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APPENDIX.

(Recent information and returns which have come to hand since the various chapters were sent to press are given hereunder.)

CHAPTER III.—GENERAL GOVERNMENT.

§ 1. Scheme of Parliamentary Government.

Number and Salary of Members of the Legislatures, p. 61.—The following table shows the number and annual salaries of ordinary members in each of the legislative chambers at 31st December, 1948.

MEMBERS OF COMMONWEALTH AND STATE PARLIAMENTS, AND ANNUAL SALARIES, 31st DECEMBER, 1948.

Members in—	Commonwealth.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W.Aust.	Tasmania.	Total.
NUMBER OF MEMBERS.								
Upper House ..	(a) 36	60	34	(b) 62	20	30	19	199
Lower House ..	(a) 75	90	65	(c) 62	39	50	30	411
Total ..	(a) 111	150	99	62	59	80	49	610
ANNUAL SALARY.								
Upper House ..	£ 1,500	£ 300	£ 750	£ 900-975	£ 960	£ 800-1,050	..	..
Lower House ..	(d) 1,500	(j) 1,375	(f) 1,050	(k) 1,050	(g) 900-975	(h) 960	(i) 850-1,050	..

(a) Representation Act 1948 provided for the increase in numbers of the Senate to 60 and of the House of Representatives to 121 (excluding 2 members for the Territories) to take effect after the next general elections. (b) Abolished in 1922. (c) Electoral Districts Act of 1949 provided for an increase in the number of members and electorates to 75, to apply from beginning of Thirty-second Parliament (in ordinary course of events to be elected in 1950). (d) Increased from £1,000 as from July, 1947. (e) From September, 1948. (f) Increased from £350 and £650 as from July, 1948. Plus £100 for other than metropolitan electorates. (g) According to distance of electorate from Adelaide. Increased from £600 as from September, 1948. (h) Increased as from October, 1947 from £600 plus basic wage adjustment. Plus £50 where electorate is more than 50 miles from Perth. (i) According to area of electorate and distance from the Capital. Increased from £370-£500 and £400-£500 as from August, 1948. (j) Increased from £875 as from July, 1947. (k) Increased from £850 as from July, 1948.

§ 2. Parliaments and Elections.

The Commonwealth Government, p. 62.—The Representation Act 1948 (assented to on 18th May, 1948) provides for the increase in the numbers of members of the Senate from 36 (six from each State) to 60 (ten from each State), thereby enabling an increase to be made in the numbers of the House of Representatives from 74 to 121, excluding the member for the Northern Territory and the member for the Australian Capital Territory (provision has been made in the Australian Capital Territory Representation Act 1948 for the election of a member with similar powers and privileges to those enjoyed by the member for the Northern Territory). The numbers of members in the

House of Representatives for the individual States will be: New South Wales, 47; Victoria, 33; Queensland, 18; South Australia, 10; Western Australia, 8; Tasmania, 5; Australian Capital Territory, 1; and Northern Territory, 1. The increase in numbers will be effected in the new Parliament after the next general elections.

Commonwealth Referenda, p. 64.—On 29th May, 1948 a referendum was taken to decide whether power should be granted to the Commonwealth Government to control rents and prices (including charges). The results showed a majority in each State against the proposal. Particulars were as follows:—

CONSTITUTION ALTERATION (RENTS AND PRICES) REFERENDUM, 29th MAY, 1948.

State.	Yes.	No.	Informal.	Total.
New South Wales	723,183	1,012,639	26,269	1,762,091
Victoria	559,361	693,937	16,739	1,270,037
Queensland	187,955	422,236	7,487	617,678
South Australia	167,171	229,438	6,169	402,778
Western Australia	105,605	168,088	4,589	278,282
Tasmania	50,437	91,845	2,853	145,135
Total	1,793,712	2,618,183	64,106	4,476,001
Percentage(a)	40.66	59.34	..	..

(a) Excludes informal votes.

Parliamentary Retiring Allowances Act 1948.—On 21st December, 1948 an act to provide for contributory retiring allowances for ex-members of the Commonwealth Parliament was assented to. The act operates from 1st December, 1948 and applies only to present and future members. It provides for the establishment of a trust, constituted by the Treasurer, two senators and two members of the House of Representatives, and a fund, from which all benefits will be paid, to consist of contributions and repayments of members and ex-members of Parliament, payments by the Commonwealth and income from investments. Principal benefits payable are as follows:—

- (i) To a member *not* retiring voluntarily—(a) with service not less than eight years and having reached the age of 45 years, or if not, on reaching that age—a pension of £8 per week for life; (b) with service less than eight years—refund of contributions plus a payment equal to one and a half times the contributions paid (the “Commonwealth supplement”).
- (ii) To a member retiring voluntarily—(a) with service not less than twelve years and having reached the age of 45 years—a pension of £8 per week for life; (b) in any other case—refund of contributions.
- (iii) To a widow of a member or ex-member—a pension of £5 per week for life, but ceasing on re-marriage; or the sum of the contributions paid and the Commonwealth supplement less any amounts of pensions received by, or accrued to, the deceased person before death.

In cases where the period of service is longer than eight years, the Commonwealth supplement is one and a half times the contributions paid during the last eight years.

Contributions to the fund by members are at the rate of £156 per annum, and the Commonwealth will pay into the fund an amount equal to 60 per cent. of each pension payment and an amount equal to the Commonwealth supplement payable to any person.

The Parliament of Victoria.—*Parliamentary Contributory Retirement Fund Act 1946*, p. 68. The Parliamentary Contributory Retirement Fund Act 1948 amended the original act, *inter alia*, by increasing the amount deducted from a member's salary from £1 to £2 per fortnight, and by extending the scope of the scheme regarding payments to widows of members.

The Parliament of Queensland.—*Constitution*, p. 68. Under the Electoral Districts Act of 1949 the number of members in the Queensland Parliament, and the number of electorates, were increased from 62 to 75. These increases are to apply from the beginning of the Thirty-second Parliament which, in the ordinary course of events, will be elected in 1950. The Act divided the State into four zones; Zone 1, the "Metropolitan Zone", is divided into 24 electoral districts returning 24 members, Zone 2, the "South-Eastern Zone" into 28 districts returning 28 members, Zone 3, the "Northern Zone", 13 districts and members, and Zone 4, the "Western Zone", 10 districts and members. A commission of three, to be appointed by the Governor-in-Council, will completely distribute the prescribed zones into the number of electoral districts prescribed by the Act. In doing this the Commissioners are to consider community or diversity of interest, means of communication, physical features, and boundaries of Petty Sessions Districts and of areas of Local Authorities.

Parliamentary Contributory Superannuation Fund Act 1948. This Act provides for the establishment of a fund from which annuities and refunds of contributions will be paid in respect of Members of the Legislative Assembly who die or cease to be members on or after 1st January, 1949. The rates of annuity vary, depending on length of service, from £5 to £7 per week. Qualifications in an ex-member for an annuity are service for at least nine years, payment of contributions amounting to not less than £200, and attainment of the age of 60 years (50 years if defeated on re-election, not selected to stand, or able to produce other sound reasons for resigning or not seeking re-election).

Persons otherwise qualified for an annuity, but who have not paid at least £200 in contributions, may become entitled by payment into the fund of the amount deficient. Provision exists for annuities to widows of annuitants and qualified members at two-thirds of the weekly rate appropriate to the length of service of the husband. Members, or the widows of members, unable to qualify for an annuity are entitled to a refund of contributions. The Contributory Superannuation Fund is financed by (i) payments of £4 per fortnight from each member, (ii) monthly payments by the Treasurer of amounts equal to the contributions paid or payable during each month, and (iii) such additional sums as may be necessary each year.

The Parliament of South Australia.—*Parliamentary Superannuation Act 1948.* Under this Act provision is made for the establishment of a fund for payment of superannuation pensions in respect of persons who have served as Members of Parliament who die or cease to be members after the passing of the Act. The rate of pension payable is dependent on length of service—£250 per year in respect of 12 years, plus £20 per year for each complete additional year of service up to a maximum of £370 per year. Qualifications for entitlement of an ex-member to a pension include service for at least twelve years, attainment of 50 years of age, payment of contributions amounting to at least £351 and fulfilment of certain conditions in the event of resigning before, or retiring after, expiration of his term. A person not having paid the requisite amount to the fund, but otherwise qualified, may become entitled to a pension by paying in the deficient amount. Pension rates for widows are three-fifths of the annual rate appropriate to the husband's service. Refunds of contributions are provided for in respect of members who retire or die with less than twelve years' service. Contributions to the fund comprise (i) payments by members at the rate of £58 10s. per year, (ii) monthly payments by the Treasurer of sums equal to the contributions paid or payable each month, and (iii) such additional sums as may be necessary each year.

The Parliament of Western Australia.—*Particulars of Elections*, p. 70. The number of electors enrolled for the 1948 Legislative Council elections were 60,874 males and 25,985 females, total 86,859. The number of electors who voted in contested electorates were: males, 20,709 (43.00 per cent.); females, 7,862 (35.32 per cent.); total, 28,571 (40.57 per cent.).

Members of Parliament Fund Act 1941-1944, p. 70. This Act was repealed by the Parliamentary Superannuation Act 1948, which provides for the payment on loss of membership of a pension in place of the lump sum payable under the repealed act. Contributions to the Parliamentary Superannuation Fund are at the rate of £48 per annum. To become eligible for a pension, a member must have served at least seven years, any period for which deductions were made under the repealed act counting as service. Where a contributor has completed not less than fourteen years' service and deductions have been made accordingly, the pension is at the rate of £6 per week for ten years and thereafter £3 per week for a further ten years. If the deductions were for less than fourteen years, the benefit is five-sixths of these rates. Where a member has served not less than seven years, with corresponding deductions, the pension is £3 per week for ten years, but if the period of deductions is less than seven years the benefit is £2 10s. per week for ten years. Where service has been for less than seven years, provision exists for refund of contributions plus interest. The widow of an ex-member is eligible for a pension at half the rate for which the contributor had qualified, except that, where a contributor dies while still a member, the pension for the first five years is two-thirds of the relevant ex-member rate.

The Parliament of Tasmania.—*Particulars of Elections*, p. 71. The numbers of electors enrolled for the 1948 House of Assembly elections were 79,544 males and 81,544 females, a total of 161,088 persons. Those who voted in contested electorates numbered 74,697 males (93.91 per cent.) and 73,891 females (90.61 per cent.), a total of 148,588 persons (92.24 per cent.). At the last contested elections for the Legislative Council, in 1947 and 1948, there were, respectively, 12,545 and 21,762 electors on the roll, 10,102 and 17,800 votes recorded and the percentages of enrolled electors who voted 80.53 and 81.79.

§ 3. Administration and Legislation.

Governors-General and Ministries, p. 72.—Recent changes in the Commonwealth Ministry are as follows:—

(c) SECOND CHIFLEY GOVERNMENT, FROM 1ST NOVEMBER, 1946.

DEPARTMENTS.	MINISTERS.
Previously <i>Minister for Supply and Shipping</i> now <i>Minister for Shipping and Fuel</i>	<i>Senator The Hon. W. P. Ashley</i> (N.S.W.).
Previously <i>Minister for Munitions</i> now <i>Minister for Supply and Development</i>	<i>Senator The Hon. J. I. Armstrong</i> (N.S.W.).

State Ministers, pp. 74 and 75.—Recent changes in the Victorian, Queensland, Western Australian and Tasmanian Ministries are as follows:—

VICTORIA (7th December, 1948).

Premier and Treasurer—

THE HON. T. T. HOLLWAY.

Minister of Transport, Minister in Charge of Electrical Undertakings, and a Vice-President of the Board of Land and Works—

COLONEL THE HON. W. S. KENT
HUGHES, M.V.O., O.B.E., M.C., E.D.

Attorney-General and Solicitor-General—

THE HON. T. D. OLDHAM.

Minister of Agriculture, Minister of Forests, and a Vice-President of the Board of Land and Works—

LIEUT.-COLONEL THE HON. A. H.
DENNETT.

Commissioner of Public Works and a Vice-President of the Board of Land and Works—

THE HON. J. A. KENNEDY, M.L.C.

Minister in Charge of Housing, Minister in Charge of Materials, and Minister in Charge of State Development—

THE HON. A. G. WARNER, M.L.C.

Chief Secretary—

LIEUT.-COLONEL THE HON. W. W.
LEGGATT, D.S.O., M.C., E.D.

Minister of Public Instruction—

BRIGADIER R. W. TOVELL, C.B.E.,
D.S.O., E.D.

President of the Board of Land and Works, Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey, and Minister of Soldier Settlement—

THE HON. R. C. GUTHRIE.

Minister of Water Supply and Minister of Mines—

THE HON. H. E. BOLTE.

Minister of Health—

THE HON. C. P. GARTSIDE, M.L.C.

Minister of Labour—

THE HON. A. E. McDONALD, M.L.C.

QUEENSLAND (15th May, 1947).

As from 17th March, 1949, another Cabinet Minister was appointed, making the new total of eleven Ministers. Changes in portfolios were as follows:—

Secretary for Public Lands and Irrigation—

THE HON. T. A. FOLEY.

Secretary for Mines and Immigration—

THE HON. W. M. MOORE.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA (1st April, 1947).

Premier, Treasurer and Minister for the North-West—

THE HON. D. R. McLARTY, M.M.

Minister for Education, Local Government and Industrial Development—

THE HON. A. F. WATTS.

Minister for Housing, Forests and Native Affairs—

THE HON. R. R. McDONALD, K.C.

Minister for Lands and Labour—

THE HON. L. THORN.

Chief Secretary and Minister for Mines and Police—

THE HON. H. S. W. PARKER, D.S.O.,
M.L.C.

Minister for Works and Water Supply—

THE HON. V. DONEY.

Attorney-General and Minister for Health and Fisheries—

THE HON. A. V. R. ABBOTT.

Minister for Railways and Transport—

THE HON. H. S. SEWARD.

Honorary Minister for Supply and Shipping—

THE HON. A. F. G. CARDELL-OLIVER.

Honorary Minister for Agriculture—

THE HON. G. B. WOOD, M.L.C.

TASMANIA (25th February, 1948.)

<i>Premier, Minister for Education and Minister administering Hydro-Electric Commission Act—</i>	<i>Minister for Lands and Works and Minister for Mines—</i>
THE HON. R. COSGROVE.	THE HON. E. E. REECE.
<i>Attorney-General—</i>	<i>Chief Secretary—</i>
THE HON. R. F. FAGAN.	THE HON. A. J. WHITE.
<i>Treasurer and Minister for Transport—</i>	<i>Honorary Ministers—</i>
THE HON. J. L. MADDEN.	THE HON. E. R. A. HOWROYD (Minister for Forests and Minister controlling the Tourist and Immi- gration Department).
<i>Minister for Agriculture and Agricultural Bank—</i>	THE HON. R. J. TURNBULL (Minister for Health).
THE HON. J. J. DWYER, V.C.	THE HON. C. B. AYLETT (Minister for Housing).

§ 5. Cost of Parliamentary Government, pp. 87-8.

The cost of Parliamentary Government, Commonwealth and individual States, for the years 1946-47 and 1947-48 was as follows :—

COST OF PARLIAMENTARY GOVERNMENT.

Year.	C'wealth.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
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TOTAL.

	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1946-47 ..	800,542	346,970	145,532	171,460	114,360	143,957	77,970	1,800,791
1947-48 ..	905,476	335,006	192,063	158,258	123,412	173,073	71,956	1,959,244

PER HEAD OF POPULATION.

	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
1946-47 ..	2 2	2 4	1 5	3 2	3 7	5 9	6 2	4 9
1947-48 ..	2 4	2 3	1 10	2 10	3 9	6 10	5 6	5 2

The amounts expended under the major headings for all Governments during 1946-47 were :—Governor-General or Governor, £129,181; Ministry, £120,348; Parliament, £1,028,887; Electoral, £511,205. Corresponding figures for 1947-48 were :—£134,546, £146,318, £1,227,547, and £424,020.

§ 6. Government Employees.

Australia, 1948, p. 89.—The number of Government employees in Australia in June, 1948 was as follows :—

GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES : AUSTRALIA, JUNE, 1948.

Commonwealth Government.			State Government and Semi-Government Bodies.			Local Government Authorities.			Total.		
Males.	Fe-males.	Per-sons.	Males.	Fe-males.	Per-sons.	Males.	Fe-males.	Per-sons.	Males.	Fe-males.	Per-sons.
130,420	38,375	168,795	306,835	52,563	359,398	56,808	3,946	60,754	494,063	94,884	588,947

CHAPTER IV.—LAND TENURE AND SETTLEMENT.

§ 9. Settlement of Returned Service Personnel : 1939-45 War.

War Service Land Settlement Scheme, p. 115.—At 31st December, 1948 an area of 8,313,511 acres had been submitted by the several States for land settlement. Of this, 6,549,220 acres had been approved by the Commonwealth for acquisition, and 5,471,770 acres had actually been acquired by the States. The acreages and holdings allotted to ex-servicemen by the States at 31st December, 1948 were as follows :—New South Wales, 3,337,825 (901); Victoria, 349,583 (801); Queensland, 80,973 (104); South Australia, 19,444 (99); Western Australia, 348,587 (208); Tasmania, nil; total, 4,136,412 (2,113).

§ 12. Alienation and Occupation of Crown Lands.

Summary, p. 128.—The alienation and occupation of crown lands in each State and Territory at 31st December, 1947, were as follows :—

ALIENATION AND OCCUPATION OF CROWN LANDS : AUSTRALIA, 31st DECEMBER, 1947.

State or Territory.	Private Lands.				Crown Lands.				Total Area. '000 Acres.
	Alienated.		In Process of Alienation.		Leased or Licensed.		Other.		
	'000 Acres.	%	'000 Acres.	%	'000 Acres.	%	'000 Acres.	%	
New South Wales(a)	51,439	25.97	14,909	7.53	114,973	58.06	16,716	8.44	198,037
Victoria ..	29,599	52.62	3,045	5.41	8,676	15.43	14,926	26.54	56,246
Queensland ..	22,655	5.28	5,118	1.19	354,433	82.60	46,914	10.93	429,120
South Australia ..	12,542	5.16	1,352	0.55	136,025	55.92	93,326	38.37	243,245
Western Australia ..	20,208	3.24	12,060	1.93	217,229	34.78	375,082	60.05	624,588
Tasmania ..	6,080	36.24	388	2.31	2,718	16.20	7,592	45.25	16,778
Nor. Territory(a) ..	457	0.14	..	..	154,202	46.01	180,458	53.85	335,117
Aust. Cap. Terr. ..	58	9.65	48	7.99	304	50.58	191	31.78	601
Australia ..	143,038	7.51	36,929	1.94	988,560	51.93	735,205	38.62	1,903,732

(a) At 30th June.

CHAPTER V.—TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATION.

A. SHIPPING.

§ 2. Oversea Shipping and § 5. Interstate Shipping.

Summary of Movements, pp. 131, 137-9.—The following tables summarize oversea and interstate shipping arrivals in the several States during each of the years 1946-47 and 1947-48:—

OVERSEA AND INTERSTATE SHIPPING : VESSELS AND TONNAGE ENTERED.

State of Entry.	Steam.						Sailing.					
	Oversea.						Oversea.				Total Entered.	
	Direct.		Via Other States.		Interstate.(a)		Direct and via other States.		Interstate.(a)			
	Ves-sels.	Net Tonnage.	Ves-sels.	Net Tonnage.	Ves-sels.	Net Tonnage.	Ves-sels.	Net Tonnage.	Ves-sels.	Net Tonnage.	Ves-sels.	Net Tonnage.
1946-47.												
N.S.W.	424	1,749,885	258	1,264,498	1,133	3,040,541	3	2,697	3	487	1,821	6,058,108
Vic. ..	192	894,409	274	1,381,270	1,116	2,556,115	4	642	93	11,985	1,679	4,844,421
Qld. ..	156	634,468	94	475,257	338	728,121	8	245	2	50	598	1,838,141
S. Aust.	116	489,894	148	725,076	635	1,870,267	..	..	12	951	911	3,086,188
W. Aust	279	1,337,260	6	30,742	255	1,164,591	..	..	1	166	541	2,532,759
Tas. ..	14	62,235	31	156,020	627	728,751	..	..	79	9,728	751	956,734
N. Terr.	6	14,476	3	8,123	14	28,291	..	..	..	..	23	50,890
Total	1,187	5,182,627	814	4,040,986	4,118	10,116,677	15	3,584	190	23,367	6,324	19,367,241
1947-48.												
N.S.W.	445	1,698,424	361	1,810,744	1,131	2,977,110	9	253	2	310	1,948	6,486,841
Vic. ..	234	1,059,003	382	1,929,382	1,106	2,676,685	6	974	118	13,678	1,846	5,679,722
Qld. ..	193	657,970	146	730,573	305	586,537	5	54	1	8	650	1,975,142
S. Aust.	136	585,067	207	1,097,725	664	1,961,973	3	4,761	14	1,203	1,024	3,650,729
W. Aust.	396	1,903,511	17	77,243	323	1,394,213	2	2,603	3	436	741	3,378,006
Tas. ..	30	143,478	40	190,554	587	756,705	..	..	130	15,366	787	1,106,103
N. Terr.	14	26,818	1	31	16	24,703	..	..	..	..	31	51,552
Total	1,448	6,074,271	1,154	5,836,252	4,132	10,377,926	25	8,645	268	31,001	7,027	22,328,095

(a) Includes oversea vessels on interstate voyages.

§ 6. Tonnage of Cargo.

Oversea and Interstate Cargo, pp. 140-1.—The tables hereunder show particulars of oversea and interstate cargo discharged in and shipped from each State during each of the years 1946-47 and 1947-48 :—

TONNAGE OF CARGO DISCHARGED AND SHIPPED.

State.	Discharged.				Shipped.			
	Oversea.		Interstate.		Oversea.		Interstate.	
	Tons Weight.	Tons Meas.	Tons Weight.	Tons Meas.	Tons Weight.	Tons Meas.	Tons Weight.	Tons Meas.
1946-47.								
	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.
New South Wales ..	1,410	653	2,867	322	1,205	573	3,119	275
Victoria	1,334	455	2,061	239	581	459	578	285
Queensland ..	354	79	392	295	372	83	410	139
South Australia ..	433	152	1,376	215	607	93	2,609	202
Western Australia	554	46	226	177	309	135	118	90
Tasmania ..	80	9	347	304	23	14	420	268
Northern Territory	6	..	9	13	..	..	10	14
Total ..	4,171	1,394	7,278	1,565	3,097	1,357	7,264	1,273
1947-48.								
	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.
New South Wales ..	1,563	938	2,740	368	1,493	424	3,242	352
Victoria	1,651	596	2,194	172	965	420	555	210
Queensland ..	485	114	276	277	409	60	411	143
South Australia ..	541	182	1,446	186	900	105	2,397	197
Western Australia ..	624	78	252	163	720	185	78	73
Tasmania ..	98	8	389	313	40	42	413	285
Northern Territory	20	..	8	5	5	9	13	1
Total ..	4,982	1,916	7,305	1,484	4,532	1,245	7,109	1,261

B. RAILWAYS.

§ 1. General.

Summary of Operations, p. 152.—The following table gives a summary of the operations of all Government railways open for general traffic during the years 1946-47 and 1947-48:—

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS: SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS.

Particulars.	C'wealth.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W.Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
1946-47.								
Mileage open (route)								
30th June, 1947	miles	2,201	6,128	4,748	6,566	2,547	4,348	641
Capital cost ..	£ mil.	18.3	157.2	53.8	41.1	31.0	27.1	3.1
Cost per mile ..	£	8,299	25,658	11,323	6,259	12,162	6,224	4,915
Gross Revenue ..	£'000	1,099	31,153	13,577	11,033	4,593	4,046	893
Gross revenue per train-mile ..	£'000	148. 6d.	168. 7d.	178. 6d.	138. 8d.	158. 3d.	128. 3d.	78. 11d.
Working expenses ..	£'000	1,224	25,886	12,916	10,191	5,045	4,424	1,253
Working expenses per train-mile ..	£'000	168. 2d.	138. 9d.	168. 8d.	128. 7d.	168. 9d.	138. 5d.	118. 2d.
Net revenue ..	£'000	-125	5,267	661	842	-452	-378	360
Net revenue per train-mile ..	£'000	-18. 8d.	28. 10d.	10d.	18. 1d.	-18. 6d.	-18. 2d.	-38. 3d.
Interest ..	£'000	338	5,126	1,840	1,440	1,013	1,033	100
Train-miles run ..	'000	1,513	6 37,500	15,539	6 16,145	6,010	6,594	2,245
Passenger journeys ..	'000	222	261,644	170,165	34,188	19,827	13,879	3,253
Goods, etc. carried ..	'000 tons	343	17,594	7,562	5,750	3,215	2,577	896
1947-48.								
Mileage open (route)								
30th June, 1948	miles	2,201	6,128	4,725	6,560	2,547	4,348	614
Capital cost ..	£ mil.	18.5	165.8	54.4	41.5	31.5	27.5	3.0
Cost per mile ..	£	8,404	27,063	11,520	6,327	12,359	6,324	4,773
Gross revenue ..	£'000	1,237	37,706	16,322	11,532	5,079	4,562	958
Gross revenue per train-mile ..	£'000	158. 6d.	198. 4d.	198. 5d.	158. 6d.	168. 7d.	128. 10d.	88. 8d.
Working expenses ..	£'000	1,439	31,015	15,225	10,641	5,947	5,545	1,455
Working expenses per train-mile ..	£'000	188. 0d.	158. 11d.	188. 1d.	148. 4d.	198. 5d.	158. 7d.	138. 2d.
Net revenue ..	£'000	-202	6,691	1,097	891	-868	-983	-497
Net revenue per train-mile ..	£'000	-28. 6d.	38. 5d.	18. 4d.	18. 2d.	-28. 10d.	-28. 9d.	-48. 6d.
Interest ..	£'000	317	5,145	1,862	1,431	1,001	1,046	112
Train-miles run ..	'000	1,602	6 38,958	16,819	14,883	6,134	7,111	2,212
Passenger journeys ..	'000	217	263,047	182,209	29,325	19,067	13,928	2,974
Goods, etc. carried ..	'000 tons	423	18,518	8,440	5,523	3,560	2,858	817

(a) Includes Commonwealth proportion of Grafton-South Brisbane Line.

(b) Estimated.

C. TRAMWAYS.

Summary of Operations, p. 168.—The following table is a summary of the operations of all electric tramways in Australia during the years 1946-47 and 1947-48:—

ELECTRIC TRAMWAYS: SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS.

Mileage open (route) 30th June.	Capital Cost.	Gross Revenue.		Working Expenses.		Interest.	Car-miles Run.	Passenger Journeys.
		Total.	Per Car-mile.	Total.	Per Car-mile.			
Miles.	£'000.	£'000.	d.	£'000.	d.	£'000.	'000.	Mil.
1946-47.								
614	27,067	11,210	30.72	9,495	26.02	628	87,581	986.5
1947-48.								
606	27,293	12,456	34.11	11,392	31.19	654	87,650	943.1

F. MOTOR VEHICLES.

Motor Vehicles on the Register, p. 175.—Motor vehicles registered and licences in force at 30th June, 1947 and 1948, and gross revenue derived during the years 1946-47 and 1947-48, were as follows:—

MOTOR VEHICLES : REGISTRATIONS AND REVENUE.

(Excluding Defence Service Vehicles.)

State or Territory.	Motor Vehicles Registered at 30th June.(a)					Gross Revenue Derived from—				
	Motor Cars.(b)	Commercial Vehicles.(c)	Motor Cycles.	Total.	Per 1,000 of Population at 30th June.	Drivers' and Riders' Licences in force at 30th June.	Vehicle Registration and Motor Tax.	Drivers' and Riders', etc., Licences.	Other Sources.	Total.
1946-47.										
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	£	£	£	£
N.S.W. ..	200,320	114,712	25,172	340,204	113.95	568,949	2,525,036	293,946	152,279	2,971,261
Vic. ..	157,461	111,263	26,203	294,927	143.50	437,924	1,912,432	109,495	130,896	2,152,823
Q'land ..	73,993	72,687	11,567	158,247	143.05	204,833	899,600	86,290	97,009	1,082,899
S. Aust. ..	65,252	32,693	11,646	109,591	169.59	148,414	629,300	89,882	11,305	730,487
W. Aust. ..	32,879	31,932	8,199	73,010	145.23	94,574	357,305	31,879	44,352	433,536
Tas. ..	18,493	9,047	3,611	31,151	121.15	38,022	222,286	19,011	40,045	281,342
Nor. Terr. . .	320	2,491	179	2,990	275.17	2,672	4,146	1,424	..	5,570
A.C.T. ..	1,682	821	135	2,638	156.05	4,377	12,127	2,066	115	14,308
Total ..	550,400	375,646	86,712	1,012,758	133.59	1,499,765	6,562,232	633,993	476,001	7,672,226
1947-48.										
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	£	£	£	£
N.S.W. ..	215,332	128,849	30,076	374,257	123.71	598,512	2,786,932	307,233	416,205	3,510,370
Vic. ..	171,203	121,097	29,143	321,443	153.75	470,971	2,119,859	117,758	217,901	2,455,518
Q'land ..	77,936	79,782	13,391	171,109	151.78	221,497	972,589	86,515	195,243	1,254,347
S. Aust. ..	70,672	35,641	14,265	120,578	183.24	159,003	683,067	78,058	27,232	788,357
W. Aust. ..	35,596	35,001	8,877	79,474	154.23	103,438	609,219	36,849	50,827	696,895
Tas. ..	19,905	10,239	4,101	34,245	130.52	40,388	245,107	20,194	48,255	313,556
Nor. Terr. . .	592	2,513	149	3,254	261.20	2,880	6,090	1,379	..	7,469
A.C.T. ..	1,841	950	194	2,985	158.96	4,705	14,431	2,308	135	16,874
Total ..	593,077	414,072	100,196	1,107,345	143.62	1,601,394	7,437,294	650,294	955,798	9,043,386

(a) Excludes (1947-48 figures in parentheses) trailers, 45,771 (52,996), road tractors, etc., 4,508 (5,814) and dealers' plates, 2,983 (3,573). (b) Includes taxis and hire cars. (c) Includes lorries, vans, buses and utility trucks. (d) Includes vehicles registered as primary producers' vehicles.

New Vehicles Registered, p. 177.—New vehicles registered during the years 1946-47 and 1947-48 were as follows:—

NEW MOTOR VEHICLES REGISTERED.

(Excluding Defence Service Vehicles.)

Vehicles.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.(b)	W.A.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Total.
1946-47.								
Motor Cars	8,005	6,136	2,763	2,175	1,352	741	65	21,237
Commercial Vehicles, etc.	5,603	(a) 4,643	2,728	1,530	1,118	667	28	16,317
Motor Cycles	2,850	1,683	1,138	1,397	673	472	7	8,220
Total	16,458	12,462	6,629	5,102	3,143	1,880	100	45,774

1947-48.

Motor Cars	16,800	12,170	4,785	4,357	2,971	1,541	121	42,745
Commercial Vehicles, etc.	9,427	(a) 9,354	4,252	2,604	1,987	1,084	61	28,769
Motor Cycles	4,451	3,480	1,958	2,697	1,059	621	42	14,308
Total	30,678	25,004	10,995	9,658	6,017	3,246	224	85,822

(a) Includes vehicles registered as primary producers' vehicles.

(b) Excludes Northern Territory.

H. AVIATION.

Statistical Summary, p. 195.—The following table gives a summary of civil aviation in Australia in 1946-47 and 1947-48:—

CIVIL AVIATION : REGULAR INTERNAL SERVICES.

Year.	Registered Aircraft Owners. (a)	Registered Aircraft. (a)	Pilots' Licences. (a)		Hours Flown.	Approx. Mileage.	Passengers Carried.	Weight of Goods Carried.	Gross Weight Mails Carried.	Accidents.	
			Private.	Commercial.						Killed.	Injured.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	'000 miles.	No.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	No.	No.
1946-47	323	643	(b) 600	(c) 499	170,138	24,485	871,471	24,436	941	15	17
1947-48	334	670	614	(d) 495	229,767	33,814	1,222,459	54,556	1,015	13	27

(a) At 30th June. (b) At 1st April, 1948. (c) In addition, there were licences for 939 student pilots, 341 1st class airline transport pilots, 25 2nd class and 372 3rd class. (d) In addition, there were licences for 1,114 student pilots, 361 1st class airline transport pilots, 35 2nd class and 360 3rd class.

The following is a summary of the operations of Australian and international oversea services to and from Australia during the years 1938-39 and 1944-45 to 1947-48 :—

CIVIL AVIATION : OVERSEA SERVICES.

Particulars.			1938-39.	1944-45.	1945-46.	1946-47.	1947-48.
Route miles ..	No.	6,985	15,969	(a) 10,471	19,459	36,099	
Hours flown ..	"	12,686	11,561	22,645	32,633	39,488	
Miles flown ..	'000	1,736	1,789	4,265	5,921	7,555	
Paying passengers ..	No.	5,350	8,137	15,702	31,055	41,124	
Paying passenger-miles	'000	7,335	14,708	32,905	75,225	122,678	
Freight—							
Actual tons ..	tons	6	70	152	349	660	
Ton-miles ..	'000	(b)	168	406	978	2,630	
Mail—							
Actual tons ..	tons	(b)	264	564	465	638	
Ton-miles ..	'000	(b)	730	2,032	2,112	3,408	

(a) Excludes Perth-Karachi Lancastrian service, now incorporated in route Sydney-Karachi via Singapore.
(b) Not available.

I. POSTS, TELEGRAPHS AND TELEPHONES.

§ 1. General to § 5. Telephones.

Summary of Operations, pp. 196-216.—The following table is a summary of the operations of the Postmaster-General's Department during the year 1946-47 :—

POSTMASTER-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT : SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS, 1946-47.

State.	Gross Revenue.	Expenditure.	Postal Matter Handled.				Money Orders Issued, Value.	Postal Notes Issued, Value.	Telegrams Dispatched.	Telephones.	
			Letters, Cards.	News-papers, Pac-kets.	Par-cels.	Regis-tered Arti-cles.				Lines Con-nected. (a)	Instru-ments Con-nected. (a)
	£'000.	£'000.	mil.	mil.	mil.	mil.	£'000.	£'000.	No.	'000.	'000.
N.S.W. . . .	11,822	10,388	397.0	98.8	7.7	8.8	12,809	4,009	12,031	253	353
Vic.	8,730	7,572	280.9	50.6	5.6	5.0	6,218	3,090	7,984	203	287
Q'land . . .	4,119	4,024	126.2	28.6	3.4	2.9	4,285	989	6,076	83	114
S. Aust. . .	2,427	2,229	79.7	12.0	1.9	1.3	1,745	714	3,286	56	78
W. Aust. . .	1,845	1,663	60.1	14.0	1.3	1.2	1,796	498	3,400	34	48
Tas.	859	861	46.2	6.3	0.4	0.7	1,065	236	952	19	25
Aust.	29,802	23,724	990.1	210.3	20.3	19.9	27,918	9,536	33,729	648	905

(a) At 30th June, 1947.

(b) Includes £5,987,000 Central Office expenditure.

§ 6. Radio Telegraphy and Telephony, p. 216.

Radio-communication Stations Authorized.—A change has been made in the arrangement of the statistics of the different classes of the wireless licences issued by the Postmaster-General's Department for stations in the States and Territories of the Commonwealth, the new particulars referring to "stations authorized" instead of "licences issued". The change has been made necessary mainly because of the need for inclusion of certain stations authorized in recent times, but for which licences have not been issued (e.g. stations established by the Postmaster-General's Department, services conducted by the Administration of Papua—New Guinea and aeronautical stations of the Department of Civil Aviation). Another factor in the change is that, in a number of instances, single licences have been issued for a group of stations. Figures representing

stations authorized for use in ships and in aircraft are shown separately as totals for the Commonwealth and Territories combined, because it is no longer practicable to classify them according to States, etc., as hitherto. Figures relate to radio-communication (radio telegraph and radio telephone) stations only; particulars of broadcasting stations and of broadcast listeners are shown in the two tables following.

RADIO-COMMUNICATION STATIONS AUTHORIZED.

State for which Authorized.	Class of Station.									Grand Total.
	Transmitting and Receiving.					Receiving only.			Total.	
	Aero-nautical. (a)	Coast. (b)	Land. (c)	Mobile (general). (d)	Miscellaneous.	Land. (e)	Mobile (general). (d)	Total.		

30TH JUNE, 1947.

New South Wales	8	1	143	452	14	618	87	36	123	741
Victoria	4	1	79	200	2	286	200	122	322	608
Queensland	14	6	159	37	2	218	11	67	78	296
South Australia	6	1	81	42	3	133	..	..	..	133
Western Australia	12	5	141	22	1	181	28	6	34	213
Tasmania	5	1	21	8	3	38	..	..	..	38
Nor. Terr.	5	1	85	18	..	109	..	..	..	109
Aust. Cap. Terr.	1	..	5	23	1	30	..	2	2	32
Total, Australia	55	16	714	802	26	1,613	326	233	559	2,172
Papua	1	1	29	19	..	50	..	..	..	50
New Guinea	3	3	45	6	..	57	..	..	..	57
Grand Total	59	20	788	827	26	1,720	326	233	559	2,279

30th JUNE, 1948.

New South Wales	8	1	176	499	33	717	72	36	108	825
Victoria	4	1	122	351	11	489	202	132	334	823
Queensland	14	6	201	127	9	357	29	82	111	468
South Australia	6	1	99	58	4	168	..	..	..	168
Western Australia	12	5	180	71	7	275	28	7	35	310
Tasmania	5	1	27	9	3	45	..	..	..	45
Nor. Terr.	5	1	92	29	..	127	..	..	..	127
Aust. Cap. Terr.	1	..	5	43	1	50	..	2	2	52
Total, Australia	55	16	902	1,187	68	2,228	331	259	590	2,818
Papua	1	2	43	21	..	67	..	..	..	67
New Guinea	3	6	64	..	..	73	..	..	..	73
Grand Total	59	24	1,009	1,208	68	2,368	331	259	590	2,958

(a) Ground stations (aeradio stations) for communication with aircraft stations. (b) Ground stations for communication with ship stations. (c) Stations established at fixed locations on land for the conduct of point-to-point services and for communication with mobile stations. (d) Stations installed in motor vehicles and small harbour vessels not falling within the definition of ship stations or aircraft stations, and stations comprising small portable apparatus used for various purposes. (e) Excludes 87 (168) aircraft stations and 219 (345) ship stations 1947 (1948).

Broadcast Licences.—The following tables show the number of broadcast licences issued at 30th June, 1947 and 1948.

BROADCAST LICENCES ISSUED.

State in which Issued.	Class of Licence.					Experi- mental.
	Broadcasting.		Broadcast Listeners'.			
	National Stations.	Commercial Stations.	One Receiver.	More than one Receiver.		
30TH JUNE, 1947.						
New South Wales	7	35	640,406	35,519	680	
Victoria (a)	7	19	475,215	24,729	658	
Queensland(b) (a)	9	20	221,345	6,721	237	
South Australia	3	8	164,995	15,376	214	
Western Australia (a)	6	10	114,798	6,351	155	
Tasmania	3	8	57,577	4,097	68	
Northern Territory	1	..	528	10	15	
Australian Capital Territory	1	1	3,412	168	9	
Total	37	101	1,678,276	92,971	2,036	
30TH JUNE, 1948.						
New South Wales	7	35	646,976	48,526	906	
Victoria (a)	7	19	469,437	35,669	796	
Queensland(b) (a)	9	20	230,028	9,314	273	
South Australia	3	8	175,232	21,104	261	
Western Australia (a)	6	11	120,240	8,463	171	
Tasmania	3	8	57,568	5,512	91	
Northern Territory	1	..	967	23	13	
Australian Capital Territory	1	1	3,522	235	13	
Total	37	102	1,703,970	128,846	(c)2,536	

(a) Includes Short Wave Stations : Victoria, 3 ; Queensland, 1 ; Western Australia, 1. (b) Includes Papua. (c) Includes 12 licences in external territories.

CHAPTER VI.—EDUCATION.

§ 3. State Schools, § 4. Private Schools and § 9. Technical Education.
Returns for Year 1946, pp. 229, 232-5 and 249.—The following table gives a summary of State, Private and Technical schools in each State for the year 1946 :—

EDUCATION : SUMMARY, 1946.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	N. Ter.	Aust.
State Schools—								
Schools .. No.	2,686	2,336	1,541	786	582	335	5	8,271
Teachers ..	11,869	9,019	5,275	2,935	2,304	1,332	19	32,753
Net enrolment ..	369,928	210,755	138,825	73,916	a 58,987	33,805	595	886,811
Average weekly enrolment ..	336,615	201,037	134,142	70,503	58,987	32,462	595	834,341
Average daily attendance ..	291,358	179,755	112,572	64,429	53,411	28,987	546	731,058
Net Expenditure—								
Maintenance .. £'000	6,162	3,920	2,267	1,234	1,083	560	10	15,236
Buildings ..	570	377	149	152	138	116	2	1,504
Total ..	6,732	4,297	2,416	1,386	1,221	676	12	16,740
Private Schools—								
Schools .. No.	728	493	235	145	166	58	2	1,827
Teachers ..	5,479	2,998	1,685	884	771	332	8	12,157
Enrolment ..	111,770	84,379	37,679	16,310	18,204	7,966	253	276,561
Average attendance ..	97,428	82,039	34,512	14,443	16,909	7,175	220	252,726
Technical Schools—								
Schools .. No.	36	32	12	20	10	7	..	117
Teachers ..	2,362	2,291	293	504	291	319	..	6,060
Students ..	49,952	41,942	11,912	16,175	9,750	4,207	..	133,938
Total Expenditure .. £'000	791	921	158	146	98	102	..	2,216

(a) Average weekly enrolment.

§ 6. Universities.

Teaching and Research Staff, etc., pp. 236-8.—The following table gives a summary of the University statistics for the year 1947 :—

UNIVERSITIES : SUMMARY, 1947.

Particulars.	University—						University Colleges.		Total.
	Syd- ney.	Mel- bourne.	Q'land.	Ade- laide.	W.A.	Tas.	New Eng- land.	Can- berra.	
Teaching and Research Staff—									
Professors	49	34	20	24	14	14	..	..	155
Other	579	523	305	217	133	45	59	29	1,892
Total Students ..	9,986	9,127	3,811	4,608	1,704	741	227	273	30,477
Commonwealth Reconstruction Training Students ..	4,065	4,129	1,584	1,486	621	288	54	174	12,401
Degrees Conferred ..	1,079	806	201	277	180	57	..	..	2,600
Receipts—General Activities—	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Government Grants ..	238	233	124	112	87	45	37	18	894
Total	595	478	230	225	110	57	54	21	1,770
Extra Activities ..	124	220	49	49	64	18	..	3	527
Expenditure—General Activities—									
Administration ..	54	52	23	11	12	7	7	3	169
Teaching	481	362	165	165	81	33	20	10	1,317
Total	634	566	232	228	124	59	54	14	1,911
Extra Activities ..	103	195	45	47	57	14	..	3	464

CHAPTER VII.—PUBLIC JUSTICE.

§ 1. Lower (Magistrates') Courts, § 2. Superior Courts and § 3. Civil Courts.

Convictions for Serious Crime, etc., pp. 268-271, 274 and 276.—The following table gives a summary of convictions at Magistrates' and Superior Courts, and for drunkenness, petitions for divorce, nullity of marriage and judicial separations, and decrees made absolute for the year 1947 :—

MAGISTRATES', SUPERIOR AND CIVIL COURTS, 1947.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.Ter.	A.C.T.	Aust.
Convictions for serious crime at Magistrates' Courts ..	14,626	5,028	a 2,241	a 1,579	2,441	937	(a) 99	139	27,090
Committals to Superior Courts	3,148	1,783	(a) 433	(a) 405	208	100	(a) 11	31	6,119
Convictions at Superior Courts	a 1,297	785	(a) 270	246	102	64	(a) 48	15	2,827
Drunkenness Convictions ..	67,324	14,850	a 17,258	a 4,908	4,250	436	(a) 348	279	109,653
Rate per 10,000 Population ..	225.5	72.3	155.1	75.2	84.5	16.9	307.8	165.0	144.4
Divorce—Petitions	4,128	1,959	953	734	808	287	7	22	8,868
Decrees made absolute (b) ..	3,821	2,291	933	690	814	210	7	25	8,791

(a) Year ended 30th June following.

(b) Includes nullity of marriage.

CHAPTER VIII.—PUBLIC BENEVOLENCE, ETC.

B. THE LARGER CHARITIES OF AUSTRALIA.

§ 1. Public Hospitals (other than Mental Hospitals).

Number, Staff, pp. 287-8.—The following table gives a summary of details relating to Public Hospitals in each State for the year 1946-47 :—

PUBLIC HOSPITALS : SUMMARY, 1946-47.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W.Aust.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Total.
Hospitals .. No.	227	89	120	59	85	23	1	604
In-patients treated during year .. No.	298,031	105,311	158,415	52,388	55,611	30,635	3,097	703,488
Inmates at end of year ..	11,965	5,382	5,640	2,170	2,118	1,207	104	28,586
Average daily resident ..	12,745	5,439	5,519	2,273	2,093	1,106	92	29,267
Revenue—	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Government aid	3,096	1,752	1,669	567	696	283	41	8,104
Commonwealth hospital benefits ..	669	546	526	184	210	99	10	2,244
Fees ..	946	600	215	131	129	80	5	2,106
Public subscriptions ..	224	649	5	66	26	10	..	980
Total ..	5,071	3,734	2,456	1,067	1,072	487	57	13,944
Expenditure—								
Salaries and wages ..	3,069	1,674	1,276	510	446	279	26	7,280
Buildings ..	213	87	56	62	20	12	2	452
Total ..	5,265	3,505	2,468	1,064	1,057	484	57	13,900

C. SOCIAL SERVICES BENEFITS.

§ 1. Age and Invalid Pensions; § 2. Child Endowment, § 3. Widows' Pensions and § 4. Maternity Allowances.

General, pp. 298-303.—The following table gives a summary of age and invalid and widows' pensions, child endowment and maternity allowances for the year 1947-48 :—

SOCIAL SERVICES : SUMMARY, 1947-48.

Particulars.	N.S.W. (a)	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust. (b)	W.Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
Age and Invalid Pensions—							
Age Pensions in force .. No.	123,763	78,057	40,806	27,370	22,210	10,648	302,854
Invalid Pensions in force ..	33,110	15,165	11,808	5,558	4,387	3,045	73,073
Amount paid in Pensions .. £'000	15,061	9,145	5,253	3,142	2,566	1,359	36,526
Child Endowment—							
Family claims in force .. No.	233,826	148,249	89,882	50,058	42,634	21,700	c 586,415
Endowed children ..	407,368	251,145	169,060	84,539	75,186	42,375	c1,029,777
Amount paid .. £'000	7,603	4,842	3,105	1,606	1,449	820	(c) 19,426
Widows' Pensions—							
Pensions in force .. No.	17,233	11,259	6,576	3,781	2,719	1,457	43,025
Children for whom pensions paid ..	7,764	3,990	2,870	1,308	1,131	669	17,732
Amount paid .. £'000	1,583	1,022	581	339	242	137	3,904
Maternity Allowances—							
Claims paid .. No.	68,116	46,027	27,920	15,856	12,553	7,074	(d) 177,566
Amount paid .. £'000	1,090	744	451	255	200	114	2,854

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory.
66 claims and 104 children abroad, amount paid, £801.

(b) Includes Northern Territory.

(c) Includes
(d) Includes 20 claims paid abroad.

§ 5. Commonwealth Unemployment and Sickness Benefits.

Statistics, pp. 305-6.—The following table shows the number of persons in each State admitted to benefit during the year, and on benefit at the end of the year, 1947-48 :—

UNEMPLOYMENT AND SICKNESS BENEFITS : PERSONS ADMITTED TO AND ON BENEFIT, 1947-48.

State.	Unemployment.		Sickness.		Special.		Total.		
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Persons.
ADMITTED TO BENEFIT, 1947-48.									
N.S. Wales(a) ..	3,234	282	20,006	5,999	1,082	320	24,322	6,601	30,923
Victoria ..	971	58	12,742	4,363	1,736	607	15,449	5,028	20,477
Queensland ..	20,262	965	8,273	1,961	422	100	28,957	3,026	31,983
Sth. Australia(b)	231	3	5,753	1,316	114	38	6,098	1,357	7,455
W. Australia ..	2,393	78	4,826	1,396	586	219	7,805	1,693	9,498
Tasmania ..	184	1	2,347	504	58	44	2,589	549	3,138
Total ..	27,275	1,387	53,947	15,539	3,998	1,328	85,220	18,254	103,474

ON BENEFIT, 30TH JUNE, 1948.

N.S. Wales(a) ..	298	41	2,855	939	290	211	3,443	1,191	4,634
Victoria ..	65	1	1,757	749	71	99	1,893	849	2,742
Queensland ..	1,102	71	1,155	322	43	73	2,300	466	2,766
Sth. Australia(b)	19	1	742	198	15	31	776	230	1,006
W. Australia ..	206	6	570	206	26	39	802	251	1,053
Tasmania ..	28	..	347	100	13	38	388	138	526
Total ..	1,718	120	7,426	2,514	458	491	9,602	3,125	12,727

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory.

(b) Includes Northern Territory.

The following table shows the amounts paid and the average weekly payment per beneficiary in each class of benefit in each State during 1947-48, and also the Australian totals for 1945-46 to 1947-48 :—

UNEMPLOYMENT AND SICKNESS BENEFITS : PAYMENTS, 1947-48.

State.	Unemployment.		Sickness.		Special.		Total.	
	Amount.	Average Weekly Payment per Beneficiary.	Amount.	Average Weekly Payment per Beneficiary.	Amount.	Average Weekly Payment per Beneficiary.	Amount.	Average Weekly Payment per Beneficiary.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
N.S. Wales(a) ..	60,499	1.70	302,987	1.56	14,434	1.14	377,920	1.56
Victoria ..	16,639	1.98	209,128	1.61	20,018	1.32	245,785	1.60
Queensland ..	248,357	1.79	103,521	1.38	9,604	1.45	361,482	1.64
Sth. Australia(b)	4,038	1.48	79,110	1.56	3,702	1.34	86,850	1.54
W. Australia ..	37,192	1.70	58,255	1.47	6,149	1.32	101,596	1.53
Tasmania ..	2,904	1.70	38,326	1.62	2,611	1.03	43,841	1.57
Total 1947-48	369,629	1.77	791,327	1.54	56,518	1.27	1,217,474	1.59
.. 1946-47	910,822	1.87	711,364	1.63	27,939	1.37	1,650,125	1.75
.. 1945-46	525,070	1.91	525,869	1.81	4,273	0.73	1,055,212	1.85

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory.

(b) Includes Northern Territory.

CHAPTER XI.—TRADE.

NOTE.—The values in the following tables are expressed in Australian currency, but, unlike the figures in Chapter XI.—Trade of this issue, they represent f.o.b. value at port of shipment for both imports and exports. The figures for imports therefore do not include the statutory 10 per centum imposed for value for duty purposes which is included in the import figures of Chapter XI. This change is in accordance with the amendment to the Customs Act 1901-1936 referred to at the top of p. 397 ante.

§ 7. Oversea Trade.

Summary of Movements, pp. 399 and 400.—The table hereunder is a summary of the total overseas trade movements of Australia during the year 1947-48.

TOTAL OVERSEA TRADE : AUSTRALIA, 1947-48.

Item.	Australian Currency Values.
	£A'000 f.o.b.
Merchandise—Exports	404,988
Imports	338,085
Commodity Balance	66,903
Bullion and Specie—Exports	4,966
Imports	1,661
Bullion and Specie Balance	3,305
Total Balance	70,208

§ 8. Direction of Oversea Trade.

Imports according to Country of Origin and Exports according to Country of Destination, pp. 402 and 404.—The following table shows particulars of the values of total imports and total exports of Australia, including bullion and specie, according to countries of origin or of destination, for the year 1947-48 :—

TOTAL OVERSEA TRADE, AUSTRALIA : COUNTRIES OF ORIGIN OR OF DESTINATION, 1947-48.

Country of Origin or of Destination.	Imports.	Exports.
	£A'000 f.o.b.	£A'000 f.o.b.
United Kingdom	132,238	155,933
Canada	15,341	5,009
Ceylon	8,133	10,213
India	26,698	26,689
Malaya (British)	3,863	7,785
New Zealand	4,249	15,260
Other British Countries	17,231	41,932
Total British Countries	207,753	262,821

TOTAL OVERSEA TRADE, AUSTRALIA: COUNTRIES OF ORIGIN OR OF DESTINATION, 1947-48—*continued*.

Country of Origin or of Destination.	Imports.	Exports.
	£A'000 f.o.b.	£A'000 f.o.b.
Arabia	5,819	211
Belgium	5,213	19,261
China	1,667	2,757
France	3,118	36,483
Italy	2,710	11,860
Netherlands	2,595	3,373
Netherlands East Indies	4,429	132
Norway	3,164	1,024
Persia	10,989	432
Sweden	4,905	3,937
Switzerland	1,950	1,663
United States of America	66,830	35,974
Other Foreign Countries	12,003	31,826
Total Foreign Countries	125,392	147,133
Outside packages	6,601	..
Total	339,746	499,954

§ 11. Classified Summary of Australian Oversea Trade.

Imports and Exports in Statistical Classes, pp. 412-3.—The following table shows the values of total imports and total exports in statistical classes for the year 1947-48:—

TOTAL OVERSEA TRADE, AUSTRALIA: CLASSES, 1947-48.

Classes.	Imports.	Exports.
	£A'000 f.o.b.	£A'000 f.o.b.
I. Animal foodstuffs, etc.	3,696	57,790
II. Vegetable foodstuffs, non-alcoholic beverages, etc.	16,521	124,182
III. Alcoholic liquors, etc.	762	2,086
IV. Tobacco, etc.	7,721	222
V. Live animals	385	502
VI. Animal substances, etc.	3,440	161,783
VII. Vegetable substances, etc.	11,470	1,095
VIII. Apparel, textiles, etc.	96,065	6,871
IX. Oils, fats and waxes	34,757	2,063
X. Paints and varnishes	1,638	617
XI. Stones and minerals, etc.	2,837	5,201
XII. Metals, metal manufactures and machinery	85,379	29,556
XIII. Rubber and leather, etc.	5,352	1,961
XIV. Wood and wicker, etc.	4,877	1,730
XV. Earthenware, etc.	7,251	516
XVI. Paper and stationery	23,383	850
XVII. Jewellery, etc.	4,131	392
XVIII. Optical, surgical and scientific instruments	4,410	866
XIX. Drugs, chemicals, etc.	11,036	3,272
XX. Miscellaneous	12,974	3,433
XXI. Gold and silver, and bronze specie	1,661	4,966
Total	339,746	499,954

§ 15. Australian Index of Export Prices.

Monthly Index (Fixed Weights), p. 426.—The following table shows export price index-numbers for the year 1947-48 and the months of July, 1947 to December, 1948 :—

EXPORT PRICE INDEXES : AUSTRALIA.

SIMPLE AGGREGATIVE INDEX : FIXED WEIGHTS.

INDIVIDUAL COMMODITIES, GROUPS OF COMMODITIES AND ALL GROUPS (COMBINED).

(Base of each section : Average of three years ended June, 1939 = 1,000.)

Period.	Wool.	Wheat.	Butter.	Metals. (a)	Meats. (b)	Sugar.	Dried Fruits. (c)	Tallow.	Hides. (d)	Gold.	All Groups.	
											Ex- cluding Gold.	In- cluding Gold.
(e)	45.63	17.06	11.36	6.83	6.63	2.40	1.81	0.64	0.66	6.98	..	100.00
(f)	49.05	18.34	12.21	7.34	7.13	2.58	1.94	0.69	0.72	..	100.00	..
1947-48 ..	2,901	4,192	1,935	3,723	1,464	3,203	1,566	3,607	3,643	1,223	2,968	2,847
1947-48—												
July	1,923	3,676	1,734	3,515	1,446	3,004	1,569	3,038	3,221	1,223	2,340	2,265
August ..	2,376	3,790	1,734	3,493	1,446	3,004	1,569	3,038	3,366	1,223	2,583	2,488
September ..	2,451	3,861	1,734	3,523	1,446	3,004	1,569	3,038	3,366	1,223	2,636	2,536
October ..	2,564	3,815	1,734	3,584	1,446	3,004	1,569	3,797	3,678	1,223	2,693	2,591
November ..	2,866	3,829	2,035	3,557	1,446	3,004	1,569	3,797	3,678	1,223	2,879	2,764
December ..	g 2,866	4,013	2,035	3,589	1,446	3,004	1,569	3,797	3,678	1,223	2,915	2,797
January ..	3,243	4,274	2,035	3,685	1,446	3,402	1,569	3,797	3,678	1,223	3,166	3,032
February ..	3,394	4,461	2,035	3,621	1,446	3,402	1,569	1,797	4,043	1,223	3,274	3,130
March ..	g 3,168	4,558	2,035	3,789	1,446	3,402	1,557	3,797	3,873	1,223	3,191	3,054
April ..	h 3,992	4,597	2,035	4,021	1,446	3,402	1,557	3,797	3,834	1,223	3,178	3,042
May ..	h 3,281	4,719	2,035	4,055	1,554	3,402	1,557	3,797	3,652	1,223	3,301	3,157
June ..	h 3,583	4,712	2,035	4,246	1,554	3,402	1,572	3,797	3,652	1,223	3,462	3,307
1948-49—												
July ..	h 3,470	4,710	2,330	4,388	1,554	3,402	1,572	3,797	3,391	1,223	3,451	3,296
August ..	g 3,470	4,609	2,330	4,427	1,554	3,402	1,572	3,797	3,365	1,223	3,436	3,281
September ..	h 3,545	4,480	2,330	4,380	1,554	3,402	1,572	3,797	3,417	1,223	3,446	3,291
October ..	h 3,281	4,414	2,330	4,728	1,757	3,402	1,572	4,172	3,847	1,223	3,350	3,200
November ..	h 3,658	4,385	2,330	4,687	1,757	3,402	1,572	4,172	4,186	1,223	3,529	3,369
December ..	h 3,997	4,340	2,330	4,805	1,757	3,402	1,572	4,172	4,199	1,223	3,696	3,524

(a) Non-Ferrous—Silver, Copper, Tin, Spelter, Lead. (b) Beef, Lamb, Mutton, Pork. (c) Sultanas, Lexias, Currants. (d) Cattle Hides, Calf Skins. (e) Percentage distribution of Base Aggregate for "All Groups (including Gold)"—applicable from 1936-37. (f) Percentage distribution of Base Aggregate for "All Groups (excluding Gold)"—applicable from 1936-37. (g) Nominal. (h) Subject to revision. (i) Nominal.

pending adjustment to wheat values in accordance with new contract with United Kingdom.

Monthly Index (Changing Weights), p. 427.—The next table shows index-numbers for months and periods ending between July, 1947 and December, 1948 :—

MONTHLY EXPORT PRICE INDEX (CHANGING WEIGHTS) : AUSTRALIA.

(Base : Weighted Average Price Level in corresponding months of preceding year = 1,000.)

Month.	1947-48.		1948-49.	
	Month stated compared with same month of preceding year.	Period of trade year ending in month stated compared with same period of preceding year.	Month stated compared with same month of preceding year.	Period of trade year ending in month stated compared with same period of preceding year.
July	1,458	1,511	1,511
August	1,607	1,302	1,422
September	1,441	1,502	1,375
October	1,433	1,480	1,336
November	1,462	1,476	1,309
December	1,462	1,474	1,307
January	1,553	1,488	..
February	1,551	1,497	..
March	1,499	1,498	..
April	1,422	1,489	..
May	1,487	1,489	..
June	1,529	1,493	..

CHAPTER XII.—LABOUR, WAGES AND PRICES.

A. RETAIL PRICES AND PRICE INDEXES.

§ 7. Tabular Statements of Retail Price Index-Numbers.

All Items ("C" Series) Retail Price Index p. 447.—The following table shows the "C" Series index-numbers for the December quarters, 1947 and 1948 for each capital city and for the six capital cities combined, showing separate series for each of the four main groups of items:—

ALL ITEMS ("C" SERIES) RETAIL PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS (a) : CAPITAL CITIES.

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

December Quarter—	Sydney.	Mel-bourne.	Brisbane	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.	Six Capitals. (b)
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GROUP I.—FOOD AND GROCERIES.

1947	1,138	1,160	1,092	1,112	1,132	1,180	1,138
1948	1,326	1,355	1,280	1,305	1,324	1,416	1,330

GROUP II.—HOUSING (4 AND 5 ROOMS) (c).

1947	1,045	974	864	899	887	936	977
1948	1,047	974	866	905	890	938	980

GROUPS I. AND II.—FOOD, GROCERIES AND HOUSING ("B" SERIES INDEX).

1947	1,099	1,084	1,001	1,026	1,034	1,082	1,073
1948	1,214	1,203	1,116	1,146	1,152	1,226	1,190

GROUP III.—CLOTHING.

1947	1,639	1,649	1,619	1,618	1,647	1,653	1,639
1948	1,831	1,801	1,817	1,809	1,835	1,807	1,818

GROUP IV.—MISCELLANEOUS.

1947	1,245	1,201	1,157	1,266	1,160	1,140	1,217
1948	1,279	1,273	1,249	1,350	1,242	1,191	1,277

GROUPS I. TO IV.—ALL ITEMS ("C" SERIES INDEX).

1947	1,242	1,227	1,163	1,198	1,189	1,216	1,221
1948	1,359	1,345	1,291	1,327	1,316	1,344	1,341

(a) The index-numbers given in the separate parts of the table cannot be compared with each other in order to show the relative cost of food and groceries, housing, etc., since the cost in 1925-27 in each group or combination is made equal to 1,000. (b) Weighted average. (c) The rent index-numbers measure the proportionate rise and fall in the average weekly rentals paid for houses of four and five rooms taking corresponding houses throughout. See footnote (b) on page 443.

B. WHOLESALE PRICES AND PRICE INDEXES.

§ 1. Melbourne Wholesale Price Index.

Index-numbers, p. 456.—The table hereunder gives the index-numbers for each group, and for all groups combined, of those commodities included in the series for the years 1947 and 1948:—

INDEX-NUMBERS (a) : MELBOURNE WHOLESALE PRICES.

(Base of each Group : Year 1911 = 1,000.)

Year.	I. Metals and Coal.	II. Wool, Cotton, Leather, etc.	III. Agricultural Pro- duce, etc.	IV. Dairy Pro- duce.	V. Gro- ceries.	VI. Meat.	VII. Build- ing Ma- terials.	VIII. Chemicals.	All Groups.
1947 ..	2,390	2,690	2,019	1,763	2,174	2,748	3,800	2,843	2,360
1948 ..	2,829	3,619	2,383	2,104	2,435	2,976	4,631	3,180	2,824

(a) Figures are not directly comparable horizontally.

§ 2. Basic Materials and Foodstuffs.

Index-numbers, pp. 457-8.—Index-numbers for each group of commodities and for all groups combined for the new index of wholesale prices of basic materials and foodstuffs are shown below for each of the twelve months and year 1947-48 and for the six months July to December, 1948.

INDEX-NUMBERS (a) : BASIC MATERIALS AND FOODSTUFFS.

(Base of each Group : Average 3 years ended June, 1939 = 1,000.)

Period.	Metals and Coal.	Oils, Fats and Waxes.	Tex- tiles.	Chemicals.	Rubber and Hides.	Build- ing Ma- terials.	Food- stuffs and To- bacco.	Goods princi- pally Im- ported. (b)	Goods princi- pally Home Pro- duced.	All Groups.
1947-48—										
July ..	1,353	1,519	2,129	1,412	1,149	1,851	1,438	1,831	1,336	1,482
August ..	1,353	1,536	2,423	1,412	1,149	1,853	1,439	1,857	1,341	1,493
September ..	1,358	1,578	2,515	1,424	1,216	1,853	1,452	1,890	1,351	1,509
October ..	1,359	1,578	2,582	1,434	1,216	1,862	1,484	1,922	1,366	1,529
November ..	1,392	1,578	2,806	1,434	1,296	1,900	1,514	1,947	1,402	1,562
December ..	1,510	1,632	2,795	1,434	1,294	1,908	1,537	1,924	1,453	1,601
January ..	1,513	1,616	3,027	1,529	1,307	1,914	1,567	1,928	1,500	1,626
February ..	1,513	1,616	3,123	1,529	1,315	1,923	1,588	1,933	1,518	1,640
March ..	1,514	1,654	2,991	1,529	1,266	1,918	1,588	1,950	1,512	1,640
April ..	1,514	1,659	3,004	1,532	1,265	1,922	1,589	1,952	1,514	1,642
May ..	1,571	1,659	3,199	1,532	1,319	1,934	1,588	1,959	1,533	1,658
June ..	1,571	1,659	3,403	1,533	1,345	1,944	1,588	1,960	1,541	1,664
Year ..	1,460	1,607	2,833	1,478	1,262	1,899	1,531	1,924	1,447	1,587
1948-49—										
July ..	1,651	1,724	3,323	1,533	1,361	1,948	1,611	2,000	1,571	1,697
August ..	1,651	1,724	3,328	1,537	1,347	1,952	1,696	2,025	1,627	1,744
September ..	1,697	1,733	3,371	1,538	1,347	1,964	1,687	2,017	1,637	1,749
October ..	1,697	1,734	3,197	1,593	1,347	1,964	1,685	2,015	1,633	1,746
November ..	1,876	1,734	3,484	1,592	1,349	1,966	1,732	2,008	1,722	1,806
December ..	1,876	1,734	3,650	1,595	1,312	1,985	1,759	2,010	1,749	1,826

(a) Figures are comparable in the vertical columns but not directly comparable horizontally.
 (b) Represents only such imported commodities as are included in the wholesale price index. This index does not measure changes in price of imports generally.

D. WAGES.

§ 2. Rates of Wages and Hours of Labour.

NOTE.—The nominal wage and hours figures are in course of revision to meet changes in industrial structure. The amounts shown should not be regarded as actual current averages but as an index of changes expressed in money and hour terms.

Weekly Rates of Wage, pp. 466 and 468.—The following table shows for each State and Australia the weighted average nominal weekly rates of wage payable, and the index-numbers based thereon, for adult males and for adult females at 31st December, 1947 and 1948:—

WAGE RATES OF ADULT MALES AND FEMALES.

(Weighted average nominal weekly rates payable for a full week's work and index-numbers of wage rates.)

Date.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust. (a)
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ADULT MALES—RATES OF WAGE.

	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
31st December, 1947	141 3	136 10	134 9	133 10	137 8	133 0	137 11
„ „ 1948 ^b	159 9	155 5	151 4	153 7	156 6	153 2	156 4

ADULT MALES—INDEX-NUMBERS.—(BASE 51S. 3D.(a) IN 1911 = 1,000.)

31st December, 1947	2,757	2,670	2,630	2,612	2,686	2,595	2,690
„ „ 1948 ^b	3,117	3,032	2,953	2,997	3,054	2,988	3,050

ADULT FEMALES—RATES OF WAGE.

	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
31st December, 1947	84 3	88 6	85 11	80 11	80 1	81 11	85 8
„ „ 1948 ^b	100 0	103 1	98 4	95 1	93 5	96 8	100 4

ADULT FEMALES—INDEX-NUMBERS.—(BASE 27S. 2D.(a) IN APRIL, 1914 = 1,000.)

31st December, 1947	3,102	3,256	3,160	2,976	2,947	3,014	3,152
„ „ 1948 ^b	3,681	3,795	3,618	3,499	3,438	3,559	3,694

(a) Weighted average for Australia.

(b) Subject to revision.

§ 3. Basic Wages in Australia.

Current Commonwealth Basic Wage Rates, p. 480.—The basic weekly wage rates for adult males, fixed by the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration for each Capital City and the six capitals, operative at 1st June, 1949, were as follows:—Sydney, 127s. od.; Melbourne, 125s. od.; Brisbane, 119s. od.; Adelaide, 121s. od.; Perth, 120s. od.; Hobart, 124s. od.; Six Capitals, 124s. od. Female rates are generally 54 per cent. of male rates.

Current State Basic Wage Rates, p. 484.—The table below shows the current basic weekly wage rates declared by the various State tribunals, operative at 1st June, 1949 :—

BASIC WEEKLY WAGE RATES FIXED BY STATE INDUSTRIAL TRIBUNALS.

State.	Basic Wage.		Date of Operation.	Family Unit (for Male Rate).
	Males.	Females.		
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		
New South Wales ..	(a) 6 7 0	(a) 3 8 6	1.5.49	(b)
Victoria(c) ..	(6 5 0)	(3 7 6)	(1.5.49)	(c)
Queensland ..	(d) 6 3 0	3 15 6	2.5.49	Man, wife and three children
South Australia ..	6 5 0	3 8 6	19.5.49	" " " " "
Western Australia(e)	6 7 1	3 8 8	2.5.49	Man, wife and two children
Tasmania(c) ..	(6 4 0)	(3 7 0)	(1.5.49)	(c)

(a) Sydney, Newcastle, Port Kembla-Wollongong; Broken Hill—Males, £6 13s.; Females, £3 12s. Elsewhere—Males, £6 4s.; Females, £3 7s. (b) Commonwealth Basic Wage operative—no defined family unit. (c) None declared, but rates shown are those of Commonwealth Court which are followed to a large extent. No defined family unit. (d) South-Eastern Division. Allowances are added for other Divisions :—Northern, 10s.; North-Western, 17s. 4d.; Mackay, 5s. 6d.; South-Western, 7s. 4d. Half of these allowances are granted to females. (e) Metropolitan Area. Basic wage from 2.5.49 for Gold-fields Areas and other portions of State excluding the S.W. Land Division—Males, £6 15s. 1d.; Females £3 12s. 11d.; and for Agricultural Areas and S.W. Land Division—Males, £6 6s. 9d.; Females, £3 8s. 5d.

E. EMPLOYMENT.

§ 1. Employment.

Total Occupied Persons, p. 488.—Particulars of the total occupied persons in Australia in June, 1947 are shown below :—

TOTAL OCCUPIED PERSONS : AUSTRALIA, JUNE, 1947.(a)

(Thousands.)

Defence Forces (Net Enlistments).	Employers and Self Employed.			Wage and Salary Earners.			Total Occupied Civilians.	Total Occupied Persons including Forces.
	Rural Industry.	Other Industries.	Total.	Rural Industry.	Other Industries.	Total.		
MALES.								
54.5	293.0	278.8	571.8	150.0	1,649.4	1,799.4	2,371.2	2,425.7
FEMALES.								
1.0	14.4	54.4	68.8	11.0	(b) 670.6	681.6	750.4	751.4
PERSONS.								
55.5	307.4	333.2	640.6	161.0	2,320.0	2,481.0	3,121.6	3,177.1

(a) Preliminary estimates, subject to revision on completion of detailed tabulation of 1947 Census. (b) Includes 51,000 in private domestic service.

Wage and Salary Earners in Employment, p. 490.—The following table shows particulars of wage and salary earners in civil employment, excluding rural employment and females in domestic work in private homes, for the months of June and December, 1948 :—

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN EMPLOYMENT.(a)

(Excluding Rural Workers, Domestic Workers in Private Homes, and Persons on paid Strength of Defence Forces.)
(Thousands.)

Year and Month.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.(b)
MALES.							
1948—June ..	702.3	473.3	232.6	149.0	109.2	54.5	1,730.9
December ..	710.3	480.9	232.2	152.0	111.5	55.9	1,753.5
FEMALES.							
1948—June ..	261.9	196.7	77.9	50.1	37.0	18.0	644.0
December ..	271.1	202.0	79.7	51.7	38.0	18.1	663.2
PERSONS.							
1948—June ..	964.2	670.0	310.5	199.1	146.2	72.5	2,374.9
December ..	981.4	682.9	311.9	203.7	149.5	74.0	2,416.7

(a) Subject to revision.

(b) Includes Australian Capital Territory and Northern Territory.

§ 2. Unemployment.

Total Persons Unemployed, p. 492.—Estimates, subject to revision, of the total numbers of unemployed in Australia in June, 1947, and their percentages to all wage and salary earners are as follows :—Males, 66,000 (3.5 per cent.); females, 16,700 (2.4 per cent.); persons, 82,700 (3.2 per cent.).

Unemployment of Members of Trade Unions, p. 495.—The following are the percentages of unemployment in each State for eight quarters March, 1947 to December 1948 and the years 1947 and 1948 :—

UNEMPLOYMENT OF MEMBERS OF TRADE UNIONS : PERCENTAGES.

Period.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
1947—March Qtr.	1.5	1.6	0.8	1.1	1.4	2.2	1.4
June „ ..	1.4	1.1	0.9	1.0	1.1	2.4	1.2
Sept. „ ..	1.1	1.2	0.8	1.0	1.1	2.5	1.1
Dec. „ ..	1.0	0.8	0.4	0.8	1.1	2.3	0.9
Year ..	1.3	1.2	0.7	1.0	1.2	2.3	1.2
1948—March „ ..	1.0	0.8	0.5	0.9	1.0	0.5	0.9
June „ ..	1.0	0.8	0.5	1.0	1.0	0.5	0.9
Sept. „ ..	0.9	1.0	0.4	1.2	0.8	0.7	0.9
Dec. „ ..	0.9	0.7	0.3	1.1	0.7	1.0	0.8
Year ..	1.0	0.8	0.4	1.1	0.9	0.7	0.9

§ 4. Industrial Disputes.

Summary of Disputes (involving Stoppage of Work), p. 501.—The following table shows particulars of industrial disputes in each State during the years 1947 and 1948 :—
INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES.

State.	Number.	Establishments Involved.	Workpeople Involved.			Working Days Lost.	Estimated Loss in Wages. £
			Directly.	Indirectly.	Total.		
1947.							
New South Wales ..	921	2,731	254,587	43,211	297,798	919,411	1,360,632
Victoria ..	17	233	6,005	1,929	7,934	334,185	417,426
Queensland ..	13	24	11,944	20	11,964	31,245	45,953
South Australia ..	17	35	4,821	832	5,653	39,654	53,916.
Western Australia ..	7	12	1,759	7	1,766	6,070	8,622
Tasmania ..	6	17	1,152	220	1,372	5,563	7,636
Australia(a) ..	982	3,058	280,718	46,419	327,137	1,338,728	1,898,085
1948.							
New South Wales ..	1,071	1,832	235,473	7,036	242,509	644,961	1,155,940
Victoria ..	21	82	41,734	155	41,889	159,903	240,634
Queensland ..	12	27	13,734	7,797	21,531	815,107	833,269
South Australia ..	21	28	5,891	1,136	7,027	30,264	47,138
Western Australia ..	1	1	244	..	244	488	600
Tasmania ..	4	5	468	..	468	950	1,473
Australia(b) ..	1,133	2,057	298,913	16,124	315,037	1,655,338	2,284,418

(a) Includes one dispute in Australian Capital Territory.
Northern Territory.

(b) Includes three disputes in

CHAPTER XIV.—PRIVATE FINANCE.

A. CURRENCY.

§ 2. Coinage.

Issues of Australian Coins, p. 558.—Australian Coins issued during 1947-48 and total issues to 30th June, 1948 are shown in the following statement.

AUSTRALIAN COINS : SILVER AND BRONZE ISSUES, 1947-48.

Year.	Silver.					Total.	Bronze.		Total.
	Crown.	Florin.	Shilling.	Six-pence.	Three-pence.		Penny.	Half-penny.	
	5s.	2s.	1s.	6d.	3d.		rd.	½d.	
1947-48 ..	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Total to 30th June, 1948 ..	..	5,120	557	251	216	6,144	73	31	104
Less coin withdrawn ..	276	21,454	5,227	2,804	2,840	32,601	1,147	390	1,537
	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	3,375	..	..	..
Net issues to 30th June, 1948 ..	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	29,226	1,147	390	1,537

(a) Not available.

§ 3. Notes.

Australian Note Issue, p. 563.—Particulars of the average values of notes in circulation for the year 1947-48 are shown in the following table.

AUSTRALIAN NOTE ISSUE, 1947-48.

10s.	£1.	£5.	£10.	£20.	£50.	£100.	£1,000.	Held by Banks.	Held by Public.	Total.
£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
8,268	65,356	77,663	46,216	8	85	163	547	22,296	176,010	198,306

B. BANKING.

§ 1. Cheque-Paying Banks.

Commonwealth Bank, pp. 574-5.—The following tables show particulars of the more important average liabilities and assets of the Commonwealth Bank for the quarter ended December, 1948.

COMMONWEALTH BANK: CENTRAL BANKING BUSINESS (INCLUDING NOTE ISSUE DEPARTMENT), DECEMBER QUARTER, 1948.

Average Liabilities.						Average Assets.	
Capital and Reserve Funds.	Notes on Issue.	Special Accounts of Trading Banks.	Other Deposits of Trading Banks.	Other Liabilities.	Total Liabilities.	Gold and Balances held abroad.	Government and other Securities. (a)
£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
9,692	202,182	289,607	32,129	184,971	718,581	324,631	359,490

(a) Includes Commonwealth Treasury Bills.

COMMONWEALTH BANK: GENERAL BANKING DIVISION,(a) DECEMBER QUARTER, 1948.

Average Liabilities within Australia.				Average Assets within Australia.			
Deposits.			Total Liabilities.	Cash and Cash Balances.	Australian Public Securities.	Loans, Advances and Bills Discounted.	Total Assets.
Not Bearing Interest.	Bearing Interest.	Total.					
£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
51,200	13,741	64,941	74,428	7,955	(b) 32,737	46,074	89,001

(a) From October, 1948 includes the Rural Credits, Industrial Finance and Mortgage Bank Departments.

(b) Includes £750,000 Commonwealth Treasury Bills.

Nine Trading Banks, pp. 575-6.—The table below is a summary of the main average liabilities and assets within Australia of the Nine Trading Banks for the year ended 30th June, 1948, and the December quarter of 1948.

NINE TRADING BANKS.(a)

Period.	Average Liabilities within Australia.			Average Assets within Australia.				
	Deposits.			Cash and Cash Balances.	Special Account with Commonwealth Bank.	Australian Public Securities.(b)	Loans, Advances and Bills Discounted.	Total Assets.
	Not Bearing Interest.	Bearing Interest.	Total.					
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Year 1947-48	471,604	201,892	673,496	44,390	262,258	83,695	329,850	751,475
Qtr. Dec., 1948	554,106	212,699	766,805	50,778	288,457	88,694	372,505	836,230

(a) Excludes interbank balances resulting from the transfer of the business of the Queensland National Bank Ltd. (in voluntary liquidation) to the National Bank of Australasia Ltd., which commenced in January, 1948.

(b) Includes Commonwealth Treasury Bills—1947-48, £18,089,000; December quarter, £28,585,000.

Clearing House Returns, p. 580.—The average weekly bank clearings for each capital city for the year ended June, 1948, and the quarters ended March, 1948 to December, 1948, are shown in the following table:—

BANK CLEARINGS(a) : AVERAGE WEEKLY CLEARINGS.

Period.	Sydney.	Mel-bourne.	Bris-bane.	Ade-laide.	Perth.	Hobart.	Total.
Year ended June, 1948 ..	£'000. 44,786	£'000. 41,237	£'000. 9,288	£'000. 8,038	£'000. 4,892	£'000. 1,543	£'000. 109,784
Quarter ended—							
March, 1948 ..	42,284	38,648	8,299	8,163	5,252	1,550	104,196
June, 1948 ..	51,467	46,713	10,161	9,182	5,264	1,682	124,469
September, 1948 ..	49,955	46,425	10,993	8,569	5,184	1,671	122,797
December, 1948 ..	54,886	48,942	10,883	9,877	6,354	1,692	132,634

(a) Excludes transactions connected with the issue and redemption of Treasury Bills.

Debits to Customers' Accounts, p. 581.—In the following table are shown the average weekly debits to customers' accounts of all cheque-paying banks for each State for the quarters March, 1948 to December, 1948:—

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

Quarter ended—	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Total.
March, 1948 ..	£'000. 74,754	£'000. 59,240	£'000. 18,481	£'000. 12,302	£'000. 8,961	£'000. 3,771	£'000. 131	£'000. 177,640
June, 1948 ..	86,244	72,684	21,978	14,591	9,620	4,450	167	209,734
September, 1948 ..	83,631	71,531	23,215	13,710	9,493	4,271	175	206,026
December, 1948 ..	92,467	76,703	24,220	15,516	11,071	4,578	176	224,731

(a) Excludes debits relating to transfer of accounts from the Queensland National Bank Ltd. (in voluntary liquidation) to the National Bank of Australasia Ltd.

§ 2. Savings Banks.

All Savings Banks, p. 585.—The amounts on deposit in the several States at 30th June, 1948 were:—New South Wales, £236,964,000; Victoria, £226,401,000; Queensland, £84,836,000; South Australia, £73,613,000; Western Australia, £36,183,000; Tasmania, £21,572,000; Northern Territory, £649,000; Australian Capital Territory, £1,100,000; total, £681,318,000. Total excess of deposits over withdrawals during 1947-48 was £10,009,000, and interest added was £11,294,000.

D. INSURANCE.

§ 2. Life Assurance.

Life Assurance, pp. 597 and 601.—The following table is a summary of the life assurance business transacted in Australia, compiled from the annual returns collected from the 21 companies registered under the Life Insurance Act 1945, and from the Government Insurance Office of New South Wales and the Queensland State Government Insurance Office.

LIFE ASSURANCE(a), 1947.

Particulars.	Ordinary Department.			Industrial Department.		
	Number of Policies.	Sum Assured.	Annual Premiums.	Number of Policies.	Sum Assured.	Annual Premiums.
	No.	£'000.	£'000.	No.	£'000.	£'000.
New Policies Issued ..	250,022	119,169	4,356	315,948	27,228	1,293
Policies Discontinued ..	85,478	33,070	1,294	204,626	12,406	720
Policies Existing ..	1,901,639	740,496	25,463	3,540,816	193,107	10,859

(a) Excludes annuities.

§ 3. Fire, Marine and General Insurance.

Fire, Marine and General Insurance, p. 604.—The following table shows premiums and losses in relation to the principal classes of risks and proportions of losses on premiums for the year 1947-48.

FIRE, MARINE AND GENERAL INSURANCE : PREMIUMS AND LOSSES, PRINCIPAL CLASSES OF RISK, 1947-48.

Class of Risk.	Premiums, less Re-Insurances and Returns.	Losses, less Re-Insurances.	Proportion of Losses on Premiums.
	£	£	%
Fire	9,073,788	2,414,294	26.61
Workers' Compensation	8,628,257	6,286,724	72.86
Motor Vehicle—			
Compulsory Third Party	1,435,733	1,493,117	104.00
Other	4,233,635	2,619,501	61.87
Marine	3,026,205	1,144,910	37.83
All Other	5,440,130	2,930,697	53.87
Total	31,837,748	16,889,243	53.05

CHAPTER XV.—PUBLIC FINANCE.

A. COMMONWEALTH FINANCE.

§ 4. Commonwealth Loan Funds and Public Debt.

Loans Raised, pp. 642-4.—Particulars of loans raised by the Commonwealth between 1st June, 1947 and 31st December, 1948 are given in the following table.

COMMONWEALTH LOANS RAISED.

Month of Raising.	Where Raised.	Amount Invited.	Amount Subscribed.	Rate of Interest.	Year of Maturity.	Price of Issue.	Purpose.
1946-47—		£'000.(a)	£'000.(a)	%		£	
June ..	New York	(b) 3,904	(b) 3,904	3½	1957	97½	Redemption of New York loan
June ..	New York	(b) 3,904	(b) 3,904	3½	1967	97½	
1947-48—							
August ..	Australia	36,752	28,111 19,015 21,616	3½	1956-59	100	Conversion loan Conversion Loan War (1939-45) Services and Post-war Charges
October ..	Australia	80,000	13,012 26,600 6,000	3½	1956-59	100	
December ..	Australia	6,000	6,000	3½	1956-59	100	Redemption Loan
January ..	London Australia	12,870	12,870	3	1963-65	98½	Conversion and redemption of London loan
		Australia	3,761	3,761	3½	1960		100
April ..	Australia	35,000	6,625	3½	1957-60	100	War (1939-45) Services and Post-war Charges
May ..	London	10,000	7,645	3	1964-66	100	Conversion and redemption of London loan
			29,028 10,000				
1948-49—							
September ..	Australia London	5,000	5,000	3½	1957-60	100	Conversion and redemption of London loans
		London	15,000	15,000	3	1965-67		100
September ..	Australia	100,000	85,096 15,000	3½	1959-62	100	Conversion and redemption loan
January ..	Australia	6,200	6,200	3½	1962	100	Redemption of London loan

(a) Loans raised in Australia, £A. Loans raised in London, £stg. Loans raised in New York converted at rate of \$4.8665 to £1. (b) \$19,000,000 each.

C. COMMONWEALTH AND STATE FINANCE.

Revenue and Expenditure, p. 680.—The following table shows particulars of Commonwealth and State revenue and expenditure during the year 1947-48.

COMMONWEALTH AND STATES : REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE, 1947-48.

Government of—	Consolidated Revenue Fund.			Loan Fund— Net Expenditure on Works and Services.
	Revenue.	Expenditure.	Surplus (+) or Deficit(—)	
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
New South Wales	86,816	86,938	—122	15,129
Victoria	41,728	42,282	—554	8,786
Queensland	26,820	26,914	—94	4,718
South Australia	18,843	19,156	—313	3,805
Western Australia	17,710	18,062	—352	2,537
Tasmania	4,816	5,102	—286	2,634
Six States	196,733	198,454	—1,721	37,609
Commonwealth	465,905	464,485	+1,420	13,126
Grand Total—Unadjusted	662,638	662,939	—301	50,735
Adjusted	602,400	602,700	—300	50,735

Taxation, p. 681.—Particulars of total Commonwealth and State taxation collections in 1947-48 are shown in the following table:—

COMMONWEALTH AND STATE TAXATION : TOTAL COLLECTIONS, 1947-48.

Tax.	Commonwealth.		States.		Total.	
	Amount.	Per Head.	Amount.	Per Head.	Amount.	Per Head.
	£'000.	£ s. d.	£'000.	£ s. d.	£'000.	£ s. d.
Customs Duties	57,597	7 10 9	..	..	57,597	7 10 9
Excise Duties	58,008	7 11 10	..	..	58,008	7 11 10
Sales Tax	34,728	4 10 11	..	..	34,728	4 10 11
Land Taxes	3,641	0 9 6	1,236	0 3 3	4,877	0 12 9
Income Taxes	232,900	30 9 8	416	0 1 1	233,316	30 10 9
Pay-roll Tax	16,595	2 3 6	..	..	16,595	2 3 6
Probate and Succession Duties	4,555	0 11 11	8,836	1 3 2	13,391	1 15 1
Entertainment Taxes	5,198	0 13 7	3,081	0 8 1	8,279	1 1 8
Liquor Taxes .. .. .	..	..	2,032	0 5 4	2,032	0 5 4
Lotteries Taxes .. .. .	..	..	1,011	0 2 8	1,011	0 2 8
Motor Taxes .. .. .	..	..	8,899	1 3 5	8,899	1 3 3
Other Taxes	9,191	1 4 1	6,621	0 17 5	15,812	2 1 5
Total	422,413	55 5 9	32,132	4 4 5	454,545	59 9 11

Public Debt, p. 682.—The following table shows details of the public debt of the Commonwealth and States and the annual interest payable thereon at 30th June, 1948.

COMMONWEALTH AND STATE PUBLIC DEBT AND INTEREST PAYABLE AT 30th JUNE, 1948.

State.	Maturing in—			Total.
	Australia.	London. (a)	New York. (b)	
PUBLIC DEBT.				
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
New South Wales	233,997	139,672	11,309	384,978
Victoria	128,243	56,132	4,571	188,946
Queensland	86,503	47,273	4,918	138,694
South Australia	79,261	37,815	1,776	118,852
Western Australia	59,251	38,986	2,038	100,275
Tasmania	25,408	8,312	237	33,957
Six States	611,763	328,190	24,849	964,802
Commonwealth—				
War (1914-18)	154,046	10,645	..	164,691
War (1939-45)	1,508,195	5,775	..	1,513,970
Works and other Purposes	77,906	52,991	15,855	146,752
Total	1,740,147	69,411	15,855	1,825,413
Grand Total	2,351,910	397,601	40,704	2,790,215
ANNUAL INTEREST PAYABLE.				
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Six States	19,686	10,737	918	31,341
Commonwealth	47,892	2,396	696	50,984
Grand total	67,578	13,133	1,614	82,325

(a) Expressed in £ sterling.

(b) £ converted at rate \$4 8665 to £1.

D. TAXES ON INCOME.

Effective Exemptions from Tax, p. 693.—For the income years 1948-49 and 1949-50 taxpayers are exempt from Social Services Contribution and/or Income Tax if their income does not exceed the amounts shown in the following table.

Taxpayer with—	Social Services Contribution.		Income Tax (Personal Exertion).	
	1948-49 Income.	1949-50 Income.	1948-49 Income.	1949-50 Income.
No dependants	£ 104	£ 104	£ 350	£ 500
Wife	200	200	501	660
Wife and one child	283	283	613	771
Wife and two children	317	317	669	827
Wife and three children	350	350	726	883
Wife and four children	400	400	783	939

Rates of Tax on Individuals, p. 693.—The following table shows the rates of income tax in respect of 1948-49 and 1949-50 incomes.

(*T* = Taxable Income in Pounds.)

Rates.	Personal Exertion.		Property.	
	Taxable Income.	Tax in Pence.	Taxable Income.	Tax in Pence.
1948-49 Income—	£351-£1,000	.03T ² - 3675	£351- £500	.06T ² - 12T - 3150
	£1,001-£2,000	.02T ² + 20T - 13,675	£501-£1,000	.03T ² + 18T - 10,650
	£2,001-£5,000	.009T ² + 64T - 57,675	£1,001-£2,000	.021T ² + 36T - 19,650
	£5,001-£9,000 over £9,000	.001T ² + 144T - 257,675 162T - 338,675	£2,001-£5,000 over £5,000	.007T ² + 92T - 75,650 162T - 250,650
1949-50 Income—	£501-£1,000	.024T ² - 6T - 3,000	£351- £500	.005T ² + 4.25T - 2,100
	£1,001-£2,000	.02T ² + 2T - 7,000	£501-£1,000	.03T ² - 2T - 5,225
	£2,001-£5,000	.01T ² + 42T - 47,000	£1,001-£2,000	.022T ² + 14T - 13,225
	£5,001-£10,000	.002T ² + 102T - 247,000	£2,001-£5,000	.008T ² + 70T - 69,225
	over £10,000	162T - 447,000	£5,001-£10,000 over £10,000	.0012T ² + 138T - 239,225 162T - 359,225

For the income year 1948-49 the basic rate of Social Services Contribution for every £1 of income was 3 pence increasing uniformly by .06 pence for every £1 by which the income exceeded £100. The maximum basic rate was 1s. 6d. in the £1 which was reached at £350 and applied to all incomes over that amount. The concessional rate was the basic rate multiplied by the ratio of the excess of the contributable income over the sum of the concessional allowances to the lesser of the contributable income or £350.

For the income year 1949-50 the basic rate of Social Services Contribution for every £1 of income is 3 pence increasing uniformly by .0375 pence for every £1 by which the income exceeds £100. The maximum basic rate remains at 1s. 6d. in the £1, is reached at £500 and applies to all incomes over that amount. The concessional rate is—

If the contributable income does not exceed the sum of the concessional allowances by more than £100—.03d. multiplied by the excess of the contributable income over the sum of the concessional allowances.

If the contributable income exceeds the sum of the concessional allowances by more than £100 but by less than £500—the rate which would be the basic rate if the contributable income of the contributor were equal to the excess of the contributable income over the sum of the concessional allowances.

In all other cases—1s. 6d.

Taxes on Sample Individual Incomes, p. 694.—The following tables show the Income Tax and Social Services Contribution payable by taxpayers with varying incomes and numbers of dependants on income derived in 1948-49 and in 1949-50 :—

COMMONWEALTH TAXES ON INCOME.

Income.	1948-49 Income Year.			1949-50 Income Year.		
	Income Tax.	Social Services Contribution.	Total.	Income Tax.	Social Services Contribution.	Total.

INCOME FROM PERSONAL EXERTION.—TAXPAYER WITH NO DEPENDANTS.

£	£	£	£	£	£	£
150 .. ..	..	3.75	3.75	..	3.05	3.05
200 .. ..	..	7.50	7.50	..	5.60	5.60
250 .. ..	..	12.50	12.50	..	9.00	9.00
300 .. ..	..	18.75	18.75	..	13.10	13.10
350 .. ..	..	26.25	26.25	..	18.05	18.05
400	4.70	30.00	34.70	..	23.75	23.75
500	15.95	37.50	53.45	..	37.50	37.50
600	29.70	45.00	74.70	8.50	45.00	53.50
800	64.70	60.00	124.70	31.50	60.00	91.50
1,000	109.70	75.00	184.70	62.50	75.00	137.50
1,500	255.55	112.50	368.05	170.85	112.50	283.35
2,000	443.00	150.00	593.00	320.85	150.00	470.85
3,000	897.15	225.00	1,122.15	704.15	225.00	929.15
5,000	2,030.50	375.00	2,405.50	1,720.85	375.00	2,095.85

INCOME FROM PERSONAL EXERTION.—TAXPAYER WITH DEPENDENT WIFE.

£	£	£	£	£	£	£
250 .. ..	..	2.50	2.50	..	1.55	1.55
300 .. ..	..	7.80	7.80	..	4.90	4.90
350 .. ..	..	15.00	15.00	..	9.85	9.85
400 .. ..	..	21.45	21.45	..	14.35	14.35
500 .. ..	..	37.50	37.50	..	25.80	25.80
600	11.05	45.00	56.05	..	40.30	40.30
800	41.30	60.00	101.30	14.35	60.00	74.35
1,000	82.00	75.00	157.00	41.90	75.00	116.90
1,500	218.75	112.50	331.25	142.50	112.50	255.00
2,000	398.50	150.00	548.50	285.55	150.00	435.55
3,000	852.15	225.00	1,077.15	659.15	225.00	884.15
5,000	1,985.50	375.00	2,360.50	1,675.85	375.00	2,050.85

COMMONWEALTH TAXES ON INCOME—*continued.*

Income.	1948-49 Income Year.			1949-50 Income Year.		
	Income Tax.	Social Services Contribution.	Total.	Income Tax.	Social Services Contribution.	Total.
INCOME FROM PERSONAL EXERTION.—TAXPAYER WITH DEPENDENT WIFE AND ONE CHILD.						
£	£	£	£	£	£	£
300 .. ..	..	1.55	1.55	..	0.95	0.95
350 .. ..	..	7.50	7.50	..	4.35	4.35
400 .. ..	..	12.85	12.85	..	8.10	8.10
500 .. ..	..	26.80	26.80	..	17.95	17.95
600 .. ..	..	45.00	45.00	..	30.95	30.95
800	25.75	60.00	85.75	2.90	60.00	62.90
1,000	63.55	75.00	138.55	28.15	75.00	103.15
1,500	194.20	112.50	306.70	123.65	112.50	236.15
2,000	368.85	150.00	518.85	262.00	150.00	412.00
3,000	814.75	225.00	1,039.75	628.20	225.00	853.20
5,000	1,940.50	375.00	2,315.50	1,633.95	375.00	2,008.95

INCOME FROM PERSONAL EXERTION.—TAXPAYER WITH DEPENDENT WIFE AND TWO CHILDREN.

£	£	£	£	£	£	£
350 .. ..	..	3.75	3.75	..	2.20	2.20
400 .. ..	..	8.55	8.55	..	5.00	5.00
500 .. ..	..	21.45	21.45	..	14.05	14.05
600 .. ..	..	38.55	38.55	..	26.25	26.25
800	17.95	60.00	77.95	..	60.00	60.00
1,000	54.30	75.00	129.30	21.25	75.00	96.25
1,500	181.95	112.50	294.45	114.20	112.50	226.70
2,000	354.05	150.00	504.05	250.25	150.00	400.25
3,000	799.75	225.00	1,024.75	613.20	225.00	838.20
5,000	1,925.50	375.00	2,300.50	1,618.95	375.00	1,993.95

INCOME FROM PROPERTY.—TAXPAYER WITH NO DEPENDANTS.

£	£	£	£	£	£	£
150 .. ..	..	3.75	3.75	..	3.05	3.05
200 .. ..	..	7.50	7.50	..	5.60	5.60
250 .. ..	..	12.50	12.50	..	9.00	9.00
300 .. ..	..	18.75	18.75	..	13.10	13.10
350 .. ..	..	26.25	26.25	..	18.05	18.05
400	6.85	30.00	36.85	1.65	23.75	25.40
500	24.35	37.50	61.85	5.30	37.50	42.80
600	45.60	45.00	90.60	18.25	45.00	63.25
800	95.60	60.00	155.60	51.55	60.00	111.55
1,000	155.60	75.00	230.60	94.90	75.00	169.90
1,500	340.00	112.50	452.50	238.65	112.50	351.15
2,000	568.10	150.00	718.10	428.25	150.00	578.25
3,000	1,097.30	225.00	1,322.30	886.55	225.00	1,111.55
5,000	2,330.60	375.00	2,705.60	2,003.25	375.00	2,378.25

CHAPTER XVI.—POPULATION.

§ 2. The Census.

Results of the Censuses, p. 701.—The following table shows the population of each State and Territory as recorded at the final count of the Census of 30th June, 1947:—

POPULATION OF STATES : 1947.

(EXCLUDING FULL-BLOOD ABORIGINALS.)

State or Territory.	30th June, 1947. (Final Count)		
	Males.	Females.	Persons.
New South Wales	1,492,211	1,492,627	2,984,838
Victoria	1,013,867	1,040,834	2,054,701
Queensland	567,471	538,944	1,106,415
South Australia	320,031	326,042	646,073
Western Australia	258,076	244,404	502,480
Tasmania	129,244	127,834	257,078
Northern Territory	7,378	3,490	10,868
Australian Capital Territory	9,092	7,813	16,905
Australia	3,797,370	3,781,988	7,579,358

§ 3. Distribution and Fluctuation of Population.

Growth and Distribution, pp. 703-4, Mean Population, pp. 705-6.—The following table shows the latest population figures for each State and Territory:—

ESTIMATED POPULATION.(a)

(EXCLUDING FULL-BLOOD ABORIGINALS.)

Population—	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aust.
At 31st Dec., 1947—									
Males ..	1,504,350	1,016,950	569,480	324,055	261,689	135,674	7,403	9,270	3,828,871
Females ..	1,503,232	1,044,739	541,341	329,010	247,192	132,841	3,588	7,814	3,809,757
Persons ..	3,007,582	2,061,689	1,110,821	653,065	508,881	268,515	10,991	17,084	7,638,628

PERSONS.

Mean for year ended—									
Dec., 1947(b)	2,985,073	2,053,648	1,105,360	646,294	502,978	257,781	10,891	16,903	7,578,928
June, 1948	3,006,481	2,069,167	1,112,722	652,285	508,860	261,781	11,310	17,596	7,640,202

(a) Excludes Australian defence personnel overseas as from Census, 30th June, 1947. (b) Based on populations revised in accordance with the final results of the 1947 Census.

§ 4. Elements of Increase.

Natural Increase and Total Increase, pp. 718-9 and 724.—The following table shows particulars of natural increase and of total increase during the year 1947:—

POPULATION : NATURAL INCREASE AND TOTAL INCREASE, 1947.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Nor. Terr.	Aust. Cp. Terr.	Aust.
NATURAL INCREASE.(a)									
Persons ..	40,949	25,924	18,242	10,102	8,151	4,777	211	560	108,916
Rate(b) ..	13.72	12.62	16.50	15.63	16.21	18.53	19.37	33.13	14.37
TOTAL INCREASE.(c)									
Persons ..	44,650	21,408	14,138	12,513	11,704	13,916	355	698	119,382

(a) Excess of births over deaths, exclusive of all deaths of defence personnel prior to July, 1947, but inclusive of deaths of defence personnel in Australia from July, 1947 onwards. (b) Excess of births over deaths, as defined in note (a), per 1,000 of mean population revised in accordance with the results of the 1947 Census. (c) Includes deaths of defence personnel, both in Australia and overseas, prior to July, 1947. Subsequently only deaths of defence personnel in Australia have been included. Interstate migration has not been taken into account until July, 1947.

§ 6. General Characteristics.

1. **General, p. 729.**—The information in the following paragraphs provides comparisons of the results of the Census of 30th June, 1947 with those of the Census of 30th June, 1933, or of earlier Censuses.

2. **Age Distribution.**—The age distribution of the population is obtained only at a Census. The following table shows the variation which took place in the age constitution of the population during the 14 years following the 1933 Census. Reference to the graph on page 713 will show regular wave-like movements in the curves depicting age constitution at various Censuses prior to 1947, owing to fluctuations in the birth-rate and in migration. The curve of age constitution for the 1921 Census showed definite troughs in the age-group 0 to 4 years owing to the decline in the birth-rate during the war years, and in the age-group 20 to 24 years owing to the decline in the birth-rate in the late 'nineties of last century and to the loss of young males during the 1914-18 War. At the 1933 Census these same troughs were still prominent, but owing to the lapse of time they then showed at the later ages of 12 to 16 years and 32 to 36 years. But for all ages below about 10 years the curve had been depressed to an extent which was even more marked than in 1921. This was due to a serious decline in the birth-rate, which was intensified in the years immediately prior to 1933 by the economic depression. The ages recorded at a Census are not free from error and are therefore subjected to a process of graduation, or smoothing, to eliminate the effects of the tendency to misstatement at certain ages. These graduated results have been used in the graph on page 713, but not in the table hereunder, as graduated figures for the 1947 Census are not yet available. The figures shown in this table represent the numbers recorded in each age-group after distribution of unspecified ages over the population aged 15 years and upwards.

Of the 7,579,358 persons enumerated at the 1947 Census, 10.0 per cent. were under 5 years of age; 8.0 per cent. were 5 years of age and under 10 years; 7.1 per cent. from 10 to 14 years; 7.7 per cent. 15 to 19 years; and 34.4 per cent. were under age 21. At the 1933 Census 8.6 per cent. were under 5 years; 9.5 per cent. 5 to 9 years; 9.4 per cent. 10 to 14 years; 9.3 per cent. 15 to 19 years; and 38.6 per cent. under 21 years of age.

Owing mainly to the fall in the birth-rate, the numbers of young people in Australia between the ages of 5 to 19 years in 1947 shows a serious decline of 142,680 compared with the numbers in this age-group in 1933. The corresponding increase in this age-group from 1921 to 1933 was 277,154 persons. Although the decrease in the 5 to 19 years age-group in 1947 is offset by an increase of 191,422 persons in the age-group 0 to 4 years, the proportion of persons under 21 years of age in Australia has decreased from 38.6 per cent. in 1933 to 34.4 per cent. in 1947 whilst the proportion of persons aged 21 years and over has increased from 61.4 per cent. to 65.6 per cent. over the same period.

POPULATION: ADJUSTED AGE DISTRIBUTION(a) AUSTRALIA, 1933 AND 1947.
(EXCLUDING FULL-BLOOD ABORIGINALS.)

Age last Birthday. (Years).	Census, 30th June, 1933.			Census, 30th June, 1947.			Increase 1933-47.
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	
0-4	290,461	278,504	568,965	388,301	372,086	760,387	191,422
5-9	318,937	308,443	627,380	307,697	296,286	603,983	-23,397
10-14	317,326	307,666	625,222	271,761	262,922	534,683	-90,539
15-19	311,792	303,618	615,410	297,524	289,142	586,666	-28,744
20-24	298,001	286,617	584,618	309,490	308,464	617,954	33,336
25-29	277,462	256,508	533,970	297,497	300,889	598,386	64,416
30-34	251,515	237,664	489,179	297,531	300,567	598,098	108,919
35-39	228,660	237,493	466,153	285,309	275,637	560,946	94,793
40-44	229,822	226,469	456,291	258,008	238,284	496,292	40,001
45-49	209,325	199,388	408,713	236,381	229,347	465,728	57,015
50-54	171,688	162,774	334,462	207,515	217,473	424,988	90,526
55-59	132,314	128,857	261,171	198,928	198,521	397,449	136,278
60-64	114,859	113,746	228,605	159,157	164,552	323,709	95,104
65-69	92,946	90,499	183,445	116,511	126,863	243,374	59,929
70-74	66,018	64,282	130,300	76,919	90,481	167,400	37,100
75-79	35,920	36,255	72,175	50,914	61,079	111,993	39,818
80-84	13,862	15,736	29,598	26,218	32,696	58,914	29,316
85-89	4,640	6,234	10,874	9,627	13,301	22,928	12,054
90-94	1,148	1,607	2,755	1,815	2,938	4,753	1,998
95-99	184	306	490	252	439	691	201
100 and over	31	32	63	15	21	36	-27
Total	3,367,111	3,262,728	6,629,839	3,797,370	3,781,988	7,579,358	949,519
Under 21 years	1,300,183	1,257,814	2,557,997	1,324,605	1,280,353	2,604,958	46,961
21 years and over	2,066,928	2,004,914	4,071,842	2,472,765	2,501,635	4,974,400	902,558
Total	3,367,111	3,262,728	6,629,839	3,797,370	3,781,988	7,579,358	949,519

(a) Unspecified ages have been distributed over the population aged 15 years and upwards.

NOTE.—Minus sign (-) denotes decrease.

The next table shows the change which has been taking place in the age constitution of the population of Australia since 1871. Each successive Census except 1921 has revealed a larger percentage of the population 15 years of age and over than was recorded at the previous Census.

POPULATION : AGE DISTRIBUTION, AUSTRALIA, 1871 TO 1947.

Census Year.	Males.				Females.				Persons.			
	Under 15 years.	15 and under 65.	65 and over.	Total.	Under 15 years.	15 and under 65.	65 and over.	Total.	Under 15 years.	15 and under 65.	65 and over.	Total.
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
1871	38.84	59.11	2.05	100	46.02	52.60	1.38	100	42.09	56.17	1.74	100
1881	36.36	60.81	2.83	100	41.86	56.03	2.11	100	38.89	58.61	2.30	100
1891	34.80	62.01	3.19	100	39.38	58.09	2.53	100	36.92	60.19	2.89	100
1901	33.89	61.80	4.31	100	36.51	59.88	3.61	100	35.14	60.88	3.98	100
1911	30.84	64.82	4.34	100	32.52	63.28	4.20	100	31.65	64.08	4.27	100
1921	31.64	63.88	4.48	100	31.79	63.83	4.38	100	31.71	63.86	4.43	100
1933	27.53	66.09	6.38	100	27.42	65.99	6.59	100	27.48	66.04	6.48	100
1947	25.48	67.08	7.44	100	24.63	66.71	8.66	100	25.05	66.90	8.05	100

3. **Conjugal Condition.**—Of the total population of Australia at the 1947 Census, 47.3 per cent. had never married; 46.4 per cent. were married; 5.6 per cent. widowed; and 0.7 per cent. divorced. Since the 1933 Census the number never married had decreased by 2.4 per cent.; those married increased by 35.2 per cent.; the widowed by 28.4 per cent.; and the divorced by 148 per cent.

From a demographic point of view the most important change in the conjugal condition of the population of Australia since 1933 was the decrease in the number of persons who had never married and the relative increase in the number of married persons. In 1947, 62.0 per cent. of all persons 15 years of age and over, who stated their conjugal condition, were married, compared with 54.2 per cent. in 1933. If the latter percentage had obtained in 1947 there would have been approximately 440,000 fewer married persons at 30th June, 1947.

The number of widowed females recorded in Australia in 1947 was 309,383, or nearly three times as many as the number of widowed males. This disparity is the result of two influences. The first is the greater longevity of females coupled with the usually younger age at marriage; and the second is that a larger proportion of males cancel their widowhood by remarriage.

The number of divorced persons increased by 31,280 between 1933 and 1947 compared with an increase of 12,585 between 1921 and 1933. The numbers of divorced males and females at 30th June, 1933 in this table differ slightly from those shown on page 279 where the conjugal conditions of those for whom particulars were not given at the Census have been distributed proportionately among the various groups.

POPULATION : CONJUGAL CONDITION, AUSTRALIA, 1933 AND 1947.

(EXCLUDING FULL-BLOOD ABORIGINALS.)

Conjugal Condition.	Census, 30th June, 1933.			Census, 30th June, 1947.			Increase 1933-47.
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	
Never Married—							
Under age 15 ..	926,924	894,643	1,821,567	967,759	931,294	1,899,053	77,486
Age 15 and over ..	1,018,587	825,448	1,844,035	929,212	748,414	1,677,626	-166,409
Total	1,945,511	1,720,091	3,665,602	1,896,971	1,679,708	3,576,679	-88,923
Married(a)	1,299,693	1,293,922	2,593,615	1,751,635	1,754,775	3,506,410	912,795
Widowed	97,775	230,130	327,905	111,680	309,383	421,063	93,168
Divorced	10,251	10,862	21,113	24,952	27,441	52,393	31,280
Not Stated	13,881	7,673	21,554	12,132	10,681	22,813	1,259
Total	3,367,111	3,262,728	6,629,839	3,797,370	3,781,988	7,579,358	949,519

(a) Includes persons permanently separated (legally or otherwise).

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes decrease.

4. **Dependent Children under 16 years of age.**—At the 1947 Census 927,453 males and 66,418 females stated they had children under 16 years of age dependent on them at 30th June, 1947, the total number of dependent children under age 16 claimed being 1,962,791, of whom 1,853,314 or 94.4 per cent. were dependent on males and 109,477 or 5.6 per cent. were dependent on females. This represented an average of 2.00 for each male with dependent children and 1.65 for each female with dependent children.

Forty-three per cent. of the males with dependent children under 16 years of age had one dependent child; 32 per cent. two children; 15 per cent. three children; 6 per cent. four children; 2 per cent. five children; and 2 per cent. more than five children. Of the females with dependent children under 16 years of age, 60 per cent. had one dependent child; 25 per cent. two children; 9 per cent. three children; 4 per cent. four children; 1 per cent. five children; and 1 per cent. more than five children.

Compared with 1933, the number of children dependent on persons with one, two or three dependent children increased by 234,521, but this increase was largely offset by decreases in the number of children dependent on persons with four or more dependent children. Although persons with dependent children increased by 127,759, the number of children under 16 years dependent on such persons increased by only 42,932.

POPULATION : PERSONS WITH DEPENDENT CHILDREN UNDER SIXTEEN YEARS OF AGE, AUSTRALIA, 1933 AND 1947.

(EXCLUDING FULL-BLOOD ABORIGINALS.)

Number of Dependent Children.	Census, 30th June, 1933.				Census, 30th June, 1947.				Increase 1933-47.	
	Number of Persons with Dependent Children.			Total Number of Dependent Children.	Number of Persons with Dependent Children.			Total Number of Dependent Children.	Persons.	Dependent Children.
	Males.	Fe-males.	Per-sons.		Males.	Fe-males.	Per-sons.			
1	306,695	34,823	341,518	341,518	401,464	39,683	441,147	441,147	99,629	99,629
2	233,167	14,631	247,798	495,596	291,739	16,482	308,221	616,442	60,423	120,846
3	131,646	6,724	138,370	415,110	136,819	6,233	143,052	429,156	4,682	14,046
4	69,485	3,067	72,552	290,208	57,036	2,578	59,614	238,456	- 12,938	- 51,752
5	34,676	1,337	36,013	180,065	23,223	1,036	24,259	121,295	- 11,754	- 58,770
6	17,270	557	17,827	106,962	10,395	263	10,658	63,948	- 7,169	- 43,014
7	7,497	185	7,682	53,774	4,114	96	4,210	29,470	- 3,472	- 24,304
8	2,931	75	3,006	24,048	1,753	35	1,788	14,304	- 1,218	- 9,744
9	964	15	979	8,811	697	11	708	6,372	- 271	- 2,439
10	281	3	284	2,840	167	1	168	1,680	- 116	- 1,160
11	69	..	69	759	37	..	37	407	- 32	- 352
12	14	..	14	168	4	..	4	48	- 10	- 120
13	..	..	..	..	4	..	4	52	4	52
14	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	14	1	14
Total	804,695	61,417	866,112	1,919,859	927,453	66,418	993,871	1,962,791	127,759	42,932

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes decrease.

5. **Religion.**—At the 1921 Census 92,258 persons in Australia, or 1.7 per cent., gave no reply to this question, but in 1933 and again at the 1947 Census, when the public was informed there was no legal obligation to answer this question, 848,948 persons, or 12.8 per cent., and 824,824 or 10.9 per cent., respectively, gave no reply. Of males 11.7 per cent. and of females 10.0 per cent. did not state their religion in 1947.

Of those who stated their religion, the greatest numerical increase during the intercensal period between 1933 and 1947 was recorded by the Church of England, followed by the Roman Catholic and Catholic (so described), which it is thought may be grouped without serious error, as the latter term usually signifies Roman Catholic. Then followed Methodist, Presbyterian and Church of Christ in that order. Amongst the denominations with the largest number of adherents, the greatest proportional increases since 1933 were recorded by Methodists, 27.4 per cent.; Roman Catholic and Catholic combined, 21.8 per cent.; Church of England, 15.3 per cent.; and Presbyterian, 4.2 per cent.

In 1933 and again in 1947, 99 per cent. of those who stated their religion professed the Christian faith. Since the previous Census, the number who stated they were of non-Christian religion increased by 28 per cent., and those specifically stating they had no religion increased by 71 per cent.

POPULATION : RELIGION, AUSTRALIA, 1933 AND 1947.

(EXCLUDING FULL-BLOOD ABORIGINALS.)

Religion.	Census, 30th June, 1933.			Census, 30th June, 1947.			Increase, 1933-47.
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	
Christian—							
Baptist	49,654	56,220	105,874	53,197	60,330	113,527	7,653
Brethren	4,501	5,542	10,043	5,807	7,195	13,002	2,959
Catholic, Greek	8,435	3,476	11,911	10,078	6,934	17,012	5,101
Catholic, Roman(a)	577,997	583,458	1,161,455	325,163	288,023	613,186	548,269
Catholic, undefined(a)	63,861	63,681	127,542	448,959	507,581	956,540	828,998
Church of Christ	28,820	33,934	62,754	33,276	38,495	71,771	9,017
Church of England	1,297,589	1,267,529	2,565,118	1,480,527	1,476,505	2,957,032	391,914
Congregational	39,411	34,791	65,202	29,364	33,879	63,243	1,959
Lutheran	32,569	28,234	60,803	34,854	32,037	66,891	6,088
Methodist	331,602	352,420	684,022	425,745	445,680	871,425	187,403
Presbyterian	356,743	356,486	713,229	366,892	376,648	743,540	30,311
Protestant, undefined	37,750	35,014	72,764	36,708	36,562	73,270	506
Salvation Army	14,297	16,913	31,210	17,542	20,030	37,572	6,362
Seventh Day Adventist	5,992	7,973	13,965	7,453	10,097	17,550	3,585
Other	19,605	22,241	41,846	27,492	29,883	57,375	15,529
Total Christian	2,859,826	2,867,912	5,727,738	3,303,057	3,369,879	6,672,936	945,198
Non-Christian—							
Buddhist	640	95	735	349	62	411	324
Chinese	298	7	305	125	33	158	147
Confucian	772	15	787	307	50	357	430
Hebrew	12,183	11,370	23,553	16,426	15,593	32,019	8,466
Mohammedan	1,668	209	1,877	2,334	370	2,704	827
Other	865	348	1,213	621	292	913	300
Total Non-Christian	16,426	12,044	28,470	20,162	16,400	36,562	8,092
Indefinite	5,181	4,085	9,266	9,838	8,870	18,708	9,442
No Religion	11,921	3,496	15,417	18,888	7,440	26,328	10,911
No Reply	473,757	375,191	848,948	445,425	379,399	824,824	24,124
Total	3,367,111	3,262,728	6,629,839	3,797,370	3,781,988	7,579,358	949,519

(a) So described in individual Census Schedules.

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes decrease.

6. **Birthplace.**—At 30th June, 1947, the Australian-born element of the population of Australia represented 90.2 per cent. as compared with 86.4 per cent. at the 1933 Census. The number of Australian-born increased by 1,108,605 or by 19.4 per cent. since 1933.

On the other hand the overseas-born population declined during the same period by 159,086 or by 17.6 per cent. The principal contribution to the decline of the overseas-born population was the decrease of approximately 171,000 in the number of persons born in the British Isles.

There was little change during the intercensal period in the number of persons of Asiatic, African or American birthplace, but persons born in these continents form a very small percentage of the population of Australia.

Of persons born outside Australia, 56 per cent. were males and 44 per cent. females.

POPULATION : BIRTHPLACES, AUSTRALIA, 1933 AND 1947.

(EXCLUDING FULL-BLOOD ABORIGINALS.)

Birthplace.	Census, 30th June, 1933.			Census, 30th June, 1947.			Increase. 1933-47.
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	
Australia	2,848,282	2,878,284	5,726,566	3,380,324	3,454,847	6,835,171	1,108,605
New Zealand .. .	23,837	22,126	45,963	21,890	21,720	43,610	2,353
Other Australasian .. .	468	306	774	776	810	1,586	812
Total Australasia .. .	2,872,587	2,900,716	5,773,303	3,402,990	3,477,377	6,880,367	1,107,064
England	268,849	217,982	486,831	205,330	176,262	381,592	105,239
Wales	8,492	5,994	14,486	6,859	5,005	11,864	2,622
Scotland	73,488	59,001	132,489	55,734	47,264	102,998	29,491
Ireland	41,576	37,076	78,652	23,943	20,870	44,813	33,839
Germany	10,826	6,016	16,842	8,955	5,612	14,567	2,274
Greece	6,548	1,789	8,337	9,115	3,176	12,291	3,955
Italy	20,064	6,692	26,756	22,506	11,126	33,632	6,876
Other European .. .	31,456	11,790	43,246	33,003	16,846	49,849	6,603
Total Europe	461,299	346,340	807,639	365,445	286,161	651,606	156,033
British India and Ceylon .. .	4,955	2,457	7,412	5,247	2,913	8,160	748
China	8,072	507	8,579	5,135	1,269	6,404	2,175
Other Asiatic .. .	6,279	2,289	8,568	5,708	3,824	9,532	964
Total Asia	19,306	5,253	24,559	16,090	8,006	24,096	463
Union of South Africa .. .	3,271	2,908	6,179	3,071	2,795	5,866	313
Other African	926	716	1,642	906	765	1,671	29
Total Africa	4,197	3,624	7,821	3,977	3,560	7,537	284
Canada	2,621	1,299	3,920	2,300	1,709	4,009	89
United States of America .. .	3,569	2,497	6,066	3,794	2,438	6,232	166
Other American .. .	965	628	1,593	783	606	1,389	204
Total America	7,155	4,424	11,579	6,877	4,753	11,630	51
Polynesia	1,582	1,305	2,887	1,526	1,619	3,145	258
At Sea	985	1,066	2,051	465	512	977	1,074
Total	3,367,111	3,262,728	6,629,839	3,797,370	3,781,988	7,579,358	949,519

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes decrease.

7. **Period of Residence in Australia.**—The decline, until recently, in immigration into Australia is reflected in the figures in this table, which classifies the immigrant population of Australia according to period of residence in Australia. They show that, of persons born outside Australia who stated their period of residence, 5.7 per cent. had resided in Australia for a period of less than 5 years, 11.2 per cent. for less than 10 years, and 14.8 per cent. for less than 15 years, compared with 5.7, 25.5 and 39.5 per cent. respectively at the previous Census in 1933.

IMMIGRANT POPULATION : PERIOD OF RESIDENCE, AUSTRALIA, 1933 AND 1947.
PERSONS BORN OUTSIDE AUSTRALIA.

Number of Completed Years of Residence.	Census, 30th June, 1933.			Census, 30th June, 1947.			Increase, 1933-47.
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	
0	7,407	2,783	10,190	16,660	9,953	26,613	16,423
1	2,133	1,856	3,989	4,116	4,953	9,069	5,080
2	2,243	2,277	4,520	2,124	1,322	3,446	— 1,074
3	5,683	5,411	11,094	822	462	1,284	— 9,810
4	10,761	9,121	19,882	671	319	990	— 18,892
0-4	28,227	21,448	49,675	24,393	17,009	41,402	— 8,273
5-9	104,664	68,661	173,325	22,435	17,066	39,501	— 133,824
10-14	66,084	56,688	122,760	13,507	12,760	26,276	— 96,493
15-19	26,987	26,098	53,085	28,647	25,605	54,252	1,167
20-24	113,060	77,714	190,774	92,599	60,211	152,810	— 37,964
25-29	23,203	10,938	34,141	43,338	41,432	84,770	50,629
30-34	16,473	8,131	24,604	41,394	39,367	80,761	55,937
35-39	11,187	6,304	17,491	74,005	47,568	121,573	104,082
40-44	22,110	17,196	39,306	14,111	7,327	21,438	— 17,868
45-49	36,670	28,207	64,877	8,822	5,424	14,246	— 50,721
50-54	27,147	20,486	47,633	6,518	5,543	12,061	— 35,572
55-59	11,412	9,432	20,844	9,953	9,701	19,654	1,190
60-64	5,739	5,427	11,166	15,301	16,049	31,350	20,184
65-69	3,751	4,424	8,175	5,861	6,293	12,154	3,979
70-74	2,937	3,673	6,610	2,857	3,495	6,352	258
75-79	2,672	4,050	6,722	816	1,056	1,872	— 4,850
80-84	1,246	1,926	3,172	576	874	1,450	— 1,722
85-89	113	167	280	165	258	423	143
90-94	26	44	70	70	182	252	182
95-99	3	5	8	5	13	18	10
100 and over ..	1	1	1	1	1	2	1
Not Stated	15,118	13,137	28,255	11,672	9,898	21,570	— 6,685
Born outside Australia ..	518,829	384,444	903,273	417,046	327,141	744,187	— 159,086
Born in Australia ..	2,848,282	2,878,284	5,726,566	3,380,324	3,454,847	6,835,171	1,108,605
Total	3,367,111	2,622,728	6,629,839	3,797,370	3,781,988	7,579,358	949,519

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes decrease.

8. **Nationality.**—The number of foreign nationals in Australia decreased since the 1933 Census by 36 per cent.—males by 40 per cent. and females by 18 per cent.—as compared with an increase of 15 per cent. in the number of British nationality. There was little change, however, in the proportion of foreign nationals relative to the total population, 99.5 per cent. of the population being British subjects, as compared with 99.1 per cent. at the previous Census. The principal foreign nationals in Australia were Italian, 7,172; Chinese, 4,858; Greek, 4,504; United States of America, 3,351; German, 2,361; Yugoslav, 2,096; and Dutch, 2,001.

The number of persons in Australia who were born in countries outside the British Empire totalled approximately 128,000, and of this number 38,653, or 30 per cent., were of foreign nationality at 30th June, 1947, the remainder being British subjects, mainly by naturalization.

POPULATION : NATIONALITY (i.e., ALLEGIANCE), AUSTRALIA, 1933 AND 1947.
(EXCLUDING FULL-BLOOD ABORIGINALS.)

Nationality.	Census, 30th June, 1933.			Census, 30th June, 1947.			Increase, 1933-47.
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	
British	3,318,228	3,251,290	6,569,518	3,768,091	3,772,614	7,540,705	971,187
Foreign—							
American (U.S.) ..	1,904	653	2,557	2,474	877	3,351	794
Chinese	7,615	177	7,792	4,329	529	4,858	— 2,934
Danish	1,046	233	1,279	393	89	482	— 797
Dutch	786	129	915	1,408	593	2,001	1,086
Estonian	515	323	838	159	96	255	— 583
Finnish	962	100	1,062	381	43	424	— 638
French	924	723	1,647	770	551	1,321	— 326
German	2,738	934	3,672	1,669	692	2,361	— 1,311
Greek	4,639	1,013	5,652	3,720	784	4,504	— 1,148
Italian	14,068	3,590	17,658	5,473	1,099	7,172	— 10,486
Japanese	1,937	147	2,084	70	8	78	— 2,006
Norwegian	1,150	88	1,238	685	60	745	— 493
Polish	1,008	749	1,757	839	721	1,560	— 197
Russian	1,283	772	2,055	333	210	543	— 1,512
Spanish	463	133	596	158	50	208	— 388
Swedish	1,274	96	1,370	548	47	595	— 775
Swiss	680	272	952	321	127	448	— 504
Yugoslav	2,503	323	2,826	1,753	343	2,096	— 730
Other	3,347	962	4,309	3,796	1,855	5,651	1,342
Total Foreign ..	48,842	11,417	60,259	29,279	9,374	38,653	— 21,606
Not Stated	41	21	62	..	..	..	— 62
Total	3,367,111	3,262,728	6,629,839	3,797,370	3,781,988	7,579,358	949,519

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes decrease.

9. Race.—The people of Australia may be classified into two groups with respect to racial characteristics, namely, non-indigenous and indigenous. The former group comprises the European and other races who have migrated to Australia and their descendants born in Australia, while the latter group consists of the full-blood aboriginal natives of Australia whose estimated number at 30th June, 1944 was about 47,000, but who are not included in the general population figures of Australia. The non-indigenous population of Australia is fundamentally British in race and nationality.

At the 30th June, 1947, 7,524,129 persons or 99.3 per cent. of the population were of full-blood European race and 0.7 per cent. of non-European and half-caste. Full-blood non-Europeans decreased from 22,780 in 1933 to 21,495 in 1947, but the number of half-castes increased from 27,066 to 33,734 during the same period.

The principal full-blood non-Europeans in Australia were Chinese, 9,144; Polynesian, 5,332; Natives of India, 2,480; and Syrian, 1,675; while half-caste Australian aboriginals, who increased from 20,620 in 1933 to 27,179 in 1947, represented 80.6 per cent. of the total half-caste population.

POPULATION : RACE, AUSTRALIA, 1933 AND 1947.

(EXCLUDING FULL-BLOOD ABORIGINALS.)

Race.	Census, 30th June, 1933.			Census, 30th June, 1947.			Increase, 1933-47.
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	
Full-blood— European	3,334,775	3,245,218	6,579,993	3,765,238	3,758,891	7,524,129	944,136
Non-European— Chinese	9,311	1,535	10,846	6,594	2,550	9,144	1,702
Cingalese	196	78	274	97	53	150	124
Filipino	214	78	292	133	102	235	57
Indian (a)	2,216	188	2,404	2,278	202	2,480	76
Japanese	2,007	234	2,241	108	49	157	2,084
Malay	813	156	969	425	135	580	389
Polynesian(b)	1,185	562	1,747	2,840	2,492	5,332	3,585
Syrian	1,553	1,327	2,880	888	787	1,675	1,205
Other	814	313	1,127	1,244	498	1,742	615
Total Non-European Full-blood	18,309	4,471	22,780	14,607	6,888	21,495	1,285
Half-caste— Australian Aboriginal	10,631	9,989	20,620	14,026	13,153	27,179	6,559
Chinese	1,901	1,602	3,503	1,599	1,351	2,950	553
Indian (a)	360	334	694	235	183	418	276
Japanese	116	109	225	32	24	56	169
Negro	119	89	208	79	45	124	84
Polynesian (b)	295	294	589	359	353	712	123
Syrian	149	153	302	111	112	223	79
Other	456	469	925	1,084	988	2,072	1,147
Total Half-caste	14,027	13,039	27,066	17,525	16,209	33,734	6,668
Total	3,367,111	3,262,728	6,629,839	3,797,370	3,781,988	7,579,358	949,519

(a) Native of India.

(b) Includes Maori, Fijian, Papuan, and Torres Strait Islanders.
NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes decrease.

10. **Industry.**—In the following table the male and female populations of Australia are classified according to the industry in which they are usually engaged. If the 124,439 persons (84,673 males and 39,766 females) for whom no particulars regarding industry were given on the Census schedules are included, the number of persons "in the work force" is 3,196,431, of whom 2,479,269 were males and 717,162 were females. It is believed that subsequent tabulations will furnish evidence to enable most, if not all, of the 124,439 persons in "Industry Not Stated" to be included in the work force. The remainder of the population, totalling 4,382,927 (1,318,101 males and 3,064,826 females), were classified as not being in the work force. The term "in the work force" includes persons of all ages who are employers, self-employed or working on their own account, wage and salary earners, unpaid helpers engaged in industry, and those who usually work for their living but who have lost their jobs.

Persons who do not earn their living by doing work for monetary reward, such as children, housewives, full-time students, retired persons, pensioners, and permanent inmates of institutions are regarded as not being in the work force.

On the average, 65 in every 100 of the male population and 19 in every 100 of the female population were in the work force, or in other words there were, in 1947, 3½ males to every female in the work force.

Of the males in the work force who stated their industry, those engaged in Manufacturing represented the largest proportion, namely 27.0 per cent., followed next in order by those in Primary Production, 19.8 per cent.; Commerce, 11.6 per cent.; Transport and Storage, 9.7 per cent.; Building and Construction 9.7 per cent.; and Public Authority (n.e.i.) and Professional Activities, 8.8 per cent.

As with the males, females in the work force who stated their industry were most largely engaged in Manufacturing, 27.2 per cent.; followed next in order by those in Public Authorities (n.e.i.) and Professional Activities, 20.6 per cent.; Amusement, Hotels, Cafés, Personal Service, etc., 19.2 per cent.; and Commerce, 18.8 per cent.

POPULATION : NUMBER ENGAGED IN INDUSTRY, AUSTRALIA, 1947.
(EXCLUDING FULL-BLOOD ABORIGINALS.)

Industry Group.	Census, 30th June, 1947.		
	Males.	Females.	Persons.
Primary Production—			
Fishing, Hunting and Trapping	16,311	82	16,393
Agriculture, Grazing and Dairying—			
Agriculture and Mixed Farming	232,682	7,958	240,640
Grazing	89,331	4,938	94,269
Dairying	96,308	10,018	106,326
Other	16,671	1,396	18,067
Total Agriculture, etc.	435,192	24,310	459,502
Forestry	22,078	40	22,124
Total	473,581	24,438	498,019
Mining and Quarrying	53,838	553	54,391
Manufacturing—			
Founding, Engineering and Metalworking (in- cluding Shipbuilding)	190,687	17,918	208,605
Manufacture of Clothing	19,904	69,309	89,213
Manufacture of Food and Drink	94,999	18,984	113,983
Paper, Printing, Bookbinding and Photography	42,557	15,148	57,705
Other, including Inadequately Described	297,571	62,723	360,294
Total	645,718	184,082	829,800
Building and Construction—			
Construction and Repair of Buildings	120,777	914	121,691
Construction Works and Maintenance (other than Buildings)	110,222	385	110,607
Total, including Inadequately Described	231,134	1,299	232,433
Transport and Storage—			
Road Transport and Storage	105,732	4,922	110,654
Shipping and Loading and Discharging Vessels	48,695	1,666	50,361
Rail and Air Transport	73,944	6,926	80,870
Total, including Inadequately Described	232,539	13,837	246,376
Communication	34,534	14,657	49,191
Finance and Property	52,443	21,268	73,711
Commerce	278,026	127,493	405,519
Public Authority n.e.i. and Professional Activities	209,436	139,375	348,811
Amusement, Hotels, Cafés, Personal Service, etc.	95,240	130,326	225,566
Other and Inadequately Described Industries	88,107	26,068	114,175
Industry Not Stated	84,673	39,766	124,439
Persons not in Work Force	1,318,101	3,061,826	4,382,927
Grand Total	3,797,370	3,781,988	7,579,358

11. **Occupational Status.**—The term "occupational status" has been substituted for "grade of occupation" formerly in use, and it relates to the capacity in which persons are engaged in the various branches of industry.

The number of employers in Australia at 30th June, 1947 was 221,289 compared with 207,680 at the previous Census. Persons who were self-employed or working on their own account increased from 369,375 in 1933 to 387,137 in 1947. Of the males in the work force, 74.4 per cent. were employees receiving wages or salaries at 30th June, 1947, and the corresponding proportion of female employees receiving wages or salaries was 87.3 per cent.

Persons not at work, consisting of the unemployed and those not actively seeking a job at 30th June, 1947, amounted to 82,774, consisting of 66,009 males and 16,765 females.

At the Census of 30th June, 1947, 29,013 persons gave no answer to the question regarding occupational status, but, as with persons for whom no industry was stated, it is believed that subsequent tabulations will disclose that the majority, if not all, of these persons should be classified to the work force.

In 1933, wage-earners who were employed part-time were asked to indicate that fact on the Census Schedule in answer to the question regarding occupational status, and all those who so described themselves are included in the work force for that year. In 1947, however, persons working regularly, but for considerably less than normal working hours, were instructed on the Census Schedule to exclude themselves from the work force, unless their earnings from such work formed their principal means of livelihood.

POPULATION: OCCUPATIONAL STATUS, AUSTRALIA, 1933 AND 1947.
(EXCLUDING FULL-BLOOD ABORIGINALS.)

Occupational Status.	Census, 30th June, 1933.			Census, 30th June, 1947.			Increase 1933-47.
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	
In Work Force—							
At Work—							
Employer	186,849	20,831	207,680	196,932	24,357	221,289	13,609
Self-employed .. .	318,951	50,424	369,375	342,650	44,487	387,137	17,762
Employee (on wage or salary)	1,184,002	434,502	1,618,504	1,827,072	620,421	2,447,493	828,989
Helper (not on wage or salary)	40,754	5,262	46,016	24,227	4,498	28,725	— 17,291
Total at Work .. .	1,730,556	511,019	2,241,575	2,390,881	693,763	3,084,644	843,069
Not at Work (a) .. .	405,269	75,775	481,044	66,009	16,765	82,774	— 398,270
Total in Work Force	2,135,825	586,794	2,722,619	2,456,890	710,528	3,167,418	444,799
Not in Work Force (b) .. .	1,226,806	674,756	3,901,562	1,318,101	3,064,826	4,382,927	481,365
Not Stated	4,480	1,178	5,658	22,379	6,634	29,013	23,355
Grand Total	3,367,111	1,262,728	4,629,839	3,797,370	3,781,988	7,579,358	949,519

(a) Includes persons who were (1) unable to secure employment; (2) temporarily laid off from their jobs; and (3) not actively seeking work at the time of the Census on account of sickness or accident, industrial dispute, resting between jobs or for any other reason. (b) See last preceding paragraph above.

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes decrease.

12. **Other General Characteristics.**—Questions regarding orphanhood, and the ability to read and write a foreign language, of persons who could not read and write English, were not asked on the schedules of the 1947 Census. Consequently, the latest Census data available concerning these questions are those of the 1933 Census, as published in previous issues of the Year Book.

Details of the causes and duration of unemployment of persons who stated that they were out of work at the time of the 1947 Census are not yet available.

§ 8. Oversea Migration.

Classes of Arrivals and Departures, p. 733.—Arrivals and departures during 1947 were:—Permanent new arrivals, 31,765; Australian residents returning from abroad, 18,305; temporary visitors arriving, 17,698; total arrivals, 67,768: Australian residents departing permanently, 19,579; Australian residents departing temporarily, 18,764; temporary visitors departing, 18,814; total departures, 57,157. Permanent migration refers to persons, other than Australian troops and dependants, intending residence for a year or more—in Australia in the case of arrivals and abroad in the case of departures. Temporary migration refers to persons intending residence for shorter periods and, as from 1st July, 1947, Australian troops and dependants, irrespective of period of residence. For the six months ended June, 1947, all figures exclude troop movements.

CHAPTER XVII.—VITAL STATISTICS.

§ 1. Marriages. § 2. Fertility and Reproduction, and § 3. Mortality.

Numbers and Rates, pp. 742-3, 754-5, 767-8 and 772.—The following table shows totals and rates for marriages, births, deaths, and infant deaths for 1947:—

MARRIAGES, BIRTHS, DEATHS AND INFANTILE DEATHS, 1947.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aust.
Marriages	30,172	20,437	10,999	6,668	5,282	2,584	124	191	76,457
Rate (a)	10.11	9.95	9.95	10.32	10.50	10.02	11.39	11.30	10.09
Births	69,398	47,366	28,358	16,317	12,874	7,140	276	655	182,384
Rate(a)	23.25	23.06	25.65	25.25	25.60	27.70	25.34	38.75	24.06
Deaths	28,449	21,442	10,116	6,215	4,723	2,363	65	95	73,468
Rate(a)	9.53	10.44	9.15	9.62	9.39	9.17	5.97	5.62	9.69
Infantile Deaths	2,069	1,245	874	396	398	195	12	13	5,202
Rate(b)	29.81	26.28	30.82	24.27	30.92	27.31	43.48	19.85	28.52

(a) Number per 1,000 of mean population revised in accordance with the final results of the 1947 Census. (b) Number of deaths under 1 year per 1,000 of live births registered.

CHAPTER XVIII.—MINERAL INDUSTRY.

§ 1. The Mineral Wealth of Australia.

Quantity and Value of Production, pp. 808-9.—In the table hereunder particulars are given of the quantity and value of production in Australia of the principal minerals during the years 1946 and 1947:—

MINERAL PRODUCTION: QUANTITIES AND VALUES, AUSTRALIA.

Year.	Coal.		Copper and Copper Ore.	Gold.	Iron-stone and Ore.	Lead.	Silver.	Silver-lead Ore, Concentrates.	Tin and Tin Ore.	Zinc and Concentrates.	All Minerals.
	Black.	Brown.									

QUANTITIES.

	'000 tons.	'000 tons.	Tons.	Fine oz.	'000 tons.	Tons.	'000 oz.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	
1946	13,882	5,707	19,160	324,480	1,833	19,682	2,185	215,928	2,460	303,132	..
1947	14,831	6,140	14,040	937,654	2,156	37,330	3,342	212,432	2,909	293,149	..

VALUES (£'000.).

1946	13,535	706	1,715	8,873	2,104	969	470	6,971	743	2,698	40,547
1947	15,701	937	1,693	10,092	2,470	3,149	625	10,555	1,026	4,809	53,549

CHAPTER XIX.—PASTORAL PRODUCTION.

Live-stock, Meat and Wool Produced.—The following table shows, for each State, the numbers of live-stock at 31st March, 1948, and the amounts of meat and wool produced during 1946-47 and 1947-48 :—

LIVE-STOCK, MEAT AND WOOL PRODUCED.

Period.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	N.Terr.	A.C.T.	Australia.
HORSES ('000.), p. 860.									
1948 ..	376.1	221.5	335.6	100.6	74.5	23.1	32.3	1.0	1,164.7
CATTLE ('000.), p. 862.									
1948 ..	3,129.8	2,174.2	5,975.5	445.3	815.6	244.1	991.4	8.7	13,784.6
SHEEP ('000.), p. 866.									
1948 ..	46,065.0	17,931.2	16,742.6	9,055.2	10,443.8	2,086.5	19.1	215.2	102,558.6
PIGS ('000.), p. 988.									
1948 ..	365.2	271.5	378.1	100.3	93.2	45.1	0.7	0.6	1,254.7
BEEF, INCLUDING VEAL ('000 TONS BONE-IN WEIGHT), p. 864.									
1946-47..	139.9	95.6	190.2	24.4	26.3	8.2	2.7	0.5	487.8
1947-48(a)	160.3	102.4	232.0	26.1	29.3	7.2	3.2	0.6	561.1
MUTTON AND LAMB ('000 TONS BONE-IN WEIGHT), p. 869.									
1946-47..	110.1	111.7	18.7	31.6	22.5	7.2	..	0.8	302.6
1947-48(a)	104.3	106.3	19.3	33.3	24.1	6.7	..	0.9	294.9
TOTAL MEAT (INCLUDING PIGMEATS) IN TERMS OF FRESH ('000 TONS BONE-IN WEIGHT).									
1946-47..	277.9	229.3	231.4	65.8	58.6	18.0	2.8	1.4	885.2
1947-48(a)	287.6	230.5	272.3	69.1	61.0	16.9	3.3	1.5	942.2
WOOL (AS IN THE GREASE) PRODUCED ('000 lb.), p. 872.									
Season—					(b)		(c)		
1946-47	433,621	197,076	144,820	93,020	90,255	16,643	305	2,038	976,778
1947-48	422,260	191,004	143,290	103,676	95,410	15,326	305	1,767	975,038

(a) Subject to revision.

(b) For year ended previous December.

(c) Estimated.

CHAPTER XX.—AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION.

§ 3. Distribution, Production and Value of Crops.

Principal Crops, pp. 892-4.—The table hereunder shows the area, production and average yield per acre of the principal crops in Australia during the 1946-47 and 1947-48 seasons :—

PRINCIPAL CROPS : AUSTRALIA.

Season.	Grain.			Hay.	Sugar-cane.	Cane sugar.	Total Crops.
	Wheat.	Oats.	Maize.				
AREA ('000 acres.)							
1946-47 ..	13,180	1,728	260	2,006	324	..	21,077
1947-48 ..	13,880	2,105	223	1,970	345	..	22,272

PRODUCTION.

	'000 bush.	'000 bush.	'000 bush.	'000 tons.	'000 tons.	'000 tons.	
1946-47 ..	117,262	15,566	5,808	2,357	4,027	552	..
1947-48 ..	220,116	40,697	6,168	3,008	4,418	605	..

AVERAGE YIELD PER ACRE.

	Bush.	Bush.	Bush.	Tons.	Tons. (a)	Tons. (a)	
1946-47 ..	8.90	9.01	22.36	1.18	17.74	2.43	..
1947-48 ..	15.86	19.33	27.69	1.53	19.86	2.72	..

(a) Per acre of productive crop.

§ 4. Wheat.

Survey of Legislation relating to Wheat Industry, p. 899.—(i) *Control during 1914-18 and 1939-45 Wars.* Attempts to stabilize the wheat industry in Australia have extended over a long period of years, but the only occasions on which it was subject to control occurred during the 1914-18 and 1939-45 Wars, and then only by reason of the constitutional powers held by the Commonwealth under war-time legislation.

In both wars serious dislocation of trade, mainly through shipping difficulties, caused large accumulations of wheat, which necessitated Governmental action to arrange for its storage and disposal, as well as the financing of sales and the reimbursement of growers.

In the 1914-18 War the Commonwealth, in conjunction with the States of New South Wales, Victoria, South Australia and Western Australia, established the Wheat Marketing Scheme which operated until 1921. During the 1939-45 War the Australian Wheat Board, created by the Commonwealth under National Security Regulations, was the sole authority for the marketing of wheat.

(ii) *Pool System.* After the termination of the Australian Wheat Marketing Scheme in 1921, the marketing of wheat during the 1921-22 harvest did not return wholly to the open market conditions which operated prior to 1914, but continued under a combination of open market selling and pools. Voluntary pools were established in New South Wales, Victoria and South Australia while a compulsory pool was created under State legislation in Western Australia. In the following season (1922-23) voluntary pools operated in all four States; Western Australia abandoning the compulsory method.

The following table shows the proportion of the marketable wheat which passed through the State pools in the four chief producing States at five-yearly intervals since the introduction of the pool system in 1921-22, as well as for the pre-war year 1938-39. It is indicative of the extent of the support which growers gave to the pools.

PERCENTAGE OF WHEAT RECEIVED BY VOLUNTARY POOLS IN THE FOUR CHIEF PRODUCING STATES.

Harvest.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.
	%	%	%	%
1921-22	58	78	36	(a) 96
1925-26	2	14	22	36
1931-32	2	39	24	42
1935-36	(b)	5	3	18
1938-39	(b)	1	4	28

(a) Compulsory pool.

(b) Pool did not operate in these years.

(iii) *Financial Assistance to Wheat Growers.* Prior to 1931-32 no financial assistance had been rendered by the Commonwealth to wheat growers, but when the price of wheat fell to less than 2s. 6d. per bushel by December, 1930, the position of growers became most difficult. To alleviate this, the Commonwealth Government assisted growers, either in the form of a bounty or relief, and amounts totalling £3,400,000 were distributed in 1931-32, £2,000,000 in 1932-33, £3,000,000 in 1933-34, £4,000,000 in 1934-35 and £2,000,000 in 1935-36. As prices improved, Commonwealth assistance was discontinued, but when prices again fell in 1938-39 it was resumed and continued until 1944-45, the amounts distributed being £1,800,000 in 1938-39, £2,500,000 in 1939-40, £2,500,000 in 1940-41, £1,700,000 in 1941-42, £2,200,000 in 1942-43, £4,300,000 in 1943-44 and £4,100,000 in 1944-45. In all, £33,500,000 was distributed to wheat growers by the Commonwealth between 1931-32 and 1944-45.

(iv) *Wheat Industry Assistance Act 1938.* The first attempt to stabilize the price of wheat in Australia occurred in 1938 when the Commonwealth enacted the Wheat Industry Assistance Act 1938 which supplemented legislation passed by each of the several States. The purpose of these Acts, which became effective in December, 1938, was to stabilize the price of wheat used for flour for home consumption at 5s. 2d. per bushel, bagged, f.o.r. Williamstown, Victoria, which approximates 4s. 8d. per bushel at country sidings. This price was to be maintained by millers paying a tax on flour used in Australia when the price of wheat fell below that level, or by a tax on wheat sold to wheat merchants should it exceed that level. Funds raised by the tax on flour were distributed to growers through the States and the amounts so distributed between 1938 and 1948 are shown in the table below.

The tax on wheat was not proclaimed and did not operate at any time. In December, 1947 the tax rate on flour became nil because of the rise in wheat prices.

FLOUR TAX RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS : AUSTRALIA.

Year ended November—	Gross Receipts Less Refunds and Expenses.	Less Special Payments under—		Amount paid for distribution to Growers.
		Section 7. (a)	Section 14. (b)	
	£	£	£	£
1939	3,337,234	500,000	133,746	2,703,488
1940	1,450,169	500,000	50,089	900,080
1941	1,545,793	500,000	53,215	992,578
1942	1,651,604	500,000	57,362	1,094,242
1943	1,680,594	500,000	52,875	1,127,719
1944	1,939,117	..	51,469	1,887,648
1945	1,918,299	..	55,328	1,862,971
1946	1,663,997	843,000	60,659	760,248
1947	1,749,978	..	61,570	1,688,408
1948	285,582	..	..	285,582

(a) Payments to eliminate marginal wheat areas.

(b) Special grant to Tasmania.

(v) *Other Commonwealth Legislation.* Other legislation passed by the Commonwealth Government subsequent to the Wheat Industry Assistance Act 1938 included the Wheat Industry (War-time Control) Act 1939 which diverted the funds obtained from the flour tax to the Australian Wheat Board. Other Acts making provision for a tax on wheat were passed in 1940 but the tax did not operate and was repealed by legislation passed in 1944. Under the latter legislation, a guaranteed price of 4s. od. per bushel, bagged, at sidings, which was later raised to 4s. 1½d., was fixed for wheat acquired by the Commonwealth. In 1946 the Wheat Industry Assistance Act 1946 was passed, making provision for the elimination of additional marginal wheat areas.

This legislation was mainly machinery-like in character and was designed to assist the industry through the abnormal war-time period.

(vi) *Wheat Industry Stabilization Act 1946.* The Wheat Industry Stabilization Act passed by the Commonwealth Government in 1946 was the first legislative measure which attempted to establish a permanent wheat marketing organization on a nation-wide basis. This plan developed from the Premiers' Conference held in January of that year, at which it was agreed that joint action should be taken by all Australian Governments to give effect to the proposals agreed upon. All States, however, did not pass the complementary legislation necessary to give effect to this proposal, and consequently, in the absence of Commonwealth powers in respect of internal marketing, the 1946 Act did not function, except for the establishment of a stabilization fund into which tax contributions levied under the Wheat Export Charge Act 1946 and the Wheat Tax Act 1946 were paid.

(vii) *Modifications (July, 1948) of 1946 Plan.* A further attempt to establish a permanent wheat marketing authority in Australia was made in July, 1948, when the Commonwealth Minister for Commerce and Agriculture met State Ministers for Agriculture in a conference at which agreement was reached on certain modifications to the 1946 plan.

The principal amendment was that control of production was not required and that the State Governments would undertake the regulation of wheat growing in marginal

areas. This modified plan was subsequently adopted by a majority of growers in the four main producing States in polls arranged by the respective State Governments. The results of these polls were as follows :—

RESULTS OF POLLS OF WHEAT GROWERS ON THE QUESTION OF ADOPTION OF THE COMMONWEALTH WHEAT STABILIZATION PLAN AS MODIFIED IN JULY, 1948.

State.	For.	Against.	In Favour.
	No.	No.	%
New South Wales	8,951	6,300	58.5
Victoria	11,275	3,495	76.4
South Australia	5,729	4,090	58.3
Western Australia	3,957	2,426	61.9
Total	29,912	16,371	64.6

The requisite legislation was passed by Commonwealth and State Governments prior to the end of 1948, and for the first time in the history of the industry a peace-time plan for the internal and external marketing of wheat was established with one central marketing authority. The plan came into operation with the 1948-49 season and will continue for a period of five years up to the end of the 1952-53 season.

(viii) *Provisions of 1948 Plan.* The principal provisions of the plan embodied in the Commonwealth Wheat Industry Stabilization Act 1948 and Wheat Export Charge Act 1948 (which also provided for the repeal of the earlier Commonwealth legislation passed in 1946) are as follows :—

- (1) The Commonwealth Government shall guarantee a price (6s. 3d. per bushel f.o.r., ports, bulk basis for the 1947-48 season) for wheat grown and delivered by wheat growers.
- (2) The guaranteed price, which is based on ascertained costs for the 1947-48 season, shall vary according to an index of production costs for each season starting with the 1948-49 crop. (Following a review of costs for the 1948-49 season by the Wheat Cost of Production Committee, the guaranteed price has been increased to 6s. 8d. per bushel f.o.r., ports, bulk basis.)
- (3) The guarantee shall apply to the wheat crops marketed through approved organizations for the period up to the end of the 1952-53 season.
- (4) Approved organizations shall be the Australian Wheat Board and those organizations which are empowered by State Governments with authority to receive wheat and to market it as the agents for the Australian Wheat Board.
- (5) The Commonwealth shall ensure the guaranteed price in respect of the export from any one season's crop, provided that this guarantee shall not apply to the quantity of export in excess of 100 million bushels.
- (6) A Stabilization Fund shall be established by means of a tax on wheat exported to meet the guaranteed price above mentioned.
- (7) The tax shall apply when the export price is higher than the guaranteed price, and shall be 50 per cent. of the difference between the two but shall not exceed 2s. 2d. per bushel.
- (8) The tax shall apply to the 1947-48 and later wheat crops.
- (9) The Commonwealth agrees that it will not hold an excessive amount in the Fund, and it will consider a refund of tax to the oldest contributing pool whenever the financial prospects of the Fund justify it. (Refunds of amounts contributed in respect of the 1945-46 and 1946-47 harvests have already been approved).

(ix) *Complementary State Acts 1948.* The respective State Wheat Industry Stabilization Acts 1948 are complementary to the Commonwealth Act and came into operation on 25th November, 1948, the date on which the Commonwealth Act received Royal assent. The principal provisions of the State Acts are—

- (a) The Australian Wheat Board is afforded State statutory authority to act, as provided in the Commonwealth Act, in respect of—
- (i) The purchase or other acquisition, the sale or other disposal and the control of all matters relating to the handling, storage, treatment, shipment, etc., of wheat or wheat products;
 - (ii) The licensing of any person, firm, company or State Authority to receive wheat on its behalf;
 - (iii) The fixation of the home consumption price for wheat at the same level as the price guaranteed by the Commonwealth and determined as provided in the Commonwealth Act.
 - (iv) Other matters specified.
- (b) In Queensland and Western Australia the respective State Wheat Boards are empowered to act as agents of the Australian Wheat Board, are entitled to be licensed to receive wheat on behalf of the Australian Wheat Board, and each is empowered to nominate one of its members as a growers' representative to the Australian Wheat Board.
- (c) In New South Wales a State Wheat Committee is established to nominate one of its members as a growers' representative to the Australian Wheat Board and to advise the State Minister on wheat matters. It may act as agent of the Australian Wheat Board. The New South Wales Act also empowers the State Minister to exercise control over wheat growing in specified marginal areas of the State.

(x) *The Australian Wheat Board and the Stabilization Fund.* The Australian Wheat Board, as reconstituted under the Commonwealth Wheat Industry Stabilization Act 1948, commenced to perform its functions under the Act on 18th December, 1948.

The provisions of the Commonwealth Wheat Stabilization Plan relating to the levy of a tax on wheat exported and the establishment of a Stabilization Fund have been implemented by the Commonwealth Government under legislation passed in 1946 in respect of the 1945-46, 1946-47 and 1947-48 harvests. Contributions to the Stabilization Fund have amounted to about £7,000,000 and £4,000,000 from the 1945-46 and 1946-47 harvests respectively, and are expected to reach approximately £15,000,000 from the 1947-48 harvest. The Commonwealth Wheat Tax (Repeal and Refund) Act 1948, which repealed the Wheat Tax Act 1946, provides for the refund to growers, through the Australian Wheat Board, of the amounts contributed to the fund from the 1945-46 and 1946-47 harvests, which are equivalent to approximately 1s. 1½d. per bushel and 10½d. per bushel, respectively. Refunds of contributions to the fund from the 1945-46 harvests were paid in December, 1948, and arrangements have been completed to refund to growers, early in 1949, amounts contributed for the 1946-47 harvest.

The Wheat Industry Stabilization Board operated throughout Australia under war-time Commonwealth legislation during each of the seasons 1941-42 to 1948-49. Under this legislation, provision was made for the registration of farms and licensing of areas by the Wheat Industry Stabilization Board. The area allotted to each grower was fixed in proportion to the average sown during the basic three year period, principally in the three years 1938-39 to 1940-41. Although licensing continued during the seasons 1945-46 to 1948-49, growers were permitted to plant without restriction. In Western Australia, growers' acreages during the seasons 1942-43 to 1944-45 were restricted to a maximum of two-thirds of their basic acreages. During 1945-46 no such restriction was imposed, but where growers voluntarily restricted the area sown to five-sixths or less of their basic acreage, compensation equal to one-sixth of their basic acreages was payable, subject to the qualification that half of the area licensed for wheat was cropped for grain.

The Wheat Industry Stabilization Board ceased to function in December, 1948, following the establishment of the post-war wheat stabilization plan under legislation passed by the Commonwealth and State Governments.

CHAPTER XXI.—FARMYARD, DAIRY AND BEE PRODUCTS.

Butter, Cheese, Pork, Bacon and Ham.—Particulars of the total amounts of butter and cheese (showing factory production by States and an estimate of factory and farm production for Australia), pork, bacon and ham produced in each State during 1947-48 are shown below:—

BUTTER, CHEESE, PORK, BACON AND HAM PRODUCTION, 1947-48.(a)

N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Australia.
BUTTER (TONS), pp. 981-2.							
33,958	56,390	46,457	9,051	7,039	4,399	..	(b) 161,794
CHEESE (TONS), pp. 982-3.							
2,624	16,122	9,537	11,490	1,024	414	..	(b) 41,343
PORK (TONS, BONE-IN WEIGHT), p. 989.							
5,283	7,070	7,175	3,107	2,395	1,298	46	(c) 26,407
BACON AND HAM (TONS, CURED WEIGHT), p. 990.							
13,090	10,796	10,117	4,822	3,789	1,315	..	43,029

(a) Subject to revision.
Northern Territory, 33 tons.

(b) Includes an estimate of farm production.

(c) Includes

CHAPTER XXIV.—MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY.

Summary.—The tables following give a summary of the operations in manufacturing industries during 1946-47 and 1947-48:—

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY : SUMMARY.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	Australia.
1946-47.							
1. Factories .. No.	13,961	10,949	3,367	2,707	2,615	1,169	34,768
2. Hands employed (a) ..	343,119	265,757	71,599	70,711	33,806	19,937	804,929
3. Salaries and wages paid (b) £	103,587,559	77,993,765	20,310,541	20,538,958	9,105,010	5,637,933	237,173,766
4. Value of power, fuel, light, &c., used .. £	13,964,552	7,835,022	2,627,507	3,620,194	2,049,489	923,336	31,020,100
5. .. materials used .. £	245,436,182	176,106,507	62,134,914	52,015,884	20,472,010	12,978,567	569,144,364
6. .. production .. £	186,546,408	131,496,150	35,336,669	31,066,494	15,748,476	10,667,545	410,861,742
7. .. output of factories .. £	445,947,142	315,437,679	100,099,090	86,702,572	38,269,975	24,569,748	1,011,026,206
8. .. land and buildings .. £	81,894,595	62,771,493	15,391,033	18,659,534	8,756,924	5,678,205	193,151,784
9. .. plant and machinery .. £	75,234,273	59,124,802	19,995,249	18,408,224	8,430,574	8,499,969	189,693,091
1947-48.(c)							
1. Factories .. No.	15,194	11,661	3,642	2,865	2,788	1,225	37,375
2. Hands employed (a) ..	363,365	278,267	76,732	73,346	35,967	21,173	848,850
3. Salaries and wages paid (b) £	125,345,878	93,805,967	24,163,216	24,852,998	10,735,647	6,865,337	285,769,038
4. Value of power, fuel, light, &c., used .. £	17,313,940	9,014,085	3,186,651	4,280,739	2,284,627	1,015,553	37,095,395
5. .. materials used .. £	292,556,789	209,795,552	79,128,698	61,620,640	24,956,972	15,524,694	683,583,345
6. .. production .. £	218,610,856	158,697,691	42,928,994	38,660,705	18,384,197	12,244,517	489,535,960
7. .. output of factories .. £	528,481,585	377,507,328	125,244,343	104,571,084	45,625,796	28,784,564	1,210,214,700
8. .. land and buildings .. £	91,860,393	66,184,141	16,609,936	20,690,827	9,482,660	6,271,365	211,099,322
9. .. plant and machinery .. £	86,714,082	65,828,923	21,830,685	20,239,623	9,189,910	9,915,837	213,719,060

(a) Average over whole year; includes working proprietors.

(b) Excludes amounts drawn by working proprietors.

(c) Subject to revision.

CHAPTER XXVII.—REPATRIATION.

§ 2. War Pensions and § 3. Service Pensions.

Number of Pensioners and Expenditure, pp. 1175 and 1178.—The following table shows the number of war and service pensions in force, and expenditure for the year 1947-48 :—

WAR AND SERVICE PENSIONS : NUMBER AND PAYMENTS, 1947-48.

Particulars.	Place of Payment.							Total.
	N.S.W. (a)	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust. (b)	W.Aust.	Tas.	Oversea.	
War Pensions—								
1914-18 War—								
Number ..	51,759	51,060	17,093	10,041	13,627	7,187	4,535	155,302
Amount Paid ..	£'000 2,974	2,616	927	558	809	470	331	8,685
1939-45 War—								
Number ..	105,227	55,804	31,027	26,810	31,191	9,184	1,056	260,299
Amount Paid ..	£'000 3,011	1,820	867	845	691	312	32	7,578
Service Pensions—								
Number ..	5,217	3,985	2,592	1,654	1,715	527	..	15,690
Amount Paid ..	£'000 446	288	198	122	145	39	..	1,238

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory.

(b) Includes Northern Territory.

CHAPTER XXVIII.—MISCELLANEOUS.

§ 23. Valuation of Australian Production.

Net Value of Production, p. 1215.—The following table shows particulars of the net value of production in each State of the various industry groups during the year 1946-47:—

NET VALUE OF RECORDED PRODUCTION IN STATES, 1946-47.

Industry.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Agriculture ..	20,285	29,266	15,373	18,871	10,701	3,339	97,835
Pastoral ..	52,666	28,639	26,089	9,585	9,648	3,580	130,207
Dairying ..	14,834	18,038	10,010	4,242	1,922	812	49,858
Poultry ..	6,073	5,358	812	1,478	454	531	14,706
Bee-farming ..	272	255	48	218	73	6	872
Total, Rural ..	94,130	81,556	52,332	34,394	22,798	8,268	293,478
Trapping ..	4,632	3,037	510	426	218	557	9,380
Forestry ..	4,508	2,945	3,037	1,383	1,496	1,031	14,400
Fisheries ..	1,302	535	543	253	313	347	3,293
Mines and Quarries	16,496	2,054	3,044	2,069	5,057	2,856	32,476
Total, Non-rural ..	26,938	8,571	7,134	5,031	7,084	4,791	59,549
Total, All Primary	121,068	90,127	59,466	39,425	29,882	13,059	353,927
Factories ..	186,546	131,497	35,337	31,066	15,748	10,668	410,862
Total, All Industries ..	307,614	221,624	94,803	70,491	45,630	23,727	763,889