

# **Reporting Standard ARS 745.0**

# **ABS/RBA Personal Finance**

# **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 provision of personal finance to households.

It includes *Reporting Form ARF 745.0 ABS/RBA Personal Finance* 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* 745.0 *ABS/RBA Personal Finance* (ARF 745.0) is used by the *ABS* and *RBA* for various purposes, including statistical publications. 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 'personal credit' is measured by the value reported in item 1.1.1.1.2 (column 1) on *Reporting Form ARF* 720.1A/B *ABS/RBA Loans and Finance Leases* (*Standard*)/(*Reduced*) (ARF 720.1A/B).

Class of financial institution	Applicable
ADIs	Yes if personal credit $\geq$ \$500 million
RFCs	Yes if personal credit $\geq$ \$500 million

- 5. *APRA* may from time to time determine that a higher threshold will apply to a particular *ADI* or *RFC* than that specified in paragraph 4 of this Reporting Standard and 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 June 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 webbased 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 in respect of each calendar month by an *ADI* or *RFC* to which this Reporting Standard applies under paragraphs 4 or 5.
- 10. The information required by this Reporting Standard must be provided to *APRA* within 10 business days after the end of the *reporting period* to which the information relates.
- 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*.
- 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*.

## Minor alterations to forms and instructions

- 16. 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.

17. If *APRA* makes such a variation it must notify in writing each *ADI* or *RFC* that is required to report under this Reporting Standard.

#### Interpretation

- 18. Terms that are defined in ARS 701.0 appear in bold and italics in this Reporting Standard.
- 19. In this Reporting Standard:

*due date* means the last day of the 10 business 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 as provided for in paragraph 9 or, if applicable, the date on a notice given under paragraph 11.

20. 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.

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Australian Business Number	Institution Name	
Reporting Period	Scale Factor	
Monthly		
Reporting Consolidation		
Domestic		
1. New borrower-accepted commitments for fixed-term personal lo	oans and finance leases - by purpose	
	Fixed-term loans	Finance leases
	(1)	(2)
1.1. New borrower-accepted commitments for personal finance to re increases to previously committed credit limits)	esidents (including	
1.1.1. Purchase of road vehicles		
1.1.2. Purchase of other transport vehicles and equipment		
1.1.3. Purchase of household and personal goods		
1.1.4. Travel and holidays		
1.1.5. Investment (excluding housing)		
1.1.6. External refinance		
1.1.7. Internal refinance		
1.1.8. Other		
1.2. New borrower-accepted commitments for personal finance to ne	on-residents	

## 2. Borrower-accepted commitments for credit cards, margin lending and other revolving credit

2.4.2. of which: Secured by residential property

Other revolving Margin lending Credit cards credit (1) (2) (3) 2.1. New borrower-accepted commitments to residents during month 2.1.1. of which: Secured by residential property 2.2. Cancellations of and reductions in residents' previously committed (and accepted) credit limits during month 2.3. Total credit limits available to residents (including credit outstanding) as at the end of the month 2.3.1. of which: Secured by residential property 2.4. Total credit limits available to non-residents (including credit outstanding) as at the end of the month 2.4.1. of which: Credit outstanding as at the end of the month

# Reporting Form ARF 745.0 ABS/RBA Personal Finance

# Instructions

These instructions assist completion of *Reporting Form ARF* 745.0 *ABS/RBA Personal Finance* (ARF 745.0). ARF 745.0 collects information relating to the provision of finance to *households* for *personal* purposes by *ADIs* and *RFCs*.

Information reported in ARF 745.0 is required primarily for purposes of the *ABS* and the *RBA*. This information is required for various purposes, including policy and statistical purposes. Published aggregate statistics from this collection are used for research and policy formulation by a range of interested parties, including economists, State and Federal Governments, and the private sector. Information reported in ARF 745.0 may also be used by *APRA* for prudential and publication purposes.

# **Reporting level**

ARF 745.0 must be completed by 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.

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

# Counterparties

For the purposes of this form, report only finance to *households* for *personal* purposes.

For the purposes of this form, *households* may exist in either the *resident* or *non-resident* sectors.

Positions with *resident* and *non-resident households* are collected separately.

# Types of finance

For the purposes of this form, finance includes:

- *loans*; and
- finance leases.

When reporting *borrower-accepter commitments*, report only that finance where the legal lender on the contract is an entity included in the *domestic books* consolidation of the *ADI* or *RFC*.

When reporting information on the stock of outstanding finance (e.g. *credit outstanding*), only include finance that is held on-balance sheet, unless otherwise directed.

# Reporting by purpose

Classify finance at the lowest level at which it is able to be identified; the purpose that the funds will be used for determines whether (and where) it is reported on this form. Where finance (identified at the lowest available level) is to be used for more than one purpose, classify that finance to its predominant purpose (based on the purpose for which the largest share of the funds will be used).

## Values

Unless otherwise specifically stated, information reported on this form must comply with Australian Accounting Standards.

Report monetary amounts on ARF 745.0 in Australian dollars or the Australian dollar equivalent of the foreign currency. Convert amounts denominated in foreign currency to AUD in accordance with AASB 121 The Effects of Changes in Foreign Exchange Rates.

Report values on ARF 745.0 as whole dollars.

## Standard Business Reporting (SBR)

The accounting type (i.e. credit or debit) is stated for all monetary items and represents the natural accounting balance 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. New borrower-accepted commitments for fixed-term personal loans and leasing – by purpose

Item 1 collects information on the value of new *borrower-accepted commitments* for *fixed-term loans* and *finance leases* to *households* for *personal* purposes during the *reporting period*, by *purpose sub-class*.

**Borrower-accepted commitments** include agreements to increase the credit limit of an existing loan contract (for example, as part of an *internal refinance*). For a *borrower-accepted commitment*, the *credit limit* is the maximum amount of funds that will be made available to the borrower without additional authorisation or approval. This includes outstanding balances (including capitalised interest or fees) and any other funds that can be drawn without additional approval by the lender in this amount.

#### **Reporting basis:** report item 1 as during the *reporting period*.

**SBR:** submit item 1 with accounting type of debit (assets).

Include only *fixed-term loans* and *finance leases* in this item. Exclude *revolving credit* facilities. Report these in item 2.

Column 1	Report the value for <i>fixed-term loans</i> for <i>personal</i> purposes.
Column 2	Report the value for <i>finance leases</i> for <i>personal</i> purposes.

Item 1.1	Report new <i>borrower-accepted commitments</i> to <i>resident households</i> for <i>personal</i> purposes.
Item 1.1.1	Report new <i>borrower-accepted commitments</i> to <i>resident households</i> for the purchase of <i>road vehicles</i> .
Item 1.1.2	Report new <i>borrower-accepted commitments</i> to <i>resident households</i> for the purchase of <i>other transport vehicles &amp; equipment</i> .
Item 1.1.3	Report new <i>borrower-accepted commitments</i> to <i>resident households</i> for the purchase of household and personal goods.
Item 1.1.4	Report new <i>borrower-accepted commitments</i> to <i>resident households</i> for the purpose of travel and holidays.
Item 1.1.5	Report new <i>borrower-accepted commitments</i> to <i>resident households</i> for the purpose of <i>personal investment</i> (excluding <i>housing</i> for the purposes of <i>investment</i> ).
	Include <i>borrower-accepted commitments</i> for the purchase of shares and other investment assets other than <i>margin loans</i> .
Item 1.1.6	Report new <i>borrower-accepted commitments</i> to <i>resident households</i> for the purpose of <i>external refinance</i> .
Item 1.1.7	Report new <i>borrower-accepted commitments</i> to <i>resident households</i> for the purpose of <i>internal refinance</i> .
Item 1.1.8	Report new <i>borrower-accepted commitments</i> for finance to <i>resident households</i> for any other <i>personal</i> purpose other than those already reported in items 1.1.1 to 1.1.7.
	Item 1.1.8 is a derived item. Report the value of new <i>borrower-accepted commitments</i> for finance to <i>resident households</i> for any other <i>personal</i> purpose other than those already reported for each column in item 1.1.8 as: item 1.1 less the sum of: items 1.1.1 to 1.1.7 inclusive.
Item 1.2	Report new <i>borrower-accepted commitments</i> for finance to <i>non-residents</i> for <i>personal</i> purposes.

# 2. Borrower–accepted commitments for credit cards, margin lending and other revolving credit

Item 2 collects information on the value of new *borrower-accepted commitments*, cancellations of existing *borrower-accepted commitments* and total *credit limits* for *credit cards*, *margin lending* and any other *revolving credit* facilities to *households* for *personal* purposes.

**Borrower-accepted commitments** include agreements to increase the credit limit of an existing loan contract (for example, as part of an *internal refinance*). For a *borrower-accepted commitment*, the *credit limit* is the maximum amount of funds that will be made available to the borrower without additional authorisation or approval. This includes outstanding balances (including capitalised interest or fees) and any other funds that can be drawn without additional approval by the lender in this amount.

**Reporting basis:** report item 2 as at the end of the *reporting period* or during the *reporting period* as directed.

Include *credit cards*, *margin lending* and any other *revolving credit* facilities in this item. Exclude *fixed-term loans* and *finance leases*. Report these in item 1.

Report *credit limits* and *credit outstanding* in the category in which they sit as at the end of the *reporting period*.

Exclude *facilities* that have been written off.

Column 1	Report the value for <i>credit cards</i> .
Column 2	Report the value for <i>margin lending</i> .
Column 3	Report the value for <i>revolving credit</i> facilities other than <i>credit cards</i> and <i>margin lending</i> .

	Report new <i>credit limits</i> committed to and accepted by <i>resident households</i> for <i>personal</i> purposes during the <i>reporting period</i> .
	Include the value of <i>credit limits</i> for new <i>borrower-accepted commitments</i> for the purpose of <i>internal refinance</i> and <i>external refinance</i> .
	<b>SBR:</b> submit item 2.1 with accounting type of debit (assets).
Item 2.1.1	Of the amount reported in item 2.1, report the value <i>secured by residential property</i> .
	Do not report columns 1 and 2 for item 2.1.1.
	<b>SBR:</b> submit item 2.1.1 with accounting type of debit (assets).
Item 2.2	Report any cancellations of and reductions in <i>resident households</i> ' previously committed <i>credit limits</i> during the <i>reporting period</i> .
	Include the value of <i>credit limits</i> cancelled during the <i>reporting period</i> due to an <i>internal refinance</i> or <i>external refinance</i> .
	Exclude repayments that reduce the used portion of the credit <i>facility</i> , but not the total credit available.
	Do not report column 2 for item 2.2.
	<b>SBR:</b> submit item 2.2 with accounting type of credit (negative assets).
Item 2.3	Report total <i>credit limits</i> available to <i>resident households</i> (including <i>credit outstanding</i> ) as at the end of the <i>reporting period</i> .
	<b>SBR:</b> submit item 2.3 with accounting type of debit (assets).

Item 2.3.1	<ul> <li>Of the amount reported in item 2.3, report the value <i>secured by residential property</i>.</li> <li>Do not report columns 1 and 2 for item 2.3.1.</li> <li>SBR: submit item 2.3.1 with accounting type of debit (assets).</li> </ul>
Item 2.4	Report the total <i>credit limits</i> available to <i>non-resident households</i> (including <i>credit outstanding</i> ) as at the end of the <i>reporting period</i> .SBR: submit item 2.4 with accounting type of debit (assets).
Item 2.4.1	Of the amount reported in item 2.4, report the value of <i>credit outstanding</i> as at the end of the <i>reporting period</i> . <b>SBR:</b> submit item 2.4.1 with accounting type of debit (assets).
Item 2.4.2	Of the amount reported in item 2.4, report the value secured by residential property.Do not report columns 1 and 2 for item 2.4.2.SBR: submit item 2.4.2 with accounting type of debit (assets).