B.—Non-fatal Accidents Incapacitating for over 14 days.

Cause of Accident	N.S.W. (a)	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A	W.A.	Tas.	Total.
METALLIFEROUS MINES.							
1. **Below Ground—**							
Accidents caused by Explosives ..	24	2	3	..	11	..	40
" " Falls of Ground	8	2	5	1	43	5	64
" " Falling down shafts, etc.	14	3	..	.	12	2	61
Other Accidents .	324	3	88		734	18	1,167
2. **Above Ground—**							
Accidents caused by machinery in motion	11	.	..	4	32	3	50
Other Accidents .. .	118	.	49	13	152	42	395
3. **Accidents in Batteries, Ore-dressing, Smelting and other Metallurgical Works, etc.(b)** .. .	4	..	62	72	57	12	207
4. **Quarries, Brick and Clay Pits, etc.** .	..	7	..	14	66	..	87
COAL MINES.							
1. **Below Ground—**							
Accidents caused by Mine Explosions (Fire Damp, etc.) . .	1	.	1	.	..	..	2
Accidents caused by Explosives (Dynamite, etc.)	19	.	2		..	.	21
Accidents caused by Falls of Earth	18	2	29		12	4	95
Other Accidents	30	.	106	..	170	1	307
2. **Above Ground—**							
Accidents caused by machinery in motion		.	3	..	2	..	5
Other Accidents . ..	13	..	10		19	..	51
Total .	584	19	358	134	1,370	87	2,552

(a) Complete reports not available. (b) Inclusive of accidents reported by Chief Inspectors of Factories in States other than New South Wales as having occurred in ore-dressing, smelting and metallurgical works.

Seventy-two fatal mining accidents occurred below ground in Australia during the year, as compared with 21 above ground. Fatal accidents in metalliferous mines in 1939 numbered 68, as against 19 in coalmines and 6 in quarries and brick and clay pits. The number of non-fatal mining accidents below ground was 1,757 and above ground 708. Eighty-seven non-fatal accidents occurred in quarries and brick and clay pits

CHAPTER V.—ASSOCIATIONS.

§ 1. Labour Organizations.

1. **General.**—In Labour Report No. 2 an outline was given of the method adopted to ascertain the number of members of labour organizations in Australia, and tabulated results up to the end of 1912 were included. From the beginning of 1913 quarterly returns were obtained from a considerable number of trade unions, both as to membership and unemployment, and these were supplemented at the end of each year by special inquiries as to the membership of those unions which, owing to the nature of the callings and industries covered, were unable to furnish quarterly unemployment returns. The following pages show the general situation in regard to the trades union movement in Australia at present, and its development since 1935. The affairs of single unions are not disclosed in the published results and this has assisted in securing complete information. The Bureau is greatly indebted to the secretaries of Trade Unions for their cordial co-operation in regard to the supply of information.

The figures published in this chapter cover the years 1935 to 1939. Particulars for the years 1912 to 1934 will be found in preceding issues of the Labour Report.

2. Trade Unions and Branches—Number and Membership, 1935 to 1939.—The following table gives particulars of the number of separate unions and branches with the number of members at the end of the years 1935 to 1939:—

Trade Unions: Branches and Membership.

Year.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land	S.A	W.A.	Tas.	N'thern T'tory.	A.C.T.	Total.	Aust.
					NUMBER OF SEPARATE UNIONS.					
1935 .	182	147	109	112	130	77	4	15	776	a354
1936..	184	147	111	114	132	76	5	15	784	a356
1937..	184	147	110	113	132	76	6	15	783	a358
1938..	194	147	111	114	136	78	6	15	801	a366
1939..	200	149	111	117	141	79	4	15	819	a380
					NUMBER OF BRANCHES.					
1935..	584	399	321	183	190	77	..	1	1,755	b2,177
1936..	559	396	314	177	211	71	..	1	1,729	b2,157
1937..	571	396	309	171	198	70	.	1	1,716	b2,141
1938..	573	400	314	179	202	58	..	1	1,727	b2,162
1939..	598	398	312	178	204	69	.	1	1,760	b2,199
					NUMBER OF MEMBERS.					
1935..	309,689	199,132	148,127	59,102	58,315	14,556	851	1,058	790,830	790,830
1936 .	315,517	201,616	158,953	59,900	60,762	15,839	992	1,230	814,809	814,809
1937..	333,879	209,794	162,212	63,770	65,053	19,208	912	1,455	856,283	856,283
1938 .	346,837	215,021	169,569	67,401	67,932	21,051	806	1,538	885,158	885,158
1939..	358,391	216,803	180,653	67,282	67,833	22,062	761	1,685	915,470	915,470
					PERCENTAGE INCREASE IN MEMBERSHIP.(d)					
1935..	c0.9	1.7	14.5	6.9	7.6	7.8	3.2	1.5	3.7	3.7
1936..	1.9	1.2	7.3	1.4	4.2	8.8	16.6	16.3	3.0	3.0
1937..	5.5	4.0	2.0	6.1	6.6	17.5	c8.8	15.4	4.8	4.8
1938..	3.7	2.4	4.3	c2.1	4.2	8.8	c11.6	5.7	3.3	3.3
1939..	3.3	0.8	6.5	8.7	c0.1	4.8	c5.6	9.6	3.4	3.4

(a) Allowing for interstate duplication. The figures represent the number of distinct organizations and interstate groups of organizations. They do not represent the total number of organizations which are practically independent and self-governing (see following remarks). (b) Includes not only branches of separate State unions and sub-branches in each State of interstate unions, but also head State branches of interstate unions (c) Decrease. (d) On preceding year.

The types of trade unions in Australia vary greatly, and range from the small independent association to the large interstate organization, which, in its turn, may be a branch of an international union. Broadly speaking, there are four distinct classes of labour organizations, namely:—(i) the local independent; (ii) the State; (iii) the interstate; and (iv) the Australasian or international.

In the table just given, under the heading "Number of Separate Unions," each union represented in a State is counted once only, regardless of the number of branches in that State. In the total number of separate unions in each State (see last column but one), it is obvious that there will be duplication in the case of interstate and similar unions, since each such union is counted once in each State in which it is represented by a Branch. The figures in the last column, therefore, have been obtained by making due allowance for this duplication.

3. **Trade Unions—Industrial Groups, 1935 to 1939.**—The following table gives the number and membership of trade unions in Australia in industrial groups at the end of the years 1935 to 1939. In previous Reports it was pointed out that the number of unions classified in Group XIV. (Miscellaneous), increased considerably during the period 1918 to 1920, and a correspondingly large increase occurred in the membership of the group. During recent years many associations of employees of public and semi-public bodies have been organized, and such unions are now included in the tabulations. Public Service, municipal, banking and insurance associations, which were not previously recognized, are now registered under the provision of the Commonwealth and State Industrial Arbitration Acts, and are therefore classified as industrial bodies. The inclusion of these organizations is responsible, to a great extent, for the increase in Group XIV.

Trade Unions: Industrial Groups, Australia.

Industrial Groups.	1935.	1936.	1937.	1938.	1939.
NUMBER OF UNIONS.					
Manufacturing—	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)
I. Wood, Furniture, etc. ..	17 (4)	17 (4)	17 (4)	17 (4)	17 (4)
II. Engineering, Metal Works, etc.	61 (21)	63 (21)	63 (22)	63 (22)	64 (22)
III. Food, Drink, Tobacco, etc. ..	63 (32)	69 (33)	70 (35)	70 (34)	72 (35)
IV. Clothing, Hats, Boots, etc. ..	24 (11)	24 (11)	24 (11)	26 (12)	26 (12)
V. Books, Printing, etc. ..	15 (9)	14 (8)	14 (7)	14 (8)	14 (8)
VI. Other Manufacturing ..	73 (34)	73 (35)	73 (36)	73 (36)	71 (37)
VII. Building	49 (26)	49 (27)	49 (27)	49 (28)	48 (28)
VIII. Mining, Quarrying, etc.	16 (13)	16 (13)	15 (12)	15 (12)	16 (13)
IX. Railway and Tramway Services ..	52 (30)	50 (29)	50 (28)	50 (27)	51 (29)
X. Other Land Transport	10 (4)	11 (4)	12 (5)	13 (6)	13 (6)
XI. Shipping, etc.	55 (22)	55 (21)	55 (21)	55 (20)	60 (21)
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, etc ..	10 (7)	11 (7)	9 (8)	9 (6)	9 (5)
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, etc.	19 (14)	20 (15)	20 (15)	20 (16)	19 (18)
XIV. Miscellaneous—					
(i) Banking, Insurance and Clerical	32 (19)	32 (19)	32 (16)	32 (16)	33 (20)
(ii) Public Service	148 (47)	148 (48)	148 (47)	148 (50)	147 (50)
(iii) Retail and Wholesale ..	8 (8)	8 (8)	8 (8)	8 (8)	15 (8)
(iv) Municipal, Sewerage, and Labouring	16 (11)	16 (11)	16 (11)	16 (12)	20 (11)
(v) Other Miscellaneous . ..	108 (42)	108 (42)	108 (45)	123 (49)	124 (53)
Total	776(354)a	784(356)a	783(358)a	801(366)a	819(380)a

(a) Allowing for interstate duplication.

NUMBER OF MEMBERS.					
Manufacturing—					
I. Wood, Furniture, etc. ..	27,079	25,365	27,465	27,831	27,990
II. Engineering, Metal Works, etc.	76,070	79,047	83,993	04,228	99,731
III. Food, Drink, Tobacco, etc. ..	68,292	72,120	76,702	75,753	80,328
IV. Clothing, Hats, Boots, etc. ..	59,484	62,269	66,323	66,427	68,847
V. Books, Printing, etc.	18,808	19,425	20,461	21,661	22,303
VI. Other Manufacturing	44,388	46,832	49,329	48,410	52,074
VII. Building	51,034	56,727	59,484	47,953	45,651
VIII. Mining, Quarrying, etc.	36,636	40,184	44,912	43,429	48,812
IX. Railway and Tramway Services ..	97,443	94,944	97,435	104,523	105,938
X. Other Land Transport	10,539	10,287	15,829	18,069	19,488
XI. Shipping, etc.	26,388	27,346	27,611	28,780	28,760
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, etc. ..	28,781	31,869	34,624	38,424	40,276
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, etc.	19,043	16,091	15,933	12,835	13,177
XIV. Miscellaneous—					
(i) Banking, Insurance and Clerical	34,415	35,315	36,044	37,639	39,013
(ii) Public Service	82,766	83,484	84,716	86,797	89,848
(iii) Retail and Wholesale ..	32,619	32,178	33,055	34,140	36,290
(iv) Municipal, Sewerage and Labouring	38,026	39,603	40,948	45,126	46,552
(v) Other Miscellaneous	38,118	41,723	41,425	52,233	50,392
Total ..	790,830	814,809	856,283	885,158	915,470

4. **Trade Unions—Number of Male and Female Members and Percentage to Total Wage and Salary Earners.**—(i) *States*, 1939. The estimated numbers of male and female wage and salary earners (including unemployed) have been obtained by increasing the numbers of such persons enumerated at the 1933 Census in ratio to the

annual increases in separate age groups for males and females. Further, allowance has been made for (*a*) increase in the proportion of females who are wage and salary earners, and (*b*) youths and girls who were without occupation but were not recorded in the wage-earning group at the 1933 Census. The figures have been revised since the previous issue of the Labour Report and should not be compared with estimates previously published.

The following table shows separately for males and females and for each State (*a*) the number of members of trade unions; (*b*) the estimated number of wage and salary earners of each sex 20 years of age and over in all professions, trades, and occupations; and (*c*) the percentage of the former (*a*) on the latter (*b*) at the end of the year 1939. The estimated number of wage and salary earners includes all persons 20 years of age and over in receipt of wages or salary, as well as those unemployed, and therefore embraces a large number of adults who are not eligible for membership of any trade union (such as certain persons employed in professional occupations) as well as others who, while eligible for membership so far as the nature of their trade or occupation is concerned, do not reside in a locality which is covered by any union devoted to their particular trade or occupation. Moreover, the age at which persons are eligible for membership varies in different unions. The census results are classified in quinquennial age groups, and age 20 years is taken as approximating to the age of admission to membership. A line has been added to show the estimated numbers of "junior" workers under 20 years of age :—

Trade Unions: Number of Male and Female Members, and Percentage to Total Wage and Salary Earners, States, 1939.

Particulars.	N.S.W. (*a*)	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Nthn. T'tory.	Australia
MALES.								
Estimated No. of Adult Wage and Salary Earners (20 years of age and over) (*b*) ..	613,200	400,700	217,600	124,800	103,800	44,600	2,800	1,507,500
No. of Members of Unions ..	310,213	176,577	153,553	60,332	58,217	18,731	713	778,336
Percentage of Members on Estimated No. of Adult Wage and Salary Earners ..	50.6	44.1	70.6	48.3	56.1	42.0	25.5	51.6
Junior Wage and Salary Earners (under 20) (*b*)	110,800	71,500	11,400	24,400	17,700	9,600	200	275,600
FEMALES.								
Estimated No. of Adult Wage and Salary Earners (20 years of age and over) (*b*) .	159,500	135,100	52,800	34,300	24,100	11,600	200	417,600
No. of Members of Unions ..	49,863	40,226	27,100	6,950	9,616	3,331	48	137,134
Percentage of Members on Estimated No. of Adult Wage and Salary Earners .	31.3	29.8	51.3	20.3	39.9	28.7	24.0	32.8
Junior Wage and Salary Earners (under 20) (*b*) .. .	76,300	51,200	26,100	16,600	11,300	5,600	100	187,200
PERSONS.								
Estimated No. of Adult Wage and Salary Earners (20 years of age and over) (*b*) ..	772,700	535,800	270,400	159,100	127,900	56,200	3,000	1,925,100
No. of Members of Unions ..	360,076	216,803	180,653	67,282	67,833	22,062	761	915,470
Percentage of Members on Estimated No. of Adult Wage and Salary Earners ..	46.6	40.5	66.8	42.3	53.0	39.3	25.4	47.6
Junior Wage and Salary Earners (under 20) (*b*)	187,100	122,700	67,500	41,000	29,000	15,200	300	462,800

(*a*) Inclusive of Australian Capital Territory. (*b*) Basis of estimates revised since previous issue.

(ii) *Australia.*—Similar particulars for Australia for the five years 1935 to 1939 are given in the next table. The figures for years prior to 1938 previously published in the Labour Report have been revised.

Trade Unions: Number of Male and Female Members and Percentage to Total Wage and Salary Earners, Australia, 1935 to 1939.

Particulars.	1935.	1936	1937	1938	1939.
MALES (a)					
Estimated Number of Adult Wage and Salary Earners (20 years of age and over)	1,432,900	1,451,600	1,470,200	1,488,200	1,507,500
Number of Members of Unions	662,147	685,795	720,587	748,749	778,336
Percentage of Members on Estimated Number of Adult Wage and Salary Earners	46.2	47.2	49.0	50.3	51.6
Junior Wage and Salary Earners (under 20)	263,400	265,400	268,600	273,200	275,600
FEMALES (a)					
Estimated Number of Adult Wage and Salary Earners (20 years of age and over)	389,700	397,600	404,700	412,900	417,600
Number of Members of Unions	128,383	129,011	135,696	136,409	137,134
Percentage of Members on Estimated Number of Adult Wage and Salary Earners	32.9	32.1	33.5	33.2	32.8
Junior Wage and Salary Earners (under 20)	173,600	176,400	179,900	183,900	187,200
PERSONS (a)					
Estimated Number of Adult Wage and Salary Earners (20 years of age and over)	1,822,600	1,849,200	1,874,900	1,899,100	1,925,100
Number of Members of Unions	790,830	814,806	856,283	885,158	915,470
Percentage of Members on Estimated Number of Adult Wage and Salary Earners	43.1	44.1	45.7	46.6	47.6
Junior Wage and Salary Earners (under 20)	437,000	441,800	448,500	457,100	462,800

(a) See note (b) on previous page.

5. **Trade Unions—Classification according to Number of Members, 1935 to 1939.**—The following table shows the number and membership of all trade unions in Australia for the years 1935 to 1939 inclusive, classified according to size. In this table interstate unions are counted once only :—

Trade Unions: Classification according to Number of Members, Australia.

Classification.	10,000 and over.	5,000 and under 10,000.	2,000 and under 5,000.	1,000 and under 2,000.	500 and under 1,000.	300 and under 500.	200 and under 300.	100 and under 200	50 and under 100.	Under 50.	Total.
NUMBER OF UNIONS.											
1935 ..	23	12	43	39	50	25	25	44	40	53	354
1936 ..	26	11	41	40	51	27	29	42	38	51	356
1937 ..	27	10	45	40	48	29	29	39	38	53	358
1938 ..	27	10	45	43	45	31	29	44	39	53	366
1939 ..	27	14	41	43	52	28	30	52	41	52	380
MEMBERSHIP											
1935 ..	443,398	95,417	136,405	53,710	35,581	9,695	5,961	6,116	3,031	1,516	790,830
1936 ..	490,617	71,449	131,248	56,805	36,645	10,957	6,942	5,890	2,737	1,519	814,809
1937 ..	526,817	70,456	140,285	56,603	34,209	11,345	6,911	5,354	2,684	1,619	856,283
1938 ..	543,442	68,881	149,337	60,978	32,258	12,953	6,722	6,375	2,626	1,486	885,158
1939 ..	568,624	87,077	134,201	59,283	36,776	10,578	7,483	7,225	2,655	1,565	915,470
PERCENTAGE ON TOTAL MEMBERSHIP											
1935 ..	56.1	12.1	17.1	6.8	4.5	1.2	0.8	0.8	0.4	0.2	100.0
1936 ..	60.2	8.8	16.1	7.0	4.5	1.3	0.9	0.7	0.3	0.2	100.0
1937 ..	61.6	8.2	16.4	6.6	4.0	1.3	0.8	0.6	0.3	0.2	100.0
1938 ..	61.4	7.7	16.9	6.9	3.6	1.5	0.8	0.7	0.3	0.2	100.0
1939 ..	62.1	9.5	14.7	6.5	4.0	1.1	0.8	0.8	0.3	0.2	100.0

In the last part of the preceding table the percentage which the membership in each group bears to the total membership of all groups is given for the years 1935 to 1939. The tendency towards closer organization is evidenced by the fact that though membership of trade unions has increased since 1912 by 111 per cent., the number of unions having less than 2,000 members has considerably decreased, namely, from 360 to 298.

6. **Interstate or Federated Trade Unions.**—The following table gives particulars regarding number and membership of interstate or federated trade unions having branches in two or more States. The figures include interstate unions registered under the Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Act, as well as federated unions which are not so registered :—

Interstate or Federated Trade Unions: Number and Membership.

Particulars		Unions Operating in—					Total.
		2 States.	3 States.	4 States.	5 States.	6 States.(a)	
Number of Unions	1935 ..	20	10	19	23	40	112
	1936 ..	19	8	21	19	46	113
	1937 ..	18	12	18	19	46	113
	1938 .	16	12	19	23	43	113
	1939	19	11	20	24	42	116
Number of Members	1935 ..	31,891	23,923	119,976	200,196	273,934	649,920
	1936 ..	28,233	13,624	123,008	171,517	324,910	661,302
	1937 ..	29,863	17,802	131,468	172,799	366,172	718,104
	1938 ..	27,713	20,279	140,214	190,700	352,405	731,311
	1939 ..	30,888	33,319	120,664	209,369	361,884	756,124

(a) Certain unions in this group have, in addition to branches in each of the six States, branches in the Northern Territory and in the Australian Capital Territory.

The number of organizations operating in two or more States has increased from 72 in 1912 to 116 in 1939, and the percentage of the membership of such organizations on the total membership of all organizations has risen from 65 per cent. to 83 per cent. during the same period.

7. **Central Labour Organizations.**—In each of the capital cities, as well as in a number of other industrial centres, delegate organizations, consisting of representatives from a group of trade unions, have been established. Their revenue is raised by means of a *per capita* tax on the members of each affiliated union. In the majority of the towns where such central organizations exist, most of the local unions are affiliated with the central organization, which is usually known as the Labour or Trades Hall Council, or the Labour Federation. In Western Australia a unified system of organization extends over the industrial centres throughout the State, and there is a provincial branch of the Australian Labour Party, having a central council and executive, and metropolitan and branch district councils to which the local bodies are affiliated. The central council, on which all district councils are represented, meets periodically. In the other States, however, the organization is not so close, and though provision usually exists in the rules of the central council in the capital city of each State for the organization of district councils, or for the representation on the central council of the local councils in the smaller industrial centres of the State, the councils in each State are, as a matter of fact, independent bodies. The table hereunder gives the number of metropolitan and district or local labour councils, together with the number of unions and branches of unions affiliated therewith in each State at the end of the years 1935 to 1939

Central Labour Organizations: Number, and Branch Unions Affiliated.

Particulars.		N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A	W.A.	Tas.	N. Ter.	A.C.T.	Total.
No. of Councils	1935 ..	3	5	6	2	8	3	..	1	28
	1936 ..	3	5	6	2	8	2	..	1	27
	1937 ..	3	5	6	2	8	2	..	1	27
	1938 .	3	5	6	2	8	2	.	1	27
	1939	3	5	6	2	8	2		1	27
No. of Unions and Branch Unions Affiliated	1935 ..	92	167	84	54	212	59	..	11	679
	1936 ..	91	167	84	54	213	59	..	11	679
	1937 ..	91	167	85	53	213	59	.	10	678
	1938 ..	100	176	78	47	210	59		9	679
	1939	103	179	79	50	210	59	..	9	689

The figures regarding number of unions do not necessarily represent separate unions, since the branches of a large union may be affiliated with the local trades councils in the several towns in which they are represented.

Between the trade union and the central organization of unions may be classed certain State or district councils organized on trade lines and composed of delegates from separate unions, the interests of the members of which are closely connected by reason of the occupations of their members such, for example, as delegate councils of bakers, bread carters and mill employees, or of unions connected directly or indirectly with the metal trades, or with the building trades.

A Central Labour Organization, called the Australasian Council of Trade Unions, came into being during 1927. The Council was created to function on behalf of the Trade Unions of the Commonwealth, and was founded at an All-Australian Trade Union Congress, held in Melbourne in May, 1927. The Australasian Council is based on the Metropolitan Trades and Labour Councils in each State, such bodies having the right to appoint two representatives to act on the Executive of the Council. In addition to the representatives from the Metropolitan Councils, the Executive consists of four officers, viz., the President, two Vice-Presidents, and a Secretary, who are elected by and from the All-Australian Trade Union Congress.

The objective of the Council is the socialization of industry, i.e., production, distribution and exchange. The methods to be adopted are:—(*a*) The closer organization of the workers by the transformation of the Australian Trade Union Movement from the Craft to an Industrial basis by the establishment of one Union in each industry; (*b*) the consolidation of the Australasian Labour Movement with the object of unified control, administration, and action; (*c*) the centralized control of industrial disputes; and (*d*) educational propaganda among Unions.

The A.C.T.U. is the first interstate body in Australia with authority to deal with industrial matters of an interstate character affecting the Trade Union movement generally. It is also the body responsible for submitting the names of suitable persons, from which the Commonwealth Government selects the Australian Workers' delegate to the Annual International Labour Conference.

3. **Organizations Registered under Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Act.**—Under Part V. of the Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Act any employer or association of employers in any industry who has employed not less than 100 employees during six months preceding application for registration, and any association of not less than 100 employees in any industry may be registered.* Registered unions include both interstate associations and associations operating within one State only.

At the end of 1939 the number of employees' organizations registered under the provisions of the Act was 32, with a membership of approximately 34,000. At the same date the number of unions registered was 144, with a membership of approximately 770,000 representing 84 per cent of the total membership of all trade unions in Australia.

§ 2. Employers' Associations.

1. **General.**—Associations for trade purposes merely are not included in the present chapter, which deals with those associations only whose members are united for their own protection, and for representation in cases

* Under the Arbitration (Public Service) Act an association of less than 100 employees may be registered as an organization, provided that its members comprise at least three-fifths of all persons engaged in that industry in the Service

before Arbitration Courts, Wages Boards and other wage-fixing tribunals. Associations of employers and employees are recognized under the Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Act as well as under several State Acts, and such organizations may be registered.

2. **Employers' Associations in each State.**—The following table gives particulars of the number and membership of employers' associations in each State at the end of the years 1935 to 1939 :—

Employers' Associations.

Year.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Total
NUMBER OF ASSOCIATIONS.							
1935	a131	156	72	60	56	25	500
1936	a134	150	73	61	58	30	506
1937	b134	149	78	61	59	30	511
1938	b134	147	76	62	58	29	506
1939	b136	152	75	61	60	30	514
NUMBER OF BRANCHES.							
1935	786	559	135	13	302	8	1,803
1936	806	608	393	32	296	6	2,141
1937	681	548	394	33	184	10	1,850
1938	658	561	391	32	85	6	1,733
1939	663	562	395	31	87	5	1,743
MEMBERSHIP.							
1935	a59,444	37,765	18,556	7,536	10,791	2,087	136,179
1936	a60,135	50,262	35,764	8,813	11,193	2,257	168,424
1937	b63,747	50,566	33,150	9,081	10,978	2,152	169,674
1938	b66,573	53,745	32,407	9,671	11,312	1,982	175,690
1939	b66,861	54,451	31,915	10,257	11,600	2,006	177,090

(a) Includes 1 Association in A.C.T. (b) Includes 2 Associations in A.C.T.

3. **Employers' Associations in Industrial Groups.**—The figures in the next table refer to Australia at the end of the years 1938 and 1939.

Employers' Associations: Industrial Groups, Australia.

Class	Number of Associations.		Number of Branches.		Membership.	
	1938	1939.	1938	1939.	1938.	1939.
Manufacturing—						
I. Wood, Furniture, etc	20	20	16	16	1,239	1,517
II. Engineering, etc.	18	20	1	2	2,632	2,540
III. Food, Drink, etc.	106	110	140	136	24,169	24,749
IV. Clothing, Hats, etc	15	15	9	9	1,541	1,730
V. Books, Printing, etc	39	40	.		2,625	2,596
VI. Other Manufacturing	39	42	2	3	3,624	3,988
VII. Building	26	26	10	13	2,176	2,169
VIII. Mining, Quarrying, etc.	11	9	.	..	288	244
X. Other Land Transport	18	18	10	10	3,271	3,190
XI. Shipping, etc. ..	18	20	3	3	265	277
XII. Pastoral Agricultural, etc	51	48	1,512	1,513	110,435	108,582
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, etc	20	19		.	2,192	2,267
XIV. Miscellaneous ..	125	127	30	30	21,233	23,232
Total . ..	506	514	1,733	1,743	175,690	177,090

The female membership of these associations was 6,200 for 1938 and 6,400 for 1939.

The organization of employers is relatively strongest in the pastoral and agricultural industries and in the manufacture and distribution of articles of food and drink. In the former case there has been considerable growth in organization among small farmers, and in the latter the large membership is mainly due to the proprietors of shops purveying foodstuffs being members of grocers', butchers', and other similar associations.

4. **Employers' Associations in Membership Groups.**—The following table gives information in membership groups for Australia for the years 1935 to 1939:—

Employers' Associations : Membership Groups, Australia.

Membership Groups.	1,000 and over.	500 and under 1,000	300 and under 500.	200 and under 300.	100 and under 200.	50 and under 100.	Under 50.	Total
NUMBER OF ASSOCIATIONS.								
1935	19	31	20	21	51	77	281	500
1936 .. .	20	31	21	20	51	79	284	506
1937	24	33	23	26	44	80	281	511
1938	27	35	21	22	52	72	277	506
1939 .	30	38	22	24	51	68	281	514
MEMBERSHIP.								
1935	85,116	20,302	7,356	5,213	7,506	5,387	5,209	136,179
1936	109,476	21,895	8,800	6,654	8,242	6,836	6,521	168,424
1937	114,567	23,380	8,364	6,391	6,366	5,680	4,917	169,674
1938	119,070	25,274	8,208	5,444	7,483	5,222	4,989	175,690
1939 .	116,050	26,398	8,158	6,031	7,116	1,025	5,402	177,090
PERCENTAGE ON TOTAL MEMBERSHIP.								
1935	63	15	5	4	5	4	4	100
1936	65	13	5	4	5	4	4	100
1937	67	14	5	4	4	3	3	100
1938	68	14	5	3	4	3	3	100
1939 .	67	15	5	3	4	3	3	100

5. **Federations of Employers' Associations.**—In addition to the associations in various industries, there are central associations in each State, to which many of these separate organizations are affiliated. Examples of this kind of association are provided in the Chamber of Manufactures, Chamber of Commerce, and Employers' Federation in each State. Further, these State Associations are, in some cases, organized on a Federal basis, e.g., there is an Associated Chamber of Manufactures, an Associated Chamber of Commerce, and a Central Employers' Association, to which State branches are affiliated.

The affiliation of these associations is, however, somewhat loose as compared with that of the Federated Trade Unions. Whereas in the latter case the central body has complete control of its State branches, in the case of the Employers' Associations the State body generally has complete independence, the central body acting in a more or less advisory capacity only

The following table gives particulars for the years 1935 to 1939, so far as can be ascertained, of interstate or federated associations having branches in two or more States :—

Interstate or Federated Employers' Associations.

Year.	Associations Operating in—					Total.
	2 States.	3 States.	4 States.	5 States.	6 States.	
Number of Associations.						
1935	4	2	10	6	20	42
1936	5	2	8	6	17	38
1937	3	3	10	10	17	43
1938	6	..	7	14	17	44
1939	4	..	11	12	19	46
Membership.						
1935	10,529	57	3,311	63,155	37,723	114,775
1936	11,315	904	1,013	22,324	104,896	140,452
1937	9,351	2,019	1,118	92,049	38,908	143,445
1938	9,512	..	3,800	93,454	41,198	147,964
1939	8,229	..	5,219	92,287	43,723	149,458

Of the total membership of 177,090 of all employers' associations, 84 per cent. are organized on an interstate basis. The Pastoral, Agricultural, &c., section (Class XII.) is the most important in the federated sphere, their numbers covering no less than 61 per cent. of the total membership of federated organizations. The Food, Drink, &c., section (Class III.) and the Miscellaneous section (Class XIV.) are also well represented in the federations.

§ 3. International Comparisons.

1. **The International Labour Conferences.**—In Chapter XVII. of Labour Report No. 14, information was given with regard to the clauses in the Peace Treaty referring to labour conditions. Provision was made in the Treaty for the holding of International Labour Conferences, and the institution of the International Labour Office. The Report referred to also contains information regarding the activities of the Labour Office, together with a brief reference to the five Annual Labour Conferences which had then been held. Particulars of the proceedings at subsequent Conferences were given in later reports.

The twenty-fifth session of the International Labour Conference was held at Geneva from 8th to 28th June, 1939, and the Agenda and decisions are briefly as follows :—

Agenda.

(i) Technical and vocational education and apprenticeship.
(ii) Regulation of contracts of employment of indigenous workers.
(iii) Recruiting, placing and conditions of labour (equality of treatment) of migrant workers.
(iv) Regulation of hours of work and rest periods of professional drivers (and their assistants) of vehicles engaged in road transport.
(v) Generalization of the reduction of hours of work in industry, commerce and offices.
(vi) Reduction of hours of work in Coal Mines.

In regard to the first five items, these were submitted at the twenty-fourth session in 1938, but were held over for final discussion at the 1939 Conference. Conference drew up lists of points on which Governments were to be consulted in the meantime.

The following is a brief summary of the decisions reached by the Conference :—

(i) Recommendations (2) were adopted in regard to vocational training and apprenticeship.

(ii) Draft Conventions (2) were adopted concerning (*a*) regulation of contracts of employment of indigenous workers, and (*b*) the abolition of penal sanctions for breaches of contracts as in (*a*). Recommendations (2) were also adopted in connexion with the above concerning (*c*) maximum length of contracts, and (*d*) labour inspectorates.

(iii) Draft Convention adopted, also two Recommendations setting out for the guidance of States the principles upon which the Convention should be applied.

(iv) Draft Convention adopted, also four Recommendations. The first concerned individual control books; the second night work; the third methods of regulating hours of work; and the fourth rest periods of professional drivers of private vehicles.

(v) Further action was postponed in view of the "prevailing political insecurity and the extensive programmes of armament and national defence".

(vi) A Resolution was discussed asking the governing body to re-submit the matter "as soon as such action is warranted by an improvement in the international situation".

Other Resolutions not relating to items on the Agenda were adopted, viz. :—(*a*) Employment of women; (*b*) judicial bodies for the enforcement of labour legislation and the rapid functioning of such bodies; and (*c*) enquiry into the methods for the encouragement and the development of the International Labour Organization in various Countries.

The Australian delegation comprised the following :—Government Delegate—J. S. Duncan, Esq., C.B.E.; Employers' Delegate—A. G. Kemp, Esq.; Workers' Delegate—T. E. Lawton, Esq.

2. Unemployment.—In the following table, the percentage of unemployment in various countries is shown for each month of 1939. The figures are obtained chiefly from the *Monthly Bulletin of Statistics*, published by the League of Nations, Geneva :—

Unemployment in various Countries during 1939.

Country.	Percentage Unemployed in Month of—												Average for Year
	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	
Australia	.	9.6			9.5	.	.	10.2	..	.	9.3	..	9 7
Belgium	22.0	20.1	18.2	17 6	17.9	16.8	16.5	17.0	21.0	18.7	19.8	20.6	18.9
Canada	18.1	18.3	18.6	17.8	14.5	13.4	12.7	11.9	10.7	10.0	10.5	13.2	14.1
Denmark ..	29.9	27.1	22.8	16.9	11.5	11 1	11.0	9 5	12.5	16 0	21.3	32.1	18.5
Great Britain ..	11.5	11 2	10 5	9 7	9.0	8.1	7.5	7.1	7.4	8 4	8.3	8.1	8.9
Holland	28.9	26.0	22.5	20 5	18.5	17.5	17.2	16.8	16 7	16.8	17.0	21.6	20.0
Sweden	15.3	13.4	12.6	10 3	7.4	6.6	5.8	5.9	7.2	8.8	11.2	16.0	10.0
Switzerland ..	4.3	4 3	3.7	3.0	2.8	2.7	2.4	2.1	2.7	2.5	2.2	2.2	2.9
United States ..	13 3	12 7	11.8	11.1	10.8	10.3	10.5	10.1	9.6	9.3	9.4	9.8	10 7

3. **Retail Prices of Food—Various Countries.**—The following table shows the average retail prices of the chief items of food in the principal cities of the countries specified. The prices have been extracted from official publications and reports :—

Average Retail Prices of Food in Principal Cities: Australia and Other Countries, 1939.

(Particulars extracted from Official Publications and Reports.)

Article.	Unit or Quantity.	AUSTRALIA.								NEW ZEALAND.							
		Sydney.				Melbourne.				Wellington.				Christchurch.			
		Feb.	May.	Aug.	Nov.	Feb.	May.	Aug.	Nov.	Feb.	May.	Aug.	Nov.	Feb.	May.	Aug.	Nov.
		d.	d.	d	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d	d.	d.	d.	d	d	d	d.
Bread ..	2 lb.	6.00	6.05	5 98	5.98	5.43	5 40	5.40	5.38	6 00	6.00	6 00	6 00	6 00	6.00	6 00	6.00
Flour, ordinary	2 lb.	4.95	4.90	4 85	4 85	4.40	4.05	4.35	4.20	4.20	4.18	4 10	4.10	4.18	4.08	4.08	4.08
Tea	lb.	26.60	26.50	26.60	29 65	26 85	26.85	26 85	30.25	30 75	30.50	30.25	33.25	30 75	30 75	30.50	34.00
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	9 20	9.55	9.65	9.80	8 25	8.30	8 45	8.60	12.75	13 50	13 50	13 50	12 38	12.75	13 50	13.13
Sugar.. ..	lb.	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4 00	4.00	4.00	3.75	4.25	4 00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4 00
Rice	"	3 35	3.40	3.35	3.40	3.38	3 48	3.45	3 48	3 00	3.25	3.25	3 25	3 00	3 25	3 25	3 50
Oatmeal ..	"	3 22	3.39	3.25	3 35	3.53	3.60	3.63	3.45	3 55	3 20	3 45	3 55	2.60	2.85	3.30	3.30
Raisins ..	"	10.32	10.08	10 28	10.53	10.35	10 55	10.35	10 60	7.50	7.50	7.75	8.75	7 50	8.00	8.00	8 50
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	21.43	13.81	20.31	19.19	23 08	11.02	18.17	25.87	10 63	11 38	16.63	22 00	6.88	7 50	12 50	14.38
Onions ..	lb.	4 07	4 21	4 29	3 46	3 83	3 97	4 11	3 34	3.25	3.50	3.75	4.50	3 50	3 00	3.00	5 00
Milk . ..	quart	7.10	7.10	7 00	7.10	7.45	7 25	7 30	6 85	6 50	7.00	7.00	6 50	6.00	6 00	6.00	6 00
Butter ..	lb.	19.05	19.00	19 05	19.05	19.50	19 50	19.50	19 45	18 25	18 25	18 25	18.25	18 00	18.00	18 00	18 00
Cheese ..	"	14.40	14 60	14 65	14 65	13 56	13 50	13 39	13.31	11.00	11.25	11.25	11 25	10 75	10 50	11 25	11 25
Eggs	dozen	25.35	23.85	14.95	14 85	21.70	27 00	15 40	14.60	28 00	30 75	26 75	20.50	23.50	29 75	25 75	19 50
Bacon ..	lb.	16.60	16 10	15 50	17.00	20.10	20.00	19.45	20 15	18.25	18.00	18.25	18.25	17.00	17 00	17 00	17.00
Beef, sirloin ..	"	10.65	10.35	9.95	10.40	10.80	11.20	10.40	10.40	10.00	10.00	10 00	10 00	9 25	9.25	9 25	10 50
" rib ..	"	7 85	7 60	7.45	7.85	8.65	9.10	8.30	8 40	7.50	7.50	7 25	7.25	8.00	8 00	8.00	9.00
" steak, rump	"	15.00	14.90	14 80	14 80	15.60	15 90	15.50	15 40	13.25	13.25	13.25	13.25	12.50	12.00	12.50	14 50
Mutton, leg ..	"	7 40	7.10	7.10	7 25	7.40	7.95	7.35	7.75	8 75	8 75	8.75	8.75	8.00	8.00	8.25	10 00
" chops ..	"	9.10	8 80	8.60	9 05	8.45	8 55	7 95	8 05	9 00	9.25	9.25	9 00	7 50	7.50	7 50	10.00

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Article.	Unit or Quantity.	United Kingdom.(c)				Union of South Africa.							
						Capetown				Johannesburg.			
		Feb.	May.	Aug.	Nov.	Feb.	May.	Aug.	Nov.	Feb.	May.	Aug.	Nov.
		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread	2 lb.	4.25	4.25	4.25	4.25	7.53	7.44	7.29	7.00	6.93	6.92	7.01	6.99
Flour, ordinary	2 lb.	4.00	3.02	3.86	3.92	6.51	6.53	6.49	6.49	6.00	5.99	6.26	6.26
Tea	lb.	28.25	28.25	28.00	29.00	25.36	25.36	25.21	28.61	25.74	25.88	26.08	28.80
Jam, plum	1½ lb.	..			..	7.83	7.83	7.88	7.92	8.53	8.51	8.55	8.61
Sugar	lb.	2.50	2.75	3.00	4.50	3.32	3.32	3.32	3.35	3.50	3.50	3.50	3.50
Rice	"	..	.	.		2.04	2.04	2.04	2.04	3.29	3.25	3.25	3.41
Oatmeal	"	.	.	.		3.57	3.53	3.53	3.53	3.50	3.41	3.42	3.45
Raisins	"	..	.		.	8.57	8.64	8.79	8.79	8.39	8.42	8.64	8.67
Potatoes	7 lb.	5.75	6.50	7.25	6.75	9.77	9.77	10.00	10.05	7.41	7.25	7.41	8.43
Onions	lb.	..			..	2.07	1.88	1.88	2.35	2.01	2.08	1.95	2.14
Milk	quart	6.75	6.50	6.75	7.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.14	6.46	6.46	6.13
Butter	lb.	17.00	16.50	16.25	18.75	19.36	19.43	19.36	19.00	19.06	19.39	19.39	18.83
Cheese	"	10.75	10.50	10.00	11.00	16.37	16.50	17.26	15.00	16.23	15.96	16.57	15.00
Eggs	dozen	24.00	15.00	21.00	30.00	21.21	30.00	17.50	15.71	20.75	28.53	16.69	13.26
Bacon	lb.	..	..	.		20.50	20.50	20.50	20.71	19.33	19.41	19.86	19.86
Beef, sirloin	"	..	..	..		9.75	9.75	9.75	9.75	10.18	10.04	10.04	10.21
" rib	"	(a) 14.25 (b) 9.50	14.25 9.50	14.25 9.50	15.00 10.25	7.25	7.25	7.25	7.25	6.78	6.76	6.74	6.82
" steak, rump		..			..	12.25	12.25	12.25	12.25	12.53	12.49	12.15	12.56
Mutton, leg	"	(a) 15.25 (b) 10.25	15.50 10.25	15.50 10.25	16.00 11.00	10.75	10.75	10.75	10.75	11.14	10.98	10.98	11.21

(a) British. (b) Chilled or frozen. (c) Average for all towns.

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Article.	Unit or Quantity.	Canada. Ottawa. Feb.	Ottawa. May.	Ottawa. Aug.	Ottawa. Nov.	Montreal. Feb.	Montreal. May.	Montreal. Aug.	Montreal. Nov.	United States of America.(a) Feb.	United States of America.(a) May.	United States of America.(a) Aug.	United States of America.(a) Nov.
		cents.	cents.	cents.	cents.	cents.	cents.	cents.	cents.	cents.	cents	cents.	cents.
Bread	2 lb.	13.4	13.4	13.4	13.4	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	16.9	16.0	15.8	15.8
Flour, ordinary ..	2 lb.	7.0	6.6	6.4	7.6	7.2	6.4	6.8	7.6	7.2	7.2	7.2	8.4
Tea	lb.	61.1	61.3	60.9	62.1	65.2	64.2	61.8	64.5	70.4	70.0	69.6	70.0
Jam, plum	1½ lb.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	.	..	..
Sugar	lb.	6.0	5.9	6.0	6.9	5.7	5.8	5.9	6.8	5.1	5.1	5.2	5.8
Rice	"	8.5	7.7	7.8	8.3	7.5	7.4	7.1	7.6	7.6	7.5	7.5	8.1
Oatmeal	"	4.9	4.8	5.0	5.2	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.1	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.1
Raisins	"	16.7	16.5	16.4	16.9	16.4	16.9	16.7	17.1	10.0	10.0	10.0	..
Potatoes	7 lb.	13.3	20.0	14.1	13.7	13.2	17.7	11.9	13.0	16.8	18.9	15.9	16.3
Onions	lb.	4.7	5.1	5.2	4.4	4.5	5.4	5.3	4.1	4.0	4.4	3.6	3.1
Milk	quart	11.0	11.0	11.0	11.0	11.5	11.5	10.5	11.5	12.5	11.6	12.0	12.8
Butter	lb.	25.8	24.4	24.7	30.6	26.4	24.9	25.1	31.1	33.0	29.9	30.8	35.6
Cheese	"	21.0	20.0	20.3	21.7	21.2	20.7	20.5	20.9	25.0	24.1	24.2	25.6
Eggs	dozen	31.8	27.7	31.7	46.4	33.0	29.0	34.6	47.2	29.9	28.1	32.6	39.6
Bacon	lb.	29.8 33.2	28.4 31.8	29.5 32.2	30.6 33.1	27.4 30.8	26.8 30.1	26.8 30.0	28.2 31.2	34.5	32.5	30.6	30.4
Beef, sirloin	"	..	..	..	.	..		..	.	..	..	.	
" rib	"	22.6	23.5	23.0	23.8	21.4	23.0	22.9	22.8	30.1	30.5	29.2	29.1
" steak, rump ..	"	28.0	29.2	29.4	28.7	27.6	28.4	28.8	29.7	39.0	39.7	39.6	35.1
Mutton, leg	"	25.7	24.4	25.1	26.0	23.1	26.1	25.4	24.4			.	..

(a) Average for all towns.

APPENDIX.

Section I.

Sydney : Average Retail Prices of Chief Food and Groceries Items during each Month of the Year, 1939.

Article.	Unit.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Average, 1939.
		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Groceries, &c.—														
Bread	2 lb.	6.05	6.00	6.05	6.05	6.05	6.03	6 03	5.98	6.03	5 98	5.98	5.98	6.02
Flour, ordinary ..	"	4.95	4 95	4.90	4.90	4.90	4.90	4.85	4.85	4.85	4.85	4.85	4.85	4.88
" self-raising ..	"	7 60	7.55	7.50	7.45	7.40	7.35	7.35	7.35	7.60	7.60	7.60	7.60	7 50
Tea	lb.	26 60	26.60	26.60	26.60	26.50	26.50	26.60	26 60	26.60	29.65	29 65	29.65	27 35
Sugar	"	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4 00	4.00	4.00	4 00	4 00	4 00	4.00	4 00	4 00
Rice (Australian) ..	"	3.00	3.35	3.35	3.40	3 40	3.40	3.35	3.35	3.40	3.40	3.40	3.40	3.35
Sago	"	3.00	3 05	3.05	3.05	3.05	3.05	3.05	3.05	3.05	3.10	3 28	3 38	3.10
Jam, plum ..	1¼ lb.	9.05	9.20	9.55	9.65	9.55	9.55	9 60	9.65	9.80	9.80	9.80	9.90	9 59
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	6 70	6.75	6.75	6.75	6.75	6.70	6 65	6.65	6.65	6.65	6.65	6 65	6.69
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	3.14	3.22	3.28	3.39	3.39	3.39	3 33	3.25	3.33	3.28	3.35	3.35	3.31
Raisins, seeded ..	"	10 37	10 32	10.32	10.32	10.08	10.05	10.28	10 28	10 28	10 28	10.53	10.63	10.31
Currants	"	8 61	8.61	8.61	8.61	8.72	8.61	8.61	8.72	8 80	8.90	8.95	8.95	8.73
Apricots, dried ..	"	14.06	14.17	14.33	14.40	14.19	14.61	14 38	14.38	15.44	15 44	15.39	15.44	14.69
Peaches, canned ..	30 oz.	9 65	9.90	9.80	9.85	9.95	10 05	10.00	9.95	10 00	10.05	10.05	10.05	9.91
Pears, canned ..	"	9.70	10.80	10.80	10.95	11.00	11 00	11.00	11.00	11 05	11.10	11.20	11.20	10 90
Salmon, in tins ..	lb.	12.78	12.78	12.89	13.06	13.06	13 06	13 06	13.00	13.35	13.90	14.70	14.80	13.37
Potatoes	7 lb.	16.50	21.43	17.57	16.07	13 81	15.19	17.56	20.31	20.81	22.69	19.19	12.44	17.80
Onions, brown ..	lb.	4.00	4.07	3.64	3.86	4.21	4.14	4.36	4.29	4 21	4.21	3.46	2.93	3 95
Soap	"	6.35	6.35	6.37	6.37	6 37	6.37	6.37	6.37	6.37	6 37	6 37	6.37	6 37
Kerosene	quart	4.88	4.88	4.88	4.88	4.88	4.88	4.94	4.94	4.94	4.94	4.94	4 94	4 91
Dairy Produce—														
Butter, factory ..	lb.	19.05	19.05	19.05	19 00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.05	19.05	19.05	19.05	19.05	19.03
Cheese, mild ..	"	14.05	14.40	14.45	14.45	14.60	14.70	14.65	14.65	14.55	14.85	14.65	14.65	14.55
Eggs, new laid ..	1 doz.	19.50	25.35	18.65	22.60	23.85	23.90	17.95	14 95	14.85	14.85	14.85	16.85	19 01
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	16.95	16 60	16 40	16 15	16.10	15.70	15 70	15.50	15.70	16 20	17.00	17.10	16.26
Milk, condensed ..	1 tin	9 00	9.00	9.05	9 05	9 05	9.05	9.10	9 10	9 10	9.10	9.10	9.10	9.07
" fresh ..	1 quart	7 10	7.10	7.10	7 10	7.10	7.10	7.10	7.00	7.10	7.10	7.10	7 10	7 09
Meat—														
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	10.55	10.65	10.55	10.70	10.35	10.35	9 95	9.95	10 00	10 20	10.40	10.70	10.36
" rib	"	7.90	7.85	7.90	8 00	7.60	7.80	7.70	7.45	7 55	7.70	7.85	8.00	7.78
" steak, rump ..	"	15.00	15 00	14.90	15.00	14.90	15.00	15.00	14 80	14.70	14.80	14.80	15.00	14.91
" " chuck ..	"	7.00	7.00	7.00	6.90	6.65	6 70	6.70	6.70	6.75	6.75	6 75	6.95	6.82
" sausages ..	"	5.85	5 85	5 85	5 90	5.85	5.85	5.80	5.80	5 90	5 90	5 90	5 95	5 87
Beef (corned) silver side	"	8 35	8 35	8.25	8.40	8.10	8 05	8.20	7 95	8 05	8.05	8 30	8 60	8.22
" " brisket	"	6.20	6.30	6 20	6.15	5.90	5.80	5 95	5 75	5 90	6.10	6.30	6.45	6 08
Mutton, leg ..	"	7.40	7 40	7.45	7.25	7 10	7.15	7.15	7.10	7 10	7.25	7.25	7.45	7 25
" forequarter	"	4.30	4.25	4.40	4.20	4.15	4.18	4.10	4.00	4.08	4 33	4.28	4 33	4.22
" loin ..	"	7 75	7 70	7.70	7.90	8.20	8.40	8.10	7.75	7.95	8.10	8.10	8 45	8.01
" chops, loin	"	9.20	9 10	9.25	9.00	8.80	8 90	8.75	8 60	8.75	8.75	9.05	9.15	8.94
" " leg	"	8.40	8 25	8.35	8.10	7 85	7.90	7.95	7 70	7 75	7.80	7.80	8.10	8.00
Pork, leg ..	"	13.60	12.70	12.70	13.00	13.20	12.70	12.60	12.70	12 90	13 40	13.70	13.90	13.09
" loin ..	"	13.60	12.90	12 80	13.50	13.40	13.20	13.25	12.95	13.10	13.60	13.80	13.80	13.33
" chops ..	"	13.60	13.60	13.50	13.55	13.30	13.15	13.20	13 20	13 25	13.50	13 80	13.80	13 45

SECTION I.—*continued.*

Melbourne : Average Retail Prices of Chief Food and Groceries Items during each Month of the Year, 1939.

Article.	Unit.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Average, 1939.
		d.	*d.*	*d.*	*d*	*d.*	*d*	*d.*	*d.*	*d*	*d.*	*d*	*d.*	*d.*
Groceries, &c.—														
Bread	2 lb.	5.43	5 43	5.43	5.40	5 40	5.40	5.40	5.40	5 38	5.38	5 38	5.38	5.40
Flour, ordinary ..	"	4.40	4.40	4.25	4.25	4.05	4.05	4.15	4.35	4.35	4.25	4.20	4.25	4.25
" self-raising ..	"	7.70	7 50	7.45	7 45	7.45	7.45	7 45	7.45	7 45	7.45	7.45	7.45	7.48
Tea	lb.	26.85	26 85	26 85	26.85	26 85	26.85	26.85	26.85	27.45	30.05	30 25	30 35	27.74
Sugar	"	4.00	4.00	4 00	4 00	4.00	4 00	4.00	4 00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00
Rice (Australian) ..	"	3.23	3.38	3.55	3.45	3.48	3.45	3.45	3 45	3 48	3 48	3 48	3 48	3.45
Sago	"	3.08	3.03	3.03	3.03	3.13	3.03	3.05	3.05	3.05	3.13	3 23	3.28	3.09
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	7.95	8.15	8.35	8.35	8 30	8.35	8 45	8.45	8.55	8.60	8.60	8.60	8.40
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	7.15	7.15	7.20	7.15	7.20	7.15	7.10	7.10	7.10	7 10	7.15	7.15	7.14
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	3.53	3.53	3.53	3 58	3.60	3 60	3.63	3.63	3.53	3.53	3.45	3 50	3.56
Raisins, seeded ..	"	10.10	10 35	10.30	10 50	10.55	10 35	10.35	10.35	10.50	10 55	10.60	10.60	10 43
Currants	"	8.60	8 65	8.60	8 60	8.70	8.65	8 70	8 80	8.89	9.00	8.94	9.00	8.76
Apricots, dried ..	"	14.85	15.05	15.25	15.45	15.55	15 15	15 63	15 70	15.70	15 80	15.90	15.90	15.52
Peaches, canned ..	30 oz.	9.30	9.30	9.40	9.40	9 40	9 40	9.40	9.40	9.50	9.55	9.55	9.60	9.43
Pears, canned ..	"	9.65	9.75	9.85	10 00	10.05	9.95	9.85	9 95	10.15	10.25	10.35	10.40	10.02
Salmon, in tins ..	lb.	11.25	11.25	11 25	11.25	11.30	11.25	11 30	11.30	12.25	12 65	12.85	13.40	11.78
Potatoes	7 lb.	16.83	23.08	19 51	18.57	11 02	10.43	14.42	18.17	18.29	23 03	25.87	13.20	17.70
Onions, brown ..	lb.	3.67	3.83	3 61	3.69	3.97	3.56	3 75	4 11	3 92	3 72	3 34	1 18	3.53
Soap	"	6 99	6 99	6.99	6.99	6.99	6.99	6.99	6.99	7.07	6 89	6 89	6.89	6 97
Kerosene	quart	5 11	5.11	5.11	5 11	5.11	5.11	5.11	5.11	5.11	5.11	5 28	5.39	5.15
Dairy Produce—														
Butter, factory ..	lb.	19.50	19 50	19 50	19 50	19.50	19 50	19.50	19 50	19.50	19 50	19.45	19 50	19.50
Cheese, mild ..	"	13.56	13 56	13.31	13 31	13.50	13.39	13.39	13 39	13.44	13.31	13.31	13.44	13.41
Eggs, new laid ..	1 doz.	17 40	21.70	21.00	23.90	27 00	23.60	22.00	15.40	15 10	12.60	14 60	15 70	19 17
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	20.20	20.10	20 10	20.10	20.00	19.90	19.45	19.45	19 45	19 75	20.15	20.15	19.90
Milk, condensed ..	1 tin	9.10	9 20	9.25	9 25	9.25	9.35	9.35	9.40	9.44	9 45	9.45	9.45	9.33
" fresh .	1 quart	6.95	7 45	7.50	7.30	7 25	7.25	7 30	7.30	6 90	6.85	6 85	6 85	7 15
Meat—														
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	10.90	10.80	11.20	11.20	11.20	11.05	10.70	10 40	10.40	10.50	10 40	10.45	10.77
" rib	"	8.80	8 65	8.85	9 05	9.10	8.90	8.70	8 30	8.20	8.40	8.40	8.55	8.66
" steak, rump ..	"	15 70	15.60	15.90	15.90	15 90	15.80	15.60	15.50	15.40	15 40	15 40	15.50	15.63
" " chuck ..	"	6.95	6.90	7.20	7.25	7.25	7.25	7.10	6 90	6.90	6.90	6 90	7 10	7.05
" sausages ..	"	5.44	5.44	5 50	5.50	5 44	5 56	5 56	5 44	5 44	5 44	5 44	5.56	5 48
Beef (corned) silver-side	"	9.00	9.00	9 25	9.25	9.05	9 05	8 80	8.65	8 70	8 85	8.85	9.00	8.95
" " brisket	"	6 95	6.95	7 10	7.15	6.95	6 80	6.65	6.70	6.70	6.70	6.70	6.85	6.85
Mutton, leg ..	"	7 45	7 40	7.95	8 20	7.95	7 85	7 85	7.35	7.60	7.65	7 75	7.85	7.74
" forequarter	"	4.25	4 20	4.85	4.95	4.90	4 95	4 80	4 50	4.55	4 55	4.50	4.55	4.63
" loin ..	"	7.20	7.20	7 90	7 70	7.55	7.35	7.30	7 05	7.20	7 25	7.25	7.45	7 37
" chops, loin	"	8.25	8.45	8 65	8 95	8.55	8.50	8.60	7.95	8.15	8.05	8 05	8 30	8 37
" " leg	"	8 55	8.40	8 85	8.85	8.85	8 80	8.85	8 45	8.35	8.55	8 55	8.80	8.65
Pork, leg ..	"	12 20	12 10	12.40	12.50	12.20	12.30	12 30	12 20	12.80	13 20	13.50	13.75	12.62
" loin ..	"	12.25	12.25	12.60	12.65	12.60	12.60	12.50	12 60	13.40	13.60	13 90	14.00	12 91
" chops ..	"	12.70	12 70	12.95	13.00	13.10	13 10	13.05	13 10	13.80	13.90	14.10	14.15	13.30

SECTION I.—*continued.*

Brisbane : Average Retail Prices of Chief Food and Groceries Items during each Month of the Year, 1939.

Article.	Unit.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Average, 1939.
		d	d.	d	d	d	d	d	d	d	d	d.	d	d.
Groceries, &c.—														
Bread	2 lb.	5 50	5.50	5 50	5.50	5 50	5 50	5.50	5.50	5.75	5 75	5.75	5 75	5 58
Flour, ordinary ..	"	4 05	4 05	4 05	4.05	4 05	4.05	4 05	4.05	4 05	4 05	4 05	4 05	4 05
" self-raising ..	"	8 32	8.32	8.32	8 27	8 27	8.27	8 27	8 27	8 27	8 32	8 27	8.27	8.29
Tea	lb.	26.95	26 95	26.95	26 95	26.95	26.95	26.95	26 95	26 95	29.14	29 91	29.82	27.62
Sugar	"	3 98	3.98	3 98	3 98	3.98	3.98	3.98	3.98	3 98	3 08	3 98	3 98	3 98
Rice (Australian) ..	"	3.02	3.18	3.32	3 32	3 32	3.27	3 25	3 30	3.30	3 30	3 34	3.34	3 27
Sago	"	3 00	3 00	3.00	3 00	3 00	2 98	2 98	2.98	3.00	3.05	3 11	3 25	3.03
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	7 95	8.02	8 15	8 08	8.08	8 15	8.15	8 15	8 25	8 25	8.25	8 25	8 14
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	6 77	6 77	6.77	6.77	6.77	6 77	6 77	6 77	6.77	6 77	6.73	6.73	6.76
Oats, flaked ..	lb	3 59	3 59	3 73	3.64	3 68	3.64	3.64	3 59	3.45	3 43	3 45	3 36	3.57
Raisins, seeded ..	"	10 64	10.64	10 64	10 64	10 64	10 55	10.64	10 64	10.64	10.68	10 77	11 09	10.68
Currants ..	"	9.55	9.55	9 55	9 55	9 55	9 55	9 59	9.55	9 45	9 45	9 55	9.55	9 54
Apricots, dried ..	"	15.45	15 45	15 73	15.86	15 82	15 82	15 86	15 86	15 86	15.77	15 95	16 50	15.83
Peaches, canned ..	30 oz.	10 45	10 45	10.50	10.55	10.50	10.50	10.50	10 55	10 68	10 68	10 55	10.55	10.55
Pears, canned ..	"	10 95	10 95	11 00	10 95	10 95	10 91	10 91	10 95	10 91	10 91	10.86	11.05	10 94
Salmon, in tins ..	lb.	13 33	13 33	13.33	13.33	13 33	13.33	13.33	13 42	13 92	13.92	14.57	14 69	13.65
Potatoes	7 lb.	17 09	24.23	22.82	21 27	8 77	8.18	12 55	14 55	15.32	19 14	11.59	8.55	15.34
Onions, brown ..	lb.	4.00	4 09	3 73	3 84	4.27	3.93	4 02	4 20	3 86	2 64	1.27	1.21	3.42
Soap ..	"	6.15	6 15	6.15	6 15	6.15	6 15	6.12	6.15	6 18	6 15	6.15	6.15	6.15
Kerosene ..	quart	4.52	4.52	4.52	4 52	4.52	4 52	4 52	4.52	4 57	4.57	4 66	4.66	4.55
Dairy Produce—														
Butter, factory ..	lb.	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19 00	19 00	19 00	19.00	19 00
Cheese, mild ..	"	13.27	13.27	13.27	13.27	13.27	13.27	13.27	13 27	13.27	13.27	13.23	13 27	13 27
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	18 77	24 73	19.27	23 32	26.91	22.64	17.36	15.55	14.55	14.55	14.45	15.45	18.96
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	14.68	14.73	14.50	14 45	14.59	14.50	14.50	14.64	14.73	14.64	15 09	15.09	14 68
Milk, condensed ..	tin	9.27	9.32	9 32	9.32	9.27	9.32	9.27	9.27	9.27	9.27	9.23	9 23	9.28
" fresh ..	quart	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6 00	6.00	6 00	6 00	6 00	6 00	6 00	6.00	6 00
Meat—														
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	8.80	8.85	8.75	8.50	8.50	8.40	8.65	8 70	8.70	8.70	9.00	9.20	8.73
" rib	"	5.70	5.75	5.75	5 65	5.70	5.70	5 70	5 75	5.75	5.75	6.05	6.30	5.80
" steak, rump ..	"	11.35	11.40	11.50	11.35	11.30	11.25	11.40	11.40	11.40	11.40	11.70	11.85	11.44
" " chuck ..	"	5.75	5.80	5.80	5.70	5 70	5.70	5 80	5 80	5.80	5 80	6 05	6.20	5.83
" sausages ..	"	5.80	5.85	5 85	5.80	5.85	5 80	5 80	5 80	5.80	5 80	5.95	5 95	5.84
Beef, (corned) silver-side	"	7.40	7.45	7 55	7.35	7.25	7.30	7.35	7.35	7.35	7 35	7.65	7.75	7.43
" " brisket	"	5 45	5.60	5.60	5.45	5.50	5.40	5.50	5.40	5.40	5 45	5.70	5.80	5 52
Mutton, leg ..	"	7 70	7.65	7 65	7.70	7 65	7.40	7 60	7.45	7 45	7 45	7.40	7.50	7.55
" forequarter	"	5.20	5.15	5.10	5.05	5.00	5 05	5 20	5.00	5.00	5.05	4.95	5.05	5 07
" loin ..	"	7.45	7.50	7 40	7.45	7 40	7.20	7 30	7.15	7.25	7 25	7.45	7.30	7.34
" chops, loin	"	7 60	7.65	7.60	7 65	7.55	7.40	7.55	7.50	7.50	7 60	7.70	7.65	7 58
" " leg	"	7.75	7.80	7.75	7 80	7.80	7.70	7.75	7 70	7.70	7.75	7.90	7.85	7.77
Pork, leg ..	"	11 55	11 55	11.45	11.25	11.30	11.05	11 40	11.30	11.30	11.30	11.40	11.45	11 36
" loin ..	"	11.45	11.45	11.35	11.20	11.20	11.20	11.35	11.40	11.35	11.40	11 60	11.65	11 38
" chops ..	"	11 50	11.45	11 50	11 30	11.40	11.35	11 50	11 55	11.55	11 55	11.65	11.70	11.50

SECTION I.—*continued*.

Adelaide : Average Retail Prices of Chief Food and Groceries Items during each Month of the Year, 1939.

Article.	Unit.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Average, 1939.
Groceries, &c.—		d.	d	d	d	d.	d	d.	d	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread	2 lb.	5 50	5 50	5.50	5.50	5 50	5 50	5.50	5 50	5 50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50
Flour, ordinary ..	"	4 55	4.55	4 60	4.60	4.60	4 60	4.55	4 55	4 60	4.65	4.65	4 60	4.59
" self-raising ..	"	6.75	6 75	6.70	6 75	6 75	6.75	6 70	6.70	6.75	6.75	6.75	6.75	6.74
Tea	lb.	27 85	27 85	27.85	27.85	27 85	27 85	27.85	27 85	27.85	29 95	30 45	30 75	28.48
Sugar	"	3 94	3.94	3.93	3.93	3.93	3.93	3 93	3 93	4 28	3.06	3.93	3 93	3 96
Rice (Australian) ..	"	3 00	3.08	3 30	3 45	3.45	3 50	3.50	3.50	3.50	3.50	3.50	3.45	3.39
Sago	"	2.80	2 78	2 75	2.75	2.75	2 70	2 70	2.70	2 80	2.85	2.85	3.03	2.79
Jam, plum ..	1½lb.	8 00	8 00	8 00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8 00	8 00	8.00	8.05	8.10	8.10	8.02
Golden Syrup ..	2lb.	6.40	6.50	6.55	6 55	6 50	6.50	6.50	6.50	6 60	6.60	6 55	6.50	6.52
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	3.43	3.43	3.43	3.50	3.50	3.50	3.50	3 50	3 43	3.38	3 38	3 35	3 44
Raisins, seeded ..	"	8.60	8.60	8 40	8 60	8.90	8.80	8.75	8.80	8 80	8 85	8.90	9 10	8 76
Currants	"	7.95	8 00	8 00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8 05	8.10	8 05	8.00	8 15	8 20	8.04
Apricots, dried ..	"	13 95	13.95	14.20	14.20	14 40	14 40	14 50	14 50	14 60	14.90	14.89	14.78	14.44
Peaches, canned ..	30 oz.	9.75	9.75	9.85	9 85	9 85	9 85	9 85	9.85	9 85	9 95	9 90	10.00	9.86
Pears, canned ..	"	9.70	9 75	9 75	9.70	9 80	9.80	9.75	9 80	9.80	9.85	9.85	9 85	9 78
Salmon, in tins ..	lb.	11.35	11.35	11 55	11 55	11.55	11 55	11.55	11.60	11 85	11.95	12.70	12.90	11.79
Potatoes	7 lb.	15 14	21.29	19.57	16 14	10 75	11.00	14 29	16.29	17 64	21 33	16.00	11.68	15 93
Onions, brown ..	lb.	2.14	2.79	2.86	2.93	3 07	3.07	3.07	4 21	5 10	4.88	4 88	4 88	3.66
Soap	"	6.64	6.64	6.64	6 64	6 64	6.64	6.64	6.64	6.67	6.67	6.67	6 67	6 65
Kerosene	quart	4.56	4.44	4.31	4.31	4.31	4.29	4.29	4.29	4.29	4.29	4 36	4.36	4 34
Dairy Produce—														
Butter, factory ..	lb.	19 50	19.50	19.50	19.50	19 50	19 50	19.00	19 00	19 00	19.00	19 05	19.10	19 26
Cheese, mild ..	"	12.25	12.25	12 20	12 30	12 30	12 30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12 20	12.20	12.27
Eggs, new laid ..	doz	14 60	20.60	17 20	18.25	22 60	19 70	17.70	13.15	11 30	12.15	11 70	12.50	15.95
Bacon, rashers	lb.	18.50	18 50	18.00	17.85	17.75	17 65	17.75	17.55	17.55	17.45	17.45	17.65	17.80
Milk, condensed ..	tin	9.25	9 25	9.15	9.15	9.15	9 15	9.15	9.15	9.15	9.15	9.15	9.15	9.17
" fresh .	quart	5.95	5 85	5.85	5.85	5 85	5 95	5.85	5 85	5.85	5 85	5.85	5 85	5 87
Meat—														
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	9 60	9.40	9.85	10.30	9 75	9 40	9.40	9.05	9.05	9.00	8 90	8.95	9 39
" rib	"	7.75	7.90	8.35	8 85	8 50	8 20	7.95	7.55	7 55	7 45	7.25	7.35	7 89
" steak, rump ..	"	12.60	13.00	13.40	14.10	13.70	13.40	13 30	12.90	12.90	12.90	12 80	12.90	13.16
" " chuck ..	"	8 00	8 20	8.50	8.90	8 60	8.50	8.10	7.70	7 70	7.70	7.40	7 70	8.08
" sausages ..	"	5 40	5 30	5.20	5.40	5 40	5 50	5.20	5.20	5 20	5.10	5.10	5.10	5.26
Beef (corned) silver-side	"	9 40	9.50	9.70	10.10	9.70	9.50	9.25	8.95	9.05	9.10	9.20	9 10	9 38
" " brisket	"	7 10	7.20	7.55	7.90	7 55	7.20	6.90	6.45	6.45	6 45	6.50	6 75	7.00
Mutton, leg .	"	7 60	7.45	8.15	8.25	8 20	8.10	7.65	7 40	7.40	7.45	7.40	7.65	7.73
" forequarter	"	4 25	4.10	4 80	4 70	4.75	4.60	4.30	4.20	4 10	4.15	4 00	4.15	4.34
" loin ..	"	6.90	6.95	7.45	7.40	7.35	7 30	7 10	6.85	6 95	6.95	6 80	6.80	7.07
" chops, loin	"	7 90	7.80	8.30	8.40	8.30	8.20	8 20	7.80	7.70	7.70	7.70	8.00	8.00
" " leg	"	8.80	8 70	9.30	9.40	9.30	9.20	9.00	8.60	8 50	8 70	8.40	8.80	8.89
Pork, leg ..	"	11.25	11.25	11.10	11 25	11 25	11.30	11.45	11.35	11 25	11.30	11.35	11 75	11.32
" loin ..	"	11.70	11.70	11.75	11.90	11.90	11.90	11.80	11.85	11.70	11.85	11.80	12.10	11.83
" chops ..	"	12.10	12.10	12.00	12.20	12.20	12.20	12.20	12.00	11 80	12.00	12.00	12.30	12.06

SECTION I.—*continued.*

Perth : Average Retail Prices of Chief Food and Groceries Items during each Month of the Year, 1939.

Article.	Unit.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Average, 1939.
		d.	*d*	*d.*	*d.*	*d*	*d.*	*d*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d*
Groceries, &c.—														
Bread	2 lb.	6 00	6.00	6.00	6 00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6 00	6.00	6 00	6.00	6.00
Flour, ordinary ..	"	4 85	5.00	5 00	5.00	5.00	5.00	4.90	4 90	5.00	5 00	5.00	5.00	4.97
" self-raising ..	"	7.45	7.45	7 45	7 40	7 40	7 40	7 35	7 35	7 40	7.35	7.35	7 30	7.39
Tea	lb.	27.90	27.90	27 90	27.90	27 90	27 90	27.90	27 90	27 90	30 90	30.90	30 90	28.65
Sugar	"	4 00	4.00	4 00	4 00	4.00	4 00	4 00	4.00	4 00	4 00	4.00	4 00	4.00
Rice (Australian) ..	"	3.25	3.55	3 60	3.55	3.60	3 50	3 55	3.55	3.55	3.55	3.50	3.50	3.50
Sago	"	3.15	3.15	3.15	3.15	3 20	3.25	3.15	3.15	3.20	3 25	3.25	3 25	3.19
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	8.75	8 90	9 05	8.95	9 00	8.95	8.95	8.95	8.95	9 00	9.00	9.05	8 96
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	7.40	7.35	7 35	7.40	7.30	7.35	7.35	7.35	7.35	7.35	7.35	7.35	7.35
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	3.80	3.75	3.80	3.80	3 85	3.90	3.78	3.70	3 70	3.73	3.75	3.73	3 77
Raisins, seeded ..	"	9 45	9 45	9.55	9.70	9 70	9.70	10.05	10.05	10 05	10 25	10.25	10.60	9 90
Currants	"	8.80	8.80	8.95	8.85	8.85	8.90	8 85	8 85	8.85	8.85	8.90	8.95	8.87
Apricots, dried ..	"	14.70	14.70	14.70	14 80	15 00	14 90	14 60	14.60	14.70	14.70	14.70	14.90	14.75
Peaches, canned ..	30 oz.	11.05	11.05	11.05	11.05	11.05	11.05	11.05	11.05	11 00	11 00	11.00	10.95	11.03
Pears, canned ..	"	11.55	11 65	11.65	11.65	11.65	11.65	11.65	11.65	11.55	11.65	11.65	11.65	11.63
Salmon, in tins ..	lb.	12.40	12.40	12.50	12.50	12.50	12 50	12 50	12.50	12.80	13.70	13.80	14.10	12.85
Potatoes	7 lb	11.15	16.85	16.40	18 00	9.95	11.00	14 30	17.75	16.40	17.25	9.40	7.20	13.80
Onions, brown ..	lb.	2.35	2.80	2.90	3.75	4.50	4.55	4.10	4.25	4.25	3.55	2 55	2.00	3.46
Soap	"	6.67	6.67	6.67	6.67	6.67	6.67	6.67	6.67	6.67	6.67	6.67	6.67	6.67
Kerosene .. .	quart	4.70	4.70	4.70	4 70	4.70	4.70	4.70	4.70	4.70	4.70	4.74	4.78	4.71
Dairy Produce—														
Butter, factory ..	lb.	19.90	19.90	19.90	19.90	19.95	19.95	19.95	19.95	19.95	19.95	19.95	19.95	19.93
Cheese, mild ..	"	14.80	14.80	14.80	14.80	14.80	14.80	15.00	15.00	15.00	15 10	15.10	15.10	14.93
Eggs, new laid ..	1 doz.	15.60	18.50	19.40	26.70	29.00	26.10	20.80	12.80	12.50	11.75	12.70	13.80	18.30
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	17.30	17.40	17.40	17.40	17 40	17.40	17.40	17.40	17.40	17 40	17.40	17.40	17.39
Milk, condensed ..	tin	9.25	9.35	9.35	9.35	9.45	9.40	9.40	9.40	9.40	9.40	9.40	9.35	9.38
" fresh ..	quart	7.00	7.00	7 00	7.00	7.00	7 00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7 00	7 00	7.00	7.00
Meat—														
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	9.00	9.30	9 30	9.40	9 60	9.60	9 30	9.25	9.20	9.40	9 30	9.30	9.33
" rib	"	7.70	8.00	7.90	8.20	8.35	8.35	8.25	8.15	8.05	8.35	8 25	8.25	8.15
" steak, rump ..	"	14.90	15.00	15.10	15.30	15.30	15.50	15.50	15.40	15.40	15.40	15.40	15.40	15.30
" " chuck ..	"	7.70	7.80	8.10	8 20	8.20	8.25	8.15	8.10	8.00	8.20	8 10	8.10	8.08
" sausages ..	"	6.35	6 40	6.40	6.30	6 50	6 70	6.60	6 70	6.60	6.60	6.60	6.50	6 52
Beef (corned) silver-side	"	8.45	8.70	8.70	8.70	8.70	8 70	8.60	8 60	8.50	8.70	8 50	8.60	8.62
" " brisket	"	6.45	6.65	6.65	6.75	6.70	6.80	6 55	6.65	6.55	6.55	6.55	6.55	6.62
Mutton, leg ..	"	7.45	7.65	7.65	7.85	8.25	8.20	8.05	8.05	7 95	7.90	7.95	7.90	7.90
" forequarter	"	4.35	4.40	4.40	4.50	4 70	4.70	4.80	4.90	4.80	4.65	4.65	4.55	4.62
" loin ..	"	7.05	7.20	7.30	7.50	7.70	7.70	7.75	7.75	7.45	7.05	7.35	7.25	7.42
" chops, loin	"	7.85	8.10	8.20	8.30	8.35	8.45	8 45	8 40	8.40	8.30	8 10	8.10	8.25
" " leg	"	8.20	8.40	8.50	8.50	8.70	8 60	8.50	8.50	8.45	8.35	8.45	8.35	8.46
Pork, leg ..	"	14.10	14.00	13.90	14.00	13.80	13.50	13.40	13 40	13.40	13.40	13.30	13.10	13.61
" loin ..	"	14.00	13.90	13.90	14.00	14.00	13.80	13.50	13.50	13.40	13.40	13.10	13.10	13.63
" chops ..	"	14.10	14.00	14.00	14.10	14.00	13.80	13.90	13.80	13.70	13.60	13.20	13.20	13.78

SECTION I.—*continued.*

Hobart : Average Retail Prices of Chief Food and Groceries Items during each Month of the Year, 1939.

Article.	Unit	January.	February.	March.	April	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December	Average, 1939
Groceries, &c.—		d	d	d	d	d	d.	d	d	d	d	d	d	d
Bread	1 lb	5 00	5.00	5 00	5.00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5.00	5 00	5 00	5 00
Flour, ordinary	"	3 80	3 00	3 80	3 80	3 80	3 80	3 80	3.80	3 70	3 70	3 70	3.80	3 78
" self-raising	"	6.15	6 15	6 15	6.10	6 10	6 10	6 40	6 40	6 40	6 55	6 55	6 60	6.30
Tea	lb	26 90	26 90	26 90	27 00	27 10	27 10	27.00	27 00	26 90	29 95	29 95	30 05	27.73
Sugar	"	4 00	4 00	4 00	4.00	4 28	4 25	4 25	4 25	4 33	4 28	4 00	4.00	4.14
Rice (Australian)	"	3.50	3 60	3 70	3 70	3 70	3 70	3 70	3.70	3 70	3 70	3 70	3 70	3 68
Sago	"	3.60	3 50	3 50	3 50	3 55	3.55	3 55	3.55	3.55	3 60	3 60	3 70	3 56
Jam, plum	1½ lb	7 80	7 85	7 85	7.85	7 95	7 95	7 95	7 95	7 85	7 85	7 95	7 95	7.90
Golden Syrup	2 lb	7 40	7 40	7 40	7.40	7 40	7 40	7.40	7 40	7 40	7 40	7 40	7 40	7 40
Oats, flaked	lb	3 70	3 75	3 80	3 75	3 85	3 90	3.90	3 88	3 78	3.73	3 65	3 63	3.78
Raisins, seeded	"	10 15	10.15	10 25	10.30	10 30	10 25	10 25	10.10	10.10	10 10	10 40	10 60	10.32
Currants	"	9.20	9 22	9 22	9 22	9 35	9 35	9 30	9 20	9 20	9 20	9.25	9.30	9.25
Apricots, dried	"	14.14	14 44	14 44	14 14	14.86	14 88	14 78	14 78	14 67	14 78	14 78	14 78	14 68
Peaches, canned	30 oz	10.45	10 15	10 50	10 50	10 50	10 50	10 50	10.55	10 60	10 60	10 60	10 60	10 53
Pears, canned	"	10 40	10.10	10 40	10 40	10 40	10 40	10.35	10 40	10 40	10 45	10 45	10 15	10.41
Salmon, in tins	lb.	12 40	12 30	12 30	12 30	12 30	12.30	12.33	12 33	12 50	12 50	12 70	13 80	12 51
Potatoes	7 lb.	17 63	20 40	18 96	18 10	15 98	15 08	14 80	16.65	17 53	19 68	22 87	20 53	18 19
Onions, brown	lb	1.30	4 56	1 50	1 25	4 30	1 15	4.15	1 55	1.70	4 60	1.33	2 75	4.26
Soap,	"	7.19	7 19	7.28	7 19	7 19	7 19	7 00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7 00	7 10
Kerosene	quart	5 53	5 53	5.53	5 53	5 53	5 53	5 53	5 53	5 53	5 53	5 63	5 71	5 55
Dairy Produce—														
Butter, factory	lb.	20 00	20 00	20 00	20 00	20 00	20 00	20 00	20 00	20 00	20.00	20 00	20 00	20 00
Cheese, mild	"	12 65	12 95	13 30	13 30	13 50	13 50	13.56	13.60	13.70	13 90	13.90	13.80	13.47
Eggs, new laid	doz.	15.70	21 10	18 10	22 90	27.67	23 70	23.00	15.30	13 00	11 90	12 20	18 00	18.57
Bacon, rashers	lb.	15 90	15 90	15 90	15 90	15 90	15 90	15 90	15 90	15 90	15.90	16 00	16.00	15 92
Milk, condensed	tin	9 50	9 55	9 55	9 55	9.55	9 60	9 60	9.60	9.60	9 60	9.60	9 60	9 58
" fresh	quart	6 10	6 10	6.70	6 80	6 80	6 80	6.80	6 80	6 80	6 67	6 56	6 56	6.62
Meat—														
Beef, sirloin	lb	8 90	9.00	8 00	9 00	9 00	9 10	9 10	9.10	9 30	9.60	9.50	9 50	9 17
" rib	"	7.55	7.45	7 55	7 55	7.65	7 65	7 65	7 65	7.75	8 15	8 15	7 90	7 77
" steak, rump	"	13.00	13.00	13 00	12 80	12.80	12 80	12 80	12 80	12 90	13.00	13 30	13 50	13 03
" " chuck	"	6.90	6.90	7 00	6 80	6 90	6 90	6 80	6.00	7.10	7 50	7 40	7 60	7 06
" sausages	"	5 90	5.90	5 90	5.90	5.90	5.90	6 00	6 00	5 90	6 00	6 00	6 00	5 94
Beef (corned) silver-side	"	9 10	9.10	9 10	9 10	9 10	9 10	9 10	9 10	9.20	9.50	9.60	9.50	9 22
" " brisket	"	7 60	7.60	7 60	7.60	7.60	7 60	7.60	7.60	7.60	7.85	8.00	7 90	7.68
Mutton, leg	"	8 30	8 15	8 30	8 30	8 20	8.20	8 05	8 10	8 30	8 80	8.90	8.50	8.34
" forequarter	"	5 20	4 95	5 10	5 10	5 10	5 10	5.15	5.15	5.50	5 85	5 85	5.45	5 29
" loin	"	7.40	7.35	7.40	7.25	7 50	7.30	7.35	7.40	7 55	7.95	7.85	7.95	7.52
" chops, loin	"	9 20	9.10	9.40	9.30	9.10	9 10	9.00	9.00	9.00	9 70	9 50	9.30	9.23
" " leg	"	9 40	9.20	9.50	9.50	9 30	9.40	9.10	9 20	9 40	9.70	9 80	9 80	9 44
Pork, leg	"	11 50	11 10	11 50	11 70	11.30	11.10	11 30	11.70	12 00	12.20	12.20	12.20	11.65
" loin	"	11.80	11.60	11 80	11 50	11.60	11 30	11 70	11.90	12 20	12 50	12.50	12.60	11.92
" chops	"	11.90	11 80	11 90	11.90	11 00	11.50	11.80	12 00	12 40	12 70	12 70	12 30	12 07

Section II.

Weekly House Rents (a) in Metropolitan and Country Towns.

Town.	Weighted Average Weekly Rents for 4 and 5 Rooms Combined				
	1935 (b)	1936	1937.	1938.	1939
	s d	s d	s. d	s d.	s d
New South Wales—					
Sydney	19 7	20 4	21 8	22 7	23 3
Newcastle	18 6	18 5	18 8	19 4	20 0
Broken Hill	14 2	14 0	14 0	15 4	16 0
Goulburn	18 11	18 10	18 4	18 4	18 3
Bathurst	17 1	17 6	17 1	17 3	17 8
Weighted Average	**19 5**	**20 0**	**21 3**	**22 1**	**22 9**
Victoria—					
Melbourne	18 7	19 3	20 5	21 0	21 5
Ballarat	14 8	14 8	14 8	14 7	15 0
Bendigo	15 2	15 1	15 1	14 10	15 4
Geelong	17 7	18 6	18 7	19 1	19 8
Warrnambool	18 7	17 11	18 0	19 2	19 4
Weighted Average	**18 5**	**18 11**	**20 0**	**20 6**	**21 0**
Queensland—					
Brisbane	15 10	16 9	16 6	18 11	19 2
Toowoomba	16 5	17 2	17 7	17 5	17 9
Rockhampton	13 1	13 0	16 4	16 9	16 11
Townsville	11 8c	11 0c	17 8	18 0	18 1
Bundaberg	14 2d	13 4d	12 1	13 2	13 5
Weighted Average	**15 7**	**16 4**	**18 0**	**18 5**	**18 8**
South Australia—					
Adelaide	16 2	17 4	18 8	19 6	19 11
Kadina, etc.	8 8	8 2	7 9	8 1	8 2
Port Pirie	13 9	13 6	13 10	14 5	14 11
Mount Gambier	13 9	13 11	14 4	14 5	14 5
Peterborough	14 7	15 6	15 5	15 6	15 9
Weighted Average	**15 10**	**16 10**	**18 1**	**18 10**	**19 3**
Western Australia—					
Perth	17 5	18 5	19 4	19 7	19 9
Kalgoorlie	23 1	25 2	27 5	27 8	27 8
Northam	16 11	17 1	18 0	18 5	18 7
Bunbury	17 10	19 0	20 7	20 10	21 1
Geraldton	20 8	21 8	22 4	22 1	22 1
Weighted Average	**17 11**	**18 11**	**20 0**	**20 3**	**20 5**
Tasmania—					
Hobart	19 7	19 10	20 2	20 6	20 9
Launceston	17 1	17 5	18 7	18 10	19 1
Burnie	15 4	16 1	17 1	17 5	17 6
Devonport	16 2	15 7	15 2	15 10	16 0
Queenstown	16 1	16 3	16 9	16 6	16 11
Weighted Average	**18 5**	**18 7**	**19 3**	**19 6**	**19 9**
Weighted Average, Australia	**18 3**	**18 10**	**20 1**	**20 8**	**21 2**

(a) The rents are shown to the nearest penny. (b) Not strictly comparable with subsequent years
(c) Charters Towers. (d) Warwick.

SECTION III.—RETAIL PRICES.

"Court" Series Index.*—In the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration—Quarterly Retail Prices Index Numbers.—Food, Groceries, Housing (4 and 5 rooms), Clothing and Miscellaneous Household Expenditure.—"Court" Series for Quarter ended June, 1940.

(*Base : Weighted Average—Six Capitals in* 1923–27 = 81.0.)

Cities and Towns.	1939			1940.		Year ended June, 1940.
	June Quarter	September Quarter.	December Quarter.	March Quarter.	June Quarter.	
NEW SOUTH WALES—						
Sydney	75.4	75.5	76.3	76.6	78.5	76.7
Newcastle	72.7	72.6	73.7	74.0	76.2	74.1
Broken Hill	77.6	76.3	76.8	77.2	79.3	77.5
Goulburn	74.1	74.0	74.2	74.6	76.6	74.9
Bathurst	71.2	71.3	72.0	72.4	74.3	72.5
Weighted Average—5 Towns	75.2	75.3	76.1	76.3	78.4	76.5
VICTORIA—						
Melbourne	74.6	74.3	75.4	75.6	78.0	75.8
Ballarat	70.6	70.8	71.1	71.4	73.1	71.6
Bendigo	70.4	70.3	71.5	72.0	74.1	72.0
Geelong	73.6	73.6	74.2	74.1	76.0	74.5
Warrnambool	74.0	71.3	75.1	75.8	77.0	75.5
Weighted Average—5 Towns	74.2	74.1	75.1	75.3	77.6	75.5
QUEENSLAND—						
Brisbane	70.1	70.1	70.7	71.8	72.9	71.1
Toowoomba	69.2	69.0	69.8	70.7	72.0	70.4
Rockhampton	69.9	69.7	70.6	71.8	72.9	71.2
Townsville	74.1	73.8	74.6	75.1	76.7	75.1
Bundaberg	68.4	68.2	68.9	69.6	70.7	69.4
Weighted Average—5 Towns	70.2	70.2	70.9	71.9	73.0	71.5
SOUTH AUSTRALIA—						
Adelaide	73.5	73.5	73.3	73.8	75.6	74.0
Kadina, Moonta, Wallaroo	65.4	65.7	65.9	65.6	66.9	66.0
Port Pirie	72.4	72.6	72.5	72.1	74.0	72.9
Mount Gambier	70.8	70.1	71.2	70.1	71.8	70.8
Peterborough	72.4	72.5	72.9	72.9	74.3	73.2
Weighted Average—5 Towns	73.2	72.8	73.0	73.1	75.2	73.6
WESTERN AUSTRALIA—						
Perth, Fremantle	73.2	73.2	72.8	73.0	75.4	73.6
Kalgoorlie, Boulder	86.4	86.5	86.2	86.1	88.1	86.9
Northam	74.3	74.4	73.9	73.8	76.3	74.6
Bunbury	75.8	76.0	75.9	75.6	78.0	76.4
Geraldton	78.2	78.2	77.6	77.5	79.6	78.3
Weighted Average—5 Towns	74.3	74.3	74.0	74.1	76.5	74.7
TASMANIA—						
Hobart	73.4	73.3	73.4	73.3	75.9	74.5
Launceston	71.9	71.7	72.1	72.7	74.6	72.9
Burnie	71.0	71.1	72.0	72.0	73.1	72.1
Devonport	69.7	69.6	70.2	70.3	71.7	70.5
Queenstown	73.3	73.0	73.8	74.0	75.2	73.9
Weighted Average—5 Towns	72.6	72.5	73.5	73.6	75.2	73.7
Weighted Average—30 Towns	74.1	74.0	74.7	75.0	77.0	75.2
Weighted Average—6 Capitals	74.2	74.1	75.0	75.3	77.2	75.4

SPECIAL TOWNS NOT INCLUDED IN ABOVE WEIGHTED AVERAGES.

Charters Towers (Q.)	70.5	71.7	72.5	73.2	74.4	72.9
Warwick (Q.)	67.2	67.5	68.2	68.4	69.9	68.5
Port Augusta (S.)	71.2	71.3	71.6	71.5	73.2	71.9

* See page 36 for explanation

Section IV.

Minimum Rates of Wage for Adult Male Workers in the Main Occupations in the Capital City of each State for a Full Week's Work, at 31st December, 1939.

NOTE.—These rates are quoted from the latest Awards, Determinations, or Agreements which were in force at the 31st December, 1939, except in the case of the rates for farming occupations which are the ruling or predominant rates at that date. Where two or more Award, Determination, or Agreement Rates are quoted, the reason for such is that different rates of wage have been fixed for various classes or grades of work. In certain cases of this nature the wages are shown in the form (say) 86s. 0d. to 101s. 0d., indicating that in addition to the two rates specified there are also certain intermediate rates in force. In other cases the rates are shown in the form 91s. 0d. and 98s. 0d., indicating that there are only two minimum or standard rates in force for different classes or grades of work, and that there are no intermediate minimum or standard rates. Except where otherwise specified by a numerical prefix in small type, the hours of labour constituting a full week's work are 44, *see* footnotes below.

GROUP I.—WOOD, FURNITURE, SAWMILLS AND TIMBER YARDS.

Industry & Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Coopering—						
Coopers	115 0	120 0	116 6	115 0	111 2	110 0
Furniture—						
Cabinetmakers	108 0	105 0	116 11	101 0	106 2	101 0
Carpet Planners	108 0	105 0		101 0	98 11	101 0
Chairmakers	108 0	105 0	116 11	101 0	106 2	101 0
French Polishers	108 0	105 0	116 11	101 0	103 2	101 0
Upholsterers	108 0	103 0	116 11	99 0	106 2	99 0
Woodcarvers	108 0	105 0	116 11	101 0	106 2	101 0
Wood Machinists	108 0	90/ to 105/	116 11	86/ to 101/	103/2 & 106/2	86/ & 101/
Mattress Making—Wire—						
Finishers	103 0	96 0	110 6	92 0		92 0
Makers	103 0	96 0	110 6	92 0	103 2	92 0
Picture Framing—						
Compo. Workers	102 0	90 0	103 0	86 0	97 2	
General Hands	102 0	90 0	103 0	86 0	97 2	77 0
Gilders	102 0	93 0	103 0	89 0	97 2	
Mount Cutters	102 0	93 0	103 0	89 0	97 2	
Saw Milling and Timber Yards—						
Box and Casemakers	95 0	93 0	92 11	90 0	89 8	90 0
Labourers	82 0	80 0	92 0	77 0	84 2	77 0
Machinists—						
Box Printing	88 0	86 0	92 11	83 0	85 2	83 0
Moulds Carver	107 0	104 0	98 6	101 0	102 8	101 0
Nailing	89 0	87 0	93 0	84 0	90 8	84 0
Planing	92/ & 101/	90/ to 99/	93 10	87/ to 96/	96/8 & 102/8	87/ to 96/
Shaping	106 0	104 0	111 4	101 0	106 8	101 0
Ordermen	95 0	93 0	94 10	90 0	96 2	90 0
Saw Doctors	114 0	113 0	107 8	110 0	112 2	110 0
Sawyers—						
Band or Jig	96/ to 109/	91/ to 107/	101 2	91/ to 101/	93/8 & 99/8	91/ to 101/
Circular	96/ to 103/	91/ to 101/	98 6	91/ & 98/	91/8 & 99/8	91/ to 98/
Stackers	89 0	87 0	107 8	84 0	87 2	84 0
Wood Turners	106 0	101 0	101 3	101 0	105 2	101 0

GROUP II.—ENGINEERING, METAL WORKS, ETC.

Industry & Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Agricultural Implements						
Assemblers	100 0	88/ to 98/	93 0	85/ to 95/	89/8 & 93/2	.
Bulldozermen	113 0	92 0		89 0		..
Drillers	96/ & 102/	86 0	..	83 0	.	
Fitters	100/ & 112/	93/ to 98/		90/ to 95/	97/2 & 100/2	
Labourers—unskilled	82 0	80 0		77 0	82 2	
Machinists—Iron	102/ & 112/	95/ to 110/	.	83/ to 107/	91/2 & 106/2	
Painters—Brush	90 0	86 0	.	83 0		
Scroll	90 0	95 0		92 0	.	
Patternmakers	121 0	119 0		116 0	115 2	
Sheet Iron Workers	87/ to 92/	100/ & 108/		97/ to 105/		.
Strikers	91/ & 93/	89/ & 91/		86/ & 88/	92 2	..

Various numbers of hours constituting a full week's work.

(1) 35 hours (2) 36 hours. (3) 40 hours. (4) 42 hours (5) 43 hours (6) 48 hours. (7) 45 hours. (8) 46 hours. (10) 46½ hours—Daylight, 48 hours, artificial light, 45 hours. (11) 47 hours. (12) 47½ hours. (13) 60 hours (14) 86 hours per fortnight. (15) 96 hours per fortnight. (16) 48 hours, summer, 46 hours, winter (17) 88 hours per fortnight (18) 50 hours (19) 52 hours.

SECTION IV.—*continued.*

GROUP II.—ENGINEERING, METAL WORKS, ETC.—*continued.*

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Boiler Making—						
Journeymen ..	112 0	110 0	113 8	107 0	112 2	107 0
Railwaymen ..	112 0	110 0	109 11	107 0	112 2	107 0
Brassworking—						
Coremakers ..	91/ to 112/	89/ to 110/	113 8	86/ to 107/	112 2	86/ to 107/
Dressers ..	93/ & 95/	91/ to 93/	90 4	88/ & 93/	95 2	88/ to 90/
Finishers ..	100/ to 109/	98/ to 108/	113 8	95/ to 105/	112 2	95/ to 105/
Furnacemen ..	97 0	95 0	90/4 to 99/8	92 0	97 2	92 0
Moulders ..	91/ to 112/	89/ to 110/	106/& 113/8	86/ to 107/	112 2	86/ to 107/
Cycles—						
Assemblers ..	90 0	96 0	101/4 & 113 8	89 0	92 2	89 0
Frame Builders ..	91 8	96/ & 98/3	113 8	98 0		89 0
Repairers ..	91 8	96/ & 98/3	113 8	98 0		89 0
Turners (Motor) ..	109 0	107 0	120 4	..	112 2	104 0
Electrical Installation—						
Cable Jointers ..	118 0	107/ & 109/	114 1	104/ & 106/		104/ & 106/
Fitters ..	118 0	110 0	116 10	107 0	112 2	107 0
Mechanics ..		107 0	114 1	101 0	112 2	104 0
Patrolmen ..	112 0	91/6 & 103/	91 9	87/ & 97/		87/ & 97/
Wiremen ..		103 0	114 1	100 0	105 2	100 0
Other Adults ..		89 0	89 0	97 0	82 2	77 0
Electrical Supply—						
Armature Winders ..	118 0	110 0	116 10	107 0	112 2	107 0
Cable Jointers ..	118 0	107/ & 109/	114 1	104/ & 106/		104/ & 106/
Instrument Makers ..	118 0	110 0	116 10	107 0	112 2	107 0
Linesmen ..	112 0	103 0	114 1	100 0	105 2	100 0
Meter Testers ..	112 0	98/ & 102/	114 1	95/ & 99/		95/ & 99/
Patrolmen—Night ..		99/ & 100/	99 10	87/ & 97/		87/ & 99/
Shift Electricians ..	118 0	104/ & 110/	130 10			104/ & 107/
Switchboard Attendants		101 6	89 0	98 6		98 6
Other Adults ..	97 0	89 0	89 0	77 0		77 0
Electrical Trades—						
Fitters ..	118 0	110 0	116 10	107 0	112 2	107 0
Mechanics ..	112 0	107 0	114 1	104 0	112 2	104 0
Wiremen ..	112 0	107 0	114 1	104 0	105 2	104 0
Electroplating—						
Platers ..	100/6 & 108/6	98/ to 110/	103 0	85/ to 107/	106 2	85/ to 107/
Polishers ..	98/6 & 102/6	101 6	97/6 & 103/	88 0	94 2	..
Engineering—						
Blacksmiths ..	113 0	111 0	117 4	108 0	112 2	108 0
Borers and Slotters ..	112 0	110 0	113 8	107 0	112 2	107 0
Brassfinishers ..	112 0	110 0	113 8	107 0	112 2	107 0
Coppersmiths ..	112 0	110 0	117 4	107 0	112 2	107 0
Drillers—Radial ..	92/ to 102/	90/ & 107/	97 8	87/ to 101/	109 2	87/ to 101/
Fitters ..	112 0	110 0	113 8	107 0	112 2	107 0
Millers ..	109 0	107 0	113 8	104 0	112 2	104 0
Patternmakers ..	121 0	119 0	119 0	116 0	121 2	116 0
Planers—						
Rail and Plate, Edge	100 0	98 0	95 0	95 0	93 2	95 0
Other ..	109 0	107 0	113 8	104 0	112 2	104 0
Shapers ..	109 0	107 0	113 8	104 0	112 2	104 0
Turners ..	109 0	107 0	110 8	104 0	112 2	104 0
Ironworking—Assistants—						
Boilermakers' Helpers	91 0	89 0	90 4	86 0	91 2	86 0
.. Labourers	91 0	89 0	90 4	86 0	82 2	86 0
Engineers' Labourers	91 0	89 0	88 8	86 0	91 2	86 0
Furnacemen's Assists.	91 0	89 0	88 8	86 0	91 2	86 0
Moulders' Labourers..	91 0	89 0	88 8	86 0	91 2	86 0
Strikers ..	91/ & 93/	89/ & 91/	90 4	86/ & 88/	82 2	86/ & 88/

SECTION IV.—*continued.*

GROUP II.—ENGINEERING, METAL WORKS, ETC.—*continued.*

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Moulding—Iron—						
Coremakers—Machine	91/ to 102/	89/ to 100/	113 8	86/ to 97/	97 2	86/ to 97/
" Other ..	112 0	110 0	113 8	107 0	112 2	107 0
Dressers and Fettlers	83/ & 95/	91/ & 93/	90 4	88/ & 90/	93 2	88/ & 90/
Furnaceman ..	97/ to 110/	95/ & 107/	90/4 to 99/8	92/ & 104/	97/2 & 112/2	92/ & 104/
Moulders—Machine .	91/ to 102/	89/ & 100/	106 0	86/ & 97/	97 2	86/ & 97/
" Other ..	112 0	100 0	113 8	107 0	112 2	107 0
Sheet Metal Working—						
Canister Makers .	88 6	88/ & 92/	99 4	82/ to 90/	94 2	99/ & 102/8
Japanners—						
Coating or Brush-work	97 0	88 0	101 2	85 6	.	.
Ornamental	99 0	100 0	101 2	97 6		..
Solderers ..	88/6 & 92/6	88/ & 92/	101 2	84 0	90 2	..
Tinsmiths . .	102 6	100/ & 108/	101 2	94/6 & 101/6	102/2 & 110/2	99/ & 102/6
Nailmaking—						
Case Wirers ..	88 0	81 0		*78 0	..	
Labourers .	88 0	81 0		*76 0		
Setters Up	107 0	93 0		*78 to 92/6		
Wire Working—						
Journeymen ..	102 0	96 0	.	*93 0	91 2	

GROUP III.—FOOD, DRINK, TOBACCO, ETC.

Industry and Occupation	Sydney.	Melbourne	Brisbane.	Adelaide	Perth.	Hobart.
	s d	s d	s d.	s d	s d	s d
Aerated Water and Cordials—						
Bottlers .	84/6 & 87/	82/6 & 85/	84 0	*63 6	87 2	100 6
Drivers (Motor) .	91/ to 98/	85/ to 92/	93/ & 101/	*81/ to 92/	94 2	86/ to 93/
" (One Horse) .	86 0	80 0	91 0	*81 0	94 2	81 0
Packers	88 0	82 6	84 0	*80 6	87 2	93 6
Wirers	88 0	82 6		*80 6	87 2	93 6
Baking (Bread)—						
Board Hands .	119 0	113 8	102/ to 107/	*100 0	116 2	109 0
Carters (One Horse)	105 6	99 0	93 0	88 0	92 8	80 0
Doughmen .	119/ to 121/6	113 8	109 6	*100 0	121 2	109 0
Ovenmen .. .	127 0	113 8	107 0	*100 0	116 2	109 0
Singlehands	125 0	122 10	109 6	*105 0	121 2	109 0
Baking (Biscuits and Cakes)—						
Adult Males	86 0	83 0	84 0	*78 0	*90 2	83 0
Bakers	103 0	92 0	91 6	*83 0	*92 2	93 0
Mixers .	94 0	92 0	91 6	*81 0	*92 2	98 0
Brewing—						
Adult Males	100 0	102 0	95 0	*97 6	105 0	*93 6
Bottlers and Washers	100 0	102 0	95 0	*97 6	105 0	*93 6
Cellarmen	100/ & 103/	105 3	100 0	*97 6	105 0	*93 6
Drivers (Two Horses)	103 0	89 0	97 0	99 6	105 0	86 0
" (Motor under 3 tons) .	100 0	93 0	97/ to 105/	102 6	105 0	90 0
Towermen .	103 0	106 0	95 0	*100 6	105 0	
Butchering (Carcass)—						
Chilling Room Hands	98 0		101 6	*121 6	88 2	
Labourers (Beef)	102 0	87 6	89 0	*101 6	92 2	*85 6
" (Mutton)	93 6	87 6	89 0	*101 6	92 2	
Scalders	114 0	96 0	101 6	*115 6	92 2	
Slaughtermen (Beef)..	141 6	110 0	111 6	*136 6	109 8	*108 0
" (Mutton)	(a)	110 0	111 6	*136 6	109 8	*108 0

(a) Piecework rates.

SECTION IV.—*continued.*

GROUP III.—FOOD, DRINK, TOBACCO, ETC.—*continued.*

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Butchering (Retail)—						
Carters (Cash Cutting)	109 0	98 6	101 6	93 6	[5]102 2	[11]92 6
" " "	91 6	98 6	92 6	84 0	[5]87 2	..
General Hands ..	102 6	98 6	101 6	[4]92 6	[5]102 2	[11]92 6
Shopmen	101/6 & 109/	98 6	101 6	[4]92 6	[4]102/2 & 107/2	[11]92 6
Smallgoodsmen ..	96/6 & 104/	96 0	101 6	[4]92 6	[4]102 2	[11]100 0
Cold Storage and Ice—						
Chamber Hands ..	99/6 to 105/6	104 5	129 9	..	..	82 3
Pullers and Stackers..	93/ to 102/6	104 5	125 3	..		82 3
Confectionery—						
Journeymen ..	106 0	94 6	91 6	[4]83/ & 88/6	.	[4]84 6
Storemen	84 0	84/6 & 88/6	88 0	[4]78 0	.	[4]87 3
Ham and Bacon Curing—						
Curers—First Hand ..	118 0	106 0	113 0	[5]103 0	[5]110 2	[11]100 0
Cutters Up—First Hand	104 0	98 6	101 0	[4]95 6	[4]110 2	[11]92 6
Ham Baggers ..		91 6	94 9	[4]88 6	[4]95 8	[11]92 6
Lardmen	90 6	91/6 & 98/6	103 6	[4]88 6	[4]100 8	[11]92 6
Rollers and Trimmers	95 6	98 6	94 9	[4]95 6	[4]95/8 & 100/8	[11]92 6
Scalders	90 6	98 6	103 6	[4]95 6	[5]103 2	[11]92 6
Slaughtermen ..	104 6	106 0	113 0	[5]103 0	[4]110 2	[11]108 0
Smallgoodsmen— First Hand ..	110 6	106 0	113 0	[5]101 0	[5]110 2	[11]100 0
Smokers—First Hand	96 6	98 6	107 0	[5]94 0	[4]95 8	[11]92 6
Jam Making and Preserving—						
Adult Males ..	84 0	84 0	84 0	84 0	[5]90 2	84 0
Solderers	91 0	91 0	101 2	91 0	[4]90 2	91 0
Malting—						
Maltsters . ..	101/ & 106/	95 0	84 0	97 6	[4]97 2	[4]84 0
Milling—Condiments—						
Grinders	96 6	83 0	85 6	81 0		
Mixers or Blenders ..	89 6	85 0	85 6	82 0		
Stone Dressers ..	120 6	90 6	85 6	88 6		
Milling—Flour—						
Millers—Head ..	111 0	111 0	112 6	111 0	111 0	117 0
" Shift ..	98/ to 108/6	98/ to 108/6	1[illegible]/ to 112/	98/ to 108/6	98/ to 108/6	[4]94/6 & 102/
Packermen	86 0	86 0	92 6	86 0	86 0	[4]85 6
Purifiermen ..	89 0	89 0	92 6	89 0	89 0	[4]81 0
Silkamen ..	89 0	89 0	92 6	89 0	89 0	[4]81 0
Storemen—Head ..	91/ & 96/	91/ & 96/	97 6	91/ & 96/	91/ & 96/	[4]90 0
Topmen	89 0	89 0	92 6	89 0	89 0	[4]85 6
Truckers and Others..	81/ & 86/	81/ & 85/	.	81/ & 85/	81/ & 85/	[4]81 0
Milling—Oatmeal—						
Kilnmen . ..	92 0	83 6	85 6	80 6		..
Millers—Head ..	102 6	90 6	93/6 to 101/6	87 6		
Pastrycooking—						
Carters	94 2	84 0	91 0	82 0	[4]91 8	81 0
Pastrycooks ..	108 6	104 0	112 0	[4]96 6	[4]102/2 & 100/8	[4]102 0

GROUP IV.—CLOTHING, HATS, BOOTS, ETC.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Bootmaking—						
Bootmakers ..	105 0	105 0	105 0	105 0	95 0	105 0
Tailoring—Order—						
Cutters . ..	110 0	110 0	110 0	110 0	112/2 & 122/2	110 0
Pressers ..	100 0	100 0	100 0	100 0	101 2	100 0
Tailors	100 0	100 0	100 0	100 0	101 2	100 0
Trimmers	100 0	100 0	100 0	100 0	101 2	100 0

SECTION IV.—*continued.*

GROUP IV.—CLOTHING, HATS, BOOTS, ETC.—*continued.*

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide	Perth.	Hobart.
	s. d	s. d.	s d.	s. d	s d	s. d
Tailoring—Ready-made—						
Cutters	103 0	103 0	103 0	103 0	99 2	103 0
Folders	83 6	83 6	83 6	83 6		83 6
Machinists ..	100 0	100 0	100 0	100 0		100 0
Pressers	100 0	100 0	100 0	100 0	99 2	100 0
Tailors	100 0	100 0	100 0	100 0	99 2	100 0
Trimmers	100 0	100 0	100 0	100 0	99 2	100 0
Textile-Working—Woollen Mills—						
Carders	84 0	83 0	84 0	83 0	83 0	83 0
Dyehousemen ..	86 0	83 0	84 0	83 0	83 0	83 0
Labourers—General ..	85 0	83 0	84 0	83 0	83 0	83 0
Pattern Weavers ..	85 0	86 0		86 0	86 0	86 0
Scouters	85 6	83 0	84 0	83 0	83 0	83 0
Spinners	86 0	83 0	95 0	83 0	83 0	83 0
Tuners	89/ to 100/6	84/ to 100/	84/ & 95/	84/ to 100/	84/ to 100/	84/ to 100/

GROUP V.—BOOKS, PRINTING, BINDING, ETC.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	s. d	s. d.	s. d.	s d	s d	s d.
Bookbinding—						
Bookbinders ..	109 0	107 0	103 0	104 0	104 0	104 0
Finishers ..	109 0	107 0	103 0	104 0	104 0	104 0
Marblers	109 0	107 0	103 0	104 0	104 0	104 0
Paper Rulers ..	109 0	107 0	103 0	104 0	104 0	104 0
Engraving (Process)—(b)						
Engravers ..	114 6	111/ & 116/		*97 0		
Etchers—Half-tone ..	120 6	111/ & 116/	114 0	*109 6	112 2	
Etchers—Line ..	114 6	111/ & 116/	106 0	*105/6 & 110/6	104 0	
Operators ..	120 6	111/ & 116/	114 0	*109 6	112 2	
Printers	114 6	111/ & 116/	104 0	*90 6	107 0	
Routers	109 6	109 0	101 0	*90 6	96 11	
Lithographing—						
Printers	109 0	107 0	103 0	104 0		104 0
Rotary Machinists ..	109 0	107 0	103 0	104 0	107 0	104 0
Stone Polishers	90 0	88 0	84 0	85 0		85 0
Printing (Daily Newspapers)—						
Compositors—						
Day Work ..	131 0	113 11	118 10	113 0	143 8	107 0
Night Work ..	*111 0	*131 4	126 2	*122 0	*156 5	117 0
Linotype Attendants—						
Day Work ..	131 6	115 0	105 0	89 0	136 11	88 6
Night Work ..	*141 6	*125 0	110 0	*98 0	*143 8	97 6
Linotype Operators—						
Day Work ..	157/6 & 167/6	(a)	130 6	(a)	153 0	(a)
Night Work ..	*167/6 & 177/6	(a)	137 10	(a)	*165 9	(a)
Machinists (First Hand)—						
Day Work ..	131 0	121 3	127 6	113 0	135 2	106 0
Night Work ..	*141 0	*131 3	132 6	*122 0	*147 11	117 0
Publishers ..	111/6 & 121/6	99/6 & 109/6	94/ to 110/	92/ to 100/	*119/10 & 122/7	86/ & 94/
Readers—						
Day Work ..	139 6	113 11	115 0	116 0	143 8	110 0
Night Work ..	*139 6	*131 4	120 0	*125 0	*156 5	119 0
Readers' Assistants—						
Day Work ..	108 6	89 3	100 0	89 0	115 7	83 0
Night Work ..	*118 6	*98 3	105 0	*98 0	*127 6	92 0
Stereotypers (First Class)—						
Day Work ..	*131 0	115 0	107/6 & 115/	101 0	*128 10	95 0
Night Work ..	*131 0	*125 0	112/6 & 120/	*110 0	*141 6	101 0

(a) Piece-work rates. (b) Other than in newspaper offices.

SECTION IV.—*continued.*

GROUP V.—BOOKS, PRINTING, BINDING, ETC.—*continued.*

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Printing (Job Offices)—						
Compositors ..	109 & 118/	107/ & 116/	103/ & 112/	104/ & 113/	104 & 113/	104/ & 113/
Electrotypers ..	100 0	107 0	103 0	104 0	104 0	104 0
General Hands ..	82 0	80 0	76 0	77 0	77 0	77 0
Linotype Operators ..	118 0	116 0	112 0	113 0	113 0	113 0
Machinists	109 0	107 0	103 0	104 0	104 0	104 0
Monotype Operators	118 0	116 0	112 0	113 0	113 0	113 0
Monotype Casting Machinists ..	109 0	107 0	103 0	104 0	104 0	104 0
Readers	112 0	110 0	106 0	107 0	107 0	107 0
Stereotypers ..	109 0	107 0	103 0	104 0	104 0	104 0

GROUP VI.—OTHER MANUFACTURING

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Brickmaking—						
Burners	112 0	91 0	92/ to 98/	*83 6	89/8 & 103/2	91 9
Carters—Two horses ..	100 6	89 0	96 0	81 0	96 8	86 0
Drawers	112 0	93/ & 95/6	86 6	*91 6	(a)	91 9
Labourers . ..	105 5	81 0	84 8	*80 6	89 8	89 0
Machinemen ..	102 9	90 0	86 6	*83/ & 88/6	89/8 & 92/8	89 0
Panmen	97/ & 112/	88/ & 92/	84 8	*86 6	99 8	89 0
Pitmen ..	109 3	96/ & 101/		*85 6	89 8	89 0
Setters	112 0	93/ & 95/6	86 6	*91 6	97 8	91 6
Wheelers	106 6	87 6	84/8 & 86/6	*80 6	92 8	89 0
Brushmaking—						
Base Broom Drawers	104 6	95 0	101 6	*93 0	..	.
Finishers	104 6	95 0	101 6	*93 0	..	
Machinists—Boring ..	104 6	95 0	101 6	*93 0	..	.
Paint Brush Makers ..	109 6	100 0	101 6	*97 0	..	.
Candle Making—						
Acidifiers	88 6	86 0	88 0	83 0	..	.
General Hands ..	85 0	80 0	84 0	77 0	82 2	
Glycerine Distillers ..	92 6	86 0	84 0	83 0	92 2	.
Moulders	92 0	86 0	85 0	83 0	91 2	
Stillmen	95 0	86 0	88 0	83 0	..	.
Cardboard Box Makers—						
Guillotine and other Cutters . ..	92/ to 98/	90/ to 96/	86/ to 92/	87/ to 93/	87/ to 93/	87/ to 93/
Other Adults ..	82 0	80 0	76 0	77 0	77 0	77 0
Coachmaking (Road)—						
Bodymakers ..	109/ & 112/	107/ & 110/	108 0	101/ & 107/	106 2	101/ & 107/
Labourers	82 0	80 0	87 0	77 0	82 2	77 0
Painters	109 0	107 0	108 0	104 0	106 2	104 0
Smiths	113 0	111 0	108 0	108 0	106 2	108 0
Trimmers	109 0	107 0	108 0	104 0	106 2	104 0
Wheelmaking Machinists	106 0	104 0	108 0	101 0	106 2	101 0
Wheelwrights ..	106 0	104 0	108 0	101 0	106 2	101 0
Fellmongering—						
Bate Hands ..	86 0	85 0	88 6	77 6	..	
Green Hands ..	86 0	85 0	85 6	77 6	..	
Limepit Men ..	86 0	85 0	88/6 & 91/6	77 6	.	
Machinists	89 0	88 0	85/6 to 91/6	77 6	..	
Soakhole Men ..	89 0	88 0	91 6	77 6	..	.
Wool Sorters ..	99 0	98 0	91 6	77 6		

(a) Piece-work rates.

SECTION IV.—*continued.*

GROUP VI.—OTHER MANUFACTURING—*continued.*

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth	Hobart.
	s d	s d	s d	s d	s d	s d
Gas Making and Supply—						
Coke Trimmers	98 6	89 0	84 0	.	85 2	
Gas Fitters ..	125 0	122 0	119 6	120 0	119 0	94 0
Labourers	87 0	80 0	84 0	80 0	85 2	77 0
Mainlayers ..	101 9	122 0	95 0	107/ & 109/	97 2	94 0
Metermakers ..	107 0	109 0		110/ to 115/	106 2	94 0
Meter Testers ..	101 9	97 9		98 0		
Service Layers ..	101 9	122 0	95 0	110 0	97 2	94 0
Stokers	105 0	94/ to 101/	109/ & 111/	91/ & 98/	91 2	95 0
Glassfounding—						
Furnacemen ..	91 0	92 0	90 0	86 6	99 0	
Labourers ..	[8]85 0	83 0	84 0	77 6	90 0	
Lehrmen	[12]88 6	[12]86 6	[12]87 6	81 0	90 0	.
Sorters	[8]87 6	85 6	86 6	80 0	97 6	
Glass Working and Glazing						
Bevellers	109 10	103 0	107 0	99 0	103 2	98 0
Cutters and Glaziers	108 0	103 0	111 0	99 0		..
Lead Light Glaziers ..	108 0	103 0		99 0	106 2	
Silverers . .	109 10	103 0	107 0	99 0	103 2	
Jewellery, Clock and Watchmaking—						
Chainmakers ..	102/ & 124/6	98 0	96 0	[10]91 0	106 2	.
Engravers	104 6	103 0	96/ & 99/	[10]93 0	106 2	
Mounters . ..	102 0	98 0	96/ & 99/	[10]99 0	106 2	
Setters ..	104 6	98 0	99 6	[10]99 0	106 2	
Watch and Clockmakers and Repairers	108 0	[10]90/ to 100/	101 6	[10]99 0	107 2	..
Masonry—Marble and Stone—						
Carvers	[3]156 2	141 0	128 8	140 4	117 8	..
Machinists—						
Carborundum ..	[3]129 6	99 0	128 8	97/ to 105/	117 8	..
Other	107 2	99 0	128 8	105 0	117 8	..
Masons	[3]129 6	112 0	128 8	111 8	117 8	107 0
Paper Bag Making—						
Guillotine Cutters .	94 0	92 0	88 0	89 0	89 0	89 0
Machinists .	98 0	96 0	92 0	93 0	93 0	93 0
Paper Making—						
Beatermen	107/ & 109/	90 0			..	..
Breakermen ..	85 0	73 0			..	..
Guillotine Men ..	86 0	72 0			..	..
Machinists .	100/ & 112/	93 0	.	.		..
Ragbollermen ..	91 0	72 0	..	..		..
Other Adults .	85 0	69 0		.	..	..
Potteries—General—						
Burners—Head ..	97 0	90 0	92 0	. .		84 0
Hollow-ware Pressers	102 0	85 0	84 8		..	84 0
Sanitary Pressers ..	108 0	86 0	84 8			84 0
Throwers—1st Class ..	108 0	92 0	103 0		.	87 0
Potteries—Pipemaking—						
Burners—Head ..	102 0	90 0	98 0	[8]91 6	96 2	84 0
Drawers	97 6	84 0	84 8	[8]91 6	82 2	
Moulders	102 6	86 0	84 8		96 2	78/ & 81/
Mould Makers ..	97 6	92 0	86 6	[8]91 6	91 3	..
Setters	99 6	88 0	84 8		88/3 & 95/7	82 6
Quarrying—						
Borers—						
Hand or Machine ..	101 10	98 0	93 6	[8]91 6	90 11	84 4
Dressers	110 8	105 0	87 2	[8]85 6		81 7
Facemen	103 8	101 0	93 2	[8]85 6		76 0
Hammermen ..	99/6 & 102/	105 0	93 2	[8]85/6 & 88/6	90 11	81 7
Machine Feeders ..	105 6	98 0	88/7 & 92/8	[8]85 6	96 8	78 10
Quarrymen ..	110 8		96 10	[8]85 6	90 11	93 6

SECTION IV.—*continued.*

GROUP VI.—OTHER MANUFACTURING—*continued.*

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	s d	s d	s d	s d	s. d.	s d
Rubber Working—						
Calendar Hands ..	104/ & 109/	102/ & 107/	100/ & 104/	..	.	..
Cycle Tyre Makers ..	86 0	84 0	.	.	.	..
Dough Mixers ..	86 0	84 0	101 6	.	.	
Hosemakers ..	88/ & 95/	86/ & 93/	96 6	.		
Mechanical Lathe Hands ..	88/ & 92/6	86/ & 96/6	96 6	.	.	.
Mill Hands ..	82/ & 95/	80/ & 93/	84 0		.	.
Spreaders	89/ & 95/	87/ & 93/	101 6			.
Surgical Packing, and other Makers ..	88/ & 97/	86/ & 95/	91/6 & 96/6	.	.	
Tyre Moulders ..	92 6	90 6	91 6	[a]89 9		.
Saddlery and Harness-making—						
Harness makers ..	102 0	102 0	102 0	[a]99 0	[a]101 5	102 0
Saddlers	102 0	102 0	102 0	[a]99 0	[a]101 5	102 0
Sail Making—						
Sailmakers .. .	102 0	102 0	102 0	[a]86 0	..	102 0
Ship Building—						
Carpenters and Joiners	118 1	118 4	118 4	118 4	118 1	118 4
Dockers	114 8	114 8	114 8	114 8	114 8	114 8
Painters	114 8	114 8	114 8	114 8	114 8	114 8
Shipwrights ..	[a]134 10	[a]134 10	[a]134 10	[a]134 10	[a]134 10	[a]134 10
Soap Making—						
General Hands ..	85 0	80 0	84 0	77 0	[a]81 1	[a]77 0
Mixers	85 0	86 0	84 0	83 0	[a]88 1	
Soap Makers ..	107 0	90 6	84 0	87 6	[a]86 1	[a]102 0
Tanning and Currying—						
Beamemen	92 0	92 0	92 0	92 0	92 0	92 0
Curriers	99 0	99 0	99 0	99 0	99 0	99 0
Japanners or Enamellers	89 6	89 6	89 6	89 6	89 6	89 6
Limemen and Yardmen	81 0	81 0	81 0	81 0	81 0	81 0
Machinists—						
Fleshing	92 0	92 0	92 0	92 0	92 0	92 0
Scouring	83 0	83 0	83 0	83 0	83 0	83 0
Splitting	97 0	97 0	97 0	97 0	97 0	97 0
Unhairing ..	86 6	86 6	86 6	86 6	86 6	86 6
Rollers and Strikers ..	88 6	88 6	88 6	88 6	88 6	88 6
Tablemen	86 6	86 6	86 6	86 6	86 6	86 6
Tent and Tarpaulin Making—						
Cutters	96/ & 102/	96/ & 102/	96/ & 102/			96/ & 102/
Machinists .. .	96/ & 102/	96/ & 102/	96/ & 102/	..	.	96/ & 102/
Sewers—Hand ..	96/ & 102/	96/ & 102/	96/ & 102/			96/ & 102/
Tent Makers ..	96/ & 102/	96/ & 102/	96/ & 102/	.	[a]87 2	96/ & 102/

GROUP VII.—BUILDING.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide	Perth.	Hobart.
	s d	s d.	s d	s d	s d.	s d
Building—						
Bricklayers—						
Surface	126 6	124 8	[a]109 7	113 0	117 2	112 6
Sewer and Tunnel..	132 0	132 3	[a]109 7	113 0	117 2	112/ & 118/6
Carpenters	126 6	112 6	[a]109 7	113 8	116 2	112 6
Labouring (Builders)..	88 0	86 0	[a]92 11	83 0	95 1	83 0
Lathers	126 6	104 6	[a]109 7			83 0
Metal Ceilers ..	116 6	.	[a]109 7		107 8	112 6
Masons	[a]129 6	112 0	[a]117 6	114 8	117 8	112 6
Painters, Paperhangers	115 4	112 9	[a]109 7	105 8	116 2	112 6
Signwriters ..	122 4	112 9	[a]109 7	105 8	116 .	112 6

(a) Mainly piece-work

SECTION IV.—*continued.*

GROUP VII.—BUILDING—*continued.*

Industry and Occupation	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth	Hobart
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Building—*continued*—						
Plasterers—						
Surface ..	126 6	121 0	[3]109 7	113 0	118 0	112 6
Sewer or Tunnel ..	132 0	133 10	[3]115/7 & 118/7	113 0	118/ to 124/	118/6 & 124/6
Plumbers, Gasfitters ..	127 4	122 0	[3]109 7	113 8	118 1	100/ & 122/
Slaters	126 4	121 0	[3]109 7	..	..	.
Tilers	126 4	121 0	[3]109 7	113 0	103 5	..
Tuckpointers ..	126 6	110 0	[3]109 7	113 0	.	..
Water Supply and Sewerage—						
Concrete Workers ..	87/10 to 103/5	105 2	[3]95/ to 104/2	79/6 & 84/	88 2	..
Labourers	85/ to 96/1	82 8	[3]86 0	78 0	82 2	
Miners—Sewer ..	110/7 to 130/	92/8 & 98 2	[3]111 6	81/ & 87/	91 2	.
Pipe-jointers and Setters	96/1 to 101/	94 8	[3]89/6 & 94/4	84/ & 85/6	91/2 & 100/2	..

GROUP VIII.—MINING.

Industry and Occupation.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Queensland.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Coal Mining—						
Blacksmiths ..	127 6	112 4	121/6 to 133 6	(b)	[5]112 2	127 6
Bracemen	[3]118 6	[3]95 10	[3]100 8	..	..	..
Carpenters	116/ to 131/6	112 4	117/6 & 133/6	.	..	115 6
Deputies	[3]148/ to 151/	[3]117 10	[3]116 3	.	.	[3]128 0
Engine Drivers—						
Winding and Loco	125/ to 144/	121 0	121/6 to 125/	..	[4]118/8 to 125/6	.
Other	115/ to 130/	118 3	116/ to 144/	..	..	.
Labourers—						
Surface	110 6	82 0	104/ to 124/	..	[4]88 9	105 6
Underground ..	[3]110 6		[3]90 to 105/5	..	[3]94 8	[3]110 0
Miners—						
Machine	(a)	(a)	[3]105/10 to 127/11	.	[3]119/ to 139/2	.
Manual—Dry Work	(a)	(a)	(a)	..	[3]119/ to 136/5	..
Platmen or Banksmen	[3]110/ to 117/6	[3]109 1	[3]112 9	..	[3]101 7	[3]110 0
Shiftmen—						
Dry Work ..	[3]110/6 to 136/	[3]109 1	[3]102/1 to 107/	..	[4]123 7	[3]125 6
Wet Work ..	[3]110/6 to 136/	[3]117 4	[3]109 7	..	.	..
Shotfirers	[3]141/ to 141/	[3]122 5	[3]102/1 to 117/1	..	[3]123 7	.
Timbermen	[3]110/6 to 126/	[3]109 1	[3]102/1 to 108/9	..	[3]123 7	[3]110 0
Weighmen	[3]117 6	[3]105 5				[3]110 0
Wheelers	[3]100/ to 115/	[3]101 9	[3]92/11 & 99/2		[3]103/8 & 111/8	[3]110 0
Gold and Other Mining (except Coal)—					(d)	
Battery Feeders ..	90 0	[3]74 to 82/	94/4 to 99/10	(c)	112 6	73 0
Bracemen	92 0	78/ to 87/	99/15 to 105/4		121 6	78 0

(a) Piece-work rates. (b) Coal not mined. (c) Very little gold is produced and difficulty is experienced in obtaining reliable information. (d) Exclude District Allowances.

SECTION IV.—*continued.*

GROUP VIII.—MINING—*continued.*

Industry and Occupation.	N.S.W.	Victoria	Queensland.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.
	s. d	s d	s d	s d	s d.	s d.
Gold and Other Mining (except Coal)—*contd.*						
Engine Drivers—						
Stationary ..	97/6 to 103/6	*89 to 105/	98/ to 110/	.	126/6 to 133/6	80/ to 99/
Winding and Loco	109/ to 115/	*92 to 108/	108/ to 130/	..	129/6 to 165/6	88/ to 102/
Firemen . ..	93/ to 97/6	*83/ to 89/	93/ to 110/10	..	118/6 to 124/6	78 0
Labourers	88 0	76/ & 80/	94/4 to 99/10	..	112 6	73 0
Miners—						
Machine	99/6 to 102/6	78/ to 103/	108/ to 113/6	..	125/6 to 132/6	85/ & 94/
Manual—						
Dry Work ..	99/6 to 101/6	82/ to 99/	99/10 to 105/4	.	120/6 to 127/6	82/ to 88/
Wet Work ..	99/6 to 102/6	88/ to 105/	108/ to 114/6	.	129/6 to 136/6	88/ to 94/
Platmen	92 0	78/ & 90/	99/10 to 105/4	.	121 6	78 0
Shaft Sinkers—						
Dry Work ..	101 6	88/ to 103/	99/10 to 114/6	.	120/6 to 127/6	88 0
Wet Work ..	101 6	94/ to 106/	108/ to 114/6		129/6 to 136/6	110 0
Timbermen.. ..	101/ & 105/6	83/6 & 99/6	108/ to 111/6		127/6 & 132/6	85/ to 90/

GROUP IX.—RAILWAY AND TRAMWAY TRANSPORT.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	s d	s d	s d.	s. d	s. d.	s d
Railways—						
Engine Drivers (Loco.)—						
1st Class	127 0	127 0	122 9	124 0	128 2	123 0
2nd Class ..	121 0	121 0	117 3	118 0	120 2	116 0
3rd Class . ..	115 0	115 0	110 10	112 0	112 2	111 0
4th Class.. ..	109 0	109 0	104 5	106 0	109 2	105 0
5th Class.. ..	103 0	103 0	101 5	100 0	109 2	99 0
Firemen—						
1st Class	100 0	97 0	98 0	94 0	103 2	93 0
2nd Class ..	97 0	88/ & 91/	92 6	88 0	97 2	87 0
3rd Class.. ..	91 0	85 0	92 6	82/ & 85/	92 2	81/ & 84/
Guards—						
1st Class	95/ to 111/6	107/6 & 110/6	114 6	103/6 to 107/6	106 2	101 0
2nd Class ..	92/ to 107/6	103/ & 106/	109 0	100/ to 103/	103 2	95 0
3rd Class.. ..	86/ to 93/	88/ to 97/	98 11	82/ & 84/	100 2	87 0
Porters	83/ to 104/	79/ to 97/	85/2 & 88/10	96/ & 100/6	82 2	74 0
Shunters—						
1st Class	92/ to 128/	106/ to 112/	114 6	98/6 & 101/6	100 2	89/ to 99/
2nd Class.. ..	89/ to 122/	101/6 to 105/6	107 2	91/ & 94/	97 2	..
3rd Class.. ..	86/ to 107/	91/ to 97/	103 6	.	91 2	
Ordinary.. ..	86 0	85/ to 91/	95 3	.	91 2	86 0
Signalmen—						
Special		115 0	109/ & 117/3	98/6 to 107/0	109 2	
1st Class	116 0	106 0	107 2	95 6	100 2	86 0
2nd Class ..	110 0	100 0	102 7	92 6	94 2	83 0
3rd Class.. ..	105 0	95 6	96 2	86 6	88 2	..
4th Class.. ..	89/ to 101/	91 0	91 7	83 6	85 2	

SECTION IV.—*continued.*

GROUP IX.—RAILWAY AND TRAMWAY TRANSPORT—*continued.*

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth	Hobart.
	s. d	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Tramways (Electric and Cable)—						
Car Washers or Cleaners	82 0	88 0	91 7	*80/ & 83/		*79 0
Conductors—						
1st Year	88 0	88 0	87 0	*82/ & 84/	84 2	*77 6
2nd Year ..	91 0	91 0	87/ & 92/	*84 0	94 2	*80 6
3rd Year ..	94 0	94 0	92/ & 102/	*88/ to 93/		*83 0
Horse Drivers ..	88 0	89/ to 96/	91 0			
Labourers	82 0	82 0	84 0	*78 0	82 2	*79 0
Maintenance Men ..	85/ to 90/	91 0	91 7	*83/ & 84/	88 2	*82 0
Motormen or Gripmen—						
1st Year ..	100 0	88 0	87 0	*84 0	94 2	*79 0
2nd Year ..	106 0	91 0	87/ & 92/	*87 0	94 2	*82 6
3rd Year ..	109 0	94 0	92/ & 102/	*90/ & 91/6	94 2	*85 0
Overhead Wiremen—						
Leading	112 0	108 0	123 1	*91/ & 99/6	100 2	*96 0
Other	91/ to 118/	102 0	108 1	*84/ & 92/6	..	*91 0
Pitmen	96 0	100 0		*83/ to 90/	94 2	
Signalmen	103/6 to 109/6	97 0	98/ & 102/	*90/ & 99/6		
Track Cleaners ..	82 0	88 0	87 0	*81/ & 84/	97 2	*79 0

GROUP X.—OTHER LAND TRANSPORT.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d	s. d	s. d.
Carrying—Merchandise—						
Carriers—						
One Horse ..	93 0	84 0	91 0	81 0	*91 8	81 0
Two Horses ..	98 0	89 0	96 0	86 0	*96 8	86 0
Corporation Carters—						
One Horse ..	97 0	84 0	91 0	81 0	90 2	81 0
Two Horses ..	103 6	89 0	96 0	86 0	95 2	86 0
Jinkers—						
One Horse ..	93 0	90 0	98 0	87 0	*99 8	87 0
Two Horses ..	98 0	95 0	103 0	92 0	*104 8	92 0
Sanitary Carters ..	101/ & 106/	87/ to 97/	92 0	81/ & 94/	100 2	84/ to 91/
Stable Hands ..	92/6 & 97/6	82 0	84 0	79 0	*90 8	79 0
Motor Lorries and Wagons—						
Under 3 tons ..	95/ to 105/	89/ to 93/	93/ to 101/	86/ to 90/	*96/8 to 100/8	86/ to 90/
3 tons or over ..	109/ to 113/	96 0	101/ to 111/	93 0	*104 8	93 0
Lift Attendants—						
Goods	88 0	87 6	90/ & 92/	..	*92 6	
Passenger	88 0	87 6	84/ & 86/	..	*90 0	

SECTION IV.—*continued.*

GROUP XI.—SHIPPING, WHARF LABOUR, ETC.

Industry and Occupation.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Queensland.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d	s. d
Waterside Working—						
Wharf Labourers per hour *a*	2 10	2 10	2 10 to 3 6	2 10	2 10	2 10
Passenger Vessels—Interstate *b*—						
Bakers per month	309/ to 389/					
Barmen ,,	299/*d*					
Butchers ,,	329/ to 369/*c*					
Cooks—						
Chief ,,	439/ to 469/*c*					
Second ,,	359/*c*					
Third ,,	299/*c*					
Ships ,,	349/*c*					
Pantrymen ,,	239/ to 339/*c*					
Sculleryman ,,	279/*c*					
Stewards—						
Chief Saloon ,,	389/*d*					
Second ,,	379/*d*					
Second Saloon ,,	349/*d*					
Fore Cabin ,,	339/*d*					
Bedroom and Other ,,	289/ to 299/*d*					
All Vessels—Interstate *b h*						
A.B. Seamen per month	331/6					
Boatswains ,,	351/6					
Donkeymen ,,	391/6					
Firemen ,,	371/6					
Greasers ,,	371/6					
Lamp Trimmers ,,	351/6					
Fuel Trimmers ,,	331/6					
Marine Engineers *b e g*—	*Vessels (Steam). Under 100 N.H.P.*			*Vessels (Steam). 100 N.H.P. and over.*		
Chief per month	637/6 to 692/6			722/6 to 1102/6		
Second ,,	532/6			532/6 to 722/6		
Third ,,	477/6			477/6 to 602/6		
Fourth ,,	..			418/ to 542/6		
5th, 6th, 7th and 8th ,,	..			408/		
	Seagoing Passenger Vessels			Seagoing Cargo Vessels.		
Merchant Service *b f g*—	*125 tons or under.*	*Over 10,000 tons.*		*60 tons or under.*	*Over 10,000 tons*	
Masters per month	688/	1,762/6		560/	1,322/6	
Officers—						
Chief ,,	508/	722/6		448/	642/6	
Second ,,	448/	642/6		408/	582/6	
Third ,,	..	552/6		..	512/6	
Fourth and Fifth ,,		408/		.	408/	

a Rate of wage quoted is for other than special cargo. *b* Rates of wage quoted are in addition to victualling and accommodation. *c* Not more than 8 hours per day. *d* Not more than 10 hours per day when at sea, 9 per day when in intermediate ports, not more than 8 per day when in terminal ports. *e* Minimum rates under the Commonwealth Award are classified according to nominal horse-power of vessels. *f* Minimum rates under the Commonwealth Award are classified for interstate vessels, and for vessels within a State according to tonnage; the lowest and highest classes for interstate passenger and cargo vessels are here given. *g Marine Engineers*—Not more than 8 hours per day. *Masters and Officers*—Ordinary length of duty in a day at sea or in port or partly at sea and partly at port shall be 8 hours. *h* Not more than 8 hours per day.

GROUP XII.—AGRICULTURAL, PASTORAL, ETC.

Industry and Occupation.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Queensland.	S. Aust.	W Aust.	Tasmania.
	s. d	s d	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s d
Farming *c*—						
General Hands *a b* ..	25/ to 30/	15/ to 25/	15/ to 30/	15/ to 25/	25/ to 40/	30/ to 42/
Harvesters *a b* ..	30/ to 35/	30/ to 40/	30/ to 60/	30/ to 50/	35/ to 50/	42/ to 60/
Milkers *a b*	25/ to 35/	20/ to 25/	15/ to 20/	15/ to 25/	25/ to 40/	25/ to 30/
Ploughmen *a b* ..	27/6 to 32/6	20/ to 25/	20/ to 30/	20/ to 30/	35/ to 50/	31/ to 37/
Chaffcutting—						
Feeders (Travelling plant)	94/6 & 97/6	94 6	..	.	85/3 to 115/9	[12]90 0
Feeders (Stationary mill)	94/6 & 97/6	88 6	.	.	85/3 to 115/9	[12]90 0

For footnotes, see next page.

SECTION IV.—*continued.*

GROUP XII.—AGRICULTURAL, PASTORAL, ETC.—*continued.*

Industry and Occupation.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Queensland.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.
	s. d	s d.	s. d	s d	s d	s. d
Gardening—						
Gardeners	97 6	81/7 to 87/1	93 8	*81/ & 84/	*88 2	*80 0
Labourers	82 0	81 7	84 0	*78 0	*82 2	*77 0
Nurserymen ..	97 6	87/6 & 98/	*93 8	*84/ & 90/	*91 2	*80 0
Labourers	82 0	81 0	*84 0	*78 0	*82 2	*77 0
Pastoral Workers *d*—						
Cooks *b*	114 0	114 0	117/6 & 157/8	111 0	106 0	114 0
Shearers .. per 100	35 0	35 0	38 0	35 0	33 0	.
Shed Hands *b* ..	91 0	94 0	85 6	94 0	95 0	94 0
Wool Pressers *b* .	98 0	98 0	104 6	98 0	104 6	98 0
Rural Workers—						
Fruit Harvesters ..	79 0	79 0	84 0	59/2 to 62/4		.

a Ruling or predominant rates, see note at commencement of table. *b* Rates of wage quoted are in addition to board and lodging provided. *c* Hours in the farming industry vary considerably, and no reliable particulars can be published. *d* Shearers' and woolpressers' hours are 44 per week; shed hands' hours are the same as shearers with such additional time as may be necessary to finish picking up fleeces, &c. Should the time engaged picking up, &c., exceed 30 minutes per day, all time thereafter must be paid as overtime. The hours of cooks are not regulated.

GROUP XIII.—DOMESTIC, HOTELS, ETC.

NOTE.—The rates of wage specified for employees in Clubs, Hotels, and Restaurants represent the weekly cash payment where Board and Lodging are not provided.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	s. d.	s d.	s d.	s d	s d.	s. d
Cooks (Hotels and Restaurants)—						
Chefs	104/6 to 197/	96/6 to 126/	111/ & 116/	*103/ to 128/	*106 6	*72/5 to 127/11
Cooks—Second ..	94/ to 147/	90/6 to 108/6	101 0	*88/ to 98/	*91 1	*57/7 to 102/
Cooks—Third ..	91/ to 117/	90 6	101 0	*88 0	*84 1	*57/7 to 82/4
Kitchenmen ..	84 0	84 6	88 6	*78 0	*82 2	*64 2
Hairdressing—						
Hairdressers ..	103 0	*102 0	99 0	*99 0	*102 2	*80/ to 105/
Hotels—						
Barmen	91 6	89 0	90 0	*95 0	*106 2	*88 0
Billiard Markers ..	82 0	84 6	86 0	*78 0	*83 8	*64 0
Handymen ..	82 0	84 6	86 0	*78 0	*82 2	*52/7 & 58/8
Lift Attendants ..	82 0	86 6	86 0	*82 9	*84 8	*55/11 & 64/2
Porters—Day Work ..	82 0	84 6	86 0	*80 6	*82 2	*55 11
Porters—Night Work	84 0	84 6	86 0	*80 6	*81 4	64 2
Waiters—Head ..	91 0	90 0	86 0	*88/ & 91/		*82/4 & 95/6
Waiters—Other ..	81 0	84 6	86 0	*83 6	*83 1	*63/1 to 75/8
Restaurants—						
Pantrymen ..	82/6 & 84/6	*77 0	88 6	*80 0	*82 2	*64 2
Waiters	82/ & 87/	*77 0	88 6	*83/6 & 81/6	*82 2	*63/1 to 95/8

GROUP XIV.—MISCELLANEOUS AND GENERAL LABOUR.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	s d	s. d	s. d.	s d	s. d.	s d
Factory Engine Driving—						
Engine Drivers (Stationary)—						
1st Class ..	*95/6 to 98/6	*93/6 & 96/6	111 0	*90/6 & 93/6	*95/8 & 98/3	*89/ to 92/
2nd Class ..	*92/6 to 95/6	*90/6 & 93/6	103 0	*87/6 & 90/6	*92/8 & 95/8	*86/ to 88/
3rd Class ..	*89/6 & 91/6	*90/6 & 93/6	95 0	*87/6 & 90/6	*92/8 & 95/8	*86/ to 88/
Firemen—						
1st Class ..	*92 6	*87/6 to 90/6	93 0	84/6 to 87/6	*91 2	*83 0
2nd Class ..	*88/ to 89/6	*86/ & 87/		*83/ & 84/	*88 2	*80/ & 82/
Greasers	*86 0	*84 0	93 0	*81 0	*91 2	*80 0
Trimmers	*86 0	*84 0	89 0	*81 0	*88 2	*78 0

SECTION IV.—*continued.*

GROUP XIV.—MISCELLANEOUS AND GENERAL LABOUR—*continued.*

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Municipal—						
Labourers	95 6	82 0	86 0	78 0	82 2	79 0
Street Sweepers ..	95 6	87 0	86 0	78 0	82 2	79 0
Shop and Other Assistants						
Boot Salesmen ..	95 6	*100 0	99 0	*90 0	*98 11	*80/ to 95/
Chemists' Assistants ..	110 0	*101 6	110 6	*101/ & 112/	*98 11	100 0
Clerks	97/ & 98/6	* & * 93/	99 0	*86 6	*89/11 to 101/6	99 0
Drapery Salesmen ..	95 6	*101 0	99 0	*92 6	*98 11	*85/ to 100/
Furniture Salesmen ..	98 6	*105 0	99 0	*89 6	*98 11	107 0
Grocery Salesmen ..	97 0	*91 0	99 0	*89 0	*98 11	*92 6
Hardware Salesmen ..	89 6	*97 6	99 0	*89 6	*98 11	*102 0
Railway Bookstall Assistants ..	97 0	*84 6	99 0	*90 0	*98 11	*90 0
Tobacconists' Assts. ..	97 0	*91/6 & 101/6	99 0	*88 0	*98 11	*79 3
Storemen — Packing, Cleaning, &c.—						
Night Watchmen ..	86/ & 89/6	*92/1 & 104/10	87 0	*84 6	*101/8 & 104/3	*81 0
Office Cleaners ..	88/6 to 98/6	*86 0	84/ & 89/	*78 0	*95 3	*77 0
Packers—General ..	95/6 & 98/6	86 0	87 0	*81 0	*98 11	*81/ & 83/6
Storemen—General ..	90/ & 93/	86 0	87 0	*81 0	*98 11	*81/ to 83/6
Wholesale Grocery—						
Packers	91 6	85 0	89 0	*81 0	*98 11	*81 0
Storemen	93 0	86 6	89 0	*81 0	*98 11	*81 0
Wholesale Hardware—						
Packers	94/ & 96/	89 0	80 0	*81 0	*98 11	*52/ to 87/
Storemen	90/ to 94/	89 0	89 0	*81 0	*98 11	*52/ to 87/

Section V.

Minimum Rates of Wage for Adult Female Workers in the Main Occupations in the Capital City of Each State for a Full Week's Work at 31st December, 1939.

(See Explanatory Note at top of page 153.)

GROUP III.—FOOD, DRINK, TOBACCO, ETC.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Biscuit Making—						
Adult Females ..	46 6	42 0	45 0	36 6	46 9	40 6
Confectionery—						
Adult Females ..	47 0	47 0	45 0	38 6	40/5 to 56/4	46 0
Jam Making and Preserving—						
Fillers	52 6	52 6	50 6	52 6	44 4	52 6
Other Adults ..	46 6	46 6	50 6	46 6	44 4	46 6
Tea Packing—						
Head Women ..	44 9	54 9	46/6 to 56/		44 10	..
Other Adults ..	44 9	48 0	45 0	41 6	.	.
Tobacco Working (Cigars)—						
Ringers	45 6	48 0			43 4	
Wrapper Leaf Strippers	60 0	55 6	..	..	43 4	.

GROUP IV.—CLOTHING, HATS, BOOTS, ETC.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Bootmaking—						
Machinists — Wax Thread ..	63 6	63 6	63 6	63 6		63 6
Other Adults ..	51/6 to 56/	51/6 to 56/	51/6 to 56/	51/6 to 56/	50 3	51/6 to 56/
Dressmaking—						
Adult Females ..	45/3 to 65/9	45/3 to 65/9	45/3 to 65/9	45/3 to 65/9	49/2 & 50/10	45/3 to 65/9
Dyers and Cleaners—						
Adult Females ..	44/6 to 51/	44/6 to 51/	44/6 to 51/	44/6 to 51/	58 10	44/6 to 51/
Hat Making (Straw)—						
Finishers & Machinists	48 3	48 3	48 3	48 3	.	48 3
Millinery—						
Adult Females ..	45/3 to 48/3	45/3 to 48/3	45/3 to 48/3	45/3 to 48/3	47 7	45/3 to 48/3
Shirt Making—						
Adult Females ..	45/3 to 60/9	45/3 to 60/9	45/3 to 60/9	45/3 to 60/9	47/7 & 54/1	45/3 to 60/9
Tailoring (Order)—						
Machinists—						
Coat Hands ..	55 9	55 9	55 9	55 9	57 3	55 9
Trousers, Vest Hands	50 3	50 3	50 3	50 3	53/1 to 55/3	50 3
Tailoresses—						
Coat Hands ..	55 9	55 9	55 9	55 9	62/3 to 63/4	55 9
Trousers, Vest Hands	50 3	50 3	50 3	50 3	53/1 to 55/3	50 3
Tailoring (Ready-made)—						
Machinists—						
Coat Hands .	53 3	53 3	53 3	53 3	50 1	53 3
Trousers, Vest Hands	48 3	48 3	48 3	48 3	47 7	48 3
Tailoresses—						
Coat Hands .	53 3	53 3	53 3	53 3	50 1	53 3
Trousers, Vest Hands	48 3	48 3	48 3	48 3	47 7	48 3
Textile Working (Woollen Mills)—						
Comb Minders ..	49 6	44 0	44 0	44 0	44 0	44 0
Drawers and Menders	51/6 & 57/6	44/ to 50/	47/ to 53/	44/ to 50/	44/ to 50/	44/ to 50/
Warpers	52/6 & 57/6	46 0	48/ to 53/	46 0	46 0	46 0
Weavers—Loom ..	57 6	47 0	53 0	47 0	47 0	47 0
Other Adults ..	48 6	44 0	44 0	44 0	44 4	44 0
Underclothing—						
Adult Females ..	45/3 to 58/9	45/3 to 58/9	45/3 to 58/9	45/3 to 58/9	49/2 & 50/10	45/3 to 58/9

SECTION V.—*continued.*

GROUPS I., II., V., AND VI.—PRINTING AND OTHER MANUFACTURING.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide	Perth	Hobart.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Bedding and Furniture—						
Bedding Machinists ..	49 0	52 6	50 11	44 6	62 4	44 6
Picture Frame Workers	54 0	52 6		48 6	59 1	48 6
Bookbinding—						
Folders and Sewers ..	52/6 & 53/6	51/6 & 52/6	49/- & 50/-	49/6 & 50/6	49/6 & 50/6	49/6 & 50/6
Brush Making—						
Adult Females ..	53 0	14 0	47 0	42 0	.	
Candle and Soap Making—						
Adult Females ..	48 0	42 0	46 0	38 3		*26 7
Cardboard Box Making—						
Box Makers ..	48/6 to 55/6	47/6 to 54/6	45/ to 52/-	45/6 to 52/6	45/6 to 52/6	45/6 to 52/6
Other Adults ..	44/6 to 52/6	43/6 to 51/6	41/- to 49/-	41/6 to 49/6	41/6 to 49/6	41/6 to 49/6
Jewellery—						
Chainmakers .	52/6 & 57/6	98 0	67 0	.	56 11	.
Gilders	52 6	90 0	57 0	57 3	56 11	
Polishers	52 6	98 0	57 0	57 3	56 11	.
Scratch Brushers ..	52 6	45 6	57 0	57 3	56 11	.
Leather Goods—						
Adult Females ..	51 0	51 0	51 6	41/6 to 48/6	51 8	51 0
Paper Making—						
Adult Females .	44 0	38 1				.
Paper Bag Making—						
Adult Females ..	44/6 to 50/6	43/6 to 49/6	41/- to 47/-	41/6 to 47/6	41/6 to 47/6	41/6 to 47/6
Potteries—						
Adult Females ..	44 0	43 0	50 0			.
Printing—						
Jobbing Office Assistants	52 6	51 6	49 0	49 6	49 6	49 6
Lithographic Feeders	51 6	50 6	18 0	18 6	18 6	48 6
Rubber Working—						
Adult Females ..	13 6	43 0	51 0			.
Tent and Tarpaulin Making						
Machinists ..	51 6	51 6	51 6	47 6	46 3	51 6

GROUP XIII.—DOMESTIC, HOTELS, ETC.

NOTE.—The rates of wage mentioned herein for employees in Hotels and Restaurants represent the weekly cash payment where Board and Lodging are not provided.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Hotels—						
Barmaids	65 6	68 9	80 0	55 0	102 3	*62 0
Housemaids ..	53 0	55 9	49 6	47 0	58 5	*49 0
Laundresses ..	58 6	58 9	55 6	51 0	58 5	*52 0
Waitresses—Head ..	59 0	58 9	49 6	52 0	.	*52 0
" Other ..	54 0	54 9	49 6	47 0	58 5	*48 0
Laundries—						
General Hands ..	46 6	45 0	46 0	41 1	52 4	*40 0
Machinists—						
Shirt and Collar ..	48 6	53 9	46 0	45 0	56 4	*40/ & 45/
Sorters	48 6	45 0	46 0	45 0	52 4	*40 0
Starchers	45 6	50 6	46 0	41 0	52 4	*40 0
Washers	45 6	56/ & 88/6	46 0	41 0	63 1	*50 0
Office Cleaning—						
Adult Females ..	52/6 & 54/9	77 5	60/ to 64/	44 0	56 2	
Restaurants—						
Pantry Maids ..	51 6	48 6	49 6	42 0	49 8	*49 4
Waitresses ..	51/6 & 54/6	48 6	49 6	43/6 & 51/	47 9	*48/2 & 54/2

SECTION V.—*continued.*

GROUP XIV.—SHOP ASSISTANTS, CLERKS, ETC.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Clerks, &c.—						
Cashiers	51 3	57 3	75 0	52 0	(a)60 7	*54 0
Clerical Assistants ..	51 3	57 3	75 0	52 0		*54 0
Saleswomen—						
Boot	64 0	40/ to 57/6	60 6	43 6	54/11 & 60/2	*45 0
Drapery	64 0	52 0	60 6	87 9	54/11 & 63/10	*45 0
Fruit and Confectionery	54 0	42 6	60 6	43 6	54 11	*50 0
Newsagent and Bookstall	64 0	35/ to 45/	60 6	43 6	54 11	*45 0
Tobacconists ..	64 0	56/6 to 76/6	60 6	50 6	54 11	*49 6

(a) 38 hours, except in special circumstances.

Section VI.

Weekly Rates of Wage and Hours of Labour : Australia and Other Countries.

Industry and Occupation	Australia (Sydney).				Great Britain and Northern Ireland (London).				New Zealand (Auckland).				Canada (Montreal).			
	July, 1914.		31st Dec., 1939.		August, 1914.		31st Dec., 1939.		March, 1914.		31st Dec., 1939.		Sept., 1914.		31st Dec., 1939	
	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.
	s. d.		s. d.		s. d.		s. d.		s. d.		s. d.		$		$	
Furniture—																
Cabinet Makers	60 0	48	108 0	44	39 5	46½ to 54	85 4	47	60 8½	47	110 0	40	20.41	60	16 80 to 17 20	40 to 44
Upholsterers	60 0	48	108 0	44	38 8	46½ to 54	85 4	47	60 8½	47	110 0	40	20 41	60	21 00 to 29.40	40 to 44
French Polishers	60 0	48	108 0	44	37 5	46½ to 54	85 4	47	60 8½	47	110 0	40	20 41	60	21.00 to 29.40	40 to 44
Sawmilling—																
Machinists, Planing	63 0	48	92 0 and 101 0	44	..	.	..	..	57 0	47	103 4	40	14.58	55	21.62	47 to 55
,, Shaping	69 0	48	106 0	44	..	..	..	..	45 0	47	103 4	40	16.56	55		
Sawyers, Band or Jig	68 0	48	96 0 to 109 0	44	.	..	..	..	48 0	47	96 8	40	16.56	55	19.27	47 to 54
,, Circular	54 0 to 60 0	48	96 0 to 103 0	44	..	..	..	..	54 0	47	112 6	40	14.99	55	16 92	47
Engineering, and Metal Working—																
Fitters and Turners	70 0	48	109 0 and 112 0	44	38 11	53 to 54	72 11	47	64 7	47	110 0	40	..	.	23.25 to 40.38	40 to 55

Patternmakers	74 0	48	121 0	44	41 1	53 to 54	72 11	47	69 0	49	110 0	40	21.38	55	26.40 to 33.00	44
Moulders (Iron)	68 0 and 72 0	48	91 0 to 112 0	44	41 8	53 to 54	72 11	47	64 7½	47	110 0	40	18.95	60	18.60 to 33 00	44
Tinsmiths	60 0	48	102 6	44	..	..	..	..	62 8	47	110 0	40	14.30	54	23.32	44
Milling (Flour)—																
Millers (shift)	63 0 and 70 0	48	93 0 to 108 6	44	..	..	74 0 and 76 0	42	48 0	48	99 4 (a)	40	18.95	60	28.56	48 to 66
Packermen	51 0	48	86 0	44	..	..	..	..	48 0	48	95 4	40	14.58	60	21 50	40 to 60
Bootmakers	60 0	48	105 0	44	30 0	52½	54 3 to 61 0	45	52 6	45	102 6	40	22.60	55	..	..
Tailoring (Ready-made)—																
Cutters	65 0	48	103 0	44	..	..	..	..	52 0 to 60 0	45	102 6	40	17.50 to 19.44	49	26.60	44 to 48
Pressers (Coat)	60 0	48	100 0	44	..	..	..	..	55 0	45	92 6	40	14.58 to 19.44	49	19.17	44 to 48
Trimmers	65 0	48	100 0	44	..	..	..	..	52 0 to 60 0	45	92 6	40	14.58	49	19.17	44 to 48
Bookbinding—																
Bookbinders	65 0	48	109 0	44	33 11	50 to 51	80 0	45	65 0	48	107 6	40	17.50	48	27 00 to 30.00	44 to 48
Paper Rulers	65 0 to 77 6	48	109 0	44	33 11	50 to 51	80 0	45	65 0	48	107 6	40	19.44	48	25.00 to 30 00	44 to 48
Printing (Daily Newspapers)—																
Compositors (Day work)	88 0	48	131 0	44	35 8	50	89 0	45	65 0	48	107 6	40	21.30	48	36.00 to 45.00	44 to 45
Readers (Day work)	80 0	48	139 6	44	..	..	..	..	..	..	117 6	40	17.50	48	37.00 to 45 50	44 to 48
Printing (Jobbing Offices)—																
Compositors	65 0	48	109 0 and 118 0	44	35 8	50 to 51	89 0	45	65 0	48	107 6	40	17.98	48	25.00 to 35.00	44 to 48
Linotype Operators	80 0	48	118 0	44	..	..	..	..	74 0	48	115 0	40	..	..	25.00 to 35.00	44 to 48
Building—																
Bricklayers	78 0	48	126 6	44	40 7	49¼	78 0	44	70 6	47	115 0	40	28.75	54	44.00	44
Carpenters	72 0	48	126 6	44	39 11	49¼	78 0	44	64 7½	47	112 6	40	23.61	54	30.80	44
Labourers—Carpenters	60 6	44	88 0	44	27 0	49¼	60 6	44	51 4	47	93 4	40	15.63	54	13.80 to 18.40	44 to 48
Concrete Workers	60 6	44	88 0	44	27 0	49¼	60 6	44	54 10	47	93 4	40	15 63	54		
Earth Excavators	60 6	44	88 0	44	27 0	49¼	60 6	44	54 10	47	93 4	40	15.63	54		

(a) Kilnmen.

SECTION VI.—*continued.*

WEEKLY RATES OF WAGE AND HOURS OF LABOUR: AUSTRALIA AND OTHER COUNTRIES—*continued.*

Industry and Occupation.	Australia (Sydney).				Great Britain and Northern Ireland (London).				New Zealand (Auckland).				Canada (Montreal).			
	July, 1914.		31st Dec., 1939.		August, 1914.		31st Dec., 1939.		March, 1914.		31st Dec., 1939.		Sept., 1914.		1st Oct., 1939.	
	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.
Building—*contd.*	s. d.		s. d.		s. d.		s. d.		s. d.		s. d.		$		$	
Painters	64 0	48	115 4	44	36 3	49½	74 4	44	60 6	44	110 0	40	21.00	54	29.04	44
Paperhangers	64 0	48	115 4	44	36 3	49½	78 0	44	60 6	44	110 0	40	21.00	54	29.04	44
Plasterers	78 0	48	126 6	44	40 0	49½	78 0	44	66 0	44	115 0	40	25.65	48	35.20	44
Plumbers	72 0	48	127 4	44	39 8	49½	78 0	44	62 4 to 66 0	44	110 0	40	22.31	54	33.00	44
Tramways—																
Conductors—																
1st year	48 0	48	88 0	44	27 5	(a)	79 0 to 88 0	48	42 0 to 48 0	48	95 10 and 100 0	40	12.84	60	27.00	54
2nd year	51 0	48	91 0										12.84	60	29.70	54
3rd year	54 0	48	94 0										13.41	60	32.40	54
Motormen—																
1st year	54 0	48	100 0	44	30 11	(a)	79 0 to 88 0	48	48 0 to 54 0	48	100 0 and 103 4	40	12.84	60	27.00	54
2nd year	57 0	48	100 0										12.84	60	29.70	54
3rd year	60 0	48	100 0										13.41	60	32.40	54
rrying (Merchandise)—																
Carters (1 horse)	50 0	56½	93 0	44	25 7	(a)	60 0 and 61 0	48	48 0	48	93 0	44	20.41	54	15.00 to 18.00	48 to 60
Municipal—Labourers	57 0	48	95 6	44	26 9	(a)	60 0	47	50 11 to 58 9	47	90 0	40	11.83	54	16.80	48

(a) Not available.

Section VII.

COMPARATIVE INDEX-NUMBERS FOR THE SIX CAPITAL CITIES COMBINED.

(* *Base of Each Section: Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities*, 1911 = 1,000.)

Period.	Retail Price Index-numbers				Nominal Wages Adult Males.	Real Wages. (a)	Percentage of Unemployment among Trade Unionists.
	Food and Groceries.	Housing (4 and 5 Rooms).	Food, Groceries and Housing (4 and 5 Rooms).	All Items of Household Expenditure.			
Year—							
1911	1,000	1,000	1,000	b 1,000	1,000	b 1,000	4.7
1914	1,144	1,082	1,121	1,140	1,081	948	8.3
1921	1,902	1,410	1,717	1,680	1,826	1,087	11.2
1929	1,866	1,754	1,824	1,713	1,972	1,151	11.1
1931	1,477	1,473	1,475	1,448	1,752	1,210	27.4
1935	1,442	1,372	1,416	1,380	1,612	1,169	16.5
1936	1,475	1,437	1,461	1,409	1,638	1,162	12.2
1937	1,521	1,488	1,510	1,448	1,707	1,178	9.3
1938	1,584	1,540	1,568	1,488	1,799	1,211	8.7
1939	1,657	1,577	1,626	1,526	1,846	1,211	9.7
1940	1,679	1,590	1,644	1,588	1,889	1,190	8.0
Quarter—							
1930.							
March	1,751	1,782	1,763	1,670	1,973	1,181	14.6
June	1,734	1,744	1,738	1,653	1,956	1,183	18.5
September	1,673	1,692	1,680	1,607	1,939	1,207	20.5
December	1,568	1,625	1,590	1,542	1,887	1,224	23.4
1931.							
March	1,538	1,560	1,546	1,500	1,814	1,209	25.8
June	1,496	1,501	1,498	1,464	1,764	1,205	27.6
September	1,435	1,447	1,439	1,423	1,735	1,219	28.3
December	1,439	1,382	1,418	1,406	1,694	1,205	28.0
1932.							
March	1,465	1,358	1,425	1,403	1,680	1,197	28.3
June	1,448	1,345	1,409	1,389	1,672	1,204	30.0
September	1,416	1,327	1,382	1,370	1,608	1,174	29.6
December	1,369	1,314	1,348	1,346	1,597	1,186	28.1
1933.							
March	1,317	1,318	1,318	1,327	1,585	1,194	26.5
June	1,337	1,314	1,329	1,334	1,595	1,196	25.7
September	1,359	1,311	1,341	1,340	1,587	1,184	25.1
December	1,355	1,311	1,339	1,337	1,570	1,174	23.0
1934.							
March	1,371	1,315	1,350	1,344	1,572	1,170	21.9
June	1,404	1,319	1,372	1,358	1,592	1,172	20.9
September	1,401	1,331	1,375	1,357	1,596	1,176	20.4
December	1,422	1,332	1,388	1,361	1,599	1,175	18.8
1935.							
March	1,420	1,356	1,396	1,368	1,607	1,175	18.6
June	1,425	1,363	1,402	1,371	1,609	1,174	17.8
September	1,461	1,379	1,430	1,389	1,613	1,161	15.9
December	1,460	1,390	1,434	1,391	1,620	1,165	13.7
1936.							
March	1,445	1,413	1,433	1,391	1,623	1,167	13.4
June	1,455	1,425	1,444	1,397	1,629	1,166	12.8
September	1,489	1,449	1,474	1,420	1,641	1,156	12.0
December	1,510	1,461	1,491	1,430	1,659	1,160	10.7
1937.							
March	1,510	1,470	1,495	1,433	1,662	1,160	9.9
June	1,507	1,483	1,498	1,441	1,680	1,166	9.7
September	1,526	1,499	1,516	1,454	1,721	1,184	9.3
December	1,540	1,510	1,529	1,465	1,763	1,203	8.2
1938.							
March	1,540	1,521	1,534	1,467	1,778	1,212	8.0
June	1,572	1,534	1,558	1,482	1,787	1,206	8.6
September	1,616	1,547	1,589	1,500	1,806	1,204	9.2
December	1,608	1,559	1,589	1,501	1,823	1,215	8.9
1939.							
March	1,673	1,568	1,631	1,524	1,826	1,198	9.6
June	1,654	1,575	1,623	1,522	1,847	1,214	9.5
September	1,645	1,582	1,620	1,520	1,854	1,220	10.2
December	1,657	1,584	1,628	1,536	1,858	1,210	9.3
1940.							
March	1,640	1,587	1,620	1,542	1,864	1,209	7.9
June	1,688	1,589	1,649	1,583	1,875	1,184	10.5
September	1,676	1,591	1,642	1,590	1,903	1,197	7.4
December	1,710	1,593	1,663	1,635	1,912	1,169	6.2

(a) Index of nominal weekly wage rates for adult males divided by "C" series index of retail prices.

(b) Taken back from true base (November, 1914) by means of the Food and Rent of All Houses ("A" Series) Index.

*The index-numbers given in the separate columns of the table cannot be compared with each other in order to show, for example, the relative cost of housing, and food and groceries, since the cost in 1911 *in each group or combination* is made equal to 1,000

Section VIII.

Department of Labour and National Service.

This new Department was created by the Commonwealth Government on 28th October, 1940, in lieu of the existing Department of Industry. The first Minister in charge was the Hon. H. E. Holt, M.P., with Dr. Roland Wilson (formerly Commonwealth Statistician) as Secretary. The administrative head-quarters and the Central Secretariat of the Department are located in Canberra.

The principal functions of the new Department were explained by the Minister to the House of Representatives on 10th December, as relating to matters of general labour policy, man-power priorities, investigations of labour supply and demand, the effective placement of labour, technical training, industrial relations and welfare, research into man-power questions, and planning for post war rehabilitation and development.

The Department consists of a Central Secretariat and seven divisions, viz.:—(i) Employment; (ii) Industrial Relations; (iii) Industrial Training; (iv) Industrial Welfare; (v) Record and Analysis; (vi) National Service; and (vii) Reconstruction. The chief activities of these divisions are as follows:—

(i) *Employment Division.*—This Division is concerned chiefly with investigation of the supply of labour available for urgent national work, with investigation of the demand for labour, both from munition plants and civil industry, and with the placement of unemployed, under-employed, or mis-employed labour in jobs which will contribute both to the war effort and to the well-being of the civil population. Its machinery is being so devised as to fit it to assist in the problem of re-employment at the end of the war.

(ii) *Industrial Relations Division.*—This division is concerned chiefly with wages and working conditions in the munitions and other industries of national importance, and, as its name implies, with the maintenance of industrial peace. It is also responsible for the administration of schemes for the dilution of labour. Its work is facilitated by the advice and assistance given by the Trade Union Advisory Panel.

(iii) *Industrial Training Division.*—This division is responsbile for the special technical training of members of the fighting services and the new recruits to the munitions industry. The division will also be responsible for the training and re-training of members of the fighting services who return to Australia after the war.

(iv) *Industrial Welfare Division.*—This division will be developed along the lines which are at present not adequately covered by State activities. It has assumed a general responsibility for the oversight of working conditions in factories and other establishments connected with the war effort. There is scope for much useful work in the adoption of a general policy for the improvement of health, welfare and recreational activities of the workers. The problem of providing adequate housing accommodation for munition workers in rapidly developing industrial areas is also dealt with by this division. The division works in close co-operation with the Munitions Health Advisory Committee, and with the Controller of Welfare of the Ministry of Munitions, who is responsible for the carrying out of welfare work in Government munition factories. Some consideration is being given to the possibility of establishing a Bureau of Home Economics, rather similar in nature to the Bureau functioning under that name in the United States of America.

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(v) *Record and Analysis Division.*—The chief function of this division is the administration of the National Register, which was taken over from the Department of Defence Co-ordination, and the analysis of statistics derived therefrom for the general planning activities of the Department. It will also be responsible for any systems of central registration required by other Divisions in the course of their work, and for assembling and analysing employment and unemployment statistics supplied by other Government agencies.

(vi) *National Service Division.*—This division will be concerned chiefly with the encouragement and co-ordination of the voluntary effort which has already been organized in special directions by existing voluntary agencies.

(vii) *Reconstruction Division.*—The function of this division is to co-ordinate the preparation of plans for the reconstruction of the economy after the war, and concurrently for the re-absorption into civil life of soldiers, sailors, airmen and workers in war and allied industries. Reconstruction interests the Commonwealth Government, the State Governments, the Universities, employees' and employers' organizations, and, indeed, every organized body and active citizen in the Commonwealth. The fundamental condition of effective reconstruction is a searching enquiry by all concerned into the economic and political structure of Australia, into its war-time developments and its external relationships. Some of the questions facing the division have called for immediate action. Of these the most urgent is perhaps the repatriation, training and retraining and re-employment of the members of the Forces in the present war.

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