



Financial Sector (Collection of Data) (reporting standard) determination No. 31 of 2021

Reporting Standard ARS 720.6 ABS/RBA Securities on Issue

Financial Sector (Collection of Data) Act 2001

I, Alison Bliss, 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*:

- (a) revoke Financial Sector (Collection of Data) (reporting standard) determination No. 8 of 2019, including *Reporting Standard ARS 720.6 ABS/RBA Securities on Issue* made under that Determination; and
- (b) determine *Reporting Standard ARS 720.6 ABS/RBA Securities on Issue*, in the form set out in the Schedule, which applies to the financial sector entities to the extent provided in paragraph 4 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 day it is registered on the Federal Register of Legislation.

This instrument commences upon registration on the Federal Register of Legislation.

Dated: 30 July 2021

[Signed]

Alison Bliss
General Manager
Data Analytics & Insights Division

Interpretation

In this Determination:

APRA means the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority.

financial sector entity has the meaning given by section 5 of the Act.

Schedule

Reporting Standard ARS 720.6 ABS/RBA Securities on Issue comprises the document commencing on the following page.



Reporting Standard ARS 720.6

ABS/RBA Securities on Issue

Objective of this Reporting Standard

This Reporting Standard outlines the requirements for the provision of information to APRA relating to an authorised deposit-taking institution's or registered financial corporation's securities on issue.

It includes *Reporting Form ARF 720.6 ABS/RBA Securities on Issue* and the associated specific instructions.

Authority

1. This Reporting Standard is made under section 13 of the *Financial Sector (Collection of Data) Act 2001*.

Purpose

2. Information collected by *Reporting Form ARF 720.6 ABS/RBA Securities on Issue* (ARF 720.6) is used by the **ABS** and **RBA** for various purposes, including the compilation of Australia's National Accounts. This information may also be used by **APRA** for prudential and publication purposes.
3. This Reporting Standard is an Economic and Financial Statistics (EFS) Reporting Standard for the purposes of *Reporting Standard ARS 701.0 ABS/RBA Definitions for the EFS Collection* (ARS 701.0).

Application and commencement

4. This Reporting Standard applies to an **authorised deposit-taking institution (ADI)** or **registered financial corporation (RFC)** as set out in the table below, where 'total assets' are measured by the value reported in item 13 (column 1) on *Reporting Form ARF 720.0A ABS/RBA Statement of Financial Position (Standard)* (ARF 720.0A).

Class of financial institution	Applicable
<i>ADI Reporting Category A</i>	No
<i>ADI Reporting Category B</i>	Yes
<i>RFCs</i>	Yes if total assets \geq \$500m

5. **APRA** may from time to time determine that a threshold, or a higher threshold than that specified in paragraph 4 of this Reporting Standard, will apply to a particular **ADI** or **RFC**. If **APRA** does so it will notify the **ADI** or **RFC** concerned in writing.
6. This Reporting Standard applies for **reporting periods** ending on or after 30 September 2021.

Information required

7. An **ADI** or **RFC** to which this Reporting Standard applies must provide **APRA** with the information required by this Reporting Standard for each **reporting period** on a **domestic books** consolidation.

Method of submission

8. The information required by this Reporting Standard must be given to **APRA** in electronic format, using the ‘Direct to APRA’ application or by a method (i.e. a web-based solution) notified by **APRA**, in writing, prior to submission.

Note: the Direct to APRA application software (also known as D2A) may be obtained from **APRA**.

Reporting periods and due dates

9. The information required by this Reporting Standard must be provided by an **ADI** or **RFC** to which this Reporting Standard applies under paragraphs 4 or 5:
 - (a) in respect of each calendar month by an **ADI**; and
 - (b) in respect of each quarter ended 31 March, 30 June, 30 September and 31 December by an **RFC**.
10. The information required by this Reporting Standard must be provided to **APRA** within:
 - (a) 10 business days after the end of the **reporting period** to which the information relates for **ADIs**; and
 - (b) 28 calendar days after the end of the **reporting period** to which the information relates for **RFCs**.¹
11. **APRA** may, by notice in writing, change the **reporting periods**, or specified **reporting periods**, for a particular **ADI** or **RFC**, to require it to provide the information required by this Reporting Standard more frequently, or less frequently, having regard to:
 - (a) the particular circumstances of the **ADI** or **RFC**; and
 - (b) the extent to which the information is required for the purposes of the **ABS** or **RBA**.

¹ To avoid doubt, if the **due date** for a particular **reporting period** falls on a day other than a usual business day, an **RFC** is nonetheless required to submit the information required no later than the **due date**.

12. *APRA* may grant an *ADI* or *RFC* 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.

Quality control

13. All information provided by an *ADI* or *RFC* under this Reporting Standard must be the product of systems, processes and controls that have been reviewed and tested by the external auditor of the *ADI* or *RFC* as set out in *Prudential Standard APS 310 Audit and Related Matters* for *ADIs* or *Reporting Standard RRS 710.0 ABS/RBA Audit Requirements for Registered Financial Corporations* for *RFCs*. Relevant standards and guidance statements issued by the Auditing and Assurance Standards Board provide information on the scope and nature of the review and testing required from external auditors. This review and testing must be done on an annual basis or more frequently if required by the external auditor to enable the external auditor to form an opinion on the accuracy and reliability of the information provided by an *ADI* or *RFC* under this Reporting Standard.
14. All information provided by an *ADI* or *RFC* under this Reporting Standard must be subject to systems, processes and controls developed by the *ADI* or *RFC* for the internal review and authorisation of that information. These systems, processes and controls are to assure the completeness and reliability of the information provided.

Authorisation

15. When an officer or agent of an *ADI* or *RFC* submits information under this Reporting Standard and uses the D2A application, or other method notified by *APRA*, it will be necessary for the officer or agent to digitally sign the relevant information using a digital certificate or other digital identity credential acceptable to *APRA*.

Interpretation

16. Terms that are defined in ARS 701.0 appear in bold and italics in this Reporting Standard.
17. In this Reporting Standard:
- due date*** means the last day of the 10 business days or 28 calendar days provided for in paragraph 10 or, if applicable, the date on a notice of extension given under paragraph 12.
- reporting period*** means a month of a year or a quarter ended 31 March, 30 June, 30 September or 31 December as provided for in paragraph 9 or, if applicable, the date on a notice given under paragraph 11.
18. Unless the contrary intention appears, any reference to an Act, Prudential Standard, Reporting Standard, Australian Accounting or Auditing Standard is a reference to the instrument as in force or existing from time to time.

ARF_720_6: ABS/RBA Securities on Issue

Australian Business Number	Institution Name
Reporting Period	Scale Factor
Monthly/quarterly	
Reporting Consolidation	
Domestic	

	AUD (1)	FX (AUD equivalent) (2)
1 Total short-term debt securities excluding hybrids		
1.1 Issued in Australia		
1.1.1 <i>of which:</i> Bills of exchange		
1.1.2 <i>of which:</i> Negotiable certificates of deposit		
1.2 Issued overseas		
1.2.1 <i>of which:</i> Bills of exchange		
1.2.2 <i>of which:</i> Negotiable certificates of deposit		

	AUD (1)	<i>of which:</i> Matures in 12 months or less (2)	FX (AUD equivalent) (3)	<i>of which:</i> Matures in 12 months or less (4)
2 Total long-term debt securities excluding hybrids				
2.1 Issued in Australia				
2.1.1 <i>of which:</i> Covered bonds				
2.1.2 <i>of which:</i> Negotiable certificates of deposit				
2.2 Issued overseas				
2.2.1 <i>of which:</i> Covered bonds				
2.2.2 <i>of which:</i> Negotiable certificates of deposit				

3 Total hybrid securities treated as liabilities				
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	Total (1)
4 Total ASX-listed equity securities	
4.1 <i>of which:</i> Preference shares	

Reporting Form ARF 720.6

ABS/RBA Securities on Issue

Instructions

These instructions assist completion of *Reporting Form ARF 720.6 ABS/RBA Securities on Issue* (ARF 720.6). ARF 720.6 collects information securities issued by **ADIs** and **registered financial corporations (RFCs)**.

Information reported in ARF 720.6 is required primarily for purposes of the **ABS** and the **RBA**. Items on ARF 720.6 are required for various purposes, including the compilation of Australia's National Accounts. Information reported in ARF 720.6 may also be used by **APRA** for prudential and publication purposes.

Reporting level

ARF 720.6 must be completed for each **ADI** and **RFC** to which this Reporting Standard applies under paragraphs 4 or 5.

Reporting basis and unit of measurement

These instructions specify the reporting basis and unit of measurement that applies to each item.

Items on ARF 720.6 must be reported as at the end of the **reporting period**.

For reporting purposes, unless specified otherwise, enter data as a positive number.

Place of issuance

References to "issued in Australia" are references to the domicile of the instruments used to raise funds in the domestic market. These instruments can be denominated in either AUD or some foreign currency such as USD.

References to "issued overseas" are references to the domicile of the instruments used to raise funds in countries other than Australia. These instruments can be denominated in either AUD or some foreign currency such as USD.

The domicile of the security issued is distinct from the domicile of the security issuer or holder.

Values

Closing balances should be reported at market prices effective at the reference date. Where denominated in foreign currency, convert **market values** in foreign currency to AUD at the spot rate effective as at the reference date. This valuation approach for securities on the ARF 720.6 may differ from the Australian Accounting Standards and *Reporting Form ARF 720.0A ABS/RBA Financial Position (Standard)* (ARF 720.0A) depending on the classification of these instruments in your institution's statutory accounts.

Report items on ARF 720.6 as whole dollars.

Standard Business Reporting (SBR)

Report items on ARF 720.6 with accounting type of credit (liabilities/equity). The accounting type (i.e. credit or debit) applies to all monetary items and represents the natural accounting treatment of the item collected.

Specific instructions

Terms highlighted in *bold italics* are defined in ARS 701.0.

All derived fields in the form are shaded in grey and are explained in words as a mathematical expression in these instructions.

Examples included under ‘Include’ and ‘Exclude’ must not be taken as an exhaustive list of items to be included or excluded.

1. Total short-term debt securities excluding hybrids

Item 1 collects information on the value of *short-term debt securities excluding hybrids* issued by the *ADI* or *RFC*.

Short-term debt securities excluding hybrids are all *debt securities excluding hybrids* issued by the *ADI* or *RFC* with an *original maturity* of less than or equal to than 12 months.

Exclude:

- *hybrid securities treated as liabilities*. Report these under item 3; and
- *non-negotiable certificates of deposit*.

Column 1	Report the <i>market value</i> of securities denominated in AUD.
Column 2	Report the <i>market value</i> of securities denominated in foreign currency.

Item 1	Report <i>short-term debt securities excluding hybrids</i> issued. Item 1 is a derived item. Report the value of total <i>short-term debt securities excluding hybrids</i> issued in item 1 as the sum of item 1.1 and item 1.2.
Item 1.1	Report <i>short-term debt securities excluding hybrids</i> issued in Australia.
Item 1.1.1	Of the amount reported in item 1.1, report the value that is <i>bills of exchange</i> .
Item 1.1.2	Of the amount reported in item 1.1, report the value that is <i>negotiable certificates of deposit</i> .
Item 1.2	Report <i>short-term debt securities excluding hybrids</i> issued overseas.
Item 1.2.1	Of the amount reported in item 1.2, report the value that is <i>bills of exchange</i> .

Item 1.2.2	Of the amount reported in item 1.2, report the value that is <i>negotiable certificates of deposit</i> .
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2. Total long-term debt securities excluding hybrids

Item 2 collects information on the value of *long-term debt securities excluding hybrids* issued by the *ADI* or *RFC*.

Long-term debt securities excluding hybrids are all *debt securities excluding hybrids* issued by the *ADI* or *RFC* with an *original maturity* of greater than 12 months.

Exclude:

- *hybrid securities treated as liabilities*. Report these under item 3; and
- *non-negotiable certificates of deposit*.

Column 1	Report the <i>market value</i> of securities denominated in AUD.
Column 2	Of the amount reported in column 1, report the value that has a <i>residual maturity</i> of 12 months or less.
Column 3	Report the <i>market value</i> of securities denominated in foreign currency.
Column 4	Of the amount reported in column 3, report the value that has a <i>residual maturity</i> of 12 months or less.

Item 2	Report <i>long-term debt securities excluding hybrids</i> issued. Item 2 is a derived item. Report the value of total <i>long-term debt securities excluding hybrids</i> issued in item 2 as the sum of item 2.1 and item 2.2.
Item 2.1	Report <i>long-term debt securities excluding hybrids</i> issued in Australia.
Item 2.1.1	Of the amount reported in item 2.1, report the value that is <i>covered bonds</i> .
Item 2.1.2	Of the amount reported in item 2.1, report the value that is <i>negotiable certificates of deposit</i> .
Item 2.2	Report <i>long-term debt securities excluding hybrids</i> issued overseas.
Item 2.2.1	Of the amount reported in item 2.2, report the value that is <i>covered bonds</i> .
Item 2.2.2	Of the amount reported in item 2.2, report the value that is <i>negotiable certificates of deposit</i> .

3. Total hybrid securities treated as liabilities

Item 3 collects information on the value of *hybrid securities treated as liabilities* under Australian Accounting Standards (i.e. *hybrid securities* classified as *debt securities*) issued by the *ADI* or *RFC*.

Column 1	Report the <i>market value</i> of securities denominated in AUD.
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Column 2	Of the amount reported in column 1, report the value that has a <i>residual maturity</i> of 12 months or less.
Column 3	Report the <i>market value</i> of securities denominated in foreign currency.
Column 4	Of the amount reported in column 3, report the value that has a <i>residual maturity</i> of 12 months or less.

Item 3	Report <i>hybrid securities treated as liabilities</i> issued.
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4. Total ASX-listed equity securities

Item 4 collects information on the value of *equity securities* issued by the *ADI* or *RFC* that are listed on the Australia Stock Exchange (ASX).

Exclude *hybrid securities treated as liabilities* under Australian Accounting Standards (i.e. *hybrid securities* classified as *debt securities*). Report these under item 3.

Column 1	Report the <i>market value</i> .
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Item 4	Report <i>equity securities</i> issued that are listed on the Australian Stock Exchange (ASX).
Item 4.1	Of the amount reported in item 4, report the value of <i>preference shares</i> .