

INTERCHANGE.

COMMERCE.

Customs and
Excise.

By the Commonwealth of Australia Constitution Act (section 51) the power to make laws with respect to trade and commerce with other countries and among the States was conferred on the Federal Parliament, and by the same Act (section 86) the collection and control of duties of Customs and Excise passed to the Executive Government of the Commonwealth on 1st January, 1901. The first Commonwealth Customs Tariff was introduced by Resolution on 8th October, 1901, from which date the duties came into effect. The Tariff Act was assented to on 16th September, 1902. Extensive alterations of duties were made by Tariffs brought down on 8th August, 1907, 3rd December, 1914, 25th March, 1920, 4th March, 1926, and 25th November, 1927. On the 4th April, 1930, the importation of 78 classes of goods was prohibited by proclamation. The principal items affected were of a luxury nature. The prohibition was finally removed on the 31st August, 1932. The present Tariff, which also altered previous duties materially, came into operation and was assented to on 4th December, 1933. The duties imposed by this Tariff have been varied in a major degree by the Customs Tariff Proposals operating on and from 29th November, 1935. This Tariff includes amendments arising out of the determinations of the Ottawa Conference 1932, and provides for a greater margin of preference to most goods of United Kingdom origin. There are two scales of duties at present operating—British Preferential and General, but an Intermediate Tariff was introduced by the Customs Tariff Resolution of the 28th November, 1935, in order to facilitate the negotiation of trade treaties. The first relates to goods which are the produce or manufacture of the United Kingdom, but its provisions may be applied wholly or in part to non-self-governing British colonies, most of which are now obtaining the benefits of these provisions in respect of certain specified goods. Australia also has separate Tariff agreements with the Dominions of Canada and New Zealand, and under the Customs Tariff (Papua and New Guinea Preference) Act the principal products of the Territories of Papua and New Guinea which otherwise would be dutiable are admitted into the Commonwealth free of duty. During 1934 an agreement was negotiated with Belgium under which Australia agreed to permit the importation of specified quantities of Belgian plain clear sheet glass, and Belgium agreed to waive all restrictions on the importation of Australian meat and not to enforce the threatened prohibition on Australian barley and other cereals.

The Excise Tariff in operation is the Excise Tariff 1921–1933. This Tariff relates only to ale, spirits, tobacco, cigars, cigarettes, certain

petroleum or shale products, playing cards, concentrated grape must, cigarette tubes, cigarette papers, matches, wine, saccharin, snuff and wireless valves.

The Customs Tariff (Exchange Adjustment) Act 1933-1934, varies the duty imposed by the Customs Tariff 1933 in respect of a large range of goods which fall under the British Preferential Tariff of specified items deemed to be protective in their incidence and section 5 of that Act is quoted hereunder :—

The duties of Customs (other than primage duty and duty imposed by the *Customs Tariff (Industries Preservation) Act 1921-1922* or any Act amending or in substitution for that Act) which would, but for the provisions of this Act, be payable on goods to which protective duties apply and which are admissible under the British Preferential Tariff and which are entered for home consumption on or after the fifth day of October, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-three, shall be varied in accordance with the following provisions :—

- (a) Whenever at the date of exportation of any such goods Australian currency is depreciated to the extent of not less than sixteen and two-thirds per centum in relation to the currency of the British country from which those goods are imported, a deduction from the amount of duty payable on those goods in accordance with any law of the Commonwealth for the time being in force imposing Duties of Customs (other than primage duty and duty imposed by the *Customs Tariff (Industries Preservation) Act 1921-1922* or any Act amending or in substitution for that Act) or in accordance with Customs Tariff proposals shall be made of—
 - (i) one-fourth of that amount of duty ; or
 - (ii) twelve and one-half per centum of the value for duty, whichever is the less ; and
- (b) Whenever at the date of exportation of any such goods Australian currency is depreciated to the extent of not less than eleven and one-ninth per centum and less than sixteen and two-thirds per centum in relation to the currency of the British country from which those goods are imported, a deduction from the amount of duty payable on those goods in accordance with any law of the Commonwealth for the time being in force imposing Duties of Customs (other than primage duty and duty imposed by the *Customs Tariff (Industries Preservation) Act 1921-1922* or any Act amending or in substitution for that Act) or in accordance with Customs Tariff proposals shall be made of—
 - (i) one-eighth of that amount of duty ; or
 - (ii) six and one-quarter per centum of the value for duty, whichever is the less.

Subsequent to the enactment of the *Customs Tariff (Exchange Adjustment) Act 1933*, the Tariff Board in its inquiries into the economics of Australian industries has adopted the principle of recommending protective rates of duty on the basis of—

- (a) reasonable and adequate protection necessary under existing conditions after provision is made for the protective incidence due to Australian depreciated currency; and
- (b) reasonable and adequate protection necessary where exchange conditions Australia on London are at par.

The Tariff Proposals of 6th December, 1934, gave effect, for the first time, to the new principle of imposing rates of duty as recommended by the Tariff Board as in (a) above. Automatic increases in the rates of duty are, however, provided for during any stage in which Australian currency appreciates in relation to sterling, and thereby ensures the *pro rata* maintenance of the duty level recommended by the Tariff Board on its (b) recommendation for par exchange conditions. Classes of protected goods subject to reduction in rates of duty in accordance with the provisions of the *Customs Tariff (Exchange Adjustment) Act 1933*, and now covered by the new principles embodied in the Tariff Proposals of 6th December, 1934, and subsequent resolutions have been deleted from the Schedule to the Exchange Adjustment Act.

In addition to duties imposed by the Customs Tariff 1933 *ad valorem* primage duties at rates of 4 per cent., 5 per cent., or 10 per cent. according to the type of goods and origin thereof are charged. Goods, the produce or manufacture of Norfolk Island, Fiji, Papua, New Guinea, and New Zealand are exempt from primage duty as are a number of specified goods for use by primary producers, whilst many machines, tools of trade, and raw materials not manufactured in Australia are also free of primage duty when subject to the British Preferential Tariff. Primage duties at the rates applicable to the British Preferential Tariff are accorded to Canadian goods admissible under the British Preferential Tariff, in accordance with the provisions of the *Customs Tariff (Canadian Preference) 1934*, and proclaimed commodities from the British Self-governing Colonies and Protectorates. Primage duty was originally imposed on 10th July, 1930. The rate of duty was then 2½ per cent. *ad valorem* and it was charged on all goods whether dutiable or not dutiable, excepting bullion, specie, radium, and certain other special imports.

**Recorded
Value of
Imports and
Exports.**

The recorded value of goods imported represents the amount on which duty is payable or would be payable if the duty were charged *ad valorem*. Such amount is:—

- (a) (i) the actual money price paid or to be paid for the goods by the Australian importer plus any special deduction, or
- (ii) the current domestic value of the goods, whichever is the higher; plus

- (b) all charges payable or ordinarily payable for placing the goods free on board at port of export; plus
- (c) ten per cent. of the total of (a) and (b) as representing cost of insurance, freight and other charges.

When the value of imported goods is shown on invoices in any currency other than British, the equivalent value in British currency is ascertained according to the commercial rates of exchange.

The value of goods exported, including the cost of containers, is generally taken to represent the value in Australian currency in the principal markets of the State in the ordinary commercial acceptance of the term. Special bases of valuation for exports have, however, been adopted for the commodities as mentioned hereunder :—

From 1st July, 1929, the following basis of valuation was adopted for exports of sugar and of goods on which bounty or rebate is paid on export, viz. :—

- (1) (a) *Sugar sold in Australia for export*—the value f.o.b. at which sold to overseas buyers ;
- (b) *Sugar shipped on consignment*—the f.o.b. equivalent of the ruling price of such sugar in the London markets.
- (2) *Goods on which bounty or rebate is paid on export*—the value in the principal markets of the Commonwealth less the amount of any bounty or rebate payable.

From 1st July, 1930, the following basis of valuation was adopted for exports of wool, viz. :—

- Wool sold in Australia for export*—the actual price paid plus the cost of services incurred in placing the wool on board ship.
- Wool shipped on consignment*—the f.o.b. equivalent of ruling prices.

From 1st July, 1932, the following basis of valuation was adopted for export of wheat, viz. :—

- Wheat sold in Australia for export*—the f.o.b. equivalent of the price at which the wheat was sold.
- Wheat shipped on consignment*—the f.o.b. equivalent of the current selling price overseas.

From 1st April, 1934, the following basis of valuation was adopted for exports of butter, viz. :—

- (a) *Butter sold in Australia for export*—the f.o.b. equivalent of the price at which the butter was sold.
- (b) *Butter shipped on consignment*—the f.o.b. equivalent of the current ruling price overseas.

NOTE.—The values (a) and (b) are adjusted from time to time on the basis of information received from the Australian Dairy Produce Export Board.

From 1st July, 1934, the following basis of valuation was adopted for exports of flour:—

- (a) *Flour sold in Australia for export*—the f.o.b. equivalent of the price at which the flour was sold.
 (b) *Flour shipped on consignment*—the f.o.b. equivalent of the ruling Australian prices.

**Variation in
External
Exchange
Position.**

As a result of the disturbed state of Australia's financial position the rate of exchange—the telegraphic transfer selling rate for £100, Australia on London—had reached £130 10s. on 29th January, 1931. This rate was reduced to £125 10s. on 3rd December, 1931, and has since remained constant.

The variation in the exchange rate has an important bearing on trade figures and it should be taken into account when consideration is being given to balance of trade.

**Oversea
Trade of
Victoria.**

The total values and the values per head of population of imports from and exports to overseas countries for the five years 1930-31 to 1934-35 are set forth hereunder:—

**RECORDED VALUE OF VICTORIAN OVERSEA IMPORTS
AND EXPORTS, 1930-31 TO 1934-35.**

Year.	Merchandise.	Specie and Bullion.*	Total.	Per Head of Population.
IMPORTS (BRITISH CURRENCY).				
	£	£	£	£ s. d.
1930-31	20,152,675	152,526	20,305,201	11 6 6
1931-32	15,771,949	271,868	16,043,817	8 17 10
1932-33	21,197,497	319,491	21,516,988	11 17 1
1933-34	22,190,826	213,406	22,404,232	12 5 6
1934-35	26,137,841	207,232	26,345,073	14 6 11
EXPORTS (AUSTRALIAN CURRENCY).				
1930-31	22,456,058	4,298,703	26,754,761†	14 10 10
1931-32	24,523,335	3,240,975	27,764,310†	15 7 9
1932-33	26,656,364	3,153,054	29,809,418†	16 8 6
1933-34	28,943,447	1,576,279	30,519,726†	16 14 5
1934-35	26,248,909	1,870,918	28,119,827†	15 6 3

* Includes gold, silver, and bronze specie, and gold and silver bullion.

† The estimated British Currency value was £23,860,000 in 1930-31, £21,853,000 in 1931-32, £23,805,000 in 1932-33, £24,370,000 in 1933-34, and £22,454,000 in 1934-35.

Percentage
of Common-
wealth Trade.

Victoria's portion of the value of Commonwealth trade for each of the last five years is shown in the table which follows:—

Year.	Commonwealth Trade—			Victoria's Portion of Commonwealth Trade—		
	Imports.	Exports.	Total.	Imports.	Exports.	Total.
	£	£	£	%	%	%
1930-31 (a) ..	60,959,633	104,855,852	150,285,601	33.3	25.5	29.1
1930-31 (b) ..	60,959,633	89,325,968	..	..	..	..
1931-32 (a) ..	44,712,868	108,404,318	..	..	..	..
1931-32 (b) ..	44,712,868	85,348,607	130,061,475	35.9	25.6	29.1
1932-33 (a) ..	58,013,860	120,943,317	..	..	..	..
1932-33 (b) ..	58,013,860	96,597,225	154,611,085	37.1	24.6	29.3
1933-34 (a) ..	60,712,926	123,441,299	..	..	..	..
1933-34 (b) ..	60,712,926	98,572,632	159,285,558	36.9	24.7	29.4
1934-35 (a) ..	74,119,496	112,986,037	..	..	..	..
1934-35 (b) ..	74,119,496	90,225,168	164,344,664	35.5	24.9	29.7

(a) Recorded values.

(b) British Currency values.

Recorded
Values of
Principal
Imports.

The recorded values of the principal articles imported from overseas countries into Victoria during each of the last four years are shown below in the order in which they appear in the statistical classification of 21 classes.

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES IMPORTED FROM OVERSEA COUNTRIES INTO VICTORIA DURING THE FINANCIAL YEARS 1931-32 TO 1934-35.

(British Currency Values.)

Article.	Year ended 30th June—			
	1932.	1933.	1934.	1935.
	£	£	£	£
CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN, EXCLUDING LIVING ANIMALS.				
Butter	62	..	26	..
Cheese	657	2,144	1,511	1,766
Fish—				
Preserved in Tins	116,786	120,099	159,997	191,715
All other	38,868	35,714	60,624	66,623
Meats	32,572	37,522	52,746	67,431
All other Animal Foodstuffs	4,442	3,999	5,921	3,592
Total, Class I. ..	193,387	199,478	280,825	331,127

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES IMPORTED FROM OVERSEA COUNTRIES
INTO VICTORIA, 1931-32 TO 1934-35—*continued.*

Article.	Year ended 30th June—			
	1932.	1933.	1934.	1935.
	£	£	£	£
CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN; NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND SUBSTANCES USED IN MAKING.				
Caramel, Caramel Paste, Cocoa Butter, &c.	5,662	1,435	3,846	9,743
Cocoa and Chocolate	48,407	75,417	64,654	70,588
Coffee and Chicory	33,646	34,174	34,741	28,606
Confectionery	2,951	8,955	3,706	6,140
Fruits, Dried	22,994	17,983	23,737	27,223
Fruits, Fresh	227	3,457	1,315	960
Fruits &c., Preserved	290	1,273	1,174	1,036
Grain and Pulse—				
Rice	3,082	2,733	2,728	2,784
All other	24,672	13,690	9,499	12,903
Hops	342	191	438	7,595
Mustard	14,435	20,858	11,122	16,133
Nuts, Edible	77,222	57,460	66,393	67,694
Pickles and Sauces	909	2,032	2,094	3,446
Sago and Tapioca	14,391	9,763	11,896	14,234
Spices	37,884	31,264	26,964	30,173
Tea	294,113	259,228	481,459	411,305
All other Vegetable Foodstuffs	54,296	64,027	54,995	62,937
Total, Class II.	635,523	603,940	800,761	773,500
CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS AND ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS.				
Ale, Beer, and Porter, &c. ..	7,471	9,369	9,981	10,951
Spirits (Beverages)—				
Brandy	2,064	5,512	8,745	9,757
Gin	1,217	2,086	4,697	3,254
Whisky	50,396	86,632	116,950	100,315
Other	2,023	3,041	5,928	11,033
Wine (Fermented)—				
Sparkling	72	2,974	7,154	10,583
Other	1,236	2,999	4,567	4,525
Total, Class III.	64,479	112,613	158,022	150,418
CLASS IV.—TOBACCO AND PREPARATIONS THEREOF.				
Tobacco—				
Manufactured	5,072	5,863	5,605	4,564
Unmanufactured	185,322	297,807	208,693	310,821
Cigars	2,994	2,122	3,003	6,187
Cigarettes	1,776	2,608	3,052	4,372
Snuff	297	297	139	198
Total, Class IV.	195,461	308,697	220,492	326,142

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES IMPORTED FROM OVERSEA COUNTRIES
INTO VICTORIA, 1931-32 TO 1934-35—*continued.*

Article.	Year ended 30th June—			
	1932.	1933.	1934.	1935.
	£	£	£	£
CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS ..	11,768	19,061	36,126	49,257
CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES (MAINLY UNMANUFACTURED), NOT FOODSTUFFS.				
Gelatine and Glue of all kinds	16,422	6,680	10,153	5,496
Hides and Skins—				
Hides (Calf, Cattle, and Horse)	68,250	121,900	148,259	180,039
Other	88,006	116,327	131,539	199,556
Silk, Raw	228,140	214,088	221,578	171,196
Wool	17,138	21,287	175,267	58,348
All other Animal Substances ..	25,049	42,125	25,712	33,197
Total, Class VI. ..	443,005	522,407	712,508	647,832
CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUB- STANCES AND FIBRES.				
Fibres—				
Flax and Hemp	112,125	114,363	100,719	110,958
Kapok	25,861	31,832	27,034	36,795
All other	59,441	100,775	88,665	71,579
Grass or Straw, for hatmaking, furniture, mats, &c. ..	28,621	38,497	38,587	42,611
Gums and Resins	53,776	69,922	71,024	91,001
Pulp for Papermaking ..	113,127	149,937	143,910	122,070
Seeds	94,000	79,561	91,411	117,655
Tanning Substances	18,603	21,637	18,049	20,412
All other Vegetable Substances	24,782	30,708	32,855	48,856
Total, Class VII. ..	530,336	637,232	612,254	661,937
CLASS VIII.—(a) APPAREL; (b) TEXTILES; AND (c) MANUFAC- TURED FIBRES.				
(a) Apparel.				
Apparel—				
Blouses, Skirts, Costumes, &c.	4,518	13,906	21,820	25,529
Boots and Shoes	62,788	77,070	57,513	78,949
Corsets	2,043	3,231	5,279	10,766
Furs and other Skins—Dressed	51,246	102,306	119,988	86,533
Gloves	140,488	185,920	167,034	184,159
Hats and Caps	43,740	47,066	62,341	58,941
Hosiery and Knitted Apparel (including Socks and Stock- ings)	4,043	7,573	16,362	19,313
Men's and Boys' Outer Garments	191	6,648	17,828	26,933
Shirts, Collars, Ties, &c. ..	2,078	2,639	4,447	3,164
Trimnings	175,758	165,363	142,830	161,291
Other	62,955	102,395	112,668	121,832

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES IMPORTED FROM OVERSEA COUNTRIES
INTO VICTORIA, 1931-32 TO 1934-35—*continued.*

Article.	Year ended 30th June—			
	1932.	1933.	1934.	1935.
CLASS VIII.—(a) APPAREL; (b) TEXTILES; AND (c) MANUFACTURED FIBRES—<i>continued.</i>	£	£	£	£
<i>(b) Textiles.</i>				
Piece Goods—				
Canvas and Duck	118,224	165,347	161,951	231,623
Cotton and Linen	1,642,009	2,027,870	1,779,620	1,998,779
Hessians and other Jute Piece Goods	110,155	166,878	107,470	114,794
Lace for Attire, Lace Flouno-ings, &c.	84,859	91,972	67,402	86,256
Silk	1,083,897	1,241,063	1,094,081	1,174,598
Velvets, Velveteens, Plushes, &c.	126,960	146,266	125,104	86,101
Woollen	30,193	63,805	88,111	115,786
Other	207,995	327,016	265,042	328,677
Floor Coverings—Carpets, Lino-leums, Mats, &c.	241,394	405,758	501,233	609,065
Sewing and Embroidery Silks, &c.	177,297	209,132	191,238	197,949
All other Textiles	162,167	240,978	261,437	321,435
<i>(c) Manufactured Fibres.</i>				
Bags and Sacks—				
Bran, Chaff, and Compressed Fodder	41,702	71,037	71,169	82,818
Corn and Flour	402,691	604,037	566,965	297,415
All other	95,550	94,381	103,110	89,774
Cordage and Twines (excluding Metal Cordage)	23,081	45,750	84,835	144,161
Yarns—				
Artificial Silk	254,592	261,681	314,794	310,471
Cotton	286,515	370,158	316,553	364,678
Wool	15,411	22,043	17,471	18,001
Other	12,878	12,724	17,560	23,669
Total, Class VIII.	5,667,418	7,282,013	6,863,256	7,373,433
CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS, AND WAXES.				
Oils (in bulk)—				
Kerosene, &c.	78,796	158,849	97,433	105,655
Lubricating (Mineral)	151,691	238,559	197,200	206,635
Petroleum, Crude	142,375	169,201	178,734	204,587
Petroleum and Shale Spirit	858,727	1,014,437	948,692	890,525
All other Oils, Fats, and Waxes	202,359	227,181	231,096	272,552
Total, Class IX.	1,433,948	1,808,227	1,653,155	1,679,954
CLASS X.—PAINTS AND VARNISHES	91,137	119,466	123,819	159,290
CLASS XI.—STONES AND MINERALS, INCLUDING ORES AND CONCENTRATES	67,245	116,741	117,493	150,519

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INTO VICTORIA, 1931-32 TO 1934-35—continued.

Article.	Year ended 30th June—			
	1932.	1933.	1934.	1935.
CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES, AND MACHINERY.	£	£	£	£
<i>(a) Machines and Machinery.</i>				
Electrical Machinery and Appliances—				
Cable and Wire, Covered ..	74,529	104,096	131,135	175,879
Dynamo Machines ..	60,222	45,755	67,405	77,127
Telephones and Switchboards	5,418	19,471	34,574	67,639
Wireless and Parts ..	54,766	66,182	55,301	74,873
Other	118,308	145,971	199,916	293,815
Implements and Machinery (Agricultural, Horticultural, and Viticultural)	16,805	33,492	42,269	41,176
Engines	58,457	54,061	79,930	178,542
All other Machines and Machinery	472,338	709,228	758,050	1,152,723
<i>(b) Metals and Metal Manufactures, other than Machinery.</i>				
Alloys	28,261	33,707	46,218	73,228
Gas Appliances	4,891	7,418	13,979	28,002
Iron and Steel—				
Bar, Rod, Hoop, Ingots, Blooms, &c.	70,613	124,690	138,430	162,868
Pig and Scrap	1,778	2,862	3,665	1,371
Plate and Sheet	460,628	571,642	542,740	780,348
Girders, Beams, Channels, Joists, &c.	233	331	416	10,749
Wire	28,181	40,687	36,861	70,323
Railway and Tramway Material	295	1,778	6,137	17,187
Lamps and Lampware ..	27,197	61,247	69,900	92,857
Pipes and Tubes	76,416	141,983	139,242	127,023
Plated Ware and Cutlery ..	54,176	102,040	98,295	119,502
Tools of Trade (not being Machines)	95,598	159,781	158,207	203,157
Vehicles—				
Motor Cycles, Tricycles, &c.	11,030	29,928	43,766	64,055
Bodies for Motor Cars, &c.	829	5,493	35,801	74,394
Chassis for Motor Cars, &c.	211,356	821,015	1,385,909	1,877,031
Other, and Parts	113,705	263,941	322,971	569,808
All other Metals and Metal Manufactures other than Machinery	342,992	456,137	510,415	602,364
Total, Class XII. ..	2,389,022	4,002,936	4,921,532	6,936,041

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INTO VICTORIA, 1931-32 TO 1934-35—*continued.*

Article.	Year ended 30th June—			
	1932	1933.	1934.	1935.
	£	£	£	£
CLASS XIII. — RUBBER AND LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF AND SUBSTITUTES THEREFOR.				
(a) Rubber and Rubber Manufactures.				
Rubber, Crude, Powdered or Reclaimed	139,828	162,837	236,367	331,530
Rubber Manufactures	130,965	131,973	102,487	117,477
(b) Leather and Manufactures of Leather and Substitutes therefor.				
Glace Kid	169	711	2,555	5,291
Patent and Enamelled	10	141	7	969
All other	27,377	27,682	35,958	44,590
Total, Class XIII.	298,349	323,344	377,374	499,857
CLASS XIV. — WOOD AND WICKER, RAW AND MANUFACTURED.				
Timber—				
Dressed	33,845	58,743	80,150	80,318
Undressed	208,616	342,424	321,806	443,996
Wood and Wicker Manufactures, including Furniture	74,345	83,181	63,035	94,428
Tot I, Class XIV.	316,806	484,348	464,991	618,742
CLASS XV. — EARTHENWARE, CEMENTS, CHINA, GLASS, AND STONWARE.				
Cement (Portland)	737	1,751	4,109	5,555
Earthenware, China, &c.	92,695	145,381	141,912	169,605
Glass and Glassware	78,329	146,320	174,375	228,061
All other Earthenware, Cements, China, Glass, and Stoneware	8,846	28,748	43,200	62,925
Total, Class XV.	180,607	322,200	363,596	466,146

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INTO VICTORIA, 1931-32 TO 1934-35—continued.

Article.	Year ended 30th June—			
	1932.	1933.	1934.	1935.
	£	£	£	£
CLASS XVI.—PAPER AND STATIONERY.				
(a) <i>Paper—</i>				
Cardboard and other Paper Boards	47,253	65,977	78,356	73,174
Printing	538,329	601,002	641,206	621,042
Wrapping of all Colours	64,893	74,750	57,064	68,191
Writing and Typewriting	118,177	148,363	153,714	148,120
All other	135,593	190,848	175,291	210,869
(b) <i>Stationery and Paper Manufactures—</i>				
Books (Printed), Directories, &c.	230,853	233,404	263,488	346,449
Price Lists, Catalogues, &c.	23,348	14,224	9,523	15,291
Pens and Pencils	23,903	37,501	41,940	50,308
All other.. ..	115,038	124,682	178,220	146,669
Total, Class XVI.	1,297,387	1,490,751	1,598,802	1,680,113
CLASS XVII.—JEWELLERY, TIMEPIECES, AND FANCY GOODS.				
Fancy Goods	123,968	123,119	138,266	145,766
Jewellery, including Cameos, &c.	45,851	68,876	69,977	123,449
Watches, Clocks, Chronometers, &c.	40,807	81,632	93,980	132,261
Total, Class XVII.	210,626	273,627	302,223	401,476
CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL, AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS.				
Surgical and Dental Instruments, &c.	67,092	75,250	86,330	108,317
Talking Machines — Phonographs, &c.	4,153	2,860	2,470	4,147
All other Optical and Scientific Instruments	55,181	65,323	76,267	94,808
Total, Class XVIII.	126,426	143,433	165,067	207,272
CLASS XIX.—DRUGS, CHEMICALS, AND FERTILIZERS				
Acids	30,984	48,306	39,877	49,376
Cream of Tartar	4	181	829	196
Dyes	125,476	166,383	148,304	163,876
Fertilizers	123,802	222,135	194,049	232,108
Oils, Essential (Non-spirituous)	21,001	28,074	28,313	32,110

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES IMPORTED FROM OVERSEA COUNTRIES
INTO VICTORIA, 1931-32 TO 1934-35—*continued.*

Article.	Year ended 30th June—			
	1932.	1933.	1934.	1935.
CLASS XIX.—DRUGS, CHEMICALS, AND FERTILIZERS—<i>continued.</i>	£	£	£	£
Perfumery and Toilet Prepara- tions	38,149	43,225	46,531	57,319
Proprietary Medicines	37,949	49,686	46,980	51,232
Sodium Salts	126,380	144,985	133,055	135,090
Spirits and Spirituous Prepara- tions	8,531	12,083	16,617	19,538
Sulphur (Brimstone).. .. .	114,908	221,807	143,179	133,346
All other Drugs and Chemicals	238,544	284,010	330,270	382,310
Total, Class XIX.	865,728	1,220,875	1,128,064	1,256,501
CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS.				
Arms, Ammunition, and Explo- sives	103,902	224,841	224,438	216,433
Bags, Baskets, Trunks, &c.	13,699	26,838	52,485	74,737
Brushware	23,386	45,271	60,509	87,381
Matches and Vestas.. .. .	11	340	281	557
Musical Instruments, &c.—				
Pianos and Parts	514	815	1,169	3,904
Other and Parts	10,255	12,949	16,118	21,747
Soap and Soap Substitutes	5,578	12,540	9,694	8,787
All other Articles*	595,946	882,514	925,772	1,354,738
Total, Class XX.	753,291	1,206,108	1,290,466	1,768,284
CLASS XXI.—GOLD AND SILVER; AND BRONZE SPECIE.				
Gold	269,625	316,581	211,084	204,557
Silver	2,148	2,833	2,266	2,606
Bronze—Specie	95	77	56	69
Total, Class XXI.	271,868	319,491	213,406	207,232
Grand Total	16,043,817	21,516,988	22,404,232	26,345,073

* Includes "Outside Packages" 1931-32, £410,455; 1932-33, £518,041; 1933-34, £547,191; 1934-35, £610,677.

The articles imported were mainly manufactured goods. Apparel, textiles, manufactured fibres, machinery, and manufactures of metal amounted to slightly over 52 per cent. of the total value of imports in the last five years. Excluding bullion and specie, the imports for 1934-35 exceeded those of the previous year by £3,947,015.

Recorded
Values of
Principal
Exports.

The recorded values of the principal articles exported to oversea countries from Victoria during each of the last four years are shown hereunder in 21 divisions, in accordance with the statistical classification:—

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES EXPORTED TO OVERSEA COUNTRIES FROM VICTORIA DURING THE FINANCIAL YEARS 1931-32 TO 1934-35.

(Australian Currency Values.)

Article.	Year ended 30th June—			
	1932.	1933.	1934.	1935.
CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN, EXCLUDING LIVING ANIMALS.				
Butter	4,149,713	3,865,321	2,411,892	3,428,217
Cheese	59,347	107,947	44,657	141,392
Eggs	151,729	240,777	362,736	370,194
Meats—				
Bacon and Hams	4,131	3,452	5,180	4,786
Preserved by Cold Process—				
Beef	30,028	90,352	50,466	61,981
Lamb	1,186,155	1,521,078	1,677,254	2,134,761
Mutton	190,621	197,056	290,242	297,002
Pork	38,993	54,812	57,895	100,316
Rabbits and Hares	148,058	170,899	124,196	192,104
Other	22,069	56,548	87,605	87,528
Preserved in Tins	10,402	16,646	21,966	30,611
Sausage Casings	75,567	118,907	223,124	288,580
Other	1,701	1,515	4,602	2,043
Milk and Cream	625,424	900,778	715,528	513,107
All other Animal Foodstuffs	3,410	2,926	1,922	3,340
Total, Class I.	6,697,348	7,349,014	6,079,265	7,655,962
CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN; NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND SUBSTANCES USED IN MAKING.				
Biscuits	17,484	15,161	14,681	21,201
Fruits, Dried	1,278,327	1,507,299	1,722,359	1,320,022
Fruits, Fresh	173,112	687,583	391,225	431,159
Fruits, Preserved in liquid	399,526	475,636	658,468	647,909
Grain and Pulse—				
Unprepared—				
Wheat	4,246,048	3,621,571	1,431,842	1,617,923
Other	66,702	47,769	23,912	94,696
Prepared—				
Flour (Wheaten)	1,347,302	1,564,396	1,285,088	1,734,520
Other	43,314	47,688	66,358	191,770
Jams and Fruit Jellies	10,119	5,982	5,331	9,472
Tea	4,662	13,609	14,940	11,922
All other Vegetable Foodstuffs	76,622	66,486	87,551	75,734
Total, Class II.	7,663,218	8,053,180	5,701,755	6,156,328

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES EXPORTED TO OVERSEA COUNTRIES
FROM VICTORIA, 1931-32 TO 1934-35—*continued.*

Article.	Year ended 30th June—			
	1932.	1933.	1934.	1935.
	£	£	£	£
CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS AND ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS..	87,640	70,124	104,370	93,413
CLASS IV.—TOBACCO AND PREPARATIONS THEREOF..	137,578	112,236	59,269	49,522
CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS ..	33,103	40,264	39,702	44,780
CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES (MAINLY UNMANUFACTURED). NOT FOODSTUFFS.				
Hides and Skins—				
Hides (Calf, Cattle, Horse) ..	21,113	38,190	44,444	72,035
Opossum	32,655	10,139	5,649	113,302
Rabbit and Hare	126,088	127,598	261,761	236,199
Sheep	492,081	663,732	1,325,081	887,082
Other	22,188	33,437	112,074	52,458
Wool—				
Greasy	7,017,683	7,757,782	11,942,129	7,766,452
Scoured and Washed	641,220	850,457	1,511,461	1,101,958
Tops, Noils and Waste	35,628	30,697	58,160	43,498
All other Animal Substances ..	12,364	14,841	15,998	17,524
Total, Class VI. ..	8,401,020	9,526,873	15,276,757	10,290,508
CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES ..	22,848	20,270	34,216	48,521
CLASS VIII.—(a) APPAREL; (b) TEXTILES; AND (c) MANUFACTURED FIBRES.				
Boots and Shoes	33,078	33,426	36,871	38,939
All other Apparel	65,561	80,437	66,531	49,684
All other Textiles, including Bags, Cordage, Yarns, &c. ..	76,135	91,052	148,681	174,315
Total, Class VIII. ..	174,774	204,915	252,083	262,938
CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS, AND WAXES.				
Tallow—Unrefined	220,611	240,262	131,024	263,558
All other Oils, Fats, and Waxes	35,895	44,741	34,372	42,132
Total, Class IX. ..	256,506	285,003	165,396	305,690
CLASS X.—PAINTS AND VARNISHES	5,065	5,268	8,426	8,316
CLASS XI.—STONES AND MINERALS, INCLUDING ORES AND CONCENTRATES	10,855	7,409	12,906	43,772

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES EXPORTED TO OVERSEA COUNTRIES
FROM VICTORIA, 1931-32 TO 1934-35—*continued.*

Article.	Year ended 30th June—			
	1932.	1933.	1934.	1935.
CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES, AND MACHINERY.	£	£	£	£
(a) <i>Machines and Machinery.</i>				
Machines and Machinery ..	126,738	100,540	100,254	167,549
(b) <i>Metals and Metal Manufactures other than Machinery.</i>				
Iron and Steel	24,434	28,037	30,957	36,152
Lead—Pig and in Matte ..	369	13	236	183
Tin Ingots	37	28	134	50
Zinc—Bars, Blocks, &c. ..	7,268	7,725	16,856	29,614
All other Metals and Manufactures thereof	107,113	125,580	149,757	146,153
Total, Class XII. ..	265,959	261,923	298,194	379,701
CLASS XIII.—RUBBER AND LEATHER, AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF, AND SUBSTITUTES THEREFOR.				
Rubber and Manufactures ..	18,393	22,966	29,768	34,437
Leather and Manufactures ..	135,590	164,582	294,601	214,053
Total, Class XIII. .	153,983	187,548	324,369	248,490
CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER, RAW AND MANUFACTURED ..	24,701	23,432	29,342	26,220
CLASS XV. — EARTHENWARE, CEMENTS, CHINA, GLASS, AND STONEWARE	24,842	27,041	40,292	43,216
CLASS XVI.—PAPER AND STATIONERY.				
Paper	12,356	9,275	10,958	23,825
Stationery	32,330	32,024	27,381	31,630
Total, Class XVI. ..	44,686	41,299	38,339	55,455
CLASS XVII.—JEWELLERY, TIME-PIECES, AND FANCY GOODS.				
Precious Stones, Unset ;				
Pearls, Cameos, &c. ..	15,554	16,704	11,245	23,859
All other Jewellery, Time-pieces, and Fancy Goods ..	17,179	22,280	38,697	34,296
Total, Class XVII. ..	32,733	38,984	49,942	58,155

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES EXPORTED TO OVERSEA COUNTRIES
FROM VICTORIA, 1931-32 TO 1934-35—continued.

Article.	Year ended 30th June—			
	1932.	1933.	1934.	1935.
	£	£	£	£
CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL, AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS..	43,152	56,984	48,898	60,481
CLASS XIX.—DRUGS, CHEMICALS, AND FERTILIZERS.				
Casein	23,431	14,341	22,050	32,066
Fertilizers	3,176	1,376	1,658	1,109
Medicines	5,086	3,725	9,228	14,132
Oil—Eucalyptus	34,112	35,405	34,368	39,174
All other Drugs and Chemicals	45,979	52,207	53,175	53,157
Total, Class XIX. ..	111,784	107,054	120,479	139,638
CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS.				
Soap	152,582	110,427	75,363	50,939
Vessels transferred abroad	11,250	..	..	1,500
All other Articles	167,708	127,116	184,084	225,364
Total, Class XX. ..	331,540	237,543	259,447	277,803
CLASS XXI.—GOLD AND SILVER; AND BRONZE SPECIE.				
Gold	3,198,015	3,134,058	1,547,421	1,857,367
Silver	24,179	15,952	26,414	12,522
Bronze	18,781	3,044	2,444	1,029
Total, Class XXI. ..	3,240,975	3,153,054	1,576,279	1,870,918
Australian produce	27,393,055	29,518,676	30,195,377	27,776,969
Other produce	371,255	290,742	324,349	342,858
Grand Total	27,764,310	29,809,418	30,519,726	28,119,827

The export trade consists largely of agricultural and pastoral products. The value of wool, wheat, flour, butter, fruits (all kinds), meats, skins, and milk and cream exported during the last five years amounted to 92 per cent. of the total Australian produce exported (merchandise only) for that period—wool alone represented 36 per cent. Exports of merchandise only during 1934-35 showed a decrease of £2,694,538 as compared with the previous year.

The value of the trade with various countries of the world in each of the last five years was as specified in the following table:—

Trade with
Countries.

**IMPORTS (CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO COUNTRY OF ORIGIN)
FROM PRINCIPAL COUNTRIES, AND EXPORTS DIRECT
THERE TO, 1930-31 to 1934-35.**

Imports of Products or Manufactures of—	Value in Year ended 30th June—				
	1931.	1932.	1933.	1934.	1935.
	British Currency Values—				
	£	£	£	£	£
United Kingdom	8,165,121	6,786,092	9,285,960	9,778,157	11,697,297
Canada	375,970	349,100	802,921	1,135,007	1,548,182
Hong Kong	373	234	656	3,239	2,847
India and Ceylon	1,554,581	968,978	1,189,644	1,205,428	928,889
Malaya (British)	119,984	123,918	138,676	136,892	269,645
New Zealand	436,581	534,533	616,303	698,933	710,648
Pacific Islands (British)	175,879	190,513	272,006	291,906	369,393
South African Union	22,289	15,320	18,751	41,656	63,902
Other British Possessions	124,272	76,224	145,534	109,364	197,535
Belgium	111,462	107,352	150,460	144,247	169,486
China	122,153	110,172	105,355	92,201	114,709
Czecho-Slovakia	101,348	89,797	108,654	106,423	143,935
Egypt	3,863	7,064	5,450	4,835	9,803
France	541,311	431,656	471,348	382,661	348,520
Germany	885,223	644,165	807,395	773,174	892,655
Italy	260,274	221,556	344,759	300,602	286,939
Japan	856,435	904,790	1,424,339	1,438,415	1,650,491
Netherlands	127,184	118,532	169,613	203,475	212,117
Netherlands East Indies	936,763	613,140	766,879	1,016,951	988,176
Norway	91,061	61,088	122,099	136,584	116,521
Persia	191,489	146,674	214,899	225,818	267,281
Peru	40	968	12,622	73	2,070
Philippine Islands	18,752	18,139	18,921	26,795	33,326
Spain	35,044	24,200	33,355	37,165	48,041
Sweden	323,570	273,893	378,338	350,770	340,359
Switzerland	362,145	229,295	226,680	204,581	208,578
United Socialist Soviet Republic	14,879	23,459	45,908	26,759	35,664
United States of America	3,394,743	2,336,012	2,781,912	2,539,046	3,581,495
Other Foreign Countries	369,073	226,498	337,950	446,181	495,892
Total*	19,721,853	15,633,362	20,998,947	21,857,041	25,734,396
Exports to—	Australian Currency Values—				
United Kingdom	14,831,336	14,628,633	16,214,443	14,550,513	15,358,112
Canada	379,384	444,405	396,899	480,750	418,941
Hong Kong	118,606	239,011	176,900	134,921	226,681
India and Ceylon	721,164	350,524	464,825	407,104	420,089
Malaya (British)	342,783	449,090	458,711	454,145	576,913
New Zealand	816,009	398,651	982,368	897,532	1,101,914
Pacific Islands (British)	112,386	82,791	111,041	117,058	133,098
South African Union	149,683	138,897	69,833	73,091	97,186
Other British Possessions	190,808	257,251	195,379	255,604	197,154
Belgium	432,761	435,811	635,902	1,442,580	1,043,417
China	1,006,610	1,060,768	1,956,739	391,568	218,153
Czecho-Slovakia	109	465	41	17,590	16,802
Egypt	341,029	325,719	85,291	93,842	80,486
France	1,271,429	1,084,737	1,404,548	1,780,375	1,107,783
Germany	689,108	591,959	631,060	1,248,045	340,345
Italy	586,803	1,046,769	691,547	1,335,986	196,822
Japan	2,454,382	3,638,481	3,584,468	4,663,449	3,685,831
Netherlands	197,555	135,215	93,226	95,682	106,880
Netherlands East Indies	969,802	816,001	667,419	593,865	553,328
Norway	31,164	2,153	1,558	77	1,836
Persia	290	150	163	498	153
Peru	109	109,419	38,321	..	1,944
Philippine Islands	26,104	48,238	150,426	147,667	52,655
Spain	12,882	203,244	43,250	42,373	217,636
Sweden	28,225	24,710	39,879	80,196	70,992
Switzerland	3,590	2,816	2,610	1,559	2,178
United Socialist Soviet Republic	528	52,923	75,370	45,691	52,238
United States of America	867,257	513,246	383,121	838,727	808,165
Other Foreign Countries	173,865	182,233	254,030	329,233	1,032,095†
Total	26,754,761	27,764,310	29,809,418	30,519,726	28,119,827

* Excluding "Outside Packages," 1930-31, £588,348; 1931-32, £410,455; 1932-33, £518,041; 1933-34, £547,191; 1934-35, £610,677.

† Includes Manchuria (Kwantung Peninsula), £707,492.

Trade with
United
Kingdom.

Nearly 55 per cent. of the total value of exports in 1934-35 were sent to Great Britain and Northern Ireland, whilst approximately 44 per cent. of imports were the products or manufactures of those countries. The chief articles of United Kingdom origin imported in the last five years and the principal articles exported direct thereto in the same period were as follows:—

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES INTERCHANGED WITH THE UNITED KINGDOM, 1930-31 TO 1934-35.

Articles.	Value in Year ended 30th June—				
	1931.	1932.	1933.	1934.	1935.
<i>Imported (British Currency Values) into Victoria (of United Kingdom origin).</i>	£	£	£	£	£
Whisky	111,170	50,396	86,404	116,791	89,173
Cigarettes	17,530	734	1,510	2,546	3,579
Apparel	165,041	160,624	247,215	279,312	323,182
Piece Goods—					
Canvas and Duck	90,846	116,253	157,906	152,396	206,266
Cotton and Linen	1,339,835	1,469,740	1,788,704	1,498,000	1,641,787
Silk	360,086	297,924	404,335	420,191	404,590
Woolen	67,032	26,138	56,845	81,587	108,840
Velvets, and Lace for Attire	104,823	111,664	115,233	76,229	81,443
Other	195,363	185,051	262,542	200,573	232,724
Floor Coverings	231,623	222,827	382,655	475,729	578,978
Sewing and Embroidery Silks, &c.	144,833	160,695	188,205	174,570	180,734
Yarns	335,939	350,496	407,787	352,972	465,951
Machines and Machinery	806,589	420,638	596,410	764,175	1,127,105
Metals and Metal Manufactures—					
Iron and Steel	594,863	533,477	686,499	669,729	930,544
Motor Cars (bodies, chassis, and parts)	148,407	107,836	364,109	669,793	560,910
Pipes and Tubes	124,539	57,556	126,150	102,362	106,337
Platedware and Cutlery	60,822	44,962	85,946	82,585	103,081
Other Vehicles and parts, n.e.l.	103,500	75,337	161,445	230,680	372,844
Other Metals and Manufactures	414,768	315,742	485,329	534,543	654,016
Rubber and Rubber Goods	79,915	68,844	79,689	71,788	76,559
Crockery and Household Ware	88,905	54,061	75,607	73,542	105,005
Glass and Glassware	40,191	17,621	43,156	47,473	60,639
Paper	653,970	560,098	530,986	590,041	550,836
Books	236,318	197,899	212,458	241,735	319,704
Fancy Goods	92,139	42,539	39,639	47,649	60,294
Drugs and Medicinal Preparations	71,232	49,467	64,015	57,584	62,758
Sodium Salts	83,634	110,217	125,013	99,645	105,139
Dyes	50,069	94,877	116,866	116,310	123,073
Arms, Ammunition, and Explosives	174,423	90,614	192,910	169,391	183,440
All other Articles	1,096,766	791,755	1,150,392	1,377,236	1,877,811
Total	8,165,121	6,786,092	9,285,960	9,778,157	11,697,297
<i>Exported (Australian Currency Values) from Victoria to United Kingdom.</i>					
Butter	2,827,668	3,641,089	3,491,651	2,095,079	3,078,708
Eggs	83,306	151,010	240,450	362,292	369,760
Meats—					
Beef, Mutton and Lamb	1,217,541	1,374,825	1,770,435	1,984,827	2,451,024
Rabbits and Hares	155,648	144,498	164,367	117,817	181,639
Other	109,531	64,057	117,820	176,861	232,922*
Milk and Cream	3,012	39,556	150,301	41,569	3,150
Fruits—all kinds	1,698,336	1,151,200	2,136,759	2,195,693	1,754,923
Wheat and Flour	855,831	911,613	1,179,142	769,123	268,758
Wine, fermented	48,098	55,590	36,622	45,116	32,155
Hides and Skins	628,002	205,746	198,754	492,603	329,848
Wool	2,700,811	3,144,862	3,016,411	4,144,271	4,010,126
Tallow, unrefined	13,733	53,828	81,086	29,480	37,196
Leather, &c.	64,327	63,799	82,604	182,396	112,609
Soap	174,963	128,103	92,135	60,184	37,955
Bullion and Specie	3,463,739	3,233,098	3,152,974	1,555,610	1,862,966
All other Articles	788,685	266,259	302,982	294,592	594,373
Total	14,831,336	14,628,633	16,214,493	14,550,513	15,358,112

* Including "Pork," £97,712.

Trade with
India and
Ceylon.

During 1934-35 imports from India and Ceylon decreased by £276,539 as compared with the previous year, while exports to those countries increased by £12,985.

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES INTERCHANGED WITH
INDIA AND CEYLON, 1930-31 TO 1934-35.

Articles.	Value in Year ended 30th June—				
	1931.	1932.	1933.	1934.	1935.
<i>Imported (British Currency Values) into Victoria (of Indian and Cingalese origin).</i>					
	£	£	£	£	£
Cocoa Beans	4,320	5,168	4,478	5,728	5,044
Coffee	11,141	13,613	4,997	4,278	6,644
Rice	191	58	1	51	..
Nuts	3,547	1,258	631	787	719
Spices	12,010	4,867	4,660	4,911	4,359
Tea	259,678	118,559	121,240	179,408	138,198
Hides and Skins	39,126	40,390	36,181	39,464	36,887
Fibres	21,707	32,925	41,763	31,537	35,047
Gums and Resins	9,332	12,302	8,413	9,769	13,842
Seeds	28,477	35,503	24,766	40,605	37,199
Hessians	88,432	100,959	131,281	94,744	100,705
Floor Coverings	2,455	2,015	5,527	6,199	6,926
Bags and Sacks	991,114	537,241	758,739	728,509	469,840
Yarns—Coir	12,895	7,989	8,569	10,661	14,569
Oils in Bulk	226	520	1,370	291	917
Waxes	4,455	3,716	3,758	4,537	5,004
Rubber, &c.	13,530	10,235	3,568	11,810	19,423
All other Articles	51,945	41,660	29,698	32,149	33,566
Total	1,554,581	968,978	1,189,644	1,205,428	928,889
<i>Exported (Australian Currency Values) from Victoria to India and Ceylon.</i>					
Butter	10,640	9,626	10,490	9,516	12,192
Meats	15,804	8,351	13,806	14,005	15,008
Milk and Cream	48,372	66,870	124,807	86,483	72,310
Biscuits	3,213	3,136	2,097	2,624	2,978
Fruits (all kinds)	3,072	3,271	1,873	1,817	4,503
Hay and Chaff	3,312	9,821	11,717	13,753	9,205
Wheat	249,059	628	497	720	1,347
Flour	100,053	91,689	92,981	86,550	96,515
Horses	26,492	23,308	27,684	24,529	26,720
Wool	37,415	43,023	72,492	71,687	66,978
Tallow (unrefined)	29,237	23,641	50,895	31,299	39,306
Soap	4,330	2,871	1,921	1,818	1,015
Specie and Bullion	120,000	7,700	..	..	..
All other Articles	66,115	51,589	53,565	62,273	72,012
Total	721,164	350,524	464,825	407,104	420,089

The value of imports from New Zealand for the year ended 30th June, 1935, was £710,648. The exports thereto amounted to £1,101,914, an increase of £204,382 over the previous year. The principal articles of trade during the last five years were as follows :—

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES INTERCHANGED WITH
NEW ZEALAND, 1930-31 TO 1934-35.

Articles.	Value in Year ended 30th June—				
	1931.	1932.	1933.	1934.	1935.
<i>Imported (British Currency Values) into Victoria (of New Zealand origin).</i>	£	£	£	£	£
Fish	25,366	18,229	19,069	40,117	48,568
Milk and Cream	2,482	450	897	2,624	325
Meats	5,080	5,582	5,412	4,564	5,525
Grain and Pulse	15,578	15,524	9,070	6,767	8,378
Hops	792	342	191	438	510
Animals (horses, cattle, sheep, and pigs)	7,084	7,861	13,397	20,137	20,829
Hides and Skins	66,449	61,155	95,329	138,953	151,686
Wool	14,416	17,138	21,002	172,919	57,382
Flax and Hemp	27,590	13,038	18,129	20,834	27,510
Oakum and Tow	5,625	2,667	2,775	3,122	2,537
Seeds	13,780	32,728	19,443	26,481	37,801
Timber	72,114	87,774	117,412	82,082	167,489
Gold and Silver	127,007	240,840	265,283	138,626	127,080
All other Articles	48,218	31,205	28,894	41,269	55,030
Total	436,581	534,533	616,303	698,933	710,648
<i>Exported (Australian Currency Values) from Victoria to New Zealand.</i>					
Fruits, all kinds	159,565	223,322	111,859	126,663	243,518
Grain and Pulse—					
Wheat	134	..	190,811	209	1
Flour	6,526	5,471	2,679	1,367	1,381
Oats	9,195	17,138	7,507	172	288
Rice and Rice Meal	2,665	2,511	1,239	2,054	288
Tea	7,590	4,500	13,337	14,625	3,066
Spirituons and Alcoholic Liquors	11,515	6,880	6,834	3,380	9,825
Tobacco manufactured	159,914	131,076	93,146	52,722	39,698
Apparel	17,983	66,511	85,447	81,869	62,340
Textiles	31,187	24,036	21,297	38,271	43,534
Manufactured Fibres	24,077	21,280	11,114	42,473	63,510
Oils	6,805	4,808	6,663	5,368	7,909
Machines and Machinery	47,810	42,937	40,602	40,462	70,267
Metal manufactures	31,785	34,165	47,949	71,173	70,680
Rubber manufactures	12,843	14,744	19,460	25,796	33,078
Leather, &c.	11,327	18,963	29,736	45,364	44,429
Books	11,245	6,697	6,286	7,080	9,978
Photographic goods and materials	45,450	32,059	33,774	34,033	46,190
Drugs and Chemicals	34,215	36,180	33,987	38,375	40,157
Arms, Ammunition, and Explosives	45,906	55,306	56,524	48,801	68,414
All other Articles	139,472	148,562	162,108	203,266	232,693
Australian produce	706,812	818,834	895,117	799,985	993,902
Other produce	109,197	79,817	87,251	97,547	108,012
Total	816,009	898,651	982,368	897,532	1,101,914

Trade with Belgium.

The value of imports from Belgium showed a slight increase—£25,239—during 1934-35, but exports from Victoria to that country decreased by £399,163. The principal articles of trade with Belgium during each of the last five years were as follows:—

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES INTERCHANGED WITH BELGIUM, 1930-31 TO 1934-35.

Articles.	Value in Year ended 30th June—				
	1931.	1932.	1933.	1934.	1935.
<i>Imported (British Currency Values) into Victoria (of Belgian origin).</i>	£	£	£	£	£
Furs and other Skins, dressed ..	81	1,716	1,813	100	..
Gloves	7,652	4,821	5,829	5,061	12,185
Piece Goods	22,885	28,271	38,485	43,067	45,020
Artificial Silk Yarn	4,252	3,717	891	316	182
Electrical Machinery, &c. ..	2,290	1,797	4,495	4,265	6,156
Metal Manufactures—					
Copper	1,105	231	42	68	47
Iron and Steel	2,987	2,703	7,134	3,949	2,988
Vehicles	112	..	10	30	14
Other	6,709	3,593	3,814	5,554	5,391
Glass and Glassware	20,996	23,778	39,430	42,786	49,374
Paper	11,491	11,576	12,496	7,230	7,287
Precious Stones, Unset	1,128	2,364	11,309	4,293	12,948
Arms, Ammunition, and Explosives	6,178	3,089	8,743	4,446	2,748
All other Articles	23,586	19,696	22,475	23,082	25,146
Total	111,452	107,352	156,466	144,247	169,486
<i>Exported (Australian Currency Values) from Victoria to Belgium.</i>					
Meats	6,385	2,002	1,548	310	513
Wheat	71,650	126,225	33,045	..	548
Hides and Skins	23,588	1,703	4,494	12,491	27,200
Wool	303,023	280,159	579,449	1,416,681	981,736
Tallow (unrefined)	1,587	137	..	..	1,060
Cameos and Precious Stones ..	2,123	950	971	599	1,400
All other Articles	24,405	24,635	16,395	12,499	30,960
Total	432,761	435,811	635,902	1,442,580	1,043,417

Trade with France. Imports from France during 1934-35 decreased by nearly 9 per cent. as compared with the previous year, while exports decreased by almost 38 per cent. Details of the exports to France and of the goods of French origin received in the past five years are given in the appended table :—

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES INTERCHANGED WITH FRANCE, 1930-31 TO 1934-35.

Articles.	Value in Year ended 30th June—				
	1931.	1932.	1933.	1934.	1935.
<i>Imported (British Currency Values) into Victoria (of French origin).</i>	£	£	£	£	£
Brandy	2,194	2,060	5,512	8,741	9,748
Hides and Skins	3,248	296	653	2,525	508
Wine	2,159	289	3,915	8,336	11,465
Gums and Resins	17,426	8,584	11,734	7,188	4,734
Apparel—					
Trimmings and Ornaments	43,374	30,499	38,979	41,060	36,373
Gloves	13,684	9,595	6,927	11,255	9,786
Other	24,972	10,710	20,694	19,715	15,910
Textiles—					
Piece Goods	242,656	238,356	239,107	123,489	99,728
Other	9,814	4,835	3,923	4,151	4,385
Oils	12,730	16,640	17,201	15,966	16,295
Electrical Machinery and Appliances	1,055	3,082	1,407	1,212	1,506
Other Machines and Machinery	12,871	5,043	8,482	3,797	9,572
Motor Bodies, Chassis and Parts	998	406	4,774	3,108	3,246
Rubber Manufactures	2,269	2,401	4,146	3,605	1,380
Stationery and Paper Manufactures	38,989	18,210	4,017	3,665	3,954
Pipes (smoking)	6,602	4,192	4,258	5,380	3,956
Cream of Tartar	2,099	..	72	173	44
Perfumery and Toilet Preparations	12,813	8,379	8,908	9,591	9,297
All other Articles	91,358	68,079	86,639	108,804	106,633
Total	541,311	431,656	471,348	382,661	348,520
<i>Exported (Australian Currency Values) from Victoria to France.</i>					
Meats	9,574	3,731	12,165	8,335	8,911
Wheat and Flour .. .. .	..	2,023	..	..	..
Hides and Skins	833,750	223,199	469,904	769,538	519,765
Wool	907,691	839,953	906,906	962,690	556,738
Tallow (unrefined) .. .. .	..	275	1,255	..	..
All other Articles	20,414	15,556	14,318	39,812	22,369
Total	1,271,429	1,084,787	1,404,548	1,780,375	1,107,783

Trade with Germany. Prior to the Great War (1913) the percentage of trade with Germany amounted to 8·4 per cent. of the total with overseas countries, but the percentage during 1934-35 was 2·7. Wool is the chief item exported to Germany, and during the past five years accounted for 86 per cent. of the total exports to that country—the percentage for 1934-35 being 89.

The principal articles interchanged during the last five years were as follows:—

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES INTERCHANGED WITH GERMANY, 1930-31 TO 1934-35.

Articles.	Value in year ended 30th June—				
	1931.	1932.	1933.	1934.	1935.
<i>Imported (British Currency Values) into Victoria (of German origin).</i>	£	£	£	£	£
Hides and Skins	2,363	1,558	246	177	47
Apparel—					
Gloves	35,345	57,356	83,954	61,991	67,795
Other	81,765	47,839	53,230	39,639	39,676
Textiles—					
Piece Goods	70,957	56,650	65,406	46,877	56,424
Other	17,344	13,257	16,519	11,269	15,052
Artificial Silk Yarn	23,177	25,441	14,165	5,205	186
Machines and Machinery ..	191,538	101,505	108,211	122,477	171,556
Metals and Metal Manufactures—					
Vehicles and Parts	5,791	3,044	3,728	7,164	13,164
Plated Ware and Cutlery ..	10,056	7,076	11,319	9,039	9,790
Other	102,370	53,912	77,459	82,394	91,915
Glass and Glassware	10,596	8,721	11,204	15,226	33,366
Paper	37,388	28,223	29,662	31,725	28,462
Stationery and Paper Manufactures	17,730	10,197	12,696	11,857	11,535
Fancy Goods	37,204	16,020	13,890	13,569	9,994
Timepieces	13,308	8,824	15,082	19,013	24,191
Optical, Surgical, and Scientific Instruments	24,524	20,798	31,544	40,206	48,274
Drugs, Chemicals, and Fertilizers	81,300	83,373	114,588	99,788	107,268
Bags, Baskets, &c.	7,034	6,668	10,439	23,083	30,676
Brushware	3,319	1,277	2,680	2,480	3,335
Musical Instruments	6,513	4,123	7,656	7,116	10,818
All other Articles	105,601	88,303	123,717	122,879	119,131
Total	885,223	644,165	807,395	773,174	892,655
<i>Exported (Australian Currency Values) from Victoria to Germany.</i>					
Butter	356	426	228	..	..
Sausage Casings	3,827	3,030	2,682	3,071	768
Fruits (all kinds)	35,336	6	40,586	29,918	8,870
Wheat and Flour	8,972	15,743	1,617	..	..
Wool	508,361	477,017	549,192	1,167,668	301,862
Hides and Skins	85,302	62,227	8,887	19,268	11,624
Tallow (unrefined)	1,724	709	4,284	..	..
Casein .. .. .	..	26	..	2,460	520
Eucalyptus Oil	7,526	6,470	8,393	5,940	5,511
All other Articles	37,704	26,305	15,191	19,720	11,190
Total	689,108	591,959	631,060	1,248,045	340,345

Imports from Japan during 1934-35 showed a substantial increase—£212,076—over those of the previous year. Exports in 1934-35 were less by £977,618 than those of 1933-34. The principal articles interchanged during the last five years were as follows:—

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES INTERCHANGED WITH JAPAN, 1930-31 TO 1934-35.

Articles.	Value in Year ended 30th June—				
	1931.	1932.	1933.	1934.	1935.
<i>Imported (British Currency Values into Victoria (of Japanese origin).</i>	£	£	£	£	£
Fish	9,228	111	2,769	2,748	5,193
Silk, Raw	213,273	211,337	213,875	221,511	169,381
Fibres	3,808	2,626	5,409	2,427	3,533
Grass or Straw, &c.	1,112	7,768	11,082	9,144	12,048
Apparel—					
Buttons	9,456	7,034	15,234	10,869	15,776
Hats and Caps	2,622	9,995	12,334	9,797	5,604
Other	6,943	6,834	13,501	23,144	36,229
Piece Goods—	391,542	392,766	550,963	521,690	616,085
Silk	70,532	89,710	170,545	205,345	295,891
Cotton and Linen	12,965	18,812	41,742	49,122	66,310
Other	19,335	13,423	43,043	33,538	38,578
Other Textiles	4,841	14,389	28,033	28,866	36,619
Yarns	5,636	3,441	8,661	3,943	5,472
Oils	5,826	1,995	4,959	5,808	5,819
Timber	17,538	24,451	44,464	43,703	37,528
China ware	5,374	2,655	11,378	15,986	16,786
Glass and Glassware	17,881	19,998	32,064	49,232	48,145
Fancy Goods	2,841	3,436	9,537	5,807	5,736
Jewellery and Precious Stones	3,047	3,060	1,802	1,652	2,414
Camphor	2	15,834	81,068	34,658	38,764
Sulphur (Brimstone)	52,634	55,115	121,876	154,405	188,580
All other Articles					
Total	856,436	904,790	1,424,339	1,438,415	1,650,491
<i>Exported (Australian Currency Values) from Victoria to Japan.</i>					
Butter	1,557	998	2,787	559	..
Hides and Skins	6,031	4,715	8,373	18,167	42,000
Milk and Cream	51,639	18,001	15,104	33,286	9,801
Wheat	606,125	1,301,815	836,788	670,476	1,240,387
Flour	4,541	3,966	6,937	2,850	4,647
Wool	1,715,800	2,181,729	2,602,950	3,839,697	2,258,058
Tallow (unrefined)	38,094	73,198	55,561	40,948	47,549
Casein	20,704	21,803	14,333	19,138	31,333
Fertilizers	795	1,966	1,358	456	1,072
All other Articles	9,096	30,290	40,277	37,872	50,984
Total	2,454,382	3,638,481	3,584,468	4,663,449	3,685,831

Trade with
Netherlands
East Indies.

Imports from Netherlands East Indies during 1934-35 decreased by £28,475, while exports decreased by £40,537 as compared with 1933-34. The chief articles interchanged with Netherlands East Indies during the last five years were as follows:—

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES INTERCHANGED WITH
NETHERLANDS EAST INDIES, 1930-31 TO 1934-35.

Articles.	Value in Year ended 30th June—				
	1931.	1932.	1933.	1934.	1935.
<i>Imported (British Currency Values) into Victoria (of Netherlands East Indies origin).</i>	£	£	£	£	£
Coffee and Chicory	10,266	9,912	12,018	11,829	9,165
Sago and Tapioca	463	1,081	221	..	135
Spices	3,810	5,795	4,555	315	346
Tea	207,361	168,855	132,495	289,097	255,677
Tobacco—unmanufactured	9,161	5,283	7,760	32,534	20,029
Hides and Skins	14,973	3,598	18,999	14,684	6,026
Fibres	87,611	74,658	68,476	49,897	61,793
Seeds	6,411	3,709	5,056	3,325	3,338
Oils	535,936	291,044	455,945	494,076	558,055
Rubber, crude	38,672	25,538	30,630	94,308	48,486
All other Articles	21,599	23,667	24,724	25,386	25,126
Total	936,763	613,140	766,879	1,016,651	988,176
<i>Exported (Australian Currency Values) from Victoria to the Netherlands East Indies.</i>					
Butter	457,314	396,821	282,195	223,805	250,567
Meats	743	1,267	1,296	637	1,259
Milk and Cream	197,744	103,938	76,685	58,969	2,856
Biscuits	13,894	8,133	6,014	7,553	11,813
Fruits and fruit juices	36,408	33,287	27,075	27,999	23,008
Flour	223,337	234,214	215,701	219,390	215,616
Machines and Machinery	2,755	95	64	315	145
Leather, &c.	13,174	11,063	20,651	22,348	9,124
Soap	3,191	3,193	1,477	969	910
All other Articles	21,242	23,990	36,261	31,880	38,030
Total	969,802	816,001	667,419	593,865	553,328

Imports from the United States of America increased by £1,042,449 during 1934-35 as compared with 1933-34, whilst exports to that country decreased by £30,562. The principal articles included in the trade with the United States of America in the last five years were as follows:—

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES INTERCHANGED WITH THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, 1930-31 TO 1934-35.

Articles.	Value in Year ended 30th June—				
	1931.	1932.	1933.	1934.	1935.
<i>Imported (British Currency Values) into Victoria (of United States origin).</i>	£	£	£	£	£
Fish, Preserved in Tins	7,298	195	7,909	5,290	3,680
Sausage Casings	30,250	19,175	21,979	34,017	44,143
Tobacco, &c.	371,519	183,137	273,068	169,875	279,307
Gums and Resins	9,939	13,509	18,573	17,641	23,043
Apparel—					
Socks and Stockings	6,909	244	847	203	500
Other	45,113	27,670	15,304	18,422	30,216
Textiles—					
Piece Goods	143,966	103,244	64,647	59,802	65,891
Other	40,633	17,587	12,285	11,153	10,253
Manufactured Fibres and Yarns	106,139	44,562	37,633	11,734	20,706
Oils	1,080,827	853,098	958,490	760,950	619,391
Paints and Varnishes	20,442	24,289	28,718	27,065	42,347
Asphalt, Bitumen, and Natural Pitch	32,884	25,408	25,524	16,884	2,713
Machines and Machinery	464,283	215,684	288,408	312,291	548,945
Metals and Metal manufactures—					
Iron and Steel	27,819	23,390	20,974	20,497	42,182
Tools of Trade	48,269	30,345	30,030	33,206	42,530
Vehicles and Parts—					
Motor Bodies, Chassis, &c.	115,007	96,299	244,720	308,947	766,666
Other	62,644	39,771	80,061	87,961	176,233
Other Metals, &c.	110,009	55,939	59,216	78,016	103,190
Rubber, &c.	21,619	28,998	30,916	15,135	22,147
Leather, &c.	9,683	2,814	1,787	2,837	5,231
Timber	75,729	36,557	56,217	80,218	84,909
Glass and Glassware	15,015	13,906	8,162	13,106	16,323
Paper	41,636	46,226	51,548	33,870	37,178
Stationery	82,640	58,264	32,532	22,262	30,519
Jewellery, Timepieces, and Fancy Goods	31,587	17,465	6,523	5,750	14,826
Optical, Surgical, and Scientific Instruments	51,378	43,947	50,095	52,934	74,053
Sulphur (Brimstone)	87,822	98,450	89,389	95,358	85,015
Arms, Ammunition, and Explosives	11,438	6,457	4,861	16,018	17,591
Instruments—Musical	7,264	3,025	1,883	2,124	5,353
All other articles	234,982	206,357	259,614	225,480	366,414
Total	3,394,743	2,336,012	2,781,912	2,539,046	3,581,495
<i>Exported (Australian Currency Values) from Victoria to the United States.</i>					
Sausage Casings	100,977	69,326	109,105	194,884	250,963
Hides and Skins	231,780	186,450	141,960	353,091	294,067
Wool	410,962	164,400	79,602	222,054	100,847
Tallow (unrefined) .. .. .	..	1,173	..	177	98,216
Machines and Machinery	46,006	19,304	10,325	10,083	4,707
Metals and Metal Manufactures	13,644	8,909	9,158	4,481	4,448
Leather, &c.	7,437	..	629	1,900	97
Eucalyptus Oil	14,295	7,536	8,639	12,074	14,926
All other articles	42,156	56,148	23,713	39,983	39,894
Total	867,257	513,246	383,121	888,727	808,165

Wool, wheat and flour, butter, fruits (all kinds), meats, and hides and skins were the six principal articles of merchandise exported from Victoria in 1934-35. The values of these products, arranged according to destination, are shown in the following statement:—

DESTINATION OF THE PRINCIPAL ARTICLES OF MERCHANDISE EXPORTED IN 1934-35.

(Australian Currency Values.)

Destination.	Wool.	Wheat and Flour.	Butter.	Fruits (all kinds).	Meats.	Hides and Skins.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
United Kingdom ..	4,010,126	268,758	3,078,708	1,754,923	2,865,585	329,843
Aden ..	..	5,887	64	374	..	..
Canada ..	37,749	8,403	..	340,251	1,482	254
Hong Kong ..	1,532	155,650	981	5,700	1,453	..
India and Ceylon ..	66,978	97,862	12,192	9,205	15,008	1,087
Irish Free State ..	..	52,689	..	2,015	..	..
Malaya (British) ..	..	42,505	40,106	5,338	14,858	29
Malta ..	..	11,367	321	652	5,276	..
Mauritius ..	..	55,998	7,621	241	139	..
New Zealand ..	5,145	1,382	..	243,518	863	1,696
Pacific Islands (British) ..	..	1,244	656	2,498	5,465	..
South African Union ..	..	651	..	189	813	..
Sudan ..	..	5,564	18	43	1	..
Other British Countries ..	..	11,351	7,542	1,294	1,587	..
Africa, Portuguese East ..	..	45,998	238	826	5	..
Africa, Portuguese West ..	..	29,194	..	..	..	..
Belgium ..	981,736	1,128	4,846	377	513	27,200
China ..	5,023	162,518	10,256	1,191	87	2,089
Egypt ..	..	67,316	271	1,468	9,356	..
France ..	556,738	..	..	11	8,911	519,765
French Indo-China ..	..	9,237	..	1,069	170	..
Germany ..	301,862	..	..	8,870	768	11,624
Italy ..	167,565	3,121	..	..	439	12,373
Japan ..	2,258,058	1,245,034	..	1	6,686	42,000
Manchuria (including Kwantung Peninsula) ..	..	703,316	633	24	..	..
Netherlands ..	81,782	1,587	..	2,944	6	2,375
Netherlands East Indies ..	..	215,619	250,567	15,094	1,259	54
Norway ..	1,314	..	..	55	..	..
Philippine Islands ..	..	42,222	2,330	466	526	..
Siam ..	..	29,466	4,089	..	..	..
Spain ..	112,623	..	..	..	..	104,992
Sweden ..	64,915	..	..	..	424	1,820
U.S.S. Republic ..	..	52,224	..	..	..	..
United States of America ..	100,847	..	..	5	251,057	294,067
Other Foreign Countries ..	157,915	25,152	6,728	448	6,925	9,603
Total ..	8,911,908	3,352,443	3,428,217	2,399,090	3,199,712	1,361,076

The value of the above-mentioned six articles added to that of the next principal item (milk and cream) represented slightly over 88 per cent. of the total merchandise exported. The value of milk and cream exported amounted to £513,107, of which £372,013 was sent to Malaya (British), £72,310 to India and Ceylon, and £22,874 to China.

Principal Exports—Quantity and Value. In the following table particulars relating to quantities and values of the principal commodities exported from Victoria, are given :—

QUANTITIES AND VALUES OF THE PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES EXPORTED DURING EACH OF THE YEARS 1931-32 TO 1934-35.

(AUSTRALIAN CURRENCY VALUES.)

Commodity.	1931-32.	1932-33.	1933-34.	1934-35.
Wool { lb. £	182,978,607 7,694,531	214,621,692 8,638,936	189,521,493 13,511,750	191,192,361 8,911,908
Butter { lb. £	81,068,322 4,149,713	95,492,925 3,865,321	76,470,363 2,411,892	93,643,352 3,428,217
Wheat { centsals £	16,812,761 4,246,048	14,710,399 3,621,571	5,930,720 1,431,842	6,740,543 1,617,923
Flour (wheaten) { centsals £	4,357,440 1,347,302	4,832,238 1,564,396	4,322,481 1,285,088	5,277,680 1,734,520
Fruits—				
Dried { lb. £	64,087,466 1,278,327	72,156,497 1,507,299	99,254,166 1,722,359	83,280,231 1,320,022
Fresh { lb. £	17,840,700 173,112	78,250,600 687,583	45,125,500 391,225	48,268,400 431,159
Preserved in Liquid { lb. £	22,878,506 399,526	26,045,887 475,636	42,345,194 658,468	41,806,638 647,909
Meats— ..				
Beef (frozen) { lb. £	2,345,825 30,028	6,980,439 90,352	4,338,283 50,466	5,889,226 61,981
Lamb (frozen) { lb. £	53,730,762 1,186,155	70,792,912 1,521,078	71,888,867 1,677,254	82,602,215 2,134,761
Mutton (frozen) { lb. £	11,816,831 190,621	14,385,563 197,056	19,329,364 290,242	19,527,499 297,002
Rabbits and Hares (frozen) { pairs £	2,540,163 148,058	2,945,707 170,899	2,719,305 124,196	4,297,934 192,104
All other { £	152,863	251,880	400,372	513,864
Milk and Cream { lb. £	15,514,090 625,424	23,683,146 900,778	19,079,951 715,528	13,903,655 513,107
Hides and Skins—				
Sheep { lb. £	29,297,222 492,081	34,623,178 663,732	38,360,765 1,325,081	34,096,376 887,082
Calf, Cattle, Horse { No. £	23,491 21,113	53,643 38,190	61,655 44,444	176,154 72,035
Rabbits and Hares { lb. £	2,255,125 126,088	2,874,945 127,598	3,621,047 261,761	3,157,799 236,199
Other Skins { £	54,843	43,576	117,723	165,760
Tallow (unrefined) { cwt. £	209,957 220,611	240,598 240,262	137,134 131,024	255,701 263,558
Eggs in shell { dozen £	2,751,820 138,382	3,858,036 223,426	6,553,468 359,877	6,575,746 370,169

**Customs and
Excise
Revenue.**

The following statement shows the oversea trade and the gross revenue collected at Victorian ports and inland stations, during the year 1934-35 :—

**OVERSEA TRADE AND GROSS REVENUE COLLECTED
AT VICTORIAN PORTS AND INLAND STATIONS, 1934-35.**

Heading.	Melbourne.	Geelong.	Portland.	Warrnam- bool.	Inland Sta- tions.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Oversea Trade—						
Imports (British Cur- rency)	25,279,269	1,034,942	30,862	..	..	26,345,073
Exports (Australian Currency)	26,074,671	1,789,984	255,172	..	..	28,119,827
Total (British Currency)	46,100,368	2,464,071	234,592	..	..	48,799,031
Gross Revenue (Aus- tralian Currency)—						
Import Duties	6,865,838	237,426	63,636	..	..	7,166,900
Excise Duties	3,769,787	13,428	..	..	27,114	3,810,329
Primage	1,551,462	66,046	2,838	..	..	1,620,346
Other Sources	41,780	310	45	..	13	42,148
Total	12,228,867	317,210	66,519	..	27,127	12,639,723*

* After deducting £413,394 for Refunds and Drawbacks, &c., the net revenue was £12,226,329.

**Interstate
Trade.**

On the 13th September, 1910, the Commonwealth Government abandoned the collecting and recording of information relating to Interstate imports and exports, but at the Statisticians' Conference, held in 1926 at Perth, it was resolved that action should be taken by each Statistician, with the exception of Western Australia and Tasmania (where schemes for collecting Interstate trade statistics were in force), with a view to obtaining a record of the principal items of Interstate trade. It has not been possible to obtain complete information in respect of the value of the Interstate trade of Victoria.

Returns relating to the interchange of goods between Victoria and the other States, have been received from the Harbor Trusts, Railways Department, Ports and Harbors Department, and the Warrnambool Harbor Board. It has not been possible to obtain particulars of interstate trade carried on by means of road traffic.

Primary
Produce
interchanged.

The tabulated totals of certain items of primary produce for the year 1934-35, excluding all oversea cargo interchanged are shown in the following table :—

INTERSTATE TRADE OF 10 SPECIFIED ARTICLES, 1934-35.
(QUANTITIES ONLY.)

Article.	Imported into Victoria from other States during 1934-35, and recorded by—				
	Victorian Railways.	Port of Melbourne.	Port of Geelong.	Ports of Portland and Warrnam- bool.	Total.
	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.
Butter	1	918	..	..	919
Coal	7	906,746	147,225	7,892	1,061,870
Flour	21,241	8	..	..	21,249
Fruits, fresh	37,353	6,980*	..	..	†
Fruits, dried	1,288	2,628*	..	..	‡
Oats	5,109	294	..	..	5,403
Onions	296	120	..	..	416
Potatoes	641	369	..	..	1,010
Wheat	53,052	2	..	..	53,054
Wool	21,994	8,695	2,202	609	33,500

Article.	Exported from Victoria to other States during 1934-35, and recorded by—				
	Victorian Railways.	Port of Melbourne.	Port of Geelong.	Ports of Portland and Warrnam- bool.	Total.
	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.
Butter	174	894	..	..	1,068
Coal	859	1,909	..	..	2,768
Flour	4,881	5,637	..	..	10,518
Fruits, fresh	11,565	18,380*	..	..	‡
Fruits, dried	810	6,873*	..	..	§
Oats	1,128	4,834	228	..	6,190
Onions	4,271	12,522	8,781	..	25,574
Potatoes	16,977	11,891	222	..	29,090
Wheat	1,966	546	140	..	2,652
Wool	763	4,839	1,275	..	6,877

* Measurement tons.

† Comprising 37,353 tons weight and 6,980 tons measurement.

‡ Comprising 1,288 tons weight and 2,623 tons measurement.

§ Comprising 11,565 tons weight and 18,380 tons measurement.

|| Comprising 810 tons weight and 6,873 tons measurement.

The foregoing table refers to the quantities of ten articles interchanged between Victoria and the other States. The States from and to in the case of imports and exports respectively are available for only three of the aforementioned items. These consist of butter, flour, and wheat, and information relating to the importing and exporting State of these articles is as follows :—

**INTERSTATE TRADE OF THREE SPECIFIED ARTICLES
CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO THE STATE OF IMPORT
AND EXPORT, 1934-35.**

Article.	Imported into Victoria from—					
	New South Wales.	Queen-land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Total.
	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.
Butter	1	4	..	..	914	919
Flour	20,629	..	619	..	1	21,249
Wheat	46,557	..	6,435	2	..	53,054

Article.	Exported from Victoria to—						
	New South	Queens-land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Northern Territory.	Total.
	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.
Butter	202	..	223	441	201	1	1,068
Flour	3,018	397	1,904	1	5,073	125	10,518
Wheat	1,646	1	450	..	543	12	2,652

Manufactured Articles interchanged.

Since January, 1934, returns of manufactured articles (quantities only) have also been received from the authorities mentioned on page 346. Particulars of the interstate trade in these articles are given in the following statement for the year ended 30th June, 1935.

**INTERSTATE TRADE OF CERTAIN MANUFACTURED
ARTICLES, 1934-35.**

(Quantities only.)

Item.	Melbourne Harbor Trust.		Geelong Harbor Trust.		Victorian Railways Department.	
	Imports.	Exports.	Imports.	Exports.	Imports.	Exports.
	Meas. Tons.	Meas. Tons.	Meas. Tons.	Meas. Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
Confectionery	8,688	13,472	10	..	31	971
Jams, Pickles, Sauces ..	1,019	12,587	..	1	20	646
Ale and Beer	46	28,994	..	..	15	1,426
Spirits	748	3,508	7	174	16	65
Wine	3,614	843	6	..	1,760	276
Tobacco and Cigars	3,167	4,432	..	..	20	125
Cigarettes	3,759	2,114	..	..	..	..
Apparel and Textiles ..	21,538	56,871	5	1,324	279	3,080
Boots and Shoes	2,767	12,227	..	..	94	1,477
Machinery and Metal Manufactures	85,875	161,388	294	72	425	2,727
Steel	88,214*	7,089*	35	..	63	105
Wire Netting	2,946*	331*	27	..	50	238
Tiuber	79,245	6,378	6,366	..	4,566	4,280
Paper	13,150	29,293	619	..	1,048	1,192
Chemicals, Drugs, Medicines	18,608	26,968	40	19	6	55

* Weight tons.

There was no interstate trade in these articles at the Port of Warrnambool during 1934-35.

Border
Crossings—
Stock.

Details of border crossings of stock between Victoria and New South Wales and Victoria and South Australia respectively are shown below.

BORDER CROSSINGS, 1934-35.

Item.	Imported into Victoria from—		Exported from Victoria to—	
	New South Wales.	South Australia.	New South Wales.	South Australia.
	No.	No.	No.	No.
Horses	953	281	1,593	1,036
Cattle	60,092	1,720	25,960	5,375
Sheep	1,498,783	39,104	413,032	112,278

The above information has been received from the Government Statistician of New South Wales and the Government Statist of South Australia respectively.

SHIPPING.

Victorian shipping as dealt with in the succeeding tables refers to vessels trading with other states and overseas countries; the tonnage quoted is net. Vessels trading on the Victorian coast and on the River Murray have not been taken into consideration. In the particulars of the shipping at Victorian ports (page 351) and at the port of Melbourne (page 353) coastal shipping is included.

The number of vessels entered and cleared, and their total tonnage in each of the last five years were as follows:—

OVERSEA AND INTERSTATE SHIPPING, 1930-31 TO 1934-35.

Heading.	Year ended 30th June—				
	1931.	1932.	1933.	1934.	1935.
Vessels Entered—					
Number	2,166	2,097	2,343	2,393	2,603
Tons	6,161,699	5,996,094	6,688,911	6,791,063	7,435,416
Average tonnage ..	2,845	2,859	2,855	2,838	2,856
Vessels Cleared—					
Number	2,181	2,101	2,296	2,359	2,585
Tons	6,238,325	6,018,664	6,674,138	6,775,019	7,407,121
Average tonnage ..	2,860	2,865	2,907	2,872	2,865

For the twelve months ended 30th June, 1935, steamers numbered 2,602 of the vessels entered, and 2,584 of the vessels cleared, their tonnage aggregating 7,433,573 and 7,405,278 respectively. The inward shipping included 62 vessels in ballast, of an aggregate tonnage of 224,154, whilst the outward shipping included 304 vessels in ballast, having an aggregate tonnage of 557,555.

The more important of the countries having shipping communication with Victoria in 1934-35 are set out in the following statement :—

SHIPPING WITH PRINCIPAL COUNTRIES, 1934-35.

Countries.	Entered.				Cleared.			
	Steamers.		Sailing Vessels.		Steamers.		Sailing Vessels.	
	Number.	Net Tonnage.	Number.	Net Tonnage.	Number.	Net Tonnage.	Number.	Net Tonnage.
Australian States	1,908	4,062,750	..	..	1,886	3,889,893	..	..
United Kingdom	160	1,191,864	..	..	234	1,602,885	..	..
New Zealand	74	237,738	..	..	71	237,889	..	..
India	14	55,106	..	..	7	31,359	..	..
Straits Settlements	20	76,162	..	..	13	44,106	..	..
Other British	103	320,879	..	..	83	271,226	..	..
Total British Countries ..	2,279	5,944,499	..	..	2,294	6,076,858	..	..
Japan	74	316,780	..	..	92	377,559	..	..
Dutch East Indies	31	168,414	..	..	37	198,425	..	..
United States of America ..	87	458,128	..	..	42	263,214	..	..
Other Foreign	131	545,752	1	1,843	119	489,222	1	1,843
Total Foreign Countries	323	1,489,074	1	1,843	290	1,328,420	1	1,843
Grand Total ..	2,602	7,433,573	1	1,843	2,584	7,405,278	1	1,843

The nationality of vessels entered and cleared at Victorian ports for the year 1934-35 was as shown hereunder :—

NATIONALITY OF SHIPPING, 1934-35.

Nationality.	Entered.		Cleared.	
	Vessels.	Net Tonnage.	Vessels.	Net Tonnage.
British—	No.		No.	
Australian	1,615	2,382,417	1,605	2,395,315
United Kingdom	511	3,133,124	505	3,100,704
Canadian	21	76,201	21	76,401
Hong Kong	19	68,162	19	68,619
New Zealand	68	121,928	67	118,986
South African	6	19,244	6	19,244
Other British	8	16,433	9	16,904
Total, British	2,248	5,817,509	2,232	5,796,173

NATIONALITY OF SHIPPING, 1934-35—continued.

Nationality.	Entered.		Cleared.	
	Vessels.	Net Tonnage	Vessels.	Net Tonnage.
Foreign—	No.		No.	
Danish	11	35,901	11	35,919
French	7	33,287	7	33,287
German	50	204,490	51	216,517
Dutch	38	215,150	36	207,521
Italian	23	129,763	23	129,763
Japanese	73	310,864	70	297,794
Norwegian	80	318,070	80	319,441
Swedish	36	138,695	36	135,099
United States of America	35	224,139	35	224,021
Other Foreign	2	7,548	4	11,586
Total, Foreign	355	1,617,907	353	1,610,948
Grand Total	2,603	7,435,416	2,585	7,407,121

Shipping entered at Victorian Ports.

Particulars of shipping—Oversea, Interstate, and Coastwise—which entered at each port of Victoria are given in the following statement for the year ended 30th June, 1935 :—

VESSELS ENTERED AT EACH OF THE VICTORIAN PORTS, 1934-35.

Direction.	Melbourne.		Cunning- hame (Lakes Entrance).		Geelong.		Portland.		Warrnam- bool.	
	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Vessels.	Tonnage.
Oversea—	No.		No.		No.		No.		No.	
Steam	181	632,738	..	..	36	147,039	1	5,029	..	..
Sailing	1	1,843	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Interstate*—										
Steam	2,223	6,274,067	..	..	143	302,046	14	69,935	4	2,719
Sailing .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Oversea <i>via</i> Ports—										
Steam	23	87,395	..	..	33	139,522	2	9,886	..	..
Interstate <i>via</i> Ports—										
Steam	101	222,643	..	..	108	154,219	9	49,021	8	9,011
Local (within the State)—										
Steam	867	394,113	41	8,200	300	134,640	53	17,063	85	22,352
Sailing .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total—										
Steam	3,395	7,610,956	41	8,200	620	877,466	79	150,934	97	34,082
Sailing	1	1,843	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Grand Total	3,396	7,612,799	41	8,200	620	877,466	79	150,934	97	34,082

NOTE.—“Ports” mean Victorian ports.
* Including “Oversea *via* States.”

Cargo discharged and shipped. Statistics relating to the tonnage of cargo discharged and shipped in Victoria during the year ended 30th June, 1935, are shown in the following tables. The first table gives the tonnage of interstate and oversea cargo handled at each port in the State, and the second tabulation shows only the tonnage of oversea cargo discharged and shipped in Victoria according to the nationality of the vessels carrying.

**TONNAGE OF INTERSTATE AND OVERSEA CARGO
DISCHARGED AND SHIPPED AT EACH PORT
DURING THE YEAR 1934-35.**

Port.	Discharged.		Shipped.	
	Interstate.	Oversea.	Interstate.	Oversea.
	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.
Melbourne	1,911,496	1,385,226	836,844	816,204
Geelong	157,956	154,178	49,545	225,666
Portland .. .. .	..	13,813	..	5,810
Warrnambool	9,003	..	4,321	..
Total	2,078,455	1,553,217	890,710	1,047,680

**TONNAGE OF OVERSEA CARGO DISCHARGED AND SHIPPED
IN VICTORIA DURING THE YEAR 1934-35, ACCORDING
TO THE NATIONALITY OF THE VESSELS
IN WHICH SUCH CARGO WAS CARRIED.**

Nationality of Vessels Carrying Cargo.	Tonnage.	
	Discharged.	Shipped.
Australian	18,126	11,309
Great Britain	814,702	436,179
Canadian	51,496	25,679
Hong Kong	45,283	13,276
New Zealand	39,722	34,714
South African	1,790	8,809
Other British	10,715	9,391
Total British	981,834	539,357
Danish	26,333	27,472
French	1,485	8,352
German	28,744	25,853
Dutch	35,922	52,602
Italian	11,686	13,267
Japanese	77,143	263,024
Norwegian	179,934	88,326
Swedish	133,683	6,570
United States of America	76,403	6,529
Other Foreign .. .. .	..	16,328
Total, Foreign	571,333	508,323
Grand Total	1,553,217	1,047,680

PORT OF MELBOURNE.

Port of Melbourne. The Port of Melbourne is under the control of the Melbourne Harbor Trust, which had 11·64 miles of wharfs, piers, and jetties in the River Yarra, Victoria Dock, and Hobson's Bay at 31st December, 1935. The area of these wharfs, &c., is 57·5 acres, of which 28·5 acres are under sheds. Reference to the constitution of the Trust and the revenue and expenditure thereof are shown in part "Municipal Statistics," page 141.

Trade of the Port. In the year 1935 vessels to the number of 3,390 (3,135 steamers and 255 sailing vessels), with registered gross tonnage aggregating 13,384,266, berthed within the Port. The tonnage of imports in 1935 was 3,520,384, and that of exports 1,732,157. These figures include interstate and coastal tonnage, which amounted to 1,952,176 in the case of imports and 851,943 in the case of exports. Coal forms a great part of the interstate imports, and, excluding 57,568 tons transhipped to vessels and 144,726 tons kept on board and landed at Geelong or used for bunkers, the quantity imported during 1935 amounted to 824,486.

POSTS, TELEGRAPHS, AND TELEPHONES.

Post Offices, Mails, &c. The following statement contains particulars in relation to the number of post offices in Victoria, and the number of mails despatched and received in this State in each of the last five years :—

Year ended 30th June—	Number of Post Offices.*	Number of Mails—	
		Despatched.	Received.
1931	2,559	2,396,006	2,331,389
1932	2,548	2,365,756	2,339,447
1933	2,533	2,330,810	2,247,505
1934	2,546	2,337,530	2,253,666
1935	2,536	2,379,271	2,347,651

* Excluding "Telephone" offices at which telegraph and telephone business only is transacted, viz., 1930-31, 260; 1931-32, 258; 1932-33, 261; 1933-34, 257; 1934-35, 255.

Postal Returns.

Particulars relating to the number of letters, packets, and newspapers dealt with during 1933-34 and 1934-35 are given hereunder:—

**NUMBER OF LETTERS, PACKETS, AND NEWSPAPERS
DEALT WITH, 1933-34 AND 1934-35.**

Particulars.	1933-34.			1934-35.		
	Letters, Post-cards, Letter-cards, and Packets.	Newspapers.	Total.	Letters, Post-cards, Letter-cards, and Packets.	Newspapers.	Total.
<i>Posted for delivery—</i>	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
<i>Within the Commonwealth ..</i>	228,112,000	25,914,800	254,026,800	233,604,300	25,772,700	259,377,000
<i>Beyond the Commonwealth—</i>						
<i>Despatched ..</i>	9,181,600	3,392,500	12,574,100	9,248,900	3,609,100	12,858,000
<i>Received ..</i>	7,149,800	2,014,600	9,164,400	7,241,800	2,469,800	9,711,600
<i>Total ..</i>	244,443,400	31,321,900	275,765,300	250,095,000	31,851,600	281,946,600

The number of registered articles posted and received and particulars concerning parcels post, for each of the last five years, are shown below:—

**REGISTERED ARTICLES AND PARCELS POST, 1930-31
TO 1934-35.**

Year ended 30th June—	Registered Articles (Other than Parcels)—				Parcels Post*—			
	Posted for Delivery Within the Commonwealth.	Posted for Delivery Beyond the Commonwealth.	Total Posted in Commonwealth.	Received from Beyond the Commonwealth.	Posted for Delivery Within the Commonwealth.	Posted for Delivery Beyond the Commonwealth.	Total Posted in Commonwealth.	Received from Beyond the Commonwealth.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1931 ..	1,772,144	79,506	1,851,650	133,646	1,788,800	46,200	1,833,000	81,100
1932 ..	1,702,882	47,238	1,750,120	114,448	1,667,800	42,700	1,710,500	62,600
1933 ..	1,719,900	54,718	1,774,618	105,663	1,611,500	41,400	1,652,900	67,800
1934 ..	1,782,416	75,370	1,807,786	106,790	1,636,700	42,400	1,679,100	68,100
1935 ..	1,793,270	85,832	1,879,102	121,163	1,682,600	42,100	1,724,700	71,400

* Including Registered Value payable and Duty Parcels.

Information regarding dead letters is given as follows:—
Dead Letters. During 1934-35 there were 228,813 letters, &c., and 114,089 packets, &c., returned direct to writers or delivered; 39,592 letters, &c., and 33,631 packets, &c., were destroyed in accordance with the Post and Telegraph Act; and 17,215 letters, &c., and 6,234 packets, &c., were returned as unclaimed to other countries. Money and valuables to the amount of £17,734 were found in postal articles sent to the Dead Letter Office as undeliverable. Postal articles numbering 23,421 were posted without address, and money and valuables to the extent of £1,608 were found therein.

The following table shows the total number and value of money orders and postal notes issued and paid in Victoria in each of the last five years :—

MONEY ORDERS AND POSTAL NOTES, 1930-31 TO 1934-35.

Heading.	1930-31.	1931-32.	1932-33.	1933-34.	1934-35.
Number of Money Order Offices open	740	741	742	744	750
Money Orders issued—					
Inland { Number ..	483,730	426,438	429,186	424,295	430,573
.. { Amount ..	2,449,057	2,160,546	2,197,455	2,314,166	2,459,967
Interstate .. { Number ..	75,576	63,751	66,061	70,822	71,964
.. { Amount ..	394,506	336,870	342,422	352,693	355,993
Beyond the monwealth Com- { Number ..	62,930	35,342	37,151	37,334	39,932
.. { Amount ..	262,003	117,104	104,803	106,817	99,193
Total .. { Number ..	622,236	530,531	532,398	532,251	542,469
.. { Amount ..	3,105,571	2,614,520	2,644,680	2,773,676	2,915,158
Money Orders Paid—					
Inland { Number ..	480,379	428,766	431,956	436,293	430,105
.. { Amount ..	2,460,484	2,167,972	2,197,719	2,311,413	2,454,817
Interstate .. { Number ..	127,916	122,443	127,351	129,224	139,211
.. { Amount ..	609,132	548,951	566,044	582,337	639,574
Beyond the monwealth Com- { Number ..	36,540	29,395	26,972	27,251	29,323
.. { Amount ..	125,416	102,049	84,139	85,679	93,681
Total .. { Number ..	644,835	580,604	586,279	592,768	598,639
.. { Amount ..	3,195,032	2,818,972	2,847,902	2,979,429	3,188,072
Postal Notes—					
Issued { Number ..	4,516,951	4,529,707	4,916,564	5,630,980	5,887,709
.. { Amount ..	1,600,160	1,543,392	1,660,113	1,818,211	1,922,979
Paid—Issued with- in the State { Number ..	3,053,663	3,019,162	3,295,818	3,543,767	3,618,801
.. { Amount ..	1,121,683	1,081,211	1,156,571	1,212,473	1,271,285
Paid — Issued in other States in { Number ..	403,930	420,634	488,793	512,038	511,899
.. { Amount ..	156,852	159,769	172,422	181,195	194,462

Of the money orders issued in 1934-35, 502,537 for £2,815,960 were payable in the Commonwealth of Australia, 5,430 for £15,758 in New Zealand, 26,089 for £54,771 in the United Kingdom, and 8,413 for £28,669 in other countries. The orders paid included 569,316 for £3,094,391 issued in the Commonwealth, 13,639 for £33,395 in New Zealand, 11,787 for £48,360 in the United Kingdom, and 3,897 for £11,926 in other countries.

The following statement gives particulars relating to the telegraph business in the Victorian offices during each of the last five years:—

TELEGRAPH BUSINESS, 1930-31 TO 1934-35.

Heading.	1930-31.	1931-32.	1932-33.	1933-34.	1934-35.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Number of Telegraph Offices (including Railway Telegraph Offices)..	2,428	2,426	2,423	2,421	2,427
Telegrams—					
Within the Commonwealth—					
Despatched ..	3,970,104	3,012,693	2,998,849	3,035,083	3,306,432
Beyond the Commonwealth—					
Despatched ..	209,356	202,870	215,591	221,852	230,329
Received ..	196,951	187,894	190,856	196,489	205,261
Total Number of Messages Handled, excluding those transiting the State ..	3,476,411	3,403,457	3,405,296	3,453,424	3,742,022
	£	£	£	£	£
Revenue Credited—					
Telegrams within the Commonwealth ..	197,772	191,834	192,652	203,903	219,874
Telegrams transiting the State	35,269	34,950	36,361	40,890	47,555
Total	233,041	226,884	229,013	244,793	267,429

The connexion of one or more subscribers to a telephone office constitutes an exchange. Information relating to the telephone service in Victoria is given below for the years 1930-31 to 1934-35 :—

TELEPHONES, 1930-31 TO 1934-35.

Heading.	1930-31.	1931-32.	1932-33.	1933-34.	1934-35.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Telephone Exchanges ..	1,652	1,641	1,639	1,648	1,650
Public Telephones ..	2,213	2,199	2,226	2,344	2,408
Lines Connected ..	113,282	110,213	110,386	113,983	121,631
Instruments Connected ..	154,647	151,455	152,693	157,802	168,198
Instruments per 1,000 of Population ..	86·0	83·9	83·9	86·2	91·5

Wireless Licences Issued.

Details of wireless licences issued in Victoria for the years 1931-32 to 1934-35 are shown hereunder. The licences issued to broadcast listeners in Victoria at 30th June, 1935, represented nearly 33 per cent. of the total for Australia at that date, viz., 720,532.

WIRELESS LICENCES ISSUED IN VICTORIA,
1931-32 TO 1934-35.

Class of Licence.	Number of Licences Issued During—			
	1931-32.	1932-33.	1933-34.	1934-35.
Coast	1	1	1	1
Ship	54	60	68	66
Aircraft .. .. .	..	..	..	4
Land	3	3	3	3
Broadcasting *	13	14	15	15
Broadcast Listeners† ..	139,323	170,995	206,995	236,886
Experimental	269	323	329	361
Portable	1	1	5	5
Special	12	11	15	15
Total	139,676	171,408	207,431	237,356

* Exclusive of the two stations operated by the National Broadcasting Service (P.M.G.'s Department).

† Including 321 in 1933-34 and 561 in 1934-35 issued free to blind persons.

Post Office
revenue and
expenditure.

Particulars concerning the revenue and expenditure of the Post and Telegraph Department in Victoria for the years 1930-31 to 1934-35 are contained in the following table:—

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE OF POST AND TELEGRAPH DEPARTMENT IN VICTORIA, 1930-31 TO 1934-35.

Particulars.	1930-31.	1931-32.	1932-33.	1933-34.	1934-35.
Revenue.*					
	£	£	£	£	£
Postage	1,482,526	1,424,107	1,430,699	1,477,455	1,563,197
Money Order Commission	54,774	56,537	55,334	58,945	64,909
Foundage on Postal Notes	12,733	12,304	12,522	12,724	12,862
Private Boxes and Bags	92,834	90,188	122,417	124,688	124,413
Miscellaneous					
Total Postal	1,642,917	1,583,136	1,620,972	1,673,812	1,765,381
Telegraph	261,355	242,195	251,097	263,904	301,898
Radio	63,690	65,545	77,567	118,626	110,328
Telephones	1,598,415	1,555,437	1,595,977	1,647,408	1,749,660
Grand Total†	3,566,377	3,446,313	3,545,613	3,703,750	3,927,267
Expenditure.					
Salaries and Contingencies—					
Salaries	1,717,591	..	..	..	..
Salaries and Payments in the Nature of Salary .. .. .	..	1,239,583	1,199,335	1,250,344	1,261,943
General Expenses .. .. .	..	65,143	56,533	50,269	86,924
Stores and Material .. .. .	..	37,790	35,402	44,450	26,345
Mail Services	272,074	263,612	246,168	234,458	240,381
Engineering Services (other than new works) .. .. .	..	435,240	531,347	500,202	569,881
Contingencies	490,623	..	..	..	..
Miscellaneous	26,070	..	..	..	..
Pensions and Retiring Allowances	46,995	39,845	48,807	37,726	35,653
Rents, Repairs, Maintenance, Fittings, &c.	14,740	14,152	20,660	18,561	27,991
Proportion of Audit Expenses	3,576	2,677	2,699	2,671	2,718
New Works—					
Telegraph, Telephone, and Wireless New Buildings, &c.	274,818	108,943	138,902	246,681	385,293
Interest on Transferred Properties	5,571	113	..	637	34,773
.. .. .	61,362	61,362	61,362	61,362	61,362
Total Expenditure‡	2,913,420	2,318,460	2,341,265	2,447,361	2,733,264

* Including "Central Office" collections.

† Actual collections.

‡ Actual payments.

As a result of a change in the method of classification of expenditure, figures for 1930-31 are not comparable in all respects with those for subsequent years.

TRANSPORT.

Under the provisions of the *Transport Regulation Act 1932*, The Transport Regulation Board was appointed by the Governor in Council on 16th February, 1933, for the purposes of securing the improvement and co-ordination of means of and facilities for locomotion and transport, and of carrying into effect the objects and purposes of the Act.

The Board in its Further (Second) Report dated 21st July, 1933, made a number of recommendations for the better and more economic co-ordination of railway and road motor transport.

Many of the recommendations contained in the Report are embodied in the *Transport Regulation Act 1933*, which was assented to on 31st December, 1933. A *résumé* of the provisions of the Act is given in the *Year-Book* for 1932-33, pp. 326-328. Under this Act the re-constituted board of three members commenced its administration on 1st May, 1934. All operators of commercial goods vehicles and of commercial passenger vehicles coming within the ambit of the Act were called upon to make application for licences.

A very large number of commercial goods vehicles, due to the manner of their use, is exempted from the Board's discretionary powers and are licensed automatically. At 30th June, 1935, 23,974 licences of the various kinds which issue "as of right" were current. These include the following, which are the more important categories of these licences:—

3,630	..	To operate for hire or reward within 25 miles of Melbourne.
88	..	To operate for hire or reward within 25 miles of Ballarat.
102	..	To operate for hire or reward within 25 miles of Bendigo.
182	..	To operate for hire or reward within 25 miles of Geelong.
2,956	..	To operate for hire or reward within 20 miles of the places of business of the owners outside the radius of Melbourne, Ballarat, Bendigo, and Geelong.
13,491	..	Private carriers, the vehicles being used to carry the goods of the owners in the course of trade in connexion with their own businesses.

Simultaneously with the issue of licences as of right, licences were issued pursuant to the provisions of section 54 of Act 4198 in respect of vehicles not eligible for any of the automatic licences. Section 54 provided that operators who were operating prior to 29th August, 1933, were to be authorized to continue operating until their applications for full term licences had been heard and determined by the Board. In practice, this section of the Act was extended by the Board to all applicants for discretionary licences who were bona fide

operating passenger services prior to 31st December, 1933, and goods vehicles at the time the licensing system was set up in July, 1934.

At the same time, the Board commenced to hear applications for full term discretionary licences for the carriage of goods or passengers, i.e., for permanent licences to continue operating vehicles in the manner they had been operated previously.

At 30th June, 1935, the Board had heard 658 applications. Particulars of the decisions made with regard to these applications are shown hereunder:—

Passenger Services—

Applications granted without variation	..	110
Applications granted with variation, i.e., conditioned or modified licences	.. ..	27
Applications withdrawn during hearing	.. ..	14
Applications refused	.. ..	61
Hearing adjourned or decision reserved	.. ..	68
Total	.. ..	280

280

Note.—Of the applications refused in seven cases the applicants did not appear and in twelve cases the applications were for proposed services, i.e., the refusal did not involve the discontinuance of an existing service.

Goods Services—

Applications granted without variation	..	108
Applications granted with variation, i.e., conditioned or modified licences	.. ..	45
Applications converted to licences as of right pursuant to section 22 during the course of hearing	.. ..	24
Applications withdrawn during the course of hearing	.. ..	36
Applications refused	57
Applications adjourned or decision reserved	108
Total	378

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Note.—Of the applications refused, in twenty-four cases the applicants did not appear, and in six cases the applications were for proposed services, i.e., the refusal did not involve the discontinuance of an existing service

Grand Total	658
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The total fees for all licences issued at 30th June, 1935, amounted to £14,996 6s. 3d.

In determining the grant or refusal of an application the Board has, as a result of its investigations, enunciated as a broad guiding principle that road services in direct competition with existing railway services must show a "substantial advantage" over that existing service.

This is regarded only as a broad basis against which are set many counter considerations arising in particular areas or from particular traffic considerations. The outcome, so far as goods vehicles are concerned, is exemplified by the fact that generally applications have been refused where road services proposed to carry general merchandise of the kind which constitutes the main traffic flow, into railway towns, if the railway service to those towns is efficient and sufficient.

Road services may, however, be authorized to carry all of the goods into areas not so served or alternatively to carry particular commodities into railway towns, especially where there are particular circumstances as a result of which there is substantial economical advantage in having those particular commodities transported by road. One outcome is a system of modified licences for road vehicles conditioned as to the commodities which can be carried or the areas which can be served.

On the 30th September, 1935, the *Transport Regulation Act 1935*, was passed, and this has the effect of limiting the Board's powers in the grant or refusal of discretionary licences to recommendation to the Governor in Council only, with whom the final decision rests. In the case of operators who were licensed previously pursuant to section 54 of Act 4198, i.e., who had commenced operating prior to 29th August, 1933, the new Act provides that when the Governor in Council approves of a decision of the Board, refusing an application for licence, the decision of the Board shall have no effect until six months after approval of such decision has been given by the Governor in Council.

RAILWAYS.

**Victorian
Railways,
length and
cost.**

All railways in Victoria available for general traffic, with the two exceptions referred to on page 369, are the property of the State, and are under the management of three Commissioners appointed by the Government.

The succeeding tables relate to the State Railways, the St. Kilda-Brighton and Sandringham-Beaumaris Electric Tramways and the Road Motor Services, all of which are under the control of the Railways Commissioners. The operations of these tramways are also shown separately on page 367. Motive power in the railways is mainly supplied by steam and electric traction. The former is used principally for country passenger and goods traffic, and the latter for passenger traffic on suburban lines. The gauge of the lines is 5 ft. 3 in., with the exception of 121·77 miles (·21 double and 121·56 single) of which the gauge is 2 ft. 6 in.; and 2·42 miles (2·21 miles double and ·21 single) of electric street tramway, the gauge of which is 4 ft. 8½ in. The following table shows the length of double and single lines, the cost of construction, and the average cost per mile at the close of each of the last five years:—

**RAILWAYS, LENGTH AND COST OF CONSTRUCTION,
1930-31 to 1934-35.**

Heading.	Year ended 30th June—				
	1931.	1932.	1933.	1934.	1935.
Length of Lines opened to 30th June—					
Double Lines (miles)	347·30	348·10	348·10	348·10	348·10
Single Lines (miles)	4,426·16	4,429·37	4,429·37	4,429·37	4,429·37
Total	4,773·46	4,777·47	4,777·47	4,777·47	4,777·47
Cost of Construction	£	£	£	£	£
	51,596,501	51,652,961	51,909,677	52,368,113	52,542,779
Average Cost per mile	10,809	10,812	10,865	10,961	10,998

At 30th June, 1935, 103¾ miles of railways were in course of construction, but work on 51½ miles had been suspended, while construction had been indefinitely postponed on 39½ miles already authorized.

Total capital cost of railways and equipment.

The total capital cost of all lines constructed and in course of construction, works, rolling-stock and equipment of the Railways Department as at the end of each of the last five years was as follows:—

**TOTAL CAPITAL COST OF RAILWAYS, ETC., AND
EQUIPMENT, 1930-31 TO 1934-35.**

At 30th June—		Railways.		Electric Tramways.	Road Motor Services.	Total Capital Cost.
		Lines Opened.*	Lines in Progress of Construction.	Lines Opened.		
		£	£	£	£	£
1931	.. ..	74,343,498	438,054	339,325	35,041	75,155,918
1932	.. ..	74,456,021	454,670	339,743	31,665	75,282,099
1933	.. ..	74,747,300	470,087	341,092	28,595	75,587,074
1934	.. ..	75,265,966	473,333	342,208	30,055	76,111,562
1935	.. ..	75,494,806	476,622	343,071	26,926	76,341,425

* Including at 30th June, each year, the cost of surveys for lines not constructed and cost of lines closed for traffic, viz. :—1930-31, £410,770 and £392,124; 1931-32, £409,777 and £390,470; 1932-33, £411,111 and £390,539; 1933-34, £412,439 and £390,189; 1934-35, £413,294 and £389,492.

The loan liability of the Railways Department at 30th June, 1935, is represented by stock and debentures outstanding to the nominal amount of £73,266,789 on which the annual interest *payable* is £2,899,900, or at the average rate of 3·958 per cent. The nominal amount of loans, however, was reduced by £3,319,310—the cost of flotation, together with the discount at time of flotation.

In addition to the proceeds from loans, contributions amounting, at 30th June, 1935, to £5,067,283 (on which no interest is charged) have been made from Consolidated Revenue, the Developmental Railways Account and the National Recovery Loan for capital purposes.

The mileage and the traffic of the railways for each of the years 1930-31 to 1934-35 are given in the following table :—

**RAILWAYS—MILEAGE AND TRAFFIC,
1930-31 TO 1934-35.**

Heading.	Year ended 30th June—				
	1931.	1932.	1933.	1934.	1935.
Miles Constructed ..	4,773·46	4,777·47	4,777·47	4,777·47	4,777·47
" Dismantled ..	37·63	37·63	37·63	37·63	37·63
" Closed to Traffic ..	9·28	11·47	11·47	11·47	11·47
" Open for Traffic ..	4,728·55	4,728·37	4,728·37	4,728·37	4,728·37
Vehicle Mileage ..	16,937,378	16,269,092	16,285,292	16,222,395	16,456,104
Passenger Journeys ..	141,212,373	131,921,679	136,078,269	137,316,780	145,988,129
Goods and Live Stock Carried (Tons)* ..	6,099,310	6,197,393	6,259,427	5,872,806	6,023,724

* Figures relating to Road Motor Services are included as follows :—1930-31, not available; 11,312 tons in 1931-32, 15,081 tons in 1932-33, 14,429 tons in 1933-34, 13,763 tons in 1934-35, not included previously.

The tonnage of goods and live stock carried during 1934-35—6,023,724—increased by 150,918 tons as compared with the amount carried during 1933-34.

Railways receipts and expenditure. The receipts and expenditure of the Railways Department during the last five financial years were as follows:—

**RAILWAYS RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE,
1930-31 TO 1934-35.**

Heading.	Year ended 30th June—				
	1931.	1932.	1933.	1934.	1935.
Receipts—	£	£	£	£	£
Passenger, &c., Business—					
Passenger Fares	3,957,859	3,574,392	3,620,726	3,561,863	3,748,133
Parcels, &c. ..	375,959	336,412	322,231	322,879	318,377
Other ..	112,155	96,017	85,392	79,761	84,171
Goods, &c., Business—					
Goods ..	4,163,987	4,193,187	4,127,696	3,842,578	3,799,956
Live Stock ..	572,658	550,461	590,691	675,450	688,442
Minerals ..	90,185	72,462	68,557	66,913	80,485
Miscellaneous—					
Dining Car and Refreshment Services ..	317,801	276,296	290,301	297,075	318,251
Sale of Electrical Power ..	43,840	27,394	28,595	27,761	66,107
Rentals ..	149,865	139,989	130,000	131,185	134,697
Book Stalls ..	63,972	57,348	58,021	57,922	61,274
Advertising ..	55,425	42,423	41,798	40,865	41,023
Other ..	186,178	164,431	156,862	145,614	157,789
Total ..	10,089,884	9,530,812	9,520,870	9,249,866	9,498,705

RAILWAYS RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE, 1930-31 TO 1934-35—
continued.

Heading.	Year ended 30th June—				
	1931.	1932.	1933.	1934.	1935.
	£	£	£	£	£
Working Expenses—					
Way and Works ..	1,405,588	1,117,846	1,472,198	1,569,939	1,575,799
Rolling-stock ..	2,849,776	2,267,598	2,238,956	2,164,452	2,188,945
Transportation ..	2,435,177	2,035,838	1,978,796	2,004,675	2,097,595
Electrical Engineer- ing Branch ..	273,682	187,805	192,941	187,369	212,429
Stores Branch ..	110,810	88,636	85,389	87,361	94,853
Pensions and Gratuities ..	195,210	159,052	147,199	134,906	127,791
Payment to the Superannuation Fund	230,278	265,848	270,773	289,521	323,807
Other	269,820	278,896	255,672	244,671	242,210
Credit for mainten- ance expenditure charged to Un- employment Re- lief Funds ..	..	..	Cr. 69,135	Cr. 251,104	Cr. 171,939
Total	7,770,341	6,401,519	6,572,789	6,431,790	6,691,490
Net Receipts ..	2,319,543	3,129,293	2,948,081	2,818,076	2,807,215
Interest Charges and Expenses* ..	3,798,107	4,099,643	3,643,877	3,553,195	3,373,665
Deficit for year ..	1,478,564	970,350	695,796	735,119	566,450
Proportion of Work- ing Expenses to Receipts ..	% 77·01	% 67·17	% 69·04	% 69·53	% 70·45

* Including Exchange on Interest Payments in London, viz., 1930-31, £183,863; 1931-32, £440,938; 1932-33, £404,867; 1933-34, £356,285; 1934-35, £301,965.

The receipts for 1934-35 were £248,839 greater than in 1933-34. Passenger business increased by £186,178, and goods, &c., business showed a falling off of £16,058. Working expenses increased by £259,700 as compared with the previous year.

Railways earnings and expenses per mile open.

The earnings, expenses, and net revenue per average mile of railway worked for each of the last five years were as follows:—

RAILWAYS RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE PER AVERAGE MILE OPEN, 1930-31 TO 1934-35.

Heading.	1930-31.	1931-32.	1932-33.	1933-34.	1934-35.
Average Number of Miles Open for Traffic	4,720	4,728	4,728	4,728	4,728
	£	£	£	£	£
Gross Earnings per Mile ..	2,138	2,016	2,014	1,956	2,009
Working Expenses per Mile ..	1,646	1,354	1,390	1,360	1,415
Net Revenue per Mile ..	491	662	624	596	594

This table does not take account of the interest payable on railway loans and expenses of paying the same, which are given in the table on page 365.

Capital cost of Railways Rolling-stock. At 30th June, 1935, the capital cost of the broad-gauge rolling-stock was £14,516,962 (including electrical equipment of Suburban Passenger Coaches, £929,039), of the narrow-gauge £112,558, of the electric street tramway £102,338, and of the road motor coaches and trucks £20,825.

Railways staff. The number of officers and employees in the railway service and the amount of salaries and wages (excluding travelling and incidental expenses) paid in each of the last five financial years were as set forth below:—

RAILWAYS STAFF—NUMBERS, SALARIES, ETC., 1930-31 TO 1934-35.

Year ended 30th June—	Number of Employees at end of Year.			Amount of Salaries and Wages Paid during Year.
	Permanent.	Supernumerary.	Total.	
1931 ..	19,441	2,716	22,157	£ 5,490,927
1932 ..	18,581	2,709	21,290	4,352,872
1933 ..	18,542	3,334	21,876	4,338,284
1934 ..	17,368	3,719	21,087	4,519,183
1935 ..	16,933	4,937	21,870	4,613,492*

Note.—Particulars relating to the Construction Branch employees are not included above.

* Excludes payments on account of staff on loan to other departments.

The numbers for 1930-31, 1931-32, and 1932-33 do not convey an accurate impression of the effective strength of the staff owing to the "rationing system" which was operating for the whole of the two first-mentioned years and until February, 1933.

The results of operating the St. Kilda-Brighton and Sandringham-Beaumaris Electric Tramways for 1934-35 are detailed in the following statement. As these tramways are controlled by the Railways Commissioners, particulars relating to them have been included in all the preceding railway tables.

ELECTRIC STREET TRAMWAYS, 1934-35.
(Under the control of the Railways Commissioners.)

Heading.	St. Kilda-Brighton Electric Tramway.	Sandringham- Beaumaris Electric Tramway.	Total.
Average Mileage of Tramway Worked	5.18	2.42	7.60
Car Mileage	502,735	115,627	618,362
Number of Passengers Carried	4,459,223	1,032,571	5,491,794
	£	£	£
Gross Revenue	45,711	11,783*	57,494
Working Expenses	31,369	6,007	37,376
Interest Charges	9,311†	6,404‡	15,715
Net Result	<i>Profit</i> 5,031	<i>Loss</i> 628	<i>Profit</i> 4,403
Capital Expenditure at 30th June, 1935—			
Construction of Lines	137,624	70,028	207,652
Rolling-stock	68,896	33,443	102,339
Total	206,520	103,471	309,991

* Including £1,716 recouped by the Treasury.

† Including exchange on interest payments and redemptions, £933.

‡ Including exchange and interest payments and redemptions, £641.

The net loss on the Sandringham-Beaumaris Tramway during 1934-35 was actually £2,344, of which £386 was in respect of the Sandringham-Black Rock section, and £1,958 for interest charges and exchange on account of the closed Black Rock-Beaumaris portion of the line as well as expenditure in patrolling the track. This loss, however, is reduced to £628 when allowance is made for the recoup of £1,716 made by the Treasury in respect of the Black Rock-Beaumaris section of the line which was closed for traffic on 31st August, 1931.

Road Motor
Services.

Particulars are given in the following table in relation to the operations during the last three years of the Road Motor Services under the control of the Railways Commissioners:—

ROAD MOTOR SERVICES, 1932-33 to 1934-35.

(Under the control of the Railways Commissioners.)

Heading.	1932-33.	1933-34.	1934-35.
Car Mileage No.	318,159	310,333	301,631
Passenger Journeys	700,199	716,635	757,323
Gross Revenue—	£	£	£
Passenger Service	6,615	6,486	6,958
Goods Service	13,245	12,903	13,160
Working Expenses	20,284	19,316	20,465
Interest Charges*	1,270	1,016	882
Net Result	Loss 1,694	Loss 943	Loss 1,229
Capital Expenditure at end of Year (less depreciation written off)	28,594	30,055	26,926

* Including exchange on interest payments and redemptions, £141 in 1932-33, £112 in 1933-34, and £88 in 1934-35.

Railway
accidents.

The following table shows the number of persons killed or injured in railway accidents and the amount paid in compensation, damages, &c., for the years 1933-34 and 1934-35:—

RAILWAY ACCIDENTS, 1933-34 and 1934-35.

Nature of Accident.	1933-34.		1934-35.	
	Killed.	Injured.	Killed.	Injured.
	No.	No.	No.	No.
Train Accidents—				
Passengers .. ..	..	..	..	..
Employees .. ..	..	1	..	1
Accidents on Line (other than Train Accidents)—				
Passengers	4	75	8	62
Employees	3	43	6	26
Other Persons .. ..	..	..	..	..
Shunting Accidents—				
Passengers .. ..	..	..	..	..
Employees	1	11	1	8
Other Persons	2	6	..	4
Employees proceeding to or from Duty ..	2	..	..	..
Accidents to Persons at Crossings ..	15	23	7	15
Trespassers	22	5	19	5
Total	49	164	41	121
Compensation, Damages, &c., Paid	£ 7,600		£ 7,842	

**Municipal
railway.**

A railway between Kerang and Koondrook, owned and worked by the municipality of the Shire of Kerang, is open for general traffic. This railway, which has a 5-ft. 3-in. gauge, is 13 miles 75 chains in length, and, up to 30th September, 1935, cost £41,619 for construction and equipment. During the year ended 30th September, 1935, the gross receipts were £5,320 and the working expenses, including interest, £6,981. The train mileage for the same year was 13,978, the number of passenger journeys was 5,637, and the tonnage of goods and live stock carried was 12,236.

**Private
railway.**

Another railway in Victoria, not belonging to the State system, is one of 3-ft. gauge and 11 miles in length between Yarra Junction and Powelltown. It was constructed principally for private use, but, in addition to serving its immediate purpose, is engaged in the general business of transportation of passengers and goods. Up to 30th June, 1935, the cost of construction, including about 8 miles of steel tramway continuation beyond Powelltown, was £80,133, and for the year ended on the same date the receipts and working expenses in connection therewith (exclusive of depreciation and interest on capital) were £6,743 and £5,979 respectively. The tramway mentioned is used for haulage of the logs of the company to which the line belongs and of sawn timber of other sawmillers, but not for passenger traffic. The train mileage for the year between Powelltown and Yarra Junction was 13,728, and the passenger journeys numbered 5,148.

TRAMWAYS.

**Victorian
Tramways.**

The various tramway systems in the State (excluding those under the control of the Railways Commissioners) comprise 24·292 miles of cable lines, double track, and 147·987 miles of electric lines, of which 115·572 miles are double, and 32·415 miles single track.

The electric street tramways, St. Kilda to Brighton and Sandringham to Beaumaris, under the management of the Victorian Railways Commissioners, are not referred to in this connexion, being included

under the heading "Railways," page 367, and "All Victorian Tramways," page 374.

The subjoined table contains particulars relating to all tramways in Victoria (with the above exceptions) for each of the last five years:—

VICTORIAN TRAMWAYS, 1930-31 TO 1934-35.

(Exclusive of St. Kilda-Brighton and Sandringham-Beaumaris Electric Street Tramways.)

Financial Year.	Miles of Track Open.		Tram Mileage.	Number of Passenger Journeys.	Traffic Receipts.	Working Expenses.	Number of Rolling-stock.	Number of Persons employed.
	Double.	Single.						
					£	£		
1930-31	138·778	34·458	23,689,735	182,279,131	2,114,368	1,462,025	1,195	4,658
1931-32	139·007	34·226	23,495,393	170,142,285	1,985,281	1,294,070	1,179	4,620
1932-33	139·039	34·196	23,473,262	171,717,081	1,996,160	1,263,132	1,158	4,637
1933-34	139·331	33·222	23,548,465	174,521,455	2,025,870	1,282,175	1,164	4,682
1934-35	139·364	32·415	23,842,327	180,992,273	2,100,836	1,320,256	1,146	4,902

On 7th January, 1919, the Royal Assent was given to the Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Act, which is administered by a Board consisting of seven members appointed by the Governor in Council. The Board has control of all the tramways in the metropolitan area, with the exception of the St. Kilda-Brighton and Sandringham-Beaumaris electric systems, which are managed by the Railways Commissioners.

The Board is empowered to borrow up to £5,500,000 by the issue of stock or debentures secured upon its revenues and undertakings, this being in addition to the transferred liabilities attaching to the tramways vested in it. Power is given to have an overdraft not exceeding £400,000. At 30th June, 1935, the Board had exercised its borrowing power to the extent of £4,950,000.

MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS, 1934-35.

Tramway.	Track Open—		Vehicle Mileage.	Passenger Journeys.	Traffic Receipts.*	Working Expenses.	Rolling Stock.	Persons Employed.
	Double.	Single.						
	Miles.	Miles.	Miles.	No.	£	£	No.	No.
Cable—								
Melbourne	21·972	..	5,021,216	38,947,902	393,234	304,395	485	1,097
Northcote	2·320	..	364,665	2,988,307	28,558	22,107	29	78
Total, Cable ..	24·292	..	5,385,881	41,936,209	421,792	326,502	514	1,175
Electric—								
Eastern system † ..	74·361	3·834	12,296,260	95,450,431	1,175,542	664,952	402	2,345
Northern system ‡ ..	15·544	1·718	2,748,428	23,448,463	262,754	148,627	95	689
Footscray	3·919	·543	404,140	2,970,549	25,089	17,310	15	58
Essendon §	13·215	1·405	1,451,781	9,041,049	138,793	78,508	50	400
Total, Electric ..	107·039	7·500	16,900,609	130,910,492	1,602,178	909,397	562	3,492
Grand Total	131·331	7·500	22,286,490	172,846,701	2,023,970	1,235,899	1,076	4,667
Motor Omnibuses .. ..	..	..	9,881	8,128	817	568	31	..

* Gross revenue from tramways amounted to £2,030,839, and from motor omnibuses to £817.
 † Prahran and Malvern (including St. Kilda and South Melbourne) and Hawthorn tramways.
 ‡ Coburg and Preston tramways.
 § Including " West Brunswick."

Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board for the year 1934-35.—
 The following table contains detailed particulars of the operations of the Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways

Interchange.

In addition to traffic receipts (£2,024,787), there was revenue from advertising, rents, &c., of £1,291 from cable tramways and £5,578 from electric tramways, making a gross revenue for the year of £2,031,656.

The gross surplus on the year's operations, including motor omnibuses, was £795,189. Out of this sum was paid interest on loans, rates, &c., leaving available for appropriation an amount of £491,099. The following appropriations were made:—Consolidated Revenue, £113,724; Renewals Reserve Account, £283,000; Loan Redemption and Sinking Fund Accounts, £93,813; and General Reserve Account, £30,000. The resulting deficit of £29,438 was met by a transfer from the General Reserve Account.

Up to 30th June, 1935, the capital cost of the tramways vested in the Tramways Board, including stores on hand, amounted to £8,207,468, of which £1,320,686 was expended on cable, £6,805,574 on electric tramways, and £81,208 on motor omnibuses.

In the next statement interesting comparisons are made between the cable, electric, and bus systems, the receipts per mile, the cost of working, &c., being shown for the year 1934-35:—

System.	Traffic Receipts.			Percentage of Working Expenses to Total Revenue.	Working Expenses per Vehicle Mile, including Power Cost.	Average Distance per Penny.
	Per Vehicle Mile.	Per Mile of Single Track.	Per Passenger.			
	d.	£	d.	%	d.	Miles.
Cable ..	18·795	8,682	2·414	77·17	14·549	·977
Electric ..	22·752	7,203	2·987	56·56	12·914	·898
Bus ..	19·848	..	24·124	69·54	13·807	..

Metropolitan
Tramways
Traffic.

Particulars in relation to the traffic of the metropolitan tramways for each of the last five years are given in the following statement:—

MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS, 1930-31
TO 1934-35.

Financial Year.	Track Open.		Tram Mileage.	Passenger Journeys.	Traffic Receipts.	Working Expenses.	Rolling-stock.	Persons employed.
	Double.	Single.						
	Miles.	Miles.	Miles.	No.	£	£	No.	No.
1930-31	130·808	8·028	22,181,379	173,854,208	2,035,115	1,369,733	1,127	4,416
1931-32	131·037	7·796	21,918,356	161,917,696	1,907,962	1,211,688	1,111	4,398
1932-33	131·039	7·796	21,920,652	163,687,870	1,920,412	1,184,020	1,090	4,396
1933-34	131·331	7·502	21,991,952	166,447,236	1,949,924	1,196,726	1,096	4,442
1934-35	131·331	7·500	22,286,490	172,846,701	2,023,970	1,235,899	1,076	4,667

The towns, other than the metropolis, having tramway systems are :—Ballarat, with 13·85 miles of electric lines (1·42 double and 12·43 single track); Bendigo, with 7·84 miles of electric lines (2·32 double and 5·52 single track); and Geelong, with 11·76 miles of electric lines (4·79 double and 6·97 single track).

The traffic particulars of these lines for each of the last five years are summarized below :—

COUNTRY TRAMWAYS, 1930-31 TO 1934-35.

Financial Year.	Track Open.		Tram Mileage.	Passenger Journeys.	Traffic Receipts.	Working Expenses.	Rolling-stock.	Persons employed.
	Double.	Single.						
	Miles.	Miles.	Miles.	No.	£	£	No.	No.
1930-31	7·97	26·43	1,508,356	8,424,928	79,253	92,292	68	240
1931-32	7·97	26·43	1,577,037	8,224,589	77,319	82,382	68	222
1932-33	8·00	26·40	1,552,610	8,029,211	75,748	79,112	68	241
1933-34	8·00	25·72	1,556,513	8,074,219	75,946	85,449	68	240
1934-35	8·53	24·92	1,555,837	8,145,572	76,866	84,357	70	235

A summary of the operations for the past two years relating to the foregoing tramway systems and the electric tramways under the control of the Railways Commissioners is given in the following table:—

ALL VICTORIAN TRAMWAYS, 1933-34 AND 1934-35.

Heading.		1933-34.	1934-35.
Route Mileage Open—Double .. miles		146·931	147·254
Single .. miles		33·222	32·625
Total .. miles		180·153	179·879
Cost of Construction and Equipment	£	8,577,877	8,473,908
Interest Payable on Capital Cost of Construction and Equipment ..	£	302,678	277,071
Gross Revenue—			
Traffic Receipts	£	2,073,864	2,156,501
Other	£	9,623	7,237
Total Revenue	£	2,088,487	2,163,738
Working Expenses	£	1,318,233	1,357,626
Other Expenses	£	45,067	49,541
Total Expenses	£	1,363,300	1,407,167
Net Earnings	£	725,187	756,571
Net Profit after Paying Working Expenses and Interest, &c. ..	£	422,509	479,500
Tram Miles Run miles		24,149,066	24,460,689
Passenger Journeys No.		179,754,385	186,484,067
Staff Employed—			
Salaried No.		640	678
Wages No.		4,146	4,317
Total Staff No.		4,786	4,995
Rolling Stock No.		1,197	1,179

LICENSED VEHICLES.

The licensing and regulating of vehicles used as hackney carriages plying for hire within the City of Melbourne and within the distance of eight miles from the corporate limits of the City of Melbourne are controlled by the Melbourne City Council.

Licensed
vehicles in
Melbourne.

The details of vehicles licensed during 1934-35 were as follows:—
(a) For passenger traffic—waggonettes (4-wheel), 63; hansom cabs, 5; motor cars (taxi cabs, &c.), 750; motor omnibuses, 183; and motor charrs-a-bancs, 27; and (b) for conveyance of goods within the corporate limits of the City of Melbourne only—drivers licensed, 1,408.

A detailed statement of the fees chargeable for the registration of motor vehicles, &c., is given in the *Year-Book* for 1928-29, page 500.

The total registrations of motor vehicles, &c., and the revenue received therefrom by the Motor Registration Branch of the Police Department during each of the five years, 1930-31 to 1934-35, are shown in the following table:—

REGISTRATIONS OF MOTOR VEHICLES, ETC.,
1930-31 TO 1934-35.

Heading.	1930-31.	1931-32.	1932-33.	1933-34.	1934-35.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Motor Cars—					
Private	116,568	117,160	124,609	130,495	140,483
Commercial	27,068	24,968	28,612	30,849	32,781
Hire					
Motor Cycles	23,635	22,568	23,439	24,248	24,968
Omnibuses	960	831	847	198	224
Traction Engines	126	107	171	200	223
Side-cars	3,438*	*	*	*	*
Trailers	673	857	1,310	1,040	2,179
Drivers' and Riders' Licences	228,051	226,712	235,613	245,847	260,288
Dealers' Licences	293	250	272	305	339
Transfers	38,565	34,935	43,711	56,669	75,994
Duplicates	4,088	3,759	7,456	13,444	10,202
Total Revenue Received†	£ 1,106,011	£ 1,098,035	£ 1,185,474	£ 1,261,128	£ 1,369,235

* Separate registration discontinued since 18th December, 1930.

† These amounts, less cost of collection and refunds, and the amount received on account of motor drivers' and riders' licences, have been paid to Country Roads Board Fund.

The principal items of revenue received during 1934-35 were on account of:—Private cars, £873,718; commercial vehicles, £352,613; hire vehicles, £28,363; motor cycles, £28,759; and drivers' and riders' licences, £65,107.

In the next statement details relating to new registrations and renewals of registration of motor cars and motor cycles are shown for the years 1933-34 and 1934-35 respectively.

NEW REGISTRATIONS AND RENEWALS OF REGISTRATION OF MOTOR CARS AND MOTOR CYCLES.

Vehicles.	1933-34.			1934-35.		
	New Registrations.		Renewals of Registration.	New Registrations.		Renewals of Registration.
	New Vehicles.	Used Vehicles.		New Vehicles.	Used Vehicles.	
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Motor Cars—						
Private	6,804	16,713	106,979	10,617	14,639	115,217
Commercial and Hire	2,598	5,628	25,089	3,252	4,839	26,893
Motor Cycles	2,023	5,550	16,675	2,406	4,957	17,605

AIRCRAFT.

The collection and compilation of aircraft statistics was undertaken by the Commonwealth Bureau of Census and Statistics on 1st July, 1922.

The following particulars relating to Civil Aircraft in Victoria for the years specified below have been received from that source.

CIVIL AIRCRAFT—VICTORIA.

Particulars.	1922-23.	1928-29.	1931-32.	1933-34.	1934-35.
Registered Owners (a)	9	20	33	30	24
Registered Aircraft (a)	20	56	63	49	44
Licensed Pilots—					
Private (a)	(b) 12	49	93	110	150
Commercial (a) .. .. .	.. .. .	47	53	54	54
Licensed Ground Engineers (a)	(c) 21	(f) 85	82	85	96
Aerodromes—					
Government (a)	(d)	(d)	(d)	2	2
Public (a)	(d)	(d)	(d)	19	20
Government Emergency Grounds (a)	(d)	(d)	(d)	11	11
Flights carried out	2,151	21,010	20,699	25,588	20,686
Hours flown	685	6,180	6,345	6,287	6,621
Approximate Mileage	41,132	424,702	440,296	504,132	446,180
Passengers Carried—					
Paying	1,419	12,502	14,048	20,834	11,873
Non-paying	684	3,126	2,222	1,845	2,600
Total Passengers Carried	2,103	15,628	16,270	22,679	14,473
Goods, Weight Carried, lb.	40	42,869	3,709	20,207	5,240
Mails Carried .. .. .	.. .. .	(e) 7,872	.. .. .	(e) 633	(e) 2,571
Accidents—					
Persons Killed .. .. .	.. .. .	2	4	.. .. .	3
Persons Injured .. .. .	.. .. .	2	5	1	2

(a) At 30th June; (b) Certificated Pilots; (c) Other Staff; (d) Not Available; (e) Number of Letters; (f) At 15th January, 1930.

TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS IN VICTORIA, 1935.

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Cause of Traffic Accident.	Total Number of Accidents.			Number of Persons Affected.				Total Number Killed and Injured.	
	Metro- politan Area.	Remainder of State.	Total.	Metropolitan Area.		Remainder of State.			
				Killed.	Injured.	Killed.	Injured.		
Vehicles—									
Bicycle	244	50	294	4	219	3	50	276	
Motor Bus	108	20	128		29	1	3	33	
Motor Car	14,084	2,989	17,073	170	4,254	129	1,596	6,149	
Motor Cycle	395	79	474	13	275	6	92	386	
Train	17	22	39	10	7	13	8	38	
Tram (Cable and Electric)	197	1	198	11	146		1	158	
Other Vehicles	77	29	106	4	46	10	16	76	
Pedestrian—									
Pedestrian	1		1		1			1	
Horses—									
Bolting	6	2	8	1	4		3	8	
Led	1		1		1			1	
Ridden	13	9	22	4	8	3	6	21	
Improper riding upon or getting on or off trams or other vehicles in motion*	248	35	283	14	145	13	24	196	
Total Traffic Accidents— (Vehicle, Horse, and Improper Riding)	15,143	3,201	18,344	217	4,990	165	1,775	7,147	
							Total.		
							Killed.	Injured.	Total Killed and Injured.
Ages of Persons killed or injured—							No.	No.	No.
Under 10 years							31	255	286
10 to 14 years							15	141	156
Over 14 years							336	6,369	6,705
Total							382	6,765	7,147

*These figures are included in those shown above. † Of the 15,143 traffic accidents shown above, 4,126 occurred in the City of Melbourne, 11,017 in the Suburbs, and 3,201 in the Country Districts; and 12,728 occurred during the hours of daylight.

Traffic Accidents. The Police Department has tabulated a return of the traffic accidents (vehicle, horse, and improper riding) known to the Police, which occurred in the public streets of Victoria during the calendar year 1935. Details showing total accidents, and number of persons killed and injured, are as follows:—

Interchange.

A comparative statement of the number of persons killed or injured in traffic accidents which occurred during each of the last five years is given below :—

**TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS IN VICTORIA—NUMBER OF PERSONS
KILLED OR INJURED, 1931 TO 1935.**

Cause of Accident.	1931.		1932.		1933.		1934.		1935.	
	Killed.	Injured.	Killed.	Injured.	Killed.	Injured.	Killed.	Injured.	Killed.	Injured.
Bicycle	No. 7	No. 120	No. 5	No. 122	No. 10	No. 146	No. 10	No. 189	No. 7	No. 269
Motor Bus .. ..	..	3	1	3	2	21	2	47	1	32
Motor Car	232	3,345	213	3,353	217	4,340	254	5,744	209	5,850
Motor Cycle	40	327	40	350	21	318	19	515	19	367
Train	24	45	23	12	34	36	32	32	23	15
Tram	10	71	7	131	8	113	15	202	11	147
Other Vehicle*	18	121	17	96	11	73	13	67	14	62
Pedestrian .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Horses	2	10	5	24	13	35	4	16	8	22
Total	333	4,042	311	4,090	316	5,082	349	6,812	382	6,765

* Figures for the year 1931 include "Improper riding upon, or getting on or off, trams or other vehicles in motion." For 1932, 1933, 1934, and 1935, accidents of this nature are included under the heading to which the accident relates.