



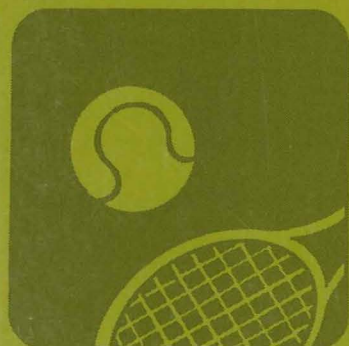
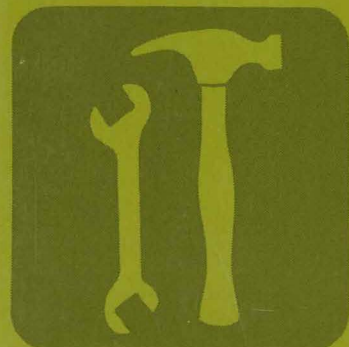
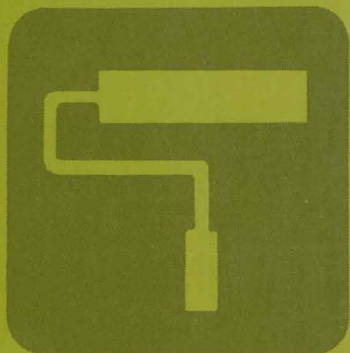
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PREFACE

This publication is one of a series presenting the final results from the 1984 Household Expenditure Survey (HES).

The principal aim of the survey was to measure levels and patterns of expenditure on commodities and services by private households in Australia, and to identify factors which influence these levels and patterns.

Tables in this publication present estimates for households with different characteristics. Table 1 presents broad level expenditure groups for households grouped into quintiles on the basis of gross weekly income. The remaining tables present data on how the amounts and distribution of expenditure in the broad level expenditure groups varied across households with different characteristics. Data is presented on the relation of expenditure to number of persons in the household (Tables 2-7), age of household head (Tables 8-12), family composition of household (Tables 13-24), employment status of head (Tables 25 and 26), nature of housing occupancy (Tables 27-32), and principal source of household income (Tables 33-41). Finally, Table 42 looks at how expenditure varied across households at different stages of the life cycle.

Information on the scope and coverage of the survey, the survey design, and the data collection methods and definitions used is detailed in Appendix 1: Explanatory Notes. Information on the reliability of the estimates, covering both sampling and non-sampling error, is contained in Appendixes 2 and 3. Details of the publications which have been released on the 1984 HES are shown in Appendix 4, together with information on the public use unit record tape and other means of disseminating data from the survey.

Special thanks are extended to all those households in the sample whose co-operation and high degree of response was vital to the success of the survey.

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SELECTED FINDINGS

Overview

This publication presents data on the levels and patterns of expenditure for households, focussing on how these vary between households with different characteristics. Income is a major factor in determining how the expenditure of households is distributed, and for this reason it is used extensively as a classificatory variable in the presentation of tables in this publication.

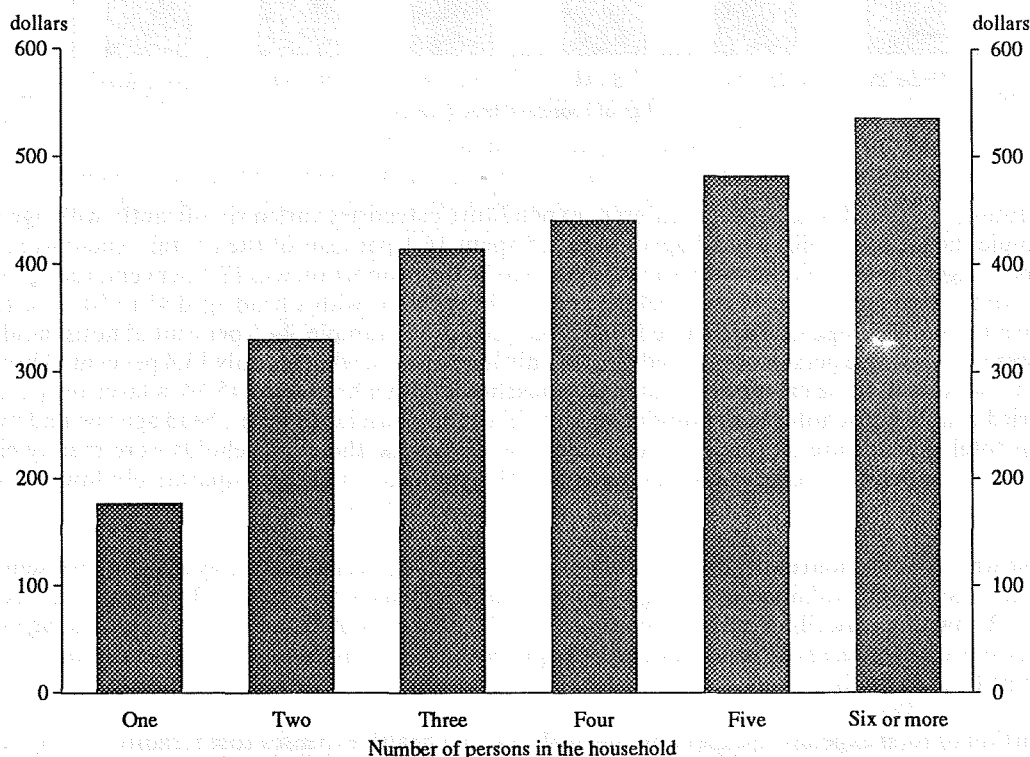
In 1984 the average expenditure on commodities and services for all households was \$361.84 per week. The proportion of total commodity and service expenditure allocated to current housing costs, fuel and power, and food and non-alcoholic beverages generally declined as gross income rose. In contrast, the proportions spent on alcohol, clothing and footwear, transport, and recreation generally increased with gross income (Table 1).

These broad patterns in the relationship between gross income and expenditure observed for the population of all households are generally preserved when households are disaggregated by various other characteristics. This shows the importance of taking income into account when assessing the differences in expenditure for households with varying characteristics.

Size of Household

The total amount spent on commodities and services by households was strongly related to the number of persons in the household (see Figure 1). Different expenditure categories had different 'economies of scale'. For example, the proportion spent on current housing costs declined as the number of persons rose, from 18.5 per cent of total expenditure on commodities and services for single person households to 9.7 per cent for households with six persons or more (Table 2). On the other hand, the proportion spent on food and non-alcoholic beverages rose from 17.9 per cent of total expenditure on commodities and services for single person households to 23.1 per cent for households with six or more persons.

FIGURE 1: AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE BY NUMBER OF PERSONS IN THE HOUSEHOLD, AUSTRALIA, 1984



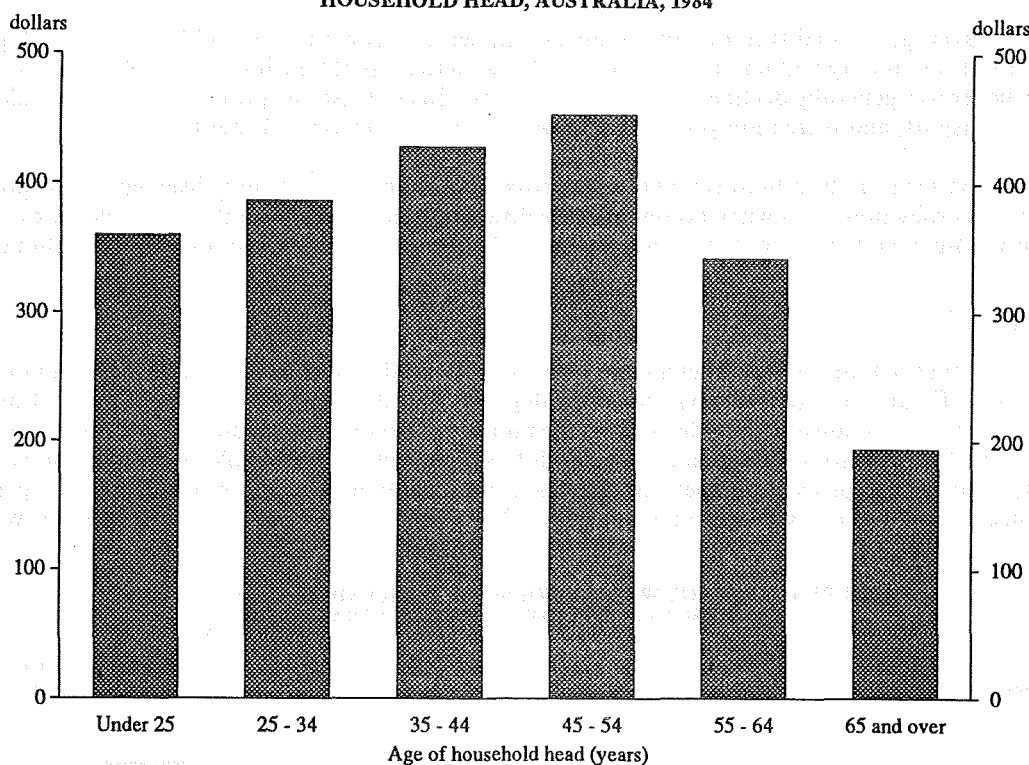
The characteristics of single person households varied significantly across gross income quintiles. Single persons in the bottom three income quintiles were on average significantly older than single persons in the top two income quintiles, and were twice as likely to own their home outright as the latter group (Table 3). This partly explains the smaller average amounts spent on current housing costs by the former group compared to the latter.

The majority (75.9 per cent) of two-person households were married couples without children (Table 4). Only 4.9 per cent of two-person households overall were single parents with one child, but this group accounted for a much larger proportion (15.4 per cent) of the two-person households in the lowest income quintile group.

Age of Household Head

Households with a head aged between 35 and 54 typically spent more (in dollar terms) on commodities and services than households with either younger or older heads (Figure 2). On average, the expenditure of households headed by persons aged 65 and over was much lower than the expenditure of households with younger heads.

FIGURE 2: AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE BY AGE OF HOUSEHOLD HEAD, AUSTRALIA, 1984



The distribution of expenditure between different expenditure categories varied significantly with age of household head. For example, households with a head aged under 25 spent 16.1 per cent of their total expenditure on food and non-alcoholic beverages; for households with a head aged 25 to 34 the proportion was 18.1 per cent, rising to 20.5 per cent for households with a head aged 35 to 44 and 20.4 per cent for households with a head aged 45 to 54. This trend is partly due to differences in family composition of these household types. For example, 44.5 per cent of households with a head aged under 25 were either single person or married couple only households, whereas only 13.4 per cent of households with a head aged 35 to 44 were in these categories. Amongst households with a head aged 45-54, a large proportion (35.5 per cent) were married couple households with non-dependent children. Households with a head aged 65 and over spent 22.6 per cent of their total expenditure on food and non-alcoholic beverages; these households were mainly either married couple only households (41.4 per cent) or single persons (41.8 per cent) with a comparatively low income and total expenditure.

The average weekly household expenditure on current housing costs declined steadily as age of household head rose. This trend is to a large extent explained by changes in nature of occupancy, with only 4.3 per cent of households with a head aged under 25 owning a dwelling outright, compared to 77.5 per cent of households with a head aged 65 and over. Further, within each age of household head category, the proportion of households buying their home rose consistently with gross income (Tables 9-13).

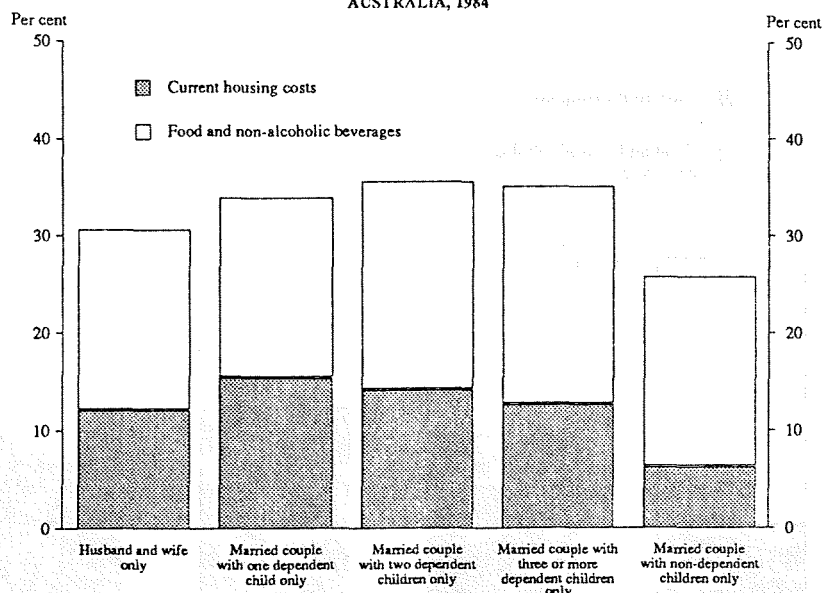
The proportion of total expenditure spent on medical care and health expenses rose steadily with age of head, from 2.5 per cent for households with a head aged under 25 to 5.2 per cent for households headed by a person aged 65 and over (Table 8).

Family Composition of Household

The analysis in this section focusses on four broad expenditure groups — current housing costs, food and non-alcoholic beverages, transport and recreation. As noted earlier, the proportions of total commodity and service expenditure spent on housing and food declined as household gross income rose, while the proportions spent on transport

and recreation rose with gross income. On the basis of this difference, and to highlight the relationship between household composition and the distribution of expenditure, the proportions allocated to housing and food are considered separately from the proportions allocated to transport and recreation.

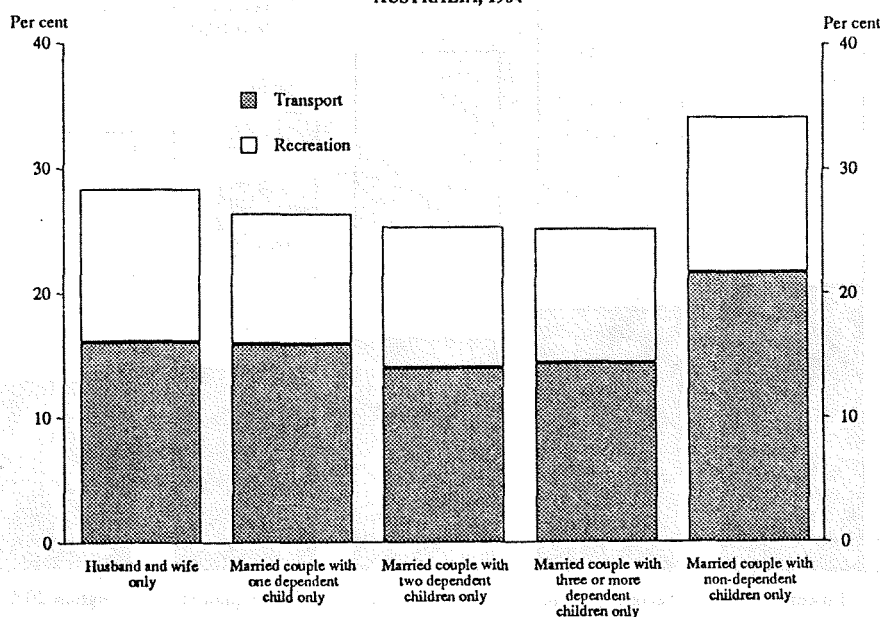
FIGURE 3: MARRIED COUPLE HOUSEHOLDS: PROPORTIONS OF HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE SPENT ON FOOD AND HOUSING BY HOUSEHOLD COMPOSITION, AUSTRALIA, 1984



For married couple households, the proportion of total expenditure on commodities and services spent on food and non-alcoholic beverages rose with the number of dependent children, from 18.5 per cent for households composed of husband and wife and one dependent child only, to 22.4 per cent for married couple households with three or more dependent children only (Figure 3).

The proportion of expenditure spent on housing followed a slightly different pattern amongst married couple households. For example, married couple households with three or more dependent children only typically spent a smaller proportion (12.9 per cent) on current housing costs than did married couple households with one dependent child only (15.6 per cent). Married couple households with non-dependent children only spent 6.4 per cent of their total expenditure on current housing costs. These trends in housing expenditure are partly explained by life-cycle considerations. For example, only 20.7 per cent of married couple households with one dependent child only owned their house outright, and the average age of the household head for these households was approximately 36 years. In comparison, 60.4 per cent of married couple households with non-dependent children only owned their home outright, and these households were headed by persons with an average age of approximately 56 years (Table 14).

FIGURE 4: MARRIED COUPLE HOUSEHOLDS: PROPORTIONS OF HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE SPENT ON TRANSPORT AND RECREATION BY HOUSEHOLD COMPOSITION, AUSTRALIA, 1984



Married couple households with non-dependent children only spent a considerably higher proportion of their expenditure on transport and a slightly higher proportion on recreation than married couple households with dependent children only (Figure 4).

FIGURE 5: OTHER THAN MARRIED COUPLE HOUSEHOLDS: PROPORTIONS SPENT ON FOOD AND HOUSING BY HOUSEHOLD COMPOSITION, AUSTRALIA 1984

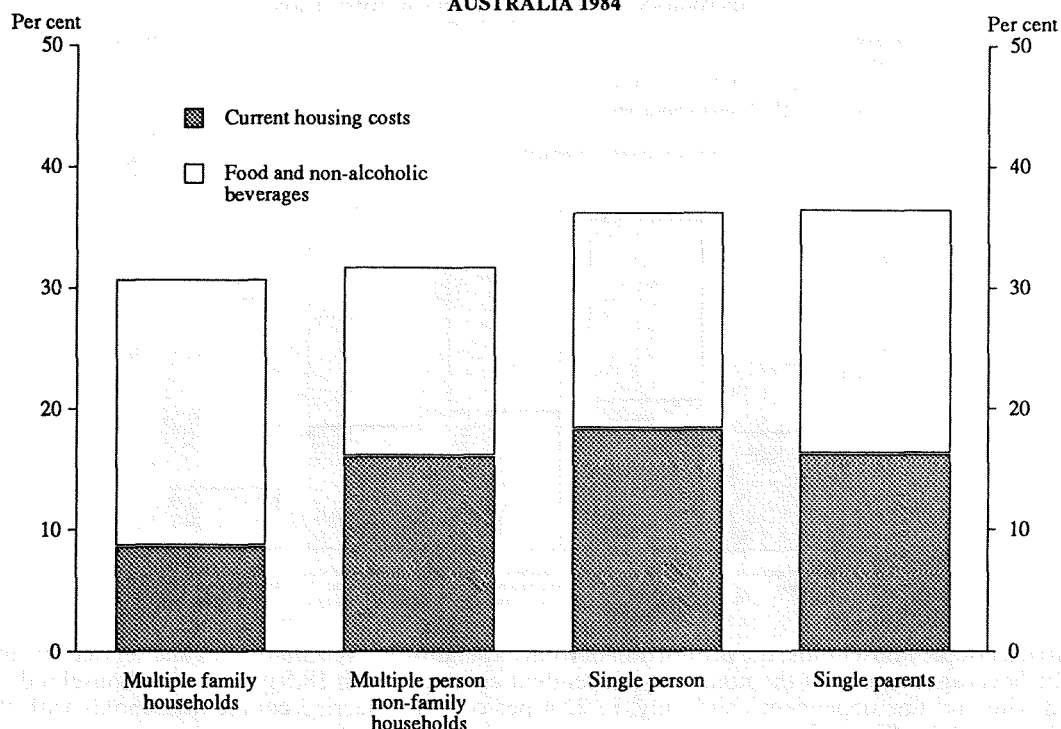
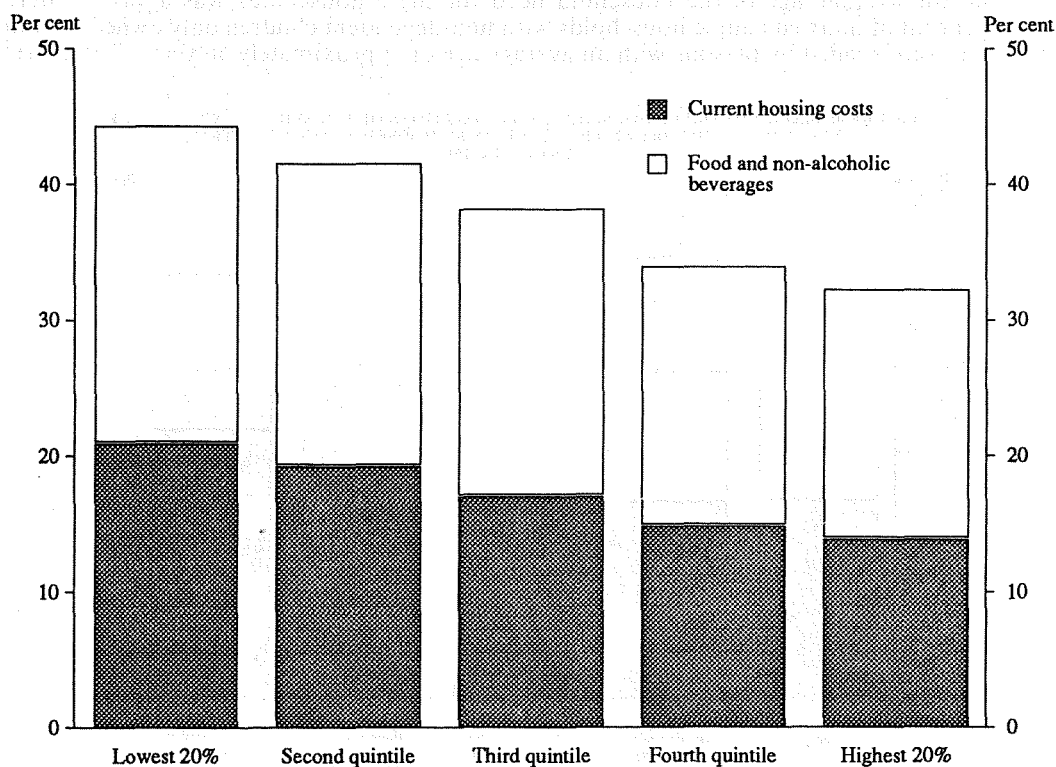


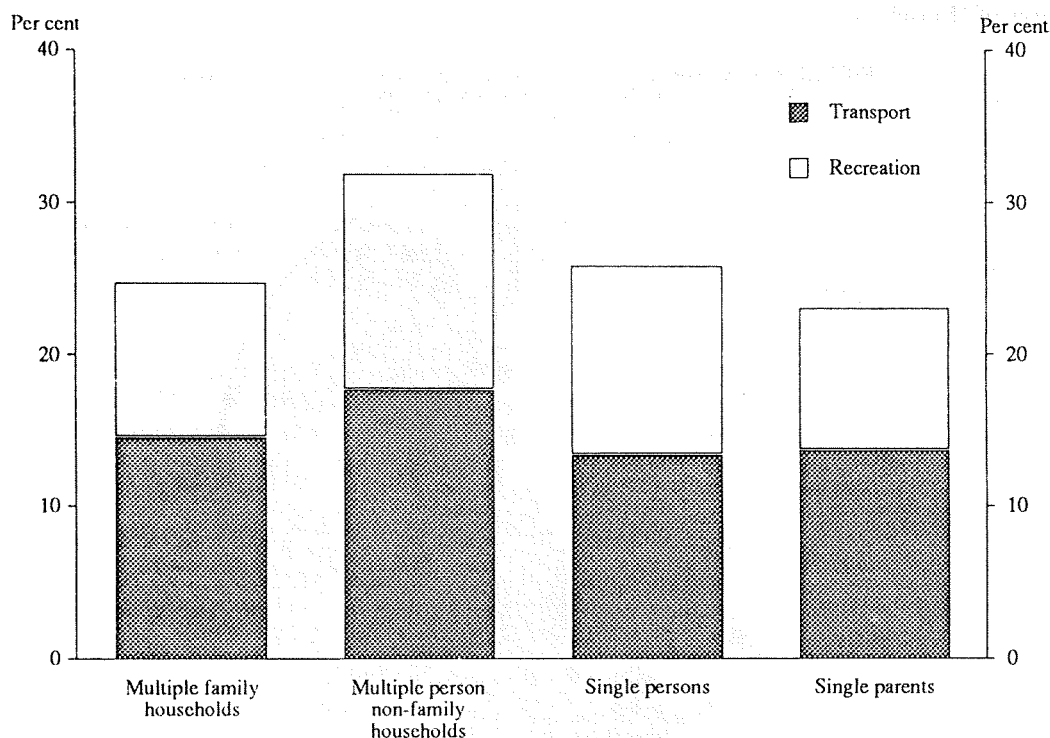
Figure 5 shows how expenditure on housing and food varied for households not containing married couples. In each case, the allocation of expenditure to these items varied significantly with household income. To highlight this, the distribution of expenditure on these items for single parent households by gross income quintile groups is shown in Figure 6.

FIGURE 6: SINGLE PARENT HOUSEHOLDS: PROPORTIONS SPENT ON FOOD AND HOUSING BY GROSS HOUSEHOLD INCOME QUINTILE GROUP, AUSTRALIA, 1984



In contrast to the relatively high proportions of expenditure spent on food and housing by single parent households, comparatively small proportions were spent on transport and recreation (see Figure 7).

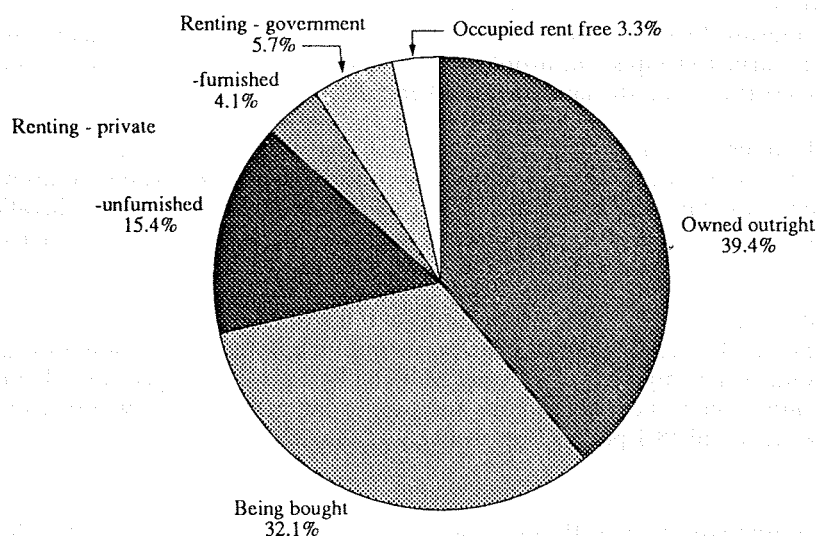
FIGURE 7. OTHER THAN MARRIED COUPLE HOUSEHOLDS: PROPORTIONS SPENT ON TRANSPORT AND RECREATION BY HOUSEHOLD COMPOSITION, AUSTRALIA, 1984



Nature of Housing Occupancy

Figure 8 shows how households were distributed according to six categories of housing occupancy. Home owners and home buyers were the largest groups.

FIGURE 8: PROPORTION OF HOUSEHOLDS BY NATURE OF HOUSING OCCUPANCY, AUSTRALIA, 1984



Households that owned their home outright were considerably 'older' than households in the other five categories—the average age of the household head was higher, and the number of persons aged 65 and over in these households was twice the national average (Table 26).

Households renting privately, whether furnished or unfurnished, spent a higher proportion of their total expenditure on current housing costs than households in the other categories.

Conversely, households renting privately spent proportionally less on household furnishings and equipment than other households (Table 26).

Principal Source of Household Income

FIGURE 9. PROPORTION OF HOUSEHOLDS BY PRINCIPAL SOURCE OF INCOME, AUSTRALIA, 1984

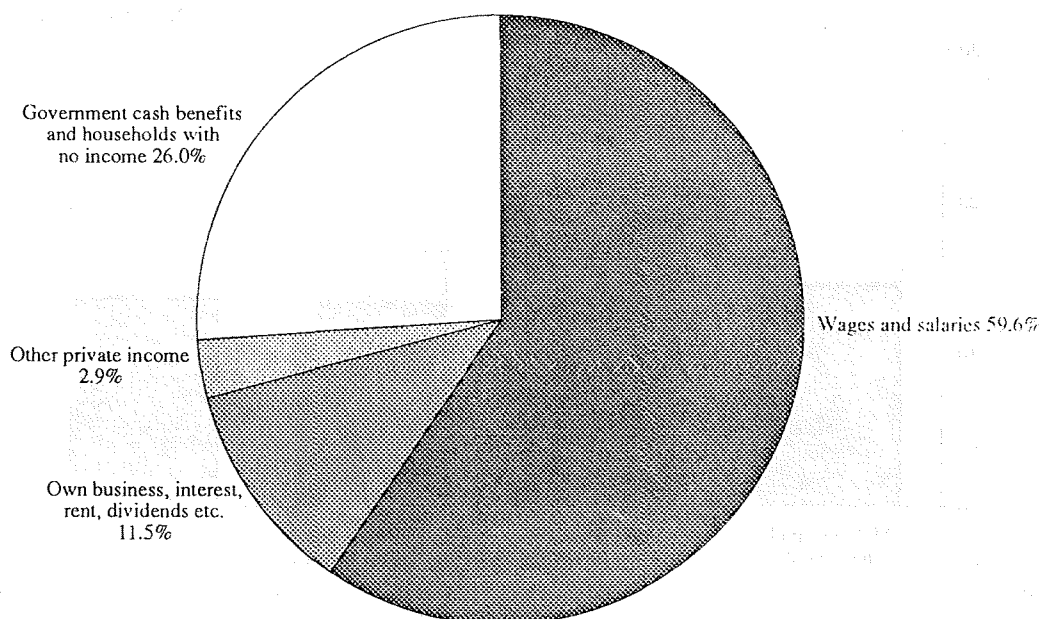


Figure 9 shows how households were distributed according to four categories of principal source of income. Wages and salaries and government cash benefits were the largest categories of principal source of income. Amongst households with government pensions and benefits as their principal source of income, more than half received an age, invalid or wife's pension as their principal source of income (Table 33).

Households with government pensions and benefits as their principal source of income spent a higher proportion of their total expenditure on housing, fuel and power and food than households with private income as their principal source of income. By contrast, the former group spent proportionally less on clothing and footwear, medical care and health expenses, transport, and recreation than the latter group (Table 32).

The average age of the household head, which was fairly consistent across income quintile groups for households with the same principal source of income (Tables 34-41), varied considerably between households with differing principal source of income. The range was from an average of 70.5 years for households with an age, invalid or wife's pension as principal source of income, to 37.3 years for households deriving their principal income from a supporting parent's or widow's pension.

There was also considerable variation in the proportions of households owning, buying and renting housing across the various types of households. Households deriving their principal income from superannuation and age/invalid/wife's pension had the highest home ownership rates of 75.8 per cent and 74.4 per cent respectively. Households deriving their principal income from unemployment/sickness benefits and supporting parent's/widows's pension had the lowest home ownership rates of 22.2 per cent and 18.1 per cent respectively (Table 32).

Life Cycle Groups

The expenditure of households varies with life cycle groups. The concept 'representative life cycle' is difficult to define because of the wide variety of life histories of households. Table 42 attempts to illustrate how expenditure varies with life cycle stage by specifying ten broad household types, defined in terms of family structure and age of household members, which are mutually exclusive and may be conceived of as representing successive stages of the life cycle of the adult members of households. The households falling within one or another of the types represented nearly 75 per cent of all households in Australia in 1984, and an even higher proportion of the total population within households.

For convenience, the comments that follow refer to trends in expenditure 'over the life cycle'. However, the cautions noted above regarding the representativeness of these groups as a 'typical' life cycle should be kept in mind.

The total amount spent on commodities and services generally rises through the early years of the life cycle, reaching a peak for households with both dependent and non-dependent children, and then declining to relatively low levels towards the end of the life cycle. This trend follows very closely the trend in household gross income over the life cycle.

Expenditure on current housing costs generally declines in the course of the life cycle, with married couple only households where the head is under 35 paying the most and single persons aged 65 and over the least. However, as total expenditure on commodities and services declines towards the end of the life cycle, the *proportion* allocated to current housing costs rises. For example, the proportion that single persons 65 and over spend on current housing costs is twice that of married couples with non-dependent children only.

These trends in current housing costs are closely related to the nature of occupancy figures. The proportion of households owning their dwelling outright ranges from a minimum of 5.5 per cent for married couple only households where the head is under 35, to a maximum of 83.7 per cent for married couple only households where the head is 65 and over.

The proportion of total service and commodity expenditure spent on medical care and health expenses generally increases as the life cycle of households proceeds. Households with non-dependent children spend a higher proportion of their total expenditure on transport than other household types, possibly reflecting a higher incidence of multiple car ownership amongst these households. Households with older dependent and non-dependent children spend more on food than other household types.

1984 HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE SURVEY

TABLE 1: HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME QUINTILE GROUP, AUSTRALIA(a)

	Weekly household gross income distribution(\$)					
	0-171	172-314	315-472	473-675	676 and over	
	Lowest 20%	Second quintile group	Third quintile group	Fourth quintile group	Highest 20%	All households
Broad expenditure group(b)						
Average weekly household expenditure (\$)(c)						
Commodity or service						
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	25.92	35.20	50.27	55.13	65.85	46.46
Fuel and power	7.25	9.28	10.68	11.53	14.06	10.56
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	38.53	57.70	69.23	81.73	108.97	71.22
Alcoholic beverages	3.88	8.12	11.53	15.48	22.52	12.30
Tobacco	3.13	5.50	6.21	6.54	7.25	5.73
Clothing and footwear	8.82	15.43	19.90	25.64	47.56	23.46
Household furnishings and equipment	11.49	19.38	26.12	34.12	47.38	27.69
Household services and operation	9.55	13.10	14.85	17.15	23.85	15.70
Medical care and health expenses	6.14	10.42	14.42	16.58	22.82	14.07
Transport	19.98	41.67	56.02	72.18	105.25	59.00
Recreation	16.75	27.24	39.80	51.56	80.38	43.13
Personal care	3.18	4.77	5.98	7.76	11.33	6.60
Miscellaneous commodities and services	9.73	14.42	22.88	32.86	49.81	25.93
Total commodity or service expenditure	164.35	262.23	347.88	428.26	607.04	361.84
Selected other payments						
Income tax	6.28	25.90	66.28	105.15	197.07	80.07
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	1.76	3.32	6.73	8.80	11.83	6.49
Other capital housing costs	7.25	7.64	16.66	21.39	37.16	18.01
Superannuation and life insurance	0.93	3.46	10.37	16.40	26.43	11.51
Proportion of total expenditure on commodities and services (%)						
Commodity or service						
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	15.8	13.4	14.5	12.9	10.9	12.8
Fuel and power	4.4	3.5	3.1	2.7	2.3	2.9
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	23.4	22.0	19.9	19.1	18.0	19.7
Alcoholic beverages	2.4	3.1	3.3	3.6	3.7	3.4
Tobacco	1.9	2.1	1.8	1.5	1.2	1.6
Clothing and footwear	5.4	5.9	5.7	6.0	7.8	6.5
Household furnishings and equipment	7.0	7.4	7.5	8.0	7.8	7.7
Household services and operation	5.8	5.0	4.3	4.0	3.9	4.3
Medical care and health expenses	3.7	4.0	4.1	3.9	3.8	3.9
Transport	12.2	15.9	16.1	16.9	17.3	16.3
Recreation	10.2	10.4	11.4	12.0	13.2	11.9
Personal care	1.9	1.8	1.7	1.8	1.9	1.8
Miscellaneous commodities and services	5.9	5.5	6.6	7.7	8.2	7.2
Total commodity or service expenditure	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

(a) The quintile groups in this table are 20% groupings of the estimated population when households are ranked in ascending order according to each household's total gross weekly income. (b) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 HES Information Paper (6527.0). (c) The average obtained when the total estimated expenditure for a particular broad expenditure group is divided by the estimated number of households within the scope of the survey in the relevant quintile group.

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TABLE 1 : HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME QUINTILE GROUP, AUSTRALIA(a)—continued

Household characteristics		Weekly household gross income distribution(\$)					All households
		0-171	172-314	315-472	473-675	676 and over	
		Lowest 20%	Second quintile group	Third quintile group	Fourth quintile group	Highest 20%	
Average weekly household income\$(b)		116.23	238.47	389.13	568.57	956.97	453.60
Proportion of total income being:							
Wages and salaries	%	3.0	38.6	74.8	83.1	80.1	71.6
Own business	%	4.2	9.7	8.2	6.2	10.1	8.5
Government pensions and benefits	%	81.9	36.3	8.3	4.2	1.9	11.3
Other	%	10.9	15.3	8.7	6.5	7.9	8.6
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average age of household head (years)		59.7	49.6	42.0	40.9	43.0	47.1
Average number of persons per household:							
Under 18 years	No.	0.30	0.83	1.12	1.07	1.00	0.86
18 to 64 years	No.	0.73	1.42	1.80	2.04	2.50	1.70
65 years and over	No.	0.64	0.42	0.14	0.09	0.08	0.27
Total	No.	1.67	2.68	3.06	3.20	3.57	2.84
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:							
Owned outright	%	57.0	46.4	30.6	29.5	33.7	39.4
Being bought	%	9.2	20.8	38.0	44.6	47.8	32.1
Renting—government	%	10.6	7.2	5.9	3.1	1.8	5.7
Renting—private	%	17.9	21.4	22.8	20.5	14.9	19.5
Occupied rent-free	%	5.3	4.2	2.8	2.4	1.9	3.3
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average number of employed persons per household(c)		No.	0.20	0.67	1.21	1.66	1.20
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:							
Married couple:							
—only	%	25.8	32.4	17.8	22.8	20.7	23.9
—with dependent children only	%	7.4	27.3	42.9	40.2	30.6	29.7
—other	%	1.3	6.5	9.9	16.9	33.2	13.5
Single parent one family household only	%	9.4	7.7	4.0	2.2	1.6	5.0
Single person household	%	53.8	16.9	15.8	7.0	2.1	19.1
Other(d)	%	2.4	9.1	9.6	11.1	11.8	8.8
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Estimated number of households being in (e):							
Capital cities	(' 000)	610.5	579.4	643.0	706.6	740.3	3,279.9
Other urban areas	(' 000)	294.9	311.6	282.6	236.5	214.6	1,340.1
Rural areas	(' 000)	100.0	122.1	81.6	64.6	50.9	419.2
Number of households in sample		No.	1,772	1,811	1,933	2,017	2,038
Estimated total number in population:							
Households	(' 000)	1,005.5	1,013.1	1,007.2	1,007.7	1,005.7	5,039.2
Persons	(' 000)	1,683.3	2,710.4	3,081.3	3,222.7	3,593.2	14,290.8

(a) The quintile groups in this table are 20% groupings of the estimated population when households are ranked in ascending order according to each household's total gross weekly income. (b) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (c) See paragraph 16 of the Explanatory Notes. (d) Includes married couple and single parent families living in multiple family households. (e) See paragraphs 17-19 of the Explanatory Notes.

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TABLE 2 : HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY NUMBER OF PERSONS IN HOUSEHOLD, AUSTRALIA

Broad expenditure group(a)	Number of persons in household						Total
	One	Two	Three	Four	Five	Six or more	
Average weekly household expenditure (\$)(b)							
Commodity or service							
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	33.05	43.88	50.80	55.91	52.87	52.13	46.46
Fuel and power	5.89	9.41	11.74	12.77	14.69	16.03	10.56
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	31.97	60.67	77.67	93.45	104.28	124.16	71.22
Alcoholic beverages	6.68	12.61	15.17	13.63	12.96	16.36	12.30
Tobacco	2.89	5.11	7.46	6.82	7.18	8.11	5.73
Clothing and footwear	8.16	19.80	27.60	29.81	37.68	42.16	23.46
Household furnishings and equipment	13.90	29.30	32.50	31.97	31.14	31.93	27.69
Household services and operation	8.88	14.63	17.89	18.86	20.46	20.70	15.70
Medical care and health expenses	6.52	12.90	16.75	17.11	19.50	20.36	14.07
Transport	24.09	53.44	75.21	70.44	80.02	94.27	59.00
Recreation	22.45	41.70	47.90	52.71	54.49	58.83	43.13
Personal care	3.50	5.91	7.94	8.04	8.54	9.62	6.60
Miscellaneous commodities and services	10.94	23.38	28.34	31.62	40.73	43.54	25.93
Total commodity or service expenditure	178.92	332.75	416.97	443.15	484.54	538.19	361.84
Selected other payments							
Income tax	38.91	72.64	93.85	101.27	108.20	107.76	80.07
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	2.51	5.58	7.42	9.15	9.03	9.61	6.49
Other capital housing costs	9.78	15.81	18.12	18.47	31.54	*37.81	18.01
Superannuation and life insurance	4.65	9.27	13.36	16.48	17.38	16.21	11.51
Proportion of total expenditure on commodities and services (%)							
Commodity or service							
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	18.5	13.2	12.2	12.6	10.9	9.7	12.8
Fuel and power	3.3	2.8	2.8	2.9	3.0	3.0	2.9
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	17.9	18.2	18.6	21.1	21.5	23.1	19.7
Alcoholic beverages	3.7	3.8	3.6	3.1	2.7	3.0	3.4
Tobacco	1.6	1.5	1.8	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.6
Clothing and footwear	4.6	6.0	6.6	6.7	7.8	7.8	6.5
Household furnishings and equipment	7.8	8.8	7.8	7.2	6.4	5.9	7.7
Household services and operation	5.0	4.4	4.3	4.3	4.2	3.9	4.3
Medical care and health expenses	3.7	3.9	4.0	3.9	4.0	3.8	3.9
Transport	13.5	16.1	18.0	15.9	16.5	17.5	16.3
Recreation	12.6	12.5	11.5	11.9	11.3	10.9	11.9
Personal care	2.0	1.8	1.9	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8
Miscellaneous commodities and services	6.1	7.0	6.8	7.1	8.4	8.1	7.2
Total commodity or service expenditure	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

(a) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 HES Information Paper (6527.0).

(b) The average obtained when the total estimated expenditure for a particular broad expenditure group is divided by the estimated number of households within the scope of the survey in the relevant category of number of persons.

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TABLE 2 : HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY NUMBER OF PERSONS IN HOUSEHOLD, AUSTRALIA—continued

Household characteristics		Number of persons in household						Total
		One	Two	Three	Four	Five	Six or more	
Average weekly household income\$(a)		224.32	415.09	517.40	565.71	612.12	655.87	453.60
Proportion of total income being:								
Wages and salaries	%	56.7	66.8	75.8	78.7	74.6	70.9	71.6
Own business	%	7.3	6.6	7.8	9.6	11.3	10.9	8.5
Government pensions and benefits	%	22.1	14.4	9.1	6.2	7.9	13.2	11.3
Other	%	13.8	12.3	7.4	5.5	6.2	5.0	8.6
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average age of household head (years)		56.1	51.2	42.9	39.6	40.2	41.2	47.1
Average number of persons per household:								
Under 18 years	No.	0.00	0.06	0.73	1.68	2.59	3.60	0.86
18 to 64 years	No.	0.58	1.45	2.14	2.28	2.37	2.72	1.70
65 years and over	No.	0.42	0.50	0.13	0.04	0.05	0.08	0.27
Total	No.	1.00	2.00	3.00	4.00	5.00	6.40	2.84
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:								
Owned outright	%	47.0	48.2	32.9	29.4	32.1	27.7	39.4
Being bought	%	13.9	24.3	38.3	47.9	45.2	45.8	32.1
Renting—government	%	5.5	4.7	5.5	5.5	7.9	10.8	5.7
Renting—private	%	28.6	20.1	19.4	14.9	11.9	12.4	19.5
Occupied rent-free	%	5.0	2.7	3.8	2.4	2.9	*3.3	3.3
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average number of employed persons per household(b)	No.	0.42	0.96	1.46	1.67	1.81	1.93	1.20
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:								
Married couple:								
—only	%	0.0	75.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	23.9
—with dependent children only	%	0.0	0.0	48.4	70.4	63.6	51.7	29.7
—other	%	0.0	0.0	31.0	21.3	29.4	36.4	13.5
Single parent one family household only	%	0.0	4.9	12.7	4.5	3.8	3.7	5.0
Single person household	%	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	19.1
Other(c)	%	0.0	19.3	8.0	3.8	3.3	8.2	8.8
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Estimated number of households being in (d):								
Capital cities	('000)	650.7	1,010.9	552.0	641.5	288.1	136.7	3,279.9
Other urban areas	('000)	261.4	451.4	206.2	239.7	113.9	67.4	1,340.1
Rural areas	('000)	49.4	126.1	67.3	88.3	58.2	30.0	419.2
Number of households in sample	No.	1,733	2,943	1,638	1,932	897	428	9,571
Estimated total number in population:								
Households	('000)	961.5	1,588.4	825.5	969.6	460.2	234.0	5,039.2
Persons	('000)	961.5	3,176.8	2,476.6	3,878.3	2,300.8	1,496.8	14,290.8

(a) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (b) See paragraph 16 of the Explanatory Notes. (c) Includes married couple and single parent families living in multiple family households. (d) See paragraphs 17-19 of the Explanatory Notes.

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TABLE 3 : SINGLE PERSON HOUSEHOLDS : EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME QUINTILE GROUP, AUSTRALIA(a)

Weekly household gross income distribution(\$)						
	0-91	92-107	108-203	204-354	355 and over	All households
	Lowest 20%	Second quintile group	Third quintile group	Fourth quintile group	Highest 20%	
Broad expenditure group(b)						
	Average weekly household expenditure (\$)(c)					
Commodity or service						
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	20.72	20.09	26.97	44.26	53.26	33.05
Fuel and power	5.60	5.22	6.08	5.77	6.81	5.89
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	24.78	25.26	28.64	37.85	43.38	31.97
Alcoholic beverages	2.66	2.47	3.31	10.10	14.86	6.68
Tobacco	2.33	1.87	1.73	4.30	4.20	2.89
Clothing and footwear	4.48	4.64	8.74	11.98	10.97	8.16
Household furnishings and equipment	7.18	6.22	13.05	15.29	27.82	13.90
Household services and operation	7.47	7.38	10.28	9.28	10.02	8.88
Medical care and health expenses	4.75	3.50	6.93	8.25	9.21	6.52
Transport	9.18	8.13	18.66	36.42	48.18	24.09
Recreation	10.71	12.22	17.77	27.12	44.52	22.45
Personal care	1.80	2.22	3.91	5.49	4.05	3.50
Miscellaneous commodities and services	6.79	4.64	8.28	15.90	19.15	10.94
Total commodity or service expenditure	108.45	103.86	154.36	232.02	296.43	178.92
Selected other payments						
Income tax	4.04	1.25	12.12	55.91	121.56	38.91
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	0.51	0.20	1.03	4.33	6.50	2.51
Other capital housing costs	*6.30	*8.00	*4.21	*9.46	*20.97	9.78
Superannuation and life insurance	0.57	0.24	0.67	5.16	16.68	4.65
Household characteristics						
Average weekly household income (\$)(d)	78.89	97.89	142.35	288.70	514.84	224.32
Proportion of total income being:						
Wages and salaries	% 1.5	1.0	13.0	76.8	76.7	56.7
Own business	% 2.6	1.4	6.0	3.9	11.5	7.3
Government pensions and benefits	% 91.0	90.3	52.9	3.4	0.6	22.1
Other	% 5.0	7.3	28.0	15.9	11.3	13.8
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average age of single person (years)	62.5	68.2	64.8	43.2	41.6	56.1
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:						
Owned outright	% 59.0	58.9	63.9	25.6	27.5	47.0
Being bought	% 5.4	4.3	9.3	22.2	28.3	13.9
Renting—government	% 10.0	11.0	2.6	1.3	2.6	5.5
Renting—private	% 17.3	20.0	19.7	46.5	39.6	28.6
Occupied rent-free	% *8.3	*5.9	*4.5	*4.4	*2.0	5.0
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average number of employed persons per household(e)	No. 0.08	0.05	0.21	0.83	0.93	0.42
Estimated number of households being in (f):						
Capital cities	(' 000) 126.9	122.1	114.4	141.9	145.5	650.7
Other urban areas	(' 000) 51.5	62.4	66.0	42.4	39.2	261.4
Rural areas	(' 000) 13.5	9.2	11.1	8.7	6.9	49.4
Number of households in sample	No. 346	345	308	362	372	1,733
Estimated total number in population:						
Households	(' 000) 191.9	193.6	191.4	193.0	191.6	961.5
Persons	(' 000) 191.9	193.6	191.4	193.0	191.6	961.5

(a) The quintile groups in this table are 20% groupings of the estimated table population when households are ranked in ascending order according to each household's total gross weekly income. (b) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 HES Information Paper (6527.0). (c) The average obtained when the total estimated expenditure for a particular broad expenditure group is divided by the estimated number of households within the scope of the survey in the relevant quintile group. (d) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (e) See paragraph 16 of the Explanatory Notes. (f) See paragraphs 17-19 of the Explanatory Notes.

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TABLE 4: HOUSEHOLDS WITH TWO PERSONS: EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME QUINTILE GROUP, AUSTRALIA(a)

		Weekly household gross income distribution(\$)					
		0-168	169-261	262-437	438-632	633 and over	
		Lowest 20%	Second quintile group	Third quintile group	Fourth quintile group	Highest 20%	All households
Broad expenditure group(b)							
		Average weekly household expenditure (\$)(c)					
Commodity or service							
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)		27.71	22.89	42.14	53.97	72.72	43.88
Fuel and power		8.48	9.10	9.24	10.02	10.23	9.41
Food and non-alcoholic beverages		45.89	51.43	59.73	67.31	79.01	60.67
Alcoholic beverages		5.41	8.07	12.74	15.91	20.93	12.61
Tobacco		4.10	4.09	6.11	5.92	5.33	5.11
Clothing and footwear		11.27	14.26	16.35	23.07	34.09	19.80
Household furnishings and equipment		13.68	18.40	24.75	35.46	54.23	29.30
Household services and operation		11.04	12.87	14.67	14.66	19.90	14.63
Medical care and health expenses		6.77	8.95	15.44	15.91	17.43	12.90
Transport		27.92	35.86	50.98	72.10	80.32	53.44
Recreation		20.24	27.44	35.48	52.67	72.72	41.70
Personal care		3.58	4.19	5.49	7.35	8.93	5.91
Miscellaneous commodities and services		13.51	9.09	20.41	35.99	37.95	23.38
Total commodity or service expenditure		199.60	226.65	313.54	410.33	513.77	332.75
Selected other payments							
Income tax		7.10	11.45	58.64	103.04	183.13	72.64
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)		3.08	1.29	3.27	7.59	12.69	5.58
Other capital housing costs		*5.15	*7.64	*7.82	*19.76	*38.74	15.81
Superannuation and life insurance		0.73	1.48	7.09	13.40	23.67	9.27
Household characteristics							
Average weekly household income (\$)(d)		139.14	202.06	344.00	533.57	857.18	415.09
Proportion of total income being:							
Wages and salaries	%	1.4	11.6	60.2	83.8	82.5	66.8
Own business	%	3.6	4.6	7.6	5.0	8.1	6.6
Government pensions and benefits	%	87.6	62.3	11.3	1.9	0.2	14.4
Other	%	7.4	21.5	21.0	9.4	9.2	12.3
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average age of household head (years)		58.4	63.6	52.7	41.9	39.0	51.2
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:							
Owned outright	%	58.4	74.0	51.2	31.3	26.2	48.2
Being bought	%	10.6	10.4	23.1	32.0	45.7	24.3
Renting—government	%	12.5	3.2	4.4	2.6	0.9	4.7
Renting—private	%	15.9	10.2	18.5	30.6	25.2	20.1
Occupied rent-free	%	2.7	2.2	2.8	3.6	2.1	2.7
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average number of employed persons per household(e)		No. 0.16	0.30	0.97	1.59	1.81	0.96
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:							
Married couple only	%	77.9	77.7	73.2	71.6	78.8	75.9
Single parent one family household only	%	15.4	3.6	3.3	1.6	0.4	4.9
Other(f)	%	6.6	18.7	23.6	26.8	20.8	19.3
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Estimated number of households being in (g):							
Capital cities	(' 000)	184.4	189.1	175.6	217.0	244.8	1,010.9
Other urban areas	(' 000)	97.8	98.0	110.2	84.4	60.9	451.4
Rural areas	(' 000)	34.2	31.5	32.7	16.3	11.4	126.1
Number of households in sample		No. 558	549	596	608	632	2,943
Estimated total number in population:							
Households	(' 000)	316.4	318.6	318.5	317.8	317.1	1,588.4
Persons	(' 000)	632.8	637.1	637.1	635.6	634.1	3,176.8

(a) The quintile groups in this table are 20% groupings of the estimated table population when households are ranked in ascending order according to each household's total gross weekly income. (b) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 HES Information Paper (6527.0). (c) The average obtained when the total estimated expenditure for a particular broad expenditure group is divided by the estimated number of households within the scope of the survey in the relevant quintile group. (d) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (e) See paragraph 16 of the Explanatory Notes. (f) Includes multiple person non-family households. (g) See paragraphs 17-19 of the Explanatory Notes.

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TABLE 5: HOUSEHOLDS WITH THREE PERSONS: EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME QUINTILE GROUP, AUSTRALIA(a)

	Weekly household gross income distribution(\$)					All households
	0-246	247-392	393-549	550-739	740 and over	
	Lowest 20%	Second quintile group	Third quintile group	Fourth quintile group	Highest 20%	
<i>Broad expenditure group(b)</i>						
	Average weekly household expenditure \$(c)					
Commodity or service						
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	35.21	48.54	51.18	52.27	66.81	50.80
Fuel and power	9.56	11.34	12.00	11.27	14.52	11.74
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	60.18	66.65	77.00	83.95	100.57	77.67
Alcoholic beverages	6.49	9.55	13.88	20.00	25.90	15.17
Tobacco	6.61	6.69	7.39	9.05	7.56	7.46
Clothing and footwear	18.24	18.95	25.89	29.35	45.60	27.60
Household furnishings and equipment	18.83	25.88	41.70	33.23	42.89	32.50
Household services and operation	11.76	16.24	17.30	20.05	24.12	17.89
Medical care and health expenses	8.42	14.89	15.91	17.82	26.71	16.75
Transport	42.56	61.83	65.13	84.99	121.57	75.21
Recreation	22.81	36.96	45.36	55.21	79.21	47.90
Personal care	4.84	5.83	7.64	10.05	11.33	7.94
Miscellaneous commodities and services	16.03	19.75	25.84	31.02	49.09	28.34
Total commodity or service expenditure	261.55	343.11	406.24	458.27	615.88	416.97
Selected other payments						
Income tax	15.44	45.46	80.12	112.96	215.44	93.85
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	2.39	6.76	8.81	8.09	11.07	7.42
Other capital housing costs	*14.23	*12.20	*20.39	*17.05	*26.76	18.12
Superannuation and life insurance	2.60	6.57	13.31	16.64	27.68	13.36
<i>Household characteristics</i>						
<i>Average weekly household income\$(d)</i>	<i>171.12</i>	<i>322.39</i>	<i>467.44</i>	<i>638.28</i>	<i>988.16</i>	<i>517.40</i>
Proportion of total income being:						
Wages and salaries	% 12.4	68.6	77.4	84.2	82.9	75.8
Own business	% 14.1	8.0	7.9	5.7	7.9	7.8
Government pensions and benefits	% 62.3	17.2	8.1	4.0	1.1	9.1
Other	% 11.3	6.2	6.6	6.2	8.2	7.4
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average age of household head (years)</i>	<i>40.3</i>	<i>41.5</i>	<i>42.7</i>	<i>45.2</i>	<i>44.7</i>	<i>42.9</i>
Average number of persons per household:						
Under 18 years	No. 1.2	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.3	0.7
18 to 64 years	No. 1.7	2.0	2.1	2.3	2.6	2.1
65 years and over	No. 0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Total	No. 3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0
<i>Average number of employed persons per household(e)</i>	<i>No. 0.58</i>	<i>1.11</i>	<i>1.44</i>	<i>1.90</i>	<i>2.28</i>	<i>1.46</i>
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:						
Married couple:						
—with dependent children only	% 43.2	59.1	57.7	47.4	34.4	48.4
—other	% 14.9	23.0	30.1	38.8	48.1	31.0
Single parent one family household only	% 39.5	11.1	6.6	5.5	0.8	12.7
Other(f)	% 2.5	6.8	5.6	8.3	16.7	8.0
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Estimated number of households being in(g):						
Capital cities	(' 000) 98.7	103.6	109.0	114.6	126.2	552.0
Other urban areas	(' 000) 41.0	44.9	46.5	40.4	33.5	206.2
Rural areas	(' 000) 25.2	16.7	9.5	10.9	5.0	67.3
<i>Number of households in sample</i>	<i>No. 294</i>	<i>320</i>	<i>342</i>	<i>331</i>	<i>351</i>	<i>1,638</i>
Estimated total number in population:						
Households	(' 000) 164.9	165.2	165.0	165.8	164.6	825.5
Persons	(' 000) 494.8	495.5	494.9	497.5	493.9	2,476.6

(a) The quintile groups in this table are 20% groupings of the estimated table population when households are ranked in ascending order according to each household's total gross weekly income. (b) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 HES Information Paper (6527.0). (c) The average obtained when the total estimated expenditure for a particular broad expenditure group is divided by the estimated number of households within the scope of the survey in the relevant quintile group. (d) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (e) See paragraph 16 of the Explanatory Notes. (f) Includes married couple and single parent families living in multiple family households. (g) See paragraphs 17-19 of the Explanatory Notes.

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TABLE 6: HOUSEHOLDS WITH FOUR PERSONS: EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME QUINTILE GROUP, AUSTRALIA(a)

	Weekly household gross income distribution(\$)					All house- holds
	0- 312	313- 434	435- 569	570- 772	773 and over	
	Lowest 20%	Second quintile group	Third quintile group	Fourth quintile group	Highest 20%	
<i>Broad expenditure group(b)</i>						
	Average weekly household expenditure (\$)(c)					
Commodity or service						
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	40.78	55.43	53.60	57.59	72.20	55.91
Fuel and power	11.31	12.07	12.42	13.04	14.99	12.77
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	75.87	78.44	91.03	98.28	123.79	93.45
Alcoholic beverages	6.19	10.64	13.66	13.88	23.84	13.63
Tobacco	6.34	6.50	7.04	6.60	7.61	6.82
Clothing and footwear	15.08	21.72	25.41	35.20	51.72	29.81
Household furnishings and equipment	20.66	20.66	34.63	36.85	47.17	31.97
Household services and operation	13.86	15.78	17.13	21.19	26.38	18.86
Medical care and health expenses	10.94	15.45	16.68	20.62	21.89	17.11
Transport	44.35	53.63	63.52	77.18	113.68	70.44
Recreation	25.07	35.98	47.15	63.23	92.29	52.71
Personal care	4.88	5.90	7.29	9.40	12.76	8.04
Miscellaneous commodities and services	18.65	25.46	26.96	34.58	52.52	31.62
Total commodity or service expenditure	293.98	357.66	416.52	487.65	660.83	443.15
Selected other payments						
Income tax	22.17	55.26	91.10	117.87	220.51	101.27
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	5.59	8.45	8.28	11.00	12.46	9.15
Other capital housing costs	*19.50	*12.76	*13.11	*17.48	*29.49	18.47
Superannuation and life insurance	5.52	11.09	16.68	21.16	28.03	16.48
<i>Household characteristics</i>						
<i>Average weekly household income(\$)(d)</i>	216.98	371.55	501.31	659.62	1,081.18	565.71
Proportion of total income being:						
Wages and salaries	% 40.8	78.4	82.4	86.1	80.2	78.7
Own business	% 18.2	9.9	8.2	5.4	10.9	9.6
Government pensions and benefits	% 34.2	8.1	5.6	3.6	1.8	6.2
Other	% 6.8	3.5	3.8	4.9	7.1	5.5
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average age of household head(years)</i>	37.1	36.8	38.9	40.8	44.3	39.6
Average number of persons per household:						
Under 18 years	No. 1.96	1.85	1.80	1.64	1.14	1.68
18 to 64 years	No. 2.01	2.12	2.14	2.32	2.81	2.28
65 years and over	No. 0.03	0.03	0.06	0.04	0.05	0.04
Total	No. 4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00
<i>Average number of employed persons per household(e)</i>	No. 0.98	1.38	1.59	1.90	2.52	1.67
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:						
Married couple:						
—with dependent children only	% 77.2	80.6	79.7	69.0	45.6	70.4
—other	% 8.8	13.1	16.5	25.6	42.4	21.3
Single parent one family household only	% 11.5	3.5	3.1	3.3	1.4	4.5
Other(f)	% 2.6	2.9	0.8	2.0	10.6	3.8
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Estimated number of households being in(g):						
Capital cities	(' 000) 105.3	121.6	126.5	141.0	147.1	641.5
Other urban areas	(' 000) 54.1	53.0	52.4	42.8	37.4	239.7
Rural areas	(' 000) 34.9	20.4	13.4	10.5	9.1	88.3
<i>Number of households in sample</i>	No. 365	377	393	405	392	1,932
Estimated total number in population:						
Households	(' 000) 194.3	195.1	192.3	194.3	193.6	969.6
Persons	(' 000) 777.3	780.4	769.3	777.0	774.3	3,878.3

(a) The quintile groups in this table are 20% groupings of the estimated table population when households are ranked in ascending order according to each household's total gross weekly income. (b) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 HES Information Paper (6527.0). (c) The average obtained when the total estimated expenditure for a particular broad expenditure group is divided by the estimated number of households within the scope of the survey in the relevant quintile group. (d) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (e) See paragraph 16 of the Explanatory Notes. (f) Includes married couple and single parent families living in multiple family households. (g) See paragraphs 17-19 of the Explanatory Notes.

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TABLE 7 : HOUSEHOLDS WITH FIVE OR MORE PERSONS : EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME QUINTILE GROUP, AUSTRALIA(a)

	Weekly household gross income distribution(\$)					All households
	0-330	331-465	466-633	634-881	882 and over	
	Lowest 20%	Second quintile group	Third quintile group	Fourth quintile group	Highest 20%	
<i>Broad expenditure group(b)</i>						
	Average weekly household expenditure (\$)(c)					
Commodity or service						
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	46.29	47.77	56.50	52.89	59.65	52.62
Fuel and power	12.20	13.48	13.90	16.65	19.51	15.15
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	81.92	91.40	101.48	129.42	150.70	110.98
Alcoholic beverages	4.64	9.25	12.35	17.30	26.99	14.11
Tobacco	7.06	6.75	7.88	7.53	8.25	7.49
Clothing and footwear	19.21	27.35	27.75	48.96	72.69	39.19
Household furnishings and equipment	20.71	23.70	24.86	42.78	45.00	31.40
Household services and operation	13.41	17.02	18.93	22.04	31.31	20.54
Medical care and health expenses	10.11	16.63	17.13	23.59	31.49	19.79
Transport	48.64	56.24	74.32	100.20	144.70	84.82
Recreation	26.15	43.27	45.52	66.31	98.50	55.95
Personal care	5.08	6.10	6.97	10.43	15.93	8.90
Miscellaneous commodities and services	18.34	24.32	38.28	45.16	82.23	41.67
Total commodity or service expenditure	313.76	383.27	445.87	583.25	786.95	502.63
Selected other payments						
Income tax	22.64	57.06	91.34	125.65	243.48	108.05
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	6.70	7.25	10.85	10.17	11.16	9.22
Other capital housing costs	*9.94	*17.14	*49.99	*18.01	*73.07	33.65
Superannuation and life insurance	4.68	12.06	15.73	22.53	29.93	16.99
<i>Household characteristics</i>						
<i>Average weekly household income(\$)(d)</i>	236.94	395.18	544.23	740.34	1,217.37	626.87
Proportion of total income being:						
Wages and salaries	% 31.7	72.4	78.4	81.2	74.7	73.3
Own business	% 12.4	12.1	8.0	7.6	14.2	11.2
Government pensions and benefits	% 52.0	13.1	9.0	6.3	2.9	9.8
Other	% 3.8	2.5	4.5	4.9	8.2	5.8
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average age of household head(years)</i>	38.0	38.1	39.3	41.9	45.4	40.5
Average number of persons per household:						
Under 18 years	No. 3.48	3.22	3.03	2.76	2.14	2.93
18 to 64 years	No. 2.04	2.13	2.37	2.57	3.31	2.48
65 years and over	No. 0.04	0.03	0.05	0.09	0.08	0.06
Total	No. 5.57	5.38	5.45	5.42	5.54	5.47
<i>Average number of employed persons per household(e)</i>	No. 0.90	1.35	1.74	2.25	3.02	1.85
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:						
Married couple:						
—with dependent children only	% 71.3	77.9	64.4	48.2	36.0	59.6
—other	% 14.2	16.5	28.3	44.9	55.0	31.8
Single parent one family household only	% 9.5	3.2	3.1	2.0	0.9	3.7
Other(f)	% 5.0	2.5	4.2	4.9	8.1	4.9
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Estimated number of households being in(g):						
Capital cities	(' 000) 65.6	82.7	87.7	87.2	101.6	424.7
Other urban areas	(' 000) 38.7	40.0	36.5	37.6	28.5	181.3
Rural areas	(' 000) 34.9	15.9	14.7	13.6	9.1	88.2
<i>Number of households in sample</i>	No. 252	256	274	277	266	1,325
Estimated total number in population:						
Households	(' 000) 139.1	138.7	138.9	138.4	139.1	694.2
Persons	(' 000) 774.6	745.9	757.1	749.9	770.1	3,797.6

(a) The quintile groups in this table are 20% groupings of the estimated table population when households are ranked in ascending order according to each household's total gross weekly income. (b) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 HES Information Paper (6527.0). (c) The average obtained when the total estimated expenditure for a particular broad expenditure group is divided by the estimated number of households within the scope of the survey in the relevant quintile group. (d) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (e) See paragraph 16 of the Explanatory Notes. (f) Includes married couple and single parent families living in multiple family households. (g) See paragraphs 17-19 of the Explanatory Notes.

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TABLE 8 : HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY AGE OF HOUSEHOLD HEAD, AUSTRALIA(a)

Broad expenditure group(b)	Age of household head (years)						All house- holds
	Under 25	25- 34	35- 44	45- 54	55- 64	65 and over	
Average weekly household expenditure(\$)(c)							
Commodity or service							
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	63.51	66.93	57.47	42.79	28.72	21.85	46.4
Fuel and power	8.14	10.43	12.53	12.93	10.13	7.89	10.56
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	58.28	70.18	88.22	92.72	67.70	44.38	71.22
Alcoholic beverages	15.29	12.86	13.46	16.75	12.87	5.29	12.30
Tobacco	6.64	6.07	6.90	7.33	5.50	2.63	5.73
Clothing and footwear	22.97	22.76	28.98	32.58	21.99	12.39	23.46
Household furnishings and equipment	32.01	32.33	29.82	32.59	28.03	14.12	27.69
Household services and operation	11.54	16.52	18.85	17.86	14.60	11.98	15.70
Medical care and health expenses	8.66	12.80	16.62	18.75	14.98	10.27	14.07
Transport	64.59	61.18	64.56	79.28	64.07	27.98	59.00
Recreation	40.45	43.35	52.92	54.95	43.89	23.06	43.13
Personal care	5.79	6.38	7.62	9.01	6.43	4.29	6.60
Miscellaneous commodities and services	24.23	26.38	32.16	37.59	25.72	10.09	25.93
Total commodity or service expenditure	362.11	388.16	430.12	455.14	344.62	196.23	361.84
Selected other payments							
Income tax	64.25	86.95	101.95	118.33	78.21	24.87	80.07
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	4.45	10.08	10.80	7.41	3.03	0.40	6.49
Other capital housing costs	22.70	26.49	23.09	14.96	14.04	6.45	18.01
Superannuation and life insurance	8.74	13.32	15.82	17.17	10.96	1.61	11.51
Proportion of total expenditure on commodities and services(%)							
Commodity or service							
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	17.5	17.2	13.4	9.4	8.3	11.1	12.8
Fuel and power	2.3	2.7	2.9	2.8	2.9	4.0	2.9
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	16.1	18.1	20.5	20.4	19.7	22.6	19.7
Alcoholic beverages	4.2	3.3	3.1	3.7	3.7	2.7	3.4
Tobacco	1.8	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.3	1.6
Clothing and footwear	6.3	5.9	6.7	7.2	6.4	6.3	6.5
Household furnishings and equipment	8.8	8.3	6.9	7.2	8.1	7.2	7.7
Household services and operation	3.2	4.3	4.4	3.9	4.2	6.1	4.3
Medical care and health expenses	2.4	3.3	3.9	4.1	4.4	5.2	3.9
Transport	17.8	15.8	15.0	17.4	18.6	14.3	16.3
Recreation	11.2	11.2	12.3	12.1	12.7	11.8	11.9
Personal care	1.6	1.6	1.8	2.0	1.9	2.2	1.8
Miscellaneous commodities and services	6.7	6.8	7.5	8.3	7.5	5.1	7.2
Total commodity or service expenditure	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

(a) See paragraphs 12 of the Explanatory Notes. (b) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 HES Information Paper (6527.0). (c) The average obtained when the total estimated expenditure for a particular broad expenditure group is divided by the estimated number of households within the scope of the survey in the relevant category of age of household head.

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TABLE 8 : HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY AGE OF HOUSEHOLD HEAD, AUSTRALIA(a)—continued

Household characteristics		Age of household head (years)						All households
		Under 25	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65 and over	
Average weekly household income \$(b)		426.53	490.11	540.99	607.74	421.14	229.48	453.60
Proportion of total income being:								
Wages and salaries	%	84.9	84.9	78.5	76.1	61.9	16.9	71.6
Own business	%	4.2	6.5	10.0	11.1	9.7	5.0	8.5
Government pensions and benefits	%	7.3	5.8	6.3	6.1	14.0	47.5	11.3
Other	%	3.6	2.9	5.1	6.8	14.4	30.7	8.6
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average number of persons per household:								
Under 18 years	No.	0.46	1.23	1.89	0.85	0.19	0.03	0.86
18 to 64 years	No.	1.81	1.86	1.98	2.36	2.05	0.35	1.70
65 years and over	No.	0.00	0.00	0.02	0.04	0.05	1.34	0.27
Total	No.	2.27	3.09	3.88	3.25	2.29	1.72	2.84
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:								
Owned outright	%	4.3	9.5	24.1	48.4	62.9	77.5	39.4
Being bought	%	23.3	47.2	50.7	33.1	19.7	6.5	32.1
Renting—government	%	7.3	7.0	5.3	4.6	5.0	5.6	5.7
Renting—private	%	59.8	32.4	16.7	11.4	10.5	6.7	19.5
Occupied rent-free	%	5.4	4.0	3.2	2.5	1.9	3.7	3.3
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average number of employed persons per household(c)	No.	1.32	1.35	1.57	1.81	1.05	0.22	1.20
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:								
Married couple:								
—only	%	24.4	18.5	5.8	17.8	39.9	41.4	23.9
—with dependent children only	%	16.7	52.1	59.4	22.7	6.0	0.6	29.7
—other	%	1.8	2.0	13.8	35.5	21.6	7.0	13.5
Single parent one family household only	%	10.1	7.6	9.0	3.4	1.0	0.2	5.0
Single person household	%	20.1	11.8	7.6	13.8	21.9	41.8	19.1
Other(d)	%	27.0	8.0	4.4	6.8	9.6	8.9	8.8
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Estimated number of households being in(e):								
Capital cities	('000)	202.8	761.4	686.7	524.2	507.0	597.8	3,279.9
Other urban areas	('000)	117.7	276.5	260.5	169.5	222.8	293.2	1,340.1
Rural areas	('000)	23.9	92.9	101.7	62.5	74.1	64.1	419.2
Number of households in sample	No.	677	2,286	2,110	1,429	1,443	1,626	9,571
Estimated total number in population:								
Households	('000)	344.3	1,130.7	1,049.0	756.2	803.9	955.2	5,039.2
Persons	('000)	781.8	3,499.1	4,073.2	2,455.3	1,838.5	1,643.0	14,290.8

(a) See paragraph 12 of the Explanatory Notes. (b) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (c) See paragraph 16 of the Explanatory Notes. (d) Includes married couple and single parent families living in multiple family households. (e) See paragraphs 17-19 of the Explanatory Notes.

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TABLE 9 : HOUSEHOLDS WITH HEAD AGED UNDER 25: EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME QUINTILE GROUP, AUSTRALIA(a)

	Weekly household gross income distribution(\$)					All households
	0-191	192-321	322-473	474-616	617 and over	
	Lowest 20%	Second quintile group	Third quintile group	Fourth quintile group	Highest 20%	
<i>Broad expenditure group(b)</i>						
	Average weekly household expenditure (\$)(c)					
Commodity or service						
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	42.18	57.04	61.42	68.95	87.99	63.51
Fuel and power	7.39	7.13	9.04	7.94	9.22	8.14
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	35.42	51.80	53.97	65.74	84.46	58.28
Alcoholic beverages	5.88	12.73	14.88	15.54	27.45	15.29
Tobacco	6.42	6.64	6.50	5.66	8.00	6.64
Clothing and footwear	11.09	16.19	19.03	23.78	44.84	22.97
Household furnishings and equipment	21.77	16.02	31.33	39.29	51.81	32.01
Household services and operation	6.22	10.02	11.79	15.00	14.63	11.54
Medical care and health expenses	4.37	5.57	9.90	11.39	12.10	8.66
Transport	25.72	36.16	69.18	77.92	114.26	64.59
Recreation	15.57	29.22	42.24	51.27	63.99	40.45
Personal care	2.52	5.11	5.21	6.68	9.43	5.79
Miscellaneous commodities and services	12.84	18.21	23.01	32.44	34.64	24.23
Total commodity or service expenditure	197.39	271.83	357.50	421.59	562.83	362.11
Selected other payments						
Income tax	9.47	33.61	63.82	79.60	135.02	64.25
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	1.02	1.25	5.68	5.33	9.01	4.45
Other capital housing costs	*	*	*	*	*40.83	22.70
Superannuation and life insurance	0.79	3.85	8.23	10.88	19.98	8.74
<i>Household characteristics</i>						
<i>Average weekly household income(\$)(d)</i>	<i>130.65</i>	<i>268.17</i>	<i>390.15</i>	<i>537.25</i>	<i>807.41</i>	<i>426.53</i>
Proportion of total income being:						
Wages and salaries	% 23.2	73.8	86.7	95.1	90.9	84.9
Own business	% 3.5	5.1	5.6	0.9	5.5	4.2
Government pensions and benefits	% 67.3	12.2	4.9	1.6	1.0	7.3
Other	% *6.0	*8.9	*2.9	*2.4	*2.6	3.6
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average number of persons per household</i>	<i>No. 2.16</i>	<i>2.10</i>	<i>2.22</i>	<i>2.25</i>	<i>2.63</i>	<i>2.27</i>
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:						
Owned outright	% 6.4	1.2	7.0	4.2	2.5	4.3
Being bought	% 6.8	13.0	29.4	29.7	37.5	23.3
Renting—government	% *20.3	*8.8	*1.1	*1.6	*4.8	7.3
Renting—private	% 56.4	70.3	57.9	61.1	53.0	59.8
Occupied rent-free	% *	*	*4.5	*	*2.2	5.4
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average number of employed persons per household(e)</i>	<i>No. 0.31</i>	<i>0.96</i>	<i>1.25</i>	<i>1.87</i>	<i>2.23</i>	<i>1.32</i>
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:						
Married couple:						
—only	% 6.0	11.2	18.0	45.4	41.3	24.4
—with dependent children only	% 15.8	20.5	29.9	8.1	9.2	16.7
—other	% 0.0	1.1	1.3	2.7	3.7	1.8
Single parent one family household only	% *40.0	*7.3	*0.9	*1.9	0.6	10.1
Single person household	% 28.6	37.8	26.5	6.3	0.9	20.1
Other(f)	% *9.7	*22.1	*23.4	*35.5	*44.3	27.0
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Number of households in sample</i>	<i>No. 117</i>	<i>133</i>	<i>140</i>	<i>132</i>	<i>155</i>	<i>677</i>
Estimated total number in population:						
Households	(' 000) 68.4	69.6	68.4	69.3	68.5	344.3
Persons	(' 000) 148.0	145.9	152.1	156.0	179.9	781.8

(a) The quintile groups in this table are 20% groupings of the estimated table population when households are ranked in ascending order according to each household's total gross weekly income. (b) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 HES Information Paper (6527.0). (c) The average obtained when the total estimated expenditure for a particular broad expenditure group is divided by the estimated number of households within the scope of the survey in the relevant quintile group. (d) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (e) See paragraph 16 of the Explanatory Notes. (f) Includes married couple and single parent families living in multiple family households.

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TABLE 10 : HOUSEHOLDS WITH HEAD AGED 25-34: EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME QUINTILE GROUP, AUSTRALIA(a)

		Weekly household gross income distribution(\$)					
		0- 275	276- 390	391- 514	515- 682	683 and over	
		Lowest 20%	Second quintile group	Third quintile group	Fourth quintile group	Highest 20%	All house- holds
<i>Broad expenditure group(b)</i>							
		Average weekly household expenditure (\$)(c)					
Commodity or service							
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)		47.74	59.28	67.35	70.44	89.91	66.93
Fuel and power		9.22	9.97	10.64	11.56	10.79	10.43
Food and non-alcoholic beverages		51.94	61.14	68.61	76.20	93.07	70.18
Alcoholic beverages		5.41	9.22	12.42	15.27	21.98	12.86
Tobacco		5.63	5.52	6.55	6.47	6.16	6.07
Clothing and footwear		12.39	16.76	19.68	22.51	42.52	22.76
Household furnishings and equipment		17.59	23.56	24.34	41.40	54.86	32.33
Household services and operation		11.53	14.68	14.70	19.08	22.62	16.52
Medical care and health expenses		6.08	12.07	14.07	14.89	16.89	12.80
Transport		36.11	55.76	60.05	69.84	84.20	61.18
Recreation		20.42	29.91	40.84	51.60	74.08	43.35
Personal care		3.81	5.40	5.69	7.22	9.77	6.38
Miscellaneous commodities and services		12.52	25.24	21.93	32.52	39.73	26.38
Total commodity or service expenditure		240.38	328.51	366.89	438.99	566.58	388.16
Selected other payments							
Income tax		13.14	56.40	84.77	109.14	171.57	86.95
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)		4.04	8.41	9.72	12.64	15.62	10.08
Other capital housing costs		*3.23	*25.82	*10.42	*46.09	*46.94	26.49
Superannuation and life insurance		2.90	9.39	14.96	16.02	23.36	13.32
<i>Household characteristics</i>							
<i>Average weekly household income(\$)(d)</i>		172.17	332.94	449.50	593.59	903.66	490.11
Proportion of total income being:							
Wages and salaries	%	30.8	86.1	89.2	91.6	88.2	84.9
Own business	%	11.7	6.9	5.2	4.6	7.2	6.5
Government pensions and benefits	%	51.4	5.1	3.4	1.6	1.2	5.8
Other	%	6.1	1.9	2.2	2.3	3.3	2.9
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average number of persons per household</i>	No.	3.04	3.23	3.25	2.99	2.96	3.09
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:							
Owned outright	%	13.6	10.1	6.7	7.9	9.1	9.5
Being bought	%	19.5	46.9	53.0	57.6	59.0	47.2
Renting—government	%	16.0	9.0	4.8	3.3	1.7	7.0
Renting—private	%	44.0	29.8	33.5	27.8	26.6	32.4
Occupied rent-free	%	*6.8	4.3	1.9	3.5	3.5	4.0
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average number of employed persons per household(e)</i>	No.	0.61	1.14	1.29	1.70	2.02	1.35
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:							
Married couple:							
—only	%	7.0	8.3	8.6	30.0	38.7	18.5
—with dependent children only	%	43.6	63.6	66.8	51.3	35.2	52.1
—other	%	0.9	0.3	1.3	1.6	5.9	2.0
Single parent one family household only	%	31.1	3.9	0.8	0.8	1.5	7.6
Single person household	%	15.1	20.6	16.3	6.3	0.8	11.8
Other(f)	%	2.4	3.3	6.3	10.1	17.9	8.0
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Number of households in sample</i>	No.	421	453	453	486	473	2,286
Estimated total number in population:							
Households	(' 000)	226.2	226.8	226.1	225.7	225.9	1,130.7
Persons	(' 000)	687.3	731.7	735.8	675.5	668.8	3,499.1

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TABLE 11 : HOUSEHOLDS WITH HEAD AGED 35-44: EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME QUINTILE GROUP, AUSTRALIA(a)

	Weekly household gross income distribution(\$)					All households
	0-294	295-418	419-558	559-733	734 and over	
	Lowest 20%	Second quintile group	Third quintile group	Fourth quintile group	Highest 20%	
Broad expenditure group(b)						
	Average weekly household expenditure (\$)(c)					
Commodity or service						
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	44.63	48.32	56.34	58.97	79.08	57.47
Fuel and power	10.53	11.86	11.96	13.06	15.26	12.53
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	64.61	76.24	88.81	91.72	119.68	88.22
Alcoholic beverages	6.96	9.60	12.97	16.47	21.31	13.46
Tobacco	5.82	7.17	7.68	6.72	7.10	6.90
Clothing and footwear	12.93	23.20	23.10	32.53	53.20	28.98
Household furnishings and equipment	16.87	21.25	30.96	31.04	48.98	29.82
Household services and operation	12.53	15.47	17.55	19.14	29.54	18.85
Medical care and health expenses	10.03	13.56	16.98	18.83	23.70	16.62
Transport	39.26	48.49	63.52	72.03	99.51	64.56
Recreation	25.48	40.07	50.06	60.90	88.15	52.92
Personal care	4.93	5.96	7.31	8.41	11.49	7.62
Miscellaneous commodities and services	17.66	23.40	30.48	33.01	56.26	32.16
Total commodity or service expenditure	272.25	344.61	417.71	462.84	653.26	430.12
Selected other payments						
Income tax	22.61	52.50	88.09	128.82	217.87	101.95
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	6.32	8.57	10.98	13.52	14.62	10.80
Other capital housing costs	*19.23	*0.08	*34.15	*7.16	*54.67	23.09
Superannuation and life insurance	4.42	9.02	16.01	21.56	28.09	15.82
Household characteristics						
Average weekly household income(\$)(d)	198.26	359.82	489.59	639.93	1,017.83	540.99
Proportion of total income being:						
Wages and salaries	% 33.7	74.4	84.5	86.8	80.7	78.5
Own business	% 18.7	13.1	6.9	6.4	10.9	10.0
Government pensions and benefits	% 39.1	9.0	5.2	2.9	1.8	6.3
Other	% 8.5	3.5	3.3	4.0	6.7	5.1
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average number of persons per household	No. 3.53	3.83	3.99	3.95	4.12	3.88
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:						
Owned outright	% 26.6	24.6	21.0	24.8	23.5	24.1
Being bought	% 28.9	47.9	56.1	58.9	61.6	50.7
Renting—government	% 11.9	6.3	3.7	3.3	1.3	5.3
Renting—private	% 24.0	18.8	16.4	11.8	12.7	16.7
Occupied rent-free	% *8.6	*2.5	*2.9	1.2	0.9	3.2
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average number of employed persons per household(e)	No. 0.92	1.36	1.57	1.84	2.17	1.57
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:						
Married couple:						
—only	% 3.7	2.9	5.3	7.5	9.5	5.8
—with dependent children only	% 50.4	62.9	65.2	62.6	56.0	59.4
—other	% 6.5	8.0	12.7	16.3	25.6	13.8
Single parent one family household only	% 21.4	10.2	7.4	3.4	2.6	9.0
Single person household	% 13.2	12.6	5.7	4.2	2.3	7.6
Other(f)	% 4.8	3.5	3.8	6.0	3.9	4.4
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Number of households in sample	No. 389	407	426	436	452	2,110
Estimated total number in population:						
Households	(' 000) 209.6	209.8	211.1	208.6	209.9	1,049.0
Persons	(' 000) 740.4	803.2	842.0	823.2	864.5	4,073.2

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TABLE 12 : HOUSEHOLDS WITH HEAD AGED 45 TO 64: EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME QUINTILE GROUP, AUSTRALIA(a)

	Weekly household gross income distribution(\$)					All households
	0-189	190-337	338-530	531-773	774 and over	
	Lowest 20%	Second quintile group	Third quintile group	Fourth quintile group	Highest 20%	
<i>Broad expenditure group(b)</i>						
	Average weekly household expenditure (\$)(c)					
Commodity or service						
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	24.72	28.53	35.72	38.03	50.65	35.54
Fuel and power	8.10	9.61	10.88	12.11	16.71	11.48
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	45.08	61.36	74.44	93.86	124.29	79.83
Alcoholic beverages	5.56	10.45	14.03	18.82	24.86	14.75
Tobacco	4.14	5.96	6.69	7.62	7.55	6.39
Clothing and footwear	10.85	15.84	23.34	32.13	53.39	27.12
Household furnishings and equipment	15.05	23.68	33.03	32.21	47.22	30.24
Household services and operation	10.49	13.11	15.48	17.08	24.72	16.18
Medical care and health expenses	6.93	13.32	16.59	20.52	26.67	16.81
Transport	26.48	48.61	62.08	92.78	127.10	71.44
Recreation	24.35	31.45	47.30	55.87	87.19	49.25
Personal care	3.42	5.38	6.70	9.45	13.43	7.68
Miscellaneous commodities and services	15.28	13.64	28.09	35.20	65.08	31.47
Total commodity or service expenditure	200.44	280.94	374.35	465.68	668.86	398.19
Selected other payments						
Income tax	12.12	39.01	77.55	120.89	238.38	97.66
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	2.60	3.73	3.81	5.60	10.01	5.15
Other capital housing costs	*22.41	*-6.00	*10.14	*15.08	*30.76	14.49
Superannuation and life insurance	1.98	4.66	12.36	20.00	30.81	13.97
<i>Household characteristics</i>						
Average weekly household income(\$)(d)	121.27	266.37	429.40	640.86	1,098.55	511.59
Proportion of total income being:						
Wages and salaries	% 4.2	48.5	71.9	77.9	77.3	70.1
Own business	% 8.3	9.7	8.8	9.6	12.2	10.5
Government pensions and benefits	% 71.6	25.2	8.5	4.8	1.8	9.4
Other	% 15.9	16.6	10.8	7.8	8.8	10.0
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average number of persons per household	No. 1.68	2.40	2.61	3.18	3.89	2.75
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:						
Owned outright	% 59.8	57.9	54.7	57.2	49.7	55.9
Being bought	% 12.7	21.7	27.1	28.8	40.7	26.2
Renting—government	% 9.2	5.3	4.8	3.5	1.3	4.8
Renting—private	% 14.6	12.9	10.8	9.1	7.4	11.0
Occupied rent-free	% 3.6	2.3	2.7	1.4	1.0	2.2
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average number of employed persons per household(e)	No. 0.30	0.82	1.34	1.93	2.68	1.42
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:						
Married couple:						
—only	% 32.1	41.4	36.7	21.6	14.2	29.2
—with dependent children only	% 8.0	14.5	14.7	17.2	16.1	14.1
—other	% 3.1	14.1	22.3	43.2	58.9	28.3
Single parent one family household only	% 3.0	3.4	1.3	2.3	0.7	2.2
Single person household	% 50.3	18.4	12.3	7.3	1.6	18.0
Other(f)	% 3.6	8.2	12.7	8.3	8.5	8.3
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Number of households in sample	No. 554	564	588	554	612	2,872
Estimated total number in population:						
Households	(' 000) 311.9	311.8	311.6	312.2	312.6	1,560.0
Persons	(' 000) 523.5	749.1	813.3	993.4	1,214.5	4,293.8

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TABLE 13 : HOUSEHOLDS WITH HEAD AGED 65 AND OVER: EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME QUINTILE GROUP, AUSTRALIA(a)

	Weekly household gross income distribution(\$)					All households
	0-98	99-150	151-183	184-295	296 and over	
	Lowest 20%	Second quintile group	Third quintile group	Fourth quintile group	Highest 20%	
<i>Broad expenditure group(b)</i>						
	Average weekly household expenditure (\$)(c)					
Commodity or service						
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	15.56	20.08	22.15	20.78	30.89	21.85
Fuel and power	5.13	6.74	7.90	8.11	11.64	7.89
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	26.28	31.55	45.44	50.33	68.91	44.38
Alcoholic beverages	1.72	2.72	4.11	6.12	11.84	5.29
Tobacco	1.28	2.33	2.33	3.53	3.65	2.63
Clothing and footwear	5.19	8.02	10.44	15.97	22.38	12.39
Household furnishings and equipment	3.40	10.24	11.43	18.20	27.31	14.12
Household services and operation	8.14	9.33	11.94	13.24	17.35	11.98
Medical care and health expenses	5.41	5.89	7.19	11.52	21.33	10.27
Transport	5.91	19.46	22.66	32.68	59.31	27.98
Recreation	10.00	14.10	17.58	25.02	48.68	23.06
Personal care	1.96	3.43	3.93	3.78	8.41	4.29
Miscellaneous commodities and services	5.26	5.33	5.90	11.07	22.82	10.09
Total commodity or service expenditure	95.24	139.21	173.01	220.34	354.54	196.23
Selected other payments						
Income tax	1.54	4.59	2.95	12.78	102.37	24.87
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	0.12	0.27	0.36	0.42	0.85	0.40
Other capital housing costs	*3.23	*2.73	*5.43	*7.01	*13.93	6.45
Superannuation and life insurance	0.14	0.22	0.16	0.41	7.13	1.61
<i>Household characteristics</i>						
<i>Average weekly household income(\$)(d)</i>	<i>87.92</i>	<i>124.62</i>	<i>164.72</i>	<i>219.97</i>	<i>551.72</i>	<i>229.48</i>
Proportion of total income being:						
Wages and salaries	% 0.0	0.4	0.2	3.9	33.4	16.9
Own business	% 0.1	0.7	0.9	2.1	9.1	5.0
Government pensions and benefits	% 95.6	82.4	87.3	62.2	14.4	47.5
Other	% 4.3	16.5	11.6	31.9	43.1	30.7
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average number of persons per household</i>	<i>No. 1.04</i>	<i>1.33</i>	<i>1.84</i>	<i>1.99</i>	<i>2.43</i>	<i>1.72</i>
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:						
Owned outright	% 68.1	77.2	78.6	81.0	82.9	77.5
Being bought	% 3.2	5.0	7.0	8.5	9.1	6.5
Renting—government	% 12.6	4.8	5.7	2.2	2.6	5.6
Renting—private	% 8.5	10.5	6.0	5.1	3.2	6.7
Occupied rent-free	% *7.6	*2.5	*2.7	*3.3	*2.2	3.7
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average number of employed persons per household(e)</i>	<i>No. 0.03</i>	<i>0.04</i>	<i>0.05</i>	<i>0.16</i>	<i>0.80</i>	<i>0.22</i>
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:						
Married couple:						
—only	% 3.4	30.8	73.5	65.3	36.4	41.4
—with dependent children only	% 0.0	0.1	0.3	2.2	0.4	0.6
—other	% 0.0	0.3	0.4	5.8	28.7	7.0
Single parent one family household only	% 0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.2	0.2
Single person household	% 96.3	68.1	16.7	14.0	11.3	41.8
Other(f)	% 0.3	0.7	9.1	12.7	22.1	8.9
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Number of households in sample</i>	<i>No. 336</i>	<i>328</i>	<i>308</i>	<i>320</i>	<i>334</i>	<i>1,626</i>
Estimated total number in population:						
Households	(' 000) 193.0	197.5	178.4	195.5	190.7	955.2
Persons	(' 000) 200.2	262.5	328.1	388.5	463.7	1,643.0

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TABLE 14 : HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY FAMILY COMPOSITION OF THE HOUSEHOLD, AUSTRALIA—MARRIED COUPLE FAMILY HOUSEHOLDS

	Married couple family households							
	Without non-family individuals present							All married couple family households
	Husband and wife with dependent children				Husband and wife with non-dependent children only	Other married couple family households (b)		
	Husband and wife only	One dependent child only	Two dependent children only	Three or more dependent children only				
							Other (a)	
Broad expenditure group(c)								
	Average weekly household expenditure(\$)(d)							
Commodity or service								
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	40.71	59.99	57.08	56.94	45.16	34.73	51.69	48.37
Fuel and power	9.60	11.70	12.68	14.25	15.35	13.47	14.42	11.99
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	61.41	71.02	85.04	98.56	121.39	106.65	116.39	82.38
Alcoholic beverages	11.77	11.39	10.10	10.43	19.31	24.06	18.17	13.17
Tobacco	4.66	6.63	5.60	5.34	8.90	9.35	10.98	6.13
Clothing and footwear	19.53	21.87	24.69	31.01	46.99	40.48	42.45	27.02
Household furnishings and equipment	31.24	30.49	30.82	27.63	33.23	41.91	36.32	31.96
Household services and operation	15.11	19.13	19.05	19.67	21.46	18.71	21.58	17.96
Medical care and health expenses	13.79	15.78	16.62	18.07	22.07	23.16	22.75	16.92
Transport	53.67	61.25	56.20	63.86	116.27	118.38	85.61	68.20
Recreation	40.74	40.33	45.32	48.20	66.77	67.72	80.23	48.29
Personal care	5.85	7.00	6.59	6.91	12.07	10.98	9.58	7.34
Miscellaneous commodities and services	23.41	27.20	27.93	39.39	43.13	33.36	36.25	29.55
Total commodity or service expenditure	331.49	383.80	397.73	440.27	572.13	542.96	546.41	409.27
Selected other payments								
Income tax	74.09	98.14	97.22	100.29	128.35	125.29	105.48	94.74
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	6.12	11.12	10.00	10.30	9.06	4.49	8.12	8.13
Other capital housing costs	18.15	24.45	17.54	35.55	*15.99	*19.45	*32.13	21.30
Superannuation and life insurance	9.89	14.74	16.60	17.10	19.03	17.13	15.33	14.24
Household characteristics								
Average weekly household income \$(e)	416.40	481.63	513.83	537.73	750.47	712.36	668.65	519.78
Proportion of total income being:								
Wages and salaries	% 65.7	82.2	80.1	72.5	77.8	74.4	73.3	74.0
Own business	% 7.4	8.7	10.0	13.0	10.8	9.2	7.5	9.4
Government pensions and benefits	% 13.9	4.4	4.5	8.4	5.9	8.0	14.0	8.7
Other	% 13.0	4.7	5.4	6.1	5.5	8.5	*5.3	8.0
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average age of household head (years)	53.7	36.3	36.5	37.4	47.0	56.0	45.3	45.6
Average number of persons per household:								
Under 18 years	No. 0.00	0.96	1.97	3.34	1.90	0.16	1.28	1.12
18 to 64 years	No. 1.43	2.03	2.02	2.03	3.04	2.96	2.67	2.00
65 years and over	No. 0.57	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.23	0.62	0.25
Total	No. 2.00	3.00	4.00	5.37	4.96	3.35	4.57	3.36
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:								
Owned outright	% 54.6	20.7	23.8	24.1	45.3	60.4	38.3	40.0
Being bought	% 26.5	52.0	54.4	49.8	41.7	29.9	41.0	39.9
Renting—government	% 3.2	4.5	5.1	9.2	6.0	3.0	*2.7	4.7
Renting—private	% 13.1	19.1	14.2	13.1	5.5	4.9	17.0	12.8
Occupied rent-free	% 2.5	3.7	2.5	3.7	1.5	1.9	*1.1	2.6
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average number of employed persons per household(f)	No. 0.93	1.37	1.46	1.42	2.61	2.19	1.91	1.43
Estimated number of households being in (g):								
Capital cities	(' 000) 732.0	263.8	446.9	242.0	160.0	218.0	71.4	2,134.1
Other urban areas	(' 000) 366.0	96.9	169.4	116.4	59.3	78.2	26.2	912.3
Rural areas	(' 000) 106.8	38.5	66.7	55.2	32.7	29.4	7.1	336.5
Number of households in sample	No. 2,196	828	1,389	801	472	587	196	6,469
Estimated total number in population:								
Households	(' 000) 1,204.8	399.2	683.0	413.6	252.0	325.6	104.7	3,382.9
Persons	(' 000) 2,409.6	1,197.6	2,732.0	2,221.7	1,248.8	1,091.5	478.1	11,379.3

(a) Includes married couple family households where a combination of dependent and non-dependent children are present. (b) Includes married couple family households where non-family individuals are present. (c) Details of the component items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 HES Information Paper (6527.0). (d) The average obtained when the total estimated expenditure for a particular broad expenditure group is divided by the estimated number of households within the scope of the Survey in the relevant household composition group. (e) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (f) See paragraph 16 of the Explanatory Notes. (g) See paragraphs 17-19 of the Explanatory Notes.

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TABLE 14 : HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY FAMILY COMPOSITION OF THE HOUSEHOLD, AUSTRALIA—continued
—OTHER THAN MARRIED COUPLE FAMILY HOUSEHOLDS; AND ALL HOUSEHOLDS

	Single parent households	Other single family households (a)	Multiple family households	Single person households	Multiple person non-family households	All households
<i>Broad expenditure group(b)</i>						
	Average weekly household expenditure(\$)(c)					
Commodity or service						
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	47.82	42.57	51.87	33.05	78.17	46.46
Fuel and power	9.94	10.09	13.77	5.89	9.34	10.56
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	58.92	69.18	129.46	31.97	75.75	71.22
Alcoholic beverages	6.06	14.53	16.86	6.68	28.68	12.30
Tobacco	6.13	6.72	13.21	2.89	9.39	5.73
Clothing and footwear	20.84	23.22	66.83	8.16	30.52	23.46
Household furnishings and equipment	23.04	24.36	40.63	13.90	28.00	27.69
Household services and operation	13.59	13.57	20.04	8.88	14.05	15.70
Medical care and health expenses	6.97	13.07	17.37	6.52	11.60	14.07
Transport	40.25	60.74	86.49	24.09	85.98	59.00
Recreation	27.42	44.99	59.70	22.45	68.50	43.13
Personal care	6.40	7.37	9.06	3.50	8.06	6.60
Miscellaneous commodities and services	24.81	21.57	61.56	10.94	34.30	25.93
Total commodity or service expenditure	292.18	351.98	586.84	178.92	482.33	361.84
Selected other payments						
Income tax	24.55	66.03	111.63	38.91	105.06	80.07
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	3.84	2.87	8.44	2.51	4.26	6.49
Other capital housing costs	*6.96	*7.73	*	9.78	*9.99	18.01
Superannuation and life insurance	3.51	7.32	11.28	4.65	12.29	11.51
<i>Household characteristics</i>						
<i>Average weekly household income (\$)(d)</i>	285.08	452.20	687.55	224.32	593.30	453.60
Proportion of total income being:						
Wages and salaries	% 51.2	63.3	67.0	56.7	82.6	71.6
Own business	% 2.8	5.0	5.3	7.3	4.2	8.5
Government pensions and benefits	% 36.8	19.7	21.8	22.1	6.7	11.3
Other	% 9.3	12.0	*6.0	13.8	6.5	8.6
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average age of household head (years)</i>	35.4	57.2	49.2	56.1	33.0	47.1
<i>Average number of persons per household:</i>						
Under 18 years	No. 1.81	0.13	1.94	0.00	0.03	0.86
18 to 64 years	No. 1.29	1.74	3.16	0.58	2.14	1.70
65 years and over	No. 0.02	0.50	*0.45	0.42	0.10	0.27
Total	No. 3.12	2.36	5.55	1.00	2.27	2.84
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:						
Owned outright	% 16.1	51.1	44.4	47.0	11.4	39.4
Being bought	% 19.6	15.8	32.3	13.9	18.9	32.1
Renting—government	% 23.3	7.0	*5.7	5.5	1.4	5.7
Renting—private	% 33.9	20.8	17.6	28.6	67.7	19.5
Occupied rent-free	% 7.1	*5.3	*	5.0	*0.6	3.3
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average number of employed persons per household(e)</i>	No. 0.65	1.21	1.75	0.42	1.67	1.20
<i>Estimated number of households being in (f):</i>						
Capital cities	(' 000) 166.8	134.2	30.8	650.7	163.2	3,279.9
Other urban areas	(' 000) 73.1	43.3	*9.7	261.4	40.3	1,340.1
Rural areas	(' 000) 11.5	14.1	2.6	49.4	5.2	419.2
<i>Number of households in sample</i>	No. 494	359	86	1,733	430	9,571
<i>Estimated total number in population:</i>						
Households	(' 000) 251.4	191.6	43.1	961.5	208.8	5,039.2
Persons	(' 000) 784.6	453.1	238.9	961.5	473.4	14,290.9

(a) Includes households where the relationship between head of the household and the rest of the family is one of other than as parent to offspring. (b) Details of the component items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 HES Information Paper (6527.0). (c) The average obtained when the total estimated expenditure for a particular broad expenditure group is divided by the estimated number of households within the scope of the survey in the relevant household composition group. (d) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (e) See paragraph 16 of the Explanatory Notes. (f) See paragraphs 17-19 of the Explanatory Notes.

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TABLE 15 : ALL MARRIED COUPLE HOUSEHOLDS: EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME QUINTILE GROUP, AUSTRALIA(a)

	Weekly household gross income distribution(\$)					
	0- 231	232- 384	385- 540	541- 734	735 and over	
	Lowest 20%	Second quintile group	Third quintile group	Fourth quintile group	Highest 20%	All house- holds
<i>Broad expenditure group(b)</i>						
	Average weekly household expenditure (\$)(c)					
Commodity or service						
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	26.95	43.65	52.55	55.33	63.46	48.37
Fuel and power	9.65	10.77	12.23	12.19	15.11	11.99
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	58.12	69.58	80.47	89.80	114.13	82.38
Alcoholic beverages	6.40	9.12	12.56	15.97	21.84	13.17
Tobacco	4.75	6.10	6.73	6.66	6.41	6.13
Clothing and footwear	13.48	18.45	23.86	30.92	48.46	27.02
Household furnishings and equipment	16.22	24.42	34.25	35.17	49.32	31.96
Household services and operation	12.73	15.06	16.96	19.32	25.74	17.96
Medical care and health expenses	9.38	15.07	16.50	19.20	24.46	16.92
Transport	37.09	52.86	63.65	79.39	108.04	68.20
Recreation	24.93	32.50	43.87	57.35	82.93	48.29
Personal care	4.27	5.22	6.77	8.70	11.74	7.34
Miscellaneous commodities and services	13.38	19.99	27.60	34.13	52.70	29.55
Total commodity or service expenditure	237.36	322.79	397.99	464.12	624.34	409.27
Selected other payments						
Income tax	11.54	45.42	84.33	116.08	216.54	94.74
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	2.94	6.04	8.41	9.98	13.32	8.13
Other capital housing costs	10.75	10.83	18.58	27.31	39.69	21.30
Superannuation and life insurance	2.06	7.89	14.16	18.64	28.41	14.24
<i>Household characteristics</i>						
<i>Average weekly household income(\$)(d)</i>	<i>164.84</i>	<i>312.75</i>	<i>462.51</i>	<i>630.99</i>	<i>1,028.50</i>	<i>519.78</i>
Proportion of total income being:						
Wages and salaries	% 6.2	63.5	78.5	84.2	79.7	74.0
Own business	% 9.6	10.8	8.9	6.6	10.8	9.4
Government pensions and benefits	% 70.7	14.8	5.6	3.2	1.5	8.7
Other	% 13.5	10.8	7.0	6.0	8.0	8.0
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average age of household head (years)</i>	<i>57.2</i>	<i>44.2</i>	<i>41.6</i>	<i>41.2</i>	<i>43.8</i>	<i>45.6</i>
Average number of persons per household:						
Under 18 years	No. 0.60	1.31	1.36	1.21	1.11	1.12
18 to 64 years	No. 1.26	1.93	2.04	2.19	2.57	2.00
65 years and over	No. 0.78	0.19	0.12	0.08	0.07	0.25
Total	No. 2.64	3.43	3.52	3.48	3.75	3.36
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:						
Owned outright	% 62.8	39.1	31.4	32.4	34.5	40.0
Being bought	% 14.9	35.9	47.2	48.9	52.7	39.9
Renting—government	% 7.1	7.2	4.2	3.3	1.4	4.7
Renting—private	% 11.9	14.5	14.7	13.4	9.5	12.8
Occupied rent-free	% 3.4	3.4	2.5	2.0	1.9	2.6
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average number of employed persons per household(e)</i>	<i>No. 0.41</i>	<i>1.07</i>	<i>1.46</i>	<i>1.85</i>	<i>2.35</i>	<i>1.43</i>
Estimated number of households being in(f):						
Capital cities	(' 000) 370.0	368.2	432.6	465.8	497.4	2,134.1
Other urban areas	(' 000) 201.6	210.1	188.3	167.7	143.4	912.3
Rural areas	(' 000) 104.5	98.0	53.9	46.5	32.5	336.5
<i>Number of households in sample</i>	<i>No. 1,183</i>	<i>1,241</i>	<i>1,339</i>	<i>1,337</i>	<i>1,364</i>	<i>6,469</i>
Estimated total number in population:						
Households	(' 000) 676.1	676.3	674.8	680.0	673.3	3,382.9
Persons	(' 000) 1,783.1	2,321.9	2,376.3	2,364.7	2,526.0	11,379.3

(a) The quintile groups in this table are 20% groupings of the estimated table population when households are ranked in ascending order according to each household's total gross weekly income. (b) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 HES Information Paper (6527.0). (c) The average obtained when the total estimated expenditure for a particular broad expenditure group is divided by the estimated number of households within the scope of the survey in the relevant quintile group. (d) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (e) See paragraph 16 of the Explanatory Notes. (f) See paragraphs 17-19 of the Explanatory Notes.

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TABLE 16 : MARRIED COUPLE HOUSEHOLDS—HUSBAND AND WIFE ONLY: EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME QUINTILE GROUP, AUSTRALIA(a)

	Weekly household gross income distribution(\$)					All households
	0-167	168-251	252-431	432-642	643 and over	
	Lowest 20%	Second quintile group	Third quintile group	Fourth quintile group	Highest 20%	
<i>Broad expenditure group(b)</i>						
	Average weekly household expenditure (\$)(c)					
Commodity or service						
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	23.00	19.88	40.43	51.86	68.33	40.71
Fuel and power	8.55	9.37	9.39	10.32	10.38	9.60
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	47.83	51.96	61.00	66.68	79.54	61.41
Alcoholic beverages	5.75	6.62	12.67	14.80	19.00	11.77
Tobacco	4.07	3.31	5.76	5.51	4.64	4.66
Clothing and footwear	10.19	15.54	16.80	22.48	32.63	19.53
Household furnishings and equipment	13.12	19.53	27.46	36.76	59.28	31.24
Household services and operation	11.70	13.27	15.02	15.34	20.18	15.11
Medical care and health expenses	7.61	9.42	17.46	16.49	17.91	13.79
Transport	30.06	38.73	51.20	70.73	77.51	53.67
Recreation	20.63	27.59	34.02	49.95	71.46	40.74
Personal care	3.60	4.28	5.12	7.48	8.77	5.85
Miscellaneous commodities and services	14.75	8.55	19.03	38.30	36.38	23.41
Total commodity or service expenditure	200.86	228.02	315.36	406.69	506.02	331.49
Selected other payments						
Income tax	7.99	10.64	58.38	107.50	185.78	74.09
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	2.91	1.25	3.32	8.63	14.51	6.12
Other capital housing costs	*4.68	*7.97	*7.26	*22.85	*47.99	18.15
Superannuation and life insurance	0.80	1.32	7.57	14.80	24.92	9.89
<i>Household characteristics</i>						
<i>Average weekly household income(\$)(d)</i>	<i>140.77</i>	<i>198.35</i>	<i>332.28</i>	<i>537.86</i>	<i>872.03</i>	<i>416.40</i>
Proportion of total income being:						
Wages and salaries	% 0.4	7.2	57.3	82.6	82.3	65.7
Own business	% 3.7	4.5	8.4	6.3	8.9	7.4
Government pensions and benefits	% 88.6	64.6	9.7	0.8	0.1	13.9
Other	% 7.3	23.7	24.7	10.4	8.8	13.0
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average age of household head (years)</i>	<i>65.0</i>	<i>66.1</i>	<i>54.8</i>	<i>42.7</i>	<i>39.8</i>	<i>53.7</i>
Average number of persons per household:						
Under 18 years	No. 0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
18 to 64 years	No. 0.91	0.87	1.62	1.85	1.90	1.43
65 years and over	No. 1.09	1.12	0.38	0.15	0.10	0.57
Total	No. 2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:						
Owned outright	% 69.3	81.7	58.4	35.0	28.8	54.6
Being bought	% 11.3	10.1	23.8	37.3	50.2	26.5
Renting—government	% 7.7	1.7	3.4	2.4	0.8	3.2
Renting—private	% 9.8	4.6	11.7	21.9	17.6	13.1
Occupied rent-free	% *1.9	*1.9	2.8	3.4	2.7	2.5
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average number of employed persons per household(e)</i>	<i>No. 0.14</i>	<i>0.23</i>	<i>0.91</i>	<i>1.57</i>	<i>1.81</i>	<i>0.93</i>
Estimated number of households being in(f):						
Capital cities	(' 000) 136.9	134.2	124.0	155.1	181.8	732.0
Other urban areas	(' 000) 74.7	83.2	89.0	68.9	50.3	366.0
Rural areas	(' 000) 28.1	23.8	29.0	17.3	8.6	106.8
<i>Number of households in sample</i>	<i>No. 417</i>	<i>412</i>	<i>452</i>	<i>454</i>	<i>461</i>	<i>2,196</i>
Estimated total number in population:						
Households	(' 000) 239.6	241.2	241.9	241.3	240.8	1,204.8
Persons	(' 000) 479.2	482.5	483.8	482.6	481.5	2,409.6

(a) The quintile groups in this table are 20% groupings of the estimated table population when households are ranked in ascending order according to each household's total gross weekly income. (b) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 HES Information Paper (6527.0). (c) The average obtained when the total estimated expenditure for a particular broad expenditure group is divided by the estimated number of households within the scope of the survey in the relevant quintile group. (d) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (e) See paragraph 16 of the Explanatory Notes. (f) See paragraphs 17-19 of the Explanatory Notes.

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TABLE 17 : MARRIED COUPLE HOUSEHOLDS WITH DEPENDENT CHILDREN ONLY: EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME QUINTILE GROUP, AUSTRALIA(a)

	Weekly household gross income distribution(\$)					All households
	0-295	296-399	400-521	522-682	683 and over	
	Lowest 20%	Second quintile group	Third quintile group	Fourth quintile group	Highest 20%	
<i>Broad expenditure group(b)</i>						
	Average weekly household expenditure (\$)(c)					
Commodity or service						
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	45.29	51.49	58.61	63.60	70.14	57.82
Fuel and power	11.06	12.07	12.29	12.76	16.08	12.85
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	71.01	73.79	82.89	88.10	109.38	85.04
Alcoholic beverages	6.44	8.23	10.91	11.98	15.14	10.54
Tobacco	6.65	6.05	5.92	6.01	4.40	5.81
Clothing and footwear	14.26	19.60	22.49	25.55	46.52	25.69
Household furnishings and equipment	17.65	23.95	31.33	32.23	44.12	29.85
Household services and operation	12.98	15.67	17.38	21.34	28.85	19.24
Medical care and health expenses	10.65	15.52	16.75	18.53	22.58	16.80
Transport	40.49	53.30	60.41	65.49	78.72	59.67
Recreation	25.52	32.69	39.84	51.58	74.30	44.79
Personal care	4.42	5.02	6.74	7.35	10.40	6.79
Miscellaneous commodities and services	16.72	21.21	27.41	33.28	55.87	30.90
Total commodity or service expenditure	283.14	338.59	392.97	437.79	576.50	405.78
Selected other payments						
Income tax	23.11	56.35	81.24	114.67	216.19	98.31
Mortgage payments-principal (selected dwelling)	5.65	8.37	10.43	12.16	15.31	10.38
Other capital housing costs	*8.58	*22.51	*17.65	*24.70	48.40	24.37
Superannuation and life insurance	4.91	11.19	16.23	20.62	28.28	16.24
<i>Household characteristics</i>						
<i>Average weekly household income\$(d)</i>	202.16	346.34	457.75	592.85	960.33	511.85
<i>Proportion of total income being:</i>						
Wages and salaries	% 35.8	82.4	84.4	88.4	77.1	78.4
Own business	% 19.9	9.5	9.0	5.9	12.5	10.5
Government pensions and benefits	% 37.5	5.5	3.6	2.7	1.7	5.6
Other	% 6.8	2.6	3.0	3.1	8.7	5.4
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average age of household head (years)</i>	37.1	34.8	35.2	37.3	38.9	36.7
<i>Average number of persons per household:</i>						
Under 18 years	No. 2.03	2.18	2.05	2.06	2.09	2.08
18 to 64 years	No. 1.99	2.01	2.02	2.03	2.08	2.03
65 years and over	No. 0.02	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total	No. 4.04	4.19	4.07	4.10	4.17	4.11
<i>Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:</i>						
Owned outright	% 27.9	22.9	16.6	19.5	28.4	23.1
Being bought	% 29.6	50.6	60.5	62.6	59.4	52.5
Renting—government	% 11.0	8.7	4.2	4.3	2.2	6.1
Renting—private	% 25.0	15.1	16.6	11.1	8.2	15.2
Occupied rent-free	% 6.5	2.8	2.2	2.6	1.8	3.2
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average number of employed persons per household(e)</i>	No. 0.93	1.24	1.43	1.66	1.86	1.42
<i>Estimated number of households being in(f):</i>						
Capital cities	(' 000) 151.0	185.4	194.7	211.5	210.2	952.7
Other urban areas	(' 000) 82.1	79.5	81.7	67.9	71.4	382.6
Rural areas	(' 000) 67.8	33.1	22.0	19.3	18.3	160.4
<i>Number of households in sample</i>	No. 552	570	609	620	667	3,018
<i>Estimated total number in population:</i>						
Households	(' 000) 301.0	298.0	298.3	298.7	299.8	1,495.8
Persons	(' 000) 1,216.4	1,247.1	1,213.9	1,223.3	1,250.5	6,151.3

(a) The quintile groups in this table are 20% groupings of the estimated table population when households are ranked in ascending order according to each household's total gross weekly income. (b) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 HES Information Paper (6527.0). (c) The average obtained when the total estimated expenditure for a particular broad expenditure group is divided by the estimated number of households within the scope of the survey in the relevant quintile group. (d) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (e) See paragraph 16 of the Explanatory Notes. (f) See paragraphs 17-19 of the Explanatory Notes.

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TABLE 18 : MARRIED COUPLE HOUSEHOLDS WITH ONE DEPENDENT CHILD ONLY: EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME QUINTILE GROUP, AUSTRALIA(a)

		Weekly household gross income distribution(\$)					
		0- 266	267- 347	375- 503	504- 659	660 and over	
		Lowest 20%	Second quintile group	Third quintile group	Fourth quintile group	Highest 20%	All house- holds
<i>Broad expenditure group(b)</i>							
		Average weekly household expenditure (\$)(c)					
Commodity or service							
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)		39.91	56.03	61.44	67.75	74.81	59.99
Fuel and power		9.75	10.11	12.44	11.66	14.53	11.70
Food and non-alcoholic beverages		63.36	62.56	69.50	72.12	87.48	71.02
Alcoholic beverages		8.09	9.51	11.05	12.22	16.05	11.39
Tobacco		7.78	6.71	6.29	6.95	5.44	6.63
Clothing and footwear		15.67	13.46	21.16	24.06	34.88	21.87
Household furnishings and equipment		14.07	29.15	36.76	32.53	39.87	30.49
Household services and operation		12.12	14.93	17.62	24.19	26.78	19.13
Medical care and health expenses		10.97	15.08	15.61	17.00	20.27	15.78
Transport		43.48	49.22	63.66	60.37	89.38	61.25
Recreation		27.19	30.73	36.35	43.26	64.08	40.33
Personal care		5.19	4.47	7.42	8.31	9.58	7.00
Miscellaneous commodities and services		18.19	15.06	23.45	27.76	51.44	27.20
Total commodity or service expenditure		275.77	317.02	382.74	408.18	534.61	383.80
Selected other payments							
Income tax		24.57	56.39	83.35	110.57	215.57	98.14
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)		3.65	9.62	12.73	11.56	18.01	11.12
Other capital housing costs		*	*-7.36	*28.91	*29.26	*29.81	24.45
Superannuation and life insurance		4.05	8.08	14.21	18.26	29.02	14.74
<i>Household characteristics</i>							
<i>Average weekly household income(\$)(d)</i>		<i>175.64</i>	<i>321.94</i>	<i>436.55</i>	<i>576.94</i>	<i>896.21</i>	<i>481.63</i>
Proportion of total income being:							
Wages and salaries	%	22.8	87.0	86.1	90.8	84.8	82.2
Own business	%	24.2	6.8	8.1	5.3	8.7	8.7
Government pensions and benefits	%	41.5	3.0	1.8	1.2	0.9	4.4
Other	%	*11.5	*3.2	*4.0	*2.7	5.6	4.7
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average age of household head (years)</i>		<i>39.0</i>	<i>33.5</i>	<i>34.4</i>	<i>36.4</i>	<i>38.1</i>	<i>36.3</i>
Average number of persons per household:							
Under 18 years	No.	0.99	0.99	0.98	0.98	0.88	0.96
18 to 64 years	No.	1.96	2.01	2.02	2.02	2.12	2.03
65 years and over	No.	0.05	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01
Total	No.	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:							
Owned outright	%	34.3	17.9	16.0	17.7	17.4	20.7
Being bought	%	19.6	46.5	59.5	61.8	72.4	52.0
Renting—government	%	*7.6	*6.7	*3.4	*2.7	*2.2	4.5
Renting—private	%	31.2	25.6	17.8	14.9	6.2	19.1
Occupied rent-free	%	*7.2	*3.3	*3.3	*3.0	*1.8	3.7
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average number of employed persons per household(e)</i>		<i>No. 0.79</i>	<i>1.19</i>	<i>1.35</i>	<i>1.66</i>	<i>1.84</i>	<i>1.37</i>
Estimated number of households being in(f):							
Capital cities	(' 000)	42.4	50.8	54.0	60.7	56.0	263.8
Other urban areas	(' 000)	*20.6	*20.3	*23.0	*14.3	18.6	96.9
Rural areas	(' 000)	17.0	7.6	3.9	4.7	5.3	38.5
<i>Number of households in sample</i>		<i>No. 144</i>	<i>154</i>	<i>172</i>	<i>163</i>	<i>195</i>	<i>828</i>
Estimated total number in population:							
Households	(' 000)	80.1	78.7	80.9	79.8	79.8	399.2
Persons	(' 000)	240.2	236.0	242.6	239.3	239.5	1,197.6

(a) The quintile groups in this table are 20% groupings of the estimated table population when households are ranked in ascending order according to each household's total gross weekly income. (b) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 HES Information Paper (6527.0). (c) The average obtained when the total estimated expenditure for a particular broad expenditure group is divided by the estimated number of households within the scope of the survey in the relevant quintile group. (d) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (e) See paragraph 16 of the Explanatory Notes. (f) See paragraphs 17-19 of the Explanatory Notes.

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TABLE 19 : MARRIED COUPLE HOUSEHOLDS WITH TWO DEPENDENT CHILDREN ONLY: EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME QUINTILE GROUP, AUSTRALIA(a)

	Weekly household gross income distribution(\$)					All households
	0-303	304-409	410-523	524-667	668 and over	
	Lowest 20%	Second quintile group	Third quintile group	Fourth quintile group	Highest 20%	
<i>Broad expenditure group(b)</i>						
	Average weekly household expenditure (\$)(c)					
Commodity or service						
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	42.06	56.33	58.67	58.59	69.89	57.08
Fuel and power	11.66	11.58	12.33	12.27	15.56	12.68
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	74.69	72.87	83.34	88.54	105.83	85.04
Alcoholic beverages	6.07	9.16	11.49	10.87	12.95	10.10
Tobacco	6.62	5.77	5.84	5.23	4.55	5.60
Clothing and footwear	14.41	19.87	21.24	24.09	43.97	24.69
Household furnishings and equipment	17.26	19.51	35.22	34.63	47.57	30.82
Household services and operation	13.67	15.87	16.76	20.25	28.77	19.05
Medical care and health expenses	11.28	15.51	16.79	18.03	21.55	16.62
Transport	40.05	47.91	61.86	64.89	66.38	56.20
Recreation	24.88	33.48	39.26	53.61	75.58	45.32
Personal care	4.33	5.32	6.50	6.79	10.01	6.59
Miscellaneous commodities and services	16.99	22.77	26.65	30.10	43.21	27.93
Total commodity or service expenditure	283.96	335.95	395.94	427.89	545.82	397.73
Selected other payments						
Income tax	23.89	56.44	83.54	112.94	209.96	97.22
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	6.13	8.89	10.42	11.29	13.31	10.00
Other capital housing costs	*9.70	*16.61	*16.75	*8.99	*35.73	17.54
Superannuation and life insurance	5.89	11.79	17.15	20.68	27.57	16.60
<i>Household characteristics</i>						
<i>Average weekly household income\$(d)</i>	210.41	353.15	466.31	588.90	953.06	513.83
Proportion of total income being:						
Wages and salaries	% 45.3	80.7	88.1	88.4	78.6	80.1
Own business	% 21.3	11.9	6.5	5.4	11.3	10.0
Government pensions and benefits	% 27.6	4.9	2.9	2.5	1.4	4.5
Other	% 5.9	2.6	2.5	3.7	8.7	5.4
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average age of household head (years)</i>	36.3	34.8	34.9	37.2	39.1	36.5
Average number of persons per household:						
Under 18 years	No. 1.98	1.99	1.99	1.97	1.93	1.97
18 to 64 years	No. 2.01	2.01	2.01	2.03	2.06	2.02
65 years and over	No. 0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00
Total	No. 4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:						
Owned outright	% 30.3	19.6	15.7	21.4	32.2	23.8
Being bought	% 33.0	57.5	62.6	63.0	56.1	54.4
Renting—government	% 8.4	6.1	4.0	4.4	2.6	5.1
Renting—private	% 21.4	15.1	16.1	9.7	8.5	14.2
Occupied rent-free	% *7.0	*1.7	*1.6	*1.5	*0.6	2.5
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average number of employed persons per household(e)</i>	No. 1.04	1.31	1.44	1.69	1.83	1.46
Estimated number of households being in(f):						
Capital cities	(' 000) 73.1	85.4	91.5	96.6	100.2	446.9
Other urban areas	(' 000) 35.8	35.8	38.8	29.2	29.7	169.4
Rural areas	(' 000) 28.6	14.7	6.8	10.3	6.3	66.7
<i>Number of households in sample</i>	No. 249	264	280	286	310	1,389
Estimated total number in population:						
Households	(' 000) 137.5	135.9	137.2	136.2	136.3	683.0
Persons	(' 000) 550.0	543.6	548.7	544.7	545.1	2,732.0

(a) The quintile groups in this table are 20% groupings of the estimated table population when households are ranked in ascending order according to each household's total gross weekly income. (b) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 HES Information Paper (6527.0). (c) The average obtained when the total estimated expenditure for a particular broad expenditure group is divided by the estimated number of households within the scope of the survey in the relevant quintile group. (d) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (e) See paragraph 16 of the Explanatory Notes. (f) See paragraphs 17-19 of the Explanatory Notes.

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TABLE 20 : MARRIED COUPLE HOUSEHOLDS WITH THREE OR MORE DEPENDENT CHILDREN ONLY: EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME QUINTILE GROUP, AUSTRALIA(a)

	Weekly household gross income distribution(\$)					All households
	0-310	311-402	403-531	532-716	717 and over	
	Lowest 20%	Second quintile group	Third quintile group	Fourth quintile group	Highest 20%	
<i>Broad expenditure group(b)</i>						
	Average weekly household expenditure (\$)(c)					
Commodity or service						
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	51.41	46.21	52.99	65.86	68.24	56.94
Fuel and power	12.08	13.46	12.38	15.41	17.93	14.25
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	76.63	86.00	92.68	108.06	129.56	98.56
Alcoholic beverages	4.13	6.88	10.21	12.19	18.78	10.43
Tobacco	6.21	5.47	5.29	6.17	3.57	5.34
Clothing and footwear	14.98	24.48	24.96	32.80	57.91	31.01
Household furnishings and equipment	21.91	23.06	24.73	24.90	43.57	27.63
Household services and operation	12.69	15.89	18.76	20.33	30.74	19.67
Medical care and health expenses	9.87	15.44	17.46	20.92	26.76	18.07
Transport	43.60	54.47	61.25	75.55	84.62	63.86
Recreation	25.80	33.25	46.80	49.92	85.34	48.20
Personal care	3.74	4.90	6.24	7.92	11.76	6.91
Miscellaneous commodities and services	16.62	24.09	28.90	46.96	80.45	39.39
Total commodity or service expenditure	299.67	353.59	402.65	487.01	659.22	440.27
Selected other payments						
Income tax	18.43	53.18	79.48	125.90	224.91	100.29
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	6.53	6.57	11.09	13.94	13.38	10.30
Other capital housing costs	*11.27	*	*16.18	*41.86	*92.43	35.55
Superannuation and life insurance	4.48	12.53	15.73	22.35	30.53	17.10
<i>Household characteristics</i>						
<i>Average weekly household income\$(d)</i>	219.04	355.98	463.77	617.88	1,033.82	537.73
Proportion of total income being:						
Wages and salaries	% 32.0	79.1	78.9	82.1	70.4	72.5
Own business	% 14.0	10.5	11.8	9.7	16.1	13.0
Government pensions and benefits	% 51.2	8.0	6.6	4.8	2.4	8.4
Other	% *2.8	*2.5	*2.7	*3.4	*11.0	6.1
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average age of household head (years)</i>	36.5	36.3	36.3	38.3	39.4	37.4
Average number of persons per household:						
Under 18 years	No. 3.49	3.45	3.25	3.28	3.25	3.34
18 to 64 years	No. 2.00	2.01	2.03	2.03	2.07	2.03
65 years and over	No. 0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total	No. 5.49	5.45	5.28	5.30	5.32	5.37
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:						
Owned outright	% 23.1	24.4	20.5	20.6	31.9	24.1
Being bought	% 31.4	45.7	59.4	60.1	52.7	49.8
Renting—government	% *19.2	*14.5	*5.1	*5.5	*1.7	9.2
Renting—private	% 21.6	11.0	12.0	10.9	10.1	13.1
Occupied rent-free	% *4.7	*4.4	*3.1	*2.9	*3.7	3.7
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average number of employed persons per household(e)</i>	No. 0.88	1.26	1.43	1.60	1.93	1.42
Estimated number of households being in(f):						
Capital cities	(' 000) 37.5	46.7	50.2	53.9	53.8	242.0
Other urban areas	(' 000) *22.5	*25.1	*22.8	*21.7	*24.3	116.4
Rural areas	(' 000) 23.7	10.5	9.3	7.0	4.7	55.2
<i>Number of households in sample</i>	No. 154	152	156	171	168	801
Estimated total number in population:						
Households	(' 000) 83.7	82.3	82.2	82.6	82.8	413.6
Persons	(' 000) 459.6	448.8	434.5	438.1	440.7	2,221.7

(a) The quintile groups in this table are 20% groupings of the estimated table population when households are ranked in ascending order according to each household's total gross weekly income. (b) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 HES Information Paper (6527.0). (c) The average obtained when the total estimated expenditure for a particular broad expenditure group is divided by the estimated number of households within the scope of the survey in the relevant quintile group. (d) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (e) See paragraph 16 of the Explanatory Notes. (f) See paragraphs 17-19 of the Explanatory Notes.

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TABLE 21 : SINGLE PARENT HOUSEHOLDS WITH DEPENDENT CHILDREN ONLY: EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME QUINTILE GROUP, AUSTRALIA(a)

	Weekly household gross income distribution(\$)					
	0-130	131-151	152-184	185-293	294 and over	
	Lowest 20%	Second quintile group	Third quintile group	Fourth quintile group	Highest 20%	All households
<i>Broad expenditure group(b)</i>						
	Average weekly household expenditure (\$)(c)					
Commodity or service						
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	37.97	35.80	42.36	46.27	59.87	44.42
Fuel and power	8.06	8.46	8.80	10.55	9.75	9.11
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	36.42	42.61	48.62	49.84	68.27	49.11
Alcoholic beverages	2.38	1.64	1.04	3.00	6.38	2.88
Tobacco	3.67	3.90	5.24	3.16	3.83	3.97
Clothing and footwear	16.15	10.97	13.01	18.15	19.14	15.46
Household furnishings and equipment	16.40	18.57	20.63	17.71	26.48	19.97
Household services and operation	8.23	8.94	10.32	18.44	21.11	13.35
Medical care and health expenses	1.21	3.18	2.02	5.73	14.72	5.35
Transport	10.45	21.11	33.07	45.68	36.80	29.27
Recreation	11.44	10.23	17.19	21.96	36.03	19.32
Personal care	3.14	3.31	3.99	5.46	11.87	5.55
Miscellaneous commodities and services	9.63	8.01	13.49	13.46	43.57	17.63
Total commodity or service expenditure	165.16	176.74	219.77	259.41	357.80	235.39
Selected other payments						
Income tax	1.13	0.61	0.89	12.94	66.50	16.36
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	*4.36	*1.14	*1.07	*2.40	9.83	3.76
Other capital housing costs	*	*	*	*	*	*10.65
Superannuation and life insurance	0.62	0.25	0.38	1.52	8.99	2.35
<i>Household characteristics</i>						
Average weekly household income(\$)(d)	117.82	139.96	169.39	228.51	464.09	223.50
Proportion of total income being:						
Wages and salaries	% 1.4	1.8	4.7	45.5	76.6	41.9
Own business	% 0.0	2.1	0.2	0.9	4.1	2.2
Government pensions and benefits	% 95.7	92.0	80.9	39.5	4.3	43.8
Other	% *2.9	*	*14.2	*14.1	*15.1	12.1
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average age of household head (years)	30.3	30.7	33.3	34.2	38.9	33.5
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:						
Owned outright	% 14.9	5.9	8.5	22.8	21.2	14.6
Being bought	% 6.7	9.0	11.6	21.6	39.0	17.5
Renting—government	% *39.7	*36.6	*27.3	*17.4	*5.7	25.4
Renting—private	% 33.9	*35.1	42.0	32.3	28.4	34.4
Occupied rent-free	% *	*	*	*	*	*8.1
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average number of employed persons per household(e)	No. 0.06	0.09	0.16	0.71	1.05	0.41
Estimated number of households being in(f):						
Capital cities	(' 000) 21.6	28.1	22.7	17.7	26.7	116.8
Other urban areas	(' 000) *11.9	*6.6	*14.3	*14.8	*6.9	54.4
Rural areas	(' 000) 3.3	*1.7	0.0	2.5	2.9	10.3
Number of households in sample	No. 66	62	68	71	91	358
Estimated total number in population:						
Households	(' 000) 36.8	36.4	36.9	35.0	36.4	181.5
Persons	(' 000) 78.6	97.7	120.7	107.1	103.6	507.7

(a) The quintile groups in this table are 20% groupings of the estimated table population when households are ranked in ascending order according to each household's total gross weekly income. (b) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 HES Information Paper (6527.0). (c) The average obtained when the total estimated expenditure for a particular broad expenditure group is divided by the estimated number of households within the scope of the survey in the relevant quintile group. (d) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (e) See paragraph 16 of the Explanatory Notes. (f) See paragraphs 17-19 of the Explanatory Notes.

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TABLE 22 : SINGLE PARENT HOUSEHOLDS WITH ONE DEPENDENT CHILD ONLY: EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME QUINTILE GROUP, AUSTRALIA(a)

	Weekly household gross income distribution(\$)					
	0-119	120-129	130-162	163-267	268 and over	
	Lowest 20%	Second quintile group	Third quintile group	Fourth quintile group	Highest 20%	All households
<i>Broad expenditure group(b)</i>						
	Average weekly household expenditure (\$)(c)					
Commodity or service						
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	34.35	42.25	39.91	49.45	74.69	48.13
Fuel and power	8.41	7.05	7.93	9.29	9.40	8.41
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	34.96	31.48	33.95	44.63	51.86	39.34
Alcoholic beverages	1.45	1.83	3.17	3.64	6.79	3.38
Tobacco	5.06	2.57	4.03	4.44	3.95	4.01
Clothing and footwear	12.11	9.31	11.86	21.54	11.26	13.11
Household furnishings and equipment	*7.98	*13.25	*21.97	*23.24	*33.54	19.98
Household services and operation	6.96	7.84	8.03	19.92	16.22	11.69
Medical care and health expenses	0.80	0.78	3.20	3.89	12.44	4.24
Transport	9.00	8.70	28.05	38.54	26.19	21.92
Recreation	7.01	11.33	21.38	21.30	35.83	19.38
Personal care	3.12	2.89	2.94	5.08	7.04	4.21
Miscellaneous commodities and services	8.94	4.72	12.19	11.14	64.78	20.56
Total commodity or service expenditure	140.16	144.00	198.62	256.10	353.99	218.36
Selected other payments						
Income tax	2.01	0.00	0.03	17.77	67.62	17.56
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	*0.48	*9.41	*0.26	*1.91	*5.42	3.49
Other capital housing costs	*	*	*	*	*	*
Superannuation and life insurance	1.06	0.35	0.02	1.47	8.33	2.27
<i>Household characteristics</i>						
<i>Average weekly household income(\$)(d)</i>	<i>111.52</i>	<i>123.71</i>	<i>143.55</i>	<i>206.94</i>	<i>428.75</i>	<i>203.18</i>
Proportion of total income being:						
Wages and salaries	% 0.9	0.2	11.3	55.4	80.3	47.0
Own business	% *0.0	*0.0	*4.8	*0.0	*3.4	2.1
Government pensions and benefits	% 98.5	98.1	74.2	34.4	3.1	41.6
Other	% *	*	*	*	*	*9.4
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average age of household head (years)</i>	<i>28.6</i>	<i>29.8</i>	<i>31.3</i>	<i>34.0</i>	<i>40.0</i>	<i>32.7</i>
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:						
Owned outright	% 3.1	6.0	17.7	20.3	20.5	13.5
Being bought	% *4.4	*4.9	*2.7	*16.0	38.3	13.2
Renting—government	% *	*	*	*	*	*28.5
Renting—private	% *30.1	*50.6	*43.6	*53.3	*30.3	41.4
Occupied rent-free	% *	*	*	*	*	*3.5
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average number of employed persons per household(e)</i>	<i>No. 0.02</i>	<i>0.04</i>	<i>0.32</i>	<i>0.70</i>	<i>1.04</i>	<i>0.42</i>
Estimated number of households being in(f):						
Capital cities	(' 000) 10.5	7.6	9.7	10.9	11.2	49.9
Other urban areas	(' 000) *	*	*	*	*	*23.0
Rural areas	(' 000) *0.0	*2.9	*0.0	*0.0	*1.3	4.2
<i>Number of households in sample</i>	<i>No. 28</i>	<i>26</i>	<i>29</i>	<i>28</i>	<i>37</i>	<i>148</i>
Estimated total number in population:						
Households	(' 000) 15.7	15.3	15.7	14.6	15.7	77.0
Persons	(' 000) 31.4	30.6	31.4	29.1	31.4	154.0

(a) The quintile groups in this table are 20% groupings of the estimated table population when households are ranked in ascending order according to each household's total gross weekly income. (b) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 HES Information Paper (6527.0). (c) The average obtained when the total estimated expenditure for a particular broad expenditure group is divided by the estimated number of households within the scope of the survey in the relevant quintile group. (d) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (e) See paragraph 16 of the Explanatory Notes. (f) See paragraphs 17-19 of the Explanatory Notes.

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TABLE 23 : SINGLE PARENT HOUSEHOLDS WITH TWO OR MORE DEPENDENT CHILDREN ONLY: EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME QUINTILE GROUP, AUSTRALIA(a)

	Weekly household gross income distribution(\$)					All households
	0-141	142-170	171-202	203-308	309 and over	
	Lowest 20%	Second quintile group	Third quintile group	Fourth quintile group	Highest 20%	
<i>Broad expenditure group(b)</i>						
	Average weekly household expenditure (\$)(c)					
Commodity or service						
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	32.17	35.20	48.21	41.34	51.65	41.68
Fuel and power	8.81	7.50	9.43	12.26	9.98	9.62
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	51.35	47.69	51.35	53.71	77.40	56.32
Alcoholic beverages	2.17	0.82	1.89	1.72	5.89	2.51
Tobacco	2.73	5.10	5.80	1.77	4.47	3.94
Clothing and footwear	20.55	6.61	16.35	17.53	23.72	17.18
Household furnishings and equipment	*25.71	8.90	*19.88	24.58	19.25	19.96
Household services and operation	10.57	8.60	11.04	18.72	23.82	14.57
Medical care and health expenses	3.69	2.11	2.10	6.52	16.41	6.16
Transport	14.62	40.45	16.13	60.94	43.77	34.68
Recreation	5.30	15.77	12.15	28.27	36.02	19.29
Personal care	3.58	4.09	3.77	6.09	15.28	6.53
Miscellaneous commodities and services	9.41	11.45	11.46	20.12	25.22	15.48
Total commodity or service expenditure	190.66	194.29	209.58	293.58	352.86	247.93
Selected other payments						
Income tax	0.45	2.42	-0.17	9.17	66.32	15.47
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	*1.78	*0.34	*2.00	*2.18	*13.49	3.96
Other capital housing costs	*	*	*	*	*	*16.90
Superannuation and life insurance	0.19	0.63	0.29	2.13	8.92	2.41
<i>Household characteristics</i>						
<i>Average weekly household income\$(d)</i>	<i>133.07</i>	<i>154.81</i>	<i>181.51</i>	<i>238.30</i>	<i>489.10</i>	<i>238.47</i>
Proportion of total income being:						
Wages and salaries	% 1.4	0.0	4.9	35.4	75.8	38.8
Own business	% *0.0	0.0	*0.3	2.1	4.2	2.2
Government pensions and benefits	% 95.6	95.9	77.8	44.1	3.8	45.3
Other	% *	*	*	*	*	13.8
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average age of household head (years)</i>	<i>32.7</i>	<i>32.1</i>	<i>32.2</i>	<i>35.6</i>	<i>37.4</i>	<i>34.0</i>
Average number of persons per household:						
Under 18 years	No. 2.00	2.42	2.57	2.54	2.28	2.36
18 to 64 years	No. 1.00	1.00	1.00	1.02	1.12	1.03
65 years and over	No. *0.00	*0.00	*0.00	*0.00	*0.00	0.00
Total	No. 3.00	3.42	3.57	3.56	3.40	3.38
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:						
Owned outright	% 15.2	5.9	4.3	34.6	16.3	15.4
Being bought	% 10.8	8.1	26.5	17.7	39.7	20.6
Renting—government	% *	*	*	*	*	23.2
Renting—private	% *22.9	*35.0	*34.6	*22.4	*32.5	29.3
Occupied rent-free	% *	*	*	*	*	*11.5
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average number of employed persons per household(e)</i>	<i>No. 0.06</i>	<i>0.01</i>	<i>0.28</i>	<i>0.62</i>	<i>1.04</i>	<i>0.40</i>
Estimated number of households being in(f):						
Capital cities	(' 000) 18.0	11.7	13.4	8.8	15.1	66.9
Other urban areas	(' 000) *	*	*	*	*	31.4
Rural areas	(' 000) *1.6	*0.5	*1.3	*1.2	*1.6	6.1
<i>Number of households in sample</i>	<i>No. 37</i>	<i>40</i>	<i>39</i>	<i>45</i>	<i>49</i>	<i>210</i>
Estimated total number in population:						
Households	(' 000) 22.6	19.0	21.3	21.0	20.7	104.5
Persons	(' 000) 67.9	65.0	75.9	74.6	70.3	353.7

(a) The quintile groups in this table are 20% groupings of the estimated table population when households are ranked in ascending order according to each household's total gross weekly income. (b) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 HES Information Paper (6527.0). (c) The average obtained when the total estimated expenditure for a particular broad expenditure group is divided by the estimated number of households within the scope of the survey in the relevant quintile group. (d) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (e) See paragraph 16 of the Explanatory Notes. (f) See paragraphs 17-19 of the Explanatory Notes.

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TABLE 24 : HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY EMPLOYMENT STATUS OF HEAD, AUSTRALIA(a)

Broad expenditure group(b)	Employment status of head				Total
	Wage and salary earner	Self-employed	Unemployed	Not in the labour force	
Average weekly household expenditure(\$)(c)					
Commodity or service					
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	58.15	43.34	50.68	26.51	46.46
Fuel and power	11.33	12.91	9.38	8.45	10.56
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	80.97	86.93	55.49	50.09	71.22
Alcoholic beverages	15.32	13.63	8.66	6.93	12.30
Tobacco	6.61	5.36	7.85	4.05	5.73
Clothing and footwear	28.59	26.71	15.02	14.24	23.46
Household furnishings and equipment	34.09	26.76	19.94	17.71	27.69
Household services and operation	17.61	17.48	12.19	12.10	15.70
Medical care and health expenses	16.38	19.34	5.83	9.05	14.07
Transport	71.61	63.91	45.63	36.59	59.00
Recreation	52.81	43.15	22.65	28.59	43.13
Personal care	7.77	7.23	3.96	4.65	6.60
Miscellaneous commodities and services	33.09	30.21	13.42	13.25	25.93
Total commodity or service expenditure	434.31	396.96	270.70	232.20	361.84
Selected other payments					
Income tax	114.00	81.92	23.84	26.52	80.07
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	9.31	8.83	3.57	1.00	6.49
Other capital housing costs	24.78	19.72	*10.07	6.41	18.01
Superannuation and life insurance	17.89	10.48	1.76	1.86	11.51
Proportion of total expenditure on commodities and services(%)					
Commodity or service					
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	13.4	10.9	18.7	11.4	12.8
Fuel and power	2.6	3.3	3.5	3.6	2.9
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	18.6	21.9	20.5	21.6	19.7
Alcoholic beverages	3.5	3.4	3.2	3.0	3.4
Tobacco	1.5	1.4	2.9	1.7	1.6
Clothing and footwear	6.6	6.7	5.6	6.1	6.5
Household furnishings and equipment	7.9	6.7	7.4	7.6	7.7
Household services and operation	4.1	4.4	4.5	5.2	4.3
Medical care and health expenses	3.8	4.9	2.2	3.9	3.9
Transport	16.5	16.1	16.9	15.8	16.3
Recreation	12.2	10.9	8.4	12.3	11.9
Personal care	1.8	1.8	1.5	2.0	1.8
Miscellaneous commodities and services	7.6	7.6	5.0	5.7	7.2
Total commodity or service expenditure	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

(a) See paragraphs 12 and 16 of the Explanatory Notes. (b) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 HES Information Paper (6527.0). (c) The average obtained when the total estimated expenditure for a particular broad expenditure group is divided by the estimated number of households within the scope of the survey in the relevant category of employment status of head.

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TABLE 24 : HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY EMPLOYMENT STATUS OF HEAD, AUSTRALIA(a)—continued

Household characteristics		Employment status of head				Total
		Wage and salary earner	Self-employed	Unemployed	Not in the labour force	
Average weekly household income (\$)(b)		588.42	485.97	211.70	233.81	453.60
Proportion of total income being:						
Wages and salaries	%	92.2	24.1	25.4	22.7	71.6
Own business	%	1.2	59.2	0.9	2.0	8.5
Government pensions and benefits	%	2.8	4.7	64.4	48.3	11.3
Other	%	3.9	12.0	9.3	26.9	8.6
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average age of household head (years)		38.9	44.8	37.9	63.4	47.1
Average number of persons per household:						
Under 18 years	No.	1.09	1.15	1.23	0.31	0.86
18 to 64 years	No.	2.02	2.11	1.88	0.96	1.70
65 years and over	No.	0.03	0.11	0.02	0.79	0.27
Total	No.	3.14	3.37	3.13	2.06	2.84
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:						
Owned outright	%	24.0	51.0	20.8	64.7	39.4
Being bought	%	45.1	33.3	17.1	10.5	32.1
Renting—government	%	4.2	1.3	14.4	8.9	5.7
Renting—private	%	23.6	10.8	44.6	12.3	19.5
Occupied rent-free	%	3.1	3.7	*3.1	3.6	3.3
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average number of employed persons per household(c)	No.	1.67	1.90	0.26	0.23	1.20
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:						
Married couple:						
—only	%	19.8	20.9	14.3	33.4	23.9
—with dependent children only	%	41.3	40.6	38.3	4.0	29.7
—other	%	14.3	22.8	11.1	9.1	13.5
Single parent one family household only	%	3.4	1.4	7.4	8.9	5.0
Single person household	%	12.8	9.4	18.0	33.9	19.1
Other(d)	%	8.4	4.8	10.8	10.8	8.8
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Estimated number of households being in(e):						
Capital cities	(' 000)	1,881.6	279.6	118.7	1,000.0	3,279.9
Other urban areas	(' 000)	688.2	137.0	57.2	457.7	1,340.1
Rural areas	(' 000)	153.8	162.6	16.0	86.9	419.2
Number of households in sample	No.	5,461	1,013	340	2,757	9,571
Estimated total number in population:						
Households	(' 000)	2,723.6	579.1	191.8	1,544.7	5,039.2
Persons	(' 000)	8,559.8	1,953.2	601.0	3,177.0	14,290.8

(a) See paragraphs 12 and 16 of the Explanatory Notes. (b) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (c) See paragraph 16 of the Explanatory Notes. (d) Includes married couple and single parent families in multiple family households. (e) See paragraphs 17-19 of the Explanatory Notes.

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TABLE 25 : HOUSEHOLDS WITH AN UNEMPLOYED HEAD: EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY AGE OF HOUSEHOLD HEAD, AUSTRALIA(a)

		Age of head (years)				
		Under 25	25- 34	35- 44	45 and over	Total
<i>Broad expenditure group(b)</i>						
		Average weekly household expenditure(\$)(c)				
Commodity or service						
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)		55.12	56.57	52.74	42.08	50.68
Fuel and power		9.24	9.13	9.43	9.63	9.38
Food and non-alcoholic beverages		43.55	51.33	56.82	63.65	55.49
Alcoholic beverages		11.06	9.07	5.42	9.38	8.66
Tobacco		8.09	8.09	8.76	6.93	7.85
Clothing and footwear		11.13	14.14	7.87	22.27	15.02
Household furnishings and equipment		28.56	14.52	22.85	18.98	19.94
Household services and operation		8.63	11.46	11.92	14.61	12.19
Medical care and health expenses		3.25	4.99	5.27	8.10	5.83
Transport		36.58	36.91	43.92	58.58	45.63
Recreation		28.59	17.57	18.20	27.47	22.65
Personal care		3.05	2.81	3.65	5.60	3.96
Miscellaneous commodities and services		16.99	8.52	11.58	17.40	13.42
Total commodity or service expenditure		263.85	245.11	258.43	304.67	270.70
Selected other payments						
Income tax		17.75	20.73	19.62	32.12	23.84
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)		*0.05	4.36	4.28	3.98	3.57
Other capital housing costs		*	*	*	*	*10.07
Superannuation and life insurance		0.95	2.08	1.57	1.97	1.76
<i>Household characteristics</i>						
<i>Average weekly household income (\$)(d)</i>		171.01	205.86	214.98	232.91	211.70
<i>Average number of persons per household:</i>						
Under 18 years	No.	0.75	1.51	2.10	0.62	1.23
18 to 64 years	No.	1.64	1.88	1.86	2.01	1.88
65 years and over	No.	*0.00	0.00	*0.02	0.04	0.02
Total	No.	2.39	3.39	3.98	2.67	3.13
<i>Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:</i>						
Owned outright	%	5.6	5.7	14.3	45.5	20.8
Being bought	%	1.7	20.1	23.8	16.9	17.1
Renting—government	%	*	*15.6	*18.7	*10.6	14.4
Renting—private	%	*70.2	57.7	39.9	24.7	44.6
Occupied rent-free	%	*	*	*	*	*3.1
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average number of employed persons per household(e)</i>		No. 0.19	0.21	0.21	0.37	0.26
<i>Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:</i>						
Married couple:						
—only	%	13.4	8.4	3.0	27.4	14.3
—with dependent children only	%	22.1	54.3	62.3	15.4	38.3
—other	%	*4.6	*1.2	*7.1	25.6	11.1
Single parent one family household only	%	*	*9.7	*10.2	*0.0	7.4
Single person household	%	*24.0	11.5	10.8	26.0	18.0
Other(f)	%	*	*15.0	*6.7	*5.5	10.8
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Estimated number of households being in(g):</i>						
Capital cities	(' 000)	13.5	37.2	23.2	44.8	118.7
Other urban areas	(' 000)	*	*15.4	*13.6	*15.8	57.2
Rural areas	(' 000)	*2.7	4.3	5.6	3.4	16.0
<i>Number of households in sample</i>	No.	52	103	77	108	340
<i>Estimated total number in population:</i>						
Households	(' 000)	28.6	56.9	42.4	64.0	191.8
Persons	(' 000)	68.3	193.1	168.6	170.9	601.0

(a) See paragraph 12 of the Explanatory Notes. (b) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 HES Information Paper (6527.0). (c) The average obtained when the total estimated expenditure for a particular broad expenditure group is divided by the estimated number of households within the scope of the survey in the relevant quintile group. (d) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (e) See paragraph 16 of the Explanatory Notes. (f) Includes married couple and single parent families living in multiple family households. (g) See paragraphs 17-19 of the Explanatory Notes.

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TABLE 26 : HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY NATURE OF HOUSING OCCUPANCY, AUSTRALIA

	Nature of housing occupancy						
	Owned outright	Being bought	Renting—Private		Renting—Government	Occupied rent-free	All households
			Furnished	Unfurnished			
<i>Broad expenditure group(b)</i>							
	Average weekly household expenditure \$(a)						
Commodity or service							
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	21.55	70.42	57.54	69.13	38.34	5.90	46.46
Fuel and power	10.70	12.33	6.62	8.86	8.95	7.31	10.56
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	69.15	81.64	53.80	65.62	59.98	61.94	71.22
Alcoholic beverages	10.63	13.77	16.49	14.67	7.92	9.32	12.30
Tobacco	4.20	6.17	6.76	7.97	7.54	4.89	5.73
Clothing and footwear	22.29	27.56	15.57	23.77	15.39	19.87	23.46
Household furnishings and equipment	27.76	34.27	15.20	22.28	17.93	20.48	27.69
Household services and operation	15.34	19.14	9.23	12.88	12.05	13.94	15.70
Medical care and health expenses	14.79	17.26	7.90	10.47	7.31	10.71	14.07
Transport	55.52	68.84	44.93	60.29	38.16	52.60	59.00
Recreation	40.94	49.00	42.83	42.05	28.93	42.12	43.13
Personal care	6.49	7.29	5.47	6.63	4.46	6.29	6.60
Miscellaneous commodities and services	22.81	30.70	21.38	28.45	19.10	22.53	25.93
Total commodity or service expenditure	322.17	438.38	303.73	373.09	266.04	277.92	361.84
Selected other payments							
Income tax	70.63	111.13	64.12	66.67	37.73	46.41	80.07
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	..	20.22	..	..	..	..	6.49
Other capital housing costs	24.69	27.44	*-2.16	-3.79	0.80	*2.99	18.01
Superannuation and life insurance	8.72	17.72	8.59	9.50	6.24	6.56	11.51
<i>Household characteristics</i>							
<i>Average weekly household income \$(c)</i>	401.16	573.96	374.99	441.54	295.31	338.64	453.60
Proportion of total income being:							
Wages and salaries	% 55.1	83.0	81.1	80.4	62.1	67.3	71.6
Own business	% 12.0	7.6	4.6	5.0	2.7	7.6	8.5
Government pensions and benefits	% 16.5	5.0	9.8	10.5	32.3	15.6	11.3
Other	% 16.4	4.4	4.5	4.2	2.9	9.5	8.6
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average age of household head (years)</i>	58.5	39.9	35.6	36.8	45.4	45.1	47.1
Average number of persons per household:							
Under 18 years	No. 0.55	1.25	0.40	0.79	1.36	0.91	0.86
18 to 64 years	No. 1.48	2.04	1.46	1.75	1.51	1.47	1.70
65 years and over	No. 0.54	0.07	0.08	0.08	0.23	0.25	0.27
Total	No. 2.56	3.36	1.94	2.62	3.10	2.63	2.84
<i>Average number of employed persons per household (d)</i>	No. 0.98	1.59	1.03	1.21	0.70	1.05	1.20
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:							
Married couple:							
—only	% 33.1	19.8	11.4	17.4	13.4	18.4	23.9
—with dependent children only	% 17.4	48.6	14.2	25.6	31.6	28.4	29.7
—other	% 17.7	15.2	2.4	5.5	9.6	6.7	13.5
Single parent one family household only	% 2.0	3.0	6.2	9.4	20.4	10.8	5.0
Single person household	% 22.7	8.3	46.7	23.0	18.4	29.0	19.1
Other(e)	% 7.1	5.2	19.2	19.2	6.6	6.9	8.8
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Estimated number of households being in (f):							
Capital cities	(' 000) 1,198.5	1,157.8	130.8	540.1	176.7	75.8	3,279.9
Other urban areas	(' 000) 574.2	370.1	73.2	179.5	104.0	39.2	1,340.1
Rural areas	(' 000) 213.7	88.5	4.2	54.2	7.0	51.5	419.2
<i>Number of households in sample</i>	No. 3,400	3,319	486	1,313	766	287	9,571
Estimated total number in population:							
Households	(' 000) 1,986.4	1,616.5	208.2	773.8	287.7	166.6	5,039.2
Persons	(' 000) 5,092.8	5,435.6	403.2	2,028.5	892.7	438.1	14,290.9

(a) The average obtained when the total estimated expenditure for a particular broad expenditure group is divided by the estimated number of households within the scope of the survey. (b) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 HES Information Paper (6527.0). (c) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (d) See paragraph 16 of the Explanatory Notes. (e) Includes married couple and single parent families living in multiple family households. (f) See paragraphs 17-19 of the Explanatory Notes.

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TABLE 27 : HOUSEHOLDS OWNING THEIR RESIDENCE OUTRIGHT : EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME QUINTILE GROUP, AUSTRALIA(a)

		Weekly household gross income distribution(\$)					
		0-146	147-214	215-384	385-634	635 and over	
		Lowest 20%	Second quintile group	Third quintile group	Fourth quintile group	Highest 20%	All households
<i>Broad expenditure group(b)</i>							
		Average weekly household expenditure (\$)(c)					
Commodity or service							
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)		18.85	16.90	19.47	25.17	27.39	21.55
Fuel and power		6.95	8.88	10.04	11.68	15.93	10.70
Food and non-alcoholic beverages		35.64	51.89	63.63	81.26	113.32	69.15
Alcoholic beverages		3.15	5.14	10.19	13.78	20.90	10.63
Tobacco		2.07	3.25	4.38	5.19	6.10	4.20
Clothing and footwear		8.18	13.73	18.39	25.96	45.19	22.29
Household furnishings and equipment		11.63	16.95	23.78	36.43	50.04	27.76
Household services and operation		9.89	12.13	15.02	15.98	23.69	15.34
Medical care and health expenses		6.87	8.83	16.21	18.11	23.93	14.79
Transport		19.82	33.66	48.54	70.66	104.93	55.52
Recreation		16.50	24.26	32.40	49.07	82.52	40.94
Personal care		3.05	4.10	5.38	7.70	12.24	6.49
Miscellaneous commodities and services		12.07	9.69	17.61	30.20	44.53	22.81
Total commodity or service expenditure		154.67	209.41	285.03	391.18	570.72	322.17
Selected other payments							
Income tax		6.58	9.92	41.84	97.77	197.30	70.63
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)							
Other capital housing costs		*13.24	10.91	18.52	32.08	48.74	24.69
Superannuation and life insurance		0.90	1.34	5.58	12.39	23.43	8.72
<i>Household characteristics</i>							
<i>Average weekly household income \$(d)</i>		97.95	175.56	296.45	500.59	936.10	401.16
Proportion of total income being:							
Wages and salaries	%	1.7	3.0	43.1	66.3	68.3	55.1
Own business	%	3.9	5.6	9.3	11.0	15.4	12.0
Government pensions and benefits	%	79.6	73.2	22.2	7.2	2.5	16.5
Other	%	14.8	18.3	25.5	15.5	13.8	16.4
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average age of household head (years)</i>		66.5	65.9	56.4	52.6	51.0	58.5
Average number of persons per household:							
Under 18 years	No.	0.14	0.20	0.63	0.80	0.97	0.55
18 to 64 years	No.	0.53	0.80	1.53	1.95	2.58	1.48
65 years and over	No.	0.70	1.08	0.46	0.28	0.16	0.54
Total	No.	1.37	2.09	2.62	3.03	3.71	2.56
<i>Average number of employed persons per household(e)</i>		No. 0.21	0.22	0.80	1.46	2.22	0.98
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:							
Married couple:							
—only	%	13.4	67.3	39.8	26.9	18.0	33.1
—with dependent children only	%	4.8	8.4	22.2	26.0	25.4	17.4
—other	%	1.9	2.2	13.1	27.3	43.9	17.7
Single parent one family household only	%	1.9	2.0	3.2	1.5	1.6	2.0
Single person household	%	76.7	12.5	14.3	8.0	2.5	22.7
Other(f)	%	1.3	7.7	7.5	10.4	8.7	7.1
Total	%	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Estimated number of households being in (g):							
Capital cities	(' 000)	229.1	225.4	220.3	248.2	275.7	1,198.5
Other urban areas	(' 000)	120.0	133.2	123.8	110.1	87.2	574.2
Rural areas	(' 000)	46.0	40.2	54.1	40.2	33.2	213.7
<i>Number of households in sample</i>		No. 654	674	680	702	690	3,400
Estimated total number in population:							
Households	(' 000)	395.1	398.8	398.2	398.5	396.0	1,986.4
Persons	(' 000)	541.8	832.5	1,043.9	1,206.0	1,468.7	5,092.8

(a) The quintile groups in this table are 20% groupings of the estimated table population when households are ranked in ascending order according to each household's total gross weekly income. (b) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 HES Information Paper (6527.0). (c) The average obtained when the total estimated expenditure for a particular broad expenditure group is divided by the estimated number of households within the scope of the survey in the relevant quintile group. (d) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (e) See paragraph 16 of the Explanatory Notes. (f) Includes married couple and single parent families in multiple family households. (g) See paragraphs 17-19 of the Explanatory Notes.

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TABLE 28 : HOUSEHOLDS PAYING OFF A HOME : EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME QUINTILE GROUP, AUSTRALIA(a)

		Weekly household gross income distribution(\$)					
		0-322	323-453	454-593	594-787	788 and over	
		Lowest 20%	Second quintile group	Third quintile group	Fourth quintile group	Highest 20%	All households
<i>Broad expenditure group(b)</i>							
		Average weekly household expenditure (\$)(c)					
Commodity or service							
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)		50.87	64.62	69.51	78.25	88.80	70.42
Fuel and power		10.51	11.55	12.64	12.07	14.85	12.33
Food and non-alcoholic beverages		58.16	69.47	78.52	89.33	112.62	81.64
Alcoholic beverages		7.78	10.16	12.56	15.57	22.73	13.77
Tobacco		5.25	5.72	6.70	6.63	6.53	6.17
Clothing and footwear		13.14	18.15	24.22	33.49	48.76	27.56
Household furnishings and equipment		18.04	24.99	36.51	43.63	48.15	34.27
Household services and operation		14.32	16.30	17.94	21.19	25.95	19.14
Medical care and health expenses		10.48	15.61	15.64	19.51	25.03	17.26
Transport		38.27	54.30	64.99	77.20	109.30	68.84
Recreation		27.65	37.08	44.05	59.04	77.08	49.00
Personal care		5.06	5.61	6.70	8.37	10.68	7.29
Miscellaneous commodities and services		15.40	22.58	24.56	34.09	56.79	30.70
Total commodity or service expenditure		274.94	356.13	414.55	498.39	647.27	438.38
Selected other payments							
Income tax		31.93	68.70	99.73	129.87	225.10	111.13
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)		16.52	18.56	18.58	21.73	25.68	20.22
Other capital housing costs		*9.84	*26.68	24.36	21.81	54.40	27.44
Superannuation and life insurance		4.57	12.78	17.66	21.58	31.95	17.72
<i>Household characteristics</i>							
<i>Average weekly household income (\$)(d)</i>		<i>217.95</i>	<i>386.70</i>	<i>522.61</i>	<i>678.96</i>	<i>1,062.13</i>	<i>573.96</i>
Proportion of total income being:							
Wages and salaries	%	46.4	81.4	88.0	90.2	83.9	83.0
Own business	%	14.9	9.0	5.2	4.5	8.9	7.6
Government pensions and benefits	%	30.0	6.0	4.1	2.6	1.5	5.0
Other	%	8.7	3.6	2.7	2.7	5.7	4.4
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average age of household head (years)</i>		<i>45.5</i>	<i>37.6</i>	<i>37.2</i>	<i>38.3</i>	<i>41.2</i>	<i>39.9</i>
Average number of persons per household:							
Under 18 years	No.	1.05	1.51	1.41	1.19	1.11	1.25
18 to 64 years	No.	1.57	1.90	2.01	2.15	2.54	2.04
65 years and over	No.	0.20	0.04	0.03	0.05	0.04	0.07
Total	No.	2.83	3.44	3.45	3.39	3.70	3.36
<i>Average number of employed persons per household(e)</i>		<i>No.</i>	<i>0.81</i>	<i>1.30</i>	<i>1.57</i>	<i>1.91</i>	<i>2.37</i>
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:							
Married couple:							
—only	%	23.7	12.5	17.3	25.4	20.1	19.8
—with dependent children only	%	39.0	62.8	58.1	46.3	36.5	48.6
—other	%	4.8	7.3	11.3	17.9	34.5	15.2
Single parent one family household only	%	7.4	3.8	1.7	2.3	0.0	3.0
Single person household	%	20.4	10.5	6.9	2.5	1.1	8.3
Other(f)	%	4.6	3.2	4.7	5.5	7.8	5.2
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Estimated number of households being in (g):							
Capital cities	(' 000)	191.8	223.8	245.1	240.7	256.5	1,157.8
Other urban areas	(' 000)	97.0	79.3	66.9	71.9	55.2	370.1
Rural areas	(' 000)	33.5	21.2	11.2	10.2	12.4	88.5
<i>Number of households in sample</i>		<i>No.</i>	<i>611</i>	<i>648</i>	<i>663</i>	<i>692</i>	<i>3,319</i>
Estimated total number in population:							
Households	(' 000)	322.3	324.3	323.2	322.7	324.0	1,616.5
Persons	(' 000)	912.1	1,115.6	1,115.2	1,094.7	1,198.0	5,435.6

(a) The quintile groups in this table are 20% groupings of the estimated table population when households are ranked in ascending order according to each household's total gross weekly income. (b) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 HES Information Paper (6527.0). (c) The average obtained when the total estimated expenditure for a particular broad expenditure group is divided by the estimated number of households within the scope of the survey in the relevant quintile group. (d) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (e) See paragraph 16 of the Explanatory Notes. (f) Includes married couple and single parent families in multiple family households. (g) See paragraphs 17-19 of the Explanatory Notes.

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TABLE 29 : HOUSEHOLDS RENTING PRIVATELY : EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME QUINTILE GROUP, AUSTRALIA(a)

		Weekly household gross income distribution(\$)					
		0- 179	180- 311	312- 442	443- 620	621 and over	
		Lowest 20%	Second quintile group	Third quintile group	Fourth quintile group	Highest 20%	All house- holds
Broad expenditure group(b)							
		Average weekly household expenditure \$(c)					
Commodity or service							
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)		48.56	61.44	65.79	71.89	85.49	66.68
Fuel and power		6.42	7.95	8.38	9.21	9.94	8.38
Food and non-alcoholic beverages		32.78	53.50	59.80	72.58	96.57	63.12
Alcoholic beverages		4.34	9.35	12.83	19.09	29.59	15.06
Tobacco		4.40	8.21	8.24	7.76	9.91	7.71
Clothing and footwear		7.03	14.63	19.18	23.03	46.13	22.03
Household furnishings and equipment		10.25	12.51	23.10	23.83	34.13	20.78
Household services and operation		7.52	10.18	10.95	14.04	17.81	12.11
Medical care and health expenses		3.48	6.66	9.57	12.99	16.89	9.93
Transport		13.08	44.45	55.67	69.93	101.50	57.03
Recreation		13.10	23.16	39.98	51.78	82.86	42.22
Personal care		2.73	5.02	5.59	7.27	11.26	6.38
Miscellaneous commodities and services		8.35	16.03	21.69	40.29	48.32	26.95
Total commodity or service expenditure		162.03	273.08	340.76	423.69	590.41	358.39
Selected other payments							
Income tax		6.45	25.05	57.94	84.33	156.49	66.13
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)							
Other capital housing costs		*0.22	*-2.95	*-6.35	*2.51	*-10.53	-3.44
Superannuation and life insurance		0.68	3.62	7.83	11.87	22.48	9.31
Household characteristics							
Average weekly household income \$(d)		122.73	248.16	372.37	527.18	864.43	427.43
Proportion of total income being:							
Wages and salaries	%	8.0	57.1	85.4	89.0	90.2	80.5
Own business	%	5.0	9.0	3.8	4.1	4.7	4.9
Government pensions and benefits	%	78.0	27.4	6.9	3.7	1.5	10.3
Other	%	9.0	6.5	3.9	3.3	3.7	4.3
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average age of household head (years)		45.6	35.0	34.2	33.4	34.5	36.5
Average number of persons per household:							
Under 18 years	No.	0.46	0.96	0.81	0.73	0.57	0.71
18 to 64 years	No.	0.97	1.56	1.69	1.90	2.30	1.69
65 years and over	No.	0.28	0.08	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.08
Total	No.	1.71	2.59	2.51	2.66	2.88	2.48
Average number of employed persons per household(e)		No. 0.19	0.79	1.18	1.60	2.10	1.17
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:							
Married couple:							
—only	%	12.5	9.5	10.0	22.8	25.8	16.1
—with dependent children only	%	9.8	31.2	30.0	27.5	16.9	23.2
—other	%	0.0	2.0	3.8	5.1	13.3	4.8
Single parent one family household only	%	20.6	10.8	5.4	3.6	3.2	8.7
Single person household	%	53.0	33.7	32.8	14.2	6.7	28.0
Other(f)	%	4.1	12.9	18.0	26.8	34.2	19.2
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Estimated number of households being in (g):							
Capital cities	(' 000)	130.5	138.1	135.1	124.0	143.3	670.9
Other urban areas	(' 000)	48.7	46.2	48.5	58.4	50.8	252.6
Rural areas	(' 000)	13.9	14.6	14.4	13.1	2.4	58.5
Number of households in sample		No. 328	344	355	376	396	1,799
Estimated total number in population:							
Households	(' 000)	193.1	198.9	198.0	195.5	196.5	982.0
Persons	(' 000)	331.0	515.9	497.8	520.3	566.6	2,431.7

(a) The quintile groups in this table are 20% groupings of the estimated table population when households are ranked in ascending order according to each household's total gross weekly income. (b) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 HES Information Paper (6527.0). (c) The average obtained when the total estimated expenditure for a particular broad expenditure group is divided by the estimated number of households within the scope of the survey in the relevant quintile group. (d) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (e) See paragraph 16 of the Explanatory Notes. (f) Includes married couple and single parent families in multiple family households. (g) See paragraphs 17-19 of the Explanatory Notes.

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TABLE 30: HOUSEHOLDS RENTING FROM GOVERNMENT: EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME QUINTILE GROUP, AUSTRALIA(a)

		Weekly household gross income distribution(\$)					
		0- 121	122- 181	182- 299	300- 446	447 and over	
		Lowest 20%	Second quintile group	Third quintile group	Fourth quintile group	Highest 20%	All house- holds
<i>Broad expenditure group(b)</i>							
		Average weekly household expenditure (\$)(c)					
Commodity or service							
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)		21.64	27.93	40.03	51.16	50.88	38.34
Fuel and power		5.70	7.47	9.21	11.76	10.60	8.95
Food and non-alcoholic beverages		30.14	44.43	61.61	73.07	90.48	59.98
Alcoholic beverages		3.59	2.16	5.52	11.11	17.17	7.92
Tobacco		4.12	6.60	6.30	9.46	11.18	7.54
Clothing and footwear		8.25	9.79	12.94	22.88	23.05	15.39
Household furnishings and equipment		6.05	12.91	15.93	24.33	30.32	17.93
Household services and operation		6.58	8.43	12.38	14.34	18.47	12.05
Medical care and health expenses		2.66	2.31	5.42	11.85	14.30	7.31
Transport		7.26	18.01	25.34	56.88	82.99	38.16
Recreation		7.64	14.83	23.14	41.49	57.36	28.93
Personal care		2.61	2.84	4.10	5.52	7.21	4.46
Miscellaneous commodities and services		4.55	5.90	10.05	37.45	37.45	19.10
Total commodity or service expenditure		110.81	163.60	231.97	371.31	451.46	266.04
Selected other payments							
Income tax		2.36	4.12	15.79	52.00	113.95	37.73
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)		*	*	*	*-6.07	*13.21	0.80
Other capital housing costs		*	*	*	*	*	*
Superannuation and life insurance		0.66	0.53	1.54	8.79	19.61	6.24
<i>Household characteristics</i>							
<i>Average weekly household income (\$)(d)</i>		93.87	151.85	233.33	363.33	632.23	295.31
Proportion of total income being:							
Wages and salaries	%	0.3	2.5	31.6	77.5	88.0	62.1
Own business	%	0.6	0.9	1.0	3.0	3.8	2.7
Government pensions and benefits	%	97.8	91.6	62.1	18.3	5.6	32.3
Other	%	*1.3	*5.0	*5.4	*1.2	2.7	2.9
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average age of household head (years)</i>		58.4	46.5	40.5	41.3	40.3	45.4
Average number of persons per household:							
Under 18 years	No.	0.30	1.14	2.02	1.74	1.59	1.36
18 to 64 years	No.	0.58	1.09	1.70	2.02	2.17	1.51
65 years and over	No.	0.48	0.37	0.16	0.10	0.05	0.23
Total	No.	1.36	2.61	3.88	3.86	3.81	3.10
<i>Average number of employed persons per household(e)</i>		No. 0.07	0.07	0.44	1.17	1.75	0.70
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:							
Married couple:							
—only	%	1.4	32.1	8.8	12.7	11.6	13.4
—with dependent children only	%	4.8	11.6	46.1	50.4	45.3	31.6
—other	%	0.0	0.0	9.0	14.3	24.8	9.6
Single parent one family household only	%	*20.1	*46.2	*21.1	8.0	6.3	20.4
Single person household	%	73.5	6.1	2.9	4.9	5.1	18.4
Other(f)	%	*0.2	*4.0	*12.1	*9.6	*7.0	6.6
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Estimated number of households being in (g):							
Capital cities	(' 000)	44.2	36.9	30.4	34.5	30.8	176.7
Other urban areas	(' 000)	*13.0	*21.2	*23.1	*20.8	25.9	104.0
Rural areas	(' 000)	0.0	0.0	3.7	2.3	1.1	7.0
<i>Number of households in sample</i>		No. 130	130	144	156	206	766
Estimated total number in population:							
Households	(' 000)	57.2	58.1	57.1	57.5	57.8	287.7
Persons	(' 000)	77.9	151.4	221.4	222.0	220.1	892.7

(a) The quintile groups in this table are 20% groupings of the estimated table population when households are ranked in ascending order according to each household's total gross weekly income. (b) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 HES Information Paper (6527.0). (c) The average obtained when the total estimated expenditure for a particular broad expenditure group is divided by the estimated number of households within the scope of the survey in the relevant quintile group. (d) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (e) See paragraph 16 of the Explanatory Notes. (f) Includes married couple and single parent families in multiple family households. (g) See paragraphs 17-19 of the Explanatory Notes.

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TABLE 31 : HOUSEHOLDS OCCUPYING A DWELLING RENT-FREE : EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME QUINTILE GROUP, AUSTRALIA(a)

		Weekly household gross income distribution(\$)					
		0-108	109-207	208-329	330-527	528 and over	
		Lowest 20%	Second quintile group	Third quintile group	Fourth quintile group	Highest 20%	All households
<i>Broad expenditure group(b)</i>							
		Average weekly household expenditure (\$)(c)					
Commodity or service							
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)		2.44	4.39	6.42	6.84	9.42	5.90
Fuel and power		5.35	7.66	7.54	7.96	8.04	7.31
Food and non-alcoholic beverages		29.51	52.06	61.59	67.30	99.55	61.94
Alcoholic beverages		2.71	3.80	10.50	11.32	18.36	9.32
Tobacco		1.89	3.82	6.62	6.34	5.78	4.89
Clothing and footwear		5.74	15.76	12.84	21.97	43.21	19.87
Household furnishings and equipment		6.30	10.43	27.30	19.43	39.13	20.48
Household services and operation		6.56	10.76	11.14	15.60	25.74	13.94
Medical care and health expenses		5.41	8.76	10.49	11.74	17.18	10.71
Transport		11.64	30.63	49.28	83.61	87.86	52.60
Recreation		13.95	24.06	28.27	47.75	96.96	42.12
Personal care		1.06	3.91	6.14	5.59	14.85	6.29
Miscellaneous commodities and services		8.02	13.85	16.91	26.33	47.72	22.53
Total commodity or service expenditure		100.59	189.89	255.05	331.79	513.80	277.92
Selected other payments							
Income tax		1.68	4.10	25.25	62.72	138.88	46.41
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)		..	..	..	..	..	..
Other capital housing costs		*	*	*	*	*	*2.99
Superannuation and life insurance		0.82	2.43	4.64	9.54	15.40	6.56
<i>Household characteristics</i>							
<i>Average weekly household income (\$)(d)</i>		78.87	158.18	265.27	427.91	765.58	338.64
Proportion of total income being:							
Wages and salaries	%	7.7	15.9	55.9	78.5	81.8	67.3
Own business	%	1.1	6.9	16.1	6.8	6.0	7.6
Government pensions and benefits	%	82.1	65.6	19.3	6.6	2.0	15.6
Other	%	*	*	*	*	*	9.5
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average age of household head (years)</i>		59.7	47.0	41.3	37.8	39.5	45.1
Average number of persons per household:							
Under 18 years	No.	0.22	0.95	1.15	1.10	1.14	0.91
18 to 64 years	No.	0.55	1.09	1.64	1.97	2.12	1.47
65 years and over	No.	*0.53	*0.37	*0.20	*0.05	*0.08	0.25
Total	No.	1.30	2.41	2.99	3.12	3.34	2.63
<i>Average number of employed persons per household(e)</i>		No. 0.25	0.42	1.13	1.45	2.00	1.05
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:							
Married couple:							
—only	%	5.2	15.4	18.4	25.2	27.6	18.4
—with dependent children only	%	8.8	20.2	35.8	40.7	36.4	28.4
—other	%	*0.0	*2.5	*4.9	*4.7	*21.4	6.7
Single parent one family household only	%	*0.0	*	*	*10.2	*3.6	10.8
Single person household	%	*85.8	*21.8	*21.6	*11.8	*3.8	29.0
Other(f)	%	*	*	*	*	*	6.9
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Estimated number of households being in (g):							
Capital cities	(' 000)	11.8	13.5	9.8	18.3	22.4	75.8
Other urban areas	(' 000)	*	*	*	*6.2	*	39.2
Rural areas	(' 000)	*9.3	*10.2	*16.0	*9.2	*6.8	51.5
<i>Number of households in sample</i>		No. 59	52	55	61	60	287
Estimated total number in population:							
Households	(' 000)	33.4	33.3	33.2	33.7	33.0	166.6
Persons	(' 000)	43.3	80.1	99.2	104.9	110.5	438.1

(a) The quintile groups in this table are 20% groupings of the estimated table population when households are ranked in ascending order according to each household's total gross weekly income. (b) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 HES Information Paper (6527.0). (c) The average obtained when the total estimated expenditure for a particular broad expenditure group is divided by the estimated number of households within the scope of the survey in the relevant quintile group. (d) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (e) See paragraph 16 of the Explanatory Notes. (f) Includes married couple and single parent families in multiple family households. (g) See paragraphs 17-19 of the Explanatory Notes.

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TABLE 32 : HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY PRINCIPAL SOURCE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME, AUSTRALIA

Principal source of household income						
	Wages and salaries	Own business	Super-annuation	Other private income	Government pensions and benefits	All households(a)
Broad expenditure group(b)						
	Average weekly household expenditure \$(c)					
Commodity or service						
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	56.64	46.08	37.00	32.75	26.39	46.46
Fuel and power	11.48	12.94	9.48	10.47	7.80	10.56
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	82.95	82.56	53.49	60.53	44.08	71.22
Alcoholic beverages	15.86	13.28	10.31	9.00	4.56	12.30
Tobacco	6.82	5.17	3.73	2.90	4.02	5.73
Clothing and footwear	29.16	25.76	15.33	19.35	10.98	23.46
Household furnishings and equipment	34.06	25.12	29.64	22.96	14.49	27.69
Household services and operation	17.54	17.32	15.47	17.47	10.61	15.70
Medical care and health expenses	16.86	18.79	16.89	18.39	5.19	14.07
Transport	75.09	60.19	41.99	45.46	25.27	59.00
Recreation	53.80	39.60	46.76	44.34	18.99	43.13
Personal care	7.99	6.64	6.20	6.18	3.52	6.60
Miscellaneous commodities and services	32.48	32.24	17.12	24.40	9.79	25.93
Total commodity or service expenditure	440.73	385.69	303.40	314.20	185.69	361.84
Selected other payments						
Income tax	111.08	95.08	71.01	77.97	5.25	80.07
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	8.87	8.13	0.83	3.84	1.40	6.49
Other capital housing costs	21.47	15.67	*6.33	41.52	7.37	18.01
Superannuation and life insurance	17.29	11.02	1.20	3.09	0.61	11.51
Household characteristics						
Average weekly household income \$(d)	585.00	532.88	327.74	368.20	153.74	453.60
Average age of household head (years)	40.2	44.7	66.1	58.8	60.0	47.1
Average number of persons per household:						
Under 18 years	No. 1.04	1.19	0.10	0.38	0.50	0.86
18 to 64 years	No. 2.09	2.03	0.88	1.20	0.85	1.70
65 years and over	No. 0.05	0.10	0.79	0.63	0.73	0.27
Total	No. 3.18	3.32	1.78	2.22	2.08	2.84
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:						
Owned outright	% 26.7	47.5	75.8	75.5	57.0	39.4
Being bought	% 43.5	35.0	17.4	10.7	10.0	32.1
Renting—government	% 4.1	1.2	*2.6	0.3	12.0	5.7
Renting—private	% 22.7	13.1	3.5	10.6	16.8	19.5
Occupied rent-free	% 3.0	3.2	*0.7	2.9	4.2	3.3
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average number of employed persons per household(e)	No. 1.69	1.73	0.14	0.49	0.12	1.20
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:						
Married couple:						
—only	% 19.2	19.6	44.4	38.2	31.9	23.9
—with dependent children only	% 38.4	45.4	2.6	14.4	9.7	29.7
—other	% 17.7	18.6	5.6	7.2	4.0	13.5
Single parent one family household only	% 3.2	1.3	2.7	2.0	11.0	5.0
Single person household	% 11.0	10.8	37.2	28.4	37.0	19.1
Other(f)	% 10.4	4.3	*7.4	9.7	6.4	8.8
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Estimated number of households being in (g):						
Capital cities	(' 000) 2,075.3	208.1	70.7	141.7	781.4	3,279.9
Other urban areas	(' 000) 738.7	96.3	20.0	66.6	416.5	1,340.1
Rural areas	(' 000) 190.9	90.5	3.2	28.5	100.1	419.2
Number of households in sample	No. 5,971	694	188	403	2,297	9,571
Estimated total number in population:						
Households	(' 000) 3,004.9	394.9	93.8	236.8	1,298.0	5,039.2
Persons	(' 000) 9,569.3	1,311.4	166.8	526.2	2,699.1	14,290.8

(a) Includes households with no income. (b) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 HES Information Paper (6527.0). (c) The average obtained when total estimated expenditure for a particular broad expenditure group is divided by the estimated number of households within the scope of the survey in the relevant principal source of household income group. (d) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (e) See paragraph 16 of the Explanatory Notes. (f) Includes married couple and single parent families in multiple family households. (g) See paragraphs 17-19 of the Explanatory Notes.

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TABLE 33: HOUSEHOLDS WHOSE PRINCIPAL SOURCE OF INCOME IS GOVERNMENT PENSIONS AND BENEFITS: HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY PRINCIPAL SOURCE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME, AUSTRALIA

Principal source of household income						Total
	Age/ invalid/ wife's pension	Unem- ployment/ sickness benefit	Supporting parent's/ widow's pension	Other government cash benefits		
Broad expenditure group(a)						
Average weekly household expenditure \$(b)						
Commodity or service						
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	19.89	44.42	37.37	22.67	26.39	
Fuel and power	7.18	9.00	8.56	8.14	7.80	
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	38.57	56.03	45.36	50.30	44.08	
Alcoholic beverages	3.32	6.56	2.52	8.47	4.56	
Tobacco	2.77	7.55	5.11	4.11	4.02	
Clothing and footwear	9.66	11.34	13.46	12.89	10.98	
Household furnishings and equipment	9.75	17.42	17.28	24.88	14.49	
Household services and operation	10.07	11.05	9.89	12.56	10.61	
Medical care and health expenses	5.82	4.89	2.40	5.67	5.19	
Transport	18.84	40.82	23.96	33.40	25.27	
Recreation	15.54	19.97	15.62	31.90	18.99	
Personal care	3.16	3.65	3.72	4.38	3.52	
Miscellaneous commodities and services	6.08	17.34	10.21	14.75	9.79	
Total commodity or service expenditure	150.64	250.05	195.46	234.10	185.69	
Selected other payments						
Income tax	2.64	12.79	2.02	9.68	5.25	
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	0.52	3.33	1.77	2.24	1.40	
Other capital housing costs	7.04	*2.28	*5.08	*14.69	7.37	
Superannuation and life insurance	0.28	1.34	0.41	1.22	0.61	
Household characteristics						
Average weekly household income \$(c)	139.41	176.56	157.35	176.90	153.74	
Average age of household head (years)	70.5	38.3	37.3	63.5	60.0	
Average number of persons per household:						
Under 18 years	No. 0.06	1.39	1.56	0.26	0.50	
18 to 64 years	No. 0.43	1.89	1.17	1.04	0.85	
65 years and over	No. 1.11	0.01	0.01	0.72	0.73	
Total	No. 1.60	3.29	2.74	2.03	2.08	
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:						
Owned outright	% 74.4	22.2	18.1	62.8	57.0	
Being bought	% 4.7	16.0	11.5	20.7	10.0	
Renting—government	% 8.1	17.6	29.1	5.8	12.0	
Renting—private	% 8.8	40.9	34.0	7.4	16.8	
Occupied rent-free	% 4.0	*3.3	*7.3	*3.3	4.2	
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	
Average number of employed persons per household(d)	No. 0.06	0.19	0.15	0.22	0.12	
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:						
Married couple:						
—only	% 38.9	13.1	0.0	51.5	31.9	
—with dependent children only	% 1.4	46.5	0.7	11.4	9.7	
—other	% 2.9	10.8	0.4	4.7	4.0	
Single parent one family household only	% 0.4	1.9	75.8	0.6	11.0	
Single person household	% 49.3	20.8	17.0	27.9	37.0	
Other(e)	% 7.2	6.9	6.2	3.9	6.4	
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	
Estimated number of households being in (f):						
Capital cities	(' 000) 429.1	116.6	111.6	124.1	781.4	
Other urban areas	(' 000) 226.4	56.9	58.7	74.5	416.5	
Rural areas	(' 000) 51.7	18.3	7.8	22.3	100.1	
Number of households in sample	No. 1,225	338	345	389	2,297	
Estimated total number in population:						
Households	(' 000) 707.2	191.8	178.1	220.9	1,298.0	
Persons	(' 000) 1,133.4	630.4	487.6	447.6	2,699.1	

(a) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 HES Information Paper (6527.0). (b) The average obtained when the total estimated expenditure for a particular broad expenditure group is divided by the estimated number of households within the scope of the survey in the relevant principal source of household income group. (c) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (d) See paragraph 16 of the Explanatory Notes. (e) Includes married couple and single parent families in multiple family households. (f) See paragraphs 17-19 of the Explanatory Notes.

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TABLE 34 : HOUSEHOLDS WITH WAGES AND SALARIES AS PRINCIPAL SOURCE OF INCOME : EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME QUINTILE GROUP, AUSTRALIA(a)

Weekly household gross income distribution(\$)						
	0-351	352-467	468-594	595-774	775 and over	All households
	Lowest 20%	Second quintile group	Third quintile group	Fourth quintile group	Highest 20%	
Broad expenditure group(b)						
Average weekly household expenditure (\$)(c)						
Commodity or service						
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	45.90	51.53	55.68	60.14	69.95	56.64
Fuel and power	9.03	11.00	11.29	11.98	14.12	11.48
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	58.31	70.84	78.72	89.47	117.39	82.95
Alcoholic beverages	9.17	12.29	14.42	17.98	25.44	15.86
Tobacco	5.89	6.82	6.91	7.10	7.38	6.82
Clothing and footwear	15.63	20.76	23.88	34.47	51.11	29.16
Household furnishings and equipment	19.77	27.32	33.20	39.54	50.49	34.06
Household services and operation	12.13	14.99	16.30	19.11	25.19	17.54
Medical care and health expenses	12.06	14.09	15.66	18.76	23.76	16.86
Transport	49.25	58.80	69.97	81.93	115.53	75.09
Recreation	28.45	41.90	48.07	61.58	89.02	53.80
Personal care	5.35	6.02	7.01	9.18	12.39	7.99
Miscellaneous commodities and services	17.50	22.90	30.85	34.35	56.81	32.48
Total commodity or service expenditure	288.44	359.27	411.94	485.57	658.58	440.73
Selected other payments						
Income tax	46.07	72.30	98.56	126.47	212.03	111.08
Mortgage payments— principal (selected dwelling)	5.49	6.96	8.74	10.34	12.84	8.87
Other capital housing costs	7.03	16.02	20.10	25.09	39.12	21.47
Superannuation and life insurance	6.60	12.74	16.20	20.54	30.38	17.29
Household characteristics						
Average weekly household income (\$)(d)	284.46	407.81	529.94	675.29	1,027.80	585.00
Proportion of total income being:						
Wages and salaries	% 91.0	89.2	90.6	92.0	91.0	90.9
Own business	% 0.7	1.5	1.5	1.4	2.6	1.8
Government pensions and benefits	% 5.9	6.7	4.4	2.9	1.7	3.6
Other	% 2.5	2.6	3.5	3.7	4.7	3.7
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average age of household head (years)	38.7	40.2	39.2	40.3	42.9	40.2
Average number of persons per household:						
Under 18 years	No. 0.95	1.14	1.11	1.05	0.97	1.04
18 to 64 years	No. 1.67	1.86	2.04	2.19	2.68	2.09
65 years and over	No. 0.03	0.07	0.05	0.06	0.05	0.05
Total	No. 2.65	3.08	3.20	3.29	3.70	3.18
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:						
Owned outright	% 25.2	25.6	24.5	29.2	29.0	26.7
Being bought	% 31.4	40.7	45.7	48.5	51.1	43.5
Renting—government	% 6.4	5.9	4.2	3.0	1.2	4.1
Renting—private	% 31.8	24.9	22.7	17.1	17.0	22.7
Occupied rent-free	% 5.3	2.8	2.9	2.2	1.8	3.0
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:						
Married couple:						
—only	% 16.4	14.9	21.5	24.1	19.1	19.2
—with dependent children only	% 40.0	43.9	43.3	37.2	27.7	38.4
—other	% 4.2	10.9	13.8	22.5	37.3	17.7
Single parent one family household only	% 5.6	4.5	2.2	2.6	1.0	3.2
Single person household	% 28.3	15.1	7.3	3.5	1.0	11.0
Other(e)	% 5.6	10.7	11.9	10.1	13.9	10.4
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Number of households in sample	No. 1,129	1,161	1,210	1,238	1,233	5,971
Estimated total number in population:						
Households	(' 000) 600.5	600.7	604.5	597.9	601.2	3,004.9
Persons	(' 000) 1,591.6	1,847.6	1,934.3	1,968.9	2,226.9	9,569.3

(a) The quintile groups in this table are 20% groupings of the estimated table population when households are ranked in ascending order according to each household's total gross weekly income. (b) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 HES Information Paper (6527.0). (c) The average obtained when the total estimated expenditure for a particular broad expenditure group is divided by the estimated number of households within the scope of the survey in the relevant quintile group. (d) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (e) Includes married couple and single parent families living in multiple family households.

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TABLE 35 : HOUSEHOLDS WITH OWN BUSINESS, INTEREST, RENT AND/OR DIVIDENDS, ETC AS PRINCIPAL SOURCE OF INCOME : EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME QUINTILE GROUP, AUSTRALIA(a)

		Weekly household gross income distribution(\$)					
		0-190	191-289	290-426	427-686	687 and over	
		Lowest 20%	Second quintile group	Third quintile group	Fourth quintile group	Highest 20%	All households
<i>Broad expenditure group(b)</i>							
		Average weekly household expenditure (\$)(c)					
Commodity or service							
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)		35.95	28.20	41.51	48.01	51.08	40.98
Fuel and power		10.30	9.26	10.83	13.35	17.30	12.21
Food and non-alcoholic beverages		53.13	61.02	73.49	82.74	102.28	74.53
Alcoholic beverages		8.19	10.97	8.72	13.95	17.64	11.89
Tobacco		3.56	4.40	3.88	4.28	5.18	4.26
Clothing and footwear		11.95	16.31	22.38	26.82	42.70	24.03
Household furnishings and equipment		17.82	15.28	19.43	29.60	41.00	24.63
Household services and operation		13.22	14.78	16.32	16.92	27.01	17.65
Medical care and health expenses		16.90	17.54	17.41	19.20	24.52	19.11
Transport		30.85	42.13	40.62	75.34	94.16	56.59
Recreation		29.16	26.76	36.54	48.35	69.10	42.00
Personal care		3.93	5.34	5.86	7.92	9.83	6.57
Miscellaneous commodities and services		21.56	15.99	25.36	37.42	46.50	29.39
Total commodity or service expenditure		256.51	267.97	322.35	423.90	548.30	363.84
Selected other payments							
Income tax		19.60	32.07	50.93	93.98	270.89	93.53
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)		6.69	5.06	6.64	6.58	9.42	6.88
Other capital housing costs		*14.13	*1.43	*41.37	*13.10	*72.21	28.54
Superannuation and life insurance		4.64	5.88	5.10	9.54	18.07	8.64
<i>Household characteristics</i>							
<i>Average weekly household income (\$)(d)</i>		<i>118.83</i>	<i>238.53</i>	<i>353.19</i>	<i>546.48</i>	<i>1,171.78</i>	<i>485.80</i>
Proportion of total income being:							
Wages and salaries	%	1.4	2.5	4.2	10.4	17.0	11.5
Own business	%	50.6	56.3	58.4	62.1	55.3	57.1
Government pensions and benefits	%	12.6	10.2	8.6	4.7	1.2	4.5
Other	%	*35.5	*31.0	28.9	22.8	26.5	26.9
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average age of household head (years)</i>		<i>51.7</i>	<i>51.9</i>	<i>49.2</i>	<i>49.6</i>	<i>48.5</i>	<i>50.2</i>
Average number of persons per household:							
Under 18 years	No.	0.61	0.77	1.09	1.08	1.01	0.91
18 to 64 years	No.	1.39	1.59	1.63	1.95	2.11	1.73
65 years and over	No.	0.27	0.27	0.35	0.32	0.21	0.29
Total	No.	2.28	2.62	3.07	3.35	3.33	2.93
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:							
Owned outright	%	61.6	59.2	54.4	54.9	64.5	58.9
Being bought	%	20.8	22.4	31.1	31.5	31.1	27.4
Renting—government	%	*0.7	*0.5	0.7	1.3	*0.8	0.8
Renting—private	%	12.9	12.1	10.6	10.7	3.6	10.0
Occupied rent-free	%	*4.0	*5.9	*3.1	*1.7	*0.0	2.9
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:							
Married couple:							
—only	%	25.3	33.4	25.1	24.5	23.5	26.4
—with dependent children only	%	27.6	36.0	38.4	36.7	34.6	34.7
—other	%	5.1	5.9	12.2	24.6	25.7	14.7
Single parent one family household only	%	1.2	1.5	2.5	0.6	1.0	1.4
Single person household	%	37.5	20.2	13.6	6.6	9.1	17.4
Other(e)	%	*3.4	*2.9	*8.2	*7.1	*6.0	5.5
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Number of households in sample</i>	No.	<i>191</i>	<i>185</i>	<i>211</i>	<i>211</i>	<i>204</i>	<i>1,002</i>
Estimated total number in population:							
Households	(' 000)	117.0	114.4	116.8	115.5	116.2	579.9
Persons	(' 000)	266.3	300.1	358.1	386.7	387.3	1,698.5

(a) The quintile groups in this table are 20% groupings of the estimated table population when households are ranked in ascending order according to each household's total gross weekly income. (b) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 HES Information Paper (6527.0). (c) The average obtained when the total estimated expenditure for a particular broad expenditure group is divided by the estimated number of households within the scope of the survey in the relevant quintile group. (d) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (e) Includes married couple and single parent families living in multiple family households.

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TABLE 36 : HOUSEHOLDS WITH SUPERANNUATION AS PRINCIPAL SOURCE OF INCOME : EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME QUINTILE GROUP, AUSTRALIA(a)

	Weekly household gross income distribution(\$)					All households
	0-203	204-266	267-339	340-433	434 and over	
	Lowest 20%	Second quintile group	Third quintile group	Fourth quintile group	Highest 20%	
<i>Broad expenditure group(b)</i>						
	Average weekly household expenditure (\$)(c)					
Commodity or service						
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	24.07	26.77	49.61	51.18	33.28	37.00
Fuel and power	6.32	7.70	9.52	9.66	14.17	9.48
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	41.41	46.03	59.28	52.15	68.72	53.49
Alcoholic beverages	6.03	8.55	17.86	7.14	12.15	10.31
Tobacco	4.13	6.08	1.08	3.37	3.92	3.73
Clothing and footwear	9.91	10.53	17.75	14.78	23.75	15.33
Household furnishings and equipment	*30.45	*17.51	25.30	11.88	63.49	29.64
Household services and operation	11.38	11.04	13.99	18.45	22.43	15.47
Medical care and health expenses	13.05	14.24	16.32	19.77	20.98	16.89
Transport	24.21	36.10	46.39	57.51	45.43	41.99
Recreation	33.32	36.52	35.48	45.88	82.45	46.76
Personal care	4.82	3.71	8.22	6.57	7.69	6.20
Miscellaneous commodities and services	7.47	10.13	17.39	15.93	34.72	17.12
Total commodity or service expenditure	216.58	234.90	318.18	314.28	433.17	303.40
Selected other payments						
Income tax	34.73	39.19	65.79	72.98	142.30	71.01
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	*0.48	*1.50	*0.72	*0.95	*0.48	0.83
Other capital housing costs	*	*	*	*	*	*6.33
Superannuation and life insurance	1.51	0.84	0.55	0.69	2.40	1.20
<i>Household characteristics</i>						
<i>Average weekly household income \$(d)</i>	150.35	233.97	301.76	382.34	568.41	327.74
Proportion of total income being:						
Wages and salaries	% 0.0	1.4	1.7	0.1	9.3	3.8
Own business	% *0.2	*0.0	1.8	2.0	0.0	0.8
Government pensions and benefits	% 25.8	21.0	9.6	13.9	7.6	13.1
Other	% *	*	*	*	*	*82.4
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average age of household head (years)</i>	63.9	64.5	64.4	69.4	68.0	66.1
Average number of persons per household:						
Under 18 years	No. 0.09	0.06	0.05	0.13	0.19	0.10
18 to 64 years	No. 0.65	0.93	1.00	0.80	1.04	0.88
65 years and over	No. *0.52	*0.61	*0.75	*1.01	*1.07	0.79
Total	No. 1.26	1.60	1.79	1.94	2.30	1.78
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:						
Owned outright	% 57.7	69.0	84.1	83.4	84.8	75.8
Being bought	% 18.5	24.5	12.9	15.8	15.2	17.4
Renting—government	% *	*	*	*	*	*2.6
Renting—private	% *16.3	*0.0	*0.6	*0.7	*0.0	3.5
Occupied rent-free	% *	*	*	*	*	*0.7
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:						
Married couple:						
—only	% *8.2	*47.7	*70.6	*52.8	*43.0	44.4
—with dependent children only	% 3.6	0.0	2.2	7.2	0.0	2.6
—other	% *	*	*0.0	*3.6	*24.5	5.6
Single parent one family household only	% *	*	*	*	*	2.7
Single person household	% *80.5	*43.2	*25.1	*22.3	*15.3	37.2
Other(e)	% *	*	*	*	*	*7.4
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Number of households in sample</i>	No. 32	34	41	40	41	188
Estimated total number in population:						
Households	(' 000) 18.6	18.9	18.4	19.2	18.7	93.8
Persons	(' 000) 23.5	30.1	33.0	37.2	43.0	166.8

(a) The quintile groups in this table are 20% groupings of the estimated table population when households are ranked in ascending order according to each household's total gross weekly income. (b) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 HES Information Paper (6527.0). (c) The average obtained when the total estimated expenditure for a particular broad expenditure group is divided by the estimated number of households within the scope of the survey in the relevant quintile group. (d) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (e) Includes married couple and single parent families living in multiple family households.

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TABLE 37 : HOUSEHOLDS WITH OTHER PRIVATE INCOME AS PRINCIPAL SOURCE OF INCOME : EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME QUINTILE GROUP, AUSTRALIA(a)

		Weekly household gross income distribution(\$)					All households
		0-153	154-229	230-291	292-408	409 and over	
		Lowest 20%	Second quintile group	Third quintile group	Fourth quintile group	Highest 20%	
<i>Broad expenditure group(b)</i>							
Average weekly household expenditure (\$)(c)							
Commodity or service							
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)		26.51	43.94	50.51	37.78	51.33	42.30
Fuel and power		6.14	9.60	11.75	10.27	10.87	9.77
Food and non-alcoholic beverages		80.41	61.31	52.89	65.48	98.44	71.67
Alcoholic beverages		2.38	*9.86	*2.95	*11.52	*19.47	9.27
Tobacco		2.01	*7.57	*5.55	*3.40	*6.19	5.00
Clothing and footwear		*10.96	*21.99	*4.79	*12.26	*28.72	15.83
Household furnishings and equipment		*12.56	*33.63	*15.59	*27.62	*14.52	20.76
Household services and operation		9.08	12.09	14.55	15.51	20.15	14.33
Medical care and health expenses		8.87	13.35	8.05	14.04	22.16	13.33
Transport		15.54	41.22	32.81	*42.99	33.01	33.17
Recreation		19.59	37.26	38.84	*21.26	53.22	34.43
Personal care		4.95	2.67	5.58	*5.44	*7.76	5.28
Miscellaneous commodities and services		*9.43	*18.47	*29.62	*19.15	*63.13	28.36
Total commodity or service expenditure		208.42	312.97	273.49	286.70	428.96	303.50
Selected other payments							
Income tax		20.60	20.49	15.61	38.61	75.66	34.28
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)		*	*	*	*	*	2.50
Other capital housing costs		*	*	*	*	*	*
Superannuation and life insurance		*1.54	*0.27	*1.63	*0.96	*2.25	1.34
<i>Household characteristics</i>							
<i>Average weekly household income (\$)(d)</i>		101.32	189.37	270.85	347.82	617.25	307.33
Proportion of total income being:							
Wages and salaries	%	0.0	0.3	0.0	10.7	19.5	10.4
Own business	%	*1.7	*0.8	*0.0	*0.0	*4.4	2.0
Government pensions and benefits	%	8.1	13.0	27.0	13.9	6.0	12.6
Other	%	*	*	*	*	*	*75.1
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average age of household head (years)</i>		42.9	47.7	38.5	52.4	56.6	47.6
Average number of persons per household:							
Under 18 years	No.	0.36	0.72	*0.61	*0.54	*1.10	0.67
18 to 64 years	No.	1.07	1.73	2.17	1.51	1.49	1.60
65 years and over	No.	*	*	*	*	*	0.41
Total	No.	1.76	2.63	2.85	2.62	3.50	2.68
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:							
Owned outright	%	*38.4	*55.9	*27.5	*56.1	*60.5	47.6
Being bought	%	*3.5	*3.7	*23.2	*14.0	*3.4	9.6
Renting—government	%	*	*	*	*	*	*1.3
Renting—private	%	*	*	*	*	*	36.6
Occupied rent-free	%	*	*	*	*	*	*
Total	%	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:							
Married couple:							
—only	%	*14.2	*33.9	*	*	*	29.1
—with dependent children only	%	*19.9	*38.0	*22.1	*10.1	*28.2	23.9
—other	%	*	*	*	*	*	*9.7
Single parent one family household only	%	*	*	*	*	*	*4.1
Single person household	%	*	*	*	*	*	17.7
Other(e)	%	*	*	*	*	*	*15.5
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Number of households in sample</i>	No.	23	21	18	16	17	95
Estimated total number in population:							
Households	(' 000)	10.0	10.6	10.8	9.8	10.7	51.9
Persons	(' 000)	17.6	27.9	30.7	25.7	37.3	139.1

(a) The quintile groups in this table are 20% groupings of the estimated table population when households are ranked in ascending order according to each household's total gross weekly income. (b) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 HES Information Paper (6527.0). (c) The average obtained when the total estimated expenditure for a particular broad expenditure group is divided by the estimated number of households within the scope of the survey in the relevant quintile group. (d) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (e) Includes married couple and single parent families living in multiple family households.

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TABLE 38 : HOUSEHOLDS WITH UNEMPLOYMENT OR SICKNESS BENEFIT AS PRINCIPAL SOURCE OF INCOME :
EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME QUINTILE GROUP, AUSTRALIA(a)

Weekly household gross income distribution(\$)						
	0- 100	101- 160	161- 186	187- 227	228 and over	All house- holds
	Lowest 20%	Second quintile group	Third quintile group	Fourth quintile group	Highest 20%	
Broad expenditure group(b)						
Average weekly household expenditure (\$)(c)						
Commodity or service						
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	36.52	37.55	44.17	49.59	54.63	44.42
Fuel and power	6.03	8.46	8.54	11.07	10.94	9.00
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	23.94	47.62	54.49	61.68	91.77	56.03
Alcoholic beverages	5.46	7.08	4.04	5.88	9.87	6.56
Tobacco	3.60	8.12	7.97	8.89	9.22	7.55
Clothing and footwear	3.07	7.03	16.62	8.98	21.24	11.34
Household furnishings and equipment	9.71	11.59	16.37	15.05	33.87	17.42
Household services and operation	6.18	9.74	10.65	14.43	14.39	11.05
Medical care and health expenses	2.68	4.69	7.11	4.57	5.58	4.89
Transport	17.15	37.40	34.51	42.49	71.09	40.82
Recreation	12.08	20.32	24.26	21.79	21.80	19.97
Personal care	1.31	2.79	3.30	4.70	6.15	3.65
Miscellaneous commodities and services	11.03	28.00	9.18	10.02	26.14	17.34
Total commodity or service expenditure	138.77	230.40	241.21	259.14	376.70	250.05
Selected other payments						
Income tax	7.35	17.10	16.02	8.40	14.69	12.79
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	*2.18	*0.75	*3.10	*4.94	*5.84	3.33
Other capital housing costs	*	*	*	*	*	*2.28
Superannuation and life insurance	0.78	1.16	1.08	0.90	2.66	1.34
Household characteristics						
Average weekly household income (\$)(d)	80.34	142.44	176.91	207.50	275.95	176.56
Proportion of total income being:						
Wages and salaries	% 0.2	1.5	1.1	2.9	6.1	3.1
Own business	% 0.2	0.2	0.8	0.9	0.8	0.7
Government pensions and benefits	% 95.4	95.0	95.9	93.1	87.9	92.5
Other	% *4.1	*3.3	*	*3.2	*5.2	3.8
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average age of household head (years)	39.2	40.5	34.0	36.5	40.3	38.3
Average number of persons per household:						
Under 18 years	No. 0.09	0.41	1.53	2.25	2.76	1.39
18 to 64 years	No. 1.02	1.85	1.97	2.08	2.50	1.89
65 years and over	No. *0.00	*0.03	*0.00	*0.00	*0.02	0.01
Total	No. 1.11	2.29	3.50	4.33	5.27	3.29
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:						
Owned outright	% 17.0	33.6	22.6	18.3	18.7	22.2
Being bought	% 12.2	7.3	14.1	20.3	26.2	16.0
Renting—government	% *2.8	*13.6	*23.9	*21.7	*26.8	17.6
Renting—private	% 59.7	43.2	*39.4	35.6	26.6	40.9
Occupied rent-free	% *	*	*	*	*	*3.3
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:						
Married couple:						
—only	% 1.1	51.0	5.4	4.9	0.0	13.1
—with dependent children only	% 2.3	22.8	83.4	79.0	51.7	46.5
—other	% *1.1	*4.6	*1.4	*12.1	*33.8	10.8
Single parent one family household only	% *1.2	*3.0	*3.3	*2.1	*0.0	1.9
Single person household	% *92.4	*9.8	*0.0	*0.0	*0.0	20.8
Other(e)	% *	*	*	*	*	6.9
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Number of households in sample	No. 69	71	60	69	69	338
Estimated total number in population:						
Households	(' 000) 38.7	41.4	35.2	36.2	40.3	191.8
Persons	(' 000) 43.0	94.9	123.4	156.6	212.6	630.4

(a) The quintile groups in this table are 20% groupings of the estimated table population when households are ranked in ascending order according to each household's total gross weekly income. (b) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 HES Information Paper (6527.0). (c) The average obtained when the total estimated expenditure for a particular broad expenditure group is divided by the estimated number of households within the scope of the survey in the relevant quintile group. (d) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (e) Includes married couple and single parent families living in multiple family households.

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TABLE 39 : HOUSEHOLDS WITH AGE OR INVALID OR WIFE'S PENSION AS PRINCIPAL SOURCE OF INCOME :
EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME QUINTILE GROUP, AUSTRALIA(a)

				Weekly household gross income distribution(\$)					All house- holds
				0- 92	93- 108	109- 151	152- 180	181 and over	
				Lowest 20%	Second quintile group	Third quintile group	Fourth quintile group	Highest 20%	
Broad expenditure group(b)									
				Average weekly household expenditure (\$)(c)					
Commodity or service									
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)				17.55	17.84	20.56	22.44	21.10	19.89
Fuel and power				5.49	5.02	7.78	8.33	9.30	7.18
Food and non-alcoholic beverages				26.68	25.17	36.98	48.58	55.69	38.57
Alcoholic beverages				1.64	1.86	3.56	4.23	5.32	3.32
Tobacco				1.86	1.51	2.52	3.28	4.69	2.77
Clothing and footwear				5.11	5.28	9.23	12.36	16.45	9.66
Household furnishings and equipment				3.28	8.15	10.82	12.46	14.17	9.75
Household services and operation				7.68	7.90	9.80	11.00	14.03	10.07
Medical care and health expenses				4.92	3.50	5.23	7.55	7.91	5.82
Transport				6.70	8.61	22.35	26.04	30.84	18.84
Recreation				9.91	11.74	15.84	17.36	22.98	15.54
Personal care				1.94	2.24	3.65	3.97	4.03	3.16
Miscellaneous commodities and services				5.24	4.99	4.72	5.44	10.06	6.08
Total commodity or service expenditure				98.01	103.82	153.04	183.06	216.58	150.64
Selected other payments									
Income tax				0.92	0.76	4.21	2.47	4.93	2.64
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)				0.11	0.32	1.16	0.49	0.56	0.52
Other capital housing costs				*1.72	*4.82	*10.19	*10.11	*8.47	7.04
Superannuation and life insurance				0.08	0.25	0.29	0.35	0.44	0.28
Household characteristics									
Average weekly household income \$(d)				88.09	99.17	132.66	164.97	213.49	139.41
Proportion of total income being:									
Wages and salaries	%			0.0	0.2	0.2	0.3	1.6	0.6
Own business	%			0.1	0.0	0.4	0.2	0.5	0.3
Government pensions and benefits	%			98.9	92.1	87.4	91.2	80.6	88.4
Other	%			1.0	7.8	12.0	8.4	17.3	10.7
Total	%			100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average age of household head (years)				72.3	70.6	70.6	69.9	69.4	70.5
Average number of persons per household:									
Under 18 years	No.			0.00	0.01	0.04	0.05	0.20	0.06
18 to 64 years	No.			0.21	0.20	0.38	0.58	0.78	0.43
65 years and over	No.			0.82	0.81	1.14	1.40	1.40	1.11
Total	No.			1.03	1.02	1.56	2.03	2.38	1.60
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:									
Owned outright	%			71.8	60.6	78.6	77.9	83.5	74.4
Being bought	%			2.0	3.8	6.0	6.2	5.4	4.7
Renting—government	%			10.7	13.5	6.4	5.8	4.1	8.1
Renting—private	%			7.4	16.8	6.7	8.4	4.8	8.8
Occupied rent-free	%			*8.2	*5.3	*2.3	*1.7	*2.3	4.0
Total	%			100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:									
Married couple:									
—only	%			2.2	0.5	48.7	84.9	58.5	38.9
—with dependent children only	%			0.0	0.0	0.6	1.8	4.5	1.4
—other	%			0.0	0.0	1.1	0.9	12.5	2.9
Single parent one family household only	%			0.0	0.9	0.0	0.2	1.1	0.4
Single person household	%			97.4	97.7	48.4	2.0	0.0	49.3
Other(e)	%			0.4	0.8	1.2	10.1	23.4	7.2
Total	%			100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Number of households in sample				No. 255	246	234	263	227	1,225
Estimated total number in population:									
Households	(' 000)			144.0	141.1	139.3	143.0	139.8	707.2
Persons	(' 000)			147.8	144.4	217.3	290.8	333.2	1,133.4

(a) The quintile groups in this table are 20% groupings of the estimated table population when households are ranked in ascending order according to each household's total gross weekly income. (b) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 HES Information Paper (6527.0). (c) The average obtained when the total estimated expenditure for a particular broad expenditure group is divided by the estimated number of households within the scope of the survey in the relevant quintile group. (d) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (e) Includes married couple and single parent families living in multiple family households.

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TABLE 40 : HOUSEHOLDS WITH SUPPORTING PARENT'S BENEFIT OR WIDOW'S PENSION AS PRINCIPAL SOURCE OF INCOME : EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME QUINTILE GROUP, AUSTRALIA(a)

Weekly household gross income distribution(\$)						
	0-114	115-134	135-157	158-189	190 and over	All households
	Lowest 20%	Second quintile group	Third quintile group	Fourth quintile group	Highest 20%	
Broad expenditure group(b)						
Average weekly household expenditure \$(c)						
Commodity or service						
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	26.66	38.63	34.96	45.09	41.88	37.37
Fuel and power	7.28	7.15	9.15	8.71	10.38	8.56
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	28.31	35.77	45.32	49.26	67.65	45.36
Alcoholic beverages	1.12	1.85	2.03	2.20	5.43	2.52
Tobacco	3.28	2.37	4.12	5.98	9.73	5.11
Clothing and footwear	8.70	13.02	8.86	15.16	21.95	13.46
Household furnishings and equipment	11.65	25.62	13.77	19.04	17.20	17.28
Household services and operation	8.40	8.25	8.80	11.72	12.30	9.89
Medical care and health expenses	1.53	1.77	2.69	2.35	3.61	2.40
Transport	9.24	14.03	24.46	32.94	38.50	23.96
Recreation	10.49	11.29	13.68	15.35	27.20	15.62
Personal care	2.53	3.15	2.88	4.82	5.24	3.72
Miscellaneous commodities and services	4.61	8.56	8.94	12.87	16.13	10.21
Total commodity or service expenditure	123.80	171.45	179.64	225.49	277.20	195.46
Selected other payments						
Income tax	1.51	0.84	0.77	1.76	5.22	2.02
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	*0.51	*4.71	*1.12	*1.14	1.66	1.77
Other capital housing costs	*	*	*	*	*	*5.08
Superannuation and life insurance	0.14	0.24	0.23	0.95	0.47	0.41
Household characteristics						
Average weekly household income \$(d)	99.45	124.20	143.19	173.66	245.70	157.35
Proportion of total income being:						
Wages and salaries	% 0.6	3.3	0.4	3.3	7.4	3.7
Own business	% 0.1	0.0	0.0	0.9	0.8	0.5
Government pensions and benefits	% 96.6	92.9	94.0	82.4	83.5	88.4
Other	% *2.7	*	*5.6	*13.4	*8.3	7.5
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average age of household head (years)	50.2	32.9	32.7	32.5	38.4	37.3
Average number of persons per household:						
Under 18 years	No. 0.29	1.07	1.76	2.14	2.49	1.56
18 to 64 years	No. 0.98	1.00	1.02	1.12	1.70	1.17
65 years and over	No. *0.04	*0.00	*0.00	*0.00	*0.03	0.01
Total	No. 1.31	2.07	2.78	3.27	4.22	2.74
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:						
Owned outright	% 40.8	16.9	6.6	11.7	15.0	18.1
Being bought	% 10.2	9.3	8.8	12.8	16.7	11.5
Renting—government	% *25.7	*37.5	*31.7	*21.3	*29.6	29.1
Renting—private	% 18.7	*34.6	38.2	43.2	35.3	34.0
Occupied rent-free	% *	*	*	*	*	*7.3
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:						
Married couple:						
—only	% 0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
—with dependent children only	% 0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.3	0.7
—other	% *0.0	*0.0	*0.0	*2.2	*0.0	0.4
Single parent one family household only	% *27.5	*86.1	*95.5	*94.3	*75.1	75.8
Single person household	% *70.7	*12.2	*2.4	*0.0	0.0	17.0
Other(e)	% *1.9	*	*	*	*21.6	6.2
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Number of households in sample	No. 74	60	68	65	78	345
Estimated total number in population:						
Households	(' 000) 35.7	33.1	38.4	35.5	35.4	178.1
Persons	(' 000) 46.8	68.4	106.8	116.0	149.5	487.6

(a) The quintile groups in this table are 20% groupings of the estimated table population when households are ranked in ascending order according to each household's total gross weekly income. (b) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 HES Information Paper (6527.0). (c) The average obtained when the total estimated expenditure for a particular broad expenditure group is divided by the estimated number of households within the scope of the survey in the relevant quintile group. (d) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (e) Includes married couple and single parent families living in multiple family households.

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TABLE 41 : HOUSEHOLDS WITH OTHER GOVERNMENT CASH BENEFITS AS PRINCIPAL SOURCE OF INCOME :
EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME QUINTILE GROUP, AUSTRALIA(a)

	Weekly household gross income distribution(\$)					
	0- 133	134- 158	159- 186	187- 220	221 and over	
	Lowest 20%	Second quintile group	Third quintile group	Fourth quintile group	Highest 20%	All house- holds
<i>Broad expenditure group(b)</i>						
	Average weekly household expenditure (\$)(c)					
Commodity or service						
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	23.64	17.43	22.20	25.44	24.70	22.67
Fuel and power	8.90	7.04	7.42	9.05	8.29	8.14
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	48.45	41.42	48.90	51.00	61.77	50.30
Alcoholic beverages	9.12	5.48	6.57	7.86	13.27	8.47
Tobacco	5.42	3.70	2.15	3.32	5.85	4.11
Clothing and footwear	13.48	11.40	9.55	11.34	18.55	12.89
Household furnishings and equipment	12.60	10.50	18.54	25.53	57.25	24.88
Household services and operation	9.72	10.44	14.36	13.32	15.09	12.56
Medical care and health expenses	7.65	3.23	4.19	5.92	7.32	5.67
Transport	25.82	22.49	44.79	36.92	37.63	33.40
Recreation	23.26	18.11	37.70	34.88	46.02	31.90
Personal care	3.24	4.48	4.66	4.46	5.07	4.38
Miscellaneous commodities and services	9.67	24.07	7.75	10.11	21.74	14.75
Total commodity or service expenditure	200.96	179.81	228.78	239.14	322.55	234.10
Selected other payments						
Income tax	10.16	4.63	9.18	9.27	15.20	9.68
Mortgage payments-principal (selected dwelling)	6.49	*0.90	*0.84	0.95	1.91	2.24
Other capital housing costs	*	*	*	*	*	*14.69
Superannuation and life insurance	2.25	1.65	0.41	0.74	0.98	1.22
<i>Household characteristics</i>						
<i>Average weekly household income (\$)(d)</i>	65.85	151.19	172.21	199.97	296.85	176.90
Proportion of total income being:						
Wages and salaries	% 2.0	0.0	0.7	1.8	5.2	2.4
Own business	% 0.0	0.5	0.0	0.2	0.3	0.2
Government pensions and benefits	% 89.3	97.3	85.2	83.1	77.1	84.4
Other	% *8.7	*2.3	*14.1	*15.0	*17.5	13.0
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average age of household head (years)</i>	52.2	69.0	65.3	65.7	65.6	63.5
Average number of persons per household:						
Under 18 years	No. 0.92	0.00	0.06	0.10	0.22	0.26
18 to 64 years	No. 1.26	0.69	1.03	1.00	1.22	1.04
65 years and over	No. *0.22	*0.93	*0.65	0.91	0.91	0.72
Total	No. 2.40	1.62	1.74	2.01	2.35	2.03
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:						
Owned outright	% 47.3	62.1	70.8	67.5	66.6	62.8
Being bought	% 23.7	17.0	22.5	20.1	20.2	20.7
Renting—government	% *11.8	*8.6	*0.0	*3.8	*4.5	5.8
Renting—private	% 8.2	7.3	5.4	8.6	7.6	7.4
Occupied rent-free	% *	*	*	*	*	*3.3
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:						
Married couple:						
—only	% 3.4	60.5	62.5	76.9	55.4	51.5
—with dependent children only	% 40.4	0.0	4.3	5.7	6.3	11.4
—other	% *1.4	*0.0	*0.0	*3.1	*18.6	4.7
Single parent one family household only	% *0.0	*0.0	*1.6	*0.0	*1.6	0.6
Single person household	% 52.4	*38.2	*29.8	8.8	9.6	27.9
Other(e)	% *2.4	*	*1.7	*5.6	*8.5	3.9
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Number of households in sample</i>	No. 80	70	72	84	83	389
Estimated total number in population:						
Households	(' 000) 44.9	44.9	43.0	43.6	44.5	220.9
Persons	(' 000) 107.7	72.7	74.9	87.7	104.6	447.6

(a) The quintile groups in this table are 20% groupings of the estimated table population when households are ranked in ascending order according to each household's total gross weekly income. (b) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 HES Information Paper (6527.0). (c) The average obtained when the total estimated expenditure for a particular broad expenditure group is divided by the estimated number of households within the scope of the survey in the relevant quintile group. (d) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (e) Includes married couple and single parent families living in multiple family households.

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TABLE 42 : HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS FOR SELECTED HOUSEHOLD TYPES

Broad expenditure group(a)	Single person only, under 35	Married couple—husband and wife only, head only, under 35	Married couple with dependent children only			Married couple with		Married couple—husband and wife only, head only, 55 to 64	Married couple—husband and wife only, head only, 65 and over	Single person only, 65 and over
			Eldest child under 5	Eldest child 5 to 14	Eldest child 15 to 24	Dependent and non-dependent children only	Non-dependent children only			
Average weekly household expenditure (\$)(b)										
Commodity or service										
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	55.57	75.25	64.98	57.20	48.14	45.16	34.73	25.96	22.38	19.70
Fuel and power	5.83	9.11	11.91	12.48	15.74	15.35	13.47	10.14	9.03	5.59
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	38.25	69.90	68.97	86.95	105.64	121.39	106.65	60.31	51.26	26.24
Alcoholic beverages	12.26	15.63	9.83	10.37	12.40	19.31	24.06	12.46	5.74	2.67
Tobacco	3.80	5.51	6.04	5.77	5.54	8.90	9.35	4.85	2.64	1.34
Clothing and footwear	12.57	27.41	19.10	25.23	38.24	46.99	40.48	18.28	13.69	6.31
Household furnishings and equipment	20.60	47.94	30.81	30.07	27.92	33.23	41.91	29.23	15.33	8.41
Household services and operation	7.97	14.95	20.75	18.91	17.79	21.46	18.71	15.26	13.61	9.12
Medical care and health expenses	5.62	12.45	15.60	16.50	19.94	22.07	23.16	15.77	11.06	6.07
Transport	44.49	72.61	57.01	58.61	67.73	116.27	118.38	55.11	33.07	11.96
Recreation	34.33	52.75	32.12	45.55	63.54	66.77	67.72	41.16	25.12	14.24
Personal care	4.47	7.16	5.70	6.53	9.51	12.07	10.98	4.94	4.50	3.03
Miscellaneous commodities and services	16.67	32.17	21.73	31.28	44.98	43.13	33.36	30.16	9.11	6.64
Total commodity or service expenditure	262.44	442.84	364.53	405.45	477.11	572.13	542.96	323.63	216.55	121.31
Selected other payments										
Income tax	63.47	115.47	83.91	93.60	138.40	128.35	125.29	70.22	21.46	11.35
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	5.52	14.50	11.01	10.42	9.99	9.06	4.49	3.04	0.43	0.25
Other capital housing costs	*11.30	*47.15	28.49	19.02	*36.08	*15.99	*19.45	*11.75	7.73	1.96
Superannuation and life insurance	7.73	16.71	14.33	15.86	20.78	19.03	17.13	9.71	0.96	0.20
Proportion of total expenditure on commodities and services (%)										
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	21.2	17.0	17.8	14.1	10.1	7.9	6.4	8.0	10.3	16.2
Fuel and power	2.2	2.1	3.3	3.1	3.3	2.7	2.5	3.1	4.2	4.6
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	14.6	15.8	18.9	21.5	22.1	21.2	19.6	18.6	23.7	21.6
Alcoholic beverages	4.7	3.5	2.7	2.6	2.6	3.4	4.4	3.9	2.7	2.2
Tobacco	1.5	1.2	1.7	1.4	1.2	1.6	1.7	1.5	1.2	1.1
Clothing and footwear	4.8	6.2	5.2	6.2	8.0	8.2	7.5	5.7	6.3	5.2
Household furnishings and equipment	7.9	10.8	8.5	7.4	5.9	5.8	7.7	9.0	7.1	6.9
Household services and operation	3.0	3.4	5.7	4.7	3.7	3.8	3.5	4.7	6.3	7.5
Medical care and health expenses	2.1	2.8	4.3	4.1	4.2	3.9	4.3	4.9	5.1	5.0
Transport	17.0	16.4	15.6	14.5	14.2	20.3	21.8	17.0	15.3	10.0
Recreation	13.1	11.9	8.8	11.2	13.3	11.7	12.5	12.7	11.6	11.7
Personal care	1.7	1.6	1.6	1.6	2.0	2.1	2.0	1.5	2.1	2.5
Miscellaneous commodities and services	6.4	7.3	6.0	7.7	9.4	7.5	6.1	9.3	4.2	5.5
Total commodity or service expenditure	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

(a) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 HES Information Paper (6527.0). (b) The average obtained when the total estimated expenditure for a particular broad expenditure group is divided by the estimated number of households within the scope of the survey in the relevant category of household type.

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TABLE 42 : HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS FOR SELECTED HOUSEHOLD TYPES—continued

Household characteristics	Single person only, under 35	Married couple—husband and wife only, head under 35	Married couple with dependent children only			Married couple with		Married couple—husband and wife only, head 55 to 64	Married couple—husband and wife only, head 65 and over	Single person only, 65 and over
			Eldest child under 5	Eldest child 5 to 14	Eldest child 15 to 24	Dependent and non-dependent children only	Non-dependent children only			
Average weekly household income (\$)(a)	327.65	618.38	453.73	509.21	618.17	750.47	712.36	363.85	237.36	133.38
Proportion of total income being:										
Wages and salaries	%	90.7	82.6	77.8	75.3	77.8	74.4	55.7	6.9	1.9
Own business	%	4.9	8.9	11.0	11.2	10.8	9.2	11.2	5.3	3.3
Government pensions and benefits	%	2.0	5.1	5.9	5.4	5.9	8.0	14.2	52.7	62.6
Other	%	2.5	3.4	5.3	8.2	5.5	8.5	18.9	35.2	32.3
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average age of household head (years)	26.5	26.9	30.2	37.3	45.3	47.0	56.0	59.8	71.8	74.0
Average number of persons per household:										
Under 18 years	No.	0.02	1.46	2.36	2.19	1.90	0.16	0.00	0.00	..
18 to 64 years	No.	0.98	2.00	2.00	2.16	3.04	2.96	1.94	0.32	..
65 years and over	No.		0.00	0.00	0.02	0.01	0.23	0.06	1.68	1.00
Total	No.	1.00	3.46	4.36	4.37	4.96	3.35	2.00	2.00	1.00
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:										
Owned outright	%	7.5	12.4	23.2	40.6	45.3	60.4	68.6	83.7	71.7
Being bought	%	25.1	55.1	53.1	45.9	41.7	29.9	20.9	7.5	4.9
Renting—government	%	0.5	5.5	7.3	3.1	6.0	3.0	3.6	3.7	7.6
Renting—private	%	60.8	23.3	13.5	7.7	5.5	4.9	5.5	3.5	10.5
Occupied rent-free	%	*6.1	3.7	3.0	2.8	1.5	1.9	1.5	1.8	5.4
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average number of employed persons per household(b)	No.	0.91	1.25	1.41	1.77	2.61	2.19	0.82	0.13	0.05
Estimated number of households being in(c):										
Capital cities	('000)	139.2	275.4	515.7	163.8	160.0	218.0	184.3	229.0	261.3
Other urban areas	('000)	51.5	94.5	226.4	61.7	59.3	78.2	101.2	136.6	119.0
Rural areas	('000)	11.8	47.4	91.7	21.3	32.7	29.4	35.3	29.9	18.9
Number of households in sample	No.	396	841	1,709	472	472	587	574	684	668
Estimated total number in population:										
Households	('000)	202.5	417.3	833.9	246.8	252.0	325.6	320.8	395.6	399.2
Persons	('000)	202.5	1,442.2	3,636.7	1,079.3	1,248.8	1,091.5	641.6	791.2	399.2

(a) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (b) See paragraph 16 of the Explanatory Notes. (c) See paragraphs 17-19 of the Explanatory Notes.

APPENDIX 1

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Scope and coverage

Geographical areas

The survey covered both rural and urban areas (except remote and sparsely settled areas) in all States and Territories. It should be noted however, that in the Northern Territory only households in Darwin and its environs and Alice Springs were included in the survey.

Dwellings

2. Only private dwellings and caravan sites were included in this survey. Private dwellings are houses, flats, home units, garages, tents and any other structures used as private places of residence at the time of the survey. Hotels, boarding houses, hospitals, etc. were regarded as 'special dwellings' outside the scope of the survey.

Households

3. Information was collected on a household basis (see paragraph 11 for definition of a household) rather than for selected individuals in the population, because many items of expenditure such as food, accommodation and household goods and appliances relate to the household as a unit.

4. The following households and individuals were excluded from the survey:

- (a) foreign diplomatic households and foreign diplomatic staff households;
- (b) foreign defence force staff households;
- (c) visitors staying with a household for less than six weeks after the initial interview;
- (d) households with one or more usual members, who were spenders, who could not be interviewed within 14 days after the initial approach; and
- (e) households with one or more usual members, present at the initial interview, who expected to be absent at the end of diary-keeping.

Survey design

5. The sample covered 9,571 fully responding households.

6. The process of identifying separate households was to select private dwellings (and caravans) and then to determine which households lived within each of these dwellings. The following table shows the distribution of the sample of households across States and Territories.

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NUMBER OF FULLY RESPONDING HOUSEHOLDS**

<i>State or Territory</i>	<i>Capital cities</i>	<i>Other urban</i>	<i>Rural</i>	<i>Total</i>
New South Wales	1,142	718	180	2,040
Victoria	1,325	471	151	1,947
Queensland	929	447	128	1,504
South Australia	863	108	78	1,049
Western Australia	892	140	52	1,084
Tasmania	546	123	49	718
Northern Territory	565	20	2	587
Australian Capital Territory	634	—	8	642
Australia	6,896	2,027	648	9,571

7. The method of sample selection differed for private dwellings and caravans. For private dwellings the sample was selected in three stages. First, a sample of 1981 Population Census Collector's Districts (CDs) was selected, then, within the selected CDs, blocks of roughly equal size were sampled; and, finally, a sample of dwellings was selected from a list of all private dwellings within each selected block.

8. A two-stage selection process was employed in the caravan strata. First, a number of caravan parks were selected and, second, a sample of sites was chosen from each selected caravan park.

9. A complex estimation procedure was then applied to enable the survey data to be expanded to obtain estimates for the defined population. The procedure was to apply an expansion factor ('weight') to each responding household. This included an adjustment to account for non-responding households from whom some or all information could not be obtained. The expansion factors used vary between geographic locations due to the different probability of selection for populations based on the State or Territory location of the household.

Data collection method

10. Trained interviewers were used to conduct personal interviews to collect information on expenditure items which occur infrequently (e.g. purchase of vehicles and property, and the payment of household bills such as electricity and gas) and to collect details of income from all household members aged 15 years and over. In addition, household members aged 15 years and over recorded all payments made during a specified period in a diary provided to each of them. The diary-keeping period was two weeks for the majority of households (households in rural areas were asked to record payments made during a four-week period). Consequently, each household was involved in the survey for either two or four weeks, although the sample of households was spread evenly over the twelve-month survey period, from January to December 1984.

Definitions and concepts

11. A *household* is defined as a group of people who live together (in a single dwelling) as a single unit in the sense that they have common housekeeping arrangements; that is, they have some common provision for food and other essentials of living. Persons living in the same dwelling but having separate catering arrangements constitute separate households.

12. The *head of a household* is taken to be that person nominated by the member(s) of the household as the 'head'.

13. *Age* was classified according to the person's age at last birthday.

14. *Family composition of the household* classification is divided into three broad groupings (single families, multiple families and households with only unrelated persons present, including single person households). Additional categories are formed according to the number of dependent (i.e. all persons aged less than 15 years and those aged 15-20 who are full-time students) and non-dependent offspring, the presence of non-family individuals, the number of unrelated persons and the identification of single parent families within the household.

15. The *nature of housing occupancy* is determined according to whether the selected dwelling is owned outright, in the process of being bought, being rented privately or through the Government (either furnished or unfurnished), or is occupied rent-free.

16. *Employed persons* comprise all those aged 15 years or over, who in their main job:

- (i) worked for one hour or more for pay, profit, commission or payment in kind in a job or business, or on a farm (including employees, employers and self-employed persons); or
- (ii) worked for fifteen hours or more without pay in a family business or on a farm (i.e. unpaid family helper); or
- (iii) were employees who had a job but were not at work and were: on paid leave; on leave without pay for less than four weeks prior to the interview date; stood down without pay because of bad weather or plant breakdown at their place of employment for less than four weeks prior to the interview date; on strike or locked out; on Workers' Compensation and expected to be returning to their job; or receiving wages or salary while undertaking full-time study; or were employers or self-employed persons who had a job, business or farm, but were not at work.

17. *Capital cities* (metropolitan areas) are defined as the six State capital city Statistical Divisions, the Canberra Statistical District as delimited for purposes of the 1981 Census of Population and Housing and, the Darwin Statistical Division as redefined in 1983.

18. *Other urban areas* are defined as all towns and urban centres with a population of 500 persons or more (excluding the capital cities) as delimited for purposes of the 1981 Census of Population and Housing.

19. *Rural areas* are defined as all localities with a population less than 500 persons. Remote areas with less than 0.06 dwellings per square kilometre were excluded from the survey.

Income

20. *Income* is defined as gross weekly income from all sources (before deductions for income tax, superannuation, etc.) at the time of the interview. Details of income were collected from all household members. In general, income is regarded as all money receipts which are received regularly. The main components of income are:

- (i) current usual wages and salaries;
- (ii) income derived from self-employment;
- (iii) government direct benefits (including benefits received from an overseas government);
- (iv) income from investments (including interest, dividends, royalties and rent); and
- (v) other regular income (including educational grants and private and government scholarships received in 'cash', superannuation, Workers' Compensation, alimony or maintenance, and any other allowances regularly received).

21. Although most information about income was obtained on a current basis, some was obtained in respect of the previous financial year.

22. The income data collected in the survey are only those types included in the definitions. The survey does not collect all funds available for expenditure. For this and other reasons, it would be incorrect to compare estimates of expenditure with the estimates of income and attribute the difference to savings or dis-savings. A detailed discussion of these issues is included under the headings "Definition of Expenditure and Income" and "Measurement of Savings" in the Explanatory Notes to *1984 Household Expenditure Survey Australia: Expenditure by Principal Source of Income of Households (Preliminary)* (6534.0).

23. The *principal source of income* for each household is derived using a classification of two levels. The first level of the classification differentiates between total *government cash benefits* and total *regular income from other sources* (mostly private income). At the next level, income is classified according to 21 individual sources of income and from this the principal source of income for each household was derived. Children's income, earned or unearned, was allocated to the nominated household head's income.

Expenditure

24. *Expenditure* is defined as the transaction cost of goods and services *acquired* during the reference period, whether or not those goods were paid for or consumed; e.g. goods purchased by Bankcard were counted as expenditure at the time they were acquired rather than at the time the Bankcard bill was paid. Expenditure is measured net of refunds or expected refunds (e.g. payments for doctors visits are net of any refunds received or expected from Medicare). Information about most types of expenditure was obtained from the diary, although some infrequently reported items of expenditure were collected on a 'recall' or last payment basis. The length of the recall period ranged from two years for house purchases to three months for health expenses. Expenditure data is presented on a household basis because many items of expenditure relate to the household as a unit.

25. For a comprehensive list of items of expenditure collected in the 1984 HES, and the composition of a particular broad expenditure group, reference should be made to Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 HES Information Paper.

26. The classification of expenditure in the survey—the Household Expenditure Survey Commodity Code List (HESCCL)—has two major divisions, i.e. expenditure on 'commodities and services' (the first 13 broad expenditure groups) and on what is termed 'other selected payments'. Other selected payments are composed mostly of capital items such as capital housing costs, superannuation and life insurance, but also includes income tax. This division differentiates between consumption type items, which were the major focus of the survey, and those which were not necessarily 'consumed' by the household (e.g. life insurance payments can be thought of as savings rather than spending).

27. *Average weekly household expenditure* is the average obtained when the total estimated expenditure for a particular expenditure group is divided by the estimated number of households within the scope of the survey.

Symbols and other usages

28. The following *symbols*, where shown in columns of figures or elsewhere in tables mean:

- .. not applicable
- n.e.c. not elsewhere classified
- * estimates preceded by an * indicate a standard error for that estimate of between 30% and 50%. Estimates replaced by an * indicate a standard error for that estimate of more than 50%.

29. Where figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals. Published percentages in tables are calculated prior to rounding of the figures and therefore some discrepancy may exist between these percentages and those that could be calculated from the rounded figures.

Electronic services

30. VIATEL. Key *656# for selected current economic, social and demographic statistics.

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APPENDIX 2

RELIABILITY OF THE ESTIMATES

The estimates provided in this publication are subject to two types of error.

Sampling error

2. This is the difference which would be expected between the estimate and the corresponding figure that would have been obtained from a collection based on the whole population, using the same questionnaires and procedures. A measure of the sampling error for a given estimate is provided by the standard error expressed as a percentage of the estimate (relative standard error). In this publication, estimates with a relative standard error between 30 and 50 per cent are preceded by an *. Estimates with a relative standard error greater than 50 per cent are suppressed and replaced by an *. Appendix 3 contains a discussion of sampling error, as well as giving details for calculating the percentage standard error for selected estimates in this publication.

Non-sampling error

3. These errors can occur whether the estimates are derived from a sample or from a complete enumeration, and are usually referred to as non-sampling errors. Three major sources of non-sampling error are:

- (a) inability to obtain comprehensive data from all households included in the sample. These errors arise because of differences which exist between the characteristics and patterns of expenditure and income between responding and non-responding households;
 - (b) errors in reporting on the part of both respondents and interviewers. These reporting errors may arise through inappropriate wording of questions, misunderstanding of what data are required, inability or unwillingness to provide accurate information and mistakes in answers to questions; and
 - (c) errors arising during processing of the survey data. These processing errors may arise through mistakes in coding and data recording as well as errors arising from incorrect classification of individual payments to some of the more detailed expenditure categories.
4. Non-sampling errors are difficult to measure in any collection. However, every effort was made to minimise these errors. In particular, the effect of the reporting and processing errors described above was minimised by careful questionnaire design, intensive training and supervision of interviewers, asking respondents to refer to records whenever possible and extensive editing and quality control checking at all stages of data processing.
5. The error due to incomplete response was minimised by call-backs to initially non-responding households in order to explain the importance of their co-operation to the project, and by adjustment to the 'weights' (the factors used to expand the sample data to obtain population estimates). The weights were allocated to the responding households in order to allow for households with similar characteristics from whom comprehensive data were not obtained.

APPENDIX 3

TECHNICAL NOTE ON SAMPLING VARIABILITY

Reliability of the estimates

Since the estimates in this publication are based on information obtained from occupants of a sample of dwellings they are subject to sampling variability; that is, they may differ from the figures that would have been produced if all dwellings had been included in the survey. One measure of the likely difference is given by the *standard error*, which indicates the extent to which an estimate might have varied by chance because only a sample of dwellings was included. There are about two chances in three that a sample estimate will differ by less than one standard error from the figure that would have been obtained if all dwellings had been included, and about nineteen chances in twenty that the difference will be less than two standard errors. Another measure of the likely difference is the relative standard error, which is obtained by expressing the standard error as a percentage of the estimate.

While it would have been possible to produce and publish standard errors for all estimates presented, this has not been done for the following reasons:

- (a) presentation difficulties would have been encountered because of the large number of estimates involved;
- (b) computer production of all standard errors would have been very costly;
- (c) the standard errors themselves are subject to sampling errors, and 'smoothing' or averaging them in the appropriate fashion improves their accuracy.

Tables in this publication are, for the most part, in a standard form: each column in the table corresponds to a category (e.g. *income groups*) and each row corresponds to an item (e.g. *average weekly household expenditure on current housing costs (selected dwelling)*, *average age of household head*). The entries in the table are estimates of the value of the items for each category. The relative standard errors of estimates at the Australia level are presented in Table A. The relative standard errors of estimates for sub-groups of the population can be obtained from the Australian figure and the factor line of the graph indicated in Table A. These figures will not give a precise measure of the standard error of a particular estimate but will provide an indication of its magnitude.

Calculation of standard errors for item estimates

To calculate the relative standard error of the estimate of item I for category C, use the formula

$$RSE = F \times R \%$$

where R is the relative standard error of the estimate of item I for Australian and is given in Table A. F is a factor based on the number of sampled households in category C and the variability of item I. It is obtained from the factor line graph using the line specified for that item in Table A.

The procedure for calculating relative standard errors is outlined below.

- (i) In the table containing the estimate look up the number of sampled households in the category.
- (ii) Using Table A, look up the Australian relative standard error R for that item, and beside it the letter of the factor line corresponding to that item.
- (iii) Read the factor F from the graph using the factor line from step (ii) and the number of sampled households from step (i).
- (iv) The relative standard error is $F \times R \%$.

An example of the calculation of a relative standard error is given below.

From Table 3 the average weekly household expenditure of single person households on recreation is \$22.45.

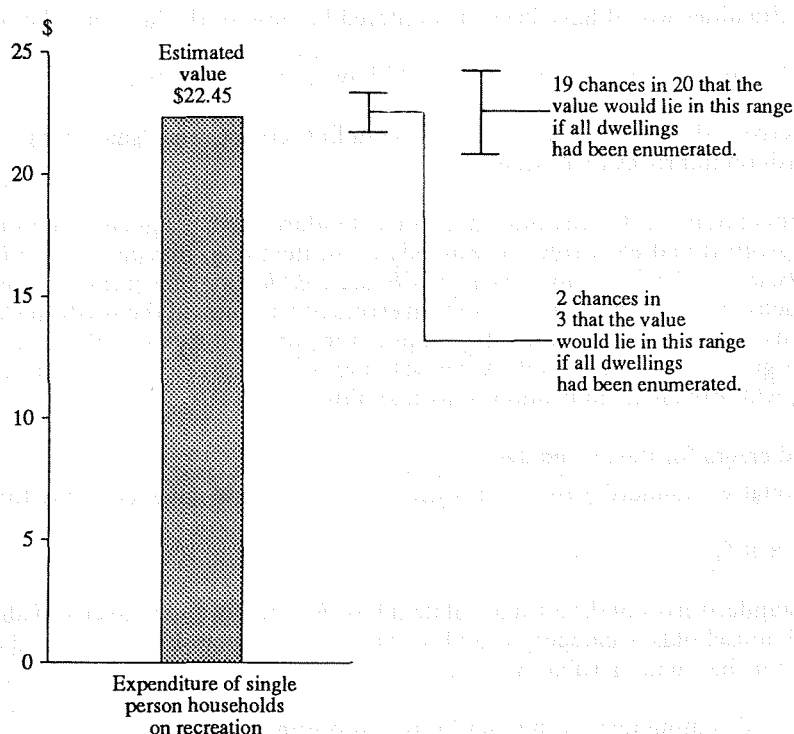
The relative standard error is as follows:

- (i) from Table 3 the number of sampled households is 1,733;
- (ii) from Table A the Australian relative standard error R is 1.7% and the factor line required is E;

- (iii) looking up line E on the graph with number of sampled household (1,733) gives the factor F —2.2;
- (iv) the relative standard error is thus $2.2 \times 1.7\% = 3.7\%$.

An example of the use of relative standard errors is as follows. The estimate of average weekly expenditure of single person households on recreation is \$22.45 with a relative standard error of 3.7% (see above). The standard error of this estimate is therefore $\$22.45 \times .037 = \0.83 . Thus, there are about 2 chances in 3 (or approximately with 67% confidence) that the true figures lies in the range \$21.62 to \$23.28 and about 19 chances in 20 (or approximately with 95% confidence) that the figure is in the range \$20.79 to \$24.11. This example is illustrated in the diagram below.

SAMPLING VARIABILITY



Calculation of standard errors for derived estimates

Many figures of interest may be derived by taking sums, differences and ratios of the published estimates. Approximate standard errors and relative standard errors for these "derived estimates" can be computed using the formulae below.

Let x_1 and x_2 be estimates and let $SE(x_1)$ be the standard error of x_1 .

- (a) Converting between relative standard error and standard error

$$RSE(x_1) = \frac{SE(x_1)}{x_1} \times 100\%$$

$$SE(x_1) = \frac{x_1 \cdot RSE(x_1)}{100}$$

(b) Sums — the standard error of the sum $x_1 + x_2$ is

$$SE(x_1 + x_2) = \sqrt{[SE(x_1)]^2 + [SE(x_2)]^2}$$

For example, the derived estimate for expenditure on household furnishings and household services at the Australian level is \$43.39. The standard error of this derived estimate is

$$\text{Standard Error (household furnishings + household services)} = \sqrt{[\text{Standard Error (household furnishings)}]^2 + [\text{Standard Error (household services)}]^2}$$

$$SE(\$27.69 + \$15.70) = \sqrt{[SE(\$27.69)]^2 + [SE(\$15.70)]^2}$$

From Table A the relative standard error for household furnishings is 2.5% and that for household services is 1.4% which are based on standard errors of \$0.69 and \$0.22 respectively. Therefore the standard error of the combined estimate is

$$\begin{aligned} SE(43.39) &= \sqrt{(0.69)^2 + (0.22)^2} \\ &= \$0.72 \text{ (rounded to the nearest cent)} \end{aligned}$$

The standard error of \$0.72 represents a relative standard error of 1.7%. There are about 2 chances in 3 that the true figure lies in the range \$42.67 to \$44.11 and about 19 chances in 20 that the figure is in the range \$41.95 to \$44.83.

(c) Differences — the standard error of the difference $x_1 - x_2$ is

$$SE(x_1 - x_2) = \sqrt{[SE(x_1)]^2 + [SE(x_2)]^2}$$

For example — Table 13 gives an expenditure on current housing costs for single parent households of \$47.82 and for single person households of \$33.05. Subtraction provides a difference in average weekly household expenditure on this item for single parent households compared to single person households of \$14.77. The standard error on this difference may be calculated as follows:

$$\text{Standard Error (difference in expenditure on current housing costs between single parent households and single persons households)} = \sqrt{[\text{Standard Error (housing costs for single parent households)}]^2 + [\text{Standard Error (housing costs for single person households)}]^2}$$

$$SE(\$47.82 - \$33.05) = \sqrt{[SE(\$47.82)]^2 + [SE(\$33.05)]^2}$$

From Table A the relative standard error for current housing costs at the Australia level is 1.3% and the factor line is E. This results in standard errors of \$2.34, for housing costs for single parent households and \$0.93 for housing costs for single person households.

$$\begin{aligned} SE(\$47.82 - \$33.05) &= \sqrt{(2.34)^2 + (0.93)^2} \\ &= \$2.52. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore there are 2 chances in 3 that the difference is in the range \$12.25 and \$17.29 and 19 chances in 20 that it is in the range \$9.73 and \$19.81. This implies a statistically significant difference between expenditure on current housing costs for single parent households and single person households at the 95% level. If the values of the range had included a zero value (i.e. the dollar values ranged from a positive to a negative or zero amount) then there would not be a statistically significant difference between the two estimates.

(d) Ratios — the relative standard error of the ratio x_1/x_2 is

$$RSE(x_1/x_2) = \sqrt{[RSE(x_1)]^2 + [RSE(x_2)]^2}$$

For example, current housing costs at the Australian level are 12.8% of total expenditure on commodities and services (Table 1). From Table A the relative standard error for housing costs is 1.3% and for total expenditure on commodities and services is 0.8%. Therefore the relative standard error of this proportion is

$$\text{Relative Standard Error (proportion housing is of total expenditure on commodities and services)} = \sqrt{[\text{Relative Standard Error (Housing)}]^2 + [\text{Relative Standard Error (Total expenditure on commodities and services)}]^2}$$

$$\text{RSE}(\$46.46/\$361.84) = \sqrt{(1.3)^2 + (0.8)^2} \\ = 1.53\%$$

Therefore the proportion that Current housing costs are of total expenditure on commodities and services has a relative standard error of 1.53% of the proportion, or a standard error of 0.20%. That is, there are 2 chances in 3 that the proportion is in the range 12.64% to 13.04% and 19 chances in 20 that it is in the range 12.44% to 13.24%.

Comments: The above formulae are derived assuming the correlation between x_1 and x_2 to be zero. The correlation will be near zero if the two estimates are based on independent subgroups of the sample (e.g. different States, quarters, income groups). Two estimates on the same subgroup will be positively correlated if large values of the items are likely to occur together (e.g. 'Recreation' and 'Transport'). If the two estimates are positively correlated then the standard error of their sum will be underestimated but the standard error of their difference or ratio will be overestimated. If their correlation is negative then the standard error of their sum will be overestimated and that of their difference or ratio underestimated.

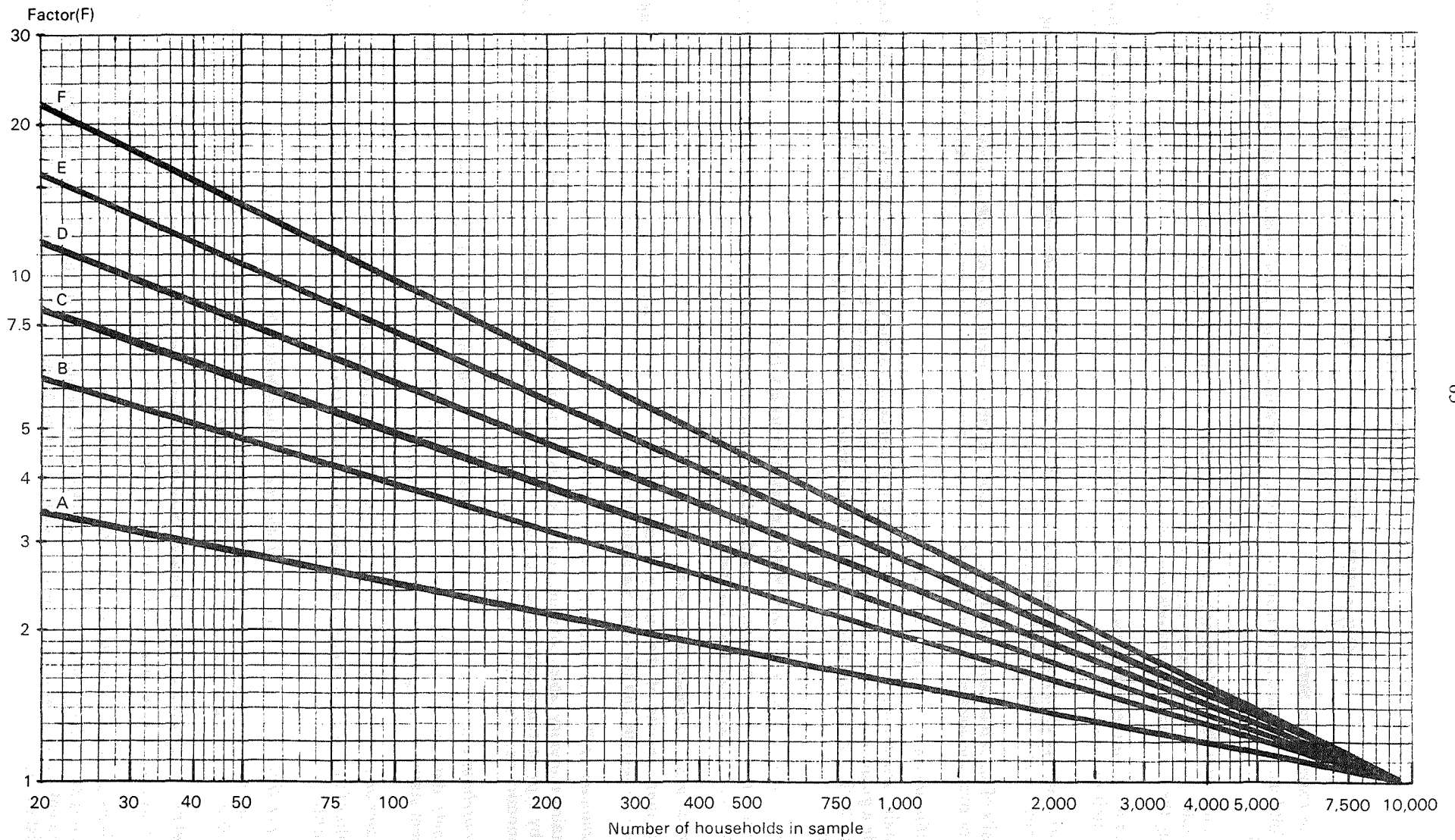
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TABLE A: RELATIVE STANDARD ERRORS (%) OF ESTIMATES AT THE AUSTRALIAN LEVEL AND FACTOR LINES NEEDED TO DERIVE ESTIMATES AT LOWER LEVELS

	Relative Standard Error (%) for Australia	Factor Line		Relative Standard Error (%) for Australia	Factor Line
Broad expenditure group(a)			Proportion of total income being:		
Commodity or service			Wages and salaries	0.8	F
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	1.3	E	Own business	3.3	D
Fuel and power	1.0	E	Government pensions and benefits	2.1	D
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	0.9	D	Other	5.2	E
Alcoholic beverages	1.9	E	Average age of household head	0.5	E
Tobacco	2.0	E			
Clothing and footwear	2.0	E	Average number of persons per household:		
Household furnishings and equipment	2.5	E	Under 18 years	1.8	E
Household services and operation	1.4	D	18 to 64 years	0.8	D
Medical care and health expenses	1.7	D	65 years and over	2.8	F
Transport	1.7	E			
Recreation	1.7	E	Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:		
Personal care	1.8	E	Owned outright	1.5	F
Miscellaneous commodities and services	2.8	D	Being bought	1.7	F
Total commodity or service expenditure	0.8	D	Renting—government	6.5	D
			Renting—private	2.5	F
Selected other payments			Occupied rent-free	7.4	E
Income tax	1.5	D	Average number of employed persons per household(c)	1.1	D
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	3.4	E			
Other capital housing costs	12.0	C	Proportion of households with family composition of household being:		
Superannuation and life insurance	2.0	E	Married couple:		
			—only	2.2	F
			—with dependent children only	2.1	E
			—other	3.2	F
Household characteristics			Single parent one family household only	3.8	F
Average weekly household income(b)	0.9	E	Single person household	2.7	F
			Other(d)	5.5	E
			Estimated number of households being in(e):		
			Capital cities	1.5	E
			Other urban areas	5.1	E
			Rural areas	3.2	E
			Estimated total number in population:		
			Households	1.4	E
			Persons	1.5	E

(a) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 HES Information Paper (6527.0). (b) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (c) See paragraph 16 of the Explanatory Notes. (d) Includes married couple and single parent families living in multiple family households. (e) See paragraphs 17-19 of the Explanatory Notes.

FACTOR F TO USE IN RELATIVE STANDARD ERROR (%) CALCULATIONS



APPENDIX 4

PUBLICATION AND DATA DISSEMINATION PROGRAM

Household Expenditure Survey

To fulfil users' requirements from the survey, a dissemination program consisting of three major components has occurred.

1. A number of ABS publications have been designed to meet the needs of the major proportion of users. The majority of these publications show survey results within the confines of some overall theme, whilst two of them concentrate on explaining the concepts and methods associated with the survey.
2. A *public use unit record tape* was released in November 1986. This 'confidentialised' tape was based on a half sample of survey unit records.
3. Additional special-purpose tabulations may be produced subject to the formal request not being filled within components 1 and 2 of the overall 1984 HES dissemination program.

Details of all publications, including a summary of their content are given below. They may be purchased through the mail or over the counter from offices of the Australian Bureau of Statistics in each capital city.

6527.0 *Information Paper*—released June 1984

Contains a brief overview of the 1984 Household Expenditure Survey to inform users of the nature of the survey and to provide a guide to the factors taken into account in its development. It also contains output data items (developed in close consultation with users) which will be and have been used in presenting preliminary and final estimates arising from the survey.

6528.0 *Preliminary (January to June 1984)*—released February 1985

Preliminary results of the survey, based on the first six months data collected, summarising household expenditure by income and for each State and Territory.

6529.0 *Preliminary*—released June 1985

Preliminary results of the survey, based on the full twelve months data collected, summarising household expenditure by income and for each State and Territory.

6530.0 *Summary of Results*—released February 1986

Contains summary tables covering major aspects of the data collected. Areas covered include detailed expenditure patterns by type of commodity or service, by household size and composition, by sources of income and by other socio-economic characteristics of the household.

6531.0 *Household Characteristics*—released August 1987 (\$1.80, including postage \$2.60)

Presents data on household expenditure by selected household characteristics including size, composition, employment status, housing tenure and source of income.

6533.0 *States and Territories*—released May 1987 (\$1.80, including postage \$2.60)

Results of the survey are presented for each State and Territory. Separate data for expenditure in each capital city are also published.

6534.0 *Expenditure by Principal Sources of Income of Households, Preliminary*—released July 1985

Contains preliminary results of the survey focusing on expenditure patterns, income distributions and household characteristics according to the principal source of income of the household.

6535.0 *Detailed Expenditure Items*—released November 1986 (\$2.40, including postage \$3.30)

Contains expenditure data at the finest level of detail, cross-classified by income and geographic area.

6537.0 *Effects of Government Benefits and Taxes*—released April 1987

Contains data, based on the 1984 Household Expenditure Survey and other sources, relating to the estimated effects of government benefits and taxes on the income of households of differing size and composition, socio-economic characteristics, etc.

6540.0 Concepts and Methods—expected release 1987 (\$3.80, including postage \$5.30)

Contains a detailed description of the concepts, methodology and procedures used in the 1984 Household Expenditure Survey. Included are notes on the survey background, objective, design, collection and processing methodology, response, estimation procedure, sampling reliability and factors influencing the interpretation of results.

6544.0 Sample File on Magnetic Tape—released November 1986

This information paper provides technical and other details of the sample file, conditions of use and how to order it.

Related publications

Users may also wish to refer to the following publications:

Household Expenditure Survey, 1974-75, Bulletins 1-8 (6507.0-6514.0)

Household Expenditure Survey, 1975-76, Bulletins 1-4 (6516.0-6519.0)

Social Indicators No. 4, 1984 (4101.0)

Australian Families, 1982 (4408.0)

Consumer Price Index (6401.0)

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