Target Market Determination

For Bendigo Bridging Home Loan (Variable Rate)

BEN-BHL-V

Product

This target market determination (TMD) applies to Bendigo Bank's Bridging Home Loan (Variable Rate).

Issuer

Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited ABN 11 068 049 178 AFSL / Australian Credit License 237879 (Bendigo Bank).

Date from which this target market determination is effective 5 October 2023.

1. Target market for this product

Target Market

The retail clients for whom this product has been designed are individuals who:

- want a short-term loan to assist with the purchase of a property prior to the sale of an existing property
- want to have the interest capitalised until existing property is sold. This means no repayments are required during this time (the bridging period).
- want a loan term (bridging period) of up to six months where the new security is an established owner occupied or residential investment property and up to 12 months where the new security is an owner occupied or residential investment dwelling to be constructed;
- In the case where there is a residual debt after the sale of the existing property (an end debt), a variation to this credit facility is required which will outline the terms and conditions regarding the clearance of the end debt.
- can afford the loan (where there is a residual debt after the sale of the existing property); and
- may want access to other features and benefits (such as a linked offset account)
- · can provide the residential property as security for the loan

Product Description

Bendigo Bank's Bridging Home Loan (Variable Rate) is a variable interest rate term loan (up to a maximum term of 12 months) which is used to finance the purchase of an established property or construct a new property, prior to the sale of an existing property. The interest is capitalised until the existing property is sold which means no repayments are required during this time (the bridging period). In the case where there is a residual debt after the sale of the existing property (an end debt), a variation to this credit facility is required which will outline the terms and conditions regarding the clearance of the end debt.

Product key attributes

The key attributes of this product that make it likely to be consistent with the target market described above, include:

Attribute	Appropriate for	
Term loan	Retail clients that want a loan over a short term period (up to a maximum of 6 months for established properties or 12 months for construction).	



Attribute	Appropriate for	
Owner Occupied or Residential Investment	Retail clients who will use the new residential property acquired with the loan as their principal place of residence or as a residential investment property.	
Interest capitalisation	Retail clients who do not want to make repayments until the end of the interest capitalisation period (e.g. bridging period). Interest can accrue for a specified term (up to 6 months for established properties or 12 months for construction).	
End Debt	Following completion of the bridging loan period or sale of the existing property (whichever occurs first), all amounts owing on the bridging loan will fall due. In the case where there is a residual debt after the sale of the existing property (an end debt), a variation to this credit facility is required which will outline the terms and conditions regarding the clearance of the end debt.	
Linked offset account	Retail clients who want to reduce interest charges and pay off their loan faster.	
Variable interest rate	A variable interest rate means the interest rate may increase or decrease over the term of the loan. This product may not be suitable for retail clients who require certainty around repayments by having a fixed interest rate.	
Security over residential property	Retail clients that can use the residential property they have acquired with the loan as security for it.	

2. How this product is to be distributed

Bendigo Bank applies certain conditions and restrictions to the distribution of this product so that distribution is likely to be to retail clients within the target market for this product. The conditions and restrictions are:

Channel

This product is to be distributed only through the following channels:

- Bendigo Bank and Community Bank branches;
- Bendigo Bank's contact centre;
- Bendigo Bank's Mobile Relationship Managers; and
- Bendigo Bank's Business Bankers

The following additional conditions and restrictions also apply to the distribution of this product:

Additional conditions or restrictions

- Only prospective retail clients who meet Bendigo Bank's minimum eligibility criteria for the product should submit an application for this product;
- This product can only be issued to retail clients after applying Bendigo Bank's affordability and suitability processes; and
- This product can only be issued (or arranged to be issued) by persons who are trained and accredited.



3. Reviewing this target market determination

Bendigo Bank will review this TMD as set out below:

Initial review	Within the first year of the effective date.	
Periodic reviews	At least every 12 months from the initial review.	
	 Any event or circumstances arising that would reasonably suggest the TMD is no longer appropriate. This may include (but is not limited to): a material change to the design or distribution of the product, including related documentation; occurrence of a significant dealing; distribution conditions found to be inadequate in ensuring that the product is issued to 	
Review triggers or events	retail clients who are likely to be in the target market; relevant changes in the law or its application, a change in an industry code or decision of a court or other body (including through regulatory guidance) that materially affects the product; significant changes in metrics, including, but not limited to: a material increase in the number of complaints in relation to a product or aspect of a product; the level of retail clients experiencing hardship such as falling into arrears; and an increase in early termination of the product; and any other event occurs, or information is received that reasonably suggests this TMD is no longer appropriate.	

4. Reporting and monitoring this target market determination

Bendigo Bank's third-party distributors who are regulated persons will need to collect, keep and report the following information to Bendigo Bank:

Туре	Description of information	Frequency of reporting
Complaints	Customer complaints made in relation to this product. This includes: • written details of the complaint; and • the number of complaints during the reporting period.	Reporting period: Monthly When does the regulated person have to report: Within 10 business days of the end of the reporting period.
Sales data	Sales and customer data in relation to this product as requested by Bendigo Bank.	Reporting period: Monthly When does the regulated person have to report: Within 10 business days of the end of the reporting period.
Significant dealings	 The following information: details of the significant dealing; the date (or range) on which the significant dealing occurred; why the distributor considers the dealing to be significant (including why it is inconsistent with this TMD); and how the dealing was identified. 	When does the regulated person have to report: Within 10 business days of the distributor becoming aware of the dealing.

