

## PART II.

### POPULATION.

According to manuscript notes made by Captain Lonsdale, the first enumeration of the people was taken by an officer from Sydney on the 25th May, 1836, less than one year after the date of the arrival of John Batman (29th May, 1835). This was the first official census in Victoria, which was at that time known as the district of Port Phillip, and it disclosed that the band of first arrivals consisted of 142 males and 35 females of European origin.

At the census taken in 1838, it was ascertained that the number of inhabitants had increased to 3,511. During each of the years 1840 and 1841 the population increased by nearly 100 per cent., owing principally to the number of assisted immigrants who arrived in the district, and it continued to increase to the end of 1850.

The discovery of gold in 1851 (the year of separation from New South Wales) was the greatest influence in populating Victoria, the numbers increasing from 77,345 at the census in 1851 to 538,628 in 1861, a gain of 596 per cent. In the next ten years the natural increase (excess of births over deaths) was the main factor in the growth of population. From the end of 1870 the population advanced steadily to 1,133,728 at the end of 1890, the increase being 409,803 (natural increase 307,246—gain from migration 102,557). The latter portion of this period was known as the "Land Boom" period which was followed by the inevitable reaction.

Between 1891 and 1905 the population of the State advanced very slowly, the total increase in this period being 76,693. The gain by natural increase—247,078—was offset by the loss from migration—170,385—the discovery of gold in Western Australia being the principal cause of migration from Victoria in the period. A steady annual increase was maintained from 1905 to the end of 1927 (exclusive of the years relating to the War), the population increasing from 1,210,421 to 1,741,832.

During the period 1928–1938 the population of the State increased slowly, the lowest annual increase for the period being recorded in the year 1935. The rate of natural increase dropped considerably and, in seven years of the period, a loss from migration was experienced. The world-wide depression of 1929–1933 had its effect on the population of the State. The population at the end of 1938 was 1,871,099.

During the period of the second World War (1939-1945) the population of Victoria increased by 144,008. There was a considerable increase from migration during the early part of the period due to war conditions. In each of the years 1946 and 1947 the increase in the population was due to natural increase, a loss being experienced by migration in both years. In 1948 a substantial gain by natural increase and by migration was recorded. This was followed by further substantial increases by both natural increase and migration in each of the years 1949 to 1954, the gain from migration in 1950 being the highest on record, excluding the return of troops from overseas after the first World War. The population of Victoria increased by 49,316 (natural increase 30,911—migration 18,405) in 1953, and by 64,842 (natural increase 32,106—migration 32,736) in 1954.

The estimated population of Victoria at the end of 1954 was 2,480,877.

#### VICTORIA—ESTIMATED POPULATION, 1836 TO 1954.

Year.	Estimated Population 31st December.		
	Males.	Females.	Total.
1836 (25th May) .. .. .	142	35	177
1836 (8th November) .. ..	186	38	224
1840 .. .. .	7,254	3,037	10,291
1850 .. .. .	45,495	30,667	76,162
1855 .. .. .	226,462	120,843	347,305
1860 .. .. .	330,302	207,932	538,234
1870 .. .. .	397,230	326,695	723,925
1880 .. .. .	450,558	408,047	858,605
1890 .. .. .	595,519	538,209	1,133,728
1900 .. .. .	601,773	594,440	1,196,213
1905 .. .. .	598,134	612,287	1,210,421
1906 .. .. .	600,856	618,976	1,219,832

VICTORIA—ESTIMATED POPULATION, 1836 TO 1954—*continued.*

Year.	Estimated Population 31st December.		
	Males.	Females.	Total.
1907	605,775	627,032	1,232,807
1908	614,937	635,512	1,250,449
1909	631,021	646,001	1,277,022
1910	646,482	654,926	1,301,408
1911	668,818	671,075	1,339,893
1912	690,056	692,497	1,382,553
1913	707,444	707,972	1,415,416
1914	713,307	721,881	1,435,188
1915	694,210	730,235	1,424,445
1916	666,245	738,418	1,404,663
1917	671,075	745,985	1,417,060
1918	684,243	753,002	1,437,245
1919	739,956	763,079	1,503,035
1920	753,803	774,106	1,527,909
1921	765,306	785,421	1,550,727
1922	789,517	800,756	1,590,273
1923	807,884	817,571	1,625,455
1924	825,919	831,232	1,657,151
1925	840,817	843,234	1,684,051
1926	855,035	856,952	1,711,987
1927	870,718	871,114	1,741,832
1928	879,478	882,268	1,761,746
1929	886,472	891,797	1,778,269
1930	892,422	900,183	1,792,605
1931	896,429	907,141	1,803,570
1932	900,663	912,724	1,813,387
1933	904,868	919,349	1,824,217
1934	909,806	926,854	1,836,660
1935	910,740	930,855	1,841,595
1936	913,959	935,648	1,849,607
1937	916,974	940,017	1,856,991
1938	924,034	947,065	1,871,099
1939	929,470	953,663	1,883,133
1940	947,037	967,881	1,914,918
1941	964,619	981,806	1,946,425
1942	970,729	991,829	1,962,558
1943	979,549	1,002,067	1,981,616
1944	986,889	1,011,065	1,997,954
1945	994,784	1,020,323	2,015,107
1946	1,006,395	1,033,374	2,039,769
1947	1,016,724	1,045,985	2,062,709
1948	1,039,037	1,069,088	2,108,125
1949	1,071,759	1,097,125	2,168,884
1950	1,114,497	1,122,685	2,237,182
1951	1,150,009	1,149,529	2,299,538
1952	1,189,262	1,177,457	2,366,719
1953	1,212,060	1,203,975	2,416,035
1954	1,246,591	1,234,286	2,480,877

Population, 1953 and 1954 The elements of increase in the population of Victoria during the years 1953 and 1954 are shown in the following table :—

ESTIMATED POPULATION OF VICTORIA AT  
31ST DECEMBER, 1953 AND 1954.

	1953.	1954.
Estimated Population, 1st January	.. 2,366,719	.. 2,416,035
Births .. .. .	53,561 ..	54,660 ..
Deaths .. .. .	22,650 ..	22,554 ..
Natural Increase ..	.. 30,911	.. 32,106
Recorded Migration by Sea, Rail, and Air—		
Arrivals.. .. .	524,030 ..	557,470 ..
Departures .. .. .	507,684 ..	525,706 ..
Gain by Migration ..	.. 16,346	.. 31,764
Estimated Population, 31st Decem- ber .. .. .	.. 2,416,035	.. 2,480,877

NOTE.—The difference between the total increase of population and the total of the elements of increase represents unrecorded migration as disclosed by the results of the Census of 30th June, 1954.

Increase of  
Population,  
1860-1954.

The table which follows shows, for each quinquennium from 1860, and for each year of the twenty years, 1935-1954, the natural increase of the population and the gain or loss by migration.

VICTORIA—INCREASE OF POPULATION BY EXCESS OF BIRTHS OVER DEATHS, AND THE GAIN OR LOSS BY MIGRATION, 1860-1954.

Period.	Increase During Period.			Increase Per Cent. During Period.		
	Natural.	Net Migration.	Total.	Natural.	Net Migration.	Total.
1860-64 .. .. .	69,249	7,682	76,931	13·29	1·47	14·76
1865-69 .. .. .	74,639	24,120	98,759	12·48	4·03	16·51
1870-74 .. .. .	81,902	7,444	89,346	11·75	1·07	12·82
1875-79 .. .. .	66,473	(-) 10,824	55,649	8·46	(-) 1·38	7·08
1880-84 .. .. .	72,332	21,688	94,020	8·59	2·58	11·17
1885-89 .. .. .	83,704	86,457	169,161	8·95	9·13	18·08
1890-94 .. .. .	100,292	(-) 23,075	77,217	9·08	(-) 2·09	6·99
1895-99 .. .. .	76,625	(-) 70,239	6,386	6·48	(-) 5·94	0·54
1900-04 .. .. .	74,296	(-) 57,229	17,067	6·25	(-) 4·81	1·44
1905-09 .. .. .	80,312	(-) 8,898	71,414	6·66	(-) 0·74	5·92
1910-14 .. .. .	93,975	64,191	158,166	7·36	5·03	12·39
1915-19 .. .. .	84,092	(-) 16,245	67,847	5·86	(-) 1·13	4·73
1920-24 .. .. .	98,235	55,881	154,116	6·53	3·72	10·25
1925-29 .. .. .	91,091	30,027	121,118	5·50	1·81	7·31
1930-34 .. .. .	61,242	(-) 2,851	58,391	3·44	(-) 0·16	3·28
1935-39 .. .. .	52,364	(-) 5,883	46,473	2·85	(-) 0·32	2·53
1940-44 .. .. .	76,250	47,527	114,821	4·05	2·53	6·10
1945-49 .. .. .	120,943	51,928	170,930	6·05	2·60	8·56
1950-54 .. .. .	148,029	163,964	311,993	6·83	7·56	14·39
1935 .. .. .	9,428	(-) 4,493	4,935	0·51	(-) 0·24	0·27
1936 .. .. .	10,105	(-) 2,093	8,012	0·55	(-) 0·11	0·44
1937 .. .. .	11,118	(-) 3,734	7,384	0·60	(-) 0·20	0·40
1938 .. .. .	11,389	2,719	14,108	0·61	0·15	0·76
1939 .. .. .	10,324	1,718	12,034	0·55	0·09	0·64
1940 .. .. .	11,669	20,268	31,785	0·62	1·08	1·69
1941 .. .. .	13,981	18,898	31,507	0·73	0·99	1·65
1942 .. .. .	13,954	5,527	16,133	0·72	0·29	0·83
1943 .. .. .	17,790	3,789	19,058	0·91	0·19	0·97
1944 .. .. .	18,856	(-) 955	16,338	0·95	(-) 0·05	0·82
1945 .. .. .	20,704	(-) 1,812	17,153	1·04	(-) 0·09	0·86
1946 .. .. .	25,159	(-) 327	24,662	1·25	(-) 0·02	1·22
1947 .. .. .	25,924	(-) 2,952	22,940	1·27	(-) 0·14	1·12
1948 .. .. .	24,274	21,142	45,416	1·18	1·02	2·20
1949 .. .. .	24,882	35,877	60,759	1·18	1·70	2·88
1950 .. .. .	27,489	40,809	68,298	1·27	1·88	3·15
1951 .. .. .	27,107	35,249	62,356	1·21	1·58	2·79
1952 .. .. .	30,416	36,765	67,181	1·32	1·60	2·92
1953 .. .. .	30,911	18,405	49,316	1·30	0·78	2·08
1954 .. .. .	32,106	32,736	64,842	1·33	1·35	2·68

(-) Indicates excess of departures over arrivals, also a decrease.

NOTE.—Natural increase from September, 1939, to June, 1947, represents the excess of births over civilian deaths.

Total increase includes deaths of defence personnel, whether in Australia or overseas, from September, 1939 to June, 1947.

Figures for the years 1947 to 1954, have been adjusted in accordance with the results of the Census of 30th June, 1954.

**Migration.** The following table shows the recorded migration to and from Victoria during the years 1953 and 1954:—

VICTORIA—MIGRATION, 1953 AND 1954.

	1953.		1954.	
Migration by Sea, Rail, and Air—				
Arrivals .. .. .	524,030	..	557,470	..
Departures .. .. .	507,684	..	525,706	..
Gain by Migration ..	..	16,346	..	31,764

The recorded interstate and overseas movement of people to and from Victoria, during the years 1953 and 1954, is shown in the following table:—

Year.	Arrivals in Victoria.			Departures from Victoria.			Excess of Arrivals Over Departures.		
	Inter-state.	From Other Countries Direct.	Total.	Inter-state.	To Other Countries Direct.	Total.	Inter-state.	Other Countries Direct.	Total.
1953 ..	479,586	44,444	524,030	480,297	18,387	507,684	(-)9,711	26,057	16,346
1954 ..	493,534	63,936	557,470	504,995	20,711	525,706	(-)11,461	43,225	31,764

(-) Indicates excess of departures over arrivals.

In 1953 and 1954 the increase in the population by migration was due entirely to the large gain by oversea migration, a loss being recorded by interstate migration. The volume of migration for each of these years was 1,031,714 and 1,083,176 respectively.

The following table shows the recorded interstate movement of population to and from Victoria during the period 1950 to 1954:—

VICTORIA—INTERSTATE MIGRATION, 1950-1954.

Year.	Arrivals.	Departures.	Excess of Departures over Arrivals.
1950 .. .. .	464,931	490,269	25,338
1951 .. .. .	524,436	541,348	16,912
1952 .. .. .	497,649	517,316	19,667
1953 .. .. .	479,586	489,297	9,711
1954 .. .. .	493,534	504,995	11,461

Oversea  
Migration.  
1953 and 1954.

The oversea migration between Victoria, and British and foreign countries for the years 1953 and 1954 is shown in the following tables:—

VICTORIA—OVERSEA MIGRATION, 1953.

Place of Departure or Destination.	Arrivals from During—					Departures to During—				
	March Quarter.	June Quarter.	September Quarter.	December Quarter.	Total.	March Quarter.	June Quarter.	September Quarter.	December Quarter.	Total.
British—										
United Kingdom and Ireland	3,915	3,013	3,345	4,748	15,021	3,517	2,533	2,012	1,559	9,621
Canada .. .. .	..	1	..	..	1	5	..	..	..	5
Ceylon .. .. .	220	109	124	160	613	119	118	114	126	477
Fiji .. .. .	..	..	..	8	8	..	..	..	..	..
Hong Kong .. .. .	14	1	11	15	41	15	34	11	17	77
India .. .. .	101	56	74	102	333	88	56	50	82	276
Malta .. .. .	97	138	113	438	786	51	10	7	30	98
Malaya .. .. .	16	3	9	9	37	35	51	53	17	156
Nauru (Mandated Territory) ..	109	50	67	25	251	27	86	61	72	246
New Guinea (Mandated Territory)	2	..	2	..	4	..	..	..	2	2
New Zealand .. .. .	854	523	567	662	2,606	682	476	572	752	2,482
Pakistan .. .. .	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Papua .. .. .	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	1	1
Singapore .. .. .	14	4	2	13	33	39	56	24	43	162
Solomon Islands .. .. .	1	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..
Union of South Africa .. .. .	124	41	159	143	467	190	35	93	196	514
Other British Countries .. .. .	48	38	57	55	198	28	73	61	49	211
Total British Countries .. .. .	5,515	3,978	4,532	6,378	20,403	4,796	3,528	3,058	2,946	14,328

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VICTORIA—OVERSEA MIGRATION, 1953—*continued.*

Place of Departure or Destination.	Arrivals from During--					Departures to During--				
	March Quarter.	June Quarter.	September Quarter.	December Quarter.	Total.	March Quarter.	June Quarter.	September Quarter.	December Quarter.	Total.
Foreign--										
Denmark .. .. .	..	..	1	2	3	..	..	..	..	..
Egypt .. .. .	148	235	150	240	773	29	22	59	19	129
France .. .. .	..	1	6	4	11	131	..	45	83	259
Germany .. .. .	1,376	1,573	1,334	2,485	6,768	..	142	..	30	172
Greece .. .. .	167	450	333	788	1,738	..	1	..	..	1
Italy .. .. .	2,644	2,279	1,899	2,925	9,747	753	1,011	958	357	3,079
Japan .. .. .	5	6	8	2	21	14	36	44	15	109
Netherlands .. .. .	2,063	536	921	1,271	4,791	159	6	16	11	192
United States of America .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	6	1	4	7	18
Other Foreign Countries .. .. .	44	34	58	53	189	39	28	13	20	100
Total Foreign Countries .. .. .	6,447	5,114	4,710	7,770	24,041	1,131	1,247	1,139	542	4,059
Grand Total .. .. .	11,962	9,092	9,242	14,148	44,444	5,927	4,775	4,197	3,488	18,387



VICTORIA—OVERSEA MIGRATION, 1954.

Place of Departure or Destination.	Arrivals from During—					Departures to During—				
	March Quarter.	June Quarter.	September Quarter.	December Quarter.	Total.	March Quarter.	June Quarter.	September Quarter.	December Quarter.	Total.
<b>British—</b>										
United Kingdom and Ireland	3,709	2,821	4,299	4,878	15,707	3,244	3,699	2,179	1,989	11,111
Canada .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	20	..	..	8	28
Ceylon .. .. .	151	103	122	162	538	94	124	110	121	449
Fiji .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Hong Kong .. .. .	15	10	12	12	49	19	20	20	20	79
India .. .. .	117	58	148	105	428	74	103	34	76	287
Malta .. .. .	420	577	386	1,409	2,792	10	13	17	16	56
Malaya .. .. .	8	5	45	..	58	9	7	54	2	72
Nauru (Mandated Territory) ..	83	44	35	42	204	35	118	44	61	258
New Guinea (Mandated Territory)	5	2	7	5	19	..	..	..	3	3
New Zealand .. .. .	740	659	679	513	2,591	702	457	578	572	2,309
Pakistan .. .. .	..	..	..	6	6	6	..	7	4	17
Papua .. .. .	..	..	..	14	14	1	..	1	2	4
Singapore .. .. .	37	22	37	31	127	42	49	34	62	187
Solomon Islands .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Union of South Africa .. .. .	167	84	120	94	465	123	97	150	59	429
Other British Countries .. .. .	112	65	60	89	326	77	93	39	65	274
<b>Total British Countries ..</b>	<b>5,564</b>	<b>4,450</b>	<b>5,950</b>	<b>7,360</b>	<b>23,324</b>	<b>4,456</b>	<b>4,780</b>	<b>3,267</b>	<b>3,060</b>	<b>15,563</b>

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VICTORIA—OVERSEA MIGRATION, 1954—*continued.*

Place of Departure or Destination.	Arrivals from During—					Departures to During—				
	March Quarter.	June Quarter.	September Quarter.	December Quarter.	Total.	March Quarter.	June Quarter.	September Quarter.	December Quarter.	Total.
Foreign—										
Denmark .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	19	..	19
Egypt .. .. .	264	193	200	274	931	35	27	11	31	104
France .. .. .	3	..	..	3	6	205	108	106	97	516
Germany .. .. .	2,455	3,195	2,804	4,165	12,619	13	74	16	..	103
Greece .. .. .	1,249	1,766	1,787	3,134	7,936	..	89	48	49	186
Italy .. .. .	2,682	2,381	2,772	2,643	10,478	931	1,597	540	642	3,710
Japan .. .. .	5	11	10	20	46	57	78	65	48	248
Netherlands .. .. .	1,654	973	919	2,216	5,762	65	25	28	21	139
United States of America .. .. .	..	..	7	..	7	12	..	1	3	16
Other Foreign Countries .. .. .	784	1,924	65	54	2,827	32	42	18	15	107
Total Foreign Countries .. .. .	9,096	10,443	8,564	12,509	40,612	1,350	2,040	852	906	5,148
Grand Total .. .. .	14,660	14,893	14,514	19,869	63,936	5,806	6,820	4,119	3,966	20,711

Oversea Migration, 1950-1954.

The following table shows the oversea migration for the period 1950 to 1954 :—

VICTORIA—OVERSEA MIGRATION, 1950-1954.

Year.	Arrivals.	Departures.	Excess of Arrivals over Departures.
1950 .. ..	77,934	13,160	64,774
1951 .. ..	64,205	14,302	49,903
1952 .. ..	73,984	19,264	54,720
1953 .. ..	44,444	18,387	26,057
1954 .. ..	63,936	20,711	43,225

Classification of Migrants.

The following tables show the oversea migration for 1953, and 1954, classified according to permanent and temporary migrants :—

OVERSEA MIGRATION, 1953.

	Arrivals.				Departures.			
	Perma- nent New Arrivals.*	Australian Residents Returning from Abroad.	Visitors.	Total.	Aus- tralian Residents Departing Perma- nently.	Aus- tralian Residents Departing Tem- porarily.	Visitors.	Total.
Victoria..	33,522	6,801	4,121	44,444	7,702	6,900	3,785	18,387
Common- wealth	74,915	42,695	45,515	163,125	32,032	39,946	48,250	120,228

OVERSEA MIGRATION, 1954.

	Arrivals.				Departures.			
	Perma- nent New Arrivals*	Aus- tralian Residents Returning from Abroad.	Visitors.	Total.	Aus- tralian Residents Departing Perma- nently.	Aus- tralian Residents Departing Tem- porarily.	Visitors.	Total.
Victoria..	52,944	7,010	3,982	63,936	8,730	8,364	3,617	20,711
Common- wealth	104,014	44,944	49,067	198,025	35,449	45,701	48,668	129,818

\* Permanent new arrivals in Australia whose State of disembarkation was Victoria.

Nationality of Oversea Migrants.

The following statement shows the nationalities of the permanent new arrivals in Australia, whose State of

intended future permanent residence was Victoria, during the years 1953 and 1954 :—

VICTORIA—NATIONALITY OF PERMANENT NEW ARRIVALS, 1953 AND 1954.

Nationality.	Arrivals 1953.			Arrivals 1954.		
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.
British .. ..	4,636	5,548	10,184	7,173	6,659	13,832
Irish .. ..	62	51	113	48	22	70
Afghan .. ..	..	..	..	..	1	1
American (U.S.) .. ..	169	162	331	190	153	343
Albanian .. ..	..	1	1	2	2	4
Argentinian .. ..	1	..	1	1	..	1
Arabian .. ..	2	4	6	..	..	..
Austrian .. ..	58	73	131	683	370	1,053
Belgian .. ..	13	13	26	11	17	28
Brazilian .. ..	..	1	1	..	..	..
Bulgarian .. ..	2	2	4	5	3	8
Burmese .. ..	..	..	..	1	..	1
Chilean .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Chinese .. ..	84	28	112	51	18	69
Czecho-Slovak .. ..	30	11	41	9	10	19
Danish .. ..	14	18	32	21	8	29
Dutch .. ..	2,213	1,916	4,129	2,974	2,429	5,403
Egyptian .. ..	4	5	9	3	2	5
Estonian .. ..	3	3	6	..	..	..
Filipino .. ..	..	..	..	3	..	3
French .. ..	32	34	66	37	47	84
Finnish .. ..	23	6	29	10	7	17
German .. ..	3,678	2,812	6,490	6,199	5,417	11,616
Greek .. ..	1,379	689	2,068	4,999	2,691	7,690
Hungarian .. ..	22	18	40	14	15	29
Indonesian .. ..	15	7	22	12	2	14
Israeli .. ..	69	73	142	104	114	218
Italian .. ..	3,457	3,467	6,924	4,641	4,563	9,204
Japanese .. ..	9	59	68	15	49	64
Latvian .. ..	16	9	25	5	8	13
Lebanese .. ..	8	6	14	26	26	52
Lithuanian .. ..	6	4	10	1	2	3
Mexican .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Norwegian .. ..	9	10	19	4	10	14
Polish* .. ..	70	60	130	25	25	50
Portuguese .. ..	2	1	3	2	2	4
Rumanian .. ..	2	..	2	9	8	17
Russian† .. ..	19	23	42	12	7	19
Ukrainian .. ..	11	11	22	5	2	7
Spanish .. ..	11	15	26	13	10	23
Swedish .. ..	12	10	22	9	5	14
Swiss .. ..	47	26	73	29	25	54
Syrian .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Turkish .. ..	3	3	6	6	7	13
Yugo-Slav .. ..	80	77	157	85	132	217
Other ‡ .. ..	304	221	525	1,179	722	1,901
Total .. ..	16,575	15,477	32,052	28,616	23,590	52,206

\* Includes "Stateless" who were formally Polish. † Includes "Stateless" who were formally Russian. ‡ Includes "Stateless" with former Nationality stated but other than Polish or Russian.

**Assisted Immigration.**

The Migration Scheme in operation prior to the war ceased on the outbreak of war. During the war assisted immigration was discontinued, except in cases of close family reunion involving wives and dependent children, and other special cases having exceptional features, for which special approval was required.

Two new agreements were signed between the Commonwealth and United Kingdom Governments on the 5th March, 1946, the first for the granting of free passages from the British Isles to British ex-Service personnel, and their wives and children, who wish to come here, and are accepted as suitable for settlement in this country; and the second for the granting of assisted passages from the United Kingdom to British civilians not eligible under the free passage scheme.

**Population of Melbourne Metropolitan Area.**

For many years the population of Melbourne Metropolitan Area was estimated as that contained in an area within a radius of 10 miles from the Elizabeth-street, Post Office. To conform to the growth of the urban population in certain directions the metropolitan area was redefined in 1929, 1947, and 1954. The municipalities included in this area and the population of each are as under:—

**POPULATION, ETC., OF MELBOURNE METROPOLITAN AREA AT CENSUS OF 30TH JUNE, 1954, AND ESTIMATED AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1954.**

Municipal District.	Area in Acres, 1954.	Enumerated Population at Census, 30th June, 1954.	Estimated Population 31st December, 1954.	Persons to the Acre, 31st December, 1954.
Box Hill City .. ..	5,309	35,554	36,400	6·86
Brighton City .. ..	3,380	40,458	40,700	12·04
Broadmeadows Shire (Broadmeadows and Campbellfield Ridings only) .. ..	33,110	23,065	24,900	0·75
Brunswick City .. ..	2,625	53,620	53,300	20·30
Camberwell City .. ..	8,682	90,397	91,400	10·53
Caulfield City .. ..	5,431	75,217	74,900	13·79
Chelsea City .. ..	3,020	16,857	17,100	5·66
Coburg City .. ..	4,616	62,077	63,100	13·67
Collingwood City .. ..	1,180	27,155	27,000	22·88
Dandenong Shire .. ..	34,600	27,748	29,300	0·85
Doncaster and Templestowe Shire	22,090	6,814	7,000	0·32
Eltham Shire (South Riding only)	9,505	7,499	7,700	0·81
Essendon City .. ..	4,073	57,873	58,200	14·29
Fern Tree Gully Shire (North, Centre, and East Ridings only)	32,790	22,019	22,600	0·69
Fitzroy City .. ..	904	30,312	30,200	33·4

POPULATION, ETC., OF MELBOURNE METROPOLITAN AREA AT CENSUS OF 30TH JUNE, 1954, AND ESTIMATED AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1954—  
*continued.*

Municipal District.	Area in Acres, 1954.	Enumerated Population at Census, 30th June, 1954.	Estimated Population 31st December, 1954	Persons to the Acre, 31st December, 1954.
Footscray City .. .. .	4,441	57,915	58,400	13·15
Frankston and Hastings Shire (Seaford, Frankston, and Mt. Eliza Ridings only) .. .. .	17,460	15,478	15,900	0·91
Hawthorn City .. .. .	2,411	37,188	36,900	15·30
Heidelberg City .. .. .	30,490	60,007	61,800	2·03
Keilor Shire .. .. .	35,145	10,681	11,200	0·32
Kew City .. .. .	3,596	31,518	31,700	8·82
Lillydale Shire (Western, North, and Southern Ridings only) .. .. .	57,365	16,619	17,100	0·30
Malvern City .. .. .	3,935	46,910	46,800	11·89
Melbourne City .. .. .	7,765	93,172	92,700	11·94
Moorabbin City .. .. .	13,295	65,332	68,100	5·12
Mordialloc City .. .. .	3,013	21,025	21,300	7·07
Mulgrave Shire .. .. .	16,505	20,293	21,900	1·33
Northcote City .. .. .	2,819	43,604	43,400	15·40
Nunawading City .. .. .	10,275	23,855	25,200	2·45
Oakleigh City .. .. .	3,326	24,305	25,000	7·52
Port Melbourne City .. .. .	2,628	13,104	12,900	4·91
Prahran City .. .. .	2,361	54,009	53,600	22·70
Preston City .. .. .	9,155	63,868	65,400	7·14
Richmond City .. .. .	1,513	35,213	34,900	23·07
Ringwood Borough .. .. .	5,625	12,951	13,700	2·44
Sandringham City .. .. .	3,700	31,758	32,300	8·73
South Melbourne City .. .. .	2,203	37,995	37,600	17·07
St. Kilda City .. .. .	2,118	53,301	53,000	25·02
Sunshine City .. .. .	19,775	41,332	43,400	2·19
Werribee Shire (Altona Riding only)	10,135	6,700	7,000	0·69
Williamstown City .. .. .	3,377	29,313	29,500	8·74
Total .. .. .	445,746	1,524,111	1,544,500	3·46

**Density of metropolitan population.**

Fitzroy is the most thickly populated municipality, with 33·4 persons to the acre; St. Kilda has 25·0; Richmond, 23·1; Collingwood, 22·9; Prahran, 22·7; Brunswick, 20·3; South Melbourne, 17·1; and Melbourne City, 11·9.

**Population of cities, principal towns and boroughs outside Melbourne Metropolitan Area.**

Outside the boundaries of Melbourne Metropolitan Area the chief centres of population in Victoria are the cities of Ballarat, Bendigo, and Geelong. The particulars relating to these cities are inclusive of the urban populations in contiguous shires. The populations of cities, principal towns, and boroughs are given in the following table:—

VICTORIA—POPULATIONS OF CITIES, PRINCIPAL TOWNS  
AND BOROUGHES OUTSIDE MELBOURNE METROPOLITAN  
AREA AT 30TH JUNE, AND 31ST DECEMBER, 1954.

Locality.	Enumerated Population at the Census of 30th June, 1954.	Estimated Population 31st December, 1954.	Locality.	Enumerated Population at the Census of 30th June, 1954.	Estimated Population 31st December, 1954.
Cities—			Towns—		
Ararat ..	7,414	7,490	Castlemaine	6,577	6,610
Ballarat* ..	48,030	48,410	Colac ..	8,032	8,110
Bendigo† ..	36,918	37,260	Portland ..	4,759	4,850
Geelong‡ ..	72,595	74,220	Boroughs—		
Hamilton ..	8,507	8,610	Benalla ..	6,045	6,080
Horsham ..	7,767	7,840	Echuca ..	5,405	5,490
Mildura ..	10,972	11,040	Maryborough	6,827	6,880
Sale ..	6,537	6,580	Stawell ..	5,463	5,490
Shepparton ..	10,848	11,040	Swan Hill ..	5,197	5,260
Warrnambool	10,850	10,970	Wangaratta	10,715	10,930
			Wonthaggi	4,461	4,460

\* Includes municipalities of Ballarat and Sebastopol and parts of the Shires of Ballarat and Buninyong.

† Includes municipalities of Bendigo and Eaglehawk and parts of the Shires of Marong and Strathfieldsaye.

‡ Includes municipalities of Geelong, Geelong West, and Newtown and Chilwell and parts of the Shires of Bellarine, Corio, and South Barwon.

**Population of  
Melbourne  
Metropolitan  
Area and  
remainder  
of State,  
1861-1954.**

The population of Melbourne Metropolitan Area increased from 139,916 at the census of 1861 to 1,544,500 at 31st December, 1954. In the same period the population of the remainder of the State increased from 398,712 to 936,377. During only one intercensal period—1891-1901—was the percentage increase greater in the country than in the metropolis. There was little increase in the population of Melbourne Metropolitan Area in this period, due to the severe industrial depression which prevailed in Victoria during the eight years 1892 to 1899. With the decline in the gold-mining industry, the rate of increase in the country areas diminished until, at the beginning of the present century, the

rural population became almost stationary. Between 1901 and 1933, the population of Melbourne Metropolitan Area increased by 495,855; in the same period the population of the remainder of the State increased by 123,336. The closing years of the period were years of world wide depression, during which Melbourne lost population, to a slight degree, to the rural districts of the State. Following the depression, the population of Melbourne Metropolitan Area increased steadily until the outbreak of war in 1939. In the war years which followed there was a considerable increase in the population of the metropolitan area, due partly to migration from the rural areas of the State. In 1946, the country areas showed a substantial increase in population. The enlargement of the area of Melbourne Metropolitan Area in 1947 resulted in a loss to the country areas of approximately 30,000 persons and a further enlargement of this area in 1954 resulted in a similar loss of approximately 115,000 persons. In each of the years during the period 1948-54 overseas migration had a pronounced effect on the increase in the population. The large gain by overseas migration was the main factor in the increase of population in Victoria in 1953 and 1954. In the table hereunder are given the population of Victoria, Melbourne Metropolitan Area, and the remainder of the State at each census since 1861, and at the end of each year since 1947.

POPULATION OF VICTORIA, MELBOURNE METROPOLITAN AREA AND REMAINDER OF THE STATE, 1861-1954.

(a) Census. (b) At 31st December (estimated).	Population at each Date.		
	Victoria.	Melbourne Metropolitan Area.	Remainder of State.
(a)			
1861 .. .. .	538,628	139,916	398,712
1871 .. .. .	730,198	206,780	523,418
1881 .. .. .	861,566	282,947	578,619
1891 .. .. .	1,140,088	490,896	649,192
1901 .. .. .	1,201,070	496,079	704,991
1911 .. .. .	1,315,551	593,237	722,314
1921 .. .. .	1,531,280	782,979	748,301
1933 .. .. .	1,820,261	991,934	828,327
1947 .. .. .	2,054,701	1,226,409	828,292
1954 (30th June)	2,452,341	1,524,111	928,230
(b)			
1947 .. .. .	2,062,709	1,228,300	834,409
1948 .. .. .	2,108,125	1,247,800	860,325
1949 .. .. .	2,168,884	1,272,300	896,584
1950 .. .. .	2,237,182	1,302,200	934,982
1951 .. .. .	2,299,538	1,330,800	968,738
1952 .. .. .	2,366,719	1,359,100	1,007,619
1953 .. .. .	2,416,035	1,388,800	1,027,235
1954 .. .. .	2,480,877	1,544,500	936,377



**Population of Australian States and of New Zealand.** In the following table is given the estimated population of each Australian State and of New Zealand at 31st December, 1953, and 1954.

**POPULATION OF AUSTRALIAN STATES AND TERRITORIES AND OF NEW ZEALAND AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1953, AND 1954.**

State.	Area in Square Miles.	Estimated Population at 31st December,		Persons to the Square Mile.		Proportion in each State or Territory.	
		1953.	1954.	1953.	1954.	1953.	1954.
Victoria ..	87,884	2,416,035	2,480,877	27·49	28·23	27·14	27·29
New South Wales	309,433	3,409,009	3,462,313	11·02	11·19	38·29	38·09
Queensland ..	670,500	1,298,420	1,322,752	1·94	1·97	14·58	14·55
South Australia	380,070	785,665	808,243	2·07	2·13	8·83	8·89
Western Australia	975,920	631,743	649,415	0·65	0·67	7·10	7·14
Tasmania ..	26,215	316,465	319,511	12·07	12·19	3·55	3·52
Territories :— Northern ..	523,620	15,635	16,140	0·03	0·03	0·18	0·18
Australian Capital ..	939*	29,714	31,144	31·64	33·17	0·33	0·34
Australia ..	2,974,581	8,902,686	9,090,395	2·99	3·06	100·00	100·00
New Zealand	103,736	2,074,781†	2,118,434‡	20·00	20·42	..	..

\*Includes Jervis Bay.

† Includes 126,146 Maoris.

‡ Includes 130,806 Maoris.

Population of  
Australian  
States and of  
New Zealand,  
1881 to 1954.

In the following table is given the census population of each Australian State and of New Zealand from 1881 to 1954:—

CENSUS POPULATIONS OF THE AUSTRALIAN STATES AND TERRITORIES AND OF NEW ZEALAND.

	Population at the Census of—							
	1881.	1891.	1901.	1911.	1921.	1933.	1947.	1954.
States—								
Victoria .. .. .	861,566	1,140,088	1,201,070	1,315,551	1,531,280	1,820,261	2,054,701	2,452,341
New South Wales .. .. .	749,825	1,127,137	1,354,846	1,646,734	2,100,371	2,600,847	2,984,838	3,423,529
Queensland .. .. .	213,525	393,718	498,129	605,813	755,972	947,534	1,106,415	1,318,259
South Australia .. .. .	276,414	315,533	358,346	408,558	495,160	580,949	646,073	797,094
Western Australia .. .. .	29,708	49,782	184,124	282,114	332,732	438,852	502,480	639,771
Tasmania .. .. .	115,705	146,667	172,475	191,211	213,780	227,599	257,078	308,752
Territories—								
Northern .. .. .	3,451	4,898	4,811	3,310	3,867	4,850	10,868	16,469
Australian Capital .. .. .	..	..	..	1,714*	2,572	8,947	16,905	30,315
Australia .. .. .	2,250,194	3,177,823	3,773,801	4,455,005	5,435,734	6,629,839	7,579,358	8,986,530
New Zealand—								
Excluding Maoris .. .. .	487,889	624,455	770,304	1,005,585	1,214,677	1,491,484†	1,603,554‡	1,823,796
Including Maoris .. .. .	534,030	668,632	815,853	1,058,308	1,271,664	1,573,810†	1,702,298‡	1,939,472

\* Part of New South Wales prior to 1911.

† Census of 1936.

‡ Census of 1945.

|| Census of 1951.

The populations of Australian capital cities at each census, 1901-1954, are shown in the following table:—

POPULATIONS OF AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL CITIES,  
1901 TO 1954.

	Population at Census of—					
	1901.	1911.	1921.	1933.	1947.	1954.
Melbourne .. ..	496,079	593,237	782,979	991,934	1,226,409	1,524,111
Sydney .. .. .	481,830	629,503	899,059	1,235,267	1,434,004	1,863,161
Brisbane .. .. .	119,428	139,480	209,946	299,748	402,030	502,320
Adelaide .. .. .	162,261	189,646	255,375	312,619	382,454	483,508
Perth .. .. .	66,832	103,792	154,873	207,440	272,528	348,647
Hobart .. .. .	34,604	39,937	52,361	60,406	76,534	95,206

The population of Canberra at the Census of 1954, was 28,277.

At the Census of 1954, approximately 53 per cent. of the population of Australia was concentrated in the capital cities of the six States.

Sydney has been the most populous city in Australia since 1902.

Increase of population in census periods.

The population at each census from 1861 to 1954, and the numerical and percentage increase during each census period, are shown in the following table:—

POPULATION OF VICTORIA, 1861-1954.

Year of Census.	Both Sexes.				Males.				Females.			
	Population.	Increase in Census Period.		Population.	Increase in Census Period.		Population.	Increase in Census Period.				
		Numerical.	Percentage.		Numerical.	Percentage.		Numerical.	Percentage.			
1861	538,628	461,283*	596.40*	327,605	281,403*	609.07*	211,023	179,880*	577.59*			
1871	730,198	191,570	35.57	400,266	72,661	22.18	329,932	118,909	58.35			
1881	861,566	131,368	17.99	451,623	51,357	12.83	409,943	80,011	24.25			
1891	1,140,088	278,522	32.33	598,222	146,599	32.46	541,866	131,923	32.18			
1901	1,201,070	60,982	5.35	608,720	5,498	0.92	597,350	55,484	10.24			
1911	1,315,551	114,481	9.53	655,591	51,871	8.59	659,960	62,610	10.48			
1921	1,531,280	215,729	16.40	754,724	99,133	15.12	776,556	116,596	17.67			
1933	1,820,261	288,981	18.87	903,244	148,520	19.68	917,017	140,461	18.09			
1947	2,054,701	234,440	12.88	1,013,867	110,623	12.25	1,040,834	123,817	13.50			
1954	2,452,341	397,640	19.35	1,231,099	217,232	21.43	1,221,242	180,408	17.33			

\* Since 1851.

**Masculinity of the Population.** The ratio of males to females, at each census from 1861 to 1954, was as follows:—

Census.								Males to 100 Females.
1861	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	155·25
1871	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	121·32
1881	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	110·17
1891	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	110·40
1901	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	101·07
1911	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	99·34
1921	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	97·19
1933	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	98·50
1947	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	97·41
1954	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	100·81

**Aborigines in Victoria.**

Prior to the first white settlements in what is now the State of Victoria, aborigines were not present in large numbers. It is known that infanticide was practised, and that numbers were further reduced by tribal wars. Estimates of those present in 1835 were made by men who obtained early knowledge of the natives and others who at a later date examined all the evidence on the subject. These estimates varied from 5,000 to 15,000.

After 1835 infanticide and tribal wars continued, but further mortality arose from the white man's infectious diseases and habits, and from disturbance of the natives' way of life. During the years following 1835 the aboriginal population decreased and at the date of separation of the Port Phillip district from New South Wales, the number had become comparatively small.

Few killings of natives by white men, and white men by natives, were recorded. These appear to have been, in the main, isolated incidents.

The estimated number of quadroons and persons having a greater degree of aboriginal blood who were born in Victoria and were living in this State on 30th June, 1953, was 825 of whom 25 were full-blood aborigines. The corresponding number at 30th June, 1954, was 836 of whom 23 were full-blood aborigines.

VICTORIA—NUMBER OF ABORIGINES UNDER CARE,  
1952-53 AND 1953-54.

Location.	Aborigines.		Mixed Bloods.		Total.	
	1952-53.	1953-54.	1952-53.	1953-54.	1952-53.	1953-54.
Lake Tyers Station ..	7	7	200	145	207	152
In Institutions ..	3	3	6	6	9	9
Total ..	10	10	206	151	216	161

As will be seen from the above figures, the aborigines under the care of the Board for the Protection of the aborigines are concentrated at the Lake Tyers Aboriginal Station, in East Gippsland, where supervision is exercised by a resident staff.

Some 60 people of part aboriginal blood live on an old reserve at Framlingham, near Warrnambool, in Government cottages, for which they are charged a nominal rental. These people maintain themselves, but several are in receipt of age pensions or other social services allowances. They are visited monthly by a police officer, who has been appointed Local Guardian of Aborigines.

Of the remaining 560, approximately 50 live more or less permanently in Melbourne suburbs, and 500 in country districts, mainly at Bruthen, Dimboola, Healesville, Lakes Entrance, Moe, Orbost, Mooroopna, and Swan Hill. Those of working age generally follow seasonal employment.

During 1952-53, eight children (7 males and 1 female) were born to mixed blood parents at the Lake Tyers Station and two marriages were celebrated there.

During 1953-54, four children (2 males and 2 females) were born to mixed blood parents at the Lake Tyers Station and one marriage was celebrated there. One death occurred at the Station.

The Board for the Protection of Aborigines expended £8,360 in 1952-53 and £9,795 in 1953-54 on the care and maintenance of aborigines during the year. A Trust Fund known as the Aborigines Board Produce Fund is kept at the Treasury. Receipts from the sale of timber, stock, hides, &c., are paid to this fund, from which wages are paid to the aborigines who work on the Lake Tyers Station. The credit balance in the fund at 30th June, 1953, was £5,940 and at 30th June, 1954, was £5,041.

The *Nationality and Citizenship Act 1948* commenced **Naturalization.** on Australia Day (26th January), 1949, and repealed all previous Commonwealth legislation on this subject.

The number of persons naturalized in Victoria in the year 1953 was 728 and in 1954 was 1,428. They were of various nationalities, 37 per cent. in 1953 and 29 per cent. in 1954 being of Polish origin. During the 84 years, 1871 to 1954 inclusive, 32,109 persons were naturalized. The following table shows the persons of each nationality naturalized in Victoria during the four years 1951-1954 :—

VICTORIA—BIRTHPLACES OF PERSONS NATURALIZED,  
1951-1954.

Nationality.	Numbers Naturalized in each Year.				Total Naturalized 1951 to 1954.
	1951.	1952.	1953.	1954.	
Albanian .. .. .	10	2	4	6	22
Austrian .. .. .	23	74	42	75	214
Czechoslovak .. .. .	29	46	44	103	222
Danish .. .. .	1	4	1	6	12
Dutch .. .. .	28	50	44	79	201
Estonian .. .. .	2	4	7	21	34
Finnish .. .. .	2	..	1	3	6
French .. .. .	1	1	2	10	14
German .. .. .	68	78	54	101	301
Greek .. .. .	58	15	28	68	169
Hungarian .. .. .	1	42	45	83	171
Italian .. .. .	165	48	45	112	370
Latvian .. .. .	3	6	20	53	82
Lithuanian .. .. .	1	1	3	30	35
Norwegian .. .. .	5	9	4	12	30
Polish .. .. .	84	195	271	407	957
Roumanian .. .. .	1	4	6	29	40
Russian .. .. .	..	..	..	7	7
Swedish .. .. .	3	3	3	3	12
Swiss .. .. .	3	1	2	4	10
Ukrainian .. .. .	..	2	2	23	27
Yugoslav .. .. .	10	8	11	38	67
Other European Countries .. .. .	7	1	4	14	26
U.S. American .. .. .	7	7	11	4	29
Other nationalities .. .. .	4	5	12	25	46
Stateless .. .. .	38	66	62	112	278
<b>Total .. .. .</b>	<b>554</b>	<b>672</b>	<b>728</b>	<b>1,428</b>	<b>3,382</b>

**CENSUS OF 1954.**

The last Census of the Commonwealth was taken on 30th June, 1954.

The following statement shows the population of, and the number of dwellings in, each of the municipalities of Victoria at the Census of 30th June, 1954, and also the estimated population of each municipality at 31st December, 1954.

**VICTORIA—POPULATION OF AND DWELLINGS IN MUNICIPALITIES AT THE CENSUS OF 30TH JUNE, 1954, AND ESTIMATED POPULATION OF MUNICIPALITIES AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1954.**

For the purpose of the Census, a "dwelling" is any habitation occupied by a household group living together as a domestic unit, whether comprising the whole or only part of a building. The term has, therefore, a very wide reference and includes, in addition to houses and flats, a great variety of "dwellings" ranging from a single-roomed shack to a multi-roomed hotel or institution. "Unoccupied dwellings" include "week-end," holiday, or other dwellings temporarily unoccupied on the night of the Census. They also include newly completed dwellings awaiting occupation.

Municipality.	Population.		Dwellings at Census.		
	Enumerated at Census 30th June, 1954.	Estimated at 31st December, 1954.	Occupied.	Un-occupied.	Total.
<b>MELBOURNE METROPOLITAN AREA.</b>					
<i>Cities.</i>					
Box Hill .. ..	35,554	36,400	9,657	138	9,795
Brighton .. ..	40,458	40,700	11,909	248	12,157
Brunswick .. ..	53,620	53,300	14,566	188	14,754
Camberwell .. ..	90,397	91,400	26,190	428	26,618
Caulfield .. ..	75,217	74,900	22,510	431	22,941
Chelsea .. ..	16,857	17,100	4,777	250	5,027
Coburg .. ..	62,077	63,100	16,380	236	16,616
Collingwood .. ..	27,155	27,000	7,281	106	7,387
Essendon .. ..	57,873	58,200	16,282	237	16,519
Fitzroy .. ..	30,312	30,200	8,305	131	8,436
Footscray .. ..	57,915	58,400	15,456	143	15,599
Hawthorn .. ..	37,188	36,900	11,488	243	11,731
Heidelberg .. ..	60,007	61,800	15,096	254	15,350
Kew .. ..	31,518	31,700	8,503	139	8,642
Malvern .. ..	46,910	46,800	14,292	282	14,574

VICTORIA—POPULATION OF AND DWELLINGS IN MUNICIPALITIES AT THE CENSUS OF 30TH JUNE, 1954, AND ESTIMATED POPULATION OF MUNICIPALITIES AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1954—*continued.*

Municipality.	Population.		Dwellings at Census.		
	Enumerated at Census 30th June, 1954.	Estimated at 31st December, 1954.	Occupied.	Un-occupied.	Total.
<i>Cities—continued.</i>					
Melbourne .. .. .	93,172	92,700	22,345	455	22,800
Moorabbin .. .. .	65,332	68,100	17,488	289	17,777
Mordialloc .. .. .	21,025	21,300	5,748	128	5,876
Northcote .. .. .	43,604	43,400	12,322	151	12,473
Nunawading .. .. .	23,855	25,200	6,362	113	6,475
Oakleigh .. .. .	24,305	25,000	6,586	108	6,694
Port Melbourne .. .. .	13,104	12,900	3,461	40	3,501
Prahran .. .. .	54,009	53,600	18,036	432	18,468
Preston .. .. .	63,868	65,400	16,142	182	16,324
Richmond .. .. .	35,213	34,900	9,919	164	10,083
Sandringham .. .. .	31,758	32,300	9,003	149	9,152
South Melbourne .. .. .	37,995	37,600	11,326	238	11,564
St. Kilda .. .. .	53,301	53,000	17,749	353	18,102
Sunshine .. .. .	41,332	43,400	9,413	68	9,481
Williamstown .. .. .	29,313	29,500	7,902	112	8,014
<i>Borough.</i>					
Ringwood .. .. .	12,951	13,700	3,619	94	3,713
<i>Shires.</i>					
Broadmeadows (Broadmeadows and Campbellfield Ridings only) .. .. .	23,065	24,900	5,699	73	5,772
Dandenong .. .. .	27,748	29,300	7,273	145	7,418
Doncaster and Templestowe .. .. .	6,814	7,000	1,901	57	1,958
Eltham (South Riding only) .. .. .	7,499	7,700	2,083	60	2,143
Fern Tree Gully (North, Centre, and East Ridings only) .. .. .	22,019	22,600	6,541	1,120	7,661
Frankston and Hastings (Seaford, Frankston, and Mt. Eliza Ridings only) .. .. .	15,478	15,900	4,485	551	5,036
Keilor .. .. .	10,681	11,200	2,797	32	2,829
Lillydale (Western, North and Southern Ridings only) .. .. .	16,619	17,100	4,816	475	5,291
Mulgrave .. .. .	20,293	21,900	5,127	136	5,263
Werribee (Altona Riding only) .. .. .	6,700	7,000	1,615	18	1,633
Total in Melbourne Metropolitan Area .. .. .	1,524,111	1,544,500	422,450	9,197	431,647



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Municipality.	Population.		Dwellings at Census.		
	Enumerated at Census 30th June, 1954.	Estimated at 31st December, 1954.	Occupied.	Un-occupied.	Total.
<b>OUTSIDE MELBOURNE METROPOLITAN AREA.</b>					
<i>Cities.</i>					
Ararat .. .. .	7,414	7,490	1,738	66	1,804
Ballaarat .. .. .	39,945	40,120	10,929	289	11,218
Bendigo .. .. .	28,726	28,920	8,151	213	8,364
Geelong .. .. .	20,034	20,050	5,163	100	5,263
Geelong West .. .. .	17,313	17,440	4,751	54	4,805
Hamilton .. .. .	8,507	8,610	2,210	63	2,273
Horsham .. .. .	7,767	7,840	2,074	78	2,152
Mildura .. .. .	10,972	11,040	2,795	89	2,884
Newtown and Chilwell .. .. .	11,191	11,270	2,991	65	3,056
Sale .. .. .	6,537	6,580	1,677	60	1,737
Shepparton .. .. .	10,848	11,040	2,919	85	3,004
Warrnambool .. .. .	10,850	10,970	2,840	67	2,907
<i>Towns.</i>					
Castlemaine .. .. .	6,577	6,610	1,813	81	1,894
Colac .. .. .	8,032	8,110	2,096	68	2,164
Portland .. .. .	4,759	4,850	1,355	115	1,470
St. Arnaud .. .. .	3,037	3,040	829	36	865
<i>Boroughs.</i>					
Benalla .. .. .	6,045	6,080	1,592	60	1,652
Camperdown .. .. .	3,205	3,230	879	27	906
Clunes .. .. .	871	880	294	13	307
Daylesford .. .. .	3,216	3,220	940	79	1,019
Eaglehawk .. .. .	4,696	4,730	1,360	44	1,404
Echuca .. .. .	5,405	5,490	1,454	35	1,489
Inglewood .. .. .	957	960	271	18	289
Koroit .. .. .	1,401	1,400	342	8	350
Kyabram .. .. .	3,335	3,400	874	14	888
Maryborough .. .. .	6,827	6,880	1,955	79	2,034
Port Fairy .. .. .	2,265	2,290	621	62	683
Queenscliffe .. .. .	2,551	2,580	770	232	1,002
Sebastopol .. .. .	3,265	3,290	842	21	863
Stawell .. .. .	5,463	5,490	1,551	52	1,603
Swan Hill .. .. .	5,197	5,260	1,303	20	1,323
Wangaratta .. .. .	10,715	10,930	2,704	57	2,761
Wonthaggi .. .. .	4,461	4,460	1,267	60	1,327

VICTORIA—POPULATION OF AND DWELLINGS IN MUNICIPALITIES AT THE CENSUS OF 30TH JUNE, 1954, AND ESTIMATED POPULATION OF MUNICIPALITIES AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1954—*continued.*

Municipality.	Population.		Dwellings at Census.		
	Enumerated at Census 30th June, 1954.	Estimated at 31st December, 1954.	Occupied.	Un-occupied.	Total.
<i>Shires.</i>					
Alberton .. .. .	5,602	5,620	1,482	183	1,665
Alexandra .. .. .	6,523	6,890	1,470	63	1,533
Arapiles .. .. .	2,160	2,160	553	20	573
Ararat .. .. .	4,659	4,690	1,233	90	1,323
Avoca .. .. .	2,381	2,380	688	56	744
Avon .. .. .	3,215	3,250	712	32	744
Bacchus Marsh .. .. .	3,972	3,990	1,022	31	1,053
Bairnsdale .. .. .	10,104	10,170	2,609	98	2,707
Ballan .. .. .	2,752	2,750	744	177	921
Ballarat .. .. .	6,145	6,320	1,268	59	1,327
Bannockburn .. .. .	2,126	2,130	599	24	623
Barrabool .. .. .	1,917	1,980	541	418	959
Bass .. .. .	3,761	3,770	1,040	136	1,176
Beechworth .. .. .	4,417	4,420	969	70	1,039
Belfast .. .. .	1,949	1,950	473	16	489
Bellarine .. .. .	7,015	7,190	1,891	389	2,280
Benalla .. .. .	4,407	4,290	976	40	1,016
Berwick .. .. .	12,412	12,510	3,364	448	3,812
Bet Bet .. .. .	2,296	2,300	687	48	735
Birchip .. .. .	1,745	1,750	437	22	459
Bright .. .. .	8,060	8,140	1,924	168	2,092
Broadford .. .. .	1,939	1,950	521	59	580
Broadmeadows (excluding Broadmeadows and Campbellfield Ridings)	1,010	1,020	277	30	307
Bulla .. .. .	3,232	3,230	478	10	488
Buln Buln .. .. .	8,015	8,180	2,089	123	2,212
Bungaree .. .. .	1,966	1,970	472	12	484
Buninyong .. .. .	3,953	3,970	1,064	43	1,107
Charlton .. .. .	2,359	2,370	604	35	639
Chiltern .. .. .	1,613	1,610	471	31	502
Cobram .. .. .	3,642	3,700	909	34	943
Cohuna .. .. .	3,872	3,900	961	36	997
Colac .. .. .	6,963	6,970	1,743	56	1,799
Corio .. .. .	15,808	16,780	3,509	103	3,612
Cranbourne .. .. .	8,201	8,230	2,249	347	2,596
Creswick .. .. .	3,554	3,560	1,018	66	1,084
Deakin .. .. .	4,635	4,690	1,191	41	1,232
Dimboola .. .. .	6,224	6,260	1,670	54	1,724
Donald .. .. .	2,864	2,870	762	28	790
Dundas .. .. .	3,903	3,920	998	40	1,038
Dunmunkle .. .. .	4,110	4,130	1,087	54	1,141
East Loddon .. .. .	1,446	1,460	387	20	407
Eltham (excluding South Riding)	3,942	3,970	1,156	238	1,394

VICTORIA—POPULATION OF AND DWELLINGS IN MUNICIPALITIES AT THE CENSUS OF 30TH JUNE, 1954, AND ESTIMATED POPULATION OF MUNICIPALITIES AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1954—*continued.*

Municipality.	Population.		Dwellings at Census.		
	Enumerated at Census 30th June, 1954.	Estimated at 31st December, 1954.	Occupied.	Un-occupied.	Total.
<i>Shires—continued.</i>					
Euroa .. .. .	4,476	4,510	1,257	46	1,303
Fern Tree Gully (excluding North, Centre, and East Ridings) .. .. .	3,427	3,460	1,036	447	1,483
Flinders .. .. .	12,072	12,430	3,266	3,139	6,405
Frankston and Hastings (excluding Seaford, Frankston, and Mt. Eliza Ridings) ..	2,622	2,640	757	69	826
Gisborne .. .. .	2,122	2,130	626	124	750
Glenelg .. .. .	5,949	5,990	1,595	89	1,684
Glenlyon .. .. .	2,273	2,280	681	172	853
Gordon .. .. .	2,969	2,970	792	65	857
Goulburn .. .. .	1,760	1,780	488	17	505
Grenville .. .. .	1,862	1,860	529	46	575
Hampden .. .. .	8,781	8,800	2,271	113	2,384
Healesville .. .. .	5,168	5,210	1,392	158	1,550
Heytesbury .. .. .	6,464	6,480	1,561	71	1,632
Huntly .. .. .	2,247	2,260	630	40	670
Kaniva .. .. .	2,290	2,300	602	18	620
Kara Kara .. .. .	1,663	1,660	448	40	488
Karkaroc .. .. .	4,424	4,430	1,099	52	1,151
Kerang .. .. .	8,483	8,550	2,168	109	2,277
Kilmore .. .. .	1,932	1,940	406	36	442
Korong .. .. .	2,986	2,990	880	58	938
Korumburra .. .. .	7,386	7,410	1,878	84	1,962
Kowree .. .. .	5,012	5,050	1,253	55	1,308
Kyneton .. .. .	6,063	6,090	1,788	170	1,958
Leigh .. .. .	1,096	1,120	320	14	334
Lexton .. .. .	1,350	1,350	350	43	393
Lillydale (excluding Western, North, and Southern Ridings) .. .. .	4,488	4,540	1,292	321	1,613
Lowan .. .. .	3,999	4,010	1,093	68	1,161
Maffra .. .. .	8,554	8,590	2,168	101	2,269
Maldon .. .. .	2,030	2,030	618	119	737
Mansfield .. .. .	5,023	5,090	1,321	126	1,447
Marong .. .. .	5,421	5,500	1,447	85	1,532
Melton .. .. .	1,424	1,430	400	24	424
Metcalfe .. .. .	2,425	2,430	700	26	726
Mildura .. .. .	15,727	15,790	4,150	108	4,258
Minhamite .. .. .	2,520	2,560	650	28	678
Mirboo .. .. .	1,862	1,870	490	17	507
Mornington .. .. .	5,793	5,910	1,611	580	2,191
Mortlake .. .. .	4,060	4,100	1,072	16	1,088

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Municipality.	Population.		Dwellings at Census.		
	Enumerated at Census 30th June, 1954.	Estimated at 31st December, 1954.	Occupied.	Un-occupied.	Total.
<i>Shires—continued.</i>					
Morwell .. .. .	13,033	13,090	3,254	80	3,334
Mount Rouse .. .. .	2,859	2,860	753	33	786
McIvor .. .. .	2,201	2,210	596	46	642
Narracan .. .. .	21,023	21,150	5,283	216	5,499
Newham and Woodend .. .. .	2,058	2,070	575	76	651
Newstead .. .. .	2,088	2,090	609	60	669
Numurkah .. .. .	8,027	8,130	2,025	103	2,128
Omoo .. .. .	2,072	2,070	563	46	609
Orbost .. .. .	5,492	5,510	1,397	165	1,562
Otway .. .. .	4,197	4,210	1,071	133	1,204
Oxley .. .. .	4,393	4,410	1,131	49	1,180
Phillip Island .. .. .	1,231	1,250	371	157	528
Portland .. .. .	7,056	7,090	1,825	167	1,992
Pyalong .. .. .	483	490	133	11	144
Ripon .. .. .	3,365	3,450	956	64	1,020
Rochester .. .. .	6,330	6,370	1,632	81	1,713
Rodney .. .. .	9,181	9,220	2,249	79	2,328
Romsey .. .. .	2,813	2,820	796	46	842
Rosedale .. .. .	3,860	3,900	1,027	166	1,193
Rutherglen .. .. .	2,897	2,910	809	43	852
Seymour .. .. .	11,596	11,710	1,906	57	1,963
Shepparton .. .. .	5,376	5,410	1,299	63	1,362
South Barwon .. .. .	11,016	11,430	2,920	384	3,304
South Gippsland .. .. .	4,882	4,890	1,257	45	1,302
Stawell .. .. .	2,286	2,290	642	109	751
Strathfieldsaye .. .. .	4,213	4,280	1,033	37	1,120
Swan Hill .. .. .	11,147	11,200	2,769	139	2,908
Talbot .. .. .	803	800	262	31	293
Tambo .. .. .	5,085	5,110	1,315	103	1,418
Towong .. .. .	4,385	4,430	1,106	81	1,187
Traralgon .. .. .	10,036	10,120	2,574	118	2,692
Tullaroop .. .. .	1,416	1,420	402	28	430
Tungamah .. .. .	2,258	2,260	572	55	627
Upper Murray .. .. .	2,521	2,540	642	27	669
Upper Yarra .. .. .	6,952	7,080	1,746	249	1,995
Violet Town .. .. .	1,424	1,420	386	26	412
Walpeup .. .. .	4,310	4,320	1,093	58	1,151
Wangaratta .. .. .	2,267	2,270	530	28	608
Wannon .. .. .	3,949	3,970	1,043	35	1,078
Waranga .. .. .	4,655	4,850	1,246	80	1,326
Warracknabeal .. .. .	4,861	4,890	1,307	59	1,366
Warragul .. .. .	8,605	8,710	2,183	59	2,242

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Municipality.	Population.		Dwellings at Census.		
	Enumerated at Census 30th June, 1954.	Estimated at 31st December, 1954.	Occupied.	Un-occupied.	Total.
<i>Shires—continued.</i>					
Warrnambool .. ..	8,920	8,940	2,083	134	2,217
Werribee (excluding Altona Riding) .. ..	9,414	9,480	1,937	80	2,017
Whittlesea .. ..	5,724	5,810	1,488	60	1,548
Wimmera .. ..	3,569	3,580	909	54	963
Winchelsea .. ..	4,361	4,390	1,205	304	1,509
Wodonga .. ..	10,924	10,810	1,822	68	1,890
Woorayl .. ..	7,046	7,120	1,855	275	2,130
Wycheproof .. ..	4,548	4,570	1,114	52	1,166
Yackandandah .. ..	3,131	3,130	796	29	825
Yarrawonga .. ..	3,770	3,820	935	30	965
Yea .. ..	2,866	2,870	792	95	887
Total Outside Melbourne Metropolitan Area ..	914,431	922,700	237,221	18,225	255,446

## SUMMARY.

Municipality.	Population.		Dwellings at Census.		
	Enumerated at Census 30th June, 1954.	Estimated at 31st December, 1954.	Occupied.	Un-occupied.	Total.
Municipalities in Melbourne Metropolitan Area ..	1,524,111	1,544,500	422,450	9,197	431,647
Municipalities outside Melbourne Metropolitan Area—					
Cities .. ..	180,104	181,370	48,238	1,229	49,467
Towns .. ..	22,405	22,610	6,093	300	6,393
Boroughs .. ..	69,875	70,570	19,019	881	19,900
Shires .. ..	642,047	648,150	163,707	15,815	179,522
Areas not incorporated as Municipalities—					
Yallourn Works Area ..	5,580	5,500	1,151	62	1,213
French Island .. ..	178	178	32	7	39
Migratory .. ..	8,041	7,999	..	..	..
Total Victoria ..	2,452,341	2,480,877	660,690	27,491	688,181

The populations of the statistical divisions of Victoria each Statistical Division enumerated at the Census of 1954 and estimated at 31st December, 1954, are shown in the following table:—

**VICTORIA—POPULATIONS OF STATISTICAL DIVISIONS AT CENSUS OF 1954, AND ESTIMATED AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1954.**

Statistical Division.	Census, 1954.			Estimated at 31st December, 1954.
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Persons.
1. Metropolitan .. .. .	747,712	776,399	1,524,111	1,544,500
2. Central .. .. .	109,015	100,432	209,447	212,498
3. North-Central .. .. .	36,805	30,936	67,741	68,420
4. Western .. .. .	90,656	89,395	180,051	181,380
5. Wimmera .. .. .	29,526	28,160	57,686	57,950
6. Mallee .. .. .	30,620	27,450	58,070	58,360
7. Northern .. .. .	70,920	68,973	139,893	141,350
8. North-Eastern .. .. .	41,496	37,274	78,770	79,060
9. Gippsland .. .. .	67,854	60,677	128,531	129,360
Migratory .. .. .	6,495	1,546	8,041	7,999
Total Victoria .. .. .	1,231,099	1,221,242	2,452,341	2,480,877

NOTE.—The boundaries of the Metropolitan Division were re-defined as from 1st January, 1954.

The next table shows the change which has taken place in the age constitution of the population of Victoria since 1947:—

**VICTORIA—AGE DISTRIBUTION OF THE POPULATION AT CENSUSES OF 1947 AND 1954.**

Age Last Birthday (Years).	Census, 1947.			Census, 1954.			Increase of Persons, 1947 to 1954.
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	
0-4 ..	100,830	96,409	197,239	132,184	126,151	258,335	61,096
5-9 ..	78,593	75,518	154,111	122,204	116,653	238,857	84,746
10-14 ..	68,738	66,655	135,393	92,175	88,632	180,807	45,414
15-19 ..	76,723	75,271	151,994	78,776	74,945	153,721	1,727
20-24 ..	82,121	83,762	165,883	83,734	77,106	160,930	(-) 4,953
25-29 ..	78,719	80,764	159,483	101,392	93,078	194,470	34,987
30-34 ..	78,988	81,337	160,325	100,487	95,108	195,595	35,270
35-39 ..	76,149	75,585	151,734	87,819	85,875	173,694	21,960
40-44 ..	71,431	67,871	139,302	85,548	84,036	172,584	33,282
45-49 ..	66,437	66,565	133,002	78,969	73,389	152,358	19,356
50-54 ..	58,920	63,955	122,875	69,714	67,798	137,512	14,637
55-59 ..	54,231	57,809	112,040	55,039	59,817	114,856	2,816
60-64 ..	42,105	47,274	89,379	50,136	58,306	108,442	19,063
65 and over ..	79,882	102,059	181,941	89,922	120,258	210,180	28,239
Total ..	1,013,867	1,040,834	2,054,701	1,231,099	1,221,242	2,452,341	397,640
Under 21 ..	340,417	330,031	670,448	440,629	420,827	861,456	191,008
21-64 ..	593,568	608,744	1,202,312	700,548	680,157	1,380,705	178,393
65 and over ..	79,882	102,059	181,941	89,922	120,258	210,180	28,239
Total ..	1,013,867	1,040,834	2,054,701	1,231,099	1,221,242	2,452,341	397,640

NOTE.—Minus sign (-) denotes decrease.

Numerical and percentage increases of the population in selected age-groups since 1947 are contrasted in the following table with corresponding increases from 1933 to 1947.

VICTORIA—INCREASE OF POPULATION IN AGE-GROUPS. CENSUSES, 1933 TO 1954.

Age Group (Years).	Census, 1933	Increase, 1933-1947.		Increase, 1947-1954.	
	Persons.	Numerical.	Percentage.	Numerical.	Percentage.
Under 21 .. ..	665,650	4,798	0·7	191,008	28·5
21-64 .. ..	1,017,070	185,242	18·2	178,393	14·8
65 and over .. ..	137,541	44,400	32·3	28,239	15·5
Total .. ..	1,820,261	234,440	12·9	397,640	19·4

**Conjugal Condition, 1947 and 1954.** The following table shows the population of Victoria classified according to conjugal condition:—

VICTORIA—CONJUGAL CONDITION OF POPULATION AT CENSUSES OF 1947 AND 1954.

Conjugal Condition.	Census, 1947.			Census, 1954.		
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.
Never Married—						
Under fifteen years of age .. ..	248,161	238,582	486,743	346,563	331,436	677,999
Fifteen years of age and over .. ..	245,767	219,852	465,619	257,342	196,891	454,233
Total—Never Married	493,928	458,434	952,362	603,905	528,327	1,132,232
Married .. ..	463,979	463,406	927,385	570,204	564,688	1,134,892
Married but permanently separated .. ..	15,291	18,550	33,841	15,214	18,144	33,358
Widowed .. ..	31,793	90,164	121,957	30,906	99,058	129,964
Divorced .. ..	5,689	6,774	12,463	7,250	9,062	16,312
Not stated .. ..	3,187	3,506	6,693	3,620	1,063	5,583
Total .. ..	1,013,867	1,040,834	2,054,701	1,231,099	1,221,242	2,452,341

Birthplace of  
the Population,  
1954.

The following table shows the birthplace of the  
population at the Census of 1954.

VICTORIA—BIRTHPLACE OF THE POPULATION AT  
CENSUS OF 1954.

Birthplace.	Census, 1954.		
	Males.	Females.	Persons.
<b>AUSTRALASIA—</b>			
Australia .. .. .	1,020,836	1,062,543	2,083,379
New Zealand .. .. .	5,456	5,675	11,131
Other .. .. .	118	139	257
<b>Total, Australasia .. .. .</b>	<b>1,026,410</b>	<b>1,068,357</b>	<b>2,094,767</b>
<b>EUROPE—</b>			
England .. .. .	66,190	57,498	123,688
Wales .. .. .	1,743	1,279	3,022
Scotland .. .. .	17,282	14,793	32,075
Northern Ireland .. .. .	1,808	1,295	3,103
Ireland, Republic of .. .. .	1,139	633	1,772
Ireland—Undefined .. .. .	4,753	3,315	8,068
Albania .. .. .	612	84	696
Austria .. .. .	2,064	1,899	3,963
Belgium .. .. .	288	325	613
Czechoslovakia .. .. .	2,579	1,489	4,068
Denmark .. .. .	428	202	630
Estonia .. .. .	652	697	1,349
France .. .. .	725	772	1,497
Germany .. .. .	11,029	10,743	21,772
Greece .. .. .	5,009	2,636	7,645
Hungary .. .. .	2,624	1,683	4,307
Italy .. .. .	27,709	14,720	42,429
Latvia .. .. .	3,021	2,672	5,693
Lithuania .. .. .	1,763	1,199	2,962
Malta .. .. .	4,469	2,662	7,131
Netherlands .. .. .	9,188	6,786	15,974
Norway .. .. .	481	112	593
Poland .. .. .	12,836	8,592	21,428
Romania .. .. .	619	441	1,060
Sweden .. .. .	474	106	580
Switzerland .. .. .	518	448	966
Ukraine .. .. .	2,710	1,968	4,678
U.S.S.R. .. .. .	1,685	1,706	3,391
Yugoslavia .. .. .	4,060	2,058	6,118
Other .. .. .	1,593	877	2,470
<b>Total, Europe .. .. .</b>	<b>190,051</b>	<b>143,690</b>	<b>333,741</b>
<b>ASIA—</b>			
China .. .. .	1,726	492	2,218
Cyprus .. .. .	1,760	636	2,396
Federation of Malaya .. .. .	436	209	645
India, Pakistan, Ceylon .. .. .	2,695	1,638	4,333
Indonesia .. .. .	551	283	834
Israel .. .. .	772	754	1,526
Syria and Lebanon .. .. .	321	224	545
Other .. .. .	1,310	754	2,064
<b>Total, Asia .. .. .</b>	<b>9,571</b>	<b>4,990</b>	<b>14,561</b>
<b>AFRICA—</b>			
Union of South Africa .. .. .	882	850	1,732
Egypt .. .. .	1,523	1,225	2,748
Other .. .. .	255	218	473
<b>Total, Africa .. .. .</b>	<b>2,660</b>	<b>2,293</b>	<b>4,953</b>
<b>AMERICA—</b>			
Canada .. .. .	582	480	1,062
United States .. .. .	1,349	905	2,254
Other .. .. .	221	211	432
<b>Total, America .. .. .</b>	<b>2,152</b>	<b>1,596</b>	<b>3,748</b>
<b>OTHER .. .. .</b>	<b>255</b>	<b>316</b>	<b>571</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL .. .. .</b>	<b>1,231,099</b>	<b>1,221,242</b>	<b>2,452,341</b>



**Nationality  
of the  
Population,  
1947 and 1954.**

The censuses of 1947 and 1954 show the nationality of the population as follows:—

VICTORIA—NATIONALITY OF THE POPULATION AT  
CENSUSES OF 1947 AND 1954.

Nationality.	Census, 30th June, 1947.			Census, 30th June, 1954.		
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.
BRITISH* ..	1,005,324	1,037,770	2,043,094	1,148,786	1,167,012	2,315,798
FOREIGN—						
American (U.S.)	617	270	887	1,042	606	1,648
Austrian ..	193	116	309	699	651	1,350
Chinese ..	1,030	82	1,112	1,401	189	1,590
Czechoslovakian	78	43	121	1,462	809	2,271
Dutch ..	468	191	659	9,255	7,035	16,290
Estonian ..	15	5	20	565	609	1,174
French ..	87	94	181	514	493	1,007
German ..	801	354	1,155	6,078	5,414	11,492
Greek ..	1,101	207	1,308	4,037	2,241	6,278
Hungarian ..	60	44	104	1,683	1,118	2,801
Italian ..	1,747	573	2,320	23,225	11,981	35,206
Latvian ..	13	11	24	2,092	2,814	5,806
Lithuanian ..	3	6	9	1,646	1,148	2,794
Norwegian ..	155	23	178	239	61	300
Polish ..	575	480	1,055	9,370	6,889	16,259
Portuguese ..	13	4	17	425	7	432
Romanian ..	9	13	22	267	180	447
Russian ..	57	36	93	548	495	1,043
Swiss ..	89	28	117	310	264	574
Ukrainian ..	†	†	†	3,185	2,453	5,638
Yugoslavian ..	128	25	153	3,450	2,045	5,495
Other ..	852	177	1,029	2,446	988	3,434
Stateless ..	452	282	734	7,474	5,740	13,214
Total, Foreign	8,543	3,064	11,607	82,313	54,230	136,543
GRAND TOTAL	1,013,867	1,040,834	2,054,701	1,231,099	1,221,242	2,452,341

\* Includes Irish.

† Included with U.S.S.R.

The next table shows the period of residence in Australia, at censuses of 1947 and 1954, of persons who were not born in Australia, in Australia :—

**VICTORIA—PERIOD OF RESIDENCE IN AUSTRALIA, AT CENSUSES OF 1947 AND 1954, OF PERSONS WHO WERE NOT BORN IN AUSTRALIA.**

Number of Completed Years of Residence (Years).	Census, 1947.			Census, 1954.		
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.
0 .. .. .	4,550	3,077	7,627	18,237	13,343	31,580
1 .. .. .	930	1,283	2,213	10,416	9,128	19,544
2 .. .. .	391	306	697	22,428	13,659	36,087
3 .. .. .	167	106	273	24,115	17,329	41,444
4 .. .. .	148	70	218	26,517	19,140	45,657
0-4 .. .. .	6,186	4,842	11,028	101,713	72,599	174,312
5 .. .. .	663	335	998	19,547	14,009	33,556
6 .. .. .	869	486	1,355	5,975	4,483	10,458
7 .. .. .	1,363	909	2,272	2,583	2,243	4,826
8 .. .. .	2,640	2,204	4,844	4,233	3,325	7,558
9 .. .. .	1,866	1,223	3,089			
10-14 .. .. .	3,471	3,227	6,698			
5-14 .. .. .	10,872	8,384	19,256	32,338	24,060	56,398
15 and over .. .. .	79,670	63,452	143,122	72,948	59,243	132,191
Not stated .. .. .	2,623	2,571	5,194	3,264	2,797	6,061
Born outside Australia .. .. .	99,351	79,240	178,600	210,263	158,699	368,962
Born in Australia .. .. .	914,516	961,585	1,876,101	1,020,836	1,062,548	2,083,379
Total .. .. .	1,013,867	1,040,834	2,054,701	1,231,099	1,221,242	2,452,341

The following table shows the religion of the population at censuses of 1947 and 1954 :—

**VICTORIA—RELIGION OF THE POPULATION AT CENSUSES OF 1947 AND 1954.**

Religion.	Census, 1947.			Census, 1954.		
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.
CHRISTIAN—						
Baptist .. .. .	14,803	17,217	32,020	16,084	18,232	34,316
Brethren .. .. .	1,125	1,459	2,584	1,479	1,782	3,261
Catholic, Roman (a) .. .. .	71,179	62,986	134,165	99,128	82,083	181,211
Catholic (a) .. .. .	133,744	151,752	285,496	188,492	194,951	383,443
Church of Christ .. .. .	13,746	15,976	29,722	15,797	17,811	33,608
Church of England .. .. .	360,028	369,874	729,902	413,591	418,882	832,473
Congregational .. .. .	5,058	6,316	11,374	5,417	6,505	11,922
Greek Orthodox .. .. .	(b)	(b)	(b)	12,219	7,902	20,121
Lutheran .. .. .	5,244	4,758	10,002	11,785	11,108	22,893
Methodist .. .. .	112,874	121,721	234,595	122,377	130,425	252,802
Presbyterian .. .. .	139,628	148,755	288,383	158,811	167,611	326,422
Protestant, undefined .. .. .	13,397	13,876	27,273	18,787	18,966	37,753
Salvation Army .. .. .	5,060	5,924	10,984	5,291	6,100	11,391

VICTORIA—RELIGION OF THE POPULATION AT CENSUSES OF 1947  
AND 1954—*continued.*

Religion.	Census, 1947.			Census, 1954.		
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.
<b>CHRISTIAN—<i>continued.</i></b>						
Seventh Day Adventist .. ..	1,298	1,978	3,276	1,906	2,562	4,468
Other .. ..	6,118	7,148	13,266	6,967	7,981	14,948
Total, Christian .. ..	883,302	929,740	1,813,042	1,078,131	1,092,901	2,171,032
<b>NON-CHRISTIAN—</b>						
Hebrew .. ..	7,696	7,214	14,910	12,211	11,805	24,016
Other .. ..	895	130	1,025	1,830	453	2,283
Total, Non-Christian .. ..	8,591	7,344	15,935	14,041	12,258	26,299
Indefinite .. ..	2,547	2,281	4,828	2,579	2,239	4,818
No Religion .. ..	5,517	2,441	7,958	4,564	2,073	6,637
No Reply .. ..	113,910	99,028	212,938	131,784	111,771	243,555
Grand Total .. ..	1,013,867	1,040,834	2,054,701	1,231,099	1,221,242	2,452,341

(a) So described on individual Census schedules.

(b) Not available.

In the following table the male and female populations of Victoria are classified according to the industry in which they are usually engaged:—

VICTORIA—INDUSTRY OF THE POPULATION CENSUS,  
30TH JUNE, 1954.

Industry.	Males.	Females.	Persons.
<b>(a) Primary production—</b>			
Agricultural, grazing, and dairying .. ..	102,949	8,355	111,304
Other .. ..	5,175	21	5,196
Total, Primary Production .. ..	108,124	8,376	116,500
<b>(b) Mining and quarrying .. ..</b>	4,463	123	4,586
<b>(c) Manufacturing—</b>			
Founding, engineering, and metalworking .. ..	65,219	10,006	75,225
Manufacture, assembly, and repair of ships, vehicles, parts and accessories .. ..	40,121	3,044	43,165
Manufacture of clothing, knitted goods, boots, shoes, &c. .. ..	19,561	36,518	56,079
Manufacture of food, drink, and tobacco .. ..	33,378	9,027	42,405
Paper, printing, bookbinding and photography .. ..	18,694	5,939	24,633
Other .. ..	75,259	24,638	99,897
Total, Manufacturing .. ..	252,232	89,172	341,404
<b>(d) Building and construction .. ..</b>	84,401	1,067	85,468
<b>(e) Transport and storage .. ..</b>	58,608	4,086	62,694
<b>(f) Communication .. ..</b>	17,870	4,936	22,806
<b>(g) Finance and property .. ..</b>	18,938	9,690	28,628
<b>(h) Commerce .. ..</b>	109,765	51,909	161,674
<b>(i) Public authority (N.E.I.) and professional activities .. ..</b>	72,584	51,521	124,105
<b>(j) Amusement, hotels, cafes, personal service, &amp;c. .. ..</b>	28,306	32,826	61,132
<b>(k) Electricity, gas, water, &amp;c. .. ..</b>	24,116	1,491	25,607
<b>(l) Industry inadequately described or not stated .. ..</b>	7,541	2,249	9,790
<b>(m) Persons not in work force .. ..</b>	444,151	963,796	1,407,947
Grand Total .. ..	1,231,099	1,221,242	2,452,341

**Occupational  
Status of the  
Population,  
1947 and 1954**

The following table shows the occupational status of the population at censuses of 1947 and 1954 :—

**VICTORIA—OCCUPATIONAL STATUS OF THE POPULATION  
AT CENSUSES OF 1947 AND 1954.**

Occupational Status.	Census, 1947.			Census, 1954.		
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.
<b>In work force—</b>						
<b>At work—</b>						
Employer .. ..	53,696	7,545	61,241	59,396	8,975	68,371
Self-employed .. ..	96,689	14,741	111,430	103,083	16,302	119,385
Employee (on wage or salary) .. ..	498,202	188,491	686,693	608,575	225,965	834,540
Helper (not on wage or salary) .. ..	7,356	1,138	8,494	5,154	2,751	7,905
<b>Total .. ..</b>	<b>653,943</b>	<b>211,915</b>	<b>867,858</b>	<b>776,208</b>	<b>253,993</b>	<b>1,030,201</b>
<b>Not at work (a) .. ..</b>	<b>13,838</b>	<b>4,191</b>	<b>18,029</b>	<b>9,659</b>	<b>2,997</b>	<b>12,656</b>
<b>Total in work force..</b>	<b>669,781</b>	<b>216,106</b>	<b>885,887</b>	<b>785,867</b>	<b>256,990</b>	<b>1,042,857</b>
Not in work force .. ..	339,269	823,390	1,162,659	444,151	963,796	1,407,947
Not stated .. ..	4,817	1,338	6,155	1,081	456	1,537
<b>Grand Total .. ..</b>	<b>1,013,867</b>	<b>1,040,834</b>	<b>2,054,701</b>	<b>1,231,099</b>	<b>1,221,242</b>	<b>2,452,341</b>

(a) Includes persons who were (1) unable to secure employment, (2) temporarily laid off from their jobs, and (3) not actively seeking work at the time of the Census on account of sickness or accident, industrial dispute, resting between jobs, or for any other reason.

Population  
Localities,  
Census, 1954.

The following is a list of extra-metropolitan localities in Victoria which contained a population of 1,000 persons or over at the Census of 30th June, 1954.

Locality.	Population.	Locality.	Population.
Alexandra .. ..	1,712	Mansfield .. ..	1,861
Ararat .. ..	7,414	Maryborough .. ..	6,827
Avoca .. ..	1,025	Merbein .. ..	1,768
Bacchus Marsh .. ..	2,825	Mildura .. ..	10,972
Bairnsdale .. ..	5,718	Moe .. ..	8,770
Ballaarat .. ..	39,945	Mooroopna .. ..	1,796
Beaufort .. ..	1,281	Mornington .. ..	3,589
Beechworth .. ..	3,153	Mortlake .. ..	1,048
Benalla .. ..	6,045	Morwell .. ..	9,040
Bendigo .. ..	28,726	Mount Beauty .. ..	1,782
Broadford .. ..	1,451	Murtoa .. ..	1,132
Camperdown .. ..	3,205	Myrtleford .. ..	1,538
Casterton .. ..	2,391	Nathalia .. ..	1,046
Castlemaine .. ..	6,577	Newborough .. ..	3,657
Charlton .. ..	1,408	Newtown and Chilwell .. ..	11,191
Cobram .. ..	1,695	Nhill .. ..	2,208
Cohuna .. ..	1,542	Numurkah .. ..	2,195
Colac .. ..	8,032	Ocean Grove .. ..	1,353
Coleraine .. ..	1,393	Orbost .. ..	2,214
Creswick .. ..	1,606	Ouyen .. ..	1,426
Daylesford .. ..	3,216	Pakenham East .. ..	1,110
Dimboola .. ..	1,814	Penshurst .. ..	1,026
Donald .. ..	1,480	Port Fairy .. ..	2,265
Dromana .. ..	1,257	Portland .. ..	4,759
Drouin .. ..	2,104	Queenscliff .. ..	2,551
Eaglehawk .. ..	4,696	Red Cliffs .. ..	2,361
Echuca .. ..	5,405	Rochester .. ..	1,791
Eildon Weir .. ..	2,913	Rosebud .. ..	1,694
Euroa .. ..	2,657	Rutherglen .. ..	1,370
Geelong .. ..	20,034	Rye .. ..	1,055
Geelong West .. ..	17,313	Sale .. ..	6,537
Hamilton .. ..	8,507	Sebastopol .. ..	3,265
Hastings .. ..	1,022	Seymour .. ..	3,736
Healesville .. ..	2,707	Shepparton .. ..	10,848
Heathcote .. ..	1,273	Shepparton East .. ..	1,071
Heyfield .. ..	2,184	Sorrento .. ..	1,823
Horsham .. ..	7,767	St. Arnaud .. ..	3,037
Irymple .. ..	1,068	Stawell .. ..	5,463
Kerang .. ..	3,227	Sunbury .. ..	2,385
Kilmore .. ..	1,474	Swan Hill .. ..	5,197
Koroit .. ..	1,401	Tatura .. ..	1,929
Korumburra .. ..	2,858	Terang .. ..	2,365
Kyabram .. ..	3,335	Tongala .. ..	1,465
Kyneton .. ..	3,232	Trafalgar .. ..	1,537
Lakes Entrance .. ..	1,252	Traralgon .. ..	8,845
Leongatha .. ..	2,304	Wangaratta .. ..	10,715
Maffra .. ..	3,161	Warburton .. ..	1,320

Locality.	Population.	Locality.	Population.
Warracknabeal .. ..	3,009	Woodend .. ..	1,093
Warragul .. ..	5,324	Wycheproof .. ..	1,006
Warrnambool .. ..	10,850	Yallourn North .. ..	1,457
Werribee .. ..	4,335	Yallourn Works Area .. ..	5,580
Werribee South .. ..	1,480	Yarragon .. ..	1,096
Winchelsea .. ..	1,234	Yarram .. ..	1,800
Wodonga .. ..	5,259	Yarrawonga .. ..	2,953
Wonthaggi .. ..	4,461	Yea .. ..	1,131