

STATISTICAL SUMMARY OF VICTORIA FROM 1836 TO 1890 INCLUSIVE.

Main statistical table with columns for Year, Population (Persons, Males, Females), Births, Deaths, Marriages, Emigrants, General Revenue, General Expenditure, Crown Land Sales, Land in Cultivation, Live Stock (Horses, Cattle, Sheep, Pigs), Postage, Shipping (Inwards, Outwards), Vessels Built, Vessels Registered, Mortgages and Liens, Imports, Exports, and Wool. Includes sub-sections for Hides and Skins, and Flour, Bread, and Biscuits.

Table with columns for Year, Gold Raised, Public Debt, Government Expenditure (Roads, Bridges, Melbourne, Country, Other Public Works), Railways, Electric Telegraphs, Banks of Issue, Savings Banks, Friendly Societies, Cities, Towns, and Boroughs, Shires and Districts, Manufacturing Works, Mining and Chalmers, Churches and Chapels, Schools (Public and Private), Melbourne University, and Number of Persons (Taken into Custody, Committed after Commitment, Executed).

Figures revised and corrected since last publication. * Prior to 1871 the expenditure was for the year ending 31st December. The figures for 1871 are therefore for the six months ending 30th June, and the figures for subsequent years are for the twelve months ending 30th June. The amounts since 1874 are not, for the first time, exclusive of receipts and expenditure to be recouped. In addition to the quantity of land sold and amount realized within the year, the figures under the head 'Crown Land Sales' represent, during each of the years after 1888, the total extent of, and amount paid on, lands purchased under deferred payments of which the payments were completed within the year, although such payments had extended over a series of years. The extent sold, of which the purchase had not been completed, is not included in the area sold. The amount, at the end of 1880, of 6,097,174 acres. Lands granted without purchase, which amounted up to the end of 1880 to 16,000 acres, are also excluded. * Since the year 1884, a considerable quantity of wool has each year been imported into Victoria across the Murray, from the Riverina district of New South Wales, for transport by railway to Melbourne and shipment thence. The year 1882 no record of the quantity so transported has been kept by the Customs. The extent of such imports of wool, valued at 297,000, crossed the Murray into Victoria in the year 1870, and the following amounts in the years terminated—1871, 565,956 lbs., valued at 22,790,446 lbs.; 1872, 812,913 lbs., valued at 31,745,500 lbs.; 1873, 855,823 lbs., valued at 31,875,871 lbs.; 1874, 403,581 lbs., valued at 22,809,000 lbs.; 1875, 474,380 lbs., valued at 22,089,000 lbs.; 1876, 577,619 lbs., valued at 22,790,446 lbs.; 1877, 89,808 lbs., valued at 3,251,117 lbs.; 1878, 108,287 lbs., valued at 4,038,275 lbs.; 1879, 148,275 lbs., valued at 5,428,730 lbs.; 1880, 185,275 lbs., valued at 6,728,010 lbs.; 1881, 235,275 lbs., valued at 8,682,275 lbs.; 1882, 285,275 lbs., valued at 10,636,525 lbs.; 1883, 335,275 lbs., valued at 12,590,775 lbs.; 1884, 385,275 lbs., valued at 14,545,025 lbs.; 1885, 435,275 lbs., valued at 16,499,275 lbs.; 1886, 485,275 lbs., valued at 18,453,525 lbs.; 1887, 535,275 lbs., valued at 20,407,775 lbs.; 1888, 585,275 lbs., valued at 22,362,025 lbs.; 1889, 635,275 lbs., valued at 24,316,275 lbs.; 1890, 685,275 lbs., valued at 26,270,525 lbs. * The figures of flour, bread, and biscuit imported and exported are reduced to their equivalent in bushels, on the assumption that one bushel of wheat produces 45 lbs. of either of those articles. * The details and deaths given for 1836 are all of which there is any record; but it is known that the figures considerably understate the truth, and it is supposed that each in reality amounted to not less than 5,000. The deficiency has chiefly arisen from the fact that the system of registering births and deaths was entirely changed during the year 1836, and the new system was not at first properly understood. In consequence of this, and also owing to the unsettled state of the goldfield population, it is known that many children born were neither baptized nor registered, and many persons who died were buried without registration on funeral certificates. * Post cards were first issued in April, 1870; they are included with the letters in this column. Inland postage on letters reduced from 3d. to 1d. on 1st January, 1880.