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EXPLANATORY NOTES

Except where otherwise specified, employment figures contained in this Bulletin are based on data obtained from the 1933 Census, the Civilian Register of 1943, the Occupation Survey of 1945, Annual Censuses of Factory Production, and returns from Governmental Bodies, together with Pay-roll Tax returns. Pay-roll Tax returns at present cover approximately 77 per cent. of the total estimated number of wage and salary earners in civilian employment (excluding rural and female private domestics) and are lodged by all employers paying more than £200 a week in wages (other than certain Commonwealth Government Bodies, religious and benevolent institutions, public hospitals and other similar organisations specifically exempted under the Pay-roll Tax Assessment Act 1941-1957). This Act, when originally introduced in 1941, required employers paying wages of more than £20 a week to lodge returns. The exemption limit was raised to £80 a week from 1st October, 1953 and £120 a week from 1st September, 1954. The present exemption limit of £200 a week was introduced as from 1st September, 1957.

The terms "Employment", "Number Employed", "Employees" and "Wage Earners" used herein are synonymous with, and relate to, "Wage and salary earners" on pay-rolls or "In employment" in the latter part of each month as distinct from numbers of employees actually working on a specific date. They include persons employed part-time.

PREFACE

The figures relating to employment published in this Bulletin are estimates. From Bulletin No. 195, February, 1958, the old series of estimated employment in "factories" (Tables 7 and 8) shown in previous issues was replaced (commencing with the month of July, 1948) by a series showing actual monthly employment in factories as recorded at successive Annual Censuses of Factories to June, 1957, with interim estimates for subsequent months. Adoption of this new series entails adopting also new series for "Total Manufacturing", "Total Private Employment" and "Total Employment" for Males, Females and Persons, in all tables affected.

Call-ups for short periods of National Service Training have occurred from time to time since August, 1951, and other variations occur in numbers of personnel in the Services. These are shown in item 4 below and in Table 4 page 3 hereof.

TOTAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES AND DEFENCE FORCES : AUSTRALIA (EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and Female Private Domestic) (Thousands)

	1957		1958				
	Oct.	Nov.	July	August	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.
MALES							
1. In Private Employment	1472.2	1472.2	1468.9	1466.5	1467.9	1471.9	1478.5
In Governmental Employment -							
Commonwealth Bodies -							
Defence Group (a)	28.8	28.9	29.9	29.8	29.7	29.6	29.7
Other	137.9	138.3	140.0	139.7	140.0	140.2	140.4
State and Semi-Governmental	376.2	374.9	384.5	383.6	383.2	383.6	384.2
Local Government Bodies	66.0	65.9	67.3	67.5	67.8	68.1	68.5
2. Total Governmental	608.9	608.0	621.7	620.6	620.7	621.5	622.8
3. Grand Total in Civilian Employment	2081.1	2080.2	2090.6	2087.1	2088.6	2093.4	2101.3
4. Defence Forces (Permanent, Oversea and National Service Trainees in Camp) (b)	48.7	48.4	47.2	48.8	48.8	47.6	45.2
5. Total Civilian Employees, Defence Forces and Trainees	2129.8	2128.6	2137.8	2135.9	2137.4	2141.0	2146.5
FEMALES							
1. In Private Employment	653.1	659.7	655.5	655.7	656.6	657.9	662.5
In Governmental Employment -							
Commonwealth Bodies -							
Defence Group (a)	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2
Other	39.6	39.7	39.9	39.9	39.6	39.4	39.6
State and Semi-Governmental	80.6	80.5	84.9	84.6	85.0	85.1	85.1
Local Government Bodies	6.6	6.7	6.7	6.8	6.8	6.9	6.9
2. Total Governmental	133.0	133.1	137.7	137.5	137.6	137.6	137.8
3. Grand Total in Civilian Employment	786.1	792.8	793.2	793.2	794.2	795.5	800.3
4. Defence Forces (Permanent and Oversea)	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.9	1.9
5. Total Civilian Employees and Defence Forces	787.9	794.6	795.0	795.0	796.0	797.4	802.2
PERSONS							
1. In Private Employment	2125.3	2131.9	2124.4	2122.2	2124.5	2129.8	2141.0
In Governmental Employment -							
Commonwealth Bodies -							
Defence Group (a)	35.0	35.1	36.1	36.0	35.9	35.8	35.9
Other	177.5	178.0	179.9	179.6	179.6	179.6	180.0
State and Semi-Governmental	456.8	455.4	469.4	468.2	468.2	468.7	469.3
Local Government Bodies	72.6	72.6	74.0	74.3	74.6	75.0	75.4
2. Total Governmental	741.9	741.1	759.4	758.1	758.3	759.1	760.6
3. Grand Total in Civilian Employment	2867.2	2873.0	2883.8	2880.3	2882.8	2888.9	2901.6
4. Defence Forces (Permanent, Oversea and National Service Trainees in Camp) (b)	50.5	50.2	49.0	50.6	50.6	49.5	47.1
5. Total Civilian Employees, Defence Forces and Trainees	2917.7	2923.2	2932.8	2930.9	2933.4	2938.4	2948.7

(a) Comprises employees of the Departments of Air, Army, Navy, Defence and Supply.

(b) Excludes rural workers and students in camp undergoing National Service Training.

I. GENERAL SUMMARY

TABLE 1 : TOTAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES : AUSTRALIA

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and Female Private Domestic)

(Thousands)

Month	Males			Females			Persons		
	1956-57	1957-58	1958-59	1956-57	1957-58	1958-59	1956-57	1957-58	1958-59
July	2,078.0	2,080.5	2,090.6	772.3	779.7	793.2	2,850.3	2,860.2	2,883.8
August	2,076.8	2,076.4	2,087.1	771.4	780.1	793.2	2,848.2	2,856.5	2,880.3
September	2,075.9	2,080.1	2,088.6	773.5	782.5	794.2	2,849.4	2,862.6	2,882.8
October	2,076.1	2,081.1	2,093.4	777.9	786.1	795.5	2,854.0	2,867.2	2,888.9
November	2,085.6	2,080.2	2,101.3	783.7	792.8	800.3	2,869.3	2,873.0	2,901.6
December	2,080.2	2,079.4		781.7	791.6		2,861.9	2,871.0	
January	2,076.5	2,084.3		776.4	789.4		2,852.9	2,873.7	
February	2,085.8	2,088.4		785.0	797.3		2,870.8	2,885.7	
March	2,087.8	2,092.2		787.3	800.1		2,875.1	2,892.3	
April	2,079.6	2,092.9		782.6	796.2		2,862.2	2,889.1	
May	2,084.9	2,093.9		782.4	794.8		2,867.3	2,888.7	
June	2,084.7	2,093.9		780.2	792.6		2,864.9	2,886.5	

TABLE 2 - DEFENCE FORCES : AUSTRALIA

(Permanent and Oversea Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in Camp (a))

(Thousands)

Month	Males			Females			Persons		
	1956-57	1957-58	1958-59	1956-57	1957-58	1958-59	1956-57	1957-58	1958-59
July	59.6	49.3	47.2	2.0	1.8	1.8	61.6	51.1	49.0
August	59.6	49.1	48.8	1.9	1.8	1.8	61.5	50.9	50.6
September	58.8	45.4	48.8	1.9	1.8	1.8	60.7	47.2	50.6
October	58.0	48.7	47.6	1.9	1.8	1.9	59.9	50.5	49.5
November	50.3	48.4	45.2	1.9	1.8	1.9	52.2	50.2	47.1
December	47.5	44.5		1.9	1.8		49.4	46.3	
January	57.2	48.8		1.9	1.8		59.1	50.6	
February	57.7	48.8		1.8	1.8		59.5	50.6	
March	55.1	46.0		1.8	1.8		56.9	47.8	
April	48.0	44.6		1.9	1.8		49.9	46.4	
May	46.8	48.3		1.9	1.8		48.7	50.1	
June	46.0	48.3		1.9	1.8		47.9	50.1	

(a) Rural workers and students in camp undergoing National Service Training are excluded.

TABLE 3 - TOTAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES, DEFENCE FORCES AND TRAINEES : AUSTRALIA

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and Female Private Domestic)

(Thousands)

Month	Males			Females			Persons		
	1956-57	1957-58	1958-59	1956-57	1957-58	1958-59	1956-57	1957-58	1958-59
July	2,137.6	2,129.8	2,137.8	774.3	781.5	795.0	2,911.9	2,911.3	2,932.8
August	2,136.4	2,125.5	2,135.9	773.3	781.9	795.0	2,909.7	2,907.4	2,930.9
September	2,134.7	2,125.5	2,137.4	775.4	784.3	796.0	2,910.1	2,909.8	2,933.4
October	2,134.1	2,129.8	2,141.0	779.8	787.9	797.4	2,913.9	2,917.7	2,938.4
November	2,135.9	2,128.6	2,146.5	785.6	794.6	802.2	2,921.5	2,923.2	2,948.7
December	2,127.7	2,123.9		783.6	793.4		2,911.3	2,917.3	
January	2,133.7	2,133.1		778.3	791.2		2,912.0	2,924.3	
February	2,143.5	2,137.2		786.8	799.1		2,930.3	2,936.3	
March	2,142.9	2,138.2		789.1	801.9		2,932.0	2,940.1	
April	2,127.6	2,137.5		784.5	798.0		2,912.1	2,935.5	
May	2,131.7	2,142.2		784.3	796.6		2,916.0	2,938.8	
June	2,130.7	2,142.2		782.1	794.4		2,912.8	2,936.6	

TABLE 4 - TOTAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES AND DEFENCE FORCES : AUSTRALIA
 (EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and Female Private Domestic)
 (Thousands)

Month	Civilian Employees (excluding Rural Industry and Female Private Domestic)									Defence Forces (b)
	Males			Females			Persons			
	Governmental Bodies (a)	Private Employment	Total	Governmental Bodies (a)	Private Employment	Total	Governmental Bodies (a)	Private Employment	Total	
1939 July	349.8	943.3	1293.1	55.2	381.9	437.1	405.0	1325.2	1730.2	12.9
1942 June	420.9	888.6	1309.5	100.8	502.8	603.6	521.7	1391.4	1913.1	634.0
1943 June	413.3	859.9	1273.2	135.9	504.8	640.7	549.2	1364.7	1913.9	729.0
1944 June	404.5	871.1	1275.6	134.0	497.5	631.5	538.5	1368.6	1907.1	704.4
1945 June	400.2	896.1	1296.3	124.8	494.6	619.4	525.0	1390.7	1915.7	648.9
1946 June	435.0	1071.5	1506.5	94.0	502.0	596.0	529.0	1573.5	2102.5	143.4
1947 June	472.0	1177.4	1649.4	92.1	527.5	619.6	564.1	1704.9	2269.0	54.0
1948 June	494.0	1236.9	1730.9	94.9	549.1	644.0	588.9	1786.0	2374.9	39.3
1949 May (c)	518.9	1277.0	1795.9	99.2	568.0	667.2	618.1	1845.0	2463.1	33.6
1950 June	554.3	1323.1	1877.4	107.7	587.9	695.6	662.0	1911.0	2573.0	33.7
1951 June	571.2	1370.1	1941.3	113.9	614.8	728.7	685.1	1984.9	2670.0	44.3
1952 June (d)	578.4	1362.9	1941.3	115.3	572.1	687.4	693.7	1935.0	2628.7	69.4
1953 June	567.8	1354.2	1922.0	112.0	570.3	682.3	679.8	1924.5	2604.3	67.4
1954 June	581.4	1408.9	1990.3	114.5	605.2	719.7	695.9	2014.1	2710.0	62.1
1955 June	599.1	1450.4	2049.5	122.8	628.9	751.7	721.9	2079.3	2801.2	59.8
1956 June	604.9	1476.8	2081.7	129.8	643.3	773.1	734.7	2120.1	2854.8	59.3
1957 June	609.5	1475.2	2084.7	132.8	647.4	780.2	742.3	2122.6	2864.9	47.9
1958 June	621.8	1472.1	2093.9	136.6	656.0	792.6	758.4	2128.1	2886.5	50.1
1956 October	601.6	1474.5	2076.1	129.3	648.6	777.9	730.9	2123.1	2854.0	59.9
November	602.6	1483.0	2085.6	129.6	654.1	783.7	732.2	2137.1	2869.3	52.2
December	602.5	1477.7	2080.2	128.4	653.3	781.7	730.9	2131.0	2861.9	49.4
1957 January	602.1	1474.4	2076.5	128.1	648.3	776.4	730.2	2122.7	2852.9	59.1
February	605.0	1480.8	2085.8	131.2	653.8	785.0	736.2	2134.6	2870.8	59.5
March	605.2	1482.6	2087.8	131.4	655.9	787.3	736.6	2138.5	2875.1	56.9
April	606.9	1472.7	2079.6	132.4	650.2	782.6	739.3	2122.9	2862.2	49.9
May	609.2	1475.7	2084.9	132.6	649.8	782.4	741.8	2125.5	2867.3	48.7
June	609.5	1475.2	2084.7	132.8	647.4	780.2	742.3	2122.6	2864.9	47.9
July	609.6	1470.9	2080.5	133.7	646.0	779.7	743.3	2116.9	2860.2	51.1
August	608.1	1468.3	2076.4	133.6	646.5	780.1	741.7	2114.8	2856.5	50.9
September	607.9	1472.2	2080.1	133.2	649.3	782.5	741.1	2121.5	2862.6	47.2
October	608.9	1472.2	2081.1	133.0	653.1	786.1	741.9	2125.3	2867.2	50.5
November	608.0	1472.2	2080.2	133.1	659.7	792.8	741.1	2131.9	2873.0	50.2
December	609.0	1470.4	2079.4	132.1	659.5	791.6	741.1	2129.9	2871.0	46.3
1958 January	611.9	1472.4	2084.3	132.7	656.7	789.4	744.6	2129.1	2873.7	50.6
February	614.5	1473.9	2088.4	136.3	661.0	797.3	750.8	2134.9	2885.7	50.6
March	616.4	1475.8	2092.2	136.7	663.4	800.1	753.1	2139.2	2892.3	47.8
April	618.8	1474.1	2092.9	136.4	659.8	796.2	755.2	2133.9	2889.1	46.4
May	620.8	1473.1	2093.9	136.3	658.5	794.8	757.1	2131.6	2888.7	50.1
June	621.8	1472.1	2093.9	136.6	656.0	792.6	758.4	2128.1	2886.5	50.1
July	621.7	1468.9	2090.6	137.7	655.5	793.2	759.4	2124.4	2883.8	49.0
August	620.6	1466.5	2087.1	137.5	655.7	793.2	758.1	2122.2	2880.3	50.6
September	620.7	1467.9	2088.6	137.6	656.6	794.2	758.3	2124.5	2882.8	50.6
October	621.5	1471.9	2093.4	137.6	657.9	795.5	759.1	2129.8	2888.9	49.5
November	622.8	1478.5	2101.3	137.8	662.5	800.3	760.6	2141.0	2901.6	47.1

(a) Includes all employees of Governmental Bodies (Commonwealth, State, Local and Semi-Governmental) on services such as railways, tramways, banks, post office, air transport, education, broadcasting, police, public works, factories and munitions establishments, migrant hostels, etc., as well as administrative employees, within Australia.

(b) Includes members of Permanent and Oversea Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in camp. Non-enlisted personnel are included to June, 1956. Rural workers and students in camp undergoing National Service Training are excluded. (c) Figures for May, 1949 have been used for purposes of annual comparison because of the effects of the coal dispute in June, 1949. (d) See Preface on page 1 hereof as to effects of fluctuations in numbers of Defence Forces and Trainees since August, 1951.

TABLE 5 - WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT

STATES AND TERRITORIES

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and Female Private Domestic)

(Personnel in Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in Camp are also excluded)
(Thousands)

State or Territory	June, 1954	June, 1955	June, 1956	June, 1957	June, 1958	Oct., 1957	Nov., 1957	Oct., 1958	Nov., 1958
MALES									
New South Wales	771.3	794.2	808.5	810.1	812.4	810.4	810.3	811.8	815.3
Victoria	556.8	576.2	583.2	585.8	592.6	586.7	587.6	592.1	594.9
Queensland	269.6	278.2	282.4	283.6	282.3	279.6	277.6	282.6	283.7
South Australia	176.8	180.8	187.9	186.4	186.2	185.4	185.2	186.6	187.0
Western Australia	139.1	141.5	140.5	138.4	138.6	138.7	139.2	139.2	139.0
Tasmania	63.6	65.1	65.7	66.0	66.7	65.5	65.5	65.8	65.9
Northern Territory	4.9	4.8	5.0	5.5	5.4	5.5	5.4	5.5	5.6
Aust. Cap. Terr.	8.2	8.7	8.5	8.9	9.7	9.3	9.4	9.8	9.9
Australia:	1990.3	2049.5	2081.7	2084.7	2093.9	2081.1	2080.2	2093.4	2101.3
FEMALES									
New South Wales	284.3	297.4	305.9	309.3	315.2	314.2	317.9	316.4	318.6
Victoria	222.1	232.3	238.5	240.8	243.7	241.0	243.0	244.8	246.2
Queensland	88.6	92.1	93.7	96.0	96.1	96.2	96.1	96.8	97.1
South Australia	56.6	59.8	62.5	62.3	63.6	62.7	63.3	64.0	64.4
Western Australia	43.4	44.3	45.1	44.5	45.8	45.3	45.8	46.4	46.7
Tasmania	21.2	21.9	23.2	22.9	23.6	22.2	22.2	22.3	22.6
Northern Territory	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.4	1.3
Aust. Cap. Terr.	2.6	2.9	3.1	3.2	3.4	3.3	3.3	3.4	3.4
Australia:	719.7	751.7	773.1	780.2	792.6	786.1	792.8	795.5	800.3
PERSONS									
New South Wales	1055.6	1091.6	1114.4	1119.4	1127.6	1124.6	1128.2	1128.2	1133.9
Victoria	778.9	808.5	821.7	826.6	836.3	827.7	830.6	836.9	841.1
Queensland	358.2	370.3	376.1	379.6	378.4	375.8	373.7	379.4	380.8
South Australia	233.4	240.6	250.4	248.7	249.8	248.1	248.5	250.6	251.4
Western Australia	182.5	185.8	185.6	182.9	184.4	184.0	185.0	185.6	185.7
Tasmania	84.8	87.0	88.9	88.9	90.3	87.7	87.7	88.1	88.5
Northern Territory	5.8	5.8	6.1	6.7	6.6	6.7	6.6	6.9	6.9
Aust. Cap. Terr.	10.8	11.6	11.6	12.1	13.1	12.6	12.7	13.2	13.3
Australia:	2710.0	2801.2	2854.8	2864.9	2886.5	2867.2	2873.0	2888.9	2901.6

TABLE 6 - CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES OF GOVERNMENTAL BODIES, NOVEMBER, 1958

STATES AND TERRITORIES

(Thousands)

State or Territory	Commonwealth (a)						State and Semi-Govt. (a)		Local Govt. (a)		Total Governmental (a)		
	Defence Group		Other		Total								
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	P
New South Wales	9.5	1.1	48.9	14.2	58.4	15.3	134.8	28.2	27.3	3.0	220.5	46.5	267.0
Victoria	14.5	4.0	37.3	11.1	51.8	15.1	100.6	26.4	13.6	2.0	166.0	43.5	209.5
Queensland	1.1	0.2	17.2	4.6	18.3	4.8	54.9	8.3	18.3	1.0	91.5	14.1	105.6
South Australia	3.7	0.7	13.3	3.0	17.0	3.7	39.3	10.7	3.3	0.3	59.6	14.7	74.3
Western Australia	0.6	0.1	8.8	2.2	9.4	2.3	39.9	7.3	3.6	0.4	52.9	10.0	62.9
Tasmania	0.1	0.1	4.7	1.2	4.8	1.3	14.7	4.2	2.3	0.2	21.8	5.7	27.5
Northern Territory	0.1	-	2.8	0.7	2.9	0.7	-	-	0.1	-	3.0	0.7	3.7
Aust. Cap. Terr.	0.1	-	7.4	2.6	7.5	2.6	-	-	-	-	7.5	2.6	10.1
Total : November, 1958	29.7	6.2	140.4	39.6	170.1	45.8	384.2	85.1	68.5	6.9	622.8	137.8	760.6
Total : October, 1958	29.6	6.2	140.2	39.4	169.8	45.6	383.6	85.1	68.1	6.9	621.5	137.6	759.1

(a) See note (a) to Table 4 on previous page.

II. EMPLOYMENT IN INDUSTRIAL GROUPS

TABLE 7 - WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT : INDUSTRIAL GROUPS

STATES - NOVEMBER, 1958

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and Female Private Domestic)

(Personnel in Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in Camp are also excluded)

(Thousands)

Industrial Group	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (£)
MALES							
Forestry, Fishing and Trapping	8.0	5.3	5.5	1.8	2.3	2.1	25.2
Mining and Quarrying	24.5	4.6	9.1	1.6	7.5	2.7	50.6
Manufacturing, etc. - Factories (a)	324.7	249.6	82.9	73.6	38.7	21.3	790.8
Other (b)	28.3	19.4	10.8	2.8	2.6	0.9	66.1
Total Manufacturing:	353.0	269.0	93.7	76.4	41.3	22.2	856.9
Building and Construction (including repairs, etc.)	68.0	49.9	36.2	19.1	14.6	9.1	200.7
Road Transport	36.7	22.2	14.7	7.1	4.7	2.5	88.3
Shipping and Stevedoring	15.9	10.7	8.6	5.5	5.4	2.3	48.6
Rail and Air Transport	37.2	22.4	21.5	9.4	10.4	2.5	103.8
Communication	27.0	19.3	9.8	6.3	4.7	2.2	69.8
Property and Finance (incl. Banks, etc.)	26.2	20.0	8.6	5.6	4.1	1.6	66.1
Retail Trade	53.8	39.6	15.8	12.5	10.0	3.5	135.6
Wholesale and Other Commerce	52.1	45.0	22.4	15.4	13.9	4.5	153.7
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.	38.2	29.4	11.9	8.5	7.6	3.8	104.4
Other Industries (g)	74.7	57.5	25.9	17.8	12.5	6.9	197.6
TOTAL MALES:	815.3	594.9	283.7	187.0	139.0	65.9	2101.3
FEMALES							
Manufacturing, etc. - Factories (a)	106.2	94.0	17.0	15.9	6.4	4.5	244.0
Other (b)	1.2	2.4	2.9	0.1	0.9	..	7.7
Total Manufacturing:	107.4	96.4	19.9	16.0	7.3	4.5	251.7
Rail and Air Transport	3.7	2.0	1.2	0.7	0.4	0.1	8.1
Other Transport (incl. Shipping, etc.)	4.5	3.8	1.9	1.0	0.5	0.3	12.2
Communication	7.4	5.6	2.8	1.9	1.0	1.0	19.7
Property and Finance (incl. Banks, etc.)	20.3	13.0	5.0	3.6	2.4	1.0	45.4
Retail Trade	48.8	36.0	17.2	12.9	11.1	4.1	130.5
Wholesale and Other Commerce	18.2	13.2	7.1	4.0	3.3	1.0	47.0
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.	11.3	7.7	4.5	1.8	2.1	1.1	30.2
Other Industries (g)	97.0	68.5	37.5	22.5	18.6	9.5	255.5
TOTAL FEMALES:	318.6	246.2	97.1	64.4	46.7	22.6	800.3
PERSONS							
Forestry, Fishing and Trapping	8.1	5.4	5.5	1.8	2.3	2.1	25.4
Mining and Quarrying	24.8	4.7	9.4	1.7	7.7	2.8	51.7
Manufacturing, etc. - Factories (a)	430.9	343.6	99.9	89.5	45.1	25.8	1034.8
Other (b)	29.5	21.8	13.7	2.9	3.5	0.9	73.8
Total Manufacturing:	460.4	365.4	113.6	92.4	48.6	26.7	1108.6
Building and Construction (including repairs, etc.)	70.4	51.4	36.9	19.6	14.9	9.2	206.2
Road Transport	40.1	25.4	16.3	7.9	5.0	2.7	97.9
Shipping and Stevedoring	17.0	11.3	8.9	5.7	5.6	2.4	51.2
Rail and Air Transport	40.9	24.4	22.7	10.1	10.8	2.6	111.9
Communication	34.4	24.9	12.6	8.2	5.7	3.2	89.5
Property and Finance (incl. Banks, etc.)	46.5	33.0	13.6	9.2	6.5	2.6	111.5
Retail Trade	102.6	75.6	33.0	25.4	21.1	7.6	266.1
Wholesale and Other Commerce	70.3	58.2	29.5	19.4	17.2	5.5	200.7
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.	49.5	37.1	16.4	10.3	9.7	4.9	134.6
Other Industries (g)	168.9	124.3	62.4	39.7	30.6	16.2	446.3
TOTAL PERSONS:	1133.9	841.1	380.8	251.4	185.7	88.5	2901.6

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TABLE 8 - WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT : INDUSTRIAL GROUPS

AUSTRALIA

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and Female Private Domestic)
 (Personnel in Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in Camp are also excluded)
 (Thousands)

Industrial Group	Oct., 1957	Nov., 1957	August, 1958	Sept., 1958	Oct., 1958	Nov., 1958
MALES						
<u>Forestry, Fishing and Trapping</u>	25.2	25.3	25.6	25.4	25.2	25.2
<u>Mining and Quarrying -</u>						
Gold	7.1	7.1	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.9
Silver, Lead, Zinc	9.8	9.7	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.2
Coal	24.4	24.5	23.6	23.0	23.0	22.8
Other (including Quarries)	13.0	12.6	11.7	11.7	11.7	11.7
<u>Total Mining and Quarrying</u>	54.3	53.9	51.5	50.9	50.9	50.6
<u>Manufacturing, etc. -</u>						
Factories (a)	782.6	782.8	785.6	786.4	788.7	790.8
Other (b)	64.6	64.5	65.7	65.7	66.0	66.1
<u>Total Manufacturing</u>	847.2	847.3	851.3	852.1	854.7	856.9
<u>Building and Construction (including repairs, etc.) -</u>						
Building (Privately employed) (c)	89.0	86.6	82.6	82.0	82.4	82.5
Other (d)	113.1	112.8	117.3	117.2	118.1	118.2
<u>Total Building and Construction</u>	202.1	199.4	199.9	199.2	200.5	200.7
<u>Transport and Communication -</u>						
Road Transport	85.9	86.0	87.7	87.7	87.9	88.3
Shipping and Stevedoring	48.9	47.6	48.8	48.8	48.6	48.6
Rail and Air Transport	105.8	104.8	104.4	104.0	103.8	103.8
Communication	68.6	68.9	69.5	69.6	69.6	69.8
<u>Total Transport and Communication</u>	309.2	307.3	310.4	310.1	309.9	310.5
<u>Property and Finance, (including Banks and Insurance)</u>	63.9	63.9	66.2	66.4	66.2	66.1
<u>Commerce -</u>						
Wholesale Trade	125.5	125.9	126.0	126.0	126.2	126.8
Primary Produce Agencies	26.9	26.8	24.0	25.0	25.5	26.9
Retail Trade	130.8	134.0	132.0	132.6	133.0	135.6
<u>Total Commerce</u>	283.2	286.7	282.0	283.6	284.7	289.3
<u>Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.</u>	102.1	102.4	104.1	104.3	104.3	104.4
<u>Other -</u>						
Law and Order	22.3	22.4	22.9	23.0	23.1	23.2
Religion and Social Welfare	11.4	11.4	11.4	11.4	11.4	11.4
Health Services	27.4	27.3	27.5	27.6	27.7	27.8
Education	43.1	43.1	45.2	45.3	45.4	45.4
Other Professional	14.8	14.7	15.0	14.9	14.8	14.7
Entertainment, Sport	19.6	19.5	19.3	19.5	19.4	19.4
Personal Service (e)	55.3	55.6	54.8	54.9	55.2	55.7
<u>Total Other</u>	193.9	194.0	196.1	196.6	197.0	197.6
TOTAL:	2081.1	2080.2	2087.1	2088.6	2093.4	2101.3
FEMALES						
<u>Forestry, Fishing and Trapping</u>	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
<u>Mining and Quarrying</u>	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1
<u>Manufacturing, etc. -</u>						
Factories (a)	245.3	245.6	243.8	244.1	243.9	244.0
Other (b)	7.5	7.4	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.7
<u>Total Manufacturing</u>	252.8	253.0	251.4	251.7	251.5	251.7
<u>Building and Construction (including repairs, etc.)</u>	5.3	5.3	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5
<u>Transport and Communication -</u>						
Road Transport	9.2	9.2	9.6	9.6	9.5	9.6
Shipping and Stevedoring	2.5	2.5	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.6
Rail and Air Transport	8.3	8.3	8.1	8.2	8.1	8.1
Communication	19.9	20.2	19.6	19.5	19.6	19.7
<u>Total Transport and Communication:</u>	39.9	40.2	39.9	39.9	39.8	40.0

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TABLE 8 - WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT : INDUSTRIAL GROUPS
AUSTRALIA (Continued)
 (Thousands)

Industrial Group	Oct., 1957	Nov., 1957	August, 1958	Sept., 1958	Oct., 1958	Nov., 1958
FEMALES (Continued)						
Property and Finance (including Banks and Insurance)	43.3	43.4	45.5	45.4	45.4	45.4
Commerce -						
Wholesale Trade	40.8	40.8	40.7	40.8	40.8	41.0
Primary Produce Agencies	6.2	6.2	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0
Retail Trade	123.9	129.9	124.7	125.2	126.2	130.5
Total Commerce	170.9	176.9	171.4	172.0	173.0	177.5
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.	29.5	29.6	30.4	30.2	30.1	30.2
Other -						
Law and Order	10.2	10.3	10.7	10.8	10.8	10.8
Religion and Social Welfare	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0
Health Services	80.3	80.2	82.9	83.2	83.5	83.4
Education	53.7	53.6	56.6	56.6	56.8	56.7
Other Professional	10.5	10.4	10.6	10.7	10.7	10.8
Entertainment, Sport	9.4	9.4	9.3	9.2	9.1	9.1
Personal Service (e)	69.9	70.1	68.7	68.7	69.0	68.9
Total Other	243.0	243.0	247.8	248.2	248.9	248.7
TOTAL:	786.1	792.8	793.2	794.2	795.5	800.3
PERSONS						
Forestry, Fishing and Trapping	25.4	25.5	25.8	25.6	25.4	25.4
Mining and Quarrying -						
Gold	7.3	7.3	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.1
Silver, Lead, Zinc	10.1	10.0	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.4
Coal	24.6	24.7	23.8	23.2	23.2	23.0
Other (including Quarries)	13.5	13.1	12.2	12.2	12.2	12.2
Total Mining and Quarrying	55.5	55.1	52.6	52.0	52.0	51.7
Manufacturing, etc. -						
Factories (a)	1027.9	1028.4	1029.4	1030.5	1032.6	1034.8
Other (b)	72.1	71.9	73.3	73.3	73.6	73.8
Total Manufacturing	1100.0	1100.3	1102.7	1103.8	1106.2	1108.6
Building and Construction (including repairs, etc.) -						
Building (Privately employed) (c)	91.9	89.5	85.5	84.9	85.3	85.4
Other (d)	115.5	115.2	119.9	119.8	120.7	120.8
Total Building and Construction	207.4	204.7	205.4	204.7	206.0	206.2
Transport and Communication -						
Road Transport	95.1	95.2	97.3	97.3	97.4	97.9
Shipping and Stevedoring	51.4	50.1	51.4	51.4	51.2	51.2
Rail and Air Transport	114.1	113.1	112.5	112.2	111.9	111.9
Communication	88.5	89.1	89.1	89.1	89.2	89.5
Total Transport and Communication	349.1	347.5	350.3	350.0	349.7	350.5
Property and Finance (including Banks and Insurance)	107.2	107.3	111.7	111.8	111.6	111.5
Commerce -						
Wholesale Trade	166.3	166.7	166.7	166.8	167.0	167.8
Primary Produce Agencies	33.1	33.0	30.0	31.0	31.5	32.9
Retail Trade	254.7	263.9	256.7	257.8	259.2	266.1
Total Commerce	454.1	463.6	453.4	455.6	457.7	466.8
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.	131.6	132.0	134.5	134.5	134.4	134.6
Other -						
Law and Order	32.5	32.7	33.6	33.8	33.9	34.0
Religion and Social Welfare	20.4	20.4	20.4	20.4	20.4	20.4
Health Services	107.7	107.5	110.4	110.8	111.2	111.2
Education	96.8	96.7	101.8	101.9	102.2	102.1
Other Professional	25.3	25.1	25.6	25.6	25.5	25.5
Entertainment, Sport	29.0	28.9	28.6	28.7	28.5	28.5
Personal Service (e)	125.2	125.7	123.5	123.6	124.2	124.6
Total Other	436.9	437.0	443.9	444.8	445.9	446.3
TOTAL:	2867.2	2873.0	2880.3	2882.8	2888.9	2901.6

For notes see page 8.

NOTES TO TABLES 7 AND 8

- (a) Refers to estimated employment in factories as defined for the purpose of the annual production census, results of which are published in the annual bulletin, Secondary Industries. In this connexion, a factory is defined as an industrial establishment in which four or more persons are employed, or in which power, other than manual, is used. The employees covered are those engaged in manufacturing activities and exclude those engaged in selling and distribution, etc. The estimates of the number of employees in factories since June, 1948 shown in previous issues of this Bulletin were replaced, as from Bulletin No. 195, February, 1958, by the series of statistics referred to in the Preface (page 1). The figures now shown represent the actual monthly employment in factories as recorded at successive annual Censuses of Factories to June, 1957, with interim estimates for subsequent months.
- (b) Includes employees in industrial establishments outside the scope of the definition of a factory (given in (a) above) and persons employed by factory proprietors but engaged in selling and distribution, etc., who are excluded from figures shown opposite "Factories".
- (c) Includes persons employed on private building, and employees of private employers contracting to public bodies, on building construction, alterations, maintenance and repairs.
- (d) Includes employees on construction of roads, bridges, earthworks, etc., and employees directly employed by public bodies on building and maintenance of buildings.
- (e) Includes Hotels, Restaurants, Hairdressing and Other Personal Services (except female private domestics).
- (f) Includes the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory.
- (g) Includes Law and Order, Religion and Social Welfare, Health, Education, Other Professional Services, Entertainment, etc., and Personal Service (Hotels, Restaurants, etc., excluding female private domestics). In respect of females only, also includes Forestry, Fishing, etc., Mining, Building and Construction.

III. EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES

By joint arrangement between the Secretary of the Department of Labour and National Service and the Commonwealth Statistician, a regular monthly survey of employment in the larger privately-owned factories of New South Wales and Victoria was instituted in January, 1952. Practically all private factories with 100 or more employees and a large section of those with between 50 and 100 employees were surveyed.

The instruction as to employees to be included in the returns was as follows:- "The number of persons employed is to include all persons on the establishment of the factory who are engaged in the factory or on the factory office staff, providing their employment is directly related to manufacture", and further ".... the number of males and females (separately) employed in the specified factory or mill. These figures are to include factory office staff, but are to exclude selling and distribution staff". The figures obtained relate to the numbers on the pay-roll as at the last pay-day in the month.

The survey was instituted to provide an earlier indication of trend of private factory employment, month by month, than is available from any other source, and in fact the trends shown in employment in these larger private factories are broadly consonant with those shown in estimates of total private factory employment, derived from Pay-roll Tax Returns, for the periods for which comparisons are available.

Employment in food-processing factories is subject to considerable seasonal variation. In view of this circumstance, the movements in "all factories excluding food factories" are given equal prominence in the tables with those in "all factories surveyed".

The survey was extended to cover all States with effect from January, 1953. In Bulletins up to and including No. 152, totals were given for the original two States, for the three remaining mainland States and for the five mainland States together. The figures now shown in Tables 9 to 12 relate to all six States.

An industrial analysis, showing movements in each of eight broad groups, is given in Table 13. In continuation of the earlier practice, this table is confined to the five mainland States. At the present stage, figures for Tasmania cannot be incorporated into this table in the same detail because of the risk of disclosure of individual factory particulars.

TABLE 9 - EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES

SIX STATES

Period (End of Month)	Employment in all Factories surveyed			Percentage movement since previous month		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
1957 : November	383,114	118,470	501,584	-	+ 0.3	-
December	382,214	118,937	501,151	- 0.2	+ 0.4	- 0.1
1958 : January	384,981	120,844	505,825	+ 0.7	+ 1.6	+ 0.9
February	387,000	122,948	509,948	+ 0.5	+ 1.7	+ 0.8
March	388,029	123,496	511,525	+ 0.3	+ 0.4	+ 0.3
April	386,509	119,942	506,451	- 0.4	- 2.9	- 1.0
May	387,088	118,726	505,814	+ 0.1	- 1.0	- 0.1
June	387,943	117,997	505,940	+ 0.2	- 0.6	-
July	386,894	117,330	504,224	- 0.3	- 0.6	- 0.3
August	385,647	116,749	502,396	- 0.3	- 0.5	- 0.4
September	385,583	116,235	501,818	-	- 0.4	- 0.1
October	386,600	116,135	502,735	+ 0.3	- 0.1	+ 0.2
November	387,104	116,262	503,366	+ 0.1	+ 0.1	+ 0.1
December	384,715	116,116	500,831	- 0.6	- 0.1	- 0.5

TABLE 10 - EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES

STATES

State	Employment in all Factories surveyed				Percentage movement in employment	
	1957		1958		Oct., '58-	Nov., '58-
	November	December	October	December	Nov., '58	Dec., '58

MALES

New South Wales	154,720	155,126	155,524	155,477	155,773	-	+ 0.2
Victoria	119,857	119,943	119,862	120,669	121,058	+ 0.7	+ 0.3
Queensland	37,601	35,603	40,979	40,362	36,874	- 1.5	- 8.6
South Australia	39,585	39,782	39,595	39,689	39,684	+ 0.2	-
Western Australia	18,088	18,074	17,239	17,434	17,559	+ 1.1	+ 0.7
Tasmania	13,263	13,686	13,401	13,473	13,767	+ 0.5	+ 2.2
TOTAL:	383,114	382,214	386,600	387,104	384,715	+ 0.1	- 0.6

FEMALES

New South Wales	47,361	47,355	46,309	46,218	45,977	- 0.2	- 0.5
Victoria	46,566	46,325	45,524	45,554	45,639	+ 0.1	+ 0.2
Queensland	8,446	8,310	8,457	8,586	8,410	+ 1.5	- 2.0
South Australia	8,849	9,402	8,851	8,734	8,639	- 1.3	- 1.1
Western Australia	3,513	3,539	3,512	3,581	3,565	+ 2.0	- 0.4
Tasmania	3,735	4,006	3,482	3,589	3,886	+ 3.1	+ 8.3
TOTAL:	118,470	118,937	116,135	116,262	116,116	+ 0.1	- 0.1

PERSONS

New South Wales	202,081	202,481	201,833	201,695	201,750	- 0.1	-
Victoria	166,423	166,268	165,386	166,223	166,697	+ 0.5	+ 0.3
Queensland	46,047	43,913	49,436	48,948	45,284	- 1.0	- 7.5
South Australia	48,434	49,184	48,446	48,423	48,323	-	- 0.2
Western Australia	21,601	21,613	20,751	21,015	21,124	+ 1.3	+ 0.5
Tasmania	16,998	17,692	16,883	17,062	17,653	+ 1.1	+ 3.5
TOTAL:	501,584	501,151	502,735	503,366	500,831	+ 0.1	- 0.5

TABLE 11 - EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES, EXCLUDING FOOD FACTORIES

SIX STATES

Period (End of Month)	Employment in all Factories surveyed, except Food Factories			Percentage movement since previous month		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
1957 : November	332,314	102,826	435,140	+ 0.4	+ 0.3	+ 0.3
December	332,694	102,222	434,916	+ 0.1	- 0.6	- 0.1
1958 : January	334,776	101,892	436,668	+ 0.6	- 0.3	+ 0.4
February	335,787	102,759	438,546	+ 0.3	+ 0.9	+ 0.4
March	336,731	103,294	440,025	+ 0.3	+ 0.5	+ 0.3
April	336,478	103,292	439,770	- 0.1	-	- 0.1
May	335,905	102,742	438,647	- 0.2	- 0.5	- 0.3
June	335,222	102,152	437,374	- 0.2	- 0.6	- 0.3
July	333,407	101,738	435,145	- 0.5	- 0.4	- 0.5
August	332,292	101,561	433,853	- 0.3	- 0.2	- 0.3
September	331,914	101,346	433,260	- 0.1	- 0.2	- 0.1
October	331,769	100,858	432,627	-	- 0.5	- 0.1
November	331,692	100,506	432,198	-	- 0.3	- 0.1
December	331,994	100,187	432,181	+ 0.1	- 0.3	-

TABLE 12 - EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES, EXCLUDING FOOD FACTORIES

STATES

State	Employment in all Factories surveyed, excluding Food Factories				Percentage movement in employment	
	1957		1958		Oct., '58-	Nov., '58-
	November	December	October	December	Nov., '58	Dec., '58

MALES

New South Wales	140,864	141,135	141,699	141,278	141,594	- 0.3	+ 0.2
Victoria	104,718	104,671	104,892	105,082	105,105	+ 0.2	-
Queensland	24,698	24,819	23,814	23,760	23,570	- 0.2	- 0.8
South Australia	35,178	35,169	35,263	35,321	35,344	+ 0.2	+ 0.1
Western Australia	15,625	15,608	14,785	14,896	15,014	+ 0.8	+ 0.8
Tasmania	11,231	11,292	11,316	11,355	11,367	+ 0.3	+ 0.1
TOTAL:	332,314	332,694	331,769	331,692	331,994	-	+ 0.1

FEMALES

New South Wales	41,460	41,094	40,585	40,369	40,146	- 0.5	- 0.6
Victoria	41,405	41,168	40,585	40,489	40,408	- 0.2	- 0.2
Queensland	6,806	6,807	6,750	6,750	6,709	-	- 0.6
South Australia	7,520	7,521	7,514	7,385	7,369	- 1.7	- 0.2
Western Australia	2,678	2,680	2,713	2,726	2,715	+ 0.5	- 0.4
Tasmania	2,957	2,952	2,711	2,787	2,840	+ 2.8	+ 1.9
TOTAL:	102,826	102,222	100,858	100,506	100,187	- 0.3	- 0.3

PERSONS

New South Wales	182,324	182,229	182,284	181,647	181,740	- 0.3	+ 0.1
Victoria	146,123	145,839	145,477	145,571	145,513	+ 0.1	-
Queensland	31,504	31,626	30,564	30,510	30,279	- 0.2	- 0.8
South Australia	42,698	42,690	42,777	42,706	42,713	- 0.2	-
Western Australia	18,303	18,288	17,498	17,622	17,729	+ 0.7	+ 0.6
Tasmania	14,188	14,244	14,027	14,142	14,207	+ 0.8	+ 0.5
TOTAL:	435,140	434,916	432,627	432,198	432,181	- 0.1	-

TABLE 13 - EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES : FIVE MAINLAND STATES

INDUSTRIAL GROUPING

Industrial Group	Employment in Factories surveyed (5 States)				Percentage move- ment in employment	
	December, 1957	October, 1958	November, 1958	December, 1958	Oct., '58- Nov., '58	Nov., '58- Dec., '58
MALES						
1. Building Materials	33,628	33,973	34,116	34,177	+ 0.4	+ 0.2
2. Basic Metals	42,633	43,568	43,706	43,967	+ 0.3	+ 0.6
3. Transportation Equipment	57,449	54,407	54,083	54,029	- 0.6	- 0.1
4. Other Metal Manufactures	86,048	86,980	86,806	86,669	- 0.2	- 0.2
5. Chemicals & Allied Products	19,252	19,395	19,368	19,445	- 0.1	+ 0.4
6. Clothing and Textiles	32,551	32,056	32,070	32,021	-	- 0.2
7. Food	47,126	52,746	53,294	50,321	+ 1.0	- 5.6
8. All Other	49,841	50,074	50,188	50,319	+ 0.2	+ 0.3
Total - All Groups	368,528	373,199	373,631	370,948	+ 0.1	- 0.7
Total - Excluding Food	321,402	320,453	320,337	320,627	-	+ 0.1
FEMALES						
1. Building Materials	3,122	3,136	3,114	3,129	- 0.7	+ 0.5
2. Basic Metals	2,183	2,292	2,286	2,333	- 0.3	+ 2.1
3. Transportation Equipment	5,120	5,121	5,083	5,069	- 0.7	- 0.3
4. Other Metal Manufactures	20,465	20,849	20,635	20,483	- 1.0	- 0.7
5. Chemicals & Allied Products	4,497	4,478	4,496	4,497	+ 0.4	-
6. Clothing and Textiles	50,844	49,482	49,403	49,195	- 0.2	- 0.4
7. Food	15,661	14,506	14,954	14,883	+ 3.1	- 0.5
8. All Other	13,039	12,789	12,702	12,641	- 0.7	- 0.5
Total - All Groups	114,931	112,653	112,673	112,230	-	- 0.4
Total - Excluding Food	99,270	98,147	97,719	97,347	- 0.4	- 0.4

IV. WAGES AND HOURS OF LABOUR

TABLE 14 - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE EARNINGS (a) : AUSTRALIA

Index Numbers (Base 1945-46 = 1,000)

(Revised Series Seasonally Adjusted)

Year	Index Numbers		Quarter	Index Numbers	
	All Industries (b)	Manufacturing		All Industries (b)	Manufacturing
1945-46	1,000	1,000	1955 - Sept. Qtr.	2,811	2,809
1946-47	1,037	1,056	Dec. "	2,851	2,853
1947-48	1,212	1,206	1956 - March "	2,866	2,862
1948-49	1,374	1,365	June "	2,922	2,901
1949-50	1,513	1,505	Sept. "	2,977	2,945
1950-51	1,816	1,809	Dec. "	3,021	2,973
1951-52	2,221	2,219	1957 - March "	3,018	2,962
1952-53	2,428	2,394	June "	3,035	2,995
1953-54	2,553	2,511	Sept. "	3,086	3,025
1954-55	2,682	2,685	Dec. "	3,104	3,065
1955-56	2,863	2,856	1958 - March "	3,092	3,075
1956-57	3,013	2,969	June "	3,100	3,089
1957-58	3,096	3,064	Sept. "	3,177	3,147

(a) Includes salaries. (b) Average earnings per male unit employed. Male units represent total male employment plus a proportion of female employment based on the approximate ratio of female to male earnings.

NOTE:- The index numbers for "All Industries" and "Manufacturing" show the movement in average earnings over a period of time. However, they do not give, at any point of time, a comparison of actual earnings in the two groups.

The "All Industries" index is based on Pay-roll Tax Returns and other data. The index for manufacturing industries for the years 1945-46 to 1956-57 is based on the average earnings of male wage and salary earners employed in factories as disclosed by annual factory returns. The figures subsequent to June, 1957 are preliminary estimates based on Pay-roll Tax returns.

For revised figures from September quarter, 1947, see Bulletin No. 203, October, 1958.

TABLE 15 - AVERAGE WEEKLY TOTAL WAGES PAID AND AVERAGE EARNINGS

The following figures are derived from employment and wages recorded on Pay-roll Tax returns and from estimates of the unrecorded balance. Pay of members of the armed forces is not included. The figures are not seasonally adjusted. A seasonally adjusted quarterly index of average weekly wage earnings is shown in Table 14. (Revised Series)

Period	N.S.W. (a)	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A. (b)	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
AVERAGE WEEKLY TOTAL WAGES PAID (£'000)							
1951-52	14,778	10,171	4,391	3,051	2,231	1,075	35,697
1952-53	15,422	10,816	4,868	3,357	2,492	1,199	38,154
1953-54	16,480	11,767	5,227	3,615	2,754	1,305	41,148
1954-55	17,970	12,901	5,601	3,940	2,928	1,399	44,739
1955-56	19,764	14,144	6,033	4,330	3,104	1,521	48,896
1956-57	20,923	14,913	6,466	4,499	3,174	1,631	51,606
1957-58	21,620	15,487	6,582	4,622	3,282	1,661	53,254
1955-56 -							
March Quarter	18,978	13,579	5,648	4,181	3,050	1,488	46,924
June "	20,289	14,835	6,204	4,496	3,128	1,650	50,602
1956-57 -							
September Quarter	20,343	14,633	6,408	4,471	3,206	1,556	50,617
December "	21,883	15,467	6,886	4,602	3,191	1,644	53,673
March "	20,124	14,269	6,048	4,335	3,086	1,615	49,477
June "	21,342	15,285	6,520	4,586	3,213	1,710	52,656
1957-58 -							
September Quarter	21,236	15,149	6,594	4,607	3,317	1,569	52,472
December "	22,696	16,235	6,895	4,756	3,353	1,662	55,597
March "	20,598	14,755	6,086	4,465	3,111	1,641	50,656
June "	21,949	15,808	6,755	4,659	3,345	1,772	54,288
1958-59 -							
September Quarter	22,133	15,890	7,002	4,753	3,404	1,647	54,829
AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS PER EMPLOYED MALE UNIT (£) (c)							
1951-52	14.74	14.48	12.60	13.63	13.32	13.29	14.13
1952-53	15.96	15.71	14.17	15.17	14.69	14.80	15.45
1953-54	16.69	16.64	14.98	15.87	15.59	15.78	16.26
1954-55	17.64	17.59	15.58	16.83	16.11	16.54	17.13
1955-56	18.92	18.78	16.49	17.88	16.92	17.75	18.28
1956-57	19.88	19.69	17.47	18.27	17.47	18.76	19.15
1957-58	20.44	20.21	17.91	18.67	18.04	18.93	19.66
1955-56 -							
March Quarter	18.16	17.95	15.66	17.16	16.61	17.31	17.54
June "	19.32	19.61	16.92	18.24	16.99	18.85	18.80
1956-57 -							
September Quarter	19.42	19.44	17.20	18.25	17.64	18.09	18.85
December "	20.75	20.44	18.50	18.82	17.57	19.06	19.91
March "	19.08	18.78	16.49	17.51	16.97	18.39	18.33
June "	20.28	20.10	17.66	18.49	17.69	19.48	19.51
1957-58 -							
September Quarter	20.18	19.96	17.80	18.65	18.34	18.19	19.46
December "	21.44	21.27	18.93	19.25	18.44	19.20	20.58
March "	19.43	19.14	16.73	18.00	17.08	18.56	18.67
June "	20.69	20.49	18.20	18.78	18.28	19.78	19.93
1958-59 -							
September Quarter	20.91	20.67	18.67	19.16	18.65	18.71	20.15

(a) Includes the Australian Capital Territory. (b) Includes the Northern Territory.
 (c) Total wages as above divided by total civilian employment expressed in male units. Male units equals the number of males plus a proportion of females based on the approximate ratio of female to male earnings. The same ratio has been used in each State and because the average ratio of female to male earnings may vary between States precise comparisons between average earnings in different States cannot be made on the basis of the figures above.

NOTE:- Comparisons as to trend should be made for complete years or corresponding periods of incomplete years. Quarterly totals and averages are affected by seasonal influences.

For revised figures from September Quarter, 1947, see Bulletin No. 203, October, 1958.

TABLE 16 - AVERAGE NOMINAL WEEKLY WAGE RATES INDEX NUMBERS : ADULT MALES
INDUSTRIAL GROUPS - STATES (a)

The index numbers in the following tables are based on averages of wage rates for a full week's work obtained from awards, determinations and industrial agreements. The average rate of wage for each industrial group in each State is the arithmetical average of the rates of wage payable for specified occupations within that group. The figures for "All Groups" for each State and for each industrial group for Australia are weighted averages.

The base of each index number is the weighted average weekly wage for Australia of all industrial groups for the three years ended 30th June, 1939 = 100.

Industrial Group	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (b)
30TH SEPTEMBER, 1958							
I. Wood, Furniture, etc.	370	351	*347	346	361	358	*358
II. Engineering, Metal Works, etc.	354	342	370	339	362	360	351
III. Food, Drink, etc.	359	360	336	356	352	366	355
IV. Clothing, Textiles, etc.	346	349	358	358	363	344	350
V. Books, Printing, etc.	406	394	388	383	416	402	398
VI. Other Manufacturing	360	346	336	347	351	361	352
VII. Building	402	397	378	367	385	378	393
VIII. Mining (c)	368	356	353	338	378	353	363
IX. Rail and Tram Services	376	360	359	345	360	386	365
X. Other Land Transport	357	333	329	327	350	344	343
XI. Shipping, etc. (d)	378	381	378	378	379	380	379
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, etc.	430	385	378	382	392	406	401
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, etc.	342	333	312	313	327	326	332
XIV. Miscellaneous	353	343	328	327	341	342	343
<u>All Groups (b)</u>	377	359	*353	351	365	370	365

31ST DECEMBER, 1958

I. Wood, Furniture, etc.	369	351	349	346	362	358	358
II. Engineering, Metal Works, etc.	353	342	372	339	363	360	351
III. Food, Drink, etc.	359	360	338	357	354	366	355
IV. Clothing, Textiles, etc.	346	349	358	358	363	344	350
V. Books, Printing, etc.	406	394	401	383	439	402	401
VI. Other Manufacturing	360	346	338	347	352	361	352
VII. Building	401	398	380	367	386	378	393
VIII. Mining (c)	368	356	354	338	379	353	363
IX. Rail and Tram Services	375	360	362	345	361	386	365
X. Other Land Transport	357	333	331	327	351	344	343
XI. Shipping, etc. (d)	378	381	378	378	379	380	379
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, etc.	429	385	380	382	393	406	402
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, etc.	342	333	314	313	328	326	332
XIV. Miscellaneous	353	343	331	327	342	342	344
<u>All Groups (b)</u>	376	359	355	351	366	370	366

(a) The figures of nominal wages are in course of revision to meet changes in industrial structure. (b) Weighted average. (c) Average rates of wage on which index numbers are based are those prevailing at the principal mining centres in each State and exclude district allowances in the gold mining industry. (d) Average rates of wage on which index numbers are based are for occupations other than master, officers and engineers in the Merchant Marine Service, and include value of keep, where supplied.

* Revised.

TABLE 17 - AVERAGE NOMINAL HOURLY WAGE RATES INDEX NUMBERS : ADULT MALES, STATES (a)

The index numbers in the following table are based on average wage rates and hours of labour for a full week's work obtained from awards, determinations and industrial agreements. The average rate of wage for each State is the weighted average of the wage rates for each industrial group in the State. The average rate of wage for Australia is the weighted average of the wage rates for each State.

The base of each index number is the weighted average hourly wage for Australia for the three years ended 30th June, 1939 = 100.

Date	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.(b)
31st December, 1938	109	98	109	92	111	94	104
" " 1949	206	204	196	197	208	198	203
" " 1950	248	244	228	234	250	239	243
" " 1951	300	290	268	279	300	287	291
" " 1952	338	327	308	322	342	326	329
" " 1953	346	336	316	327	352	341	338
" " 1954	349	340	325	332	353	345	342
" " 1955	365	355	334	337	370	350	355
" " 1956	388	372	356	349	385	369	375
31st December, 1957	390	380	359	363	395	378	380
31st March, 1958	389	380	362	363	391	378	380
30th June, 1958	395	383	367	370	391	383	385
30th September, 1958	395	384	374	370	395	385	387
31st December, 1958	395	384	377	370	397	385	387

(a) Weighted average hourly rates of wage for all industrial groups except Groups XI (Shipping, etc.) and XII (Pastoral, Agricultural, etc.). The figures of nominal wages are in course of revision to meet changes in industrial structure. (b) Weighted average.

V. UNEMPLOYMENT

TABLE 18 - NUMBER OF PERSONS RECEIVING UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT (a) : STATES

NOTE:- The figures in this table are as furnished by the Department of Social Services.

Month	N.S.W. (b)	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A. (c)	W.A.	Tas.	Australia		
							Males	Females	Persons
1951 June	246	32	263	3	50	10	457	147	604
1952 June	4,613	1,133	2,055	153	236	104	6,108	2,186	8,294
1953 June	14,629	5,939	3,677	655	691	323	21,552	4,362	25,914
1954 June	2,810	1,203	1,657	79	225	109	4,360	1,723	6,083
1955 June	1,042	319	964	70	239	45	1,670	1,009	2,679
1956 June	2,325	1,412	1,270	319	1,606	71	5,395	1,608	7,003
1957 June	6,242	5,073	2,851	1,054	2,441	410	14,324	3,747	18,071
1958 June	11,703	6,899	4,905	2,267	3,005	639	22,051	7,367	29,418
1957 July	7,333	5,887	2,411	1,345	2,772	543	16,148	4,143	20,291
August	7,898	5,618	2,216	1,320	2,458	665	16,103	4,072	20,175
September	7,196	5,271	2,458	1,235	2,120	695	14,949	4,026	18,975
October	6,463	4,661	2,585	1,242	2,075	662	13,859	3,829	17,688
November	7,029	4,390	4,450	1,420	1,865	594	15,571	4,177	19,748
December	8,955	4,695	7,801	1,570	2,393	591	21,851	4,154	26,005
1958 January	9,872	4,974	9,357	1,522	2,596	434	24,273	4,482	28,755
February	9,620	4,085	9,431	1,444	2,257	326	22,141	5,022	27,163
March	8,721	4,135	7,814	1,554	2,018	243	19,359	5,126	24,485
April	9,568	5,006	7,831	1,896	2,214	296	20,875	5,936	26,811
May	10,502	5,894	5,799	2,085	2,543	459	20,552	6,730	27,282
June	11,703	6,899	4,905	2,267	3,005	639	22,051	7,367	29,418
July	12,098	7,442	3,907	2,393	3,363	712	22,266	7,649	29,915
August	11,350	7,435	3,176	2,207	3,219	891	21,104	7,174	28,278
September	10,626	6,735	2,984	1,933	2,875	849	19,098	6,904	26,002
October	10,302	5,656	2,874	1,707	2,709	789	17,494	6,543	24,037
November	9,859	4,916	3,031	1,507	2,354	635	15,872	6,430	22,302
December	11,881	5,436	5,460	1,707	2,501	580	20,919	6,646	27,565

(a) Number on benefit at last Saturday of month. For June, 1951 and June, 1952 the figures represent the number of persons on the cash sheet; thereafter they represent the number actually on benefit. (b) Includes the Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes the Northern Territory.