AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND BANKING GROUP LTD Form 6-K November 22, 2005

# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

### FORM 6-K

#### REPORT OF FOREIGN ISSUER

# PURSUANT TO RULE 13A-16 OR 15D-16 OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the Month of November 2005

# **Australia and New Zealand Banking Group Limited**

ACN 005 357 522

(Translation of registrant s name into English)

Level 6, 100 Queen Street Melbourne Victoria 3000 Australia

(Address of principal executive offices)

 $Indicate\ by\ check\ mark\ whether\ the\ registrant\ files\ or\ will\ file\ annual\ reports\ under\ cover\ of\ Form\ 20-F\ or\ Form\ 40-F.$ 

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For Release: 31 October 2005

#### **APRA Monthly Banking Statistics**

ANZ today confirmed the *Monthly Banking Statistics* for September 2005, to be released today by the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority (APRA), will contain a reclassification of ANZ s Mortgage Equity Manager Loans.

ANZ had previously classified A\$7.8 billion in Equity Manager Loans as Households Other Credit . However, to bring ANZ s classification into line with industry practice ANZ is now reporting the substantial majority of Equity Manager Loans as Households Housing . The balances transferred are:

|         |                | September | August |
|---------|----------------|-----------|--------|
| Housing | owner occupied | 4,521     | 4,478  |
| Housing | investment     | 3,314     | 3,283  |
| Total   |                | 7.835     | 7.761  |

The change is a reclassification only and does not change total lending performance. ANZ is currently working with APRA to restate prior period balances based on the reclassification.

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#### Advice of Dividend and AGM Dates for 2005 and 2006

As previously announced, the 2005 Final Dividend and 2005 Annual General Meeting dates are as follows:

#### 2005 Final Dividend

Ex-Date: 8 November 2005 Record Date: 14 November 2005 Payment Date: 16 December 2005

#### 2005 Annual General Meeting

The 2005 Annual General Meeting of the Company will be held in Adelaide on Friday, 16 December 2005.

In addition, Australia and New Zealand Banking Group Limited advises the following proposed dates for 2006. These dates may be subject to change. If a decision is made to change any dates, the Australian Stock Exchange will be notified accordingly.

#### 2006 Interim Dividend

Announcement of interim results: 27 April 2006
Ex-Date: 15 May 2006
Record Date: 19 May 2006
Payment Date: 3 July 2006

#### 2006 Final Dividend

Announcement of annual results: 26 October 2006
Ex-Date: 9 November 2006
Record Date: 15 November 2006
Payment Date: 15 December 2006

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| For Release: 8 November 2005  |
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| ANZ appoints new Head of Diversity  |
| ANZ today announced the appointment of Ms Fiona Krautil as Head of Diversity reporting to Mr Shane Freeman, Group General Manager People Capital.   |
| From 1999 to 2004 Ms Krautil was Director of the Equal Opportunity for Women in the Workplace Agency, the Australian Government s agency for the advancement of women in the workplace. Since 2004, Ms Krautil has been Chief Executive Officer for the Asthma Foundation of NSW. |
| Commenting on the appointment Mr Freeman said: We have already made good progress in advancing our agenda around diversity and women in the workplace having been named the Leading Organisation for the Advancement of Women* this year by the Australian Government.            |
| There is however still a great deal to do and Fiona s background and her passion for the advancement of diversity and women in the workplace ideally matched to the challenge ANZ has in taking our agenda to the next level, he said.  |
| Ms Krautil will commence in early January 2006 and will be based in Sydney.   |
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<sup>\*</sup> For organisations of more than 500 employees.

#### Signatures

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Australia and New Zealand Banking Group Limited (Registrant)

By: /s/ John Priestley

John Priestley Company Secretary

Date 21 November 2005