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# **Climate Change Solutions**

# Overview

- Westpac Group has long recognised that climate change is one of the most significant issues that will impact the long-term prosperity of our
  economy and way of life.
- Westpac is one of 28 banks from around the world working to develop Principles for Responsible Banking aligning the purpose of banking
  with society's goals as expressed in the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and the Paris Climate Agreement as part of
  a United Nations Environment Programme Finance Initiative (UNEP FI).
- Westpac is focussed on providing finance to back Climate Change Solutions
  - Westpac's Climate Change Position Statement and Action Plan builds on our strong track record, outlining the next phase of actions we
    are taking to meet our commitment to operate in a manner consistent with limiting global warming to less than two degrees Celsius above
    pre-industrial levels. They also set our Climate Change Solutions financing targets required to remain on a credible pathway to net zero
    emissions by 2050.
  - We define Climate Change Solutions as technologies and practices that are consistent with the investment required to limit global warming to less than two degrees and address its impacts.<sup>1</sup>
  - Westpac's plan to provide finance to back Climate Change Solutions encompasses the total direct and indirect financing of customers' Climate Change Solutions activities.
- Westpac Climate Bonds
  - Westpac issues Climate Bonds as part of its commitment to facilitate up to \$3 billion in Climate Change Solutions by 2020.
  - The net proceeds of a Climate Bond are used to finance or maintain the finance for projects/assets which meet the requirements of the CBI standard (which is also aligned with the Green Bond Principles). The procedures outlined in our Climate Bond Framework set out the process for regular tracking of the Climate Bond issuance and asset allocation pool.
  - More information can be found at: <a href="https://www.westpac.com.au/about-westpac/investor-centre/fixed-income-investors/Climate-Bonds/">https://www.westpac.com.au/about-westpac/investor-centre/fixed-income-investors/Climate-Bonds/</a>

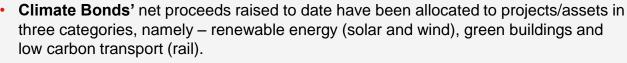


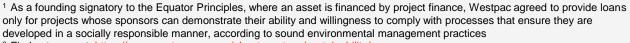
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> As per our scenario analysis and external sources such as the IPCC Fifth Assessment Report and Climate Bond Initiative's criteria.

# Climate Change Solutions

# Overview cont.

- Climate Change Solutions are assessed to comply with the Equator Principles<sup>1</sup> where the asset is financed by project finance.
- They have been identified as (but are not limited to)<sup>2</sup>:
  - Renewable energy;
  - Energy efficiency technologies;
  - Green buildings;
  - Low-emissions transport;
  - Waste:
  - Water;
  - Carbon abatement and sequestration projects;
  - Forestry and land rehabilitation;
  - Adaptation infrastructure.
- three categories, namely renewable energy (solar and wind), green buildings and low carbon transport (rail).





<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Find out more at https://www.westpac.com.au/about-westpac/sustainability/







# Climate Bond Issuance and Project/Asset Allocation

AGGREGATE STATISTICS (30/09/2018)							
Energy Efficiency	T	CE <sup>1</sup> (A\$m)	Drawn Amount <sup>2</sup> (A\$m)	Share of Climate Bond Pool <sup>3</sup> (%)			
Renewable Energy Projects (Solar)	235.0 184.0			7.8			
Renewable Energy Projects (Wind)		1,108.2 872.8		36.7			
Green Buildings		910.6	815.5	30.2			
Low Carbon Transport (Rail)		763.7	403.7	25.3			
Total		3017.5 <sup>4</sup>	2,276.0	100.0			
Outstanding Issuance (as at 30/09/18)	A	\$m Equivalent <sup>5</sup>	Original Currency (m)	Public/Private			
AUD senior 5 year due 2021		500.0	AUD 500.0	Public AUD MTN Benchmark			
USD senior 10 year due 2027		63.8	USD 50.0	Private Placement			
EUR senior 7 year due date 2024		754.0	EUR 500.0	Public EUR EMTN Benchmark			
AUD senior 5 year due date 2023		117.3	AUD 117.3	Public Uridashi			
Total		1,435.1					
Remaining Pool Capacity		1,582.4					
GREEN BUILDINGS				RENEWABLE ENERGY - WIND			
Customer	State	Description		Customer	State	Description	
321 Exhibition Street, Melbourne	VIC	6 Star NABERS Rating		Collgar Wind Farm	VIC	Direct lending and refinancing of existing asset.	
Green Building 1	ACT	5 Star NABERS Rating		Wind Asset 1	NSW	Project finance to support construction of wind farm	
Green Building 2	NSW	5 Star NABERS	Rating	Wind Asset 2	TAS	Project finance to support construction of wind farm	
55 Elizabeth Street, Brisbane	QLD	5.5 Star NABERS Rating		Gunning Wind Energy Developments Pty Ltd	WA	Direct lending and refinancing of existing asset.	
Horizon MP Management, 70 Eagle Street	QLD	5 Star NABERS Rating		Hallett 4 Wind Farm (North Brown Hill)	SA	Direct lending and refinancing of existing asset.	
Green Building 3	NSW	5 Star NABERS Rating		Hallett 5 Wind Farm (Bluff Range)		Direct lending and refinancing of existing asset.	
Green Building 4	NSW	5 Star NABERS Rating Expected		Infigen Energy Limited	NSW	Corporate lending over renewable portfolio.	
PGA Creek	QLD	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		Lal Lal Wind Farm		Project finance to support construction of wind farm	
Zenith Sub Trust, Chatswood	NSW	5 Star NABERS	Rating	Murra Warra Wind Farm	VIC	Support construction of the wind farm.	
				Oaklands Hill Wind Farm	VIC	Direct lending and refinancing of existing asset.	
				PARF Coopers Gap Wind Farm	QLD	Project finance to support construction of wind farm	
				PARF Silverton Wind Farm	NSW	Project finance to support construction of wind farm	
				Pyrenees Wind Energy Developments Pty Ltd	VIC	Direct lending and refinancing of existing asset.	
				Wind Asset 3	VIC	Support construction of the wind farm.	
				Tilt Renewables Group	AUST	Corporate lending over wholly renewable portfolio.	
				Wind Asset 4	VIC	Provides transmission infrastructure.	
				White Rock Wind Farm	NSW	Project finance to support operation of wind farm.	
LOW CARBON TRANSPORT (RAIL)			RENEWABLE ENERGY - SOLAR				
Customer	State	Description		Customer	State	Description	
Rail Asset 1	NSW	Rail station oper		Emerald Solar Farm	QLD	Project Finance for construction of solar farm.	
Evolution Rail	VIC		letro Trains ("HCMT").	Pacific Hydro Haughton Solar Farm	QLD	Project Finance for construction of solar farm.	
Rail Asset 2	NSW		green power mandate.			Direct lending and refinancing of existing asset.	
Rail Asset 3	NSW	Financing for Metro Train Tunnel.		Ross River Operations Trust	River Operations Trust QLD Project Financed 11		

#### Note

- ¹TCE (Total Committed Exposures) represent the lending commitment to fund the projects/assets.
- <sup>2</sup>The amount drawn against the lending commitment for each project/asset.
- <sup>3</sup> Share of Climate Bond Pool is calculated as % of TCE.

- <sup>4</sup>Total TCE is A\$232.7m less than audited FY18 TCE as Westpac has subsequently determined two assets which have become ineligible, and have removed these from the allocated pool.
- 5 FX rate used to derive the AUD equivalent is at the time of the Climate Bond issuance.



# Environmental Impacts – Green Buildings



 Green Buildings financed in part by Westpac Climate Bonds on average, have a 16% lower greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions intensity (kgCO<sub>2</sub>-e/m<sup>2</sup>) compared to the average Climate Bond Initiative (CBI) top 15% city emissions performance benchmark for energy efficiency.<sup>1</sup>

### **Environmental Impact Assessment Overview**

### As at 30 September 2018

Energy Efficiency	Total Committed Exposure A\$m	Share of Portfolio Financing (%)	Eligibility for Climate Bonds (%)	Average Portfolio Lifetime (Months) <sup>2</sup>	Net Lettable Area (m²)	Average Portfolio GHG Intensity (kgCO <sub>2</sub> -e/m²)	CBI Top 15% City Emissions Performance Benchmark (%)
Green Buildings	910.6	30.2	100	12.6	322,701.8	59.7	16.0
TOTAL	910.6	30.2	100	12.6	322,701.8	59.7	16.0

- Green Buildings make up 30.2% of the total share of portfolio financing as at 30 September 2018.
- Green Building financing varies across assets, and we have estimated Westpac's share of financing at 25-50%.
- Eligibility criteria is assessed in accordance with CBI sector-specific technical criteria.
- Each Green Building is assessed for its GHG intensity via published information on NABERS (if the building has been in operation for more than 1 year and has a NABERS rating). Where NABERS ratings and published information is not available, Westpac endeavours to use best estimates from asset owners such as engineer's reports. The average portfolio GHG intensity (kgCO<sub>2</sub>-e/m<sup>2</sup>) is then compared to the average CBI top 15% city emissions performance benchmark.
- CBI standard uses emission footprint baseline in a particular city representing the top 15% for carbon intensity (kgCO<sub>2</sub>-e/m<sup>2</sup>). Average city GHG intensity is 71.3 kgCO<sub>2</sub>-e/m<sup>2</sup> per year (using CBI calculator 2016-2027 duration).

#### Notes

- ¹ Average CBI top 15% city emissions performance benchmark includes only those cities relevant to the Green Buildings in Westpac's Climate Bond pool. The performance benchmark is linked to Westpac Climate Bond issuances' 10 year duration.
- Most projects are refinanced on a 5 yearly cycle, regardless of project lifetime.



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# Environmental Impacts – Renewable Energy



- Renewable energy (RE) projects financed in part by Westpac Climate Bonds have the potential to:
  - Generate 13.4 million megawatt hours (MWh) of clean energy.
  - Reduce annual GHG emissions by 11.0 million tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalents (tCO<sub>2</sub>-e).
  - Westpac's estimated share for renewable energy is 3.3 million tCO<sub>2</sub>-e avoided.

### **Environmental Impact Assessment Overview**

### As at 30 September 2018

Energy Efficiency	Total Committed Exposure A\$m	Share of Portfolio Financing (%)	Eligibility for Climate Bonds (%)	Average Portfolio Lifetime (Months) <sup>1</sup>	Capacity (MW)	Annual Energy Generation (MWh)	Annual GHG emissions avoided (tCO <sub>2</sub> -e)	Westpac's estimated proportion (tCO <sub>2</sub> -e)
RE Projects (Wind)	1,108.2	36.7	100	22.9	4,089.5	12,244,482.0	10,040,475.3	3,012,142.6
RE Projects (Solar)	235.0	7.8	100	29.1	439.0	1,137,067.1	932,395.0	279,718.5
TOTAL	1,343.2	44.5	100	52.0	4,528.5	13,381,549.1	10,972,870.3	3,291,861.1

- RE projects make up 44.5% of the total share of portfolio financing as at 30 September 2018. RE project financing is generally syndicated across several banks and Westpac's average share is approximately 30%.
- Energy generation for RE projects are based on actual or forecast<sup>2</sup> generation data (MWh/year) from either project/asset operating reports, due diligence reports or origination submissions CRG reports.
- Emission reductions (tCO<sub>2</sub>-e/MWh) is the Grid Connected Total for 2016-2017 of 0.82 multiplied by MWh Generated (annual). The GHG intensity is the sum of total emissions (tCO<sub>2</sub>-e) / Electricity Production (MWh) for the Grid Connected Total of the generation facilities (these are reported by National Greenhouse and Energy Reporting (NGER)).
- Where projects are still in construction, electricity generation (MWh/year) has been forecast and the NGER GHG intensity is applied.

#### Notes

- <sup>1</sup> Most projects are refinanced on a 5 yearly cycle, regardless of project lifetime.
- <sup>2</sup> Forecast data is based on P50 Predicted methodology.



# Environmental Impacts – Low Carbon Transport



- Low Carbon Transport (Rail) projects financed in part by Westpac Climate Bonds:
  - Have the potential to reduce annual GHG emissions by 112,864.5 tCO<sub>2</sub>-e.
  - Westpac's estimated share for low carbon transport is 33,057.1 of the total annual GHG emissions avoided.

### **Environmental Impact Assessment Overview**

### As at 30 September 2018

Energy Efficiency	Total Committed Exposure A\$m	Share of Portfolio Financing (%)	Eligibility for Climate Bonds (%)	Average Portfolio Lifetime (Months)¹	Annual GHG emissions avoided (tCO <sub>2</sub> -e)	Westpac's estimated proportion¹ (tCO <sub>2</sub> -e)
Low Carbon Transport (Rail)	763.7	25.3	100	46.4	112,864.5	33,057.1
TOTAL	763.7	25.3	100	46.4	112,864.5	33,057.1

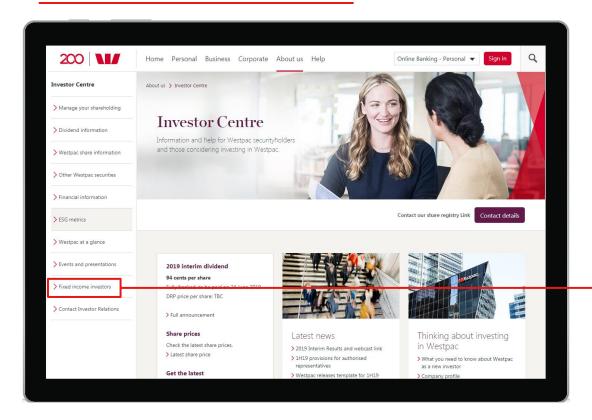
- Low Carbon Transport (Rail) projects make up 25.3% of the total share of portfolio financing as at 30 September 2018. The assets/projects in the Climate Bond pool relate
  to rail and are under construction or in operation.
- Low Carbon Transport financing is generally syndicated across several banks and we estimate Westpac's average share to be approximately 37%<sup>2</sup>.
- In estimating the GHG emissions avoided (tCO<sub>2</sub>-e), the focus was on the operational phase of the asset/project life cycle<sup>3</sup>. The estimated numbers are sourced from either the asset/projects' environmental effects statements or based on modal shift by comparing road transport GHG emissions per annum to passenger rail travel GHG emissions per annum<sup>4</sup>.

#### Notes

- Most projects are refinanced on a 5 yearly cycle, regardless of project lifetime.
- 2 Actual share of financing is used to estimate the proportion of emissions avoided if this data point is available, otherwise it is assumed that Westpac's share is 30%.
- 3 Where information is available on GHG emission intensity of the project during the construction phase, this has been included in estimate of the GHG emission avoided (tCO<sub>2</sub>-e).
- 4 The functional unit used for the modal shift is assumed to be150 grams CO<sub>2</sub> per passenger kilometres travelled (PKT) for cars and 90 grams CO<sub>2</sub> per PKT for national average passenger rail projected to 2030 (source: Transport for NSW).



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