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UK Finance: Household Finance Update for August 2019

Key data highlights:

Gross mortgage lending across the residential market in August 2019 was £24 billion, 3.2 per cent lower than in the same month in 2018 (see chart 2).

There were 85,931 mortgages approved by the main high street banks in August 2019. Mortgage approvals for home purchase were 3.2 per cent higher, remortgage approvals were 0.1 per cent higher and approvals for other secured borrowing were 0.4 per cent lower than in the same month a year earlier (see chart 3).

The £11.0 billion of credit card spending in August 2019 was one per cent higher than in August 2018 (see chart 4). Repayments have remained in line with credit card spending, showing that consumers are managing their finances effectively overall. The level of credit card borrowing grew by 3.3 per cent in the year to August 2019.

Personal borrowing through loans in August 2019 was 4.5 per cent higher than in the same month a year earlier (see chart 5). Overdraft borrowing was 1.2 per cent higher in August 2019 than in the same month a year earlier, while the longer-term trend has seen overdraft borrowing decline.

Personal deposits grew by 1.4 per cent in the year to August 2019. Three-quarters of deposits were held in immediate access accounts in August 2019, in line with the same period last year (see chart 7).

Notes to Editors

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- 2 UK Finance is the collective voice for the banking and finance industry. Representing more than 250 firms across the industry, we act to enhance competitiveness, support customers and facilitate innovation.
- 3 Data in this update referred to as main high street banks reflects more than two-thirds of all UK lending and deposit activity provided by all banks and building societies and is indicative of household behaviour. All data in this update refers to high street banks, apart from gross mortgage lending for the residential market referred to the first bullet above which covers the total market.

Latest (August 2019) **Household borrowing** Full market -10% mortgages 8% Full market -Rates reflect underlying Chart 1 consumer credit 6% 12-month trends, Annual growth in compiled on a 4% amounts outstanding High street banks comparable basis 2.4% mortgages 2% High street banks -0% 4.3% Aug-17 Dec-17 Aug-18 Dec-18 Apr-19 Aug-19 consumer credit **Mortgages** 30,000 25.000 Value of new residential £24.0 bn -3.2% Full market 20.000 mortgage loans for home 15.000 Chart 2 purchase, remortgaging 10,000 Gross mortgage lending or other purposes, secured by a first charge 5,000 £16.1 bn 4.2% on the property High street banks Dec-17 Dec-18 Apr-19 Latest (August 2019) 100.000 Other secured Number of new 9.484 -0.4% lending residential mortgage loans approved by high street banks for home Chart 3 purchase, remortgaging 40.000 Remortgaging 32.490 0.1% Mortgage approvals with a different lender or for other purposes, less cancellations. Approvals are a forward indicator of lending in future months 43,957 3.2% House purchase Latest (August 2019) **Consumer credit** 25,000 20,000 Value of world-wide credit Full market 15.000 card transactions by UK Chart 4 cardholders using cards 10.000 issued by UK banks, Credit card spending building societies or non-5.000 £11.0 bn 1.0% bank credit providers High street banks Aug-17 Dec-17 Apr-18 Aug-18 Dec-18 Apr-19 Aug-19 Latest (August 2019) 2 000 1.600 1,200 Value of new personal Chart 5 800 loans provided by high High street banks £1.7 bn 4.5% Gross personal loans street banks 400 Aug-18 Dec-18 Latest (August 2019) 7,100 6,700 Sterling amounts outstanding on personal Chart 6 6.300 current account High street banks £6.4 bn 1.2% Overdrafts overdrafts with high street banks 5.500 Aug-17 Dec-17 Apr-18 Aug-18 Dec-18 Apr-19 Aug-19



Mortgages		Aug-18	Sep-18	Oct-18	Nov-18	Dec-18	Jan-19	Feb-19	Mar-19	Apr-19	May-19	Jun-19	Jul-19	Aug-19	
Gross mortgage lending (£mns)	Full market	24,781	21,500	25,829	23,985	20,959	21,988	19,247	19,360	20,817	22,173	21,516	24,362	24,000	BOE/ est
	High street banks	15,474	13,032	15,962	14,524	12,454	13,447	11,251	11,422	12,326	14,006	14,062	16,073	16,122	HSB
Mortgage approvals	Home purchase	42,581	37,348	45,289	40,800	26,145	29,159	33,621	42,328	44,034	49,683	48,539	51,160	43,957	HP
	Remortgaging	32,457	27,676	33,505	30,736	20,653	23,618	24,281	30,063	29,014	30,579	29,415	33,792	32,490	R
	Other loans	9,519	8,614	9,619	8,591	5,634	8,353	8,352	9,239	8,557	9,712	9,059	10,174	9,484	OL
Annual growth in mortgage amounts outstanding	Full market	3.3%	3.3%	3.3%	3.2%	3.2%	3.2%	3.2%	3.2%	3.2%	3.2%	3.1%	3.2%		BOE
	High street banks	2.6%	2.5%	2.4%	2.4%	2.2%	2.1%	1.9%	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%	1.9%	2.1%	2.4%	Growth
Consumer credit		Aug-18	Sep-18	Oct-18	Nov-18	Dec-18	Jan-19	Feb-19	Mar-19	Apr-19	May-19	Jun-19	Jul-19	Aug-19	
Annual growth in consumer credit	Full market	8.2%	7.9%	7.4%	7.1%	6.6%	6.6%	6.5%	6.4%	6.0%	5.7%	5.5%	5.5%		BOE
	High street banks	3.9%	3.9%	3.7%	3.7%	3.8%	3.6%	3.5%	4.2%	3.8%	4.1%	4.1%	4.4%	4.3%	Growth
Credit card spending (£mns)	Full market	17,755	16,368	18,450	18,391	18,157	17,612	15,754	17,107	18,428	18,473	17,193	19,363		BOE
	High street banks	10,887	9,974	11,311	11,271	11,034	10,823	9,716	10,532	11,373	11,299	10,487	12,014	10,998	HSB
Annual growth in credit card credit amounts outstanding	Full market	8.9%	8.6%	8.2%	7.8%	7.0%	6.5%	6.3%	6.6%	5.8%	5.5%	5.1%	5.3%		BOE
	High street banks	5.7%	5.5%	5.1%	4.8%	4.2%	3.8%	3.7%	4.3%	4.1%	4.3%	4.0%	3.8%	3.3%	Growth
Gross & net personal loans (£mns)	High street banks	1,621	1,511	1,582	1,512	1,160	1,846	1,652	1,729	1,609	1,743	1,664	1,800	1,694	gross
		-40	-150	-115	-142	-316	185	25	-32	-90	94	111	199	124	Net
Overdrafts (£mns)	High street banks	6,303	6,159	6,487	6,248	6,709	6,575	6,453	6,307	6,382	6,254	6,223	6,617	6,381	O/S
		-157	-142	330	-230	467	-128	-106	-140	85	-121	-25	409	-227	Net
Annual growth in loan & overdraft amounts outstanding (£mns)	High street banks	44,042	43,735	43,935	43,501	43,615	43,630	43,447	43,231	43,162	43,089	43,134	43,643	43,472	O/S
	High street banks	-197	-292	214	-371	151	57	-81	-173	-5	-28	86	608	-103	Net
	Full market	7.9%	7.5%	7.0%	6.8%	6.4%	6.7%	6.6%	6.3%	6.1%	5.7%	5.7%	5.6%		BOE
	High street banks	2.0%	2.3%	2.4%	2.6%	3.3%	3.4%	3.3%	4.0%	3.5%	3.9%	4.3%	4.9%	5.4%	Growth
Personal deposits & savings		Aug-18	Sep-18	Oct-18	Nov-18	Dec-18	Jan-19	Feb-19	Mar-19	Apr-19	May-19	Jun-19	Jul-19	Aug-19	
Personal deposits (£mns)		847,041	848,597	843,763	847,937	848,611	838,285	842,690	849,297	849,497	854,278	858,123	854,214	859,926	O/S
of which instant access	High street banks	645,644	647,663	644,261	650,041	651,600	642,271	646,684	652,090	649,566	654,629	658,764	655,819	662,151	O/S
of which notice or time		201,397	200,934	199,501	197,895	197,011	196,013	196,007	197,207	199,930	199,650	199,358	198,395	197,775	O/S
		1.2%	0.9%	0.7%	0.7%	0.6%	0.4%	0.6%	0.4%	0.9%	1.2%	1.3%	1.6%	1.4%	Growth
ISAs (included above) (£mns)	Full market	276,605	276,851	276,953	276,725	276,881	277,032	277,608	281,396	288,185	289,582	290,679	290,558		BOE
	High street banks	153,203	152,794	152,329	151,730	151,603	151,227	150,941	152,373	155,191	154,522	155,027	154,503	154,061	O/S

Data included in this update relate to business conducted with the banking groups of Barclays, Lloyds, HSBC, RBS, Santander UK, TSB and Virgin Money, other than for gross mortgage lending, see below.

Gross mortgage lending reflects the total value of newly advanced loans secured on dwellings by all mortgage lenders and is estimated for the latest month by UK Finance - earlier figures and other references to full market data (ie all banks and building societies) are sourced from the Bank of England but are not yet published for the latest month.

Annual growth rates are adjusted to exclude the effects of population changes, write-offs and sales/purchases of loan books, to reflect underlying business trends where appropriate and are based on seasonally adjusted data, while all other data series are non-seasonally adjusted.

Total consumer credit and non-card consumer credit growth rates have revised in March 2018 to show the estimated underlying growth in on-going business, after reflecting a group restructure of balance sheet allocation of personal lending.

Year-on-year percentage changes compare the latest month's figure with the same month's figure in the previous year.

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