

APPENDIX.

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

CHAPTER III.—GENERAL GOVERNMENT.

§ 2. Parliaments and Elections.

Commonwealth Elections, p. 60.—Particulars of the electors enrolled, and of those who voted for the election of the eighteenth Parliament on 28th September, 1946, are shown below. As all electorates were contested, the numbers enrolled and who voted were the same for the Senate and the House of Representatives.

COMMONWEALTH ELECTIONS.

Date.	Electors Enrolled.			Electors Who Voted.			Percentage of Electors who Voted.		
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Fe-males.	Total.
28.9.1946 ..	2,314,193	2,425,660	4,739,853	2,199,860	2,254,081	4,453,941	95.06	92.93	93.97

Commonwealth Referenda, p. 61.—On 28th September, 1946, concurrently with the voting in the general election, the proposals to alter the Commonwealth Constitution to provide the Commonwealth Parliament with power to legislate on Social Services, Marketing of Primary Products and Industrial Employment were voted on. One proposal only, that on Social Services, secured the majority of votes in a majority of States which is necessary for the amendment of the Constitution. Particulars of the voting in each State are shown below :—

SOCIAL SERVICES, ORGANIZED MARKETING OF PRIMARY PRODUCTS AND INDUSTRIAL EMPLOYMENT REFERENDUM, 28th SEPTEMBER, 1946.

State.	Social Services.			Organized Marketing of Primary Products.			Industrial Employment.			Total.
	Yes.	No.	In-formal.	Yes.	No.	In-formal.	Yes.	No.	In-formal.	
N.S. Wales ..	897,887	764,723	94,540	855,233	794,852	107,065	833,822	778,280	145,048	1,757,150
Victoria ..	671,967	528,452	60,955	624,343	567,860	69,171	609,355	560,773	91,246	1,261,374
Queensland ..	299,205	284,465	28,500	251,672	323,678	36,820	243,242	316,970	51,958	612,170
S. Australia ..	197,395	184,172	17,734	183,674	193,201	22,426	179,153	192,516	27,632	399,301
W. Australia ..	164,517	99,412	15,637	145,781	113,562	19,723	142,186	112,881	23,999	279,066
Tasmania ..	67,463	65,924	11,493	55,561	75,018	14,301	52,517	74,440	17,923	144,880
Total ..	2,297,934	1,927,148	228,859	2,116,264	2,068,171	269,506	2,060,275	2,035,860	357,806	4,453,941

§ 3. Administration and Legislation.

The Commonwealth Parliaments, p. 67.—The present Commonwealth Parliament is the eighteenth. Particulars of the dates of opening and dissolution of the seventeenth Parliament and of opening of the eighteenth Parliament are as follows :—

COMMONWEALTH PARLIAMENTS.

Number of Parliament.	Date of Opening.	Date of Dissolution.
Seventeenth	23rd September, 1943	16th August, 1946
Eighteenth	6th November, 1946	..

Governors-General and Ministries, p. 68.—Recent changes in the Commonwealth Governor-Generalship and Ministry are as follows :—

(a) GOVERNORS-GENERAL.

His Royal Highness PRINCE HENRY WILLIAM FREDERICK ALBERT, DUKE OF GLOUCESTER, EARL OF ULSTER AND BARON CULLODEN, K.G., K.T., K.P., P.C., G.M.B., G.C.M.G., G.C.V.O., General in the Army, Air Chief Marshal in the Royal Air Force, One of His Majesty's Personal Aides-de-Camp. From 30th January, 1945 to 11th March, 1947.

Major-General Sir WINSTON JOSEPH DUGAN, G.C.M.G., C.B., D.S.O. From 18th January, 1947 to 11th March, 1947. (Acting.)

Hon. W. J. McKELL. From 11th March, 1947.

(b) MINISTRIES.

(xxvi) CHIFLEY MINISTRY, 13th July, 1945 to 1st November, 1946.

(xxvii) CHIFLEY MINISTRY, 1st November, 1946.

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

(The State from which each Minister comes is added in parentheses.)

DEPARTMENTS.	MINISTERS.
<i>Prime Minister and Treasurer</i>	<i>Rt. Hon. J. B. Chifley (N.S.W.)</i>
<i>Attorney-General and Minister for External Affairs</i>	<i>Rt. Hon. H. V. Evatt, LL.D., D.Litt., K.C. (N.S.W.)</i>
<i>Minister for Labour and National Service</i> ..	<i>Hon. E. J. Holloway (Vic.)</i>
<i>Minister for Air and Minister for Civil Aviation</i>	<i>Hon. A. S. Drakeford (Vic.)</i>
<i>Vice-President of the Executive Council</i> ..	<i>Hon. W. J. Scully (N.S.W.)</i>
<i>Minister for Supply and Shipping</i>	<i>Senator The Hon. W. P. Ashley (N.S.W.)</i>
<i>Minister for Defence, Minister for Post-war Reconstruction, and Minister in charge of the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research</i>	<i>Hon. J. J. Dedman (Vic.)</i>
<i>Minister for Transport and Minister for External Territories</i>	<i>Hon. E. J. Ward (N.S.W.)</i>
<i>Postmaster-General</i>	<i>Senator The Hon. D. Cameron (Vic.)</i>
<i>Minister for Information and Minister for Immigration</i>	<i>Hon. A. A. Calwell (Vic.)</i>
<i>Minister for the Interior</i>	<i>Hon. H. V. Johnson (W.A.)</i>
<i>Minister for Health and Minister for Social Services</i>	<i>Senator The Hon. N. E. McKenna (Tas.)</i>

<i>Minister for Commerce and Agriculture</i> ..	<i>Hon. R. T. Pollard (Vic.)</i>
<i>Minister for Works and Housing</i> ..	<i>Hon. N. Lemmon (W.A.)</i>
<i>Minister for Munitions</i> ..	<i>Senator The Hon. J. I. Armstrong (N.S.W.)</i>
<i>Minister for the Army</i> ..	<i>Hon. C. Chambers (S.A.)</i>
<i>Minister for Trade and Customs</i> ..	<i>Senator The Hon. B. Courtice (Vic.)</i>
<i>Minister for the Navy</i> ..	<i>Hon. W. J. F. Riordan (Qld.)</i>
<i>Minister for Repatriation</i> ..	<i>Hon. H. C. Barnard (Tas.)</i>

STATE MINISTRIES, pp. 69 and 71.—Recent changes in the New South Wales and Tasmanian Ministries are as follows:—

NEW SOUTH WALES (6th February, 1947).

<i>Premier, Colonial Treasurer and Minister for Agriculture—</i>	<i>Minister of Justice and Vice-President of the Executive Council—</i>
THE HON. J. MCGIRR.	THE HON. R. R. DOWNING, M.L.C.
<i>Colonial Secretary and Minister for Mines—</i>	<i>Secretary for Public Works and Minister for Local Government—</i>
THE HON. J. M. BADDELEY.	THE HON. J. J. CAHILL.
<i>Minister for Housing—</i>	<i>Minister for Health—</i>
THE HON. C. R. EVATT, K.C.	THE HON. C. A. KELLY.
<i>Minister for Education—</i>	<i>Minister for Transport—</i>
THE HON. R. J. HEFFRON.	THE HON. M. O'SULLIVAN.
<i>Attorney-General—</i>	<i>Assistant Minister—</i>
THE HON. C. E. MARTIN.	THE HON. W. E. DICKSON, M.L.C.
<i>Secretary for Lands—</i>	<i>Minister for Conservation—</i>
THE HON. W. F. DUNN.	THE HON. G. WEIR.
<i>Minister for Labour and Industry and Minister for Social Welfare—</i>	<i>Minister for Tourist Activities and Immigration—</i>
THE HON. HAMILTON KNIGHT.	THE HON. F. J. FINNAN.

TASMANIA (10th December, 1946).

<i>Premier and Treasurer and Minister Administering Hydro-Electric Commission Act—</i>	<i>Minister for Education, Minister for Transport and Minister controlling the Tourist and Immigration Department—</i>
THE HON. R. COSGROVE.	THE HON. E. R. A. HOWROYD.
<i>Minister for Lands and Works—</i>	<i>Honorary Ministers—</i>
THE HON. E. BROOKER.	THE HON. J. McDONALD, M.L.C.
<i>Chief Secretary and Minister for Health—</i>	(Minister for Mines).
THE HON. A. J. WHITE.	THE HON. R. L. WORSELY, M.L.C.
<i>Attorney-General—</i>	(Minister for Forests).
THE HON. R. F. FAGAN.	THE HON. E. E. REECE.
<i>Minister for Agriculture and Fisheries—</i>	(Minister for Housing).
THE HON. J. L. MADDEN.	

CHAPTER IV.—LAND TENURE AND SETTLEMENT.

§ 8. Settlement of Returned Soldiers and Sailors, p. 95.

1. **War Service Land Settlement Scheme.**—(i) *General.* At a Conference of Commonwealth and State Ministers in Canberra on 22nd August, 1945, certain proposals regarding the settlement on the land of discharged members of the Forces and other eligible persons were agreed on, and on 11th October, 1945 the War Service Land Settlement Agreements Act 1945, authorizing the execution by or on behalf of the Commonwealth of agreements between the Commonwealth and States, was assented to. In each State the proposals agreed to on 22nd August, 1945 were ratified by State legislation, and agreements between the Commonwealth and the individual States were signed during November, 1945.

The execution of agreements between the Commonwealth and New South Wales, Victoria and Queensland are substantially in accordance with the form contained in the first schedule of the Act, whereby each State (i) provides the capital required to acquire, develop and improve land for settlement and to make advances to settlers, (ii) makes a capital contribution in respect of each holding of an amount equal to one half of the excess of the total cost involved in acquiring, developing and improving the holding over the sum of valuations of the land and improvements, and (iii) bears the cost of State administration, one half of the cost involved in the remission of rent and interest during "the assistance period" and one half of any losses incurred by the State on advances made to settlers to provide working capital, to pay for and effect improvements, and to acquire stock, plant and equipment. The Commonwealth, in addition to bearing the cost of the other half of each of the liabilities of which the State bears half, also bears the cost of payment to each settler of a living allowance during the first year after allotment.

In the agreements with South Australia, Western Australia and Tasmania under the conditions of the second schedule of the Act, the States are to administer the scheme on behalf of the Commonwealth, which accepts responsibility for policy decisions and exercises general supervision. Each State bears the cost of State administration, and makes a capital contribution in respect of each holding equal to two-fifths of the excess of the total cost involved in acquiring, developing and improving the holding over the sum of valuations of land and improvements. The Commonwealth is responsible for a capital contribution of the remaining three-fifths of this excess cost, and for all the other items of expenditure connected with the scheme.

Land shall not be acquired at a cost in excess of the values ruling as at 10th February, 1942. Valuations are made by officers appointed by the Commonwealth and State, and regard is paid to the need for the proceeds of the holding to be sufficient to provide a reasonable living for the settler after meeting certain financial commitments. A condition of the agreements with South Australia, Western Australia and Tasmania, requires that holdings in those States be allotted on perpetual leasehold tenure, the general terms and conditions of lease to be approved by the Commonwealth. New South Wales and Queensland have voluntarily adopted this type of tenure.

(ii) *Principles of Operation.* The principles under which the Land Settlement Scheme operates are as follows:—

- (a) Settlement is to be undertaken only where economic prospects are reasonably sound; and the number of eligible persons to be settled is to be determined by the opportunities for settlement and not by the number of applicants;
- (b) Applicants are not to be selected as settlers unless satisfying a competent authority as to their eligibility, suitability, and qualifications for settlement under the scheme and their experience of farm work.
- (c) Holdings are to be of a size sufficient to enable settlers to operate efficiently and to earn a reasonable labour income;
- (d) A suitable eligible person is not to be precluded by reason only of lack of capital, but a settler is expected to invest in the holding a reasonable proportion of his own financial and other resources;
- (e) Adequate guidance and technical advice is to be made available to settlers through agricultural extension services.

(iii) *Method of Operation.* Detailed information regarding land selected by the State as suitable for settlement is submitted to the Commonwealth. After approval has been given to a proposal, the State proceeds with the sub-division of the property, the selection of settlers, and the improvement of the holdings to a stage where production can begin within a reasonable time. A living allowance may be granted to a settler during "the assistance period", ordinarily a period of one year after allotment. During this period no payment is required of rent or interest in respect of the holding, nor of principal or interest in respect of advances other than for working capital. Each soldier settler is granted a residential course in the "Principles of Farm Management" at a Government Training Centre. The course, which lasts eight weeks, provides an opportunity of gaining knowledge on aspects of farming not normally acquired in farming occupations.

(iv) *Summary of Operations to 31st March, 1947.* The table following shows particulars, for each State, of the land submitted, approved, allotted, deferred, under consideration and withdrawn, during the eighteen months to 31st March, 1947, the period that the scheme has been in operation:—

WAR SERVICE LAND SETTLEMENT TO 31st MARCH, 1947.

State.	Land Approved.											Land Deferred for Investigation, Under Consideration, Rejected or Withdrawn.	
	Land Submitted.		As Suitable for Soldier Settlement. (a)				For Subdivision.		To be Allotted as Single Holdings.		Holdings Allotted.		
	Submissions.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Propert-ies.	Acres.	Hold-ings.	Acres.	Hold-ings.	Acres.	Hold-ings.		Acres.
N.S.W.—	No.	'000.	'000.	'000.	No.	'000.	No.	'000.	No.	'000.	No.	'000.	
Western Division	72	2,518	1,524	1,524	..	..	..	1,524	49	847	33	995
Group Promotion	40	195	133	133	29	133	108	..	..	(b) 1	3	62
Other..	50	805	677	452	18	174	179	..	..	28	31	127
Total, N.S.W.	162	3,518	2,334	2,109	47	307	287	1,524	49	876	67	1,184	
Victoria..	34	331	281	222	11	40	79	(c)	1	..	..	49
Queensland	17	99	81	81	3	4	8	..	..	..	..	17
South Australia	78	375	177	177	4	8	12	(d)	2	(d)	2	198	
Western Australia	216	629	388	347	3	24	12	85	56	..	..	242
Tasmania	11	161	158	156	1	1	2	..	..	..	..	3
Total	518	5,113	3,419	3,092	69	384	400	1,609	108	876	69	1,693	

(a) Includes particulars shown under next four headings.

(b) 704 acres.

(c) 320 acres.

(d) 49 acres.

2. *Loans and Allowances (Agricultural Occupations) Scheme.*—(i) *General.* The Director of War Service Land Settlement is empowered under the Re-establishment and Employment Act 1945, to grant loans and make allowances to eligible ex-servicemen needing financial assistance to enable them to engage in or resume agricultural pursuits. The Director has therefore concluded agreements with State authorities under which they administer the scheme in detail.

(ii) *Details of Loan Scheme.* The cost of financing the loans and the cost of administration are borne by the Commonwealth. An applicant must satisfy the lending authority (i) as to his ability and qualifications in regard to the form of primary production concerned, (ii) as to the suitability of his engaging in the occupation as a means of establishment or re-establishment in civil life, and (iii) as to the likelihood of repayment of the loan within a reasonable time. A loan not in excess of £1,000, or 90 per cent. of

the lending authority's valuation of the security offered, whichever is the less, may be made to any one eligible person for the purchase of, and improvements on, land, the acquisition of tools, live-stock, plant or equipment, the establishment of a co-operative business, the reduction or discharge of a mortgage, etc. Repayment of loans (which may be spread over 30 years) is required by periodical instalments of principal and interest, security being taken by mortgage, or lien etc. The maximum rate of interest payable is 3½ per cent. on an amount in excess of £250.

(iii) *Summary of Loan Operations to 31st March, 1947.* Particulars of applications received, approved, refused, etc., for each State, are shown below to 31st March, 1947:—

LOANS (AGRICULTURAL OCCUPATIONS) TO 31st MARCH, 1947.

State or Territory.	Applications.				Loans Approved.			Loans Declined after Approval.	
	Re-ceived.	Ap-proved.	Refused or with-drawn.	Not yet Ap-proved.	Gross Amount Approved.	Net Approvals.		Appli-cations.	Amount.
						Appli-cations.	Amount.		
					£	No.	£	No.	£
N.S.W. ..	2,762	2,219	372	171	1,552,374	2,019	1,404,147	200	148,227
Vic. ..	1,802	871	696	235	578,059	860	570,669	11	7,390
Q'land ..	566	364	178	24	202,957	318	172,995	46	29,962
S. Aust. ..	750	382	158	210	287,117	363	278,295	19	8,822
W. Aust. ..	1,589	1,034	534	21	853,207	1,034	853,207	..	..
Tas.	432	161	86	185	105,374	161	101,274	..	4,100
Nor. Terr. ..	8	1	3	4	1,000	1	1,000	..	..
Total ..	7,909	5,032	2,027	850	3,580,088	4,756	3,381,587	276	198,501

NOTE.—To 31st March, 1947, cash advanced by Treasury was £2,136,000 and amount advanced to applicants, £1,877,505.

(iv) *Allowances (Agricultural Occupations).* These allowances are provided only in respect of the period during which the income derived by the ex-serviceman from the occupation concerned is considered inadequate. The rate of allowance is determined by the prescribed authority, and the maximum period of payment is twelve months from the date of entry into, or of resumption of, working occupation of the property.

The numbers of applications received, approved, rejected, etc., and the amounts paid, for each State, to 31st March, 1947, appear hereunder:—

ALLOWANCES (AGRICULTURAL OCCUPATIONS) TO 31st MARCH, 1947.

State.	Applications.				Allow-ances Ceased.	Allow-ances Paid, Amount.
	Received.	Approved.	Rejected or with-drawn.	Not yet Approved.		
New South Wales	1,650	1,385	154	111	..	£ 143,840
Victoria	1,395	992	271	132	..	87,161
Queensland	1,257	893	169	195	300	93,000
South Australia	624	395	92	137	161	50,142
Western Australia	1,293	1,055	174	64	402	103,909
Tasmania	127	91	13	23	54	13,333
Total	6,346	4,811	873	662	917	481,385

NOTE.—To 31st March, 1947, cash advanced to bank by Treasury was £601,500.

CHAPTER V.—TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATION.

A. SHIPPING.

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

Summary of Movements, pp. 108, 116 and 117.—The following tables summarize oversea and interstate shipping arrivals in the several States during each of the years 1944-45 and 1945-46 :—

OVERSEA AND INTERSTATE SHIPPING : VESSELS AND TONNAGE ENTERED.

State of Entry.	Steam.						Sailing.					
	Oversea.				Interstate.(a)		Oversea.		Interstate.(a)		Total Entered.	
	Direct.		Via Other States.				Direct and via other States.					
	Ves-sels.	Net Tonnage.	Ves-sels.	Net Tonnage.	Ves-sels.	Net Tonnage.	Ves-sels.	Net Tonnage.	Ves-sels.	Net Tonnage.	Ves-sels.	Net Tonnage.

1944-45.

N.S.W.	453	2,070,682	137	614,294	1,208	2,390,974	1	2,540	1	155	1,800	5,073,645
Vic. ..	140	597,985	122	601,211	1,062	1,786,614	7	1,129	81	11,836	1,412	2,998,775
Qld. ..	202	703,628	63	363,458	408	762,404	..	..	2	332	675	1,829,822
S. Aust.	62	208,391	39	189,285	557	1,467,134	..	..	16	3,650	674	1,868,460
W. Aust.	186	863,316	10	43,672	186	682,891	..	..	6	941	388	1,590,820
Tas. ..	8	36,164	13	61,184	636	621,152	..	..	103	13,770	760	732,270
Total	1,051	4,480,166	384	1,873,104	4,057	7,711,169	8	3,669	209	30,684	5,709	14,098,792

1945-46.

N.S.W.	452	2,124,431	196	962,272	1,110	2,438,266	1	2,540	2	321	1,761	5,527,830
Vic. ..	167	796,777	166	873,200	1,033	1,804,804	5	808	66	10,194	1,442	3,485,783
Qld. ..	193	703,653	99	546,011	303	587,103	..	..	..	..	595	1,836,767
S. Aust.	75	293,855	40	191,554	471	1,246,362	..	..	11	839	597	1,732,510
W. Aust.	242	1,299,385	7	33,609	213	1,041,614	..	..	8	3,658	470	2,378,266
Tas. ..	8	31,227	24	126,013	617	661,889	1	2,540	78	11,505	728	833,179
N. Terr.	3	10,676	..	..	6	20,488	..	..	..	..	9	31,164
Total	1,140	5,260,004	532	2,732,664	3,758	7,800,526	7	5,888	165	26,517	5,602	15,825,599

(a) Includes oversea vessels on interstate voyages.

§ 6. Tonnage of Cargo.

Oversea and Interstate Cargo, pp. 119 and 120.—The tables hereunder show particulars of oversea and interstate cargo discharged in and shipped from each State during each of the years 1944-45 and 1945-46:—

TONNAGE OF CARGO DISCHARGED AND SHIPPED.

State.	Discharged.				Shipped.			
	Interstate.		Oversea.		Interstate.		Oversea.	
	Tons Weight.	Tons Meas.	Tons Weight.	Tons Meas.	Tons Weight.	Tons Meas.	Tons Weight.	Tons Meas.
1944-45.								
	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.
New South Wales ..	2,817	668	1,621	1,075	3,298	420	972	710
Victoria ..	2,338	299	1,082	422	713	446	321	542
Queensland ..	516	368	743	173	406	165	369	409
South Australia ..	1,145	190	249	74	2,484	139	779	67
Western Australia..	241	126	583	48	275	118	545	64
Tasmania ..	363	265	65	5	490	352	74	19
Total ..	7,420	1,916	4,343	1,797	7,666	1,640	3,060	1,811
1945-46.								
	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.
New South Wales ..	2,154	442	1,624	1,001	2,831	316	930	631
Victoria ..	2,075	226	1,263	407	581	256	304	468
Queensland ..	236	271	688	133	392	156	403	161
South Australia ..	1,123	178	324	78	1,754	132	382	78
Western Australia..	260	143	593	26	278	40	390	58
Tasmania ..	345	258	108	4	374	312	53	65
Northern Territory	3	4	..	..	6	1	..	9
Total ..	6,196	1,522	4,600	1,649	6,216	1,213	2,462	1,470

B. RAILWAYS.

§ 1. General.

Summary of Operations, p. 136.—The following table gives a summary of the operations of all Government railways open for general traffic during the years 1944-45 and 1945-46 :—

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS: SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS.

Particulars.	C'wealth.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W.Aust.	Tas.	Aust.	
1944-45.									
Mileage open (route)									
30th June, 1945	miles	2,201	6,128	4,748	6,566	2,547	4,387	642	27,213
Capital cost	£ mil.	17.9	153.1	52.9	40.4	31.0	26.6	2.9	4327.3
Cost per mile	£	8,154	24,984	11,131	6,149	12,164	6,078	4,586	12,026
Gross revenue	£'000.	2,424	32,377	15,258	13,809	5,460	4,276	900	74,504
Gross revenue per train-mile	..	20s. 0d.	16s. 8d.	18s. 8d.	15s. 8d.	16s. 6d.	13s. 10d.	8s. 2d.	16s. 6d.
Working expenses	£'000.	2,113	24,673	12,832	11,676	5,145	3,764	1,167	61,370
Working expenses per train-mile	..	17s. 5d.	12s. 8d.	15s. 8d.	13s. 3d.	15s. 7d.	12s. 2d.	10s. 6d.	13s. 7d.
Net revenue	£'000	311	7,704	2,426	2,133	315	512	— 267	13,134
Net revenue per train-mile	..	2s. 7d.	4s. 0d.	3s. 0d.	2s. 5d.	0s. 11d.	1s. 8d.	— 2s. 4d.	2s. 11d.
Interest	£'000	356	5,350	1,903	1,502	1,072	1,050	96	411,547
Train-miles run	'000	2,426	b 38,900	16,337	b 17,574	6,618	6,171	2,201	90,227
Passenger journeys	'000	473	254,099	195,698	38,962	24,820	18,099	3,261	535,412
Goods, etc. carried	'000 tons	381	18,793	8,064	6,240	3,476	2,904	924	40,782

1945-46.

Mileage open (route)									
30th June, 1946	miles	2,201	6,128	4,748	6,566	2,547	4,387	642	27,213
Capital Cost	£ mil.	18.1	155.0	53.3	40.7	30.6	26.8	3.1	4330.0
Cost per mile	£	8,219	25,290	11,225	6,197	12,032	6,106	4,779	12,125
Gross revenue	£'000	1,565	32,113	14,675	11,916	4,871	4,107	928	70,175
Gross revenue per train-mile	..	17s. 3d.	16s. 11d.	17s. 11d.	15s. 3d.	15s. 4d.	13s. 0d.	8s. 4d.	16s. 2d.
Working expenses	£'000	1,502	24,934	12,531	10,425	5,107	4,027	1,209	59,735
Working expenses per train-mile	..	16s. 7d.	13s. 2d.	15s. 4d.	13s. 4d.	16s. 1d.	12s. 9d.	10s. 10d.	13s. 9d.
Net revenue	£'000	63	7,179	2,144	1,491	— 236	80	— 281	10,440
Net revenue per train-mile	..	0s. 8d.	3s. 9d.	2s. 7d.	1s. 11d.	— 0s. 9d.	0s. 3d.	— 2s. 6d.	2s. 5d.
Interest	£'000	341	5,240	1,902	1,480	1,055	1,040	97	411,265
Train-miles run	'000	1,818	b 38,000	16,344	15,607	6,354	6,304	2,229	86,656
Passenger journeys	'000	347	267,423	196,118	38,199	23,119	17,136	3,414	545,756
Goods, etc. carried	'000 tons	276	16,885	7,229	5,758	2,970	2,728	880	36,726

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

(b) Estimated.

C. TRAMWAYS.

Summary of Operations, p. 152.—The following table is a summary of the operations of all electric tramways in Australia during the years 1944-45 and 1945-46 :—

ELECTRIC TRAMWAYS: SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS.

Mileage open (route) 30th June.	Capital Cost.	Gross Revenue.		Working Expenses.		Interest.	Tram-miles Run.	Passenger Journeys.
		Total.	Per Tram-mile.	Total.	Per Tram-mile.			
Miles.	£'000.	£'000.	d.	£'000.	d.	£'000.	'000.	Mil.
1944-45.								
603	27,156	11,265	30.81	8,420	23.03	790	87,756	1,069.7
1945-46.								
600	27,428	11,313	30.55	8,858	23.92	724	88,878	1,049.3

F. MOTOR VEHICLES.

Motor Vehicles on the Register, p. 157.—Motor vehicles registered and licences in force at 30th June, 1945, and 1946; and gross revenue derived during the years 1944-45 and 1945-46 were as follows:—

MOTOR VEHICLES: REGISTRATIONS AND REVENUE.
(Excluding Defence Service Vehicles.)

State or Territory.	Motor Vehicles Registered at 30th June.					Drivers' and Riders' Licences in force at 30th June.	Gross Revenue Derived from—			
	Motor Cars. (b)	Commercial Vehicles. (c)	Motor Cycles.	Total.	Per 1,000 of Population at 30th June.		Vehicles Registration and Motor Tax.	Drivers' and Riders' etc., Licences.	Other Sources.	Total.
1944-45.										
N.S.W. ..	186,802	83,980	16,068	286,850	98.97	445,625	2,103,132	225,828	68,996	2,397,956
Vic. ..	141,249	94,110	19,820	255,179	126.81	353,584	1,514,679	88,402	86,187	1,689,268
Q'land ..	69,000	53,798	6,394	129,192	119.73	157,712	708,273	62,656	72,727	843,656
S. Aust. ..	59,196	25,121	7,484	91,801	145.92	117,310	525,697	67,487	13,703	606,887
W. Aust. ..	39,723	24,147	4,507	59,377	121.18	73,090	301,816	23,435	35,612	360,863
Tas. ..	17,064	6,959	2,815	26,838	108.29	29,128	188,814	14,564	23,077	226,455
Nor. Terr. ..	193	2,273	54	2,520	482.67	1,097	2,076	550	..	2,626
Aus. Cap. Ter.	1,555	573	97	2,225	151.95	3,043	10,137	1,454	133	11,724
Total ..	505,782	290,961	57,239	853,982	115.77	1,180,589	5,354,624	484,376	300,435	6,139,435
1945-46.										
N.S.W. ..	192,335	98,245	20,492	311,072	106.36	518,644	2,278,547	267,446	99,726	2,645,719
Vic. ..	146,605	102,196	23,249	272,050	133.96	401,610	1,671,996	100,413	107,351	1,879,760
Q'land ..	71,003	63,694	8,627	143,324	131.34	188,564	808,748	77,174	86,371	972,293
S. Aust. ...	61,937	28,768	10,110	100,815	158.40	138,706	577,414	53,436	16,037	656,887
W. Aust. ..	31,408	28,668	6,799	66,875	135.35	89,141	327,188	29,007	40,692	396,887
Tas. ..	17,356	7,831	3,200	28,387	113.07	34,932	202,333	17,466	28,485	248,284
Nor. Terr. ..	337	3,023	103	3,463	659.62	2,553	5,564	952	..	6,516
Aus. Cap. Ter.	1,634	704	121	2,459	164.14	3,890	11,054	1,834	70	12,958
Total..	522,615	333,129	72,701	928,445	124.65	1,378,040	5,882,844	557,728	378,732	6,819,304

(a) 1946 figures in brackets—excludes trailers 32,616 (38,312), road tractors, etc., 3,366 (3,933), and dealers' plates 1,608 (2,237). (b) Includes taxis and hire cars. (c) Includes lorries, vans, buses and utility trucks. (d) Includes vehicles registered as primary producers' vehicles.

New Vehicles Registered, p. 159.—New vehicles registered during the years 1944-45 and 1945-46 were as follows :—

NEW MOTOR VEHICLES REGISTERED.

(Excluding Defence Service Vehicles.)

Vehicles.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.(b)	W.A.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Total.
1944-45.								
Motor Cars	267	496	35	30	41	26	4	899
Commercial Vehicles, etc.	2,518	(a) 2,351	1,265	592	597	331	..	7,654
Motor Cycles	105	86	2	25	192	1	..	411
Total	2,890	2,933	1,302	647	830	358	4	8,964

1945-46.

Motor Cars	526	1,208	82	160	100	43	4	2,123
Commercial Vehicles, etc.	3,288	(a) 2,329	1,529	727	456	351	6	8,686
Motor Cycles	681	378	155	396	270	73	..	1,953
Total	4,495	3,915	1,766	1,283	826	467	10	12,762

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

(b) Excludes Northern Territory.

H. AVIATION.

Statistical Summary, p. 166.—The following table gives a summary of operations for Australia in 1944-45 and 1945-46 :—

CIVIL AVIATION IN AUSTRALIA.

Year.	Registered Aircraft Owners. (a)	Registered Aircraft. (a)	Licensed Pilots. (a).		Hours Flown.	Approx. Mileage.	Passengers Carried.	Weight of Goods Carried.	Weight of Mails Carried. (b)	Accidents.	
			Private.	Commercial.						Killed.	Injured.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	'000 Miles.	No.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	No.	No.
1944-45	125	206	215	428	111,122	14,992	342,070	4,756	3,250	26	10
1945-46	182	349	320	1,019	152,140	21,538	522,157	10,260	2,773	44	1

(a) At 30th June.

(b) Includes gross weight of oversea mails.

NOTE.—Figures relate to civil operations of larger organizations only.

I. POSTS, TELEGRAPHS AND TELEPHONES.

§ 1. General to § 5. Telephones.

Summary of Operations, pp. 168-183.—The following table is a summary of the operations of the Postmaster-General's Department during the year 1944-45 :—

POSTMASTER-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT : SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS, 1944-45.

State.	Postal Matter Handled.							Telephones.			
	Gross Revenue.	Expenditure.	Letters, Cards.	Newspapers, Packets.	Parcels.	Registered Articles.	Money Orders Issued, Value.	Postal Notes Issued, Value.	Telegrams Dispatched.	Lines Connected. (a)	Instruments Connected. (a)
	£'000.	£'000.	mil.	mil.	mil.	mil.	£'000.	£'000.	No.	'000.	'000.
N.S.W. ...	10,330	7,791	366.1	81.9	7.1	8.1	12,043	3,515	12,060	226	320
Vic. ...	8,030	6,389	269.1	50.5	5.1	4.7	5,906	2,502	8,330	182	264
Q'land. ...	4,784	3,541	131.1	24.4	3.5	3.1	4,803	1,978	7,865	73	107
S. Aust. ...	2,342	1,792	71.7	11.2	1.7	1.2	1,564	991	3,031	51	72
W. Aust. ...	1,682	1,301	56.3	11.0	1.2	1.0	1,723	457	3,362	29	43
Tas. ...	703	621	37.8	5.9	0.4	0.6	981	201	826	17	22
Aust.	27,871	27,389	932.1	184.9	19.0	18.7	27,020	9,554	35,474	578	828

(a) At 30th June, 1945.

(b) Includes £5,952,000 Central Office expenditure.

§ 6. Radio Telegraphy and Telephony.

Wireless Licences, p. 183.—The following table shows the number of each class of licence issued in each State and Territory at 30th June, 1945 and 1946 :—

NUMBER OF WIRELESS LICENCES.

Station Licence.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aust.
30TH JUNE, 1945.									
Coast	1	1	6	1	5	3	1	..	18
Ship	68	77	12	9	1	..	..	..	167
Aircraft	3	21	9	7	4	..	..	..	44
Land	33	3	97	52	85	9	62	2	343
Broadcasting (a)	35	19	19	8	10	8	..	1	100
Broadcast Listeners	570,091	412,317	184,341	157,604	102,065	50,557	221	2,606	1,479,802
Portable	9	..	6	5	4	..	5	15	44
Special	150	1,297	70	14	47	10	..	1	589
Total	570,390	412,735	184,560	157,700	102,221	50,587	289	2,625	1,481,107
30TH JUNE, 1946.									
Coast	1	1	6	1	5	3	1	..	18
Ship	74	78	13	15	2	..	..	..	182
Aircraft	7	27	12	5	6	..	..	..	57
Land	40	5	103	54	92	9	67	2	372
Broadcasting (a)	35	19	19	8	10	8	..	1	100
Broadcast Listeners	573,107	415,785	191,186	164,497	106,529	51,992	227	2,757	1,506,080
Portable	12	2	6	6	4	..	7	16	53
Special	179	308	78	14	44	10	1	1	635
Total	573,455	416,225	191,423	164,600	106,692	52,022	303	2,777	1,507,497

(a) There are also 35 stations operated by the National Broadcasting Service, including 6 short-wave stations (Victoria, 3; Queensland, 1; Western Australia, 1).

CHAPTER VI.—EDUCATION.

§ 3. State Schools, § 4. Private Schools and § 8. Technical Education.

Returns for Year 1944, pp. 190, 193-5 and 205.—The following table gives a summary of State, Technical and Private schools in each State for the year 1944 :—

EDUCATION : SUMMARY, 1944.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W.Aust.	Tas.	N. Ter.	Aust.
State Schools—								
Schools .. No.	2,721	2,439	1,546	890	671	381	3	8,651
Teachers .. "	11,202	9,722	4,343	2,666	2,077	1,184	6	31,200
Net enrolment .. "	365,954	213,985	135,451	72,662	a 56,508	33,661	207	878,428
Average weekly enrolment .. "	335,561	202,181	128,840	69,640	56,508	30,663	207	823,600
Average daily attendance .. "	292,613	178,674	107,772	63,558	52,031	28,096	198	722,942
Net Expenditure—								
Maintenance .. £'000	5,131	3,162	1,711	1,013	819	421	4	12,261
Buildings .. "	409	177	102	104	78	62	3	935
Total .. "	5,540	3,339	1,813	1,117	897	483	7	13,196
Technical Schools—								
Schools .. No.	41	31	12	20	9	6	..	119
Teachers .. "	1,645	1,804	206	350	194	174	..	4,373
Students .. "	39,750	b 31,533	8,416	12,534	5,417	b 2,559	..	100,209
Total Expenditure .. £'000	583	653	104	125	64	82	..	1,611
Private Schools—								
Schools .. No.	722	502	219	148	154	61	1	1,807
Teachers .. "	5,265	2,952	1,483	853	728	327	4	11,612
Enrolment .. "	112,755	85,607	35,006	15,450	18,268	7,635	72	274,793
Average attendance .. "	95,093	81,361	31,793	13,641	17,036	6,014	68	245,006

(a) Average weekly enrolment.

(b) Excludes students at Junior Technical Schools.

§ 6. Universities.

Teaching and Research Staff, Etc., pp. 197-199.—The following table gives a summary of the University statistics for the years 1944 and 1945 :—

UNIVERSITIES : SUMMARY.

Particulars.	University—							Total.
	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Q'land.	Adelaide.	W.A.	Tas.	University Colleges. New England. Canberra.	
Teaching and Research Staff—								
Professors ..	{ 1944 43	24	19	24	10	10	..	130
	{ 1945 45	27	16	24	12	11	..	135
Other ..	{ 1944 380	349	239	221	67	29	38	1,340
	{ 1945 398	326	199	228	71	45	42	1,328
Civilian Students ..	{ 1944 3,710	3,983	1,387	2,529	739	383	151	84
	{ 1945 4,408	4,224	1,631	2,763	719	433	183	104
Service Personnel (External) ..	{ 1944 672	769	402	227	94	24	..	2,188
	{ 1945 1,072	872	445	203	105	43	..	2,740
Commonwealth Reconstruction Training Students ..								
	{ 1945 395	356	148	121	48	28	2	23
Degrees Conferred ..	{ 1944 754	464	128	143	88	27	..	1,604
	{ 1945 669	494	114	190	87	34	..	1,588
Receipts—General Activities—								
Government Grants ..	{ 1944 188	£'000. 116	£'000. 45	£'000. 78	£'000. 39	£'000. 18	£'000. 20	£'000. 5
	{ 1945 150	129	47	81	45	24	21	10
Total ..	{ 1944 347	231	94	145	53	23	32	5
	{ 1945 342	258	103	149	62	31	35	11
Extra Activities ..	{ 1944 92	140	31	44	35	8	..	2
	{ 1945 101	161	33	43	41	8	..	3
Expenditure—General Activities—								
Administration ..	{ 1944 24	21	10	6	3	3	4	1
	{ 1945 28	25	9	6	3	4	4	2
Teaching ..	{ 1944 215	156	67	100	37	15	11	3
	{ 1945 268	188	83	112	40	20	12	7
Total ..	{ 1944 284	238	97	143	51	23	32	5
	{ 1945 345	289	115	152	56	30	35	10
Extra Activities ..	{ 1944 68	123	23	36	26	7	..	2
	{ 1945 82	131	28	38	31	7	..	3

C. SOCIAL SERVICES BENEFITS.

§ 1. Invalid and Old-age Pensions, § 2. Child Endowment, § 3. Widows' Pensions and § 4. Maternity Allowances.

General, pp. 246-251.—The following table gives a summary of invalid and old-age and widows' pensions, child endowment and maternity allowances for the year 1945-46:—

SOCIAL SERVICES : SUMMARY, 1945-46.

Particulars.	N.S.W. (a)	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust. (b)	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
Old-age and Invalid Pensions—							
Old-age No.	108,685	69,308	34,808	23,565	18,797	9,663	264,826
Invalid No.	28,255	13,599	9,807	4,836	3,538	2,833	62,868
Amount paid in Pensions £'000	11,225	6,822	3,661	2,335	1,861	1,058	26,962
Child Endowment—							
Family claims in force .. . No.	211,946	135,377	83,043	44,509	39,114	19,830	533,819
Endowed children No.	375,395	229,982	156,126	75,175	69,325	39,730	915,512
Amount paid £'000	7,077	4,465	3,009	1,427	1,285	756	18,019
Widows' Pensions—							
Pensions in force No.	17,355	12,748	6,363	3,656	2,870	1,595	44,587
Children for whom pensions paid .. . No.	7,096	3,565	2,446	1,082	891	627	15,707
Amount paid £'000	1,295	900	484	251	203	114	3,247
Maternity Allowances—							
Claims paid No.	60,730	40,991	25,281	13,736	9,912	5,796	156,446
Amount paid £'000	967	650	405	220	159	92	2,493

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory.

(b) Includes Northern Territory.

§ 5. Commonwealth Unemployment and Sickness Benefits.

General, pp. 252-253.—The following table shows the number of persons in each State admitted to benefit during the year and on benefit at the end of the year 1945-46:—

UNEMPLOYMENT AND SICKNESS BENEFITS : PERSONS ADMITTED TO AND ON BENEFIT, 1945-46.

State.	Unemployment.		Sickness.		Special.		Total.		
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Persons.
ADMITTED TO BENEFIT, 1945-46.									
N.S. Wales(a) ..	38,592	10,197	11,822	2,435	87	61	50,501	12,693	63,194
Victoria ..	2,632	63	8,246	1,923	21	45	10,899	2,031	12,930
Queensland ..	10,574	380	5,043	825	49	21	15,666	1,226	16,892
Sth. Australia(b)	9,470	1,486	3,674	604	54	10	13,198	2,100	15,298
W. Australia ..	3,879	158	2,848	657	24	16	6,751	831	7,582
Tasmania ..	308	5	1,545	280	7	41	1,860	326	2,186
Total ..	65,455	12,289	33,178	6,724	242	194	98,875	19,207	118,082
ON BENEFIT, 30TH JUNE, 1946.									
N.S. Wales(a) ..	1,203	95	2,063	438	9	39	3,275	572	3,847
Victoria ..	564	15	1,387	403	2	27	1,953	445	2,398
Queensland ..	3,165	146	808	153	20	24	3,993	323	4,316
Sth. Australia(b)	324	2	669	109	7	8	1,000	119	1,119
W. Australia ..	1,239	37	445	134	15	10	1,699	181	1,880
Tasmania ..	81	2	256	55	3	32	340	89	429
Total ..	6,576	297	5,628	1,292	56	140	12,260	1,729	13,989

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory.

(b) Includes Northern Territory.

The following table shows the amounts paid in respect of each class of benefit and the average amount paid per person admitted to each class of benefit in each State during 1945-46 :—

UNEMPLOYMENT AND SICKNESS BENEFITS : PAYMENTS, 1945-46.

State.	Unemployment.		Sickness.		Special.		Total.	
	Amount.	Average per Person admitted.	Amount.	Average per Person admitted.	Amount.	Average per Person admitted.	Amount.	Average per Person admitted.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
N.S. Wales(a) ..	275,205	5.7	198,943	14.0	1,068	7.2	475,216	7.5
Victoria ..	28,234	10.5	139,267	13.7	912	13.8	168,413	13.0
Queensland ..	108,138	9.9	76,306	13.0	624	8.9	185,068	11.0
South Australia(b)	73,226	6.7	53,076	12.4	206	3.2	126,508	8.3
Western Australia	36,440	9.0	34,818	9.9	654	16.4	71,912	9.5
Tasmania ..	3,827	12.2	23,459	12.9	809	16.9	28,095	12.8
Total ..	525,070	6.8	525,869	13.2	4,273	9.8	1,055,212	8.9

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory.

(b) Includes Northern Territory.

CHAPTER X.—REPATRIATION.

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

Number of Pensioners and Expenditure, pp. 270 and 272.—The following table shows the number of war and service pensioners and expenditure for the years 1944-45 and 1945-46 :—

WAR AND SERVICE PENSIONS : NUMBER AND PAYMENTS.

Particulars.	Place of Payment.							Total.
	N.S.W. (a)	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust. (b)	W.Aust.	Tas.	Oversen.	
War Pensions—								
Number ..	{ 1944-45 105,020	78,227	31,575	20,816	27,686	12,381	5,674	281,079
	{ 1945-46 138,589	93,026	40,412	29,298	37,921	14,503	5,641	359,390
Amount Paid	{ 1944-45 4,068	3,245	1,292	852	1,053	551	336	11,397
£'ooo ..	{ 1945-46 4,875	3,640	1,466	1,050	1,265	624	338	13,258
Service Pensions—								
Number ..	{ 1944-45 4,019	3,293	2,119	1,255	1,343	537	..	12,566
	{ 1945-46 4,203	3,402	2,184	1,389	1,403	508	..	13,089
Amount paid £	{ 1944-45 199,535	169,716	113,817	66,651	72,158	27,089	..	648,996
	{ 1945-46 253,274	206,276	141,965	85,803	86,339	31,223	..	804,880

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory.

(b) Includes Northern Territory.

CHAPTER XII.—TRADE.

§ 3. Lend-Lease and Mutual Aid between Australia and the United States.

Agreement for Termination of Lend-Lease, p. 332.—On 8th June, 1946, the Prime Minister announced the signing of an agreement for the complete and final settlement of Lend-Lease and Reciprocal Aid. The most important features of the agreement are :—

- (i) In recognition of mutual war-time benefits received from Lend-Lease and Reciprocal Aid neither Government will make any payment to the other for Lend-Lease and Reciprocal Aid articles and services used to achieve a common victory.

- (ii) All Lend-Lease and Reciprocal Aid articles held by the respective Governments will remain in the possession of each, subject to the right to repossess articles held by the armed forces of the other Government—this right to be exercised only in exceptional circumstances and after consultation.
- (iii) Australia will pay to the United States £A.8,400,000 for the post-war values of certain machine tools and other items of capital equipment received under Lend-Lease, for certain Lend-Lease non-combat aircraft and spares remaining in Australia, and £A.2,000,000 of United States Army and Navy surpluses. Of the total payment, £2,200,000 will be in Australian currency for the acquisition of real estate, the construction of United States Government buildings, and the furtherance of cultural relationships of mutual benefit.
- (iv) All other financial claims between the two Governments arising out of the War, except for certain specified claims, will be waived.

§ 6. Oversea Trade.

Summary of Movements, pp. 345 and 346.—The table hereunder is a summary of the total oversea trade movements of Australia, in British and Australian currency values, during the year 1945-46:—

TOTAL OVERSEA TRADE : AUSTRALIA, 1945-46.

Item.	British Currency Values.	Australian Currency Values.
	£stg. '000.	£A. '000.
Merchandise—Exports	156,826	196,424
Imports	155,347	194,572
Commodity Balance	1,479	1,852
Bullion and Specie—Exports	21,490	26,864
Imports	1,434	1,796
Bullion and Specie Balance	20,056	25,068
Total Balance	21,535	26,920

§ 7. Direction of Oversea Trade.

Imports according to Country of Origin and Exports according to Country of Destination, pp. 348 and 350.—The following table shows particulars of the values of total imports and total exports of Australia, including bullion and specie, according to countries of origin or of destination, for the year 1945-46:—

TOTAL OVERSEA TRADE, AUSTRALIA : COUNTRIES OF ORIGIN OR OF DESTINATION, 1945-46.

Country of Origin or of Destination.	Imports.	Exports.
	£stg. '000.	£A. '000.
United Kingdom	58,827	80,145
Canada	6,942	3,772
Ceylon	5,056	6,950
India	10,037	18,045
Malaya (British)	6	6,514
New Zealand	3,170	8,033
Other British Countries	6,121	27,504
Total British Countries	90,159	150,963

**TOTAL OVERSEA TRADE, AUSTRALIA: COUNTRIES OF ORIGIN OR OF
DESTINATION, 1945-46—continued.**

Country of Origin or of Destination.	Imports.	Exports.
	£stg. '000.	£A. '000.
Belgium	55	7,461
China	84	885
France	22	10,391
Netherlands	12	671
Netherlands East Indies	62	1,808
Sweden	449	891
Switzerland	744	120
United States of America	41,846	37,340
Other Foreign Countries	20,839	12,758
Total Foreign Countries	64,113	72,325
Outside packages	2,509	..
Total	156,781	223,288

§ 10. Classified Summary of Australian Oversea Trade.

Imports and Exports in Statistical Classes, pp. 358 and 359.—The following table shows the values of total imports and total exports in statistical classes for the year 1945-46:—

TOTAL OVERSEA TRADE, AUSTRALIA : CLASSES, 1945-46.

Classes.	Imports.	Exports.
	£stg. '000.	£A. '000.
I. Animal foodstuffs, etc.	822	34,694
II. Vegetable foodstuffs, non-alcoholic beverages, etc.	7,728	37,187
III. Alcoholic liquors, etc.	298	2,009
IV. Tobacco, etc.	4,683	738
V. Live animals	213	124
VI. Animal substances, etc.	908	81,227
VII. Vegetable substances, etc.	6,521	1,015
VIII. Apparel, textiles, etc.	27,816	7,130
IX. Oils, fats and waxes	18,215	2,416
X. Paints and varnishes	884	151
XI. Stones and minerals, etc.	1,368	1,949
XII. Metals, metal manufactures and machinery	40,570	14,639
XIII. Rubber and leather, etc.	2,669	1,535
XIV. Wood and wicker, etc.	1,687	902
XV. Earthenware, etc.	1,853	443
XVI. Paper and stationery	7,169	584
XVII. Jewellery, etc.	1,262	244
XVIII. Optical, surgical and scientific instruments	2,063	474
XIX. Drugs, chemicals, etc.	6,214	2,994
XX. Miscellaneous	22,404	5,069
XXI. Gold and silver, and bronze specie	1,434	26,864
Total	156,781	223,288

CHAPTER XIII.—LABOUR, WAGES AND PRICES.

A. RETAIL PRICES AND PRICE INDEXES.

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

All Items ("C" Series) Index p. 395.—The following table shows the "C" series index-number for the December quarters, 1945 and 1946 for each capital city and for the six capital cities combined, showing separate series for each of the four main groups of items:—

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

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

December Quarter.	Sydney.	Mel- bourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.	Six Capitals. (b)
GROUP I.—FOOD AND GROCERIES.							
1945 ..	1,029	1,055	963	1,001	1,051	1,062	1,030
1946 ..	1,047	1,044	996	996	1,052	1,084	1,037
GROUP II.—HOUSING (4 AND 5 ROOMS) (c)							
1945 ..	1,043	973	863	892	886	934	975
1946 ..	1,043	973	863	895	886	936	976
GROUPS I. AND II.—FOOD, GROCERIES AND HOUSING.							
1945 ..	1,032	1,021	922	957	984	1,010	1,007
1946 ..	1,043	1,014	942	955	985	1,024	1,011
GROUP III.—CLOTHING.							
1945 ..	1,459	1,445	1,446	1,433	1,423	1,447	1,448
1946 ..	1,555	1,551	1,552	1,529	1,548	1,558	1,550
GROUP IV.—MISCELLANEOUS.							
1945 ..	1,163	1,158	1,133	1,213	1,139	1,099	1,161
1946 ..	1,175	1,165	1,141	1,222	1,147	1,110	1,170
GROUPS I. TO IV.—ALL ITEMS OF HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE.							
1945 ..	1,147	1,137	1,074	1,106	1,107	1,120	1,129
1946 ..	1,177	1,157	1,110	1,128	1,136	1,155	1,156

(a) The index-numbers given in the separate parts of the table cannot be compared with each other in order to show the relative cost of food and groceries, housing, etc., since the cost in 1923-27 in each group or combination is made equal to 1,000. (b) Weighted average. (c) The rent index-numbers measure the proportionate rise and fall in the average weekly rentals paid for houses of four and five rooms taking corresponding houses throughout. See footnote (b) on page 389.

B. WHOLESALE PRICES AND PRICE INDEXES.**§ 1. Melbourne Wholesale Price Index.**

Index-numbers, p. 402.—The table hereunder gives the index-numbers for each group, and for all groups combined, of those commodities included in the series for the years 1945 and 1946 :—

INDEX-NUMBERS (a) : MELBOURNE WHOLESALE PRICES.

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

Year.	I. Metals and Coal.	II. Wool, Cotton, Leather, &c.	III. Agri- cultural Pro- duce, &c.	IV. Dairy Pro- duce.	V. Gro- ceries.	VI. Meat.	VII. Build- ing Ma- terials.	VIII. Chem- icals.	All Groups.
1945	2,270	1,960	2,259	1,726	1,967	2,560	3,770	2,527	2,228
1946	2,262	2,062	1,950	1,722	1,977	2,589	3,772	2,614	2,163

(a) Figures are not directly comparable horizontally.

§ 2. Basic Materials and Foodstuffs.

Index-numbers, p. 403.—Index-numbers for each group of commodities and for all groups combined for the new index of wholesale prices of basic materials and foodstuffs are shown below for each of the twelve months and year 1945-46 :—

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

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

Period.	Metals and Coal.	Oils, Fats and Waxes.	Tex- tiles.	Chem- icals.	Rubber and Hides.	Build- ing Ma- terials.	Food- stuffs and To- bacco.	Goods princi- pally Im- ported (b)	Goods princi- pally Home Pro- duced.	All Groups.
1945-46—										
July	1,305	1,609	1,502	1,410	1,398	1,758	1,347	1,793	1,259	1,417
August ..	1,303	1,609	1,508	1,410	1,398	1,758	1,349	1,797	1,259	1,418
September ..	1,303	1,566	1,508	1,410	1,398	1,758	1,353	1,791	1,257	1,415
October ..	1,303	1,566	1,489	1,417	1,398	1,758	1,348	1,802	1,249	1,411
November ..	1,303	1,566	1,496	1,417	1,398	1,758	1,332	1,778	1,246	1,404
December ..	1,303	1,566	1,507	1,417	1,398	1,758	1,328	1,778	1,244	1,399
January ..	1,302	1,566	1,511	1,417	1,398	1,762	1,331	1,783	1,244	1,403
February ..	1,302	1,566	1,515	1,417	1,398	1,760	1,328	1,768	1,249	1,403
March	1,300	1,566	1,515	1,418	1,398	1,760	1,348	1,786	1,257	1,413
April	1,300	1,519	1,540	1,418	1,398	1,783	1,370	1,773	1,274	1,420
May	1,300	1,519	1,579	1,418	1,398	1,783	1,370	1,774	1,275	1,421
June	1,300	1,519	1,544	1,418	1,398	1,783	1,367	1,766	1,275	1,419
Year	1,302	1,561	1,518	1,416	1,398	1,766	1,348	1,787	1,257	1,412

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

D. WAGES.

§ 2. Rates of Wages and Hours of Labour.

Weekly Rates of Wage, pp. 410 and 412.—The following table shows for each State and Australia the weighted average nominal weekly rates of wage payable, and the index-numbers based thereon, for adult males and for adult females at 31st December, 1945 and 1946:—

WAGE RATES OF ADULT MALES AND FEMALES.

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

Date.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
ADULT MALES—RATES OF WAGE.							
	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
31st December, 1945	121 10	120 4	119 10	114 5	122 9	116 11	120 4
31st December, 1946	130 11	128 11	128 0	121 4	125 7	125 2	128 6

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

31st December, 1945	2,377	2,347	2,339	2,233	2,395	2,282	2,348
31st December, 1946	2,554	2,515	2,498	2,368	2,450	2,442	2,507

ADULT FEMALES—RATES OF WAGE.

	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
31st December, 1945	71 3	73 11	74 1	66 1	66 0	68 5	72 0
31st December, 1946	76 0	78 6	79 5	72 10	67 2	72 7	76 9

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

31st December, 1945	2,623	2,722	2,726	2,431	2,428	2,517	2,650
31st December, 1946	2,799	2,889	2,923	2,679	2,472	2,673	2,824

(a) Weighted average for Australia.

§ 3. Basic Wages in Australia.

Current Commonwealth Basic Wage Rates, p. 424.—The basic weekly wage rates for adult males, fixed by the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration for each Capital City and the six capitals, operative at 1st May, 1947, were as follows:—Sydney, 110s. od.; Melbourne, 107s. od.; Brisbane, 104s. od.; Adelaide, 103s. od.; Perth, 103s. od.; Hobart, 104s. od.; Six Capitals, 106s. od. Female rates are generally 54 per cent. of male rates.

Current State Basic Wage Rates, p. 428.—The table below gives the current basic weekly wage rates declared by the various State tribunals, operative at 1st May, 1947 :—

BASIC WEEKLY WAGE RATES FIXED BY STATE INDUSTRIAL TRIBUNALS.

State.	Basic Wage.		Date of Operation.	Family Unit (for Male Rate).
	Males.	Females.		
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		
New South Wales ..	(a) 5 10 0	(a) 2 19 6	1.5.47	(b)
Victoria(c) ..	(5 7 0)	(2 18 0)	(1.2.47)	(c)
Queensland ..	(d) 5 8 0	3 3 6	18.4.47	Man, wife and three children
South Australia ..	5 2 0	2 17 0	7.1.47	" " " " "
Western Australia(e)	5 7 1	2 17 10	26.2.47	Man, wife and two children
Tasmania(c) ..	(5 4 0)	(2 16 0)	(1.2.47)	(c)

(a) Sydney, Newcastle, Port Kembla-Wollongong; Broken Hill—Males, £5 13s.; Females, £3 18s. od.; Elsewhere—Males, £5 7s.; Females, £2 18s. od. (b) Commonwealth Basic Wage operative—no defined family unit. (c) None declared but rates shown are those of Commonwealth Court which are followed to a large extent. No defined family unit. (d) South-Eastern Division. Allowances are added for other Divisions:—Northern, 10s.; North-Western, 17s. 4d.; Mackay, 5s. 6d.; South-Western 7s. 1d. Half of these allowances are granted to females. (e) Metropolitan Area. Basic wage from 26.2.47 for Gold-fields Areas and other portions of State excluding the S.W. Land Division—Males, £5 15s. 4d.; Females, £3 2s. 3d.; and from 22.7.46 for Agricultural Areas and S.W. Land Division—Males, £5 6s. 6d.; Females, £2 17s. 6d.

E. EMPLOYMENT.

§ 1. Employment.

Wage and Salary Earners in Employment, p. 432.—The following table shows particulars of wage and salary earners in civil employment, excluding rural employment and females in domestic work in private homes, for the month of June, 1946 :—

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN EMPLOYMENT, JUNE, 1946.(a)

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

(Thousands.)

New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia.(b)
MALES.						
605.8	412.4	181.6	127.9	90.2	46.4	1,473.1
FEMALES.						
246.7	193.1	70.4	47.9	34.4	16.8	611.4
PERSONS.						
852.5	605.5	252.0	175.8	124.6	63.2	2,084.5

(a) Subject to revision.

(b) Includes Australian Capital Territory and Northern Territory.

§ 2. Unemployment.

Unemployment of Members of Trade Unions, p. 436.—The following are the percentages of unemployment in each State for the eight quarters March, 1945 to December, 1946 and the years 1945 and 1946 :—

UNEMPLOYMENT OF MEMBERS OF TRADE UNIONS : PERCENTAGES.

Period.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia.
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
1945—March Qtr.	1.5	0.8	0.5	1.2	1.0	0.7	1.1
June „ ..	1.5	0.8	0.6	1.5	1.1	0.8	1.1
Sept. „ ..	1.5	0.8	0.9	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.2
Dec. „ ..	1.5	1.0	0.8	1.3	1.5	1.6	1.2
Year ..	1.5	0.9	0.7	1.3	1.2	1.0	1.2
1946—March „ ..	1.5	1.3	0.8	1.6	1.5	1.7	1.4
June „ ..	1.6	1.1	0.9	1.4	1.6	1.6	1.3
Sept. „ ..	1.5	1.3	0.8	1.3	1.5	2.3	1.4
Dec. „ ..	1.5	1.3	1.0	1.1	1.6	2.3	1.4
Year ..	1.5	1.3	0.9	1.4	1.6	2.0	1.4

§ 3. Industrial Disputes.

Summary of Industrial Disputes, p. 441.—The following table shows particulars of industrial disputes in each State during the years 1945 and 1946 :—

INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES.

State.	Number.	Establishments Involved.	Workpeople Involved.			Working Days Lost.			Estimated Loss in Wages. £
			Directly.	Indirectly.	Total.	New Disputes.	Old Disputes.	Total.	
1945.									
New South Wales	845	1,201	246,286	15,473	261,759	1,792,857	..	1,792,857	2,241,180
Victoria ..	34	34	29,162	65	29,227	50,920	288	51,208	49,628
Queensland ..	27	363	15,644	99	15,743	208,003	..	208,003	206,483
South Australia ..	13	14	3,810	16	3,826	28,614	300	28,914	27,768
Western Australia	16	25	3,158	644	3,802	23,371	9,120	32,491	35,239
Tasmania ..	10	11	1,572	..	1,572	6,168	..	6,168	7,146
Australia ..	945	1,648	299,641	16,297	315,938	2,109,933	9,708	2,119,641	2,567,444
1946.									
New South Wales	771	1,389	220,452	9,018	229,500	701,869	17,688	719,557	941,983
Victoria ..	35	326	74,217	2,600	76,817	505,585	1,705	507,290	513,655
Queensland ..	22	90	23,322	90	23,412	613,689	..	613,689	694,453
South Australia ..	18	33	8,911	1,286	10,227	29,014	..	29,014	31,525
Western Australia	11	18	2,704	3,659	6,363	69,634	..	69,634	68,329
Tasmania ..	8	15	1,675	..	1,675	6,646	..	6,646	7,056
Australia (a) ..	869	1,882	331,865	16,683	348,548	1,928,451	19,393	1,947,844	2,290,147

(a) Includes four disputes in Australian Capital Territory and Northern Territory.

CHAPTER XIV.—POPULATION.

§ 3. Distribution and Fluctuation of Population.

Growth and Distribution, pp. 456, 461.—The following table shows the revised population for each State and Territory at 31st December, 1939 to 1946:—

ESTIMATED POPULATION : REVISED.

31st December—	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aust.
MALES.									
1939	1,391,343	931,405	532,404	299,250	246,409	122,863	4,231	6,877	3,534,782
1940	1,398,144	948,504	537,676	298,037	248,106	123,361	4,258	7,567	3,565,653
1941	1,404,179	965,681	539,424	301,908	248,230	121,894	4,075	7,471	3,592,862
1942	1,418,578	971,026	536,675	303,783	250,154	122,215	3,948	7,407	3,613,786
1943	1,426,160	980,169	545,109	306,073	250,521	122,810	4,020	6,986	3,641,848
1944	1,439,364	987,977	551,255	309,275	252,836	123,972	4,036	7,120	3,675,835
1945	1,454,290	996,339	559,227	312,994	254,548	125,461	4,051	7,253	3,714,163
1946	1,470,070	1,008,254	565,380	317,584	257,663	127,567	4,059	7,461	3,758,038
FEMALES.									
1939	1,371,438	954,843	486,723	299,655	222,420	119,661	1,981	5,792	3,462,513
1940	1,384,702	969,713	493,795	301,326	224,514	119,982	2,041	6,518	3,502,591
1941	1,396,110	984,306	500,020	305,479	225,613	119,643	1,492	6,908	3,539,771
1942	1,411,839	994,939	502,951	308,810	229,127	119,686	980	7,214	3,575,546
1943	1,425,063	1,005,747	511,774	311,991	231,155	120,860	1,113	7,214	3,614,917
1944	1,441,942	1,014,891	519,064	315,649	234,595	122,199	1,152	7,374	3,656,866
1945	1,458,693	1,024,291	527,491	319,615	237,470	123,953	1,191	7,551	3,700,165
1946	1,472,119	1,037,413	532,945	324,333	240,483	126,024	1,262	7,777	3,742,356
PERSONS.									
1939	2,762,781	1,886,248	1,019,127	598,905	468,829	242,524	6,212	12,669	6,997,295
1940	2,782,846	1,918,217	1,031,471	599,363	472,620	243,343	6,299	14,085	7,068,244
1941	2,800,489	1,949,987	1,039,444	607,387	473,843	241,537	5,567	14,379	7,132,633
1942	2,830,117	1,995,965	1,039,626	612,593	479,281	241,901	4,928	14,621	7,189,332
1943	2,851,223	1,985,916	1,056,883	618,064	481,676	243,670	5,133	14,200	7,256,765
1944	2,881,306	2,002,868	1,070,310	624,924	487,431	246,171	5,188	14,494	7,332,701
1945	2,912,983	2,020,630	1,086,628	632,609	492,018	249,414	5,242	14,804	7,414,328
1946	2,942,189	2,045,667	1,098,325	641,917	498,146	253,591	5,321	15,238	7,500,394

Mean Population, p. 462.—The following tables show the revised mean population figures for the calendar years 1939 to 1946 and the financial years 1939-40 to 1945-46. In calculating these figures the formula stated on page 462 has been reverted to, instead of the mid-year estimates previously used as the mean of years covering periods subsequent to June, 1943.

TOTAL MEAN POPULATION : CALENDAR YEARS.

Year ended 31st December—	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aust.
1939	2,748,191	1,881,853	1,013,710	596,371	465,530	238,097	5,999	12,092	6,961,843
1940	2,772,132	1,903,702	1,026,099	599,103	470,906	240,438	6,255	13,550	7,032,191
1941	2,790,446	1,936,002	1,037,142	601,906	473,609	239,762	6,274	14,699	7,099,840
1942	2,816,052	1,963,059	1,037,374	610,502	478,240	240,520	4,868	14,591	7,165,206
1943	2,838,426	1,977,329	1,049,570	615,257	480,125	242,329	5,076	14,202	7,222,314
1944	2,866,586	1,994,478	1,063,651	621,378	484,535	244,967	5,159	14,346	7,295,100
1945	2,897,526	2,011,878	1,078,530	628,913	489,803	247,803	5,217	14,643	7,374,313
1946	2,925,179	2,031,235	1,091,892	636,753	494,342	251,272	5,256	14,997	7,450,926

TOTAL MEAN POPULATION : FINANCIAL YEARS.

Year ended 30th June—	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aust.
1940 ..	2,760,580	1,889,853	1,020,449	598,375	468,506	239,290	6,213	12,859	6,996,125
1941 ..	2,782,225	1,923,198	1,032,220	599,257	472,756	240,349	6,298	14,235	7,067,438
1942 ..	2,800,908	1,952,333	1,037,694	606,988	475,461	239,761	5,564	14,553	7,133,262
1943 ..	2,828,240	1,968,980	1,042,179	612,562	479,633	241,168	4,933	14,530	7,192,225
1944 ..	2,851,952	1,986,279	1,057,099	618,183	481,681	243,597	5,135	14,200	7,258,120
1945 ..	2,881,714	2,003,118	1,070,691	624,997	487,382	246,251	5,189	14,495	7,333,837
1946 ..	2,912,365	2,020,716	1,085,904	632,647	491,915	249,445	5,233	14,802	7,413,927

§ 4. Elements of Increase.

Natural Increase and Total Increase, pp. 470 and 474.—The following table shows particulars of natural increase and of total increase during the year 1945 :—

POPULATION : NATURAL INCREASE AND TOTAL INCREASE, 1945.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Nor. Terr.	Aust. Cap. Terr.	Aust.
NATURAL INCREASE.(a)									
Persons ..	34,668	20,704	17,254	7,984	5,960	3,372	55	332	90,329
Rate(b) ..	11.96	10.29	16.00	12.69	12.17	13.61	10.54	22.67	12.25
TOTAL INCREASE.(c)									
Persons ..	31,677	17,762	16,309	7,685	4,587	3,243	54	310	81,627

(a) Excess of births over civilian deaths. (b) Excess of births over deaths per 1,000 mean population. (c) Includes recorded deaths of defence personnel.

CHAPTER XV.—VITAL STATISTICS.

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

Numbers and Rates, pp. 510, 517, 534, 535, and 539.—The following table shows State totals of marriages, births, deaths, and infant deaths for 1945, and totals for Australia for 1945 and 1946 :—

MARRIAGES, BIRTHS, DEATHS AND INFANTILE DEATHS.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia.	
									1945.	1946.
Marriages ..	25,283	16,501	9,905	5,321	3,788	1,868	48	108	62,822	79,496
Rate(a) ..	8.73	8.20	9.18	8.46	7.73	7.54	9.20	7.38	8.52	10.67
Births ..	61,662	41,200	26,713	14,033	10,672	5,785	90	405	160,560	176,406
Rate(a) ..	21.28	20.48	24.77	22.31	21.79	23.35	17.25	27.66	21.77	23.68
Deaths ..	26,994	20,496	9,459	6,049	4,712	2,413	35	73	70,231	74,661
Rate(a) ..	9.32	10.19	8.77	9.62	9.62	9.74	6.71	4.99	9.52	10.02
Infantile Deaths ..	1,889	1,155	394	315	159	5	5	5	4,717	5,116
Rate(b) ..	30.63	28.03	29.76	28.08	29.52	27.48	55.56	12.35	29.38	29.00

(a) Number per 1,000 of mean population. (b) Number of deaths under 1 year per 1,000 of live births registered.

CHAPTER XVIII.—PUBLIC FINANCE.

D. COMMONWEALTH AND STATE FINANCE.

Revenue and Expenditure, p. 729.—The following table shows particulars of Commonwealth and State revenue and expenditure during the year 1945-46. This information has been obtained from monthly returns of the several Treasury Departments and is not completely comparable with that shown in Chapter XVIII.—Public Finance, which is obtained from annual returns.

COMMONWEALTH AND STATE CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUNDS: REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE, 1945-46.

Government of—	Revenue.	Expenditure.	Surplus (+) or Deficit (-).
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
New South Wales(a)	71,915	71,524	+ 391
Victoria	35,191	35,185	+ 6
Queensland	24,775	24,760	+ 15
South Australia	(b) 16,343	16,343	..
Western Australia	(b) 14,408	14,408	..
Tasmania	(b) 3,933	4,034	- 101
Six States	166,565	166,254	+ 311
Commonwealth	390,780	390,780	..
Grand Total(c)	510,690	510,379	+ 311

(a) Excludes Main Roads Department, Road Transport and Traffic Fund, and reconps of interest, etc., from undertakings outside the Budget. (b) Includes additional financial assistance granted by the Commonwealth under the State Grants (Income Tax Reimbursement) Act 1942—South Australia, £1,101,000; Western Australia, £913,000; Tasmania, £119,000. (c) To avoid duplication on aggregating particulars for the Commonwealth and States, the grand totals exclude payments by the Commonwealth to the States for compensation in respect of uniform taxation, interest on States' debts and special grants. also pay-roll tax payments by States to the Commonwealth.

CHAPTER XIX.—PASTORAL PRODUCTION.

Live-stock and Wool Produced.—The following table shows the numbers of live-stock in each State at 31st March, 1945 and 1946, and the amount of wool produced in each State during the 1944-45 and 1945-46 seasons:—

LIVE-STOCK AND WOOL PRODUCED.

31st Mar.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	Nor. Terr.	A.C.T.	Australia.
PIGS ('000), pp. 748 and 863.									
1945 ..	523.9	296.3	438.1	160.9	164.0	46.9	0.1	0.7	1,630.9
1946 ..	432.6	271.9	415.4	120.0	137.9	46.9	0.4	0.6	1,425.7
HORSES ('000.), p. 752.									
1945 ..	436.4	253.8	380.7	133.0	96.5	25.9	31.8	1.1	1,359.2
1946 ..	403.6	232.5	367.4	115.9	88.2	24.9	31.9	1.0	1,265.4
CATTLE ('000.), p. 755.									
1945 ..	3,144.7	1,903.1	6,623.1	391.3	852.6	224.7	984.4	9.3	14,133.2
1946 ..	3,116.8	1,827.1	6,542.2	374.1	833.6	216.3	960.0	7.9	13,878.0
SHEEP ('000.), p. 759.									
1945 ..	46,662.0	16,457.1	21,292.1	8,173.9	10,049.6	2,156.1	29.3	250.8	105,370.9
1946 ..	44,076.0	14,655.3	18,943.7	6,785.5	9,766.0	1,925.6	18.6	224.7	96,396.4
WOOL (AS IN THE GREASE) PRODUCED ('000 lb.) p. 765.									
Season—					(a)		(b)		
1944-45	448,683	177,143	178,719	106,708	86,841	16,324	308	1,763	1,016,489
1945-46c	431,549	152,398	170,000	73,500	86,986	16,338	155	1,960	932,886

(a) For year ended previous December.

(b) Estimated.

(c) Subject to revision.

CHAPTER XX.—AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION.

Principal Crops, pp. 780-782.—The table hereunder shows the area, production and average yield per acre of the principal crops in Australia during the 1944-45 and 1945-46 seasons :—

PRINCIPAL CROPS : AUSTRALIA.

Season.	Grain.			Hay.	Sugar-cane.	Cane sugar.	Total Crops.
	Wheat.	Oats.	Maize.				
AREA ('000 acres.)							
1944-45 ..	8,463	2,034	257	2,409	326	..	17,472
1945-46(a) ..	11,425	1,949	236	2,757	337	..	20,422
PRODUCTION.							
	'000 bush.	'000 bush.	'000 bush.	'000 tons.	'000 tons.	'000 tons.	
1944-45 ..	52,880	8,970	6,463	1,994	4,598	670	..
1945-46(a) ..	142,410	25,774	5,729	3,493	4,718	664	..
AVERAGE YIELD PER ACRE.							
	Bush.	Bush.	Bush.	Tons.	Tons. (b)	Tons. (b)	
1944-45 ..	6.25	4.41	25.15	0.83	20.31	2.96	..
1945-46(a) ..	12.46	13.22	24.30	1.27	20.02	2.82	..

(a) Subject to revision.

(b) Per acre of productive crop.

CHAPTER XXI.—FARMYARD, DAIRY AND BEE PRODUCTS.

Butter, Cheese, Bacon and Ham, pp. 860, 861 and 864.—Particulars of the total amounts of butter and cheese (factory and farm), and bacon and ham produced in each State during 1945-46 are shown below :—

BUTTER, CHEESE, BACON AND HAM PRODUCTION, 1945-46.(a)

N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	A.C.T.	Australia.
BUTTER (tons).							
34,946	50,539	45,787	8,532	5,926	4,314	3	150,047
CHEESE (tons).							
2,218	15,086	11,748	10,066	820	1,189	..	41,127
BACON AND HAM (tons).							
17,409	8,534	11,156	5,216	4,888	1,254	..	48,457

(a) Subject to revision.

CHAPTER XXV.—MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY.

Summary.—The table following gives a summary of the operations in manufacturing industries during 1944-45 and 1945-46:—

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY: SUMMARY.

Particulars.		N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	Australia.
1944-45.								
1. Factories	No.	11,359	9,669	2,783	2,182	1,931	1,006	28,930
2. Hands employed(a)	"	314,678	257,537	64,135	65,472	29,146	19,511	750,579
3. Wages paid(b)	£	89,243,041	70,560,011	17,979,827	17,246,148	7,614,243	5,008,530	207,651,800
4. Value of fuel, etc. used	£	12,564,956	6,946,053	2,222,879	2,555,739	1,045,987	897,137	26,832,751
5. " materials used	£	215,219,002	158,098,951	59,593,548	35,284,903	17,134,744	11,557,523	196,888,671
6. " production	£	159,874,627	122,377,307	30,902,038	27,267,050	12,960,009	8,902,324	362,283,355
7. " output of factories	£	387,658,535	287,422,311	92,718,465	65,107,692	31,740,740	21,356,984	886,004,777
8. " land and buildings	£	81,058,876	57,808,861	13,689,055	16,877,449	7,654,187	5,491,670	182,580,107
9. " plant and machinery	£	73,039,252	58,571,064	18,134,011	17,955,288	8,254,231	7,963,214	183,917,060
1945-46.(c)								
1. Factories	No.	12,287	10,195	2,807	2,395	2,280	1,082	31,046
2. Hands employed(a)	"	315,774	257,793	65,460	64,909	30,256	19,235	753,427
3. Wages paid(b)	£	87,647,460	70,499,214	18,011,966	16,789,409	7,883,814	5,006,511	205,838,374
4. Value of fuel, etc. used	£	12,206,611	6,952,997	2,298,019	2,854,757	1,835,677	904,011	27,052,102
5. " materials used	£	201,706,086	159,798,131	58,633,079	37,908,497	18,360,635	12,019,637	488,426,065
6. " production	£	153,179,489	122,192,875	30,269,653	25,468,614	13,826,527	9,195,657	354,132,815
7. " output of factories	£	367,092,216	288,944,003	91,200,751	66,231,868	34,022,839	22,119,305	869,610,982
8. " land and buildings	£	80,308,347	60,267,953	14,331,556	15,595,301	8,282,694	5,304,703	184,087,554
9. " plant and machinery	£	72,560,630	58,537,394	18,690,541	19,017,955	8,507,705	8,230,715	185,544,940

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

(b) Excludes amounts drawn by working proprietors.

(c) Preliminary; subject to revision.

CHAPTER XXVI.—MINERAL INDUSTRY.

§ 1. The Mineral Wealth of Australia.

Quantity and Value of Production, pp. 967, 968.—In the table hereunder particulars are given of the quantity and value of production in Australia of the principal minerals during the years 1944 and 1945:—

MINERAL PRODUCTION: QUANTITIES AND VALUES, AUSTRALIA.

Year.	Coal.			Copper and Copper Ore.	Gold.	Iron-stone and Ore.	Lead.	Silver.	Silver-lead Ore, Concentrates.	Tin and Tin Ore.	Zinc and Concentrates.	All Minerals.
	Black.	Brown.	Copper Ore.									
QUANTITIES.												
	'000 tons.	'000 tons.	Tons.	Fine oz.	'000 tons.	Tons.	'000 oz.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	
1944	13,756	5,016	29,365	656,867	2,039	8,227	1,454	240,563	2,943	321,683	..	..
1945	12,854	5,445	25,850	657,212	1,529	6,302	1,224	205,803	2,594	280,893	..	..
VALUES (£'000.).												
1944	12,117	566	2,602	6,901	2,343	206	163	4,046	838	1,620	33,178	
1945	11,661	641	2,285	7,031	1,756	158	165	4,605	759	1,481	32,341	

CHAPTER XXVIII.—MISCELLANEOUS.

§ 10. Valuation of Australian Production.

Net Value of Production, p. 1092.—The following table shows particulars of the net value of production in each State of the various industry groups during the year 1944-45 :—

NET VALUE OF RECORDED PRODUCTION IN STATES, 1944-45.

Industry.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Total.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Agriculture ..	17,351	14,900	18,308	8,998	6,640	5,852	72,049
Pastoral ..	37,452	24,446	19,993	7,695	6,515	2,273	98,374
Dairying ..	14,137	14,672	11,377	3,456	1,798	743	46,183
Poultry ..	5,715	5,592	931	1,295	704	563	14,800
Bee-farming ..	228	121	28	113	24	3	517
Total, Rural ..	74,883	59,731	50,637	21,557	15,681	9,434	231,923
Trapping ..	2,727	2,520	75	211	98	576	6,207
Forestry ..	3,321	2,172	2,516	1,069	1,365	816	11,259
Fisheries ..	1,023	339	277	163	155	278	2,235
Mines and Quarries	13,137	1,548	2,770	2,935	4,185	2,256	26,831
Total, Non-rural	20,208	6,579	5,638	4,378	5,803	3,926	46,532
Total, All Primary Factories ..	95,091 159,875	66,310 122,378	56,275 30,902	25,935 27,267	21,484 12,960	13,360 8,902	278,455 362,284
Total, All Industries ..	254,966	188,688	87,177	53,202	34,444	22,262	640,739

Secondary Industries Commission and Secondary Industries Division.

General.—The Secondary Industries Commission was appointed by the Commonwealth Government in October, 1943. Its functions are :—(i) To review the industrial development during the war, and especially to recommend alternative uses for Government war factories ; (ii) generally to assist industry in transition from war production to peace-time production ; and (iii) to advise the Government generally, as may be required, on post-war developments in Australian industry. The members of the Commission are :—Mr. J. K. Jensen, O.B.E., Chairman, Mr. F. T. Merrett, Deputy Chairman, and Messrs. W. Scott, S. F. Cochrane and H. F. Morris, Members. (See also § 22, Chapter XXVII.—Miscellaneous, Official Year Book No. 35, p. 937.)

As the activities of the Secondary Industries Commission developed, an administrative division was established within the Department of Post-War Reconstruction to implement the Government-approved policies which emanated from the Commission. The division (Director, Mr. H. P. Breen) initiates matters for policy discussion and acts also as an executive arm of the Commission. The Commission, including in this summary the Secondary Industries Division, has maintained continuous collaboration with the respective States through meetings and contacts with State Liaison Officers especially

appointed by the various State Premiers. In analysing transitional problems of industry the advisory panel system has been employed. Panels comprise representatives of the respective industries and unions and Government Chairmen, and include the Textile, Mining, Optical, Electric Motor, Refrigerator, Furniture, Leather, Stoves and Ovens, Radio and Telecommunication and Plywood Industry Advisory Panels.

Industrial expansion in Australia is welcomed by the Commonwealth Government, and decentralization of industry within Australia is a policy of Commonwealth and all State Governments.

Activities.—The task of conversion of the surplus Government-owned factories to alternative commercial use has been successfully undertaken. Some 198 leases and 13 sales of such factories have been effected to industrialists from within Australia and abroad. They will produce a wide range of products including textiles, engineering and electrical equipment, chemicals and miscellaneous goods. Based upon recommendations of the Secondary Industries Commission, an Industrial Finance Department of the Commonwealth Bank has been set up to assist industrial expansion. The Commission is represented on a special Taxation Reviewing Committee. Taxation concessions to industry, such as exemptions for visiting industrial experts and for scientific research, and tax remissions in respect of certain plant used for war production, have resulted. In addition to work done by the Advisory Panels, the Commission has concerned itself with matters affecting specific industries, e.g., the industrial chemicals, confectionery, flax, plastics, iron and steel, and engineering industries. The executive functions of the Secondary Industries Division include sponsorships, where relevant, for industrialists, or, alternatively, an interest on behalf of industrial growth in respect of essential plant and raw materials, internal transport, financial assistance, factory space, export quota problems, technical advice and assistance, taxation relief, increase in company capital structure, collaboration in respect of import licences, freight rates, reparation problems, and scientific and technical missions to Germany and Japan.

The emphasis in the Secondary Industries Division is on technical and commercial information, technical investigation and technical services to industry. The Division is concerned, in collaboration with other appropriate authorities, with the provision of research facilities for industry, in the setting of standards for manufactured goods—particularly those for export—and in providing adequate laboratory testing facilities to test goods against prescribed standards. It administers the Wool Consultative Council which brings together in Australia the many organizations concerned with the wool industry. Oversea investment in Australian industry has been especially encouraged. Firms from the United Kingdom and the United States of America, particularly, have indicated intentions to commence production in Australia. These known decisions involve an estimated nominal capital of about £19,000,000. The Division is willing to supply to overseas inquirers such technical and economic data as is practicable regarding industrial opportunities in Australia. A bureau within the Division assists industrial firms and organizations with the important industrial problem of materials handling, and a text book on the subject is in course of preparation.

Long-term Charter for Secondary Industries Division.—The following long-term charter for the Division has been authorized by the Commonwealth Government, viz. :—(i) to develop local resources of raw materials for industry ; (ii) to study distribution and handling problems in order to reduce costs ; (iii) to supervise decentralization of industry and regional developments ; (iv) to encourage new industries and the expansion of present industries ; (v) to allocate Government factories and buildings to industry ; (vi) to take up with the Taxation Department the effect of taxation on secondary industries ; (vii) to give aid to industries, particularly to small firms of war-time origin, by extending research and technical facilities and advising on production management and technical problems ; (viii) to initiate and encourage technological research by public authorities and private agencies ; and (ix) to supervise measures to maintain and raise the quality of Australian products and increase efficiency in industry by providing a national testing service and establishing a national trade mark.