

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

## WRITTEN QUESTION

Mrs Lambley to the Treasurer

**NT GOVERNMENT BORROWINGS FROM 1<sup>ST</sup> JANUARY 2019, INCLUDING  
1<sup>ST</sup> JANUARY 2016, 2017 AND 2018**

**1. What is the total amount of NT Government borrowings as of 1 January 2019?**

As at 1 January 2019, the Northern Territory Treasury Corporation had the following outstanding amounts recorded as Borrowings:

Borrowings	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
<b>Wholesale/Institutional Bond Market</b>					
Fixed interest securities	5 187 828	4 458 985	3 621 809	3 835 087	4 312 762
<b>Retail Bond Market</b>					
Territory Bonds	96 768	89 689	88 121	93 390	98 366
Migration Linked Bonds	750	750	1 000	500	1 500
<b>Commonwealth Loans</b>					
Credit foncier loans	208 736	216 170	223 273	230 062	236 549
<b>Total Borrowings</b>	<b>5 494 082</b>	<b>4 765 594</b>	<b>3 934 203</b>	<b>4 159 039</b>	<b>4 649 177</b>

**2. How does this compare with 1 January 2018, 1 January 2017, 1 January 2016 and 1 January 2015?**

Refer to table provided for Question 1.

**3. Who does the NT Government borrow money from?**

The Northern Territory Treasury Corporation is the central financing authority for the Northern Territory Government and is responsible for issuing loans and borrowings and managing the Central Holding Authority's investment portfolios.

The Northern Territory Government has a diverse group of funding sources, including domestic and international banks, and financing authorities. The Northern Territory Treasury Corporation uses a panel of financial intermediaries (banks) to raise funds on behalf of the Territory. The Northern Territory Treasury Corporation does this by issuing bonds into the Australian debt capital markets.

**3.1 What are the names of the institutions or funds?**

**3.2 What are the details of these institutions or funds?**

**3.3 What is the amount of money borrowed by the NT Government from each of these institutions and funds?**

The Northern Territory Treasury Corporation's bonds are bought by Australian and International institutional bond investors. While the Northern Territory Treasury Corporation cannot divulge specific names of those investors due to commercial-in-confidence restrictions, they are typically represented by the following:

- APRA registered authorised deposit-taking institutions – i.e. Australian banks/foreign banks/credit unions/ building societies as shown here:

<https://www.apra.gov.au/register-authorised-deposit-taking-institutions>

- APRA approved insurers - i.e. Australian/foreign general insurance & life companies as shown here: <https://www.apra.gov.au/register-general-insurance>
- Central Banks/Central Financing Authorities - <https://www.bis.org/cbanks.htm>
- Superannuation Funds - <https://www.superguide.com.au/comparing-super-funds/list-of-all-superannuation-funds>
- Fund Managers - <https://www.asx.com.au/mfund/fund-managers-responsible-entities.htm>

### 3.4 What are the interest rates?

### 3.5 What is the exact amounts of the loans?

### 3.6 What are the terms of the loans?

For answers to sub-questions 3.4, 3.5 and 3.6, refer to Question 4.

## 4. How many new loans have been made or extensions of existing loans during this time?

In recent years, the Northern Territory Treasury Corporation has developed a series of benchmark bond issues across a number of maturities which have a minimum of A\$200 million on issue. These bond series have been established to meet institutional investor demand for greater liquidity and to promote market awareness.

In terms of borrowing activity, NTTC has issued a number of new institutional bond lines as well as increases to a number of existing bonds lines in recent years. Details are provided in the table below:

<b>Institutional Bond issues during 2018-19</b>					
<b>Issue Date</b>		<b>Amount Issued (\$M)</b>	<b>Maturity Date</b>	<b>Coupon (%)</b>	<b>Yield (%)</b>
August 2018	New line	500	21 May 2030	3.50	3.44
January 2019	New line	600	21 April 2027	2.75	2.97
<b>Total – (FYTD)</b>		<b>1 100</b>			
<b>Institutional Bond issues during 2017-18</b>					
<b>Issue Date</b>		<b>Amount Issued (\$M)</b>	<b>Maturity Date</b>	<b>Coupon (%)</b>	<b>Yield (%)</b>
August 2017	New line	500	21 November 2022	2.50	2.65
October 2017	New line	500	21 April 2028	3.50	3.53
November 2017	New line	155	21 November 2042	4.10	4.12
January 2018	Increase to existing	70	21 November 2042	4.10	4.22
February 2018	New line	150	21 April 2033	3.75	3.85
March 2018	Increase to existing	55	21 April 2033	3.75	3.64
April 2018	Increase to existing	60	21 November 2042	4.10	4.12
May 2018	Increase to existing	250	21 April 2028	3.50	3.40
<b>Total</b>		<b>1 740</b>			
<b>Institutional Bond issues during 2016-17</b>					
<b>Issue Date</b>		<b>Amount Issued (\$M)</b>	<b>Maturity Date</b>	<b>Coupon (%)</b>	<b>Yield (%)</b>
October 2016	New line	300	21 October 2024	2.75	2.79
February 2017	Increase to existing	200	21 October 2024	2.75	3.20
<b>Total</b>		<b>500</b>			

NTTC did not issue any Institutional bonds during 2015-16.

As at 31 March 2019, the Northern Territory Treasury Corporation currently has 10 benchmark bond issues:

