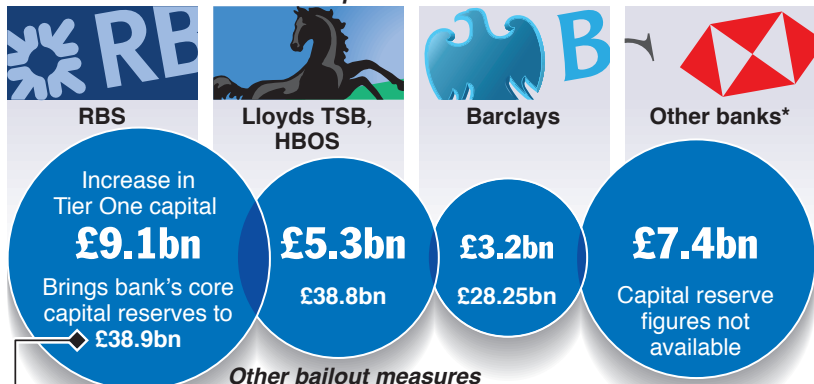


Taxpayers fund British bank rescue package

The UK government has announced a bank rescue package worth up to £50 billion, about £2,000 per taxpayer. The part-nationalisation will enable the big banks to increase their Tier One capital ratio – the permanent level of capital required to provide protection against unexpected losses

Initial increases in Tier One capital reserves: £25 billion



Tier One capital:
European banks maintain reserves of 6-10% of total risk-weighted assets

Other bailout measures

£25bn
Additional Tier One increases for other institutions

£200bn
Bank of England's Special Liquidity Scheme doubled

£250bn
Guaranteed extra funds to support inter-bank lending

*UK subsidiary of HSBC, Abbey, Standard Chartered, and Nationwide Building Society

Sources: Financial Times, UK Treasury statement

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