



ANN SHERRY AO

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Ann is the Chief Executive Officer, Westpac New Zealand and Group Executive, Westpac New Zealand and the Pacific. Ann is the first female CEO of a bank in New Zealand. She has responsibility for Westpac operations in New Zealand and seven Pacific countries. Westpac is New Zealand's second largest corporation.

Previously, Ann was the CEO of the Bank of Melbourne and Group Executive, People & Performance. Ann has been with Westpac for 11 years, and in that time has worked in all key business units including Institutional Banking and Retail Banking in Australia.

Prior to Westpac, Ann was First Assistant Secretary of the Office of the Status of Women in Canberra. In this role Ann advised the Prime Minister on policies and programs to improve the status of women in Australia and was Australia's representative to the United Nations forums on human rights and women's rights.

Ann is Chair of the Growth & Innovation Advisory Board, a member of the Board of The New Zealand Institute and a member of the New Zealand Business Council for Sustainable Development. She is a Fellow of the Institute of Banking & Finance and a Fellow of the Institute of Public Administration.

In 2003 Ann was awarded a Centenary Medal by the Australian Government for her work on providing banking services to disadvantaged communities.

In January 2004 Ann was awarded an Order of Australia for her contribution to the Australian community through the promotion of corporate management policies and practices that embrace gender equity, social justice and work and family partnerships.