CHAPTER 11

OVERSEAS TRANSACTIONS

This chapter includes statistics of overseas trade, balance of payments, and overseas investment by private investors, but because of limitations of space the statistics are, in the main, restricted to summarised form. For detailed information see the Annual Bulletin of Overseas Investment, Australia; and the other annual bulletins Overseas Trade (preliminary and final), Australian Exports, Australian Imports, Imports Cleared for Home Consumption (issued in six parts) and the half-yearly bulletin Balance of Payments. Preliminary information is available in summary form in the statements Balance of Payments-Quarterly Summary, Overseas Investment-Preliminary Bulletin (annual), Australian Overseas Trade-Exports and Imports (monthly), Overseas Trade-Exports by Commodity Divisions (monthly), and Overseas Trade-Imports by Commodity Divisions (monthly). Current information is included in the Quarterly Summary of Australian Statistics, the Monthly Review of Business Statistics, the Digest of Current Economic Statistics, and in more detail in the Monthly Bulletin of Overseas Trade Statistics. There are also the following additional mimeographed statements: Exports of Principal Products of Australian Origin (monthly), Imports of Assembled New Motor Cars (monthly), Overseas Trade with Major Groups of Countries (quarterly), Highlights of Overseas Trade (quarterly), and Trade of Australia with Eastern Countries (annually). Additional unpublished details of exports and imports can be supplied on request.

A subscription service is available from this Bureau to provide for the detailed requirements of individual users of overseas trade statistics. These special periodical returns are obtainable monthly or quarterly and show trade according to items of the Australian Export and Import Commodity Classifications or statistical key code dissections of Australian Customs Tariff items. A nominal charge is made which varies depending on the amount of detail required.

OVERSEAS TRADE

Constitutional provisions and legislation

Constitutional provisions

By the Commonwealth of Australia Constitution Act, section 51 (1), the power to make laws with respect to trade and commerce with other countries was conferred on the Commonwealth Parliament. Under section 86 of the Constitution, the collection and control of duties of customs and excise passed to the Executive Government of the Commonwealth on 1 January 1901. Other references to trade and commerce are contained in sections 87 to 95 of the Constitution (*see* pages 17–18).

Commonwealth legislation

Commonwealth legislation affecting overseas trade includes: the Customs Act, the Customs Tariff and the Customs Tariff (Dumping and Subsidies) Act. The Customs Act is the administrative Act under which the Department of Customs and Excise operates. The Customs Tariff provides the statutory authority for imposing the actual rates of duty operative from time to time, while the Customs Tariff (Dumping and Subsidies) Act provides protection for Australian industry against various forms of unfair trading.

The Customs Tariff

The first Commonwealth Customs Tariff was introduced by Resolution on 8 October 1901, from which date uniform duties came into effect throughout Australia. The Australian Customs Tariff has been developed in conformity with the policy of protecting economic and efficient Australian industries and of granting preferential treatment to certain imports from countries of the Commonwealth and certain developing countries. Duties are imposed on some goods, generally of a luxury nature, for revenue purposes. Customs collections are a major source of revenue but in its protective character the tariff has an important influence on the Australian economy.

The present tariff provides for general and preferential rates of duty, and its structure is based on the 'Brussels Nomenclature' which has its origins in the Convention on Nomenclature for the Classification of Goods in Customs Tariffs, signed in Brussels on 15 December 1950. Australia has operated a 'Brussels-type' tariff since 1 July 1965.

Preferential rates. Preferential rates apply to goods the produce or manufacture of the United Kingdom, Ireland, Canada, New Zealand, Papua, and New Guinea, and certain goods the produce or manufacture of specified countries, provided that such goods comply with the laws in force at the time affecting the grant of preference.

The following are the rules of origin for preference purposes as defined in the Customs Act.

'151.—(1.) For the purposes of this Act and the *Customs Tariff* 1966–1970 (other than section twenty of the last-mentioned Act), goods shall be treated as the produce of a country if they are unmanufactured raw products of the country.

(2.) For the purposes of this Act and the *Customs Tariff* 1966–1970 (other than section twenty or a direction under section thirty-three "c" of the last-mentioned Act), goods shall be treated as the manufacture of a country—

- (a) if the goods were wholly manufactured in the country from materials of one or more of the following classes:
 - (i) unmanufactured raw products;
 - (ii) materials wholly manufactured in the country or in Australia, or in the country and in Australia; and
 - (iii) imported materials that the Minister has, in relation to the country, determined, by notice published in the *Gazette*, to be manufactured raw materials; or
- (b) if the goods were partly manufactured in the country, the process last performed in the manufacture of the goods was performed in the country and—
 - (i) not less than three-quarters, or, in a case where the country is New Zealand, one-half, of the factory or works cost of the goods is represented by the value of labour or materials, or of labour and materials, of the country or of the country and Australia;
 - (ii) in a case where the goods are goods of a class or kind not commercially manufactured in Australia, not less than one-quarter of the factory or works cost of the goods is represented by the value of labour or materials, or of labour and materials, of the country or of the country and Australia; or
 - (iii) in a case where the country is New Zealand, not less than three-quarters of the factory or works cost of the goods is represented by the value of labour or materials, or of labour and materials, of New Zealand and the United Kingdom or of New Zealand, Australia and the United Kingdom.

(3.) For the purposes of a direction under section thirty-three "c" of the *Customs Tariff* 1966-1970 goods shall be treated as the manufacture of a country if—

- (a) the process last performed in the manufacture of the goods was performed in the country; and
- (b) not less than one-half of the factory or works cost of the goods is represented by the value of labour or materials, or of labour and materials, of the country or of the country and one or more of the following countries, that is to say, Australia and countries that, at the time the goods are entered for home consumption, are less developed countries, other than a country that, by virtue of a direction under sub-section (2) of section eleven of the *Customs Tariff* 1966–1970 is not to be treated as a less developed country in relation to the class of goods in which the goods are included.

'151A.--(1.) For the purposes of this Act and the *Customs Tariff* 1966-1970 (other than section twenty or a direction under section thirty-three "c" of the last-mentioned Act), goods shall not be treated as the produce or manufacture of the United Kingdom, Canada, New Zealand, Ireland, Malawi, Rhodesia, Zambia, the Territory of Papua or the Territory of New Guinea unless they have been shipped from that country to Australia and, except where the Collector is satisfied that the intended destination of the goods when originally shipped from that country was Australia, have not been transhipped.

- (2.) The last preceding sub-section does not apply-
- (a) to goods the produce or manufacture of a country other than New Zealand that are imported into Australia from New Zealand; or
- (b) to goods the produce or manufacture of a country other than the Territory of Papua or the Territory of New Guinea that are imported into Australia from the Territory of Papua or the Territory of New Guinea.

(3.) For the purposes of a direction under section thirty-three "c" of the *Customs Tariff* 1966-1970, goods shall not be treated as the produce or manufacture of a country unless they have been shipped from that country to Australia and, except where the Collector is satisfied that the intended destination of the goods when originally shipped from that country was Australia, have not been transhipped.

- (4.) For the purposes of this section-
- (a) goods may be treated as having been shipped from the Territory of Papua or the Territory of New Guinea if they have been shipped from either of those territories; and
- (b) goods may be treated as having been shipped from Malawi, Rhodesia or Zambia if they have been shipped from any of those countries or from Lourenco Marques or Beira in Mozambique'.

Declared preference countries, Customs Tariff. 10.--(1.) The Minister may, by order published in the Gazette, declare that a country specified in the order is a declared preference country for the purposes of this Act.

(2.) An order under the last preceding sub-section has effect, or shall be deemed to have had effect, from and including such date (which may be a date earlier than the date of publication of the order in the *Gazette*) as is specified in the order.

(3.) The Minister may, by order published in the *Gazette*, revoke an order under sub-section (1.) of this section.

(4.) An order under the last preceding sub-section has effect from and including such date (which shall not be a date earlier than the date of publication of the order in the *Gazette*) as is specified in the order.

(5.) Goods shall not be treated as the produce or manufacture of a declared preference country for the purposes of this Act unless, at the time the goods are entered for home consumption, the order under sub-section (1.) of this section in which the declared preference country is specified has effect or is deemed to have had effect.

Declared preference countries comprise:

Bahamas Barbados Bermuda British Honduras British Solomon Islands Protectorate Brunei Ceylon Cyprus Falkland Islands and Dependencies Fiji Gambia	Ghana Gibraltar Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony Guyana, Republic of Hong Kong Jamaica Kenya Leeward Islands Malaysia Maldive Islands Malta	Mauritius and Dependencies Nigeria, Federation of St Helena Seychelles Sierra Leone Singapore, Republic of Tanzania Tonga Trinidad and Tobago Uganda Virgin Islands, British Windward Islands
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General rates. General rates apply to goods from all countries which do not qualify for preferential rates of duty under a particular tariff classification.

By-law provisions. Customs By-laws and Ministerial Determinations are instruments made by the Minister for Customs and Excise under the authority of sections 271 to 273D of the Customs Act by which goods may be admitted free of duty or at rates of duty lower than those normally applicable. By-laws and determinations may only be made under a by-law classification, which is a tariff classification containing the words 'as prescribed by by-law'. Such a classification sets out the by-law duty rates which will apply to goods only when such goods are included in a by-law or determination made under that classification. A prerequisite for by-law admission is that suitably equivalent goods be not reasonably available from Australian production. A by-law covers goods by general description with no limit on quantity and may be used by any importer of the goods. A determination generally covers a specific quantity of particular goods and may be used only by the importer mentioned in the determination. *Primage duties.* In addition to the ordinary duties of customs imposed by the Customs Tariff, *ad valorem* primage duties at rates of five per cent or ten per cent are charged on some goods according to the types of goods and origin thereof. Other goods are exempt from primage duty. Goods the produce or manufacture of New Zealand, Norfolk Island, Fiji, Cocos (Keeling) Islands, Christmas Island, Papua, and New Guinea are exempt from primage duty.

Anti-dumping duties. The Customs Tariff (Dumping and Subsidies) Act 1961–1965 provides protection for Australian industry against various forms of unfair trading. Under this Act dumping duty may be imposed on goods that are sold to Australian importers at a price which is less than the normal value of the goods, where this causes or threatens not insubstantial injury to an Australian industry. 'Normal value' under the Act means:

- (a) fair market value in the country of export;
- (b) price in the country of export to a third country;
- (c) fair market value in a third country; or
- (d) cost of production, plus f.o.b. charges, plus selling costs and profit.

The amount of dumping duty is the difference between the normal value and f.o.b. export price.

Countervailing duty may be levied on goods in respect of which any subsidy, bounty, reduction or remission of freight, or other financial assistance has been, or is being, paid or granted directly or indirectly upon the production, manufacture, carriage or export of those goods. The amount of the countervailing duty in respect of any goods is a sum equal to the amount of the subsidy, bounty, reduction or remission of freight or other financial assistance.

Import controls—Customs (Import Licensing) Regulations

A comprehensive system of import licensing was introduced in Australia at the beginning of the second World War under the authority of the Customs (Import Licensing) Regulations. Following the gradual relaxation of the restrictions from the end of the War, import licensing was reimposed on 8 March 1952 and continued in force until 18 October 1962. From that date restrictions were removed from all commodities with the exception of some goods retained under control for reasons associated with the protection of Australian industry. Further information on import controls is given in Year Book No. 51, page 492.

Export controls and incentives

Export restrictions. Section 112 of the Customs Act provides that the Governor-General may, by regulation, prohibit the exportation of goods from Australia and that this power may be exercised by: (a) prohibiting the exportation of goods absolutely; (b) prohibiting the exportation of goods to a specified place; and (c) prohibiting the exportation of goods unless prescribed conditions or restrictions are complied with. Goods subject to this export control are listed in the Customs (Prohibited Exports) Regulations.

Exchange control—Banking Act 1959–1967. As an integral part of the framework of exchange control, a control over goods exported from Australia is maintained under the provisions of Part III of the Banking (Foreign Exchange) Regulations, to ensure that the full proceeds of such goods are received into the Australian banking system and that these proceeds are received in the currency and in the manner prescribed by the Reserve Bank of Australia. This action is complementary to that taken under other parts of the Banking (Foreign Exchange) Regulations and under Part IV of the Banking Act to control the movement out of Australia of capital in the form of securities, currency and gold.

Export licences are issued subject to terms and conditions specified in the Banking (Foreign Exchange) Regulations, and may be subject to such further terms and conditions as are determined, or may be free from terms and conditions. On the receipt in Australia by the Reserve Bank, or by a bank acting as agent for that Bank, of advice that the foreign currency has been paid to the Reserve Bank or to an agent of the Bank in payment for goods exported in accordance with a licence granted under the regulations, the Bank, or an agent of the Bank, pays the licensee, or such other person as is entitled to receive it, an amount in Australian currency equivalent to the foreign currency received. In addition to commercial transactions involving exports, movements of personal effects are also controlled. Persons leaving Australia for overseas are required to obtain licences to cover their bona fide baggage, personal effects and household effects in any individual case where the gold content thereof exceeds \$1,000, or where jewellery and other articles of high intrinsic worth either exceed \$10,000 in value or those goods have not been the personal property of the passenger for at least twelve months.

GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES

Export incentives. The Commonwealth Government provides taxation concessions as financial incentives to export. A special income tax allowance for export market development expenditure is designed to encourage firms to incur promotion expenditure in advance of export sales and to assist exporters and potential exporters to expand sales in the existing markets and to enter new overseas markets. The allowance is in the form of a special deduction equal and additional to the ordinary deduction allowable in respect of specified expenses. Rebates of pay-roll tax are also granted to employers whose export sales of goods or property rights have increased above their average annual level in a base period. The rebate is available in the first place to employers who are producers for export, but a producer for export may issue an export certificate to an employer who has supplied components embodied in the final product.

Trade descriptions

The Commerce (Trade Descriptions) Act 1905-1966 gives power to require the application of a proper trade description to certain prescribed goods imported into or exported from Australia. Goods which must bear a prescribed trade description upon importation into Australia are specified in the Commerce (Imports) Regulations. As regards exports from Australia, marking requirements are prescribed in regulations issued under the Act and relating to specified export commodities.

Government authorities

Tariff Board

The Tariff Board Act 1921–1966 provides for the appointment of a Tariff Board consisting of eight members. Of these, two must, and three may, be members of the Commonwealth Public Service at the time of their appointment (or first appointments in the case of re-appointments). Members of the Board are appointed for terms of not less than one year and not more than five years. The purpose of the Tariff Board is to advise the Government on matters relating to the protection and encouragement of Australian industry.

The Minister of State for Trade and Industry is required to refer to the Board for inquiry and report the following matters; the necessity for new, increased, or reduced duties; the necessity for granting bounties and the effect of existing bounties; and any complaint that a manufacturer is taking undue advantage of the protection afforded him by the Tariff or by the restriction of the importation of any goods by charging unnecessarily high prices for his goods or acting in restraint of trade. In addition, the Minister may refer the following matters to the Tariff Board for inquiry and report: the general effect of the working of the Customs Tariff and the Excise Tariff; the fiscal and industrial effects of the Customs laws on the Commonwealth; the incidence between the rates of duty on raw materials and on finished or partly finished products; and other matters affecting the encouragement of primary and secondary industries in relation to the Tariff. The Minister of State for Customs and Excise may refer to the Tariff or Excise Tariff and matters in connection with the interpretation of goods in the Customs Tariff or Excise Tariff and matters in connection with the interpretation of these Tariffs; the question of the value for duty of goods; whether goods not prescribed in departmental by-laws should be so prescribed; and any matters in respect of which action may be taken under the *Customs Tariff (Dumping and Subsidies) Act* 1961–1965.

Where a matter of the necessity for new or increased duties on any goods has been referred to the Board for inquiry and report, the Board may, in its report, recommend the restriction of the importation of those goods for such period as is specified in the report.

Inquiries conducted by the Board relating to a revision of the Tariff, a proposal for a bounty, a question under the Customs Tariff (Dumping and Subsidies) Act, or any complaint that a manufacturer is taking undue advantage of the protection afforded him by the Tariff or by the restriction of the importation of any goods, are held in public, and evidence in such inquiries is taken in public on oath, unless the Board accepts evidence as confidential or in the form of a written statement by a witness on oath. The Board is required to make available to the public the contents of any such written statement except any matter which it accepts as confidential.

Special Advisory Authority

The Minister for Trade and Industry may also request a Special Advisory Authority to inquire into cases where urgent action appears necessary to protect an Australian industry against import competition pending receipt and consideration of a full report by the Tariff Board. The Special Advisory Authority's report must be submitted to the Minister within thirty days of the making of the request. Temporary protection recommended by a Special Advisory Authority may be imposed, but may only operate for a period of up to three months after the date of receipt of the final report by the Tariff Board on the goods concerned.

Trade agreements

Multilateral-General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade

The General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (G.A.T.T.), which came into force on 1 January 1948, is a multilateral trade treaty designed to facilitate trading relations between participating countries by reducing tariff and other barriers to the free interchange of goods. The Agreement provides a framework within which negotiations can be held to reduce barriers to trade, and a structure for embodying the results of such negotiations in a legal instrument. Features of the Agreement are the schedules of tariff concessions participating countries have negotiated with each other, the application of most-favoured-nation tariff treatment among the participants, the avoidance of other trade discrimination, and a code of agreed commercial policy rules for international trading. Each participating country retains the right (a) to impose new or increased duties for protective purposes, except in respect of particular products where rates of duty have been bound against increase in negotiations under the Agreement; (b) by negotiation to modify or withdraw concessions formerly agreed; (c) to impose import restrictions to protect the balance of payments; (d) to take emergency action where any industry is endangered by reason of any obligation incurred under the Agreement.

There have been six main tariff negotiations under the provisions of the Agreement, and a number of smaller scale negotiations preceding the accession of individual countries. As a result the tariff rates for a great many items entering into world commerce have been reduced and/or bound against increase. Australia has obtained tariff concessions from individual countries on a number of its principal or potential exports to them, as a result both of direct negotiation by Australia and of negotiation by other countries. In the latter case the benefits occurred through the operation under the Agreement of the most-favoured-nation principle. The latest series of trade negotiations, the Kennedy Round, was based on a plan for linear tariff cuts by industrial countries on all industrial products, with a minimum of exceptions, and on the reduction of non-tariff barriers to trade and the creation of acceptable conditions of access to world markets for agricultural products. It concluded in June 1967 after three years of negotiations. Concessions were negotiated on trade valued at over \$36,000 million. The average reductions in tariffs on industrial goods was roughly one-third, while in agriculture the most important item was the agreement reached on the basis for a new world grains arrangement. Overall results were substantial, but were unevenly spread in that efforts to reduce trade barriers were very much more successful for manufactures than for primary products. In the post-Kennedy Round period, therefore, Australia is placing particular emphasis on the work of the Committee on Agriculture, created in November 1967, to examine the problems in the agricultural sector.

Up to the end of 1970 the contracting parties had held twenty-six sessions, nearly all in Geneva, to deal with matters arising from the administration of the Agreement. As a general rule the contracting parties meet once a year, although in a few instances they have met twice. In 1960 a Council of Representatives was established to undertake work, both of an urgent and of a routine character, between the regular sessions of the contracting parties. Some of the provisions of the Agreement were revised in 1954 and 1955. The revised Agreement contains tighter provisions on non-tariff barriers to trade, and allows more freedom for countries to revise individual tariff items which had been bound against an increase in tariff negotiations under the Agreement.

Since G.A.T.T. has not been accepted definitively by any country except Haiti, the Agreement is at present being applied provisionally pursuant to a Protocol of Provisional Application. On 1 January 1971, seventy-eight countries, whose foreign trade represents over eighty per cent of the total volume of world trade, were full contracting parties to the Agreement, one had acceded provisionally, and fourteen applied the Agreement on a *de facto* basis.

Increasing attention has been focused in G.A.T.T. on specific trade and development problems of developing countries, and in February 1965 a new Part IV of G.A.T.T., aimed at helping developing countries solve these problems, was introduced on a *de facto* basis. It entered legally into force in June 1966. The new Part IV embodies commitments to individual and joint action by contracting parties, aimed at ensuring that the developing countries can increasingly find the means to raise standards of living and promote rapid economic development through participating in international trade and achieving sustained growth of their export earnings.

As a means of helping to offset the competitive disadvantages faced by the new industries of the developing countries, and of putting these countries in a better position to compete with major industrial countries in the Australian market, Australia formulated in 1965 a system of tariff preferences for developing countries on a range of manufactured and semi-manufactured products, all of which had been nominated by developing countries as being of export interest to them. It was recognised that Australia's initiative might well give a lead to other countries which might wish to use preferences to assist developing countries, and so lead to a compounding of the benefits to the developing countries. Before the Australian system could be introduced, it was necessary to obtain a waiver from the G.A.T.T. 'no-new-preference' provisions. Such a waiver was granted at the end of March 1966 and the first preferences for developing countries became effective in April 1966. The Australian system has been extended in scope from time to time and is successfully stimulating imports of the products concerned from developing countries. Features of the system are that it is non-reciprocal (in that Australia seeks nothing in return), that it contains safeguards for Australian industries and for the interests of third countries, and that it is subject to international supervision through the G.A.T.T.

Bilateral agreements

United Kingdom. The original United Kingdom and Australia Trade Agreement (Ottawa Agreement) was signed on 20 August 1932. The provisions and history of the agreement were published in Year Book No. 43, page 329. A new Trade Agreement designed to replace the original agreement and correct the imbalance in benefits which had emerged in the twenty-five years of its operation came into effect on 9 November 1956. Briefly, this agreement preserves security for Australian exports in the United Kingdom market, but lowers the obligatory margins of preference which Australia extends to the United Kingdom. The agreement provides for re-negotiation fare the initial five-year period, but by arrangement between the two Governments this re-negotiation has been postponed. In the meantime the agreement continues subject to six months notice of termination by either country. Further details of the 1956 Agreement may be obtained from Year Book No. 51, page 495.

Canada. The existing agreement between Australia and Canada came into force on 30 June 1960, replacing an agreement signed on 3 August 1931. The agreement provides for Australian goods to receive British Preferential Tariff rates, or better, upon entry into Canada, and for Canada to maintain margins of preference in favour of Australia on a range of commodities. The agreement specifies that Canadian goods, with some exceptions, shall receive the benefit of the British Preferential Tariff upon importation into Australia and that Australia shall maintain margins of preference in favour of Canada con a range of commodities. The agreement continues subject to six months notice.

New Zealand. The New Zealand-Australia Free Trade Agreement came into force on 1 January 1966. The agreement provides for free trade in certain scheduled goods. Provision is made for the addition of items to the schedule. The provision of the 1933 Trade Agreement between Australia and New Zealand continues in force as part of the Free Trade Agreement, except as superseded or modified by it.

Rhodesia. A trade agreement was negotiated with the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland in June 1955. This agreement consisted mainly of an exchange of preferential tariff treatment over a range of items. The Federation was dissolved on 31 December 1963, but application of the Agreement was continued on a provisional basis between Australia and each of the three constituent territories Zambia (Northern Rhodesia), Rhodesia (Southern Rhodesia) and Malawi (Nyasaland). Zambia terminated the Trade Agreement with Australia on 30 June 1966 and the Agreement between Malawi and Australia lapsed on 1 January 1967. Following the unilateral declaration of independence by the Rhodesian Government in November 1965 tariff preferences between Australia and Rhodesia is inoperative at the present time.

Malaysia. A trade agreement with the then Federation of Malaya became effective in August 1958. Under the agreement Malaya undertook to protect Australian wheat and flour from dumped or subsidised competition and to extend to Australia any tariff preferences it accords. Australia guaranteed free entry for natural rubber so long as the Papua-New Guinea crop was absorbed, and assured the Federation that natural rubber would not be at a disadvantage compared with synthetic rubber in respect of tariff or import licensing treatment. The Agreement continues to apply between Australia and that portion of Malaysia known previously as the Federation of Malaya.

Japan. An Agreement on Commerce between the Commonwealth of Australia and Japan was signed on 6 July 1957, and formally ratified on 4 December 1957. It was provided that the Agreement would remain in force until 5 July 1960, and thereafter unless prior notice of termination should be given by either Government. The agreement provides that each country shall extend most-favourednation treatment to the other in respect of customs duties and similar charges, and import and export licensing. Japan is not entitled to claim the benefit of preferences accorded by Australia to Commonwealth countries and dependent territories. Japan also gave certain specific commitments on some important Australian export commodities.

Following a review of the agreement, a Protocol of Amendment was signed on 5 August 1963 and formally ratified on 27 May 1964. Under the Protocol Australia agreed to withdraw action against Japan under Article XXXV of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, and thus a full G.A.T.T. relationship was established between the two countries.

The specific undertakings agreed in 1957 have now lapsed and the following commitments have been entered into.

Japan has:

- (a) undertaken not to accord less favourable import treatment (apart from tariff) for raw wool than for raw cotton,
- (b) stated that it has no present intention of imposing a duty on wool,
- (c) undertaken to continue imports of Australian soft wheat at a stabilised level, and to purchase Australian hard wheat* when necessary requirements are met,
- (d) stated that it will endeavour to expand opportunities for imports into Japan of Australian sugar, canned meat, leather, motor vehicles, butter, and cheese.

Australia has:

- (a) undertaken to consult Japan on temporary protection cases affecting Japanese products (in such consultations Japan will consider whether the need for temporary protection can be obviated by measures taken in Japan),
- (b) stated that equal opportunities of fair and equal competition are accorded to Japanese products in Australian Government purchases overseas.

The new agreement will be effective for three years from the date of ratification and thereafter subject to three months' notice of termination by either Government. There is provision for consultations to take place at least annually.

Indonesia. This agreement came into operation on 1 July 1959. It records the desirability of expanding trade between Australia and Indonesia. It also gives special recognition to the importance of the flour trade from Australia to Indonesia. Australia recognises the importance to Indonesia of its traditional exports to Australia. The agreement is subject to review and renewal annually.

Philippines. A trade agreement with the Philippines was signed in Manila on 16 June 1965. The agreement provides for an exchange of non-discriminatory treatment[†] while recognising existing preferences. The agreement is to operate for one year initially and continue thereafter unless one Government gives ninety days' notice of its intention to terminate it. The Philippines is not a member of G.A.T.T.

U.S.S.R. A trade agreement between Australia and the U.S.S.R. was signed in Moscow on 15 October 1965. The agreement provides for the exchange of most-favoured-nation tariff treatment between the two countries, while recognising existing preferences. It operates initially for a period of four years and thereafter until cancelled by either party. There is provision for consultation on request about any matter affecting the operation of the agreement.

Korea. On 21 September 1965 a trade agreement was signed in Seoul between Australia and South Korea. Basically the agreement provides for an exchange of non-discriminatory treatment with allowances for existing preferences. The agreement, to run for one year with provision for automatic extension, also provides for non-discrimination by State trading enterprises. Both Governments undertake to use their best endeavours to increase the volume of trade between the two countries.

Poland. A trade agreement between Australia and Poland was signed in Warsaw on 20 June 1966. The agreement provides for the exchange of most-favoured-nation tariff treatment between the two countries, while recognising existing preferences. It operates initially for a period of four years and thereafter until cancelled by either party. There is provision for consultation on request about any matter affecting the operation of the agreement.

Bulgaria. A trade agreement between Australia and Bulgaria was signed in Sofia on 22 June 1966. The agreement provides for the exchange of most-favoured-nation tariff treatment between the two countries, while recognising existing preferences. It operates initially for a period of four years and thereafter until cancelled by either party. There is provision for consultation on request about any matter affecting the operation of the agreement.

Romania. A trade agreement between Australia and Romania was signed in Bucharest on 18 May 1967. The agreement provides for the exchange of most-favoured-nation tariff treatment between the two countries, while recognising existing preferences. It operates initially for a period of four years and thereafter until cancelled by either party. There is provision for consultation on request about any matter affecting the operation of the agreement.

^{*} Soft' wheat is fair average quality wheat; 'hard' wheat is premium grade wheat similar to that grown in North America. † An agreement, with reservations, not to discriminate against each other with tariff or non-tariff barriers.

Hungary. A trade agreement between Australia and Hungary was signed in Budapest on 5 December 1967. The agreement provides for the exchange of most-favoured-nation tariff treatment between the two countries, while recognising existing preferences. It operates initially for a period of four years and thereafter until cancelled by either party. There is provision for consultation on request about any matter affecting the operation of the agreement.

Republic of China (Taiwan). On 22 April 1968 a trade agreement was signed in Canberra between Australia and the Republic of China. The agreement provides for an exchange of most-favoured-nation tariff treatment while recognising existing preferences. The agreement operated for one year initially and continues thereafter unless one government gives ninety days' notice of its intention to terminate it. The Republic of China is not a member of G.A.T.T.

Yugoslavia. A trade agreement between Australia and Yugoslavia was signed in Belgrade on 21 July 1970. The agreement provides for exchange of most-favoured-nation tariff treatment between the two countries while recognising existing preferences. The agreement will come into operation upon the exchange of notes by the two countries, and will remain in force until terminated by either party on ninety days' notice. There is provision for consultation on request about any matter affecting the operation of the agreement.

Trade services

Trade Commissioner Service

The stimulation of interest abroad in Australia's exports is an important government activity in which the Australian Trade Commissioner Service plays a prominent part. A brief account of the establishment and growth of the Trade Commissioner Service before the Second World War is available in Year Book No. 51, page 496. Since the War the service has increased steadily, and by early 1971 there were 130 Trade Commissioners and Assistant Trade Commissioners in forty-seven posts in thirty-seven countries.

Trade Commissioners are responsible for commercial intelligence in their territories. Particular facilities provided for Australian exporters and export organisations include: surveys of market prospects; advice on selling and advertising methods; arranging introductions with buyers and agents; providing reports on the standing of overseas firms; advice and assistance to business visitors; helping to organise and carry through trade missions, trade displays, newspaper supplements, and other promotion and publicity media; providing information on import duties, import licensing, economic conditions, quarantine and sanitary requirements, and other factors affecting the entry and sale of goods; helping to attract desirable investment.

In some countries Trade Commissioners also participate in inter-governmental negotiations in the economic and commercial fields. In certain countries where there is no diplomatic or consular mission Trade Commissioners are called upon to act as the Australian representative.

Trade Commissioners and Assistant Trade Commissioners are drawn from either private enterprise or the public service, and applications for entry into the Service are invited periodically by public advertisement. Recruitment is generally at the Assistant Trade Commissioner level and persons selected are promoted to Trade Commissioner as experience and performance warrant. In the majority of posts the Trade Commissioner is supported by an Assistant Trade Commissioner.

The Trade Commissioner Service is administered by the Commonwealth Department of Trade and Industry (as distinct from the diplomatic and consular services administered by the Department of Foreign Affairs), but in countries where there is an Australian diplomatic or consular mission it is the practice for Trade Commissioners to be attached to the mission and to hold an appropriate diplomatic or consular rank (Commercial Counsellor, Commercial Secretary or Commercial Attache).

The overseas trade representation is shown in the chapter International Relations.

Trade Missions

Since 1954 the Australian Government has sent a number of trade missions abroad as part of the campaign to increase exports. The experience acquired has indicated the need for flexibility in techniques to suit particular products or markets. At present the following types of trade missions are in use.

- Survey missions. These are organised to obtain precise knowledge about the export trade potential for specific products in an overseas market. Such methods are used to explore export prospects in new or developing areas where commercial intelligence is not readily available or where a complex industry is involved and the industry requires special export knowledge.
- Specialised and general trade missions. Arrangements are made for specific industries or groups of firms representing a number of industries to participate in a planned selling campaign in overseas markets with known sales potential. The mission visits the market, publicises its products and negotiates sales.

Up to the end of 1970 Australia has sent overseas fifty-two trade and survey missions and five trade ships.

Further details on trade missions are included in Year Book No. 49, page 544.

Export Payments Insurance Corporation

The Export Payments Insurance Corporation was established by the Commonwealth Government in 1956 with the objective of encouraging exports by providing insurance against risks of non-payment of overseas accounts. The Corporation is charged to be self-supporting, i.e. over a period its income should be adequate to cover the expenses of operation and any payments of claims which may be incurred.

The main risks of loss against which the Corporation insures are the 'commercial' risks of the insolvency or protracted default of the buyer and 'political' risks. The latter include exchange transfer difficulties; the imposition of government regulations which prevent the import of the goods into the buyer's country; war, revolution or civil disturbance in the buyer's country. For most 'political' risks insurance cover is available to a maximum of 90 per cent of the amount of loss in the pre-shipment period and a maximum of 95 per cent in the post-shipment period. The rate of cover for 'commercial' risks is fixed at 90 per cent.

The Corporation may submit to the Government, for consideration in the national interest, applications for payment insurance which are commercially unacceptable to the Corporation. In considering such applications the Government takes account of both political and economic factors.

An amendment to the *Export Payment Insurance Corporation Act* 1956 in November 1964 gave E.P.I.C. the authority to issue guarantees of payment to commercial lending institutions on money raised for the purpose of financing exports. The existence of E.P.I.C. guarantees has facilitated the raising of finance by exporters.

In addition to providing the above facilities, the Corporation insures, on behalf of the Commonwealth Government, eligible Australian investments in overseas countries against the main non-commercial risks associated with investing overseas, e.g. expropriation, exchange transfer difficulties, and war damage. For an investment to be eligible it must confer benefits on both Australia and the investment host country. As at 31 December 1970, 68 policies had been written for 17 investments mainly in south-east Asia. The face value of these policies was \$23 million.

Since the first policy was issued in September 1957, Australian exporters have made increasing use of the facilities of E.P.I.C. At 31 December 1970 the Corporation had 845 policies current on its commercial account (i.e. not including Government business) with a face value of over \$397 million. The Corporation has issued policies covering exports to 150 countries and has insured a wide range of Australian exports.

A Consultative Council, composed of eight leading figures in the fields of banking, commerce, and industry, and two Government members advises the Corporation on its activities. The council meets two or three times a year and is appointed for a term of three years.

Further information on the Corporation is contained in Year Book No. 49, page 544. For particulars of its operations see Chapter 17, Private Finance of this Year Book.

Collection and presentation of statistics

Basic documents

Overseas trade statistics are compiled by the Commonwealth Bureau of Census and Statistics from copies of export and import entries submitted by exporters and importers or their agents to the Department of Customs and Excise as required by the Customs Act. The entries show the port of shipment and country of consignment for exports, and port of entry and country of origin for imports, the date, the description, quantity where required, the value (f.o.b.) of the goods, and for imports, the amount of duty paid thereon. The export statistical item number is inserted by the exporter or his agent; the importer or his agent is required to insert the Tariff item number under which the goods are admitted and the statistical key code. These are verified by officers of the Department of Customs and Excise in the local offices of the Collectors and Sub-collectors of Customs.

Scope of the statistics

Overseas trade statistics are not confined to goods which are the subject of a commercial transaction and all goods moving into or out of Australia are recorded, except for those exclusions listed below. Among the items included are:

- (a) Exports and imports on government account including some items of defence equipment.
- (b) Outside packages (containers, crates, etc.). These are included as a separate item in the tabulation of imports, but in exports the value recorded for each item includes the value of the outside package.

Exclusions

- (a) Direct transit trade, i.e. goods being transhipped or moved through Australia for purposes of transport only.
- (b) Bunkers and stores supplied to vessels and aircraft. (However, a separate 'Ships' Stores' collection is made and details are shown on page 309.)
- (c) Those migrants' and passengers' effects for which a customs entry is not received.
- (d) Those parcel post exports and imports of small value for which customs entries are not received.
- (e) Certain materials for intergovernmental defence projects for which customs entries are not required.
- (f) The value of ores and concentrates exported and imported includes the value of the gold content and the gold content is therefore not included in exports and imports of gold.
- (g) Vessels and aircraft engaged in the transport of passengers or goods between Australia and other countries.
- (h) Vessels and aircraft purchased for use on overseas routes and any subsequent sales made of such vessels and aircraft.
- (i) Fish and other sea products landed abroad directly from the high seas by Australian vessels.

Areas applying

The area to which all overseas trade statistics issued by this Bureau apply is the whole of the Commonwealth of Australia, comprising the States of New South Wales, Victoria, Queensland, South Australia, Western Australia, and Tasmania, the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory. Non-contiguous territories under Australian administration are treated as outside countries and trade transactions between Australia and those non-contiguous territories are part of the overseas trade of Australia. Such transactions are shown separately, i.e. the trade of Australia with each particular area is separately recorded and tabulated.

Period covered by statistics

Exports and imports are recorded statistically in the month in which the entries are passed by the Department of Customs and Excise. Normally this is within a few days of loading or discharge of cargo, although delays sometimes occur in the lodging of entries and shipments are at times delayed by abnormal factors affecting sales deliveries for exports and loading of ships. Because of the distances involved entries from outlying ports are terminated on the 21st of the month. Exports shipped by container from the terminal ports of Sydney, Melbourne and Fremantle are recorded in the same manner as other exports. Entries at the feeder ports of Brisbane and Adelaide are lodged prior to the movement of containers to terminal ports.

Year of compilation. Since July 1914, detailed trade statistics have been compiled for financial years (July to June). Prior to that details were compiled on a calendar year basis.

Valuation

Commencing with the Bureau publications issued at the close of 1965 values in overseas trade statistics have been expressed in A. Prior to this values were expressed in \pounds (Aust.) except for imports into Australia which, up until 15 November 1947, were recorded in British currency values. Full explanatory notes on the methods of recording import values before and since 15 November 1947 were included in Year Book No. 37, page 396.

All values in overseas trade statistics are determined on a 'free on board (f.o.b.) port of shipment' basis. This means that all charges (in particular the cost of freight and insurance) incurred after the goods have been exported from the port of shipment are excluded. Only transport and service charges incurred, or usually incurred, prior to export are included in the determination of trade values.

The procedure adopted to value exports and imports is as follows.

Exports. The recorded value of goods exported includes the cost of containers and outside packages and has been determined, since July 1937, as follows.

(a) Goods sold to overseas buyers before export are valued at the Australian f.o.b. port of shipment equivalent of the actual price at which the goods were sold.

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- (b) Goods shipped on consignment are valued at the Australian f.o.b. port of shipment equivalent of the price paid for similar goods of Australian origin in the principal markets of the country to which they are dispatched for sale.
- An account of the bases of valuation in operation prior to July 1937 is given on page 396 of Year Book No. 37.
- *Imports.* The recorded value of goods imported is the amount on which duty is payable or would be payable if the duty were *ad valorem.* Value for duty of any goods shall be the sum of the following:
 - (a) (i) the actual money price paid or to be paid for the goods by the Australian importer plus any special deduction ('special deduction' is defined as any discount or other deduction allowed to the Australian importer which would not ordinarily have been allowed to any and every purchaser at the date of exportation of an equal quantity of identically similar goods); or
 - (ii) the current domestic value of the goods ('current domestic value' is defined as the amount for which the seller of the goods to the purchaser in Australia is selling or would be prepared to sell for cash, at the date of exportation of those goods, the same quantity of identically similar goods to any and every purchaser in the country of export for consumption in that country); whichever is the higher; and
 - (b) all charges payable or ordinarily payable for placing the goods free on board at the port of export.
- In the case of goods consigned for sale in Australia the 'Value for duty' shall be the amount which would be the value for duty if the goods were, at the date of exportation, sold to an Australian importer instead of being consigned for sale in Australia.
- Leasing arrangements. The recorded value of goods exported, or imported under leasing arrangements is defined as the free on board value, i.e. not the value of the lease receipts or payment. However, for balance of payments purposes, large items of equipment under lease are normally excluded from export and import figures and, therefore, from the balance of trade since no change of ownership has occurred.

Quantity data

Where quantities are shown they are generally, but not invariably, expressed in terms of the normal trade unit. Where 'cental' is used, the unit is equivalent to 100 lb avoirdupois. Quantities are not tabulated in respect of statistical items for which there is no appropriate unit of quantity (for example, a statistical item which covers a number of commodities that cannot be recorded under a uniform unit of quantity).

Statistical concepts of trade

Trade systems. There are two generally accepted systems of recording overseas trade statistics, namely (a) special trade and (b) general trade. The Statistical Office of the United Nations defines the two systems as follows.

System of Trade. Two systems of recording trade are in common use, differing mainly in the way warehoused and re-exported goods are recorded.

- (a) Special Trade. Special imports are the combined total of imports directly for domestic consumption (including transformation and repair) and withdrawals from bonded warehouses or free zones for domestic consumption. Special exports comprise exports of national merchandise, namely, goods wholly or partly produced or manufactured in the country, together with exports of nationalised goods. (Nationalised goods are goods which, having been included in special imports, are then exported without transformation.)
- (b) General Trade. General imports are the combined total of imports directly for domestic consumption and imports into bonded warehouse or free zone. General exports are the combined total of national exports and re-exports. Re-exports, in the general trade system, consist of the outward movement of nationalised goods plus goods which, after importation, move outward from bonded warehouse or free zone without having been transformed.
- Direct transit trade, i.e. goods merely being transhipped or moving through the country for purposes of transport only, is excluded from the statistics of both special and general trade.'

Statistics in this volume are compiled on the 'general trade' basis; imports on a 'special trade' basis are published in the bulletin *Imports Cleared for Home Consumption*, issued annually.

Australian produce (national produce) is defined as goods, materials or articles which have been produced, manufactured or partly manufactured in Australia, except goods which were originally imported and have undergone only repair or minor operations which leave them essentially unchanged. Re-exports are defined as goods, materials or articles originally imported which are exported either in the same condition in which they were imported, or after undergoing repair or minor operations which leave them essentially unchanged. 'Minor operations' include blending, packaging, bottling, cleaning, sorting, husking, and shelling.

Merchandise and non-merchandise trade. Total trade is divided into merchandise and nonmerchandise trade. Merchandise trade is the equivalent of total exports and imports less certain items specified as non-merchandise. Since July 1965 merchandise and non-merchandise trade have been defined in accordance with international standards recommended by the United Nations. A complete description of the commodities included is contained in the Australian Export and Import Commodity Classifications published by the Bureau of Census and Statistics.

Balance of trade. Statistics of the balance of trade for balance of payments purposes are derived by making certain adjustments, relating both to scope and valuation to statistics of merchandise exports and imports. Statistics on the adjusted basis are published in statistical bulletins relating to the balance of payments. The adjustments include the following: imports are adjusted for the overall excess of recorded value for duty over the actual selling price to the importer; exports and imports of goods for repair and return, and the value of repairs are deducted from merchandise trade; exports and imports of ships and aircraft for use on overseas routes, certain imports of defence equipment, and other trade items for which customs entries are not required are added. Adjustments are also made for timing differences between the change of ownership and the lodgment of import entries in the case of certain large items of equipment (e.g. warships).

The balance of trade is derived by comparing statistics of exports on a balance of payments basis with statistics of imports on that basis.

Balance of payments

Estimates of the balance of trade do not, however, measure Australia's total balance of payments which includes other transactions such as freight and insurance charges on imports, shipping expenditure in Australian ports, overseas travel, payments of profits and interest, and private and government borrowing overseas.

Country of consignment or origin

'Country of consignment' referred to in exports tables means the country to which goods were consigned at the time of export. Where the country of consignment is not determined at the time of export the goods are recorded as exported 'For orders'. 'Country of origin' referred to in import tables means the country of production. Classification of imports according to country of shipment was discontinued after the year 1920-21. A brief account of the dual system of import classification by country operating prior to the year 1921-22 is given on page 500 of Year Book No. 51.

Throughout this chapter, countries listed are shown in alphabetical order.

Commodity classifications

From July 1965 imports have been classified according to the Australian Import Commodity Classification and from July 1966 exports have been classified according to the Australian Export Commodity Classification. Prior to those years the statistics were based on the Statistical Classification of Exports and Imports. The new classifications are based on the Standard International Trade Classification, Revised (S.I.T.C.), which is closely related to the Brussels Tariff Nomenclature used in the Australian Customs Tariff introduced in July 1965.

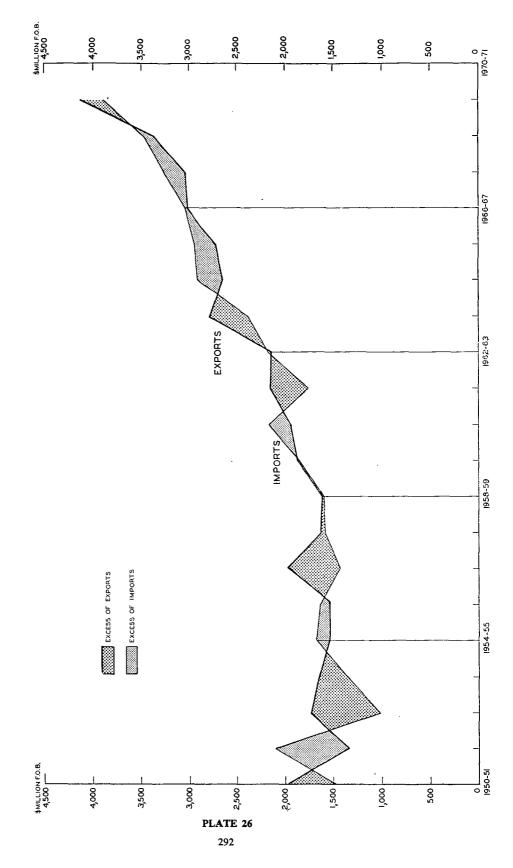
Pre-federation records

In the years preceding federation each State recorded its trade independently and in so doing did not distinguish other Australian States from external countries. The aggregation of the records of the several States is necessarily the only available means of ascertaining the trade of Australia for comparison with later years, but the results obtained are subject to error, since past records of values and the direction of exports and imports were not on uniform lines. Exports and imports for years prior to federation may be found in early issues of the Year Book, particularly Year Book No. 2. On the introduction of the *Customs Act* 1901 the methods of recording values were made uniform throughout the States.

Total overseas trade

The following table shows the total trade of Australia with overseas countries from 1901 to 1969–70. The period 1901 to 1965–66 has been divided into five-year periods, and the figures shown represent the annual averages for the periods specified. Figures for the individual years were published in earlier issues, but figures for imports in issues prior to No. 37 were expressed in British currency.





TOTAL OVERSEAS TRADE

OVERSEAS TRADE: AUSTRALIA, 1901 TO 1969-70

(f.o.b.)

					Excess of exports (+) or imports	Value per head of population		
Period			Exports	Imports	(-)	Exports	Imports	
Annual average-		-	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$	\$	
1901 to 1905 .			102	71	+ 31	26.2	18.2	
1906 to 1910	•		(a)139	94	+ 45	32.6	22.0	
1911 to 1915-16 .			149	133	+ 16.	30.8	27.6	
1916-17 to 1920-21			230	183	+ 47	43.8	34.8	
1921-22 to 1925-26			269	249	+ 20	45.8	42.2	
1926-27 to 1930-31			263	239	+ 24	41.0	37.2	
1931-32 to 1935-36			242	148	+ 94	36.2	22.2	
1936-37 to 1940-41			315	247	+ 68	45.4	35.6	
1941-42 to 1945-46			328	423	- 95	44.8	58.2	
1946-47 to 1950-51			1,143	899	+244	145.4	114.3	
1951-52 to 1955-56			1,572	1,566	+ 6	176.4	175.6	
1956-57 to 1960-61		•	1,811	1,729	+ 82	182.0	173.7	
1961-62 to 1965-66			2,492	2,430	+ 62	224.8	218.6	
Year-			,					
196061			1,938	2,175	-237	186.5	209.3	
1961–62			2,155	1,769	+ 385	202.4	166.2	
1962-63			2,152	2,163	- 11	198.5	199.4	
1963-64			2,782	2,373	+410	251.6	214.5	
1964-65	٠		2,651	2,905	-253	235.1	257.5	
1965–66			2,721	2,939	-218	236.6	255.6	
1966–67			3,024	3,045	- 21	258.3	260.1	
1967–68			3,045	3,264	- 220	255.3	273.7	
1968–69			3,374	3,469	- 94	277.2	285.0	
1969–70		•	4,132	3,881	+250	332.0	312.1	

(a) Prior to 1906, ships' stores were included in exports. For value of such goods loaded on overseas vessels and aircraft during each of the years 1967-68 to 1969-70, see page 309.

Plate 26 opposite shows the overseas trade to Australia from 1949-50 to 1969-70.

The following table shows particulars of merchandise and non-merchandise trade for each of the years 1965-66 to 1969-70.

MERCHANDISE AND NON-MERCHANDISE TRADE: AUSTRALIA, 1965-66 TO 1969-70 (\$'000 f.o.b.)

EXPORTS

			Merchandis	e		Non-mercha	andise		
Year			Australian produce	Re-exports	Total	Australian produce	Re-exports	Total	Total
1965-66		· .	2.578.184	55,348	2.633.532	59,913	27,508	87,421	2,720,953
1966-67			2,872,396	62,176	2,934,572	63,827	25,498	89,325	3,023,897
1967-68			2,861,812	73.388	2,935,200	73,344	36,132	109,476	3,044,675
196869			3,156,231	84.054	3,240,283	88,848	45,131	133,980	3,374,263
1969-70			3,863,038	131,090	3,994,128	97,146	40,269	137,415	4,131,543

IMPORTS

Year		Merchandise	Non- merchandise	Total
1965-66		2,898,280	41,212	2,939,492
1966-67		3.003.973	41,368	3,045,341
1967–68		3,215,003	49,470	3,264,473
1 96 869		3,423,276	45,229	3,468,505
1969-70		3,822,623	58,604	3,881,227

Classified summary of Australian overseas trade

The following table shows exports and imports according to divisions of the Australian Export and Import Commodity Classifications (based on the Standard International Trade Classification) during each of the years 1967-68 to 1969-70.

EXPORTS AND IMPORTS: DIVISIONS OF THE AUSTRALIAN EXPORT AND IMPORT COMMODITY CLASSIFICATIONS, 1967-68 TO 1969-70

(\$'000 f.o.b.)

Divisio		Exports			Imports		
No.	n Description	196768	1968–6 9	1969-70	1967-68	196869	1969-70
00	Live animals	5,891	5,444	7,358	2,745	2,681	4,355
01	Meat and meat preparations	279,155	285,800	417,909	957	1,044	2,288
02	Dairy products and eggs	92,855 34,000	79,473 37,025	102,254	3,817	4,506 30,677	5,757 33,368
03 M4	Fish and fish preparations Cereals and cereal preparations .	419 087	351 400	39,107 431,792	27,463 3,790 19,268	6,332	4,747
04 05	Fruit and vegetables	419,087 110,780	351,400 96,757	94,102	19,268	21,311	23,855
)6	Sugar, preparations, honey	104,972	129,753	121,848	2,495	2,606	3,004
07	Coffee, tea, cocoa, and spices	2,915	2,867	4,240	46,334	49,288	51,396
08 09	Feeding stuff for animals	6,383	8,314	12,406	8,176	6,502	6,882
11	Miscellaneous food preparations . Beverages	2,949 7,535	3,420 7,363	3,500 7.623	2,051	2,853 15,464	4,199 16,469
12	Tobacco and tobacco manufactures	2,623	2,374	2,982	13,457 22,460	28,362	31,975
21	Hides, skins and fur skins, undressed	64,159	77,342	89,922	2,426	2,822	1,664
21 22 23	Oil seeds, oil nuts and oil kernels Crude rubber (including synthetic and	837	1,663	1,094	9,495	7,356	9,897
• •	reclaimed)	465	768	806	24,482	27,837	30,111
24	Wood, timber and cork	3,753 227	3,609 370	4,397 411	41,506	47,585	53,077 36,550
25	Pulp and waste paper	718,516	800,420	768,802	25,145 31,812	26,410 33,101	33,815
24 25 26 27	Crude fertilisers and minerals (see also Divisions 32 and 33)	-	•	9,524	71,008	66,054	60,989
28 29	Metalliferous ores and metal scrap . Crude animal and vegetable materials,	3,640 242,574	5,361 340,372	506,567	5,956	5,109	7,877
	n.e.s	11,442	10,659	14,636	11,999	12,146	13,265
32	Coal, coke, and briquettes	88,594	119,142	172,414 27,722	356	581	804
33 34	Petroleum and petroleum products . Petroleum gases and other gaseous	33,224	26,426		240,600	251,185	254,390
41	hydrocarbons	106 10,794	112 12,118	193 24,836	45 1,158	31 777	45 893
42	Fixed vegetable oils and fats	10,794	97	100	10,833	10,523	12,532
43	Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes, processed	827	738	913	1,713	2,161	2,174
51	Chemical elements and compounds .	57,711	84,763 [.]	94,155	100,195	108,508	117,454
52	Mineral tar and crude chemicals from coal, petroleum and natural gas	397	270	256	2,349	1,786	2,162
53 54	Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials Medicinal and pharmaceutical	5,280 13,294	8,410 15,864	8,472 18,383	17,934	19,046	22,364 51,220
55	Essential oils and perfume materials; toilet and cleansing preparations	4,345	4,580	6,104	38,011 12,804	39,803 14,289	-
56	Fertilisers, manufactured	161	177	844	12,092	11,589	16,505 7,209
57	Explosives and pyrotechnic products	2,348	2,267	2,436	7,027	4,586	4,922
58 59	Plastic materials, regenerated cellulose and artificial resins	5,379	6,201	6,802	76,096	80,342	91,161
61	Chemical materials, n.e.s. Leather, leather manufactures, n.e.s. and dressed fur skins	15,399	19,346 6,500	23,537	42,496	48,252	49,726 7,332
62 63	Rubber manufactures, n.e.s. Wood and cork manufactures (ex-	5,512 5,055	7,606	5,652 12,127	6,056 39,587	6,145 37,040	41,995
	cluding furniture)	1,959	2,817	2,559	12,931	14,373	15,391 107,799 287,324
64	Paper, paperboard and manufactures	9,235	10,534	12,080	12,931 93,354	99,689	107,799
65 66	Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles Non-metallic mineral manufactures,	12,146	15,882	18,909	248,069	263,400	
67	n.e.s	18,002 91,835	25,124 110,402	27,042	57,691	65,772	18,20/
68	Non-ferrous metals	149,898	181,069	135,707 284,112	86,921 24,246	95,848 26,088	78,267 95,286 24,515
69	Manufactures of metal, n.e.s.	29 524	31.380	42,466	75.416	79.286	94,650
71 72	Machinery, other than electric .	57,960 25,564	65,895	89,804	586,474	603.839	708,828
72	Electrical machinery and apparatus .	25,564	65,895 26,940	36,927	586,474 207,781	215,262 508,729	251,367
73 81	Transport equipment Sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fortures and fittings	73,665	89,214	153,071	455,870		567,490
82	lighting fixtures and fittings . Furniture	1,423 1,275	1,431 1,297	1,769 1,355	4,048 3,614	4,648 4,911	5,664 5,463
83	Travel goods, handbags, etc.	1,273	1,297	293	4,748	5,052	5,740
84	Clothing and accessories; articles of knitted or crocheted fabric	5,537	7,488	9,030	25,657	29,813	34,385
85 86	Footwear, gaiters and similar articles Professional, scientific and controlling instruments; photographic and	512	484	761	8,775	10,660	15,481
20	optical goods, watches and clocks.	13,922	17,382	20,106	92,173	100,950	120,711
89 9(A)	Manufactured articles, n.e.s.	20,246	20,661	23,765	130,498	142,100	162,218
7(A)	Commodities and transactions not classified according to kind	58,949	66,943	88,143	110,542	116,165	123,611
	Total merchandise	2,935,200	3,240,28 3	3,994,128	3,215,003	3,423,276	3,822,623
(B)	Non-merchandise	109,476	133,980	137,415	49,470	45,229	58,604
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Exports of principal articles of Australian produce

EXPORTS OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES OF AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE, 1967-68 TO 1969-70

		Quantity			Value (\$'0	00 f.o.b.)	
Article		1967-68	196869	1969-70	196768	1968 69	1969-70
Meat, fresh, chilled or frozen-							
Of bovine animals	'000 lb	564,250	564,547	722,901	198.630	211.012	292,128
Of sheep, lambs and goats	· ,,	254,477	234,349	394 159	49,984	45,711	81,74
Meat, canned or bottled	,	45,647	36,628	37.715	12,676	10,062	10 319
Sausage casings (natural)	".				5,494	5,350	8,21
Other meat (incl. poultry, game, rabbits)				17,843	19,006	33,695
Milk and cream	'000 lb	149.863	153.987	199.754	21,961	18,974	22.51
Butter	**	172,453	165,501		46,976	40,523	52,459
Cheese	• • • •	76,036	56,096		17,933	13,872	19,570
Fish (incl. shell fish) fresh or preserved by		,	,-,-	20,051	11,200	10,012	
cold process		21,386	20,725	25,004	30,983	34,301	36,502
Wheat	1005	6,395,852	4,813,574		342,767	258,334	337,570
Barley, unprepared	,	127,246	443,551	621.348	6,569	18.246	22,718
Oats	•••	179,152	328,096		8,407	13,042	7,559
Flour (wheaten), plain white	'0000 IB	760,454			23,534	21,807	21,18
Fruit. dried—	000	700,404	077,175	057,000	23,334	21,007	21,10.
Grapes ,		151,131	137,776	97,268	20,775	19,513	14,36
	,,	8,028	5,401			2,087	1,717
All other	,,	425.328	311.061	4,828 293,417	2,015		
Fruit, canned or bottled	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	1.597.235			50,661	37,842	37,230
Sugar, the produce of cane			2,029,177		97,582	122,214	116,120
Wine	gallons	1,844,623	1,803,786	1,294,786	3,165	3,399	2,91
Hides and skins—	'000 Ib	112.067	110.000	1 4 2 0 7 0		10 000	
Calf, cattle and horse			119,866		14,685	17.592	21,917
Sheep and lamb (excl. pieces)	2000	30,989	30,565	35,555	46,127	55,853	64,091
Timber, wood in the rough, shaped or		10 070	1		2.0.0		
simply worked	super ft	18,278	17,622	24,834	3,069	3,026	4,121
Wool-							
Greasy	'000 lb	1,390,319	1,467,938	1,569,546	643,275	717,014	683,54
Scoured or washed, carbonised, tops	•						
noils and waste	,,	123,587	118,228	118,931	72,456	78,493	77,498
Iron ore concentrates (except roasted iror	1						
pyrites)	tons	12,325,812	20,071,987	33,244,279	103,070	179,515	277,810
Copper ores and concentrates	,.	47,256	41,073	64,082	10,098	9,769	14,620
Lead ores and concentrates	,.	113,498	111,145		22,047	21,605	23,320
Zinc ores and concentrates	,,	311,437	334,817	430,216	21,305	22,235	30,503
Titanium and zirconium concentrates .	,,	920,767	1,077,300	1,276,133	35,316	40,025	49,629
Coal	,,	10,206,765	13,814,749	17,344,788	85,150	117,103	164,330
Petroleum and petroleum products					32,976	26,240	27,42
Tallow, inedible	cwt	1,654,071	2,035,529	3.019.497	8,644	9,482	20.45
Leather (excl. leather manufactures)				<i>, ,</i> , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	5,027	5,791	4,520
Lead and lead alloys, unworked	cwt	5,224,428	4,919,311	6,670,659	62,895	65,523	105.95
Copper and copper alloys	,,	578,925	969,743		33,104	53,420	91.03
Zinc and zinc alloys	,	1,782,718			20.877	27,291	38.73
Machinery and transport equipment				•••	104,673	125,126	207.23
Drugs and chemicals					83,872	117.839	132.94
Paper, pulp and stationery		••	••	••	13,786	15.310	17.74
Motor vehicles (new, assembled)	No	7,549	7.202	13.255	12,015	11,828	21.37
All other articles		,,,,,,,	,202	,	542,734	629,704	762,86
	•••	••	••	••	542,154	022,104	102,00
Total, Australian produce .					2,935,156	3,245,079	3,960,18
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Exports, by industrial group

The following table provides an analysis of Australian exports for the years 1967–68 to 1969–70. This analysis is designed to show fluctuations in exports of Australian produce dissected according to the main industry of their origin, although any such classification is necessarily somewhat conventional.

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EXPORTS OF AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE, BY INDUSTRIAL GROUP 1967–68 TO 1969–70

The items enumerated indicate how arbitrary is the line necessarily drawn between primary produce and manufactures in any classification of this kind. The value of processed primary products exported includes some element of value added by the simpler processes of manufacture, while the value shown for manufactures exported necessarily includes the value of raw materials (primary produce) used in those manufactures.

Imports of merchandise, by economic class

The following table shows imports of merchandise into Australia during the years 1967-68 to 1969-70 classified according to economic classes of (i) purpose and (ii) degree of manufacture.

IMPORTS OF MERCHANDISE, BY ECONOMIC CLASS: AUSTRALIA 1967-68 TO 1969-70

	Value (\$'(000 f.o.b.)			n of value oj ndise (per c	
	1967–68	1968-69	1969-70	196768	1968-69	1969-70
	PI	JRPOSE				
Producers' materials for use in-						
Building and construction Rural industries	99,887 59,132	131,369 55,631	132,651 51,124	3.1 1.8	3.9 1.6	3.5
Manufacturing-	57,152	55,051	51,124	1.0	1.0	1.2
Motor vehicle assembly(a).	220,842	235,990	288,070	6.9	6.9	7.5
Other(b)	1,132,178	1,175,519	1,257,031	35.2	34.4	32.9
Total, producers' materials(b) .	1,512,040	1,598,509	1,728,876	47.0	46.8	45.2
Capital equipment(c)						
Producers' equipment .	699,475	723,851	858,196	21.8	21.1	22.4
Transport equipment— Complete road vehicles and as-		,				
sembled chassis	89.021	108,779	121,324	2.8	3.2	3.2
Railway equipment, vessels and		,	,			212
civil aircraft .	101,469	73,262	108,499	3.1	2.0	2.8
Total, capital equipment	889,965	905,892	1,088,019	27.7	. 26.3	28.4
Finished consumer goods—					•	
Food, beverages and tobacco	113,600	126,777	142,879	3.5	3.7	. 3.8
Clothing and accessories	30,967	35,468	45,382	1.0	1.1	1.2
All other(d)	433,071	463,303	578,359	13.5	13.5	15.1
Total, finished consumer goods(d)	577,638	625,548	766,620	18.0	18.3	20.1
Fuels and lubricants(e)	27,030	33,388	47,905	0.8	1.0	1.3
Auxiliary aids to production (f) .	83,098	85,800	95,875	2.6	2.5	2.5
Munitions and war stores	125,232	174,139	95,328	3.9	5.1	2.5
Grand total	3,215, 003	3,423,276	3,822,623	100.0	100.0	100.0
DEC	GREE OF	MANUFA	CTURE(g)			
Producers' materials—		·····				
Crude	419,516	423,590	415,145	13.0	12.4	10.9
Simply transformed	220,866	231,376	272,213	6.9	6.8	7.2
Elaborately transformed	871,658	943,543	1,041,518	27.1	27.6	27.2
Finished consumer goods—	01.01	20.010	24.107	~ ~		
Crude	26,562	32,912	34,106	0.8	1.0	0.9
Simply transformed Elaborately transformed	44,367 506,709	48,046 544,590	47,784 684,730	1.4 15.8	1.4 15.9	1.2 17.9
Total imports—	500,709	544,590	004,730	15.0	13.9	17.9
Crude	446,078	456,502	449,251	13.9	13.4	11.8
Simply transformed	343,949	368,043	429,473	10.7	10.8	11.2
Elaborately transformed	2,424,976	2,598,731	2,943,899	75.4	75.8	77.0
Grand total	3,215,003	3,423,276	3,822,623	100.0	100.0	100.0

(a) Owing to insufficient information, it is not possible to treat unassembled tractors and other machinery in a similar manner to motor vehicles, and all such machinery and replacement parts therefor are treated as capital equipment whether imported in an assembled or unassembled condition. (b) Excludes a percentage for piece goods to be sold at retail, and production, respectively. (c) See footnote (a). (d) Includes a percentage for piece goods to be sold at retail; see footnote (b). (c) Excludes a percentage for piece goods to be sold at retail; see footnote (b). (c) Excludes a percentage for piece goods to be sold at retail; see footnote (b). (c) Excludes a percentage for piece goods to be sold at retail; see footnote (b). (c) Excludes a percentage for piece goods to be sold at retail; see (for includes a percentage for piece goods to be sold at retail; see footnote (b). (c) Excludes a percentage for piece goods to be sold at retail; see (for includes a percentage for piece goods to be sold at retail; see (for page) to be used solely for wrapping; see footnote (b). (c) The class Fuels and lubricants consists of goods 'simply transformed', and the classes Capital equipment and Munitions and war stores entirely of goods 'more elaborately transformed'. The class Auxiliary aids to production is about equally divided between goods 'simply transformed'.

Direction of Overseas Trade

Exports and imports, by country of consignment or of origin

The following two tables show the value and percentage of Australian exports and imports during each of the years 1949–50, 1959–60 and 1969–70 according to principal country of consignment or origin. The proportions of Australian exports and imports by country of origin or consignment are shown graphically on plate 27 on page 306.

AUSTRALIAN EXPORTS AND IMPORTS, VALUE BY COUNTRY OF CONSIGNMENT OR ORIGIN, 1949-50, 1959-60, 1969-70

(\$'000 f.o.b.)

	Exports			Imports		
Country	1949-50	1959–60	196970	1949-50	1959–60	1969–70
Austria	1,678	3,822	1,736	1,005	6,216	9,256
Belgium-Luxembourg	54,983	48,592	42,863	7,178	16,940	29,120
Brunei	(a)	(a)	8,700	(a)	(a)	14,452
Canada	18.095	27,810	112,773	26,551	59,306	151,03
Ceylon	12,141	15,422	14,718	17,873	22,476	11,32
China (mainland)	1,005	32,264	125,815	2,903	8,838	32,08
China, Republic of (Taiwan)		2,706	29,912	• • •	216	15,86
Czechoslovakia	6,170	16,776	8,745	8,742	5,148	7.610
Denmark	5.230	2,254	4,060	670	3.880	10,97
Fiji	4.837	10,228	19,894	138	2,778	5,010
Finland	2,946	576	4,296	2.716	7.844	17.724
France	81,322	120,650	114,640	21,289	27,486	70.05
Germany, Federal Republic of	(a)	76,666	115,557	(a)	107,738	258,27
Hong Kong	13,697	18,548	84.718	1.399	10,322	54.02
India	74.068	32,808	40,237	55,328	36,360	31,83
Indonesia	1,013	6.442	35,266	29,499	58,876	48,88
Iran	3.547	7.240	14,794	22,337	25,332	12,770
Iraq	354	13,620	3,947	404		10.89
Italy	38,811	93,148	105,961	18.116	26.022	77,37
Japan	47,949	269,348	1,021,446	13,998	83,066	481,20
Korea, Republic of	(a)	7,984	12,371	(a)	2	2,18
Kuwait	(a) (a)	1,402	9,084	(a)	14,236	45,66
Malaysia	(a)	(a)	68,525	(a)	(<i>a</i>)	34,92
Mexico	3.608	6,418	12,975	13	4,146	5,92
Nauru	724	2,008	4,035	2,527	3,992	15,46
Netherlands	17,757	11.712	71,542	6,406	37,364	59,98
New Zealand	42.570	108.686	198.872	9,913	31,744	86,43
Norway.	2,749	1.116	6,201	6,200	7,932	10,22
Pakistan	724	10,054	16,394	2,456	6.760	18.95
Papua and New Guinea	11.341	32,602	147.298	5,266	17,280	21.63
Philippines	1,308	9,836	55,890	137	538	4,29
Poland	26,338	21,716	20,108	342	506	2,98
Saudi Arabia	(a)	1,736	10,385	(a)	12,486	42.09
Singapore	16,143	21,896	98,469	14.616	3,120	14.03
South Africa	5,664	16,262	64,860	7,279	14,572	
Spain		256		,		21,63
Sweden	4,095		18,136	791	[⊿] .290	13,11
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	3,133	3,894	3,456	5,516	23,908	59,00
Thailand	1,459	4,756	29,117	166	842	2,68
	475,052	494,642	488,230	557,496	660,604	845,34
United States of America	99,288	151,858	556,431	84,497	309,062	965,24
U.S.S.R	22,375	25,160	51,438	1,411	1,050	3,47
Yugoslavia	4,080	7,936	17,062	29	102	88
Other countries	111,052	118,598	243,920	103,228	169,060	179,56
'For Orders' and Country of origin or destination unknown		11,624	7,031	(b)22,193	1,598	16,57
Total	1,227,393	1,875,364	-	1,076,138	1,854,182	3,881,22

(a) Comparable figures not available. (b) Includes 'Outside packages' valued at \$21,741,000.

DIRECTION OF OVERSEAS TRADE

			(P	er cent)			_	
			Exports			Imports		
Country	-		1949-50	195960	196 9 –70	1949-50	1959-60	1969–70
Austria			0.14	0.20	0.04	0.09	0.34	0.24
Belgium-Luxembourg	•		4.48	2.59	1.04	0.67	0.91	0.75
Brunei .		• •	(a)	(a)	0.21	(a)	(a)	0.37
Canada	•		1.47	1.48	2.73	2.47	3.20	3.89
Ceylon	•	• •	0.99	0.82	0.36	1.66	1.21	0.29
China (mainland) .	• .	• •	0.08	1.72	3.05	0.27	0.48	0.84
China, Republic of (Taiv	wan)	• •	••	0.14	0.72	••	0.01	0.41
Czechoslovakia	•		0.50	0.89	0.21	0.81	0.28	0.20
Denmark .	•	· ·	0.43	0.12	0.10	0.06	0.21	0.28
Fiji	•		0.39	0.55	0.48	0.01	0.15	0.13
Finland	•	• •	0.24	0.03	0.10	0.25	0.42	0.46
France .	. :.	· ·	6.63	6.43	2.77	1.98	1.48	1.80
Germany, Federal Repu	blic of	ſ.	(a)	4.09	2.80	(a)	5.81	6.65
Hong Kong	•		1.12	0.99	2.05	0.13	0.56	1.39
India	•	• •	6.03	1.75	0.97	5.14	1.96	0.82
Indonesia	•	• •	0.08	0.34	0.85	2.74	3.18	1.26
Iran	•	• •	0.29	0.39	0.36	2.08	1.37	0.33
Iraq	•	• •	0.03	0.73	0.10	0.04	0.03	0.28
Italy	•	• •	3.16	4.97	2.56	1.68	1.40	2.00
Japan	•		3.91	14.36	24.72	1.30	4.48	12.40
Korea, Republic of	•	· ·	(a)	0.43	0.30	(a)	0.00	0.06
Kuwait	•	• •	(a)	0.07	0.22	(a)	0.77	1.18
Malaysia	•		(a)	(a)	1.66	(a)	(a)	0.90
Mexico	•	• •	0.29	0.34	0.32	0.00	0.22	0.15
Nauru	•	• . •	0.06	0.11	0.10	0.23	0.22	0.40
Netherlands	•	• •	1.45	0.62	1.73	0.60	2.02	1.54
New Zealand .	•	• •	3.47	5.80	4.81	0.92	1.71	2.23
Norway	•	• •	0.22	0.06	0.15	0.58	0.43	0.26
Pakistan .	•	• •	0.06	0.54	0.40	0.23	0.36	0.49
Papua and New Guinea	•	• •	0.92	1.74	3.57	0.49	0.93	0.55
Philippines	•	• •	0.11	0.52	1.35	0.01	0.03	0.11
Poland	•	• •	2.15	1.16	0.49	0.03	0.03	0.08
Saudi Arabia	•	• •	(a)	0.09	0.25	(a)	0.67	1.08
Singapore	•	• . •	1.32	1.17	2.38	1.36	0.17	0.36
South Africa	•	• •	0.46	0.87	1.57	0.68	0.79	0.56
Spain	.•	• •	0.33	0.01	0.44	0.07	0.23	0.34
Sweden	. •	• •	0.82	0.23	0.23	1.44	1.54	1.52
Switzerland	•	• •	0.26	0.21	0.08	0.51	1.29	1.52
Thailand	•	• •	0.12	0.25	0.71	0.02	0.05	0.07
United Kingdom .	•	• •	38.70	26.38	11.82	51.81	35.63	21.78
United States of America	a	• •	8.09	8.10	13.47	7.85	16.18	24.87
U.S.S.R	•	• •	1.82	1.34	1.25	0.13	0.06	0.09
Yugoslavia .	•	• •	0.33	0.42	0.41	0.00	0.01	0.02
Other Countries .	•	• •	9.05	6.33	5.90	9.60	9.09	4.62
'For Orders' and Coun		origin						
or destination unknow	'n	• •	••	0.62	0.17	(b)2.06	0.09	0.43
Total	•	•••	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00

AUSTRALIAN EXPORTS AND IMPORTS, PROPORTIONS, BY COUNTRY OF CONSIGNMENT OR ORIGIN, 1949-50, 1959-60, 1969-70

(Per cent)

(a) Comparable figures not available. (b) Includes 'Outside packages'.

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Exports and Imports, by country of consignment and origin, and by description

The following table shows details of exports to and imports from principal countries, classified according to divisions of the Australian Export and Import Commodity Classifications, for the year 1969-70.

EXPORTS AND IMPORTS BY COUNTRY OF CONSIGNMENT AND ORIGIN: DIVISIONS OF THE AUSTRALIAN EXPORT AND IMPORT COMMODITY CLASSIFICATIONS, 1969-70

(\$'000 f.o.b.)

D		Belgium- Luxembou	rg	Canada		Ceylon	
Division No.	Description	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Import
00	Live animals .	. : :				6	
21	Meat and meat preparations	152		41,948	320	6	
02 03	Dairy products and eggs .	2	8	345	1 412	1,800	•
)4	Fish and fish preparations	58 60	4 17	114	1,413 303	10.271	
55	Fruit and vegetables	323	196	7.480	674	264	:
) 6	Sugar and sugar preparations and honey	4	3	10,186	10	3	
5 7	Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof		5	27	4		10,1
8	Feeding-stuff for animals (except unmilled cereals)			23		92	
09	Miscellaneous preparations chiefly for food	2		2	79	3	
11	Beverages		ii	1,525	118	1	
12	Tobacco and tobacco manufactures	. : :		••	112	••	
21	Hides, skins and fur skins, undressed	144	••	14	67	••	
21 22 23	Oil-seeds, oil nuts and oil kernels	••	872	2	850	••	
23	Crude rubber (including synthetic and reclaimed)	23	· 22	2	676	••	
24	Wood, timber and cork	61	22	3	17,156	••	
24 25 26	Textile fibres and their waste	28.062	579	4.988	10,522	6	3
27	Crude fertilisers and crude minerals (except coal, petroleum	20,002	519	4,900	1,634	0	3.
	and precious stones)	4	· 85	4	13,963	. 3	
28 29	Metalliferous ores and metal scrap	9.449	00	27.818	1.942	ğ	
29	Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.	58	53	463	180	43	
32					20	203	
33	Coal, coke and briquettes Petroleum and petroleum products		59	1	75		1'
34	Petroleum gases and other gaseous hydrocarbons						
41	Animal oils and fats	82		45	1	308	
42	Fixed vegetable oils and fats	••	1		676		
43	Animal and vegetable oils and fats, processed and waxes of					-	
51	animal or vegetable origin		5	45	73	8	
51 52	Chemical elements and compounds .	428	1,157	7,515	2,991	25	
34	Mineral tar and crude chemicals from coal, petroleum and						
53	natural gas		28		329	żi	
53 54	Medicinal and pharmaceutical products	1	422	13 13	354	64	•
55	Essential oils and perfume materials; toilet, polishing and	1	422	. 15	334	04	•
55	cleansing preparations	10	37	4	154	19	1
56	Fertilisers, manufactured		23	3	1.802		
57	Explosives and pyrotechnic products		50	ĩ	107		
58 59	Plastic materials, regenerated cellulose and artificial resins		296	23	4,636	5	
59	Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.	35	255	283	436	33	
61	Leather, leather manufactures, n.e.s., and dressed fur skins.	43	- 51	289	29	42	
62	Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.	3	84	19	482	4	
63	Wood and cork manufactures (except furniture)	9	86	6 27	252	11	•
64	Paper, paperboard and manufactures thereof	'i	892	27	23,130	124	i
65	Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles and related products.	1	3,477	581	4,188	1	1
66 67	Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s	210	5,089	233	721	• 4	4
67 68	Iron and steel	697	365	2,060	4,392	153 325	
69	Manufactures of metal, n.e.s.	2,096	222	22 1,250	3,892	325 140	
71	Machinery (except electric)	105 352	1,154 4,387	. 946	5,611 23,981	252	
72	Electric machinery, apparatus and appliances	61	1,941	541	4,579	89	
73	Transport equipment	23	4,956	524	9,221	91 91	
81	Sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings	• ••	4,550	1	166	4	
82	Furniture		í	î	51	3	
83	Travel goods, handbags and similar articles		3	6	65		
84	Clothing and clothing accessories; articles of knitted or	••	-	· •			
	crocheted fabric	123	25	417	295	9	
85	Footwear, gaiters, and similar articles and parts therefor .		2	15	38		
86	Professional, scientific and controlling instruments; photo-						
	graphic and optical goods, watches and clocks	30	973	861	1,628	4	
89	Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.	66	388	703	1,882	33	
9A	Commodities and transactions of merchandise trade, not						-
	elsewhere classified	13	542	202	4,120	25	2
	Total merchandise	42,772	28,841	111,597	150,402	14.559	11,31
-		72,772	20,071	111,397	150,402	14,009	1,01
9B	Commodities and transactions not included in merchandise trade	91	279	1,176	629	159	
		71	2/7	1,170	027	133	
	Grand total	42,863	29,120	112,773	151.031	14,718	11,32
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EXPORTS AND IMPORTS BY COUNTRY OF CONSIGNMENT AND ORIGIN: DIVISIONS OF THE AUSTRALIAN EXPORT AND IMPORT COMMODITY CLASSIFICATIONS, 1969–70—continued (\$'000 f.o.b.)

	China (mai	nland)	France		Germany, 1 Republic of	Federal	Hong Kon	e	India	
Div No.	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports
00				26			13		63	
21	••	12	2,149	15	379	3	706	••	27	S
02	••	519	1,200	129 28	227 65	270 721	3,657 1,631	260	1,169	1,49
04	118,297	32	122	8	3,416	93	4,670	57	5,803	10
05	2	858	980 6	134 11	6,106 66		1,512	168 42	31 .9	1,913
07		6 129		22		15 147	41 275	26	.9	3,287
08			••	22 38	75	75	201		2	
09	••	57 1	1	24 1,949	3	107 355	84 153	132 8	1 20	2
12	••			91		22 22	110			61
21	152	100	36,064	86	6,369	2	1,187	52	193	57 665
22	••	204	••	421	82	216	32	. 52	••	
01 02 03 04 05 06 07 80 9 11 22 23 24 5 26 27	••			10	<u></u> 80	31	31	170	••	ė
25	•	-:-	es cià	4 67	10 213	1 000		2	10 000	616
26 27	2,674	745	53,643	67	48,347	1,988	9,563	199	19,086	010
		190	4	180	3	101	7	.,		471
28	454	107	7,924	163	18,687 2,642	13	445	128	1,493	404
32	4	1,437	205		2,642	165 112	172	281	.2	. 404
28 29 32 33 34 41	'n	155		136		197	73		'n	265
34	••	••	690	13 3 3		••	<u>39</u>	••		••
41		303	690	3	464	786		25	28	' 'i
42 43		505	••						••	
£ 1	114	433	26	7 3,293	128	49	75	41	1 101	6 688
51 52	••	433	20	3,293	120	13,145	174	41	101	000
	••	••	.,	. • •	•.•	16				
53	••	26	19	257	219	4,943	506	 2 11	220	18
54 55	••	64	148	410	185	7,145	1,005	11	10	156
	••	220	83	1,350 78	23	1,475	802	118	58	103
56 57 55 59 61 263 64 566 67 669 17 23 18 23 88 88 88 88	••	193	••	78 46	114	773		ić	••	••
58	••			2,559	74	85 8,549	271	42	27	••
59	'n	505	90	777	637	3,517	66	100	73	16
61	••	19	47	1,120	150	462	690	.66	10	385
63	••	3 163	23	1,752	19 44	1,975 689	22 3	6 97	2	385 59
64		141	1	396	19	2,274	986	185	50	2
65		16,459	18	4,399	28 1,054 1,695	10,361	1,537 5,173	17,973	4	16,187 424
67	172	1,308 60	353 55	2,425 1,025	1,054	5,419 2,628	5,173	429 12	28 1,005	1,440
68	3,919	136	7,562	348	12,378	1,689	5,979	4	8,041	
69	7	405	295	1,483	316	8,453	826 1,626 2,030	1,068	19	218
71	11	93 90 12	363	11,872 6,606	684	72,033	1,626	420	437 239	1,175 271
73	••	90	125 579	15,830	876 130	25,940 48,173	2,050	1,020 147	865	16
81		25 48		56 37		506	113	477		24
82	••	48	3	37	••	182	38	503		106
83 84	••	170	••	33	••	192	19	1,836	••	15
		2,351	68	827	139	838 629	1,343 21	10,382	•	133
85	••	1,073	••	425	••	629	21	2;022	ii	368
86	1	662	277	1,741	286	13,704	1,439	1,317	10	36
89	1 2	1,831	277 99	1,689	274	8,967	1,160	13,220	41	318
9A										
	3	730	573	4,182	3,045	6,166	500	837	273	360
	125,814	32,072	113,797	68,69 3	114,577	256,661	59,161	53,899	39,459	31,800
9 B	1	10	843	1,366	980	1,614	25,557	123	778	39
	125,815	32,082	114,640	70,059	115,557	258,275	84,718	54,022	40,237	31,839
		04,004	114,040	10,039	110,007		0-1,110	34,022		01,007

EXPORTS AND IMPORTS BY COUNTRY OF CONSIGNMENT AND ORIGIN: DIVISIONS OF THE AUSTRALIAN EXPORT AND IMPORT COMMODITY CLASSIFICATIONS, 1969–70—continued (\$'000 f.o.b.)

n		Indonesia		Italy		Japan	
Division No.	Description	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Import
00	Live animals	11		6		19	
ñ	Meat and meat preparations	117		780	144	31,599	i
12	Dairy products and eggs	1,604		93	761	10,352	
13	Fish and fish preparations	2	'i	228	42	10,113	9,16
4	Cereal grains and cereal preparations	7,052	•:	4,259	107	65,207	15
)4)5)6	Fruit and vegetables	46 4	1	300	1,100 31	1,303 36,605	25 11
	Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof	13	4,577	1	44	1,282	2,91
8	Feeding-stuff for animals (except unmilled cereals)	29	4,577		24	3,844	2,2
19	Miscellaneous preparations chiefly for food	227	1		96	59	12
	Beverages	73		5	749	50	1
2	Tobacco and tobacco manufactures	11	67	17 120	5	15	1
1	Oil-seeds, oil nuts and oil kernels	••	1	17,120	••	11,685 247	1
3	Crude rubber (including synthetic and reclaimed)		••	••		205	1,53
24	Wood, timber and cork	17	156	iģ		224	
21 22 23 24 25 26	Puln and waste namer	19				34	
26	Textile fibres and their waste	144	36	64,411	108	259,128	3,48
	Crude fertilisers and crude minerals (except coal, petroleum	298		•	224	5 064	1,22
20	and precious stones)	13	••	7,534	334	5,964 328,242	1,24
29	Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.	15	61	338	280	2,641	18
32	Coal, coke and briquettes			1,547		155,911	
28 29 32 33 34	Coal, coke and briquettes	78	43,737	2	••	´ 74	1,15
34	Petroleum gases and other gaseous hydrocarbons	1	••		••		
41 42	Animal oils and fats	3	••	146	1	6.329 2	19 55
	Fixed vegetable oils and fats	••	••	••	313	2	53
15	Animal and vegetable oils and fats, processed and waxes of animal or vegetable origin	33				41	1
51	animal or vegetable origin	502		102	718	9.043	15,93
52	Mineral tar and crude chemicals from coal, petroleum and						
	natural gas	.::	••			.::	39
53	Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials	251	4.	73	176	339	64 34
54 55	Medicinal and pharmaceutical products Essential oils and perfume materials; toilet, polishing and	418	4.	43	223	253	.54
55	cleansing preparations .	85	25	40	295	702	19
56	Fertilisers, manufactured	398		-10	243	16	1,20
57	Explosives and pyrotechnic products.	5		47	64	30	21
58	Plastic materials, regenerated cellulose and artificial resins .	35	••		1,087	65	15,92
59 51	Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.	50 14	••	458	49 358	5,033	2,03
52	Leather, leather manufactures, n.e.s., and dressed fur skins . Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.	46	••	44 6	782	156 6	40 7,34
3	Wood and cork manufactures (except furniture)	47	.4	2	560	158	2,0
53 54	Paper, paperboard and manufactures thereof	412		9 3	1,092	165	8,4
55	Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles and related products.	114	12	3	6,492	975	90,0
56	Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s	29		_70	2,070	6,336	16,99
57	Iron and steel	4,006	••	1,746	1,451 59	13,666 41,935	41,70
58	Non-ferrous metals	539 677	••	3,602 234	1,494	41,935	14,4
59 71	Non-ferrous metals Manufactures of metal, n.e.s	2,142	••	835	20,178	1,205	51,30
12	Electric machinery, apparatus and appliances	645	'i	288	4,807	765	36,64
'3	Transport equipment	9,729	2	19	14,028	1,608	91,4
31	Sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings	41		••	518	11	3
32	Furniture	2	••	'i	603	32	80
3 4	Travel goods, handbags and similar articles	••	••	1	393	24	1,5
	crocheted fabric .	1	1	144	1.628	174	2.8
5	Footwear, gaiters, and similar articles and parts therefor	î		11	4,465		1,4
6	Professional, scientific and controlling instruments; photo-	_					
	graphic and optical goods, watches and clocks	231	4	107	2,434	597	15,9
9	Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.	428	6	73	4,648	1,677	25,2
A	Commodities and transactions of merchandise trade, not elsewhere classified	1,654	178	634	1,647	845	9.4
		1,004	1/0	034	1,047	043	9,4
	Total merchandise	32,294	48,875	105,380	76,700	1,018,497	478,5
B	Commodities and transactions not included in merchandise trade .	2,972	7	581	678	2040	24
	trade	2,912		201	0/8	2,949	2,6
	Grand total	35,266	48,882	105,961	77 370	1,021,446	481,20

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DIRECTION OF OVERSEAS TRADE

EXPORTS AND IMPORTS BY COUNTRY OF CONSIGNMENT AND ORIGIN: DIVISIONS OF THE AUSTRALIAN EXPORT AND IMPORT COMMODITY CLASSIFICATIONS, 1969–70—continued (\$'000 f.o.b.)

Div.	Mataysia		Netherland	5	New Zeala	nd	Pakistan		Papua and New Guine	a
No.	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports
00	183			••	708	3,496	39 9	••	225	• ·
)1)2	780 3,948		291	5 553	20 40	267			6,052	••
3	3,948	1,147	33	553 602	40	906 2,612	212	159	1,447	114
4	223 18.028	1,147	10.290	263	1,331	1,738	7.098	159	374 8,432	114
5	1,139	81	2,039	465	4,359	4.067	.,0.3		1,043	1,354
6	4,826			181	4,818	918	41		1,471	• • •
7	564	1,009	1	930	171	108	• :		470	6,783
)8)9	933		4	12 352	83 208	59 61	5		609	••
1	132 150	ر 	'i	69	357	32	17	••	735 1,753	••
2	51	••		3,633	38	28			1,782	j2
-i	94	17	1,419	10	285	113			3	12 213
21 12 23			146	40	61	86	••			3,956
3	'n	15,963	::	385	285	:-	3	••	2	2,841
4		13,043	18	1	982	5,767 6,423	81	••	.98	1,354
24 25 26 27	255 27	19 7	18,806	1,396	2,097	6,423 4,308	2,594	2,776	5 53	••
7	21	1	10,000	1,590	2,097	4,508	2,394	2,770	33	••
	100		507	515	1,173	84		1	175	1
28 29 32 33 34	268	185	14,298	9	185	2,234	6			443
9	90	141	378	280	505	1,637	1	7 i	170	13
2	15		1,730			299	233	••	1 2 2	iċ
13	668	193	••	123	8,562 34	299	1	••	1,239 79	
54 51	807	••	2,951	ʻs	34 7	116	2,877	••	394	••
2		926	-,201	302	49	4			43	58
3		-20					••			
	57	••	4	901	36	40	••	••	17	••
1	1,319	86	202	2,648	5,274	1,452	76	••	322	••
2	4			3	7	1			11	
3	6 415	••	103	420	2,207	87	58	••	401	••
4	682	••	378	910	9,398	858	9	• 5	710	
4		••		2.0						
	381	21	10	573	891	228		1	977	••
6 7	2	••	••	26	157	104		••	57	••
8	4 207	•:	.6	3,586	1,217	193	83	••	303 674	••
9	210	1 7	17 217	853	3,751 2,788	214	13	••	581	125
í	113	,	163	4	197	377	1	352	15	
ż	56	488	16	640	427	531	2		1,419	
3	9	466	13	109	567	540		2	256	2,314
4	1,552		5	1,204	1,427	17,002	57	12	1,994	
5	263	168	26 37	4,234	9,927	8,938	31	13,718	644	3
6 7	349 1,145	1	37	969	1,284 29,771	912 63	14 1,190	1	2,668 4,961	199
8	3,382	347	11,909	88 379	22,298	225	210		477	24
ğ	1.009	15	273	613	6.277 -	1,696	90	95	6,196	4
9 1	5,129	1	358	6,040	12,314	4,002	328	1,059	18,124	128
23	1,507	21	1,144	8,977	8,203	4,640	98	·	5,794	19 11
3	8.711	2	2,667	9,412	32,191	1,236	351	·:2	15.828	
1	198	• :	'i	102	164	255	••	2	470 643	
23	44 2	22		38 5	23 16	334 356	••	1	28	
4	4	2	••	3	10	330	••	3	20	••
	171	1	108	24	332	1,205	9	25 5	867	
5		5		24 23	58	222		5	398	
6							-			
^	193 292	_4	88	1,556	4,312	258	70	121	1,273 2,034	72 48
9 A	292	73	150	2,824	4,884	2,206	50	284	2,034	40
A	1,177	354	150	2,500	2,615	1,268	71	227	35,280	446
	61,868	34.801	70,957	59,792	189,377	84,811	15,951	18,938	130,080	20,552
В	6.657 68,525	121	585	189	9,495 198,872	1,624 86,435	443	15	17,218 147,298	1,079 21,631
		34,922	71,542	59,981			16,394	18,953		

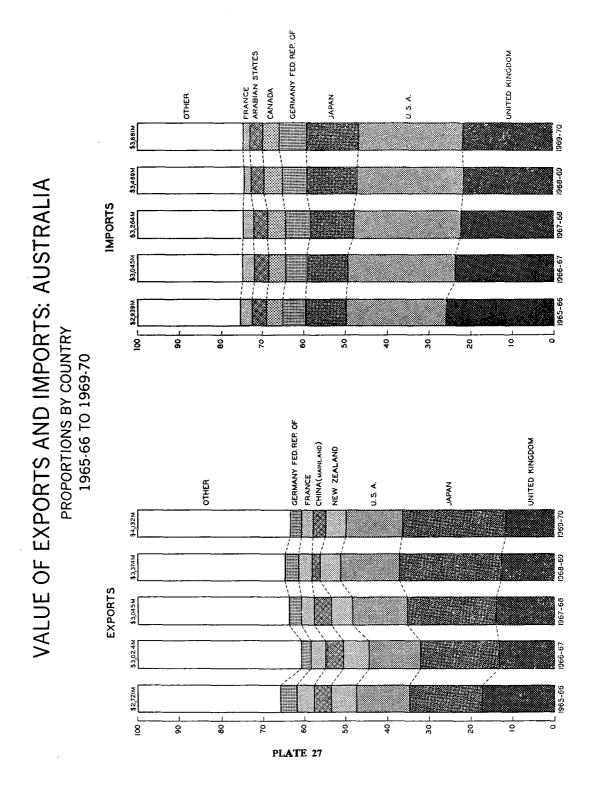
EXPORTS AND IMPORTS BY COUNTRY OF CONSIGNMENT AND ORIGIN: DIVISIONS OF THE AUSTRALIAN EXPORT AND IMPORT COMMODITY CLASSIFICATIONS, 1969–70—continued (\$'000 f.o.b.)

		Philippine	8	Singapore		South Afr	ica
Division No.	Description	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports
00	Live animals	178		1.621		88	
Ŏĭ	Meat and meat preparations	990		3,547		96 77	
02	Dairy products and eggs	4,678		3,277		77	•
03	Fish and fish preparations		3	430	202	849	1,77
)4)5	Cereal grains and cereal preparations	4,938	343	10,516	4 7	578 385	219
04 05 06	Fruit and vegetables	157		5,773 2,737	/	385	215
07	Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof .	••	••	267	96	1	
08	Feeding-stuff for animals (except unmilled cereals) .	1,118		1,921		17	1,20
09	Miscellaneous preparations chiefly for food	22	'i	214	31	. 64	
11	Beverages	4	1	222	1	8	2 20
12	Tobacco and tobacco manufactures . Hides, skins and fur skins, undressed	18	38	104 321	1 11	1.893	2,30
22	Oil-seeds, oil nuts and oil kernels	10	'i	521	2	1,095	72
23	Crude rubber (including synthetic and reclaimed)	104	6	9	22	19	
24	Wood, timber and cork		1,605	10	71	158	
21 22 23 24 25 26 27	Pulp and waste paper	••	· • •	61			
26		531	73	4	••	1,218	15:
27	Crude fertilisers and crude minerals (except coal, petroleum	135				2	4,800
10	and precious stones) Metalliferous ores and metal scrap	39	233	72 119	123	735	4,800
20 20	Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.	39	²³³ 52	162	87	303	14
32 32	Coal, coke and briquettes			4		·	10
33	Petroleum and petroleum products	102	••	9,799	10,221	1,487	34
28 29 32 33 34 41	Petroleum gases and other gaseous hydrocarbons		••		• • •		
41	Animal oils and fats	626	::	374	::	2,931	8
42	Fixed vegetable oils and fats	••	34	••	52	••	76
43	Animal and vegetable oils and fats, processed and waxes of animal or vegetable origin	65		40		15	
51	animal or vegetable origin	147	23	437	150	682	85
51 52	Mineral tar and crude chemicals from coal, petroleum and						
	natural cas	_::		_ 9	111		
53	Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials	702	••	716	1	61	46
54 55	Medicinal and pharmaceutical products	296	••	501	2	1 253	6
22	Essential oils and perfume materials; toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations .	50		440		143	5
56	Fertilisers, manufactured		330		••	145	
57	Explosives and pyrotechnic products.				46	38	
57 58 59 62 63 64 56 66 67 68 91 72	Plastic materials, regenerated cellulose and artificial resins .	198		300	· : 2	275	16
59	Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.	141	34	229	2	. 136	19 12
61	Leather, leather manufactures, n.e.s., and dressed fur skins .	37	••	602	żż	212	1.
61	Rubber manufactures, n.e.s	57	703	80 163	151	265 150	3 16
64	Paper, paperboard and manufactures thereof	150		1,589	8	42	6
65	Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles and related products.	1.118	78	755	34	870	1
66	Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.	318	29	534	5	111	1,34
67	Iron and steel	21,487		2,790	19	1,193	2,82
68	Non-ferrous metals	5,061	5	3,192	1	1,506	38
09 71	Non-ferrous metals Manufactures of metal, n.e.s. Machinery (except electric)	1,931	2	1,680	55 48	2,788	71 79
72	Machinery (except electric) . Electric machinery, apparatus and appliances	3,128 952	5	5,523 1,832	48 97	7,792 2,360	31
73	Transport equipment	3.008	••	5,180	158	31,510	ĩô
81	Sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings	10	'i	265		15	1
82	Furniture		152	32	11	43	1
83	Travel goods, handbags and similar articles	••	33	14	6	10	
84	Clothing and clothing accessories; articles of knitted or	59	91	261	101	258	
85	crocheted fabric . Footwear, gaiters, and similar articles and parts therefor		11	351	121	258	
36	Professional, scientific and controlling instruments; photo-	••	11	1	3	2	
	graphic and optical goods, watches and clocks	909	5	1,178	46	659	7
89	Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.	278	314	1,094	897	1,025	8
9A	Commodities and transactions of merchandise trade, not				1		
	elsewhere classified	183	82	11,762	1,030	333	51
	Total merchandise	53,929	4.283	82,856	13,955	63,663	21.48
	sout merchanaise	55,929	7,203	02,030	13,333	03,003	£1, 4 0
9 B	Commodities and transactions not included in merchandise						
-	trade .	1,961	11	15,613	76	1,197	14
	Grand total	55,890	4.294	98,469	14.031	64,860	21,63

DIRECTION OF OVERSEAS TRADE

EXPORTS AND IMPORTS BY COUNTRY OF CONSIGNMENT AND ORIGIN: DIVISIONS OF THE AUSTRALIAN EXPORT AND IMPORT COMMODITY CLASSIFICATIONS, 1969–70—continued (\$'000 f.o.b.)

D:	Sweden		Switzerland	i	United Kin	gdom	United Sta America	ttes of	U.S.S.R.	
Div. No.	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Import
00			_ ::	••	3	544	1,197	245 77		
)1)2	2,765	141	849	14 178	43,800 44,941	728	253,024	77	7,896	•
3	4	44	39	1/8	44,941 717	135 6,541	1,471 22,182	146 838	••	44
4	17	234	445	ï	63,394	1,057	144	508		
15 16 17 18	2,871	8	100	36	45,488	894	2,526	4,702	••	1
5	1	2	2	2 39	32,339	817 1,112	24,447	49	••	
8	••	ï		40	332	37	14 205	557 3,420	••	•
9	19	22	·i	81	437	2,004	891	632		•
1	3	1	1	13	675	9,693	119	329	••	
2	558	ġ	63	19	3,331	1,345 147	27 1,656	19,241 278	••	15
1 2 1 2 3 4 5 6 7	556				294	108	1,050	1.501		
3			••		57	1,117	60	5,968		:
4	••	84	••	••	1,644	85	221	11,086	••	•
2	1.071	5,848 854	301	ż	63,061	4,202	26 628	8,560	43,212	•
7	1,071		501	-	03,001	4,202	36,635	5,192	43,212	•
		38		1	225	1,784	384	5,821	••	•
8	508	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	13	33	34,820	119	36,430	645	••	10
2	53		89		2,903	1,437 363	2,214	3,366 138	••	383
8 9 2 3 4 1	••		••	iż	ï	1,344	3i	7,057		
4		••	24	••		, , ,		32		
1	i2	235		·;	1,132	75	265	17	••	•
2 3	••	235	••	2	•••	434	••	1,837	••	••
1	••	55 505	6	4,423	160 362	469 23,102	62,541	304 39,858	••	147
2						17	202	1,615		
3	ii		30	3,648	193	8.080	545	3,060	••	••
3 4	6	312	238	10,172	1,238	17,257	122	10,170		•
5		8	2	932	102	4 071	154	6 316		•
6	••	0 1	2		102	4,871 25	154 134	5,216 2,567		6
7	38	10		::	ė.	2,813	153	1,106		
8	3	176	1	994	260	29,650	64	22,721	••	
9	1	410	1	336	3,010	18,219	8,290	19,817	••	
8 9 1 2 3 4 5 6	58 2	121 304	ió	99 9	1,705	2,458 14,289	526 8,781	672 11,162	••	
3	ĩ	513	6	20	56 436	1,294	362	761		· •
4	17	6,897		270	96	13,072	420	19,093	••	
5	2	564	48	4,885	486	44,997	465	20,137	••	6
7	19 37	648 5,299	132	257	883 4,452	20,343 16,464	3,112 10,876	11,173 9,469	••	3:
8	308	151	24 3	204	107,462	8.301	26,175	4,441		1,374
9	141	3,630	31	1.066	3,105	28,937	2,813	21,389	'i	1.
9 1 2 3	360	17,975	155	11,013	3,767	196,541	8,034	275,381		380
2	228 24	8,292 3,469	66 31	7,054 303	2,184 3,619	81,931 145,169	2,225 9,555	54,597 221,499	••	10 5:
1	24	193		9	17	2,017	9,355	471		
2 3		39		6	10	1,401	56	493	••	•
3 4	••	25	'i	7	17	491	110	150	••	•
•	88	18	52	479	877	7.457	2,321	1,540		
5		18 21	6	242	29	7,457 2,513	116	90		•
6										10
9	58 118	622 353	272 92	8,377 1,902	2,314 2,695	30,618 52,952	2,637 4,235	37,785 34,830	••	187 76
A	118	333		1,204	2,093	34,934	4,233	57,030	••	
	75	824	88	1,487	2,967	25,409	4,340	36,853	2	35
	9,478	58,976	3,224	58,679	482,111	837,284	543,513	950,662	51,111	3,420
В	157	160	232	325	6,119	8,060	12,918	14,583	327	49
•	9,635	59,136	3,456	59,004	488,230	845,344	556,431	965,245	51,438	3,475



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Trade with major groups of countries

Australia's trade with major groups of countries is shown in the following table. Particulars of Australia's balance of payments with countries in these groups are shown on page 323.

TRADE OF AUSTRALIA, BY MAJOR GROUPS OF COUNTRIES 1967-68 TO 1969-70

(\$'000 f.o.b.)

		. <u> </u>			1967-68	196869	196970
		STEI	RLIN	G A	REA		
Exports to-							
United Kingdom .	•	•			426,314	424,836	488,230
Other countries .					648.022	659,536	851,348
Total					1,074,336	1,084,372	1,339,578
Imports from							-,,-
United Kingdom .				•	723,010	747,155	845,344
Other countries .		•			397,555	450,693	494,297
Total					1,120,565	1,197,848	
Excess of exports (+) or	impor	ts (—).	•	- 46,229	-113,476	-63
NON-STERI	LING	cot	JNTI	RIES-	-NORTH A	MERICA	
Exports to							
Canada	•	•	•	•	53,541	67,611	112,773
United States of Ameri	ca(a)	•	•	•	413,974	493,238	570,364
Total	•	•	•	•	467,515	560,849	683,137
Imports from							
Canada	•	•	•	•	140,518	153,084	151,031
United States of Ameri	ca(a)	•	•	•	841,233	883,774	965,867
Total	•	•	•		981,751	1,036,858	1,116,898
Excess of exports (+) or	impor	ts (—).		514,236	-476,009	-433,761

OTHER NON-STERLING COUNTRIES

Exports to— European Economic Community European Free Trade Association(b) Other countries—	•	373,194 32,054	454,908 33,755	497,589 47,836
Ionen		642,072	822,101	1,021,446
	•			217.689
Eastern Europe, China (mainland), etc.	•	192,019	148,544	
Other		263,484	269,736	324,265
Total		1,502,823	1,729,044	2,108,825
Imports from—				
European Economic Community .		426,681	419,249	521,028
European Free Trade Association(b)		145,567	147,269	169,695
Other countries-		-		
Japan		343,310	414,676	481,203
Eastern Europe, China (mainland), etc.		40,753	49,875	54,162
Other		205,846	202,730	198,600
77-4-1		1,162,157	1,233,799	1,424,688
	•			
Excess of exports (+) or imports (-).	•	+ 340,666	+495,245	+684,137

ALL GROUPS

Total exports Total imports Excess of expo	orts (+) or	impo	rts (—		•	3,044,675 3,264,473 219,798	3,374,263 3,468,505 94,242	4,131,543 3,881,227 +250,316	
Excess of expo		.,	mpo		,.	•	,	, , <u>,</u>		

(a) Includes United States of America, Territories and Dependencies. (b) Other than United Kingdom.

Countries constituting the several groups are listed below.

STERLING AREA-Antarctica Bahama Is Bahrain Barbados Bermuda Botswana British Indian Ocean Territory Brunei Ceylon Christmas Is Cocos Is Cook Is Cyprus Falkland Is Fiji Gambia Ghana Gibraltar Gilbert and Ellice Is Guyana Honduras (British) Hong Kong India Ireland Iamaica Jordan Kuwait Leeward Is Lesotho Libya Malawi Malaysia Maldive Is Malta Mauritius Mauritius Muscat and Oman Nauru, Republic of New Zealand Niue and Tokelau Is Norfolk Is Pakistan Papua and New Guinea Qatar Ross Dependency St Helena and Ascension Sierra Leone Singapore Solomon Is South Africa South West Africa South Yemen Swaziland

Tonga Trinidad and Tobago Trucial States United Kingdom Virgin Is (British) Western Samoa Windward Is Zambia NON-STERLING NORTH AMERICA-Canada United States of America and Dependencies (Guam, Okinawa, Puerto Rico, Samoa, Virgin Is and other U.S. Pacific Is) EUROPEAN ECONOMIC COMMUNITY Antilles (Netherlands) Belgium-Luxembourg Burundi Cameroon Central African Republic Chad Congo (Brazzaville) Congo (Kinshasa) Dahomey France French Territory of the Afar and Issa Peoples formerly Somaliland (French) Gabon Germany, Federal Republic of Greece Guiana (French) Italy Ivory Coast Kenya Malagasy, Republic of Mauritania Morocco Netherlands New Caledonia Niger Nigeria

Polynesia (French) Reunion and Southern Is Rwanda St Pierre and Miquelon Senegal Somalia Surinam Tanzania Togo Tunisia Turkey Uganda Upper Volta Wallis and Futuna Is West Indies (French) EUROPEAN FREE TRADE ASSOCIATION(a)-Angola Austria Cape Verde Is Denmark Finland Guinea (Portuguese) Iceland Macao Mozambique Norway Portugal Sweden Switzerland Timor EASTERN EUROPE, CHINA (MAINLAND), ETC.— Albania Bulgaria China (mainland) Czechoslovakia Germany (East) Hungary Korea (North) Mongolia Poland Romania U.S.S.R. Vietnam (North) OTHER Afghanistan Algeria

Argentina Bhutan Bolivia Brazil Вигта Cambodia Chile China, Republic of (Taiwan) Colombia Costa Rica Cuba Dominican Republic Ecuador El Salvador Equatorial Guinea. Republic of, previously included with Spanish Equatorial (West) Africa Ethionia Guatemala Guinea Haiti Honduras (not British) Indonesia Iran Irao Israel Japan Korea, Republic of Laos Lebanon Liberia Mexico Nepal New Hebrides Nicaragua Panama Paraguay Peru Philippines Rhodesia Saudi Arabia Spain Spainsh Sahara, previously included with Spanish Equatorial (West) Africa Sudan Thailand United Arab Republic Uruguay Venezuela Vietnam, Republic of Yemen Yugoslavia

(a) Other than United Kingdom.

Trade with the United Kingdom

Since 1908, permanent resident Commissioners appointed by the British Board of Trade have been located in Australia for the purpose of advising manufacturers and merchants in Britain about Australian trade affairs. British Trade Commissioners are located in all Australian Capital Cities except Hobart. From 8 August 1907 the Commonwealth Customs Tariffs have provided preferential rates of customs duties on certain goods the produce or manufacture of the United Kingdom, with the object of assisting the British manufacturer to retain or improve his position in this market in relation to other countries. The main provisions in these Acts relating to preference are dealt with on pages 280–1 in this chapter. For details of exports to and imports from the United Kingdom, by divisions of the Australian Export and Import Commodity Classifications, *see* the table on page 305.

Trade with eastern countries

Details of exports to and imports from eastern countries are shown in the following table. Further information for principal eastern countries, by divisions of the Australian Export and Import Commodity Classifications, is shown in the tables on pages 300-5.

SHIPS' AND AIRCRAFT STORES

				Exports			Imports		
Country				196768	1968-69	1969-70	1967-68	1968-69	1969-70
Bhutan		•		 	21				
Brunei	•	•	•	9,351	799	8,700	15,410	18,562	14,452
Burma	•	•	•	2,797	2,928	3,802	187	125	295
Cambodia				254	115	832	29	36	35
Ceylon				16,173	15,083	-14,718	15,014	15,184	11,321
China (mainland) .				126,459	67,214	125,815	23,592	29,651	32,082
China, Republic of (Taiwan)		•	20,388	26,415	29,912	8,590	11,787	15,869
Hong Kong				59,876	70,973	84,718	36,729	41,075	54,022
India		•		65,466	32,017	40,237	35,296	32,196	31,839
Indonesia				13,870	20,665	35,266	55,430	59,956	48,882
Japan				642,072	822,101	1,021,446	343,310	414,676	481,203
Korea (North) .		•		1,928	5,599	3,688	2		2
Korea, Republic of				8,417	13,469	12,371	1,556	2,493	2,183
Laos				149	114	126	·	. 1	·
Macao				33	39	23	38	61	29
Malaysia				56,485	63,670	68,525	28,842	30,022	34,922
Nepal				96	26	44	14	21	23
Pakistan		•		5,944	6,905	16,394	14,562	17,068	18,953
Philippines				41,722	44,820	55,890	3,555	3,136	4,294
Singapore				58,138	63,325	98,469	8,564	12,496	14,031
Thailand				23,494	23,872	29,117	1,969	1,932	2,687
Timor				262	1,001	554	4		4
Vietnam (North) .					• • •				
Vietnam, Republic o	f.	•		23,198	31,063	23,193	20	81	30
Total				1,176,572	1,312,234	1,673,840	592,713	690,559	767,158

TRADE OF AUSTRALIA WITH EASTERN COUNTRIES, BY COUNTRY OF CONSIGNMENT OR ORIGIN, 1967-68 TO 1969-70 (\$'000 f.o.b.)

Ships' and aircraft stores

Ships' and aircraft stores loaded on overseas ships and aircraft are excluded from exports. The value of these stores is shown in the table below for each of the years 1967–68 to 1969–70.

STORES LOADED ON BOARD OVERSEAS VESSELS AND AIRCRAFT: AUSTRALIA, 1967-68 TO 1969-70

(\$'000 f.o.b.)

Stores						19676 8	1968-69	1969-70
Cigarettes, ciga	urs ar	nd tob	bacco			835	778	774
Fuel, lubricatin	ng oil	and	lubric	ants		33,805	32,513	34,745
Foodstuffs for	hum	an co	nsum	otion–	-	-	-	
Meats .						3,096	2,578	2,277
Sugar .						72	48	51
Milk and cre	eam.	prese	rved			95	68	68
Butter .						116	163	169
Cheese .						88	79	68
Eggs in shell						414	361	353
Seafoods						661	710	623
Prepared gra	ins					224	211	158
Vegetables						838	818	666
Fruit						432	480	445
Tea .		-				18	12	11
Other .						955	678	711
Fodder .		•				64	71	45
Alcoholic beve	rages					1,636	1,684	1,839
Coal .		•				6	· 9	33
Other ships' sto	ores			•	•	5,438	5,580	7,272
Total				•		48,793	46,841	50,308

Overseas trade at customs ports

The following table shows the value of exports and imports at customs ports of Australia during the year 1969-70, and the totals for each State and Territory.

OVERSEAS TRADE: CUSTO)MS PORTS,	AUSTRALIA,	1969-70
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(\$'000 f.o.b.)

Port or customs station	Exports	Imports	Port or customs station	Exports	Imports
New South Wales-			South Australia-continued		
Sydney	754.055	1,387,639	Port Lincoln	23,076	1.455
Kingsford-Smith airport	106,702	166,797	Port Pirie (including Port	23,070	1,455
Coffs Harbour (including Ballina)	601	100,797	Germein)	98.066	159
Botany Bay (Kurnell)	2,780	48,970	Port Wallaroo	14,313	1.554
Newcastle (including Port	2,760	40,770	Whyalla	38.085	4.294
	195 104	44,412			2,710
Stephens)	185,104		Parcels post, Adelaide	(a)	2,710
Port Kembla	107,499	34,158	marker of the second se	417.031	201 222
Richmond	1,862	8,368	Total, South Australia	417,031	201,223
Parcels post, Sydney	(a)	17,101	STATISTICAL AND STATISTICS		
	1 100 000		Western Australia		
Total, New South Wales .	1,158,603	1,707,445	Fremantle	290,182	143,460
			Perth	349	3,617
Victoria—			Perth airport	10,993	12,586
Melbourne		1,148,250	Kwinana	3,700	34,582
Melbourne airport	5,243	104,011	Albany	24,309	2,924
Geelong	86,719	63,476	Broome	5,890	1,372
Portland	31,212	6,334	Bunbury	15,917	2,904
Westernport	776	12,192	Busselton	59	• • •
Parcels post, Melbourne	(a)	12,790	Carnaryon	2.007	58
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	()	,	Derby	1,724	217
Total, Victoria	012 506	1.347.053	Esperance	43,170	2,502
	112,590	1,047,000	Exmouth (North West Cape)	170	446
Oueensland—			Geraldton	40.713	10.060
	343,983	259.242	King Bay (Dampier)	116,983	7,453
	7,409		Port Hedland		
Brisbane airport	7,409	11,311		110,397	12,586
Bowen	8,451	1	Wyndham	6,294	::
Bundaberg	3,044	64	Yampi Sound (Cockatoo Island) .		5,727
Cairns (including airport)	25,626	2,719	Parcels post, Perth	(a)	1,805
Gladstone	110,714	6,562			
Innisfail	27,820	2	Total, Western Australia	675,027	242,299
Mackay	37,530	2,509			
Maryborough (including Uran-			Tasmania—		
gan)	93	325	Hobart (including airport)	55,358	20,975
Rockhampton (including airport			Burnie (including airport) .	30,068	10.838
and Port Alma)	39,659	850	Devonport (including airport and		
Thursday Island	3,384	540	Ulverstone)	8,670	7.003
Townsville (including airport) .	165,806	6,608	Launceston (including airport and		
Weipa	(a)	1,822	Beauty Point)	26,608	8,182
Parcels post, Brisbane	(a)	1,559	Port Latta	22,646	
Taleen post, stassans 1	(4)	1,000	Port Stanley	120	••
Total, Queensland	773.519	294.114	Parcels post	(b)	(i)
10100, Queensum		27,117		(0)	(0)
South Australia-			Total, Tasmania	143.470	46.998
Port Adelaide (including Sten-				-	
house Bay)	214.464	163,220	Northern Territory-		
Adelaide city			Darwin (including Groote Eylandt		
Adelaide airport	8.678	8,776	and Gove)	49,725	39,829
Port Stanvac	437	19.055			57,047
Port Augusta	7.444	17,055	Australian Capital Territory-		
Cape Thevenard	6,758		Canberra	1.571	2,267
Edithburgh	0,758			1,5/1	2,207
Ardrossan		••	Tatal	4 121 542	3 001 117
Arurussan	. 5,635		Total	4.131.543	3.001.22/

(a) Included with main port. (b) Included with respective port.

Movement of bullion and specie

The following table shows the values of gold and silver bullion and specie, and of bronze specie, exported from and imported into Australia during each of the years 1967-68 to 1969-70.

EXPORTS AND IMPORTS OF BULLION AND SPECIE: AUSTRALIA, 1967-68 TO 1969-70 (\$'000 f.o.b.)

			Exports			Imports		
			196768	1968-69	1969-70	1967-68	1968-69	1969-70
Gold-Bullion(a) .			15,299	22,706	29,367	4,324	3,964	6,709
Specie	٠	•	30		6	53	32	40
Total gold	•		15,328	22,706	29,373	4,377	3,996	6,749
Silver—Bullion(a).		•	22,528	22,677	14,006	152	212	156
Specie .	•	•	949	50	81	162	666	162
Total silver			23,477	22,727	14,087	314	878	318
Other (including bro		and						
cupro-nickel)—Spec	ie	•	764	759	1,255	1,537	1,008	1,320
Total								
Australian Produce	•	•	39,554	46,175	44,688			
Re-exports .	·	•	16	17	27	••	••	••
Grand total			39,570	46,192	44,715	6,228	5,882	8,387

(a) Includes in matte.

The following table shows the exports and imports of bullion and specie to and from various countries during the year 1969-70.

EXPORTS AND IMPORTS OF BULLION AND SPECIE, BY COUNTRY OF CONSIGNMENT OR ORIGIN, 1969-70

(\$'000 f.o.b.)

	Exports			Imports		
Country	Bullion	Specie	Total	Bullion	Specie	Tota
Fiji	10		10	3,637	60	3,697
Germany, Federal Republic of	115		115	31		31
Hong Kong	23,498		23,498			
Japan	4,851		4,851	8		8
Malaysia					56	56
New Zealand	424	342	766	31	1,132	1,163
Papua and New Guinea .		430	430	764		764
Singapore	6,646	469	7,115			
Solomon Is		39	39			
Switzerland					43	43
United Kingdom	7,821	21	7,842	2,362	8	2,370
United States of America .	7	1	8	32	1	33
Other Countries		40	40		22	22
Australia re-imported .	••	••	••	••	200	200
Total	43,373	1,342	44,715	6,865	1,522	8,387

Total import clearances, dutiable clearances, and net customs duties collected

The following table shows the value of total import clearances, total dutiable clearances, and the net customs duties collected during each of the years 1965–66 to 1969–70 together with the ratio of total dutiable clearances to total clearances.

TOTAL IMPORT CLEARANCES, DUTIABLE CLEARANCES, AND NET CUSTOMS DUTIES 1965-66 TO 1969-70

		1965-66	1966-67	1967–68	1968-69	1969-70
Total import clearances Total dutiable clearances	. \$'000 . "	2,914,520 1,230,459	3,030,897 1,228,320	3,265,116 1,371,780	3,432,209 1,508,391	3,858,808 1,779,110
Total net customs duties collected . Ratio of dutiable clearances to total	• »	265,590 42.2	269,296 40.5	306,590 42.0	340,940 43.9	407,432
clearances	per cent	42.2	21.9	42.0	22.6	40.1

Overseas trade in calendar years

For the purpose of comparison with countries which record overseas trade in calendar years, the following table has been compiled to show estimates of Australian exports and imports for each of the calendar years 1966 to 1970.

OVERSEAS TRADE IN CALENDAR YEARS, AUSTRALIA, 1966 TO 1970

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			Merchandis	e	Non-merch	andise	Total	
Year			Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports
1966	•	•	2,742,315	2,853,925	88,960	41,199	2,831,275	2,895,124
1967	•		3,004,232	3,082,991	101,181	47,108	3,105,413	3,130,099
1968			3,036,221	3,443,943	112,227	45,143	3,148,448	3,489,086
1969			3,615,710	3,573,713	155,469	52,800	3,771,179	3,626,513
1970		•	4,131,015	3,997,992	129,752	56,492	4,260,767	4,054,484

(\$'000 f.o.b.)

Excise

Although excise goods have no immediate bearing on overseas trade, the rate of excise duty is in some cases related to the import duty on similar goods. Moreover, as the Excise Acts are administered by the Department of Customs and Excise, it is convenient to publish here the quantities of Australian produce on which excise duty has been paid. Particulars of customs and excise revenue are shown in the chapter Public Finance. The following table shows the quantities of spirits, beer, tobacco, etc., on which excise duty was paid in Australia during the years 1968–69 and 1969–70.

QUANTITY OF SPIRITS, BEER, TOBACCO, ETC. ON WHICH EXCISE DUTY WAS PAID: AUSTRALIA, 1968-69 AND 1969-70

(a) Includes supplies to Commonwealth Government on which excise was paid. During the years 1968-69 and 1969-70 refunds were made on 58,870,000 gallons and 61,592,000 gallons, respectively.

OVERSEAS INVESTMENT BY PRIVATE INVESTORS

Surveys of overseas investment have been conducted since 1947-48 to obtain particulars of certain types of private capital flows to and from Australia. The surveys, when supplemented by other information, provide statistics of overseas investment in companies in Australia and in Australian public authority securities repayable in Australian currency, as well as statistics of Australian investment in companies overseas and in foreign government securities. Particulars of investment income from most of those classes of investment are also obtained from the surveys.

Certain types of private overseas investment are not included in the statistics which follow. Investment in real estate (except when made through companies) and loans between Australian individuals and non-resident individuals are not covered. Nor are changes in short-term liabilities between exporters and importers in Australia and overseas covered, except in so far as they arise from exports and imports between branches or subsidiaries and their home offices. In this case they are included in the figures of investment in branches or subsidiaries.

In the tables which classify investment in Australia according to country of origin, the investment is shown as an inflow from the country which is the immediate source of the capital. Income payable overseas is classified on a similar basis, i.e. it is classified to the country to which it is directly payable.

Remittances between Australia and overseas by Australian life insurance companies are regarded as capital transactions made to bring assets located in overseas countries into line with commitments in those countries, and are included as a flow of investment between Australia and overseas. Similar considerations apply to overseas life insurance companies with branches in Australia. The following are explanatory notes relating to some of the terms used in the tables.

Overseas. For the purpose of these statistics, Papua and New Guinea and the other external territories under the control of Australia are regarded as overseas countries.

Companies. In these statistics the term 'companies' relates to both incorporated and unincorporated businesses.

Australian branches. Australian branches of companies incorporated overseas whose net liabilities to home office or whose net profit or loss exceeds \$10,000, or which maintain in Australia a branch register of shares, debentures or unsecured notes.

Australian subsidiaries. For the purpose of these statistics an Australian subsidiary is a company in which there is ownership of 25 per cent or more of the company's ordinary shares (or voting stock) by one company or a group of associated companies in one overseas country, or ownership of 50 per cent or more of the company's ordinary shares (or voting stock) by individual persons or individual companies in one overseas country.

Direct investment. For the purpose of these statistics direct investment is overseas investment made through a branch or subsidiary (as defined above) by the overseas persons or overseas companies which hold the specified proportions of ordinary shares (or voting stock) in the subsidiary.

Portfolio investment and institutional loans. This term relates to investment other than direct investment, including loans raised overseas from financial institutions and other companies which have no direct investment in the borrowing company.

Undistributed profits. This term refers. in the case of Australian subsidiaries, to the equity of the overseas parent in the net earnings for taxation purposes of the Australian company, less tax (or tax provision) and less dividends declared. In the case of overseas subsidiaries of Australian companies, this term represents the equity of the Australian parent in the book value of the net earnings of the subsidiary after tax, less dividends paid or payable.

Unremitted profits. For these statistics this represents the net earnings of branches during the year, after tax, less remittances by the branches to their home offices during the year of net earnings and interest (irrespective of the period to which the earnings and interest relate). 'Net earnings' of Australian branches of overseas companies are, in general, based on the value of their income for taxation purposes.

The annual bulletin *Insurance and Other Private Finance* and the *Annual Bulletin of Overseas Investment* contain additional figures relating to overseas investment, including a longer range of years covered, and also a more detailed description of the figures.

Private overseas investment in companies in Australia and investment income payable overseas by companies in Australia.

The inflow of private overseas investment in Australia since 1965-66 is shown in the next three tables.

Year	Annual in in Austral		rivate oversed	as investment in a	companies		
	Australia	branches	Australian	subsidiaries	<u></u>	Portfolio investment	
	Un- remitted profits	Other direct investment	Undis- tributed profits	Other direct investment	Total	and institu- tional loans(b)	Grand' total
1965-66 .	15	86	110	283	493	195	688
196667 .	12	94	103	125	334	176	509
1967-68 .	34	110	195	205	544	417	962
1968-69 .	34	148	246	191	619	402	1,021
196970 .	48	148	247	296	740	285	1,025

ANNUAL INFLOW OF PRIVATE OVERSEAS INVESTMENT IN COMPANIES IN AUSTRALIA BY CATEGORY OF INVESTMENT AND TYPE OF COMPANY(a), 1965-66 TO 1969-70

(\$ million)

(a) Increases in investment by some overseas investors are offset against withdrawals of investment by other overseas investors. (b) Partially estimated.

OVERSEAS INVESTMENT BY PRIVATE INVESTORS

ANNUAL INFLOW OF PRIVATE OVERSEAS INVESTMENT IN COMPANIES IN AUSTRALIA, BY DOMICILE OF INVESTOR AND CATEGORY OF INVESTMENT(a), 1965-66 TO 1969-70

					(\$	million)				
Year				United Kingdom	U.S.A.	Canada	Japan	E.E.C.(b)	Other countries	Tota
					DIRECT I	NVESTME	NT			
Undistribut	ed in	come(ം							
1965-66			·,	63	52	2		2	7	125
1966-67	÷			60	47	4		-3	6	115
196768				116	88	16	2		8	229
1968-69				143	118	12	3	-4	8	280
196970				164	109	13	-2	i	9	295
Other direct	t inve	stmen	t							
196 5–66				165	133	9		24	38	369
196667				32	157	5	7	13	4	219
1967–68				6	249 ·	19	13	20	9	315
196869				70	186	7	15	31	30	339
1969-70	•	•	•	86	253	22	21	31	31	445
		POR	TFO	LIO INVES	TMENT A	AND INSTI	TUTION	AL LOAN	S(d)	
196566				39	122	3	(e)	(e)	31	195
196667				27	73	5	(e)	(e)	70	176
1967-68				268	56	3	(e)	(e)	91	417
196869				260	11	4	(e)	(e)	127	402
				104					115	
1969–70	·	·	•	104	77	-10	(e)	(e)	115	285
1969–70 	•		•	104		- 10 DTAL	(e)	(e)		
	•		•		т	DTAL				
1965-66	•		• •	266	T(307	DTAL 14	(e)	(e)	101	688
1965–66 1966–67	·			266 119	307 277	DTAL 14 15	(e) (e)	(e) (e)	101 98	688 509
1965–66 1966–67 1967–68	· · ·			266 119 389	307 277 393	DTAL 14 15 38	(e) (e) (e)	(e) (e) (e)	101 98 141	688 509 962
1965–66 1966–67	· 			266 119	307 277	DTAL 14 15	(e) (e)	(e) (e)	101 98	688 509

(a) See footnote (a) to preceding table.
(b) Includes France, West Germany, Italy, Netherlands, Belgium, Luxembourg, Greece and Turkey.
(c) Unremitted profits of Australian branches plus undistributed profits of Australian subsidiaries.
(d) Partially estimated.
(e) Not available—included in 'Other countries'.
Minus sign (-) denotes outflow.

ANNUAL INFLOW OF DIRECT PRIVATE OVERSEAS INVESTMENT IN COMPANIES IN AUSTRALIA, BY INDUSTRY IN WHICH CAPITAL INVESTED, 1965-66 TO 1969-70

(\$ million)

Year	 		Primary oduction	Manu- facturing	Other industries	Total
196566			128	186	179	493
1966-67			114	152	68	334
1967-68			176	214	154	544
1968-69			262	181	177	619
1969-70			265	187	287	740

The next three tables show investment income payable overseas by companies in Australia.

INVESTMENT INCOME PAYABLE OVERSEAS BY COMPANIES IN AUSTRALIA BY CATEGORY OF INCOME AND TYPE OF COMPANY, 1965-66 TO 1969-70 1)

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						1965–66	1966–67	1967-68	1968-69	196970'
Income payable on dire	ct inv	estme	ent							
Australian branches-										
Unremitted profits						15	12	34	34	48.
Remitted profits an		rest				42	44	44	68	72.
Australian subsidiarie			-		-					
Undistributed prof						110	103	195	246	247
Distributed profits-		·	·	•	•		105	175	2.0	2
Dividends payab						79	100	104	106	140
Interest remitted		·	•	·	•	13	100	21	31	48
interest remitted	•	•	•	·	•	15	17	21	51	40
Total, income p	ayable	on d	lirect i	nvestn	nent	260	276	399	485	555
Income payable on por	rtfolio	inve	stmer	nt and						
institutional loans-										
Dividends .						35	39	40	48	54
Interest .	•	•	•	•	•	14	22	25	36	37
	•	•	•	•	•	17	22	25	50	51
Total, income pa	iyable	on p	ortfol	lio inv	est-					
ment, etc.		•	•		•	49	60	65	84	91
Grand total						309	337	464	569	646-

INVESTMENT INCOME PAYABLE OVERSEAS BY COMPANIES IN AUSTRALIA BY COUNTRY TO WHICH PAYABLE AND CATEGORY OF INCOME 1965-66 TO 1969-70

(\$ million)

Year				United Kingdom	U.S.A.	Cana da	Japan	E.E.C. (a)	Other countries	Total
				DIRE	CT INVE	STMENT I	NCOME			
Undistributed	lince	mel								
1965-66	inte	me) -	63	52	2		2	7	125-
1966-67	•	·	•	60	47	4		-3	6	115
196768	•	•	•	116	88	16		5	8	229
196869	•	•	•	143	118	12	2 3	_4	8	280
1969-70	•	•	•	164	109	13	-2^{3}	1	9	295
Distributed in	•	•	•	104	107	15	4	1		275
direct inves										
1965-66		n(c)-		78	48	3		1	5	135
1966-67		·	•	90	-0 60	2	••	2	8	162
1967-68	-	•	•	82	72	4	••	4	8 7	162
1968-69		·	•-	82 87	95	6	 (d)	(d)	17	205
1968-69		·	·	99	134	7	$\begin{pmatrix} a \\ d \end{pmatrix}$	(a) (d)	20	260
	•	•				PORTFOL				
			inco			JTIONAL		INLIVI		
1965-66.				23	13		(d)	(d)	14	49
196667.				26	17	1	(d)	(d)	17	60
196768.				27	19	1	(<i>d</i>)	(ď)	18	65
196869.				35	24	1	(d)	(d)	23	84
1969-70.	•	•	•	37	27	1	(d)	(d)	26	91
					Т	OTAL			*	
1965-66.				164	112	5	(d)	(<i>d</i>)	28	309
1966-67.				175	124	7	(d)	(d)	30	337
				225	179	21	(d)	(d)	39	464
1967-68.										
196768. 196869.	•	:	:	265	237	19	(d)	(d)	47	569

(a) Includes France; West Germany, Italy, Netherlands, Belgium; Luxembourg, Greece and Turkey. (b) Unremitted: profits of Australian branches plus undistributed profits of Australian subsidiaries. (c) Consists of remitted profits and interest of Australian branches, distributed profits and remitted interest of Australian subsidiaries. (d) Not available— included in 'Other countries'.

OVERSEAS INVESTMENT BY PRIVATE INVESTORS

INCOME PAYABLE OVERSEAS ON DIRECT INVESTMENT BY COMPANIES IN AUSTRALIA, BY INDUSTRY IN WHICH CAPITAL INVESTED, 1965-66 TO 1969-70

(\$ million)

Year			p	Primary roduction	Manu- facturing	Other industries	Total	
196 5 66					25	161	74	260
196667					29	168	79	276
1967–68					54	222	122	399
1968-69		•			88	242	154	485
1969-70					119	260	176	555

Australian investment in companies overseas and investment income receivable from companies overseas

The outflow of Australian investment in companies since 1965-66 and a classification by country in which the capital was invested are shown in the following two tables.

ANNUAL OUTFLOW OF PRIVATE AUSTRALIAN INVESTMENT IN COMPANIES OVERSEAS BY CATEGORY OF INVESTMENT AND TYPE OF COMPANY(a), 1965-66 TO 1969-70

		compani	es overseas		lustralian invest	ment in	Portfolio investment	
Year	_	Unre- Other Undis- Other ins mitted direct tributed direct t	and institu- tional loans	Grand total				
1965-66	•	2	4	16	17	38	-5	33
1966-67		-1	14	15	9	37	-7	29
1967–68		2	7	18	21	47	-6	41
1968-69		1	15	21	35	70	-9	60
1969~70		1	4	24	117	146	2	148

(a) Increases in investment by some Australian investors are offset against withdrawals of investment by other Australian investors. Minus sign (-) denotes inflow.

ANNUAL OUTFLOW OF PRIVATE AUSTRALIAN INVESTMENT IN COMPANIES OVERSEAS BY COUNTRY IN WHICH CAPITAL INVESTED(a), 1965-66 TO 1969-70 (\$ million)

Year			United Kingdom	New Zealand	U.S.A. and Canada	Papua and New Guinea(b)	Other countries	Total
1965-66		•	2	14	1	11	6	33
1966-67			-4	8		18	7	29
1967-68				8	1	21	11	41
1968-69			6	14	2	35	7	60
1969-70			29	17	7	88	7	148

(a) Increases in investment by some Australian investors are offset against withdrawals of investment by other Australian restors. (b) Excludes portfolio investment and institutional loans. investors. Minus sign (-) denotes inflow.

The next two tables show income from direct investment receivable by Australian companies from companies overseas, and the countries from which it is receivable.

(\$ million)

INCOME FROM DIRECT INVESTMENT RECEIVABLE BY AUSTRALIAN COMPANIES FROM COMPANIES OVERSEAS, BY TYPE OF COMPANY AND CATEGORY OF INCOME, 1965-66 TO 1969-70 (\$ million)

		Overseas	s branches	Overseas subsidiari	ies	
Year		 Unre- mitted profits (net)	Remitted profits and interest	Undis- tributed profits (net)	Dividends and interest receivable	Total
196566		2	4	16	16	38
196667		-1	5	15	21	39
1967-68		2	6	18	19	45
1968–69		-1	5	21	24	49
1969-70.		1	5	24	26	56

INCOME FROM DIRECT INVESTMENT RECEIVABLE BY AUSTRALIAN COMPANIES FROM COMPANIES OVERSEAS, BY COUNTRY FROM WHICH RECEIVABLE 1965-66 TO 1969-70

(\$ million)

Year		 	United Kingdom	New Zealand	U.S.A. and Canada	Papua and New Guinea(a)	Other countries	Total
1965-66			1	16	1	6	12	38
1966-67			1	18	1	6	13	39
1967-68			3	18	1	9	14	45
196869	•		2	17	2	12	17	49
1969-70		_	4	17	1	16	19	56

(a) Excludes portfolio investment and institutional loans.

Net annual flow of investment

The net annual flow of investment between Australia and overseas, and its classification by country, are shown in the following two tables. In addition to private overseas investment, the annual inflow of overseas investment in Australian public authority securities and net overseas remittances by life insurance companies have been incorporated in both tables.

NET ANNUAL FLOW OF INVESTMENT BETWEEN AUSTRALIA AND OVERSEAS COUNTRIES(a) 1965-66 TO 1969-70

(\$ million)

Year		 Annual inflow of investment	Annual outflow of investment	Nei annual flow
1965-66		662	27	635
196667		532	27	505
1967-68		1,109	36	1,073
1968-69	•	1,157	50	1,108
196970		909	149	760

(a) Increases in investment by some investors are offset against withdrawals of investment by other investors.

NET ANNUAL FLOW OF INVESTMENT BETWEEN AUSTRALIA AND OVERSEAS COUNTRIES, BY COUNTRY, 1965-66 TO 1969-70 (\$ million)

Year		United Kingdom	U.S.A. and Canada	Other countries	I.B.R.D. (a)	Net annual flow
1965-66		230	343	69	-7	635
196667		57	396	75	-23	505
1967-68		355	610	131	-23	1,073
196869		451	379	301	24	1,108
196970		236	417	127	- 19	760

(a) Particulars are not available of the domicile of securities issued to the International Bank (a) Particulars are not avalance of the formed of the form

BALANCE OF PAYMENTS

Estimates of a country's balance of payments are prepared for the purpose of providing a systematic record in money terms of the economic transactions which take place over a period between that country and all other countries. Such records are essential to the examination of influences which external factors have on the domestic economy. The Australian economy is subject to fairly large fluctuations in export income, and it is also affected in important respects by variations in the level of foreign investment and the demand for imports. Consequently, these estimates have always assumed particular importance in this country.

Official estimates of Australia's balance of payments covering the period 1928-29 to 1930-31 were included in the Appendix to Year Book No. 24, 1931. Except for the war years (1939 to 1945), estimates have since been published annually. Detailed estimates are currently provided twice yearly in the form of a mimeographed publication Balance of Payments. This publication brings the estimates forward to the end of the most recent financial year or half-year and, together with a printed volume The Australian Balance of Payments, 1928-29 to 1950-51, provides also a description of the various items included and the sources from which the information is obtained. A summarised statement of the principal current account items and capital movements is prepared and issued on a quarterly basis in the Balance of Payments-Quarterly Summary.

In the form of presentation adopted for the Australian balance of payments estimates a basic distinction is made between 'current account' and 'capital account' transactions. Current account transactions may be defined as those involving changes in the ownership of goods or the rendering of services between residents of Australia and the rest of the world and include such items as exports, imports, shipping freights, dividends, profits and interest, travel, and government expenditure. The current account also includes the value of transfers in the form of gifts in cash or kind made or received by residents of Australia, both private and government, to or from the rest of the world. Capital account transactions may be defined as those involving claims to money and titles of investment between residents of one country and those of another country and include government loanraising operations overseas, investment by overseas residents in Australian companies, the investment of Australian residents in companies overseas, and transactions involving changes in the overseas assets and liabilities of certain Australian marketing authorities.

By definition, the balance of payments on current account and the balance of payments on capital account during a given period must exactly offset one another. Errors and omissions, however, occur in the estimation of the amounts involved in various items in both the current and capital accounts, and, in addition, there are differences in timing between the statistical recording of trade and invisible transactions and the relevant foreign exchange transactions. It is therefore necessary to introduce into the estimates a 'balancing item' which allows the identity between the current and capital account balances to be preserved. The 'balancing item' is included in the capital account, but, as mentioned above, it includes discrepancies in the current account and does not, as is frequently supposed, include only errors, omissions and timing differences related to capital transactions.

Details of the estimates are assembled from a variety of sources of which the following are the more important: (i) statistics of exports and imports obtained from Australian trade statistics; (ii) details of the import valuation adjustment obtained from a sample of the invoices submitted to the Department of Customs and Excise in respect of imports into Australia; (iii) information on particular invisible current account items and capital movements obtained by regular inquiry from private organisations and government departments; (iv) details of receipts and payments of foreign exchange provided by the banking system; (v) information on profits remitted, undistributed income and private investment in companies provided by statistics of overseas investment collected by this Bureau; (vi) information on freight on imports and other items concerned with overseas transportation obtained from a sample of the invoices submitted to the Department of Customs and Excise in respect of imports into Australia and from a survey conducted by this Bureau of overseas shipping and airline operations; and (vii) information supplied by the Reserve Bank of Australia on gold and net foreign assets of official and banking institutions.

Current account

The balance of payments on current account is arranged to show a series of credit items and a corresponding series of debit items. Primarily, entries on the credit side include all current transactions which result in receipts of foreign exchange (for goods and services, property income or transfers), and on the debit side the similar transactions which result in payments of foreign exchange. The principal exceptions to this rule are the amounts shown for undistributed income and where debts incurred for current account items, principally goods, are subsequently capitalised. In respect of these amounts on movements of foreign exchange take place, the amounts concerned being treated as credits or debits in the relevant sections of the current account. A further exception occurs in the case of transfers in kind where no foreign exchange movement takes place. The values of transfers received or provided in kind are shown as credits or debits respectively.

The largest items shown in the current account are exports and imports, and the difference between them represents the balance of trade. This is usually the most variable relationship in the balance of payments and is, therefore, a most important one. For balance of payments purposes, certain adjustments are made to the recorded trade statistics. Briefly, these adjustments are made to exclude those transactions for which there is no change of ownership between residents and non-residents of Australia and to include certain transactions for which there has been a change of ownership but for which customs entries are not required. In addition, a valuation adjustment is made to the recorded import statistics in order to remove the overstatement which results from the basis of valuation for customs duty. A full description of the adjustments was provided in the Appendix to the publication Balance of Payments, 1968-69. A full evaluation of the overall position on current account, however, occurs only after the invisible items have been taken into account. In value terms the most important of these are the transportation items. Entries appear on both the debit and credit sides, the principal component on the debit side being freight payable overseas on imports into Australia. The principal component on the credit side is expenditure by overseas carriers, which represents mainly overseas ships' expenditure for stevedoring, port charges, etc. incurred in loading and discharging goods at Australian ports, and stores purchased in Australia. The items next in importance are those concerning income from property. Debit entries under this heading include dividends, profits, interest and royalties payable overseas, while the credit entries include similar details of amounts receivable by Australian residents. These items include undistributed income for which, as mentioned above, no monetary payments occur. The remaining items are smaller than those mentioned above, and include travel, government transactions, transfers (including foreign aid made available by the Australian Government), and, on the credit side, the net value of Australian gold production.

Capital account

In the capital account, transactions are recorded on a net basis; that is, according to the net effect of all debit and credit entries relating to each item. Thus entries on the credit side represent a net increase in non-residents' assets in Australia or a net decrease in Australian assets overseas, while debit entries represent a net decrease in non-residents' assets in Australia or a net increase in Australian assets overseas.

Capital account transactions are also grouped according to the sector of the Australian party to the transactions. The government sector, therefore, includes all capital transactions of central, State, local and semi-government authorities with the exception of transactions of monetary institutions (which are included in the monetary sector), while the private sector covers transactions of all resident individuals and private institutions (again, excepting monetary institutions). The monetary sector covers all banking institutions, including government-owned banks. Transactions of the monetary sector are further sub-divided into those of official and 'other' monetary institutions. Transactions of official institutions include changes in Australia's official reserve assets (consisting of gold, foreign exchange, the I.M.F. gold tranche and special drawing rights in the I.M.F.) and transactions between the Reserve Bank of Australia and foreign central monetary authorities and the I.M.F. Also included is an item, 18.4 Allocation of Special Drawing Rights. This is the counterpart to the change in official reserve assets due to the allocation to Australia of S.D.R.s by the I.M.F. Such an entry is necessary in this case because without it there would be no corresponding credit to the increase in assets (debit) and the allocation would be reflected in an offsetting movement in the balancing item. 'Other' monetary institutions includes all other transactions of Australian monetary institutions.

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In the government sector the most important items include transactions by non-residents in government securities domiciled overseas and in Australia and transactions involving changes in Australia's assets with and liabilities to international non-monetary institutions such as the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and the Asian Development Bank. Other government transactions are largely a reflection of the net effect on the balance of payments of leads and lags between payments made overseas for items of equipment for the defence services or government airlines and the delivery of the equipment. In periods where payments exceed the value of deliveries a net debit results; in periods where the value of deliveries exceeds payments a net credit is recorded.

In the private sector the most important items are overseas investment in Australian companies, Australian investment in companies overseas, and the transactions of marketing authorities. The figures for marketing authorities represent changes in the estimated value of commodity stocks held overseas by, or in amounts owed by overseas debtors to, the principal Australian marketing authorities.

In the monetary sector the most important item is that which shows the net change in Australia's official reserve assets.

The balancing item includes errors and omissions and timing differences, referred to on pages 319-20.

Tables-Balance of payments

The following tables show, for the three years 1967-68 to 1969-70, particulars of:

(i) the balance of payments; and

(ii) the balance of payments on current account, by major groups of countries.

BALANCE OF PAYMENTS: AUSTRALIA, 1967-68 TO 1969-70

(\$ million)

		y anno-	· <u>/</u>				
		1967-68	i	1968-69	t i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i	1969-70)
		Credit	Debit	Credit	Debit	Credit	Debit
CL	URRE	ENT AC	COUNT				
Goods							
1 Exports f.o.b.(a)		2,942		3,217		3,964	
2 Imports f.o.b.(a)		_,	3,159		3,203	•••	3,554
Balance of trade			218	14		410	
•	·	• •	210	14	••	410	••
Invisibles-							
3 Gold production	•	22	••	20	••	18	••
4 Transportation-							
4.1 Freight payable overseas(b)	•	••	365		376		398
4.2 Expenditure of overseas carriers		245		263	• •	297	
4.3 Other transportation		117	271	128	308	148	342
5 Travel		88	140	108	150	123	175
6 Government—							
6.1 Australian government—							
6.11 Defence expenditure .			57		65		72
6.12 Other expenditure .			38		46	••	52
6.13 Services to non-residents		34		39		40	
6.2 Foreign governments' expenditur	re	41		41		45	
7 Miscellaneous-							
7.1 Business expenses		36	51	41	64	58	78
7.2 Other	•	33	46	35	40	50	66
8 Property income—	•						
8.1 Direct investment—							
8.11 Undistributed .		20	227	20	284	23	285
8.12 Distributed	•	25	169	29	202	29	258
8.2 Interest on government loans	•		76		83		89
8.3 Royalties and copyrights .	•	6	64	7	63		68
8.4 Other	•	79	65	95	84	93	90
9 Government transfers—	•	13	05	95	04	//	
, 9.1 Papua-New Guinea .			103		106		116
9.2 Other foreign aid	•	••	51	••	54	••	64
10 Private transfers—	•	••	51	••	54	••	
		116	28	122	29	133	41
10.1 Migrants' funds	•	116		122		49	71
10.2 Other	•	41	56	42	60	47	
Balance on current account .		••	1,123	••	1,009	••	743

For footnotes see next page.

					1969 - 70 		
	Credit	Debit	Credit	Debit	Credit	Debi	
CAPITA	L ACCOU	INT (NE	Г)				
Government (non-monetary)—							
11 Government Securities—							
11.1 Domiciled overseas	134		138			121	
11.2 Domiciled in Australia	14				4		
12 International non-monetary institutions		11		10	••	7	
13 Other government transactions .	••	49	••	57	••	53	
Private (non-monetary)—							
14 Overseas investment in Australian companies—							
14.1 Direct investment—							
14.11 Undistributed income	227	••	284		285		
14.12 Other	305		317	••	421		
14.2 Portfolio investment and institu-	500			••		••	
tional loans	416		402		273		
15 Australian investment overseas-							
15.1 Direct investment—							
15.11 Undistributed income .		20	••	20	••	23	
15.12 Other	••	30		54	••	124	
15.2 Portfolio investment	6	••	10	••	••	15	
16 Other private investment	5	••	11	••	11		
17 Marketing authorities	33	••	28	••	••	47	
Monetary							
18 Official monetary institutions-							
18.1 Changes in liabilities—							
18.11 Use of I.M.F. credit .	••	••	••	••	••	• •	
18.12 Other	3		6	.::	5		
18.2 Changes in official reserve assets	••	(c)73	::	143	•:	118	
18.3 Other transactions	••	••	14	••	8	• •	
18.4 Allocation of Special Drawing					75		
Rights	••	••	••	••	15	••	
19.1 Changes in liabilities	43			5	31		
19.2 Changes in assets—		••	••	5	51	• •	
19.21 Advances to non-residents		1		1		1	
19.22 Other foreign assets		(c) ⁸		26		i	
- - -	-	N -7-					
Balancing item	130	••	115	••	145	• •	
Balance on capital account	1,123		1.009		743		

BALANCE OF PAYMENTS: AUSTRALIA, 1967-68 TO 1969-70-continued

(a) The amounts shown represent the recorded trade figures adjusted for balance of payments purposes. Adjustments affect timing, coverage and valuation. (b) Total freight and insurance on imports, whether payable overseas or in Australia, is estimated at \$398 million in 1967-68, \$414 million in 1968-69, and \$443 million in 1969-70. (c) Excludes the effects of the November 1967 devaluation of the pound sterling and other currencies which reduced the Australian dollar equivalents of official reserve assets and other foreign assets by \$111 million and \$2 million respectively.

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BALANCE OF PAYMENTS ON CURRENT ACCOUNT BY MAJOR GROUPS OF COUNTRIES: AUSTRALIA 1967-68 TO 1969-70

(\$ million)

		1967-68	196869	1969-70
EXPORTS f.o.b.(a)—				
Sterling Area—				
United Kingdom		423	416	483
Other	•	587	579	753
Non-sterling Area-				
North America	•	461	550	663
European Economic Community	•	382	448	496
European Free Trade Association(b) .	•	31	33	40
Japan	•	639 192	815 149	1,014
Eastern Europe, China (mainland), etc. Other	•			217
	•	228	228	299
Total exports	•	2,942	3,217	3,964
IMPORTS f.o.b.(a)— Sterling Area—				
United Kingdom		664	693	773
Other	•	360	416	455
Non-sterling Area—	•	500	410	455
North America		1.029	928	980
European Economic Community	•	403	387	464
European Free Trade Association(b) .	•	134	137	160
Japan	•	330	392	472
Eastern Europe, China (mainland), etc.	•	40	49	53
Other	•	199	202	196
	•			
Total imports	•	3,159	3,203	3,554
INVISIBLES (NET)— Sterling Area—				
United Kingdom		-297	355	- 390
Other	•	-135	-142	-164
Non-sterling Area-	•	120		
North America		-281	-315	-337
European Economic Community		-82	-88	-118
European Free Trade Association(b) .	:	-35	-33	-41
Japan	:	3		-3
Eastern Europe, China (mainland), etc.		-4	-6	3
Other		78	85	- 100
International agencies		-20	-18	-16
Gold production		22	20	18
Total invisibles (net)		906		-1,154
BALANCE ON CURRENT ACCOUNT—	•	900	-1,025	-1,154
Sterling Area—				
United Kingdom		- 538	632	680
Other	•	- 538 92	032	134
Non-sterling Area—	•	92	20	134
North America		849	- 693	-655
European Economic Community	•	- 104	-093 -26	-86
European Free Trade Association(b) .	•	-137	-137	-161
Japan	•	-137	423	538
Eastern Europe, China (mainland), etc.	•	148	94	161
Other	•	-49	59	2
International agencies	•			-16
Gold production	•		20	18
production	•	-1,123	-1,009	-743
Total balance on current account .				

(a) The amounts shown represent the recorded trade figures adjusted for balance of payments purposes. Adjustments affect timing, coverage and valuation. (b) Other than the United Kingdom.

Minus sign (-) denotes deficit.

International reserves

The following table shows the total gold and net foreign assets of official and banking institutions as at 30 June 1968, 1969 and 1970.

GOLD AND NET FOREIGN ASSETS OFFICIAL AND BANKING INSTITUTIONS, 1968 TO 1970 (Source: Reserve Bank of Australia)

(\$ million)

		_							
							30 June		
							1968	1969	1970
Official reserve	e as	sets-	-						
Gold .							230	231	241
Special drav	vin	g r igh	ts.				••	••	79
I.M.F. gold							249	204	217
Foreign exc			-	•	•	•			
United St			ars				189	368	371
Sterling							605	586	617
Others							5	32	14
Total	•	•				•	1,277	1,420	1,538
Other foreign	ass	ets (ne	et)				68	94	100
Total	•	•		•		•	1,345	1,514	1,638

Indexes of values of exports and imports at constant prices

The following tables show annual indexes of the values of Australian exports and imports of merchandise at average 1966-67 prices. A description of these measures is given in the first issue of the bulletin *Exports and Imports of Merchandise at Constant Prices* (publication reference No. 8.21) published on 10 October 1968.

EXPORTS OF MERCHANDISE, 1960-61 TO 1969-70

Indexes of Values at Average 1966-67 Prices

(Base: Year 1966-67 = 100)

	Food and li	ve animals					Metal		
	Meat and meat prepa- rations	Cereal and cereal prepa- rations	Other (dairy produce, fruit, sugar, etc.)	Total food and live animals	Wool and sheep- skins	Metal- liferous ores and metal scrap	manu- factures, machin- ery, transport equipment	Other exports	All exports of merchan- dise (a)
Percentage of tota value of exports in 1966-67(b)		15.8	12.5	37.8	29.7	5.6	14.2	12.7	100.0
1960-61 1961-62 1962-63 1963-64 1964-65 1965-66				Not avail	able			ł	69 79 77 90 89 90
1966-67 . 1967-68 . 1968-69 . 1969-70 .	100 100 98 132	100 94 80 106	100 99 102 100	100 97 92 111	100 102 107 115	100 147 211 302	100 100 116 151	100 121 147 174	100 105 114 136

IMPORTS OF MERCHANDISE, 1960-61 TO 1969-70

Indexes of Values at Average 1966-67 Prices

(Base: Year 1966-67 = 100)

		Food, beverages, and tobacco	Fuels	Basic materials	Chemicals (including plastics)	Textiles, fabrics, etc.	Metal manu- factures, machinery, transport equipment	Other imports	All imports of merchan- dise(a)
Percentage of value of in in 1966-67 1960-61 1961-62 1962-63	(b)	5.2	8.2	7.4 No	9.9 Dt available	8.0	43.3	18.0	100.0 75 61 73
1963-64 . 1964-65 . 1965-66 .	•							l	81 98 98
196667 196768 196869 196970	•	100 99 110 116	100 100 105 111	100 107 106 112	100 109 123 132	100 107 114 122	100 111 116 127	100 111 121 137	100 109 116 126

(a) The series shown for years prior to 1966-67 are not strictly comparable to the series shown from 1966-67 onwards (see the bulletin referred to in the headnote to these two tables). (b) These percentages may be used in analysing the contribution of each group to movements in the total index.