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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 80 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 per week in wages (other than certain Commonwealth Government Bodies, religious and benevolent institutions, public hospitals and other similar organizations specifically exempted under the Pay-roll Tax Assessment Act (1941-1954)). This Act, when originally introduced in 1941, required employers paying wages of more than £20 per week to lodge returns. The exemption limit was raised to £80 per week from 1st October, 1953 and to £120 per week from 1st September, 1954. The present exemption limit of £200 per week was introduced in 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. The Census of June, 1954, may show the need for some revision in the monthly aggregates. It is not anticipated, however, that any such revisions will affect the trends shown by the figures in Tables 1 to 8. Some revisions will be necessary in the totals and trends in employment shown for individual industries (particularly manufacturing) in Tables 7 and 8. Tables showing employment in individual classes of factory are not published pending review.

2. 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 in Private Domestic Service) (Thousands)

	1954		1955		1957		
	September	October	June	July	August	September	October
MALES							
1. In Private Employment	1416.1	1416.5	1416.9	1412.6	1410.0	1413.8	1413.9
In Governmental Employment -							
Commonwealth Bodies -							
Defence Group (a)	30.7	29.3	28.4	28.5	28.6	28.7	28.8
Other	131.8	132.2	137.2	137.4	137.1	137.4	137.5
State and Semi-Governmental	376.1	374.3	378.1	377.7	376.7	375.9	376.6
Local Government Bodies	65.4	65.8	65.8	66.0	65.7	65.9	66.0
2. Total Governmental	604.0	601.6	609.5	609.6	608.1	607.9	609.3
3. Grand Total in Civilian Employment	2020.1	2018.1	2026.4	2022.2	2018.1	2021.7	2023.2
4. Defence Forces (Permanent, Oversea and National Service Trainees in Camp) (b)	58.8	58.0	46.0	49.3	49.1	45.4	48.7
5. Total, Civilian Employees, Defence Forces and Trainees	2078.9	2076.1	2072.4	2071.5	2067.2	2067.1	2071.9
FEMALES							
1. In Private Employment	627.1	630.0	629.6	628.3	628.7	631.5	635.2
In Governmental Employment -							
Commonwealth Bodies -							
Defence Group (a)	7.0	6.4	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.2
Other	39.1	39.1	39.5	40.2	40.1	40.0	39.6
State and Semi-Governmental	77.6	77.6	80.8	81.0	80.9	80.6	80.6
Local Government Bodies	6.2	6.2	6.4	6.4	6.5	6.5	6.6
2. Total Governmental	129.9	129.3	132.8	133.7	133.6	*133.2	133.0
3. Grand Total in Civilian Employment	757.0	759.3	762.4	762.0	762.3	*764.7	768.2
4. Defence Forces (Permanent and Oversea)	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8
5. Total, Civilian Employees and Defence Forces	758.9	761.2	764.3	763.8	764.1	*766.5	770.0
PERSONS							
1. In Private Employment	2043.2	2046.5	2046.5	2040.9	2038.7	2045.3	2049.1
In Governmental Employment -							
Commonwealth Bodies -							
Defence Group (a)	37.7	35.7	34.5	34.6	34.7	34.8	35.0
Other	170.9	171.3	176.7	177.6	177.2	177.4	177.5
State and Semi-Governmental	453.7	451.9	458.9	458.7	457.6	*456.5	457.2
Local Government Bodies	71.6	72.0	72.2	72.4	72.2	72.4	72.6
2. Total Governmental	733.9	730.9	742.3	743.3	741.7	*741.1	742.3
3. Grand Total in Civilian Employment	2777.1	2777.4	2788.8	2784.2	2780.4	*2786.4	2791.4
4. Defence Forces (Permanent, Oversea and National Service Trainees in Camp) (b)	60.7	59.9	47.9	51.1	50.9	47.2	50.5
5. Total, Civilian Employees, Defence Forces and Trainees	2837.8	2837.3	2836.7	2835.3	2831.3	*2833.6	2841.9

(a) Comprises employees of the Departments of Air, Army, Navy, Defence, Supply and Defence Production. (b) Excludes rural workers and students in camp undergoing National Service Training but includes non-enlisted personnel. * Revised.

I. GENERAL SUMMARY

TABLE 1 - TOTAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES : AUSTRALIA

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

(Thousands)

Month	Males			Females			Persons		
	1955-56	1956-57	1957-58	1955-56	1956-57	1957-58	1955-56	1956-57	1957-58
July	(a)1996.0	2021.9	2022.2	738.7	757.6	762.0	(a)2734.7	2779.5	2784.2
August	1999.6	2020.0	2018.1	740.9	756.3	762.3	2740.5	2776.3	2780.4
September	2002.1	2020.1	2021.7	743.9	757.0	*764.7	2747.0	2777.1	*2786.4
October	2001.7	2018.1	2023.2	747.8	759.3	768.2	2749.5	2777.4	2791.4
November	2012.4	2021.3		756.1	765.5		2768.5	2792.8	
December	2012.9	2022.6		758.2	763.8		2771.1	2786.4	
January	(a)1990.7	2017.5		752.2	758.7		(a)2742.9	2776.2	
February	2018.8	2026.0		759.4	766.5		2778.2	2792.5	
March	2020.1	2029.0		762.2	768.8		2782.3	2797.8	
April	2025.4	2022.3		760.3	765.1		2785.7	2787.4	
May	2028.1	2026.3		760.6	764.5		2788.7	2790.8	
June	2025.9	2026.4		758.9	762.4		2784.8	2788.8	

(a) Affected by industrial disputes. * Revised.

TABLE 2 - DEFENCE FORCES : AUSTRALIA

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

(Thousands)

Month	Males			Females			Persons		
	1955-56	1956-57	1957-58	1955-56	1956-57	1957-58	1955-56	1956-57	1957-58
July	55.9	55.6	49.3	2.1	2.0	1.8	62.0	61.6	51.1
August	60.2	59.6	49.1	2.2	1.9	1.8	62.4	61.5	50.9
September	60.1	58.8	45.4	2.1	1.9	1.8	62.2	60.7	47.2
October	60.0	58.0	48.7	2.0	1.9	1.8	62.0	59.9	50.5
November	51.9	50.3		2.0	1.9		53.9	52.2	
December	45.8	47.3		2.0	1.9		51.8	49.4	
January	55.9	57.2		2.0	1.9		61.9	59.1	
February	60.1	57.7		2.0	1.8		62.1	59.5	
March	58.4	55.1		1.9	1.8		60.3	56.9	
April	58.9	48.0		1.9	1.9		60.8	49.9	
May	58.6	45.8		2.0	1.9		60.6	48.7	
June	57.3	45.0		2.0	1.9		59.3	47.9	

(a) Non-enlisted personnel are included. 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 in Private Domestic Service)

(Thousands)

Month	Males			Females			Persons		
	1955-56	1956-57	1957-58	1955-56	1956-57	1957-58	1955-56	1956-57	1957-58
July	(a)2055.9	2081.5	2071.5	740.8	759.6	763.8	(a)2796.7	2841.1	2835.3
August	2059.8	2079.6	2067.2	743.1	758.2	764.1	2802.9	2837.8	2831.3
September	2062.2	2078.9	2067.1	746.0	758.9	*766.5	2809.2	2837.8	*2833.6
October	2061.7	2076.1	2071.9	749.8	761.2	770.0	2811.5	2837.3	2841.9
November	2064.3	2077.6		758.1	767.4		2822.4	2845.0	
December	2062.7	2070.1		760.2	765.7		2822.9	2835.8	
January	(a)2050.6	2074.7		754.2	760.6		(a)2804.8	2835.3	
February	2078.9	2083.7		764.4	768.3		2840.3	2852.0	
March	2078.5	2084.1		764.1	770.6		2842.6	2854.7	
April	2084.3	2070.3		762.2	767.0		2846.5	2837.3	
May	2086.7	2072.1		762.6	766.4		2849.3	2839.5	
June	2083.2	2072.4		760.9	764.3		2844.1	2836.7	

(a) Affected by industrial disputes. * Revised.

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

(Thousands)

Month		Civilian Employees (excluding Rural Industry and Private Domestic Service)									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	1,293.1	55.2	381.9	437.1	405.0	1,325.2	1,730.2	12.9
1941	July	375.3	988.1	1,363.4	70.8	485.4	556.2	446.1	1,473.5	1,919.6	284.6
1942	June	420.9	888.6	1,309.5	100.8	502.8	603.6	521.7	1,391.4	1,913.1	634.0
1943	June	413.3	859.9	1,273.2	135.9	504.8	640.7	549.2	1,364.7	1,913.9	729.0
1944	June	404.5	871.1	1,275.6	134.0	497.5	631.5	538.5	1,368.6	1,907.1	704.4
1945	June	400.2	896.1	1,296.3	124.8	494.6	619.4	525.0	1,390.7	1,915.7	648.9
1946	June	435.0	1,071.5	1,506.5	94.0	502.0	596.0	529.0	1,573.5	2,102.5	143.4
1947	June	472.0	1,177.4	1,649.4	92.1	527.5	619.6	564.1	1,704.9	2,269.0	54.0
1948	June	494.0	1,236.9	1,730.9	94.9	549.1	644.0	588.9	1,786.0	2,374.9	39.3
1949	May (c)	518.9	1,268.2	1,787.1	99.2	564.9	664.1	618.1	1,833.1	2,451.2	33.6
1950	June	554.3	1,304.4	1,858.7	107.7	580.5	688.2	662.0	1,884.9	2,546.9	33.7
1951	June	571.2	1,340.3	1,911.5	113.9	604.9	718.8	685.1	1,945.2	2,630.3	44.3
1952	June (d)	578.4	1,329.7	1,908.1	115.3	564.1	679.4	693.7	1,893.8	2,587.5	69.4
1953	June	567.8	1,319.0	1,886.8	112.0	561.7	673.7	679.8	1,880.7	2,560.5	67.4
1954	June	581.4	1,367.0	1,948.4	114.5	593.0	707.5	695.9	1,960.0	2,655.9	62.1
1955	June	599.1	1,401.4	2,000.5	122.8	615.7	738.5	721.9	2,017.1	2,739.0	59.8
1956	June	604.9	1,421.0	2,025.9	129.8	629.1	758.9	734.7	2,050.1	2,784.8	59.3
1957	June	609.5	1,416.9	2,026.4	132.8	629.6	762.4	742.3	2,046.5	2,788.8	47.9
1955	September	597.5	1,405.6	2,003.1	123.7	620.2	743.9	721.2	2,025.8	2,747.0	62.2
	October	595.0	1,406.7	2,001.7	124.0	623.8	747.8	719.0	2,030.5	2,749.5	62.0
	November	595.2	1,417.2	2,012.4	124.9	631.2	756.1	720.1	2,048.4	2,768.5	53.9
	December	596.3	1,416.6	2,012.9	124.0	634.2	758.2	720.3	2,050.8	2,771.1	51.8
1956	Jan. (e)	595.3	1,395.4	1,990.7	123.9	628.3	752.2	719.2	2,023.7	2,742.9	61.9
	February	597.5	1,421.3	2,018.8	127.3	632.1	759.4	724.8	2,053.4	2,778.2	62.1
	March	598.9	1,421.2	2,020.1	128.7	633.5	762.2	727.6	2,054.7	2,782.3	60.3
	April	601.1	1,424.3	2,025.4	129.3	631.0	760.3	730.4	2,055.3	2,785.7	60.8
	May	603.6	1,424.5	2,028.1	129.7	630.9	760.6	733.3	2,055.4	2,788.7	60.6
	June	604.9	1,421.0	2,025.9	129.8	629.1	758.9	734.7	2,050.1	2,784.8	59.3
	July	605.7	1,416.2	2,021.9	130.8	626.8	757.6	736.5	2,043.0	2,779.5	61.6
	August	605.7	1,414.3	2,020.0	130.6	625.7	756.3	736.3	2,040.0	2,776.3	61.5
	September	604.0	1,416.1	2,020.1	129.9	627.1	757.0	733.9	2,043.2	2,777.1	60.7
	October	601.6	1,416.5	2,018.1	129.3	630.0	759.3	730.9	2,046.5	2,777.4	59.9
	November	602.6	1,424.7	2,027.3	129.6	635.9	765.5	732.2	2,060.6	2,792.8	52.2
	December	602.5	1,420.1	2,022.6	128.4	635.4	763.8	730.9	2,055.5	2,786.4	49.4
1957	January	602.1	1,415.4	2,017.5	128.1	630.6	758.7	730.2	2,046.0	2,776.2	59.1
	February	605.0	1,421.0	2,026.0	131.2	635.3	766.5	736.2	2,056.3	2,792.5	59.5
	March	605.2	1,423.8	2,029.0	131.4	637.4	768.8	736.6	2,061.2	2,797.8	56.9
	April	606.9	1,415.4	2,022.3	132.4	632.7	765.1	739.3	2,048.1	2,787.4	49.9
	May	609.2	1,417.1	2,026.3	132.6	631.9	764.5	741.8	2,049.0	2,790.8	48.7
	June	609.5	1,416.9	2,026.4	132.8	629.6	762.4	742.3	2,046.5	2,788.8	47.9
	July	609.6	1,412.6	2,022.2	133.7	628.3	762.0	743.3	2,040.9	2,784.2	51.1
	August	608.1	1,410.0	2,018.1	133.6	628.7	762.3	741.7	2,038.7	2,780.4	50.9
	September*	607.9	1,413.8	2,021.7	133.2	631.5	764.7	741.1	2,045.3	2,786.4	47.2
	October	609.3	1,413.9	2,023.2	133.0	635.2	768.2	742.3	2,049.1	2,791.4	50.5

(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. 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. (e) Affected by industrial disputes. * Revised.

4.
TABLE 5 - WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT

STATES AND TERRITORIES

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

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

(Thousands)

State or Territory	June, 1951	June, 1952	June, 1953	June, 1954	June, 1955	June, 1956	June, 1957	September, 1957	October, 1957
MALES									
New South Wales	758.2	754.4	734.3	758.1	779.2	787.8	789.5	788.5	789.5
Victoria	525.8	524.4	521.6	539.7	556.7	564.2	565.0	564.5	565.9
Queensland	259.3	258.1	255.2	263.7	272.0	276.0	275.8	273.3	272.0
South Australia	170.0	171.5	170.6	176.0	178.7	184.5	182.9	182.4	182.0
Western Australia	125.3	126.0	130.2	135.0	136.4	135.5	133.6	133.7	134.4
Tasmania	60.2	61.0	61.8	62.8	64.0	64.4	65.2	64.5	64.6
Northern Territory	4.6	4.4	4.6	4.9	4.8	5.0	5.5	5.5	5.5
Aust. Cap. Terr.	8.1	8.3	8.5	8.2	8.7	8.5	8.9	9.3	9.3
Australia:	1911.5	1908.1	1886.8	1948.4	2000.5	2025.9	2026.4	2021.7	2023.2
FEMALES									
New South Wales	290.9	270.5	266.2	279.5	292.5	300.2	302.2	304.7	307.0
Victoria	219.6	206.6	205.9	217.7	227.0	233.0	233.4	*232.3	233.8
Queensland	86.1	83.8	83.7	86.1	89.3	91.2	92.8	93.2	93.0
South Australia	57.0	54.9	53.4	56.9	60.2	62.9	62.8	63.2	63.1
Western Australia	41.6	40.5	41.0	42.8	43.9	44.6	44.2	44.8	44.9
Tasmania	20.3	19.8	20.1	21.0	21.7	22.8	22.6	22.0	21.9
Northern Territory	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.2
Aust. Cap. Terr.	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.6	2.9	3.1	3.2	3.3	3.3
Australia:	718.8	679.4	673.7	707.5	738.5	758.9	762.4	*764.7	768.2
PERSONS									
New South Wales	1049.1	1024.9	1000.5	1037.6	1071.7	1088.0	1091.7	1093.2	1096.5
Victoria	745.4	731.0	727.5	757.4	783.7	797.2	798.4	*796.8	799.7
Queensland	345.4	341.9	338.9	349.8	361.3	367.2	368.6	366.5	365.0
South Australia	227.0	226.4	224.0	232.9	238.9	247.4	245.7	245.6	245.1
Western Australia	166.9	166.5	171.2	177.8	180.3	180.1	177.8	178.5	179.3
Tasmania	80.5	80.8	81.9	83.8	85.7	87.2	87.8	86.5	86.5
Northern Territory	5.4	5.2	5.5	5.8	5.8	6.1	6.7	6.7	6.7
Aust. Cap. Terr.	10.6	10.8	11.0	10.8	11.6	11.6	12.1	12.6	12.6
Australia:	2630.3	2587.5	2560.5	2655.9	2739.0	2784.8	2788.8	*2786.4	2791.4

* Revised.

TABLE 6 - CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES OF GOVERNMENTAL BODIES, OCTOBER, 1957.

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	8.8	1.0	48.0	14.3	56.8	15.3	132.7	26.9	26.7	3.0	216.2	45.2	261.4
Victoria	14.4	4.1	36.7	11.1	51.1	15.2	98.4	24.8	13.3	1.8	162.8	41.8	204.6
Queensland	1.1	0.2	17.1	4.7	18.2	4.9	54.0	8.0	17.3	0.9	89.5	13.8	103.3
South Australia	3.6	0.7	13.1	3.0	16.7	3.7	38.9	10.1	3.1	0.3	58.7	14.1	72.8
Western Australia	0.6	C.1	8.5	2.1	9.1	2.2	38.6	6.8	3.4	0.4	51.1	9.4	60.5
Tasmania	0.1	0.1	4.5	1.2	4.6	1.3	14.0	4.0	2.1	0.2	20.7	5.5	26.2
Northern Territory	0.1	..	2.6	0.7	2.7	0.7	..	..	0.1	..	2.8	0.7	3.5
Aust. Cap. Terr.	0.1	..	7.4	2.5	7.5	2.5	..	..	..	..	7.5	2.5	10.0
Total : October 1957 :	28.8	6.2	137.9	39.6	166.7	45.8	376.6	80.6	66.0	6.6	609.3	133.0	742.3
Total : *September 1957 :	28.7	6.1	137.4	40.0	166.1	46.1	375.9	80.6	65.9	6.5	607.9	133.2	741.1

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

II. EMPLOYMENT IN INDUSTRIAL GROUPS

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

STATES - OCTOBER, 1957.

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and in Private Domestic Service)
(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. (f)
MALES							
Forestry, Fishing and Trapping	8.1	5.3	5.4	1.8	2.5	2.0	25.2
Mining and Quarrying	27.7	4.6	9.2	1.7	7.5	3.0	54.3
Manufacturing, etc. - Factories (a)	298.7	226.1	74.7	69.6	35.0	20.2	724.3
Other (b)	27.4	19.2	10.7	2.7	2.5	0.8	64.6
Total Manufacturing:	326.1	245.3	85.4	72.3	37.5	21.0	788.9
Building and Construction (including repairs, etc.)	72.7	49.0	34.7	19.1	14.7	8.7	202.5
Road Transport	35.5	21.7	14.3	7.1	4.5	2.5	85.9
Shipping and Stevedoring	15.6	11.2	8.5	5.7	5.3	2.3	48.9
Rail and Air Transport	37.7	22.9	21.8	9.9	10.5	2.5	105.8
Communication	26.8	18.7	9.8	6.1	4.6	2.1	68.6
Property and Finance (incl. Banks, etc.)	25.1	19.4	8.5	5.3	4.0	1.6	63.9
Retail Trade	51.4	38.3	15.7	12.1	9.4	3.6	130.8
Wholesale and Other Commerce	52.0	44.2	21.8	15.3	14.0	4.6	152.4
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.	36.9	29.0	11.9	8.2	7.5	3.9	102.1
Other Industries (g)	73.9	56.3	25.0	17.4	12.4	6.8	193.9
TOTAL MALES:	789.5	565.9	272.0	182.0	134.4	64.6	2023.2
FEMALES							
Manufacturing, etc. - Factories (a)	99.5	87.7	13.8	16.2	6.0	4.2	227.4
Other (b)	1.1	2.3	2.9	0.1	0.9	..	7.5
Total Manufacturing:	100.6	90.0	16.7	16.3	6.9	4.2	234.9
Rail and Air Transport	3.8	2.1	1.2	0.7	0.4	0.1	8.3
Other Transport (incl. Shipping, etc.)	4.3	3.6	1.9	1.0	0.5	0.3	11.7
Communication	7.5	5.6	2.8	1.9	1.0	1.0	19.9
Property and Finance (incl. Banks, etc.)	19.2	12.3	4.9	3.5	2.3	1.0	43.3
Retail Trade	46.9	33.2	16.8	12.3	10.2	4.0	123.9
Wholesale and Other Commerce	18.4	12.8	7.3	4.0	3.4	1.0	47.0
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.	11.1	7.5	4.6	1.8	2.0	1.1	29.5
Other Industries (g)	95.2	68.7	36.8	21.6	18.2	9.2	250.4
TOTAL FEMALES:	307.0	234.8	93.0	63.1	44.9	21.9	768.6
PERSONS							
Forestry, Fishing and Trapping	8.2	5.4	5.4	1.8	2.5	2.0	25.4
Mining and Quarrying	28.0	4.7	9.6	1.8	7.7	3.1	55.5
Manufacturing, etc. - Factories (a)	398.2	313.8	88.5	85.8	41.0	24.4	951.7
Other (b)	28.5	21.5	13.6	2.8	3.4	0.8	72.1
Total Manufacturing:	426.7	335.3	102.1	88.6	44.4	25.2	1023.8
Building and Construction (including repairs, etc.)	75.0	50.4	35.3	19.5	15.0	8.8	207.8
Road Transport	38.7	24.7	15.9	7.9	4.8	2.7	95.1
Shipping and Stevedoring	16.7	11.8	8.8	5.9	5.5	2.4	51.4
Rail and Air Transport	41.5	25.0	23.0	10.6	10.9	2.6	114.1
Communication	34.3	24.3	12.6	8.0	5.6	3.1	88.5
Property and Finance (incl. Banks, etc.)	44.3	31.7	13.4	8.8	6.3	2.6	107.2
Retail Trade	98.3	71.5	32.5	24.4	19.6	7.6	254.7
Wholesale and Other Commerce	70.4	57.0	29.1	19.3	17.4	5.6	199.4
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.	48.0	36.5	16.5	10.0	9.5	5.0	131.6
Other Industries (g)	166.4	121.8	60.8	38.5	30.1	15.8	437.3
TOTAL PERSONS:	1096.5	800.7	365.0	245.1	179.3	86.5	2791.8

For notes see page 8.

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

AUSTRALIA

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

Industrial Group	September 1956	October 1956	July, 1957	August, 1957	September 1957	October, 1957
<u>MALES</u>						
<u>Forestry, Fishing and Trapping</u>	26.1	25.9	25.0	25.2	25.3	25.2
<u>Mining -</u>						
Gold	7.4	7.4	7.2	7.1	7.1	7.1
Silver, Lead, Zinc	10.2	10.2	10.2	10.0	9.8	9.8
Coal	27.0	26.8	25.2	24.7	24.4	24.4
Other (including Quarries)	12.9	13.1	13.5	13.3	13.2	13.0
<u>Total Mining and Quarrying</u>	57.5	57.5	56.1	55.1	54.5	54.3
<u>Manufacturing, etc. -</u>						
Factories (a)	718.1	716.9	721.0	719.9	722.5	724.3
Other (b)	64.4	64.2	64.3	64.3	64.5	64.6
<u>Total Manufacturing</u>	782.5	781.1	785.3	784.2	787.0	788.9
<u>Building and Construction (including repairs, etc.)</u>						
Building (Privately employed) (c)	99.4	98.2	93.1	91.6	90.3	89.0
Other (d)	113.0	112.8	113.6	112.8	113.1	113.5
<u>Total Building and Construction</u>	212.4	211.0	206.7	204.4	203.4	202.5
<u>Transport and Communication</u>						
Road Transport	85.8	85.8	86.1	85.9	85.6	85.9
Shipping and Stevedoring	51.4	51.7	50.3	50.2	50.1	48.9
Rail and Air Transport	108.7	108.4	107.6	107.0	106.5	105.8
Communication	65.1	65.3	68.0	68.0	68.3	68.6
<u>Total Transport, etc.</u>	311.0	311.2	312.0	311.1	310.5	309.2
<u>Property and Finance, (including Banks and Insurance)</u>						
	61.6	61.5	63.8	63.9	63.8	63.9
<u>Commerce -</u>						
Wholesale Trade	125.2	124.7	125.0	124.9	125.2	125.5
Primary Produce Agencies	26.1	26.0	23.8	24.6	26.4	26.9
Retail Trade	128.7	129.2	129.6	129.5	130.0	130.8
<u>Total Commerce</u>	280.0	279.9	278.4	279.0	281.6	283.2
<u>Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.</u>	100.6	100.5	101.8	101.8	101.8	102.1
<u>Other</u>						
Law and Order	21.1	21.3	22.2	22.3	22.2	22.3
Religion and Social Welfare	11.4	11.4	11.4	11.4	11.4	11.4
Health Services	26.7	26.8	27.2	27.3	27.3	27.4
Education	41.1	41.1	43.3	43.2	43.1	43.1
Other Professional	14.5	14.6	15.2	15.2	15.0	14.8
Entertainment, Sport	19.5	20.1	19.3	19.4	20.0	19.6
Personal Service (e)	54.1	54.2	54.5	54.6	54.8	55.3
<u>Total Other</u>	188.4	189.5	193.1	193.4	193.8	193.9
<u>TOTAL :</u>	2020.1	2018.1	2022.2	2018.1	2021.7	2023.2
<u>FEMALES</u>						
<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	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2
<u>Manufacturing, etc. -</u>						
Factories (a)	227.2	227.1	224.8	224.9	225.7	227.4
Other (b)	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.5
<u>Total Manufacturing</u>	234.6	234.5	232.2	232.3	233.1	234.9
<u>Building and Construction (including repairs, etc.)</u>						
	5.1	5.1	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.3
<u>Transport and Communication</u>						
Road Transport	9.4	9.4	9.3	9.3	9.2	9.2
Shipping and Stevedoring	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Rail and Air Transport	8.6	8.5	8.5	8.4	8.4	8.3
Communication	19.5	19.7	19.8	19.8	19.9	19.9
<u>Total Transport, etc.</u>	40.0	40.1	40.1	40.0	40.0	39.9

For notes see page 8.

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

AUSTRALIA (Continued)

(Thousands)

Industrial Group	September 1955	October, 1955	July, 1957	August, 1957	September 1957	October, 1957
FEMALES (Continued)						
Property and Finance (including Banks and Insurance)	41.7	41.5	43.5	43.4	43.2	43.3
Commerce -						
Wholesale Trade	40.0	40.7	40.5	40.5	40.7	40.8
Primary Produce Agencies	6.0	5.1	6.1	6.2	6.3	6.2
Retail Trade	121.1	122.2	121.3	121.0	122.1	123.9
Total Commerce	167.1	168.0	167.9	167.7	169.1	170.9
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.	29.4	29.2	29.8	29.9	29.7	29.5
Other -						
Law and Order	9.9	9.8	10.2	10.2	10.3	10.2
Religion and Social Welfare	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0
Health Services	78.4	78.6	79.6	79.8	80.2	80.3
Education	50.8	50.8	54.0	54.0	* 53.6	53.7
Other Professional	10.3	10.3	10.5	10.4	10.4	10.5
Entertainment, Sport	9.5	10.0	9.4	9.4	9.5	9.4
Personal Service (e)	69.8	70.4	69.1	69.4	69.8	69.9
Total Other	237.7	238.9	241.8	242.3	*242.8	243.0
TOTAL :	757.0	758.3	762.0	762.3	*764.7	768.2
PERSONS						
Forestry, Fishing and Trapping	26.3	26.1	25.2	25.4	25.5	25.4
Mining -						
Gold	7.6	7.6	7.4	7.3	7.3	7.3
Silver, Lead, Zinc	10.5	10.5	10.5	10.3	10.1	10.1
Coal	27.2	27.0	29.4	24.9	24.6	24.6
Other (including Quarries)	13.4	13.6	14.0	13.8	13.7	13.5
Total Mining and Quarrying	58.7	58.7	57.3	56.3	55.7	55.5
Manufacturing, etc. -						
Factories (a)	945.3	944.0	945.8	944.8	948.2	951.7
Other (b)	71.8	71.6	71.7	71.7	71.9	72.1
Total Manufacturing	1017.1	1015.6	1017.5	1016.5	1020.1	1023.8
Building and Construction (including repairs, etc.)						
Building (Privately employed) (c)	102.2	101.0	96.0	94.5	93.2	91.9
Other (d)	115.3	115.1	116.0	115.3	115.5	115.9
Total Building and Construction	217.5	216.1	212.0	209.7	208.7	207.8
Transport and Communication						
Road Transport	95.2	95.2	95.4	95.2	94.8	95.1
Shipping and Stevedoring	53.9	54.2	52.8	52.7	52.6	51.4
Rail and Air Transport	117.3	116.9	116.1	115.4	114.9	114.1
Communication	84.6	85.0	87.8	87.8	88.2	88.5
Total Transport, etc.	351.0	351.3	352.1	351.1	350.5	349.1
Property and Finance (including Banks and Insurance)						
Commerce -						
Wholesale Trade	165.2	164.9	165.5	165.4	165.9	166.3
Primary Produce Agencies	32.1	32.1	29.9	30.8	32.7	33.1
Retail Trade	249.8	251.4	250.9	250.5	252.1	254.7
Total Commerce	447.1	448.4	446.3	446.7	450.7	454.1
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.	130.0	129.7	131.6	131.7	131.5	131.6
Other -						
Law and Order	31.0	31.1	32.4	32.5	32.5	32.5
Religion and Social Welfare	20.4	20.4	20.4	20.4	20.4	20.4
Health Services	105.1	105.4	106.8	107.2	107.5	107.7
Education	91.9	91.9	97.3	97.2	*96.7	96.8
Other Professional	24.8	24.9	25.7	25.6	25.4	25.3
Entertainment, Sport	29.0	30.1	28.7	28.8	29.5	29.0
Personal Service (e)	123.9	124.6	123.6	124.0	124.6	125.2
Total Other	426.1	428.4	434.9	435.7	*436.6	436.9
TOTAL :	2777.1	2777.4	2784.2	2780.4	*2786.4	2791.4

For notes see page 8. * Revised.

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. Revision will be necessary in the estimates herein to numbers of employees in factories since June, 1948, within the above definition. A new series of returns was instituted as from January, 1952, which shows the same approximate trend as the figures herein since that date. A survey of the results obtained from this series is presented in Section III.
- (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 or 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 Northern Territory and 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 and 11 are totals for 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
1956 : October	371,913	115,593	487,506	-	+ 0.8	+ 0.2
November	372,166	115,556	487,722	+ 0.1	- 0.1	-
December	370,659	115,797	486,456	- 0.4	+ 0.2	- 0.3
1957 : January	368,956	115,397	487,353	- 0.5	+ 2.2	+ 0.2
February	373,409	120,763	494,172	+ 1.2	+ 2.0	+ 1.4
March	374,710	121,452	496,162	+ 0.3	+ 0.6	+ 0.4
April	373,127	118,180	491,307	- 0.4	- 2.7	- 1.0
May	374,363	116,265	490,628	+ 0.3	- 1.6	- 0.1
June	374,760	115,170	489,930	+ 0.1	- 0.9	- 0.1
July	374,346	114,641	488,987	- 0.2	- 0.5	- 0.2
August	374,677	114,487	489,164	+ 0.1	- 0.1	-
September	375,991	114,697	490,688	+ 0.3	+ 0.2	+ 0.3
October	375,462	115,684	491,146	- 0.1	+ 0.9	+ 0.1
November	375,304	115,929	491,233	-	+ 0.2	-

TABLE 10 - EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES

STATES

State	Employment in all Factories surveyed				Percentage movement in employment	
	1956		1957		September '57	October '57
	October	November	September	November	October '57	November, '57
MALES						
New South Wales	149,074	149,050	151,593	152,217	153,074	+ 0.4
Victoria	110,715	111,212	112,897	113,732	114,384	+ 0.7
Queensland	41,679	41,541	41,047	39,028	37,486	- 4.9
South Australia	40,158	40,008	39,979	39,830	39,592	- 0.4
Western Australia	17,736	17,755	17,498	17,661	17,755	+ 0.9
Tasmania	12,551	12,600	12,977	12,994	13,013	+ 0.1
TOTAL:	371,913	372,166	375,991	375,462	375,304	- 0.1
FEMALES						
New South Wales	46,110	45,752	46,130	46,419	46,718	+ 0.6
Victoria	44,739	44,852	44,372	45,048	45,012	+ 1.5
Queensland	8,599	8,621	8,253	8,237	8,126	- 0.2
South Australia	8,537	8,602	8,790	8,864	8,849	+ 0.8
Western Australia	3,631	3,663	3,408	3,455	3,499	+ 1.4
Tasmania	4,077	4,066	3,744	3,661	3,725	- 2.2
TOTAL:	115,693	115,556	114,697	115,684	115,929	+ 0.9
PERSONS						
New South Wales	195,184	194,802	197,723	198,636	199,792	+ 0.5
Victoria	155,454	156,064	157,269	158,780	159,396	+ 1.0
Queensland	50,278	50,162	49,300	47,265	45,612	- 4.1
South Australia	48,695	48,610	48,769	48,694	48,441	- 0.2
Western Australia	21,367	21,418	20,906	21,116	21,254	+ 1.0
Tasmania	16,628	16,666	16,721	16,655	16,738	- 0.4
TOTAL:	487,606	487,722	490,688	491,146	491,233	+ 0.1

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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
1956 : October	319,137	100,402	419,539	- 0.2	+ 0.5	..
November	318,716	100,125	418,841	- 0.1	- 0.3	- 0.2
December	318,234	99,825	418,759	+ 0.1	- 0.3	..
1957 : January	320,155	99,760	419,915	+ 0.4	- 0.1	+ 0.3
February	322,047	100,396	422,443	+ 0.6	+ 0.6	+ 0.6
March	322,811	100,750	423,561	+ 0.2	+ 0.4	+ 0.3
April	322,282	100,493	422,775	- 0.2	- 0.3	- 0.2
May	320,556	99,934	422,290	..	- 0.6	- 0.1
June	322,019	99,464	421,483	- 0.1	- 0.5	- 0.2
July	321,831	99,439	421,270	- 0.1	..	- 0.1
August	322,176	99,569	421,745	+ 0.1	+ 0.1	+ 0.1
September	323,560	99,905	423,465	+ 0.4	+ 0.3	+ 0.4
October	323,851	100,466	424,317	+ 0.1	+ 0.6	+ 0.2
November	325,049	100,694	425,743	+ 0.4	+ 0.2	+ 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	
	1956		1957		Sept., '57- October, '57	October, '57- Nov., '57	
	October	November	September	October			November
MALES							
New South Wales	135,405	135,478	138,229	138,679	139,442	+ 0.3	+ 0.6
Victoria	96,912	96,651	98,891	98,969	99,452	+ 0.1	+ 0.5
Queensland	25,322	25,298	24,702	24,603	24,716	- 0.4	+ 0.5
South Australia	35,074	35,630	35,662	35,452	35,185	- 0.6	- 0.8
Western Australia	15,215	15,186	15,114	15,191	15,273	+ 0.5	+ 0.5
Tasmania	10,406	10,473	10,962	10,957	10,981	...	+ 0.2
TOTAL:	319,137	318,716	323,560	323,851	325,049	+ 0.1	+ 0.4
FEMALES							
New South Wales	40,362	40,019	40,635	40,822	41,013	+ 0.5	+ 0.5
Victoria	35,911	39,878	39,613	39,946	39,993	+ 0.8	+ 0.1
Queensland	6,856	6,979	6,617	6,601	6,566	- 0.2	- 0.5
South Australia	7,221	7,273	7,476	7,570	7,520	+ 1.3	- 0.7
Western Australia	2,738	2,795	2,618	2,634	2,645	+ 0.6	+ 0.4
Tasmania	3,152	3,181	2,946	2,893	2,957	- 1.8	+ 2.2
TOTAL:	100,402	100,125	99,905	100,466	100,694	+ 0.6	+ 0.2
PERSONS							
New South Wales	175,770	175,497	178,864	179,501	180,455	+ 0.4	+ 0.5
Victoria	136,623	136,529	138,504	138,915	139,445	+ 0.3	+ 0.4
Queensland	32,250	32,277	31,319	31,204	31,282	- 0.4	+ 0.2
South Australia	43,095	42,903	43,138	43,022	42,705	- 0.3	- 0.7
Western Australia	18,013	17,981	17,732	17,825	17,918	+ 0.5	+ 0.5
Tasmania	13,558	13,654	13,908	13,850	13,938	- 0.4	+ 0.6
TOTAL:	419,539	418,841	423,465	424,317	425,743	+ 0.2	+ 0.3

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	
	November 1956	September 1957	October 1957	November 1957	Sept., '57- Oct., '57	Oct., '57- Nov., '57
MALES						
1. Building Materials	33,375	32,886	33,018	33,263	+ 0.4	+ 0.7
2. Basic Metals	39,277	41,426	41,549	41,728	+ 0.3	+ 0.4
3. Transportation Equipment	55,754	56,975	57,004	57,328	+ 0.1	+ 0.6
4. Other Metal Manufactures	81,746	83,783	84,032	84,330	+ 0.3	+ 0.4
5. Chemicals & Allied Products	18,748	18,882	18,946	18,968	+ 0.3	+ 0.1
6. Clothing and Textiles	32,840	32,148	31,964	32,018	- 0.6	+ 0.2
7. Food	51,323	50,416	49,574	48,223	- 1.7	- 2.7
8. All Other	46,503	46,498	46,381	46,433	- 0.3	+ 0.1
Total - All Groups	359,566	363,014	362,468	362,291	- 0.2	-
Total - Excluding Food	308,243	312,598	312,894	314,068	+ 0.1	+ 0.4

FEMALES

1. Building Materials	3,009	2,923	2,947	2,977	+ 0.8	+ 1.0
2. Basic Metals	2,045	2,068	2,073	2,110	+ 0.2	+ 1.8
3. Transportation Equipment	5,051	5,092	5,085	5,112	- 0.1	+ 0.5
4. Other Metal Manufactures	17,906	19,897	20,413	20,382	+ 2.6	- 0.2
5. Chemicals & Allied Products	4,280	4,226	4,300	4,350	+ 1.8	+ 1.2
6. Clothing and Textiles	51,740	50,178	50,211	50,156	+ 0.1	- 0.1
7. Food	14,546	13,994	14,450	14,467	+ 3.3	+ 0.1
8. All Other	12,913	12,575	12,544	12,650	- 0.2	+ 0.8
Total - All Groups	111,490	110,953	112,023	112,204	+ 1.0	+ 0.2
Total - Excluding Food	96,944	96,959	97,573	97,737	+ 0.6	+ 0.2

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 -		
1946-47	1,037	1,056	June quarter	2,652	2,758
1947-48	1,164	1,206	Sept. "	2,689	2,806
1948-49	1,322	1,365	Dec. "	2,731	2,849
1949-50	1,451	1,505			
1950-51	1,742	1,810	1956 -		
1951-52	2,145	2,213	March "	2,749	2,859
1952-53	2,350	2,394	June "	2,801	2,897
1953-54	2,462	2,511	Sept. "	2,863	2,968
			Dec. "	2,903	2,996
1954-55	2,572	2,685	1957 -		
1955-56	2,743	2,853	March "	2,910	2,983
1956-57	2,899	2,984	June "	2,921	2,986
			Sept. "	2,965	3,016

(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. They do not, however, 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 1955-56 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, 1956 are preliminary estimates based on Pay-roll Tax returns.

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.

Period	N.S.W. (a)	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A. (b)	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
AVERAGE WEEKLY TOTAL WAGES PAID (£'000)							
1950-51	11,385	7,916	3,501	2,389	1,639	817	27,647
1951-52	14,364	9,816	4,319	3,018	2,108	1,059	34,684
1952-53	15,090	10,490	4,750	3,311	2,344	1,178	37,163
1953-54	16,043	11,305	5,065	3,561	2,586	1,280	39,840
1954-55	17,357	12,221	5,398	3,839	2,731	1,365	42,911
1955-56	18,955	13,358	5,809	4,195	2,897	1,476	46,690
1956-57	20,167	14,111	6,218	4,387	2,979	1,596	49,458
1954-55							
March Quarter	16,511	11,678	5,017	3,712	2,610	1,346	40,874
June "	18,235	12,916	5,619	4,033	2,813	1,492	45,108
1955-56							
September Quarter	18,454	12,890	5,765	4,097	2,844	1,414	45,464
December "	19,683	13,664	6,034	4,267	2,980	1,462	48,090
March "	18,229	12,832	5,435	4,057	2,849	1,442	44,844
June "	19,453	14,045	6,002	4,359	2,915	1,587	48,361
1956-57							
September Quarter	19,613	13,877	6,145	4,364	3,003	1,529	48,531
December "	21,038	14,627	6,584	4,497	3,011	1,610	51,367
March "	19,420	13,500	5,837	4,231	2,899	1,584	47,471
June "	20,595	14,441	6,304	4,456	3,005	1,660	50,461
1957-58							
September Quarter	20,432	14,330	6,320	4,483	3,089	1,542	50,196
AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS PER EMPLOYED MALE UNIT (£) (c)							
1950-51	11.46	11.70	9.82	10.58	10.23	9.99	11.09
1951-52	14.24	14.20	11.93	13.13	12.80	12.59	13.65
1952-53	15.50	15.46	13.32	14.58	14.13	13.97	14.95
1953-54	16.15	16.27	14.05	15.30	15.04	14.92	15.69
1954-55	16.96	17.06	14.51	16.09	15.55	15.60	16.42
1955-56	18.16	18.22	15.34	17.10	16.37	16.66	17.51
1956-57	19.20	19.13	16.24	17.70	17.02	17.73	18.43
1954-55							
March Quarter	16.07	16.20	13.59	15.50	14.86	15.20	15.59
June "	17.64	17.81	14.90	16.73	15.92	16.76	17.07
1955-56							
September Quarter	17.79	17.75	15.16	16.98	16.12	16.11	17.16
December "	18.83	18.68	15.89	17.49	16.82	16.65	18.04
March "	17.46	17.43	14.54	16.43	16.08	16.25	16.81
June "	18.57	19.00	15.75	17.51	16.45	17.61	18.02
1956-57							
September Quarter	18.75	18.87	15.97	17.63	17.14	17.15	18.12
December "	20.01	19.84	17.14	18.20	17.19	18.04	19.13
March "	18.45	18.27	15.37	17.01	16.57	17.43	17.67
June "	19.60	19.54	16.46	17.94	17.18	18.30	18.78
1957-58							
September Quarter	19.45	19.42	16.44	18.11	17.73	17.31	18.70

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (b) Includes 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. The series is subject to revision based on the results of the 1954 Census.

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 classified 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)
<u>30TH JUNE, 1957.</u>							
I. Wood, Furniture, etc.	364	346	324	340	357	352	350
II. Engineering, Metal Works, etc.	349	338	353	334	358	354	344
III. Food, Drink, etc.	351	355	319	348	347	363	346
IV. Clothing, Textiles, etc.	341	344	352	352	358	338	344
V. Books, Printing, etc.	400	392	378	378	411	397	393
VI. Other Manufacturing	353	341	323	341	347	357	345
VII. Building	396	383	360	361	378	369	383
VIII. Mining (c)	357	352	341	332	372	347	355
IX. Rail and Tram Services	369	360	343	339	350	374	358
X. Other Land Transport	350	328	311	321	346	338	336
XI. Shipping, etc. (d)	372	375	372	372	373	374	373
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, etc. (e)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, etc.	336	330	295	308	323	322	325
XIV. Miscellaneous	347	339	311	317	337	335	336
All Groups (b)(f):	368	353	340	342	358	364	357

30TH SEPTEMBER, 1957

I. Wood, Furniture, etc.	365	346	326	340	362	352	351
II. Engineering, Metal Works, etc.	349	338	355	334	362	354	345
III. Food, Drink, etc.	354	356	321	350	352	363	348
IV. Clothing, Textiles, etc.	341	344	352	352	358	338	344
V. Books, Printing, etc.	401	392	379	378	414	397	394
VI. Other Manufacturing	354	341	325	341	350	357	346
VII. Building	397	384	362	361	386	369	384
VIII. Mining (c)	358	352	342	332	375	347	356
IX. Rail and Tram Services	372	360	345	339	360	374	360
X. Other Land Transport	352	328	313	321	350	338	337
XI. Shipping, etc. (d)	373	375	372	372	373	374	373
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, etc. (e)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, etc.	337	330	297	308	327	322	326
XIV. Miscellaneous	349	339	313	317	341	335	337
All Groups (b)(f):	369	353	342	342	363	364	358

- (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.
- (e) Not available.
- (f) Since December, 1955 the "All Groups" average weekly wage rate index numbers have been calculated for each quarter by applying to the December, 1955 "All Groups" average weekly wage rate index number the respective percentage movement, from December, 1955, shown by the average weekly wage rate index number for "All Groups excluding XI and XII".

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
" " 1945	136	133	133	124	138	127	133
" " 1946	146	143	142	132	141	137	143
" " 1947	168	153	139	152	155	149	158
" " 1948	192	188	179	183	190	184	188
" " 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	371	350	355
30th June, 1956	373	367	342	349	375	368	365
30th September, 1956	379	372	350	349	380	369	370
31st December, 1956	388	372	356	349	385	369	375
31st March, 1957	385	372	356	349	387	369	374
30th June, 1957	388	379	357	362	390	378	379
30th September, 1957	389	379	359	362	395	378	380

(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 : STATES

Compiled from information furnished by the Department of Social Services on the operation of the Unemployment and Sickness Benefits Act 1944 (from 1st July, 1947, Part VII of the Social Services Act 1947-1956) which came into effect on 1st July, 1945. From June, 1951 onwards, figures are as furnished by the Department of Social Services.

Number of Persons on Benefit at end of each Month (a)

Month	N.S.W. (b)	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A. (c)	W.A.	Tas.	Australia		
							Males	Females	Persons
1947 June	1,400	667	3,231	105	761	44	5,981	227	6,208
1948 June	339	66	1,173	20	212	28	1,718	120	1,838
1949 May	222	33	809	12	91	29	1,102	94	1,196
1950 June	335	151	568	32	108	32	998	228	1,226
1951 June (d)	246	32	263	3	50	10	457	147	604
1952 June	4,513	1,133	2,055	153	236	104	6,108	2,186	8,294
1953 June (e)	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 Jan.	1,042	319	964	70	239	45	1,670	1,009	2,679
1956 June	2,365	1,412	1,270	319	1,606	71	5,395	1,608	7,003
1956 December	4,365	3,593	2,118	978	2,126	97	11,141	2,136	13,277
1957 January	4,191	3,493	4,083	703	2,244	88	12,699	2,103	14,802
February	4,336	2,677	4,218	462	1,930	71	11,498	2,196	13,694
March	4,322	2,771	3,802	481	1,607	94	10,702	2,375	13,077
April	5,244	3,772	3,876	631	1,804	126	12,665	2,788	15,453
May	5,385	4,057	3,009	835	1,803	236	12,397	2,928	15,325
June	6,242	5,073	2,851	1,054	2,441	410	14,324	3,747	18,071
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	2,119	695	14,948	4,026	18,974
October	6,463	4,661	2,585	1,242	2,075	662	13,859	3,829	17,688
November	7,029	4,390	4,484	1,420	1,865	594	15,594	3,168	18,762

(a) Last Saturday of Month. (b) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes Northern Territory. (d) From May, 1951 to September, 1952, the figures represent the number of persons on the cash sheet. (e) From October, 1952, the figures represent the number actually on benefit. * Revised.