

Corrigendum Global Wealth Report 2015

New Zealand wealth data

In March 2015, the Reserve Bank of New Zealand (RBNZ) announced revised balance sheet estimates of household wealth for New Zealand. As a consequence, total financial assets roughly doubled in value (see http://www.rbnz.govt.nz/news/2015/bank-revises-household-statistics-mar-2015.html).

Incorrect exchange rates were used to transcribe the new balance sheet figures, causing the wealth data for New Zealand to be exaggerated in the Credit Suisse Global Wealth Databook 2015. Correcting for this error produces the revised figures below. The RBNZ revaluation this year has still raised total net worth and net worth per adult by about 50% compared to the figures reported a year ago in the Credit Suisse Global Wealth Databook 2014; but the new figures are only 60% of the levels reported in the Global Wealth Databook 2015.

Revised wealth estimates for New Zealand

| | | Ass | ets and deb | t per adult (U | ISD) | Tota | l assets and | debts (USD | Share of gross wealth (%) | | | | |
|------|---------|--------------|------------------|-----------------------------|-------------|--------------|------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|------------------|-----------------------------|-------------|--|
| Year | Quarter | Net worth | Financial assets | Non- financial assets | Liabilities | Net worth | Financial assets | Non- financial assets | Liabilities | Financial assets | Non- financial assets | Liabilities | |
| 2000 | 4 | 67,052 | 40,116 | 37,615 | 10,680 | 182 | 109 | 102 | 29 | 51.6 | 48.4 | 13.7 | |
| 2001 | 4 | 64,429 | 37,934 | 37,157 | 10,662 | 177 | 104 | 102 | 29 | 50.5 | 49.5 | 14.2 | |
| 2002 | 4 | 90,343 | 51,755 | 53,194 | 14,607 | 252 | 144 | 148 | 41 | 49.3 | 50.7 | 13.9 | |
| 2003 | 4 | 137,941 | 73,747 | 84,852 | 20,658 | 391 | 209 | 240 | 59 | 46.5 | 53.5 | 13.0 | |
| 2004 | 4 | 164,939 | 83,998 | 107,037 | 26,096 | 475 | 242 | 308 | 75 | 44.0 | 56.0 | 13.7 | |
| 2005 | 4 | 179,884 | 90,170 | 118,019 | 28,305 | 525 | 263 | 345 | 83 | 43.3 | 56.7 | 13.6 | |
| 2006 | 4 | 208,179 | 107,680 | 133,345 | 32,846 | 616 | 319 | 395 | 97 | 44.7 | 55.3 | 13.6 | |
| 2007 | 4 | 237,538 | 119,221 | 158,381 | 40,063 | 712 | 358 | 475 | 120 | 42.9 | 57.1 | 14.4 | |
| 2008 | 4 | 163,867 | 86,415 | 108,257 | 30,806 | 498 | 262 | 329 | 94 | 44.4 | 55.6 | 15.8 | |
| 2009 | 4 | 214,899 | 111,902 | 142,186 | 39,189 | 661 | 344 | 437 | 121 | 44.0 | 56.0 | 15.4 | |
| 2010 | 4 | 215,958 | 115,467 | 139,999 | 39,507 | 672 | 360 | 436 | 123 | 45.2 | 54.8 | 15.5 | |
| 2011 | 4 | 238,286 | 129,969 | 150,295 | 41,978 | 752 | 410 | 474 | 132 | 46.4 | 53.6 | 15.0 | |
| 2012 | 4 | 265,402 | 142,772 | 168,313 | 45,683 | 848 | 456 | 538 | 146 | 45.9 | 54.1 | 14.7 | |
| 2013 | 4 | 285,727 | 150,185 | 183,646 | 48,103 | 924 | 486 | 594 | 156 | 45.0 | 55.0 | 14.4 | |
| 2014 | 2 | 305,708 | 160,571 | 196,748 | 51,611 | 995 | 522 | 640 | 168 | 44.9 | 55.1 | 14.4 | |
| 2014 | 4 | 283,176 | 146,854 | 183,290 | 46,968 | 927 | 481 | 600 | 154 | 44.5 | 55.5 | 14.2 | |
| 2015 | 2 | 252,749 | 127,406 | 166,757 | 41,415 | 832 | 419 | 549 | 136 | 43.3 | 56.7 | 14.1 | |

Source: James Davies, Rodrigo Lluberas and Anthony Shorrocks, Credit Suisse Global Wealth Databook 2015

Median wealth per adult

This year, bunching of the wealth sample in the vicinity of the median created unintended variations in median wealth per adult, affecting roughly 10% of the values to a significant degree. The table below provides revised consistent time series for median wealth for the most important countries. The median wealth estimates for mid-2015 remain unchanged except for the figures for New Zealand, which reflect lower average wealth than that reported in the Global Wealth Databook.



Median wealth per adult (in USD) for selected countries, 2000-2015

| Median wealth per adult | 2000/4 | 2001/4 | 2002/4 | 2003/4 | 2004/4 | 2005/4 | 2006/4 | 2007/4 | 2008/4 | 2009/4 | 2010/4 | 2011/4 | 2012/4 | 2013/4 | 2014/2 | 2014/4 | 2015/2 |
|-------------------------|--------|--------|--------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Australia | 47,810 | 47,477 | 57,498 | 81,466 | 95,267 | 95,624 | 114,018 | 142,113 | 111,328 | 135,582 | 157,267 | 178,969 | 193,159 | 186,882 | 195,268 | 176,731 | 168,291 |
| Austria | 31,880 | 31,004 | 36,346 | 47,706 | 54,552 | 51,785 | 59,505 | 69,340 | 61,242 | 65,739 | 63,582 | 66,671 | 71,705 | 77,196 | 80,283 | 71,138 | 66,617 |
| Belgium | 85,575 | 81,361 | 87,637 | 113,835 | 130,579 | 123,514 | 143,009 | 164,716 | 140,811 | 157,130 | 149,962 | 147,432 | 158,957 | 171,906 | 178,138 | 159,081 | 150,348 |
| Brazil | 1,767 | 1,773 | 1,712 | 1,917 | 1,880 | 2,318 | 2,922 | 3,825 | 3,258 | 4,926 | 5,283 | 5,659 | 4,881 | 4,189 | 4,533 | 3,813 | 3,311 |
| Bulgaria | 2,132 | 2,311 | 2,877 | 4,024 | 4,892 | 5,083 | 6,952 | 9,934 | 8,825 | 8,445 | 8,265 | 8,572 | 9,145 | 10,928 | 11,087 | 9,260 | 8,542 |
| Canada | 29,576 | 28,110 | 29,070 | 38,021 | 44,467 | 50,908 | 56,106 | 70,078 | 53,208 | 65,913 | 71,734 | 70,751 | 79,758 | 80,475 | 83,914 | 78,928 | 74,750 |
| Chile | 6,177 | 6,126 | 6,566 | 7,756 | 8,546 | 11,596 | 13,749 | 17,221 | 13,108 | 16,901 | 17,150 | 16,429 | 18,228 | 16,537 | 15,779 | 14,556 | 13,503 |
| China | 2,804 | 2,917 | 3,504 | 4,183 | 4,395 | 4,376 | 5,479 | 7,008 | 5,550 | 6,642 | 7,008 | 7,362 | 7,249 | 7,556 | 7,264 | 7,254 | 7,357 |
| Colombia | 1,654 | 1,646 | 1,841 | 1,985 | 2,392 | 2,803 | 3,246 | 4,398 | 4,105 | 4,820 | 5,101 | 5,511 | 6,473 | 6,192 | 7,670 | 6,186 | 5,765 |
| Croatia | 4,618 | 5,617 | 6,874 | 9,099 | 11,042 | 11,114 | 13,399 | 17,133 | 15,653 | 15,220 | 14,950 | 14,103 | 14,441 | 14,823 | 15,047 | 12,937 | 11,974 |
| Cyprus | 19,589 | 17,331 | 21,785 | 27,079 | 31,091 | 29,339 | 24,031 | 29,354 | 31,942 | 33,681 | 29,057 | 27,154 | 28,672 | 31,479 | 29,841 | 25,698 | 25,559 |
| Czech Republic | 4,837 | 5,266 | 6,690 | 8,141 | 9,773 | 9,355 | 12,943 | 15,659 | 15,324 | 16,466 | 17,447 | 17,271 | 18,007 | 17,438 | 17,516 | 15,369 | 14,256 |
| Denmark | 20,585 | 20,338 | 25,056 | 32,198 | 38,778 | 41,775 | 49,141 | 56,507 | 49,021 | 52,756 | 53,773 | 53,060 | 58,259 | 60,202 | 60,194 | 53,717 | 51,854 |
| Estonia | 3,863 | 4,041 | 5,638 | 7,865 | 9,940 | 11,067 | 16,022 | 21,625 | 18,289 | 17,648 | 17,809 | 15,187 | 17,801 | 22,030 | 22,595 | 20,296 | 18,640 |
| Finland | 39,606 | 38,896 | 45,717 | 62,624 | 71,053 | 69,505 | 80,126 | 93,380 | 79,321 | 80,185 | 75,979 | 71,376 | 72,822 | 78,816 | 78,752 | 68,041 | 62,729 |
| France | 32,579 | 33,109 | 43,305 | 58,931 | 73,811 | 72,877 | 90,155 | 107,337 | 97,719 | 100,423 | 100,233 | 98.673 | 101,528 | 104,561 | 106.282 | 92,206 | 86,156 |
| Germany | 21,314 | 21,011 | 25,508 | 32,605 | 37,223 | 34,308 | 41,001 | 48,547 | 46,522 | 48,475 | 46,670 | 45,394 | 48,457 | 52,384 | 51,691 | 46,233 | 43,898 |
| Greece | 28,521 | 27,694 | 33,498 | 45,972 | 54,345 | 55,864 | 65,986 | 77,536 | 64,914 | 66,523 | 57,369 | 51,850 | 50,183 | 52,598 | 48,351 | 40,802 | 38,552 |
| Hungary | 6,720 | 7,683 | 10,224 | 11.745 | 14,584 | 13,277 | 16,245 | 19,431 | 18,253 | 19.102 | 18,450 | 15,151 | 17,536 | 18,925 | 20,114 | 18.002 | 17,362 |
| India | 579 | 572 | 637 | 786 | 830 | 842 | 958 | 1,208 | 868 | 979 | 1,156 | 986 | 994 | 884 | 917 | 876 | 868 |
| Indonesia | 573 | 568 | 816 | 1,116 | 1,219 | 1,229 | 1,635 | 2,122 | 1,849 | 2,262 | 2,505 | 2,465 | 2,321 | 1,846 | 1,878 | 1,773 | 1,615 |
| Ireland | 29,784 | 31,365 | 38.017 | 51,679 | 57,830 | 56,537 | 65,664 | 72,998 | 61.760 | 63,013 | 58,855 | 58,567 | 62,916 | 70,429 | 74,678 | 68,706 | 64,444 |
| Israel | 28,516 | 23,133 | 21,788 | 28,133 | 29,794 | 31,235 | 33,987 | 41,966 | 36,970 | 46,479 | 40,266 | 38,804 | 41,075 | 45,298 | 46,671 | 40,200 | 41,926 |
| Italy | 52,601 | 51,879 | 65,514 | 84,383 | 97,528 | 90,521 | 107,972 | , | , | , | 113,977 | , | 107.407 | , | | 94,549 | 88,603 |
| Japan | 93,846 | 78,862 | 83,816 | 94,609 | 96,224 | 87,756 | 88,576 | 89,155 | , | , | 113,845 | , | 124,337 | 106,683 | | 97,199 | 96,071 |
| Korea | 14,495 | 16,234 | 17,383 | 20,024 | 22,361 | 25,594 | 30,498 | 34,385 | 23,330 | 27,116 | 29,517 | 28,904 | 31,635 | 32,192 | 34,057 | 31,716 | 31,259 |
| Lithuania | 2,324 | 2,344 | 3,105 | 4,212 | 5,168 | 5,222 | 6,230 | 7,842 | 8,352 | 7,479 | 7,004 | 7,649 | 8,335 | 9,154 | 9,536 | 8,714 | 8,333 |
| Mexico | 4,932 | 5,510 | 5,943 | 6,665 | 7,244 | 8,069 | 9,508 | 10,709 | 8,661 | 9,988 | 10,564 | 8,993 | 9,971 | 9,832 | 9,907 | 8,492 | 7,978 |
| Netherlands | 44,321 | 40,953 | 46,865 | 59,575 | 68,179 | 64,106 | 75,229 | 87,507 | 73,456 | 81,827 | 79,791 | 78,165 | 83,419 | 80,748 | 85,366 | 80,528 | 74,659 |
| New Zealand | 26,669 | 25,782 | 36,282 | 55,586 | 66,810 | 73,287 | 85,292 | 97,885 | 67,987 | 90,807 | 92,870 | , | | 129,046 | | 129,689 | 116,370 |
| Norway | 40,286 | 39,508 | 50,139 | 67,647 | 76,253 | 80,306 | 92,129 | 126,243 | , | 137,162 | 122,786 | 128,607 | , | , | | 121,962 | |
| Poland | 2,710 | 3,059 | 3,660 | 4,275 | 5,103 | 6,106 | 7,652 | 9,825 | 8,974 | 10,216 | 10,088 | 8,890 | 10,229 | 11,309 | 11,202 | 9,543 | 9,112 |
| Portugal | 18,162 | 17,256 | 20,379 | 26,580 | 30,855 | 29,048 | 33,940 | 39,891 | 35,401 | 37,032 | 34.320 | 32,581 | 32,879 | 35,186 | 33,474 | 29,517 | 27,297 |
| Romania | 1,641 | 1,711 | 2,091 | 2,903 | 3,814 | 4,926 | 6,070 | 9,019 | 6,361 | 6,791 | 8,077 | 5,432 | 5,800 | 6,952 | 6,414 | 5,673 | 5,191 |
| Russia | 640 | 863 | 1,159 | 1,560 | 2,066 | 2,572 | 3,782 | 5,588 | 4,713 | 4,368 | 4,747 | 3,504 | 3,534 | 2,827 | 2,527 | 1,388 | 1,388 |
| Singapore | 36,915 | 34,544 | 38,867 | 43,952 | 50,501 | 52,699 | 63,814 | 82,286 | 81,424 | 90,753 | 98,720 | , | 114,608 | , | 109,931 | 102,407 | 98,922 |
| Slovakia | 7,230 | 7,452 | 9,002 | 12,035 | 14,544 | 14,129 | 15,247 | 18,409 | 17,463 | 17,276 | 16,457 | 19,657 | 20,375 | 21,510 | 20,949 | 18,702 | 18,223 |
| Slovenia | 24,449 | 19,150 | 24,486 | 33,274 | 40,111 | 37,632 | 44,557 | 55,341 | 50,380 | 52,876 | 50,342 | 48,741 | 47,126 | 49,343 | 49,739 | 44,699 | 41,061 |
| South Africa | 1,328 | 991 | 1,460 | 2,124 | 3,025 | 3,225 | 3,997 | 4,563 | 3,070 | 4,182 | 4,165 | 3,806 | 3,996 | 3,637 | 3,573 | 3,590 | 3,379 |
| Spain | 31,717 | 31,167 | 36,526 | 50,543 | 58,743 | 58,983 | 71,085 | 82,101 | 67,081 | 69,084 | 62,791 | 58,426 | 58,509 | 62,048 | 63,530 | 55,726 | 52,223 |
| Sweden | 22,396 | 19,672 | 22,644 | 31,603 | 36,814 | 36,090 | 41,717 | 47,520 | 37,117 | 44,640 | 47,750 | 48,798 | 55,422 | 64,035 | | 58,743 | |
| Switzerland | 43,700 | 40,524 | 46,924 | 54,062 | 60,246 | 56,061 | 64,398 | 72,852 | 72,401 | 80,250 | 79,137 | | | 111,313 | | | 107,583 |
| Taiwan | 43,335 | 44,060 | 45,302 | 41,989 | 43,269 | 45,175 | 48,454 | 51,225 | 56,262 | 64,923 | 66,056 | 59,011 | | | | 65,080 | |
| Thailand | 541 | 547 | 630 | 830 | 928 | 1,298 | 1,120 | 1,383 | 1,164 | 1,481 | 1,762 | 1,735 | 1,700 | 1,435 | 1,433 | 1,368 | 1,264 |
| United Kingdom | 68,095 | 65,078 | 74,293 | | 104,736 | | | | | 102,634 | | | | 113,559 | | | |
| United States | 29,347 | 28,741 | 27,597 | | 34,518 | | | 40,290 | | | 34,549 | 35,968 | | 47,179 | | 48,495 | |

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