero fair value if the forward rate at the time of rate at the time of reporting is equal to 1.00.
- For swaps, which involve multiple (and sometimes two-way) payments, the fair value is the net present value of the payments to be exchanged between the counterparties between the reporting date and the contract's maturity, where the discount factor to be applied would normally reflect the market interest rate for the period of the contract's remaining maturity. Thus, a fixed/floating swap which at the interest rates prevailing at the reporting date involves net annual receipts by the reporter of e.g. 2% of the notional principal amount for the next three years has a positive marked-to-market (or replacement) value equal to the sum of three net payments (each 2% of the notional amount), discounted by the market interest rate prevailing at the reporting date. If the contract is not in the reporter's favour (i.e. the reporter would have to make net annual payments), the contract has a negative net present value.
- Unlike forwards or swaps, OTC options have a fair value at initiation that is equal to the premium paid to the writer of the option. Throughout their life, option contracts can only have a positive fair value for the buyer and a negative fair value for the seller. If a quoted market price is available for a contract, the fair value to be reported for that contract is the product of the number of trading units of the contract multiplied by that market price. If a quoted market price is not available, the fair value of an outstanding option contract at the time of reporting can be determined on the basis of secondary market prices for options with the same strike prices and remaining maturities as the options being valued, or by using option pricing models. In an option pricing model, current quotes of forward prices for the underlying (spot prices for American options) and the implied volatility and market interest rate relevant to the option's maturity would normally be used to calculate the "market" values. Options sold and purchased with the same counterparty should not be

netted against each other, nor should offsetting bought and sold options on the same underlying.

4.8.3 Guarantees and credit commitments

Reporting entities are requested to provide data on guarantees outstanding vis-à-vis non-residents of all their offices worldwide and the exposures of their foreign affiliates from guarantees vis-à-vis residents of the countries where the affiliates are located. Similar data is also requested separately for credit commitments outstanding. For domestic reporting entities, the data should be reported on a consolidated and ultimate risk basis i.e. inter-office positions should be netted out and, in case of secondary guarantees, collateral, and guarantees and credit commitments vis-à-vis non-incorporated branches of banks, the positions should be allocated to the country where the final risk lies. For foreign reporting entities, the data should be on an unconsolidated and ultimate risk basis.

Guarantees and credit commitments should be reported to the extent that they represent the unutilised portions of both binding contractual obligations and any other irrevocable commitments. They should only cover those obligations, which, if utilised, would be reported in total cross-border claims and local claims of foreign affiliates in any currency. Performance bonds and other forms of guarantee should only be reported if, in the event of the contingency occurring, the resulting claim would have an impact on total cross-border claims and local claims of foreign affiliates in any currency.

A more detailed definition of guarantees and credit commitments and a nonexhaustive list of typical instruments that qualify as guarantees and credit commitments is provided below:

Guarantees

• Represent contingent liabilities arising from an irrevocable obligation to pay to a third party beneficiary when a client fails to perform some contractual obligations. They include secured, bid and performance bonds, warranties and indemnities, confirmed documentary credits, irrevocable and stand-by letters of credits, acceptances and endorsements. Guarantees also include the contingent liabilities of the protection seller of credit derivative contracts.

Credit commitments

• Represent arrangements that irrevocably obligate an institution, at a client's request, to extend credit in the form of loans, participation in loans, lease financing receivables, mortgages, overdrafts or other loan substitutes or commitments to extend credit in the form of the purchase of loans, securities or other assets, such as back-up facilities including those under note issuance facilities (**NIFs**) and revolving underwriting facilities (**RUFs**).

4.9 Maturity breakdown

Reporting entities are to provide a maturity breakdown of their on-balance sheet international claims on an immediate borrower basis.

- Claims are to be entered according to their remaining maturity.
- Deposits that are repayable on demand should be allocated to the shortest maturity bracket.
- Overdue items should be allocated to the shortest maturity bracket (i.e. "< 3 mths").
- Claims that cannot be classified by maturity, such as equity and participations, should be assigned to a residual category "unallocated".
- Remaining maturities should be defined on the basis of the time to final payment of the relevant claim.
- The maturity classification of revolving credit facilities should be based on the term to loan rollover, which would typically be in the "< 3 mths" maturity bracket.
- Overdrafts should be allocated to the shortest maturity bracket (i.e. "< 3 mths").

4.10 Sectoral breakdown

Table 3 details the treatment of claims according to different types of sector. Claims that cannot be classified by sector should be assigned to a residual category "unallocated".

	Bank Sector	Public Sector	Non-Bank Privoto Sector
Claims vis-à-vis			Private Sector
General Government	-	✓	-
(Federal, state and local governments)			
Banks	\checkmark	-	-
(i.e. institutions which receive deposits and/or			
close substitutes for deposits and grant credit			
or invest in securities on their own account)			
Central Banks	-	✓	-
(e.g. RBA, the Fed, BOJ)			
Bank for International Settlements	-	\checkmark	-
(included in Switzerland)			
European Central Bank	-	✓	-
(included in Germany)			
Multilateral development banks	-	✓	-
(e.g. the World Bank and the Asian			
Development Bank)			
International Organisations	-	✓	-
Publicly owned enterprises	-	-	\checkmark
(other than banks)			
Residual Claims to non-bank private sector	-	-	✓

Table 3:	Sector	breakdown	for	ARF	231.3
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Note

- The treatment of certain institutions in ARF 231.3 (e.g. official monetary authorities) differs from their treatment in ARF 231.1 and ARF 231.2. This reflects the differing purposes of the locational (ARF 231.1 and ARF 231.2) and consolidated (ARF 231.3) statistics; and
- In the consolidated statistics (ARF 231.3) all international organisations should be included in "public sector".

4.11 Netting of assets and liabilities

As in the locational statistics (refer to section 2.6), international financial claims should generally be reported on a gross basis. However, reporting entities that are head offices exclude their claims on affiliates in any other country (as the data is reported on a consolidated basis).

4.12 Valuation

As a general rule it is recommended that financial claims belonging to the banking book be valued at face values or cost prices and financial claims belonging to the trading book be valued at market or fair values which is largely consistent with AASB 139.

Financial claims resulting from derivative contracts should be valued at fair values (i.e. current credit exposure calculated as the sum of all positive fair values of derivative contracts outstanding after taking account of legally enforceable bilateral netting agreements) as this ensures consistency not only with the BIS OTC derivatives statistics but also with the valuation principles for all other on- and off-balance sheet items in the BIS international financial statistics. Negative fair values of derivative contracts are considered to represent financial liabilities and are therefore by definition excluded from the reporting of financial claims.

Contingent liabilities resulting from guarantees and credit commitments should be valued at face values or the maximum possible exposure.

4.13 Memo items

While not included in the actual return, information is requested from reporting entities on several memo items (refer to below). Reporting entities are requested to provide such information only if the data is readily available. Reporting entities are free to provide the data to APRA in any form/design they choose (Excel, Word, etc) and they should be submitted at the same time as the ARF 231 series is submitted.

As with ARF 231.1 and ARF 231.2, data are requested for several memo items relating to:

- valuation changes due to revaluations at market prices;
- arrears of interest and principal; and
- write-offs & debt forgiveness.

Refer to section 2.8 for further information on these memo items.

4.14 Column descriptions

Domestic reporting entities report consolidated data in ARF 231.3a. Foreign reporting entities report data in ARF 231.3 Immediate and Ultimate Risk Exposures – Foreign Entity.

General column descriptions are below:

Columns 1 – Country listing

This column is an alphabetical listing of countries. Claims and liabilities should be allocated to the respective country. If there is an exposure or liability to a country not already listed refer to section 1.2 for further instructions.

Only foreign currency assets and liabilities to Australian residents should be allocated next to "Australia". Do not report any AUD positions vis-à-vis "Australia" as these are not international/foreign in nature; the relevant areas have been shaded black accordingly.

Columns 2 to 7 – Maturity breakdown of claims (worksheet 'By maturity')

In worksheet 'By maturity', enter each claim in the appropriate maturity bucket on the basis of its remaining maturity (refer to section 4.9).

Column 8 – Total claims on an immediate borrower basis (worksheet 'By maturity')

Column 8 in the worksheet 'By maturity' reports total consolidated cross-border claims in all currencies and local claims in foreign currencies on an immediate borrower basis (refer to sections 4.4 and 4.5). Do not update manually as this column sums data from other sections of the return.

Note: Column 8 in the worksheet 'By maturity' should equal column 6 in the 'By sector worksheet'.

Columns 2 to 5 – Sectoral breakdown of outstanding claims (worksheet 'By sector')

Report consolidated cross-boarder claims in all currencies and foreign affiliates' local claims in non-local currencies, by sector of borrower, in columns 2 to 5 in the 'By sector' worksheet. Enter each claim in the appropriate sector (refer to section 4.10).

Column 6 – Total claims on an immediate borrower basis (worksheet 'By Sector')

Column 6 in the worksheet 'By sector' reports total consolidated cross-border claims in all currencies and local claims in foreign currencies on an immediate borrower basis (refer to sections 4.4 and 4.5). Do not update manually as this column sums data from other sections of the return.

Note: Column 6 in the worksheet 'By sector' equals column 8 in the 'By maturity' worksheet.

Columns 7 to 8 – Activities of foreign affiliates (worksheet 'By sector')

Report local currency positions of reporting banks' foreign affiliates with local residents in columns 7 to 8 in the worksheet 'By sector'. Claims are reported in column 7 and liabilities in column 8.

• Report any claims of non-Australian offices on local residents, including portfolio investments that would qualify for inclusion under total claims on an immediate borrower basis (column 8 in worksheet 'By maturity' or column 6 in worksheet 'By sector') had they been in a non-local currency.

Include in column 8, sight and time deposit liabilities of these offices in the local currency to local residents.

In the BIS banking statistics, reporting banks' local claims in local currencies in other countries account for a large, and in some countries rapidly growing proportion of reporting banks total claims, and so examination of such exposures is critical to understanding the amount and types of risk faced by banks.⁴

Note: Columns 7 and 8 in the 'By sector' worksheet only apply to Australian-owned reporting entities.

Columns 2 to 4 – Risk transfers (worksheet 'Risk transfers')

Where the underlying risk in a claim, reported in column 8 in the 'By maturity' worksheet, is attributable to a country other than that against which it has been entered in that column, a risk transfer of the claim should be shown in columns 2 and 3 as appropriate (refer to section 4.6). Information on risk transfers in respect of local currency claims included in column 7 in the 'By sector' worksheet is not required.

A risk transfer should be reported where:

- the immediate borrower or lessee is a branch of a bank or company whose head office is located in a different country; or
- a resident of a different country formally, legally and irrevocably undertakes to repay the claim if the original borrower or lessee fails to do so.

In either of the above cases, the amount of the claim should be shown as an outward risk transfer against the country of residence of the borrower or lessee; and as an inward risk transfer against the country of residence of the person or institution responsible for repayment of the claim if the original borrower fails to do so. Paragraph A above only applies to claims on a branch of a bank whose head office is located in a different country and not to claims on a subsidiary, although a risk

⁴ "Foreign claims" comprise BIS reporting banks' cross-border claims in all currencies plus their foreign affiliates' claims in both local and foreign currencies. "International claims" are defined as reporting banks' cross-border claims plus their foreign affiliates' local claims in foreign currencies.

transfer should be made in respect of a claim on such a subsidiary where a guarantee is in place which satisfies paragraph B.

Column 4 reports net transfers of risk to the ultimate borrower. Do not update this column manually as it sums data from other sections of the return.

Columns 2 to 5 – Breakdown of outstanding claims (worksheet 'Ultimate risk')

Columns 2 to 5 in the worksheet 'Ultimate risk' report cross boarder claims and local claims of foreign affiliates in both local and foreign currencies on an ultimate risk basis, broken down by sector (refer to section 4.10).

Column 6 – Total claims on an ultimate borrower Basis (worksheet 'Ultimate risk')

This column reports total consolidated cross-border claims in all currencies and local claims in foreign currencies on an ultimate borrower basis (refer to section 4.8). Do not update manually as this column sums data from other sections of the return.

Columns 7 to 8 – Cross border and local claims (worksheet 'Ultimate risk')

Columns 7 to 8 in the worksheet 'Ultimate risk' report cross boarder claims and local claims of foreign affiliates in both local and foreign currencies on an ultimate risk basis, broken down between cross-boarder and local claims.

- Report the entity's cross-border claims in both local and foreign currencies in column 7; and
- Report the local claims of your foreign affiliates in both local and foreign currency in column 8.

Note: column 6 equals the sum of columns 7 and 8.

Note: columns 7 and 8 only apply to Australian-owned reporting entities.

Column 2 – Derivative contracts (worksheet 'Derivative contracts')

Enter data on the entity's derivatives activities (refer to section 4.8.2)

Columns 3 to 4 – Guarantees and credit commitments (worksheet 'Derivative contracts')

Enter data on the entity's activities in the area of guarantees and credit commitments (refer to section 4.8.3).

5. Consistency with other returns

5.1 Internal consistency within each return

In each return, there are columns and rows that sum other rows and columns within the same return. These areas, which are shaded grey for easy identification, are not to be updated manually but rather will update automatically once data is entered into the underlying columns and rows.

5.2 Consistency with other APRA and ABS returns

There are several APRA and ABS returns that overlap in terms of seeking similar international balance sheet data. In particular:

- ABS Form 90 Survey of International Investment
- ARF 231.1/2/3 International Exposures
- ARF 320.0 Statement of Financial Position (especially Memo Asset and Liability items relating to non-AUD amounts and positions vis-à-vis non-residents)
- ARF 321.0 Statement of Financial Position (Offshore Operations)
- ARF 325.0 International Operations
- ARF 326.0 Offshore Banking Unit

For example, the ABS uses Form 90 to produce the locational data (i.e. similar to ARF 231.), currently provided to the BIS. As banks will continue to submit Form 90 to the ABS, banks are encouraged to ensure consistency between Form 90 and the on and off-balance sheet data supplied in ARF 231.1 to the extent that they overlap.

As discussed on page 2, reporting entities should also ensure that the exchange rates used to convert foreign currency amounts to AUD are the same across all the returns to APRA and the ABS listed above.

6. Glossary

Α

ADI

Authorised deposit-taking institution.

Affiliates

Branches, subsidiaries and joint ventures. Refer to also "Own offices".

"A forfait" purchase

An outright purchase of a trade bill (or similar instrument) that absolves the seller/presenter of the bill from any obligation should the drawee fail to honour the bill when it matures.

Asian currency units

Refer to "International banking facility".

В

Banks

Generally defined as institutions whose business is to receive deposits and/or close substitutes for deposits and grant credits or invest in securities on their own account. This includes authorised deposit-taking institutions, and can include RFCs. Can refer to banks' head offices or affiliates. Within the scope of the BIS locational banking statistics, official monetary authorities (such as the RBA and other central banks) and the BIS, the European Central Bank (**ECB**) as well as multilateral development banks, are to be regarded as banks. However, for the consolidated statistics, these institutions are to be regarded as part of the public sector.

С

Capitalised interest

The conversion of accrued interest and interest in arrears, by agreement with the debtor, into a financial claim.

Claims

Financial assets (on-balance sheet items only) including, as a minimum, deposits and balances with other banks, loans and advances to non-banks as well as banks, and holdings of debt securities.

Consolidated reporting of international banking business

Application of a comprehensive reporting principle whereby the coverage includes the cross-border claims on, and liabilities to, individual countries, or groups of countries, of all the offices worldwide of banks with head offices in reporting countries, but excludes positions between different offices of the same bank.

Consortium

A joint venture in which no single owner has a controlling interest.

Countries

Both territorial entities that are states, as understood by international law and practice, and territorial entities that are not states (such as Hong Kong) but for which statistical data are maintained and provided internationally on a separate and independent basis.

Coverage

Refers to either the number of countries that report, or to the number of reporting institutions in each country, or to the extent of balance sheet reporting by individual banks, thus indicating the degree of comprehensiveness of the information collected.

Cross-border operations

Transactions between residents of different countries; also referred to as "external" operations (cf "international" operations, which include, in addition to external business, positions vis-à-vis residents in foreign currency).

Cross-border positions

Asset and liability positions vis-à-vis banks and non-banks located in a country other than the country of residence of the reporting entity; also referred to as "external" positions.

Cut-off point

The amount of international or external assets and liabilities below that a reporting entity is not required to report.

D

Derivative instrument

A financial instrument whose value depends on some underlying financial asset, commodity index or predefined variable. Some of the main uses of derivative instruments are to fix future prices in the present (forwards and futures), to exchange cash flows or modify asset characteristics (swaps) and to endow the holder with the right but not the obligation to engage in a transaction (options).

Ε

"En pension" acquisition

A transaction whereby a reporting entity acquires a foreign trade bill (or similar instrument) from an exporter on the basis of a sale and repurchase agreement. The term may also apply to operations in non-trade-related securities (such as treasury bills or notes).

Exchange rate adjustment

Procedure adopted to eliminate the valuation effects arising from movements in exchange rates from data expressed in a common currency (generally the US dollar). When calculating exchange rate adjusted changes in stocks, the BIS applies end-of-period dollar exchange rates to the (non-dollar) positions outstanding at the beginning of the period.

External assets/liabilities

Refer to "Cross-border positions".

F

Final owner

The ultimate owner of a branch or subsidiary in a chain of participations.

Final user/original supplier

The ultimate loan-taker and the initial depositor of funds in a chain of transactions.

Flow figures

Data on transactions as opposed to changes in amounts outstanding; not to be confused with exchange rate adjusted changes in stocks. In contrast to amounts outstanding, flow figures relate to periods of time and not to a particular date.

Foreign Entity

A reporting entity whose head office is outside the country in which they are located (refer to "Affiliates").

Foreign currency transactions

Transactions denominated in a currency other than the local (domestic) currency of the country in which the banking office is located.

Η

Head office

An office exercising control over and/or ownership of one or more affiliates.

Home country

The term is used in two different ways: (1) regarding the sectoral classification of counterparties, it refers to the country where the foreign counterparty of a reporting bank is located; (2) regarding the reporting of international financial claims in the consolidated banking statistics, it relates to the country of residence of the head office of a reporting entity.

Host country

The country of residence of a foreign entity affiliate.

Interbank positions

Asset and liability positions which reporting entities have with other reporting entities (example: positions between the reporting "offshore" financial centres and banks in the other reporting countries).

International banking business

In this context, the term "international" refers to reporting entities' transactions in whatever currency with non-residents (i.e. their external or cross-border business) plus their transactions in foreign (non-local) currency with residents.

International banking facility (IBF)

A banking unit conducting cross-border business unrestricted by many of the rules and regulations applied in ordinary banking with residents. IBFs and similar institutions are considered residents of the country in which they are located. Known as Offshore Banking Units in Australia.

International debt securities

For the purposes of the locational banking statistics, banks' holdings of international debt securities are defined as all negotiable short- and long-term debt instruments in domestic and foreign currency issued by non-residents and debt instruments in foreign currency issued by residents. For a reporting entities' own issues, the criteria are not currency and residence of the counterparty, but currency and the place or technique of issuance. All issues in foreign currency are included but securities denominated in domestic currency are included only if they are issued abroad or at home using international issuing procedures.

International interbank market

An international money market in which banks lend to each other - either cross-border or locally in foreign currency - large amounts of money, usually at short term between overnight and six months.

Inter-office business

Business between different offices of the same organisation; in BIS statistics this is usually covered only to the extent that it is cross-border or local in foreign currency and the data are not consolidated.

Intrabank business

Refer to "Inter-office business".

Investment companies

Companies that actively manage a pool of assets for their shareholders and that issue redeemable securities that represent an undivided interest in the assets managed by the company.

J

Japan Offshore Market

Refer to "International banking facility".

Joint venture

An enterprise in which two or more parties hold major interests. One of those parties may, but need not, be of the country in which the joint venture operates.

L

Local (domestic) currency transactions

Business carried out in the currency of the country in which the reporting entity's office is located.

Local foreign currency business

Business in non-local currency between a reporting entity located in a particular country and other entities (both banks and non-banks) resident in the same country.

Long-term

Maturity concept used in the consolidated banking statistics; it refers to remaining maturities exceeding one year.

Μ

Maturity structure

In the consolidated banking statistics, breakdown of claims according to their remaining maturity (i.e. the time to final maturity of claims) as opposed to contractual or original maturity (i.e. maturity at initiation of contract); also referred to as "maturity profile" or "maturity distribution".

Mutual funds

Investment companies that issue and sell redeemable securities which represent an undivided interest in the assets held by the fund.

Ν

Nationality

Classification according to the location of the head office rather than the location of the reporting entity.

Net takers/exporters of funds

Reporting entities that on an assets-minus-liabilities basis have a net external liability position are net takers of funds; reporting entities that have a net external asset position are net exporters of funds.

Non-banks

All entities (including individuals but excluding official monetary authorities) other than those defined as "banks".

Non-bank branches

Legally dependent offices of enterprises other than banks.

Non-bank private sector

Comprised of private corporations, publicly owned enterprises, households, non-profit institutions.

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Official deposits

Foreign currency deposits obtained by reporting banks from official monetary authorities (qv).

Official monetary authorities

Mainly central banks or similar national and international bodies, such as the BIS.

Offshore centres

An expression used to describe countries with banking sectors dealing primarily with non-residents and/or in foreign currency on a scale out of proportion to the size of the host economy.

Original supplier (of international funds)

Initial depositor of funds with a bank in a chain of (mostly interbank) transactions; may also refer to reporting entities themselves to the extent that they use domestic currency for switching into foreign currency or for external lending.

Outside area countries

Countries and territories located outside the BIS reporting countries.

Own offices

Different offices of the same organisation, including head offices, branch offices and subsidiaries. Also called "related offices". Refer to also "Affiliates".

Ρ

Parent country

Country where the head office of a reporting branch or subsidiary of a bank is located. A classification of reporting banks by parent country is required in the nationality structure part of the locational banking statistics.

Parent institution

Head office of a entity.

Participation

Permanent holding of financial interests in other undertakings, eg through the acquisition of shares.

Public sector

Federal, State and local government and central banks.

R

Redepositing of funds

Onlending of funds to other banks.

Related offices

Refer to "Own offices".

Reporting area

The whole group of countries that report to the BIS. The reporting area is different for the locational and the consolidated banking statistics.

Reporting centre/country

The terms "reporting country" and "reporting centre" are used interchangeably and refer to the countries that participate in the locational and/or consolidated banking statistics.

Reporting entities

Generally all those deposit-taking institutions and non-deposit taking financial institutions within a reporting country that submit data transmitted to the BIS. In the case of Australia, this is ADIs and selected RFCs.

Reporting entities' offices

Includes banks' head offices, branches and subsidiaries.

Repos (repurchase agreements)

Repos are money market operations based upon arrangements involving the sale of (financial) assets at a specified price with a commitment to repurchase the same or similar assets at a fixed price on a specified future date (usually short-term) or on a date subject to the discretion of the purchaser.

Resident/non-resident

The criterion for residence is whether a banking, non-bank or official monetary sector entity is permanently located, physically and/or by way of law or registration, inside or outside a country's borders.

RFC

Registered financial corporation.

Risk transfers

Requirement in the consolidated banking statistics for the reporting of data on the reallocation of international claims from the country of the immediate borrower to the country of "ultimate risk" (qv). Data are requested separately on outward and inward risk transfers.

S

Short-term

Maturity concept used in the consolidated banking statistics; it relates to remaining maturities of up to and including one year.

Stock figures

Amounts outstanding on a particular date as opposed to flows for a given period.

Т

Trustee business

Funds received and/or invested on a trust basis in a bank's own name but on behalf of third parties.

U

Undisbursed (unused) credit commitments

Open lines of credit that for the lending banks are legally binding.

Ultimate risk

Analytical concept in the context of the consolidated banking statistics for measuring country risk exposure as recommended by the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision. In contrast to the country where the actual borrower resides, the country of ultimate risk is defined as the country in which the guarantor of a financial claim resides and/or the country in which the head office of a legally dependent branch is located.

V

Vis-à-vis country

Country of location of the counterparty to a financial contract. The asset of a reporting entity will be the liability of an entity in the vis-à-vis country and vice versa.

W

Working capital

Funds of a permanent debt nature provided by the head office of a reporting entity to a legally dependent, unincorporated branch for the purpose of supporting its day-to-day operations.

APPENDIX 1

BIS international banking statistics: Country listing

Country/Grouping	Code	Includes / Excludes
Afghanistan	AF	
Albania	AL	
Algeria	DZ	
Andorra	AD	
Angola	AO	
Argentina	AR	
Armenia	AM	
Aruba	AW	
Australia	AU	includes Christmas Islands, Cocos Islands, Norfolk Islands, Heard and McDonald Islands, Territory of Ashmore and Cartier Islands and Territory of Coral Sea Islands)
Austria	AT	
Azerbaijan	AZ	
Bahamas	BS	
Bahrain	BH	
Bangladesh	BD	
Barbados	BB	
Belarus	BY	
Belgium	BE	
Belize	BZ	
Benin	BJ	
Bermuda	BM	
Bhutan	BT	
Bolivia	BO	
Bosnia and Herzegovina	BA	
Botswana	BW	
Brazil	BR	
British Overseas Territories	1W	includes British Antarctic Territory, British Indian Ocean Territory, Chagos, Pitcairn Islands, South Georgia and South Sandwich Islands)
Brunei	BN	
Bulgaria	BG	
Burkina Faso	BF	since August 1984, formerly Upper Volta
Burundi	BI	
Cambodia	KH	since March 1991, formerly Kampuchea
Cameroon	СМ	
Canada	CA	
Cape Verde	CV	
Cayman Islands	KY	
Central African Republic	CF	
Chad	TD	
Chile	CL	
China	CN	
Colombia	CO	
Comoros Islands	KM	
Congo	CG	
Congo Democratic Republic	CD	formerly Zaire
Costa Rica	CR	
Côte d'Ivoire	CI	
Croatia	HR	
Cuba	CU	

Cyprus	CY	Republic of Cyprus and Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus
Czech Republic	CZ	
Denmark	DK	excludes Faeroe Islands and Greenland
Djibouti	DJ	
Dominica	DM	
Dominican Republic	DO	
Ecuador	EC	
Egypt	EG	
El Salvador	SV	
Equatorial Guinea	GQ	
Eritrea	ER	
Estonia	EE	
Ethiopia	ET	
Faeroe Islands	FO	
Falkland Islands	FK	
Fiji	FJ	
Finland	FI	includes Aland Islands
France	FR	includes French Guiana, French Southern Territories,
Trance	TK	Guadeloupe, Martinique, Mayotte, Monaco, Reunion and St. Pierre and Miquelon
French Polynesia	PF	includes Society Archipelago, Tuamotu-Gambier Islands, Marquesas, Australes Archipelago
Gabon	GA	
Gambia	GM	
Georgia	GE	
Germany	DE	includes the European Central Bank
Ghana	GH	
Gibraltar	GI	
Greece	GR	
Greenland	GL	
Grenada	GD	
Guatemala	GT	
Guernsey	GG	
Guinea	GN	
Guinea-Bissau	GW	
Guyana	GY	
Haiti	HT	
Honduras	HN	
Hong Kong	HK	
Hungary	HU	
Iceland	IS	
India	IN	includes Sikkim and Goa
Indonesia	ID	includes Portuguese Timor
Iran	IR	
Iraq	IQ	
Ireland	IE	
Isle of Man	IE	_
Israel	IL	
Italy Jamaica	IT	
	JM	
Japan	JP	_
Jersey	JE	
Jordan	JO	
Kazakhstan	KZ	
Kenya	KE	
Kiribati	KI	Canton and Enderbury, Gilbert Island, Phoenix Islands, Line Islands

Kuwait	KW	
Kyrgyz Republic	KG	
Laos	LA	
Latvia	LV	
Lebanon	LB	
Lesotho	LS	
Liberia	LR	
Libya	LY	
Liechtenstein	LI	
Lithuania	LT	
Luxembourg	LU	
Macau	MO	
Macedonia	MK	the former Yugoslav Republic of
Madagascar	MG	the former rugoslav Republic of
Malawi	MW	
Malaysia	MY	includes Sabah and Sarawak
Maldives	MV	includes Saban and Salawak
Mali	ML	
Malta	MT	
Marshall Islands	MI MH	
Marshall Islands		
Mauritius	MR MU	
Mexico	MX	
Micronesia	FM	
Moldova	MD	
Mongolia	MN	
Morocco	MA	
Mozambique	MZ	
Myanmar	MM	since March 1990, formerly Burma
Namibia	NA	
Nauru	NR	
Nepal	NP	
Netherlands	NL	
Netherlands Antilles	AN	includes Bonaire, Curacao, Saba, St. Eustatius and St. Maarten
New Caledonia	NC	
New Zealand	NZ	includes Cook Islands, Minor Islands, Niue,Ross Dependency and Tokelau
Nicaragua	NI	
Niger	NE	
Nigeria	NG	
North Korea	KP	
Norway	NO	includes Bouvet Islands, Svalbard and Jan Mayen Islands
Oman	OM	, ,
Pakistan	PK	
Palau	PW	
Palestinian Autonomy	PS	
Panama	PA	includes Panama Canal Zone
Papua New Guinea	PG	
Paraguay	PY	
Peru	PE	
Philippines	PH	
Poland	PL	
Portugal	PT	includes the Azores and Madeira
Qatar	QA	menues une razores anu madella
Residual Africa and Middle	2W	includes Western Sahara
East		
Residual Asia and Pacific	20	

Residual Europe	2B	including IBEC (International Bank for Economic Co- operation)
Residual former Czechoslovakia	2U	
Residual former Soviet Union	2T	
Residual former Yugoslavia	21 2S	
Residual Latin America and	25 2H	
Caribbean	211	
Romania	RO	
Russia	RU	
Rwanda	RW	
San Marino	SM	
Sao Tome and Principe	ST	
Saudi Arabia	SA	
Senegal	SN	
Seychelles	SC	
Sierra Leone	SL	
Singapore	SG	
Slovak Republic	SK	
Slovenia	SI	
Solomon Islands	SB	
Somalia	SO	
South Africa	ZA	
South Korea	KR	
Spain	ES	includes Balearic Islands, Canary Islands and Ceuta and Melilla
Sri Lanka	LK	
St. Helena	SH	includes Ascension, Gough and Tristan Da Cunha
St. Lucia	LC	
St. Vincent	VC	includes the Grenadines
Sudan	SD	
Suriname	SR	
Swaziland	SZ	
Sweden	SE	
Switzerland	СН	includes Bank for International Settlements
Syria	SY	
Taiwan	TW	
Tajikistan	TJ	
Tanzania	ΤZ	
Thailand	TH	
Togo	TG	
Tonga	ТО	
Trinidad and Tobago	TT	
Tunisia	TN	
Turkey	TR	
Turkmenistan	ТМ	
Turks and Caicos	TC	
Tuvalu	TV	formerly the Ellice Islands
Uganda	UG	
Ukraine	UA	
United Arab Emirates	AE	
United Kingdom	GB	includes Guernsey, Isle of Man and Jersey
United States	US	includes American Samoa, Guam, Midway Islands, Northern Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico, US Virgin Islands and Wake Islands
Uruguay	UY	
US Pacific Islands	PU	includes Carolines, Howland and Baker, Kingman Reef,
		Palmyra and Jarvis and Jonston

Uzbekistan	UZ	
Vanuatu	VU	
Vatican	VA	
Venezuela	VE	
Vietnam	VN	
Wallis and Futuna	WF	
West Indies UK	1Z	includes Anguilla, Antigua and Barbuda, British Virgin Islands, Montserrat and St. Christopher/St. Kitts - Nevis
Western Samoa	WS	
Yemen	YE	
Yugoslavia	YU	only Serbia and Montenegro
Zambia	ZM	
Zimbabwe	ZW	
International organisations	1C	except the BIS, which is included under Switzerland, the ECB, which is included under Germany, and the International Bank for Economic Co-operation (IBEC), which is included under residual Europe
Unallocated	5M	
European Central Bank	1X	
United Kingdom U1	U1	excludes Guernsey, Isle of Man and Jersey
Official monetary authorities	1D	
Consortium Bank	1G	

APPENDIX 2

International Organisations

In the country-by-country breakdown of reporting banks' external asset and liability positions, the total positions vis-à-vis the international organisations listed below should be shown as a separate memo item (refer to section 2.5 for more detail).

Note

- For the locational data (ARF 231.1 and ARF 231.2) international organisations that should be treated as banks are shown in *italics*. All other organisations are to be treated as non-banks.
- For the consolidated statistics (ARF 231.3) all international organisations should be included in the "public sector".

EU organisations European Atomic Energy Community (EURATOM) Brussels European Coal and Steel Community (ECSC) Brussels European Union (EU) Brussels European Investment Bank (EIB) Luxembourg **Other European organisations** Council of Europe (CE) Strasbourg European Free Trade Association (EFTA) Geneva European Organization for Nuclear Research (CERN) Geneva European Space Agency (ESA) Paris European Telecommunications Satellite Organization (EUTELSAT) Paris Western European Union (WEU) Brussels Intergovernmental organisations Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN) Jakarta Caribbean Community (CARICOM) Georgetown (Guyana) Central American Common Market (CACM) Guatemala City Colombo (Sri Lanka) Colombo Plan Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) Lagos (Nigeria) Latin American Association of Development Financing Institutions (ALIDE) Lima Latin American Economic System (SELA) Caracas Latin American Integration Association (LAIA) Montevideo League of Arab States (LAS) Cairo North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) Brussels Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) Paris Organisation of American States (OAS) Washington Organisation of Central American States (OCAS) San Salvador Organisation of Eastern Caribbean States (OECS) Castries (St Lucia) Organization of African Unity (OAU) Addis Ababa (Ethiopia) South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) Kathmandu (Nepal) West African Economic Community (WAEC) Ouagadougou (Burkina Faso)

United Nations (UN)	New York
Various committees, funds and programmes of the UN including	
United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)	Geneva New York
Specialised Agencies of the UN	
Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) International Development Association (IDA) International Finance Corporation (IFC) International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) International Labour Organisation (ILO) International Maritime Organisation (IMO) International Monetary Fund (IMF) International Telecommunications Union (ITU) United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) Universal Postal Union (UPU) World Health Organization (WHO) World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) World Meteorological Organization (WMO) World Trade Organization (WTO)	Rome Vienna Washington Montreal Washington Rome Geneva London Washington Geneva Paris Berne Geneva Geneva Geneva Geneva Geneva Geneva
Regional aid banks and funds	
African Development Bank Group Andean Development Corporation (ADC) Arab Bank for Economic Development in Africa (BADEA) Arab Fund for Economic and Social Development (AFESD) Arab Monetary Fund (AMF) Asian Clearing Union (ACU) Asian Development Bank (ADB) Caribbean Development Bank (CDB)	Abidjan (Côte d'Ivoire) Caracas Khartoum Manama Abu Dhabi Teheran Manila St Michael (Barbados)
Central African States' Development Bank (CASDB)	Brazzaville (Congo)
Central American Bank for Economic Integration (CABEI) East African Development Bank (EADB) European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)	Tegucigalpa DC (Honduras) Kampala London
Inter-American Development Bank (IADB)	Washington
Islamic Development Bank (IsDB) Latin American Reserve Fund (LARF)	Jeddah (Saudi Arabia) Santafé de Bogotá
Nordic Investment Bank (NIB) OPEC Fund for International Development (OFID) West African Clearing House (WACH) West African Monetary Union (WAMU)	Helsinki Vienna Lagos (Nigeria) Senegal

Geneva

Geneva

London

Commodity organisations

International Red Cross (IRC)

Intergovernmental Council of Copper Exporting Countries (CIPEC)	Paris
International Cocoa Organization (ICCO) International Coffee Organization (ICO) International Cotton Advisory Committee (ICAC) International Jute Organization (IJO) International Lead and Zinc Study Group (ILZSG) International Natural Rubber Organization (INRO) International Olive Oil Council (IOOC) International Rubber Study Group (IRSG) International Sugar Organization (ISO) International Tin Council (ITC) International Wheat Council (IWC) Latin American Energy Organization (OLADE) Organization of Arab Petroleum Exporting Countries (OAPEC)	London London Washington Dhaka (Bangladesh) London Kuala Lumpur Madrid Wembley London London London London Quito (Ecuador) Cairo Vienna
Organisation of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) Other	vienna

World Council of Churches (WCC) International Maritime Satellite Organization (INMARSAT)

The above list covers the most important organisations, but it is not exhaustive.