

PART VI.

INTERCHANGE.

The Customs Tariff.

By the Commonwealth of Australia Constitution Act (section 51) the power to make laws with respect to trade and commerce with other countries was conferred on the Federal Parliament, and by the same Act (section 86) the collection and control of duties of Customs and Excise passed to the Executive Government of the Commonwealth on the 1st January, 1901. The first Commonwealth Customs Tariff was introduced by Resolution on the 8th October, 1901, from which date the duties came into effect. The Tariff Act was assented to on the 16th September, 1902. Since that date the Tariff has been extensively altered. The Tariff at present in operation is the Customs Tariff 1933–1952.

The Australian Customs Tariff has been built up in conformity with the policy of protection of Australian industries and preference to goods the produce or manufacture of British countries, and with due regard to the revenue aspects. The principles for the determination of the margin of preference to be accorded to goods the produce or manufacture of the United Kingdom are laid down in the United Kingdom and Australia Trade Agreement Act 1932, and by the General Agreements on Tariffs and Trade. In the former Agreement Australia undertakes to maintain certain minimum margins of preference between the British Preferential Tariff and either the Intermediate or General Tariffs. In the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade which is referred to in more detail under the heading of International Trade Organization maximum margins of preference are established.

There are three scales of duties at present operating—the British Preferential Tariff, the Intermediate Tariff and the General Tariff.

The British Preferential Tariff applies to goods the produce or manufacture of the United Kingdom, subject to the conditions that the goods comply with the statutory requirements in force regarding the grant of British Preference and that they have been shipped in the United Kingdom and have not been transhipped or, if transhipped, then only if it is proved satisfactorily that the intended destination of the goods when shipped from the United Kingdom was Australia. The British Preferential Tariff rates are also applicable to the majority of goods the produce or manufacture of the Dominions of Canada and New Zealand and the Territory of Papua-New Guinea. The benefits of the British Preferential Tariff 4175/53.—12

are also accorded to certain goods produced or manufactured in Ceylon and in various British non-self-governing Colonies, Protectorates, and Trust Territories.

The Intermediate Tariff has been a feature of the Australian Customs Tariff for a considerable number of years, although its implementation dates only from 1st January, 1937, consequent upon the conclusion of trade agreements with Belgium, Czechoslovakia, and France in 1936.

The countries to which the benefits of the Intermediate Tariff are extended include countries with which Australia has negotiated trade agreements (including negotiations pursuant to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade) and countries which accord Australia reciprocal most-favoured-nation tariff treatment by reason of agreements between those countries and the United Kingdom. The Intermediate Tariff has also been extended to some countries to which Australia has no formal obligation to accord most-favoured-nation treatment.

General Tariff applies to all goods other than those to which the benefits of the British Preferential Tariff or Intermediate Tariff have been extended or which are not entitled to special rates of import duties under preference tariffs or other Acts of Parliament.

Primage
Duty.

In addition to duties imposed by the Customs Tariff
1933-1952, ad valorem primage duties at rates of 4 per cent.,
5 per cent., or 10 per cent. are charged according to the type of goods
and origin thereof. Goods, the produce or manufacture of New Zealand,
Norfolk Island, Fiji, Papua and New Guinea, are exempt from primage
duty. A large proportion of goods admissible under the British
Preferential Tariff is also exempt from primage duty and a number of
specified goods used by primary producers and many machines, tools
of trade and raw materials not manufactured in Australia are free of
primage duty regardless of their country of origin.

Primage duties at the rates applicable to the British Preferential Tariff are accorded to Canadian goods admissible under the British Preferential Tariff, and also to proclaimed commodities from Ceylon, the Maldives, various British non-self-governing colonies, protectorates, and Trust territories. Primage duties at concessional rates (in most cases at the rate equivalent to the British Preferential Tariff rate) are payable on a limited number of goods the product of proclaimed countries.

Trade (i) United Kingdom.—A reciprocal trade agreement Agreements. between the United Kingdom and Australia came into force on 14th October, 1932. Broadly speaking, Australia secured preferences in the United Kingdom market for a wide range of Australian export commodities and in return Australia incurred obligations to the United Kingdom in respect of Tariff rates and the grant of preferences to United Kingdom goods.

(ii) Dominion of Canada.—A reciprocal trade agreement between Canada and Australia which came into force on 1st October, 1925, was superseded by a new agreement operating from 3rd August, 1931. The basis of the new agreement was, generally, the mutual accord of British Preferential Tariff treatment. Exceptions to this general rule are listed in the schedules to the agreement.

Certain administrative provisions, including a special concession to Canada in respect of the inland freight charges to be included in the dutiable value of Canadian goods on importation into Australia, were incorporated in the agreement.

The Customs Tariff (Canadian Preference) Act 1931 and the Customs Tariff (Canadian Preference) Act 1934–1952 give effect to the agreement so far as Australia is concerned.

(iii) Dominion of New Zealand.—A reciprocal trade agreement between New Zealand and Australia came into force on 1st December, 1933, superseding an earlier agreement of 1922. The basis of the new agreement was, generally, the mutual accord of British Preferential Tariff treatment. The exceptions to this general rule are listed in the schedules to the agreement.

The Customs Tariff (New Zealand Preference) Act 1933, giving effect to the agreement, repealed earlier acts and provided that duties on all goods specified in the schedule to the Act shall be at the rates indicated therein, and that all goods other than those provided for in the schedule shall be subject to the rates in force under the British Preferential Tariff. An amendment to this Act in 1934 provided that, where the rate of duty upon any class of goods under the New Zealand British Preferential Tariff is less than that operating in Australia under the British Preferential rate, upon request by the New Zealand Government such goods may, after proclamation, be admitted at the lower rate. The rates of duty on goods re-exported from New Zealand (not being goods the produce or manufacture of New Zealand) and which are imported into Australia, and which if they had been imported into Australia direct from the country of origin would have been subject to the rates of duty under the British Preferential Tariff, shall be the rates of duty in force under that tariff.

The Act provides also that films produced in New Zealand by or for the Government of New Zealand for publicity purposes shall be admitted free of duty, also that cocoa beans the produce of Western Samoa shall not be subject to any higher duties than those paid on cocoa beans the produce of any British non-self-governing Colony or Protectorate or any Territory under British mandate. The provisions of the Act do not, however, apply to goods the produce of Cook Islands.

Goods the produce or manufacture of the Dominion of New Zealand are exempt from primage duty.

The Conditions of preference in the Act provide that goods shall be deemed to be the produce or manufacture of New Zealand if they conform to the laws and regulations in force in Australia which apply to such goods when imported under the British Preferential Tariff (vide section 151a of Customs Act 1901–1947) except that special conditions apply to goods not wholly produced or manufactured in New Zealand.

(iv) Southern Rhodesia.—An agreement between Southern Rhodesia and Australia came into operation on 9th April, 1941.

Under the agreement the principal undertakings by the Commonwealth Government were—(a) to accord a preferential rate of ninepence per lb. lower than the British Preferential Tariff on unmanufactured tobacco from Southern Rhodesia; and (b) to admit raw asbestos and chrome ore at rates of duty not higher than those applicable to these products from other countries, and to admit them free of primage duty.

The Southern Rhodesian Government on its part agreed—(a) to admit free of duty a schedule of Australian goods comprising 33 items; (b) to accord specified preferential rebates ranging from 10 per cent. to 50 per cent. from the duties applicable to United Kingdom goods on a schedule of Australian goods comprising 19 items; (c) to accord British Preferential Tariff rates to a schedule of Australian goods comprising 14 items and (d) to accord similar tariff treatment to Australian wheat and wheat flour, in the event of permits being issued for importation from any other country at rates of duty lower than those accorded to Australia under the agreement.

The Trade Agreement (Southern Rhodesia) Act 1941 approved the agreement, which was given effect to so far as Australia is concerned by the Customs Tariff (Southern Rhodesian Preference) Act 1941.

(v) Union of South Africa.—A trade agreement between Australia and the Union of South Africa came into force as from 1st July, 1935.

This agreement provides that the products of the Union of South Africa or of the mandated territory of South-west Africa entering Australia and the products of Australia entering the Union of South Africa or the mandated territory of South-West Africa shall be subject to customs duties not higher than those imposed by the importing country on like products from the most favoured foreign nation. A reciprocal tariff arrangement, under which products of Mozambique are admitted duty free to the Union of South Africa, is exempt from the agreement.

The Trade Agreement (South Africa) Act 1936 approves the terms of this agreement.

(vi) Foreign Countries.—Trade Agreements between the Commonwealth Government and the Governments of Belgium, Czechoslovakia and France were in operation prior to the outbreak

of war in September, 1939, but were inoperative during the war owing to the provisions of the *Trading with the Enemy Act* 1939–1940. These agreements are again in force.

The trade agreement concluded in 1938 between Australia and Switzerland continued in limited operation during the war period.

Between December, 1939 and April, 1944 the Commonwealth Government also entered into trade agreements with Brazil and Greece.

The Charter for an International Trade Organization and the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

(i) The Charter for an International Trade Organization.—Details of the passage of events leading up to the drafting of the Havana Charter for an International Trade Organization and of the scope of the Charter itself, may be found in the Year-Book for 1948-49, page 356.

In accordance with the decision reached at the conclusion of the United Nations Conference on Trade and

Employment in March, 1948, the Havana Charter was submitted to Governments of the countries represented at the Conference. Because of the predominant influence of the United States of America in world trade most other countries waited for a decision from that country before determining their own attitude to the Charter.

On the 6th December, 1950, the United States Government announced that it did not propose to re-submit the Havana Charter to Congress for approval, but would ask Congress to consider legislation to make American participation in the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade more effective. It now seems unlikely that the Charter will come into force in its present form.

(ii) The General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.—On 10th April, 1947 (about a month prior to the resumption of the Charter discussions) the member nations of the Preparatory Committee engaged in negotiations with the object of arriving at a satisfactory basis on which the reduction of tariff barriers could be effected.

The Tariff negotiations were kept quite distinct from the Charter discussions as the aim was to bring the results into effect without necessarily awaiting the establishment of the International Trade Organization.

The results of the negotiations were incorporated in a draft General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade which was tabled in the House of Representatives on 18th November, 1947, together with the tariff schedules implementing the tariff reductions which Australia had undertaken to afford,

A Protocol of Provisional Application provided that, upon signature by Australia, Belgium, Canada, France, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, the United Kingdom and the United States of America not later than 15th November, 1947, those countries should undertake to apply provisionally on and after 1st January, 1948—

- (1) Parts I and III of the Agreement;
- (2) Part II of the Agreement to the fullest extent not inconsistent with existing legislation in their respective countries.

These conditions were satisfied and the Agreement is provisionally in force. Tariff reductions undertaken by Australia operated from 19th November, 1947. The General Agreement is now being provisionally operated by Australia, Austria, Belgium, Brazil, Burma, Canada, Ceylon, Chile, Cuba, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Federal Republic of Germany, Finland, France, Greece, Haiti, India, Indonesia, Italy, Liberia, Luxembourg, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Norway, Pakistan, Peru, Southern Rhodesia, Sweden, Turkey, Union of South Africa, United Kingdom and the United States of America. China, Lebanon and Syria have withdrawn from the General Agreement.

The Agreement does not come definitively into force until 30 days after instruments of acceptance have been lodged by countries accounting for 85 per cent. of the total external trade of the countries signatory to the Final Act. The percentage is to be calculated in accordance with a table set out in Annexe H to the Agreement. No country has yet definitively accepted the agreement, but as in the case of the Charter, Parliament has approved Australia lodging an instrument of acceptance when the United Kingdom and United States of America have done likewise.

Many of the articles of the General Agreement are identical with articles in the Charter and were incorporated in the Agreement to prevent tariff concessions being circumvented by other measures pending the coming into force of the Charter. Had the Charter come into force, Part II. of the General Agreement, which contains such articles, would have been suspended.

The three component parts of the Agreement contain briefly:

- Part I.—Schedules of negotiated tariff reductions and an undertaking to extend most-favoured-nation treatment to other participating countries except where existing preferences are deemed valid.
- Part II.—Undertakings regarding commercial policy to prevent tariff concessions being offset by other protective measures. Rights are preserved, however, to—
 - (1) Impose new duties for protective purposes except in respect of commodities where rates of duty have been bound under the general agreement;
 - (2) Impose import restrictions to protect the balance of payments;

(3) Take emergency action where any industry is endangered by any negotiated tariff or preference reduction.

Part III.—Mainly machinery provisions.

Under the tariff negotiations associated with the Agreement concessions were offered to Australia on almost all the principal products of which Australia is an actual or potential exporter to the individual countries concerned. Generally the offers were made directly to Australia, but in some cases benefits will arise indirectly from concessions granted to third countries which are more important suppliers of the particular product. These latter benefits occur through the operation of the most-favoured-nation principle.

In April, 1949, a second series of tariff negotiations commenced at Annecy in France between the 23 Contracting Parties which were then operating the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, and eleven additional countries which had expressed a desire to accede the General Agreement. Nine of these countries—Denmark, Dominican Republic, Finland, Greece, Haiti, Italy, Liberia, Nicaragua, and Sweden subsequently acceded to the Agreement.

In addition, Ceylon, which, for domestic reasons, had been unable to operate the concessions it negotiated at Geneva in 1947, took the opportunity of re-negotiating with certain countries including Australia.

The tariff concessions exchanged by Australia at Annecy were put into effect from 12th May, 1950.

A third series of tariff negotiations was conducted at Torquay, England, from September, 1950, to April, 1951, and was attended by representatives of all contracting parties except Burma, Liberia, Nicaragua, and Syria, and by representatives of seven new countries—Austria, Korea, Peru, Philippines Republic, Turkey, Federal Republic of Germany and Uruguay. Australia completed agreements with Austria, Denmark, Philippines Republic, Turkey, Federal Republic of Germany and Sweden. These tariff concessions exchanged by Australia were put into force on 27th September, 1951.

Questions concerning the application of the Agreement arise from time to time. The Contracting Parties have held seven sessions to deal with such matters: the first at Havana in March, 1948; the second at Geneva in Ausust, 1948; the third at Annecy during 1949; the fourth at Geneva in February-April, 1950; the fifth at Torquay in November-December, 1950; the sixth at Geneva in September-October, 1951; and the seventh at Geneva in September-October, 1952.

Recorded Value of Imports and Exports.

The recorded value of goods imported represents the amount on which duty is payable or would be payable if the duty were charged ad valorem. Such amount is—

- (a) (i) The actual money price paid or to be paid for the goods by the Australian importer plus any special deduction, or
 - (ii) the current domestic value of the goods—whichever is the higher—and
- (b) all charges payable or ordinarily payable for placing the goods free on board at the port of export.

When the value of imported goods is shown on invoices in any other currency than Australian, the equivalent value in Australian currency is ascertained according to a fair rate of exchange and subject, in cases of doubt, to the determination of a fair rate of exchange by the Minister for Trade and Customs.

The value of goods exported, including the cost of containers, is recorded in Australian currency, and the basis of this valuation is as follows:—

- (a) Goods sold to overseas buyers before export.—The f.o.b. equivalent of the price at which the goods were sold—
 (e.g., as regards wool, the actual price paid by the oversea buyer plus the cost of all services incurred by him in placing the wool on board ship).
- (b) Goods shipped on consignment.—The Australian f.o.b. equivalent of the current price offering for similar goods of Australian origin in the principal markets of the country to which the goods are despatched for sale—

 (as regards wool, the equivalent f.o.b. of the current price ruling in Australia will normally provide a sufficient approximation of the f.o.b. equivalent of the price ultimately received).

Excise Tariff. The Excise Tariff in operation is the Excise Tariff 1921–1952. The articles on which excise duty is payable can only be manufactured subject to compliance with certain conditions.

This tariff relates only to beer, spirits, liqueurs, tobacco, cigars, cigarettes, certain petroleum or shale products, coal tar and coke oven distillates, aromatic hydrocarbons and light oils (not being petroleum or shale products) suitable for use as petrol substitutes, playing cards, cigarette tubes, cigarette papers, matches, wine (certain kinds), saccharin, wireless valves, and coal.

- (1) Customs (Import Licensing) Regulations.—The Customs (Import Licensing) Regulations No. 163 were first promulgated in December, 1939, and were made pursuant to the Customs Act 1901–1936, Sections 52 (g) and 56. These regulations provide, inter alia, that the importation into the Commonwealth of any goods shall be prohibited, unless:—
 - (a) a licence to import the goods is in force and the terms and conditions (if any) to which the licence is subject are complied with; or
 - (b) the goods are excepted from the application of the Regulations.

The regulations were at first applied only to imports from non-sterling sources with the object of conserving non-sterling exchange and to enable priority in shipping space to be given to essential imports. However, with a subsequent decline in Australia's sterling balances in London and changes in the general war situation, the restrictions were extended to cover a wide range of imports from sterling countries in December, 1941. The position remained basically the same during the remainder of the war and in the immediate post war period.

As Australia's external financial position improved the restrictions were progressively relaxed until, by November, 1950, imports from most countries had been exempted from the application of the regulations and, with minor exceptions, the restrictions applied only to imports from the Dollar Area and Japan. This position obtained until March, 1952.

During the financial year 1951-52, following a fall in the price of wool and a large increase in the volume of imports (the product, in turn, of the wool boom of 1950-51), Australia incurred a substantial deficit in over-all payments on current account. Overseas reserves fell rapidly in the latter part of 1951 and early 1952 endangering Australia's external financial position to such a degree that it became necessary on 8th March, 1952, to apply the Customs (Import Licensing) Regulations to imports from all sources with the exception of goods originating in Papua, New Guinea, and Norfolk Island. As from that date no goods (with minor exceptions) may be imported from any country except Papua, New Guinea, and Norfolk Island unless the importer holds a licence issued under the Customs (Import Licensing) Regulations authorizing the importation of the particular goods.

(2) Customs (Prohibited Imports) Regulations.—In addition to the Import Licensing Regulations which are imposed for balance of payments reasons, section 52 of the Customs Act provides for the

prohibition of the importation of specified types of commodities and also provides for the making of Regulations prohibiting the importation of other types of commodities.

Prohibition by Regulation may be exercised by-

(a) prohibiting the importation of goods completely.

- (b) prohibiting the importation of goods except with the consent of the Minister.
- (c) prohibiting the importation of goods except subject to conditions.

Lists of products subject to prohibition are set out in the Customs (Prohibited Imports) Regulations.

Commodities, the importation of which has been prohibited under the Regulations include dangerous drugs, firearms, undesirable publications and articles deleterious to public health.

- (1) Commodity Control.—Section 112 of the Customs
 Act provides that the Governor General may, by regulation,
 prohibit the exportation of goods from Australia and
 that this power may be exercised by—
 - (a) prohibiting the exportation of goods absolutely;
 - (b) prohibiting the exportation of goods to a specified place;
 - (c) prohibiting the exportation of goods unless prescribed conditions or restrictions are complied with.

Goods subject to export control are listed in the Customs (Prohibited Exports) Regulations.

(2) Monetary Control—Banking Act 1945.—As an integral part of the framework of Exchange Control, a control over goods exported from Australia is maintained under the provisions of Part III. of the Banking (Foreign Exchange) Regulations to ensure that the full proceeds of such goods are received into the Australian banking system, and that these proceeds are received in the currency, and in the manner prescribed by the Commonwealth Bank of Australia. This action is complementary to that taken under other parts of the Banking (Foreign Exchange) Regulations to control the movement out of Australia of capital in the form of securities, gold, and currency.

Provision is made in the regulations for the granting of export licences subject to such terms and conditions as are imposed. On the receipt in Australia by the Commonwealth Bank, or by a bank acting as agent for that Bank, of advice that the foreign currency has been paid to the Commonwealth Bank, or to an agent of the Bank, for goods exported in accordance with a licence granted under the regulations, the Bank, or an agent of the Bank, pays the licensee, or such person as is entitled to receive it, an amount,

in Australian currency, equivalent to the foreign currency received. In addition to commercial transactions, exports by private individuals are controlled. Persons leaving Australia for overseas are required to obtain licences to cover their bona fide baggage, personal effects, and household effects in any individual case where the gold content thereof exceeds £A50, or the value of jewellery and other articles of high intrinsic value exceeds £A250 unless such articles have been the personal property of the passenger for at least twelve months.

The Tariff Board Act 1921–1950 provides for the appointment of a Tariff Board consisting of four members one of whom shall be an Administrative Officer of the Department of Trade and Customs and who may be Chairman. Members of the Board are appointed for a term of not less than one year and not more than three years, and two members may be appointed as a Committee for making special inquiries. The principal duties of the Board are shown in the Year-Book for 1941–42, pages 168 and 169.

Alteration in Values of Imports.

Prior to the year 1947–48, the values of oversea imports are shown in British Currency, but for 1947–48 and subsequent years values are recorded in Australian to take into account differences in currency. This also applies when estimating the balance of trade between Victoria and other countries for years prior to 1947–48.

A reasonably accurate method of converting the values of imports (except gold) from British to Australian currency is to add 14 per cent. to British currency values. Imports of gold up to the year 1946-47 were recorded in sterling. The value of gold imported subsequent to that year was ascertained by multiplying the number of fine ounces imported by the average export price for the year (Australian currency).

Variation in External Exchange Position. The telegraphic transfer selling rate for £100, Australia on London, which had reached £130 10s. on 29th January, 1931, was reduced to £125 10s. on 3rd December, 1931, since when the rate has remained unchanged.

Oversea Trade of Victorian ports for each of the five years 1946–47 to 1950–51 are set forth in the following table. Imports for which Customs entries have been delayed by war conditions, have been recorded in the year in which the entry was passed. Exports do not include the value of stores shipped at Victorian ports on board oversea ships, particulars of which are shown on page 286.

OVERSEA TRADE.—RECORDED VALUES OF IMPORTS INTO AND EXPORTS FROM VICTORIAN PORTS, 1946–47 TO 1950–51.

	Year	ended 30th	June.		Merchandise.	Bullion and Specie.*	Total.
						IMPORTS.	
					(<i>B</i>	ritish Currency),
1947	••;	• •			£ 5 66,951;339	£ 120,386	£ 67,071,725
					(Au	stralian Curren	cv).
1948					120,503,712	96,292	120,600,004
949					145,342,923	230,264	145,573,187
950				٠	182,900,006	1,356,742	184,256,748
1951	••	• •	• •	. ••	262,847,971	218,374	263,066,345
						Exports.	
					(A)	ustralian Curre	ncy).
					£A	£A	£A
947					88,601,624	9,734	88,611,358
1948				•	115,357,695	605,844	115,963,539
1949					136,311,926	147,303	136,459,229
1950					165,851,180	345,393	166,196,573
1951			•		265,012,508	31,505	265,044,013

^{*} Includes gold, silver, and bronze specie, and gold and silver bullion.

Percentage That portion of the value of Commonwealth trade of Common handled at Victorian ports for each of the five years wealth Trade. 1946–47 to 1950–51 is shown in the following table. Prior to the year 1947–48 the values of imports were recorded in British currency:—

Yea	ır		Commonwealth Trade—					nwealth l at s—
ende 30t	ed h		Exports. Imports Relative Total					
Jun	e.	Imports	Australian Currency.	Relative British Currency.	Total.	Imports.	Exports.	Total.
		£ British	£A	£	£ British Currency.	%	%	%.
1947	••	Currency. 183,651,754 Australian Currency.	309,003,740	246,709,574	430,361,328 Australian Currency.	36.5	28.7	32.0
1948		339,746,128	409,954,329		749,700,457	35.5	28.3	$31 \cdot 6$
1949		415,194,200	542,672,708	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	957,866,908	35.1	25 2	29.4
1950	• •	538,068,843	613,696,619	• • •	1,151,765,462	34 2	27.1	30.4
1951	• •	743,870,587	981,796,187	•••	1,725,666,774	35.4	27.0	30.6

Recorded Values of Values of Principal articles imported into Victorian ports are shown in the order in which they appear in the statistical classification of 21 categories. Up to and including the year 1946–47 values were recorded in British Currency but since that year they have been shown in Australian currency:—

VALUES OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES IMPORTED FROM OVERSEA COUNTRIES INTO VICTORIAN PORTS DURING EACH OF THE FINANCIAL YEARS 1946–47 TO 1950–51.

		Year Ended 30th June					
Article.	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.		
	British Currency Values.	Au	ıstralian Cur	rency Value	8.		
CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN, EXCLUDING LIVING ANIMALS.		£Á.	£A.	£A.	£A.		
Cheese	3,719	11,338	7,729	5,593	18,085		
Fish—							
Preserved in Tins	193,532	716,206	626,669	663,789	657,593		
All other	159,687	248,687	286,521	259,435	290,276		
Meats	105,586	116,430	117,348	74,464	117,442		
All other Animal Foodstuffs	46,801	37,729	60,373	66,284	126,186		
Total, Class I	509,325	1,130,390	1,098,640	1,069,565	1,209,582		
CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGE TABLE ORIGIN: NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND SUBSTANCE: USED IN MAKING.	,						
Cocoa and Chocolate	145,969	779,874 107,079 43,091 72,548	747,715 223,767 75,894 71,300	1,460,622 477,814 67,415 62,758	855,656 466,276 82,603 98,013		
Grain and Pulse— Peas All other Tops Nuts. Edible Pickles and Sauces Sago and Tapioca Seeds Spices, n.e.i. Tea All other Vegetable Foodstuffs	28,738 12,275 171,722 1,621 54,743 2,241 145,831 2,019,414	45,632 55,818 57,558 373,505 7,143 109,806 187,496 3,904,171 94,908	19,190 117,745 13,030 290,308 15,301 52,056 946 115,096 2,759,615 46,183	47,180 334,046 74,035 438,772 19,709 34,062 3,224 322,017 4,452,411 165,927	22,510 134,490 160,834 563,177 34,496 50,075 1,759 413,906 5,498,489 178,234		
Total, Class II	2,985,340	5,839,342	4,548,146	7,959,992	8,560,518		

Values of Principal Articles Imported from Oversea Countries into Victorian Ports, 1946-47 to 1950-51—continued.

		Year	ended 30th	June	
Article.	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.
-1	British Currency Values.	A	ustralian C	urrency Val	ues.
CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS AND	£	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
Alcoholic Liquors. Ale, Beer, Porter, &c	3,296	10,412	38,711	23,619	39,808
Brandy	14,047	26,869	35,713	13,829	26,307
Gin	517 52,791	$2,375 \\ 83,141$	5,078 91,008	4,896 115,000	7,469 $140,212$
Other	3,822	18,392	25,368	20,673	46,093
Wine (Fermented)—		1	,		
Sparkling Other	3,136 620	$21,467 \\ 2,900$	$15,727 \\ 6,189$	10,117 11,649	18,056 20,983
		2,800			<u> </u>
Total, Class III	78,229	165,556	217,794	199,783	298,928
CLASS IV.—TOBACCO AND PRE- PARATIONS THEREOF. Tobacco—			-		
Manufactured	44,148	45,932	105,210	80,876	59,788
Unmanufactured	1,241,845	2,215,185	2,062,102	2,487,400	3,248,368 67,723
Cigars	1,190	5,351	20,967 1,084,679	$17,582 \ 1,523,649$	67,723 2,374,062
Snuff	96,877 975	507,867	50	431	935
Total, Class IV	1,385,035	2,774,335	3,273,008	4,109,938	5,750,876
CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS	117,819	133,242	168,168	111,170	148,633
CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES (MAINLY UNMANUFACTURED), NOT FOODSTUFFS. Hides and Skins—					
Hides (Calf. Cattle, and Horse)	397,640	133,867	32 253	24,714	22.342
Hides (Calf, Cattle, and Horse) Skins (Goat)	43,880	50,538	32,253 47,553	1,442	23,865
Other	324,537	457,250	302,325 386,701	349,511	423,728
Silk, Raw Wool	531,266	406,749	386,701	89,633	269,631
All other Animal Substances	295,249 252,715	456,705 248,069	343,301 197,262	536,293 296,826	$726,935 \\ 389,072$
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Total, Class VI	1,845,287	1,753,178	1,309,395	1,298,419	1,855,573
CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUB- STANCES AND FIBRES; CORK AND MANUFACTURES; PLASTIC MOULDING MATERIALS AND		,		÷	
SYNTHETIC FIBRES.					
Fibres— Cotton, Raw	mon rec	7 000 015	1 050 000	4 600 -45	
Flax and Hemp	782,520 166,340	$1,000,041 \\ 230,738$	1,353,991 164,306	$1,038,719 \\ 26,194$	3,362,948
Jute ,,	245,355	617,041	421,073	$26,194 \\ 287,689$	60,405 590,209
Kapok	245,355 70,260	86,154	120,265	136,024	154,598
Grass or Straw, for hatmaking,	378,104	535,213	665,982	808,411	2,143,906
furniture, mats, &c. Gums, Resins, and Balsams	43,584 292,254 519,218 488,645 104,220 104,835	67,283	45,516	47,737	34,521
	292,254	265,908	130,020	143,573	387,225
Plastic Moulding Materials Seeds	519,218	973,547	749,546	910,358	1,375,791
Tanning Substances	104.220	370,974 185,106	394,022 141,895	521,131 $124,083$	486,634 238,416
Cork and Cork Manufactures	104,835	154,484	101,085	115,333	149,483
All other Vegetable Substances	191,132	168,085	254,773	172,459	214,464
Total, Class VII	3,386,467	4,654,574	4,542,474	4,331,711	9,198,600
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Values of Principal Articles Imported from Oversea Countries into Victorian Ports, 1946–47 to 1950–51—continued.

	Year ended 30th June—					
Article.	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.	
	British Currency Values.	A:	ustralian Cu	rrency Valu	es.	
CLASS VIII.—(a) YARNS AND MANUFACTURED FIBRES; (b) TEXTILES; AND (c) APPAREL.	£	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	
(a) Yarns and Manufactured Fibres.			•			
Bags and Sacks— Bran, Chaff, and Compressed Fodder	76,952	347,621	179,427	2,509	191,976	
Corn and Flour Other Cordage and Twines (excluding	1,370,641 90,827	2,013,272 1,044,842	1,968,505 396,432	2,419,455 833,406	2,118,554 747,974	
Metal Cordage)	46,527	160,619	285,811	145,156	322,898	
Yarns— Artificial Silk Cotton Service and other Cletter (Phree de	818,858 821,250	2,106,537 2,111,672	2,568,253 2,425,900	2,170,723 1,264,785	4,076,748 2,985,556	
Sewing and other Cotton Threads, &c	222,789 10,546 22,894	487,152 101,303 33,277	1,002,572 296,840 44,854	661,775 303,686 19,606	924,353 306,749 46,114	
(b) Textiles.						
Piece Goods-						
Canvas and Duck	198,857 3,547,869	446,505 9,180,046	553,966 10,444,426	469,453 9,378,895	713,697 14,219,294	
Goods Silk and Artificial Silk Velvets, Velveteens, Plushes, &c. Woollen	363,852 4,602,857 218,811 236,968	449,863 8,039,013 428,775 680,432	476,765 6,867,942 435,880 2,255,607	$\begin{array}{r} 511,161 \\ 6,115,745 \\ 659,015 \\ 2,558,251 \end{array}$	1,070,666 7,908,571 1,592,325 1,938,605	
Other	322,274 1,152,062	904,516	1,269,524 3,233,449	983,268 3,944,566	1,683,405 5,409,924	
Handkerchiefs and Serviettes of Cotton and Linen Towels and Towelling	193,156 116,942	645,231 344,774	702,317 734,458	441,196 561,273	561,214 401,138	
All other Textiles	243,610	454,778	458,138	540,838	790,444	
(c) Apparel.	1		-			
Boots and Shoes Corsets Furs and other Skins—Dressed Gloves Hats and Caps	25,793 28,726 72,265 158,394 83,796	137,028 56,195 30,358 436,540 132,294	319,454 24,745 54,723 375,110 184,868	356,168 19,025 57,929 361,398 178,178	585,513 23,994 145,484 547,205 332,259	
Hosiery and Knitted Apparel (including Socks and Stockings) Lace for Attire, Lace Flouncings,	6,675	315,989	1,223,734	842,547	600,585	
&c. Shirts, Pyjamas Men's and Boys' Outer Garments Trimmings Other	364,545 70,495 1,468 296,314 240,031	741,397 5,723 312,595 722,714 354,672	650,615 70,469 675,046 678,739 731,447	992,136 77,247 610,617 594,540 1,000,500	1,238,022 78,019 876,277 899,120 1,351,740	
Total, Class VIII	16,027,044	35,705,216	41,590,016	39,075,047	54,688,423	

Values of Principal Articles Imported from Oversea Countries into Victorian Ports, 1946–47 to 1950–51—continued.

		Year	ended 30th	June-	
Article.	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.
	British Currency Values.	A	ustralian Co	irrency Vali	ues.
CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS, AND WAXES.	£	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
Oils— Kerosene, &c. Lubricating (Mineral) Petroleum, Crude Petroleum and Shale Spirit Residual and Solar Linseed Castor Turpentine and Substitutes	429,623 810,086 154,027 2,254,714 962,199 9,641 13,829	983,869 1,126,066 312,694 4,362,843 1,722,279 372,950 241,372	1,131,007 1,214,221 166,674 5,849,809 2,405,268 333,548 40,633	1,134,109 1,227,212 1,009,282 7,684,376 3,004,459 184,952 6	1,584,107 1,301,088 1,321,314 11,164,121 3,320,261 162,862 307,215
therefor	129,918 111,027 331,010	117,449 272,280 602,614	159,488 154,810 824,310	155,091 84,341 504,796	292,286 171,652 887,146
Total, Class IX	5,206,074	10,114,416	12,279,768	14,988,624	20,512,052
CLASS X.—PIGMENTS, PAINTS, AND VARNISHES	377,771	594,279	753,116	606,387	902,472
CLASS XI.—ROCKS, MINERALS, INCLUDING ORES AND CONCENTRATES, AND HYDROCARBONS.					
Sulphur (Brimstone) All other Rocks, Minerals, &c	318,313 356,302	275,714 452,170	311,490 1,314,365	1,317,904 1,947,189	1,830,496 2,124,950
Total, Class XI	674,615	727,884	1,625,855	3,265,093	3,955,446
CLASS XII.—(a) METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES, (b) ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES AND MACHINERY, AND (c) MACHINERY.					
(a) Metals and Metal Manufactures, (except Electric Appliances and Machinery).	,				
Aluminium Copper and Copper Manufactures	30,359	72,479	314,146	289,539	364,884
(except Wire) Heating and Cooking Appliances Iron and Steel— Bar Rod Heap Ingots Blooms	21,213 67,092	114,066 331,732	228,589 192,211	636,057 281,797	1,942,675 599,374
Bar, Rod, Hoop, Ingots, Blooms, &c. Pipes and Tubes Plate and Sheet Other Lamps and Lampware Nickel Plated Ware and Cutlery Tools of Trade (not being Machines)	133,897 26,001 2,368,645 69,624 33,357 8,121 422,538 312,754	222,617 41,497 3,342,625 94,440 57,601 11,001 638,143 707,221	460,111 73,055 3,970,502 137,754 107,011 23,437 417,749 630,759	2,212,260 515,603 6,114,657 1,320,856 125,933 37,962 616,080 849,168	2,043,230 821,110 11,607,766 2,338,114 184,254 23,964 735,646 1,090,617
Motor Cycles, Tricycles, &c. Bodies for Motor Cars, &c. Chassis for Motor Cars, &c.* Aircraft and Parts Other Vehicles and Parts Wie Ali other Metals and Metal Manu-	120,411 140,457 4.441,698 1,516,681 650,027 272,941	407,404 1,029,770 6,260,795 1,233,371 1,124,066 439,556	513,811 2,266,735 10,038,262 1,762,571 1,394,356 740,253	765,987 6,453,131 18,139,551 899,786 2,166,734 2,466,210	618,845 5,472,352 19,854,165 1,034,130 3,912,263 3,228,147
factures other than Machinery	872,934	1,€86,520	2,332,318	3,245,850	5,745,960

^{*} Including complete motor vehicles.

Values of Principal Articles Imported from Oversea Countires into Victorian Ports, 1946–47 to 1950–51—continued.

		Year e	ended 30th	June—	
Article.	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950	1951.
	British Currency Values.	Australian Currency Values.			
CLASS XII.—(a) METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES, (b) ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES AND MACHINERY, AND (c) MACHINERY—continued.	£	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
(b) Dynamo Electrical Machinery and Electrical Appliances and Equipment.					
Cable and Wire, Covered Dynamo Machines Telephones and Switchboards Wireless and Parts Other	202,767 293,402 71,085 91,229 717,916	399,148 638,328 200,532 120,430 1,380,823	776,191 1,244,952 409,445 117,861 2,277,136	1,472,471 1,270,292 531,014 81,234 2,975,207	1,344,047 1,488,743 442,127 137,942 5,384,870
(c) Machines and Machinery (except Dynamo Electrical).					
implements and Machinery (Agricultural, Horticultural, and Viticultural) Refrigerating Appliances and Parts Clothes Washing Machines Vacuum Cleaners and Parts Dredging and Excavating Machinery Metal Working Machinery Motive Power Machinery—	103,349 17,847 12,837 87,168 41,623 687,527	373,605 100,976 104,219 297,576 85,159 2,087,766	303,214 285,189 280,271 174,301 279,464 1,393,917	556,286 556,456 407,722 212,278 452,055 1,683,483	1,006,469 485,458 741,199 362,290 477,318 2,096,740
Aircraft Engines and Parts Motor Car Engines Tractors and Parts Other Roller Bearings and Ball Bearings All other Machines and Machinery	691,982 26,198 1,176,122 446,460 213,965 2,337,656	611,566 56,454 1,441,666 1,157,065 785,936 3,911,489	376,513 103,393 3,279,996 1,443,803 774,729 6,518,622	382,150 62,780 5,524,808 1,820,218 960,205 8,620,723	559,421 101,083 7,099,003 5,503,714 823,582 11,628,423
Total, Class XII	18,727,883	31,567,642	45,642,627	74,706,543	101,299,923
CLASS XIII.—RUBBER AND LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF AND SUBSTITUTES THEREFOR (EXCEPT APPAREL).					
(a) Rubber and Rubber Manufactures. Rubber, Crude, Powdered or Reclaimed	1,538,446 539,123	1,466,227 832,210	1,593,319 1,048,663	1,990,444 1,935,240	9,917,694 2,276,110
Glace Kid All other	2,528 52,516	7,369 217,467	$\begin{array}{c} 10,495 \\ 210,640 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 15,219 \\ 224,724 \end{array}$	13,229 325,793
Total, Class XIII	2,132,613	2,523,273	2,863,117	4,165,627	12,532,826
CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER, RAW AND MANUFACTURED.					
Timber— Dressed Undressed Wood and Wicker Manufactures,	90,866 673,316	491,652 862,566	1,262,785 1,556,938	1,190,983 1,409,565	2,379,824 2,320,885
including Furniture	110,759	194,147	248,220	365,396	428,153
Total, Class XIV	874,941	1,548,365	3,067,943	2,965,944	5,128,862

Values of Principal Articles Imported from Oversea Countries into Victorian Ports, 1946–47 to 1950–51—continued.

4-44.5	-	Year	ended 30th	June—	
Article.	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.
Cruss XX Barrers	British Currency Values.	Aı	ıstralian Cu	rrency Value	38.
CLASS XV.—EARTHENWARE, CEMENT, CHINA, GLASS, AND STONEWARE.	£	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
Cement (Portland) Barthenware, China, &c. Glass and Glassware All other Earthenware, Cement,	4,964 383,495 387,794	22,806 832,834 1,046,351	127,275 1,075,293 890,922	283,539 1,217,539 1,046,728	371,885 1,110,153 1,284,162
China, Glass, and Stoneware	116,698	307,429	450,846	467,480	874,477
Total, Class XV	892,951	2,209,420	2,544,336	3,015,286	3,640,677
CLASS XVI.—PAPER AND STATIONERY.			-		
(a) Pulp, Paper, and Board. Cardboard and other Paper Boards Printing Pulp for Papermaking Wrapping of all Colours Writing and Typewriting Paper All other	152,378- 1,416,939 444,301 398,705 453,099 254,354	531,174 2,595,374 1,044,277 774,703 1,019,607 654,614	340,640 1,766,453 1,270,862 575,504 365,921 964,342	400,754 2,305,575 348,898 358,012 205,530 730,715	1,006,126 3,272,299 1,104,085 1,119,463 537,264 1,540,105
(b) Paper Manufactures and Stationery.					
Books (Printed), Directories, &c. Cigarette Tubes and Papers Price Lists, Catalogues, &c. Pens and Pencils All other	720,239 38,738 1,771 186,992 358,745	964,129 72,869 3,439 506,579 533,809	967,291 8,077 9,117 400,083 459,772	1,142,392 7,047 8,185 469,478 510,176	1,234,046 28,495 9,829 431,085 681,118
Total, Class XVI	4,426,261	8,700,574	7,128,062	6,486,762	10,963,915
CLASS XVII.—SPORTING MATERIAL, TOYS, FANCY GOODS, JEWELLERY, AND TIMEPIECES.				5	
Sporting Material Fancy Goods, Toys, &c. Jewellery, including Cameos, &c. Watches, Clocks, Chronometers, &c.	53,965 390,738 256,342 273,471	113,298 442,639 457,667 478,518	172,858 588,322 544,257 540,260	131,137 790,524 567,407 908,006	213,598 1,146,697 964,420 935,316
Total, Class XVII	974,516	1,492,122	1,845,697	2,397,074	3,260,031
CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL, AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS AND APPLIANCES, AND PHOTO- GRAPHIC GOODS, n.e.i.					
Optical and Meteorological Instruments, &c. Cinematograph Films Photographic Goods, n.e.i. Surgical and Dental Instruments,	111,702 44,316 27,217	136,318 46,321 59,267	89,135 73,500 82,220	123,199 92,136 79,008	179,983 115,896 86,378
&c. Scientific Instruments, &c. All other Optical and Scientific	281,056 184,647	378,317 312,178	400,760 365,884	412,173 388,605	594,792 402,639
Instruments	88,606	160,847	337,166	378,136	457,652
Total, Class XVIII	737,544	1,093,248	1,348,665	1,473,257	1,837,340

Values of Principal Articles Imported from Oversea Countries into Victorian Ports, 1946-47 to 1950-51—continued.

		Year e	ended 30th	June—	
Article.	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.
	British Currency Values.	Au	stralian Cui	rency Valu	28.
CLASS XIX.—DRUGS, FERTILIZERS, AND CHEMICALS.	£	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
Acids	127,698 324,161 502,230 780,470 108,446 85,411 11,889 136,039 51,684 825,206	117,702 417,210 664,285 735,485 97,996 124,908 39,166 336,260 49,590 1,063,316	$\begin{array}{c} 431,646 \\ 1,028,828 \\ 829,645 \\ 68,583 \\ 123,373 \\ 70,090 \\ 498,649 \\ 66,215 \end{array}$		208,130 1,323,501 636,572 763,677 226,114 164,146 84,092 418,934 105,764 1,842,307
Total, Class XIX	2,953,234	3,645,918	4,442,745	3,829,992	5,773,237
CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS. Arms, Ammunition and Explosives Bags, Baskets, Trunks, &c. Brushware Fire Brigade and Life-saving Appliances, n.e.i Outside Packages Vessels (Ships) Total, Class XX CLASS XXI.—GOLD AND SILVEE; AND BRONZE SPECIE.	418,529 83,416 85,687 18,772 1,259,417 62,741 709,828 2,638,390	582,864 118,458 117,831 13,850 2,232,665 283 1,064,787 4,130,738	183,096 90,627 20,986 2,729,854 21,807 1,244,886 5,053,351	3,607,432 13,378 2,394,778 6,843,792	285,482 148,154 14,846 4,399,964 252,571 5,472,665 11,330,055
Gold Silver Bronze Specie	117,643 2,743	93,465 2,814 13	1,056		
Total, Class XXI	120,386	96,292	230,264	1,356,742	218,374
Total Imports	67,071,725	120,600,004	145,573,187	184,256,748	263,066,345

Manufactured articles comprise the major portion of imports into Victoria from countries beyond Australia.

The percentage which the value of each of the more important classes bore to the total value of merchandise imported during 1950–51 was as follows:—Yarns and manufactured fibres, textiles, and apparel 20·8 per cent.; machinery and metal manufactures 38·5 per cent.; oils, &c., 7·8 per cent.; paper manufactures and stationery 4·2 per cent.; rubber and rubber manufactures 4·6 per cent.

Recorded Values of the principal articles exported to oversea countries from Victorian ports during each of the five years 1947–51 are shown in 21 divisions, in accordance with the statistical classification.

VALUES OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES EXPORTED TO OVERSEA COUNTRIES FROM VICTORIAN PORTS DURING EACH OF THE FINANCIAL YEARS 1946-47 TO 1950-51.

(Australian Currency Values.)

Article.		Year e	nded 30th	ded 30th June-			
Alteroite,	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.		
CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN, EXCLUDING LIVING ANIMALS.	£A	£A	£A.	£A.	£A.		
D44	7 700 040	0.010.000	0.040.004				
Cheese	7,766,346 1,430,698	9,212,338 1,697 685		11,224,357	7,803,626		
Eggs	1 125 612	1,564,774		2,492,614 1,435,407	2,640,112		
Infants' and Invalids' Food, n.e.i.	361,397	300,885		304,350	974,294 236,669		
Meats—				001,000	200,000		
Bacon and Hams Preserved by Cold Process—	1	132,791		84,736	67,735		
Beef Lamb	445,946	137,160	122,896	59,173	99,247		
36-44		2,558,208	1,867,851	3,787,556	1,574,490		
Pork		213,859 73,765	278,064 212,424	1,121,897	125,877		
5.75		595,112		168,571	141,804		
Rabbits and Hares*		1,353,986	2,390,701	753,052 2,287,253	1,111,893 1,790,048		
Otner		202,609	214,996	396,584	251,228		
Preserved in Tins	2,061,345	1,525,841		3,336,400	3,643,134		
Sausage Casings Other	271,727	329,684		880,314	875,991		
Other Milk and Cream		44,446		116,434	97,619		
Lioner		2,961,437		4,052,643	3,939,472		
All other Animal Foodstuffs	308,379 65,160	271,178 $100,972$		191,992	44,682		
Total, Class 1			26,704,077	635,740	699,356		
	20,909,225	25,270,750	20,704,077	33,329,073	26,117,277		
CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN; NON- ALCOHOLIC DEVERAGES AND SUBSTANCES USED IN MAKING.		-					
Biscuits	53,966	14,638	1,621	1,907	3,795		
Confectionery	316,233	249,624		1,027,529	383,321		
Fruits, Dried, Fresh		1,554,839	2,404,127	1,969,259	2,635,040		
D		657,620	875,282	779,931	1,390,174		
,, Pulped		1,843,754 29,420		2,066,766	2,577,353		
Grain and Pulse—	07,101	29,420	24,212	35,466	6,535		
Unprepared—			-		1		
Wheat Oats		11,626,097	6,943,781	13,278,364	22,506,610		
Oats		1,401,770	2,963,998	1,602,982	2,126,908		
Barley Other		52,734	1,263,633	1,054,464	1,549,135		
Other Prepared—	224,954	380,136	269,148	129,573	223,302		
Plone (Wheeken)	7,025,624	11 000 000	10 000 001				
Barley—Pearl and Scotch	157,068	474,500	10,802,761	9,535,345	8,675,409		
Rice—Cleaned	142 529	284,654		9,591	6,921		
Oatmeal, Wheatmeal and Rolled	1	201,001	212,403	200,831	241,951		
Oats	424,169	511,783	253,935	172,862	194,922		
Macaroni and Vermicelli		94,506	114,559	82,352	23,237		
Other Jams and Jellies		845,873	1,681,249	119,537	208,136		
Too		925,450	845,667	1,008,761	764,610		
Vegetables (including Tomatoes)		11,488		20,454	18,940		
All other Vegetable Foodstuffs		936,182		893,111	317,329		
	029,476	934,231	1,565,941	775,132	468,506		
Total, Class II	15,015,380	34,483,292	33.848 130	34,764,217	44 999 194		

^{*} Including rabbit and hare meat.

VALUES OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES EXPORTED TO OVERSEA COUNTRIES FROM VICTORIAN PORTS, 1946-47 TO 1950-51—continued.

(Australian Currency Values.)

	l	Year en	nded 30th	June	
Article.	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.
CLASS III.—Spirituous And Alcoholic Liquors	£A 445,355	£A 335,380	£A. 300,638	£A. 254,375	£A. 340,588
CLASS IV.—TOBACCO AND PRE- PARATIONS THEREOF	5,333	16,234	81,035	25,010	13,758
CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS	154,306	77,812	94,932	23,817	51,109
CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES (MAINLY UNMANUFACTURED), NOT FOODSTUFFS.			:		*
Hides and Skins— Hides (Calf, Cattle, Horse) Fox Opossum Rabbit and Hare Sheep Other Wool—	67,295 4,195 63,137 2,020,950 3,550,140 35,872	103,680 3,378 10,505 1,786,345 3,314,618 10,492	219,167 3,393 2,746 1,142,571 3,287,598 7,054	11,674	285,206 10,413 4,159 1,152,272 9,501,115 40,934
Greasy Scoured and Washed Tops, Noils and Waste Other Animal Substances	$\begin{bmatrix} 20,799,838\\ 6,658,839\\ 2,157,926\\ 21,105 \end{bmatrix}$	29,605,003 7,247,658 2,132,359 42,708	8,882,898	$\begin{array}{c} 65,602,743 \\ 11,995,200 \\ 1,547,306 \\ 56,284 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 143,722,594 \\ 21,340,856 \\ 2,733,179 \\ 80,825 \end{array}$
Total, Class VI	35,379,297	44,256,746	65,007,342	85,150,393	178,871,553
CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUB- STANCES AND FIBRES; CORK AND MANUFACTURES, PLASTIC MOULDING MATERIALS AND SYNTHETIC FIBRES	554,744	466,543	244,246	298,319	456,121
CLASS VIII—(a) YARNS AND MANUFACTURED FIBRES; (b) TEXTILES; AND (c) APPAREL.					And And Andrews (No. of Andrews Andrew
Yarns and Manufactured Fibres— Yarns (Woollen) , (Silk) . Other Textiles Apparel— Outer Garments Underwear Boots and Shoes	801,774 2,492 120,609 2,288,343 365,868 60,755 89,330	1,216,660 83,582 100,898 1,422,147 111,277 32,659 24,881	455,377 81,523 31,419 696,111 122,191 15,128 42,546	48,466 17,390 6,444	402,931 25,702 139,886 587,678 9,655 11,885 15,391
Other Total, Class VIII	1,125,717 4,854,888	363,286 3,355,390	99,969		1,311,224
CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS, AND WAXES.	1,007,000	0,000,000	1,544,264	1,000,918	1,011,224
Tallow—Unrefined All other Oils, Fats, and Waxes	94,682 246,875	195,140 375,933	340,858 438,284	725,447 579,123	601,330 484,822
Total, Class IX	341,557	571,073	779,142	1,304,570	1,086,152
CLASS X.—PIGMENTS, PAINTS, AND VARNISHES	43,075	33,067	78,791	101,291	239,987
CLASS XI.—ROCKS, MINERALS INCLUDING ORES AND CONCENTRATES, AND HYDROCARBONS	522,241	436,362	558,861	435,874	1,366,500

VALUES OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES EXPORTED TO OVERSEA COUNTRIES FROM VICTORIAN PORTS, 1946-47 TO 1950-51—continued.

(Australian Currency Values.)

Year ended 30th June-Article. 1947. 1948. 1949. 1950. 1951. CLASS XII.--(a) METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES, (b) ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES AND MACHINERY, £A £A £A £A £A. AND (c) MACHINERY. (a) Metals and Metal Manufactures (except Electrical Appliances and Machinery). Bolts, and Nuts, Rivets and Washers. 28,022 161,506 27,906 84,874 134,369 127,048 30,667 56,605 6,695 335,484 101,335 24,457 75,647 9,328 231,203 190,271 197,578 61,195 187,436 $^{17,483}_{117,728}_{16,855}$ Cadmium—Blocks, Bars, &c. Lead (Pig) 60,450 4,187 121,189Motor Cars, Lorries, &c., and Parts Zinc—Bars, Blocks, &c. All other Metals and Manufactures thereof 133,255 1,496,863 238,812 218,990 1.493.116 1.289.143 998,919 961,954 936,553 (b) Dynamo Electrical Machinery and Electrical Appliances and Equipment .. 258.919 272,123 293,545 232,718 273.567 (c) Machines and Machinery (except Dynamo Electrical). 571,577 953,449 455,038 1,423,060 429,702 1,234,908 $354,048 \\ 1,223,779$ 316,105 1,859,567 Total, Class XII. . . 5,216,260 4,208,962 3,434,016 3.587.766 3,882,224 CLASS XIII.—RUBBER AND LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF AND SUBSTITUTES THEREFOR (EXCEPT APPAREL). Rubber and Manufactures Leather and Manufactures 343,692 176,565 53,288 48,179 50.540: 1,276,901 908,943 834,926 1,049,637 1,484,176 Total, Class XIII. 1,620,593 1,085,508 888,214 1,097,816 1,534,716 CLASS XIV .- WOOD AND WICKER, RAW AND MANUFACTURED ... 69,453 45,145 78.537 72,079 94,348 SS XV. — EARTHENWARE, CEMENT, CHINA, GLASS, AND STONEWARE CLASS 66,775 72,607 60.962 86,575 58.781 CLASS XVI .- PAPER AND STATION-ERY. Paper .. 103,434 58,542 212,82941,845 70,924 52.867 Stationery 240,462 225,549 160,687 210,959 Total, Class XVI. 343.896 267,394 231,611 271.371 263.826

Values of Principal Articles Exported to Oversea Countries from Victorian Ports, 1946–47 to 1950–51—continued.

(Australian Currency Values.)

		Year en	ded 30th Ju	ne—	1
Article.	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.
CLASS XVII.—Sporting MATERIAL, TOYS, FANCY GOODS, JEWELLERY, AND TIMEPIECES.	£A	£A	£A	£A.	£A.
Precious Stones, Unset, Pearls, Cameos, &c. Sporting Material All other Jewellery, Time-pieces, &c.	12,961 53,125 78,838	2,875 88,026 26,797	3,820 92,529 22,123	$\begin{array}{c} 50,375 \\ 60,623 \\ 65,821 \end{array}$	5,051 63,374 118,911
Total, Class XVII	144,924	117,698	118,472	176,819	187,336
CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL, AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS AND APPLIANCES, AND PHOTO- GRAPHIC GOODS, n.e.i	203,781	306,143	233,833	340,599	300,013
CLASS XIX.—DRUGS, FERTILIZERS, AND CHEMICALS. Bacteriological Products and Sera Casein Fertilizers Medicines Oil—Eucalyptus Periumery and Toilet Preparations, n.e.i Soap Yeast Other Drugs and Chemicals Total, Class XIX. CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS.	19,789 60,500 694 296,256 277,026 126,941 156,249 7,066 890,765 1,835,236	16,052 78,500 198,540 198,540 165,370 40,443 16,606 7,494 559,595 1,082,894	16,810 9,350 1,942 362,395 77,284 47,250 40,028 2,246 329,248 886,553	6,983 74,576 7,725 323,870 98,193 24,044 105,259 9,593 456,974 1,107,217	13,101 484,022 36,076 563,142 233,549 32,869 147,299 583,467 2,110,731
Arms, Ammunition and Explosives Matches and Vestas Patriotic Gifts	121,494 32,466 182,472 563,183	45,575 71,580 503,787	38,755 205,095 577,051	45,631 318,669 883,516	53,973 256,746 942,590
Other	899,615	838,407	1,138,270	2,055,021	2,404,130
CLASS XXI.—GOLD AND SILVER; AND BRONZE SPECIE.		-			
Gold Silver Bronze Specie	9,725	605,674 30	$\begin{array}{c} 1,367 \\ 111,286 \\ 34,650 \end{array}$	345,393	31,432 73
Total, Class XXI	9,734	605,844	147,303	345,393	31,505
Australian produce Other produce	88,000,886 610,472	114,212,908 1,750,631	135,296,149 1,163,080	164,907,436 1,289,137	263,711,056 1,332,957
Como- F					

The export trade consists largely of agricultural, dairying, and pastoral products. The value of wool, wheat, flour, butter, fruits (all kinds), meats, hides and skins, milk and cream, cheese and eggs exported during 1950–51, amounted to almost 92 per cent. of the total merchandise (Australian produce) exported—wool alone represented nearly 64 per cent. The total value of exports showed an increase during 1950–51 of £98,847,440 as compared with that of the previous year.

Trade with Countries.

The value of the trade with various countries of the world in each of the five years 1947-51 was as specified in the following table:—

IMPORTS (ACCORDING TO COUNTRY OF ORIGIN) INTO VICTORIAN PORTS FROM VARIOUS COUNTRIES, AND EXPORTS DIRECT THERETO FROM VICTORIAN PORTS, 1946–47 TO 1950–51.

		Value in	Year ended	30th June-			
Imports from	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.		
	British Currency Values.	rrency Australian Currency Values.					
United Kingdom Africa, British East Canada Hong Kong India and Ceylon Malaya (British) and Singapore New Zealand Pacific Islands (British) South African Union West Indies (British) Other British Possessions Bahrein Islands Belgium China Czecho-Slovakia Egypt France Germany Indon esia Italy Japan Netherlands	£ 25,089,477 242,735 258,170 4,737,800,396 1,279,279 1,547,143 47,287 629,533 59,851 801,669 1,323,315 501,783 349,900 38,346 375,342 542,055 110,685 55,608 821,855 535,471 142,371	£A, 48,661,112 180,601 580,368 5,247,001 68,877 11,335,645 1,788,040 1,350,195 198,558 1,194,078 94,1759,779 1,721,610 440,563 714,718 280,212 1,206,719 379,509 938,918 985,011 653,523 853,370	£A 78,446,789 901,725 458,707 3,348,328 144,573 9,402,670 2,380,660 1,433,600 871,503 64,159 1,969,509 1,175,532 983,134 584,617 1,552,682 532,207 1,474,259 969,701 3,645,601 1,640,724 685,800	795,369 795,163 3,540,766	£A. 126,057,551 1,937,121 328,961 4,687,540 377,257 15,007,707 11,156,682 1,205,518 106,966 2,243,669 71,442 4,338,265 3,003,432 4,030,356 728,546 2,364,578 1,122,378 5,222,950 6,939,648 5,629,505 6,939,648 5,857,821 2,971,032		
Norway Persia (Iran) Peru Philippines Republic Spain Sweden Switzerland Soviet Russia (U.S.S.R.) United States of America	$183,890 \\ 2,135,187 \\ 13,406 \\ 99 \\ 11,632 \\ 642,625 \\ 402,970 \\ 8,021 \\ 14,227,684$	1,088,233 3,165,046 2 24,676 46,535 1,985,918 743,390 46,123 27,042,090	1,204,216 3,311,283 20,613 5,210 206,743 3,901,204 768,039 43,842 16,444,543	1,207,241 4,745,055 26,692 30,778 132,054 2,855,171 986,424 182,748 18,666,465	1,681,740 5,423,262 42,414 19,190 341,738 6,172,878 2,517,652 230,370 22,492,473		
Other Foreign Countries Total (excluding Outside Packages*)	1,312,193 65,798,954	2,335,137 118,367,339	142,843,333	3,923,873	258,666,381		

* "Outside Packages," $1946-47,\ \pounds1,259,417$; $1947-48,\ \pounds2,232,665$; $1948-49,\ \pounds2,729,854$; $1949-50,\ \pounds3,607,802$; and $1950-51,\ \pounds4,399,964$.

Exports to—		Australian Currency Values.					
United Kingdom Africa, British East Canada Hong Kong India and Ceylon Malaya (British) and Sin New Zealand	gapore	£A 28,247,445 106,331 59,208 1,911,946 2,416,678 7,316,834 6,060,455 3,878,968	£A 43,924,370 142,178 85,408 1,668,803 2,913,620 13,679,038 5,704,078 4,465,176	£A 54,019,343 212,083 111,608 3,286,456 1,390,423 9,192,762 5,261,501 4,487,918	£A. 60,363,601 136,300 144,680 3,210,111 2,849,520 10,983,474 5,199,066 6,233,410	£A. 77,815,699 176,510 251,813 5,854,442 2,473,273 8,572,164 5,629,280 5,746,016	

Imports (According to Country of Origin) into Victorian Ports from Various Countries, and Exports Direct Thereto from Victorian Ports, 1946–47 to 1950–51—continued.

	Value in Year ended 30th June—								
Exports to—	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.				
		Austral	lian Currency	Values.					
	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.				
Pacific Islands (British)	203,818	283,523	235,056	381.621	384,931				
South African Union	1,740,089	904,330	1,025,950	998,155	1,948,536				
West Indies (British)	87,998	403,265	447,169	667,051	667,621				
Other British Possessions	3,613,375	5,863,771	2,645,062	3,420,470	3,505,301				
Bahrein Islands	22,990	31,966	31,797	86,471	83,260				
Belgium	3,241,045	2,822,414	2,174,934	2,712,739	5,930,92				
China ,	1,804,416	1,011,869	474,163	228,455	237,15				
Czecho-Slovakia	317,523	169,743	314,619	1,781,160	1.428.266				
Egypt	1,959,388	2.111,360	2,852,170	2,218,249	9,178,596				
France	4,366,040	7,304,353	9,904,908	9,775,950	26.181.38				
Jermany	83,732	1,141,279	1,635,470	3,874,089	5,316,71				
ndonesia	30,266	5,813	610,796	190,807	1,137,618				
taly	2,580,989	3,285,383	8,478,145	4,920,902	14,989,08				
Japan	164,347	350,796	991,732	6,311,704	16,660,930				
Netherlands	505,013	473,677	1,414,320	2,751,331	2,683,463				
Norway	153,686	157,093	170,279	457,271	938,165				
Persia (Iran)	256,368	150,856	260,212	561,947	312,584				
Philippines Republic	90,180	55,183	169,665	181,962	150,758				
Poland	256,098	301,859	2,400,125	3,215,986	4,339,154				
Spain ,.	109,448	21.017	19,257	1,037,136	43				
weden	1,021,286	942,942	1,821,833	2.155,485	5,949,313				
Switzerland	305,312	307,330	175,161	515,407	657,252				
Soviet Russia (U.S.S.R.)	262,635	2,027,568	6,186,834	7,458,991	4,704,724				
United States of America	12,785,014	10,650,290	7,746,201	14,564,498	40,973,694				
Other Foreign Countries	2,651,012	2,603,188	6,311,277	6,608,574	10,165,344				
Country not stated	1,425				,,				
Total	88,611,358	115,963,539	136,459,229	166,196,573	265,044,013				

Trade with United Kingdom during 1950-51 represented 48 per cent. and 29 per cent. respectively of the total value of the oversea imports into and exports from Victorian ports during that year. Details of the principal articles interchanged are given hereunder for each of the five years, 1947-1951.

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES INTERCHANGED WITH THE UNITED KINGDOM, 1946-47 TO 1950-51.

A		Year ended 30th June-						
Arucie	Articles.			1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.	
Imports—Articles of United Kingdom origin imported into Victorian ports.		British Currency Values.	Australian Currency Values.					
-			£	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	
Whisky			52,427	82,819	89,962	112,763	136,229	
Cigarettes			65,703	484,569	1,044,235	1.376.687	1,357,519	
Apparel			1,085,822	2,557,474	4,342,484	3,895,407	4,651,540	
Piece Goods—			1 1	/,	-,,	, -,,	, .,,	
Canvas and Ducl	ζ.,		102,290	239,714	265,182	277,250	345,939	
Cotton and Liner	ı		2,022,664	2,998,463	6,226,353	5,800,554	7,846,927	
Silk and Artificia			2,573,250	4,881,937	5,397,094	4,471,712	4,953,265	
Woollen			230,548	645,101	2.229,636	2,520,068	1.886,722	
Velvets		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	54,005	168,080	336,547	396,529	605,950	
Other			279,583	689,071	1.219.400	966,450	1.640.327	

Value of Principal Articles Interchanged with the United Kingdom, 1946-47 to 1950-51—continued.

		Year e	nded 30th J	une—	
Articles.	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.
Imports—Articles of United Kingdom	British Currency Values.	Au	stralian Cur	rency Value	š .
origin imported into Victorian ports—continued.	£	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
	602,808	1,983,629	3,126,957	3,800,829	5,103,817
Floor Coverings Sewing and Embroidery Silks, &c. Yarns, other The tried Machinery for	222,369	352,489	689,419 4,096,371	621,839	904,348 $5,944,536$
Yarns, other Dynamo Electrical Machinery, &c.	1,467,752 1,131,258	2,586,898 2,051,337	4,118,541	3,164,768 5,315,963	7,514,134
Machines and Machinery	4,005,909	7,609,953	13,593,318	12,557,899	17,875,062
Metals and Metal Manufactures—			0.070.408	1 004 591	7,237,235
Iron and Steel	864,929	1,456,043	2,879,403 $68,582$	4,604,581 182,990	346,872
Pipes and Tubes Platedware and Cutlery	20,704 407,875	33,279 616,223	485,529	591,527	672,817
Motor Cars (bodies, chassis, and	401,019	010,220			
parts)	1,784,835	4,325,350	9,885,849	20,551,108	20,076,696
Other Vehicles and parts, n.e.i.	1,784,835 781,551	1,504,744	2,179,649 3,503,199	2,720,233 $5,009,824$	3,743,819 $7,099,145$
Other Metals and Manufactures	1,318,183	$2,604,122 \\ 520,658$	916,043	1,620,117	1,932,880
Rubber and Rubber Goods Crockery and Household Ware	1,318,183 333,866 362,390	782,232	1,022,113	1,191,851	1.079,705
Glass and Glassware	244,195	422,686	520,131	587,713	661,402 3 ,193,345
<u>Paper</u>	542,715	685,064	1,368,214 784,566	1,812,823 $941,842$	3,193,345 1,029,025
Books Sporting Material, Fancy Goods, &c.	539,193 274,540	798,271 $509,034$	690,609	773,240	1,036,204
Drugs and Medicinal Preparations	229,692	324,514	381,182	504,136	944,636
Sodium Salts	101,578	126,091	381,182 187,862 838,605	144,035	219,849
Dves	459,561	580,345	838,605	$\frac{412,679}{380,109}$	493,176 543,718
Arms, Ammunition, and Explosives	172,669	422,095	629,003 12,232	864,040	3,162,493
Houses, &c. (Prefabricated) All other Articles	2,574,613	5,618,827	5,318,519	9,684,079	11,818,219
Total (excluding Outside Packages)	25,089,477	48,661,112	78,446,789	97,855,645	126,057,551
Exports from Victorian ports to		Australi	an Currency	Values.	
Exports from Victorian ports to United Kingdom.	C 4	£A,	€A.	£A.	£A.
Butter:	£A. 6,633,032	8,380,997	8,098,650	9,263,845	5,833,938
Cheese	716,099	1,026,938	1,648,338	1,736,465	1,681,148
Eggs	952,286	1,464,682	1,291,683	1,121,649	937,923
Meats—	3,323,272	2,632,898	1,965,097	4,481,000	959,801
Beef, Mutton and Lamb Pork	133,069	46,626	201,849	141,941	93,241
Preserved in tins	1.155.010	988,020	1,686,825	2,687,060	2,823,706
Rabbits and Hares	499,458 497,417 258,549	1,222,370	2,169,581	2,055,829 1,353,167	1,659,455 $1,416,275$
Other	497,417	900,854 201,277	1,032,099 195,632	585,641	102,828
Milk and Cream	269,280	259,504	440,967	175,100	28,539
Fruits—all kinds	2,238,332	2,940,077	3,409,594	2,142,309	3,471,975
Wheat and Flour	1,210,629	4,959,380	5,633,593	1,679,841	5,779,360
Oats		1,387,186	1,822,113	8,343 910,042	334,855 531,781
Tome and Tallias	971 400				
Jams and Jellies	271,480 67,614	239,988 88,545	651,468 96,313	25,542	16,641
Jams and Jellies Wine, fermented Hides and Skins	271,480 67,614 752,318	88,545 1,056,453	96,313 1,233,538	25,542 1,490,189	16,641 2,565,265
Jams and Jellies Wine, fermented Hides and Skins Flax	67,614 752,318 261,897	88,545 1,056,453 88,746	96,313 1,233,538	25,542 1,490,189	16,641 2,565,265
Jams and Jellies Wine, fermented	67,614 752,318 261,897 6,757,248	88,545 1,056,453 88,746 12,499,144	96,313 1,233,538 18,616,149	25,542 1,490,189 24,437,538	16,641 2,565,265 44,826,959
Jams and Jellies Wine, fermented Hides and Skins Flax Wool Tallow, unrefined	67,614 752,318 261,897	88,545 1,056,453 88,746 12,499,144	96,313 1,233,538 18,616,149	25,542 1,490,189 24,437,538	16,641 2,565,265
Jams and Jellies Wine, fermented Hides and Skins Flax Wool Tallow, unrefined Lead (Pig) Zine (Bars, Blocks, &c.)	67,614 752,318 261,897 6,757,248 9,146	88,545 1,056,453 88,746	96,313 1,233,538	25,542 1,490,189	16,641 2,565,265 44,826,959
Jams and Jellies Wine, fermented Hides and Skins Flax Wool Tallow, unrefined Lead (Pig) Zine (Bars, Blocks, &c.)	67,614 752,318 261,897 6,757,248 9,146 278,400	88,545 1,056,453 88,746 12,499,144 12,753 245,620 56,980	96,313 1,233,538 18,616,149 192,476 49,999 3,611	25,542 1,490,189 24,437,538 547,290 194,916 7,425	16,641 2,565,265 44,826,959 284,307 18,250
Jams and Jellies Wine, fermented Hides and Skins Flax Wool Tallow, unrefined Lead (Pig) Zinc (Bars, Blocks, &c.) Implements and Machinery—Agricultural, &c.	67,614 752,318 261,897 6,757,248 9,146 278,400 20,850	88,545 1,056,453 88,746 12,499,144 12,753 245,620 56,980 35,529	96,313 1,233,538 18,616,149 192,476 49,999 3,611 55,119	25,542 1,490,189 24,437,538 547,290 194,916 7,425 41,838	16,641 2,565,265 44,826,959 284,307 18,250 8,302
Jams and Jellies Wine, fermented Hides and Skins Flax Wool Tallow, unrefined Lead (Pig) Zinc (Bars, Blocks, &c.) Implements and Machinery—Agricultural, &c. Leather, &c.	67,614 752,318 261,897 6,757,248 9,146 278,400 20,850 363,990	88,545 1,056,453 88,746 12,499,144 12,753 245,620 56,980 35,529 375,768	96,313 1,233,538 18,616,149 192,476 49,999 3,611 55,119 306,594	25,542 1,490,189 24,437,538 547,290 194,916 7,425 41,838 321,868	16,641 2,565,265 44,826,959 284,307 18,250 8,302 484,256
Jams and Jellies Wine, fermiented Hides and Skins Flax Wool Tallow, unrefined Lead (Pig) Zinc (Bars, Blocks, &c.) Implements and Machinery—Agricultural, &c. Leather, &c. Soap	67,614 752,318 261,897 6,757,248 9,146 278,400 20,850 363,990 1115	88,545 1,056,453 88,746 12,499,144 12,753 245,620 56,980 35,529 375,768 391	96,313 1,233,538 18,616,149 192,476 49,999 3,611 55,119	25,542 1,490,189 24,437,538 547,290 194,916 7,425 41,838	16,641 2,565,265 44,826,959 284,307 18,250 8,302 484,256 7,477
Jams and Jellies Wine, fermented Hides and Skins Flax Wool Tallow, unrefined Lead (Pig) Zinc (Bars, Blocks, &c.) Implements and Machinery—Agricultural, &c. Leather, &c. Soap Arms, Ammunition, and Explosives Bullion and Specie	67,614 752,318 261,897 6,757,248 9,146 278,400 20,850 363,990 115 18,584 6,652	88,545 1,056,453 88,746 12,499,144 12,753 245,620 56,980 35,529 375,768 391 1,040 604,969	96,313 1,233,538 18,616,149 192,476 49,999 3,611 55,119 306,594 19,853 27,492 1,497	25,542 1,490,189 24,437,538 547,290 194,916 7,425 41,838 321,868 21,944 25,604 345,393	16,641 2,565,265 44,826,959 284,307 18,250 8,302 484,256 7,477 95,368 30,361
Jams and Jellies Wine, fermented Hides and Skins Flax Wool Tallow, unrefined Lead (Pig) Zinc (Bars, Blocks, &c.) Implements and Machinery—Agricultural, &c. Leather, &c. Soap Arms, Ammunition, and Explosives	67,614 752,318 261,897 6,757,248 9,146 278,400 20,850 363,990 115 18,584	88,545 1,056,453 88,746 12,499,144 12,753 245,620 56,980 35,529 375,768 391 1,040	96,313 1,233,538 18,616,149 192,476 49,999 3,611 55,119 306,594 19,853 27,492	25,542 1,490,189 24,437,538 547,290 194,916 7,425 41,838 321,868 21,944 25,604	16,641 2,565,265 44,826,959 284,307 18,250 8,302 484,256 7,477 95,368

Trade with Canada during each of the years 1946–47 to 1950–51 is shown in the following table:—

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES INTERCHANGED WITH CANADA, 1946–47 TO 1950–51.

A45 N	1	Year	ended 30th	June	•				
Articles.	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.				
	British Currency Values	A	 ustralian Cu 	rrency Value	! es. 				
Imports—Articles of Canadian origin imported into Victorian ports.	£	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.				
Fish, preserved in tins Yarns	101,706 25,321 6,061	87,615 65,365 7,366	1,844 30,038 68	501	75				
Piece Goods— Silk	159,334 184,146 41,280	306,803 402,290 35,150	41,322 221,500 37,841	67,877 63,640 93,501	15,445 292,152 138,550				
Machines and Machinery— Electrical Machinery and appliances	38,020	111,913	175,433	260,431	395,958				
Metals and Metal Manufactures— Iron and Steel Nickel	81,473 34,881 5,883	204,488 63,575 5,052	222,327 63,298 2,297	206,059 140,456 1,803	233,804 167,083 2,014				
Vehicles— Motor Car Chassis and Parts Other Other Metals, &c.	1,627,426 80,273 81,008	1,473,616 83,135 140,877	1,315,937 62,946 180,483	1,525,429 66,360 206,806	2,256,944 103,764 198,866				
Timber Paper— Pulp	569,174 66,488	384,125 112,639	339,480	292,182	482,467 49,592				
Newsprint	954,706 176,442 135,766 368,492	1,004,618 339,290 66,503 352,581	423,241 1,123 34,783 194,365	457,333 550 56,062 101,711	40,554 3,886 52,987 253,399				
Total (excluding Outside Packages)	4,737,880	5,247,001	3,348,326	3,540,706	4,687,540				
	Australian Currency Values.								
Exports from Victorian ports to Canada.	£A.	£A.	f £A.	£A.	£A.				
Butter	94,608		374,696	1,122					
Sausage Casings Fruits— Dried	59,484	58,644	66,267	162,513	151,210				
Preserved in Liquid Spirituous and Alcoholic Liquors Hides and Skins—	466,482 7,999	71,278 8,767	1,074,815 156,148 9,650	1,015,526 $150,795$ $9,255$	1,192,309 97,862 14,506				
Rabbit and Hare Wool	114,980 18,970 909,968	22,884 930 $1,241,027$	48,110 $2,735$ $1,370,082$	3,946 $14,791$ $1,719,495$	11,415 $67,406$ $3,653,868$				
Vegetable Substances and Fibres Fallow, unrefined All other Articles	249 1,090 238,116	2,604 30,936 231,733	545 23,529 159,879	1,041 131,627	1,801 664,065				
Total	1,911,946	1,668,803	3,286,456	3,210,111	5,854,442				

Trade with France.

Trade between Victoria and France virtually ceased when that country was occupied by Germany in 1940 and did not resume to any extent until the year 1945–46.

Particulars of the value of the principal articles interchanged during each of the years 1946–47 to 1950–51 were as follows:—

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES INTERCHANGED WITH FRANCE, 1946–47 TO 1950–51.

Articles.		Year	ended 30th J	une—	
Afficies.	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.
Imports — Articles of	British		1.1		
French origin imported	Currency	$A\imath$	ıstralian Cu	rrency Valu	es.
into Victorian Ports.	Values.	. ,			
re 411	£	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
Textiles— Piece Goods	280,579	334.386	358,816	381.131	709,593
Floor Coverings	280,379	75,334	269	350	7,683
	24,907	10,000	209	300	1,000
Apparel— Trimmings and Orna-					
ments	96,115	344,963	289,817	458,396	668,524
0.1	4,132	5.558	39,637	93,955	157,211
**	,	26,271	182,447	54,168	158,026
Yarns Metals and Metal	• •	20,211	102,441	01,100	100,020
Manufactures	3,843	46,348	83,629	1,141,400	1.998,048
Machines and Machinery	8,959	11,740	36,695	104,449	230,823
Pulp, Paper, and Board	19,021	70,332	65,164	90,244	78,941
Drugs and Chemicals	28,825	56,125	87,324	147,056	264,040
Stationery and Books	14,939	33,064	9,235	3,483	3.751
Wine and Spirits	19,212	57,936	65,879	37,109	68,503
All other Articles	41,413	144,662	255,347	£63,934	877,807
An other Artheres		111,002			
otal (excluding					
Outside Packages)	542,005	1,206,719	1,474,259	3,475,675	5,222,950
		!			
Exports — From Vic-			~		
torian Ports to France		Australu	an Currency	Values.	
	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
Butter		!	4,480	6,246	
TITL	• • •	308,982	4,400	,	
0.1	• • •	300,902	351,588	• •	
Mr	• • •	107,335	391,000		
		154,800			
Flour (wheaten) Hides and Skins	1.230.490	1,989,931	1,399,174	1,803,607	5,228,439
*** 1	2,916,201	4,658,803	8,134,248	7,919,835	20,899,830
Wool Rocks, Minerals, &c.	63,344	51,915	0,134,240	1,010,000	20,000,000
3 T T 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	133,711	91,919			1
TR 1 4 69	11,185	25,441	3,688	15,864	23,333
	11,185	7,146	11,730	30,398	29,783
All other Articles	11,109	1,140	11,730	30,386	20,100
Total	4 366 040	7 304 353	9 904 908	9 775 950	26,181,385
Total	4,366,040	7,304,353	9,904,908	9,775,950	26,181,3

Trade with Italy.

The following table shows the values of the principal articles interchanged between Victoria and Italy during each of the years 1946–47 to 1950–51. During the war period trade with Italy was suspended.

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES INTERCHANGED WITH ITALY 1946-47 TO 1950-51.

A-44-3	Year ended 30th June—							
Articles.	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.			
	British							
Imports — Articles of Italian origin imported into Victorian Ports.	Currency Values.	A	ustralian Cu	urrency Val	ues.			
	£	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.			
Yarns Γextiles—	83	274,121	383,940	190,547	286,490			
Piece Goods	702,473	380,046	761,817	1,443,859	2,911,209			
Other	31,499	89,236	15,062	67,786	132,642			
Apparel Sulphur (including	18,462	58,150	70,573	306,345	591,388			
Brimstone)			228	718,155	1,547,931			
Nuts (edible) Motor Vehicles—Bodies,	••	24,797	35,716	79,631	84,139			
Chassis, &c.	156	15,337	43.071	292,498	196,778			
Machines and Machinery Jewellery and Time-	1,385	19,422	90,941	184,032	321,636			
pieces	238	12,231	13,792	23,650	27,752			
Musical Instruments	2,979	12,470	24,199	46,042	61,222			
All other Articles	64,580	99,201	201,385	314,952	862,993			
Total (excluding Outside Packages)	821,855	985,011	1,640,724	3,667,497	7,024,180			
Exports — From Victorian Ports to Italy.		Austral	ian Currenc	y Values.				
· ·	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.			
Meats	4,979	69,662	61,978	93,048	11,196			
Wheat Barley (Pearl and	••				3,356,352			
Scotch)		407,889	37,099					
Barley (unprepared)			414,940	12,046				
Flour		139,814		169,593	8,217			
Prepared Breakfast			1 490 00~		1			
Foods—Oatmeal, &c. Hides and Skins	10.047	528,480	1,439,905	1,050	58,489			
TT 1	49,847	37,277	168,048	131,544	141,356			
VY:-11	2,237,479	1,991,442	6,281,070	4,418,668	11,245,473			
All other Articles	119,173 169,511	110,819	75,105	94,953	1,520 166,482			
Total	2,580,989	3,285,383	8,478,145	4,920,902	14,989,085			

As Belgium was occupied by Germany in 1940, trade between that country and Victoria was suspended during each of the years 1940-41 to 1944-45. Trade relations were resumed in 1945-46 and the value of the principal articles interchanged during each of the years 1946-47 to 1950-51 is shown in the following table:—

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES INTERCHANGED WITH BELGIUM, 1946–47 TO 1950–51.

	Year ended 30th June—							
Articles.	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.			
Imports — Articles of Belgian origin im-	British Currency			77.7				
ported into Victorian Ports.	Values.	A	ıstralian Cu	rrency vaiu	es. !			
	£	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.			
Textiles—								
Piece Goods	301,982	899,895	414,073	32,193	538,889			
Other	57,375	269,630	27,608	22	71,232			
Yarns	4,301	649	197,732	96,101	363,713			
Iron and Steel	1	2.803	8,764	475,205	1,089,533			
Copper and Copper		'		,				
Manufacture (except	· ·							
Wire)					654,634			
Wire	10		, .,	354,202	519,251			
Glass and Glassware	67,506	259,158	163,160	203,015	246,082			
Pulp, Paper, and Board	2,150	37,094	119	305	57,697			
		3,128	1,180	1,853	2,908			
Stationery and Books	2,989	3,128	1,100	1,000	2,900			
Jewellery and Time-	04.001	45 405	7. 400	15 004	00 500			
pieces	34,961	45,465	7,429	17,804	89,568			
All other Articles	30,509	203,788	163,069	106,412	396,849			
Total (excluding								
Outside Packages)	501,783	1,721,610	983,134	1,287,112	4,030,356			
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Exports — From Vic-		Austral	lian Currenc	y Values.				
torian Ports to Belgium.	0.4		f e.a	£A.	£A.			
· ·	£A.	£A.	£A.					
Milk and Cream	4,388	57,395	26,413	18,819	22,397			
Barley	126,883			36,890	106,200			
Hides and Skins	373,310	214,174	418,827	366.827	454,920			
Wool	2,572,330	2,214,094	1,511,405	2,065,596	4,877,170			
Oatmeal, Wheatmeal,	_,0.1_,000	=,=: ,001	1,022,-00	_,,,,,,,,,	_,,			
and Rolled Oats		115,748	22,071					
n.c	11,565	62,804	80,581	44,914	239			
Meats Metals, &c.—	11,000	02,004	00,001	12,012	200			
T 1	22,212	41,055	57,487	625	37			
		35,348	8,613	17,053	5,470			
Other	853							
All other Articles	129,504	81,796	49,537	162,015	464,490			
Total	3,241,045	2,822,414	2,174,934	2,712,739	5,930,923			

Trade with India and Ceylon. The values of the principal articles interchanged between Victoria and India and Ceylon for each of the years 1946–47 to 1950–51, are shown in the following table:—

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES INTERCHANGED WITH INDIA AND CEYLON, 1946–47 TO 1950–51.

Anti-lo-		Year	ended 30th	June-	
Articles.	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.
	British Currency Values.	A :	ustralian Cu	rrency Value	28.
Imports—Articles of Indian and Cingalese origin imported into Victorian ports.	£	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
Cocoa Beans Nuts (edible) Spices Tea Hides and Skins Fibres Gums and Resins	6,748 163,441 39,872 2,017,424 89,243 644,475 46,805	10,346 342,607 10,913 3,879,471 62,451 1,122,333 54,523	6,507 240,879 25,038 2,744,395 55,502 1,255,954 53,334	9,042 296,559 67,909 4,304,162 1,064 531,135 45,209	15,701 347,337 59,251 5,001,059 24,263 729,085 92,767
Seeds— Linseed Other Apparel Textiles— Piece Goods—	111,265 169,819 21,088	152,972 1,425 11,756	177,597 5,265	174,846 11,933 7,152	221,617 41,791 6,560
Canvas and Duck Cotten and Linen Hessians Other Floor Coverings Other Textiles Bags and Sacks	34,969 761,813 337,719 3,615 385,053 49,362 1,518,154	78,670 621,277 416,395 10,406 73,060 97,930 3,389,582	73,716 791,150 428,202 18,158 64,919 55,047 2,532,434	75,613 1,162,325 469,698 25,914 79,843 45,672 3,233,790	198,738 1,682,084 825,694 25,938 129,574 42,845 3,037,836
Cordage and Twine Yarns	76,569	26,692	26,892	1,933 16,070	2,503 189,282
Linseed Castor Waxes Rubber, &c. All other Articles	9,641 13,826 94,616 514,531 150,348	318,936 239,810 171,777 97,285 193,048	129,982 40,627 101,452 63,328 512,292	184,952 56,831 30,208 752,160	63,268 298,435 13,602 419,724 1,538,753
Total (excluding Outside Packages)	7,260,396	11,383,665	9,402,670	11,584,020	15,007,707
Exports from Victorian ports to		Austral	ian Currenc	y Values.	1 1887 1887 1887
India and Ceylon.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
Butter Cheese Meats Meats Milk and Cream Biscuits Hay and Chaft Fruits (all kinds) Wheat Flour Other Grain and Pulse Spirituous and Alcoholic Liquors—	112,996 127,285 152,348 753,569 13,309 3,101 80,987 7,518 2,184,350 312,107	177,564 45,344 135,498 693,581 2,252 1,810 39,649 7,156,883 2,934,087 293,795	188,328 147,089 45,075 718,324 81 1,956 83,110 1,552,363 3,634,346 895,383	$\begin{array}{c} 274,052\\ 102,537\\ 39,841\\ 534,230\\ 29\\ 4,273\\ 52,123\\ 5,959,971\\ 3,066,399\\ 138,985\\ \end{array}$	330,946 95,734 68,432 595,134 125 2,548 62,725 3,101,279 2,317,188 58,304
Ale and Beer Other	137 19,189	932 3,318	$\frac{24}{11,727}$	70 2,457	$\begin{array}{c} 151 \\ 7,713 \end{array}$

Value of Principal Articles Interchanged with India and Ceylon, 1946–47 to 1950–51—continued.

	Year ended 30th June—						
Articles.	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.		
		Australia	 an Currency	Values.			
Exports from Victorian ports to	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.		
India and Ceylon—continued.			1				
Jams and Jellies	74,214	42,714	9,845	15,236	26,252		
Vegetables	98,699	127,412	16,189	10,155	11,007		
Horses	50,324	13,189	6,741	3,847	10,701		
Wool	607,683	869,112	1,154,095	193,783	1,357,344		
Apparel—	1	1			ļ		
Underwear	10,812	4,460	912				
Other	115,355	18,051	6,630	514	460		
Yarns, Wool	14,783	37,158	36,657		2,118		
Callow, unrefined	83,815	148,406	104,275	82,762	133,109		
Zinc (bars, blocks, &c.)	1,151,623	114,506		76,137	24,450		
Soap	3,591	25		128			
Arms, Ammunition, and Explosives	8,304		5	78,229	82,380		
All other Articles	1,330,735	819,292	579,607	347,716	284,064		
Total	7,316,834	13,679,038	9,192,762	10,983,474	8,572,164		

Trade with New Zealand. The values of the principal articles interchanged with New Zealand for each of the years 1946-47 to 1950-51 were as follows:—

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES INTERCHANGED WITH NEW ZEALAND, 1946–47 TO 1950–51.

	Year ended 30th June-						
Articles.	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.		
	British Currency Values.	A	ustralian Cu	rrency Value	; ;e. ¥ [†]		
Imports—Articles of New Zealand origin imported into Victorian ports.	£	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.		
Fish	144,077	149,068	171,544 20	139,125 5,546	41,254 4,541		
Milk and Cream	36,680	16,974	22,386	15,477	12,266		
Grain and Pulse	46,540	47,193	21,406	52,276	22,402		
Animals (horses, cattle, sheep, and	20,020	,	1	,	· ·		
pigs)	64,342	62,675	54,732	28,763	10.129		
Hides and Skins	421,465	111,667	43,616	18,464	20,779		
Wool	272,618	443,630	314,186	507,330	501,420		
Marine Animal (incl. Fish) Oils	36,010	26,222	26,488	30,625	48,284		
Crockery and Householdware	7,667	24,729	37,118	14,304	2,215		
Seeds	181,302	96,101	112,951	188,044	138,220		
Timber	40,870	76,100	226,384	156,400	63,463 155,356		
Gold and Silver	114,933	66,946	155,834	1,219,415			
All other Articles	180,639	229,490	246,935	193,619	185,189		
Total (excluding Outside Packages)	1,547,143	1,350,795	1,433,600	2,569,388	1,205,518		

Value of Principal Articles Interchanged with New Zealand, 1946-47 to 1950-51—continued.

Articles.		Year ended 30th June—					
Ar ordes.		1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.	
•			4		77-7		
			1	an Currency	1	1	
Exports from Victorian po New Zealand.	orts to	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	
Eggs	٠	122,382	72,101	254,656	173,722	10	
Fruits, all kinds		254,487	445,280	659,110	710,368	655,112	
Grain and Pulse-							
Wheat		304,177	13,306	219,305	1,487,352	912,929	
Flour		4,264			1,054	256,568	
Rice and Rice Meal	• •	36,225	22,975	17,026	36,121	20,473	
Spirituous and Alcoholic Liq	uors	87,895	130,879	102,515	150,547	213,069	
Wool		38,593	122,377	281,963	200,871	170,243	
Apparel	••	102,695	106,102	23,953	23,104	17,988	
Textiles		268,634	609,364	320,280	305,067	198,307	
Yarns and Manufactured Fil	ores	398,074	436,010	289,854	264,127	370,085	
Oils		12,048	14,724	8,673	17,701	19,043	
Machines and Machinery		330,197	524,564	496,095	587,268	730,719	
Metal Manufactures		325,516	528,873	545,474	608,720	577,816	
Rubber Manufactures		314,096	148,611	37,329	20,094	. 18,336	
Leather, &c		107,160	57,343	42,248	59,947	67,377	
Books		123,445	101,032	76,007	114,799	93,492	
Photographic goods and ma	terials	101,112	182,534	137,510	230,131	195,814	
Drugs and Chemicals		154,149	232,426	171,429	248,823	239,240	
Arms, Ammunition, and Exp.	losives	85,117	80,814	119,804	171,965	104,841	
All other Articles	••	708,702	635,861	684,687	821,629	884,654	
Australian produce		3,785,488	4,326,335	4,334,863	6,065,675	5,675,655	
Other produce	••	93,480	138,841	153,055	167,735	70,361	
Total		3,878,968	4,465,176	4,487,918	6,233,410	5,746,016	

Trade with United States of America for each of the years 1946-47 to 1950-51 are shown in the following table:—

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES INTERCHANGED WITH THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, 1946-47 TO 1950-51.

	Year ended 30th June—					
Articles.						
	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.	
	British Currency Values.	Australian Currency Values.				
	£	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	
mports—Articles of United States origin imported into Victorian ports.				And Commence of the Commence o		
lausage Casings	66,370	87,996	82,201	39,174	75,810	
Cobacco, Cigars and Cigarettes	1,090,863	2,009,673 180,278	1,398,425 134,472	$1,946,379 \\ 13$	2,162,267 56	
Cotton, raw	92,936 167,467	106,261	77,240	76,616	107,48	
Plastic Materials	258,064	522,233	250,564	319,815	396,06	
Textiles— Piece Goods	1 988 998	5,991,295	1,002,788	570,557	263,97	
Piece Goods	1,366,386 35,986	90,110	914	1,327	9,12	
Manufactured Fibres and Yarns	45,537	1,131,094	358,675	45,825	161,90	
Oils	1,248,204	2,528,701 186,716	2,211,533 234,565	1,491,336 $214,618$	1,415,83 $431,29$	
Pigments, Paints and Varnishes	146,437 14,990	13.930	1,868	769	1.08	
Electrical Machines and Appliances	296,438	13,930 501,791	381,017	394,244	535,79	
Metal Working Machinery	228,522	925,068	313,542	330,269	550,45	
Metal Working Machinery Motive Power Machinery—	,	000.001	049.076	16,228	27,41	
Aircraft Engines and Parts	165,664	388,081 1,426,179	343,876 1,962,218	3,149,363	4,092,39	
Other Roller Bearings and Ball Bearings	1,151,546 78,469	467,937	280,661	422,525	412,51	
Other Machines and Machinery	904,572	1,318,834	1,247,255	2,230,932	2,328,22	
Metals and Metal Manufactures—	4 000 000	0 100 640	1,515,861	1,953,258	3,274,72	
Iron and Steel Tools of Trade	1,638,368 52,432	2,109,640 133,634	47,633	71,347	71,66	
Tools of Trade	32,432	100,001	•			
Motor Bodies, Chassis, &c	1,169,011	1,463,657	997,218	1,665,690	2,178,30	
Aircraft	1,163,273	778,244	1,123,901	572,379	729,66 640,01	
Other Other Metals, &c	220,632	243,156 398,406	$243,225 \\ 324,982$	351,588 466,230	263,45	
Rubber, &c	153,263 199,591	259,532	127,135	228,850	183,93	
Tim her	83,764	524,684	331,704	463,400	411,83	
Glass and Glassware	48,291	97,468	12,947	20,003	27,58	
Pulp for Papermaking	26,903	373,473 737,448	$13,515 \\ 130,457$	$3,429 \\ 148,927$	203,88	
Paper and Board Stationery &c	460,176 199,801	194,934	166,334	147,322	160,21	
Stationery, &c Jewellery, Timepieces, and Fancy Goods, &c.	100,001		,			
Goods, &c	17,384	14,384	7,564	5,868	15,08	
Optical, Surgical, and Scientific	286,480	251,925	145,704	196,013	168,40	
Instruments	318,193	275,611	311,105	473,447	282,39	
Drugs and Chemicals	389,343 17,204	619,425	367,433	292,329	445,25	
Arms, Ammunition, and Explosives	17,204	9,735	26,102	3,862	5,3	
The pulgace and the paying	3,502	1,167	552	3,630	6,1	
Vessels (Ships)	121		20,772		1	
All other Articles	421,501	679,390	248,585	348,903	452,1	
		<u> </u>			·	
Total (excluding Outside	14 997 894	27,042,090	16 444 542	18,666,465	22,492 4	
Packages)	14,221,084	21,042,090	10,111,010	1.20,000,200	22,202,2	

Value of Principal Articles Interchanged with the United States of America, 1946–47 to 1950–51—continued.

A	Year ended 30th June-					
Articles.	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.	1 951.	
		Austrai	 lian Curreno	y Values.	1	
Exports from Victorian ports to the United States.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	
Sausage Casings	119,538	102,335	104,464	335,512	428,330	
Rabbits and Hares (frozen)	3	26,044	92,289	129,785	91,220	
Hides and Skins	3,028,945	1,758,192	1,157,615	1,784,411	2,202,543	
Wool	8,710,721	8,041,527	5,298,859	11,654,821	36,356,608	
Seeds—Agricultural and Vegetable	83,594	94,676	105,809	134,722	94,597	
Vegetable Fibres—Rag, Clippings,	00.010	20.005		20.400		
&c	38,818	39,225	11,752	26,128	49,915	
Machines and Machinery	3,642	28,258	20,460	19,043	19,066	
Lead (Pig)	• •	0.005	28,068	0,045		
Loothon fro	19,768	2,275	74,863	31,845	82,826	
Muse bentus Oil	109,859	2,958	9,002	4,981	9,840	
All odbom Amtiolog	670,126	57,559	28,925	22,111	62,245	
An other Articles		497,241	814,095	421,139	1,576,504	
Total	12,785,014	10,650,290	7,746,201	14,564,498	40.973.694	

Principal Exports— Quantities and Values. Particulars relating to quantities and values of the principal commodities exported from Victorian ports to oversea countries are given in the following table:—

PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES EXPORTED OVERSEAS FROM VICTORIAN PORTS DURING EACH OF THE YEARS 1947–48 TO 1950–51.

(AUSTRALIAN CURRENCY VALUES.)

							
Commodity.			1947-48.	1948-49.	1949–50.	1950–51.	
Wool—							
Greasy	• •	`{	ՈՒ. Ք	172,361,720 29,605,003	229,736,479 49,294,258	228,963,233 65,602,743	219,644,651 143,722,594
Scoured and V	Vashed	…{	lb.	40,605,587 7,247,658	41,428,700 8,882,898	40,345,176 11,995,200	32,164,369 21,340,856
Tops, Noils, ar	nd Waste	{	1b.	8,939,815 2,132,359	8,542,137 2,144,909	6,948,949 1,547,306	5,711,007 2,733,179
Butter	••	{	lb. £	82,259,802 9,212,338	74,548,505 9,848,294	79,880,052 11,224,357	50,389,605 7,803,626
Wheat	••	{	tons £	354,261 11,626,097	259,690 6,9 43 ,781	451,614 13,278,364	716,076 22,506,610
Flour (wheaten)	••	{	centals £	5,913,322 11,653,993	5,457,734 10,802,761	5,825,387 9,535,345	4,664,413 8,675,409

PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES EXPORTED OVERSEAS FROM VICTORIAN PORTS DURING EACH OF THE YEARS 1947–48 TO 1950–51—continued.

(Australian Currency Values.)

Commodity	•		1947-48.	1948-49.	1949–50.	1950–51.
ruits—						
Dried	{	lb. £	63,918,567 1,554,839	$89,417,178 \\ 2,404,127$	68,574,973 1,969,259	60,682,647 2,635,040
Fresh—Oranges	{	lb. £	7,278,500 154,451	8,946,400 170,634	9,831,200 227,239	9,293,568 275,284
Apples	}	lb.	6,349,600 112,217	7,460,400 184,493	1,998,800 55,489	5,685,540 154,865
Pears	}	£ lb.	17,895,000	21,951,100	18,255,400	28,993,97
All Other	٠. ١	£	$\begin{array}{c} 364,380 \\ 26,572 \end{array}$	469,315 50,840	460,875 36,328	940,590 19,43
Preserved in Liquid	{	lb. £	60,326,484 1,843,754	$\begin{array}{c} 81,817,460 \\ 2,761,821 \end{array}$	59,576,810 2,066,766	56,139,98 $2,577,35$
leats—	•					
Beef (frozen)	{	lb.	4,121,732 137,160	2,426,953 $122,896$ $45,879,001$	1,493,865 59,173 82,685,038	1,593,22 $99,24$ $30,296,92$
Lamb (frozen)	{	lb. £	66,926,694 2,558,208	1,867,851	3,787,556	1,574,49
Mutton (frozen)	{	lb. £	10,815,783 213,859	12,620,225 278,064	47,773,953 1,121,897	3,573,67 125,87
Pork (frozen)	₹	lb. £	1,160,739 73,765	$3,212,503 \\ 212,424$	$2,066,625 \\ 168,471$	1,450,27 $141,80$
Poultry (frozen)	٠. ر	£	595,112	644,470	753,052	1,111,89
Rabbits and Hares (fro	zen) {	pairs	9,422,193 1,353,986	$14,993,415 \\ 2,390,701$	$\substack{12,517,165\\2,259,068}$	6,572,06 $1,752,63$
Preserved in tins	٠. }	£ lb.	26,543,062	46,460,459	46,249,014	39,766,89
Sausage Casings	}	£ cwt.	1,525,841 $9,115$	$2,545,970 \\ 8,776$	3,336,400 17,558	3,643,13 10,30
All other	٠. ٦	£	329,684 379,846	$\frac{386,030}{421,321}$	880,314 625,989	875,99 $453,99$
Milk and Cream		£	2,961,437	3,271,799	4,052,643	3,939,47
Hides and Skins-					•	
Sheep (with wool)	∫	lb.	32,038,120	30,768,333	39,655,520	26,437,77
Calf, Cattle, Horse	٠. }	£ No.	$3,246,515 \\ 31,321$	3,230,725 $73,479$	4,431,736 $81,169$	8,625,09 48,08
Rabbit and Hare	}	£ lb.	103,680 5,520,569	219,167 4,110,507	266,893 3,989,228	285,20 $5,979,88$
	{	£	1,786,345	1,142,571	598,594	1,152,27
Other Skins	• •	£	92,478	70,066	648,640	931,52
Tallow (unrefined)	{	cwt. £	30,324 195,140	56,573 340,858	176,293 725,447	118,34 601,33
Eggs in shell	{	$_{\pounds}^{\mathbf{dozen}}$	4,195,405 461,553	5,128,724 601,628	7,390,064 975,933	4,125,68 584,18
Eggs not in shell	••	£	1,103,221	978,966	459,474	390,10
Cheese	{	lb. £	25,575,894 1,697,685	29,536,079 2,169,093	30,758,678 2,492,614	29,156,56 2,640,11

Ships' Stores. Prior to 1906 goods shipped at Victorian ports on board oversea vessels as ships' stores were included in particulars of exports. From 1906 the information has been excluded from the export figures. The nature and value of these stores shipped during each of the years 1946–47 to 1950–51 are given in the following table:—

VICTORIA—VALUE OF STORES SHIPPED ON OVERSEA VESSELS, 1946–47 TO 1950–51.

Item.		Year	ended 30th	June—	
rtem.	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.
		Australian	Currency V	alues.	,
	£A	£A	£A.	£A.	£A.
Ale, Beer, and Porter	19,442	20,271	28,343	27,511	20,114
Butter	13,859	28,159	53,752	50,660	102,941
Cheese	3,762	4,401	6,108	12,670	12,254
Coal (Bunker)	13,178	10,717	2,147	102	298
Coffee, Cocoa, and Chocolate	5,631	5,695	8,000	16,752	22,707
Cordage and Twines	3,276	2,739	2,799	4,765	8,165
Eggs	9,131	17,194	29,358	45,869	63,351
Fish	25,295	47,236	48,983	47,759	43,159
Fruits (all kinds)	16,155	19,778	22,005	46,238	64,366
Fruit and Vegetables (in liquid)	4.896	3,549	8,685	15,636	26,420
Vegetables	15,212	20,757	34,979	39,690	47,496
Flour (wheaten)	17,939	14,916	56,756	35,362	25,767
Rice	5,150	15,869	20,627	28,682	44,083
Jams and Jellies	2,158	2.064	4.293	5,579	6,763
Meats	113,687	143,501	208,835	284,021	457,297
Milk and Cream (preserved)	12,583	14,030	48,009	34,288	55,285
Oils for use as fuel in vessels	372,934	452,992	463,264	274,623	379,151
Oils for use as fuel in aircraft	6,723	8,694	1,203	2,896	1,122
Oils, other	38,331	29.847	42.085	42,009	30,696
Paints and Colours	18,691	11.611	11,260	11,983	10,147
Potatoes	10,505	10,061	11,859	20,509	26,926
Contaite	4,525	6,044	5,726	6,776	7,372
Curren	5,239	7,457	10,636	19,752	20,051
The o	6,356	9,183	6,861	7,398	8,390
Tobacco, Cigars and Cigarettes	20,260	12,363	11,306	15.044	22,357
All other Articles	111,308	182,302	153,803	272,673	197,758
Australian Produce	533,854	787,957	1,145,721	1,251,331	1,647,547
Other Produce	342,372	313,473	155,961	117,916	56,889
Total	876,226	1,101,430	1,301,682	1,369,247	1,704,436

Customs and Excise Revenue. The oversea trade and the gross revenue collected at Victorian ports, during the year 1950–51, are shown in the following statement:—

OVERSEA TRADE AND GROSS REVENUE COLLECTED AT VICTORIAN PORTS, 1950-51.

(Australian Currency Values.)

 .	Melbourne. Geelong.		Portland.	Essendon Airport.	Parcels Post.	Total.
Overseas Trade—	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
Imports Exports	252,016,425 234,621,040	8,415,620 27,906,620	$\substack{630,492 \\ 2,117,366}$	392,189 21,866	$\substack{1,611,619\\377,121}$	263,066,345 265,044,013
Total	486,637,465	36,322,240	2,747,858	414,055	1,988,740	528,110,358
Gross Revenue— Customs Duties Excise Duties Primage Other Sources	28,588,641 21,862,104 2,924,818 37,879	700,855 87,482 56,336 777	389,708 53,553	23,698 2,399	100,275 12,908 3	29,803,177 21,949,586 3,050,014 38,659
Total	53,413,442	845,450	443,261	26,097	113,186	54,841,436

^{*} After deducting £1,880,592 for refunds and drawbacks, &c., the net revenue was £52,960,844.

Interstate
Trade.

On the 13th September, 1910, the Commonwealth Government abandoned the collecting and recording of information relating to Interstate imports and exports, but, at the Statisticians' Conference held in 1926 in Perth, it was resolved that action should be taken by the Statistician of each State (with the exception of Western Australia and Tasmania where schemes for collecting interstate trade statistics were in force) with a view to obtaining a record of the principal items of interstate trade. It has not been possible to obtain complete information regarding the interstate trade of Victoria. Returns have been received from the Harbor Trusts, but the Railways Department has been unable to supply any information since February, 1942. The amount of goods transported by road is not available.

SHIPPING.

Vessels entered and cleared. Victorian shipping, as dealt with in the succeeding tables, refers to vessels trading with other States and oversea countries; the tonnage quoted is net. Public vessels which were exclusively engaged in the transport of troops, equipment and war supplies and vessels trading on the Victorian coast and on the River Murray are not included. Coastal shipping is included in the particulars of the shipping at Victorian ports (page 291).

The number of vessels entered and cleared, and their total tonnage in each of the five years 1947–1951, were as follows:—

VICTORIA—OVERSEA AMD INTERSTATE SHIPPING, 1946-47 TO 1950-51.

	Year ended 30th June—								
Heading.	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.				
Vessels Entered— Number	1,679	1,846	2,068	2,315	2,287				
Net tonnage	4,844,421	5,679,722	7,054,653	8,305,761	8,528,946				
Average net tonnage	2,885	3,076	3,411	3,588	3,729				
Vessels Cleared— Number	1,659	1,825	2,079	2,314	2,316				
Net tonnage	4,804,031	5,608,437	7,091,571	8,301,760	8,599,072				
Average net tonnage	2,896	3,073	3,411	3,588	3,713				

For the twelve months ended 30th June, 1951, steamers (including oil-burning vessels) numbered 2,150 of the vessels entered and 2,179 of the vessels cleared, their tonnage aggregating 8,511,693 and 8,582,120 respectively. The inward shipping included 77 vessels in ballast, of an aggregate tonnage of 276,601, while the outward shipping included 443 vessels in ballast, having an aggregate tonnage of 1,476,300.

Shipping with various with Victoria are set out in the following statement.

Voyages and tonnages of vessels arriving from or departing to particular countries are recorded against one country only, notwithstanding that the same vessel on the same voyage may carry cargo or passengers to or from Victoria from or to several countries. Thus vessels calling at New Zealand on voyages to and from United States of America or Canada are not shown in shipping communication with New Zealand and likewise vessels calling at ports en route to and from the United Kingdom are credited to the United Kingdom only. To this extent the records are misleading.

VICTORIA—SHIPPING WITH VARIOUS COUNTRIES 1950-51.

		Vessels E	ntered.			Vessels	Cleared	
Countries.	Ste	Steamers.*		ling ssels.	Steamers.*			iling ssels.
	Num- ber.	Net Tonnage.	Num- ber.	Net Ton- nage.	Num- ber.	Net Tonnage.	Num- ber.	Net Ton- nage.
Other Australian States United Kingdom New Zealand India Straits Settlements Other British	1,288 271 35 53 46 143	3,398,509 1,843,567 157,639 204,727 220,759 642,040	··· 2 ··· ··	3i0 	1,546 182 46 50 35 140		2	310
Total British Countries	1,836	6,467,241	. 2	310	1,999	7,107,989	2	310
Japan United States of Indonesia United States of America Other Foreign	36 40 66 307	129,890 225,053 290,291 1,416,161			27 43 36 209	115,493 238,436 168,547 968,297		
Total Foreign Countries	449	2,061,395		••	315	1,490,773		
Grand Total	2,285	8,528,636	2	310	2,314	8,598,762	2	310

^{*} Includes oil-burning vessels.

Nationality of vessels.

The nationality of vessels which entered or were cleared at Victorian ports for the year 1950-51 was as follows:—

VICTORIA—NATIONALITY OF SHIPPING, 1950-51.

			Vessels	Entered.	Vessels	Cleared.
Nationality	y•		Number.	Net Tonnage.	Number.	Net Tonnage.
British—						
Australian			915	1,379,969	931	1,424,247
United Kingdom			-886	5,105,558	888	5,087,765
Canadian			6	25,734	5	21,493
Hong Kong			20	70,934	23	82,091
New Zealand			29	44,851	32	46,650
South African			3	11,844	3	11,84
Other British	••	••	12	41,301	15	48,487
Total British	••		1,871	6,680,191	1,897	6,722,578
Foreign—						
Danish	••		25	104,302	22	88,420
French	• •		14	55,301	13	50,92
Dutch			46	228,663	47	234,55
Italian	• •		46	232,067	46	235,065
Norwegian			113	434,489	118	459,854
Swedish			53	178,439	56	187,36
United States of A	\mathbf{merica}	• •	36	188,292	39	212,710
Other Foreign	••	• •	. 83	427,202	78	407,61
Total Foreign		. • •	416	1,848,755	419	1,876,49
Grand Total			2,287	8,528,946	2,316	8,599,072

Shipping entered at Victorian Ports. Particulars of shipping—oversea, interstate, and intra-state—which entered each port of Victoria are given in the following statement for the year ended 30th June, 951.

VICTORIA—VESSELS ENTERED AT EACH PORT, 1950-51

Melbo	ourne.	Geel	ong.	Portland.		
Number.	Net Tonnage.	Number.	Net Tonnage.	Number.	Net Tonnage.	
$\begin{array}{c} 385 \\ 2 \end{array}$	1,784,174 310	38	155,865	1	4,770 	
1,598 135	6,079,194 16,943	120	450,256	8	37,434 	
35	160,534	25	117,911	15	84,470	
30	106,845	7	19,175			
62	233,579	57	225,316	. 1	5,889	
2,247	8,381,579	247	968,523	25	132,563	
	Number. 385 2 1,598 135 35 30 62	385 1,784,174 310 1,598 6,079,194 16,943 35 160,534 30 106,845 62 233,579	Number. Net Tonnage. Number. 385 1,784,174 38 2 310 1,598 6,079,194 120 35 160,534 25 30 106,845 7 62 233,579 57	Number. Net Tonnage. Number. Number. Net Tonnage. 385 1,784,174 310 38 155,865 155,865 1,598 6,079,194 120 450,256 450,256 35 160,534 25 117,911 25 117,911 30 106,845 7 19,175 7 19,175 62 233,579 57 225,316 25	Number. Net Tonnage. Number. Number. Net Tonnage. Number. 385 1,784,174 38 155,865 1 1,598 6,079,194 120 450,256 8 135 16,943 35 160,534 25 117,911 15 30 106,845 7 19,175 62 233,579 57 225,316	

NOTE.—" Ports" means Victorian ports.

Statistics relating to the tonnage of cargo discharged and shipped in Victoria during the year ended 30th June, 1951, are shown in the following tables. One shows the tonnage of interstate and oversea cargo handled at each port in the State, and the other the tonnage of oversea cargo discharged and shipped in Victoria according to the nationality of the vessels in which the cargo was carried.

VICTORIA—TONNAGE OF INTERSTATE AND OVERSEA CARGO DISCHARGED AND SHIPPED AT EACH PORT DURING THE YEAR 1950–51.

		Disch	arged.		Shipped.				
Port.	Interstate (Tons).		Oversea (Tons).		Interstate (Tons).		Oversea (Tons).		
	Weight.	Measure.	Weight.	Measure.	Weight.	Measure.	Weight.	Measure.	
Melbourne	1,737,428	209,143	2,612,277	1,456,759	445,529	239,402	460,092	417,430	
Geelong	130,399	860	438,767	32,001	3,159	4	783,858	70	
Portland			51,429				6,187		
Total	1,867,827	210,003	3,102,473	1,488,760	448,688	239,406	1,250,137	417,500	

^{*} Includes oil-burning vessels. † Including "Oversea via States".

VICTORIA—TONNAGE OF OVERSEA CARGO DISCHARGED AND SHIPPED DURING THE YEAR 1950–51 ACCORDING TO THE NATIONALITY OF VESSELS.

	Disc	narged.	Shi	pped.
Nationality of Vessels.	Tons Weight.	Tons Measurement.	Tons Weight.	Tons Measurement
British— Australian United Kingdom Canadian Hong Kong New Zealand South African Other British	· 23,104 2,040,853 2,427 12,434 9,745 7,975 24,518	9,071 1,030,323 15,895 13,116 15,114 750 4,798	4,715 828,772 12,354 6,815 10,101	3,721 296,242 1,166 9,489 29,575 2,669
Total (British)	2,121,056	1,089,067	862,757	342,862
Foreign— Danish French Dutch Halian Norwegian Swedish United States of America Other Foreign	31,239 20,106 45,851 31,194 289,744 71,713 110,980 380,590	20,556 9,988 34,527 28,955 162,600 89,175 41,737 12,155	11,604 25,946 35,033 48,105 123,492 61,809 22,093 59,298	11,252 6,594 6,917 2,889 18,335 12,863 15,544 244
Total (Foreign)	981,417	399,693	387,380	74,638
Grand Total	3,102,473	1,488,760	1,250,137	417,500

PRINCIPAL PORTS OF VICTORIA.

The Port of Melbourne which is under the control of the Melbourne Harbor Trust, had 11.69 miles of wharfs, piers, and jetties in the Yarra River, Victoria Dock, Maribyrnong River, and Hobson's Bay at 31st December, 1951. The area of these wharfs, &c., is 58 acres, and there are $30\frac{3}{4}$ acres of sheds. Reference to the constitution of the Trust and the revenue and expenditure thereof are shown in part "Local Government".

During the year 1951, vessels to the number of 2,257 (1,243 steamers, 885 motor vessels, and 129 sailing vessels) with registered gross tonnage aggregating 14,608,404 berthed within the Port. Total imports in 1951 amounted to 6,714,137 tons, of which 2,050,532 tons were interstate and coastal cargo. Exports totalled 1,665,129 tons, including interstate and coastal tonnage, amounting to 672,984. Coal formed a great part of the interstate imports. Excluding 48,363 tons transhipped to vessels and 12,542 tons kept on board and landed at Geelong, or other ports, or used for bunkers, the quantity imported during 1951 amounted to 1,256,333 tons.

Port of Geelong is controlled by the Geelong Harbor Trust. The number of berthings of vessels visiting the port during 1951 was 303 and represented 1,404,502 gross tonnage. Imports and exports for that period aggregated 536,029 and 682,193 tons respectively.

POSTS, TELEGRAPHS, TELEPHONES, AND WIRELESS.

The Commonwealth of Australia Constitution Act (63 and 64 Vict., Chapter 12) provided, in section 51, power to make laws with respect to *inter alia*, "postal, telegraphic, telephonic, and other like services".

These services are under the control of the Postmaster-General of the Commonwealth of Australia. Information given in the following tables refers only to the Victorian activities of the Department.

Post Offices, Mails, &c. The number of post offices and the number of mails despatched and received in each of the five years 1946–47 to 1950–51 are given hereunder.

VICTORIA—NUMBER OF POST OFFICES AND MAILS, 1946-47 TO 1950-51.

	Year ended 30	oth June	-	Number of	Number of Mails—		
				Post Offices.*	Despatched.	Received.	
1947	••	••		2,470	2,347,028	2,137,329	
1948	••			2,470	2,303,369	2,097,735	
1949	••	••	••	2,463	2,366,947	2,162,677	
1950	• •	••	••	2,455	2,403,475	2,266,793	
1951				2,430	2,410,662	2,263,492	

^{*} Excluding "Telephone" offices at which telegraph and telephone business only is transacted, viz., 1946-47, 231; 1947-48, 226; 1948-49, 220; 1949-50, 225, and 1950-51, 223.

Postal Returns— Victoria. Particulars relating to the number of letters, packets, and newspapers dealt with during 1949–50 and 1950–51 are given hereunder.

VICTORIA—NUMBER OF LETTERS, PACKETS, AND NEWS-PAPERS DEALT WITH, 1949-50 AND 1950-51.

	Year end	ded 30th Ju	ine, 1950.	Year en	ded 30th Ju	ine, 1951.	
Particulars.	Letters, Post-cards, Letter- cards.	News- papers and Packets.	Total.	Letters, Post-cards, Letter- cards.	News- papers and Packets.	Total.	
Posted for delivery—	No.	No.	No.	. No.	No.	No.	
Within the Commonwealth	311,927,100	50,276,900	362,204,000	340, 368,800	58,469,600	398,838,400	
Beyond the Com- monwealth				·			
Despatched	11,773,600	2,606,900	14,380,500	9,263,700	2,703,400	11,967,100	
Received	10,698,000	6,682,600	17,380,600	9,921,200	5,886,000	15,807,200	
Total	334,398,700	59,566,400	393,965,100	359,553,700	67,059,000	426,612,700	

The number of registered articles posted and received and particulars concerning parcels post are shown below.

VICTORIA—REGISTERED ARTICLES AND PARCELS POST, 1946–47 TO 1950–51.

		Registered	l Articles	other than	Parcels).	Parcels Post.*			
Year ended 30th			ed for ery—	Total Posted in Common- wealth.	Received from Beyond the Common- wealth.		ed for ery—	Total Posted in Common- wealth.	Received from Beyond the Common- wealth.
June -	Within the Common- wealth.	Beyond the Common- wealth.	Within the Common- wealth.			Beyond the Common- wealth.			
		No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1947	• •	4,792,400	92,000	4,884,400	123,400	4,280,200	1,204,300	5,484,500	127,300
1948		4,932,400	103,200	5,035,600	137,400	4,560,700	1,407,900	5,968,600	134,800
1949	••	5,189,000	117,600	5,306,600	152,900	4,328,300	980,500	5,308,800	142,800
1950		4,689,300	92,300	4,781,600	163,600	4,429,400	697,500	5,126,900	167,100
1951	٠	4,770,300	118,000	4,888,300	159,600	4,947,100	423,300	5,370,400	197,700

^{*} Including Registered Value payable and Duty Parcels.

During 1950-51 there were 260,118 letters, &c., and 91,946 packets, &c., returned direct to writers or delivered; 32,118 letters, &c., and 105,144 packets, &c., were destroyed in accordance with the Post and Telegraph Act; and 35,432 letters, &c., and 3,140 packets, &c., were returned, as unclaimed, to other countries. Money and valuables to the amount of £110,181 were found in postal articles sent to the Dead Letter Office as undeliverable. Of 70,519 postal articles posted without address, 247 contained money and valuables amounting to £5,585.

Money Orders and Postal Notes. The following table shows the total number and value of money orders and postal notes issued and paid in each of the five years 1946-47 to 1950-51:—

VICTORIA—MONEY ORDERS AND POSTAL NOTES, 1946-47 TO 1950-51.

Heading.		Year o	ended 30th	June—	
neading.	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.
Number of Money Order Offices open	862	860	879	902	911
Money Orders Issued—					
$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Intra-state} & & \dots \left\{ \begin{matrix} \text{Number} & \dots \\ \text{Amount} & \pounds \end{matrix} \right. \end{array}$	626,868	694,424	746,451	847,669	992,004
	5,340,591	5,877,456	6,408,132	7,301,011	8,959,389
$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Interstate} & & \left\{ ^{\text{Number}} \right \\ \text{Amount} & \pounds \end{array} \right.$	149,950	114,606	132,144	142,917	158,414
	832,129	823,888	907,097	1,023,558	1,312,761
Beyond the Com- $\begin{cases} Number \\ Amount £ \end{cases}$	16,772	20,730	25,495	34,856	46,926
	45,447	65,374	90,487	139,747	198,960
Total $$ $\begin{cases} Number \\ Amount £ \end{cases}$	793,590	829,760	904,090	1,025,442	1,197,344
	6,218,1 6 7	6,766,718	7,405,716	8,464,316	10,471,110
Money Orders Paid-					
Intra-state $$ Number Amount £	626,781	693,308	745,460	847,668	988,312
	5,351,082	5,877,442	6,342,074	7,301,293	8,878,080
$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Interstate} & & \cdot & \left\{ $	208,818	219,814	221,892	228,521	228,082
	1,300,576	1,364,922	1,519,167	1,540,097	1,675,151
Beyond the Com- $\left\{ egin{array}{ll} \mbox{Number} & \ \mbox{Amount} & \pounds \end{array} \right.$	30,687	40,636	38,879	35,551	31,545
	132,491	162,225	159,806	153,576	141,239
Total $$ ${f Number \ \atop Amount \ \pounds}$	866,286	953,758	1,006,231	1,111,740	1,247,939
	6,784,149	7,404,589	8,021,047	8,994,966	10,694,470
Postal Notes—					
Issued $$ $\begin{cases} Number \\ Amount £ \end{cases}$	8,787,712	9,939,752	10,671,781	11,574,282	11,858,913
	3,090,034	3,526,456	3,826,066	4,217,222	4,551,996
Paid—Issued with-{Number Amount £	4,319,501	4,723,365	4,980,932	5,402,131	5,013,964
	1,742,278	1,949,009	2,108,863	2,337,048	2,373,403
Paid — Issued in Number Amount £	798,458	848,232	830,835	882,388	849,067
	350,126	376,755	368,177	392,678	391,158

Of the money orders issued in 1950–51, 1,150,418 for £10,272,150 were payable in the Commonwealth of Australia, 2,924 for £8,000 in New Zealand, 31,486 for £124,907 in the United Kingdom, and 12,516 for £66,053 in other countries. The orders paid included 1,216,394 for £10,553,231 issued in the Commonwealth, 8,395 for £20,768 in New Zealand, 18,680 for £93,819 in the United Kingdom, and 4,470 for £26,652 in other countries.

Telegraphs and The following table gives particulars relating to the telegraph business during each of the five years 1946-47 to 1950-51:—

VICTORIA—TELEGRAPH BUSINESS, 1946-47 TO 1950-51.

		Year e	ended 30th	June	
Heading.					
	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.
Number of Telegraph Offices	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
(including Railway Telegraph Offices)	2,402	2,429	2,420	2,443	2,425
Telegrams— Within the Commonwealth— Paid and Collect Telegrams Despatched— Ordinary, Urgent, and Press Lettergrams Radiograms	7,498,130 25,492 5,113	7,662,566 21,887 2,356	7,767,352 19,992 3,278	7,535,803 19,998 4,775	7,419,396 17,361 4,161
Unpaid Telegrams Trans- mitted— Service and Meteorological	455,385	449,406	442,464	469,033	433,473
Total Beyond the Commonwealth—	7,984,120	8,136,215	8,233,086	8,029,609	7,874,391
Despatched	309,702	330,937	371,901	424,978	482,224
Received	292,741	368,912	400,298	449,812	466,491
Total Number of Telegrams dealt with	8,586,563	8,836,064	9,005,285	8,904,399	8,823,106
Povenue	£	£	£	£	£
Revenue— Telegrams within the Commonwealth Telegrams beyond the Common-	518,452	530,390	535,707	715,892	851,045
wealth	69,019	68,749	67,433	72,745	117,290
Total Revenue received in State	587,471	599,139	603,140	788,637	968,335

^{*} Excluding Railway Telegraph Offices.

Telephones.

Information relating to the telephone service is given below for the years 1946–47 to 1950–51.

VICTORIA—TELEPHONES, 1946–47 TO 1950–51.

	Year ended 30th June								
Heading.	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.				
Telephone Exchanges Public Telephones Lines connected Instruments connected Instruments per 1,000 of Population Effective Paid Local Calls— (a) Subscribers (b) Public Telephones Trunk Line Calls	No. 1,672 3,058 202,769 287,303 139.8 215,540,283 20,697,363 16,791,804	No. 1,679 3,143 214,997 305,287 146·0 231,015,791 21,397,350 17,558,059	No. 1,688 3,357 228,586 324,919 151·9 242,779,510 22,941,082 18,293,641	No. 1,714 3,607 244,858 348,505 158-2 241,313,273 23,222,440 19,450,398	No. 1,728 3,900 269,826 381,809 168*3 252,938,000 25,099,000 20,262,000				

Details of Broadcast Services and Amateur Stations licenses in Force.

Details of Broadcast Services and Amateur Stations licenses in Victoria at the end of each of the years 1946–47 to 1950–51 are shown hereunder. Consequent on the passing of the Australian Broadcasting Act in July, 1942, broadcast listeners' licences for 1942–43 and subsequent years were issued in two categories, viz.:—(a) licences for one receiver, (b) licences for receivers in excess of one. The number of licences (for one receiver) in force in Victoria, at 30th June, 1951, represented 28 per cent. of the total for Australia (1,884,834).

VICTORIA—NUMBER OF WIRELESS LICENCES IN FORCE, 1946–47 TO 1950–51.

Clare of Times	At 30th June-							
Class of Licence.	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.			
Broadcasting*	19	19	. 19	19	19			
One receiver	475,215	469,437	487,796	505,078	522,502			
More than one receiver	24,729	35,669	43,926	52,478	63,891			
Amateur	658	796	865	910	931			

^{*} Exclusive of stations operated by the National Broadcasting Service (P.M.G.'s Department).

The number of stations authorized in Victoria, at the end (30th June) of each of the years 1947 to 1951 is shown in Stations Authorized. Prior to the year 1946–47, statistics of radio-communication stations were compiled on the basis of licences issued but as some stations were authorized without being licensed it became necessary to publish particulars of stations authorized.

VICTORIA—NUMBER OF RADIO-COMMUNICATION STATIONS AUTHORIZED 1947 TO 1951.

Type of Station.						At	30th Jun	e—	
					1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.
Transmitting and	Recei	ving—							
Aeronautical					4	4	5	9	9
Coast					1	1	3	4	5
Land					79	122	162	198	233
Mobile (Genera	l)				200	351	562	662	724
Miscellaneous	·			!	2	11	11	13	13
Receiving only—									
Land					200	202	199	202	197
Mobile (General	IX.				122	132	185	149	138

Post Office revenue and expenditure. Particulars concerning the revenue and expenditure of the Postmaster-General's Department in Victoria for each of the years 1946–47 to 1950–51 are contained in the following table:—

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE OF POSTMASTER-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT IN VICTORIA, 1946–47 TO 1950–51.

Particulars.		Year	ended 30th	June—	
raruculars.	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.
	£	£	£	£	£
Revenue. Postage	3,404,602	3,613,426	3,728,539	4,068,451	4,661,000
Money Order Commission	101,583	114,611	124,434	138,427	152,000
Poundage on Postal Notes Private Boxes and Bags	, ,	18,404	20,163	21,113	1
Miscellaneous	19,954 232,850	254,481	273,058	295,362	31,000 306,000
Total Postal	3,758,989	4,000,922	4,146,194	4,523,353	5,150,000
Telegraphs	864,880	832,865	824,795	1,012,226	1,206,000
Radio	235,565	234,724	350,523	*	*
Telephones	3,870,487	4,165,860	4,365,170	5,493,129	6,642,000
Total Revenue	8,729,921	9,234,371	9,686,682	11,028,708	12,998,000
Expenditure.					
Salaries and Contingencies— Salaries and Payments in the Nature of Salary	3,076,067	3,700,481	4,435,569	5,042,851	6,480,000
General Expenses	229,632	359,199	424,125	469,569	651,000
Stores and Material	183,472	198,804	209,190	363,622	451,000
Mail Services Engineering Services (other than	368,853	350,433	494,897	493,503	551,000
new works) Rents, Repairs, Maintenance,	1,900,229	2,394,775	2,896,523	3,334,044	4,143,000
Fittings, &c	80,475	110,313	119,541	142,566	161,000
Proportion of Audit Expenses	3,550	3,550	3,550	4,596	5,000
Telegraph, Telephones, and	1	1	1		
Wireless	1,565,964	2,099,470	3,189,156	3,810,000	5,747,000
New Buildings, &c	154,987	277,785	360,786	836,921	1,069,000
Post Office Stores and Transport Trust Account—Advance			9 950 000	0.000.000	
Other Expenditure	8,404	7,295	2,250,000 5,991	3,000,000 4,488	11,000,000 3,000
Total Expenditure	7,571,633	9,502,105	14,389,328	17,502,160	30,261,000

^{*} Radio revenue excluded from Post Office revenue as from 1st July, 1949.

TRANSPORT.

Transport Regulation Board was set up in 1934 under the provisions of the Transport Regulation Act 1932 as amended by the Transport Regulation Act 1933 for the purposes of securing the improvement and co-ordination of and facility for locomotion and transport. The Board consists of three members appointed by the Governor-in-Council for a term of three years.

Until October, 1951, the Board's jurisdiction was confined to the licensing of commercial goods vehicles throughout the State and of commercial passenger vehicles, except in the metropolitan area of Melbourne and the urban districts of Ballarat, Bendigo, and Geelong. With the passing of the *Transport Act* of 9th October, 1951, all commercial passenger vehicles and aircraft operating solely within Victoria were brought under the ambit of the Board.

With the exception of licences referred to in section 22 of the Transport Regulation Act of 1933 (in respect of certain types of commercial goods vehicle operation) all licences issued by the Board are discretionary.

All fees received by the Board are paid into a Treasury Trust Fund known as the "Transport Regulation Fund". From this fund is paid the cost of administration and certain statutory charges. The surplus at the end of the financial year is transferred to Consolidated Revenue.

The following table shows the number of Transport Licences and Permits in force for each of the years 1948–49 to 1950–51:—

VICTORIA—NUMBER OF TRANSPORT LICENCES AND PERMITS IN FORCE 1948-49 TO 1950-51.

Type of Licence or Permit—	Year E	Year Ended 30th June				
	1949.	1950.	1951.			
Temporary Licences— Commercial Passenger Vehicles	904	1,217	688			
Commercial Goods Vehicles	2,854	3,169	3,376			
	3,758	4,386	4,064			
Permanent "Discretionary" Licences— Commercial Passenger Vehicles Commercial Goods Vehicles	2,835 1,717	3,655 2,259	3,580 2,264			
	4,552	5,914	5,844			

VICTORIA—NUMBER OF TRANSPORT LICENCES AND PERMITS IN FORCE 1948-49 TO 1950-51—continued.

	Year 1	Ended 30th J	une
Type of Licence or Permit—	1949.	1950.	1951.
1			
Licences issued "As of Right"— To operate for hire or reward—within 25			
miles of the G.P.O.—	0.014	10.450	10 500
Melbourne	9,914	10,459	10,502
Ballarat	318	338	358
Bendigo	297	330	346
Geelong	448	493	513
Within 20 miles of place of business of			
the owner; generally outside the			
radius of 25 miles from the G.P.O.,	Ì		
Melbourne, Ballarat, Bendigo, and			
Geelong	8,623	9,061	8,879
Primary Producers	5,974	6,243	6,691
Commercial goods vehicles owned by butter			
and cheese factories	551	601	624
Commercial goods vehicles authorized to			
carry the goods of the owners	30,123	29,826	27,907
Commercial goods vehicles being used as—	00,120	20,020	2.,001
Carriers of all "Third Schedule" goods	4,224	4.490	4,779
Racehorse floats	35	37	37
Tank wagons for carriage of petroleum	30	3,	91
products	203	213	233
Commercial travellers' cars	486	436	425
Commercial traveners cars	400	450	429
· \	61,196	62,527	61,294
Additional Licences to commercial goods vehicles	i		
	340	294	263
to carry passengers	340	294	203
Total Licences issued	69,846	73,121	71,465
Permits to operate temporarily outside the			
conditions of the Licences—		1	
Commercial passenger vehicles	6,287	7,707	3,607
Commercial goods vehicles	44,027	68,831	66,150
$egin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	50,314	76,538	69,757
Financial Transactions—	£	£	£
Revenue	193,541	247,403	259,164
Expenditure	78,249	113,621	158,491
Amount transferred to Consolidated Revenue	115,292	133,782	100,673

RAILWAYS.

All railways in Victoria available for general traffic are the property of the State, and are under the management of three Commissioners appointed by the Government.

Certain border railways in New South Wales are also under the control of the Victorian Railways Commissioners by virtue of an agreement ratified between the Victorian and New South Wales Governments under Act No. 3194 of 1922.

All lines controlled by the Railways Commissioners are shown on the map opposite page 251.

The succeeding tables relate to the State Railways, the St. Kilda-Brighton and Sandringham-Black Rock Electric Tramways, and the Road Motor Services under the control of the Railways Commissioners. The operations of these tramways and the Road Motor Services are also shown separately on pages 305 and 306. Steam, motor or diesel-electric power provides the traction for country passenger and goods traffic, while electricity is used mainly for passenger traffic on suburban lines.

Important legislation bearing on railway finances was contained in the Railways (Finances Adjustment) Act 1936, No. 4429. A brief outline of the principal provisions of this Act was published in the Victorian Year-Book for 1939–40, page 361.

The total capital cost of all lines constructed and in course of construction, and of all works, rolling stock and equipment of the Railways Department as at 30th June of each of the five years 1947–1951, is shown in the following

VICTORIA—TOTAL CAPITAL COST OF RAILWAYS, ETC., EQUIPMENT AND ROLLING STOCK, 1946-47 TO 1950-51.

At 30th June		Rail	ways.	Electric Tramways.	Road	Total	
		Lines Opened.			Motor Services.	Capital Cost.*	
			£	£	£	£	£
1947	`••		51,627,002	168,012	140,436	12,722	51,948,172
1948		٠	52,145,792	169,909	137,029	11,037	52,463,767
1949	••	٠.	53,008,583	177,309	134,654	10,743	53,331,289
1950		••	55,722,636	243,178	131,591	8,768	56,106,173
1951			60,478,709	307,925	128,528	6,678	60,921,840

^{*} Written down in accordance with Railways (Finances Adjustment) Act No. 4429 of 1936. Particulars are exclusive of the cost of stores and materials on hand and in course of manufacture.

The face value of stock and bonds allocated to the Railways Department, as reduced in accordance with Act No. 4429, amounted to £63,025,093 at 30th June, 1951. After deducting the value of securities purchased by the National Debt Sinking Fund and cancelled (£7,384,656), the total liability in respect of current loans oustanding at that date was £55,640,437. The annual interest payable on this amount, calculated at the average rate of 3.288 per cent., was £1,829,458.

Additional funds, which amounted to £6,019,025 at 30th June, 1951, have been provided for railway construction, equipment, stores, &c., out of Consolidated Revenue and the National Recovery Loan and other Funds. No interest is charged on this amount.

Railways traffic.

The mileage and traffic of the railways (exclusive of electric tramways and road motor services) for each of the years 1946-47 to 1950-51 are given in the following

VICTORIA—RAILWAYS MILEAGE AND TRAFFIC (EXCLUDING ELECTRIC TRAMWAYS AND ROAD MOTOR SERVICES), 1946–47 TO 1950–51.

Heading.	At 30th June—								
	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.				
	Miles.	Miles.	Miles.	Miles.	Miles.				
Lines Constructed	4,830 · 29	4,830 · 79	4,830.79	4,830 · 79	4,830.79				
" Closed for Traffic	88.50	105 - 75	132 51	139.01	140.01				
" Open for Traffic	4,741 · 79	4,725.04	4,698 · 28	4,691 · 78	4,690.78				
•	During Year ended 30th June—								
	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.				
Praffic Train Mileage	15,539,188	16,819,339	17,351,775	17,549,489	14,574,809				
Passenger Journeys	170,164,983	182,209,652	176,555,074	182,101,351	141,312,589				
Goods and Live Stock Carried (Tons)	7,561,773	8,439,760	8,859,016	9,125,140	7,539,166				

Railways revenue and expenditure of the Railways Department during each of the five financial years 1947 1951 were as follows:—

VICTORIA—RAILWAYS REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE, 1946-47 TO 1950-51.

		Year e	nded 30th J	une	
Heading.	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.
Revenue—	£	£	£	£	£
Passenger, &c., Business— Passenger Fares	5,833,483 570,439 40,715	6,544,248 636,896 42,959	6,740,494 685,916 40,881	7,353,549 833,533 41,242	6,517,373 756,809 41,510
Goods, &c., Business— Goods	5,410,127 598,253 100,293	7,132,125 683,632 176,058	7,686,515 741,433 168,206	9,706,717 932,286 177,862	9,138,159 696,256 158,094
Miscellaneous— Dining Car and Refreshment Services Sale of Electrical Power Rentals Book Stalls Advertising Subsidy paid by Treasury for Interest, &c. Other* Total	660,460 57,368 163,271 122,459 42,656 63,322 13,662,846	714,849 65,442 178,122 130,592 45,274 70,860 16,421,057	768,525 90,070 188,743 140,913 49,500 70,510	830,416 124,569 202,626 147,121 47,426 1,687,828 75,340 22,160,515	850,408 102,513 234,092 144,015 44,812 1,789,670 67,079
Working Expenses— Way and Works Rolling Stock Transportation Electrical Engineering Branch Stores Branch Pensions (non-contributory) Payment to the Superannuation Fund Contribution to Railway Renewals and Replacements Fund Contribution to Railway Accident and Fire Insurance Fund Pay-roll Tax Long Service Leave Other Total Working Expenses	2,419,485 4,379,689 4,061,356 632,550 182,597 40,245 426,387 200,000 89,358 221,354 139,648 306,493	200,000 121,125 267,322 140,170 356,456	3,087,095 6,451,702 5,710,579; 946,668; 242,585 643,308 200,000 100,378 300,470 147,815 365,429	3,500,199 6,992,938 6,222,089 993,796 259,996 654,435 650,000 135,000 331,703 158,586 403,430 20,212,172	3,760,988 7,052,559 6,512,545 1,187,244 268,922 926,150 200,000 163,184 345,667 165,122 433,990 21,016,366
Less Expenditure charged to Special Funds	91,490	244,004	257,639	94,609	67,072
Working Expenses charged to Railway Revenue	13,007,672	15,335,060	17,938,390	20,117,563	
Net Revenue	655,174	1,085,997	Dr. 566,684	2,042,952	Dr. 408,504

^{*} Including recoup on account of reduction in outer suburban fares, £21,000 in 1946–47, £18,000 in 1947–48, £15,000 in 1948–49, £12,000 in 1949–50, and £9,000 in 1950–51.

VICTORIA—RAILWAYS REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE, 1946-47 to 1950-51—continued.

Heading.	Year ended 30th June—							
neading.	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.			
Debt Charges—	£	£	£	£	£			
Interest Charges and Expenses†	1,839,909	1,861,741	1,881,228	1,934,546	2,073,02			
Exchange on Interest Payments and Redemption Contribution to National Debt	169,123	168,089	153,321	157,444	157,29			
Sinking Fund	128,310	130,533	132,886	137,019	147,58			
Net Result for Year	-1,482,168	-1,074,366	-2,734,119	186,057	-2,786,41			
Proportion of Working Expenses to Revenue	% 95·2	% 93·4	% 103·3	% 90·8	% 101 · 99			

[†] Including Loan Conversion Expenses.

The revenue for 1950–51 decreased by £1,619,725 as compared with that for 1949–50. Passenger business decreased by £912,632, while goods, &c., business decreased by £824,356. Total working expenses increased by £804,194, as compared with those of the previous year.

Railways earnings and net revenue per average mile of railway worked for each of the five years 1946–47 to 1950–51 were as follows.

This table does not take account of the interest paid on railway loans and expenses of paying same, which are shown in the previous table:—

VICTORIA—RAILWAYS REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE PER AVERAGE MILE OPEN, 1946-47 TO 1950-51 (EXCLUDING ELECTRIC TRAMWAYS AND ROAD MOTOR SERVICES).

	Year ended 30th June—						
Heading.	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.		
Average Number of Miles open for Traffic	4,748 £	4,725 £	4,711 £	4,692 £	4,687 £		
Gross Revenue per Mile	2,859	3,454	3,667	4,699	4,362		
Working Expenses* per Mile	2,720	3,222	3,782	4,259	4,440		
Net Revenue per Mile	139	232		440			

^{*} Charged to Railway Revenue.

At 30th June, 1951, the capital cost of the broad-gauge rolling stock, after being written down in accordance with Act No. 4429 of 1936, was £11,877,763, of the narrow-gauge £10,780, of the electric street tramway £21,162, and of the road motor coaches and trucks £1,702.

The number of officers and employees in the railways service (including casual labour and butty-gang workers) and the amount of salaries and wages (including travelling and incidental expenses) paid in each of the five financial years 1947-51, are shown in the following table:—

VICTORIA—RAILWAYS STAFF—NUMBERS, SALARIES, ETC., 1946–47 TO 1950–51.

Year ended			Number o	Salaries, Wages		
	th June—		Permanent.	Supernumerary and Casual.	Total.	and Travelling Expenses.
						£
1947			15,724	11,333	27,057	9,566,366
1948			18,045	8,359	26,404	11,586,048
1949			18,943	7,523	26,466	13,127,012
1950			18.868	8,190	27.058	14,427,690
1951			17,618	9,034	26,652	15,144,588

St. Kilda-Brighton and Brighton and Sandringham-Black Rock Electric Tramways for 1950-51 are detailed in the following statement. As these tramways are controlled and operated by the Railways Commissioners, particulars relating to them have been included in the preceding railway tables unless otherwise indicated.

ELECTRIC STREET TRAMWAYS, 1950-51. (Under the control of the Railways Commissioners.)

Heading.			St. Kilda- Brighton Electric Tramway.	Sandringham— Black Rock Electric Tramway.	Total.
Average Mileage of Tramway V Car Mileage	Worked	::	5·18 404,622 4,078,501	$\begin{array}{r} 2 \cdot 42 \\ 105,031 \\ 1,362,821 \end{array}$	7.60 509,653 5,441,322
Gross Revenue		• •	£ 59,322 78,990 3,436	£ 19,695 19,885 1,483	\$79,017 98,875 4,919
Net Result			Loss 23,104	Loss 1,673	Loss 24,777
Capital Expenditure at 30th written down under Act No. Construction of Lines, &c. Rolling Stock			71,910 19,664	35,456 1,498	107,366 21,162
Total			91,574	36,954	128,528

The following table gives particulars for each of the four years 1947–48 to 1950–51 of the operations of the Road Motor Services under the control of the Railways Commissioners.

VICTORIA—ROAD MOTOR SERVICES, 1947–48 TO 1950–51.

(Under the control of the Railways Commissioners.)

Heading.		1947-48.	194849.	1949-50.	1950-51.
		No.	No.	No.	No.
Car Mileage		292,410	332,232	356,432	298,330
Passenger Journeys*		1,128,778	1,150,690	1,232,982	963,712
		£	£	£	£
Gross Revenue		14,584	15,404	18,985	15,513
Working Expenses		30,601	36,806	40,098	39,686
Interest Charges and Exchange		430	385	346	257
Net Loss		16,447	21,787	21,459	24,430
Capital Expenditure at end of (less depreciation written off)	Year	11,037	10,743	8,768	6,678

^{*} Exclusive of passengers carried on the Hawthorn to Kew motor omnibus service.

NOTE.—The apparent discrepancy between the amount of the working expenses and the revenue was brought about by the revenue not having received a proportion of the combined rail and road services earnings while the working expenses have been charged with the road motor operating cost in full.

Prior to 1st February, 1952, the railway between Kerang and Koondrook was owned and worked by the Shire of Kerang, but since that date the line has been taken under the control of the Victorian Railways.

TRAMWAYS.

The various tramway systems in the State at 30th June, 1951 (excluding those under the control of the Railways Commissioners) comprised 167·274 miles of electric lines, of which 137·308 miles were double and 29·966 miles single track.

The electric street tramways, St. Kilda to Brighton and Sandringham to Black Rock, under the management of the Victorian Railways Commissioners, are not referred to in this connexion, but are included under the heading "Railways," page 305, and "All Victorian Tramways," page 311.

The subjoined table contains particulars relating to all tramways in Victoria (with the foregoing exceptions) for each of the five years 1946-47 to 1950-51.

VICTORIAN TRAMWAYS, 1946-47 TO 1950-51.

(Exclusive of St. Kilda-Brighton and Sandringham-Black Rock Electric Street Tramways.)

Year ended	Track	Open.	Tram	Passenger	Traffic	Working	Rolling-	Persons Em-
30th June.	Double.	Single.	Mileage.	Journeys.	Receipts.	Expenses.	stock.	ployed.
	Miles.	Miles.	Miles.	No.	£	£	No.	No.
1947	135 · 496	30 · 160	24,245,489	278,089,259	3,342,693	2,284,402	817	5,207
1948	135 - 698	29.941	24,354,630	271,683,680	3,236,399	2,546,628	823	5,624
1949	135 · 698	29.941	24,932,629	282,781,596	3,373,476	2,921,988	809	5,642
1950*	$135 \cdot 698$	29 • 941	20,053,555	217,910,550	2,997,041	2,858,201	840	5,055
1951	137.308	29.966	22,901,475	252,447,118	4,092,147	3,601,095	848	4,750

^{*}The decrease in passenger journeys, traffic receipts, &c., was caused by the stoppage of tram services during the period 23rd February to 23rd April, 1950, owing to a strike of employees.

The Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Act became Metropolitan Tramways are operative on 7th January, 1919. The Act provided for a Board consisting of seven members appointed by the Governor in Council to control all tramways in the metropolitan area, with the exception of the St. Kilda–Brighton and Sandringham–Black Rock electric systems.

The Board is empowered to borrow up to £5,500,000 by the issue of stock or debentures secured upon its revenues and undertakings, this being in addition to the transferred liabilities attaching to the tramways vested in it. At 30th June, 1951, the Board had borrowing powers available to the extent of £3,051,000. Power is given to have an overdraft not exceeding £400,000.

Particulars relating to the electric tramway systems under the control of the Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board are shown for each of the years 1946–47 to 1950–51 in the following statement.

MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS, 1946–47 TO 1950–51.

Year ended	Track	Open.	Tram	Passenger	Traffie	Working	Rolling-	Persons Em-
30th June.	Double.	Single.	Mileage.	Journeys.	Receipts.	Expenses.	stock.	ployed.
	Miles.	Miles.	Miles.	No.	£	£	No.	No.
1947	125 996	5.380	22,494,656	262,406,398	3,201,384	2,109,514	740	4,887
1948	126 198	5 · 161	22,553,591	255,830,738	3,093,278	2,331,194	746	5,271
1949	126 · 198	5 · 161	23,120,058	266,440,050	3,226,425	2,673,102	733	5,161
1950*	126 · 198	5.161	18,330,297	203,697,025	2,826,134	2,568,234	764	4,686
1951	127.808	5.186	21,309,127	238,708,844	3,917,640	3,274,640	764	4,396

^{*} See note on page 307.

In the next statement the operations of the motor omnibus systems under the control of the Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board are shown for each of the years 1946–47 and 1950–51.

MOTOR OMNIBUS SYSTEMS 1946-47 TO 1950-51.

(Under the control of the Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board.)

Year ended 30th June		Route Miles.	Bus Mileage.	Passenger Journeys.	Traffic Receipts.	Working Ex- penses.	Rolling- stock.	Persons Em- ployed.
				No.	£	£	No.	No.
1947		68.602	6,928,996	57,947,171	646,259	646,516	318	1,325
1948		68.602	7,875,206	67,154,138	745,738	758,329	322	1,525
1949		68.718	8,096,375	72,333,080	803,921	872,962	345	1,506
1950*	• •	66 · 740	6,822,761	59,764,992	763,076	844,364	330	1,245
1951		66.740	7,625,949	67,442,080	1,032,117	1,041,873	317	1,208

^{*} See note on page 307.

A summary of the revenue and expenditure by the Tramways Board for the year ended 30th June, 1951, is set out hereunder:—

Traffic Receipts	£ 4,949,757	£
Advertisements, rents, &c	36,896	
Total Revenue		4,986,653
Working Expenses	• •	4,333,299
Surplus on Operation		653,354
Fixed Charges (including Depreciation)	•	684,610
Balance in Appropriation Account	$\dots L$	r. 31,256
Appropriations—		
Loan Redemption	$27,\!461$	
Loan Sinking Funds	38,547	
Renewals Reserve	139,643	
General Reserve	134,592	
Other	13,657	
	•	353,900
	Dr.	385,156
Less—		
Investment Income	44,814	
Depreciation charged in Operation Account	$352,\!216$	
		397,030
	Cr.	11,874
Payments to Consolidated Revenue	••	199,194
Deficit for Year	4.	187,320

Pursuant to section 77 of the Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Act (No. 3732), the Board is required to make certain annual payments to the Consolidated Revenue of the State. The total of such payments up to 30th June, 1951, amounted to £3,743,011. This amount was allocated as follows:—Fire Brigades Board, £2,093,682; Licensing Fund, £435,251; and Infectious Diseases Hospital, £1,214,078. Under the provisions of Act No. 4598 the Board was relieved of the Licensing Fund payment as from 1st July, 1938.

Up to 30th June, 1951, the capital cost of the tramways vested in the Tramways Board, after writing off the value of obsolete assets, amounted to £11,038,571, of which £9,570,811 related to electric tramways, £1,228,579 to motor omnibuses, and £239,181 to general properties. Assets at book value written off during the year amounted to £457,477—made up of the remaining cable track £149,806 and plant &c., scrapped £44,747.

In the next statement comparisons are made between the electric and omnibus systems operated by the Tramways Board; the receipts per mile, the cost of working, &c., being shown for the year 1950–51.

MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS BOARD TRAFFIC RECEIPTS, WORKING EXPENSES, ETC., PER MILE, ETC., 1950–51.

System.		Т	raffic Receip	ots.		Working	
		Per Mile of Single Track Operated.		Per Passenger.	Working Expenses to Total Revenue.	Expenses per Vehicle Mile, including Power Cost.	Average Distance per Penny.
		d.	£	d.	%	d.	Miles.
Electric		$44 \cdot 124$	15,022	3 · 939	83 · 189 •	$36 \cdot 882$	634
Omnibus		$32 \cdot 482$	7,732	3.673	100-666	$32 \cdot 789$.602

Tramways in ExtraMetropolitan Gities.

The cities, other than the metropolis, having electric tramway systems are:—Ballarat, with 13.84 miles of lines (2.33 double and 11.51 single track); Bendigo, with 8.64 miles of lines (2.43 double and 6.21 single track); and Geelong, with 11.80 miles of lines (4.74 double and 7.06 single track).

The traffic particulars of these lines for each of the five years 1946-47 to 1950-51 are summarized in the following table:—

TRAMWAYS IN EXTRA-METROPOLITAN CITIES, 1946–47 TO 1950–51.

Year	Track	Open.	Tram	Passenger	Traffic	Working	Rolling-	Persons
ended 30th June.	Double.	Single.	Mileage.	Journeys.	Receipts.	Expenses.		Em- ployed.
-	Miles.	Miles.		No.	£	£	No.	No.
1947	$9 \cdot 50$	24 · 78	1,750,833	15,682,861	141,309	174,888	77	320
1948	9.50	24.78	1,801,039	15,852,942	143,021	215,434	77	353
1949	9.50	24.78	1,812,571	16,341,546	147,051	248,886	76	363
1950	$9 \cdot 50$	24.78	1,723,258	14,213,525	170,907	289,967	76	369
1951	9.50	24.78	1,592,348	13,738,274	174,507	326,455	84	354

A summary of the operations for each of the years 1949-50 and 1950-51 of the foregoing tramway systems and of the electric tramways under the control of the Railways Commissioners is given in the following table:—

ALL VICTORIAN TRAMWAYS, 1949-50 AND 1950-51.

Heading.		1949–50.	1950–51.
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			
			-
Route Mileage Open—Double Single	$rac{miles}{miles}$	$143 \cdot 088 \\ 30 \cdot 151$	144·698 30·176
Total	miles	173 · 239	174 · 874
Cost of Construction and Equipment	£	9,585,285	9,824,299
•			
Gross Revenue—			
Traffic Receipts Other	£	3,084,226 20,468	4,167,481 22,963
Total Revenue	£	3,104,694	4,190,444
Working Expenses	£	2,950,243	3,697,471
Net Earnings	£	154,451	492,973
Interest, &c	£	64,107 572,339	76,099 612,432
Expenses, Interest, &c., Statutory Charges, Rates, &c.	· £	Loss 481,995	Loss 195,558
Tram Miles Run	miles No.	20,666,436 225,048,866	23,411,128 257,888,440
Staff Employed—			
Salaried Wages	No. No.	802 4,354	766 4,089
Total Staff	No.	5,156	4,855
Rolling Stock	No.	871	879

Licensed volicles in Melbourne.

Prior to 9th October, 1951, the licensing and regulating of vehicles plying for hire within the City of Melbourne and within the distance of 8 miles of the City, were controlled by the Melbourne City Council.

With the passing of the *Transport Act* (No. 5559) on 9th October, 1951, the licensing of these vehicles came under the jurisdiction of the Transport Regulation Board. A summary of the licences, &c., issued by the Board during each of the years 1948–49 to 1950–51 is shown on page 299.

Motor Vehicle Registration. Every motor car and every trailer attached thereto and every motor cycle, together with the trailer, for-car or side-car attached thereto, must be registered with the Chief Commissioner of Police if used on Victorian roads. A brief summary of the registration fees payable for the various types of motor vehicles appears in the following table. Notwithstanding anything appearing in this table, the minimum fee for registration of any motor car other than a motor cycle shall be three pounds.

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Type of Vehicle.	Rate Chargeable for Annual Registration.
Motor Cycles (without trailer, &c.)	£1 0 0
Motor Cycles (with trailer, &c. attached)	£1 10s.
Motor Cars (private use)	3s. for each power-weight unit*
Trailers attached to motor cars Motor omnibuses (operating on specified routes in the metropolitan area)	£1 to £4 each, according to the unladen weight and the type of tires £5 plus additional fees for each passenger seat
Motor Cars used for carrying passengers or goods for hire or in the course of trade	From 3s. 9d. to 8s, 9d. for each power-weight unit* according to the unladen weight and the type of tires (rates are less 10 per cent. where the vehicle is wholly of British or Australian manufacture or both)
Motor Cars (constructed for the carriage of goods) owned by primary producers and used solely in connexion with their business	From 2s. to 5s. 3d. for each power- weight unit* according to the number of wheels and the type of tires

^{*} The number of power-weight units is that number which is equal to the sum of the horse-power and the weight in hundredweights of a motor car unladen and ready for use.

Under the provisions of the Municipalities and Other Authorities Finances Act 1950 (No. 5512), the fee payable upon the issue of a licence to drive a motor car was increased from 5s. to 10s. per annum as from 1st January, 1951. The Act also provided that one half of the increased fee, less cost of collection, was to be paid to the Municipalities Assistance Fund and that the other half, less cost of collection, was to be paid to the Country Roads Board Fund.

Registrations of Motor Vehicles, etc.

The following statement shows, for each of the years 1946-47 to 1950-51, the number of motor vehicles registered, the number of drivers', &c., licences issued and the total revenue received at the Motor Registration Office of the Police Department.

VICTORIA—REGISTRATIONS OF MOTOR VEHICLES, ETC., DRIVERS' LICENCES, ETC., ISSUED, 1946–47 TO 1950–51.

Heading.	At 30th June-							
	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.			
Motor Vehicles—	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.			
Private Cars	153,855	167,331	185,043	222,251	258,709			
Commercial Vehicles	50,894	57,250	63,631	69,763	74,780			
Hire Cars	3,263	3,710	3,958	4,262	4,463			
Primary Producers'	57,942	60,992	63,574	69,380	69,552			
Omnibuses	780	869	949	866	878			
Traction Engines	73	107	68	47	47			
Trailers	9,090	9,929	10,272	11,100	10,699			
Motor Cycles	26,172	29,083	31,647	34,231	33,531			
Drivers' and Riders' Licences	437,924	470,971	487,407	525,709	575,753			
Dealers' Licences	458	567	682	805	900			
Transfers	82,488	76,968	101,879	132,171	158,816			
Matal Dayanua Dansiyad	£	£	£	£	£			
Total Revenue Received during year ended 30th June	2,028,076	2,245,604	2,427,856	2,910,536	3,511,964			

The principal items of revenue received during 1950–51 were in respect of motor cars, £3,190,253; motor cycles, £36,076; and drivers' licences, £212,514.

In the next statement, details relating to new registrations and renewals of registration of motor cars and motor cycles are shown for the years 1949–50 and 1950–51 respecively.

VICTORIA—NEW REGISTRATIONS AND RENEWALS OF REGISTRATION OF MOTOR CARS AND MOTOR CYCLES 1949-50 AND 1950-51

			1949-50.		1950-51,			
Vehicles.		New Reg	istrations.	Renewals	New Reg	Renewals		
		New Vehicles.	Used Vehicles.	of Registra- tion.	New Vehicles,	Used Vehicles.	of Registra- tion.	
Motor Cars—		No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	
Private		32,192	11,340	178,719	36,565	15,806	206,338	
Commercial and Hire		9,678	4,350	59,997	12,333	4,935	61,097	
Primary Producers'		7,036	3,105	59,239	6,528	3,385	59,639	
Motor Cycles		6,412	4,038	23,781	5,441	4,697	23,393	

TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS.

Summary of all Traffic Accidents.

The following statements contain particulars of traffic accidents which occurred only in the public thoroughfares of Victoria. Figures regarding accidents on private property or on railway lines (except at level crossings) are not included. The total number of deaths shown in these statements is not comparable, therefore, with those shown in Part "Vital Statistics" of this Year-Book:—

VICTORIA—NUMBER OF TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS: NUMBER OF PERSONS AFFECTED, 1950–51.

Place of Occurrence.	Accidents in which Persons were Killed or Injured.	Persons Killed.	Persons Injured.	Other Accidents in which Damage to Property was Estimated to Exceed £10.	Total Accidents.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
City of Melbourne	1,253	54	1,392	864	2,117
	(1,343)	(49)	(1,539)	(857)	(2,200)
Metropolitan Area (excluding City of Melbourne)	4,523	222	5,191	2,660	7,183
	(4,298)	(165)	(5,000)	(2,137)	(6,435)
Total—Metropolitan Area	5,776	276	6,583	3,524	9,300
	(5,641)	(214)	(6,539)	(2,994)	(8,635)
Remainder of State	3,498	305	4,781	2,063	5,561
	(2,977)	(287)	(3,999)	(1,677)	(4,654)
Grand Total	9,274	581	11,364	5,587	14,861
	(8,618)	(501)	(10,538)	(4,671)	(13,289)

Note.-Figures in parentheses in the table above relate to the year 1949-50.

In the table which follows, traffic accidents during 1950-51 have been recorded according to the classification of male and female victims:—

VICTORIA—TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS—PARTICULARS OF PERSONS KILLED OR INJURED, 1950-51.

December	Ma	les.	Fen	ıales.	Total.	
Description.	Killed.	Injured.	Killed.	Injured.	Killed.	Injured.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Pedestrian	147	1,632	34	815	181	2.447
Driver of motor vehicle other than	141	1,032	04	crs	701	2,441
motor cycle	100	1.832	- 4	155	104	1.987
Driver of motor cycle	104	1.595	3	21	107	1,616
Passenger—motor car, truck, bus, &c.	72	1,618	42	1.671	114	3.289
Passenger-Motor cycle and side car	Į.					,
(including pillion rider)	10	250	4	131	14	381
Pedal cyclist	47	1,210	1	205	48	1,415
Driver or passenger of horse-drawn				[]		
vehicle or equestrian	3	- 59	1	7	4	66
Other	9	111		52	. 9	163
Total	492	8,307	89	3,057	581	11,364

Particulars of victims of traffic accidents during 1950-51 are shown according to age and sex in the following statement:—

VICTORIA—TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS—AGE AND SEX OF PERSONS KILLED OR INJURED, 1950-51.

Age Group,		Ma	ıles.	Fen	ales.	Total.		
(Years)		Killed.	Injured.	Killed.	Injured.	Killed.	Injured	
		No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	
Under 5		16	234	11	160	27	394	
5 and under 7		2	173	4	97	6	270	
7 and under 17		24	819	8	383	32	1,202	
17 and under 30		183	3,384	16	838	199	4,222	
30 and under 40		41	1,398	15	447	56	1,845	
40 and under 50		58	938	11	367	69	1,305	
50 and under 60	• •	52	708	. 4	381	56	1,089	
60 and over	• •	116	651	20	384	136	1,035	
Not stated	••	··	2	••.		• •	2	
Total		492	8,307	89	3,057	581	11,364	

Causes of Accidents.

The principal causes of road accidents in which casualties occurred also the number of persons killed or injured are shown in the following table:—

VICTORIA—CAUSES OF ROAD ACCIDENTS, 1950-51.

Principal Causes of Road Accidents.	Accidents Involving Casualties.	Persons Killed,	Persons Injured.
Driver or rider of vehicle responsible—	No.	No.	No.
Excessive speed	737	116	1,087
Not keeping to left	694	56	1,077
Not giving right of way to other vehicle at intersection	1,341	38	1,715
Failing to make right hand turn at intersection with due care	158	0	204
Y	68	8	$\frac{204}{93}$
To describe the second	54	$\frac{5}{10}$	75
Inattentive driving or riding	2,037	105	2.514
Hit-run drivers	42	3	40
Reversing without care	94	9	102
Overtaking on near side or in the face of on-	91	• •	102
coming vehicles	136	6	176
Following other vehicle too closely	38	U	47
Infirmity of driver or rider	21		$\frac{1}{23}$
Driver asleep or drowsy	40	î	50
Dazzled by lights of an approaching vehicle Failing to signal intention of turning or	88	6	122
stopping or giving incorrect signal Pulling out from kerb suddenly or without	225	9	274
warning	50	• • •	59
observe traffic sign or signal of other driver	642	12	828
Crossing railway level crossing without due care	31	24	55
Other	52	• •	59
	6,548	400	8,600
Vehicle defects responsible—			
Defective brakes or steering	94	3	149
Inadequate or no lights	19		25
Defective tires	16		23
Other	45		53
	174	3	250
Pedestrians responsible—		<u> </u>	
Boarding vehicle in motion	40	2	38
Walking across roadway without due care	1,176	97	1,138
Running across roadway Passing from behind or in front of vehicle without	294	13	289
care	. 85	7	81
Stepping off kerb without care	97	1	100
Intoxicated	9	1	8
Infirmity	5	2	3
Child under 7 years of age not under, or breaking			
away from, the supervision of an elder person	327	18	309
Other	16	2	15
· And Andrews	2,049	143	1,981

VICTORIA—CAUSES OF ROAD ACCIDENTS, 1950-51—continued.

Principal Causes of Road Accidents.	Accidents Involving Casualties.	Persons Killed.	Persons Injured.	
Passengers responsible—		No.	No.	No.
Alighting from vehicle in motion Falling from vehicle in motion Riding improperly on vehicle Intoxicated Other	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	64 59 125 11 14	$\begin{array}{c} 2 \\ 5 \\ 15 \\ \\ \end{array}$	62 54 110 11 14
00		273	23	251
Other causes responsible— Attributed to animals Road faults	 ed	91 37 7 89 6	$egin{array}{c} 5 \\ 2 \\ \cdots \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{array}$	113 39 8 116 6
Total	• •	9,274	12 581	282 11,364

In the next table, accidents in which persons were killed or injured have been classified according to type of vehicle, &c., involved, e.g., where a collision has occurred between a motor car and a pedal cyclist, particulars of such accident are included under each heading. Correct totals cannot be arrived at by the addition of the items shown in the table.

VICTORIA—PERSONS KILLED OR INJURED, TYPES OF VEHICLES, ETC., INVOLVED, 1949–50 AND 1950–51.

		1949-50.		1950-51.				
Type of Vehicle, &c., Involved.	Number of Accidents.*	Number Killed.	Number Injured.	Number of Accidents.*	Number Killed.	Number Injured		
Motor Car	5,417	241	6,801	6,093	318	7,727		
Motor Van	586	36	825	750	39	1,037		
Motor Truck, Lorry	1.518	127	1,933	1.542	122	1,921		
Motor Bus	382	22	492	383	31	484		
Motor Cycle	2,201	148	2,549	2,093	136	2,382		
Pedal Cycle	1,516	49	1,571	1,491	53	1,539		
Tram—Electric	230	18	276	283	33	321		
Train—Electric and Steam	30	13	31	32	• 27	53		
Horse-drawn Vehicle	129	9	140	93	5	96		
Horse	17	٠	19	12	1	1.1		
Pedestrian	2,411	141	2,492	2,524	183	2,498		
Other	12	1	15	1.2	2	15		

^{*} Number of accidents refers only to those in which persons were killed or injured.

Details of breaches of the Motor Car Act and Traffic Regulations will be found in Part "Law, Crime, &c.", of this Year-Book.

CIVIL AVIATION.

The following information relating to Civil Aviation for each of the years 1949-50 to 1951-52 has been supplied by the Department of Civil Aviation.

It is not practicable to publish complete Statistics of Civil Aviation with relation to Victoria and the details of regular airline services shown in table relate only to the activities of Airline Companies registered in Victoria.

VICTORIA—CIVIL AVIATION 1949-50 TO 1951-52. (Particulars relating to Airline Companies registered in Victoria.)

Particulars.			1949–50.	1950–51.	1951-52.	
Registered aircraft owners			No.	65	56	57
Registered aircraft			,,	189	156	162
Landing Grounds-					į.	
Government			,,	15	18	17
Public			,,	6	1	1
Government Emergency			,,	1		
Accidents—						
Persons killed			,,	4		
Persons injured			,,	4	5	2
Regular Airline Operations-						
Hours flown			,,	176,126		208,390
Miles flown			,,	29,777,300	33,820,300	34,472,800
Passengers Carried—						
Paying			,,	1,211,869	1,375,085	1,472,918
Non paying			,,	17,001	17,492	18,508
Total			,,	1,228,870	1,392,577	1,491,426
Goods carried			Tons	41,132	49,153	47,632
Mail carried			lb.	5,488,224	6,093,472	4,998,480