



RAILWAY MAP
OF
VICTORIA
1955

SCALE OF MILES
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showing Victorian Government Railways
(in Red)

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PART VI.

TRADE, TRANSPORT, ETC.

TRADE.

Constitutional Powers. By the Commonwealth of Australia Constitution Act (section 51) (1) the power to make laws with respect to trade and commerce with other countries was conferred on the 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 Customs Tariff. The first Commonwealth Customs Tariff was introduced by Resolution on the 8th October, 1901, from which date the uniform duties came into effect throughout Australia. 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 1933-1954.

The Australian Customs Tariff has been developed in conformity with the policy of protecting economic and efficient Australian industries and of granting preferential treatment to imports from certain countries of the British Commonwealth. Duties are also imposed on some goods, generally of a luxury nature, for revenue purposes. Customs collections are a major source of revenue, but in its protective character the tariff has an important influence on the Australian economy.

Australia has a three column tariff—the British Preferential Tariff, Intermediate Tariff and General Tariff.

British Preferential Tariff. British Preferential Tariff rates of duty apply to goods the produce or manufacture of the United Kingdom, provided such goods comply with the laws and statutory regulations in force effecting the grant of Preference and that the goods have been shipped in the United Kingdom to Australia and have not been transhipped or, if transhipped, then only if it is proved satisfactorily that the intended destination of the goods, when originally shipped from the United Kingdom, was Australia. British Preferential Tariff rates of duty have also been extended by separate Trade Agreements to Canada and New Zealand and by tariff legislation to Territory of Papua-New Guinea. The benefits of the British Preferential Tariff are also accorded to Ceylon and to most of the British non-self-governing Colonies, Protectorates, and Trust Territories.

Intermediate Tariff. The Intermediate Tariff has been a feature of the Australian Customs Tariff for a considerable number of years, although its effective application 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 applies 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.

The countries to which the Intermediate Tariff applies are specified by Customs proclamation.

General Tariff. The 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 special rates under trade agreements apply.

Primage Duty. In addition to duties imposed by the Customs Tariff 1933-1954, *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, and the territory of Papua-New Guinea, are exempt from primage duty.

The Tariff Board. The *Tariff Board Act* 1921-1953 provides for the appointment of a Tariff Board consisting of seven members, two of whom shall be administrative officers of the Department of Trade and Customs. Members of the Board are appointed for terms of not less than one year nor more than five years. The purpose of the Tariff Board is to assist the Minister in the administration of matters relating to trade and customs. The more important matters which the Minister shall refer to the Board for inquiry and report include disputes arising out of the interpretation of any Customs or Excise Tariff; the necessity for new, increased or reduced duties; the necessity for granting bounties; any proposal for the application of the British Preferential Tariff to any part of the British Dominions or any foreign country; and any complaint that a manufacturer is taking undue advantage of the protection afforded him by the Tariff by charging unnecessarily high prices for his goods or acting in restraint of trade. The Minister may refer to the Board for inquiry and report the following matters:—the classification of goods under the items of Tariff that provide for

admission under By-laws; the determination of the value of goods for duty; the general effect of the working of the Customs Tariff and the Excise Tariff; the fiscal and industrial effects of the Customs laws of the Commonwealth; the incidence between the rates of duty on raw materials and on finished or partly finished products; and any other matter affecting the encouragement of primary or secondary industries in relation to the Tariff.

Inquiries conducted by the Board relating to any revision of the Tariff, any proposal for a bounty, or any complaint that a manufacturer is taking advantage of the protection afforded him by the Tariff, shall be held in public and evidence in such inquiries shall be taken on oath, unless any witness objects to giving any evidence which the Board is satisfied is of a confidential nature when the Board may take such evidence in private. Evidence taken by the Board in connexion with any inquiry under the *Customs Tariff (Industries Preservation) Act 1921-1936* shall be taken in public and on oath.

Industries Preservation. The *Customs Tariff (Industries Preservation) Act 1921-36* provides that, after inquiry and report by the Tariff Board, special duties shall be collected in the following cases when the importation of the goods referred to might be detrimental to an Australian industry. In the case of goods sold to Australia at a price less than a fair market value for home consumption or for a price which is less than a reasonable price, a special dumping duty shall be collected. This duty shall be equal to the difference between the price at which the goods were sold and the fair market value or the difference between the price at which the goods were sold and a reasonable price. Similar provision is made for goods consigned to Australia for sale. With regard to goods exported to Australia at rates of freight less than the normal rate of freight the dumping duty shall be—on goods carried free—the amount payable as freight at the normal rate; and in the case of any other goods—the amount equal to the difference between the freight paid and the freight which would have been payable at the normal rate.

The Act provides that the Minister for Trade and Customs, after inquiry and report by the Tariff Board, may publish a notice in the *Commonwealth Gazette* specifying the goods upon which the special rates of duty under this Act shall thereupon be charged and collected.

Trade Descriptions. The *Commerce (Trade Descriptions) Act 1905-1950* gives power to require the application of a proper trade description on certain prescribed goods imported into or exported from the Commonwealth. Goods which must bear a prescribed trade description upon importation into Australia are specified in the *Commerce (Imports) Regulations*. As regards exports from Australia, marking requirements are prescribed in regulations issued under the Act and relating to specified export commodities.

Trade Agreements. (i) United Kingdom.—A reciprocal trade agreement 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.

The *Customs Tariff (Canadian Preference) Act 1931* and the *Customs Tariff (Canadian Preference) Act 1934-1954* 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 1933-1954* gives legislative effect to the provisions of the agreement.

(iv) The Rhodesias and Nyasaland.—A trade agreement between Australia and Southern Rhodesia came into effect on 9th April, 1941. Australia's principal undertaking to Southern Rhodesia was to grant an exclusive tariff preference on tobacco leaf. Southern Rhodesia accorded preferential tariff treatment on a broad range of Australia's export commodities. Australia's grant of preferential tariff treatment to Northern Rhodesia and Nyasaland is based on article 15 of the United Kingdom and Australia Trade Agreement. The three territories are provisionally applying the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

The Constitution of the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland grants exclusive power over tariffs and trade agreements to the Federal Government. However, no federal tariff had been published by the middle of 1954. The separate tariffs and international agreements of the three constituent territories were still in force at that date.

(v) Other Countries.—Australia has entered into bilateral trade agreements with the Union of South Africa, Belgium, Brazil, Czechoslovakia, France, Greece, and Switzerland. Summaries of the texts of these agreements have been given in previous issues of the *Victorian Year-Book*.

(vi) The General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

The General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade is an international trade agreement which has been in operation since 1st January, 1948. Australia was an original signatory of the Protocol of Provisional Application by which Parts I. and III. of the Agreement are being provisionally applied. Part II. is being applied to the fullest extent not inconsistent with existing legislation at the date of signature of the Protocol.

There are now thirty-four contracting parties to the Agreement, comprising most of the world's larger trading nations.

Many of the articles in Part II. of the General Agreement are similar to articles which were included in the Havana Charter for an International Trade Organization. Had the Charter come into force, Part II. of the General Agreement, containing general commercial policy provisions to prevent tariff concessions being circumvented by other measures, would have been suspended.

Three series of tariff negotiations have been conducted under the provisions of the General Agreement. As a result of these negotiations, Australia has obtained tariff concessions on almost all the principal products of which Australia is an actual or potential exporter to the individual countries concerned. These concessions were a result both of direct negotiation by Australia and of negotiation by other countries—in the latter case, the benefits occur through the operation under the Agreement of the most-favoured-nation principle.

The Contracting Parties periodically hold plenary sessions to deal with questions arising out of the administration of the Agreement. The eighth session was held at Geneva in September–October, 1953. The ninth session was scheduled for Geneva in October, 1954.

**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 1921-1953. The articles on which excise duty is payable can only be manufactured under licence and subject to compliance with certain conditions.

This tariff relates 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.

Import Controls. (1) *Customs (Import Licensing) Regulations.*—The Customs (Import Licensing) Regulations 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. By March, 1953, Australia's balance of payments had shown sufficient improvement to justify a general relaxation in the quantitative restrictions applying to goods from sources other than the Dollar Area and Japan, and further progressive relaxations have been made since that date.

Applications for licences for Japanese goods are dealt with on a case by case basis within the general framework of the licensing controls.

Restrictions on imports from the Dollar Area have been maintained in varying degrees since their imposition in December, 1939, and, in general, the issue of the licences for the importation of goods from the Dollar Area is restricted to goods of a high degree of essentiality, unavailable in adequate quantities from other countries. The goods imported from the Dollar Area are mainly capital goods, raw materials, semi-manufactures and other producer goods. All applications for licences are treated on the merits of each individual case.

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.

Export Controls. (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 £A1,000 unless such articles have been the personal property of the passenger for at least twelve months.

**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 currency. If is necessary, therefore, when comparing the values of imports for 1947-48 and subsequent years with previous years, 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.

**Overseas
Trade of
Victoria.**

The total values of oversea trade to and from Victorian ports for each of the five years 1947-48 to 1951-52 are set forth in the following table. Exports do not include the value of stores shipped at Victorian ports on board oversea ships, particulars of which are shown on page 316.

OVERSEA TRADE.—RECORDED VALUES OF IMPORTS INTO
AND EXPORTS FROM VICTORIAN PORTS, 1947-48 TO
1951-52.

(Australian Currency Values.)

Year ended 30th June.				Merchandise.	Bullion and Specie.*	Total.
IMPORTS.						
				£A.	£A.	£A.
1948	..	..	..	120,503,712	96,292	120,600,004
1949	..	..	..	145,342,923	230,264	145,573,187
1950	..	..	..	182,900,006	1,356,742	184,256,748
1951	..	..	..	262,847,971	218,374	263,066,345
1952	..	..	..	361,806,782	1,386,497	363,193,279
EXPORTS.						
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
1952	..	..	..	185,953,661	40,276	185,993,937

* Includes gold, silver, and bronze specie, and gold and silver bullion.

That portion of the value of Commonwealth trade handled at Victorian ports for each of the five years 1947-48 to 1951-52 is shown in the following table. Prior to the year 1947-48 the values of imports were recorded in British currency:—

(Australian Currency Values.)

Year ended 30th June.	Commonwealth Trade—			Portion of Commonwealth Trade Handled at Victorian Ports—		
	Imports.	Exports.	Total.	Imports.	Exports.	Total.
	£A.	£A.	£A.	%	%	%
1948..	339,746,128	409,954,329	749,700,457	35.5	28.3	31.6
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
1952..	1,053,423,055	675,007,709	1,728,430,764	34.5	27.6	31.8

**Recorded
Values of
Principal
Imports.**

In the following table the recorded values of the 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 1947-48 TO 1951-52.

(Australian Currency Values.)

Article.	Year Ended 30th June—				
	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.
CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN, EXCLUDING LIVING ANIMALS.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
Cheese	11,338	7,729	5,593	18,085	29,348
Fish—					
Preserved in Tins	716,206	626,669	663,789	657,593	977,741
All other	248,687	286,521	259,435	290,276	485,901
Meats	116,430	117,348	74,464	117,442	245,476
All other Animal Foodstuffs ..	37,729	60,373	66,284	126,186	214,688
Total, Class I.	1,130,390	1,098,640	1,069,565	1,209,582	1,953,154
CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN: NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND SUBSTANCES USED IN MAKING.					
Cocoa and Chocolate	779,874	747,715	1,460,622	855,656	1,348,612
Coffee and Chicory,	107,079	223,767	477,814	466,276	771,071
Confectionery	43,091	75,894	67,415	82,603	103,018
Fruits, Dried	72,548	71,300	62,758	98,013	80,288
Grain and Pulse—					
Peas	45,632	19,190	47,180	22,510	74,689
All other	55,818	117,745	334,046	134,490	260,274
Hops	57,558	13,030	74,035	160,834	156,312
Nuts, Edible	373,505	290,308	438,772	563,177	449,586
Pickles and Sauces	7,143	15,301	19,709	34,496	57,194
Sago and Tapioca	109,806	52,056	34,062	50,075	78,109
Seeds	713	946	3,224	1,759	2,881
Spices, n.e.l.	187,496	115,096	322,017	413,906	445,284
Tea	3,904,171	2,759,615	4,452,411	5,498,489	3,838,301
All other Vegetable Foodstuffs ..	94,908	46,183	165,927	178,234	498,841
Total, Class II.	5,839,342	4,548,146	7,959,992	8,560,518	8,164,460

VALUES OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES IMPORTED FROM OVERSEA COUNTRIES
INTO VICTORIAN PORTS, 1947-48 TO 1951-52—continued.

(Australian Currency Values.)

Article.	Year ended 30th June—				
	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.
	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS AND ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS.					
Ale, Beer, Porter, &c.	10,412	38,711	23,619	39,808	89,703
Spirits (Beverages)—					
Brandy	26,869	35,713	13,829	26,307	44,772
Gin	2,375	5,078	4,896	7,469	7,385
Whisky	83,141	91,008	115,000	140,212	205,349
Other	18,392	25,368	20,673	46,093	86,748
Wine (Fermented)—					
Sparkling	21,467	15,727	10,117	18,056	25,545
Other	2,900	6,189	11,649	20,983	49,099
Total, Class III.	165,556	217,794	199,783	298,923	508,601
CLASS IV.—TOBACCO AND PREPARATIONS THEREOF.					
Tobacco—					
Manufactured	45,932	105,210	80,876	59,788	64,288
Unmanufactured	2,215,185	2,062,102	2,487,400	3,248,368	3,499,068
Cigars	5,351	20,967	17,582	67,723	15,280
Cigarettes	507,867	1,084,679	1,523,649	2,374,062	2,620,879
Snuff . . . . .	..	50	431	935	30
Total, Class IV.	2,774,335	3,273,008	4,109,938	5,750,876	6,199,545
CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS	133,242	168,168	111,170	148,633	123,647
CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES (MAINLY UNMANUFACTURED), NOT FOODSTUFFS.					
Hides and Skins—					
Hides (Calf, Cattle, and Horse)	133,867	32,253	24,714	22,342	224,468
Skins (Goat)	50,538	47,553	1,442	23,865	1,373
Other	457,250	302,325	349,511	423,728	397,829
Silk, Raw	406,749	386,701	89,633	269,631	122,921
Wool	456,705	343,301	536,293	726,935	979,375
All other Animal Substances	248,069	197,262	296,826	389,072	761,841
Total, Class VI.	1,753,178	1,309,395	1,298,419	1,855,573	2,487,807
CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES; CORK AND MANUFACTURES; PLASTIC MOULDING MATERIALS AND SYNTHETIC FIBRES.					
Fibres—					
Cotton, Raw	1,000,041	1,353,991	1,038,719	3,362,948	1,977,209
Flax and Hemp	230,738	164,306	26,194	60,405	233,604
Jute	617,041	421,073	287,689	590,209	726,707
Kapok	86,154	120,265	136,024	154,598	136,080
Other	535,213	665,982	808,411	2,143,906	5,014,413
Grass or Straw, for hatmaking, furniture, mats, &c.	67,283	45,516	47,737	34,521	24,051
Gums, Resins, and Balsams	265,908	130,020	143,573	387,225	545,768
Plastic Moulding Materials	973,547	749,546	910,358	1,375,791	2,120,672
Seeds	370,974	394,022	521,131	486,634	391,337
Tanning Substances	185,106	141,895	124,083	238,416	169,616
Cork and Cork Manufactures	154,484	101,085	115,333	149,483	338,022
All other Vegetable Substances	168,085	254,773	172,459	214,464	265,659
Total, Class VII.	4,654,574	4,542,474	4,331,711	9,198,600	11,943,138

VALUES OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES IMPORTED FROM OVERSEA COUNTRIES
INTO VICTORIAN PORTS, 1947-48 TO 1951-52—continued.

(Australian Currency Values.)

Article.	Year ended 30th June—				
	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.
CLASS VIII.—(a) YARNS AND MANUFACTURED FIBRES; (b) TEXTILES; AND (c) APPAREL.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
(a) <i>Yarns and Manufactured Fibres.</i>					
Bags and Sacks—					
Bran, Chaff, and Compressed Fodder	347,621	179,427	2,509	191,976	463,341
Corn and Flour	2,013,272	1,968,505	2,419,455	2,118,554	4,581,059
Other	1,044,842	396,432	833,406	747,974	1,334,244
Cordage and Twines (excluding Metal Cordage)	160,619	285,811	145,156	322,898	457,650
Yarns—					
Artificial Silk	2,106,537	2,568,253	2,170,723	4,076,748	4,337,755
Cotton	2,111,672	2,425,900	1,264,785	2,985,556	4,293,238
Sewing and other Cotton Threads, &c.	487,152	1,002,572	661,775	924,353	1,141,498
Wool	101,303	296,840	303,686	306,749	287,989
Other	33,277	44,854	19,606	46,114	63,876
(b) <i>Textiles.</i>					
Piece Goods—					
Canvas and Duck	446,505	553,966	469,453	713,697	1,632,837
Cotton and Linen	9,180,046	10,444,426	9,378,895	14,219,294	21,997,825
Hessians and other Jute Piece Goods	449,863	476,765	511,161	1,070,666	1,466,112
Silk and Artificial Silk	8,039,013	6,867,942	6,115,745	7,908,571	10,729,735
Velvets, Velvetens, Plushes, &c. Woolen	423,775	435,880	659,015	1,592,325	1,449,113
Other	680,432	2,255,607	2,558,251	1,938,605	1,535,902
Floor Coverings—Carpets, Lino- leums, Mats, &c.	904,516	1,269,524	983,268	1,688,405	2,432,601
Handkerchiefs and Serviettes of Cotton and Linen	2,479,483	3,233,449	3,944,566	5,409,924	6,107,251
Towels and Towelling	645,231	702,317	441,196	561,214	661,969
All other Textiles	344,774	734,458	561,273	401,138	763,938
	454,778	458,138	540,838	790,444	932,263
(c) <i>Apparel.</i>					
Boots and Shoes	137,028	319,454	356,168	585,513	1,125,869
Corsets	56,195	24,745	19,025	23,994	32,941
Furs and other Skins—Dressed	30,358	54,723	57,929	145,484	72,154
Gloves	436,540	375,110	361,393	547,205	741,982
Hats and Caps	132,294	184,868	178,178	332,259	350,929
Hosiery and Knitted Apparel (including Socks and Stockings)	315,989	1,223,734	842,547	600,585	1,014,692
Lace for Attire, Lace Flouncings, &c.	741,397	650,615	992,136	1,238,022	1,846,440
Shirts, Pyjamas	5,723	70,469	77,247	78,019	141,682
Men's and Boys' Outer Garments	312,595	675,046	610,617	876,277	1,276,706
Trimnings	722,714	678,739	594,540	899,120	984,190
Other	354,672	731,447	1,000,500	1,351,740	1,648,415
Total, Class VIII.	35,705,216	41,590,016	39,075,047	54,688,423	75,906,196

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INTO VICTORIAN PORTS, 1947-48 TO 1951-52—continued.

(Australian Currency Values.)

Article.	Year ended 30th June—				
	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.
	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS, AND WAXES.					
Oils—					
Kerosene, &c.	983,869	1,131,007	1,134,109	1,584,107	1,742,444
Lubricating (Mineral)	1,126,066	1,214,221	1,227,212	1,301,088	3,135,385
Petroleum, Crude	312,694	166,674	1,009,282	1,321,314	1,262,117
Petroleum and Shale Spirit	4,362,843	5,849,809	7,684,376	11,164,121	12,336,403
Residual and Solar	1,722,279	2,405,268	3,004,459	3,320,261	4,923,263
Linseed	372,950	333,548	184,952	162,862	735,077
Castor	241,372	40,633	6	307,215	408,011
Turpentine and Substitutes therefor	117,449	159,488	155,091	292,286	284,881
Paraffin Wax	272,280	154,810	84,341	171,652	254,383
All other Oils, Fats, and Waxes	602,614	824,310	504,796	887,146	1,411,045
Total, Class IX.	10,114,416	12,279,768	14,988,624	20,512,052	26,493,009
CLASS X.—PIGMENTS, PAINTS, AND VARNISHES	594,279	753,116	606,387	902,472	1,418,941
CLASS XI.—ROCKS, MINERALS, INCLUDING ORES AND CONCENTRATES, AND HYDRO-CARBONS.					
Sulphur (Brimstone)	275,714	311,490	1,317,904	1,830,496	400,732
All other Rocks, Minerals, &c.	452,170	1,314,365	1,947,189	2,124,950	1,443,071
Total, Class XI.	727,884	1,625,855	3,265,093	3,955,446	1,843,803
CLASS XII.—(a) METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES, (b) ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES AND MACHINERY, AND (c) MACHINERY.					
<i>(a) Metals and Metal Manufactures, (except Electric Appliances and Machinery).</i>					
Aluminium	72,479	314,146	289,539	364,884	619,222
Copper and Copper Manufactures (except Wire)	114,066	228,589	636,057	1,942,675	1,030,439
Heating and Cooking Appliances	331,732	192,211	281,797	599,374	1,032,788
Iron and Steel—					
Bar, Rod, Hoop, Ingots, Blooms, &c.	222,617	460,111	2,212,260	2,043,230	3,961,321
Pipes and Tubes	41,497	73,055	515,603	821,110	1,128,876
Plate and Sheet	3,342,625	3,970,502	6,114,657	11,607,766	15,601,504
Other	94,440	137,754	1,320,856	2,338,114	3,238,221
Lamps and Lampware	57,601	107,011	125,933	184,254	270,498
Nickel	11,001	23,437	37,962	25,964	53,806
Plated Ware and Cutlery	638,143	417,749	616,080	735,646	1,028,720
Tools of Trade (not being Machines)	707,221	630,759	849,168	1,090,617	1,658,750
Vehicles—					
Motor Cycles, Tricycles, &c.	407,404	513,811	765,987	618,845	600,319
Bodies for Motor Cars, &c.	1,029,770	2,266,735	6,453,131	5,472,352	6,639,285
Chassis for Motor Cars, &c.*	6,260,795	10,038,262	18,139,551	19,854,165	22,321,154
Aircraft and Parts	1,233,371	1,762,571	899,786	1,034,130	2,324,424
Other Vehicles and Parts	1,124,066	1,394,356	2,166,734	3,912,263	5,034,438
Wire	489,556	740,253	2,466,210	3,223,147	4,081,756
All other Metals and Metal Manufactures other than Machinery	1,686,520	2,332,318	3,245,850	5,745,960	8,540,165

* Including complete motor vehicles.

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INTO VICTORIAN PORTS, 1947-48 TO 1951-52—*continued.*

(*Australian Currency Values.*)

Article.	Year ended 30th June—				
	1948.	1949.	1950	1951.	1952.
	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
CLASS XII.—(a) METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES, (b) ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES AND MACHINERY, AND (c) MACHINERY—<i>continued.</i>					
(b) <i>Dynamo Electrical Machinery and Electrical Appliances and Equipment.</i>					
Cable and Wire, Covered ..	399,148	776,191	1,472,471	1,344,047	735,979
Dynamo Machines	638,328	1,244,952	1,270,292	1,488,743	2,016,374
Telephones and Switchboards ..	200,532	409,445	531,014	442,127	515,553
Wireless and Parts	120,430	117,861	81,234	137,942	183,323
Other	1,380,823	2,277,136	2,975,207	5,384,870	6,097,044
(c) <i>Machines and Machinery (except Dynamo Electrical).</i>					
Implements and Machinery (Agricultural, Horticultural, and Viticultural)	373,605	303,214	556,286	1,006,469	2,019,842
Refrigerating Appliances and Parts ..	100,976	285,189	556,456	485,458	995,676
Clothes Washing Machines	104,219	280,271	407,722	741,199	1,482,102
Vacuum Cleaners and Parts	297,576	174,301	212,278	362,290	552,312
Dredging and Excavating Machinery ..	85,159	279,464	452,055	477,318	718,162
Metal Working Machinery	2,087,766	1,393,917	1,683,483	2,096,740	2,848,346
Motive Power Machinery—					
Aircraft Engines and Parts	611,566	376,513	382,150	559,421	729,894
Motor Car Engines	56,454	103,393	62,780	101,083	264,457
Tractors and Parts	1,441,666	3,279,996	5,524,808	7,099,003	7,885,702
Locomotives and Parts thereof ..	32,443	52,863	139,055	1,707,511	2,692,226
Other	1,124,622	1,390,940	1,681,163	3,796,203	4,617,000
Roller Bearings and Ball Bearings ..	785,936	774,729	960,205	823,582	1,599,260
Textile Industry Machinery and Appliances	1,276,802	2,056,430	2,717,366	2,573,208	2,687,297
Office and Accounting Machinery ..	183,385	362,867	624,666	1,096,664	1,587,853
All other Machines and Machinery ..	2,451,302	4,099,325	5,278,691	7,958,551	11,279,023
Total, Class XII.	31,567,642	45,642,627	74,706,543	101,299,925	131,663,171
CLASS XIII.—RUBBER AND LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF AND SUBSTITUTES THEREFOR (EXCEPT APPAREL).					
(a) <i>Rubber and Rubber Manufactures.</i>					
Rubber, Crude, Powdered or Reclaimed	1,466,227	1,593,319	1,990,444	9,917,694	10,135,709
Rubber Manufactures	832,210	1,048,663	1,935,240	2,276,110	4,550,306
(b) <i>Leather and Manufactures of Leather and Substitutes therefor.</i>					
Glace Kid	7,369	10,495	15,219	13,229	14,791
All other	217,467	210,640	224,724	325,793	422,749
Total, Class XIII.	2,523,273	2,863,117	4,165,627	12,532,826	15,123,555
CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER, RAW AND MANUFACTURED.					
Timber—					
Dressed	491,652	1,262,785	1,190,983	2,379,824	5,578,441
Undressed	862,566	1,556,938	1,409,565	2,320,885	4,738,589
Wood and Wicker Manufactures, including Furniture	194,147	248,220	365,396	428,153	725,787
Total, Class XIV.	1,548,365	3,067,943	2,965,944	5,128,862	11,042,817

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INTO VICTORIAN PORTS, 1947-48 TO 1951-52—continued.

(Australian Currency Values.)

Article.	Year ended 30th June—				
	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.
	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
CLASS XV.—EARTHENWARE, CEMENT, CHINA, GLASS, AND STONWARE.					
Cement (Portland)	22,806	127,275	283,539	371,885	1,745,383
Earthenware, China, &c. .. .	832,834	1,075,293	1,217,539	1,110,153	1,663,074
Glass and Glassware	1,046,351	890,922	1,046,728	1,284,162	2,093,208
All other Earthenware, Cement, China, Glass, and Stoneware ..	307,429	450,846	467,480	874,477	1,425,027
Total, Class XV.	2,209,420	2,544,336	3,015,286	3,640,677	6,926,692
CLASS XVI.—PAPER AND STATIONERY.					
<i>(a) Pulp, Paper, and Board.</i>					
Cardboard and other Paper Boards	531,174	340,640	400,754	1,006,126	2,459,678
Printing	2,595,374	1,766,453	2,305,575	3,272,299	7,447,743
Pulp for Papermaking	1,044,277	1,270,862	348,898	1,104,085	3,649,403
Wrapping of all Colours	774,703	575,504	358,012	1,119,463	2,539,385
Writing and Typewriting Paper ..	1,019,607	365,921	205,530	537,264	1,753,158
All other	654,614	964,342	730,715	1,540,105	1,998,892
<i>(b) Paper Manufactures and Stationery.</i>					
Books (Printed), Directories, &c.	964,129	967,291	1,142,392	1,234,046	1,627,814
Cigarette Tubes and Papers .. .	72,869	8,077	7,047	28,495	31,881
Price Lists, Catalogues, &c. .. .	3,439	9,117	8,185	9,829	12,717
Pens and Pencils	506,579	400,083	469,478	431,085	386,781
All other	533,809	459,772	510,176	681,118	1,113,759
Total, Class XVI.	8,700,574	7,128,062	6,486,762	10,963,915	23,021,211
CLASS XVII.—SPORTING MATERIAL, TOYS, FANCY GOODS, JEWELLERY, AND TIMEPIECES.					
Sporting Material	113,298	172,858	131,137	213,598	264,879
Fancy Goods, Toys, &c.	442,639	588,322	790,524	1,146,697	1,226,028
Jewellery, including Cameos, &c.	457,667	544,257	567,407	964,420	643,171
Watches, Clocks, Chronometers, &c.	478,518	540,260	908,006	935,316	1,128,304
Total, Class XVII.	1,492,122	1,845,697	2,397,074	3,260,031	3,262,382
CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL, AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS AND APPLIANCES, AND PHOTOGRAPHIC GOODS, n.e.i.					
Optical and Meteorological Instruments, &c.	136,318	89,135	123,199	179,983	262,763
Cinematograph Films	46,321	73,500	92,136	115,896	112,486
Photographic Goods, n.e.i. .. .	59,267	82,220	79,008	86,378	123,411
Surgical and Dental Instruments, &c.	378,317	400,760	412,173	594,792	820,606
Scientific Instruments, &c. .. .	312,178	365,884	388,605	402,639	572,043
All other Optical and Scientific Instruments	160,847	337,166	378,136	457,652	529,708
Total, Class XVIII.	1,093,248	1,348,665	1,473,257	1,837,340	2,421,017

VALUES OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES IMPORTED FROM OVERSEA COUNTRIES
INTO VICTORIAN PORTS, 1947-48 TO 1951-52—*continued.*

(Australian Currency Values.)

Article.	Year ended 30th June—				
	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.
CLASS XIX.—DRUGS, FERTILIZERS, AND CHEMICALS.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
Acids	117,702	103,544	157,665	208,130	744,559
Drugs and Medicinal Preparations	417,210	431,046	587,663	1,323,501	1,651,376
Dyes	664,285	1,028,828	475,979	636,572	1,104,256
Fertilizers	735,485	829,045	932,356	763,677	844,115
Oils, Essential (Non-spirituous) ..	97,996	68,583	91,153	226,114	246,036
Perfumery and Toilet Preparations	124,908	123,373	109,697	164,146	122,801
Soap and Soap Substitutes	39,166	70,090	21,969	84,092	80,857
Sodium Salts	336,260	498,649	199,047	418,934	730,510
Spirits and Spirituous Preparations	49,590	66,215	48,963	105,764	536,363
All other Drugs and Chemicals ..	1,063,316	1,222,172	1,205,000	1,842,307	3,967,285
Total, Class XIX.	3,645,918	4,442,745	3,829,992	5,773,237	10,028,158
CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS.					
Arms, Ammunition and Explosives	582,864	812,645	514,659	761,373	5,931,715
Bags, Baskets, Trunks, &c.	118,458	133,096	196,456	285,482	248,276
Brushware	117,831	90,627	111,444	143,154	166,826
Fire Brigade and Life-saving Appliances, n.e.i.	13,850	20,936	5,645	14,846	17,672
Outside Packages	2,232,665	2,729,854	3,607,432	4,399,964	6,823,051
Vessels (Ships)	* 283	21,807	13,378	252,571	71,709
Wall and Ceiling Boards	*	*	*	*	1,205,219
Houses and Buildings, Prefabricated	.. .. .	12,232	1,102,477	3,594,538	3,847,126
All other Articles	1,064,787	1,232,154	1,292,301	1,878,127	2,963,884
Total, Class XX.	4,130,738	5,053,351	6,843,792	11,330,055	21,275,478
CLASS XXI.—GOLD AND SILVER AND BRONZE SPECIE.					
Gold	93,465	229,208	1,355,169	215,797	1,158,112
Silver	2,814	1,056	1,573	2,571	197,010
Bronze Specie	13	..	..	6	31,375
Total, Class XXI.	96,292	230,264	1,356,742	218,374	1,386,497
Total Imports	120,600,004	145,573,187	184,256,748	263,066,345	363,193,279

* Not recorded separately.

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 1951-52 was as follows:—Yarns and manufactured fibres, textiles, and apparel 21 per cent.; machinery and metal manufactures 33 per cent.; oils, &c., 7 per cent.; paper manufactures and stationery 6 per cent.; rubber and rubber manufactures 4 per cent.

Recorded
Values of
Principal
Exports.

The recorded values of the principal articles exported to oversea countries from Victorian ports during each of the five years 1948-52 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 1947-48 TO 1951-52.
(Australian Currency Values.)

Article.	Year ended 30th June—				
	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.
	£A	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN, EXCLUDING LIVING ANIMALS.					
Butter	9,212,338	9,848,294	11,224,357	7,803,626	3,165,679
Cheese	1,697,685	2,169,093	2,492,614	2,640,112	2,994,755
Eggs	1,564,774	1,580,594	1,435,407	974,294	666,378
Infants' and Invalids' Food, n.e.i.	300,885	256,314	304,350	236,669	333,718
Meats—					
Bacon and Hams	132,791	123,270	84,736	67,735	137,294
Preserved by Cold Process—					
Beef	137,160	122,896	59,173	99,247	248,881
Lamb	2,558,208	1,867,851	3,787,556	1,574,490	1,205,040
Mutton	213,859	278,064	1,121,897	125,877	211,374
Pork	73,765	212,424	168,571	141,804	87,016
Poultry	595,112	644,470	753,052	1,111,893	904,864
Rabbits and Hares*	1,353,986	2,390,701	2,287,253	1,790,048	2,594,094
Other	202,609	214,996	396,584	251,228	283,285
Preserved in Tins	1,525,841	2,545,970	3,336,400	3,643,134	6,426,183
Sausage Casings	329,684	386,030	880,314	875,991	1,015,397
Other	44,446	83,055	116,434	97,619	80,259
Milk and Cream	2,961,437	3,271,799	4,052,643	3,939,472	5,488,704
Honey	271,178	480,609	191,992	44,682	171,804
All other Animal Foodstuffs	100,972	227,647	635,740	699,356	392,183
Total, Class I.	23,276,730	26,704,077	33,329,073	26,117,277	26,406,908
CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN; NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND SUBSTANCES USED IN MAKING.					
Biscuits	14,633	1,621	1,907	3,795	6,213
Confectionery	249,624	431,916	1,027,529	383,321	229,350
Fruits, Dried	1,554,839	2,404,127	1,969,259	2,635,040	3,787,827
" Fresh	657,620	875,282	779,931	1,390,174	1,651,792
" Preserved in liquid	1,843,754	2,761,821	2,066,766	2,577,353	4,030,093
" Pulped	29,420	24,212	35,466	6,535	8,313
Grain and Pulse—					
Unprepared—					
Wheat	11,626,097	6,943,781	13,278,364	22,506,610	13,589,998
Oats	1,401,770	2,963,998	1,602,982	2,126,908	3,905,306
Barley	52,734	1,263,633	1,054,464	1,549,135	1,369,641
Other	380,136	269,148	129,573	223,302	146,386
Prepared—					
Flour (Wheat)	11,653,993	10,802,761	9,535,345	8,675,409	13,214,469
Barley—Pearl and Scotch	474,500	92,383	9,591	6,921	4,362
Rice—Cleaned	284,654	212,463	200,831	241,951	115,094
Oatmeal, Wheatmeal and Rolled Oats	511,783	253,935	172,862	194,922	160,438
Macaroni and Vermicelli	94,506	114,559	82,352	23,237	23,493
Other	845,873	1,681,249	119,537	208,136	168,915
Jams and Jellies	925,450	845,667	1,008,761	764,610	446,795
Tea	11,488	12,010	20,454	18,940	6,961
Vegetables (including Tomatoes)	936,182	327,623	893,111	317,329	470,640
All other Vegetable Foodstuffs	934,231	1,565,941	775,132	468,506	589,088
Total, Class II.	34,483,292	33,848,130	34,764,217	44,322,134	43,925,174

* Including rabbit and hare meat.

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FROM VICTORIAN PORTS, 1947-48 TO 1951-52—continued.

(Australian Currency Values.)

Article.	Year ended 30th June—				
	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.
CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS AND ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS ..	£A 335,380	£A. 300,638	£A. 254,375	£A. 340,588	£A. 352,255
CLASS IV.—TOBACCO AND PREPARATIONS THEREOF ..	16,234	81,035	25,010	13,758	18,474
CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS ..	77,812	94,932	23,817	51,109	123,626
CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES (MAINLY UNMANUFACTURED), NOT FOODSTUFFS.					
Hides and Skins—					
Hides (Calf, Cattle, Horse) ..	103,680	219,167	266,893	285,206	248,654
Fox	3,378	3,393	5,176	10,413	4,733
Opossum	10,505	2,740	43,487	4,159	25,527
Rabbit and Hare	1,786,345	1,142,571	598,594	1,152,272	484,596
Sheep	3,314,618	3,287,598	5,023,036	9,501,115	6,133,669
Other	10,492	7,054	11,674	40,934	17,186
Wool—					
Greasy	29,605,003	49,294,258	65,602,743	143,722,594	73,952,216
Scoured and Washed	7,247,658	8,882,898	11,995,200	21,340,856	14,018,548
Tops, Nolls and Waste	2,132,359	2,144,909	1,547,306	2,733,179	2,204,451
Other Animal Substances	42,708	22,748	56,284	80,825	119,725
Total, Class VI.	44,256,746	65,007,342	85,150,393	178,871,553	97,209,305
CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES; CORK AND MANUFACTURES, PLASTIC MOULDING MATERIALS AND SYNTHETIC FIBRES	466,543	244,246	298,319	456,121	456,047
CLASS VIII.—(a) YARNS AND MANUFACTURED FIBRES; (b) TEXTILES; AND (c) APPAREL.					
Yarns and Manufactured Fibres—					
Yarns (Woolen)	1,216,660	455,377	303,807	402,931	441,295
.. (Silk)	83,582	81,523	84,853	25,702	3,824
Other	100,898	31,419	81,295	139,886	134,436
Textiles	1,422,147	696,111	638,691	587,678	642,218
Apparel—					
Outer Garments	111,277	122,191	48,466	9,655	8,037
Underwear	32,659	15,128	17,390	11,885	2,673
Boots and Shoes	24,881	42,546	6,444	15,391	16,823
Other	363,286	99,969	188,032	118,096	107,565
Total, Class VIII.	3,355,390	1,544,264	1,368,978	1,311,224	1,356,871
CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS, AND WAXES.					
Tallow—Unrefined	195,140	340,858	725,447	601,330	327,214
All other Oils, Fats, and Waxes ..	375,933	438,284	579,123	484,822	436,349
Total, Class IX.	571,073	779,142	1,304,570	1,086,152	763,563
CLASS X.—PIGMENTS, PAINTS, AND VARNISHES	33,067	78,791	101,291	239,987	369,347.
CLASS XI.—ROCKS, MINERALS INCLUDING ORES AND CONCENTRATES, AND HYDRO-CARBONS	436,362	558,861	435,874	1,366,500	2,372,940

VALUES OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES EXPORTED TO OVERSEA COUNTRIES
FROM VICTORIAN PORTS, 1947-48 TO 1951-52—continued.

(Australian Currency Values.)

Article.	Year ended 30th June—				
	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.
	£A	£A	£A	£A.	£A.
CLASS XII.—(a) METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES, (b) ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES AND MACHINERY, AND (c) MACHINERY.					
<i>(a) Metals and Metal Manufactures (except Electrical Appliances and Machinery).</i>					
Bolts, and Nuts, Rivets and Washers, n.e.i.	30,667	28,022	24,457	17,483	27,933
Iron and Steel	56,605	161,506	75,647	117,728	130,733
Cadmium—Blocks, Bars, &c.	6,695	27,906	9,328	16,855	4,532
Lead (Pig)	335,484	84,874	231,203	4,187	26,526
Motor Cars, Lorries, &c., and Parts	101,335	134,369	190,271	121,189	543,939
Zinc—Bars, Blocks, &c.	238,812	127,048	197,578	218,990	328,976
All other Metals and Manufactures thereof	1,289,143	998,919	961,954	936,553	1,409,949
<i>(b) Dynamo Electrical Machinery and Electrical Appliances and Equipment</i>	272,123	293,545	232,718	273,567	269,086
<i>(c) Machines and Machinery (except Dynamo Electrical).</i>					
Agricultural Implements	455,038	354,048	429,702	316,105	677,409
Other	1,423,060	1,223,779	1,234,908	1,859,567	1,916,484
Total, Class XII.	4,208,962	3,434,016	3,587,766	3,882,224	5,335,567
CLASS XIII.—RUBBER AND LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF AND SUBSTITUTES THEREOF (EXCEPT APPAREL).					
Rubber and Manufactures	176,565	53,288	48,179	50,540	100,239
Leather and Manufactures	908,943	834,926	1,049,637	1,484,176	870,595
Total, Class XIII.	1,085,508	888,214	1,097,816	1,534,716	970,834
CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER, RAW AND MANUFACTURED	69,453	78,537	72,079	94,348	167,646
CLASS XV. — EARTHENWARE, CEMENT, CHINA, GLASS, AND STONWARE	72,607	60,962	86,575	58,781	49,927
CLASS XVI.—PAPER AND STATIONERY.					
Paper	41,845	70,924	58,542	52,867	87,200
Stationery	225,549	160,687	212,829	210,959	276,982
Total, Class XVI.	267,394	231,611	271,371	263,826	364,182

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FROM VICTORIAN PORTS, 1947-48 TO 1951-52—continued.
(Australian Currency Values.)

Article.	Year ended 30th June—				
	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.
	£A	£A	£A.	£A.	£A.
CLASS XVII.—SPORTING MATERIAL, TOYS, FANCY GOODS, JEWELLERY, AND TIMEPIECES.					
Precious Stones, Unset, Pearls, Cameos, &c.	2,875	3,820	50,375	5,051	11,593
Sporting Material	88,026	92,529	60,623	63,374	93,424
All other Jewellery, Time-pieces, &c.	26,797	22,123	65,821	118,911	111,844
Total, Class XVII.	117,698	118,472	176,819	187,336	216,861
CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL, AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS AND APPLIANCES, AND PHOTOGRAPHIC GOODS, n.e.i.					
	306,143	233,833	340,599	300,013	471,565
CLASS XIX.—DRUGS, FERTILIZERS, AND CHEMICALS.					
Bacteriological Products and Sera	16,052	16,810	6,983	13,101	13,840
Casein	78,500	9,350	74,576	484,022	156,086
Fertilizers	294	1,942	7,725	36,076	39,990
Medicines	198,540	362,395	323,870	563,142	483,780
Oil—Eucalyptus	165,370	77,284	98,193	233,549	247,999
Perfumery and Toilet Preparations, n.e.i.	40,443	47,250	24,044	32,869	35,937
Soap	16,606	40,028	105,259	147,206	163,587
Yeast	7,494	2,246	9,593	17,299	7,105
Other Drugs and Chemicals	559,595	329,248	456,974	583,467	871,291
Total, Class XIX.	1,082,894	886,553	1,107,217	2,110,731	2,019,615
CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS.					
Arms, Ammunition and Explosives	217,465	317,369	807,205	1,150,821	1,527,691
Matches and Vestas	45,575	38,755	45,631	53,973	60,575
Patriotic Gifts	71,580	205,095	318,669	256,746	384,473
Other	503,787	577,051	883,516	942,590	1,030,215
Total, Class XX.	838,407	1,138,270	2,055,021	2,404,130	3,002,954
CLASS XXI.—GOLD AND SILVER; AND BRONZE SPECIE.					
Gold	140	1,367	..	..	..
Silver	605,674	111,286	345,393	31,432	40,245
Bronze Specie	30	34,650	..	73	31
Total, Class XXI.	605,844	147,303	345,393	31,505	40,276
Australian produce	114,212,908	135,296,149	164,907,436	263,711,056	184,723,863
Other produce	1,750,631	1,163,080	1,289,137	1,332,957	1,270,074
Total Exports	115,963,539	136,459,229	166,196,573	265,044,013	185,993,937

The export trade consists largely of agricultural, dairying, and pastoral products. The value of wool, wheat, oats, flour, butter, fruits (all kinds), meats, hides and skins, milk and cream, cheese and eggs exported during 1951-52, amounted to almost 88 per cent. of the total merchandise (Australian produce) exported—wool alone represented nearly 49 per cent. The total value of exports decreased by £79,050,076 during 1951-52 as compared with the previous year.

The value of the trade with various countries of the world in each of the five years 1948-52 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, 1947-48 TO 1951-52.

(Australian Currency Values.)

Imports from—	Value in Year ended 30th June—				
	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.
	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
United Kingdom	48,661,112	78,446,789	97,855,645	126,057,551	161,879,489
Africa, British East	159,601	901,725	795,369	1,937,121	2,753,501
" West	580,368	458,707	795,163	823,961	559,381
Canada	5,247,001	3,348,326	3,540,766	4,687,540	6,534,757
Hong Kong	68,877	144,573	181,113	877,257	733,316
India and Ceylon	11,383,665	9,402,870	11,584,020	15,007,707	15,913,672
Malaya (British) and Singapore	1,788,640	2,380,660	2,982,207	11,156,662	12,106,668
New Zealand	1,359,195	1,433,600	2,569,388	1,205,518	3,403,357
Pacific Islands (British)	198,558	74,619	163,022	106,966	199,013
South African Union	1,194,078	871,503	1,454,572	2,243,669	1,534,657
West Indies (British)	94,668	64,159	49,145	71,442	104,625
Other British Possessions	1,209,094	1,969,509	2,304,599	4,333,265	4,243,408
Bahrain Islands	1,759,779	1,175,532	1,937,798	3,003,432	4,084,118
Belgium	1,721,610	983,134	1,287,112	4,080,356	7,198,874
China	244,718	584,617	361,734	723,546	1,079,986
Czecho-Slovakia	714,718	1,552,682	1,905,612	2,364,578	2,268,954
Egypt	280,212	332,207	117,393	1,122,373	1,176,172
Finland	470,709	949,526	620,363	5,222,950	3,637,448
France	1,206,719	1,474,259	3,475,675	5,222,950	6,838,850
Germany	379,509	969,701	2,524,608	6,629,505	12,445,293
Indonesia	938,918	3,645,601	4,381,499	6,939,648	7,397,414
Italy	985,011	1,640,724	3,667,497	7,024,180	10,925,781
Japan	653,523	685,800	2,747,618	5,857,821	15,595,331
Netherlands	853,370	1,169,374	1,231,010	2,971,032	4,921,548
Norway	1,088,293	1,204,216	1,207,241	1,681,740	3,583,938
Persia (Iran)	3,165,046	3,311,283	4,745,055	5,423,262	747,651
Peru	2	20,613	26,692	42,414	59,895
Philippines Republic	24,676	5,210	30,778	19,190	43,935
Spain	46,535	206,743	132,054	341,738	333,176
Sweden	1,985,913	3,901,204	2,855,171	6,172,878	11,037,766
Switzerland	743,390	768,039	986,424	2,517,652	2,779,491
Soviet Russia (U.S.S.R.)	46,123	43,842	182,748	230,870	395,428
United States of America	27,042,000	16,444,543	18,666,465	22,492,473	36,973,515
Other Foreign Countries	1,864,428	2,083,643	3,303,510	5,820,005	12,799,770
Total (excluding Outside Packages*)	118,367,339	142,843,333	180,648,946	258,666,381	356,370,228

* "Outside Packages," 1947-48, £2,232,665; 1948-49, £2,729,854; 1949-50, £3,607,802; 1950-51, £4,399,964; and 1951-52, £6,823,051.

Exports to—	Value in Year ended 30th June—				
	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.
	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
United Kingdom	43,924,370	54,019,343	60,363,601	77,815,699	55,561,835
Africa, British East	142,178	212,083	136,300	176,510	201,978
" West	85,408	111,608	144,680	251,813	145,931
Canada	1,668,803	3,286,456	3,210,111	5,854,442	3,850,018
Hong Kong	2,913,620	1,390,423	2,849,520	2,473,273	1,400,208
India and Ceylon	13,679,038	9,192,762	10,963,474	8,572,264	10,989,352
Malaya (British) and Singapore	5,704,078	5,261,501	5,199,066	5,629,280	7,514,469
New Zealand	4,465,176	4,487,918	6,233,410	5,746,016	12,574,064

IMPORTS (ACCORDING TO COUNTRY OF ORIGIN) INTO VICTORIAN PORTS FROM VARIOUS COUNTRIES, AND EXPORTS DIRECT THERETO FROM VICTORIAN PORTS, 1947-48 TO 1951-52—continued.
(Australian Currency Values.)

Exports to—	Value in Year ended 30th June—				
	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.
	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
Pacific Islands (British) ..	288,523	235,056	381,621	384,931	499,620
South African Union ..	904,330	1,025,950	998,155	1,948,536	1,327,795
West Indies (British) ..	408,265	447,169	667,051	667,621	612,192
Other British Possessions ..	5,863,771	2,645,062	3,420,470	3,505,301	4,870,343
Bahrein Islands ..	31,966	31,797	86,471	83,266	94,527
Belgium ..	2,822,414	2,174,934	2,712,739	5,930,923	4,355,658
China ..	1,011,869	474,163	228,455	237,155	79,636
Czecho-Slovakia ..	169,743	314,619	1,781,160	1,428,260	460,444
Egypt ..	2,111,360	2,852,170	2,218,249	9,178,596	2,644,229
Finland ..	55,023	92,044	344,519	120,949	152,711
France ..	7,304,353	9,904,908	9,775,950	26,181,385	16,119,704
Germany ..	1,141,279	1,635,470	3,874,089	5,316,715	6,231,987
Indonesia ..	5,813	610,796	190,807	1,137,618	1,681,245
Italy ..	3,285,383	8,478,145	4,920,902	14,989,085	10,363,185
Japan ..	350,796	991,732	6,311,704	16,660,930	9,130,280
Netherlands ..	473,877	1,414,320	2,751,331	2,683,463	2,619,534
Norway ..	157,093	170,279	457,271	938,165	60,424
Persia (Iran) ..	150,856	260,212	561,947	312,584	119,528
Philippines Republic ..	55,183	169,665	181,962	150,758	228,761
Poland ..	301,859	2,400,125	3,215,986	4,339,154	958,599
Spain ..	21,017	19,257	1,037,136	48	162,928
Sweden ..	942,942	1,821,833	2,155,485	5,949,313	2,758,561
Switzerland ..	307,330	175,161	615,407	657,252	454,841
Soviet Russia (U.S.S.R.) ..	2,027,568	6,186,834	7,458,991	4,704,724	13
United States of America ..	10,650,290	7,746,201	14,564,498	40,973,694	20,573,842
Other Foreign Countries ..	2,548,165	6,219,233	6,264,055	10,044,395	7,145,495
Total ..	115,963,539	136,459,229	166,196,573	265,044,013	185,993,937

Trade with
United
Kingdom.

Imports from and exports to the United Kingdom during 1951-52 represented 44 per cent. and 30 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, 1948-1952.

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES INTERCHANGED WITH THE UNITED KINGDOM, 1947-48 TO 1951-52.
(Australian Currency Values.)

Articles.	Year ended 30th June—				
	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.
	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
<i>Imports—Articles of United Kingdom origin imported into Victorian ports.</i>					
Whisky ..	82,819	89,962	112,763	136,229	202,293
Cigarettes ..	484,569	1,044,235	1,376,687	1,357,519	1,823,107
Apparel ..	2,557,474	4,342,484	3,895,407	4,651,540	6,749,030
<i>Piece Goods—</i>					
Canvas and Duck ..	239,714	265,182	277,250	345,939	597,223
Cotton and Linen ..	2,998,463	6,226,353	5,800,554	7,846,927	11,883,298
Silk and Artificial Silk ..	4,881,937	5,397,094	4,471,712	4,953,265	5,850,860
Woolen ..	645,101	2,229,636	2,520,068	1,889,722	1,481,381
Velvets ..	168,080	336,547	366,529	605,950	601,698
Other ..	689,071	1,219,400	966,450	1,640,327	2,350,477

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES INTERCHANGED WITH THE UNITED KINGDOM, 1947-48 TO 1951-52—continued.
(Australian Currency Values.)

Articles.	Year ended 30th June—				
	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.
	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
<i>Imports—Articles of United Kingdom origin imported into Victorian ports—continued.</i>					
Floor Coverings	1,983,629	3,126,957	3,800,829	5,103,817	5,753,509
Sewing and Embroidery Silks, &c.	352,489	689,419	621,839	904,348	1,140,349
Yarns, other	2,586,898	4,096,371	3,164,768	5,944,536	6,595,095
Dynamo Electrical Machinery, &c.	2,051,337	4,118,541	5,315,963	7,514,134	8,608,339
Machines and Machinery	7,609,953	13,593,318	12,557,899	17,875,062	24,521,841
Metals and Metal Manufactures—					
Iron and Steel	1,456,043	2,879,403	4,604,581	7,237,235	6,111,857
Pipes and Tubes	33,279	65,582	182,990	346,872	286,723
Platedware and Cutlery	616,223	485,529	501,527	672,817	902,574
Motor Cars (bodies, chassis, and parts)	4,325,350	9,885,849	20,551,108	20,076,696	22,105,714
Other Vehicles and parts, n.e.i.	1,504,744	2,179,649	2,720,233	3,743,819	5,443,997
Other Metals and Manufactures	2,604,122	3,503,199	5,009,824	7,099,145	8,766,052
Rubber and Rubber Goods	520,658	916,043	1,620,117	1,932,880	3,757,178
Crockery and Household Ware	782,232	1,022,113	1,191,851	1,079,705	1,582,903
Glass and Glassware	422,686	520,181	587,713	661,402	1,050,511
Paper	685,064	1,368,214	1,812,823	3,193,345	5,311,358
Books	798,271	784,566	941,842	1,029,025	1,431,658
Sporting Material, Fancy Goods, &c.	509,034	690,609	773,240	1,036,204	1,090,714
Drugs and Medicinal Preparations	324,514	381,182	504,136	944,636	1,048,914
Sodium Salts	126,091	187,862	144,035	219,849	358,989
Dyes	580,345	838,605	412,679	493,176	798,967
Arms, Ammunition, and Explosives	422,095	629,003	380,109	543,718	4,407,432
Houses, &c. (Prefabricated)		12,232	864,040	3,162,493	2,753,691
All other Articles	5,618,827	5,318,519	9,684,079	11,818,219	16,531,757
Total (excluding Outside Packages)	48,661,112	78,446,789	97,855,645	126,057,551	161,879,489
<i>Exports from Victorian ports to United Kingdom.</i>					
	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
Butter	8,380,997	8,098,650	9,263,845	5,833,938	1,036,752
Cheese	1,026,938	1,648,338	1,736,465	1,681,148	1,893,570
Eggs	1,464,682	1,291,683	1,121,649	937,923	623,573
Meats—					
Beef, Mutton and Lamb	2,632,898	1,965,097	4,481,000	959,801	553,063
Pork	46,626	201,849	141,941	93,241	23,093
Preserved in tins	988,020	1,686,825	2,687,600	2,823,706	5,442,262
Rabbits and Hares	1,222,370	2,169,581	2,055,829	1,659,455	2,318,398
Other	900,854	1,032,099	1,353,167	1,416,275	1,201,798
Milk and Cream	201,277	195,632	585,641	102,828	565,237
Honey	259,504	440,967	175,100	28,539	134,991
Fruits—all kinds	2,940,077	3,409,594	2,142,309	3,471,975	5,085,924
Wheat and Flour	4,959,380	5,633,593	1,679,841	5,779,360	5,511,420
Oats	1,387,186	1,822,113	8,343	334,855	475,832
Jams and Jellies	239,988	651,468	910,042	531,781	247,001
Wine, fermented	88,545	96,313	25,542	16,641	20,539
Hides and Skins	1,056,453	1,233,538	1,490,189	2,565,265	1,252,679
Flax	88,746				3,864
Wool	12,499,144	18,616,149	24,437,538	44,826,959	24,981,831
Tallow, unrefined	12,753	192,476	547,290	284,307	93,861
Lead (Pig)	245,620	49,999	194,916		
Zinc (Bars, Blocks, &c.)	56,980	3,611	7,425	18,250	
Implements and Machinery—Agricultural, &c.	35,529	55,119	41,838	8,302	9,183
Leather, &c.	375,768	306,594	321,868	484,256	319,621
Soap	391	19,853	21,944	7,477	2,280
Arms, Ammunition, and Explosives	1,040	27,492	25,604	95,368	106,570
Bullion and Specie	604,969	1,497	345,393	30,361	37,220
All other Articles	2,207,635	3,169,213	4,561,822	3,823,688	3,621,303
Total	43,924,370	54,019,343	60,363,601	77,815,699	55,561,835

The value of the principal articles interchanged with Canada during each of the years 1947-48 to 1951-52 is shown in the following table:—

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES INTERCHANGED WITH CANADA, 1947-48 TO 1951-52.

(Australian Currency Values.)

Articles.	Year ended 30th June—				
	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.
	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
<i>Imports—Articles of Canadian origin imported into Victorian ports.</i>					
Fish, preserved in tins	87,615	1,844	501	75	57
Yarns	65,365	30,038	..	..	54,278
Apparel	7,366	68	5	..	8
Piece Goods—					
Silk	306,803	41,322	67,877	15,445	2,390
Other	402,290	22,500	63,640	292,152	158,689
Asbestos, Crude	35,150	37,841	93,501	138,550	141,115
Machines and Machinery—					
Electrical Machinery and appliances	111,913	175,433	260,431	395,958	510,565
Other	204,488	222,327	206,059	233,804	266,210
Metals and Metal Manufactures—					
Iron and Steel	63,575	63,298	140,456	167,083	394,475
Nickel	5,052	2,297	1,803	2,014	10,136
Vehicles—					
Motor Car Chassis and Parts	1,473,616	1,315,937	1,525,429	2,256,944	2,087,598
Other	83,135	62,946	66,360	103,764	108,416
Other Metals, &c.	140,877	180,483	206,806	198,866	493,831
Timber	384,125	339,480	292,182	482,467	1,122,512
Paper—					
Pulp	112,639	..	..	49,592	357,028
Newsprint	1,004,618	423,241	457,333	40,554	184,419
Other	339,290	1,123	550	3,886	130,581
Drugs and Chemicals	66,503	34,783	56,062	52,897	55,577
All other Articles	352,581	194,365	101,711	253,399	456,877
Total (excluding Outside Packages)	5,247,001	3,348,326	3,540,706	4,687,540	6,534,757
<i>Exports from Victorian ports to Canada.</i>					
	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
Butter .. .. .	..	374,696	1,122	..	..
Sausage Casings	58,644	66,267	162,513	151,210	154,098
Fruits—					
Dried	71,278	1,074,815	1,015,526	1,192,309	1,235,796
Preserved in Liquid .. .. .	..	156,148	150,795	97,862	134,210
Spirituous and Alcoholic Liquors	8,767	9,650	9,255	14,506	18,484
Hides and Skins—					
Rabbit and Hare	22,884	48,110	3,946	11,415	7,287
Other	930	2,735	14,791	67,406	49,071
Wool	1,241,027	1,370,082	1,719,495	3,653,868	1,520,792
Vegetable Substances and Fibres	2,604	545	1,041	1,801	3,266
Tallow, unrefined	30,936	23,529	..	..	..
All other Articles	231,733	159,879	131,627	664,065	727,014
Total	1,668,803	3,286,456	3,210,111	5,854,442	3,850,018

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 1947-48 to 1951-52 were as follows:—

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES INTERCHANGED WITH FRANCE, 1947-48 TO 1951-52.

(Australian Currency Values.)

Articles.	Year ended 30th June—				
	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.
<i>Imports—Articles of French origin imported into Victorian ports.</i>	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
Textiles—					
Piece Goods	334,386	358,816	381,131	709,593	1,118,892
Floor Coverings	75,334	269	350	7,683	15,938
Apparel—					
Trimmings and Ornaments	344,963	289,817	458,396	668,524	855,777
Other	5,558	39,637	93,955	157,211	163,979
Yarns	26,271	182,447	54,168	158,026	144,990
Metals and Metal Manufactures	46,348	83,629	1,141,400	1,998,048	2,427,387
Machines and Machinery	11,740	36,695	104,449	230,823	471,863
Pulp, Paper, and Board	70,332	65,164	90,244	78,941	164,229
Drugs and Chemicals	56,125	87,324	147,056	264,040	282,905
Stationery and Books	33,064	9,235	3,483	3,751	5,109
Wine and Spirits	57,936	65,879	37,109	68,503	113,096
All other Articles	144,662	255,347	963,934	877,807	1,094,685
Total (excluding Outside Packages)	1,206,719	1,474,259	3,475,675	5,222,950	6,858,850
<i>Exports—From Victorian Ports to France.</i>	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
Butter		4,480	6,246	..	1,742
Wheat	308,982	..	..	..	..
Oats .. .. .	..	351,588	..	..	..
Maize	107,335	..	..	..	..
Flour (wheaten)	154,800	..	..	..	..
Hides and Skins	1,989,931	1,399,174	1,803,607	5,228,439	3,742,608
Wool	4,658,803	8,134,248	7,919,835	20,899,830	12,303,132
Rocks, Minerals, &c.	51,915	..	..	..	..
Non-Ferrous Alloys .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..
Eucalyptus Oil	25,441	3,688	15,864	23,333	12,527
All other Articles	7,146	11,730	30,398	29,783	59,695
Total	7,304,353	9,904,908	9,775,950	26,181,385	16,119,704

The following table shows the values of the principal articles interchanged between Victoria and Italy during each of the years 1947-48 to 1951-52. During the war period, trade with Italy was suspended.

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES INTERCHANGED WITH ITALY 1947-48 TO 1951-52.

(Australian Currency Values.)

Articles.	Year ended 30th June—				
	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.
<i>Imports—Articles of Italian origin imported into Victorian Ports.</i>	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
Yarns	274,121	383,940	190,547	286,490	696,895
Textiles—					
Piece Goods	380,046	761,817	1,443,859	2,911,209	4,899,105
Other	89,236	15,062	67,786	132,642	121,390
Apparel	58,150	70,573	306,345	591,388	660,387
Sulphur (including Brimstone) .. .. .	.. .. .	228	718,155	1,547,931	3
Nuts (edible)	24,797	35,716	79,631	84,139	56,154
Motor Vehicles—Bodies, Chassis, &c.	15,337	43,071	292,498	196,778	276,543
Machines and Machinery	19,422	90,941	184,032	321,636	730,230
Jewellery and Timepieces	12,231	13,792	23,650	27,752	19,465
Musical Instruments	12,470	24,199	46,042	61,222	65,117
All other Articles	99,201	201,385	314,952	862,993	3,400,492
Total (excluding Outside Packages)	985,011	1,640,724	3,667,497	7,024,180	10,925,781
<i>Exports—From Victorian Ports to Italy.</i>	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
Meats	69,662	61,978	93,048	11,196	7,781
Wheat .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	3,356,352	404,613
Barley (Pearl and Scotch)	407,889	37,099	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .
Barley (unprepared) .. .. .	.. .. .	414,940	12,046	.. .. .	.. .. .
Flour	139,814	.. .. .	169,593	8,217	337,054
Prepared Breakfast Foods—Oatmeal, &c.	528,480	1,439,905	1,050	58,489	77,961
Hides and Skins	37,277	168,048	131,544	141,356	214,927
Wool	1,991,442	6,281,070	4,418,668	11,245,473	9,156,557
Nickel .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	1,520	.. .. .
All other Articles	110,819	75,105	94,953	166,482	164,292
Total	3,285,383	8,478,145	4,920,902	14,989,085	10,363,185

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 1947-48 to 1951-52 is shown in the following table:—

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES INTERCHANGED WITH BELGIUM, 1947-48 TO 1951-52.

(Australian Currency Values.)

Articles.	Year ended 30th June—				
	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.
<i>Imports—Articles of Belgian origin imported into Victorian Ports.</i>	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
Textiles—					
Piece Goods	899,895	414,073	32,193	538,889	1,049,779
Other	269,630	27,608	22	71,232	135,645
Yarns	649	197,732	96,101	363,713	448,776
Iron and Steel	2,803	8,764	473,205	1,089,533	2,448,358
Copper and Copper Manufacture (except Wire) .. .. .	..	..	..	654,634	..
Wire .. .. .	..	..	354,202	519,251	1,027,733
Glass and Glassware	259,158	163,160	203,015	246,082	476,634
Pulp, Paper, and Board	37,094	119	305	57,697	120,200
Stationery and Books	3,128	1,180	1,853	2,908	5,725
Jewellery and Timepieces	45,465	7,429	17,804	89,568	51,794
All other Articles	203,788	163,069	106,412	396,849	1,434,230
Total (excluding Outside Packages)	1,721,610	983,134	1,287,112	4,030,356	7,198,874
<i>Exports—From Victorian Ports to Belgium.</i>	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
Milk and Cream	57,395	26,413	18,819	22,397	..
Barley .. .. .	..	..	36,890	106,200	..
Hides and Skins	214,174	418,827	368,827	454,920	256,947
Wool	2,214,094	1,511,405	2,065,596	4,877,170	3,960,024
Oatmeal, Wheatmeal, and Rolled Oats	115,748	22,071	..	..	..
Meats	62,804	80,581	44,914	239	16,234
Metals, &c.—					
Lead	41,055	57,487	625	37	..
Other	35,348	8,613	17,053	5,470	2,873
All other Articles	81,796	49,537	162,015	464,490	119,580
Total	2,822,414	2,174,934	2,712,739	5,930,923	4,355,658

Trade with
India and
Ceylon.

The values of the principal articles interchanged between Victoria and India and Ceylon for each of the years 1947-48 to 1951-52 are shown in the following table:—

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES INTERCHANGED WITH INDIA AND CEYLON, 1947-48 TO 1951-52.

(Australian Currency Values.)

Articles.	Year ended 30th June—				
	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.
<i>Imports—Articles of Indian and Ceylonese origin imported into Victorian ports.</i>	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
Cocoa Beans	10,346	6,507	9,042	15,701	3,337
Nuts (edible)	342,607	240,879	296,559	347,337	109,512
Spices	10,913	25,038	67,909	59,251	63,868
Tea	3,879,471	2,744,395	4,304,162	5,001,059	3,456,062
Hides and Skins	62,451	55,502	1,064	24,263	2,052
Fibres	1,122,333	1,255,954	531,135	729,085	841,301
Gums and Resins	54,523	53,334	45,209	92,767	78,503
Seeds—					
Linseed	152,972	177,597	174,846	221,617	..
Other	1,425	..	11,933	41,791	5,408
Apparel	11,756	5,265	7,152	6,560	12,662
Textiles—					
Piece Goods—					
Canvas and Duck	78,670	73,716	75,613	198,738	136,680
Cotton and Linen	621,277	791,150	1,162,325	1,682,084	1,168,850
Hessians	416,395	428,202	469,698	825,694	1,064,468
Other	10,406	18,158	25,914	25,938	27,065
Floor Coverings	73,060	64,919	79,843	129,574	142,129
Other Textiles	97,930	55,047	45,672	42,845	38,519
Bags and Sacks	3,389,582	2,532,434	3,233,790	3,037,836	6,346,050
Cordage and Twine .. .. .	..	..	1,933	2,503	10,108
Yarns	26,692	26,892	16,070	189,282	55,250
Oil—					
Linseed	318,936	129,982	184,952	63,268	529,075
Castor	239,810	40,627	..	298,435	362,204
Waxes	171,777	101,452	56,831	13,602	20,899
Rubber, &c.	97,285	63,328	30,208	419,724	81,127
All other Articles	193,048	512,292	752,160	1,538,753	1,358,543
Total (excluding Outside Packages)	11,383,665	9,402,670	11,584,020	15,007,707	15,913,672
<i>Exports from Victorian ports to India and Ceylon.</i>	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
Butter	177,564	188,328	274,052	330,946	410,363
Cheese	45,344	147,089	102,537	95,734	143,565
Meats	135,498	45,075	39,841	68,432	117,313
Milk and Cream	693,581	718,324	534,230	595,134	990,018
Biscuits	2,252	81	29	125	..
Hay and Chaff	1,810	1,956	4,273	2,548	4,829
Fruits (all kinds)	39,649	83,110	52,123	62,725	109,089
Wheat	7,156,883	1,552,363	5,959,971	3,101,279	1,628,911
Flour	2,934,087	3,634,346	3,066,399	2,317,188	5,813,782
Other Grain and Pulse	293,795	895,383	138,985	58,304	74,140
Spirituous and Alcoholic Liquors—					
Ale and Beer	932	24	70	151	470
Other	3,318	11,727	2,457	7,713	2,251

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES INTERCHANGED WITH INDIA AND
CEYLON, 1947-48 TO 1951-52—*continued.*

(*Australian Currency Values.*)

Articles.	Year ended 30th June—				
	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.
	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
<i>Exports from Victorian ports to India and Ceylon—continued.</i>					
Jams and Jellies	42,714	9,845	15,236	26,252	40,852
Vegetables	127,412	16,189	10,155	11,007	45,743
Horses	13,189	6,741	3,847	10,701	7,055
Wool	869,112	1,154,095	193,783	1,357,344	903,900
Apparel—					
Underwear	4,460	912	..	..	..
Other	18,051	6,630	514	460	365
Yarns, Wool	37,158	36,657	..	2,118	1,025
Tallow, unrefined	148,406	104,275	82,762	133,109	107,051
Zinc (bars, blocks, &c.)	114,506	..	76,137	24,450	48,750
Soap	25	..	128	..	19,496
Arms, Ammunition, and Explosives .. .. .	..	5	78,229	82,380	97,149
All other Articles	819,292	579,607	347,716	284,064	423,235
Total	13,679,038	9,192,762	10,983,474	8,572,164	10,989,352

Trade with New Zealand. The values of the principal articles interchanged with New Zealand for each of the years 1947-48 to 1951-52 were as follows:—

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES INTERCHANGED WITH
NEW ZEALAND, 1947-48 TO 1951-52.

(*Australian Currency Values.*)

Articles.	Year ended 30th June—				
	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.
	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
<i>Imports—Articles of New Zealand origin imported into Victorian ports.</i>					
Fish	149,068	171,544	139,125	41,254	112,596
Milk and Cream .. .. .	..	20	5,546	4,541	8,365
Meats	16,974	22,386	15,477	12,266	40,013
Grain and Pulse	47,193	21,406	52,276	22,402	74,035
Animals (horses, cattle, sheep, and Dogs)	62,675	54,732	28,763	10,129	19,175
Hides and Skins	111,667	43,616	18,464	20,779	116,684
Wool	443,630	314,186	507,330	501,420	947,643
Marine Animal (incl. Fish) Oils	26,222	26,488	30,625	48,284	53,381
Crockery and Householdware	24,729	37,118	14,304	2,215	8,828
Seeds	96,101	112,951	188,044	138,220	272,074
Timber	76,100	226,384	156,400	63,463	574,875
Gold and Silver	66,946	155,834	1,219,415	155,356	777,971
All other Articles	229,490	246,935	193,619	185,189	397,717
Total (excluding Outside Packages)	1,350,795	1,433,600	2,569,388	1,205,518	3,403,357

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES INTERCHANGED WITH NEW ZEALAND,
1947-48 TO 1951-52—*continued.*
(*Australian Currency Values.*)

Articles.	Year ended 30th June—				
	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.
	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
<i>Exports from Victorian ports to New Zealand.</i>					
Eggs	72,101	254,656	173,722	10	36
Fruits, all kinds	445,280	659,110	710,368	655,112	1,327,985
Grain and Pulse—					
Wheat	13,306	219,305	1,487,352	912,929	3,689,576
Flour .. .. .	..	..	1,054	256,568	595
Rice and Rice Meal	22,975	17,026	36,121	20,473	67,527
Spirituous and Alcoholic Liquors	130,879	102,515	150,547	213,069	216,514
Wool	122,377	281,963	200,871	170,243	681,620
Apparel	106,102	23,953	23,104	17,988	32,091
Textiles	609,364	320,280	305,067	198,307	325,741
Yarns and Manufactured Fibres ..	436,010	289,854	264,127	370,085	507,399
Oils	14,724	8,673	17,701	19,043	39,895
Machines and Machinery	524,564	496,095	587,268	730,719	1,341,420
Metal Manufactures	528,873	545,474	608,720	577,816	1,462,243
Rubber Manufactures	148,611	37,329	20,094	18,336	56,998
Leather, &c.	57,343	42,248	59,947	67,377	69,745
Books	101,032	76,007	114,799	93,492	107,524
Photographic goods and materials	182,534	137,510	230,131	195,814	362,621
Drugs and Chemicals	232,426	171,429	248,823	239,240	444,059
Arms, Ammunition, and Explosives	80,814	119,804	171,965	104,841	196,896
All other Articles	635,861	684,687	821,629	884,554	1,643,579
Australian produce	4,326,335	4,334,863	6,065,675	5,675,655	12,372,995
Other produce	138,841	153,055	167,735	70,361	201,069
Total	4,465,176	4,487,918	6,233,410	5,746,016	12,574,064

Trade with
United States
of America.

The values of the principal articles interchanged between Victoria and the United States of America for each of the years 1947-48 to 1951-52 are shown in the following table :—

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES INTERCHANGED WITH
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, 1947-48 TO 1951-52.

(Australian Currency Values.)

Articles.	Year ended 30th June—				
	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.
	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
<i>Imports—Articles of United States origin imported into Victorian ports.</i>					
Sausage Casings	87,996	82,201	39,174	75,810	147,169
Tobacco, Cigars and Cigarettes ..	2,009,673	1,398,425	1,946,379	2,162,267	2,352,852
Cotton, raw	180,278	134,472	13	56	1,245,141
Gums, Resins, Balsams, and Rosin	106,261	77,240	76,616	107,487	212,395
Plastic Materials	522,233	250,564	319,815	396,069	442,926
Textiles—					
Piece Goods	5,991,295	1,002,788	570,557	263,977	385,582
Other	90,110	914	1,327	9,125	23,888
Manufactured Fibres and Yarns ..	1,131,094	358,675	45,825	161,909	234,114
Oils	2,528,701	2,211,533	1,491,336	1,415,837	5,713,274
Pigments, Paints and Varnishes ..	186,716	234,565	214,618	431,291	352,682
Asphalt, Bitumen, and Pitch .. .	13,930	1,868	769	1,085	670
Electrical Machines and Appliances	501,791	381,017	394,244	535,798	687,737
Metal Working Machinery	925,068	313,542	330,269	550,453	584,439
Motive Power Machinery—					
Aircraft Engines and Parts .. .	388,081	343,876	16,228	27,411	80,454
Other	1,426,179	1,962,218	3,149,363	4,092,390	5,276,306
Roller Bearings and Ball Bearings	467,937	280,661	422,525	412,510	860,612
Other Machines and Machinery ..	1,318,834	1,247,255	2,230,932	2,328,226	3,382,629
Metals and Metal Manufactures—					
Iron and Steel	2,109,640	1,515,861	1,953,258	3,274,721	3,634,550
Tools of Trade	133,634	47,633	71,347	71,662	92,962
Vehicles and Parts—					
Motor Bodies, Chassis, &c. ..	1,463,657	997,218	1,665,690	2,178,307	3,246,545
Aircraft	778,244	1,123,901	572,379	729,668	1,416,942
Other	243,156	243,225	351,588	640,012	673,983
Other Metals, &c.	398,406	324,982	466,230	263,459	397,730
Rubber, &c.	259,532	127,135	228,850	183,939	336,585
Timber	524,684	331,704	463,400	411,832	1,733,283
Glass and Glassware	97,468	12,947	20,003	27,535	48,952
Pulp for Papermaking	373,473	13,515	3,429	753	84,393
Paper and Board	737,448	130,457	148,927	203,882	406,737
Stationery, &c.	194,934	166,334	147,322	160,210	164,795
Jewellery, Timepieces, and Fancy Goods, &c.	14,384	7,564	5,868	15,081	6,662
Optical, Surgical, and Scientific Instruments	251,925	145,704	196,013	168,460	183,721
Sulphur (inc. Brimstone)	275,611	311,105	473,447	282,391	400,675
Drugs and Chemicals	619,425	367,433	292,329	445,229	1,019,019
Arms, Ammunition, and Explosives	9,735	26,102	3,862	5,353	406,971
Fire Brigade and Life Saving Appliances	1,167	552	3,630	6,130	5,962
Vessels (Ships)		20,772			
All other Articles	679,390	248,585	348,903	452,152	730,178
Total (excluding Outside Packages)	27,042,090	16,444,543	18,666,465	22,492,473	36,973,515

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES INTERCHANGED WITH THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, 1947-48 TO 1951-52—continued.

(Australian Currency Values.)

Articles.	Year ended 30th June—				
	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.
<i>Exports from Victorian ports to the United States.</i>	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A
Sausage Casings	102,335	104,464	335,512	428,330	530,397
Rabbits and Hares (frozen)	26,044	92,289	129,785	91,220	186,163
Hides and Skins	1,758,192	1,137,615	1,784,411	2,202,543	1,001,803
Wool	8,041,527	5,298,859	11,654,821	36,356,608	16,477,190
Seeds—Agricultural and Vegetable	94,676	105,809	134,722	94,597	98,881
Vegetable Fibres—Rag, Clippings, &c.	39,225	11,752	26,128	49,915	34,289
Machines and Machinery	28,258	20,460	19,043	19,066	8,743
Lead (Pig) .. .. .	.. .. .	28,068	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .
Iron and Steel—scrap	2,275	74,863	31,845	82,826	77,188
Leather, &c.	2,958	9,002	4,981	9,840	2,841
Eucalyptus Oil	57,559	28,925	22,111	62,245	41,387
All other Articles	497,241	814,095	421,139	1,576,504	2,114,960
Total	10,650,290	7,746,201	14,564,498	40,973,694	20,573,842

Principal Exports—Quantities and Values.

Particulars relating to quantities and values of the principal commodities exported from Victorian ports to overseas countries are given in the following table:—

PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES EXPORTED OVERSEAS FROM VICTORIAN PORTS DURING EACH OF THE YEARS 1948-49 TO 1951-52.

(Australian Currency Values.)

Commodity.	1948-49.	1949-50.	1950-51.	1951-52.
Wool—				
Greasy .. .. .	.. { lb. 229,736,479	228,963,233	219,644,651	227,444,674
	.. { £ 49,294,258	65,602,743	143,722,594	73,952,216
Scoured and Washed .. .. .	.. { lb. 41,428,700	40,345,176	32,164,369	30,775,013
	.. { £ 8,882,898	11,995,200	21,340,856	14,018,548
Tops, Noils, and Waste .. .. .	.. { lb. 8,542,137	6,948,949	5,711,007	6,858,972
	.. { £ 2,144,909	1,547,306	2,733,179	2,204,225
Butter .. .. .	.. { lb. 74,548,505	79,880,052	50,389,605	17,768,047
	.. { £ 9,848,294	11,224,357	7,803,626	3,165,679
Wheat .. .. .	.. { tons 259,690	451,614	716,076	425,436
	.. { £ 6,943,781	13,278,364	22,506,610	13,589,998
Flour (wheaten) .. .. .	.. { centals 5,457,734	5,825,387	4,664,413	9,327,822
	.. { £ 10,802,761	9,535,345	8,675,409	13,214,469

PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES EXPORTED OVERSEAS FROM VICTORIAN PORTS
DURING EACH OF THE YEARS 1948-49 TO 1951-52—*continued.*

(*Australian Currency Values.*)

Commodity.		1948-49.	1949-50.	1950-51.	1951-52.
Fruits—					
Dried	{ lb.	89,417,178	68,574,973	60,682,647	68,655,998
	{ £	2,404,127	1,969,259	2,635,040	3,787,827
Fresh—					
Oranges	{ bushel	186,383	204,817	193,616	171,394
	{ £	170,634	227,239	275,284	323,637
Apples	{ bushel	177,629	47,590	135,370	81,360
	{ £	184,493	55,469	154,865	141,885
Pears	{ bushel	467,045	388,413	616,863	589,386
	{ £	469,315	460,875	940,590	1,170,256
All Other	{ £	50,840	36,328	19,435	16,014
Preserved in Liquid	{ lb.	81,817,460	59,576,810	56,139,987	73,195,505
	{ £	2,761,821	2,066,766	2,577,353	4,030,093
Meats—					
Beef (frozen)	{ lb.	2,426,953	1,493,865	1,593,226	2,694,211
	{ £	122,896	59,173	99,247	248,881
Lamb (frozen)	{ lb.	45,879,001	82,685,038	30,296,923	19,066,771
	{ £	1,867,851	3,787,556	1,574,490	1,205,040
Mutton (frozen)	{ lb.	12,620,225	47,773,953	3,573,678	4,321,712
	{ £	278,064	1,121,897	125,877	211,374
Pork (frozen)	{ lb.	3,212,503	2,066,625	1,450,273	606,397
	{ £	212,424	168,471	141,804	87,016
Poultry (frozen)	{ £	644,470	753,052	1,111,893	904,864
Rabbits and Hares (frozen)	{ pairs	14,993,415	12,517,165	6,572,064	8,920,434
	{ £	2,390,701	2,259,068	1,752,639	2,346,806
Preserved in tins	{ lb.	46,460,459	46,249,014	39,766,893	54,986,399
	{ £	2,545,970	3,336,400	3,643,134	6,426,183
Sausage Casings	{ cwt.	8,776	17,558	10,303	9,366
	{ £	386,030	880,314	875,991	1,015,397
All other	{ £	421,321	625,989	453,991	748,126
Milk and Cream	{ £	3,271,799	4,052,643	3,989,472	5,488,704
Hides and Skins—					
Sheep (with wool)	{ lb.	30,768,333	39,655,520	26,437,776	28,703,783
	{ £	3,230,725	4,431,736	8,625,098	5,712,182
Calf, Cattle, Horse	{ No.	73,479	81,169	48,088	46,556
	{ £	219,167	266,893	285,206	248,654
Rabbit and Hare	{ lb.	4,110,507	3,989,228	5,979,834	2,834,858
	{ £	1,142,571	598,594	1,152,272	484,596
Other Skins	{ £	70,066	648,640	931,523	47,446
Tallow (unrefined)	{ cwt.	56,573	176,293	118,343	57,263
	{ £	340,858	725,447	601,330	327,214
Eggs in shell	{ dozen	5,128,724	7,390,064	4,125,684	2,389,320
	{ £	601,628	975,933	584,185	402,008
Eggs not in shell	{ £	978,966	459,474	390,109	264,370
Cheese	{ lb.	29,536,079	30,753,678	29,156,561	28,787,386
	{ £	2,169,093	2,492,614	2,640,112	2,994,755

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 1947-48 to 1951-52 are given in the following table :—

VICTORIA—VALUE OF STORES SHIPPED ON OVERSEA
VESSELS, 1947-48 TO 1951-52.

(Australian Currency Values.)

Item.	Year ended 30th June—				
	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.
	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
Ale, Beer, and Porter	20,271	28,843	27,511	20,114	32,422
Butter	28,159	53,752	50,660	102,941	73,845
Cheese	4,401	6,108	12,670	12,254	11,535
Coal (Bunker)	10,717	2,147	102	298	2,049
Coffee, Cocoa, and Chocolate	5,695	8,000	16,752	22,707	14,914
Cordage and Twines	2,739	2,799	4,765	8,165	30,747
Eggs	17,194	29,358	45,869	63,351	54,089
Fish	47,236	48,983	47,759	43,159	56,008
Fruits (all kinds)	19,778	22,005	46,238	64,366	56,786
Fruit and Vegetables (in liquid)	3,549	8,685	15,636	26,420	33,918
Vegetables	20,757	34,979	39,690	47,496	61,055
Flour (wheaten)	14,916	56,756	35,362	25,767	40,180
Rice	15,869	20,627	28,682	44,083	58,936
Jams and Jellies	2,064	4,293	5,579	6,763	5,706
Meats	143,501	208,835	284,021	457,297	660,466
Milk and Cream (preserved)	14,030	48,009	34,228	55,285	58,456
Oils for use as fuel in vessels	452,992	463,264	274,623	379,151	345,370
Oils for use as fuel in aircraft	8,694	1,203	2,896	1,122	15,177
Oils, other	29,847	42,085	42,009	30,696	35,831
Paints and Colours	11,611	11,260	11,983	10,147	21,110
Potatoes	10,061	11,859	20,509	26,326	22,651
Spirits	6,044	5,726	6,776	7,872	9,592
Sugar	7,457	10,636	19,752	20,051	14,098
Tea	9,183	6,861	7,398	8,390	11,732
Tobacco, Cigars and Cigarettes	12,363	11,306	15,044	22,357	23,326
All other Articles	182,302	153,803	272,673	197,758	279,791
Australian Produce	787,957	1,145,721	1,251,331	1,647,547	1,935,360
Other Produce	313,473	155,961	117,916	56,889	94,430
Total	1,101,430	1,301,682	1,369,247	1,704,436	2,029,790

Customs
and Excise
Revenue.

The oversea trade and the gross revenue collected at Victorian ports, during the year 1951-52, are shown in the following statement:—

OVERSEA TRADE AND GROSS REVENUE COLLECTED AT
VICTORIAN PORTS, 1951-52.

(Australian Currency Values.)

	Melbourne.	Geelong.	Portland.	Essendon Airport.	Parcels Post.	Total.
	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
Overseas Trade—						
Imports	352,053,064	7,928,915	645,035	403,786	2,162,479	363,193,279
Exports	165,740,816	18,314,787	1,596,041	138,895	203,398	185,993,937
Total	517,793,880	26,243,702	2,241,076	542,681	2,365,877	549,187,216
Gross Revenue—						
Customs Duties	34,557,844	718,631	368,450	18,559	159,451	35,822,935
Excise Duties	29,883,786	128,351	..	..	..	30,012,087
Primage	3,295,690	61,940	53,637	1,544	19,993	3,432,804
Other Sources	353,033	711	37	..	..	353,781
Total	68,090,303	909,633	422,124	20,103	179,444	69,621,607*

* After deducting £2,032,096 for refunds and drawbacks, &c., the net revenue was £67,589,511.

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 quantity 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 321).

The number of vessels entered and cleared, and their total tonnage in each of the five years 1948-1952, were as follows:—

**VICTORIA—OVERSEA AND INTERSTATE SHIPPING,
1948-1952.**

Heading.	Year ended 30th June—				
	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.
Vessels Entered—					
Number	1,846	2,068	2,315	2,287	2,316
Net tonnage ..	5,679,722	7,054,653	8,305,761	8,528,946	8,748,426
Average net tonnage	3,076	3,411	3,588	3,729	3,881
Vessels Cleared—					
Number	1,825	2,079	2,314	2,316	2,328
Net tonnage ..	5,608,437	7,091,571	8,301,760	8,599,072	8,840,096
Average net tonnage	3,073	3,411	3,588	3,713	3,797

Shipping with various countries.

The principal countries having shipping communication 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, 1951-52.

Countries.	Vessels Entered. Steamers and Sailing Vessels.*		Vessels Cleared. Steamers and Sailing Vessels.*	
	Number.	Net Tonnage.	Number.	Net Tonnage.
Other Australian States	1,322	3,611,422	1,548	4,728,147
United Kingdom	255	1,780,952	185	1,450,304
New Zealand	49	158,540	66	265,220
India	51	190,898	51	195,607
Straits Settlements.. .. .	60	294,689	37	167,071
Other British	140	630,127	179	783,606
Total British Countries	1,877	6,666,628	2,066	7,589,955
Japan	53	192,991	30	110,950
United States of Indonesia	53	288,568	37	190,134
United States of America	127	620,856	54	260,760
Other Foreign	262	1,245,668	172	845,730
Total Foreign Countries	495	2,348,083	293	1,407,574
Grand Total	2,372	9,014,711	2,359	8,997,529

* Includes oil-burning vessels.

Nationality of vessels. The nationality of vessels which entered or were cleared at Victorian ports for the year 1951-52 was as follows:—

VICTORIA—NATIONALITY OF SHIPPING, 1951-52.

Nationality.	Vessels Entered.		Vessels Cleared.	
	Number.	Net Tonnage.	Number.	Net Tonnage.
British—				
Australian	950	1,574,055	952	1,598,348
United Kingdom	797	4,791,686	806	4,851,262
Canadian	3	12,934	3	12,934
Hong Kong	19	65,216	18	60,845
New Zealand	43	64,881	43	72,705
Other British	15	43,559	14	34,903
Total British	1,827	6,552,331	1,836	6,630,997
South African				
Foreign—				
Chinese	15	48,102	14	42,476
Danish	28	82,370	30	90,568
French	5	18,185	5	18,185
Dutch	47	222,986	46	220,525
Italian	74	453,508	71	447,602
Norwegian	140	566,042	142	572,826
Swedish	55	186,786	59	206,013
United States of America	50	252,927	48	242,304
Panamanian	45	249,603	44	247,153
Other Foreign	30	115,586	33	121,447
Total Foreign	489	2,196,095	492	2,209,099
Grand Total	2,316	8,748,426	2,328	8,840,096

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, 1952.

VICTORIA—VESSELS ENTERED AT EACH PORT, 1951-52.

Route.	Melbourne.		Geelong.		Portland.	
	Number.	Net Tonnage.	Number.	Net Tonnage.	Number.	Net Tonnage.
Oversea— Steam* and Sailing ..	417	1,878,315	29	119,026	..	..
Interstate—† Steam* and Sailing ..	1,772	6,984,135	85	303,037	13	63,913
Oversea, <i>via</i> Ports— Steam* and Sailing ..	24	115,765	23	98,683	10	58,053
Interstate <i>via</i> Ports— Steam* and Sailing	18	80,188	7	21,733	..	..
Local (within the State)— Steam* and Sailing ..	34	12,818	41	20,239	..	..
Total— Steam* and Sailing ..	2,265	8,471,221	185	562,718	23	121,966

NOTE.—“ Ports ” means Victorian ports.

* Includes oil-burning vessels.

† Including “ Oversea *via* States ”.Cargo
discharged
and shipped.

Statistics relating to the tonnage of cargo discharged and shipped in Victoria during the year ended 30th June, 1952, 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 1951-52.

Port.	Discharged.				Shipped.			
	Interstate (Tons).		Oversea (Tons).		Interstate (Tons).		Oversea (Tons).	
	Weight.	Measure.	Weight.	Measure.	Weight.	Measure.	Weight.	Measure.
Melbourne ..	1,932,428	243,002	2,732,151	1,702,091	443,438	297,440	597,347	367,307
Geelong ..	192,871	..	318,756	22,411	736	..	437,633	208.
Portland ..	2,955	..	42,045	..	..	..	5,148	3,884.
Total ..	2,128,254	243,002	3,092,252	1,724,502	444,174	297,440	1,040,128	371,899

VICTORIA—TONNAGE OF OVERSEA CARGO DISCHARGED AND SHIPPED DURING THE YEAR 1951-52 ACCORDING TO THE NATIONALITY OF VESSELS.

Nationality of Vessels.	Discharged.		Shipped.	
	Tons Weight.	Tons Measurement.	Tons Weight.	Tons Measurement.
British—				
Australian	1,516,462	215,740	385,978	263,383
United Kingdom	2,311,553	1,007,655	679,383	291,898
Canadian	4,013	542		
Hong Kong	18,834	14,802	5,338	3,453
New Zealand	8,934	40,644	5,648	59,326
Other British	44,139	8,028	18,372	3,295
Total (British) ..	3,908,935	1,287,411	1,094,719	621,355
Foreign—				
Chinese	72,799	2,534	18,996	..
Danish	53,696	17,483	38,762	7,235
French	10,065	13,556	8,145	2,730
Dutch	80,697	51,616	50,784	7,042
Italian	93,718	59,942	8,622	4,061
Norwegian	503,388	260,150	103,338	4,531
Swedish	85,945	131,064	77,052	5,543
United States of America	110,646	73,870	27,853	16,639
Panamanian	267,156	9,220	30,793	..
Other Foreign	39,161	60,658	25,238	203
Total (Foreign) ..	1,317,271	680,093	389,583	47,984
Grand Total ..	5,221,206	1,967,504	1,484,302	669,339

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, 1952. The area of these wharfs, &c., is 58 acres, and there are 30½ 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 1952, vessels to the number of 2,431 (1,324 steamers, 954 motor vessels, and 153 sailing vessels) with registered gross tonnage aggregating 15,173,357 berthed within the Port. Total imports in 1952 amounted to 6,353,825 tons, of which 2,406,036 tons were interstate and coastal cargo. Exports totalled 1,899,088 tons, including interstate and coastal tonnage, amounting to 682,372. Coal formed a great part of the interstate imports. Excluding 47,807 tons transhipped to vessels and 11,174 tons kept on board and landed at Geelong, or other ports, or used for bunkers, the quantity imported during 1952 amounted to 1,372,836 tons.

Port of Geelong. The Port of Geelong is controlled by the Geelong Harbor Trust. The number of berthings of vessels visiting the port during 1952 was 299 and represented 1,265,714 gross tonnage. Imports and exports for that period aggregated 575,278 and 342,715 tons respectively.

COMMUNICATION.

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 1947-48 to 1951-52 are given hereunder.

VICTORIA—NUMBER OF POST OFFICES AND MAILS, 1947-48 TO 1951-52.

Year ended 30th June—	Number of Post Offices.*	Number of Mails—	
		Despatched.	Received.
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
1952	2,414	2,443,595	2,322,546

* Excluding "Telephone" offices at which telegraph and telephone business only is transacted, viz., 1947-48, 226; 1948-49, 220; 1949-50, 225; 1950-51, 223, and 1951-52, 209.

Postal Returns—
Victoria.

Particulars relating to the number of letters, packets, and newspapers dealt with during 1950-51 and 1951-52 are given hereunder.

VICTORIA—LETTERS, PACKETS, AND NEWSPAPERS
DEALT WITH, 1950-51 AND 1951-52.

Particulars.	Year ended 30th June, 1951.			Year ended 30th June, 1952.		
	Letters, Post-cards, Letter-cards.	Newspapers and Packets.	Total.	Letters, Post-cards, Letter-cards.	Newspapers and Packets.	Total.
<i>Posted for delivery—</i>	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Within the Commonwealth ..	340,368,800	58,469,600	398,838,400	330,409,300	56,708,800	387,118,100
Beyond the Commonwealth—						
Despatched	9,263,700	2,703,400	11,967,100	6,708,800	3,288,800	9,997,600
Received ..	9,921,200	5,886,000	15,807,200	9,030,800	6,488,500	15,519,300
Total ..	359,553,700	67,059,000	426,612,700	346,148,900	66,486,100	412,635,000

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

VICTORIA—REGISTERED ARTICLES AND PARCELS POST,
1947-48 TO 1951-52.

Year ended 30th June—	Registered Articles (other than Parcels).				Parcels Post.*			
	Posted for Delivery—		Total Posted in Commonwealth.	Received from Beyond the Commonwealth.	Posted for Delivery—		Total Posted in Commonwealth.	Received from Beyond the Commonwealth.
	Within the Commonwealth.	Beyond the Commonwealth.			Within the Commonwealth.	Beyond the Commonwealth.		
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	
1948 ..	4,932,400	103,200	5,035,600	137,400	4,560,700	1,407,900	5,968,600	
1949 ..	5,189,000	117,600	5,306,600	152,900	4,328,300	980,500	5,308,800	
1950 ..	4,689,300	92,300	4,781,600	163,600	4,429,400	697,500	5,126,900	
1951 ..	4,770,300	118,000	4,888,300	159,600	4,947,100	423,300	5,370,400	
1952 ..	4,424,000	114,100	4,538,100	175,600	3,692,200	315,300	4,007,500	

* Including Registered Value payable and Duty Parcels.

During 1951-52 there were 334,763 letters, &c., and 113,812 packets, &c., returned direct to writers or delivered; 37,982 letters, &c., and 113,952 packets, &c., were destroyed in accordance with the Post and Telegraph Act; and 42,227 letters, &c., and 5,613 packets, &c., were returned, as unclaimed, to other countries. Money and valuables to the amount of £127,780 were found in postal articles sent to the Dead Letter Office as undeliverable. Of 77,519 postal articles posted without address, 414 contained money and valuables amounting to £6,712.

The following table shows the total number and value of money orders and postal notes issued and paid in each of the five years 1947-48 to 1951-52:—

VICTORIA—MONEY ORDERS AND POSTAL NOTES, 1947-48 TO 1951-52.

Heading.	Year ended 30th June—				
	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.
Number of Money Order Offices open	860	879	902	911	923
Money Orders Issued—					
Intra-state .. {					
Number ..	694,424	746,451	847,669	992,004	1,030,473
Amount £	5,877,456	6,408,132	7,301,011	8,959,389	10,195,248
Interstate .. {					
Number ..	114,606	132,144	142,917	158,414	167,010
Amount £	823,888	907,097	1,023,558	1,312,761	1,458,388
Beyond the Com- monwealth .. {					
Number ..	20,730	25,495	34,856	46,926	56,857
Amount £	65,374	90,487	139,747	198,960	254,423
Total .. {					
Number ..	829,760	904,090	1,025,442	1,197,344	1,254,340
Amount £	6,766,718	7,405,716	8,464,316	10,471,110	11,908,059
Money Orders Paid—					
Intra-state .. {					
Number ..	693,308	745,460	847,668	988,312	1,004,168
Amount £	5,877,442	6,342,074	7,301,293	8,878,080	10,191,699
Interstate .. {					
Number ..	219,814	221,892	228,521	228,082	218,489
Amount £	1,364,922	1,519,167	1,540,097	1,675,151	1,756,764
Beyond the Com- monwealth .. {					
Number ..	40,636	38,879	35,551	31,545	33,139
Amount £	162,225	159,806	153,576	141,239	150,062
Total .. {					
Number ..	953,758	1,006,231	1,111,740	1,247,939	1,255,796
Amount £	7,404,589	8,021,047	8,994,966	10,694,470	12,098,525
Postal Notes—					
Issued .. {					
Number ..	9,939,752	10,671,781	11,574,282	11,858,913	11,085,276
Amount £	3,526,456	3,826,066	4,217,222	4,551,996	4,322,969
Paid—Issued with- in the State .. {					
Number ..	4,723,365	4,980,932	5,402,131	5,013,964	4,204,854
Amount £	1,949,009	2,108,863	2,337,048	2,373,403	2,100,904
Paid—Issued in other States .. {					
Number ..	848,232	830,835	882,388	849,067	759,735
Amount £	376,755	368,177	392,678	391,158	352,865

Of the money orders issued in 1951-52, 1,197,483 for £11,653,636 were payable in the Commonwealth of Australia, 2,715 for £8,838 in New Zealand, 39,292 for £167,434 in the United Kingdom, and 14,850 for £78,151 in other countries. The orders paid included 1,222,657 for £11,948,463 issued in the Commonwealth, 9,185 for £21,969 in New Zealand, 19,113 for £97,454 in the United Kingdom, and 4,841 for £30,639 in other countries.

Telegraphs and Telegrams. The following table gives particulars relating to the telegraph business during each of the five years 1947-48 to 1951-52 :—

VICTORIA—TELEGRAPH BUSINESS, 1947-48 TO 1951-52.

Heading.	Year ended 30th June—				
	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Number of Telegraph Offices (including Railway Telegraph Offices)	2,429	2,420	2,443	2,425*	2,411*
Telegrams—					
Within the Commonwealth—					
Paid and Collect Telegrams					
Despatched—					
Ordinary, Urgent, and Press	7,662,566	7,767,352	7,535,803	7,419,396	5,552,147
Lettergrams	21,887	19,992	19,998	17,361	18,537
Radiograms	2,356	3,278	4,775	4,161	4,827
Unpaid Telegrams Transmitted—					
Service and Meteorological	449,406	442,464	469,033	433,473	431,119
Total	8,136,215	8,233,086	8,029,609	7,874,391	6,006,630
Beyond the Commonwealth—					
Despatched	330,937	371,901	424,978	482,224	444,894
Received	368,912	400,298	449,812	466,491	482,405
Total Number of Telegrams dealt with	8,836,064	9,005,285	8,904,399	8,823,106	6,933,929
	£	£	£	£	£
Revenue—					
Telegrams within the Commonwealth	530,390	535,707	715,892	851,045	918,281
Telegrams beyond the Commonwealth	68,749	67,433	72,745	117,290	525,091
Total Revenue received in State	599,139	603,140	788,637	968,335	1,443,372

* Excluding Railway Telegraph Offices.

Telephones. Information relating to the telephone service is given below for the years 1947-48 to 1951-52.

VICTORIA—TELEPHONES, 1947-48 TO 1951-52.

Heading.	Year ended 30th June—				
	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Telephone Exchanges ..	1,679	1,688	1,714	1,728	1,729
Public Telephones ..	3,143	3,357	3,607	3,900	4,335
Lines connected ..	214,997	228,586	244,858	269,826	291,902
Instruments connected	305,287	324,919	348,505	381,809	413,534
Instruments per 1,000 of Population ..	146·0	151·9	158·2	168·3	177·1
Effective Paid Local Calls—					
(a) Subscribers ..	231,015,791	242,779,510	241,313,273	252,938,000	267,214,826
(b) Public Telephones	21,397,350	22,941,082	23,222,440	25,099,000	28,299,976
Trunk Line Calls ..	17,558,059	18,293,641	19,450,398	20,262,000	20,108,257

Wireless Licences in force. Details of Broadcast Services and Amateur Stations licensed in Victoria at the end of each of the years 1947-48 to 1951-52 are shown hereunder. Consequent on the passing of the Australian Broadcasting Act in July, 1942, broadcast listeners' licences from 1942-43 to 31st December, 1951, inclusive were issued in two categories, viz.:—(a) licences for one receiver, (b) licences for receivers in excess of one. In 1951 the Broadcasting Act was amended and a single licence now covers any number of receivers operated by the holder or a member of his family if the sets are ordinarily kept at the address specified in the licence. The requirement that a separate half-fee licence be held for each receiver in excess of one was repealed.

VICTORIA—NUMBER OF WIRELESS LICENCES IN FORCE
1947-48 TO 1951-52.

Class of Licence.	At 30th June—				
	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.
Broadcasting*	19	19	19	19	19
Broadcast Listeners—					
One receiver	469,437	487,796	505,078	522,502	520,364
More than one receiver ..	35,669	43,926	52,478	63,891	†
Amateur	796	865	910	931	951

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

† See reading matter above.

Radio-communication Stations Authorized.

The number of stations authorized in Victoria, at the end (30th June) of each of the years 1948 to 1952 is shown in the following table. Prior to the year 1947-48, 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 1947-48 TO 1951-52.**

Type of Station.	At 30th June—				
	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.
Transmitting and Receiving—					
Aeronautical	4	5	9	9	4
Coast	1	3	4	5	5
Land	122	162	198	233	236
Mobile (General)	351	562	662	724	948
Miscellaneous	11	11	13	13	15
Receiving only—					
Land	202	199	202	197	208
Mobile (General)	132	185	149	138	141

**Post Office
revenue and
expenditure.**

Particulars concerning the revenue and expenditure of the Postmaster-General's Department in Victoria for each of the years 1947-48 to 1951-52 are contained in the following table:—

**REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE OF POSTMASTER-GENERAL'S
DEPARTMENT IN VICTORIA, 1947-48 TO 1951-52.**

Particulars.	Year ended 30th June—				
	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.
	£	£	£	£	£
<i>Revenue.</i>					
Postage	3,613,426	3,728,539	4,068,451	4,661,000	6,106,000
Money Order Commission					
} Poundage on Postal Notes	114,611	124,434	138,427	152,000	275,000
Private Boxes and Bags	18,404	20,163	21,113	31,000	36,000
Miscellaneous	254,481	273,058	295,362	306,000	426,000
Total Postal	4,000,922	4,146,194	4,523,353	5,150,000	6,843,000
Telegraphs	832,865	824,795	1,012,226	1,206,000	1,364,000
Radio	234,724	350,523	*	*	*
Telephones	4,165,860	4,365,170	5,493,129	6,642,000	9,147,000
Total Revenue	9,234,371	9,686,682	11,028,708	12,998,000	17,354,000
<i>Expenditure.</i>					
Salaries and Contingencies—					
Salaries and Payments in the					
Nature of Salary	3,700,481	4,435,569	5,042,851	6,480,000	7,802,000
General Expenses	359,199	424,125	469,569	651,000	831,000
Stores and Material	198,804	209,190	363,622	451,000	361,000
Mail Services	350,433	494,897	493,503	551,000	578,000
Engineering Services (other than new works)	2,394,775	2,896,523	3,334,044	4,143,000	5,005,000
Rents, Repairs, Maintenance, Fittings, &c.	110,313	119,541	142,566	161,000	182,000
Proportion of Audit Expenses	3,550	3,550	4,596	5,000	7,000
New Works—					
Telegraph, Telephones, and Wireless	2,099,470	3,189,156	3,810,000	5,747,000	7,622,000
New Buildings, &c.	277,785	360,786	836,921	1,069,000	859,000
Post Office Stores and Transport					
Trust Account—Advance		2,250,000	3,000,000	11,000,000	
Other Expenditure	7,295	5,991	4,488	3,000	3,000
Total Expenditure	9,502,105	14,389,328	17,502,160	30,261,000	23,250,000

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

TRANSPORT.

**Transport
Regulation
Board.**

The 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 1949-50 to 1951-52 :—

VICTORIA—NUMBER OF TRANSPORT LICENCES AND PERMITS IN FORCE 1949-50 TO 1951-52.

Type of Licence or Permit—	Year Ended 30th June—		
	1950.	1951.	1952.
Temporary Licences—			
Commercial Passenger Vehicles	1,217	688	988
Commercial Goods Vehicles	3,169	3,376	3,837
	4,386	4,064	4,825
Permanent "Discretionary" Licences—			
Commercial Passenger Vehicles	3,655	3,580	3,620
Commercial Goods Vehicles	2,259	2,264	2,213
	5,914	5,844	5,833

VICTORIA—NUMBER OF TRANSPORT LICENCES AND PERMITS IN FORCE
1949-50 TO 1951-52—*continued.*

Type of Licence or Permit—	Year Ended 30th June—		
	1950.	1951.	1952.
Licences issued "As of Right"—			
To operate for hire or reward—within 25 miles of the G.P.O.—			
Melbourne	10,459	10,502	10,811
Ballarat	338	358	363
Bendigo	330	346	356
Geelong	493	513	533
Within 20 miles of place of business of the owner; generally outside the radius of 25 miles from the G.P.O., Melbourne, Ballarat, Bendigo, and Geelong	9,061	8,879	8,900
Primary Producers	6,243	6,691	7,825
Commercial goods vehicles owned by butter and cheese factories	601	624	692
Commercial goods vehicles authorized to carry the goods of the owners	29,826	27,907	27,029
Commercial goods vehicles being used as—			
Carriers of all "Third Schedule" goods	4,490	4,779	5,076
Racehorse floats	37	37	40
Tank wagons for carriage of petroleum products	213	233	349
Commercial travellers' cars	436	425	485
	62,527	61,294	62,459
Additional Licences to commercial goods vehicles to carry passengers	294	263	201
Total Licences issued	73,121	71,465	73,318
Permits to operate temporarily outside the conditions of the Licences—			
Commercial passenger vehicles	7,707	3,607	4,437
Commercial goods vehicles	68,831	66,150	99,414
Total	76,538	69,757	103,851
Financial Transactions—	£	£	£
Revenue	247,403	259,164	702,352
Expenditure	113,621	158,491	246,002
Amount transferred to Consolidated Revenue	133,782	100,673	456,350

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.

As from 1st February, 1952, the 14 miles of railway between Kerang and Koondrook was taken under the control of the Victorian Railways. This line was formerly owned and operated by the Shire of Kerang.

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 283.

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 335 and 336. 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 1948-1952, is shown in the following table:—

VICTORIA—TOTAL CAPITAL COST OF RAILWAYS, ETC.,
EQUIPMENT AND ROLLING STOCK, 1948-1952.

At 30th June—	Railways.		Electric Tramways.	Road Motor Services.	Total Capital Cost.*
	Lines Opened.	Lines in Process of Construction.	Lines Opened.		
	£	£	£	£	£
1948	52,145,792	169,909	137,029	11,037	52,463,767
1949	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
1952	71,194,196	409,510	125,465	5,509	71,734,680

* 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.

Loan liability. The face value of stock and bonds allocated to the Railways Department, as reduced in accordance with Act No. 4429, amounted to £73,505,040 at 30th June, 1952. After deducting the value of securities purchased by the National Debt Sinking Fund and cancelled (£8,012,089), the total liability in respect of current loans outstanding at that date was £65,492,951. The annual interest payable on this amount, calculated at the average rate of 3.166 per cent., was £2,073,507.

Additional funds, which amounted to £6,010,025 at 30th June, 1952, 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 1947-48 to 1951-52 are given in the following table :—

VICTORIA—RAILWAYS MILEAGE AND TRAFFIC (EXCLUDING ELECTRIC TRAMWAYS AND ROAD MOTOR SERVICES), 1947-48 TO 1951-52.

Heading.	At 30th June—				
	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.
	Miles.	Miles.	Miles.	Miles.	Miles.
Lines Constructed ..	4,830.79	4,830.79	4,830.79	4,830.79	4,844.79*
.. Closed for Traffic	105.75	132.51	139.01	140.01	147.06
.. Open for Traffic	4,725.04	4,698.28	4,691.78	4,690.78	4,697.73
	During Year ended 30th June—				
	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.
Traffic Train Mileage	16,819,339	17,351,775	17,549,489	14,574,809	16,972,801
Passenger Journeys ..	182,209,652	176,555,074	182,101,351	141,312,589	165,130,762
Goods and Live Stock Carried (Tons) ..	8,439,760	8,859,016	9,125,140	7,539,166	9,204,410

* Includes 14 miles of railway formerly owned and operated by the Shire of Kerang.

Railways revenue and expenditure. The revenue and expenditure of the Railways Department during each of the five financial years 1948-1952 were as follows :—

**VICTORIA—RAILWAYS REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE,
1947-48 TO 1951-52.**

Heading.	Year ended 30th June—				
	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.
Revenue—	£	£	£	£	£
Passenger, &c., Business—					
Passenger Fares	6,544,248	6,740,494	7,353,549	6,517,373	8,226,553
Parcels, Mails, &c	636,896	685,916	833,533	756,809	941,862
Other	42,959	40,881	41,242	41,510	53,755
Goods, &c., Business—					
Goods	7,132,125	7,686,515	9,706,717	9,138,159	12,269,567
Live Stock	683,632	741,433	932,286	696,256	970,799
Minerals	} 176,058	} 168,206	} 177,862	} 158,094	} 225,314
Other					
Miscellaneous—					
Dining Car and Refreshment Services	714,849	768,525	830,416	850,408	1,140,242
Sale of Electrical Power	65,442	90,070	124,569	102,513	11,598
Rentals	178,122	188,743	202,626	234,092	291,092
Book Stalls	130,592	140,913	147,121	144,015	199,826
Advertising	45,274	49,500	47,426	44,812	53,577
Subsidy paid by Treasury for Interest, &c.			1,687,828	1,789,670	1,754,640
Other*	70,860	70,510	75,340	67,079	69,362
Total	16,421,057	17,371,706	22,160,515	20,540,790	26,208,187
Expenditure—					
Working Expenses—					
Way and Works	2,705,273	3,087,095	3,500,199	3,760,983	5,439,809
Rolling Stock	5,314,907	6,451,702	6,902,938	7,052,559	10,411,162
Transportation	4,974,783	5,710,579	6,222,089	6,512,545	9,208,953
Electrical Engineering Branch	739,686	946,668	993,796	1,187,244	1,713,830
Stores Branch	210,771	242,585	259,996	268,922	373,578
Pensions (non-contributory)	} 548,571	} 643,308	} 654,435	} 926,150	} 880,379
Payment to the Superannuation Fund					
Contribution to Railway Renewals and Replacements Fund	200,000	200,000	650,000	200,000	200,000
Contribution to Railway Accident and Fire Insurance Fund	121,125	100,378	135,000	163,184	251,357
Pay-roll Tax	267,322	300,470	331,703	345,667	486,214
Long Service Leave	140,170	147,815	158,586	165,122	434,831
Other	356,456	365,429	403,430	433,990	583,272
Total Working Expenses	15,579,064	18,196,029	20,212,172	21,016,366	29,983,385
Less Expenditure charged to Special Funds	244,004	257,639	94,609	67,072	174,910
Working Expenses charged to Railway Revenue	15,335,060	17,938,390	20,117,563	20,949,294	29,808,475
Net Revenue	1,085,997	566,684	2,042,952	408,504	3,600,288
		<i>Dr.</i>		<i>Dr.</i>	<i>Dr.</i>

* Including recoup on account of reduction in outer suburban fares, £18,000 in 1947-48, £15,000 in 1948-49, £12,000 in 1949-50, and £9,000 in 1950-51, and £6,000 in 1951-52.

VICTORIA—RAILWAYS REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE, 1947-48
TO 1951-52—continued.

Heading.	Year ended 30th June—				
	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.
	£	£	£	£	£
Debt Charges—					
Interest Charges and Expenses†	1,861,741	1,881,228	1,934,546	2,073,028	2,047,487
Exchange on Interest Payments and Redemption	168,089	153,321	157,444	157,292	157,843
Contribution to National Debt Sinking Fund	130,533	132,886	137,019	147,589	142,966
Net Result for Year ..	-1,074,366	-2,734,119	-186,057	-2,786,411	-5,948,584
Proportion of Working Expenses to Revenue	%	%	%	%	%
	93·4	103·3	90·8	101·99	113·74

† Including Loan Conversion Expenses.

The revenue for 1951-52 increased by £5,667,397 as compared with that for 1950-51. Passenger business increased by £1,906,478, while goods, &c., business increased by £3,473,171. Total working expenses increased by £8,967,019, as compared with those of the previous year.

Railways earnings and expenses per mile open.

The earnings, expenses charged to railway revenue, and net revenue per average mile of railway worked for each of the five years 1947-48 to 1951-52 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, 1947-48 TO 1951-52 (EXCLUDING
ELECTRIC TRAMWAYS AND ROAD MOTOR SERVICES).

Heading.	Year ended 30th June—				
	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.
Average Number of Miles open for Traffic	4,725	4,711	4,692	4,687	4,687
	£	£	£	£	£
Gross Revenue per Mile	3,454	3,667	4,699	4,362	5,592
Working Expenses* per Mile	3,222	3,782	4,259	4,440	6,318
Net Revenue per Mile	232	..	440	..	..

* Charged to Railway Revenue.

Capital cost of Railways Rolling stock.

At 30th June, 1952, the capital cost of the broad-gauge rolling stock, after being written down in accordance with Act No. 4429 of 1936, was £19,218,338, of the narrow-gauge £10,765, of the electric street tramways £19,480, and of the road motor coaches and trucks £616.

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 1948-52, are shown in the following table :—

VICTORIA—RAILWAYS STAFF—NUMBERS, SALARIES, ETC.,
1947-48 TO 1951-52.

Year ended 30th June—	Number of Employees at End of Year.			Salaries, Wages and Travelling Expenses.
	Permanent.	Supernumerary and Casual.	Total.	
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
1952	17,486	11,085	28,571	21,364,891

**St. Kilda-
Brighton and
Sandringham-
Black Rock
Electric
Tramways.**

The results of operating the St. Kilda-Brighton and Sandringham-Black Rock Electric Tramways for 1951-52 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, 1951-52.

(Under the control of the Railways Commissioners.)

Heading.	St. Kilda- Brighton Electric Tramway.	Sandringham- Black Rock Electric Tramway.	Total.
Average Mileage of Tramway Worked	5.18	2.42	7.60
Car Mileage	464,116	126,808	590,924
Passengers Carried	4,060,781	1,551,175	5,611,956
	£	£	£
Gross Revenue	73,624	24,961	98,585
Working Expenses	113,596	28,313	141,909
Interest Charges, &c.	3,530	1,425	4,955
Net Result	Loss 43,502	Loss 4,777	Loss 48,279
Capital Expenditure at 30th June, 1952, as written down under Act No. 4429 of 1936—			
Construction of Lines, &c.	70,705	35,280	105,985
Rolling Stock	18,135	1,345	19,480
Total	88,840	36,625	125,465

The following table gives particulars for each of the four years 1948-49 to 1951-52 of the operations of the Road Motor Services under the control of the Railways Commissioners.

VICTORIA—ROAD MOTOR SERVICES, 1948-49 TO 1951-52.
(Under the control of the Railways Commissioners.)

Heading.	1948-49.	1949-50.	1950-51.	1951-52.
	No.	No.	No.	No.
Car Mileage	332,232	356,432	298,330	356,085
Passenger Journeys*	1,150,690	1,232,982	963,712	1,087,378
	£	£	£	£
Gross Revenue	15,404	18,985	15,513	20,170
Working Expenses	36,806	40,098	39,686	51,699
Interest Charges and Exchange	385	346	257	241
Net Loss	21,787	21,459	24,430	34,770
Capital Expenditure at end of Year (less depreciation written off)	10,743	8,768	6,678	5,509

* 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.

**Municipal
Railway.**

TRAMWAYS.

The various tramway systems in the State at 30th June, 1952 (excluding those under the control of the Railways Commissioners) comprised 174·874 miles of electric lines, of which 144·698 miles were double and 30·176 miles single track.

**Victorian
Tramways.**

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 335, and "All Victorian Tramways," page 341.

The subjoined table contains particulars relating to all tramways in Victoria (with the foregoing exceptions) for each of the five years 1947-48 to 1951-52.

VICTORIAN TRAMWAYS, 1947-48 TO 1951-52.

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

Year ended 30th June.	Track Open.		Tram Mileage.	Passenger Journeys.	Traffic Receipts.	Working Expenses.	Rolling-stock.	Persons Employed.
	Double.	Single.						
	Miles.	Miles.	Miles.	No.	£	£	No.	No.
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* ..	135.698	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
1952 ..	144.698	30.176	23,736,273	235,678,416	4,885,118	4,511,897	884	5,573

* 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 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, 1952, 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 1947-48 to 1951-52 in the following statement.

MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS, 1947-48
TO 1951-52.

Year ended 30th June.	Track Open.		Tram Mileage.	Passenger Journeys.	Traffic Receipts.	Working Expenses.	Rolling-stock.	Persons Employed.
	Double.	Single.						
	Miles.	Miles.	Miles.	No.	£	£	No.	No.
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
1952 ..	127·808	5·186	21,648,265	217,684,502	4,610,100	3,998,524	772	5,126

* See note on page 337.

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 1947-48 and 1951-52.

MOTOR OMNIBUS SYSTEMS 1947-48 TO 1951-52.

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

Year ended 30th June—	Route Miles.	Bus Mileage.	Passenger Journeys.	Traffic Receipts.	Working Expenses.	Rolling-stock.	Persons Employed.
			No.	£	£	No.	No.
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
1952 ..	66·740	7,598,236	62,618,833	1,266,065	1,259,091	332	1,475

* See note on page 337.

A summary of the revenue and expenditure by the Tramways Board for the year ended 30th June, 1952, is set out hereunder:—

	£	£
Traffic Receipts	5,876,165	
Advertisements, rents, &c.	65,038	
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Total Revenue		5,941,203
Working Expenses		5,308,331
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Surplus on Operation		632,872
Fixed Charges (including Depreciation)		724,909
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Balance in Appropriation Account		Dr. 92,037
Appropriations—		
Loan Redemption	30,403	
Loan Sinking Funds	47,424	
Renewals Reserve	128,078	
General Reserve	161,572	
Other	13,765	
	<hr/>	381,242
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		Dr. 473,279
Less—		
Investment Income	38,437	
Depreciation charged in Operation Account	378,848	
	<hr/>	417,285
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		Dr. 55,994
Payments to Consolidated Revenue		303,113
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Deficit for Year		359,107
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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, 1952, amounted to £4,046,124. This amount was allocated as follows:—Fire Brigades Board, £2,336,255; Licensing Fund, £435,251; and Infectious Diseases Hospital, £1,274,618. 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, 1952, the capital cost of the tramways vested in the Tramways Board, after writing off the value of obsolete assets, amounted to £11,656,870, of which £9,821,170 related to electric tramways, £1,447,331 to motor omnibuses, and £388,369 to general properties. Assets at book value—£35,639—being plant, &c. scrapped, were written off during the year.

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 1951-52.

MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS BOARD
TRAFFIC RECEIPTS, WORKING EXPENSES, ETC., PER
MILE, ETC., 1951-52.

System.	Traffic Receipts.			Working Expenses to Total Revenue.	Working Expenses per Vehicle Mile, including Power Cost.	Average Distance per Penny.
	Per Vehicle Mile.	Per Mile of Single Track Operated.	Per Passenger.			
	<i>d.</i>	£	<i>d.</i>	%	<i>d.</i>	Miles.
Electric ..	51·109	17,677	5·083	86·294	44·329	·530
Omnibus ..	39·990	9,485	4·852	99·128	39·770	·496

Tramways
in Extra-
Metropolitan
Cities.

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 1947-48 to 1951-52 are summarized in the following table :—

TRAMWAYS IN EXTRA-METROPOLITAN CITIES, 1947-48 TO
1951-52.

Year ended 30th June.	Track Open.		Tram Mileage.	Passenger Journeys.	Traffic Receipts.	Working Expenses.	Rolling-stock.	Persons Employed.
	Double.	Single.						
	Miles.	Miles.		No.	£	£	No.	No.
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 ..	9·50	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
1952 ..	9·50	24·78	1,497,084	12,381,958	180,135	375,146	81	342

Summary of all Victorian Tramways. A summary of the operations for each of the years 1950-51 and 1951-52 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, 1950-51 AND 1951-52.

Heading.	1950-51.	1951-52.
Route Mileage Open—Double .. miles	144·698	144·698
Single miles	30·176	30·176
Total miles	174·874	174·874
Cost of Construction and Equipment .. £	9,824,299	9,992,865
Gross Revenue—		
Traffic Receipts £	4,167,481	4,885,118
Other £	22,963	27,793
Total Revenue £	4,190,444	4,912,911
Working Expenses £	3,697,471	4,511,897
Net Earnings £	492,973	401,014
Interest, &c. £	76,099	89,011
Statutory Charges, Rates, &c. £	612,432	717,245
Net Result after Paying Working Expenses, Interest, &c., Statutory Charges, Rates, &c. £	<i>Loss</i> 195,558	<i>Loss</i> 405,242
Tram Miles Run miles	23,411,128	23,736,273
Passenger Journeys No.	257,888,440	235,678,416
Staff Employed—		
Salaried No.	766	766
Wages No.	4,089	4,807
Total Staff No.	4,855	5,573
Rolling Stock No.	879	884

MOTOR VEHICLES.

**Licensed
vehicles 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 1949-50 to 1951-52 is shown on page 329.

**Motor Vehicle
Registration.** Every motor car and every trailer attached thereto and every motor cycle, together with a trailer, fore-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.

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 ..	£1 to £4 each, according to the unladen weight and the type of tires
Motor omnibuses (operating on specified routes in the metropolitan area)	£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.

**Motor
Driver's
Licence.**

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 1947-48 to 1951-52, 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 1947-48 TO 1951-52.**

Heading.	At 30th June—				
	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.
Motor Vehicles—	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Private Cars	167,331	185,043	222,251	258,709	368,944
Commercial Vehicles	57,250	63,631	69,763	74,780	85,021
Hire Cars	3,710	3,958	4,262	4,463	4,898
Primary Producers'	60,992	63,574	69,380	69,552	44,038*
Omnibuses	869	949	866	878	1,172
Traction Engines	107	68	47	47	36
Trailers	9,929	10,272	11,100	10,699	12,532
Motor Cycles	29,083	31,647	34,231	33,531	34,874
Drivers' and Riders' Licences	470,971	487,407	525,709	575,753	639,910
Dealers' Licences	567	682	805	900	1,024
Transfers	76,968	101,879	132,171	158,816	151,836
Total Revenue Received during year ended 30th June.. .. .	£	£	£	£	£
	2,245,604	2,427,856	2,910,536	3,511,964	4,557,177

* Prior to 12th November, 1951, Primary Producers' vehicles included private cars and commercial vehicles, but since that date only vehicles constructed for the carriage of goods and used by Primary Producers solely in connection with their business, are included under this heading.

The principal items of revenue received during 1951-52 were in respect of motor cars, £3,919,681; motor cycles, £37,264; and drivers' licences, £320,010.

In the next statement, details relating to new registrations and renewals of registration of motor cars and motor cycles are shown for the years 1950-51 and 1951-52 respectively.

VICTORIA—NEW REGISTRATIONS AND RENEWALS OF
REGISTRATION OF MOTOR CARS AND MOTOR CYCLES
1950-51 AND 1951-52.

Vehicles.	1950-51.			1951-52.		
	New Registrations.		Renewals of Registra- tion.	New Registrations.		Renewals of Registra- tion.
	New Vehicles.	Used Vehicles.		New Vehicles.	Used Vehicles.	
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Motor Cars—						
Private	36,565	15,806	206,338	42,258	19,248	280,997
Commercial and Hire ..	12,333	4,935	61,097	13,776	5,624	71,614
Primary Producers' ..	6,528	3,385	59,639	8,461	3,855	46,011
Motor Cycles	5,441	4,697	23,393	5,387	6,303	25,506

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—TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS: NUMBER OF PERSONS
AFFECTED, 1951-52.

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	1,373 (1,253)	49 (54)	1,602 (1,392)	1,098 (864)	2,471 (2,117)
Metropolitan Area (excluding City of Melbourne)	4,955 (4,523)	214 (222)	5,750 (5,191)	2,959 (2,660)	7,914 (7,183)
Total—Metropolitan Area ..	6,328 (5,776)	263 (276)	7,352 (6,583)	4,057 (3,524)	10,385 (9,300)
Remainder of State	3,783 (3,498)	340 (305)	5,179 (4,781)	2,391 (2,063)	6,174 (5,561)
Grand Total	10,111 (9,274)	603 (581)	12,531 (11,364)	6,448 (5,587)	16,559 (14,861)

NOTE.—Figures in parentheses in the table above relate to the year 1950 51.

In the table which follows, traffic accidents during 1951-52 have been recorded according to the classification of male and female victims:—

VICTORIA—TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS—PERSONS KILLED
OR INJURED, 1951-52.

Description.	Males.		Females.		Total.	
	Killed.	Injured.	Killed.	Injured.	Killed.	Injured.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Pedestrian	151	1,736	55	921	206	2,657
Driver of motor vehicle other than motor cycle	91	2,172	4	198	95	2,370
Driver of motor cycle	85	1,862	..	9	85	1,871
Passenger—motor car, truck, bus, &c. (including pillion rider)	90	1,895	46	1,759	136	3,654
Pedal cyclist	9	229	1	99	10	328
Pedal cyclist	51	1,197	3	196	54	1,393
Driver or passenger of horse-drawn vehicle or equestrian	6	64	..	14	6	78
Other	9	95	2	85	11	180
Total	492	9,250	111	3,281	603	12,531

Particulars of victims of traffic accidents during 1951-52 are shown according to age and sex in the following statement:—

VICTORIA—TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS—AGE AND SEX OF
PERSONS KILLED OR INJURED, 1951-52.

Age Group. (Years)	Males.		Females.		Total.	
	Killed.	Injured.	Killed.	Injured.	Killed.	Injured.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Under 5	9	239	7	153	16	392
5 and under 7	9	188	7	119	16	307
7 and under 17	29	911	7	401	36	1,312
17 and under 20	35	1,065	5	299	40	1,364
20 and under 30	108	2,730	12	520	120	3,250
30 and under 40	85	1,570	14	522	99	2,092
40 and under 50	67	1,049	10	448	77	1,497
50 and under 60	55	786	14	378	69	1,164
60 and over	91	678	35	427	126	1,105
Not stated	4	34	..	14	4	48
Total	492	9,250	111	3,281	603	12,531

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, 1951-52.

Principal Causes of Road Accidents.	Accidents Involving Casualties.	Persons Killed.	Persons Injured.
	No.	No.	No.
Driver or rider of vehicle responsible—			
Excessive speed	786	114	1,208
Not keeping to left	709	59	1,122
Not giving right of way to other vehicle at intersection	1,452	28	1,893
Failing to make right hand turn at intersection with due care	131	2	175
Intoxicated	88	5	119
Inexperience	44	1	60
Inattentive driving or riding	2,761	131	3,397
Hit-run drivers	53	2	56
Reversing without care	62	..	67
Overtaking on near side or in the face of oncoming vehicles	102	9	165
Following other vehicle too closely	4	..	8
Infirmity of driver or rider	21	2	21
Driver asleep or drowsy	39	7	43
Dazzled by lights of an approaching vehicle	78	4	131
Failing to signal intention of turning or stopping or giving incorrect signal	153	1	182
Pulling out from kerb suddenly or without warning	65	..	76
Disregarding, misunderstanding, or failing to observe traffic sign or signal of other driver	578	16	747
Crossing railway level crossing without due care	27	7	41
Other	13	2	16
	7,166	390	9,527
Vehicle defects responsible—			
Defective brakes or steering	70	4	108
Inadequate or no lights	39	1	46
Defective tyres	17	2	19
Other	54	6	61
	180	13	234
Pedestrians responsible—			
Boarding vehicle in motion	35	1	35
Walking across roadway without due care	1,294	130	1,228
Running across roadway	365	10	361
Passing from behind or in front of vehicle without care	41	..	42
Stepping off kerb without care	122	2	126
Intoxicated	16	1	15
Infirmity	3	..	3
Child under 7 years of age not under, or breaking away from, the supervision of an elder person	409	16	400
Other	14	2	12
	2,299	162	2,222

VICTORIA—CAUSES OF ROAD ACCIDENTS, 1951-52—continued.

Principal Causes of Road Accidents.	Accidents Involving Casualties.	Persons Killed.	Persons Injured.
	No.	No.	No.
Passengers responsible—			
Alighting from vehicle in motion	36	2	34
Falling from vehicle in motion	123	12	115
Riding improperly on vehicle	50	4	47
Intoxicated	13	1	12
Other	9	..	9
	231	19	217
Other causes responsible—			
Attributed to animals	107	6	120
Road faults	35	1	45
Weather conditions	6	..	8
Accidents attributed to parties not involved ..	47	1	62
Other	40	11	96
	235	19	331
Total	10,111	603	12,531

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, 1950-51 AND 1951-52.

Type of Vehicle, &c., Involved.	1950-51.			1951-52.		
	Number of Accidents.*	Number Killed.	Number Injured.	Number of Accidents.*	Number Killed.	Number Injured.
Motor Car	6,093	318	7,727	7,042	348	8,974
Motor Van	750	39	1,037	710	53	957
Motor Truck, Lorry	1,542	122	1,921	1,546	118	1,992
Motor Bus	383	31	484	333	33	505
Motor Cycle	2,093	136	2,382	2,995	109	2,573
Pedal Cycle	1,491	53	1,539	1,491	55	1,537
Tram—Electric	283	33	321	277	22	335
Train—Electric and Steam	32	27	53	31	19	59
Horse-drawn Vehicle	93	5	96	82	6	102
Horse	12	1	11	12	1	11
Pedestrian	2,524	183	2,498	2,730	206	2,679
Other	12	2	15	19	7	18

* 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 1950-51 to 1952-53 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, 1950-51 TO 1952-53.

(Particulars relating to Airline Companies registered in Victoria.)

Particulars.	1950-51.	1951-52.	1952-53.
Registered aircraft owners No.	56	57	59
Registered aircraft "	156	162	167
Landing Grounds—			
Government "	18	17	12
Public "	1	1	1
Accidents—			
Persons killed .. .. "	..	..	..
Persons injured "	5	2	..
Regular Airline Operations—			
Hours flown "	202,790	208,390	185,522
Miles flown "	33,820,300	34,472,800	31,663,663
Passengers Carried—			
Paying "	1,375,085	1,472,918	1,348,512
Non paying "	17,492	18,508	18,353
Total "	1,392,577	1,491,426	1,366,865
Goods carried Tons	49,153	47,632	52,585
Mail carried lb.	6,093,472	4,998,480	4,191,991