

# Victorian Year-Book 1954-58

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## PART V.

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### POPULATION.

According to manuscript notes made by Captain Lonsdale, the first enumeration of the people was taken by an officer from Sydney on the 25th May, 1836, less than one year after the date of the arrival of John Batman (29th May, 1835). This was the first official census in Victoria, which was at that time known as the district of Port Phillip, and it disclosed that the band of first arrivals consisted of 142 males and 35 females of European origin.

At the census taken in 1838, it was ascertained that the number of inhabitants had increased to 3,511. During each of the years 1840 and 1841 the population increased by nearly 100 per cent., owing principally to the number of assisted immigrants who arrived in the district, and it continued to increase to the end of 1850.

The discovery of gold in 1851 (the year of separation from New South Wales) was the greatest influence in populating Victoria, the numbers increasing from 77,345 at the census in 1851 to 538,628 in 1861, a gain of 596 per cent. In the next ten years the natural increase (excess of births over deaths) was the main factor in the growth of population. From the end of 1870 the population advanced steadily to 1,133,728 at the end of 1890, the increase being 409,803 (natural increase 307,246—gain from migration 102,557). The latter portion of this period was known as the "Land Boom" period which was followed by the inevitable reaction.

Between 1891 and 1905 the population of the State advanced very slowly, the total increase in this period being 76,693. The gain by natural increase—247,078—was offset by the loss from migration—170,385—the discovery of gold in Western Australia being the principal cause of migration from Victoria in the period. A steady annual increase was maintained from 1905 to the end of 1927 (exclusive of the years relating to the War), the population increasing from 1,210,421 to 1,741,832.

During the period 1928-1938 the population of the State increased slowly, the lowest annual increase for the period being recorded in the year 1935. The rate of natural increase dropped considerably and, in seven years of the period, a loss from migration was experienced. The world-wide depression of 1929-1933 had its effect on the population of the State. The population at the end of 1938 was 1,871,099.

During the period of the Second World War (1939-1945) the population of Victoria increased by 144,008. There was a considerable increase from migration during the early part of the period due to war conditions. In each of the years 1946 and 1947 the increase in the population was due almost entirely to natural increase, as there was a slight gain from migration in 1946, and a loss in 1947. In 1948 a substantial gain by natural increase and by migration was recorded. This was followed by further substantial increases by both natural increase and migration in each of the years 1949 to 1954, the gain from migration in 1950 being the highest recorded to that time, excluding the return of troops from overseas after the First World War. The population of Victoria increased by 74,144 (natural increase 33,809—migration 40,335) in 1955, by 77,602 (natural increase 34,507—migration 43,095) in 1956, by 68,012 (natural increase 36,333—migration 31,679) in 1957 and by 70,284 (natural increase 37,644—migration 32,640) in 1958. The increase from recorded net migration in 1956, viz. 43,095, was the highest ever recorded in Victoria.

The estimated population of Victoria at the end of 1958 was 2,770,919.

#### VICTORIA—ESTIMATED POPULATION, 1836 TO 1958.

Year.	Estimated Population, 31st December.		
	Males.	Females.	Total.
1836 (25th May) .. .. .	142	35	177
1836 (8th November) .. .. .	186	38	224
1840 .. .. .	7,254	3,037	10,291
1850 .. .. .	45,495	30,667	76,162
1855 .. .. .	226,462	120,843	347,305
1860 .. .. .	330,302	207,932	538,234
1870 .. .. .	397,230	326,695	723,925
1880 .. .. .	450,558	408,047	858,605
1890 .. .. .	595,519	538,209	1,133,728
1900 .. .. .	601,773	594,440	1,196,213
1905 .. .. .	598,134	612,287	1,210,421

VICTORIA—ESTIMATED POPULATION, 1836 TO 1958—*continued.*

Year.	Estimated Population, 31st December.		
	Males.	Females.	Total.
1910	646,482	654,926	1,301,408
1911	668,818	671,075	1,339,893
1912	690,056	692,497	1,382,553
1913	707,444	707,972	1,415,416
1914	713,307	721,881	1,435,188
1915	694,210	730,235	1,424,445
1916	666,245	738,418	1,404,663
1917	671,075	745,985	1,417,060
1918	684,243	753,002	1,437,245
1919	739,956	763,079	1,503,035
1920	753,803	774,106	1,527,909
1921	765,306	785,421	1,550,727
1922	789,517	800,756	1,590,273
1923	807,884	817,571	1,625,455
1924	825,919	831,232	1,657,151
1925	840,817	843,234	1,684,051
1926	855,035	856,952	1,711,987
1927	870,718	871,114	1,741,832
1928	879,478	882,268	1,761,746
1929	886,472	891,797	1,778,269
1930	892,422	900,183	1,792,605
1931	896,429	907,141	1,803,570
1932	900,663	912,724	1,813,387
1933	904,868	919,349	1,824,217
1934	909,806	926,854	1,836,660
1935	910,740	930,855	1,841,595
1936	913,959	935,648	1,849,607
1937	916,974	940,017	1,856,991
1938	924,034	947,065	1,871,099
1939	929,470	953,663	1,883,133
1940	947,037	967,881	1,914,918
1941	964,619	981,806	1,946,425
1942	970,729	991,829	1,962,558
1943	979,549	1,002,067	1,981,616
1944	986,889	1,011,065	1,997,954
1945	994,784	1,020,323	2,015,107
1946	1,006,395	1,033,374	2,039,769
1947	1,016,724	1,045,985	2,062,709
1948	1,039,037	1,069,088	2,108,125
1949	1,071,759	1,097,125	2,168,884
1950	1,114,497	1,122,685	2,237,182
1951	1,150,009	1,149,529	2,299,538
1952	1,189,262	1,177,457	2,366,719
1953	1,212,060	1,203,975	2,416,035
1954	1,246,591	1,234,286	2,480,877
1955	1,288,058	1,266,963	2,555,021
1956	1,328,357	1,304,266	2,632,623
1957	1,360,540	1,340,095	2,700,635
1958	1,394,876	1,376,043	2,770,919

Population,  
1955 to 1958.

The elements of increase in the population of Victoria during the years 1955 to 1958 are shown in the following table :—

ESTIMATED POPULATION OF VICTORIA  
AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1955 TO 1958.

Particulars.	1955.	1956.	1957.	1958.
Estimated Population, 1st January .. ..	2,480,877	2,555,021	2,632,023	2,700,635
Births .. .. .	56,336	58,393	60,464	61,269
Deaths .. .. .	22,527	23,886	24,131	23,625
Natural Increase ..	33,809	34,507	36,333	37,644
Recorded Migration by Sea, Rail and Air—				
Arrivals.. .. .	600,501	643,158	616,425	622,865
Departures .. ..	560,166	600,063	584,746	590,225
Gain by Recorded Migration (a)	40,335	43,095	31,679	32,640
Estimated Population, 31st December .. ..	2,555,021	2,632,623	2,700,635	2,770,919

(a) Excess of arrivals over departures. Interstate migration relates to recorded movements by rail, sea and air and certain special movements by road, together with an allowance for unrecorded movement into the Australian Capital Territory.

The table which follows shows, for each quinquennium from 1860, and for each year of the twenty years, 1939-1958, the natural increase of the population and the gain or loss by migration.

VICTORIA—INCREASE OF POPULATION BY EXCESS OF BIRTHS OVER DEATHS, AND THE GAIN OR LOSS BY MIGRATION, 1860 TO 1958.

Period.	Increase during Period.			Increase Per Cent. during Period.		
	Natural.	Net Migration.	Total.	Natural.	Net Migration.	Total.
1860-64 .. ..	69,249	7,682	76,931	13·20	1·47	14·76
1865-69 .. ..	74,639	24,120	98,759	12·48	4·03	16·51
1870-74 .. ..	81,902	7,444	89,346	11·75	1·07	12·82
1875-79 .. ..	66,473	(-) 10,824	55,649	8·46	(-) 1·38	7·08
1880-84 .. ..	72,332	21,688	94,020	8·59	2·58	11·17
1885-89 .. ..	83,704	85,457	169,161	8·95	9·13	18·08
1890-94 .. ..	100,292	(-) 23,075	77,217	9·08	(-) 2·09	6·99
1895-99 .. ..	76,625	(-) 70,239	6,386	6·48	(-) 5·94	0·54
1900-04 .. ..	74,296	(-) 57,229	17,067	6·25	(-) 4·81	1·44
1905-09 .. ..	80,312	(-) 8,898	71,414	6·66	(-) 0·74	5·92
1910-14 .. ..	93,975	64,191	158,166	7·36	5·03	12·39
1915-19 .. ..	84,092	(-) 16,245	67,847	5·86	(-) 1·13	4·73
1920-24 .. ..	98,235	55,881	154,116	6·53	3·72	10·25
1925-29 .. ..	91,091	30,027	121,118	5·50	1·81	7·31
1930-34 .. ..	61,242	(-) 2,851	58,391	3·44	(-) 0·16	3·28
1935-39 .. ..	52,364	(-) 5,883	46,473	2·85	(-) 0·32	2·53
1940-44 .. ..	76,250	47,527	114,821	4·05	2·53	6·10
1945-49 .. ..	120,943	51,928	170,930	6·05	2·60	8·56
1950-54 .. ..	148,029	163,964	311,993	6·83	7·56	14·39
1939 .. ..	10,324	1,718	12,034	0·55	0·09	0·64
1940 .. ..	11,669	20,268	31,785	0·62	1·08	1·69
1941 .. ..	13,981	18,898	31,507	0·73	0·99	1·65
1942 .. ..	13,954	5,527	16,133	0·72	0·29	0·83
1943 .. ..	17,790	3,789	19,058	0·91	0·19	0·97
1944 .. ..	18,856	(-) 955	16,338	0·95	(-) 0·05	0·82
1945 .. ..	20,704	(-) 1,812	17,153	1·04	(-) 0·09	0·86
1946 .. ..	25,159	(-) 327	24,662	1·25	(-) 0·02	1·22
1947 .. ..	25,924	(-) 2,952	22,940	1·27	(-) 0·14	1·12
1948 .. ..	24,274	21,142	45,416	1·18	1·02	2·20
1949 .. ..	24,882	35,877	60,759	1·18	1·70	2·88
1950 .. ..	27,489	40,809	68,298	1·27	1·88	3·15
1951 .. ..	27,107	35,249	62,356	1·21	1·58	2·79
1952 .. ..	30,416	36,765	67,181	1·32	1·60	2·92
1953 .. ..	30,911	18,405	49,316	1·30	0·78	2·08
1954 .. ..	32,106	32,736	64,842	1·33	1·35	2·68
1955 .. ..	33,809	40,335	74,144	1·36	1·63	2·99
1956 .. ..	34,507	43,095	77,602	1·35	1·69	3·04
1957 .. ..	36,333	31,679	68,012	1·38	1·20	2·58
1958 .. ..	37,644	32,640	70,284	1·39	1·21	2·60

(-) Indicates excess of departures over arrivals, also a decrease.

NOTE.—Natural increase from September, 1939, to June, 1947, represents the excess of births over civilian deaths.

Total increase includes deaths of defence personnel, whether in Australia or overseas, from September, 1939 to June, 1947.

Figures for the years 1947 to 1954, have been adjusted in accordance with the results of the Census of 30th June, 1954.

## MIGRATION.

**Migration.** The following table shows the recorded migration to and from Victoria during the years 1955 to 1958:—

## VICTORIA—RECORDED MIGRATION, 1955 TO 1958.

Particulars.	1955.	1956.	1957.	1958.
Migration by Sea, Rail, and Air—				
Arrivals .. .. .	600,501	643,158	616,425	622,865
Departures .. .. .	560,166	600,063	584,746	590,225
Gain by Migration ..	40,335	43,095	31,679	32,640

The recorded interstate and overseas movement of people to and from Victoria, during the years 1955 to 1958, is shown in the following table:—

Year.	Arrivals in Victoria.			Departures from Victoria.			Excess of Arrivals over Departures.		
	Inter-state.	From Other Countries Direct.	Total.	Inter-state.	To Other Countries Direct.	Total.	Inter-state.	Other Countries Direct.	Total.
1955 ..	528,181	72,320	600,501	539,651	20,515	560,166	-11,470	51,805	40,335
1956 ..	562,136	81,022	643,158	575,520	24,543	600,063	-13,384	56,479	43,095
1957 ..	553,812	62,613	616,425	562,545	22,201	584,746	-8,733	40,412	31,679
1958 ..	559,528	63,337	622,865	562,530	27,695	590,225	-3,002	35,642	32,640

(-) Indicates excess of departures over arrivals.

**Interstate Migration. 1954-1958.**

The following table shows the recorded interstate movement of population to and from Victoria during the period 1954 to 1958:—

## VICTORIA—RECORDED INTERSTATE MIGRATION, 1954 TO 1958.

Year.	Arrivals.	Departures.	Excess of Departures over Arrivals.
1954 .. .. .	493,534	504,995	11,461
1955 .. .. .	528,181	539,651	11,470
1956 .. .. .	562,136	575,520	13,384
1957 .. .. .	553,812	562,545	8,733
1958 .. .. .	559,528	562,530	3,002

The overseas migration between Victoria and British and Foreign countries for the period 1954 to 1958 is shown in the following tables :—

VICTORIA—OVERSEA MIGRATION  
ARRIVALS, 1954 TO 1958.

Place of Departure.	1954.	1955.	1956.	1957.	1958.
<b>British—</b>					
United Kingdom and Ireland	15,707	20,356	21,384	18,850	20,958
Canada .. .. .	..	..	66	85	208
Ceylon .. .. .	538	647	626	304	612
Fiji .. .. .	..	6	247	34	301
Hong Kong .. .. .	49	97	118	290	224
India .. .. .	428	353	414	172	339
Malta .. .. .	2,792	5,445	2,152	1,084	1,032
Malaya .. .. .	58	16	4	20	127
Nauru .. .. .	204	243	214	338	296
New Guinea .. .. .	19	26	29	29	50
New Zealand .. .. .	2,591	2,780	4,467	3,708	5,148
Pakistan .. .. .	6	4	82	..	22
Papua .. .. .	14	13	23	8	17
Singapore .. .. .	127	242	264	292	1,247
Union of South Africa .. .. .	465	436	418	314	474
Other British Countries .. .. .	326	524	540	307	1,445
<b>Total British Countries ..</b>	<b>23,324</b>	<b>31,188</b>	<b>31,048</b>	<b>25,835</b>	<b>32,500</b>
<b>Foreign—</b>					
Egypt .. .. .	931	1,094	1,626	372	234
France .. .. .	6	68	24	15	19
Germany .. .. .	12,619	5,180	5,658	6,121	4,986
Greece .. .. .	7,933	7,326	8,052	3,469	2,869
Indonesia .. .. .	48	95	134	65	75
Italy .. .. .	10,478	13,823	19,028	16,263	13,572
Japan .. .. .	46	79	258	152	155
Netherlands .. .. .	5,762	7,475	7,461	4,845	4,151
United States of America .. .. .	7	..	462	211	683
Other Foreign Countries .. .. .	2,779	5,992	7,271	5,265	4,093
<b>Total Foreign Countries ..</b>	<b>40,612</b>	<b>41,132</b>	<b>49,974</b>	<b>36,778</b>	<b>30,837</b>
<b>Total British and Foreign ..</b>	<b>63,936</b>	<b>72,320</b>	<b>81,022</b>	<b>62,613</b>	<b>63,337</b>

**VICTORIA—OVERSEA MIGRATION**  
**DEPARTURES, 1954 TO 1958.**

Place of Destination.	1954.	1955.	1956.	1957.	1958.
<b>British—</b>					
United Kingdom and Ireland	11,111	11,292	10,266	9,852	10,090
Canada .. .. .	28	24	14	168	138
Ceylon .. .. .	449	516	384	241	344
Fiji .. .. .	..	6	..	14	245
Hong Kong .. .. .	79	108	58	111	96
India .. .. .	287	292	348	235	280
Malta .. .. .	56	43	35	489	223
Malaya .. .. .	72	34	89	13	70
Nauru .. .. .	258	292	285	277	292
New Guinea .. .. .	3	18	15	31	60
New Zealand .. .. .	2,309	2,592	3,909	3,649	4,590
Pakistan .. .. .	17	3	73	1	21
Papua .. .. .	4	21	5	7	18
Singapore .. .. .	187	288	319	297	1,177
Union of South Africa .. .. .	429	318	278	339	402
Other British Countries .. .. .	274	259	304	254	404
<b>Total British Countries ..</b>	<b>15,563</b>	<b>16,106</b>	<b>16,382</b>	<b>15,978</b>	<b>18,450</b>
<b>Foreign—</b>					
Egypt .. .. .	104	139	103	53	15
France .. .. .	516	367	389	151	294
Germany .. .. .	103	183	236	260	202
Greece .. .. .	186	147	247	22	330
Indonesia .. .. .	64	39	117	28	73
Italy .. .. .	3,710	3,156	4,056	4,419	4,658
Japan .. .. .	248	172	385	270	282
Netherlands .. .. .	139	130	325	161	470
United States of America .. .. .	16	30	521	237	783
Other Foreign Countries .. .. .	62	46	1,782	622	2,108
<b>Total Foreign Countries ..</b>	<b>5,148</b>	<b>4,409</b>	<b>8,161</b>	<b>6,223</b>	<b>9,245</b>
<b>Total British and Foreign ..</b>	<b>20,711</b>	<b>20,515</b>	<b>24,543</b>	<b>22,201</b>	<b>27,695</b>



Classification of Migrants, 1954 to 1958.

The following table shows the oversea migration for the period 1954 to 1958 classified according to permanent and temporary migrants:—

OVERSEA MIGRATION  
1954 TO 1958.

Year.	Victoria.				Australia.			
	Perma- nent and Long Term.	Aus- tralian Residents Returning or Departing Tempo- rarily.	Visitors.	Total.	Perma- nent and Long Term.	Aus- tralian Residents Returning or Departing Tempo- rarily.	Visitors.	Total.
<i>Arrivals.</i>								
1954 ..	52,944	7,010	3,982	63,936	104,014	44,944	49,067	198,025
1955 ..	59,811	8,342	4,167	72,320	130,795	52,877	53,565	237,237
1956 ..	63,061	9,181	8,780	81,022	123,822	57,608	66,018	247,448
1957 ..	50,462	8,133	4,018	62,613	118,695	56,017	58,616	233,328
1958 ..	47,567	9,887	5,883	63,337	109,857	59,065	61,342	230,264
<i>Departures.</i>								
1954 ..	8,730	8,364	3,617	20,711	35,449	45,701	48,668	129,818
1955 ..	7,893	8,804	3,818	20,515	35,478	52,180	52,324	139,982
1956 ..	8,390	8,440	7,713	24,543	37,717	51,400	64,333	153,450
1957 ..	9,588	8,285	4,328	22,201	41,073	53,438	60,085	154,596
1958 ..	11,188	10,880	5,027	27,095	44,978	58,888	61,032	164,898

Nationality of Oversea Migrants.

The following statement shows the nationalities of the permanent new arrivals in 1958 whose State of disembarkation was Victoria. (In the years preceding 1958 the only figures available related to permanent new arrivals whose State of intended future permanent residence was Victoria.)

VICTORIA—NATIONALITY OF PERMANENT NEW ARRIVALS,  
1958.

Nationality.	Persons.	Nationality.	Persons.	Nationality.	Persons.
British ..	18,815	Estonian ..	3	Norwegian ..	76
Irish ..	227	Filipino ..	..	Polish* ..	875
American (U.S.) ..	73	French ..	63	Portuguese ..	2
Albanian ..	2	Finnish ..	946	Romanian ..	14
Austrian ..	1,091	German ..	4,768	Russian† ..	91
Belgian ..	13	Greek ..	2,955	Ukrainian ..	1
Brazilian ..	11	Hungarian ..	440	Spanish ..	28
Bulgarian ..	5	Indonesian ..	2	Swedish ..	50
Burmese ..	1	Israeli ..	23	Swiss ..	73
Chilean ..	..	Italian ..	7,750	Syrian ..	3
Chinese ..	13	Japanese ..	2	Turkish ..	6
Czecho-Slovak ..	6	Latvian ..	3	Yugo-Slav ..	396
Danish ..	395	Lebanese ..	9	Other‡ ..	4,496
Dutch ..	3,809	Lithuanian ..	4		
Egyptian ..	27	Mexican ..	..	Total ... ..	47,567

\* Includes "Stateless" who were formally Polish. † Includes "Stateless" who were formally Russian. ‡ Includes 4,469, "Stateless" with former Nationality stated but other than Polish or Russian.

**Assisted Immigration.** The Migration Scheme in operation prior to the war ceased on the outbreak of war. During the war assisted immigration was discontinued, except in cases of close family reunion involving wives and dependent children, and other special cases having exceptional features, for which special approval was required.

Two new agreements were signed between the Commonwealth and United Kingdom Governments on the 5th March, 1946, the first for the granting of free passages from the British Isles to British ex-Service personnel, their wives and children, who wish to come here, and are accepted as suitable for settlement in this country; and the second for the granting of assisted passages from the United Kingdom to British civilians not eligible under the free passage scheme.

**Naturalization.** The *Nationality and Citizenship Act* 1948 commenced on Australia Day (26th January), 1949, and repealed all previous Commonwealth legislation on this subject.

The number of naturalization certificates granted in Victoria in the period 1955 to 1958 was 34,551, which is 2,442 more than for the 84 year period from 1871 to 1954 (inc.) when 32,109 persons were naturalized. Of the 34,551 certificates granted during the period, 21 per cent. were to persons of Polish origin and just under 14 per cent were to Italian nationals.

The following table shows the persons of each nationality granted naturalization certificates in Victoria during the four years 1955 to 1958:—

VICTORIA—PREVIOUS NATIONALITY OF PERSONS  
NATURALIZED, 1955 TO 1958.

Nationality.	Numbers of Naturalization Certificates Granted.				Total Granted 1955 to 1958.	
	1955.	1956.	1957.	1958.	No.	%
Albanian .. .. .	22	44	39	23	128	0·4
Austrian .. .. .	167	83	114	79	443	1·3
Belgian .. .. .	7	8	11	15	41	0·1
Bulgarian .. .. .	27	28	23	18	96	0·3
Czechoslovak .. .. .	631	603	413	282	1,929	5·6
Danish .. .. .	11	11	6	16	44	0·1
Dutch .. .. .	246	672	725	1,093	2,736	7·9
Estonian .. .. .	129	134	168	137	568	1·6
Finnish .. .. .	4	7	1	11	23	0·1
French .. .. .	28	25	25	26	104	0·3
German .. .. .	279	295	386	537	1,497	4·3
Greek .. .. .	194	222	323	323	1,062	3·1
Hungarian .. .. .	749	767	553	390	2,459	7·1
Italian .. .. .	442	899	1,326	2,079	4,746	13·7
Latvian .. .. .	482	733	769	762	2,746	8·0
Lithuanian .. .. .	221	295	430	340	1,286	3·7
Norwegian .. .. .	10	15	15	15	55	0·2
Polish .. .. .	1,727	1,936	1,989	1,691	7,343	21·3

VICTORIA—PREVIOUS NATIONALITY OF PERSONS NATURALIZED,  
1955 TO 1958—*continued.*

Nationality.	Numbers of Naturalization Certificates Granted.				Total Granted 1955 to 1958.	
	1955.	1956.	1957.	1958.	No.	%
Romanian .. .. .	108	106	89	71	374	1·1
Russian .. .. .	64	102	103	121	390	1·1
Swedish .. .. .	9	1	3	8	21	0·1
Swiss .. .. .	20	45	54	34	153	0·4
Ukrainian .. .. .	218	479	623	649	1,969	5·7
Yugoslav .. .. .	336	685	716	728	2,465	7·1
Other European Countries	16	21	34	35	106	0·3
U.S. American .. .. .	11	10	8	10	39	0·1
Other Nationalities .. .. .	49	63	139	123	374	1·1
Stateless .. .. .	183	361	498	312	1,354	3·9
Total .. .. .	6,390	8,650	9,583	9,928	34,551	100·0

*Note.*—The above figures relate to the number of certificates granted, and do not represent the total number of persons affected by the certificates. In addition to the figures shown there were 2,100 children in 1957, and 2,474 in 1958 affected by the grant of certificates. Corresponding figures for 1955 and 1956 are not available.

POPULATION OF THE MELBOURNE METROPOLITAN  
AREA AND OF THE REMAINDER OF THE STATE.

For many years the population of Melbourne Metropolitan Area was estimated as that contained in an area within a radius of 10 miles from the Elizabeth-street, Post Office. To conform to the growth of the urban population in certain directions the metropolitan area was redefined in 1929, 1947, and 1954. The population of the Metropolitan Area increased from 139,916 at the census of 1861 to 1,726,100 at the 30th June, 1958. In the same period the population of the remainder of the State increased from 398,712 to 1,015,297. During only one intercensal period—1891 to 1901—was the percentage increase greater in the country than the metropolis. There was little increase in the population of Melbourne Metropolitan Area in this period, due to the severe industrial depression which prevailed in Victoria during the eight years 1892 to 1899. With the decline in the gold-mining industry, the rate of increase in the country areas diminished until, at the beginning of the present century, the rural population became almost stationary. Between 1901 and 1933, the population of Melbourne Metropolitan Area increased by 495,855; in the same period the population of the remainder of the State increased by 123,336. The closing years of the period were years of world wide depression, during which Melbourne lost population, to a slight degree, to the rural districts of the State. Following the depression, the population of

Population of  
Melbourne  
Metropolitan  
Area and  
Remainder of  
State 1861  
to 1958.

Melbourne Metropolitan Area increased steadily until the outbreak of war in 1939. In the war years which followed there was a considerable increase in the population of the metropolitan area, due partly to migration from the rural areas of the State. In 1946, the country areas showed a substantial increase in population. The enlargement of the area of Melbourne Metropolitan Area in 1947 resulted in the country areas losing approximately 30,000 persons and a further enlargement in 1954 resulted in a similar loss of approximately 115,000 persons. During the period 1948-58 oversea migration had a pronounced effect on the increase in the population and in most of these years was the main factor in the increase of the population in Victoria. In the table below are given the population of Victoria, Melbourne Metropolitan Area, and the Remainder of the State at each census since 1861, and for each year since the last census of 30th June, 1954.

POPULATION OF VICTORIA, MELBOURNE METROPOLITAN AREA AND REMAINDER OF THE STATE, 1861 TO 1958.

Date	Population.		
	Victoria.	Melbourne Metropolitan Area.	Remainder of State.
Census—			
1861 .. .. .	538,628	139,916	398,712
1871 .. .. .	730,198	206,780	523,418
1881 .. .. .	861,566	282,947	578,619
1891 .. .. .	1,140,088	490,896	649,192
1901 .. .. .	1,201,070	496,079	704,991
1911 .. .. .	1,315,551	593,237	722,314
1921 .. .. .	1,531,280	782,979	748,301
1933 .. .. .	1,820,261	991,934	828,327
1947 .. .. .	2,054,701	1,226,409	828,292
1954 (30th June) .. .. .	2,452,341	1,524,111	928,230
Estimated at—			
1954 (31st December) .. .. .	2,480,877	1,544,500	936,377
1955 (31st December) .. .. .	2,555,021	1,595,300	959,721
1956 (31st December) .. .. .	2,632,623	1,649,000	983,623
1957 (30th June) .. .. .	2,673,498	1,677,100	996,398
1958 (30th June) .. .. .	2,741,397	1,726,100	1,015,297

VICTORIA—POPULATION AND DWELLINGS IN MUNICIPALITIES AT THE CENSUS OF 30th JUNE, 1954, AND AS ESTIMATED AT 30th JUNE, 1958.

The following tables show the population and the number of dwellings in each of the municipalities of Victoria, by Statistical Division, at the Census of 30th June, 1954 and as estimated at the 30th June, 1958.

For the purpose of the Census, a "dwelling" is any habitation occupied by a household group living together as a domestic unit, whether comprising the whole or any part of a building. The term

has, therefore, a very wide reference and includes, in addition to houses and flats, a single-roomed shack to a multi-roomed hotel or institution. In the following tables the figures for dwellings represent all dwellings, whether private or other, and whether occupied or unoccupied.

VICTORIA—POPULATION AND DWELLINGS IN  
MUNICIPALITIES AT THE CENSUS OF JUNE, 1954,  
AND AS ESTIMATED AT 30th JUNE, 1958.

Municipality.	Population at Census 30.6.54.	Dwellings at Census 30.6.54.	Estimated Population at 30.6.58.	Estimated Dwellings at 30.6.58.
Melbourne Metropolitan Area.				
Altona Shire (a) .. .. .	6,700	1,633	9,500	2,347
Box Hill City .. .. .	35,554	9,795	45,500	12,428
Brighton City .. .. .	40,458	12,157	42,000	12,628
Broadmeadows City (b) .. .. .	23,065	5,772	43,400	11,049
Brunswick City .. .. .	53,620	14,754	51,500	14,874
Camberwell City .. .. .	90,397	26,618	99,300	29,010
Caulfield City .. .. .	75,217	22,941	72,900	23,476
Chelsea City .. .. .	16,857	5,027	20,600	6,012
Coburg City .. .. .	62,077	16,616	68,900	18,507
Collingwood City .. .. .	27,155	7,387	26,000	7,451
Dandenong Shire (c) .. .. .	27,748	7,418	18,400	4,970
Doncaster and Templestowe Shire	6,814	1,958	11,200	3,105
Eltham Shire (Montmorency and Eltham Riding and part of North Riding only) .. .. .	7,499	2,143	10,400	2,879
Essendon City .. .. .	57,873	16,519	59,500	17,020
Fern Tree Gully Shire (North Centre and East Ridings only)	22,019	7,661	26,500	8,909
Fitzroy City .. .. .	30,312	8,436	29,300	8,415
Footscray City .. .. .	57,915	15,599	61,700	16,629
Frankston and Hastings Shire (Sea- ford, Frankston and Mt. Eliza Ridings only) .. .. .	15,478	5,036	20,600	6,379
Hawthorn City .. .. .	37,188	11,731	35,700	11,936
Heidelberg City .. .. .	60,007	15,350	77,000	19,858
Keilor Shire .. .. .	10,681	2,829	18,100	4,793
Kew City .. .. .	31,518	8,642	32,700	9,008
Lillydale Shire (Western, North and Southern Ridings only) .. .. .	16,619	5,291	22,100	6,747
Malvern City .. .. .	46,910	14,574	45,800	15,087
Melbourne City .. .. .	93,172	22,800	89,800	22,838
Moorabbin City .. .. .	65,332	17,777	86,800	23,591
Mordialloc City .. .. .	21,025	5,876	24,500	6,808
Mulgrave Shire .. .. .	20,293	5,263	39,200	10,206
Northcote City .. .. .	43,604	12,473	42,800	12,908
Nunawading City .. .. .	23,855	6,475	38,600	10,256
Oakleigh City .. .. .	24,305	6,694	29,200	8,008

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VICTORIA—POPULATION AND DWELLINGS, ETC.—*continued.*

Municipality.	Population at Census 30. 6. 54.	Dwellings at Census 30. 6. 54.	Estimated Population at 30. 6. 58.	Estimated Dwellings at 30. 6. 58.
Port Melbourne City .. ..	13,104	3,501	12,700	3,453
Prahran City .. ..	54,009	18,468	51,500	18,952
Preston City .. ..	63,868	16,324	77,300	19,870
Richmond City .. ..	35,213	10,083	33,100	10,078
Ringwood Borough .. ..	12,951	3,713	20,600	5,748
Sandringham City .. ..	31,758	9,152	36,800	10,515
South Melbourne City .. ..	37,995	11,564	35,300	11,285
Springvale and Noble Park Shire	(c)	(c)	22,800	6,015
St. Kilda City .. ..	53,301	18,102	51,200	18,523
Sunshine City .. ..	41,332	9,481	53,600	12,731
Williamstown City .. ..	29,313	8,014	31,100	8,545
Remainder of Melbourne Metropolitan Area (Parts of Shires of Bulla and Whittlesea)	(b)	(b)	600	147
Total—Melbourne Metropolitan Area .. ..	1,524,111	431,647	1,726,100	493,994

## Central Statistical Division.

Bacchus Marsh Shire .. ..	3,972	1,053	4,290	1,153
Ballan Shire .. ..	2,752	921	2,830	942
Bannockburn Shire .. ..	2,126	623	2,210	651
Barrabool Shire .. ..	1,917	959	2,740	1,222
Bass Shire .. ..	3,761	1,176	3,990	1,248
Bellarine Shire .. ..	7,015	2,280	9,270	3,005
Berwick Shire .. ..	12,412	3,812	16,580	5,038
Broadmeadows Shire (extra Metropolitan) (d) .. ..	1,010	307	..	..
Bulla Shire (extra Metropolitan) (e)	3,232	488	3,720	637
Bungaree Shire .. ..	1,966	484	2,090	523
Buninyong Shire .. ..	3,953	1,107	4,190	1,173
Corio Shire .. ..	15,808	3,612	22,590	5,882
Cranbourne Shire .. ..	8,201	2,596	9,160	2,883
Eltham Shire (extra Metropolitan)	3,942	1,394	4,260	1,495
Fern Tree Gully Shire (extra Metropolitan) .. ..	3,427	1,483	3,860	1,614

(a) Formerly the Altona Riding of the Shire of Werribee. In 1957 the Shire of Altona was constituted and the Shire of Werribee reduced and redefined.

(b) In 1955 parts of the Shire of Broadmeadows were severed and annexed to the Shires of Bulla, Whittlesea and Kilmore. (The parts severed from the Metropolitan portion of the Shire of Broadmeadows were annexed to the Shires of Bulla and Whittlesea).

Broadmeadows was proclaimed a City in 1956. In 1958 an additional part of the Metropolitan portion of the City of Broadmeadows was severed and annexed to the Shire of Bulla.

(c) The Shire of Dandenong was reduced and redefined in 1955, the annexed portion becoming the Shire of Springvale and Noble Park.

(d) Annexed in three portions to Shires of Bulla, Whittlesea and Kilmore in 1955.

(e) Prior to 1955 the whole Shire was outside the Metropolitan Area.

VICTORIA—POPULATION AND DWELLINGS, ETC.—*continued.*

Municipality.	Population at Census 30.6.54.	Dwellings at Census 30.6.54.	Estimated Population at 30.6.58.	Estimated Dwellings at 30.6.58.
Flinders Shire .. .. .	12,072	6,405	17,200	8,203
Frankston and Hastings Shire (extra Metropolitan) .. .. .	2,622	826	2,950	925
Geelong City .. .. .	20,034	5,263	20,680	5,457
Geelong West City .. .. .	17,313	4,805	18,290	5,114
Gisborne Shire .. .. .	2,122	750	2,230	784
Healesville Shire .. .. .	5,168	1,550	5,510	1,659
Kilmore Shire (Part) see North Central Division (f) (g) .. .. .	..	..	470	115
Korumburra Shire .. .. .	7,386	1,962	7,910	2,118
Lillydale Shire (extra Metropolitan)	4,488	1,613	4,890	1,738
Melton Shire .. .. .	1,424	424	1,580	469
Mornington Shire .. .. .	5,793	2,191	7,540	2,737
Newtown and Chilwell City .. .. .	11,191	3,056	11,860	3,269
Phillip Island Shire .. .. .	1,231	528	1,580	643
Queenscliffe Borough .. .. .	2,551	1,002	2,960	1,123
Romsey Shire (g) .. .. .	2,813	842	2,840	847
South Barwon Shire .. .. .	11,016	3,304	14,520	4,463
Upper Yarra Shire .. .. .	6,952	1,995	6,460	2,126
Werribee Shire (see Altona Shire)	9,414	2,017	10,520	2,367
Whittlesea Shire (extra Metropol- itan) (e) .. .. .	5,724	1,548	8,050	2,256
Wonthaggi Borough .. .. .	4,461	1,327	4,560	1,357
Not Incorporated .. .. .	178	39	180	39
Total-Central Statistical Division	209,447	63,742	244,560	75,275

## North Central Statistical Division.

Alexandra Shire .. .. .	6,523	1,533	5,440	1,607
Broadford Shire .. .. .	1,939	580	2,040	609
Castlemaine Town .. .. .	6,577	1,894	7,020	2,028
Clunes Borough .. .. .	871	307	910	315
Creswick Shire .. .. .	3,554	1,084	3,690	1,125
Daylesford Borough .. .. .	3,216	1,019	3,330	1,055
Glenlyon Shire .. .. .	2,273	853	2,340	869
Kilmore Shire (Part) (see Central Division) .. .. .	1,932	442	1,900	459
Kyneton Shire .. .. .	6,063	1,958	6,340	2,043
Maldon Shire .. .. .	2,030	737	2,040	743
Maryborough Borough .. .. .	6,827	2,034	7,300	2,185
McIvor Shire .. .. .	2,201	642	2,180	638
Metcalfe Shire .. .. .	2,425	726	2,560	765

(f) The part of the Shire of Kilmore included in Central Division was formerly part of the Shire of Broadmeadows.

(g) In 1958 part of the Shire of Romsey was severed and annexed to the Shire of Kilmore.

VICTORIA—POPULATION AND DWELLINGS, ETC.—*continued.*

Municipality.	Population at Census 30.6.54.	Dwellings at Census 30.6.54.	Estimated Population at 30.6.58.	Estimated Dwellings at 30.6.58.
Newham and Woodend Shire ..	2,058	651	2,150	677
Newstead Shire .. .. .	2,088	669	2,150	683
Pyalong Shire .. .. .	483	144	500	153
Seymour Shire .. .. .	11,596	1,963	12,340	2,199
Talbot Shire .. .. .	803	293	820	300
Tullaroop Shire .. .. .	1,416	430	1,460	440
Yea Shire .. .. .	2,866	887	2,920	904
<b>Total—North Central Statistical Division .. .. .</b>	<b>67,741</b>	<b>18,846</b>	<b>69,430</b>	<b>19,797</b>

## Western Statistical Division.

Ararat City .. .. .	7,414	1,804	7,880	1,954
Ararat Shire .. .. .	4,659	1,323	4,940	1,414
Ballaarat City .. .. .	39,945	11,218	42,280	11,955
Ballarat Shire .. .. .	6,145	1,327	7,970	1,894
Belfast Shire .. .. .	1,949	489	1,970	500
Camperdown Borough .. .. .	3,205	906	3,400	965
Colac Town .. .. .	8,032	2,164	8,940	2,443
Colac Shire .. .. .	6,963	1,799	7,060	1,826
Dundas Shire .. .. .	3,903	1,038	4,100	1,102
Glenelg Shire .. .. .	5,949	1,684	6,300	1,794
Grenville Shire .. .. .	1,862	575	1,910	588
Hamilton City .. .. .	8,507	2,273	9,280	2,530
Hampden Shire .. .. .	8,781	2,384	9,050	2,462
Heytesbury Shire .. .. .	6,464	1,632	6,800	1,734
Koroit Borough .. .. .	1,401	350	1,430	359
Leigh Shire .. .. .	1,096	334	1,370	415
Lexton Shire .. .. .	1,350	393	1,470	427
Minhamite Shire .. .. .	2,520	678	2,760	753
Mortlake Shire .. .. .	4,060	1,088	4,350	1,176
Mount Rouse Shire .. .. .	2,859	786	3,010	831
Otway Shire .. .. .	4,197	1,204	4,360	1,254
Port Fairy Borough .. .. .	2,265	683	2,520	762
Portland Town .. .. .	4,759	1,470	5,560	1,717
Portland Shire .. .. .	7,056	1,992	7,370	2,091
Ripon Shire .. .. .	3,365	1,020	3,700	1,134
Sebastopol Borough .. .. .	3,265	863	3,480	931
Wannon Shire .. .. .	3,949	1,078	4,200	1,153
Warrnambool City .. .. .	10,850	2,907	13,910	3,903
Warrnambool Shire .. .. .	8,920	2,217	7,910	1,849
Winchelsea Shire .. .. .	4,361	1,509	4,770	1,637
<b>Total—Western Statistical Division</b>	<b>180,051</b>	<b>49,188</b>	<b>194,050</b>	<b>53,553</b>



VICTORIA—POPULATION AND DWELLINGS, ETC.—*continued.*

Municipality.	Population at Census 30. 6. 54.	Dwellings at Census 30. 6. 54.	Estimated Population at 30. 6. 58.	Estimated Dwellings at 30. 6. 58.
Wimmera Statistical Division.				
Arapiles Shire .. .. .	2,160	573	2,240	596
Avoca Shire .. .. .	2,381	744	2,460	769
Dimboola Shire .. .. .	6,224	1,724	6,520	1,819
Donald Shire .. .. .	2,864	790	3,060	850
Dunmunkle Shire .. .. .	4,110	1,141	4,280	1,197
Horsham City .. .. .	7,767	2,152	8,690	2,433
Kaniva Shire .. .. .	2,290	620	2,490	683
Kara Kara Shire .. .. .	1,663	488	1,680	495
Kowree Shire .. .. .	5,012	1,308	5,400	1,429
Lowan Shire .. .. .	3,999	1,161	4,130	1,199
St. Arnaud Town .. .. .	3,037	865	3,170	905
Stawell Town (Proclaimed Town 1957) .. .. .	5,463	1,603	5,810	1,710
Stawell Shire .. .. .	2,286	751	2,370	778
Warracknabeal Shire .. .. .	4,861	1,366	5,120	1,446
Wimmera Shire .. .. .	3,569	963	3,790	1,029
Total—Wimmera Statistical Division	57,686	16,249	61,210	17,338
Mallee Statistical Division.				
Birchip Shire .. .. .	1,745	459	1,860	492
Karkaroc Shire .. .. .	4,424	1,151	4,620	1,206
Mildura City .. .. .	10,972	2,884	12,020	3,206
Mildura Shire .. .. .	15,727	4,258	16,370	4,454
Swan Hill Borough .. .. .	5,197	1,323	5,930	1,558
Swan Hill Shire .. .. .	11,147	2,908	11,740	3,093
Walpeup Shire .. .. .	4,310	1,151	4,480	1,202
Wycheproof Shire .. .. .	4,548	1,166	4,760	1,232
Total—Mallee Statistical Division	58,070	15,300	61,780	16,443
Northern Statistical Division.				
Bendigo City .. .. .	28,726	8,364	30,700	8,993
Bet Bet Shire .. .. .	2,296	735	2,340	749
Charlton Shire .. .. .	2,359	639	2,510	682
Cobram Shire .. .. .	3,642	943	4,220	1,128
Cohuna Shire .. .. .	3,872	997	4,190	1,096
Deakin Shire .. .. .	4,635	1,232	5,060	1,362
Eaglehawk Borough .. .. .	4,696	1,404	5,000	1,495

VICTORIA--POPULATION AND DWELLINGS, ETC.—*continued.*

Municipality.	Population at Census 30.6.54.	Dwellings at Census 30.6.54.	Estimated Population at 30.6.58.	Estimated Dwellings at 30.6.58.
East Loddon Shire .. ..	1,446	407	1,520	426
Echuca Borough .. ..	5,405	1,489	6,130	1,716
Gordon Shire .. ..	2,969	857	3,070	888
Goulburn Shire .. ..	1,760	505	2,200	657
Huntly Shire .. ..	2,247	670	2,330	695
Inglewood Borough .. ..	957	289	1,000	302
Kerang Shire .. ..	8,483	2,277	9,020	2,444
Korong Shire .. ..	2,986	938	3,030	953
Kyabram Borough .. ..	3,335	888	3,840	1,047
Marong Shire .. ..	5,421	1,532	5,960	1,703
Nathalia Shire.. (h) .. ..	..	..	3,650	1,006
Numurkah Shire (h) .. ..	8,027	2,128	5,200	1,400
Rochester Shire .. ..	6,330	1,713	6,660	1,814
Rodney Shire .. ..	9,181	2,328	10,220	2,559
Shepparton City .. ..	10,848	3,004	12,470	3,530
Shepparton Shire .. ..	5,376	1,362	5,790	1,495
Strathfieldsaye Shire .. ..	4,213	1,120	4,870	1,324
Tungamah Shire .. ..	2,258	627	2,300	639
Waranga Shire .. ..	4,655	1,326	4,690	1,315
Yarrawonga Shire .. ..	3,770	965	4,080	1,065
Total-Northern Statistical Division .. ..	139,893	38,739	152,050	42,483

## North Eastern Statistical Division

Beechworth Shire .. ..	4,417	1,039	4,580	1,085
Benalla Borough .. ..	6,045	1,652	7,220	1,905
Benalla Shire .. ..	4,407	1,016	3,690	1,044
Bright Shire .. ..	8,060	2,092	9,740	2,225
Chiltern Shire .. ..	1,613	502	1,650	515
Euroa Shire .. ..	4,476	1,303	4,790	1,405
Mansfield Shire .. ..	5,023	1,447	5,160	1,517
Meo Shire .. ..	2,072	609	2,100	619
Oxley Shire .. ..	4,393	1,180	4,570	1,236
Rutherglen Shire .. ..	2,897	852	2,990	879
Towong Shire .. ..	4,385	1,187	4,580	1,261
Upper Murray Shire .. ..	2,521	669	2,670	713
Violet Town Shire .. ..	1,424	412	1,460	423
Wangaratta Borough .. ..	10,715	2,761	12,210	3,241
Wangaratta Shire .. ..	2,267	608	2,320	626
Wodonga Shire .. ..	10,924	1,890	12,520	2,345
Yaakandandah Shire .. ..	3,131	825	3,170	839
Total-North Eastern Statistical Division .. ..	78,770	20,044	85,420	21,878

(h) The Shire of Nathalia was constituted in 1957 by annexation of portion of Shire of Numurkah.

VICTORIA—POPULATION AND DWELLINGS, ETC.—*continued.*

Municipality.	Population at Census 30. 6. 54.	Dwellings at Census 30. 6. 54.	Estimated Population at 30. 6. 58.	Estimated Dwellings at 30. 6. 58.
Gippsland Statistical Division.				
Alberton Shire .. ..	5,602	1,665	5,820	1,731
Avon Shire .. ..	3,215	744	3,400	803
Bairnsdale Shire .. ..	10,104	2,707	10,880	2,954
Buln Buln Shire .. ..	8,015	2,212	8,400	2,346
Maffra Shire .. ..	8,554	2,269	8,930	2,407
Mirboo Shire .. ..	1,862	507	1,970	541
Moe Borough (i) .. ..	..	..	13,560	3,694
Morwell Shire .. ..	13,033	3,334	15,460	3,969
Narracan Shire (i) .. ..	21,023	5,499	8,920	2,266
Orbost Shire .. ..	5,492	1,562	5,700	1,625
Rosedale Shire .. ..	3,860	1,193	4,290	1,323
Sale City .. ..	6,537	1,737	7,330	1,976
South Gippsland Shire .. ..	4,882	1,302	5,110	1,370
Tambo Shire .. ..	5,085	1,418	5,490	1,543
Traralgon Shire .. ..	10,036	2,692	11,180	3,047
Warragul Shire .. ..	8,605	2,242	9,450	2,515
Woorayl Shire .. ..	7,046	2,130	7,820	2,372
Yallourn Works Area .. ..	5,580	1,213	5,070	1,265
Total—Gippsland Statistical Division .. ..	128,531	34,426	138,780	37,747

(i) The Borough of Moe was constituted in 1955 by annexation of portion of Shire of Narracan.

SUMMARY.

Statistical Divisions—				
Metropolitan .. ..	1,524,111	431,647	1,726,100	493,994
Central .. ..	209,447	63,742	244,560	75,275
North Central .. ..	67,741	18,846	69,430	19,797
Western .. ..	180,051	49,188	194,050	53,553
Wimmera .. ..	57,686	16,249	61,210	17,338
Mallee .. ..	58,070	15,300	61,780	16,443
Northern .. ..	139,893	38,739	152,050	42,483
North Eastern .. ..	78,770	20,044	85,420	21,878
Gippsland .. ..	128,531	34,426	138,780	37,747
Migratory .. ..	8,041	..	8,017	..
Total Victoria .. ..	2,452,341	688,181	2,741,397	778,508

VICTORIA—POPULATION AND DWELLINGS, ETC.—*continued.*

Municipality.	Population at Census 30.6.54.	Dwellings at Census 30.6.54.	Estimated Population at 30.6.58.	Estimated Dwellings at 30.6.58.
<b>VICTORIA—</b>				
Municipalities—				
Metropolitan .. ..	1,524,111	431,647	1,726,100	493,994
Rest of State .. ..	914,431	255,282	1,002,030	283,210
Yallourn Works Area.. ..	5,580	1,213	5,070	1,265
Not Incorporated .. ..	178	39	180	39
Migratory .. ..	8,041	..	8,017	..
<b>Total Victoria .. ..</b>	<b>2,452,341</b>	<b>688,181</b>	<b>2,741,397</b>	<b>778,508</b>
<b>URBAN AREAS—</b>				
Geelong and Suburbs.. ..	72,595	19,006	85,190	23,171
Ballarat and Suburbs.. ..	48,030	13,104	52,450	14,394
Bendigo and Suburbs.. ..	36,918	10,726	40,310	11,739

**Population of Australian States.**

In the following table is given the estimated population of each Australian State at 31st December, 1958.

## POPULATION OF AUSTRALIAN STATES AND TERRITORIES AT 31st DECEMBER, 1958.

State or Territory.	Area in Square Miles.	Estimated Population at 31st December, 1958.	Persons to the Square Mile.	Proportion in Each State or Territory.
<b>Victoria ..</b>	<b>87,884</b>	<b>2,770,919</b>	<b>31.53</b>	per cent. <b>27.85</b>
New South Wales	309,433	3,725,686	12.04	37.44
Queensland ..	667,000	1,424,818	2.14	14.32
South Australia	380,070	907,992	2.39	9.12
Western Australia	975,920	713,583	0.73	7.17
Tasmania ..	26,215	346,545	13.22	3.48
Northern Territory	523,620	19,122	0.04	0.19
Australian Capital Territory ..	939*	42,953	45.74	0.43
<b>Australia ..</b>	<b>2,971,081</b>	<b>9,951,618</b>	<b>3.35</b>	<b>100.00</b>

\* Includes Jervis Bay.

**Population of Australian States, 1901 to 1954.** In the following table is given the census population of each Australian State from 1901 to 1954:—

### CENSUS POPULATIONS OF THE AUSTRALIAN STATES AND TERRITORIES.

State or Territory.	Population at Census of—					
	1901.	1911.	1921.	1933.	1947.	1954.
<b>Victoria</b> .. ..	<b>1,201,070</b>	<b>1,315,551</b>	<b>1,531,280</b>	<b>1,820,261</b>	<b>2,054,701</b>	<b>2,452,341</b>
New South Wales .. ..	1,354,846	1,646,734	2,100,371	2,600,847	2,984,838	3,423,520
Queensland .. ..	498,129	605,813	755,972	947,534	1,106,415	1,318,259
South Australia .. ..	358,346	408,558	495,160	580,949	646,073	797,094
Western Australia .. ..	184,124	282,114	332,732	438,852	502,480	639,771
Tasmania .. ..	172,475	191,211	213,780	227,599	257,078	308,752
Northern Territory .. ..	4,811	3,310	3,867	4,850	10,868	16,469
Australian Capital Territory .. ..	..	1,714*	2,572	8,947	16,905	30,315
<b>Australia</b> .. ..	<b>3,773,801</b>	<b>4,455,005</b>	<b>5,435,734</b>	<b>6,629,839</b>	<b>7,579,358</b>	<b>8,986,580</b>

\* Part of New South Wales prior to 1911.

**Population of Australian Capital Cities, 1901 to 1954.** The populations of Australian capital cities at each census, 1901 to 1954, are shown in the following table:—

### POPULATIONS OF AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL CITIES, 1901 TO 1954.

Metropolitan Area.	Population at Census of—					
	1901.	1911.	1921.	1933.	1947.	1954.
<b>Melbourne</b> .. ..	<b>496,079</b>	<b>593,237</b>	<b>782,979</b>	<b>991,934</b>	<b>1,226,409</b>	<b>1,524,111</b>
Sydney .. ..	481,830	629,503	899,059	1,235,267	1,484,004	1,863,161
Brisbane .. ..	119,428	139,480	209,946	299,748	402,030	502,320
Adelaide .. ..	162,261	189,646	255,375	312,619	382,454	483,508
Perth .. ..	66,832	103,792	154,873	207,440	272,528	348,647
Hobart .. ..	34,604	39,937	52,361	60,406	76,534	95,206

The population of Canberra at the Census of 1954, was 28,277.

At the Census of 1954, approximately 53 per cent. of the population of Australia was concentrated in the capital cities of the six States.

Sydney has been the most populous city in Australia since 1902.

**Increase of  
Population  
in Census  
Periods.**

The population at each census from 1861 to 1954, and the numerical and percentage increase during each census period, are shown in the following table:—

POPULATION OF VICTORIA, 1861-1954.

Year of Census.	Persons.			Males.			Females.		
	Popula- tion.	Increase in Census Period.		Popula- tion.	Increase in Census Period.		Popula- tion.	Increase in Census Period.	
		Numeri- cal.	Per- centage.		Numeri- cal.	Per- centage.		Numeri- cal.	Per- centage.
1861	538,628	461,283*	596·40*	327,605	281,408*	609·07*	211,023	179,880*	577·59*
1871	730,198	191,570	35·57	400,266	72,661	22·18	329,932	118,909	56·35
1881	861,566	131,368	17·99	451,623	51,357	12·83	409,943	80,011	24·25
1891	1,140,088	278,522	32·33	598,222	146,599	32·46	541,866	131,923	32·18
1901	1,201,070	60,982	5·35	603,720	5,498	0·92	597,350	55,484	10·24
1911	1,315,551	114,481	9·53	655,591	51,871	8·59	659,960	62,610	10·48
1921	1,531,280	215,729	16·40	754,724	99,133	15·12	776,556	116,596	17·67
1933	1,820,261	288,981	18·87	903,244	148,520	19·68	917,017	140,461	18·09
1947	2,054,701	234,440	12·88	1,013,867	110,623	12·25	1,040,834	123,817	13·50
1954	2,452,341	397,640	19·35	1,231,099	217,232	21·43	1,221,242	180,408	17·33

\* Since 1851.

**Masculinity  
of the  
Population.**

The ratio of males to females, at each census from 1861 to 1954, was as follows:—

Census.	Males to 100 Females.
1861	155·25
1871	121·32
1881	110·17
1891	110·40
1901	101·07
1911	99·34
1921	97·19
1933	98·50
1947	97·41
1954	100·81

ABORIGINES IN VICTORIA.

The estimated number of persons with a significant amount of aboriginal blood who were born in Victoria and living in this State on 30th June, 1958, was 830, of whom 15 were recorded as full-blood. In addition, there were approximately 10 full-bloods and 500 part aborigines from other States who had become domiciled in Victoria.

In 1957, following investigation by a Board of Inquiry appointed by the State Government to inquire into the operation of legislation under which aboriginal affairs were being administered, Parliament passed the present *Aborigines Act*. It repealed the law then existing and constituted the Aborigines Welfare Board to replace the former Board for the Protection of the Aborigines. The function of the new Board is to promote the moral, physical and intellectual welfare of aboriginal people living in Victoria, irrespective of their place of birth or degree of native blood, with a view to their assimilation into the general community.

After a preliminary survey of the conditions, the Board has given priority to plans for housing aboriginal people who are living in depressed camp settlements or in sub-standard metropolitan dwellings. Ten houses have already been completed at Mooroopna and are occupied by families transferred from river-bank camps.

The aborigines under the direct care of the Board are maintained on Lake Tyers Aboriginal Station, in East Gippsland, which is under the control of the resident manager. The number on the Station at 30th June, 1958, was 198 of whom six were recorded as full-bloods.

Approximately 80 part-aborigines live on another aboriginal reserve at Framlingham, in the Western District, which is supervised by a local Welfare Committee whose funds are subsidised by the Board. These aborigines are provided with Government cottages, for which they are charged a nominal rental, and maintain themselves with assistance from the Welfare Committee. Many of them receive social service allowances.

During the year ten mixed bloods were born at Lake Tyers Aboriginal Station. No deaths occurred there.

The Board derives its revenue almost wholly from an Annual Appropriation by Parliament, and loan funds are allocated for capital works. The amount expended by the Board during 1957-58 was £16,643. A further £11,460 was spent by the Housing Commission, Victoria, on constructing houses for aborigines as the Board's agent. The Board has accepted responsibility for payment of the economic rent of the houses and charges the aboriginal occupants a small weekly rental according to their means.

#### CENSUS OF 1954.

The last census of the Commonwealth was taken on 30th June, 1954. The population and number of dwellings in each municipality of Victoria at the 1954 Census, and as estimated at 30th June, 1958, appear on page 223 of this *Year Book*.

The population of the statistical divisions of Victoria enumerated at the Census of 1954 are shown in the following table:—

Population in  
Each Statistical  
Division.

VICTORIA—POPULATION OF STATISTICAL DIVISIONS  
AT CENSUS OF 1954.

Statistical Division.	Census, 1954.		
	Males.	Females.	Persons.
1. Metropolitan .. .. .	747,712	776,399	1,524,111
2. Central .. .. .	109,015	100,432	209,447
3. North Central .. .. .	36,805	30,936	67,741
4. Western .. .. .	90,656	89,395	180,051
5. Wimmera .. .. .	29,526	28,160	57,686
6. Mallee .. .. .	30,620	27,450	58,070
7. Northern .. .. .	70,920	68,973	139,893
8. North Eastern .. .. .	41,496	37,274	78,770
9. Gippsland .. .. .	67,854	60,677	128,531
Migratory .. .. .	6,495	1,546	8,041
Total Victoria .. .. .	1,231,099	1,221,242	2,452,341

NOTE.—The boundaries of the Metropolitan Division were re-defined as from 1st January, 1954.

**Ages in the  
Population,  
1947 and 1954.**

The next table shows the change which has taken place in the age constitution of the population of Victoria since 1947:—

VICTORIA—AGE DISTRIBUTION OF THE POPULATION AT  
CENSUSES OF 1947 AND 1954.

Age Last Birthday (Years).	Census, 1947.			Census, 1954.			Increase of Persons, 1947 to 1954.
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	
0-4 ..	100,830	96,409	197,239	132,184	126,151	258,335	61,096
5-9 ..	78,593	75,518	154,111	122,204	116,653	238,857	84,746
10-14 ..	68,738	66,655	135,393	92,175	88,632	180,807	45,414
15-19 ..	76,723	75,271	151,994	78,776	74,945	153,721	1,727
20-24 ..	82,121	83,762	165,883	83,734	77,196	160,930	(-) 4,953
25-29 ..	78,719	80,764	159,483	101,392	93,078	194,470	34,987
30-34 ..	78,988	81,337	160,325	100,487	95,108	195,595	35,270
35-39 ..	76,149	75,585	151,734	87,319	85,875	173,694	21,960
40-44 ..	71,431	67,871	139,302	88,548	84,036	172,584	33,282
45-49 ..	66,437	66,565	133,002	78,969	73,389	152,358	19,356
50-54 ..	58,920	63,955	122,875	69,714	67,798	137,512	14,637
55-59 ..	54,231	57,809	112,040	55,039	59,817	114,856	2,816
60-64 ..	42,105	47,274	89,379	50,136	58,306	108,442	19,063
65 and over	79,882	102,059	181,941	89,922	120,258	210,180	28,239
Total ..	1,013,867	1,040,834	2,054,701	1,231,099	1,221,242	2,452,341	397,640
Under 21 ..	340,417	330,031	670,448	440,629	420,827	861,456	191,008
21-64 ..	593,568	608,744	1,202,312	700,543	680,157	1,380,705	178,393
65 and over	79,882	102,059	181,941	89,922	120,258	210,180	28,239
Total ..	1,013,867	1,040,834	2,054,701	1,231,099	1,221,242	2,452,341	397,640

NOTE.—Minus sign (-) denotes decrease.



Numerical and percentage increases of the population in selected age-groups since 1947 are contrasted in the following table, with corresponding increases from 1933 to 1947:—

VICTORIA—INCREASE OF POPULATION IN AGE-GROUPS:  
CENSUSES, 1933 TO 1954.

Age Group (Years).	Census, 1933.	Increase, 1933-1947.		Increase, 1947-1954.	
	Persons.	Numerical.	Percentage.	Numerical.	Percentage.
Under 21 .. ..	665,650	4,798	0·7	191,008	28·5
21-64 .. ..	1,017,070	185,242	18·2	178,393	14·6
65 and over .. ..	137,541	44,400	32·3	28,239	15·5
Total .. ..	1,820,261	234,440	12·9	397,640	19·4

The following table shows the population of Victoria classified according to conjugal condition:—

VICTORIA—CONJUGAL CONDITION OF POPULATION AT  
CENSUSES OF 1947 AND 1954.

Conjugal Condition.	Census, 1947.			Census, 1954.		
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.
Never Married—						
Under fifteen years of age .. ..	248,161	238,582	486,743	346,563	331,436	677,999
Fifteen years of age and over .. ..	245,767	219,852	465,619	257,342	196,891	454,233
Total—Never Married	493,928	458,434	952,362	603,905	528,327	1,132,232
Married .. ..	463,979	463,406	927,385	570,204	564,688	1,134,892
Married, but permanently separated .. ..	15,291	18,550	33,841	15,214	18,144	33,358
Widowed .. ..	31,793	90,164	121,957	30,906	99,058	129,964
Divorced .. ..	5,689	6,774	12,463	7,250	9,062	16,312
Not stated .. ..	3,187	3,506	6,693	3,620	1,963	5,583
Total .. ..	1,013,867	1,040,834	2,054,701	1,231,099	1,221,242	2,452,341

The following table shows the birthplace of the population at the Census of 1954:—

VICTORIA—BIRTHPLACE OF THE POPULATION AT CENSUS OF 1954.

Birthplace.	Census, 1954.		
	Males.	Females.	Persons.
<b>AUSTRALASIA—</b>			
Australia .. .. .	1,020,836	1,062,543	2,083,379
New Zealand .. .. .	5,456	5,675	11,131
Other .. .. .	118	139	257
<b>Total, Australasia .. .. .</b>	<b>1,026,410</b>	<b>1,068,357</b>	<b>2,094,767</b>
<b>EUROPE—</b>			
England .. .. .	66,190	57,498	123,688
Wales .. .. .	1,743	1,279	3,022
Scotland .. .. .	17,282	14,793	32,075
Northern Ireland .. .. .	1,508	1,295	3,103
Ireland, Republic of .. .. .	1,139	633	1,772
Ireland—Undefined .. .. .	4,753	3,315	8,068
Albania .. .. .	612	84	696
Austria .. .. .	2,064	1,899	3,963
Belgium .. .. .	288	225	613
Czechoslovakia .. .. .	2,579	1,489	4,068
Denmark .. .. .	428	202	630
Estonia .. .. .	652	697	1,349
France .. .. .	725	772	1,497
Germany .. .. .	11,029	10,743	21,772
Greece .. .. .	5,000	2,636	7,645
Hungary .. .. .	2,624	1,683	4,307
Italy .. .. .	27,709	14,720	42,429
Latvia .. .. .	3,021	2,672	5,693
Lithuania .. .. .	1,763	1,199	2,962
Malta .. .. .	4,469	2,662	7,131
Netherlands .. .. .	9,188	6,786	15,974
Norway .. .. .	481	112	593
Poland .. .. .	12,836	8,592	21,428
Romania .. .. .	619	441	1,060
Sweden .. .. .	474	106	580
Switzerland .. .. .	518	448	966
Ukraine .. .. .	2,710	1,968	4,678
U.S.S.R. .. .. .	1,685	1,706	3,591
Yugoslavia .. .. .	4,060	2,058	6,118
Other .. .. .	1,593	877	2,470
<b>Total, Europe .. .. .</b>	<b>190,051</b>	<b>143,690</b>	<b>333,741</b>
<b>ASIA—</b>			
China .. .. .	1,726	492	2,218
Cyprus .. .. .	1,760	636	2,396
Federation of Malaya .. .. .	436	209	645
India, Pakistan, Ceylon .. .. .	2,695	1,638	4,333
Indonesia .. .. .	551	283	834
Israel .. .. .	772	754	1,526
Syria and Lebanon .. .. .	321	224	545
Other .. .. .	1,310	754	2,064
<b>Total, Asia .. .. .</b>	<b>9,571</b>	<b>4,990</b>	<b>14,561</b>
<b>AFRICA—</b>			
Union of South Africa .. .. .	882	850	1,732
Egypt .. .. .	1,523	1,225	2,748
Other .. .. .	255	218	473
<b>Total, Africa .. .. .</b>	<b>2,660</b>	<b>2,293</b>	<b>4,953</b>
<b>AMERICA—</b>			
Canada .. .. .	582	480	1,062
United States .. .. .	1,349	905	2,254
Other .. .. .	221	211	432
<b>Total, America .. .. .</b>	<b>2,152</b>	<b>1,596</b>	<b>3,748</b>
<b>OTHER</b> .. .. .	<b>255</b>	<b>316</b>	<b>571</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL .. .. .</b>	<b>1,231,099</b>	<b>1,221,242</b>	<b>2,452,341</b>

**Nationality of the Population, 1947 and 1954.** The censuses of 1947 and 1954 show the nationality of the population as follows:—

VICTORIA—NATIONALITY OF THE POPULATION AT CENSUSES OF 1947 AND 1954.

Nationality.	Census, 1947.			Census, 1954.		
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.
BRITISH* ..	1,005,324	1,037,770	2,043,094	1,148,786	1,167,012	2,315,798
FOREIGN—						
American (U.S.)	617	270	887	1,042	606	1,648
Austrian ..	193	116	309	699	651	1,350
Chinese ..	1,030	82	1,112	1,401	189	1,590
Czechoslovakian	78	43	121	1,462	809	2,271
Dutch ..	468	191	659	9,255	7,035	16,290
Estonian ..	15	5	20	565	609	1,174
French ..	87	94	181	514	493	1,007
German ..	801	354	1,155	6,078	5,414	11,492
Greek ..	1,101	207	1,308	4,037	2,241	6,278
Hungarian ..	60	44	104	1,683	1,118	2,801
Italian ..	1,747	573	2,320	23,225	11,981	35,206
Latvian ..	13	11	24	2,992	2,814	5,806
Lithuanian ..	3	6	9	1,646	1,148	2,794
Norwegian ..	155	23	178	239	61	300
Polish ..	575	480	1,055	9,370	6,889	16,259
Portuguese ..	13	4	17	425	7	432
Romanian ..	9	13	22	267	180	447
Russian ..	57	36	93	548	495	1,043
Swiss ..	89	28	117	310	264	574
Ukrainian ..	†	†	†	3,185	2,453	5,638
Yugoslavian ..	128	25	153	3,450	2,045	5,495
Other ..	852	177	1,029	2,446	988	3,434
Stateless ..	452	282	734	7,474	5,740	13,214
Total, Foreign	8,543	3,064	11,607	82,313	54,230	136,543
GRAND TOTAL	1,013,867	1,040,834	2,054,701	1,231,099	1,221,242	2,452,341

\* Includes Irish.

† Included with U.S.S.R.

The next table shows the period of residence in Australia, at censuses of 1947 and 1954, of persons who were not born in Australia, in 1947 and 1954. —

VICTORIA—PERIOD OF RESIDENCE IN AUSTRALIA, AT CENSUSES OF 1947 AND 1954, OF PERSONS WHO WERE NOT BORN IN AUSTRALIA.

Number of Completed Years of Residence.	Census, 1947.			Census, 1954.		
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.
0 .. .. .	4,550	3,077	7,627	18,237	13,343	31,580
1 .. .. .	930	1,283	2,213	10,416	9,128	19,544
2 .. .. .	391	306	697	22,428	13,659	36,087
3 .. .. .	167	106	273	24,115	17,329	41,444
4 .. .. .	148	70	218	26,517	19,140	45,657
0-4 .. .. .	6,186	4,842	11,028	101,713	72,599	174,312
5 .. .. .	663	335	998	19,547	14,009	33,556
6 .. .. .	869	486	1,355	5,975	4,483	10,458
7 .. .. .	1,363	909	2,272	2,583	2,243	4,826
8 .. .. .	2,640	2,204	4,844	4,233	3,325	7,558
9 .. .. .	1,866	1,223	3,089			
10-14 .. .. .	3,471	3,227	6,698			
5-14 .. .. .	10,872	8,384	19,256	32,338	24,060	56,398
15 and over .. .. .	79,670	63,452	143,122	72,948	59,243	132,191
Not stated .. .. .	2,623	2,571	5,194	3,264	2,797	6,061
Born outside Australia	99,351	79,249	178,600	210,263	158,899	368,962
Born in Australia ..	914,516	961,585	1,876,101	1,020,836	1,062,543	2,083,379
Total .. .. .	1,013,867	1,040,834	2,054,701	1,231,099	1,221,242	2,452,341

The following table shows the religion of the population at censuses of 1947 and 1954. —

VICTORIA—RELIGION OF THE POPULATION AT CENSUSES OF 1947 AND 1954.

Religion.	Census, 1947.			Census, 1954.		
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.
<b>CHRISTIAN—</b>						
Baptist .. .. .	14,803	17,217	32,020	16,084	18,232	34,316
Brethren .. .. .	1,125	1,459	2,584	1,479	1,782	3,261
Catholic, Roman (a) ..	71,179	62,986	134,165	99,128	82,083	181,211
Catholic (a) .. .. .	133,744	151,752	285,496	188,492	194,951	383,443
Church of Christ .. ..	13,746	15,976	29,722	15,797	17,811	33,608
Church of England ..	360,028	369,874	729,902	413,591	418,882	832,473
Congregational .. .. .	5,058	6,316	11,374	5,417	6,505	11,922
Greek Orthodox .. .. .	(b)	(b)	(b)	12,219	7,902	20,121
Lutheran .. .. .	5,244	4,758	10,002	11,785	11,108	22,893
Methodist .. .. .	112,874	121,721	234,595	122,377	130,425	252,802
Presbyterian .. .. .	139,628	148,755	288,383	158,811	167,611	326,422
Protestant, undefined	13,397	13,876	27,273	18,787	18,966	37,753
Salvation Army .. ..	5,060	5,924	10,984	5,291	6,100	11,391

(a) So described on individual Census schedules.

(b) Not available.

VICTORIA—RELIGION OF THE POPULATION AT CENSUSES OF 1947  
AND 1954—continued.

Religion.	Census, 1947.			Census, 1954.		
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.
CHRISTIAN—continued.						
Seventh Day Adventist .. ..	1,298	1,978	3,276	1,906	2,562	4,468
Other .. ..	6,118	7,148	13,266	6,967	7,981	14,948
Total, Christian .. ..	883,302	929,740	1,813,042	1,078,131	1,092,901	2,171,032
NON-CHRISTIAN—						
Hebrew .. ..	7,696	7,214	14,910	12,211	11,805	24,016
Other .. ..	895	130	1,025	1,830	453	2,283
Total, Non-Christian .. ..	8,591	7,344	15,935	14,041	12,258	26,299
Indefinite .. ..	2,547	2,281	4,828	2,579	2,239	4,818
No Religion .. ..	5,517	2,441	7,958	4,564	2,073	6,637
No Reply .. ..	113,910	99,028	212,938	131,784	111,771	243,555
Grand Total .. ..	1,018,867	1,040,834	2,054,701	1,231,099	1,221,242	2,452,341

In the following table the male and female populations of Victoria are classified according to the industry in which they are usually engaged:—

VICTORIA—INDUSTRY OF THE POPULATION AT  
CENSUS OF 1954.

Industry.	Males.	Females.	Persons.
Primary production—			
Agricultural, grazing, and dairying .. ..	102,949	8,355	111,304
Other .. ..	5,175	21	5,196
Total, Primary Production .. ..	108,124	8,376	116,500
Mining and quarrying .. ..	4,463	123	4,586
Manufacturing—			
Founding, engineering, and metalworking .. ..	65,219	10,006	75,225
Manufacture, assembly, and repair of ships, vehicles, parts and accessories .. ..	40,121	3,044	43,165
Manufacture of clothing, knitted goods, boots, shoes, &c. . . . .	19,561	36,518	56,079
Manufacture of food, drink, and tobacco .. ..	33,378	9,027	42,405
Paper, printing, bookbinding and photography .. ..	18,694	5,939	24,633
Other .. ..	75,259	24,638	99,897
Total, Manufacturing .. ..	252,232	89,172	341,404
Building and construction .. ..	84,401	1,067	85,468
Transport and storage .. ..	58,608	4,086	62,694
Communication .. ..	17,870	4,936	22,806
Finance and property .. ..	18,938	9,690	28,628
Commerce .. ..	109,765	51,909	161,674
Public authority ( <i>n.e.t.</i> ) and professional activities .. ..	72,584	51,521	124,105
Amusement, hotels, cafes, personal service &c. .. ..	28,306	32,826	61,132
Electricity, gas, water, &c. .. ..	24,116	1,491	25,607
Industry inadequately described or not stated .. ..	7,541	2,249	9,790
Persons not in work force .. ..	444,151	963,796	1,407,947
Grand Total .. ..	1,231,099	1,221,242	2,452,341

Occupational Status of the Population, 1947 and 1954. The following table shows the occupational status of the population at censuses of 1947 and 1954 :—

VICTORIA—OCCUPATIONAL STATUS OF THE POPULATION  
AT CENSUSES OF 1947 AND 1954.

Occupational Status.	Census, 1947.			Census, 1954.		
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.
In work force—						
At work—						
Employer . . . . .	53,696	7,545	61,241	59,396	8,975	68,371
Self-employed . . . . .	96,689	14,741	111,430	103,083	16,302	119,385
Employee (on wage or salary) . . . . .	498,202	188,491	686,693	608,575	225,965	834,540
Helper (not on wage or salary) . . . . .	7,356	1,138	8,494	5,154	2,751	7,905
Total at work . . . . .	655,943	211,915	867,858	776,208	253,993	1,030,201
Not at work (a) . . . . .	13,838	4,191	18,029	9,659	2,997	12,656
Total in work force..	669,781	216,106	885,887	785,867	256,990	1,042,857
Not in work force . . . . .	339,269	823,390	1,162,659	444,151	963,796	1,407,947
Not stated . . . . .	4,817	1,338	6,155	1,081	456	1,537
Grand Total . . . . .	1,013,867	1,040,834	2,054,701	1,231,090	1,221,242	2,452,341

(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.

The following is a list of extra-metropolitan localities in Victoria which contained a population of 1,000 persons or over at the Census of 1954:—

Locality.	Population.	Locality.	Population.
Alexandra .. ..	1,712	Mansfield .. ..	1,861
Ararat .. ..	7,414	Maryborough .. ..	6,827
Avoca .. ..	1,025	Merbein .. ..	1,768
Bacchus Marsh .. ..	2,825	Mildura .. ..	10,972
Bairnsdale .. ..	5,718	Moe .. ..	8,770
Ballaarat .. ..	39,945	Mooroopna .. ..	1,796
Beaufort .. ..	1,281	Mornington .. ..	3,589
Beechworth .. ..	3,153	Mortlake .. ..	1,048
Benalla .. ..	6,045	Morwell .. ..	9,040
Bendigo .. ..	28,726	Mount Beauty .. ..	1,782
Broadford .. ..	1,451	Murtoa .. ..	1,132
Camperdown .. ..	3,205	Myrtleford .. ..	1,538
Casterton .. ..	2,391	Nathalia .. ..	1,046
Castlemaine .. ..	6,577	Newborough .. ..	3,657
Charlton .. ..	1,408	Newtown and Chilwell .. ..	11,191
Cobram .. ..	1,695	Nhill .. ..	2,208
Cohuna .. ..	1,542	Numurkah .. ..	2,195
Colac .. ..	8,032	Ocean Grove .. ..	1,353
Coleraine .. ..	1,393	Orbost .. ..	2,214
Creswick .. ..	1,606	Ouyen .. ..	1,426
Daylesford .. ..	3,216	Pakenham East .. ..	1,110
Dimboola .. ..	1,814	Penshurst .. ..	1,026
Donald .. ..	1,480	Port Fairy .. ..	2,265
Dromana .. ..	1,257	Portland .. ..	4,759
Drouin .. ..	2,104	Queenscliff .. ..	2,551
Eaglehawk .. ..	4,696	Red Cliffs .. ..	2,361
Echuca .. ..	5,405	Rochester .. ..	1,791
Eildon Weir .. ..	2,913	Rosebud .. ..	1,694
Euroa .. ..	2,657	Rutherglen .. ..	1,370
Geelong .. ..	20,034	Rye .. ..	1,055
Geelong West .. ..	17,313	Sale .. ..	6,537
Hamilton .. ..	8,507	Sebastopol .. ..	3,265
Hastings .. ..	1,022	Seymour .. ..	3,736
Healesville .. ..	2,707	Shepparton .. ..	10,848
Heathcote .. ..	1,273	Shepparton East .. ..	1,071
Heyfield .. ..	2,184	Sorrento .. ..	1,823
Horsham .. ..	7,767	St. Arnaud .. ..	3,037
Irymple .. ..	1,068	Stawell .. ..	5,463
Kerang .. ..	3,227	Sunbury .. ..	2,385
Kilmore .. ..	1,474	Swan Hill .. ..	5,197
Koroit .. ..	1,401	Tatura .. ..	1,929
Korumburra .. ..	2,858	Terang .. ..	2,365
Kyabram .. ..	3,335	Tongala .. ..	1,465
Kyneton .. ..	3,232	Trafalgar .. ..	1,537
Lakes Entrance .. ..	1,252	Traralgon .. ..	8,845
Leongatha .. ..	2,304	Wangaratta .. ..	10,715
Maffra .. ..	3,161	Warburton .. ..	1,320

Locality.	Population.	Locality.	Population.
Warracknabeal .. ..	3,009	Woodend .. ..	1,093
Warragul .. ..	5,324	Wycheproof .. ..	1,006
Warrnambool .. ..	10,850	Yallourn North .. ..	1,457
Werribee .. ..	4,335	Yallourn Works Area .. ..	5,580
Werribee South .. ..	1,480	Yarragon .. ..	1,096
Winchelsea .. ..	1,234	Yarram .. ..	1,800
Wodonga .. ..	5,259	Yarrawonga .. ..	2,953
Wonthaggi .. ..	4,461	Yea .. ..	1,131