Some recent information which has come to hand since the various chapters were sent to press is given in summarised form in the following pages, but for later statistics on the subjects dealt with in chapters reference should in general be made to other publications issued by this Bureau, e.g. the *Monthly Review of Business Statistics*, the *Quarterly Summary of Australian Statistics*, the *Digest of Current Economic Statistics*, and the various mimeographed statements issued on particular subjects (see Publications issued by the Commonwealth Statistician, pages 1026–38 of the Chapter Miscellaneous)

CHAPTER 3. GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Parliamentary government

Party affiliation is indicated by the use of the following abbreviations.

A.L.P.—Australian Labour Party C.P.—Australian Country Party Lib.—Liberal Party of Australia

Commonwealth Ministries

The title of the ministerial office of the Rt Hon. W. McMahon, M.P., was changed on 6 November 1970 from Minister for External Affairs to Minister for Foreign Affairs. The title of his department was similarly changed from Department of External Affairs to Department of Foreign Affairs.

Commonwealth Parliament

THE SENATE

Consequent on the death of the Hon. G. C. McKellar (C.P.) N.S.W., Mr. D. B. Scott (C.P.) was appointed to fill the casual vacancy. Senator Sir Kenneth McColl Anderson created a Knight Bachelor in the Queen's Birthday Honours List.

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Consequent on the death of Mr J. R. Fraser M.P. (A.L.P.) Australian Capital Territory, Mr K. E. Enderby (A.L.P.) was elected to fill the vacancy and similarly Mr A. A. Staley (Lib) was elected to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the Hon. Sir Wilfrid Kent Hughes, K.B.E., M.V.O., M.C., E.D. (Lib.) Chisholm (Vic.)

State Ministries, page 67

NEW SOUTH WALES, QUEENSLAND, WESTERN AUSTRALIA AND TASMANIA No change as from pages 67-9

VICTORIA

(From 11 June 1970)

Premier and Treasurer— THE HON. SIR HENRY BOLTE, K.C.M.G., M.P. (Lib.)

- Chief Secretary— THE HON. SIR ARTHUR RYLAH, K.B.E., C.M.G., E.D., M.P. (Lib.)
- Minister of Agriculture— The Hon. G. L. CHANDLER, C.M.G., M.L.C. (Lib.)
- Minister for Local Government— THE HON. R. J. HAMER, E.D., M.L.C. (Lib.)
- Attorney-General, and Minister of Immigration— THE HON. G. O. REID, M.P. (Lib.)
- Minister of Education— THE HON. L. H. S. THOMPSON, M.P. (Lib.)

Minister of Housing, Minister of Forests, and Minister for Aboriginal Affairs— THE HON. E. R. MEAGHER, M.B.E., E.D., M.P. (Lib.) Minister for Fuel and Power, and Minister of Mines-THE HON. J. C. M. BALFOUR, M.P. (Lib.) Minister of Health-THE HON. J. F. ROSSITER, M.P. (Lib.) Minister of Transport— THE HON. V. F. WILCOX, M.P. (Lib.) Minister of State Development and Minister for Tourism-THE HON. V. O. DICKIE, M.L.C. (Lib.) Minister of Lands, Minister of Soldier Settlement, and Minister for Conservation-THE HON. W. A. BORTHWICK, M.P. (Lib.) Minister for Labour and Industry, and Assistant Minister of Education-THE HON. J. A. RAFFERTY, M.P. (Lib.) Minister of Public Works-THE HON. MURRAY BYRNE, M.L.C. (Lib.) Minister of Water Supply-

SOUTH AUSTRALIA

(From 2 June 1970)

- Premier, Treasurer, Minister of Mines and Minister of Development— THE HON. DONALD ALLAN DUNSTAN, Q.C.,
- M.P. (A.L.P.) Deputy Premier, Minister of Works and Minister
- of Marine--THE HON. JAMES DESMOND CORCORAN, M.P.
- (A.L.P.) Chief Secretary and Minister of Health—
- THE HON. ALBERT JAMES SHARD, M.L.C. (A.L.P.)
- Minister of Education— The Hon. Hugh Richard Hudson, M.P. (A.L.P.)
- Attorney-General, Minister of Social Welfare and Minister of Aboriginal Affairs—
 - THE HON. LEONARD JAMES KING, Q.C., M.P. (A.L.P.)

Minister of Roads and Transport and Minister of Local Government— THE HON. GEOFFREY THOMAS VIRGO, M.P. (A.L.P.)

THE HON. I. W. SMITH, M.P. (Lib.)

- Minister of Agriculture and Minister of Forests-THE HON. THOMAS MANNIX CASEY, M.L.C. (A.L.P.)
- Minister of Labour and Industry— THE HON. GLEN RAYMOND BROOMHILL, M.P. (A.L.P.)

Minister of Lands, Minister of Repatriation and Minister of Irrigation—

THE HON. ALFRED FRANCIS KNEEBONE, M.L.C. (A.L.P.)

Leader of the Opposition-THE HON.'R. S. HALL, M.P. (Liberal and Country League)

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CHAPTER 14. PUBLIC HEALTH

Survey of chronic illnesses, injuries and impairments

In May 1968 a survey, based on the population survey sample (a one per cent sample of households), was conducted in all States except Victoria, in order to obtain estimates of the incidence of chronic illnesses, injuries and impairments in the population, the nature of these conditions and their cause. In addition, the survey obtained information on the effect of these conditions on the activities of those who suffered from them. A similar survey was not conducted in Victoria because a survey of superannuation was already being carried out at that time.

The survey covered persons in all States other than Victoria, with the exception of members of the permanent armed forces, national servicemen enlisted in the Regular Army Supplement and certain diplomatic personnel customarily excluded from census and estimated populations.

The meaning of the principal terms used is as follows.

- (i) Illness includes injuries and impairments as well as diseases and any other morbid conditions.
- (ii) Chronic illness. An illness was considered to be chronic if the respondent claimed to have suffered from it at the time of the interview and had suffered from it for more than six months.
- (iii) Limiting illness or condition. A chronic illness was classified as "limiting" if the respondent replied in the affirmative to the question "Are your activities limited in any way as a result of (the chronic condition)?"

For further details, reference should be made to the mimeographed bulletin *Chronic Illnesses*, *Injuries and Impairments*, *May* 1968 (Reference No. 17.3) Further particulars of the quarterly population survey will be found in Chapter 21, page 694.

	Estimated civilian	Persons with chronic illne		Persons with a chronic limiting illness		
State	population (a) ('000)	Number ('000)	Rate (b)	Number ('000)	Rate (b)	
		MALES				
New South Wales .	. 2,168.8	474.6	219	192.6	89	
Oueensland	. 867.3	188.0	217	80.0	92	
South Australia .	. 560.7	111.6	199	46.2	82	
Western Australia .	. 458.5	105.9	231	42.6	93	
Tasmania	. 192.0	42.0	219	19.3	100	
Total(c) .	. 4,247.3	922.1	217	380.7	90	
	F	EMALES				
New South Wales .	. 2,178.8	526.0	241	200.2	92	
Oueensland .	. 852.2	196.1	230	74.8	88	
South Australia	. 558.4	116.5	209	43.8	78	
Western Australia.	. 443.7	104.8	236	40.3	91	
Tasmania	. 189.1	44.1	233	16.7	88	
Total(c) .	. 4,222.2	987.4	234	375.7	, 89	
	P	ERSONS				
New South Wales .	. 4,347.6	1,000.6	230	392.8	90	
Queensland	. 1.719.5	384.1	223	154.7	90	
Couth Australia	. 1,119.1	228.1	204	90.0	80	
Western Australia	. 902.2	210.6	233	82.9	92	
Tasmania	. 381.1	86.1	226	36.0	94	
Total(c) .	. 8,469.5	1,909.5	225	756.4	89	

PERSONS SUFFERING FROM CHRONIC ILLNESS, MAY 1968

(a) See explanation above. (b) Number per 1,000 of estimated population in each group. (c) Excludes Victoria, the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory.

			Estimated civilian population	Persons with chronic illn		Persons will limiting ille		
Age group (years)			(b) ('000)	Number ('000)	Rate(c)	Number ('000)	Rate(c)	Per cent (d
				MALES				
0-4.			. 411.8	30.8	75	4.9	12	15.9
5-14			. 852.3	104.9	123	31.7	37	30.2
15-24			. 723.6	86.5	120	27.8	38	32.1
25-34			. 541.4	92.4	171	25.2	46	27.
35-44		·	. 550.0	126.5	230	39.8	72	31.
45-54	•	•	. 491.8	161.1	328	67.7	138	42.
55-59.	•	•	. 207.6	81.5	393	37.9	183	46.
6064	•	•	. 163.5	70.0	428	41.4	253	59.
65-74	•	•	. 201.9	106.3	526	63.1	312	59.
75 and over .	:	:	. 103.4	62.0	599	41.2	399	66.
Total.	•	•	. 4,247.3	922.1	217	380.7	90	41
				FEMALES		<u> </u>		
0-4.			. 386.4	23.2	60	4.3	11	18.
5-14			. 816.7	82.9	101	22.6	28	27.
15-24			. 711.3	90.3	127	22.1	31	24.
25-34			. 514.3	98.2	191	22.9	44	23.
35-44	•	•	. 519.0	138.8	267	41.1	79	29.
45-54	•	•	. 485.9	157.9	325	56.5	116	35.
55-59.	•	•	. 203.6	80.8	325	33.9	166	42.
60-64	•	•	. 164.9	74.2	450	32.8	199	44.
65-74	•	•	. 253.3	134.1	529	68.5	270	51.
75 and over .	•	:	. 166.8	107.2	643	70.9	425	66.
Total.	•	•	. 4,222.2	987.4	234	375.7	89	38.
				PERSONS	;			"
0-4		•	. 798.2	54.0	68	9.3	12	17.
5-14			. 1,669.0	187.8	113	54.3	33	28.
15-24			. 1,434.9	176.8	123	50.0	35	28.
25-34			. 1,055.7	190.6	181	48.0	45	25
35-44			. 1,069.0	265.3	248	80.9	76	30.
45-54			. 977.7	319.1	326	124.2	127	38.
55-59.			. 411.2	162.3	395	71.8	175	44
60-64			. 328.4	144.2	439	74.2	226	51
65-74 .			. 455.3	240.4	528	131.6	289	54
75 and over .	•		. 270.1	169.1	626	112.1	415	66
Total			8,469.5	1,909.5	225	756.4	89	39

PERSONS SUFFERING FROM CHRONIC ILLNESS, BY AGE: TOTAL, FIVE STATES(a) MAY 1968

(a) Excludes Victoria, the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory. (b) See explanation on page 1085. (c) Number per 1,000 of population in each group. (d) Percentage of persons with a chronic illness who were limited in their activities.

			Congenita	d		War injury or		Accident or violence (not resulting from war)		Other known causes		Total (including cause unknown)	
State			Number ('000)	Rate (a)	Number (*000)	Rate (a)	Number ('000)	Rate (a)	Number ('000)	Rate (a)	Number ('000)	Rate (a)	
					МА	LES							
New South Wales. Queensland . South Australia . Western Australia			14.7 6.0 *	7 7 •	25.5 11.0 5.8 8.4	12 13 10 18	24.5 11.9 7.5 7.0	11 14 13 15	127.4 51.1 29.1 24.9	59 59 52 54	192.6 80.0 46.2 42.6	89 92 82 93	
Tasmania			• 29.0	•	*	*	52.7	12	12.1 244.6	63	19.3	100	
Total(b) .	•	•	29.0	7	54.0	13		12	244.0	<u>58</u>	380.7	90	
	·			-	FEM	ALES		<u></u>					
New South Wales. Queensland . South Australia Western Australia Tasmania	•	• • •	14.5 7.0 *	7 8 * *	* * * *	* * * *	13.1 • 5.2	6 * 12 *	171.3 63.9 36.4 33.3 12.6	79 75 65 75 67	200.2 74.8 43.8 40.3 16.7	92 88 78 91 88	
Total(b) .	•		28.2	7	*	٠	27.9	7	317.5	75	375.7	89	
					PERS	SONS							
New South Wales. Queensland South Australia . Western Australia Tasmania .	- - - -		29.2 13.0 7.2 4.1	7 8 6 5	26.2 11.2 6.0 8.5	6 6 5 9	37.6 15.6 11.3 12.2	9 9 10 14 *	298.7 115.1 65.4 58.1 24.7	69 67 58 64 65	392.8 154.7 90.0 82.9 36.0	90 90 80 92 94	
Total(b) .			57.1	7	55.3	7	80.5	10	562.0	66	756.4	89	

PERSONS SUFFERING FROM CHRONIC LIMITING ILLNESS, BY CAUSE OF MOST LIMITING CONDITION, MAY 1968

*Estimates less than 4,000 are not published because they would be subject to sampling variability too high for most practical purposes. Although figures for these small components can be derived by subtraction, they should not be regarded as reliable. (a) Number per 1,000 of population in each group. (b) Excludes Victoria, the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory.

CHRONIC ILLNESSES REPORTED(a): TYPES, NUMBERS AND RATES, TOTAL, FIVE STATES(b), MAY 1968

International		Numbe	r ('000)		Rate(c)			
code number	Type of illness	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	
000–136	Infective and parasitic diseases	14.8	6.8	21.6	3	2	3	
010-019	Tuberculosis Late effects of acute poliomyelitis	6.3	*	8.3	1	+	1	
044	Late effects of acute poliomyelitis .	4.4		7.4	1	*	1	
140-239	Neoplasms	11.1	12.6	23.7	3	3	3	
140-209 210-239	Malignant and lymphatic neoplasms . Benign neoplasms and neoplasms of un-	8.8	9.7	18.4	2	2	2	
	specified nature			5.3	*		1	
240-279	Endocrine, nutritional and metabolic diseases	36.1	38.1	74.2	8	9	9	
240-246	Diseases of thyroid gland	*	11.2	12.4	÷	3	1	
250	Diabetes mellitus	18.3	22.6	40.9	4	5	5	
274	Gout	14.9		16.7	4	÷	2	
280-289	Diseases of the blood and blood-forming	• • • •		1011			_	
200 209	organs	6.8	34.2	41.0	2	8	5	
290-315	Mental disorders	70.4	80.1	150.5	17	19	18	
290-299	Psychoses	7.9	9.8	17.6	2	2	ž	
300	Neuroses	27.4	43.8	71.1	5	10	Ĩ	
303	Alcoholism	6.3	+3.6	7.2	ĭ		ĭ	
305	Physical disorders of presumably psycho-	0.5		1.4	•		-	
505		6.5	5.1	11.6	2	1	1	
310-315	Mental retardation	12.5	12.9	25.4	2	1	i	
320-389, 791	Diseases of the nervous system and sense	12.5	14.9	23.4	3	5	5	
520-509, 791	organs, and headache	113.3	117.7	231.0	27	28	27	
342		113.3	11/./	231.0	27	20		
	Paralysis agitans	0 1	10 1		, ,	2		
345	Epilepsy	8.3	10.1	18.4	2	2	2	

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International		Numbe	r (*000)		Rate(c)		
code number	Type of illness	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
346, 791	Migraine and headache	9.6	18.2	27.8	2	4	3
350-358	Diseases of the nerves and peripheral	4.0	4.2	8.2	1	1	1
360-379	ganglia Diseases and conditions of the eye .	29.0	32.4	61.4	7	8	ź
373	Strabismus		*	4.5		•	1
374	Cataract	:	6.7	10.3	*	2	1
375 379	Glaucoma	8.6	4.6 10.1	7.1 18.7	2	1 2	1
380-389	Diseases of the ear and mastoid process .	52.7	42.5	95.2	12	10	11
388, 389	Deaf mutism and other deafness .	46.5	37.2	83.8	11	9	10
380387 390458	Other ear and mastoid diseases	6.2 209.6	5.2 320.2	11.4 529.8	1 49	1 76	1 63
390-398	Active rheumatic fever and chronic	207.0		525.0			05
	theimstic beatt disease	5.5	6.5 127.0	12.0	1	2	1
400-404	Hypertensive disease Ischaemic heart disease Other forms of heart disease Cerebrovascular disease	52.2 33.7	127.0	179.3 57.0	12 8	30 6	21 7
410-414 420-429	Other forms of heart disease	54.7	23.3 62.8	117.5	13	15	14
430-438	Cerebrovascular disease	14.5 7.9	15.6	30.1	3	4	4
440-448	Diseases of arteries, arterioles, etc.	7.9	7.1	15.0	2	2	2
440	Arteriosclerosis	6.4 41.0	5.6	12.0	2 10	1 18	1 14
450458 454	Diseases of veins, lymphatics, etc Varicose veins of lower extremities .	17.8	78.0 56.3	119.0 74.1	4	13	13
455	Haemorrhoids .	17.0	12.3	29.3	4	3	3
460-519	Diseases of the respiratory system	287.5	263.8	551.3	68	62	65
466, 490, 491	Bronchitis	91.8 89.4	70.9 77.3	162.7	22 21	17 18	19 20
493 463, 500	Asthma Acute tonsillitis and hypertrophy of tonsils	07.4	11.5	166.7	21	10	20
	and adenoids	*	4.2	6.8	*	1	1
503	Chronic sinusitis	17.3	15.3	32.7	4	4	4
507 530–577	Hay fever	66.9 131.6	87.5 71.3	154.4 202.9	16 31	21 17	18 24
530-537	Diseases of oesophagus, stomach and	151.0	/1.5	202.9	51	• • •	24
	duodenum	89.2	36.6	125.8	21	9	15
531	Ulcer of stomach	34.5	14.8	49.3	. 8	4	6 7
532 533	Ulcer of duodenum	43.4 7.6	14.8 4.6	58.2 12.1	10	4	í
550-553	Peptic ulcer, site unspecified Hernia of abdominal cavity .	32.5	17.4	49.9	2 8	4	6
570-577	Diseases of liver, gallbladder and pancreas Diseases of the genito-urinary system	5.5	9.8	15.3	15	2	2
580-629	Diseases of the genito-urinary system .	23.2	50.4	73.6	5	12	9
580-599 580-584	Diseases of the urinary system Nephritis and nephrosis	21.1	47.5	68.6 7.1	2 *	11	8 1
590	Infections of kidney .	*	13.6	15.3	*	3	2
592	Calculus of kidney and ureter	5.4	4.0	9.5	1 2	1	1
591, 593	Calculus of kidney and ureter Other diseases of kidney and ureter	9.6	21.0	30.7	2	5	4 9
680-709 690-692	Diseases of the skin and subcutaneous tissue Eczema and dermatitis	33.5 28.3	41.8 36.5	75.3 64.8	87	10 9	8
710-738	Diseases of the musculoskeletal system and	20.5	50.5	01.0	•		
	connective tissue	182.3	240.0	422.3	43	57	50
710-715	Arthritis	81.1	150.3	231.4	19	36	27
712	Rheumatoid arthritis and allied con- ditions .	5.6	13.7	19.3	1	3	2
713	Osteo-arthritis and allied conditions	13.8	17.3	31.3	3	4	2 4
716-718 716, 717	Rheumatism, except rheumatic fever	31.6	47.7	79.2	7	11	9
716, 717	Non-articular rheumatism Rheumatism, unspecified	4.7 26.9	4.2 43.5	8.8 70.4	1	1 10	1
720-729	Osteomyelitis and other diseases of bone	20.9	43.5	70.4	v	10	U
	and joint	62.8	35.3	98.0	15	8	12
725	Displacement of intervertebral disc .	35.9	21.2	57.1	8	5	12 7 2 1
727 735–738	Ankylosis of joint	10.9 4.6	4.0 4.2	14.9 8.8	3	1	2
740-759	Congenital anomalies	15.5	13.9	29.4	4	3	3
746	Congenital anomalies of heart	*	*	6.1	*	*	1
754, 755	Congenital anomalies of limbs	4.8	4.1	8.8	1	1	1
780–789 780, 781	Symptoms referable to systems of organs . Nervous system and special senses .	16.7	11.6	28.3 5.8	4	3	3 1
782	Cardiovascular and lymphatic system		*	6.7	*	*	î
787	Limbs and joints	6.2	+	9.4	1	+	1
790	Nervousness and debility . Senility without mention of psychosis	10.9	25.8	36.8	3	6	4
794 N800-N999	Accidents, poisonings and violence (nature	•	5.0	6.4	-	1	1
	of injury)	61.4	25.4	86.8	14	6	10
N800-N809	Fracture of skull, spine and trunk	5.3	*	7.6	1	*	1
N820-N829	Fracture of lower limb	6.1	7.0	13.1	1	2	2
N830-N848	Dislocation without fracture; sprains, etc.	*	•	6.1			1
N885, N886	Traumatic amputation of thumb and/or						
	fingers	12.0	*	14.0	3	*	2
	_						
000-999	Total, all illnesses	1,226.9	1,359.9	2,586.8	289	322	305

CHRONIC ILLNESSES REPORTED(a): TYPES, NUMBERS AND RATES, TOTAL, FIVE STATES(b), MAY 1968—continued

Less than 4,000 or based on a figure less than 4,000. See note to table on page 1087.
(a) Where a person suffered from more than four chronic illnesses, only the four most serious were tabulated.
(b) Excludes Victoria, the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory.
(c) Number of chronic illnesses reported per 1,000 of population.
(d) Excludes 520-529 (diseases of oral cavity, salivary glands and jaws).

PERSONS SUFFERING FROM CHRONIC LIMITING ILLNESS (EXCLUDING INSTITUTIONALISED PERSONS(a)), BY NATURE OF HANDICAP, MAY 1968

					N.S.W.	Qld	<i>S.A</i> .	W.A.	Tas.	Total(b)
SUB	BSTA	NTIA	ALLY	HAND	ICAPPED	IN SOCIAL	OR RECR	EATIONAL	ACTIVIT	IES
Number ('(_								
Males					105.5	47.8	27.2	23.8	9.9	214.3
Females					107.0	44.0	26.0	20.6	9.4	207.0
Persons					212.4	91.8	53.2	44.5	19.4	421.2
Rate(c)										
Males					49	56	49	53	52	51
Females					50	52	47	47	50	50
Persons	•	•	•	•	50	54	48	50	51	50
IN NE	ED (DF H	IELP	FROM	OTHERS	IN ANY O	F THE ACT	S OF DAI	LY LIVIN	G(d)(e)
Number ('	000)_	_								
Males					12.2	4.2	*	*	*	22.5
Females	÷				16.3	6.3	*	*	*	31.0
Persons		÷			28.4	10.5	6.9	4.7	*	53.4
Rate(c)-	•			•						
Males					6	5	\$	*	*	6
Females					8	8	*	*	*	8
Persons	•	•	•	•	7	7	7	6	*	7
			PRE	EVENTE	D FROM	GETTING	ABOUT AL	ONE(f)(g)		
Number ('()00)	-			20.1	7.6	4.2	٠	*	25.0
Males Females	·	·	•	•	20.1	7.5 13.9	4.3 10.2	5.7	*	35.9
Persons	•	·	•	•	40.3 60.4	21.4	10.2	8.1	4.7	73.3 109.2
Rate(c)-	·	·	•	•	00.4	21.4	14.5	0.1	4.7	109.2
Males					13	13	11	\$	#	12
Females	•	·	•	•	26	24	26	19	*	25
Persons	•	•	•	•	20 20	18	19	13	18	19
FEM	ALES	SU	BSTA	NTIAL	LY HAND	ICAPPED I	N ABILITY	TO DO H	OUSEWOR	K(g)
Number ('(000)			•	58.9	22.6	15.0	10.1	4.3	111.0
Rate(c)	•	•	•	•	38	38	38	34	33	37
					WITH A V	WORK HAT	NDICAP(<i>h</i>)			
Number ('(
Males	•				50.5	20.5	12.0	10.2	5.5	98.7
Females					30.7	10.8	5.2	5.6	*	55.2
~					81.2	31.2	17.2	15.8	8.4	153.9
Persons										
Persons Rate(c)—										
					37	3 i	34	36	47	
Rate(c)	•	•	•	•	37 24 31	3) 22 31	34 16 26	36 23 29	47 * 38	37 23 30

* Less than or based on a figure less than 4,000. See note to table on page 1087. (a) Institutionalised persons are inmates of hospitals, convalescent homes, homes for the aged or handicapped, orphanages and penal establishments. For the purposes of the survey, a person was classified as an inmate if he spent the Wednesday night preceding the week in which he was interviewed in one of these institutions. (b) Excludes Victoria, the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory. (c) Number per 1,000 of population, excluding institutionalised persons, in the same group. (d) Eating, bathing, dressing, getting into bed, etc. (e) Aged 5 years and over. (f) For shopping, visiting the doctor, etc. (g) Aged 15 years and over. (h) Males 15 to 64 years; females 15 to 59 years vears.

NOTE. These categories of limited activities are not mutually exclusive. Some persons are limited in one or more activities while others are limited by a chronic illness but are not in any one of the above categories.

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	Males age 15–64 yea		Females a 15–59 yea		Total		
	Number ('000)	Per cent	Number ('000)	Per cent	Number ('000)	Per cent	
Total with a work handicap-	98.7	100.0	55.2	100.0	153.9	100.0	
Handicap overcome—	39.4	40.0	6.0	· 10.9	45.5	29.6	
Working with special arrange-							
ment or assistance(c) .	16.5	16.7	*	*	19.6	12.8	
Forced to change occupation	22.9	23.2	*	*	25.8	16.8	
Handicap not overcome	59.3	60.0	49.1	89.1	108.4	70.4	
Prevented from working at a job	43.1	43.7	36.5	66.2	79.6	51.8	
Seriously handicapped in getting							
or holding a job	16.1	16.3	12.6	22.8	28.7	18.7	
Handicap could not be overcome	43.6	44.1	38.0	69.0	81.6	53.0	
Handicap could be $overcome(d)$	15.7	15.9	11.1	20.1	26.8	17.4	
Would accept work .	14.1	14.3	8.7	15.8	22.8	14.8	

PERSONS WITH A WORK HANDICAP BECAUSE OF CHRONIC ILLNESS (EXCLUDING INSTITUTIONALISED PERSONS(a)): TOTAL, FIVE STATES(b), MAY 1968

Less than 4,000 or based on a figure less than 4,000. See note to table on page 1087.
 (a) See footnote (a) to previous table.
 (b) Excludes Victoria, the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory.
 (c) Light, simple, sedentary work, special equipment, short hours, transport provided.
 (d) Persons who reported that their handicap could be overcome by the provision of special arrangements or assistance.

CHAPTER 19. PUBLIC FINANCE

COMMONWEALTH FINANCE

Commonwealth Budget, 1970-71

(see pages 1079 for particulars of 1969-70 Budget)

The 1970-71 Commonwealth Budget provided for an estimated outlay of \$7,915 million (\$7,113 million in 1969-70) and estimated receipts of \$7,920 million (\$7,106 million in 1969-70). The surplus for 1970-71 was thus estimated at \$4 million (the deficit in 1969-70 was \$7 million).

Outlay

OUTLAY OF COMMONWEALTH BUDGET

(\$ million)

							1	969–70	-	970–71 imates
Outlay-										
Net expenditure on	goo	ds and	l serv	ices-	_					
Current expendit	ure—	-								
War and defen	ce						1,017	1,0)63	
Repatriation							84		91	
Development of	of res	source	s and	d assi	stance	e to				
industry							156	1	78	
Civil aviation							38		40	
Immigration							59		6	
Law, order and	1 out	olic sat	fetv				16		17	
Education							41		51	
Public health a	nd w	elfare					64		77	
External affairs							31		33	
All other							250	2	273	
	•	-	•	-				1.755		1,884
Capital expenditu	ire									.,
Public enterpri										
Houses and						-	15	٦		
Other .			•	÷			32			
Public authorit	ies		•	•	•	•			47	
Transport							63	1 1		
Other .	•	•	•	•			84			
	•	•	•	•	•	-		195		247
Total							-	1,950		2,131

			1969-70	-	970–71 imates
Transfer payments—					
Cash benefits to persons		1,598		1,745	
Grants to States		1,620		2,065	
Interest paid		546		577	
Overseas grants and contributions .		180		185	
Subsidies		213		291	
Grants for private capital purposes .	-	33		35	
Total			4,189		4,898
Total Expenditure		_	6,139	_	7,030
Net advances		-		_	
to States—Works purposes		518		364	
Housing agreement		118		127	
Other		31		17	
	_		667		508
to Commonwealth authorities-Post Office		233		24)	
S.M.H.E.A.		33		28	
Airlines		-16		35	
Other .		21		33	
	·		271-		336
to Other sectors-by War Service Homes		11		14	
Other	÷	25		28	
	· 		36—		42
Total		-	974		886
Total Outlay		-	7,113	-	7,91

OUTLAY OF COMMONWEALTH BUDGET—continued

(\$ million)

The main increases in Budget allocation in 1970–71 over 1969–70 were in the fields of grants to the States (from \$1,620 million to \$2,065 million), of cash benefits to persons (from \$1,598 million to \$1,745 million) and of assistance to industry (from \$191 million to \$272 million). The estimated increases are due mainly to the following additional commitments.

Payments to the States (grants and net advances)

An estimated overall increase of \$291 million in payments to the States included increases of \$170 million in financial assistance grants, \$12 million in servicing charges on State debt (as first stage in effecting the formal transfer by July 1974 of \$1,000 million of State debt to the Commonwealth in yearly amounts of \$200 million), an interest free grant of \$200 million to the States for works (thereby reducing repayable advances by \$145 million), \$10 million in advances to States for housing, and \$25 million in Commonwealth Aid Roads grants.

Cash benefits to persons.

Repatriation Benefits (weekly rates). War pensions: Special rate, \$38.00; Intermediate rate, \$28.00; General rate special compensation allowance, \$4.50 to \$6.00; War widows—pension, \$15.50; domestic allowance, \$8.00; War orphans—one parent dead, \$6 for the first child and \$5 for each other child; both parents dead, \$12 for each child. Service pensions: single rate, \$15.50; married rate (both pensioners), \$13.75 each (see Chapter 5 Repatriation).

Social Service Benefits (weekly rates). Age and Invalid pensions and Sheltered Employment allowances: single rate, \$15.50; married rate (both eligible), \$13.75 each. Widows pensions: Class 'A' \$15.50; Class 'B' and Class 'C' \$13.75. Long-term Sickness Benefits: higher rates become payable after six weeks as follows—\$15.50 for an adult or married minor, and \$10 for a person aged 16 and under 21 years. In addition, supplementary assistance of \$2 (maximum) may be payable. Persons who are in hospital and have no dependants do not qualify for these higher benefits (see Chapter 13 Welfare Services).

Health Benefits (weekly rates). Tuberculosis allowances: single person \$18.75; man and wife, \$30.75. Subsidised Medical Services: free health insurance for hospital and medical fund benefits is

provided for family groups, of a least two units, where the family income does not exceed \$42.50 a week. The Commonwealth will also pay two-thirds the cost of the usual insurance rates for these benefits where the family income is between \$42.50 and \$45.50 a week; and one-third of the usual rates where the family income is between \$45.50 and \$48.50 a week (see Chapter 14 Public Health).

Payments to industry. An estimated increase of \$81 million in the cost of assistance to Australian industry by way of bounties, subsidies and other payments and by way of contribution to promotion and research was largely due to the following increases on 1969-70 expenditures: wheat industry stabilisation, \$31 million; emergency assistance to woolgrowers, \$30 million; and butter and cheese bounty, \$15 million.

Receipts

RECEIPTS OF COMMONWEALTH BUDGET

(\$ million)

			1	969–70		970–71 timates
Receipts-						
Taxation—						
Indirect taxes			2,207		2,492	
Income taxes on companies			1,197		1,452	
Income taxes on persons-P.A.Y.E.			2,084		2,275	
Other			771		758	
Estate and gift duties	•	•	80		74	
Total				6,339		7,050
Other receipts—						
Interest, rent and dividends .			711		805	
Gross income of public enterprises			44		53	
Net sales of existing assets	•	•	12		12	
Total				767		870
Total Receipts			-	7,106	-	7,920

Of the expected increase of \$814 million in receipts, it was estimated that \$711 million would be derived from increased taxation collections after allowing for proposed changes in rates. Proposed changes in existing taxes and charges included rate reductions in individuals' income tax (of some 10 per cent on taxable incomes up to \$10,000, tapering off to 4.4 per cent at \$20,000, with no reduction on incomes of \$32,000 and above); a higher exemption level for age allowances; increases in companies' income tax (by adding 2.5 cents in the dollar to all rates), in customs and excise duty on petroleum products, tobacco products and on wine (excise duty on wine newly imposed in 1970–71), in sales tax (25 per cent raised to 27.5 per cent), in post office charges and in miscellaneous charges for services relating to air and marine navigation and radio communication.

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