SECTION XIII.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.

§ 1. General.

1. Industrial Progress.—The statistics of manufactures in the Commonwealth shew that many industries have now been permanently established on a secure basis, and also indicate a consistent progress both in regard to the extension of existing industries and the establishment of new ones. As will be seen from the following pages, thisgrowth has been particularly rapid since the abolition of inter-colonial tariffs consequent upon the creation of the Commonwealth of Australia in 1901, the throwing open of the whole of the Australian markets to the industrial products of each State having facilitated the internal distribution of the products of Australian industry.

(i.) The Gold Discoveries, 1851. Prior to the gold discoveries (1851) there was little development in the manufacturing industries of Australia. Reference to that period will be found in earlier issues of the Year Book (see No. 6, page 524).

(ii.) Later Progress. Soon after the discovery of gold, the construction of the first railways (1854) and the re-establishment of regular steamship communication with Europe (1856) helped to encourage the nascent industrial activity. The Colonies of New South Wales and Victoria, which had recently (1855) received the benefits of responsible government, soon turned their attention to the settlement of an agricultural population on the land. The Acts which were passed had a beneficial effect on the workers, giving them opportunities for employment not previously open to them, and fostering the manufacturing industries by increasing the measure of primary production. During the following years the various manufacturing industries The statistics of the States are not sufficiently complete or uniform to prospered. enable a statement of the progress of these industries to be given. The following table, however, shewing, so far as returns are available, the number of factories and the number of employees in each State at decennial periods from 1861 to 1911, and for each of the five years 1912 to 1916, will serve to indicate generally the progress which has been made. Consequent on Victoria and South Australia having fallen into line with New South Wales in furnishing manufacturing returns for the commercial year ended 30th June, it has been found necessary in the present issue to repeat the 1915 year's figures in the case of Victorian and South Australian manufactures, the New South Wales returns being for year ended 30th June, 1916, and those for the other three States for the calendar year 1916 :-

N.S.W.	Victoria.	Queensland.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	C'wealth.
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1,813	1,740			•••		
2,961	2,488	571†	8231			
3,056	3,141	1,328†	996†	175		
3.367	3,249	2,110+	1,335†	662	420*	11,143
5.039	5,126	1,657	1,314	710	609	14,455
	5,263	1,790	1,341	711	611	14,878
	5.613	1,838		763	623	15,536
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				780	589	15,092
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NUMBER OF FACTORIES AND EMPLOYEES IN EACH STATE, 1861 to 1916.

• For 1902. † Not on same basis as other States. ‡ New South Wales for year ended 30th June, 1916; Victoria and South Australia, calendar year 1915; Queensland, Western Australia, and Tasmania calendar year 1916. See last paragraph above. # For year ended 30th June, 1915. Nore.—In this and all subsequent tables, except where specially mentioned, "Number of Employees" includes working proprietors.

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Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Queensland.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	C'wealth
			NUMBER OF	EMPLOY	EES.	<u> </u>	
1861	1	4,395	1	1			
1871	13,583	19,569		5,629†			
1881	31,191	43,209		10,995†			
1891	50,879	53,525		14,099†	•••		
1901	66,135	66,529	26,172	19,283†	12,198	7,466*	197,789
1911	108,624	111,948	37,156	27,885	15,799	10,298	311,710
1912	115,561	116,108	40,948	28,500	16,382	9,957	327,456
1913	120,400	118,744	42,363	28,511	17,299	9,784	337,101
1914	116.611	118,399	43,282	26,874	17,640	8,922	331,728
1915	1116,611	113,834	42,079	25,496	14,631	8,420	321,071
1916‡	116,401	113,834	39,983	25,496	12,676	8,362	316,759

NUMBER OF FACTORIES AND EMPLOYEES IN EACH STATE, 1361 TO 1916—(Continued).

For notes see previous page.

2. Defects in Industrial Statistics.—A complete statistical account of the growth of the manufacturing industries in Australia unfortunately cannot be given for any lengthy period, owing to the fact that the necessary statistics have not been collected in past years by the several States upon a definite and identical basis. Even in respect of the definition of a "factory" or (so far as they might be included in related returns) the statistics of persons employed therein, there was formerly no common agreement. The relatively minor place that manufacturing industry held in relation to the total activity of Australia was, perhaps, responsible for the fact that the necessity for uniform method was not earlier recognised.

In 1896 it was agreed, as between Victoria and New South Wales, to adopt a common definition of the term "factory," viz., "any factory, workshop, or mill where four or more persons are employed or power is used." This agreement was adopted for the States generally at the Conference of State Statisticians in 1902, when it was decided, however, that the term "factory" should include also "all establishments, whether making for the trade, wholesale or retail, or for export." It was further agreed that industries should be arranged, as far as possible, under a uniform classification. As a result of the conference of 1902 a higher degree of uniformity in the collection and presentation of industrial statistics was attained in the several States, so that returns upon which anything like a proper comparative study of the development and progress of various manufacturing industries in the Commonwealth may be based, date back only as far as the year 1903, when the resolution of the conference first came to be put into force. All the States did not, however, fall completely into line, and, as may be seen in the succeeding parts of this section, the comparisons afforded by the returns for the years 1903 to 1906 inclusive, are in some cases subject to various limitations. At the Conference of Statisticians held in Melbourne in 1906 special consideration was given to the methods to be adopted for the collection of statistical information regarding primary and secondary production and industry. A definite classification of industries was adopted, and a set of forms for the collection and compilation of industrial statistics on a definite and uniform basis in each State was agreed upon. The States have not, even yet, fallen entirely into line in collecting and classifying the returns. The particulars for the past eight years are, however, in more complete co-ordination than formerly, and it is now possible to give particulars for the several States in greater detail and with greater uniformity throughout.

3. Classification of Manufacturing Industries.—Under the classification adopted at the Conference of Statisticians held in 1906, factories were placed under nineteen different categories, according to the nature of the industry carried on therein, most of the . categories being further subdivided. Where two or more industries are carried on by one proprietor in one building, each industry is, when possible, treated as a separate establishment. The statement given hereafter shews the classification which has been adopted; it

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must be understood, however, that this classification does not pretend to be exhaustive, but merely serves as a guide for the collection and presentation of statistics in the several States on a definite and uniform basis :—

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CLASSIFICATION OF MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.

§ 2. Number of Factories.

1. General.—In stating the number of factories in the States of the Commonwealth, it is to be remembered that in the collection of statistics for years prior to 1907 the same basis has not been adopted in each State. In Queensland, for example, prior to 1906, the statistics included all establishments where two or more hands were employed, except Government railway workshops, which were not included till 1907. The difference in other respects is not material.

In the following table, shewing the total number of factories in the Commonwealth during the years 1903 and 1911 to 1916, it should be noted that not only are the results affected by differences of classification prior to 1907, but also that the alteration in

NUMBER OF FACTORIES.

the number of factories from year to year does not unequivocally indicate a change in the position of the industry, since amalgamations may account for part of the reduction of the numbers. (See § 3, 5.)

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Aust.	West. Aust.	Tasmania.	C'wealth.
1903	3,476	4,151	2,001*	906*†	586	431	11,551
1911 1912	$5,039 \\ 5,162$	5,126 5,263	1,657 1.790	1,314 1.341	710	609 611	14,455 14,878
1913	5,346	5,613	1,838	1,353	· 763	623	15,536
1914 1915	15,269 15,269	5,650 5,413	1,796 1,775	1,323 1,266	787 780	603 589	15,428 15, 09 2
1916	5,210	5,413	1,782	1,266	771	568	15,010

FACTORIES OF THE COMMONWEALTH, 1903 and 1911 to 1916.

Not on same basis as other States. † 1904 results, those for 1903 not available.
 ‡ For year ended 30th June, 1915. || See note ‡ first table, this section.

(i.) Classification of Factories in Commonwealth, 1911 to 1916. The following table shews the total number of factories in the Commonwealth at the end of each year from 1911 to 1916, classified on the basis indicated in $\S1, 3$ hereof :—

CLASSIFICATION OF FACTORIES IN THE COMMONWEALTH, 1911 to 1916.

Class of Industry.	1911,	1912.	1913.	1914.	1915.	1916.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
I. Treating raw material, product of agricul-		('				
tural and pastoral pursuits, etc	857	871	907	870	839	817
II. Treating oils and fats, animal, vegetable, etc.	105	102	100	101	99	96
III. Processes in stone, clay, glass, etc	719	709	732	706	654	626
IV. Working in wood	1,625	1,752	1,812	1,764	1,702	1,661
V. Metal works, machinery, etc	1,697	1,779	1,814	1,824	1.814	1,832
VI. Connected with food and drink, etc	2,310	2,331	2,366	2,333	2,328	2,372
VII. Clothing and textile fabrics, etc	3,093	3,115	3,266	3,254	3,117	3.085
VIII. Books, paper, printing and engraving	1,144	1,158	1,206	1,229	1,225	1,225
IX. Musical instruments, etc.	19	21	21	19	19	20
X. Arms and explosives	14	16	20	19	20	21
XI. Vehicles and fittings, saddlery & harness, etc.	1,208	1,249	1.396	1,365	1.337	1,334
XII. Ship and boat building and repairing	87	97	96	93	88	72
XIII. Furniture, bedding, and upholstery	613	670	719	703	693	697
XIV. Drugs, chemicals, and by-products	189	202	206	213	206	207
XV. Surgical and other scientific instruments	41	44	48	52	51	51
XVI. Jewellery, timepieces, and platedware	169	177	190	200	199	195
XVII. Heat, light, and power	351	372	420	454	474	466
XVIII. Leatherware, n.e.i.	62	66	67	65	67	69
VIV Minon manage n o i	152	147	150	164	160	164
A1A. Minor wares, n.e.1	102			104	100	
Total	14,455	14,878	15,536	15,428	15,092	15.010

For the purpose of the returns in the above table the definition of a factory adopted at the Conference of Statisticians in 1902 (see § 1, 2 hereof) is used, viz., "Any factory, workshop or mill where four or more persons are employed or power is used." The total increase in the number of factories according to this table from 1911 to 1916 was 555, or an average of 111 a year. The state of the manufacturing industries throughout Australia cannot, however, be gauged from a mere enumeration of the number of factories. Some of the factories concerned were practically in their infancy, employing but few hands, while others were developed on a large scale. Also, as pointed out previously, amalgamations may in some instances account for a reduction in the numbers.

(ii.) Classification of Factories in each State, 1916. The following table shews the number of factories in each State of the Commonwealth, classified according to the nature of the industry. (See classification given in § 1, 3 hereof):—

NUMBER OF FACTORIES.

CLASSIFICATION OF FACTORIES IN EACH STATE, 1916.

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Class of Industry.	N.S.W.	Vic.	O'land.	S. Aus.	W.Aus.	Tas.	Cwlth.
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	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
I. Treating raw material, product of							
agricul. and pastoral pursuits, et		322	43	105	39	44	817
II. Treating oils and fats, animal, veg	3-					_	
	40	25	15	10	4	2	96
III. Processes in stone, clay, glass, etc	269	189	41	71	36	20	626
	649	410	301	94	66	141	1,661
V. Metal works, machinery, etc.	584	731	218	177	81	41	1,832
VI. Connected with food and drink, et		631	473	248	141	112	2,372
VII. Clothing and textile fabrics, etc		1,415	247	226	141	71	3,085
VIII. Books, paper, printing & engravin	g 458	443	143	85	73	23	1,225
IX. Musical instruments, etc	14	5]	1			20
X. Arms and explosives	. 8	12		1			- 21
XI. Vehicles and fittings, saddlery an	aj (n			1			1
harness, etc.	404	529	144	133	73	51	1,334
XII. Ship and boat building & repairin		12	11	8	5	6	72
XIII. Furniture, bedding, and upholster	y 246	265	78	48	40	20	697
XIV. Drugs, chemicals, and by-product		79	3	1 11	13	7	207
XV. Surgical and other scientific instru		-	7				1
ments	14	23		2	5		51
XVI. Jewellery, timepieces, & platedwar		94	16	14	8	.7	195
	229	142	29	17	32	17	466
XVIII. Leatherware, n.e.i	26	33	4	3	3		69
XIX. Minor wares, n e.i	73	53	9	12	11	6	164
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Total	. 5,210	5,413	1,782	1,266	771	568	15,010

2. Use of Mechanical Power.—The principal motive power is steam, but the chief towns possess electric power stations owned either by the Government, or by public bodies or private companies. From these many factories find it convenient to derive their motive power.

The following table shews the number of factories in which machinery was worked by steam, gas, oil, or electricity, and the horse-power of engines or motors used, in each State and in the Commonwealth :---

	Number of	Establie	hments.	Actual Horse-power of Engines Used.					
State.	Using Machinery worked by Steam, Gas, Oil, or Electricity	Others.	Total.	Steam.	Gas.	Qil.	Elec- tricity.	Total.	
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Commonwealth	11,550	3,460	15,010	349,157	53,921	8,541	118,149	529,768	

UTILISATION OF MECHANICAL POWER IN FACTORIES IN EACH STATE, 1916.

A comparison of the above table with that immediately preceding will explain the preponderance of horse-power employed in the New South Wales factories, this State possessing by far the largest number of industries demanding a considerable amount of power; Victoria, on the other hand, has the largest number of establishments, such as those connected with clothing and textile fabrics, wherein much less mechanical power is utilised.

The number of establishments in the Commonwealth using machinery worked by steam, gas, oil, or electricity was 11,550, or 76.95 per cent. of the total; 3460 establishments, representing 23.05 per cent., used no mechanical power. The total actual horse-power in use was 529,768, of which engines in which the motive power was steam formed 65.91 per cent.; gas, 10.18 per cent.; oil, 1.61 per cent.; and electricity, 22.30 per cent. The following table shews the horse-power of engines used in connection with factories in the Commonwealth during each of the last six years :---

			Number of	Actual Horse-power of Engines used.							
Year.			Using Machinery worked by Steam, Gas, Oil, or Electricity.	Others.	Total.	Steam.	Gas.	Oil.	Elec- tricity.	Total.	
1911 1912 1913 1914 1915 1916	····	···· ··· ···	11 550	No. 4,483 4,320 4,297 4,032 3,654 3,460	No. 14,455 14,878 15,536 15,428 15,092 15,010	H.P. 255,061 284,228 313,085 336,766 333,494 349,157	H.P. 35,889 43,905 48,677 50,976 54,994 53,921	H.P. 6,024 6,829 8,143 8,542 8,558 8,558 8,541	H.P. 46.576 56,797 72,250 95,253 107,788 118,149	H.P. 343,550 391,759 442,154 491,537 504,834 529,768	

UTILISATION OF MECHANICAL POWER IN FACTORIES IN COMMONWEALTH, 1911 to 1916.

During the last five years the number of establishments using mechanical power. has increased nearly 16 per cent., the actual horse-power of engines used increasing over 54 per cent. during the same period.

§ 3. Numbers Employed in Australian Factories.

1. Total Number Employed.—Each person employed in and about a factory, in whatever capacity, is now included as a factory employee, consequently every proprietor who works in his business is counted as an employee, and all "outworkers" (see paragraph 6 hereinafter) are also included. The individuals embraced may be classed under the following heads, viz.:—(i.) Working proprietors; (ii.) managers and overseers; (iii.) accountants and clerks; (iv.) enginedrivers and firemen; (v.) skilled and unskilled workers in the factories, mills, or workshops; (vi.) carters and messengers; and (vii.) others.

(i.) Average Numbers Employed, 1911 to 1916. The following table shews, for each year from 1911 to 1916 inclusive, (a) the average numbers of persons (including both sexes and all ages) employed in manufacturing industries in each State; (b) the percentage of the numbers employed in each State on the total numbers employed in the Commonwealth; and (c) the numbers employed per ten thousand of the mean population in each State and the Commonwealth:—

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AVERAGE NUMBER OF PERSONS EMPLOYED IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES, 1911 to 1916.

Year.		N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	C'wealth.
			Av	ERAGE N	UMBER.			
1911 1912 1913 1914 1915 1916†	···· ····	108,624 115,561 120,400 116,611* 116,611* 116,401	111,948 116,108 118,744 118,399 113,834 113,834	37,156 40,948 42,363 43,282 42,079 39,983	27,885 28,500 28,511 26,874 25,496 25,496	15,799 16,382 17,299 17,640 14,631 12,676	10,298 9,957 9,784 8,922 8,420 8,362	311,710 327,456 337,101 331,728 321,071 316,752
			CENTAGE	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	IONWEALT	<u> </u>		010,102
1911 1912 1913 1914 1915 1916†	···· ··· ···	% 34.85 35.29 35.72 35.15 36.32 36.75	% 35.91 35.46 35.22 35.69 35.45 35.94	% 11.92 12.51 12.57 13.05 13.11 12.62	% 8.95 8.70 8.46 8.10 7.94 8.05	% 5.07 5.00 5.13 5.32 4.56 4.00	% 3.30 3.04 2.90 2.69 2.62 2.64	% 100.00 100.00 100.00 100.00 100.00 100.00

* For year ended 30th June, 1915. † See footnote to table on page 481.

NUMBERS EMPLOYED IN AUSTRALIAN FACTORIES.

Year.		N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	C'wealth
·		I	PER 10,000	OF MEA	N POPULA	ATION.		•
1911		654	848	605	679	551	541	694
1912		665	856	648	676	543	519	705
1913		665	852	649	658	551	499	702
1914		626*	832	· 641	611	545	450	674
1915		626*	798	612	580	454	422	650
1916†		622	798	590	580	403	422	642

AVERAGE NUMBER OF PERSONS EMPLOYED IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES, 1911 TO 1916-Continued.

* Year ended 30th June, 1915. † See note 1 first table this section.

(ii.) Rates of Increase, 1911 to 1916. From the preceding table it may be seen that during the last three years there has been a general decrease in the average number of persons employed in manufacturing industries during the period referred to. The following table shews the percentage of increase or decrease on the average number for the preceding year from 1912 to 1916. The figures for the past three years are somewhat vitiated by the change in dates of collecting the statistics in New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia :—

PERCENTAGE OF INCREASE IN AVERAGE NUMBER EMPLOYED, 1911 to 1916.

Years.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	C'wealth.
1011 10	% 6.95	% 3.72	% 10.20	% 2.12	% 3.69	% 	* 02
1911-12 1912-13	4.19	2.27	3.46	0.04	5.69	-1.74	5.03 2.95
1913-14 1914-15	-3.27^{*} -3.27^{\bullet}	-0.29 -3.86	2.17 -2.78	-5.74 5.13	1.97 -17.06	-8.81 -5.63	-1.64 -3.21
1915-16†	0.10	3.86	-4.98	-5.13 .	-13.64	0.69	

Note. — signifies a decrease. * Eighteen months ended 30th June, 1915. † See note ‡ first table this section.

2. Classification of Numbers Employed in Factories in the Commonwealth, 1911 to 1916.—The following table gives a classification of the average numbers of persons employed in factories of different descriptions in the Commonwealth during the years 1911 to 1916 inclusive :—

AVERAGE NUMBER OF PERSONS EMPLOYED IN VARIOUS FACTORIES. IN THE COMMONWEALTH, 1911 to 1916.

Class of Industry.	1911.	1912.	1913.	1914.	1915.	1916.
I. Treating raw material, product of agri- cultural and pastoral pursuits, etc	9,805	9,624	9,495	9,221	9,306	9,009
II. Treating oils and fats, animal, vege- table, etc	2.019	2,091	2.091	2,259	2,523	0.900
III. Processes in stone, clay, glass, etc.	12,093	12,909	13,794		12.616	2,399 11,604
IV. Working in wood	27,948	30,660	31.646		26.030	23.336
V. Metal works, machinery, etc	60,538	66,472	68,839		65.368	65,850
VI. Connected with food and drink, etc	45,623	46.812	49,882		49.266	48.272
VII. Clothing and textile fabrics, etc	83,845	84,661	84,237		78,952	80,292
VIII. Books, paper, printing and engraving	24,292	25,077	26,013	25,213	24,928	24,890
IX. Musical instruments, etc	607	628	616		515	542
X. Arms and explosives	508	899	1,240	1,674	2,028	2,571
XI. Vehicles and fittings, saddlery and har-						
ness, etc	13,294	13,400	13,913		12,350	12,00
XII. Ship and boat building and repairing	2,920	3,821	4,216		6,097	4,60
XIII. Furniture, bedding and upholstery	9,480	10,405	10,462		8,961	8,710
XIV. Drugs, chemicals and by-products	4,165	4,381	4.328		4,601	4,738
XV. Surgical & other scientific instruments	233	238	264	282	301	293
XVI. Jewellery, timepieces, and platedware	2,142	2,302	2,170		1,878	1,83
XVII. Heat, light, and power	7,651	8,550	9,394	9,942	9,939	10,018
VIII. Leatherware, n.e.i	1,226	1,231	1,204	1,217	1,292	1,376
XIX. Minor wares, n.e.i	3.321	3,295	3.297	3,695	4,120	4,400
Total	311,710	327,456	337,101	331,728	321,071	316,759
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NUMBERS EMPLOYED IN AUSTRALIAN FACTORIES.

The total increase in the average number of hands employed from 1911 to 1916 was 5,042, or an annual average of 1,008. The greatest development took place in Classes V., VI. and XVII, the increases being 5,312; 2,649; and 2,367 respectively. Decreases occurred in Classes I., III., VII., XI and XVI.

3. Classification of Numbers Employed in each State, according to Class of Industry.—The following table shews a similar classification of employees in manufacturing industries in each State:—

AVERAGE NUMBER OF PERSONS EMPLOYED IN VARIOUS FACTORIES IN EACH STATE, 1916.

Class of Industry.	N.S.W. 1915-16.		Q'land. 1916.	S. Aus. 1915-	W. Aus. 1916.	Tas. 1916-	C'wlth
I. Treating raw material, product of							
agricul. and pastoral pursuits, etc.		3,345	641	844	267	384	9,009
II. Treating oils and fats, animal, vege-				011	-01		
table, etc	1.103	740	157	221	153	25	2,399
III. Processes in stone, clay, glass, etc.	5,470	3,822	518	1,202	401	191	11.604
IV. Working in wood	7,469	6,345	4.447	1,269	2,205	1.601	23.336
V. Metal works, machinery, etc.	27,967	19,217	6.482	8,096	2,801	1,287	65.850
VI. Connected with food and drink, etc.		13,778	13,585	3.274	1,566	1,660	48,272
VII. Clothing and textile fabrics, etc		38,041	7,526	4.654	2,289	1.316	80,292
VIII. Books, paper, printing & engraving		8,881	2,962	1,835	1,118	726	24,890
IX. Musical instruments, etc	381	145		1,000	1,110		542
X. Arms and explosives	1,243	1,324		4			2,571
XI. Vehicles and fittings, saddlery, and		1,041		-		•••	2,011
harness, etc	4.049	4.589	1.169	1,275	514	410	12.006
XII. Ship and boat building & repairing		1,085	118	125	22	32	4,605
XIII. Furniture, bedding, and upholstery		2,689	1,091	305	381	286	8,716
XIV. Drugs, chemicals, and by-products	1,691	1,860	77	694	394	22	4,738
XV. Surgical and other scientific instru-		1,000	1	0.01			1
ments	115	115	37	6	20		293
XVI. Jewellery, timepieces, & platedware		825	114	116	61		1.835
XVII. Heat, light, and power	3,771	4,012	747	844	300	344	10,018
XVIII. Leatherware, n.e.i.	582	604	139	24	27		1,376
XIX. Minor wares, n.e.i	1,414	2,417	173	192	157		4,400
Total	116,401	113,834	39,983	25,496	12,676	8,362	316,752

The largest number employed in any particular class in the Commonwealth was in Class VII., in which there were 80,292 employees, or 25.35 per cent. of the whole number. The class affording employment to the smallest number of hands was Class XV., in which there were 293 hands, or 0.09 per cent. of the total number of employees. Classes VI., VII., and VIII. comprise those industries in which female labour is largely employed. (See § 4.5 hereof.)

4. Classification of Numbers Employed in each State according to Nature of Employment.—In the following table the average numbers of persons employed in each State are classified according to the nature of their employment:—

AVERAGE NUMBER OF PERSONS EMPLOYED	IN EACH STATE, CLASSIFIED
ACCORDING TO NATURE OF EM	PLOYMENT, 1916.

	Average Number of Persons Employed.									
State.	Working Pro- prietors.	Managers and Overseers	Account- ants and Clerks.	Engine- drivers and Firemen.	Workers, Skilled & Unskilled inFactory Mill or Workshop	Carters, Messen- gers and Others.	Total.			
N. S. Wales, 1915-16 Victoria, 1915 Queensland, 1916 South Australia, 1915 W. Australia, 1916 Tasmania, 1916	3,959 5,366 1,473 1,243 520 396	3,711 3,347 1,435 852 545 371	$\begin{array}{r} 4,821\\ 4,062\\ 1,846\\ 1,098\\ 549\\ 412 \end{array}$	2,798 1,685 1,442 542 362 299	98,176 95,811 31,827 21,209 10,248 6,575	2,936 3,563 1,960 552 452 309	116,401 113,834 39,983 25,496 12,676 8,362			
Commonwealth	12,957	10,261	12,788	7,128	263,846	9,772	316,752			

Including out-workers.

NUMBERS EMPLOYED IN AUSTRALIAN FACTORIES.

5. Classification of Factories according to Number of Hands Employed.— (i.) The number of factories in each State classified according to number of hands employed, and the average number of hands employed therein are shewn in the following table :—

CLASSIFICATION OF FACTORIES IN EACH STATE ACCORDING TO NUMBER OF HANDS EMPLOYED, 1916.

	N.S.W. 915-16.	Victoria. 1915.	Q'land. 1916.	S. Aust. 1915.	W. Aust. 1916.	Tas. 1916.	C wealth
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Under 4		965	1,148	315	199	183	138	2,948
4		570	623	179	177	85	59	1,693
5 to 10		1,701	1,805	577	468	254	214	5.019
11 to 20		908	827	310	187	121	68	2,421
21 to 50		652	.608	238	139	83	60	1,780
51 to 100		211	214	83	52	26	20	606
Over 100	•••	203	188	80	44	19	9	543
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Total		5,210	5,413	1,782	1,266	771	568	15,010

NUMBER OF FACTORIES.

AVERAGE NUMBER OF HANDS EMPLOYED.

	1		1	1	1	1	1	1
Under 4		2,207	2,635	733	477	372	289	6,713
4		2,280	2,492	716	708	340	236	6,772
5 to 10		11,727	12,390	3,981	3,262	1,773	1,492	34,625
11 to 20		13,160	12,011	4,557	2,647	1,782	996	35,153
21 to 50		20,314	19,621	7,363	4,369	2,601	1,848	56,116
51 to 100		14,659	14,693	6,041	3,548	1,704	1,346	41,991
Over 100		52,054	49,992	16,592	10,485	4,104	2,155	135,382
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Total		116,401	113,834	39,983	25,496	12,676	8,362	316,752

(ii.) Reference to the following table will shew the tendency for the proportionate number of hands employed in the larger establishments to still further increase and for that of the smaller factories to diminish. During the quinquennial period under discussion, the ratio of hands in factories employing under 21 hands to total number of employees in all factories shews a decline from 27.45 per cent. in 1911 to 26.29 in 1916. A heavier falling-off appears in establishments employing from 21 to 100 hands, viz., 34.21 to 30.97 per cent. The larger establishments with 101 hands and upwards during the same period exhibit an increase from 38.34 to 42.74 per cent. of total employed. The average number of hands per establishment in 1911 was 21.56, and in 1916, 21.10.

		Esta	blishmer	ats Emp	loying on	the Ave	rage	
Year.	20 hand und	ds and ler.	21 to 100	bands.	101 han upwa	ds and ards.	Total.	
	Es- tablish- ments.		Es- tablish- ments.	Hands.	Es- tablish- ments.		Es- tablish- ments.	Hands.
1911—								
Number Average per establishment	11,362	85,562 7.53	2,567	106,624 41.54	526 	$119,524 \\ 227.23$	14,455	311,710 21.56
Percentage on total	78.60	27.45	17.76	34.21	3.64	38.34	100.00	100.00
1912— Number	11,660	87,231	2,673	111,126	545	129,099 236.88	14,878	327,456 22.01
Average per establishment Percentage on total	78.37	7.48 26.63	17.97	41.57 33.94	3.66	39.43	100.00	100.00
1913— Number	12,280	90,005	2,676	109,704	580	137,392	15,536	337,101
Average per establishment Percentage on total	79.04	7.33 26.70	17.23	41.00 32,54	3.73	236.88 40.76	100.00	21.70 100.00
1914—								
Number Average per establishment	12,284	88,071	2,589	106,584		136,924 247.15		331.579 21.49
Percentage on total	79.62	26.56	16.79	32.14		41.30		100.00
1915—								
Number Average per establishment	12,106	84,545 6,99	2,445	101,722 41.60		134,804 249,18		321,071
Percentage on total	80.22	26.33	16.20	31.68	3.58	41.99		100.00
1916— Number	12,081	83,263	2,386	98,107	543	135,382		316,752
Average per establishment Percentage on total	80.49	6.89 26.29	15.90	41.11 30.97	 3.61	249.32 42.74	100.00	21.10 100.00

CLASSIFICATION OF FACTORIES IN THE COMMONWEALTH ACCORDING TO NUMBER OF HANDS EMPLOYED DURING THE YEARS 1911 to 1916.

6. Outworkers.—The term "outworker" or "homeworker" has acquired a special meaning in connection with manufacturing industries, and technically embraces only those to whom work is given out by factory owners to be wrought upon in the employees' own homes. Individuals working for themselves are not included. The following table gives particulars of the average number of outworkers connected with factories in each State during each year from 1911 to 1916 inclusive :—

Year.		N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	C'wealth.
1911]	784	1,906	158	· 88	15	96	3,047
1912		895	1,959	140	71	14	86	3,165
1913		724	1,910	522	54	7	$\cdot 72$	3,289
1914		582†	1,737	117	58	8	58	2,560
1915		5821	1,473	92	44	6	70	2,267
1916‡		577	1,473	99	44	6	35	2,234

NUMBER OF	OUTWORKERS*	CONNECTED	WITH	FACTORIES,	1911 to 1916.

* In all tables relating to number of hands employed in factories, outworkers are included. † Year ended 30th June, 1915. ‡ See note ‡ first table this section.

The Factories Acts in each State contain provisions regulating the employment of outworkers. Generally records of out-work must be kept by factory proprietors, specifying the names and remuneration of workers, and stating the places where the work is done. Further particulars are given in a later part of this book. (See Section XXVII. Industrial Unionism and Industrial Legislation.)

§ 4. Sex Distribution in Factories.

1. Employment of Females in Factories.—In all the States the employment of female labour in factories is now regulated by Act of Parliament. In Victoria the first Act dealing with the subject was passed in the year 1873, and provided that no female should be employed for more than eight hours a day without the permission of the Chief . Secretary. The number of working hours for women is now limited to forty-eight per week in all the States, overtime being allowed only with the permission of the Departments, and then to a limited extent. The maximum periods of continuous labour, and the intervals of cessation therefrom, are also prescribed by the several Acts. Further reference is made to the restrictions regarding the employment of females in a later part of this book. (See Section XXVII. Industrial Unionism and Industrial Legislation.)

2. Distribution of Employees according to Sex, 1911 to 1916.—In New South Wales the ratio of the number of females employed in factories to the number of males during 1886 was about one to seven; in 1891 one to six; in 1903 it became about one to four; and is now just below one to three. In Victoria the ratio of females to males during the year 1886 was about one to five. Five years later (1891) it was somewhat less, but in 1896 had increased to about one woman to three men, and at present is slightly under one to two. In the remaining States, with the exception of Tasmania, the ratios at the latest date were less than one female employed to every four males, and in Tasmania slightly less than one to five. The proportion for the whole of the Commonwealth was more than one to three. The employment of women is, however, largely confined to a few trades.

The great prosperity in clothing and textile industries is one of the main causes of increase in female employment. Certain trades are specifically known as women's trades, such as clothing and textile trades, preparation of food, book-binding, and lighter work connected with the drug trade, as, for example, wrapping. In common also with commercial establishments, a considerable number of factories employ women as clerks and typists.

(i.) Average Number of Males and Females Employed, 1911 to 1916. The following table shews the average number of male and female employees in factories in each State from 1911 to 1916:—

State.	1911.	1912.	1913.	1914.	1915.	1916.†
		MAL	ES.			
New South Wales Victoria Queensland South Australia Western Australia Tasmania	82,083 73,573 29,832 22,629 13,212 8,737	88,178 77,565 33,254 23,083 13,805 8,391	93,036 80,054 34,715 23,323 14,625 8,354	*90,394 79,772 35,717 22,111 14,996 7,613	*90,394 75,971 34,387 20,772 12,290 7,161	87,724 75,971 32,235 20,772 10,259 7,046
Commonwealth	230,066	244,276	254,107	250,603	240,975	234,007

AVERAGE NUMBER OF MALES AND FEMALES EMPLOYED IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES, 1911 to 1916.

Year ended 30th June, 1915. † See note ‡ first table this section.

State.	1911.	1912.	1913.	1914.	1915	1916.+
		FEMA	LES.			
New South Wales Victoria Queensland South Australia Western Australia Tasmania	$\begin{array}{c} 26,541\\ 38,375\\ 7,324\\ 5,256\\ 2,587\\ 1,561 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{r} 27,383\\ 38,543\\ 7,694\\ 5,417\\ 2,577\\ 1,566\end{array}$	27,364 38,690 7,648 5,188 2,674 1,430	*26,217 38,627 7,565 4,763 2,644 1,309	*26,217 37,863 7,692 4,724 2,341 1,259	28,677 37,863 7,748 4,724 2,417 1,316
Commonwealth	81,644	83,180	82,994	81,125	80,096	82,745

AVERAGE NUMBER OF MALES AND FEMALES EMPLOYED IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES, 1911 to 1916—Continued.

* Year ended 30th June, 1915. [†] See note ‡ first table this section.

It will be seen that during the years specified there has been for the whole Commonwealth a total increase in the number of male employees of 3,941, or an annual average of 788, and in the number of female employees a total increase of 1,101, or an annual average of 220. The decline in numbers employed since 1913 is, of course, due in a large measure to the disorganising effect of the war.

(ii.) Average Number of Males and Females Employed per 10,000 of Mean Population, 1911 to 1916. The following table shews the average number of male and female employees per 10,000 of the mean male and female population respectively in each State from 1911 to 1916 :—

AVERAGE NUMBER	OF	MALE AN	D FEMALE	FACTORY	EMPLOYEES	PER 10,000 OF
MEAN MALE	AND	FEMALE	POPULATI	ON RESPE	CTIVELY, 191	1 to 1916.

State.	1911.	1912.	1913.	1914.	1915.	1916.†
		MA	LES.	,		
New South Wales	947	967	979	*935	*935	920†
Victoria	1,118	1,145	1,151	1,119	1,077	1,077
Queensland	892	970	982	978	932	910
South Australia	1,084	1,077	1,062	1,002	960	960+
Western Australia	805	802	823	826	696	615
Tasmania	900	854	823	741	702	706
Commonwealth	986	1,009	1,015	981	948	936†
		FEM.	ALES.			
New South Wales	334	332	319	· *293	* 293	313†
Victoria	. 579	567	555	543	525	525†
Queensland	262	266	256	244	242	239
South Australia	260	261	. 242	217	212	212†
Western Australia	211	199	196	186	161	163
Tasmania	167	168	151	137	129	134
Commonwealth	.379	374	361	342	333	340†

* Year ended 30th June, 1915.

+ See note ‡ first table this section.

SEX DISTRIBUTION IN FACTORIES.

3. Rate of Increase for each Sex .- The percentages of annual increase during the years 1912 to 1916 in the average number of males and females employed in manufacturing industries in the several States and the Commonwealth are shewn below :----

State.	191	1-12. 1912-13.	1913-14.	1914-15.	1915-16. †
		MALES.			
New South Wales Victoria Queensland South Australia Western Australia Tasmania Commonwealth	$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$		% 2.84* 0.35 2.89 5.20 2.54 8.87 1.38	$ \begin{vmatrix} \% \\ 2.84^{*} \\ -4.76 \\ -3.72 \\ -6.06 \\ -18.04 \\ -5.94 \\ -4.00 \end{vmatrix} $	$\begin{array}{c} \% \\ -2.951 \\ -4.761 \\ -6.26 \\ -6.061 \\ -16.53 \\ -1.61 \\ -2.891 \end{array}$
	<u> </u>	FEMALES.		<u> </u>	

PERCENTAGE OF ANNUAL INCREASE IN NUMBERS OF MALE AND FEMALE EMPLOYEES, 1912 to 1916.

New South Wales Victoria Queensland South Australia Western Australia Tasmania	···· ···	0.44 4.99 3.06 0.39	0.07 0.38 0.60 4.23 3.76 8.68	$-4.19^{*} \\ -0.16 \\ -1.08 \\ -8.19 \\ -1.12 \\ -8.46$	$\begin{array}{r} -4.19^{*} \\ -1.98 \\ 1.68 \\ -0.82 \\ -11.46 \\ -3.82 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{r} 9.38 \\ -1.98 \\ 0.73 \\ -0.82 \\ 3.25 \\ 4.55 \end{array}$
Commonwealth		1.88	0.22	2.25	-1.27	3.31†

* Eighteen months ended 30th June, 1915. Note.—The minus (--) sign indicates decrease.

4. Ratio of Female Employment in Factories .- The extent to which females are employed in the factories of the Commonwealth may perhaps be best shewn by giving the masculinity of employees for each State for a series of years. The following table furnishes particulars for each of the years 1911 to 1916 inclusive :---

EXCESS OF MALES OVER FEMALES PER 100 OF BOTH SEXES COMBINED, 1911 to 1916.

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	C'wealth
1911	51.1	31.5	60.6	· 62.3	67.3	69.7	47.6
1912	52.6	33.6	62.4	62.0	68.6	68.6	49.2
1913	54.5	34.8	63.9	63.6	69.1	70.8	50.8
1914	*55.0	34.8	65.0	64.6	70.0	70.7	51.1
1915	*55.0	33.5	63.4	62.9	68.0	70.1	50.1
1916	+50.7	†33.5	61.2	+62.9	61.9	68.5 ·	+47.8

* Year ended 30th June, 1915.

† See note ‡ first table this section.

SEX DISTRIBUTION IN FACTORIES.

The proportion of the sexes has not materially changed during recent years, the 1915 figure for the whole of the Commonwealth, 50.1, being almost identical with that of 1905, 50.3, while the 47.8 for 1916 accords closely with 47.4 in 1909 and 47.6 in 1911. The tables given in the succeeding paragraph shew that the comparatively high proportions of females have been due not so much to the incursion of female labour into what may be termed men's trades, as to the activity in those trades in which women are ordinarily engaged, more especially in dressmaking, millinery, etc.

5. Employment of Females in Particular Industries.—The employment of women in manufacturing industries in Australia is largely confined to a few trades, of which the more important are comprised in Classes VI., VII., and VIII., viz., in connection with food, drink, etc., clothing and textile fabrics, and books, paper, printing, etc. The following table shews the average number of females employed in each of these classes in each State, and also shews the percentages of the average number so employed on the total average number of females employed in all classes of factories :—

AVERAGE NUMBER OF FEMALES EMPLOYED IN PARTICULAR INDUSTRIES, AND PERCENTAGES ON AVERAGE TOTAL EMPLOYED, 1916.

Class.	N.S.W. 1915-16	Vict. 1915.	Q'land. 1916.	S. Aust. 1915.	W.Aust. 1916.	Tas. 1916-	Cwlth.
	AVERAG	HE NUM	BER.				с.
VI. Food, drink, etc VII. Clothing and textile fabrics VIII. Books, paper, printing, etc. All other classes	3,896 19,218 2,524 3,039	3,603 28,262 2,378 3,620	864 5,745 692 447	442 3,434 525 323	200 1,792 253 172	255 861 103 97	9,260 59,312 6,475 7,698
Total	28,677	37,863	7,748	4,724	2,417	1,316	82,745

PERCENTAGES ON TOTAL AVERAGE FEMALE EMPLOYEES...

VI. Food, drink, etc	13.59	9.52	11.15	9.36	8.27	19.38	11.19
VII. Clothing and textile fabrics	67.01	74.64	74.15	72.69	74.14	65.42	71.68
VIII. Books, paper, printing, etc.	8.80	6.28	8.93	11.11	10.47	7.83	7.83
All other classes	10.60	9.56	5.77	6.84	7.12	7.37	9.30
. Total	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00

It will be seen that by far the greater part of the total number of females employed in factories work in one or other of the three classes of industry indicated, Class VII. being the most important. The classification of the employment of females in the several industries in that class, and the relation of their number to that of the males so employed, are shewn in the following table:—

CHILD LABOUR IN FACTORIES.

	New	South W 1915-16.	ales.*		Victoria 1915.	*	Other States.*			
· Industry.	Males.	Femis.	Femi- ninity. †	Males.	Femis.	Femi- ninity. †	Males.	Femls.	Femi- ninity. †	
Woollen & tweed mills Boots and shoes	501 2,540	668 1,659	14.29	960 4,317	1,103 2,530	6.93 -26.10		397 836	14.24 - 26.54	
Slop clothing } Clothing (tailoring)	2,681	7,863	1	2,278	7,969	55.54	1,766	5,675	52.53	
Dressmaking & millin'y Dyeworks and cleaning	138 68	5,005 48	94.63 -17.24		7,851 86	93.68 4.24		3,110 16	98.53 20.00	
Furriers Hats and caps	$\frac{22}{515}$	37 1,044	25.42 33.93		147 984	38.68 19.20		 128	 24.27	
Waterproof and oilskin Shirts, ties, and scarfs	51 255	149 2,464	49.00 81.24		170 6,795	53.15 88.28		 1,509	 89.81	
Rope and cordage Tents and tarpaulins	290 183	11 263	-92.68 17.94		371 132	-17.28 -4.00		85 69	- 28.27 - 13.75	
Other	4	7	27.27	13	124	81.02		7	100.00	
Total Class VII	7,248	19,218	45.23	9,779	28,262	48.59	3,953		49.91	

FEMALE EMPLOYMENT IN EACH INDUSTRY IN CLASS VII. DURING 1916.

* See note : first table this section. † Excess of females over males per 100 of both sexes combined. NOTE.—Minus sign (-) denotes excess of males over females.

§ 5. Child Labour in Factories.

1. Conditions of Child Labour.—The employment of young persons in factories in each State of the Commonwealth is regulated by Acts of Parliament in a similar manner to the employment of female labour. Excepting under special circumstances, children under a certain age may not be employed in factories. The minimum age in all the States is 14, with the exception of South Australia, where it is 13 years, and Victoria, where the minimum for females is 15 years. Other restrictions on the employment of young persons in factories are more particularly referred to in a later part of this book. (See Section XXVII. Industrial Unionism and Industrial Legislation.) The general object of the restrictions imposed is to assure that a proper period shall be devoted to primary education, and that the early years of toil shall not exhaust the worker before the attainment of full growth.

2. Average Number of Children Employed in Factories, 1911 to 1916.—In the statistical compilations of the various States the term "child" may be taken to denote any person under sixteen years of age. The following table shews the average number of children of each sex employed in manufacturing industries in each State during the years 1911 to 1916 :—

State.	1911.	1912.	1913.	1914.	1915.	1916.†
·····	•	MA	LES.			
New South Wales	2,474	2,225	2,385	*2,437	*2,437	2.578
Victoria	2,623	2,652	2,743	2,898	3,355	3,355
Queensland	1,176	1,114	1,122	1,148	1,247	1,197
South Australia	999	1,078	1,122	1,064	1,068	1.068
Western Australia	368	356	346	381	414	398
Tasmania	280	322	283	213	262	217
Commonwealth	7,920	7,747	8,001	8,141	8,783	8.813

AVERAGE NUMBER OF CHILDREN EMPLOYED IN FACTORIES, 1911 to 1916.

· CHILD LABOUR IN FACTORIES.

State.	1911.	1912.	1913.	1914.	1915.	1916. †
		Fem	ALES.		-	
New South Wales	2,267	2,093	2,086	*2,326	*2,326	2,605
Victoria	1,937	1,740	1,840	1,816	2,197	2,197
Queensland	818	764	701	713	835	745
South Australia	555	704	611	522	591	591
Western Australia	293	334	360	361	311	271
Tasmania	131	121	141	77	97	102
Commonwealth	6,001	5,756	5,739	5,815	6,357	6,511
		TO	TAL.			
New South Wales	4,741	4,318	4,471	*4,763	*4,763	5,183
Victoria	4,560	4,392	4,583	4,714	5,552	5,552
Queensland	1,994	1,878	1,823	1,861	2,082	1,942
South Australia	1,554	1,782	1,733	1,586	1,659	1,659
Western Australia	661	690	706	742	725	669
Tasmania	411	443	424	290	359	319
Commonwealth	13,921	13,503	13,740	13,956	15,140	15,324

AVERAGE NUMBER OF CHILDREN EMPLOYED IN FACTORIES, 1911 TO 1916.—Continued:

* Year ended 30th June, 1915.

† See note I first table this section.

3. Percentage of Children to Total Persons Employed.—The foregoing table shews a general increase in several of the States in the number of children employed in factories during the past quinquennial period. These increases for the first two years, however, when examined in conjunction with the total number of persons employed, shew a fairly regular decrease in the percentage of child labour. This decrease is particularly noticeable in Queensland, the percentage falling from 5.37 in 1911 to 4.30 in 1913. In 1914 there was both an actual and a percentage increase in several of the States, and in all of them during 1915. The 1916 figures shew an actual increase for New South Wales only, but percentage increases for New South Wales and Western Australia, while Queensland and Tasmania shew decreases both actual and per cent. of total employees.

PERCENTAGE OF CHILDREN IN FACTORIES TO TOTAL NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES, 1911 TO 1916.

State.	1911.	· 1912.	1913.	1914.	1915.	1916. +
	%	%	8	%	8	%
New South Wales	4.36	3.74	3.71	*4.08	*4.08	4.45
Victoria	4.07	3.78	3.86	3.98	4.88	4.88
Queensland	5.37	4.59	4.30	4.30	4.95	4.86
South Australia	5.57	6.25	6.08	5.90	6.51	6.51
Western Australia	4.18	4.21	4.08	4.21	4.96	5.28
Tasmania	3.99	4.45	4.33	3.25	4.26	3.81
Commonwealth	4.47	4.12	4.08	4.21	4.72	4.84

* Year ended 30th June. 1915. † See note 1 first table this section.

4. Industries Employing Child Labour.—The employment of children is largely confined to a limited number of industries, the most important of which are specified in the table below, which shews the average number of children of each sex employed. in the several industries indicated in each State :—

			5-16.		oria. 115.	Q'la 19	ind. 16.	S. A 19	ust. 15.		A. 16.	T 19	as. 16.	C ' w	'lth.
Class.	Industry.	м.	F.	М.	F.	м.	F.	М.	F.	м.	F.	М.	F.	м.	F.
III.	Bricks, tiles, pottery											· •			
IV.	and earthenware Joinery, boxes, cases,	64		68	4	4		22		2		6		166	4
v.	etc Agricultural implem'ts	73 18	ï	65 75	4	28 10	····	24 35		20 3		5		215 141	4
••	Engin'ring, ironworks, and foundries	212	5	353	1	75	1	92		57		9		798	7
••	Brass and copper Galvanised iron-work-	11		93		2		33				3		142	
v	ing and tinsmithing Railway carriages, rail- way & tramway work-	77	22	124	53	71	2	87				4		363	77
VI.	shops Biscuits, cakes, etc Confectionery	106 142 62	108 90	221 55 24	 55 52	19 12 26	1 4 38	99 16 28	 9 30	10 26 8	17 6	20	 5	455 271 148	1 198 216
**	Meat & fish preserving Jams. pickles, sauces,			24		114		20 7						140	1
••	etc	17	26	26	22	24	'	22	29	2	2	19	6	110	85
••	dials, etc Tobacco, cigars, etc	18 87	3 110	53 33	28	50 3	3 5	11	1	8 1		4		144 126	9 126
vй.	Woollen, tweed, and cotton mills	30	101	155	122	16	31	16	16	_	-			220	286
••	Boots and shoes Clothing (tailoring and	163	220	208	236	47	54	39	40	13		14	19	484	578
••	slop) Dressmaking and mil-	63	514	103	310	55	233	23	135	16	36	2	12	262	1,240
"	linery	4 28	484 79	13 54	446 30	12	145 5	 6	133		104		31	18 90	1,343
 VIÏI.	Shirts, ties, scarfs, etc. Electrotyping, printing	19	234	14	436	7	97	3	17		36			43	
,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	and binding Paper making, paper	298	198	432	120	199	74	81	21	59	32	40	5	1,109	450
XI.	boxes, etc Coach & wagon build-	55	117	25	46	4	8	26	76	4	7			114	254
	ing, etc Cycles and motors	52 25	1	96 79		26 27	1	36 42		7 16		14 15	:	231 204	2 1
xıïı.	Billiard tables, cabinet making and furniture			70		71	2	24	1	20		4		204	5
			l		<u> </u>	· · ·	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	1 20	(···	*		200	

NUMBER OF CHILDREN ENGAGED IN VARIOUS INDUSTRIES, 1916.

5. Apprenticeship.—It is obvious that the age of apprenticeship in each State must be limited by the conditions governing the employment of child labour in factories. The early Apprentices Acts in some of the States are apparently in conflict on this point with the Factories Acts. The statutes limiting the age at which children may begin to work may be regarded as applicable by way of preventing too early apprenticeship, as may also those directing that education be continued up to a certain age or standard.

Indentures must be entered into specifying the conditions of the employment. Apprenticeships may not exceed seven years in duration, and usually become inoperative at twenty-one years of age, or in the case of women, on marriage. In Tasmania, however, the section of the Wages Boards Act 1910 which deals with apprentices has been amended to provide for the issue of licenses by the Minister to enable persons to complete their term of apprenticeship after the age of twenty-one if necessary.

The Arbitration Courts and Wages Boards have power to limit the number of apprentices which may be taken into a factory and specify the term of apprenticeship. No general statistics of the number of apprentices in Australia have been collected up to the present time. Other enactments relating to child labour are referred to in Section XXVII. of this book, *Industrial Unionism and Industrial Legislation*.

§6. Amount of Wages Paid and Value of Production.

1. Introduction.—The importance of the manufacturing industries of the Commonwealth is indicated by the fact that the total value of the output for 1916 was $\pounds 172,574,845$, of which amount the sum of $\pounds 105,180,445$ represents the value of the raw materials used. The difference between these two amounts, viz., $\pounds 67,894,400$, represents the amount by which the value of the raw materials was enhanced in the process of manufacture. The total amount of salaries and wages paid in factories during 1916 was £33,828,840.

2. Amount of Salaries and Wages Paid.—The total amount of salaries and wages paid during the year in various classes of factories in the Commonwealth (excluding all sums drawn by working proprietors) is shewn in the following table:—

AMOUNT OF SALARIES AND WAGES PAID IN FACTORIES IN COMMONWEALTH, 1916.*

Class of Industry.	N.S.W. 1915-16.	Vict. 1915.	Q'land. 1916.	S. Aust. 1915.	W. Aust. 1916.	Tas. 1916-	C'wltb.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
I. Treating raw material, pro-			-	-			-
duct of agricultural and		1		1			•
pastoral pursuits, etc	392,654	354,008	79,125	67,682	20,650	21,508	935,627
II. Treating oils and fats,		1		1			
animal, vegetable, etc		82,628	16,664	26,088	21,244	2,950	269,252
III. Processes in stone, clay,]		1.			
glass, etc	701,306	464,874	51,348	131,752	50,544	15,008	1,414,832
IV. Working in wood	839,666	710,957	475,480	140,698	346,729	164,923	2,678,453
V. Metal works, machinery, etc.		2,399,009	851,755	1,094,901	430,061	181,836	9,022,975
VI. Connected with food and							
	1,618,761	1,454,381	1,506,120	319,685	204,849	153,695	5,257,491
VII. Clothing and textile fabrics,							
etc		2,449,548	464,492	277,858	162,577	84,893	5,373,010
VIII. Books, paper, printing and							
engraving	1,105,061	994,229	353,548		162,643	89,792	2,889,435
IX. Musical instruments, etc	51,297	15,692		1,692			68,681
X. Arms and explosives	239,457	136,660		366			376,483
XI. Vehicles and fittings, sad-				101 000		07 450	1 000 000
dlery and harness, etc	449,609	443,661	98,240	121,839	58,440	37,450	1,209,239
XII. Ship and boat building and		110.001		10 100	0.000	0.407	701 010
repairing	520,174	143,261	12,711	18,100	3,579	3,487	701,312
XIII. Furniture, bedding and	007 000	054 000	110 150		477 6773	05 500	900.586
upholstery	385,808	254,626	110,156	76,656	47,571	25,769	900,000
XIV. Drugs, chemicals, and by- products	170.526	190,617	5,772		67.077	1,329	511.750
XV. Surgical and other scientific		190,017	5,112	76,429	01,011	1,529	511,750
instruments	13.410	10,394	3,408	917	1.379		29,508
XVI. Jewellery, timepieces, and		10,594	0,400	911	1,919		29,000
plotodimeno	00 046	83,194	10.754	13,648	6.863	2,828	207.133
		553,368	118,460	134.427	58,115	47,590	1.444.004
WATTER T and have been and a	FC 000	46.091	11.764	2,126	1.827		118.608
TTT MAL	1 100 000	249,147	11,457	16,104	12,648	2,409	
ALA. Minor wares, n.e.1	120,090	230,141	11,901	10,104	12,010	2,100	320,301
Total	10 110 010	11 090 945	1 101 054	0 POF 190	1 ere 700	025 447	33,828,840
LU621	13,413,840	11,000,0390	4,101,204	2,705,130	1,000,188	030,407	33,040,040

* Excluding all amounts drawn by working proprietors.

The maximum amount of salaries and wages paid in any particular class was in Class V., the amount being $\pounds 9,022,975$, or 26.67 per cent. on the total amount; the minimum amount was in Class XV., $\pounds 29,508$, or 0.09 per cent. on the total amount. The State in which the largest amount was paid was New South Wales. The following statement shews the total amount of salaries and wages paid, and the average amount paid per employee in each State, during each of the years 1911 to 1916; the figures are. exclusive of the amounts drawn from the business by working proprietors :—

AMOUNT OF SALARIES AND WAGES PAID AND AVERAGE AMOUNT PER ANNUM. PAID PER EMPLOYEE, 1911 to 1916.

Year.	Particulars.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	C'wlth.
		£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1911	Total amount paid	10,047,656	8,911,019	3,113,835	2,645,386	1,982,883	827,592	27,528,371
	Average per employee	96.35	83.48	87.15	99.56	129.80	84.47	92.25
1912	Total amount paid	11,592,052	10,102,244	3,699,065	2,869,653	2,169,144	855,334	31,287,492
	Average per employee				105.62	136.67	90.40	99.74
1913	Total amount paid				3,034,537	2,215,187	883,452	33,606,087
	Average per employee				111.66	132.31	95.18	104.14
1914*	Total amount paid	12,667,721			2,946,296	2,342,428	835,829	34,103,703
	Average per employee			100.91	115.31	137.30	98.82	107.36
1915*					2,705,130	1,791,276	783,547	33,210,654
	Average per employee			104.21	111.53	127.31	97.82	108.00
1916†	Total amount paid	13,413,845			2,705,130	1,656,799	835,467	33,828,840
	Average per employee	119.29	101.75	108.13	111.53	136.29	104.88	111.35.

* New South Wales figures for year ended 30th June, 1915. + See note ‡ first table this section.

AMOUNT OF WAGES PAID AND VALUE OF PRODUCTION.

In comparing the figures in the preceding table, regard should be paid to the nature of certain industries which are carried on to a greater extent in some States than in others (see § 2 hereof). In Victoria, for instance, there are a large number of hands employed in Class VII., of whom a large percentage are women and children. The position occupied by Western Australia is principally due to the high ratio of male to female employees in that State.

It will be noted that there has been a persistent increase in the average wage paid per employee in each of the States during the period under review. Taking the Commonwealth as a whole, during the period 1911-16 there has been an increase of 22.88 per cent. on the total amount of wages paid, and 19.05 per cent. on the average paid per employee.

The following tables shew the approximate amount paid in salaries and wages to males and females in each class of industry in each State during 1916, and the total amounts paid to employees of each sex in New South Wales, Victoria, South Australia and Tasmania during the last six years, and in Queensland and Western Australia during the last five years :--

AMOUNT* OF SALARIES AND WAGES PAID TO MALE AND FEMALE HANDS EMPLOYED IN EACH CLASS OF INDUSTRY IN THE SEVERAL STATES OF THE CUMMONWEALTH DURING 1916.

Class of Industry.	N.S.W. 1915-16.	Vie. 1915.	Q'1and. 1916.	S. Aust. 1915.	W. A. 1916.	Tas. 1916.	C'wealth.
		MALES	5.				
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
I. Treating raw material, product of agricultural and pastoral pursuits,	1						
etc II. Treating oils and fats.	387,507	353,137	78,740	66,834	20,650	21,478	928,346
animal, vegetable, etc. III. Processes in stone. clay.	107,300	78,171	16,196	25,321	21,144	2,662	250,694
III. Processes in stone, city, glass, etc IV. Working in wood	697,885 833,980	460,568 706,349	51,013 471,414	131,461 139,507		14 988 163,774	1,405,923 2,661,240
V. Metal works, machinery, etc.	4,040,439	2,382,244	847,380	1,091,705		181,419	1
VI. Connected with food and drink. etc.	1,414,497	1,269,686	1.464.207	304,182	195,470	140,701	4,788,743
VII. Clothing and textile fa- brics, etc.	916,104	1,081,185	209,323	129,311	59,613	44,763	2,440,299
VIII Books, paper, printing and engraving	971,871	874,728	318,258	165,073	148,501	85,434	2,564,165
IX. Musical instruments, etc. X. Arms and explosives	49,475 239,277	15,397 83,599		1,692 366			66,564 323,242
XI. Vehicles and fittings, saddlery and harness,							
etc XII. Ship and boat building	442,474	434,312	95,557	120,296	57,229	36,020	1,185,888
and repairing XIII. Furniture, bedding and	519,818	143,261	12,711	18,100	3,579	3,487	700,956
upholstery XIV. Drugs, chemicals and	359,230	239,247	104,900	75,522	46,612	24,785	850,296
by-products XV. Surgical and other scien-	137,106	, 171,964	3,966	73,461	64,692	1,209	452,398
tific instruments XVI. Jewellery, timepieces and	11,814	9,863	3,313	917	1,279		27,186
platedware XVII. Heat, light and power	83,429 528,891	79,178 524,570	9,808 117,150	13,255 133,050	6,838 58,000	2 828 47,252	195,336 1,408,913
XVIII. Leatherware, n.e.i XIX. Minor wares, n.e.i	45,288 101,743	35,242 219,151	9,972 9,580	1,656 14,870	1,617 10,773	1,989	93,775 358,106
Total	11,868,028	9,161,852	3,823,488	2,506,579	1,520,760	772,789	29,673,496

* Exclusive of amount drawn by working proprictors.

AMOUNT* OF SALARIES AND WAGES PAID TO MALE AND FEMALE HANDS EMPLOYED IN EACH CLASS OF INDUSTRY, Etc.—Continued.

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	Class of Industry.	N.S.W. 1915-16.	Vic. 1915.	Q'land. 1916-	S. Aust. 1915.	W. A. 1916	Tas, 1916.	C'wealth
			FEMALE	s				
		£	£	£	£	£	£	£
I.	Treating raw material.	-	-		~	-	-	
	product of agricultural							
	& pastoral pursuits, etc.	5,147	871	385	848		30	7,281
II.	Treating oils and fats,							
	animal, vegetable, etc.	12,478	4,457	468	767	100	288	18,558
III.	Processes in stone, clay,							1
	glass, etc	3,421	4,306	335	291	536	20	8,909
11.	Working in wood	5,686	4,608	4,066	1,191	513	1,149	17,213
٧.	Metal works, machinery.	04.054	10 505		0.000			
7	etc	24,974	16,765	4,375	3,196	1,822	417	51,549
V1.	Connected with food and		104 005	41.010	15 500	0.070	10.004	400 540
3777	drink, etc Clothing and textile fa-	204,264	184,695	41,913	15,503	9,379	12,994	468,748
V 11.	brics, etc	1.017.538	1,368,363	255,169	148,547	102,964	40 190	2,932,711
VIII	Books, paper, printing		1,000,000	200,109	140,041	102,904	40,130	2,952,011
v III.	and engraving	133,190	119.501	35.290	19,089	13,842	4,358	325,270
тх	Musical instruments, etc.	1.822	295		15,005			2,117
X	Arms and explosives	180	53.061					53.241
	Vehicles and fittings.	100	00,001			•••	•••	00.211
	saddlery & harness, etc.	7,135	9,349	2,683	1,543	1,211	1.430	23,351
XII.	Ship and boat building	.,	-,	_,	-,010	-,	1,100	
	and repairing	356						356
XIII.	Furniture, bedding, and			1				1
	upholstery	26,578	15,379	5.256	1,134	959	984	50,290
XIV.	Drugs, chemicals, and	1	1	1	1	1		1
	by-products	33,420	18,653	1,806	2,968	2,385	120	59,352
XV.	Surgical and other scien-				[
	tific instruments	1,596	531	95		100		2,322
XVI.	Jewellery, timepieces and	a						1
******	platedware	6,417	4,016	946		25		11,797
XVII.	Heat, light, and power	3,150	28,798	1.310	1,377	118	33 8	35,091
	Leatherware, n e.i	11,512	10,849	1,792	470	210		24,833
A1A.	Minor wares, n.e.i	26,953	29,996	1.877	1,234	1,875	420	62,355
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	Total	1,525,817	1.874,493	357,766	198,551	136,039	62,678	4,155,344

* Exclusive of amount drawn by working proprietors. AMOUNT* OF SALARIES AND WAGES PAID TO MALES AND FEMALES IN FACTORIES IN CERTAIN STATES, 1911 to 1916.

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Particulars.		N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	C'wlth.
			MALES	•	÷			<u> </u>
1911. Amount paid	£	8,917,577	7,357,735	1 1	2,430,263	1	773.900	1
Per cent. on total		88.76	82.57		91.87		93.51	
Average per employee	£	114.22	106.62		113.66		93.67	
1912. Amount paid	£	10,283,733	8,388,613	3.386,191	2,647.842	2.024.318	798.098	27.528.795
Per cent. on total		88.71	83.04	91.54	92.25	93.34	93.31	87.99
Average per employee	£	122.50	115.18	106.57	121.41	152.02	100.85	118.86
1913. Amount paid	£	11,323,791	8,925,814	3,744,050	2.809.066	2.068.212	826.358	29.697.291
Per cent. on total		89.28	83.30	91.87	92.57	93.37	93.54	88.37
Average per employee	£	127.76	118.94	112.95	127.43	146.79	105.09	123.32
1914. Amount paid	£	11,296,572	9.252.336	3,880,472	2,734,603	2.199.961	782,300	30,146,244
Per cent. on total		89.18	53.35	92.14	92.81	93.92	93.60	88.40
Average per employee	£	130.98	123.84	113.39	131.21	152.31	109.24	126.86
1915.†Amount paid	£	11,296,572	9,161,852	3,886,165	2,506.579	1.667.477	723,010	29,241.655
Per cent. on total		89.18	83.02	91.94		93.09	92.27	88.05
Average per employee	£	130.98	128.76	118.03	122.92	141.93	106.97	128.02
1916.‡Amount paid		11,888,028	9,161,852	3.823.488	2,506 579	1.520.760	772,789	29,673,496
Per cent. on total		88.63	83.02	91.44		91.79	92.50	87.72
Average per employee	£	141.46	128.76	123.57		155.80	116-10	133.58
			FEMALE	s.		<u>. </u>		·
1911. Amount paid	£	1,130,079	1,553,284]	215,123	1	53,692	
Per cent. on total		11.24	17.43		8.13		6.49	
Average per employee	£	43.10	41.16		41.44	{	34.98	
1912. Amount paid	£	1,308,319	1.713.631	312.874	222.123	144.514	57,236	3.758.697
Per cent. on total		11.29	16.96	8.46	7.75	6.66	6.69	12.10
Average per employee	£	48.39	45.15	41.00	41.43	56.56	37.00	45.79
1913. Amount paid	£	1.359.593	1,788,522	331.141	225.471	146.975	57.094	3,908,796
Per cent. on total		10.72	16.70	8.13		6.63	6,46	11.63
Average per employee	£	50.29	47.01	43.66	43.94	55.42	40.24	47.74
1914.†Amount paid	£	1,371,149	1,847,604	331,017	211,693	142,467	53,529	3,957,459
Per cent. on total	•••	10.82	16.65	7.86	7.19	6.08	6.40	11.60
Average per employee	£	52.91	48.65	44.06	44.95	54.44	41.27	49.46
1915. Amount paid	£	1.371.149	1.874,493	340.470	198,551	123,799	60.537	3.968.999
Per cent. on total		10.82	16.98	8.06	7.34	6.91	7.73	11.95
Average per employee	£	52,91	50.24	44.62	42.47	53.34	48.39	50.18
1916.‡Amount paid	£		1,874,493	357,766	198.551	136,039	62,678	4,155,344
Per cent. on total		11.37	16.98	8.56	7.34	8.21	7.50	12.28
Average per employee	£	53.72	50.24	46.29		56.80	47.85	50.79
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• Exclusive of amounts drawn by working proprietors. † Year ended 30th June, 1915, for New South Wales. ‡ See note ‡ first table this section. <

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AMOUNT OF WAGES PAID AND VALUE OF PRODUCTION.

A further analysis of salaries and wages paid is given in the following table, the amounts paid to managers, overseers, etc., being differentiated from those paid to other employees. As previously mentioned, amounts drawn by working proprietors are excluded in all cases.

DETAILS OF SALARIES AND WAGES PAID TO MANAGERS, OVERSEERS, Etc., AND OTHER EMPLOYEES IN FACTORIES DURING 1916.

		1	Salaries ai	nd Wages	Paid to			
Class of Industry.		rs, Over- ountants, llerks.	All Oth ploye		All Employees.			
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Total.	
I. Treating raw materi- al. product of agri-	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	
cultural and pas- toral pursuits, etc. II. Treating oils and fats, animal, vegetable,	100,191	1,750	828,155	5,531	928,346	7,281	935,627	
etc III. Processes in stone.	57,150	4,047	193,544	14,511	250,694	18,558	269,252	
IV. Working in wood V. Metal works, machin-	144,996 318,598	3,994 15,367	1,260,927 2,342,642	4,915 1,846	1,405,923 2,661,240	8,909 17,213	1,414,632 2,679,453	
ery, etc	770,166	27,817	8,201,260	23,732	8,971,426	51,549	9,022,975	
and drink, etc VII. Clothing and textile	966,444	53,116	3,822,299	415,632	4,788,743	468,748	5,257,491	
fabrics, etc VIII. Books, paper, printing	379,902	163,813	2,060,397	2,768,898	2,440,299	2,932,711	5,373,010	
and engraving IX. Musical instruments,	471,874	50,479	2,092,291	274,791	2,564,165	325,270	2,889,435	
etc X. Arms and explosives XI. Vehicles and fittings,			58,052 304,769	980 50,641	66,564 323,242	2,117 53,241	68,681 376,483	
saddlery and har- ness, etc XII. Ship and boat build-	119,615	10,499	1,066,273	12,852	1,185,888	23,351	1,209.239	
ing and repairing XIII. Furniture, bedding, &	51.378	262	649,578	94	700,956	356	701,312	
upholstery XIV. Drugs, chemicals, and	67,261	9,419	783,035	40,871	850,296	50,290	900,586	
by-products XV. Surgical & other scien-	94,963		357,435	50,666	452,398	59,352	511,750	
tific instruments XVI. Jewellery, timepieces,	4,228	492	22,958	1,830	27,186	2,322	29,508	
and platedware XVII. Heat, light, and power		6,800	177,603 1,166,188	28,291	195,336 1,408,913	11,797 35.091	207,133 1,444 004	
XVIII. Leatherware, n.e.i XIX. Minor wares, n.e.i	14,040 39,717	1,793 4,237	79,735 318,389	23,040 58,118	93,775 359,106	24,833 62,355	118,608 420,461	
Total	3,887,966	369,890	25,785,530	3,785.454	29,673,496	4,155,344	33,828.840	
Average paid per employee	206.77	87.11	126.89	48.82	133.66	50.81	111.35	

3. Value of Fuel and Light used in Factories.—The amount expended in factories on fuel and light is of considerable importance; in 1916 it amounted to £3,383,598. The classes of industry in which fuel was most extensively used were Class V., Metal Works, Machinery, etc., £1,060,330; Class VI., Connected with Food, Drink, etc., £678,347; Class XVII., Heat, Light, Power, etc., £576,901, of which amount £484,353 was expended on generating electric light and power; and Class III., £402,566, of which £282,364 was represented in brick and pottery works, etc., and glass AMOUNT OF WAGES PAID AND VALUE OF PRODUCTION.

factories. The following tables shew the value of fuel and light used in the different classes of industry in the several States of the Commonwealth at latest date and of the total used for each of the last six years : -

Class of Industry.	N.S.W. 1915-16	Vic. 1915.	Q'land. 1916.	S.A. _1915-	W.A. 1916.	Tas. 1916.	C'wlth.
I. Treating raw material, pro- duct of agricultural and	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
pastoral pursuits, etc	48,105	36,104	14,151	7,873	2,162	1,694	110,089
II. Treating oils and fats, ani- mal, vegetable, etc	26,221	14,945	2,545	6,596	1,168	328	51,803
III. Processes in stone, clay, glass, etc.	209.186	125.886	5,598	42.213	14,922	4.761	402,566
IV. Working in wood	24,785	17,161	8,396	3,893	2,392	2,129	58,756
V. Metal wks., machinery, etc. VI. Connected with food and	536,854	173,972	32,689	217,212	28,760	70,813	1,060,330
drink, etc	209,142	186,341	182,031	51,297	30,717	18,819	678,347
VII. Clothing and textile fab- rics, etc	47,628	76,820	8,823	9,128	3,720	2,204	148,323
VIII. Books, paper, printing, and		10,620	0,020	9,120		2,204	
engraving IX. Musical instruments, etc.	43,009	42,441	14,625	6,959	5,551	1,737	114,322
X. Arms and explosives	250 4,932	233 6,188		32 3	•••		515 11,123
XI. Vehicles and fittings, sad-		-	0.004	5 905	0.001		40 104
dlery and harness, etc XII. Ship and boat building and	15,284	14,414	2,264	5,365	3,091	1,706	42,124
repairing	16,782	3,289	257	342	21	59	20,750
XIII. Furniture, bedding, and upholstery	8,868	7,589	3,225	2.025	1.480	695	23,882
XIV. Drugs, chemicals, and by-							
products XV. Surgical and other scien-	16,592	16,619	485	9,411	5,541	222	48,870
tific instruments	331	426	211	27	70		1,065
XVI. Jewellery, timepieces, and platedware	1.800	2,751	538	506	202	67	5.864
XVII. Heat, light, and power	313,199	87,958	34.277	36.633	93.382	11,452	576,901
XVIII. Leatherware, n.e.i	1.047	1,509	261	40	41	,	2,898
XIX. Minor wares, n.e.i	4,175	20,320	78	176	303	18	25,070
Total	1,528,220	834,966	310,454	399,731	193,523	116,704	3,383,598

VALUE OF FUEL AND LIGHT USED IN FACTORIES IN COMMONWEALTH, 1916.

VALUE OF FUEL AND LIGHT USED IN FACTORIES IN COMMONWEALTH DURING THE YEARS 1911 to 1916.

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	C'wealth.
<u> </u>	 £	£	£	£	£	£	£
1911	 1,242,613	637, 497	222,560	338,565	176,659	140,816	2,758,710
1912	 1,360,141	683,376	261,978	363,403	191,025	187,461	3,047,384
1913	 1,371,425	739,835	328,519	417,280	198,161	185,681	3,240,901
1914	 1,364,186*	804,325	335,219	406,987	210,192	189,012	3,309,921
1915	 1,364,186*	834,966	300,716	399,731	187,121	110,803	3,197,523
1916†	 1,528,220	834,966	310,454	399,731	193,523	116,704	3,383,598
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* Year ended 30th June, 1915. † See note ‡ first table this section.

4. Value of Raw Materials used in Factories.—The total value of raw materials worked up (*i.e.*, exclusive of fuel, lubricants, etc.) in factories in the Commonwealth during 1916 was £105,180,445, which represents 60.95 per cent. of the total value of the finished products. (See next paragraph.) The following table shews the value of the raw materials worked up in various classes of industry in each State :—

VALUE OF RAW MATERIALS WORKED UP IN FACTORIES IN COMMONWEALTH, 1916.

Class of Industry.	N.S.W. 1915-16.	Vic. 1915.	Q'land. 1916.	S.A. 1915.	W.A. 1916.	Tas. 1916.	C'wlth.
I. Treatingraw material, pro-	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
duct of agricultural and							
pastoral pursuits, etc	5,105,713	3.606,032	1,839,057	668,712	198,126	182,578	11,600,218
II. Treating oils and fats, ani-		1	!			1	,
mal, vegetable. etc	1,002,745	559,419	75,588	131.746	106,315	9,403	1.885,216
III. Processes in stone, clay,							
glass, etc	418,683		17,015		19,370	5,788	725,836
IV. Working in wood	2,119,551	1,105,174	738,107		87,800	109,104	4,678,985
V Metal wks., machinery, etc.	9,854,145	3,135,179	880,259	3,452,227	445,579	577,674	18,345,063
VI. Connected with food and							
drink, etc	17,172,757	11,657,985	10.840,027	2,539,843	1,184,804	1,106.896	44,502,312
VII. Clothing and textile fab-							
rics, etc	3,902,436	5,710,117	1,059,272	480,030	334,000	148,228	11,634,083
VIII. Books, paper, printing, and		1	1	ļ	1		
engraving	1,193,036	1,026,496	252,581		151,681	72,331	2,894,984
IX. Musical instruments, etc.	69,255	10,343		658			80,256
X. Arms and explosives	58,229	338,875		701	·	l	397,805
XI. Vehicles and fittings, sad-		ļ					
dlery and harness, etc	445,449	519,207	125,560	125,971	80,562	45,796	1,342,545
XII. Ship and boat building and							
repairing	190,744	98,730	9,822	9,591	2,827	3,069	314,783
XIII. Furniture, bedding, and			1				
upholstery	555,423	419,782	130,241	77,257	70,078	27,400	1,280,181
XIV. Drugs, chemicals, and by-							
products	912,674	789,583	16,427	341,455	279,958	16,151	2,356,248
XV. Surgical and other scien-						}	
tific instruments	7,023	9,796	2,772	590	1,652		21,833
XVI. Jewellery, timepieces, and							_
platedware	103,274	156,433			9,208	667	298,437
VII. Heat, light, and power	646,245	474,147	73,388		42,491	35,986	1,335,097
VIII. Leatherware, n.e.i.	174,462	179,785	42,481		2,686	1	404,697
XIX. Minor wares, n.e.i	295.235	730,699	13,075	24,804	16,501	1,552	1,081,866
Total	44,227,079	30,728,743	16,127,926	8,720,436	3,033,638	2,342,623	105,180,44

The class in which the maximum value of raw materials was used was Class VI., "Connected with Food and Drink, etc.," the value being $\pounds 44,502,312$. The next important class in order of value was Class V., "Metal Works, Machinery, etc.," in which raw materials to the value of $\pounds 18,345,063$ were used. The class in which the minimum value appears is Class XV., "Surgical and other Scientific Instruments," the value being only $\pounds 21,833$. The following table gives particulars for the six years ended 1916:—

VALUE OF RAW	MATERIALS	WORKED	UP IN	FACTORIES	1 N	COMMONWEALTH
•	DURIN	G THE YEA	ARS 19	911 to 1916.		

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	C'wealth.
1912 1913 1914 1915	$\begin{array}{r} \pounds\\ 33,670,951\\ 37,122,441\\ 40,537,476\\ 42,559,370^*\\ 42,559,370^*\\ 42,259,370^*\\ 44,227,079\end{array}$		11,078,954 14,183,539 15,710,794 15,939,583	8,199,110 8,354,258 7,931,175 8,720,436	2,586,195 2,782,839 2,608,312 2,634,700	2,083,666 1,992,719 2,193,250	£ 79,004,376 88,275,620 96,407,477 99,789,064 102,776,082 105,180,445

• Year ended 30th June, 1915. + See note 1 first table this section.

5. Total Value of Output of Manufacturing Industries.—The value of the output of new goods manufactured and repairs effected in factories of various classes in each State is shewn in the following table. The figures given represent not only the increase in value due to the process of manufacture, but also include the value of the raw materials used. The difference between the value of the materials used and the total output (see paragraph 6 hereof) is the real value of production from manufactories :—

TOTAL TABOD			ALLO IN			/i iii i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i	
Class of Industry.	N.S.W. 1915-6.	Victoria. 1915.	Q'land. 1916.	S.A. 1915.	W.A. 1916.	Tas. 1916.	C'w'lth.
I. Treating raw material, product of agricultural		£	£	£	£	£	. £
& pastoral pursuits, etc.	6,083,338	4,503,751	2,344,981	838,118	255,036	227,846	14,253,070
II. Treating oils and fats, ani- mal, vegetable, etc	1,409,467	858,554	129,791	182,235	152,527	13,177	2,745,751
III. Processes in stone, clay, glass, etc	1,862.081	1,060,652	126.138	301.247	100.415	36.156	
IV. Working in wood	0.000 100	2.204.757	1,487,405	757,427	578.525	346,985	
V. Metal works, mach'y, etc.	17,518,290	6,705,272	2,113,044				34,486,648
VI. Connected with food and drink, etc	21.730.548	15.514.965	15,021,253	3.342.683	1.798.771	1 518 417	58.926.637
VII. Clothing and textile fa-				}			
brics, etc VIII. Books, paper, printing,	7,132,665	9,906,499	1,931,260	911,646	566,516	300,384	20,748,970
and engraving	3,019,964	2,829,505	925,909	502,450	453,043	200,358	7,931,229
IX. Musical instruments, etc. X. Arms and explosives	148,075 356,529	27,310 537,170		2,753 948			178,138 894,647
XI. Vehicles and fittings, sad-							034,041
dlery and harness, etc. XII. Ship and boat building	1,129,517	1,188,035	329,772	313,293	168,255	103,714	3,232,586
and repairing	797,608	296,995	30.824	35,218	8,674	8.021	1,177,340
XIII. Furniture, bedding, and	1 100 004	005 543					
upholstery XIV. Drugs, chemicals, and by-	1,108,604	825,541	316,986	185,464	133,302	73,037	2,642,934
products	1,484,730	1,333,729	44,224	546,145	406,471	20,034	3,835,333
XV. Surgical and other scien- tific instruments	30,458	29.498	9,372	2,240	4.663		76.231
XVI. Jewellery, timepieces, and							
platedware XVII. Heat, light, and power	242,923 2,825,446	313,990 1,922,353	32,096 602,432	40,794 358,275	18,414 335,050	5,834 170,913	654,051 6.214,469
XVIII. Leatherware, n.e.i	281,288	286,920	63,573	8,609	6,011		646,401
XIX. Minor wares, n.e.i	501,153	1,120,597	31,964	46,448	35,264	6,016	1,741,442
Total	70,989,864	51,466,093	25,541,024	13,994,223	6,007,111	4,576,530	172574,845

TOTAL VALUE OF OUTPUT OF FACTORIES IN COMMONWEALTH, 1916.

It will be seen that the State of New South Wales far outstrips the other States in the total value of the output of her factories, the value being £70,989,864, or 41.14 per cent. on the total for the Commonwealth. The next State in order of value is Victoria, which produced 29.82 per cent.; the value of the output of Queensland was 14.80 per cent.; of South Australia 8.11 per cent.; of Western Australia 3.48 per cent.; and of Tasmania 2.65 per cent. The two most important classes in order of value of output (Classes VI. and V.) are the same as in order of value of raw materials used. The following statement shews the value of output of factories, value per employee, and value per head of mean population in each State during the six years ended 1916:—

> TOTAL VALUE OF OUTPUT OF FACTORIES IN COMMONWEALTH DURING THE YEARS 1911 to 1916.

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	C'wealth.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1911	54,346,011	41,747,863	15.675.662	12.416.381	5,311,086	3,525,087	133.022.090
1912	61,163,328	45,410,773	18,798,904	13,438,218	6,092,268	3,871,916	148,775,407
1913	65,672,495	47,936,647	23,688,789	13,998,670	6,481,331	3,782,831	161,560,763
1914	68,253,332*	49,439,985	25,491,955	13,215,970	6,381 512	3,667,754	166,450,508
1915	68,253,332 *	51,466,093	25,444,812	13,994,223	5,712,793	4,215,447	169,086,700
1916‡	70,989,864	51,466,093	25,541,024	13,994,223	6,007,111	4,576,530	172,574.845
			PER F	MPLOYEE.	†		
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1911	500	373	422	445	336	342	427
1912	529	391	459	472	372	369	454
1913	545	404	559	491	375	387	479
1914	585*	418	589	492	362	411	502
1915	585*	452	605	549	390	501	527
1916‡	610	452	639	549	474	547	545
		PER	HEAD OF 1	MEAN POP	ULATION.		
		1					
1911	32.70	31.62	25.52	30.19	18.52	18.52	29.62
1912		33.48	29.77	31 87	20 21	20 20	32.03
1913	36.32	34.41	36 30	32.29	20.64	19.30	33.67
1914	36.67*	34.73	37.77	30.04	19 73	18.49	33.78
1915	33.67*	36.07	37.04	31.85	17.72	21.15	34.21
<u>1916‡</u>	37 95	36 07	37.69	31 85	19 09	23.09	34.97

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AMOUNT OF WAGES PAID AND VALUE OF PRODUCTION.

6. Value of Production of Manufacturing Industries.—The difference between the figures given in paragraph 5 and the corresponding figures in paragraph 4 represents the amount added to the value of the raw materials by the process of manufacture. This is the real measure of the value of production of manufacturing industries. The following table shews the value added in this manner in each State for the various classes of factories:—

VALUE OF PRODUCTION OF MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES IN COMMONWEALTH, 1916.

Class of Industry.	N.S.W. 1915-16.	Victoria. 1915.	Q'land. 1916.	S.A. 1915.	W.A. 1916.	Tas. 1916.	Cwealth.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
I. Treating raw material, pro-		-		-	-	-	-
duct of agricultural and			1				
pastoral pursuits, etc		897,719	505.924	169,406	56,910	45,268	2,652,852
II. Treating oils and fats, ani-			000,011	100,100	00,010	10,200	2,002,002
mal, vegetable, etc	406.722	299.135	54.203	50,489	46.212	3,774	860.535
III. Processes in stone, clay,		-00,100	01,200	00,100	10,212	0,	0000000
glass, etc.	1.443.398	859.691	109.123	237,228	81.045	30,368	2,760,853
IV. Working in wood	1,207,629	1,099,583	749.298	238,178	490,725	237,881	
V. Metal works, machinery,	1,201,020	-1000,000	110,200		100,120	201,001	1,020,201
etc.	7,664,145	3,570,093	1 239 785	2,166,003	540,595	967.964	16.141.585
VI. Connected with food and	1,001,110	0,010,000	1,202,100	2,200,000	0101000		10,111,050
drink, etc	4.557.791	3.856.980	4.181.226	802,840	613.967	411.521	14,424,325
VII. Clothing and textile fab-		0,000,000					
rics, etc	3,230,229	4,196,382	871.988	431,616	232,516	152,156	9.114.887
VIII. Books, paper, printing, and							
engraving	1.826,928	1,803,009	673,328	303.591	301,362	128,027	5.036,245
IX. Musical instruments, etc.	78.820	16.967		2,095			97,882
X. Arms and explosives	298,300	198,295		247			496,842
XI. Vehicles and fittings, sad-							
dlery and harness, etc	684,068	668,828	204,212	187,322	87,693	57,918	1,890,041
XII. Ship and boat building and	l)		1				
repairing	606,864	198,265	21,002	25,627	5,847	4,952	862,557
XIII. Furniture, bedding, and							
upholstery	553,181	405,759	186,745	108,207	63,224	45,637	1,362,753
XIV. Drugs, chemicals, and by	-				1		
products	572,056	544,146	27,797	204,690	126,513	3,883	1,479,085
XV. Surgical and other scien-	-		1	1	j]	1
tific instruments	23,435	19,702	6,600	1,650	3,011		54,398
XVI. Jewellery, timepieces, and	i.			1			
platedware	139,649	157,557	19.842	24,193	9,206	5,167	
XVII. Heat, light, and power		1,448,206	529,044	295,435	292,559	134,927	
XVIII. Leatherware, n.e.i		107,135	21,092	3,326	3,325		241,704
XIX. Minor wares, n.e.i.	205,918	389,898	18,889	21,644	18.763	4,464	659,576
	1						·
				1			
Total		20,737,350					

The amount of the value added in each State is not in the same order as in the case of value of output, the four most important classes being V., VI., VII., and VIII., in the order named. The value added to raw material by process of manufacture and amount per employee and per head of mean population is shewn in the following statement for the years 1911 to 1916 :---

VALUE OF PRODUCTION OF MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES IN COMMONWEALTH, 1911 to 1916.

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Queensland.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	C'wealth.
			VA	LUE.			<u> </u>
1911 1912 1913 1914 1915 1916†	£ 20,675,060 24,040,887 25,135,019 25,693,962* 25,693,962* 26,762,785	£ 16,718,338 18,408,471 19,470,948 20,453,291 20,737,350 20,737,350	£ 6,887,327 7,719,950 9,505,250 9,781,161 9,505,229 9,413,098	£ 4,912,402 5,239,108 5,644,412 5,284,795 5,273,787 5,273,787	£ 3,251,740 3,506,073 3,698,492 3,773,200 3,078,093 2,973,473	£ 1,572,847 1,585,298 1,699,165 1,675,035 2,022,197 2,233,907	£ 54,017,714 60,499,787 65,153,286 66,661,444 66,310,618 67,394,400
			PER E	MPLOYEE.			
1911 1912 1913 1914 1915 1916†	£ 190 208 209 220* 230 230	£ 149 159 164 173 182 182	£ 185 189 224 226 226 235	£ 176 184 198 197 207 207	£ 206 214 214 214 214 210 235	£ 153 159 174 188 240 267	£ 173 185 193 201 207 213

• Year ended 30th June, 1915. † See note ‡ first table this section.

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	C'wealth.
·		PER	HEAD OF	MEAN POP	ULATION.		
1911 1912 1913 1914 1915 1916†	£ 19.44 13.84 13.90 13.80* 13.80* 14.31	£ 12.66 13.57 13.98 14.37 14.54 14.54	£ 11.21 12.22 14.57 14.49 13.84 13.89	£ 11.95 12.43 13.02 12.01 12.00 12.00	£ 11.34 11.63 11.78 11.67 9.55 9.45	£ 8.26 8.27 8.67 8.44 10.14 11.27	£ 12.03 13.03 13.56 13.53 13.41 13.66

VALUE OF PRODUCTION OF MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES IN COMMONWEALTH, 1911 TO 1916—Continued.

* Year ended 30th June, 1915. † See note ‡ first table this section.

As the total value of the output for the Commonwealth was estimated at $\pounds 172,574,845$, there remained, after payment of $\pounds 105,180,445$, the value of the raw materials used, of $\pounds 33,828,840$ for salaries and wages, and of $\pounds 3,383,598$ for fuel, the sum of $\pounds 30,181,962$ to provide for all other expenditure and profits. The following table gives corresponding particulars for each State, expressed absolutely, and as percentages of the total value of the output:—

VALUE OF	OUTPUT	AND	COST	OF	PRODUCTION	IN	COMMONWEALTH
			FACT	ORI	ES, 1916.		

State.	Raw Materials Used.	Fuel and Light.	Salaries and Wages.	All other Expenditure Interest, and Profits.	Total Value of Output.
	VALUE AN	ID COST, E	CTC.		
	£	£	£	£	£
New South Wales, 1915-16	44,227,079	1.528,220	13,413,845	11,820,720	70,989,864
Victoria, 1915	30,728,743	834,966	11,036,345	8,866,039	51,466,093
Queensland, 1916	16,127,926	310,454	4,181,254		25,541,024
South Australia, 1915	8,720,436	399,731	2,705,130	2,168,926	13,994,223
Western Austra ia, 1916		193,523	1,656,799	1,123,151	6,007,111
Tasmania, 1916	2,342,623	116,704	835,467	1,281,736	4,576,530
Commonwealth	105,180,445	3,383,598	33,828,840	30,181,962	172,574,845
PERCENTAG	E OF COST	S, ETC., O	N TOTAL V	ALUE.	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
	8	%	%	%	%
New South Wales, 1915-16	62.30	2.15	18.90	16.65	100.00
Victoria, 1915	59.71	1.62	21.44	17.23	100.00
Queensland, 1916	63.15	1.22	16.37	19.26	100.00
South Australia, 1915	62.31	2.86	19.33	15.50	100.00
Western Australia, 1916	50.50	3.22	27.58	18.70	100.00
Tasmania, 1916	51.19	2.55	18.26	28.00	100.00
Commonwealth	60.95	1.96	19.60	17.49	100.00

§ 7. Land, Buildings, Plant and Machinery.

1. General.—As an indication of the permanent character and stability of the industries which have been established in the Commonwealth, it may be noted that the values of land and buildings and of plant and machinery used in the factories are rapidly increasing. Thus, for the whole Commonwealth the total value of land and buildings and plant and machinery has increased from 1911 to 1916 by £20,685,100, *i.e.*, from $\pounds 63,906,846$ to $\pounds 84,591,946$, or at the rate of $\pounds 4,137,020$ per annum.

LAND, BUILDINGS, PLANT AND MACHINERY.

The following statement shews the values of land and buildings and of plant and machinery used in connection with manufacturing industries in each State:—

VALUE OF LAND, BUILDINGS, PLANT, AND MACHINERY IN CONNECTION WITH MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES, 1916.

Value of—	N.S.W. 1915-16.	Victoria. 1915.	Q'land. 1916.	S. Aust. 1915.	W. Aust. 1916.	Tas. 1916.	C'wlth.
	£ 17,770,517 18,211,104			£ 3,072,784 2,990,702			£ 40,696,355 43,895,591
Total	35,981,621	22,529,072	12,558,697	6,063,486	5,065,368	2,393,702	84,591,946

The total capital invested in land, buildings, plant and machinery in manufacturing industries in the Commonwealth during the year 1916 was approximately \pounds 84,591,946 (or \pounds 17 2s. 11d. per head of population); of that sum \pounds 40,696,355 was invested in land and buildings occupied as manufactories, the remaining \pounds 43,895,591 being the value of the plant and machinery used in connection therewith.

2. Value of Land and Buildings.—The value of the land and buildings occupied in connection with manufacturing industries may be conveniently classified according to the nature of the industry conducted therein.

(i.) Total Value in Commonwealth, 1911 to 1916. The following table shews for the whole Commonwealth the approximate values of land and buildings occupied in connection with manufacturing industries of various classes during each year from 1911 to 1916 inclusive :—

VALUE OF LAND AND BUILDINGS OCCUPIED AS FACTORIES IN COMMONWEALTH, 1911 to 1916.

Class of Industry.	1911.	1912.	1913.	1914.	1915.	1916.
I. Treating raw material, product of agricultural and pastoral	£	£	, £	£	£	£
pursuits, etc	978,978	1,004,221	1,014,783	1,063,549	1,069,890	1,002,686
II. Treating oils and fats, animal, vegetable, etc.	445,499	449,453	452,415	466,373	465,757	518,932
III. Processes in stone, clay, glass, etc	1,228,889	1.382.062	1.593,769	1,679,050	1,666,097	1.620,520
IV. Working in wood	1.668.045	1.923,963	2,184.257	2,244,995	2,146,909	2,036,786
V. Metal works, machinery, etc	5.000.274	5.437.718	5.846.225	6,242,968	6,370,355	6,583,452
VI. Connected with food & drink, etc.	8,167,496	8,259,066	8,656,547	9,800,457	9.852,479	10,508,926
VII. Clothing and textile fabrics, etc.	4,601,924	4,928,474	5,188,631	5,270,374	5,244,627	5,239,362
VIII. Books, paper, printing, and en-		}				
graving	2,964,466					3,824,069
IX. Musical instruments, etc	82,168					82.695
X. Arms and explosives	41,462	112,300	184.772	179,723	194,149	212,267
. XI. Vehicles and fittings, saddlery						
and harness, etc	1,453,077	1,654,488			1,825,999	1,822,565
XII. Ship & boat building & repairing	1,163,299	1,261,647	1,113,243		1,134,530	1,126,754
XIII. Furniture, bedding & upholstery	\$93,408	1,043,680	1,149,120		1,094,646	1,075,547
XIV. Drugs, chemicals & by-products	760,441	823,429	831,892	929,933	955,995	1,013,577
XV. Surgical and other scientific						-
instruments	61,703	59,308	70,968	64,263	67,021	70,536
XVI. Jewellery, timepieces, & plated-						
ware	300,717	344,306	353,900		344,452	325,126
XVII. Heat, light, and power	2,320,348	2,511,317	2,517,179		2,775,148	3,150,513
XVIII. Leatherware, n.e.i	111,506	120,646	133,283		137,666	137,391
XIX. Minor wares, n.e.i	250,550	257,298	270,307	317,417	343,529	344,651
Total	32,494,250	34,809,156	36,872,720	39,128,176	39,318,696	40,696,355

As shewn in the above table, the total net increase during the five years was $\pounds 8,202,105$, or an annual average of $\pounds 1,640,421$. The largest increases were in Classes VI., V., and VIII., and amounted to $\pounds 2,341,430, \pounds 1,583,178$, and $\pounds 859,603$ respectively.

(ii.) Value in each State. The following table gives similar information for each State up to latest date:---

VALUE OF LAND AND BUILDINGS OCCUPIED AS FACTORIES IN EACH STATE, 1916.

Class of Industry.	N.S.W. 1915-16-	Victoria. 1915.	Q'land. 1916.	S.A. 1915.	W.A. 1916.	Tas. 1916.	C'w'lth.
I. Treating raw material, pro- duct of agricultural and		£	£	£	£	£	£
pastoral pursuits, etc II. Treating oils and fats, ani-	387,749	400,018	70,568	92,180	37,769	14,402	1,002,686
mal, vegetable, etc	291,466	112,714	28,458	66,629	15,440	4,225	518,932
III. Processes in stone, clay, glass, etc IV. Working in wood	894,428 943,987	459,673 394,487	66,700 225,660	113,171 153,019	59,363 242,068	27,185 77,555	1,620,520 2,036,786
V. Metal works, machinery, etc.	3,162,194	1,536,579	658,692	567,849	598,938	59,150	6,583,452
VI. Connected with food and drink, etc.	3,557,208		2,435,943	747,649	442,682	{ .	10,508,926
VII. Clothing and textile fab- rics, etc.	2.175.606	2.012.234	441,911	286,294	197.884	125,433	5,239,362
VIII. Books, paper, printing and engraving	1.731.074	975.545	486,228	334.840	246,707	49,675	3,824,069
IX. Musical instruments, etc. X. Arms and explosives	56,600 89,044	24,395 119,723		$1,700 \\ 3,500$			82,695 212,267
XI. Vehicles and fittings, sad- dlery and harness, etc	705,395	559,343	179,192	200,886	109.694	68,055	1.822.565
XII. Ship and boat building and repairing	825,833	220,383	10,093	-60,705	4,815	4,925	1,126,754
XIII. Furniture, bedding and up- holstery	464,985	327.387	111,839	75,494	69,595	26,247	1,075,547
XIV. Drugs, chemicals, and by- products	408.779	342,723	10,860	160,755	84,060		1.013.577
XV. Surgical and other scien- tific instruments	34,115	20,151	8,004	2,416	5,850		70,536
XVI. Jewellery, timepieces, and	124,695	130,935	23.091	21.045	12,105	13.255	325.126
XVII. Heat, light, and power	1,705,435 62,586	902,572 58,115	232,395	164,147 2.190	99,886 3,900	46,078	3,150,513 137,391
XIX. Minor wares, n.e.i	149,338	142,559	14,590	18,315	16,699	3,150	344,651
Total	17,770,517	11,460,123	5,014,824	3,072,784	2,247,505	1,130,602	40,696,3 55

The maximum value for the Commonwealth of land and buildings in any particular class was in Class VI., amounting to $\pounds10,508,926$, or 25.82 per cent. on the total value. The next in order of importance were Classes V., VII., VIII., and XVII., in which the values were $\pounds6,583,452, \pounds5,239,362, \pounds3,824,069$, and $\pounds3,150,513$ respectively. The sum of the values for the five classes mentioned amounted to $\pounds29,306,322$, or 72.01 per cent. on the total value for all classes.

(iii.) Total Value in each State, 1911 to 1916. The following table shews the total value of land and buildings occupied as manufactories in each State at the end of each year from 1911 to 1916 inclusive:—

TOTAL VALUE OF LAND AND BUILDINGS OCCUPIED AS FACTORIES IN EACH STATE, 1911 to 1916.

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Queensland.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	C'wealth.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1911	13,474,455	9,921,520	3,277,776	2,950,170	1,819,342	1,050,987	32,494,250
1912	14,765,810	10,362,661	3,524,991	3,150,834	1,910,372	1,094,488	34,809,156
1913	15,792,105	10,753,309	3,923,584	3,261,242	2,036,769	1,105,711	36,872,720
1914	16,843,698*	11,248,120	4,434,336	3,047,791	2,409,517	1,144,714	39,128,176
1915	16,843,698*	11,460,123	4,446,405	3,072,784	2,363,262	1,132,424	39,318,696
1916†	17,770,517	11,460,123	5,014,824	3,072,784	2,247,505	1,130,602	40,696,355
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* Year ended 30th June, 1915. † See note ‡ first table this section.

It will be seen that since 1911 there has been a general increase throughout the Commonwealth. The States shewing the largest growth were New South Wales, with an average increase per annum for four and a-half years of £954,682, Victoria for four years £384,651, and Queensland with an average of £347,410 for five years.

LAND, BUILDINGS, PLANT AND MACHINERY.

3. Value of Plant and Machinery.—(i.) Total Value in Commonwealth, 1911 to 1916. The following table shews for the whole Commonwealth the approximate value of plant and machinery used in factories during each year from 1911 to 1916 inclusive:—

VALUE OF	PLANT	AND	MACHINERY	USED	IN	FACTORIES	IN	COMMONWEALTH,
			191	1 to 19	916.			

Class of Industry.	1911.	1912.	1913.	1914.	1915.	1916.
I. Treating raw material, product		£	£	£	£	£
of agricultural and pastoral						
pursuits, etc	877,820	926,966	985,619	974,556	971,841	965,932
II. Treating oils and fats, animal,		11	444 500	400 000		
vegetable, etc III. Processes in stone, clay, glass, etc.	435,315	417,231	444,502		545,796	576,877
III. Processes in stone, city, glass, etc. IV, Working in wood		1,491,383	1.717,544		1,900,086	1,866,993
V. Metal works, machinery, etc	2,207,703	2,455,436	2,664,508		2,611,407	2,806,653
VI. Connected with food and drink.	5,722,956	6,308,356	6,879,461	7,630,150	7,651,160	8,494,093
	8,570,565	9,029,735	0 650 000	10,782,825	10 014 000	11 654 100
VII. Clothing and textile fabrics, etc.	1,538,062	1,620,437		1,774.910	10,914,862 1,798,554	1.846.758
VIII. Books, paper, printing, and en-	1,000,002	1,020,437	1,140,115	1,114,910	1,195,554	1,040,708
and a set of the set o	2,481,999	2,628,039	2.814.226	2,974,120	2,987,190	3,054,941
IX. Musical instruments, etc.	17,924	20,960	22,630		19,119	21,191
X. Arms and explosives		158.823	190,060		228.031	228,210
XI. Vehicles and fittings, saddlery		100,020	130,000	210,001	220,001	220,210
and harness, etc	283,470	329,933	374.371	395,463	411.295	421.416
XII. Ship and boat building, and		020,000	011,011	000,100	111,200	121,110
repairing	478.012	597.783	725.934	764,782	768,159	511.237
XIII, Furniture, bedding, and up-			1	101,102	100,100	0,
holstery	177.924	207.211	235.068	238.547	244.796	251.822
XIV. Drugs, chemicals, & by-products			650,185		916,136	868,126
XV. Surgical and other scientific		1				
instruments	11,158	11,615	13,121	13,758	13,955	13,873
XVI. Jewellery, timepieces, and				1		
platedware	61,765	61,791	68,186		72,988	74,617
XVII. Heat, light, and power		7,135,997	7,560,198		9,532,800	9,970,117
XVIII. Leatherware, n.e.i		27,695	28,035		31,706	34,240
XIX. Minor wares, n.e.i	138,896	145,141	166,172	199,343	226,285	234,313
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Total	31,412,596	34,203,934	36,936,831	41,038,551	41,846,166	43,895,591

It will be seen that during the period in question there has been a steady and substantial net increase amounting in all to $\pounds 12,482,995$, or an annual average of $\pounds 2,496,599$. Development has occurred in all classes of industry, the largest increase being in Class XVII., "Heat, Light, and Power," where it amounted to $\pounds 3,544,960$, while the two next largest were in Class VI., "Connected with Food and Drink, etc.," with an increase of $\pounds 3,083,617$, and Class V., "Metal Works, Machinery, etc.," $\pounds 2,771,137$.

(ii.) Total Value in each State, 1911 to 1916. The figures which were given in the above table referred to the Commonwealth as a whole. In the following table they are shewn for each State, and it will be seen that the increase referred to above is general throughout the States. New South Wales shews by far the largest increase, viz., £5,700,504; while Victoria comes next with £2,732,576.

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Queensland.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	C'wealth.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1911	12,510,600	8,336,373	4,947,259	2,319,387	2,082,777	1,216,200	31,412,596
1912	13,795,195	9,095,134	5,442,471	2,468,579	2,241,536	1,161,019	34,203,934
1913	14,861,676	10,022,429	5,877,387	2,662,196	2,264,455	1,248,688	36,936,831
1914	16,866,982*	10,727,526	6,898,673	2,869,199	2,484,793	1,191,378	41,038,551
1915	16,866,982*	11,068,949	7,051,113	2,990,702	2,640,168	1,228,252	41,846,166
1916†	18,211,104	11,068,949	7,543,873	2,990,702	2,817,863	1,263,100	43,895,591

VALUE OF PLANT AND MACHINERY IN FACTORIES, 1911 to 1916.

• Year ended 30th June, 1915.

† See note ‡ first table this section.

(iii.) Classified Value in each State. The following table shews the value of plant and machinery used in factories in each State, classified according to the nature of the industry in which used:—

Class of Industry.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W.Aust.	Tas.	C'wlth.
	1915-16.	1915.	1916.	1915.	1916.	1916.	
I. Treating raw material, pro- duct of agricultural and		£	£	£	£	£	£
pastoral pursuits, etc	397,382	318,759	119,164	63,646	23,300	43,681	965,932
II. Treating oils and fats, ani- mal, vegetable, etc.	345,704	138,662	42,794	27,105	22,046	566	576,877
III. Processes in stone, clay,							
glass, etc IV. Working in wood	1,098,225	439,356	80,823	163,853	66,925	17,811	1,866,993
V. Metal wks., machinery, etc.	817,519 4,956,818		465,104	84,223	751,943	177,033	2,806,653
VI. Connected with food and		1,560,541	627,147	561,090	597,762	190,735	8,494,093
drink, etc	3,604,699	2,263,565	4,579,428	604,388	436,712	165,390	11,654,182
VII. Clothing and textile fab-							
rics, etc VIII, Books, paper, printing, and	626,422	890,009	141,871	100,690	35,654	52,112	1,846,758
engraving	1,277.002	1,010,984	317,583	225,598	161.873	61,901	3,054,941
IX. Musical instruments, etc.	13,866	6.725		600	101,010		21,191
X. Arms and explosives	100,551	127,259		400			228,210
XI. Vehicles and fittings, sad-			1		[
dlery and harness, etc.	149,952	140,286	41,490	54,485	21,347	13,856	421,416
XII. Ship and boat building and repairing	398,881	04 765	505	11.040	1.005	- 151	E11 097
XIII. Furniture, bedding, and up-	999,001	84,765	7,915	11,240	1,285	7,151	511,237
holstery	75,510	77,545	43.284	30,973	14,666	9,844	251,822
XIV. Drugs, chemicals, and by-		1		1	1	. ·	
products	238,743	272,545	6,202	177,253	172,638	745	868,126
XV. Surgical and other scien- tific instruments		4 501	1 000	050	1.075	l	10.070
XVI. Jewellery, timepieces, and	5,099	4,731	1,838	850	1,355		13,873
platedware	00.175	31.461	4,109	5,230	1.747	1.895	74.617
XVII. Heat, light, and power	0.000,000		1.059,588		504.474	519,940	9.970.117
XVIII. Leatherware, n.e.i	14 110	14.672	3,619		914	010,010	34,240
XIX. Minor wares, n.e.i	91,805	134,311	1,914		3,222	440	234,313
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Total	18,211,104	11,068,949	7,543,873	2,990,702	2,817,863	1,263,100	43,895,591
TOBAL	18,211,104	11,068,949	7,543,873	2,990,702	2,817,863	1,263,100	43,895,5

VALUE OF PLANT AND MACHINERY USED IN FACTORIES IN EACH STATE, 1916.

The greatest value for any particular class of industry is for Class VI., "Connected with Food and Drink, etc.," and amounts to £11,654,182, or 26.55 per cent. on the total for all classes. The next in order of importance is Class XVII., "Heat, Light, and Power," which amounts to £9,970,117, or 22.71 per cent. on the total; followed by Class V., "Metal Works, Machinery, etc.," amounting to £8,494,093, or 19.35 per cent. on the total value. The total for these three classes amounts to £30,118,392, or 68.61 per cent. on the total value for all classes.

§ 8. Individual Industries.

1. General.—The preceding remarks and tables furnish a general view of the recent development of particular classes of industries in Australia treated under the nineteen categories referred to in § 1.3 hereof. In order to make the information complete, it is necessary to furnish details of the development of individual industries. While it is not possible, within the limits of this article, to give a full and detailed account of all the manufacturing industries of the Commonwealth, it is proposed to deal herein with such particular industries as are of special importance by reason of the number of persons employed, the number of factories, the amount of capital invested therein, the value of the production, or other features of special interest. In cases where there are only one or two establishments of a particular class in any State, returns relative to output are not published, in order to avoid disclosing information as to the operations of individual factories.

2. Tanning Industry.—(i.) In Class I. (see § 1. 3 hereof) the most important industry is tanning. Until recent years, the production of tanneries in Australia was confined to the coarser class of leathers, but lately the tanning of the finer skins has been undertaken with satisfactory results. The present position of the industry in the several States is as follows :—

TANNERIES, 1916.

Items.	N.S.W. 1915-16.	Vic. 1915.	Q'land. 1916.	S.A. 1915	W.A. 1916.	Tas. 1916.	C'wlth.
	1,060 1,397 137,376 92,701 135,464 8,877 1,144,103 1,433,637	1,720 1,883 185,753 138,043 219,596 13,701 1,606,586 2,106,358	209 399 17,576 21,354 26,193 1,413 246,908 325,548	1,864 150,811 204,617	3 51 105 14,889 10,750 7,408 749 72,998 90,127 17,129		163 3,303 4,145 387,706 225,956 422,014 27,292 3,283,787 4,233,427 949,640

(ii.) Raw Materials used in Tanneries. The quantity of raw materials used in tanneries in each State is shewn in the following table:---

Particulars.		N.S.W. 1915-16.	Vic. 1915.	Q'land. 1916.	S. Aust. 1915.	W. Aust. 1916.	Tas. 1916.	C'wealth.
Hides & calf skins Sheep pelts Other skins Bark	No	3,504,375 283,337	931,285 907,653 242,796 14,600	105,311 68.345 127,517 2,395	89,045 68,476 17,751 1,489	27,405 9,722 640	22,712 61,345 310	1,742,948 4,610,194 681,123 30,349

RAW MATERIALS USED IN TANNERIES, 1916.

(iii.) Progress of Tanning Industries, 1911 to 1916. The development of the tanning industry during the period 1911 to 1916 is shewn in the following table :---

DEVELOPMENT (90	TANNING	INDUSTRY	IN	THE	COMMONWEALTH.	1911	to	1916.	
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Items.	1911.	1912.	1913.	1914.*	1915.	1916.
Number of factories	. 3,247 3,168 2 343,914 2 241,245 2 332,206 2 21,711 2 2,099,034 2 2,698,250	174 3,071 3,274 366,898 250,495 328,060 21,341 2,216,705 2,834,007 617,302	164 2.892 3.746 366,696 276,610 322,747 19,642 2,428,003 3.030,785 602,782	3,803 392,420 283,499 366,484 22,573 2,732,525 3,468,475		163 3,303 4,145 387,706 285,956 422,014 27,292 3,283,787 4,233,427 949,640

* Including three bone milling establishments in Western Australia.

It will be seen from the above table that as regards the number of factories and of hands employed, the figures during the last five years have been almost stationary. The approximate amount of permanently invested capital, however, shews a very substantial increase, amounting to 12.73 per cent. in the value of land and buildings, and 18.53 per cent. in that of plant and machinery. The amount of wages paid, value of materials used, and of final output, shew the large increases of 27.03, 56.44 and 56.90 per cent. respectively during the same period.

3. Fellmongering and Wool-scouring.—(i.) The next industry in importance in Class I. is that of fellmongering and wool-scouring, one of the earliest industries established in Australia. The following table gives particulars of the industry in each State :—

Items.	N.S.W. 1915-16.	Vie. 1915.	Qld. 1916.	S.A. 1915.	W.A. 1916.	Tas. 1916.	C'wlth.
Number of factories	49	30	18	3			100
Number of employees	1,474	445	389	71			2,379
Actual horse-power of engines used	3,007	627	736	93		·	4,463
Approx. value of land and buildings £	145,862	69,225	43,953	4,490			263,530
Approx. value of plant and machinery £	187,850	55,307	86,124	4,850			334,131
Total amount of wages paid £	174.259	49.288	48,363	7.218			279.128
Value of fuel used £	26.028	8.115	9,961	810			44.914
Value of raw material worked up £	3,224,833	939.524	1.580.739	158.053			5.903.149
	3,704,179	1,095,097	1,995,673	194.173			6,989,122
Value added in process of manufacture£		155,573	414.934	36,120			1,085,973

FELLMONGERING AND WOOL-SCOURING, 1916.

(ii.) Development of Fellmongering and Wool-scouring, 1911 to 1916.—The following return furnishes particulars of fellmongering and wool-scouring establishments in the Commonwealth for the last six years :—

DEVELOPMENT OF FELLMONGERING AND WOOL-SCOURING IN THE COMMONWEALTH, 1911 to 1916.

, Items.	1911.	1912.	1913.	1914.	1915.	1916.
Number of employees	$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	2,544 3,831 267,188 348,970 209,352 31.445 3,859,200 4,444,938	33,404 4,365,413, 4,940,410	108 2,298 3,772 256,330 330,047 226,509 36,658 4,238,705 4,742,531 503,826	2,337 3,754 266,440 329,780 245,362 40,834 5,223,231 5,919,690	$\begin{array}{r} 100\\ 2,379\\ 4,463\\ 263,530\\ 334,131\\ 279,128\\ 44,914\\ 5,903,149\\ 6,989,122\\ 1,085,973\end{array}$

A slight decline has taken place in this industry during the last five years as regards the number of establishments and of employees. On the other hand, the amount paid in wages, the value of materials used, and of the final output, all shew substantial increases amounting to 33.8 per cent., 57.1 per cent., and 60.9 per cent. respectively.

4. Soap and Candle Factories.—(i.) In Class II. (see § 1. 3 hereof) the manufactures of soap and candles are the most important industries. These two manufactures are frequently carried on in the same establishments, so that separate returns cannot be obtained; it may, however, be said generally that the manufacture of soap is the more important of the two. The following table gives particulars of soap and candle factories in each State during the year 1916:—

SOAP AND CANDLE FACTORIES, 1916.

Items.	N.S.W. 1915-16.	Vic. 1915.	Qld. 1916.	S.A. 1915.	W.A. 1916.	Tas. 1916.	Cwlth.
Number of factories	585 191,104	17 639 464 96,770 121,946 71,282 12,587 457,900 721,845 263,945	129,791	5 200 177 55,682 22,166 24,715 6,343 130,021 177,472 47,451	152,527	13,147	72 2,009 1,477 391,619 447,005 219,398 38,548 1,318,105 1,965,881 647,776

(ii.) Development of Soap and Candle Factories, 1911 to 1916. The following table gives similar particulars for the last six years as regards the Commonwealth as a whole :--

Items.	1911.	1912.	1913.	1914.	19 <u>1</u> 5.	1916.
Number of factories a employees Approximate value of land and buildings £ plant and machinery £ Total amount of wages paid £ Value of fuel used £ , of raw material worked up £ , of final output £ , added in process of manufacture £	326,273 148,592 31,701 1,018,757 1,588,416	$\begin{array}{r} 1,776\\ 1,274\\ 360,572\\ 348,365\\ 162,551\\ 30,896\\ 1,030,770\\ 1,614,898\end{array}$	1,7551,314360,783364,357172,24731,6921,067,0011,644,188	1,801 1,434 374,418 385,744 190,349 33,949 1,117,140 1,756,938	2,141 1,420 374,886 460,519 219,865 36,101 1,285,950 1,971,513	1,477 391,619 447,005 219,398 38,548 1,318,105 1,965,881

DEVELOPMENT OF SOAP AND CANDLE FACTORIES IN THE COMMONWEALTH, 1911 to 1916

• Including three bark milling establishments in Western Australia in 1914, and three oil establishments in 1915.

(iii.) Production of Soap and Candles, 1911 to 1916. The subjoined statement shews that, taking the Commonwealth as a whole, there has been a considerable increase in the output of soap during the past five years.

PRODUCTION OF SOAP AND CANDLES IN THE COMMONWEALTH, 1911 to 1916.

Particulars.					1911.	1912.	1913.	1914. *	1915.	1916. *
Soap Candles				ewt. "		688,722 130,785				

• Exclusive of Western Australia, for which State particulars are not available for publication.

(iv.) Raw Materials Used, 1911 to 1916. The following statement shews the quantity of certain raw materials used in soap and candle factories in the Common-wealth during the years 1911 to 1916 :--

RAW MATERIALS USED IN SOAP AND CANDLE FACTORIES, 1911 to 1916.

Partic	ulars.				1911.	1912.	1913.	1914. *	1915. •	1916.
Tallow				cwt.	356,471	411.701	391,133	410,235	439,402	416,649
Alkali Cocoanut oil	···· ···	···· ···	···· ···	gäl.	133,675 505,612	135,643 489,329	135,231 457,693	158,624 460,561	159,344 485,851	154,348 630,298

• Exclusive of Western Australia, for which State figures are not available for publication.

5. Saw Mills, etc.—The most important industry in Class IV. is that of saw-milling. As separate particulars of forest saw mills are not available for some of the States, both forest and other saw mills, as well as joinery, moulding, and box factories have been combined in the following table:—

ν.	SAW	MILLS,	FOREST	AND	OTHER,	JOINERY,	Etc.,	191 6 ,
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Items.	N.S.W. 1915-16-	Vic. 1915.	Q'land. 1916.	S.A. 1915.	W.A. 1916.	Tas. 1916.	C'w'lth.
Number of factories employees Actual horse-power of engines employed Approx. value of land and buildings £ plant and machinery £ Total amount of wages paid during year Value of fuel used £	829,367 749,321	5,828 5,640 341,623 480,843 658,931	4,355 8,909 214,829 458,337 467,031	87 1,213 1,600 143,800 77,445 133,195 3,636	751,943 346,729	2,120 74,125 175,243 164,083	1,526 22,173 44,456 1,845,812 2,693,132 2,552,197 52,273
Value of raw material worked up £	2,020,992 3,128,678	$1.045\ 278$ 2.061.595	723,080	501,992 726,734	87,800 578,525	108,059 343,639 235,580	52,275 4,487,201 8,297,110 3,809,909

The development of forest and other saw mills, etc., since 1911, is shewn in the following table :---

Items.	1911.	1912.	1913.	1914.	1915.	1916.
, , , of plantand machinery £ Total amount of wages paid £ Value of fuel used £ , of raw material worked up £ , of final output £	1,532,620 2,141,883 2,749,209 37,308 4,208,333 8,535,800	29,358 40,256 1,754,241 2,365,462 3,211,625 43,913 4,900,612 9,882,810	30,371 45,684 2,008,035 2,571,701 3,383,907 51,436 5,273,688 10,411,923	28,864 47,341 2,063,437 2,632,465 3,401,045 50,650 5,012,211 10,100,686	24,847 46,479 1,969,758 2,502,325 2,780,990 51,276 4,602,863 8,892,082	22,173 44,456 1,845,812 2,693,132 2,552,197 52,273

DEVELOPMENT OF SAW MILLS, FOREST AND OTHER, JOINERY, Etc., IN THE COMMONWEALTH, FROM 1911 to 1916.

The great development in the building and other trades in Australia during the years immediately preceding the war is reflected in the very satisfactory progress of the timber industries, in which there were large increases in wages paid, value of materials used, and final output, as well as in capital invested in land and buildings, and plant and machinery. For the past three years, however, there was, as might have been expected, a fairly considerable decline on the returns for 1913.

6. Agricultural Implement Factories.—The manufacture of agricultural implements is an important industry in Australia, and is of particular interest owing to the fact that it is one of the first industries to which the so-called "New Protection" system was sought to be applied (see Section XXVII. hereof). The nature of the articles manufactured may be gathered from the machines scheduled in the Customs tariff, 1906-7, which includes stripper harvesters, strippers, stump-jump ploughs, disc cultivators, winnowers, corn-shellers and baggers, drills, and other implements usually employed in agriculture. The stripper-harvester, which combines the stripper with a mechanism for winnowing and bagging grain, is an Australian invention, and is exported to many countries.

The following table gives particulars of the agricultural implement works of Australia for the year 1916 :--

Items.	N.S.W. 1915-16.	Victoria 1915.	Q'land. 1916.	S.Aust. 1915.	W.A. 1916,	Tas. 1916.	C'w'lth.
Number of factories employees Actual horse-power of engines employed Approx. value of land and buildings & model amount of wages paid during year & Value of fuel used & Value of raw material worked up & Total value of output & Value added in process of manufacture &	92,888 33,905 70,979 2,653 355,144 496,514	$\begin{array}{r} 64\\ 1,678\\ 1,372\\ 159,942\\ 188,492\\ 206,764\\ 15,337\\ 213,257\\ 526,756\\ 313,499\end{array}$	6 86 97 6,020 7,128 7,691 597 10,653 22,030 11,377	54 912 881 67,093 79,585 97,852 6,142 109,276 258,911 149,635	3 261 131 29,065 26,937 42,389 4,318 68,626 152,727 84,101	275 707	151 3,538 2,811 355,108 336,397 425,866 29,067 757,231 1,457,645 700,414

AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENT WORKS, 1916.

The following table shews the conditions of this industry during the years 1911 to 1916 to have been somewhat fluctuating. A general decline took place during 1914 and 1915, attributable to various causes, the recent drought and a reduction in the exports to other countries being the principal contributing factors. The 1916 figures, however, shew more satisfactory results, being an advance on either of the two previous years as regards material worked up and output :--

Items.	1911,	1912.	1913.	1914.	1915.	1916.
Number of factories Number of employees Actual horse-power of engines used Approx. value of land and buildings Approx. value of plant and machinery Total amount of wages paid Value of fuel used Value of raw material worked up Value of final output Value added in process of manufacture	155 5,156 2,347 £ 284,469 £ 245,025 £ 550,922 £ 32,349 £ 811,322 £ 1,656,364 £ 845,042	$\begin{array}{c} 159\\ 4,733\\ 2,419\\ 331,348\\ 281,923\\ 527,406\\ 30,961\\ 751,596\\ 1,538,421\\ 786,825\end{array}$	154 4,444 2,608 348,666 309,015 502,244 30,408 824,556 1,536,378 711,822	360,916 324,292 466,686 29,892 749,153 1,413,789	$\begin{array}{c} 153\\ 3,606\\ 2,905\\ 363,166\\ 337,459\\ 428,370\\ 29,167\\ 664,412\\ 1,299,308\\ 634,896\end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 151\\ 3,538\\ 2,811\\ 355,108\\ 336,397\\ 425,866\\ 29,067\\ 757,231\\ 1,457,645\\ 700,414\end{array}$

DEVELOPMENT OF AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENT WORKS IN THE COMMONWEALTH, FROM 1911 to 1916.

7. Engineering, Ironworks, and Foundries.—The classification in these industries is not very satisfactory. Generally, engineering shops, ironworks, and foundries are included, as also are factories for making nails, safes, patterns, meters, and springs. Railway workshops, agricultural implement factories, cyanide, smelting, pyrites, and metallurgical works, galvanised iron, stoves and ovens, and wire working establishments are not included. The combination of industries is rendered necessary owing to the limited classification still adopted by some of the States.

ENGINEERING, IRONWORKS, AND FOUNDRIES, 1916.

Items.	N.S.W. 1915-16.	Vic. 1915.	Q'land. 1916.	S.A. 1915.	W.A. 1916.	Таз. 1916.	C'w'lth.
plant and machinery £ Total amount of wages paid during year £ Value of fuel used£ Value of raw materials worked up £	1,291,200 2,280,219 1.656,521 262,560 2,418,060 5,072,153	$\begin{array}{r} 8.999\\ 8,744\\ 655,613\\ 846,337\\ 1,105,930\\ 110,353\\ 1,447,547\\ 3,221,994\end{array}$	2,388 1,980 187,604 216,779 313,240 14,400 299,730 788,450	17,854 294,285	67 986 1,296 126,007 118,040 139,666 12,117 213,119 413,426 200,307	110,543	25,718 39,658 2,424,759 3,655,662 3,468,260

In addition to engineering works which supply ordinary requirements, there is now a number of large and important establishments which engage in the manufacture of special classes of machinery and implements. The manufacture of mining and smelting machinery and apparatus forms an important section of this industry.

The development of engineering, ironworks, and foundries in the Commonwealth since 1911 is shewn in the following table :---

DEVELOPMENT OF ENGINEERING, IRONWORKS, AND FOUNDRIES, FROM 1911 to 1916.

Items.	1911.	1912.	1913.	1914.	1915.	1916.
Number of factories Actual horse-power of engines used Approx. value of land and buildings Approx, value of plant and machinery Total amount of wages paid Value of fuel used Value of raw material worked up Value of fanal output	820 22,539 16,015 £ 1,579,925 £ 1,706,405 £ 2,342,603 £ 178,546 £ 2,832,181 £ 6,614,535 £ 3,782,354	1,953,478 2,846,180 195,729 3,536,179 7,930,060	2,188,935 3,044,263 217,173 3,719,643 8,315,320	2,264,889 2,946,347 3,143,920 357,071 3,960,252 8,881,777	2,988,650 3,134,873 369,170 4,005,914 8,944,601	956 25,718 39,658 2,424,759 3,655,662 3,468,260 420,139 4,718,516 10,205,424 5,486,908

The progress in these industries during late years has been very rapid. Since 1911 the number of establishments has increased over $16\frac{1}{2}$ per cent., the number of hands employed 14 per cent., the amount of wages paid 48 per cent., the amount of capital invested in land, buildings, plant and machinery, 85 per cent., and the output over 54 per cent.

8. Railway and Tramway Workshops.—(i.) Details for each State. The railway workshops of Australia form an important item in the metal and machinery class, and are chiefly State institutions. The following table gives the details concerning them, but includes also private and municipal establishments for manufacturing and repairing rolling stock :—

Items.	N.S.W. 1915-16,	Vic. 1915.	Q'land. 1916.	S. Aust. 1915.	W. Aust. 1916.	Tas. 1916.	C'w'lth.
Number of factories	40		11	9	8	7	92
" employees	10,222			2,721	1,526	289	22,995
Actual h.p. of engines employed	7,168			596	2,209	205	14,350
Approx. value of land and buildings £	1,113,677	384.379	334,179	269,137	439,776	7,075	2,548,223
Approx. value of plant and mach'ny £	1,094,105	308,167	250,380	196,075	451,315	89,023	2,389,065
Total amt. of wages paid during year £	1,551,900	793,114	397,426	375,996	244,482	46,347	3,409,265
Value of fuel used £	33.846	28,621	6,909	8.701	12,212	1.911	92,200
Value of raw material worked up £	824.354	869.498	199,507	256,243	157.926	16.535	2.324.063
Total value of output £	2,590,051	1.828.874	678,195	710.737	408,305	82,176	6,298,338
Value added in process of manuf'ct're£	1,765.697	959,376	478,688	454,494	250,379	65,641	3,974,275

RAILWAY AND TRAMWAY WORKSHOPS, 1916.

(ii.) Northern Territory Railway Workshops. In addition to the above, a railway workshop is in operation in the Northern Territory. The work is confined almost exclusively to repairs to rolling stock, etc., no new goods being manufactured. For the sake of convenience this establishment is not included in any of the tables in this publication.

(iii.) Development of Railway and Tramway Workshops, 1911 to 1916. The following table shews the development of railway and tramway workshops in the Commonwealth since 1911:—

Items.		1911.	1912.	1913.	1914.	1915.	1916.
Number of factories		72			75		92
" employees	•••	17,425					22,995
Actual horse-power of engines used		. 8,373	9,637	9,581	11,025	12,571	14,350
Approx. value of land and buildings	£	2,036,178	2,128,273	2,213,697	2,378,764	2,471,731	2,548,223
" " plant and machinery	£	1,433,093	1.563.710	1.685.050	2,141,654	2.236.578	2,389,065
Total amount of wages paid	£				3.096.734		
Value of fuel used	£	69,919	75.476	77.155	90.332	90.490	92,200
of raw material worked up	£	1.939.477	2.574.737	2.874.535	2,492,217	2.363.785	2.234.063
" of final output	£				6.134.588		
" added in process of manufacture	Ē				3.642.371		

DEVELOPMENT OF RAILWAY AND TRAMWAY WORKSHOPS, Etc., FROM 1911 to 1916.

The growth of the railway and tramway systems conjointly with heavy increases in passenger and goods traffic throughout the Commonwealth during the past few years has resulted in corresponding activity in workshops engaged in the manufacture or repair of rolling stock, etc. The above table shews that the number of employees increased 32 per cent. during the last five years, the amount of wages paid $57\frac{1}{2}$ per cent., the final output nearly 41 per cent., while the value added in process of manufacture shews an increase of over 57 per cent.

9. Smelting Works, etc.—The subjoined table gives particulars of metal smelting, cyanide, pyrites, and metallurgical works. The classification of these works does not appear to be carried out on an uniform basis in the several States, and the combination of industries is, therefore, somewhat unsatisfactory. The returns do not include particulars of plants used on mines.

Items.	N. S.W. 1915-16.	Vic. 1915.	Q'land. 1916.	S.A. 1915.	W.A.* 1916.	Tas. 1916.	C'w'lth.
Number of factories	29	52	12	6		2	101
" employees Actual horse-power of engines employed	2,957 16,890	272 356	119 701	1,730 3,816		498 2,998	
Approx. value of land and buildings £		10,076	11,675 77.800	19,748 69,240		7,000	
Total am'nt of wages paid during year £	462,822	24.322	20,019	320,437		79,648 65,732	907,248
	224,237 5,399,991	4,529 79,674		180,950 2,600,977		501,973	8,676,781
Total value of output £ Value added in process of manufact're £		$138,241 \\ 58,567$		3,707,286			13,192,143 4,515,362

SMELTING,	CYANIDE,	PYRITES,	Etc.,	WORKS,	1916.
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* See third paragraph below.

In New South Wales and Queensland the above figures represent smelting works; those for Victoria include forty-four cyanide works, two metallurgical, four pyrites, and two smelting works; South Australia four cyanide and two smelting; and Tasmania two smelting works.

The largest output was in New South Wales, viz., £7,884,570, or 59 per cent. on the total output for the Commonwealth. South Australia came next with £3,707,286, or 28 per cent.; this amount is made up of £3,701,688 smelting and £5598 cyanide. For Tasmania, the output of smelting was £1,323,795. The output in Victoria was £53,828, £42,850, £40,595, and £968 from pyrites, smelting, cyanide, and metallurgical works in the order named.

In Western Australia all the plants are worked on the mines and are therefore not included.

10. Bacon-curing Factories.—(i.) Details for each State. The following table gives particulars of factories engaged in bacon-curing in each State :—

Items.	N.S.W. 1915-16.		Q'land. 1916.	S.A. 1915.*	W.A. 1916.	Tas. 1916.	C'w'lth.
Number of factories , employees Actual horse-power of engines employed Approx. value of land and buildings & plant and machinery & Total amount of salaries and wages paid& Value of fuel used	23,714	25 394 933 92,312 60,567 49,672 5,488	8 361 814 102,013 56,110 48,283 5,010	† 12 † 68 146 11,304 5,350 16,163 2,195	3 15 57 4,275 2,150 2,250 409	5 18 63 4,563 1,739 1,710 332	74 1,072 2,317 278,124 149,630 150,502 18,010
Value of raw material worked up £	568,267 632,175	666,534 767,778 101,244	462,402 685,882 223,480	2,195 116,325 149,035 32,710	100,937 106,642 5,705	35,630 38,320 2,690	18,212 1,950,095 2,379,832 429,737

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BACON-CURING FACTORIES, 1916.

* Including two meat preserving establishments employing 110 hands.
† Not including meat preserving.

(ii.) Quantity and Value of Production. The following table shews the number of pigs killed and the quantity and value of the production of bacon-curing factories in each State :--

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Particulars.	N.S.W. 1915-16.	Victoria. 1915.	Q'land. 1916.	S. Aust. 1915.	W. Aust.* 1916.	Tasmania. 1916.	C'wealth
		QUAN	тітч (,000) omitted)			
Bacon & ham 1bs. Lard 1bs.	11,638 556	11,451 570	9,738 622	1,736 78	1,852	641 43	37,056 1,873
		· · · · · ·	VALUE			•	
Bacon & ham \pounds Lard $\dots \pounds$ Other products \pounds	565,421 22,278 36,627	709,599 21,367 36,812	517,099 20,131 148,652	90,013 3,034 3,154	106,773 156 	32,665 1,481 4,174	2,021,570 68,447 229,419
,			PIGS KIL	LED.	·		<u> </u>
Number	143,839	129,259	126,796	19,185	+	7,276	426,355
* In Western Aus	tralia, a r	ortion of th	e bacon an	d ham tres	ted in facto	ories is imp	orted and

PRODUCTION OF BACON-CURING FACTORIES, 1916.

* In Western Australia, a portion of the bacon and ham treated in factories is imported and subsequently smoked in that State. † Not available.

Bacon and ham and other pig products are dealt with more fully in Section IX., Farmyard and Dairy Production.

11. Butter, Cheese, and Condensed Milk Factories.—(i.) Details for each State. The subjoined table gives particulars of butter, cheese, and condensed milk factories in each State. The returns are exclusive of eight butterine and margarine factories in New South Wales and Victoria employing 116 hands, the value of the output being £313,865, but include butterine and margarine factories in Western Australia.

BUTTER, CHEESE, AND CONDENSED MILK FACTORIES, 1916.

Items.	N.S.W. 1915-16-	Vie. 1915.	Q'land. 1916.	S.A. 1915.	W.A.* 1916.	Тав. 1916.	C'w'lth.
Number of factories	167 1.007	190 1,194	122 816	· 44 152			559 3,287
Actual horse-power of engines employed Approximate value of land and buildings	2,891	2,921	1,863	387 36.187	46 12.600	221	8,329
" " plant & machinery £	287,253	310,412 334,548	210,622	27,049	2,812	18,983	881,267
Total amount of wages paid £ Value of fuel used £	28,508		14,281	12,153 2,328	229	866	70,053
Total value of output £	3,607,288	2,715,784	1,759,561 2,203,371	235,209 264,930	29,017	$126,722 \\ 153,677$	8,974,067
Value added in process of manufacture £	353,737	351,470	443,810	29,721	4,778	26,955	1,210,471

* Including butterine and margarine.

(ii.) Development of Factories, 1911 to 1916. The following table shews the progress of the factories in this industry during the past five years:—

DEVELOPMENT OF BUTTER, CHEESE, AND CONDENSED MILK FACTORIES IN THE COMMONWEALTH, 1911 to 1916.

Items.	1911.	1912.	1913.	1914.	1915.	1916.
		[
Number of factories		530	531	528	536	559
" employees … 、		3,518	3,507	3,568	3,300	3,287
Actual horse-power of engines used		8,156	7,726	7,895	7,948	8,329
Approx. value of land and buildings	677,139	659,673	664,735	664,999	683,413	734,686
" " plant and machinery	6 775,792	788,922	828,986	850,770	852,260	881,267
Total amount of wages paid	8 375,221	385,793	411,491	439,121	408,181	403,136
Value of fuel used	67,555	70,155	72,214	81,809	71,796	70,053
	8,341,125		8,146,178	8,709,272	8,040,316	7,763,596
	6 9,432,122		9,284,747	9,898,398	9,203,041	8,974,067
Value added in process of manufacture	1,090,997	1,083,859	1,138,569	1,189,126	1,162,725	1,210,471
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(iii.) Quantity and Value of Production. The following table shews the quantity and value of butter, cheese, and condensed milk produced, and the quantity of milk used in butter, cheese, and condensed milk factories in each State :---

Particulars.	N.S.W. 1915-16.	Victoria. 1915.	Q'land. 1916.	S. Aust. 1915.	W. Aust. 1916.	Таз. 1916-	C'w'lth.
	ବ	UANTITY	(,000 OM	IITTED).			
Butter Ibs. Cheese , Condensed and concen-	55,352 3,951	37,594 2,130	26,924 8,424	2,983 1,410 .	358 	2,137 449	125,348 16,364
trated milk lbs.	4,918	16,690	6,584			·	28,192
		VALUE (,000 омі	TTED).			
Butter £ Cheese £ Condensed and concen-	3,286 140	2,245 79	1,726 301	212 52	26 	131 17	7,626 589
trated milk £	92	383	176				651
	N	IILK USE	D (,000 C	MITTED)	•		' <u></u>
Butter factoriesgals. Cheese	127,268 4,190	85,570 2,185	62,351 8,321	6,075 1,377	699 	5,341 451	287,304 16,524
Condensed milk factories ,,	1,400	5,455	1,964				8,819

PRODUCTION OF BUTTER, CHEESE, AND CONDENSED MILK FACTORIES, 1916.

The butter, cheese and condensed milk industries are dealt with more fully in Section IX., Farmyard and Dairy Production.

12. Meat and Fish Preserving, Ice and Refrigerating Works.—These industries are now of considerable importance in Australia. Large freezing works have been installed at many ports in the Commonwealth for the purpose of freezing produce chiefly for export, while insulated space for the carriage of frozen produce is provided by a number of steamship companies trading between Australia and other parts of the world. Extensive meat freezing and canning works have recently been erected in the Northern Territory at Darwin at a cost to date of £700,000, and it is estimated that, on completion, the expenditure will have reached three-quarters of a million. The Commonwealth Government has entered into an agreement with the proprietors in regard to the carriage of cattle at special rates provided that private owners of cattle may have their stock treated under reasonable terms and conditions. Operations were commenced early in 1917, and between April and August 18,911 cattle were treated. When the works are in full operation it is expected that from 400 to 500 head of stock will be treated daily. Particulars regarding the export of frozen beef and mutton may be found on pages 314 and 318 hereof respectively.

The particulars given in the subjoined table include ice-making and freezing works, and also meat-canning factories, separate particulars for each item for all the States not being available.

MEAT	AND	FISH	PRESERVING.	ICE	AND	REFRIGERATING	WORKS.	1916.

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Items.	N.S.W. 1915-16.	Vic. 1915.	Q'lpd. 1916.	S.A. 1915-	W.A. 1916.	Tas. 1916.	C'w'lth.
Number of factories memployees Actual horse-power of engines employed Approx. value of land and buildings £	5,765 708,662		11,042 1,314,061	*158,851	20 120 1,102 48,124	6 30 151 9,800	24J 7,451 .24,673 2,655,996
plant and machinery £ Total amount of wages paid during year £ Value of fuel used £	167,835 40,002	240,878 134,472 27,222	542,079 65,850		57,810 18,085 7,789	6,016 3,204 2,148	1,852,348 891,741 150,379
	2,472,379 2,870,460 398,081	1,136,622	4,428,594 5,595,575 1,166,981		5,443 39,238 33,795	1.539 12,036 10,497	7 834 800 9,725 188 1,890,338

* Excluding two meat preserving establishments employing 110 hands.

The following table gives particulars, so far as available, of meat tinned during the year :--

Output.	N.S.W. 1915-16.	Vic. 1915.	Q'land. 1916.	S. Aust. 1915.	W. Aust. 1916.	Tas. 1916.	C'w'lth.
Tinned Meat Cwt.	44,582*	40,927	217,571†	1,488‡			304,568

MEAT PRESERVING WORKS-OUTPUT, 1916.

* Also 7,340 cwt. tinned rabbits. † Also 3,452 cwt. salted meat. ‡ Exclusive of large quantity of tinned rabbits, particulars of which are not available for publication.

Large quantities of rabbits, hares, and poultry, for which, however, complete returns are not available, were treated in freezing works. During 1915, over 3,300,000 rabbits and hares were treated in Victoria alone. Exclusive of Victoria, for which State particulars are not available, the returns shew that 92,296 tons of ice, valued at £174,426, were manufactured in the Commonwealth in 1916.

Full particulars of quantities and value of beef, mutton, and lamb preserved by cold process, exported from the Commonwealth during a series of years, will be found in Section VII., *Pastoral Production*.

13. Biscuit Factories.—The following table gives particulars regarding establishments at which the manufacture of biscuits, cakes, etc., was carried on in each State during the year 1916:—

Items.	N.S.W. 1915-16,	Vic. 1915.	Q'land. 1916.	S.A. 1915.	W.A. 1916.	Таз. 1916.	C'wlth.
Number of factories employees Actual horse-power of engines employed Approx. value of land and buildings £ plant and machinery £ Total amount of wages paid during year £ Value of fuel used £ Value of raw material worked up £ Total value of output £ Value dof output £ Value of noccess of manufacture £	9,646 516,684 768,876	7 1,361 362 72,750 61,068 111,794 9,925 424,234 669,841 245,607	21 561 301 65,012 43,860 55,935 2,741 157,421 157,421 278,189 120,768	3 127 76 18,350 11,102 8,860 1,617 33,665 61,114 27,449	5 139 132 14,415 18,088 10,154 1,333 40,700 60,392 19,682		1,892,584

BISCUIT, Etc., FACTORIES, 1916.

14. Jam and Fruit Preserving, Pickles, Sauces, and Vinegar.—The jam and fruit preserving industry has increased in importance of late years, consequent on the extension of fruit-growing. As an exporting industry it is comparatively recent, but is of increasing value, and has shewn considerable expansion during the past three years. During the year ended 30th June, 1917, 45,074,352 lbs. of jams and jellies, valued at £949,112, were exported from the Commonwealth. The subjoined table gives particulars of factories at which these industries were carried on in each State during the year. Separate returns for the individual industries are not available for most of the States.

JAM	AND	FRUIT	PRESERVING,	PICKLES,	SAUCES,	AND	VINEGAR,	
			FACTOR	RIES; 1916.				

Items.	N.S.W. 1915-16.	Vic. 1915.	Q'land. 1916.	S.A. 1915.	W.A. 1916.	Tas. 1916.	C'wlth.
Number of factories	$ \begin{array}{r} 1,160\\ 488\\ 115,333\\ 60.831 \end{array} $	30 1,689 393 126,875 57,621 135,768 8,918 666,122	22 334 100 18,904 15,067 22,416 1,082 75,998	26 422 122 34,160 17,048 25,441 2,129 131,845	8 66 30 5,627 2,035 3,663 326 11,496	17 998 521 66,378 32,927 80,742 6,459 475,125	139 4,669 1,714 367,277 185,529 365,928 24,941 1,919,102
	738,980	1,009,533 343,411	127,464 51,466	193,511 61,666	18,719		2,775,635 856,533

The following table shews the quantity and value of jams, pickles, and sauces manufactured in each State:—

Particulars.	N.S.W. 1915-16.	Victoria. 1915.	Q'land. 1916.	S. Aust. 1915.	W. Aust. 1916,	Tas. 1916.	C'wealth.
		QUANTIT	ч (,000 о	MITTED)			
Fruit, preserved Pickles p	lbs. 32,022 lbs. 2,390 ints 2,739 ints 3,106	34,210 5,929 1,286 5,827	1,686 5,264 *100 348	8,211 1,852 238 928	t 88 336	29,201 †3,712 29 67	\$105,330 19,147 4,480 10,612
			VALUE.				
Jams Fruit, preserved Pickles Sauces	£ 522,365 £ 40,856 £ 51,710 £ 65,334	697,854 95,925 38,009 177,745	33,405 60,892 3,604 6,098	128,679 29,140 4,571 17,691	t 2,140 5,919	525,512 66,687 604 1,357	\$1,907,815 293,500 100,638 274,144

QUANTITY AND VALUE OF JAMS, PICKLES, AND SAUCES MANUFACTURED, 1916.

* Approximate. † Exclusive of 71,724 cwt. fruit pulped, value £90,147. ‡ Information not available for publication. § Exclusive of Western Australia.

15. Confectionery.— The following table shews the present position of the confectionery industry. Its growth will be apparent when it is stated that at the close of 1900 there were in New South Wales only 16 establishments, with 706 employees, and in Victoria 16 establishments, employing 731 persons, the plant and machinery in the former State being valued at £2815, and in the latter at £19,070.

CONFECTIONERY FACTORIES, 1916.

Items.	N.S.W. 1915-16		Q'land. 1916.	S.A. 1915.	W.A. 1916.	· Tas. 1916.	C'w'lth.
Number of factories employees Actual horse-power of engines employed Approx. value of land and buildings £ mean plant and machinery £ Total amount of wages paid during year £ Value of fuel used £	103,501	1,987 899 112,041 113,320 149,384	9 480 147 30,712 22,041 34,443 1,521	9 285 244 31,339 33,228 19,186 2,351	4 152 184 24,875 19,068 12,624 1,122	4 25 20 11,550 3,193 2,426 156	117 4,570 2,181 462,555 294,351 377,310 27,662
Value of raw material worked up £	681,405 1,003,745	542,849	61,659 133,036 71,377	63,676 104,560 40,884	42,042 61,186 19,144	14,820	1,406,451 2,173,675

16. Flour Mills.—The following table shews the position of the flour-milling industry :--

FLOUR MILLS, 1916.

Items.	N.S.W. 1915-16.	Vic. 1915.	Q'land. 1916.	8.A. 1915 •	W.A. 1916 *	Tas. 1916	C'w'lth.
Number of factories	63	51	12	42	16	13	197
employees	1,026	651	212	469	287	124	2 769
Actual horse-power of engines employed Approx. value of land and buildings £	4,891 394.087	3,887	993 73,920	2,614 117.077	1,984 99,418	524 47.200	14,893 943 317
plant and machinery £		250,186	78.441	141.861	100.356	29,400	937.226
Total am'nt of wages paid during year £	147,724	70,982	35,548	48,043	39,281	15 281	356,859
Value of fuel used £	22,956	15,029	3,157	8,469	6,436	3,960	60,007
		2,368,489	563,526	857 046	792,624	359.902	8,165 566
Total value of output £	3,676,602	2,739,730	647,586	969,937	938,177		9,364,988
Value added in process of manufactive £	452.623	371.241	84.060	112,891	145.553	33.054	1.199.422

* The manufacture of cornflour, catmeal, etc., was also carried on in some of these establishments.

The production of flour by the mills in each State of the Commonwealth in the years 1911 to 1916 was as follows :—

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	Sth. Aust.	West. Aust.	Tasmania.	C'wealth.
	Tons.*	Tons.*	Tons.*	Tons.*	Tons.*	Tons.*	Tons.*
1911	253,556	247,434	27,960	100,374	40,642	21,335	691,301
1912	255,359	225,376	25,855	103.100	49,319	18,044	677,053
1913	285,425	252,763	33,889	107,994	61,997	18,545	760,613
1914	266,302†	246,136	35,402	84,701	61,922	19,382	713,845
1915	266,302	134,401	39,734	49,404	32,396	19,573	541,810
1916‡	254,393	134,401	42,559	49,404	70,912	25,369	577,038

FLOUR MILLS-PRODUCTION 1911 to 1916.

* Tons of 2000 lbs. † Year ended 30th June, 1915. ‡ See note ‡ first table this section.

The total production of flour for the Commonwealth for the last year, viz., 577,038 tons, was valued at £7,569,145; in addition 257,385 tons of bran and pollard, valued at £1,648,676, were made. The total quantity of wheat ground was 28,117,519 bushels.

17. Sugar Mills.—The following table shews the position of the cane-crushing branch of the sugar-making industry. This industry is carried on in Queensland and New South Wales, the only States of the Commonwealth in which the sugarcane is grown.

Items.	N.S.W. 1915-16.	Queensland. 1916.	Total.
Number of factories , employees Actual horse-power of engines employed Approximate value of land and buildings , , plant and machinery Total amount of wages paid during year Value of fuel used Value of raw material worked up Total value of output	 $\begin{array}{r} & 3\\ & 463\\ 1,768\\ 54,000\\ 481,027\\ 50,811\\ & 4,270\\ 222,748\\ 356,368\end{array}$	$\begin{array}{r} 42\\ 4,528\\ 13,473\\ 354,738\\ 2,757.585\\ 478,680\\ 55,569\\ 2,089,131\\ 3,180,804\end{array}$	45 4,991 15,241 408,738 3,238,612 529,491 59,839 2,311,879 3,537,172

SUGAR MILLS, 1916.

The product of the sugar mill is raw sugar and molasses, the former being sent to the refineries in different parts of Australia for further treatment. Part of the molasses produced is used in distillation, part is turned into food cake for cattle, and part is used for manuring land, but a considerable quantity is run to waste. The following tables shew the progress of this industry in each State from the dates at which information is first obtainable :—

Items.	1870.	1877.	1886.	1896.	1901.	1911.	1912.	1913.	1914-15.	1915-16.
No. of factories ,, employees Cane crushed the Sugar produced		50 1,065 *	64 2,259 *	23 1,475	12 * ⁶⁹⁵	4 469 167,799		3 486 185,910	3 437 181,606	3 463 157,748
Molasses pro-		7,537	13,750	28,557	19,519	17,299		22,192	20,029	19,144
ducedgals.		345,543	507,000		1,300,909		667,100	966,000	1,104,000	1,099,000

SUGAR MILLS, NEW SOUTH WALES, 1870 to 1916.

The reduction in the number of New South Wales mills is due chiefly to the tendency towards concentration of cane-crushing in mills fitted with modern machinery, and the consequent closing of the small home mill. On the north coast of New South Wales some land formerly devoted to sugar-growing has been turned into pasture in connection with the dairying industry.

Items.	1868.	1876.	1886.	1896.	1901.	1911.	1914.	1915.	1916.
No. of factories , employees Cane crushed tons Sugar produced tons Molasses.—		70 * †7,245 8,214	118 +40,756 59,225	63 3,796 †66,640 100,774	52 †78,160 120,858	49 4,295 1,534,451 173,296	47 4,835 1,922.633 225,847	44 4,220 1,152,516 140,496	42 4,528 1,579,514 176,973
Sold to distillers gals Used as fodder gals Used as Manure gals Run to waste or burnt tgals	+	*	*	•	• }	789,564 223,000 1,847,333	476,556 3,278,841	1,847,112 64,400 1,892,201	54,600 3,232,835
In stock Total Molasses ‡ gals		416,415	1,784,266	2,195,470		1,197,626 6,451,192	977,629 8,006,220	869,914 5,736,925	797,084 6,342,439

SUGAR MILLS, QUEENSLAND, 1868 to 1916.

* No record. † Acres crushed. ‡ Quantity recorded; large quantities run to waste of which no record is kept. § Including 135,390 gallons syrup.

Information regarding the cultivation of sugar-cane may be found in the section of this book dealing with Agricultural Production. (See pages 371 to 374.)

18. Sugar Refineries.—The establishment of the sugar-refining industry considerably antedates the establishment of the sugar-milling industry, the raw material operated upon being originally brought chiefly from Mauritius and the East. In 1916 there were two sugar refineries in each of the States of Victoria and Queensland, and one in each of the States of New South Wales and South Australia. The returns for the individual States cannot be disclosed.

In the six refineries in the Commonwealth, an average number of 1617 hands was employed during the year. The approximate value of land and buildings was $\pounds 448,871$; of plant and machinery, $\pounds 1,051,171$; and the total amount of wages paid during the year was $\pounds 222,000$. The value of all materials used in sugar refineries was $\pounds 4,965,992$, while the total output reached $\pounds 5,816,915$. The amount of crude sugar used was 263,479 tons, and of refined sugar produced 251,764 tons, valued at $\pounds 5,789,562$.

19. Breweries.—(i.) Details for each State. The following table gives particulars of breweries in each State:—

Items.	N.S.W. 1915-16.	Victoria. 1915.	Q'land. 1916.	S. Aust. 1915.	W. Aust. 1916.	Tas. 1916.	C'w'lth.
Number of factories	24	00	10			5	
		22	10		14		86
"employees …		903	385	348	486	117	3,179
Actual horse power of		1 1		· ·			1
engines employed	2,507	3,199	619	990	1,430	137	8,882
Approx. value of land and							
buildings £	623,919	434.295	133,132	99,985	176.931	396,450	1.864,712
Approx. value of plant and	010,010	101,000	100,102	00,000	2.0,00-		
machinery £	619.498	419.896	124.011	106.561	203,164	45,716	1,518,846
Total amount of wages		419,090	124,011	100,001	200,101	40,110	1,010,040
		1 700 0000			00.000	20.813	500.000
paid during year £	172.300	159,870	63,755	53,573	89,693		560,004
Value of fuel used £	33,007	23,692	8,087	8,198	11,626	2,765	87,375
Value of raw material							ł
worked up £	676.287	481.327	127.942	107.304	122,574	33,181	1.548.615
Total value of output £	1.454.641	1,061,196	496,834	309,526	441,172	108,675	3.872.044
Value added by process of				000,020			
manufacture £	778.354	579.869	368,892	202,222	318,598	75,494	2,323,429
manalacture 2	110,004	212,003	300,094	202,222	010,000	10,101	2,040,423

BREWERIES, 1916.

(ii.) Production and Materials Used. The following table shews the quantity and value of ale and stout brewed and the quantity of raw materials used in each State during the year:--

		0000110			00-0			<u>.</u>
Partic	ulars.	N.S.W. 1915-16.	Victoria. 1915.	Q'land. 1916.	S. Aust. 1915.	W. Aust. 1916.	Tasmania. 1916.	C'wealth
	-		ALE A	ND STOU	T BREWE	D.		
Quantity Value *	gallons £	22,997,466 1,033.045	20,339,924 1,061,196	5,483.575 496,834	5,030,354 304,398	5,298,607 426,361	1,732,165 108,127	60,882,091 3,429,961
			RAW	MATERIA	ALS USED	•		
Malt Hops Sugar	bush. lbs. cwt.	666,088 849,161 104,460	600,333 661,299 111,363	162,424 228,055 33,348	118,086 160,593 31,774	159,284 205,608 26,288	64,383 97,530 6,504	1,770,598 2,202,246 313,737
RAW	MATER	NALS USE	ED PER 10	00 GALLO	ONS OF AI	E AND S	TOUT PRO	DUCED.
Malt Hops Sugar	bush. lbs. cwt.	28.96 36.92 4.54	29.52 32.51 5.48	29.62 41.59 6.08	23.47 31.92 6.32	30.06 38.80 4.96	37.17 56.31 3.75	29.08 36.17 5.15

PRODUCTION AND MATERIALS USED IN BREWERIES, 1916.

* Exclusive of excise duty.

(iii.) Development of Breweries, 1911 to 1916. The following table shews the progress of this industry during the past six years :--

DEVELOPMENT OF BREWERIES FROM 1911 to 1916.

Items.	1911.	1912.	1913.	1914.	1915.	1916.
Latural heres nomen of ongines used	3,4 3,4 £ 1,469,44 £ 970,61 £ 483,33 £ 69,32 £ 1,273,55 £ 3,318,32 £ 2,045,41	0 3,532 8 5,678 9 1,526,629 8 1,078,724 3 523,812 4 76,906 2 1,494,070 17 3,647,850	3,551 6,930 1,554,187 1,171,595 552,843 75,824 1,568,620 3,817,396	95 3,535 8,313 1,860,584 1,433,616 575,446 86,175 1,534,656 4,107,498 2,572,842	8,430 1,872,535 1,452,639 548,632 81,252 1,494,974 3,869,786	

The main feature in the history of the brewing industry, which was established at an early date in Australia, has been the change from the small local brewery in every township of moderate size to the large centralised city brewery. This, however, has not been so much in evidence during the period embraced in the above table, the reduction of the number of establishments during recent years being mainly due to several large amalgamations. The total value of output of breweries in the Commonwealth increased from $\pounds 3,318,937$ in 1911 to $\pounds 3,872,044$ in 1916, and the quantity of ale and stout brewed during the same period increased from 56,346,263 to 60,882,091 gallons. The average production per head of mean population was practically the same for the two years, being 12.55 gallons per head for 1911 and 12.41 for 1916.

20. Distilleries.—The subjoined table gives particulars of distilleries in four States. There are no distilleries in Western Australia or Tasmania.

DISTILLERIES,	1916.
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Items.	N.S.W. 1915-16.		Qld. 1916.	S.A. 1915.	W.A 1916.	Tas. 1916.	C'wlth.
omployees	 3 31 114 20,230 62,672 6,146 1,664 39,091 63,041 23,950	9 92 217 103,985 76,549 10,883 2,947 32,209 61,604 29,395	3 39 52 13,000 17,500 5,573 1,460 6,057 33,233 27,176	19 83 222 29,023 26,125 6,690 1,960 38,108 57,657 19,549			34 245 605 166,238 182,846 29,292 8,031 115,465 215,535 100,070

The total quantity of rum distilled during the year was 458,961, of whisky 120,157, of brandy 113,139, and of other spirits 1,734,182 proof gallons. The materials used comprised 396,981 cwt. of molasses and sugar, and 2,019,421 gallons of wine. Partfculars for the separate States are not available for publication.

21. Tobacco, Cigars, and Cigarettes.-(i.) Details for each State. During the year there were thirty-one establishments in which the manufacture of tobacco, cigars, and cigarettes was carried on. There were no factories engaged in this industry in Tasmania.

Items.	N.S.W. 1915-16.	Vic. 1915.	Qld. 1916.	S.A. 1915.	W.A. 1916.‡	Tas. 1916.	C'w'lth.
	1,969 495 220,217 130,617 198,558 6,543 1,356,206 1,952,871	13 1,601 375 177,365 111,410 185,889 2,916 731,948 1,199,660 467,712	2 99 26 5,114 8,491 8,446 232 29,740 60.798 31,058	2 31 5,319 2,535 * * *	6 39 18 4,053 900 1,542 29 6,310 10,104 3,794		35 3,739 914 412,068 253,953 †394,435 †3,720 †2,124,204 *3,223,433 †1,099,229

TOBACCO.	CIGAR.	AND	CIGARETTE	FACTORIES,	1916.

+ Exclusive of South Australia. * Not available for publication. ‡ Including four condiment establishments.

(ii.) Quantity of Goods Produced, and Tobacco Leaf Used. The following table shews the quantity of goods produced in tobacco factories in each State, and the quantities of imported and Australian-grown leaf used :---

Particulars.	N.S.W. 1915-16.	Victoria. 1915.	Q'land. 1916.	S. Aust. 1915.	W. Aust. 1916.	Tas. 1916.	C'w'lth.
	Q	UANTITY	(,000 ом	ITTED).			
Cigars 1	bs. 5,041 bs. 99 No. 8,638 bs. 3,043 No. 1,352,666	5,023 263 22,677 308 138,111	*	* *	9 * 1 +		10,306 §362 §31,315 §3,351 §1,490,777
	Товасс	O LEAF	USED (,C	00 omit'	red).		
	os. 988 os. 6,363	516 4,415	*	*	et ·		1,730

PRODUCTION OF TOBACCO FACTORIES AND QUANTITY OF LEAF USED, 1916.

* Not available for publication. † For tobacco and cigarettes only. ‡ Included with tobacco. § Incomplete.

(iii.) Development of Industry. This industry was among the first to be established in Australia. In 1861 New South Wales had eleven factories, producing 177,744 lbs. of manufactured tobacco; in the same year there was one factory in Victoria, but the quantity of tobacco manufactured is not available. The Australian market has for many years been largely supplied with local manufactures. The quantities imported into Australia during 1916-17 were-manufactured tobacco 1,645,325 lbs., cigars 149,500 lbs., and cigarettes 163,581 lbs., while the quantities manufactured in Australian factories were respectively 10,306,085 lbs., 361,592 lbs., and 3,350,643 lbs. The following tables shew the development of the tobacco manufacturing industry in the Commonwealth during recent years :---

DEVELOPMENT OF TOBACCO. CIGAR. AND CIGARETTE FACTORIES IN THE COMMONWEALTH, 1911 to 1916.

	Iten	15.		1911.	1912.	1913.	1914.	1915. ‡	191 6. ‡
Number of fact Number of emp Actual horse-pc Approx. value of Approx. value of Total amount o Value of fuel us Value of fuel us Value of final ou Value of final ou Value added in	engines and bui t and ma s paid worked	used ldings chinery up	$\begin{array}{c} & 33\\ & 3.730\\ & 1.045\\ \pounds & 373.895\\ \pounds & 214.576\\ \pounds & 346.258\\ \pounds & 4.488\\ \pounds & 1.468.212\\ \pounds & 2.518.946\\ \pounds & 1.050.734\\ \end{array}$	3,484 917 349,022 227,294 358,081 4,267 1,622,713 2,696,157	3,566 1,119 353,447 231,547 373,963 4,053 1,651,226 2,713,363	3,658 808 402,462 248,532 380,821 7,365 1,905,489 3,006,482	3,547 826 404,593 241,591 * 370,227 * 7,607 *1,959,525 *3,041.050	3,739 914 412,068 253,953 *394,435	
				PRODUCT	ION.				
Tobacco made Cigars Cigarettes Leaf used	: 	 	1000 lbs	. 10,048 356 2,164 10,993	10,298 389 2,606 11,827	9,956 406 2,768 11,677	9,964 401 3,197 12,091	9,776 *365 3,175 *11,858	10,306 †362 †3,351 12,541

* Exclusive of two factories in South Australia. † Incomplete. ‡ Including four condiment establishments in Western Australia.

22. Woollen, Cotton, and Tweed Mills.--(i.) Details for each State. The manufacture of woollens and tweeds was established in Australia at an early period in its history, and was under Government control, the first record in New South Wales dating back to 1801, when a few blankets were made by the convicts; the first record in Victoria was in 1867. The following table, which gives particulars of the mills in each State, shews that the industry is now well established :---

WOOLLEN, COTTON, AND TWEED MILLS, 1916.

Items.	N.S.W. 1915-16.		Q'ld. 1916.	S.A. 1915.	W.A. 1916.	Tas. 1916.	C'wlth.
omployoog	£ 129,755 £ 192,457	10 2,063 2,679 136,395 265,267 170,888 21,962 487,140 931,774 444,634	2 221 220 15,373 26,616 16,901 * *	- 2 216 261 16,900 29,523 24,798 * *	···· ··· ···	4 258 148 20,950 39,808 18,977 1,546 40,018 91,275 51,257	23 3,927 5,538 319,273 553,671 357,137 40,283 971,144 1,888,115 916,971

* As there are only two factories in each of the States of Queensland and South Australia, particulars of output, etc., are not disclosed; the amounts, however, are included in the totals for the Commonwealth.

(ii.) Progress of Industry, 1911 to 1916. The progress of woollen and tweed manufactories in the Commonwealth during the last six years is shewn in the following table :---

DEVELOPMENT OF WOOLLEN, COTTON, AND TWEED MILLS IN THE COMMONWEALTH FROM 1911 to 1916.

Items.	1911.	1912.	1913.	1914.	1915. *	1916. *
Number of factories employees Actual horse-power of engines used Approx. value of land and buildings plant and machinery Total amount of wages paid Value of fuel used Value of finel outed Value of finel outed Value of an material worked up Value added in process of manufacture	 32 3,200 3,444 283,115 478,859 203,194 20,863 447,829 860,789 412,960	32 3,379 3,692 307,049 497,827 232,561 232,709 468,728 930,485 461,757	22 3,090 4,358 299,306 516,659 231,018 21,778 475,637 925,602 449,965	$\begin{array}{r} 22\\ 3,290\\ 5,072\\ 311,391\\ 532,084\\ 257,590\\ 27,306\\ 603,387\\ 1,152,657\\ 549,270\end{array}$	$\begin{array}{r} 22\\ 3,620\\ 5,364\\ 310,114\\ 537,849\\ 313,826\\ 36,275\\ 836,298\\ 1,615,223\\ 778,925\end{array}$	

*Excluding manufactures of hosiery and knitted goods, numbering 13 establishments in 1912, included in New South Wales returns previous to 1913.

(iii.) Quantity and Value of Production. The production of the woollen mills of Australia consists chiefly of tweed cloths, flannels, and blankets, all of which have acquired a reputation for purity and durability. Detailed particulars for the several States are not available for publication. The total length of tweed and cloth manufactured in the Commonwealth during 1916 was 4,707,548 yards. In New South Wales in 1915-16, 2,447,910 yards of tweed and cloth, and in Victoria in 1915, 1,331,137 yards were manufactured. The production of flannel in the Commonwealth amounted to 6,083,392 yards, while blankets, shawls, and rugs to the number of 1,097,178 were manufactured.

No cotton spinning or weaving, or linen weaving is carried on in Australia. Cotton ginning has been carried on intermittently in the northern States, and a mill was lately reopened at Ipswich in Queensland.

23. Boots and Shoes.—(i.) Details for each State. Among the manufactories of Australia the boot and shoe industry holds an important place both in respect to the employment afforded and the extent of its output. The following table shews latest available particulars of this industry for each State:—

Items.	N.S.W. 1915-16.	Vic. 1915.	Q'land. 1916	S.A. 1915.	W.A. 1916.	Tas 1916-	C'w'lth.
Number of factories , employees Actual horse-power of engines employed Approx. value of land and buildings £ Total amt. of wages paidduring year £ Value of fuel used £	1.248 295,521 153,165 413,414 7,417	174 6,847 1,362 278,145 205,538 625,886 11,742	26 1,076 371 36,675 26,578 102,250 1,109	26 719 167 46,785 25,969 62,907 1,356	13 231 49 20,437 9,450 23,246 529	10 250 52 15,110 8,137 16,997 95	352 13,322 3,249 692,673 428,837 1,244,700 22,248
Value of raw material worked up £ Total value of output £ Value added in process of manufacture £	1,428,757	1,502,285 2,436,673 934,388	194,336 367,914 173,578	129,083 213,398 84,315	65,882 98,604 32,722	71,976	2,793,391 4,617,322 1,823,931

BOOT AND SHOE FACTORIES, 1916.

(ii.) Progress of Industry, 1911 to 1916. The progress of the industry in the last six years is shewn in the following table :--

DEVELOPMENT OF BOOT AND SHOE FACTORIES IN THE COMMONWEALTH, 1911 to 1916.

Items.	1911.	1912.	1913.	1914.	1915.	1916.
Number of employees	341 13,772 2,405 £ 565,735 £ 389,879 £ 1,096,575 £ 16,792 £ 2,151,101 £ 3,713,948 £ 1,562,847	398,014 1,144,465 17,244 2,184,750 3,819,371	346 13,456 2,823 629,787 429,994 1,154,658 18,073 2,308,194 4,004,486 1,696,292	$\begin{array}{r} 13,192\\ 3,091\\ 656,576\\ 415,695\\ 1,193,900\\ 18,902\\ 2,437,169\\ 4,156,590\end{array}$	358 13,175 3,029 677,307 418,529 1,220,987 20,713 2,673,016 4,486,885 1,813,869	

Although the average number of employees in boot and shoe factories shews a slight decline during the past six years, a substantial and consistent advance in the value of output is in evidence during the same period. This is doubtless partly attributable to the increase in mechanical power employed, and the introduction of improved plant and machinery, the value of which was £428,837 in 1916, as compared with £389,879 in 1911.

(iii.) Quantity and Value of Production. The number and value of boots, shoesand slippers made at factories in each State are shewn in the following table :---

Particulars.		N.S.W. 1915-16.	Vic. 1915.	Q'land. 1916.	S. Aust. 1915.	W. Aust. 1916.	Tas. 1916.	C'w'lth
		QUAN	гітч (,С	ЮО ОМІТ	TED).			
Boots and shoes Slippers Uppers*	pairs pairs pairs	3,550 291 44	5,257 191 14	729 14 34	619 23 16	217 2 	165 7 	10,537 528 108

PRODUCTION OF BOOT AND SHOE FACTORIES, 1916.

VALUE.

Boots and sh Slippers Uppers*	10es 	 £ £	1,351,594 34,393 12,440	2,414,123 19,000 3,550	336,093 2.729 13,219	197,116 4,019 4,122	89,667 640 	67,951 1,485 	4,456,544 62,256 33,331
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Made for other than factory use.

24. Clothing (Tailoring and Slop) Factories .- The importance of this industryin the several States and in the Commonwealth as a whole is shewn in the following table :---

CLOTHING (TAILORING AND SLOP) FACTORIES, 1916.

Items.	N.S.W. 1915-16.	Vic. 1915.	Q'land. 1916.	S.A. 1915.	W.A. 1916.	Tas. 1916.	C'wlth.
Total value of output	10,544 746 875,701 69,338	467 602,230 83,539 633,545 13,398 1,279,278 2,315,842	$\begin{array}{r} 3,744\\ 261\\ 263,260\\ 42,449\\ 229,612\\ 4,225\\ 487,799\\ 902,995\end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 127\\ 2,254\\ 103\\ 145,384\\ 14,199\\ 129,068\\ 3,139\\ 174,702\\ 367,223\\ 192,521\end{array}$	60 969 62 101.775 9,456 78,766 1,816 147,643 263,639 115,996	2,959 34,068 448 45,121 100,127	$\begin{array}{r} 1,274\\ 28,232\\ 1,647\\ 2,058,674\\ 221,940\\ 1,889,195\\ 34,767\\ 3,403,019\\ 6,447,853\\ 3,044,834\end{array}$

The substantial development that has taken place in the tailoring and slop branch of this industry may be accepted as an indication of the general prosperity of the community. The value of the output increased from £5,486,388 in 1911 to £6,447,853. in 1916, or approximately 17¹/₂ per cent.

DEVELOPMENT OF CLOTHING (TAILORING AND SLOP) FACTORIES IN THE COMMONWEALTH FROM 1911 to 1916.

Items.	1911.	1912.	1913.	1914.	1915.	1916.
, employees Actual horse-power of engines used Approx. value of land and buildings plant and machinery Total amount of wages paid Value of fuel used raw material worked up	£ 28,561 £ 2,610,348 £ 5,486,388	31,068 1,206 2,155,643 173,706 2,010,779 29,550 2,696,987 5,807,431	$\begin{array}{r} 191.752\\ 2,075.916\\ 31.219\\ 2,732.241\\ 5.878.119\end{array}$	$\begin{array}{r} 29,774\\ 1,257\\ 2,219,346\\ 209,167\\ 1,979,088\\ 31,825\\ 2,864,893\\ 5,953,001 \end{array}$	1,297 28,616 1,323 2,195,419 214,967 1,895,146 33,312 3,026,134 6,125,272 3,029,138	1,274 28,232 1,647 2,058,674 221,940 1,889,195 34,767 3,403,019 6,447,853 3,044,834

25. Dressmaking and Millinery.—Particulars of dressmaking and millinery establishments are given in the following table :—

Items.	N.S.W. 1915-16		Q'land. 1916.	S. Aust. 1915.	W. A. 1916.	Tas. 1916.	C'w'lth.
Number of factories	388,001 20,774 235,386 2,397 326,290 708,573	291 446,201 45,829 373,607 6,879 736,727 1,348,923	54 1,350 22 46,230 6,533 57,766 433 95,120 202,556 107,436	46 763 13 30,714 3,575 30,403 409 40,260 91,888 51,628	50 718 21 47,820 4,579 39,023 548 50,612 96,433 45,821	17 302 7 15,800 767 13,192 80 17,746 32,893 15,147	890 16,383 509 974,766 82,057 • 749,377 10,746 1,266,755 2,481,266 1,214,511

DRESSMAKING AND MILLINERY ESTABLISHMENTS, 1916.

The development of dressmaking and millinery establishments in the Commonwealth during the past six years is shewn in the following table:—

DEVELOPMENT OF DRESSMAKING AND MILLINERY ESTABLISHMENTS IN THE COMMONWEALTH FROM 1911 to 1916.

Items.		1911.	1912.	1913.	1914.	1915.	1916.
Number of factories		1,050	994	995		892	890
" employees		18,803	18,476	18,217	17.318	15.616	16,383
Actual horse-power of engines used		319	371	376	410	428	509
Approx. value of land and buildings	£	879,098	878,231	939,072	956.416	917.895	974.766
,, plant and machinery	£	67,307	74,466	72.257	79.182	79.357	82.057
Total amount of wages paid	£	695,319	748.222	772.748	759.221	714.131	749.37
Value of fuel used	£	8,722	9,143	9,238	9.164		10.746
Value of raw material worked up	£	1.161.260	1.249.930		1,272,420		1.266.75
Value of final output	£	2 280,553	2,429,315	2,492.105		2.364.862	2.481.26
Value added in process of manufacture	£	1.119.293	1,179,385	1,205,055		1.140.175	1.214.51

The amount of wages paid increased nearly 8 per cent. during the last five years, and the final output slightly under 9 per cent. during the same period.

26. Coach and Wagon Building Works.—This industry forms the principal branch of manufacture in Class XI. (see § 1, 3 above). The subjoined table gives particulars of factories in this branch of industry in each State. The returns include establishments for the manufacture of wheels, spokes, etc.

Items.	N.S.W. 1915-16.	Vic. 1915.	Q'land. 1916.	S.A. 1915.	W.A. 1916.	Tas. 1916.	C'wlth.
Number of factories employees Actual horse-power of engines employed Approx. value of land and buildings £ 	260,132 12,008	310 2,381 704 258,883 65,788 207,276 7,994	576 251 64,160 23,538 40,451 1,092	89 697 435 96,831 28,292 58,994 3,314	39 248 165 41,080 10,185 24,588 2,111	23 177 69 23,007 4,401 15,487 606	769 6,446 2,757 800,198 223,579 606,928 27,125
Value of raw material worked up £ Total value of output £ Value added in process of manufacture £	245,534 651,159 405,625	228,739 558,267 329,528	53,689 146,951 93,262	57,755 149,304 91,549	35,214 79,031 43,817	18,005 43,866 25,861	638,936 1,628,578 989,642

COACH AND WAGON BUILDING WORKS, 1916.

27. Furniture and Cabinet Making and Billiard Table Making.— These industries constitute the principal manufactures in Class XIII. (see § 1, 3 above). The following table gives particulars for each State:—

Items.	N.S.W. 1915-16.		Q'land. 1916.	S.A. 1915.	W.A. 1916.	Tas. 1916.	C'wlth.
Number of factories	174	187	65	31	28	10	495-
employees	2,311	1,755	980	692	309	219	6,266
Actual horse-power of engines employed	1,767	916	707	788	312	115	4,605-
Approx, value of land and buildings £	318,895	221.820	97,664	59,729	57,222	19,490	774.820
, plant and machinery \pounds	58,934	46,697	38,325	28,101	13,200	6,137	191,394
Total amount of wages paid during year £	273.033	168,399	102,155	66,918	41.062	20,385	671,952
Value of fuel used £	6,578	3,585	2,653	1,595	1,331	416	16,158
Value of raw material used £	287,722	217,306	111,956	57,453	55,194	17,437	747,068
Total value of output £	662,843	479,520	279,159	147,676	106,893	52,638	1.728.729
Value added in process of manufacture £	375,121	262,214	167,203	90,223	51,699	35,201	981,661

FACTORIES FOR FURNITURE AND CABINET MAKING AND BILLIARD TABLE MAKING, 1916.

28. Electric Light and Power Works.—Particulars of the electric light and power works of the Commonwealth for latest date available are given in the subjoined table. In 1911 there were 164 establishments employing 2432 hands, whose salaries and wages amounted to £325,049; in 1916 these had increased to 245 establishments, 3079 hands, salaries and wages £559,170, while the value of output had increased during the fiveyears from £1,663,185 to £2,484,756.

ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER WORKS, 1916.

Items,	N.S.W. J915-16.	Vic. 1915.	Q'land. 1916.	S.A. 1915.	W.A. 1916.	Tas.* 1916.	C'wlth.
Number of factories	126		11	7	23	15	245
Actual horse-power of engines employed				388 15,510	236 19.759	171 6.023	3,079 192,708
Approx. value of land and buildings					76,995		1,496,108 -
" plant and machinery £ Total amount of wages paidduring years		1,569,553		418,760 61.569	440,295 46.330	360,849	4,980,158 491,445
Value of fuel used £	244,752	77,149	28,834	34,433	89,443	7,827	482,438
Total value of output £	1,096,205	536,251	315,029	155,766	278,806	102,699	2,484,756

* Including one establishment for manufacture of electric apparatus.

29. Gas and Coke Works.—There are gas works in operation in nearly all the chief towns in the Commonwealth. In New South Wales there are fourteen and in Queensland two coke factories which are worked as separate industries. The subjoined table gives particulars of gas and coke works in each State :—

GAS AND COKE WORKS, 1916.

Items.	N.S.W. 1915-16.		Q'land, 1916.	S.A. 1915.	W.A. 1916.	Tas. 1916.	C'wlth.
Number of factories		47	18	5	4	2	135
" employees		2,175	542	387	57	173	5,355
Actual horse-power of engines employed	4,706	1,686	186	562	43	34	7,217
Approx. value of land and buildings £	668,923	476,265	194,582	11,612	21,366	30,000	1,402,748
., ., ., plant and machinery £	1868,933	1,343,392	893,215	455,036	63,451		4,783,118
Total amount of wages paid during year£	283.921	347,434	82,153	*	•	24,689	817.016†
Value of fuel used £	64.888	4.610	5.443	*	*	3.625	84.367†
Value of raw material used £	535.377	306.043	73.388	*	*	18.844	1.010.944
		1.035.941	287,403	*	*	68.214	3.192.815
Value added in process of manufacture £			214.015	*	*	49,370	2.181.871

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* Not available for publication.

† Including South Australia and Western Australia;

The following table gives particulars regarding the quantity and value of the production of gas and coke works in each State during the year 1916:-

<u> </u>	Par	ticulars		N.S.W. 1915-16.	Vic. 1915.	Q'land. 1916.	S. Aust. 1915.	W. Aust. 1916.	Tas. 1916.	C'wlth.
					QUAN	TITY.				
Gas m Coke	ade	10	00 cub. ft. tons	$6,220,011 \\ 648,279$	4,107,578 204,957	902,357 61,105	*	•	205,350 8,988	12,227,463 954,928
					VAL	UE.				
Gas Coke			£ £	985,321 453,283	776,000 180,000	233,927 44,721	*	*	53,195 10,588	2,224,368 725,240
<u></u>					COAL	USED.		<u> </u>		·
Coal			tons	1,016,197	307,902	103,186	+	+	17,193	1,506,940

PRODUCTION OF GAS AND COKE WORKS, 1916.

* Not available for publication.

† Including South Australia and Western Australia.