

Absa Group Limited

Pillar 3 risk management report for the reporting period ended 31 March 2022



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The Pillar 3 risk management report provides the quarterly view of Absa Group Limited (the Group) and Absa Bank Limited (the Bank) regulatory capital and risk exposures. It complies with:

- The Basel Committee on Banking Supervision (BCBS) Pillar 3 disclosure requirements (Pillar 3 Standard).
- Regulation 43 of the Regulations relating to Banks (Regulations), issued in terms of the Banks Act, 1990 (Act No. 94 of 1990), were not superseded by the Pillar 3 disclosure requirements.

Management and the Group Risk and Capital Management Committee (GRCMC) have reviewed the report. The Board is satisfied that the Group's risk and capital management processes operated effectively for the period under review, and the Group is adequately capitalised and funded to support the execution of its strategy.

The information in this report is unaudited.



In line with regulatory and accounting requirements, the capital and leverage positions of the Group and the Bank in this document are reflected on a regulatory basis (which requires unappropriated profits to be excluded). The capital and leverage positions of the Group are also managed on a statutory basis (which includes unappropriated profits).

The Group liquidity coverage ratio (LCR) reflects an aggregation of the Bank LCR and the LCR of the Absa Regional Operations (ARO). For this purpose, a simple average of the relevant three month-end data points is used for ARO. For the Bank, the LCR was calculated as a simple average of 90 calendar-day LCR observations.

The summary table below provides key capital adequacy and liquidity information on both a regulatory and statutory basis as at 31 March 2022.

1.1 Capital adequacy and liquidity

			31 March 2022	31 December 2021	31 March 2022	31 December 2021
	Board target ranges ¹	Minimum regulatory requirements ²	Group performance	Group performance	Bank	Bank
Statutory capital ratios (includes unappropriated profits) (%)						
Common equity tier 1 (CET1)	11.0 - 12.5		12.6	12.8	12.4	12.4
Tier l	>12.0		14.3	14.6	14.7	14.8
Total capital adequacy requirement (CAR)	>14.5		16.5	17.0	17.5	17.9
Leverage	5.5 – 7.5		7.8	7.9	6.4	6.5
Regulatory capital ratios (excludes unappropriated profits) (%)						
CET1		8.5	12.0	12.2	11.9	11.9
Tier l		10.3	13.7	14.1	14.2	14.3
Total CAR		12.5	15.9	16.5	16.9	17.5
Leverage		4.0	7.4	7.6	6.2	6.3
LCR (%)		90.0 ³	119.1	116.8	122.2	124.5
Net stable funding ratio (NSFR) (%)		100.0	113.8	116.1	108.4	110.1

¹ Capital ratios (including unappropriated profits) are managed against Board capital target ranges. The Absa Bank Limited CET1 Board target range is 10.5% to 12.0% and Absa Bank Leverage Board Target is 5.0% to 7.0%.

² The 2022 minimum total regulatory CAR of 12.5% includes the capital conservation buffer, Pillar 2A at 1.00% and the D-SIB add-on but excludes the bank-specific individual capital requirement (Pillar 2B add-on).

³ The LCR minimum regulatory requirements increased from 80% to 90% with effect from 1 January 2022.



1.2 KM1: Key metrics (at consolidated group level)¹

		а	b	С	d	е
		31 March 2022	31 December 2021	30 September 2021	30 June 2021	31 March 2021
Avail	able capital (Rm)					
1	CET1	110 721	114 080	108 822	107 437	103 041
2	Tier 1	126 582	131059	125 163	123 508	111 990
3	Total capital	146 583	153 534	148 281	147 781	136 908
RWA	(Rm)					
4	Total RWA	923 058	931524	916711	891769	904 628
Risk-	based capital ratios as a percentage of RWA (%)					
5	CET1 ratio	12.0	12.2	11.9	12.1	11.4
6	Tier l ratio	13.7	14.1	13.7	13.9	12.4
7	Total capital ratio	15.9	16.5	16.2	16.6	15.1
Addit	ional CET1 buffer requirements as a percentage of RWA (%)					
8	Capital conservation buffer requirement	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
9	Countercyclical buffer requirement ²	-	-	-	-	-
10	Global systemically important banks (G-SIB) and/or domestic systemically important banks (D-SIB) additional requirements	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.5
11	Total of bank CET1 specific buffer requirements (Row 8 + row 9 + row 10)	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.0
12	CET1 available after meeting the bank's minimum capital requirements	3.5	4.2	3.9	4.1	3.9
Base	I III leverage ratio					
13	Total Basel III leverage ratio exposure measure (Rm)	1 7 05 152	1716289	1697416	1645788	1614976
14	Basel III leverage ratio (%) (row 2 / row 13)	7.4	7.6	7.4	7.5	6.9
LCR						
15	Total high-quality liquid assets (HQLA) (Rm)	211 840	206 880	196 248	214 589	206 410
16	Total net cash outflow (Rm)	177802	177 075	166 010	173009	175 300
17	LCR (%)	119.1	116.8	118.2	124.0	117.7
NSFR						
18	Total available stable funding (ASF) (Rm)	973930	1003080	987 128	962 485	942 574
19	Total required stable funding (RSF) (Rm)	855 523	863 640	828 853	813629	812 689
20	NSFR (%)	113.8	116.1	119.1	118.3	116.0

 $^{^{\}rm 1}\,{\rm The}$ fully loaded accounted ECL basis has been fully transitioned in.

² The countercyclical buffer in South Africa is currently zero.

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1.3 OV1: Overview of RWA

		Group			$Bank^1$			
		a 31 March 2022	b 31 December 2021	c 31 March 2022	2022	b 31 December 2021 _	د 31 March 2022	
		RWA Rm	RWA Rm	MRC ² Rm	RWA Rm	RWA Rm	MRC ² Rm	
1	Credit risk (excluding counterparty credit risk (CCR))	658587	675 930	82 323	456994	463 433	57 123	
2	Of which: standardised approach (SA)	187 591	198 515	23 449	386	430	48	
3	Of which: foundation internal ratings-based (FIRB) approach	-	-	-	-	-	-	
4	Of which: supervisory slotting approach	-	-	-	-	-	-	
5	Of which: advanced internal ratings-based (AIRB) approach	470 996	477 415	58 874	456 608	463 003	57 075	
6	CCR	21964	16 254	2 746	19 594	14780	2 449	
7	Of which: standardised approach for CCR (SA-CCR)	21964	16 254	2 7 4 6	19 594	14780	2 4 4 9	
8	Of which: internal model method (IMM)	-	-	-	-	-	-	
9	Of which: other CCR	-	-	-	-	-	-	
10	Credit valuation adjustment (CVA)	15 067	10 203	1 883	11 854	8 5 9 4	1 482	
11	Equity positions under the simple risk weight approach	3 248	3 578	406	1 767	1815	221	
12	Equity investments in funds – look-through approach	8 599	9172	1 075	2 549	2 396	319	
13	Equity investments in funds – mandate-based approach	-	-	-	-	-	-	
14	Equity investments in funds – fall-back approach	483	446	60	-	199	-	
15	Settlement risk	1039	1 191	130	989	1133	124	
16	Securitisation exposures in banking book	3 656	3 937	457	3 656	3 9 3 7	457	
17	Of which: IRB ratings-based approach (SEC-IRBA)	3 656	3 937	457	3 656	3 937	457	
18	Of which: securitisation external ratings-based approach (RBA) (SEC-ERBA), including internal assessment approach (IAA)	-	-	-	-	-	-	
19	Of which: securitisation SA (SEC-SA)	-	-	-	-	-	-	
20	Traded market risk	35 475	39 183	4 435	23 280	25 838	2 910	
21	Of which: SA	18 996	19 693	2 375	6 801	6 3 4 8	850	
22	Of which: internal model approach (IMA)	16 479	19 490	2 060	16 479	19 490	2 060	
23	Capital charge for switch between trading book and banking book	-	-	-	-	-	-	
24	Operational risk	115059	115 059	14 382	73 504	73 504	9 188	
	Non-customer assets	28 783	25 519	3 598	16 014	16046	2 002	
25	Amounts below the thresholds for deduction (subject to 250% risk weight)	23 488	23 442	2 936	11 156	11270	1 395	
26	Floor adjustment (after application of transitional cap) $^{\scriptscriptstyle 3}$	7 610	7610	951	7 035	7 035	879	
27	Total(1+6+10+11+12+13+14+15+16+20+23+24+ 25+26+non-customer assets)	923058	931 524	115382	628392	629 980	78 549	

 $^{\scriptscriptstyle 3}$ Includes the operational risk floor.

¹ Absa Bank Limited includes subsidiary undertakings, special-purpose entities, joint ventures, associates and offshore holdings.

² The 2022 minimum total regulatory capital adequacy requirement of 12.5% includes the capital conservation buffer, Pillar 2A at zero percent and the D-SIB add-on but excludes the bank specific individual capital requirement (Pillar 2B add-on).



1.4 CR8: RWA flow statements of credit risk exposures under IRB

		a 31 March 2022 RWA amounts Rm	a 31 December 2021 RWA amounts Rm
1	RWA as at end of previous quarter	477415	474 696
2	Asset size	8 427	8 0 0 2
3	Asset quality	(2 2 3 8)	(532)
4	Model updates	(7 652)	(15 195)
5	Methodology and policy	-	-
6	Acquisitions and disposals	-	-
7	Foreign exchange movements	(2 760)	1186
8	Other ¹	(2196)	9 2 5 8
9	RWA as at end of reporting period	470 996	477 415

1.5 MR2: RWA flow statements of market risk exposures under IMA

		а	b	c 31 Ma n	d ch 2022	e	f
		Valueat risk (VaR) Rm	Stressed value atrisk (s VaR) R m	Incremental risk charge (IRC) Rm	Creditrisk mitigation (CRM) Rm	Other Rm	Total RWA Rm
1	RWA at previous quarter end	8 244	11 245	-	-	-	19 490
2	Movements in risk levels	(945)	(2066)	-	-	-	(3011)
3	Model updates/changes	-	-	-	-	-	-
4	Methodology and policy	-	-	-	-	-	-
5	Acquisitions and disposals	-	-	-	-	-	-
6	Other	-	-	-	-	-	-
7	RWA at end of reporting period	7 299	9 179	-	-	-	16 479
		а	b	C	d	е	f
				31 Decem	ber 2021		
		VaR	sVaR	IRC	CRM	Other	Total RWA
		Rm	Rm	Rm	Rm	Rm	Rm
1	RWA at previous quarter end	7814	11905	-	-	-	19719
2	Movements in risk levels	430	(660)	-	-	-	(229)
3	Model updates/changes	-	-	-	-	-	-
4	Methodology and policy	-	-	-	-	-	-
5	Acquisitions and disposals	-	-	-	-	-	-
6	Other	-	-	-	-	-	-
7	RWA at end of reporting period	8 2 4 4	11245	-	-	-	19 490

¹ Other reflects RWA movements on non-performing loans due to misalignment of the definition of default between IFRS 9 impairment and regulatory capital models.

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2. Leverage

Consistent with the treatment in table KM1, the leverage position below is shown on a regulatory basis.

2.1 LR1: Summary comparison of accounting assets versus leverage ratio exposure measure¹

		Gr	oup	Bank		
		a 31 March 2022	b 31 December 2021	a 31 March 2022	b 31 December 2021	
		Rm	Rm	Rm	Rm	
1	Total consolidated assets	1632126	1640833	1 363 524	1 350 998	
2	Adjustment for investments in banking, financial, insurance or commercial entities that are consolidated for accounting purposes but outside the scope of regulatory consolidation	(33 381)	(33 081)	-	-	
3	Adjustment for fiduciary assets recognised on the balance sheet pursuant to the operative accounting framework but excluded from the leverage ratio exposure measure	-	-	-	-	
4	Adjustments for derivative financial instruments	(1641)	(2 569)	(1429)	(2 5 2 6)	
5	Adjustments for securities financing transactions (i.e. repos and similar secured lending)	-	-	-	-	
6	Adjustments for off-balance sheet items (i.e. conversion to credit equivalent amounts of off-balance sheet exposures)	120 663	123674	98 130	99170	
7	Other adjustments	(12 615)	(12 568)	(11 922)	(11819)	
8	Leverage ratio exposure measure	1 705 152	1716289	1 4 4 8 3 0 3	1 435 823	

 $^{^{\}rm 1}\ensuremath{\,\text{Numbers}}$ reported are on a regulatory quarter-end basis.

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2. Leverage

2.2 LR2: Leverage ratio common disclosure template

		Group		Ba	ink	
		а	b	а	Ь	
			31 December		31 December 2021	
		2022 Rm	2021 Rm	2022 Rm	2021 Rm	
		KIII	1XIII	KIII	KIII	
	balance sheet exposures					
1	On-balance sheet exposures (excluding derivatives and securities financing transactions (SFTs), but including collateral) $^{ m 1}$	1 453 750	1461297	1221886	1212365	
2	(Asset amounts deducted in determining Basel III Tier 1 capital)	(12 615)	(12 568)	(11922)	(11819)	
3	Total on-balance sheet exposures (excluding derivatives and SFTs) (sum of rows 1	1 4 4 1 1 3 5	1 448 729	1 209 964	1 200 546	
	and 2) ¹					
Der	vative exposures					
4	Replacement cost associated with all derivative transactions (where applicable net of	41904	26071	40 780	25 428	
5	eligible cash variation margin and/ or with bilateral netting) Add-on amounts for potential future exposure (PFE) associated with all derivative	31 1 33	32 639	30 2 9 8	31834	
5	transactions	51 155	52 059	50290	51 054	
6	Gross-up for derivatives collateral provided where deducted from the balance sheet	-	-	-	-	
7	assets pursuant to the operative accounting framework	(4 7 0 1)	((102)	(4 701)		
7	(Deductions of receivable assets for cash variation margin provided in derivatives transactions) ¹	(4701)	(6103)	(4701)	(6103)	
8	(Exempted central counterparty (CCP) leg of client-cleared trade exposures)	-	-	-	-	
9	Adjusted effective notional amount of written credit derivative	5175	5 287	5175	5 287	
10	(Adjusted effective notional offsets and add-on deductions for written credit	-	-	-	-	
	derivatives)					
11	Total derivative exposures (sum of rows 4 to 10) ¹	73 511	57 894	71 552	56 446	
	urity financing transaction exposures	(0.0.10	05 000		70 (()	
12	Gross SFT assets (with no recognition of netting), after adjusting for sale accounting transactions	69 843	85 992	68 657	79661	
13	(Netted amounts of cash payables and cash receivables of gross SFT assets)	-	-	-	-	
14	CCR exposure for SFT assets	-	-	-	-	
15	Agent transaction exposures	-	-	-	-	
16	Total securities financing transaction exposures (sum of rows 12 to 15)	69 843	85 992	68 657	79661	
Oth	er off-balance sheet exposures					
17	Off-balance sheet exposures at gross notional amount	369 367	374 839	313 915	315 079	
18	(Adjustments for conversion to credit equivalent amounts)	(248 704)	(251165)	(215 785)	(215 909)	
19	Off-balance sheet items (sum of rows 17 and 18)	120 663	123 674	98130	99170	
	tal and total exposures					
20	Tier 1 capital (excluding unappropriated profits)	126 582	131059	89171	90 279	
21	Total exposures (sum of lines 3, 11, 16 and 19)	1705152	1716289	1448303	1 435 823	
	erage ratio	7 4	7 (()	()	
22	Basel III leverage ratio	7.4	7.6	6.2	6.3	

 $^{^{1}\,\}mbox{Prior}$ period restated with a move of the cash variation margin deduction from line 1 to line 7.

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3. Liquidity

3.1 LIQ1: Liquidity coverage ratio (LCR)

		а	b	а	b
		31 Mar	rch 2022	31 Decembe	er 2021
		Total		Total	
			Total weighted value (average)	unweighted value (average)	Total weighted value (average)
Gro	nb	Rm	Rm	Rm	Rm
Ніа	n-quality liquid assets (HQLA)				
1	Total HQLA		211 840		206 880
	houtflows		EILOIO		200000
2	Retail deposits and deposits from small business customers of which:	431674	33 319	435 400	33 4 4 8
3	Stable deposits	_	-	-	_
4	Less stable deposits	431674	33 319	435 400	33 4 4 8
5	Unsecured wholesale funding of which:	490 404	243 911	495 655	246 822
6	Operational deposits (all counterparties) and deposits in networks of cooperative banks	150 055	37 514	147 790	36 947
7	Non-operational deposits (all counterparties)	336 357	202 405	345 235	207 245
8	Unsecured debt	3 992	3 992	2 630	2 630
9	Secured wholesale funding		400		743
10	Additional requirements of which:	310 872	35 067	310 293	35881
11	Outflows related to derivative exposures and other collateral requirements	11 577	11577	12 418	12 418
12	Outflows related to loss of funding on debt products	-	-	-	-
13	Credit and liquidity facilities	299 295	23 490	297 875	23 463
14	Other contractual funding obligations	-	-	-	-
15	Other contingent funding obligations	149743	6 437	149 080	6 4 2 5
16	Total cash outflows (Sum of lines 2+5+9+10+14+15)		319134		323 319
Cas	h inflows				
17	Secured lending (e.g. reverse repos)	28 670	3 573	41836	6 5 6 0
18	Inflows from fully performing exposures	152 456	127 448	147 266	123 336
19	Other cash inflows	11880	10311	17 987	16348
20	Total cash inflows (Sum of lines 17-19)	193 006	141 332	207 089	146 244
		Total	weighted value	Total w	eighted value
High	n-quality liquid assets (HQLA)				

21	Total HQLA (Rm)

23 LCR (%) ¹ 119.1	116.8
22 Total net cash outflows (Rm) 177 802 1	

¹ The Group LCR reflects an aggregation of the Bank LCR and the ARO LCR. For this purpose, a simple average of the relevant three month-end data points is used in ARO, noting that, at a legal entity level, the ARO LCR is capped at 90% per the minimum regulatory requirements. For the Bank, the LCR was calculated as a simple average of 90 calendar-day LCR observations.



		а	b	а	b
		31 Ma	rch 2022	31 Decemb	er 2021
		Tota		Total	
			Total weighted		Total weighted
Ban		varue (average) Rm	value (average) Rm	value (average) Rm	value (average) Rm
Dali	Λ.	KIII	KIII	KIII	NIII
Hig	n-quality liquid assets (HQLA)				
1	TotalHQLA		186 662		182 584
Cas	h outflows				
2	Retail deposits and deposits from small business customers of which:	348 498	26171	350 282	26214
3	Stable deposits	-	-	-	-
4	Less stable deposits	348 498	26171	350 282	26214
5	Unsecured wholesale funding of which:	400 212	204 492	396 408	202 705
6	Operational deposits (all counterparties) and deposits in networks of cooperative banks	150 055	37 514	147 790	36 947
7	Non-operational deposits (all counterparties)	246 795	163616	246 572	163712
8	Unsecured debt	3 362	3 362	2 046	2 0 4 6
9	Secured wholesale funding		400		743
10	Additional requirements of which:	282 321	30 603	282 112	32 843
11	Outflows related to derivative exposures and other collateral requirements	9 567	9 567	11 854	11854
12	Outflows related to loss of funding on debt products	-	-	-	-
13	Credit and liquidity facilities	272 754	21036	270 258	20 989
14	Other contractual funding obligations	-	-	-	-
15	Other contingent funding obligations	124 445	5 385	122 430	5 2 9 8
16	Total cash outflows (Sum of lines 2+5+9+10+14+15)		267051		267 803
Cas	h inflows				
17	Secured lending (e.g. reverse repos)	28 670	3 573	41836	6 560
18	Inflows from fully performing exposures	123 371	103 856	126 054	106 874
19	Other cash inflows	8431	6862	9 303	7 664
20	Total cash inflows (Sum of lines 17-19)	160 472	114 291	177 193	121098
		Tota	weighted value	Total v	veighted value

High	n-quality liquid assets (HQLA)		
21	Total HQLA (Rm)	186 662	182 584
22	Total net cash outflows (Rm)	152 760	146 705
23	LCR (%)	122.2	124.5

 $^{^{\}rm 1}$ The Bank LCR was calculated as a simple average of 90 calendar-day LCR observations.

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4. Abbreviations and acronyms

А	
AIRB ARO ASF	advanced internal ratings-based approach Absa Regional Operations available stable funding
B	
Bank Basel	Absa Bank Limited Basel Capital Accord
C	
CAR CCP	capital adequacy requirement central counterparty
CCR	counterparty credit risk
CET1	common equity tier 1
CRM	credit risk mitigation
CVA	credit valuation adjustment
D	
D-SIBs	domestic systemically important banks
F FIRB	foundation internal ratings-based
G	
GRCMC	Group Risk and Capital Management Committee
Group	Absa Group Limited
G-SIBs	global systemically important banks
H HQLA	high quality liquid assets
1	····
IAA	internal assessment approach

LCR	liquidity coverage ratio
M MCR	minimum capital requirements
<mark>N</mark> NSFR	net stable funding ratio
P PFE	potential future exposure
R	
RBA RSF RWA	ratings-based approach required stable funding risk-weighted assets
S	
SA SA-CCR	standardised approach standardised approach for counterparty credit risk
SEC	securitisation
SFTs	securities financing transactions
sVaR	stressed value at risk
V	
VaR	value at risk

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IAA	internal assessment approach
IFRS	International Financial Reporting Standard(s)
IMA	internal models approach
IMM	internal model method
IRB	internal ratings-based
IRBA	internal ratings-based approach
IRC	incremental risk charge



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