

<b>BOND</b>	Certificate of indebtedness issued by governments or corporations when borrowing capital funds. The bondholder is a creditor vis-à-vis the borrower. In case of bankruptcy, bondholders have first claim on the corporation's assets before shareholders.
<b>CAPITAL STOCK</b>	Sum of common and preferred stock representing the proprietary interest of the shareholders in a corporation.
<b>CANADIAN LIQUID ASSETS</b>	Consists of Bank of Canada notes and deposits, day and call loans to investment dealers, Treasury bills and Government of Canada bonds.
<b>COMMERCIAL PAPER</b>	Promissory notes issued by commercial and industrial corporations. Normally, companies wishing to borrow by issuing commercial paper must have standby lines of credit from a bank or guarantee by an affiliated company. Much of the funds thus borrowed are used to provide short-term working capital to the company due to temporary shortages in operating cash requirement.
<b>COMMON STOCK</b>	A class of share capital which represents the shareholders' ownership in a corporation and normally carries voting privileges.
<b>CONVERTIBLE DEBENTURE</b>	A debenture which can be exchanged on specific terms for the company's common shares at the holder's option. It carries a fixed rate of interest and a maturity date as a bond or a debenture. It also offers opportunities of capital gains when the bond is converted.
<b>DEMAND DEPOSITS</b>	Non-interest bearing chequable deposits.
<b>DIVIDEND PAYOUT RATIO</b>	Amount of dividend payment to shareholders related to balance of revenue after taxes, expressed as a percentage.
<b>EARNING ASSETS</b>	Loans and securities are the earning assets of banks.
<b>EARNINGS RETENTION RATIO</b>	Amount of retained earnings related to the balance of revenue after taxes, expressed as a percentage.
<b>EFFECTIVE TAX RATE</b>	Ratio of actual amount of income taxes paid to a bank's balance of revenue before taxes.
<b>EQUITY CAPITAL</b>	Sum of common share capital, preferred share capital, convertible debentures, rest account, undivided profits, and