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## PREFACE

By the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Parliament of the Commonwealth is empowered, subject to the Constitution, "to make laws for the peace, order, and good government of the Commonwealth, with respect to . . . . . Census and statistics." In the exercise of the power so conferred, a Census and Statistics Act was passed in 1905, and in the year following the Commonwealth Bureau of Census and Statistics was created. The first Official Year Book was published early in 1908. The publication here presented is the fiftieth Official Year Book issued under the authority of the Commonwealth Government.

The Synopsis on pp. xi to xxix following shows the general arrangement of the work. The special index (preceding the General Index) provided at the end of the volume, together with certain references given in the various chapters, will assist in tracing in previous issues special articles and other more or less important miscellaneous matter which, in order to conserve space, have been omitted or abbreviated in the present volume. Where, in the General Index, more than one reference to a subject is given, the chief reference (or references) has been specially indicated wherever possible.

Among the new matter included and existing matter revised or rearranged in this volume the following items may be especially mentioned.

Chapter II. Climate and Meteorology. New maps added showing Annual Rainfall and Average Annual Thunder-days (pp. 42 and 44).

Chapter XII. Employment and Unemployment (pp. 401-30). New chapter, including data relating to industry, occupation, etc. formerly included in the chapter Population, together with a new section dealing with the work force survey (pp. 417-24) and a revised and enlarged section relating to wage and salary earners in employment, formerly included in the chapter Labour, Wages and Prices.

Chapter XV. Transport and Communication. Special section summarizing the results of the Census of Motor Vehicles of 31st December, 1962 (pp. 590-4).

Chapter XVII. Public Justice (pp. 643-53). Revised chapter arrangement which groups particulars according to the nature of the proceedings rather than the type of court.

Chapter XIX. Education, Cultural Activities and Research. Statistics on schools and universities advanced an additional year (to 1963) (pp. 711-18 and 730-7). and new matter on grades of school pupils (pp. 715-8).

Chapter XXI. Private Finance. Revised and enlarged section relating to Savings Banks (pp. 854-64).

Chapter XXIX. International Relations (pp. 1217-26). Revised chapter.

Chapter XXX. Miscellaneous. Results of 30th June, 1962, Census of Retail Establishments and other Services (pp. 1239-45).

National Accounts. New matter (pp. 1253-82).

The material in the Year Book has been carefully checked throughout, but I shall be grateful to those who will be kind enough to point out defects or make suggestions.

## PREFACE

The statistics contained in the majority of the chapters of this volume relate to the years ended June or December, 1963, and the Appendix contains a selection of the more significant data which have become available since the chapters were prepared. As with previous Year Books, the contents of this issue have already been published in separate Parts as the successive chapters or groups of chapters were printed.

More detailed statistics on subjects dealt with in the Year Book are available in the various annual printed reports published by this Bureau. The more recent statistics published by the Bureau are contained in the *Digest of Current Economic Statistics* (monthly), the *Monthly Review of Business Statistics*, the *Quarterly Summary of Australian Statistics*, and in other publications issued monthly, quarterly, half-yearly, or yearly. These publications are listed in § 7, Statistical Publications of Australia, Chapter XXX. Miscellaneous, and the last pages of this volume contain a list of current and recent printed publications, showing issue numbers, dates and prices.

The Deputy Commonwealth Statisticians in New South Wales, Victoria, Queensland and Western Australia publish Official Year Books concerning their respective States, and the Deputy Commonwealth Statisticians of all States issue a number of printed and mimeographed publications. These are listed on pages 1163-5 of the 1962 issue of this Year Book, and, together with publications of the central Bureau, in *Publications of the Commonwealth Bureau of Census and Statistics* issued by this Bureau.

My thanks are tendered to the Deputy Commonwealth Statistician in each State, who has collected and compiled the data on which a great part of the information given in the Year Book is based. Thanks are also tendered to the responsible officers of the various Commonwealth and State Departments, and to others who have kindly, and often at considerable trouble, supplied information.

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