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o REGISTRATION STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(b) OR (g) OF

THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Or

X ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE

SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the fiscal year ended September 30, 2016

Or

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE

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Or

o SHELL COMPANY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE

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EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

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WESTPAC BANKING CORPORATION

Australian Business Number 33 007 457 141 (Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

New South Wales, Australia

(Jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

275 Kent Street, Sydney, NSW 2000, Australia

(Address of principal executive offices)

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Westpac Banking Corporation, New York branch,				
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Name, Telephone, E-mail and/or Facsimile number and Address of Company Contact Person)				
Securities registered or to be registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:				
Title of each class Ordinary shares	Name of each exchange on which registered Listed on the New York Stock Exchange, not for trading, but only in connection with the registration of related American Depositary Shares,			
American Depositary Shares, each representing the right to receive one ordinary share	pursuant to the requirements of the New York Stock Exchange. New York Stock Exchange			
Securities registered or to be registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: None				
Securities for which there is a reporting obligation pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Act: 1.050% Notes due November 25, 2016, 1.20% Notes due May 19, 2017, Floating Rate Notes due May 19, 2017, 2.0% Notes due August 14, 2017, 1.50% Notes due December 1, 2017, Floating Rate Notes due December 1, 2017, 1.60% Notes due January 12, 2018, 4.625% Subordinated Notes due 2018, 1.55% Notes due May 25, 2018, Floating Rate Notes due May 25, 2018, 2.25% Notes due July 30, 2018, Floating Rate Notes due July 30, 2018, 1.950% Notes due November 23, 2018, Floating Rate Notes due November 23, 2018, 2.25% Notes due January 17, 2019, Floating Rate Notes due January 17, 2019, 1.650% Notes due May 13, 2019, Floating Rate Notes due May 13, 2019, 1.600% Notes due August 19, 2019, Floating Rate Notes due August 19, 2019, 4.875% Notes due November 19, 2019, 2.30% Notes due May 26, 2020, 2.600% Notes due November 23, 2020, 2.100% Notes due May 13, 2021, Floating Rate Notes due August 19, 2021, 2.850% Notes due May 13, 2026, 2.700% Notes due August 19, 2016 and notes issued under our Retail Medium-Term Notes program (Registration Statement No. 333-172579)				
Indicate the number of outstanding shares of each of the issuer s classes of capita	l or common stock as of the close of the period covered by the annual report.			
Ordinary shares	3,346,166,853 fully paid			
Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as define	ed in Rule 405 of the Securities Act.			
Yes x No o				
If this report is an annual or transition report, indicate by check mark if the registre Exchange Act of 1934.	ant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities			
Yes o No x				

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the

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Yes x No o
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes o No x (not currently applicable to registrant)
Indicate by check mark whether registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, or a non-accelerated filer. Large accelerated filer x Accelerated Filer o Non-accelerated filer o
Indicate by check mark which basis of accounting the registrant has used to prepare the financial statements included in this filing: U.S. GAAP o International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board x
Other o
If this is an annual report, indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company. Yes o No x

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In this Annual Report a reference to Westpac , Group , Westpac Group , we , us and our is to Westpac Banking Corporation ABN 007 457 141 and its subsidiaries unless it clearly means just Westpac Banking Corporation.

For certain information about the basis of preparing the financial information in this Annual Report see Reading this report in Section 2. In addition, this Annual Report contains statements that constitute forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 21E of the US Securities Exchange Act of 1934. For an explanation of forward-looking statements and the risks, uncertainties and assumptions to which they are subject, see Reading this report in Section 2.

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