

CHAPTER V.—LABOUR ORGANIZATIONS.

§ 1. Labour Organizations in Australia.

1. *General.*—In Labour Report No. 2 an outline was given of the method adopted to ascertain the number of members of labour organizations in Australia, and tabulated results were included up to the end of 1912. From the beginning of 1913, quarterly returns were obtained from a considerable number of trade unions, and these were supplemented at the end of each year by special inquiries as to the membership of those unions which, owing to the nature of the callings and industries covered, were unable to furnish quarterly returns. The figures shown below are prepared from a special collection of membership at 31st December each year. The affairs of single unions are not disclosed in the published results and this has assisted in securing complete information. The Bureau is indebted to the secretaries of trade unions for their co-operation in supplying information.

In this chapter figures for the years 1955 to 1958 are compared with those for 1939. Particulars for earlier years will be found in previous issues of the Labour Report.

2. *Trade Unions.*—(i) *Types.*—The types of trade unions in Australia vary greatly, and range from the small independent association to the large interstate organization, which, in its turn, may be a branch of an international body. Broadly speaking, there are four distinct classes of labour organizations:—(i) the local independent; (ii) the State; (iii) the interstate; and (iv) the Australasian or international. The schemes of organization of interstate or federated unions vary greatly in character. In some unions the State organizations are bound together under a system of unification with centralized control, while in others the State units are practically independent and self-governing, the federal bond being loose and existing only for one or two specified purposes.

(ii) *Number and Membership, States.*—The following table gives particulars of the number of separate unions and the number of members at the end of the years 1939 and 1955 to 1958:—

TRADE UNIONS: NUMBER AND MEMBERSHIP.

Year.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aust.
NUMBER OF SEPARATE UNIONS.									
1939..	200	149	114	117	141	79	4	15	(a) 380
1955..	235	160	130	138	154	101	20	32	372
1956..	237	162	135	140	157	101	23	33	375
1957..	235	162	133	137	156	98	21	33	373
1958..	231	161	131	136	156	98	20	30	370
NUMBER OF MEMBERS.									
1939..	358,391	216,803	180,653	67,282	67,833	22,062	761	1,685	915,470
1955..	731,960	446,372	305,509	146,422	111,959	51,401	2,440	5,799	1,801,862
1956..	736,152	441,286	314,782	147,728	110,447	52,708	2,352	5,953	1,811,408
1957..	737,358	443,040	310,821	144,914	114,095	51,951	2,408	5,567	1,810,154
1958..	731,375	444,150	313,744	147,029	114,494	51,508	2,433	6,485	1,811,218
PERCENTAGE INCREASE IN MEMBERSHIP.(b)									
1939..	3.3	0.8	6.5	8.7	0.1	4.8	5.6	9.6	3.4
1955..	-0.1	2.9	0.1	-0.8	2.2	2.2	12.5	-2.9	0.8
1956..	0.6	-1.1	3.0	0.9	-1.4	2.5	-3.6	2.7	-0.5
1957..	0.2	0.4	-1.3	-1.9	3.3	-1.4	2.4	-6.5	-0.1
1958..	-0.8	0.3	0.9	1.5	0.3	-0.9	1.0	16.5	0.1

(a) Without interstate duplication. (See letterpress on p. 149.)

(b) On preceding year.

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes decrease.

In the table above, under the heading "Number of Separate Unions", a union with members in a State is counted as one union within that State. The figures by States do not add to the Australian total (shown in the last column) because a union represented in more than one State is included in the figure for each State in which it is represented, but is counted only once in the Australian total.

The collection of statistics relating to the number of branches of trade unions, appearing in issues of the Labour Report prior to No. 39, has been discontinued.

(iii) *Number and Membership, Industrial Groups.*—The following table shows the number and membership of trade unions in Australia in industrial groups at the end of the years 1955 to 1958 compared with 1939.

TRADE UNIONS: INDUSTRIAL GROUPS, AUSTRALIA.

Industrial Group.	1939.	1955.	1956.	1957.	1958.
NUMBER OF SEPARATE UNIONS.(a)					
I. Wood, Furniture, etc.	4	6	6	6	7
II. Engineering, Metal Works, etc.	22	15	15	15	15
III. Food, Drink, Tobacco, etc.	35	37	35	35	34
IV. Clothing, Textiles, etc.	12	7	7	7	7
V. Books, Printing, etc.	8	6	6	6	6
VI. Other Manufacturing	37	36	38	38	36
VII. Building	28	29	29	30	30
VIII. Mining, Quarrying, etc.	13	13	13	12	12
IX. Railway and Tramway Services	29	25	25	25	25
X. Other Transport	6	9	10	11	10
XI. Shipping, Wharf Labour, etc.	21	14	14	14	14
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, etc.	5	3	3	3	3
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, etc.	18	12	12	12	12
XIV. Miscellaneous—					
(i) Banking, Insurance and Clerical	20	19	20	18	19
(ii) Public Service	50	62	63	66	66
(iii) Retail and Wholesale	8	12	12	12	12
(iv) Municipal, Sewerage and Labouring	11	10	10	10	10
(v) Other Miscellaneous	53	57	57	53	52
Total	380	372	375	373	370

NUMBER OF MEMBERS.

I. Wood, Furniture, etc.	27,990	47,678	46,081	45,460	42,631
II. Engineering, Metal Works, etc.	99,731	266,897	267,141	270,798	275,273
III. Food, Drink, Tobacco, etc.	80,328	106,865	103,230	107,999	110,563
IV. Clothing, Textiles, etc.	68,847	107,618	105,064	101,967	96,239
V. Books, Printing, etc.	22,303	41,514	42,464	43,312	45,455
VI. Other Manufacturing	52,074	85,023	83,537	86,115	86,816
VII. Building	45,651	134,224	145,448	135,541	132,492
VIII. Mining, Quarrying, etc.	48,812	46,641	47,081	42,221	38,332
IX. Railway and Tramway Services	105,938	146,401	145,791	141,566	137,438
X. Other Transport	19,488	66,627	60,293	59,985	62,104
XI. Shipping, Wharf Labour, etc.	28,760	41,612	39,328	38,162	38,131
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, etc.	40,276	66,224	64,717	62,028	61,120
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, etc.	13,177	37,722	38,209	39,196	40,441
XIV. Miscellaneous—					
(i) Banking, Insurance and Clerical	39,013	114,218	110,734	112,722	110,747
(ii) Public Service	89,848	203,437	209,497	216,200	227,033
(iii) Retail and Wholesale	36,290	71,583	72,635	73,238	74,736
(iv) Municipal, Sewerage and Labouring	46,552	83,572	86,231	87,740	82,260
(v) Other Miscellaneous	50,392	134,006	141,927	145,904	149,407
Total	915,470	1,801,862	1,811,408	1,810,154	1,811,218

(a) Without interstate duplication. See above.

(iv) *Numbers of Members and Proportion of Wage and Salary Earners.*—

(a) *General.*—The following tables show the estimated percentages of wage and salary earners in employment who are members of trade unions. As current estimates of wage and salary earners in employment do not include employees engaged in rural industry or females in private domestic service, the percentages have been calculated on figures obtained by adding to the end of year estimates the numbers of employees in rural industry and female private domestic service recorded at the Census of 30th June, 1954. For this reason and also because the membership of trade unions includes some persons not in employment, the percentages shown in the tables must be regarded as approximations.

(b) *States.*—The table below shows, for each State and the Northern Territory, the number of males, females and persons who were members of trade unions at 31st December, 1958 and the estimated percentages as described above. In interpreting these, it should be noted that certain employees such as those in professional occupations may not be eligible for membership of a specified union, while others may not reside in a locality covered by a union devoted to their particular trade or occupation. The percentages are not directly comparable with those published in issues of the Labour Report prior to No. 44.

TRADE UNIONS: NUMBER OF MEMBERS AND PROPORTION OF TOTAL WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS, 31st DECEMBER, 1958.

State.	Number of Members.			Proportion of Total Wage and Salary Earners. (Per cent.)		
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.
New South Wales a	596,417	141,443	737,860	68	42	61
Victoria ..	355,272	88,878	444,150	57	35	51
Queensland ..	247,347	66,397	313,744	77	64	73
South Australia ..	124,040	22,989	147,029	62	34	55
Western Australia	96,637	17,857	114,494	63	36	57
Tasmania ..	43,720	7,788	51,508	60	33	53
Northern Territory	2,249	184	2,433	35	12	30
Australia ..	1,465,682	345,536	1,811,218	65	41	59

(a) Includes the Australian Capital Territory.

(c) *Australia.*—Similar particulars for Australia as at the end of each of the years 1939 and 1955 to 1958 are given in the following table.

TRADE UNIONS: NUMBER OF MEMBERS AND PROPORTION OF TOTAL WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS, AUSTRALIA.

Year.	Number of Members.			Proportion of Total Wage and Salary Earners. (Per cent.)		
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.
1939	778,336	137,134	915,470	52	24	44
1955	1,464,016	337,846	1,801,862	68	43	61
1956	1,470,606	340,802	1,811,408	67	43	61
1957	1,463,985	346,169	1,810,154	65	42	59
1958	1,465,682	345,536	1,811,218	65	41	59

(v) *Classification according to Number of Members.*—The following table shows the number and membership of all trade unions in Australia at the end of each of the years 1939 and 1955 to 1958, classified according to size. In this table interstate unions are counted once only.

TRADE UNIONS: CLASSIFICATION ACCORDING TO NUMBER OF MEMBERS, AUSTRALIA.

Year.	Under 2,000.	2,000 and under 5,000.	5,000 and under 10,000.	10,000 and under 20,000.	20,000 and under 30,000.	30,000 and under 40,000.	40,000 and under 50,000.	50,000 and over.	Total.
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NUMBER OF UNIONS.

1939 ..	298	41	14	19	5	3			380
1955 ..	264	43	20	17	10	10	2	6	372
1956 ..	266	42	22	16	10	10	3	6	375
1957 ..	261	42	27	14	10	10	3	6	373
1958 ..	260	42	24	16	10	7	5	6	370

MEMBERSHIP.

1939 ..	125,565	134,204	87,077	265,710	122,519	180,395			915,470
1955 ..	134,101	134,823	140,970	222,814	243,592	358,009	91,819	475,734	1,801,862
1956 ..	132,698	126,736	153,548	211,937	235,043	350,672	136,062	464,712	1,811,408
1957 ..	128,554	122,311	194,132	186,720	232,801	358,095	131,744	455,797	1,810,154
1958 ..	130,333	130,933	178,003	217,500	242,497	248,913	215,745	447,294	1,811,218

PROPORTION OF TOTAL MEMBERSHIP. (PER CENT.)

1939 ..	13.7	14.6	9.5	29.1	13.4	19.7			100.0
1955 ..	7.5	7.5	7.8	12.3	13.5	19.9	5.1	26.4	100.0
1956 ..	7.3	7.0	8.5	11.7	13.0	19.4	7.5	25.6	100.0
1957 ..	7.1	6.8	10.7	10.3	12.8	19.8	7.3	25.2	100.0
1958 ..	7.2	7.2	9.8	12.0	13.4	13.8	11.9	24.7	100.0

In the last part of the preceding table the percentage which the membership in each group bears to the total membership of all groups is given. The tendency towards closer organization is evidenced by the fact that although membership of trade unions increased between 1912 and 1958 by 318 per cent., the number of unions having less than 2,000 members considerably decreased, namely, from 360 to 260. In 1958, 7.2 per cent. of trade union members belonged to unions having less than 2,000 members, as compared with 13.7 per cent. in 1939 and 28.1 per cent. in 1912.

(vi) *Interstate or Federated Trade Unions.*—The following table gives particulars regarding the number and membership of interstate or federated trade unions having branches in two or more States. The figures include interstate unions registered under the Conciliation and Arbitration Act 1904–1958, as well as federated unions which are not so registered:—

INTERSTATE OR FEDERATED TRADE UNIONS: NUMBER AND MEMBERSHIP.(a)

Year.	Unions Operating in—					Total.
	2 States.	3 States.	4 States.	5 States.	6 States.	

NUMBER OF UNIONS.

1939	19	11	20	24	42	116
1955	14	9	21	32	65	141
1956	14	8	22	33	66	143
1957	15	8	22	33	64	142
1958	13	12	20	33	63	141

NUMBER OF MEMBERS.

1939	30,888	33,319	120,664	209,369	361,884	756,124
1955	34,536	59,752	144,282	420,769	925,723	1,585,062
1956	33,864	61,257	142,799	425,861	928,870	1,592,651
1957	31,281	64,510	206,839	383,194	892,089	1,577,913
1958	31,348	64,983	206,572	385,246	887,929	1,576,078

(a) Certain unions have, in addition to branches in the States, branches in the Northern Territory and in the Australian Capital Territory.

The number of organizations operating in two or more States increased from 72 in 1912 to 141 in 1958, and the ratio of the membership of such organizations to the total membership of all organizations rose from 65 per cent. to 87 per cent. during the same period.

3. Central Labour Organizations.—Delegate organizations, consisting of representatives from a group of trade unions, have been established in each of the capital cities, as well as in a number of other industrial centres. Their revenue is raised by means of a *per capita* tax on the members of each affiliated union. In the majority of the towns where such central organizations exist, most of the local unions are affiliated with the central organization, which is usually known as the Labour or the Trades Hall Council. In Western Australia a unified system of organization extends over the industrial centres throughout the State, and there is a provincial branch of the Australian Labour Party, having a central council and executive, and metropolitan and branch district councils with which the local bodies are affiliated. The central council, on which all district councils are represented, meets periodically. In the other States, however, the organization is not so close, and though provision usually exists in the rules of the central council in the capital city of each State for the organization of district councils, or for the representation on the central council of the local councils in the smaller industrial centres of the State, the councils in each State are, as a matter of fact, independent

bodies. The following table shows, for each State, the number of metropolitan and district or local labour councils, together with the number of unions and branches of unions affiliated therewith, at the end of the years 1939 and 1955 to 1958.

CENTRAL LABOUR ORGANIZATIONS : NUMBER, AND UNIONS AND BRANCH UNIONS AFFILIATED.

Year.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aus- tralia.
NUMBER OF COUNCILS.									
1939..	3	5	6	2	8	2	..	1	27
1955..	11	9	13	6	10	5	..	1	55
1956..	11	9	13	6	10	5	..	1	55
1957..	11	9	12	6	10	5	..	1	54
1958..	11	9	12	6	10	5	..	1	54
NUMBER OF UNIONS AND BRANCH UNIONS AFFILIATED.									
1939..	103	179	79	50	210	59	..	9	689
1955..	287	263	152	132	397	103	..	22	1,356
1956..	290	262	161	141	399	103	..	22	1,378
1957..	290	273	166	147	403	113	..	22	1,414
1958..	297	269	171	150	400	113	..	23	1,423

The figures regarding number of unions do not necessarily represent separate unions, since the branches of a large union may be affiliated with the local trades councils in the several towns in which they are represented.

Between the trade union and the central organization of unions may be classed certain State or district councils organized on trade lines and composed of delegates from separate unions whose members' interests are closely connected by reason of their occupations. Delegate councils of bakers, bread carters and mill employees, or of unions connected directly or indirectly with the metal trades, or with the building trades, may be so classed.

A Central Labour Organization, now called the Australian Council of Trade Unions, came into being during 1927. The Council was created to function on behalf of the trade unions of Australia, and was founded at an All-Australian Trade Union Congress held in Melbourne in May, 1927. The A.C.T.U. consists of affiliated unions and affiliated Metropolitan and/or State Labour Councils and Provincial Councils. The Metropolitan or State Labour Council in each State is the State Branch of the A.C.T.U. and it has the right to appoint one representative to act on the executive of the Council. In addition to the representatives of the State Branches of the A.C.T.U., six delegates are elected by and from Congress, one from each of the following industry groups:—Building, Food and Distributive Services, Manufacturing, Metal, Services and Transport. To this Executive are added the four officers, namely, President, two Vice-Presidents, and Secretary, who are elected by and from the Australian Congress of Trade Unions.

The objectives of the A.C.T.U. are the socialization of industry, i.e., production, distribution and exchange, and the utilization of the resources of Australia for the benefit of the people—ensuring full employment, with rising standards of living, real security and full cultural opportunities for all. The methods to be adopted are:—the closer organization of the workers by the transformation of the Australian trade union movement from the craft

to an industrial basis, by grouping of unions in their respective industries and by the establishment of one union in each industry; the consolidation of the Australian Labour Movement with the object of unified control, administration, and action; the centralized control of industrial disputes; educational propaganda among unions; and political action to secure satisfactory working-class legislation.

The A.C.T.U. was the first interstate body in Australia with authority to deal with industrial matters of an interstate character affecting the trade union movement generally. It is also the body responsible for submitting to the Commonwealth Government the names of persons suitable for selection as the Australian workers' delegate to the annual International Labour Conference.

4. Organizations Registered under the Conciliation and Arbitration Act.—Under Part VIII. of the Conciliation and Arbitration Act 1904-1958, any association of employers in any industry who have, or any employer who has, employed, on an average taken per month, not less than 100 employees during the six months preceding application for registration, and any association of not less than 100 employees in any industry, may be registered.* Registered unions include both interstate associations and associations operating within one State only.

At the end of 1958 the number of employers' organizations registered under the provisions of the Act was 60. The number of unions registered at the end of 1958 was 158, with membership of 1,466,709, representing 81 per cent. of the total membership of all trade unions in Australia.

§ 2. International Labour Organization.

1. General.—The International Labour Organization (I.L.O.) was established on 11th April, 1919, as an autonomous institution associated with the League of Nations. Its original constitution was adopted as Part XIII. of the Treaty of Versailles and formed part of other treaties of peace. During the years between its establishment and the outbreak of the 1939-45 War, the I.L.O., with head-quarters at Geneva, played a leading role in promoting the improvement of labour conditions throughout the world.

In 1940, in order to ensure that the I.L.O. should be able to continue to function freely, a working centre was established at Montreal, Canada. In 1946 the Organization became the first of the specialized agencies of the United Nations. Under the terms of agreement, the United Nations recognizes the I.L.O. as a specialized agency having responsibility in the field defined by its constitution, which embraces labour conditions, industrial relations, employment organization, social security and other aspects of social policy. The Organization has three basic parts. These are the International Labour Conference, its highest authority, which as a rule meets annually; the Governing Body, its executive council, which usually meets three times each year; and the International Labour Office, which provides the Secretariat of the Organization. The Conference is composed of delegations from the Member States of the Organization. At the end of 1958 there were 79 Member States, each of which is entitled to be represented by four delegates—two Government, one representing employers and one representing workers, together with their advisers. Each delegate speaks and votes independently, so that all points of view in each country are fully expressed. The Governing Body consists of the representatives

* Under the Public Service Arbitration Act an association of less than 100 employees may be registered as an organization, provided that its members comprise at least three-fifths of all persons engaged in that industry in the Service. Such organizations are included in the figures shown in the paragraph following.

of twenty governments, and ten employers' and ten workers' representatives. Of the twenty government representatives, half are from the ten countries of major industrial importance and ten are elected by the remaining governments. These latter ten government representatives and the ten employers' and ten workers' titular delegates and the deputy members of the three groups are elected by their groups at the Conference every three years. Particulars are given in previous issues of the Labour Report of the proceedings of International Labour Conferences up to the 40th Session held in Geneva in June, 1957.

2. The International Labour Conference.—(i) *General.*—These Conferences are composed of government, employer and worker delegations from member countries. The employer and worker delegates to the International Labour Conferences must be chosen, under the provisions of the I.L.O. Constitution, by each Government in agreement with the most representative employer and worker organizations of the country. The principle function of the Conference (which meets at least once a year) is to draft international minimum social and labour standards which take the form of International Labour Conventions and Recommendations.

(ii) *Recent Sessions.*—Two sessions of the Conference were held in 1958, both in Geneva.

The 41st (Maritime) Session, held in May, was the first maritime session for 12 years, but it had been prepared for by the Preparatory Technical Maritime Conference held in London in 1956. The Australian delegation was:—Government delegates, Mr. A. A. L. Brentwood and Captain D. S. Bull; Employers' delegate, Mr. P. W. Haddy; Workers' delegate, Mr. T. Martin; together with their advisers.

The main topics were:—A general revision of the convention of 1949 on wages, hours of work and manning at sea, employment offices for seafarers, the effect on social conditions and safety of flag transfer, medical chests and medical advice by radio to ships at sea, suspension of officers' certificates of competence and general recognition of seafarers' national identity cards.

The 42nd Session was held in June. The Australian delegation was:—Government delegates, Dr. I. G. Sharp and Mr. G. Jockel; Employers' delegate, Mr. C. R. Bunning; Workers' delegate, Hon. A. J. Shard; together with their advisers.

The main topics were:—Discrimination in the field of employment and occupation, conditions of work in plantations, occupational health services, working conditions of fishermen and a general discussion on hours of work.

3. Governing Body.—The Governing Body has 40 members, of whom 20 represent governments, 10 employers throughout the world and 10 workers throughout the world. The Australian Government is a Deputy Member of the government group; Mr. L. C. Burne, President of the Australian Council of Employers' Federations, is a titular member of the employers' group; Mr. A. Monk, President of the A.C.T.U., is a titular member of the workers' group. Mr. P. Shaw, Australian Ambassador in Bonn, represented the Australian Government at the three meetings in March, May and November, 1958; Mr. Burne attended two and Mr. Monk one of these meetings.

4. Industrial Committees.—During 1958, Australia was represented by tripartite delegations, representing the government, the employers and the workers, at two meetings of specialists, both held in Geneva, one (in April) on the textile industry and the other (in December) on the timber industry.

5. I.L.O. Conventions and Recommendations.—(i) *General.*—An I.L.O. Convention is an international treaty which has to be approved by two-thirds of the delegates at the Conference before it is adopted. As part of their Constitutional obligations as Member States of the Organization, Governments are required to bring Conventions adopted by Sessions of the Conference to the attention of their competent national authorities (Parliament) to be considered for ratification. After a Government ratifies an I.L.O. Convention, not only does it enter into a formal treaty obligation to ensure compliance with its provisions, but also it must report annually to the International Labour Office (the I.L.O. Secretariat) on the measures it is taking to give effect to its provisions, and must furnish copies of these Reports to the national representative workers' and employers' organizations. Countries which do not ratify Conventions are still obliged to examine them, to report back to the I.L.O. about the state of their law and practice and give reasons why they have not ratified them.

Recommendations do not require ratification, but Governments are obliged to bring them to the attention of the competent national authorities for consideration. These authorities must in turn weigh the possibility of adopting legislation or taking any other action that may be necessary to give effect to the provisions of Recommendations. A Report describing the way in which these obligations have been discharged must be sent to the I.L.O.

The International Labour Conference, during its 42 Sessions between 1919 and 1958, has adopted 111 Conventions and 111 Recommendations setting forth international minimum standards. These constitute what has become known as the International Labour Code. The Code covers a wide range of subjects, including wages, hours of work, annual holidays with pay, age of admission to employment, medical examination for fitness for employment, maternity protection, industrial health, safety and welfare, social insurance and assistance, unemployment insurance, compensation for employment injuries, freedom of association, right to organize and bargain collectively, employment conditions of seamen, etc. The Code has played an important part in the improvement of working and living conditions all over the world since 1919.

As far as Australia is concerned, the provisions of the Constitution are such that only the Commonwealth Government, under the "external affairs" power, may ratify international treaties, including I.L.O. Conventions, on behalf of Australia. The Commonwealth Government thus becomes internationally responsible for ensuring their observance. However, the Constitutional division of powers as between the Commonwealth and the States is such that although the subject matter of some I.L.O. Conventions is solely within the legislative competence of the Commonwealth, the subject matter of the great majority is the joint responsibility of the Commonwealth and the States. In the case of this latter category of Conventions it is necessary, before such Conventions can be ratified by Australia, that the law and practice in each State should already be precisely (and not just generally) in accord with their provisions. In addition, the Commonwealth Government has to ensure that its own law and practice in the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory and, in some instances, in the general Commonwealth legislative field as well, are satisfactory. In other words, in respect of most I.L.O. Conventions, the law and practice in nine separate jurisdictions have to be precisely in accord with their provisions before they can be ratified by Australia. Moreover, it has been the policy of the Commonwealth Government since 1919, irrespective of party, not to proceed with ratification of I.L.O. Conventions that concern the States until each of the States has not only introduced satisfactory law and practice, but also formally agreed to ratification by the Commonwealth.

Further, the I.L.O. Constitution provides that I.L.O. Conventions, once ratified by a member country, have to be considered from the point of view of extending the ratification to that country's non-metropolitan territories (where such exist), and a Declaration indicating that country's attitude to such extensions has to be submitted to the I.L.O. In other words, as far as Australia is concerned, once an I.L.O. Convention has been ratified in respect of the mainland, consideration has to be given to its extension to the Territories of Papua and New Guinea, Nauru and Norfolk Island. In passing, it could be added that there are a few I.L.O. Conventions which apply only to non-metropolitan territories.

(ii) *Conventions ratified by Australia.*—As at 1st January, 1959, Australia had ratified 20 I.L.O. Conventions—16 solely of concern to the Commonwealth Government. A summary of the purpose and main provisions of each Convention is given in the following paragraphs.

No. 7—Minimum Age (Sea), 1920.—The main purpose of this Convention is to provide that young persons under the age of 14 years may not be employed or work on vessels, other than vessels upon which only members of the same family are employed. The master of every vessel is required to keep a register of all persons under the age of 16 years employed on board, or to enter their names in the articles of agreement. Work done by children on school or training ships is permitted when approved and supervised by the public authority.

Ratified by Australia 28th June, 1935. (This ratification does not apply to intra-state shipping.)

No. 8—Unemployment Indemnity (Shipwreck), 1920.—The main purpose of this Convention is to ensure to seamen who remain unemployed as the result of the loss or foundering of a vessel an indemnity for the period of unemployment. The total indemnity payable may be limited to two months' wages. The Convention also stipulates that seamen shall have the same remedies for recovering unemployment indemnities as they have for recovering arrears of wages earned during their service.

Ratified by Australia 28th June, 1935. (This ratification does not apply to intra-state shipping, but has been extended to the Territory of Papua and New Guinea.)

No. 9—Placing of Seamen, 1920.—The purpose of this Convention is to abolish fee-charging agencies for finding employment for seamen and to set forth standards for the establishment and operation of an adequate system of public employment offices for finding such employment without charge. The latter are to be organized and maintained either by representative associations of shipowners and seamen jointly under the control of a central authority, or by the Government itself. Committees are to be set up, composed of an equal number of employers' and workers' members, to advise upon the operation of these offices. Certain guarantees are included to protect all parties concerned and to extend the use of available employment facilities to the seafarers of other ratifying States on an equal basis. Each country which ratifies the Convention undertakes to supply to the International Labour Office all available information, statistical or otherwise, concerning unemployed seamen and the operation of seamen's employment exchanges.

Ratified by Australia 3rd August, 1925.

No. 10—Minimum Age (Agriculture), 1921.—The main purpose of the provisions of this Convention is to prohibit the employment of children under 14 years of age in agriculture during school hours and outside school hours on any but light work which is not detrimental either to their health or to their attendance at school. The Convention further stipulates that the total annual period of school attendance shall not be less than eight months.

Ratified by Australia 24th December, 1957.

No. 11—Right of Association (Agriculture), 1921.—This Convention provides that "each Member of the International Labour Organization which ratifies this Convention undertakes to secure to all those engaged in agriculture the same rights of association and combination as to industrial workers, and to repeal any statutory or other provisions restricting such rights in the case of those engaged in agriculture".

Ratified by Australia 24th December, 1957.

No. 15—Minimum Age (Trimmers and Stokers), 1921.—The purpose of this Convention is to fix at 18 years the minimum age for the admission of young persons to employment on vessels as trimmers or stokers. The term "vessel" includes all ships and boats engaged in maritime navigation except ships of war. The age provision of the Convention does not apply to the work of young persons on school or training ships when this is approved and supervised by the public authority; to their employment on other than steam ships; and to persons of not less than 16 years of age who, if physically fit, may be employed as trimmers and stokers in vessels in the coastal trades of India and Japan, subject to regulations made after consultation with the employers' and workers' organizations concerned. If only trimmers or stokers of between 16 and 18 years of age are available for employment in a given port, then two persons must be employed to fill each vacancy. The master of every vessel is required to keep a register of all persons under the age of 18 years employed on board, or to enter their names in the articles of agreement. The latter must also contain a brief summary of the provisions of the Convention.

Ratified by Australia 28th June, 1935. (This ratification does not apply to intra-state shipping.)

No. 16—Medical Examination of Young Persons (Sea), 1921.—The purpose of this Convention is to ensure that the employment of young persons of less than 18 years of age on any vessel, other than vessels in which only members of the same family are employed, is conditional on the production of a medical certificate attesting fitness for the work, which is valid for a maximum period of 12 months. In urgent cases, young persons are permitted to embark without a certificate but they must undergo a medical examination at the vessel's first port of call.

Ratified by Australia 28th June, 1935. (This ratification does not apply to intra-state shipping.)

No. 21—Inspection of Emigrants, 1926.—This Convention aims at securing that the official inspection carried out for the protection of emigrants on board ship shall be undertaken by not more than one Government at a time, and preferably by the Government of the country whose flag the vessel flies. The Convention specifies, furthermore, what shall be the duties of this single inspection service, and stipulates that the inspectors shall not in any case be directly or indirectly connected with the shipowner or shipping company.

Ratified by Australia 18th April, 1931.

No. 22—Seamen's Articles of Agreement, 1926.—The purpose of this Convention is to ensure that articles of agreement be signed, under adequate supervision by the competent national authority, by the shipowner or his representative and the seafarer. The agreement, which may be for a definite period or for a single voyage or, if national law permits, for an indefinite period, must contain certain specified particulars and state clearly the respective rights and obligations of both parties; if a crew list is required to be carried on board, the agreement must be either recorded therein or appended thereto, and appropriate measures must be taken to enable clear information to be obtained on board as to the conditions of employment. The Convention also lays down the conditions under which an agreement may be terminated by either party, and stipulates that every seafarer must be given a document drawn up in conformity with national law containing a record of his employment on board but making no reference to the quality of his work or to his wages.

Ratified by Australia 1st April, 1935.

No. 26—Minimum Wage-Fixing Machinery, 1928.—This Convention provides that any country which ratifies it shall undertake to create or maintain machinery whereby minimum rates of wages can be fixed for workers employed in certain of the trades or parts of trades in which no arrangements exist for the effective regulation of wages by collective agreement or otherwise and wages are exceptionally low.

Ratified by Australia 9th March, 1931.

No. 27—Marking of Weight (Packages Transported by Vessels), 1929.—The purpose of this Convention is to ensure that any package or object of one thousand kilograms (one metric ton) or more gross weight consigned within the territory of any Member which ratifies the Convention for transport by sea or inland waterway shall have had its gross weight plainly and durably marked upon it on the outside before it is loaded on a ship or vessel.

Ratified by Australia 9th March, 1931. (This ratification has been extended to the Territories of Papua and New Guinea, Nauru and Norfolk Island.)

No. 29—Forced Labour, 1930.—This Convention provides that the countries which ratify it shall undertake to suppress the use of forced or compulsory labour in all its forms within the shortest possible period. With a view to this complete suppression, recourse to forced or compulsory labour may be had, during the transitional period, for public purposes only and as an exceptional measure, subject to the conditions and guarantees laid down in the Convention. The Convention defines "forced or compulsory labour" as "all work or service which is exacted from any person under the menace of any penalty and for which the said person has not offered himself voluntarily". The Convention provides, furthermore, that forced or compulsory labour shall not include certain specified activities relating to civic, community and military obligations.

The Convention also lays down that the competent authority shall not impose or permit the imposition of forced or compulsory labour for the benefit of private individuals, companies or associations.

Ratified by Australia 2nd January, 1932. (This ratification has been extended to the Territories of Papua and New Guinea, Nauru and Norfolk Island.)

No. 45—Underground Work (Women), 1935.—The purpose of this Convention is to prohibit the employment of a female, whatever her age, on underground work in any undertaking, whether public or private, for the

extraction of any substance from under the surface of the earth. National laws or regulations may, however, exempt from the above prohibition (a) females holding positions of management who do not perform manual work; (b) females employed in health and welfare services; (c) females who, in the course of their studies, spend a period of training in the underground parts of a mine; and (d) any other females who may occasionally have to enter the underground parts of a mine for the purpose of a non-manual occupation.

Ratified by Australia 7th October, 1953. (This ratification has been extended to the Territory of Papua and New Guinea.)

No. 57—Hours of Work and Manning (Sea), 1936.—This Convention has not yet received the required number of ratifications for entry into force. It regulates, apart from certain specified exceptions, the hours of work on board vessels which are employed in the transport of cargo or passengers for the purpose of trade and engaged on international voyages. The prescribed limits on hours to be worked vary according to the classification of the persons concerned, the size of the vessel, etc., but, in general, the limits do not exceed eight hours in the day. All time worked in excess of the limits of hours prescribed or permitted in the Convention is to be regarded as overtime for which compensation is to be paid. Consistent working of overtime is precluded. No person under the age of 16 is to work at night. The Convention also provides that every vessel of over 700 tons shall be sufficiently and efficiently manned for the purposes of safety of life at sea and making possible the application of the rules relating to hours set forth in the Convention, and to this end sets forth minimum requirements as to manning. This Convention has been revised by Conventions Nos. 76 (1946), 93 (1949), and 109 (1958), of which Australia has ratified Nos. 76 and 93—see below.

Ratified by Australia 24th September, 1938.

No. 63—Statistics of Wages and Hours of Work, 1938.—This Convention requires ratifying countries to undertake to compile statistics and publish and communicate to the I.L.O. certain data relating to wages and hours of work. Part II. of the Convention deals with statistics of average earnings and of hours actually worked in mining and manufacturing industries; Part III. relates to statistics of time rates of wages and of normal hours of work in mining and manufacturing industries; Part IV. relates to statistics of wages and hours of work in agriculture. Any country which ratifies the Convention may exclude from its acceptance of the Convention any one of these Parts, or Parts II. and IV., or Parts III. and IV.

Ratified by Australia 5th September, 1939. (Australia has excluded Part II. from its acceptance of the Convention.)

No. 76—Wages, Hours of Work and Manning (Sea), 1946.—This Convention, which has been ratified by Australia alone, and has not yet received the required number of ratifications for entry into force, is a complete revision of Convention No. 57—Hours of Work and Manning (Sea)—see above. It provides, subject to certain adjustments, that the basic pay or wages for a calendar month of service of an able seaman employed in a vessel to which the Convention applies shall not be less than £16 sterling or \$64 U.S. or the equivalent thereof in other currency. The Convention also revises the provisions of Convention No. 57 with regard to hours of work and manning in order to make them more flexible. This Convention has been revised by Conventions Nos. 93 (1949) and 109 (1958). Australia has ratified No. 93—see below.

Ratified by Australia 25th January, 1949. (This ratification has been extended to the Territories of Papua and New Guinea, Nauru and Norfolk Island.)

No. 80—*Final Articles Revision*, 1946.—This Convention provides for the partial revision of the Conventions adopted by the General Conference of the I.L.O. at its first 28 Sessions for the purpose of making provision for the future discharge of certain chancery functions entrusted by the said Conventions to the Secretary-General of the League of Nations and introducing therein certain further amendments consequential upon the dissolution of the League of Nations and the amendment of the Constitution of the I.L.O.

Ratified by Australia 25th January, 1949. (This ratification has been extended to the Territories of Papua and New Guinea, Nauru and Norfolk Island.)

No. 85—*Labour Inspectorates (Non-Metropolitan Territories)*, 1947.—This Convention provides that labour inspection services consisting of suitably trained inspectors shall be maintained in non-metropolitan territories. It also provides that workers and their representatives shall be afforded every facility for communicating freely with the inspectors, that inspectors shall be required to inspect conditions of employment at frequent intervals and that inspectors shall be authorized by law to exercise certain specified powers. Provision is made for inspectors to be prohibited from having an interest in the undertakings under their supervision, for the protection of manufacturing or commercial secrets or working processes, and for the inspectors to treat as absolutely confidential the source of any complaint of defect or breach of legal provisions.

Ratified by Australia 30th September, 1954. (In ratifying this Convention, the Government of the Commonwealth of Australia declared that it would apply the Convention to the Territory of Papua and New Guinea subject to certain modifications. The Government also declared that the Convention was inapplicable in respect of Norfolk Island and that it reserved its decision in respect of the application of the Convention to the Territory of Nauru.)

No. 88—*Employment Service*, 1948.—This Convention deals with the maintenance of a free public employment service consisting of a national system of local and, where appropriate, regional employment offices under the direction of a national authority. The Convention provides for appropriate review and revision of the system and for the co-operation of representatives of employers and workers in the organization and operation of the employment service and in the development of employment service policy. It also sets out measures which may be undertaken by the service to ensure effective recruitment and placement of workers.

Ratified by Australia 24th December, 1949.

No. 93—*Wages, Hours of Work and Manning (Sea)*—Revised, 1949.—This Convention has not yet received the required number of ratifications for entry into force. It is a partial revision of Convention No. 76—*Wages, Hours of Work and Manning (Sea)* (see above), provisions of which it revises largely in order to make them more flexible.

Ratified by Australia 3rd March, 1954. (This Convention has been revised by Convention No. 109—*Wages, Hours of Work and Manning (Sea)*—Revised, 1958, which has not been ratified by Australia.)

APPENDIX.

SECTION I.

SYDNEY: AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES^(a) OF FOOD AND GROCERY ITEMS DURING EACH MONTH OF THE YEAR, 1958.

Item.	Unit.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Average, 1958.
Groceries, etc.—														
Bread(b) ..	2 lb.	d. 17.30	d. 17.30	d. 17.30	d. 17.30	d. 17.30	d. 17.30	d. 16.30	d. 16.30	d. 16.30	d. 16.30	d. 16.30	d. 15.80	d. 16.76
Flour, plain ..	"	19.15	19.35	19.35	19.35	19.40	19.40	18.60	18.65	18.65	18.75	18.75	18.15	18.96
" self-raising ..	"	25.70	25.50	25.50	25.25	24.60	24.50	23.65	23.65	23.45	23.35	23.35	22.55	24.25
Tea ..	lb.	77.25	77.25	77.70	77.75	79.45	80.65	80.65	80.65	80.65	80.65	78.70	78.70	79.17
Sugar ..	"	10.10	10.10	10.10	10.10	10.10	10.10	10.10	10.10	10.10	10.10	10.10	10.10	10.10
Rice ..	"	11.94	11.94	11.94	11.94	11.94	11.94	11.94	11.94	11.94	11.94	11.88	11.88	11.93
Tapioca, seed ..	"	18.25	19.06	17.17	17.17	16.89	16.89	16.89	16.89	16.89	16.89	16.89	16.89	17.23
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	38.40	38.10	38.10	38.00	38.00	38.00	38.00	38.00	38.00	38.00	38.00	38.00	38.05
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	20.90	20.95	20.95	20.95	21.05	21.05	21.05	21.05	21.05	21.05	21.05	21.05	21.01
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	11.71	12.07	12.15	12.15	12.06	12.04	12.04	12.00	12.00	11.83	11.83	11.83	11.98
Raisins, seeded ..	"	32.00	32.38	32.38	32.38	32.56	32.56	32.69	32.69	32.69	32.69	32.69	32.29	32.50
Currants ..	"	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.30	27.20	27.20	27.20	27.60	28.00	27.83	27.83	27.83	27.42
Apricots, dried ..	"	66.00	66.00	66.00	73.50	74.10	74.10	74.10	74.10	74.10	74.10	80.63	80.63	73.11
Peaches, canned ..	29 oz.	49.70	49.90	49.50	48.65	47.65	47.45	47.45	46.85	47.05	47.05	47.05	47.05	47.95
Pears, canned ..	"	48.30	48.40	48.40	47.05	45.60	45.40	44.55	44.25	44.45	44.45	44.45	44.45	45.81
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	37.20	38.30	36.13	36.13	33.73	34.05	33.60	34.70	33.03	46.09	35.75	37.58	36.36
Onions, brown ..	lb.	6.60	7.00	6.90	6.85	7.20	7.45	6.50	6.20	6.30	6.40	6.20	7.70	6.78
Soap ..	"	18.67	18.73	18.73	18.73	18.67	18.67	18.67	18.67	18.67	18.67	19.24	19.34	18.79
Kerosene ..	quart	9.23	9.15	9.15	9.15	9.04	9.04	9.04	9.04	9.11	9.21	9.21	9.21	9.13
Dairy Produce—														
Butter, factory ..	lb.	53.85	53.85	53.85	53.50	53.65	53.65	55.45	55.65	55.65	55.65	55.65	55.65	54.67
Cheese, mild ..	"	41.40	41.40	41.40	41.40	41.40	41.40	42.17	42.17	42.17	42.17	42.17	42.17	41.79
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	72.00	78.00	78.00	78.00	78.00	78.00	78.00	66.00	59.50	66.00	72.00	72.00	72.96
Bacon, rashers ..	"	83.43	83.00	83.00	83.00	82.64	81.57	81.57	81.57	80.43	80.43	79.71	79.71	81.67
Milk, condensed ..	14 oz. tin	23.60	23.60	23.60	23.60	23.40	24.25	24.45	24.65	24.65	24.65	24.65	24.65	24.15
" fresh, bottled(b)	quart	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00
Meat—														
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	March Quarter, 1958.			June Quarter, 1958.			September Quarter, 1958.			December Quarter, 1958.			48.53
" rib (without bone) ..	"	48.85			48.00			48.33			48.92			
" steak, rump ..	"	39.53			38.10			36.50			37.73			37.97
" " chuck ..	"	63.53			62.77			62.37			64.00			63.17
" sausages ..	"	32.47			31.83			32.30			32.77			32.34
" (corned) silver-side ..	"	23.00			23.20			23.30			23.43			23.23
" " brisket ..	"	38.47			37.33			36.47			38.20			37.62
Mutton, leg ..	"	26.70			24.10			24.17			26.07			25.26
" " forequarter ..	"	24.50			23.60			22.47			22.33			23.23
" " loin ..	"	16.04			15.85			15.30			15.37			15.64
" " chops, loin ..	"	25.07			24.57			24.03			24.10			24.44
" " leg ..	"	25.03			25.97			25.33			25.10			25.71
Pork, leg ..	"	26.43			56.13			56.10			58.43			57.33
" " loin ..	"	58.67			55.73			56.43			58.00			56.89
" " chops ..	"	57.38			55.27			56.03			57.07			56.47

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

(b) Delivered.

SECTION I.—continued.

MELBOURNE: AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES(a) OF FOOD AND GROCERY ITEMS DURING EACH MONTH OF THE YEAR, 1958.

Item.	Unit.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Average, 1958.
Groceries, etc.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread(b) ..	2 lb.	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.50	16.04
Flour, plain ..	"	11.72	11.69	11.69	11.69	11.69	11.69	11.79	11.79	11.79	12.25	12.25	12.25	11.86
self-raising ..	"	20.45	20.45	20.45	20.45	20.45	20.45	20.45	20.45	20.45	20.45	20.45	20.65	20.47
Tea ..	lb.	79.40	79.20	79.00	78.75	78.75	78.75	78.70	81.40	81.40	80.65	79.45	79.25	79.56
Sugar ..	"	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
Rice ..	"	11.90	11.90	11.90	11.80	11.80	11.80	11.80	11.80	11.80	11.80	11.80	11.80	11.83
Tapioca, seed ..	"	16.64	16.43	16.25	15.83	15.67	15.67	14.56	14.56	13.50	13.56	13.56	13.56	14.98
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	31.55	31.67	31.67	31.33	31.33	31.22	31.22	31.22	31.22	31.22	30.69	30.69	31.25
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	20.75	20.75	20.75	20.75	20.75	20.75	20.75	20.75	20.75	20.55	20.50	20.55	20.70
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	8.81	9.46	10.06	9.88	9.94	10.04	10.43	10.43	10.43	10.30	10.30	10.30	10.03
Raisins, seeded ..	"	30.83	31.00	31.00	30.83	31.28	31.50	31.72	31.72	31.72	30.89	30.89	30.89	31.19
Currants ..	"	25.88	26.25	26.25	26.33	26.75	26.75	26.75	26.75	26.75	26.75	27.25	26.50	26.58
Apricots, dried ..	"	63.00	63.00	70.00	69.25	69.25	69.25	69.00	69.00	69.00	69.00	69.00	69.00	68.13
Peaches, canned ..	29 oz.	45.10	45.05	45.15	44.65	43.80	43.35	43.05	43.05	43.05	41.45	41.30	41.00	43.33
Pears, canned ..	"	40.90	40.80	40.80	40.50	39.55	38.95	38.65	38.65	38.65	37.10	36.90	36.50	39.00
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	33.88	32.88	31.30	28.79	28.57	28.57	27.57	28.07	27.57	34.38	36.75	41.11	31.62
Onions, brown ..	lb.	8.33	7.33	7.54	7.67	7.87	7.71	7.91	7.13	7.00	6.67	6.67	6.54	7.36
Soap ..	"	19.00	19.00	19.00	18.90	18.90	18.83	18.83	18.83	18.83	18.74	19.24	19.24	18.95
Kerosene ..	quart	8.85	8.85	8.85	8.85	8.85	8.85	8.80	8.80	8.80	8.81	8.81	8.81	8.83
Dairy Produce—														
Butter, factory ..	lb.	54.55	54.55	54.55	54.20	54.05	54.05	56.10	56.10	56.10	55.75	55.60	55.60	55.10
Cheese, mild ..	"	40.00	40.25	40.25	40.25	40.25	40.25	41.25	41.25	42.00	40.75	40.75	40.75	40.67
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	70.00	70.10	74.30	74.30	74.30	73.70	73.70	55.90	49.60	49.60	62.60	69.40	66.46
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	80.50	80.50	80.50	80.86	80.86	80.86	80.43	80.43	80.43	80.43	80.43	80.43	80.56
Milk, condensed ..	14 oz. tin	23.20	23.20	22.95	22.60	22.60	22.80	23.10	23.10	23.25	22.50	22.50	22.50	22.86
fresh, bottled(b)	quart	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50
Meat—														
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	March Quarter, 1958.			June Quarter, 1958.			September Quarter, 1958.			December Quarter, 1958.			44.94
" rib (without bone) ..	"	44.00			44.83			45.23			45.70			
" steak, rump ..	"	42.97			43.13			42.77			43.93			43.20
" chuck ..	"	63.37			63.47			65.17			67.23			64.81
" sausages ..	"	33.90			34.23			35.00			35.13			34.57
" (corned) silver-side ..	"	23.09			23.13			23.17			23.13			23.13
" brisket ..	"	42.90			42.33			42.97			44.47			43.17
Mutton, leg ..	"	30.07			28.40			28.10			30.33			29.23
" forequarter ..	"	25.63			26.75			26.46			25.46			26.08
" loin ..	"	16.29			16.62			17.10			17.19			16.80
" chops, loin ..	"	25.00			25.67			25.17			25.17			25.25
" leg ..	"	24.46			25.04			25.21			25.71			25.11
Pork, leg ..	"	28.59			29.54			28.88			29.13			29.04
" loin ..	"	56.53			54.20			56.87			57.33			56.23
" chops ..	"	57.43			57.30			59.40			59.57			58.58
								59.63			59.27			58.41

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

(b) Delivered.

SECTION I.—continued.

BRISBANE: AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES^(a) OF FOOD AND GROCERY ITEMS DURING EACH MONTH OF THE YEAR, 1958.

Item.	Unit.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Average, 1958.
Groceries, etc.—														
Bread(b) ..	2 lb.	d. 15.50	d. 15.50	d. 15.50	d. 15.50	d. 15.50	d. 15.50	d. 15.50	d. 15.50	d. 15.00	d. 15.00	d. 15.00	d. 15.00	d. 15.33
Flour, plain ..	"	11.20	11.55	11.55	11.55	11.55	11.55	11.55	11.55	11.50	11.45	11.45	11.45	11.49
" self-raising ..	"	20.05	20.15	20.20	20.20	20.20	20.20	20.20	20.20	19.90	19.95	19.95	19.90	20.08
Tea ..	lb.	74.20	74.30	74.70	74.70	74.70	74.70	77.00	77.75	77.70	77.70	77.70	77.70	76.07
Sugar ..	"	9.95	9.93	9.93	9.93	9.93	9.93	9.93	9.93	9.93	9.93	9.93	9.93	9.93
Rice ..	"	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00
Tapioca, seed ..	"	14.50	13.86	14.38	14.38	14.38	14.25	14.38	14.38	14.38	14.63	14.63	14.63	14.40
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	33.60	33.80	33.80	33.80	33.80	34.10	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	33.95	33.90
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	18.95	18.95	18.95	18.95	18.95	18.95	18.95	18.95	18.95	18.95	18.95	18.95	18.95
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	11.79	12.10	12.43	12.43	12.43	12.38	12.47	12.47	12.49	12.49	12.49	12.49	12.37
Raisins, seeded ..	"	28.65	28.65	28.70	29.00	29.20	29.25	29.78	29.75	29.90	30.44	30.44	30.44	29.52
Currants ..	"	24.26	24.26	24.34	24.46	24.46	25.12	25.36	25.38	25.55	25.77	25.77	25.77	25.04
Apricots, dried ..	"	60.00	59.00	63.83	63.83	63.83	63.83	62.50	62.50	62.50	62.50	62.50	62.50	62.44
Peaches, canned ..	29 oz.	46.05	45.90	45.90	45.90	45.90	45.30	44.95	44.65	44.80	44.70	44.70	44.15	45.24
Pears, canned ..	"	43.35	43.25	43.25	42.95	42.95	42.30	42.10	42.10	41.55	41.65	41.65	41.70	42.40
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	37.80	42.00	38.85	36.60	27.20	31.85	36.75	35.70	43.05	54.95	29.85	37.45	37.67
Onions, brown ..	lb.	4.85	5.10	6.15	6.30	6.80	7.30	6.40	5.40	5.30	5.20	5.05	6.50	5.86
Soap ..	"	18.37	18.43	18.43	18.50	18.50	18.60	18.60	18.60	18.60	18.60	18.60	18.60	18.54
Kerosene ..	quart	8.57	8.71	8.77	8.77	8.77	8.77	8.81	8.81	8.81	8.81	8.81	8.81	8.77
Dairy Produce—														
Butter, factory ..	lb.	54.00	54.00	54.00	53.90	53.90	53.90	55.85	55.85	55.85	55.85	55.85	55.85	54.90
Cheese, mild ..	"	34.89	34.89	34.89	34.89	34.89	34.89	35.89	35.89	35.89	35.89	35.89	36.11	35.41
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	67.60	71.83	71.83	74.61	74.65	74.65	74.65	55.70	56.00	63.80	63.80	71.90	68.42
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	76.44	74.21	74.21	74.21	74.21	74.36	72.79	72.79	72.79	73.33	74.17	74.17	73.97
Milk, condensed ..	14 oz. tin	23.90	23.90	23.90	23.90	23.90	23.90	24.25	24.45	24.50	24.45	24.40	24.40	24.15
" fresh, bottled(b) ..	quart	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00
Meat—														
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	March Quarter, 1958.			June Quarter, 1958.			September Quarter, 1958.			December Quarter, 1958.			39.38
" rib (without bone) ..	"	37.20			38.33			39.90			42.07			
" steak, rump ..	"	31.33			31.60			32.83			35.10			32.72
" chuck ..	"	46.00			47.23			48.80			51.23			48.32
" sausages ..	"	24.00			24.57			26.00			28.80			25.84
" (corned) silver-side ..	"	21.00			21.50			22.00			24.00			22.13
" brisket ..	"	34.00			34.97			36.53			39.03			36.13
Mutton, leg ..	"	22.80			23.47			25.10			27.57			24.74
" forequarter ..	"	27.10			26.77			26.23			26.57			26.67
" loin ..	"	13.60			13.07			12.63			12.83			13.03
" chops, loin ..	"	26.70			26.43			26.10			25.90			26.28
" chops, leg ..	"	26.70			26.77			26.70			26.40			26.64
Port, leg ..	"	26.70			26.70			26.43			26.50			26.58
" loin ..	"	51.80			50.97			51.90			53.00			51.92
" chops ..	"	50.50			49.93			50.70			51.90			50.76
" ..	"	50.60			49.57			50.40			51.57			50.54

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

(b) Delivered.

SECTION 1.—continued.

ADELAIDE: AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES^(a) OF FOOD AND GROCERY ITEMS DURING EACH MONTH OF THE YEAR, 1958.

APPENDIX.

Item.	Unit.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Average, 1958.
Groceries, etc.—														
Bread(b) ..	2 lb.	d. 15.00	d. 15.00	d. 15.00	d. 15.50	d. 15.50	d. 15.50	d. 15.50	d. 15.50	d. 15.50	d. 15.50	d. 15.50	d. 15.50	d. 15.38
Flour, plain ..	"	11.45	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.50
" self-raising ..	"	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.20	17.80	17.95	17.16
Tea ..	lb.	78.25	78.25	78.25	78.25	78.25	78.25	78.25	78.40	78.40	78.40	78.40	78.40	78.31
Sugar ..	"	9.98	9.98	9.98	9.98	9.98	9.98	9.98	9.98	9.98	9.98	9.98	9.98	9.98
Rice ..	"	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00
Tapioca, seed ..	"	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50
Jam, plum ..	14 lb.	32.50	32.50	32.50	32.50	32.50	32.50	32.61	32.61	32.61	32.61	32.61	32.61	32.56
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	20.05	20.05	20.05	20.05	20.05	20.05	20.05	20.05	20.05	20.05	20.05	20.05	20.05
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	9.17	10.22	10.33	10.33	10.33	10.37	10.33	10.33	10.33	10.33	10.33	10.33	10.23
Raisins, seeded ..	"	31.45	31.45	31.45	31.45	31.45	31.72	32.10	32.61	33.50	33.50	33.50	33.50	32.31
Currants ..	"	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00	28.44	28.57	28.50	28.50	28.50	28.50	27.75
Apricots, dried ..	"	61.50	61.50	63.25	68.50	68.50	68.57	68.57	69.13	69.13	69.13	69.13	69.13	67.17
Peaches, canned ..	29 oz.	47.56	47.22	47.22	47.00	46.89	46.89	46.89	46.89	46.11	46.11	45.56	45.56	46.66
Pears, canned ..	"	44.80	44.80	44.80	44.35	43.55	43.55	43.05	43.05	41.70	41.20	40.60	40.60	43.05
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	29.80	29.80	23.60	21.40	22.10	22.40	23.00	23.00	23.00	35.20	28.40	37.70	26.62
Onions, brown ..	lb.	7.88	7.50	7.50	7.38	7.38	7.38	7.38	6.88	6.25	6.00	7.25	7.25	7.17
Soap ..	"	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00
Kerosene ..	quart	8.50	8.50	8.50	8.50	8.50	8.50	8.42	8.41	8.41	8.41	8.41	8.42	8.46
Dairy Produce—														
Butter, factory ..	lb.	54.45	54.45	54.45	54.00	53.70	53.70	55.85	55.85	55.85	55.65	55.65	55.65	54.94
Cheese, mild ..	"	35.06	35.06	35.06	35.06	35.06	35.06	35.50	36.00	36.00	36.00	36.00	36.00	35.49
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	51.80	61.15	64.50	66.61	66.50	66.40	60.30	57.33	52.33	51.33	54.44	59.44	59.34
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	67.00	65.00	65.00	65.00	65.00	65.00	65.00	65.00	65.06	67.13	67.69	67.94	65.82
Milk, condensed ..	14 oz. tin	24.40	24.40	24.40	24.40	24.40	25.00	25.50	25.50	25.50	25.50	25.50	25.50	25.00
" fresh, loose(b) ..	quart	17.50	17.50	17.50	17.50	17.50	17.50	17.50	17.50	17.50	17.50	17.50	17.50	17.50
" bottled(b) ..	"	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00
Meat—														
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	March Quarter, 1958.			June Quarter, 1958.			September Quarter, 1958.			December Quarter, 1958.			34.95
" rib (without bone) ..	"	30.93			33.57			37.20			38.10			
" steak, rump ..	"	34.07			36.83			40.47			41.10			38.12
" " chuck ..	"	52.77			55.60			59.23			60.30			56.98
" sausages ..	"	29.77			31.90			35.07			35.10			32.96
" (corned) silver-side ..	"	18.59			20.30			21.44			21.22			20.39
" brisket ..	"	38.73			40.53			42.73			43.67			41.42
Mutton, leg ..	"	28.53			30.00			31.60			31.57			30.43
" forequarter ..	"	16.93			21.37			23.73			25.73			21.94
" loin ..	"	9.07			11.17			12.17			12.80			11.30
" chops, loin ..	"	16.97			21.17			23.50			24.63			21.52
" " leg ..	"	17.37			21.67			23.67			24.93			21.91
Pork, leg ..	"	18.10			21.97			23.90			25.43			22.35
" loin ..	"	40.27			42.13			44.55			45.47			44.83
" chops ..	"	40.70			42.87			45.43			45.87			45.47
" " ..	"	40.77			42.87			45.47			45.87			45.57

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

(b) Delivered.

SECTION I.—continued.

PERTH: AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES^(a) OF FOOD AND GROCERY ITEMS DURING EACH MONTH OF THE YEAR, 1958.

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APPENDIX.

Item.	Unit.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Average, 1958.
Groceries, etc.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread(b) ..	2 lb.	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00
Flour, plain ..	"	13.75	13.75	13.75	13.75	13.75	13.75	13.75	13.75	13.75	13.75	13.75	13.75	13.75
" self-raising ..	"	20.10	20.25	20.35	20.35	20.45	20.55	20.55	20.55	20.50	20.50	20.50	20.50	20.43
Tea ..	lb.	78.50	77.55	78.05	78.05	78.05	78.05	78.05	78.40	80.20	80.50	77.05	77.05	78.29
Sugar ..	"	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
Rice ..	"	11.85	11.85	11.85	11.85	11.85	11.85	11.85	11.85	11.85	11.85	11.85	11.85	11.85
Tapioca, seed ..	"	17.44	18.31	18.31	18.31	16.83	16.83	16.83	16.00	16.00	15.50	15.50	15.00	16.78
Jam, plum ..	14 lb.	36.70	36.40	36.40	36.40	36.40	36.30	36.30	36.60	36.75	36.75	36.75	36.35	36.51
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	21.25	21.25	21.25	21.25	21.25	20.50	21.10	21.10	21.10	21.10	21.10	21.10	21.11
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	10.05	10.10	10.27	12.09	12.47	12.47	12.47	12.47	12.47	12.32	12.22	12.22	11.80
Raisins, seeded ..	"	30.60	30.60	31.50	30.88	30.88	30.88	30.88	30.88	30.88	32.00	32.00	32.50	31.21
Currants ..	"	25.15	24.65	24.95	24.83	25.50	26.17	26.90	26.90	27.20	26.60	26.80	26.40	26.00
Apricots, dried ..	"	62.25	62.25	62.25	67.20	69.20	69.25	71.50	71.00	70.00	70.50	70.50	70.50	68.03
Peaches, canned ..	29 oz.	48.45	49.35	48.05	47.75	47.35	47.35	47.06	47.35	47.35	42.44	44.11	44.35	46.75
Pears, canned ..	"	45.00	44.85	44.05	44.25	43.85	43.35	43.85	43.85	43.35	41.39	40.55	40.40	43.23
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	35.00	35.00	35.00	35.00	35.00	35.00	35.00	35.00	35.00	35.00	39.14	39.14	35.69
Onions, brown ..	lb.	7.06	7.44	6.38	7.06	7.19	8.25	8.31	8.19	7.94	7.81	7.94	7.81	7.62
Soap ..	"	19.63	19.80	19.80	19.70	19.70	19.70	19.70	19.70	19.70	19.70	19.70	19.70	19.71
Kerosene ..	quart	13.41	13.41	13.41	13.41	13.41	13.41	13.36	13.36	13.36	13.34	13.34	13.34	13.38
Dairy Produce—														
Butter, factory ..	lb.	53.40	53.40	53.40	53.40	53.40	53.40	55.20	55.20	54.80	54.80	54.80	54.80	54.17
Cheese, mild ..	"	44.93	44.93	44.93	44.93	44.93	44.93	46.70	47.25	47.17	47.30	47.30	47.30	46.05
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	58.85	59.45	62.57	62.57	65.48	65.50	66.65	59.84	59.84	61.18	61.18	61.18	62.02
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	71.50	71.50	72.20	71.50	71.50	71.50	70.17	70.17	70.17	70.17	70.17	70.17	70.89
Milk, condensed ..	14 oz. tin	21.70	21.70	22.00	22.00	22.00	21.65	22.45	22.65	22.85	23.00	23.00	23.00	22.33
" fresh, bottled(b)	quart	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00
Meat—		March Quarter, 1958			June Quarter, 1958			September Quarter, 1958.			December Quarter, 1958.			
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	41.29			42.48			42.85			42.59			42.30
" rib (without bone) ..	"	41.40			42.27			43.00			42.23			42.23
" steak, rump ..	"	58.90			59.63			59.57			59.03			59.28
" chuck ..	"	36.03			36.63			36.87			36.17			36.43
" sausages ..	"	23.44			23.07			23.22			22.22			22.99
" (corned) silver-side ..	"	40.97			41.03			40.50			40.77			40.82
" brisket ..	"	29.37			29.23			29.33			29.27			29.30
Mutton, leg ..	"	26.83			28.83			27.90			24.87			27.11
" (forequarter) ..	"	15.60			17.43			16.73			15.13			16.22
" loin ..	"	23.47			25.27			25.93			23.47			24.54
" chops, loin ..	"	23.60			25.33			26.00			23.47			24.60
" leg ..	"	23.83			25.43			26.00			23.47			24.68
Pork, leg ..	"	48.87			48.80			49.13			51.53			49.58
" loin ..	"	49.07			48.50			49.13			51.17			49.47
" chops ..	"	49.10			48.50			49.13			51.17			49.48

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

(b) Delivered.

SECTION I.—continued.

HOBART: AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES^(a) OF FOOD AND GROCERY ITEMS DURING EACH MONTH OF THE YEAR, 1958.

Item.	Unit.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Average, 1958.
Groceries, etc.—														
Bread ^(b)	2 lb.	d. 16.00	d. 16.00	d. 16.00	d. 16.00	d. 16.00	d. 16.00	d. 16.00	d. 16.00	d. 16.00	d. 16.00	d. 16.00	d. 16.00	d. 16.00
Flour, plain	"	12.35	12.55	12.65	12.80	12.90	12.90	12.90	12.90	12.90	12.80	12.80	12.90	12.78
" self-raising	"	21.90	21.90	21.95	21.95	21.95	21.95	21.95	21.95	21.95	21.95	21.95	22.06	21.95
Tea	lb.	83.25	83.25	83.25	83.25	83.25	83.25	83.25	83.25	86.20	85.35	83.50	83.50	83.96
Sugar	"	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50
Rice	"	11.95	11.95	11.95	11.95	11.95	11.95	11.95	11.95	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.97
Tapioca, seed	"	18.80	19.40	19.40	19.40	17.00	17.00	15.83	15.83	15.83	15.14	15.14	15.14	16.99
Jam, plum	1½ lb.	36.25	36.25	36.25	36.25	36.25	36.25	36.20	36.20	36.20	35.95	35.95	35.95	36.16
Golden Syrup	2 lb.	22.85	22.85	22.85	22.85	22.85	22.85	22.85	22.85	22.85	22.85	22.85	22.85	22.85
Oats, flaked	lb.	11.22	11.50	11.92	12.16	12.15	12.53	12.42	12.42	12.96	12.93	12.93	12.93	12.34
Raisins, seeded	"	31.95	31.95	31.95	31.95	32.20	32.40	32.40	32.40	33.10	32.50	32.61	32.61	32.34
Currants	"	27.80	27.17	27.17	27.17	27.17	27.17	27.17	27.17	27.17	28.50	28.50	28.50	27.56
Apricots, dried	"	64.33	64.33	64.33	64.33	66.50	66.50	66.50	66.50	67.67	67.67	67.67	67.67	66.17
Peaches, canned	29 oz.	52.10	52.15	52.15	51.75	51.50	50.65	50.50	50.90	50.90	50.40	49.90	49.60	51.04
Pears, canned	"	50.75	51.25	51.30	51.30	50.75	50.55	50.55	50.55	50.40	50.55	50.80	50.80	50.80
Potatoes	7 lb.	42.00	44.33	42.78	33.68	31.19	30.96	28.78	28.00	26.83	33.43	35.70	36.17	34.49
Onions, brown	lb.	8.63	9.00	8.75	8.71	8.88	9.00	8.88	8.88	8.56	8.50	8.50	8.25	8.71
Soap	"	18.93	18.90	18.90	18.90	18.90	18.90	18.87	18.87	18.87	18.83	19.13	19.20	18.93
Kerosene	quart	13.64	13.67	13.67	13.67	13.42	13.42	13.42	13.42	13.42	13.42	13.42	13.42	13.50
Dairy Produce—														
Butter, factory	lb.	53.45	53.00	53.00	53.00	53.00	53.00	55.40	55.40	55.40	54.90	54.90	54.90	54.11
Cheese, mild	"	39.67	39.67	39.67	39.67	39.67	39.67	40.55	40.55	40.55	40.55	40.55	40.55	31.78
Eggs, new laid	doz.	66.11	71.50	66.88	66.94	75.19	76.83	79.06	69.44	56.80	55.90	56.80	69.10	67.53
Bacon, rashers	lb.	76.63	75.50	75.50	75.50	74.44	74.44	74.44	73.63	73.63	73.25	73.25	73.25	74.46
Milk, condensed	14 oz. tin	24.35	24.35	24.35	24.30	24.30	25.00	25.20	25.30	25.30	25.10	25.10	25.10	24.81
" fresh, loose ^(b)	quart	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00
" bottled ^(b)	"	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
Meat—														
Beef, sirloin	lb.	March Quarter, 1958.			June Quarter, 1958.			September Quarter, 1958.			December Quarter, 1958.			42.42
" rib (without bone)	"	40.37			40.10			43.43			45.77			
" steak, rump	"	39.10			38.70			41.40			43.63			40.71
" chuck	"	58.33			58.13			61.53			65.57			60.89
" sausages	"	31.90			31.60			33.93			36.27			33.43
" (corned) silver-side	"	24.43			24.10			23.93			23.70			24.04
" brisket	"	40.97			40.90			42.77			45.17			42.45
Mutton, leg	"	28.50			27.80			29.73			32.70			29.68
" forequarter	"	29.00			29.00			28.24			28.56			28.70
" loin	"	14.81			15.57			13.66			14.03			14.52
" chops, loin	"	21.10			21.14			19.81			20.10			20.54
" leg	"	21.72			21.67			20.67			21.05			21.28
Pork, leg	"	26.81			26.24			24.38			24.56			25.50
" loin	"	56.77			55.53			54.90			55.80			55.75
" chops	"	56.50			55.80			54.63			55.60			55.63
"	"	56.60			55.80			54.63			56.07			55.78

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

(b) Delivered.

SECTION II.

AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF FOOD IN PRINCIPAL CITIES: AUSTRALIA AND OTHER COUNTRIES, 1958.

(Particulars extracted from Official Publications and Reports. Prices are quoted in the currency of the country concerned.)

Item.	Unit.	AUSTRALIA.(a)								NEW ZEALAND.							
		Sydney.				Melbourne.				Wellington.				Christchurch.			
		Feb.	May.	Aug.	Nov.	Feb.	May.	Aug.	Nov.	Feb.	May.	Aug.	Nov.	Feb.	May.	Aug.	Nov.
Bread	2 lb.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Flour, plain	"	17.30	17.30	16.30	16.30	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	8.57	8.57	8.57	8.57	8.57	8.57	8.57	8.57
Tea	lb.	19.35	19.40	18.65	18.75	11.69	11.69	11.79	12.25	6.38	6.38	6.38	6.38	5.92	5.92	5.92	5.92
Jam, plum	14 lb.	77.25	79.45	80.65	78.70	79.20	78.75	81.40	79.45	80.00	80.00	80.00	80.00	76.80	80.00	80.00	80.00
Sugar	lb.	38.10	38.00	38.00	38.00	31.67	31.33	31.22	30.69	c52.99	c54.21	c54.21	c55.22	c53.14	c55.37	c55.37	c56.57
Rice	"	10.10	10.10	10.10	10.10	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.38	8.61	8.61	8.61	9.40	8.69	8.69	8.67
Oatmeal	"	11.94	11.94	11.94	11.88	11.90	11.80	11.80	11.80	10.67	10.67	10.50	10.58	10.10	10.20	10.20	10.40
Raisins	"	12.07	12.06	12.00	11.83	9.46	9.94	10.43	10.30	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00
Peaches, canned	30-oz. tin	32.38	32.56	32.69	32.69	31.00	31.28	31.72	30.89	50.33	50.33	50.17	50.50	50.90	50.90	50.90	49.70
Potatoes	7 lb.	49.90	47.65	46.85	47.05	45.05	43.80	43.05	41.30	31.71	32.69	35.00	49.00	24.92	22.54	22.05	42.00
Onions	lb.	38.30	33.73	34.70	35.75	32.88	28.57	28.07	36.75	6.67	6.63	5.50	5.25	7.00	4.89	4.33	3.42
Milk	quart	7.00	7.20	6.20	6.20	7.33	7.87	7.13	6.67	9.50	9.50	9.50	9.50	9.00	9.00	9.50	9.50
Butter	lb.	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	24.00	24.00	24.00	24.00	24.00	24.00	24.00	24.00
Cheese	"	53.85	53.65	55.65	55.65	54.55	54.05	56.10	55.60	23.67	23.83	23.83	22.33	24.80	24.80	24.80	23.60
Eggs	dozen	41.40	41.40	42.17	42.17	40.25	40.25	41.25	40.75	68.00	79.00	79.00	63.50	61.00	72.00	45.00	55.00
Bacon	lb.	78.00	82.64	81.57	79.71	80.50	80.86	80.43	80.43	50.17	50.17	50.17	47.00	50.00	50.25	50.25	47.25
Beef, sirloin	"	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)
" rib	"	48.85	48.00	48.33	48.92	44.00	44.83	45.23	45.70	36.80	39.20	40.00	41.40	32.67	33.67	37.00	39.67
" steak, rump	"	39.53	38.10	36.50	37.73	42.97	43.13	42.77	43.93	34.00	38.00	38.40	40.60	30.67	32.33	35.67	36.33
" sausages	"	63.53	62.77	62.37	64.00	63.37	63.47	65.17	67.23	42.00	45.60	46.60	50.40	38.00	38.67	43.00	44.33
Mutton, leg	"	23.00	23.20	23.30	23.43	23.09	23.13	23.17	23.13	17.40	18.20	19.00	19.00	15.00	15.33	17.00	17.00
" forequarter	"	24.50	23.60	22.47	22.33	25.63	26.75	26.46	25.46	32.80	34.40	34.60	33.00	30.67	31.67	30.33	30.33
" chops	"	16.04	15.85	15.30	15.37	16.29	16.62	17.10	17.19	19.20	19.20	19.60	17.40	18.00	18.00	18.33	18.33
Pork, leg	"	25.03	24.57	24.00	23.70	24.46	25.04	25.21	25.71	31.20	31.60	31.40	30.00	30.67	30.67	30.67	30.67
" chops	"	58.67	56.13	56.10	58.43	56.53	54.20	56.87	57.33	40.00	40.00	40.20	39.20	36.00	36.00	38.00	38.00
" chops	"	57.52	55.27	56.03	57.07	57.43	57.30	59.63	59.27	40.80	40.20	40.20	39.60	37.00	37.00	38.00	39.00

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

(b) Meat prices are averages of the three individual monthly prices in each quarter.

(c) Raspberry jam.

SECTION II.—continued.

AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF FOOD IN PRINCIPAL CITIES: AUSTRALIA AND OTHER COUNTRIES, 1958—continued.

(Particulars extracted from Official Publications and Reports. Prices are quoted in the currency of the country concerned.)

Item.	Unit.	CANADA.								UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.(a)			
		Ottawa.				Montreal.				Feb.	May.	Aug.	Nov.
		Feb.	May.	Aug.	Nov.	Feb.	May.	Aug.	Nov.				
Bread	2 lb.	cents.	cents.	cents.	cents.	cents.	cents.	cents.	cents.	cents.	cents.	cents.	cents.
Flour, plain .. ..	..	26.2	27.6	27.6	27.6	27.4	28.8	28.8	28.8	38.2	38.4	38.6	39.2
Tea	lb.	15.6	15.8	16.0	16.0	16.0	16.4	16.6	16.4	22.1	22.3	22.0	21.9
Jam(b)	14 lb.	116.0	114.6	114.8	115.2	118.4	118.4	118.4	119.2	..	..	..	..
Sugar	lb.	37.5	37.2	37.5	37.2	39.2	39.3	39.0	38.4	11.1	11.2	11.4	11.4
Rice .. ..	..	10.6	10.2	9.5	9.2	10.4	9.7	9.3	9.1	18.1	18.3	18.6	18.5
Oatmeal .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	18.0	18.0	18.0	18.1
Raisins .. ..	..	26.2	26.4	27.6	30.1	27.0	27.8	28.9	30.7	..	..	..	..
Peaches, canned	30-oz. tin	42.4	42.0	41.6	37.8	45.2	45.8	45.2	42.0	..	..	..	..
Potatoes	7 lb.	27.7	35.3	31.4	25.2	26.3	32.9	27.0	25.1	42.9	53.4	41.4	35.3
Onions	lb.	9.3	12.3	12.5	10.2	10.3	13.3	12.4	11.5	9.0	11.3	9.4	9.1
Milk	quart	23.4	23.4	23.4	23.4	23.0	23.0	23.0	23.0	25.7	24.8	25.1	25.5
Butter	lb.	68.6	68.6	68.4	68.6	68.2	68.4	68.1	68.2	74.9	73.6	73.5	74.4
Cheese .. ..	..	69.2	68.2	70.0	70.0	69.0	67.8	69.8	71.4	58.2	58.0	57.8	57.9
Eggs	dozen	49.6	53.4	59.6	65.8	51.9	55.1	60.6	65.0	56.8	56.6	60.9	62.7
Bacon	lb.	89.4	93.8	100.4	90.2	90.8	93.2	98.2	88.2	77.2	80.4	86.4	73.9
Beef, sirloin .. ..	..	91.4	98.0	98.8	99.6	99.1	110.0	106.2	108.6	..	..	..	..
.. rib .. ..	..	84.9	91.4	90.8	91.5	86.0	92.3	91.4	91.5	80.2	82.9	81.7	81.1
.. steak, rump .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	c 101.0	c 105.9	c 104.0	c 104.9
Pork chops .. ..	..	(d) 75.0	73.8	84.8	74.4	72.1	74.9	78.9	71.6	88.6	91.3	94.6	90.7

(a) Average for all towns.

(b) Strawberry jam.

(c) Round steak.

(d) Change of store sample—Not strictly comparable with previous period.

SECTION II.—continued.

AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF FOOD IN PRINCIPAL CITIES: AUSTRALIA AND OTHER COUNTRIES, 1958—continued.

(Particulars extracted from Official Publications and Reports. Prices are quoted in the currency of the country concerned.)

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Item.	Unit.	UNITED KINGDOM.	UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA.							
			Capetown.				Witwatersrand.			
			Oct.	Feb.	May.	Aug.	Nov.	Feb.	May.	Aug.
		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread	2 lb.	12.3	9.9	9.9	9.9	(a) 11.0	9.8	9.8	9.8	(a) 11.0
Flour, plain	"	14.0	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.3	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.3
Tea	lb.	80.9	93.9	97.2	100.1	98.8	97.6	102.0	103.2	100.7
Jam	1½ lb.	"	(b) 20.7	(b) 20.8	(b) 20.5	(b) 20.6	(b) 22.7	(b) 22.9	(b) 23.0	(b) 22.5
Sugar	lb.	7.7	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	(b) 5.5	(b) 5.0	(b) 5.7	(b) 5.7
Rice	"	14.4	"	11.0	11.0	11.0	"	11.1	11.2	11.2
Oatmeal	"	"	12.4	12.4	12.9	12.9	12.4	12.4	12.8	12.8
Raisins	"	"	16.9	17.0	17.4	"	20.2	19.1	19.1	"
Peaches, canned	30-oz. tin	"	28.6	29.3	29.4	"	33.5	33.7	33.6	"
Potatoes	7 lb.	29.8	53.2	53.9	57.4	38.5	37.8	53.2	58.1	42.0
Onions	lb.	5.6	5.6	7.7	7.7	5.5	8.5	10.4	10.0	5.8
Milk	quart	16.0	13.0	13.0	13.0	13.0	13.6	13.6	13.6	13.6
Butter	lb.	33.8	40.0	40.0	40.0	40.0	40.0	40.0	40.0	40.0
Cheese	"	29.1	33.3	33.4	34.4	34.5	33.3	33.4	34.4	34.5
Eggs	dozen	52.0	40.6	45.7	38.5	33.5	40.3	45.7	35.9	33.4
Bacon	lb.	60.9	47.9	47.9	47.9	50.4	45.5	45.4	45.2	44.8
Beef, sirloin	"	(c) 63.5	32.0	31.0	34.0	30.3	31.8	31.8	32.2	32.4
" rib	"	(c) 43.0	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
" steak, rump	"	(c) 82.9	44.0	44.0	44.0	39.3	39.1	38.8	39.1	40.7
Mutton, leg	"	(c) 46.1	41.0	39.0	41.0	36.1	39.8	39.0	39.0	37.2
Pork, leg	"	(c) 48.0	33.0	33.0	38.0	34.6	32.3	32.0	32.1	33.3
" chops	"	"	37.0	37.0	38.0	36.3	34.8	34.1	34.4	35.6

(a) Bread, white, delivered. Not comparable with previous prices.

(b) Apricot jam.

(c) Home killed.

SECTION III.

Comparison of Trends of the Interim Retail Price Index with Trends of the "C" Series Retail Price Index.—The following table shows the Interim Index for the six capital cities combined, with the year 1952-53 as base = 100, in comparison with the "C" Series Index arithmetically converted to the same base:—

Period.	Six Capital Cities (Weighted Average).			
	"C" Series Index.(a)		Interim Index.(a)	
			A	B
Year ended June—1953	100.0		100.0	100.0
1954	102.8		102.2	102.5
1955	103.7		103.7	103.6
	A	B		
1956	107.5	108.8	107.0	108.0
1957	112.2	114.1	113.0	114.3
1958	114.7	114.3	115.7	115.6
Quarter—1952: September	99.0		98.7	98.8
December	99.2		99.4	99.3
1953: March	100.3		100.4	100.4
June	101.4		101.5	101.6
September	102.7		101.9	102.4
December	102.9		101.5	102.2
1954: March	102.9		102.6	102.7
June	102.8		102.7	102.7
September	102.6		102.9	102.7
December	103.2		103.4	103.2
1955: March	103.9		103.8	103.8
June	105.0		104.5	104.7
	A	B		
September	105.9	106.6	105.1	105.7
December	106.7	107.7	106.3	107.0
1956: March	107.8	109.0	107.4	108.3
June	109.7	111.8	109.4	110.8
September	111.1	115.6	111.5	114.4
December	111.7	114.2	112.5	114.2
1957: March	112.6	112.8	113.5	113.7
June	113.5	113.8	114.5	114.8
September	114.0	113.8	115.1	115.1
December	114.0	113.5	115.1	114.9
1958: March	115.0	114.7	115.9	115.8
June	115.9	115.3	116.7	116.5
September	116.3	115.7	117.1	116.9
December	117.3	117.0	118.3	118.3

(a) The index in column "A" excludes, and that in column "B" includes potatoes and onions.

NOTE.—The figures appearing after the decimal point possess little significance for general statistical purposes. They are inserted to avoid the distortion that would occur in rounding off the figures to the nearest whole number. For instance, if the above Interim Index numbers (including potatoes and onions) for each quarter of 1953 were rounded off to 100, 102, 102 and 102 respectively, they would suggest a rise of 2 per cent. in the June Quarter, 1953 and no change in the September Quarter, 1953. The figures for the Interim Index as presented in the table indicate a rise of the order of 1 per cent. in the June Quarter, 1953, and 1 per cent. in the September Quarter, 1953. Price indexes cannot measure aggregate price variations with an accuracy of the order of one-tenth of 1 per cent.

SECTION IV.

**MINIMUM RATES OF WAGE FOR ADULT MALE WORKERS IN THE MAIN
OCCUPATIONS IN THE CAPITAL CITY OF EACH STATE FOR A FULL
WEEK'S WORK (EXCLUDING OVERTIME) AT 31st DECEMBER, 1958.**

NOTE.—These rates are quoted from the latest Awards, Determinations or Agreements which were in force at 31st December, 1958. Where two or more Award, Determination or Agreement Rates are quoted, the reason is that different rates of wage have been fixed for various classes or grades of work. In certain cases of this nature the wages are shown in the form (say) 290s. 0d. to 335s. 0d., indicating that in addition to the two rates specified there are also certain intermediate rates in force. In other cases the rates are shown in the form 327s. 0d. and 339s. 0d., indicating that there are only two minimum or standard rates in force for different classes or grades of work, and that there are no intermediate minimum or standard rates. Except where otherwise specified by a numerical prefix in small type, the hours of labour constituting a full week's work are 40. Rates for some occupations have been revised and are not necessarily comparable with those quoted in previous issues.

GROUP I.—WOOD, FURNITURE, SAWMILLS AND TIMBER YARDS.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
<i>Coopering—</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>
Coopers	343 0	348 0	336 0	331 0	352 0	375 0
<i>Furniture—</i>						
Cabinetmakers ..	345 0	335 0	328 0	331 0	347 5	342 0
Carpet Planners ..	345 0	335 0	328 0	331 0	346 11	342 0
Chairmakers ..	345 0	335 0	328 0	331 0	347 5	342 0
French Polishers ..	345 0	335 0	328 0	331 0	345 11	342 0
Upholsters ..	345 0	335 0	328 0	331 0	345 11	342 0
Woodcarvers ..	345 0	335 0	328 0	331 0	345 11	342 0
Wood Machinists ..	345 0	290/ to 335/	328 0	286/ to 331/	316/11 & 345/11	297/ to 342/
<i>Mattress Making—Wvre—</i>						
Finishers	327 0	290 0	321 7	286 0	303 5	297 0
Makers	327/ & 339/	335 0	321 7	331 0	316 11	342 0
<i>Picture Framing—</i>						
Stainers	327 0	300 0	310 0	296 0	} 303 5 {	307 0
Joiners	327 0	290 0	310 0	286 0		297 0
Mount Cutters ..	327 0	290 0	310 0	286 0		297 0
<i>Sawmilling and Timber Yards—</i>						
Box and Casemakers ..	308 0	300 0	296 0	296 0	295 5	307 0
Labourers	282 0	274 0	278 6	270 0	273 5	281 0
<i>Machinists—</i>						
Box Printing ..	289 6	281 6	..	277 6	..	288 6
Bolts Carver ..	338 0	330 0	..	326 0	..	337 0
Nailing	293 0	285 0	281 6	281 0	..	292 0
Planing	311/ & 338/	303/ & 330/	281 6	299/ & 326/	294/5 to 334/11	310/ & 337/
Shaping	338 0	330 0	281 6	326 0	341 5	337 0
Ordermen	316 0	308 0	301 6	304 0	312 11	315 0
Saw Doctors ..	358 0	350 0	346 0	346 0	360 11	357 0
<i>Sawyers—</i>						
Band or Jig ..	310/6 to 343/	302/6 to 335/	301/6 to 331/	298/6 to 331/	312/11 & 331/11	309/6 to 342/
Circular	313/ & 335/	305/ & 327/	..	301/ & 323/	312/11 & 328/11	312/ & 334/
Stickers	285/ & 293/	277/ & 285/	..	273/ & 281/	286/5 & 294/5	284/ & 292/
Wood Turners ..	338 0	330 0	311 6	326 0	..	337 0

SECTION IV.—continued.

GROUP II.—ENGINEERING, METAL WORKS, ETC.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
<i>Agricultural Implements—</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>
Assemblers ..	313 0	285/ & 295/	288 0	281/ & 291/	298/5 & 308/5	312 0
Buildozer men ..	331 0	297 6	306 0	293 6	340 11	330 0
Drillers ..	303/ to 343/	287 6	278/ to 318/	283 6	318/5 & 323/5	302/ to 342/
Fitters ..	313/ & 343/	300/ to 335/	288/ & 318/	296/ to 331/	318/5 & 348/5	312/ to 342/
Labourers—Unskilled ..	277 0	269 0	252 0	265 0	273 5	276 0
Machinists—Metal ..	303/ to 343/	295/ to 335/	278/ to 318/	291/ to 331/	308/5 to 348/5	302/ to 342/
Painters—Brush ..	291 0	283 0	266 0	279 0	295 11	290 0
Spray ..	293 0	285 0	268 0	281 0	298 5	292 0
Patternmakers ..	365 6	357 6	340 6	353 6	370 11	364 6
Sheet Metal Workers ..	318/ & 343/	310/ to 335/	293/ & 318/	306/ to 331/	323/5 & 348/5	317/ & 342/
Strikers ..	291/ & 295/6	283/ & 287/6	266/ & 270/6	279/ & 283/6	297 5	290/ & 294/6
<i>Boilermaking—</i>						
Boilermakers ..	343 0	335 0	358 6	331 0	348 5	342 0
Structural Steel Tradesmen ..	343 0	335 0	..	331 0	348 5	342 0
<i>Cycles and Motor Cycles—</i>						
Assemblers ..	292 6	296/6 & 308/	314 6	288/ & 300/6	298 5	305/ & 319/6
Frame Builders ..	303 0	308/ & 313/6	..	297/ & 312/	298 5	319 6
Repairers ..	303 0	308/ & 313/6	344 0	297/ & 312/	323 5	319 6
Turners (Cycle) ..	303 0	338 0	..	..	348 5	324 0
<i>Electrical Installation—</i>						
Cable Jointers ..	354 0	327/6 & 332/6	358 6	323/6 & 328/6	348 5	334/6 & 339/6
Electrical Fitters ..	354 0	335 0	361 3	331 0	348 5	342 0
Electrical Mechanics ..	354 0	335 0	358 6	331 0	340 11	342 0
Patrolmen ..	..	288/6 & 317/6	308 5	284/6 & 313/6	..	295/6 & 324/6
Linesmen ..	346 0	317 6	358 6	313 6	333/5 & 339/5	324 6
Other Adults ..	302 0	269 0	297 6	265 0	293 5	276 0
<i>Electrical Supply—</i>						
Armature Winders ..	400 0	358 0	376 3	346 0	348 5	347 0
Cable Jointers ..	407 0	350/6 & 355/6	378 6	338/6 & 343/6	348 5	339/6 & 344/6
Instrument Makers ..	424 0	383 0	398 6	371 0	348 5	372 0
Linesmen ..	370/ & 385/	320/6 & 338/	358 6	331 0	333/5 & 339/5	329/6 to 347/
Meter Testers ..	398 0	320/6 & 331/6	378 9	301/ & 311/	..	317/ & 327/
Patrolmen—Night ..	437 0	(a) 383 2	(a) 338 6	(a) 355 8	..	(a) 411 11
Shift Electricians ..	430 0	358 0	365 3	346 0	..	347 0
Switchboard Attendants ..	..	316 6	297 6	309 6	..	325 6
Labourers ..	336 0	280 0	297 6	265 0	293 5	281 0
<i>Electrical Trades—</i>						
Electrical Fitters ..	343 0	335 0	361 3	331 0	348 5	342 0
Electrical Mechanics ..	343 0	335 0	358 6	331 0	340 11	342 0
Radio Tradesmen ..	343 0	335 0	358 6	331 0	348 5	342 0
<i>Electroplating—</i>						
Platers ..	290/ to 343/	282/ to 335/	331 0	278/ to 331/	323/5 & 348/5	289/ to 342/
Polishers ..	308 0	300 0	296/ to 331/	296 0	313 5	307 0
<i>Engineering—</i>						
Blacksmiths ..	345 6	337 6	366 0	333 6	348 5	344 6
Borers and Slotters ..	318/ & 343/	310/ & 335/	358 6	306/ & 331/	323/5 & 348/5	317/ & 342/
Brassfinishers ..	318/ & 343/	310/ & 335/	358 6	306/ & 331/	348 5	317/ & 342/
Coppersmiths ..	345 6	337 6	361 0	333 6	300/11 & 348/5	344 6
Drillers—Radial ..	293/ & 335/6	285/ & 327/6	310 6	281/ & 321/6	298/5 & 340/11	292/ & 334/6
Fitters ..	343 0	335 0	358 6	331 0	348 5	342 0
Millers ..	318/ & 343/	310/ & 335/	358 6	306/ & 331/	323/5 & 348/5	317/ & 342/
Patternmakers ..	365 6	357 6	381 0	353 6	370 11	364 6

(a) Includes allowance for continuous night work.

SECTION IV.—continued.

GROUP II.—ENGINEERING, METAL WORKS, ETC.—continued.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
<i>Engineering—continued.</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>
Planers—						
Rail and Plate Edge	318/ & 343/	310/ & 335/	310 6	306/ & 331/	323/5 & 348/5	317/ & 342/
Other	318/ & 343/	310/ & 335/	358 6	306/ & 331/	323/5 & 348/5	317/ & 342/
Shapers	318/ & 343/	310/ & 335/	358 6	306/ & 331/	323/5 & 348/5	317/ & 342/
Turners	343 0	335 0	358 6	331 0	348 5	342 0
<i>Foundry—</i>						
Coremakers—Machine	296/ to 318/	288/ to 310/	358 6	284/ to 306/	297/5 to 323/5	295/ & 317/
Jobbing	343 0	335 0	358 6	331 0	348 5	342 0
Dressers	291/0 to 315/6	283/ to 307/6	310 0	279/ to 303/6	300/11 & 305/11	290/ & 314/6
Furnacemen ..	305/6 to 313/	297/6 to 305/	311/6 to 341/	293/6 to 301/	310/11 to 318/5	304/6 to 312/
Moulders—Machine..	296/ to 318/	288/ to 310/	323 6	284/ to 306/	297/5 to 323/5	295/ to 317/
Jobbing ..	343 0	335 0	358 6	331 0	348 5	342 0
<i>Ironworking Assistants—</i>						
Boilermakers' Assistants ..	291 0	283 0	305 6	279 0	297 5	290 0
Fitters' Assistants ..	291 0	283 0	305 6	279 0	297 5	290 0
Furnacemen's Assistants ..	291 0	283 0	295 4	279 0	296 5	290 0
Moulders' Assistants ..	291 0	283 0	307 0	279 0	297 5	290 0
Strikers	291/ & 295/6	283/ & 287/6	305 6	279/ & 283/6	297 5	290/ & 294/6
<i>Nailmaking—</i>						
Case Wire	290 0	272 0	..	..	..	275 0
Labourers	290 0	272 0	..	..	..	275 0
Setters Up	308 0	308 0	..	..	..	300 0
<i>Sheet Metal Working—</i>						
Canister Makers ..	298 0	290 0	308 6	286 0	303 5	297 0
Japanners—						
Coating or Brushwork ..	290 0	282 0	323 6	278 0	298 5	289 0
Ornamental	318 0	310 0	323 6	306 0	298 5	317 0
Solderers	290/ & 298/	282/ & 290/	..	278/ & 286/	293 5	289/ & 297/
Sheet Metal Workers—						
1st Class	343 0	335 0	358 6	331 0	348 5	342 0
2nd Class	318 0	310 0	323 6	306 0	323 5	317 0
<i>Wire Working—</i>						
Journeymen	293 0	308 0	284 0	..	280 11	..

GROUP III.—FOOD, DRINK, TOBACCO, ETC.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
<i>Aerated Water and Cordials—</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>
Bottlers	295 0	287 0	270 0	294 0	288 5	294 0
Drivers (Motor, 3-ton)	312 6	305 6	304 6	301 6	319 5	312 6
Packers	292 0	284 0	267 0	290 0	273 5	291 0
Wire	292 0	284 0	267 0	290 0	273 5	291 0
<i>Baking (Bread)—</i>						
Board Hands ..	356 0	362 6	..	331 0	358 5	352 0
Carters (One Horse) ..	333 0	335 6	303 0	323 6	299 11	306 0
Doughmen	368/6 & 371/6	369 2	303 6	372 3	370 5	352 0
Ovenmen	364 6	362 6	301 0	331 0	358 5	352 0
Singlehands	361 0	385 10	303 6	342 3	370 5	362 0
<i>Baking (Biscuits and Cakes)—</i>						
Adult Males	291 6	283 0	270 6	269 0	276 5	276 0
Bakers	324 0	313 0	281 0	301 0	308 11	321 0
Mixers	306/ & 311/6	313 0	281 0	296 0	314 5	327 0

SECTION IV.—continued.

GROUP III.—FOOD, DRINK, TOBACCO, ETC.—continued.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
<i>Brewing—</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>
Adult Males ..	318 0	303 0	302 0	319 0	321 5	310 0
Bottlers and Washers ..	318 0	303 0	302 0	319 0	321 5	310 0
Cellarmen ..	318/ & 325/	310 0	317 0	334 0	326 5	310 0
Drivers (Motor, 3-ton) ..	332 0	305 6	308 6	335 0	336 5	312 6
Towermen ..	325 0	310 0	302 0	334 0	326 5	333 0
<i>Butchering (Carcass)—</i>						
Chilling Room Hands ..	309/ to 318/	366 6	345 9	324/9 & 336/9	301 5	371 0
Labourers (Beef) ..	315 0	334 6	322 6	324 9	289 5	337 0
(Mutton) ..	303 0	334 6	329 6	324 9	289 5	337 0
Scalders ..	373 0	345 0	328 2	430 0	318 5	349 0
Slaughtermen (Beef) ..	417 0	411 6	(a)	430 0	318 5	409 0
(Mutton) ..	(a)	411 6	(a)	430 0	318 5	409 0
<i>Butchering (Retail)—</i>						
Carters (Cash Cutting) ..	334 0	326 0	309 0	322 0	325 11	332 0
(One Horse) ..	311 0	283 6	286 0	299 0	286 5	290 6
General Butchers ..	343 0	335 0	318 0	331 0	325 11	342 0
Shopmen ..	343 0	335 0	318 0	331 0	325 11	342 0
Smallgoodsmen ..	343 0	335 0	318 0	331 0	325 11	335 0
<i>Cold Storage and Ice—</i>						
Chamber Hands ..	315/ & 329/	366 6	280 0	300 0	298 5	348 3
Pullers and Stackers ..	302 0	353 10	285 9	300 0	298 5	..
<i>Confectionery—</i>						
Confectioners, Grade I. ..	330 0	320 0	318 0	316 0	313 5	324 0
Storemen ..	313 0	306 6	293 0	292 0	278 5	303 0
<i>Ham and Bacon Curing—</i>						
Curers—First Hand ..	350 6	372 6	327 7	349 0	343 5	355 0
Cutters Up—First Hand ..	328 0	372 6	321 2	349 0	325 11	355 0
Ham Baggers ..	..	345 0	312 6	321 6	..	342 0
Lardmen ..	308 0	345/ to 357/	312 6	321/6 & 333/6	..	342 0
Rollers and Trimmers ..	323 0	357 0	306 1	333 6	309/5 & 325/11	355 0
Scalders ..	333 0	357 0	317 6	333 6	325 11	355 0
Slaughtermen ..	333 0	372 6	329 11	349 0	343 5	409 0
Smallgoodsmen—First Hand ..	328 0	363 9	327 7	340 3	325 11	363 0
Smokers—First Hand ..	328 0	357 0	318 5	333 6	..	342 0
<i>Jam Making and Preserving—</i>						
Adult Males ..	287 0	287 0	279 6	287 0	285 5	287 0
Solderers ..	292 0	292 0	..	292 0	293 5	292 0
<i>Making—</i>						
Malsters ..	320 0	308 0	300 0	..	321 5	310 0
<i>Milling—Condiments—</i>						
Grinders ..	321 6	314 0	..	..	..	..
Mixers or Blenders ..	315 6	294 0	282 6	..	302 5	..
Stone Dressers ..	321 6	314 0	..	..	..	..
<i>Milling—Flour—</i>						
Millers—Head ..	385 0	385 0	340 0	385 0	385 0	366 9
.. Shift ..	347/6 to 385/	347/6 to 385/	316/ to 329/	347/6 to 385/	347/6 to 385/	359/9 to 380/
Packermen ..	323 0	323 0	295 6	323 0	323 0	335 9
Purifiers ..	327 6	327 6	298 0	327 6	327 6	330 3
Silkmen ..	327 6	327 6	298 0	327 6	327 6	330 3
Storemen—Head ..	330/ & 338/	330/ & 338/	298/ & 303/6	330/ & 338/	330/ & 338/	315/9 & 322/6
Topmen ..	327 6	327 6	298 0	327 6	327 6	330 3
Truckers and Others ..	298 0	298 0	293 0	298 0	298 0	306 0
<i>Milling—Oatmeal—</i>						
Kilnmen ..	313 0	289 6	..	..	..	315/ & 319/3
Millers—Head ..	340 6	314 0	..	..	..	356/9 & 361/9
<i>Pastrycooking—</i>						
Carters ..	306 0	296 0	298 0	323 6	309 5	306 0
Pastrycooks ..	350 0	332 0	309/6 & 317/	331 0	323 5	334 6

(a) Piece-work rates.

SECTION IV.—continued

GROUP IV.—CLOTHING, TEXTILES, ETC.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Bootmaking—						
Bootmakers ..	317 0	317 0	317 0	317 0	309 0	317 0
Tailoring—Order—						
Cutters ..	423 0	358 0	358 0	358 0	358 0	358 0
Pressers ..	320 0	320 0	320 0	320 0	320 0	320 0
Tailors ..	331 0	331 0	331 0	331 0	331 0	331 0
Trimmers ..	320 0	320 0	320 0	320 0	320 0	320 0
Tailoring—Ready-made—						
Cutters ..	336 0	336 0	336 0	336 0	336 0	336 0
Folders ..	293 0	293 0	293 0	293 0	293 0	293 0
Machinists ..	320 0	320 0	320 0	320 0	320 0	320 0
Pressers ..	320 0	320 0	320 0	320 0	320 0	320 0
Tailors ..	331 0	331 0	331 0	331 0	331 0	331 0
Trimmers ..	320 0	320 0	320 0	320 0	320 0	320 0
Textile-Working—Woolen						
Mills—						
Carders ..	295 0	295 0	288 0	288 0	295 0	295 0
Dyehousemen ..	300 0	300 0	288 0	293 0	300 0	300 0
Labourers—General ..	266 0	266 0	270 0	259 0	266 0	266 0
Pattern Weavers ..	309 0	309 0		302 0	309 0	309 0
Scourers (Wool) ..	309 6	309 6	291/ & 297/6	302 6	309 6	309 6
Spinners ..	295 0	295 0	288/ & 297/	288 0	295 0	295 0
Loom Tuners ..	287/ to 333/	287/ to 333/	284/ to 326/	280/ to 326/	287/ to 333/	287/ to 333/

GROUP V.—BOOKS, PRINTING, BOOKBINDING, ETC.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Bookbinding—						
Bookbinders ..	343 0	335 0	318 0	331 0	336 0	342 0
Finishers ..	343 0	335 0	318 0	331 0	336 0	342 0
Marblers ..	343 0	335 0	318 0	331 0	336 0	342 0
Paper Rulers ..	343 0	335 0	318 0	331 0	336 0	342 0
Engraving (Photo(a)—						
Engravers ..	346 9	341 9	357 9	316 0	358 5	350 9
Etchers—Half-tone ..	356 9	351 9	367 9	320 6	358 5	360 9
Etchers—Line ..	346 9	341 9	357 9	316 0	348 5	350 9
Camera Operators ..	356 9	351 9	367 9	320 6	358 5	360 9
Photo Imposers ..	346 9	341 9	357 9	316 0	348 5	350 9
Rotors ..	343 0	338 0	354 0	314 0	338 5	347 0
Lithographing—						
Printers ..	343 0	335 0	318 0	331 0	336 0	342 0
Rotary Machinists ..	343 0	335 0	318 0	331 0	336 0	342 0
Stone Polishers ..	296 0	288 0	271 0	284 0	289 0	295 0
Printing (Daily News- papers)—						
Compositors (Machine)						
Day Work ..	433 0	449 6	429 6	426 0	447 11	437 0
Night Work ..	453 0	485 6	465 6	451 0	480 11	462 0
Linotype Attendants—						
Day Work ..	358 0	362 6	358 0	357 0	363 5	368 0
Night Work ..	378 0	398 6	394 0	382 0	396 5	393 0
Linotype Operators—						
Day Work ..	398 0	421 0	413 0	396 0	447 11	407 0
Night Work ..	418 0	457 0	449 0	421 0	480 11	432 0
Machinists (First Hand)—						
Day Work ..	388 0	425 6	421 6	411 0	424 11	422 0
Night Work ..	408 0	461 6	457 6	436 0	457 11	447 0
Publishing Hands—						
Day Work ..	358 0	362 6	358 0	341 0	368 5	352 0
Night Work ..	378 0	398 6	394 0	366 0	401 5	377 0
Readers—						
Day Work ..	398 0	425 0	413 0	403 0	424 5	414 0
Night Work ..	418 0	461 0	449 0	428 0	457 5	439 0

(a) Other than in newspaper offices.

(1) 38 hours. (2) 36 hours. (3) 34 hours.

SECTION IV.—continued.

GROUP V.—BOOKS, PRINTING, BOOKBINDING, ETC.—continued.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
<i>Printing (Daily Newspapers)—continued.</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>
Readers' Assistants—						
Day Work ..	358 0	366 6	365 6	338 0	377 5	349 0
Night Work ..	378 0	402 6	401 6	363 0	410 5	374 0
Stereotypers (First Class)—						
Day Work ..	388 0	421 0	413 0	391 0	420 5	402 0
Night Work ..	408 0	457 0	449 0	416 0	453 5	427 0
<i>Printing (Job Offices)—</i>						
Compositors ..	343/ to 365/6	335/ to 357/6	318/ to 340/6	331/ to 353/6	336/ to 358/6	342/ to 364/6
Electrotypers ..	343 0	335 0	318 0	331 0	336 0	342 0
General Hands ..	284 0	276 0	259 0	272 0	277 0	283 0
Linotype Operators ..	365 6	357 6	340 6	353 6	358 6	364 6
Machinists ..	343 0	335 0	318 0	331 0	336 0	342 0
Monotype Operators ..	365 6	357 6	340 6	353 6	358 6	364 6
Monotype Casting ..						
Machinists ..	343 0	335 0	318 0	331 0	336 0	342 0
Readers ..	350 6	342 6	325 6	338 6	343 6	349 6
Stereotypers ..	343 0	335 0	318 0	331 0	336 0	342 0

GROUP VI.—OTHER MANUFACTURING.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
<i>Brickmaking—</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>
Burners ..	313/6 & 321/6	314 0	295 6	307 6	310 11	325 0
Drivers, Motor (5 tons) ..	335 0	315 0	314 0	311 0	329 5	327 0
Drawers ..	343 6	313/6 to 326/6	292 10	312 6	315 5	325 0
Labourers ..	310 0	303 0	284 8	295 0	299 5	321 6
Machinemen ..	335 6	310 6	292 10	306 0	299 5	321 6
Painters ..	318/6 & 338/6	306/6 & 310/6	292 10	313/6 & 316/6	299 5	321 6
Pitmen ..	336 4	328/6 & 334/6	286 7	320 0	299 5	321 6
Setters ..	343 6	313/6 to 326/6	291 4	312 6	315 5	328/6 & 335/6
Wheelers ..	332 0	308 0	286 7	301 0	299 5	321 6
<i>Brushmaking—</i>						
Bass Broom Drawers ..	339 6	308 0	291 6	301 0	306 11	..
Finishers ..	339 6	308 0	291 6	301 0	306 11	..
Machinists—Boring ..	318 6	290 0	291 6	301 0	306 11	..
Paint Brush Makers ..	348 0	320 6	291 6	301 0	..	..
<i>Candle Making—</i>						
Acidifiers ..	300 6	306 6	278 6	..	..	..
General Hands ..	297 0	282 0	276 0	278 0	294 5	..
Glycerine Hands ..	300 6	306 6	283 6	302 6	303 5	..
Moulders ..	309 3	292 6	283 6	288 6	297 5	..
Stillmen ..	314 6	306 6	287 0	302 6	..	..
<i>Cardboard Box Making—</i>						
Guillotine and other Cutters ..	299/6 to 321/9	291/6 to 313/9	274/6 to 296/9	287/6 to 309/9	292/6 to 314/9	298/6 to 320/9
Other Adults ..	284 0	276 0	259 0	272 0	277 0	283 0
<i>Vehicle Building—</i>						
Bodymakers, 1st Class ..	343 0	335 0	358 6	331 0	348 5	342 0
Labourers ..	271 0	263 0	295 4	259 0	273 5	270 0
Painters ..	296/6 to 335/6	288/6 to 327/6	351 0	284/6 to 323/6	340 11	295/6 to 334/6
Smiths ..	345 6	337 6	361 0	333 6	348 5	344 6
Trimmers ..	318/ & 335/6	310/ & 327/6	351 0	306/ & 323/6	340 11	317/ & 334/6
<i>Wheelmaking Machinists—</i>						
..	343 0	335 0	353 6	331 0	340 11	342 0
Wheelwrights ..	343 0	335 0	358 6	331 0	348 5	342 0

(1) 38 hours.

(2) 36 hours.

(3) 39 hours.

SECTION IV.—continued.

GROUP VI.—OTHER MANUFACTURING—continued.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	<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>Fellmongering—</i>						
Bate Hands ..	298 0	291 0	275 0	287 0	313 5	294 0
Green Hands ..	298 0	291 0	275 0	287 0	313/5 & 324/5	294 0
Limepit Men ..	298 0	291 0	275 0	287 0	313 5	294 0
Machinists ..	298/ to 308/6	291/ to 301/6	275/ to 285/6	287/ to 297/6	313/5 & 324/5	294/ to 304/6
Soakhole Men ..	302 0	295 0	279 0	291 0	324 5	298 0
Wool Sorters ..	337/ & 367/	330/ & 360/	314/ & 344/	326/ & 356/	327 5	333/ & 363/
<i>Gas Making and Supply—</i>						
Coke Trimmers ..	296 0	284 0	..	280 0	287 5	288 0
Gas Fitters ..	366 0	352 6	343 9	345 0	336 5	342 0
Labourers ..	287 0	278 0	275 0	271 0	276 5	282 0
Mainlayers ..	320 6	305 6	313 6	304 6	313 11	309 6
Metermakers ..	348 0	333 0	358 6	337/ to 352/	317/11 to 331/5	342 0
Meter Testers ..	308/ & 323/	313 0	312 6	307 0	320 11	312 0
Service Layers ..	328 0	305 6	306 0	304 6	313 11	309 6
Stokers ..	318 0	303/ & 315/6	300 0	302 0	317 11	307/ & 319/6
<i>Glassfounding—</i>						
Furnacemen ..	315 6	308/ & 313/	291/ & 296/	304/ & 309/	309/ & 314/	315/ & 320/
Labourers ..	295 6	285 0	268 0	281 0	286 0	292 0
Lehr Attendants ..	310 6	298 0	281 0	294 0	299 0	305 0
Sorters ..	310 6	293/ & 300/	276/ & 283/	289/ & 296/	294/ & 301/	300/ & 307/
<i>Glass Working and Glazing</i>						
Bevellers ..	373 0	335 0	341 9	331 0	348 5	342 0
Cutters and Glaziers ..	359 4	327 6	341 9	323 6	..	334 6
Lead Light Glaziers ..	359 4	335 0	..	331 0	348 5	342 0
Silverers ..	373 0	335 0	341 9	331 0	348 5	342 0
<i>Jewellery, Clock and Watch Making—</i>						
Chainmakers ..	343 0	325 6	313 6	316 0	348 5	..
Engravers ..	358 0	331 0	313/6 & 326/	319 0	348 5	..
Mounters ..	318/ to 358/	313/ to 353/	315/6 & 326/	326 0	348 5	..
Setters ..	343/ to 358/	325/6 to 353/	..	326 0	348 5	..
Watch and Clock Makers and Repairers	365 6	341 0	346 0	324 6	354 5	319/ & 362/
<i>Leather and Canvas Work—</i>						
Canvas Workers ..	308 0	300 0	283 0	296 0	287 5	307 0
Leather Workers ..	318 0	310 0	293 0	306 0	325 5	317 0
<i>Masonry—Marble and Stone—</i>						
Carvers ..	388 4	365 6	348 8	390 0	348 5	..
Machinists—						
Carborandum ..	375 0	302/3 & 321/	342 0	293/ & 311/6	298 5	..
Other ..	375 0	302/3 & 321/	342 0	293/ & 311/6	298 5	..
Masons ..	375 0	342 0	342 0	332 0	348 5	359 0
<i>Paper Bag Making—</i>						
Guillotine Cutters ..	311 9	303 9	286 9	299 9	304 9	310 9
Machinists ..	311/9 & 326/9	303/9 & 318/9	286/9 & 301/9	299/9 & 314/9	304/9 & 319/9	310/9 & 325/9
<i>Paper Making—</i>						
Beatermen ..	367 6	375 6	..	..	..	399 6
Breakermen ..	326 0	318 0	..	..	..	338 0
Guillotine Men ..	330 6	322 6	..	..	..	416 6
Machinemen ..	381 6	409 6	(a) 277 6	..	..	416 6
Ragbreakermen ..	323 6	315 6	..	..	..	307 6
Other Adults ..	308 6	300 6	(a) 274 6	..	..	..

(a) Paper board.

SECTION IV.—continued.

GROUP VI.—OTHER MANUFACTURING—continued.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	<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>Potteries—General—</i>						
Burners—Head ..	315 0	304 6	303 4	293/ & 296/6	303 5	319 0
Hollow-ware Pressers	330 9	295 0	295 6	283 6		332 0
Sanitary Pressers ..	330 9	296 6	295 6	283 6	286/11 & 299/11	332 0
Throwers—1st Class..	333/9 & 337/	288/6 to 307/	307 0	307/ & 326/		335 0
<i>Potteries—Pipemaking—</i>						
Burners—Head ..	321 11	304 6	303 4	311 6	308 5	319 0
Drawers ..	323 6	292 6		296 6	300 5	
Moulders ..	327 0			311 6	303 5	315 6
Mould Makers ..		307 0	295 6		300 5	
Setters ..	323 6	300 6	291 4	305/ & 311/6	300 5	319 0
<i>Quarrying—</i>						
Borers—Hand or Machine ..	334/9 & 341/3	318 0	287 11		301 11	312 0
Dressers ..	357 2	328 6	294 7		301 11	
Facemen ..	340 4	333 0	287 11		301 11	312 0
Hammermen ..	334 9	333 6	287 11	299 0	301 11	312 0
Crusher Feeders ..	342 2	325 0	287 0	292 6	308 5	321 0
Quarrymen ..	357 2		294 7			321 0
<i>Rubber Working—</i>						
Calendar Hands ..	323/ & 335/6	315/ & 327/6	311 0	311 0		
Cycle Tyre Makers ..	290 0	282 0	288 6		298 5	300 6
Dough Mixers ..	290 0	282 0	273 6	267 6		
Hosemakers ..	296/ to 308/	288/ to 300/	275 0			
Mechanical Lathe Hands ..	296/ to 303/	288/ to 295/	275 0	279 6		
Mill Hands ..	290/ to 308/	282/ to 300/	275 0	289 0		
Spreaders ..	296/ to 308/	288/ to 300/	275 0			
Surgical, Packing, and other Makers ..	296/ to 318/	288/ to 310/	275 0			
Tyre Moulders ..	290/ to 303/	282/ to 295/	288 6		298 5	300 6
<i>Sailmaking—</i>						
Sailmakers ..	320 0	312 0	295 0	308 0		319 0
<i>Shipbuilding(a)—</i>						
Carpenters and Joiners	394 0	394 0	394 0	394 0	394 0	394 0
Dockers ..	284/ to 308/6	284/ to 308/6	284/ to 308/6	284/ to 308/6	284/ to 308/6	284/ to 308/6
Painters ..	284 0	284 0	284 0	284 0	284 0	284 0
Shipwrights ..	340 0	340 0	340 0	340 0	340 0	340 0
<i>Soap Making—</i>						
General Hands ..	297 0	282 0	276 0	278 0	294 5	
Mixers ..	304/ to 309/3	287/ to 307/6	292 3	283/ & 291/	303 5	
Soap Makers ..	335 6	326 6	318 6	310 0	297 5	
<i>Tanning and Currying—</i>						
Beamsmen ..	321 6	313 6	296 6	309 6	314 6	320 6
Curriers ..	346 6	338 6	321 6	334 6	339 6	345 6
Japanners or Enam- ellers ..	321 0	313 0	296 0	309 0	314 0	320 0
Limejobbers ..	319 6	311 6	294 6	307 6	312 6	318 6
Machinists—						
Fleshing ..	328 0	320 0	303 0	316 0	321 0	327 0
Scouring ..	310 6	302 6	285 6	298 6	303 6	309 6
Splitting ..	336/6 to 346/6	328/6 to 338/6	311/6 to 321/6	324/6 to 334/6	329/6 to 339/6	335/6 to 345/6
Unhairing ..	321 6	313 6	296 6	309 6	314 6	320 6
Rollers and Strikers	320/ & 322/6	312/ & 314/6	295/ & 297/6	308/ & 310/6	313/ & 315/6	319/ & 321/6
Tablemen ..	315/6 to 322/6	307/6 to 314/6	290/6 to 297/6	303/6 to 310/6	308/6 to 315/6	314/6 to 321/6
<i>Tent and Tarpaulin Making—</i>						
Cutters ..	308 0	300 0	283 0	296 0		307 0
Machinists ..	308 0	300 0	283 0	296 0	287 5	307 0
Sewers—Hand ..	308 0	300 0	283 0	296 0	287 5	307 0
Tent Makers ..	308 0	300 0	283 0	296 0	287 5	307 0

(a) Permanent rates.

SECTION IV.—continued.

GROUP VII.—BUILDING.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney. (a)	Melbourne. (a)	Brisbane.	Adelaide. (a)	Perth.	Hobart (a)
<i>Building—</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>
Bricklayers—						
Sewer and Tunnel ..	396 8	413 11	358 3	379 2	393 9	395 0
Surface ..	376 8	398 4	350 9	369 2	380 5	395 0
Builders' Labourers ..	318 4	342 6	309 9	305 0	309 3	322 6
Carpenters ..	385 0	402 6	354 9	372 6	383 5	398 4
Lathers ..	385 0	402 6	354 9	372 6	381 11	395 0
Metal Ceilars ..	385 0	402 6	354 9	372 6	383 5	398 4
Masons ..	375 0	401 0	342 0	369 2	378 5	395 0
Painters, Paperhangers	372 6	395 10	350 9	356 8	379 8	395 0
Signwriters ..	388 4	395 10	352 3	356 8	379 8	395 0
Plasterers—						
Sewer or Tunnel ..	401 8	398 4	359 3	380 10	395 3	395 0
Surface ..	381 8	398 4	351 9	370 10	381 11	395 0
Plumbers, Gasfitters ..	389 3	408 5	351 9	339 0	382 11	375 0
Slaters ..	385 5	379 2	350 9		336 11	
Tilers (Roof) ..	385 5	379 2	350 9	332 6	336 11	
Tuckpointers ..	376 8	398 4	350 9	369 2	380 5	395 0
<i>Water Supply and Sewerage—</i>						
Concrete Workers ..	327/2 to 352/2	301/ & 310/	285/10 to 305/4	274/ & 279/	288/5 to 303/5	297/ & 304/
Labourers ..	320/11 to 339/8	295 0	278/6 to 318/5	256 0	280 11	291 0
Miners—Sewer ..	348/10 to 367/9	307/ & 313/	307/ & 312/	284 0	293/11 to 322/2	297/ & 311/
Pipe-jointers and Setters ..	339/5 to 339/8	313 0	286 6	279/ to 289/	303/5 to 318/5	308 0

(a) Rates are weekly equivalents of hourly rates. They include allowances for leave, holidays, following the job, etc.

GROUP VIII.—MINING.

Industry and Occupation.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Queensland.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.
<i>Coal-mining—</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>
Blacksmiths ..	349 0	344 0	324/ & 340/		370 1	348 0
Bracemen ..	334 0	313 6	309/ & 325/			313 6
Carpenters ..	353 0	348 0	328/ & 344/			352 0
Deputies ..	396 6	386 0	371/6 & 387/6		396 2	
Engine Drivers—						
Locomotive ..	330/ & 403/		327/6 & 343/6			317/4 & 351/
Stationary ..	317/6 to 347/6	317/ & 329/	304/6 to 338/6		327/5 & 332/11	309/5 to 324/
Winding ..	382 0	370 0	352/ to 373/		375 3	356 0
Labourers—						
Surface ..	314 6	310 6	289/6 & 305/6		305 6	313 6
Underground ..	317 6	310 6	289/6 & 305/6		321 5	313 6
Miners—						
Machine ..	375 6	(a)	350/6 & 366/6		340/6 to 382/2	374 6
Manual—Dry Work	(b) 352 6	(b) 342 0	(b) 327/6 & 343/6		340 6	
Platmen or Banksmen	314/6 & 349/6	342 0				
Shiftmen—						
Dry Work ..	352 6	342 0	327/6 & 343/6		340 6	351 6
Wet Work ..	365 0	354 6	340/ & 356/			364 0
Shotfitters ..	385/ & 391/	380 0	360/ & 376/		380 5	384 0
Timbermen ..	352 6	354 6	327/6 & 343/6		340 6	351 6
Weightmen ..	319 0		353 6		382 6	
Wheelers ..	318/6 & 321/	323 6	293/6 & 309/6		324 3	317 6

(a) Piece-work rates. (b) Piece-work rates normally operate for these occupations but minimum weekly wage rates are as shown.

(1) 35 to 40 hours.

(2) 38½ hours.

SECTION IV.—continued.

GROUP VIII.—MINING—continued.

Industry and Occupation.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Queensland.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
<i>Gold and Other Mining (except Coal)—</i>						
Battery Feeders ..	305/ to 315/	273/ to 286/	291 6	1289 0	(a) 319 0	275/ to 295/
Bracemen ..	308/ to 318/	283/ to 296/	297/ & 302/6	1284 0	1326 11	285/ to 305/
Engine Drivers—						
Stationary ..	285/ to 321/	305/ to 326/	265/ to 329/		336/11 to 351/11	
Winding and Loco. ..	291/ to 330/	306/ to 346/	327/6 to 329/	1285 0	356/11 to 415/3	287/ to 307/
Firemen ..	280/6 to 297/	295/6 & 308/	298 6		321 6	
Labourers, Under-ground ..	300/ to 310/	278/ to 291/	291 6	1279 0	1315 3	280/ to 300/
Miners—						
Machine ..	319/ to 344/6	289/ to 322/	297/ & 305/2		1336/11 to 355/3	291/ to 311/
Manual—						
Dry Work ..	319/ to 332/	297/ to 322/	297 0	1291/ & 296/	1326/11 to 343/2	299/ to 325/
Wet Work ..	331/6 to 344/6	309/6 to 334/6	308 8	1298/6 & 303/6	1334/5 to 350/8	311/6 to 337/6
Platmen ..	308/ to 318/	283/ to 296/	297 0	1286 0	1326 11	285/ to 305/
Shaft Sinkers—						
Dry Work ..	322/ to 332/	303/ to 322/	297 0	1296 0	1343/2 to 355/3	305/ to 331/
Wet Work ..	334/6 to 344/6	315/6 to 334/6	308 8	1303 6	1350/8 to 362/9	317/6 to 343/6
Timbermen ..	320/ to 337/	300/ to 318/	305 2	1292/ & 297/	1343 2	302/ to 327/

(a) Excludes district allowances.

GROUP IX.—RAILWAY AND TRAMWAY SERVICES.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
<i>Railways—</i>						
Engine Drivers (Loco.)—						
Railmotor ..	348/ to 385/6	338/ to 375/6	391 0	330/ to 367/6	348/5 to 408/5	351/ to 388/6
Steam, Diesel Electric or Electric ..	393/ & 408/	383/ & 398/	391 0	375/ & 390/	348/5 to 408/5	396/ & 411/
Express, Mail or Passenger Shunting Engine ..	423 0 348/ & 363/	413 0 330/6 & 339/6	391 0 344/11 & 352/7	405 0 322/6 & 331/6	423 5 340/11 & 349/11	426 0 343/6 & 352/6
Firemen—						
Ordinary ..	310/6 & 325/6	300/6 & 315/6	321 0	292/6 & 307/6	227/5 to 333/5	313/6 & 328/6
Express, Mail or Passenger Shunting Engine ..	333 0 297/ to 306/6	323 0 281/6 to 296/6	321 0 314 10	315 0 273/6 to 288/6	333 5 291/11 to 306/11	336 0 294/6 to 309/6
Guards—						
1st Class ..	333/ to 351/	356 0	355 3	348 0	351 5	332/ to 354/
2nd Class ..	327 0	319/ to 341/	348 4	322/6 & 333/6	342 5	332/ to 354/
3rd Class, etc. ..			336 6	306/ & 315/	324/5 & 335/5	332/ to 354/
Porters ..	290/ to 296/	285/ to 300/6	299/4 & 303/3	272/ to 296/	287/5 to 306/11	297/6 to 336/
Shunters—						
Head ..	1385/6 to 411/		347/3 to 363/1	0 1	333/5 to 345/11	
Leading ..	1343/6 to 369/6	1333/6 to 371/6	318 1	325/6 & 332/6		345/ & 351/
Ordinary ..	1306/ to 327/	1296/ to 317/	315 1	315 0	306/11 & 313/5	309/ to 330/

(1) 37 hours.

(2) 37½ hours.

(3) 76 hours per fortnight.

SECTION IV.—continued.

GROUP IX.—RAILWAY AND TRAMWAY SERVICES—continued.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	<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>Railways—continued.</i>						
Signalmen—						
Special	1400 6	1379 6	345/10 & 358/8	348/ & 363/	361 5	..
1st Class	1389 6	1353 0	340 10	333 0	333 5	318/ to 339/
2nd Class	374 6	336 0	332 0	318 0	321 5	318/ to 339/
3rd Class	363 0	323 0	325 0	303 0	306 11	318/ to 339/
4th Class	346 0	311 0	319 3	296 0	293 5	318/ to 339/
<i>Tramways (Electric)—</i>						
Car Washers or						
Cleaners	294 0	286 0	276 7	276/ & 279/	281 5	301 0
Conductors—						
1st Year	298 0	286 0	286/ & 290/6	278 6	295/11 & 310/11	301 0
2nd Year	313 0	300 6	290/6 & 295/	293 6	310 11	315 6
3rd Year, etc. ..	313 0	300 6	295 0	293 6	310 11	315 6
Labourers	288 6	281 0	278 6	276/ & 279/	273 5	293 0
Track Repairers ..	296/ & 309/	289 0	273/ to 288/8	279/ & 282/	295 11	304 0
Tram Drivers	325 6	308 0	292/ to 301/	301 0	318 5	323 0
Overhead Linesmen—						
Leading	373 0	335/6 to 365/6	378 6	328 6	338/11 to 375/11	366 0
Other	350 6	320 6	358 6	313 6	330 11	351 0
Fitters	325 6	312 0	297/ & 316/6	296/ to 304/	310 11	327 0
Signalmen	333/ & 340/6	308/ & 318/	299/ & 303/6	303 6	..	..
Track Cleaners	288 6	286 0	279 0	276/ & 279/	273 5	301 0

GROUP X.—OTHER TRANSPORT.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	<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>Carrying—Merchandise—</i>						
Drivers of Motor Vehicles—						
25 cwt. or less ..	(a) 318 0	296 0	295 0	292 0	309 5	303 0
Over 25 cwt. to 3 tons ..	(b) 327/ & 336/	305 6	304 6	301 6	319 5	312 6
Over 3 tons but under 6 tons ..	340/6 to 349/6	315 0	314 0	311 0	329 5	322 0
Motor Driver's Assistants	318 0	274 0	277 0	270 0	287 5	281 0
Loaders	337 0	287 0	286 0	283 0	287 5	294 0
Sanitary Carters (3 tons)	431 0	325 6	324 6	321 6	359 5	332 6
<i>Lift Attendants—</i>						
Passenger	297 0	303 0	277/ & 279/	287 0	289 5	..

(a) 20 cwt. or less. (b) Over 20 cwt. to 3 tons.

(1) 76 hours per fortnight.

SECTION IV.—continued.

GROUP XI.—SHIPPING, WHARF LABOUR, ETC.

Industry and Occupation.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Queensland.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.
<i>Waterside Working—</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>
Wharf Labourers per hour (a)	10 4	10 4	10/4 to 10/9	10 4	10 4	10 4
<i>Passenger Vessels (Interstate) (b)—</i>	<i>£ s. d.</i>					
Bakers per month			56/13/0 to 63/5/6(c)			
Barmen .. "			56/13/0(d)			
Butchers .. "			58/5/6 to 62/0/6(c)			
Cooks—						
Chief .. "			67/5/6 to 71/0/6(c)			
Second .. "			61/0/6 to 64/18/0(c)			
Third .. "			56/13/0(c)			
Ships .. "			59/18/0(c)			
Pantrymen .. "			56/0/6 to 58/5/6(c)			
Scullerymen .. "			55/5/6(c)			
Stewards—						
Chief Saloon .. "			69/10/6 to 77/10/6(d)			
Second .. "			60/10/6(d)			
Second Saloon .. "			58/18/0(d)			
Fore Cabin .. "			58/5/6(d)			
Bedroom and Other .. "			55/5/6 to 56/0/6(d)			
<i>All Vessels (Interstate) c—</i>						
A.B. Seamen per month			59/8/0			
Boatswains .. "			60/8/0			
Donkeymen .. "			61/8/0			
Firemen .. "			60/8/0			
Greasers .. "			60/8/0			
Lamp Trimmers .. "			60/8/0			
Fuel Trimmers .. "			58/8/0			
<i>Marine Engineers b e f—</i>						
Chief per month		100 N.H.P. and under	94/1/6 to 100/19/0		Over 100 N.H.P.	104/14/0 to 152/4/0
Second .. "			80/19/0			80/19/0 to 104/14/0
Third .. "			74/1/6			74/1/6 to 89/14/0
Fourth .. "			..			66/13/0 to 82/4/0
Fifth and under .. "			..			65/8/0
<i>Merchant Service b f g—</i>						
Masters per month						
Officers—						
Chief .. "			77/18/0			94/14/0
Second .. "			70/8/0			87/4/0
Third .. "			..			78/9/0
4th, 5th and 6th .. "			..			65/8/0

(a) Rates of wage quoted are for casuals on other than special cargo. (b) Rates of wage quoted are in addition to victualling and accommodation, valued at £9 9s. 1d. a month. (c) Not more than 8 hours a day. (d) Not more than 8 hours a day within a spread of 15 consecutive hours when at sea, between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m. in terminal ports and between 6 a.m. and 5 p.m. in intermediate ports. (e) Minimum rates under the Commonwealth Award are classified according to nominal horsepower of vessels. (f) Ordinary lengths of duty in a day at sea or in port or partly at sea and partly in port shall be 8 hours. (g) Minimum rates under the Commonwealth Award are classified for interstate vessels and for vessels within a State according to tonnage; the lowest and highest classes for interstate passenger and cargo vessels are given here.

SECTION IV.—continued.

GROUP XII.—PASTORAL, AGRICULTURAL, ETC.

Industry and Occupation.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Queensland.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Chaffcutting—						
Feeders (Travelling plant) ..	313 0	308 9	..	289 9	354 7	..
Feeders (Stationary mill) ..	313 0	296 9	..	289 9	354 7	..
Farming—						
Harvesters ..	1403 0	..	..	..	279 4	1289 0
Milkers ..	1298 0	1293 0	..	..	279 4	1289 0
Gardening—						
Gardeners ..	325 6	291 0	281 0	278 0	294 11	297 0
Gardeners' Labourers ..	313 0	281 0	266 0	273 0	284 11	291 0
Nurserymen ..	333 0	288/6 & 299/	281 0	304 6	301 11	322 0
Nurserymen's Labourers ..	313 0	272 0	266 0	273 0	284 11	287 0
Pastoral Workers (a)—						
Cooks ..	645 3	645 3	659/2 & 680/2	645 3	645 3	645 3
Shearers—						
Hand .. per 100	165 3	165 3	159 3	165 3	165 3	165 3
Machine ..	153 9	153 9	159 3	153 9	153 9	153 9
Shed Hands ..	480 3	480 3	480 0	480 3	480 3	480 3
Wool Pressers ..	534 9	534 9	539 10	534 9	534 9	534 9
Rural Workers—						
Fruit Harvesters ..	1270/ to 279/	1268/ to 271/	..	1266/ to 271/	..	1275/ to 276/

(a) Shearers' and woolpressers' hours are 40 a week; shed hands' hours are the same as shearers', with such additional time as may be necessary to finish picking up fleeces, etc. Should the time engaged picking up, etc., exceed 30 minutes a day, all time thereafter must be paid as overtime. The hours of cooks are not regulated. Rates shown are "not found" rates. "Found" rates are £5 a week less, except in Queensland, where they are £4 8s. 2d. a week less.

GROUP XIII.—DOMESTIC, HOTELS, ETC.

NORG.—The rates of wage specified for employees in Hotels and Restaurants represent the weekly cash payment where board and lodging are *not* provided.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Hairdressing—						
Hairdressers (Men's) ..	333/ to 343/	328 0	303/ & 311/	333 6	323 5	319 0
Hotels—						
Barmen ..	308 0	300 0	262 0	298 6	323 5	305 0
Billiard Markers ..	288 0	280 0	270 0	261 0	278 5	285 0
Chefs ..	309/ to 383/	301/ to 375/	294/ & 300/	318/6 to 381/	308/5 to 318/5	306/ to 380/
Cooks—Second ..	310/6 to 339/	302/6 to 331/	285 0	290/ to 306/	292/11 to 298/5	307/6 to 336/
Cooks—Third ..	298 0	290 0	285 0	286 0	288 5	295 0
Handymen ..	288 0	280 0	270 0	259 6	278 5	285 0
Kitchenmen ..	288 0	280 0	272 6	261 0	278 5	285 0
Lift Attendants ..	288 0	280 0	277 0	287 0	278 5	285 0
Porters—Day Work ..	288 0	280 0	270 0	263 0	283 5	285 0
Porters—Night Work ..	288 0	280 0	277 0	263 0	288 5	285 0
Waiters—Head ..	308 0	300 0	275 0	281/ & 288/6	..	305 0
Waiters—Other ..	288 0	280 0	270 0	270 0	283 5	285 0
Restaurants—						
Cooks (Single) ..	332 0	301 0	299 6	283 6	298 5	302 0
Pantrymen ..	298 6	283 0	275 6	259 6	278 5	285 6
Waiters ..	298/6 & 301/	283 0	275 6	269 6	283 5	282 0

(1) 44 hours.

(2) 48 hours.

SECTION IV.—continued.

GROUP XIV.—MISCELLANEOUS AND GENERAL LABOUR.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
<i>Factory Engine Driving—</i>						
Engine Drivers (Stationary)—						
1st Class ..	320/6 & 331/	312/6 & 323/	319 0	308/6 & 319/	(a) 318 5	319/6 & 330/
2nd Class ..	310/ & 320/6	302/ & 312/6	308 6	298/ & 308/6	(a) 318 5	309/ & 319/6
3rd Class ..	..	..	296 0	..	(a) 308 5	..
<i>Firemen—</i>						
1st Class ..	313 0	305 0	288 6	301 0	(a) 308 5	312 0
2nd Class ..	300 6	292 6	288 6	288 6	(a) 296 5	299 6
Greasers ..	291/ & 309/	283/ & 301/	279 0	279/ & 297/	(a) 292 11	290/ & 308/
Trimmers ..	287 0	279 0	275 0	275 0	(a) 289 11	286 0
<i>Municipal—</i>						
Labourers ..	336 0	296 6	278 6	264 0	275 11	291 0
Street Sweepers ..	342 0	302 0	278 6	272/3 & 279/	275/11 to 286/11	291 0
<i>Shop and other Assistants—</i>						
Boot Salesmen ..	335 0	318 9	306 0	307 8	314 11	322 0
Chemists' Assistants ..	403 0	390 0	343 6	347 11	297/9 & 308/8	357 6
Clerks ..	325 0	327 0	306 0	302 0	333 5	338 0
Drapery Salesmen ..	335 0	318 9	306 0	307 8	314 11	322 0
Furniture Salesmen ..	335 0	322 9	306 0	307 8	314 11	336 0
Grocery Salesmen ..	335 0	318 9	306 0	302 7	314 11	322 0
Hardware Salesmen ..	335 0	318 9	306 0	307 8	314 11	322 0
Railway Bookstall Assistants ..	335 0	305 6	306 0	307 8	314 11	322 0
Tobacconists' Assts. ..	335 0	318 9	306 0	301 7	314 11	302 0
<i>Storemen — Packing, Cleaning, etc.—</i>						
Night Watchmen ..	299 0	283 0	281 0	279 0	317 5	..
Office Cleaners (Day) ..	301/ & 305/	283 0	278 0	256 0	298 5	291 0
Packers—General ..	313/ & 317/	306 6	293 0	292 0	309 11	303 0
Storemen—General ..	313/ & 317/	306 6	293 0	292 0	309 11	303 0
<i>Wholesale Grocery—</i>						
Packers ..	313 0	306/ & 309/6	293 0	92 0	309 11	303 0
Storemen ..	309 0	306/ & 309/6	293 0	292 0	309 11	303 0
<i>Wholesale Hardware—</i>						
Packers ..	313/ & 317/	306 6	293 0	292 0	309 11	303 0
Storemen ..	309/ & 313/	306 6	293 0	292 0	309 11	303 0

(a) Rates shown are those for the sawmilling industry.

SECTION V.

**MINIMUM RATES OF WAGE FOR ADULT FEMALE WORKERS IN THE MAIN
OCCUPATIONS IN THE CAPITAL CITY OF EACH STATE FOR A FULL
WEEK'S WORK (EXCLUDING OVERTIME) AT 31st DECEMBER, 1958.**

(See Explanatory Note at top of page 172.)

NOTE.—The hours of work (constituting a full week's work) for all occupations shown hereunder are 40 a week.

GROUP III.—FOOD, DRINK, TOBACCO, ETC.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	<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>Biscuit Making—</i>						
Adult Females ..	206 4	217 0	202 4	219 3	188 9	204 0
<i>Confectionery—</i>						
Adult Females ..	218 6	210 0	197 0	219 3	185 3	215 0
<i>Jam Making and Pre-</i>						
<i>serving—</i>						
Fillers ..	221 3	221 3	209 8	221 3	189 4	221 3
Other Adults ..	215 0	215 0	209 8	215 0		215 0
<i>Tea Packing—</i>						
Head Women ..	..	234 9	216/11 to 232/11	..	..	..
Other Adults ..	204 6	215 0	211 11	208 0	185 3	..
<i>Tobacco Working</i>						
<i>(Cigars)—</i>						
Ringers ..	215 6	197 0	181/6 to 197/	..	185 3	..
Wrapper Leaf Strippers	209/3 & 219/4	204 6	181/6 to 197/	..		..

GROUP IV.—CLOTHING, TEXTILES, ETC.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	<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>Bootmaking—</i>						
Machinists — Wax						
Thread ..	222/6 & 225/	222/6 & 225/	222/6 & 225/	222/6 & 225/	222/6 & 225/	222/6 & 225/
Other Adults ..	217 6	217 6	217 6	217 6	217 6	217 6
<i>Dressmaking—</i>						
Adult Females ..	201/6 to 236/6	201/6 to 236/6	201/6 to 236/6	201/6 to 236/6	201/6 to 236/6	201/6 to 236/6
<i>Dyeing and Cleaning—</i>						
Adult Females ..	201 6	201 6	201 6	201 6	201 6	201 6
<i>Hat Making (Straw)—</i>						
Finishers & Machinists	204 6	219 0	219 0	219 0	219 0	219 0
<i>Millinery—</i>						
Adult Females ..	201 6	201 6	201 6	201 6	201 6	201 6
<i>Shirt Making—</i>						
Adult Females ..	201 6	201 6	201 6	201 6	201 6	201 6
<i>Men's Tailoring (Order)—</i>						
Coat Hands (Machi-						
nists) ..	236 6	236 6	236 6	236 6	236 6	236 6
Trousers, Vest Hands	222 0	222 0	222 0	222 0	222 0	222 0
Tailoresses ..	257 6	257 6	257 6	257 6	257 6	257 6
Adult Females ..	201 6	201 6	201 6	201 6	201 6	201 6

SECTION V.—continued.

GROUP IV.—CLOTHING, TEXTILES, ETC.—continued.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	<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>Men's Tailoring (Ready Made)—</i>						
Coat Hands (Machinists) ..	225 0	225 0	225 0	225 0	225 0	225 0
Trousers, Vest Hands ..	219 0	219 0	219 0	219 0	219 0	219 0
Adult Females ..	201 6	201 6	201 6	201 6	201 6	201 6
<i>Textile Working (Woollen Mills)—</i>						
Comb Minders ..	215 6	215 6	202 6	210 6	215 6	215 6
Darners and Menders ..	217/6 & 220/6	217/6 & 220/6		212/6 & 215/6	217/6 & 220/6	217/6 & 220/6
Warpers, Plain ..	217 6	217 6		212 6	217 6	217 6
Weavers, Loom ..	220 6	220 6		215 6	220 6	220 6
Other Adults ..	199 6	199 6		194 6	199 6	199 6
<i>Underclothing—</i>						
Adult Females ..	201/6 to 236/6	201/6 to 236/6	201/6 to 236/6	201/6 to 236/6	201/6 to 236/6	201/6 to 236/6

GROUPS I., II., V. AND VI.—OTHER MANUFACTURING.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	<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>Bedding and Furniture—</i>						
Bedding Machinists ..	208 0	215 0	195 8	212 0	190 4	220 0
Picture Frame Workers ..	224/ & 327/	202 6	231/1 & 284/2	199 6	190 4	207 6
<i>Bookbinding—</i>						
Folders and Sewers ..	225 0	219 0	206 0	216 0	219 6	224 0
<i>Brushmaking—</i>						
Adult Females ..	214/6 & 224/6	203/ & 205/6	180 0	203/9 to 210/9	182 9	..
<i>Candle and Soap Making—</i>						
Adult Females ..	204 6	211 3	207 0	208 3	182 3	..
<i>Cardboard Box Making—</i>						
Box Makers ..	220/ to 229/6	214/ to 223/6	201/ to 210/6	211/ to 220/6	214/6 to 224/	219/ to 228/6
Other Adults ..	213 6	207 6	194 6	204 6	208 0	212 6
<i>Jewellery—</i>						
Chainmakers ..	343 0	213 0	218 6	239 2	..	..
Gilders ..	220 6		203 6	..	..	..
Polishers ..	220 6		203 6	233 0	..	..
Scratch Brushers ..	220 6		203 6	..	..	..
<i>Leather Goods—</i>						
Adult Females ..	221 0	215 0	202 0	212 0	193 9	220 0
<i>Paper Bag Making—</i>						
Adult Females ..	213/6 to 223/	207/6 to 217/	194/6 to 204/	204/6 to 214/	208/ to 217/6	212/6 to 222/
<i>Paper Making—</i>						
Adult Females ..	221 0	215 0	(a) 187 6	..	..	220 0
<i>Potteries—</i>						
Adult Females ..	210 6	200 6	192 6	205 11	177 9	..
<i>Printing—</i>						
Jobbing Office Assistants ..	225 0	219 0	206 0	216 0	219 6	224 0
Lithographic Feeders ..	225 0	219 0	206 0	216 0	219 6	224 0
<i>Rubber Working—</i>						
Adult Females ..	209 0	203 0	195 0	213 6	203 6	..
<i>Tent and Tarpaulin Making—</i>						
Machinists ..	221 0	215 0	202 0	212 0	182 9	220 0

(a) Paper board making.

SECTION V.—continued.

GROUP XIII.—DOMESTIC, HOTELS, ETC.

NOTE.—The rates of wage mentioned herein for employees in Hotels and Restaurants represent the weekly cash payment where board and lodging are not provided.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Hotels—						
Barnmaids ..	238 6	300 0	209 6		323 5	236 0
Housemaids ..	218 0	212 0	190 0	208 6	197 10	215 6
Laundresses ..	219 0	213 0	196 0	215 0	197 10	216 6
Waitresses—Head ..	225 0	219 0	195 0	213 6		222 6
.. Other ..	218 0	212 0	190 0	208 6	197 10	215 6
Laundries—						
General Hands ..	204 6	198 6		216 0		195 0
Machinists—Shirt and Collar ..	206 0	205 6		223 0		195 0
Sorters ..	206 0	198 6	186 0	223 0	185 3	195 0
Starchers ..	204 6	205 6		219 0		195 0
Washers ..	204 6	205/6 & 257/6		219/ & 253/6		206/ & 216/
Office Cleaning (Day)—						
Adult Females ..	213/6 & 215/6	266 6	204 0	192 0	202 9	
Restaurants—						
Pantry Maids ..	212 0	208 6	190 6	206 6	195 3	217 6
Waitresses ..	212 0	208 6		208 0	197 9	214 0

GROUP XIV.—SHOP ASSISTANTS, CLERKS, ETC.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Clerical—						
Cashiers (Shops) ..	244 0	243 9	216 6	226 6	219 9	231 0
Clerks ..	236 6	239 6	216 6	226 6	219 9	231 0
Ledger Machinists ..	244 0	245 3	224 0	236 6	225 9	238 0
Stenographers ..	244 0	245 3	216 6	236 6	225 9	238 0
Typists ..	236 6	245 3	216 6	236 6	219 9	231 0
Saleswomen—						
Boots and Shoes ..	244/ & 335/	226 0	211 0	230 9		219/6 & 289/10
Drapery ..	244/ & 335/	226/ & 318/9	211/ & 306/	230/9 & 307/8		219/6 & 289/10
Fruit and Confectionery	236 6	222 0	211 0	226 11	207 9	214 0
Newsagents and Book-stalls ..	236 6	208/3 & 214/9	211 0	230 9		219 6
Tobacconists ..	236 6	228 6	211 0	226 2		214 0

SECTION VI.

WEEKLY RATES OF WAGE AND HOURS OF LABOUR: AUSTRALIA, THE UNITED KINGDOM AND NEW ZEALAND.

(Wages are quoted in the currency of the country concerned.)

Industry and Occupation.	AUSTRALIA (SYDNEY).				UNITED KINGDOM (LONDON).				NEW ZEALAND (AUCKLAND).			
	31st December, 1938.		31st December, 1958.		31st December, 1938.		31st December, 1958.		31st December, 1938.		31st December, 1958.	
	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.
	s. d.		s. d.		s. d.		s. d.		s. d.		s. d.	
<i>Furniture—</i>												
Cabinet Maker	107 0	44	345 0	40	82 3	47	209 0	44	110 0	40	251 2	40
Upholsterer	107 0	44	345 0	40	82 3	47			110 0	40		
French Polisher	107 0	44	345 0	40	82 3	47			110 0	40		
<i>Sawmilling—</i>												
Machinist, Planing	91 0	44	311 0	40					103 4	40	259 7	40
	and		and									
	100 0		338 0									
Machinist, Shaping	105 0	44	338 0	40					103 4	40	259 7	40
Sawyer, Band or Jig	95 0	44	310 6	40					96 8	40	244 10	40
	to		to									
	108 0		343 0									
Sawyer, Circular	95 0	44	313 0	40					112 6	40	270 5	40
	to		and									
	102 0		335 0									
<i>Engineering and Metal Working—</i>												
Fitter and Turner	108 0	44	343 0	40	70 11	47	191 3½	44	110 0	40	260 10	40
	and											
	112 0											
Patternmaker	120 0	44	365 6	40	71 3	47			110 0	40	260 10	40
Moulder (Iron)	90 0	44	296 0	40	70 11	44	199 11½	44	110 0	40	256 8	40
	to		to									
	111 0		343 0									
Tinsmith	101 6	44	318 0	40					110 0	40	259 2	40
			and									
			343 0									
<i>Milling (Flour)—</i>												
Miller (shift)	97 0	44	347 6	40	71 0	42	235 6	40	(a) 99 4	40	(b) 269 10	40
	to		to		and							
	107 6		385 0		73 0							
Packerman	85 0	44	323 0	40					95 4	40	238 4	40

(a) Kilman. (b) Rollerman.

SECTION VI.—continued.

WEEKLY RATES OF WAGE AND HOURS OF LABOUR: AUSTRALIA, THE UNITED KINGDOM AND NEW ZEALAND—continued.

Industry and Occupation.	AUSTRALIA (SYDNEY).				UNITED KINGDOM (LONDON).				NEW ZEALAND (AUCKLAND).			
	31st December, 1938.		31st December, 1958.		31st December, 1938.		31st December, 1958.		31st December, 1938.		31st December, 1958.	
	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.
	<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>Bootmaking (Manufacturing)—</i>												
<i>Bootmaker</i>	104 0	44	317 0	40	51 6 to 58 0	45	170 0	45	91 8	40	247 10	40
<i>Tailoring (Ready-made)—</i>												
<i>Cutter</i>	101 0	44	336 0	40	..	..	..	..	102 6	40	244 10	40
<i>Presser (Coat)</i>	98 0	44	320 0	40	..	..	..	..	92 6	40	238 0	40
<i>Trimmer</i>	98 0	44	320 0	40	..	..	..	..	92 6	40	244 10	40
<i>Bookbinding—</i>												
<i>Bookbinder</i>	108 0	44	343 0	40	80 0	45	233 0	43½	107 6	40	259 7	40
<i>Paper Ruler</i>	108 0	44	343 0	40	80 0	45	233 0	43½	107 6	40	..	..
<i>Printing (Daily Newspaper)—</i>												
<i>Compositor (Day Work)</i>	131 0	44	433 0	40	89 0	45	..	..	107 6	40	259 7	40
<i>Reader (Day Work)</i>	139 6	44	398 0	40	..	..	..	..	112 6	40	268 5	40
<i>Printing (Jobbing Offices)—</i>												
<i>Compositor</i>	108 0 and 117 0	44	343 0 to 365 6	40	89 0	45	233 0	43½	107 6	40	259 7	40
<i>Linotype Operator (Day Work) ..</i>	117 0	44	365 6	40	..	..	..	..	115 0	40	269 5	40
<i>Building—</i>												
<i>Bricklayer</i>	121 0	44	376 8	40	77 0	44	209 0 and 210 10	44	115 0	40	256 1	40
<i>Carpenter</i>	121 0	44	385 0	40	77 0	44	209 0 and 210 10		112 6	40	254 6	40

SECTION VI.—continued.

WEEKLY RATES OF WAGE AND HOURS OF LABOUR: AUSTRALIA, THE UNITED KINGDOM AND NEW ZEALAND—continued.

Industry and Occupation.	AUSTRALIA (SYDNEY).				UNITED KINGDOM (LONDON).				NEW ZEALAND (AUCKLAND).			
	31st December, 1938.		31st December, 1958.		31st December, 1938.		31st December, 1958.		31st December, 1938.		31st December, 1958.	
	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.
<i>Building—continued.</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>	
Labourer—Carpenter's ..	87 0	44	318 4	40	57 9	44	185 2	44	93 4	40	230 1	40
Concrete Worker ..	87 0	44			(a)	(a)	and		93 4	40		
Earth Excavator ..	87 0	44			(a)	(a)	187 0		93 4	40		
Painter ..	114 4	44	372 6	40	73 4	44	209 0	44	110 0	40	251 2	40
Paperhanger ..	114 4	44	372 6	40	77 0	44			110 0	40	251 2	40
Plasterer ..	121 0	44	381 8	40	77 0	44			115 0	40	261 8	40
Plumber ..	125 0	44	389 3	40	77 0	44	210 10		110 0	40	265 3	40
<i>Tramways—</i>												
Conductor—												
1st year ..	87 0	44	298 0	40	73 0	48	188 0	44	95 10	40	230 1	40
2nd year ..	90 0	44	313 0	40			188 0				and	
3rd year, etc. ..	93 0	44	313 0	40			198 0				235 0	
Motorman—												
1st year ..	99 0	44	325 6	40	73 0	48	190 0	44	100 0	40	243 10	40
2nd year ..	99 0	44			to		190 0					
3rd year, etc. ..	99 0	44			82 0		202 0					
<i>Carrying (Merchandise)—</i>												
Motor Waggon Driver (2-4 tons)	92 0	44	327 0	40	60 0	48	168 0	44	93 0	40	231 3	40
			and		61 0							
<i>Municipal—Labourer ..</i>	94 6	44	336 0	40	58 8	47	184 2	44	90 0	40	240 0	40
					to							
					64 6							

(a) Not available.

SECTION VII.

COMMONWEALTH CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION COMMISSION.

BASIC WAGE INQUIRY, 1959.

As in 1958 this inquiry was originated by summons on behalf of several organizations of employees for the undermentioned variations of the current Metal Trades Award of the Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Commission; namely, by increasing the amounts of basic wage prescribed therein for respective cities, towns and localities to the figure they each would have reached had the quarterly adjustment system based on the "C" Series retail price index numbers been retained, plus an addition of 10s. to each basic wage, and by making provision for future adjustment of each of the new amounts at quarterly intervals by the application thereto of the same index numbers.

The inquiry opened on 24th February, 1959 before Kirby *C.J.*, Foster and Gallagher *JJ.*, and the judgment was delivered on 5th June, 1959.

The following is an extract from a statement made by Kirby *C.J.* on 5th June, 1959 on behalf of the three members of the bench:—

"The questions for decision by the Commission may be described in these terms:—

1. Should the basic wage in the Pastoral Award 1956 be reduced by 25s. or at all?
2. Should the system of automatic quarterly adjustments be restored?
3. Should there be an increase in the basic wage?
4. If so, of what amount?

On the first question, namely, whether the basic wage in the Pastoral Award 1956 should be reduced, the Commission was unanimous that the claim for a reduction should be refused. On the second question, namely, whether the system of automatic quarterly adjustments should be restored, the members of the Commission were divided in opinion and therefore the question pursuant to section 68 has been decided according to the decision of the majority.

The majority decision on this question, namely, that of the President and Mr. Justice Gallagher is that the claim of the unions for restoration of the said system should be refused. Mr. Justice Foster dissents. The result is that the said system will not be restored.

On the third question, namely, whether there should be an increase in the basic wage, the members of the Commission were unanimous in the opinion that there should be an increase.

On the fourth question, namely, the amount of the increase, the members of the Commission were divided in opinion in this manner:—

The President Mr. Justice Kirby was of opinion that the increase should be one of 15s. added to each basic wage for adult males in the awards concerned and that the increased basic wage should become payable as from the beginning of the first pay-period commencing on or after 11th June, 1959.

Mr. Justice Foster was of opinion that the increase should be 20s., payable as to 10s. as from the first pay-period in July, 1959 and as to the balance by increases of 2s. 6d. for four quarters commencing 1st January, 1960.

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Mr. Justice Gallagher was of opinion that the increase should be one of 10s. and that the increased wage should become payable as from the date chosen by the President.

Mr. Justice Foster while holding his opinion has decided to concur in the decision proposed by the President, namely, that the amount of the increase of the basic wage should be 15s. per week, which now therefore becomes the decision of the Commission.

Summarizing the foregoing the decisions of the Commission are:—

1. The claim for a reduction of the basic wage in the Pastoral Award is refused.
2. The claim for restoration of automatic quarterly adjustments is refused.
3. The basic wages of adult male employees covered by federal awards will be increased by a uniform amount of 15s. per week.
4. The new rates will come into effect from the beginning of the first pay-period commencing on or after 11th June instant subject to special cases.

The decision regarding basic wages is applicable to all the applications which from time to time have been ordered by the Commission to be joined for hearing and decision with the original application.

In the Metal Trades Award and in awards generally the basic wage for adult females is prescribed at 75 per cent. of the basic wage for adult males. The result of the increase of the basic wage for adult males by 15s. per week will be to increase the basic wage for adult females in these awards to 75 per cent. of the new basic wage for adult males.

In those awards which do not contain such a provision but which prescribe basic wages for adult females of a stated amount equal to 75 per cent. of that for adult males the rate will be re-calculated to give effect to this decision.

In the Metal Trades and in many other awards the rates for juniors and apprentices of both sexes are prescribed at a percentage of the basic wage for adults in which cases the existing provisions of the awards will cover proportionate increases for such juniors and apprentices. In awards which do not contain such provisions applications may be made to the Commission and will be dealt with by the appropriate member of the Commission."

SECTION VIII.

BASIC WAGE RATES—1923 TO 1959.

(Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Commission(a).)

The following table shows the basic weekly wage rates prescribed for adult males under periodical decisions of the Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Commission, including automatic variations made prior to 12th September, 1953 in accordance with quarterly changes in the retail price index for the city or combination of cities shown at the head of the table. On that date the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration announced its decision to discontinue the system of automatic adjustment of the basic wage in accordance with variations occurring in retail price index numbers. The amount *legally* payable in any specific instance must be determined by reference to the appropriate award.

- (1) The rates of wage shown include "Powers 3s." (or the equivalent thereof) and "Prosperity" loadings, where applicable.
- (2) The 10 per cent. reduction operative from February, 1931, to May, 1934, has been applied.
- (3) Generally the rates operated from the beginning of the first pay-period commencing in the month indicated.

Date Operative.	Sydney.	Mel-bourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.	Six Capitals.
	<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>
1923—							
February ..	82 6	82 0	73 0	78 0	73 6	81 6	80 6
May ..	"	81 6	73 6	79 6	74 0	83 0	"
August ..	86 6	87 6	75 0	84 0	79 6	87 6	85 0
November ..	89 0	91 6	76 0	85 6	78 0	89 0	87 6
1924—							
February ..	87 0	87 6	77 6	84 0	76 0	89 6	85 0
May ..	86 0	85 6	77 0	"	78 0	"	84 6
August ..	85 6	85 0	75 0	85 6	78 6	88 6	84 0
November ..	84 6	84 6	"	84 0	79 0	88 0	83 0
1925—							
February ..	85 0	84 0	74 0	83 6	79 6	87 0	83 6
May ..	86 0	85 6	75 0	85 0	81 0	"	84 6
August ..	87 0	87 0	76 6	87 6	82 6	"	85 6
November ..	88 0	87 6	77 0	86 0	81 0	85 6	86 0
1926—							
February ..	89 6	"	78 6	85 6	77 6	86 0	86 6
May ..	90 6	88 6	82 0	86 6	81 6	89 0	88 0
August ..	92 6	92 0	"	89 6	84 0	"	90 6
November ..	91 6	89 0	82 6	85 6	81 6	88 6	88 6
1927—							
February ..	"	88 6	83 0	84 6	80 0	87 0	88 0
May ..	90 6	87 6	80 6	86 0	"	86 6	87 6
August ..	89 6	87 0	78 6	"	80 6	85 6	86 6
November ..	90 6	90 0	79 6	88 0	79 6	85 0	88 0
1928—							
February ..	93 0	89 6	80 6	87 0	80 0	84 0	89 0
May ..	91 6	88 0	79 6	87 6	"	82 6	88 0
August ..	92 0	87 6	"	"	84 0	83 0	"
November ..	90 6	86 0	79 0	85 0	85 0	82 6	87 0
1929—							
February ..	91 0	"	80 0	84 0	"	83 0	"
May ..	95 0	89 6	81 6	88 0	86 0	86 0	90 6
August ..	94 6	90 0	80 6	88 6	86 6	85 6	"
November ..	95 0	"	"	"	85 6	86 0	"

(a) Prior to 30th June, 1956, Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration.

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Date Operative.	Sydney.	Mel- bourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.	Six Capitals.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
1930—							
February ..	95 6	90 0	81 0	87 0	83 6	86 6	90 6
May ..	92 0	86 0	77 6	84 0	82 6	84 0	87 0
August ..	91 0	85 6	73 0	82 6	82 0	"	86 0
November ..	88 0	83 0	70 6	78 0	79 0	82 0	83 0
1931—							
*February ..	76 6	70 2	60 9	66 2	66 2	70 2	71 1
May ..	74 3	68 5	"	64 4	66 7	68 10	69 4
August ..	72 11	65 8	60 4	62 1	65 8	67 1	67 6
November ..	70 8	63 5	58 6	58 1	62 1	64 4	65 3
1932—							
February ..	68 10	"	"	"	60 9	64 10	64 4
May ..	"	63 11	"	58 11	61 8	65 3	64 10
August ..	68 5	63 0	57 7	58 6	"	65 8	63 11
November ..	67 6	61 8	56 8	57 2	59 5	64 4	63 0
1933—							
February ..	66 7	60 4	55 10	55 4	58 1	63 5	61 8
May ..	67 10	63 4	59 4	59 2	59 9	64 10	64 2
August ..	66 11	62 5	58 10	"	58 10	63 10	63 4
November ..	"	62 10	59 4	59 7	60 3	63 11	"
1934—							
February ..	"	63 4	"	60 2	59 3	64 10	63 9
*May ..	67 0	64 0	61 0	†64 0	66 0	†67 0	65 0
June ..	68 0	"	62 0	†65 0	"	†	66 0
September ..	"	"	"	†	68 0	†	"
December ..	"	"	"	†	"	†	"
1935—							
March ..	"	66 0	"	†	"	†69 0	"
June ..	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
September ..	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
December ..	70 0	"	64 0	67 0	"	"	68 0
1936—							
March ..	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
June ..	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
September ..	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
December ..	"	69 0	66 0	69 0	71 0	"	"
1937—							
March ..	"	"	"	"	"	"	70 0
June ..	72 0	"	68 0	"	"	"	"
*July ..	75 0	72 0	71 0	70 0	72 0	72 0	73 0
September ..	"	73 0	70 0	71 0	73 0	73 0	"
*October ..	78 0	76 0	73 0	73 0	75 0	75 0	75 0
December ..	"	77 0	74 0	74 0	"	"	76 0
1938—							
March ..	79 0	"	"	75 0	74 0	76 0	77 0
June ..	"	"	75 0	"	75 0	"	"
September ..	80 0	78 0	"	76 0	76 0	"	"
December ..	81 0	79 0	"	"	"	"	78 0
1939—							
March ..	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
June ..	82 0	81 0	77 0	78 0	77 0	77 0	79 0
September ..	81 0	"	76 0	"	"	"	"
December ..	82 0	80 0	"	77 0	"	"	"
1940—							
February ..	"	81 0	77 0	"	"	78 0	80 0
May ..	83 0	82 0	78 0	78 0	"	"	"
August ..	85 0	84 0	79 0	80 0	79 0	80 0	82 0
November ..	"	"	"	"	80 0	81 0	83 0

* Rates declared subsequent to an inquiry. † Except in special cases these rates were subject to graduated deductions so that the increase granted in May, 1934, was, in effect, introduced in stages over the succeeding twelve months.

SECTION VIII.—continued.

Date Operative.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.	Six Capitals.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
1941—							
February ..	88 0	86 0	82 0	82 0	81 0	83 0	85 0
May ..	"	87 0	83 0	83 0	82 0	84 0	86 0
August ..	89 0	"	"	"	84 0	85 0	"
November ..	"	88 0	84 0	84 0	85 0	"	87 0
1942—							
February ..	91 0	89 0	86 0	86 0	86 0	87 0	88 0
May ..	93 0	92 0	88 0	88 0	87 0	88 0	90 0
August ..	95 0	94 0	89 0	91 0	89 0	91 0	93 0
November ..	97 0	97 0	91 0	93 0	91 0	92 0	95 0
1943—							
February ..	98 0	98 0	"	"	92 0	94 0	96 0
May ..	"	"	92 0	"	"	"	"
August ..	100 0	99 0	94 0	94 0	94 0	95 0	98 0
November ..	99 0	98 0	93 0	"	"	"	97 0
1944—							
February ..	"	97 0	"	93 0	93 0	94 0	96 0
May ..	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
August ..	"	98 0	"	"	"	93 0	"
November ..	"	"	"	"	94 0	94 0	"
1945—							
February ..	"	"	"	"	93 0	"	"
May ..	98 0	"	"	"	"	93 0	"
August ..	"	"	"	"	94 0	"	"
November ..	99 0	"	"	"	"	94 0	"
1946—							
February ..	"	"	"	94 0	"	95 0	"
May ..	"	"	94 0	"	"	"	97 0
August ..	100 0	99 0	"	95 0	95 0	96 0	98 0
November ..	101 0	"	"	"	"	97 0	"
*December ..	108 0	106 0	101 0	102 0	102 0	103 0	105 0
1947—							
February ..	"	107 0	103 0	"	103 0	104 0	106 0
May ..	110 0	"	104 0	103 0	"	"	"
August ..	"	108 0	"	104 0	104 0	105 0	107 0
November ..	112 0	109 0	105 0	106 0	106 0	107 0	109 0
1948—							
February ..	114 0	113 0	107 0	108 0	107 0	110 0	111 0
May ..	116 0	115 0	110 0	111 0	110 0	112 0	114 0
August ..	120 0	117 0	113 0	114 0	112 0	115 0	116 0
November ..	122 0	120 0	115 0	116 0	116 0	118 0	119 0
1949—							
February ..	124 0	123 0	118 0	119 0	118 0	121 0	122 0
May ..	127 0	125 0	119 0	121 0	120 0	124 0	124 0
August ..	130 0	128 0	122 0	124 0	126 0	127 0	127 0
November ..	132 0	130 0	125 0	126 0	129 0	128 0	129 0
1950—							
February ..	135 0	134 0	127 0	129 0	131 0	131 0	133 0
May ..	138 0	137 0	129 0	131 0	133 0	"	135 0
August ..	142 0	140 0	132 0	134 0	136 0	135 0	138 0
November ..	146 0	143 0	135 0	137 0	139 0	139 0	142 0
*December ..	165 0	162 0	154 0	158 0	160 0	160 0	162 0
1951—							
February ..	173 0	170 0	159 0	166 0	166 0	165 0	169 0
May ..	180 0	177 0	166 0	171 0	176 0	173 0	176 0
August ..	193 0	189 0	175 0	184 0	188 0	187 0	189 0
November ..	207 0	199 0	185 0	195 0	197 0	199 0	200 0

* Rates declared subsequent to an inquiry.

SECTION VIII.—*continued.*

Date Operative.	Sydney.	Mel- bourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.	Six Capitals.
	<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>
1952—							
February ..	216 0	209 0	199 0	205 0	205 0	208 0	210 0
May ..	223 0	212 0	207 0	211 0	214 0	214 0	216 0
August ..	235 0	224 0	213 0	224 0	222 0	222 0	227 0
November ..	237 0	228 0	216 0	229 0	228 0	230 0	231 0
1953—							
February ..	238 0	229 0	215 0	225 0	229 0	232 0	231 0
May ..	241 0	232 0	217 0	228 0	231 0	239 0	234 0
† August ..	243 0	235 0	218 0	231 0	236 0	242 0	236 0
1956—							
* June ..	253 0	245 0	228 0	241 0	246 0	252 0	246 0
1957—							
* May ..	263 0	255 0	238 0	251 0	256 0	262 0	256 0
1958—							
* May ..	268 0	260 0	243 0	256 0	261 0	267 0	261 0
1959—							
*† June ..	283 0	275 0	258 0	271 0	276 0	282 0	276 0

* Rates declared subsequent to an inquiry.

† Automatic quarterly adjustments discontinued.

‡ As a result of the 1959 Basic Wage Inquiry. See p. 192.

SECTION IX.

COMPARATIVE INDEX NUMBERS FOR THE SIX CAPITAL CITIES COMBINED.

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

Period.	Retail Price Index Numbers.					Nominal Wage Rates, Adult Males.	Real Wage Rates.(b)(d)
	Food and Groceries.(b)	Rent (4 and 5 Roomed Houses).(c)	Clothing.	Miscellaneous.	Total "C" Series Retail Price Index.(b)		
Year.							
1911 ..	1,000	1,000	(e) 1,000	(e) 1,000	(e) 1,000	1,000	1,000
1914 ..	1,144	1,082	1,140	1,140	1,140	1,081	948
1921 ..	1,902	1,410	1,883	1,537	1,680	1,826	1,087
1928 ..	1,761	1,743	1,507	1,537	1,675	1,963	1,172
1932 ..	1,425	1,336	1,215	1,458	1,377	1,639	1,190
1938 ..	1,584	1,540	1,253	1,463	1,488	1,799	1,209
1939 ..	1,657	1,577	1,271	1,465	1,526	1,846	1,210
1947 ..	1,967	1,597	2,367	1,825	1,971	2,598	1,318
1948 ..	2,245	1,601	2,637	1,913	2,148	2,914	1,357
1949 ..	2,492	1,605	3,019	2,037	2,349	3,210	1,367
1950 ..	2,800	1,613	3,455	2,184	2,589	3,596	1,389
1951 ..	3,649	1,649	4,156	2,555	3,124	4,495	1,439
1952 ..	4,516	1,728	4,657	2,980	3,645	5,241	1,438
1953 ..	4,723	1,861	4,872	3,126	3,820	5,539	1,450
1954 ..	4,776	1,949	4,865	3,139	3,860	5,632	1,459
1955 ..	5,027	2,005	4,894	3,168	3,970	5,773	1,454
1956 ..	A 5,227 B 5,514	2,166	4,930	3,403	A 4,130 B 4,226	(f) 6,050	A 1,465 B 1,432
1957 ..	5,315 5,311	2,256	5,075	3,611	4,259 4,257	(f) 6,261	1,470 1,471
1958 ..	5,402 5,352	2,386	5,167	3,690	4,357 4,340	6,361	1,460 1,466
Quarter—							
1951.							
December ..	4,133	1,656	4,429	2,731	3,388	4,850	1,432
1952.							
March ..	4,298	1,672	4,523	2,783	3,481	5,036	1,447
June ..	4,589	1,702	4,685	2,967	3,661	5,156	1,408
September ..	4,633	1,750	4,709	3,072	3,714	5,345	1,439
December ..	4,544	1,789	4,712	3,098	3,722	5,428	1,458
1953.							
March ..	4,599	1,835	4,838	3,118	3,763	5,443	1,446
June ..	4,658	1,857	4,906	3,122	3,805	5,512	1,449
September ..	4,804	1,870	4,880	3,127	3,851	5,591	1,452
December ..	4,831	1,882	4,863	3,136	3,861	5,611	1,453
1954.							
March ..	4,798	1,900	4,880	3,151	3,861	5,622	1,456
June ..	4,774	1,947	4,856	3,137	3,856	5,624	1,459
September ..	4,746	1,970	4,853	3,133	3,851	5,623	1,460
December ..	4,787	1,977	4,870	3,136	3,871	5,658	1,462
1955.							
March ..	4,882	1,983	4,865	3,115	3,898	5,720	1,467
June ..	4,952	1,997	4,898	3,151	3,941	5,746	1,458
1956.							
September ..	A 5,024 B 5,103	2,014	4,903	3,168	A 3,973 B 4,001	5,774	A 1,453 B 1,443
December ..	5,061 5,169	2,025	4,910	3,239	4,004 4,041	5,853	1,462 1,448
1957.							
March ..	5,098	2,232	4,903	3,253	4,044	4,090 (f) 5,895	1,458 1,441
June ..	5,225	2,461	4,910	3,367	4,115	4,195 (f) 6,013	1,461 1,433
September ..	5,302	2,580	4,928	3,460	4,167	4,334 (f) 6,090	1,461 1,405
December ..	5,282	2,562	4,977	3,532	4,192	4,286 (f) 6,201	1,479 1,447
1958.							
March ..	5,315	2,331	5,024	3,556	4,226	4,231 (f) 6,193	1,465 1,464
June ..	5,322	2,359	5,070	3,605	4,256	4,268 (f) 6,270	1,473 1,469
September ..	5,340	2,319	5,087	3,634	4,278	4,271 (f) 6,290	1,470 1,473
December ..	5,284	2,234	5,119	3,649	4,275	4,256 (f) 6,292	1,472 1,478
1959.							
March ..	5,385	2,343	5,129	3,652	4,316	4,301	6,290 1,457 1,462
June ..	5,396	2,379	5,176	3,653	4,348	4,326	6,366 1,464 1,472
September ..	5,395	2,414	5,179	3,688	4,364	4,341	6,391 1,464 1,472
December ..	5,431	2,444	5,184	3,768	4,401	4,391	6,396 1,453 1,457

(a) The index numbers given in the separate columns of the table cannot be compared with each other in order to show, for example, the relative cost of food and groceries and rent, since the cost in 1911 in each group or combination of groups is made equal to 1,000. (b) The index in column "A" excludes, and that in column "B" includes, the price movement of potatoes and onions. (c) See note (c) on page 21.

(d) Index of nominal weekly wage rates divided by "C" Series Retail Price Index Number. (e) Taken back from November, 1914 by means of the Food and Rent (All Houses) Index. (f) Partly estimated.

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