# CONDENSED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

March 31, 2024

# Management responsibility

Management of the Bank of Canada (the Bank) is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these condensed interim financial statements, in accordance with the requirements of International Accounting Standard 34 *Interim Financial Reporting* (IAS 34), and for such internal controls as management determines are necessary to enable the preparation of condensed interim financial statements that are free from material misstatement. Management is also responsible for ensuring that all other information in the *Quarterly Financial Report* is consistent, where appropriate, with the condensed interim financial statements.

Based on our knowledge, these unaudited condensed interim financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position, financial performance and cash flows of the Bank, as at the date of and for the periods presented in the condensed interim financial statements.

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Ottawa, Canada May 22, 2024

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# Condensed interim statement of financial position (unaudited)

(in millions of Canadian dollars)

As at	Note	March 31, 2024	December 31, 2023
Assets			
Cash and foreign deposits	3	12	14
Loans and receivables	3, 4	9	6
Investments	3, 4		
Government of Canada nominal bonds—carried at amortized cost		81,844	84,613
Government of Canada bonds—carried at fair value through profit and loss		177,693	184,443
(FVTPL)			
Canada Mortgage Bonds		6,676	6,685
Other bonds		7,835	8,357
Securities lent or sold under repurchase agreements		5,643	7,742
Shares in the Bank for International Settlements (BIS)		514	501
		280,205	292,341
Derivatives—indemnity agreements with the Government of Canada	3, 4	25,592	23,406
Capital assets	5		
Property and equipment		509	515
Intangible assets		112	110
Right-of-use assets		38	39
		659	664
Other assets	6	438	345
Total assets		306,915	316,776
Liabilities and deficiency			
Bank notes in circulation	3	114,814	119,430
Deposits	3, 4, 7	,	,
Government of Canada	- 1 1	55,037	63,511
Members of Payments Canada		128,942	120,567
Other deposits		10,187	12,134
		194,166	196,212
Securities sold under repurchase agreements	3, 4	4,265	6.638
Other liabilities	3, 8	330	342
Total liabilities	-, -	313,575	322,622
Deficiency	10	(6,660)	(5,846)
Total liabilities and deficiency		306,915	316,776

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# Condensed interim statement of net loss and comprehensive loss (unaudited)

(in millions of Canadian dollars)

For the three-month period ended March 31	Note	2024	2023
Loss before operating expenses			
Interest revenue			
Investments—carried at amortized cost		369	417
Investments—carried at FVTPL		492	552
Securities purchased under resale agreements		12	-
		873	969
Interest expense			
Deposits		(1,563)	(2,166)
Other		(75)	(153)
Net interest expense		(765)	(1,350)
Other revenue		2	2
Total loss before operating expenses		(763)	(1,348)
Operating expenses			
Staff costs		103	88
Bank note research, production and processing		1	3
Premises costs		8	8
Technology and telecommunications		29	28
Depreciation and amortization		17	18
Other operating expenses		13	17
Total operating expenses		171	162
Net loss		(934)	(1,510)
Other comprehensive income (loss)	0	107	(25)
Remeasurements of the net defined-benefit liability/asset	9	107	(35)
Change in fair value of BIS shares		13	10
Total other comprehensive income (loss)		120	(25)
Comprehensive loss		(814)	(1,535)

# Condensed interim statement of changes in deficiency (unaudited)

(in millions of Canadian dollars)

For the three-month period ended March 31

					Investment	Actuarial		
		Share	Statutory	Special	revaluation	gains	Accumulated	
	Note	capital	reserve	reserve	reserve	reserve	deficit	Total
Balance as at January 1, 2024		5	-	100	463	324	(6,738)	(5,846)
Comprehensive loss for the period								
Net loss		-	-	-	-	-	(934)	(934)
Remeasurements of the net								
defined-benefit liability/asset	9	-	-	-	-	107	-	107
Change in fair value of BIS shares		-	-	-	13	-	-	13
Balance as at March 31, 2024		5	-	100	476	431	(7,672)	(6,660)

	Note	Share capital	Statutory reserve	Special reserve	Investment revaluation reserve	Actuarial gains reserve	Accumulated deficit	Total
Balance as at January 1, 2023		5	-	100	440	444	(1,086)	(97)
Comprehensive loss for the period								
Net loss		-	-	-	-	-	(1,510)	(1,510)
Remeasurements of the net								
defined-benefit liability/asset	9	-	-	-	-	(35)	-	(35)
Change in fair value of BIS shares		-	-	-	10	-	-	10
Balance as at March 31, 2023		5	-	100	450	409	(2,596)	(1,632)

# Condensed interim statement of cash flows (unaudited)

(in millions of Canadian dollars)

For the three-month period ended March 31	2024	2023
Cash flows from operating activities		
Interest received	467	855
Other revenue received	4	4
Interest paid	(1,614)	(2,338)
Payments to or on behalf of employees and to suppliers	(175)	(194)
Net decrease in deposits	(2,046)	(19,855)
Acquisition of securities purchased under resale agreements	(74,851)	(11)
Proceeds from maturity of securities purchased under resale agreements	74,851	11
Net payments on securities sold under repurchase agreements	(2,373)	(1,911)
Proceeds from maturity of Government of Canada bonds—carried at FVTPL	7,153	20,725
Proceeds from maturity of other bonds	186	326
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	1,602	(2,388)
Cash flows from investing activities		
Proceeds from maturity of Government of Canada nominal bonds	3,025	7,434
Additions of property and equipment	(5)	(5)
Additions of intangible assets	(7)	(5)
Net cash provided by investing activities	3,013	7,424
Cash flows from financing activities		
Net decrease in bank notes in circulation	(4,616)	(5,035)
Payments on lease liabilities	(1)	(1)
Net cash used in financing activities	(4,617)	(5,036)
Decrease in cash and foreign deposits	(2)	-
Cash and foreign deposits, beginning of period	14	14
Cash and foreign deposits, end of period	12	14

(See accompanying notes to the condensed interim financial statements.)

# Notes to the condensed interim financial statements of the Bank of Canada (unaudited)

For the three-month period ended March 31, 2024

# 1. The business of the Bank of Canada

The Bank of Canada (the Bank) is the nation's central bank. The Bank is a corporation established under the *Bank of Canada Act*, is wholly owned by the Minister of Finance on behalf of the Government of Canada and is exempt from income taxes. The Bank does not offer banking services to the public. Its mandate is to promote the economic and financial welfare of Canada. The Bank's activities and operations are undertaken in support of this mandate and not with the objective of generating revenue or profits. The address of the Bank's registered head office is 234 Wellington Street, Ottawa, Ontario.

The Bank's five core functions are the following:

- Monetary policy: The Bank conducts monetary policy to preserve the value of money by keeping inflation low, stable and predictable.
- **Financial system**: The Bank promotes safe, sound and efficient financial systems, within Canada and internationally, and conducts transactions in financial markets in support of these objectives.
- Funds management: The Bank provides funds management services for the Government of Canada, the Bank itself and other clients. The Bank is the fiscal agent for the government, providing treasury-management services and administering and advising on the public debt and foreign exchange reserves.
- **Currency:** The Bank has the exclusive right to issue Canadian bank notes. It designs, issues and distributes Canada's bank notes, oversees the note distribution system and ensures a supply of quality notes that are readily accepted and secure against counterfeiting. The face value of these notes is a liability on the Bank's balance sheet. The Bank invests the proceeds from issuing bank notes and generates interest income, referred to as seigniorage, on these assets. This income provides a stable and constant source of funding for the Bank's operations and enables the Bank to function independently of government appropriations.
- Retail payments supervision: The Bank supervises payment service providers to build confidence in the safety and reliability of their services and protect users from specific risks.

# 2. Basis of preparation

## Compliance with accounting standards

These condensed interim financial statements have been prepared in accordance with IFRS Accounting Standards (as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board) as applicable to the preparation of interim financial statements under IAS 34, *Interim Financial Reporting*. These financial statements do not include all the information and disclosures required for full annual financial statements and should be read in conjunction with the Bank's audited financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2023. When necessary, the condensed interim financial statements include amounts based on informed estimates and the judgment of management. The results of operations for the interim period reported are not necessarily indicative of results expected for the year.

The Audit and Finance Committee of the Board of Directors approved the condensed interim financial statements on May 22, 2024.

## Fiscal agent and custodial activities

Responsibility for the operational management of the Government of Canada's financial assets and liabilities is borne jointly by the Bank (as fiscal agent for the Government of Canada) and the Department of Finance Canada. In its role as fiscal agent, the Bank provides transactional and administrative support to the Government of Canada in certain areas, consistent with the requirements of section 24 of the *Bank of Canada Act*. Also in this role, the Bank does not bear the risks and rewards of the related financial assets and liabilities. These assets, liabilities and related revenues and expenses are not included in the

condensed interim financial statements of the Bank, except for the costs incurred by the Bank to fulfill its fiscal-agent role, as discussed in Note 11.

The Bank provides securities safekeeping and other custodial services to foreign central banks, international organizations and other government-related entities. Under the terms governing these services, the Bank is indemnified against losses. Any assets and income that are managed under these services are excluded from the Bank's condensed interim financial statements because they are not assets or income of the Bank.

## Functional and presentation currency

The Bank's functional and presentation currency is the Canadian dollar. The amounts in the notes to the condensed interim financial statements of the Bank are in millions of Canadian dollars, unless otherwise stated.

## Seasonality

The total value of bank notes in circulation fluctuates throughout the year as a function of the seasonal demand for bank notes. Such demand is typically at its lowest level in the first quarter and peaks in the second and fourth quarters around holiday periods. The Bank may issue securities purchased under resale agreements (SPRAs) to offset the increased bank note liability during periods of high seasonal demand.

## Material accounting policies

The accounting policies used in the preparation of the condensed interim financial statements are consistent with those disclosed in the Bank's financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2023.

Certain accounting policies require judgments and estimates, some of which relate to uncertain matters. Changes in the judgments and estimates in the material accounting policies discussed in the Bank's 2023 annual financial statements could have a substantial impact on the financial results. Significant judgment and estimates are used in the measurement of financial instruments (Note 3) and employee benefits (Note 9). No significant changes have occurred with respect to the Bank's significant accounting estimates since the 2023 annual financial statements.

# 3. Financial instruments

The Bank's financial instruments are classified and subsequently measured as follows:

Financial instruments	Classification and	Carrying	Fair	
As at March 31, 2024	subsequent measurement	value	value	
Financial assets				
Cash and foreign deposits	Amortized cost	12	*	
Loans and receivables	Amortized cost	9	*	
Investments				
Government of Canada nominal bonds—primary market	Amortized cost	81,844	75,015	
Government of Canada bonds—secondary market				
Nominal bonds	FVTPL	173,471	173,471	
Real return bonds	FVTPL	4,222	4,222	
		177,693	177,693	
Canada Mortgage Bonds	Amortized cost	6,676	6,136	
Other bonds				
Provincial bonds	FVTPL	7,780	7,780	
Corporate bonds	FVTPL	55	55	
		7,835	7,835	
Securities lent or sold under repurchase agreements			-	
Provincial bonds	FVTPL	1,376	1,376	
Government of Canada nominal bonds—secondary				
market	FVTPL	4,267	4,267	
		5,643	5,643	
Shares in the BIS	FVOCI	514	514	
		280,205	272,836	
Derivatives—indemnity agreements with the Government of Canad	a FVTPL	25,592	25,592	
Financial liabilities				
Bank notes in circulation	Face value	114,814	*	
Deposits	Amortized cost	194,166	*	
Securities sold under repurchase agreements	Amortized cost	4,265	*	
Other financial liabilities	Amortized cost	140	*	

\* Approximates carrying value due to their nature or term to maturity.

#### Fair value hierarchy of financial instruments

Financial instruments are classified using a fair value hierarchy that reflects the significance of the inputs used in making the measurements:

- Level 1: Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities, which represent actual and regularly occurring arm's-length market transactions
- Level 2: Inputs other than quoted prices included in Level 1, which are observable for the assets or liabilities either directly (e.g., prices for similar instruments, prices from inactive markets) or indirectly (e.g., interest rates, credit spreads)
- Level 3: Unobservable inputs for the assets or liabilities that are not based on observable market data as a result of inactive markets (e.g., market participant assumptions)

Estimated fair values for financial instruments are designed to approximate amounts for which the instruments could be exchanged in a current arm's-length transaction between knowledgeable, willing parties. The fair value hierarchy requires the use of observable market inputs wherever such inputs exist. In measuring fair value, a financial instrument is classified at the lowest level of the hierarchy for which a significant input has been considered. Transfers may occur between levels of the fair value hierarchy as a result of changes in market activity or the availability of quoted market prices or observable inputs. The Bank's policy is to record transfers of assets and liabilities between the different levels of the fair value hierarchy using the fair values as at the end of each reporting period.

# Supporting information

#### Fair value of financial instruments

The following table shows the Bank's financial assets carried at fair value, classified in accordance with the hierarchy described above.

As at March 31, 2024	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Government of Canada nominal bonds—secondary market	18,196	155,275	-	173,471
Government of Canada real return bonds	-	4,222	-	4,222
Provincial bonds	-	7,780	-	7,780
Corporate bonds	-	55	-	55
Securities lent or sold under repurchase agreements				
Government of Canada nominal bonds—secondary market	292	3,975	-	4,267
Provincial bonds	-	1,376	-	1,376
Shares in the BIS	-	-	514	514
Total	18,488	172,683	514	191,685

The table below presents the comparative fair value as at December 31, 2023.

As at December 31, 2023	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Government of Canada nominal bonds—secondary market	-	180,156	-	180,156
Government of Canada real return bonds	-	4,287	-	4,287
Provincial bonds	-	8,286	-	8,286
Corporate bonds	-	71	-	71
Securities lent or sold under repurchase agreements				
Government of Canada nominal bonds—secondary market	-	6,652	-	6,652
Provincial bonds	-	1,090	-	1,090
Shares in the BIS	-	-	501	501
Total	-	200,542	501	<b>2</b> 01,043

The following table shows the transfers that occurred between levels of the fair value hierarchy during the period. The transfers from Level 2 to Level 1 in the three-month period ended March 31, 2024, are a result of an increase in market activity.

For the three-month period ended March 31	202	4	2023		
	Level 2 to	Level 1 to	Level 2 to	Level 1 to	
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 1	level 2	
Government of Canada nominal bonds—secondary market	18,488	-	212,704	-	
Government of Canada real return bonds	-	-	3,828	-	
Provincial bonds	-	-	6,975	-	
Total	18,488	-	223,507	-	

Derivatives-indemnity agreements with the Government of Canada

As at March 31, 2024	Related as	sset	Derivatives— indemnity agreements with the Government of Canada	Derivative asset position	Derivative liability position
	Amortized cost	Fair value	Fair value	Fair value	Fair value
Government of Canada nominal bonds-					
secondary market	206,732	181,960	24,772	24,772	-
Provincial bonds	9,975	9,156	819	819	-
Corporate bonds	56	55	1	1	-
Total	216,763	191,171	25,592	25,592	-

The table below presents the comparative values as at December 31, 2023.

As at December 31, 2023	Related as	set	Derivatives— indemnity agreements with the Government of Canada	Derivative asset position	Derivative liability position
	Amortized cost	Fair value	Fair value	Fair value	Fair value
Government of Canada nominal bonds-					
secondary market	213,713	191,095	22,618	22,618	-
Provincial bonds	10,162	9,376	786	786	-
Corporate bonds	73	71	2	2	-
Total	223,948	200,542	23,406	23,406	-

Net unrealized losses (gains) on financial instruments carried at FVTPL

For the three-month period ended March 31	2024	2023
Government of Canada bonds—secondary market	2,154	(4,847)
Provincial bonds	33	(215)
Corporate bonds	(1)	(1)
Derivatives—indemnity agreements	(2,186)	5,063
Total	-	-

Net unrealized gains and losses arising from financial instruments carried at FVTPL during the quarter are equal to the change in fair value of the derivatives shown in the tables above. Realized gains and losses in the three-month period ended March 31, 2024, were \$nil (\$nil for the three-month period ended March 31, 2023).

#### **Expected credit losses**

The Bank's debt instruments at amortized cost consist of Canadian sovereign debt and fully collateralized instruments with an equivalent credit rating of A- or higher.

All of the Bank's financial assets subject to impairment assessments are Stage 1 and considered to have a low credit risk. No transfers of financial instruments occurred between stages during the reporting period. The Bank did not record any provision for expected credit losses on these financial instruments as at March 31, 2024 (\$nil at December 31, 2023). There are no significant past due or impaired amounts as at March 31, 2024 (\$nil at December 31, 2023).

## 4. Financial risk management

The Bank maintains a comprehensive risk management and control framework to manage its risks. The Executive Council oversees enterprise risk management and the implementation of sound management processes to safeguard the Bank. The Board of Directors has an oversight role in the Bank's performance of risk management.

The Bank is exposed to financial risks associated with its financial instruments, including credit, market and liquidity risks. The Financial Risk Office monitors and reports on the financial risks related to the Bank's statement of financial position. The following is a description of those risks and how the Bank manages its exposure to them.

## Credit risk

Credit risk is the possibility of loss due to the failure of a counterparty or guarantor to meet payment obligations in accordance with agreed-upon terms.

The Bank is exposed to credit risk through its cash and foreign deposits, investments, and advances to members of Payments Canada, and through market transactions in the form of SPRAs and loans of securities, if any. The maximum exposure to credit risk is estimated to be the carrying value of those items. The Bank is also exposed to credit risk through the execution of foreign currency contracts, consistent with the disclosures in the 2023 annual financial statements.

#### Concentration of credit risk

The Bank's investment portfolio represents 91% of the carrying value of its total assets (92% as at December 31, 2023). The credit risk associated with this portfolio is low. This is because the Bank's securities held are primarily direct obligations of the Government of Canada or are fully guaranteed by the Government of Canada, which holds a credit rating of AAA with most credit agencies and has no history of default.

For SPRAs, collateral is taken in accordance with the Bank's publicly disclosed eligibility criteria and margin requirements, both of which are available on its website. Strict eligibility criteria are set for all collateral, and the credit quality of collateral is managed through a set of restrictions based on asset type, term to maturity and credit attributes, including ratings of the securities pledged. The Bank monitors collateral positions regularly and requires counterparties to pledge additional collateral as risk increases.

As at March 31, 2024, the Bank's investments included securities lent or sold under repurchase agreements in the form of loaned provincial bonds with a fair market value of \$1,376 million (\$1,090 million as at December 31, 2023). The fair value of collateral held totalled \$1,445 million, representing 105% of fair value of the securities loaned (\$1,143 million as at December 31, 2023, representing 105%).

## Market risk

Market risk is the potential for adverse changes in the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument due to changes in market variables, such as interest rates, foreign exchange rates and market prices. It is composed of interest rate risk, currency risk and other price risk.

#### Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in interest rates.

The Bank's exposure to interest rate risk arises from fluctuations in the future flows of cash and foreign deposits held by the Bank and deposits held at the Bank by other institutions. These instruments are subject to variable interest rates. The Bank also carries interest rate risk associated with fluctuations in future cash flows from Government of Canada real return bonds, which are linked to inflation. The remainder of the Bank's financial assets and liabilities either have fixed interest rates or are non-interest-bearing, including Government of Canada deposits, which ceased accruing interest effective May 16, 2022.

The table below shows the effect of an increase (decrease) in interest rates of 25 basis points on the interest expense or revenue on Government of Canada real return bonds, deposits of members of Payments Canada and other deposits. This represents substantially all the Bank's interest rate risk exposure.

For the three-month period ended March 31	2024	2023
Interest revenue on Government of Canada real return bonds	3 / (3)	3 / (3)
Interest expense on deposits from members of Payments Canada	72 / (72)	118 / (118)
Interest expense on other deposits	7 / (7)	6 / (6)

#### Currency risk

Currency risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in foreign exchange rates. The currency risk is not considered to be significant because the Bank's net foreign currency exposure relative to its total assets is small.

The Bank is exposed to currency risk primarily by holding shares in the BIS. These shares are denominated in special drawing rights (SDRs). The SDR serves as the unit of account for the International Monetary Fund, and its value is based on a basket of five major currencies: the euro, the US dollar, the British pound, the Japanese yen and the Chinese renminbi. SDRs are translated into Canadian-dollar equivalents at the rates prevailing on the date when the fair value is determined.

#### Other price risk

Other price risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices (other than those arising from changes in interest and exchange rates).

The Bank is exposed to other price risk through its investment in the BIS. The fair value of these shares is estimated based on the net asset value of the BIS, less a discount of 30%. Accordingly, the fair value fluctuations of these shares reflect movements in the net asset value of the BIS and in exchange rates.

The securities held at FVTPL expose the Bank to fluctuations in market prices. However, all these securities are fully indemnified for realized losses beyond amortized cost, while realized gains are fully remitted back to the Government of Canada. Fluctuations in market prices for the FVTPL instruments are offset by equivalent fair value fluctuations of the derivatives. Therefore, the Bank bears no net price risk related to the securities.

## Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the potential for loss if the Bank is unable to meet its financial obligations as they become due. Liabilities due on demand include bank notes in circulation and Government of Canada deposits, with the remaining liabilities (deposits of members of Payments Canada, securities sold under repurchase agreements and other financial liabilities) due within 90 days.

Bank notes in circulation provide a stable source of long-term funding for the Bank. The Bank is the ultimate source of liquid funds to the Canadian financial system and has the power and operational ability to create Canadian-dollar liquidity in unlimited amounts at any time. This power is exercised within the Bank's commitment to keeping inflation low, stable and predictable.

The following table presents a maturity analysis of the Bank's financial assets and liabilities. The balances in this table do not correspond to the balances in the statement of financial position because the table presents all cash flows on an undiscounted basis. When the amount payable is not fixed, the amount disclosed is determined by reference to the conditions existing at the end of the reporting period.

			Within 4		In more	
	Due on	Within	to 12	Within 1 to	than	
As at March 31, 2024	demand	90 days	months	5 years	5 years	Total
Financial assets						
Cash and foreign deposits	12	-	-	-	-	12
Loans and receivables	-	9	-	-	-	9
Investments						
Government of Canada nominal bonds at amortized cost	-	8,952	6,664	29,708	49,304	94,628
Government of Canada nominal bonds at FVTPL	-	23,579	21,845	73,300	101,376	220,100
Government of Canada real return bonds	-	55	55	1,165	3,843	5,118
Canada Mortgage Bonds	-	1,062	83	4,834	905	6,884
Provincial bonds	-	1,098	701	5,412	3,173	10,384
Corporate bonds	-	23	21	13	-	57
Shares in BIS*	514	-	-	-	-	514
	526	34,778	29,369	114,432	158,601	337,706
Financial liabilities						
Bank notes in circulation	(114,814)	-	-	-	-	(114,814
Deposits						
Government of Canada	(55,037)	-	-	-	-	(55,037
Members of Payments Canada	-	(128,942)	-	-	-	(128,942
Other deposits	(10,187)	-	-	-	-	(10,187
Securities sold under repurchase agreements	-	(4,265)	-	-	-	(4,265
Other financial liabilities	-	(140)	-	-	-	(140
	(180,038)	(133,347)	-	-	-	(313,385
Net maturity difference	(179,512)	(98,569)	29,369	114,432	158,601	24,321

\* The Bank's investment in shares in the Bank for International Settlements (BIS) has no fixed maturity.

Cash flows associated with the indemnity agreements are settled monthly after disposition of related securities. Where securities are held to maturity, no cash flows are associated with the indemnity agreements. As at March 31, 2024, the Bank had not disposed of any securities related to the indemnity agreements that had not been settled, and, therefore, no indemnity agreement cash flows are presented above (\$nil as at December 31, 2023).

The table below presents the comparative maturity analysis as at December 31, 2023.

	Due on	Within	Within 4 to	Within 1 to	In more	
As at December 31, 2023	demand	90 days	12 months	5 years	than 5 years	Total
Financial assets						
Cash and foreign deposits	14	-	-	-	-	14
Loans and receivables	-	6	-	-	-	6
Investments						
Government of Canada nominal bonds at amortized cost	-	3,123	13,373	31,950	49,304	97,750
Government of Canada nominal bonds at FVT	PL -	7,440	35,390	83,333	101,376	227,539
Government of Canada real return bonds	-	-	110	1,167	3,851	5,128
Canada Mortgage Bonds	-	24	1,120	4,852	912	6,908
Provincial bonds	-	216	1,641	5,227	3,516	10,600
Corporate bonds	-	17	34	22	-	73
Shares in BIS*	501	-	-	-	-	501
	515	10,826	51,668	126,551	158,959	348,519
Financial liabilities						
Bank notes in circulation	(119,430)	-	-	-	-	(119,430)
Deposits						
Government of Canada	(63,511)	-	-	-	-	(63,511)
Members of Payments Canada	-	(120,567)	-	-	-	(120,567)
Other deposits	(12,134)	-	-	-	-	(12,134)
Securities sold under repurchase agreements	-	(6,638)	-	-	-	(6,638)
Other financial liabilities	-	(138)	-	-	-	(138)
	(195,075)	(127,343)	-	-	-	(322,418)
Net maturity difference	(194,560)	(116,517)	51,668	126,551	158,959	26,101

\* The Bank's investment in shares in the Bank for International Settlements (BIS) has no fixed maturity.

# 5. Capital assets

*Capital assets* consists of property and equipment, intangible assets and right-of-use assets. The changes to the balance for the period are as follows:

	Property and	Intangible	Right-of-use	
	equipment	assets	assets	Total
Cost				
Balances as at December 31, 2022	844	205	63	1,112
Additions	37	29	-	66
Disposals	(10)	(5)	-	(15)
Transfers to other asset categories	-	-	-	-
Balances as at December 31, 2023	871	229	63	1,163
Additions	5	7	-	12
Disposals	(1)	-	-	(1)
Transfers to other asset categories	-	-	-	-
Balances as at March 31, 2024	875	236	63	1,174
Balances as at December 31, 2022 Depreciation / amortization Disposals	(322) (44) 10	(100) (24) 5	(19) (5) -	(441) (73) 15
Transfers to other asset categories	10	5	-	15
Balances as at December 31, 2023	(356)	(119)	(24)	(499)
Depreciation / amortization	(330)	(119)	(24)	(499)
Disposals	(11)	(5)	(1)	(17)
Transfers to other asset categories	-	_	_	-
Balances as at March 31, 2024	(366)	(124)	(25)	(515)
bulances as at March 51, 2024	(500)	(127)	(23)	(515)
Carrying amounts				
Balances as at December 31, 2023	515	110	39	664
Dalances as at December 51, 2025	515			

As at March 31, 2024, the Bank had total commitments outstanding of \$12 million for property and equipment and \$3 million for intangible assets (\$12 million and \$5 million, respectively, as at December 31, 2023).

# 6. Other assets

Other assets is composed of bank note inventory (production materials, including the polymer substrate and ink), if any; any net defined-benefit asset related to the Bank of Canada Pension Plan (Pension Plan); and all other non-financial assets, which are primarily prepaid expenses.

#### Composition of other assets

As at	Note	March 31, 2024	December 31, 2023
Net defined-benefit asset	9	393	307
All other assets		45	38
Total other assets		438	345

# 7. Deposits

Deposits is composed of deposits by the Government of Canada, members of Payments Canada and others.

Deposits from the Government of Canada consist of \$35,037 million for operational balances and \$20,000 million held for the prudential liquidity-management plan (\$43,511 million and \$20,000 million, respectively, as at December 31, 2023). Deposits from members of Payments Canada is composed of deposits from domestic banks, authorized foreign banks and other deposit-taking institutions.

*Other deposits* is composed of due-on-demand deposits from financial market infrastructure institutions, other central banks, government institutions and foreign official institutions as well as unclaimed balances. Some of the deposits are interestbearing, depending on the agreement between the Bank and the depositor.

# 8. Other liabilities

*Other liabilities* consists of surplus payable to the Receiver General for Canada, if any; the net defined-benefit liability for both the pension benefit plans and other employee benefit plans; lease liabilities; accounts payable; accrued liabilities and provisions.

#### Composition of other liabilities

As at	Note	March 31, 2024	December 31, 2023
Net defined-benefit liability	9		
Pension benefit plans		-	6
Other benefit plans		148	155
Lease liabilities		41	42
All other liabilities		141	139
Total other liabilities		330	342

# 9. Employee benefits

The changes to the net defined-benefit asset (liability) for the three-month and yearly periods are as follows:

	Pension benefit plans (funded)		Other benefit pl	ans (unfunded)
	For the three-month		For the three-month	
	period ended	For the year ended	period ended	For the year ended
	March 31, 2024	December 31, 2023	March 31, 2024	December 31, 2023
Opening balance at beginning of period	301	414	(155)	(146)
Bank contributions	3	22	-	-
Current service costs	(12)	(38)	(1)	(4)
Past service cost	-	-	-	(1)
Net interest income (cost)	3	20	(2)	(7)
Administration costs	(1)	(3)	-	-
Net benefit payments and transfers	-	-	2	8
Net remeasurement gains (losses)	99	(114)	8	(5)
Closing balance at end of period	393	301	(148)	(155)
Net defined-benefit asset	393	307	-	-
Net defined-benefit liability	-	(6)	(148)	(155)
Net defined-benefit asset (liability)	393	301	(148)	(155)

The composition of the Pension Plan net defined-benefit asset is presented in the table below:

As at	March 31, 2024	December 31, 2023
Fair value of plan assets	2,363	2,345
Defined-benefit obligation	(1,970)	(2,044)
Net defined-benefit asset	393	301

Expenses for the employee benefit plans are presented in the table below:

For the three-month period ended March 31	2024	2023
Expenses		
Pension benefit plans	10	5
Other benefit plans	3	3
Total benefit plan expenses	13	8

Contributions for the pension benefit plans are presented in the table below:

For the three-month period ended March 31	2024	2023
Contributions		
Employer contributions	3	18
Employee contributions	8	8
Total contributions	11	26

The Bank remeasures its defined-benefit obligations and the fair value of plan assets at interim periods. The discount rate is determined by reference to Canadian AA-rated corporate bonds with terms to maturity approximating the duration of the obligation according to guidance issued by the Canadian Institute of Actuaries. The net defined-benefit liability/asset is measured using the discount rates in effect as at the period end, which are shown in the table below:

As at	March 31, 2024	December 31, 2023
Discount rate		
Pension benefit plans	4.9%	4.60%
Other benefit plans	4.7 to 5.0%	4.60%

The Bank recorded remeasurement gains of \$107 million during the three-month period ended March 31, 2024 (remeasurement losses of \$35 million for the three-month period ended March 31, 2023). The gains are mainly the result of the increase in the discount rate used to value the obligations.

# 10. Deficiency

The Bank manages its capital to ensure compliance with the *Bank of Canada Act*. There were no externally imposed capital requirements at the end of the reporting period.

The Bank's deficiency is composed of the following elements:

## Share capital

The authorized capital of the Bank is \$5 million divided into 100,000 shares with a par value of \$50 each. The shares are fully paid and have been issued to the Minister of Finance, who holds them on behalf of the Government of Canada.

## Statutory reserve

The statutory reserve is accumulated out of net income until it reaches the stipulated maximum amount of \$25 million, consistent with the requirement of section 27 of the *Bank of Canada Act*. In 2022, the statutory reserve was reduced to \$nil. If the Bank's reserve fund is less than the paid-up capital, one third of surplus income is to be allocated to the reserve fund, and the residual amount is to be paid to the Receiver General. Where the reserve fund is not less than the paid-up capital, one fifth of the surplus income is to be allocated to the reserve fund until that fund reaches an amount five times the paid-up capital, and the residual amount is to be paid to the Receiver General.

## Special reserve

Pursuant to section 27.1 of the *Bank of Canada Act*, the special reserve's purpose is to offset potential unrealized valuation losses due to changes in the fair value of the Bank's investment portfolio. An initial amount of \$100 million was established at that time, and the reserve is subject to a ceiling of \$400 million.

The amount held in the special reserve is reviewed regularly for appropriateness using value-at-risk analysis and scenario-based stress tests and may be amended, following a resolution passed by the Board of Directors.

## Investment revaluation reserve

The investment revaluation reserve represents the net unrealized fair value gains of the Bank's financial assets classified and measured at FVOCI, which consist solely of the Bank's investment in the BIS. As at March 31, 2024, the investment revaluation reserve had a balance of \$476 million (\$463 million as at December 31, 2023).

## Actuarial gains reserve

The actuarial gains reserve accumulates the net actuarial gains and losses recognized on the Bank's post-employment defined benefit plans subsequent to its transition to IFRS Accounting Standards. As at March 31, 2024, the actuarial gains reserve had a balance of \$431 million (\$324 million as at December 31, 2023).

## Accumulated deficit

The net income of the Bank, less any allocation to reserves, is considered ascertained surplus and is transferred to the Receiver General for Canada, consistent with the requirement of section 27 of the *Bank of Canada Act*. However, the *Budget Implementation Act, 2023, No. 1* temporarily requires the Bank to apply any of its ascertained surplus to the accumulated deficit until the earlier of the following events occurs: either the accumulated deficit is equal to zero, or the ascertained surplus applied to the accumulated deficit is equal to the losses that the Bank incurred from the purchase of securities as part of the Government of Canada Bond Purchase Program. Despite the losses in the last two years, the mandate of the Bank allows for sufficient cash flows to continue operations and meet its obligations. As at March 31, 2024, the Bank had an accumulated deficit balance of \$7,672 million (\$6,738 million as at December 31, 2023).

The Bank withholds from its remittance to the Receiver General for Canada, per the remittance agreement with the Minister of Finance, an amount equal to any increase in cumulative net unrealized losses on financial assets that are classified and measured at FVOCI, unrealized remeasurements of the net defined-benefit liability/asset on defined-benefit plans, and other unrealized or non-cash losses arising from changes in accounting standards or legislation. Any decrease in previously withheld cumulative net unrealized non-cash losses is added to the remittance. As at March 31, 2024, no balance in withheld remittances was outstanding to the Receiver General for Canada (\$nil as at December 31, 2023).

# 11. Related parties

Persons or entities are considered related parties to the Bank if they are:

- under common ownership to the Government of Canada;
- a post-employment benefit plan for the benefit of Bank employees; or
- a member of key management personnel, which includes members of the Executive Council, the Governing Council or the Board of Directors, and their families.

#### Government of Canada

The Bank is related in terms of common ownership to all Government of Canada departments, agencies and Crown corporations. To achieve its monetary policy objectives, the Bank maintains a position of structural and functional independence from the Government of Canada through its ability to fund its own operations without external assistance, and through its management and governance.

In the normal course of its operations, the Bank enters into transactions with related parties, and material transactions and balances are presented in these condensed interim financial statements. Not all transactions between the Bank and government-related entities have been disclosed, as permitted by the partial exemption available to wholly owned government entities in International Accounting Standard 24 *Related Party Disclosures* (IAS 24).

The Bank provides funds management, fiscal agent and banking services to the Government of Canada, as mandated by the *Bank of Canada Act*, and does not recover the costs of these services.

#### Bank of Canada Pension Plan

The Bank provides management, investment and administrative support to the Pension Plan and recovers the cost of these services.