## Forecast Table - May 2020 - 'Baseline' Scenario

This table provides additional detail on key macroeconomic variables presented in the 'baseline' scenario in the May 2020 *Statement on Monetary Policy*.

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Percentage change over year to quarter shown(b)

|  | Dec<br>2019 | Jun<br>2020 | Dec<br>2020 | Jun<br>2021 | Dec<br>2021 | Jun<br>2022 |
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Gross domestic product                       | 2.2         | -8          | -6          | 7           | 6           | 5           |
| Household consumption                        | 1.2         | -15         | -9          | 13          | 9           | 5           |
| Dwelling investment                          | -9.7        | -17         | -13         | 2           | 6           | 10          |
| Business investment                          | -1.2        | -8          | -13         | -6          | 4           | 8           |
| Public demand                                | 4.7         | 5           | 2           | 0           | 2           | 3           |
| Gross national expenditure                   | 1.2         | -9          | -7          | 7           | 7           | 5           |
| Imports                                      | -1.5        | -14         | -11         | 13          | 13          | 6           |
| Exports                                      | 3.4         | -10         | -7          | 14          | 12          | 4           |
| Real household disposable income             | 1.8         | -8          | -8          | 6           | 8           | 6           |
| Terms of trade                               | -0.6        | -4          | -7          | -9          | -2          | -2          |
| Major trading partner (export-weighted) GDP  | 3.2         | -6          | 0           | 10          | 5           | 4           |
| Unemployment rate (quarterly, %)             | 5.2         | 10          | 9           | 8½          | 7½          | 6½          |
| Employment                                   | 2.0         | -7          | -7          | 4           | 6           | 5           |
| Wage price index                             | 2.2         | 2           | 1½          | 1½          | 13/4        | 2           |
| Nominal (non-farm) average earnings per hour | 3.1         | 73/4        | -1/4        | -53/4       | 2½          | 4           |
| Trimmed mean inflation                       | 1.6         | 1½          | 11/4        | 11/4        | 11/4        | 1½          |
| Consumer price index                         | 1.8         | -1          | 1/4         | 23/4        | 11⁄4        | 1½          |

<sup>(</sup>a) The cash rate is assumed to remain at its current level, with other elements of the Bank's monetary stimulus package, including the 0.25 per cent target for the 3-year government bond yield, assumed to remain consistent with current settings. Other technical assumptions include the TWI at 57, A\$ at U\$\$0.64 and Brent crude oil price at U\$\$35 per barrel; shaded regions are historical data.

Sources: ABS; CEIC Data; Refinitiv; RBA

<sup>(</sup>b) Rounding varies: economic activity variables rounded to the nearest whole number; unemployment rate to the nearest half point; wages and prices variables to the nearest quarter point