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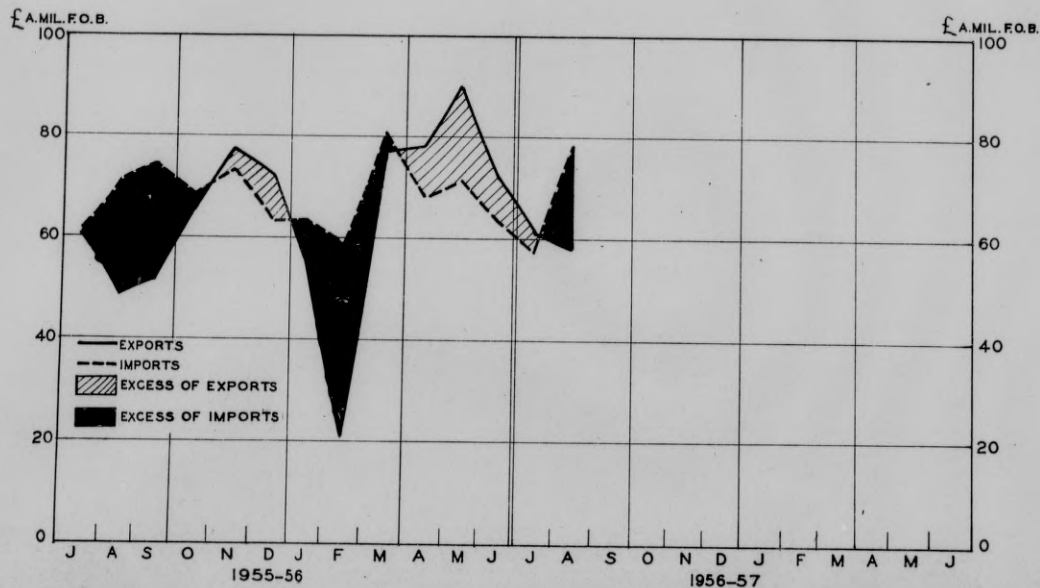
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NOTE

(i) Basic Documents

The Oversea Trade Statistics published herein have been compiled from documents obtained under the Customs Act and supplied to the Commonwealth Bureau of Census and Statistics by the Department of Customs and Excise.

These documents are duplicate copies of export and import entries submitted by exporters and importers or their agents to the Department of Customs and Excise.

Export entries show date and port of shipment, country of consignment and the description, quantity (where required) and value of the goods. The statistical item number is inserted and verified by officers of the Department of Customs and Excise, Canberra.

Import entries show date and port of entry, country of origin, description of goods, quantity (where required), value of the goods and amount of duty paid thereon. The statistical item number is inserted by the importer or his agent, together with the tariff item number under which the goods are admitted and these are verified by statistical officers of the Customs and Excise Department in the local offices of Collectors of Customs.

(ii) EXPORTS are recorded statistically in the month in which the export entries are passed by the Department of Customs and Excise. Normally this is within a few days of shipment, but shipment of some major items is at times delayed by abnormal factors affecting sales, deliveries for export and the loading of ships. When such delays occur, exports are diminished (pro tanto) and when such delays are overtaken shipments include substantial quantities of accumulated stock as well as current disposals.

In addition to the above, shipments of the two major exports - wool and wheat - are affected by special factors. Wool shipments in any trade year are at times materially affected by the fact that wool auctions normally end in May or June, and there is a variable carry-over for shipment in the next trade year. New season's wheat normally becomes available for shipment from December onwards, and the quantity shipped in any trade year (ending June) depends on the size of the crop and the time spread of sales for export.

During the war and in some subsequent years the factors mentioned caused marked variations in shipments within any trade year. This materially influenced the quantity and value of exports recorded for individual months and years, and consequently the recorded excess of exports over imports.

(iii) IMPORTS are recorded statistically in the month in which import entries are passed by the Department of Customs and Excise. Normally this is within a few days of discharge of cargoes.

(iv) Balance of Payments:

Statistics relating to overseas trade only do not measure Australia's total Balance of Payments during the periods shown. Particulars of other transactions entering into the balance of payments (in particular, freight and insurance charges on imports, current production of Australian gold, overseas payments of dividends, profits, interest and royalties, Government expenditure overseas, etc.) are shown in a printed bulletin published by the Commonwealth Statistician entitled "The Australian Balance of Payments 1928-29 to 1951-52". Less detailed estimates for the years 1952-53, 1953-54 and 1954-55 and the six months ended December, 1955 have been published in mimeographed form. For items such as naval ships, merchant vessels trading overseas, aircraft for use on overseas routes and certain materials for inter-governmental defence projects, no customs entries are recorded but these transactions are taken into account in estimating Balance of Payments.

1. THE TRADE POSITION

This Bulletin relates to the Oversea Trade of Australia for the month of August, 1956 and the two months ended August, 1956. Figures for these periods are subject to revision.

Imports of Merchandise in August, 1956 were valued at £A78,776,000 compared with £A71,168,000 in August, 1955, an increase of £A7,608,000 or 10.7 per cent.

Exports of Merchandise in August, 1956 were valued at £A58,227,000 compared with £A48,732,000 in August, 1955, an increase of £A9,495,000 or 19.5 per cent.

Imports of Merchandise for the two months ended August, 1956 were valued at £A136,108,000 compared with £A132,698,000 for the two months ended August, 1955, an increase of £A3,410,000 or 2.6 per cent.

Exports of Merchandise for the two months ended August, 1956 were valued at £A119,255,000 compared with £A109,618,000 for the two months ended August, 1955, an increase of £A9,637,000 or 8.8 per cent.

The table below shows the Oversea Trade in Merchandise and in Bullion and Specie for the periods under review.

OVERSEA TRADE - MERCHANDISE AND BULLION AND SPECIE AUGUST, 1955 AND 1956 AND THE TWO MONTHS ENDED AUGUST, 1955 AND 1956 (£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment)

Item	August		Two months ended August	
	1955	1956 (a)	1955	1956 (a)
Merchandise - Imports ..	71,168	78,776	132,698	136,108
Exports ..	48,732	58,227	109,618	119,255
Excess of Exports (+) or Imports (-)	-22,436	-20,549	-23,080	-16,853
Bullion and Specie - Imports ..	227	80	235	291
Exports ..	2,599	3,238	4,705	7,080
Excess of Exports (+) or Imports (-)	+ 2,372	+ 3,158	+ 4,470	+ 6,789
Total Trade - Imports ..	71,395	78,856	132,933	136,399
Exports ..	51,331	61,465	114,323	126,335
Excess of Exports (+) or Imports (-)	-20,064	-17,391	-18,610	-10,064

(a) Preliminary figures subject to revision.

Freight and insurance charges on imports are not included above. These were estimated at £92.3 million for the financial year 1954-55, and at £53.1 million for the six months ended December, 1955.

OVERSEA TRADE - MERCHANDISE 1955-56 AND 1956-57 (£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment)

Month	Merchandise			
	Imports		Exports	
	1955-56	1956-57 (a)	1955-56 (a)	1956-57 (a)
July ..	61,530	(b) 57,332	60,886	(b) 61,028
August ..	(b) 71,168	78,776	48,732	58,227
September ..	(b) 74,894		51,434	
October ..	(b) 68,139		55,616	
November ..	(b) 73,371		77,886	
December ..	(b) 63,195		72,384	
January ..	(b)(c) 63,433		(c) 55,352	
February ..	(b)(c) 59,130		(c) 20,123	
March ..	(b)(c) 80,531		(c) 77,527	
April ..	(b) 67,964		(c) 78,226	
May ..	(b) 71,567		(c) 90,013	
June ..	(b) 63,371		(c) 72,901	

(a) Preliminary figures subject to revision.

(b) Revised since previous issue.

(c) Affected by industrial dispute.

THE TRADE POSITION (continued)

The value of Australia's trade with countries in the sterling and non-sterling areas during August, 1955, July and August, 1956 and the two months ended August, 1955 and 1956 is shown in the following table.

OVERSEA TRADE WITH STERLING AND NON-STERLING AREAS
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment)

Particulars	August, 1955	July, 1956	August, 1956	Two months ended August	
				1955	1956
<u>STERLING AREA</u>					
<u>Imports</u>					
From - United Kingdom ..	28,695	23,895	36,266	50,861	60,161
Other Sterling Area Countries ..	12,429	10,271	11,201	23,187	21,472
<u>Total:</u>	41,124	34,166	47,467	74,048	81,633
<u>Exports</u>					
To - United Kingdom ..	16,079	16,139	16,268	36,652	32,407
Other Sterling Area Countries ..	13,839	12,306	18,396	27,587	30,702
<u>Total:</u>	29,918	28,445	34,664	64,239	63,109
<u>Excess of Exports (+) or Imports (-)</u>	-11,206	-5,721	-12,803	-9,809	-18,524
<u>DOLLAR AREA</u>					
<u>Imports</u>					
From - United States of America ..	6,912	6,757	8,280	14,990	15,037
Canada ..	2,500	1,480	2,717	4,511	4,197
Other Dollar Area Countries ..	120	215	584	365	799
<u>Total:</u>	9,532	8,452	11,581	19,866	20,033
<u>Exports</u>					
To - United States of America ..	2,241	6,843	3,520	8,049	10,363
Canada ..	1,894	648	2,029	3,071	2,677
Other Dollar Area Countries ..	492	709	440	1,085	1,149
<u>Total:</u>	4,627	8,200	5,989	12,205	14,189
<u>Excess of Exports (+) or Imports (-)</u>	-4,905	-252	-5,592	-7,661	-5,844
<u>OTHER NON-STERLING AREAS</u>					
<u>Imports</u>					
From - Countries of the O.E.E.C.(a) (including dependencies)	12,340	8,366	11,496	23,691	19,862
Other Countries ..	8,399	6,559	8,312	15,328	14,871
<u>Total:</u>	20,739	14,925	19,808	39,019	34,733
<u>Exports</u>					
To - Countries of the O.E.E.C.(a) (including dependencies)	5,705	14,997	9,201	18,839	24,198
Other Countries ..	11,081	13,228	11,611	19,040	24,839
<u>Total:</u>	16,786	28,225	20,812	37,879	49,037
<u>Excess of Exports (+) or Imports (-)</u>	-3,953	+13,300	+1,004	-1,140	+14,304
<u>TOTAL IMPORTS:</u>	71,395	57,543	78,856	132,933	136,399
<u>TOTAL EXPORTS:</u>	51,331	64,870	61,465	114,323	126,335
<u>Excess of Exports (+) or Imports (-)</u>	-20,064	+7,327	-17,391	-18,610	-10,064

(a) Organization for European Economic Co-operation.

2. IMPORTS

(a) Countries of Origin: Total imports (including Outside Packages and Bullion and Specie) into Australia from Principal Countries during August, 1955 and 1956 and the two months ended August, 1955 and 1956 are shown hereunder:-

(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment)

Country of Origin	August		Two months ended August	
	1955	1956	1955	1956
United Kingdom ..	28,695	36,266	50,861	60,161
Australian Territories -				
New Guinea ..	387	573	669	1,038
Other ..	293	259	550	510
Borneo (British) ..	1,113	647	2,053	1,842
Canada ..	2,500	2,717	4,511	4,197
Ceylon ..	237	1,316	430	2,064
Christmas Is. ..	86	60	129	76
East Africa (British) ..	205	75	208	297
Hong Kong ..	267	377	478	518
India, Republic of ..	1,718	2,914	4,963	4,962
Malaya, Fed. of ..	2,141	550	3,800	1,601
New Zealand ..	748	1,035	1,407	2,243
Pacific Is. (British) ..	257	182	367	401
Pakistan ..	210	248	357	406
Rhodesia and Nyasaland ..	1,474	585	2,085	1,124
Singapore ..	290	10	334	25
South Africa, Union of ..	412	378	751	664
West Africa - Gold Coast ..	37	775	37	784
Other British Countries ..	218	236	453	430
<u>TOTAL BRITISH COUNTRIES:</u>	<u>41,288</u>	<u>49,203</u>	<u>74,443</u>	<u>83,343</u>
Arabian States ..	2,596	1,248	5,038	3,342
Argentina ..	-	109	-	234
Austria ..	415	388	811	677
Belgium - Luxemburg ..	806	719	1,648	1,412
Brazil ..	358	208	408	252
Chile ..	144	182	156	222
China ..	150	177	309	329
Czechoslovakia ..	364	335	560	571
Denmark ..	233	119	365	201
Egypt ..	21	13	34	32
Finland ..	359	286	707	594
France ..	1,375	1,119	2,940	1,895
Germany, Fed. Rep. of ..	3,173	3,619	6,151	6,044
Hungary ..	36	57	56	112
Indonesia ..	1,941	2,118	3,771	4,319
Iran ..	1,468	2,551	2,692	3,890
Italy ..	1,235	961	2,312	1,838
Japan ..	2,857	1,317	4,686	2,471
Netherlands ..	1,440	1,225	2,843	2,113
Netherlands Antilles ..	270	65	451	65
Norway ..	634	653	983	950
Poland ..	12	31	19	36
Portugal ..	77	57	144	91
Spain ..	120	179	276	270
Sweden ..	1,257	1,499	2,428	2,519
Switzerland ..	1,217	846	2,132	1,612
U.S.S.R. ..	39	20	85	43
United States of America ..	6,912	8,280	14,990	15,037
Venezuela ..	95	447	309	447
Other Foreign Countries ..	503	823	1,186	1,438
<u>TOTAL FOREIGN COUNTRIES:</u>	<u>30,107</u>	<u>29,653</u>	<u>58,490</u>	<u>53,056</u>
<u>TOTAL ALL COUNTRIES:</u>	<u>71,395</u>	<u>78,856</u>	<u>132,933</u>	<u>136,399</u>

IMPORTS (Continued)

(b) Statistical Classes: Total Imports during the two months ended August, 1955 and 1956 are compared hereunder according to Statistical Classes.

(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment)

Statistical Class		Two Months ended August	
		1955	1956
I. Foodstuffs of Animal Origin ..		1,406	839
II. Foodstuffs of Vegetable Origin and Non-alcoholic Beverages ..		1,770	5,130
III. Spirituous and Alcoholic Liquors ..		300	357
IV. Tobacco ..		3,036	1,416
V. Live Animals ..		165	158
VI. Animal Substances, not Foodstuffs ..		572	628
VII. Vegetable Substances and Fibres; Cork and Manufactures; and Synthetic Fibres		3,093	3,125
VIII. Yarns and Manufactured Fibres, Textiles and Apparel			
(a) Yarns and Manufactured Fibres ..		4,799	5,348
(b) Textiles ..		14,296	12,231
(c) Apparel ..		2,049	1,694
<u>Total Class VIII:</u>		21,144	19,273
IX. Oils, Fats and Waxes ..		17,627	15,228
X. Pigments, Paints and Varnishes ..		682	1,147
XI. Rocks, Minerals and Hydrocarbons ..		1,272	814
XII. Metals, Metal Manufactures and Machinery			
(a) Metals and Metal Manufactures		26,821	27,460
(b) Dynamo Electrical Machinery and Electrical Appliances and Equipment ..		4,682	7,237
(c) Machines and Machinery (except Dynamo Electrical) ..		14,754	19,463
<u>Total Class XII:</u>		46,257	54,160
XIII. Rubber and Leather and Manufactures thereof			
(a) Rubber and Rubber Manufactures		4,203	2,803
(b) Leather and Leather Manufactures		116	140
<u>Total Class XIII:</u>		4,319	2,943
XIV. Wood and Wicker ..		3,900	3,164
XV. Earthenware, Cement, China, Glass and Stoneware ..		2,194	2,399
XVI. Paper and Stationery			
(a) Pulp, Paper and Board ..		5,598	6,245
(b) Paper Manufactures and Stationery		1,837	2,214
<u>Total Class XVI:</u>		7,435	8,459
XVII. Sporting Materials, Toys, Fancy Goods, Jewellery and Timepieces ..		2,176	1,624
XVIII. Optical, Surgical and Scientific Instruments and Appliances and Photographic Goods, n.e.l. ..		1,652	1,858
XIX. Chemicals, Medicinal and Pharmaceutical Products, Essential Oils and Fertilizers ..		4,195	5,234
XX. Miscellaneous ..		9,503	8,152
XXI. Gold and Silver; Bronze Specie ..		235	291
<u>TOTAL:</u>		132,933	136,399

3. EXPORTS

(a) Countries of Consignment: Total Exports (Australian produce plus re-exports) including Bullion and Specie from Australia to Principal Countries during August, 1955 and 1956 and the two months ended August, 1955 and 1956 are shown hereunder:-
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment)

Country of Consignment	August		Two months ended August	
	1955	1956	1955	1956
United Kingdom ..	16,079	16,268	36,652	32,407
Australian Territories -				
New Guinea ..	706	883	1,720	1,694
Papua ..	564	614	1,445	1,091
Other ..	95	104	165	215
Borneo (British) ..	109	83	213	177
Canada ..	1,894	2,029	3,071	2,677
Ceylon ..	523	1,266	1,419	1,846
Cyprus ..	16	33	349	45
Hong Kong ..	2,679	3,678	5,003	4,884
India, Republic of ..	902	1,656	1,251	3,762
Ireland, Republic of ..	14	274	19	303
Malaya, Fed. of ..	1,637	607	1,997	1,300
Malta ..	99	81	187	128
Mauritius ..	102	62	261	211
New Zealand ..	3,975	5,116	7,718	8,159
Pacific Is. (British) ..	481	541	1,007	1,088
Pakistan ..	65	976	460	1,510
Rhodesia and Nyasaland ..	34	316	335	340
Singapore ..	1,160	883	1,852	1,895
South Africa, Union of ..	78	488	411	626
West Indies (British) ..	42	109	220	195
Other British Countries ..	167	440	561	883
<u>TOTAL BRITISH COUNTRIES:</u>	<u>31,421</u>	<u>36,507</u>	<u>66,316</u>	<u>65,428</u>
Arabian States ..	201	168	358	401
Austria ..	1	46	41	65
Belgium - Luxemburg ..	486	1,241	3,056	4,540
Burma ..	180	166	476	248
China ..	264	285	394	615
Czechoslovakia ..	22	85	271	394
Denmark ..	81	41	131	99
Egypt ..	102	90	164	126
France ..	2,130	3,541	7,073	9,503
French Dependencies - New Caledonia ..	267	408	435	696
Germany, Fed. Rep. of ..	1,072	1,576	3,148	4,240
Greece ..	70	26	117	61
Indonesia ..	605	246	939	710
Iraq ..	184	22	193	33
Italy ..	653	976	3,103	2,772
Japan ..	7,647	8,616	13,484	19,469
Korea ..	196	26	301	81
Mexico ..	236	106	558	384
Netherlands ..	276	831	496	1,133
Philippines ..	193	213	376	534
Poland ..	1,186	925	1,575	1,056
Portugal ..	8	10	129	106
Spain ..	7	11	84	168
Sweden ..	240	61	351	242
Sudan ..	40	91	152	225
Switzerland ..	23	18	124	59
Syria ..	470	1	520	4
Thailand ..	209	149	254	294
Turkey ..	-	34	11	104
United States of America ..	2,241	3,520	8,049	10,363
Yugoslavia ..	-	7	333	245
Other Foreign Countries ..	620	1,422	1,311	1,937
<u>TOTAL FOREIGN COUNTRIES :</u>	<u>19,910</u>	<u>24,978</u>	<u>48,007</u>	<u>60,907</u>
<u>TOTAL ALL COUNTRIES :</u>	<u>51,331</u>	<u>61,485</u>	<u>114,323</u>	<u>126,335</u>

EXPORTS (Continued)

(b) Statistical Classes: Total exports (Australian produce plus re-exports) during the two months ended August, 1955 and 1956 are compared hereunder according to Statistical Classes:-

(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment)

Statistical Class	Two months ended August	
	1955	1956
I. Foodstuffs of Animal Origin ..	15,486	14,093
II. Foodstuffs of Vegetable Origin and Non-alcoholic Beverages ..	25,309	28,961
III. Spirituous and Alcoholic Liquors ..	263	416
IV. Tobacco ..	143	94
V. Live Animals ..	182	234
VI. Animal Substances, not Foodstuffs ..	42,485	48,173
VII. Vegetable Substances and Fibres; Cork and Manufactures; and Synthetic Fibres ..	453	459
VIII. Yarns and Manufactured Fibres, Textiles and Apparel -		
(a) Yarns and Manufactured Fibres ..	187	196
(b) Textiles ..	120	128
(c) Apparel ..	67	105
<u>Total Class VIII:</u>	374	429
IX. Oils, Fats and Waxes ..	1,457	2,556
X. Pigments, Paints and Varnishes ..	206	194
XI. Rocks, Minerals and Hydrocarbons ..	3,815	5,279
XII. Metals, Metal Manufactures and Machinery		
(a) Metals and Metal Manufactures ..	9,603	10,256
(b) Dynamo Electrical Machinery and Electrical Appliances and Equipment	607	431
(c) Machines and Machinery (except Dynamo Electrical) ..	1,703	1,678
<u>Total Class XII:</u>	11,913	12,365
XIII. Rubber and Leather and Manufactures thereof		
(a) Rubber and Rubber Manufactures ..	145	117
(b) Leather and Leather Manufactures	421	485
<u>Total Class XIII:</u>	566	602
XIV. Wood and Wicker ..	473	374
XV. Earthenware, Cement, China, Glass and Stoneware ..	183	189
XVI. Paper and Stationery ..		
(a) Pulp, Paper and Board ..	135	95
(b) Paper Manufactures and Stationery	393	425
<u>Total Class XVI:</u>	528	520
XVII. Sporting Materials, Toys, Fancy Goods, Jewellery and Timepieces ..	121	131
XVIII. Optical, Surgical and Scientific Instruments and Appliances and Photographic Goods, n.e.i. ..	209	205
XIX. Chemicals, Medicinal and Pharmaceutical Products, Essential Oils and Fertilizers	767	710
XX. Miscellaneous ..	4,685	3,271
XXI. Gold and Silver; Bronze Specie ..	4,705	7,080
<u>TOTAL:</u>	114,323	126,335

(c) Exports of Wool: The following table shows the value of exports of wool, including sheepskins with wool on, of Australian produce only, in each of the months July, 1955 to August, 1956.

(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment)

Month	1955-56	1956-57	Month	1955-56	1956-57
July ..	28,124	28,796	January ..	24,561	
August ..	13,017	18,055	February ..	8,546	
September ..	18,944		March ..	41,978	
October ..	31,642		April ..	35,936	
November ..	39,365		May ..	41,886	
December ..	38,632		June ..	30,888	

EXPORTS (continued)

(d) Total Quantities (Australian produce plus re-exports) of Principal Items Exported: The following table shows the total quantities of principal items exported during the two months ended August, 1955 and 1956.

Particulars	Unit of Quantity	Two months ended August	
		1955	1956
<u>CLASS I - Foodstuffs of Animal Origin:</u>			
Butter	'000 lb.	16,808	23,858
Cheese	"	3,462	1,737
Processed milk (excluding infants' and invalids' foods) -			
Condensed	"	5,120	7,028
Dried, including malted	"	14,551	6,253
Infants' and invalids' foods	"	967	1,660
Eggs -			
In shell	'000 doz.	1,559	1,484
Not in shell	'000 lb.	175	26
Meats, poultry and game -			
Bacon and hams	"	135	116
Offals	"	5,194	4,657
Preserved by cold process -			
Beef and veal	"	70,192	54,634
Lamb	"	1,095	1,262
Mutton	"	3,332	2,300
Pork	"	533	212
Poultry	"	391	141
Rabbits and hares -			
Furred (carcasses)	'000 prs.	22	25
Skinned (carcasses and pieces)	'000 lb.	5,415	4,758
Preserved in airtight containers	"	22,216	18,928
Sausage casings, natural	bundles	234,925	219,522
<u>CLASS II - Foodstuffs of Vegetable Origin:</u>			
Fruit -			
Dried -			
Currants	'000 lb.	4,804	3,505
Raisins	"	41,620	13,921
Fresh -			
Apples	bushel	415,802	152,260
Citrus	"	206,640	208,110
Preserved in airtight containers	'000 lb.	61,664	35,116
Pulped	"	1,248	225
Grain or cereals -			
Prepared -			
Barley - pearl and scotch	"	79	-
Flour, (wheaten) plain white	"	202,975	249,756
Oatmeal and rolled oats	"	3,364	1,102
Rice	cwt.	154,867	140,407
Unprepared -			
Barley	ton	51,770	168,447
Oats	"	14,280	34,232
Wheat	"	257,879	477,526
Jams and fruit jellies	'000 lb.	1,147	1,063
Sugar (cane)	ton	84,924	97,671
Vegetables, preserved or pulped	'000 lb.	404	193
<u>CLASS III - Spirituous Liquors:</u>			
Wine	'000 gal.	228	362

EXPORTS (Continued)

Particulars	Unit of Quantity	Two months ended August	
		1955	1956
<u>CLASS VI - Animal Substances, not Foodstuffs:</u>			
Hides and skins -			
Calf, cattle and horse ..	'000 lb.	6,127	5,137
Kangaroo and wallaby ..	"	102	67
Rabbit and hare ..	"	790	534
Sheep and lamb ..	"	16,836	14,727
Wool -			
Greasy ..	"	101,207	118,447
Scoured and washed, slipe, carbonized, tops, noils and waste ..	"	19,979	21,386
<u>CLASS IX - Oils, Fats and Waxes:</u>			
Tallow, edible and inedible ..	ton	4,556	5,211
<u>CLASS XI - Stones and Minerals:</u>			
Coal ..	ton	41,325	78,450
Ores and concentrates -			
Lead and silver-lead ..	"	11,414	9,662
Zinc ..	"	81,534	35,394
<u>CLASS XII - Metals:</u>			
Lead -			
Pig ..	ton	25,545	19,761
Bullion ..	"	7,391	13,299
Zinc, bars, blocks, etc. ..	"	9,884	5,552

(e) **EXPORTS OF PRINCIPAL PRODUCTS OF AUSTRALIAN ORIGIN:** Exports of principal products of Australian Origin to various countries during the two months ended August, 1955 and 1956 are shown in the following table.

Country of Consignment	Two months ended August			
	1955		1956	
	'000 lb.	'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment	'000 lb.	'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment
BEEF AND VEAL - PRESERVED BY COLD PROCESS				
United Kingdom ..	57,385	3,759	41,298	2,558
Bermuda ..	281	43	310	46
Hong Kong ..	611	47	1,238	75
Malta ..	747	63	678	53
Singapore ..	3,262	253	1,538	125
West Indies (British) ..	397	35	133	14
Other British Countries ..	940	113	792	77
Arabian States ..	330	68	260	45
Belgium - Luxemburg ..	548	42	2,767	194
Egypt ..	637	43	22	2
Germany, Fed. Rep. of ..	2,225	155	59	5
Netherlands ..	31	3	171	17
Philippines ..	1,353	105	2,094	157
United States of America ..	423	41	337	40
Other Foreign Countries ..	1,022	94	2,937	226
TOTAL:	70,192	4,864	54,634	3,634
MUTTON AND LAMB - PRESERVED BY COLD PROCESS				
United Kingdom ..	3,029	194	2,213	166
Bermuda ..	40	6	33	5
Canada ..	-	-	-	-
Ceylon ..	40	4	25	3
Hong Kong ..	55	4	85	5
Malaya, Fed. of ..	69	7	50	5
Singapore ..	416	25	518	34
Other British Countries ..	304	29	406	35
Belgium - Luxemburg ..	11	-	-	-
Egypt ..	360	19	34	1
Netherlands ..	-	-	-	-
United States of America ..	11	2	-	-
Other Foreign Countries ..	92	8	198	22
TOTAL:	4,427	298	3,562	276

EXPORTS (Continued)

Country of Consignment	Two months ended August			
	1955		1956	
	Tons	LA'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment	Tons	LA'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment
BARLEY (UNPREPARED)				
United Kingdom ..	6,009	146	13,516	264
Other British Countries ..	64	1	1,779	38
Belgium - Luxemburg ..	3,425	85	8,623	179
Germany, Fed. Rep. of ..	750	17	34,395	407
Italy ..	700	19	10	-
Japan ..	40,815	1,305	90,759	2,074
Netherlands ..	-	-	17,865	374
Other Foreign Countries ..	7	-	1,500	36
TOTAL:	51,770	1,573	168,447	3,372
WHEAT				
United Kingdom ..	68,552	1,767	126,667	3,025
Cyprus ..	11,592	323	-	-
India ..	-	-	104,004	2,543
Ireland, Republic of ..	-	-	-	-
Malaya, Fed. of ..	3,985	114	1,765	49
Malta ..	-	-	50	1
New Zealand ..	45,593	1,210	50,445	1,232
Pakistan ..	-	-	40,339	1,020
Rhodesia and Nyasaland ..	9,392	257	7,804	202
Singapore ..	949	29	225	6
Other British Countries ..	3,029	83	8,889	213
Germany, Fed. Rep. of ..	-	-	24,655	548
Iraq ..	6,225	173	-	-
Italy ..	-	-	-	-
Japan ..	75,232	2,096	49,688	1,245
Netherlands ..	931	24	-	-
Portuguese Dependencies - Mozambique ..	-	-	-	-
Syria ..	17,961	469	-	-
Other Foreign Countries ..	14,438	392	62,995	1,718
TOTAL:	257,879	6,937	477,526	11,802
FLOUR (WHEATEN), PLAIN WHITE				
United Kingdom ..	32,868	472	51,383	388
Aden ..	672	10	6,880	96
Borneo (British) ..	1,802	30	3,068	46
Ceylon ..	39,341	598	63,870	781
Hong Kong ..	996	14	2,835	40
India ..	15	-	-	-
Malaya, Fed. of ..	12,291	209	15,884	256
Mauritius ..	9,744	141	7,840	103
Pacific Is. - Fiji ..	2,458	40	2,710	41
Singapore ..	12,658	209	14,177	209
Other British Countries ..	21,264	329	14,278	179
Arabian States ..	4,853	72	6,964	89
Burma ..	8,926	146	6,371	98
Egypt ..	1,367	21	2,145	40
French Dependencies ..	3,180	60	3,653	60
Indonesia ..	42,147	697	20,849	317
Thailand ..	5,222	90	8,933	135
Other Foreign Countries ..	3,171	51	17,916	253
TOTAL:	202,975	3,189	249,756	3,131

EXPORTS (Continued)

Country of Consignment	Two months ended August			
	1955		1956	
	'000 lb.	£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment	'000 lb.	£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment
BUTTER				
United Kingdom ..	13,985	2,287	21,134	3,285
Australian Territories -				
New Guinea ..	45	9	50	9
Papua ..	85	17	31	6
Borneo (British) ..	49	11	69	15
Ceylon ..	468	90	369	66
Guiana (British) ..	63	13	11	2
Hong Kong ..	287	55	285	51
India ..	121	27	54	11
Malaya, Fed. of ..	151	34	205	43
Mauritius ..	49	12	76	18
Singapore ..	297	60	474	89
West Africa (British) ..	44	10	40	9
West Indies (British) ..	133	30	67	13
Other British Countries ..	277	58	282	53
Arabian States ..	95	22	141	31
Burma ..	19	4	10	2
Egypt ..	54	10	39	7
French Dependencies - New Caledonia	61	13	86	16
Germany, Fed. Rep. of ..	-	-	-	-
Indonesia ..	62	15	35	8
Japan ..	18	3	9	2
Netherlands Antilles ..	64	16	41	12
Peru ..	22	5	22	5
Philippines ..	78	19	63	14
U.S.S.R. ..	-	-	-	-
Other Foreign Countries ..	281	60	265	55
TOTAL:	16,808	2,880	23,858	3,822
SUGAR (CANE)				
United Kingdom ..	27,703	964	16,044	562
Australian Territories - New Guinea	289	17	328	21
Canada ..	40,197	1,458	45,435	1,471
Ceylon ..	-	-	-	-
Hong Kong ..	1,005	36	13,289	467
New Zealand ..	14,455	731	20,349	961
Singapore ..	-	-	-	-
Other British Countries ..	700	42	1,767	78
French Dependencies - New Caledonia	423	26	453	26
Japan ..	-	-	-	-
Other Foreign Countries ..	152	13	6	-
TOTAL:	84,924	3,287	97,671	3,586
SHEEP AND LAMB SKINS				
United Kingdom ..	'000 lb. 2,093	349	'000 lb. 1,628	290
Other British Countries ..	-	-	61	4
Belgium - Luxembourg ..	158	30	172	37
France ..	14,070	2,531	12,217	2,239
Italy ..	174	32	424	76
Netherlands ..	18	2	63	9
United States of America ..	102	7	74	6
Other Foreign Countries ..	221	36	88	15
TOTAL:	(a) 16,836	2,987	(b) 14,727	2,676

(a) 2,207,716 skins.

(b) 1,860,739 skins.

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EXPORTS (Continued)

Country of Consignment				Two months ended August			
				1955		1956	
				Tons	EA'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment	Tons	EA'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment
<u>LEAD (FIG)</u>							
United Kingdom	..	..	18,481	2,320	4,324	614	
New Zealand	..	..	518	66	931	130	
South Africa, Union of ..	..	..	299	38	-	-	
Other British Countries ..	..	..	24	3	200	30	
United States of America ..	..	..	5,836	744	13,695	1,871	
Other Foreign Countries ..	..	..	387	51	611	83	
<u>TOTAL:</u>				25,545	3,222	19,761	2,728

WOOL, GREASY

United Kingdom	..	..	25,220	7,171	27,491	8,254	
Canada	..	..	259	82	412	130	
Ireland, Republic of ..	..	..	-	-	714	288	
South Africa, Union of ..	..	..	134	34	499	144	
Other British Countries ..	..	..	113	39	104	28	
Austria	..	..	93	34	177	61	
Belgium - Luxembourg ..	..	..	8,823	1,851	15,761	3,390	
Czechoslovakia	..	..	793	261	1,130	376	
France	..	..	14,803	4,005	19,770	5,627	
Germany, Fed. Rep. of ..	..	..	5,779	1,638	5,553	1,711	
Italy	..	..	6,673	1,976	6,624	1,745	
Japan	..	..	25,329	8,559	33,175	11,548	
Mexico	..	..	1,332	470	1,010	328	
Netherlands	..	..	130	39	119	22	
Poland	..	..	3,999	1,575	3,065	1,029	
Portugal	..	..	339	114	-	-	
Spain	..	..	272	75	502	166	
Sweden	..	..	191	60	15	4	
Switzerland	..	..	275	78	43	9	
Turkey	..	..	-	-	233	80	
United States of America ..	..	..	5,517	1,870	1,236	355	
Yugoslavia	..	..	973	332	653	238	
Other Foreign Countries ..	..	..	143	43	161	71	
<u>TOTAL:</u>				(a) 101,190	30,306	(b) 118,447	35,604

WOOL - SCOURED AND WASHED, SLIPE, CARBONIZED, NOILS, TOPS AND WASTE

United Kingdom	..	..	5,685	2,075	4,504	1,620	
Canada	..	..	399	159	474	175	
Hong Kong	..	..	166	102	80	48	
India	..	..	333	183	751	365	
Ireland, Republic of ..	..	..	21	8	19	7	
Pakistan	..	..	121	61	146	70	
South Africa, Union of ..	..	..	96	38	35	15	
Other British Countries ..	..	..	127	79	76	47	
Belgium - Luxembourg ..	..	..	678	231	593	189	
China	..	..	706	386	1,309	614	
Denmark	..	..	241	93	110	41	
France	..	..	942	366	1,094	436	
Germany, Fed. Rep. of ..	..	..	1,800	686	1,064	405	
Greece	..	..	262	110	142	58	
Italy	..	..	1,352	485	1,377	449	
Japan	..	..	1,106	522	5,705	2,614	
Korea	..	..	721	279	42	24	
Mexico	..	..	66	27	117	47	
Netherlands	..	..	237	75	111	40	
United States of America ..	..	..	4,052	1,465	2,787	989	
Other Foreign Countries ..	..	..	860	420	843	365	
<u>TOTAL:</u>				(c) 19,971	7,850	(d) 21,379	8,618

(a) 331,206 bales. (b) 395,054 bales. (c) 78,194 bales, excluding bales of wool waste. (d) 74,681 bales, excluding bales of wool waste.

4. VALUE OF COMMODITIES IMPORTED AND EXPORTED DURING AUGUST, 1955 AND 1956
AND THE TWO MONTHS ENDED AUGUST, 1955 AND 1956

TOTAL IMPORTS
 (£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment)

Particulars	August		Two months ended August	
	1955	1956	1955	1956
CLASS I - Foodstuffs of Animal Origin				
Cheese ..	46	20	84	42
Fish -				
Fresh or preserved by cold process ..	195	140	308	231
Preserved in airtight containers ..	430	176	707	353
Other ..	98	61	150	82
Lactose ..	31	16	42	23
Meats -				
Sausage Casings (excluding synthetic) ..	59	29	67	54
Other ..	17	17	26	21
Other foodstuffs of animal origin ..	16	23	22	33
Total Class I:	894	482	1,406	839
CLASS II - Foodstuffs of Vegetable Origin and Non-alcoholic Beverages:				
Cocoa butter ..	181	113	308	166
Cocoa beans, mass, paste or slab ..	129	874	188	955
Coffee and chicory ..	165	109	193	297
Confectionery, including cocoa and chocolate	32	18	43	27
Fruit, dried-dates ..	1	1	12	1
Grain and pulse ..	31	51	59	74
Hops ..	-	-	56	-
Nuts, edible ..	134	119	240	240
Pickles and sauces ..	10	16	15	28
Sago and tapioca ..	18	3	31	9
Spices ..	65	58	125	107
Sugar and sugar syrups ..	-	4	-	4
Tea ..	137	1,611	267	2,865
Vegetables, preserved in airtight containers	43	87	113	197
Other foodstuffs of vegetable origin ..	87	86	120	160
Total Class II:	1,033	3,150	1,770	5,130
CLASS III - Spirituous and Alcoholic Liquors:				
Ale, beer, porter, cider and perry ..	1	3	5	23
Spirits (beverages) -				
Whisky ..	119	171	205	276
Other ..	54	28	71	42
Wine, fermented ..	8	7	19	16
Total Class III:	182	209	300	357
CLASS IV - Tobacco:				
Cigarettes ..	90	40	253	55
Cigars ..	7	13	17	30
Snuff ..	-	1	-	1
Tobacco -				
Manufactured ..	8	18	13	22
Unmanufactured ..	1,543	566	2,753	1,308
Total Class IV:	1,648	638	3,036	1,416
CLASS V - Live Animals				
	71	73	165	158

TOTAL IMPORTS (Continued)
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment)

Particulars	August		Two months ended August	
	1955	1956	1955	1956
CLASS VI - Animal Substances, not Foodstuffs:				
Coarse hair and fibre ..	62	66	96	128
Hides and skins -				
Calf and cattle ..	12	4	16	12
Furred skins ..	69	42	98	77
Goat ..	4	62	41	65
Other ..	5	11	6	16
Shells ..	14	23	42	31
Wool ..	147	108	233	232
Other animal substances ..	24	42	40	67
Total Class VI:	337	358	572	628
CLASS VII - Vegetable Substances and Fibres:				
Cork and Manufactures; and Synthetic Fibres:				
Copra ..	225	361	402	537
Cork and manufactures ..	58	53	107	78
Fibres -				
Coir ..	21	20	39	38
Cotton, raw ..	621	657	1,057	1,237
Flax and hemp ..	1	32	6	57
Jute ..	-	50	139	134
Kapok ..	26	13	64	39
Sisal ..	131	48	187	137
Synthetic fibres and filaments	100	154	182	214
Other ..	9	13	16	25
Gums and resins ..	104	178	323	266
Seeds -				
Gardening, agricultural and horticultural	218	82	287	201
Linseed ..	-	-	109	-
Other oil seeds ..	2	2	3	19
Tanning substances ..	54	46	110	107
Other vegetable substances ..	48	20	62	36
Total Class VII:	1,618	1,729	3,093	3,125
CLASS VIII - Yarns and Manufactured Fibres,				
Textiles and Apparel:				
(a) Yarns and Manufactured Fibres -				
Bags and sacks -				
Corn and Flour ..	576	834	2,184	1,414
Woolpacks ..	81	447	492	1,001
Other ..	27	34	46	76
Cordage and twines and manufactures thereof	39	34	68	62
Sewing and other cotton	191	213	323	360
Yarns -				
Cotton ..	176	253	281	470
Hair ..	9	25	15	32
Synthetic fibre ..	666	1,390	1,354	1,870
Woollen ..	5	18	11	21
Other ..	9	16	20	31
Waste materials and scrap textile articles	3	7	5	11
Total Class VIII (a):	1,782	3,271	4,799	5,348
(b) Textiles -				
Blankets and blanketing	15	20	26	37
Floor covering ..	1,062	845	1,642	1,362
Articles of furnishing, drapery and napery -				
Handkerchiefs, serviettes and tablecloths	189	138	307	244
Other ..	60	54	109	94
Piece-goods -				
Canvas and duck ..	145	138	205	238
Cotton and linen ..	4,052	4,120	7,357	6,856
Fabrics and felts, impregnated	76	59	128	108
Jute, including hessians and brattice cloth	69	275	576	559
Synthetic fibre ..	1,591	1,126	2,990	1,905
Silk ..	104	69	237	126

TOTAL IMPORTS (Continued)
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment)

Particulars	August		Two months ended August	
	1955	1956	1955	1956
(b) <u>Textiles (Continued)</u>				
Piece-goods -				
Velvets, velveteens, etc.	59	42	127	90
Woollen ..	70	92	134	127
Felts ..	57	49	89	112
Other ..	82	69	134	111
Towels and towelling ..	84	94	147	145
Other textiles ..	54	70	88	117
Total Class VIII (b):	7,769	7,260	14,296	12,231
(c) <u>Apparel -</u>				
Buttons, including snap fasteners	30	27	56	46
Footwear ..	124	87	195	129
Garments -				
Knitted -				
Hosiery ..	30	25	68	40
Outerwear ..	15	7	32	14
Underwear ..	6	8	11	9
Other ..	8	10	27	17
Not knitted -				
Outerwear ..	59	58	109	87
Sleeping wear, underwear, shirts and other sewn garments	45	71	83	80
Gloves ..	134	139	221	187
Hats and caps ..	74	103	155	153
Trimmings and ornaments -				
Embroidery in the piece	88	158	160	281
Lace, nets and veillings	257	200	500	311
Ribbons and galloons	34	22	57	37
Other ..	115	103	228	165
Other apparel ..	80	91	147	138
Total Class VIII (c):	1,099	1,109	2,049	1,694
Total Class VIII:	10,650	11,640	21,144	19,273
<u>CLASS IX - Oils, Fats and Waxes:</u>				
Fats, greases and waxes ..	66	80	159	155
Oils -				
Castor ..	13	59	13	63
Linseed ..	95	109	264	332
Olive ..	59	117	119	164
Peanut (china) ..	10	84	61	151
Petroleum -				
Crude ..	2,901	4,067	5,551	8,389
Kerosene (incl. aviation turbine fuel)	1,051	587	1,678	1,128
Lubricating (mineral) ..	496	764	827	1,155
Residual and solar ..	840	227	1,813	501
Spirit ..	3,462	1,300	6,627	2,051
Turpentine substitutes	97	98	169	205
Other ..	55	438	124	678
Tung (china wood) ..	29	26	68	46
Other ..	54	142	154	210
Total Class IX:	9,228	8,098	17,627	15,228
<u>CLASS X - Pigments, Paints and Varnishes:</u>				
Colour pigments -				
Black ..	60	95	126	194
Titanium oxide and titanium white	64	199	150	339
Other ..	54	99	104	196
Dyes, natural and synthetic, incl. lakes	158	220	266	378
Paints, colours and varnishes	16	19	36	40
Total Class X:	352	632	682	1,147

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TOTAL IMPORTS (Continued)
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment)

Particulars	August		Two months ended August	
	1955	1956	1955	1956
CLASS XI - Rocks, Minerals and Hydrocarbons:				
Abrasives (natural) ..	56	77	92	95
Asbestos ..	229	111	491	259
Sulphur ..	137	105	445	221
Other rocks, minerals, etc. ..	129	132	244	239
Total Class XI:	551	425	1,272	814
CLASS XII - Metals, Metal Manufactures and Machinery				
(a) Metals and Metal Manufactures -				
Aluminium and aluminium-base alloys (excluding wire and cable) ..	462	818	817	1,108
Bolts, nuts, rivets and washers ..	52	87	97	128
Chain and chains of base metal ..	65	70	116	136
Copper and copper-base alloys (excluding wire and cable) -				
Pig ..	609	61	609	61
Other ..	110	70	214	193
Cutlery ..	266	208	424	390
Fencing posts and droppers ..	47	13	99	24
Heating and cooking appliances ..	95	134	160	190
Iron and steel (including special ferro-alloys) -				
Bars, rods, hoop, ingot, etc. ..	1,093	782	2,007	1,521
Ferro-alloys (mainly in lump form) ..	143	224	239	353
Pig, scrap and powder ..	-	1	2	3
Pipes, tubes and fittings therefor ..	176	148	311	267
Plate and sheet-				
Galvanized ..	288	3	576	6
Plain ..	651	475	1,451	773
Tinned, plated, polished and decorated ..	746	1,275	1,420	2,105
Structural ..	206	290	375	509
Kitchenware ..	37	32	70	46
Lamps and lampware ..	56	56	111	107
Leaf and foil ..	137	185	220	274
Meters and parts ..	163	255	328	474
Pins, hooks, eyes, needles and slide fasteners ..	33	29	65	44
Tin ..	7	-	30	37
Tools of trade ..	379	460	638	745
Vehicles -				
Aircraft and parts ..	467	586	959	1,549
Cycles and cycle parts ..	68	79	113	127
Motor cycles, side-cars, etc. ..	99	79	190	157
Motor vehicles -				
Complete ..	1,122	620	2,232	1,029
Bodies and parts ..	557	912	891	1,476
Chassis and parts ..	4,787	6,335	8,737	10,360
Railway and tramway vehicles (including trolley buses) and parts ..	126	109	150	166
Other and parts ..	316	323	484	699
Wire, single strand -				
Iron and steel ..	429	174	715	343
Copper and copper-base alloys ..	3	8	7	15
Other ..	25	23	47	51
Wire manufactures* -				
Aluminium and aluminium-base alloy electrical conductor ..	2	2	49	2
Iron and steel ..	211	122	357	252
Other ..	-	2	1	4
Other metals and semi-manufactures ..	135	153	276	408
Other metal manufactures ..	736	773	1,234	1,328
Total Class XII (a):	14,904	15,976	26,821	27,460

(*) For cable and wire, covered, see Class XII (b).

* Includes all basic shapes, castings and forgings in the rough and pipes and tubes, flexible or metal-cased.

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Particulars	August		Two months ended August	
	1955	1956	1955	1956
CLASS XII - (Continued)				
(b) <u>Dynamo Electrical Machinery and Electrical</u>				
<u>Appliances and Equipment -</u>				
Batteries and accumulators ..	20	54	48	100
Cable and wire, covered ..	210	116	366	179
Communication equipment, including radio and television ..	414	712	734	1,361
<u>Dynamo electric machines -</u>				
Electric motors ..	177	362	394	564
Other ..	227	423	513	825
Heating and cooking appliances ..	103	91	226	158
Ignition equipment for internal combustion engines				
Sparkling plugs and parts ..	43	20	78	37
Other ..	28	34	49	60
Lamps, bulbs, tubes, etc. ..	108	160	215	287
Measuring and recording instruments ..	204	64	378	116
Protective equipment ..	76	99	130	214
Regulating, starting and controlling apparatus	392	648	706	1,065
Transformers and rectifiers ..	167	541	420	954
Other electrical machinery and appliances	206	1,011	425	1,317
<u>Total Class XII (b):</u>	2,375	4,335	4,682	7,237
(c) <u>Machines and Machinery (except Dynamo Electrical) -</u>				
Air and gas compressors ..	60	93	189	188
Agricultural, horticultural, etc., machinery -				
Harvesting ..	253	505	418	779
Other ..	313	186	601	415
Cranes, hoists and other lifting machinery	39	13	90	31
Dairying machinery ..	86	112	153	174
Hand tools (power driven) ..	147	326	273	529
Household machines (except sewing and refrigerating) -				
Vacuum cleaners ..	36	31	88	78
Washing machines ..	54	51	91	88
Other ..	41	72	97	96
Metal-working machinery -				
Machine tools ..	481	638	920	1,338
Other ..	316	561	696	1,136
Motive power machinery -				
Aircraft engines and parts ..	605	670	926	1,095
Power boilers and parts ..	70	62	95	162
Tractors and parts ..	1,275	1,450	2,335	2,529
Turbines and parts ..	248	532	340	808
Other and parts ..	988	2,050	1,736	3,070
Office and accounting machines (incl. taxi meters)	492	661	953	1,130
Printing machinery ..	145	235	422	354
Pumps ..	106	239	177	385
Refrigerating appliances ..	51	113	108	208
Roller and ball bearings ..	242	386	514	675
Sewing machines ..	369	384	598	570
Stone-cutting, road-making and mining machinery	417	690	876	1,232
Textile-working machinery and appliances -				
Knitting machines ..	47	31	109	47
Other ..	198	207	362	378
Other machines and machinery ..	843	1,173	1,587	1,968
<u>Total Class XII (c):</u>	7,922	11,471	14,754	19,463
<u>Total Class XII:</u>	25,201	31,782	46,257	54,160

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Particulars	August		Two months ended August	
	1955	1956	1955	1956
<u>CLASS XIII - Rubber and Leather and Manufactures thereof:</u>				
<u>(a) Rubber and Rubber Manufactures -</u>				
Rubber -				
Crude, waste and masticated	2,039	553	3,538	1,478
Substitutes ..	60	293	90	614
Rubber manufactures -				
Elastics and rubber thread ..	84	133	155	224
Tyres and tubes ..	148	187	272	307
Other ..	73	113	148	180
<u>Total Class XIII (a):</u>	2,404	1,279	4,203	2,803
<u>(b) Leather and Leather Manufactures -</u>				
Leather ..	29	52	57	79
Leather manufactures ..	35	35	59	61
<u>Total Class XIII (b):</u>	64	87	116	140
<u>Total Class XIII:</u>	2,468	1,366	4,319	2,943
<u>CLASS XIV - Wood and Wicker:</u>				
Manufactures of wood and wicker, including plywood, veneers and corestock ..	208	252	307	499
Timber -				
Dressed, bent or cut into shape ..	191	172	324	356
Undressed (including logs) ..	1,619	1,319	3,233	2,278
Wicker, bamboo and cane ..	19	17	36	31
<u>Total Class XIV:</u>	2,037	1,760	3,900	3,164
<u>CLASS XV - Earthenware, Cement, China, Glass and Stoneware:</u>				
Abrasives (synthetic) ..	43	71	105	179
Cement ..	52	9	89	14
Crockery and other householdware ..	422	434	742	726
Glass ..	229	472	411	736
Glassware ..	293	217	483	330
Poreclain for electrical purposes ..	28	50	63	78
Tiles- ..	140	97	237	158
Other earthenware, china, etc. ..	37	154	64	178
<u>Total Class XV:</u>	1,244	1,504	2,194	2,399
<u>CLASS XVI - Paper and Stationery:</u>				
<u>(a) Pulp, Paper and Board -</u>				
Millboard and other boards ..	168	128	266	238
Paper -				
Printings -				
Newsprint ..	1,092	1,509	2,125	2,356
Other ..	461	481	816	916
Tissue and tissue cap (including cigarette)	250	191	402	281
Wrapping and bag papers ..	256	315	461	507
Writing and typewriting ..	242	157	356	259
Other ..	141	182	230	298
Pulp for manufacturing paper ..	356	763	942	1,390
<u>Total Class XVI (a):</u>	2,966	3,726	5,598	6,245

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Particulars	August		Two months ended August	
	1955	1956	1955	1956
CLASS XVI - (Continued)				
(b) <u>Paper Manufactures and Stationery -</u>				
Books (printed), directories, etc.	659	928	1,114	1,526
Pens and pencils -				
Fountain pens and propelling pencils	113	80	203	129
Other ..	27	21	51	33
Other paper manufactures, stationery, etc.	279	240	469	526
<u>Total Class XVI (b):</u>	1,078	1,269	1,837	2,214
<u>Total Class XVI:</u>	4,044	4,995	7,435	8,459
CLASS XVII - Sporting Materials, Toys, Fancy Goods, Jewellery and Timepieces:				
Fancy goods ..	221	131	364	230
Jewellery, including imitation jewellery	163	129	287	212
Precious stones, unset ..	61	88	228	152
Sporting material ..	57	62	96	96
Timepieces -				
Clocks and clock movements ..	144	114	257	193
Watches and watch movements ..	166	97	336	207
Toys ..	374	311	608	534
<u>Total Class XVII:</u>	1,186	932	2,176	1,624
CLASS XVIII - Optical, Surgical and Scientific Instruments and Appliances and Photographic Goods, n.e.i.:				
Cameras and magic lanterns and accessories therefor ..	128	170	250	271
Cinematographs ..	27	68	65	112
Films for cinematographs ..	114	160	236	302
Photographic goods ..	32	58	72	87
Scientific instruments, appliances and materials -				
Optical and ophthalmic ..	156	128	285	202
Surgical and dental ..	237	312	381	469
Thermostats ..	40	41	75	75
Other scientific instruments and appliances	168	226	288	340
<u>Total Class XVIII:</u>	902	1,163	1,652	1,858
CLASS XIX - Chemicals, Medicinal and Pharmaceutical Products, Essential Oils and Fertilizers:				
Acids ..	111	116	213	240
Additives for petroleum oils ..	137	168	201	270
Alcohols and spirits ..	64	145	117	193
Calcium carbide ..	30	43	59	90
Drugs and medicinal preparations -				
Antibiotics ..	132	51	165	65
Vitamin and vitamin preparations	30	52	68	84
Other ..	416	625	778	1,010
Essential oils ..	44	52	81	88
Fertilizers -				
Potash salts ..	41	29	223	44
Rock phosphates ..	326	265	588	497
Other ..	5	152	9	186
Gases, refrigerant ..	15	33	19	51
Perfumery and toilet preparations	76	65	133	118
Soap and soap substitutes ..	72	39	110	67
Sodium carbonates ..	7	-	23	19
Sodium cyanide ..	20	41	26	69
Styrene (monomer) ..	1	74	58	114
Tetraethyl lead ..	25	73	25	96
Chemical compounds, n.e.i. ..	645	1,124	1,148	1,774
Chemical materials and products, n.e.i.	74	78	151	159
<u>Total Class XIX:</u>	2,271	3,225	4,195	5,234

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Particulars	August		Two months ended August	
	1955	1956	1955	1956
<u>CLASS XX - Miscellaneous:</u>				
Antiques, paintings, works of art	27	18	52	24
Arms, ammunition and explosives	69	70	144	183
Bags, baskets, purses, wallets, etc.	105	91	170	144
Brushware ..	25	26	47	41
Cellulose acetate, preformed shapes	25	33	57	65
Imports made subject to the condition that they be re-exported ..	58	182	117	408
Military, naval and air force stores and equipment ..	1,021	824	1,559	1,068
Musical instruments and parts -				
Gramophones, etc., including records	156	106	233	157
Other ..	67	62	126	112
Outside packages ..	1,178	1,516	2,193	2,545
Packings for engines, boilers, etc.	95	128	174	211
Passengers' effects ..	266	330	499	539
Prefabricated buildings ..	11	16	26	124
Specialised equipment for large-scale projects -				
Electric power station	1	17	16	72
Oil refining ..	59	1	123	1
Other ..	180	263	221	339
Structural steelwork for use with industrial equipment	90	74	141	83
Synthetic resins ..	337	359	581	794
Synthetic sausage casings ..	24	20	42	40
Vessels (ships) ..	950	33	2,024	410
Wall and ceiling boards, parts and decorations	124	49	206	87
All other articles ..	382	397	752	705
Total Class XX:	5,250	4,615	9,503	8,152
<u>TOTAL MERCHANDISE:</u>	71,168	78,776	132,698	136,108
<u>CLASS XXI - Gold and Silver; Bronze Specie:</u>				
Gold, including gold in matte	225	77	226	284
Silver, including silver in matte	2	3	9	7
Total Class XXI:	227	80	235	291
<u>SUMMARY</u>				
<u>Importing States -</u>				
New South Wales ..	29,530	31,293	52,111	57,152
Victoria ..	26,092	29,449	49,105	48,654
Queensland ..	5,111	5,973	11,733	9,643
South Australia ..	5,584	5,494	10,892	10,079
Western Australia ..	4,423	4,796	7,354	7,476
Tasmania ..	495	1,709	1,570	3,250
Northern Territory ..	160	140	168	140
Australian Capital Territory	-	2	-	5
GRAND TOTAL:	71,395	78,856	132,933	136,399

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Particulars	August		Two months ended August	
	1955	1956	1955	1956
<u>CLASS I - Foodstuffs of Animal Origin:</u>				
Butter	1,376	2,196	2,880	3,822
Cheese	245	214	418	263
Eggs	238	265	308	325
Fish, fresh or preserved by cold process	41	59	212	218
Ghee	38	41	76	101
Honey	141	49	213	99
Infants' and invalids' foods	69	128	145	273
Meats -				
Bacon and hams	13	18	28	27
Meat extracts	106	59	153	128
Preserved by cold process -				
Beef and veal	2,925	2,014	4,864	3,634
Lamb	73	64	119	143
Mutton	99	81	179	133
Offals	274	239	483	394
Pork	38	21	71	36
Poultry	40	19	95	29
Rabbit and Hare	210	283	447	516
Preserved in airtight containers	1,669	1,205	3,445	2,437
Sausage casings (excluding synthetic casings)	103	117	237	195
Other	39	64	73	121
Milk and Cream -				
Preserved, condensed, concentrated	288	260	424	464
Dried, including malted	318	450	541	637
Other foodstuffs of animal origin	27	78	75	98
<u>TOTAL CLASS I:</u>	8,370	7,924	15,486	14,093
<u>CLASS II - Foodstuffs of Vegetable Origin and Non-alcoholic Beverages:</u>				
Biscuits, cakes and puddings	35	41	68	62
Confectionery, cocoa and chocolate	28	35	44	62
Foods for animals	53	306	100	438
Fruit juices, syrups and substitutes	35	43	72	93
Fruit -				
Dried -				
Currants	75	106	235	197
Raisins	845	323	2,110	770
Other	84	104	140	118
Fresh and frozen -				
Apples	185	67	549	236
Citrus	119	171	312	314
Other	4	2	36	6
Preserved in tins and other airtight containers	2,142	1,200	4,727	2,481
Pulped	24	5	44	17
Grain and pulse -				
Prepared -				
Breakfast foods	43	14	81	31
Flour (wheaten) -				
Plain White	1,641	1,778	3,189	3,131
Other	31	33	75	73
Rice	206	225	371	334
Other	110	187	233	344
Unprepared -				
Barley	1,306	1,483	1,573	3,372
Maize	9	-	61	-
Oats	258	443	398	716
Peas (not split)	12	22	62	41
Sorghum	11	79	30	86
Wheat	4,012	5,820	6,937	11,802
Other	124	101	240	199

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Particulars	August		Two months ended August	
	1955	1956	1955	1956
<u>CLASS II - Foodstuffs of Vegetable Origin and</u>				
<u>Non-alcoholic Beverages - (continued):</u>				
Jams and fruit jellies ..	40	40	64	70
Soups ..	6	14	38	74
Sugar (cane) ..	2,108	2,873	3,287	3,586
Tea ..	2	20	4	41
Vegetables -				
Preserved in liquid or pulped	15	10	30	17
Other ..	41	123	77	171
Other foodstuffs of vegetable origin	63	49	122	79
<u>Total Class II:</u>	13,667	15,717	25,309	28,961
<u>CLASS III - Spirituous and Alcoholic Liquors:</u>				
Ale, beer, cider, etc. ..	51	64	78	110
Spirits (beverages) ..	15	29	53	65
Wine ..	85	107	132	241
<u>Total Class III:</u>	151	200	263	416
<u>CLASS IV - Tobacco:</u>				
Cigarettes, cigars and snuff ..	48	15	95	40
Tobacco ..	18	35	48	54
<u>Total Class IV:</u>	66	50	143	94
<u>CLASS V - Live Animals:</u>				
Cattle ..	16	32	52	57
Horses ..	13	36	35	66
Sheep ..	30	51	61	96
Other live animals ..	5	6	34	15
<u>Total Class V:</u>	64	125	182	234
<u>CLASS VI - Animal Substances, not foodstuffs:</u>				
Hides and skins -				
Calf, cattle and horse ..	175	194	342	333
Kangaroo and wallaby ..	22	25	36	25
Rabbit and hare ..	273	159	473	288
Sheep and lamb ..	1,757	1,571	2,987	2,676
Other (including sheepskin and lambskin pieces) ..	43	39	70	65
Pearl-shell ..	64	166	147	252
Trochus-shell ..	58	49	142	123
Wool -				
Greasy ..	7,515	12,244	30,310	35,604
Scoured and washed, slipe, carbonized, noils, tops and waste ..	3,748	4,268	7,852	8,620
Other animal substances ..	61	121	126	187
<u>Total Class VI:</u>	13,716	18,836	42,485	48,173
<u>CLASS VII - Vegetable Substances and fibres;</u>				
<u>Cork and manufactures; and synthetic fibres:</u>				
Seeds ..	59	137	206	186
Tanning substances ..	3	153	161	225
Other vegetable substances ..	49	32	86	48
<u>Total Class VII:</u>	111	322	453	459

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Particulars	August		Two months ended August	
	1955	1956	1955	1956
CLASS VIII - Yarns and Manufactured Fibres.				
<u>Textiles and Apparel:</u>				
(a) <u>Yarns and Manufactured Fibres -</u>				
Waste materials and scrap from textile articles ..	82	82	134	145
Yarns -				
Woollen ..	6	12	8	18
Other ..	11	5	20	19
Other manufactured fibres ..	17	8	25	14
Total Class VIII (a)	116	107	187	196
(b) <u>Textiles -</u>				
Piece-goods -				
Cotton ..	6	10	11	21
Wholly or chiefly of rayon or other synthetic fibres ..	29	7	42	15
Woollen ..	2	8	6	10
Other ..	10	20	17	43
Other textiles ..	15	20	44	39
Total Class VIII (b)	62	65	120	128
(c) <u>Apparel -</u>				
Footwear ..	3	11	7	18
Outerwear ..	16	10	26	23
Shirts, underwear and sleeping attire ..	5	6	10	9
Other apparel ..	11	40	24	55
Total Class VIII (c)	35	67	67	105
Total Class VIII:	213	239	374	429
CLASS IX - Oils, Fats and Waxes:				
<u>Fats and Waxes, etc. -</u>				
Edible animal fats, excluding tallow	4	2	12	3
Fatty acids ..	22	17	36	39
Tallow - edible and inedible ..	204	289	372	552
Other ..	20	8	36	20
<u>Oils -</u>				
Petroleum and shale, including petroleum jelly -				
Residual, diesel fuel and furnace oil	10	369	372	1,214
Spirit ..	3	22	21	27
Other ..	32	51	63	93
Whale oils ..	225	570	459	570
Other ..	50	28	86	38
Total Class IX:	570	1,356	1,457	2,556
CLASS X - Pigments, Paints and Varnishes:				
Lead oxides ..	34	31	63	63
Paints and enamels prepared for use	39	44	103	90
Other pigments, paints and varnishes	16	26	40	41
Total Class X:	89	101	206	194
CLASS XI - Rocks, Minerals and Hydrocarbons:				
Asbestos, crude and fibre ..	48	53	155	178
Asphalt, tar and pitch ..	31	37	64	49
Coal ..	139	105	170	299
Coke ..	35	84	36	147
<u>Ores and concentrates, including residues and wastes -</u>				
Lead and silver lead ..	25	638	677	956
Titanium and zirconium ..	411	565	723	1,187
Tungsten ..	117	425	530	588
Zinc ..	643	348	1,181	691
Other ..	22	214	231	1,133
Other stones and minerals ..	26	23	48	51
Total Class XI:	1,497	2,492	3,815	5,279

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Particulars	August		Two months ended August	
	1955	1956	1955	1956
CLASS XII - Metals, Metal Manufactures and Machinery:				
(a) <u>Metals and Semi-manufactures -</u>				
Cadmium ..	25	27	57	45
Copper ..	17	39	1,110	333
Copper-base alloys ..	27	15	236	31
Iron and steel ..	619	763	1,082	1,310
Lead -				
Bullion and silver-lead bullion	907	1,816	1,144	2,209
Pig ..	1,325	1,382	3,222	2,728
Other ..	143	139	211	200
Zinc ..	1,051	505	1,162	677
Other ..	31	50	51	64
Metal manufactures -				
Builders' and engineering hardware	28	27	67	57
Tools of trade ..	33	20	67	53
Vehicles and parts ..	281	1,230	588	1,855
Window louvres ..	63	30	102	58
Other metal manufactures ..	238	402	504	636
Total Class XII (a):	4,788	6,445	9,603	10,256
(b) <u>Dynamo Electrical Machinery and Appliances and Equipment -</u>				
Batteries and accumulators ..	44	28	78	51
Communication equipment ..	126	99	242	143
Other electrical appliances	119	139	287	237
Total Class XII (b):	289	266	607	431
(c) <u>Machines and Machinery (except Dynamo Electrical) -</u>				
Aircraft engines and parts ..	97	18	103	37
Agricultural, horticultural, etc., machinery	84	295	186	377
Mining and metallurgical machinery and appliances ..	19	42	47	84
Motive power machinery ..	110	152	401	317
Personal massage appliances ..	40	20	94	22
Pumps, machinery ..	42	29	87	57
Refrigerating appliances ..	37	23	73	47
Other machines and machinery ..	349	415	712	737
Total Class XII (c):	778	994	1,703	1,678
Total Class XII:	5,855	7,705	11,913	12,365
CLASS XIII - Rubber and Leather and Manufactures thereof:				
(a) <u>Rubber and Rubber Manufactures</u>	69	74	145	117
(b) <u>Leather and Leather Manufactures -</u>				
Leather -				
Hide Leathers -				
Sole ..	41	33	87	82
Other ..	169	174	277	327
Sheep and Lamb ..	7	6	17	11
Other ..	9	29	19	51
Leather manufactures ..	7	8	21	14
Total Class XIII (b):	233	250	421	485
Total Class XIII:	302	324	566	602

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Particulars	August		Two months ended August	
	1955	1956	1955	1956
<u>CLASS XIV - Wood and Wicker:</u>				
Sleepers, railway ..	12	19	38	62
Timber ..	206	94	335	209
Wood and wicker manufactures ..	48	60	100	103
<u>Total Class XIV:</u>	266	173	473	374
<u>CLASS XV - Earthenware, Cement, China, Glass and Stoneware -</u>				
..	105	109	183	189
<u>CLASS XVI - Paper and Stationery:</u>				
(a) <u>Pulp, Paper and Board</u> ..	94	47	135	95
(b) <u>Paper Manufactures and Stationery:</u>				
Books (printed), periodicals, newspapers, etc.	150	170	267	273
Paper manufactures and stationery ..	59	91	126	152
<u>Total Class XVI (b):</u>	209	261	393	425
<u>Total Class XVI:</u>	303	308	528	520
<u>CLASS XVII - Sporting Material, Toys, Fancy Goods, Jewellery and Timepieces:</u>				
Precious stones, unset - pearls, etc.	18	19	35	34
Sporting goods ..	33	27	65	60
Other ..	15	16	21	37
<u>Total Class XVII:</u>	66	62	121	131
<u>CLASS XVIII - Optical, Surgical and Scientific Instruments and Appliances and Photographic Goods, n.e.i.:</u>				
Films for cinematographs, etc.	16	13	49	30
Photographic goods and materials ..	47	33	115	104
Other optical, surgical and scientific instruments and materials ..	18	44	45	71
<u>Total Class XVIII:</u>	81	90	209	205
<u>CLASS XIX - Chemicals, Medicinal and Pharmaceutical Products, Essential Oils and Fertilizers:</u>				
Casein ..	56	34	108	86
Drugs and medicinal preparations -				
Acetylsalicylic acid ..	2	20	16	42
Other ..	87	93	178	179
Eucalyptus oil ..	13	10	35	28
Perfumery and toilet preparations ..	17	22	39	47
Soap ..	24	22	46	50
Other chemicals, elements and compounds	136	88	200	164
Miscellaneous chemical preparations (including fertilizers) ..	86	70	145	114
<u>Total Class XIX:</u>	421	359	767	710

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Particulars	August		Two months ended August	
	1955	1956	1955	1956
CLASS XX - Miscellaneous:				
Arms and ammunition	27	8	64	16
Exports by the Commonwealth Government for Australian Government projects being carried on outside Australia and for Australian representatives abroad	212	215	552	384
Other goods exported with the intention that they be re-imported and temporary imports when subsequently exported. Goods exported by Australian companies for installation in or servicing their own aircraft abroad ..	354	378	648	* 601
Military, naval and air force stores and equipment ..	1,247	134	1,452	234
Synthetic resins	51	64	135	111
Miscellaneous exports when valued at less than £50 in any one consignment	364	489	778	953
Vessels (ships) transferred abroad	124	36	128	85
All other articles	440	411	928	887
Total Class XX:	2,819	1,735	4,685	3,271
TOTAL MERCHANDISE:	48,732	58,227	109,618	119,255
CLASS XXI - Gold and Silver; Bronze Specie:				
Bronze Specie	-	-	-	-
Gold, including gold in matte	2,443	2,968	4,223	3,593
Silver, including silver in matte	156	270	482	3,487
Total Class XXI:	2,599	3,238	4,705	7,080
<u>SUMMARY</u>				
States of Final Shipment -				
New South Wales	15,758	18,824	34,669	32,466
Victoria	12,313	12,979	27,880	31,219
Queensland	12,582	14,243	26,559	28,903
South Australia	6,047	6,881	15,352	16,017
Western Australia	3,333	7,300	7,744	15,631
Tasmania	1,292	1,020	2,083	1,676
Northern Territory	6	218	36	423
Australian Produce:	49,359	60,194	111,536	123,948
Re-exports:	1,972	1,271	2,787	2,387
GRAND TOTAL:	51,331	61,465	114,323	126,335

5. VALUE OF STORES SHIPPED ON OVERSEA VESSELS (a)
(£A'000)

Particulars	August		Two months ended August	
	1955	1956	1955	1956
Value of stores shipped on oversea vessels	1,051	1,246	2,213	2,296

(a) Not included in export figures throughout this Bulletin.

CUSTOMS AND EXCISE REVENUE

Particulars of the Gross Revenue collected under each Statistical Class, and of the individual items of the Excise Tariff, together with total Refunds and Drawback paid and Net Revenue, are shown in the following table for the two months ended August, 1955 and 1956.

(£'000)

Statistical Class and Excise Division		Two months ended August	
		1955	1956
<u>CUSTOMS</u>			
1. Foodstuffs of Animal Origin ..		78	42
2. Foodstuffs of Vegetable Origin ..		118	279
3. Spirituous and Alcoholic Liquors ..		421	476
4. Tobacco, Cigars, Cigarettes and Snuff ..		2,334	2,193
5. Live Animals ..		-	-
6. Animal Substances (mainly unmanufactured) Not Foodstuffs ..		5	1
7. Vegetable Substances and Fibres ..		32	38
8a. Yarns and Manufactured Fibres ..		102	78
8b. Textiles ..		1,756	1,313
8c. Apparel ..		472	374
9. Oils, Fats and Waxes ..		3,245	2,605
10. Pigments, Paints and Varnishes ..		21	33
11. Rocks, Minerals and Hydrocarbons ..		5	6
12a. Metals and Metal Manufactures ..		2,122	2,192
12b. Dynamo Electrical Machinery and Electrical Appliances, etc. ..		403	551
12c. Machines and Machinery (except Dynamo Electrical) ..		1,173	1,401
13a. Rubber and Rubber Manufactures ..		275	180
13b. Leather and Leather Manufactures ..		17	17
14. Wood and Wicker, raw and manufactured ..		330	264
15. Earthenware, Cement, China, Glass and Stoneware ..		396	333
16a. Pulp, Paper and Board ..		124	109
16b. Paper Manufactures and Stationery ..		111	88
17. Sporting Material, Toys, Jewellery and Timepieces ..		635	465
18. Optical, Surgical and Scientific Instruments, etc. ..		204	215
19. Chemicals, Medicinal and Pharmaceutical Products, etc. ..		200	198
20. Miscellaneous Goods ..		444	415
Sundry Undistributed Duties ..		50	33
Duties under Industries Preservation Act ..		3	-
Customs other Miscellaneous Receipts ..		46	71
<u>TOTAL CUSTOMS</u>		15,122	13,970
Primage ..		1,589	931
<u>TOTAL CUSTOMS AND PRIMAGE</u>		16,711	14,901
<u>EXCISE</u>			
Beer ..		11,379	14,629
Spirits ..		1,365	1,654
Tobacco ..		2,448	2,870
Cigars and Cigarettes ..		5,519	7,490
Petrol ..		2,591	6,198
Playing Cards ..		10	10
Cigarette Papers and Tubes ..		154	156
Matches ..		184	182
Coal ..		100	111
Other Excise, including Licences ..		98	85
<u>TOTAL EXCISE</u>		23,848	33,385
Total Gross Customs, Primage and Excise Revenue:		40,559	48,286
Refunds and Drawback Paid:		1,163	997
<u>TOTAL: Net Customs, Primage and Excise Revenue:</u>		39,396	47,289

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