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POPULATION AND VITAL STATISTICS.

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Section 1.—Population and Vital Statistics.

AREA AND POPULATION.

State or Territory.	Area—Square Miles.	Population (Excluding full-blood Aborigines).						Capital Cities, Estimated 31st Dec., 1953.
		Census—30th June, 1947.			Estimated—31st March, 1954.			
		Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	
N.S.W.	309,433	1,492,211	1,492,627	2,984,838	1,752,911	1,729,168	3,482,079	1,624,470
Victoria	87,884	1,013,967	1,040,834	2,054,701	1,228,427	1,202,423	2,430,850	1,436,500
Q'land	670,500	567,471	538,944	1,106,415	647,326	627,447	1,274,773	484,000
S. Aust.	380,070	320,031	326,042	646,073	383,109	387,817	770,926	469,000
W. Aust.	975,920	258,076	244,404	502,480	328,735	308,694	637,429	358,000
Tasmania	26,215	129,244	127,834	257,078	165,672	162,079	317,751	(a) 83,480
N. Terr.	523,620	7,378	3,490	10,868	10,168	7,053	17,241	8,590
A.C.T.	939	9,092	7,813	16,905	18,613	12,779	31,292	29,250
Australia	2,974,581	3,797,370	3,781,988	7,579,358	4,534,881	4,427,400	8,962,281	..

(a) As at 30th June, 1953.

ESTIMATED POPULATION, EXCLUDING FULL-BLOOD ABORIGINES.

Year	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Nor. Terr.	A.C.T.	Australia.
AT 30th JUNE.									
1939	2,748,393	1,878,480	1,015,007	598,563	470,044	237,419	8,281	12,867	9,967,754
1950	3,225,542	2,202,670	1,191,245	700,237	557,918	279,366	15,351	20,772	11,168,841
1951	3,317,182	2,259,291	1,211,219	720,040	581,468	290,638	16,422	24,862	11,831,391
1952	3,398,137	2,334,475	1,238,423	738,483	601,246	302,111	16,478	26,781	12,018,639
1953	3,442,432	2,364,111	1,265,571	757,159	622,202	311,060	17,068	29,933	12,229,465

AT 31st DECEMBER.

Year	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Nor. Terr.	A.C.T.	Australia.
1938	2,737,191	1,871,099	1,005,523	595,842	466,884	242,119	6,750	11,721	9,935,900
1950	3,178,026	2,231,256	1,191,245	712,010	573,671	294,397	16,132	(a) 20,654	11,151,791
1951	3,258,760	2,291,354	1,216,905	728,558	591,602	307,014	15,227	25,036	11,836,734
1952	3,321,488	2,356,823	1,247,900	751,535	614,485	315,955	15,884	26,881	12,022,616
1953	3,472,294	2,400,295	1,270,381	765,520	637,531	322,912	16,946	30,983	12,237,763

(a) Revised A.C.T. estimates for 1950 based on Census of Canberra, 14th-16th September, 1951, are as follows:—June, 23,867 and December, 23,629.

ESTIMATED MEAN POPULATION, EXCLUDING FULL-BLOOD ABORIGINES.

Year	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Nor. Terr.	A.C.T.	Australia.
YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE.									
1939	2,735,400	1,872,287	1,008,207	595,131	466,896	237,637	5,932	11,985	9,933,455
1950	3,171,940	2,170,289	1,163,094	686,820	545,796	277,355	14,247	20,025	11,049,801
1951	3,274,107	2,236,708	1,192,907	711,977	571,549	287,590	15,940	(a) 22,000	11,811,303
1952	3,355,988	2,301,542	1,221,047	729,513	591,158	298,567	16,045	25,699	11,839,467
1953	3,420,171	2,362,440	1,244,823	749,500	612,775	308,921	16,353	27,428	11,947,376

YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER.

Year	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Nor. Terr.	A.C.T.	Australia.
1938	2,722,378	1,865,251	1,001,906	593,242	463,808	236,329	5,804	11,534	9,900,341
1950	3,224,892	2,203,786	1,178,817	700,184	558,706	282,269	14,247	(a) 20,025	11,151,791
1951	3,318,806	2,260,025	1,207,945	720,444	581,459	292,939	15,992	(a) 22,000	11,831,391
1952	3,390,472	2,334,590	1,234,828	739,549	602,026	304,172	16,101	26,955	11,839,467
1953	3,445,165	2,385,011	1,261,435	757,765	622,697	313,196	16,747	29,712	12,018,639

(a) Revised A.C.T. estimates based on Census of Canberra, 14th-16th September, 1951, are as follows:—Year ended 30th June, 1950, 22,607; 1951, 24,063; year ended 31st December, 1950, 23,588; 1951, 24,093.

INCREASE OF POPULATION.

(a) From 1st July, 1947, to 31st December, 1950, no allowance was made for a large unrecorded net inward movement by road into the Australian Capital Territory. From 1st January, 1951, allowance has been made for this movement and the net migration for year ended 31st December, 1951, includes an adjustment retrospective to 1st July, 1947.

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes excess of departures over arrivals.

POPULATION AND AREA

POPULATION AND VITAL STATISTICS—SUMMARY, AUSTRALIA

(a) Excess of births over deaths.	17,867	49,770	20,225	30,535	20,200	37,383	8,877,023
over civilian deaths only.			17,366	32,443	12,175	44,518	8,917,765
(b) Excess of arrivals over departures.							8,902,298
(c) Includes natural increase and net migration together with adjustments for deaths of defence personnel and unrecorded movement of population disclosed by the Census of 30th June, 1947.							

MARRIAGE, BIRTHS AND DEATHS

QUARTER ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1954.

YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1953.

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MARRIAGES—NUMBER

DIVORCES (INCLUDING NULLITIES OF MARRIAGE).—Australia—1938, 3,100; 1950, 7,414; 1951, 7,320; 1952, 7,095; 1953, New South Wales, 3,746; Victoria, 2,127; Queensland, 730; South Australia, 636; Western Australia, 539; Tasmania, 210; Northern Territory, 12; Australian Capital Territory, 31; Australia, 8,031.

POPULATION AND VITAL STATISTICS.

Marriages, Births and Deaths—continued.

State or Territory.	1938.	1951.	1952.	1953.	Quarter ended 31st March.	
					1953.	1954.
MARRIAGE RATES—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.						
New South Wales ..	9.03	9.14	8.66	8.00	(a) 8.13	(a) 8.22
Victoria ..	9.17	9.31	8.66	8.07	7.54	7.77
Queensland..	8.84	8.96	8.14	7.82	7.03	7.08
South Australia ..	9.25	9.23	8.44	8.11	8.65	8.48
Western Australia ..	8.86	9.27	8.95	8.08	8.47	8.88
Tasmania ..	8.81	8.90	8.39	7.74	7.46	7.71
Northern Territory ..	11.54	8.94	8.51	9.20	7.48	8.89
Australian Capital Territory..	6.50	9.84	8.33	7.10	5.43	9.89
Australia ..	9.04	9.17	8.68	8.00	7.93	7.99

BIRTHS—NUMBER.						
New South Wales	47,319	72,069	74,196	74,890	19,056	18,123
Victoria ..	30,344	50,533	53,738	53,661	13,524	13,635
Queensland ..	18,992	29,652	30,053	30,782	7,857	7,806
South Australia	9,410	17,463	17,884	18,156	4,495	4,087
Western Australia	9,141	14,794	15,413	15,862	4,005	3,748
Tasmania ..	4,907	7,357	7,916	7,736	1,911	1,939
Northern Territory	102	407	448	460	114	142
Australian Capital Territory ..	200	1,003	1,102	788	207	227
Australia	120,415	193,298	201,650	202,235	51,469	49,709

	BIRTH RATES—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.					
	1950		1951		1952	
	1950	1951	1950	1951	1952	1953
New South Wales	17.38	21.72	21.88	21.74	(a) 22.23	(a) 20.86
Victoria	16.27	22.28	23.02	22.46	23.30	22.56
Queensland	18.95	24.56	25.07	24.40	25.13	24.54
South Australia	15.86	24.25	24.18	23.96	23.87	21.28
Western Australia	19.71	25.44	25.60	25.47	26.00	23.59
Tasmania	20.76	25.11	26.02	24.70	24.37	24.22
Northern Territory	17.57	25.45	27.82	27.47	28.41	33.23
Australian Capital Territory	(b)17.34	(b)41.11	(b)40.82	(b)26.52	(b)28.80	(b)29.16
Australia	17.45	22.93	23.32	22.90	23.46	22.24

DEATHS—NUMBER.						
New South Wales	26,105	31,932	32,038	31,707	6,858	6,863
Victoria	18,955	23,446	23,322	22,650	4,764	4,804
Queensland	9,201	11,105	11,171	11,006	2,318	2,429
Western Australia	5,339	7,184	7,050	6,962	1,431	1,476
Tasmania	4,334	5,288	5,209	5,072	1,114	1,163
Northern Territory	2,288	2,567	2,579	2,501	597	588
Australian Capital Territory..	60	117	80	116	31	18
Australia	60,451	81,788	81,597	80,188	17,142	17,366

(a) Equivalent annual rates.

(a) Equivalent annual rates. (b) As in the States and the Northern Territory, the rates above are based on birth registrations. Rates based on the number of births to mothers resident in the Australian Capital Territory are as follows:—1953, 15.43; 1951, 25.82; 1952, 20.70; 1953, 22.66; 1954, 22.56. In Queensland and New South Wales, rates registered in Canberra for the years shown above included many mothers from Queensland and surrounding areas.

POPULATION AND VITAL STATISTICS.

Marriages, Births and Deaths—continued.

State or Territory.	1938.	1951.	1952.	1953.	Quarter ended 31st March.	
					1953.	1954.
DEATH RATES—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.						
New South Wales	9.50	9.62	9.45	9.20	(a) 8.09	(a) 7.88
Victoria	10.14	10.33	9.99	9.60	8.05	7.95
Queensland	9.18	9.30	9.05	8.72	7.42	7.83
South Australia	9.34	9.08	9.53	9.19	7.60	7.69
Western Australia	9.15	9.09	8.65	8.15	7.23	7.32
Tasmania	9.68	8.76	8.49	8.15	7.41	7.34
Northern Territory	11.89	7.32	5.53	6.93	7.72	4.21
Australian Capital Territory	5.20	6.11	5.15	4.17	4.03	4.50
Australia	9.83	9.70	9.43	9.08	7.81	7.77

DEATH UNDER ONE YEAR OF AGE.							
New South Wales	..	1,980	1,895	1,818	1,845	427	442
Victoria	..	1,038	1,143	1,198	1,183	263	242
Queensland	..	784	781	772	769	205	187
South Australia	..	428	413	412	375	92	92
Western Australia	..	399	425	384	378	103	92
Tasmania	..	198	196	172	177	41	37
Northern Territory	..	6	18	14	18	7	1
Australian Capital Territory	..	8	12	26	17	3	1
Australia	..	4,607	4,878	4,797	4,712	1,141	1,075

INFANT MORTALITY—RATE PER 1,000 LIVE BIRTHS.						
	1938.	1951.	1952.	1953.	1954.	1955.
New South Wales	41.84	26.29	24.50	24.61	22.41	24.39
Victoria	34.21	32.61	32.59	31.15	19.02	17.75
Queensland	41.28	25.66	24.94	24.96	26.09	23.95
South Australia	30.50	24.51	23.09	20.85	20.47	22.81
Western Australia	33.80	28.73	24.91	23.83	25.72	19.74
Tasmania	39.74	26.64	21.73	22.88	21.45	19.08
Northern Territory	88.82	44.23	31.25	39.13	61.40	7.04
Australian Capital Territory	40.00	11.96	23.69	21.57	14.49	...
Australia	38.59	25.24	23.79	23.30	22.17	21.63

(c) Equivalent annual rates.

MIGRATION—AUSTRALIA.

Figures to 30th June, 1933, have been adjusted in accordance with the results of the 1933 Census. Figures from 1st July, 1933, are as recorded.

Period.	Total Arrivals.			Total Departures.			Excess of Arrivals over Departures.
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	
1921-25...	299,895	168,357	478,052	172,236	122,170	294,786	183,266
1926-30...	266,593	203,867	470,460	188,774	147,437	340,773	129,707
1931-35...	124,207	115,110	239,317	171,383	110,328	281,209	-10,886
1936-40(c)	161,774	169,538	331,312	140,901	137,283	278,184	43,128
1941-45(c)	35,422	28,393	63,815	30,097	28,019	58,116	7,699
1946-50(c)	398,507	303,413	701,920	180,779	168,037	348,836	353,084
1938...	39,910	38,018	77,928	34,206	34,685	68,791	9,137
1939...	132,448	1,048	233,135	42,705	40,429	83,134	150,001
1950...	141,891	108,513	250,404	49,907	47,992	97,899	152,505
1951...	122,136	91,504	213,640	54,321	47,066	102,207	111,433
1952...	127,516	88,323	215,839	68,937	62,870	121,807	94,032
1953...	88,584	74,341	162,925	68,483	51,745	120,228	42,697
Quarter ended 31st March—	24,318	20,863	45,181	20,348	15,919	36,267	8,932
1954...	26,333	21,806	48,139	19,770	16,194	35,964	12,175

(c) Excludes troop movements September, 1939, to June, 1941.
NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes excess of departures over arrivals.

MIGRATION—AUSTRALIA—continued.

Permanent New Arrivals and Australian Residents Departing Permanently
Classified according to Nationality.

Nationality.	Permanent New Arrivals (a)			Australian Residents Departing Permanently (a)		
	1953.	Quarter ended March—		1953.	Quarter ended March—	
		1953.	1954.		1953.	1954.
British(b)	34,862	10,197	10,332	27,078	7,231	8,027
Foreign—						
American (U.S.)	1,036	284	319	554	150	194
Austrian	313	93	324	54	16	16
Belgian	53	13	17	14	7	2
Chinese	454	196	174	124	27	48
Czechoslovak	62	24	19	60	14	6
Danish	79	22	26	58	14	13
Dutch	9,374	3,623	2,074	727	212	194
Estonian	25	7	1	16	3	20
French	273	85	108	247	70	53
German	7,024	1,290	2,742	393	38	104
Greek	2,952	419	1,520	147	40	39
Hungarian	70	21	11	48	4	23
Israeli	239	45	155	11	2	4
Italian	12,904	3,941	3,426	1,665	494	378
Japanese	312	66	51	2	5	5
Latvian	58	25	13	37	4	25
Lebanese	91	13	58	30	12	7
Lithuanian	17	5	5	42	7	15
Norwegian	52	12	7	71	27	35
Polish(c)	236	128	36	104	29	44
Russian(d)	472	103	81	68	14	19
Swedish	56	22	14	34	16	7
Swiss	180	28	29	95	21	24
Ukrainian	47	20	1	17	1	12
Yugoslav	564	68	210	65	14	25
Stateless	805	219	1,089	125	26	35
Other	505	159	174	137	37	46
Total	74,915	21,464	23,985	32,032	8,531	9,410

(a) "Permanent" means residence for one year or longer (in Australia in the case of arrivals; abroad in the case of departures) except in the case of Australian troops, who are classified as "temporary" irrespective of their length of stay. (b) "Irish" nationality has been combined with "British" for the purpose of this table. (c) Includes "Stateless" who were formerly Polish. (d) Includes "Stateless" who were formerly Russian.

Permanent New Arrivals and Australian Residents Departing Permanently
Classified according to Racial Origin.

Racial Origin.	Permanent New Arrivals (a)			Australian Residents Departing Permanently (a)		
	1952.	Quarter ended March—		1953.	Quarter ended March—	
		1952.	1954.		1953.	1954.
European	72,801	20,400	23,123	31,549	8,398	9,200
Asian	2,057	972	811	464	129	192
African	13	9	2	4	1	2
Polynesian	44	23	49	15	3	7
Total	74,915	21,464	23,985	32,032	8,531	9,410

(a) See note (a) above.

MIGRATION—AUSTRALIA—continued.

Permanent Arrivals and Departures classified according to the Country of Last Permanent Residence or Country of Future Permanent Residence.

Country of Last Permanent Residence of Arrivals and Country of Future Permanent Residence of Departures(a)	Permanent New Arrivals.			Australian Residents Departing Permanently.		
	1953.	Quarter ended March—		1953.	Quarter ended March—	
		1953.	1954.		1953.	1954.
British—						
United Kingdom and						
Republic of Ireland ..	25,767	7,583	6,872	14,282	3,853	4,256
Canada	386	109	137	773	197	385
Cyprus	165	18	87	88	13	32
India, Ceylon and Pakistan	821	320	224	462	135	147
Malta	1,419	221	843	386	141	53
New Guinea	534	208	234	1,845	452	585
New Zealand	1,817	457	654	4,528	1,221	1,028
Papua	276	93	117	938	210	320
Union of South Africa ..	2,2	113	96	279	68	69
Other	2,305	948	839	1,716	451	523
Total, British Countries	33,772	10,070	10,103	25,295	6,744	7,302
Foreign—						
Austria	384	97	321	41	16	10
France	316	67	104	350	97	128
Germany	8,254	1,065	2,799	325	36	93
Greece	2,676	365	1,537	139	41	40
Italy	14,677	4,32	3,602	2,485	720	738
Netherlands	9,227	3,085	2,932	596	194	158
Poland	43	25	1	2	..	..
Yugoslavia	476	77	159	34	4	8
Other European(b) ..	744	178	1,090	367	94	109
China	562	127	97	36	4	31
Indonesia	230	69	104	153	52	35
Egypt	727	150	217	85	19	22
United States of America ..	1,421	361	400	1,384	323	456
Polynesian Islands ..	133	49	53	219	55	48
Other	1,253	308	416	521	132	144
Total, Foreign Countries	41,143	11,394	13,882	6,737	1,767	2,018
GRAND TOTAL ..	74,915	21,464	23,985	32,032	8,531	9,410

(a) "Permanent" residence means residence of one year or longer except in the case of Australian troops, who are included under "Australia" (see following table) both as regards country of future permanent residence and country of last permanent residence. (b) Includes unspecified European countries.

MIGRATION—AUSTRALIA—continued.

Temporary Arrivals and Departures classified according to the Country of Last Permanent Residence or Country of Future Permanent Residence.

Country of Last Permanent Residence of Arrivals and Country of Future Permanent Residence of Departures (a)	Australian Residents Returning and Temporary Visitors Arriving.			Australian Residents Departing Temporarily and Temporary Visitors Departing.		
	Quarter ended March—			Quarter ended March—		
	1953.	1953.	1954.	1953.	1953.	1954.
Australia	42,685	10,601	10,645	39,946	13,439	13,707
Other British—						
United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland ..	8,909	2,680	2,447	7,717	2,038	2,679
Canada	397	146	160	503	193	176
India, Ceylon and Pakistan ..	1,413	399	368	1,016	320	305
New Guinea	2,643	698	906	2,308	648	714
New Zealand	16,523	4,408	4,310	20,533	5,741	4,558
Papua	2,123	614	801	1,561	441	695
Union of South Africa ..	568	223	157	547	207	118
Other	4,629	1,480	1,655	5,033	1,467	1,194
Total, Other British Countries	37,309	10,600	10,710	39,258	11,653	10,439
Foreign—						
France	291	75	93	403	133	101
Germany	190	40	64	181	47	45
Greece	23	7	17	46	14	5
Italy	203	81	45	393	134	81
Netherlands	359	96	80	409	120	128
Yugoslavia	23	4	11	12	4	4
Other European	719	170	145	542	170	153
China	129	25	19	51	7	12
Indonesia	443	113	119	439	148	125
Egypt	77	21	16	71	10	19
United States of America ..	2,876	777	1,048	3,295	920	1,036
Polynesian Islands	1,102	277	488	1,134	299	371
Other	1,866	514	654	2,016	642	328
Total, Foreign Countries ..	8,303	2,174	2,799	8,092	2,644	2,408
GRAND TOTAL	88,210	23,435	24,154	88,196	27,736	26,554

(a) "Permanent" residence means residence of one year or longer except in the case of Australian troops, who are included under "Australia" both as regards country of future permanent residence and country of last permanent residence.

PRODUCTION.

Section II.—Production.

PRINCIPAL CROPS—AUSTRALIA.

WHEAT FOR GRAIN: AREA, PRODUCTION, AND AVERAGE YIELD.

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Australia.
AREA.								
('000 Acres.)								
1938-39 ..	4,651	2,748	442	3,080	5,418	10	2	14,846
1949-50 ..	4,012	2,828	600	1,896	2,984	6	4	12,340
1950-51 ..	3,329	2,735	559	1,844	3,185	6	2	11,663
1951-52 ..	2,753	2,464	454	1,613	2,983	4	1	10,284
1952-53 ..	2,793	2,251	724	1,444	2,949	7	1	10,209
1953-54(a) ..	3,470	2,400	500	1,510	2,830	10	1	10,691

PRODUCTION.								
('000 Hushels.)								
1938-39 ..	59,698	18,104	8,584	31,075	36,844	205	59	155,569
1949-50 ..	81,939	57,434	11,778	28,351	38,600	127	92	218,221
1950-51 ..	43,273	51,238	8,785	30,916	40,900	95	19	184,244
1951-52 ..	39,889	46,852	27,301	40,000	44,000	94	14	159,725
1952-53 ..	56,070	51,331	18,662	39,910	35,414	118	8	165,208
1953-54(a) ..	65,000	54,000	9,900	30,000	40,000	200	15	199,015

AVERAGE YIELD PER ACRE.								
(Bushels.)								
1938-39 ..	12.88	6.59	19.42	10.38	10.79	20.84	28.74	10.88
1949-50 ..	20.42	20.31	19.83	14.95	13.30	23.26	20.55	17.88
1950-51 ..	13.00	18.72	15.72	16.74	15.67	17.84	10.10	16.30
1951-52 ..	14.42	18.67	14.59	16.22	15.23	26.10	13.97	15.38
1952-53 ..	20.97	22.55	25.76	21.97	11.92	23.39	12.75	19.12
1953-54(a) ..	18.70	22.50	19.50	19.99	14.30	20.00	15.00	18.00

TOTAL AREA OF WHEAT GROWN FOR ALL PURPOSES.

('000 Acres.)								
Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Australia.
1938-39 ..	6,223	3,083	499	3,344	5,613	14	2	15,728
1949-50 ..	4,174	2,867	609	2,006	2,984	9	5	12,714
1950-51 ..	3,442	2,771	616	1,950	3,255	9	2	12,045
1951-52 ..	2,980	2,499	551	1,648	3,163	7	1	10,839
1952-53 ..	2,486	2,245	729	1,601	3,078	13	1	10,571
1953-54(a) ..	2,730	2,465	820	1,596	2,895	11	1	11,226

OTHER PRINCIPAL CROPS.

Season.	Grain.			Potatoes.	Hay.	Sugar-cane.		Total Area of Crops.
	Oats.	Barley.	Maize.			Cut for crushing.	Cane Sugar ('04 N.T.)	

AREA.								
('000 Acres.)								
1938-39 ..	1,784	745	324	98	3,250	262	..	23,496
1949-50 ..	1,748	1,040	194	134	1,605	281	..	20,601
1950-51 ..	1,757	1,079	169	127	1,877	272	..	19,917
1951-52 ..	2,385	1,118	170	118	1,549	282	..	19,808
1952-53 ..	2,214	1,277	174	145	1,781	280	..	20,371
1953-54(a) ..	2,500	1,600	(c)	(c)	(c)	383	..	(d)

PRODUCTION.								
('000 Bushels.)								
1938-39 ..	15,555	10,831	7,057	274	3,321	5,679	820	..
1949-50 ..	27,391	19,543	5,996	471	2,430	6,849	937	..
1950-51 ..	35,128	22,871	4,729	419	2,063	7,052	921	..
1951-52 ..	34,506	21,909	4,018	592	2,345	6,337	745	..
1952-53 ..	43,823	35,045	4,807	431	2,765	6,867	849	..
1953-54(a) ..	34,000	41,000	3,500	(c)	(c)	9,062	1,254	..

(a) Subject to revision.

(b) Farmers' intentions at or about time of sowing.

(c) Not yet available.

(d) Not yet available.

NUMBER OF PRINCIPAL LIVESTOCK. ('000.)

March.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	N. Terr. (a)	A.C.T.	Australia
HORSES.									
1939	581	844	(a) 445	(a) 196	(a) 144	(a) 50	33	1	1,734
1949	358	213	325	84	69	22	33	1	1,115
1950	313	200	317	83	59	21	33	1	1,057
1951	329	187	307	71	55	20	29	1	999
1952	311	169	289	63	53	19	32	1	927
1953	298	154	282	57	50	18	35	1	885

CATTLE-BEEF.

1949	1,994	711	4,059	182	634	111	1,053	7	8,181
1950	2,167	706	4,872	183	638	117	1,045	8	9,750
1951	2,467	727	5,294	186	618	115	1,018	8	10,426
1952	2,416	776	5,137	201	621	111	1,058	7	10,927
1953	2,405	820	5,378	221	612	113	936	6	10,501

CATTLE-DAIRY.

1949	1,259	1,514	1,423	279	230	165	..	3	4,463
1950	1,278	1,525	1,433	271	227	158	..	3	4,593
1951	1,246	1,489	1,443	245	223	157	..	3	4,383
1952	1,326	1,489	1,297	226	231	155	..	3	4,288
1953	1,244	1,477	1,373	252	234	152	..	4	4,746

CATTLE-TOTAL.

1939	2,815	1,697	(a) 4,097	(a) 519	(a) 768	(a) 282	900	7	12,685
1949	3,258	2,225	5,992	461	864	266	1,853	10	14,136
1950	3,449	2,231	6,305	464	865	275	1,649	11	14,909
1951	3,708	2,218	6,734	433	841	272	1,019	11	15,229
1952	3,621	2,215	6,484	437	862	265	1,058	10	14,988
1953	3,649	2,297	6,751	483	846	275	936	10	15,297

SHEEP.

1939	48,577	17,007	(a) 23,159	(a) 9,917	(a) 9,177	(a) 2,626	30	246	111,056
1949	50,494	19,170	16,499	9,366	10,872	2,160	28	238	108,726
1950	52,998	19,161	17,892	9,477	10,923	2,170	26	234	112,891
1951	54,111	20,012	17,478	10,160	11,362	2,191	29	257	115,596
1952	53,676	21,537	18,164	11,470	12,198	2,358	31	248	117,667
1953	57,461	21,368	17,030	12,336	12,475	2,421	24	247	123,972

PIGS.

1939	377	253	(a) 325	(a) 71	(a) 83	(a) 45	1	1	1,156
1949	375	224	407	71	90	37	1	1	1,196
1950	388	213	391	69	79	36	1	1	1,123
1951	317	237	375	68	90	45	1	1	1,134
1952	299	214	316	66	86	47	1	..	1,022
1953	280	183	336	59	78	39	1	..	993

(a) December, previous year.

PRODUCTION OF WOOL (AS IN THE GREASE). ('000 lb.)

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	N. Terr. (a)	A.C.T.	Australia.
1938-39	437,141	165,829	179,459	102,888	78,802	17,519	35	1,909	983,582
1948-49	493,298	264,090	156,858	114,905	96,429	16,448	305	1,977	1,057,405
1949-50	515,043	252,243	162,516	121,546	98,269	16,868	230	2,123	1,141,930
1950-51	492,330	214,266	154,667	125,344	107,341	17,550	235	2,266	1,117,888
1951-52	437,837	224,908	138,787	135,484	120,401	20,513	252	1,765	1,070,977
1952-53	356,592	252,193	163,119	134,656	126,148	19,807	232	2,248	1,261,088

(a) Estimated.

(b) For year ended 31st December, 1953.

NOTE.—Total wool production in the 1953-54 season is at present estimated at 1,344,000,000 lb. (as in the grease).

PRODUCTION OF MILK AND MILK PRODUCTS.

Period.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australian Capital Territory.	Australia. (a)
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WHOLE MILK FOR ALL PURPOSES. ('000 gal.)

1938-39	811,554	277,381	247,530	74,221	45,582	84,160	550	1,189,174
1948-49	291,915	622,440	277,182	91,319	50,612	20,541	659	1,212,041
1949-50	311,549	469,253	281,125	89,248	49,474	40,248	694	1,241,759
1950-51	388,189	455,671	278,111	83,645	52,407	41,136	687	1,199,738
1951-52	241,299	446,413	191,148	65,682	68,927	49,100	593	1,081,267
1952-53	217,398	426,417	285,787	86,519	48,598	44,598	608	1,216,595
Nine months ended—								
March, 1953	244,422	385,253	216,081	71,228	42,173	39,892	518	1,010,467
March, 1954(b)	222,165	408,471	199,991	65,538	42,692	44,996	628	887,720

BUTTER (Factory and Farm). (Tons.)

1938-39	53,048	58,291	70,909	8,549	7,364	4,384	8	208,596
1948-49	55,175	61,137	47,781	9,290	7,232	3,299	6	186,890
1949-50	54,842	64,871	48,788	8,767	7,908	3,825	6	172,669
1950-51	55,130	55,646	47,811	7,769	7,009	4,073	5	163,964
1951-52	53,342	60,342	28,211	8,181	6,860	6,507	6	135,319
1952-53	38,875	58,178	49,126	7,992	6,643	6,372	5	167,491
Nine months ended—								
March, 1953	30,322	52,647	37,220	4,573	5,905	5,712	..	137,681
March, 1954(b)	24,648	4,862	33,587	4,167	5,487	6,485	..	122,337

CHEESE (Factory and Farm). (Tons.)

1938-39	3,548	6,729	7,699	2,298	486	1,816	..	22,566
1948-49	2,492	18,376	9,394	11,654	876	410	..	49,203
1949-50	2,827	21,252	9,957	10,247	707	121	..	47,386
1950-51	2,900	22,678	8,678	8,892	781	411	..	64,210
1951-52	1,905	22,255	4,700	10,615	825	408	..	41,396
1952-53	3,105	22,355	9,439	10,454	898	294	..	45,686
Nine months ended—								
March, 1953	2,756	21,041	7,384	9,682	773	261	..	41,980
March, 1954(b)	2,636	24,098	5,506	10,125	1,095	260	..	43,680

CONDENSED, POWDERED, ETC., MILK PRODUCTS: AUSTRALIA.

Period.	Full Cream Milk Products.				Milk By-Products.			
	Condensed Milk (Sweetened and Unsweetened).	Concentrated Whole Milk (d).	Powdered Full Cream Milk.	Infants' and Invalids' Foods (e)	Total Whole Milk Equivalent of Full Cream Milk Products.	Powdered Skim Milk.	Powdered Butter-milk and Whey.	
	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	'000 gals. (f)	Tons. (h)	Tons. (i)	Tons.
1938-39	15,519	1,659	10,712	1,259	33,367	6,116	5,556	
1948-49	47,773	13,177	14,768	16,104	87,853	6,553	2,019	
1949-50	49,767	12,270	22,539	10,331	89,585	9,323	2,293	
1950-51	50,597	18,351	17,594	12,100	84,526	6,583	3,192	
1951-52	52,467	18,743	15,121	12,066	76,324	10,087	2,853	
1952-53	55,489	18,046	21,780	9,967	83,625	15,151	3,996	
Nine months ended—								
March, 1953	50,622	11,749	19,019	7,884	75,026	13,753	5,729	
March, 1954	37,250	15,707	16,202	9,813	63,859	17,498	4,100	

(a) Excludes Northern Territory.

(b) Subject to revision.

(c) Principally for use in ice-cream manufacture.

(d) Sterilized milk and milk sugar only.

(e) Includes whey.

(f) Includes full cream milk.

(g) Excludes farm production.

(h) Includes milk and milk sugar.

(i) Includes with Powdered Full Cream Milk.

PRODUCTION OF MEAT (BONE-IN WEIGHT).

(Tons.)

Period.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	N. Terr.	A.C.T.	Australia
BEEF (Incl'd in Veal).									
1938-39	172,001	113,954	202,007	54,731	27,783	10,948	2,235	572	559,210
1944-45	180,339	118,916	202,514	29,560	32,761	9,791	3,382	1,035	577,336
1949-50	185,398	124,699	211,196	32,615	35,357	12,271	3,271	1,812	606,522
1950-51	182,780	136,034	232,398	26,372	33,009	11,103	3,361	1,716	581,513
1951-52	184,271	137,941	217,098	31,091	32,194	14,390	3,395	1,808	581,888
1952-53	217,320	125,645	255,495	31,100	31,810	13,842	3,175	1,464	674,649
Nine months ended—									
March, 1953	158,106	90,555	170,908	22,220	21,195	10,466	2,458	1,122	477,190
March, 1954(a)	162,391	101,455	179,261	26,230	25,197	12,701	2,451	1,098	507,874

MUTTON.

1938-39	72,131	77,445	14,850	18,495	11,862	4,904	8	358	205,748
1944-45	59,870	81,763	16,492	21,314	16,625	4,310	5	904	181,270
1949-50	61,018	81,370	16,754	23,388	15,553	4,819	57	710	201,839
1950-51	52,484	56,045	12,487	21,072	14,784	4,813	27	620	181,839
1951-52	56,329	61,756	11,962	20,161	16,066	4,782	34	848	175,530
1952-53	72,455	94,130	18,572	33,680	23,020	5,054	62	534	249,907
Nine months ended—									
March, 1953	52,971	77,061	13,917	25,167	18,729	4,112	63	597	192,617
March, 1954(a)	55,196	68,411	13,410	24, 98	14,229	4,494	56	630	178,724

LAMB.

1938-39	25,535	56,065	1,360	15,357	7,852	2,323	—	84	114,549
1944-45	54,468	52,975	1,748	18,138	8,247	3,255	—	292	119,118
1949-50	55,797	68,964	1,448	16,523	6,828	4,107	—	339	121,264
1950-51	39,069	47,007	1,100	12,900	7,174	5,448	—	300	112,420
1951-52	37,747	44,227	1,338	11,059	7,600	4,243	—	312	106,526
1952-53	53,276	58,900	1,799	17,824	8,888	5,002	—	390	146,083
Nine months ended—									
March, 1953	41,682	60,888	1,284	15,591	7,937	3,717	—	285	121,244
March, 1954(a)	36,127	59,964	1,356	14,008	7,201	3,660	—	297	102,645

PORK.

1938-39	9,017	10,709	11,414	2,017	1,199	1,623	8	48	37,083
1944-45	9,431	8,623	12,814	2,358	2,619	1,442	27	56	37,340
1949-50	10,295	8,615	12,911	2,999	1,793	1,938	42	90	37,340
1950-51	9,907	7,596	11,751	2,771	2,110	1,999	61	150	35,257
1951-52	10,492	8,716	8,904	2,551	2,550	1,881	70	170	35,257
1952-53	9,611	9,925	6,548	2,836	2,436	1,920	60	132	30,688
Nine months ended—									
March, 1953	6,990	5,245	4,692	2,174	1,969	1,554	46	102	22,723
March, 1954(a)	10,382	6,729	5,274	1,787	1,488	1,182	55	99	25,956

BACON AND HAM (Cured weight).

1938-39	11,781	7,875	8,492	2,675	1,804	1,015	—	—	37,538
1944-45	13,302	10,291	9,412	3,788	3,766	1,122	—	—	41,584
1949-50	12,855	9,779	10,018	3,318	3,548	991	—	—	41,603
1950-51	12,629	7,901	8,761	3,012	3,534	916	—	—	36,744
1951-52	12,514	8,994	7,990	2,969	3,653	890	—	—	36,744
1952-53	13,228	8,165	9,510	3,063	3,603	886	—	—	36,744
Nine months ended—									
March, 1953	10,238	6,274	6,803	2,380	2,867	663	—	—	29,349
March, 1954(a)	8,617	5,262	7,552	2,291	2,657	750	—	—	27,329

TOTAL IN TERMS OF FRESH MEAT.

1938-39	299,975	271,810	552,945	81,820	53,860	20,431	2,216	1,055	966,892
1944-45	322,560	255,575	246,012	76,512	65,302	20,316	3,392	1,977	901,938
1949-50	333,260	282,807	255,705	70,049	64,417	23,753	3,371	2,451	1,034,833
1950-51	311,700	258,072	269,681	77,200	62,478	25,511	3,060	2,747	1,111,132
1951-52	305,728	267,159	211,066	68,992	63,411	27,471	3,560	2,668	1,051,821
1952-53	370,652	394,702	225,349	89,565	71,776	27,624	3,317	2,826	1,151,831
Nine months ended—									
March, 1953	278,663	232,081	200,270	65,500	57,709	20,725	2,567	2,106	853,623
March, 1954(a)	274,567	222,715	200,571	69,440	61,718	19,113	2,692	2,124	851,865

(a) Subject to revision. (b) Includes pressed and cooked bacon and ham converted to bone-in weight.

MINING AND QUARRYING—VALUE OF OUTPUT (a).

('000.)

Industry and Year.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	N. Terr.	Aust.
1952.								
Metal Mining—								
Gold Mining	401	1,155	(b)	(b)	e 11,497	..	681	d/13,974
Silver-Lead Zinc Mining	23,982	..	(b)	(b)	..	..	..	d/37,396
Copper-Gold Mining	180	..	(b)	..	(b)	(b)	(b)	d/4,004
Tin Mining	152	..	152	..	1,402	(b)(c)	230	d/2,045
Other Metal Mining	1,394	(c)	859	(b)	864	(b)	..	d/8,325
Total Metal Mining	29,885	1,155	d/11,078	d/38,100	d/13,688	d/7,902	d/976	65,744
Fuel Mining—								
Black Coal Mining	43,283	729	5,956	(b)	2,105	(b)	..	d/53,142
Brown Coal Mining	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3,255
Total Fuel Mining	43,283	729	5,956	(b)	2,105	(b)	..	d/56,397
Non-Metal Mining and Construction Material								
Quarrying	5,496	d/3,553	(c) 965	(b)	e/1,377	(b)	(c) 22	(c) 14,199
Total All Mining and Quarrying	77,164	(c) 8,491	e/17,429	d/46,938	e/16,570	d/38,750	(c) 996	c/136,340

1951(f) 67,877 6,940 10,922 4,938 13,474 10,552 (g) 114,712
 1950(f) 46,102 7,059 4,428 12,037 7,049 (g) 85,719
 1949(f) 35,295 4,215 7,096 3,119 9,796 4,825 (g) 64,152
 1948(f) 32,870 3,462 6,543 3,757 8,681 4,360 (g) 58,372
 1939(f) 12,914 2,789 3,438 3,648 12,496 2,145 (g) 37,430

(a) Selling value at point of sale of mine or quarry product less transport costs from mine or quarry to point of sale (i.e. value of output at mine or quarry) in 1952. For years prior to 1952 totals have been estimated by Government Statisticians in each State using values of individual products recorded by Mine Departments and other relevant data. (b) Not available for publication. (c) Incomplete. (d) Includes particulars for items market (b). (e) Not available for publication: included with "No Metal Mining" etc. (f) Incomplete for some N.S.W. Metal Mining industries and for construction Material Quarrying in some States. (g) Not available.

PRODUCTION OF PRINCIPAL MINERALS.

State or Territory and Year.	Principal Contents of Metallic Minerals.							Coal.	
	Copper.	Gold.	Iron.	Lead.	Tin.	Tungsten.	Zinc.	Black.	Brown.
ton.	'000 f.m.	'000 ton.	'000 ton.	'000 ton.	(a) ton.	'000 ton.	'000 ton.	'000 ton.	'000 ton.
QUARTER ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1953(b)									
New South Wales	809	7	..	54	78	20	46	3,627	2,109
Victoria	6,352	15	..	..	7	..	38	..	..
Queensland	..	(d) 22	(c) 405	..	9	(c) 122	..	5	121
South Australia	..	..	84	..	..	..	(d) 38	..	..
Western Australia	2,851	..	..	3	188	..	..	250	..
Tasmania	..	..	..	..	6	25	..	..	..
Northern Territory	..	14	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Australia—									
Qtr. 1953	10,015	288	(c) 499	66	421	398	60	4,718	2,109
Qtr. 1952	4,460	280	(c) 515	67	347	368	49	4,856	1,945
Year 1953(b)	37,364	1,075	(c) 2,132	260	1,194	1,366	230	18,429	8,257
1952	18,579	860	(c) 1,883	228	1,610	1,232	196	19,405	8,104
1951	17,099	856	(c) 1,605	212	1,559	1,106	180	17,908	7,836
1950	17,481	870	(c) 1,418	225	1,654	730	198	16,543	7,327

(a) In terms of W_{60} (tonnage iron). (b) Subject to revision. (c) Estimated. (d) Less than half the unit of quantity shown.

PRODUCTION OF CERTAIN COMMODITIES—AUSTRALIA.

Item.	Unit of Quantity.	1938-39.	1949-50.	1950-51.	1951-52.	1952-53.	1953-54.	1954-55.
Bovine	Mil. gal.	90	150	173	185	190	193	193
Sheep	Mil. lb.	73.7	117.9	130.1	148.9	145.3	168.7	112.0
Swine	Thousand	1,117	1,701	1,845	1,740	1,811	1,820	1,819
Bees, Shells and Nests	'000 pairs.	13,967	17,190	18,004	18,510	17,403	18,332	14,735
Bees, Clay	Million.	721	804	884	715	600	486	501
Cement Building Sheds	Mil. sq. yds.	8.3	18.9	21.2	23.3	24.4	18.9	19.7
Cement, Portland	'000 tons.	865	1,167	1,255	1,237	1,151	1,025	1,228
Cloth, Woven, Woolen	Mil. sq. yds.	31.7	37.3	37.5	28.2	28.4	30.1	28.8
Coal—Black	'000 tons.	12,888	14,935	16,118	18,171	18,540	14,331	14,447
Do—Brown	"	3,208	4,622	7,300	8,000	8,074	5,907	6,394
Confectionery—Chocolate	Mill. lb.	48.5	78.7	69.1	61.3	58.4	59.9	44.5
Do—Other	"	58.1	70.7	73.4	75.4	75.4	58.4	56.0
Copper, Refined	'000 tons.	17.5	11.0	11.2	17.8	18.0	12.9	15.1
Electricity	Mil. kwh.	4,668	5,500	10,505	11,239	18,369	8,999	9,985
Electric Motors	Thousand	31.7	397.3	523.8	610.4	522.2	567.6	406.3
Extruded, Natural and Synthetic	'000 gal.	575	3,236	1,889	2,008	2,127	1,509	1,990
Explosives	Number	2,852	2,470	2,260	2,118	1,260	908	1,068
Flax	'000 short tons	1,373	1,509	1,696	1,721	1,723	1,809	1,808
Flour	Mil. lb.	159.7	211.4	233.1	226.1	218.5	178.5	248.2
Gas	Mil. cu. ft.	21,072	4,969	37,875	40,301	41,273	30,494	31,372
Gold (Mine)	'000 fine oz.	1,821	859	891	910	1,089	774	823
Hosiery—Men's and Boys'	'000 doz. pr.	1,102	1,182	1,578	1,482	1,575	1,141	1,436
Do—Women's and Girls'	"	2,116	1,709	1,857	1,687	2,324	1,894	2,043
Children's	"	671	457	563	492	414	290	417
Ice Creams	'000 gal.	4,592	16,788	17,386	17,706	13,670	11,511	11,293
Iron and Steel—Pig Iron	'000 tons.	1,186	1,099	1,313	1,430	1,679	1,232	1,377
Do—Laminated	"	1,170	1,218	1,444	1,521	1,823	1,340	1,416
Jam	'000 gal.	57.9	60.8	58.9	48.4	54.2	27.4	29.7
Lard (A)	'000 tons.	576	945	1,157	1,191	1,005	709	948
Milk, Sterile	'000 tons.	253	189	188	188	192	136	179
Milk, Sterile	'000 tons.	2,733	5,812	5,774	6,242	6,553	4,738	4,738
Margarine—Table	'000 lb.	7,448	14,044	8,542	15,952	15,913	11,686	15,938
Do—Other	"	31,221	51,261	49,833	58,108	49,207	35,878	36,493
Maple Canned	'000 tons.	11.4	55.3	57.8	61.2	94.4	78.0	48.4
Newspaper	'000 gal.	21.5	3,950	5,590	6,311	1,297	33.2	42.2
Paints, Ready Mixed	Thousand	29.5	162.3	203.0	192.8	181.7	143.7	219.3
Extruders, Domestic	'000 doz. pr.	4,155	6,270	5,582	6,861	6,305	4,889	6,263
Shippers	'000 pr.	7,704	8,592	8,611	7,574	8,888	4,692	6,182
Soap	'000 cwt.	894	1,167	1,368	1,307	1,160	981	887
Stoves, Cooking (A)—Electric (F)	Thousand	189	311.1	44.8	50.9	22.6	16.6	25.1
Do—Gas	"	46.7	46.7	55.4	81.0	34.4	25.0	32.4
Do—Solid Fuel	"	54.5	61.9	75.0	71.7	46.6	35.1	33.6
Sugar, Refined	'000 tons.	379	423	451	432	422	526	349
Subphosphate of Ammonia	"	24.3	48.7	57.0	63.8	71.2	52.9	51.2
Subphosphate (100%)	"	450	612	640	650	659	451	637
Superphosphate	"	1,159	1,463	1,548	1,597	1,581	1,126	1,252
Tiles, Roofing—Terrazotta	Million.	3.7	45.4	47.0	48.9	57.5	42.0	47.1
Timber, Sawn Native (B)	Mil. cu. ft.	49.5	60.4	50.8	66.5	45.7	32.4	38.5
Tobacco, Cigars and Cigarettes	Mil. doz. pr.	717	1,223	1,261	1,392	1,308	969.2	1,046.1
Vegetables, Preserved (M)	'000 tons.	23.3	30.7	21.8	31.5	36.2	27.0	26.5
Do—Other	"	10.3	79.3	70.5	100.4	65.1	68.0	33.8
Wool, Scoured	"	105	173	152	121	155	85	99
Wool, Tinted	"	25.2	31.6	29.8	24.8	27.1	16.0	23.5
Yarn, Woolen and Worsted	'000 tons.	82.6	49.0	46.5	36.5	35.2	24.3	32.0
Yarn, Refined	"	69.8	63.8	77.7	84.1	80.2	60.0	72.9

(a) Subject to revision. (b) Includes waste beer. (c) Excludes motor car, motor cycle, truck, motor and land in lead bullion, produced for export. (d) Excludes motor car, motor cycle, truck, motor and land in lead bullion, produced for export. (e) Excludes motor car, motor cycle, truck, motor and land in lead bullion, produced for export. (f) Excludes motor car, motor cycle, truck, motor and land in lead bullion, produced for export. (g) Excludes motor car, motor cycle, truck, motor and land in lead bullion, produced for export. (h) Excludes motor car, motor cycle, truck, motor and land in lead bullion, produced for export. (i) Excludes motor car, motor cycle, truck, motor and land in lead bullion, produced for export. (j) Excludes motor car, motor cycle, truck, motor and land in lead bullion, produced for export. (k) Excludes motor car, motor cycle, truck, motor and land in lead bullion, produced for export. (l) Excludes motor car, motor cycle, truck, motor and land in lead bullion, produced for export. (m) Includes preserved tomatoes.

ESTIMATED NET VALUE OF PRODUCTION—AUSTRALIA.

(RECORDED INDUSTRIES.)

NOTE.—Depreciation and Maintenance Costs have not been deducted.

(\$'000.)

Industry.	1938-39.	1949-50.	1950-51.	1951-52.	1952-53.	1953-54.	1954-55.
Agricultural	41,679	104,372	218,703	208,130	246,688	(a)	(a)
Pastoral	63,920	248,855	337,121	704,809	400,493	(a)	(a)
Dairying	33,792	67,552	81,102	89,352	103,778	(a)	(a)
Poultry	7,366	20,196	22,296	24,614	31,554	(a)	(a)
Bee-farming	123	1,509	743	831	774	(a)	(a)
Total Rural	146,706	494,484	657,897	1,027,736	783,282	(a)	(a)
Trapping	1,422	7,788	5,718	6,899	6,713	(a)	(a)
Forestry	7,811	28,305	23,195	38,428	37,905	(a)	(a)
Fisheries (A)	1,654	4,174	4,234	4,869	5,739	(a)	(a)
Mining and Quarrying	27,373	48,353	52,327	71,150	97,199	(a)	(a)
Total Non-Rural	38,262	80,018	85,472	111,078	147,546	(a)	(a)
Total All Primary	184,968	574,502	743,369	1,138,812	930,828	(a)	(a)
Factories	203,417	568,715	661,488	843,905	1,023,876	1,062,901	(a)
Total All Industries	388,385	1,143,817	1,404,857	1,982,417	1,954,804	(a)	(a)

PER HEAD OF POPULATION.

(£ s. d.)

Industry.	1938-39.	1949-50.	1950-51.	1951-52.	1952-53.	1953-54.	1954-55.
Agricultural	6 0 6	21 3 3	27 5 8	25 3 1	29 0 7	(a)	(a)
Pastoral	9 4 7	31 0 1	42 1 2	85 3 9	47 2 7	(a)	(a)
Dairying	4 17 9	8 13 10	2 4 10	10 10 0	12 4 3	(a)	(a)
Poultry	1 0 1	2 12 0	2 15 6	2 19 6	3 14 3	(a)	(a)
Bee-farming	0 4 4	0 3 11	0 1 11	0 2 0	0 1 10	(a)	(a)
Total Rural	21 4 3	63 13	2 82 6	7 134 4	4 92 3	(a)	(a)
Trapping	0 4 1	1 0 1	0 14 3	0 16 0	0 15 10	(a)	(a)
Forestry	1 2 7	2 12 3	2 17 11	3 8 9	4 9 3	(a)	(a)
Fisheries (B)	0 4 10	0 10 8	0 10 7	0 11 9	0 13 6	(a)	(a)
Mining and Quarrying	3 10 2	6 4 6	6 10 7	8 13 0	11 8 9	(a)	(a)
Total Non-Rural	5 10 8	10 7 7	10 13 4	13 8 6	17 7 4	(a)	(a)
Total All Primary	26 14 11	74 0 9	92 10 1	113 17 12	10 109 10	(a)	(a)
Factories	29 4 4	73 4 4	82 10 6	6 101 19	3 120 10	0 123 15	9
Total All Industries	56 3 1	3 147 5	1 175 10	5 239 12	1 230 10	(a)	(a)

(a) Not yet available. (b) Local value.

ESTIMATED NET VALUE OF PRODUCTION. (£'000.)

Industry and Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
1952-53.							
Agricultural ..	66,623	(a)	(a)	51,244	28,977	10,803	(a)
Pastoral ..	206,872	(a)	(a)	49,918	39,799	7,412	(a)
Dairying ..	45,088	(a)	(a)	9,427	3,911	3,894	(a)
Poultry ..	14,616	(a)	(a)	2,068	1,449	1,058	(a)
Bee-farming ..	359	(a)	(a)	22	100	18	(a)
Total Rural ..	334,137	(a)	(a)	112,870	74,236	23,185	(a)
Trapping ..	1,793	(a)	(a)	541	230	185	(a)
Fumetry ..	15,449	(a)	(a)	3,790	3,328	3,248	(a)
Fisheries(h) ..	2,233	(a)	(a)	851	1,610	608	(a)
Mining and Quarrying	63,234	(a)	(a)	5,152	12,320	7,325	(a)
Total Non-rural ..	82,762	(a)	(a)	10,334	17,488	11,364	(a)
Total All Primary	416,899	(a)	(a)	123,204	91,724	34,549	(a)
Factories ..	457,742	357,971	98,209	89,189	49,192	30,498	1,082,801
Total All Industries—							
1952-53 ..	874,631	(a)	(a)	212,398	140,916	65,047	(a)
1951-52 ..	776,354	568,008	230,295	188,383	128,300	64,504	1,954,804
1950-51 ..	804,891	544,483	243,625	185,000	145,416	58,088	1,982,417
1949-50 ..	566,890	397,991	179,066	128,645	92,028	41,637	1,406,857
1948-49 ..	461,002	316,672	152,715	102,963	75,649	34,916	1,143,817
1938-39 ..	152,263	103,398	61,247	30,445	27,460	13,672	388,385

(a) Not yet available. (b) Local value.

MANUFACTURING AND MINING Australia.

Year.	(1) Factories.	(2) Persons employed.	(3) Salaries and Wages Paid.	(4) Value of Fuel, &c., used.	(5) Value of Materials Used.	(6) Value of Production.	(7) Value of Output.	(8) Value of Plant, Machinery, Land and Buildings.
1938-39 ..	No. 28,941	No. 565,106	£'000. 106,743	£'000. 15,700	£'000. 281,303	£'000. 208,417	£'000. 500,420	£'000. 274,582
1948-49 ..	40,070	896,232	339,287	66,062	810,548	568,715	1,425,325	479,234
1949-50 ..	41,560	917,661	385,896	64,829	929,091	661,488	1,646,411	545,151
1950-51 ..	43,147	969,093	401,857	71,682	1,235,281	843,805	2,150,564	642,816
1951-52 ..	45,813	977,773	612,014	96,624	1,513,070	1,023,976	2,633,674	772,715
1952-53(c) ..	47,710	993,218	635,228	109,337	1,827,498	1,082,901	2,719,638	907,954

(a) Average over whole year: includes working proprietors.
(b) Excludes amounts drawn by working proprietors.
(c) Value of production equals figures in column (7) less total of figures in columns (4) and (5).
(d) Value of goods produced including amounts received for work done.
(e) Subject to revision.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—continued. States.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
1938-39.							
1. Factories .. No.	9,464	9,250	5,067	5,067	5,159	944	26,811
2. Persons employed(a) ..	228,781	201,831	84,110	43,371	23,211	13,802	585,106
3. Salaries, wages paid(b) .. £'000.	44,606	36,027	10,887	8,180	4,574	2,490	106,748
4. Value of fuel, &c., used .. £'000.	7,852	4,000	1,424	1,017	1,169	434	15,700
5. " materials used ..	120,602	82,971	42,566	20,309	9,604	5,321	281,308
6. " production(c) ..	90,766	65,906	19,301	13,678	8,776	5,599	293,417
7. " output ..	218,420	158,967	65,381	35,905	18,549	11,158	600,420
8. " land & buildings ..	57,358	42,026	12,299	8,711	6,614	3,717	180,929
9. " plant & machinery ..	62,695	38,027	18,996	9,700	8,095	4,402	143,868
1951-52.							
1. Factories .. No.	18,144	14,758	4,918	3,216	3,266	1,512	45,813
2. Persons employed(a) ..	405,011	324,143	94,349	84,189	45,071	24,027	977,773
3. Salaries, wages paid(b) .. £'000.	263,652	202,568	61,906	53,797	25,369	12,107	612,014
4. Value of fuel, &c., used ..	48,861	21,990	8,287	10,408	5,172	2,107	96,828
5. " materials used ..	647,291	477,817	150,427	139,198	58,512	40,025	1,619,070
6. " production(c) ..	445,351	334,560	91,329	82,470	42,063	29,761	1,023,976
7. " output ..	1,139,548	838,967	250,043	232,016	106,777	71,926	2,633,674
8. " land & buildings ..	153,662	110,465	28,610	28,507	16,732	13,210	360,186
9. " plant & machinery ..	166,437	128,634	41,250	32,177	20,700	22,964	412,532
1952-53.							
1. Factories .. No.	19,251	15,138	5,009	3,330	3,424	1,504	47,710
2. Persons employed(a) ..	380,213	310,716	93,121	80,493	45,168	23,495	933,218
3. Salaries, wages paid(b) .. £'000.	265,910	210,861	57,501	56,546	28,344	15,976	635,228
4. Value of fuel, &c., used ..	58,630	25,628	9,624	11,808	6,175	2,476	109,337
5. " materials used ..	667,304	476,182	187,672	133,918	63,945	35,029	1,550,088
6. " production(c) ..	457,742	357,971	96,209	99,180	49,192	30,498	1,082,801
7. " output ..	1,139,548	859,779	295,405	234,813	119,310	71,008	2,719,638
8. " land & buildings ..	176,578	135,307	34,720	31,911	20,900	14,962	414,420
9. " plant & machinery ..	207,782	147,350	51,670	40,111	24,515	25,420	469,368

(a) Average over whole year: includes working proprietors. (b) Excludes amounts drawn by working proprietors. (c) Value of production equals figures in line 7 less totals of figures in lines 4 and 5.

Value of Production(a)—Australia. (£'000.)

Class of Industry.	1938-39.	1948-49.	1950-51.	1951-52.	1952-53.
I. Treatment of Non-metallic Mineral and Quarry Products ..	5,146	5,478	17,325	21,892	23,287
II. Bricks, Pottery, Glass, &c. ..	5,572	6,085	16,667	20,846	22,170
III. Chemicals, Dyestuffs, Explosives, Paints, Oils, Greases ..	12,450	22,642	52,703	63,662	67,885
IV. Industrial Metals, Machines, Components ..	62,435	129,692	326,993	413,051	421,256
V. Previous Metals, Jewellery, Plate ..	831	1,316	4,978	5,438	5,219
VI. Textiles and Textile Goods (not dress) ..	10,918	22,036	54,008	66,564	64,833
VII. Skins and Leather (not Clothing or Footwear) ..	8,183	6,850	14,721	13,625	15,538
VIII. Clothing (except Knitted) ..	16,551	29,835	71,757	81,057	82,786
IX. Food, Drink and Tobacco ..	41,801	61,988	118,322	141,054	164,291
X. Sawmills, Joinery, Boxes, &c., Wood Turning and Carving ..	9,481	15,590	44,881	68,082	68,268
XI. Furniture of Wood, Bedding, &c. ..	4,200	5,167	17,137	19,321	19,315
XII. Paper, Stationery, Printing, Book-binding, &c. ..	14,550	20,408	54,725	68,236	68,268
XIII. Rubber ..	781	4,182	13,065	18,044	18,027
XIV. Musical Instruments ..	136	207	1,260	1,415	1,378
XV. Miscellaneous Food ..	2,998	6,609	15,514	17,179	18,353
XVI. Heat, Light and Power ..	11,409	18,475	18,249	24,382	35,005
Total ..	203,417	352,323	843,805	1,023,976	1,082,801

(a) See note (c) above.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—continued.

Proportion of Each Item of Outlay to Value of Total Output, 1952-53.
(Per Cent.)

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
Salaries and wages(a)	23.34	24.52	19.50	24.08	23.78	22.50	23.36
Power, Fuel, &c. . .	4.71	2.98	3.28	5.03	5.19	8.49	4.02
Materials used . . .	55.12	55.38	63.49	56.98	53.71	53.56	56.17
Margin for other miscellaneous expenses, charges, profits, &c. . .	16.83	17.12	13.75	13.91	17.35	20.45	16.45
Total Output	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Salaries and wages as proportion of Value of Production . .	58.09	58.90	58.64	63.40	57.62	52.38	58.67

(a) Excludes amounts drawn by working proprietors.

Average Amount of Salaries and Wages Paid per Employee(a)
(£.)

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
1938-39—Males . . .	239.24	224.47	238.59	220.05	235.49	212.00	231.84
Females	103.66	108.25	96.00	86.44	99.58	93.19	103.92
1948-49—Males . . .	455.89	457.35	405.20	442.11	390.29	425.40	446.30
Females	245.02	261.17	216.00	227.81	208.35	235.25	246.83
1949-50—Males . . .	499.33	510.86	446.87	487.71	433.49	465.44	492.23
Females	270.27	291.35	240.93	257.30	231.50	255.32	274.12
1950-51—Males . . .	609.05	610.44	516.83	583.93	515.67	558.67	591.46
Females	338.08	355.57	289.82	322.04	279.55	322.46	338.12
1951-52—Males . . .	756.84	736.68	625.91	716.82	643.71	687.09	725.62
Females	428.40	436.60	354.96	405.71	351.29	404.71	422.04
1952-53—Males . . .	807.77	793.18	701.45	779.90	711.80	761.21	782.89
Females	473.28	483.48	400.48	451.80	400.32	448.58	467.70

(a) Excludes working proprietors and amounts drawn by them.

Average Number of Males and Females Employed(a) over whole Year, 1952-53.

Sex.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
Males	291,704	228,685	77,627	67,114	38,614	19,621	723,365
Females	68,609	82,031	15,496	13,369	6,574	3,874	209,853
Masculinity(b) . .	330	270	501	502	587	506	346

(a) Includes working proprietors.

(b) Number of males per 100 females.

Section III.—Building.

VALUE OF NEW BUILDINGS COMPLETED, NINE MONTHS ENDED
31st MARCH, 1954.

(INCLUDING ESTIMATED VALUE OF OWNER-BUILT HOUSES.)
(\$'000.)

Kind of Building.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Aust.
Houses—								
Brick, Brick Veneer, Concrete and Stone	17,121	16,148	1,860	10,809	6,176	1,998	710	54,202
Wood (Weatherboard, &c.)	12,888	24,743	9,313	3,323	1,721	2,852	862	65,416
Fibro Cement	20,325	2,845	1,617	1,095	6,761	132	6	32,482
Other	76	245	234	76	24	..	..	745
Total Houses	50,418	43,778	13,508	15,803	14,632	4,684	1,578	143,944
Flats	1,787	1,321	207	126	328	14	..	3,783
Shops with Dwellings	1,020	1,016	119	22	91	36	9	2,513
Shops without Dwellings	1,030	1,417	417	524	513	117	58	8,576
Hotels, Guest Houses, Touring Houses, &c.	951	33	46	51	34	210	..	1,355
Factories	8,906	8,498	756	1,109	875	886	52	15,000
Other New Buildings	14,836	8,965	8,978	2,198	2,850	1,200	1,110	55,190
Total Other Buildings	28,799	21,549	9,822	5,291	4,621	2,563	1,219	62,965
Total New Buildings	74,138	65,025	19,025	19,094	19,203	7,247	2,797	206,929

VALUE (WHEN COMPLETED) OF NEW BUILDINGS.
(INCLUDING ESTIMATED VALUE OF OWNER-BUILT HOUSES.)
(\$'000.)

Period.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Aust.
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COMMENCED.

1948-49	(a)115,154	27,835	13,195	7,969	5,825	5,371	1,792	(a)116,668
1949-50	(a)171,277	44,218	16,994	11,301	8,459	8,379	1,492	(a)142,120
1950-51	(a)178,260	74,760	21,762	17,827	14,168	10,536	2,458	(a)228,570
1951-52	78,460	78,740	27,861	22,406	16,784	11,804	2,559	244,688
1952-53	71,805	60,254	25,960	23,819	20,910	6,511	2,788	218,006
Nine months ended—								
March, 1953	50,230	72,748	19,907	17,857	15,265	4,978	2,392	161,905
March, 1954	60,766	63,804	30,219	18,145	18,861	6,515	1,918	208,172

COMPLETED.

1948-49	(a)233,737	27,357	12,109	8,493	4,767	3,810	757	(a)300,500
1949-50	(a)101,920	34,084	13,053	9,074	5,852	5,302	1,492	(a)110,747
1950-51	(a)110,466	52,088	17,928	12,942	8,948	4,403	1,717	(a)140,920
1951-52	76,397	66,615	25,839	16,123	14,426	10,511	2,723	215,944
1952-53	98,049	76,107	26,233	25,882	22,914	10,665	2,675	242,729
Nine months ended—								
March, 1953	73,876	58,443	19,143	19,573	17,059	8,062	2,225	198,532
March, 1954	74,138	65,025	19,025	19,094	19,203	7,247	2,797	206,529

UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT END OF PERIOD.

1948-49	(a)	44,267	8,479	7,735	6,416	5,872	1,624	(a)
1949-50	75,008	56,098	11,805	10,518	10,622	8,969	4,396	176,853
1950-51	102,786	85,605	15,483	17,372	15,842	12,174	5,362	254,113
1951-52	125,674	102,670	18,728	23,818	22,392	13,770	6,998	313,165
1952-53	106,261	94,617	17,888	26,258	23,469	10,982	7,197	238,213
March, 1953	207,182	101,161	19,102	23,135	21,507	11,381	2,995	290,733
March, 1954	216,809	93,616	19,094	23,800	24,684	10,654	7,451	294,976

(a) Partly estimated.

NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES COMPLETED, NINE MONTHS ENDED 31st MARCH, 1954.

(INCLUDING OWNER-BUILT HOUSES.)

Material of Outer Walls.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Aust.
Brick, Brick Veneer, Concrete and Stone ..	4,496	4,718	630	5,970	1,884	501	163	16,362
Wood (Weatherboard, etc.) ..	5,226	10,147	4,972	1,154	681	1,252	267	23,642
Pilero Cement ..	9,606	1,398	1,030	548	3,127	78	2	15,791
Other ..	30	133	98	84	10	..	..	305
Total ..	19,360	16,396	6,730	5,706	5,652	1,831	425	54,100

NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES. (INCLUDING OWNER-BUILT HOUSES.)

Period.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Aust.
COMMENCED.								
1948-49 ..	(a)12,101	16,487	9,981	4,561	3,943	2,849	534	(a)54,926
1949-50 ..	(a)22,055	10,643	10,700	6,109	5,031	3,664	389	(a)58,900
1950-51 ..	(a)25,182	26,549	10,694	7,086	6,070	4,122	877	(a)72,714
1951-52 ..	24,504	29,518	11,995	8,510	7,730	5,354	815	89,001
1952-53 ..	21,030	16,254	9,841	7,967	7,012	2,285	528	64,457
Nine months ended—								
March, 1953 ..	14,909	11,775	7,116	5,915	5,355	1,761	446	47,174
March, 1954 ..	21,208	15,701	6,399	4,907	5,634	1,941	236	56,176
COMPLETED.								
1948-49 ..	(a)7,864	13,273	9,354	3,969	3,244	2,287	323	(a)51,339
1949-50 ..	(a)8,706	15,011	14,447	4,904	3,509	2,852	404	(a)55,483
1950-51 ..	(a)9,771	21,161	10,275	6,725	5,160	3,914	574	(a)70,549
1951-52 ..	23,351	25,051	11,403	7,711	5,577	3,999	584	77,976
1952-53 ..	24,890	21,033	10,708	8,940	7,965	3,114	590	77,330
Nine months ended—								
March, 1953 ..	18,972	16,144	7,972	6,899	5,984	2,596	440	50,016
March, 1954 ..	19,360	16,396	6,730	5,706	5,652	1,831	425	54,100
UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT END OF PERIOD.								
1948-49 ..	(a)22,118	17,521	3,958	3,940	2,339	2,575	696	(a)54,242
1949-50 ..	26,492	21,353	4,520	5,241	3,907	3,357	678	69,708
1950-51 ..	31,781	27,341	4,943	6,529	5,716	3,558	981	80,909
1951-52 ..	32,006	26,996	5,135	7,995	6,917	3,143	708	83,000
1952-53 ..	28,916	25,763	3,914	6,164	6,951	2,114	616	70,082
March, 1953 ..	28,749	22,506	4,279	6,460	6,185	2,308	706	71,177
March, 1954 ..	30,854	21,358	3,587	6,778	5,933	2,224	457	70,191

(a) Partly estimated.

NUMBER OF NEW FLATS COMPLETED.(a) (INDIVIDUAL FLATS.)

Period.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Aust.
1948-49 ..	904	398	32	6	..	25	20	1,345
1949-50 ..	1,075	246	16	..	101	24	32	1,494
1950-51 ..	966	333	26	..	805	18	86	1,604
1951-52 ..	1,226	418	29	..	915	21	100	2,006
1952-53 ..	1,064	692	53	..	58	100	14	2,627
Nine months ended—								
March, 1953 ..	1,176	628	37	..	86	12	40	1,809
March, 1954 ..	875	602	116	..	90	174	5	1,702

(a) Figures are additional to numbers of houses shown above. Each flat is counted as a separate unit and the numbers shown relate to individual flats. Only new flats are included, i.e., the conversion of old buildings into flats are omitted. (b) In this period 1,055 flats were commenced, and 1,079 flats were under construction at the end of the period in Australia.

Section IV.—Oversea Trade.

COMPILED FROM INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND CUSTOMS.

OVERSEA TRADE—STATES. (£A'000 L.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

State or Territory.	1953-54.	1948-49.	1946-50.	1950-51.	1951-52.	1952-53.
IMPORTS.						
New South Wales ..	53,088	178,119	214,617	208,977	429,104	210,148
Victoria ..	40,483	145,573	184,237	263,066	365,108	178,775
Queensland ..	9,070	32,484	46,800	57,400	89,457	43,252
South Australia ..	6,870	30,457	45,755	58,001	93,031	43,775
Western Australia ..	8,137	22,058	34,422	40,558	60,536	29,874
Tasmania ..	1,392	6,256	9,852	12,229	20,711	13,315
Northern Territory ..	34	267	766	640	720	940
Australian Capital Territory ..	..	..	..	..	1	..
Australia ..	116,754	415,194	538,099	743,871	1,053,428	514,100
EXPORTS.(a)						
New South Wales ..	45,903	176,754	116,591	325,437	201,460	276,082
Victoria ..	30,819	185,456	106,197	255,044	185,994	228,118
Queensland ..	28,652	99,122	98,703	180,332	95,975	145,098
South Australia ..	14,841	69,581	63,932	107,674	97,251	122,944
Western Australia ..	17,070	43,295	48,295	58,648	75,781	83,443
Tasmania ..	3,198	12,400	14,968	24,527	18,512	21,810
Northern Territory ..	18	22	11	9	55	34
Australia ..	140,495	542,673	618,997	991,796	676,008	871,272

(a) In this table goods are shown against the State from which they were finally despatched.

OVERSEA TRADE—AUSTRALIA.

Period.	Total Trade.	Imports	Exports.(a)			Value per Head of Population.				
			Total.			Total Trade.	Imports.	Exports.		
			Aut. Produce.	Re-exports.	Total.			Aut. Produce.	Re-exports.	Total.
			£A'000 L.o.b.	£A'000 L.o.b.	£A'000 L.o.b.	£	£	£	£	£
1938-39 ..	257,250	116,754	135,476	5,020	140,496	87.1	16.8	19.6	0.7	20.3
1948-49 ..	957,867	415,194	537,570	5,103	542,673	122.8	53.2	69.9	0.7	69.6
1949-50 ..	1,151,786	538,099	608,482	5,235	613,697	135.1	66.8	75.6	0.7	76.3
1950-51 ..	1,225,667	743,871	675,614	6,192	681,796	137.4	69.6	89.8	0.7	90.5
1951-52 ..	1,728,431	1,053,428	667,050	7,949	675,008	202.4	123.4	78.1	0.9	79.0
1952-53 ..	1,365,361	514,100	851,91	7,981	871,272	156.4	56.8	98.7	0.9	99.6
Nine months ended—										
March, 1953 ..	1,023,128	383,550	633,315	5,283	639,578	117.9	49.9	72.6	0.7	73.3
March, 1954 ..	1,130,089	491,009	642,197	5,843	648,040	126.2	55.3	72.2	0.7	72.9

(a) Excludes the value of stores shipped in Australian ports on board overseas ships. The values of 'ship stores' in £A'000 were 1938-39, £2,106; 1947-48, £5,510; 1948-49, £7,815; 1949-50, £7,861; 1950-51, £9,388; 1951-52, £10,478; and 1952-53, £11,099.

(£A'000 L.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Period.	Merchandise.	Imports.		Merchandise.	Exports.		Excess of Exports (+) or Imports (-)		
		Bullion and Specie.	Total.		Bullion and Specie.	Total.	Merchandise.	Bullion and Specie.	Total.
1938-39 ..	113,217	3,537	116,754	121,633	18,993	140,496	+6,810	+15,428	+22,742
1948-49 ..	414,059	1,138	415,194	541,103	1,570	542,673	+127,047	+432	+127,479
1949-50 ..	536,124	1,915	538,099	611,053	5,214	613,697	+75,559	+99	+75,928
1950-51 ..	741,378	2,933	743,871	979,096	7,000	981,796	+237,718	+207	+237,925
1951-52 ..	1,049,751	2,672	1,053,423	685,249	9,778	675,008	-384,511	+1,696	-379,415
1952-53 ..	519,432	2,767	514,199	818,498	22,774	871,272	+384,146	+1,907	+387,163
Nine months ended—									
March, 1953 ..	380,917	2,633	383,550	622,630	16,948	639,578	+241,713	+1,315	+243,028
March, 1954 ..	489,825	2,684	491,009	635,243	12,837	648,080	+145,418	+10,763	+156,171

IMPORTS INTO AUSTRALIA OF THE PRODUCE OR MANUFACTURE OF THE UNDERMENTIONED COUNTRIES.
(£A'000 L.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Classes of Goods.	United Kingdom.	Borneo (Brit.-d.)	Canada.	Ceylon.	India.	Malaya, Federation of.	New Zealand.	Singapore.	South Africa, Union of.	Bahrein Islands.	Belgium and Luxemburg.	Brazil.
1. Foodstuffs of animal origin ..	514	..	5	..	..	..	654	..	287	..	..	..
2. Foodstuffs of vegetable origin; non-alcoholic beverages ..	305	154	37	6,067	239	109	168	17	179	..	4	306
3. Spirituous and alcoholic liquors ..	428	..	51	..	38	..	31	..	60	..	110	6
4. Tobacco ..	2,740	..	..	..	1	..	75	..	..	..	..	..
5. Live animals ..	83	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
6. Animal substances not foodstuffs ..	214	..	13	..	191	..	818	..	28	..	..	..
7. Vegetable substances and fibres; cork and manufactures; plastic moulding materials and synthetic fibres ..	2,515	..	15	169	902	96	858	4	211	..	84	92
8. Yarns and manufactured fibres, textiles, and apparel ..	30,738	..	121	14	7,001	8	24	4	21	3	1,011	110
9. Oils, fats and waxes ..	2,843	2,939	..	..	514	..	23	4,815	123	8,273	144	..
10. Pigments, paints, varnishes ..	686	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
11. Rocks, minerals and hydrocarbons ..	157	..	686	9	21	65	11	..	498	..	19	..
12. Metals, metal manufactures and machinery ..	79,925	42	4,093	..	6	345	179	4	11	..	581	..
13. Rubber and leather and manufactures thereof ..	1,344	810	6	94	13	3,260	4	1	1	..	1	311
14. Wood and wicker ..	171	..	1,746	..	6	236	400	6	..	..	..	..
15. Earthenware, cement, china, glass, and stoneware ..	8,910	..	76	..	6	9	..	..	8	..	606	..
16. Pulp, paper, paper manufactures, and stationery ..	9,586	..	1,135	..	105	..	268	..	..	..	22	..
17. Sporting materials, toys, fancy goods, jewellery and timepieces ..	1,294	..	..	13	18	..	5	..	304	..	74	..
18. Optical, surgical and scientific instruments ..	2,874	..	96	..	3	..	2	7	1	..	16	..
19. Drugs, fertilizers and chemicals ..	5,001	6	87	..	8	4	..	..	70	..	..	..
20. Miscellaneous ..	9,800	1	437	157	86	46	154	14	75	..	170	8
21. Gold and silver; bronze specie ..	8	..	..	..	..	..	82	..	..	..	..	..
Six months ended—												
December, 1953 ..	155,196	3,452	9,187	6,511	9,058	4,177	2,041	4,871	1,743	8,276	2,668	333
December, 1952 ..	97,076	3,112	10,125	4,114	8,468	2,242	1,722	5,164	1,874	7,289	3,179	..
Year 1952-53 ..	214,702	5,908	19,540	9,786	14,546	5,798	3,999	5,851	3,101	14,912	5,506	801
" 1951-52 ..	465,706	6,903	23,559	11,173	47,825	18,838	7,410	8,764	4,418	13,068	27,358	7,365
" 1950-51 ..	358,831	5,673	19,957	11,317	35,424	20,647	8,275	10,502	5,820	10,050	11,350	3,876
" 1949-50 ..	278,748	4,692	18,276	8,937	27,064	4,929	4,968	7,908	5,360	6,514	3,569	4,052
" 1938-39 ..	46,094	215	5,506	957	3,272	1,029	3,087	(a)	591	744	1,123	81

(a) Included with Federation of Malaya.

Imports into Australia of the Produce or Manufacture of the Undermentioned Countries—continued.
(£A'000 L.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Classes of Goods	Czechoslovakia.	France.	Germany, Federal Republic of.	Indonesia, Republic of.	Italy.	Japan.	Netherlands.	Norway.	Peria.	Sweden.	United States of America.	Total, All Countries.
1. Foodstuffs of animal origin ..	7	6	48	..	20	128	17	262	..	12	180	2,777
2. Foodstuffs of vegetable origin; non-alcoholic beverages ..	..	10	6	222	282	21	559	..	..	..	4	10,589
3. Spirituous and alcoholic liquors ..	..	32	3	..	8	8	3	..	..	..	..	498
4. Tobacco ..	..	..	..	39	48	3	353	3	..	..	2,228	8,428
5. Live animals ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	163
6. Animal substances not foodstuffs ..	1	18	5	..	6	40	..	18	..	22	13	2,013
7. Vegetable substances and fibres; cork and manufactures; plastic moulding materials and synthetic fibres ..	..	47	100	623	53	8	109	19	21	61	1,385	11,053
8. Yarns and manufactured fibres, textiles, and apparel ..	573	1,744	1,321	6	2,801	1,419	1,846	5	7	12	319	52,520
9. Oils, fats and waxes ..	..	815	199	8,864	1,099	..	87	6	..	12	2,555	40,712
10. Pigments, paints, varnishes ..	4	66	510	..	54	10	6	5	..	..	720	1,434
11. Rocks, minerals and hydrocarbons ..	..	4	10	..	20	212	9	8	..	13	1,180	2,930
12. Metals, metal manufactures and machinery ..	80	1,487	5,105	..	815	181	406	584	..	1,202	18,779	115,781
13. Rubber and leather and manufactures thereof ..	..	32	30	378	33	..	2	..	..	4	202	6,810
14. Wood and wicker ..	3	17	9	79	18	20	8	119	..	389	1,049	6,357
15. Earthenware, cement, china, glass, and stoneware ..	167	67	116	..	62	66	13	7	..	38	112	5,420
16. Pulp, paper, paper manufactures, and stationery ..	65	29	228	..	37	..	165	758	..	2,976	414	16,224
17. Sporting materials, toys, fancy goods, jewellery and timepieces ..	180	59	578	..	79	16	48	18	..	12	17	3,739
18. Optical, surgical and scientific instruments ..	11	66	403	..	104	12	38	1	..	12	613	4,549
19. Drugs, fertilizers and chemicals ..	..	297	953	..	70	83	105	24	..	75	856	9,467
20. Miscellaneous ..	39	2,158	402	48	361	48	252	41	1	200	1,099	16,967
21. Gold and silver; bronze specie ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	876
Six months ended—												
December, 1953 ..	1,090	6,424	9,784	10,076	5,770	2,215	4,119	1,846	29	5,037	31,492	318,094
December, 1952 ..	465	3,681	7,551	10,918	2,760	3,674	2,689	1,195	81	3,128	45,848	232,513
Year 1952-53 ..	1,019	9,253	13,692	21,544	5,225	4,492	5,951	2,420	323	6,786	85,168	514,109
" 1951-52 ..	2,113	22,290	32,718	55,550	27,718	48,582	14,977	11,659	2,932	37,337	109,141	1,038,428
" 1950-51 ..	5,984	16,414	14,665	21,738	18,655	16,596	1,927	4,982	15,982	10,298	60,878	743,871
" 1949-50 ..	4,371	10,645	(a) 6,584	14,750	9,058	6,990	..	2,100	11,160	7,755	52,545	538,019
" 1938-39 ..	172	1,472	(a) 4,710	5,117	781	4,856	..	432	..	598	1,079	118,764

(c) Germany, Eastern and Western Zones.

(d) Includes outside packages not distributed according to countries.

EXPORTS FROM AUSTRALIA TO THE UNDERMENTIONED COUNTRIES.
(£A'000 l.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

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Classes of Goods.	United Kingdom.	Canada.	Ceylon.	Hong Kong.	India.	Ireland, Republic of.	Malaya, Federation of.	New Zealand.	Singapore.	Union of South Africa.	Holland and Lux-emburg.	Egypt.
1. Foodstuffs of animal origin . . .	39,929	750	968	948	897	1	2,053	42	2,160	41	103	903
2. Foodstuffs of vegetable origin; non-alcoholic beverages . . .	35,975	5,435	3,993	462	5,523	360	2,353	5,356	2,356	38	48	515
3. Spirituous and alcoholic liquors . . .	253	181	2	6	3	..	17	54	23	..	..	..
4. Tobacco . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
5. Live animals . . .	1	..	..	17	3	..	1	37	186	..	..	..
6. Animal substances not foodstuffs . . .	63,618	957	..	317	302	743	..	237	50	1,155	15,940	424
7. Vegetable substances and fibres; cork and manufactures; plastic moulding materials and synthetic fibres . . .	42	10	..	1	39	..	1	257	3	13	12	1
8. Yarns and manufactured fibres, textiles, and apparel . . .	95	35	1	19	16	1	1	316	4	25	6	2
9. Oils, fats and waxes . . .	1,218	1	39	11	252	..	85	86	55	42	10	1
10. Pigments, paints, varnishes . . .	1	..	1	21	..	..	3	206	19	2	..	..
11. Rocks, minerals and hydrocarbons . . .	1,716	1	1	..	4	..	37	215	2	4	1,498	1
12. Metals, metal manufactures and machinery . . .	12,980	98	289	174	2,179	1	448	5,599	592	634	91	1
13. Rubber and leather and manufactures thereof . . .	957	5	6	247	9	..	13	157	53	55	19	..
14. Wood and wicker . . .	340	11	149	33	..	1	19	938	14	82	6	..
15. Earthenware, cement, china, glass, and stoneware . . .	3	..	..	1	4	1	..	187	12	..	..	..
16. Pulp, paper, paper manufactures, and stationery . . .	90	2	2	1	9	..	7	789	18	..	..	..
17. Sporting materials, toys, fancy goods, jewellery and timepieces . . .	19	3	6	11	1	..	1	96	17	24	..	..
18. Optical, surgical and scientific instruments . . .	61	1	1	5	39	..	2	379	19	11	..	..
19. Drugs, fertilizers and chemicals . . .	294	13	38	55	24	..	62	707	66	24	1	19
20. Miscellaneous . . .	576	29	71	147	23	1	45	1,088	256	32	2	1
21. Gold and silver; bronze specie . . .	5,833	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..
Six months ended—												
December, 1953 . . .	163,699	7,532	5,654	2,476	9,332	1,109	5,168	17,158	5,800	2,190	17,730	1,988
December, 1952 . . .	178,856	5,231	5,355	2,741	9,892	1,730	4,516	14,851	6,956	1,444	15,408	2,265
Year 1952-53 . . .	359,557	8,712	14,687	4,855	17,148	4,354	9,344	28,677	12,794	3,640	32,141	2,874
1951-52 . . .	308,159	9,177	19,630	8,800	16,911	2,428	8,532	37,321	11,810	3,528	34,940	8,970
1950-51 . . .	323,605	17,212	8,350	6,968	2,981	3,035	8,214	20,385	10,875	4,178	48,245	22,306
1949-50 . . .	237,526	9,048	6,070	6,848	37,034	865	5,566	21,256	8,071	2,832	27,492	9,096
1938-39 . . .	68,716	1,994	1,927	475	1,965	327	1,911	6,682	(a)	813	5,547	801

(a) Included with Federation of Malaya.

OVERSEA TRADE.

Exports from Australia to the Undermentioned Countries—continued.
(£A'000 l.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Classes of Goods.	France.	Germany, Federal Republic of.	Indonesia, Republic of.	Italy.	Japan.	Netherlands.	Peru.	Poland.	Soviet Russia.	Sweden.	United States of America.	Total All Countries.
1. Foodstuffs of animal origin . . .	27	158	58	96	471	65	1	..	934	7	643	56,472
2. Foodstuffs of vegetable origin; non-alcoholic beverages . . .	3	728	3,392	760	1,627	327	1	..	..	741	75	81,400
3. Spirituous and alcoholic liquors . . .	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	768
4. Tobacco . . .	..	..	..	..	29	..	..	..	..	..	145	1
5. Live animals . . .	..	..	3	..	66	6	..	..	..	..	13	380
6. Animal substances not foodstuffs . . .	40,237	11,684	..	26,670	21,766	1,301	56	3,141	12,283	501	15,891	227,933
7. Vegetable substances and fibres; cork and manufactures; plastic moulding materials and synthetic fibres . . .	3	16	7	15	2	17	..	..	..	..	3	741
8. Yarns and manufactured fibres, textiles, and apparel . . .	1	157	9	157	9	8	..	..	..	226	24	1,108
9. Oils, fats and waxes . . .	1	353	5	100	6	586	..	..	..	..	..	440
10. Pigments, paints, varnishes . . .	..	..	31	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
11. Rocks, minerals and hydrocarbons . . .	176	266	1	75	245	146	..	17	..	79	8,378	8,997
12. Metals, metal manufactures and machinery . . .	16	177	364	382	1,004	350	2	..	..	44	7,748	37,534
13. Rubber and leather and manufactures thereof . . .	..	..	..	18	1	4	..	..	..	13	5	1,796
14. Wood and wicker . . .	..	4	3	..	53	26	..	..	..	..	16	2,150
15. Earthenware, cement, china, glass, and stoneware . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	346
16. Pulp, paper, paper manufactures, and stationery . . .	..	..	11	4	10	1	..	..	..	..	6	1,105
17. Sporting materials, toys, fancy goods, jewellery and timepieces . . .	1	19	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	51	324
18. Optical, surgical and scientific instruments . . .	1	1	1	1	14	4	..	..	..	..	110	865
19. Drugs, fertilizers and chemicals . . .	20	13	81	3	147	10	1	..	..	1	83	2,193
20. Miscellaneous . . .	136	20	16	10	518	13	..	1	..	..	124	8,716
21. Gold and silver; bronze specie . . .	3,363	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	20	9,779
Six months ended—												
December, 1953 . . .	43,985	13,446	3,976	28,191	26,567	2,864	61	3,159	13,217	1,623	28,492	443,891
December, 1952 . . .	37,470	11,164	2,330	20,021	34,748	4,565	132	1,668	11	902	29,258	413,806
Year 1952-53 . . .	76,016	22,366	5,094	44,706	83,858	8,091	327	3,644	1,642	2,686	57,837	871,572
1951-52 . . .	57,875	20,839	3,987	37,998	49,514	11,355	439	5,068	6,068	77,515	675,006	..
1950-51 . . .	89,339	27,737	3,243	49,010	61,350	11,240	1,280	14,745	6,396	12,426	148,830	981,796
1949-50 . . .	40,661	(a) 16,578	507	19,406	23,974	9,978	1,774	13,169	11,187	5,044	49,844	613,697
1938-39 . . .	9,386	(a) 2,662	1,380	1,211	4,865	1,059	3	426	278	637	13,862	140,499

(a) Germany, Eastern and Western Zones.

OVERSEA TRADE.

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CUSTOMS AND EXCISE REVENUE—AUSTRALIA.

(£A'000.)

Division.	March Quarter.		Nine Months ended March.	
	1953.	1954.	1953.	1954.
CUSTOMS.				
1. Ale, Spirits and Beverages ..	496	512	1,502	1,720
2. Tobacco and Manufacture thereof ..	4,400	4,458	14,517	14,776
3. Sugar ..	1	1	2	2
4. Agricultural Products and Groceries ..	313	527	866	1,316
5. Textiles, &c. and Attire ..	815	3,048	2,234	7,661
6. Metals and Machinery ..	2,553	3,127	7,095	8,461
7. Oils, Paints and Varnishes ..	6,430	7,253	19,074	21,139
8. Earthenware, &c. ..	184	421	491	1,140
9. Drugs and Chemicals ..	113	210	342	538
10. Wood, Wicker and Cane ..	57	273	215	732
11. Jewellery and Fancy Goods ..	270	573	826	1,875
12. Leather and Rubber ..	164	319	530	929
13. Paper and Stationery ..	108	220	270	595
14. Vehicles ..	775	1,345	1,893	3,810
15. Musical Instruments ..	8	14	22	39
16. Miscellaneous ..	298	594	772	1,685
Primage ..	1,742	2,108	5,280	6,472
Ships' Stores ..	26	32	88	93
Other Miscellaneous Receipts ..	173	167	488	565
Total Customs ..	18,925	25,192	56,505	73,548
EXCISE.				
Beer ..	17,815	18,635	50,225	54,467
Cigarette Papers ..	275	272	755	815
Coal ..	113	119	419	424
Matches ..	213	263	694	822
Petrol ..	894	1,148	2,824	3,207
Playing Cards ..	10	9	29	38
Spirits ..	1,374	1,289	5,018	4,836
Tobacco, Cigars, Cigarettes and Snuff ..	8,602	9,903	25,144	24,395
Other Excise, including Licences ..	81	98	196	320
Total Excise ..	29,477	31,736	85,304	94,174
Total Gross Customs and Excise Collections ..	48,402	56,928	141,809	167,722
Refunds and Drawback paid ..	1,422	774	4,932	3,314
TOTAL NET REVENUE ..	46,980	56,154	136,877	164,408

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES IMPORTED INTO AND EXPORTED FROM AUSTRALIA.
IMPORTS.

(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Particulars.	March Quarter.		Nine Months ended March.	
	1953.	1954.	1953.	1954.
CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN.				
Fish—				
Fresh or Preserved by Cold Process ..	204	353	539	698
Preserved in Airtight Vessels ..	133	1,005	463	1,378
Other ..	82	135	281	342
Gelatine, edible ..	2	8	8	6
Meats—				
Sausage Casings ..	66	169	552	432
Other ..	4	9	10	699
Milk and Cream ..	1	1	1	8
Other Foodstuffs of Animal Origin ..	76	130	230	424
Total, Class I. ..	566	1,903	2,063	4,581
CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN; NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES.				
Caramel and Cocoa Butter ..	67	434	182	1,282
Cocoa and Chocolate, raw ..	550	1,064	677	1,341
Coffee and Chicory ..	238	400	607	1,553
Confectionery, Cocoa and Chocolate ..	8	38	51	101
Fruits—				
Dried ..	108	171	139	270
Fresh ..	5	11	13	25
Preserved in liquid ..	5	11	13	25
Ginger ..	3	5	21	54
Grain and Pulse—				
Prepared ..	1	6	14	15
Unprepared ..	32	151	213	330
Hops ..	214	213	270	412
Liquorice ..	10	17	25	34
Malt and Malt Extract ..	1	1	4	3
Nuts, edible ..	313	365	739	1,171
Pickles and Sauces ..	4	32	14	70
Sago and Tapioca ..	36	8	69	69
Soups ..	6	5	8	17
Spices ..	102	154	432	476
Sugar and Sugar Syrups ..	29	23	131	102
Tea ..	2,553	3,943	7,680	10,191
Vegetables preserved in liquid ..	8	43	20	62
Other Foodstuffs of Vegetable Origin ..	28	74	88	168
Total, Class II. ..	4,318	7,158	11,367	17,747
CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS AND ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS.				
Ale, Beer, Porter, Cider and Perry ..	2	10	25	30
Spirits (Beverages)—				
Brandy ..	2	16	4	31
Gin ..	1	12	5	25
Rum ..	3	1	10	11
Whisky ..	87	289	752	667
Other, including Liqueurs and Bitters ..	3	24	10	46
Wine, Fermented—				
Sparkling ..	1	17	3	24
Other ..	1	17	6	39
Total, Class III. ..	100	386	815	874

Value of Principal Commodities, &c.—Imports—continued.
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Particulars.	March Quarter.		Nine Months ended March.	
	1953.	1954.	1953.	1954.
CLASS IV.—TOBACCO.				
Cigarettes	984	944	2,554	4,367
Cigars	7	29	13	87
Snuff	1	1	..	3
Tobacco—				
Manufactured	39	23	71	79
Unmanufactured	5,046	4,837	9,778	9,725
Total, Class IV.	6,076	5,834	12,416	14,200
CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS	222	202	379	363
CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES, NOT FOOD-STUFFS.				
Hair and Fibre	104	212	208	577
Hides and Skins—				
Calf, Cattle and Horse	12	35	50	128
Furred Skins	48	145	135	358
Goat	8	54	77	136
Other	7	25	26	64
Shells	24	71	74	180
Silk, raw	17	20	17	57
Wool	326	653	474	1,647
Other Animal Substances	22	44	131	135
Total, Class VI.	568	1,269	1,192	3,282
CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES; CORK AND MANUFACTURES; PLASTIC MOULDING MATERIALS AND SYNTHETIC FIBRES.				
Copra	433	602	1,951	1,619
Cork and Manufactures	61	144	195	345
Fibres—				
Cole	54	80	154	232
Cotton, raw (including lint and waste)	1,579	1,930	4,337	5,437
Flax and Hemp	111	22	172	124
Jute	10	269	45	559
Kapok	73	75	227	325
Synthetic Fibres and Filaments	327	203	599	940
Other	103	409	2,013	1,317
Grasses and Straws	3	4	13	20
Gums and Resins	156	313	476	856
Plastic Materials	535	1,316	1,229	3,915
Seeds—				
Gardening and Horticultural	178	294	377	701
Linseed	19	70	36	78
Other	148	133	314	412
Tanning Substances	97	94	186	291
Other Vegetable Substances	..	..	..	..
Total, Class VII.	3,887	6,018	12,270	17,071

Value of Principal Commodities, &c.—Imports—continued.
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Particulars.	March Quarter.		Nine Months ended March.	
	1953.	1954.	1953.	1954.
CLASS VIII.—YARNS AND MANUFACTURED FIBRES, TEXTILES AND APPAREL:				
(a) Yarns and Manufactured Fibres—				
Bags and Sacks—				
Chaff, Bran and Compressed Fodder	281	204	3,458	3,064
Corn and Flour	21	411	1,719	890
Woolpacks	10	18	81	68
Other	43	106	109	275
Cordage and Twines	355	585	755	1,766
Sewing and Other Cotton	..	..	..	..
Yarns—				
Cotton	416	705	943	2,205
Hair	131	129	209	300
Rayon and Silk	1,686	2,480	3,455	7,676
Wool	42	89	74	172
Other	16	44	56	85
Total, Class VIII.(a)	2,881	4,751	10,888	16,501
(b) Textiles—				
Blankets and Blanketing	23	90	59	210
Carpets, Linoleums, &c.	628	3,485	1,152	7,695
Curtains, Cushions, D'oyles, &c.	40	46	85	217
Handkerchiefs, Serviettes, &c.	110	166	257	824
Piece Goods—				
Canvas and Duck	225	306	1,044	1,017
Cotton and Linen	3,046	10,182	9,125	28,747
Fabrics and Felts, impregnated	64	240	205	654
Hessian and Other Jute	263	685	1,097	1,942
Moquettes	15	84	24	163
Rayon and Silk	1,392	3,702	4,862	10,867
Velvets, Velveteens, &c.	87	626	141	1,010
Woolen	75	490	214	1,048
Other	174	378	764	1,001
Quilts, Tablecovers, Sheets, &c.	8	50	22	129
Rugs and Rugging	6	10	11	26
Towels and Towelling	98	295	213	785
Other Textiles	58	152	182	455
Total, Class VIII.(b)	6,312	20,851	19,457	56,790
(c) Apparel—				
Blouses, E' rts, Costumes, &c.—				
Knitted	30	237	87	414
Other than Knitted	27	122	47	250
Boots and Shoes	62	207	144	466
Buttons	15	117	32	297
Furs and Other Skins	3	12	6	28
Cloves	97	475	281	1,122
Hats and Caps	113	302	262	754
Men's and Boys' Outer Clothing	59	214	108	324
Shirts, Collars, Ties, &c.	16	40	30	135
Socks and Stockings	21	237	96	578
Trimmings and Ornaments	369	1,308	820	3,398

Value of Principal Commodities, &c.—Imports—continued.
(SA'000 L.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Particulars.	March Quarter.		Nine Months ended March.	
	1933.	1934.	1933.	1934.
CLASS VIII.—YARNS AND MANUFACTURED FIBRES, TEXTILES AND APPAREL—continued.				
(c) Apparel—continued.				
Umbrellas and Sunshades	20	34	48	118
Other Apparel	58	199	168	581
Total, Class VIII.(c)	890	3,504	2,117	8,435
Total, Class VIII.	10,083	29,206	32,462	81,726
CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS AND WAXES.				
Fats and Waxes, &c.	58	207	290	489
Oils—				
Castor	13	33	66	235
Linseed	83	424	225	1,138
Olive	85	183	212	490
Petroleum—				
Kerosene	1,537	1,308	4,952	4,826
Lubricating (Mineral)	368	903	3,540	2,277
Residual and Solar	3,192	3,924	12,093	13,067
Spirit	9,669	10,611	27,308	30,576
Other	2,070	3,085	7,008	7,942
Tung (China Wood)	93	44	183	222
Turpentine	11	8	20	41
Other	120	176	323	584
Total, Class IX.	17,289	21,183	56,155	61,894
CLASS X.—PIGMENTS, PAINTS AND VARNISHES.				
Coloured Pigments	257	819	707	2,534
Paints and Colours	22	38	50	107
Varnishes, Stains, &c.	11	19	23	70
Total, Class X	290	876	780	2,611
CLASS XI.—ROCKS, MINERALS AND HYDRO-CARBONS.				
Asbestos	361	373	1,504	1,364
Asphalt, Bitumen and Pitch	74	56	263	123
Coal	57	—	492	10
Coke	2	3	5	118
Stones—				
Abrasives (Natural)	140	39	493	203
Other	6	15	10	47
Sulphur	608	598	2,160	1,805
Other Minerals, &c.	130	202	327	534
Total, Class XI.	1,278	1,274	5,224	4,204

Value of Principal Commodities, &c.—Imports—continued.
(SA'000 L.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Particulars.	March Quarter.		Nine Months ended March.	
	1933.	1934.	1933.	1934.
CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES AND MACHINERY.				
(a) Metals and Metal Manufactures—				
Aluminium and Aluminium-base Alloys—				
Blocks, Ingots, &c. (excluding Wire and Cable)	665	651	1,874	2,022
Baths, Sinks and other Hollow-ware ..	14	16	43	58
Bolts, Nuts, Rivets and Washers ..	170	134	595	431
Copper and Copper-base Alloys—				
Pigs, Ingots, &c.	556	3	4,768	32
Rods, Bars	239	74	870	139
Other (excluding Wire and Cable) ..	85	127	887	411
Heating and Cooking Appliances ..	229	347	436	894
Iron and Steel (including special Ferro-Alloys)—				
Bars, Rods, Hoops, Ingots, &c. ..	816	590	3,370	1,357
Boards, &c.	427	280	2,000	755
Ferro-Alloys (mainly in lump form) ..	25	142	368	285
Pig and Scrap, &c.	1	3	1	8
Pipes, Tubes and Fittings therefor ..	686	772	1,723	2,061
Plate and Sheet—				
Galvanized—				
Corrugated	80	377	538	905
Flat	3	28	183	40
Plain	1,461	967	5,244	2,137
Tinned	4,182	2,557	10,476	5,019
Rails, Fish-plates, Fish-bolts, &c. ..	839	8	1,739	92
Kitchenware	24	91	59	250
Lamps and Lampware	98	122	331	295
Leaf and Foil	97	240	256	578
Metal Furniture	97	57	36	141
Meters and Parts	417	804	1,349	2,127
Nails	76	33	143	75
Pins, Hooks, Eyes, Crochet Hooks ..	39	71	78	195
Platedware and Cutlery	280	527	688	1,670
Tin Ingots, &c.	—	10	—	390
Tools of Trade	465	916	1,144	2,559
Vehicles—Aircraft and Parts	5,436	755	10,639	4,837
Cycles and Cycle Parts	57	121	118	430
Motor Cycles, Side-cars, &c. ..	229	440	339	986
Motor Vehicles—				
Bodies and Parts	974	2,046	2,390	6,070
Chassis and Parts	7,466	10,577	18,753	30,072
Other and Parts	2,460	2,838	7,937	8,221
Wire—				
Single Strand—				
Copper and Copper-base Alloys ..	85	78	259	252
Iron and Steel	62	83	461	222
Other	128	89	307	235
Manufactures*—				
Copper and Copper-base Alloys ..	17	3	71	23
Iron and Steel	234	434	679	1,020
Other	102	215	140	786
Other Metals and Semi-manufactures†	368	366	1,000	1,140
Other Metal Manufactures	1,932	2,892	5,533	7,831
Total, Class XII.(a)	31,551	31,154	86,944	88,827

* For covered cable and wire, see Class XIII.(A)

† Includes all basic shapes, castings and forgings in the rough and pipes and tubes flexible or coated.

Value of Principal Commodities, &c.—Imports—continued.
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Particulars.	March Quarter.		Nine Months ended March.	
	1953.	1954.	1953.	1954.
CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES AND MACHINERY—continued.				
(b) <i>Dynamo Electrical Machinery, and Electrical Appliances and Equipment—</i>				
Batteries and Accumulators	71	109	287	288
Cable and Wire, covered	1,150	328	2,750	1,512
Communication Equipment, including Radio	998	840	2,344	1,843
Dynamo Electric Machines	1,934	1,801	4,975	5,020
Heating and Cooking Appliances	62	139	305	344
Lamps, Filament	130	347	221	877
Protective Equipment	207	133	588	396
Regulating, Starting and Controlling Apparatus	1,427	1,097	3,870	3,166
Sparkling Plugs	101	160	224	391
Transformers and Rectifiers	1,171	1,049	3,198	3,024
Electrical Machinery and Appliances, n.e.i.	623	749	1,611	2,016
Total, Class XII.(b)	7,872	6,552	20,153	18,867
(c) <i>Machines and Machinery (except Dynamo Electrical)—</i>				
Air and Gas Compressors	154	169	519	610
Agricultural, Horticultural, &c., Machinery	446	729	3,046	3,734
Cranes, Hoists and other Lifting Machinery	482	301	940	1,203
Dairying Machinery	234	153	631	482
Hand Tools	283	424	645	1,150
Household Machines, (excepting Sewing and Refrigerating)—				
Vacuum Cleaners	14	146	43	270
Washing Machines	54	364	129	687
Other	46	213	93	459
Metal-working Machinery	2,449	2,085	6,743	5,989
Mining Machinery	1,196	1,137	5,638	3,505
Motive Power (excluding Electrical) Machinery—				
Tractors and Parts	2,928	4,971	8,649	13,777
Other and Parts	6,168	6,087	17,031	16,841
Office and Accounting Machines	817	1,226	2,470	3,202
Packaging Machinery	211	97	441	305
Paper-making Machinery	58	134	425	276
Printing Machinery	546	408	1,108	1,054
Refrigerating Appliances	114	328	318	947
Roller and Ball Bearings	652	659	2,264	1,828
Sewing Machines	495	770	1,202	2,019
Textile-working Machinery and Appliances	751	1,116	1,986	2,770
Weighing Machines	77	80	220	273
Other Machines and Machinery	4,980	3,916	13,894	11,825
Total, Class XII.(c)	23,144	25,503	68,435	73,296
Total, Class XII.	62,567	63,209	175,532	178,990

Value of Principal Commodities, &c.—Imports—continued.
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Particulars.	March Quarter.		Nine Months ended March.	
	1953.	1954.	1953.	1954.
CLASS XIII.—RUBBER AND LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF.				
(a) <i>Rubber and Rubber Manufactures—</i>				
Rubber—Crude, Waste and Masticated Rubber Manufactures—	1,226	1,393	3,578	5,537
Elastics, Rubber Thread	93	319	225	787
Floor Coverings	7	11	24	33
Rubber Tyres	220	365	1,381	947
Other	144	203	309	521
Total, Class XIII.(a)	1,696	2,201	5,527	7,825
(b) <i>Leather and Leather Manufactures—</i>				
Leather	54	91	109	266
Leather Manufactures	38	57	123	158
Total, Class XIII.(b)	92	148	232	424
Total, Class XIII.	1,788	2,439	5,759	8,249
CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER.				
Manufactures of Timber—				
Furniture	14	47	49	113
Plywood	14	38	77	101
Other	64	186	362	482
Timber—				
Dressed, Bent, or Cut into Shape	75	278	620	813
Undressed (including Logs)	764	2,343	2,849	6,485
Wicker, Bamboo and Cane	30	69	88	215
Total, Class XIV.	961	2,951	3,844	8,209
CLASS XV.—EARTHENWARE, CEMENT, CHINA, GLASS AND STONEWARE.				
Abbrasives (Synthetic)	129	285	520	618
Cement	112	149	646	476
Cement, Asbestos, &c., Manufactures	31	1	199	4
Crockery and Other Householdware	331	1,126	737	2,909
Glass and Glassware	614	1,100	1,316	3,359
Porcelain for Electrical Purposes	88	36	288	196
Tiles	148	275	234	672
Other Earthenware, China, &c.	69	123	207	280
Total, Class XV.	1,622	3,095	4,147	8,514

Value of Principal Commodities, &c.—Imports—continued.
(£A'000 L.o.B. Port of Shipment.)

Particulars.	March Quarter.		Nine Months ended March.	
	1953.	1954.	1953.	1954.
CLASS XVI.—PAPER AND STATIONERY.				
(a) Pulp, Paper and Board—				
Millboards and Other Boards ..	172	293	294	787
Paper—				
Printing ..	2,053	3,087	6,289	9,871
Tissue and Cap (including Cigarette)	222	421	372	1,116
Wrapping ..	624	849	1,258	2,197
Writing and Typewriting ..	272	370	811	1,088
Other ..	232	347	664	801
Parchment ..	18	18	73	46
Pulp for Paper-making ..	618	1,087	2,065	2,651
Total, Class XVI.(a) ..	4,211	6,472	11,936	18,627
(b) Paper Manufactures and Stationery—				
Advertising Matter ..	27	64	94	190
Books (Printed), Directories, &c.	1,085	1,276	3,514	4,435
Pens and Pencils ..	75	281	282	929
Other Stationery, &c. ..	305	448	725	1,284
Total, Class XVI.(b) ..	1,492	2,069	4,615	6,838
Total, Class XVI. ..	5,703	8,541	16,551	25,465
CLASS XVII.—SPORTING MATERIALS, TOYS, FANCY GOODS, JEWELLERY AND TIMEPIECES.				
Articles for Games ..	26	103	66	284
Fancy Goods ..	49	258	145	760
Jewellery ..	71	310	211	810
Precious Stones, Unset ..	174	181	313	703
Timepieces, Watches, Clocks, &c. ..	210	583	682	1,706
Toys ..	37	209	166	1,119
Total, Class XVII. ..	567	1,644	1,573	5,382
CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS AND APPLIANCES AND PHOTOGRAPHIC GOODS, N.E.E.				
Cameras and Photographic Goods ..	149	395	335	1,067
Films for Cinematographs ..	323	443	1,099	1,250
Instruments—				
Optical and Meteorological ..	71	213	268	708
Surgical and Dental ..	268	492	790	1,334
Talking Machines—Photographs, &c.	127	286	224	859
Other Instruments, &c. ..	409	639	1,267	1,771
Total, Class XVIII. ..	1,347	2,468	3,923	7,017

Value of Principal Commodities, &c.—Imports—continued.
(£A'000 L.o.B. Port of Shipment.)

Particulars.	March Quarter.		Nine Months ended March.	
	1953.	1954.	1953.	1954.
CLASS XIX.—DRUGS, FERTILIZERS AND CHEMICALS.				
GALA ..				
Acids ..	69	125	196	334
Argol ..	18	27	53	58
Caustic Soda ..	9	4	14	9
Drugs, Medicinal Preparations—				
Proprietary Medicines ..	563	978	1,638	2,519
Other ..	341	529	837	1,521
Dyes ..	132	403	370	1,136
Fertilizers ..	646	775	2,259	2,446
Flavouring and Perfume Materials ..	6	23	15	46
Insecticides, Disinfectants, &c. ..	20	44	46	96
Oils, Essential (non-spirituous) ..	92	111	242	310
Perfumery and Toilet Preparations ..	54	93	117	324
Salt ..	14	52	30	137
Salts of Acids—				
Calcium ..	104	82	192	148
Copper ..	12	36	35	74
Magnesium ..	3	7	7	85
Potassium ..	22	34	58	89
Sodium—				
Carbonate ..	3	5	116	13
Cyanide ..	53	37	198	132
Other ..	87	201	230	508
Other ..	74	142	297	417
Soap ..	16	99	27	296
Spirituous Preparations ..	77	239	166	654
Other Drugs and Chemicals ..	635	1,923	2,235	4,124
Total, Class XIX. ..	3,050	5,939	9,373	15,406
CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS.				
Antiques, Paintings and Works of Art ..	119	56	193	166
Arms, Ammunition and Explosives ..	935	1,101	3,862	3,853
Articles of Asbestos, Collodion, Plastics, &c. ..	58	201	152	619
Bags, Baskets, Borse, &c. ..	30	127	95	412
Brushware ..	20	72	45	204
Musical Instruments—				
Pianos and Player Pianos ..	5	42	17	96
Piano and Player Piano Parts ..	5	8	12	26
Other and Parts ..	23	70	65	187
Outside Packages ..	2,379	3,334	7,016	9,442
Packings for Engines, &c. ..	191	231	527	688
Passengers' Effects ..	742	595	2,603	1,985
Prefabricated Buildings ..	3,293	488	8,862	3,944
Vessels (Ships) ..	213	383	850	1,471
Wall and Ceiling Parts, Decorations, &c.	37	105	146	314
All other articles ..	219	301	587	968
Total, Class XX. ..	8,249	7,112	25,062	24,080
Total, Merchandise ..	130,431	172,607	380,917	489,825

Value of Principal Commodities, &c.—Imports—continued.
(£A'000 l.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Particulars.	March Quarter.		Nine Months ended March.	
	1953.	1954.	1953.	1954.
CLASS XXI.—GOLD AND SILVER; BRONZE SPECIE.				
Bronze Specie	..	..	17	..
Gold, including Gold in Matte	597	1,186	2,541	2,037
Silver, including Silver in Matte	9	22	75	47
Total, Class XXI.	606	1,208	2,633	2,084
SUMMARY.				
Importing State or Territory—				
New South Wales	55,449	73,106	157,736	200,414
Victoria	44,207	59,710	129,485	172,485
Queensland	9,483	14,304	30,439	41,467
South Australia	10,697	12,994	32,795	37,065
Western Australia	7,173	9,620	22,337	30,295
Tasmania	3,706	3,322	10,349	9,769
Northern Territory	322	158	418	426
GRAND TOTAL	131,037	173,815	383,550	491,909

EXPORTS.

(£A'000 l.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN.				
Butter	4,548	4,931	15,784	11,816
Cheese	2,111	1,954	4,804	4,470
Eggs	1,444	2,556	7,699	7,961
Fish, Fresh or Preserved by Cold Process	530	629	795	803
Ghee	80	151	254	398
Honey	152	172	535	451
Infants' and Invalids' Foods	577	320	1,405	1,428
Margarine	6	8	37	53
Meats, Poultry and Game—				
Bacon and Ham	100	152	598	570
Potted or Concentrated	239	109	623	658
Preserved by Cold Process—				
Beef and Veal	3,972	2,806	8,893	17,785
Lamb	2,099	1,043	5,865	3,075
Mutton	1,198	855	1,980	1,668
Offals	469	343	1,225	1,387
Pork	144	73	371	340
Poultry	276	93	1,436	548
Rabbits and Hares	559	270	2,497	1,899
Preserved in Airtight Vessels	4,966	4,060	28,600	15,305
Seal Casings	504	452	1,390	1,070
Other	112	93	383	317
Milk and Cream	4,078	2,720	9,874	7,858
Other Foodstuffs of Animal Origin	176	215	504	517
Total, Class I.	28,342	23,905	93,252	80,377

Value of Principal Commodities, &c.—Exports—continued.
(£A'000 l.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Particulars.	March Quarter.		Nine Months ended March.	
	1953.	1954.	1953.	1954.
CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN, NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES.				
Biscuits, Cakes and Puddings	147	82	565	309
Confectionery, Cocoa and Chocolate	127	40	345	323
Fruit Juices, Syrups and Substitutes	213	455	1,044	833
Fruits—				
Dried—				
Currants	3	10	451	532
Raisins	156	33	2,714	3,245
Other	31	75	340	425
Fresh—				
Apples	643	888	2,152	1,173
Citrus	21	29	635	718
Other	588	717	672	764
Frozen	25	2	30	92
Preserved in Liquid	1,344	4,719	6,073	8,330
Pulped	227	338	381	556
Grain and Pulse—				
Prepared—				
Breakfast Foods	285	101	568	629
Flour (Wheaten)—Plain White	10,033	6,195	27,179	23,103
Other	(c)	221	(c)	664
Rice	561	836	1,439	2,841
Other	156	339	584	856
Unprepared—				
Barley	5,911	5,285	9,129	9,802
Maize	322	1	619	353
Oats	1,749	117	3,647	853
Peas (not split)	305	311	543	484
Sorghum	185	..	1,342	660
Wheat	11,503	6,140	30,185	25,638
Other	62	63	415	519
Jams and Fruit Jellies	53	54	550	236
Scrap	58	169	763	467
Sugar and Sugar Syrups	7,709	6,947	18,623	29,320
Tes	67	61	177	187
Vegetables—				
Preserved or Pulped	139	131	461	469
Other	178	137	1,208	375
Other Foodstuffs of Vegetable Origin	1,156	342	2,640	1,485
Total, Class II.	43,937	34,821	116,299	116,221
CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS AND ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS.				
Ale, Beer, Porter, Cider and Perry	50	115	206	290
Spirits (Beverages)	78	73	305	217
Wine	187	163	611	640
Total, Class III.	315	351	1,122	1,117
CLASS IV.—TOBACCO.				
Cigars, Cigarettes and Snuff	9	26	27	69
Tobacco	50	48	167	150
Total, Class IV.	59	74	194	219

(a) Included with Other Prepared Grain and Pulse.

Value of Principal Commodities, &c.—Exports—continued.
(SA'000 L.t.b. Port of Shipment.)

Particulars.	March Quarter.		Nine Months ended March.	
	1953.	1954.	1953.	1954.
CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS.				
Cattle	42	14	65	67
Horses	78	30	181	156
Sheep	80	73	230	230
Other Live Animals	18	34	55	74
Total, Class V.	218	151	531	531
CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES NOT FOODSTUFFS.				
Hides and Skins—				
Calf, Cattle and Horse	373	333	1,118	1,271
Fox			1	
Kangaroo and Wallaby	46	45	178	195
Opossum		1	31	137
Rabbit and Hare	133	88	750	775
Sheep	4,446	4,063	12,343	12,077
Other (including Sheep and Lamb-skin Pieces)	43	64	114	218
Pearl-shell	122	104	598	585
Trochus-shell	49	140	146	446
Wool—				
Greasy	103,875	101,486	266,099	294,048
Scoured and Washed, Carbonized, Tops, Noils and Waste	11,010	9,769	33,621	34,101
Other Animal Substances	155	106	494	398
Total, Class VI.	120,252	116,309	316,093	344,242
CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES, CORE AND MANUFACTURES; PLASTIC Moulding MATERIALS AND SYNTHETIC FIBRES.				
Fibres	1	1	13	18
Plastic Materials	72	118	197	310
Seeds	35	31	332	205
Tanning Substances	78	149	180	377
Other Vegetable Substances	66	66	133	188
Total, Class VII.	242	355	835	1,006
CLASS VIII.—YARNS AND MANUFACTURED FIBRES, TEXTILES AND APPAREL.				
(a) <i>Yarns and Manufactured Fibres—</i>				
Yarns—				
Woolen	5	18	29	106
Other	12	24	115	76
Other Manufactured Fibres	45	34	161	127
Total, Class VIII.(a)	62	76	305	306

Value of Principal Commodities, &c.—Exports—continued.
(SA'000 L.t.b. Port of Shipment.)

Particulars.	March Quarter.		Nine months ended March.	
	1953.	1954.	1953.	1954.
CLASS VIII.—YARNS AND MANUFACTURED FIBRES, TEXTILES AND APPAREL—continued.				
(b) <i>Textiles—</i>				
Blankets and Blanketing	4	4	12	16
Piece-goods—				
Cotton	36	34	145	127
Rayon	37	51	91	97
Woolen	40	57	130	152
Other	21	17	70	61
Other Textiles	81	169	240	545
Total, Class VIII.(b)	219	332	688	998
(c) <i>Apparel—</i>				
F. of wear	16	20	94	63
Costumes, Blouses, Coats, &c.	19	26	70	72
Underwear and Sleeping Attire	11	18	49	51
Other Apparel	32	22	170	112
Total, Class VIII.(c)	78	86	383	298
Total, Class VIII.	359	494	1,376	1,602
CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS AND WAXES.				
Fats and Waxes, &c.—				
Edible Animal Fats	106	60	274	185
Fatty Acids	58	51	200	404
Tallow, unrefined	663	754	1,139	2,180
Other	43	36	112	115
Oils—				
Petroleum and Shale	136	169	954	478
Other	253	50	1,442	1,480
Total, Class IX.	1,259	1,120	4,121	4,842
CLASS X.—Pigments, Paints and Varnishes ..	139	185	484	625
CLASS XI.—ROCKS, MINERALS AND HYDRO-CARBONS.				
Coal	521	460	1,013	1,356
Ors and Concentrates—				
Lead and Silver-lead	548	685	2,091	3,114
Residues and Wastes	58	77	453	447
Titanium and Zirconium	635	341	1,634	1,296
Tungsten	903	413	2,723	2,047
Zinc	2,378	892	9,678	2,474
Other	29	27	69	510
Other Stones and Minerals	162	250	556	908
Total, Class XI.	5,134	3,145	18,218	12,142

Value of Principal Commodities, &c.—Exports—continued.
(£A'000 L.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Particulars.	March Quarter.		Nine Months ended March.	
	1953.	1954.	1953.	1954.
CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES AND MACHINERY.				
(a) Metals and Manufactures—				
Builders' and Engineering Hardware ..	90	103	242	306
Cadmium	37	75	178	390
Iron and Steel	3,089	1,976	5,916	11,637
Lead—				
Bullion and Silver-lead Bullion ..	2,530	615	7,152	3,101
Pig	1,756	4,980	12,961	14,883
Other	14	261	30	837
Platinum	3	8	14	17
Tin Ingots	64	19	607	40
Tools of Trade	72	80	235	231
Vehicles and Parts	431	529	1,436	2,010
Zinc Bars, Blocks, etc.	1,536	1,082	5,570	2,797
Other Metals (including Single Strand Wire)	1,736	1,447	3,048	5,150
Other Metal Manufactures	711	603	2,093	2,195
Total, Class XII.(a)	12,069	11,782	39,572	43,683
(b) Dynamo Electrical Machinery, Appliances and Equipment—				
Batteries and Accumulators	72	82	233	297
Communication Equipment	85	142	370	393
Other Electrical Appliances	213	190	641	746
Total, Class XII.(b)	370	414	1,244	1,421
(c) Machines and Machinery (Except Dynamo Electrical)—				
Aircraft Engines and Parts	183	153	698	717
Agricultural, Horticultural, &c., Machinery	424	342	979	961
Motive Power Machinery	270	249	726	905
Refrigerating Appliances	50	81	184	297
Other Machines and Machinery	863	1,039	3,048	3,590
Total, Class XII.(c)	1,790	1,864	5,635	6,490
Total, Class XII.	14,229	14,060	46,451	51,594
CLASS XIII.—RUBBER AND LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF.				
(a) Rubber and Rubber Manufactures	73	120	262	398
(b) Leather and Leather Manufactures—				
Leather—				
Hides—				
Sole	134	236	353	616
Other	425	299	999	1,000
Sheep and Lamb	80	35	174	199
Other	63	40	176	208
Leather Manufactures	25	21	75	76
Total, Class XIII.(b)	727	601	1,779	2,108
Total, Class XIII.	800	721	2,041	2,506

Value of Principal Commodities, &c.—Exports—continued.
(£A'000 L.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Particulars.	March Quarter.		Nine Months ended March.	
	1953.	1954.	1953.	1954.
CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER.				
Timber	800	506	3,085	2,480
Wood and Wicker Manufactures	61	60	236	235
Total, Class XIV.	861	566	3,321	2,715
CLASS XV.—EARTHENWARE, CEMENT, CHINA, GLASS AND STONEWARE.				
.. .. .	183	327	528	673
CLASS XVI.—PAPER AND STATIONERY.				
(a) Pulp Paper and Board	110	42	297	214
(b) Paper Manufactures and Stationery	331	396	1,178	1,329
Total, Class XVI.	441	438	1,475	1,543
CLASS XVII.—SPORTING MATERIALS, TOYS, FANCY GOODS, JEWELLERY AND TIMEPIECES.				
Precious Stones, Unset—Pearls, &c.	67	34	200	134
Sporting Goods	35	41	113	150
Other	33	28	107	142
Total, Class XVII.	135	103	420	426
CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS AND APPLIANCES AND PHOTOGRAPHIC GOODS, N.E.L.:				
Films for Cinematographs, &c.	82	79	247	240
Photographic Goods and Materials	100	87	318	390
Talking Machines, &c.	26	24	55	59
Other Instruments, &c.	148	208	357	574
Total, Class XVIII.	356	398	977	1,263
CLASS XIX.—DRUGS, FERTILIZERS AND CHEMICALS.				
Acids	31	11	115	54
Casein	16	80	102	257
Fertilizers	3	1	30	19
Medicines	432	271	1,487	944
Oils, Essential—				
Eucalyptus	52	42	174	134
Other	15	9	35	30
Perfumery, Toilet Preparations and Soap	81	99	419	350
Salts of Acids	23	27	131	98
Other Drugs and Chemicals	417	271	1,434	1,109
Total, Class XIX.	1,070	811	3,927	2,995
CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS.				
Arms, Ammunition and Explosives	55	258	482	840
Military, Naval and Air Force Stores and Equipment	1,181	719	3,741	2,468
Vessels transferred abroad	107	198	182	232
All Other Articles	1,548	1,623	6,660	4,924
Total, Class XX.	2,891	2,798	10,974	8,514
Total, Merchandise	221,222	201,132	622,629	635,243

Value of Principal Commodities, &c.—Exports—continued.
(£A '000 L.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Particulars.	March Quarter.		Nine Months ended March.	
	1953.	1954.	1953.	1954.
CLASS XXI.—GOLD AND SILVER; BRONZE SPECIE.				
Bronze Specie			16	1
Gold, including Gold in Matte	4,127	2,148	15,203	10,794
Silver, including Silver in Matte	422	909	1,730	2,048
Total, Class XXI.	4,550	3,067	16,949	12,843
SUMMARY.				
State or Territory of Final Shipment—				
New South Wales	74,524	67,195	300,755	305,986
Victoria	59,358	53,837	166,038	155,437
Queensland	37,178	32,610	111,182	133,770
South Australia	26,823	26,456	82,809	88,476
Western Australia	21,278	17,973	83,809	54,888
Tasmania	6,910	6,883	15,891	10,428
Northern Territory		5	31	37
Australian Produce	224,067	202,342	633,315	663,197
Re-exports	1,715	1,847	6,263	5,883
Grand Total	225,772	204,189	639,578	668,080

TOTAL QUANTITIES OF PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES EXPORTED FROM AUSTRALIA.

Particulars.	Unit of Quantity.	March Quarter.		Nine Months ended March.	
		1953.	1954.	1953.	1954.
CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN.					
Butter	'000 lb.	25,722	27,703	86,424	64,637
Cheese	"	20,773	19,198	44,927	42,653
Processed Milk—					
Condensed	"	28,273	13,576	71,590	47,745
Dried	"	24,269	20,753	53,385	47,630
Infants' and Invalids' Foods	"	3,584	1,747	8,275	7,837
Eggs—					
In Shell	'000 doz.	1,731	787	20,447	11,735
Not in Shell	'000 lb.	6,949	17,203	23,370	35,628
Meats, Poultry and Game—					
Bacon and Hams	"	491	641	2,870	2,584
Preserved by Cold Process—					
Beef and Veal	"	54,811	36,037	122,694	260,561
Lamb	"	30,595	13,248	83,126	41,178
Mutton	"	30,755	25,512	57,494	46,825
Pork	"	1,092	412	2,713	2,031
Poultry	'000 pcs.	254	65	436	235
Rabbits and Hares	"	1,746	1,404	8,109	6,771
Preserved in Airtight Vessels	'000 lb.	32,051	29,992	184,311	107,603
Sausage Casings	cwt.	8,111	9,486	21,436	22,133

Total Quantities of Principal Commodities Exported from Australia—continued.

Particulars.	Unit of Quantity.	March Quarter.		Nine Months ended March.	
		1953.	1954.	1953.	1954.
CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN.					
Fruits—					
Dried—					
Currants	'000 lb.	81	207	8,842	11,834
Raisins	"	3,573	1,692	51,506	60,881
Tree Fruits	"	193	648	4,151	2,633
Fresh—					
Apples	bushel	435,335	678,443	1,490,019	833,086
Citrus	"	11,925	30,319	383,208	683,148
Other	"	281,731	373,920	236,485	384,009
Preserved in Liquid	'000 lb.	20,596	67,363	96,775	121,363
Pulped	"	3,639	4,617	5,854	8,112
Grain or Cereals—					
Prepared—					
Barley—Pearl and Scotch	"	61	69	192	201
Flour (Wheat), Plain White	"	463,212	327,524	1,282,952	1,141,711
Oatmeal and Rolled Oats	"	13,646	1,359	25,039	27,963
Rice	"	15,894	20,645	41,804	66,825
Unprepared—					
Barley	ton	189,176	321,028	229,081	358,486
Oats	"	92,625	4,334	151,332	49,841
Wheat	"	355,417	306,366	337,794	779,066
Jams and Fruit Jellies	'000 lb.	887	880	6,878	4,219
Sugar (Cane)	ton	163,211	161,397	386,259	658,232
Vegetables—Preserved or Pulped	'000 lb.	1,794	2,016	6,780	6,951
CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS LIQUORS.					
Wine	'000 gal.	290	245	929	971
CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES NOT FOODSTUFFS.					
Hides and Skins—					
Calf, Cattle and Horse	'000 lb.	3,913	4,508	12,166	16,865
Kangaroo and Wallaby	"	269	165	673	590
Rabbit and Hare	"	879	438	5,105	3,801
Sheep	'000	5,925	5,196	13,674	11,718
Wool—					
Greasy	'000 lb.	274,790	273,314	751,167	788,133
Scoured and Washed, Carbonized, Tops, Noils and Waste	"	24,554	21,876	80,660	70,295
CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS AND WAXES.					
Tallow, edible and inedible	ton	9,606	10,298	16,167	35,882
CLASS XI.—STORES AND MINERALS.					
Coal	ton	115,099	120,459	220,990	347,897
Orce and Concentrates	"	9,271	12,512	29,807	56,415
Lead and Silver-lead	"	47,704	68,103	187,003	195,925
Zinc	"				
CLASS XII.—METALS.					
Lead, Pig	ton	18,302	47,758	100,907	137,558
Zinc, Bars, Blocks, &c.	"	12,426	10,950	37,181	29,021

PRINCIPAL AGRICULTURAL, PASTORAL AND DAIRY PRODUCE OF AUSTRALIAN ORIGIN EXPORTED FROM AUSTRALIA.

Year.	Butter.	Cheese.	Meats.			
			Bacon and Ham.	Beef and Veal(a)	Mutton and Lamb,(a)	Pork(a)
QUANTITY. (⁰⁰⁰ lb.)						
1938-39	229,543	35,924	1,739	271,064	186,489	30,716
1949-50	177,452	51,404	5,592	182,361	193,092	14,975
1950-51	120,031	44,790	5,420	15,310	54,108	12,472
1951-52	25,417	40,316	5,077	95,878	31,153	3,898
1952-53	111,307	52,397	3,394	192,500	166,844	3,453
Nine months ended—						
March, 1953	86,332	44,927	2,870	122,696	140,820	2,713
March, 1954	64,622	42,645	2,584	200,560	87,949	2,031

VALUE. (£A ⁰⁰⁰ f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)						
1938-39 ..	12,892	1,074	120	4,324	4,807	882
1949-50 ..	24,670	4,145	738	8,705	7,453	1,068
1950-51 ..	18,469	4,025	822	6,648	2,984	1,051
1951-52 ..	4,593	4,064	934	5,230	1,719	485
1952-53 ..	20,209	5,786	727	13,739	8,761	471
Nine months ended—						
March, 1953 ..	15,761	4,804	598	8,893	7,645	371
March, 1954 ..	11,815	4,470	570	17,785	4,741	340

(a) Preserved by cold process.

Year.	Fruits, Dried.		Fruits Preserved in Liquid.	Wheat.	Flour.	Wool.	
	Vine.	Tree.				Greasy.	Scoured. (a)
QUANTITY.							
1938-39..	'000 lb. 164,213	'000 lb. 3,915	'000 lb. 81,279	tons. 1,690,974	'000 lb. 1,450,130	'000 lb. 793,384	'000 lb. 70,881
1949-50..	78,775	8,325	101,167	1,100,600	1,542,218	1,057,653	162,983
1950-51..	70,950	21,139	97,662	2,324,516	1,766,020	907,431	127,601
1951-52..	84,386	13,701	110,348	1,685,382	1,578,033	823,953	97,775
1952-53..	155,472	6,708	142,831	1,683,963	1,737,774	981,493	107,338
Nine months ended—							
March, 1953..	60,347	4,151	96,768	937,794	1,282,952	751,167	80,643
March, 1954..	77,715	3,633	121,345	779,056	1,141,711	788,133	70,301

VALUE. (£A ⁰⁰⁰ f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)							
1938-39 ..	2,747	118	1,267	8,735	4,540	37,305	5,324
1949-50 ..	2,227	597	4,018	62,173	26,333	265,037	48,099
1950-51 ..	3,303	1,359	4,968	74,151	32,894	548,891	84,407
1951-52 ..	4,008	1,053	6,500	55,327	33,018	279,481	44,948
1952-53 ..	7,448	681	9,274	52,267	37,416	350,181	46,690
Nine months ended—							
March, 1953 ..	3,165	339	6,071	30,185	27,179	266,699	33,618
March, 1954 ..	3,777	423	8,328	25,638	21,103	294,048	34,099

(a) Includes scoured and washed, carbonized, tops, noils and waste.

PRINCIPAL AGRICULTURAL, PASTORAL AND DAIRY PRODUCE OF AUSTRALIAN ORIGIN EXPORTED TO VARIOUS COUNTRIES.

Country of Destination and State of Final Shipment.	Nine Months ended March—							
	1953.		1954.		1953.		1954.	
	⁰⁰⁰ lb.	£A ⁰⁰⁰ .	⁰⁰⁰ lb.	£A ⁰⁰⁰ .	⁰⁰⁰ lb.	£A ⁰⁰⁰ .	⁰⁰⁰ lb.	£A ⁰⁰⁰ .
	BUTTER.				CHEESE.			
United Kingdom ..	52,796	8,009	45,079	8,006	35,151	3,306	34,076	3,157
Australian Territories ..	354	67	317	55	64	10	110	17
Ceylon ..	1,141	224	1,341	257	330	54	319	58
Colombia (British) ..	282	57	235	49	7	1	—	—
Hong Kong ..	1,083	221	1,649	32	636	90	523	42
India ..	277	60	592	138	317	53	520	89
Malaya, Fed. of ..	1,194	278	565	135	154	22	72	13
Malta ..	534	101	574	92	280	34	453	57
Mauritius ..	841	81	392	66	56	6	122	21
Singapore ..	1,998	406	2,018	362	570	66	511	69
West Africa ..	216	53	212	51	159	27	220	38
West Indies ..	305	66	156	32	44	6	10	2
Barbados ..	863	173	466	100	155	28	27	4
Trinidad and Tobago ..	54	22	80	19	57	8	18	2
Windward Is. ..	223	49	53	9	123	19	95	14
Other ..	923	219	801	190	708	119	562	95
Other British Countries ..	343	86	271	69	20	4	49	10
Burma ..	1,073	204	747	145	1,164	137	864	118
Egypt ..	10,846	3,074	5	1	—	—	—	—
France ..	229	47	237	50	113	19	91	17
French Possessions—	624	132	92	24	11	2	3	1
New Caledonia ..	1,130	212	2	—	675	113	249	34
Other ..	4,930	967	1,548	309	1,164	197	1,523	180
Germany, Fed. Rep. of ..	2,771	552	1,454	309	1,164	197	1,523	180
Israel ..	108	23	46	7	289	48	174	28
Italy ..	334	84	190	48	2	—	—	—
Japan ..	253	53	305	70	997	167	1,065	178
Lebanon ..	334	84	190	48	2	—	—	—
Netherlands Antilles ..	253	53	305	70	997	167	1,065	178
Philippines ..	1,441	351	1,247	294	1,625	256	1,255	225
U.S.A. ..	2,865	568	1,601	324	1,280	194	822	44
Other Foreign Countries ..	37,456	6,799	30,725	5,283	29,118	3,313	31,792	3,461
New South Wales ..	40,819	7,515	28,475	5,248	5,093	545	2,684	305
Victoria ..	1,187	187	947	133	8,438	752	7,587	600
Queensland ..	92	10	80	15	2	—	—	—
South Australia ..	3,933	676	2,894	514	—	—	—	—
Tasmania ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total ..	86,332	15,761	64,622	11,815	44,927	4,804	42,645	4,470

Country of Destination and State of Final Shipment.	BACON AND HAM.				BEEF AND VEAL—(Preserved by Cold Process.)			
	⁰⁰⁰ lb.	£A ⁰⁰⁰ .	⁰⁰⁰ lb.	£A ⁰⁰⁰ .	⁰⁰⁰ lb.	£A ⁰⁰⁰ .	⁰⁰⁰ lb.	£A ⁰⁰⁰ .
United Kingdom ..	68	8	195	51	84,852	5,434	228,850	15,010
Bermuda ..	283	48	141	30	1,405	225	932	180
Ceylon ..	435	99	239	59	294	48	507	82
Hong Kong ..	—	—	—	—	9,123	399	3,399	240
Malta ..	11	—	—	—	4,338	313	1,515	119
Manila ..	1,094	210	1,001	234	9,764	911	5,071	412
West Indies (British) ..	124	29	128	18	1,391	132	1,416	155
Other British Countries ..	581	62	272	67	5,143	324	3,702	387
Arabian States—	6	2	6	2	1,523	306	449	84
Saudi Arabia ..	44	10	121	30	378	61	466	70
Other ..	471	102	308	59	6,098	497	7,149	521
Egypt ..	—	—	—	—	1,952	134	478	53
United States of America ..	67	18	78	17	545	89	6,914	582
Other Foreign Countries ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
New South Wales ..	591	120	560	108	10,892	1,627	39,798	2,751
Victoria ..	257	51	125	36	2,276	255	6,868	601
Queensland ..	873	208	668	132	91,355	6,472	198,949	13,588
South Australia ..	307	71	152	37	591	45	1,954	112
Western Australia ..	742	153	779	165	8,602	514	13,005	838
Total ..	2,570	598	2,584	670	122,696	8,893	260,560	17,768

NOTE.—Values in Australian currency, f.o.b., port of shipment.

Principal Agricultural, Pastoral and Dairy Produce of Australian Origin Exported to Various Countries—continued.

Country of Destination and State of Final Shipment.	Nine Months ended March—							
	1953.				1954.			
	'000 lb.	EA'000.	'000 lb.	EA'000.	'000 lb.	EA'000.	'000 lb.	EA'000.
MEAT AND LAMB (Preserved by Cold Process.)				PORE (Preserved by Cold Process.)				
United Kingdom ..	126,112	6,624	67,633	3,609	852	85	92	9
Canada ..	681	27	1,563	138	..	..	..	..
Ceylon ..	345	24	424	37	5	1	41	5
Hong Kong ..	1,722	98	607	45	..	..	..	..
Malaya, Fed. of ..	404	25	145	12	50	8	202	10
Singapore ..	2,067	129	4,288	268	930	141	597	100
West Indies ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bahamas ..	134	13	46	5	20	3	..	..
Other ..	51	4	37	3	11	2	3	1
Other British Countries ..	2,017	186	2,150	160	223	50	831	67
Belgium ..	..	..	1,749	64	..	..	..	..
Egypt ..	1,930	91	1,157	54	334	49	113	19
U.S.R. ..	..	..	4,841	205	..	..	..	..
United States of America ..	4,434	386	1,082	80	32	4	..	..
Other Foreign Countries ..	633	68	2,164	161	156	28	624	108
New South Wales ..	19,164	1,084	20,130	1,015	145	21	300	56
Victoria ..	89,889	4,377	42,087	2,358	372	55	175	32
Queensland ..	324	14	201	9	1,413	178	1,413	239
South Australia ..	24,406	1,400	19,146	963	756	113	136	24
Western Australia ..	12,973	695	6,257	383	..	..	..	..
Tasmania ..	104	8	156	13	..	..	..	..
Total ..	140,620	7,645	87,049	4,741	2,713	371	2,031	360
Country of Destination and State of Final Shipment.	Nine Months ended March—							
	1953.				1954.			
	'000 lb.	EA'000.	'000 lb.	EA'000.	'000 lb.	EA'000.	'000 lb.	EA'000.
MEAT AND LAMB (Preserved by Cold Process.)					PORE (Preserved by Cold Process.)			
United Kingdom ..	4,490	197	7,045	275	22,150	982	41,133	1,868
Canada ..	3,305	168	3,297	171	22,025	1,221	16,909	864
New Zealand ..	896	22	822	46	5,550	363	6,579	436
Singapore ..	23	2	52	4	29	3	84	8
Other British Countries ..	494	28	518	30	1,800	84	888	98
Foreign Countries ..	103	6	80	6	452	31	258	21
New South Wales ..	2,263	98	5,775	246	47,888	2,468	52,967	2,513
Victoria ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Queensland ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
South Australia ..	4,741	270	4,662	224	3,624	245	12,838	729
Western Australia ..	1,846	83	1,893	95	17	1	53	6
Total ..	8,841	451	11,834	532	51,506	2,714	65,881	3,245

Note.—Values expressed in Australian currency, L.b. port of shipment.

Principal Agricultural, Pastoral and Dairy Produce of Australian Origin Exported to Various Countries—continued.

Country of Destination and State of Final Shipment.	Nine Months ended March—							
	1953.				1954.			
	'000 lb.	EA'000.	'000 lb.	EA'000.	'000 lb.	EA'000.	'000 lb.	EA'000.
DRIED TREE FRUITS.					FRUITS PRESERVED IN LIQUID.			
United Kingdom ..	2,775	151	1,942	213	81,248	4,978	108,508	7,068
Canada ..	..	..	..	..	1,030	78	1,415	108
Ireland, Republic of ..	..	..	..	..	1,315	94	876	45
New Zealand ..	..	..	798	90	4,952	327	7,811	530
Singapore ..	27	4	99	13	324	15	357	26
Other British Countries ..	183	24	364	52	3,751	271	8,861	184
Egypt ..	11	1	800	42	1,355	93	1,123	71
Germany, Fed. Rep. of ..	..	..	64	7	148	10	955	61
Other Foreign Countries ..	596	42	43	6	2,717	204	5,540	244
New South Wales ..	2,105	159	2,095	326	2,594	582	6,110	611
Victoria ..	320	18	302	42	72,031	4,446	60,113	3,968
Queensland ..	6	1	5	1	4,757	380	27,618	2,408
South Australia ..	1,251	101	1,008	185	6,072	576	23,965	1,290
Western Australia ..	..	..	..	..	51	1	72	8
Tasmania ..	589	90	83	0	1,293	86	447	25
Total ..	4,151	330	5,083	423	94,706	6,071	121,545	8,228
Tom.	EA'000	Ton.	EA'000		'000 lb.	EA'000	'000 lb.	EA'000
WHEAT.				FLOUR.				
United Kingdom ..	480,744	15,163	892,895	8,257	217,967	4,326	117,196	2,223
Aches ..	..	..	..	..	17,086	..	18,775	357
Bahamas (British) ..	..	..	18	1	7,413	170	15,001	271
Ceylon ..	200	9	10	..	853,625	7,670	281,951	5,990
Cyprus ..	34,442	1,199	9,244	314	..	..	..	..
Hong Kong ..	160	8	331	13	20,098	444	14,336	303
India ..	72,422	2,271	183,567	4,298	101,434	2,086	39,619	769
Ireland, Republic of ..	62,428	2,145	17,480	684	..	..	..	..
Malaya, Fed. of ..	6,096	271	5,974	216	106,996	2,287	116,064	2,338
Malta ..	9,766	310	301	10	..	..	..	..
Mauritius ..	..	..	25	3	51,367	1,075	40,248	978
New Zealand ..	104,597	3,422	165,160	5,612	282	6	118	8
Pacific Islands ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Fiji ..	15	1	13	..	18,947	426	15,674	318
Other ..	29	1	54	3	5,784	128	5,880	107
Pakistan ..	..	..	34,134	1,479	..	..	..	..
Rhodesia, Northern ..	7,550	277	10,295	375	..	..	..	..
Rhodesia, Southern ..	32,361	1,127	35,457	1,237	..	..	..	..
Singapore ..	3,455	169	2,738	103	110,415	2,398	100,398	2,047
Sri Lanka, Anglo-Burmese ..	10,044	401	782	27	22,400	444	3,526	78
Other British Countries ..	..	..	..	..	15,291	281	15,252	297
Arabian States ..	245	15	2,581	90	4,100	90	10,608	206
Burma ..	200	8	2,040	108	13,928	382	33,406	737
Egypt ..	169	7	293	11	40,065	837	28,522	536
French Possessions ..	9,380	290	50,579	1,805	17,170	427	20,197	433
Germany, Fed. Rep. of ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Indonesia ..	14	1	13	..	110,098	2,384	224,864	4,761
Italy ..	9,423	292	9,566	324	10,705	254	924	20
Japan ..	49,155	1,464	1,100	33	4,564	92	3,524	66
Libya ..	..	..	..	..	784	20	1,544	31
Netherlands ..	27,496	646	9,208	284	5,516	110	..	..
Norway ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	53	..
Portuguese Possessions ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
India ..	..	..	1,459	50	53	1	2,140	42
Mozambique ..	..	..	6,748	253	144	3	170	4
Other ..	..	..	..	..	558	11	635	13
Sweden ..	8,400	263	15,631	500	..	..	..	..
Thailand ..	78	3	125	5	15,790	411	14,342	309
Other Foreign Countries ..	8,484	290	6	..	3,870	81	8,707	193
New South Wales ..	51,688	1,549	162,374	5,108	233,396	5,157	366,497	7,451
Victoria ..	195,344	6,109	147,456	1,653	568,582	11,765	495,361	2,234
Queensland ..	55,550	1,729	31,754	1,055	2,882	61	7,036	146
South Australia ..	199,577	6,915	261,084	10,217	209,019	4,311	135,785	2,907
Western Australia ..	435,635	13,892	148,928	4,695	286,073	6,065	229,990	4,665
Total ..	937,794	30,185	779,056	25,638	1,282,952	27,179	1,141,711	23,103

Note.—Values expressed in Australian currency, L.b. port of shipment.

Section V.—Retail Sales.

NOTE.—For an indication of fluctuations in the value of Wholesale Trade to December, 1953, see table entitled "Commonwealth Sales Tax," page 55.

TOTAL VALUE OF RETAIL SALES. (a)

The figures in the tables below relate to the retail sales of goods (as distinct from services, accommodation, entertainments, meals, &c.) by establishments selling retail goods from fixed premises (shops, rooms, kiosks, yards), and include the retail sales of establishments principally engaged in wholesale, manufacturing or servicing activities. The figures shown for 1948-49 were obtained by a census of retail establishments throughout Australia; figures for subsequent periods were obtained by means of a representative sample of establishments which account for approximately 40 per cent. of retail sales in Australia. The estimated totals have been calculated by methods appropriate to a stratified sample.

(\$ million.)

Particulars.	1948-49.	1950-51.	1951-52.	1952-53.	Nine Months ended March.	
					1953.	1954.
STATES.						
New South Wales	458.2	668.9	754.7	761.3	569.2	614.9
Victoria	320.1	475.4	540.8	545.4	406.8	439.9
Queensland	154.2	226.1	256.1	268.4	199.2	217.8
South Australia	97.9	148.6	175.3	176.7	130.9	144.1
Western Australia	79.3	118.6	141.1	146.2	109.2	119.2
Tasmania	35.4	51.7	61.8	64.1	47.7	52.1
Total	1,145.1	1,689.3	1,929.8	1,962.1	1,463.0	1,588.0
COMMODITY GROUPS.						
Groceries	143.4	184.7	229.7	257.4	192.1	202.1
Butchers' Meat	65.3	89.1	113.2	120.1	89.5	92.7
Other Food &c.)	118.6	155.8	188.5	207.7	155.2	166.7
Total Foodstuffs	325.3	429.6	531.4	585.2	436.8	461.5
Beer, Wine and Spirits	95.3	121.8	150.8	169.1	128.2	138.5
Clothing, Drapery, Piece Goods and Footwear	237.8	322.8	342.7	343.4	249.4	271.9
Hardware, China and Glassware	72.5	110.2	128.0	128.5	95.8	104.5
Electrical Goods and Radios	33.8	58.2	66.1	61.8	47.3	56.6
Furniture and Floor Coverings	46.4	74.4	72.3	68.2	51.2	56.2
Other Goods(c)	107.9	237.6	281.0	280.8	213.3	223.4
Total (excluding Motor Vehicles, &c.)	979.0	1,354.6	1,572.3	1,637.0	1,222.0	1,312.6
Motor Vehicles, Parts, Petrol, &c.	166.1	334.7	357.5	325.1	241.0	275.4
Total	1,145.1	1,689.3	1,929.8	1,962.1	1,463.0	1,588.0

(a) Excludes sales in Australian Capital Territory and Northern Territory. (b) Includes fresh fruit and vegetables, confectionery, soft drinks, ice cream, pastry, cooked provisions, fish, &c., but excludes some delivered milk and bread. (c) Includes tobacco, cigarettes &c., newspapers, books and stationery, chemists' goods and produce, jewellery, office equipment, &c.

Principal Agricultural, Pastoral and Dairy Produce of Australian Origin Exported to Various Countries.—continued.

Country of Destination and State of Final Shipment.	Nine Months ended March—							
	1953.				1954.			
	'000 lb.	£A'000	'000 lb.	£A'000	'000 lb.	£A'000	'000 lb.	£A'000
WOOL—GREASY.								
United Kingdom	278,181	97,887	221,988	81,426	25,505	11,240	20,488	9,284
Canada	1,383	513	783	278	4,414	1,834	2,875	1,388
Hong Kong	275	77	648	177	376	176	619	370
India	2,670	1,031	1,974	780	60	24	91	44
Ireland, Republic of	858	280	3,458	1,131	165	62	672	296
New Zealand	140	24	..	..	..	..	67	30
South Africa, Union of	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Other British Countries	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Austria	1,085	438	1,480	618	52	25	2	1
Belgium	50,305	14,061	69,065	19,988	4,048	1,582	5,427	2,301
Brazil	613	307	..	..	..	..	..	..
China	..	..	50	38	441	297	2,437	1,818
Czechoslovakia	3,280	1,508	7,572	3,387	..	..	610	357
Denmark	95	12	195	82	679	292	810	357
Egypt	67	27	27	7	171	138	609	459
France	118,878	38,091	134,955	46,113	4,911	2,132	5,069	2,817
Germany, Fed. Rep. of	33,663	12,651	40,389	14,868	3,665	1,570	4,083	1,927
Greece	237	64	12	6	1,282	625	820	254
Italy	71,986	26,870	69,890	37,738	9,023	2,064	5,531	2,230
Japan	109,954	42,026	69,142	28,048	10,749	5,813	8,287	5,000
Mexico	2,108	787	5,151	2,170	..	..	266	128
Netherlands	1,617	682	3,356	1,226	890	348	713	328
Norway	..	..	..	..	50	28	50	28
Poland	6,672	2,773	14,588	6,611	5	1	4	3
Russia	430	168	11	5	..	..	..	..
Sweden	1,233	487	995	368	898	340	867	378
Switzerland	2,419	887	3,767	1,307	211	107	238	118
Turkey	3,551	1,614	8,340	3,290	518	218	786	437
United States of America	58,437	21,570	45,904	18,833	8,962	3,280	7,147	3,027
Yugoslavia	1,020	324	1,066	423	11	5	..	..
Other Foreign Countries	2,102	874	56,324	25,377	2,190	1,158	1,129	611
Total	751,187	266,699	788,133	294,048	80,843	33,818	70,301	34,099
New South Wales	284,734	106,314	285,064	107,515	19,786	7,723	18,736	8,991
Victoria	130,489	64,518	189,270	71,299	29,150	10,290	24,967	10,654
Queensland	102,538	38,930	115,018	52,496	6,721	3,291	7,903	4,295
South Australia	83,984	29,650	87,228	29,845	9,755	3,843	6,204	2,950
Western Australia	79,419	26,298	50,058	28,946	9,462	4,070	8,819	4,044
Tasmania	11,003	3,991	10,595	4,028	136	65	21	5
Total	751,187	266,699	788,133	294,048	80,843	33,818	70,301	34,099

(a) Excludes exports of wool tops. State details not available for publication.

NOTE.—Values expressed in Australian currency, f.o.b. port of shipment.

RETAIL SALES : HIRE PURCHASE AGREEMENTS ENTERED INTO BY FINANCE COMPANIES.

The statistics in the following tables relate to businesses which finance the sale of goods at retail but do not retail goods themselves. Particulars of agreements originally made between retailers and customers and subsequently assigned to finance companies are not included in the figures of agreements made during each quarter nor, up to 31st December, 1953, in those of balances outstanding. Commencing 31st March, 1954, however, details of balances outstanding on agreements assigned to finance companies were collected and are included in the figures for that date.

Balances Outstanding at end of each Quarter (a). (Including Hiring Charges and Insurance.) ('000.)

As at—	N.S.W. (b)	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.(c)	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
1953—							
31st March ..	33,492	19,241	14,468	7,472	5,906	2,751	83,333
30th June ..	34,081	19,654	15,137	7,819	6,170	2,897	85,758
30th September ..	36,619	21,281	16,191	8,711	6,785	3,199	92,786
31st December ..	42,283	24,460	18,279	10,092	7,782	3,695	106,491
1954—							
31st March (d) ..	45,607	26,904	19,366	11,224	8,517	4,001	115,619

(a) Balances on agreements entered into during the quarter or at any time previously. (b) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes Northern Territory. (d) See note above.

Agreements Made during Quarter ended 31st March, 1954 : States.

Particulars of Agreement.	N.S.W. (b)	Vic.	Qld.	S.A. (b)	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
MOTOR VEHICLES.							
Number of Agreements ..	10,573	11,075	8,646	6,885	4,177	1,986	53,242
Total Value of Goods (c) £'000	12,785	7,842	5,453	4,302	3,020	1,453	34,935
Amount Financed (d) £'000	7,311	4,648	3,107	2,344	1,533	731	18,794
PLANT AND MACHINERY.							
Number of Agreements ..	1,993	491	371	160	87	37	2,469
Total Value of Goods (c) £'000	536	400	288	116	39	26	1,414
Amount Financed (d) £'000	313	237	172	67	25	15	829

HOUSEHOLD AND PERSONAL GOODS.

Number of Agreements ..	55,518	31,511	23,690	11,092	8,765	3,625	134,201
Total Value of Goods (c) £'000	4,882	2,506	1,659	800	793	322	10,971
Amount Financed (d) £'000	3,853	1,957	1,236	652	604	254	8,556
TOTAL (ALL GOODS).							
Number of Agreements ..	76,184	43,947	32,907	18,137	13,029	5,648	188,852
Total Value of Goods (c) £'000	18,203	10,757	7,400	5,287	3,852	1,801	47,300
Amount Financed (d) £'000	11,477	6,842	4,515	3,063	2,262	1,020	29,179

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (b) Includes Northern Territory. (c) Value at net cash or list price (excluding hiring charges and insurance). (d) Excludes hiring charges and insurance.

Retail Sales : Hire Purchase Agreements Entered Into By Finance Companies—continued.

Agreements Made during each Quarter : Australia.

Period.	Number of Agreements.	Value of Goods (a)		Amount Financed (b)		Average Proportion of Sale Financed (c)
		Total.	Average per Agreement.	Total.	Average per Agreement.	
		£'000	£	£'000.	£	%
MOTOR VEHICLES, PLANT AND MACHINERY.						
Year 1953	190,386	131,268	689	70,771	372	54
Quarter ended—						
March, 1953	41,714	27,297	654	15,122	263	55
June, 1953	41,859	29,554	706	15,843	378	54
September, 1953 ..	48,990	34,651	707	18,410	376	53
December, 1953 ..	57,814	39,766	688	21,386	370	54
March, 1954—						
Motor Vehicles ..	53,242	34,915	656	18,794	372	67
Plant and Machinery ..	2,409	1,414	586	829	344	58
Total	55,651	36,329	653	20,623	373	67

HOUSEHOLD AND PERSONAL GOODS.

Year 1953	454,251	32,686	72	25,115	55	77
Quarter ended—						
March, 1953	103,728	7,592	73	5,676	55	75
June, 1953	95,889	6,178	94	4,725	49	76
September, 1953 ..	112,503	7,718	69	5,988	53	78
December, 1953 ..	142,941	11,196	79	8,726	61	78
March, 1954	134,201	10,971	82	8,556	64	78

TOTAL (ALL GOODS).

Year 1953	644,637	163,954	254	95,886	149	58
Quarter ended—						
March, 1953	145,442	34,889	240	20,796	143	60
June, 1953	137,748	35,732	259	20,568	149	58
September, 1953 ..	161,592	42,369	262	24,398	151	56
December, 1953 ..	199,856	69,964	255	30,122	151	59
March, 1954	189,852	47,300	249	29,179	154	62

(a) Value at net cash or list price (excluding hiring charges and insurance). (b) Excludes hiring charges and insurance.

Section VI.—Public Finance.

COMMONWEALTH CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND—RECEIPTS.

(\$'000.)

Sources of Revenue.	1938-39.	1951-52.	1952-53.	Nine Months ended March—	
				1953.	1954.
TAXATION—					
Customs	31,861	113,006	70,750	51,687	70,231
Excise	16,472	99,981	113,104	85,247	94,210
Sales Tax	9,308	95,459	89,067	66,017	71,240
Flour Tax (a)	1,900	..	..	..	..
Land Tax	1,489	8,109	1,550	1,029	212
Income Tax(b)	11,963	545,179	556,960	297,030	273,958
Wool Induction	..	5,983	..	2,084	194
Pay-roll Tax	..	37,170	40,171	29,792	30,288
Estate Duty	1,915	7,778	6,398	5,941	7,191
Gift Duty	..	1,502	2,162	852	1,015
Entertainment Tax	..	8,161	6,708	4,962	1,978
Wool Contributory Charge and Wool Tax(c)	(c) 74	2,220	763	671	78
Wheat Export Charge(d)	..	12,202	8,139	8,863	..
Other Export Charge (e) (d)	..	..	165	119	115
Stevedoring Industry Charge(e)	..	551	144	792	1,237
Total, Taxation	74,111	934,011	895,464	548,805	552,205
BUSINESS UNDERTAKINGS—					
Postmaster-General's Department	17,366	59,371	64,398	48,064	50,328
Railways—					
Trans-Australia	331	1,479	1,372	942	1,264
Central Australia	138	1,241	1,290	972	1,095
North Australia	50	49	42	30	56
Australian Capital Territory	7	10	25	21	15
Total, Railways	528	2,779	2,729	1,965	2,430
Broadcasting Services	(e)	2,805	3,806	2,839	2,849
Total, Business Undertakings	17,892	64,955	70,933	52,868	55,607
TERRITORIES (f)	358	1,658	1,779	1,228	1,676
OTHER REVENUE—					
Colliage	158	895	310	..	..
Defence	151	499	2,188	1,425	1,769
Atomic Energy Commission	..	1,174	..	..	1,813
Civil Aviation	6	3,247	3,647	1,679	2,547
Health	19	61	43	32	60
Army-General	111	238	287	218	236
Commerce and Agriculture	6	34	121	607	73
Shipping and Transport	352	240	255	195	224
Net Profit on Note Issue	767	3,381	3,861	4,144	4,945
Other	1,367	(g) 7,959	(h) 59,151	(i) 82,321	17,549
Total	2,708	16,304	71,801	60,816	59,205
GRAND TOTAL	95,065	1,016,828	1,040,067	663,713	638,593
PER HEAD OF POPULATION—					
Taxation	£ s. d. 10 15 9	£ s. d. 9 109 7 6	£ s. d. 102 7 5	£ s. d. 63 1 7	£ s. d. 62 5 7
Business Undertakings	2 11 7	7 12 2	8 2 2	6 1 4	6 5 5
Other	0 8 10	2 1 10	8 8 5	7 2 8	3 9 5
Total	13 14 2	119 1 6	118 18 0	76 5 9	72 0 5

(a) Paid to trust fund for purposes of industry concerned. (b) Includes Social Services Contribution, Underdeveloped Pre-Trade Tax and Sugar Tax. (c) Wool levy for publicity and research. (d) Prior to 1952-53, treated as refunds of revenue. (e) Part included with Postmaster-General's Department, balance included in Wireless Broadcasting Trust Account revenue. (f) Excludes Railways, see Business Undertakings. (g) Includes sale of shares in Australian Wool Industries Ltd. (A.W.I.) Ltd., £1,902,000. (h) Includes sale of shares in Commonwealth Oil Refineries Ltd., £2,762,000, sale of stocks, lute and lute products and nitrogenous fertilizer, £2,670,000 and sale of glass and cement, £22,70,000. (i) Includes sale of shares in Commonwealth Oil Refineries Ltd., £2,762,000 and wool disposal profit, £42,361,000.

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) indicates an excess of receipts or transfers from one head of receipts to another.

COMMONWEALTH CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND—EXPENDITURE.

(\$'000.)

Heads of Expenditure.	1938-39.	1951-52.	1952-53.	Nine Months ended March—	
				1953.	1954.
Administrative and Miscellaneous Services ..	5,466	(a) 166,106	71,212	52,279	47,445
Interest and Debt Redemption, n.s.d. (b) ..	8,535	4,090	4,988	5,093	7 9 3
Capital Works and Services, n.s.d. ..	634	75,780	65,388	42,233	40,347
National Welfare Fund and Social Services(c) ..	16,429	171,779	165,511	121,615	128,369
Subsidies and Bounties	238	81,341	25,332	16,416	16,022
Defence Services (d)	8,855	169,486	215,292	139,847	119,723
War and Repatriation Services—					
Interest and Debt Redemption(b)	8,665	58,004	64,810	43,873	43,874
War Pensions	8,227	33,566	36,577	26,768	26,780
Other Services	1,365	13,461	16,694	15,421	11,892
Total, War and Repatriation Services	16,257	105,931	117,881	86,462	83,876
Business Undertakings—					
Postmaster-General's Department—					
Interest and Debt Redemption(b)	2,897	3,495	3,720	3,133	2,498
Capital Works and Services	3,851	28,818	23,427	20,719	18,081
Other	11,991	60,596	60,197	48,272	49,332
Total, Postmaster-General's Department	18,739	93,109	98,344	72,123	69,911
Railways—					
Interest and Debt Redemption(b)	525	555	561	547	347
Capital Works and Services	142	2,608	4,746	3,443	2,087
Other	826	3,470	3,382	2,546	2,612
Total, Railways	1,493	6,653	8,689	6,536	5,046
Broadcasting Services					
Capital Works and Services	..	231	202	104	160
Other	..	4,135	4,558	2,779	2,440
Total, Broadcasting Services	(f)	4,366	4,758	3,383	3,606
Total, Business Undertakings	20,222	104,158	111,791	82,042	76,583
Territories(g)					
Interest and Debt Redemption(b)	375	329	332	339	196
Capital Works and Services	739	5,143	4,821	3,550	3,316
Other—					
Northern Territory	293	1,973	2,355	1,640	1,718
Australian Capital Territory	346	..	..	1,469	1,907
Papua-New Guinea	48	5,233	4,885	3,039	4,179
Norfolk Island	5	15	40	22	15
Total, Territories	1,839	14,899	14,435	10,059	11,221
Payments to or for the States—					
Interest on States' Debts (h)	7,585	7,535	7,585	6,689	5,689
Redemption of States' Debts	1,478	2,557	3,011	2,052	2,556
Special Grants	2,620	16,522	15,834	11,248	11,719
Grants for Road Construction, etc., purposes	4,266	15,247	15,707	11,605	12,916
Tax Reimbursement Grants	..	86,268	108,028	65,154	72,233
States' Grants—Special Assistance	..	33,577	27,146	16,590	18,145
Other	300	5,191	4,865	3,368	2,464
Total, Payments to or for the States	15,649	160,947	182,591	116,084	120,596
Self-balancing Items	2,015	14,432	(i) 51,668	(j) 49,371	4,680
GRAND TOTAL	94,437	1,016,828	1,026,067	724,801	656,919
PER HEAD OF POPULATION	13 12 5	£ s. d. 119 1 6	£ s. d. 117 7 6	£ s. d. 63 6 2	£ s. d. 74 1 9

(a) Includes £98,500,000 special appropriation to National Debt Sinking Fund, which represents the surplus for 1951-52. (b) Includes exchange on interest payments. (c) For expenditure on Social Services, see page 64. (d) Expenditure on the Departments of Defence, Navy, Army, Air, Supply and Defence Production. Includes Capital Works and Services. (e) Includes £6,000,000 redemption War Savings Certificates. (f) Part included with Postmaster-General's Department, balance included in Wireless Broadcasting Trust Account expenditure. (g) Excludes Railways, see Business Undertakings. (h) Excludes balance of interest payable on States' Debts (transferable from States). (i) Includes transfers to Wool Disposal Profit Fund, £45,361,000 and Atomic Energy Trust Account, £11,744,000. (j) Includes a transfer to Wool Disposal Profit Fund. (k) Excludes transfer of surplus revenue, £13,400,000 to War Pensions Fund.

COMMONWEALTH EXPENDITURE FROM LOAN FUND.

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Particulars.	1955-59.	1949-50.	1950-51.	1951-52.	1952-53.	Total to 30th June, 1953.
War (1915-19) and Reparation Services Defence and War (1939-45) Services and Post-war Charges	..	..	..	..	..	272,990
	..	25,483	28,773	5,120	5,564	1,824,460
Works and Services—						
Defence Buildings, Works, Sites	1912	..	Cr. 12	..	..	8,892
Civil Aviation, Buildings and Works	..	..	..	..	..	213
Ships, Vessels and Docks	Cr. 305	..	..	..	..	7,894
Lighthouses, Works and Services	..	..	..	..	..	634
River Murray Waters Act	..	..	..	..	..	2,106
Postmaster-General's Department	Cr. 1	Cr. 8	Cr. 1	Cr. 1	Cr. 1	46,580
Health Buildings, Laboratories and	..	..	..	..	..	..
Services	..	..	..	..	..	102
War Service Homes(a)	..	..	..	..	..	7,229
Railways	..	..	..	..	..	12,751
Tourism(b)	..	..	..	..	..	5,755
Other	Cr. 7	Cr. 7	Cr. 16	Cr. 1	Cr. 9	2,409
Assistance to States—	..	..	..	..	..	..
Housing	..	..	..	..	..	141,009
Other	1,096	17,215	21,640	24,547	30,000	12,943
Wheat Bounty	..	..	..	..	..	3,420
Total Additions, New Works, Buildings, etc.	3,594	17,199	21,610	26,542	29,988	251,267
International Bank Dollar Loans(c)	..	..	..	4,744	17,955	45,610
GRAND TOTAL	3,594	42,692	54,427	54,643	63,955	2,594,567

(a) In addition, £13,015,000 was expended from War Loan Fund prior to 1923-24. (b) Includes administration and other public buildings, Australian Capital Territory. (c) Repayments paid to National Debt Financing Fund.

PUBLIC LOANS RAISED IN AUSTRALIA FOR DEFENCE, WAR (1939-45) AND POST-WAR CHARGES, ETC.(a)

Year and Month of Raising.	Amount Invited.	Allocation of Proceeds.					Rates of Interest.	Years of Maturity
		Number of Subscribers.	Commonwealth.			States.		
			Defence, War (1939-45) and Post-war Charges.	Advances to States for Housing.				
	£'000.		£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	%		
1947-October	49,030	95,227	21,611	13,012	50,000	5 1/2	1954-1959	
1948-April	35,000	87,234	6,621	7,845	20,000	..	1957-1960	
September	15,000	84,472	52	..	15,000	..	1962	
1949-March	45,708	54,860	6,539	32,140	24,145	2 3/8	1952-1960 63	
September	25,912	63,501	..	..	45,167	..	1953-1960-63	
1950-March	40,875	49,696	11,867	17,215	31,574	..	1953, 1951-64	
August	12,088	46,302	1,301	..	47,000	..	..	
November	21,238	32,190	..	..	30,000	..	..	
1951-May	40,000	40,192	328	..	40,000	..	1951, (b) 1952-64	
August	40,000	82,978	..	3,840	28,000	2 3/8	1954, 1952 65	
November	13,233	12,909	..	1,470	13,078	..	..	
1952-March	30,533	19,119	..	1,767	15,962	..	1955, 1962-65	
November	20,000	26,925	..	2,161	17,410	2 3/8	1961	
1953-March	29,799	20,411	..	3,858	18,331	3 1/4	(c) 1955, 1962	
September	50,000	30,377	..	6,832	59,469	..	1955, 1966	
1954-March	..	11,071	..	..	60,000	..	(d) 1957-1967	

(a) Being a redemption and conversion loan. (b) Price of issue: £90. (c) Price of issue: £90 10s. (d) Price of issue: £98 10s.

COMMONWEALTH PUBLIC DEBT.

For a summary of Commonwealth Public Debt as at 31st December, 1953, see page 61.

COMMONWEALTH INCOME TAX AND SOCIAL SERVICES CONTRIBUTION, 1951-52.(a)

Grade of Actual Income and State or Territory of Assessment.	Number of Taxpayers.	Taxable Income.			Net Income Tax and Social Services Contributions Assessed.
		Personal Exemption.	Property.	Total.	
£	£	No.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
105- 150 ..	..	11,233	13,191	1,245	14,441
151- 200 ..	..	151,901	23,540	2,071	25,611
201- 250 ..	..	169,460	33,612	2,804	36,006
251- 300 ..	..	181,602	43,702	2,816	46,277
301- 350 ..	..	205,008	58,301	2,586	60,887
351- 400 ..	..	208,488	67,529	2,550	70,076
401- 450 ..	..	202,459	71,031	2,507	73,538
451- 500 ..	..	238,006	80,053	2,543	81,598
501- 550 ..	..	280,841	112,386	2,851	114,917
551- 600 ..	..	272,082	117,414	2,616	119,930
601- 650 ..	..	238,003	100,375	2,436	111,811
651- 700 ..	..	191,385	84,786	2,312	97,099
701- 800 ..	..	262,954	143,814	4,176	147,989
801- 900 ..	..	145,231	86,519	3,668	93,187
901- 1,000 ..	..	85,028	57,087	3,309	60,896
1,001- 1,250 ..	..	101,209	83,475	6,411	89,896
1,251- 1,500 ..	..	48,123	49,765	5,094	54,859
1,501- 2,000 ..	..	46,840	66,899	7,611	74,510
2,001- 3,000 ..	..	47,681	94,900	9,712	104,672
3,001- 4,000 ..	..	24,374	71,130	6,590	77,720
4,001- 5,000 ..	..	14,102	54,104	4,632	58,736
5,001- 10,000 ..	..	23,366	138,917	10,344	149,261
10,001- 15,000 ..	..	4,917	52,440	4,033	56,479
15,001 and over	..	3,952	69,638	7,069	97,607
Total Residents	3,260,015	1,826,316	101,677	1,927,993	331,707
Central Office	..	12,079	25,530	10,615	46,145
New South Wales	..	1,340,368	686,888	33,382	719,270
Victoria	..	944,799	518,273	30,829	549,102
Queensland	..	438,602	220,543	9,490	239,042
South Australia	..	293,008	169,084	6,334	179,318
Western Australia	..	211,478	128,065	5,498	134,161
Tasmania	..	101,918	48,277	2,325	50,602
Northern Territory	..	4,521	2,322	40	2,362
Australian Capital Territory	..	12,644	7,836	155	7,991
Total Residents	3,260,015	1,826,316	101,677	1,927,993	331,707
Total Non-Residents	..	3,358	1,469	2,167	3,636
GRAND TOTAL INDIVIDUALS	3,263,373	1,827,785	103,844	1,931,629	332,956
Companies (b)	..	24,602	..	..	420,765
	..	..	..	..	(c) 167,381

(a) Assessed on income for year 1950-51. (b) Preliminary, subject to revision. (c) Includes Undistributed Profits Tax.

COMMONWEALTH ESTATE DUTY, 1951-52.

Grade of Dutiable Value.	Number of Estates (a)	Gross Value as Assessed.	Dutiable Value.	Net Duty A-ssessed.
£	£	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
£ -1,000	No.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
1,001-2,000	2,959	10,739	2,171	65
2,001-3,000	2,527	8,344	3,711	112
3,001-4,000	1,494	7,508	4,218	127
4,001-5,000	1,210	6,618	4,100	123
5,001-10,000	872	5,750	3,957	121
10,001-20,000	1,646	26,206	15,549	471
20,001-50,000	835	28,171	23,881	1,062
50,001 and over	210	25,408	16,979	3,464
Total	16,289	144,073	103,318	7,794

(a) Number of estates assessed during year 1951-52.

COMMONWEALTH SALES TAX.

NOTE.—An indication of fluctuations in the value of wholesale trade is given by the returns made under the Sales Tax Act. With certain specified exemptions, all goods sold at wholesale in Australia, including in certain cases, are taxable. However, the returns do not relate to all wholesale trade, as vehicles trading only in excess of 100 days are not required to furnish a return. They do not necessarily cover a constant proportion of all trade. There are some seasonal and administrative changes on the returns values of taxable and exempt goods respectively available to enable adjustments to be made to the crude figures on this account. Monthly totals are compiled on a basis comparable with the monthly averages for preceding years.

Sales of Taxable and Exempt Goods and Sales Tax payable.—Australia. (a)

(\$'000.)

Period.	Net Sales of Taxable and Exempt Goods.	Taxable Sales. (a)										Sales Tax Payable.
		8½ per cent.	10 per cent.	12½ per cent.	16½ per cent.	20 per cent.	25 per cent.	32½ per cent.	50 per cent.	60½ per cent.	Total.	
1938-39 ..	477,147	106,491	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	196,491	9,363
1948-49 ..	1,150,547	350,622	..	..	..	12,542	..	..	..	..	363,164	38,187
1949-50 ..	1,321,826	370,453	98,577	..	..	10,221	..	..	..	..	455,251	40,789
1950-51 ..	1,886,231	463,975	99,463	..	..	11,325	22,584	..	..	..	547,347	53,084
1951-52 ..	1,915,086	134,246	24,247	327,442	..	85,192	6,070	38,276	4,062	4,829	623,396	91,232
1952-53 ..	1,897,969	..	..	403,680	..	121,413	134	20,000	6,744	369	555,360	66,065
Quarter 1952-53 ..	482,706	..	107,482	..	33,884	..	6,931	2,021	..	..	150,318	23,583
Mar. ..	458,357	..	98,042	..	29,580	..	5,106	1,534	..	..	134,262	20,840
June ..	508,120	..	104,372	..	32,169	..	5,142	1,658	..	..	143,281	22,011
Sept. ..	519,409	..	109,066	..	16,775	24,265	..	3,007	802	..	151,116	22,092
Dec. ..	576,961	..	137,902	69,322	..	..	..	..	..	..	190,524	27,037
Month 1953- ..	188,599	..	43,539	19,224	..	..	..	..	..	..	62,763	8,846
Oct. ..	195,122	..	44,120	20,182	..	..	..	..	..	..	64,302	8,879
Nov. ..	195,240	..	49,543	19,918	..	..	..	..	..	..	69,459	9,512

(a) The general rate was 4 per cent. to 21st September, 1938, and 5 per cent. to 8th September, 1939. The 10 per cent. rate came into operation on 15th November, 1946, and superseded the general rate of 12½ per cent., which, together with the 25 per cent. rate, operated from 1st May, 1942. On 8th September, 1946, the general rate was reduced to 8½ per cent. From 15th October, 1950, additional rates of 10 per cent. and 32½ per cent. were introduced. On 27th September, 1951, the general rate was increased to 12½ per cent. and rates of 0 per cent., 50 per cent. and 60½ per cent. were introduced. From 7th August, 1952, the rate of 8½ per cent. was reduced to 10 per cent. and the rate of 25 per cent. eliminated. From 9th September, 1953, the rates of 20 per cent., 32½ per cent. and 50 per cent. were eliminated and the rate of 11½ per cent. was introduced.

NOTE.—In respect of New South Wales the Consolidated Revenue Fund and Business Undertakings—Railways, Tramways and Omnibuses and Sydney Harbour Trust Sector of the Maritime Services Board—included in the Annual Budget Papers are re-presented in the following tables. The following adjustments have been made to the Budget figures for 1952-53 to obviate duplications within the combined accounts and to State uniformity with the other States: (i) Treasury transfers to Railway revenue \$240,640 and (ii) Commonwealth Hospital benefits \$1,540,000 paid to Consolidated Revenue and from disbursements to hospitals have been deducted from the Budget Revenue total of £25,648,000 and from the Expenditure total of £19,007,000. In addition, £4,506,000 has been deducted from expenditure on account of duties charges and assigned to Consolidated Revenue Fund from Business Undertakings and on account of contributions from Consolidated Revenue Fund towards losses on Tramway and Omnibus Services. Although cash assistance to Business Undertakings was granted from Consolidated Revenue Fund, previous years' adjustments in aggregate expenditure were made until 1952-53. Particulars for other States are restricted to the transfer of sums of the Consolidated Revenue Fund. The following Treasury transfers to Business Undertakings have been excluded from Revenue and Expenditure: New South Wales (as stated above)—Railways \$200,000; Victoria—Railways \$1,708,000; and South Australia—Railways \$4,650,000.

STATE REVENUES. (£'000.)

Source of Revenue and Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
1952-53.							
Taxation(c)	17,801	14,364	7,451	4,902	(d) 2,658	5,088	50,399
Railways	75,078	31,666	24,868	11,816	7,934	..	147,709
Tramways and Omnibuses	11,528	(e) 147	..	..	1,046	..	12,719
Other Business and Industrial Undertakings	2,021	5,032	..	3,740	2,495	4	13,302
Land	5,154	2,862	5,429	262	756	351	12,608
Interest (h,i)	900	2,041	1,532	2,263	1,041	1,472	9,639
Commonwealth Payments (f)	57,266	35,448	22,960	16,744	19,431	6,350	180,743
All other Sources	13,558	4,984	3,111	2,592	3,309	795	29,300
Total Revenue 1952-53	180,908	96,995	63,171	44,251	38,725	12,061	426,111
Total Revenue per head	£ s. d. 52 17 4	£ s. d. 41 1 2	£ s. d. 50 11 8	£ s. d. 69 0 10	£ s. d. 63 4 0	£ s. d. 39 0 10	£ s. d. 50 2 3
1951-52	167,095	81,061	55,758	37,528	33,055	(h) 10,469	386,521
1950-51	123,296	63,646	44,723	31,072	28,674	(h) 7,819	301,032
1949-50	104,564	57,587	37,119	26,360	26,018	(h) 7,077	258,635
1948-49	96,062	40,462	32,979	21,845	20,561	(h) 5,740	224,049
1938-39	51,098	26,283	19,390	12,301	10,950	3,815	124,282

STATE EXPENDITURES. (£'000.)

Heads of Expenditure and Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
1952-53.							
Interest and Charges on Public Debt	18,822	12,394	8,077	7,043	5,728	2,681	54,460
Railways	63,232	33,132	27,171	14,662	12,903	..	150,090
Tramways and Omnibuses	13,818	..	..	..	1,165	..	14,973
Other Business and Industrial Undertakings	1,466	4,025	..	3,194	3,133	(g) 901	12,711
Education	25,610	15,987	7,221	5,316	5,083	2,061	61,758
Hospital	16,485	10,670	6,544	4,336	2,971	1,415	47,821
Other Charges	2,967	5,417	1,784	547	848	368	8,931
All other Expenditure	38,009	19,941	12,148	10,238	(A) 7,532	3,897	91,400
Total Expenditure 1952-53	180,811	97,980	62,060	44,226	39,233	11,768	436,373
Total Expenditure per head	£ s. d. 52 17 4	£ s. d. 41 4 3	£ s. d. 50 8 8	£ s. d. 59 0 2	£ s. d. 64 0 2	£ s. d. 38 1 6	£ s. d. 50 2 10
1951-52	160,997	81,067	55,708	37,499	34,547	(h) 10,871	389,049
1950-51	124,265	62,860	44,675	30,442	28,814	(h) 8,060	304,501
1949-50	107,081	55,816	37,000	26,550	25,994	(h) 7,344	260,475
1948-49	95,018	48,225	32,929	22,150	21,378	(h) 5,845	226,425
1938-39	63,558	27,773	19,316	12,701	11,170	3,641	129,159

(a) Revenue includes balance of Assessed Grant for 1950-51—South Australia £2,527,000; Western Australia £1,500,000. (b) Excludes particulars of transfer of services from central control of the Australian Dr. £150,000. (c) From total receipts from various forms of taxation, Commonwealth and Transport Commission. (d) Gross collections. (e) Contribution to revenue by Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways. (f) Includes Commonwealth tax on minimum rates. (g) Losses of Transport Commission. (h) Includes reduction of 1950-51 surplus, £2,159,000.

STATE NET LOAN EXPENDITURE DURING THE YEAR, 1962-63. ('000.)

Heads of Expenditure.	N.S.W.	Vic(a)	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
Works and Services—							
Railways	17,947	7,000	7,715	2,885	6,575	1,872	43,997
Tramways and Omnibuses	1,877			400	101		2,378
Roads and Bridges	72	1,100	409	344			2,525
Harbours, Rivers, Lights, &c.	1,243	317	303	864	1,211		4,674
Water Supply and Sewerage	1,186	6,928	2,017	3,561	2,127	479	16,310
Electricity Supply	14,823	7,000		4,150	90	8,333	34,246
Public Buildings	8,455	7,713	1,228	2,149	2,718	1,032	23,271
Unemployment Relief	Cr. 30	Cr. 9					Cr. 39
Borrowing	Cr. 907	Cr. 568	1,182	4,373	2,004	666	8,745
Other(b)	520	716	2,010	94	190	189	4,728
Primary Production—							
Land Settlement(c)	1,494	3,153	754	Cr. 180	Cr. 9		5,198
Water Conservation, Irrigation and Drainage	3,819	983	2,104	581	301		5,396
Other	1,116		2,551	471			4,138
Other purposes		3,552	Cr. 153	509	1,640	163	5,741
Total Works, &c.	51,547	37,763	19,382	21,981	17,606	12,822	161,101
Non-Works—							
Revenue, &c., Deficits	15	15	15	29	4	41	110
Other(d)	596	110	150	9	38	247	2,847
Grand Total	52,143	40,273	19,532	21,990	17,642	13,069	164,948

TOTAL STATE NET LOAN EXPENDITURE TO 30th JUNE, 1963. ('000.)

Heads of Expenditure.	N.S.W.	Vic(a)(e)	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
Works and Services—							
Railways	224,097	109,758	95,700	49,443	44,843	13,576	534,217
Tramways and Omnibuses	17,281			5,841	2,124		25,246
Roads and Bridges	21,577	16,643	10,363	4,706	3,183		59,472
Harbours, Rivers, Lights, &c.	29,177	2,390	4,006	11,560	11,694	9,807	125,195
Water Supply and Sewerage	44,111	67,407	5,481	39,638	23,035	1,044	180,696
Electricity Supply	58,003	35,089		21,650	13,074	35,931	163,747
Public Buildings	9,114	38,044	17,433	14,076	10,408	7,200	136,055
Unemployment Relief	10,053	13,147				331	29,531
Borrowing	8,201	9,723	6,811	27,076	3,150	8,231	63,242
Other(b)	13,485	6,137	35,491	2,433	2,022	3,753	62,931
Primary Production—							
Land Settlement(c)	34,175	78,566	9,445	9,359	18,152	2,364	147,081
Water Conservation, Irrigation and Drainage	97,044		5,294	10,981	6,178		56,887
Other	14,412	16,968	19,804	8,284	16,505		76,907
Other purposes	89	14,424		4,068	13,269	2,456	34,206
Total Works, &c.	568,979	407,536	208,018	206,134	102,967	36,407	1,639,841
Non-Works—							
Revenue, &c., Deficits	685,112	102,856	228,842	218,150	181,078	91,022	1,768,130
Other(d)	27,185	10,065	15,998	3,296	5,996	2,050	64,880
Grand Total	1,281,276	610,457	452,858	424,284	284,045	129,479	3,408,974

(a) Expenditure from Loan Fund and on account of loans. (b) Includes expenditure from Loan Fund, from Treasurer's Advance Account and from State Loans Repayment Fund. (c) Includes loans to Local Bodies, &c. (d) Includes Advances to Settlers and Soldier Land Settlement. (e) Disbursements and flotation expenses, exchange or remittances, &c. (f) Aggregate gross loan expenditures.

STATE PUBLIC DEBT AND INTEREST PAYABLE AT 30th JUNE, 1963.

State.	Public Debt.				Interest Payable.			
	Aust. treas. '000.	New South Wales '000.	Vic. '000.	Total. '000.	In Aust. '000.	In New South Wales '000.	In Vic. '000.	Total. '000.
New South Wales	435,578	122,058	10,087	567,723	13,277	3,903	300	17,480
Victoria	290,072	45,024	4,424	339,520	8,000	1,450	150	10,600
Queensland	155,451	44,117	4,687	204,255	4,880	1,494	171	6,545
South Australia	197,353	24,007	720	182,180	4,444	1,076	70	5,590
Western Australia	115,093	35,970	2,709	153,772	3,559	1,106	82	4,746
Tasmania	76,577	7,027	224	84,128	3,408	223	8	2,639
Total	1,280,404	289,493	29,751	1,544,448	38,023	9,231	881	48,134

(a) Payable in dollars. For the purpose of this table dollars have been converted on the basis of \$4.666 to £1. (b) The total "face" or "book" value of the State public debt leaving out of account differences in currency. (c) Nominal amount of interest payable—taken to account of exchange.

(TABLES ON THIS PAGE ARE PREPARED FROM INFORMATION PUBLISHED IN THE MONTHLY STATEMENTS ISSUED BY THE TREASURY.)

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE. ('000.)

Particulars.	N.S.W. (e)	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Six States.	Commonwealth.	Grand Total (f)
NINE MONTHS ENDED MARCH, 1963.									
Revenue—									
Commonwealth Payments	34,827	21,494	13,942	12,178	12,890	4,079	99,136	545,803	644,939
Taxation	12,929	9,265	5,519	3,732	1,906	2,182	35,133	1,945	37,078
Business Undertakings—									
Railways	54,753	23,438	18,637	5,805	5,481		110,026	1,945	136,034
Other	10,422	227	3,809	2,222			16,340	50,908	69,442
Total	127,251	60,357	43,452	30,405	20,456	8,222	265,943	663,718	866,163
Expenditure—									
Payments to States (e)	13,806	9,074	6,285	5,288	4,279	1,944	40,556	110,084	150,640
Debt Services									
Business Undertakings (d)	60,828	25,160	20,012	11,024	8,907	(f) 733	116,834	2,546	120,380
Railways	11,475	811	19,308	2,275	2,547		37,006	61,581	100,114
Other	55,353	35,108	9,874	12,050	6,360		139,527	500,458	639,985
Total	125,742	60,963	45,605	31,731	28,353	8,541	313,253	724,801	938,056
Surplus (+) or Deficit (-)	-2,491	-9,596	-2,153	-1,326	-1,897	-519	-17,309	-61,086	-79,893

NINE MONTHS ENDED MARCH, 1964.

Revenue—									
Commonwealth Payments	35,928	22,678	14,429	12,406	13,115	4,186	102,642	584,306	686,957
Taxation	12,293	10,645	6,065	4,576	2,879	2,515	38,078	1,945	40,023
Business Undertakings—									
Railways	54,265	26,227	21,307	9,514	8,117		119,430	2,430	121,860
Other	10,190	422	3,204	2,759			16,582	53,177	69,759
Total	127,824	67,287	47,557	32,890	29,908	6,826	314,081	688,598	802,679
Expenditure—									
Payments to States (e)	14,104	10,603	6,754	6,139	4,807	2,410	44,822	120,508	165,330
Debt Services									
Business Undertakings (d)	48,458	25,345	20,938	10,612	10,669	(e) 550	116,570	2,612	120,182
Railways	11,052	628	2,544	2,447			16,669	52,778	69,446
Other	57,413	35,838	21,738	14,211	13,979	6,473	130,807	458,834	589,641
Total	131,023	73,287	48,428	35,065	31,902	9,439	328,566	656,018	876,901
Surplus (+) or Deficit (-)	-3,206	-10,609	-1,571	-607	-1,994	-807	-14,487	-16,922	-23,222

(a) Includes Main Roads Department, Road Transport and Traffic Fund, and receipts of interest, &c. from undertakings outside the Budget. (b) To avoid duplication in aggregating particulars for the Commonwealth and States, the grand total excludes payments by the Commonwealth to the States of compensation in respect of uniform taxation, special local rate payments by the Commonwealth to the States of reimbursement grants, also deductions financial assistance, interest on State debts, special grants and prizes, &c. (c) Includes interest on State debts, special grants and prizes, &c. (d) Includes interest on State debts, special grants and prizes, &c. (e) Includes interest on State debts, special grants and prizes, &c. (f) Includes interest on State debts, special grants and prizes, &c.

NET LOAN EXPENDITURE ON WORKS. ('000.)

Nine months ended March—	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total Six States.	Commonwealth.	Grand Total.
1963	36,017	23,979	13,596	17,478	10,027	6,472	107,569	24,318	131,887
1964	31,753	20,278	9,921	14,513	8,469	7,472	92,406	23,276	115,682

(a) Includes payment to National Debt Sinking Fund on account of the International Bank Dollar Loan.

TAXATION.—COMMONWEALTH AND STATE, 1932-33.(a)

(£'000.)

State, &c.	Customs and Excise	Income Taxes	Land Tax	Probate and Succession Duties	Other Stamp Duties (n.e.l.)	Motor Taxes	Enter- tainment (including Rating)	All other Taxes	Total
New South Wales ..	..	67	2	8,406	4,844	9,837	2,593	1,889	27,678
Victoria ..	..	57	1,670	4,833	3,206	5,435	2,264	1,962	19,157
Queensland ..	..	4	1,035	2,302	2,094	4,424	293	1,461	11,803
South Australia ..	..	..	574	1,002	899	1,727	998	141	5,341
Western Australia ..	..	..	3	209	843	945	1,197	322	3,912
Tasmania ..	..	..	1	168	319	641	165	1,634	3,266
Total States ..	..	132	3,418	17,778	12,297	23,321	6,925	7,440	70,387
Commonwealth ..	183,824	556,960	12.0	8,393	..	..	6,708	1,338,329	896,464
Grand Total ..	183,824	557,092	4,666	26,149	12,297	23,321	13,333	145,769	966,651

PER HEAD OF POPULATION.

(£ s. d.)

State, &c.	Customs and Excise	Income Taxes	Land Tax	Probate and Succession Duties	Other Stamp Duties (n.e.l.)	Motor Taxes	Enter- tainment (including Rating)	All other Taxes	Total
New South Wales ..	..	0 0 5	..	2 9 1	1 8 4	2 17 9	0 15 2	0 11 1	8 1 10
Victoria ..	..	0 0 5	0 11 7	2 0 11	1 7 2	2 6 2	0 10 1	0 16 10	8 2 2
Queensland ..	..	0 0 1	0 16 7	1 10 10	1 3 5	3 10 10	0 4 8	1 3 5	9 5 10
South Australia ..	..	..	0 15 4	1 0 9	1 4 0	2 6 1	1 6 7	0 3 9	7 2 6
Western Australia ..	..	0 0 1	0 8 9	1 7 5	1 10 10	1 19 1	0 10 6	0 10 11	6 7 8
Tasmania ..	..	..	0 0 1	0 10 9	1 3 11	1 0 8	2 1 6	0 10 9	5 5 9
Total States ..	21 0 4	0 0 4	0 7 10	2 6 10	1 8 3	2 13 7	0 15 2	0 17 1	8 3 1
Commonwealth ..	21 0 4	63 13 5	0 2 10	0 19 2	..	..	1 15 4	0 16 16	102 7 9
Grand Total ..	21 0 4	63 13 5	0 10 8	2 10 10	1 8 1	2 13 4	0 10 6	0 16 13	110 9 9

(a) Excludes taxes paid to several firms. The collections have been grouped according to the nature of the tax rather than the method of collection. See page 51 for details of Commonwealth Taxation. (b) Includes Sales Tax \$39,097,000, £10 3s. 8d. per head of population; and Pay Roll Tax, £40,171,000, £4 11s. 10d. per head of population.

TAXATION.—COMMONWEALTH AND STATE

(£'000.)

Year.	Taxation by Commonwealth Government.					Taxation by State Governments.	Total Taxation.
	Customs and Excise.	Income Taxes.	Sales Tax.	Other.	Total.		
1933-39	47,633	11,883	9,308	5,287	74,111	50 '97	124,618
1940-50	143,885	279,654	42,425	52,997	518,959	41,855	560,814
1950-51	165,094	341,957	(a) 67,173	219,058	777,187	51,762	828,949
1951-52	213,917	545,179	95,459	70,456	930,011	65,010	995,021
1952-53	183,824	556,960	89,067	65,613	825,464	70,987	896,451
PER HEAD OF POPULATION. (£ s. d.)							
1933-39	6 17 5	1 14 3	1 8 10	0 15 3	10 13 9	7 6 1	17 19 5
1940-50	17 17 5	34 14 10	5 5 5	6 11 0	64 9 5	5 4 5	60 13 5
1950-51	19 17 0	41 2 10	8 17 7	6 21 9	97 10 2	6 5 1	99 14 9
1951-52	25 1 0	83 16 10	11 3 7	9 8 1	109 7 6	7 8 3	116 15 1
1952-53	21 0 4	63 13 5	10 3 8	7 10 0	102 7 9	8 3 1	110 9 9

(a) Includes Wool Deduction, £109,531,000, £13 3s. 7d. per head of population.

TAXATION.—COMMONWEALTH REIMBURSEMENTS TO STATES AND STATE COLLECTIONS, 1932-33.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
Commonwealth Tax Reimbursement ..	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
State Tax Collections ..	48,424	26,028	17,487	9,342	8,742	3,600	108,623
Total ..	27,678	19,157	11,603	5,341	3,912	3,296	70,967
Total ..	71,102	45,185	29,090	14,683	12,654	6,896	179,610
Per head of population ..	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
..	20 15 9	19 2 8	23 5 10	19 11 10	20 13 0	22 6 6	20 12 9

COMMONWEALTH AND STATE PUBLIC DEBT.

Particulars.	Where Redeemable or Payable.	At 30th June—				At 31st December, 1933.
		1939.	1951.	1952.	1953.	
TOTAL DEBT. ('000.)						
Commonwealth—						
War (1914-18)	Australia £A ..	175,194	149,027	145,561	144,790	144,044
	London £Sigs ..	11,020	8,333	7,584	7,584	7,584
War (1939-45)	Australia £A ..	1,499,401	1,479,140	1,467,002	1,467,002	1,467,002
	London £Sigs ..	5,775	5,775	5,775	5,775	5,775
Works, &c. . .	Australia £A ..	43,363	122,261	149,236	178,842	185,440
	London £Sigs ..	72,097	49,969	50,434	50,071	49,619
	New York £D ..	15,913	17,383	26,139	36,192	37,677
Total ..	Australia £A ..	218,497	1,770,498	1,778,087	1,788,648	1,823,504
	London £Sigs ..	83,117	64,077	63,743	63,840	62,928
	New York £D ..	15,913	17,383	26,139	36,192	37,677
Total(e) ..	..	317,527	1,852,149	1,868,619	1,888,215	1,924,409
State ..	Australia £A ..	485,179	893,611	1,081,549	1,230,464	1,356,857
	London £Sigs ..	884,828	290,618	290,985	289,498	288,816
	New York £D ..	28,268	24,211	23,992	23,761	22,307
Total(e) ..	..	897,772	1,208,338	1,395,678	1,543,648	1,668,980
Grand Total ..	Australia £A ..	703,678	2,664,300	2,835,256	3,019,047	3,199,361
	London £Sigs ..	467,445	354,938	353,838	352,678	351,744
	New York £D ..	44,784	41,594	40,131	39,953	39,954
Total(e) ..	..	1,215,299	3,064,487	3,224,485	3,491,668	3,591,059

DEBT PER HEAD OF POPULATION.

(£ s. d.)

Particulars.	Where Redeemable of Payable.	1939.	1951.	1952.	1953.	1954.
Grand Total ..	Australia £A ..	100 19 10	315 19 11	330 10 5	342 2 10	350 15 4
	London £Sigs ..	42 1 8	40 18 3	39 15 10	39 15 10	39 15 10
	New York £D ..	6 6 10	4 18 8	6 0 7	6 15 10	6 16 0
Total(e) ..	..	174 8 4	362 10 0	377 9 3	388 18 8	397 2 8

ANNUAL INTEREST PAYABLE.

(£'000.)

Particulars.	Where Redeemable of Payable.	1939.	1951.	1952.	1953.	1954.
Grand Total ..	Australia £A ..	25,585	73,617	77,846	86,576	90,094
	London £Sigs ..	11,368	11,169	11,267	11,555	11,319
	New York £D ..	2,219	1,658	2,106	2,463	2,544
Total(e) ..	..	46,170	96,444	91,221	100,584	103,957

AVERAGE RATE OF INTEREST PAYABLE PER CENT.

(£ s. d.)

Particulars.	Where Redeemable of Payable.	1939.	1951.	1952.	1953.	1954.
Commonwealth and State ..	Australia £A ..	3 12 9	2 15 4	2 14 6	2 17 4	2 18 0
	London £Sigs ..	3 18 7	3 18 0	3 18 0	3 18 0	3 18 0
	New York £D ..	8 0 0	3 19 9	4 0 10	4 0 10	3 14 6
Total ..	..	3 18 0	2 18 4	2 16 0	2 18 6	2 18 11

(a) Excludes debt (£70,724,000) and interest payable (£3,920,000) due to United Kingdom Government under the Funding Arrangements Act 1921. Repayment of this debt and payment of interest were suspended in 1931 by arrangement with the United Kingdom Government. (b) Payable in dollars. For the purpose of this table, dollars have been converted on the basis of \$4.8665 to £1. (c) The total "face" or "book" value of the public debt of the Commonwealth and State, without adjustment on account of difference in currency (see note (b)). (d) Nominal amount, taking no account of exchange.

COMMONWEALTH AND STATE SHORT-TERM DEBT.(a)

(£'000.)

Particulars.	Where Redeemable of Payable.	At 30th June—					At 31st March, 1954.
		1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.	1953.	
Commonwealth ..	Australia £A ..	123,280	108,280	108,280	158,280	225,000	205,000
	London £Sigs ..	1,720	1,470	1,220	970	720	470
State ..	Australia £A ..	22,868	22,868	2,400	22,868	22,868	1,000
	London £Sigs ..	22,868	22,868	22,868	22,868	22,868	22,868
Total ..	Australia £A ..	123,280	108,280	110,680	158,280	225,000	206,000
	London £Sigs ..	24,588	24,338	24,088	23,838	23,588	23,338

(a) Included above; excludes Overdrafts and Internal Treasury Bill.

Section VII.—Social Statistics.
COMMONWEALTH EXPENDITURE ON SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES.
 (£'000.)

Social and Health Services.	1938-39.	1950-51.	1951-52.	1952-53.	Nine Months ended March—	
					1953.	1954.
Social Benefits—						
Age and Invalid Pensions	15,992	49,520	59,788	72,424	52,784	59,747
Child Endowment	..	43,585	46,625	53,244	41,196	38,112
Community Rehabilitation	..	310	361	454	337	318
Funer. l. Benefits	..	254	276	270	210	225
Maternity Allowances	437	3,067	3,167	3,248	2,494	2,433
Rental Rebates	..	3	..	..	..	..
Unemployment and Sickness Benefits	..	1,037	1,008	6,255	4,356	3,734
Widows' Pensions	..	4,828	5,615	6,334	4,632	4,767
Health Benefits—						
Hospital Benefits	..	6,636	6,663	7,223	5,043	5,850
Medical Benefits	..	..	..	..	..	..
Mental Institution Benefits	..	406	518	523	344	331
National Health Services—						
Medical Benefits for Pensioners	..	75	1,036	1,740	1,291	1,563
Pharmaceutical Benefits for Pensioners	..	..	358	729	509	707
Nutrition of Children	..	36	815	1,521	960	996
Miscellaneous	..	131	162	183	143	144
Pharmaceutical Benefits	..	2,930	7,527	6,487	4,732	5,245
Tuberculosis Campaign(a)	..	2,275	3,579	4,876	2,884	2,063
Total	16,429	114,983	137,608	166,511	121,915	128,970

(a) Includes allowances and reimbursements to States for maintenance of hospitals.

COMMONWEALTH AGE AND INVALID PENSIONS.

State and Year.	Number of Pensioners at 30th June.		Number per 10,000 of Population.	Average Fortnightly Pension at 30th June.		Pensions Paid during Year.	
	Age.	Invalid.		Age.	Invalid.	Amount.	Per Head of Popn.
				£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£'000.	£ s. d.
New South Wales(b)	154,936	33,346	186,482	446	97 6 7	3 6 11 0	30,533 8 17 1
Victoria	93,363	15,019	108,382	392	63 6 9	1 6 9 11 1	17,476 7 11 9
Queensland	64,236	10,601	64,927	429	84 6 9	10 13 4 8	40,755 8 4 9
South Australia(c)	34,207	4,378	38,585	442	67 6 8	9 6 11 8	6,568 7 18 1
Western Australia	25,679	3,906	29,675	413	64 6 8	4 6 9 8	4,842 7 18 1
Tasmania	12,380	2,602	14,982	398	84 6 7	7 7 6 10 0	2,542 8 4 7
Australia 1952-53	374,701	70,232	444,933	424	80 6 8	4 6 10 11 1	72,424 8 5 7
1951-52	352,049	67,963	420,012	407	79 5 14	2 5 16 4	59,788 7 0 0
1950-51	342,806	68,018	411,724	407	82 4 16	5 5 16 8	49,530 5 19 2
1949-50	334,923	73,494	408,417	406	90 4 0	10 4 2 0	44,557 5 10 8
1948-49	321,327	76,056	397,383	409	96 4 1	2 4 2 6	41,694 5 6 11
1938-39	232,836	38,812	271,648	335	128	(d) 1 (d)	15,992 2 6 2

(a) Includes amounts paid to Benevolent Homes for maintenance of pensioners and to pensioners inmates of these institutions and from year 1943-44 includes allowances to wives of invalid pensioners. (b) Includes Northern Territory. (c) Includes Northern Territory. (d) Combined rate 38s. 6d.

NOTE.—The Commonwealth Government commenced to pay age pensions on 1st July, 1950, and invalid pensions who are natural-born or naturalized British subjects with residence for at least 20 years in Australia or Australian Territory. Invalid pensions are payable after five years' residence in Australia to natural-born or naturalized persons of Australian birth or over who are permanently incapacitated for work or are permanently blind and have become so in Australia. Fortnightly rate 27 from 29th October, 1953. These pensions are subject to income and property qualifications.

COMMONWEALTH CHILD ENDOWMENT.

State, etc. and Year.	Endowed Families at 30th June.		Number per 10,000 of Population.		Amount paid during Year.	
	Claims in Force.	Endowed Children.	Claims.	Endowed Children.	Amount.	Per Head of Population.
	No.	No.			£'000	£ s. d.
1952-53.						
New South Wales(b)	491,848	1,005,887	1,417	2,897	20,012	5 16 1
Victoria	328,561	672,525	1,378	2,820	13,966	5 18 6
Queensland	178,760	363,539	1,412	3,109	8,343	6 13 7
South Australia(c)	113,529	234,582	1,466	3,030	4,770	6 4 7
Western Australia	89,671	192,961	1,441	3,102	4,033	6 12 3
Tasmania	44,302	98,619	1,421	3,170	2,059	6 13 3
Abroad	415	883	..	..	11	..
Total 1952-53	1,246,986	2,599,026	1,412	2,943	53,244	6 1 9
1951-52	1,205,421	2,493,240	1,394	2,883	46,625	5 9 2
1950-51	1,150,847	2,365,177	1,365	2,805	43,585	5 4 11
1949-50	862,946	1,815,925	810	2,216	30,327	3 15 5
1948-49	620,819	1,083,904	785	1,370	24,323	3 2 5

(a) Excludes endowed children in approved institutions at 30th June—1953, 24,951 in 370 institutions; 1952, 24,423 in 370 institutions; 1951, 25,758 in 370 institutions; 1950, 22,507 in 375 institutions; 1949, 21,305 in 365 institutions. (b) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes Northern Territory.

NOTE.—From 1st July, 1941, the scheme provided for payment of 6s. per week (increased to 7s. 6d. per week from 1st June, 1945, and to 10s. per week from 1st November, 1948) for each child in the care of one under sixteen years of age maintained in a family, and for each child under sixteen years of age in an approved institution.

From 30th June, 1950, the rate of endowment payable has been (i) where the endorser has the custody of one child only—5s. per week; (ii) where the endorser has the custody of two or more children—in respect of the elder or eldest child 5s. per week and in respect of each other child 10s. per week; and (iii) for each child in an approved institution 10s. per week.

COMMONWEALTH WIDOWS' PENSIONS.(a)

State and Year.	Previous Current at 30th June (c).		Number of Children for whom Pensions Payable at 30th June.	Average Fortnightly Rate Pension.	Pensions paid during Year.	
	Number.	Per 10,000 of Population.			Amount.	Per Head of Population.
					£ s. d.	£'000 s. d.
1952-53.						
New South Wales(b)	16,812	48	7,815	6 0 3	2,630	15 3
Victoria	10,173	43	3,844	5 18 8	1,535	13 0
Queensland	6,814	54	3,158	6 2 2	1,059	16 11
South Australia(c)	3,163	41	1,534	5 18 8	486	12 8
Western Australia	2,686	43	1,127	5 18 5	404	13 2
Tasmania	1,390	44	702	6 1 1	220	14 3
Australia 1952-53	41,028	46	17,990	6 0 0	6,334	14 6
1951-52	40,758	47	17,424	5 8 2	5,615	13 2
1950-51	41,062	50	17,717	4 10 10	4,828	11 7
1949-50	42,894	52	17,760	3 19 3	4,421	11 0
1948-49	43,251	55	17,891	3 19 8	4,388	11 3

(a) Excludes widows (1952-53), eleven (1951-52), nine (1950-51), fourteen (1949-50) and eleven (1948-49) pensioners in respect of pensioners in Benevolent Homes. (b) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes Northern Territory.

NOTE.—The Commonwealth Government commenced to pay Widows' Pensions from 1st July, 1942. Provision is made for payment of pensions subject to income and property qualifications, to the following classes of widows:—(A) "A" Case—a widow who has one or more children under 16 years of age—£3 15s. per week; (B) "B" Case—a widow not less than 50 years of age and without children under 16 years of age—£2 17s. 6d. per week; (C) "C" Case—a widow without children and in need of special circumstances—£2 17s. 6d. per week for 26 weeks after husband's death, or for approximately 36 weeks in certain cases; and (D) "D" Case—a woman whose husband has been in prison for over six months, without children under 16 years of age and who is not less than 50 years of age—£2 17s. 6d. per week. Rates are as from 2nd November, 1953.

COMMONWEALTH MATERNITY ALLOWANCES.

Year.	N.S.W. (a)	Vic.	Q'land.	N.S. (b)	W.A.	Tas.	Oversea.	Total.
NUMBER OF CLAIMS PAID.								
1938-39	30,860	20,819	12,860	7,204	5,513	3,940	..	80,916
1939-40	37,534	45,309	27,570	16,381	18,107	6,084	70	177,854
1940-41	75,560	40,035	28,623	17,273	15,759	7,408	40	180,732
1941-42	75,003	50,210	29,153	17,864	14,989	7,230	119	191,587
1942-43	72,658	52,144	30,737	17,380	15,074	7,826	73	195,723
1943-44	74,011	55,297	31,058	19,068	16,535	7,983	90	203,942
AMOUNT PAID. (£)								
1938-39	167,710	110,210	70,723	37,860	25,338	21,764	..	436,614
1939-40	1,070,126	732,621	444,887	260,410	206,617	111,629	759	2,823,819
1940-41	1,165,379	777,920	459,130	275,091	219,741	110,712	933	3,007,906
1941-42	1,149,164	807,030	487,673	278,509	230,843	116,465	1,335	3,057,619
1942-43	1,162,858	838,643	498,721	285,702	241,026	122,618	1,494	3,154,992
1943-44	1,195,046	872,085	496,982	305,264	249,925	129,123	1,878	3,248,205

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (b) Includes Northern Territory.

Note.—The Maternity Allowance Act came into force on 10th October, 1912. From 1st July, 1927, the allowances payable have been as follows: (i) no other children under 16 years, £15; (ii) one of two other children under 16 years, £14; (iii) three or more other children under 16 years, £17 10s. Where more than one child is born at a birth the allowance is increased by 15s in respect of each additional child born at that birth. From 1st July, 1944, the means test was abolished.

UNEMPLOYMENT AND SICKNESS BENEFITS PAID. (a)

(Per particulars of persons on benefit see page 90.)

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Period.	N.S.W. (b)	Vic.	Q'land.	N.S. (c)	W.A.	Tas.	Amst.
UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT.							
1944-49	23,270	2,417	90,591	590	9,936	2,093	186,946
1949-50	20,096	9,666	141,446	33,949	18,193	2,010	1,366,072
1950-51	25,324	7,731	22,488	850	5,980	1,194	62,444
1951-52	56,185	11,215	114,226	1,025	4,374	1,034	187,011
1952-53	2,666,297	953,738	965,099	135,042	123,732	11,845	4,560,747
SICKNESS BENEFIT.							
Quarter ended—							
March, 1953	999,984	236,892	260,570	53,416	40,728	12,260	1,613,830
June, ..	724,981	247,892	223,768	30,206	28,925	10,225	1,370,257
September ..	551,174	253,449	135,608	26,933	18,416	10,183	983,362
December ..	836,176	141,400	115,808	12,409	10,131	14,763	818,977
March, 1954..	225,176	59,860	204,773	6,929	14,214	4,686	518,847

Quarter ended—	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	N.S.	W.A.	Tas.	Amst.
March, 1953	302,298	106,548	118,730	76,620	65,560	39,002	795,226
June, ..	307,318	217,782	111,540	88,828	58,223	36,928	816,014
September ..	296,418	197,719	96,540	70,770	53,011	30,358	745,716
December ..	292,844	181,117	123,075	70,462	48,601	24,278	709,867
March, 1954..	546,432	370,854	206,869	133,763	64,862	49,154	1,398,294
Quarter ended—							
March, 1953	160,247	81,566	91,063	49,048	23,415	14,143	415,227
June, ..	173,760	197,977	86,532	40,981	26,166	13,702	449,118
September ..	173,892	130,690	62,285	39,310	26,907	14,840	448,463
December ..	184,598	129,087	73,414	25,946	28,798	15,111	469,724
March, 1954..	108,613	63,455	86,834	37,873	26,139	10,939	393,533

(a) In addition £135,754 (Australian total) was paid in Special Benefits during 1948-49; £424,328 during 1949-50; £229,053 during 1950-51; £19,759 during 1951-52; and £29,431 during 1952-53. (b) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes Northern Territory.

Note.—The Social Services Consolidation Act 1947-1953 provides for the payment of benefit to persons whose normal earnings have been interrupted through unemployment or sickness. The rate of benefit per week is £2 10s. for a married person or an unmarried adult, plus £2 for dependent spouse and £2 for a dependent child. For unemployed juveniles the rate of benefit is £1 10s. (Under 18 years and £2 if 18 and under 21 years and 5s. for a dependent child. In certain cases £2 per week may be paid in respect of claimant's housekeeper. Rates operated from 22nd September, 1952. For unemployed juveniles, allowable income means income of claimant and spouse; for sickness benefit, allowable income means income of claimant only, but excludes amounts of up to £2 per week from an approved Friendly Society. The normal weekly income varies from 10s. for persons over 16 years of age to 20s. for adults and married persons.

AUSTRALIAN WAR AND SERVICE PENSIONS.

(i) War Pensions.

Place of Payment and Year.	Number of War Pensions Current at 30th June.				Average Fortnightly Rate of Pensions.				Expenditure during Year.
	Incapacitated Members of Forces.	Dependants of Incapacitated Members of Forces.	Dependants of Deceased Members of Forces.	Total.	Incapacitated Members of Forces.	Dependants of Deceased and Incapacitated Members of Forces.	All War Pensions.		
1952-53.									
New South Wales	66,787	105,348	16,806	189,441	3 19 5	1 11 2	2 8 2	11,770	
Victoria	52,785	81,464	13,817	148,066	4 2 0	1 13 3	2 10 8	9,019	
Queensland	23,204	40,952	5,184	69,340	4 1 1	1 8 5	2 6 4	4,110	
South Australia(a)	18,157	33,907	3,907	56,031	4 3 1	1 8 7	2 6 3	3,349	
Western Australia	17,747	30,477	8,043	56,267	8 12 0	1 7	2 2 7	2,921	
Tasmania	7,795	14,492	1,879	24,966	5 2 0	1 11 6	2 14 8	1,715	
United Kingdom	1,417	1,678	1,292	4,407	4 13 1	3 7 0	8 15 6	495	
Elsewhere	363	579	154	1,096	8 1 2	2 10 8	2 18 5	80	
Total 1952-53	188,395	308,737	46,822	543,974	4 1 1	1 11 1	2 8 5	34,356	
1951-52..	184,848	292,052	47,013	523,815	3 13 4	1 8 0	2 4 6	31,845	
1950-51..	180,836	274,854	47,145	502,875	3 4 1	1 1	2 6 6	28,192	
1949-50..	174,544	249,534	47,136	471,216	2 10 4	1 4 9	2 13 10	20,864	
1948-49..	166,110	227,441	46,558	440,115	2 8 0	1 4 9	2 13 10	18,784	
1947-48..	77,151	144,571	27,571	249,293	1 19 10	0 16 6	1 8 8	7,819	

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory.

(b) Includes Northern Territory.

(ii) Service Pensions.

State of Payment and Year.	Number of Service Pensions Current at 30th June.					Average Fortnightly Rate during Year.	Expenditure during Year.	
	Ascertained Members of Forces.	Permanently Unemployable.		Sufferers from Pulmonary Tuberculosis.				Total.
		Members of Forces.	Dependants.	Members of Forces.	Dependants.			
1952-53.							£ s. d.	£'000
New South Wales	3,424	1,507	1,474	140	197	6,742	4 17 3	784
Victoria	1,923	1,144	1,144	62	100	4,279	4 16 7	504
Queensland	1,544	963	778	22	37	3,282	4 19 11	396
South Australia(b)	632	557	537	29	58	1,863	4 15 11	216
Western Australia	1,043	816	596	30	28	2,843	4 12 9	278
Tasmania	187	214	258	8	12	674	4 6 8	68
Amst. 1912-53	8,703	4,971	4,780	291	432	19,177	4 16 6	2,225
1951-52..	7,587	4,581	4,270	260	380	17,078	4 6 9	1,777
1950-51..	7,456	4,492	3,911	279	374	16,122	8 13 11	1,507
1949-50..	7,448	4,398	3,588	290	345	15,458	3 7 6	1,432
1948-49..	7,070	4,813	3,699	271	365	16,018	3 7 11	1,329
1947-48..	3,397	3,393	4,467	619	1,032	13,108	1 5 10	407

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory.

(b) Includes Northern Territory.

GOVERNMENT AND NON-GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS.

(Number.)

State or Territory and Year.	Schools.	Teachers.	Scholars.	
			Average Weekly Enrolment.	Average Daily Attendance.
GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS.				
1951.				
New South Wales (a) ..	2,525	13,002	398,899	349,766
Victoria ..	2,035	9,424	247,361	210,135
Queensland ..	1,565	5,976	(b) 150,767	142,706
South Australia ..	694	3,524	90,747	82,588
Western Australia ..	507	2,568	72,646	66,865
Tasmania ..	316	1,604	42,274	37,363
Northern Territory (c) ..	6	42	1,230	1,092
Australia 1951 ..	7,618	36,740	1,012,874	899,514
1950 ..	7,790	36,065	958,112	844,123
1949 ..	7,874	34,090	917,256	810,800
1948 ..	7,971	33,287	869,861	770,554
1947 ..	8,191	32,820	846,105	754,799
1939 ..	9,940	31,199	859,663	744,095

NON-GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS.(d)

1951.

New South Wales (a) ..	740	5,882	130,790	116,879
Victoria ..	479	3,172	97,260	(e) 87,348
Queensland ..	254	1,652	45,753	41,757
South Australia ..	146	976	20,677	18,359
Western Australia ..	210	873	22,790	20,837
Tasmania ..	69	385	9,039	7,918
Northern Territory (c) ..	2	11	370	331
Australia 1951 ..	1,890	13,251	320,258	293,429
1950 ..	1,870	12,909	309,673	275,562
1949 ..	1,843	12,526	293,306	264,164
1948 ..	1,835	12,408	281,354	251,092
1947 ..	1,850	12,496	280,543	257,430
1939 ..	1,863	11,496	250,860	219,171

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (b) Enrolments at 1st August, 1951. (c) Year ended 30th June, 1952. (d) Includes all schools not wholly under Government control. (e) Estimated.

UNIVERSITIES.

University or College and Year.	Teaching Staff.		Students Enrolled.	Degrees Conferred.	Total Income.	Total Expenditure.
	Full-time.	Part-time.				
	No.	No.	No.	No.	£	£
1952.						
Sydney ..	452	418	7,380	1,951	1,554,271	1,588,473
Melbourne ..	367	214	7,390	1,149	1,751,331	1,529,930
Queensland (Brisbane) ..	232	171	3,850	431	827,022	761,842
Adelaide ..	166	116	4,178	351	689,629	677,032
Western Australia (Perth) ..	105	35	1,684	266	512,023	522,467
Tasmania (Hobart) ..	71	11	564	99	224,953	230,916
N.E.W. University of Technology (Sydney) ..	229	311	4,170	57	1,311,255	1,311,255
New England University College (Armidale, N.S.W.) ..	45	20	211	..	163,320	175,447
Canberra University College ..	23	22	284	..	67,526	66,142
Australia ..	1,680	1,315	29,641	4,304	7,101,330	6,865,346
1951 ..	1,549	1,633	31,671	4,498	5,730,060	5,352,421
1950 ..	1,298	1,080	30,630	4,506	3,758,978	3,746,602
1949 ..	1,210	1,182	31,753	3,607	3,134,794	3,298,102
1948 ..	1,219	1,028	32,453	2,863	2,830,177	2,809,063
1939 ..	609	675	14,236	1,802	989,701	974,394

(a) In 1952 the figures relate to income and expenditure (including capital items). Prior to the year 1952 the figures were as presented by each university on a receipts (or income) and payments (or expenditure) basis (excluding capital items) and are not suitable for the construction of a profit and loss statement or revenue account, or for ascertaining the surplus or deficit for the year. In several cases government subsidies relating to expenditure made in earlier years have been included in revenue.

NOTE.—In addition, the Australian National University, Canberra, A.C.T. (a post-graduate research university), had in 1952 a teaching staff of 70, with 23 post-graduate scholars. In 1952, the income was \$1,666,567 and the expenditure was \$1,657,200 (see Note (a)).

POLICE AND PRISONS.

(Number.)

State or Territory and Year.	Police.	Prisons.	Prisoners at end of Period.
1952.			
New South Wales ..	4,088	(a) 15	(a) 2,231
Victoria ..	2,962	9	1,248
Queensland (a) ..	2,449	7	538
South Australia ..	(a) 1,091	16	437
Western Australia (a) ..	929	19	574
Tasmania (a) ..	418	2	154
Northern Territory (a) ..	60	..	44
Australian Capital Territory ..	60	..	..
Australia 1952 ..	12,777	70	5,029
1951 ..	12,318	69	4,444
1950 ..	11,677	71	4,080
1949 ..	11,236	71	3,982
1948 ..	10,850	72	3,680
1939 ..	9,566	74	3,336

(a) Year ended 30th June, 1953.

PUBLIC HOSPITALS.

State or Territory and Year.	Hospitals.	Beds. (a)	Staff.		In-patients treated. (b)	Revenue. (c)	Expenditure. (c)
			Medical.	Nursing.			
No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	£'000	£'000
1951-52.							
New South Wales	257	18,762	3,884	9,762	376,343	15,375	16,174
Victoria	101	10,429	1,823	5,589	176,417	10,254	11,439
Queensland	138	8,531	517	4,303	176,164	4,968	5,983
South Australia	61	3,448	490	1,774	59,374	3,056	3,063
Western Australia	96	4,156	296	1,906	75,538	3,223	3,134
Tasmania	23	1,708	208	855	31,603	1,284	1,289
Aust. Cap. Terr.	1	184	21	77	4,201	204	204
Total 1951-52	675	47,328	6,889	24,536	806,020	38,303	41,290
1950-51	664	46,417	6,424	23,055	8,77,751	31,440	32,582
1949-50	648	45,550	5,917	22,225	8,25,305	24,944	26,205
1948-49	624	44,515	5,471	21,245	7,90,009	10,465	20,661
1947-48	612	43,473	5,336	20,153	7,19,856	17,393	17,805
1938-39	563	35,711	4,059	13,582	652,051	6,342	6,351

(a) Includes particulars, where available, of a considerable number of beds and cots for certain classes of cases in outdoor or venereal hospitals. (b) Southern area excluded. Out-patient cases treated at public hospitals during 1951-52 were as follows: New South Wales, 1,044,597; Victoria, 422,881; Queensland, 475,102; South Australia, 111,558; Western Australia, 109,323; (estimated); Tasmania, 85,110; Australian Capital Territory, 11,651; Australia, 2,286,188. (c) Excludes Loan Receipts and Expenditure for New South Wales. (d) Year 1950-51.

MENTAL HOSPITALS.

State and Year.	Hospitals.	Beds.	Staff.		Patients at end of Year.	Revenue.	Expenditure.
			Medical.	Nursing.			
No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	£'000	£'000
1951-52.							
New South Wales	13	12,189	(a) 66	1,925	12,873	416	3,382
Victoria (b)	9	6,510	75	1,418	7,568	(c) 285	2,705
Queensland (d)	4	4,191	10	817	4,388	12	1,196
South Australia	2	2,427	8	397	2,425	84	689
Western Australia	4	1,506	6	244	1,509	(e) 51	520
Tasmania	1	750	2	184	710	13	257
Australia 1951-52	33	27,773	167	4,985	29,563	861	8,749
1950-51	33	27,512	138	4,826	28,932	812	8,450
1949-50	33	27,367	178	4,604	27,922	725	5,391
1948-49	33	27,272	116	4,487	27,423	604	4,485
1947-48	34	27,219	100	4,198	27,214	508	3,576
1938-39	35	26,654	92	4,022	26,509	263	1,904

(a) In addition there were 39 visiting paid specialists.

(b) Includes the Epileptic Home.

(c) Year 1951.

(d) Year 1951-52.

Section VIII.—Private Finance.

CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS
Average Liabilities within Australia. (a)

Period.	Inter- imable Deposits or Deposit Stock.	Deposits.	Notes in Circulation.	Balance due to other Banks. (b)	Bills payable and all other Li- abilities.	Total Li- abilities.		
	Not Bearing Interest.	Bearing Interest.	Total.					
COMMONWEALTH TRADING BANK OF AUSTRALIA.(c)								
1949-50	..	..	92,000	14,770	11,051	2,724	6,557	26,886
1950-51	..	..	99,239	10,405	108,638	3,014	7,466	119,095
1951-52	..	..	90,200	20,083	110,686	2,544	8,524	121,656
1952-53	..	..	90,664	22,917	119,481	3,820	8,669	131,670
Quarter ended—								
March, 1953	..	..	100,125	24,481	124,606	3,851	9,491	137,947
June, ..	..	..	106,247	25,425	133,672	3,901	9,594	146,067
September, ..	..	..	112,346	30,449	142,794	4,251	7,791	154,836
December, ..	..	..	127,719	38,112	165,831	3,691	8,909	170,740
March, 1954	..	..	121,961	37,391	159,272	418	15,470	175,160
Month—								
January, 1954	..	..	118,258	36,321	155,079	469	15,739	171,291
February ..	..	..	121,595	36,933	158,528	401	15,942	174,871
March, ..	..	..	125,280	37,663	163,222	391	14,881	178,494

PRIVATE TRADING BANKS.

1949-50(d)	2,064	1,305,184	10,000	101	921	3,086	22,394	
1949-50	729	665,347	224,477	910,064	158	33,227	13,923	907,001
1950-51	729	698,400	247,727	1,144,226	158	30,258	18,540	1,213,012
1951-52	729	983,524	238,211	1,201,741	156	61,527	14,019	1,277,125
1952-53	729	943,747	218,699	1,162,446	158	10,622	14,241	1,187,705
Quarter ended—								
March, 1953	91,001,444	219,244	1,221,028	158	3,135	14,814	1,238,744	
June, ..	201,035,071	225,090	1,260,170	158	3,371	15,121	1,279,040	
September, ..	16,966,010	220,238	1,189,152	158	3,324	13,138	1,199,783	
December, ..	17,926,101	249,261	1,179,276	158	3,271	16,000	1,195,527	
March, 1954	13,100,973	244,836	1,386,809	158	3,170	15,674	1,355,724	
Month—								
January, 1954	14,105,324	244,422	1,303,758	158	2,851	18,467	1,320,246	
February, ..	13,101,231	245,856	1,327,107	158	3,156	16,188	1,346,094	
March, ..	13,118,660	244,843	1,368,012	158	3,435	16,792	1,385,410	

OTHER CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS.

1949-50	..	20,206	21,022	10,688	34,100	..	174	1,245	54,778
1950-51	..	20,050	21,047	12,421	44,368	..	154	1,594	56,516
1951-52	..	19,336	37,445	13,369	50,814	..	504	1,476	72,182
1952-53	..	19,286	35,848	15,362	51,150	..	622	526	71,683
Quarter ended—									
March, 1953	..	19,371	61,284	14,996	55,280	..	535	556	75,480
June, ..	..	19,395	60,664	16,017	55,101	..	280	436	75,991
September, ..	..	19,548	55,992	14,836	60,450	..	405	394	70,781
December, ..	..	19,718	57,474	14,701	69,892	..	426	465	71,842
March, 1954	..	19,618	42,754	15,890	64,434	..	426	468	78,943
Month—									
January, 1954	..	19,579	40,835	15,835	56,170	..	311	329	76,369
February, ..	..	19,610	42,862	15,841	58,503	..	384	422	78,923
March, ..	..	19,657	44,203	16,866	60,189	..	553	604	81,003

ALL CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS.

1949-50	..	..	20,943	771,142	249,232	1,020,474	158	86,125	21,125	1,088,817
1950-51	..	..	20,763	767,660	276,533	1,097,233	158	65,467	27,794	1,309,427
1951-52	..	..	20,065	1,001,034	271,670	1,303,243	158	64,678	24,672	1,473,519
1952-53	..	..	19,512	1,076,259	276,818	1,333,077	158	15,076	23,341	1,391,158
Quarter ended—										
March, 1953	..	..	19,462	1,141,853	259,061	1,400,014	158	7,257	24,961	1,435,151
June, ..	..	..	19,612	1,163,040	265,341	1,448,945	158	7,634	15,151	1,500,496
September, ..	..	..	19,570	1,134,606	271,520	1,346,376	158	7,972	21,318	1,435,400
December, ..	..	..	19,718	1,167,001	267,660	1,444,379	158	8,266	21,879	1,494,098
March, 1954	..	..	19,635	1,256,708	297,806	1,554,514	158	4,016	31,507	1,606,827
Month—										
January, 1954	..	..	19,593	1,219,417	296,568	1,515,005	158	3,831	29,529	1,567,914
February, ..	..	..	19,623	1,255,706	298,430	1,554,158	158	3,947	32,522	1,610,388
March, ..	..	..	19,670	1,288,141	298,282	1,586,423	158	4,379	32,277	1,647,007

(a) Averages of liabilities at close of business on weekly balance days in periods.

(b) Includes short term loans from Central Bank.

(c) General Banking Division of Commonwealth Bank prior to 1st December, 1953.

(d) Not strictly comparable with last figure.

Cheque-paying Banks—continued.
Average Assets within Australia. (a)
(\$'000.)

Period.	Cash and Cash Balances (b)	Special Account with Gov't Bank. (c)	Balance with other Banks. (d)	Australian Public Securities		Other Securities	Loans, Advances and Bill- Discounted.	All other Assets.	Total Assets.
				Treasury Bills.	Other.				
COMMONWEALTH TRADING BANK OF AUSTRALIA. (d)									
1949-50	6,166	..	512	1,002	35,355	..	45,306	1,877	91,176
1950-51	7,178	..	820	24,049	29,888	..	55,491	2,548	123,734
1951-52	5,581	..	904	26,392	13,274	..	76,407	3,320	125,899
1952-53	5,784 (e) 21,731	..	1,600	17,259	25,640	..	56,492	3,364	125,726
Quarter ended—									
March, 1953 ..	10,345 (e) 19,709	..	1,338	25,600	26,960	..	60,847	3,790	145,501
June, ..	10,217 (e) 30,865	..	1,784	33,140	16,511	..	74,375	4,549	143,702
September, ..	10,900 (e) 22,250	..	685	31,957	18,457	..	83,126	5,370	142,456
December, ..	11,114 (e) 32,250	..	776	26,654	22,199	..	68,479	4,797	137,953
March, 1954 ..	10,235 (e) 36,436	..	789	19,484	35,078	..	71,729	4,560	176,830
Month of—									
January, 1954 ..	10,501 (e) 32,800	..	637	10,600	35,078	..	71,590	4,181	175,637
February, ..	10,840 (e) 34,450	..	792	20,850	35,078	..	71,627	4,488	179,283
March, ..	9,719 (e) 38,350	..	914	18,300	35,078	..	71,944	4,688	180,687

PRIVATE TRADING BANKS

1949-50 (f)	6,000	377,000	17,662	58,540	15,477	..	288,169	9,423	377,675
1950-51	6,333	500,317	37,613	26,545	35,819	..	536	405,890	18,372
1951-52	60,889	465,991	39,140	32,402	66,415	..	1,129	79,325	18,869
1952-53	74,712	211,737	22,560	123,056	66,415	..	1,144	691,435	38,181
Quarter ended—									
March, 1953 ..	87,694	190,586	22,365	185,729	90,094	..	2,906	816,467	29,224
June, ..	71,392	291,263	39,854	137,499	111,407	..	2,025	680,925	59,770
September, ..	66,967	270,717	15,892	100,006	139,716	..	2,278	692,712	31,610
December, ..	71,729	260,598	16,676	100,759	125,587	..	3,104	691,435	31,791
March, 1954 ..	75,788	287,345	17,464	136,462	138,707	..	3,894	686,610	35,498
Month of—									
January, 1954 ..	87,013	257,203	15,333	129,563	135,029	..	5,545	654,091	35,094
February, ..	75,011	285,378	17,758	147,687	138,450	..	5,608	656,917	36,498
March, ..	66,779	315,423	18,777	133,000	141,800	..	4,356	664,301	39,143

OTHER CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS

1949-50	4,000	2,026	1,188	1,048	13,135	..	225	45,236	..	72,567
1950-51	4,852	3,271	1,700	3,087	12,577	..	182	60,694	4,613	85,747
1951-52	4,164	2,612	1,906	2,925	14,880	..	111	61,614	5,423	86,671
1952-53	4,640	1,153	2,158	3,011	15,874	..	149	64,731	5,786	94,871
Quarter ended—										
March, 1953 ..	6,415	1,092	2,200	6,070	15,897	..	212	63,606	4,214	85,641
June, ..	4,011	1,070	2,401	4,274	15,461	..	124	65,706	3,792	86,761
September, ..	4,182	1,077	2,600	4,774	15,160	..	233	64,721	3,833	86,471
December, ..	4,691	1,097	2,979	3,905	14,907	..	247	66,007	3,777	86,985
March, 1954 ..	4,693	1,092	2,208	10,314	14,131	..	344	66,040	3,598	105,860
Month of—										
January, 1954 ..	5,788	1,087	2,357	7,723	14,041	..	211	65,884	3,584	102,888
February, ..	5,645	1,117	2,402	10,458	14,040	..	361	65,861	3,677	103,977
March, ..	5,654	1,117	2,402	10,458	14,040	..	438	65,316	3,568	105,178

ALL CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS

1949-50	92,163	379,662	18,381	29,112	182,391	..	761	465,434	24,039	1,043,227
1950-51	71,901	605,546	26,341	64,020	129,487	..	1,311	598,417	25,049	1,104,777
1951-52	72,274	468,063	31,894	61,719	165,570	..	1,237	616,646	31,601	1,285,799
1952-53	88,198	274,627	26,558	141,709	176,227	..	2,564	765,315	37,469	1,215,887
Quarter ended—										
March, 1953 ..	103,870	217,787	26,475	215,002	130,620	..	3,040	720,376	37,233	1,469,280
June, ..	87,092	323,197	29,689	178,415	142,770	..	3,021	717,522	37,711	1,519,900
September, ..	81,096	218,044	10,057	126,231	151,969	..	3,730	750,140	38,442	1,497,419
December, ..	87,496	260,487	19,021	133,972	157,068	..	4,611	736,149	41,201	1,507,810
March, 1954 ..	91,651	328,872	19,579	166,260	187,016	..	5,516	736,379	47,045	1,539,218
Month of—										
January, 1954 ..	103,003	291,040	18,519	156,888	184,144	..	5,077	761,414	49,129	1,569,194
February, ..	91,130	317,945	20,846	178,096	187,568	..	5,300	763,225	46,881	1,542,376
March, ..	85,212	354,240	21,232	163,570	191,212	..	6,073	802,531	47,901	1,570,311

(a) Average of assets at close of business on weekly balance days in periods.
 (b) Cash and cash with Commonwealth Bank.
 (c) General Banking Division of Commonwealth Bank prior to 30th December, 1953.
 (d) General Banking Division of Commonwealth Bank prior to 30th December, 1953.
 (e) Special Deposit Account with the Central Bank.
 (f) Not strictly comparable with latter figures.
 (g) Includes Bank of Western Australia account with State Treasury and State Bank of South Australia deposit.

COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRALIA.

Rural Credits, Mortgage Bank and Industrial Finance Departments—Average Weekly Assets. (\$'000.)

Period.	Rural Credits Department	Mortgage Bank Department	Advances		Total	Treasury Bills	Government and Municipal Securities
			Hire Purchase	Other			
1949-50	13,940	3,332	12,756	6,234	36,362	..	..
1950-51	18,715	3,946	14,064	7,336	39,754	78	227
1951-52	16,653	4,155	15,480	8,666	47,952	63	463
1952-53	14,963	4,567	14,847	8,145	72,122	460	946
Quarter ended—							
March, 1953 ..	31,167	4,247	15,330	8,209	90,653	560	1,042
June, ..	27,614	4,258	15,894	7,017	104,784	627	1,267
September, ..	38,478	4,368	16,362	4,870	64,276	554	1,267
December, ..	18,766	4,484	16,846	4,548	44,071	670	1,731
March, 1954 ..	49,680	4,822	16,648	4,676	76,299	616	1,883
Month of—							
January 1954 ..	25,578	4,580	16,927	4,554	51,459	625	1,731
February, ..	48,094	4,626	16,649	4,638	73,947	580	1,731
March, ..	70,429	4,661	16,423	4,806	96,326	580	2,127

COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRALIA.

**Central Banking Business (Including Note Issues Department).
 (Average of weekly figures.)
 (\$A'000.)**

Period.	Notes on Issue		Total	Special Accounts of Trading Banks	Other Deposits of Trading Banks	Other Liabilities (including Capital and Reserve Funds)	Gold and Silver Held Abroad	Government and Other Securities (including Treasury Bills)
	Bank	Public						
1949-50	27,026	191,272	222,198	37,632	30,661	200,345	434,014	248,965
1950-51	32,725	219,048	251,770	34,248	34,006	258,230	686,270	386,570
1951-52	38,667	257,552	293,659	408,800	31,112	270,837	470,614	507,089
1952-53	36,860	281,332	318,192	212,490	45,447	267,361	363,576	454,771
Quarter ended—								
March, 1953 ..	37,614	284,000	321,710	167,678	59,201	287,202	390,593	395,116
June, ..	36,412	291,235	327,647	155,381	59,000	285,116	454,485	431,408
September, ..	36,000	285,068	321,068	150,600	40,767	270,157	491,659	425,011
December, ..	39,098	298,776	338,744	197,674	38,608	299,760	468,068	475,051
March, 1954 ..	39,769	299,423	339,192	223,952	45,800	261,514	506,686	585,546
Month of—								
January, 1954 ..	42,505	297,796	340,301	201,040	55,537	284,450	520,184	408,299
February, ..	38,475	298,588	337,063	147,945	46,149	282,478	520,000	382,197
March, ..	38,500	301,164	339,663	154,890	47,748	264,120	505,677	475,068

COMMONWEALTH NOTES OUTSTANDING.

(\$'000.)

Denomination	1950 Mar.	1951 Mar.	1952 Mar.	1953 Mar.	1954 Jan.	1954 Feb.	1954 Mar.
10s	4,112	9,202	9,440	9,719	9,749	9,830	9,915
5s	20,964	70,813	68,369	67,855	68,114	68,748	69,371
1s	11,696	114,371	139,623	154,312	165,051	167,000	169,225
10s	5,094	76,824	82,218	90,238	90,578	90,598	91,062
5s	229	7	7	6	6	6	6
1s	1,254	64	59	64	51	51	51
10s	2,241	67	82	60	78	67	57
5s	2,574	813	664	474	2,006	575	759
By Public	14,821	36,775	36,392	35,550	37,770	37,078	39,233
By Bank	22,909	234,486	261,027	267,368	295,843	299,754	311,880
Total	47,330	270,271	297,171	322,918	335,013	336,863	341,113

SAVINGS BANKS—DEPOSITS. (£'000.)

Amount on deposit at end of—	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	N. Terr.	Act. Cap. Terr.	Total
ALL SAVINGS BANKS (a)									
June 1939 ..	87,474	80,461	29,045	27,297	12,096	8,906	99	319	245,847
1950 ..	258,874	257,121	92,201	47,695	30,812	34,372	859	1,451	702,085
1951 ..	284,467	281,779	98,810	97,840	44,072	37,155	905	1,717	837,444
1952 ..	304,532	310,832	102,661	103,739	47,171	30,110	1,070	1,821	981,888
1953 ..	319,149	319,971	109,659	113,875	49,794	32,074	1,116	2,154	1,047,497
Mar. 1958	313,701	311,603	106,374	110,113	48,601	31,354	1,064	2,070	925,043
June ..	319,149	319,971	109,360	113,875	49,794	32,078	1,116	2,154	947,497
Sept. ..	325,200	324,937	112,829	116,292	50,963	33,048	1,234	2,282	966,808
Dec. ..	327,659	327,654	114,001	117,294	51,374	32,851	1,249	2,282	973,740
Jan. 1954	329,391	327,778	115,732	117,430	51,290	32,875	1,226	2,291	976,488
Feb. ..	329,344	329,403	114,388	119,119	51,348	33,329	1,227	2,292	983,456
Mar. ..	331,335	329,868	114,218	119,095	51,091	33,304	1,227	2,312	981,940

COMMONWEALTH SAVINGS BANK.

Amount on deposit at end of—	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	N. Terr.	Act. Cap. Terr.	Total
COMMONWEALTH SAVINGS BANK.									
June 1939 ..	87,474	11,242	29,045	3,167	12,096	2,358	99	319	146,100
1950 ..	258,874	58,441	92,201	16,657	39,812	9,144	859	1,451	477,320
1951 ..	284,467	68,092	98,810	20,203	44,672	10,497	905	1,717	529,653
1952 ..	304,532	76,485	102,661	22,592	47,171	11,066	1,070	1,821	567,618
1953 ..	319,149	85,137	109,360	25,493	49,794	12,179	1,116	2,154	604,883
Mar. 1953	313,701	82,107	106,374	24,499	48,601	11,604	1,064	2,070	580,199
June ..	319,149	85,137	109,360	25,493	49,794	12,179	1,116	2,154	604,368
Sept. ..	325,200	87,401	112,829	26,392	50,963	12,562	1,234	2,282	618,678
Dec. ..	327,659	88,642	114,001	26,720	51,374	12,320	1,249	2,282	624,629
Jan. 1954	329,391	86,446	113,732	26,855	51,290	12,315	1,226	2,291	626,378
Feb. ..	332,344	90,294	114,388	27,136	51,348	12,403	1,227	2,292	631,378
Mar. ..	331,335	90,270	114,238	27,177	51,091	12,392	1,227	2,312	630,002

(a) Includes Commonwealth Savings Bank.

NOTE.—Sales of War Savings and Savings Certificates were discontinued after 31st January, 1949, except for sales to wind up savings groups, &c. The net amount outstanding at the end of March, 1954, was £31,315,000.

ALL CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS—AVERAGE WEEKLY DEBITS TO CUSTOMERS' ACCOUNTS (a)

(Excluding Debits to Australian Government Accounts at Capital City Branches.)
(£'000.)

Period.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australian Capital Territory.	Total.
1940-50 ..	104,870	97,758	29,492	16,326	13,744	5,005	263	271,050
1950-51 ..	185,119	134,925	39,011	26,844	19,250	7,770	373	372,888
1951-52 ..	196,862	142,836	41,516	30,982	21,410	8,872	479	402,431
1952-53 ..	191,098	131,998	43,796	30,083	22,091	8,550	580	389,316
Quarter ended—								
March, 1953 ..	147,707	132,119	41,146	30,716	24,145	8,326	588	384,786
June ..	155,317	139,564	46,312	32,299	25,277	9,778	676	403,586
September ..	159,072	141,752	50,096	30,906	22,330	9,261	764	403,651
December ..	170,987	157,601	52,899	32,899	26,898	9,610	770	455,739
March, 1954 ..	168,463	162,570	46,701	33,324	26,162	9,882	753	447,848
Month of—								
January, 1954 ..	151,876	146,336	43,426	28,511	25,901	8,104	983	405,116
February ..	164,751	156,462	47,450	34,445	25,653	8,943	583	438,747
March ..	184,878	180,426	48,401	36,377	26,777	12,024	722	459,397

(a) Compiled from returns lodged under the Banking Act 1945-1953.

BANK, ETC., INTEREST RATES, 31st MARCH, 1954.

Particulars.	Rate per Annum.	Date from which Operated.	Previous Rate per Annum.
Commonwealth Bank of Australia—	Per cent.		Per cent.
Rural Credits Department—Government Guarantees (Loans)	3½	1.8.52	3½
—Other ..	4	1.8.52	3½
Mortgage Bank Department Loans—			
5 to 20 years ..	4½	1.8.52	4½
over 20 years ..	4½	1.8.52	4½
Industrial Finance Department—Term Loans ..	4½	1.8.52	4½
Commonwealth Savings Bank—			
Loans to Local Government Authorities	4½ to 4½	23.10.52	4½ to 4½
Credits Forfeited Housing Loans ..	4½	1.8.52	3½
Commonwealth Trading Bank of Australia(s)—			
Overdraft—General ..	4½	1.8.52	4½
Local Government Authorities ..	4½	1.8.52	4½
Other Trading Banks—Overdraft (Maximum Rate)	5	1.8.52	4½
Life Assurance Companies—Loans on own policies	5	1.8.52	4½
Commonwealth Loans—Long Term ..	4½	25.11.51	3½
Treasury Bills (Discount Rates)	1	1.8.52	1
Fixed Deposits with Trading Banks—			
3 months ..	1	29.7.52	1
6 months ..	1½	29.7.52	1
12 months ..	1½	29.7.52	1
24 months—			
First £10,000 ..	1½	29.7.52	1½
Amounts in excess of £10,000 ..	1½	29.7.52	1
Savings Banks—Deposits other than Fixed Deposits—			
On first £500—			
Commonwealth Savings Bank ..	2½	1.8.52	2
State Savings Bank of Victoria ..	2½	1.8.52	2
Trustee Savings Banks, Hohart and Launceston (on amounts up to £450)	2½	1.9.52	2½
Savings Bank of South Australia ..	2½	1.8.52	2½
On amounts in excess of £500, but not exceeding £1,000(b)—			
Commonwealth Savings Bank ..	1½	1.8.52	1
State Savings Bank of Victoria ..	1½	1.8.52	1
Savings Bank of South Australia ..	1½	1.8.52	1½

(a) Rates quoted prior to 3rd December, 1953, are for the General Banking Division of the Commonwealth Bank. (b) No interest is payable on amounts in excess of £1,000 except on deposits in Friendly and other society accounts. The rates for these accounts in amounts in excess of £500 at 31st March, 1954, were: £501-£2,000, 3½ per cent.; £2,001 and over, 1½ per cent.

Section IX.—Transport and Communication.

OVERSEA SHIPPING—ENTRANCES AND CLEARANCES.
AUSTRALIA.

Year.	Entrances.				Clearances.			
	With Cargo.		With Cargo and in Ballast.		With Cargo.		With Cargo and in Ballast.	
	No.	'000 Net Tons.	No.	'000 Net Tons.	No.	'000 Net Tons.	No.	'000 Net Tons.
1938-39 ..	1,372	5,964	1,876	6,711	1,400	5,990	1,938	6,835
1948-40 ..	1,371	6,229	1,706	7,476	1,417	5,828	1,780	7,537
1949-50 ..	1,726	7,072	1,942	8,716	1,480	6,209	1,965	8,062
1950-51 ..	1,769	8,200	1,911	8,601	1,430	6,169	1,992	8,707
1951-52 ..	1,880	8,580	2,038	8,973	1,423	6,118	2,068	9,232
1952-53 ..	1,546	7,312	1,989	8,704	1,582	6,522	2,053	8,967
Nine months ended—								
March, 1953..	1,162	5,535	1,443	6,353	1,149	4,782	1,511	6,566
“ 1954..	1,203	5,716	1,25	6,611	1,128	4,672	1,544	6,630

OVERSEA AND INTERSTATE TONNAGE OF CARGO—Discharged and Shipped.
('000.)

NOTE.—Cargo recorded by measurement has been converted to ton measurement on the basis of 1 ton measurement = 40 cubic feet. The figures in the measurement columns are not equivalent to those in the weight columns but are additional.

State or Territory, and Year.	Discharged.				Shipped.			
	Interstate.		Oversea.		Interstate.		Oversea.	
	Tons Weight.	Tons Measurement.	Tons Weight.	Tons Measurement.	Tons Weight.	Tons Measurement.	Tons Weight.	Tons Measurement.
NINE MONTHS ENDED MARCH, 1953.								
New South Wales ..	3,112	235	1,684	529	2,718	271	811	323
Victoria ..	1,815	134	1,826	494	306	180	737	367
Queensland ..	217	208	549	110	522	72	818	91
South Australia ..	1,028	163	725	158	2,310	151	923	97
Western Australia ..	180	194	807	88	397	88	756	111
Tasmania ..	350	21	153	51	300	160	70	58
Northern Territory ..	21	..	28	..	3	..	..	..
Australia ..	6,957	1,104	5,772	1,420	6,556	922	4,115	1,047

NINE MONTHS ENDED MARCH, 1954.								
New South Wales ..	2,925	295	1,866	838	2,311	324	1,248	279
Victoria ..	1,657	241	2,09	687	261	310	625	353
Queensland ..	248	240	602	161	396	69	1,040	86
South Australia ..	1,270	142	713	210	2,498	176	1,105	69
Western Australia ..	207	189	770	128	508	172	391	88
Tasmania ..	353	142	160	31	315	152	53	45
Northern Territory ..	23	..	35	..	6	..	2	..
Australia ..	6,883	1,558	6,204	2,063	6,676	1,123	4,464	922
Total—1952-53 ..	5,990	1,482	7,723	1,059	8,047	1,219	3,045	1,028
“ 1951-52 ..	7,972	1,638	9,727	1,462	7,097	1,325	4,487	1,231
“ 1950-51 ..	6,980	1,612	9,064	1,368	6,723	1,326	5,405	1,256
“ 1949-50 ..	6,447	1,320	7,640	1,276	6,419	1,267	5,081	1,258
“ 1948-49 ..	6,990	1,451	5,849	2,572	6,230	1,173	5,423	1,266
“ 1938-39 ..	7,074	2,003	4,208	2,101	7,221	1,731	5,138	1,093

OVERSEA SHIPPING FREIGHT RATES FROM AUSTRALIA TO THE UNITED KINGDOM AND CONTINENT AT 31st MARCH, 1954.

(These rates are expressed in sterling.)

(1 Ton Measurement = 40 Cubic Feet.)

FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN, EXCLUDING LIVE ANIMALS—		8s. 6d. per box (56 lb.).
Butter (Refrigerator) ..	..	11d. per lb.
Cheese (Refrigerator) ..	..	25s. 6d. per ton measurement.
Eggs (in shell) ..	..	..
Meats—		..
Preserved by Cold Process (Refrigerator)—	..	2s. 6d. per lb.
Beef ..	..	2s. 6d. ..
Lamb ..	..	2s. 6d. ..
Mutton ..	..	19s. 6d. per ton measurement.
Rabbits and Hares ..	..	25s. 6d. ..
Preserved in tin ..	..	16s. 6d. ..
Sausage Chunks—(fried)—cans of 250g. ..	..	25s. ..
.. (Refrigerator) in brine in cans ..	..	25s. ..
Milk and Cream (condensed) ..	..	..
FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN—		..
Sugar (Refined) ..	..	26s. .. per ton weight.
Jams ..	..	19s. 6d. per ton measurement.
Jellies ..	..	16s. 6d. ..
Dried Fruits ..	..	19s. 6d. ..
Fruit, Fresh (Refrigerator)—	..	10s. 3d. per basket case.
Apples ..	..	10s. 3d. ..
Oranges ..	..	..
Grain and Pulse, unprepared—	..	..
Wheat—	..	95s. .. per ton weight.
Bulk ..	..	107s. 6d. ..
Bagged ..	..	110s. ..
Barley ..	..	122s. 6d. ..
Oats ..	..	115s. ..
Malt ..	..	..
Grain and Pulse, prepared—	..	110s. ..
Flour, Wheat ..	..	130s. ..
Rice ..	..	122s. 6d. ..
Polished ..	..	115s. ..
Rice (clean, husked) ..	..	106s. 6d. per ton measurement.
WINE ..		..
ANIMAL SUBSTANCES (RAILWAY MANUFACTURED), NOT FOODSTUFFS—		..
Hides and Skins—	..	11d. per lb.
Oil ..	..	11d. ..
Sheep ..	..	4s. 6d. ..
Habbit ..	..	4s. 6d. ..
Other ..	..	10s. 6d. per ton measurement.
Feather-shell ..	..	2 7/8d. per lb. less 7%.
Greasy ..	..	8 3/4d. ..
Scoured and Washed ..	..	8 3/4d. ..
Tape ..	..	3 3/4d. per lb. (net).
VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES—		..
Compressed Fodder ..	..	166s. 6d. per ton weight.
Bark, Tanning ..	..	136s. 6d. ..
Gum ..	..	27s. 6d. ..
Banana ..	..	166s. 6d. per ton measurement.
Raw Cotton (in bales) ..	..	21d. per lb.
APPAREL, TEXTILES AND MANUFACTURED FIBRES—		..
Apparel and Attire (Effects) ..	..	26s. 6d. per ton measurement.
Binder Twine ..	..	10s. 6d. per ton weight.
OILS, FATS AND WAXES—		..
Oil—	..	..
Eucalyptus ..	..	166s. 6d. per ton measurement.
Other ..	..	188s. ..
Tallow, Unrefined ..	..	..
PAINTS AND VARNISHES ..	..	166s. 6d. per ton measurement.

Oceania Shipping Freight Rates from Australia to the United Kingdom and Continent at 31st March, 1964—continued.

(1 Ton Measurement = 40 Cubic Feet.)

ORES AND METALS, UNMANUFACTURED OR PARTLY MANUFACTURED—

Ore (in sacks)	per ton weight.
Edi or over per ton	290s.
Under 220 per ton	110s.
Zinc—	
<i>Ex Randam</i>	68s. 6d.
Other than above	88s. 6d.
Just (in cases)	82s. 6d.
Sheet (in cases)	172s.
Copper (ingots)	161s. 6d.
Lead	68s. 6d.
Steel—	
Billets (up to 50 feet)	180s.
Pipes	144s.
Tin Clippings hydraulically pressed	83s. 6d.

RUBBER AND LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF, AND SUBSTITUTES THEREOF—

Rubber	150s. 6d. per ton measurement.
Leather	265s. 6d. per ton weight.

WOOD, RAW AND MANUFACTURED—

Timber—	
Logs up to 40-ft. lengths	77s. 5d. per 100 super. feet.
over 40 and up to 50-ft. lengths	83s. 2d. "
over 50 and up to 60-ft. lengths	89s. 4d. "
Sawn, Unseasoned, up to 30-ft. lengths	45s. 7d. "

EARTHENWARE, CEMENT, CHINA AND GLASS

	166s. 6d. per ton measurement.
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STATIONERY

	166s. 6d. " "
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DRUGS, CHEMICALS AND FERTILISERS—

Fertilisers	166s. 6d. " " weight
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MISCELLANEOUS—

Soap	166s. 6d. " " measurement
Cash	265s. 6d. " " weight

SPECIE

	15s. per cent
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INTERSTATE, NEW ZEALAND AND ISLANDS SHIPPING FREIGHT RATES, GENERAL CARGO, 31st March, 1964.

(Per Ton Weight or Measurement: 1 Ton Meas. = 40 Cubic Feet.)

(These rates are expressed in Australian currency.)

To—	From—					
	Brisbane.	Sydney.			Melbourne.	
	Direct.	Direct.	Trans- shipped at Wellington.	Direct.	Trans- shipped at Sydney.	Direct.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Brisbane	...	134 6	...	134 0	...	...
Sydney	134 6	...	...	133 0	...	...
Melbourne	154 0	133 0	...	...	...	...
Adelaide	156 6	147 0	...	117 6	...	...
Perth	172 6(a)	165 0	...	157 0	...	...
Hobart	150 0	129 0	...	115 6	...	...
Launceston, Devonport, Burnie	163 6(b)	129 0	...	101 0	...	...
Auckland	177 6	168 9	272 7(c)	168 9	319 5	319 5
Wellington	177 6(c)	168 9(c)	...	168 9(c)	319 5(c)	319 5(c)
Lyttelton	177 6	168 9	272 7(c)	168 9	319 5	319 5
Dunedin	177 6	168 9	272 7(c)	168 9	319 5	319 5
New Hebrides—VMA	...	260 0	...	...	418 0	...
Norfolk Island	...	300 0	...	...	458 0	...
Papua—	...	...	...	...	...	...
Port Moresby	190 0	190 0	...	215 0	338 0	...
Sumari	190 0	190 0	...	215 0	338 0	...
Territory of New Guinea—	...	...	...	...	...	...
Lae and Madang	220 0	220 0	...	245 0	368 0	...
Babaul	200 0	200 0	...	225 0	348 0	...

(a) Plus 15s. per ton if trans-shipped.
Wellington Harbour Improvement Charge.

(b) Trans-shipped at Sydney.

(c) Included

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS

System.	1938-39.	1948-49.	1949-50.	1950-51.	1951-52.	1952-53.
ROUTE-MILEAGE OPEN AT END OF YEAR.						
Commonwealth	2,201	2,201	2,201	2,201	2,201	2,201
New South Wales	6,114	6,113	6,113	6,113	6,113	6,113
Victoria	4,759	4,697	4,687	4,686	4,684	4,680
Queensland	6,567	6,560	6,560	6,560	6,560	6,560
South Australia	2,557	2,547	2,553	2,553	2,553	2,553
Western Australia	4,378	4,321	4,2 2	4,228	4,113	4,108
Tasmania	658	614	613	613	613	613
Australia	27,234	27,053	23, 79	23,954	26,847	26,808

TRAFIC TRAIN-MILES RUN.(a) ('000 miles.)

Commonwealth	902	1,667	1,670	1,841	1,889	1,738
New South Wales	30,106	(b) 40,502	(b) 41,369	(b) 38,112	(b) 40, 12	(b) 40,193
Victoria	17,890	17,852	17,550	14,575	16,973	17,690
Queensland	18,927	(a) 17,443	(a) 17,674	(a) 18,522	(a) 18,552	(a) 18,554
South Australia	6,177	6,059	6,356	6,379	6,943	7,199
Western Australia	6,075	7,037	6,733	7,136	6,802	6,535
Tasmania	1,906	2,225	2,080	2,071	2,062	1,990
Australia	77,463	92,285	93,432	88,676	93,363	92,629

PASSENGER-JOURNEYS. ('000.)

Commonwealth	117	217	104	186	191	190
New South Wales	184,723	233,116	238,183	238,567	263,168	271,699
Victoria	142,124	176,555	182,101	141,313	165,131	162,957
Queensland	24,639	32,687	32,366	34,145	35,629	35,819
South Australia	17,523	18,210	17,385	17,177	18,239	17,566
Western Australia	11,415	12,124	11,188	11,543	10,336	6,339
Tasmania	2,297	3,295	3,231	3,182	3,186	3,161
Australia	384,341	506,704	504,648	476,113	500,510	497,620

GOODS AND LIVESTOCK CARRIED. ('000 tons.)

Commonwealth	186	546	549	591	694	660
New South Wales	15,417	18,080	16,997	18,324	19,817	18,121
Victoria	5,976	8,869	9,123	7,539	9,274	9,113
Queensland	5,214	6,888	6,943	7,182	6,223	7,351
South Australia	2,640	3,793	3,49 2	3,794	4,351	4,543
Western Australia	2,859	2,737	2,843	3,033	3,003	2,619
Tasmania	844	801	770	801	889	887
Australia	33,156	41,704	40,910	41,324	44,841	44,383

(a) Excludes "Assistant" and "Light" mileages.

(b) Estimated.

(c) Partly estimated.

TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATION.

Government Railways—continued.

System.	1933-34.	1943-44.	1949-50.	1950-51.	1951-52.	1952-53.
GROSS REVENUE.(a)						
(£'000.)						
Commonwealth ..	547	1,673	1,875	2,153	2,825	2,710
New South Wales ..	19,146	39,663	40,122	43,443	68,910	72,676
Victoria ..	9,274	17,259	20,375	18,651	24,186	31,864
Queensland ..	7,798	15,302	15,988	19,772	23,368	25,985
South Australia ..	3,119	5,549	6,512	7,315	9,457	11,891
Western Australia ..	3,599	5,090	6,262	6,969	8,885	7,667
Tasmania ..	487	1,060	1,049	1,336	1,797	2,039
Australia ..	43,970	85,976	92,103	105,644	139,513	154,832
WORKING EXPENSES.						
(£'000.)						
Commonwealth ..	842	1,776	1,979	2,434	2,808	2,723
New South Wales ..	14,543	35,739	39,230	49,168	64,020	66,453
Victoria ..	8,060	17,816	19,984	20,810	29,012	34,008
Queensland ..	6,193	14,163	15,857	19,427	24,646	27,979
South Australia ..	2,931	7,237	8,440	9,992	13,505	15,013
Western Australia ..	2,911	6,612	7,387	8,932	11,016	12,510
Tasmania ..	678	1,612	1,723	2,009	2,567	2,864
Australia ..	35,958	84,956	94,655	112,772	148,174	161,554
NET REVENUE.						
(£'000.)						
Commonwealth ..	— 95	— 103	— 104	— 281	117	— 18
New South Wales ..	4,603	3,924	842	230	4,890	6,224
Victoria ..	1,214	— 557	371	— 2,159	— 5,428	— 2,144
Queensland ..	1,405	1,229	131	345	1,238	1,994
South Australia ..	188	— 1,388	— 1,928	— 2,677	— 4,048	— 3,122
Western Australia ..	688	— 1,522	— 1,095	— 1,963	— 2,131	— 4,843
Tasmania ..	— 191	— 563	— 679	— 673	— 770	— 825
Australia ..	8,012	1,020	— 2,462	— 7,128	— 8,656	— 6,722
RATIO OF WORKING EXPENSES TO GROSS REVENUE.						
(PER CENT.)						
Commonwealth ..	117.23	106.17	105.53	113.04	95.99	100.60
New South Wales ..	75.96	90.11	97.90	99.43	92.90	91.44
Victoria ..	83.91	103.23	98.18	111.68	122.43	108.73
Queensland ..	79.42	92.02	99.18	98.20	105.51	103.67
South Australia ..	93.97	123.74	129.61	136.80	142.81	123.26
Western Australia ..	80.90	123.89	117.40	123.17	123.98	163.18
Tasmania ..	139.18	153.62	164.73	150.35	142.81	140.44
Australia ..	81.78	98.81	102.67	106.74	106.20	104.34

(a) Excludes Government Grants.

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes loss.

TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATION.

Government Railways—continued.

(The table on this page is prepared from quarterly statements supplied by each Government Railway, and figures therein are not necessarily comparable with those shown in preceding pages which are derived, in the main, from the Annual Reports of the Government Railways.)

Particulars.	C'wealth.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.(b)	W.A.	Tas.	Total.
SIX MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER, 1952.								
Miles open ..	2,301	6,113	4,980	6,491	2,553	4,113	613	26,777
Train-miles run ..	833	20,048	8,810	9,523	3,903	2,030	958	45,850
Revenue £'000—								
Coaching (Passengers, Parcels, Mails, &c.)	332	9,902	5,125	2,358	894	417	83	19,158
Goods, including Live-stock and Minerals	964	24,372	9,055	10,799	4,522	2,446	818	52,990
Miscellaneous	106	(c) 5,508	991	(d)	430	214	30	(f) 9,776
Total Revenue ..	1,321	97,480	15,171	13,182	5,846	3,077	931	77,008
Working Expenses £'000	1,850	33,857	17,087	18,597	7,512	5,448	1,224	81,225
Net Revenue ..	— 529	3,923	— 2,797	— 715	— 1,066	— 2,371	— 293	— 4,317
Ratio of Working Expenses to Revenue %	102.30	90.34	113.54	106.42	128.50	177.06	131.48	105.48
Working Expenses per Train-mile ..	214.84	378.44	278.64	328.44	304.44	194.76	124.76	338.74
Passenger-journeys '000	328.54	338.54	408.54	398.54	418.54	538.54	258.54	358.54
Freight Carried, '000 tons	93	134,132	62,335	17,633	5,713	2,229	242,283	
Coal and Coke ..	219	(g)	(g)	813	473	247	115	(g)
Other Minerals ..	5	(g)	(g)	344	347	101	(h)	(g)
Livestock ..	131	(i) 648	341	353	117	72	10	1,687
Other Goods ..	79	9,240	4,091	2,561	1,228	596	501	18,985
Total Freight ..	334	9,983	4,482	4,091	2,185	1,018	426	22,349

SIX MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER, 1953.

Miles open ..	2,301	6,113	4,980	6,491	2,553	4,108	613	26,779
Train-miles run ..	1,029	21,460	9,101	10,061	3,700	3,477	941	49,872
Revenue £'000—								
Coaching (Passengers, Parcels, Mails, &c.)	423	10,187	5,379	2,602	923	625	101	20,240
Goods, including Live-stock and Minerals	1,006	26,887	10,845	13,066	4,989	4,387	925	62,274
Miscellaneous	131	(j) 457	994	(g)	481	269	85	(j) 2,297
Total Revenue ..	1,759	97,511	17,218	15,658	6,343	5,261	1,061	84,811
Working Expenses £'000	1,448	32,909	17,429	14,938	7,294	6,855	1,322	81,300
Net Revenue ..	291	3,902	— 211	1,050	— 951	— 594	— 261	3,511
Ratio of Working Expenses to Revenue %	85.13	98.13	101.23	95.20	114.99	130.29	124.63	95.86
Working Expenses per Train-mile ..	346.24	356.04	374.104	314.14	344.34	298.55	217.65	346.04
Passenger-journeys '000	296.14	306.14	386.44	396.04	396.54	536.44	256.14	386.74
Freight Carried, '000 tons	100	135,803	81,859	17,619	5,711	4,117	1,027	335,518
Coal and Coke ..	258	(g)	(g)	824	563	270	125	(g)
Other Minerals ..	4	(g)	(g)	318	348	139	(h)	(g)
Livestock ..	73	(i) 689	299	378	122	74	8	1,850
Other Goods ..	71	9,908	3,946	3,261	1,309	1,067	545	19,902
Total Freight ..	406	10,592	4,245	4,779	2,389	1,350	478	24,459

(a) Excludes South Brisbane—Bower section of the Uniform Gauge Line. (b) Includes road motor. (c) Operations affected by industrial dispute. (d) From sale of electrical energy only; earnings reduced as from 1st January, 1953, owing to transfer of power stations to Electricity Commission of New South Wales. Other miscellaneous included with Coaching and Goods. (e) Included with Coaching. (f) Excludes Government contribution towards non-paying developmental lines. (g) Excludes depreciation. (h) Included with Other Goods. (j) Not available. (k) Included with Coal and Coke. (l) Estimated.

ELECTRIC TRAMWAYS.

State and Year.	Route-miles Open at 30th June.	Car-miles Run.	Passenger-journeys.	Gross Revenue (a).	Working Expenses (b).	Net Revenue.
	Miles.	'000.	'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
1952-53.						
New South Wales	126	18,134	210,173	5,245	(c) 7,285	-2,040
Victoria ..	174	24,341	225,213	5,463	5,259	104
Queensland ..	67	9,839	107,801	2,171	2,137	34
South Australia ..	96	8,050	97,990	1,851	2,371	- 520
Western Australia	33	2,565	30,611	588	673	- 85
Tasmania (d) ..	48	2,986	25,603	660	596	66
Total 1952-53 ..	544	65,895	647,417	15,968	18,420	-2,452
1951-52 (d) ..	560	67,923	685,724	15,121	17,109	-1,988
1950-51 (e) ..	567	71,746	749,138	13,610	14,563	- 943
1949-50 (e) ..	555	72,708	754,683	11,785	12,477	- 692
1948-49 (e) ..	538	81,530	875,922	12,239	12,211	28
1938-39 ..	606	81,361	695,476	7,949	6,069	1,880

(a) Excludes Government Grants. (b) Includes depreciation. (c) Includes estimate of administrative charges. (d) Includes particulars of Hobart and Launceston Tramway Services. (e) Includes particulars of Hobart Municipal Council Omnibus Services.

MOTOR OMNIBUS SERVICES.

State or Territory and Year.	Route-miles Open at 30th June.	Passenger-journeys.	Gross Revenue (a).	Working Expenses (b).
	Miles.	'000.	'000.	£'000.
GOVERNMENT AND MUNICIPAL.				
1952-53.				
New South Wales	466	30,928	207,611	5,392 (c) 7,341
Victoria ..	89	8,076	61,044	1,489
Queensland ..	409	5,652	32,493	905
South Australia ..	27	1,964	8,645	266
Western Australia	2,084	7,068	24,949	1,045
Tasmania (d) ..	333	1,124	1,729	191
Aust. Cap. Terr.	45	847	(e)	125
Total 1952-53 ..	4,533	55,672	336,462	9,320
1951-52 ..	4,458	54,124	333,200	8,542
1950-51(f) ..	3,994	53,548	340,314	7,572
1949-50(f) ..	3,298	52,511	325,079	6,307
1948-49(f) ..	3,268	45,839	309,096	5,433
PRIVATE. (g)				
1953-53.				
New South Wales	(e)	30,613	87,274	2,347
Victoria ..	(e)	17,548	84,096	1,839
South Australia	(e)	5,972	12,816	633
Western Australia	(e)	11,976	34,532	1,375
Total 1952-53 ..	(e)	56,109	218,688	6,395
1951-52 ..	(e)	53,600	221,997	5,968
1950-51 ..	(e)	56,189	230,184	5,098
1949-50 ..	(e)	55,561	227,812	4,581
1948-49 ..	(e)	51,676	200,937	4,033

(a) Excludes Government Grants. (b) Includes depreciation. (c) Includes estimate of administrative charges. (d) Excludes particulars of Hobart and Launceston Omnibus Services. (e) Not available. (f) Includes particulars of Hobart Municipal Council Omnibus Services. (g) Includes New South Wales, Metropolitan and New South Transport Districts only; Victoria, Metropolitan area only; from Year ended 31st December, 1949; South Australia, whole State; Western Australia, whole State.

MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS, LICENCES AND GROSS REVENUE.

State or Territory and Year.	Registrations at 30th June.				Gross Revenue.			
	Motor Cars.	Commercial Vehicles, &c.	Motor Cycles.	Total.	Drivers' Licences in Force at 30th June.	Drivers' and Riders' &c. Licences.	Miscellaneous.	Total.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	£	£	£
1952-53.								
New South Wales	364,982	203,472	45,100	613,554	430,046	7,075,145	874,068	1,709,102
Victoria ..	78,128	130,172	13,693	221,993	161,045	4,471,082	392,900	876,584
Queensland ..	132,704	110,117	24,400	267,221	240,942	3,566,440	110,831	748,830
South Australia	124,137	17,706	25,779	167,622	215,844	1,523,338	16,791	477,740
Western Australia	69,817	56,483	15,845	142,145	168,849	1,818,139	65,144	144,192
Tasmania	25,444	19,391	4,728	49,564	72,306	484,247	36,152	139,810
Northern Territory	1,580	2,991	691	5,162	5,748	8,725	7,685	11,380
Australian Capital Territory ..	4,376	2,933	539	6,947	9,842	37,206	5,267	47,800
Total 1952-53 ..	1,008,238	542,375	144,330	1,694,943	1,288,370	18,779,761	1,403,019	3,705,435
1951-52 ..	1,022,586	568,327	154,779	1,745,692	1,347,187	18,993,554	1,396,580	3,697,598
1950-51 ..	1,030,511	557,287	145,964	1,733,762	1,360,311	18,891,071	1,411,216	3,692,707
1949-50 ..	768,558	501,721	123,079	1,404,358	1,045,265	15,068,084	892,509	3,611,899
1948-49 ..	655,497	432,147	117,133	1,204,777	1,000,008	12,676,780	718,509	3,442,796
1938-39 ..	562,271	258,025	79,237	899,533	838,497	8,318,433	408,367	2,874,662

MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS.

(Number.)

Vehicle and Date.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Total.
AT 31ST MARCH, 1954.									
Motor Cars	389,147	390,122	142,125	130,735	75,549	38,179	1,765	4,039	1,172,601
Commercial Vehicles, &c.	210,999	128,108	113,990	62,090	58,476	19,142	3,193	2,135	588,111
Motor Cycles ..	43,300	31,300	22,657	35,410	14,909	5,646	758	537	142,635
Total ..	643,446	549,530	278,772	228,235	148,994	62,967	5,716	7,629	1,913,887
At 30th June, 1953 ..	613,554	539,806	208,323	203,702	141,948	60,415	3,052	6,943	1,639,949
" " " 1952 ..	600,332	535,256	255,023	192,318	132,967	55,104	4,757	6,290	1,770,184
" " " 1951 ..	564,316	444,609	240,784	173,051	118,092	49,373	4,991	5,223	1,590,521
" " " 1950 ..	478,071	401,965	212,919	153,235	104,721	48,160	3,795	4,500	1,404,236
" " " 1949 ..	419,013	380,855	125,143	100,756	60,670	26,360	1,826	2,279	899,433

REGISTRATIONS OF NEW MOTOR VEHICLES.

(Number.)

Vehicle and Period.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Total.
NINE MONTHS ENDING 31st MARCH, 1954.									
Motor Cars	31,318	30,211	11,703	9,856	6,994	3,084	99	486	89,788
Commercial Vehicles, &c.	15,748	9,011	7,641	4,232	4,185	1,582	155	190	46,434
Motor Cycles ..	2,198	1,810	1,395	1,494	946	342	43	59	8,288
Total ..	49,264	37,132	20,606	15,584	12,066	5,018	291	683	148,381
Year 1952-53 ..	53,069	48,132	23,372	17,470	13,288	5,666	(e) 346	608	156,996
1951-52 ..	51,600	46,700	27,270	24,168	17,702	7,575	..	817	159,885
1950-51 ..	45,065	41,566	24,456	20,221	17,740	7,466	..	1,040	138,755
1949-50 ..	37,316	34,001	27,382	23,480	16,132	5,762	..	662	109,740
1938-39 ..	30,254	24,770	11,024	8,117	6,017	3,060	..	327	86,404

Note. — In each of the tables above taxis and hire cars are included with motor cars. Defence Service vehicles are excluded.

Prior to 12th November, 1951, primary producers' vehicles registered in Victoria included retail cars and commercial vehicles, and were included in commercial vehicle registrations. Since that date only vehicles constructed for the carriage of goods and used by primary producers solely in connection with their business are so registered.

CIVIL AVIATION.

Particulars.	Year ended 30th June—				Six months ended 31st December—	
	1930.	1931.	1932.	1933.	1932.	1933.

REGISTRATIONS, LICENCES, ACCIDENTS, ETC.

Registered Aircraft Owners(a)	149	351	343	369	354	375
Registered Aircraft(a)	296	838	786	821	807	823
Pilot's Licences—(a)						
Private	1,096	1,065	1,444	1,677	1,599	1,832
Commercial	346	441	470	518	511	528
Airline Transport	867	948	911	942	905	905
Flight Navigators' Licences(a)	(b) 59	139	155	163	168	167
Radio Operators' Licences—(a)						
1st Class Flight Radio Telegraph Operator						
Radio Telegraph Operator	(c) 75	{ 96	98	98	95	102
Flight Engineers' Licences—(a)		1,024	1,124	1,163	1,159	1,154
Flight Engineer		39	53	68	60	69
Ground Engineers' Licences(a)	528	1,643	1,720	1,790	1,769	1,810
Aerobionics—(a)						
Government		71	184	199	196	187
Public		213	239	269	253	267
Flying Boat Bases and Allighting Areas		11	11	11	13	17
Accidents—						
Persons Killed		38	13	37	6	28
Persons Injured		16	36	22	19	21

REGULAR INTERNAL SERVICES: OPERATIONS.

		(d)				
Hours flown	No.	39,312	238,338	260,947	237,640	118,858
Miles flown	'000	5,802	40,880	41,851	39,659	19,490
Paying passengers	"	41	1,665	1,829	1,706	816
Paying passenger-miles	"	22,423	689,087	721,573	667,821	323,921
Freight—						
Actual (tons)	tons	438	59,362	57,464	57,635	25,593
Ton-miles(e)	'000	(f) 27,102	26,084	27,167	12,244	16,318
Mail—						
Actual (tons)	tons	(g) 72	5,233	2,682	3,311	1,177
Ton-miles(e)	'000	(f) 1,493	1,285	1,166	584	645

OVERSEA SERVICES: OPERATIONS.(A)

Route-miles(e)	No.	6,964	43,633	43,455	66,558	67,438
Hours flown	"	12,868	46,947	50,238	54,148	27,078
Miles flown	'000	1,736	10,500	10,664	11,565	6,251
Paying passengers	No.	5,350	87,599	95,134	97,753	48,398
Paying passenger-miles	'000	7,335	241,817	265,756	275,206	139,106
Freight—						
Actual (tons)	tons	7	2,213	2,158	1,957	1,499
Ton-miles(e)	'000	(f) 7	6,990	6,716	7,401	3,289
Mail—						
Actual (tons)	tons	(f) 345	1,141	1,164	550	782
Ton-miles(e)	'000	(f) 5,367	6,162	6,122	2,804	3,204

(e) At end of period. (b) Navigators' licences. (c) Aircraft Radio Telegraph Operators.
(d) Includes overseas services of Qantas Empire Airways Ltd., and related to subsidised services only.
(f) In terms of short tons (2,000 lb.). (f) Not available. (g) Not weight. (A) Excludes particulars for Canadian Pacific Airlines, K.L.M. and Pan-American Airways.

TELEPHONES—LINES AND INSTRUMENTS CONNECTED.

(Number.)

Particulars.	At 30th June—				At 31st March, 1934.
	1929.	1931.	1932.	1933.	
Lines connected	487,585	664,086	927,373	965,888	1,033,729
Instruments connected	661,096	1,299,406	1,800,790	1,883,702	1,432,878

BROADCASTING—LICENSEES' LICENCES.

(Number.)

In force at—	N.S.W. (a)	Victoria.	Q'land. (b)	S. Aust. (c)	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	Australia (d)
30th June, 1929	433,029	227,579	133,217	117,807	79,268	39,392	1,128,796
" " 1940(e)	706,482	531,722	261,054	212,415	139,290	66,088	1,819,022
" " 1951(f)	537,556	274,339	227,811	149,324	72,246	2,028,628	2,028,628
" " 1952(f)	753,758	566,393	288,019	244,311	159,438	77,713	2,198,600
" " 1953	711,555	570,161	270,812	208,691	141,950	68,812	1,861,044
" " 1954	712,002	571,700	282,398	212,104	145,141	70,741	1,887,645
31st March, 1954.	700,521	543,837	287,855	219,440	148,546	71,421	2,040,690

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (b) Includes Papua. (c) Includes Northern Territory. (d) Includes separate licences in respect of more than one receiver owned by one person.

ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS.

(Reported to the Police.)

State or Territory, and Period.	Total Accidents Reported (a).	Accidents Involving Casualties (b).	Persons Killed.		Persons Injured (c).	
			Number.	Per Million of Population.	Number.	Per Million of Population.

NINE MONTHS ENDED 31st MARCH, 1954.

New South Wales	21,418	8,531	533	153	83	10,099
Victoria	11,828	7,407	340	140	92	9,374
Queensland	12,915	4,705	268	163	75	5,082
South Australia	7,367	1,928	106	137	49	2,399
Western Australia(d)	6,373	2,205	121	216	84	2,831
Tasmania	2,897	783	40	126	64	4,441
Australian Capital Territory	206	112	5	160	67	135
Total nine months ended 31st March, 1954(e)	62,803	25,821	1,363	152	71	32,170
Year 1952-53(f)	75,293	31,635	1,856	213	101	39,405
" 1951-52(f)	68,110	31,144	2,064	241	116	36,376
" 1950-51(f)	57,261	28,760	1,928	232	122	35,095

(e) Total accidents causing death or injury to persons, or damage exceeding £10 to property.
(b) Accidents involving persons killed and persons injured to an extent requiring surgical or medical treatment.
(d) Prior to 1st January, 1953, details for Western Australia include for the Metropolitan area all accidents causing death or injury to persons or damage exceeding £10 to property and for the remainder of the State, only those accidents causing fatal or "near-fatal" injuries. Since that date, however, Western Australia has been on a comparable basis with the other States.
(e) Excludes Northern Territory.

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS EMPLOYED IN FACTORIES.

Period.	Australia.										Index av. 3 years ended June, 1939 = 1,000.
	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens- land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Male.	Female.	Per- sons.	Unad- justed.	
	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	
1938-39(b) ..	219.5	193.9	111.5	121.1	13.3	13.3	391.8	150.4	542.2	1,031	1,022
1948-49(b)(c) ..	358.8	274.9	78.8	75.4	35.2	21.2	629.0	212.3	840.3	1,599	1,404
1949-50(b)(c) ..	358.8	281.5	79.6	75.7	36.6	21.9	624.9	217.2	842.1	1,554	1,356
1950-51(b)(c) ..	379.0	290.4	87.2	85.8	38.6	22.5	664.3	229.4	893.7	1,701	1,408
1951-52(b)(c) ..	377.0	292.2	83.1	81.3	38.9	22.0	675.4	235.0	910.4	1,703	1,369
1952-53(b)(c) ..	311.4	279.1	82.1	77.2	36.7	21.5	652.7	197.3	850.0	1,617	1,258
1953- ..											
January ..	316.6	276.2	78.7	76.1	36.4	21.8	644.1	193.7	837.8	1,593	1,247
February ..	351.6	281.5	80.9	77.8	38.9	21.9	653.9	199.7	853.6	1,622	1,256
March ..	354.9	285.1	81.9	78.1	39.5	22.1	657.7	203.9	961.6	1,639	1,278
April ..	356.3	285.1	82.7	78.4	39.8	22.2	661.8	203.2	864.5	1,644	1,290
May ..	357.8	285.2	83.3	78.1	40.0	22.3	663.5	202.8	866.3	1,648	1,282
June ..	358.2	286.0	84.7	78.4	39.9	22.0	666.3	202.9	869.2	1,653	1,284
1953-54- ..											
July ..	358.7	286.0	85.9	78.3	39.3	21.7	667.2	204.2	871.4	1,657	1,286
August ..	359.4	287.9	86.5	79.0	39.9	21.4	669.0	205.1	874.1	1,662	1,290
September ..	362.3	299.7	86.1	79.6	39.9	21.5	671.4	207.7	879.1	1,672	1,296
October ..	361.1	292.3	85.2	80.1	40.0	21.7	675.3	211.1	886.4	1,666	1,304
November ..	370.1	298.3	84.2	81.2	41.2	21.8	679.4	215.2	892.6	1,694	1,313
December ..	370.5	294.1	82.5	82.3	40.3	22.3	678.1	213.9	892.0	1,696	1,310
January ..	371.0	296.4	81.9	83.9	40.3	23.0	680.7	215.8	906.5	1,705	1,311
February ..	372.7	299.8	83.2	84.0	40.4	23.5	685.2	218.5	903.7	1,719	1,319
March ..	374.9	303.4	84.0	84.6	40.7	23.1	688.3	222.4	910.7	1,732	1,327

(a) Divided by Index of Total Population.
monthly figures are estimates, subject to revision.

(b) Average of monthly figures.

(c) From July, 1944.

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS EMPLOYED IN RETAIL TRADE.(a)
(*000.)

Period.	Australia.(b)						Australia.(b)		
	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Male.	Female.	Persons.
	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.
1948-49(c) ..	93.9	85.7	29.9	22.6	17.1	8.3	125.5	111.2	236.7
1949-50(c) ..	95.4	86.8	30.2	23.1	17.0	7.0	126.7	112.0	238.7
1950-51(c) ..	97.9	88.3	31.1	23.8	18.2	7.3	129.3	117.8	247.1
1951-52(c) ..	95.9	88.4	31.3	23.6	18.4	7.3	128.0	117.7	245.7
1952-53(c) ..	90.1	86.1	30.0	22.4	18.1	7.2	124.2	110.4	234.6
1953- ..									
January ..	90.2	86.1	30.3	22.2	18.1	7.4	124.4	110.4	234.8
February ..	89.8	86.1	30.0	22.2	18.1	7.4	124.2	109.9	234.1
March ..	89.8	86.2	29.8	21.8	17.9	7.3	123.9	109.6	233.5
April ..	89.7	86.0	29.9	22.4	18.2	7.3	124.5	109.6	234.1
May ..	89.9	86.2	30.0	22.8	18.3	7.3	124.8	109.9	234.7
June ..	89.9	86.1	30.2	22.6	18.4	7.2	125.0	109.9	234.9
1953-54- ..									
July ..	89.8	85.4	30.2	22.4	18.4	7.3	124.3	109.8	234.1
August ..	90.1	85.4	30.1	22.4	18.3	7.3	124.5	109.7	234.2
September ..	90.1	85.8	30.2	22.6	18.4	7.2	124.8	110.2	235.0
October ..	90.0	86.4	30.4	22.7	18.7	7.3	125.5	111.5	237.0
November ..	90.2	87.7	31.0	23.5	19.0	7.6	127.8	116.7	244.5
December ..	90.1	87.7	31.4	23.4	19.7	7.9	131.7	122.4	254.1
January ..	90.2	87.5	31.3	23.3	19.3	7.9	128.4	116.8	245.2
February ..	92.7	87.3	30.3	23.0	19.0	7.8	127.1	115.6	242.6
March ..	93.0	87.7	30.2	23.1	19.0	7.8	127.3	115.7	243.0

(a) Estimates based on Pay-roll Tax returns. Figures from June, 1946, subject to revision.
(b) Includes Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory.
(c) Average of monthly figures.

UNEMPLOYMENT AND SICKNESS BENEFITS.

Average Number of Persons on Benefit at end of each week.(a)

(For particulars of benefits paid, see page 96.)

Period.	N.S.W. (b)	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A. (c)	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
1946-47 ..	1,754	1,578	4,655	200	1,095	79	9,371
1947-48 ..	954	150	2,432	51	449	33	5,019
1948-49 ..	870	83	1,190	14	124	81	1,162
1949-50 ..	10,728	128	1,578	328	287	80	13,051
1950-51 ..	935	90	320	8	60	15	1,328
1951-52 ..	785	162	1,345	17	87	12	2,391
1952-53 ..	17,270	6,114	4,185	841	844	258	29,510
Quarter ended—							
March, 1952 ..	508	61	2,396	6	53	5	3,025
June, ..	2,908	490	2,233	52	98	30	5,145
September, ..	10,775	4,842	2,442	682	738	233	19,698
December, ..	20,400	7,518	3,390	1,082	964	335	33,689
March, 1953 ..	21,766	6,546	6,322	990	967	318	36,844
June, ..	10,137	5,556	4,664	611	675	245	21,915
September, ..	12,513	5,463	2,909	610	718	421	23,049
December, ..	6,713	2,919	2,680	259	423	267	13,211
March, 1954 ..	4,808	1,745	4,697	130	322	110	11,907

SICKNESS BENEFITS.

1946-47 ..	3,033	2,137	901	842	661	381	7,975
1947-48 ..	3,399	2,224	1,052	791	691	430	8,601
1948-49 ..	3,016	1,928	873	709	690	395	7,623
1949-50 ..	2,971	1,960	997	737	497	394	7,552
1950-51 ..	2,968	1,853	958	677	475	317	7,193
1951-52 ..	2,598	1,584	835	695	461	214	6,064
1952-53 ..	2,991	1,706	1,027	670	458	227	7,084
Quarter ended—							
March, 1952 ..	2,985	1,510	804	679	482	195	6,135
June, ..	2,478	1,493	916	647	425	196	5,153
September, ..	2,567	1,602	919	690	424	222	6,114
December, ..	2,920	1,643	1,041	822	402	225	6,758
March, 1953 ..	3,218	1,723	1,034	667	428	217	7,281
June, ..	3,262	1,956	1,109	719	482	248	7,287
September, ..	3,525	2,121	1,251	735	504	269	8,105
December, ..	3,413	2,031	1,263	754	493	246	8,140
March, 1954 ..	3,100	1,834	1,212	648	464	215	7,581

(a) In addition, the average number of persons (excluding migrants) receiving Special Benefits at end of each week were—1946-47, 396; 1947-48, 484; 1948-49, 574; 1949-50, 877; 1950-51, 983; 1951-52, 987; and 1952-53, 1,372. (b) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes Northern Territory.

INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES (CAUSING STOPPAGE OF WORK)—STATES.

Period.	Disputes.	Workpeople Involved.			Working Days Lost.			Estimated Loss in Wages. £
		Directly.	Indirectly. (a)	Total.	New Disputes.	Old Disputes.	Total.	
NEW SOUTH WALES.								
Year—1953(b) ..	1,080	302,007	6,375	308,382	758,415	976	759,391	2,403,242
1953—Mar. Qtr.(b)	326	81,850	291	82,141	125,002	976	126,038	406,857
June	340	80,014	3,493	83,507	145,870	110,708	256,038	828,420
Sept.	287	105,159	1,975	107,134	241,318	32,474	273,792	850,708
Dec.	218	61,984	646	62,630	90,515	2,509	108,023	317,456
1954—Mar. (c)	282	43,202	461	43,663	76,939	6,236	83,175	276,103
VICTORIA.								
Year—1953 ..	58	65,902	2,164	68,158	57,160	..	57,160	176,330
1953—Mar. Qtr.	18	5,544	52	5,596	4,908	..	4,908	15,550
June	16	8,214	2,008	10,222	11,618	213	11,831	33,174
Sept.	13	31,140	93	31,233	24,352	..	24,352	79,070
Dec.	17	50,458	11	50,469	18,556	2,233	16,069	54,036
1954—Mar. ..	24	19,411	36	19,447	28,262	..	28,262	97,956
QUEENSLAND.								
Year—1953 ..	265	87,088	3,511	91,497	153,448	..	153,448	465,830
1953—Mar. Qtr.(b)	53	19,073	15	19,088	17,491	..	17,491	54,426
June	62	21,050	1,942	22,992	52,392	361	52,753	151,198
Sept.	67	26,773	940	27,693	39,449	2,932	42,381	133,055
Dec.	83	21,100	614	21,714	33,657	7,176	40,833	125,171
1954—Mar. ..	72	16,033	1,525	17,558	21,200	..	21,200	78,299
SOUTH AUSTRALIA.								
Year—1953(b)	24	18,502	100	18,602	24,676	30,800	55,476	200,610
1953—Mar. Qtr.(b)	8	6,021	146	6,167	4,571	30,800	35,371	136,962
June	5	2,900	..	2,900	3,255	..	3,255	9,191
Sept.	6	8,020	44	8,064	16,162	..	16,162	52,106
Dec.	5	981	..	981	668	..	668	2,141
1954—Mar. ..	1	900	..	900	514	..	514	1,900
WESTERN AUSTRALIA.								
Year—1953 ..	11	3,665	..	3,665	4,977	..	4,977	15,063
1953—Mar. Qtr.	5	3,015	..	3,015	4,431	..	4,431	14,001
June	4	474	..	474	435	..	435	1,327
Sept.	1	129	..	129	64	..	64	186
Dec.	1	87	..	87	47	..	47	140
1954—Mar. ..	2	39	..	39	39	..	39	112
TASMANIA.								
Year—1953 ..	18	5,069	6	5,075	18,441	..	18,441	69,259
1953—Mar. Qtr.	3	260	..	260	382	..	382	1,241
June	9	2,611	..	2,611	7,640	..	7,640	24,832
Sept.	3	1,746	..	1,746	1,141	..	1,141	3,681
Dec.	3	450	..	450	677	..	677	2,565
1954—Mar. (c)	6	811	6	817	1,530	5,664	7,194	39,276
AUSTRALIA (d)								
Year—1953(b)	1,459	483,800	12,246	496,046	1,019,054	31,776	1,050,830	3,337,437
1953—Mar. Qtr.(b)	408	86,363	474	86,837	157,740	31,776	169,525	628,757
June	341	115,315	7,443	122,758	221,398	11,332	232,730	749,738
Sept.	362	171,922	3,577	175,499	359,921	35,406	395,327	1,121,562
Dec.	328	108,209	1,577	109,787	157,111	11,927	169,038	537,760
1954—Mar. (c)	389	50,534	3,028	53,562	127,490	11,900	139,349	488,189

(a) Persons thrown out of work at the establishments where the stoppages occurred but not themselves parties to the dispute. (b) Includes disputes not settled at end of 1953. (c) Includes disputes not settled at end of 1953. (d) Includes Australian Capital Territory and Northern Territory.

INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES (CAUSING STOPPAGE OF WORK): INDUSTRIAL GROUPS, AUSTRALIA.

Period.	Manufacturing. (I to VI.)	Building (Group VII.)	Mining. (Group VIII.)		Transport, Land and Sea. (Group IX. to XI.)	Miscellaneous (Group XII. to XIV.)	All Groups.
			(I) Coal- mining.	(II) Other Mining.			
NUMBER.							
1939	20	3	362		0	21	416
1940	68	3	644		122	9	842
1950	118	21	953	3	159	28	1,276
1951	142	85	912	4	242	1	1,544
1952	164	27	1,219	7	202	8	1,687
1953	143	41	944	6	311	14	1,456
1953—							
March Qtr.	39	9	290		67	8	409
June	34	14	213	1	77	2	344
Sept.	44	10	250	2	71	3	382
Dec.	19	4	161	2	96	2	238
1954—							
March Qtr.	42	19	360	1	64	3	509
WORKPEOPLE INVOLVED.							
1939	8,518	57	137,792	900	2,017	3,246	152,830
1940	23,354	284	146,948	928	78,105	12,894	264,577
1950	89,864	1,786	176,734	3,858	10,611	40,070	413,153
1951	71,008	3,067	172,732	2,843	156,608	11,304	408,592
1952	137,670	1,565	183,068	4,769	145,033	21,436	505,749
1953	155,249	8,417	147,791	3,050	176,790	1,788	496,098
1953—							
March Qtr.	4,583	3,082	43,068		35,552	552	86,837
June	16,929	2,889	42,499	303	60,044	122	122,788
Sept.	66,910	1,588	53,554	519	60,921	127	127,824
Dec.	45,827	853	29,240	2,108	33,297	987	100,497
1954—							
March Qtr.	7,376	1,819	82,451	296	40,178	102	82,856
WORKING DAYS LOST.							
1939	106,709	563	291,067	3,805	35,016	19,904	450,154
1940	248,197	683	868,313	32,152	147,279	35,457	1,233,900
1950	231,684	18,219	283,543	18,204	109,195	10,043	2,082,688
1951	307,173	23,760	336,447	36,255	145,437	5,912	872,974
1952	579,169	29,079	380,740	19,743	291,109	8,655	1,463,860
1953	851,722	67,906	378,715	18,956	222,564	11,316	1,650,880
1953—							
March Qtr.	37,490	40,001	80,860		28,731	2,583	189,625
June	71,351	12,863	164,862	3,833	78,920	1,796	325,670
Sept.	194,088	10,317	84,772	4,6	71,335	392	359,597
Dec.	54,793	4,748	45,801	10,930	45,572	6,796	169,038
1954—							
March Qtr.	23,361	9,428	52,245	5,664	48,860	292	139,849
ESTIMATED LOSS IN WAGES. (£.)							
1939	83,540	424	335,033	4,728	22,114	9,877	455,736
1940	445,303	1,171	1,741,235	40,300	280,056	53,446	2,611,536
1950	618,245	37,817	616,094	86,391	2,877,558	30,443	4,166,148
1951	752,319	90,961	863,928	160,200	382,435	8,186	2,256,028
1952	1,593,902	54,034	932,680	94,743	722,124	10,567	3,439,860
1953	1,023,306	242,600	1,247,695	80,486	763,837	39,523	3,327,437
1953—							
March Qtr.	140,668	182,674	256,059		98,104	5,891	628,557
June	188,493	59,968	326,091	15,300	254,784	11,739	1,040,799
Sept.	447,856	20,611	291,638	17,762	232,056	1,640	1,124,682
Dec.	146,349	16,847	163,309	49,434	141,644	90,875	587,799
1954—							
March Qtr.	76,213	55,181	177,351	24,000	103,865	1,129	408,190

TRADE UNIONS AND MEMBERSHIP.

Year.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia.
NUMBER OF SEPARATE UNIONS.									
1939	200	149	114	117	141	79	4	15	(a) 580
1949	212	150	125	138	152	97	12	21	(a) 519
1950	222	152	128	138	146	98	14	28	(a) 540
1951	225	156	128	137	152	101	17	29	(a) 558
1952	229	159	129	139	151	98	15	31	(a) 560
1953	224	150	129	138	152	98	18	28	(a) 565

NUMBER OF MEMBERS.

1939	358,391	216,805	180,658	67,282	67,938	22,082	761	1,685	915,476
1949	606,130	382,500	259,730	127,392	97,706	40,700	2,800	4,375	1,520,914
1950	612,145	406,811	282,546	137,504	103,548	45,041	2,438	5,728	1,605,544
1951	678,318	485,407	277,037	144,067	105,507	47,113	2,764	5,776	1,800,271
1952	640,183	410,110	271,974	137,465	101,462	46,048	2,402	4,577	1,657,518
1953	605,727	424,423	267,119	140,154	101,642	45,293	2,626	5,211	1,670,558

(a) Without interstate duplication. The figures represent a number of distinct organizations and include groups of organizations in Australia. They do not represent the total number of organizations which are practically independent self-governing.

AVERAGE WEEKLY TOTAL WAGES PAID AND AVERAGE EARNINGS.

The following figures are derived from employment and wages recorded on Pay-roll Tax returns (which cover approximately 80 per cent. of total employment) and from estimates of the unrecorded balance. Pay of members of the armed forces is not included. An index of average weekly wage earnings, seasonally adjusted, is published in the *Monthly Review of Business Statistics*.

Period.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia.
AVERAGE WEEKLY TOTAL WAGES PAID. (1939=100)							
1914-49	8,138	5,540	2,503	1,844	1,120	580	10,530
1949-50	9,018	6,370	2,836	1,894	1,215	672	12,107
1950-51	11,565	7,916	3,501	2,349	1,639	817	17,647
1951-52	14,394	9,816	4,319	3,016	2,108	1,059	21,684
1952-53	15,090	10,490	4,750	3,311	2,344	1,178	23,183
1953-54	14,241	9,932	4,501	3,147	2,288	1,141	22,200
June	15,456	10,828	4,837	3,401	2,413	1,248	23,183
1953-54	15,654	11,029	4,970	3,483	2,500	1,218	23,944
September	16,753	11,779	5,295	3,690	2,672	1,296	25,144
December	15,303	10,796	4,818	3,447	2,467	1,250	23,061
March	15,303	10,796	4,818	3,447	2,467	1,250	23,061

AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS PER EMPLOYED MALE UNIT.(c)

1944-49	8.73	8.84	7.63	8.03	7.73	7.56	8.44
1949-50	9.50	9.76	8.34	8.83	8.65	8.49	9.26
1950-51	11.46	11.70	9.82	10.58	10.25	9.99	11.09
1951-52	14.24	14.20	11.95	12.13	12.40	12.59	13.65
1952-53	15.50	15.46	13.32	14.58	14.13	13.97	14.95
1953-54	14.70	14.00	12.76	13.91	13.75	13.83	14.23
June	15.84	15.86	13.55	14.86	14.31	14.52	15.28
1953-54	16.01	16.16	13.81	15.19	15.06	14.45	15.85
September	16.87	17.05	14.74	16.41	15.60	15.78	16.73
December	15.38	15.44	13.47	14.67	14.29	14.49	14.94
March	15.38	15.44	13.47	14.67	14.29	14.49	14.94

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (b) Includes Northern Territory. (c) Male units represent total male employment plus a proportion of female employment 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 shown.

NOTE.—As quarterly totals and averages are affected by seasonal influences comparisons can only be made for complete years or corresponding periods of incomplete years.

WAGES—ADULT MALES—AVERAGE NOMINAL WEEKLY AND HOURLY RATES PAYABLE AND WEEKLY HOURS OF LABOUR, 31st MARCH, 1954.(a)

Industrial Group.	Particulars.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (b)
I. Wood, Furniture, &c.	Weekly Wage	285/2	278/8	258/3	270/5	285/6	281/7	277/4
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	7/11	6/10	6/5	6/8	7/11	7/0	6/11
II. Engineering, Metal Works, &c.	Weekly Wage	279/10	271/8	264/2	267/6	286/11	289/10	274/6
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	7/0	6/9	6/7	6/8	7/2	7/0	6/10
III. Food, Drink, &c.	Weekly Wage	282/10	285/1	280/9	280/1	281/7	281/7	280/0
	Working Hours	40.00	39.38	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	39.98
	Hourly Wage	7/0	7/1	6/11	7/0	7/0	7/1	7/0
IV. Clothing, Textiles, &c.	Weekly Wage	276/8	278/8	284/4	284/4	287/7	275/7	278/10
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	6/11	6/11	7/11	7/11	7/2	6/10	6/11
V. Books, Printing, &c.	Weekly Wage	320/5	317/8	307/8	307/1	315/5	324/0	315/7
	Working Hours	40.00	39.51	40.00	40.00	39.60	40.00	39.92
	Hourly Wage	8/1	8/0	7/8	7/8	8/1	8/1	7/11
VI. Other Manufacturing	Weekly Wage	285/10	274/8	256/3	273/11	281/7	285/11	277/1
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	7/11	6/10	6/4	6/10	7/0	7/11	6/11
VII. Building	Weekly Wage	313/0	308/8	284/4	287/8	302/7	298/0	301/9
	Working Hours	39.94	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	39.98
	Hourly Wage	7/10	7/8	7/11	7/2	7/6	7/4	7/6
VIII. Mining (d)	Weekly Wage	290/2	284/4	273/2	272/1	280/7	286/11	288/6
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	38.17	40.00	39.96
	Hourly Wage	7/3	7/11	6/10	6/9	8/0	7/2	7/8
IX. Rail and Tram Services	Weekly Wage	286/0	280/0	266/7	267/4	280/1	281/7	279/0
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	7/1	7/0	6/7	6/8	7/0	7/0	6/11
X. Other Land Transport	Weekly Wage	279/11	268/8	254/3	261/8	279/8	274/4	276/8
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	7/0	6/7	6/4	6/6	7/0	6/10	6/9
XI. Shipping, &c.	Weekly Wage	307/2	311/9	307/8	306/4	309/8	310/9	308/9
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, &c.	Weekly Wage	359/11	304/3	308/1	308/7	315/4	333/1	330/3
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, &c.	Weekly Wage	271/4	264/4	245/6	250/0	260/0	265/0	263/2
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	6/8	6/7	6/1	6/2	6/7	6/6	6/7
XIV. Miscellaneous	Weekly Wage	278/1	271/1	263/10	260/5	272/6	270/10	270/8
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	6/11	6/9	6/4	6/3	6/8	6/9	6/8
All Groups (b)	Weekly Wage	296/8	283/1	276/3	278/9	292/6	296/11	288/1
All Groups except XI. and XII.(b)	Weekly Wage	285/2	277/8	263/2	260/3	286/9	281/2	278/9
	Working Hours	39.59	39.48	40.00	40.00	39.51	40.00	39.96
	Hourly Wage	7/11	6/11	6/7	6/8	7/2	7/1	6/11

(a) The figures of nominal wages and hours of labour are in course of revision to meet changes in industrial structure. The amounts shown should not be regarded as actual current averages, but as an index of changes expressed in money and hour terms. (b) Weighted averages. (c) Includes district allowances in the gold-mining industry. (d) Average rates of wage are for occupations other than Masters, Officers and Engineers in the Merchant Marine Service and include value of victualling and accommodation, where supplied. (e) Definite particulars for the computation of average working hours and hourly rates of wages are not available. (f) Includes the estimated value of board and lodging, where supplied.

WAGES—ADULT FEMALES—AVERAGE NOMINAL WEEKLY AND HOURLY RATES PAYABLE AND WEEKLY RATES OF LABOUR, 31st MARCH, 1964.(a)

Industrial Group.	Particulars.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (b)
III. Food, Drink, &c.	Weekly Wage	192/0	194/4	171/0	190/8	171/10	188/7	191/9
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	4/10 1/2	4/10 3/4	4/3 1/2	4/10 1/4	4/3 1/2	4/11 1/4	4/9 1/2
IV. Clothing, Textiles, &c.	Weekly Wage	194/9	195/11	190/8	192/4	201/0	198/3	195/8
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	4/10 3/4	4/10 11/16	4/10 1/2	4/10 3/4	5/0	4/11 1/4	4/11
I, II, V, & VI. All other Manufacturing	Weekly Wage	206/0	208/0	198/1	209/7	201/6	201/5	201/5
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	5/1 1/2	5/1 1/4	4/11 1/2	5/1 1/4	5/0 1/4	5/0 1/4	5/0 1/4
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, &c.	Weekly Wage	190/8	190/8	190/9	190/10	190/5	190/1	190/1
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	4/11 1/2	4/11 1/2	4/11 1/2	4/11 1/2	4/11 1/2	4/11 1/2	4/11 1/2
XIV. Shop Assistants, Clerks, &c.	Weekly Wage	210/3	210/6	195/5	200/0	210/10	210/10	210/10
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	5/2 1/2	5/2 1/4	4/10 3/4	5/0	5/2 1/2	5/2 1/2	5/2 1/2
All Groups (b)	Weekly Wage	198/3	201/2	195/3	199/8	199/5	198/4	198/2
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	4/11 1/4	5/0 1/4	4/10 3/4	4/11 1/2	4/10 3/4	4/11 1/4	4/11 1/4

(a) See note (a) on previous page of board and lodging where supplied.

(b) Weighted average.

(c) Includes the estimated value

WAGES—WEIGHTED AVERAGE NOMINAL WEEKLY RATES PAYABLE FOR A FULL WEEK'S WORK, AND WAGE INDEX NUMBERS.(a)

Date.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (b)
ADULT MALES—RATES OF WAGE.							
31st December, 1914 ..	58 2	64 7	53 5	54 5	62 10	48 8	55 7
" " 1919 ..	106 7	93 6	97 5	100 6	89 5	89 5	95 3
" " 1920 ..	109 6	204 5	109 10	200 6	208 8	199 7	205 6
" " 1921 ..	255 0	245 5	240 10	241 8	251 4	247 3	248 7
" " 1922 ..	284 8	274 5	267 9	274 6	284 7	276 2	278 2
" " 1923 ..	296 4	282 6	278 10	274 9	292 5	296 11	287 7
" " March, 1954 ..	296 8	283 1	276 3	278 9	292 5	296 11	288 1

ADULT MALES—INDEX NUMBERS—(BASE: 518, 518, 518, 518, 518, 518, 518, 518)							
31st December, 1914 ..	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,226	1,000	1,000
" " 1919 ..	1,285	1,235	1,042	1,236	1,062	1,245	1,206
" " 1920 ..	1,350	1,350	1,042	1,236	1,062	1,245	1,206
" " 1921 ..	4,078	3,940	3,900	3,911	4,064	3,895	4,006
" " 1922 ..	4,875	4,789	4,669	4,718	4,904	4,865	4,850
" " 1923 ..	5,555	5,354	5,254	5,354	5,553	5,388	5,428
" " 1953 ..	5,784	5,513	5,252	5,439	5,755	5,784	5,613
" " March, 1954 ..	5,788	5,554	5,384	5,439	5,705	5,794	5,622

ADULT FEMALES—RATES OF WAGE.							
31st December, 1914 ..	27 8	27 1	24 1	27 4	25 10	25 10	25 10
" " 1919 ..	53 3	51 9	55 2	49 7	55 8	50 8	52 8
" " 1920 ..	139 11	142 11	135 11	142 1	132 3	137 2	140 5
" " 1921 ..	171 1	172 10	161 7	171 4	163 2	168 7	170 4
" " 1922 ..	193 11	196 2	184 4	195 8	186 0	191 2	193 5
" " 1923 ..	198 5	199 10	188 7	199 6	190 4	196 4	197 11
" " March, 1954 ..	198 5	201 2	189 8	199 6	190 4	196 4	198 2

ADULT FEMALES—INDEX NUMBERS—(BASE: 278, 278, 278, 278, 278, 278, 278, 278)							
31st December, 1914 ..	987	1,022	996	985	1,373	950	1,006
" " 1919 ..	1,090	1,098	1,001	1,026	1,049	1,066	1,048
" " 1920 ..	1,150	1,159	1,003	1,026	1,049	1,066	1,048
" " 1921 ..	6,296	6,382	5,848	6,305	6,007	6,304	6,288
" " 1922 ..	7,138	7,220	6,784	7,202	6,846	7,087	7,120
" " 1923 ..	7,218	7,300	6,848	7,218	7,017	7,218	7,245
" " March, 1954 ..	7,302	7,404	6,979	7,342	7,007	7,256	7,294

(a) See note (a) on previous page.

(b) Weighted average for Australia.

BASIC WAGE—WEEKLY RATES FOR ADULT MALES UNDER AWARDS OF COMMONWEALTH COURT OF CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION.(a)

Date operative.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.	Six Capitals.
September, 1939 ..	s. d. 81 0	s. d. 81 0	s. d. 76 0	s. d. 78 0	s. d. 77 0	s. d. 77 0	s. d. 78 6
November, 1945 ..	90 0	93 0	93 0	93 0	94 0	94 0	96 0
December, 1946 ..	108 0	106 0	101 0	102 0	102 0	103 0	105 0
November, 1947 ..	112 0	109 0	105 0	106 0	106 0	107 0	109 0
" " 1948 ..	122 0	120 0	115 0	116 0	116 0	118 0	119 0
" " 1949 ..	132 0	130 0	125 0	126 0	126 0	128 0	129 0
" " 1950 ..	146 0	143 0	135 0	137 0	137 0	139 0	142 0
December, 1950 ..	165 0	162 0	154 0	158 0	158 0	160 0	162 0
November, 1951 ..	207 0	199 0	185 0	195 0	195 0	197 0	200 0
May, 1952 ..	223 0	212 0	207 0	211 0	214 0	214 0	216 0
August, 1952 ..	236 0	224 0	213 0	224 0	222 0	222 0	227 0
November, 1952 ..	237 0	228 0	216 0	229 0	228 0	230 0	231 0
February, 1953 ..	238 0	229 0	215 0	225 0	229 0	232 0	231 0
May, 1953 ..	241 0	231 0	217 0	229 0	231 0	232 0	234 0
August, 1953(b) ..	243 0	235 0	218 0	231 0	230 0	242 0	236 0

(a) Rates operative from beginning of first pay period commencing in months shown. (b) By decision of the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration, announced on September 1953, automatic adjustment of basic wages in accordance with variations occurring in retail price index numbers was discontinued in Commonwealth awards either then the subject of applications before the Court or subsequently reviewed by the Court in this connection.

NOTE.—Since December, 1950, the retail price index has been 75 per cent. of corresponding male rate; previously it had ranged between 5 per cent. and 75 per cent.

STATE BASIC WAGES—WEEKLY RATES.

State.	February, 1954.			May, 1954.		
	Date of Operation (a)	Males.	Females.	Date of Operation (a)	Males.	Females.
New South Wales(b)		s. d.	s. d.		s. d.	s. d.
Metropolitan and Country, excluding Broken Hill	Aug. 1953	243 0	182 0	Aug. 1953	248 0	198 0
Broken Hill	Aug. 1953	247 0	185 0	Aug. 1953	247 0	185 0
Victoria(c)	Feb. 1954	238 0	178 6	May, 1954	237 0	177 6
Queensland—						
Southern Division (Eastern District), including Brisbane	1.2.54	226 0	151 0	1.2.54(d)	225 0	151 0
Southern Division (Western District)	1.2.54	232 4	154 8	1.2.54(d)	232 4	154 8
Manly Division	1.2.54	230 6	153 0	1.2.54(d)	230 6	153 0
Northern Division (Eastern District)	1.2.54	235 0	156 0	1.2.54(d)	235 0	156 0
Northern Division (Western District)	1.2.54	242 4	159 8	1.2.54(d)	242 4	159 8
South Australia(e)	Aug. 1953	231 0	173 0	Aug. 1953	231 0	173 0
Tasmania(f)						
Metropolitan Area	27.7.53	246 6	190 3	27.7.53	246 6	190 3
South-west Land Division	27.7.53	246 0	189 11	27.7.53	246 0	189 11
Goldfield and other areas	27.7.53	249 4	192 1	27.7.53	249 4	192 1
Tasmania(g)	Aug. 1953	242 0	181 6	Aug. 1953	242 0	181 6

(a) Where dates are not quoted wages rates operate from beginning of first pay-period in month shown. (b) Automatic adjustment discontinued by Certificate of Industrial Commissioner dated 23rd October, 1953, following decision of the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration (see note (b) to previous table). (c) No basic wage declared but rates shown (Melbourne) are those commonly adopted by Wages Boards. The Labour and Industry Act requires Wages Boards to provide for the automatic adjustment of wages rate in accordance with variations in retail price index numbers. (d) By decision of Queensland Industrial Court on 11th June, 1954 in 1954 Basic Wage Inquiry, no adjustment was made to existing rates. (e) The "living wage" declared for the metropolitan area is also adopted in country areas except at Whyalla where a loading of 1s. is generally payable. The "living wage" is subject to quarterly variation according to the amount of the general automatic adjustment in the Commonwealth basic wage (now discontinued) for Adelaide. (f) Following the suspension of quarterly automatic adjustments to the Commonwealth basic wage the State Arbitration Court to date has declined to make any quarterly adjustments to the State basic wages. (g) From declared but rates shown (Hobart) are those commonly adopted by Wages Boards. From 9th December, 1953, automatic adjustment was suspended and the adjustment increases of 10s. for males and 7s. 6d. for female payable from early November, were cancelled.

Section XI.—Prices.

INTERIM RETAIL PRICE INDEX NUMBERS.(a)

(Base of each Index: Year 1922-53=100.0.)

NOTE.—The index numbers hereunder are designed to measure aggregate variations in retail prices of specified groups of items for specified cities individually. They measure variations from time to time and not differences in price level as between cities nor comparative costs of groups of items.

City.	Year ended June, 1951.	Year ended June, 1952.	Year ended June, 1953.	1952.		1953.				1954.	
				Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.	Mar. Qtr.	June Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.	Mar. Qtr.	
GROUP I.—FOOD.											
Sydney ..	85.1	89.9	100.0	100.3	99.2	99.9	100.6	102.8	101.9	102.9	
Melbourne ..	89.2	90.1	100.0	100.0	97.9	100.1	102.9	102.1	104.7	104.4	
Brisbane ..	88.7	90.7	100.0	99.4	99.8	100.3	101.2	102.8	104.0	105.5	
Adelaide ..	89.2	90.5	100.0	101.2	97.7	99.7	101.4	103.4	103.1	103.4	
Perth ..	89.3	87.0	100.0	98.4	98.4	100.1	103.1	105.1	103.8	106.8	
Hobart ..	86.4	86.8	100.0	98.1	98.4	100.6	102.9	108.4	109.0	109.6	
Six Capitals(b)	87.9	89.4	100.0	99.8	98.5	100.0	101.7	103.9	103.4	104.0	
GROUP II.—RENT (4 AND 5 ROOMED HOUSES).											
Sydney ..	86.6	87.7	100.0	93.9	98.1	102.8	105.2	106.2	107.2	108.7	
Melbourne ..	89.4	90.6	100.0	99.9	100.0	100.0	100.1	100.4	100.6	101.0	
Brisbane ..	88.7	89.7	100.0	99.4	99.8	100.3	101.5	101.8	102.5	102.9	
Adelaide ..	88.8	89.0	100.0	97.1	99.9	101.2	101.8	102.1	102.4	102.9	
Perth ..	82.1	84.4	100.0	99.6	99.7	100.1	100.5	101.6	101.9	103.1	
Hobart ..	85.1	85.1	100.0	92.9	94.0	100.1	107.0	107.5	106.8	109.3	
Six Capitals(b)	80.3	82.6	100.0	97.0	99.0	101.4	102.8	103.3	103.9	104.9	
GROUP III.—CLOTHING AND DRAPERY.											
Sydney ..	78.6	83.6	100.0	97.1	99.5	100.7	102.7	101.6	101.6	101.9	
Melbourne ..	77.6	83.4	100.0	98.5	99.5	100.3	101.8	101.2	101.3	101.5	
Brisbane ..	78.7	84.6	100.0	98.5	100.1	100.1	101.2	101.3	101.7	101.8	
Adelaide ..	77.0	83.8	100.0	98.4	99.6	100.2	101.8	102.1	102.4	102.8	
Perth ..	78.6	85.5	100.0	99.2	100.1	100.3	100.4	100.9	101.0	101.0	
Hobart ..	78.9	84.7	100.0	98.7	99.4	100.2	101.7	102.3	102.8	102.8	
Six Capitals(b)	78.1	83.8	100.0	98.0	99.6	100.4	102.0	101.5	101.6	101.8	
GROUP IV.—OTHER ITEMS.(d)											
Sydney ..	78.3	83.6	100.0	99.5	99.9	100.3	100.4	100.5	99.9	100.8	
Melbourne ..	73.6	88.7	100.0	97.7	100.4	100.9	101.0	101.3	100.4	101.2	
Brisbane ..	78.5	82.7	100.0	99.1	99.8	100.1	100.9	101.5	103.6	105.5	
Adelaide ..	78.9	80.5	100.0	99.8	99.8	100.3	100.3	100.2	98.8	99.4	
Perth ..	74.8	86.6	100.0	98.4	99.9	100.8	100.9	101.3	101.1	100.4	
Hobart ..	72.7	89.0	100.0	96.1	96.7	103.4	103.8	109.3	106.2	109.6	
Six Capitals(b)	73.3	81.3	100.0	98.7	100.0	100.6	101.7	101.0	100.5	101.2	
ALL GROUPS.											
Sydney ..	74.6	81.7	100.0	98.6	99.4	100.5	101.5	102.2	101.8	102.6	
Melbourne ..	75.2	91.0	100.0	98.8	99.2	100.3	101.8	102.8	102.2	102.4	
Brisbane ..	76.4	82.7	100.0	99.3	99.4	100.2	101.1	102.0	103.1	103.8	
Adelaide ..	74.7	80.9	100.0	98.7	98.0	100.1	101.2	102.1	101.7	102.0	
Perth ..	74.5	80.7	100.0	98.8	99.3	100.4	101.6	102.7	102.2	103.2	
Hobart ..	73.1	89.9	100.0	97.2	97.8	101.9	102.2	106.9	107.4	108.7	
Six Capitals(b)	74.9	81.4	100.0	98.8	99.3	100.4	101.6	102.4	102.2	102.7	

(a) For a description of the structure and scope of the Interim Index, and a comparison with that of the "C" Series, see Statistical Bulletin—"The Interim Retail Price Index (1952-53 Base Year)", issued 24th March, 1954. (b) Weighted average. (c) See note (b) on page 102. (d) A group of items under the following headings—Electricity, Gas, and Firewood; Household Sundries Services; Cinema Admission, Radio Licence, and Newspapers; Fares; and Tobacco and Cigarettes.

THE "C" SERIES RETAIL PRICE INDEX.

NOTE.—The retail price index numbers on this and the next three pages are related to the period 1923-27. The weighted average prices for these five years for the Six Capital Cities are made equal to 1,000.

THE "C" SERIES RETAIL PRICE INDEX NUMBERS—CAPITAL CITIES.(a).

(Base of each Group: Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27=1,000.)

NOTE.—The index numbers given in the separate parts of the table cannot be compared with each other in order to show the relative cost of housing, food and groceries, etc., since the cost in 1923-27 in each group or combination is made equal to 1,000.

City.	1938.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.	1953.	1953.				1954.
							Mar. Qtr.	June Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.	Mar. Qtr.
GROUP I. FOOD AND GROCERIES.											
Sydney	904	1,388	1,572	2,099	2,654	2,711	2,664	2,669	2,768	2,751	2,738
Melbourne	884	1,418	1,603	2,068	2,509	2,684	2,598	2,653	2,728	2,757	2,715
Brisbane	838	1,322	1,462	1,823	2,328	2,413	2,361	2,372	2,429	2,488	2,504
Adelaide	861	1,351	1,494	1,931	2,380	2,444	2,371	2,411	2,478	2,514	2,478
Perth	899	1,437	1,597	1,963	2,359	2,608	2,492	2,594	2,690	2,656	2,731
Hobart	880	1,405	1,574	1,992	2,487	2,803	2,641	2,698	2,890	2,981	2,837
Six Capitals (b)	886	1,394	1,566	2,041	2,526	2,641	2,572	2,605	2,686	2,702	2,683
GROUP II.—RENT (4 AND 5 ROOMED HOUSES.											
Sydney	1,004	1,049	1,050	1,053	1,118	1,276	1,245	1,274	1,287	1,299	1,318
Melbourne	935	976	979	980	984	988	985	986	989	990	995
Brisbane	841	880	883	934	958	981	972	974	986	993	1,004
Adelaide	868	912	929	949	1,055	1,153	1,147	1,154	1,157	1,160	1,166
Perth	872	895	901	1,065	1,185	1,205	1,194	1,199	1,210	1,215	1,230
Hobart	913	940	941	1,048	1,079	1,249	1,254	1,246	1,251	1,265	1,271
Six Capitals (b)	942	982	987	1,009	1,057	1,138	1,122	1,136	1,144	1,151	1,162
GROUP III.—CLOTHING.											
Sydney	833	2,022	2,320	2,806	3,116	3,273	3,246	3,305	3,476	3,283	3,380
Melbourne	820	1,975	2,259	2,697	3,085	3,201	3,186	3,225	3,200	3,191	3,204
Brisbane	823	1,948	2,229	2,690	3,016	3,103	3,083	3,104	3,116	3,110	3,117
Adelaide	857	1,991	2,256	2,736	3,108	3,235	3,195	3,254	3,277	3,235	3,222
Perth	823	2,033	2,289	2,759	3,123	3,185	3,172	3,192	3,195	3,181	3,187
Hobart	848	1,992	2,286	2,752	3,089	3,212	3,162	3,210	3,230	3,247	3,250
Six Capitals (b)	829	1,997	2,286	2,749	3,096	3,223	3,200	3,245	3,228	3,217	3,228
GROUP IV.—MISCELLANEOUS.											
Sydney	936	1,364	1,470	1,711	1,980	2,041	2,039	2,044	2,039	2,040	2,051
Melbourne	982	1,321	1,426	1,668	1,949	2,090	2,086	2,089	2,093	2,093	2,101
Brisbane	917	1,290	1,363	1,603	1,841	1,928	1,903	1,908	1,922	1,980	1,988
Adelaide	1,023	1,394	1,470	1,710	2,025	2,038	2,104	2,095	2,097	2,036	2,107
Perth	940	1,288	1,357	1,624	1,945	2,039	2,033	2,039	2,041	2,042	2,053
Hobart	933	1,219	1,293	1,600	1,920	2,137	2,086	2,088	2,185	2,188	2,200
Six Capitals (b)	961	1,338	1,435	1,679	1,958	2,053	2,048	2,051	2,054	2,060	2,070
TOTAL ALL GROUPS.											
Sydney	913	1,439	1,593	1,933	2,265	2,368	2,338	2,360	2,388	2,385	2,391
Melbourne	896	1,415	1,565	1,880	2,170	2,285	2,250	2,279	2,301	2,310	2,301
Brisbane	852	1,348	1,472	1,760	2,063	2,135	2,105	2,115	2,143	2,176	2,187
Adelaide	888	1,393	1,521	1,833	2,139	2,246	2,210	2,238	2,264	2,272	2,280
Perth	883	1,410	1,538	1,860	2,170	2,295	2,247	2,290	2,328	2,314	2,348
Hobart	887	1,419	1,528	1,861	2,180	2,309	2,317	2,351	2,444	2,485	2,437
Six Capitals (b)	897	1,415	1,560	1,883	2,196	2,302	2,268	2,293	2,321	2,327	2,327

(a) See note (a) on page 101.

(b) Weighted average.

(c) See note (b) on page 102.

"C" SERIES RETAIL PRICES INDEX NUMBERS—FOOD AND GROCERIES (a)

(Base: Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27=1,000.)

State and Town.	1939.			1953.			1954.			Per-centage increase from August, 1953, to March 1954.
	August.	Month.		Mar. Qtr.	Month.		Mar. Qtr.			
		Jan.	Feb.		Mar.	Jan.		Feb.	Mar.	
NEW SOUTH WALES—										
Sydney	926	2,666	2,655	2,671	2,664	2,728	2,731	2,755	2,738	197.5
Newcastle	950	2,682	2,688	2,699	2,693	2,736	2,778	2,800	2,794	192.6
Broken Hill	1,069	2,932	2,888	2,891	2,904	3,048	3,007	3,010	3,022	181.6
Goulburn	991	2,689	2,695	2,694	2,693	2,740	2,788	2,846	2,791	187.2
Bathurst	919	2,628	2,630	2,637	2,632	2,703	2,706	2,704	2,704	200.3
FIVE TOWNS (b) ..	932	2,675	2,664	2,673	2,671	2,742	2,742	2,766	2,750	196.8
VICTORIA—										
Melbourne	931	2,600	2,585	2,599	2,598	2,719	2,713	2,712	2,715	191.3
Ballarat	939	2,629	2,590	2,609	2,609	2,738	2,732	2,770	2,778	195.0
Bendigo	915	2,614	2,572	2,590	2,592	2,715	2,688	2,700	2,701	195.1
Geelong	942	2,582	2,550	2,571	2,570	2,717	2,702	2,700	2,706	186.6
Warrnambool	915	2,730	2,683	2,708	2,707	2,822	2,819	2,832	2,834	197.5
FIVE TOWNS (b) ..	932	2,602	2,584	2,608	2,598	2,722	2,715	2,714	2,717	191.2
QUEENSLAND—										
Brisbane	855	2,342	2,368	2,373	2,361	2,496	2,480	2,537	2,504	196.7
Toowoomba	812	2,381	2,386	2,429	2,396	2,510	2,503	2,538	2,516	212.3
Rockhampton .. .	803	2,395	2,425	2,437	2,419	2,575	2,566	2,633	2,591	194.8
Townsville	948	2,629	2,558	2,572	2,553	2,674	2,695	2,741	2,708	199.1
Bundaberg	948	2,608	2,435	2,446	2,430	2,549	2,541	2,582	2,557	185.0
FIVE TOWNS (b) ..	862	2,383	2,388	2,398	2,382	2,516	2,504	2,559	2,526	196.9
SOUTH AUSTRALIA—										
Adelaide	862	2,730	2,737	2,767	2,771	2,492	2,470	2,471	2,478	180.2
Radelaide	960	2,465	2,439	2,420	2,441	2,557	2,553	2,557	2,556	180.9
Port Pirie	1,001	2,506	2,482	2,471	2,486	2,594	2,576	2,581	2,584	157.8
Mount Gambler ..	980	2,444	2,456	2,454	2,451	2,615	2,607	2,613	2,612	181.0
Peterborough .. .	983	2,458	2,451	2,456	2,448	2,550	2,543	2,556	2,550	190.0
FIVE TOWNS (b) ..	891	2,397	2,367	2,374	2,379	2,500	2,479	2,481	2,487	178.5
WESTERN AUSTRALIA—										
Perth and Fremantle ..	917	2,489	2,489	2,498	2,492	2,692	2,740	2,772	2,780	191.4
Kalgoorlie and Boulder ..	1,102	2,680	2,694	2,701	2,692	2,813	2,812	2,872	2,882	190.6
Northam	981	2,544	2,550	2,568	2,557	2,714	2,741	2,775	2,787	188.0
Bunbury	975	2,837	2,833	2,843	2,844	2,748	2,748	2,758	2,762	188.1
Geraldton	958	2,508	2,514	2,516	2,513	2,616	2,616	2,616	2,616	183.9
FIVE TOWNS (b) ..	960	2,508	2,509	2,518	2,512	2,705	2,753	2,779	2,743	188.5
TASMANIA—										
Hobart	914	2,631	2,640	2,643	2,641	2,906	2,812	2,792	2,837	205.5
Launceston	942	2,585	2,567	2,566	2,568	2,843	2,740	2,722	2,786	200.8
Burnie	930	2,570	2,607	2,615	2,597	2,844	2,750	2,759	2,782	192.9
Devonport	942	2,571	2,599	2,602	2,591	2,823	2,769	2,791	2,826	195.8
Queenstown	1,018	2,646	2,700	2,700	2,682	2,961	2,926	2,891	2,926	184.0
FIVE TOWNS (b) ..	917	2,606	2,622	2,618	2,615	2,882	2,790	2,771	2,814	202.2
THIRTY TOWNS (b) ..	922	2,578	2,569	2,584	2,577	2,669	2,684	2,700	2,691	192.8
SIX CAPITALS (b) ..	918	2,573	2,564	2,580	2,572	2,680	2,677	2,693	2,683	193.4
Lithgow (N.S.W.) (c) ..	948	2,720	2,706	2,709	2,705	2,897	2,895	2,901	2,906	201.0
Warwick (Q.) (c) ..	851	2,416	2,417	2,427	2,423	2,535	2,535	2,568	2,549	201.8
Port Augusta (S.A.) (c) ..	994	2,700	2,683	2,741	2,688	2,579	2,558	2,561	2,566	157.6
Whyalla (S.A.) (c) ..	(d)	2,467	2,581	2,581	2,579	2,658	2,658	2,650	2,654	(c)
Port Augusta (S.A.) (c) ..	1,046	2,733	2,730	2,735	2,732	2,843	2,843	2,858	2,848	175.2

(a) See note (a) on page 101.

(d) Not available.

(b) Weighted average.

(c) Not included in weighted averages above.

THE "C" SERIES RETAIL PRICE INDEX.

Retail Price Index Numbers—Food, Groceries, Housing (4 and 5 Roomed Houses), Clothing and Miscellaneous Household Requirements (a)

(Base: Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27=1,000.)

State and Town.	1938.					1953.					1954.				
	1938.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.	1953.	Mar. Qtr.	June. Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.	Mar. Qtr.	June. Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.	
							1953.	1954.	1954.	1954.	1954.	1954.	1954.	1954.	
NEW SOUTH WALES—															
Sydney	911	1,459	1,698	1,833	2,285	2,368	2,338	2,390	2,368	2,385	2,391	2,391	2,391	2,391	
Newcastle	877	1,402	1,543	1,801	2,209	2,205	2,258	2,283	2,306	2,322	2,327	2,327	2,327	2,327	
Broken Hill	940	1,523	1,692	1,997	2,344	2,411	2,385	2,397	2,426	2,454	2,452	2,452	2,452	2,452	
Goulburn	893	1,428	1,578	1,821	2,232	2,302	2,280	2,292	2,328	2,328	2,318	2,318	2,318	2,318	
Bathurst	880	1,403	1,552	1,852	2,219	2,364	2,317	2,354	2,382	2,401	2,393	2,393	2,393	2,393	
FIVE TOWNS (b) ..	911	1,437	1,591	1,831	2,262	2,302	2,332	2,354	2,382	2,381	2,386	2,386	2,386	2,386	
VICTORIA—															
Melbourne	896	1,415	1,565	1,880	2,170	2,285	2,250	2,279	2,301	2,310	2,310	2,310	2,310	2,310	
Ballarat	860	1,365	1,509	1,837	2,147	2,265	2,217	2,251	2,283	2,310	2,298	2,298	2,298	2,298	
Bendigo	854	1,365	1,520	1,826	2,139	2,201	2,201	2,229	2,257	2,276	2,290	2,290	2,290	2,290	
Geelong	864	1,397	1,549	1,871	2,154	2,263	2,217	2,256	2,290	2,310	2,310	2,310	2,310	2,310	
Warrnambool .. .	922	1,398	1,558	1,866	2,205	2,323	2,286	2,320	2,352	2,352	2,352	2,352	2,352	2,352	
FIVE TOWNS (b) ..	895	1,411	1,561	1,877	2,168	2,283	2,247	2,277	2,300	2,309	2,309	2,309	2,309	2,309	
QUEENSLAND—															
Brisbane	852	1,348	1,472	1,760	2,063	2,135	2,105	2,115	2,143	2,176	2,187	2,187	2,187	2,187	
Toowoomba	843	1,360	1,486	1,778	2,083	2,160	2,126	2,149	2,172	2,193	2,204	2,204	2,204	2,204	
Rockhampton .. .	853	1,357	1,491	1,786	2,091	2,169	2,139	2,146	2,177	2,192	2,201	2,201	2,201	2,201	
Townsville	902	1,404	1,525	1,818	2,148	2,243	2,216	2,228	2,251	2,277	2,294	2,294	2,294	2,294	
Bundaberg	831	1,335	1,464	1,764	2,056	2,118	2,104	2,109	2,121	2,137	2,157	2,157	2,157	2,157	
FIVE TOWNS (b) ..	854	1,352	1,478	1,767	2,072	2,145	2,116	2,127	2,154	2,184	2,197	2,197	2,197	2,197	
SOUTH AUSTRALIA—															
Adelaide	888	1,393	1,521	1,833	2,159	2,246	2,210	2,238	2,264	2,272	2,280	2,280	2,280	2,280	
Radelaide	798	1,295	1,423	1,742	2,077	2,192	2,121	2,141	2,190	2,196	2,193	2,193	2,193	2,193	
Port Pirie	868	1,369	1,500	1,811	2,135	2,210	2,178	2,192	2,230	2,238	2,238	2,238	2,238	2,238	
Mount Gambler ..	849	1,340	1,499	1,863	2,145	2,226	2,187	2,200	2,250	2,264	2,264	2,264	2,264	2,264	
Peterborough .. .	868	1,366	1,496	1,808	2,129	2,190	2,164	2,188	2,213	2,231	2,230	2,230	2,230	2,230	
FIVE TOWNS (b) ..	888	1,368	1,516	1,829	2,155	2,241	2,206	2,232	2,259	2,268	2,275	2,275	2,275	2,275	
WESTERN AUSTRALIA—															
Perth	882	1,410	1,538	1,850	2,170	2,295	2,247	2,290	2,328	2,334	2,345	2,345	2,345	2,345	
Calgoorlie, A.C.	1,048	1,602	1,839	1,940	2,392	2,301	2,348	2,338	2,369	2,374	2,407	2,407	2,407	2,407	
Norlman	900	1,420	1,560	1,870	2,166	2,315	2,278	2,311	2,338	2,346	2,366	2,366	2,366	2,366	
Perth	915	1,424	1,575	1,885	2,209	2,358	2,321	2,354	2,381	2,394	2,414	2,414	2,414	2,414	
Geraldton	957	1,475	1,611	1,959	2,293	2,435	2,395	2,415	2,453	2,449	2,473	2,473	2,473	2,473	
FIVE TOWNS (b) ..	897	1,418	1,547	1,868	2,180	2,303	2,258	2,296	2,334	2,335	2,355	2,355	2,355	2,355	
TASMANIA—															
Hobart	887	1,419	1,526	1,861	2,180	2,299	2,271	2,361	2,444	2,465	2,483	2,483	2,483	2,483	
Launceston	872	1,389	1,493	1,837	2,154	2,259	2,270	2,311	2,409	2,434	2,456	2,456	2,456	2,456	
Burnie	863	1,367	1,494	1,810	2,130	2,226	2,226	2,279	2,352	2,369	2,392	2,392	2,392	2,392	
Devonport	848	1,351	1,481	1,793	2,093	2,205	2,194	2,240	2,322	2,376	2,393	2,393	2,393	2,393	
Queenstown	875	1,400	1,494	1,808	2,119	2,208	2,213	2,251	2,363	2,366	2,393	2,393	2,393	2,393	
FIVE TOWNS (b) ..	879	1,404	1,511	1,832	2,163	2,270	2,260	2,327	2,422	2,440	2,460	2,460	2,460	2,460	
TRENT TOWNS (b) ..															
.. .. .	864	1,133	1,556	1,860	2,193	2,299	2,264	2,289	2,318	2,352	2,328	2,328	2,328	2,328	
SIX CANTONS (b) ..															
.. .. .	597	1,145	1,560	1,883	2,190	2,302	2,268	2,298	2,321	2,337	2,357	2,357	2,357	2,357	
WARRICK (Q.C.) ..															
.. .. .	800	1,349	1,461	1,751	2,043	2,140	2,144	2,180	2,247	2,168	2,188	2,188	2,188	2,188	
Port Augusta (S.A.)	863	1,378	1,512	1,823	2,141	2,204	2,171	2,194	2,220	2,232	2,252	2,252	2,252	2,252	
Whyalla (S.A.C.) ..	(4) 879	1,165	1,515	1,848	2,108	2,274	2,209	2,259	2,316	2,319	2,338	2,338	2,338	2,338	

THE "C" SERIES RETAIL PRICE INDEX.

The "C" Series Retail Price Index and its Group Index Numbers for the Six Capital Cities combined.

(Base of each Group : Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27 = 1,000.)(a)

Period.	Food and Groceries.	Rent (4 and 5 Roomed Houses). (b)	Clothing.	Miscellaneous.	Total "C" Series Index.
Year—					
1914(c)	641	649	754	749	687
1919(c)	1,026	768	1,238	1,036	1,022
1924.. ..	969	988	1,003	1,004	987
1925.. ..	998	1,008	991	992	997
1926.. ..	1,023	1,026	986	998	1,011
1927.. ..	1,000	1,030	975	1,008	1,002
1928.. ..	985	1,066	997	1,010	1,009
1929.. ..	1,044	1,073	996	1,007	1,033
1930.. ..	941	1,047	951	999	975
1931.. ..	826	901	853	973	873
1932.. ..	796	817	804	958	830
1933.. ..	751	804	787	950	804
1934.. ..	783	810	785	944	817
1935.. ..	806	839	783	946	832
1936.. ..	825	879	792	947	850
1937.. ..	851	912	811	960	873
1938.. ..	886	942	829	961	897
1939.. ..	927	965	841	962	920
1940.. ..	939	973	956	998	957
1941.. ..	947	976	1,118	1,060	1,008
1942.. ..	1,031	976	1,308	1,112	1,091
1943.. ..	1,037	975	1,440	1,160	1,131
1944.. ..	1,026	976	1,435	1,165	1,126
1945.. ..	1,034	975	1,425	1,161	1,126
1946.. ..	1,036	976	1,505	1,167	1,145
1947.. ..	1,100	977	1,566	1,199	1,188
1948.. ..	1,256	979	1,744	1,257	1,295
1949.. ..	1,394	982	1,997	1,338	1,415
1950.. ..	1,566	987	2,286	1,435	1,560
1951.. ..	2,041	1,009	2,749	1,679	1,883
1952.. ..	2,526	1,057	3,096	1,958	2,196
1953.. ..	2,641	1,138	3,223	2,053	2,302
Quarter—					
1953—March ..	2,572	1,122	3,200	2,048	2,268
June ..	2,605	1,136	3,245	2,051	2,293
September ..	2,686	1,144	3,228	2,054	2,321
December ..	2,702	1,151	3,217	2,060	2,327
1954—March ..	2,683	1,162	3,228	2,070	2,327

(a) The index numbers given in the separate columns of the table cannot be compared with each other in order to show, for example, the relative cost of housing, and food and groceries, since the cost in each group or combination in 1923-27 is made equal to 1,000.

(b) Rent.—The rent index numbers shown in the table above and elsewhere in this publication measure the proportionate rise and fall in the average weekly rentals paid for houses of four and five rooms taking corresponding houses throughout. They are "price" indexes in the strict sense, i.e., they are designed to measure only the "price" element in rent fluctuations. Similarly, "average rents" shown in the ensuing pages are indexes of "price" changes in rentals expressed in terms of pence. They are not the average of rents actually paid by all tenants of 4 and 5-roomed houses. It would be inappropriate to include the average of rents actually paid in an index designed to measure price changes only. The average of rents actually paid is ascertained periodically by Census methods (see also page 2 of *Labour Report No. 88*). Rentals of new tenanted houses completed since the end of the war are not taken into account.

(c) November.

NEW SOUTH WALES—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES (a) RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1931: ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENT—QUARTER ENDED 31st MARCH, 1934.

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Item.	Unit.	SYDNEY.			NEWCASTLE.			BROKEN HILL.			GOULBURN.			BATHURST.		
		Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.
Groceries, etc.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread ..	2 lb.	13.30	13.30	13.30	13.50	13.50	13.50	15.50	15.50	15.50	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00
Flour, ordinary ..	"	11.88	11.71	11.71	11.80	11.80	11.80	10.40	11.20	11.20	12.18	12.00	12.00	11.50	11.50	11.50
" self-raising ..	"	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.86	19.71	19.71	18.10	18.50	18.60	21.00	21.00	21.00	20.50	20.50	20.50
" ..	lb.	56.00	56.00	56.00	57.00	57.00	57.00	59.00	59.00	59.00	57.40	57.50	57.50	57.00	57.00	57.00
Sugar ..	"	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.75	9.75	9.75	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.75	9.75	9.75
Rice ..	"	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.50	12.50	12.50	13.20	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	12.50	12.50	12.50
Maize ..	"	16.06	15.56	14.25	16.00	16.50	16.00	16.00	16.20	16.20	16.88	16.13	16.13	18.70	17.38	16.50
Java, plant ..	1½ lb.	29.45	29.45	29.45	29.71	29.71	29.71	29.40	30.00	30.00	30.50	30.50	30.50	30.70	30.60	30.60
Golden syrup ..	2 lb.	18.45	18.45	18.45	20.50	20.50	20.50	22.20	22.20	22.20	21.30	21.30	21.50	20.50	20.50	20.50
Onions, dried ..	lb.	9.00	9.00	9.00	10.25	10.25	10.25	10.68	10.68	10.68	9.83	9.83	9.83	9.25	9.38	9.38
Italian, dried ..	"	33.10	33.10	33.10	32.67	32.67	32.67	31.88	31.88	31.88	33.70	33.70	33.70	33.10	33.10	33.10
Currents ..	"	24.21	24.21	24.21	22.90	22.90	22.90	22.50	22.50	22.50	24.50	24.50	24.50	23.10	23.10	23.10
Apricots, dried ..	"	69.40	69.40	66.83	57.00	57.00	57.00	55.00	55.00	55.00	76.00	76.00	76.00	63.38	63.38	63.38
Peaches, canned ..	30 os.	38.65	38.65	38.65	39.21	39.21	39.21	38.90	38.90	38.90	38.70	38.70	38.70	39.90	39.90	39.90
Pears, canned ..	"	41.25	41.45	40.95	42.00	42.00	42.00	40.50	40.50	40.50	42.70	42.70	42.70	42.60	42.60	42.60
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	40.72	39.02	41.85	48.86	38.14	44.29	53.40	37.40	37.40	42.00	40.60	44.80	43.40	39.20	37.70
Onions, brown ..	lb.	9.15	9.20	8.90	8.64	8.64	8.57	8.50	8.38	7.90	8.75	8.88	9.38	9.25	9.50	9.50
Soap ..	"	16.67	16.67	16.67	16.57	16.57	16.57	17.87	17.87	17.87	18.00	18.00	18.00	17.67	17.67	17.67
Kerosene ..	quart	8.46	8.38	8.38	8.19	8.10	8.07	9.90	9.80	9.78	9.73	9.65	9.45	9.93	9.80	9.78
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	49.50	49.50	49.50	49.50	49.50	49.50	52.50	52.50	52.50	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
Cheese, mild ..	"	33.55	33.55	33.55	33.63	33.63	33.63	39.00	39.00	39.00	34.50	34.50	34.50	34.50	34.50	34.50
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	66.00	66.00	72.00	66.00	69.00	72.00	61.50	64.50	66.70	66.00	69.00	72.00	66.00	69.00	72.00
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	73.89	74.22	74.56	73.88	73.88	73.88	79.75	81.00	81.00	74.40	74.40	74.40	76.25	76.25	76.25
Milk, condensed ..	tin	28.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	25.40	25.40	25.40	24.40	24.40	24.40	24.50	24.50	24.50
" fresh ..	quart	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	21.50	21.50	21.50	21.50	21.50	21.50
Meat—		March Quarter.			March Quarter.			March Quarter.			March Quarter.			March Quarter.		
Beef, driest ..	lb.		40.89			43.24			44.14			40.83			38.25	
" rib ..	"		25.93			25.03			25.89			26.38			29.57	
" steak, rump ..	"		54.97			55.43			57.00			54.08			54.50	
" chuck ..	"		27.43			26.57			34.49			26.92			30.00	
" (shoulder) ..	"		19.20			21.62			21.86			19.75			22.00	
Beef (corned) dinner ..	"		33.80			37.00			39.00			33.67			36.00	
" ..	"															
" ..	"		24.43			27.48			31.71			25.25			30.00	
Mutton leg ..	"		21.67			22.11			28.57			21.17			28.50	
" forequarter ..	"		14.37			15.39			19.00			13.92			17.25	
" loin ..	"		2.83			23.67			33.43			23.33			29.25	
" chops, loin ..	"		23.87			24.72			35.86			23.83			30.00	
" ..	"		35.17			26.85			34.71			24.17			30.00	
Pork, leg ..	"		57.37			57.86			52.71			52.83			59.50	
" loin ..	"		58.63			57.48			53.00			52.88			59.50	
" chops ..	"		58.43			57.43			57.14			52.93			59.50	
House Rents(b) ..	4 and 5 Rooms		355.33			296.75			206.46			240.14			261.80	

(a) In some cases the averages shown are price relatives.

(b) Revised series comparable only with averages published since December quarter, 1936. See also note (b), page 103.

PRICES.

VICTORIA—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES (a) RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1934: ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 31st MARCH, 1934.

Item.	Unit.	MELBOURNE.			BALLARAT.			BENDIGO.			GEELONG.			WARRNAMBOOL.		
		Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.
		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Groceries, etc.—																
Bread	2 lb.	12.00	12.00	14.00	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.50	15.00	15.00	15.00
Flour, ordinary	"	11.22	11.22	11.11	11.30	11.30	11.20	11.09	11.25	11.42	11.30	11.30	11.20	11.53	11.53	11.40
" self-raising	"	17.50	17.50	17.75	18.00	18.00	18.00	17.50	17.50	17.50	17.50	17.50	17.50	18.00	18.00	18.00
Tea	lb.	68.05	65.05	65.05	56.30	56.30	56.30	55.92	55.92	55.92	54.80	54.80	54.80	57.10	57.10	57.10
Sugar	"	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.47	9.47	9.47	9.20	9.20	9.20	9.20	9.20	9.20	9.00	9.00	9.00
Rice	"	23.70	22.80	22.80	20.63	17.90	15.00	17.38	19.20	19.20	12.00	12.00	12.00	13.50	13.50	13.50
Sago	"	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50
Jan, plum	14 lb.	27.50	27.50	27.50	25.40	25.40	25.40	20.50	20.50	20.50	10.10	10.10	10.10	21.70	21.70	21.70
Gulch syrup	2 lb.	18.10	18.10	18.10	30.50	28.40	28.40	32.00	32.00	32.00	30.80	30.80	30.80	33.20	33.20	33.20
Oat, flaked	lb.	8.17	8.17	8.17	8.88	8.88	8.88	9.48	9.48	9.48	8.33	8.33	8.33	9.40	9.40	9.40
Barley, dried	"	31.59	31.59	31.59	22.75	22.75	22.75	22.20	22.20	22.20	22.75	22.75	22.75	24.75	24.75	24.75
Currents	"	22.75	22.75	22.75	33.80	33.80	33.80	33.38	33.38	33.38	32.30	32.30	32.30	35.70	35.70	35.70
Apricots, dried	30 oz.	59.92	59.92	59.92	54.00	54.00	54.00	57.50	57.50	57.50	61.50	61.50	61.50	58.30	58.30	58.30
Pears, canned	"	33.45	33.45	33.45	35.00	35.00	35.00	35.67	35.67	35.67	32.90	32.90	32.90	37.70	37.70	37.70
Potatoes	7 lb.	35.00	28.58	28.00	38.30	31.70	31.50	39.58	31.50	31.50	38.20	30.00	30.00	33.30	33.30	33.30
Onions, brown	lb.	8.00	5.40	5.50	8.90	5.80	5.90	8.67	5.92	5.92	8.40	5.80	5.80	7.75	5.90	5.90
Soap	"	16.54	16.54	16.54	16.80	16.80	16.80	16.71	16.71	16.71	16.40	16.40	16.40	17.09	17.73	17.73
Kerosene	quart	8.48	8.41	8.30	8.95	8.90	8.83	9.38	9.43	9.40	8.60	8.63	8.53	9.63	9.60	9.58
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory	lb.	49.35	49.35	49.35	49.50	49.50	49.50	48.25	48.25	48.25	49.50	49.50	49.50	49.50	49.50	49.50
Cheese, mild	"	33.30	33.30	33.30	33.50	33.50	33.50	33.50	33.50	33.50	32.63	32.63	33.13	33.00	33.00	34.00
Eggs, new laid	doz.	63.00	67.40	67.00	63.00	66.00	66.00	62.17	66.40	67.00	62.63	67.80	67.00	63.40	67.80	67.80
Baron, rashers	lb.	80.13	80.13	80.13	79.20	79.20	79.20	77.00	77.00	77.00	74.10	74.10	74.10	80.40	80.40	80.40
Milk, condensed	lb.	22.15	22.10	22.05	21.00	21.00	21.00	23.08	23.08	23.08	21.80	21.80	21.80	23.90	23.90	23.90
" fresh	quart	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.20	17.20	17.20	16.80	16.80	16.80
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin	lb.	38.33	38.33	38.33	38.00	38.00	38.00	37.52	37.52	37.52	36.00	36.00	36.00	38.67	38.67	38.67
" rib	"	33.38	33.38	33.38	33.17	33.17	33.17	32.84	32.84	32.84	31.47	31.47	31.47	33.53	33.53	33.53
" steak, ramp	"	49.37	49.37	49.37	48.67	48.67	48.67	48.57	48.57	48.57	48.47	48.47	48.47	49.80	49.80	49.80
" chuck	"	32.30	32.30	32.30	34.00	34.00	34.00	31.93	31.93	31.93	33.40	33.40	33.40	35.40	35.40	35.40
" sausages	"	19.44	19.44	19.44	20.67	20.67	20.67	20.57	20.57	20.57	19.87	19.87	19.87	21.40	21.40	21.40
Beef (corned) silver-side	"	37.67	37.67	37.67	37.75	37.75	37.75	37.50	37.50	37.50	37.47	37.47	37.47	38.50	38.50	38.50
" brisket	"	28.17	28.17	28.17	28.17	28.17	28.17	28.08	28.08	28.08	29.07	29.07	29.07	29.33	29.33	29.33
Mutton, leg	"	23.86	23.86	23.86	25.33	25.33	25.33	22.07	22.07	22.07	23.13	23.13	23.13	18.00	18.00	18.00
" forequarter	"	22.17	22.17	22.17	22.17	22.17	22.17	22.17	22.17	22.17	24.33	24.33	24.33	27.25	27.25	27.25
" loin	"	22.14	22.14	22.14	22.17	22.17	22.17	21.87	21.87	21.87	22.60	22.60	22.60	22.00	22.00	22.00
" chops, loin	"	23.43	23.43	23.43	25.11	25.11	25.11	21.80	21.80	21.80	22.60	22.60	22.60	20.00	20.00	20.00
Pork, leg	"	59.88	59.88	59.88	56.67	56.67	56.67	55.00	55.00	55.00	56.07	56.07	56.07	60.00	60.00	60.00
" loin	"	50.50	50.50	50.50	57.00	57.00	57.00	55.00	55.00	55.00	56.93	56.93	56.93	55.00	55.00	55.00
" chops	"	60.22	60.22	60.22	57.17	57.17	57.17	55.60	55.60	55.60	56.93	56.93	56.93	55.00	55.00	55.00
House Rents (b)	4 and 5 Rooms	208.23	208.23	208.23	190.89	190.89	190.89	217.07	217.07	217.07	242.08	242.08	242.08	252.00	252.00	252.00

(a) In some cases the averages shown are price relatives. (b) Revised series comparable only with averages published since December quarter, 1934. See also note (b), page 108.

QUEENSLAND—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES (a) RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1934: ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 31st MARCH, 1934.

Item.	Unit.	BESSENER.			TOOWOOMBA.			ROCKHAMPTON.			TOWNSVILLE.			BUNDABERG.		
		Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.
		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
G series, &c.—																
Bread	2 lb.	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.50	13.50	13.50	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.50	14.50	15.50	14.00	14.00	14.00
Flour, ordinary	"	9.90	9.90	9.90	9.07	9.07	9.07	10.64	11.07	11.07	10.80	10.80	10.80	10.10	10.10	10.10
" self-raising	"	17.15	17.30	17.30	18.58	18.58	18.75	20.21	20.70	20.70	20.20	20.20	20.40	19.30	19.50	19.50
Tea	lb.	55.10	55.10	55.10	55.43	55.43	55.43	56.00	56.00	56.00	56.80	56.80	57.20	56.40	56.40	56.40
Sugar	"	8.95	8.95	8.95	9.43	9.43	9.43	9.29	9.29	9.29	10.50	10.50	10.50	8.95	8.95	8.95
Rice	"	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.93	12.93	12.93	13.14	13.14	13.14	13.50	13.50	13.00	13.30	13.30	13.30
Sago	"	10.20	10.20	10.20	10.20	10.20	10.20	10.20	10.20	10.20	10.20	10.20	10.20	10.20	10.20	10.20
Jan, plum	14 lb.	27.70	27.75	27.80	28.78	28.51	28.57	30.39	30.99	30.94	32.90	32.90	33.40	30.40	30.40	30.40
Gulch syrup	2 lb.	17.35	17.35	17.35	18.86	18.86	18.93	20.33	20.43	20.50	22.10	22.10	22.10	17.60	17.60	17.60
Oat, flaked	lb.	10.38	10.38	10.38	12.81	12.83	12.83	14.00	12.00	12.00	14.25	14.25	14.25	11.00	11.00	11.00
Barley, dried	"	28.25	28.25	28.25	29.14	29.14	29.14	29.75	29.75	29.75	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.10	30.10	30.10
Currents	"	21.75	21.75	21.75	21.80	21.80	21.80	21.13	21.13	21.13	22.50	22.50	22.50	22.88	22.88	22.88
Apricots, dried	30 oz.	54.80	52.67	50.70	54.42	54.92	54.30	53.83	54.80	54.93	54.13	54.13	54.13	58.80	58.80	58.80
Pears, canned	30 oz.	35.80	38.10	39.10	36.86	37.83	37.67	37.50	37.50	37.71	39.00	39.00	39.00	37.80	37.80	37.80
Potatoes	7 lb.	38.15	37.83	37.67	30.07	30.07	30.07	39.21	38.79	38.33	38.33	38.33	38.33	43.10	43.10	43.10
Onions, brown	lb.	62.11	43.94	43.94	67.07	43.90	40.71	59.92	55.07	73.00	65.40	65.40	66.50	53.10	47.70	87.68
Soap	"	8.50	8.50	8.50	8.86	8.86	8.86	9.93	10.21	11.07	8.90	10.75	10.75	8.80	10.50	10.40
Kerosene	quart	16.44	16.44	16.44	16.87	16.87	16.87	16.83	16.83	16.83	16.84	16.84	16.84	16.47	16.47	16.47
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory	lb.	48.90	48.90	48.90	48.07	48.07	48.07	48.86	48.86	48.86	51.40	51.40	51.40	48.70	48.70	48.70
Cheese, mild	"	32.00	32.00	32.00	32.14	32.14	32.14	33.50	35.50	35.50	36.70	36.70	36.70	33.40	33.40	33.40
Eggs, new laid	doz.	60.60	60.70	60.40	65.50	65.50	65.50	64.04	64.04	64.04	66.60	66.60	66.60	63.30	63.30	63.30
Baron, rashers	lb.	65.65	66.10	67.45	63.43	63.93	64.44	64.04	64.81	65.07	66.60	66.60	67.00	64.10	64.10	64.10
Milk, condensed	lb.	23.30	23.30	23.30	23.79	23.79	23.79	24.00	24.14	24.14	24.60	24.60	24.60	24.10	24.10	24.10
" fresh	quart	15.10	15.10	15.10	15.57	15.57	15.57	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.60	17.60	17.60	15.00	15.00	15.00
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin	lb.	32.17	32.17	32.17	33.00	33.00		32.00	32.00	32.00	32.00	32.00	32.00	33.00	33.00	33.00
" rib	"	23.30	23.30	23.30	24.00	24.00		22.86	22.86	22.86	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00
" steak, rump	"	38.17	38.17	38.17	37.00	37.00		35.50	35.50	35.50	36.00	36.00	36.00	36.00	36.00	36.00
" chuck	"	22.07	22.07	22.07	22.00	22.00		22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	23.00	23.00	23.00
" sausage	"	17.27	17.27	17.27	17.00	17.00		17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00
Beef (corned) silver-side	"	28.07	28.07	28.07	28.00	28.00		29.00	29.00	29.00	27.20	27.20	27.20	28.00	28.00	28.00
" brisket	"	23.80	23.80	23.80	26.00	26.00		26.16	26.16	26.16	25.08	25.08	25.08	26.00	26.00	26.00
Mutton, leg	"	21.23	21.23	21.23	22.00	22.00		21.36	21.36	21.36	22.40	22.40	22.40	21.00	21.00	21.00
" forequarter	"	13.06	13.06	13.06	12.29	12.29		17.42	17.42	17.42	18.70	18.70	18.70	21.21	21.21	21.21
" loin	"	21.18	21.18	21.18	21.43	21.43		20.80	20.80	20.80	22.25	22.25	22.25	23.07	23.07	23.07
" chops, loin	"	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.15	22.15		22.30	22.30	22.30	23.13	23.13	23.13	22.27	22.27	22.27
" leg	"	21.15	21.15	21.15	22.14	22.14		21.96	21.96	21.96	22.40	22.40	22.40	24.10	24.10	24.10
Pork, leg	"	52.33	52.33	52.33	45.57	45.57		45.10	45.10	45.10	48.30	48.30	48.30	41.00	41.00	41.00
" loin	"	51.13	51.13	51.13	45.14	45.14		45.52	45.52	45.52	46.80	46.80	46.80	41.00	41.00	41.00
" chops	"	51.03	51.03	51.03	45.14	45.14		45.52	45.52	45.52	46.80	46.80	46.80	41.00	41.00	41.00
House Rents (b)	4 and 5	270.58			254.19			254.98			200.08			107.76		

SOUTH AUSTRALIA—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES^(a) RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTH SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1954: ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 31st MARCH, 1954.

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(a) In some cases the averages shown are price relatives. (b) Revised series comparable only with averages published since December quarter, 1936. See also note (b), page 102.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES^(a) RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1954: ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 31st MARCH, 1954.

Item.	Unit.	PERTH.			KALGOORLY.			NORTHAM.			BUNBURY.			GERALDTON.		
		Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.
		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Greengrocs, &c.—																
Bread	2 lb.	13.50	13.50	13.50	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00
Flour, ordinary	"	11.80	11.80	11.95	13.71	13.71	13.71	12.25	12.25	12.25	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.00	12.00	12.00
" self-raising	"	19.20	19.20	21.86	22.00	22.00	22.00	21.50	21.00	21.00	20.75	20.75	20.75	22.00	22.00	22.00
Tea	lb.	55.90	55.90	55.90	57.93	57.93	57.93	56.50	56.53	56.53	57.00	57.00	57.00	57.80	57.80	57.80
Sugar	"	9.00	9.00	9.00	10.08	10.08	10.08	9.50	9.50	9.50	9.71	9.71	9.71	10.00	10.00	10.00
Golden syrup	1 lb.	11.85	11.85	11.85	14.00	14.00	14.00	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.83	12.83	12.83	13.40	13.40	13.40
Sago	"	24.63	23.80	23.92	26.58	26.58	26.58	25.67	24.33	24.33	26.38	26.38	26.38	26.58	26.58	26.58
Jam, plum	1 lb.	31.75	31.80	31.55	34.93	34.93	34.93	33.19	33.19	33.19	33.88	33.88	33.88	34.70	34.70	34.80
Golden syrup	2 lb.	19.00	19.00	19.00	23.39	23.45	23.45	21.50	21.50	21.50	21.75	21.75	21.75	22.00	22.00	22.00
Alum, flaked	lb.	0.07	0.14	0.14	12.00	12.00	12.00	10.67	10.75	10.75	12.50	10.75	10.75	11.90	11.90	11.90
Bacon	"	34.42	34.78	34.73	35.00	35.08	35.08	34.50	34.50	34.50	35.00	35.00	35.00	36.00	36.00	36.00
Rat-tail, dried	"	24.45	24.45	24.45	26.57	26.57	26.57	25.00	25.00	24.88	25.13	25.13	25.13	26.00	26.00	26.00
Apples, freed	30 oz.	60.43	59.83	59.83	63.20	63.20	63.20	60.00	60.00	60.00	60.50	60.50	60.50	64.83	64.83	64.83
Peaches, canned	"	37.76	38.08	38.05	45.50	45.50	45.14	42.88	42.88	42.88	42.67	42.67	42.67	44.80	44.80	44.80
Pears, canned	"	39.30	39.25	40.15	47.14	47.14	46.93	43.25	43.63	43.63	44.33	44.33	44.33	46.00	46.00	46.00
Potatoes	7 lb.	29.00	29.00	29.00	31.00	31.00	31.00	32.25	32.50	32.50	29.25	29.50	29.75	31.00	31.00	31.00
Onions, brown	lb.	6.00	6.13	6.31	6.57	6.86	6.86	6.00	7.43	7.63	7.63	7.67	7.67	7.40	7.40	7.40
Onions, white	"	17.37	17.37	17.37	19.33	19.33	19.33	18.38	18.42	18.42	18.42	18.42	18.42	18.20	18.27	18.27
Kerosene	quart	13.20	13.12	13.05	16.55	16.50	16.50	14.52	14.80	15.03	14.66	14.62	14.66	15.78	16.40	16.35
Dairy Produce.—																
Butter	50 lb.	50.00	50.00	50.00	52.00	52.00	52.00	51.13	51.13	51.13	50.00	50.00	50.00	52.00	52.00	52.00
Cheddar	lb.	37.00	37.00	37.00	39.50	39.50	39.50	38.00	38.00	38.00	39.00	39.00	39.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
Swiss	"	64.00	64.00	64.00	68.00	68.00	68.00	64.00	64.00	64.00	64.25	64.25	64.25	64.00	64.00	64.00
Eggs, new laid	doz.	73.11	73.11	73.17	75.76	75.76	75.76	73.33	74.00	74.00	74.13	74.25	74.25	74.80	74.80	74.80
Bacon, rashers	lb.	23.40	23.35	23.40	25.50	25.50	25.50	24.50	24.50	24.50	24.50	24.50	24.50	24.50	24.50	24.50
Milk, condensed	tin	23.40	23.35	23.40	25.50	25.50	25.50	24.50	24.50	24.50	24.50	24.50	24.50	24.50	24.50	24.50
" fresh	quart	17.00	17.00	17.00	22.25	22.25	22.25	18.00	18.00	18.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
March Quarter.																
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Meat.—																
Beef, strickn	lb.	25.39			24.48			34.00			36.53			33.00		
" rib	"	29.58			25.71			28.50			23.89			32.00		
" steak, rump	"	48.80			46.24			47.33			45.00			33.00		
" chuck	"	33.00			24.00			22.00			33.20			24.00		
" sausage	"	21.51									24.25					
Beef (corned) silver-					85.05			34.33			85.30			83.00		
side	"	55.13						30.11			39.00			37.00		
" bricket	"	28.87			29.86			26.44			30.27			30.00		
" fore-quarter	"	27.67			25.57			26.44			19.37			18.00		
" loin	"	16.33			16.65			17.00			19.20			27.00		
" chops, loin	"	26.80			23.24			22.45			24.40			24.00		
" fore-leg	"	26.87			23.82			22.67			24.40			24.00		
" hind	"	26.87			24.19			22.67			24.40			24.00		
" chops	"	65.64			59.14			58.00			60.25			54.00		
" hind	"	62.64			59.14			52.00			60.25			54.00		
" chops	"	62.74			59.14			58.00			63.00			54.00		
House Rents (b.)	4 and 5				318.87			339.68			342.80			376.94		

(a) In some cases the averages shown are price relatives. (b) Revised series comparable only with averages published since December quarter, 1988. See also note (b), page 102

TASMANIA—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES^(a) RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1954: ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 31st MARCH, 1954.

Item.	Unit.	HOBART			LAUNCESTON			BURNIE			DEVONPORT			QUEENSTOWN		
		Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.
		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Groceries, &c.—																
Bread ..	2 lb.	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.50
Flour, ordinary ..	"	10.55	10.45	10.40	10.42	10.42	10.42	10.90	11.00	10.90	10.90	10.80	10.60	10.67	11.33	11.33
" self-raising ..	"	19.10	19.05	19.00	19.08	19.17	19.17	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.40	19.50	19.50	18.83	18.83	19.17
Tea ..	lb.	56.00	56.00	56.00	56.00	56.00	56.00	56.00	56.00	56.00	56.10	56.10	56.10	56.50	56.50	56.50
Sugar ..	"	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.05	9.05	9.05	9.25	9.25	9.25
Rice ..	"	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.10	12.10	12.10	12.50	12.50	12.50
Sago ..	"	22.65	22.30	21.90	21.25	20.50	20.50	21.63	20.00	20.00	22.50	21.20	21.20	27.00	24.75	24.75
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	29.10	29.00	28.50	28.33	28.33	28.00	29.00	29.00	28.90	29.20	29.20	28.80	30.33	30.33	30.00
Golden syrup ..	2 lb.	20.20	20.15	20.15	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.20	20.20	20.20	21.33	21.33	21.33
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	10.13	10.50	10.25	9.50	9.50	9.50	33.00	32.88	33.00	33.33	33.17	33.17	33.50	33.50	33.50
Raisins, seeded ..	"	32.78	32.78	32.78	32.00	32.50	32.50	25.50	25.50	25.50	25.83	25.83	25.75	25.50	25.50	25.50
Currants ..	"	25.50	25.50	25.50	24.30	24.30	24.30	33.00	32.88	33.00	33.33	33.17	33.17	33.50	33.50	33.50
Apricots, dried ..	"	59.56	59.56	59.56	60.50	60.50	60.50	68.25	58.25	58.25	60.00	60.00	60.00	67.00	67.00	67.00
Peaches, canned ..	30 oz.	39.85	39.45	38.70	38.92	38.58	38.90	38.63	38.50	38.13	39.20	39.10	38.90	40.83	41.17	40.50
Pears, canned ..	"	42.50	42.50	41.90	41.17	41.17	39.93	43.13	43.13	43.25	43.40	43.40	44.00	46.33	46.33	47.00
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	42.38	32.34	30.80	30.83	21.17	20.33	30.70	19.90	24.50	25.38	23.75	24.25	27.00	23.88	25.00
Onions, brown ..	lb.	12.14	10.43	10.13	12.00	11.00	9.25	11.00	11.00	9.63	11.50	13.00	12.00	11.00	11.00	8.00
Soap ..	"	16.67	16.67	16.67	16.67	16.67	16.67	16.67	16.67	16.67	16.74	16.74	16.74	17.00	17.00	17.00
Kerosene ..	quart	12.78	12.74	12.74	11.49	11.41	11.41	14.12	14.12	14.07	12.93	13.12	13.12	11.82	12.07	14.32
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
Cheese, mild ..	"	35.22	35.05	34.30	34.70	34.50	34.50	33.64	33.64	33.64	34.60	34.60	34.60	33.97	33.97	33.97
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	66.67	66.67	66.67	66.08	66.08	66.08	66.50	66.50	66.50	66.38	66.38	66.38	68.00	68.00	68.00
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	72.00	72.00	72.00	78.00	72.50	73.00	72.00	74.40	74.40	72.00	72.75	72.75	72.00	72.00	72.00
Milk, condensed ..	tin	23.45	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.60	23.60	23.60	24.00	24.00	24.00
" fresh ..	quart	16.00	19.00	19.00	16.00	19.00	19.00	15.50	18.50	18.50	15.50	18.50	18.50	21.00	24.00	24.00
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	42.97			42.10			41.83			41.08			43.67		
" rib ..	"	35.59			35.22			34.78			35.10			36.74		
" steak, rump ..	"	57.77			56.48			56.38			54.42			59.00		
" chuck ..	"	38.43			37.52			36.92			38.83			40.45		
" sausages ..	"	22.90			21.73			22.00			23.25			25.11		
Beef (corned) silver ..	"															
" side ..	"	41.37			40.38			40.33			40.17			42.45		
" brisket ..	"	33.73			32.57			32.88			34.00			35.00		
Mutton, leg ..	"	24.33			24.24			24.33			24.50			25.33		
" forequarter ..	"	12.89			12.91			13.00			13.28			15.33		
" loin ..	"	23.67			23.62			24.33			23.87			25.11		
" chops, loin ..	"	23.85			23.62			24.33			24.61			25.33		
" leg ..	"	24.37			24.00			24.33			24.61			25.33		
Pork, leg ..	"	59.20			53.83			54.19			50.50			54.00		
" loin ..	"	59.80			54.19			54.00			50.50			54.00		
" chops ..	"	60.00			54.19			54.00			50.75			54.00		
House Rents ^(b) ..	4 and 5 Rooms	342.67			334.50			286.97			265.09			229.85		

(a) In some cases the averages shown are price relatives.

(b) Revised series comparable only with averages published in December quarter, 1936. See also note (b), page 102.

WHOLESALE PRICE (BASIC MATERIALS AND FOODSTUFFS) INDEX.

Commodities in this index are priced in their primary or basic form wherever possible. The prices used in this index have in the main been obtained directly from manufacturers and merchants and, with a few important exceptions, from Melbourne sources. Apart from locally produced building materials and one or two minor commodities, however, the price movements may be taken as representative of variations in wholesale prices of basic materials in most Australian markets. The weighting system adopted is based on estimate of the average annual consumption of the commodities in Australia during the years 1928-29 to 1934-35 inclusive.

(Base of each Group : Average 3 years ended June, 1939 = 100.)

Period.	Basic Materials.							Food-stuffs and Tobacco.	Basic Materials and Foodstuff.		
	Metals and Coal.	Oils, Fats and Waxes.	Textiles.	Chemicals.	Rubber and Hides.	Building Materials.	Total.		Goods principally Imported. (a)	Goods principally Home Produced.	Total—All Groups.
1926-27 ..	96	99	118	99	111	99	99	97	99	98	98
1927-28 ..	101	101	100	100	97	104	102	100	102	100	101
1928-29 ..	103	100	82	101	92	97	99	103	99	102	101
1929-30 ..	105	115	104	107	116	108	109	101	111	103	105
1930-31 ..	107	137	111	124	126	128	122	107	133	106	114
1931-32 ..	117	151	118	137	135	135	133	117	153	112	124
1932-33 ..	129	167	147	142	138	163	149	128	176	121	137
1933-34 ..	131	170	150	143	140	174	153	129	182	122	140
1934-35 ..	131	168	152	143	140	175	152	131	182	123	141
1935-36 ..	130	156	152	142	140	177	149	135	178	126	141
1936-37 ..	132	145	191	140	131	180	149	138	177	129	143
1937-38 ..	146	161	283	148	126	190	166	153	192	145	159
1938-39 ..	165	173	342	159	180	198	188	175	201	173	181
1939-40 ..	214	184	434	187	143	225	214	198	223	198	205
1940-41 ..	256	196	641	242	292	268	264	232	256	242	246
1941-42 ..	343	220	577	314	298	370	321	281	288	305	300
1942-43 ..	392	234	607	350	224	404	350	294	292	331	320
1943-44 ..	320	213	698	305	347	344	315	266	282	291	286
1944-45 ..	341	223	633	307	323	332	324	261	289	290	290
1945-46 ..	344	223	616	313	321	334	322	270	286	297	294
1946-47 ..	345	223	605	313	270	365	322	266	286	294	292
1947-48 ..	363	223	500	317	264	394	331	280	295	307	304
1948-49 ..	365	223	504	327	261	394	330	289	295	313	306
1949-50 ..	370	223	517	327	262	395	332	295	297	318	312
1950-51 ..	379	230	559	327	276	433	347	294	302	325	318
1951-52 ..	379	230	570	331	296	433	349	298	302	330	321
1952-53—											
July ..	392	230	570	349	279	435	355	304	302	338	327
August ..	394	230	577	350	241	418	351	303	295	338	325
September ..	399	230	566	349	237	418	352	295	294	333	321
October ..	399	235	589	349	233	418	352	283	295	322	314
November ..	390	237	589	349	223	420	352	280	296	321	313
December ..	390	237	609	349	227	420	353	292	297	329	320
1953-54—											
January ..	389	236	608	350	223	420	353	290	297	328	318
February ..	391	235	611	355	212	391	348	290	298	328	316
March ..	393	235	640	355	212	391	350	289	290	328	317
April ..	392	235	643	348	203	391	349	299	288	336	322
May ..	391	233	661	349	203	364	344	261	279	338	321
June ..	392	233	621	348	199	364	342	305	283	338	322
1954-55—											
July ..	391	225	583	329	198	365	336	315	275	346	325
August ..	389	226	581	329	198	365	335	336	275	360	335
September ..	389	226	576	329	199	364	335	331	276	357	333
October ..	388	226	576	327	198	364	334	325	273	353	329
November ..	388	223	574	327	197	365	333	311	270	342	321
December ..	388	223	561	327	192	365	332	304	269	337	317
1955-56—											
January ..	384	223	564	327	190	365	331	(b) 305	(b) 271	(b) 336	(b) 317
February ..	384	221	(b) 546	317	187	365	(b) 328	(b) 306	(b) 269	(b) 336	(b) 316
March ..	389	222	(b) 545	317	183	365	(b) 330	(b) 305	(b) 269	(b) 336	(b) 316

(a) Represents only such imported commodities as are included in the wholesale price index. This index does not measure changes in price of imports generally. (b) Preliminary.

EXPORT PRICE INDEX NUMBERS.

These index numbers are compiled from the prices of 20 commodities which normally constitute about 80 per cent. of all exports. For some metals the prices are the average values of current realizations in various markets and hence show some irregularity. From July, 1945, to September, 1951, the export price index for wheat was the average of realizations for current shipments. From October, 1951, to July, 1952, the price used are the estimated average realizations after weighting prices of quota and non-quota wheat. Prices adopted for months since August, 1952, are derived from available information of current sales.

EXCISE TAXES.

Reference to the group indexes will show the great increases and the wide dispersion of prices of export commodities in recent years. Since wool is a predominant export (with 45.63 per cent. of the Base Aggregate of the index) fluctuations in wool prices obscure the movement affecting the other components in the index. For purposes of comparison another column (All Groups excluding Wool) has been added to the table to show this movement separately.

SIMPLE AGGREGATIVE INDEX: FIXED WEIGHTS.

In this index the prices of the commodities are multiplied by the average annual exports (production in the case of gold) during the three years 1933-34 to 1951-52.

(Base of each Section: Average 3 years ended June, 1939 = 100.)

FARM PRODUCTION PRICE INDEXES.

The annual index numbers shown in the following table relate to average "prices" of farm products realized in the principal markets of Australia. The "price" data used are average unit value for the total quantities of the relevant commodities produced or marketed in each year and the index numbers therefore measure both the effects of changes in prices (as such) and of variations in the quality, type, usage, &c., of products marketed. The index numbers for any year relate to the average values of farm products produced or marketed in that year, irrespective of the periods in which payment is received by producers.

The index numbers shown below are the Revised Series (December, 1952) in which average quantities of each product marketed in the period 1946-47 to 1950-51 have been used as fixed weights.

The preliminary index numbers for 1952-53 and 1953-54 are based mainly on the recorded or estimated movement in average values for the major farm products. They will be revised from time to time as further "price" data become available.

(Base: Average 3 years ended June, 1939 = 100.)

Year.	Agri- culture.	Pastoral.	Farmyard and Dairying.	All Farming.	Wool (Shorn and Dead).	Products other than Wool.
1936-37 ..	114	115	93	109	126	104
1937-38 ..	98	98	102	99	95	100
1938-39 ..	98	87	105	92	79	99
1945-46 ..	174	133	159	157	118	199
1946-47 ..	194	182	157	185	187	185
1947-48 ..	287	263	153	247	301	230
1948-49 ..	234	213	197	200	266	225
1949-50 ..	272	296	228	216	483	261
1950-51 ..	201	818	258	505	1,008	308
1951-52 ..	355	801	332	419	552	353
1952-53(a) ..	365	631	387	433	623	378
1953-54(a) ..	342	531	372	434	639	366

(a) Preliminary estimate.

Period.	Wool.	Wheat.	Butter.	Meat.	Sugar.	Dried Fruits.	Tallow.	Hides.	Gold.	Ex- cluding Wool.	Total All Groups.
Percentage Distribution of Base Aggregate	45.63	17.06	11.36	6.83	6.63	2.40	1.81	0.64	0.66	6.98	100.00
1936-37 ..	122	123	92	120	98	104	103	122	113	99	116
1937-38 ..	99	111	107	99	106	92	105	100	102	105	102
1938-39 ..	79	86	101	84	96	104	94	78	87	103	87
1946-47 ..	172	305	173	208	139	264	152	351	334	222	290
1947-48 ..	237	430	193	272	146	320	167	436	364	122	298
1948-49 ..	385	413	233	479	171	343	162	499	421	122	366
1949-50 ..	473	400	220	421	180	369	178	400	470	164	399
1950-51 ..	1910	492	271	698	209	419	226	356	752	196	900
1951-52 ..	564	486	291	811	258	484	302	451	486	184	695
1952-53 ..	616(r)	445	313	504	314	501	297	358	369	186(r)	505(r)
1953-54 ..	616(r)	445	313	504	314	501	297	358	369	186(r)	505(r)
1951-52 ..	470	432	291	790	273	501	300	483	398	187	451
April ..	543	432	291	711	273	501	300	483	346	184	477
May ..	543	432	291	711	273	501	300	483	346	184	477
June ..	543	432	291	711	273	501	300	483	346	184	477
1952-53 ..	(4) 566	432	313	621	294	501	300	483	340	186	486
July ..	(4) 566	432	313	613	294	501	300	483	341	187	486
August ..	561	432	313	608	294	501	300	483	379	188	477
September ..	568	432	313	501	321	501	300	483	383	185	490
October ..	568	432	313	501	321	501	300	483	383	185	490
November ..	568	432	313	501	321	501	300	483	383	185	490
December ..	568	432	313	501	321	501	300	483	383	185	490
1953-54 ..	616(r)	445	313	504	314	501	297	358	369	186(r)	505(r)
January ..	616(r)	445	313	504	314	501	297	358	369	186(r)	505(r)
February ..	616(r)	445	313	504	314	501	297	358	369	186(r)	505(r)
March ..	616(r)	445	313	504	314	501	297	358	369	186(r)	505(r)
April ..	616(r)	445	313	504	314	501	297	358	369	186(r)	505(r)
May ..	616(r)	445	313	504	314	501	297	358	369	186(r)	505(r)
June ..	616(r)	445	313	504	314	501	297	358	369	186(r)	505(r)
1953-54 ..	(4) 641	454	325	446	331	500	290	244	319	183(r)	616(r)
July ..	(4) 641	454	325	446	331	500	290	244	319	183(r)	616(r)
August ..	(4) 634	446	325	450	331	500	290	251	321	182	611
September ..	626	443	325	438	331	500	290	250	326	182	606
October ..	634	443	325	438	331	500	290	250	326	182	606
November ..	634	443	325	438	331	500	290	250	326	182	606
December ..	611	413	325	442	340	500	290	249	374	181	599
January ..	603	411	325	427	340	461	290	369	377	176	490
February ..	(4) 581	402	325	423	340	461	290	368	383	177(r)	478(r)
March ..	(4) 581	399	325	400	340	461(r)	291	355	327	175(r)	478(r)

(a) Silver, copper, tin, zinc, lead.

(b) Beef, lamb, mutton, pork.

(c) Sultanas, lemons, currants.

(d) Cattle hides, calf skins.

(e) Where Australian gold has been sold on the overseas premium markets.

(f) For All Groups (Total)—applicable from 1936-37.

(g) For All Groups (excluding Wool)—applicable from 1936-37.

(h) Nominal.

(i) Preliminary.

(j) Revised.

(k) While the index numbers above indicate satisfactorily the general trend of the market, they do not

give an adequate indication of the significance of price movements as they actually affect current sales. This

is shown more clearly by the Export Price Index (Changing Weights), published in the Monthly Review of Business

Statistics and in the compilation of which the "quantity-multiplier" is changed each month.

(Base of each Section : Weighted Average of Six Capitals, 1911 = 1,000.) (a)

(a) The index numbers given in the separate columns of the table cannot be compared with each other in order to show, for example, the relative cost of housing and food and groceries, since the cost in 1911 is each group or combination of groups is made equal to 1,000. (b) See note (b) on page 102. (c) Index of nominal weekly wage rates divided by "C" Series Retail Price Index Number. (d) Taken back from true base November, 1914 = 1,000 by means of the Food and Rent (All Housing) Index.

(2) Most of the statistics in this summary relate to the periods shown in the table headings. In those comparatively few cases where the statistics relate to other periods, this is indicated in footnotes.

(a) Year ended previous December. (b) At 31st December of previous year. (c) Number per 1,000 of mean population. (d) Decrees made absolute, including decrees for nullity of marriage. (e) Number per 1,000 live births. (f) Not available. (g) Index of nominal weekly wage rates for adult males divided by the "C" Series Retail Price Index Number. (h) Productive cane. (i) Subject to revision. (j) In terms of greasy. (k) Bone-in weight in terms of fresh meat; correct weight, bacon and ham.

Statistical Summary—Australia—continued.

NOTE.—See headnotes on page 113.

Item.	Year ended 30th June—							
	1892.	1902.	1912.	1922.	1932.	1942.	1952.	1953.
PRODUCTION—continued.								
Mining(a)(b) ..	(c)	(c)	(c)	(c)	13.5	20.9	17.9	18.6
Copper(d) ..	1,243	3,300	2,464	758	695	1,497	896	940
Gold(d) ..	..	..	..	..	150.8	289.4	212.0	228.2
Lead(d) ..	..	..	..	..	68.1	232.6	198.2	194.5
Zinc(d) ..	..	..	..	..	8.4	14.2	17.6	19.4
Black Coal ..	..	..	..	..	2.2	4.8	7.8	8.1
Brown Coal ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Forestry—	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	901	237	914	1,392
Sawn output of native timber	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
mill, sup. ft.	(e)	452	605	590	237	914	1,392	1,392
Factories—	(f)	(f)	(f)	(f)	14.5	18.0	21.7	27.0
Number of factories	..	..	..	..	312	379	337	375
Persons employed ..	..	..	..	..	28	68	56	180
Salaries and wages paid	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
£m.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Net value of production—	(g)	(g)	(g)	(g)	1.1	3.2	7.9	24.8
Chemicals, &c. ..	..	..	..	..	12.0	23.0	22.8	119.0
Industrial metals, &c. ..	..	..	..	..	7.5	19.2	6.9	21.0
Textiles, &c. ..	..	..	..	..	11.1	23.0	9.1	25.6
Clothing ..	..	..	..	..	11.8	27.2	28.7	53.2
Food, &c. ..	..	..	..	..	4.2	9.0	6.6	17.1
Paper, &c. ..	..	..	..	..	23.3	29.1	47.5	112.5
All groups ..	..	..	..	..	31.4	78.1	121.5	169.2
Value of plant & machinery	..	..	..	..	32.5	67.3	106.0	156.3
Value of land and buildings	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Net Value of production(g) ..	..	..	..	..	17.0	23.8	38.8	81.9
Agriculture ..	..	..	..	..	31.3	27.2	52.7	75.1
Pastoral ..	..	..	..	..	6.0	7.6	16.1	35.3
Dairying ..	..	..	..	..	1.9	2.0	4.0	9.0
Poultry ..	..	..	..	..	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Bee-farming ..	..	..	..	..	56.3	60.7	111.7	201.4
Total, Rural ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Trapping ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Forestry ..	..	..	..	..	4.4	2.8	4.8	9.1
Fisheries ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Mines and Quarries ..	..	..	..	..	12.1	22.0	23.3	20.0
Total, Non-rural ..	..	..	..	..	16.5	24.8	29.2	30.5
Total, Primary ..	..	..	..	..	22.8	85.5	140.9	231.9
Factories ..	..	..	..	..	23.3	29.1	47.5	112.5
Total, All Industries ..	..	..	..	..	68.1	114.6	188.4	344.4
BUILDINGS(a) —								
Permits, New Dwellings { '000	(e)	(e)	(e)	(e)	2.1	9.7	32.8	80.1
Permits, All Buildings(c) ..	..	..	..	..	1.5	9.6	80.4	77.7
..	..	..	..	..	4.6	15.5	116.4	129.5
OVERSEA TRADE—								
Imports ..	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	34	38	61	94
Exports ..	..	..	..	..	36	50	79	128
Principal Exports(f) ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wool ..	..	..	..	..	641	529	734	646
Wheat ..	..	..	..	..	258	543	1,477	2,877
Flour ..	..	..	..	..	1.9	2.8	9.6	28.6
Butter ..	..	..	..	..	0.3	0.8	1.4	5.7
Hides and Skins ..	..	..	..	..	0.2	1.4	4.0	8.0
Meat ..	..	..	..	..	0.5	2.6	4.4	8.5
Fruit(g) ..	..	..	..	..	0.2	0.5	3.0	4.8
Sugar ..	..	..	..	..	0.2	0.5	3.0	4.8
Gold ..	..	..	..	..	1.9	2.3	3.2	2.7
Silver and Lead ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ores and Concentrates, ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

(a) Year ended previous December. (b) Breaks in the continuity of the series occurred in 1931 and 1951. (c) Not available. (d) Mine production; i.e., metal content of minerals produced. (e) Less than .05. (f) Owing to variation in classification, effective comparison is impossible. (g) Gross value from 1901 to 1921-22. Prior to 1922 figures are for years ended previous December. (h) Six capital cities and suburbs. (i) Includes additions and alterations. (j) Australian produce except wool, which includes re-exports. (k) In terms of goods. (l) Excludes fruit juices. (m) Not yet available.

Statistical Summary—Australia—continued.

NOTE.—See headnotes on page 113.

Item.	Year ended 30th June—							
	1892.	1902.	1912.	1922.	1932.	1942.	1952.	1953.
OVERSEA TRADE—continued.								
Principal Imports—	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)
Vegetable foodstuffs, ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Apparel, ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Oil, &c. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Metals, &c. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Rubber, ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Paper, &c. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATION—								
Shipping—	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)
Oversea Vessels, ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Entrances and mill. tons	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clearances ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Oversea Large ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Discharged mill. tons(c)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Shipped ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Intermediate Vessels, ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Entrances and mill. tons	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clearances ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Intermediate Cargo Shipped ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
mill. tons(c)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Government Railways ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Route-miles ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Passenger-journeys ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Goods and livestock carried ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
mill. tons ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Train-miles run ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Tramways and Omnibuses ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Passenger-journeys ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Tram ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Omnibuses ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Motor vehicles on the register ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Cars ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Commercial vehicles ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Civil Aviation(e) ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Flies—miles down ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Passengers carried ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Passenger-miles ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Freight-car/1,000 short tons ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
rid ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Postal—	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)
Postal matter dealt with(f) ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
mill. articles	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Telegrams and cablegrams ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Telephones ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Instruments ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lines ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Calls—Trunk ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Local ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Broadcast Licenses ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
PUBLIC FINANCE—								
Commonwealth ..	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)
Consolidated Revenue Fund—	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Revenue ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Expenditure ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Net loan and expenditure ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Taxation collections ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
State ..	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)
Consolidated Revenue Funds ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Revenue ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Expenditure ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Net loan expenditure(d) ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Taxation collections ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Public Debt(f) ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Commonwealth ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
State ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Overseas ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
In Australia ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

(a) Year ended previous December. (b) Not available. (c) Tons weight plus tons measurement. (d) Year ended 1931-32. (e) Regular internal services. (f) Letters, notes, letter-cards and newspapers. (g) Includes packets. (h) Year 1923-24. (i) Less expenditure on works, services, &c. (j) At 30th June.

Statistical Summary—Australia—continued.

NOTE.—See headnotes on page 113.

Item.	Year ended 30th June—							
	1902.	1902.	1912.	1922.	1932.	1942.	1952.	1953.
PRIVATE FINANCE—								
Commonwealth Note Issue(c) £m.	(a)	(a)	8	54	51	163	303	329
Cheque-paying Banks—	(b)							
Advanced(d)	125	94	109	183	261	270	477	507
Deposits(d)	88	91	143	289	319	367	1,189	1,206
Bank clearings	(e)	338	662	1,702	1,581	2,828	12,160	11,476
Savings bank deposits(e)	15	31	59	154	196	274	992	947
Life Assurance(b)(f)—								
Ordinary—								
Policies	000	414	484	730	871	1,340	2,553	2,731
Sum assured	£m.	108	109	181	265	403	1,212	1,370
Industrial—								
Policies	000	236	467	973	1,550	2,780	3,843	3,873
Sum assured	£m.	5	10	30	67	127	264	270
Total—								
Policies	000	650	951	1,703	2,421	4,120	6,396	6,604
Sum assured	£m.	113	119	211	332	530	1,466	1,649
SOCIAL STATISTICS—								
Commonwealth Social Services—								
Age and Invalid Pen- f 000(g)			90	144	256	336	420	445
sions	£m.	2.2	5.4	11.1	19.3	59.8	72.4	72.4
Child Endowment, f 000(g)						498	1,205	1,247
Claims in force	£m.					11.3	45.6	53.2
Total Commonwealth (Health and Social Services)(a) £m.			2.2	6.1	11.5	30.9	137.6	165.5
War Pensions	£m.			225	274	220	585	544
Service Pensions	f 000(g)			7.0	7.4	7.5	31.8	24.4
£m.						14	17	10
State Social Services(i)—	£m.					0.6	1.8	2.2
Education(b)—								
Government Schools—								
Schools	000	6.2	7.0	8.0	9.4	10.1	9.5	7.6
Staff		12.9	14.5	17.0	26.1	33.8	32.1	36.7
Students	000	561	638	630	919	937	867	1,013
Non-Government Schools—								
Schools	000	2.0	2.5	1.9	1.7	1.8	1.9	1.9
Staff		6.0	8.3	7.8	8.8	10.0	11.4	13.3
Students		125	149	161	199	221	257	320
Universities(j)—								
Number		4	4	5	6	8	9	9
Staff(k)		(a)	(a)	249	482	703	1,410	3,082
Students	000	1.0	1.8	3.4	8.0	9.8	13.9	31.7
Public Hospitals—								
Number		(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)
Staff—Medical	000	(a)	(a)	355	404	513	566	675
Nursing		(a)	(a)	1.1	1.5	3.2	3.9	6.0
In-patients, cases treated		(a)	(a)	3.1	6.8	9.3	15.4	24.6
(m)	(m)	91	134	215	371	505	895	(m)
POLICE AND PRISONS(b)—								
Police	000	5.3	5.8	6.4	6.9	8.6	9.7	12.3
Prisons		(a)	(a)	104	91	85	70	70
Prisoners	000	(a)	4.3	3.1	2.0	4.2	3.2	4.4
PRICES(b)—								
"C" Series Retail Price Index..			1,000	1,080	1,448	1,673	3,194	3,645
Melbourne Wholesale Price Index		945	974	1,000	1,003	1,429	2,098	2,647

(a) Not available. (b) Year ended previous December. (c) At end of June. (d) Figures for 1931 are averages of weekly balances for the December quarter; the remainder are for the June quarter. All Cheque-paying Banks to 1931-32. Private Trading Banks thereafter. (e) 1931 at June. (f) Excludes war and service pensions. (g) Existing business in Australia. (h) At 30th June. (i) Excludes war and service pensions. (j) Includes Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory. (k) Excludes Australian National University. (l) Includes part-time yet available. (m) Adelaide Hospital only included in South Australia. (n) Not available.

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