CHAPTER XVII.

PUBLIC FINANCE.

Note.—The subject of "Public Finance" is dealt with in this Chapter under the two major divisions of Commonwealth Finance and State Finance. The close financial relations between the Commonwealth and States, however, particularly since the Financial Agreement has been in operation, demand a combination of these two divisions under the heading of Commonwealth and State Finance. Under the Financial Agreement the Commonwealth assumed the liability to bondholders for the States' Debts existing at the date of the agreement and now arranges for all borrowings for and on behalf of the Commonwealth or any State and for all conversions, renewals, redemptions and consolidations of the Public Debts of the Commonwealth and the States. In view of this it has been found convenient to deal with the Commonwealth and State Public Debt in a separate division.

The subject of income taxes is also dealt with in a separate division.

A. COMMONWEALTH FINANCE.

§ 1. General.

1. Financial Provisions of the Constitution.—The main provisions of the Constitution relating to the initiation and development of the financial system of the Commonwealth are contained in Sections 81 to 105A of the Commonwealth Constitution (see pages 20-23 of this issue). Two other sections which have a most important bearing on questions of Commonwealth finance are Sections 69 and 51.

Section 69 provides for the transfer to the Commonwealth from the States of certain specified departments, and Section 51, in outlining the powers of the Commonwealth Parliament, implies the transfer or creation of other departments. Section 87 deals with the financial relations between the Commonwealth and the States. These matters have been treated in previous issues of the Official Year Book and on pages 788-92 of this issue a summary is given of the present provisions for Commonwealth financial assistance to the States.

The majority of the tables relating to Commonwealth Finance have been compiled from the annual Budget Papers as presented to Parliament by the Treasurer of the Commonwealth.

2. Accounts of Commonwealth Government.—The Commonwealth Government, like the State Governments, bases its accounts upon three funds, the Consolidated Revenue Fund, the Trust Fund and the Loan Fund, the last-mentioned fund coming into existence in the financial year 1911-12.

§ 2. Consolidated Revenue Fund.

Division L.-Nature of Fund.

- r. Provisions of the Constitution.—The provisions made for the formation of a Commonwealth Consolidated Revenue Fund, and the means to be adopted for operating on the fund, are contained in Sections 81 to 83 of the Constitution (see page 20 of this issue).
- 2. Annual Results of Transactions.—The following statement shows, for the period 1938-39 to 1950-51, the receipts, expenditure and excess receipts or deficiency for each year, and the expenditure from the excess receipts.

The receipts and expenditure on account of the balance of interest on States' Debts payable by the States to the Commonwealth under the Financial Agreement have been excluded.

COMMONWEALTH CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND: RECEIPTS, EXPENDITURE, ETC.

(£'000.)

a Receipt	re from Exces	Expenditu							
Total.	Reserve for War Gratuity.	Defence Equip- ment.	Excess Receipts.	Expendi- ture.	Receipts.		ır.	Yea	
3,495	l 1	3,495	627	94,438	95,065				1938-39
627	1 1	627	2,928	108,986	111,914		• • •		1939-40
2,928		2,928		150,482	150,482		• •		1940-41
		'		210,041	210,041				1941-42
• •			••	294,459	294,459	•••	••	• •	1942-43
	[342,188	342,188	!			1943-44
		• •		376,854	376,854				1944-45
		• •		390,780	390,780				1945-46
	!			431,256	431,256	• • •			1946-47
• •			1,420	464,485	465,905		••	• •	1947-48
1,420	1,420			554,377	554,377				1948-49
				580,652	580,652				1949-50
	l i	١	• • •	841,792	841,792	!			1950-51

The Consolidated Revenue Fund for the financial years 1940-41 to 1946-47 and 1948-49 to 1950-51 was balanced, as all available revenue after charging expenditure on ordinary services was used for defence, war and repatriation purposes.

Division II.-Revenue.

1. General.—The following table furnishes details of the revenue from each source and the amount per head of population under each of the main headings during the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51:—

COMMONWEALTH CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND: SOURCES OF REVENUE. (£'000.)

_		(2000.	<u>′</u>			
Source.	1938-39.	1946-47.	1947–48.	1948–49.	1949-50.	1950–51.
Taxation %	74,III 78.0	385,616 89.4	422,413 90.7	490,813	518,959 89.4	777,187 92.3
Per head of population	£10 13 9	£51 5 9	£55 5 9	£62 18 8	£64 9 5	£93 10 2
Business Undertakings Proportion of Total %	17,892 18.8	30,957 7.2	32,580 7.0	34,912 6.3	42,087 7·3	48,792 5.8
Per head of population	£2 11 9	£4 2 4	£4 5 3	£4 9 6	£5 4 7	£5 17 5
Territories (a) Proportion of Total %	356	570	066 0.1	738 0.1	926 0.1	1,150 0.1
Per head of population	£o 1 o	£o r 6	£0 1 9	£0 1 11	£0 2 3	£0 2 9
Other Revenue— Interest, ctc. Colnage Defence Civil Aviation Health Patents, Trade Marks, ctc. Bankruptey Wool Committee Operations Surplus Commerce and Agriculture Shipping and Transport Net Profit on Australian Note Issue Surplus Balances of Trust Accounts Other	1,144 128 151 6 18 68 31 158 767	1,092 	1,296 497 216 1,595 14 125 -22 176 4,087 	1,532 635 355 1,998 20 128 20 103 235 478 4,460	1,773 466 541 2,870 25 124 22 659 380 4,183 6,700 937	702 3,504 31 128 23
Total Proportion of Total %	2,706	14,113 3·3	10,246 2.2	27,914 5.0	18,680 3.2	14,663 1.8
Per head of population	£0 7 9	£1 17 7	£1 6 10	£3 11 7	£2 6 5	£1 15 4
Grand Total	95,065	431,256	465,905	554,377	580,652	841,792
Per head of population	£13 14 3	£57 7 2	£60' 19 7	£71 1 8	£72 2 8	£101 5 8

(a) Excludes Railways.

Note.-Minus sign (-) indicates an excess of refunds.

A graphical representation of the revenue and expenditure of the Commonwealth Consolidated Revenue Fund appears on page 805.

2. Taxation.—(i) Total Collections. (a) Amount. Collections under each heading for the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51 are shown below:—

COMMONWEALTH TAXATION: TOTAL NET COLLECTIONS. (£'000.)

		· .	1			
Heading.	1938-39.	1946–47.	1947-48.	1948–49.	1949-50.	1950-51.
Custonis	31,161	45,871	57,597	63,465	77,726	91,921
Excise	16,472	56,375	58,008	62,735	66,157	73,083
Sales Tax	9,308	36,265	34,729	39,029	42,425	57,173
Flour Tax (a)	1,809	1,747	985	I		
Land Tax	1,489	3,679	3,6.11	3,032	4,210	3,591
Income Taxes (b)	11,883	156,765	161,452	182,092	179,094	267,999
Social Services Contribution		51,000	71,418	90,255	100,560	73,958
Wool Deduction	·	· · ·	1			109,531
Pay-roll Tax		13,647	16,595	19,803	22,728	28,721
Gold Tax		556	II	-5	-9	
Estate Duty	1,915	4,019	4,555	4,740	6,054	6,401
Gift Duty		545	780	582	745	1,044
Entertainments Tax		5,138	5,198	5,299	4,698	5,148
Wool Levy (a)	74	12				
Wool Contributory Charge (a)		4,497	1,424	1,029	1,439	44,844
Wheat Tax and Export Charge(a)		5,500	5,730	18,086	12,633	13,353
Stevedoring Industry Charge(a)	••		260	670	499	420
Total Taxation Proportion of Total	74,111	385,616	422,413	490,813	518,959	777,187
Revenue %	78.0	89.4	90.7	88.5	89.4	92.3

⁽a) Paid to Trust Fund for purposes of industry concerned. Tax, Super Tax and Undistributed Profits Tax.

NOTE.—Minus sign (-) indicates an excess of refunds.

(b) Proportion of each Class on Total Collections. The following table shows the proportion of the total collections represented by returns from each class of taxation for the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51.

COMMONWEALTH TAXATION: PROPORTION OF EACH CLASS ON TOTAL NET COLLECTIONS.

(Per Cent.)

Heading	z.		1938–39.	1946-47.	1947-48.	194849.	1949-50.	1950-51
Customs			42.I	11.9	13.7	12.9	15.0	11.8
Excise			22.3	14.6	13.7	12.8	12.7	9.4
Sales Tax			12.6	9.4	8.2	8.0	8.2	7.4
Flour Tax	٠.		2.4	0.5	0.2			
Land Tax			2.0	1.0	0.9	0.6	0.8	0.5
Income Taxes (a)		16.0	40.7	38.2	37.1	34.5	34 · 4
Social Services	Contr	ibution		13.2	16.9	18.4	19.4	9.5
Wool Deduction				~			1	14.1
Pay-roll Tax				3.6	3.9	4.0	4.4	3.7
Gold Tax				0.1		1		
Estate Duty		•.•	2.6	1.0	1.1	1.0	1.2	0.8
Gift Duty				0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1
Entertainments !	Гах			1.3	1.2	1.1	0.9	0.7
Wool Levy				1				
Wool Contributo				1.2	0.3	0.2	0.3	5.8
Wheat Tax and F	xpor	t Charge		1.4	1.4	3.7	2.4	1.7
Stevedoring Indi	ustry	Charge			0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Total			100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

⁽a) See footnote (b) to previous table.

⁽b) Includes War-time (Company)

(ii) Customs Revenue. (a) Classified. Particulars of net customs receipts for the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51 are shown in the following table:—

COMMONWEALTH CUSTOMS REVENUE: CLASSIFICATION OF NET RECEIPTS.

Classes.	193	8-39.	1946-47.	1947–48.	1948–49.	1949-50.	1950-51.
Ales, spirits and beverages Tobacco and manufactu	I,I	65,503	694,622	940,573	1,171,388	1,462,036	1,890,343
thereof		56,496	7,791,112	10,806,741	14,611,978	17,657,104	20,829,735
Sugar		7,238		7,122	3,476		
	ind			i			
groceries		65,938		1,442,481	1,301,080		1,690,366
Textiles and attire		301,103			6,643,814		
Metals and machinery		85,882	2,387,402	4,418,430	5,782,255	8.439,325	8,573, 944
Oils, paints, etc		27,346		16,130,193	17,315,862		
Earthenware, etc		09,980			1,088,553		1,466,720
Drugs and chemicals		309,984		436,335	321,856		
Wood, wicker and cane		39,057					
Jewellery and fancy goods		180,916			1,236,430		
Leather and rubber		77,163	593,859		922,784		1,534,873
Paper and stationery		53,548	392,066		485,037	427,876	
Vehicles		61,762	2,091,639	2,691,333		8,734,842	7,803,908
Musical instruments		31,589	13,931	50,777	78,220		123,670
Miscellaneous articles		23,556	1,446,616		1,825,768		
Primage	3,9	13,578	6,204,238	7,093,468	5,393,474	5,710,760	
Special War Duty		• •	628,577	- 10,492	-6,121		
Other receipts	2	49,823	337,177	746,215	358,055	438,021	234,885
Total	31,1	60,462	45,871,085	57,597,154	63,464,434	77,725,664	91,920,462

NOTE .- Minus sign (-) indicates an excess of refunds.

(b) States. The following table shows the net Customs Duties collected in each State during the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51.

COMMONWEALTH CUSTOMS REVENUE: NET COLLECTIONS IN EACH STATE.

State.		1938-39.	1946-47.	1947-48.	1948-49.	1949–50.	1950-51.
Queensland South Australia (b) . Western Australia .	: ::	14,070,130 9,970,730 2,977,792 2,090,020 1,653,906 397,884	14,615,959 4,286,791 3,303,044 2,153,351	19,029,924 5,338,690 4,117,100 2,813,807	21,293,148 6,474,979 5,137,827	25,957,427 8,306,224 6,817,390 4,797,482	31,119,386 9,765,607 7,899,270 4,581,938
Total .		31,160,462	45,871,085	57,597,154	63,464,434	77,725,664	91,920,462

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory.

(b) Includes Northern Territory.

(iii) Excise Revenue. (a) Classified. Particulars of the amount of net excise collected under each division during the years 1938–39 and 1946–47 to 1950–51 are given hereunder:—

COMMONWEALTH EXCISE REVENUE: CLASSIFICATION OF NET RECEIPTS. ($\pmb{\pounds}$.)

Particular	s.	1938-39.	1946-47.	1947–48.	1948-49.	1949-50.	1950–51.
Seer Spirits Cligars and cigarettes Cigarette papers Petrol Matches Playing cards Coal . Miscellaneous Total	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	7,288,579 1,604,220 3,867,983 2,418,723 530,868 581,978 81,960 11,432 86,160	6,101,353 9,881,397 9,462,084 938,809 866,508 1,364,194 45,728	6,719,900 9,930,607 9,785,760 1,059,913 1,810,476 1,304,373 58,042	7,023,179 9,621,979 9,557,745 897,509 2,238,192 1,200,776 67,017 	6,926,107 10,229,291 10,192,194 1,002,260 2,677,483 1,200,423 61,442 206,910 258,848	10,759,311 10,662,141 1,166,202 3,064,516 1,212,971 62,810 374,827

(b) States. Net excise collections in each State for the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51 were as follows:—

COMMONWEALTH EXCISE REVENUE: NET COLLECTIONS IN EACH STATE.

	 	(20.)				
State.	1938-39.	1946-47.	19 \$7-48.	1948-49.	1949-50.	1950~51.
New South Wales (a) Victoria Queensland . South Australia (b) Western Australia Tasmania .	 6,940,301 5.687.832 1,538,042 1,018,148 1.103.481 184,099	16,633,229 4,342,885 3,188,665 3,423,347	18,474,650 6,601,030 4,846,428 4,617,625	7,101,552 5,329,031 5,116,978	20,305,985 7,317,276 5,801,286 5,466,975	21,840,802 8,271,990 6,500,282 5,976,631
Total .	 16,471,903	56,375.304	58,007,486	62,734,781	66,156,945	73,083,036

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory.

(b) Includes Northern Territory.

(iv) Other Taxation. (a) General. Taxes other than customs and excise are, in general, assessed and collected by the Commissioner of Taxation. The organization comprises an office in each State assessing the returns of taxpayers whose interests are restricted to that State only, and a Central Office assessing taxpayers whose interests are in more than one State. Taxes, however, may be paid to any office, so that the sums actually received by any office do not correspond to the assessments made by that office and frequently differ by very large amounts. For example, the actual receipts of income tax by the Queensland State office may include tax in respect of Central Office or New South Wales assessments, and, therefore, may not be a proper measure of income tax paid on account of income derived in Queensland.

The actual receipts by the various offices are the figures of necessity used by the Treasury for accounting purposes, and may be called the "Treasury" figures. In order to show a more significant picture of the taxation in each State, figures furnished by the Commissioner of Taxation, which refer strictly to the assessments made by the State office concerned, are used in the following tables. The totals of these figures do not quite agree with the total Treasury figures shown on page 761, owing to certain technicalities of accounting. The Taxation Office figures present a fair comparison between States, e.g., in taxation paid per head, but do not give the absolute measure of taxation, because the Central Office collections, which include taxation on account of all States, have not been allocated to the States. In the absence of precise information, it may be assumed, as a rough approximation, that Central Office collections may be divided among States in proportion to State office collections. It is probable, however, that a somewhat larger share is derived from the more populous States, New South Wales and Victoria.

(b) Land Tax. Commonwealth Land Tax was first imposed on the unimproved value of land in 1910-11. The following table shows the rates of land tax imposed for each assessment year from 1941-42 to 1950-51:—

LAND TAX: RATE OF TAX PER £1 OF TAXABLE VALUE. $(T = Taxable\ Value.)$

				(Pence	.)			
	Residen	its.		1	Absentees.	(a)		
Assess- ment		Value £75.0	Taxable is over	If the	Taxable Value is from f1 to £80,000—		Taxable V er £80,000	
Year.	If the Taxable Value is irom £1 to £75,000—	On £75,000-	On excess over £75,000-	On first £5,000-	On excess over £5,000—	On £5,000-	On next £75,000-	On excess over £80,000-
1941~42 to 1950~51 (b)	$\left(1 + \frac{T}{18,750}\right)$	5.0	9.0	1.0	$\left(2 + \frac{T-5.000}{18,750}\right)$	1.0	6.0	10.0

(a) Absentees are not allowed an exemption of £5,000 granted to residents. (b) In addition, if the taxable value exceeds £20,000, there is payable for 1941-42 and subsequent years a super tax equal to the lesser amount of the following:—(i) twenty per cent. of the amount of land tax; or (ii) one per cent. of the amount by which the taxable value of the land exceeds £20,000.

Under the National Security (Values for Land Tax) Regulations the revaluations of land for the purposes of the Land Tax Assessment Act 1910-1940 were postponed until after the war. Thereby the values of land, or of interests in land, as assessed for the financial year 1939-40, were adopted for the financial year 1940-41 and subsequent years for the duration of the war. Under section 10 of the Defence (Transitional Provisions) Act 1946-1949 the provisions of the National Security (Values for Land Tax) Regulations were incorporated in the Land Tax Assessment Act 1910-1949 and revaluations of land for purposes of the Act were postponed until after the assessment year commencing on 1st July, 1950. A revaluation of land is to be made for the assessment year which commenced on 1st July, 1951.

Land tax receipts in each State and Central Office for the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51 were as follows. The receipts referred to in this table differ slightly from the collections shown on page 761 because some refunds credited before 30th June were not paid until after that date.

LAND TAX RECEIPTS.

(£.)

-	 		·			
State, etc.	1938-39.	1946-47.	1947-48.	1948–49.	1949-50.	1950~51.
Central Office New South Wales Victoria Queensland South Australia Western Australia Tasmania		1,202,023 690,824 61,604 131,481 106,695	1,189,414 656,277 62,441 118,121	1,041,299 551,848	60,557 113,488 104,187	1,182,751 562,283 62,762 129,204
Total	 1,488,251	; .3,729,778	3,621,528	3,068,964	4,210,623	3,590,481

(c) Estate Duty. The Commonwealth Estate Duty was first levied in 1914. Particulars of exemptions and the rates imposed prior to 1940 are given in earlier issues of the Year Book (see No. 37, page 614).

Estate duty, under the Estate Duty Assessment Act 1940, is assessed on the net value of the estate less a statutory exemption determined in accordance with the following formula:—(a) where the whole of the estate passes to the widow, children or grand-children of the deceased, the sum of £2,000 decreasing by £1 for every £10 by which the value exceeds £2,000 up to £10,000, and thereafter decreasing by £1 for every £2 by which the value exceeds £10,000; (b) where no part of the estate passes to the widow, children or grand-children, the sum of £1,000 decreasing by £1 for every £10 by which the value exceeds £1,000 up to £6,000, and thereafter decreasing by £1 for every £8 by which the value exceeds £6,000; and (c) where part only of the estate passes to the widow, children or grand-children, the statutory exemption is to be calculated proportionately under (a) and (b).

The rates of duty, which increase as the value of the estate increases are:—£1 to £10,000, 3 per cent.; £10,001 to £20,000, 3 per cent. to 6 per cent.; £20,001 to £120,000, 6 per cent. to 26 per cent.; £120,001 to £500,000, 26 per cent. to 27.9 per cent.; over £500,000 27.9 per cent.

Particulars of the collections in each State and Central Office for the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51 are shown in the following table. These figures differ slightly from the figures on page 761 as some refunds were credited before 30th June and not paid until after that date.

ESTATE DUTY RECEIPTS.

(£.)

State, etc.	1938-39.	1946-47.	1947-48.	1948-49.	1949-50.	1950-51.
Central Office New South Wales Victoria Queensland South Australia Western Australia Tasmania Northern Territory	 999,202 422,567 294,406 60,041 82,789 34,074 15,960	1,592,910 790,670 1,062,204 248,806 167,436 84,582 55,666	2,046,170 988,152 907,176 290,778 244,797 108,453 56,352 Cr. 4	1,993,042 1,121,094 1,044,527 225,089 191,776 132,479 52,560 471	2,494,175 1,246,580 1,383,166 438,082 289,800 153,862 47,607	2,502,094 1,456,107 1,563,110 308,343 260,142 225,486 73,208 941
Total	 1,909,039	4,002,375	4,641,874	4,761,038	6,053,272	6,389,431

Particulars of the number and value of estates with duty assessed, for each of the assessment years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51, are given in the following table:—

ESTATE DUTY ASSESSMENTS.

Particulars.		1938-39.	1946–47.	1947–48.	1948-49.	1949–50.	 1950–51.
Number of Estates Gross Value Assessed Deductions Statutory Exemption Dutiable Value Duty Payable Average dutiable value Average duty per estate	£'000 £'000 £'000 £ £ £	9,681 65,699 12,630 53,069 2,002,283 5,482 207	10,988 87,354 15,292 12,973 59,089 4,230,900 5,378 385	12,082 95,373 15,537 14,166 65,670 4,883,702 5,435 404	12,350 99,717 16,475 14,402 68,840 4,902,352 5,574 397	13,982 117,534 19,219 16,271 82,044 5,992,790 5,868 429	15,680 134,074 22,714 18,175 93,185 6,933,608 5,943 442

(d) Gift Duty. The Gift Duty Assessment Act 1941-1947 and the Gift Duty Act 1941-1947 impose a gift duty on all gifts made after the 29th October, 1941. A gift has been defined as any disposition of property, which is made otherwise than by will, without adequate consideration in money or money's worth.

There is a liability on both the donor and the donee to furnish a return, and both are jointly and severally liable for payment of the duty.

The following rates of duty have been fixed by the Gift Duty Act 1941-1947:-

Value of all	Rate of Duty.			
Not exceeding £2,000 (Nil			
£2,001 (a) to £10,000	٠,	 	 	3%
£10,001 to £20,000		 	 [3% to 6%
£20,001 to £120,000		 	 [6% to 26%
£120,001 to £500,000		 	 	26% to 27.9%
£500,001 and over		 	 	27.9%

⁽a) Prior to 3rd June, 1947, no duty was payable if the value of all gifts as defined above did not exceed £500. If the value of all gifts exceeded £500 but did not exceed £10,000 the rate of duty was 3 per cent.

An amendment which operated from 3rd June, 1947 provided that gift duty will not exceed one half of the amount by which the value of the gift exceeds £2,000.

The receipts from gift duty in each State for the years 1946-47 to 1950-51 are shown in the following table. The figures shown in the table differ from those shown on page 761 because certain refunds credited before 30th June were not paid until after that date.

GIFT DUTY RECEIPTS.

(£.)

State, etc.		1946-47.	1947-48.	1948-49.	1949-50.	1950-51.
New South Wales Victoria Queensland South Australia Western Australia Tasmania Northern Territory		194,946 203,458 43,665 44,328 44,653 6,542 86	393,523 199,099 52-504 107,003 24,353 7,121	261.643 173,159 34.181 64,857 36,653 10,914	297,354 244,672 45,825 120,729 32,702 3,899	499,949 296,769 73,177 109,653 51,861 11,459 605
Total		537,678	783,694	581,414	745,181	1,043,473

⁽e) Income Taxes. Details of taxes on income are given in Section "E" of this Chapter.

(f) Pay-roll Tax. The Pay-roll Tax Assessment Act 1941-42 and the Pay-roll Tax Act 1941 imposed a pay-roll tax of 2½ per cent. on all wages in excess of £20 per week paid by an employer after 30th June, 1941. These measures formed part of the Commonwealth scheme of child endowment, the revenue from the tax being designed to provide part of the money required.

Pay-roll tax is collected in a similar manner to sales tax. Employers are required to register and to furnish a monthly return of all wages paid.

The following table shows the receipts from pay-roll tax in each State for the years 1946-47 to 1950-51. The figures shown vary slightly from the collections shown on page 761 because some refunds which were credited before 30th June were not paid until after that date.

PAY-ROLL TAX RECEIPTS.

(£.)

			1	1	i	_ 	
State, etc.	1946-47.	1947-48.	1948-49.	1949-50.	1950-51.		
New South Wales Victoria Queensland South Australia Western Australia Tasmania Northern Territory		5,793,035 3,874,667 1,609,848 1,085,430 813,885 368,412 8,840	7,313,109 4,747,145 1,876,000 1,284,780 919,055 459,227 14,100	8,534,902 5,645,022 2,356,549 1,588,615 1,119,075 538,614 18,749	9,510,238 6,655,413 2,713,570 1,834,734 1,326,212 656,254 22,875	12,091,590 8,334,834 3,392,659 2,358,808 1,685,666 826,607 25,947	
Total		13,554,117	16,613,416	19,801,526	22,719,296	28,716,111	

- (g) Gold Tax. The Gold Tax Collection Act 1939–1940 and the Gold Tax Act 1939 imposed a tax on all gold delivered to the Commonwealth Bank of Australia or to an agent of that Bank, on and after 15th September, 1939, of 50 per cent. of the amount by which the price payable by the Bank for each fine ounce of gold delivered exceeded £9. This tax was suspended from 20th September, 1947, by the Gold Tax Suspension Act 1947. Collections and repayments of tax during the five years 1946-47 to 1950-51 were as follows:—1946-47, £556,435; 1947-48, £10,713; 1948-49, Dr. £4,605; 1949-50, Dr. £9,217; and 1950-51, Dr. £182.
- (h) Entertainments Tax. The Entertainments Tax Assessment Act 1942-1946 and Entertainments Tax Act 1942-1949 came into force on 1st October, 1942, following the agreement of the State Governments to the request of the Commonwealth to suspend their entertainments tax legislation for the duration of the war and one year after. This enabled the Commonwealth Government to re-enter this field of taxation. Until 1945-46 the Commonwealth recompensed the States by annual payments of £765,787, an amount equal to that collected by the States during the year 1941-42. Thereafter these payments were discontinued and the agreement that the States should not levy a tax on entertainments was terminated.

The rates of entertainments tax from 1st October, 1949 are shown in the following table. Details of rates operating prior to 1st October, 1949 are given in earlier issues of the Official Year Book (see No. 37, page 617).

RATES OF ENTERTAINMENTS TAX OPERATING FROM 1st OCTOBER, 1949.

Amount paid (excluding an	for Admission nount of Tax).	Reduced Rates.	Full Rates.
Exceeding—	But not exceeding—	IN UTOM TRADES.	Tun Naves.
s. d. Is I 0 I 3 I 6 2 0 2 6 3 0 3 6 4 0 4 6 5 0 5 6	s. d. od. 1 3 1 6 2 0 2 6 3 0 3 6 4 0 4 6 5 0 5 6 6 0	8. d. Nil Nil 0 3 0 4 0 5 0 6 0 8 0 9 0 10 0 11 1 1 1 3 1s. 5d. plus 1\frac{1}{2}d. for each 6d. (or part thereof) by which the payment for admission exceeds 6s. 6d. (a)	8. d. 0 2 0 4 0 4 0 5 0 7 0 9 0 10 1 0 1 1 1 3 1 5 1 8 1s. 10d. plus 2½d. for each 6d. (or part thereof) by which the payment for admission exceeds 6s. 6d.(a)

⁽a) Fractions of a penny in the amount of tax are treated as follows:—\(\frac{1}{2}\)d. and \(\frac{1}{2}\)d. are disregarded—\(\frac{1}{2}\)d. is taken as one penny.

The reduced rates of tax apply to entertainments which consist of one or more of the following items, viz. :—a stage play, a ballet, a performance of music, a lecture, a recitation, a music hall or other variety entertainment, or a circus or travelling show, and to entertainments which consist solely of a game or sport in which human beings are the sole participants and the entertainment is conducted by a society which is not established or carried on for profit. The full rates apply to all other forms of entertainment. Entertainments tax is not charged on admissions to entertainments the proceeds of which are devoted to public, patriotic, philanthropic, religious or charitable purposes or where the entertainment is of an educational or scientific character.

Entertainments tax received during the five years 1946-47 to 1950-51 is shown in the following table. The figures shown in the table differ from those shown on page 761 because certain refunds credited before 30th June were not paid until after that date.

ENTERTAINMENTS TAX RECEIPTS.

(£.)

State, etc.	1946-47.	1947-48.	1948-49.	1949-50.	1950-51.
New South Wales	 2,141,470	2,189,923	2,225,895	1,958,561	2,156,402
Victoria	 1,534,445	1,571,504	1,600,908	1,430,241	1,523,125
Queensland	 664,700	661,314	646,887	580,501	397,979
South Australia	 382,004	364,365	400,066	334,762	658,391
Western Australia	 281,636	278,509	280,958	280,085	291,185
Tasmania	 127,699	126,691	129,278	107,124	114,253
Northern Territory	 6,671	6,268	6,772	6,939	6,070
Total	 5,138,625	5,198,574	5,290,764	4,698,213	5,147,405

In the following table details are given of the number of admissions on which entertainments tax was paid during the year ended 30th June, 1951.

COMMONWEALTH ENTERTAINMENTS TAX: NUMBER OF ADMISSIONS TO TAXABLE ENTERTAINMENTS, 1950-51.

('000.)

			(000+)				
Price of Admission (before Tax).	Theatres.	Picture Theatres.	Racing.	Dancing and Skating.	Sport.	Other.	Total.
8. d. 8. d. 1 0	37 143 133 477 179 449 117 287 165 2218 111 313 99 277 74 47 111	10,966 25,352 42,366 30,955 16,814 4,480 1,631 715 577 90 7	774 321 1,079 1,278 414 1,876 1,763 116 83 253 629 114 277 40 346 30 3 506 83	500 776 3,067 2,940 1,321 330 326 34 98 51 89 14 34 35 63 65 7 85 10	362 2,521 1,124 1,281 241 132 49 148 58 26 8 2 3 7 9 1	92 135 744 758 571 320 342 107 410 80 322 76 94 37 163 40 6 85 95	12,332 26,983 49,920 37,188 20,878 7,426 4,843 1,603 697 1,291 323 725 215,5 856 608 848 848 2,147
Total .	4,312	133,959	11,305	10,038	6,006	4,671	170,291

There were 12,893,000 admissions at the reduced rate, and 157,398,000 at the full rate.

(i) Sales Tax. The sales tax was first imposed in August, 1930. The operation of the tax is controlled chiefly by a system of registration of taxpayers whereby all manufacturers and wholesale merchants, who are the taxpayers under the Act in respect of goods sold in Australia, must be registered with the Department. The tax on imports subject to sales tax is collected by the Customs Department at ports of entry.

Since the inception of the tax certain exemptions have been allowed. These exemptions, which have been extended from time to time, relate mainly to goods of an essential nature or for use in primary production. The most recent exemptions were those granted from 13th October, 1950, and 27th September, 1951.

A general rate of Sales Tax is levied on all goods other than those specified in the schedules of the Sales Tax (Exemptions and Classifications) Act 1935-1951. These schedules set out details of goods exempt from sales tax and those subject to special rates. The general and special rates which operated from 15th November, 1946, were:—

Period.	General Rate.	Special Rate.
15th November, 1946 to 7th September, 1949 8th September, 1949 to 12th October, 1950 13th October, 1950 to 26th September, 1951 From 27th September, 1951	10 per cent 8½ per cent 8½ per cent 12½ per cent	25 per cent. 25 per cent. 10, 25 and 33\frac{1}{3} per cent. 20, 25, 33\frac{1}{3}, 50 and 66\frac{2}{3} per cent.

For particulars of rates applicable since the inception of Sales Tax in August, 1930 see Official Year Book No. 37, page 617.

Particulars of the net amount of sales tax payable, and the sales of taxable and exempt goods in each State for 1950-51 are given in the following table. The figures are in respect of sales during the period 1st July to 30th June.

SALES TAX AND AMOUNT OF SALES, 1950-51.

			, ,	£ 000.)					
		Net Sales of Exempt	Total	Net Ta					
State, etc.	which by Sales	Sales of Taxable and Exempt Goods.	8 1 per cent.	per cent.	25 per cent.	331 per cent.	Sales Tax Payable:		
New South Wales Victoria Queensland South Australia Western Australia Tasmania Northern Territory		217,539. 170,832 65,313 49,070 34,561 9,846 186	449,899 353,624 132,634 104,064 70,827 26,815	667,438 524,456 197,947 153,134 105,388 36,661 1,210	184,923 140,906 56,025 42,691 30,316 8,933 181	16,210 19,427 6,234 4,240 2,777 575	5,321 3,421 1,133 793 534 120	11,085 7,078 1,921 1,346 934 218	22,070 16,899 6,216 4,629 3,249 905 16
Total		547,347	1,138,887	1,686,234	463,975	49,463	11,325	22,584	53,984

Sales of taxable and exempt goods and sales tax payable for Australia as a whole for the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51 are shown in the following table:—

SALES TAX AND AMOUNT OF SALES. (£'000.)

		Year.	—		Net Sales on which Sales Tax was Payable.	Sales of Exempt Goods by Registered Persons.	Total Sales of Taxable and Exempt Goods.	Sales Tax Payable.
1938-39					196,491	280,656	477,147	9,363
1946-47	. • •				294,957	506,046	801,003	35,782
1947-48					314,311	639,948	954,259	34,059
1948–49					363,164	757,381	1,120,545	38,197
1949-50					455,251	866,575	1,321,826	40,789
1950-51	• •	• •	• •	• •	547,347	1,138,887	1,686,234	53,984

In the foregoing tables exempt sales relate to goods exempted from sales tax under the Sales Tax (Exemptions and Classifications) Act 1935-1951.

The figures shown in the foregoing tables do not represent the total sales of all commodities, as vendors trading in exempt goods only are not required to be registered and consequently the volume of their sales is not included in the statistics above.

(j) Flour Tax. Particulars of the rates of flour tax which operated from 4th December, 1933 to 21st December, 1947 are given in Official Year Book No. 37, pages 618 and 619. Because of the rise in wheat prices the rate was declared to be nil as from 22nd December, 1947.

Net receipts after allowing for refunds for 1938-39 and the last five years were: 1938-39, £1,793,833; 1946-47, £1,706,623; 1947-48, £941,207; 1948-49, Dr. £8,839; 1949-50, Dr. £11,319; and 1950-51, Dr. £2,100.

- (k) Wool Levy. The Wool Tax Act 1936 and Wool Tax Assessment Act 1936 provided for a levy on all wool grown in Australia and shorn on or after 1st July, 1936. Details of this levy are given in earlier issues of the Official Year Book. The levy is suspended for any period during which the Wool (Contributory Charge) Act 1945 is in operation. The Wool Contributory Charge was levied from 1st July, 1946 and only arrears of wool levy have been collected since that date. The amounts collected from wool levy in 1938-39, 1946-47 and 1947-48 were £74,396, £11,628 and £458 respectively. No levy has been collected since 1947-48.
- (l) Wool Contributory Charge. The Wool (Contributory Charge) Act 1945 and the Wool (Contributory Charge) Assessment Act 1945 imposed a charge on all wool produced in Australia and sold, manufactured or exported after a date fixed by proclamation. Wool sold by the Australian Wool Realization Commission was not liable to the charge. The rate of the charge is to be such a percentage of the sale value of the wool as is necessary to provide the following amounts:—
 - (a) The amounts required to meet the share of the industry in the operating expenses of the Joint Organization for the disposal of wool stocks;
 - (b) the amounts required for payment of interest on the amount spent by the Commonwealth in purchase of wool under the disposals plan; and
 - (c) the amount of the wool levy.

The Acts came into operation on 1st July, 1946, and the rate fixed was 5 per cent. on the sale value of the wool. From 1st August, 1947 the rate was reduced to 0.75 per cent. A further reduction to 0.5 per cent. was made on 1st July, 1948. On 26th August, 1950, the rate of the charge was reduced to 0.25 per cent. and a further charge of 7.25 per cent. to provide funds for a reserve prices scheme was introduced. In the Wool (Reserve Prices) Fund Act 1950 it was provided that if a reserve prices scheme which had the general approval of wool-growers was not in operation on 30th September, 1951 the amounts of contributory charge collected for that purpose were to be refunded.

A scheme placed before wool-growers was not accepted and the collections were subsequently refunded. (See also Chapter XIX.—Pastoral Production.) Collections in each State during the years 1946-47 to 1950-51 are shown in the following table:—

WOOL CONTRIBUTORY CHARGE RECEIPTS.

(£.

State.	1946–47.	1947–48.	1948-49.	1949–50.	1950-51.
New South Wales Victoria Queensland South Australia Western Australia Tasmania	 1,554,997 1,315,834 747,298 399,372 389,879 89,727	502,281 359,574 248,589 154,161 134,084 25,173	315,280 294,734 192,143 107,939 99,873 19,141	402,218	15,665,338 12,956,946 6,859,425 4,500,062 4,061,422 801,068
Total	 4,497,107	1,423,862	1,029,110	1,439,148	44,844,261

(m) Wool Sales Deduction. The Wool Sales Deduction Act 1950 and the Wool Sales Deduction (Administration) Act 1950 came into operation on 2nd December, 1950 and require that a deduction be made from the sale value of wool sold or exported, the amount deducted being subsequently added to the wool-growers provisional tax and the total amount set off against the Income Tax and Social Services Contribution assessed in respect of the year in which the deduction was made. For the income year 1950-51 the amount of deduction was 20 per cent. of the sale value. Deductions for each State during the year 1950-51 were as follows:—New South Wales, £42,693,248; Victoria, £28,787,516; Queensland, £15,458,630; South Australia, £10,170,949; Western Australia, £10,154,237; Tasmania, £2,148,625; Total, £109,413,205.

See also Chapter XIX.—Pastoral Production.

(n) Wheat Export Charge and Wheat Tax. The Wheat Export Charge Acts 1946 imposed an export charge on wheat (including the content of wheat products) harvested after 30th September, 1945 and exported from the Commonwealth after 30th November, 1945. These acts did not apply to wheat harvested between 1st October, 1945 and 1st October, 1947 and exported by the Australian Wheat Board, but provision was made in the Wheat Tax Act 1946 to collect an amount equivalent to the charge that would have been collected on this wheat, by imposing a tax on wheat acquired by the Board. There were no collections under the Wheat Export Charge Acts 1946, but collections under the Wheat Tax Act 1946, which came into operation on 9th August, 1946 and imposed a tax on all wheat of the 1945-46 and 1946-47 seasons acquired by the Australian Wheat Board, amounted to £5,500,000 in 1946-47 and £5,729,780 in 1947-48. These amounts were paid to the Wheat Prices Stabilization Fund and, under the Wheat Tax (Refund and Repeal) Act 1948, were refunded to growers. The amount of the refund was £11,548,637 (including interest, £318,857).

The Wheat Export Charge Act 1948, which operated from 25th November, 1948, repealed the Wheat Export Charge Acts 1946 and provided for an export charge on all wheat and wheat products of the 1947-48 and subsequent seasons exported after 25th November, 1948. Subject to a lower rate being prescribed, the rate of charge per bushel of wheat exported by the Australian Wheat Board was fixed at 50 per cent. of the amount by which the average price per bushel of all wheat exported by the Board exceeded the guaranteed price, with a maximum charge of 2s. 2d. per bushel. If the exporter is not the Australian Wheat Board the charge is the same except that there is no maximum charge of 2s. 2d. per bushel.

The guaranteed price for the 1947-48 season was 6s. 3d. per bushel for all fair average quality bulk wheat f.o.r. at the ports of export. It was raised to 6s. 8d. per bushel for the 1948-49 season and to 7s. 1d. for the 1949-50 season. Unless Parliament otherwise provides the act shall not apply to wheat harvested after 30th September, 1953.

Under the Wheat Industry Stabilization Act 1946–1948 an amount equivalent to the charges collected under the Wheat Export Charge Act 1948 is paid to the Wheat Prices Stabilization Fund. Out of this fund payments shall be made to the Australian Wheat Board, when required, for the purpose of building up the average export price for any season to the guaranteed price. Under the Wheat Industry Stabilization (Refund of Charge) Acts 1950 and 1951 the wheat export charge collected on wheat for the 1947–48 and 1948–49 seasons was refunded. (See also Chapter XX.—Agricultural Production.)

Collections of wheat tax and wheat export charge were as follows:—1946-47, $\pounds_{5,500,000}$; 1947-48, $\pounds_{5,730,000}$; 1948-49, $\pounds_{18,086,000}$; 1949-50, $\pounds_{12,633,000}$; and 1950-51, $\pounds_{13,353,000}$.

(o) Stevedoring Industry Charge. The Stevedoring Industry Charge Act 1947 and the Stevedoring Industry Charge Assessment Act 1947 imposed a charge of 4½d. per man-hour on the employer of a waterside worker after 22nd December, 1947.

The amounts received are paid to the Stevedoring Industry Board for the payment of attendance money to waterside workers and for other expenses of the Board.

From 11th October, 1949 the charge was reduced to 21d. per man hour.

Collections in each State during the years 1947-48 to 1950-51 are shown in the following table:—

STEVEDORING INDUSTRY CHARGE RECEIPTS.

(£.)

S			1947-48.	1948–49.	1949-50.	1950-51.	
New South Wales				101,833	233,964	173,012	142,214
Victoria				65,332	164,727	129,543	107,313
Queensland			1	31,562	113,069	82,190	66,137
South Australia			'	27,6 08	72,567	49,180 '	46,244
Western Australia			'	17,563	44,835	35,395	32,354
Tasmania			!	16,467	38,593	27,733	24,838
Northern Territory		• ••	[2,464	2,176	1,309
			Ì				
Total		• ••		260,365	670,219	499,229	420,409

3. Business Undertakings.—(i) Postmaster-General's Department. Particulars of net receipts for each of the financial years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51 are contained in the following table:—

POSTMASTER-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT: NET RECEIPTS.

(£.)

Particulars.		1938-39.	1946-47.	1947–48.	1948-49.	1949–50.	1950–51.	
Private boxes and t Commission on me		orders	74,235 288,580	96,484				10.2
Telegraphs Telephones Postage Radio Miscellaneous		::	1,372,300 8.039,580 6,635,977 516,178 439,461	2,904,538 13,317,289 11,628,882 782,023	2,833,959 14,183,604 12,372,758 797,956	2,991,326 15,055,458 12,734,873 1,191,521	3,756,382 19,167,956 13,941,714 (a)	4,442,268 22,667,318 16,019,987 (a)
Total			17,366,311	29,802,290	31,389,654	33,306,701	38,348,827	44,776,807

(a) Included under Broadcasting Services.

Further particulars of the Postmaster-General's Department's receipts to 1949-50 are given in Chapter V.—Transport and Communication (part I. Posts, Telegraphs, Telephones and Wireless).

(ii) Broadcasting Services. Following the amendment of the Australian Broadcasting Act 1942-1946 by Act No. 64 of 1948, the Broadcasting Control Board was set up on 15th March, 1949. (See also Chapter V.—Transport and Communication, and Chapter XXIX.—Miscellaneous.)

Details of net receipts for the years 1949-50 and 1950-51 are shown in the following table:—

BROADCASTING SERVICES: NET RECEIPTS.

	Particulars.						1950-51.
Listeners' Licenc						1,898,865 16,811	1,943,130
Broadcasting Sta	tion Licence	e fees					1,943,130 17,670
Miscellaneous	• •	• •	• •	• •		18,602	9,657
Total						1,934,278	1,970,457

(iii) Commonwealth Railways. The Commonwealth Government is responsible for four railways—the Trans-Australian, the Central Australia, the North Australia and the Australian Capital Territory. The following table shows the amounts paid to the credit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund on account of each of these railways for the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51:—

COMMONWEALTH RAILWAY REVENUE.

(£.) Railway. 1938-39. 1946--47 1947-48. 1948-49. 1949-50. 1950-51. 888,512 Trans-Australian 330,643 691,740 754,360 980,632 1,175,504 Central Australia 383,630 679,161 775,845 815,739 137,521 395,377 North Australia 28,839 34,88o 50,471 58,140 37,549 38,227 Aust. Cap. Territory . . 9,260 14,621 9,084 12,595 7,275 14,995 Total 1,190,160 1,605,596 1,803,952 2,044,465 525,910 1,154,517

Further particulars to 1949-50 are given in Chapter V.—Transport and Communication (part B. Railways).

4. Other Sources of Revenue.—Revenue derived by Consolidated Revenue Fund from the Territories of the Commonwealth during 1950-51 amounted to £1,150,000 (Australian Capital Territory, £831,000: Northern Territory, £319,000). Of other sources of revenue, amounting in 1950-51 to £14,663,000, the following are noteworthy:—Interest, £2,521,000; Civil Aviation, £3,504,000; and Net Profit on Australian Note Issue, £3,394,000.

Division III.—Expenditure.

1. Details of Expenditure from Consolidated Revenue.—The following table shows details of the expenditure from the Consolidated Revenue Fund during the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51.

COMMONWEALTH CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND: EXPENDITURE. (£'000.)

Departments, etc.	1938-39.	1946-47.	1947–48.	1948–49.	1949-50.	1950-51.
Defence Services (a)	8,061	1	69,148	56,304	42,774	74,045
War (1939-45) and Repatriation Services (b)		159,836	62,593	111,494	74,821	1
War (1914–18) and Repatriation Services (b)		-	-			29,635
Services (b) Subsidies and Bounties (c) Total Cost of Departments—	19,257 236	19,259 30,390	19,674 45,882	21,647 23,108	21,773 20,683	40,537
Governor-General	33	47	45 828	52	45	53
Parliament Prime Minister	445 1,133	736		771 2,239	1,182 2,734	1,473 3,954
External Affairs	70	1,305		1,661	1,972	3,778
Treasury	2,258	4,765	5,747	6,170	6,617	8,285
Attorney-General	282		689	745		1,096
Interior	(d)	1,437			2,358 1,187	2,727
Civil Aviation	328	1,258	2 8 50	£ 028	6,500	1,742 8,488
Trade and Customs	838	1,418	1,648	1,827	2,152	2,681
Health	338	473	1 581	768	1,034	1,133
Commerce and Agriculture	984	4,410	5,024	5,155	1,700	2,040
Social Services	325	776	80I	1,073	1,357	1,826
Supply Shipping and Transport	(e) 215	! (e) 389	(e) 5,292	821	1,185 3,020	441
Territories	(f) ²¹³	56 56	5,292	3,947	3,020	1,473
Immigration	(d)	183	1,411		9,861	12,970
Labour and National Service		1,127	1,277	1,328	1,776	2,413
National Development Commonwealth Scientific and		227	353	319	402	771
Industrial Research Organi-			:		;	•
zation	223	1,252	1,579	1,825	2,007	2,566
National Welfare Fund (g)	16,428	64,647	88,043	110,058	123,288	132,680
Business Undertakings		i				!
Postmaster-General	15,028	26,756	32,171	40,919	47,512	54,802
Broadcasting Services	(h)	(h)	(h)	(h)	2,872	3,591
Railways	1,351	1,921	2,089	2,594	2,792	3,381
Territories	1,100	3,291	4,189	5,768	7,294	8,260
Capital Works and Services— Defence and War (1939-45)						
Services	1,349		3,288	5,624	12,500	75,125
Repatriation Postmaster-General	3,701	2,355	6,217 8,260	8,664 12,520	14,848	(i) 342 34,897
Broadcasting Services	(h)	7,161 (h)	(h)	(h)	157	212
Railways	142	114	148	223	482	1,461
Territories	739	1,226	1,447	2,628	3,161	5,085
Other	493	6,324	9,429	13,463	25,757	31,471
Total Capital Works and Services	6,565	22,417	28,789	43,122	73,697	148,593
Payments to or for States	15,649	60,381	66,660	78,604	101,132	128,032
Primary Production—Self Bal- ancing Items	(j) 2,015	18,819	8,914	19,329	14,073	58,197
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Grand Total	94,437	431,256	464,485	554,377	580,652	841,792
Per Head of Population	£ 8. d.	£ 8. d.	£ s. d. 60 15 11	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ 8. d

⁽a) For details see § 6, pages 796-7. (b) For details see § 7, page 798. (c) In previous issues of the Official Year fook part was included with War (1939-45) Services and the balance with Departments of Trade and Customs and Commerce and Agriculture. For details see pages 186-7. (d) Included with Department of the Interior. (e) Included with Defence Services. (f) Included with Prime Minister's Department. (g) For details see page 781. In 1938-39 expenditure consisted of Invalid and Age Pensions and Maternity Allowances. (h) Provided in part from Postmaster-General's Department Votes and balance from Wireless Broadcasting Trust Account. (i) In addition, £24,911,000 was provided from Loan Fund. (j) Assistance to Primary Producers.

Particulars for each department include interest, sinking fund, superannuation charges, etc., but do not include the expenditure on capital works and services and Defence, War and Repatriation Services. Details of expenditure of each department are shown in paragraph (2.) below.

A graphical representation of the revenue and expenditure of the Commonwealth Consolidated Revenue Fund appears on page 805. In this diagram Public Debt Charges (interest and sinking fund payments, etc.) are shown as a separate item, whereas in the table above, these charges are included in the section to which they relate. Details for 1950-51 are as follows:—Interest (including exchange on interest payments), £49,512,402; Sinking Fund, £17,087,439; Other Debt Charges, £375,032; Total, £66,974,873.

2. Total Cost of Departments.—(i) Introductory. Under the heading "Total Cost of Departments" are included (i) particulars of expenditure on the estimates of departments in respect of salaries and general expenses, and (ii) particulars of expenditure from special appropriations in respect of salaries of the Governor-General, Ministers, Judges, etc., Government contributions for superannuation, and interest and sinking fund charges, etc., allocated to departments. Expenditure from appropriations for Defence, War and Repatriation Services, and Capital Works and Services is not included.

Information on the functions of the several departments and the acts administered by the Ministers of Departments was published in Official Year Book No. 37, pages 76-86, and particulars of subsequent changes in departmental structure are given in this issue (pages 100-1).

(ii) Governor-General. Section 30 of the Constitution enacts that, until the Commonwealth Parliament otherwise provides, there shall be payable out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the salary of the Governor-General an annual sum of ten thousand pounds, and a provise is made that the salary of a Governor-General shall not be altered during his continuance in office. The expenditure in connexion with the Governor-General and establishment for the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51 was as follows:—

EXPENDITURE: GOVERNOR-GENERAL AND ESTABLISHMENT.

(£.)

Details.	1938-39.	1946–47.	1947-48.	1948–49.	1949-50.	1950-51.
Salary Government Houses, mainten-	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
ance, etc	12,305 5,381 5,079	23,956 8,565 4,082	24,748 5,649 4,446	32,219 5,122 4,956	24,878 4,779 5,090	31,410 6,477 4,873
Total	32,765	46,603	44,843	52,297	44,747	52,760

⁽a) Represents official services outside the Governor-General's personal interests, and carried out mainly at the instance of the Government.

(iii) Parliament. Under this head have been grouped all the items of expenditure connected with the Commonwealth parliamentary government of Australia for the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51. Although the administration of the Electoral Act and the conduct of elections come within the functions of the Department of the Interior, the expenditure in connexion therewith is fundamentally incurred on account of the parliamentary government system and for that reason is included herein.

EXPENDITURE: COMMONWEALTH PARLIAMENT.

1938-39. 1946-47. 1947-48. 1948-49. 1949-50. Details 1950-51. Salaries of Ministers 29,150 29,150 29,150 19,325 89,978 Allowances to Senators 36,171 36,200 54,300 54,300 74,429 Allowances to Members of House of Representatives 184,425 74,900 74,928 111,358 112,000 151,970 Parliamentary Retiring Allowances 12,290 255,898 11,164 188,748 85,799 159,358 215,470 Officers, staff, contingencies, etc. 370,456 22,000 34,924 28,479 42,417 71,920 138,411 49,600 59,269 Travelling expenses of Members Electoral Office 121,548 41,429 85,143 70,973 120,774 106,231 208,939 260,535 210,458 . . 146,660 176,648 154,848 38,079 2,647 Election expenses 3,232 Administration of Electoral Act 52,436 20,029 79,407 83,567 30,539 . . Interest and Sinking Fund .. 33,170 36,144 40,304 41,393 I 39,595 9.068 Miscellaneous 15,401 11,349 735,576 828,474 770.893 1,182,324 1,472,648 Total 444,873

In Section 66 of the Constitution provision is made for the payment from Consolidated Revenue of an annual sum for the salaries of Ministers, and Section 48 specifies the amount of the allowance to each Senator and each Member of the House of Representatives. These details, together with subsequent increases, will be found on pages 14 and 18 of this volume, while details of the cost of parliamentary government of the Commonwealth and each State will be found on page 102.

(iv) Prime Minister's Department. Since the tables published in the last issue of the Official Year Book were prepared, several changes have occurred in departmental structure (see pages 100-1). This department has been affected as follows. In May, 1949, the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research, which was under the control of the Prime Minister's Department, was abolished, and the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization was constituted; early in 1950 the Office of Education and the Division of Economic Policy were transferred from the Department of Post-war Reconstruction to the Prime Minister's Department. In respect of each of these changes the table below has been amended so that the figures are comparable throughout the periods shown; that is, expenditure on the Office of Education and the Division of Economic Policy is incorporated in the table back to 1946-47, and the expenditure on the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research has been deleted and is now included under the heading of the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization (see page 784). External territories were administered by the Prime Minister's Department until June, 1941, when the Department of External Territories was created. Particulars of expenditure relating to the administration of external territories for the years 1946-47 to 1950-51 are shown under the heading of the Department of Territories (see page 783). The expenditure of the Prime Minister's Department for the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51 is shown in the following table:-

EXPENDITURE: PRIME MINISTER'S DEPARTMENT.

Details. 1938-39. 1946-47. 1947-48. 1948-49. 1949-50. 1950-51. Salaries, contingencies and miscellaneous 210,770 203,150 203,854 147,561 244,257 389,002 (a)921,624 108,724 94,456 263,269 38,434 50,688 192,050 Audit Office 210,598 271,789 Public Service Board 288,765 143,435 380,791 High Commissioner's Office, London . . 81,369 351,490 450.012 485,423 547,577 820,999 383,377 471,738 Office of Education 494,803 . . 495,490 Security Services 13,000 (b) 208,000 Mail Service, Pacific Islands Australian National University North Australia Survey (b) (b) (b) (b)49,077 14,000 50,000 102,000 216,000 280,000 10.000 • • . . National Oil Ptv. Ltd. Agreement 60.000 Pensions and Superannuation 10,473 14,036 18,790 27,837 27,580 32,016 9,976 15,478 613,696 410,459 446,863 483,595 496,691 476,006 .. 1,132,627 1,510,259 1,856,641 2,239,084 2,734,525 Total 3,954,280

⁽a) Includes £268,567, Jubilee Celebrations, 1951.

⁽b) Included with Department of Territories.

(v) Department of External Affairs. Expenditure of the department for the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51 is shown in the following table:—

EXPENDITURE: DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS.

		(£.)				
Details.	1938–39.	1946-47.	1947–48.	1948-49.	1949-50.	195051.
Salaries and General Expenses—						
Administrative	20,129	224,617	230,028	239,171	284,451	381,919
Embassies—			}			
. China		72,993	57,188	47,244	27,386	14,888
Eire		9,011	12,496	15,868	13,115	16,476
France		40,015	53,692	56,816	52,395	55,136
Netherlands		13,818	19,134	24,289	17,491	24,262
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics		26,153	55,356	49,448	63,440	67,468
United States of America	1	136,691	142,615	95,649	120,046	172,572
United States of Indonesia		(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	35,413
Legations—	ł	ŀ			i	
Brazil		26,274	29,138	20,017	28,222	24,193
Chile	٠	29,603	18,218	17,727	3,091	
Egypt					7,524	22,443
Israel					19,814	26,823
Italy					26,487	30,800
Philippine Islands		(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	32,769
High Commissioners (b)—				1		
Canada		32,200	35,459	28,971	37,642	39,705
India		28,457	33,977	34,386	36,726	41,245
New Zealand	١	13,723	15,911	17,625	21,283	23,612
Pakistan	1		2,437	10,468	30,498	44,162
South Africa		22,471	18,927	18,857	22,821	19,093
Consular Representation abroad		143,610	211,299	190,946	218,379	198,343
Other Representation abroad		46,625	60,122	60,911	64,916	74,650
International Labour Organization,	:					
United Nations Organization and	i		1]	ļ	
other International agencies-Con-	!		ļ	!	!	
tributions and Representation at		!	ļ	i	į.	
Conferences	43,329	413,251	577,240	618,465	778,051	787,875
Contributions to International Relief		(c)	(c)	(c)	(c)	1,510,545
Australian National Antarctic Re-	,	1	1 ''	1		
search Expedition	1	20,062	254,755	107,529	84,200	118,924
Miscellaneous	6,710	5,697	3,593	7,031	13,766	14,520
Total	70,168	1,305,271	1,831,585	1,661,418	1,971,744	3,777,836
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⁽a) Provided under Consular Representation abroad. (b) For High Commissioner, United Kingdom, see Prime Minister's Department. (c) Provided under War and Repatriation Services (see page 798).

(vi) Department of the Treasury. The sub-departments under the control of the Commonwealth Treasurer are the Treasury, the Supply and Tender Board, Taxation Office, Superannuation Board, and the Commonwealth Bureau of Census and Statistics. The Government Printing Office is also a sub-department of the Treasury, but its expenditure is charged to Parliament and the Departments utilizing its services. Details of the expenditure of the Treasury for the years 1938–39 and 1946–47 to 1950–51 are given in the following table:—

EXPENDITURE: DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY.

(1.)											
Details.		1938-39.	1946-47.	1947-48.	1948-49.	1949-50.	1950-51.				
Treasury (a) Taxation Office Superannuation Board Census and Statistics Census. Rent, repairs, etc. Intrest and Sinking Fund Exchange Loan conversion expenses Miscellaneous			56,528 618,537 8,623 60,939 4,113 23,088 911,004 514,240 1,588 58,968	235,035 2,529,374 14,291 132,717 244,415 90,695 903,130 374,891 3,039 146,869	282,542 3,261,302 19,659 169,321 143.604 97,487 1,012,066 341,039 160,801 258,837	28,273 227,246 82,293	273,682 23,882 103,769	324,688 5,326,217 52,192 373,998 10,188 142,375 1,246,809 436,602 3,523 368,630			
Total			2,257,628	4,764,456	5,746,658	6,170,252	6,616,962	8,285,222			

(vii) Attorney-General's Department. Details of expenditure for the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51 are furnished below:—

EXPENDITURE: ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT.

(£.) 1938-39. Details. 1946-47. 1947-48. 1948-49. 1949-50. 1950-51. Attorney-General's Office 19,699 42,922 44,098 59,687 78,835 123,164 Crown Solicitor's Office 27,642 104,317 123,658 133,689 140,132 179,225 Salaries of Justices of High 18,500 Court ... 21,600 28,400 28,500 28,300 32,000 . . High Court expenses 21,662 15,615 19,014 24,157 29,296 37,340 Court of Conciliation and 117,868 Arbitration 89,581 24,046 60,070 133,962 139.170 Public Service Arbitrator 5,919 8,839 11,399 4,983 9,279 12,934 . . Patents, Trade Marks, etc. . . 71,126 97,642 127,862 145,661 151,572 196,799 Investigation Branch 16,219 52,125 59,198 66,506 64,502 78,769 . . Bankruptcy 41,449 49,200 78,682 . . 44,551 54,641 59,315 45,062 52,600 Reporting Branch 36,855 25,058 70,725 13,922 . . Legal Service Bureau 36,867 46,107 (a) (a)57,921 . . Rent, repairs, etc. 15,131 36,277 32,175 36,295 41,011 56,136 26,910 Miscellaneous 20,497 . . 9,127 24,201 29,636 33,409 Total 281,497 569,234 688,572 745,106 820,560 1,096,274 . .

(a) Provided under War and Repatriation Services (see page 798).

(viii) Department of the Interior. Particulars of the expenditure for the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51 on services (other than Railways, Territories and the Electoral Office) under the control of this Department are shown in the table below.

In 1938-39 the administration of Commonwealth public works and immigration was the responsibility of the Department of the Interior and the expenditure for that year includes these services. For the years 1946-47 to 1950-51 the expenditure on these services is included under the respective departments. Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory, which are administered by the Department of the Interior are for convenience included under Territories, while expenditure in connexion with the Electoral Office, which is administered by the Department of the Interior, is included under Parliament. Commonwealth Railways, whose administration passed to the Department of Shipping and Fuel from the Department of the Interior in March, 1950, is also shown separately—see Railways below.

In March, 1950 the Department of Information was abolished and the News and Information Bureau was established under the control of the Department of the Interior. The table below has been revised to include expenditure on information services from 1946-47.

EXPENDITURE: DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.(a)

(3.)											
1938-39.	1946-47.	1947-48.	1948-49.	1949-50.	1950-51.						
380,550	615,521	720,509	877,707	1,016,945	1,236,456						
80,107			194,963	291,601	398,772						
6,816	22,887	32,301	36,028	45,449	55,739						
10,436	28,709	45,008	51,096	60,151							
17,618	101,134	119,158	129,966	174,283	216,358						
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20,567	21,761	29,367	31,005	33,437	41,479						
690,061	484,046	533,337	604,908								
69,237	102,295			118,420							
1,275,392	1,436,931	1,703,514	2,039,354	2,357,654	2,727,293						
	380,550 80,107 6,816 10,436 17,618 20,567 690,061 69,237	380,550 615,521 80,107 60,578 6,816 22,887 10,436 28,709 17,618 101,134 20,567 21,761 690,061 484,046 69,237 102,295	380,550 615,521 720,509 80,107 60,578 116,424 6,816 22,887 32,301 10,436 28,709 45,008 17,618 101,134 119,158 20,567 21,761 29,367 690,061 484,046 533,337 69,237 102,295 107,410	1938-39. 1946-47. 1947-48. 1948-49.	1938-39. 1946-47. 1947-48. 1948-49. 1949-50. 380,550 80,107 60,578 116,424 194,963 291,601 6,816 22,887 32,301 36,028 45,449 10,436 28,709 45,008 51,096 60,151 174,283 20,567 21,761 29,367 31,005 33,437 690,061 484,046 533,337 604,908 617,368						

⁽a) Excludes Railways, Territories and Electoral Office.

(ix) Department of Works and Housing. In February, 1945 the Department of Works was formed to take over Commonwealth works from the Department of the Interior. The functions of this department were expanded in July, 1945 to include Housing, which had previously been controlled by the Department of Post-war Reconstruction. Details of expenditure for the years 1946-47 to 1950-51 are shown in the following table:—

EXPENDITURE: DEPARTMENT OF WORKS AND HOUSING.

	(20)											
Details.	1946-47.	1947-48.	1948-49.	1949-50.	1950-51.							
Administrative—Salaries and general expenses Pensions. Superannuation	1,500,217	1,659,389	1,872,538	1,058,035	1,594,430							
and Retiring Allowances Rent, repairs and mainten-	8,102	11,168	13,378	16,080	21,406							
ance	92,525	82,139	111,931	113,035	126,280							
Total	1,600,844	1,752,696	1,997.847	1,187,150	1,742,116							

(x) Department of Civil Aviation. Particulars of expenditure of the Department of Civil Aviation for the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51 are as follows:—

EXPENDITURE: DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL AVIATION.

(£.)										
Details.	193839.	1946-47.	1947-48.	1948-49.	1949-50.	1950-51.				
Administrative—Salaries and general expenses Development and Maintenance of Civil Aviation Meteorological Services Flying Boat Bases Domestic Air Services International Air Services Ent. repairs and maintenance	89,946 162,232 55,919	202,132 149,330 38,444 10,000	173,100 54,845 579,596 1,296,058	604,291 219,000 63,147 641,525 1,470,531	222,500 91,659 820,485 1,624,201	1,767,034 264,905 (a) 795,255 2,245,717				
Interest and Sinking Fund	11,625					235,345 11,051				
Total	328,150	1,258,312	3,859,020	5,027,811	6,500,440	8,488,217				

⁽a) Provided under Administrative and Development and Maintenance of Civil Aviation.

(xi) Department of Trade and Customs. Under this Department has been included the expenditure of all the sub-departments under the control of the Minister for Trade and Customs. The table has been revised to exclude bounties and subsidies which are now dealt with separately, (for details see page 787). Particulars for the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51 are given in the following table:—

EXPENDITURE: DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND CUSTOMS.

(£.)										
Details.		1938-39.	1946-47.	1947–48.	1948-49.	1949–50.	1950-51.			
Administrative Tariff Board Film Censorship Prices Branch Audit (proportion) Pensions and Superannuation Rent, repairs, etc. Interest and Sinking Fund Remissions of duty Miscellaneous		691,723 13,252 4,466 11,786 45,063 7,373 34,321 28,768 1,736	(a) 20,765 51,571 32,292 27,735 46,195	16,092 6,309 (a) 18,135 67,502 59,357 30,198 47,684	70,337 82,697 33,635 18,786	16,914 9,721 (a) 16,315 74,708 80,094 34,558 31,809	28,914 11,317 21,146 21,437 87,507 43,343 33,119 40,212			
Total		838,488	1,417,610	1,648,415	1,826,434	2,152,082	2,681,089			

⁽a) Provided under War and Repatriation Services. (b) Includes £55,000 compensation under Motor Manufacture Repeal Act 1945. (c) Includes assistance to the Cotton Marketing Board, £68,978.

(xii) Department of Health. Details of expenditure for the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51 are given in the table which follows. Expenditure on National Health and other services from the National Welfare Fund which are administered by the Health Department is shown in sub-para. (xiv).

EXPENDITURE: DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH.

(£.)

Details.	1938–39.	1946–47.	1947–48.	1948-49.	1949–50.	1950-51.
Administrative Health Services (a) Quarantine Interest and Sinking Fund Rent and Repairs Pensions and Superannuation Subsidy, Crittle Tick Control	 135,506 3,492 (b) 23,661 14,102 2,870 69,450	196,369 22,325 (b) 20,132 37,607 5,261 53,325	261,109 42,795 (b) 21,549 42,237 7,950 53,325	152,938 204,889 66,462 23,512 54,798 9,746 53,325	209,153 173,766 79,997 24,067 43,182 9,366 253,325	297,059 286,994 143,247 23,300 51,793 12,469 53,000
Medical Research Nutrition—Publicity and surveys World Health Organization Child Health Centres Council for National Fitness Aerial Medical Services subsidy Miscellancous	30,000 2,969 5,000 371 5,000 (c) 45,734	32,010 3,274 20,000 72,500 7,500 3,099	50,000 199 20,000 72,500 7,500 1,728	55,000 44,760 20,000 72,500 7,500 2,124	68,047 56,934 25,000 72,500 12,500 (d) 6,124	85,000 59,742 25,000 72,500 20,869 1,970
Total	 338,155	473,392	580,892	767,554	1,033,961	1,132,943

⁽a) Includes X-ray and Radium Laboratory, Acoustics Laboratory, administration of Pharmaceutical Services, etc. (b) Included under Administrative. (c) Includes reserve of essential drugs and medical equipment, £39,430. (d) Includes subscription to International Veterinary Bureau, £4,937.

(xiii) Department of Commerce and Agriculture. Particulars of the expenditure of the Department of Commerce and Agriculture for the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51 are given below:—

EXPENDITURE: DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND AGRICULTURE.

(£.)

Details.	1938-39.	1946~47.	1947-48.	1948-49.	1949-50.	1950-51.
Administrative	58,218	150,726	222,678	223,130	239,669	296,046
Descriptions) Act	174,876	297,483	348,368	100,456	446,503	516,052
Division of Agricultural Economics	-,4,0,0	18,316		34,358	44,187	77,706
Division of Agricultural Production.	1	10,510	30,687	28,925	33,580	41,493
Oversea Trade publicity	67,016	12,267		11,647	11.500	12,966
Commercial intelligence service abroad	47,248	110,247	178,381	191,602	200,640	241,030
Wool publicity and research	73,816	110,24/	170,301	191,002	200,040	
Wool use promotion and research	, ,,,,,,	229,957	546,839	317,452	340,970	347,506
Herd testing		10,827	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
Drought Relief	1 ::	729,196	556,036	43	10,432	1,079
Research, experimental, investigation	1	729,190	330,030	7-3	1 -0,43-	1,079
. and development work		8,485	2,932	9.766	5.541	6,085
Agricultural machinery control		12,624	10,114	4,448	3:34-	0,000
Assistance to Tasmanian Primary	1	1,	,	7,77	1 ''	1
Producers		75,000				!
Wheat Industry Stabilization Board		28,094	27,384	27,557		1
Emergency transport of wheat	1	1,500,468	143,278	-7,337	34,992	9,121
Wheat contract with New Zealand		876.962		3,537,426	34,99-	1
International Wheat Council-Con-	'''	0,0,902	2,092,337	3,337,420		1
tributions		١	1	١	4,084	3,831
Dairy Industry Efficiency Grant		::	1	141,356	101,519	204,745
Rent, repairs, maintenance, etc	13,081	20,370	12,230	10,266	8,612	8,558
Pensions and Retiring Allowances	12,959	9,868	15,674	14,628	14,689	17,981
Interest	198,599	224,716	130,936	148,508	151,591	141,052
Sinking Fund	245,404	57,633	22,470	23,594	24,774	26,013
All Other	(a)92,416	36,391	21,633	9,882	6,708	(b) 68.810
					<u> </u>	
Total	(c)983,633	4,409,639	5,023,917	5,155,044	1,700,000	2,040,074

⁽a) Includes representation at New York World Fair, £39,780, and San Francisco Exhibition, £21,335.
(b) Includes £29,817 for legal costs.
(c) Revised to exclude £10,462, Fruit Bounties, now included under Subsidies and Bounties.

(xiv.) Social Services. The Department of Social Services, constituted during 1940-41, administers Age and Invalid Pensions, Maternity Allowances, Child Endowment, Widows' Pensions, and Unemployment and Sickness Benefits. Particulars of administrative expenditure during the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51 are as follows:—

EXPENDITURE: DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES.

(£.)											
Details.	1938–39.	1946-47.	1947-48.	1948-49.	 - 1949–50. 	1950-51.					
Administrative Child Endowment Branch Age and Invalid Pensions		23,783 150,884	44,128 173,607	55,325 206,241	91,997 260,294	101,581					
and Maternity Allowances Branch Widows' Pensions Branch. Unemployment and Sickness		279,504 2 7,673	333,146 32,201	425,804 40,320	524,755 41,076	£1,584,620					
Benefits Branch				52,396	76,354	J .					
Total	324,734	776,129	801,152	1,072,801	1,356,736	1,825,796					

Expenditure from the Consolidated Revenue and National Welfare Funds on Social Services during the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51, including services administered by the Department of Health, is shown in the following table:—

EXPENDITURE ON SOCIAL SERVICES.

Details.		1938-39.	1946-47.	1947–48.	1948-49.	1949-50.	1950-51.
Age and Invalid Pensions Funeral Benefits		15,991,782	29,416,673 209,349	36,526,395 209,588			
Widows' Pensions	• •		3,366,288				
Maternity Allowances	• • •	436,614	3,026,459				
Child Endowment	• • •	430,514	19,862,933				
Unemployment and Sicki			19,002,933	19,4-3,510	1 -4:3-3:4-3	30,337,303	43,584,614
Benefit			1,650,125	1,217,474	1,070,426	2,506,425	1,037,213
Community Rehabilitation			-,-3-,3	-,,,4,4	33.979		
Hospital Benefits] ::	4,380,296	4,448,015	5,880,476		
Pharmaceutical Benefits			1,3,.5.	17 17 - 7 - 13	149,037		
Tuberculosis Benefits			109,603	27,590			
National Health Services-			, ,		"-,-,,	331,33-	~,-/3,399
	en-						
sioners		·					75,511
Nutrition of Children							35.775
Miscellaneous		۱ ا	٠. '			93,888	130,628
Mental Institution Benefits						255,586	405,654
Rental Rebates under Hous	ing	i					1.37
Agreement				• •	• •	564	3,021
Total		16,428,396	62,021,726	68,612,684	80,777,356	92,803,624	114,983,375
Balance remaining in Natio	nal 	٠,,	2,625,010	19,429,928	29,280,634	30,484,066	17,696,468
Grand Total		16,428,396	64,646,736	88,042,612	110,057,990	123,287,690	132,679,843

(xv) Department of Supply.—Early in 1950 the Departments of Supply and Development, and Shipping and Fuel were abolished, and the three Departments of Supply—Fuel, Shipping and Transport—and National Development were established. The Department of Supply took over the supply sections of the former Department of Supply and Development. Before 1948-49 expenditure for all the functions now performed by the Department of Supply was provided under Defence and War and Repatriation.

Services. In the following table expenditure on services now controlled by this Department, and not provided under Defence or War and Repatriation Services, is shown for the years 1948-49 to 1950-51:—

EXPENDITURE: DEPARTMENT OF SUPPLY.

(£.)

Details.	1948–49.	1949-50.	1950-51.
Administration—Salaries and general expenses Ship Construction—Salaries and general expenses Transport and Storage Services Reserves of Stores and Materials Mining Industry—Assistance Electricity Supply in Australia—Development Bureau of Mineral Resources—Operations	40,000 66,795 571,783 102,086 23,632 16,642	75,000 70,534 977,105 10,807 29,110 11,222	55,000 80,011 284,881 (a) 21,358 (a)
Total	820,938	1,185,263	441,250

⁽a) Provided under Department of National Development.

(xvi) Department of Shipping and Transport. This Department, formed early in 1950, was at first known as the Department of Fuel, Shipping and Transport and took over the functions of the former Departments of Shipping and Fuel and of Transport. In May, 1951, the fuel function was transferred to the Department of National Development.

The table below shows expenditure on these functions for the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51:—

EXPENDITURE: DEPARTMENT OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT.

(£.)

Details.		1938-39.	1946-47.	1947–48.	1948-49.	1949–50.	1950-51.
Administrative Marine Branch	n Chin	208,129	(a)54,618 320,957	795,549 359,582	597,566 392,885		
Shipping Branch and Australia ping Board Stevedoring Industry Joint Coal Board Rent, repair and maintenance o	 		(b) (b)	2,087,795 260,472 866,500	670,128		
ings Audit (proportion) Pensions and Superannuation Miscellaneous	: bund-	1,398 5,305	12,958	82,478 (e) 839,533	8,477 3,791	5,085 4,742	20,081 35,964 7,998 19,549
Total		214,832	389,387	5,291,909	3,947,453	3,020,405	1,472,888

 ⁽a) Transport only, remainder provided under Defence and War and Repatriation Services.
 (b) Provided under War and Repatriation Services.
 (c) Provision also made under Administrative.
 (d) Provided under Department of Labour and National Service.
 (e) Includes Reserves of Stores and Materials, £764,098.

(xvii) Department of Territories. This Department was set up in June, 1941 to administer the Commonwealth External Territories of Papua, New Guinea, Norfolk Island and Nauru. In May, 1951, it took over administration of the Northern Territory from the Department of the Interior. Expenditure of the Department for the years 1946-47 to 1950-51 is shown hereunder. Particulars of expenditure on Territories are given in sub-para. (xxv) following.

EXPENDITURE: DEPARTMENT OF TERRITORIES.

(£.)

Details.	1946–47.	1947~48.	1948-49.	1949-50.	1950-51.
Administration — Salaries and general expenses Shipping and mail services to the	42,338	53,952	73,776	88,452	126,889
Pacific Islands Superannuation	12,367 183	130 249	 248	 249	 509
Rent, repair and maintenance of buildings	909	909	866	2,270	905
Total	55, 797	55,240	74,890	90,971	128,303

(xviii) Department of Immigration. This Department was formed in July, 1945 to administer immigration, naturalization, etc. Prior to the formation of the Department, this work was carried out by a section of the Department of the Interior. Expenditure for the years 1946-47 to 1950-51 is shown in the following table:—

EXPENDITURE: DEPARTMENT OF IMMIGRATION.

(£.)

Details.	1946-47.	1947–48.	1948-49.	1949-50.	1950-51.
Administration — Salaries and					
general expenses	128,268	207,126	396,212	819,971	888,101
British migration	32,772	902,202	1,338,334		
Displaced persons from Europe		163,710	1,334,953	4,041,772	
Other Assisted Immigration	93	61,464	126,112	257,737	399,804
Reception and Training and		1			
Holding Centres—		•			
Equipment		28,691	207,844	744,656	800,396
Maintenance			(a)	(a)	3,519,56
Contributions to States to-					
wards establishment		12,753	30,647	9,115	25,011
Workers' Hostels				1,023,259	1,846,312
Medical and Hospital treatment		!			
for Migrants		3,852	25,031		
Education in English Language			5 ,498	52,185	163,925
Miscellaneous	15,491	24,475			115,285
Superannuation	17	447	689	1,153	934
Rent, repair and maintenance of					
buildings	6,578	6,287	3,747	76,416	263,066
Total	183,219	1.411.007	3,588,938	9.801.437	12.960.76

⁽a) Included with Displaced persons from Europe.

(xix) Department of Lubour and National Service. This Department was set up during the 1939-45 War for the purpose of mobilizing the nation's man-power and to deal with matters affecting industrial relations, welfare and training, and war housing. The Department's post-war functions relate to industrial matters, vocational training (other than University type) of discharged members of the Forces, the operation of the Commonwealth Employment Service, etc.

Prior to 1946-47, expenditure on this Department was included under Defence, War and Repatriation Services. Expenditure for the years 1946-47 to 1950-51 is shown in the following table:—

EXPENDITURE: DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR AND NATIONAL SERVICE. (£.)

Details.		1946-47.	1947-48.	1948-49.	1949-50.	1950-51.
Administrative		1,031,651	1,178,557	1,242,624	1,675,015	1,900,185
Stevedoring Industry		(a) '	(a)	(a)	(a)	420,409
Superannuation		37	597	684	756	2,033
Rent, repair and maintenance	\mathbf{of}					
buildings		95,742	97,676	84,882	99,797	90,164
Total		1,127,430	1,276,740	1,328,190	1,775,568	2,412,791

⁽a) Provided under Department of Shipping and Transport.

(xx) Department of National Development. This Department was formed early in 1950 to carry out the Government's policy for national development. Transferred to it from other Departments were—the Division of Industrial Development and the Regional Planning Division (from the former Department of Post-war Reconstruction) and the Bureau of Mineral Resources (from the former Department of Supply and Development). In May, 1951, the Fuel Branch of the Department of Fuel, Shipping and Transport was also transferred to it.

Expenditure on the services now performed by the Department of National Development is shown in the following table for the years 1946-47 to 1950-51:—

EXPENDITURE: DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT.

Details.	1946-47.	1947–48.	1948–49.	1949–50.	1950-51.
Administrative—Salaries and general expenses Bureau of Mineral Resources Rent, repair and maintenance of buildings. Total	193,604 (a) 33,388 226,992	321,147 (a) 31,679	287,991 (b) 30,502	298,451 (c) 78,284 24,816	436,778 282,309 51,955
	220,992	352,826	318,493	401,551	771,042

⁽a) Provided under Defence and War and Repatriation Services.

(b) Provided under Department of Supply.

(xxi) Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization. This organization was created in May, 1949, when the former Council for Scientific and Industrial Research, controlled by the Prime Minister's Department, was abolished.

The table below shows expenditure on the services now performed by the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization for the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51:—

EXPENDITURE: COMMONWEALTH SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH ORGANIZATION.

(20)									
Details.	1938–39.	1946-47.	1947-48.	1948-49.	1949-50.	1950-51.			
Administrative— Salaries and general expenses	20,907	89,597	111,621	142,215	169,977	229,800			
Investigations	174,424	1,125,680	1,409,689	1,615,119 6,388	1,737,343	2,225,420			
Commonwealth Agricultural	• •	• •	1,935	0,300	22,917	21,535			
Bureaux—Contributions	10,134	10,427	20,358	20,358	20,358	20,358			
Standards Association of Aus-	9								
traliaGrant	8,000	19,500	24,000	27,000		33,000			
Other Contributions, etc	9,750	6,508	11,464.	13,705	14,331	20,793			
Rent, repair and maintenance of	i	Į.				1			
buildings	··				12,277	15;122			
Total	223,215	1,251,712	1,579,067	1,824,785	2,007,203	2,566,028			

(xxii) Postmaster-General's Department. From the beginning of 1949-50, Broadcasting Services were separated from the Postmaster-General's Department. In years prior to 1949-50 part of the expenditure on these services is included with the Postmaster-General's Department. Details of the expenditure of this Department for the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51 are given in the following table:—

EXPENDITURE: POSTMASTER-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT.

(£.)										
Details.	1938–39.	1945-17.	1947-48.	1948~49.	1949-50.	1950-51.				
Salaries, stores and materials, mail, engineering services, etc. Public Works Statt—Salaries, etc.	11,563,510 60,000	100	27,854,862	36,457,765 1 94,000	42,805,882	49,652,673 (a)				
Audit (proportion) Pensions and Retiring Allow-	11,660	13,000	13,000	13,000	17,000	17,000				
ances Superannuation	75,113 316,747	30,329 428,445	27,989 575,103	26,986 613,885	23,058 641,546	20,020 775,279				
Rents, repairs, etc	114,183 1,398,690 1,128,933	223,310 1,072,607 1.759,210	335,978 984,404 1,857,680	461,329 924,164 1,950,552	599,302 864,268 2,048,014	733,471				
Exchange	359,397	428,827	396,143	377,437	417,201	696,005				
sion expenses		104,973	57,985							
Total	15,028,233	26,755,701	32,171,144	40,919,118	47,512,271	54,802,414				

⁽a) Expenditure charged to various works.

Further details of expenditure for 1949-50 on account of the Postmaster-General's Department appear in Chapter V.—Transport and Communication (part I., Posts, Telegraphs, Telephones and Wireless).

(xxiii) Broadcasting Services. Since 1949-50 all expenditure on broadcasting services has been brought together in one section. Previously these services had been financed partly by the Postmaster-General's Department and partly from the Wireless Broadcasting Trust Account. Details of expenditure for 1949-50 and 1950-51 are shown in the following table:—

EXPENDITURE: BROADCASTING SERVICES.

	1949–50.	1950-51,					
Australian Broadca Australian Broadca				ies, gener	al and	36,665	58,900
programme exp Technical and other	penses r Service	 es—Post	 master-G			1,539,314	2,010,29 3 1,508,518
Repairs and mainte Audit (proportion)				• •		5,748	12,169 900
Total	• •		•			2,872,157	3,590,780

(xxiv) Railways. The Commonwealth Railways, previously administered by the Department of the Interior, were transferred in March, 1950 to the newly-formed Department of Fuel, Shipping and Transport (later Shipping and Transport). The expenditure on railways for the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51 is shown below.

EXPENDITURE: COMMONWEALTH RAILWAYS.

		(20.7				
Details.	1938-39.	1946–47.	1947–48.	1948-49.	1949-50.	1950–51.
Working expenses— Trans-Australian North Australia Central Australia	493,463 55,186 214,374	52,222	55,489	55,485	74,090	
Aust. Capital Territory	7,365	13,195	15,013	17,666	18,689	26,260
Interest Sinking Fund	392,194 75,230					
Exchange	62,674					
tralia (Port Augusta-Port						
Pirie Railway)	20,000					20,000
Superannuation Freight concessions—North	13,467	19,381	27,777	27,165	27,979	34,005
Australia and Central		į				
Australia Railways			• •	203,841		296,538
Miscellaneous	17,088	a 104,286	(a)77,936	(a)56,358	(a)58,972	(a)55,516
Total	1,351,041	1,921,172	2,088,611	2,594,320	2,791,901	3,380,631

⁽a) Includes loans, redemption and conversion expenses, 1946-47, £54,648; 1947-48, £20,274; 1948-49, £903; 1949-50, £6,808; and 1950-51, £402.

Additional details of the financial operations of the Commonwealth Railways to 1949-50 are given in Chapter V.—Transport and Communication (part B, Railways).

(xxv) Territories. The following table shows the expenditure on account of territorial services for the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51. The Australian Capital Territory is administered by the Department of the Interior, and the Department of Territories controls the external territories and the Northern Territory. The expenditure has been grouped in one table for convenience. Information in greater detail will be found in the Finance Bulletins issued by this Bureau.

EXPENDITURE: TERRITORIES.

(£. Details. 1948-49. 1938-39. 1946-47. 1947-48. 1949-50. 1950-51. Internal-Australian Capital(a)637,228 941,275 1,045,181 1,240,131 1,519,090 1,923,726 Northern (a) 402,899 819,613 861,180 1,105,154 1,421,478 1,814,316 External-Papua 48,830 1,526,342 2,278,043 3,418,351 4,348,427 4,518,034 New Guinea . . 5,532 Norfolk Island 4,076 4,481 5,471 4,075 4,540 4,479 3,291,305 | 4,188,480 | 5,768,176 | 7,293,474 Total .. 11,099,960

(a) Excludes Railways, see para. XXIV.

^{3.} Subsidies and Bounties.—The following table shows details, for the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51, of Commonwealth expenditure from revenue on subsidies, bounties and assistance to primary producers. Expenditure on special relief such as drought, frost, flood and bush fire, etc., is not included, nor are items of expenditure grouped under "Primary Production—Self Balancing Items". These items of expenditure are from the proceeds of certain taxes on primary products and profits from

marketing schemes, which have been paid to trust funds for the purpose of price or other stabilization schemes or for distribution to producers. Information relating to these schemes and other assistance to primary producers is given in Chapter XX.—Agricultural Production.

Previously, particulars of price stabilization subsidies and assistance to primary producers were included in this chapter partly with expenditure on War (1939-45) and Repatriation Services and partly with departmental expenditure. As the items included with War (1939-45) and Repatriation Services expenditure are no longer regarded as war expenditure, and because of the importance of the subject, they have now been combined in the one table following.

Details of price stabilization subsidies and of various forms of assistance to primary producers for earlier years may be found on pages 414 and 1014-5 respectively of Official Year Book No. 38.

EXPENDITURE: SUBSIDIES AND BOUNTIES. (£'000.)

					7	 		1
Item.			1938–39.	1946–47.	1947–48.	1948-49.	1949–50.	1950–51.
Subsidies—								
Price Stabilization—			ŀ		60.	. 66**	6.06	
70 - 4 - 4	• •	• •	1	4,414	6,840	4,667 1,065	6,986	7,129
Whole Milk	• •	• •	1	3,012	2,703 2,157	564		
Recoupment of Bas	ie Wage	in-		2,253	2,13/	304		
creases	no mago		j	2,307	600			
Imports (other than	Tea)		1 ::	3,691	8,539	7,605	572	
Coal	200,	::	1 ::	959	2,352	232		(a) 1,704
Firewood		• • •	::	315	257	5	::	
Rubber	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	• • •	1 ::	333		,		1 ::
Raw Wool	• •	::	1	3,417	9,227			
Tobacco	• •		1	618	41	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	1 ::	1 ::
Other			::	1,322	2,306	682	l ::	140
Other	••	••		-,,,,,,,	2,300		··-	
Total	••			22,641	35,031	14,820	7,558	8,973
Assistance to Primary	Productio	n						
Dairy Industry			• • •	1,739	7,018	4,653	8,008	(b)14,998
Superphosphate				2,987	3,491	3,374	3,657	263
Nitrogenous Fertilize				187	130	164	781	599
Jute Products for	Primary	In-	ì	1				ł
dustry	_ •:		• • •	992	164		2	
Assistance to Stock 1				1,000	5	21		
Apple and Pear In				811		• •	• •	
	Restriction	15		1				1
Western Australia				2		• •		
Wheat Industry				1			622	683
Other	• •	• •			٠٠ ا	37	••	36
Total	••	••		7,719	10,808	8,249	13,070	16,579
Total Subsidies				30,360	45,839	23,069	20,628	25,552
Bounties-			· ·					
Tractor	• •	• •		23 6	20	37	54	90
Raw Cotton		• •	115	0	9	• • •	• •	
	• •	• •	1	(c) 65	· · · l			14,875
Wine Export	• •	• •	(d) 121		14	2	I	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
Other	••	••	(d) 121	I		··	•••	20
Total Bounties			236	95	43	39	55	14,985
Grand Total	• •		236	30,455	45,882	23,108	20,683	40,537

⁽a) Imported coal. (b) Dairy products. (c) Expenditure from Wine Export Encouragement Fund to which collections of excise on fortifying spirit and grape must were credited. (d) Includes Sulphur Bounty, £38,000.

4. Capital Works and Services.—The expenditure on capital works and services during the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51 was as follows:—

EXPENDITURE: CAPITAL WORKS AND SERVICES.

(£.)									
Details	1938–39.	1946-47.	1947-48.	1948–49.	1949-50.	1950-51.			
Departmental— Defence Other Business Undertakings Territories	634,046 3,842,955	8,679,030 7,275,152	15,646,373 8,4 0 7,646	22.126.639	40,605,233 17,430,706	a75,124,849 31,812,693 36,570,025 5,085,470			
Total	6,565,268	22,416,716	28,789,338	43,121,564	73,697,387	148,593,037			

⁽a) Provided under ordinary Defence Services. Defence Services.

A detailed statement of expenditure on Capital Works and Services from Revenue, Trust and Loan Funds will be found in § 5, page 795.

5. Defence, War and Repatriation Services.—Full details concerning the expenditure from Consolidated Revenue upon Defence, War and Repatriation Services will be found in §§ 6 and 7, pages 796-8.

Division IV.—Payments to or for the States.

- 1. General.—An outline of the provisions of the Constitution requiring the Commonwealth to make payments to the States, and of the systems which followed, is given in earlier issues of the Official Year Book (see No. 37, pages 633 to 638). In the following paragraphs reference is made to the agreements at present in operation.
- 2. Financial Agreement.—Details of the Financial Agreement between the Commonwealth and the States are given in Official Year Book No. 37. pages 685 to 690. Under this agreement the Commonwealth agreed to contribute £7,584,912 per annum towards interest payable on the State Debts for a period of 58 years from 1st July, 1927. This amount is to be distributed amongst the States as follows:—New South Wales, £2,917,411; Victoria, £2,127,159; Queensland, £1.096,235; South Australia, £703,816; Western Australia, £473,432; Tasmania, £266,859; Total, £7,584,912.

These amounts are equal to the sums paid by the Commonwealth to each State in the year 1926-27 at the rate of 25s. per head of population, the rate at which the Commonwealth had contributed annually to the States since 1st July, 1910 as compensation for the States relinquishing, after Federation. the right to levy Customs and Excise Duties.

In addition, the Commonwealth agreed to pay to the National Debt Sinking Fund for redemption of State Debts the following amounts:—(a) an annual contribution of 2s. 6d. per cent. of the net public debt of the States at 30th June, 1927 for a period of 58 years from 1st July, 1927 (in respect of New South Wales net public debt from 1st July, 1928); (b) an annual contribution of 5s. per cent. on new borrowings (except those for redemption, conversion or funding a State deficit) after 1st July, 1927 for a period of 53 years from the date of raising; (c) an annual contribution of 5s. per cent. on loans raised to meet revenue deficits occurring between 1st July, 1927 and 30th June, 1935 for a period of 39 years from 1st July, 1944.

3. Special Grants.—The Constitution provides in Section 96 for the granting of special financial assistance to the States. Western Australia has received financial assistance each year since 1910-11. In 1912 a grant was made to Tasmania, the amount payable in the first year, 1912-13, being £95,000, which was to be progressively reduced by £10,000 in each successive year. The Tasmania Grant Act 1913 provided for an addition to this grant, bringing the amount payable to £85.000 per annum to the year 1921-22, after which annual grants of varying magnitude were made. South Australia received £360,000 in 1929-30 and further grants in each successive year.

⁽b) Includes amount provided under ordinary

In 1933 the Commonwealth Government appointed the Commonwealth Grants Commission of three members to inquire into and report upon claims made by any State for a grant of financial assistance and any matters relevant thereto.

Applications have been received from South Australia, Western Australia and Tasmania during each year from 1933 and the recommendations of the Commission in respect of the years 1938-39 and 1947-48 to 1951-52 were as follows:—

COMMONWEALTH GRANTS COMMISSION: GRANTS RECOMMENDED.

	 	(£.)	<u> </u>	_		
State.	1938-39.	1947–48. (a)	1948–49. (a)	194950. (b)	1050-51. (c)	1951-52. (d)
South Australia Western Australia Tasmania		2,977,000	3,600,000	5,618,000	5,332,000 5,839,000 1,004,000	
Total	 2,020,000	6,042,000	7,450,000	11,054,000	12,175,000	10,522,000

(a) Includes additional grants recommended: 1947-48, Western Australia, £1,000,000; 1948-49, South Australia, £600,000, Tasmania, £100,000, total £700,000. (b) Includes the excess of the assessed grant over the special grant received for 1947-48: South Australia, £324,000, Western Australia £768,000, Tasmania, £262,000. (c) Includes the excess of the assessed grant over the special grant received for 1948-49: South Australia, £762,000, Western Australia, £1,089,000, Tasmania, Dr. £96,000. (d) Includes the excess of the assessed grant over the special grant received for 1949-50: South Australia, £308,000, Western Australia, £88,000, Tasmania, £126,000.

4. States Grants (Tax Reimbursement) Acts.—Details of the States Grants (Income Tax Reimbursement) Act 1942 and the States Grants (Entertainments Tax Reimbursement) Act 1942 are given in earlier issues of the Official Year Book (see No. 37, pages 635 to 637). These acts provided for grants to the States as compensation for vacating the fields of Income Tax and Entertainments Tax. Grants under these acts ceased after 1945-46 and were replaced by grants under the States Grants (Tax Reimbursement) Act 1946-1948. This Act provided for the following reimbursement grants to be paid to the States, the figures shown relating to 1946-47 and 1947-48 respectively:—New South Wales, £16,477,000, £18,536,625; Victoria, £8,860,000, £9,967,500; Queensland, £6,601,000, £7,426,125; South Australia, £3,458,000, £3,890,250; Western Australia, £3,384,000, £3,807,000; Tasmania, £1,220,000, £1,372,500; Total, £40,000,000, £45,000,000.

For 1948-49 and subsequent years an amount is to be determined by increasing the aggregate grants paid in 1947-48 (£45,000,000) by the same proportion as the aggregate population of the six States at the beginning of the financial year increases over the aggregate population of the six States at 1st July, 1947. This amount is to be further increased by a percentage equal to the percentage increase in average wages per person employed in the financial year preceding the year in which the reimbursement grants are to be paid over the average wages per person employed in 1945-46. The amount so determined will be the aggregate of the reimbursement grants and is to be distributed to the States in the following proportions:—

- (i) 1948-49 to 1956-57:—(a) The following percentages of the grant shall be distributed in the proportion indicated by the distribution of the aggregate reimbursement grant in 1946-47 and 1947-48 viz.:—1948-49, 90 per cent; 1949-50, 80 per cent.; and thus decreasing by 10 per cent. each year to 10 per cent. in 1956-57, and (b) the remainder in the proportion indicated by the "adjusted" population* for each State.
- (ii) 1957-58 and subsequent years:—the proportion indicated by the "adjusted" population for each State.

It is provided that, if the application of the foregoing formula for distribution of the aggregate grants causes the amount of the reimbursement grant for any State to fall

In the "adjusted" population allowances are made for differences in the proportion of school children
in the population and the density of the population in each state.

below the grant for 1946-47, the grant payable will be the same as that for 1946-47 and the balance of the aggregate grant is to be distributed between the remaining States in the proportions above.

An amount equal to arrears of State income taxes collected by the States in any year is to be deducted from the reimbursement grants for that year. The aggregate amount so deducted less any refunds of State income taxes made by the Commonwealth is to be repaid in the event of uniform taxation ceasing to operate. This amount bore interest at 3 per cent. up to 30th June, 1946, but thereafter, under the new arrangement, will bear no interest.

In 1950-51 an amount of £5,000,000 was paid to the States under the States Grants (Additional Tax Reimbursement Act) 1950. As this was considered as a non-recurring grant the formula outlined above was not amended.

The payment of the tax re-imbursement grant in any year to any State is subject to the condition that that State does not impose a tax on incomes in that year.

- 5. Additional Financial Assistance, 1949-50 and 1950-51.—(i) Coal Strike Emergency Grant. During 1940-50 State business undertakings suffered considerable losses as a result of the coal strike. Towards meeting these losses the Commonwealth made grants totalling £8,000,000 to the States. The amounts paid to each State were:—New South Wales, £3,261,000; Victoria, £1,830,000; Queensland, £1,309,000; South Australia, £687,000; Western Australia, £661,000; and Tasmania, £252,000.
- (ii) Special Financial Assistance Grant. During 1950-51 there were heavy additions to the financial needs of the States and in June, 1951 a special grant of £15,000,000 was made. The amounts granted to each State were—New South Wales, £6,250,000; Victoria, £4,750,000; Queensland, £2,000,000; South Australia, £800,000; Western Australia, £1,000,000; and Tasmania, £200,000.
- 6. Grants for Road Construction.—(i) Main Roads Development Act 1923-25, Federal Aid Roads Acts 1926, 1931 and 1936, and Federal Aid Roads and Works Act 1937. Particulars of the agreements between the Commonwealth and the States under these Acts are referred to in earlier issues of the Year Book (see issue No. 38, pp. 787-8) and in the Finance Bulletins published by this Bureau.
- (ii) Commonwealth Aid Roads and Works. The Federal Aid Roads and Works Agreement expired on 30th June, 1947, and was replaced by the Commonwealth Aid Roads and Works Act 1947, which provided for the following grants to be made to the States for the three years commencing on 1st July, 1947:—
 - (a) An amount equal to 3d. a gallon customs duty and 2d. a gallon excise duty on petroleum and shale products (except benzol, on which the proportion of excise duty was 1½d. a gallon) as specified in Customs Tariff Item 229c and Excise Tariff Item 11. Petroleum and shale products used in civil aircraft were excluded.
 - (b) £1,000,000 in each year.

These grants were distributed to the States in the following proportions:--

- (1) Five per cent. to Tasmania;
- (2) Ninety-five per cent. distributed between the remaining States as to three-fifths according to population at 30th June, 1947, and two-fifths according to area.

The amount of the grant received by the States under (a) above was to be expended on the construction, reconstruction, maintenance and repair of roads and (not exceeding one-sixth) on other works connected with transport. The grant under (b) above was to be expended on construction and maintenance of roads in sparsely populated areas, timber country and rural areas or on purchase of road-making plant for use in those areas.

The Act also provided £500,000 per annum to be expended by the Commonwealth on strategic roads and roads of access to Commonwealth property and £100,000 for the promotion of road safety practices.

Amendments to the Act in 1948 and 1949 increased the grant under (b) above to £2,000,000 in 1948-49 and £3,000,000 in 1949-50.

In each of the years 1948-49 and 1949-50 an additional £100,000 was paid to the Commonwealth Aid Roads and Works Trust Account from the Department of Transport's vote for expenditure on the promotion of road safety practices.

On the expiration of this Act the Commonwealth Aid Roads Act 1950 provided, for a period of five years from 1st July, 1950, an amount equivalent to the sum of (i) 6d. per gallon of customs duty and (ii) 3½d. per gallon of excise duty collected on petroleum and shale products as specified in Customs Tariff Item 229c and Excise Tariff Item 11 (excluding such products used in civil aircraft). Out of this amount the following grants are to be made to the States for construction and maintenance of roads and the purchase of road-making plant:—

- (a) Sixty-five per cent. of the amount less £600,000 per annum for expenditure on roads, and
- (b) Thirty-five per cent. of the amount for expenditure on roads in rural areas other than highways, trunk or main roads.

Of the former amount, one-sixth may be spent on other works connected with transport by road or water. Five per cent. of the grants to the States is payable to Tasmania. Fifty-seven per cent. is to be divided between the other States in proportion to their populations at 30th June, 1947, and 38 per cent. according to area. In addition, the Commonwealth may spend each year £500,000 on strategic roads and £100,000 on the promotion of road safety practices.

7. Amounts Paid.—(i) Year 1950-51. The following table shows particulars of the amounts paid to each of the States during 1950-51 as grants for the several purposes referred to in the preceding paragraphs.

PAYMENTS BY THE COMMONWEALTH TO OR FOR THE STATES, 1950-51.(a)
(£'000.)

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Total.
Interest on States' Debts Sinking Fund on States'	2,917	2,127	1,096	704	474	267	7,585
Debts (b)	876	452	295	276	245	97	2,241
Special Grants Tax Reimbursement Grants Additional Tax Reimburse-	28,337	16,286	11,458	5,332 6,039	5,839 5,759	2,228	12,175 70,107
ment Grants	2,027	1,160	814	429	410	160	5,000
Special Financial Assistance	6,250	4,750	2,000	800	1,000	200	15,000
Imported Houses—Grants Commonwealth Aid Roads		••	150	20		••	170
and Works (c) Price Control Reimburse-	3,819	2,357	2,600	1,490	2,600	677	13,543
ment	259	187	104	57	59	38	704
works Grant		••	!	. 1	219	••	219
Service Leave	296	1	5x		21	5	374
Total	44,781	27,320	18,568	15,147	16,626	4,676	127,118

⁽a) Excludes relief to primary producers and other payments for medical research, etc. National Debt Sinking Fund. (c) Paid to Trust Fund.

(ii) 1901 to 1951. The following table shows particulars of the amounts paid to each State since Federation, according to the several classes of grants.

PAYMENTS BY THE COMMONWEALTH TO OR FOR THE STATES TO 30th JUNE, 1951.(a)

(£'000.)

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Total.
Section 87 of Constitution-							
1900-01 to 1909-10 Surplus Revenue Acts—	27,606	19,815	8,895	6,148	8,727	2,602	73,793
1910-11 to 1926-27	41,634	31,341	15,184	9,925	6,899	4,367	109,350
Financial Agreement— 1927-28 to 1950-51	84,107	58,058	31,060	21,173	15,239	7,483	217,120
Special Grants (b)		30,-3-	3-,	35,269		15,077	84,727
Income Tax Reimbursement Grants (c)	55,419	24,331	22,212	9,037	9,492	3,409	123,900
Income Tax Reimbursement —Special Grants (c)				1,654	913	110	2,686
Entertainments Tax Reim-	•						
bursement Grants (d) Tax Reimbursement Grants	6 0 3	1,399	• •	364	368	138	2,872
(e)	109,977	61,203	44,408	23,347	22,535	8,448	269,918
Additional Tax Reimbursement (f)	2,027	1,160	814	429	410	160	5,000
Special Financial Assistance	6,250	4,750	2,000	800	1,000	200	15,000
Price Control Reimburse-	722	501	318	198	173	95	2,007
Non-recurring Grants from	,	, ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	J.0	- 30	,,	93	2,00,
Excess Receipts, 1934-35 to 1936-37	1,188	827	433	265	201	86	3,000
Special Assistance (i)	4,668	2,749	1,916	927	1,271	388	11,919
Grants for Road Construc- tion, 1922-23 to 1950-51(j)	26,160	16,445	17,803	10,414	17,939	4,672	93,433
Total	360,361	222,579	145,043	119,950	119,548	47,244	1,014,725

(a) Includes non-recurring grants from excess receipts, but excludes amounts provided for relief of wheat-growers and other primary producers and other payments for medical research, etc. (b) Under various States Grants Acts. (c) Under States Grants (Income Tax Reimbursement) Act 1942. (d) Under States Grants (Entertainments Tax Reimbursement) Act 1942. (e) Under States Grants (Tax Reimbursement Act) 1946-1948. (f) Under States Grants (Additional Tax Reimbursement) Act 1950. (g) Under States Grants (Special Financial Assistance) Act 1951. (h) Under States Grants (Administration of Controls Reimbursement) Act 1948. (i) Unemployment Relief, Metalliferous Mining, Forestry, Local Public Works, Coal Strike Emergency Grant, etc. (j) Under Main Roads Development, Federal Aid Roads, Federal Aid Roads and Works, Commonwealth Aid Roads and Works and Commonwealth Aid Roads Acts.

For particulars of the amounts paid to the several States during each of the years 1941-42 to 1950-51 see Finance Bulletin No. 42 published by this Bureau. This publication also contains details of the amounts paid to each State since 1922-23 under the various roads acts.

Particulars of special Commonwealth grants for the relief of primary producers are not included in the foregoing tables. For details see Chapter XX.—Agricultural Production. See also par. 3. Subsidies and Bounties of the preceding division of this chapter.

§ 3. Commonwealth Trust Funds.

1. Receipts, Expenditure and Balances, 1950-51.—The following table shows the opening and closing balances, and receipts and expenditure of some of the more important Trust Funds of the Commonwealth for the year ended 30th June, 1951.

COMMONWEALTH TRUST FUNDS: RECEIPTS, EXPENDITURE AND BALANCES, 1950-51. (£'000.)

Fund.	Balance at 30th	Year ended	Balance at 30th		
	June, 1950.	Receipts.	Expenditure.	June, 1951.	
Aluminium Production	81	600	573	45	
Australian New Guinea Production	1,118	4,176	3,782	1,512	
Citizens' National Emergency Loans	100		5	95	
Coal Mining Industry Long Service	ł	ł	l - i		
Leave	207	3\$8	55	540	
Coinage	3,891	1,763	1,763	3,891	
Commonwealth Aid Roads		14,142	12,443	1,699	
Commonwealth Aid Roads and Works	949		948	1	
Defence Forces Retirement Benefits	2,423	1,233	489	3,167	
Diverted Cargoes	139		25	114	
Enemy Subjects	1,120	92	84	1,128	
Flax Production	159	435	342	252	
Import Procurement Suspense	754	(a) - 186	117	45T	
Insurance Deposits	2,803	294	33	3,064	
International Post-war Relief and Re-			1		
habilitation	314	1,224	839	699	
Lend-Lease Settlement	1,922	14	9r	1,845	
Liquid Fuel Equalization	842	88		930	
Marine War Risks Insurance	6	(a)	6		
National Debt Sinking	13,969	41,858	45,545	10,282	
National Welfare	131,115	133,665	114,983	149,797	
Parliamentary Retiring Allowances	31	41	17	55	
Public Trustee and Custodian	1,351	579	18	1,912	
Strategic Stores and Equipment Reserve		57,048	9,038	48,010	
Superannuation	19,495	4,951	2,207	22,239	
Temple Society	705	9	266	448	
War Damage	372	(a) - 63	148	161	
War Gratuity	36,751	30,630	61,447	5,934	
War Service Homes		25,564	25,564		
War Service Homes—Insurance	489	88	34	543	
Wheat Industry Stabilization	358		49	309	
Wheat Prices Stabilization	31,206	13,972	17,000	28,178	
Wine Industry Assistance	500			500	
Wool Contributory Charge	3,254	1,654	501	4,007	
Wool Industry	7,718	214	104	7,828	
Wool Research	794	348	330	812	
Wool (Reserve Prices)		43,283		43,283	
Other	13.774	(a)244,331	238,785	19,320	
Total	278,647	622,435	538,031	363,051	

⁽a) Includes surplus balances transferred to Consolidated Revenue Fund:—Import Procurement Suspense Trust Account, £250,000; Marine War Risks Insurance Fund, £6,000; War Damage Fund, £90,000; Other Funds, £779,000; Total, £1,125,000. These items have been treated as reductions of receipts.

COMMONWEALTH TRUST FUND. (£'000.)

Heading.	1938–39.	1946-47.	1947-48.	1948-49.	1949-50.	1950-51.
Balance brought forward Receipts Expenditure Balance carried forward	25,609	132,274	171,135	196,478	245,194	278,647
	84,167	324,178	301,981	379,294	410,174	622,435
	85,550	285,317	276,638	330,578	376,721	538,031
	24,226	171,135	196,478	245,194	278,647	363,051

^{2.} Summary, 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51.—In the following table the balances and total receipts and expenditure of the Trust Funds are shown for each of the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51.

§ 4. Commonwealth Loan Funds.

Brief historical notes relating to the Commonwealth Loan Fund are given in earlier issues of the Official Year Book (see No. 37, page 640). In the following table details are given of the net expenditure from the Commonwealth Loan Fund for the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51 and of the aggregate expenditure to 30th June, 1951. The figures shown represent "net" loan expenditure, i.e., after adjustments have been made on account of amounts expended in earlier years.

COMMONWEALTH NET EXPENDITURE FROM LOAN FUND.

(£.) Total to 1948-49. Particulars. 1938-39. 1947-48. 1946-47. 1950-51. 1949-50. IQSI. War (1914-18) and Repatriation Services Derence, War (1939-45) and Re-372,989,867 patriation Services. 28,773,061 (b) 37,893,997 18,733,000 25,483,273 1,613,686,112 1.012.284 -11,884 (c) 8,682,064 Civil Aviation, Buildings and Works 213,086 Ships, Yards and Docks
Lighthouses, Works and Ser--3,624 7,694,461 305,351 164,943 vices -1.000 634,490 River Murray Waters Act ... Postmaster-General's Depart-2,105,625 Telegraph and Telephone Construction 36,057,558 Buildings, Works, Sites, etc. 4,068,818 - I.290 - I,349 -I,023 - 7,409 797 Subscription to Capital of Amalgamated Wireless Ltd. 300,000 Stations and Radio Equipment 104,538 Serum and Health Laboratories 80,149 Other Health Buildings and Services 21,864 47,026 Repatriation Buildings, etc... War Service Homes (d) 7,329,523 13,758,118 8,745,124 Railways . . 1.714 -1,026 1,118 995 339 ٠. Territories (e) -6,768 12,376 -8,644-6,105 -- 7,384 - 16,006 . . 1,680,834 Immigration Assistance to States-Unemployment Relief - 3,822 2,667,020 . . Mining. 283,750 ٠. Forestry 322,000 Farmers' Debt Adjustment 2,000,000 7,967,000 sheo.g 249,686 608,849 Wire and Wire Netting Drought Relief ... 1,844,205 . . Housing 11,015,000 13,305,000 14,492,000 17,215,000 21,640,000 84,462,000 . . ٠. Wheat Bounty 3,429,571 Other 1,381,094 Total Capital Works and Services 3,593,714 11,000,896 13,125,545 14,480,222 17,199,212 21,610,195 194,738,453 International Dollar 4,043,785 Loan (f) ... 4,043,785 GRAND TOTAL . . 3,593,714 48,894,893 13,125,545 -4,252,778 42,682,485 54,427,041 2,185,458,217

Information relating to the Public Debt of the Commonwealth is given in Part D. Commonwealth and State Public Debt (of this chapter).

⁽a) Repayment of surplus balances of Defence Trust Accounts.

(b) Comprises £24,911,404 expension under War Services Homes Act 1914-1949, and £3,861,577 financial assistance to the States in connexion with (c) Excludes amounts charged to WarLoan Fund.

(d) In addition, (d) In addition, (d) Includes Administration and other Public Public Service Land Settlement.

(a) Repayment of surplus balances of Defence Trust Accounts.

(b) Comprises £24,911,404 expensions with the Service Land Settlement.

(c) Excludes amounts charged to WarLoan Fund and other Public Service Land Settlement.

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(d) In addition, Service Land Settlement.

(e) Excludes amounts charged to WarLoan Fund and other Public Service Land Settlement.

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(e) Excludes amounts charged to WarLoan Fund and other Public Service Land Settlement.

(f) Excludes Administration and other Public Service Land Settlement. under War Services nomes and agreement. (c) Excludes amounts charged to the service Land Settlement. (d) Excludes amounts charged to the service Land Settlement. (e) Excludes amounts charged to the service Land Settlement. (f) Excludes amounts charged to the services Administration and other response Australian Capital Territory. (f) Payment to National Debt Sinking Fund. See page 838.

§ 5. Commonwealth Expenditure on Capital Works and Services.

In the following table details are given of Commonwealth expenditure on capital works and services during each of the years 1946-47 to 1950-51 and of the aggregate to 30th June, 1951. The table covers all expenditure on capital works and services made from the Consolidated Revenue Fund, the Loan Fund and Trust Funds.

COMMONWEALTH EXPENDITURE ON CAPITAL WORKS AND SERVICES FROM REVENUE, TRUST AND LOAN FUNDS.

(£'000.)

Particulars.	1946–47.	1947-48.	1948–49.	1949-50.	1950-51.	1901–2 to 1950–51– Total.(a)
Defence and War—	-					
Navy	2,759	302	768	4,240	4,262	46,374
Army		191	249	1,154	7,153	76,475
Air Force		185	323	2,266	1,592	52,967
Munitions and other		2,309	4,205		(b) 62,055	164,498
Civil Aviation'		3,541	2,607	3,805	4,845	23,548
Ships—Construction and purchase		1,083	294	2,000	1,462	30,368
Docks, yards and equipment		309	198	78	95	13,605
Lighthouses		16	22	49	50	1,812
Snowy Mountains Hydro-electric	: [i	[1 .	
Power Act				2,497	6,077	8,574
Health	. 5	12	16	477	679	2,151
Commonwealth Scientific and Indus	•					1 _
trial Research Organization		106	18	88	145	556
War Service Homes	2,114	5,908	8,396	14,551	24,911	77,524
Immigration		18	2,744	7,304	7,168	18,918
Postmaster-General's Department		8,218	12,503	16,560	34,739	166,358
Broadcasting Services				157	211	368
Railways—		1 0		_ه. ا	1	
Commonwealth		298	224	481	1,459	17,084
Other	1 "	22	13	13	1	2,543
Locomotives and rolling-stock	1	• • •				2,333
Coal Industry Act 1946			1,650	4,232	3,000	8,882
Christmas Island Phosphate Co.—		ļ	1	1	16	- 00
Acquisition of assets			1,724	• • •	156	1,88
the state of the s	779	1,076	1,844	2,418	3,697	00.000
		407	649	708	1,361	6,268
			162	28	1,301	380
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Norfolk Island	1	}		• • •] 2
Commonwealth Oil Refineries		1	٠			
National Oil Pty. Ltd.	1 ::			225	i ::	425 225
Analgamated Wireless (Australasia)		1	• • •			223
Ltd.	' I	ĺ .	156		158	814
Qantas Empire Airways	415	2,455	900	200	377	4,347
British Commonwealth Pacific Air		-,433	900	100	3//	4,34/
lines	1	500	500		i	1.000
Commonwealth Engineering Co		1	, jee	102	1 ::	202
New Guinea Resources Prospecting			i		``	1 202
Co. Ltd.					13	13
Advances—	1					1 -3
Australian National Airlines Com-	.	i	1		i	
mission	1.800	1,500	700			4,370
Aluminium Production Commission	27	30	126	125	300	625
Overseas Telecommunications Com-		"			1	1
mission		1		225		1,650
Beaufort Homes	1	300				391
Glen Davis Shale Oil Project		1	186	208	177	571
All other works, buildings, etc		1,641	2,152	4,705	7,321	(c) 28,513
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Total	24,096	30,427	43,392	73,682	173,475	788,816
	4,090	3~14~/	47,732	73,004	-/314/3	1 /00,010

⁽a) Includes properties transferred from the States. (b) Includes Strategic Stores and Equipment Reserve, £57,048,000. (c) Includes River Murray Waters Act:—Works, £3,017,000; War Memorial, Canberra, £292,000; Solar Observatory, Mount Stromlo, £133,000; Forestry School, Canberra, £36,000.

§ 6. Commonwealth Expenditure on Defence Services.

Details of the expenditure on Defence Services by the Departments of Defence, Navy, Army, Air, and Supply are shown in the following table. The expenditure shown under Department of Supply includes the former Departments of Shipping and Fuel, Supply and Development, Supply and Shipping, and Munitions. This table now relates to Defence Services only. In previous issues particulars of expenditure on War (1939-45) and Repatriation Services were also included. These are now shown in the table in the following section, which includes, in addition, particulars of expenditure on the 1914-18 War formerly shown in a separate table.

The figures represent the combined expenditures from revenue, trust and loan funds for the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51.

DEFENCE SERVICES: COMMONWEALTH EXPENDITURE FROM REVENUE, TRUST AND LOAN FUNDS.

(£2000.)

Items.	1938–39.	1946-47.	1947–48.	1948-49.	1949-50.	1950-51.
Department of Defence-			1		į——-	
Administrative and general expenses Buildings, works, etc.	46	132	218	231	280	379
Maintenance and rent	11 4	5	7 7	4 7	7 8	20
Audit and pensions	*	5	, ź	8	8	7 16
Total	61	145	239	250	303	422
Department of the Navy— Naval Forces—Pay, allowances,					:	
maintenance and general expenses	2,592	13,518	12,181	12,813	12,268	19,337
Miscellaneous war expenditure	~,592	330	90	46	47	1,149
Transport services Naval construction and additions to	• • •	2,141	1,362	561	776	(a)
the fleet Auxiliary vessels for naval defence	1,643	1,020	3,404	2,676	1,384	2,244
purposes Graving Dock—Towards cost of con-	 	1,906	608	965	841	(a)
struction	!	350	302	104	78	95
Aircraft and aero engines Buildings, works, etc		2,760	302	2,398 768	1,855	983 1,564
Maintenance and rent	433 28	124	125	182	252	. 390
Audit, pensions, interest and sinking			3		-35	. 390
fund	135	142	158	182	195	210
Amount chargeable to War and Repatriation Services (b)	!				-1,729	-1,145
Total	4,831	22,291	18,532	20,695	17,010	24,827
Department of the Army— Australian Military Forces—Pay,					i	
allowances, maintenance and general expenses Special units serving abroad—Main-	2,941	34,779	20,397	12,563	12,273	15,869
tenance Prisoners of war, war criminals, in-		5,345	2,439	845	702	1,108
ternees		257	62	30	42	19
Arms, armament, ammunition	1,129	24,421	4,978	983	1,894	5,387
Buildings, works, etc (c)	418	654	193	249	758	4,349
Maintenance and rent	65	2	2	227	349	561
fund	269	326	386	418	512	534
Repatriation Services (b)					-942	-1,072
Total	4,822	65,784	28,457	15,315	15,588	26,755

See next page for notes.

DEFENCE SERVICES: COMMONWEALTH EXPENDITURE FROM REVENUE, TRUST AND LOAN FUNDS—continued.

(£'000.)

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Items.	1938–39.	1946–47.	1947-48.	1948-49.	1949–50.	1950-51.
Department of Air— Royal Australian Air Force—Pay, allowances, maintenance and general expenses R.A.A.F. squadrons overseas Aircraft, equipment and stores Buildings, works, etc. Maintenance and rent Audit, pensions, interest and sinking fund Amount chargeable to War and Repatriation Services (b)	1,304 1,049 489 12 69	11,954 10,406 188 259 133	9,781 1,722 6,435 184 284	8,006 1,397 6,652 323 387 141	7,904 529 2,912 692 607 174	10,833 1,209 13,210 1,592 807 223
Total	2,923	22,940	18,541	16,906	11,963	27,874
Department of Supply— Administrative and general expenses Supply Research Laboratories— Salaries and general expenses Munitions factories, government undertakings and establishments—	36	2,630 283	355	1,293 431	1,180 610	1,701 806
Salaries and general expenses Transport and storage services Shipping Branch Miscellaneous expenditure Defence research and development Strategic stores and equipment	477	1,787 3,774 926	1,008 609 (d) 128 1,413	885 383 (<i>d</i>) 43 4,550	1,705 420 (d) 30 5,575	1,764 257 (d) 4 6,264
reserve Machinery, plant, equipment, etc., for the manufacture of munitions and aircraft Munitions Factories, etc.—Working	655	883	994	482	578	57,048 89 <i>7</i>
capital Electricity supply in Australia— Development Shipbuilding—Plant, etc.	::	92 3 15	300 75	(d) (d)	(d) (d)	(d) (d)
Standard Ships—Construction Buildings, works, etc. Maintenance and rent Audit, pensions, interest and sinking fund.	463	1,904 405 374	1,248 422 286	(d) 317 243	(d) 3 ² 4 3 ¹ 1	(d) 264 392
Amount chargeable to War and Repatriation Services (b)					-462	-237
Total	1,758	13,202	8,402	8,762	10,410	69,280
Total Defence Services— Consolidated Revenue Fund Trust Fund Loan Fund	9,410 (e) 3,072 1,913	124,354 (f) 8	(f) 74,169 	61,928 	55,274 	149,170 — 12
GRAND TOTAL	14,395	124,362	74,171	61,928	55,274	149,158

⁽a) Included with Miscellaneous War Expenditure. (b) Represents expenditure on War and Repatriation Services (see page 798) included in departmental expenditure above, but for which dissection is not available. (c) Includes National Defence Contributions Trust Account. (d) Provided under Ordinary Services. (e) Expenditure from excess receipts of previous years appropriated for Defence Equipment Trust Account. (f) Expenditure from National Defence Contributions Trust Account.

§ 7. War and Repatriation Services and Post-war Charges.

Expenditure from Consolidated Revenue and Loan Funds for War and Repatriation Services and Post-war Charges in relation to both the 1914–18 and 1939–45 Wars is shown in the following table for the years 1938–39 and 1946–47 to 1950–51:—

WAR AND REPATRIATION SERVICES AND POST-WAR CHARGES: EXPENDITURE FROM CONSOLIDATED REVENUE AND LOAN FUNDS.

(£'000.)

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Items.	1938–39.	1946-47.	1947-48.	1948-49.	194-50	1950-51.
Public Debt Charges-		!	!	Į 		[
Interest (including exchange on	1	i	1	ŀ		1
interest payments)	7,616	43,296	44,723	44,677	45,126	44,614
Sinking Fund	2,049	11,813	12,542	13,084	13,197	13,835
Other	225	151	211	190	379	312
Total Public Debt Charges (a)	9,890	55,260	57,476	57,951	58,702	58,761
	9,090					
War Gratuities War and Service Pensions	8 000	2,882 16,065	3,360	31,884	9,994	30,797
Commonwealth Reconstruction Train-	8,227	10,005	17,167	20,268	22,023	27,532
ing Scheme—	i					l
University	Į.	2,874	3,890	3,231	2,390	1,595
Technical		6,545	8,888	6,965	4,444	2,401
Rural	1	241	340	303	252	145
Correspondence	! !!	14	7	303		-45
War Service Land Settlement		2,002	2,242	2,922	4,074	4,388
Re-establishment loans for agricultural	į.	,	, , , ,	,,,	,,,,	1
purposes	i	2,610	2,503	1,572	1,065	316
Repatriation Department-				70-		
Repatriation Benefits—	ļ	l				
Maintenance of departmental in-	i	l	I .	Į i		
stitutions	319	988	2,670	2,938	3,208	4,133
Mcdical treatment	231	1,842	1,546	1,780	2,025	2,512
Small business loans	1	1,889	1,535	1,073	777	583
Expenses in providing employment		1,340	591	303	53	32
Vocational training		1,329	1,238	714	265	67
Other	· 81	414	296	333	334	507
Soldiers' Children Education Scheme	117	131	153	160	193	184
Other benefits and allowances	' 2	69	105	85	70	79
Administration and general expenses	315	1,437	1,911	2,075	2,473	3,061
Expenditure recovered (b)	-71	-732	-1,439	<u> </u>	-1,951	-1,777
Total Repatriation Department	994	8,707	8,606	7,466	7,447	9,381
War Service Homes-Salaries and			!			
general expenses	98	129	176	200	266	492
Defence Departments-Proportion of		1				, , ,
expenditure (c)	• • •	!			3,988	2,455
Other Departments—Miscellaneous ex-	1	1		. '	1	
penditure	48	3,927	3,074	1,784	1,156	438
International Payments—	!					ļ
United Kingdom Grant	j	25,000	• •	10,000	10,000	• • •
International Relief and Rehabili-	1]	1	l		
tation	• • •	18,117	2,240	2,770	1,650	(d)
International Monetary Agreements			10,193		2,778	14
Reciprocal Lend-Lease to the United	i		l			ĺ
States Forces Lend-Lease Settlement		5,006	521	108	12	• • •
Other		8,398	1,095			81
Other Administrations—Recoverable	• • •	117	90	149	132	
expenditure (e)		5,496	-11,248	-2,528	-1,942	-1,849
Miscellaneous Credits	! ::	-25,520	-12,714	-5,451	-2,371	-1,769
Credits from the Disposals Commission		-37,986	-15,649	-6,454	-3,982	-1,681
Capital Works and Services—		3,,,,,	37.19	-,,,,,,,		
Repatriation Department	36	242	309	268	297	342
War Service Homes Act 1918-1949	105	2,113	5,908	8,396	14,551	24,911
Other		2,113	! 3,900	0,590	-4,552	77,911
Total Capital Works and Services	141	2,366	6,220	8,664	14,848	25.252
	141	2,300	0,220	0,004	14,040	25,253
Total, War and Repatriation Services					ļ	1
and Post-war Charges—			!	-6.0-		
Consolidated Revenue Fund Loan Fund	19,398	94,716	134,324	164,874	132,071	129,977
Loan Fund		37,894	<u> </u>		25,483	28,773
7 .co 0-1 .t3t (6)	19,398	132,610	134,324	164,874	157,554	158,750
Less Subsidies (f)	i	30,360	45,839	23,069	20,628	
GRAND TOTAL	19,398	102,250	88,485	141,805	136,926	158,750

⁽a) Excludes Interest and Sinking Fund payments on War (1914-18) Debt due to the United Kingdom Government, payment of which was suspended in 1931. (b) From Service Departments and Australian Soldiers' Repatriation Trust Account. (c) Represents expenditure on War and Repatriation Services by Defence Departments (see page 797), but for which dissection is not available. (d) Provided under Ordinary Services. (e) Munitions, stores, etc., supplied to the Government of United Kingdom and other administrations. Includes walvure of war-time indebtedness of other administrations. (f) These subsidies, which from 1941-42 to 1949-50 were provided under War and Repatriation Services, are excluded from this table. In 1950-51 they were provided under Ordinary Services. For details see page 287.

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B. STATE FINANCE.

§ 1. General.

- 1. Functions of State Governments.—In comparing the financial returns of the States, allowances must be made for the various functions discharged by the respective Governments, and for local conditions in each case. Direct comparisons of the revenue, expenditure and debt of the individual States are difficult, owing to the fact that functions which in one State are assumed by the Central Government are in another relegated to municipal or semi-governmental bodies which are vested with certain defined borrowing powers and whose financial transactions are not included with those of the Central Government. Care, therefore, is needed in making comparisons, and the particulars contained in this Chapter should be read with those contained in Chapter XV.—Local Government. In many respects, moreover, the budgets of the Australian Governments differ materially from those of most European countries, owing to the inclusion therein of the revenue and expenditure of departments concerned in rendering public services, such as railways, tramways, water supply, etc., which in other countries are often left to private enterprise.
- 2. Accounts of State Governments.—The various financial transactions of the States are in each case mainly concerned with one or other of three Funds—the "Consolidated Revenue Fund", the "Trust Fund", and the "Loan Fund". All revenue (except certain items paid into special funds) collected by the State is paid into its Consolidated Revenue Fund, from which payments are made under the authority of an Annual Appropriation Act passed by the Legislature, or by a permanent appropriation under a Special Act.

Figures in § 2 following relating to New South Wales represent the transactions of the Consolidated Revenue Fund and the Business Undertakings included in the Annual Budget Papers. These latter are as follows:—Railways, Tramways and Omnibuses, and Sydney Harbour Trust Section of the Maritime Services Board. Adjustments have been made to the Budget figures, however, in order to obviate duplications caused by inter-fund payments and to maintain uniformity from year to year in the presentation of statistics. Particulars for all other States relate to the transactions of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

The Trust Fund comprises all moneys held in trust by the Government, and includes such items as sinking funds, insurance companies' deposits, etc.

The Loan Fund is debited with all loan moneys raised by the State, and credited with the expenditure therefrom on public works or other purposes.

3. Inter-relation of Commonwealth and State Finances.—A statement in some detail, covering the inter-relation of Commonwealth and State Finances during the period from the inception of Federation to the passing of the Financial Agreement Act 1928, was published in Official Year Book, No. 22, pages 379-80. Changes in the financial relations between the Commonwealth and States since the passing of the Financial Agreement Act have been described in issues of the Official Year Book from year to year (see also pages 788-792 and 820).

§ 2. State Consolidated Revenue Funds.

Division L-Revenue.

- 1. General.—The principal sources of State revenue are :-
 - (a) Taxation; (b) the Business Undertakings controlled by the State Governments; (c) Sale of and Rental from Crown lands; (d) Payments by Commonwealth Government under the Financial Agreement, Special Grants and Tax Reimbursement Acts, etc.; (e) Interest on advances; and (f) Miscellaneous sources, comprising Fines, Fees, etc.

Of these sources, that yielding the largest revenue for the States as a whole is the group of Business Undertakings, the principal contributors being the Government Railways and Tramways. Next in magnitude are Commonwealth payments under the Tax Reimbursement Acts, followed in order by Taxation, the Commonwealth payments under the Financial Agreement and Special Grants, and Lands receipts. Since the introduction in 1942-43 of the Uniform Tax Scheme, Commonwealth payments under the Income and Entertainments Tax Reimbursement Acts and, from 1946-47, under the Tax Reimbursement Act, have replaced revenue previously received from Income and Entertainments taxes.

2. Revenue Received.—The following table shows particulars of the total amounts and the amounts per head of consolidated revenue received by the several States during the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51.

STATE CONSOLIDATED REVENUE.

Year.	N.S.W.(a)	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	w.	Aust.	i	Tas.	Total.
	1		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>		i		

TOTAL REVENUE.

(£'000.)

1938-39	TO6 504	26,985	19,330	12,304	10,950	3,615	124,283
1946-47		37,359	25,033	17,193	14,981	4,507	171,854
1947-48		41,728	26,820	18,843	17,711	4,816	196,000
1948-49		46,842	32,979	21,845	20,561	5,740	224,049
1949-50		55,557	37,119	26,360	26,018	7,077	258,635
1950-51		63,546	44,723	31,072	28,974	7,819	304,432

PER HEAD OF POPULATION.

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1938-39		18 13	7	14	8	3	19	3	6	20	13	6	23	9	0:	15	4	2	17	10	
1946-47		24 II	3	18	6	-5	22	16	3	26	17	O,	30	2	IO	17	14	1	22	18	9
1947–48		28 12	8	20	3	4	24	2	I	28	17	9	34	16	I	18	7	II	25	15	0
1948-49		31 7	2	22	3	4	29	I	4	32	16	10	39	7	6	21	8	0	28	16	II
1949–50		33 11	6	25	12	0	31	18	3	38	7	7	47	13	- 5	25	10	3	32	- 5	4
1950-51	• •	39 3	9	28	8	2	37	9	10	43	14	0	50	14	3	27	3	9	36	15	IJ
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3. Sources of Revenue.—(i) General. Classifying the revenue of the several States in the manner indicated in par. I above, particulars for the year 1950-51 are as follows:—

Source of Revenue.	N.S.W.(a)	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Таа.	Total.	
		To	ral Reve	NUE.				
			(£'000.)					
Taxation (b) Business Under-	14,547	9,315	5,377	4,053	2,013	2,107	37,412	
taking:	61,675	22,646	18,876	10,120	9,782	4	123,103	
Lands			2,087	308	615	195	7,917	
Interest (n.e.i.) Commonwealth Pay-	630	1,860	920	1,290	889	874	6,463	
ments— Tax Reimburse-								
ments	30,363	17,446	12,273	6,468	6,169	2,388	75,107	
Other(c)	9,426	7,064	3,200	6,909	7,372	1,471	35,442	
Miscellaneous	8,112	4,048	1,990	1,924	2,134	780	18,988	
Total	128,298	63,546	44,723	31,072	28,974	7,819	304,432	

PER HEAD OF POPULATION.

(£ s. d.)

Taxation (b) Business Under-	Ī	4	8	10	4	3	3	4	10	2	5	14	0	3	10	6	7	6	7	. 4	10	5
takings Lands Interest (n.e.l.)		I	I	9 8 10	0	2 10 16	6 5 7	15 1 0	16 15 15	5 0 5	14	4 8 16	8 8 3	17 1	2 1 11	5 6 2	0 0 3	0 13 0	6	' ó	17 19 15	
Commonwealth Payments— Tax Reimbursements Other (c) Miscelianeous			5 17 9		7 3 1	16 3 16	0 2 3	10 2 1	13 13	9 8 5	9 9	2 14 14	0 4 I	12	18	o o 8	5	6 2 14	0 4 2		1 5 5	7 8 11
Total	1	39	3	9	28	8	2	37	9	10	43	14	0	50	14	3	27	3	9	36	15	ıı

⁽a) See § 1 par. 2, page 779. (b) In all States certain taxation collections are not paid into Consolidated Revenue Fund. For total collections see next page. (c) Includes payments under Financial Agreement, Special Grants and Prices Control Reimbursement Grants.

In comparing the revenue of the States, it should be borne in mind that business undertakings which in one State may be controlled by the Government are, in another State, controlled by a board or trust. For example, in New South Wales and Western Australia the tramway systems are controlled by the Government, while in the other States ownership is largely vested in trusts. Harbour and river services and water supply and sewerage are also controlled in some cases by the State and in others by trusts. All the Tasmanian transport facilities are controlled by a commission.

(ii) Revenue from Taxation. (a) General. The following table shows, for the year 1950-51, particulars of all State taxation collections irrespective of whether such moneys have been paid into the Consolidated Revenue Funds or not. For this reason the particulars hereunder differ from those shown in the tables relating to the Consolidated Revenue Funds and represent a comprehensive statement of all taxation collections by the Government in each State. In this and the succeeding statements of taxation the collections have been grouped according to the nature of the tax rather than the method of collection. For example, stamp duties on betting tickets and bookmakers' licences have been included under "Entertainments Tax" instead of under "Stamp Duties"

and "Licences" respectively. Commonwealth payments under the State Grants (Tax Reimbursement) Act are included because these grants have replaced revenue received by the States from Income and Entertainments taxes prior to the introduction of the Uniform Tax Scheme in 1942-43:—

STATE REVENUE FROM TAXATION(a): TOTAL NET COLLECTIONS AND COMMONWEALTH TAX REIMBURSEMENTS, 1950-51.

(£.)

Tax.		N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Taa.	Total.
Probate and Succe Duties Other Stamp Duties Land Income (Arrears) Liquor Lotteries Entertainments (c) Motor Lidences (n.e.i.) Other	ession	4,988,445 2,476 202,510 1,367,012	415,180 52,523 780,166 1,608,598 3,808,886	2,052,415 373,879 7,377 269,056 210,750 246,020 2,591,674	778,839 282,222 701 43,148	889,223 179,700 7,481 171,374 244,411 955,795 22,430	265,432 108,080 20,863 95,395 61,215,037 130,159 451,486 3,994	11,961,600 1,361,537 291,455 2,726,151 1,425,787 4,429,693 15,569,074
Total	 Re-				i ————	ļ		51,676,506
imbursement(d) GRAND TOTAL	••	30,363,369 					<u> </u>	

⁽a) In this table the particulars represent the total net collections from all sources of taxation irrespective of whether such moneys are paid to Consolidated Revenue Funds. (b) Includes Income Tax on Lottery Prizes, £799.315. (c) Mainly Racing. (d) Excludes £75,000,000 Special Financial Assistance, which was distributed as follows:—New South Wales, £6,250,000; Victoria, £4,750,000; Queensland, £2,000,000; South Australia, £800,000; Western Australia, £1,000,000; and Tasmania, £200,000.

The table hereunder shows, for the year 1950-51, the proportion of collections under individual taxes to the total taxation revenue:—

STATE REVENUE FROM TAXATION: PROPORTIONS OF INDIVIDUAL TAXES, ETC., TO TOTAL, 1950-51.

(Per Cent.)

Tax.		N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
Probate and Successi Other Stamp Duties Land Income (Arrears) Liquor Lotteries Entertainments Motor Licences (n.e.i) Other		12.51 9.74 0.01 0.39 2.67 2.92 12.31 0.16	9.74 1.35 0.17 2.54	0.04 1.34 1.05	9.22 7.20 2.61 0.01 0.39 6.49 13.49 0.40	5.03 9.72 1.97 0.08 1.87 2.67 10.45 0.25	5.43 5.37 2.18 0.42 1.93 24.56 2.63 9.13 0.08	10.26 9.44 1.07 0.23 2.15 1.12 3.49 12.28 0.71
Total		40.71	43.11	38.60	40.18	32.55	51.73	40.75
Commonwealth T imbursement	ax Re-	59.29	56.89	61.40	59.82	67.45	48.27	59.25
GRAND TOTA	L	100,00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00

Prior to Federation, duties of Customs and Excise constituted the principal source of revenue from taxation. Thereafter, until the introduction of the Uniform Income Tax Scheme, the most productive State taxes were the various Income Taxes, which, in 1941-42, included Unemployment Relief, State Development and Hospital Taxes.

The total amounts and the amounts per head raised from all sources of taxation by the several State Governments, including amounts not paid into the Consolidated Revenue Fund and tax reimbursements received from the Commonwealth, during the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51, are shown in the following table:—

STATE REVENUE FROM TAXATION AND COMMONWEALTH TAX
REIMBURSEMENTS.

		· ·	EIMBUKS	EMENTS.			
Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
		Тот	AL NET (Collection	13.	1,	<u> </u>
1938-39 1946-47(a) 1947-48(a) 1948-49(a) 1949-50(a) 1950-51(a)	20,263 27,107 31,305 36,290 41,915 51,212	16,713 18,246 21,490 25,051	8,646 10,667 12,051 14,220 16,356 19,991	5,729 6,321 7,661	4,925 5,726 6,581 7,669	2,776	50,507 67,917 76,751 89,912 104,049 126,783
		PER		F POPULAT	ion.		
1938-39 1946-47(a) 1947-48(a) 1948-49(a) 1949-50(a) 1950-51(a)	7 8 2 9 3 0 10 8 3 11 16 11 13 4 4 15 12 10	8 3 II 8 I6 4 IO 3 5 II IO IO	9 1 ₄ 5 10 16 8 12 10 8	9 13 10 11 10 4	9 18 2 11 5 1 12 12 1	11 17 0 13 13 7 15 4 0	7 6 1 19 1 4 10 1 8 11 11 6 12 19 7 15 6 6

⁽a) Includes Commonwealth Tax Reimbursement.

(b) Probate and Succession Duties. Probate duties have been levied for many years in all the States, but the provisions of the Acts governing the payment of duty differ widely both in regard to the ordinary rates and those which apply to special beneficiaries. A table showing the values of the estates in which probates and letters of administration were granted is given in Chapter XVI.—Private Finance.

The duties collected for the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51 are as follows:—

STATE PROBATE AND SUCCESSION DUTIES: NET COLLECTIONS.

	 	(£.)				
State.	1938-39.	1946-47.	1947-48.	1948-49.	1949~50.	1950-51.
New South Wales Victoria Queensland South Australia Western Australia Tasmania	 2,364,124 1,374,355 677,037 366,526 123,798 94,669	943,33 ² 553,420 261,339	2,095,866	2,573,166 1,262,401 772,360 359,386	2,611,019 1,372,437 824,936 405,005	3,442,487 1,427,937 996,719 460,112
Total	 5,000,509	8,067,620	8,835,750	10,090,820	10,600,153	13,004,103

(c) Other Stamp Duties. The revenue derived from stamp duties (excluding probate and succession duties and stamp duties on betting tickets) for the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51 is shown in the accompanying table:—

OTHER STATE STAMP DUTIES: NET COLLECTIONS.

(£.)

State.		1938–39.	1946-47.	1947-48.	1948-49.	1949-50.	1950-51.
New South Wales		1,286,124	2,135,637	2,462,483	2,809,202	3,979,100	4,988,44
Victoria		959,727	1,335,406	1,482,628	1,655,893	2,376,726	2,987,24
Queensland		610,110	948,271	1,087,688	1,268,352	1,556,864	2,052,41
South Australia		249,729	350,234	390,662	436,422	636,792	778,83
Western Australia		274,995	387,998	432,797	500,745	672,690	889,22
Tasmania	••	84,832	121,002	137,300	158,135	208,558	265,43
Total		3,465,517	5,278,548	5,993,558	6,828,749	9,430,730	11,961,60

(d) Land Tax. All the States impose a land tax, but in New South Wales the State land tax is levied on the unincorporated portion of the Western Division of the State only.

The following table shows the amounts collected by means of such taxes during the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51:—

STATE LAND TAX: NET COLLECTIONS.

(£.)

State.	 1938-39.	1946–47.	1947–48.	1948–49.	1949-50.	1950-51.
New South Wales Victoria Queensland South Australia Western Australia	 2,154 482,336 401,682 321,482 114,623	111,920	372,383 284,503 110,657	370,547 374,450 284,694 131,783		415,180 373,879 282,222 179,700
Tasmania Total	 85,069	91,759		93,802	96,965, 	1,361,537

(e) Income Taxes. State taxes levied on incomes prior to the introduction of the Uniform Tax Scheme in 1942-43 were as follows:—

New South Wales—Income Tax, Super Tax and Further Tax on Undistributed Income of Companies;

Victoria-Income Tax, Special Income Tax, and Unemployment Relief Tax;

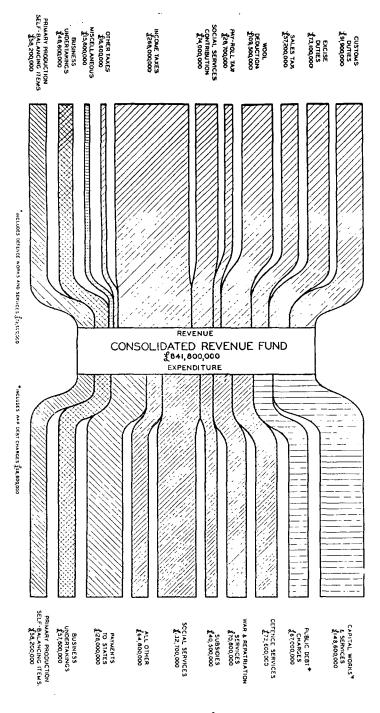
Queensland-Income Tax, Super Tax, Additional Tax and Income (State Development) Tax;

South Australia-Income Tax ;

Western Australia—Income Tax, Hospital Tax and Gold Mining Profits Tax; Tasmania—Income Tax.

Some details of these taxes are given in earlier issues of the Year Book.

COMMONWEALTH CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND, YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1951



COMMONWEALTH PAYMENTS £110,500,000 BUSINESS UNDERTAKINGS £123,100,000 MISCELLANEOUS TAXATION LANDS \$7,900,000 REVENUE CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUNDS \$304,500,000 EXPENDITURE HEALTH, HOSPITALS A CHARITABLE £34,800,000 LAW, ORDER & PUBLIC SAFETY ₹15,700,000 BUSINESS UNDERTAKINGS ₹IZ4,000,000 PUBLIC DEBT CHARGES £46,200,000 ALL OTHER €43,800,000 EDUCATION \$40,000,000

STATE CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUNDS, YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1951

When the Uniform Tax Scheme was introduced in 1942-43 these taxes, together with the Commonwealth War Tax, were discontinued, and the Commonwealth Income Tax rates were increased to raise the revenue previously raised by these taxes. The States are reimbursed by the Commonwealth for the revenue lost to them by the discontinuance of these taxes. Details of these reimbursement grants are given on pages 791 and 792.

In the following table total State collections of the taxes mentioned above are shown for the year 1938-39. For the years 1946-47 to 1950-51 the total of Commonwealth reimbursements and arrears of State taxes collected are shown.

STATE INCOME AND DIVIDEND TAXES: NET COLLECTIONS AND COMMONWEALTH TAX REIMBURSEMENTS.

	 	(£.)			
State.	1938-39.	1946–47. (a)	1947-48. (a)	1948-49. (a)	1949-50. (a)	1950-51. (a) (b)
New South Wales Victoria Queensland South Australia Western Australia Tasmania	 6,250,508 5,608,603 2,102,928 2,338,616	8,860,000 6,601,000 3,458,000 3,384,000	9,967,499 7,426,125 3,890,250 3,807,000	12,098,479 8,832,622 4,630,081 4,494,632	14,303,484 10,230,827 5,370,255 5,172,433	12,279,888
Total	 29,791,201	39,994,469	45,004,341	53,744,547	62,537,369	75,398,119

⁽a) Includes revenue received under States Grants (Tax Reimbursement) Act 1946-1948. (b) Includes £5,000,000 received under the States Grants (Additional Tax Reimbursement) Act 1950, but excludes £15,000,000 received under the States Grants (Special Financial Assistance) Act 1951.

(f) Motor Taxation. Motor taxation comprises tax and registration fees on motor vehicles, and licences of motor dealers, motor drivers and motor cycle riders, and public vehicles except when controlled by local government authorities. The following table shows the collections for the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51:—

STATE MOTOR TAXATION: NET COLLECTIONS.

	 	(£.)				
State.	1938-39.	1946–47.	1947–48.	1948-49.	1949-50.	1950-51.
New South Wales Victoria Queensland . South Australia Western Australia Tasmania	 2,762,678 1,913,689 939,757 715,944 453,053 175,591	2,093,747 1,068,979 737,371 429,009	3,469,003 2,388,718 1,242,086 795,283 691,242 312,704	2,647,318 1,498,003 1,107,860 689,960		3,808,886 2,591,674 1,458,854 955,795
Total	 6,960,712	7,547,384	8,899,036	10,255,728	12,037,771	15,569,074

Except in the case of South Australia, the proceeds of motor tax and motor registration fees are paid into special funds and the amounts do not appear in the Consolidated Revenue Funds. The total for Australia for the year 1950-51, £15,569,074, comprises registration fees and taxes, £12,216,825, drivers' and riders' licences, £1,090,045, and licences to operate, etc., £2,262,204.

(iii) Business Undertakings. (a) 1950-51. A very large proportion of State gross revenues is made up of receipts from business undertakings under the control of the Governments. The principal of these are railways and tramways, harbour works, water supply and sewerage and electricity supply, and, in addition, State batteries for the treatment of auriferous ores are included for Western Australia, and various minor

revenue-producing services are rendered by the Governments of all States. For the year 1950-51 the revenue from these sources was £123,102,359 or 40.4 per cent. of the revenue from all sources. Details of revenue are as follows:—

STATE REVENUE FROM BUSINESS UNDERTAKINGS, 1950-51.

(£.) N.S.W. Victoria. O'land. S. Aust. W. Aust. Tas.(a). Total Source. 49,447,738,618,797,703,18,875,882 7,160,460 6,970,696 101,252,479 Railways(b). Tramways and Omni-10,271,940 (d) 199,194 11,142,850 671,716 buses Rivers, Harbours, 1,955,074 (e) 406,337 1,136,472 441,059 3,938,942 Lights Water Supply, Sewer-age, Irrigation and 1,763,279 1,661,538 4,744,572 816,721 Drainage 1,319,755 **Electricity Supply** 4,000 666,095 378,834 1,206,795 252 161,614 Other Total 61,674,752 22,645,329 18,876,134 10,120,084 9,782,060 4,000 123,102,359

(b) 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51. The total revenue from Business Undertakings and the revenue per head in each State is shown in the following table for the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51:—

STATE REVENUE FROM BUSINESS UNDERTAKINGS.

Year		n.s.w.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.	
			ŗ	COTAL REV (£'000.			,		
1938-39	[24,676	11,649	7,642	4,957	5,633	(a) 511	55,068	
1946-47		37,838	16,473	10,550	6,901	5,953	3	77,718	
1947-48		46,207	19,131	10,956	7,434	6,701	9	90,438	
1948-49		49,974	20,457	14,909	8,389	7,728	6	101,463	
1949-50]	50,879	23,834	15,460	9,133	8,822	4	108,132	
1950-51]	61,675	22,646	18,876	10,120	9,782	4	123,103	
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1938-39																					
1946–47	 12	15	6	8	I	7	9	12	3	10	15	6	ΙI	19	7	0	О	3	10	6	1
1947–48																					
1948–49	 16	6	3	9	13	7	13	2	- 9	12	12	3	14	16	o	0	О	6	13	I	3
1949-50	 16	О	10	10	19	3	13	5	10	13	6	0	16	3	4	0	О	4	13	9	10
1950-51	 18	16	9	10	2	ϵ	15	16	5	14	4	8	17	2	5'	0	О	4	14	17	_7

⁽a) Includes Tasmanian transport services which were subsequently placed under the control of the Transport Commission.

In the table below particulars of total State revenue from Business Undertakings for the various types of undertakings are shown for the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51:—

STATE REVENUB FROM BUSINESS UNDERTAKINGS. (£'000.)

Source.	1938-39.	1946-47.	1947-48.	1948-49-	1949-50.	1950-51.
Railways, Tramways and Omnibuses Harbour Services Water Supply, Sewer- age, Irrigation and	48,154 2,357	70,142 2,623	82,264 2,912	92,321 3,257	98,289 3,627	112,396 3,939
Drainage	2,543 2,014	3,360 1,593	3,560 1,702	3,950 1,935	4,338 1,878	4,745 2,203
Total	55,068		90,438	101,463	108,132	123,103

⁽a) Tasmanian transport services are under the separate control of the Transport Commission. (b) The following contributions to Railways Revenue from Consolidated Revenue Fund are excluded—New South Wales, £800,000; Victoria, £1,789,670; South Australia, £2,600,000. (c) Includes electric tramways operated by the Railways Department. (d) Tramway contribution to Consolidated Revenue. (e) Includes Harbour Trust Fund contribution, £274,860.

(iv) Lands. The revenue from the sale and rental of Crown lands has, with few exceptions, been treated from the earliest times as forming part of the Consolidated Revenue Funds, and has been applied to meet ordinary expenses. The following table shows the revenue from sales and rentals of Crown lands for the year 1950-51:—

STATE LAND REVENUE, 1950-51.

				(Z.,	<u> </u>			
Source.		N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S.Aust.	W.Aust.	Tas.	Total.
Sales Condition	 al	84,136	87,455		53,980	38,778	3,001	267,350
Purchas Rentals		418,617		1,430,982	4,867 248,705	160,772 113,651	8,916 74,892	593,172 4,482,195
Other	• •	589,368 36,218	821,365 61,564	551,738	• •	286,376 15,652	3,527	2,353,272
Total	• •	3,545,429	1,167,259	2,087,262	307,552	615,229	194,761	7,917,492

The total land revenue for all States for the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51 respectively was:—£4,144,000, £5,190,000, £6,196,000, £6,476,000, £7,004,000, £7,917,000.

(v) Commonwealth Payments. Commonwealth Payments to the States represent a considerable proportion of the States' Revenue. In 1950-51 the total amount (excluding sundry minor items) paid to the Consolidated Revenue Funds of the States was £110,548,629 (36.3 per cent.). This was made up of the contribution towards interest on States' debts under the Financial Agreement, £7,584,912, special grants to the States of South Australia, Western Australia and Tasmania, £12,175,000, Prices Control Reimbursement, £682,053, Special Financial Assistance, £15,000,000, and Tax Reimbursement Grants, £75,106,664. The latter item has been included under the State taxation above as it is paid to the States as a reimbursement for vacating the field of income taxation.

In addition to these, the States receive a number of other payments which are paid to Trust Funds. The main items in this class are the contribution towards the sinking fund on States' debts (£2,241,106 in 1950-51) paid to the National Debt Sinking Fund and grants for Commonwealth Aid Roads (£13,542,537 in 1950-51) paid to State Trust Funds.

More detailed information concerning Commonwealth payments to the States is given under part A of this Chapter, (§ 2, Division IV., page 788).

(vi) Interest and Miscellaneous. In addition to the foregoing, there are in each State several miscellaneous sources of revenue, including such items as interest, fines, fees, etc. In 1950-51 interest, mainly from loans to local governing bodies, on public account balances and for Soldier Land Settlement supplied £6,462,672, whilst "Miscellaneous" revenue, which includes fines of the courts and fees for services, amounted to £18,988,807.

Division II.—Expenditure.

- 1. General.—The principal heads of State expenditure from Consolidated Revenue Funds are:—
 - (a) Interest, sinking fund and exchange charges in connexion with public debt; (b) Working expenses of railways, tramways and other business and industrial undertakings; (c) Education; (d) Health and charitable expenditure; (e) Justice; (f) Police; (g) Penal establishments; and (h) all other expenditure, under which heading is included Public Works, Lands and Surveys, Agriculture and Forestry, Legislative and General Administration, Pensions and Miscellaneous.

In earlier years the working expenses of Railways and Tramways were the most important item of State Governmental expenditure, but, for a period prior to 1941-42, Public Debt charges were the heaviest item. Since then, however, Railways and Tramways expenditure has again taken the major place. In the year 1950-51 the working expenses of the Railways and Tramways and Omnibuses were 37.9 per cent. of the total expenditure from the State Consolidated Revenue Funds; next in importance were Public Debt Charges, 15.2 per cent.; Education, 13.1 per cent.; Charitable, Public Health and Hospitals, 11.4 per cent.; and Law, Order and Public Safety, 5.1 per cent.

2. Total Expenditure.—The total expenditure from the Consolidated Revenue Funds of the several States and the expenditure per head of population during each of the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51 are shown in the following table:--

CTATE	EXPENDITURE:	CONSOLIDATED	DEVENUE	CHINDS

Year,	!	N.S	.w.	(a)	v	ictor	ia.	(Q'lan	d.	S	. Au	st.	W	. Aı	ıst.		Tas	š.		Tota	ıl.
				_			T	OTA	ьE	XP	END	– ITU	RE.				_					
									(£	"00	0.)											
1938-39			53,5	558		27,7	73		19,3	16		12,7	701		11,1	70		3,0	54 I	ı	28,1	159
1946-47			74,6			37,3			25,0			17,			15,0	29	١.	4,	573		73,8	
1947-48			36,2			42,2			26,9			19,1			18,0	062	1		102		97,7	
1948-49			95,9	918		48,2		1	32,9	29	i	22,1	30	1	21,3	378		5,8	345	2	26,4	125
1949-50		1	07,6	581		55,8		!	37,0	90		26,	550		25,9	994	1	7,3	344	2	60,2	175
1950-51		1	28,2	265		63,8	89		44,6	25	,	30,8	342		28,8	314	1	8,	066	3	04,5	501
		_						1			<u>:</u>											
						P	ER	ΗE	AD				TIO	N.								
									(£	8.	d.)						-			,		
1938-39		19	11	7	14	16	8	19	3	3	21	6	10	23	18	5	15	6	5	18	10	8
1946-47		25	3		18	6	4	22	16	o	.26			30	4	9	17	19	3	23	4	I
947-48		28	13	6	20	8		24	3	9	29	7	4	.35	9	II	19	9	9	25	19	6
948-49		31	6	1	22	16	5	29	ŏ		33	5	5	40	18	9	21	15	9	29	3	o
1949-50		33	18	11	25	14	5	31	17	9	38	13	I	47	12	7	26	9	6	32	9	11
1950-51		39	3	6	28	II	3	37	8	2	43	7	7	50	8	8	28	О	11	36	16	I
		1			1			1									1			1		

⁽a) See § 1, par. 2, page 799.

3. Details of Expenditure.—(i) 1950-51. The following table shows the total expenditure and expenditure per head for each of the principal items :-

STATE EXPENDITURE: DETAILS, 1950-51.

	1 ' 1		i		1	1 :	
Particulars.	N.S.W.(a)	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
	<u></u> .	Total	EXPENDI (£'000.)	TURE.	<u> </u>		
						,	
Public debt (interest,						1	
sinking fund, ex-						1 !	
change, etc.)	16,551	9,903	7,038	5,877	4,927	1,935	46,23
Railways	46,669	19,844	13,871	9,479	8,850	15	103,72
Tramways and Omni-		• • • • •				1 1	
buses	10,881				772	1]	11,65
Harbours and Rivers,						1	
etc	1,109	154		707	. 185	1 1	2,15
Water Supply, Sewer-						1	
age, Irrigation and						1 (
Drainage		1,721		1,344	1,072	!	4,13
Other Business and						! [
Industrial Under-				_		1	
takings		668	I	167	833		2,319
Education	16,141	10,644	4,957	3,442	3,171	1,618	39,973
Health and charitable	13,728	8,473	5,528	2,829	2,756	1,503	34,81
Justice	1,417	964	466	205		105	3,37
Police	3,247	2,600		768	765	357	9,831
Penal establishments	980	329	125		III	62	1,73
Public safety	211	215	174	28	6o	23	711
Reduction of previous deficits (c)		;			0-0		
	· '			474	818	-96	1,196
All other expenditure	17,331	8,374	5,371	5,398	4,275	1,894	42,643
Total	128,265	63,889	44,625	30,842	28,814	8,066	304,50

⁽a) See § 1, par. 2, page 799. Commonwealth Grant.

⁽b) Transport Commission loss.

⁽c) Appropriated from the

STATE EXPENDITURE: DETAILS, 1950-51-continued.

Particulars.	N	.s. ¹	w.	Vi	cto	ria.	Q	'lar	d.	8.	Αu	st.	w.	At	18 t.	2	Cas.		T	'ota	1.
				PE	R	Нвл	AD (Por d.)	PUL	LTI	ои.									
Public debt (interest, sinking fund, exchange, etc.) Railways	5			4 8	8 17	7 5	5	18	0 5	8	5 6	4 8		12	6		14			11	9
Tramways and Omni- buses Harbours and Rivers,	3	Ĭ.				3			,	-,		Ĭ	1	7	0			j	1	8	2
etc. Water Supply, Sewer- age, Irrigation and	٥	6	9	٥	1	5		• •			-	11	٥		6		•	• ;	0	5	2
Drainage Other Business and Industrial Under-		• •			_	5		••			17	10	1	17	6	ļ	•	. 1	0	10	C
takings	4	18 3	7 10 8	0 4 3	5 15 15 8	11 2 9	.4	3 12	8	3	19	8 10 7	4		2 0 6	5	5 12 4	6	0 4 4 0	5 16 4 8	8
Police Penal establishments	0	19	10	0	3	3	0		I I	0	5 1 3	6	0	7 6 3	8 9 11.		4		I 0	3 4	2
Public safety Reduction of previous deficits	0	.:	4	0		11	٥		11		13	9	1	8	7	-0		7	0		11
All other expenditure	5		10	_3	14		_	10		- 7	11	10	7	9	8	6	11	- 8 '			•
Total	39	3	6	28	11	3	37	8	2	43	7	7	50	8	8	.28	0	11	36	16	:

(ii) 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51. Expenditure for the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51 is shown in the following table:—

STATE EXPENDITURE. (£'000.)

Particulars.	1938-39.	1946-47.	1947-48.	1948-49.	1949-50.	1950-51.
Public debt (interest, sinking fund, exchange, etc.) Railways, Tramways and Omnibuses (working ex-	40,158	40,322	40,626	41,915	43,999	46,231
Omnibuses (working expenses)	38,138	62,505	74,311	87,914	99,239	115,381
Harbours and Rivers, etc	680	1,241	1,332	1,609	1,789	2,155
Water Supply, Sewerage, Irri-		1,241	, -,,,,,-	1,009	2,709	, -,-33
gation and Drainage	1,076	2,135	2,456	2,814	3,363	4,137
Other Business and Industrial	-,-,-	2,133	2,430	_,,	3,30	. 4,-37
Undertakings	1,035	1,184	1,467	2,318	2,340	2,319
Education	12,639	20,671	23,964		32,786	
Health and Charitable	15,307	14,437	18,683		27,739	34,817
Justice	1,323	1,828	2,075	2,536	2,851	
Police	3,733	-	5,987		8,257	9,831
Penal establishments	646	965	1,145	1,281	1,490	
Public safety	297	538	565	644	657	711
Reduction of previous deficits	-97	. 530	503	044	1,012	1,196
A 37 41 T-1-4	T2 T27	22,857	25,109	28,448		
All other expenditure	13,127	22,057	25,109	20,440	34,953	42,643
Total	128,159	173,857	197,720	226,425	260,475	304,501

Division III.—Surplus Revenue.

The following table shows for each of the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51 the total amount and amount per head of the surplus or deficit of each State:—

STATE SURPLUS REVENUE.

	 .	,		,	, ,		
Year.	N.S.W.(a)	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
			TOTAL A		<u>'</u>	•	
1938–39 1946–47 1947–48 1948–49 1949–50 1950–51	-2,459 -1,850 - 122 164 -1,177	- 787 5 - 554 - 1,383 - 259 - 343	14 16 94 50 . 29 . 98				-2,376
		PER]	HEAD OF	Pòpulatio d.)	N.		
1938–39 1946–47 1947–48 1948–49 1949–50	-0 12 6 -0 0 10 0 1 1 -0 7 5		0 0 3 -0 1 8 0 0 11	-0 1 10 -0 9 7 -0 8 7	0 0 10	-0 5 2 -1 1 10 -0 7 10	-0 4 6 -0 6 1 -0 4 7

(a) See § 1, para. 2, page 799.

Notr.—Minus sign (-) indicates deficit.

§ 3. State Trust Funds.

In addition to the moneys received as revenue and paid to the credit of Consolidated Revenue Funds, considerable sums are held by the State Governments in trust for various purposes. The balances of trust funds held at 30th June of the years 1939 and 1947 to 1951 were as follows:—

STATE TRUST FUND BALANCES. (£'000.)

At 30th	June.	N.S.W.(a)	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
1939 1947 1948 1949 1950		15,684 23,753 35,297 29,559 32,922 43,169	8,189 18,880 17,303 16,448 16,468 18,725	3,062 30,525 29,751 29,924 30,382 33,997	1,448 2,352 2,855 2,689 3,162 6,184	3,744 8,081 8,639 9,380 10,929	530 923 709 609 390 360	32,657 84,514 94,554 88,609 94,253 114,435

(a) Special Deposits Account and Special Accounts.

§ 4. State Loan Funds.

1. General.—As far back as 1842 revenue collections were supplemented by borrowed moneys, the earliest loan being raised by New South Wales for the purpose of assisting immigration, at rates of interest varying from 2 dd. to 5 dd. per £100 per diem, or

approximately from 4½ per cent. to 8 per cent. per annum. Australian public borrowing, however, is mainly due to the fact that the State Governments, in addition to ordinary administrative duties, undertake functions which in other countries are usually entrusted to local authorities or left to private enterprise. Foremost amongst these are the construction and control of the railway systems. Loan moneys have also been largely used for improvements to harbours and rivers, and for the construction of roads, water supply and sewerage works. The State loan expenditure and public debt thus differ very materially from those of most European countries, and from those of the Commonwealth, where such expenditure was very largely incurred for defence or war purposes. As shown above, the State debts consist chiefly of moneys raised and expended with the object of assisting the development of the resources of the country, and are to a very large extent represented by tangible assets.

Statements relating to Loan Expenditure are shown below for both "gross" and "net" expenditure. The gross expenditure represents the amounts disbursed during each year whereas the net expenditure represents the gross expenditure less any credits to the Loan Fund during the year on account of repayments of advances to local governing bodies, settlers, etc., the sale of assets, and transfers from other funds. Such moneys are credited to the Loan Fund in the year of repayment irrespective of when the advance was made.

2. Details of Loan Expenditure.—(i) Gross Loan Expenditure, 1950-51. Particulars of the gross loan expenditure on Works, Services, etc., for the year 1950-51 are shown in the following table:—

STATE GROSS LOAN EXPENDITURE ON WORKS, SERVICES, ETC., 1950-51.

			£'000.)	7			
Heads of Expenditure.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	-S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
Public Works and Services—Railways Tramways and Omnibuses Roads Bridges Harbours and Rivers Lights and Lighthouses Water Supply Sewerage Electricity Supply Public Buildings Loans and Grants to Local Bodies Unemployment Relief Works Housing(b) Other Public Works, etc. Primary Production—Soldier Settlement Land for Settlement Land for Settlement Advances to Settlers Water Conservation Irrigation and Drainage Rabbit-proof Fencing Agriculture Agricultural Bank Forestry Mines and Mineral Resources Other. Other Purposes	15,910 1,185 216 1,031 1,031 3,703 338 1,232 502 4,596 3,401 715 349 226	7,044 {	6,790 811 4 500 1,982 3,464 270 757 3 148 920 1,273 206	2,521 300 100 532 2,673 630 5,000 953 5,722 32 4 71 26 51 327 (e)	2,304 325 { 695 3,72 3,296 1,037 88 88 	1,532 506 5,325 928 4,824 1,248 219 81 329	36,101 1,810 4,771 } 12,968 19,970 16,471 3,940 12,952 2,207 10,916 666 308 5,045 59 375 922 4,878 1,800 1,800 388 4,835
Total Public Works, Services, etc., Per Head of Population	41,168 £12 11 6	35,309 £15 15 9	17,698 £14 16 9	20,601 £28 19 6	11,404 £19 19 2	15,200 £52 17 1	£17 1 9

⁽a) Expenditure from Loan Funds and on account of Loans; includes expenditure from Loan Funds, from Treasurer's Advance Account, and from State Loans Repayment Fund.

(b) Excludes expenditure from Commonwealth - State Housing Agreements.

(c) Included with Advances to Settlers.

(d) Includes Gas and Fuel Corporation shares, £2,551,000.

(ii) Net Loan Expenditure, 1950-51. For the year ended 30th June, 1951, State net loan expenditure on Works, Services, etc., was as follows:—

STATE NET LOAN EXPENDITURE ON WORKS, SERVICES, ETC., 1950-51. $(\pounds'000.)$

Heads of Expenditure.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	8.Aust. (b)	W.Aust.	Tas.	Total.
Public Works and Services— Railways	15,654	7,009	6,761	2,491	1,633	1,341	34,889
Tramways and Omnibuses	1,155	7,009	0,701	300	229	1,341	1,684
Roads	1	5 777	1 66		,) ''	_,,
Bridges	} 154	ጚ ∷ 2¦	616	90	••	277	4,243
Harbours and Rivers	1,019	25	. 2 .	1	582		77-70
Lights and Lighthouses				503	١ ا	י	
Water Supply	1	5 7,117	500	2,596	1,181	'	1 0-0
Sewerage	438	27	!	593	356		£ 12,808
Electricity Supply	5,020	1,250		5,000	3,296	5,245	19,811
Public Buildings	5,593	5,605	1,963	904	1,001	918	15,984
Loans and Grants to Local				· i			
Bodies	337	136	2,810	-1	• •	-15	3,262
Unemployment Relief	!			i			
_ Works	<u>-43</u>	34		•••		1	- 7
Housing (c)	726		145	5,111	••	4,413	11,11
Other Public Works, etc.	493	328		-34	88	889	1,76.
Primary Production—	i . i						_
Soldier Settlement	3,106	5,182	-22	-315		-122	7,82
Land for Settlement		910	466	- 206	17	32	-66
Advances to Settlers		-12	-15	-33		126	. 6
Water Conservation	3,000		739	∫ <u>4</u> 9	333	• • •	3 4,57
Irrigation and Drainage	,] 3,000	• •		28r ∫	175	• •	1
Rabbit-proof Fencing		20		(d)	• • •		į
Agriculture	214	• • •	-157		10	• • •	6
Agricultural Bank	!	•••	799	• • •	••		79
Forestry Mines and Mineral Re-	711	1,114	1,273	171	202	318	3,78
						1	i
Sources Other	347	129	192		438		1,74
	225	79	-33	-11	2	-26	23
Other Purposes	i ••	(e) 3,467		156	784		4,40
Total Public Works, Ser-	!	· 	!	<u> </u>			
vices, etc., Expenditure	38,149	32,024	16,031	18,285	10,327	13,531	128,34
Per Head of Population	£II 13 0		£13 8 10		£18 1 6		

⁽a) Expenditure from Loan Funds and on account of Loans; includes expenditure from Loan Funds, from Treasurer's Advance Account, and from State Loans Repayment Fund.

(b) Credits arising from the cancellation of securities redeemed from Sinking Fund are not included.

(c) Excludes expenditure from Commonwealth loans under Commonwealth-State Housing Agreements.

(d) Included in Advances to Settlers.

(e) Includes Gas and Fuel Corporation shares, £2,551,000.

3. Loan Expenditure on Works, Services, etc., 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51.—
(i) Gross Loan Expenditure. Gross loan expenditure on works, etc. for the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51 is shown in the following table:—

STATE GROSS LOAN EXPENDITURE ON WORKS, SERVICES, ETC.

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
		Gross	E LOAN EX		Е.		
1938–39	22,960	3,218 7,111 11,013 12,727 20,325 35,309	3,393 4,532 5,822 7,118 9,035 17,698	2,529 5,305 5,607 7,149 12,122 20,601	1,783 2,231 3,031 3,819 8,351 11,404	1,687 2,056 3,463 4,393 5,783 15,200	21,399 30,333 45,177 58,166 82,835 141,386

(a) Ses footnote (a) to previous table.

STATE GROSS LOAN EXPENDITURE ON WORKS, SERVICES, ETC.—continued.

		, 			<u> </u>			
Year.		N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
			Per	HEAD OF	POPULATIO	N.		
1938–39 1946–47 1947–48 1948–49 1949–50	•••	3 4 3 3 1 5 5 8 6 7 9 10 8 11 7	9 7 4	7 15 4	10 15 0 17 13 0	5 19 2 7 6 3 15 6 0	8 1 6 13 4 7 16 7 7 20 17 0	4 I 0 5 I8 9 7 9 9 10 6 8

(a) See footnote (a) to previous table.

(ii) Net Loan Expenditure. The following table shows the works net loan expenditure during each of the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51:

STATE NET LOAN EXPENDITURE ON WORKS, SERVICES, ETC.

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria. (a)	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
		Net	Loan Ex	PENDITURI	2,		
		·	(£'000.	.)			
1938-39 1946-47 1947-48 1948-49 1949-50 1950-51	5,408 8,640 15,129 22,056 24,850 38,149	2,290 5,091 8,786 10,534 17,869 32,024	2,041 3,579 4,718 5,866 7,910 16,031	1,226 3,628 3,805 5,214 9,968 18,285	1,636 2,043 2,537 3,580 8,105 10,327	577 828 2,634 3,511 4,880 13,531	13,178 23,809 37,609 50,761 73,582 128,347
		PER :	HEAD OF	Populatio	n.		
			(£ s.	<i>d</i> .)		;	
1938–39 1946–47 1947–48 1948–49 1949–50	1 19 6 2 18 4 5 0 8 7 4 0 7 16 8	I 4 (2 9 II 4 4 II 4 I9 8 8 4 8	2 0 6 3 5 3 4 4 10 5 3 5 6 16 0	5 13 4 5 16 8 7 16 9	4 I9 9 5 I7 2	10 I 3 13 I 9	6 10

(a) See footnotes (a) and (b) to table in par. 2 (ii) above.

The four tables in this paragraph and paragraph 2 do not include particulars of expenditure on loan discounts and flotations, the funding of deficits, the retirement of treasury bills, and similar items of a nature other than works, services, etc. The aggregate net expenditure on those items to 30th June, 1951 is shown in paragraph 4 following. Summaries of the gross and net expenditure and repayments in respect of all loan purposes for the years 1948-49 to 1950-51 are shown in paragraph 5 following.

4. Total Net Loan Expenditure to 30th June, 1951.—The total net loan expenditure including revenue deficits, etc., of the States from the initiation of borrowing to 30th June, 1951 amounted to £1,415,830,000. The purposes for which this sum was expended are shown in the following table:—

STATE NET LOAN EXPENDITURE TO 30th JUNE, 1951. (£'000.)

			(20 000.)				
Heads of Expenditure.	N.S.W.	Victoria.(a)	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
Public Works and Ser-							
vices		i		i		í	
Railways	204,744	92,160	78,572	43,050	30,616	10,590	459,732
Tramways and Om-				1			
nibuses	12,940			(b) 4,786	1,785		19,511
Roads and Bridges '	21,076	14,331	8,801	. 3,922	3,183	11	}
Harbours, Rivers,		ł				> 8,456	110,423
Lighthouses	26,297	1,868	3,691	9,763	9,035	IJ	
Water Supply	42,115	5 49,432	2,063	26,063	13,754		144,499
Sewerage	, .	2/0	• •	5,577	5,219		1)
Electricity Supply	8,820	19,089		10,500	9,643	20,271	68,323
Public Buildings	33,843	22,909	14,390	6,808	6,377	5,262	89,589
Loans and Grants to					1	i	
Local Bodies	2,511	2,091	1 24,886	7	87	235	29,817
Unemployment 'Re-			!		4.	i	į.
lief Works	16,122	13,147			(c)	332	29,601
Housing (d)	5,632	4,365	4,045	16,426	786	4.973	36,227
Commonwealth Ser-			!	1	1	}	i .
vices	3,965		524	1,283			5,772
Other Public Works					1		i
and Services	5,775	1,684	2,917	1,020	2,238	4,369	18,003
Primary Production-			•		1	1	
Closer Settlement :	11,679		(e) 968	1,006	7,237	213	21,103
Land for Settlement		41,571	4:393	roo	336		46,400
Soldier Settlement	15,279	22,826	773	6,813	3,518	1.721	50,930
Advances to Settlers	1,964	3,764	117	1,630	2,060	463	9,998
Water Conservation)	1.	t .	4,260	1,862)
Irrigation and Drain-	> 29,977	1	3,731	3		ł	1 } 48,977
age)			5,599	3,548]
Rabbit-proof Fenc-		1			i	i	1-
ing	288	985	, 128	(f)	340		1,741
Agriculture (g)	5,562	1,154			4,070		11,580
Agricultural Bank			5,387		(h) 4,311		9,698
Forestry	3,032	10,005	5,338	1,352	1,387	1,422	22,536
Mines and Mineral							1
Resources	1,360	786	2,585	2,415	5,086	1	12,232
Other;	930	1,540	2,341	743	199	270	6,023
Other Purposes	89	(i) 6,693	123	(j) 3,235	(k) 10,925		21,065
Total Public Works,	•			-!			
Services, etc., Ex-					_	_	ļ
penditure	454,000	310,676	166,567	156,358	127,602	58,577	1,273,780
Other than Works,	,						
etc			}			}	1
Discounts and Flota-				1			
tion Expenses	26,401	9,772	10,791	3,270	5,948	2,050	58,232
Revenue and General	0 . 0	}			1	1	
Cash Deficits	38,948	11,055	5,826	8,730	12,115	2,237	78,911
Treasury Bills Re-		1	- 0	1			1
tired	• •	••	2,857			• •	2,857
Other	••		(l) 2,050		• • •	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	2,050
Grand Total	519,349	331,503	188,091	168,358	145,665	62,864	1,415,830
Grand Louis	3*9:349	334,303	100,091	100,350	143,005	02,004	1,415,030

⁽a) Aggregate Gross Loan Expenditure. (b) Loans to Municipal Tramways Trust. (c) Not available separately. Distributed under various particular headings. (d) Expenditure from Commonwealth Loans under Commonwealth-State Housing Agreement has been excluded. (e) Under Prickly Pear and Land Act. (f) Included with Advances to Settlers. (g) Includes grain elevators, New South Wales and Victoria. (h) Includes Government Agency Department of Rural and Industries Bank, £2,680.000. (i) Includes Gas and Fuel Corporation shares, £2,551,000. (j) Includes £1,549,000 State Bank. (k) Includes Rural and Industries Bank, £5,674,000. (l) Contributions to Sinking Fund.

The figures in the foregoing table show the amounts actually expended from loan fund, and differ from those shown later in the statements relating to the public debt, which represent the amount of loans still outstanding. The statement above includes all expenditure, whether the loans have been repaid or are still in existence. As in the earlier tables on net loan expenditure, allowance has been made, however, for credits on account of repayments of advances to local government bodies, settlers, etc., the sale

of assets, and transfers from other funds. In the public debt statement, on the other hand, loans repaid are not included, and in the case of loans still outstanding, each is shown according to the amount repayable at maturity, and not according to the amount originally available for expenditure.

5. Total Loan Expenditure, 1948-49 to 1950-51.—The following table shows particulars, in summary form, of the total loan expenditure in each State during each of the years 1948-49 to 1950-51.

STATE LOAN EXPENDITURE: SUMMARY. (£'000.)

Particulars.	n.s.w.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
		19	48-49.	1			1
Works and Services-							
Gross Expenditure	22,960	12,727	7,118	7,149	3,819	4,393	58,16
Net Expenditure	22,056	10,534	5,866	5,214	3,580	3,511	50,76
Repayments	904	2,193	1,252	1,935	239	882	7,40
Other than Works, etc. (a)				1330	"		7,40.
Gross Expenditure	546	1,494	563	602	14	502	3,72
Net Expenditure	546	1,494	563	602	10	491	3,70
Repayments	••		••	• •	(b) 4	11	1
Potal Loan Expenditure—		i			-		
Gross	23,506	14,221	7,681	. 7,751	3,833	4,895	61,88
Net	22,602	12,028	6,429	5,816	3,590	4,002	54,46
Repayments	904	2,193	1,252	1,935	243	893	7,420
		19	49-50.				
Works and Services—							
Gross Expenditure	27,219	20,325	9,035	12,122	8,351	5,783	82,83
Net Expenditure	24,850	17,869	7,910	9,968	.8,105	4,880	73,58
Repayments	2,369	2,456	1,125	2,154	246	903	9,25
Other than Works, etc.(a)—	0.	- 0			1		
Gross Expenditure	1,184	2,819	288	71	491	88	4,94
Net Expenditure	1,184	2,819	288	54	485	62	4,89
Repayments		••		17	(b) 6	26	49
Cotal Loan Expenditure-							
Gross	28,403	23,144	9,323	12,193	8,842	5,871	87,776
Net	26,034	20,688	8,198	10,022	8,590	4,942	78,474
Repayments	2,369	2,456	1,125	2,171	252	929	9,302
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		19	50-51.		<u>'</u>		
Works and Services-		- 1	1		1 1	ļ	
Gross Expenditure	41,168	35,309	17,698	20,601	11,404	15,200	141,380
Net Expenditure	38,149	32,024	16,031	18,285	10,327	13,531	128,347
Repayments	3,019	3,285	1,667	2,316	1,077	1,669	13,033
Other than Works, etc. (a)—		į	?		1 1	- 1	
Gross Expenditure—			ļ	•	1 1	į	
Discounts and Flotation Expenses	27.5		1	22		,	
Revenue and General	2,745	47	••	22	29		2,843
Cash Deficits	1	1	[1 1	201	20-
Contribution to Sinking			•••	.,	"	201	201
Fund			150		1	1	150
Total	2,745	47	150	22	29	201	
Net Expenditure—	2,743	4/				201	3,194
Discounts and Flotation	1	1	ļ				
Expenses	2,745	47		22	20		a 8a .
Revenue and General	~,/43	4/			1 20	1	2,834
Cash Deficits		1		• •	i	201	201
Contribution to Sinking	٠٠				"		201
Fund			150		!	1	150
Total	2,745	47	150	22	20	201	3,185
D							
		<u></u> -			(b) 9 _		9
Total Loan Expenditure—	. 1		- 0 0	6.			
Gross	43,913	35,356	17,848	20,623	11,433	15,401	144,574
Net	40,894	32,071	16,181	18,307	10,347	13,732	131,532
Repayments	3,019	3,285	1,667	2,316	1,086	1,669	13,042

⁽a) Includes exchange, discounts and flotation expenses, revenue and general cash deficits. Consolidated Revenue Fund.

Information relating to the States Public Debt is given in part D. Commonwealth and State Public Debt (page 820).

⁽b) From

C. COMMONWEALTH AND STATE FINANCE.

1. Revenue and Expenditure.—(i) Consolidated Revenue Funds. The following tables show the aggregate revenue and expenditure of the Consolidated Revenue Funds of the Commonwealth and States for each of the years 1938–39 and 1946–47 to 1950–51. In these tables the combined Commonwealth and State totals have been adjusted to exclude major duplications, but the separate Commonwealth and State figures are as shown in other sections of this Year Book. The items excluded from the adjusted figures include the following:—payments made by the Commonwealth to the States on account of tax reimbursements, interest under the Financial Agreement, Special Grants, Special Financial Assistance, Coal Strike Emergency Grants, Price Control Reimbursements and estimated payments of pay-roll tax by the States to the Commonwealth.

COMMONWEALTH AND STATE CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUNDS: REVENUE.

					Common-		Tot	aI.	
	Year ended 30th June-				wealth.	State.	Unadjusted.	Adjusted.	
					£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£m.	
1939					95,064	124,283	219,347	209.6	
1947					431,256	171,854	603,110	549.4	
1948					465,905	196,000	661,905	601.3	
1949					554,377	224,049	778,426	706.6	
1950			,		580,652	258,635	839,287	746.6	
1951					841,792	304,432	1,146,224	1,032.0	

COMMONWEALTH AND STATE CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUNDS: EXPENDITURE.

	•			Common-		Total.		
	Year ended 30th June-			wealth.	State.	Unadjusted.	Adjusted.	
				£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£m.	
1939				 94,437	128,159	222,596	212.8	
1947				 431,256	173,857	605,113	549.3	
1948				 464,485	197,720	662,205	601.6	
1949				 554,377	226,425	780,802	709.0	
1950				 580,652	260,475	841,127	748.4	
1951				 841,792	304,501	1,146,293	1,032.0	
					1]		

(ii) Loan Expenditure. The aggregate gross and net loan expenditures of the Commonwealth and States on Works and Services for the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51 are shown in the following table:—

COMMONWEALTH AND STATE LOAN EXPENDITURE: WORKS AND SERVICES.(a) (£'000.)

		ļ	Gross I	Loan Expen	diture.	Net Loan Expenditure.			
Year en	ded 30th	June—	Common- wealth.(b)	State.	Total.	Common- wealth.(b)	State.	Total.	
1939	••		3,913	21,399	25,312	3,594	13,178	16,772	
1947			48,909	30,337	79,246	48,895	23,809	72,704	
1948			13,305	45,177	58,482	13,126	37,609	50,735	
1949			14,492	58,166	72,658	-4,253	50,761	46,508	
1950			42,698	82,835	125,533	42,682	73,582	116,264	
1951	• •	• •	50,413	141,380	191,793	50,383	128,347	178,730	

⁽a) Excludes expenditure on loan flotations, funding deficits, etc. (b) Includes expenditure on Defence, War (1939-45) and Repatriation Services. Excludes payments to National Debt Sinking Fund from proceeds of loan from International Bank of Reconstruction and Development (see page 838).

NOTE.—Minus sign (-) indicates an excess of repayments to loan funds.

2. Taxation.—The following table shows the combined Commonwealth and State taxation, and the amount per head of population, for the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51. Taxation collections by the State Governments which are not paid into the Consolidated Revenue Funds have been included.

COMMONWEALTH AND STATE TAXATION: TOTAL NET COLLECTIONS.

Particulars.	1938-39.	1946–47.	1947-48.	1948-49.	1949-50.	1950-51.
	NET	Collecti	ons.	,		<u></u>
•		(£'000.)			•	
Commonwealth (a)—	1		İ			
Income Tax	11,882	207,765	232,900	272,347	279,654	341,957
Customs and Excise	47,633					
Sales Tax	9,308		34,729	39,029	42,425	
Pay-roll Tax		13,647	16,595	19,803	22,728	
Wheat Tax and Export						
Charge		5,500	5,730	18,086	12,633	13,353
Wool Contributory Charge		4,497	1,424	1,029	1,439	
Wool Deduction						109,531
Other	5,288	15,696	15,430	14,319	16,197	16,604
Total	74,111	385,616	422,413	490,813	518,959	777,187
State (b)—						
Income Tax	29,791	(c) 53I	(c) 416	(c) 257	(c) 267	(c) 291
Other	20,716					
				l		
Total	50,507	d28,453	d32,163	d36,424	d41,778	d51,676
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PER HEAD OF POPULATION.

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⁽a) For details see page 761. (b) For details see pages 802-7. (c) Arrears of State Income Tax. (d) Excludes Tax Reimbursements.

D. COMMONWEALTH AND STATE PUBLIC DEBT. § 1. General.

Under the Financial Agreement between the Commonwealth and the States in 1927 the Commonwealth and State Public Debts were amalgamated and the Commonwealth Government accepted responsibility for the State Public Debts. The Commonwealth is reimbursed by the States for interest, exchange, etc., paid on their behalf and the debt is redeemed from a sinking fund to which both the Commonwealth and the States make contributions. Under the agreement the Commonwealth arranges for all borrowings on behalf of the Commonwealth and the States, and Commonwealth securities are issued for all money borrowed.

In the statistical tables relating to Public Debt the units of currency for debt outstanding and interest payable, with the exception referred to below, are:—Debt in Australia—£ Australian; Debt in London—£ Sterling; Debt in New York—£ (converted from dollars at the rate of \$4.8665 to £1).

The totals shown represent the total "face" or "book" value of the debt without adjustment on account of the differences in currency mentioned above.

In § 3. par. 5 only, details of the debt for the Commonwealth and each State are given in Australian currency.

§ 2. The Financial Agreement between the Commonwealth and the States.

- 1. General.—Full details of the Financial Agreement between the Commonwealth and the States are given in earlier issues of the Official Year Book (see No. 37, pages 685 to 690). In this issue a summary of the main provisions only is given.
- 2. Australian Loan Council.—The Australian Loan Council was set up to co-ordinate the public borrowings of the Commonwealth and the States. It consists of the Prime Minister of the Commonwealth as Chairman and the Premier of each State, or Ministers nominated by them in writing. Each year the Loan Council examines the loan programmes of the Commonwealth and the States and determines the total amount to be borrowed during the year. Borrowings by the Commonwealth for defence purposes are not subject to decisions of the Loan Council.
- 3. Loan Raisings for the Commonwealth and States.—Subject to the decisions of the Loan Council, the Commonwealth arranges for all borrowings for or on behalf of the Commonwealth or any State, and for all conversions, renewals, redemptions, and consolidations of the Public Debts of the Commonwealth and of the States.

If the Loan Council unanimously decides, however, a State may borrow outside Australia in the name of the State, and may issue securities for the amount so borrowed. The Commonwealth then guarantees that the State will fulfil all its obligations to bondholders in respect of the money so borrowed and the money is deemed to be borrowed, by the Commonwealth for and on behalf of the State.

Subject to any maximum limits decided upon by the Loan Council for interest, brokerage, discount and other charges, the Commonwealth or any State may—

- (i) Borrow within its own territory, for any purpose, money from any authorities, bodies, funds or institutions (including Savings Banks) constituted or established under Commonwealth or State law or practice;
- (ii) Borrow from the public by means of counter sales of securities; and

(iii) Use any available public moneys.

However, any securities issued for money so borrowed or used must be Commonwealth securities on terms approved by the Loan Council.

- 4. Taking over of State Public Debts.—The Commonwealth took over on 1st July, 1929—
 - (a) the balance then unpaid of the gross public debt of each State existing on 30th June, 1927; and
 - (b) all other debts of each State existing on 1st July, 1929 for money borrowed by that State deemed by the Agreement to be money borrowed by the Commonwealth for and on behalf of the State,

and in respect of these debts assumed, as between the Commonwealth and the States, the liabilities of the States to bond holders.

- 5. Transferred Properties.—In respect of State properties transferred to the Commonwealth under Section 85 of the Constitution, the States, as from 1st July, 1929, were discharged from any liability in respect of principal, interest or sinking fund on so much of the debts bearing interest at 5 per cent. per annum, taken over by the Commonwealth, as amounted to the agreed value of these properties, namely £10,924,323.
- 6. Payment of Interest.—For a period of 58 years from 1st July, 1927 the Commonwealth agreed to contribute the sum of £7,584,912 each year towards the interest payable on the State debts. The balance of the interest payable on the State debts is paid to the Commonwealth by the States.
- 7. Sinking Fund.—(i) State Public Debt existing at 30th June, 1927. A sinking fund at the rate of 7s. 6d. per annum for each £100 of the net public debts of the States existing on 30th June, 1927, and conversions thereof, was established under the terms of the Agreement. The Commonwealth contributes annually from revenue 2s. 6d. per cent. on the net public debts of the States existing at 30th June, 1927 and each State contributes annually 5s. per cent. on the net public debt of such State at 30th June, 1927. The payments of the Commonwealth and of all States except New South Wales will continue for a period of 58 years from 1st July, 1927, and those of New South Wales for a similar period from 1st July, 1928.
- (ii) New Borrowings. On new borrowings after 1st July, 1927 (except those for redemptions or conversions, or funding a State deficit) a sinking fund at the rate of 10s. per cent. per annum was established and the State and the Commonwealth contribute from revenue equal shares for a period of 53 years from the date of raising. (New South Wales did not commence sinking fund contributions in respect of new loans raised in the financial year 1927-28 until 1st July, 1928.)
- (iii) Loans raised to meet a Revenue Deficit. In respect of any loan (except any of the loans referred to in par. (iv) below) raised after 30th June, 1927 by a State to meet a revenue deficit accruing after that date, no sinking fund contribution is made by the Commonwealth, but the State makes a sinking fund contribution at the rate of not less than 4 per cent. per annum of the loan for a period sufficient to provide for the redemption of the loan, the contributions being deemed to accumulate at the rate of $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. per annum compound interest.
- (iv) Loans raised to meet Revenue Deficits between 30th June, 1927 and 1st July, 1935. In respect of loans raised by a State or by the Commonwealth on behalf of a State, on the security of Commonwealth Treasury Bills, to meet a revenue deficit accruing after 30th June, 1927 and before 1st July, 1935, special contributions are payable. Details of these contributions are given in Official Year Book No. 37, pages 688 and 689.
- (v) National Debt Commission. The sinking funds established are controlled by the National Debt Commission which may arrange with any State to act as its agent in connexion with payments due to bond holders. Except where the conditions relating to sinking funds, redemption funds, and funds of a like nature held by a State on 30th June, 1929, precluded such transfer, all such funds were transferred to the National Debt Commission.
- (vi) Operation of Sinking Fund. Sinking fund contributions made in respect of the debts of a State, and funds of that State transferred to the National Debt Commission, are not accumulated but must be applied, whenever expedient, to the redemption and repurchase of loan securities. When such a loan security is repurchased or redeemed by the National Debt Commission, it is cancelled, and the State, in addition to sinking fund contributions otherwise payable, pays a further annual sinking fund contribution at the rate of $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. on the face value of the cancelled security.
- (vii) Oversea Debt. Sinking fund contributions in respect of oversea debt shall be calculated at the mint par of exchange prevailing on 1st July, 1927.

8. Borrowing by Semi-Governmental Authorities.—It was realized at the inception of the Loan Council that, in the interests of co-ordinated borrowing, the Council should be advised of borrowings of large amounts by semi-governmental authorities. In May, 1936, all resolutions passed by the Loan Council in connexion with semi-governmental borrowings were consolidated into one set of rules, which superseded all previous resolutions. This set of rules is regarded as the "Gentlemen's Agreement", and provides, inter alia, for the submission of annual loan programmes in respect of semi-governmental authorities proposing to raise £100,000 or more in a year, for the consideration of such programmes in conjunction with the loan programme of the Government concerned, and for the fixing of the terms of individual semi-governmental loans coming within the scope of the annual programme.

§ 3. Commonwealth and State Public Debt Outstanding.

1. Public Debt and Annual Interest Payable at 30th June, 1951.—In the following table details are given of the Commonwealth and State Public Debt and annual interest payable at 30th June, 1951.

COMMONWEALTH AND STATE PUBLIC DEBT AND ANNUAL INTEREST PAYABLE AT 30th JUNE, 1951.

		Maturing in-										
Particulars.	Australia.	London.	New York.	Total.								
Debt.												
Commonwealth Debt—	£A.'000.	£ Stg.'ooo.	£'000.	£'000.								
War (1914-18) Debt(a)— Stock and Bonds War and Peace Savings Certificates and	148,888	8,333	į	157,221								
Stamps and War Gratuity Bonds	139		:	139								
Total War (1914-18) Debt	149,027	8,333		157,360								
War (1939-45) Debt-												
Stock and Bonds	1,062,032	5,775	•••	1,067,807								
Advance Loan Subscriptions	1,027	• • •		1,027								
National Savings Bonds	1,792		• • • • •	1,792								
War Savings and Savings Certificates	48,115	• •	• •	48,115								
War Savings Stamps	136		• •	136								
National Savings Stamps	19		• •	19								
Treasury Bills, Internal	278,000		• •	278,000								
Treasury Bills, Public	108,280			108,280								
Total War (1939-45) Debt	1,499,401	5,775	••	1,505,176								
Works and Other Purposes-		, , , ,										
Stock and Bonds	111,451	48,749	15,521	175,721								
Treasury Bills and Debentures	• • •	1,220	• •	1,220								
Treasury Bills, Internal	10,810	٠		10,810								
International Bank Dollar Loan	••	'' _	1,862	1,862								
Total Works and Other Purposes	122,261	49,969	17,383	189,613								
Total Commonwealth Debt	1,770,689	64,077	17,383	1,852,149								
State Debt— Stock and Bonds	851,643	260,152	24,211									
Debentures	39,568	200,152		1,136,006 39,568								
Treasury Bills and Debentures-Short-term	39,300	22,868	• •	39,508 22,8 6 8								
Treasury Bills, Public	2,400	22,000	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	22,808								
Balance of Debts of States taken over by Commonwealth and still represented by	2,400	ļ ··	••	2,400								
State Securities	••	7,496	· · ·	7,496								
Total State Debt	893,611	290,516	24,211	1,208,338								
Grand Total Commonwealth and State Debt	2,664,300	354,593	41,594	3,060,487								

⁽a) See footnote (a) page 823.

COMMONWEALTH AND STATE PUBLIC DEBT AND ANNUAL INTEREST PAYABLE AT 30th JUNE, 1951—continued.

		Maturing in—	-	
Particulars.	Australia.	London.	New York.	Total.
Debt Per	HEAD OF P	OPULATION.		
	£ s. d. (Aust.)	£ s. d. (Stg.)	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
War (1939-45) Debt	17 13 6 177 16 8 14 10 0	0 19 9 0 13 9 5 18 6	 2 I 3	18 13 3 178 10 5 22 9 9
Total Commonwealth Debt	210 0 2	7 12 0	2 I 3	219 13 5
Total State Debt	. 106 10 2	34 12 6	2 17 9	144 0 5
Grand Total Commonwealth and Sta Debt	te 315 19 11	42 I 2	4 18 8	362 19 9
Annual	Interest Pa	YABLE.		
	£Aust.	£ Stg.	£	£
War (1939-45) Debt	4,791,774 38,053,127 3,600,197	231,000	 762,240	5,043,385 38,284,127 6,016,772
Total Commonwealth Debt	46,445,098	2,136,946	762,240	49,344,284
Total State Debt	27,171,696	9,032,134	896,253	37,100,083
Grand Total Commonwealth and Sta Debt	te 73,616,794	11,169,080	1,658,493	86,444,367
Annual Interest Pa	YABLE PER H	EAD OF POI	ULATION.	
Commonwealth Debt—	£ s. d. (Aust.)	(Stg.)	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
War (1939-45) Debt	0 II 4 4 IO 3 0 8 7	007	0 1 10	0 11 11 4 10 10 0 14 4
Total Commonwealth Debt	5 10 2	0 5 I	0 1 10	5 17 1
Total State Debt	3 4 9	1 1 6	0 2 2	4 8 5
Grand Total Commonwealth and Sta Debt	te 8 14 8	ı 6 6	0 3 11	10 5 I
Average RA	ATE OF INTER	EST PAYABL	E.	
	£ s. d. (Aust.)	£ s. d. (Stg.)	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Commonwealth Debt— War (1914-18) Debt (a)	3 4 7	1		3 4 5
War (1939-45) Debt	2 10 9	400	4 7 8	3 3 6
Total Commonwealth Debt	2 12 6	3 6 8	4 7 8	2 13 4
Total State Debt	3 0 10	3 2 2	3 14 0	3 I
Grand Total Commonwealth and Sta Debt	1	3 2 0	2 70 0	
Dent	2 15 4	3 3 0	3 19 9	2 16

⁽a) Excludes War (1914-18) Debt due to United Kingdom Government (£79,724,220). Repayment of this debt and interest thereon (£3,919,774) were suspended in 1931.

2. Public Debt and Annual Interest Payable, 1939 and 1947 to 1951.—In the following table details are given of the Public Debt and Annual Interest Payable at 30th June, 1939 and 1947 to 1951:—

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

	A					
s.	1939.	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.
	<u> </u>	DEBT.	'	·		
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t—	1			1		
£ Stg.'000.	175,194	158,742	154,040	153,900	8,333	8,333
4-18) Debt £'000.	186,214	169,387	164,691	164,545	165,063	157,360
t	:		:	1	·	
£ A. 000. £ Stg. 000.	: ::	1,531,532 5,775	1,508,195 5,775	1,485,877 5,775	1,491,476 5,775	1,499,401 5,775
39-45) Debt £'000.		1,537,307	1,513,970	1,491,652	1,497,251	1,505,176
urnoses	<u> </u>	·	!			
£ A. 000.	43,302	65,098	77,906	92,433	101,204	122,261
£ Stg. 000.						49,969
£ 000.	15,914	13,790	15,055	15,790	15,/31	17,383
Works, etc. £'000.	131,313	134,181	146,752	160,972	168,313	189,613
th Debt-			1			
£ A. 000.	218,496		1,740,147	1,732,210	1,749,410	1,770,689
		15.708				64,077 17,383
2000.	13,9-4	-5,795	1	13,790	23,731	17,303
wealth Debt £'000.	317,527	1,840,875	1,825,413	1,817,169	1,830,627	1,852,149
	i					
£ A. 000.	485,179	568,141	611,763	666,873	750,108	893,611
£ 5tg. 000.	364,326 1 28,265	24,802	24,849	24,663	24,440	290,516
ebt £'000.	897,772	926,249	964,802	1,008,884	1,078,809	1,208,338
	1,215,299	2,767,124	2,790,215	2,826,053	2,909,436	3,060,487
	Annua	L INTERE	ST PAYAB	LE.		
]	1	1	1	,
		į	1		Į.	
.£ A. 000.	6,950	5,978	5,657	5,657	5,750	4,792
£ Stg. ooo.	426	396	396	338	251	251
4-18) Debt			ļ			
£'000.	7,376			5,995	6,001	5,043
%				£3 128, 11d.		£3 45. 5d.
t	<u> </u>		ļ	<u> </u>	ļ	
£ A.'000.		39,474	39,942	39,667	39,773	38,053
£ Stg. 000.		231	231	231	231	231
	L	l	!	l	l	
9-45) Debt £'000.		39.705	40,173	39,898	40,004	38,284
	14-18) Debt £'000. t. £ A.'000. £ Stg.'000. 39-45) Debt £'000. 'urposes	tt— . £ A.'000. £ Stg.'000. 14-18) Debt £ coo. 186,214 tt— . £ A.'000. £ Stg.'000. 201900. 214-18) Debt £ coo. 131,313 th Debt— . £ A.'000. £ Stg.'000. 131,313 th Debt— . £ A.'000. £ Stg.'000. 131,313 th Debt— . £ A.'000. £ Stg.'000. 317,527 . £ A.'000. 897,772 nmonwealth Debt £'000. 485,179 £ Stg.'000. 897,772 nmonwealth E'000. 497,772 nmonwealth E'000. 426	DEBT. t.— . £ A.'000. £ Stg.'000. 175,194 158,742 106,45 14-18) Debt £'000. 186,214 169,387 t.— . £ A.'000. £ Stg.'000. 1,531,532 5,775 39-45) Debt £'000. 218,302 £ Stg.'000. 218,496 1,755,372 £ Stg.'000. 131,313 134,181 th Debt— . £ A.'000. £ Stg.'000. 15,914 15,798 Works, ctc. £'000. 131,313 134,181 th Debt— . £ A.'000. £ Stg.'000. \$3,117 69,705 £ Stg.'000. 218,496 1,755,372 £ Stg.'000. \$3,117 69,705 £ Stg.'000. \$3,117 69,705 £ Stg.'000. \$3,117 568,141 £ Stg.'000. \$28,265 24,802 ebt £'000. 897,772 926,249 nmonwealth ebt £'000. 897,772 926,249 nmonwealth ebt £'000. 485,179 \$28,265 24,802 ebt £'000. 487,772 \$926,249 nmonwealth ebt £'000. 487,772 \$926,249 nmonwealth ebt £'000. 1,215,299 2,767,124 ANNUAL INTERE	DEBT. t.— £ A.'000 £ Stg.'000 175,194 £ Stg.'000 186,214 169,387 164,691 £ A.'000 1,531,532 1,508,195 £ Stg.'000 1,537,307 1,513,970 £ Stg.'000 1,537,307 £ Stg.'000 1,537,307 £ Stg.'000 1,537,307 £ Stg.'000 1,537,307 £ Stg.'000 15,914 15,798 £ Stg.'000 131,313 134,181 146,752 £ A.'000 131,313 134,181 146,752 £ Ooo 15,914 15,798 £ Ooo 15,914 15,798 £ Ooo 15,914 15,798 £ Ooo 15,914 15,798 15,855 1,825,413 £ A.'000 28,265 24,802 24,849 £ Stg.'000 28,265 24,802 24,849 £ Ooo 28,7772 26,249	DEBT. Column	DEBT. It

⁽a) See footnote (a) page 823.

COMMONWEALTH AND STATE PUBLIC DEBT AND ANNUAL INTEREST PAYABLE AT 30th JUNE—continued.

Particulars.	1939.	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.
A	NUAL INTE	REST PAY	ABLE—cont	inued.	·	·
Commonwealth Debt—continue Works and Other Purposes—						
Australia £ A. oc	0. 1,394			2,726	3,003	3,600
London £Stg.'oo New York £'oo	o. 2,978 c. 778	732		1,741	1,695 693	762
New IDIK 200	. //	/ / / /	1	*35	",	,,,,
Total Debt for Works, et						
£'oc				5,162	5,391	6,017
Average Rate	% £3 10s. 5u	. ±3 58. 70	£3 4s. 10d	£3 48. 2d.	£3 48. 1d.	£3 38. 6d.
Total Commonwealth De	bt	-	-			
Australia £ A.'oo		47,345	47,892	48,050	48,526	46,445
London (a) £ Stg.'oc				2,310	2,177	2,137
New York £'oo	0. 778	732	697	695	693	762
Total Commonwealth De	bt.			l		
£'oo	0. 12,526				51,396	49,344
Average Rate	% £3 18s. 11d	£2 148, 10d	£2 158, 11d	£2 168. 4d.	£2 168, 2d.	£2 138. 4d.
State Debt-					ļ	
Australia £ A. oc	0. 17,240	18,436	19,686	21,396	23,771	27,172
London £ Stg. oc	0. 14,963			9,983	9,506	9,032
New York £'oo	0. 1,441	1,000	918	912	904	896
		- }	-		 	ļ
Total State Debt £'oc	0. 33,644	30,729	31,341	32,291	34,181	37,100
	% £3 148. 110					
	İ	1		ĺ		1
Grand Total Commonwea	Ith	-	-	ļ		
and State Debt £'oo		81,200	82,325	83,346	85,577	86,444
			£2 198. od	£2 109, 1d.	£2 188.10d.	£2 168, 6d
•		1	1	-,	1	1

⁽a) See footnote (a) page 823.

STATE PUBLIC DEBT AT 30th JUNE, 1951: PLACE OF FLOTATION OF LOANS.

		Maturing in	1	Maturing Overse	as.			
State.		Australia.	London.	New York.	Total Overseas.	Grand Total.		
Debt.								
		£A.'000.	£ Stg.'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.		
New South Wales		328,354	122,943	10,944	133,887	462,241		
Victoria		201,151	45,296	4,486	49,782	250,933		
Queensiand		117,047	44,324	4,786	49,110	166,157		
South Australia		111,847	34,797	1,744	36,541	148,388		
Western Australia	••	85,053	36,112	2,021	38,133	123,186		
Tasmania		50,159	7,044	230	7,274	57,433		
Total	••	893,611	290,516	24,211	314,727	1,208,338		

^{3.} State Public Debt and Annual Interest Payable at 30th June, 1951.—In paragraphs 1 and 2 totals only of the States' Public Debt are given. In the following table the total debt of each State and the amounts outstanding per head of population at 30th June, 1951 are shown according to the place of flotation:—

STATE PUBLIC DEBT AT 30th JUNE, 1951: PLACE OF FLOTATION OF LOANS—continued.

			Ma	S.		
State.		Maturing in Australia.	London.	New York.	Total Overseas.	Grand Total.
		DEBT PER	HEAD OF P	OPULATION.		
	•••	£ s. d. (Aust.)	£ s. d. (Stg.)	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
New South Wales		98 19 8	37 I 3	360	40 7 3	139 6 11
Victoria		88 12 10	19 19 3	1 19 6	21 18 9	110 11 7
Queensland		96 12 8	36 11 11	3 19 o	40 10 11	137 3 7
South Australia		155 6 8	48 6 6	2 8 6	50 15 0	206 I 8
Western Australia		146 5 5	62 2 1	3 9 6	65 11 7	211 17 0
Tasmania	••	172 9 3	24 4 5	0 15 10	25 O 3	197 9 6
Total		106 10 2	34 12 6	2 17 9	37 10 3	144 0 5

The following table shows, as at 30th June, 1951, the amount of interest payable, together with the average rate of interest payable, with separate information for London, New York and Australian maturities.

STATE PUBLIC DEBT AT 30th JUNE, 1951: ANNUAL INTEREST PAYABLE—LOCATION.

Chaha					Grand Total.	
State.		Australia.	London.	New York.	Total.	Grand Total.
		Annua	l Interest I	PAYABLE.		
		£A.'000.	£ Stg.'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
New South Wales Victoria Queensland South Australia Western Australia Tasmania		9,806 6,211 3,640 3,394 2,581 1,540	3,746 1,437 1,472 1,062 1,094	368 181 175 71 93 8	4,114 1,618 1,647 1,133 1,187 229	13,920 7,829 5,287 4,527 3,768 1,769
Total		27,172	9,032	896	9,928	37,100

STATE PUBLIC DEBT AT 30th JUNE, 1951: ANNUAL INTEREST PAYABLE—LOCATION—continued.

			Overseas.													
State.		Australia.		Lor	idor	1.	New	Yo	rk.	т	otal		Gran	d T	otal.	
		Aver	AGE	RA	TE O	r L	NTEI	REST	Рач	ABL	Е.					
		£ (A	s. ust	d. .)		s. tg.)		£	8.	d.	£	8.	d.	£	s.	d.
New South Wales		,	19	9	3	I	0	3	7	3	3	I	6	3	0	3
Victoria Queensland		3	1 2	9	3	3 6	5 5	4	13	0 I	3	5 7	0	3	3	5 8
South Australia		3	ō	8	3	I	0	4	I	2	3	2	ō	3	1	o
Western Australia		3	О	8	3	0	7	4	ΙI	7	3	2	,	3	1	2
Tasmania	• •	3	1	5	3	2	9	3	7	6	3	2	10	3	1	7
		i														
Total	• •	3	0	10	3	2	2	3	14	0	3	3	I	3	I	5

4. State Public Debt, 1939 and 1947 to 1951.—In the following table the debt of each State and the amounts outstanding per head of population at 30th June, 1939 and 1947 to 1951 are shown.

STATE PHBLIC DERT.

				SIAII	E PUBLIC	DEDI.			
	30th Jun	ie—	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
					DEBT.				
					(£'000.)				
1939			359,844	179,698	127,503	108,887	95,473	26,367	897,772
1947 1948	• • •	::	362,028 384,078	183,096 188,946	135,356	114,134	99,002 100,275	32,633 33,957	926,249
1949	• • •	::	396,493	202,883	144,125	124,720	102,916	37,747	1,008,884
1950			425,289	217,413	150,662	133,174	109,550	42,721	1,078,809
1951	• •		462,241	250,933	166,157	148,388	123,186	57,433	,1,208,338
			I	EBT PER	HEAD OF	Populati	ON.		
					(£ s. d.)			
1939			130 18 7	95 13 3		182 10 6	203 2 4	111 1 2	129 3 11
1947 1948	• •		121 5 9 126 19 1	89 2 2	122 6 9	176 13 2 180 12 5	197 0 6	126 18 9	122 13 1
1949			127 6 10			185 6 0	193 4 2	140 2 6	128 1
1950			131 17 3		127 5 5	190 3 7	196 7 1	152 18 3	132 7
1951		!	139 6 11	110 11 7	137 3 7	206 I 8	211 17 0	197 9 6	144 0

In some States certain public utilities such as Tramways, Water Supply and Sewerage, Harbour Services, etc., are controlled by Boards or Trusts, which, in addition to receiving advances from the Central Government, raise loans by public borrowing on their own behalf, while in other States these services are controlled by the Central Governments. Comparison of the debts of the States is therefore difficult, but on page 833 figures showing the aggregate debts of the States, including these local and semi-governmental authorities, are shown for the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1949-50.

5. Public Debt and Interest Payable in Australian Currency.—In the foregoing tables relating to Commonwealth and State Public Debt the debt outstanding in London is expressed in sterling, and debt outstanding in New York is expressed in pounds converted

from dollars at the rate of \$4.8665 to £1. This method of showing the debt gives no indication of the amount that the Australian Government would have to find to repay the debt. In the following tables the public debt and the interest payable are shown in terms of Australian currency throughout. Debt in London and in New York has been converted to Australian currency at the selling rate of exchange on 30th June, 1951.

COMMONWEALTH AND STATE PUBLIC DEBT AND INTEREST PAYABLE AT 30th JUNE, 1951: AUSTRALIAN CURRENCY.

(£A.'000.)

Particulars.		Australia.	London.(a)	New York.	Total.
		DEBT.			
Commonwealth Debt—				ì	}
		149,027	10,458		159,485
War (1939-45) Debt		1,499,401	7,248		1,506,640
Works and Other Purposes	• •	122,261	62,711	37,976	222,948
Total Commonwealth Debt		1,770,689	80,417	37,976	1,889,082
State Debt—					
New South Wales		328,354	154,294	23,909	506,557
Victoria		201,151	56,846	9,801	267,798
Queensland		117,047	55,626	10,457	183,130
South Australia		111,847	43,670	3,811	159,328
*** . 4 . 1:		85,053	45,321	4,415	134,789
m ·	٠.	50,159	8,840	503	59,502
Total State Debt	••	893,611	364,597	52,896	1,311,104
Commonwealth and State Debt					
Short-term Debt		399,490	30,230		429,720
Other Debt	• •	2,264,810	414,784	90,872	2,770,466
Grand Total Commonwealth ar	nd				
State Debt	••	2,664,300	445,014	90,872	3,200,186
Annual	In	TEREST PAY	ABLE.		
Commonwealth Debt—					
War (1914-18) Debt		4,792	316		5,108
War (1939-45) Debt		38,053	290		38,343
Works and Other Purposes	• •	3,600	2,076	1,665	7,341
Total Commonwealth Debt		46,445	2,682	1,665	50,792
State Debt-					
NT CI 11 137 1		9,806	4,702	805	15,313
871.4		6,211	1,803	397	8,411
0		3,640	1,847	382	5,869
O 11. A . 4 11		3,394	1,333	155	4,882
TTT4 - A -4 - 1*		2,581	1,373	202	4,156
m ·		1,540	277	17	1,834
Total State Debt		27,172	11,335	1,958	40,465
Grand Total Commonwealth ar	ad				
State Debt		73,617	14,017	3,623	91,257

⁽a) Converted at rate of £ stg. 100 = £A. 125 108.

⁽b) Converted at rate of \$2.2275 - £A. 1.

6. Public Debt at each Rate of Interest.—(i) Commonwealth. The accompanying table shows particulars of the amounts of debt for Commonwealth purposes at 30th June, 1951, at each rate of interest:—

COMMONWEALTH PUBLIC DEBT AT 30th JUNE, 1951: AMOUNTS AT EACH RATE OF INTEREST.

•	Rate of	luterest.		Australia. London.(a)		New York.	Total.
Per cent	·.			£A.'000.	£Stg.'000.	£'000.	£'000.
5.0						9,803	9,803
4.25 4.0			•••	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	 5,775	(b) 1,862	1,862 5,775
3.875 3.75 3.5 3.375 3.25 3.2391 3.125 3.0				37,497 (c) 7,543 154 884,739 (d) 32,100 304,967 14,162	6,951 5,974 34,362 9,795	1,159 3,398 1,161	37,497 14,494 7,133 3,552 920,263 32,100 304,967 23,957
2.8347 2.25 2.0			• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	(e) 16,015 (g) 74,966	(f) 470 (f) 750		16,015 470 75,716
0.75				(ħ) 397,090			397,090
War (19	14–18) (39–45) (Savings Sta Savings Sta gs Stamps		(i) 1,287 14 136 19			1,287 14 136 19
Т	otal			1,770,689	64,077	17,383	1,852,149

⁽a) Excludes War (1914-18) Debt due to United Kingdom Government. £79,724,000 (rate of interest 4.91657 per cent.) (b) International Bank Dollar Loan. (c) Includes Advance Loan Subscriptions, £1,004,000. (d) War Savings and Savings Certificates—7 years series. (e) Savings Certificates—5 years series. (f) Short-term Treasury Bills and Debentures. (e) Includes Advance Loan Subscriptions, £23,000. (h) Internal Treasury Bills, £288,810,000 and Public Treasury Bills, £288,810,000 and Public Treasury Bills, £28,000. (i) Includes War (1914-18) Gratuity Bonds, £12,000 and War (1914-18) Savings Certificates, £4,000.

(ii) States. The following table shows, for the States combined, particulars of the debt at each rate of interest and according to the domicile of the debt.

STATE PUBLIC DEBT AT 30th JUNE, 1951: AMOUNTS AT EACH RATE OF INTEREST.

				Maturing in-	1	
Rate	of Interest.		Australia.	London.	New York.	Total.
Per Cent	 t.		£A.'000.	£ Stg.'000.	£'000.	£'000.
5.0			'	r	4,793	4,794
4.0			589	11,546	••	12,135
3.875			57,233		!	57,233
3 · 75			33,075	••	• •	33,075
3.625			107 '		••	107
3.5			893	72,727	7,482	81,102
3.4875			1,546		• •	1,546
3 · 375			· · ·		5,438	5,438
3.25			160,901	57,967	6,498 :	225,366
3.125			497,318	• •	• •	497,318
3.1			4,066			4,066
3.0			37,819	91,015	!	128,834
2.75		٠.	• • •	15,949	••	15,949
2.7125			418	• • -		418
2.5			2	18,441	• •	18,443
2.325			1,730		••	1,730
2.25				(a) 21,377	••	21,377
2.0		• •	53,098	(a) 1,491	••	54,589
1.5			2,846		1	2,846
1.0			39,568		• •	39 ,5 68
0.75	,.		(a) 2,400		;	2,400
Overdue			2	2	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	4
To	tal Debt		893,611	290,516	24,211	1,208,338

(a) Short-term debt.

The variations in the rates of interest payable on the public debts of the States from 1901 to 1951 appear in the following table which shows the percentages of the total debts in various interest groups during the years specified, and the average rate of interest in each year:—

STATE PUBLIC DEBT: PERCENTAGES, ETC., IN VARIOUS INTEREST GROUPS.

Interest Dates	Percentage of Total Debt at 30th June-									
Interest Rates.	1901.	1911.	1921.	1931.	1939.	1941.	1950.	1951.		
Not exceeding 3 per cent. Exceeding 3 per cent. but	18.0	17.9	10.2	5.3	19.1	18.5	23.6	23.7		
not exceeding 4 per cent. Exceeding 4 per cent. but	78.5	81.9	45-4	17:2	62.4	63.6	76.0	75.9		
not exceeding 5 per cent. Exceeding 5 per cent. Exceeding 5 per cent. but	3.1	0.1	15.6	36.8	16.0	15.5	0.4	0.4		
not exceeding 6 per cent.	0.4	0.1	23.5	38.4	2.3	2.2	!	1		
Exceeding 6 per cent	••		5.3	2.3	0.2	0.2				
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0		
verage Rate of Interest Payable	3.7	3.6	4.4	4.9	3.7	3.7	3.2	3.1		

7. Dates of Maturity.—(i) Commonwealth. In the following table the Commonwealth Public Debt at 30th June, 1951 is classified according to the latest, and the earliest, years of maturity.

COMMONWEALTH PUBLIC DEBT AT 30th JUNE, 1951(a): CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO LATEST, AND EARLIEST, YEARS OF MATURITY.

				Latest	Year.			Earlies	t Year.	
Year (of Matu	urity.	Ma	aturing in	—		м	aturing i	n—	
			Aus- tralia.	London.	New York.	Total.	Aus- tralia.	London.	New York.	Total.
			£A.'000.	£ Stg.	£'000.	£'000.	£A.'000.	£ Stg.	£'000.	£'000.
Before 30th	June,	1951			l		757,431			757,431
1951-52(b)	• • • •	•	433,629	1,220		434,849	433,629	1,220		434,849
1952-53			30,365		ł	30,365	70,937	6,951	9,803	
1953-54			(c)11,491			11,491	(c)13,209	• • •		13,209
1954-55	• •	• •	40,572		· · ·	40,572		• •	••	••
1955-56			8,513		9,803	18,316	134,103	16,234		150,337
1956-57			44,133	6,951	1,161	52,245	86,207		1,161	87,368
1957-58			44,702			44,702	12,570			12,570
1958-59			243,743	• • •		243,743			• • •	• •
1959-60	• •	• •	249,530	• • •		249,530			•••	••
1960-61			239,658	16,234		255,892	85,490	5,775		91,265
1961-62			161,749		3,398	165,147	80,268	5,974	3,398	89,640
1962-63			45,712		• •	45,712	(d)47,010			47,010
1963-64		• •	85,490	5,775	• • •	91,265		• •		• •
1964-65	• •	• • •	80,268	••	٠.	80,268		297	•••	297
1965-66			(d) 1,299			1,299	!	17,831]	17,831
1966–67				5,974		7,133			1,159	1,159
969-70	• •			17,831		17,831				• •
974-75	• •			297		297		• •	٠.	••
975-76	• •	• •		• •	•		1 1	9,795		9,795
977-78	• •	• • •		9,795		9,795		••	٠٠.	••
War (1939 and Sa ficates—	-45) S vings	Savings Certi-								
Seven y	years se	eries	32,100			32,100	32,100		l i	32,100
Five ye War (1939			16,015	• • •	••	16,015	16,015		• • •	16,015
Stamps	_: <u>:</u> _ c		136		• • •	136	136	• •	••	136
National Sa War (1914			19	• •	٠٠ ا	19	19	• •	•••	19
Stamps			14			14	14			14
Peace Savin	gs Cert	ificates	110		,.	110	110			110
Overdue			1,287		٠.	1,287	1,287			1,287
Half-yearly	• •	• •	154	••	(e) 1,862	2,016		••	(e) 1,862	2,016
Total	١		1,770,689	64,077	17,383	1,852,149	1,770,689	64,077	17,383	1,852,149

⁽a) See notes to table on page 829. (b) Includes Short-term Debt. (c) Includes Advance Loan Subscriptions, £1,004,000. (e) International Bank Dollar Loan.

⁽ii) States. Particulars of State Public Debt at 30th June, 1951 have been classified in the following table according to the latest, and the earliest, years of maturity.

STATE PUBLIC DEBT AT 30th JUNE, 1951: CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO LATEST, AND EARLIEST, YEARS OF MATURITY.

			Latest	Year.			Earlies	t Year.	
Year of Matur	ity.	M	Caturing in	-		М	aturing in		
		Aus- tralia.	London.	New York.	Total.	Aus- tralia.	London.	New York.	Total.
• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •		£A.'000.	£ stg.	£'000.	£'000.	£A.'000.	£ stg.	£'000.	£'000.
Before 30th June,	1951	! !	000.			146,779	27,681		174,460
1951-52(a)		38,235	22,868		61,103	38,235			61,103
1952-53		19,907	11,790		31,697			4,793	65,559
1953-54		26,245	10,796		37,041	47,934			69,018
1954-55		42,305	3,205		45,510	1,446			21,587
1955-56		22,693		4,793	27,486	14,089	16,066		30,155
1956–57	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	19,463	::	6,498		65,926		6,498	72,424
1957-58		38,524	20,141	0,490	58,665	39,603	- ::	0,490	39,603
1953–59*		39,908	21,084	::	60,992	1,668	14,055	- :: !	15,723
1959-60		79,416			79,416			:: i	2,732
1960–61		66,917	18,575		85,492	111,840		!	111.840
1961–62		31,239		5,438	36,677	184,587		5,438	213,987
1962-63		60,476		3,430	60,476	106,403		3,430	119,274
1963-64		111,165			111,165	3,604	10,000	- :: 1	13,604
1964-65	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	184,755	12,870	::	197,625	1,564	13,077		14,641
1965–66		47,012	10,000		57,012	1,084	55,270		56,354
1966–67		2,450		7,482	33,894	2,450	33,270	7,482	9,932
1967–68		2,202	14,900	7,402	17,102	2,202	15,949	,,402	18,151
1968–69		2,455	14,900	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	2,455	2,455	-31949	- ::	2,455
1969–70		3,242	42,261		45,503	3,242	18,441	- ::	21,683
1970-71		2,369	11,546		13,915	2,369			2,360
1971-72		2,177	15,949		18,126	2,177	12,300		14,477
1972-73		2,711			2,711	2,711			2,711
1973-74		3,336			15,636	3,336			3,336
974-75		3,737			35,255	3,737			3,737
197576		7,338		!	7,338	7,338	4,351		11,680
1976-77		1,759	I		1,759	1,759	4,33-	- ::	1,750
1977-78		1,839	4,351		6,190	1,839	- :: !	:: I	1,830
1978-79		1,921	4,331	- ::	1,921	1,021	- :: :	- ::	1,921
1979-80		2,008			2,008	2,008	- :: [2,008
		1				!	ļ		
1980–81		2,098	1		2,098	2,098			2,098
1981-82		2,193			2,193	2,193			2,193
1982-83		1,661			1,661	1,661			1,661
Overdue		2	2		4	2	2		
Interminable			1		Í		1		i
Freasurer's option			2,397		2,397		2,397		2,39
Half-yearly drawii	ıgė	9,481			9,481	9,481			9,481
Indefinite	• •	10,372]		10,372	10,372]	••	10,37
Total		893.611	290,516	24.211	1,208,338	893,611	290,516	24.211	1,208,338

⁽a) Includes short-term debt, Australia, £2,400,000 ; London, £22,868,000.

Under the Financial Agreement Act 1944, Treasury Bills issued to meet State revenue deficits accruing between 1st July, 1928 and 30th June, 1935 were retired on 31st December, 1944. In place of those not redeemed, one per cent. debentures amounting to £43,018,000 were issued. One of these debentures will mature in each year up to 1983. Particulars of these debentures are included under their respective years of maturity in the tables above.

^{8.} Short-term Debt.—(i) Amount. Particulars of the short-term debt (Treasury Bills and Debentures) of the Commonwealth and States in London and in Australia at 30th June, 1939 and at intervals from 30th June, 1947 to 30th June, 1951 are shown in the following table. This debt is included in the public debt as shown elsewhere.

COMMONWEALTH AND STATE SHORT-TERM DEBT.(a)

	Maturing i	n Australia.	(£ A.'000.)	Maturing in London. (£ Stg.'000.)			
Pate.	Common- wealth.	States.	Total.	Common- wealth.	States.	Total.	
30th June, 1939		50,228	50,228	4,220	23,155	27,375	
" " 1947 ···	278,280	• •	278,280	2,220	22,868	25,088	
,, ,, 1948	208,280		208,280	1,970	22,868	24,838	
,, ,, 1949	123,280		123,280	1,720	22,868	24,588	
,, ,, 1950	108,280		108,280	1,470	22,868	24,338	
30th September, 1950	133,280		133,280	1,470	22,868	24,338	
31st December, 1950	153,280	2,000	155,280	1,220	22,868	24,088	
31st March, 1951	198,280	2,400	200,680	1,220	22,868	24,088	
30th June, 1951	108,280	2,400	110,680	1,220	22,868	24,088	

(a) Excludes Overdrafts and Internal Treasury Bills.

(ii) Interest Rates. (a) London. The rates of interest payable on Treasury Bills and Debentures in London during the following periods were: 1938-39 to 1940-41—minimum rate, 2 per cent., maximum rate, 2\frac{1}{4} per cent.; 1941-42 to 1943-44—minimum rate, 2 per cent., maximum rate, 3 per cent.; 1950-51 to 1949-50—minimum rate, 2 per cent.. maximum rate, 2\frac{1}{4} per cent.

(b) Australia. The Treasury Bill rates in Australia were as follows:—1\(\frac{3}{2}\) per cent. from 1st January, 1935; 1\(\frac{1}{2}\) per cent. from 1st May, 1940; 1\(\frac{1}{2}\) per cent. from 1st May, 1943; 1 per cent. from 1st May, 1945; \(\frac{3}{2}\) per cent. from 1st May, 1949.

9. State and Municipal and Semi-Governmental Authority Public Debt.—For the reasons indicated on page 827 direct comparisons of the debts of the several States should be made with caution. The table following shows, for 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1949-50 particulars of the debts of the States and the debts due to the Public Creditor by municipal, and semi-governmental authorities in each State.

STATE AND MUNICIPAL AND SEMI-GOVERNMENTAL AUTHORITY PUBLIC DEBT.

	State.			State.	Municipal.	Semi-Gov- ernmental.	Total.							
			DEB	r, 1949-50.										
	(£'000.)													
New South Wales				425,289	34,477	95,574	555,340							
Victoria				217,413	12,563	86,962	316,938							
Queensland				150,662	31,101	11,201	192,964							
South Australia				133,174	587	11,413	145,174							
Western Australia	٠			109,550	2,187	414	112,151							
Tasmania				42,721	3,531	1,057	47,309							
		1949-50		1,078,809	84,446	206,621	1,369,876							
		1948-49		1,008,884	74,201	176,561	1,259,646							
	Total	1947-48		964,802	67,071	161,390	1,193,263							
		1946-47		926,249	61,771	151,767	1,139,787							
		1938-39		897,772	78,126	120,512	1,096,410							
	Dı	EBT PER I	TEAD	OF POPULAT	TION, 1949-5	ю.								
				(£.)										
New South Wales				131.9	10.7	29.6	172.2							
Victoria				98.7	5.7	39.5	143.9							
Queensland				127.3	26.3	9.5	163.1							
South Australia				190.2	0.8	16.3	207.3							
Western Australia				196.5	3.9	0.8	201.2							
Tasmanja				152.9	12.6	3.8	169.3							
		1949-50		132.4	10.4	25.3	168.1							
		1948-49		128.1	9.4	22.4	159.9							
	Total <	1947-48		125.6	8.7	21.0	155.3							
		1946-47		122.7	8.2	20.I	151.0							
		1938-39		129.2	II.2	17.4	157.8							

(a) Due to public creditor and excludes amounts due to Central Government. Includes Bank overdrafts.

§ 4. Commonwealth Loan Raisings.

1. New Loans Raised, 1946-47 to 1950-51.—Under the Financial Agreement between the Commonwealth and the States, the Commonwealth is responsible for raising all loan moneys required by both the Commonwealth and the State Governments. Details of loan transactions given in this and the next two paragraphs relate, therefore, to all loans raised for the Commonwealth and the States. The following table shows details of new loans raised in Australia by the Commonwealth during the five years 1946-47 to 1950-51. No new loans were raised in London during this period, and the only new loan raised in New York was that from the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, amounting to \$100,000,000, raised in May, 1951 and repayable half-yearly from 1st September, 1955 to 1st September, 1975. The rate of interest is 4½ per cent. Of this loan \$9,059,385 had been drawn at 30th June, 1951.

COMMONWEALTH NEW LOANS(a) RAISED IN AUSTRALIA.

_			! !		<u> </u>	 	Allocat	ion of Pı	oceeds.
	. :		i L	! ! !	! }	!	Commo	nwealth.	
Month of Raising.	Amount Invited.	Number of Sub- scribers.	Amount Sub- scribed.	Rate of In- terest.	Year of Maturity	Price of Issue.	War (1939– 45) and Repat- ria- tion Ser- vices.	Other Pur- poses.	States.
1946-47-	£'000.		£'000.	!		£	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
October (Second Security Loan)	64,020	194,592 (b)	4,823 64,944 5,575	2 31 3	1949 1955–58 1956	100	61,267	 5,575	8,500
April (Third Security Loan)	25,000		{ 1,457 28,365	2 31	1950 1956-59	100	7,457	5,440	16,925
1947-48— October (Fourth Security Loan)	48,030 35,000		61,223 43,294	31 31 31 31 31 31 31 31 31 31 31 31 31 3	1956–59 1957–60	100	21,611 6,621	13,012 7,645	26,600 29,028
1948-49— September (Sixth Security Loan) March (Seventh Security Loan)	15,000	84,472 54,860	15,052 { 11,982 { 49,842	3 l 2	1962 1952	100	52 8,899	 28,780	15,000
1949–50— September (Eighth Security Loan)	25,912	63,504	{ 49,842 { 8,035 37,132	31 2 31	1960-63 1953 1960-63	}100			45,167
March (Ninth Security Loan)	40,875	46,066	8,433 52,245	2 31	1953 1961–64	}100	11,887	17,215	31,576
August (Tenth Security Loan)	12,911	46,304	{ 6,531 41,775	2 31	1953 1961–64	}100	1,306		47,000
November (Eleventh Security Loan)	21,253	32,160	{ 1,976 28,024	2 31	1953 1961–64	} 100			30,000
May (Twelfth Security Loan)	40,000	46,189	3,275 45,999	2 31	1954 1962–65	100 99	} 336	• •	48,938

⁽a) Includes loans raised for redemption of Treasury Bills, but excludes conversion loans, loans for redemption of debt maturing in London, short-term debt and certain miscellaneous debt (see below). (b) Special Issue (taken up by Commonwealth Bank of Australia).

In addition to the new loans raised shown in the foregoing table, and the redemption and conversion loans shown in the following table, there were other miscellaneous debt operations during 1950-51, viz.:—National Savings Stamps, decrease of £1,000; Savings Certificates and War Savings Certificates (Five and Seven Years' Series), decrease of £6,910,000; War Savings and Savings Stamps, decrease of £4,000; "Over the Counter Sales" (small amounts borrowed by the States by virtue of certain statutory rights), £2,482,000. Advance loan subscriptions in hand decreased from £26,776,000 at the end of 1949-50 to £1,026,000 at the end of 1950-51.

2. Conversion and Redemption Loans, 1946-47 to 1950-51.—(i) Australia. Particulars of conversion loans raised in Australia during the five years 1946-47 to 1950-51 are given in the following table:—

COMMONWEALTH CONVERSION AND REDEMPTION LOANS RAISED IN AUSTRALIA.

			Old I	oan.	<u>t</u>	New Loan.					
Month of	Raisi	ng.	Amount.	Rate of Interest.		Rate of Interest.	Price of Issue.	Year of Maturity.	in Annua Liability for Interest.		
			£A.'000.	%	£A.'000.	%	£	<u> </u>	£A.'000.		
1946-47 August			13,548	2]	{ 4,593 8,955	2 31	100	1949	} -44		
October	• •	••	17,679	21	{ 5,260 12,419	31	100	1949	} -67		
1947–48— August			6,422 21,680	3 1 4	28,111	31	100	1956-59	238		
October December	::	::	19,015		19,015	3 t	100	1956-59 1956-59	-119 -38		
1948–49— September			55,231 14,168 7,581 8,058	21 3 31 31 31	85,038	31	100	1962	-293		
March			{ 17,291 59,470	2 }	{ 33,577 43,184	31	100 100	1952 1960-63	} -188		
1949–50— September			\[\begin{cases} 15,262 \\ 50,268 \\ 12,104 \\ 11,455 \end{cases}	' 2 }	29,609 59,480	2 31	100	1953 1960-63	} -51		
March			4,125	2	{ 2,235 1,890	2 31	100	1953 1961-64	} -21		
1950–51— August			{ 9,285 27,817	3 [†] }	{ 9,715 27,387	2 31	100	1953 1961–64	} 400		
November			116,831	4	14,698	31	100	1953 1961-64	} 1,187		

NOTE.—Minus sign (-) indicates an increase in the annual liability for interest.

(ii) London. The following table shows particulars of loans raised in Australia and London during the five years 1946-47 to 1950-51 for the purpose of redeeming and converting London loans.

COMMONWEALTH LOANS RAISED FOR THE CONVERSION AND REDEMPTION OF LOANS MATURING IN LONDON.

			20111							
		Old I	юап.		N	ew Loans.			Reduction	
Month of Ra	ising.		Rate	Amount r	aised in—	Rate	Price	Year	in Annual Liability for Interest and	
		Amount.	of Interest.	Ans- tralia.	London.	of Interest.	of Issue.	of Maturity.	Exchange.	
		£Stg.	%	£A.'000.	£Stg.	%	£		£A.'000.	
July January		16,075 4,254	3	2,667	16,075	2 ³ / ₂	100	1967-71 1950	· } 50 23	
January	••	{ 1,418 17,098	31/2	2,667	18,516	3 ll 2 ll	100	1956-59	339	
1947–48— January		15,870	52	3,761	12,870	3 3	98 1	1963-65 1960	} 443	
1948-49 August		13,988	4	{ 5,000	10,000	3 3 3	100	1964-66 1957-60	} 169	
January		{ 5,170 14,775		6,200	15,000	3 31	100	1965-67 1962	} 131	
January	••	{ 1,959 16,027	3 4 }	6,269	12,986	3 3	100	1972-74	} 212	
March		19,500	34	∫ 5,642	15,000	3 31	100	1975-77	} 176	
1949-50- October		5,583	31	7,000		31	100	1960-63	26	
1950-51 July		9,400	31/2	11,785	· ••	31	100	1,964	44	

⁽a) No account has been taken of cost of issuing the conversion loans at a discount. Exchange calculated at £A.125.375 = £ stg. 100.

COMMONWEALTH LOANS RAISED IN NEW YORK FOR REDEMPTION OF EXISTING LOANS.

	Old Loan.			New Loan.				Reduction in Annual Liability for Interest and Exchange.(a)	
Month of Raising.	Amount.	Rate of Interest.	Amount.	Rate of Interest.	Price of Issue.	Year of Matur- ity.	United States of America Currency.	Aus- tralian Currency (b)	
	\$'000.	%	\$'000.	%	£		\$'000.	£A.'000.	
1946-47 Angust	18,329	: 1 5	20,000	31	100	1956	266	83	
December	{ 7,513 7,851	5 5	25,000	3 1	981	1966	472	147	
February	44,626	41/2	45,000	38	99	1962	489	153	
June	35,640	5	{ 19,000 19,000	38 31 31	971 971	1957 1967	} 500	156	

⁽a) No account has been taken of the cost of issuing the new loans at a discount at selling rate of exchange on 30th June, 1947—\$3.2002 = £A1.

⁽iii) New York. During 1946-47 the Queensland 6 per cent. loan in New York became due for redemption and the option of redeeming other loans bearing interest at 5 per cent. and 4½ per cent. occurred. In order to take advantage of lower rates of interest, the Commonwealth gave notice that it intended to redeem the latter loans and four loans totalling \$128,000,000 were raised to provide the money for redemption. Particulars of these loans are given in the following table. These operations were the first conversion operations undertaken in New York.

3. International Bank for Reconstruction and Development Loan.—To provide dollar funds for the purchase of certain types of capital equipment and plant which were indispensable to the furtherance of development in Australia and which could only be obtained in the United States of America and Canada, the Commonwealth Government, in August, 1950, arranged a loan of \$100,000,000 from the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development. The loan is for a term of 25 years with interest at 4½ per cent. per annum on the amount of the loan withdrawn and outstanding from time to time. In addition there is a commitment charge of ½ per cent. per annum on the amount of the loan not withdrawn from time to time. Repayment of the loan is to be made in half-yearly instalments commencing on 1st September, 1955. The last instalment is payable on 1st September, 1975. Up to 30th June, 1951, \$9,059,385 had been drawn on the loan.

The capital equipment and plant to be purchased from the proceeds of the loan will be made available to Commonwealth and State Government departments and agencies and private firms and individuals for use in the development of Australian resources. Subject to a special import licence being obtained, the goods will be imported and distributed through normal channels and payment made through the Australian banking system. Periodically, schedules of dollar payments for goods imported against loan licences are to be submitted to the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development. These schedules will form the basis for periodical drawings by the Commonwealth against the loan. The amounts drawn will be paid to the Commonwealth Bank to replace the dollar funds used in making the purchases. In return, the Commonwealth Government will receive Australian currency from the Commonwealth Bank. This will be paid to the Commonwealth National Debt Sinking Fund, out of which the loan will subsequently be redeemed.

4. Summary of Loan Transactions, 1941-42 to 1950-51.—The following table contains a summary of loan transactions on behalf of the Commonwealth and State Governments during the last ten years.

		New	Loans.			ncrease in m Debt ir		Loans Raised for Conv Redemption of Existi Maturing in—			
Year ended 30th	Public I. Raised		Miscell	rease of					London.		
June.	Twatsec	,,,,,		ot in— b)	Aust	ralia.	Lon-	Aus- tralia.			New York.
	Aus- tralia.	New York.	Aus- tralia.	Lon- don.	Public.	ln- ternal.	don.		Aus- tralia.	Lon- don.	
	£A.'000.	\$ 'o oo.	£A. 000.	£stg.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£stg.	.£A.	£A.	£stg.	\$'ooo.
1942	122,880		14,478		78,391	2,296	1,474	65,985		30,011	••
1943	184,692	• •	31,304	254	172,886			21,783		16,451	• • •
1944	276,949	• •	- 6,952		77,905			12,252	5,631	• •	· · ·
1945	264,245	• •	14,218		— 32,745	32,104	- 250	40,666	12,650		
1946	172,817	••	2,390	- 347	- 330	¦ ••	250	21,157	43,017	74,055	••
1947	105,164		8,086		65,000			31,227	5,334	34,591	
1948	104,518		1,719	• • •	- 70,000			53,126	3,761	12,870	
1949	76,876		9,202		– 85,000			161,799		52,986	• • •
1950	105,845		4,788	• • •	- 15,000			93,213	7,000	• •	• • •
1951	127,580	(c) 9,059	— 30,18 3	•••	2,400	87,000	- 250	153,933	11,785	• •	• • •

COMMONWEALTH LOAN TRANSACTIONS: SUMMARY.

⁽a) Includes loans raised for redemption of Treasury Bills. No new loans were raised in London during this period. (b) "Over the Counter Sales" and net increase in debt on account of Citizens' National Emergency Loans, War Savings and Savings Certificates and Stamps, National Savings Bonds and Stamps, and Advance Loan Subscriptions. Debt in London includes Citizens' National Emergency Loans and debt to United Kingdom Government. (c) Amount drawn of \$100,000,000,000 loan from International Bank for Reconstruction and Development.

§ 5. National Debt Sinking Fund.

1. Commonwealth Public Debt.—Particulars relating to the creation of sinking funds are included in issues of the Official Year Book prior to No. 23.

The old sinking funds were merged in the National Debt Sinking Fund on 11th August, 1923. Particulars of receipts and expenditure of the Commonwealth Account for the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51 were as follows:—

NATIONAL DEBT SINKING FUND: COMMONWEALTH ACCOUNT. (£'000.)

Items.	1938–39.	1946–47.	1947–48.	1948–49.	1949–50.	1950–51.
Receipts— From Consolidated Revenue Loans and Advances Repaid	3,918 17	14,443	15,456 454	16,083 766	16,146 580	17,225
War Service Homes Money Repaid Half Net Profit Common-	629	1,043	1,115	1,357	-	
wealth Bank Reparation Moneys	321	938	965	1,082	1,116	1,140
Interest on Investments Loan (International Bank for	32	56	31	42	104	70
Reconstruction and Development) Act Other Contributions	14	12	12	12	12	4,044 12
Total Receipts	4,931	16,852	18,033	19,342	20,614	30,019
Expenditure— Securities Repurchased and Redeemed in— Australia London New York	4,230 608 214	13,864	23,281 370 91	3,917 313 79	26,916 610 118	28,762 1,688 449
Total Expenditure	5,052	14,177	23,742	4,309	27,644	30,899
Balance at 30th June	1,131	8,583	2,874	17,907	10,877	9,997
Face Value of Securities Repurchased and Redeemed in— Australia London New York	4,199 498 167	13,848 250	23,201 294 66	3,900 250 57	26,872 496 68	28,828 1,409 210
Total Face Value	4,864	14,098	23,561	4,207	27,436	30,447

2. State Public Debt.—(i) States, 1950-51. Prior to the passing of the Financial Agreement Act 1928, the practice by the States of providing sinking funds had been consistently followed in Western Australia only. This Act contains provisions for the establishment of a sinking fund on States' debts (see p. 821). Particulars of the transactions of the National Debt Sinking Fund (States' Account) for each State during the year 1950-51 are shown on the following page.

NATIONAL DEBT SINKING FUND: STATE ACCOUNT, 1950-51. (£'000.)

Items.	n.s.w.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W.Aust.	Tas.	Total
Receipts—							
Contributions under Financial				}	! }		i I
Agreement—				ام. ا	1 . 1		
Commonwealth	877	452	· 294	276	245	97	2,241
States	3,582	2,026	1,375	1,174	916	345	9,418
Interest from States on can-	ا ما				[]		
celled Securities	8	7	3	3] 3.	I	25
Special Contributions by States	106	32	• • •	2	I	6	147
Interest on Investments, etc	4	I	I	I	I:	<u> </u>	8:
Total Receipts	4,577	2,518	1,673	1,456	1,166	449	11,839.
Expenditure—							
Securities Repurchased and Re-	1			ŀ			
deemed in—				}			
Australia	3,789	2,345	1,112	998	264	369	8,877
London	3,091	294	477	433	953	59	5,307
New York	261	62	98	24	12	5	462
Total Expenditure	7,141	2,701	1,687	1,455	1,229	433	14,646
Balance at 30th June, 1951	68	73	51	56	8	29	285
Face Value of Securities Repur-							
chased and Redeemed in-	ĺ				1 1		
Australia	3,780	2,340	1,110	997	264	368	8,859
London	2,482	244	398	363	809	49	4,345
New York	129	зi	49	12	6	2	229
. Total Face Value	6.301	2,615	1,557	1,372	1,079	419	13,433

(ii) All States, 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51. The following table is a summary of the transactions of the National Debt Sinking Fund (State Account) for the years 1938-39 and 1946-47 to 1950-51:—

NATIONAL DEBT SINKING FUND: STATE ACCOUNT. (£'000.)

Items.	1938-39.	1946–47.	1947-48.	1948-49.	1949-50.	1950-51.
Receipts—				ļ 		
Contributions under Financial	İ		·		İ	1
Agreement—			•			
Commonwealth	1,478	1,636	1,732	1,851	2,006	2,241
States	4,327	7,198	7,653	8,109	8,747	9,418
Interest from States on						
cancelled securities	15	27	16	29	27	25
Commonwealth Contributions						1
under Federal Aids Roads and Works Act			68		1	
	69	69	68	20		• • • •
Statos	61					
Interest on Investments, etc.	56	105 63	137	174	142	147
			19			
Total Receipts	6,006	9,098	9,625	10,194	10,928	11,839
Expenditure—					i	
Securities Repurchased and				ĺ		i
Redeemed in—						
Australia	4,008	8,916	8,950	8,337	6,509	8,877
London New York	1,722	40	2,902	2,393	1,449	5,307
	347	874	444	256	393	462
Total Expenditure	6,077	9,830	12,296	10,986	8,351	14,646
Balance at 30th June	1,885	3,978	1,307	515	3,092	285
Face Value of Securities Re-						
purchased and Redeemed in-						
Australia	3,996	8,905	8,930	8,292	6,480	8,859
London	1,561	33	2,309	1,909	1,182	4,345
New York	285	649	314	185	223	229
Total Face Value	• 5,842	9,587	11,553	10,386	7,885	13,433

Particulars of the Financial Agreement between the Commonwealth and the States and of the provisions regarding Sinking Fund contributions are shown on pages 816 and 817 of this issue and in the *Finance Bulletins* issued by this Bureau.

E. TAXES ON INCOME.

Note.—The following section was written prior to the introduction of the 1952-53 Commonwealth Budget, when certain changes in income taxes were made. For a description of the taxes inclusive of these changes see Appendix to this volume.

- 1. General.—A description of the development of income taxes in Australia appeared in Official Year Book, No. 35, p. 926. Since July, 1943, the Commonwealth, under the uniform tax arrangement, has been the only authority imposing taxes on income.
- 2. Present Taxes.—Commencing with 1950-51 the two taxes on incomes of individuals (Income Tax and Social Services Contribution) were combined into a single tax known as Income Tax and Social Services Contribution. The several taxes on companies were continued in 1950-51, but in 1951-52 the super tax and tax on the undistributed income of public companies were discontinued. However in the latter year provision was made for an additional tax on the income of certain public companies and an advance payment of tax for 1952-53.
- 3. Assessable Income.—Income taxes in Australia are levied, primarily, on all income derived from Australian sources by any person, rather than on income derived from all sources by Australian residents. Thus a non-resident is taxed on income derived in Australia, while a resident is, in general, not taxed on income other than dividends derived from overseas (provided the income is taxed in the country in which it is derived).

Certain types of Australian income are exempt from tax in Australia, the most important being income from gold-mining and a small amount of tax-free interest on Commonwealth Government securities. No amount is included in assessable income on account of a house occupied by its owner. Profits derived from the sale of property are not assessable income if such property was not purchased with a view to resale at a profit. Commencing with the income year 1951-52, income received from a scholarship, bursary or other educational allowance is exempt. Pay and allowances earned by a member of the Defence Forces while serving in Korea after 26th June, 1950 and Malaya after 28th June, 1950 is also exempt.

Assessable income is divided into two main groups—personal exertion and property. Personal exertion income includes all wage, salary, business and professional incomes, while property income includes all rents, dividends and interest. A further tax on property income is imposed on individuals in all cases where the total taxable income exceeds £400 and the amount of property income exceeds £100. No distinction is made for companies.

Expenses incurred in carning income, certain subscriptions to business associations and trade union dues, are allowable deductions. Losses incurred in previous years may be carried forward as a deduction.

Because of uncongenial climatic conditions, isolation and high cost of living, taxpayers living in certain areas are allowed an additional deduction. Two zones have been prescribed, and the allowances are Zone A, £120 and Zone B, £20.

Income Tax and Social Services Contribution is levied on the taxable income remaining after making these deductions and the concessional deductions to which reference is made in paragraph 5 following.

4. Taxes on Individuals.—Income Tax and Social Services Contribution is payable by all persons without dependants whose taxable income exceeds £104 per annum. Persons with dependants are exempt from Income Tax and Social Services Contribution if their annual income does not exceed the minimum as set out in paragraph 9 following. Commencing with the 1951-52 income year, an aged person (i.e. a man who has attained the age of 65 years or a woman who has attained the age of 60 years) is exempt from Income Tax and Social Services Contribution if the net income (i.e. gross income less expenses of earning that income) does not exceed £234 or, if he or she contributes to the maintenance of a spouse, £468.

5. Concessional Deductions.—By a revision made in the assessment of income taxes on individuals for the income year 1950-51, concessional allowances for dependants, medical expenses, life assurance and superannuation contributions, etc., made by way of rebates of Income Tax or by way of concessional rates for Social Services Contribution were replaced by concessions by way of deductions from income. The maximum deduction allowed for each dependant, parent or a housekeeper employed by the taxpayer is shown in the following table:—

CONCESSIONAL DEDUCTIONS FOR DEPENDANTS, ETC.

(£.)

	Dej	oendant, et	c. (Resider	nt).			Income Years 1950-1951-52.		
Spouse							104		
Daughter-housek	eeper(a)						104		
Housekeeper(a) l	naving ca	are of tax	cpayer's	children	under 16	years	· ·		
of age			• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •			٠.,	104		
Parent							104		
First child under	16 years	of age					78		
Other children ui	nder 16 y	ears of a	ge				52		
Invalid child, ste	p-child, l	orother o	r sister o	ver 16 ye	ars of age	э	78		
Child 16 to 21 ve	ars receiv	ring full-1	time edu	cation			78		

⁽a) Of a widower or widow. These deductions are allowed only if the dependant or parent is a resident of Australia. If the dependant is not wholly maintained by the taxpayer or is maintained for part only of the year a partial deduction is allowed.

Medical expenses paid by a taxpayer who is a resident, in respect of himself, a dependant, or other child under 21 years of age, up to £100 for each person, are allowed as a concessional deduction. Medical expenses include payments made to a legally qualified medical practitioner, nurse or chemist, or a hospital, in respect of an illness or operation, payments for dental services not exceeding £20 for any one person, payment for therapeutic treatment and eye tests, expenditure on medical or surgical appliances, artificial limbs or eyes, hearing aids and spectacles, and the remuneration of an attendant of a person who is blind or confined to bed or invalid chair.

Payments of life, etc., insurance premiums and contributions to superannuation and similar funds and friendly societies, not exceeding an aggregate of £200, and funeral expenses of a dependant not exceeding £30 are allowed as concessional deductions if the taxpayer is a resident.

In addition to concessional deductions, all taxpayers (residents and non-residents) are allowed a deduction from income of rates and taxes on land which are annually assessed, of gifts to charitable, benevolent or patriotic funds and one-third of amounts paid as calls to certain mining, forestry and oil-prospecting companies.

6. Lodgment of Returns and Assessment of Tax.—All persons with incomes in excess of £104 are required to lodge returns by the 31st July each year (31st August for business incomes). Income Tax and Social Services Contribution payable is assessed, and assessment notices showing the amount payable are issued during the year following the year of income (in most cases from September to June following the lodgment of the return). The approximate amount payable, however, has already been collected during the income year—from employees by deductions from wages and from non-employees by a provisional tax. The amount shown on the assessment notice is therefore adjusted against the amount already collected and any difference either collected or refunded.

7. Deductions from Wages and Salaries.—Employers are required to deduct tax and contribution from each payment of wages and salary to an employee at the appropriate rate in accordance with a deduction scale. This scale shows the amount to be deducted according to the number of dependants the employee has, and makes an average allowance for other concessional deductions.

Under the group scheme of deduction, which covers most employers of over ten persons, the amount deducted is remitted to the Taxation Department, and after 30th June each year each employee is given a group certificate by his employer showing the amount of deductions made during the year. The employee then uses the group certificate for that year to meet, in full or in part, the assessment on that year's income when it is received.

Under the stamp scheme, used by small employers, a stamp deduction sheet in two parts is used. Each four weeks the employer purchases stamps (also in two parts) for the amount of the deductions made each pay day and sticks one part on each half of the sheet. At the end of the year the employer gives the employee one half of the sheet and sends the other half to the Taxation Department. The employee's half is then used in the same way as a group certificate.

8. Provisional Tax.—For non-employees collection of tax and contribution for the current year is made at the same time as collection and assessment for the previous year is adjusted. The notice of assessment shows an amount of provisional tax and contribution for the current year. This provisional amount is an approximation to the tax and contribution which will be payable after the return of income for the current year has been lodged. It is ascertained by assuming that the income of the current year will be the same as that for the previous year (for which a return has already been lodged) but the rates for the current year are applied to the income and not the rates for the year in which it was derived. The assessment notice shows the provisional tax and contribution paid in the previous year as a credit against the tax and contribution assessed on the basis of the return for that year.

Employees with more than £50 income from sources other than wages and salaries are also required to pay provisional tax in respect of that income.

9. Effective Exemptions from Tax.—For income years 1950-51 and 1951-52 resident taxpayers without dependants were exempt from Income Tax and Social Services Contribution if their income did not exceed £104. The effect of the deductions for dependants was to exempt taxpayers up to the incomes shown below in the years 1950-51 and 1951-52. For comparison, the effect of concessions for dependants for the years 1948-49 and 1949-50 are also shown.

RESIDENT TAXPAYERS: EFFECTIVE EXEMPTIONS FROM TAX.
(£.)

Income Social Services Tax and Social Services Contribution-Taxpayer with-1948-49 and Contribution-1950-51 and 1951-52 Income. Income. No dependants 104 104 Wife 208 200 and one child ... 283 . . 286 . . two children 338 317 ,, ,, three children 350 390 . . ,, ,, four children 400 442

10. Rates of Income Tax and Social Services Contribution on Individuals.—The following table shows the income tax and social services contribution on 1950-51 incomes.

INCOME TAX AND SOCIAL SERVICES CONTRIBUTION—INDIVIDUALS, 1950-51 INCOME: BASIC TAX AND CONTRIBUTION.

Total Taxa	ble Income.	Column 3.				Colu	mn 4.		
Column 1. Not less than—	Column 2. Not more than—	Tax and contribution on amount set out in Column 1.	Tax and Contribution on Remainder of Taxable Income.						
£	£	£ s. d.	!-			-		£	
Nil	100	Nil	plus	s 1d. i	in each	£ı			
100	150	084	٠,,	6d. i	in each	£r in	excess of	100	
150	200	I 13 4	,,	11d.	"	,,	,,	150	
200	250	3 19 2	,,	16d.	,,	,,	-7.9	200	
250	300	7 5 10	,,	21d.	,,	,,	,,	250	
300	400	11 13 4	,,	26d.	,,	,,	,,	300	
400	500	22 10 0	,,		,,	,,	,,	400	
500	600	35 16 8	,,	38d.	,,	,,	,,	500	
600	700	51 13 4	,,	44d.	,,	,,	,,	600	
700	800	70 O O	,,	48d.	,,	,,	,,	700	
800	900	90 O O	,,	52d.	,,	,,	"	800	
900	1,000	111 13 4	,,	56d.	. ,,	,,	,,	900	
1,000	1,200	· 135 0 0	,,	64d.	,,	,,	,,	1,000	
1,200	1,400	188 6 8	,,	72d.	,,	,,	.99	1,200	
1,400	1,600	248 6 8	,,		,,	,,	,,	1,400	
1,600	1,800	315 0 0	,,	88d.	,,	,,	,,	1,600	
1,800	2,000	388 6 8	,,	96d.	,,	,,	,,	1,800	
2,000	2,400	468 6 8	,,	, 104d.	,,	,,	,,	2,000	
2,400	2,800	641 1 3 4 828 6 8	,,	112d.	,,	,,	,,	2,400	
2,800	3,200		,,		,,	,,	,,	2,800	
3,200	3,600	1,028 6 8	,,	, 128d.	,,	,,	,,	3,200	
3,600	4,000	1,241 13 4 1,468 6 8	,,	. 136d.	,,	,,	,,	3,600	
4,000	4,400		,,	, 144d.	,,	,,	,,	4,000	
4,400	5,000	1,708 6 8	,,		,,	,,	,,	4,400	
5,000	6,000	2,088 6 8	,,		,,	,,	,,	5,000	
6,000	8,000	2,755 0 0	,,		,,	,,	,,	6,000	
8,000	10,000	4,155 0 0	,,		,,	,,	**	8,000	
10,000	upwards	5,621 13 4	,,	, 18od.	,,	,,	,,	10,000	

If the taxable income exceeds £400 and includes income from property, the amount of the income from property is subject to the further tax shown in the following table.

FURTHER TAX ON PROPERTY INCOME.

		0111111						11(40111			
	Taxable Income from Property.		Column 3.				Column 4.				
Column 1. Not less than—	Column 2. Not more than—	Contril Taxabl	Further Tax and Contribution on Taxable Income shown in Column 1.		n ie	Further Tax and Contribution on Remainder of Taxable Income from Property.					
£	£	£	8.	d.						£	
 Nil 	100		Nil						Nil		
100	1,000		Nil		plus	8d. c	n each	£1 in ex	cess o	f 100	
1,000	4,000	30	О	0	٠,,	16d.	,,	,,	,,	1,000	
4,000	6,000	230	0	0	,,	8d.	,,	,,	,,	4,000	
6,000	10,000	296	13	4	,,	4d.	,,	,,	,,	6,000	
10,000	upwards	363	6	8	(No	rate o	n excess	over £	10,000)	

If the total taxable income does not exceed £1,000, the further tax on property income cannot exceed twelve pence for every £1 by which the total taxable income exceeds £400. The application of this provision is illustrated by the following example based on an income of £600 derived wholly from property:—

Further tax on £600 property income—

By applying scale rate £500 at 8d. in the £1 ... 16 13 4
By applying limiting provision £200 at 1s. in the £1 10 0 0

These rates were not changed for 1951-52 income year, but an additional tax and contribution of 10 per cent. of the tax payable prior to allowance of any rebate or credit was imposed.

Prior to the 1951-52 income year the rate of Income Tax and Social Services Contribution for farmers and pastoralists was determined by the average taxable income of the five years up to the current year and this rate was applied to the taxable income of the current year. From the income year 1951-52 the application of the averaging provisions was limited to that part of the taxable income which did not exceed £4,000 and provision was made for a taxpayer to elect not to have the averaging provisions applied to his assessment for any income year and subsequent years. Such an election once made is irrevocable.

Interest on Commonwealth Loans issued prior to 1st January, 1940 is subject to the condition that it shall not be taxed at rates higher than those for 1930-31. Interest on Commonwealth Loans issued after 1st January, 1940 and interest on certain State semi-governmental loans issued free of State income tax receive a rebate of 2s. in the £1.

The minimum amount of Income Tax and Social Services Contribution payable is 10s, and the amounts payable and rebates are calculated to the nearest shilling.

11. Taxes on Sample Individual Incomes.—The following table shows the Income Tax and Social Services Contribution payable by taxpayers with various incomes and numbers of dependants on income derived in 1949-50, 1950-51 and in 1951-52:—

COMMONWEALTH TAXES ON INCOME.

					(£.)			
				1949	9–50 Income Y	Zear.	1950-51 Income Year.	1951-52 Income Year.
	Inco	me.		Income Tax.	Social Services Contribution.	Total.	Income Tax and Social Services Contribution.	Income Tax and Social Services Contribution
	INCOME	FROM	PERSONAI	EXERTIO	ON.—TAXPA	YER WITH I	O DEPEND	ANTS.
150]		3.05	3.05	1.65	1.80
200					5.60	5.60	3.95	4.35
250					9.00	9.00	7.30	8.05
300					13.10	13.10	11.65	12.80
350			[18.05	18.05	17.10	18.80
400					23.75	23.75	22.50	24.75
500					37.50	37.50	35.85	39.45
600				8.50	45.00	53.50	51.65	56.80
800	• •			31.50	60.00	91.50	90.00	99.00
1,000				62.50	75.00	137.50	135.00	148.50
1,500			••	170.85	112.50	283.35	281.65	309.80
2,000				320.85	150.00	470.85	468.35	515.20
3,000		• •		704.15	225.00	929.15	928.35	1,021.20
5,000				1,720.85	375.00	2,095.85	2,088.35	2,297.20
I	NCOME P	ROM I	PERSONAL	Exertion	TAXPAY	ER WITH D	EPENDENT V	VIFE.
150	•••	• • •	•• [••		1		1
200	• •				•			
250			••		1.55	1.55	1.55	1.70
300			• •		4.90	4.90	3.75	4.10
350	• •	• •	••		9.85	9.85	7.00	7.70
400			••		14.35	14.35	11.30	12.45
500		• •			25.80	25.80	22.05	24.25
600	• •		•• !	• •	40.30	40.30	35.30	38.85
800				14.35	60.00	74.35	69.25	76.15
1,000	• •	• •		41.90	75.00	116.90	110.80	121.90
1,500	• •	• •		142.50	112.50	255.00	247.15	271.85
2,000	• •	• •		285.55	150.00	435.55	426.75	469.40
3,000	• •	• •		659.15	225.00	884.15	876.35	964.00
5,000	••	· · ·		1,675.85	375.00	2,050.85	2,022.45	2,224.70

COMMONWEALTH TAXES ON INCOME-continued.

					(£.)			
				1949	9–50 Income Y	Tear.	1950–51 Income Year.	1951-52 Income Year.
		Income.		Income Tax.	Social Services Contribution.	Total.	Income Tax and Social Services Contribution.	Income Tax and Social Services Contribution.
	Incor	ME FROM PE	RSONAL		—Taxpayei ne Child.	R WITH DEP	ENDENT WI	FE AND
-				1	1	1	T .	1
150				l				
200					j			
250								
300				· · ·	0.95	0.95	0.85	0.95
350		• •			4.35	4.35	2.50	2.75
400		• •		• • •	8.10	8.10	5.15	5.65
500	• •	• •	• •	• • •	17.95	17.95	13.60	14.95
600	• •	• •	• •		30.95	30.95	24.90	27.40
800	• •	••	• •	2.90	60.00	62.90	54.95	60.45
1,000	• •	• •	• •	28.15	75.00	103.15	93.90	103.30
1,500	• •	• •	• •	123.65 262.00	112.50	236.15	223.75	246.10
2,000	• •	• •	• •	628.20	150.00	412.00	395.55	435.10
3,000	• •	• •		1,633.95	225.00	853.20 2,008.95	837.35	_
5,000	• •	• •	• • •	1,033.93	375.00	2,000.95	1,973.05	2,170.35
In	COME	FROM PER	SONAL		TAXPAYER Children.	with Dei	PENDENT W	IFE AND
	-							
150		• •	• •					
200		• •	• •	• •				
250	• •	• •	• •	• •	••	• •	• • •	
300	• •	• •	• • •	••	• • •	• •		• •
350	• •		••	• •	2.20	2.20	0.80	0.90
400	• •	• •	• • •	••	5.00	5.00	2.40	2.65
500	• •	• •	• • •	••	14.05	14.05	8.70	9.55
600	• •	• •	••	••	26.25	26.25	18.80	20.70
800		• •	• •	05.05	60.00	60.00	46.30	50.90
I,000 I,500	• •	• •	• • •	21.25	75.00	96.25 226.70	83.20 208.15	91.50
2,000	• • •	• •	• • •	114.20 250.25	112.50	400.25	375.85	228.90
3,000		••	•••	613.20		838.20	812.45	413.45 893.70
5,000		••		1,618.95	375.00	1,993.95	1,940.15	2,134.15
5,				1	3/3	-,,,,,	-,51-1-5	-,-545
		INCOME F	вом Рв	OPERTY.—T	AXPAYER W	TH No DE	EPENDANTS.	
150					3.05	3.05	1.65	1.80
200	• •	••			5.60	5.60	3.95	4.35
250					9.00	9.00	7.30	8.05
300		••			13.10	13.10	11.65	12.80
350					18.05	18.05	17.10	18.80
400				1.65	23.75	25.40	22.50	24.75
500				5.30	37.50	42.80	40.85	44.95
600				18.25	45.00	63.25	61.65	67.80
800				51.55	60.00	111.55	110.00	121.00
1,000				94.90	75.00	169.90	165.00	181.50
1,500				238.65	112.50	351.15	345.∞	379.50
2,000				428.25	150.00	578.25	565.00	621.50
3,000				886.55	225.00	1,111.55	1,091.70	1,200.85
5,000				2,003.25	375.00	2,378.25	2,351.70	2,586.85
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- 12. Company Income Taxes.—(i) General. For taxation purposes, companies are divided into two main groups—public companies and private companies. A private company is defined as a company in which all the issued shares are held by not more than twenty persons or which is under the control of not more than seven persons, and which is not a company in which the public are substantially interested or a subsidiary of a public company. Ordinary Income Tax and Social Services Contribution is imposed on both groups of companies, but other taxes on companies are imposed according as to whether a company is public or private.
- (ii) Public Companies. (a) Ordinary Income Tax and Social Services Contribution. The income of companies is assessed for Income Tax and Social Services Contribution on the same principles as for individuals. Dividends received are assessable income both for companies and individuals, but resident companies receive a rebate at the average rate on the amount of dividends included in the taxable income. This rebate is not allowed to non-resident companies. For the year 1950-51 the rate of ordinary Income Tax and Social Services Contribution was 5s. in the £1 on the first £5,000 of taxable income and 6s. in the £1 on the remainder. For mutual life assurance companies the rate was 4s. in the £1 on the first £5,000 of taxable income and 5s. in the £1 on the remainder. For the year 1951-52 the rate for companies other than life assurance companies was 7s. in the £1 on all taxable income. For mutual life assurance companies the rate was 6s. in the £1 on mutual income and for other life assurance companies the rate was 6s. in the £1 on mutual income and 7s. in the £1 on other income. The rate on Commonwealth Loan Interest subject to 1930-31 rates was 1s. 4d. in the £1.
- (b) Super Tax. In 1950-51 a Super Tax of 1s. in the £1 on the excess of the taxable income over £5,000 was imposed. All companies received a rebate of 1s. in the £1 on the amount of dividends (from companies which had already paid super tax) included in super tax income. This super tax was not levied in 1951-52.

Commonwealth Loan Interest subject only to 1930-31 rates of tax was excluded from super tax income since the full 1930-31 rate of 1s. 4d. in the £1 was already paid as ordinary Income Tax and Social Services Contribution.

- (c) Undistributed Income Tax. From 1940-41 to 1950-51 a tax was imposed at the rate of 2s. in the £1 on the undistributed income of a public company. The undistributed income was the taxable income less:—
 - (a) Income Tax and Social Service Contribution, Super Tax, and War-time
 (Company) Tax, and tax paid outside Australia on the taxable income;
 - (b) dividends paid out of the taxable income before the expiration of six months (nine months if the company is a non-resident) after the close of the year of income;
 - (c) the net loss incurred in carrying on the company's business outside.

 Australia; and
 - (d) the portion of Commonwealth Loan Interest subject to 1930-31 rates remaining in the undistributed income.

Mutual life assurance companies and non-resident companies not carrying on business in Australia were exempt from the tax.

- (d) Additional Income Tax and Social Services Contribution. For 1951-52 an additional tax of 2s. in the £1 was imposed on taxable income. This additional tax did not apply to income of non-resident companies from dividends, the income of mutual life assurance companies or the mutual income of other life assurance companies and the income of co-operative companies and companies not carried on for the profit of individual members.
- (iii) Private Companies. For 1950-51 the rates of ordinary Income Tax and Social Services Contribution payable by a private company were the same as those payable by a public company. For 1951-52 the rates were 5s. in the £1 on the first £5,000 of taxable income and 7s. in the £1 on the remainder of the taxable income. Private companies were not liable to the additional Income Tax and Social Services Contribution and were not liable for Super Tax or the normal Undistributed Income Tax. However, an additional tax on the undistributed income was imposed, this tax being based on the close relationship between a private company and a partnership.

The undistributed income was calculated in approximately the same way as it was for a public company (see above) but, instead of a flat rate of 2s. in the £1 being imposed, the additional Income Tax and Social Services Contribution which would have been payable by the shareholders, if all the income had been distributed, was calculated, and this amount was charged to the company as additional tax on undistributed income. In this way the shareholders of a private company were required to pay approximately the same tax as if they were a partnership or sole traders.

(iv) Advance Payment of Income Tax and Social Services Contribution. In 1951-52 all companies were required to make an advance payment of part of the Income Tax and Social Services Contribution that would be assessed in 1952-53. The amount of this advance payment was fixed at 10 per cent. of the Income Tax and Social Services Contribution assessed for 1951-52 (other than tax on the undistributed income of private companies).

13. Yield of Income Taxes.—(i) Collections from all Income Taxes. The following table shows the collections of taxes of all types imposed on income for the years 1938-39, and 1946-47 to 1950-51:—

INCOME TAX COLLECTIONS.

				(2000	•/					
	_				Total.					
		Year.			Common- wealth.	State.	Total.			
1938-39					11,882	29,812	41,694			
1946-47(a)					207,800	502	208,302			
1947 - 48(a)					232,944	368	233,312			
1948-49(a)					272,368	235	272,603			
1949-50(a)					279,663	258	279,921			
1950-51(a)	• •	• •	• •	••	341,970	279	342,249			
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(a) Commonwealth collections are greater than, the Budget figures by the amount of refunds of State taxes. State collections are net arrears.

(ii) Commonwealth Income Tax Assessed. The amounts of Commonwealth taxes assessed on the income of recent years are shown in the following table. The amounts are shown under the year in which most of the assessments were made, i.e., the year following the income year. Income taxes assessed on income for past years and for the years shown after the close of the normal assessing period are not included.

COMMONWEALTH INCOME TAXES ASSESSED.

		(2 000.)	,	· · · · · ·	,	
Tax.	1939-40.	1946-47.	1947-48.	1948–49.	1949-50.	1950-51.
Individuals— Income Tax Social Services Contribition	7,423	111,281 24,778	75,886 62,152	79,545 75,424	78,982 86,214	80,712 92,588
Companies— Income Tax Super Tax War-time (Company) Tax Undistributed Income Taxesa-	8,041 	40,099 3,638 3,319	48,174 4,205	55,543 4,960	62,758 5,838	74,952 7,046
Private Companies Non-Private Companies	688	12,303 1,967	15,772 2,893	8,380 3,203	6,644 4,186	2,706 4, 1 43
Total	16,152	197,385	209,082	227,055	244,622	262,147

(a) Approximate.

(iii) Commonwealth Income Tax on Residents—Grades of Income. Individual income taxes assessed on residents are distributed according to grades of actual income (income before allowing deductions of a concessional nature or statutory exemptions and including exempt income) in the following table. The year shown in each case refers to the year in which assessment was made, i.e., the year following the income year. The figures relate only to assessments made on the income of the previous year during the normal assessing period. Assessments issued after the normal assessing period are excluded.

COMMONWEALTH INCOME TAXES ON RESIDENT INDIVIDUALS IN GRADES OF ACTUAL INCOME.

	1939-	-40.	1947-48	6.(a)	1948-2	19.(a)	1949-	50.(a)	1950-	51.(a)
Grade of Actual Income.	No. of Tax- payers.	Tax.	No. of Tax- payers.	Tax.	No. of Tax- payers.	Tax.	No. of Tax- payers.	Tax.	No. of Tax- payers.	Tax.
	j	£'000.		£'000.		£'000.		£'000.	,;	£'000.
Under £151	l	ا . د د د	214,790		194,947	583		403	152,219	
151- 200	1		282,529		240,677	1,730	210,687	1,085		
201- 250	1	1 :	271,790	4,465	262,569		233,996			1,392
251- 300	47.732		292,173		231,094	4,450	242,237	3,182		
301- 350	55-375		386,160	11,558	271,721		221,428			
351- 400	48,835	73	322,688	12,224	333,946	8,848	273,497	5,658		
401- 500	68,168		311,376	16,230	513,979	17,448	608,272	16,434	613,437	12,176
501- 600	38,939	197	132,164	10,093	233,110	11,442	361,222	13,754	475,486	
601- 800	(b) 29,912		102,806		167,891	12,973			379,077	
801- 1,000	(c) 23,070	460	41,840	7,435,		8,225	85,254			
1,001- 1,250	10,922	372	26,715	6,805	39,697		49,846	7,924		7,511
1,251- 1,500	6,281		15,512	5,465	23,776	6,505	27,473	6,378	33,790	5,982
1,501- 2,000	7,987		16,503	8,310	26,692		31,981		38,430	10,390
2,001- 3,000	4,549		12,645	10,835!	21,946	15,066		16,855		17,176
3,001- 4,000	2,045		4,260	6,232	8,191	9,489	11,785	11,671	14,277	12,393
4,001- 5,000	984		1,888	3,976	3,765	6,322			6,981	9,134
5,001-10,000	1,298		2,150	7,471	4,753	13,554		17,958	9,494	22,991
10,001-15,000	205		317	2,111	732	4,418	984	5,829		
15,001-30,000	(d) 92		151	1,835	354		442	4,770	954	
30,001-50,000	(e) 39		21	412,	46	855	84			
50,001 and over	δ δ	141	11	396	19	658	24	1,016	39	1,773
Total	346,441	7,115	2,438,498	137,394	2,643,440	154,264	2,831,418	164,452	3,048,613	172,592

⁽a) Includes Social Services Contribution. (b) Grade £601-£750. (d) Grade £15,001-£25,000. (e) Grade £25,001-£50,000.

⁽c) Grade £751-£1,000.