

Table 2: Beneficial Ownership by Country of Residence of Australian Government Securities and State Government Securities Guaranteed by the Australian Government

Share of Total (per cent)

	Feb-11	Mar-11	Apr-11	May-11	Jun-11	Jul-11	Aug-11	Sep-11	Oct-11	Nov-11	Dec-11
Australia	22.3	23.6	23.1	24.6	23.1	22.1	22.3	22.2	22.0	21.5	19.5
Asia											
North Asia (including China, Japan, Korea)	3.1	2.8	2.9	2.8	3.3	3.0	2.7	2.7	2.8	2.8	3.1
South and South East Asia	3.5	3.7	3.8	3.9	3.8	6.5	5.8	6.1	6.8	7.5	8.3
Total	6.6	6.5	6.6	6.8	7.1	9.6	8.6	8.8	9.6	10.4	11.4
Europe											
Euro area	1.3	0.9	0.7	0.9	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.9	0.8	0.7
Non-Euro area	7.7	7.1	6.9	5.7	5.9	5.2	5.1	5.9	5.4	4.6	5.2
Total	9.0	8.0	7.6	6.6	6.7	5.9	5.8	6.6	6.3	5.4	5.9
North America											
Canada	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.1	0.2
United States	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.7	1.0	0.9	0.9
Total	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.8	0.6	0.7	0.9	1.3	1.0	1.1
Other countries	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1
Total identified by country of beneficial ownership	38.7	38.7	38.0	38.6	37.7	38.2	37.6	38.6	39.3	38.3	38.1
Overseas not identified by country of beneficial ownership	2.6	2.5	2.4	2.4	2.2	2.3	2.1	1.8	1.8	1.7	1.7
Domestic custodian and nominee companies	58.8	58.8	59.6	59.0	60.1	59.5	60.4	59.5	58.9	60.0	60.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Comprising:</i>											
Commonwealth Government Securities	76.9	78.4	80.4	81.8	82.8	83.2	83.9	85.1	85.7	86.2	86.4
New South Wales securities guaranteed by the Australian Government	9.0	8.5	8.2	7.6	7.7	7.6	7.1	6.3	5.9	5.6	5.5
Queensland securities guaranteed by the Australian Government	14.1	13.1	11.4	10.5	9.4	9.2	9.0	8.6	8.4	8.2	8.1

Other statistics on holdings of Commonwealth Government Securities

- The Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) publishes quarterly data on aggregate non-resident portfolio investment in the debt securities of the general government sector. This corresponds to foreign holdings of Commonwealth Government Securities (CGS) issued by the Australian Government. It also includes data on securities issued for State governments which is broader than the Commonwealth-guaranteed securities issued by State governments and covered by this Register. It does not provide information on holdings by country.

The data on foreign holdings of Commonwealth Government Securities can be found in ABS publication number 5302.0 - Balance of Payments and International Investment Position, Australia; Table 30. Foreign Debt Levels - Qtr; Series ID A3374929V. The data on foreign holdings of State Government Securities can be found in Series ID A3374942L.

- The ABS also publishes annual data on non-resident holdings by country for portfolio investment in all debt securities. This is broader than the general government sectors and includes domestic and offshore securities issued by banks and companies.

The data can be found in ABS publication number 5352.0 - International Investment Position, Australia: Supplementary Statistics; Table 2. Foreign Investment in Australia, Level of Investment by Country and Country Groups by type of investment and year: (\$million); Portfolio investment liabilities, Debt securities (for each individual country).