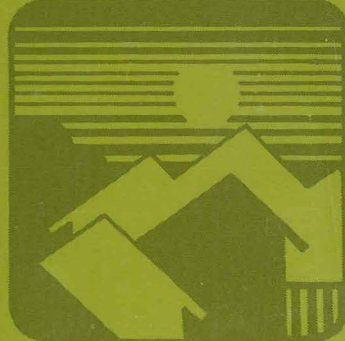
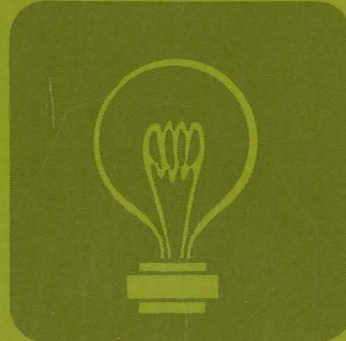
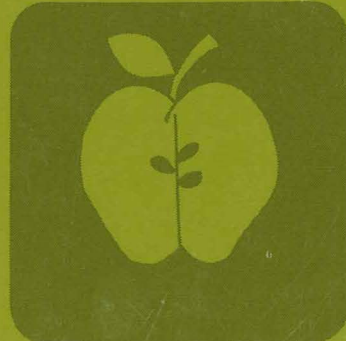
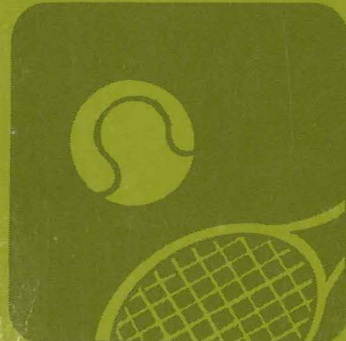
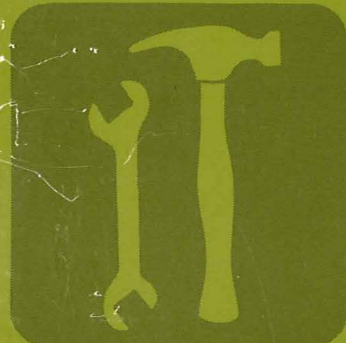
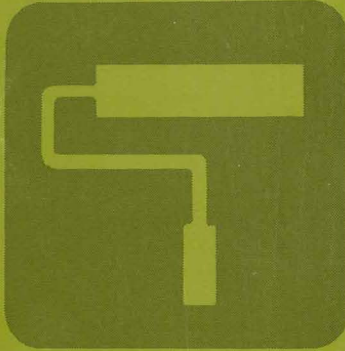
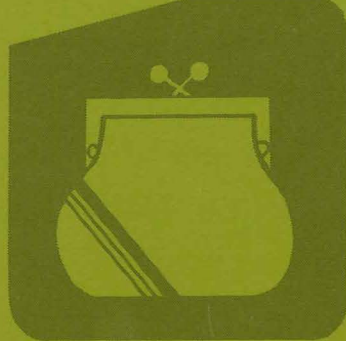
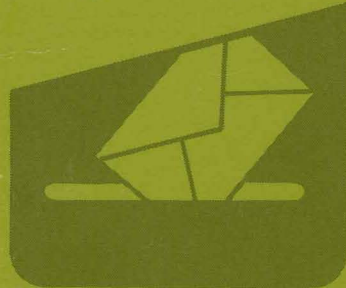


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PREFACE

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 geographic areas. Table 1 presents broad level expenditure groups for each State and Territory and Tables 2-10 show expenditure by household income for each State and Territory and Australia. Tables 11-20 present similar data for capital cities and Tables 21-27 present expenditure items for urban and rural areas in each State. Broad level expenditure by households has been tabulated for smaller geographic regions and these data are available in unpublished form on request.

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 or are proposed to be released on the 1984 HES are shown in Appendix 4, together with information on public use unit record tapes 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.

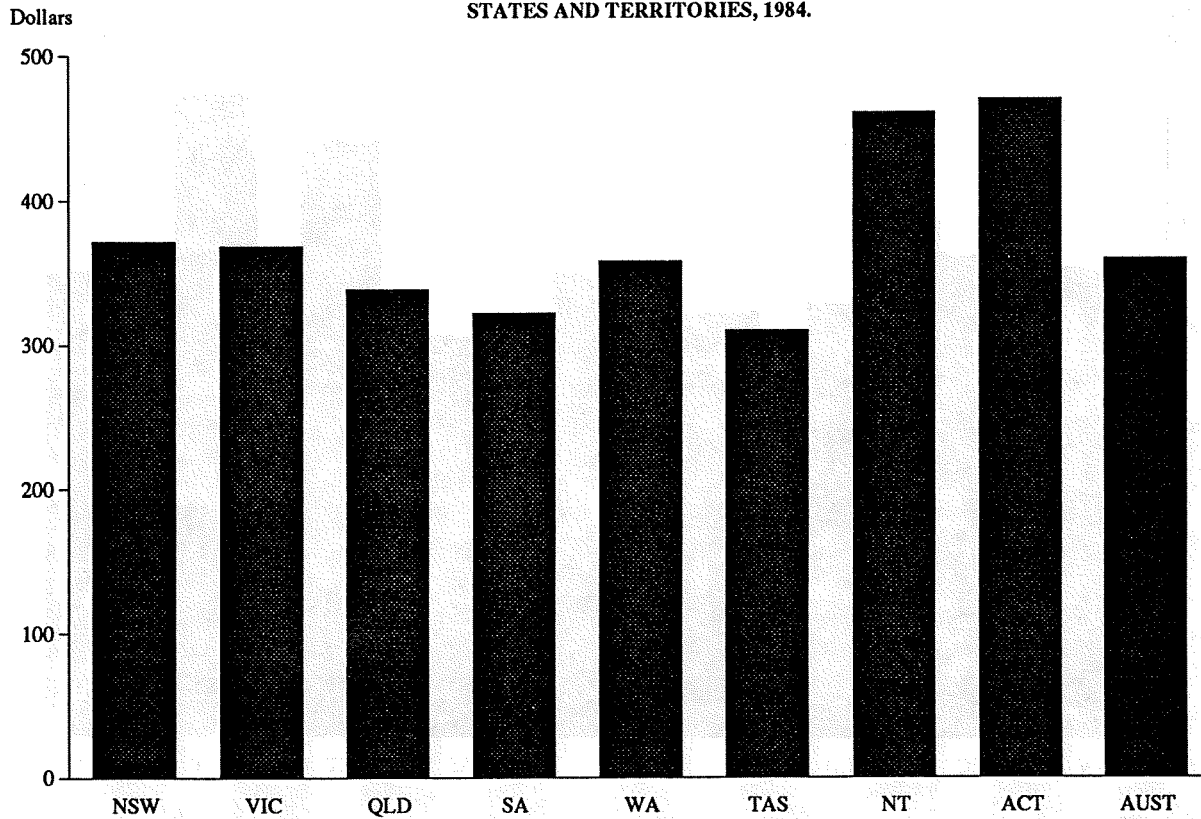
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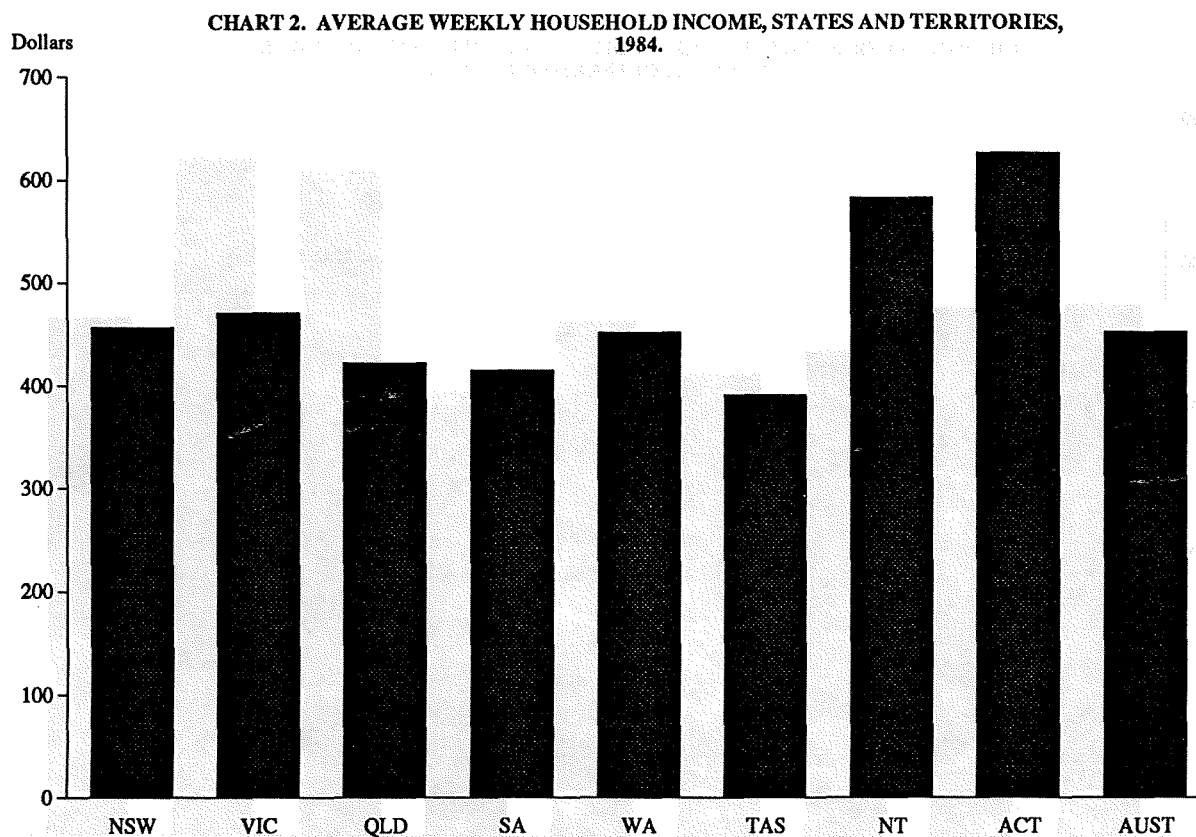
SELECTED FINDINGS**Overall expenditure on commodities and services**

In 1984, average weekly household expenditure on commodities and services in Australia was \$361.84. Household expenditure varied considerably across the States and Territories with the highest weekly expenditure being recorded in the two Territories at \$472.38 for households in the Australian Capital Territory and \$463.46 in the Northern Territory (Chart 1). Households in Tasmania had the lowest average weekly expenditure at \$311.90.

**CHART 1. AVERAGE WEEKLY EXPENDITURE ON COMMODITIES AND SERVICES,
STATES AND TERRITORIES, 1984.**



These differences in household expenditure reflect to some extent the differences in average weekly household income across the States and Territories. Households in the Australian Capital Territory and the Northern Territory had the highest average weekly incomes at \$627.97 and \$583.96 respectively (Chart 2). Households in Tasmania had the lowest average weekly household income at \$392.47. These differences in household income are in turn related to such characteristics as the proportion of household income derived from earnings or government cash benefits, the average number of employed persons per household and the average age of the household head (Table 1).



Expenditure on selected items

Current housing costs

One of the expenditure items that showed considerable variation across States and Territories was 'current housing costs'. This ranged from \$67.42 per week for households in the Northern Territory to \$36.63 for households in South Australia (Chart 3). These differences in 'current housing costs' were related not only to the differing levels of household income noted above but also to the different types of dwelling tenure. For example, 10.4 per cent of households in the Northern Territory and 16.3 per cent of households in the Australian Capital Territory owned their homes outright (Chart 4) while 37.4 per cent of households in South Australia owned their homes outright. The majority of households in the Northern Territory (52.9 per cent) were renting their homes and the Australian Capital Territory had a high proportion of households purchasing their homes (53.0 per cent). The proportions of households in South Australia who were renting or purchasing their homes were 27.5 per cent and 32.6 per cent respectively.

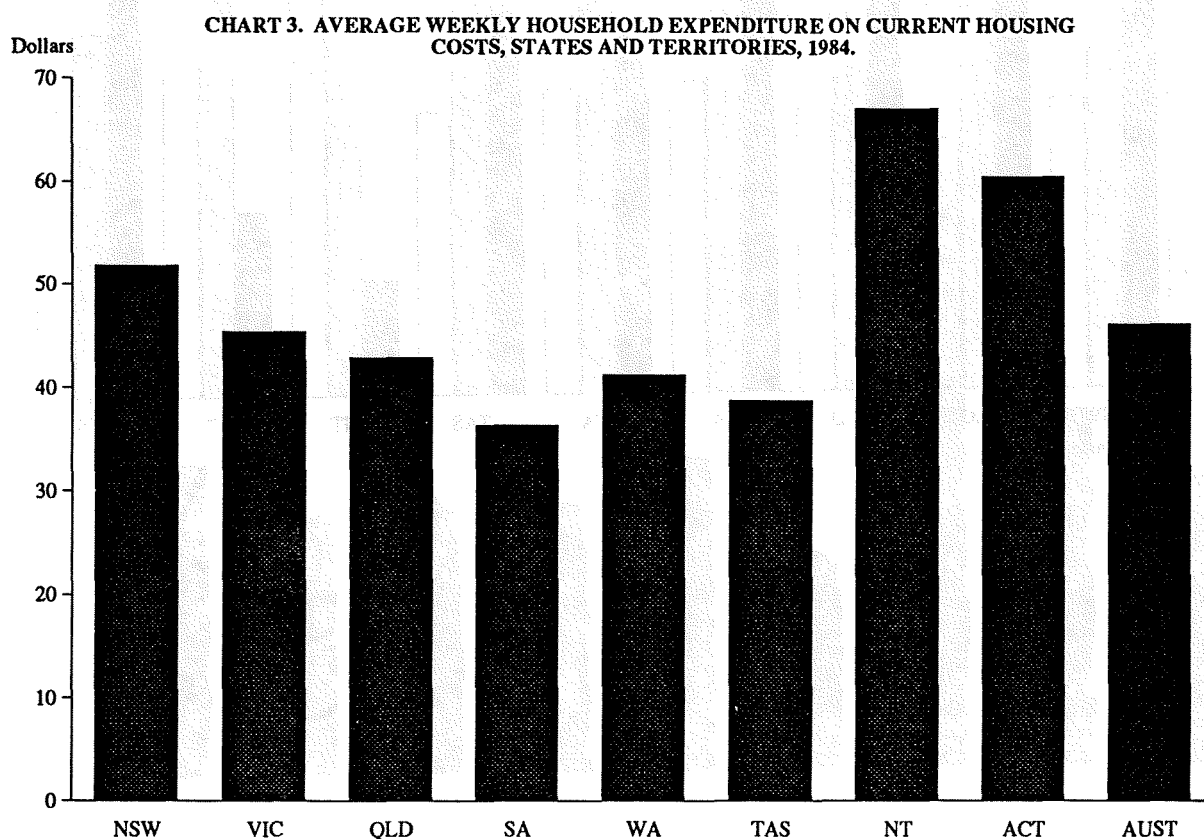
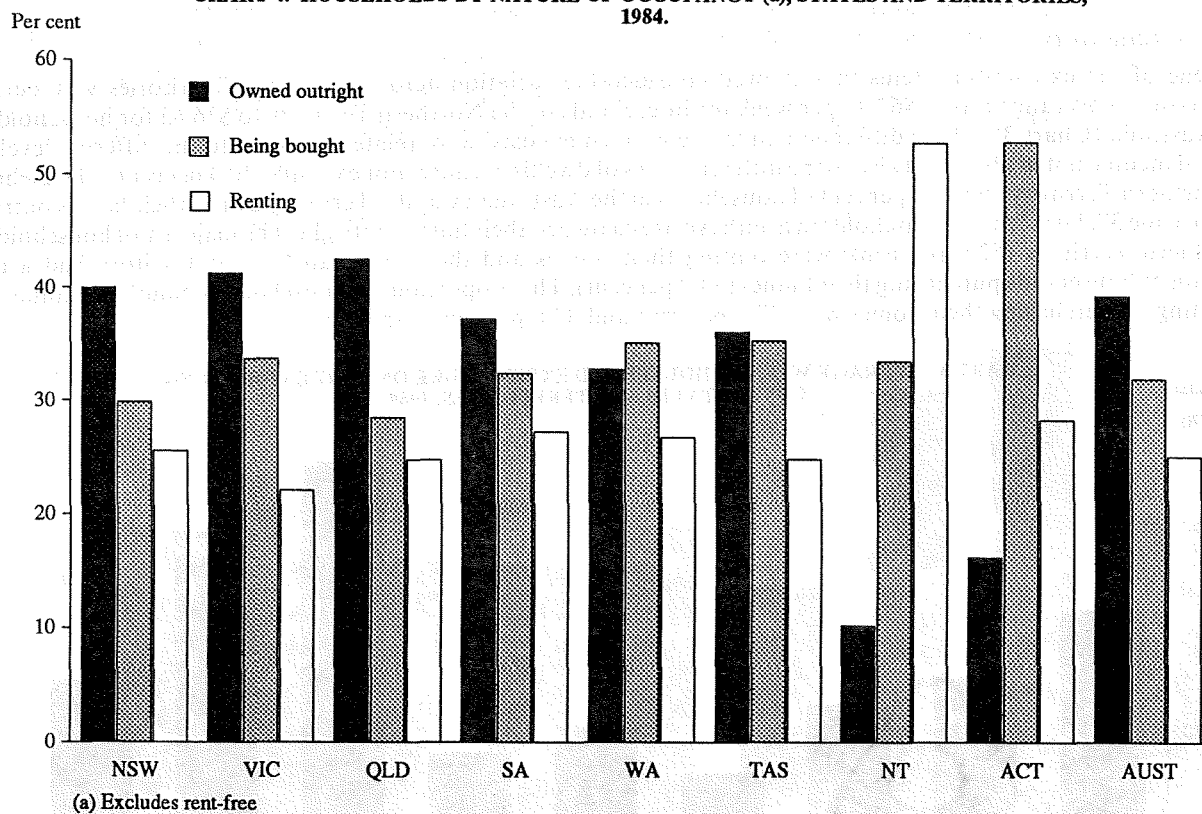
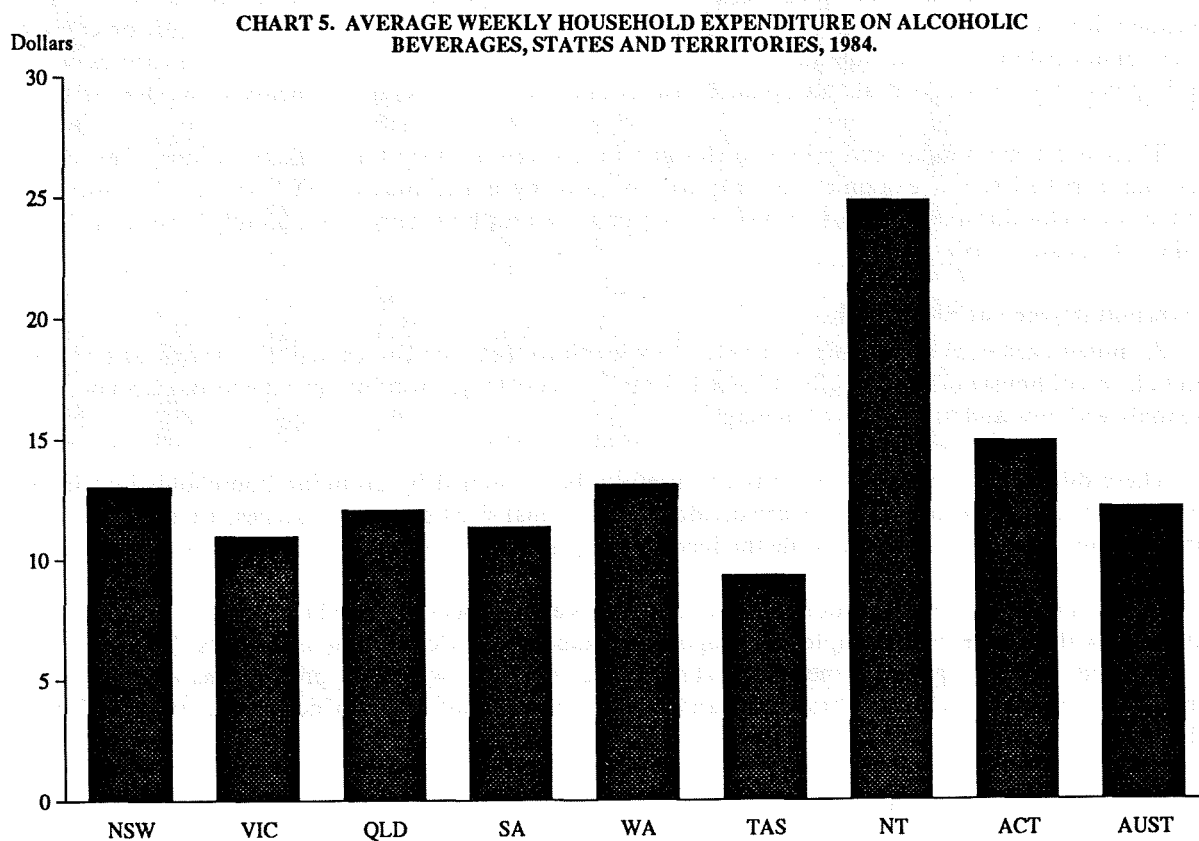


CHART 4. HOUSEHOLDS BY NATURE OF OCCUPANCY (a), STATES AND TERRITORIES, 1984.



Alcohol

Expenditure on alcohol has been under-reported by respondents in the Household Expenditure Survey. The Australian National Accounts estimated that in 1984, approximately \$6,000 million was expended on alcohol consumption, whereas estimates derived from the Household Expenditure Survey were about half that (approximately \$3,000 million). Notwithstanding the problem of under-reporting, the Household Expenditure Survey indicates that expenditure on alcohol varies considerably across States and Territories. Across Australia as a whole, the survey found that average weekly expenditure on alcoholic beverages was \$12.30 (Chart 5). Households in the Northern Territory had the highest expenditure on alcoholic beverages at \$25.04 per week which represented 5.4 per cent of their total expenditure on commodities and services. Expenditure on alcoholic beverages was lowest in Tasmania where households spent an average of \$9.45 per week or 3.0 per cent of their total expenditure on commodities and services on alcohol.



Other selected items

Average weekly household expenditure on other items in the 'broad expenditure group' classification used in the tables in this publication also varied across States and Territories. For example, expenditure on 'fuel and power' ranged from an average of \$13.57 per household in the Australian Capital Territory to \$9.27 in Queensland (Table 1). Households in the Northern Territory spent an average of \$88.24 on 'food and non-alcoholic beverages' compared to \$62.79 in South Australia. Expenditure on 'clothing and footwear' varied considerably with households in the Australian Capital Territory spending an average of \$29.54 per week compared to \$18.80 per household in Queensland and \$17.85 in the Northern Territory.

It must be noted, however, that these variations in expenditure on specific commodities and services mainly reflect variations in total expenditure. This can be seen when the expenditure in each broad group is expressed as a proportion of total expenditure on commodities and services. For example, the proportion of total expenditure on commodities and services committed to 'food and non-alcoholic beverages' varied little across the States and Territories, with the lowest being 18.2 per cent for the Australian Capital Territory and the highest being 20.4 per cent for Queensland (Table 1).

There are some notable exceptions to this general pattern of fairly similar distributions of expenditure across States and Territories. For example, the proportions spent by households in the Northern Territory on 'alcoholic beverages' and 'clothing and footwear' are respectively considerably higher and considerably lower than the proportions for other States and Territories.

The expenditure/income relationship

As noted earlier, the variation in levels of expenditure between States and Territories was partly related to different levels of household income. Within each State and Territory, variations in expenditure also occurred between households with low and high levels of income.

These different expenditure patterns can usefully be examined by grouping households into income deciles. Households in each State and Territory are divided into 10 equal sized groups, or deciles, after they have been ranked according to income. Then for each decile the income range is given and expenditure patterns can be examined.

The proportion of total expenditure on commodities and services allocated to different expenditure items varies significantly with income. For example, the proportions committed to 'current housing costs', 'food and non-alcoholic beverages' and 'fuel and power' generally decline as income rises, while the proportions expended on 'alcoholic beverages', 'clothing and footwear', 'transport' and 'recreation' generally rise with income. Charts 6 and 7 illustrate these trends.

CHART 6. AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE ON CURRENT HOUSING COSTS, FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, AND FUEL AND POWER AS A PROPORTION OF TOTAL EXPENDITURE ON COMMODITIES AND SERVICES, STATES AND TERRITORIES, 1984.

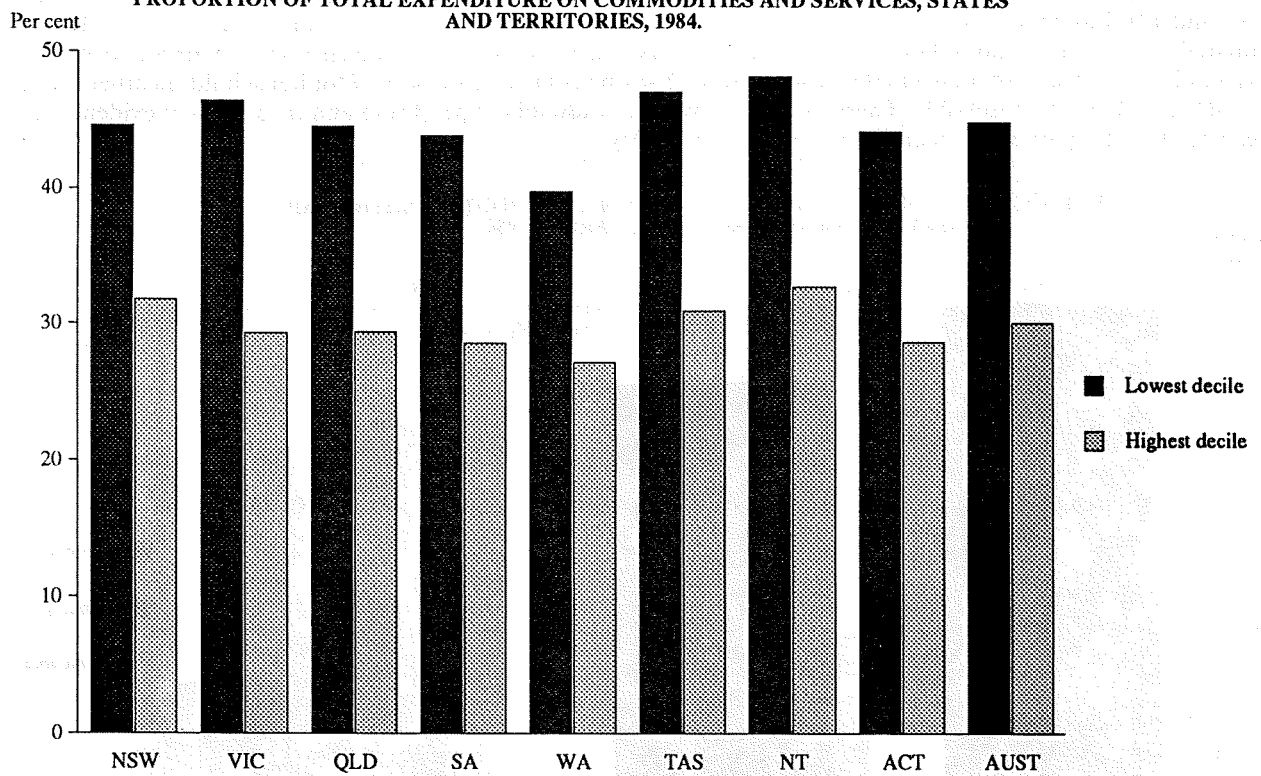
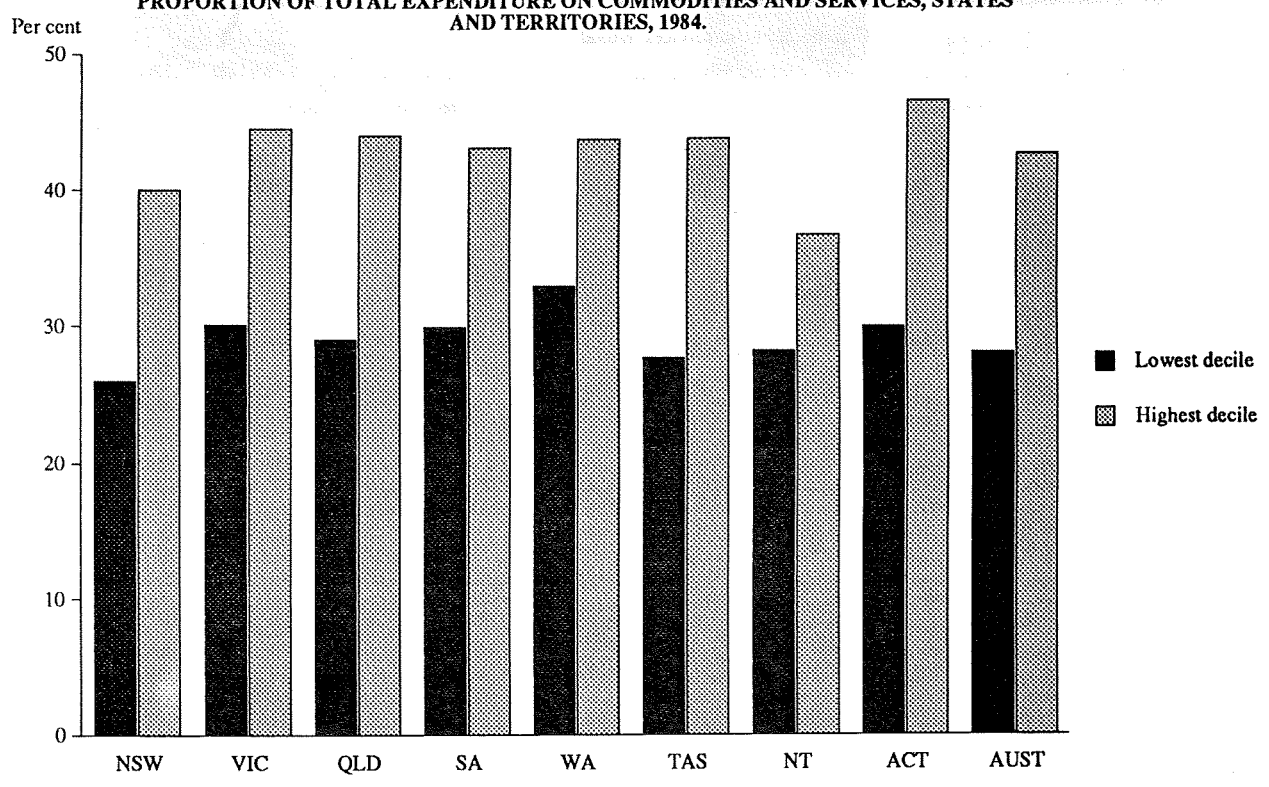


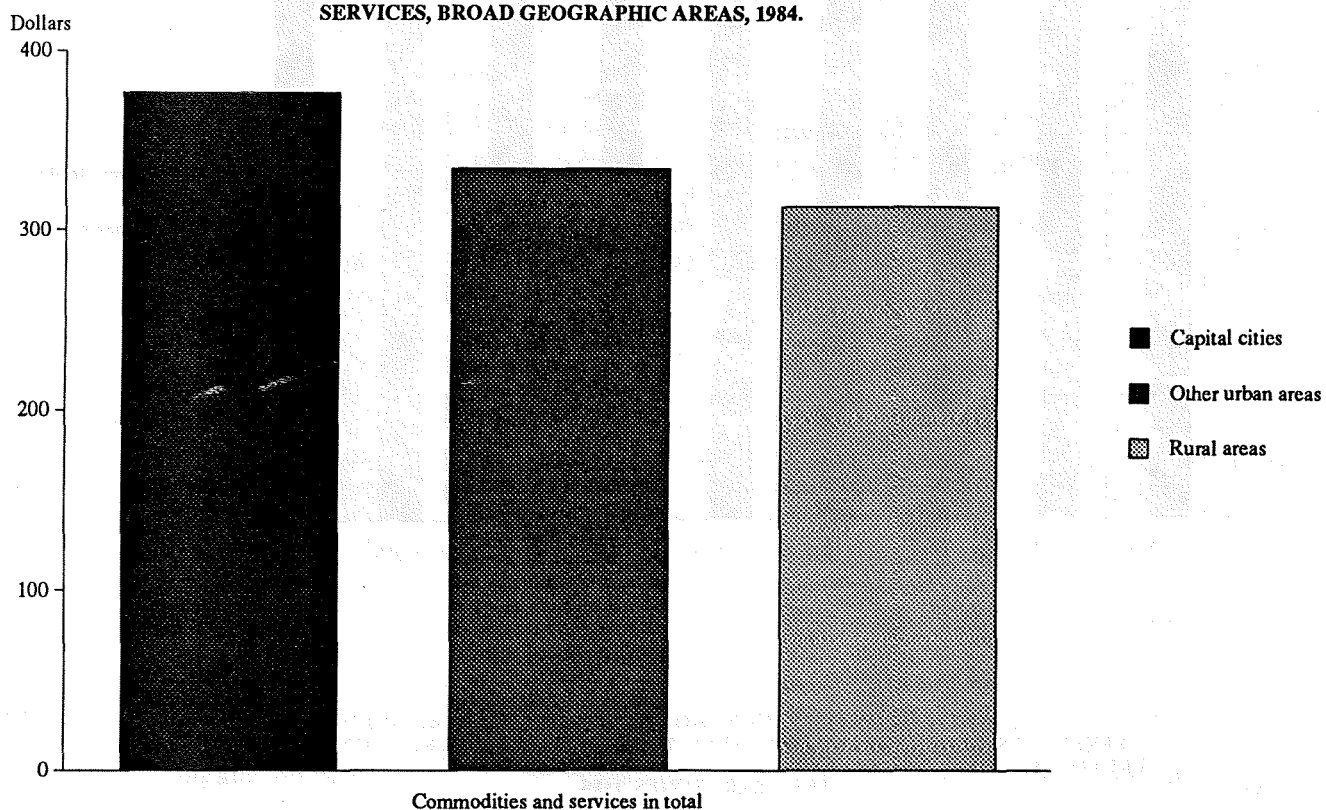
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Capital city/other urban/rural areas

Average weekly household expenditure on commodities and services varied considerably across capital city, other urban and rural areas for Australia as a whole. Households in capital cities spent an average of \$378.38 per week compared to \$336.10 for households in other urban areas and \$314.69 for rural households (Chart 8). Average weekly household income was also higher in the capital cities—\$481.65 compared to \$411.27 for households in other urban areas and \$369.47 for rural households. These different levels of household expenditure and income were evident across the three broad geographic areas in all six States (Tables 21-27).

CHART 8. AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE ON COMMODITIES AND SERVICES, BROAD GEOGRAPHIC AREAS, 1984.

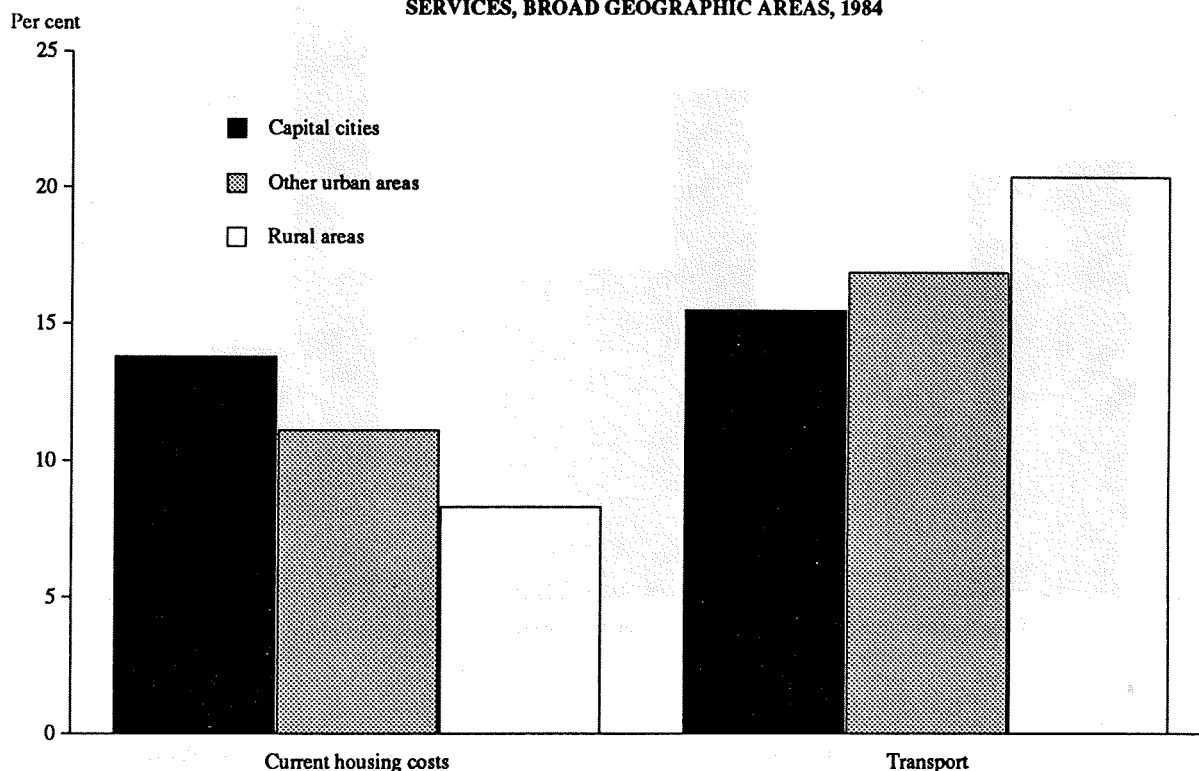


Housing and transport expenditure

Apart from the different *levels* of household expenditure evident across geographic areas, the *pattern* of household expenditure also differed. The two main areas of difference were the proportions of total expenditure on commodities and services that households outlayed on housing and transport.

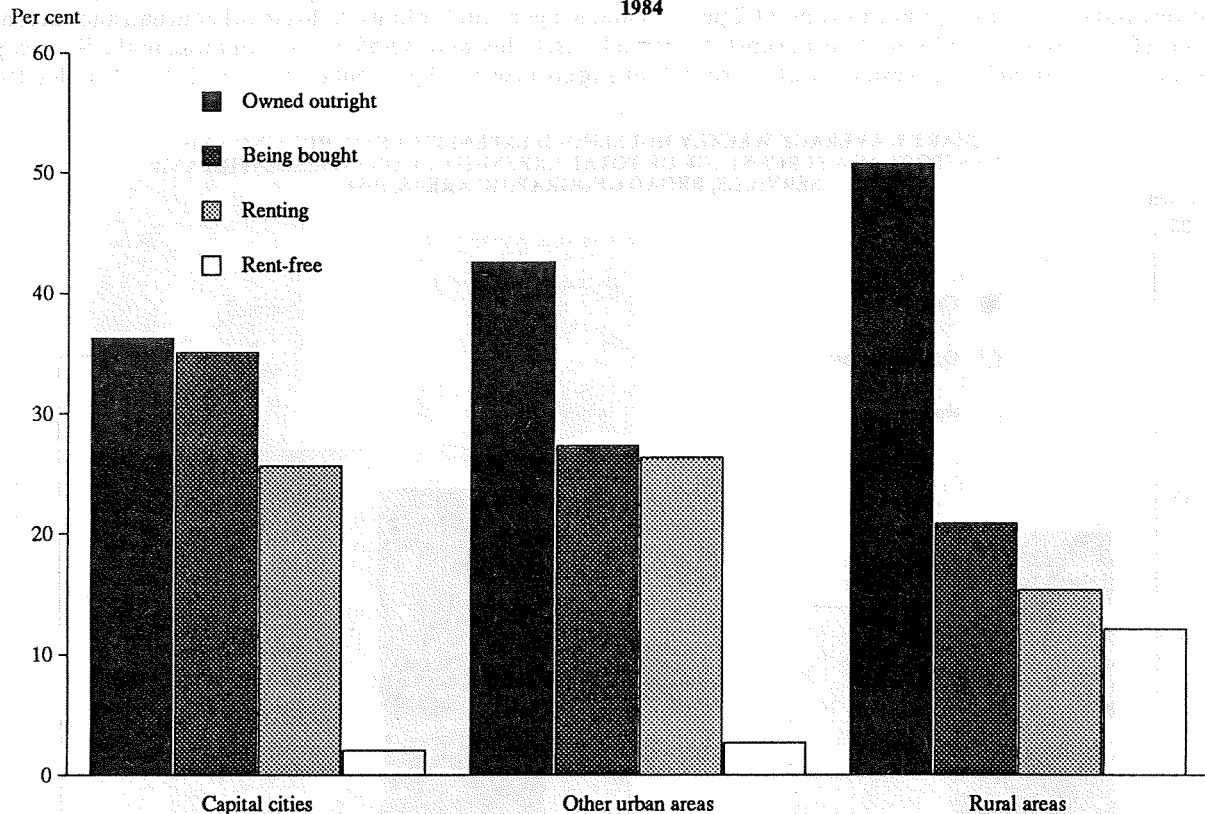
The outlay of households in capital cities averaged \$52.63 per week for 'current housing costs' compared to \$37.66 for households in other urban areas and \$26.36 in rural areas. This represented 13.9 per cent of total expenditure on commodities and services in capital cities and 11.2 per cent and 8.4 per cent for households in other urban and rural areas respectively (Chart 9). In most States housing costs for rural households were 40-55 per cent of those in the State capital city. Housing costs varied less in Tasmania where rural housing costs were 73 per cent of those in Hobart (Tables 21-27).

CHART 9. AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE ON HOUSING AND TRANSPORT AS A PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL EXPENDITURE ON COMMODITIES AND SERVICES, BROAD GEOGRAPHIC AREAS, 1984



As noted earlier, differences in 'current housing costs' are partly related to different types of dwelling tenure. Households in capital cities had a lower level of home ownership than did those in rural areas—36.5 per cent of capital city households owned their dwellings outright compared to 51.0 per cent of rural households (Chart 10). Rural households were also more likely to be occupying rent-free dwellings—12.3 per cent of rural households compared to 2.3 per cent of households in capital cities.

CHART 10. HOUSEHOLDS BY NATURE OF OCCUPANCY, BROAD GEOGRAPHIC AREAS, 1984



One area of expenditure where households in capital cities generally spent less than those in rural areas was in expenditure on transport. In general, outlay on transport in capital cities was lower than that in rural areas, both in terms of dollars spent and as a proportion of total household expenditure on commodities and services. Households in capital cities spent an average of \$59.06 per week on transport compared to \$64.47 per week for households in rural areas. These expenditures on transport represented 15.6 per cent of total expenditure on commodities and services for capital city households and 20.5 per cent for rural households (Chart 9).

1984 HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE SURVEY
TABLE 1: HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY STATES AND TERRITORIES

Broad expenditure group(a)	State or Territory							N.T.†	A.C.T.	Australia
	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	A.C.T.			
	Average weekly household expenditure (\$)(b)									
Commodity or service										
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	52.05	45.70	43.17	36.63	41.50	39.04	67.42	60.78	46.46	
Fuel and power	9.76	12.19	9.27	10.72	10.37	10.91	10.71	13.57	10.56	
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	73.14	73.18	69.32	62.79	69.18	62.80	88.24	86.06	71.22	
Alcoholic beverages	13.13	11.11	12.21	11.49	13.24	9.45	25.04	15.05	12.30	
Tobacco	5.65	6.41	4.63	5.50	6.27	5.56	9.60	4.42	5.73	
Clothing and footwear	26.26	24.21	18.80	20.66	20.72	23.18	17.85	29.54	23.46	
Household furnishings and equipment	28.85	27.67	23.04	29.84	28.54	23.93	37.26	35.62	27.69	
Household services and operation	16.20	15.86	14.92	14.30	15.74	13.16	22.89	20.07	15.70	
Medical care and health expenses	14.07	15.40	13.17	13.64	12.72	11.40	15.33	15.92	14.07	
Transport	57.22	61.92	58.24	54.89	62.47	47.59	68.47	80.93	59.00	
Recreation	42.34	45.89	40.48	36.47	46.50	41.01	60.83	59.78	43.13	
Personal care	6.74	6.89	6.01	6.72	6.24	5.70	7.01	7.87	6.60	
Miscellaneous commodities and services	27.91	23.89	27.33	20.52	26.52	18.17	32.82	42.76	25.93	
Total commodity or service expenditure	373.31	370.31	340.58	324.18	360.01	311.90	463.46	472.38	361.84	
Selected other payments										
Income tax	82.35	85.35	69.32	67.63	81.82	66.06	106.55	131.49	80.07	
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	6.81	6.43	6.43	5.26	7.09	4.82	5.06	7.95	6.49	
Other capital housing costs	24.15	16.70	10.75	9.36	21.44	6.78	*25.82	*24.84	18.01	
Superannuation and life insurance	10.93	12.07	11.14	10.75	11.47	10.53	19.77	23.25	11.51	
	Proportion of total expenditure on commodities and services (%)									
Commodity or service										
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	13.9	12.3	12.7	11.3	11.5	12.5	14.5	12.9	12.8	
Fuel and power	2.6	3.3	2.7	3.3	2.9	3.5	2.3	2.9	2.9	
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	19.6	19.8	20.4	19.4	19.2	20.1	19.0	18.2	19.7	
Alcoholic beverages	3.5	3.0	3.6	3.5	3.7	3.0	5.4	3.2	3.4	
Tobacco	1.5	1.7	1.4	1.7	1.7	1.8	2.1	0.9	1.6	
Clothing and footwear	7.0	6.5	5.5	6.4	5.8	7.4	3.9	6.3	6.5	
Household furnishings and equipment	7.7	7.9	6.8	9.2	7.7	7.7	8.0	7.5	7.7	
Household services and operation	4.3	4.3	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.2	4.9	4.2	4.3	
Medical care and health expenses	3.8	4.2	3.9	4.2	3.5	3.7	3.3	3.4	3.9	
Transport	15.3	16.7	17.1	16.9	17.4	15.3	14.8	17.1	16.3	
Recreation	11.3	12.4	11.9	11.3	12.9	13.1	13.1	12.7	11.9	
Personal care	1.8	1.9	1.8	2.1	1.7	1.8	1.5	1.7	1.8	
Miscellaneous commodities and services	7.5	6.5	8.0	6.3	7.4	5.8	7.1	9.1	7.2	
Total commodity or service expenditure	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	

For footnotes see end of table.

† Darwin and environs and Alice Springs only.

1984 HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE SURVEY
TABLE 1: HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY STATES AND TERRITORIES—continued

Household characteristics	State or Territory							Australia	
	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.†		A.C.T.
<i>Average weekly household income (\$)(c)</i>	458.43	472.22	424.07	417.13	452.87	392.47	583.96	627.97	453.60
Proportion of total income being:									
Wages and salaries	71.6	72.8	69.3	70.0	71.7	65.0	85.1	83.2	71.6
Own business	8.8	7.4	9.9	8.2	8.9	9.7	4.4	4.4	8.5
Government pensions and benefits	11.6	10.1	12.2	13.5	11.0	15.4	4.5	4.6	11.3
Other	8.0	9.7	8.6	8.3	8.4	9.9	5.9	7.8	8.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average age of household head (years)</i>	47.34	47.64	46.95	47.52	45.33	46.79	37.44	41.83	47.05
Average number of persons per household:									
Under 18 years	0.86	0.83	0.95	0.78	0.87	0.93	1.12	1.00	0.86
18 to 64 years	1.69	1.73	1.69	1.66	1.71	1.60	1.88	1.91	1.70
65 years and over	0.28	0.27	0.29	0.29	0.24	0.27	0.04	0.12	0.27
Total	2.82	2.83	2.93	2.73	2.82	2.80	3.03	3.03	2.84
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:									
Owned outright	40.2	41.5	42.7	37.4	33.0	36.3	10.4	16.3	39.4
Being bought	30.1	33.9	28.7	32.6	35.3	35.5	33.7	53.0	32.1
Renting—government	6.0	3.1	3.8	10.5	6.9	8.3	29.0	12.7	5.7
Renting—private	19.8	19.2	21.2	17.0	20.1	16.7	23.9	15.8	19.5
Occupied rent-free	3.9	2.3	3.5	2.5	4.7	3.1	3.0	2.3	3.3
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average number of employed persons in the household (number)(d)</i>	1.18	1.24	1.18	1.16	1.23	1.03	1.50	1.50	1.20
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:									
Married couple:									
— only	23.8	23.2	24.2	24.5	26.0	25.9	15.8	17.8	23.9
— with dependent children only	28.0	30.8	31.8	27.5	28.9	32.2	40.6	38.0	29.7
— other	14.2	13.5	12.9	13.8	13.6	10.1	9.1	12.4	13.5
Single parent one family household only	5.9	4.1	3.9	6.0	4.3	6.5	8.1	6.7	5.0
Single person household	19.7	19.2	18.0	19.8	18.8	18.9	13.5	14.3	19.1
Other(e)	8.5	9.2	9.3	8.5	8.5	6.4	12.8	10.8	8.8
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Estimated number of households being in(f):									
Capital cities	1,121.8	945.3	376.2	342.5	341.1	59.4	20.2	73.4	3,279.9
Other urban areas	516.8	283.2	323.2	68.8	82.0	61.1	5.1	..	1,340.1
Rural areas	128.3	92.1	95.1	50.4	27.8	24.0	0.7	0.9	419.2
<i>Number of households in sample</i>	2,040	1,947	1,504	1,049	1,084	718	587	642	9,571
Estimated total number in the population:									
Households	1,766.9	1,320.6	794.5	461.6	450.9	144.5	26.0	74.3	5,039.2
Persons	4,983.9	3,737.1	2,329.8	1,261.7	1,269.7	404.7	78.8	225.2	14,290.8

(a) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in ABS, *1984 Household Expenditure Survey: Information Paper (6527.0)*. (b) See paragraph 27 of the Explanatory Notes. (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.

† Darwin and environs and Alice Springs only.

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TABLE 2: HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME DECILE GROUP(a), NEW SOUTH WALES

	Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution (\$)										All household holds	
	Lowest 10%	Second decile	Third decile	Fourth decile	Fifth decile	Sixth decile	Seventh decile	Eighth decile	Ninth decile	Highest 10%		
Broad expenditure group(b)												
Commodity or service												
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	29.74	26.82	33.22	45.55	53.08	58.51	59.62	58.84	66.52	88.47	52.05	
Fuel and power	6.00	7.50	8.77	8.46	9.69	9.94	10.48	10.78	10.95	15.03	9.76	
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	32.57	43.27	54.64	63.39	63.74	76.90	80.16	87.35	100.98	128.10	73.14	
Alcoholic beverages	3.56	3.59	7.61	10.99	10.60	12.39	16.66	17.67	20.72	27.49	13.13	
Tobacco	2.34	3.27	4.78	5.72	6.32	6.43	7.34	6.43	5.87	7.92	5.65	
Clothing and footwear	7.18	10.14	15.47	18.19	19.92	23.53	24.48	28.58	53.40	61.66	26.26	
Household furnishings and equipment	9.64	14.41	17.24	25.55	21.10	34.86	32.75	40.78	37.27	54.71	28.85	
Household services and operation	8.74	9.85	12.98	13.99	15.03	15.16	16.27	19.54	21.61	28.76	16.20	
Medical care and health expenses	6.52	6.01	7.92	11.97	14.56	14.63	15.65	17.95	20.26	25.20	14.07	
Transport	14.75	23.28	40.19	47.54	49.83	59.08	62.75	77.62	91.40	105.51	57.22	
Recreation	2.79	14.45	24.11	28.69	32.65	44.88	47.85	51.65	67.70	96.31	42.34	
Personal care	2.79	3.46	3.81	6.44	5.47	5.90	7.53	9.03	9.57	13.33	6.74	
Miscellaneous commodities and services	14.28	7.38	11.21	16.69	21.78	18.55	43.93	36.05	38.55	70.50	27.91	
Total commodity or service expenditure	152.58	173.93	241.95	303.16	323.77	380.75	425.46	462.26	544.79	722.99	373.31	
Selected other payments												
Income tax	5.76	5.26	10.44	38.45	54.80	77.67	103.72	121.20	149.97	255.65	82.35	
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	2.22	1.26	2.35	5.21	5.52	7.08	8.70	9.81	12.32	13.65	6.81	
Other capital housing costs	*24.13	*-0.74	*3.61	*5.95	*30.52	*20.15	*11.94	*39.52	*20.13	*86.35	24.15	
Superannuation and life insurance	0.79	0.28	1.08	4.24	9.46	10.53	15.17	16.44	21.25	30.00	10.93	
Commodity or service												
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	19.5	15.4	13.7	15.0	16.4	15.4	14.0	12.7	12.2	12.2	13.9	
Fuel and power	3.9	4.3	3.6	2.8	3.0	2.6	2.5	2.3	2.0	2.1	2.6	
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	21.3	24.9	22.6	20.9	19.7	20.2	18.8	18.9	18.5	17.7	19.6	
Alcoholic beverages	2.3	2.1	3.1	3.6	3.3	3.3	3.9	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.5	
Tobacco	1.5	1.9	2.0	1.9	2.0	1.7	1.7	1.4	1.1	1.1	1.5	
Clothing and footwear	4.7	5.8	6.4	6.0	6.2	6.2	5.8	6.2	9.8	8.5	7.0	
Household furnishings and equipment	6.3	8.3	7.1	8.4	6.5	9.2	7.7	8.8	6.8	7.6	7.7	
Household services and operation	5.7	5.7	5.4	4.6	4.6	4.0	3.8	4.2	4.0	4.0	4.3	
Medical care and health expenses	4.3	3.5	3.3	3.9	4.5	3.8	3.7	3.9	3.7	3.5	3.8	
Transport	9.7	13.4	16.6	15.7	15.4	15.5	14.7	16.8	16.8	14.6	15.3	
Recreation	9.5	8.6	10.0	11.2	10.1	11.8	11.2	11.2	12.4	13.3	11.3	
Personal care	1.8	2.0	1.6	2.1	1.7	1.6	1.8	2.0	1.8	1.8	1.8	
Miscellaneous commodities and services	9.4	4.2	4.6	5.5	6.7	4.9	10.3	7.8	7.1	9.8	7.5	
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	100.0	

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TABLE 2: HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME DECILE GROUP(a), NEW SOUTH WALES—continued

Household characteristics	Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution (\$)										All household-holds
	Lowest 10%	Second decile	Third decile	Fourth decile	Fifth decile	Sixth decile	Seventh decile	Eighth decile	Ninth decile	Highest 10%	
Average weekly household income \$(d)	83.13	142.58	195.40	275.65	347.39	427.67	528.27	633.59	779.87	1,168.14	458.43
Proportion of total income being:											
Wages and salaries	%	3.8	8.6	53.8	71.9	77.1	82.9	80.4	87.8	76.8	71.6
Own business	%	2.2	4.6	8.5	10.2	8.3	7.1	9.1	3.8	13.8	8.8
Government pensions and benefits	%	86.3	81.0	65.8	22.3	7.7	4.4	3.4	2.6	1.7	11.6
Other	%	9.5	10.6	17.1	13.7	6.9	5.5	7.1	5.8	7.7	8.0
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average age of household head (years)	63.26	56.22	53.02	45.06	43.04	42.59	41.13	42.25	42.18	44.79	47.34
Average number of persons per household:											
Under 18 years	No.	0.17	0.44	0.82	1.10	1.16	1.10	0.97	0.92	1.05	0.86
18 to 64 years	No.	0.60	0.83	1.23	1.59	1.82	2.00	2.06	2.29	2.72	1.69
65 years and over	No.	0.55	0.68	0.64	0.23	0.14	0.07	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.28
Total	No.	1.32	1.96	2.70	2.64	3.12	3.17	3.14	3.31	3.86	2.82
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:											
Owned outright	%	63.5	58.6	52.3	35.7	31.2	29.0	34.4	27.9	36.7	40.2
Being bought	%	3.5	6.3	13.1	25.4	31.9	45.0	44.9	49.5	45.6	30.1
Renting—government	%	*11.8	11.1	*10.4	*5.3	*7.0	3.7	*2.6	*2.8	*1.0	6.0
Renting—private	%	15.8	18.9	20.5	29.1	25.3	19.6	15.1	15.9	14.8	19.8
Occupied rent-free	%	*5.4	*5.2	*3.6	*4.5	*4.6	*2.7	*3.0	*4.0	*2.0	3.9
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average number of employed persons in household (number)(e)	0.23	0.15	0.36	0.85	1.11	1.29	1.59	1.78	2.04	2.42	1.18
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:											
Married couple:											
— only	%	7.4	42.6	41.7	23.9	17.5	21.6	25.0	27.9	14.2	23.8
— with dependent children only	%	6.7	4.4	24.0	24.6	40.1	41.1	36.5	25.5	34.5	28.0
— other	%	0.5	1.9	3.2	9.6	9.5	16.6	21.1	31.5	14.2	14.2
Single parent one family household only	%	1.6	20.3	13.6	6.3	5.1	2.6	2.0	1.7	1.3	5.9
Single person household	%	83.6	29.5	5.1	26.1	19.0	10.3	6.4	2.2	1.5	19.7
Other(f)	%	*0.3	*1.4	*12.4	*9.6	*8.9	*7.8	*9.0	*11.1	*13.5	8.5
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Estimated number of households being in(g):											
Capital city	('000)	99.7	103.6	95.9	98.6	99.4	116.2	122.1	134.9	140.5	1,121.8
Other urban areas	('000)	54.9	59.3	65.8	56.6	59.9	48.9	46.2	36.4	30.3	516.8
Rural areas	('000)	20.4	14.7	15.4	21.3	17.4	12.6	7.7	4.9	6.4	128.3
Number of households in sample		206	210	203	207	207	210	200	197	196	2,040
Estimated total number in population:											
Households	('000)	175.0	177.5	177.0	176.5	176.7	177.7	176.1	176.2	177.2	1,766.9
Persons	('000)	230.7	347.1	477.1	465.1	527.9	562.8	553.6	582.8	684.7	4,983.9

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TABLE 3: HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME DECILE GROUP(a), VICTORIA

Broad expenditure group(b)	Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution (\$)											All house- holds
	0- 120	121- 178	179- 256	257- 330	331- 409	410- 499	500- 589	590- 692	693- 866	867 and over		
	Lowest 10%	Second decile	Third decile	Fourth decile	Fifth decile	Sixth decile	Seventh decile	Eighth decile	Ninth decile	Highest 10%		
	Average weekly household expenditure \$(c)											
Commodity or service	22.17	32.89	28.51	41.84	46.42	56.99	52.08	57.82	56.63	61.53	45.70	
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	7.08	9.58	11.08	10.44	11.88	13.17	13.29	12.70	15.46	17.24	12.19	
Fuel and power	29.97	47.79	53.28	65.22	69.70	74.81	83.25	86.32	99.78	121.57	73.18	
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	2.83	4.92	6.41	9.80	9.71	9.78	13.33	14.41	15.66	24.23	11.11	
Alcoholic beverages	2.98	5.16	6.67	6.96	6.11	7.16	6.78	7.27	8.88	6.19	6.41	
Tobacco	7.03	14.40	13.73	18.54	20.36	20.36	27.46	31.81	37.63	50.67	24.21	
Clothing and footwear	6.72	15.10	19.11	21.46	22.65	29.67	34.56	29.54	45.46	52.53	27.67	
Household furnishings and equipment	8.06	12.42	12.94	12.56	14.58	16.74	16.12	17.88	20.78	26.45	15.86	
Household services and operation	4.56	7.47	10.17	12.97	14.98	16.72	17.77	18.77	25.52	25.14	15.40	
Medical care and health expenses	15.51	23.75	33.60	52.41	51.16	62.16	73.16	79.26	103.62	124.66	61.92	
Transport	13.12	23.39	28.76	29.71	34.07	46.61	55.16	61.07	62.45	104.33	45.89	
Recreation	2.92	4.72	4.35	5.19	4.95	6.89	6.77	9.08	9.75	14.21	6.89	
Personal care	4.14	16.52	11.02	16.74	23.79	22.03	27.45	29.19	36.59	51.21	23.89	
Miscellaneous commodities and services	127.10	218.12	239.62	303.84	330.34	383.10	427.18	455.10	538.21	679.96	370.31	
Total commodity or service expenditure	7.05	8.09	18.28	41.99	62.62	89.26	101.68	116.71	141.75	265.50	85.35	
Selected other payments	0.26	2.21	2.70	4.25	7.78	7.29	9.85	6.49	9.73	13.70	6.43	
Income tax	*3.41	*18.29	*8.40	*11.99	*2.20	*16.89	*41.14	*3.39	*34.61	*26.85	16.70	
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	0.68	1.33	2.38	6.36	10.08	13.65	15.14	18.26	21.49	31.23	12.07	
Other capital housing costs												
Superannuation and life insurance												
	Proportion of total expenditure on commodities and services (%)											
Commodity or service	17.4	15.1	11.9	13.8	14.1	14.9	12.2	12.7	10.5	9.0	12.3	
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	5.6	4.4	4.6	3.4	3.6	3.4	3.1	2.8	2.9	2.5	3.3	
Fuel and power	23.6	21.9	22.2	21.5	21.1	19.5	19.5	19.0	18.5	17.9	19.8	
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	2.2	2.3	2.7	3.2	2.9	2.6	3.1	3.2	2.9	3.6	3.0	
Alcoholic beverages	2.3	2.4	2.8	2.3	1.8	1.9	1.6	1.6	1.6	0.9	1.7	
Tobacco	5.5	6.6	5.7	6.1	6.2	5.3	6.4	7.0	7.0	7.5	6.5	
Clothing and footwear	5.3	6.9	8.0	7.1	6.9	7.7	8.1	6.5	8.4	7.7	7.5	
Household furnishings and equipment	6.3	5.7	5.4	4.1	4.4	4.4	3.8	3.9	3.9	3.9	4.3	
Household services and operation	3.6	3.4	4.2	4.3	4.5	4.4	4.7	4.1	4.7	3.7	4.2	
Medical care and health expenses	12.2	10.9	14.0	17.2	15.5	16.2	17.1	17.4	19.3	18.3	16.7	
Transport	10.3	10.7	12.0	9.8	10.3	12.2	12.9	13.4	11.6	15.3	12.4	
Recreation	2.3	2.2	1.8	1.7	1.5	1.8	1.6	2.0	1.8	2.1	1.9	
Personal care	3.3	7.6	4.6	5.5	7.2	5.7	6.4	6.4	6.8	7.5	6.5	
Miscellaneous commodities and services	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	
Total commodity or service expenditure												

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1984 HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE SURVEY
 TABLE 3: HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME DECILE GROUP(a), VICTORIA—continued

Household characteristics	Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution (\$)										All household holds
	Lowest 10%	Second decile	Third decile	Fourth decile	Fifth decile	Sixth decile	Seventh decile	Eighth decile	Ninth decile	Highest 10%	
Average weekly household income \$(d)	90.20	154.47	212.20	295.75	367.79	456.03	537.45	638.90	773.46	1,194.22	472.22
Proportion of total income being:											
Wages and salaries	2.6	2.7	18.2	63.6	76.9	79.5	81.4	84.1	83.7	78.3	72.8
Own business	2.9	6.9	10.7	10.3	8.2	4.8	6.5	3.8	5.2	11.1	7.4
Government pensions and benefits	83.3	76.7	49.5	14.4	6.4	7.2	4.1	3.5	2.4	1.3	10.1
Other	*11.2	13.6	21.6	*11.7	*8.5	8.5	8.0	*8.7	8.8	9.2	9.7
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average age of household head (years)	63.54	59.29	55.04	44.38	41.41	41.76	41.14	43.43	42.74	43.60	47.64
Average number of persons per household:											
Under 18 years	No.	0.35	0.69	1.02	1.08	1.00	1.09	0.92	0.98	1.03	0.83
18 to 64 years	No.	0.49	0.93	1.20	1.72	2.00	2.00	2.07	2.29	2.81	1.73
65 years and over	No.	0.60	0.79	0.62	0.15	0.11	0.07	0.16	0.11	0.04	0.27
Total	No.	1.21	2.07	2.51	2.89	3.10	3.16	3.15	3.38	3.88	2.83
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:											
Owned outright	%	61.7	55.6	57.3	34.8	27.2	29.1	36.1	37.8	39.8	41.5
Being bought	%	6.1	18.5	18.1	34.3	40.5	45.4	41.9	49.2	42.9	33.9
Renting—government	%	*7.0	*6.6	*3.3	*3.3	*3.5	*2.6	*1.5	*1.5	*0.0	3.1
Renting—private	%	20.1	17.8	16.3	26.1	25.7	21.4	19.7	10.5	15.2	19.2
Occupied rent-free	%	*5.1	*1.4	*3.7	*1.4	*3.1	*3.2	*0.8	*1.1	*2.1	2.3
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average number of employed persons in household (number)(e)	0.15	0.23	0.52	0.99	1.17	1.36	1.60	1.75	2.10	2.54	1.24
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:											
Married couple:											
— only	%	3.5	51.7	37.1	19.3	16.3	20.1	25.3	23.8	14.9	23.2
— with dependent children only	%	4.5	10.1	21.8	41.7	47.3	41.1	37.4	31.1	29.9	30.8
— other	%	0.0	2.7	5.3	7.0	6.1	15.8	16.0	31.0	39.9	13.5
Single parent one family household only	%	2.1	10.8	8.1	3.7	3.3	2.8	3.4	2.8	1.0	4.1
Single person household	%	88.5	19.1	18.1	21.8	18.4	9.6	4.7	2.0	1.5	19.2
Other(f)	%	*1.5	*5.6	*9.7	*6.6	*8.6	*14.0	*13.2	*9.2	*12.8	9.2
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Estimated number of households being in(g):											
Capital city	('000)	91.4	91.0	79.7	84.0	99.9	92.2	107.5	96.5	104.1	945.3
Other urban areas	('000)	31.6	33.7	31.7	32.5	27.8	30.3	21.5	25.9	22.9	283.2
Rural areas	('000)	8.8	9.1	19.3	14.8	5.2	9.2	4.2	8.3	5.7	92.1
Number of households in sample		193	196	197	190	191	197	194	196	197	1,947
Estimated total number in population:											
Households	('000)	131.7	133.8	130.7	131.3	132.9	131.7	133.3	130.8	132.7	1,320.6
Persons	('000)	159.0	277.4	328.3	379.6	391.6	408.0	419.8	442.4	515.0	3,737.1

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TABLE 4: HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME DECILE GROUP(a), QUEENSLAND

Broad expenditure group(b)	Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution (\$)										All household holds
	0-110 Lowest 10%	111-166 Second decile	167-217 Third decile	218-291 Fourth decile	292-366 Fifth decile	367-442 Sixth decile	443-534 Seventh decile	535-634 Eighth decile	635-789 Ninth decile	790 and over Highest 10%	
	Average weekly household expenditure \$(c)										
Commodity or service											
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	20.58	29.18	22.78	45.05	44.66	47.18	53.50	50.95	60.07	57.89	43.17
Fuel and power	6.26	7.48	7.84	8.84	9.06	9.30	10.18	10.88	10.80	12.06	9.27
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	42.98	48.87	58.85	54.02	62.62	66.60	78.38	81.46	86.46	112.86	69.32
Alcoholic beverages	3.97	5.73	3.99	6.33	9.86	14.43	16.58	17.52	18.04	25.61	12.21
Tobacco	1.92	2.77	3.01	4.07	4.35	5.83	5.74	5.74	6.19	6.89	4.63
Clothing and footwear	5.60	8.47	10.41	9.57	15.98	15.72	19.94	24.66	30.08	47.46	18.80
Household furnishings and equipment	9.94	13.03	17.23	11.03	19.52	22.59	28.64	27.38	42.07	38.86	23.04
Household services and operation	9.03	11.61	10.78	12.85	13.97	14.42	16.47	15.96	20.85	23.27	14.92
Medical care and health expenses	7.03	8.27	9.25	12.62	10.88	14.73	14.43	14.56	18.75	21.18	13.17
Transport	17.76	27.82	37.26	42.61	50.18	58.02	64.82	83.16	75.80	124.78	58.24
Recreation	18.14	19.03	24.62	27.73	35.43	44.13	43.19	56.52	60.98	74.92	40.48
Personal care	2.09	4.03	3.35	3.87	4.75	6.67	7.66	7.44	9.58	10.61	6.01
Miscellaneous commodities and services	10.47	11.21	12.39	16.83	24.25	33.56	25.61	33.80	44.35	60.68	27.33
Total commodity or service expenditure	155.78	197.52	221.75	255.41	305.50	353.19	384.90	430.01	484.01	617.07	340.58
Selected other payments											
Income tax	6.31	7.40	10.47	31.62	48.94	64.01	80.82	103.45	126.35	213.46	69.32
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	4.32	1.95	1.87	3.84	6.28	8.09	7.29	7.53	12.64	10.55	6.43
Other capital housing costs	*	*	*	*	*11.79	*4.23	*1.90	*	*20.65	*15.20	10.75
Superannuation and life insurance	1.75	1.39	2.27	5.06	7.35	12.01	13.28	18.01	21.15	29.10	11.14
	Proportion of total expenditure on commodities and services (%)										
Commodity or service											
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	13.2	14.8	10.3	17.6	14.6	13.4	13.9	11.8	12.4	9.4	12.7
Fuel and power	4.0	3.8	3.5	3.5	3.0	2.6	2.6	2.5	2.2	2.0	2.7
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	27.6	24.7	26.5	21.2	20.5	18.9	20.4	18.9	17.9	18.3	20.4
Alcoholic beverages	2.5	2.9	1.8	2.5	3.2	4.1	4.3	4.1	3.7	4.2	3.6
Tobacco	1.2	1.7	1.4	1.6	1.4	1.1	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.4	3.6
Clothing and footwear	3.6	4.3	4.7	3.7	5.2	4.4	5.2	5.7	6.2	7.7	5.5
Household furnishings and equipment	6.4	6.6	7.8	4.3	6.4	6.4	7.4	6.4	8.7	6.3	6.8
Household services and operation	5.8	5.9	4.9	5.0	4.6	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3	3.8	4.4
Medical care and health expenses	4.5	4.2	4.2	4.9	3.6	4.2	3.7	3.4	3.9	3.4	3.9
Transport	11.4	14.1	16.8	16.7	16.4	16.4	16.8	19.3	15.7	20.2	17.1
Recreation	11.6	9.6	11.1	10.9	11.6	12.5	11.2	13.1	12.6	12.1	11.9
Personal care	1.3	2.0	1.5	1.5	1.6	1.9	2.0	1.7	2.0	1.7	1.8
Miscellaneous commodities and services	6.7	5.7	5.6	6.6	7.9	9.5	6.7	7.9	9.2	9.8	8.0
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	100.0

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1984 HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE SURVEY
 1984 HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME DECILE GROUP(s), QUEENSLAND—continued

Household characteristics	Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution (\$)										All house- holds
	Lowest 10%	Second decile	Third decile	Fourth decile	Fifth decile	Sixth decile	Seventh decile	Eighth decile	Ninth decile	Highest 10%	
Average weekly household income \$(d)	77.88	144.08	188.38	257.87	328.69	402.46	483.42	583.42	701.93	1,068.73	424.07
Proportion of total income being:											
Wages and salaries	0.8	5.3	10.4	48.7	76.8	73.0	77.6	84.8	82.9	73.3	69.3
Own business	3.4	7.1	8.5	8.0	4.5	9.3	9.7	5.3	10.0	15.9	9.9
Government pensions and benefits	85.1	75.2	62.4	28.0	9.3	5.7	4.5	2.3	2.5	2.3	12.2
Other	*10.7	*12.3	*18.7	*15.3	*9.4	*12.0	*6.5	*5.4	*4.6	*8.4	8.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average age of household head (years)	60.69	58.27	56.37	47.60	40.33	41.76	41.22	39.78	39.76	43.65	46.95
Average number of persons per household:											
Under 18 years	No.	0.46	0.65	1.05	1.21	1.19	1.14	1.36	1.08	1.13	0.95
18 to 64 years	No.	0.63	0.95	1.14	1.62	1.79	1.96	2.12	2.24	2.74	1.69
65 years and over	No.	0.57	0.74	0.74	0.23	0.12	0.15	0.07	0.04	0.03	0.29
Total	No.	1.48	2.16	2.53	2.90	3.11	3.25	3.55	3.35	3.91	2.93
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:											
Owned outright	%	63.4	66.6	60.5	29.2	37.4	33.0	31.5	34.0	30.1	42.7
Being bought	%	12.4	10.3	11.4	24.1	34.6	35.0	33.3	41.0	48.7	28.7
Renting—government	%	*2.7	*3.1	*3.8	*6.0	*4.3	*2.6	*5.5	*0.8	*1.0	3.9
Renting—private	%	12.4	20.8	13.1	25.1	20.2	26.0	28.0	23.1	18.9	21.2
Occupied rent-free	%	*11.8	*2.6	*5.1	*	*1.6	*3.4	*1.8	*1.0	*1.2	3.5
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average number of employed persons in household (number)(e)	0.25	0.33	0.42	0.76	1.14	1.29	1.43	1.77	1.99	2.40	1.18
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:											
Married couple:											
— only	%	7.8	45.8	44.6	24.9	19.2	21.2	17.6	24.6	17.6	24.2
— with dependent children only	%	13.4	10.2	23.9	32.9	43.7	42.9	46.8	34.9	26.8	31.8
— other	%	0.5	3.9	4.3	9.3	8.6	13.3	21.4	19.7	37.9	12.9
Single parent one family household only	%	*0.0	*11.2	*6.3	*5.7	4.0	2.3	*1.6	1.8	1.6	3.9
Single person household	%	77.6	21.4	12.0	20.8	19.1	4.7	4.8	2.3	2.6	18.0
Other(f)	%	*0.7	*7.5	*8.9	*6.4	*5.4	*15.6	*7.8	*16.5	*13.4	9.3
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Estimated number of households being in(g):											
Capital city	('000)	35.5	31.9	33.9	30.0	45.1	42.2	40.5	38.1	41.9	376.3
Other urban areas	('000)	*34.2	*32.6	*35.8	*38.3	*22.8	*27.9	*31.8	*34.0	*30.9	323.2
Rural areas	('000)	10.0	14.6	10.4	10.9	11.4	9.0	7.0	7.4	7.0	95.1
Number of households in sample		145	142	145	136	158	155	151	157	160	1,504
Estimated total number in population:											
Households	('000)	79.7	79.1	80.1	79.1	79.3	79.1	79.3	79.5	79.8	794.5
Persons	('000)	117.9	170.8	202.6	229.7	244.2	257.4	281.7	266.7	311.7	2,329.8

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1984 HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE SURVEY
TABLE 5: HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME DECILE GROUP(a), SOUTH AUSTRALIA

	Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution (\$)										All household-holds
	0-108 Lowest 10%	109-158 Second decile	159-208 Third decile	209-291 Fourth decile	292-358 Fifth decile	359-430 Sixth decile	431-509 Seventh decile	510-616 Eighth decile	617-801 Ninth decile	802 and over Highest 10%	
Average weekly household expenditure \$(c)											
Broad expenditure group(b)											
Commodity or service											
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	19.03	19.54	25.01	34.39	36.07	39.51	48.60	49.27	48.73	36.63	
Fuel and power	5.84	8.22	8.16	9.14	9.99	13.90	11.44	12.37	17.16	10.72	
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	28.41	39.30	45.31	53.85	58.68	64.66	72.96	84.52	105.97	62.79	
Alcoholic beverages	4.17	3.43	6.06	8.06	7.85	9.80	15.23	21.04	25.91	11.49	
Tobacco	2.37	3.41	4.13	6.26	6.22	5.98	7.00	6.09	6.58	5.50	
Clothing and footwear	9.10	9.08	12.79	17.34	20.51	19.85	24.27	22.28	42.33	20.66	
Household furnishings and equipment	6.32	9.80	14.07	20.41	25.09	35.06	31.50	55.65	57.31	29.84	
Household services and operation	7.91	9.93	10.26	14.71	13.00	15.02	15.11	17.70	24.48	14.30	
Medical care and health expenses	6.37	5.76	11.13	14.33	15.76	15.76	14.05	17.70	24.94	13.64	
Transport	8.88	22.34	33.04	48.47	57.25	58.68	58.10	76.99	116.63	54.89	
Recreation	14.18	19.13	17.62	28.56	31.15	30.34	38.52	62.03	72.97	36.47	
Personal care	2.19	3.59	5.42	5.96	7.64	6.52	7.43	7.28	13.40	6.72	
Miscellaneous commodities and services	6.05	7.20	10.54	17.21	22.90	14.02	24.95	36.84	39.44	20.52	
Total commodity or service expenditure	120.82	160.72	200.27	275.47	310.66	329.10	369.16	478.81	595.86	324.18	
Selected other payments											
Income tax	4.64	6.03	8.97	24.88	47.93	67.71	77.26	124.78	210.74	67.63	
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	3.47	0.23	2.24	2.87	4.39	5.97	8.69	5.68	12.73	5.26	
Other capital housing costs	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	9.36	
Superannuation and life insurance	1.27	0.71	2.14	3.86	7.34	11.30	12.31	25.82	26.96	10.75	
Proportion of total expenditure on commodities and services (%)											
Commodity or service											
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	15.7	12.2	12.5	12.5	11.6	12.0	13.2	10.3	8.2	11.3	
Fuel and power	4.8	5.1	4.1	3.3	3.2	4.2	3.1	2.6	2.9	3.3	
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	23.5	24.5	22.6	19.5	18.9	19.6	19.8	17.7	17.8	19.4	
Alcoholic beverages	3.5	2.1	3.0	2.9	2.5	3.0	4.1	4.4	4.3	3.5	
Tobacco	2.0	2.0	2.1	2.3	2.0	1.8	1.9	1.3	1.7	1.7	
Clothing and footwear	7.5	5.7	6.4	6.3	6.6	6.0	6.6	6.0	7.1	6.4	
Household furnishings and equipment	5.2	6.1	7.0	7.4	8.1	10.7	8.5	11.6	9.6	9.2	
Household services and operation	6.5	6.2	5.1	5.3	4.2	4.6	4.1	3.7	4.1	4.4	
Medical care and health expenses	5.3	3.6	3.9	4.0	4.6	4.8	3.8	4.1	4.2	4.2	
Transport	7.4	13.9	16.5	17.6	18.4	17.8	15.7	16.1	19.6	16.9	
Recreation	11.7	11.9	8.8	10.4	10.0	9.2	10.4	13.0	12.2	11.3	
Personal care	1.8	2.2	2.7	2.2	2.5	2.0	2.0	1.6	2.2	2.1	
Miscellaneous commodities and services	5.0	4.5	5.3	6.2	7.4	4.3	6.8	7.7	6.6	6.3	
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	

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1984 HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE SURVEY
 TABLE 5: HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME DECILE GROUP(a), SOUTH AUSTRALIA—continued

Household characteristics	Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution (\$)										All house- holds
	Lowest 10%	Second decile	Third decile	Fourth decile	Fifth decile	Sixth decile	Seventh decile	Eighth decile	Ninth decile	Highest 10%	
Average weekly household income (b)(d)	86.70	136.95	181.13	248.53	322.57	388.55	470.71	561.59	699.38	1,071.41	417.13
Proportion of total income being:											
Wages and salaries	%	3.7	11.8	41.0	66.2	76.3	81.2	83.7	82.8	79.2	70.0
Own business	%	1.4	6.3	10.1	9.2	5.6	8.0	6.8	8.8	10.3	8.2
Government pensions and benefits	%	90.9	80.2	71.9	30.6	9.0	6.2	3.9	3.4	1.4	13.5
Other	%	*7.1	*11.5	*10.0	*18.3	*9.2	*4.7	*5.6	*5.0	*9.1	8.3
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average age of household head (years)	62.17	55.88	52.59	47.38	44.54	44.40	40.85	40.86	41.08	45.55	47.52
Average number of persons per household:	No.	0.41	0.61	0.76	0.98	1.23	1.14	0.80	1.11	0.64	0.78
Under 18 years	No.	0.62	0.76	1.21	1.76	1.75	1.98	2.07	2.25	2.55	1.66
18 to 64 years	No.	0.55	0.63	0.51	0.37	0.22	0.11	0.11	0.08	0.14	0.29
65 years and over	No.	1.32	1.80	2.33	2.74	3.20	3.23	2.98	3.44	3.33	2.73
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:	%										
Owned outright	%	48.1	48.2	44.9	44.6	38.2	18.0	31.2	32.3	30.1	37.4
Being bought	%	13.7	6.4	18.5	19.4	32.3	39.7	40.3	41.0	57.3	32.6
Renting—government	%	*11.6	*28.0	*14.5	*12.0	*11.4	*7.8	*4.7	*8.9	*0.0	10.5
Renting—private	%	18.2	16.6	18.2	19.0	16.7	18.1	22.9	15.8	11.7	17.0
Occupied rent-free	%	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	2.5
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average number of employed persons in household (number) (e)	0.25	0.20	0.31	0.79	1.14	1.23	1.47	1.75	2.07	2.38	1.16
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:											
Married couple:											
— only	%	4.8	35.4	40.7	33.2	22.2	17.4	27.3	21.4	24.0	24.5
— with dependent children only	%	4.6	2.7	17.1	29.1	40.4	43.9	32.5	32.5	23.1	27.5
— other	%	*3.4	*0.0	*4.2	*11.4	*9.6	14.8	*21.0	*27.9	*38.3	13.8
Single parent one family household only	%	*2.5	*25.8	*15.0	*3.4	*3.7	*6.2	*0.7	*0.7	*0.0	6.0
Single person household	%	83.9	35.4	16.7	12.7	15.0	8.1	7.6	4.1	2.0	19.8
Other(f)	%	*0.8	*0.6	*6.3	*10.1	*9.1	*9.7	*10.9	*13.5	*12.6	8.5
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Estimated number of households being in(g):	(' 000)	32.9	31.8	37.1	34.4	31.6	37.1	34.3	37.5	35.8	342.5
Capital city	(' 000)	*6.4	*8.9	*5.5	*4.1	*10.7	*6.0	*5.5	*5.5	*6.4	68.8
Other urban areas	(' 000)	6.8	5.7	4.0	7.6	4.2	3.4	5.8	3.4	4.2	50.4
Rural areas											
Number of households in sample	100	101	104	106	103	102	115	107	104	107	1,049
Estimated total number in population:	(' 000)	45.6	46.4	46.6	46.1	46.6	46.4	45.6	46.3	46.4	461.6
Households	(' 000)	60.3	83.6	108.4	126.3	137.4	146.2	135.8	159.3	154.4	1,261.7
Persons											

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1984 HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE SURVEY
 TABLE 6: HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME DECILE GROUP(a), WESTERN AUSTRALIA

	Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution (\$)										All house- holds
	0- 126	127- 179	180- 241	242- 317	318- 392	393- 463	464- 539	540- 660	661- 848	849 and over	
<i>Broad expenditure group(b)</i>											
	Lowest 10%	Second decile	Third decile	Fourth decile	Fifth decile	Sixth decile	Seventh decile	Eighth decile	Ninth decile	Highest 10%	
	Average weekly household expenditure (\$)(c)										
Commodity or service	20.63	18.80	26.14	39.38	44.79	42.83	50.06	57.33	58.11	56.67	41.50
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	6.28	7.86	9.53	9.59	10.01	10.42	10.40	11.14	12.12	16.33	10.37
Fuel and power	31.06	45.00	49.74	61.54	65.66	67.54	79.45	78.49	88.74	124.34	69.18
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	3.55	5.44	7.60	11.02	12.62	13.98	13.18	15.84	17.74	31.37	13.24
Alcoholic beverages	3.01	3.72	5.50	5.85	5.76	6.06	7.51	7.53	6.79	10.89	6.27
Tobacco	8.34	10.39	8.50	16.86	15.64	17.75	26.58	22.62	31.32	49.11	20.72
Clothing and footwear	12.49	14.72	25.33	27.28	18.06	22.90	43.34	29.27	37.44	54.31	28.54
Household furnishings and equipment	8.37	11.34	12.06	14.46	13.88	15.69	16.31	17.99	20.69	26.52	15.74
Household services and operation	4.22	4.73	6.11	11.57	13.99	13.36	14.38	16.74	17.05	25.01	12.72
Medical care and health expenses	16.18	33.24	41.20	36.53	59.86	56.09	68.81	84.55	102.95	124.96	62.47
Transport	19.82	25.72	27.01	27.39	39.41	43.88	46.01	56.73	68.77	109.97	46.50
Recreation	2.67	3.34	3.26	5.93	5.96	5.49	6.48	8.31	9.22	11.70	6.24
Personal care	8.23	8.26	9.62	22.13	20.40	20.10	29.71	29.25	39.37	77.89	26.52
Miscellaneous commodities and services											
Total commodity or service expenditure	144.86	192.55	231.59	289.53	326.06	336.08	412.22	435.80	510.31	719.06	360.01
Selected other payments											
Income tax	7.50	9.77	20.01	44.84	55.77	73.85	87.43	114.84	144.09	259.24	81.82
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	1.47	1.15	1.10	5.34	8.06	6.94	10.01	11.93	14.25	10.61	7.09
Other capital housing costs	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	21.44
Superannuation and life insurance	1.59	0.87	2.21	5.43	8.30	12.61	15.84	16.93	20.16	30.67	11.47
	Proportion of total expenditure on commodities and services (%)										
Commodity or service	14.2	9.8	11.3	13.6	13.7	12.7	12.1	13.2	11.4	7.9	11.5
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	4.3	4.1	4.1	3.3	3.1	3.1	2.5	2.6	2.4	2.3	2.9
Fuel and power	21.4	23.4	21.5	21.3	20.1	20.1	19.3	18.0	17.4	17.3	19.2
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	2.4	2.8	3.3	3.8	3.9	4.2	3.2	3.6	3.5	4.4	3.7
Alcoholic beverages	2.1	1.9	2.4	2.0	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.7	1.3	1.5	1.7
Tobacco	5.8	5.4	3.7	5.8	5.3	6.4	10.5	5.2	6.1	6.8	5.8
Clothing and footwear	8.6	7.6	10.9	9.4	5.5	6.8	10.5	6.7	7.3	7.6	7.9
Household furnishings and equipment	5.8	5.9	5.2	5.0	4.3	4.7	4.0	4.1	4.1	3.7	4.4
Household services and operation	2.9	2.5	2.6	3.8	4.0	4.0	4.0	3.8	3.3	3.5	3.5
Medical care and health expenses	11.2	17.3	17.8	12.6	18.4	16.7	16.7	19.4	20.2	17.4	17.4
Transport	13.7	13.4	11.7	9.5	12.1	13.1	11.2	13.0	13.5	15.3	12.9
Recreation	1.8	1.7	1.4	2.0	1.8	1.6	1.6	1.9	1.8	1.6	1.7
Personal care	5.7	4.3	4.2	7.6	6.3	6.0	7.2	6.7	7.7	10.8	7.4
Miscellaneous commodities and services											
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	100.0

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TABLE 6: HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME DECILE GROUP(a), WESTERN AUSTRALIA—continued

Household characteristics	Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution (\$)										All house- holds
	Lowest 10%	Second decile	Third decile	Fourth decile	Fifth decile	Sixth decile	Seventh decile	Eighth decile	Ninth decile	Highest 10%	
<i>Average weekly household income \$(d)</i>	89.58	155.43	205.29	283.58	355.77	424.26	502.00	596.27	740.30	1,172.62	452.87
Proportion of total income being:											
Wages and salaries	2.2	3.7	19.0	60.3	76.3	76.6	81.0	85.9	87.4	73.5	71.7
Own business	4.5	2.7	9.3	9.3	10.1	10.6	9.1	5.8	4.4	13.3	8.9
Government pensions and benefits	84.7	82.3	55.7	15.6	9.1	6.9	4.5	2.7	2.9	11.0	11.0
Other	*8.6	*11.3	*15.9	*14.7	*4.6	*5.8	*5.3	*5.5	*5.2	*12.1	8.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average age of household head (years)</i>	59.38	57.93	51.56	46.06	38.12	39.50	40.00	38.06	39.65	43.14	45.33
Average number of persons per household:											
Under 18 years	0.18	0.50	0.67	0.86	1.04	1.18	1.15	1.06	1.09	0.93	0.87
18 to 64 years	0.71	0.94	1.24	1.58	1.89	1.76	1.93	2.10	2.31	2.63	1.71
65 years and over	0.44	0.73	0.54	0.28	0.06	0.12	0.07	0.05	0.03	0.08	0.24
Total	1.33	2.17	2.45	2.72	2.99	3.06	3.15	3.21	3.43	3.64	2.82
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:											
Owned outright	46.0	53.4	47.0	38.6	25.2	22.0	19.5	17.9	25.1	35.7	33.0
Being bought	9.7	9.5	11.8	28.6	41.5	46.4	47.6	57.3	54.7	46.1	35.3
Renting—government	*12.2	*14.4	*16.6	*5.2	*4.9	*5.2	*4.6	*1.6	*2.0	*2.1	6.9
Renting—private	18.4	15.1	19.5	21.0	26.6	21.1	23.1	22.4	17.3	16.1	20.1
Occupied rent-free	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	4.7
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average number of employed persons in household (number)(e)</i>	0.23	0.16	0.47	0.93	1.26	1.30	1.60	1.73	2.07	2.53	1.23
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:											
Married couple:											
— only	1.6	52.1	40.8	29.1	18.9	20.5	21.9	29.0	25.5	21.5	26.0
— with dependent children only	5.6	11.2	20.7	33.5	40.9	39.5	44.3	37.9	36.1	18.7	28.9
— other	3.0	*0.8	0.7	9.5	9.6	8.7	12.2	17.8	28.6	*44.9	13.6
Single parent one family household only	*4.0	*15.5	*10.9	*3.2	*3.4	*1.6	*0.8	*1.6	*1.8	*0.0	4.3
Single person household	81.7	16.1	15.1	20.2	18.4	17.9	9.8	4.1	1.2	2.9	18.8
Other(f)	*4.1	*4.3	*11.9	*4.5	*8.8	*11.8	*11.0	*9.5	*6.9	*11.9	8.5
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Estimated number of households being in(g):											
Capital city	37.0	31.3	31.0	34.4	35.2	33.9	34.9	36.3	35.1	32.1	341.1
Other urban areas	*6.1	*10.3	*11.5	*7.0	*6.0	*7.2	*8.2	*6.6	*8.6	*10.6	82.0
Rural areas	2.1	2.4	3.5	3.9	3.9	4.0	1.9	1.9	1.7	2.5	27.8
<i>Number of households in sample</i>	112	103	108	111	110	108	109	111	110	102	1,084
Estimated total number in population:											
Households	45.2	44.0	45.9	45.2	45.1	45.1	45.0	44.8	45.4	45.2	450.9
Persons	60.1	95.7	112.5	122.7	134.6	138.1	141.7	144.0	155.6	164.7	1,269.7

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TABLE 7: HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME DECILE GROUP(a), TASMANIA

	Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution (\$)										All household-holds
	0-109	110-158	159-205	206-261	262-327	328-382	383-489	490-575	576-727	728 and over	
<i>Broad expenditure group(b)</i>	Lowest 10%	Second decile	Third decile	Fourth decile	Fifth decile	Sixth decile	Seventh decile	Eighth decile	Ninth decile	Highest 10%	
	Average weekly household expenditure \$(c)										
Commodity or service	17.17	26.14	31.47	34.41	33.99	40.65	43.13	54.63	44.46	64.62	39.04
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	7.25	8.60	8.32	9.76	9.01	12.29	13.10	12.35	12.41	16.07	10.91
Fuel and power	25.59	36.39	52.25	54.81	51.81	78.83	78.40	66.08	79.76	104.78	62.80
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	2.57	2.35	3.07	5.70	6.59	13.42	11.27	13.48	18.41	17.85	9.45
Alcoholic beverages	3.18	2.45	8.24	6.85	6.20	4.91	7.59	4.59	5.57	6.11	5.56
Tobacco	5.74	7.19	20.20	12.10	11.43	(51.82)	17.29	21.65	30.54	54.53	23.18
Clothing and footwear	4.62	11.23	17.30	20.70	16.08	33.12	18.69	48.12	27.20	42.64	23.93
Household furnishings and equipment	8.98	7.91	11.02	10.55	10.86	16.88	13.94	16.04	14.96	20.59	13.16
Household services and operation	2.32	2.75	5.39	8.11	17.17	10.06	14.50	14.83	15.49	23.35	11.40
Medical care and health expenses	10.54	23.65	29.68	40.76	32.22	52.23	52.13	60.17	75.56	99.55	47.59
Transport	10.65	10.17	26.48	31.94	23.95	66.04	51.20	45.58	55.39	89.66	41.01
Recreation	2.57	1.69	2.93	5.17	3.18	7.99	7.83	5.89	6.40	13.45	5.70
Personal care	4.46	6.38	10.06	10.05	12.54	33.91	17.98	22.31	22.50	41.91	18.17
Miscellaneous commodities and services											
Total commodity or service expenditure	105.65	146.89	226.42	250.88	235.03	422.16	347.05	385.74	408.66	595.10	311.90
Selected other payments	2.83	7.67	15.09	17.82	40.39	55.21	77.06	110.74	133.21	201.30	66.06
Income tax	*0.64	*1.37	*1.09	*5.34	1.51	*4.53	6.50	*6.36	9.08	11.93	4.82
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)					*	*	*	*	*	*	6.78
Other capital housing costs											10.53
Superannuation and life insurance	0.32	1.04	0.75	1.76	5.75	8.99	13.35	16.21	26.34	30.92	
	Proportion of total expenditure on commodities and services (%)										
Commodity or service	16.3	17.8	13.9	13.7	14.5	9.6	12.4	14.2	10.9	10.9	12.5
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	6.9	5.9	3.7	3.9	3.8	2.9	3.8	3.2	3.0	2.7	3.5
Fuel and power	24.2	24.8	23.1	21.8	22.0	18.7	22.6	17.1	19.5	17.6	20.1
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	2.4	1.6	1.4	2.3	2.8	3.2	3.2	3.5	4.5	3.0	3.0
Alcoholic beverages	3.0	1.7	3.6	2.7	2.6	1.2	2.2	1.2	1.4	1.0	1.8
Tobacco	5.4	4.9	8.9	4.8	4.9	(12.3)	5.0	5.6	6.7	9.2	7.4
Clothing and footwear	4.4	7.6	7.6	8.3	6.8	7.8	12.5	12.5	6.7	7.2	7.7
Household furnishings and equipment	8.5	5.4	4.9	4.2	4.6	4.0	4.0	4.2	3.7	3.5	4.2
Household services and operation	2.2	1.9	2.4	3.2	7.3	2.4	4.2	3.8	3.8	3.9	3.7
Medical care and health expenses	10.0	16.1	13.1	16.2	13.7	12.4	15.0	15.6	18.5	16.7	15.3
Transport	10.1	6.9	11.7	12.7	10.2	15.6	14.8	11.8	13.6	15.1	13.1
Recreation	2.4	1.2	1.3	2.1	1.4	1.9	2.3	1.5	1.6	2.3	1.8
Personal care	4.2	4.3	4.4	4.0	5.3	8.0	5.2	5.8	5.5	7.0	5.8
Miscellaneous commodities and services											
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	100.0

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 TABLE 7: HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME DECILE GROUP(a), TASMANIA—continued

Household characteristics	Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution (\$)										All house- holds
	Lowest 10%	Second decile	Third decile	Fourth decile	Fifth decile	Sixth decile	Seventh decile	Eighth decile	Ninth decile	Highest 10%	
Average weekly household income (\$)(d)	86.87	140.95	183.81	232.62	301.62	355.83	437.13	528.27	641.64	1,019.78	392.47
Proportion of total income being:											
Wages and salaries	0.5	4.7	8.0	25.7	63.7	63.4	75.0	83.9	80.6	75.3	65.0
Own business	0.0	1.7	3.7	20.4	10.8	7.0	7.7	3.4	11.6	13.7	9.7
Government pensions and benefits	94.2	*85.0	74.7	*38.0	16.3	*13.8	7.7	2.6	3.2	1.0	15.4
Other	*5.3	*	*13.6	*	*9.1	*	*9.7	*10.0	*4.7	*10.0	9.9
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average age of household head (years)	61.99	56.70	51.38	42.81	46.36	46.10	41.08	38.23	41.38	41.67	46.79
Average number of persons per household:											
Under 18 years	No.	0.34	0.88	1.78	0.84	1.03	1.28	0.74	1.22	1.04	0.93
18 to 64 years	No.	0.49	0.75	1.38	1.65	1.79	1.88	1.80	2.23	2.55	1.60
65 years and over	No.	*0.56	*0.77	*0.48	*0.20	*0.12	0.12	*0.16	0.01	0.02	0.27
Total	No.	1.18	1.87	2.73	3.64	2.94	3.28	2.70	3.45	3.60	2.80
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:											
Owned outright	%	37.8	54.2	48.8	38.9	45.3	32.5	15.8	34.9	21.5	36.3
Bought	%	11.2	10.1	13.4	26.7	31.2	44.4	50.3	49.7	68.6	35.5
Renting—government	%	*21.7	*16.4	*7.1	*	*7.5	*7.9	*9.9	*2.0	*0.0	8.3
Renting—private	%	20.7	*17.6	30.2	*14.6	15.4	14.5	23.4	12.9	9.9	16.7
Occupied rent-free	%	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	3.1
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average number of employed persons in household (number)(e)	0.12	0.12	0.26	0.73	0.90	1.10	1.35	1.41	2.04	2.31	1.03
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:											
Married couple:											
— only	%	0.0	49.3	34.5	17.4	33.2	25.7	45.9	13.1	12.1	25.9
— with dependent children only	%	3.3	2.2	38.8	55.6	28.9	51.1	35.6	35.0	43.3	32.2
— other	%	*0.0	*0.0	*1.0	*2.7	*5.2	*4.7	*4.3	*28.3	*38.3	10.1
Single parent one family household only	%	*0.0	*18.2	*13.7	*	*4.9	*1.8	*1.3	*0.0	*0.7	6.5
Single person household	%	*95.2	*26.2	*5.7	*8.2	20.2	6.9	*8.2	6.0	0.0	18.9
Other(f)	%	*	*	*	*	*7.6	*9.8	*	*17.5	*5.6	6.4
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Estimated number of households being in(g):											
Capital city	('000)	5.5	4.2	5.8	4.3	5.6	7.4	5.7	7.1	8.7	59.4
Other urban areas	('000)	*7.5	*	*5.1	*	*6.8	*5.6	*7.6	*5.1	*4.6	61.1
Rural areas	('000)	1.5	*3.4	3.6	*4.1	2.2	1.5	1.2	2.2	1.1	24.0
Number of households in sample		67	59	71	55	77	85	68	82	92	718
Estimated total number in population:											
Households	('000)	14.4	14.7	14.4	14.3	14.6	14.5	14.5	14.4	14.4	144.5
Persons	('000)	17.0	27.5	39.4	51.8	38.8	41.9	39.0	49.8	51.9	404.7

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 TABLE 8: HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME DECILE GROUP(a), NORTHERN TERRITORY† — continued

Household characteristics	Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution (\$)										All household-holds
	Lowest 10%	Second decile	Third decile	Fourth decile	Fifth decile	Sixth decile	Seventh decile	Eighth decile	Ninth decile	Highest 10%	
<i>Average weekly household income (\$)(d)</i>	149.49	305.52	373.19	456.86	503.91	570.60	642.72	729.42	867.40	1,260.49	583.96
Proportion of total income being:											
Wages and salaries	% 17.0	% 76.3	% 84.5	% 82.0	% 86.9	% 94.3	% 89.8	% 93.1	% 91.0	% 80.9	% 85.1
Own business	% 8.2	% 8.9	% 6.1	% 10.6	% 5.1	% 0.6	% 2.2	% 2.4	% 4.7	% 3.7	% 4.4
Government pensions and benefits	% 66.8	% 10.3	% 7.0	% 5.9	% 3.4	% 2.8	% 2.3	% 1.5	% 1.1	% 0.9	% 4.5
Other	% *8.0	% *	% *	% *	% *	% *	% *	% *3.0	% *3.2	% *	% 5.9
Total	% 100.0	% 100.0	% 100.0	% 100.0	% 100.0	% 100.0	% 100.0	% 100.0	% 100.0	% 100.0	% 100.0
<i>Average age of household head (years)</i>	45.69	34.97	35.28	35.99	34.34	35.14	37.62	36.59	35.09	43.77	37.44
Average number of persons per household:											
Under 18 years	No. 0.90	No. 0.84	No. 1.43	No. 0.90	No. 1.37	No. 1.16	No. 1.22	No. 1.28	No. 1.01	No. 1.08	No. 1.12
18 to 64 years	No. 1.34	No. 1.58	No. 1.83	No. 1.73	No. 1.86	No. 1.87	No. 1.98	No. 2.12	No. 2.10	No. 2.40	No. 1.88
65 years and over	No. *0.16	No. *0.03	No. *0.07	No. *0.03	No. *0.00	No. *0.03	No. *0.01	No. *0.03	No. *0.00	No. *0.01	No. 0.04
Total	No. 2.40	No. 2.45	No. 3.33	No. 2.66	No. 3.23	No. 3.06	No. 3.20	No. 3.43	No. 3.11	No. 3.49	No. 3.03
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:											
Owned outright	% 22.6	% 4.1	% 9.6	% 16.2	% 3.9	% 6.4	% 9.8	% 5.4	% 6.0	% 20.2	% 10.4
Being bought	% 7.7	% 12.5	% 16.6	% 29.2	% 24.2	% 40.9	% 39.4	% 46.4	% 59.6	% 60.5	% 33.7
Renting—government	% *54.4	% *	% *	% *	% *	% *31.9	% *19.2	% *27.6	% *18.3	% *10.0	% 29.0
Renting—private	% 15.2	% *50.5	% *27.2	% *28.7	% *28.7	% *14.3	% *31.6	% 19.6	% 15.0	% *7.1	% 23.9
Occupied rent-free	% *	% *	% *	% *	% *	% *	% *	% *	% *	% *	% 3.0
Total	% 100.0	% 100.0	% 100.0	% 100.0	% 100.0	% 100.0	% 100.0	% 100.0	% 100.0	% 100.0	% 100.0
<i>Average number of employed persons in household (number)(e)</i>	0.42	1.02	1.14	1.18	1.46	1.37	1.74	2.26	2.01	2.43	1.50
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:											
Married couple:											
— only	% 15.4	% 3.9	% 13.1	% 10.4	% 6.7	% 23.1	% 19.7	% 19.8	% 19.3	% 27.5	% 15.8
— with dependent children only	% 23.4	% 30.6	% 47.6	% 28.5	% 63.1	% 48.8	% 32.3	% 53.4	% 46.1	% 32.8	% 40.6
— other	% *1.3	% *4.9	% *13.8	% *3.4	% *2.2	% *3.5	% *10.7	% *12.2	% *10.0	% *29.0	% 9.1
Single parent one family household only	% *22.0	% *	% *	% *	% *7.2	% *3.5	% *18.0	% *0.0	% *0.0	% *0.7	% 8.1
Single person household	% *34.7	% *38.0	% *11.2	% *22.6	% *12.2	% *9.7	% *0.8	% *2.5	% *0.8	% *1.6	% 13.5
Other(f)	% *	% *	% *	% *	% *	% *	% *	% *	% *	% *	% 12.8
Total	% 100.0	% 100.0	% 100.0	% 100.0	% 100.0	% 100.0	% 100.0	% 100.0	% 100.0	% 100.0	% 100.0
Estimated number of households being in(g):											
Capital city	('000) 2.3	('000) 2.0	('000) 2.0	('000) 1.2	('000) 2.1	('000) 1.9	('000) 2.1	('000) 2.4	('000) 2.2	('000) 2.1	('000) 20.2
Other urban areas	('000) *0.3	('000) *	('000) *	('000) *	('000) *	('000) *0.3	('000) *	('000) *0.3	('000) *0.0	('000) *	('000) 5.1
Rural areas	('000) *	('000) *	('000) *	('000) *	('000) *	('000) *	('000) *	('000) *	('000) *	('000) *	('000) *
<i>Number of households in sample</i>	71	53	53	39	57	62	58	68	66	60	587
Estimated total number in population:											
Households	('000) 2.6	('000) 2.7	('000) 2.5	('000) 2.7	('000) 2.6	('000) 2.6	('000) 2.6	('000) 2.6	('000) 2.5	('000) 2.6	('000) 26.0
Persons	6.1	6.6	8.3	7.2	8.3	7.9	8.3	9.0	7.9	9.1	78.8

† Darwin and environs and Alice Springs only.

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TABLE 9: HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME DECILE GROUP(a), AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

Broad expenditure group(b)	Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution (\$)										All household holds
	0-178 Lowest 10%	179-330 Second decile	331-429 Third decile	430-515 Fourth decile	516-599 Fifth decile	600-672 Sixth decile	673-760 Seventh decile	761-911 Eighth decile	912-1,102 Ninth decile	1,103 and over Highest 10%	
	Average weekly household expenditure\$(c)										
Commodity or service											
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	32.24	44.26	56.13	55.66	54.23	75.66	72.23	71.88	64.47	80.81	60.78
Fuel and power	8.94	10.98	15.46	13.06	13.32	12.76	13.50	15.16	14.19	18.34	13.57
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	45.15	61.52	68.87	74.86	89.17	80.40	102.39	92.72	115.42	130.31	86.06
Alcoholic beverages	3.71	7.62	10.94	8.91	16.75	15.04	19.78	25.12	18.75	23.79	15.05
Tobacco	2.21	5.39	3.70	4.14	3.01	4.82	4.36	6.62	4.43	5.45	4.42
Clothing and footwear	13.78	12.54	18.32	23.10	29.54	31.46	31.34	28.89	40.69	65.74	29.54
Household furnishings and equipment	18.07	19.72	23.18	33.03	33.38	44.11	59.19	33.64	45.39	46.94	35.62
Household services and operation	12.50	14.01	16.08	20.31	20.13	19.06	24.43	21.59	25.36	27.31	20.07
Medical care and health expenses	5.22	8.86	13.11	16.68	16.43	14.49	15.54	18.31	26.32	24.20	15.92
Transport	26.14	40.53	53.77	87.67	69.77	77.92	83.44	79.73	142.90	147.47	80.93
Recreation	15.06	34.00	35.63	59.49	50.16	46.55	49.52	89.67	82.00	134.71	59.78
Personal care	4.05	4.73	5.99	7.90	6.86	9.46	8.97	10.27	8.60	11.78	7.87
Miscellaneous commodities and services	7.53	17.11	28.88	(77.92)	32.19	52.28	36.11	44.12	54.40	76.55	42.76
Total commodity or service expenditure	194.59	281.27	350.07	482.72	434.94	484.02	520.79	537.73	642.91	793.41	472.38
Selected other payments											
Income tax	14.34	42.53	70.21	97.07	116.18	135.06	144.34	178.05	204.38	311.65	131.49
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	*0.45	*4.36	*4.69	*6.20	*6.50	*8.72	*9.54	*13.21	*11.13	*14.55	7.95
Other capital housing costs	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*24.84
Superannuation and life insurance	0.41	4.88	13.61	15.51	19.60	25.31	29.83	35.68	36.51	50.95	23.25
	Proportion of total expenditure on commodities and services (%)										
Commodity or service											
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	16.6	15.7	16.0	11.5	12.5	15.6	13.9	13.4	10.0	10.2	12.9
Fuel and power	4.6	3.9	4.4	2.7	3.1	2.6	2.6	2.8	2.2	2.3	2.9
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	23.2	21.9	19.7	15.5	20.5	16.6	19.7	17.2	18.0	16.4	18.2
Alcoholic beverages	1.9	2.7	3.1	1.8	3.9	3.1	3.8	4.7	2.9	3.0	3.2
Tobacco	1.1	1.9	1.1	0.9	0.7	1.0	0.7	1.2	0.7	0.7	0.9
Clothing and footwear	7.1	4.5	5.2	4.8	6.8	6.5	6.0	5.4	6.3	8.3	6.3
Household furnishings and equipment	9.3	7.0	6.6	6.8	7.7	9.1	11.4	7.1	7.1	5.9	7.5
Household services and operation	6.4	5.0	4.6	4.2	4.6	3.9	4.7	4.0	3.9	3.4	4.2
Medical care and health expenses	2.7	3.1	3.7	3.5	3.8	3.0	3.0	3.4	4.1	3.1	3.4
Transport	13.4	14.4	15.4	18.2	16.0	16.1	16.0	14.8	22.2	18.6	17.1
Recreation	7.7	12.1	10.2	12.3	11.5	9.6	9.5	16.7	12.8	17.0	12.7
Personal care	2.1	1.7	1.7	1.6	1.6	2.0	1.7	1.9	1.3	1.5	1.7
Miscellaneous commodities and services	3.9	6.1	8.3	(16.1)	7.4	10.8	6.9	8.2	8.5	9.6	9.1
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	100.0

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 TABLE 9: HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME DECILE GROUP(a), AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY —continued

Household characteristics	Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution (\$)										All household holds
	Lowest 10%	Second decile	Third decile	Fourth decile	Fifth decile	Sixth decile	Seventh decile	Eighth decile	Ninth decile	Highest 10%	
Average weekly household income (\$)(d)	110.05	263.80	379.91	472.18	557.74	639.18	716.30	827.47	1,003.13	1,306.32	627.97
Proportion of total income being:											
Wages and salaries	5.1	55.9	71.4	77.1	81.7	89.6	89.8	89.3	88.0	87.3	83.2
Own business	0.1	11.0	8.5	5.7	4.7	4.4	1.6	1.8	4.9	4.5	4.4
Government pensions and benefits	78.2	18.2	7.9	4.6	5.0	2.0	2.5	2.1	1.4	1.1	4.6
Other	*	*14.8	*12.2	*12.7	*8.6	*4.0	*	*6.9	*5.7	*7.1	7.8
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average age of household head (years)	56.49	40.27	39.85	39.83	38.96	37.39	38.58	41.01	41.95	44.03	41.83
Average number of persons per household:											
Under 18 years	No. 0.29	1.07	1.25	1.11	1.17	1.00	0.98	1.03	1.17	0.99	1.00
18 to 64 years	No. 0.70	1.51	1.72	1.80	1.97	1.86	2.06	2.10	2.45	2.90	1.91
65 years and over	No. *0.62	*0.11	*0.08	*0.08	*0.03	*0.00	*0.04	*0.12	*0.03	*0.08	0.12
Total	No. 1.62	2.69	3.04	2.99	3.18	2.86	3.08	3.25	3.65	3.97	3.03
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:											
Owned outright	% 29.2	14.9	10.0	15.9	17.4	5.7	17.9	12.1	18.5	21.7	16.3
Being bought	% 7.1	40.6	57.1	45.2	55.5	62.9	58.9	67.0	65.6	69.4	53.0
Renting—government	% *47.2	*26.1	*16.4	*10.3	*10.7	*4.5	*7.7	*2.6	*1.6	*0.0	12.7
Renting—private	% *15.1	14.0	15.2	*19.6	*12.8	26.9	*15.4	17.2	12.8	*8.9	15.8
Occupied rent-free	% *	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	2.3
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average number of employed persons in household (number)(e)	0.13	0.80	1.13	1.19	1.49	1.53	1.73	2.00	2.38	2.62	1.50
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:											
Married couple:											
— only	% 27.8	20.0	14.0	10.3	14.8	33.0	18.9	17.6	10.2	11.2	17.8
— with dependent children only	% 2.5	28.5	43.6	52.6	51.3	40.2	47.5	4.55	40.4	27.5	38.0
— other	% *0.0	*1.6	*3.9	*6.7	*12.0	*1.5	*8.1	*16.0	*36.0	*38.8	12.4
Single parent one family household only	% *14.5	*19.3	*12.0	*7.2	*3.7	*5.5	*3.0	*0.0	*0.0	*1.4	6.7
Single person household	% *52.8	*26.2	*18.4	*12.2	*11.8	*13.5	*7.0	*1.3	*0.0	*0.0	14.3
Other(f)	% *	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	10.8
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Estimated number of households being in (g):											
Capital city	('000) 7.3	7.4	7.0	7.3	7.3	7.5	7.3	7.6	7.4	7.4	73.4
Other urban areas	('000) ..	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	0.9
Rural areas	('000) ..	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Number of households in sample	62	66	65	64	64	65	62	65	65	64	642
Estimated total number in population:											
Households	('000) 7.4	7.5	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.5	7.3	7.6	7.4	7.4	74.3
Persons	('000) 11.9	20.1	22.4	22.3	23.5	21.5	22.3	24.6	27.0	29.5	225.2

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TABLE 10: HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME DECILE GROUP(a), AUSTRALIA

	Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution (\$)										All household-holds
	0-113	114-171	172-235	236-314	315-387	388-472	473-564	565-676	676-860	861 and over	
<i>Broad expenditure group(b)</i>											
	Lowest 10%	Second decile	Third decile	Fourth decile	Fifth decile	Sixth decile	Seventh decile	Eighth decile	Ninth decile	Highest 10%	
	Average weekly household expenditure \$(c)										
Commodity or service	24.19	27.64	29.40	41.00	48.10	52.41	54.31	55.94	61.56	70.14	46.46
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	6.42	8.07	9.37	9.19	10.45	10.90	11.55	11.50	12.62	15.50	10.56
Fuel and power	32.94	44.06	54.95	60.45	65.21	73.19	80.08	83.37	95.15	122.79	71.22
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	3.43	4.33	6.75	9.48	10.00	13.04	14.35	16.60	18.72	26.31	12.30
Alcoholic beverages	2.58	3.67	5.00	6.01	5.80	6.63	6.58	6.51	7.12	7.38	5.73
Tobacco	7.03	10.59	14.20	16.65	18.74	21.04	24.15	27.11	41.58	53.54	23.46
Clothing and footwear	8.73	14.22	18.10	20.67	22.45	29.74	34.46	33.79	43.75	51.01	27.69
Household furnishings and equipment	8.59	10.49	12.87	13.32	14.43	15.27	16.45	17.84	20.81	26.90	15.70
Household services and operation	5.82	6.47	8.59	12.26	13.88	14.95	15.33	17.82	21.29	24.36	14.07
Medical care and health expenses	14.23	25.67	37.91	45.43	53.38	58.63	67.64	76.69	92.58	117.92	59.00
Transport	15.10	18.39	26.11	28.36	34.38	45.14	48.15	54.94	63.97	96.79	43.13
Recreation	2.58	3.78	4.26	5.29	5.52	6.44	6.99	8.53	9.86	12.80	6.60
Personal care	9.16	10.31	12.05	16.80	24.02	21.75	32.74	32.97	38.11	61.52	25.93
Miscellaneous commodities and services											
Total commodity or service expenditure	140.79	187.70	239.54	284.92	326.35	369.12	412.78	443.61	527.12	686.96	361.84
Selected other payments											
Income tax	6.00	6.56	13.73	38.07	56.22	76.22	97.58	112.65	145.10	249.05	80.07
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	2.01	1.52	2.19	4.44	6.44	7.02	8.43	9.17	10.76	12.90	6.49
Other capital housing costs	13.29	1.27	7.75	7.53	15.83	17.48	18.40	24.36	27.18	47.15	18.01
Superannuation and life insurance	1.01	0.85	1.96	4.96	9.13	11.59	15.52	17.27	22.47	30.40	11.51
	Proportion of total expenditure on commodities and services (%)										
Commodity or service	17.2	14.7	12.3	14.4	14.7	14.2	13.2	12.6	11.7	10.2	12.8
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	4.6	4.3	3.9	3.2	3.2	3.0	2.8	2.6	2.4	2.3	2.9
Fuel and power	23.4	23.5	22.9	21.2	20.0	19.8	19.4	18.8	18.1	17.9	19.7
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	2.4	2.3	2.8	3.3	3.1	3.5	3.5	3.7	3.6	3.8	3.4
Alcoholic beverages	1.8	2.0	2.1	2.1	1.8	1.8	1.6	1.5	1.4	1.1	1.6
Tobacco	5.0	5.6	5.9	5.8	5.7	5.7	5.9	5.7	7.9	7.8	6.5
Clothing and footwear	6.2	7.6	7.6	7.3	6.9	8.1	8.3	7.6	8.3	7.4	7.7
Household furnishings and equipment	6.1	5.6	5.4	4.7	4.4	4.1	4.0	4.0	3.9	3.9	4.3
Household services and operation	4.1	3.4	3.6	4.3	4.3	4.1	3.7	4.0	4.0	3.5	3.9
Medical care and health expenses	10.1	13.7	15.8	15.9	16.4	15.9	16.4	17.3	17.6	17.2	16.3
Transport	10.7	9.8	10.9	10.0	10.5	12.2	11.7	12.4	12.1	14.1	11.9
Recreation	1.8	2.0	1.8	1.9	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.8
Personal care	6.5	5.5	5.0	5.9	7.4	5.9	7.9	7.4	7.2	9.0	7.2
Miscellaneous commodities and services											
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	100.0

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TABLE 10: HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME DECILE GROUP(a), AUSTRALIA—continued

Household characteristics	Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution (\$)										All households
	Lowest 10%	Second decile	Third decile	Fourth decile	Fifth decile	Sixth decile	Seventh decile	Eighth decile	Ninth decile	Highest 10%	
<i>Average weekly household income (\$)(d)</i>	85.16	147.03	198.80	278.15	349.73	427.99	517.70	619.01	757.19	1,156.80	453.60
Proportion of total income being:											
Wages and salaries	%	3.7	12.9	57.0	72.9	76.4	82.6	83.5	84.7	77.0	71.6
Own business	%	2.8	9.5	9.5	9.9	8.7	6.4	6.0	6.2	12.7	8.5
Government pensions and benefits	%	85.9	79.5	59.3	19.9	9.8	4.9	3.6	2.4	1.6	11.3
Other	%	9.4	11.8	18.3	13.2	7.8	6.1	6.8	6.7	8.7	8.6
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average age of household head (years)</i>	62.40	57.08	53.71	45.39	42.33	41.75	40.62	41.25	41.97	44.01	47.05
Average number of persons per household:	No.	0.44	0.76	0.90	1.12	1.13	1.09	1.04	0.97	1.02	0.86
Under 18 years	No.	0.58	1.23	1.23	1.61	1.84	2.00	2.08	2.28	2.72	1.70
18 to 64 years	No.	0.56	0.72	0.61	0.23	0.13	0.09	0.09	0.08	0.07	0.27
65 years and over	No.	1.30	2.04	2.61	2.74	3.10	3.18	3.21	3.33	3.82	2.84
Total	No.	0.16	0.44	0.76	0.90	1.12	1.09	1.04	0.97	1.02	0.86
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:	%	58.9	55.1	54.6	38.2	30.8	27.6	31.2	32.3	35.0	39.4
Owned outright	%	7.5	11.0	15.0	26.6	36.6	44.5	44.8	48.9	46.8	32.1
Being bought	%	9.8	11.4	8.5	5.9	7.0	2.9	3.3	2.7	0.9	5.7
Renting—government	%	16.6	19.1	17.6	25.3	22.8	21.9	19.0	14.0	15.7	19.5
Renting—private	%	7.2	3.5	4.4	4.0	2.9	3.1	1.6	2.1	1.6	3.3
Occupied rent-free	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Total	%	0.20	0.20	0.43	0.91	1.11	1.56	1.77	2.04	2.47	1.20
<i>Average number of employed persons in household (number)(e)</i>											
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:											
Married couple:											
— only	%	5.5	45.9	39.8	25.1	17.8	21.9	23.6	25.0	16.4	23.9
— with dependent children only	%	6.6	8.1	23.0	31.7	43.5	43.1	37.3	31.5	29.7	29.7
— other	%	0.8	1.8	4.5	8.4	8.0	14.4	19.2	28.4	38.0	13.5
Single parent one family household only	%	1.7	17.1	10.8	4.7	4.3	2.4	1.9	2.2	1.1	5.0
Single person household	%	84.5	23.3	11.4	22.4	18.4	7.7	6.2	2.5	1.6	19.1
Other(f)	%	0.9	3.8	10.5	7.8	7.9	10.5	11.8	10.4	13.1	8.8
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Estimated number of households being in (g):											
Capital cities	('000)	306.0	304.5	287.5	292.0	318.7	346.6	360.0	357.8	382.5	3,279.9
Other urban areas	('000)	145.6	149.3	162.9	148.7	134.2	117.7	118.7	118.5	96.0	1,340.1
Rural areas	('000)	48.9	51.1	56.2	65.9	47.4	37.4	27.2	26.6	24.3	419.2
<i>Number of households in sample</i>		886	886	890	921	953	1,021	996	1,010	1,028	9,571
Estimated total number in population:											
Households	('000)	500.5	505.0	506.6	506.5	500.2	501.7	506.0	502.9	502.8	5,039.2
Persons	('000)	651.7	1,031.6	1,321.8	1,388.6	1,511.3	1,570.0	1,625.0	1,672.9	1,920.3	14,290.9

(a) The decile groups are 10% groupings of the estimated population when households are ranked according to each household's gross weekly income. (b) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in ABS, 1984 Household Expenditure Survey, Information Paper (6527.0). (c) See paragraph 27 of the Explanatory Notes. (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 11: HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY CAPITAL CITIES

Broad expenditure group(a)	Capital City							All households
	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Hobart	Darwin	
	Average weekly household expenditure (\$)(b)							
Commodity or service								
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	60.79	50.46	48.86	40.33	47.03	43.13	71.02	61.37
Fuel and power	9.62	12.47	9.10	10.37	10.61	11.58	10.19	13.60
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	76.85	75.71	68.45	64.55	69.07	66.31	90.76	86.42
Alcoholic beverages	13.90	11.36	11.72	12.06	12.51	11.90	25.36	15.06
Tobacco	5.93	6.72	4.72	5.82	5.78	6.13	9.36	4.42
Clothing and footwear	28.89	25.65	18.83	21.67	21.67	25.00	17.28	29.80
Household furnishings and equipment	28.33	27.52	23.79	30.86	28.46	24.62	33.70	36.01
Household services and operation	16.73	16.25	15.06	14.36	15.88	14.37	23.22	20.18
Medical care and health expenses	14.52	15.89	12.28	13.13	12.76	12.94	16.23	15.95
Transport	57.01	60.38	59.93	53.10	62.28	55.34	72.61	80.97
Recreation	45.90	48.25	41.17	37.68	45.79	49.91	58.67	60.15
Personal care	7.29	7.32	6.74	7.11	6.61	6.44	6.94	7.92
Miscellaneous commodities and services	30.61	25.24	28.35	20.96	25.25	21.79	33.00	43.00
Total commodity or service expenditure	396.37	383.23	349.01	332.01	363.70	349.46	468.33	474.85
Selected other payments								
Income tax	92.81	91.09	77.48	72.99	83.17	75.72	111.57	132.19
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	7.94	6.77	6.83	6.03	8.20	6.57	5.14	8.04
Other capital housing costs	28.78	20.54	5.49	13.70	24.67	*14.93	*32.44	*24.83
Superannuation and life insurance	11.71	12.04	12.54	11.03	12.07	14.08	21.28	23.44
	Proportion of total expenditure on commodities and services(%)							
Commodity or service								
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	15.3	13.2	14.0	12.1	12.9	12.3	15.2	12.9
Fuel and power	2.4	3.3	2.6	3.1	2.9	3.3	2.2	2.9
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	19.4	19.8	19.6	19.4	19.0	19.0	19.4	18.2
Alcoholic beverages	3.5	3.0	3.4	3.6	3.4	3.4	5.4	3.2
Tobacco	1.5	1.8	1.4	1.8	1.6	1.8	2.0	0.9
Clothing and footwear	7.3	6.7	5.4	6.5	6.0	7.2	3.7	6.3
Household furnishings and equipment	7.1	7.2	6.8	9.3	7.8	7.0	7.2	7.4
Household services and operation	4.2	4.2	4.3	4.3	4.4	4.1	5.0	4.3
Medical care and health expenses	3.7	4.1	3.5	4.0	3.5	3.7	3.5	3.4
Transport	14.4	15.8	17.2	16.0	17.1	15.8	15.5	17.1
Recreation	11.6	12.6	11.8	11.3	12.6	14.3	12.5	12.7
Personal care	1.8	1.9	1.9	2.1	1.8	1.8	1.5	1.7
Miscellaneous commodities and services	7.7	6.6	8.1	6.3	6.9	6.2	7.0	9.1
Total commodity or service expenditure	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

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TABLE 11: HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY CAPITAL CITIES—continued

Household characteristics	Capital City							All households	
	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Hobart	Darwin		Canberra
Average weekly household income (\$)(c)	499.23	492.49	448.41	427.94	452.08	443.34	597.28	631.09	481.65
Proportion of total income being:									
Wages and salaries	74.1	74.7	74.2	72.2	73.4	71.5	86.1	83.2	74.3
Own business	8.1	6.3	7.0	5.7	6.8	7.1	4.3	4.4	7.0
Government pensions and benefits	9.7	9.1	10.8	13.8	11.0	13.0	4.9	4.6	10.0
Other	8.1	9.8	8.0	8.3	8.8	8.4	4.7	7.8	8.7
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)	47.29	47.43	46.34	47.10	45.31	46.62	38.10	41.81	46.81
Average number of persons per household:									
Under 18 years	0.80	0.82	0.92	0.77	0.85	0.74	1.17	1.00	0.83
18 to 64 years	1.72	1.75	1.69	1.66	1.71	1.71	1.90	1.91	1.72
65 years and over	0.27	0.26	0.28	0.29	0.24	0.26	0.05	0.12	0.26
Total	2.78	2.83	2.89	2.72	2.79	2.70	3.11	3.03	2.81
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:									
Owned outright	37.4	39.2	38.8	35.1	31.7	32.6	9.5	16.4	36.5
Being bought	31.8	35.7	33.9	35.9	41.8	40.1	33.3	35.6	33.3
Renting—government	5.3	2.6	4.6	10.5	8.4	8.4	33.6	12.7	5.4
Renting—private	22.3	20.7	20.8	17.3	17.9	16.9	21.1	15.6	20.5
Occupied rent-free	3.1	1.7	1.8	1.2	3.4	2.0	2.4	1.8	2.3
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average number of employed persons in the household (number)(d)	1.24	1.25	1.21	1.12	1.21	1.12	1.48	1.51	1.23
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:									
Married couple:									
— only	22.4	21.5	21.4	23.4	25.3	24.2	14.9	17.9	22.3
— with dependent children only	26.2	30.8	32.2	27.9	28.7	28.5	43.2	37.5	29.0
— other	15.1	13.7	11.4	13.0	13.2	12.5	9.2	12.6	13.7
Single parent one family household only	5.5	4.3	4.9	6.3	4.6	5.0	6.6	6.7	5.1
Single person household	21.0	19.8	18.9	19.5	19.1	19.2	13.7	14.3	19.8
Other(e)	9.9	9.9	11.2	9.8	9.2	10.5	12.4	11.0	10.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Number of households in sample	1,142	1,325	929	863	892	546	565	634	6,896
Estimated total number in the population:									
Households	1,121.8	945.3	376.2	342.5	341.1	59.4	20.2	73.4	3,279.9
Persons	3,122.8	2,673.9	1,087.8	932.2	952.8	160.6	62.7	222.6	9,215.4

(a) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in ABS, 1984 Household Expenditure Survey: Information Paper (6527.0). (b) See paragraph 27 of the Explanatory Notes. (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.

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 TABLE 12: HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME DECILE GROUP(a), SYDNEY— continued

Household characteristics	Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution (\$)										All house- holds
	Lowest 10%	Second decile	Third decile	Fourth decile	Fifth decile	Sixth decile	Seventh decile	Eighth decile	Ninth decile	Highest 10%	
<i>Average weekly household income \$(d)</i>	88.72	151.36	219.10	310.86	388.97	483.08	583.51	686.82	840.71	1,237.71	499.23
Proportion of total income being:											
Wages and salaries	0.2	2.4	24.5	65.1	74.0	84.7	83.2	82.6	89.1	75.8	74.1
Own business	2.0	4.0	10.1	9.3	8.7	4.1	7.0	5.9	4.2	14.1	8.1
Government pensions and benefits	87.4	80.5	47.6	13.8	8.3	5.5	4.0	2.4	2.2	1.6	9.7
Other	*10.5	*13.2	*17.8	*11.9	*9.0	*5.8	*5.8	*9.0	*4.4	*8.4	8.1
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average age of household head (years)</i>	64.45	55.32	52.53	41.29	45.96	40.04	42.61	42.37	42.40	45.95	47.29
Average number of persons per household:											
Under 18 years	No.	0.59	0.64	0.93	0.96	1.07	1.01	0.87	0.94	0.88	0.80
18 to 64 years	No.	0.49	1.29	1.55	1.71	1.88	1.98	2.12	2.33	2.91	1.72
65 years and over	No.	0.61	0.54	0.17	0.18	0.12	0.08	0.13	0.10	0.11	0.27
Total	No.	1.19	2.46	2.64	2.85	3.07	3.08	3.12	3.37	3.90	2.78
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:											
Owned outright	%	60.4	54.6	49.8	25.6	33.4	24.9	30.1	27.2	34.8	37.4
Bought	%	2.4	6.1	14.6	30.3	33.3	40.6	46.7	50.9	48.1	31.8
Renting—government	%	*17.7	*8.5	*6.9	*4.0	*1.3	*4.9	*2.9	*0.7	*1.0	5.3
Renting—private	%	17.1	25.3	27.7	36.6	25.7	22.9	14.0	19.8	13.5	22.3
Occupied rent-free	%	* *	* *	* *	* *	* *	* *	* *	* *	* *	3.1
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average number of employed persons in household (number)(e)</i>	0.08	0.13	0.48	0.95	1.22	1.35	1.66	1.82	2.16	2.58	1.24
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:											
Married couple:											
— only	%	8.7	41.3	37.1	13.7	14.7	17.0	29.5	25.2	13.2	22.4
— with dependent children only	%	1.2	7.8	20.6	30.0	38.2	39.0	27.8	27.9	28.8	26.2
— other	%	0.0	1.9	6.4	8.2	8.2	17.8	26.5	31.4	38.0	15.1
Single parent one family household only	%	*5.3	*22.4	*6.3	*3.9	*5.6	*0.6	*3.1	*1.6	*2.0	5.5
Single person household	%	84.8	24.3	15.8	35.8	18.2	12.1	10.8	1.5	1.9	21.0
Other(f)	%	*0.0	*2.3	*13.9	*8.4	*15.0	*13.5	*7.7	*12.4	*16.1	9.9
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Number of households in sample</i>	113	115	113	111	113	120	113	111	117	116	1,142
Estimated total number in population:											
Households	('000)	111.1	112.8	113.3	111.3	112.8	112.2	110.9	113.6	112.1	1,121.8
Persons	('000)	132.0	242.9	279.2	294.1	321.1	343.2	345.4	382.4	437.1	3,122.8

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TABLE 13: HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME DECILE GROUP(a), MELBOURNE

	Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution (\$)										All household-holds
	0-123 Lowest 10%	124-182 Second decile	183-275 Third decile	276-350 Fourth decile	351-434 Fifth decile	435-524 Sixth decile	525-610 Seventh decile	611-708 Eighth decile	709-888 Ninth decile	889 and over Highest 10%	
Average weekly household expenditure (\$)(c)											
Broad expenditure group(b)											
Commodity or service											
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	23.49	35.89	35.61	45.93	56.02	56.28	57.49	67.41	58.24	68.18	50.46
Fuel and power	7.14	9.59	10.82	11.01	11.77	15.24	12.02	13.65	15.12	18.34	12.47
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	30.51	47.17	56.87	71.39	67.64	78.95	84.81	89.81	102.58	127.24	75.71
Alcoholic beverages	2.57	4.60	6.77	9.42	10.10	11.22	12.75	14.04	17.01	25.05	11.36
Tobacco	2.73	6.05	7.15	7.18	6.74	6.59	6.82	7.34	10.13	6.45	6.72
Clothing and footwear	7.02	12.62	17.78	18.97	18.33	22.05	29.09	37.32	35.92	57.36	25.65
Household furnishings and equipment	6.75	14.99	16.89	23.27	20.62	31.66	33.81	31.57	44.89	50.78	27.52
Household services and operation	7.91	12.55	11.87	13.23	14.79	18.48	15.93	18.56	23.21	25.95	16.25
Medical care and health expenses	4.75	6.89	10.93	13.35	13.60	17.84	19.68	18.67	28.20	24.98	15.89
Transport	14.73	21.11	34.57	50.29	48.73	66.52	66.84	74.94	110.92	115.10	60.38
Recreation	13.79	23.72	30.22	32.71	29.84	53.47	54.53	62.11	65.87	116.24	48.25
Personal care	3.49	4.42	4.87	5.53	4.65	6.62	7.23	10.09	10.19	16.15	7.32
Miscellaneous commodities and services	3.88	16.55	13.21	19.31	22.49	24.73	27.52	31.73	36.58	56.36	25.24
Total commodity or service expenditure	128.76	216.15	257.56	321.59	325.33	409.64	428.52	477.25	558.85	708.18	383.23
Selected other payments											
Income tax	9.47	10.59	22.37	47.94	66.33	101.26	105.53	119.43	140.74	286.85	91.09
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	0.30	1.92	3.48	7.76	6.62	9.44	10.18	6.57	7.88	13.54	6.77
Other capital housing costs	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Superannuation and life insurance	0.51	1.25	2.80	5.80	10.42	14.60	16.50	18.17	20.39	29.97	12.04
Proportion of total expenditure on commodities and services (%)											
Commodity or service											
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	18.2	16.6	13.8	14.3	17.2	13.7	13.4	14.1	10.4	9.6	13.2
Fuel and power	5.5	4.4	4.2	3.4	3.6	2.8	2.8	2.9	2.7	2.6	3.3
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	23.7	21.8	22.1	22.2	20.8	19.3	19.8	18.8	18.4	18.0	19.8
Alcoholic beverages	2.0	2.1	2.6	2.9	3.1	2.7	3.0	2.9	3.0	3.5	3.0
Tobacco	2.1	2.8	2.8	2.2	2.1	1.6	1.6	1.5	1.8	0.9	1.8
Clothing and footwear	5.5	5.8	6.9	5.9	5.6	5.4	6.8	7.8	6.4	8.1	6.7
Household furnishings and equipment	5.2	6.9	6.6	7.2	6.3	7.7	7.9	6.6	8.0	7.2	7.2
Household services and operation	6.1	5.8	4.6	4.1	4.5	4.5	3.7	3.9	4.2	3.7	4.2
Medical care and health expenses	3.7	3.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.4	4.6	3.9	3.5	4.1	4.1
Transport	11.4	9.8	13.4	15.6	15.0	16.2	15.6	15.7	19.8	16.3	15.8
Recreation	10.7	11.0	11.7	10.2	9.2	13.1	12.7	13.0	11.8	16.4	12.6
Personal care	2.7	2.0	1.9	1.7	1.4	1.6	1.7	2.1	1.8	2.3	1.9
Miscellaneous commodities and services	3.0	7.7	5.1	6.0	6.9	6.0	6.4	6.6	6.5	8.0	6.6
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	100.0

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 TABLE 13: HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME DECILE GROUP(a), MELBOURNE — continued

Household characteristics	Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution (\$)										All house-holds
	Lowest 10%	Second decile	Third decile	Fourth decile	Fifth decile	Sixth decile	Seventh decile	Eighth decile	Ninth decile	Highest 10%	
Average weekly household income \$(d)	92.75	155.85	225.46	316.70	389.41	483.80	563.33	659.40	792.66	1,243.97	492.49
Proportion of total income being:											
Wages and salaries	%	4.5	32.2	72.3	77.9	82.2	82.0	83.7	85.4	78.4	74.7
Own business	%	1.9	4.9	7.1	7.8	6.1	4.3	1.9	4.7	10.4	6.3
Government pensions and benefits	%	82.3	75.8	38.9	12.1	6.3	3.1	3.1	2.6	1.2	9.1
Other	%	*12.8	*14.7	*21.8	*7.8	*9.8	*8.2	*11.3	*7.3	*10.0	9.8
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average age of household head (years)	64.61	59.26	53.14	43.35	40.74	41.16	42.11	43.81	43.00	43.24	47.43
Average number of persons per household:											
Under 18 years	No.	0.12	0.35	0.62	1.22	1.01	1.08	0.90	0.89	1.03	0.82
18 to 64 years	No.	0.47	0.95	1.32	1.74	1.81	2.03	2.06	2.37	2.77	1.75
65 years and over	No.	0.61	0.77	0.53	0.10	0.09	0.06	0.18	0.10	0.05	0.26
Total	No.	1.19	2.07	2.47	3.06	2.91	3.17	3.15	3.36	3.86	2.83
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:											
Owned outright	%	58.9	54.0	51.6	30.6	22.7	36.6	33.9	38.3	38.7	39.2
Being bought	%	5.4	19.3	21.0	38.4	42.0	46.6	44.0	46.0	42.8	35.7
Renting—government	%	*7.1	*6.0	*2.9	*4.2	*3.5	*0.0	*1.3	*0.7	*0.0	2.6
Renting—private	%	25.9	19.2	23.8	25.5	28.6	15.2	20.8	14.3	16.0	20.7
Occupied rent-free	%	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	1.7
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average number of employed persons in household (number)(e)	0.11	0.23	0.56	1.02	1.17	1.46	1.64	1.68	2.13	2.52	1.25
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:											
Married couple:											
— only	%	3.0	47.3	33.8	11.6	13.7	22.4	25.3	23.8	15.9	21.5
— with dependent children only	%	4.2	10.8	22.4	46.0	46.1	42.8	35.6	28.1	30.2	30.8
— other	%	0.0	2.4	6.5	5.0	7.4	11.8	16.1	33.4	38.8	13.7
Single parent one family household only	%	*3.1	*11.7	*7.4	*3.7	*3.9	*1.4	*4.3	*3.1	*0.7	4.3
Single person household	%	88.3	19.3	20.5	24.8	19.1	9.3	4.5	1.6	0.8	19.8
Other(f)	%	*1.5	*8.4	*9.4	*8.9	*9.8	*12.4	*14.2	*10.0	*13.5	9.9
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Number of households in sample	130	131	133	129	135	134	133	131	134	135	1,325
Estimated total number in population:											
Households	('000)	94.2	93.9	95.7	93.7	95.7	95.0	93.5	94.5	94.8	945.3
Persons	('000)	112.5	194.2	236.2	286.8	279.0	301.4	294.2	317.0	365.6	2,673.9

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TABLE 14: HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME DECILE GROUP(a), BRISBANE

Broad expenditure group(b)	Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution (\$)										All household holds
	0-112 Lowest 10%	113-177 Second decile	178-249 Third decile	250-326 Fourth decile	327-390 Fifth decile	391-465 Sixth decile	466-557 Seventh decile	558-649 Eighth decile	650-823 Ninth decile	824 and over	
Average weekly household expenditure (\$)(c)											
Commodity or service	25.77	28.11	34.28	55.54	47.09	57.57	55.37	54.73	66.64	63.53	48.86
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	6.19	7.73	7.59	7.94	9.35	9.40	9.79	10.03	10.95	12.01	9.10
Fuel and power	29.92	44.54	49.37	57.24	59.58	72.67	78.03	86.36	88.67	118.38	68.45
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	3.80	4.35	3.34	9.08	10.21	12.68	15.58	18.07	15.24	24.85	11.72
Alcoholic beverages	2.25	3.40	2.85	4.99	5.06	5.24	5.55	6.18	4.68	7.00	4.72
Tobacco	3.22	8.08	8.73	12.91	18.86	12.55	19.67	24.27	30.06	50.12	18.83
Clothing and footwear	7.46	13.47	10.64	15.57	18.49	26.98	29.23	26.02	52.14	38.03	23.79
Household furnishings and equipment	9.39	10.63	11.23	10.50	14.48	16.24	16.74	15.16	21.82	24.48	15.06
Household services and operation	4.17	6.74	6.82	10.92	10.69	17.29	13.09	13.51	14.85	24.69	12.28
Medical care and health expenses	13.08	27.52	31.20	44.48	58.28	57.37	71.54	71.63	81.90	142.57	59.93
Transport	12.56	18.88	20.85	28.21	42.01	43.60	39.50	58.46	61.14	86.50	41.17
Recreation	2.00	4.55	3.76	4.54	5.67	6.67	7.77	7.64	11.88	13.00	6.74
Personal care	6.75	9.07	9.91	17.68	29.25	24.48	27.10	33.68	42.43	83.19	28.35
Miscellaneous commodities and services											
Total commodity or service expenditure	126.57	187.09	200.57	279.60	329.02	362.73	388.97	425.74	502.39	688.36	349.01
Selected other payments											
Income tax	8.47	8.06	14.42	46.00	63.34	70.90	90.69	110.16	132.48	230.62	77.48
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	1.48	1.39	2.33	5.10	6.55	7.26	7.84	11.75	11.31	13.32	6.83
Other capital housing costs	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Supernnuation and life insurance	1.68	0.31	2.56	5.07	8.89	15.28	14.67	18.16	26.14	32.69	12.54
Commodity or service	20.4	15.0	17.1	19.9	14.3	15.9	14.2	12.9	13.3	9.2	14.0
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	4.9	4.1	3.8	2.8	2.8	2.6	2.5	2.4	2.2	1.7	2.6
Fuel and power	23.6	23.8	24.6	20.5	18.1	20.0	20.1	20.3	17.6	17.2	19.6
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	3.0	2.3	1.7	3.2	3.1	3.5	4.0	4.2	3.0	3.6	3.4
Alcoholic beverages	1.8	1.8	1.4	1.8	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.5	0.9	1.0	1.4
Tobacco	2.5	4.3	4.4	4.6	5.7	3.5	5.1	5.7	6.0	7.3	5.4
Clothing and footwear	5.9	7.2	5.3	5.6	5.6	7.4	7.5	6.1	10.4	5.5	6.8
Household furnishings and equipment	7.4	5.7	5.6	3.8	4.4	4.5	4.3	3.6	4.3	3.6	4.3
Household services and operation	3.3	3.6	3.4	3.9	3.2	4.8	3.4	3.2	3.0	3.6	3.5
Medical care and health expenses	10.3	14.7	15.6	15.9	17.7	15.8	18.4	16.8	16.3	20.7	17.2
Transport	9.9	10.1	10.4	10.1	12.8	12.0	10.2	13.7	12.2	12.6	11.8
Recreation	1.6	2.4	1.9	1.6	1.7	1.8	2.0	1.8	2.4	1.9	1.9
Personal care	5.3	4.8	4.9	6.3	8.9	6.7	7.0	7.9	8.4	12.1	8.1
Miscellaneous commodities and services											
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	100.0

Proportion of total expenditure on commodities and services (%)

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TABLE 14: HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME DECILE GROUP(a), BRISBANE — continued

Household characteristics	Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution (\$)										All house-holds
	Lowest 10%	Second decile	Third decile	Fourth decile	Fifth decile	Sixth decile	Seventh decile	Eighth decile	Ninth decile	Highest 10%	
Average weekly household income (\$)(d)	83.57	154.25	208.25	292.60	356.83	428.56	506.90	598.06	722.29	1,134.84	448.41
Proportion of total income being:											
Wages and salaries	%	3.4	21.0	76.9	74.2	76.7	81.3	84.9	89.8	78.6	74.2
Own business	%	5.1	7.8	1.4	5.7	12.6	4.8	4.4	3.2	11.9	7.0
Government pensions and benefits	%	85.9	78.6	53.2	11.8	7.1	7.1	4.4	1.9	1.5	10.8
Other	%	*8.6	*15.5	*18.0	*9.9	*5.2	*6.8	*6.3	*5.1	*7.9	8.0
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average age of household head (years)		63.26	54.33	42.60	42.27	40.83	40.35	39.69	39.59	43.72	46.34
Average number of persons per household:	No.	0.15	0.38	0.80	1.06	1.27	1.30	1.18	0.98	0.98	0.92
Under 18 years	No.	0.54	0.95	1.15	1.54	1.86	2.00	2.06	2.21	2.91	1.69
18 to 64 years	No.	0.62	0.78	0.65	0.16	0.09	0.12	0.11	0.06	0.04	0.28
65 years and over	No.	1.32	2.11	2.59	2.77	3.22	3.43	3.36	3.25	3.93	2.89
Total	No.										
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:	%										
Owned outright	%	68.9	55.3	55.9	26.7	28.4	28.8	28.7	28.3	31.8	38.8
Being bought	%	8.1	12.8	17.0	35.5	37.6	39.2	45.7	48.7	54.9	33.9
Renting—government	%	*3.8	*7.1	*2.2	*10.4	*6.1	*2.9	*3.0	*1.7	*0.0	4.6
Renting—private	%	12.9	21.3	22.4	26.2	24.9	28.3	19.7	21.4	13.2	20.8
Occupied rent-free	%	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	1.8
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average number of employed persons in household (number)(e)		0.18	0.10	0.48	0.93	1.32	1.51	1.78	1.99	2.69	1.21
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:											
Married couple:											
— only	%	5.7	48.6	34.6	16.5	14.2	15.3	15.5	24.5	18.5	21.4
— with dependent children only	%	8.2	9.2	24.1	38.9	51.0	44.5	46.9	35.9	22.0	32.2
— other	%	*1.2	*1.8	*3.9	*3.4	*11.3	*12.3	*16.5	*16.4	*42.0	11.4
Single parent one family household only	%	*1.3	*13.6	*9.5	*7.0	*3.0	*3.0	*0.0	*3.9	*1.2	4.9
Single person household	%	83.7	14.6	16.5	30.2	12.2	5.5	4.0	0.9	1.9	18.9
Other(f)	%	*0.0	*12.3	*11.4	*3.9	*7.8	*19.5	*17.1	*18.4	*14.4	11.2
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Number of households in sample		91	90	90	90	95	95	91	97	96	929
Estimated total number in population:											
Households	('000)	37.9	37.7	37.3	37.8	38.1	37.1	37.6	37.5	37.7	376.3
Persons	('000)	49.8	79.7	96.8	104.5	122.6	127.4	126.1	121.9	148.1	1,087.8

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TABLE 15: HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME DECILE GROUP(a), ADELAIDE

Broad expenditure group(b)	Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution (\$)										All household holds
	0-109	110-161	162-211	212-294	295-362	363-450	451-522	523-635	636-815	816 and over	
	Average weekly household expenditure (\$)(c)										
Commodity or service											
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	20.91	21.98	28.37	40.32	38.37	44.07	50.40	50.93	55.68	52.23	40.33
Fuel and power	5.23	7.74	8.22	9.57	9.65	10.25	11.66	10.69	12.49	18.16	10.37
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	26.40	38.67	48.99	54.17	60.58	65.24	77.08	76.53	86.64	110.65	64.55
Alcoholic beverages	4.00	3.77	6.17	7.00	7.73	11.12	15.86	12.78	21.92	30.20	12.06
Tobacco	2.40	4.55	3.94	6.78	6.58	6.76	7.28	6.29	7.23	6.39	5.82
Clothing and footwear	9.34	8.89	13.54	17.02	19.37	19.60	26.09	24.97	31.59	46.15	21.67
Household furnishings and equipment	8.00	11.79	14.31	18.70	29.04	32.25	34.62	46.57	66.06	47.10	30.86
Household services and operation	8.00	8.76	10.23	14.96	13.56	12.58	16.72	16.74	17.33	24.65	14.36
Medical care and health expenses	5.33	3.77	7.14	9.88	14.51	13.36	15.22	18.05	18.95	25.00	13.13
Transport	8.97	18.20	24.30	35.46	61.55	56.02	57.52	65.44	78.82	124.31	53.10
Recreation	12.76	20.48	19.27	29.03	31.66	34.38	39.90	47.23	67.71	74.18	37.68
Personal care	2.37	4.33	5.18	6.18	6.56	7.75	8.09	8.26	8.01	14.32	7.11
Miscellaneous commodities and services	5.63	5.87	10.87	15.83	22.22	16.82	27.40	24.37	37.68	42.88	20.96
Total commodity or service expenditure	119.34	158.79	200.52	264.90	321.39	330.21	387.83	408.86	510.11	616.22	332.01
Selected other payments											
Income tax	4.42	9.33	8.33	29.35	51.15	72.72	79.44	111.86	132.84	229.62	72.99
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	3.95	0.60	2.26	3.78	6.54	5.98	9.38	9.82	5.41	12.58	6.03
Other capital housing costs		*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	13.70
Superannuation and life insurance	0.56	1.08	1.52	3.27	6.29	11.21	13.83	16.05	25.96	30.38	11.03
	Proportion of total expenditure on commodities and services (%)										
Commodity or service											
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	17.5	13.8	14.1	15.2	11.9	13.3	13.0	12.5	10.9	8.5	12.1
Fuel and power	4.4	4.9	4.1	3.6	3.0	3.1	3.0	2.6	2.4	2.9	3.1
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	22.1	24.4	24.4	20.4	18.8	19.8	19.9	18.7	17.0	18.0	19.4
Alcoholic beverages	3.4	2.4	3.1	2.6	2.4	3.4	4.1	3.1	4.3	4.9	3.6
Tobacco	2.0	2.9	2.0	2.6	2.0	2.0	1.9	1.5	1.4	1.0	1.8
Clothing and footwear	7.8	5.6	6.8	6.4	6.0	6.7	6.7	6.1	6.2	7.5	6.5
Household furnishings and equipment	6.7	7.4	7.1	7.1	9.0	9.8	8.9	11.4	13.0	7.6	9.3
Household services and operation	6.7	5.5	5.1	5.6	4.2	3.8	4.3	4.1	3.4	4.0	4.3
Medical care and health expenses	4.5	2.4	3.6	3.7	4.5	4.0	3.9	4.4	3.7	4.1	4.0
Transport	7.5	11.5	12.1	13.4	19.2	17.0	14.8	16.0	15.5	20.2	16.0
Recreation	10.7	12.9	9.6	11.0	9.8	10.4	10.3	11.6	13.3	12.0	11.3
Personal care	2.0	2.7	2.6	2.3	2.0	2.3	2.1	2.0	1.6	2.3	2.1
Miscellaneous commodities and services	4.7	3.7	5.4	6.0	6.9	5.1	7.1	6.0	7.4	7.0	6.3
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	100.0

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TABLE 15: HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME DECILE GROUP(a), ADELAIDE — continued

Household characteristics	Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution (\$)										All household-holds
	Lowest 10%	Second decile	Third decile	Fourth decile	Fifth decile	Sixth decile	Seventh decile	Eighth decile	Ninth decile	Highest 10%	
Average weekly household income (\$)(d)	91.10	140.02	184.21	252.50	325.69	404.64	485.13	575.35	719.44	1,096.57	427.94
Proportion of total income being:											
Wages and salaries	0.7	3.4	9.3	40.4	67.8	79.4	81.6	86.3	85.9	82.9	72.2
Own business	0.9	2.3	3.9	6.8	5.9	6.2	6.7	4.3	5.2	7.1	5.7
Government pensions and benefits	91.1	84.8	75.4	33.5	13.6	7.5	6.0	3.2	3.3	1.4	13.8
Other	*7.3	*9.6	*11.4	*19.4	*12.7	*6.9	*5.7	*6.1	*5.6	*8.6	8.3
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average age of household head (years)	61.78	54.85	54.89	45.85	42.79	41.60	41.35	39.48	41.82	46.60	47.10
Average number of persons per household:											
Under 18 years	0.09	0.43	0.58	0.84	1.08	1.06	0.99	0.97	1.07	0.61	0.77
18 to 64 years	0.51	0.74	1.14	1.65	1.80	1.77	1.96	2.14	2.22	2.61	1.66
65 years and over	0.57	0.70	0.61	0.32	0.16	0.14	0.14	0.04	0.11	0.14	0.29
Total	1.16	1.86	2.33	2.82	3.04	2.98	3.10	3.15	3.41	3.36	2.72
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:											
Owned outright	44.4	42.6	48.4	38.7	37.2	32.8	17.6	26.6	28.4	34.5	35.1
Being bought	11.9	9.7	19.4	23.3	40.2	44.9	57.5	50.9	45.1	55.9	35.9
Renting—government	*17.8	*29.7	*13.9	*13.9	*7.2	*4.1	*6.6	*3.7	*8.1	*0.0	10.5
Renting—private	21.4	17.0	18.3	23.1	13.5	18.2	17.4	17.7	17.5	9.6	17.3
Occupied rent-free	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	1.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average number of employed persons in household (number)(e)	0.10	0.10	0.24	0.61	1.05	1.34	1.45	1.83	2.04	2.47	1.12
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:											
Married couple:											
— only	4.4	38.1	44.0	26.6	16.5	10.3	21.5	28.6	19.0	24.2	23.4
— with dependent children only	2.2	4.8	17.3	35.6	43.8	46.2	38.8	36.9	33.2	20.8	27.9
— other	*0.0	*0.0	*2.4	*10.4	*6.6	*9.9	*17.1	*18.1	*26.0	*39.6	13.0
Single parent one family household only	*3.4	*25.8	*14.6	*3.2	*4.1	*4.1	*3.3	*0.9	*1.0	*0.0	6.3
Single person household	88.9	30.5	13.4	12.7	15.9	16.1	8.2	4.1	3.8	2.8	19.5
Other(f)	*1.1	*0.8	*8.3	*11.4	*11.2	*13.4	*11.1	*11.3	*17.1	*12.6	9.8
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Number of households in sample	83	87	84	86	86	90	90	89	82	86	863
Estimated total number in population:											
Households	33.6	34.4	35.1	34.0	34.0	34.2	34.1	34.5	34.2	34.4	342.5
Persons	39.1	64.2	81.6	95.9	103.4	101.9	105.6	108.5	116.4	115.6	932.2

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TABLE 16: HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME DECILE GROUP(a), PERTH

Broad expenditure group(b)	Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution (\$)										All household-holds
	0-111	112-179	180-245	246-325	326-396	397-466	467-547	548-653	656-836	Highest 10%	
Average weekly household expenditure \$(c)											
Commodity or service	24.42	19.38	30.66	45.78	49.19	47.83	58.84	59.23	66.16	69.12	47.03
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	5.90	7.75	8.45	9.66	9.95	11.06	11.60	11.63	13.39	16.73	10.61
Fuel and power	29.88	43.90	49.03	61.46	66.36	65.72	78.63	76.44	90.00	129.50	69.07
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	2.53	5.39	7.49	11.26	10.84	12.65	11.58	13.02	19.47	30.87	12.51
Alcoholic beverages	3.03	2.92	6.51	5.45	5.44	6.15	6.57	6.96	5.62	9.17	5.78
Tobacco	5.61	9.92	11.72	12.90	17.42	21.92	28.49	24.43	32.18	52.10	21.67
Clothing and footwear	10.36	15.58	31.09	28.14	19.02	23.24	33.65	30.95	42.41	50.53	28.46
Household furnishings and equipment	7.64	10.76	12.44	15.00	14.93	16.63	16.56	18.23	19.91	26.68	15.88
Household services and operation	3.42	4.85	6.25	11.60	13.18	14.16	15.16	16.35	16.58	26.05	12.76
Medical care and health expenses	12.34	27.96	52.51	43.67	54.69	53.25	71.85	81.13	101.47	123.88	62.28
Transport	12.74	26.35	30.87	28.07	36.08	44.44	49.80	55.84	64.04	109.51	45.79
Recreation	2.06	4.09	3.86	6.40	6.95	5.97	6.31	8.85	9.27	12.35	6.61
Personal care	5.48	8.91	10.93	19.84	17.60	24.24	30.96	25.95	32.13	76.56	25.25
Miscellaneous commodities and services											
Total commodity or service expenditure	125.41	187.74	261.82	299.22	321.66	347.25	420.01	429.01	512.64	733.06	363.70
Selected other payments											
Income tax	8.56	12.07	26.24	42.29	57.76	75.74	90.32	115.24	143.76	259.53	83.17
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	1.95	1.42	1.61	4.87	8.01	8.62	13.37	12.19	15.08	14.93	8.20
Other capital housing costs	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	24.67
Supernnuation and life insurance	1.64	0.53	2.40	6.32	8.62	13.76	16.05	18.00	21.03	32.39	12.07
Proportion of total expenditure on commodities and services (%)											
Commodity or service	19.5	10.3	11.7	15.3	15.3	13.8	14.0	13.8	12.9	9.4	12.9
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	4.7	4.1	3.2	3.2	3.1	3.2	2.8	2.7	2.6	2.3	2.9
Fuel and power	23.8	23.4	18.7	20.5	20.6	18.9	18.7	17.8	17.6	17.7	19.0
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	2.0	2.9	2.9	3.8	3.4	3.6	2.8	3.0	3.8	4.2	3.4
Alcoholic beverages	2.4	1.6	2.5	1.8	1.7	1.8	1.6	1.6	1.1	1.3	1.6
Tobacco	4.5	5.3	4.5	4.3	5.4	6.3	6.8	5.7	6.3	7.1	6.0
Clothing and footwear	8.3	8.3	11.9	9.4	5.9	6.7	8.0	7.2	8.3	6.9	7.8
Household furnishings and equipment	6.1	5.7	4.8	5.0	4.6	4.8	3.9	4.2	3.9	3.6	4.4
Household services and operation	2.7	2.6	2.4	3.9	4.1	4.1	3.6	3.8	3.2	3.6	3.5
Medical care and health expenses	9.8	14.9	20.1	14.6	17.0	15.3	17.1	18.9	19.8	16.9	17.1
Transport	10.2	14.0	11.8	9.4	11.2	12.8	11.9	13.0	12.5	14.9	12.6
Recreation	1.6	2.2	1.5	2.1	2.2	1.7	1.5	1.7	1.8	1.7	1.8
Personal care	4.4	4.7	4.2	6.6	5.5	7.0	7.4	6.0	6.3	10.4	6.9
Miscellaneous commodities and services											
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	100.0

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 TABLE 16: HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME DECILE GROUP(a), PERTH—continued

Household characteristics	Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution (\$)										All household-holds
	Lowest 10%	Second decile	Third decile	Fourth decile	Fifth decile	Sixth decile	Seventh decile	Eighth decile	Ninth decile	Highest 10%	
Average weekly household income (b)(d)	86.27	152.15	207.35	289.64	363.07	430.44	507.72	598.05	738.15	1,147.89	452.08
Proportion of total income being:											
Wages and salaries	2.0	2.7	18.0	67.8	76.3	81.7	80.3	84.8	87.0	77.8	73.4
Own business	2.7	4.0	7.6	6.4	8.5	7.0	7.5	6.0	4.3	8.6	6.8
Government pensions and benefits	87.9	81.1	57.3	12.5	8.8	6.0	5.5	3.7	3.7	1.1	11.0
Other	*7.3	*12.2	*17.1	*13.3	*6.4	*5.3	*6.8	*6.5	*5.0	*12.5	8.8
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average age of household head (years)	59.07	58.33	51.93	42.64	38.81	41.02	40.03	39.39	39.41	42.35	45.31
Average number of persons per household:											
Under 18 years	No. 0.10	0.47	0.69	0.83	1.06	1.09	1.16	0.99	1.23	0.90	0.85
18 to 64 years	No. 0.65	0.91	1.34	1.61	1.82	1.78	1.96	2.07	2.33	2.58	1.71
65 years and over	No. 0.47	0.73	0.46	0.25	0.09	0.12	0.07	0.06	0.04	0.08	0.24
Total	No. 1.21	2.10	2.49	2.70	2.97	2.99	3.18	3.12	3.60	3.56	2.79
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:											
Owned outright	% 43.9	56.5	47.2	37.4	23.0	18.3	19.3	20.6	22.3	29.0	31.7
Being bought	% 12.8	9.6	16.5	30.6	46.0	57.3	59.6	61.1	62.1	62.5	41.8
Renting—government	% *10.9	*13.5	*11.6	*3.5	*4.9	*3.2	*1.3	*2.0	*0.0	*0.0	5.1
Renting—private	% 23.4	13.4	22.6	23.7	23.1	18.4	15.5	15.3	15.6	8.5	17.9
Occupied rent-free	% *	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	3.4
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average number of employed persons in household (number)(e)	0.14	0.12	0.47	0.94	1.24	1.37	1.56	1.72	2.05	2.49	1.21
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:											
Married couple:											
— only	% 2.1	49.1	35.6	29.8	18.8	19.1	19.9	30.5	25.9	22.1	25.3
— with dependent children only	% 5.4	8.5	21.4	35.7	38.5	39.2	43.8	36.2	36.1	22.8	28.7
— other	% *1.2	*1.1	*1.9	*9.4	*10.4	*7.1	*14.8	*17.8	*28.7	*39.4	13.2
Single parent one family household only	% *1.9	*15.5	*12.8	*3.3	*4.4	*2.0	*1.1	*2.0	*2.4	*0.0	4.6
Single person household	% 88.2	17.4	13.8	19.8	17.6	18.4	8.8	5.4	0.0	1.1	19.1
Other(f)	% *1.2	*8.3	*14.5	*2.1	*10.2	*14.1	*11.6	*8.1	*6.9	*14.6	9.2
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Number of households in sample	89	90	89	89	92	89	89	90	90	85	892
Estimated total number in population:											
Households	('000) 34.1	34.1	34.5	33.1	34.9	34.4	33.5	34.3	33.9	34.3	341.1
Persons	('000) 41.4	71.8	85.9	89.4	103.4	103.1	106.5	107.2	122.0	122.0	952.8

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 TABLE 17: HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME DECILE GROUP(s), HOBART

Broad expenditure group(b)	Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution (\$)										All house-holds
	0-115 Lowest 10%	116-174 Second decile	175-230 Third decile	231-318 Fourth decile	319-372 Fifth decile	373-459 Sixth decile	460-539 Seventh decile	540-651 Eighth decile	652-782 Ninth decile	783 and over Highest 10%	
Average weekly household expenditure \$(c)											
Commodity or service	17.40	23.59	26.29	41.75	41.05	44.28	51.51	47.56	64.03	73.70	43.13
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	5.42	8.85	10.32	9.68	9.54	14.58	13.23	11.98	12.97	19.17	11.58
Fuel and power	24.08	46.90	57.82	52.55	56.43	77.83	73.17	80.76	85.01	108.60	66.31
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	1.70	3.91	5.06	8.77	7.41	13.08	12.06	16.97	24.16	25.84	11.90
Alcoholic beverages	3.08	3.09	6.28	7.23	5.84	8.17	6.27	10.12	6.80	4.49	6.13
Tobacco	6.11	10.30	16.56	21.98	16.14	24.71	19.09	29.48	44.05	61.42	25.00
Clothing and footwear	8.15	14.64	16.95	13.52	31.77	18.87	29.78	26.56	32.34	53.46	24.62
Household furnishings and equipment	7.20	9.58	10.64	13.96	15.20	14.58	13.33	20.18	17.68	21.42	14.37
Household services and operation	2.44	5.35	5.46	11.43	11.86	14.20	14.43	16.65	23.97	23.63	12.94
Medical care and health expenses	10.57	21.52	30.91	29.26	39.16	44.95	62.90	88.98	104.76	120.21	55.34
Transport	16.17	16.63	46.69	38.82	36.30	41.97	48.72	67.11	63.45	122.88	49.91
Recreation	1.82	2.91	3.00	4.68	6.92	5.42	6.03	6.81	9.74	16.99	6.44
Personal care	3.86	10.92	10.60	17.92	18.27	17.17	21.14	26.50	32.13	59.14	21.79
Miscellaneous commodities and services	108.02	178.19	246.59	271.57	295.88	339.80	371.65	449.65	521.09	710.95	349.46
Total commodity or service expenditure											
Selected other payments	2.04	6.09	14.79	40.11	50.59	75.45	90.74	111.44	131.76	233.29	75.72
Income tax	*0.30	*1.00	*1.03	*9.14	*4.37	*11.27	*9.78	*7.69	*8.50	*12.63	6.57
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)											*14.93
Other capital housing costs											14.08
Superannuation and life insurance	0.28	2.22	1.06	4.82	9.78	11.73	17.25	22.81	24.81	45.81	
Commodity or service	16.1	13.2	10.7	15.4	13.9	13.0	13.9	10.6	12.3	10.4	12.3
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	5.0	5.0	4.2	3.6	3.2	4.3	3.6	2.7	2.5	2.7	3.3
Fuel and power	22.3	26.3	23.4	19.4	19.1	22.9	19.7	18.0	16.3	15.3	19.0
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	1.6	2.2	2.1	3.2	2.5	3.8	3.2	3.8	4.6	3.6	3.4
Alcoholic beverages	2.9	1.7	2.5	2.7	2.0	2.4	1.7	2.2	1.3	0.6	1.8
Tobacco	5.7	5.8	6.7	8.1	5.5	7.3	5.1	6.6	8.5	8.6	7.2
Clothing and footwear	7.5	8.2	6.9	5.0	10.7	5.6	8.0	5.9	6.2	7.5	7.0
Household furnishings and equipment	6.7	5.4	4.3	5.1	5.1	4.3	3.6	4.5	3.4	3.0	4.1
Household services and operation	2.3	3.0	2.2	4.2	4.0	4.2	3.9	3.7	4.6	3.3	3.7
Medical care and health expenses	9.8	12.1	12.5	10.8	13.2	13.2	16.9	19.8	20.1	16.9	15.8
Transport	15.0	9.3	18.9	14.3	12.3	12.3	13.1	14.9	12.2	17.3	14.3
Recreation	1.7	1.6	1.2	1.7	2.3	1.6	1.6	1.5	1.9	2.4	1.8
Personal care	3.6	6.1	4.3	6.6	6.2	5.1	5.7	5.9	6.2	8.3	6.2
Miscellaneous commodities and services	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Total commodity or service expenditure											

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 TABLE 17: HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME DECILE GROUP(a), HOBART—continued

Household characteristics	Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution (\$)										All house-holds
	Lowest 10%	Second decile	Third decile	Fourth decile	Fifth decile	Sixth decile	Seventh decile	Eighth decile	Ninth decile	Highest 10%	
Average weekly household income \$(d)	92.04	151.24	201.98	279.60	341.83	415.81	499.63	588.70	718.93	1,139.92	443.34
Proportion of total income being:											
Wages and salaries	0.6	5.5	14.8	65.1	58.6	72.5	87.3	87.2	87.7	75.7	71.5
Own business	0.0	5.4	1.1	3.7	5.1	6.3	1.7	5.7	6.4	14.1	7.1
Government pensions and benefits	93.0	79.8	65.2	18.2	20.9	8.4	6.0	4.5	1.7	1.2	13.0
Other	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	8.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average age of household head (years)	61.47	55.04	52.68	44.54	48.14	43.29	40.52	38.88	38.29	43.23	46.62
Average number of persons per household:											
Under 18 years	0.05	0.56	0.87	0.82	0.64	0.85	0.89	1.02	0.86	0.83	0.74
18 to 64 years	0.54	1.00	1.36	1.53	1.51	1.94	1.87	2.35	2.34	2.66	1.71
65 years and over	*0.49	*0.73	*0.49	*0.28	*0.29	*0.15	*0.08	*0.00	*0.02	*0.04	0.26
Total	1.08	2.29	2.71	2.63	2.44	2.93	2.85	3.37	3.21	3.53	2.70
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:											
Owned outright	43.6	51.2	42.2	39.1	38.1	22.0	23.6	23.4	13.6	29.2	32.6
Being bought	4.7	15.0	17.9	34.6	38.4	56.9	52.6	59.0	57.1	65.1	40.1
Renting—government	*	*	*	*4.7	*	*	*	*	*	*	8.4
Renting—private	*22.0	*9.8	*22.4	*21.6	*14.8	*12.6	*19.1	*14.4	*26.1	*5.7	16.9
Occupied rent-free	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	2.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average number of employed persons in household (number)(e)	0.02	0.21	0.26	0.91	0.73	1.22	1.45	1.91	2.10	2.35	1.12
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:											
Married couple:											
— only	*	45.7	35.6	23.6	32.8	29.0	21.9	21.4	16.0	16.2	24.2
— with dependent children only	*	18.1	26.7	28.9	20.7	44.0	39.5	43.3	27.1	37.3	28.5
— other	*0.0	*0.0	*6.9	*4.3	*9.6	*9.3	*5.8	*19.6	*30.9	*39.0	12.5
Single parent one family household only		*16.9	*	*7.9	*	*	*4.8	*	*	*	5.0
Single person household	*91.5	*12.3	*13.2	*23.8	*27.8	*2.3	*13.9	*3.9	*2.4	*0.0	19.2
Other(f)	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	10.5
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Number of households in sample	52	56	54	58	53	55	57	52	55	54	546
Estimated total number in population:											
Households	('000)	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.9	6.0	5.9	5.9	6.0	59.4
Persons	('000)	6.5	13.6	16.1	15.6	14.4	17.1	19.8	19.1	21.2	160.6

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TABLE 18: HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME DECILE GROUP(a), DARWIN

Broad expenditure group(b)	Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution (\$)										All household holds
	0-245 Lowest 10%	246-329 Second decile	330-405 Third decile	406-484 Fourth decile	485-547 Fifth decile	548-632 Sixth decile	633-707 Seventh decile	708-801 Eighth decile	802-987 Ninth decile	988 and over Highest 10%	
	Average weekly household expenditure \$(c)										
Commodity or service											
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	48.42	60.27	69.36	63.92	75.99	60.18	78.95	80.74	82.36	90.61	71.02
Fuel and power	6.47	7.63	8.99	9.90	10.76	9.84	10.06	11.78	11.47	14.98	10.19
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	53.48	58.40	84.43	79.64	91.25	86.15	109.86	104.78	107.58	132.05	90.76
Alcoholic beverages	10.22	22.95	16.90	27.59	23.21	27.18	34.94	24.70	24.65	41.10	25.36
Tobacco	7.13	9.19	7.91	11.57	9.25	7.21	16.56	9.01	9.07	6.74	9.36
Clothing and footwear	7.47	11.84	14.51	14.54	16.28	17.96	19.82	21.69	26.03	22.72	17.28
Household furnishings and equipment	14.94	24.06	30.06	30.93	37.91	37.95	38.18	39.57	33.46	50.00	33.70
Household services and operation	13.46	15.02	17.36	15.73	23.68	18.77	25.56	27.22	35.89	39.77	23.22
Medical care and health expenses	5.59	8.13	34.18	11.85	13.85	14.00	15.11	16.25	22.81	20.23	16.23
Transport	17.64	40.58	83.78	56.20	55.07	84.93	135.10	75.17	84.64	92.21	72.61
Recreation	27.02	-3.81	1.25	80.50	65.04	62.99	87.80	64.46	83.29	117.01	58.67
Personal care	2.33	4.72	5.98	5.51	7.41	8.27	8.74	9.91	9.91	10.93	6.94
Miscellaneous commodities and services	7.66	17.85	32.61	44.04	28.74	26.39	41.97	43.43	42.03	44.58	33.00
Total commodity or service expenditure	221.83	276.83	407.35	451.93	458.42	459.27	622.19	527.55	573.18	682.94	468.33
Selected other payments											
Income tax	16.56	38.55	61.06	69.50	95.94	105.67	110.56	132.62	178.80	306.06	111.57
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	*1.53	*2.51	*2.85	*2.63	*4.44	*4.04	*3.75	*5.69	*10.62	*13.35	5.14
Other capital housing costs	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*32.44
Superannuation and life insurance	1.13	5.29	19.82	12.45	19.87	20.40	21.00	26.22	31.18	55.38	21.28
	Proportion of total expenditure on commodities and services (%)										
Commodity or service											
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	21.8	21.8	17.0	14.1	16.6	13.1	12.7	15.3	14.4	13.3	15.2
Fuel and power	2.9	2.8	2.2	2.2	2.3	2.1	1.6	2.2	2.0	2.2	2.2
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	24.1	21.1	20.7	17.6	19.9	18.8	17.7	19.9	18.8	19.3	19.4
Alcoholic beverages	4.6	8.3	4.1	6.1	5.1	5.9	5.6	4.7	4.3	6.0	5.4
Tobacco	3.2	3.3	1.9	2.6	2.0	1.6	2.7	1.7	1.6	1.0	2.0
Clothing and footwear	3.4	4.3	3.6	3.2	3.6	3.9	3.2	4.1	4.5	3.3	3.7
Household furnishings and equipment	6.7	8.7	7.4	6.8	8.3	8.3	6.1	7.5	5.8	7.3	7.2
Household services and operation	6.1	5.4	4.3	3.5	5.2	4.1	4.1	5.2	6.3	5.8	5.0
Medical care and health expenses	2.5	2.9	8.4	2.6	3.0	3.0	2.4	3.1	4.0	3.0	3.5
Transport	8.0	14.7	20.6	12.4	12.0	18.5	21.7	14.2	14.8	13.5	15.5
Recreation	12.2	-1.4	0.3	17.8	14.2	13.7	14.1	12.2	14.5	17.1	12.5
Personal care	1.0	1.7	1.5	1.2	1.6	1.2	1.3	1.7	1.7	1.6	1.5
Miscellaneous commodities and services	3.5	6.4	8.0	9.7	6.3	5.7	6.7	8.2	7.3	6.5	7.0
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	100.0

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TABLE 18: HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME DECILE GROUP(a), DARWIN—continued

Household characteristics	Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution (\$)										All household holds
	Lowest 10%	Second decile	Third decile	Fourth decile	Fifth decile	Sixth decile	Seventh decile	Eighth decile	Ninth decile	Highest 10%	
Average weekly household income \$(d)	143.64	298.14	368.96	448.59	520.85	590.79	662.29	748.84	890.34	1,298.68	597.28
Proportion of total income being:											
Wages and salaries	%	70.8	82.8	86.7	88.9	91.7	91.0	92.4	90.2	85.7	86.1
Own business	%	8.7	3.7	7.5	5.2	4.5	3.5	2.5	5.1	4.7	4.3
Government pensions and benefits	%	70.9	18.1	7.6	5.8	3.4	1.8	1.4	1.3	1.1	4.9
Other	%	*5.3	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	4.7
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average age of household head (years)	43.57	39.74	36.25	37.45	37.00	34.62	37.56	36.00	37.14	41.74	38.10
Average number of persons per household:											
Under 18 years	No.	0.83	1.24	0.95	1.53	1.23	1.17	1.37	1.18	1.11	1.17
18 to 64 years	No.	1.39	1.44	1.82	1.80	1.92	2.14	2.10	2.12	2.40	1.90
65 years and over	No.	*0.15	*0.09	*0.08	*0.04	*0.04	*0.02	*0.02	*0.00	*0.01	0.05
Total	No.	2.63	2.36	3.15	2.81	3.19	3.33	3.49	3.30	3.52	3.11
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:											
Owned outright	%	11.3	9.3	11.7	12.9	8.9	12.9	4.7	7.6	12.4	9.5
Being bought	%	9.7	15.4	22.0	22.3	37.9	34.1	46.4	52.0	64.6	33.3
Renting—government	%	*63.6	*	*	*	*	*	*	*20.5	*	33.6
Renting—private	%	*15.4	*37.6	*18.3	*23.0	*18.0	*33.5	*15.8	*18.6	*7.3	21.1
Occupied rent-free	%	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	2.4
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average number of employed persons in household (number)(e)	0.34	0.81	1.06	1.26	1.46	1.53	1.91	2.10	2.01	2.30	1.48
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:											
Married couple:											
— only	%	18.1	6.8	*14.8	4.0	11.1	16.8	18.4	25.5	19.8	14.9
— with dependent children only	%	29.6	20.3	48.3	44.0	58.3	39.6	57.1	49.8	42.3	43.2
— other	%	*0.0	*5.6	*5.9	*4.4	*3.9	*14.5	*11.4	*12.7	*24.1	9.2
Single parent one family household only	%	*24.4	*	*	*	*	*	*	*0.0	*0.9	6.6
Single person household	%	*24.1	*44.6	*15.4	*25.1	*14.2	*3.2	*1.1	*1.1	*2.1	13.7
Other(f)	%	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	12.4
Total	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Number of households in sample	63	52	50	55	54	66	54	55	60	56	565
Estimated total number in population:											
Households	('000)	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.1	1.9	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	20.2
Persons	('000)	5.3	4.6	6.4	5.9	6.4	6.7	7.0	6.6	7.1	62.7

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TABLE 19: HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME DECILE GROUP(a), CANBERRA

Broad expenditure group(b)	Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution (\$)										All house-holds
	0-182 Lowest 10%	183-330 Second decile	331-434 Third decile	435-518 Fourth decile	519-603 Fifth decile	604-674 Sixth decile	675-763 Seventh decile	764-913 Eighth decile	914-1,105 Ninth decile	1,106 and over	
Average weekly household expenditure \$(c)											
Commodity or service	33.35	44.17	57.16	57.74	55.43	76.41	72.33	70.91	66.33	79.55	61.37
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	8.86	11.10	15.93	12.49	13.50	12.75	13.26	15.58	14.22	18.37	13.60
Fuel and power	45.42	62.04	69.48	76.82	88.43	83.11	99.59	94.46	114.36	131.08	86.42
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	3.75	7.78	10.74	8.08	17.95	14.36	21.05	24.58	18.40	24.13	15.06
Alcoholic beverages	2.14	5.33	3.60	4.23	3.36	4.76	4.12	6.66	4.47	5.54	4.42
Tobacco	13.85	12.80	18.73	24.06	31.40	31.44	29.51	29.55	41.22	65.68	29.80
Clothing and footwear	18.07	20.26	24.27	33.41	39.33	48.27	48.63	34.36	45.97	47.59	36.01
Household furnishings and equipment	12.41	14.22	16.79	20.56	21.49	17.54	24.10	21.77	26.42	26.66	20.18
Household services and operation	5.22	9.10	13.01	18.12	14.97	14.22	15.90	19.45	25.06	24.47	15.95
Medical care and health expenses	26.79	39.65	48.46	89.39	72.25	76.47	83.40	82.90	142.99	147.57	80.97
Transport	15.11	34.82	47.82	44.93	56.17	45.23	48.73	94.52	79.51	135.25	60.15
Recreation	4.02	4.84	5.94	8.37	6.66	9.48	8.77	10.62	8.62	11.78	7.92
Personal care	7.64	17.14	30.69	76.11	32.12	53.11	35.96	44.94	54.04	77.43	43.00
Miscellaneous commodities and services	196.63	283.26	362.63	474.30	453.08	487.15	505.36	550.29	641.61	795.10	474.85
Total commodity or service expenditure	14.41	43.14	71.16	97.89	118.77	133.47	147.39	180.25	201.64	314.64	132.19
Selected other payments	*0.45	*4.48	*4.69	*6.53	*6.80	*8.76	*9.49	*13.25	*11.60	*14.36	8.04
Income tax	0.41	5.01	13.75	16.85	19.04	25.38	31.26	35.40	36.19	51.23	*24.83
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)											23.44
Other capital housing costs											
Superannuation and life insurance											
Proportion of total expenditure on commodities and services (%)											
Commodity or service	17.0	15.6	15.8	12.2	12.2	15.7	14.3	12.9	10.3	10.0	12.9
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	4.5	3.9	4.4	2.6	3.0	2.6	2.6	2.8	2.2	2.3	2.9
Fuel and power	23.1	21.9	19.2	16.2	19.5	17.1	19.7	17.2	17.8	16.5	18.2
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	1.9	2.7	3.0	1.7	4.0	2.9	4.2	4.5	2.9	3.0	3.2
Alcoholic beverages	1.1	1.9	1.0	0.9	0.7	1.0	0.8	1.2	0.7	0.7	0.9
Tobacco	7.0	4.5	5.2	5.1	6.9	6.5	5.8	5.4	6.4	8.3	6.3
Clothing and footwear	9.2	7.2	6.7	7.0	8.7	7.2	9.6	6.2	7.2	6.0	7.6
Household furnishings and equipment	6.3	5.0	4.6	4.3	4.7	3.6	4.8	4.0	4.1	3.4	4.3
Household services and operation	2.7	3.2	3.6	3.8	3.3	2.9	3.1	3.5	3.9	3.1	3.4
Medical care and health expenses	13.6	14.0	13.4	18.8	15.9	15.7	16.5	15.1	22.3	18.6	17.1
Transport	7.7	12.3	13.2	9.5	12.4	9.3	9.6	17.2	12.4	17.0	12.7
Recreation	2.0	1.7	1.6	1.8	1.5	1.9	1.7	1.9	1.3	1.5	1.7
Personal care	3.9	6.1	8.5	16.0	7.1	10.9	7.1	8.2	8.4	9.7	9.1
Miscellaneous commodities and services	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Total commodity or service expenditure											

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 TABLE 19: HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME DECILE GROUP(a), CANBERRA—continued

Household characteristics	Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution (\$)										All house-holds
	Lowest 10%	Second decile	Third decile	Fourth decile	Fifth decile	Sixth decile	Seventh decile	Eighth decile	Ninth decile	Highest 10%	
Average weekly household income (b)(d)	111.40	265.48	383.18	477.69	563.24	642.77	720.97	833.28	1,007.14	1,309.56	631.09
Proportion of total income being:											
Wages and salaries	5.0	56.0	70.4	78.0	79.9	90.7	90.4	89.1	87.9	87.1	83.2
Own business	0.1	11.2	9.3	5.4	6.4	2.7	1.6	1.9	4.9	4.6	4.4
Government pensions and benefits	76.2	18.6	7.9	4.6	4.9	2.4	2.1	2.1	1.4	1.1	4.6
Other	*	*14.1	*12.4	*12.0	*	*4.1	*	*7.0	*5.8	*7.2	7.8
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average age of household head (years)	55.96	40.73	39.50	39.55	40.11	36.70	37.87	41.63	41.83	44.16	41.81
Average number of persons per household:											
Under 18 years	0.29	1.08	1.25	1.15	1.04	1.08	0.96	1.02	1.19	0.97	1.00
18 to 64 years	0.72	1.50	1.70	1.83	1.94	1.91	2.03	2.16	2.40	2.91	1.91
65 years and over	*0.62	*0.11	*0.08	*0.08	*0.03	*0.00	*0.04	*0.12	*0.03	*0.08	0.12
Total	1.63	2.69	3.03	3.06	3.01	2.99	3.03	3.30	3.62	3.97	3.03
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:											
Owned outright	29.2	15.4	10.0	17.2	15.4	7.2	16.4	12.4	18.7	22.1	16.4
Being bought	7.1	41.7	58.4	50.3	53.1	64.4	59.3	67.4	65.2	68.9	53.6
Renting—government	*47.2	*26.8	*15.0	*10.3	*13.0	*2.7	*7.7	*2.6	*1.6	*0.0	12.7
Renting—private	*15.1	*12.9	15.2	*17.1	*14.8	25.7	*16.7	*16.3	13.0	*9.0	15.6
Occupied rent-free	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	1.8
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average number of employed persons in household (number)(e)	0.13	0.81	1.13	1.23	1.50	1.52	1.75	2.05	2.33	2.63	1.51
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:											
Married couple:											
— only	29.2	19.1	12.6	10.3	19.4	29.3	18.8	18.1	10.3	11.4	17.9
— with dependent children only	2.5	28.0	43.7	51.1	46.7	42.2	49.5	42.7	42.4	26.4	37.5
— other	*0.0	*1.6	*3.9	*8.0	*11.0	*1.5	*8.0	*19.1	*33.7	*39.4	12.6
Single parent one family household only	*14.5	*19.9	*12.0	*7.2	*3.8	*7.1	*1.4	*0.0	*0.0	*1.4	6.7
Single person household	*51.4	*27.0	*19.6	*12.3	*12.3	*12.2	*7.0	*1.4	*0.0	*0.0	14.3
Other(f)	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	11.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Number of households in sample	62	64	65	64	61	65	62	63	65	63	634
Estimated total number in population:											
Households	7.4	7.3	7.4	7.5	7.1	7.5	7.3	7.4	7.3	7.3	73.4
Persons	12.0	19.6	22.4	22.8	21.4	22.4	22.1	24.3	26.5	29.1	222.6

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TABLE 20. HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME DECILE GROUP(a), ALL CAPITAL CITIES

Broad expenditure group(b)	Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution (\$)										All household-holds
	0-120	121-179	180-264	265-341	342-416	417-505	506-599	600-707	708-902	903 and over	
	Lowest 10%	Second decile	Third decile	Fourth decile	Fifth decile	Sixth decile	Seventh decile	Eighth decile	Ninth decile	Highest 10%	
Average weekly household expenditure (\$)(c)											
Commodity or service	29.00	29.43	37.03	51.08	54.65	57.05	58.76	63.75	65.25	80.23	52.63
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	6.05	8.06	8.92	9.41	10.82	11.13	11.64	11.59	13.11	16.19	10.69
Fuel and power	30.15	46.58	53.89	63.21	67.33	76.55	80.14	88.46	101.15	128.30	73.57
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	3.12	4.69	7.09	10.00	10.76	11.61	14.21	17.04	20.58	27.28	12.64
Alcoholic beverages	2.59	4.18	5.55	5.76	6.62	6.48	6.97	6.55	7.37	7.76	5.98
Tobacco	6.59	11.35	15.06	17.38	19.71	22.78	24.67	32.28	43.24	58.68	25.18
Clothing and footwear	7.35	13.92	19.06	21.39	21.78	32.92	30.97	36.13	45.49	50.91	27.99
Household furnishings and equipment	8.28	10.74	13.12	13.11	14.51	16.96	16.58	18.74	22.35	26.96	16.14
Household services and operation	5.10	5.88	8.86	12.34	13.91	15.48	16.61	17.72	22.00	25.50	14.34
Medical care and health expenses	12.45	23.52	38.15	45.39	50.95	62.80	62.46	79.14	96.33	119.22	59.06
Transport	2.83	20.85	26.83	29.73	36.09	47.03	51.02	59.04	71.61	101.31	45.64
Recreation	2.81	4.04	4.47	6.60	5.38	6.78	7.17	9.92	10.25	14.03	7.14
Personal care	7.83	10.65	12.77	17.98	20.52	30.99	28.94	34.96	39.78	69.30	27.37
Miscellaneous commodities and services											
Total commodity or service expenditure	134.15	193.90	250.81	303.38	333.02	398.57	410.14	475.31	558.52	725.66	378.38
Selected other payments											
Income tax	7.53	9.32	20.54	47.69	64.20	86.07	105.35	123.08	150.86	267.06	88.17
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	1.91	1.27	2.70	5.63	7.50	8.48	9.90	9.61	11.63	13.96	7.26
Other capital housing costs	*10.63	*14.65	6.55	3.42	20.52	13.86	30.18	20.52	27.26	66.59	21.41
Superannuation and life insurance	0.66	0.72	2.64	5.32	10.33	13.17	15.82	18.44	23.25	31.92	12.23
Proportion of total expenditure on commodities and services (%)											
Commodity or service	21.6	15.2	14.8	16.8	16.4	14.3	14.3	13.4	11.7	11.1	13.9
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	4.5	4.2	3.6	3.1	3.2	2.8	2.8	2.4	2.3	2.2	2.8
Fuel and power	22.5	24.0	21.5	20.8	20.2	19.2	19.5	18.6	18.1	17.7	19.4
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	2.3	2.4	2.8	3.3	3.2	2.9	3.5	3.6	3.7	3.8	3.3
Alcoholic beverages	1.9	2.2	2.2	1.9	2.0	1.6	1.7	1.4	1.1	1.1	1.6
Tobacco	4.9	5.9	6.0	5.7	5.9	5.7	6.0	6.8	7.7	8.1	6.7
Clothing and footwear	5.5	7.2	7.6	7.0	6.5	8.3	7.6	7.6	8.1	7.0	7.4
Household furnishings and equipment	6.2	5.5	5.2	4.3	4.4	4.3	4.0	4.0	4.0	3.7	4.3
Household services and operation	3.8	3.0	3.5	4.1	4.2	3.9	4.0	3.7	3.9	3.5	3.8
Medical care and health expenses	9.3	12.1	15.2	15.0	15.3	15.8	15.2	16.7	17.2	16.4	15.6
Transport	9.6	10.8	10.7	9.8	10.8	12.4	12.4	12.4	12.8	14.0	12.1
Recreation	2.1	2.1	1.8	2.2	1.6	1.7	1.7	2.1	1.8	1.9	1.9
Personal care	5.8	5.5	5.1	5.9	6.2	7.8	7.1	7.4	7.1	9.5	7.2
Miscellaneous commodities and services											
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	100.0

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TABLE 20: HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME DECILE GROUP(a), ALL CAPITAL CITIES—continued

Household characteristics	Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution (\$)										All household holds
	Lowest 10%	Second decile	Third decile	Fourth decile	Fifth decile	Sixth decile	Seventh decile	Eighth decile	Ninth decile	Highest 10%	
Average weekly household income (\$)(d)	89.85	153.05	215.28	304.82	377.90	463.49	551.87	651.50	795.79	1,212.76	481.65
Proportion of total income being:											
Wages and salaries	1.5	3.3	23.5	69.0	75.0	81.4	83.1	84.3	87.8	78.0	74.3
Own business	2.4	3.9	8.2	7.2	7.8	5.2	6.2	4.9	4.2	11.1	7.0
Government pensions and benefits	85.7	79.7	49.5	13.4	7.9	6.0	4.4	2.9	2.3	1.5	10.0
Other	10.5	13.1	18.9	10.3	9.3	7.4	6.4	8.0	5.7	9.4	8.7
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average age of household head (years)	63.00	57.34	52.22	42.61	42.66	40.69	41.00	42.20	41.80	44.56	46.81
Average number of persons per household:											
Under 18 years	No. 0.11	0.45	0.71	1.01	0.99	1.11	1.07	0.94	0.94	0.95	0.83
18 to 64 years	No. 0.52	0.91	1.32	1.64	1.72	1.91	2.01	2.08	2.34	2.77	1.72
65 years and over	No. 0.58	0.73	0.51	0.16	0.16	0.10	0.09	0.12	0.08	0.09	0.26
Total	No. 1.21	2.09	2.54	2.81	2.87	3.12	3.16	3.14	3.36	3.81	2.81
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:											
Owned outright	% 56.2	54.0	49.3	29.9	28.4	27.7	26.2	30.6	28.6	34.6	36.5
Being bought	% 6.4	11.7	17.2	34.2	39.3	47.1	48.4	48.2	51.0	49.4	35.3
Renting—government	% 13.2	11.1	7.4	6.1	5.3	2.9	3.1	2.4	2.0	0.5	5.4
Renting—private	% 20.2	19.8	24.6	27.8	24.9	19.6	20.1	17.1	16.0	14.3	20.5
Occupied rent-free	% 4.1	3.4	1.5	2.0	2.0	2.7	2.2	1.7	2.3	1.2	2.3
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average number of employed persons in household (number)(e)	0.11	0.15	0.46	0.97	1.20	1.35	1.62	1.79	2.12	2.53	1.23
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:											
Married couple:											
— only	% 5.5	46.3	34.3	17.2	15.9	16.8	21.2	26.4	24.3	15.7	22.3
— with dependent children only	% 3.5	8.2	23.0	36.6	41.4	42.9	42.5	34.7	29.0	28.6	29.0
— other	% 0.3	1.7	5.7	6.5	7.7	13.0	13.8	19.3	31.0	38.0	13.7
Single parent one family household only	% 4.3	17.6	8.6	4.8	4.3	3.5	2.0	2.9	2.1	1.1	5.1
Single person household	% 85.6	20.2	16.5	27.3	19.0	12.6	7.8	5.4	2.3	1.4	19.8
Other(f)	% 0.9	6.0	11.9	7.6	11.8	11.2	12.8	11.3	11.4	15.2	10.0
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Number of households in sample	640	623	662	679	689	729	720	719	718	717	6,896
Estimated total number in population:											
Households	(' 000) 330.4	321.5	332.2	326.3	328.7	327.8	327.9	329.1	329.0	327.0	3,279.9
Persons	(' 000) 401.1	671.3	842.4	916.6	942.2	1,023.1	1,035.9	1,033.3	1,104.1	1,245.4	9,215.4

(a) The decile groups are 10% groupings of the estimated population when households are ranked according to each household's gross weekly income. (b) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in ABS, 1984 Household Expenditure Survey: Information Paper (6527 0). (c) See paragraph 27 of the Explanatory Notes. (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 21: HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY BROAD GEOGRAPHICAL AREA, NEW SOUTH WALES

Broad expenditure group(d)	Broad Geographical Area(a)					
	Urban			Rural	Total outside capital city(b)	All households
	Capital city	Other urban	Total urban			
	Average weekly household expenditure (\$)(c)					
Commodity or service						
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	60.79	39.29	54.01	27.08	36.86	52.05
Fuel and power	9.62	9.87	9.70	10.55	10.01	9.76
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	76.85	66.53	73.60	67.28	66.68	73.14
Alcoholic beverages	13.90	12.28	13.39	9.89	11.80	13.13
Tobacco	5.93	5.29	5.73	4.59	5.15	5.65
Clothing and footwear	28.89	22.41	26.84	18.84	21.70	26.26
Household furnishings and equipment	28.33	29.65	28.75	30.09	29.74	28.85
Household services and operation	16.73	14.87	16.14	16.90	15.27	16.20
Medical care and health expenses	14.52	12.87	14.00	14.94	13.28	14.07
Transport	57.01	58.63	57.52	53.35	57.58	57.22
Recreation	45.90	37.76	43.33	29.66	36.15	42.34
Personal care	7.29	5.83	6.83	5.52	5.77	6.74
Miscellaneous commodities and services	30.61	22.31	27.99	26.83	23.21	27.91
Total commodity or service expenditure	396.37	337.61	377.84	315.50	333.22	373.31
Selected other payments						
Income tax	92.81	67.47	84.82	50.76	64.15	82.35
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	7.94	4.85	6.96	4.90	4.86	6.81
Other capital housing costs	28.78	14.00	24.12	*24.57	16.10	24.15
Superannuation and life insurance	11.71	9.77	11.10	8.77	9.57	10.93
Household characteristics						
Average weekly household income (\$)(e)	499.23	396.90	466.96	349.47	387.47	458.43
Proportion of total income being:						
Wages and salaries	% 74.1	69.4	72.8	50.5	66.0	71.6
Own business	% 8.1	7.1	7.8	25.4	10.4	8.8
Government pensions and benefits	% 9.7	16.3	11.5	14.6	16.0	11.6
Other	% 8.1	7.2	7.9	*9.5	7.6	8.0
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average age of household head (years)	47.29	47.54	47.37	46.99	47.43	47.34
Average number of persons per household:						
Under 18 years	No. 0.80	0.91	0.83	1.15	0.96	0.86
18 to 64 years	No. 1.72	1.60	1.68	1.77	1.63	1.69
65 years and over	No. 0.27	0.31	0.28	0.24	0.30	0.28
Total	No. 2.78	2.82	2.79	3.15	2.89	2.82
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:						
Owned outright	% 37.4	43.5	39.3	51.8	45.2	40.2
Being bought	% 31.8	28.3	30.7	22.0	27.1	30.1
Renting—government	% 5.3	8.8	6.4	*1.0	7.2	6.0
Renting—private	% 22.3	16.6	20.5	10.1	15.3	19.8
Occupied rent-free	% 3.1	2.8	3.0	*15.0	5.2	3.9
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average number of employed persons in household (number)(f)	1.24	1.01	1.17	1.31	1.07	1.18
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:						
Married couple:						
— only	% 22.4	26.0	23.6	27.3	26.3	23.8
— with dependent children only	% 26.2	28.7	27.0	40.6	31.1	28.0
— other	% 15.1	12.3	14.2	13.8	12.6	14.2
Single parent one family household only	% 5.5	7.2	6.0	3.8	6.5	5.9
Single person household	% 21.0	19.0	20.3	10.7	17.3	19.7
Other(g)	% 9.9	6.8	8.9	*3.8	6.2	8.5
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Number of households in sample	1,142	718	1,860	180	898	2,040
Estimated total number in population:						
Households	('000) 1,121.8	516.8	1,638.6	128.3	645.0	1,766.9
Persons	('000) 3,122.8	1,456.8	4,579.6	404.3	1,861.1	4,983.9

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TABLE 22: HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY BROAD GEOGRAPHICAL AREA, VICTORIA

	Broad Geographical Area(a)					
	Urban			Rural	Total outside capital city(b)	All households
	Capital city	Other urban	Total urban			
<i>Broad expenditure group(d)</i>	<i>Average weekly household expenditure (\$) (c)</i>					
Commodity or service						
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	50.46	35.42	46.99	28.49	33.72	45.70
Fuel and power	12.47	11.58	12.27	11.16	11.48	12.19
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	75.71	67.23	73.75	65.46	66.80	73.18
Alcoholic beverages	11.36	10.32	11.12	11.04	10.50	11.11
Tobacco	6.72	5.86	6.52	4.95	5.64	6.41
Clothing and footwear	25.65	21.77	24.75	16.94	20.58	24.21
Household furnishings and equipment	27.52	28.80	27.82	25.70	28.04	27.67
Household services and operation	16.25	15.01	15.96	14.45	14.87	15.86
Medical care and health expenses	15.89	14.19	15.50	14.09	14.17	15.40
Transport	60.38	62.49	60.87	75.95	65.80	61.92
Recreation	48.25	39.72	46.29	40.55	39.93	45.89
Personal care	7.32	5.99	7.01	5.17	5.79	6.89
Miscellaneous commodities and services	25.24	21.28	24.33	18.01	20.48	23.89
Total commodity or service expenditure	383.23	339.66	373.18	331.98	337.78	370.31
Selected other payments						
Income tax	91.09	74.99	87.38	58.21	70.87	85.35
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	6.77	5.90	6.57	4.52	5.56	6.43
Other capital housing costs	20.54	*6.63	17.33	*	*7.03	16.70
Superannuation and life insurance	12.04	12.72	12.20	10.30	12.12	12.07
<i>Household characteristics</i>						
<i>Average weekly household income (\$) (e)</i>	<i>492.49</i>	<i>433.27</i>	<i>478.84</i>	<i>383.97</i>	<i>421.17</i>	<i>472.22</i>
Proportion of total income being:						
Wages and salaries	% 74.7	71.1	73.9	53.5	67.1	72.8
Own business	% 6.3	7.4	6.6	22.1	10.7	7.4
Government pensions and benefits	% 9.1	12.8	9.9	13.0	12.9	10.1
Other	% 9.8	8.7	9.6	*11.5	9.3	9.7
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average age of household head (years)</i>	<i>47.43</i>	<i>48.48</i>	<i>47.67</i>	<i>47.17</i>	<i>48.16</i>	<i>47.64</i>
Average number of persons per household:						
Under 18 years	No. 0.82	0.80	0.82	1.00	0.85	0.83
18 to 64 years	No. 1.75	1.63	1.72	1.76	1.66	1.73
65 years and over	No. 0.26	0.34	0.28	0.25	0.32	0.27
Total	No. 2.83	2.77	2.82	3.01	2.83	2.83
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:						
Owned outright	% 39.2	44.0	40.3	56.6	47.1	41.5
Being bought	% 35.7	32.2	34.9	20.5	29.4	33.9
Renting—government	% 2.6	4.7	3.1	*3.2	4.3	3.1
Renting—private	% 20.7	16.2	19.7	12.6	15.3	19.2
Occupied rent-free	% 1.7	2.8	2.0	*7.2	3.9	2.3
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average number of employed persons in household (number)(f)</i>	<i>1.25</i>	<i>1.17</i>	<i>1.23</i>	<i>1.35</i>	<i>1.21</i>	<i>1.24</i>
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:						
Married couple:						
— only	% 21.5	26.9	22.7	29.4	27.5	23.2
— with dependent children only	% 30.8	28.2	30.2	38.6	30.8	30.8
— other	% 13.7	14.3	13.8	9.6	13.1	13.5
Single parent one family household only	% 4.3	4.0	4.2	*2.0	3.5	4.1
Single person household	% 19.8	19.2	19.7	13.1	17.7	19.2
Other(g)	% 9.9	7.4	9.3	*7.2	7.3	9.2
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Number of households in sample</i>	<i>1,325</i>	<i>471</i>	<i>1,796</i>	<i>151</i>	<i>622</i>	<i>1,947</i>
Estimated total number in population:						
Households	(' 000) 945.3	283.2	1,228.5	92.1	375.3	1,320.6
Persons	(' 000) 2,673.9	785.9	3,459.8	277.3	1,063.2	3,737.1

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TABLE 23: HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY BROAD GEOGRAPHICAL AREA, QUEENSLAND

	Broad Geographical Area(a)					
	Urban			Rural	Total outside capital city(b)	All households
	Capital city	Other urban	Total urban			
<i>Broad expenditure group(d)</i>	<i>Average weekly household expenditure (\$) (c)</i>					
Commodity or service						
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	48.86	41.45	45.44	26.48	38.05	43.17
Fuel and power	9.10	9.63	9.34	8.72	9.42	9.27
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	68.45	67.69	68.10	78.32	70.11	69.32
Alcoholic beverages	11.72	13.64	12.61	9.26	12.65	12.21
Tobacco	4.72	4.63	4.68	4.24	4.54	4.63
Clothing and footwear	18.83	19.94	19.34	14.80	18.77	18.80
Household furnishings and equipment	23.79	24.15	23.96	16.25	22.36	23.04
Household services and operation	15.06	14.77	14.93	14.88	14.79	14.92
Medical care and health expenses	12.28	14.08	13.11	13.60	13.97	13.17
Transport	59.93	54.14	57.26	65.48	56.72	58.24
Recreation	41.17	42.35	41.71	31.40	39.86	40.48
Personal care	6.74	5.66	6.24	4.26	5.34	6.01
Miscellaneous commodities and services	28.35	28.08	28.22	20.73	26.41	27.33
Total commodity or service expenditure	349.01	340.22	344.95	308.42	332.99	340.58
Selected other payments						
Income tax	77.48	68.27	73.22	40.62	61.98	69.32
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	6.83	5.85	6.38	6.86	6.08	6.43
Other capital housing costs	5.49	*14.12	9.48	*	*15.49	10.75
Superannuation and life insurance	12.54	10.20	11.46	8.79	9.88	11.14
<i>Household characteristics</i>						
<i>Average weekly household income (\$) (e)</i>	<i>448.41</i>	<i>409.22</i>	<i>430.30</i>	<i>378.25</i>	<i>402.18</i>	<i>424.07</i>
Proportion of total income being:						
Wages and salaries	% 74.2	66.0	70.6	58.2	64.3	69.3
Own business	% 7.0	11.8	9.1	17.0	12.9	9.9
Government pensions and benefits	% 10.8	13.4	11.9	14.3	13.6	12.2
Other	% 8.0	8.8	8.4	*10.6	9.2	8.6
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average age of household head (years)</i>	<i>46.34</i>	<i>48.15</i>	<i>47.18</i>	<i>45.29</i>	<i>47.50</i>	<i>46.95</i>
Average number of persons per household:						
Under 18 years	No. 0.92	0.86	0.89	1.43	0.99	0.95
18 to 64 years	No. 1.69	1.62	1.66	1.93	1.69	1.69
65 years and over	No. 0.28	0.31	0.30	0.22	0.29	0.29
Total	No. 2.89	2.79	2.85	3.57	2.97	2.93
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:						
Owned outright	% 38.8	44.8	41.6	50.6	46.1	42.7
Being bought	% 33.9	25.2	29.9	19.8	23.9	28.7
Renting—government	% 4.6	4.3	4.5	*0.0	3.3	3.9
Renting—private	% 20.8	23.1	21.9	16.4	21.6	21.2
Occupied rent-free	% 1.8	2.6	2.2	*	5.0	3.5
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average number of employed persons in household (number)(f)</i>	<i>1.21</i>	<i>1.09</i>	<i>1.15</i>	<i>1.37</i>	<i>1.15</i>	<i>1.18</i>
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:						
Married couple:						
— only	% 21.4	28.9	24.8	19.4	26.7	24.2
— with dependent children only	% 32.2	28.5	30.5	41.7	31.5	31.8
— other	% 11.4	11.5	11.4	23.4	14.2	12.9
Single parent one family household only	% 4.9	3.4	4.2	*1.7	3.0	3.9
Single person household	% 18.9	19.4	19.2	9.1	17.1	18.0
Other(g)	% 11.2	8.4	9.9	*4.7	7.6	9.3
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Number of households in sample</i>	<i>929</i>	<i>447</i>	<i>1,376</i>	<i>128</i>	<i>575</i>	<i>1,504</i>
Estimated total number in population:						
Households	(' 000) 376.3	323.2	699.4	95.1	418.2	794.5
Persons	(' 000) 1,087.8	902.5	1,990.3	339.5	1,242.0	2,329.8

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TABLE 24: HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY BROAD GEOGRAPHICAL AREA, SOUTH AUSTRALIA

	<i>Broad Geographical Area(a)</i>					
	<i>Urban</i>			<i>Rural</i>	<i>Total outside capital city(b)</i>	<i>All households</i>
	<i>Capital city</i>	<i>Other urban</i>	<i>Total urban</i>			
<i>Broad expenditure group(d)</i>	<i>Average weekly household expenditure (\$)(c)</i>					
Commodity or service						
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	40.33	29.60	38.54	21.04	25.98	36.63
Fuel and power	10.37	10.20	10.34	13.77	11.71	10.72
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	64.55	55.45	63.03	60.86	57.74	62.79
Alcoholic beverages	12.06	10.07	11.73	9.55	9.85	11.49
Tobacco	5.82	4.91	5.67	4.17	4.60	5.50
Clothing and footwear	21.67	16.95	20.88	18.85	17.76	20.66
Household furnishings and equipment	30.86	26.63	30.15	27.25	26.89	29.84
Household services and operation	14.36	14.07	14.31	14.24	14.15	14.30
Medical care and health expenses	13.13	14.49	13.35	15.92	15.10	13.64
Transport	53.10	52.94	53.07	69.76	60.05	54.89
Recreation	37.68	37.06	37.58	27.46	33.00	36.47
Personal care	7.11	6.38	6.99	4.56	5.61	6.72
Miscellaneous commodities and services	20.96	18.23	20.51	20.62	19.24	20.52
Total commodity or service expenditure	332.01	296.99	326.15	308.06	301.67	324.18
Selected other payments						
Income tax	72.99	61.60	71.09	39.49	52.25	67.63
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	6.03	3.55	5.61	2.40	3.06	5.26
Other capital housing costs	13.70	*	14.24	*	*-3.09	9.36
Superannuation and life insurance	11.03	9.70	10.80	10.29	9.95	10.75
<i>Household characteristics</i>						
<i>Average weekly household income \$(e)</i>	427.94	394.01	422.26	375.29	386.09	417.13
Proportion of total income being:						
Wages and salaries	% 72.2	71.5	72.1	51.1	63.1	70.0
Own business	% 5.7	8.9	6.2	26.5	16.2	8.2
Government pensions and benefits	% 13.8	12.7	13.6	12.3	12.5	13.5
Other	% 8.3	*6.9	8.1	*10.1	*8.2	8.3
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average age of household head (years)</i>	47.10	50.01	47.59	46.98	48.73	47.52
Average number of persons per household:						
Under 18 years	No. 0.77	0.67	0.75	1.02	0.82	0.78
18 to 64 years	No. 1.66	1.50	1.63	1.89	1.67	1.66
65 years and over	No. 0.29	0.34	0.30	*0.20	0.28	0.29
Total	No. 2.72	2.51	2.69	3.11	2.76	2.73
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:						
Owned outright	% 35.1	41.6	36.2	47.3	44.0	37.4
Being bought	% 35.9	22.8	33.7	23.7	23.2	32.6
Renting—government	% 10.5	*15.8	11.4	*3.2	*10.5	10.5
Renting—private	% 17.3	19.1	17.6	11.5	15.8	17.0
Occupied rent-free	% 1.2	*	1.1	*	*6.5	2.5
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average number of employed persons in household (number)(f)</i>	1.12	1.06	1.11	1.53	1.26	1.16
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:						
Married couple:						
— only	% 23.4	28.1	24.2	26.7	27.5	24.5
— with dependent children only	% 27.9	23.4	27.2	29.9	26.2	27.5
— other	% 13.0	11.5	12.8	*22.0	15.9	13.8
Single parent one family household only	% 6.3	*5.9	6.2	*4.0	5.1	6.0
Single person household	% 19.5	25.7	20.5	14.0	20.8	19.8
Other(g)	% 9.8	*5.3	9.1	*3.4	*4.5	8.5
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Number of households in sample</i>	863	108	971	78	186	1,049
Estimated total number in population:						
Households	(' 000) 342.5	68.8	411.2	50.4	119.2	461.6
Persons	(' 000) 932.2	172.9	1,105.1	156.7	329.5	1,261.7

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TABLE 25: HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY BROAD GEOGRAPHICAL AREA, WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Broad expenditure group(d)	Broad Geographical Area(a)					
	Urban			Rural	Total outside capital city(b)	All households
	Capital city	Other urban	Total urban			
	Average weekly household expenditure (\$)(c)					
Commodity or service						
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	47.03	26.37	43.02	18.28	24.32	41.50
Fuel and power	10.61	10.26	10.54	7.79	9.64	10.37
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	69.07	71.39	69.52	64.00	69.52	69.18
Alcoholic beverages	12.51	16.78	13.34	11.79	15.52	13.24
Tobacco	5.78	8.12	6.24	6.73	7.76	6.27
Clothing and footwear	21.67	18.59	21.07	15.35	17.77	20.72
Household furnishings and equipment	28.46	32.15	29.18	18.90	28.80	28.54
Household services and operation	15.88	14.87	15.68	16.57	15.30	15.74
Medical care and health expenses	12.76	12.59	12.73	12.65	12.61	12.72
Transport	62.28	57.41	61.33	79.83	63.08	62.47
Recreation	45.79	52.74	47.14	36.70	48.67	46.50
Personal care	6.61	5.48	6.39	3.94	5.09	6.24
Miscellaneous commodities and services	25.25	31.61	26.48	27.10	30.47	26.52
Total commodity or service expenditure	363.70	358.37	362.66	319.61	348.56	360.01
Selected other payments						
Income tax	83.17	86.16	83.75	52.50	77.63	81.82
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	8.20	3.48	7.28	*	3.65	7.09
Other capital housing costs	24.67	*	22.00	*	*11.43	21.44
Superannuation and life insurance	12.07	10.57	11.78	6.76	9.60	11.47
Household characteristics						
Average weekly household income (\$)(e)	452.08	470.24	455.60	411.29	455.31	452.87
Proportion of total income being:						
Wages and salaries	% 73.4	69.5	72.6	55.8	66.4	71.7
Own business	% 6.8	13.8	8.2	21.3	15.5	8.9
Government pensions and benefits	% 11.0	11.3	11.1	9.4	10.9	11.0
Other	% 8.8	*5.4	8.1	*	*7.3	8.4
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average age of household head (years)	45.31	45.32	45.31	45.61	45.39	45.33
Average number of persons per household:						
Under 18 years	No. 0.85	0.89	0.86	0.98	0.91	0.87
18 to 64 years	No. 1.71	1.67	1.70	1.87	1.72	1.71
65 years and over	No. 0.24	0.28	0.24	*0.19	0.25	0.24
Total	No. 2.79	2.83	2.80	3.04	2.88	2.82
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:						
Owned outright	% 31.7	33.5	32.1	47.3	37.0	33.0
Being bought	% 41.8	17.6	37.1	7.8	15.2	35.3
Renting—government	% 5.1	*15.4	7.1	*	*12.4	6.9
Renting—private	% 17.9	26.2	19.5	*28.1	26.7	20.1
Occupied rent-free	% 3.4	*7.2	4.1	*	*8.8	4.7
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average number of employed persons in household (number)(f)	1.21	1.21	1.21	1.57	1.30	1.23
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:						
Married couple:						
— only	% 25.3	27.7	25.8	30.4	28.4	26.0
— with dependent children only	% 28.7	31.3	29.2	23.1	29.2	28.9
— other	% 13.2	12.1	13.0	*23.1	14.9	13.6
Single parent one family household only	% 4.6	*4.4	4.5	*	3.3	4.3
Single person household	% 19.1	18.5	19.0	*15.8	17.8	18.8
Other(g)	% 9.2	*6.0	8.6	*	*6.4	8.5
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Number of households in sample	892	140	1,032	52	192	1,084
Estimated total number in population:						
Households	(' 000) 341.1	82.0	423.1	27.8	109.9	450.9
Persons	(' 000) 952.8	232.4	1,185.2	84.5	316.9	1,269.7

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TABLE 26: HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY BROAD GEOGRAPHICAL AREA, TASMANIA

Broad expenditure group(d)	Broad Geographical Area(a)					
	Urban			Rural	Total outside capital city(b)	All households
	Capital city	Other urban	Total urban			
	Average weekly household expenditure (\$)(c)					
Commodity or service						
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	43.13	38.08	40.57	31.38	36.19	39.04
Fuel and power	11.58	11.08	11.33	8.81	10.44	10.91
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	66.31	63.01	64.64	53.59	60.35	62.80
Alcoholic beverages	11.90	8.69	10.27	5.34	7.75	9.45
Tobacco	6.13	5.43	5.77	4.51	5.17	5.56
Clothing and footwear	25.00	24.24	24.61	15.97	21.91	23.18
Household furnishings and equipment	24.62	20.07	22.32	32.04	23.45	23.93
Household services and operation	14.37	13.03	13.69	10.49	12.31	13.16
Medical care and health expenses	12.94	9.72	11.31	11.85	10.32	11.40
Transport	55.34	40.24	47.69	47.09	42.17	47.59
Recreation	49.91	36.54	43.14	30.32	34.79	41.01
Personal care	6.44	5.52	5.97	4.32	5.18	5.70
Miscellaneous commodities and services	21.79	17.25	19.49	11.58	15.65	18.17
Total commodity or service expenditure	349.46	292.91	320.79	267.30	285.68	311.90
Selected other payments						
Income tax	75.72	64.34	69.95	46.53	59.31	66.06
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	6.57	3.47	5.00	*3.94	3.60	4.82
Other capital housing costs	*14.93	*	4.96	*	*1.08	6.78
Superannuation and life insurance	14.08	8.96	11.48	5.77	8.06	10.53
Household characteristics						
Average weekly household income \$(e)	443.34	373.48	407.93	314.92	356.96	392.47
Proportion of total income being:						
Wages and salaries	% 71.5	63.9	68.0	45.9	59.4	65.0
Own business	% 7.1	8.2	7.6	22.9	11.9	9.7
Government pensions and benefits	% 13.0	16.6	14.7	20.1	17.5	15.4
Other	% 8.4	*11.2	9.7	*	*11.2	9.9
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average age of household head (years)	46.62	47.93	47.28	44.32	46.91	46.79
Average number of persons per household:						
Under 18 years	No. 0.74	1.02	0.88	1.14	1.06	0.93
18 to 64 years	No. 1.71	1.44	1.58	1.75	1.53	1.60
65 years and over	No. 0.26	0.34	0.30	*0.15	0.28	0.27
Total	No. 2.70	2.80	2.75	3.04	2.87	2.80
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:						
Owned outright	% 32.6	37.9	35.3	41.6	39.0	36.3
Being bought	% 40.1	32.3	36.2	32.4	32.3	35.5
Renting—government	% 8.4	*11.5	10.0	*	*8.3	8.3
Renting—private	% 16.9	15.8	16.3	*18.6	16.6	16.7
Occupied rent-free	% 2.0	*	2.2	*	*3.8	3.1
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average number of employed persons in household (number)(f)	1.12	0.99	1.05	0.93	0.97	1.03
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:						
Married couple:						
— only	% 24.2	31.3	27.8	*16.3	27.1	25.9
— with dependent children only	% 28.5	30.5	29.5	45.6	34.7	32.2
— other	% 12.5	6.9	9.7	*12.1	8.4	10.1
Single parent one family household only	% 5.0	*8.6	6.8	*	7.6	6.5
Single person household	% 19.2	20.6	19.9	*13.9	18.7	18.9
Other(g)	% 10.5	*2.1	6.3	*	*3.5	6.4
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Number of households in sample	546	123	669	49	172	718
Estimated total number in population:						
Households	(' 000) 59.4	61.1	120.4	24.0	85.1	144.5
Persons	(' 000) 160.6	171.2	331.8	72.9	244.1	404.7

(a) See paragraphs 17-19 of the Explanatory Notes. (b) Includes households from other urban and rural areas. (c) See paragraph 27 of the Explanatory Notes. (d) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in ABS, 1984 Household Expenditure Survey: Information Paper (6527.0). (e) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (f) See paragraph 16 of the Explanatory Notes. (g) Includes married couple and single parent families living in multiple family households.

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TABLE 27: HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY BROAD GEOGRAPHICAL AREA, AUSTRALIA(a)

	<i>Broad Geographical Area(b)</i>					
	<i>Urban</i>			<i>Rural</i>	<i>Total outside capital city(c)</i>	<i>All households</i>
	<i>Capital city</i>	<i>Other urban</i>	<i>Total urban</i>			
<i>Broad expenditure group(e)</i>	<i>Average weekly household expenditure (\$)(d)</i>					
Commodity or service						
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	52.63	37.66	48.29	26.36	34.97	46.46
Fuel and power	10.69	10.28	10.57	10.38	10.31	10.56
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	73.57	66.58	71.54	67.61	66.82	71.22
Alcoholic beverages	12.64	12.22	12.52	9.93	11.67	12.30
Tobacco	5.98	5.43	5.82	4.70	5.25	5.73
Clothing and footwear	25.18	21.25	24.04	17.06	20.25	23.46
Household furnishings and equipment	27.99	27.77	27.93	25.03	27.12	27.69
Household services and operation	16.14	14.78	15.74	15.18	14.87	15.70
Medical care and health expenses	14.34	13.36	14.06	14.23	13.57	14.07
Transport	59.06	57.15	58.50	64.47	58.89	59.00
Recreation	45.64	40.16	44.05	32.94	38.44	43.13
Personal care	7.14	5.82	6.76	4.88	5.59	6.60
Miscellaneous commodities and services	27.37	23.65	26.29	21.92	23.24	25.93
Total commodity or service expenditure	378.38	336.10	366.12	314.69	331.00	361.84
Selected other payments						
Income tax	88.17	70.00	82.90	48.84	64.96	80.07
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	7.26	5.10	6.64	4.84	5.04	6.49
Other capital housing costs	21.41	11.53	18.55	*12.09	11.66	18.01
Superannuation and life insurance	12.23	10.52	11.73	9.02	10.16	11.51
<i>Household characteristics</i>						
<i>Average weekly household income \$(f)</i>	<i>481.65</i>	<i>411.27</i>	<i>461.24</i>	<i>369.47</i>	<i>401.31</i>	<i>453.60</i>
Proportion of total income being:						
Wages and salaries	% 74.3	68.9	72.9	53.5	65.5	71.6
Own business	% 7.0	8.9	7.5	22.3	11.8	8.5
Government pensions and benefits	% 10.0	14.2	11.1	13.7	14.1	11.3
Other	% 8.7	8.0	8.5	10.6	8.6	8.6
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average age of household head (years)</i>	<i>46.81</i>	<i>47.85</i>	<i>47.11</i>	<i>46.37</i>	<i>47.49</i>	<i>47.05</i>
Average number of persons per household:						
Under 18 years	No. 0.83	0.87	0.84	1.15	0.93	0.86
18 to 64 years	No. 1.72	1.60	1.69	1.82	1.66	1.70
65 years and over	No. 0.26	0.32	0.28	0.22	0.29	0.27
Total	No. 2.81	2.79	2.80	3.19	2.88	2.84
Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:						
Owned outright	% 36.5	42.8	38.4	51.0	44.8	39.4
Being bought	% 35.3	27.6	33.1	21.1	26.1	32.1
Renting—government	% 5.4	7.8	6.1	1.7	6.3	5.7
Renting—private	% 20.5	18.8	20.0	13.9	17.7	19.5
Occupied rent-free	% 2.3	2.9	2.5	12.3	5.2	3.3
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Average number of employed persons in household (number)(g)</i>	<i>1.23</i>	<i>1.08</i>	<i>1.19</i>	<i>1.36</i>	<i>1.14</i>	<i>1.20</i>
Proportion of households with family composition of the household being:						
Married couple:						
— only	% 22.3	27.3	23.8	25.5	26.9	23.9
— with dependent children only	% 29.0	28.6	28.9	38.3	30.9	29.7
— other	% 13.7	12.2	13.3	16.5	13.2	13.5
Single parent one family household only	% 5.1	5.5	5.2	2.7	4.8	5.0
Single person household	% 19.8	19.5	19.7	11.8	17.7	19.1
Other(h)	% 10.0	7.0	9.1	5.2	6.5	8.8
Total	% 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>Number of households in sample</i>	<i>6,896</i>	<i>2,027</i>	<i>8,923</i>	<i>648</i>	<i>2,675</i>	<i>9,571</i>
Estimated total number in population:						
Households	(' 000) 3,279.9	1,340.1	4,620.0	419.2	1,759.4	5,039.2
Persons	(' 000) 9,215.4	3,736.1	12,951.5	1,339.3	5,075.5	14,290.9

(a) Includes households in the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory. (b) See paragraphs 17-19 of the Explanatory Notes. (c) Includes households from other urban and rural areas. (d) See paragraph 27 of the Explanatory Notes. (e) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in ABS, 1984 Household Expenditure Survey: Information Paper (6527.0). (f) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (g) See paragraph 16 of the Explanatory Notes. (h) Includes married couple and single parent families living in multiple family households.

APPENDIX 1

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Scope and coverage*Geographical areas*

1. 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.

**1984 HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE SURVEY: ACTUAL
NUMBER OF FULLY RESPONDING HOUSEHOLDS**

<i>State or Territory</i>	<i>Metro- politan</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
- () estimate reflects the effect of some unusual instances of expenditure in a relatively small sample
- * 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.

APPENDIX 2

RELIABILITY OF THE ESTIMATES

1. 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* or *States*) 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 2 the average weekly household expenditure in NSW on Tobacco is \$5.65.

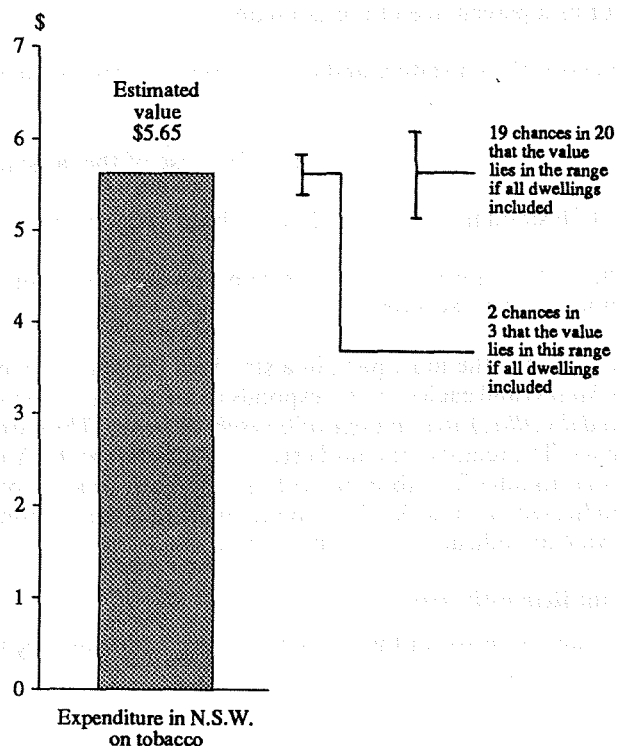
The relative standard error is as follows:

- (i) from Table 2 the number of sampled households is 2040;
- (ii) from Table A the Australian relative standard error R is 2.0% and the factor line required is E;

(iii) looking up line E on the graph with number of sampled household (2040) gives the factor F —2.05;

(iv) the relative standard error is thus $2.05 \times 2.0 = 4.1\%$.

An example of the use of relative standard errors is as follows. The estimate of average weekly expenditure on Tobacco for NSW is \$5.65 with a relative standard error of 4.1% (see above). The standard error of this estimate is therefore $\$5.65 \times .041 = \0.23 . Thus, there are about 2 chances in 3 (or approximately with 67% confidence) that the true figures lies in the range \$5.42 to \$5.88 and about 19 chances in 20 (or approximately with 95% confidence) that the figure is in the range \$5.19 to \$6.11. This example is illustrated in the diagram below.



Only income within a fixed range falls into an income decile group; hence the item *average weekly household income* is much less variable when categorised by income decile group than otherwise. Because of this, three rows of Table A have been provided to calculate relative standard errors for estimates of *average weekly household income*. The relative standard error is $R \times F \%$, here F is obtained using factor line E of the graph and R is from the column headed 'Relative Standard Error (%) for Australia'. The R figure from the row 'not categorised by income decile group' in Table A is the relative standard error for Australia; the Rs from the next two rows are simply the appropriate figures for the calculation of relative standard errors for estimates categorised by income decile group.

Tables 2-10 and 12-20 are categorised by income decile groups. In these tables the boundaries between the groups are formed by estimates of deciles. Relative standard errors for these decile estimates are given in Table B.

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 furnishing 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 1 gives an expenditure on 'current housing costs' in the Northern Territory of \$67.42 and in New South Wales of \$52.05. Subtraction provides a difference in average weekly household expenditure on this item in the Northern Territory and in New South Wales of \$15.37. The standard error on this difference may be calculated as follows:

$$\text{Standard Error (difference in expenditure on 'current housing costs' between NT and NSW)} = \sqrt{[\text{Standard Error (housing costs in NT)}]^2 + [\text{Standard Error (housing costs in NSW)}]^2}$$

$$SE(\$67.42 - \$52.05) = \sqrt{[SE(67.42)]^2 + [SE(52.05)]^2}$$

From Table A the relative standard error for 'current housing costs' at the Australian level is 1.3% and the factor line is E. This results in standard errors of \$0.88, for 'current housing costs' in the Northern Territory and \$0.68 for current housing costs in New South Wales.

$$\begin{aligned} SE(\$67.42 - \$52.05) &= \sqrt{(0.88)^2 + (0.68)^2} \\ &= \$1.11. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore there are 2 chances in 3 that the difference is in the range \$14.26 and \$16.48 and 19 chances in 20 that it is in the range \$13.15 and \$17.59. This implies a statistically significant difference between expenditure on 'current housing costs' in the Northern Territory and in New South Wales 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 (from Table 1 $\$46.46 \div \361.84). From Table A the relative standard error for 'current 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

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Relative Standard Error (proportion} \\ \text{housing is of total expenditure} \\ \text{on commodities and services)} &= \sqrt{\frac{[\text{Relative Standard Error (Housing)}]^2 + \\ &[\text{Relative Standard Error (Total expenditure} \\ &\text{on commodities and services)}]^2}{}} \\ \text{RSE}(\$46.46/\$361.84) &= \sqrt{(1.3)^2 + (0.8)^2} \\ &= 1.53\% \end{aligned}$$

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. 'Transport' and 'Recreation'). 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	<i>Average age of household head</i>	0.5	E
Tobacco	2.0	E	Average number of persons per household:		
Clothing and footwear	2.0	E	Under 18 years	1.8	E
Household furnishings and equipment	2.5	E	18 to 64 years	0.8	D
Household services and operation	1.4	D	65 years and over	2.8	F
Medical care and health expenses	1.7	D	Proportion of households with nature of housing occupancy being:		
Transport	1.7	E	Owned outright	1.5	F
Recreation	1.7	E	Being bought	1.7	F
Personal care	1.8	E	Renting—government	6.5	D
Miscellaneous commodities and services	2.8	D	Renting—private	2.5	F
Total commodity or service expenditure	0.8	D	Occupied rent-free	7.4	E
Selected other payments			<i>Average number of employed persons in household(c)</i>	1.1	D
Income tax	1.5	D	Proportion of households with family composition of household being:		
Mortgage payments—principal (selected dwelling)	3.4	E	Married couple:		
Other capital housing costs	12.0	C	—only	2.2	F
Superannuation and life insurance	2.0	E	—with dependent children only	2.1	E
			—other	3.2	F
Household characteristics			Single parent one family household only	3.8	F
<i>Average weekly household income(b):</i>			Single person household	2.7	F
—not categorised by income decile group	0.9	E	Other(d)	5.5	E
—categorised by first or last decile group	0.4	E	Estimated number of households being in(e):		
—categorised by some other decile group	0.1	E	Metropolitan areas (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

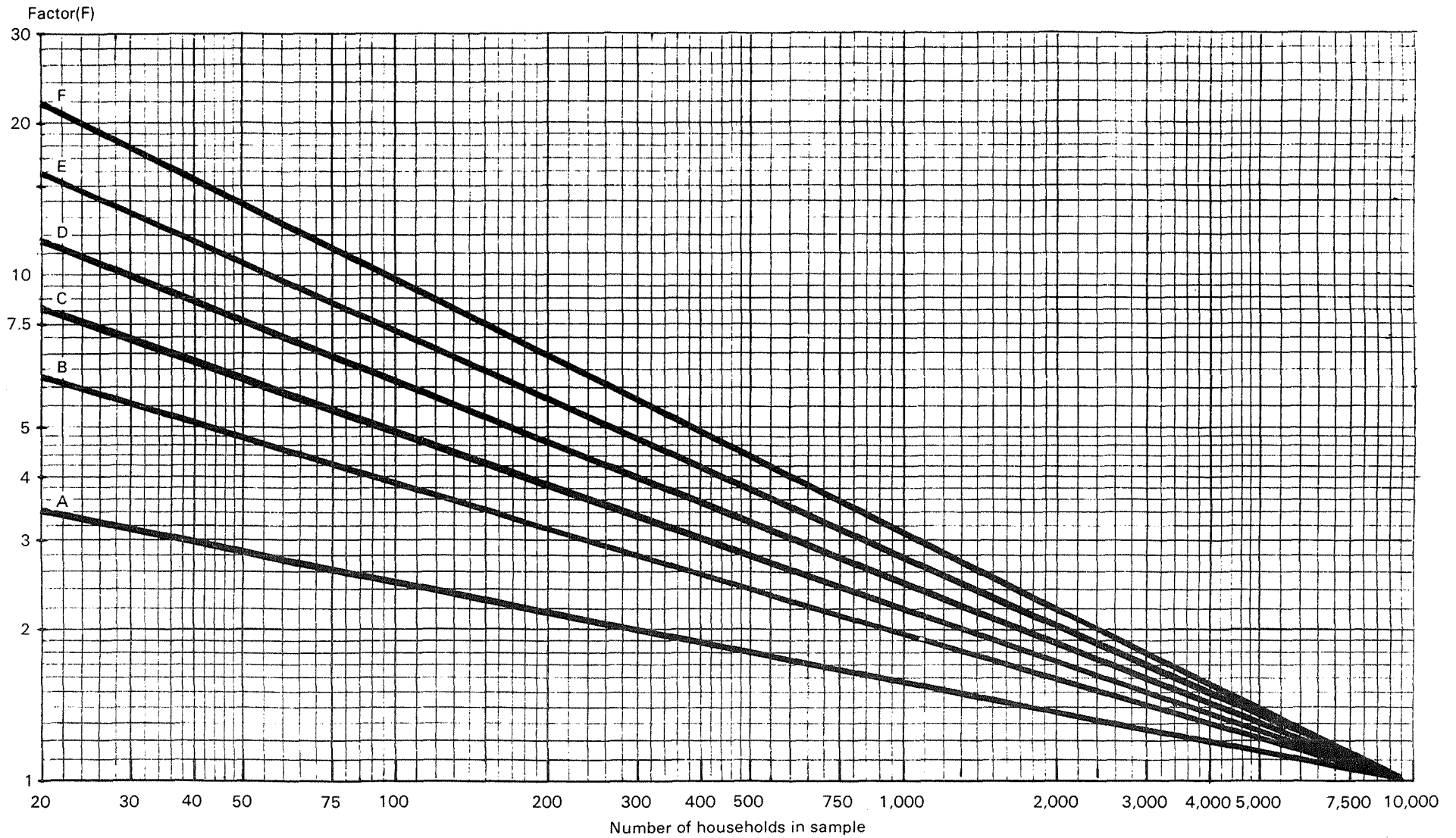
(a) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 HES Information Paper (6527.0).
 (b) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (c) See paragraph 16 of the Explanatory notes. (d) Includes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

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TABLE B: INCOME DECILES : RELATIVE STANDARD ERRORS (%)

	<i>Decile of Average Weekly Household Income (\$)</i>								
	<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>9</i>
	Relative Standard Errors (%)								
State									
N.S.W.	3.3	2.3	3.8	2.4	2.4	2.3	1.8	1.8	2.1
Vic.	3.5	2.7	3.6	2.4	2.4	1.8	1.8	1.8	2.3
Qld	4.1	2.5	3.9	3.0	2.5	2.3	2.2	1.8	2.7
S.A.	4.3	3.0	4.4	4.1	2.8	2.9	2.5	2.6	3.7
W.A.	4.5	3.4	4.8	3.1	2.4	2.7	2.3	2.5	4.2
Tas.	5.4	3.5	4.2	5.1	2.6	4.3	3.2	2.7	3.7
N.T.	7.0	2.9	2.9	2.8	2.5	2.5	2.3	2.9	3.9
A.C.T.	10.7	5.2	4.0	3.2	2.6	2.3	2.6	3.0	2.7
Australia	1.5	1.1	1.7	1.1	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.8	1.1
Capital City									
Sydney	4.1	4.5	4.4	3.6	2.9	2.8	2.3	2.2	2.8
Melbourne	4.1	4.1	4.4	2.7	3.1	1.8	2.1	2.0	2.7
Brisbane	5.4	3.9	5.3	3.1	3.1	2.5	2.6	2.3	3.8
Adelaide	4.9	3.1	5.2	4.1	3.8	2.9	2.8	2.9	4.3
Perth	5.4	3.8	5.5	3.8	2.7	2.8	2.4	2.7	4.4
Hobart	6.6	4.9	6.8	4.0	4.3	3.7	3.2	3.6	4.1
Darwin	7.5	3.4	3.8	2.8	2.7	2.1	2.5	3.0	3.5
Canberra	10.6	5.4	4.1	3.1	2.8	2.2	2.6	3.0	2.7
All Capital Cities	1.8	1.6	1.9	1.2	1.2	1.0	0.9	0.9	1.2

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 been implemented.

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*—expected release 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 June 1987

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) (\$21.50, \$25.50 including postage)
- Australian Families, 1982* (4408.0) (\$1.50, \$2.20 including postage)
- Consumer Price Index* (6401.0)

Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the *Catalogue of Publications, Australia* (1101.0). The ABS also issues, on Tuesdays and Fridays, a *Publications Advice* (1105.0) which lists publications to be released in the next few days. The Catalogue and Publications Advice are available from any ABS office.

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