

## CHAPTER V.—LABOUR ORGANIZATIONS.

### § 1. Labour Organizations in Australia.

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, 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 returns. The affairs of single unions are not disclosed in the published results and this has assisted in securing complete information. The Bureau is indebted to the secretaries of trade unions for their co-operation in supplying information.

In this chapter figures for the years 1953 to 1956 are compared with those for 1939. Particulars for earlier years will be found in preceding issues of the Labour Report.

2. *Trade Unions.*—(i) *Number and Membership, States.*—The following table gives particulars of the number of separate unions and the number of members at the end of the years 1939 and 1953 to 1957:—

#### TRADE UNIONS: NUMBER AND MEMBERSHIP.

Year.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aust.
<b>NUMBER OF SEPARATE UNIONS.</b>									
1939.. ..	200	149	114	117	141	79	4	15	(a) 380
1953.. ..	224	159	129	138	152	98	18	28	(a) 365
1954.. ..	228	158	129	138	154	98	18	29	(a) 371
1955.. ..	235	160	130	138	154	101	20	32	(a) 372
1956.. ..	237	162	135	140	157	101	23	33	(a) 375
<b>NUMBER OF MEMBERS.</b>									
1939.. ..	358,391	216,803	180,653	67,282	67,833	22,062	761	1,685	915,470
1953.. ..	665,737	424,428	285,718	140,154	107,642	48,293	2,535	5,251	1,679,758
1954.. ..	732,737	433,891	305,304	147,555	109,589	50,290	2,168	5,970	1,787,504
1955.. ..	731,960	446,372	305,509	146,422	111,959	51,401	2,440	5,799	1,801,862
1956.. ..	736,152	441,286	314,782	147,728	110,447	52,708	2,352	5,953	1,811,408
<b>PERCENTAGE INCREASE IN MEMBERSHIP.(b)</b>									
1939.. ..	3.3	0.8	6.5	8.7	0.1	4.8	5.6	9.6	3.4
1953.. ..	2.6	1.9	3.9	1.9	2.1	2.9	8.3	7.7	2.6
1954.. ..	10.1	2.2	6.9	5.3	1.8	4.1	-14.5	13.7	6.4
1955.. ..	-0.1	2.9	0.1	-0.8	2.2	2.2	12.5	-2.9	0.8
1956.. ..	0.6	-1.1	3.0	0.9	-1.4	2.5	-3.6	2.7	0.5

(a) Without interstate duplication. (See letterpress below.) (b) On preceding year.

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes decrease.

The substantial increase in the number of members of trade unions in 1954 was partly the result of an amendment to the New South Wales Industrial Arbitration Act, 1940-1953, which gave absolute preference of employment to members of appropriate trade unions, and also made it compulsory for persons over 18 years of age working under State awards or agreements (except students, those holding managerial positions, conscientious objectors and ex-servicemen) to join an appropriate trade union.

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 body. Broadly speaking, there are four distinct classes of labour organizations:—(i) the local independent; (ii) the State; (iii) the interstate; and (iv) the Australasian or international. The schemes of organization of interstate or federated unions vary greatly in character. In some unions the State organizations are bound together under a system of unification with centralized control, while in others the State units are practically independent and self-governing, the federal bond being loose and existing only for one or two specified purposes.

In the preceding table, under the heading "Number of Separate Unions", a union with members in a State is counted as one union within that State. The figures by States do not add to the Australian total (shown in the last column) because a union represented in more than one State is included in the figure for each State in which it is represented, but is counted only once in the Australian total.

The collection of statistics relating to the "Number of Branches" of trade unions appearing in issues of this publication prior to No. 39 has been discontinued.

(ii) *Number and Membership, Industrial Groups.*—The following table gives the number and membership of trade unions in Australia in industrial groups at the end of the years 1953 to 1956 compared with 1939.

#### TRADE UNIONS: INDUSTRIAL GROUPS, AUSTRALIA.

Industrial Group.	1939.	1953.	1954.	1955.	1956.
NUMBER OF SEPARATE UNIONS.(a)					
I. Wood, Furniture, etc. . . . .	4	6	6	6	6
II. Engineering, Metal Works, etc. . . . .	22	15	15	15	15
III. Food, Drink, Tobacco, etc. . . . .	35	36	39	37	35
IV. Clothing, Textiles, etc. . . . .	12	6	6	7	7
V. Books, Printing, etc. . . . .	8	6	6	6	6
VI. Other Manufacturing . . . . .	37	37	36	36	38
VII. Building . . . . .	28	28	28	29	29
VIII. Mining, Quarrying, etc. . . . .	13	12	13	13	13
IX. Railway and Tramway Services . . . . .	29	25	26	25	25
X. Other Transport . . . . .	6	9	9	9	10
XI. Shipping, Wharf Labour, etc. . . . .	21	13	13	14	14
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, etc. . . . .	5	3	3	3	3
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, etc. . . . .	18	14	12	12	12
XIV. Miscellaneous—					
(i) Banking, Insurance and Clerical . . . . .	20	17	18	19	20
(ii) Public Service . . . . .	50	63	61	62	63
(iii) Retail and Wholesale . . . . .	8	13	13	12	12
(iv) Municipal, Sewerage and Labouring . . . . .	11	10	10	10	10
(v) Other Miscellaneous . . . . .	53	52	57	57	57
Total . . . . .	390	365	371	372	375

(a) Without interstate duplication. See above.

TRADE UNIONS: INDUSTRIAL GROUPS, AUSTRALIA—*continued.*

Industrial Group.	1939.	1953.	1954.	1955.	1956.
NUMBER OF MEMBERS.					
I. Wood, Furniture, etc. . . . .	27,990	43,051	43,572	47,678	46,081
II. Engineering, Metal Works, etc. . . . .	99,731	246,217	258,838	266,897	267,141
III. Food, Drink, Tobacco, etc. . . . .	80,328	95,806	104,335	106,865	105,230
IV. Clothing, Textiles, etc. . . . .	68,847	111,788	117,292	107,618	105,064
V. Books, Printing, etc. . . . .	22,303	35,467	38,912	41,514	42,464
VI. Other Manufacturing . . . . .	52,074	80,027	84,456	85,023	83,537
VII. Building . . . . .	45,651	123,811	143,071	134,224	145,448
VIII. Mining, Quarrying, etc. . . . .	48,812	50,515	49,833	46,641	47,081
IX. Railway and Tramway Services . . . . .	105,938	141,642	143,680	146,401	145,791
X. Other Transport . . . . .	19,488	59,494	62,025	66,627	60,293
XI. Shipping, Wharf Labour, etc. . . . .	28,760	39,941	40,372	41,612	39,328
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, etc. . . . .	40,276	62,070	63,831	66,224	64,717
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, etc. . . . .	13,177	33,025	36,611	37,722	38,209
XIV. Miscellaneous—					
(i) Banking, Insurance and Clerical . . . . .	39,013	108,605	112,946	114,218	110,734
(ii) Public Service . . . . .	89,848	195,777	202,797	203,437	209,497
(iii) Retail and Wholesale . . . . .	36,290	62,723	72,664	71,583	72,635
(iv) Municipal, Sewerage and Labouring . . . . .	46,552	75,097	81,115	83,572	86,231
(v) Other Miscellaneous . . . . .	50,392	112,702	131,154	134,006	141,927
Total . . . . .	915,470	1,679,758	1,787,504	1,801,862	1,811,408

(iii) *Numbers of Members and Proportion of Wage and Salary Earners.*—

(a) *General.*—The following tables show the estimated percentages of wage and salary earners in employment who are members of trade unions. The data on which the numbers of wage and salary earners are based are described in Chapter IV. (pp. 110-111). As current estimates of wage and salary earners in employment do not include employees engaged in rural industry or females in private domestic service, the percentages have been calculated on figures obtained by adding to the end of year estimates the numbers of employees in rural industry and female private domestic service recorded at the Census of June, 1954. For this reason, and also because the membership of trade unions includes some persons not in employment, the percentages shown in the tables must be regarded as approximations.

(b) *States.*—The table below shows for each State, the numbers of males, females and persons who were members of trade unions in December, 1955 and 1956 and the estimated percentages as described above. In interpreting these, it should be noted that certain employees such as those in professional occupations may not be eligible for membership of a specified union, while others may not reside in a locality covered by a union devoted to their particular trade or occupation. The percentages are not directly comparable with those published in previous issues of the Labour Report.

**TRADE UNIONS: NUMBER OF MEMBERS AND PROPORTION OF TOTAL WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS, STATES, DECEMBER, 1955 AND 1956.**

State.	Number of Members.			Proportion of Total Wage and Salary Earners. (Per cent.)		
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.
31ST DECEMBER, 1955.						
New South Wales <i>a</i>	597,708	140,051	737,759	71	44	63
Victoria ..	357,519	88,853	446,372	61	37	54
Queensland ..	241,499	64,010	305,509	77	65	74
South Australia ..	126,276	20,146	146,422	65	30	56
Western Australia	95,805	16,154	111,959	64	34	57
Tasmania ..	42,994	8,407	51,401	62	36	55
<b>Australia(b)</b>	<b>1,464,016</b>	<b>337,846</b>	<b>1,801,862</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>61</b>

31ST DECEMBER, 1956.

New South Wales <i>a</i>	600,167	141,938	742,105	70	44	63
Victoria ..	356,531	84,755	441,286	60	35	53
Queensland ..	245,798	68,984	314,782	78	70	76
South Australia ..	127,911	19,817	147,728	65	30	56
Western Australia	93,907	16,540	110,447	63	35	57
Tasmania ..	44,164	8,544	52,708	62	36	56
<b>Australia(b)</b>	<b>1,470,606</b>	<b>340,802</b>	<b>1,811,408</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>61</b>

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory.

(b) Includes Northern Territory.

(c) *Australia*.—Similar particulars for Australia as at the end of each of the years 1939 and 1953 to 1956 are given in the following table.

**TRADE UNIONS: NUMBER OF MEMBERS AND PROPORTION OF TOTAL WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS(a), AUSTRALIA.**

Year.	Number of Members.			Proportion of Total Wage and Salary Earners. (Per cent.)		
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.
1939 .. ..	778,336	137,134	915,470	52	24	44
1953 .. ..	1,381,103	298,655	1,679,758	67	40	60
1954 .. ..	1,448,223	339,281	1,787,504	68	44	62
1955 .. ..	1,464,016	337,846	1,801,862	68	43	61
1956 .. ..	1,470,606	340,802	1,811,408	67	43	61

(a) Includes allowance for unemployed.

(iv) *Classification according to Number of Members.*—The following table shows the number and membership of all trade unions in Australia at the end of each of the years 1939 and 1953 to 1956, classified according to size. In this table interstate unions are counted once only.

**TRADE UNIONS: CLASSIFICATION ACCORDING TO NUMBER OF MEMBERS, AUSTRALIA.**

Classification.	Under 2,000.	2,000 and under 5,000.	5,000 and under 10,000.	10,000 and under 20,000.	20,000 and under 30,000.	30,000 and under 40,000.	40,000 and under 50,000.	50,000 and over.	Total.
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**NUMBER OF UNIONS.**

1939 ..	298	41	14	19	5	3			380
1953 ..	263	38	25	12	12	5	5	5	365
1954 ..	267	38	24	13	13	6	4	6	371
1955 ..	264	43	20	17	10	10	2	6	372
1956 ..	266	42	22	16	10	10	3	6	375

**MEMBERSHIP.**

1939 ..	125,565	134,204	87,077	265,710	122,519	180,395			915,470
1953 ..	140,908	123,436	178,149	172,652	287,554	161,169	216,741	399,149	1,679,758
1954 ..	136,756	121,106	171,494	176,013	320,490	210,700	183,474	467,471	1,787,504
1955 ..	134,101	134,823	140,970	222,814	243,592	358,009	91,819	475,734	1,801,862
1956 ..	132,698	126,736	153,548	211,937	235,043	350,672	136,062	464,712	1,811,408

**PROPORTION OF TOTAL MEMBERSHIP. (PER CENT.)**

1939 ..	13.7	14.6	9.5	29.1	13.4	19.7			100.0
1953 ..	8.4	7.3	10.6	10.3	17.1	9.6	12.9	23.8	100.0
1954 ..	7.7	6.8	9.6	9.8	17.9	11.7	10.3	26.2	100.0
1955 ..	7.5	7.5	7.8	12.3	13.5	19.9	5.1	26.4	100.0
1956 ..	7.3	7.0	8.5	11.7	13.0	19.4	7.5	25.6	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. The tendency towards closer organization is evidenced by the fact that although membership of trade unions increased between 1912 and 1956 by 318 per cent., the number of unions having less than 2,000 members considerably decreased, namely, from 360 to 266. In 1956, 7.3 per cent. of trade union members belonged to unions having less than 2,000 members as compared with 13.7 per cent. in 1939 and 28.1 per cent. in 1912.

(v) *Interstate or Federated Trade Unions.*—The following table gives particulars regarding the 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.**(a)

Particulars.	Unions Operating in—					Total.	
	2 States.	3 States.	4 States.	5 States.	6 States.		
Number of Unions	1939 ..	19	11	20	24	42	116
	1953 ..	12	12	20	35	60	139
	1954 ..	12	11	26	32	58	139
	1955 ..	14	9	21	32	65	141
	1956 ..	14	8	22	33	66	143
Number of Members	1939 ..	30,888	33,319	120,664	209,369	361,884	756,124
	1953 ..	32,050	46,691	134,998	381,910	885,795	1,481,444
	1954 ..	32,889	54,725	179,527	496,509	809,283	1,572,933
	1955 ..	34,536	59,752	144,282	420,769	925,723	1,585,062
	1956 ..	33,864	61,257	142,799	425,861	928,870	1,592,651

(a) Certain unions have, in addition to branches in the States, branches in the Northern Territory and in the Australian Capital Territory.

The number of organizations operating in two or more States increased from 72 in 1912 to 143 in 1956, and the ratio of the membership of such organizations to the total membership of all organizations rose from 65 per cent. to 88 per cent. during the same period.

3. **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 the Trades Hall Council. 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 with 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 following table shows, for each State, the number of metropolitan and district or local labour councils, together with the number of unions and branches of unions affiliated therewith, at the end of the years 1939 and 1953 to 1956.

**CENTRAL LABOUR ORGANIZATIONS : NUMBER, AND UNIONS AND BRANCH UNIONS AFFILIATED.**

Particulars:	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aus- tralia.	
No. of Councils	1939 ..	3	5	6	2	8	2	..	1	27
	1953 ..	10	9	12	6	10	5	1	1	54
	1954 ..	11	9	13	6	10	4	1	1	55
	1955 ..	11	9	13	6	10	5	..	1	55
	1956 ..	11	9	13	6	10	5	..	1	55
No. of Unions and Branch Unions Affiliated	1939 ..	103	179	79	50	210	59	..	9	689
	1953 ..	255	275	128	127	369	109	4	20	1,287
	1954 ..	288	270	152	124	399	92	4	21	1,350
	1955 ..	287	263	152	132	397	103	..	22	1,356
	1956 ..	290	262	161	141	399	103	..	22	1,378

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 whose members' interests are closely connected by reason of their occupations. 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, may be so classed.

A Central Labour Organization, now called the Australian Council of Trade Unions, came into being during 1927. The Council was created to function on behalf of the trade unions of Australia, and was founded at an All-Australian Trade Union Congress held in Melbourne in May, 1927. The Australian Council of Trade Unions consists of affiliated unions and affiliated Metropolitan and/or State Labour Councils and Provincial Councils. The Metropolitan or State Labour Council in each State is the State Branch of the A.C.T.U. and has the right to appoint two representatives to act on the Executive of the Council. In addition to the representatives from the Metropolitan or State Labour Councils, the Executive consists of four officers, namely, the President, two Vice-Presidents, and a Secretary, who are elected by and from the Australian Congress of Trade Unions.

The objectives of the Council are the socialization of industry, i.e., production, distribution and exchange, and the utilization of the resources of Australia for the benefit of the people—ensuring full employment, with rising standards of living, real security and full cultural opportunities for all. The methods to be adopted are:—the closer organization of the workers by the transformation of the Australian Trade Union Movement from the craft to an industrial basis, by grouping of unions in their respective industries and by the establishment of one union in each industry; the consolidation of the Australian Labour Movement with the object of unified control, administration, and action; the centralized control of industrial disputes; educational propaganda among unions; and political action to secure satisfactory working-class legislation.

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 to the Commonwealth Government the names of persons suitable for selection as the Australian workers' delegate to the annual International Labour Conference.

**4. Organizations Registered under the Conciliation and Arbitration Act.**—Under Part VIII. of the Conciliation and Arbitration Act any association of employers in any industry who have, or any employer who has, employed not less than 100 employees during the 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 1955 the number of employers' organizations registered under the provisions of the Act was 56 and at the end of 1956, 58. The number of unions registered at the end of 1955 was 152 with membership of 1,469,045, representing 81 per cent. of the total membership of all trade unions in Australia. At the end of 1956 the number of unions registered was 154 with membership of 1,470,112, or 81 per cent. of total membership.

## § 2. International Labour Organization.

**1. General.**—The International Labour Organization (I.L.O.) was established on 11th April, 1919, as an autonomous institution associated with the League of Nations. Its original constitution was adopted as Part XIII. of the Treaty of Versailles and formed part of other treaties of peace. During the years between its establishment and the outbreak of the 1939–45 War, the I.L.O., with head-quarters in Geneva, played a leading role in promoting the improvement of labour conditions throughout the world. In 1940, in order to ensure that the I.L.O. should be able to continue to function freely, a working centre was established at Montreal. In 1946 the Organization became the first of the specialized agencies of the United Nations. Under the terms of agreement, the United Nations recognizes the I.L.O. as a specialized agency having responsibility in the field defined by its constitution, which embraces labour conditions, industrial relations, employment organization, social security and other aspects of social policy. The Organization has three basic parts. These are the International Labour Conference, its highest authority, which as a rule meets annually; the Governing Body, its executive council, which usually meets four times each year; and the International Labour Office, which provides the Secretariat of the Organization. The Conference is composed of delegations from the Member States of the Organization. In August, 1956 there were 76 Member States, each of which is entitled to be represented by four delegates—two Government, one representing employers and one representing workers, together with their advisers. In accordance with amendments adopted at the 36th Session of the International Labour Conference, the Governing Body, as from the elections held in Geneva in 1954, has consisted of the representatives of twenty governments, and ten employers' and ten workers' representatives. Particulars are given in previous issues of the Labour Report of the proceedings of International Labour Conferences up to the 38th Session which was held in Geneva in June, 1955.

**2. The International Labour Conference.**—The 39th Session of the International Labour Conference was convened in Geneva on 6th June, 1956. The Australian delegation consisted of:—Government delegates: Dr. I. G. Sharp, Mr. G. A. Jockel; Employers' delegate: Mr. L. C. Burne; Workers' delegate: Mr. D. H. L. Banfield.

\* Under the Public Service Arbitration 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. Such organizations are included in the figures shown in the paragraph following.



The Conference considered, among other things, welfare facilities for workers, forced labour, weekly rest in commerce and offices, and living and working conditions of indigenous populations in independent countries.

3. **Governing Body.**—Australia was represented as a full member at the 130th and 131st Sessions of the Governing Body, which met in Geneva in November, 1955 and March, 1956, respectively, by Mr. R. L. Harry, the then Australian Permanent Delegate to the European office of the United Nations. Mr. Patrick Shaw, Australian Ambassador in Bonn, represented Australia at the 132nd Session, which met in Geneva in June, 1956.

4. **General Conferences.**—In addition to the above-mentioned conferences, Australia was represented at a number of the specialist and regional conferences held by the I.L.O., such as the Joint Maritime Commission (Paris, October, 1955), the Asian Advisory Committee (Geneva, November, 1955), the Coal Mines Committee (Istanbul, April, 1956), the Building, Civil Engineering and Public Works Committee (Geneva, May, 1956) and the Preparatory Maritime Conference (London, September, 1956).

APPENDIX.

SECTION I.

SYDNEY: AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES<sup>(a)</sup> OF FOOD AND GROCERIES ITEMS DURING EACH MONTH OF THE YEAR, 1955.

Item.	Unit.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Average, 1955.
Groceries, etc.—		<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Bread <sup>(b)</sup> ..	2 lb.	13.30	13.30	13.30	13.30	13.30	13.30	14.30	13.80	13.80	13.80	13.80	13.80	13.59
Flour, plain ..	"	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	13.19	13.19	13.19	13.19	13.19	13.19	12.60
" self-raising ..	"	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.50	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	19.75
Tea ..	lb.	89.00	89.00	89.00	89.00	89.00	89.00	74.20	74.20	84.65	84.65	84.65	84.65	85.08
Sugar ..	"	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
Rice ..	"	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00
Tapioca, seed ..	"	12.20	12.55	12.55	12.15	12.15	12.30	12.30	12.56	12.60	12.60	13.00	13.00	12.50
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	29.50	29.75	29.80	29.80	29.80	29.85	29.85	29.85	29.85	29.85	29.85	29.85	29.80
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	18.45	18.45	18.45	18.45	18.45	18.45	18.45	19.05	19.05	19.05	19.05	19.05	18.70
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	8.56	9.00	9.00	9.00	10.08	10.08	10.08	11.00	11.04	11.00	11.00	11.00	10.07
Raisins, seeded ..	"	31.75	31.70	31.80	31.80	31.80	31.80	31.80	31.90	31.40	31.50	30.30	30.30	31.49
Currants ..	"	24.67	24.67	24.67	24.88	24.88	24.88	24.88	24.92	25.17	25.17	25.30	25.30	24.98
Apricots, dried ..	"	64.00	64.00	60.44	61.19	62.50	61.17	62.44	62.44	60.90	61.30	65.00	63.00	62.37
Peaches, canned ..	29 oz.	38.65	38.65	38.65	38.65	38.65	38.65	38.65	38.65	38.65	38.65	38.65	38.65	38.65
Pears, canned ..	"	41.60	41.60	41.60	41.60	41.60	41.60	41.60	41.60	41.60	41.60	41.70	41.70	41.62
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	30.62	38.50	44.33	39.90	42.85	42.10	53.10	53.61	56.18	55.73	52.90	58.35	47.35
Onions, brown ..	lb.	8.33	7.80	7.90	7.80	8.30	8.80	9.90	9.60	10.10	10.10	15.80	12.00	9.70
Soap ..	"	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.20	18.20	18.20	18.20	18.29
Kerosene ..	quart	8.13	8.15	8.15	8.15	8.15	8.15	8.46	8.72	8.72	8.25	8.25	8.25	8.29
Dairy Produce—														
Butter, factory ..	lb.	49.50	49.30	49.30	49.50	49.50	49.50	49.30	53.30	53.10	53.10	53.10	53.10	50.97
Cheese, mild ..	"	33.56	33.56	33.56	33.56	33.56	33.86	33.86	36.19	36.19	36.19	36.13	36.69	34.74
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	63.00	66.00	66.00	72.00	75.00	75.00	75.00	60.00	60.00	60.00	60.00	66.00	66.50
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	66.61	66.94	68.11	69.00	69.00	69.00	72.13	72.78	72.67	75.33	75.67	75.78	71.09
Milk, condensed ..	14 oz. tin	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.30	23.30	23.30	23.30	23.43
" fresh, loose <sup>(b)(c)</sup> ..	quart	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
" " in bottles ..	"	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00
" " <sup>(b)(c)</sup> ..	"	March Quarter, 1955.	Quarter, 1955.	Quarter, 1955.	June Quarter, 1955.	Quarter, 1955.	Quarter, 1955.	September Quarter, 1955.	Quarter, 1955.	Quarter, 1955.	December Quarter, 1955.	Quarter, 1955.	Quarter, 1955.	44.76
Meat—														
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	45.17	45.17	45.17	45.19	45.19	45.19	44.45	44.45	44.21	44.21	44.21	44.21	44.76
" rib (without bone) <sup>(d)</sup> ..	"	34.37	34.37	34.37	34.20	34.20	34.20	34.52	34.52	34.22	34.22	34.22	34.22	34.33
" steak, rump ..	"	58.16	58.16	58.16	57.30	57.30	57.30	56.98	56.98	56.60	56.60	56.60	56.60	57.26
" chuck ..	"	30.83	30.83	30.83	29.93	29.93	29.93	30.22	30.22	30.03	30.03	30.03	30.03	30.25
" sausages ..	"	20.01	20.01	20.01	20.03	20.03	20.03	20.60	20.60	20.47	20.47	20.47	20.47	20.28
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"	37.09	37.09	37.09	35.53	35.53	35.53	34.17	34.17	36.00	36.00	36.00	36.00	35.70
" brisket ..	"	26.54	26.54	26.54	24.53	24.53	24.53	24.20	24.20	24.45	24.45	24.45	24.45	24.93
Mutton, leg ..	"	21.61	21.61	21.61	22.87	22.87	22.87	23.00	23.00	23.45	23.45	23.45	23.45	22.73
" forequarter ..	"	14.30	14.30	14.30	15.11	15.11	15.11	16.37	16.37	15.88	15.88	15.88	15.88	15.42
" loin ..	"	24.04	24.04	24.04	24.77	24.77	24.77	25.77	25.77	25.10	25.10	25.10	25.10	24.92
" chops, loin ..	"	24.17	24.17	24.17	24.70	24.70	24.70	25.83	25.83	25.10	25.10	25.10	25.10	24.95
" leg ..	"	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.97	25.97	25.97	26.78	26.78	26.30	26.30	26.30	26.30	26.01
Pork, leg ..	"	50.61	50.61	50.61	51.20	51.20	51.20	54.37	54.37	57.15	57.15	57.15	57.15	53.33
" loin ..	"	51.27	51.27	51.27	52.53	52.53	52.53	55.18	55.18	57.18	57.18	57.18	57.18	54.04
" chops ..	"	51.53	51.53	51.53	52.80	52.80	52.80	55.12	55.12	57.33	57.33	57.33	57.33	54.20

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## SECTION I.—continued.

MELBOURNE: AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES<sup>(a)</sup> OF FOOD AND GROCERIES ITEMS DURING EACH MONTH OF THE YEAR, 1955.

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Item.	Unit.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Average, 1955.
Groceries, etc.—		<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Bread <sup>(b)</sup>	2 lb.	14.00	14.00	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.50	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	14.63
Flour, plain	"	11.15	11.15	11.15	11.15	11.25	11.25	11.05	11.10	11.10	11.10	11.10	11.15	11.14
" self-raising	"	17.50	17.50	17.50	17.50	17.50	17.50	17.45	18.95	18.95	18.95	18.95	18.95	18.10
Tea	lb.	89.00	89.00	89.00	89.00	88.60	88.60	73.65	73.65	77.30	85.50	85.50	85.50	84.53
Sugar	"	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
Rice	"	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.80	11.70	11.70	11.80	11.80	11.80	11.88
Tapioca, seed	"	13.17	13.17	13.17	13.00	12.13	11.88	11.79	12.58	12.75	13.58	13.58	13.58	12.87
Jam, plum	1½ lb.	27.50	27.50	27.50	27.50	27.40	27.50	27.11	26.95	26.94	26.60	26.80	26.80	27.18
Golden Syrup	2 lb.	19.05	19.10	19.10	19.10	19.10	19.10	18.90	18.90	18.90	18.90	18.95	18.95	19.00
Oats, flaked	lb.	9.40	9.40	9.25	10.00	10.00	10.33	9.17	9.17	9.17	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.42
Raisins, seeded	"	29.50	29.39	29.39	29.39	28.72	28.28	27.44	27.56	27.56	27.61	27.83	27.83	28.38
Currants	"	22.43	22.43	22.44	22.25	22.25	22.25	22.33	22.50	22.75	23.13	23.00	24.17	22.66
Apricots, dried	"	61.70	60.00	60.67	59.83	59.83	59.83	58.20	55.17	53.42	53.42	58.00	56.75	58.07
Peaches, canned	29 oz.	33.50	33.50	33.40	33.40	33.40	33.40	32.55	32.55	32.65	32.70	33.00	33.40	33.12
Pears, canned	"	35.55	35.55	35.55	35.45	35.45	35.45	34.55	34.55	34.55	34.55	34.80	34.80	35.07
Potatoes	7 lb.	21.58	27.93	31.43	31.50	31.50	31.29	55.13	46.63	45.94	48.56	58.50	61.88	40.99
Onions, brown	lb.	8.60	7.70	7.70	6.50	6.40	6.50	7.90	8.10	8.50	8.50	18.00	14.80	9.13
Soap	"	17.97	17.97	18.10	17.97	17.97	17.97	18.04	18.04	18.04	18.04	18.04	18.04	18.02
Kerosene	quart	8.27	8.26	8.26	8.26	8.28	8.29	8.24	8.21	8.21	8.21	8.21	8.21	8.24
Dairy Produce—														
Butter, factory	lb.	49.30	49.30	49.30	49.30	49.30	49.30	48.80	53.30	53.30	53.30	53.30	53.30	50.93
Cheese, mild	"	33.00	33.00	33.00	33.00	33.00	33.00	33.00	35.10	35.10	35.70	36.30	36.30	34.13
Eggs, new laid	doz.	60.90	64.00	67.80	67.80	67.90	74.50	74.60	65.00	65.00	65.00	65.00	65.00	66.88
Bacon, rashers	lb.	63.71	63.71	63.71	66.33	68.75	72.58	74.42	74.25	77.17	77.67	78.08	78.08	71.54
Milk, condensed	14 oz. tin	22.40	22.40	22.50	22.50	22.50	22.50	22.30	22.30	22.30	22.40	22.40	22.40	22.41
" fresh, loose <sup>(b)(c)</sup>	quart	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00
" " in bottles <sup>(b)(c)</sup>	"	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00
Meat—			March Quarter, 1955.		June Quarter, 1955.		September Quarter, 1955.		December Quarter, 1955.					
Beef, sirloin	lb.		38.83		39.60		41.63		41.29					40.34
" rib (without bone) <sup>(d)</sup>	"		38.67		38.90		40.97		40.53					39.77
" steak, rump	"		51.30		52.40		56.53		57.60					54.46
" chuck	"		32.77		32.83		35.00		34.93					33.88
" sausages	"		19.56		19.56		20.60		20.21					20.21
Beef (corned) silver-side	"		38.08		38.37		40.57		41.20					39.56
" brisket	"		28.00		28.03		30.20		30.20					29.11
Mutton, leg	"		24.43		25.19		26.86		26.86					25.79
" forequarter	"		15.29		16.05		17.76		17.76					16.47
" loin	"		22.24		21.29		24.96		26.94					23.86
" chops, loin	"		23.43		23.48		27.14		26.57					25.16
" leg	"		26.57		26.76		28.52		28.24					27.52
Pork, leg	"		47.18		49.04		56.74		58.89					52.96
" loin	"		48.67		50.26		57.74		59.44					54.03
" chops	"		50.00		51.23		57.67		59.27					54.54

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## SECTION I.—continued.

## BRISBANE: AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES(a) OF FOOD AND GROCERIES ITEMS DURING EACH MONTH OF THE YEAR, 1955.

Item.	Unit.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Average, 1955.
Groceries, etc.—		<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Bread(b) ..	2 lb.	13.00	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.46
Flour, plain ..	"	9.00	9.20	9.35	9.40	9.40	9.40	9.45	9.45	9.45	9.40	9.40	9.35	9.35
self-raising ..	"	17.10	17.70	17.70	17.60	17.60	17.60	17.45	17.45	17.55	17.55	17.55	17.85	17.56
Tea ..	lb.	86.70	86.70	86.70	86.70	86.70	86.70	71.90	71.90	71.90	82.60	82.60	82.60	81.98
Sugar ..	"	8.95	8.95	8.95	8.95	8.95	8.95	8.93	8.95	8.95	8.95	8.98	8.93	8.95
Rice ..	"	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00
Tapioca, seed ..	"	13.75	13.50	13.25	13.25	13.15	13.00	13.40	13.30	12.85	12.20	12.20	12.30	13.01
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	27.60	27.30	27.25	27.25	27.25	27.10	26.95	26.95	26.95	26.95	26.95	26.75	27.08
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	17.35	17.35	17.35	17.35	17.35	17.35	17.35	17.35	17.35	17.35	17.40	17.45	17.36
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	10.00	10.17	10.00	10.08	10.75	10.75	11.50	11.25	11.25	11.25	11.17	11.17	10.78
Raisins, seeded ..	"	26.00	25.95	26.10	26.10	26.00	26.15	25.95	26.00	25.85	26.00	26.30	26.40	26.07
Currants ..	"	21.75	21.75	21.75	21.75	22.25	22.25	22.00	22.00	22.25	21.00	22.00	22.00	21.90
Apricots, dried ..	"	55.17	54.29	54.80	54.33	53.29	54.00	53.43	53.17	53.39	53.17	53.33	53.33	53.81
Peaches, canned ..	29 oz.	36.65	36.40	36.40	36.40	36.35	36.85	36.65	36.60	36.60	36.60	36.65	37.05	36.60
Pears, canned ..	"	38.15	38.05	38.15	38.15	38.15	38.25	38.05	38.35	38.35	38.35	38.40	38.50	38.24
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	33.95	46.90	52.60	51.45	48.65	49.00	54.95	58.95	64.35	49.70	39.40	50.30	50.02
Onions, brown ..	lb.	7.20	6.90	8.00	7.30	7.25	8.00	8.90	8.45	8.95	8.75	12.75	10.25	8.56
Soap ..	"	18.13	18.13	18.13	18.13	18.13	18.13	17.96	17.96	17.96	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.06
Kerosene ..	quart	8.34	8.34	8.34	8.34	8.34	8.34	8.30	8.30	8.30	8.29	8.32	8.35	8.33
Dairy Produce—														
Butter, factory ..	lb.	49.10	49.10	49.10	49.10	49.10	49.10	48.90	52.45	52.45	52.25	52.35	52.40	50.45
Cheese, mild ..	"	31.90	32.00	32.00	32.00	32.00	32.00	32.00	33.80	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	32.81
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	57.90	60.40	60.40	63.70	67.60	67.80	67.40	58.20	53.50	52.10	54.40	60.90	60.36
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	56.90	55.65	55.70	55.65	55.95	56.85	57.60	65.00	64.60	64.95	64.60	65.35	59.90
Milk, condensed ..	14 oz. tin	23.35	23.30	23.30	23.30	23.30	23.30	23.15	23.10	23.15	23.15	23.15	23.15	23.23
" fresh, loose(b)(c)	quart	15.00	15.00	15.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.50
" " in bottles (b)(c)	"	16.00	16.00	16.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.50
Meat—														
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	March Quarter, 1955.			June Quarter, 1955.			September Quarter, 1955.			December Quarter, 1955.			
" rib (without bone)(d) ..	"	34.12			32.24			31.78			31.92			32.52
" steak, rump ..	"	28.97			26.66			26.26			26.37			27.07
" chuck ..	"	40.57			39.67			39.44			39.54			39.81
" sausages ..	"	22.83			20.26			19.74			19.82			20.66
" (corned) silver-side brisket ..	"	18.87			18.80			18.83			18.80			18.83
" " ..	"	30.38			28.92			28.44			28.54			29.07
" " ..	"	24.52			21.51			20.74			20.82			21.90
Mutton, leg ..	"	19.98			21.51			22.32			22.29			21.53
" forequarter ..	"	14.79			13.52			13.04			13.01			13.59
" loin ..	"	18.28			19.51			20.12			19.80			19.43
" chops, loin ..	"	20.98			21.85			22.32			22.30			21.86
" " leg ..	"	19.98			21.51			22.32			22.30			21.53
Pork, leg ..	"	43.10			42.07			45.50			47.17			44.46
" loin ..	"	41.03			41.03			44.67			46.47			43.30
" chops ..	"	41.03			41.07			44.67			46.17			43.24

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## SECTION I.—continued.

ADELAIDE: AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES<sup>(a)</sup> OF FOOD AND GROCERIES ITEMS DURING EACH MONTH OF THE YEAR, 1955.

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Item.	Unit.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Average, 1955.
Groceries, etc.—		<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Bread <sup>(b)</sup> ..	2 lb.	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.00	13.33
Flour, plain ..	"	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.50	9.96
" self-raising ..	"	16.45	16.45	16.45	16.45	16.45	16.45	16.45	16.45	16.45	16.45	16.45	16.45	16.41
Tea ..	1 lb.	89.00	89.00	89.00	89.00	89.00	89.00	74.00	74.00	74.00	84.00	84.00	84.00	84.00
Sugar ..	"	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
Rice ..	"	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00
Tapioca, seed ..	"	13.25	13.25	13.25	12.95	13.05	13.05	13.05	12.70	12.56	12.56	12.56	12.50	12.89
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	27.25	27.25	27.25	27.25	27.25	27.25	27.15	27.15	27.15	27.15	27.30	27.45	27.24
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50
Oats, flaked ..	1 lb.	9.25	9.25	10.33	10.33	10.33	10.33	10.33	10.33	10.75	10.75	10.75	10.75	10.29
Raisins, seeded ..	"	28.50	28.50	28.50	28.50	28.50	28.50	28.50	28.50	28.50	28.50	28.50	28.50	28.50
Currants ..	"	22.95	22.95	22.95	23.20	23.25	23.30	23.50	23.65	23.70	24.20	24.25	24.38	23.52
Apricots, dried ..	"	58.10	58.10	57.45	56.95	56.20	55.50	55.61	54.22	54.22	54.22	52.50	53.00	55.51
Peaches, canned ..	29 oz.	36.75	36.75	36.75	37.15	37.95	37.90	37.90	38.00	37.95	38.10	38.05	38.05	37.61
Pears, canned ..	"	37.45	37.45	37.45	37.75	37.75	37.75	37.75	37.85	38.00	38.10	38.20	38.20	37.81
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	28.88	28.44	28.44	31.06	29.31	33.25	40.69	43.69	46.56	47.63	59.94	53.38	39.27
Onions, brown ..	1 lb.	7.30	7.30	7.30	7.60	7.60	7.50	9.33	9.83	10.33	11.25	18.00	12.67	9.67
Soap ..	"	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33
Kerosene ..	quart	7.78	7.78	7.78	7.78	7.78	7.78	7.78	7.78	7.78	7.75	7.76	7.76	7.77
Dairy Produce—														
Butter, factory ..	1 lb.	49.50	49.50	49.50	49.50	49.50	49.50	49.50	53.00	53.00	53.00	53.00	53.00	50.96
Cheese, mild ..	"	32.50	32.50	32.50	32.50	32.50	32.50	32.50	33.90	33.90	33.90	34.06	34.06	33.11
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	46.65	59.70	63.65	64.80	64.80	66.70	66.70	57.80	55.65	48.94	46.80	48.80	57.58
Bacon, rashers ..	1 lb.	65.40	65.40	65.35	65.45	65.45	65.45	65.45	65.45	67.75	67.75	67.75	67.75	66.18
Milk, condensed ..	14 oz. tin	23.35	23.35	23.35	23.35	23.35	23.35	23.35	23.35	23.35	23.35	23.35	23.35	23.35
" fresh, loose <sup>(b)(c)</sup>	quart	15.50	15.50	16.50	16.50	16.50	16.50	16.50	16.50	16.50	16.50	16.50	16.50	16.33
" " in bottles	"													
" " <sup>(b)(c)</sup>	"	17.00	17.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	17.83
Meat—														
Beef, sirloin ..	1 lb.	March Quarter, 1955.			June Quarter, 1955.			September Quarter, 1955.			December Quarter, 1955.			
" rib (without	"	31.87			31.90			31.90			30.27			31.49
" bone <sup>(d)</sup> ..	"	35.20			35.20			35.30			33.53			34.81
" steak, rump ..	"	49.97			50.30			50.30			49.00			49.89
" chuck ..	"	30.07			30.20			30.20			28.93			29.85
" sausages ..	"	17.96			18.00			18.00			17.52			17.87
Beef (corned) silver-	"													
" side ..	"	35.73			36.00			35.80			34.87			35.60
" brisket ..	"	29.53			29.60			29.60			28.93			29.42
Mutton, leg ..	"	22.63			24.31			24.47			24.04			23.86
" forequarter ..	"	11.87			12.04			12.23			12.67			12.20
" loin ..	"	21.97			22.24			22.70			23.02			22.48
" chops, loin ..	"	22.67			22.83			23.17			23.29			22.99
" leg ..	"	23.37			23.56			23.43			23.67			23.51
Pork, leg ..	"	49.17			49.70			49.28			52.43			50.15
" loin ..	"	49.30			49.70			49.48			52.40			50.22
" chops ..	"	49.97			50.13			49.63			52.47			50.55

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## SECTION I.—continued.

PERTH: AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES<sup>(a)</sup> OF FOOD AND GROCERIES ITEMS DURING EACH MONTH OF THE YEAR, 1955.

Item.	Unit.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Average, 1955.
Groceries, etc.—		<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Bread <sup>(b)</sup> ..	2 lb.	14.00	14.00	14.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.58
Flour, plain ..	"	11.90	13.10	13.10	13.50	13.60	13.60	13.60	13.60	13.50	13.60	13.50	13.60	13.35
self-raising ..	"	19.20	19.20	19.20	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.55	19.65	19.65	19.65	19.65	19.65	19.49
Tea ..	lb.	92.85	92.85	92.85	92.85	91.60	91.60	76.20	76.20	76.80	85.60	86.80	86.80	86.92
Sugar ..	"	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
Rice ..	"	11.85	11.75	11.70	11.75	11.75	11.75	11.75	11.70	11.65	11.60	11.65	11.65	11.71
Tapioca, seed ..	"	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.20	15.20	15.60	15.60	15.13
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	31.85	31.85	31.70	31.85	31.80	31.50	31.05	31.06	32.13	31.80	31.80	31.80	31.68
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	19.85	19.85	19.85	19.85	19.85	19.95	19.85	19.85	19.95	19.85	19.85	19.85	19.87
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	9.29	9.43	10.07	12.07	11.86	11.71	11.79	11.79	11.79	11.36	11.14	11.14	11.12
Raisins, seeded ..	"	30.33	30.17	30.33	30.25	30.25	29.75	29.75	30.10	30.33	29.75	29.83	29.70	30.05
Currants ..	"	24.11	24.20	24.20	24.50	24.20	24.05	24.05	23.95	24.15	24.25	23.90	24.00	24.13
Apricots, dried ..	"	63.33	63.33	63.33	63.67	62.86	60.00	60.38	60.38	60.38	60.38	59.00	60.50	61.46
Peaches, canned ..	29 oz.	39.65	39.60	39.20	38.50	39.55	39.50	39.25	39.25	39.15	39.70	39.70	39.55	39.38
Pears, canned ..	"	40.80	40.80	40.40	39.70	40.85	40.75	40.60	40.60	40.40	41.00	41.00	40.50	40.62
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	27.75	27.75	27.75	36.88	36.88	36.88	36.88	36.88	36.88	36.88	31.00	31.00	33.62
Onions, brown ..	lb.	7.69	7.75	7.75	7.94	7.63	7.88	9.44	10.44	10.25	10.31	10.44	10.63	9.01
Soap ..	"	19.30	19.30	19.30	19.30	19.30	19.30	19.30	19.30	19.30	19.30	19.30	19.30	19.30
Kerosene ..	quart	13.03	13.03	13.03	13.03	13.03	13.03	13.03	13.03	13.03	13.03	13.05	13.05	13.03
Dairy Produce—														
Butter, factory ..	lb.	49.10	48.50	48.50	48.20	48.20	48.20	48.30	52.60	52.90	52.90	52.90	52.90	50.27
Cheese, mild ..	"	38.13	38.70	38.33	38.29	38.10	37.70	38.10	40.86	41.64	41.64	41.64	41.64	39.56
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	57.20	61.40	65.70	65.70	65.70	68.70	72.80	62.40	55.20	55.10	55.00	57.70	61.88
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	65.88	65.88	65.88	65.88	65.63	65.33	64.89	64.89	64.89	65.11	66.17	67.50	65.66
Milk, condensed ..	14 oz. tin	23.10	23.10	23.10	23.10	22.85	23.10	23.10	23.10	22.80	22.45	22.35	22.55	22.89
" fresh, loose <sup>(b)(c)</sup>	quart	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00
" " in bottles	"													
" " <sup>(b)(c)</sup>	"	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00
Meat—														
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.		March Quarter, 1955.			June Quarter, 1955.			September Quarter, 1955			December Quarter, 1955.		39.02
" rib (without	"		38.52			39.40			39.10			39.07		
" rib (bone) <sup>(d)</sup> ..	"		39.41			40.37			39.78			40.04		39.90
" steak, rump ..	"		53.97			55.37			55.13			55.13		54.90
" " chuck ..	"		35.17			35.40			34.93			35.27		35.19
" sausages ..	"		22.13			21.98			21.47			21.65		21.81
" (corned) silver-	"													
" side	"		38.33			38.83			37.43			37.83		38.11
" brisket	"		30.13			30.43			29.43			29.57		29.89
Mutton, leg ..	"		28.33			29.70			28.37			28.00		28.60
" forequarter ..	"		17.60			18.30			17.07			17.33		17.58
" loin ..	"		27.87			29.10			27.90			27.83		28.18
" chops, loin ..	"		27.87			29.10			27.97			27.83		28.19
" leg ..	"		27.87			29.10			27.97			27.83		28.19
Pork, leg ..	"		48.90			50.01			50.33			53.89		50.78
" loin ..	"		48.77			49.79			50.43			53.89		50.72
" chops ..	"		48.77			49.79			50.50			53.89		50.74

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## SECTION I.—continued.

## HOBART: AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES(a) OF FOOD AND GROCERIES ITEMS DURING EACH MONTH OF THE YEAR, 1955.

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Item.	Unit.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Average, 1955.
<i>Groceries, etc.—</i>														
Bread(b) ..	2 lb.	d. 14.00	d. 14.00	d. 14.00	d. 14.50	d. 14.50	d. 14.50	d. 14.50	d. 14.50	d. 14.50	d. 14.50	d. 14.50	d. 14.50	d. 14.38
Flour, plain ..	"	10.60	10.60	10.60	10.60	10.60	11.90	11.90	11.90	11.90	11.90	11.90	11.90	11.36
" self-raising ..	"	19.10	19.10	19.10	19.10	19.10	19.10	19.10	19.10	18.90	19.00	19.05	19.05	19.07
Tea ..	lb.	91.00	91.00	91.00	91.00	91.00	91.00	76.50	76.40	85.25	90.20	90.50	90.45	87.94
Sugar ..	"	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
Rice ..	"	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00
Tapioca, seed ..	"	15.90	16.63	14.30	13.55	13.90	15.39	15.50	17.00	16.95	17.25	17.25	17.25	15.91
Jam, plum ..	14 lb.	28.25	28.25	28.25	28.25	28.15	28.15	28.10	28.10	28.10	28.10	28.10	28.10	28.16
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	20.15	20.15	20.10	20.15	20.15	20.25	20.25	20.85	20.85	20.95	20.95	20.95	20.48
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	10.10	9.50	9.50	9.75	11.20	11.80	11.80	11.80	11.80	11.80	11.80	11.80	11.05
Raisins, seeded ..	"	31.50	30.95	31.00	31.00	30.40	30.45	30.35	30.45	30.65	30.75	31.05	31.05	30.80
Currants ..	"	25.58	25.50	25.50	25.50	25.20	26.71	26.86	26.37	26.57	26.71	27.00	27.08	26.26
Apricots, dried ..	"	58.90	58.90	58.80	58.80	58.20	58.20	57.00	58.00	58.29	58.29	58.00	58.00	58.32
Peaches, canned ..	29 oz.	38.65	38.65	38.75	38.75	38.80	39.05	39.05	39.05	39.00	39.15	39.25	39.25	38.95
Pears, canned ..	"	42.10	42.10	42.10	42.10	42.90	42.90	43.80	43.80	43.75	43.75	44.15	44.15	43.13
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	48.13	43.00	37.50	45.00	44.00	45.00	48.00	53.00	50.50	49.50	55.00	75.00	49.47
Onions, brown ..	lb.	12.43	9.75	9.75	9.63	9.38	9.63	9.88	11.13	11.50	12.86	18.00	18.57	11.88
Soap ..	lb.	18.33	18.33	18.26	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.26	18.33	18.33	18.32
Kerosene ..	quart	13.55	13.04	13.16	13.16	13.16	13.16	13.30	13.30	13.30	13.39	13.39	13.39	13.28
<i>Dairy Produce—</i>														
Butter, factory ..	lb.	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	54.85	54.95	54.90	54.95	54.95	52.05
Cheese, mild ..	"	32.91	33.32	33.22	34.38	34.49	34.49	34.49	37.91	38.20	38.08	38.61	38.90	35.76
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	66.50	66.50	71.50	71.50	71.50	74.00	71.50	71.50	54.50	54.50	63.78	66.50	66.98
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	67.80	64.70	65.10	65.10	65.30	67.60	70.20	70.60	70.90	73.00	73.00	72.60	68.83
Milk, condensed ..	14 oz tin	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50
" fresh, toise(b)(c) ..	quart	16.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	18.76
" " (b)(c) ..	"	17.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	19.75
<i>Meat—</i>														
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	March Quarter, 1955.			June Quarter, 1955.			September Quarter, 1955.			December Quarter, 1955.			40.40
" rib (without bone)(d) ..	"	39.81			40.00			40.63			41.17			39.66
" steak, rump ..	"	39.15			39.20			39.70			40.60			56.83
" chuck ..	"	55.96			56.17			56.87			58.33			35.18
" sausages ..	"	35.07			34.83			35.00			35.80			23.01
" (corned) silver-side ..	"	23.15			22.80			22.87			23.20			40.74
" brisket ..	"	40.04			40.30			40.57			42.03			30.97
Mutton, leg ..	"	31.01			30.70			30.93			31.23			28.54
" forequarter ..	"	27.16			27.53			28.89			30.59			15.65
" loin ..	"	13.70			14.76			16.95			17.17			21.81
" chops, loin ..	lb.	19.62			21.06			22.42			24.13			22.66
" leg ..	"	20.26			21.47			23.87			25.04			25.85
Pork, leg ..	"	24.47			25.54			27.35			26.05			50.19
" loin ..	"	48.71			47.60			49.13			55.30			50.37
" chops ..	"	48.63			47.63			49.50			55.70			50.75
" ..	"	48.98			48.30			49.70			56.00			

(a) In some cases the averages shown are price relatives.

(b) Delivered.

(c) Prices published for this year should not be compared, without inquiry, with those prices or price relatives published for earlier years.

(d) Amounts shown for previous years related to rib (with bone).

APPENDIX.

## SECTION I.—continued.

## SYDNEY: AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES(a) OF FOOD AND GROCERIES ITEMS DURING EACH MONTH OF THE YEAR, 1956.

Item.	Unit.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Average, 1956.
Groceries, etc.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread(b) ..	2 lb.	13.80	13.80	13.80	13.80	13.80	13.80	14.80	14.80	14.80	14.80	14.80	15.30	14.34
Flour, plain ..	"	13.19	13.36	13.36	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.75	14.56	14.56	14.56	14.56	14.69	13.92
" self-raising ..	"	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.45	20.85	20.85	20.85	20.85	20.35	20.31
Tea ..	lb	84.65	84.65	83.65	82.85	82.85	82.85	80.85	80.50	80.50	80.40	79.70	80.10	81.96
Sugar ..	"	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.67
Rice ..	"	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00
Tapioca, seed ..	14 lb.	30.25	30.65	30.90	30.90	30.90	30.90	30.90	19.28	21.28	22.72	24.70	25.50	17.74
Jam, plum ..	2 lb.	19.05	19.05	19.05	19.05	19.40	20.45	20.45	20.45	32.20	32.85	34.86	34.38	31.77
Golden Syrup ..	"	11.00	11.00	11.00	10.67	10.08	10.08	10.07	10.07	10.07	10.07	10.10	10.20	10.38
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	30.60	30.30	30.30	30.30	30.30	30.30	30.30	30.30	30.30	30.30	31.00	31.00	30.44
Raisins, seeded ..	"	25.50	25.50	25.50	25.40	25.40	25.40	25.40	25.40	25.40	25.40	25.75	25.75	25.48
Currants ..	"	63.00	63.00	63.00	63.00	63.00	63.00	63.30	64.50	64.13	64.13	65.50	65.25	63.73
Apricots, dried ..	29 oz.	38.65	40.60	40.90	40.95	40.95	40.95	40.90	40.90	40.90	40.90	40.90	40.90	40.70
Peaches, canned ..	"	41.70	43.20	43.55	43.55	43.55	43.55	43.55	43.55	43.55	43.55	43.55	43.55	43.37
Pears, canned ..	"	64.00	65.60	66.90	77.88	77.45	108.88	114.80	119.00	148.40	135.00	64.35	64.35	90.43
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	11.90	10.70	10.20	10.20	10.50	11.40	16.10	17.20	20.50	15.60	10.80	9.00	12.84
Onions, brown ..	lb.	18.20	18.20	18.20	18.20	18.20	18.20	18.20	18.20	18.20	18.20	18.20	18.20	18.20
Soap ..	quart	8.25	8.25	8.25	8.25	8.25	8.25	8.25	8.65	8.67	8.67	8.67	8.67	8.42
Kerosene ..	"	8.25	8.25	8.25	8.25	8.25	8.25	8.25	8.65	8.67	8.67	8.67	8.67	8.42
Dairy Produce—														
Butter, factory ..	lb.	53.10	53.10	53.10	53.10	53.10	53.10	54.85	54.70	54.70	54.35	54.15	54.15	53.79
Cheese, mild ..	"	36.69	36.69	37.13	37.13	37.13	37.38	38.50	38.75	38.75	39.00	39.00	39.88	38.00
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	69.00	69.00	75.00	75.00	75.00	75.00	75.00	75.00	66.00	66.00	66.00	72.00	71.50
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	77.33	76.67	76.67	78.17	80.28	80.61	84.17	86.50	87.94	88.17	88.17	83.63	82.78
Milk, condensed ..	14 oz. tin	23.30	23.30	23.30	23.30	23.30	23.30	24.30	24.30	24.30	24.30	23.60	23.60	23.68
" fresh, loose(b) ..	quart	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
" " in bottles ..	"	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
" (b) ..	"	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00
Meat—			March Quarter, 1956.		June Quarter, 1956.		September Quarter, 1956.		December Quarter, 1956.					
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.		44.10		45.55		46.00		45.53					45.30
" rib (without bone) ..	"		34.57		35.52		35.93		35.40					35.36
" steak, rump ..	"		56.83		59.17		59.51		59.20					58.68
" " chuck ..	"		29.95		30.57		30.70		30.07					30.32
" sausages ..	"		20.67		21.25		22.80		23.13					21.96
" (corned) silver-side brisket ..	"		36.52		35.85		35.00		35.53					35.73
" " " ..	"		25.18		25.43		24.30		25.13					25.01
Mutton, leg ..	"		24.12		26.27		27.00		26.50					25.97
" forequarter ..	"		15.93		17.78		19.45		18.15					17.83
" loin ..	"		24.83		27.57		29.37		27.81					27.40
" chops, loin ..	"		25.15		27.65		29.53		28.07					27.60
" " leg ..	"		26.90		29.20		31.20		30.00					29.33
Pork, leg ..	"		57.25		58.34		61.57		63.26					60.11
" loin ..	"		57.25		58.76		62.07		62.27					60.09
" chops ..	"		56.78		58.33		62.27		62.33					59.93

(a) In some cases the averages shown are price relatives.

(b) Delivered.



## SECTION I.—continued.

MELBOURNE: AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES<sup>(a)</sup> OF FOOD AND GROCERIES ITEMS DURING EACH MONTH OF THE YEAR, 1956.

Item.	Unit.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Average, 1956.
Groceries, etc.—		<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Bread <sup>(b)</sup> ..	2 lb.	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.50	15.50	15.50	15.50	15.17
Flour, plain ..	"	11.05	11.05	11.05	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.22	11.30	11.30	11.45	11.12
" self-raising ..	"	18.95	18.95	18.95	18.95	18.95	18.95	18.95	18.95	19.40	19.40	19.45	19.95	19.15
Tea ..	lb.	85.35	85.30	83.25	83.25	83.25	83.25	81.35	81.35	81.35	81.10	81.10	81.10	82.58
Sugar ..	"	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.30	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.61
Rice ..	"	11.80	11.80	11.80	11.80	11.80	11.80	11.80	11.80	11.80	11.75	11.75	11.75	11.79
Tapioca, seed ..	"	13.75	13.83	13.83	14.50	14.79	14.79	14.93	14.93	18.13	20.56	21.86	24.29	16.68
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	27.15	27.15	27.20	27.20	27.20	27.20	27.20	27.20	27.20	27.00	27.00	27.35	27.17
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	18.95	18.95	18.95	18.95	18.95	20.30	20.60	20.60	20.60	20.50	20.50	20.50	19.86
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	9.00	9.00	8.83	8.83	8.83	8.83	8.83	8.50	8.50	9.13	9.13	9.25	8.89
Raisins, seeded ..	"	27.78	27.78	27.78	27.50	27.50	27.50	27.50	27.50	27.50	28.31	28.31	28.29	27.77
Currants ..	"	24.17	24.25	24.25	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.63	24.50	24.50	23.86
Apricots, dried ..	"	56.33	56.33	56.29	57.25	57.25	57.25	57.50	57.50	57.50	57.71	57.71	57.71	57.19
Peaches, canned ..	29 oz.	33.45	34.06	34.50	34.78	35.28	35.75	35.75	35.75	35.90	35.80	35.80	35.75	35.21
Pears, canned ..	"	34.80	35.17	35.90	36.35	37.30	37.60	37.60	37.60	37.65	37.40	37.40	37.50	36.86
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	61.25	58.56	57.31	73.06	70.88	101.94	106.63	126.22	155.53	154.46	107.64	35.14	92.39
Onions, brown ..	lb.	12.75	12.00	8.00	8.10	8.20	9.70	14.40	16.25	23.67	17.75	17.00	11.50	13.28
Soap ..	"	18.04	18.04	18.04	18.04	18.04	18.04	18.04	18.04	18.04	18.11	18.26	18.26	18.08
Kerosene ..	quart	8.24	8.22	8.21	8.22	8.22	8.22	8.22	8.60	8.60	8.63	8.63	8.63	8.39
Dairy Produce—														
Butter, factory ..	lb.	53.30	53.30	53.30	53.30	53.15	53.10	54.70	54.85	54.85	54.60	54.60	54.60	53.97
Cheese, mild ..	"	36.63	36.63	36.63	37.50	37.50	37.50	39.00	39.00	39.17	39.50	39.50	39.50	38.17
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	68.00	68.00	68.00	75.00	75.00	75.00	75.00	65.00	65.00	64.80	64.80	64.80	69.03
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	78.08	79.25	79.92	79.92	83.17	84.00	84.00	85.33	85.33	86.33	86.33	86.33	83.17
Milk, condensed ..	14 oz. tin	22.40	22.40	22.40	22.40	22.40	22.30	22.80	23.00	23.15	22.85	22.85	22.85	22.65
" fresh, loose <sup>(b)</sup> ..	quart	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
" " in bottles ..	"	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00
Meat—														
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	March Quarter, 1956.			June Quarter, 1956.			September Quarter, 1956.			December Quarter, 1956.			
" rib (without ..	"	41.29			42.50			42.30			41.80			41.97
" " (bone) ..	"	41.13			41.93			41.73			41.27			41.52
" steak, rump ..	"	57.80			60.67			59.97			60.10			59.64
" " chuck ..	"	34.90			35.43			35.43			34.83			35.15
" sausages ..	"	21.52			23.29			24.33			24.79			23.48
" (corned) silver- ..	"	41.20			41.10			40.83			40.93			41.02
" " brisket ..	"	29.83			29.27			29.30			28.83			29.31
Mutton, leg ..	"	26.29			29.85			28.81			28.09			28.26
" forequarter ..	"	16.45			19.50			18.61			18.61			18.29
" loin ..	"	26.45			27.43			27.53			27.10			27.13
" chops, loin ..	"	26.24			29.19			28.53			27.76			27.93
" " leg ..	"	28.19			30.53			30.05			29.90			29.67
Pork, leg ..	"	60.92			61.38			63.52			64.96			62.70
" loin ..	"	61.52			62.26			64.29			66.52			63.65
" chops ..	"	60.87			61.50			63.47			66.60			63.11

(a) In some cases the averages shown are price relatives.

(b) Delivered.

## SECTION I.—continued.

## BRISBANE: AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES(a) OF FOOD AND GROCERIES ITEMS DURING EACH MONTH OF THE YEAR, 1956.

Item.	Unit.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Average, 1956.
<i>Groceries, etc.—</i>														
Bread(b) ..	2 lb.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Flour, plain ..	"	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.50	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	13.71
" self-raising ..	"	9.40	9.40	9.45	9.45	9.45	9.45	9.45	9.50	9.50	9.50	9.50	9.50	9.46
Tea ..	lb.	17.55	17.55	17.55	17.55	17.55	17.55	17.55	17.55	17.55	17.55	17.55	17.55	17.58
Sugar ..	"	82.60	82.60	79.85	79.85	79.85	79.85	77.85	77.90	77.80	77.80	77.80	77.80	79.30
Rice ..	"	8.95	8.95	8.95	8.95	8.95	9.97	9.97	9.97	9.97	9.97	9.97	9.97	9.54
Tapioca, seed ..	"	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	12.30	12.25	12.55	12.45	12.55	12.55	12.45	13.00	15.17	16.00	16.00	16.00	13.61
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	26.90	26.90	26.90	27.35	27.40	27.40	27.75	27.85	27.95	28.15	28.50	28.50	27.63
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	17.45	17.45	17.45	17.45	17.45	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	18.35
Raisins, seeded ..	"	11.17	11.17	11.17	11.17	10.88	10.88	10.88	10.88	10.88	10.88	10.88	10.88	10.98
Currants ..	"	26.05	26.05	25.90	26.05	26.05	26.05	26.05	26.05	26.30	26.30	26.30	26.30	26.12
Apricots, dried ..	"	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00
Peaches, canned ..	29 oz.	51.50	51.50	55.00	55.67	56.69	56.69	56.50	56.50	56.50	58.88	58.88	58.88	56.10
Pears, canned ..	"	37.00	37.00	37.35	38.00	38.30	38.40	38.55	38.55	38.55	38.55	38.55	38.60	38.13
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	38.50	38.50	38.90	39.80	40.05	40.15	40.15	40.30	40.30	40.30	40.30	40.30	39.80
Onions, brown ..	lb.	64.10	77.25	71.30	75.90	73.40	90.80	102.20	112.75	132.45	138.15	51.80	37.10	85.60
Soap ..	quart	11.10	10.70	9.85	9.50	9.40	10.25	15.35	16.05	16.55	13.65	9.25	7.65	11.61
Kerosene ..	quart	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00
<i>Dairy Produce—</i>														
Butter, factory ..	lb.	8.37	8.37	8.37	8.37	8.37	8.37	8.37	8.37	8.37	8.37	8.37	8.37	8.37
Cheese, mild ..	"	52.40	52.40	52.40	52.40	52.40	52.40	54.10	54.10	54.10	54.10	54.10	54.10	53.25
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	33.80	33.80	33.80	33.80	34.00	34.00	35.00	35.00	35.00	35.00	35.00	35.00	34.43
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	60.90	64.10	67.40	67.20	67.60	67.40	58.60	58.60	58.50	57.78	58.20	58.20	62.04
Milk, condensed ..	14 oz tin	65.60	67.05	67.60	68.10	71.25	72.40	74.00	76.06	77.56	77.56	77.81	78.06	72.75
" fresh, loose(b) ..	quart	23.15	23.15	23.15	23.20	23.20	23.20	23.75	24.20	24.20	24.20	24.05	24.05	23.63
" " in bottles (b) ..	"	15.00	15.00	15.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	15.00	15.00	16.00	15.58
<i>Meat—</i>														
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	March Quarter, 1956.			June Quarter, 1956.			September Quarter, 1956.			December Quarter, 1956.			
" rib (without bone) ..	"	32.14			32.22			31.84			31.89			32.02
" steak, rump ..	"	26.55			26.61			26.30			26.34			26.45
" " chuck ..	"	39.74			39.78			39.50			39.49			39.63
" sausages ..	"	19.96			20.00			19.78			19.79			19.88
" (corned) silver-side ..	"	18.80			18.80			18.80			18.80			18.80
" " brisket ..	"	28.74			28.78			28.50			28.49			28.63
Mutton, leg ..	"	20.96			21.00			20.78			20.76			20.88
" " forequarter ..	"	22.34			22.17			22.55			22.64			22.43
" " loin ..	"	12.98			12.77			13.11			13.29			13.04
" " chops, loin ..	"	19.84			19.67			20.09			20.81			20.10
" " leg ..	"	22.34			22.17			22.55			22.64			22.43
Pork, leg ..	"	22.34			22.17			22.55			22.64			22.43
" " loin ..	"	50.27			50.23			54.67			55.33			52.63
" " chops ..	"	49.10			48.93			53.57			54.03			51.41
" " ..	"	49.07			48.97			53.57			54.07			51.42

(a) In some cases the averages shown are price relatives.

(b) Delivered.

## SECTION I.—continued.

ADELAIDE: AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES<sup>(a)</sup> OF FOOD AND GROCERIES ITEMS DURING EACH MONTH OF THE YEAR, 1956.

Item.	Unit.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Average, 1956.
Groceries, etc.—		<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Bread <sup>(b)</sup> ..	2 lb.	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00
Flour, plain ..	"	9.50	9.50	9.50	9.50	9.55	9.55	9.55	9.55	9.55	9.50	9.50	9.50	9.52
" self-raising ..	"	15.95	15.95	15.95	16.00	15.90	15.90	15.90	15.90	15.85	15.85	15.95	16.05	15.93
Tea ..	lb.	84.00	84.00	80.00	80.00	80.00	80.00	78.00	78.00	78.00	78.00	78.00	78.00	79.67
Sugar ..	"	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.67
Rice ..	"	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00
Tapioca, seed ..	"	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.55	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50
Jam, plum ..	1/4 lb.	27.45	27.45	27.75	28.00	28.33	28.83	29.00	29.00	29.00	29.00	29.00	29.00	28.48
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	20.10	20.10	20.10	20.10	20.10	20.05	20.05	19.43
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	10.75	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.15
Raisins, seeded ..	"	28.50	28.50	28.50	28.50	28.50	28.50	28.50	28.50	28.50	28.50	28.50	28.50	28.50
Currants ..	"	24.40	24.40	24.38	24.44	24.70	24.70	24.70	24.70	24.70	24.60	24.60	24.60	24.58
Apricots, dried ..	"	53.00	52.50	57.38	58.50	58.50	58.50	58.50	58.50	58.50	58.50	58.50	58.50	57.45
Peaches, canned ..	29 oz.	38.55	38.55	39.25	39.40	39.55	39.75	40.40	40.40	40.40	40.40	40.40	40.40	39.79
Pears, canned ..	"	38.65	38.65	38.95	39.30	39.80	40.00	40.50	40.50	40.50	40.80	40.80	40.80	39.23
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	49.75	48.88	38.81	56.31	59.50	77.00	84.88	98.44	147.88	146.00	83.13	36.17	77.23
Onions, brown ..	lb.	12.00	10.40	9.10	9.17	9.20	10.40	11.60	15.67	25.50	21.75	19.00	8.40	13.52
Soap ..	"	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33
Kerosene ..	quart	7.76	7.76	7.76	7.76	7.75	7.75	7.75	7.75	7.75	7.75	8.23	8.24	7.83
Dairy Produce—														
Butter, factory ..	lb.	53.00	53.00	53.00	53.00	53.00	53.00	54.50	54.50	54.50	54.50	54.50	54.50	53.75
Cheese, mild ..	"	34.06	34.06	34.06	34.06	34.06	34.06	35.17	35.11	35.11	35.11	35.11	35.11	34.59
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	52.15	58.45	61.50	66.65	66.70	66.75	66.75	60.75	56.80	47.65	47.70	49.70	58.46
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	67.75	67.75	67.83	71.15	73.90	73.90	73.90	76.70	75.00	74.90	75.00	75.00	72.73
Milk, condensed ..	14 oz. tin	23.35	23.35	23.35	23.35	23.35	23.35	23.35	23.35	23.35	23.85	23.85	23.85	23.49
" fresh, loose <sup>(b)</sup> ..	quart	16.50	16.50	16.50	16.50	16.50	16.50	16.50	16.50	16.50	16.50	16.50	16.50	16.50
" " in bottles ..	"	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00
Meat—														
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	March Quarter, 1956.			June Quarter, 1956.			September Quarter, 1956.			December Quarter, 1956.			30.76
" rib (without bone) ..	"	29.40			31.60			31.60			30.43			30.76
" steak, rump ..	"	32.40			34.60			34.60			33.17			33.69
" " chuck ..	"	48.10			51.40			51.40			50.67			50.39
" sausages ..	"	27.27			30.10			30.00			28.77			29.04
" (corned) silver-side ..	"	16.83			18.00			18.00			17.33			17.55
" " brisket ..	"	34.93			36.20			36.20			35.23			35.64
Mutton, leg ..	"	28.27			29.90			29.90			28.93			29.25
" " forequarter ..	"	24.48			25.43			25.23			25.23			25.09
" " loin ..	"	13.29			14.35			14.28			14.25			14.04
" " chops, loin ..	"	23.59			24.07			23.83			23.80			23.82
" " leg ..	"	24.30			25.97			25.63			24.60			25.13
Pork, leg ..	"	24.89			26.03			26.03			25.20			25.54
" " loin ..	"	57.71			60.17			59.57			59.00			59.11
" " chops ..	"	57.91			60.47			59.73			59.00			59.28
" " ..	"	58.22			60.70			59.93			59.00			59.46

(a) In some cases the averages shown are price relatives.

(b) Delivered.

## SECTION I.—continued.

PERTH: AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES<sup>(a)</sup> OF FOOD AND GROCERIES ITEMS DURING EACH MONTH OF THE YEAR, 1956.

Item.	Unit.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Average, 1956.
Groceries, etc.—		<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Bread <sup>(b)</sup> ..	2 lb.	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.50	15.00	15.00	15.50	15.50	15.50	15.50	14.92
Flour, plain ..	"	13.70	13.70	13.70	13.70	13.70	13.70	13.70	13.70	13.70	13.80	13.80	13.80	13.73
" self-raising ..	"	19.55	19.40	19.20	19.20	19.20	19.20	19.25	19.20	19.40	19.50	19.50	19.60	19.35
Tea ..	lb.	86.80	86.20	84.60	84.60	84.40	84.40	82.30	82.30	82.30	82.30	82.30	82.30	83.73
Sugar ..	"	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.40	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.62
Rice ..	"	11.65	11.65	11.65	11.50	11.75	11.75	11.75	11.75	11.75	11.75	11.95	12.05	11.75
Tapioca, seed ..	"	15.33	15.50	15.75	15.75	15.75	17.00	17.50	18.00	18.00	23.17	26.75	26.75	18.77
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	31.80	31.90	31.90	31.90	32.10	33.35	34.10	34.80	34.60	34.40	34.45	34.45	33.31
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	19.85	19.85	19.85	19.85	19.85	21.45	21.60	21.65	21.50	21.50	21.50	21.60	20.84
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	11.14	11.14	10.79	10.79	9.43	9.86	9.71	9.07	9.14	9.29	9.50	9.79	9.97
Raisins, seeded ..	"	30.30	30.30	30.30	30.25	30.20	30.20	30.17	30.08	30.00	30.08	30.10	30.70	30.22
Currants ..	"	23.25	23.45	23.50	23.50	24.45	24.40	24.40	24.50	24.50	24.50	24.55	24.55	24.13
Apricots, dried ..	"	61.50	61.60	60.50	61.00	60.57	60.29	60.29	60.80	60.80	61.00	61.50	61.50	60.95
Peaches, canned ..	29 oz.	39.80	39.85	39.85	39.75	39.90	39.90	40.30	41.35	41.75	42.00	42.00	42.50	40.75
Pears, canned ..	"	39.85	40.00	42.06	41.67	41.80	41.80	41.80	41.95	42.20	42.45	42.45	42.65	41.72
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	31.00	31.00	31.00	37.00	37.00	37.00	37.00	37.00	37.00	43.13	44.00	44.00	37.18
Onions, brown ..	lb.	8.13	8.25	8.00	8.81	9.31	10.00	13.94	19.86	26.17	13.40	10.43	10.00	12.19
Soap ..	"	19.30	19.30	19.30	19.30	19.26	19.26	19.26	19.26	19.26	19.26	19.26	19.26	19.27
Kerosene ..	quart	13.05	13.05	13.05	13.05	13.05	13.05	13.05	13.17	13.17	13.40	13.47	13.48	13.19
Dairy Produce—														
Butter, factory ..	lb.	52.90	52.90	52.90	52.90	52.90	52.90	54.70	54.70	54.70	54.70	54.70	54.70	53.80
Cheese, mild ..	"	42.00	42.25	42.25	42.50	42.50	42.25	44.00	44.64	44.67	44.67	44.67	44.67	43.42
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	60.00	63.90	66.90	66.90	66.90	66.90	66.90	60.00	59.00	58.67	58.80	58.80	62.81
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	67.50	67.39	71.67	71.78	75.90	77.14	77.14	77.14	81.43	81.43	81.43	81.43	75.95
Milk, condensed ..	14 oz. tin	22.45	22.35	22.25	22.55	22.55	22.40	22.85	23.30	23.40	22.55	22.45	22.70	22.65
" fresh, loose <sup>(b)</sup> ..	quart	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
" " in bottles ..	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
" " <sup>(b)</sup> ..	"	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	18.25
Meat—														
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	March Quarter, 1956.			June Quarter, 1956.			September Quarter, 1956.			December Quarter, 1956.			40.32
" rib (without bone) ..	"	39.55			40.56			40.89			40.26			40.32
" steak, rump ..	"	40.78			41.48			41.92			40.44			41.16
" chuck ..	"	55.67			56.80			57.03			56.03			56.38
" sausages ..	"	35.07			36.33			36.63			34.77			35.70
" (corned) silver-side ..	"	21.97			22.95			23.03			22.78			22.68
" " briskeet ..	"	38.90			39.33			39.33			39.10			39.17
Mutton, leg ..	"	30.53			30.30			30.83			30.20			30.20
" forequarter ..	"	31.40			31.37			30.50			26.93			30.05
" loin ..	"	19.17			19.67			20.04			16.60			18.87
" chops, loin ..	"	30.97			30.93			29.63			26.85			29.60
" " leg ..	"	30.97			30.93			29.87			26.93			29.68
Pork, leg ..	"	30.97			30.93			29.87			27.07			29.71
" loin ..	"	58.31			60.12			60.92			59.55			59.73
" chops ..	"	58.38			60.46			61.27			59.98			60.02
" " ..	"	58.38			60.46			61.50			60.25			60.15

(a) In some cases the averages shown are price relatives.

(b) Delivered.

SECTION I.—continued.

HOBART: AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES<sup>(a)</sup> OF FOOD AND GROCERIES ITEMS DURING EACH MONTH OF THE YEAR, 1956.

Item.	Unit.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Average, 1956.
Groceries, etc.—		<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Bread <sup>(b)</sup> ..	2 lb.	14.50	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	14.96
Flour, plain ..	"	11.90	11.90	11.90	11.90	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.97
" self-raising ..	"	19.00	19.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	20.67
Tea ..	lb.	90.45	90.45	88.45	88.45	88.45	88.45	86.45	86.45	86.45	86.45	86.45	86.40	87.78
Sugar ..	"	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.00
Rice ..	"	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00
Tapioca, seed ..	"	16.80	16.80	16.80	16.80	16.90	17.05	17.00	17.80	19.61	21.22	22.11	22.86	18.48
Jam, plum ..	14 lb.	28.20	30.80	31.60	31.90	32.20	32.15	32.15	33.40	33.45	33.45	33.60	33.70	32.22
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	20.95	20.95	20.95	20.95	20.95	22.85	22.95	22.95	22.95	22.95	22.95	22.95	22.11
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	11.13	11.13	11.13	11.33	11.33	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.38
Raisins, seeded ..	"	31.05	30.70	30.70	30.70	30.70	30.80	30.80	30.00	30.00	29.90	29.90	30.15	30.45
Currants ..	"	27.00	27.00	27.13	27.13	27.11	27.06	27.06	27.06	27.06	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.05
Apricots, dried ..	"	58.60	57.00	59.00	58.25	59.50	59.33	60.29	60.43	60.43	60.80	60.80	60.80	59.60
Peaches, canned ..	29 oz.	39.20	39.30	39.45	39.65	39.65	41.85	42.60	42.70	43.00	43.30	43.40	43.20	41.44
Pears, canned ..	"	43.80	43.80	44.80	44.20	44.20	44.90	45.15	45.15	45.05	46.05	46.05	46.45	44.97
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	79.00	66.00	56.50	58.00	61.00	62.00	86.29	83.00	102.00	109.00	102.81	51.33	78.08
Onions, brown ..	lb.	18.13	19.25	11.50	12.00	12.00	12.00	14.50	21.14	24.29	22.00	20.00	13.13	16.66
Soap ..	"	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.26	18.26	18.26	18.26	18.26	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.30
Kerosene ..	quart	13.33	13.33	13.33	13.33	13.33	13.33	13.78	13.78	13.83	13.89	14.04	14.04	13.61
Dairy Produce—														
Butter, factory ..	lb.	54.85	54.75	54.75	54.75	54.75	54.75	56.30	56.30	56.30	56.25	56.25	56.25	55.52
Cheese, mild ..	"	38.66	39.08	39.08	38.94	39.23	39.23	40.11	40.11	40.11	40.11	40.11	40.11	39.57
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	71.50	71.50	71.50	71.50	71.57	72.08	72.08	71.89	54.50	54.50	54.44	66.44	66.96
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	72.90	72.90	72.90	72.90	72.90	76.40	76.80	76.80	77.10	77.50	77.50	77.50	75.34
Milk, condensed ..	14 oz. tin	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	24.30	24.40	24.40	24.40	24.45	24.45	23.95
" fresh, loose <sup>(b)</sup> ..	quart	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
" " in bottles ..	"	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
Meat—														
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	March Quarter, 1956.			June Quarter, 1956.			September Quarter, 1956.			December Quarter, 1956.			40.75
" rib (without ..	"	41.23			40.80			40.47			40.50			40.75
" bone) ..	"	40.50			40.13			39.50			39.90			40.01
" steak, rump ..	"	58.60			58.43			58.13			58.40			58.39
" chuck ..	"	35.03			33.43			32.57			32.60			33.41
" sausages ..	"	23.20			23.23			23.50			24.73			23.67
" (corned) silver ..	"	41.87			41.20			40.70			41.00			41.19
" side ..	"	31.50			30.70			29.40			29.50			30.28
" brisket ..	"	29.25			31.13			30.71			29.75			30.21
Mutton, leg ..	"	14.92			16.34			16.04			16.92			16.06
" forequarter ..	"	23.13			23.63			23.13			23.38			23.07
" loin ..	"	23.55			24.83			24.17			23.09			23.91
" chops, loin ..	"	27.88			29.67			29.08			28.63			28.82
" leg ..	"	35.67			36.03			37.93			36.80			37.86
Pork, leg ..	"	55.37			56.13			58.03			61.60			57.78
" loin ..	"	55.37			56.33			58.13			61.60			57.91
" chops ..	"	55.37			56.33			58.13			61.60			57.91

APPENDIX.

(a) In some cases the averages shown are price relatives. (b) Delivered.

## SECTION II.

## AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF FOOD IN PRINCIPAL CITIES: AUSTRALIA AND OTHER COUNTRIES, 1955.

(Particulars extracted from Official Publications and Reports. Prices are quoted in the currency of the country concerned.)

Item.	Unit.	AUSTRALIA.(a)								NEW ZEALAND.							
		Sydney.				Melbourne.				Wellington.				Christchurch.			
		Feb.	May.	Aug.	Nov.	Feb.	May.	Aug.	Nov.	Feb.	May.	Aug.	Nov.	Feb.	May.	Aug.	Nov.
Bread .. .. .	2 lb.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Flour, plain .. .. .	"	13.30	13.30	13.80	13.80	14.00	14.50	15.00	15.00	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.50
Tea .. .. .	lb.	12.00	12.00	13.19	13.19	11.15	11.25	11.10	11.10	6.36	6.36	6.36	6.36	5.92	5.92	5.92	5.92
Jam, plum .. .. .	14 lb.	89.00	89.00	74.20	84.65	89.00	88.60	73.65	85.50	94.00	108.00	88.00	88.00	97.20	108.00	88.00	88.00
Sugar .. .. .	lb.	29.75	29.80	29.85	29.85	27.50	27.40	26.95	26.80	31.63	31.54	31.54	31.54	32.06	31.89	31.89	31.89
Rice .. .. .	"	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	8.83	8.83	8.83	8.83	8.83	8.83	8.83	8.83
Oatmeal .. .. .	"	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.70	11.80								
Raisins .. .. .	"	9.00	10.08	11.00	11.00	9.40	10.00	9.17	9.00	10.44	11.94	12.00	12.00	10.32	12.00	12.00	12.00
Peaches, canned .. .. .	30-oz. tin	31.70	31.80	31.90	30.30	29.39	28.72	27.56	27.83	b16.60	b16.40	b16.30	b16.40	b16.60	b16.50	b16.50	b16.50
Potatoes .. .. .	7 lb.	38.65	38.65	38.65	38.65	33.50	33.40	32.55	33.00	47.00	47.40	49.10	49.10	47.70	47.30	47.30	47.40
Onions .. .. .	lb.	38.50	42.85	35.61	52.90	27.93	31.50	46.63	58.50	24.50	24.92	24.50	28.00	19.81	12.81	12.81	11.83
Milk (g) .. .. .	quart	7.80	8.30	9.60	15.80	7.70	6.40	8.10	18.00	5.83	4.63	4.94	5.11	7.25	4.25	4.25	2.13
Butter .. .. .	lb.	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	10.00	9.00
Cheese .. .. .	"	49.30	49.50	53.30	53.10	49.30	49.30	53.30	53.30	24.00	24.00	24.00	24.00	24.00	24.00	24.00	24.00
Eggs .. .. .	dozen	33.56	33.56	36.19	36.13	33.00	33.00	35.10	36.30	23.20	23.20	23.20	23.00	33.10	23.00	23.00	22.70
Bacon .. .. .	lb.	66.00	75.00	60.00	60.00	64.00	67.90	65.00	65.00	64.00	77.40	47.00	47.00	53.00	73.00	42.00	42.00
		66.94	69.00	72.78	75.67	63.71	68.75	74.25	78.08	43.40	43.40	43.40	45.00	42.40	42.40	42.40	45.20
		(e)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(e)	(d)	(e)	(f)								
Beef, sirloin .. .. .	"	45.17	45.19	44.45	44.21	38.83	39.60	41.63	41.29	34.33	34.33	34.33	35.67	31.00	31.67	31.67	31.67
" rib (g) .. .. .	"	34.37	34.20	34.52	34.22	38.67	38.90	40.97	40.53	31.67	30.67	30.67	31.67	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00
" steak, rump .. .. .	"	58.16	57.30	56.98	56.60	51.30	52.40	56.53	57.60	40.00	37.33	37.33	39.00	34.67	36.00	36.00	36.00
" sausages .. .. .	"	20.01	20.03	20.60	20.47	19.56	19.56	20.60	21.10	16.67	16.33	16.33	16.67	14.33	14.67	14.67	14.67
Mutton, leg .. .. .	"	21.61	22.87	23.00	23.45	24.43	25.19	26.86	26.67	30.00	29.00	29.00	30.00	28.00	29.00	29.00	29.00
" forequarter .. .. .	"	14.30	15.11	16.37	15.88	15.29	16.05	17.76	16.78	19.33	19.33	19.33	19.33	15.33	16.33	16.33	16.33
" chops .. .. .	"	24.17	24.70	25.83	25.10	23.43	23.48	27.14	26.57	28.67	28.00	28.00	29.67	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
Pork, leg .. .. .	"	50.61	51.20	54.37	57.15	47.18	49.04	56.74	58.89	38.00	32.67	32.33	34.33	34.33	32.67	33.00	33.00
" chops .. .. .	"	51.53	52.80	55.12	57.33	50.00	51.23	57.67	59.27	38.00	32.67	33.00	34.33	34.67	34.33	35.00	35.67

(a) In some cases the averages shown are price relatives. For September quarter.

(f) Average for December quarter.

(b) Sultanas.

(c) Average for March quarter.

(d) Average for June quarter.

(e) Average

(g) Australian figures are not directly comparable with prices previously published.

## SECTION II.—continued.

## AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF FOOD IN PRINCIPAL CITIES: AUSTRALIA AND OTHER COUNTRIES, 1955—continued.

(Particulars extracted from Official Publications and Reports. Prices are quoted in the currency of the country concerned.)

Item.	Unit.	UNITED KINGDOM.	UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA.							
			Capetown.				Witwatersrand.			
			Oct.	Feb.	May.	Aug.	Nov.	Feb.	May.	Aug.
Bread	2 lb.	d. 8.6	d. 10.1	d. 10.1	d. 10.1	d. 10.1	d. 9.9	d. 9.9	d. 9.9	d. 9.9
Flour, plain	"	12.7	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3
Tea	lb.	82.0	109.3	103.3	87.2	93.4	108.1	102.5	86.3	91.5
Jam	1½ lb.	"	(a) 18.2	(a) 18.2	(a) 18.1	(a) 18.3	(a) 20.4	(a) 20.6	(a) 20.8	(a) 20.9
Sugar	lb.	8.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.8	5.5	5.5	5.5
Rice	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Oatmeal	"	"	11.9	11.9	11.9	11.9	11.9	11.9	11.9	11.9
Raisins	"	"	19.1	19.1	19.1	19.1	21.3	21.3	21.3	21.0
Peaches, canned	30-oz. tin	"	26.8	27.3	27.6	28.0	30.0	30.4	30.8	31.4
Potatoes	7 lb.	21.9	31.5	34.3	37.8	37.8	25.2	26.6	31.5	31.5
Onions	lb.	5.4	5.6	6.0	7.9	6.4	6.0	7.4	9.2	6.1
Milk	quart	14.0	13.0	13.0	13.0	13.0	13.6	13.6	13.6	13.6
Butter	lb.	46.1	40.0	40.0	40.0	40.0	40.0	40.0	40.0	40.0
Cheese	"	30.1	33.0	33.0	33.0	33.0	33.0	33.0	33.0	33.0
Eggs	dozen	63.0	39.1	47.8	34.3	33.4	39.0	47.5	33.3	33.2
Bacon	lb.	49.0	43.7	45.1	45.9	46.8	41.1	43.4	44.6	44.5
Beef, sirloin	"	52.6	23.0	23.0	24.0	24.5	25.9	25.9	26.9	27.1
" rib	"	37.2	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
" steak, rump	"	"	28.0	28.0	29.0	29.5	29.5	29.4	30.2	30.2
Mutton, leg	"	42.2	39.0	39.0	39.0	36.0	37.6	36.8	38.3	37.7
Pork, leg	"	50.3	28.0	28.0	31.0	31.5	28.3	28.7	29.6	30.4
" chops	"	"	30.0	30.0	32.0	32.5	30.0	30.6	32.5	33.0

(a) Apricot jam.

## SECTION II.—continued.

## AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF FOOD IN PRINCIPAL CITIES: AUSTRALIA AND OTHER COUNTRIES, 1955—continued.

(Particulars extracted from Official Publications and Reports. Prices are quoted in the currency of the country concerned.)

Item.	Unit.	CANADA.								UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.(a)			
		Ottawa.				Montreal.				Feb.	May.	Aug.	Nov.
		Feb.	May.	Aug.	Nov.	Feb.	May.	Aug.	Nov.				
		cents.	cents.	cents.	cents.	cents.	cents.	cents.	cents.	cents.	cents.	cents.	cents.
Bread .. ..	2 lb.	24.4	24.4	24.4	24.4	24.8	24.8	24.8	24.8	35.4	35.4	35.4	35.6
Flour, plain .. ..	"	14.8	14.8	14.8	14.8	14.8	14.8	14.8	14.8	21.6	21.6	21.5	21.4
Tea .. ..	lb.	119.8	129.2	122.0	121.4	121.2	129.8	123.4	123.0	..	..	..	..
Jam(b) .. ..	1½ lb.	34.2	34.5	34.8	34.2	36.3	36.5	35.9	35.3	..	..	..	..
Sugar .. ..	lb.	8.7	8.6	8.6	8.5	8.3	8.4	8.3	8.3	10.5	10.4	10.4	10.5
Rice .. ..	"	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	17.6	17.8	18.1	17.5
Oatmeal .. ..	"	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	15.1	15.3	15.4	15.4
Raisins .. ..	"	22.8	22.8	22.8	22.8	23.5	23.5	23.6	23.4	..	..	..	..
Peaches, canned .. ..	30-oz. tin	41.2	41.2	42.0	40.4	40.0	40.0	40.2	40.4	..	..	..	..
Potatoes .. ..	7 lb.	31.2	51.2	33.3	20.5	28.4	47.3	31.0	19.0	37.8	56.6	34.0	33.0
Onions .. ..	lb.	10.4	9.8	11.2	7.8	10.7	10.1	11.3	9.2	7.7	8.5	7.8	8.2
Milk .. ..	quart	21.5	21.5	21.5	21.5	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	23.2	22.5	23.0	23.9
Butter .. ..	lb.	65.7	62.6	61.4	62.2	65.1	61.1	60.6	61.0	71.2	70.4	70.5	71.0
Cheese .. ..	"	63.4	63.2	64.0	64.0	64.4	64.4	64.2	64.0	57.8	57.7	57.9	57.8
Eggs .. ..	dozen	49.4	55.6	73.6	74.8	48.8	56.1	72.8	75.6	59.0	53.2	65.3	66.4
Bacon .. ..	lb.	74.2	72.6	74.6	74.0	78.0	74.8	75.2	74.0	69.0	65.5	67.3	60.9
Beef, sirloin .. ..	"	77.4	76.8	84.1	81.2	89.7	88.8	91.8	90.7	..	..	..	..
" rib .. ..	"	73.8	73.4	73.4	75.0	77.8	76.9	78.9	78.4	72.4	70.7	69.5	68.7
" steak, rump .. ..	"	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	(c) 92.1	(c) 89.2	(c) 90.6	(c) 88.1
Pork chops .. ..	"	63.0	58.6	66.2	67.4	58.5	57.0	62.4	62.5	75.7	82.9	81.4	73.2

(a) Average for all towns.

(b) Strawberry jam.

(c) Round steak.



## SECTION II.—continued.

**AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF FOOD IN PRINCIPAL CITIES: AUSTRALIA AND OTHER COUNTRIES, 1956.**  
(Particulars extracted from Official Publications and Reports. Prices are quoted in the currency of the country concerned.)

Item.	Unit.	NEW ZEALAND.														
		AUSTRALIA (a)				Wellington.				Christchurch.						
		Sydney.		Melbourne.		Feb.	May.	Aug.	Nov.	Feb.	May.	Aug.	Nov.			
Bread	2 lb.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	No.
Flour, plain	"	13.90	13.80	14.80	15.00	15.50	15.00	11.30	7.50	7.50	7.50	8.57	7.50	7.50	7.50	8.57
Tea	lb.	13.26	13.50	14.56	11.05	11.00	11.00	11.30	6.36	6.36	6.36	6.38	5.92	5.92	5.92	5.92
Jam, plum	1 1/2 lb.	84.65	80.50	79.70	85.30	83.25	81.35	81.10	88.00	88.00	88.00	88.00	88.00	88.00	88.00	88.00
Sugar	lb.	30.60	30.80	31.65	27.15	27.20	27.20	27.00	31.54	31.54	31.54	31.54	31.71	31.71	31.71	31.71
Rice	"	15.00	10.00	10.00	9.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	8.83	8.83	8.83	8.86	8.83	8.83	8.83	8.83
Oatmeal	"	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.80	11.80	11.80	11.75	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00
Raisins	"	11.00	10.08	10.07	9.00	8.83	8.50	9.13	16.50	16.50	16.50	16.50	16.40	16.40	16.40	16.40
Peaches, canned	30-oz. tin	30.20	30.30	31.00	27.78	27.50	27.50	28.31	48.80	49.40	49.40	49.25	48.10	49.00	49.00	49.10
Potatoes	7 lb.	40.60	40.95	40.90	34.06	35.28	33.75	35.80	48.44	48.81	48.81	48.25	38.50	38.50	38.50	38.50
Onions	lb.	65.90	77.45	119.00	58.56	70.88	126.22	107.64	6.78	5.00	12.83	14.25	4.42	4.78	8.00	11.33
Milk	quart	10.70	10.50	17.20	12.00	8.20	16.25	17.00	9.00	9.00	9.50	9.50	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
Butter	"	22.00	22.00	22.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	24.00	24.00	24.00	24.00	24.00	24.00	24.00	24.00
Cheese	lb.	33.10	55.10	54.15	53.30	54.85	54.85	54.60	23.10	23.10	23.10	23.83	22.90	23.30	23.50	24.00
Eggs	dozen	36.69	37.13	38.75	36.63	37.50	39.00	39.50	58.00	58.00	58.00	58.00	53.00	53.00	53.00	43.00
Bacon	lb.	69.00	75.00	75.00	68.00	75.00	83.17	86.33	45.80	45.20	46.30	46.67	45.20	44.80	46.20	46.20
Beef, sirloin	"	76.67	80.28	86.50	79.25	83.17	85.33	86.33	45.80	45.20	46.30	46.67	45.20	44.80	46.20	46.20
" rib	"	44.10	45.55	46.00	41.29	42.50	42.50	41.80	34.00	32.00	31.67	31.20	31.67	31.33	31.00	30.33
" steak, rump	"	34.37	35.52	35.93	41.73	41.93	41.93	41.27	30.00	28.67	28.67	28.40	30.00	30.00	29.67	29.00
" sausages	"	56.83	59.17	59.53	57.80	60.67	59.97	60.10	38.33	36.00	36.00	36.00	35.67	35.33	35.00	35.00
Mutton, leg	"	20.67	21.25	22.80	23.52	23.29	24.33	24.79	16.67	16.67	16.67	16.80	14.67	14.67	14.67	14.67
" forequarter	"	24.12	26.27	27.00	26.50	29.85	28.81	28.09	29.33	29.67	29.67	29.20	29.00	29.00	28.33	28.33
" chops	"	15.93	17.78	19.45	18.15	18.61	18.61	18.61	18.67	18.67	18.67	17.40	16.33	16.33	14.33	14.33
Pork, leg	"	25.15	27.65	29.53	26.24	29.19	28.33	27.76	28.67	28.67	28.67	28.20	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
" chops	"	57.25	58.34	61.37	60.92	63.52	63.52	64.96	35.33	35.33	35.33	35.60	33.00	33.00	33.00	33.67
" chops	"	56.78	58.33	62.27	60.87	61.50	63.47	66.60	34.67	34.33	35.00	35.60	35.00	35.00	35.00	35.67

(a) In some cases the averages shown are price relatives. (b) Raspberry jam. (c) Sultanas. (d) Average for March quarter. (e) Average for June quarter. (f) Average for September quarter. (g) Average for December quarter.

## SECTION II.—continued.

## AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF FOOD IN PRINCIPAL CITIES: AUSTRALIA AND OTHER COUNTRIES, 1956—continued.

(Particulars extracted from Official Publications and Reports. Prices are quoted in the currency of the country concerned.)

Item.	Unit.	UNITED KINGDOM.	UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA.									
			Capetown.				Witwatersrand.					
			Oct.	Feb.	May.	Aug.	Nov.	Feb.	May.	Aug.	Nov.	
Bread .. .. .	2 lb.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Flour, plain .. .. .	"	11.89	10.0	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Tea .. .. .	"	13.40	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3
Jam .. .. .	lb.	78.00	92.2	97.3	94.8	94.8	92.5	97.6	95.7	99.4	99.4	99.4
Sugar .. .. .	1½ lb.	..	(a) 18.8	(a) 19.4	(a) 19.4	(a) 19.5	(a) 21.5	(a) 22.1	(a) 22.0	(a) 22.0	(a) 22.0	(a) 22.0
Rice .. .. .	lb.	7.95	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5
Oatmeal .. .. .	"	..	11.9	11.9	12.4	12.4	11.9	11.9	12.3	12.3	12.3	12.3
Raisins .. .. .	"	..	19.3	15.8	15.3	15.3	21.6	18.8	18.4	17.9	17.9	17.9
Peaches, canned .. .. .	30-oz. tin	..	28.6	29.1	29.3	29.3	31.3	31.8	32.1	32.4	32.4	32.4
Potatoes .. .. .	7 lb.	16.60	32.9	32.2	32.9	37.8	23.1	25.9	28.7	29.4	29.4	29.4
Onions .. .. .	lb.	6.10	4.7	4.6	4.4	4.8	5.0	5.5	5.4	4.6	4.6	4.6
Milk .. .. .	"	15.00	13.0	13.0	13.0	13.0	13.6	13.6	13.6	13.6	13.6	13.6
Butter .. .. .	quart	45.10	40.0	40.0	40.0	40.0	40.0	40.0	40.0	40.0	40.0	40.0
Cheese .. .. .	lb.	38.10	33.0	33.0	33.0	33.0	33.0	33.0	33.0	33.0	33.0	33.0
Eggs .. .. .	dozen	45.60	39.0	44.8	34.0	34.0	39.0	45.2	34.0	34.0	34.0	34.0
Bacon .. .. .	lb.	49.60	46.7	46.7	46.7	46.7	44.7	45.0	44.8	44.9	44.9	44.9
Beef, sirloin .. .. .	"	50.50	26.5	28.0	28.0	28.0	29.2	28.8	29.2	30.0	30.0	30.0
" rib .. .. .	"	35.30	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
" steak, rump .. .. .	"	..	31.5	36.0	36.0	36.0	33.3	33.4	33.2	34.6	34.6	34.6
Mutton, leg .. .. .	"	41.30	39.0	36.0	34.0	33.0	38.4	37.7	36.7	38.3	38.3	38.3
Pork, leg .. .. .	"	48.80	31.5	31.5	31.5	31.0	31.1	30.7	30.6	30.6	30.6	30.6
" chops .. .. .	"	..	32.5	35.5	35.5	35.0	33.5	33.5	33.6	33.6	33.6	33.6

(a) Apricot jam.

## SECTION II.—continued.

## AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF FOOD IN PRINCIPAL CITIES: AUSTRALIA AND OTHER COUNTRIES, 1956—continued.

(Particulars extracted from Official Publications and Reports. Prices are quoted in the currency of the country concerned.)

Item.	Unit.	CANADA.								UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.(a)			
		Ottawa.				Montreal.				Feb.	May.	Aug.	Nov.
		Feb.	May.	Aug.	Nov.	Feb.	May.	Aug.	Nov.				
		cents.	cents.	cents.	cents.	cents.	cents.	cents.	cents.	cents.	cents.	cents.	cents.
Bread .. .. .	2 lb.	24.4	24.0	25.4	25.4	24.8	24.8	24.8	25.8	35.2	35.4	36.2	36.6
Flour, plain .. ..	2 lb.	14.8	15.2	15.2	15.6	15.0	15.0	15.2	15.6	21.2	21.4	21.4	21.3
Tea .. .. .	lb.	121.2	121.2	121.2	120.0	122.8	122.8	122.8	122.4	..	..	..	..
Jam(b) .. .. .	1½ lb.	33.9	33.8	34.5	35.9	34.7	34.5	35.4	34.7	..	..	..	..
Sugar .. .. .	lb.	8.5	8.4	8.6	8.6	8.3	8.3	8.4	8.4	10.5	10.5	10.6	10.7
Rice .. .. .	"	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	17.2	17.1	17.2	17.2
Oatmeal .. .. .	"	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	15.4	15.4	15.4	15.5
Raisins .. .. .	"	23.1	22.7	23.5	23.8	23.8	23.1	23.6	24.0	..	..	..	..
Peaches, canned ..	30-oz. tin	40.8	40.8	41.0	45.2	40.2	39.6	40.4	43.8	..	..	..	..
Potatoes .. .. .	7 lb.	25.6	33.0	43.8	25.8	25.0	31.5	31.9	25.0	38.4	55.8	54.3	36.9
Onions .. .. .	lb.	9.0	9.8	17.0	9.6	9.6	10.4	17.5	10.1	7.9	9.1	13.5	7.1
Milk .. .. .	quart	21.4	21.4	21.4	22.4	20.0	20.0	20.0	21.0	23.6	23.7	(c) 24.3	(c) 24.8
Butter .. .. .	lb.	62.6	62.2	61.8	63.0	61.6	61.7	60.9	61.6	70.8	71.7	72.0	74.5
Cheese .. .. .	"	63.6	64.4	67.4	68.2	64.6	65.6	67.2	67.0	57.0	57.2	57.4	57.2
Eggs .. .. .	dozen	52.5	62.0	74.4	71.4	54.3	63.5	74.2	70.2	59.2	57.3	60.4	61.2
Bacon .. .. .	lb.	69.2	66.4	71.8	93.2	68.2	65.2	71.0	93.0	53.9	54.2	59.5	60.6
Beef, sirloin .. ..	"	76.0	72.9	87.1	84.0	89.1	86.1	97.6	96.7	..	..	..	..
" rib .. .. .	"	74.0	69.8	76.9	80.3	77.7	75.3	81.8	84.8	65.9	65.7	71.2	75.8
" steak, rump ..	"	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	(d) 83.0	(d) 84.0	(d) 92.1	(d) 93.5
Pork chops .. ..	"	58.6	59.4	72.0	72.2	57.3	59.6	70.4	71.1	69.2	77.3	85.2	79.3

APPENDIX.

(a) Average for all towns. (b) Strawberry jam. (c) Milk, fresh, delivered—homogenized with vitamin "D" added. Previously described as "Milk, fresh, delivered."  
 (d) Round steak.

## SECTION III.

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 (EXCLUDING OVERTIME) AT 31st DECEMBER, 1956.

NOTE.—These rates are quoted from the latest Awards, Determinations or Agreements which were in force at 31st December, 1956. Where two or more Award, Determination or Agreement Rates are quoted, the reason for this 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) 260s. 0d. to 280s. 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 261s. 6d. and 276s. 6d., 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 40. (See footnote below.) Rates for some occupations have been revised and are not necessarily comparable with those quoted in previous issues.

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

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
<i>Coopering—</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
Coopers .. ..	328 0	333 0	321 0	316 0	343 9	362 0
<i>Furniture—</i>						
Cabinetmakers ..	346 0	320 0	313 0	316 0	339 2	327 0
Carpet Planners ..	346 0	320 0	..	316 0	338 8	327 0
Chairmakers .. ..	346 0	320 0	313 0	316 0	339 2	327 0
French Polishers ..	346 0	320 0	313 0	316 0	337 8	327 0
Upholsters .. ..	346 0	320 0	313 0	316 0	337 8	327 0
Woodcarvers .. ..	346 0	320 0	313 0	316 0	337 8	327 0
Wood Machinists ..	346 0	275/ to 320/	313 0	271/ to 316/	337 8	282/ to 327/
<i>Mattress Making—Wire—</i>						
Finishers .. ..	324 0	275 0	306 7	271 0	295 2	252 0
Makers .. ..	324/ & 336/	320 0	306 7	316 0	308 8	327 0
<i>Picture Framing—</i>						
Stainers .. ..	328 0	285 0	295 0	281 0	} 295 2 {	292 0
Joiners .. ..	328 0	275 0	295 0	271 0		282 0
Mount Cutters ..	328 0	275 0	295 0	271 0		282 0
<i>Sawmilling and Timber Yards—</i>						
Box and Casemakers ..	293 0	285 0	266 6	281 0	287 2	292 0
Labourers .. ..	267 0	259 0	256 6	255 0	265 2	266 0
<i>Machinists—</i>						
Box Printing .. ..	274 6	266 6	..	262 6	..	273 6
Boults Carver .. ..	323 0	315 0	..	311 0	..	322 0
Nailing .. ..	278 0	270 0	266 6	266 0	..	277 0
Planing .. ..	296/ & 323/	288/ & 315/	266 6	284/ & 311/	286/2 to 326/8	295/ & 322/
Shaping .. ..	323 0	315 0	266 6	311 0	333 2	322 0
Ordermen .. ..	301 0	293 0	271 6	289 0	304 8	300 0
Saw Doctors .. ..	343 0	335 0	306 6	331 0	352 8	342 0
<i>Sawyers—</i>						
Band or jig .. ..	295/6 to 328/	287/6 to 320/	271/6 to 306/6	283/6 to 316/	304/8 & 323/8	294/6 to 327/
Circular .. ..	298/ & 320/	290/ & 312/	..	286/ & 308/	304/8 & 320/8	297/ & 319/
Stackers .. ..	270/ & 278/	262/ & 270/	..	258/ & 266/	278/2 & 286/2	269/ & 277/
Wood Turners .. ..	323 0	315 0	296 6	311 0	..	322 0

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

(1) 34 hours. (2) 36 hours. (3) 37½ hours. (4) 38 hours. (5) 76 hours per fortnight. (6) 44 hours. (7) 60 hours. (8) 35 to 40 hours. (9) 48 hours.

## SECTION III.—continued.

## GROUP II.—ENGINEERING, METAL WORKS, ETC.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
<i>Agricultural Implements—</i>						
Assemblers ..	s. d. 298 0	s. d. 270/ & 280/	s. d. 273 0	s. d. 266/ & 276/	s. d. 290/2 & 300/2	s. d. 297 0
Bulldozermen ..	330 6	282 6	305 6	278 6	332 8	287/ to 327/
Drillers ..	288/ to 328/	272 6	263/ to 303/	268 6	310/2 & 315/2	297/ to 327/
Fitters ..	298/ & 328/	285/ to 320/	273/ to 303/	281/ to 316/	265 2	261 0
Labourers—Unskilled	262 0	254 0	237 0	250 0	300/2 to 340/2	287/ to 327/
Machinists—Metal ..	288/ to 328/	280/ to 320/	263/ to 303/	276/ to 316/	287 8	275 0
Painters—Brush ..	276 0	268 0	251 0	264 0	290 2	277 0
Spray ..	278 0	270 0	253 0	266 0	362 8	349 6
Patternmakers ..	350 6	342 6	325 6	338 6	315/2 & 340/2	302/ & 327/
Sheet Metal Workers	303/ & 328/	295/ to 320/	278/ & 303/	291/ to 316/	289 2	275/ & 279/6
Strikers ..	276/ & 280/6	268/ & 272/6	251/ & 255/6	264/ & 268/6	340 2	327 0
<i>Boilermaking—</i>						
Boilermakers ..	328 0	320 0	343 6	316 0	340 2	327 0
Structural Steel Tradesmen ..	328 0	320 0	..	316 0	340 2	327 0
<i>Cycles and Motor Cycles—</i>						
Assemblers ..	293 6	296/6 & 308/	299 6	273/ & 285/6	290 2	305/ & 319/6
Frame Builders ..	304 0	308/ & 313/6	..	282/ & 297/	290 2	319 6
Repairers ..	304 0	308/ & 313/6	329 0	282/ & 297/	315 2	319 6
Turners (Cycle) ..	304 0	338 0	..	..	340 2	324 0
<i>Electrical Installation—</i>						
Cable Jointers ..	355 0	312/6 & 317/6	343 6	308/6 & 313/6	340 2	319/6 & 324/6
Electrical Fitters ..	355 0	320 0	346 3	316 0	340 2	327 0
Electrical Mechanics ..	355 0	320 0	343 6	316 0	332 8	327 0
Patrolmen ..	..	273/6 & 302/6	293 5	269 6	..	280/6 & 309/6
Linesmen ..	347 0	302 6	343 6	298 6	322 8	309 6
Other Adults ..	303 0	254 0	282 6	250 0	285 2	261 0
<i>Electrical Supply—</i>						
Armature Winders ..	401 0	338 0	361 3	316 0	340 2	347 0
Cable Jointers ..	408 0	330/6 & 335/6	358 6	308/6 & 313/6	340 2	339/6 & 344/6
Instrument Makers ..	425 0	363 0	361 3	341 0	340 2	372 0
Linesmen ..	371/ & 386/	320/6 to 338/	358 6	316 0	322 8	329/6 to 347/
Meter Testers ..	399 0	320/6 & 331/6	356 3	286/ & 296/	..	317/ & 327/
Patrolmen—Night	438 0	(a) 383 2	(a) 339 11	(a) 336 11	..	(a) 411 11
Shift Electricians	431 0	338 0	375 3	316 0	..	347 0
Switchboard Attendants ..	..	315 6	290 0	294 6	..	325 6
Labourers ..	337 0	280 0	290 0	250 0	285 2	281 0
<i>Electrical Trades—</i>						
Electrical Fitters ..	328 0	320 0	346 3	316 0	340 2	327 0
Electrical Mechanics ..	328 0	320 0	343 6	316 0	332 8	327 0
Radio Tradesmen ..	328 0	320 0	343 6	316 0	340 2	327 0
<i>Electroplating—</i>						
Platers ..	275/ to 328/	267/ to 320/	316 0	263/ to 316/	315/2 & 340/2	274/ to 327/
Polishers ..	293 0	285 0	281 0	281 0	305 2	292 0
<i>Engineering—</i>						
Blacksmiths ..	330 6	322 6	351 0	318 6	340 2	329 6
Borers and Slotters ..	303/ & 328/	295/ & 320/	343 6	291/ & 316/	315/2 & 340/2	302/ & 327/
Brassfinishers ..	303/ & 328/	295/ & 320/	343 6	291/ & 316/	340 2	302/ & 327/
Coopersmiths ..	330 6	322 6	346 0	318 6	292/8 & 340/2	329 6
Drillers—Radial ..	278/ & 320/6	270/ & 312/6	295 6	266/ & 308/6	290/2 & 332/8	277/ & 319/6
Fitters ..	328 0	320 0	343 6	316 0	340 2	327 0
Millers ..	303/ & 328/	295/ & 320/	343 6	291/ & 316/	315/2 & 340/2	302/ & 327/
Patternmakers ..	350 6	342 6	366 0	338 6	362 8	349 6

(a) Includes allowance for continuous night work.

## SECTION III.—continued.

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

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
<i>Engineering—continued.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
<i>Planers—</i>						
Rail and Plate Edge	303/ & 328/	295/ & 320/	295 6	291/ & 316/	315/2 & 340/2	302/ & 327/
Other .. ..	303/ & 328/	295/ & 320/	343 6	291/ & 316/	315/2 & 340/2	302/ & 327/
<i>Shapers .. ..</i>	303/ & 328/	295/ & 320/	343 6	291/ & 316/	315/2 & 340/2	302/ & 327/
<i>Turners .. ..</i>	328 0	320 0	343 6	316 0	340 2	327 0
<i>Foundry—</i>						
Coremakers—Machine	281/ to 303/	273/ to 295/	343 6	269/ to 291/	289/2 to 315/2	280/ & 302.
" Jobbing	328 0	320 0	343 6	316 0	340 2	327 0
Dressers .. ..	276/ to 300/6	268/ to 292/6	295 0	264/ to 288/6	292/8 & 297/8	275/ & 299/6
Furnacemen ..	290/6 to 298/	282/6 to 290/	296/6 to 326/	278/6 to 286/	302/8 to 310/2	289/6 to 297/
Moulders—Machine.	281/ to 303/	273/ to 295/	308 6	269/ to 291/	289/2 to 315/2	280/ to 302/
" Jobbing ..	328 0	320 0	343 6	316 0	340 2	327 0
<i>Ironworking Assistants—</i>						
Boilermakers' Assistants ..	276 0	268 0	290 6	264 0	289 2	275 0
Fitters' Assistants ..	276 0	268 0	290 6	264 0	289 2	275 0
Furnacemen's Assistants ..	276 0	268 0	280 4	264 0	288 2	275 0
Moulders' Assistants ..	276 0	268 0	292 0	264 0	289 2	275 0
Strikers .. ..	276/ & 280/6	268/ & 272/6	290 6	264/ & 268/6	289 2	275/ & 279/6
<i>Sheet Metal Working—</i>						
Canister Makers ..	283 0	275 0	293 6	271 0	295 2	282 0
Japanners—						
Coating or Brush-work .. ..	275 0	267 0	308 6	263 0	290 2	274 0
Ornamental .. ..	303 0	295 0	308 6	291 0	290 2	302 0
Solderers .. ..	275/ & 283/	267/ & 275/	..	263/ & 271/	295 2	274/ & 282/
Sheet Metal Workers—						
1st Class .. ..	328 0	320 0	343 6	316 0	340 2	327 0
2nd Class .. ..	303 0	295 0	308 6	291 0	315 2	302 0
<i>Nailmaking—</i>						
Case Wiremen .. ..	291 0	272 0	..	..	..	275 0
Labourers .. ..	291 0	272 0	..	..	..	275 0
Setters Up .. ..	309 0	308 0	..	..	..	300 0
<i>Wire Working—</i>						
Journeyman .. ..	294 0	308 0	269 0	..	272 8	..

## GROUP III.—FOOD, DRINK, TOBACCO, ETC.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
<i>Aerated Water and</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
<i>Cordials—</i>						
Bottlers .. ..	280 0	272 0	255 0	279 0	280 2	279 0
Drivers (Motor, 3-ton)	297 6	290 6	286 6	286 6	311 2	297 6
Packers .. ..	277 0	269 0	252 0	275 0	265 2	276 0
Wiremen .. ..	277 0	269 0	252 0	275 0	265 2	276 0
<i>Baking (Bread)—</i>						
Board Hands .. ..	357 0	362 6	..	314 0	350 2	352 0
Carters (One Horse) ..	334 0	335 6	288 0	308 6	291 8	336 0
Doughmen .. ..	369/6 & 372/6	369 2	288 6	355 3	362 2	352 0
Ovenmen .. ..	365 6	362 6	286 0	314 0	350 2	352 0
Singlehands .. ..	362 0	385 10	288 6	325 3	362 2	352 0
<i>Baking (Biscuits and</i>						
<i>Cakes)—</i>						
Adult Males .. ..	292 6	283 0	251 6	254 0	268 2	276 0
Bakers .. ..	325 0	313 0	262 0	286 0	297 8	321 0
Mixers .. ..	312/6 & 307/	313 0	262 0	281 0	303 2	327 0

## SECTION III.—continued.

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

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
<i>Brewing—</i>						
Adult Males ..	295 0	288 0	287 0	311 0	313 2	295 0
Bottlers and Washers ..	295 0	288 0	287 0	311 0	313 2	295 0
Cellarmen ..	295/ & 302/	295 0	302 0	326 0	318 2	295 0
Drivers (Motor, 3-ton)	309 0	290 6	290 6	330 0	328 2	297 6
Towmen ..	302 0	295 0	287 0	326 0	318 2	318 0
<i>Butchering (Carcass)—</i>						
Chilling Room Hands	306/ to 312/	366 6	330 9	309/9 & 317/9	293 2	371 0
Labourers (Beef) ..	311 0	329 6	307 6	309 9	281 2	337 0
.. (Mutton) ..	301 0	329 6	314 6	309 9	281 2	337 0
Scalders ..	364 0	340 0	313 2	415 0	310 2	349 0
Slaughtermen (Beef) ..	408 0	401 6	(a)	415 0	310 2	409 0
.. (Mutton)	(a)	401 6	(a)	415 0	310 2	409 0
<i>Butchering (Retail)—</i>						
Carters (Cash Cutting)	319 0	311 0	294 0	307 0	317 8	332 0
.. (One Horse) ..	296 0	268 6	271 0	284 0	278 2	275 6
General Butchers ..	328 0	320 0	303 0	316 0	317 8	342 0
Shoemen ..	328 0	320 0	303 0	316 0	317 8	342 0
Smallgoodsmen ..	328 0	320 0	303 0	316 0	317 8	335 0
<i>Cold Storage and Ice—</i>						
Chamber Hands ..	311/ & 325/	366 6	257 6	273 0	290 2	348 3
Pullers and Stackers ..	300 0	353 10	260 9	273 0	290 2	..
<i>Confectionery—</i>						
Confectioners, Grade I.	331 0	320 0	303 0	301 0	305 2	309 0
Storemen ..	314 0	313 0	278 0	267 0	270 2	278 0
<i>Ham and Bacon Curing—</i>						
Curers—First Hand ..	339 0	357 6	312 7	334 0	335 2	355 0
Cutters Up—First Hand	319 0	357 6	306 2	334 0	317 8	355 0
Ham Baggers ..	..	330 0	297 6	306 6	..	342 0
Lardmen ..	309 0	330/ to 342/	297 5	306/6 & 318/6	..	342 0
Rollers and Trimmers	324 0	342 0	291 1	318 6	301/2 & 317/8	355 0
Scalders ..	324 0	342 0	302 6	318 6	317 8	355 0
Slaughtermen ..	324 0	357 6	314 11	334 0	335 2	409 0
Smallgoodsmen—First Hand	329 0	348 9	312 7	325 3	317 8	363 0
Snokers—First Hand	319 0	342 0	303 5	318 6	..	342 0
<i>Jam Making and Preserving—</i>						
Adult Males ..	272 0	272 0	264 6	272 0	277 2	272 0
Solderers ..	277 0	277 0	..	277 0	285 2	277 0
<i>Malting—</i>						
Maltsters ..	293 0	286 0	277 0	..	313 2	300 0
<i>Milling—Condiments—</i>						
Grinders ..	322 6	299 0	..	..	..	..
Mixers or Blenders ..	316 6	279 0	267 6	..	294 2	..
Stone Dressers ..	322 6	299 0	..	..	..	..
<i>Milling—Flour—</i>						
Millers—Head ..	360 0	360 0	295 0	360 0	360 0	351 9
.. Shift ..	322/6 to 360/	322/6 to 360/	280/ to 289/	322/6 to 360/	322/6 to 360/	344/9 to 365/
Packmen ..	298 0	293 0	265 6	298 0	298 0	320 9
Purifiers ..	302 6	302 6	265 6	302 6	302 6	315 3
Sixsmen ..	302 6	302 6	265 6	302 6	302 6	315 3
Storemen—Head ..	305/ & 313/	305/ & 313/	265/6 & 271/	305/ & 313/	305/ & 313/	300/9 & 307/6
Topmen ..	302 6	302 6	268 0	302 6	302 6	315 3
Truckers and Others ..	273 0	273 0	263 0	273 0	273 0	291 0
<i>Milling—Oatmeal—</i>						
Kilnmen ..	314 0	274 6	..	..	..	300/ & 304/3
Millers—Head ..	341 6	299 0	..	..	..	341/9 & 346/9
<i>Pastrycooking—</i>						
Carters ..	307 0	291 0	283 0	308 6	301 2	306 0
Pastrycooks ..	341 0	332 0	294/6 & 302/	314 0	315 2	334 6

(a) Piece-work rates.

## SECTION III.—continued.

## GROUP IV.—CLOTHING, TEXTILES, ETC.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
<b>Bootmaking—</b>						
<b>Bootmakers</b> .. ..	302 0	302 0	302 0	302 0	294 0	302 0
<b>Tailoring—Order—</b>						
Cutters .. ..	424 0	329 0	329 0	329 0	329 0	329 0
Pressers .. ..	297 0	297 0	297 0	297 0	297 0	297 0
Tailors .. ..	306 0	306 0	306 0	306 0	306 0	306 0
Trimmers .. ..	297 0	297 0	297 0	297 0	297 0	297 0
<b>Tailoring—Ready-made—</b>						
Cutters .. ..	<i>s. d.</i> 310 0	<i>s. d.</i> 310 0	<i>s. d.</i> 310 0	<i>s. d.</i> 310 0	<i>s. d.</i> 310 0	<i>s. d.</i> 310 0
Folders .. ..	274 0	274 0	274 0	274 0	274 0	274 0
Machinists .. ..	297 0	297 0	297 0	297 0	297 0	297 0
Pressers .. ..	297 0	297 0	297 0	297 0	297 0	297 0
Tailors .. ..	306 0	306 0	306 0	306 0	306 0	306 0
Trimmers .. ..	297 0	297 0	297 0	297 0	297 0	297 0
<b>Textile-Working—Woolen</b>						
<b>Mills—</b>						
Carders .. ..	280 0	280 0	273 0	273 0	280 0	280 0
Dyehousemen .. ..	285 0	285 0	273 0	278 0	285 0	285 0
Labourers—General .. ..	251 0	251 0	255 0	244 0	251 0	251 0
Pattern Weavers .. ..	294 0	294 0		287 0	294 0	294 0
Scourers (Wool) .. ..	294 6	294 6	276/ & 282/6	287 6	294 6	294 6
Spinners .. ..	280 0	280 0	273/ & 282/	273 0	280 0	280 0
Loom Tuners .. ..	272/ to 318/	272/ to 318/	269/ to 311/	265/ to 311/	272/ to 318/	272/ to 318/

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

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
<b>Bookbinding—</b>						
Bookbinders .. ..	328 0	320 0	303 0	316 0	321 0	327 0
Finishers .. ..	328 0	320 0	303 0	316 0	321 0	327 0
Marblers .. ..	328 0	320 0	303 0	316 0	321 0	327 0
Paper Rulers .. ..	328 0	320 0	303 0	316 0	321 0	327 0
<b>Engraving (Photo)g—</b>						
Engravers .. ..	331 9	341 9	342 9	301 0	340 2	350 9
Etchers—Half-tone .. ..	341 9	351 9	352 9	305 6	340 2	360 9
Etchers—Line .. ..	331 9	341 9	342 9	301 0	322 8	350 9
Camera Operators .. ..	341 9	351 9	352 9	305 6	340 2	360 9
Photo Imposers .. ..	331 9	341 9	342 9	301 0	322 8	350 9
Routers .. ..	328 0	338 0	339 0	299 0	311 2	347 0
<b>Lithographing—</b>						
Printers .. ..	328 0	320 0	303 0	316 0	321 0	327 0
Rotary Machinists .. ..	328 0	320 0	303 0	316 0	321 0	327 0
Stone Polishers .. ..	281 0	273 0	256 0	269 0	274 0	280 0
<b>Printing (Daily News-</b>						
<b>papers)—</b>						
<b>Compositors (Machine)</b>						
Day Work .. ..	434 0	409 0	394 0	368 6	424 3	379 6
Night Work .. ..	454 0	444 0	404/ & 419/	393 6	439 3	404 6
<b>Linotype Attendants—</b>						
Day Work .. ..	359 0	356 9	330 0	320 0	337 2	331 0
Night Work .. ..	379 0	391 9	340/ & 355/	345 0	352 2	356 0
<b>Linotype Operators—</b>						
Day Work .. ..	399 0	409 0	377 6	333 0	424 3	344 0
Night Work .. ..	419 0	444 0	387/6 & 402/6	358 0	439 3	369 0
<b>Machinists (First</b>						
<b>Hand)—</b>						
Day Work .. ..	389 0	419 9	386 0	353 6	400 11	364 6
Night Work .. ..	409 0	454 9	396/ & 411/	378 6	415 11	389 6
<b>Publishing Hands—</b>						
Day Work .. ..	359 0	356 9	330 0	314 0	341 4	325 0
Night Work .. ..	379 0	391 9	340/ & 355/	339 0	356 4	350 0
<b>Readers—</b>						
Day Work .. ..	399 0	413 0	377 6	346 0	400 11	357 0
Night Work .. ..	419 0	448 0	387/6 & 402/6	371 0	415 11	382 0

(a) Other than in newspaper offices.



## SECTION III.—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.
<i>Printing (Daily Newspapers) continued.</i>						
Readers' Assistants—						
Day Work ..	359 0	364 6	337 6	311 0	337 2	322 0
Night Work ..	379 0	399 6	347/6 & 362/6	336 0	352 2	347 0
Stereotypers (First Class)—						
Day Work ..	389 0	415 3	372 6	330 0	369 1	341 0
Night Work ..	409 0	450 3	382/6 & 397/6	355 0	384 1	366 0
<i>Printing (Job Offices)—</i>						
Compositors ..	328/ to 350/6	320/ to 342/6	303/ to 325/6	316/ to 338/6	321/ to 343/6	327/ to 349/6
Electrotypers ..	328 0	320 0	303 0	316 0	321 0	327 0
General Hands ..	269 0	261 0	244 0	257 0	262 0	268 0
Linotype Operators ..	350 6	342 6	325 6	338 6	343 6	349 6
Machinists ..	328 0	320 0	303 0	316 0	321 0	327 0
Monotype Operators ..	350 6	342 6	325 6	338 6	343 6	349 6
Monotype Casting						
Machinists ..	325 0	320 0	303 0	316 0	321 0	327 0
Readers ..	335 6	327 6	310 6	323 6	328 6	334 6
Stereotypers ..	328 0	320 0	303 0	316 0	321 0	327 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.
<i>Brickmaking—</i>						
Burners ..	314/6 & 322/6	314 0	268 0	292 6	302 8	325 0
Drivers, Motor (5 tons)	316 0	300 0	296 0	296 0	321 2	327 0
Drawers ..	344 6	313/6 to 326/6	265 6	297 6	307 2	325 0
Labourers ..	311 0	303 0	257 8	290 0	291 2	321 6
Machinemen ..	336 6	310 6	265 6	291 0	291 2	321 6
Panmen ..	320/6 & 340/6	306/ & 310/6	265 6	298/6 & 301/6	291 2	321 6
Pitmen ..	337 6	328/6 to 334/6	259 6	305 0	291 2	321 6
Setters ..	344 6	311/6 & 326/6	264 0	297 6	307 2	328/6 & 335/6
Wheelers ..	333 0	308 0	259 6	286 0	291 2	321 6
<i>Brushmaking—</i>						
Back Broom Drawers	334 6	308 0	276 6	} 286 0 {	} 298 8 {	..
Finishers ..	334 6	308 0	276 6			..
Machinists—Boring	314 6	290 0	276 6			..
Paint Brush Makers ..	342 0	320 6	276 6			..
<i>Candle Making—</i>						
Acidifiers ..	301 6	291 6	263 6	..	..	..
General Hands ..	298 0	267 0	267 0	263 0	286 2	..
Glycerine Hands ..	301 6	291 6	268 6	287 6	295 2	..
Moulders ..	310 3	277 6	268 6	273 6	289 2	..
Stillmen ..	315 6	291 6	272 0	287 6	..	..
<i>Cardboard Box Making—</i>						
Gullock and other Cutters ..	284/6 to 306/9	276/6 to 298/9	279 6	272/6 to 294/9	277/6 to 299/9	283/3 to 305/9
Other Adults ..	269 0	261 0	257 0	257 0	262 0	268 0
<i>Vehicle Building—</i>						
Body-makers, 1st Class	328 0	320 0	343 6	316 0	340 2	327 0
Labourers ..	256 0	248 0	240 4	244 0	265 2	255 0
Painters ..	281/6 to 320/6	273/6 to 312/6	336 0	269/6 to 308/6	332 8	280/6 to 319/6
Smiths ..	330 6	322 6	346 0	318 6	340 2	329 6
Trimmers ..	303/ & 320/6	295/ & 312/6	336 0	291/ & 308/6	332 8	302/ & 319/6
Wheelmaking Machinists ..	328 0	320 0	338 6	316 0	332 8	327 0
Wheelwrights ..	328 0	320 0	343 6	316 0	340 2	327 0

## SECTION III.—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.
<i>Fellmongering—</i>						
Bate Hands ..	278 0	271 0	255 0	267 0	305 2	274 0
Green Hands ..	278 0	271 0	255 0	267 0	305/2 & 316/2	274 0
Limepit Men ..	278 0	271 0	255 0	267 0	305 2	274 0
Machinists ..	278/ to 286/6	271/ to 279/6	255/ to 263/6	267/ to 275/6	305/2 & 316/2	274/ to 282/6
Soakhole Men ..	281 0	274 0	258 0	270 0	316 2	277 0
Wool Sorters ..	296/6 & 316/6	289/6 & 309/6	273/6 & 293/6	285/6 & 305/6	319 2	292/6 & 312/6
<i>Gas Making and Supply—</i>						
Coke Trimmers ..	281 0	284 0	..	265 0	279 2	271 0
Gas Fitters ..	267 0	346 6	327 9	330 0	328 2	327 0
Labourers ..	272 0	278 0	260 0	256 0	268 2	267 0
Maullayers ..	305 6	305 6	298 6	289 6	305 8	294 6
Metermakers ..	349 0	333 0	343 6	322/ to 337/	318/2 & 323/2	327 0
Meter Testers ..	293/ & 308/	313 0	297 6	292 0	312 8	297 0
Service Layers ..	313 0	305 6	291 0	289 6	305 8	294 6
Stokers ..	303 0	303/ & 315/6	285 0	287 0	309 8	292/ & 304/6
<i>Glassfoundry—</i>						
Furnacemen ..	315 6	293/ & 298/	276/ & 281/	289/ & 294/	294/ & 299/	300/ & 305/
Labourers ..	287 0	270 0	253 0	266 0	271 0	277 0
Lehr Attendants ..	297 0	283 0	266 0	279 0	284 0	290 0
Sorters ..	298 0	278/ & 285/	261/ & 268/	274/ & 281/	279/ & 286/	285/ & 292/
<i>Glass Working and Glazing</i>						
Bevellers ..	374 0	320 0	326 9	316 0	332 8	327 0
Cutters and Glaziers ..	360 4	312 6	326 9	308 6	..	319 6
Lead Light Glaziers ..	360 4	320 0	..	316 0	332 8	327 0
Silverers ..	374 0	320 0	326 9	316 0	332 8	327 0
<i>Jewellery, Clock and Watch Making—</i>						
Chainmakers ..	344 0	325 6	283 6	301 0	340 2	..
Engravers ..	359 0	331 0	283/6 & 289/	304 0	340 2	..
Mounters ..	319/ to 359/	313/ to 353/	283/6 & 289/	311 0	340 2	..
Setters ..	344/ to 359/	325/6 to 353/	..	311 0	340 2	..
Watch and Clock Makers and Repairers	364 0	341 0	331 0	309 6	346 2	319/ & 362/
<i>Masonry—Marble and Stone—</i>						
Carvers ..	389 4	350 6	333 8	375 0	336 2	..
Machinists—						
Carborundum ..	376 0	287/3 & 306/6	327 0	278/ & 296/6	290 2	..
Other ..	376 0	287/3 & 306/6	327 0	278/ & 296/6	290 2	..
Masons ..	376 0	327 0	327 0	317 0	336 2	349 0
<i>Paper Bag Making—</i>						
Gullotine Cutters ..	296 9	288 9	271 9	284 9	289 9	295 9
Machinists ..	296/9 & 311/9	288/9 & 303/9	271/9 & 286/9	284/9 & 299/9	289/9 & 304/9	295/9 & 310/9
<i>Paper Making—</i>						
Beatermen ..	347 0	354 0	..	..	..	374 6
Breakermen ..	307 6	299 6	..	..	..	..
Gullotine Men ..	312 0	304 0	..	..	..	319 0
Machinemen ..	360 0	385 6	(a)262 6	..	..	392 6
Rapbreaker men ..	305 0	297 0	..	..	..	..
Other Adults ..	291 6	283 6	(a)259 6	..	..	290 6
<i>Potteries—General—</i>						
Burners—Head ..	316 9	304 6	275 6	278/ & 281/6	285 8	319 0
Hollow-ware Pressers	331 9	295 0	268 0	268 6	..	332 0
Sanitary Pressers ..	331 9	296 6	268 0	268 6	278/8 & 291/8	332 0
Throwers—1st Class ..	334/9 & 338/	288/6 to 307/	279 0	292/ & 311/	..	335 0

(a) Paper board.

## SECTION III.—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.
<i>Potteries—Pipemaking—</i>						
Burners—Head ..	311 6	304 6	275 6	296 6	300 2	319 0
Drawers ..	324 6	292 6	..	281 6	292 2	..
Moulders ..	328 0	..	..	296 6	295 2	315 6
Mould Makers ..	..	307 0	268 0	..	292 2	..
Setters ..	324 6	300 6	264 0	290/ & 296/6	292 2	319 0
<i>Quarrying—</i>						
Borers—Hand or Machine ..	335/10 & 342/4	318 0	256 2	..	293 8	312 0
Dressers ..	358 2	328 6	259 10	..	293 8	..
Facemen ..	341 5	333 0	256 2	..	293 8	312 0
Hammermen ..	335 10	333 0	256 2	284 0	293 8	312 0
Crusher Feeders ..	343 3	325 0	255 8	277 6	300 2	321 0
Quarrymen ..	358 2	..	259 10	..	..	321 0
<i>Rubber Working—</i>						
Calendar Hands ..	308/ & 320/6	300/ & 312/6	296 0	296 0	..	..
Cycle Tyre Makers ..	270 0	262 0	267 0	..	281 8	300 6
Dough Mixers ..	270 0	262 0	258 6	252 6	..	..
Hosemakers ..	272/ to 285/6	264/ to 277/6	260 0	..	..	..
Mechanical Lathe Hands ..	272/ & 279/	264/ & 271/	260 0	264 6	..	..
Mill Hands ..	270/ to 285/6	262/ to 277/6	260 0	274 0	..	..
Spreaders ..	273/ & 285/6	265/ & 277/6	260 0	..	..	..
Surgical, Packing, and other Makers ..	272/ & 290/6	264/ & 282/6	260 0	..	..	..
Tyre Moulders ..	270/ & 279/	262/ & 271/	267 0	..	281 8	300 6
<i>Leather and Canvas Work—</i>						
Canvas Workers ..	293 0	285 0	268 0	281 0	279 2	292 0
Leather Workers ..	308 0	300 0	283 0	296 0	305/2 to 320/2	307 0
<i>Sailmaking—</i>						
Sailmakers ..	305 0	297 0	280 0	293 0	..	304 0
<i>Shipbuilding(a)—</i>						
Carpenters and Joiners ..	341 6	341 6	341 6	341 6	341 6	341 6
Dockers ..	269/ to 293/6	269/ to 293/6	269/ to 293/6	269/ to 293/6	269/ to 293/6	269/ to 293/6
Painters ..	269/ to 293/6	269/ to 293/6	269/ to 293/6	269/ to 293/6	269/ to 293/6	269/ to 293/6
Shipwrights ..	325 0	325 0	325 0	325 0	325 0	325 0
<i>Soap Making—</i>						
General Hands ..	298 0	267 0	261 0	263 0	286 2	283 0
Mixers ..	305/ to 310/3	272/ to 292/6	277 3	268/ & 276/	295 2	283 0
Soap Makers ..	336 6	311 6	303 6	295 0	289 2	303 0
<i>Tanning and Currying—</i>						
Beamsmen ..	306 6	298 6	281 6	294 6	299 6	305 6
Curriers ..	331 6	323 6	306 6	319 6	324 6	330 6
Japanners or Enam- ellers ..	306 0	298 0	281 0	294 0	299 0	305 0
Linejobbers ..	304 6	296 6	279 6	292 6	297 6	303 6
<i>Machinists—</i>						
Fleshing ..	313 0	305 0	288 0	301 0	306 0	312 0
Scouring ..	295 6	287 6	270 6	283 6	288 6	294 6
Splitting ..	321/6 to 331/6	313/6 to 323/6	296/6 to 306/6	309/6 to 319/6	314/6 to 324/6	320/6 to 330/6
Unhairing ..	306 6	298 6	281 6	294 6	299 6	305 6
Rollers and Strikers ..	305/ & 307/6	297/ & 299/6	280/ & 282/6	293/ & 295/6	298/ & 300/6	304/ & 306/6
Tablemen ..	300/6 to 307/6	292/6 to 299/6	275/6 to 282/6	288/6 to 293/6	293/6 to 300/6	299/6 to 306/6
<i>Tent and Tarapulin Making—</i>						
Cutters ..	293 0	285 0	268 0	281 0	..	292 0
Machinists ..	293 0	285 0	268 0	281 0	279 2	292 0
Sewers—Hand ..	293 0	285 0	268 0	281 0	279 2	292 0
Tent Makers ..	293 0	285 0	268 0	281 0	279 2	292 0

(a) Permanent rates.

## SECTION III.—continued.

## GROUP VII.—BUILDING.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney. (a)	Melbourne. (a)	Brisbane.	Adelaide. (a)	Perth.	Hobart. (a)
	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
<i>Building—</i>						
Bricklayers—						
Sewer and Tunnel ..	398 4	392 3	343 0	362 6	380 9	384 2
Surface ..	378 4	376 8	335 6	352 6	367 5	384 2
Builders' Labourers ..	306 8	293 4	293 6	288 4	300 6	322 6
Carpenters ..	385 0	377 0	339 6	353 4	370 5	387 6
Lathers ..	385 0	377 0	339 6	353 4	368 11	384 2
Metal Ceilings ..	385 0	377 0	339 6	353 4	370 5	387 6
Masons ..	376 0	386 0	327 0	352 6	365 5	384 2
Painters, Paperhangers	381 8	374 2	335 6	340 5	366 8	384 2
Signwriters ..	394 2	374 2	337 0	340 5	366 8	384 2
Plasterers—						
Sewer or Tunnel ..	399 7	376 8	344 0	363 4	382 3	384 2
Surface ..	386 3	376 8	336 6	353 4	368 11	384 2
Plumbers, Gasfitters ..	390 4	388 3	336 6	324 0	369 11	365 0
Slaters ..	386 5	376 8	335 6		328 8	..
Tilers (Roof) ..	386 5	376 8	335 6	317 6	328 8	..
Tuckpointers ..	378 4	376 8	335 6	352 6	367 5	384 2
<i>Water Supply and Sewerage—</i>						
Concrete Workers ..	325/1 to 336/9	299/ & 308/	267/ to 286/6	259/ & 264/	280/2 to 295/2	282/ & 289/
Labourers ..	318/11 to 332/2	293 0	258/ to 273/11	241 0	272 8	276 0
Miners—Sewer ..	*349/10 to 368/9	305/ & 311/	286/6 & 291/6	269 0	285/8 to 313/11	282/ & 296/
Pipe-jointers and Setters ..	332/2 to 337/5	311 0	263 6	264/ to 274/	295/2 to 310/2	293 0

(a) Rates are weekly equivalents of hourly rates. They include allowances for leave, holidays, following the job, etc.

## GROUP VIII.—MINING.

Industry and Occupation.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Queenstand.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.
	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
<i>Coal-mining—</i>						
Blacksmiths ..	334 0	344 0	309/ & 325/	..	359 9	333 0
Bracemen ..	319 0	313 6	294/ & 310/	..	..	298 6
Carpenters ..	338 0	348 0	313/ & 329/	..	..	337 0
Deputies ..	381 6	386 0	356/6 & 372/6	..	*385 9	..
Engine Drivers—						
Locomotive ..	315/ & 388/	..	312/6 & 328/6	..	..	302/4 & 336/
Stationary ..	302/6 to 332/6	317/ & 328/	289/6 to 323/6	..	*317/ & 322/6	294/5 to 309/
Winding ..	367 0	370 0	337/ to 358/	..	*364 10	341 0
Labourers—						
Surface ..	299 6	310 6	274/6 & 290/6	..	*295 2	298 6
Underground ..	302 6	310 6	274/6 & 290/6	..	*311 0	298 6
Miners—						
Machine ..	(a) 337/6 & 360/6	(b)	335/6 & 351/6	..	*330/1 to 371/9	359 6
Manual—Dry Work	(a) 337 6	(a) 342 0	(a) 312/6 & 328/6	..	*330 1	..
Platmen or Banksmen	299/6 & 334/6	342 0	..	..	..	..
Shiftmen—						
Dry Work ..	337 6	342 0	312/6 & 328/6	..	*330 1	336 6
Wet Work ..	350 0	354 6	325/ & 341/	..	..	349 0
Shotfirers ..	370/ & 376/	380 0	345/ & 361/	..	*370 1	369 0
Timbermen ..	337 6	354 6	312/6 & 328/6	..	*330 1	336 6
Weightmen ..	304 0	..	338 6	..	*372 1	..
Whealers ..	303/6 & 306/	323 6	278/6 & 294/6	..	*313 10	302 6

(a) Piece-work rates normally operate for these occupations but minimum weekly wage rates are as shown. (b) Piece-work rates. (c) Excludes district allowances.

## SECTION III.—continued.

## GROUP VIII.—MINING—continued.

Industry and Occupation.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Queensland.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.
	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
<i>Gold and Other Mining (except Coal)—</i>					(c)	
Battery Feeders ..	306/ to 316/	258/ & 271/	269 0	274 0	310 2	269/ to 280/
Bracemen ..	309/ to 319/	268/ & 281/	274/6 & 280/	269 0	*318 1	279/ to 290/
Engine Drivers—					(a)	
Stationary ..	286/ to 322/	305/ to 326/	250/ to 314/	..	328/1 to 343/1	..
Winding and Loco.	292/ to 331/	306/ to 346/	312/6 to 314/	270 0	348/1 to 406/5	281/ to 292/
Firemen ..	281/6 to 298/	295/6 & 308/	283 6	..	312 8	..
Labourers, Under-ground ..	301/ to 311/	263/ to 276/	269 0	264 0	*306 5	274/ to 285/
Miners—						
Machine ..	320/ to 345/6	274/ to 307/	274/6 & 282/8	..	*328/1 to 346/5	285/ to 296/
Manual—						
Dry Work ..	320/ to 333/	282/ to 301/	274 6	276/ & 281/	*318/1 to 334/4	293/ to 310/
Wet Work ..	332/6 to 345/6	294/6 to 313/6	286 2	283/6 & 288/6	*325/7 to 341/10	305/6 to 322/6
Platmen ..	309/ to 319/	268/ to 281/	274 6	271 0	*318 1	279/ to 290/
Shaft Sinkers—						
Dry Work ..	323/ to 333/	288/ to 307/	274 6	281 0	*334/4 to 346/5	299/ to 316/
Wet Work ..	335/6 to 345/6	300/6 to 319/6	286 2	288 6	*341/10 to 353/11	311/6 to 328/6
Timbermen..	321/ to 338/	285/ to 303/	282 8	277/ & 282/	*334 4	296/ to 312/

(a) Excludes district allowances.

## GROUP IX.—RAILWAY AND TRAMWAY TRANSPORT.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
<i>Railways—</i>						
Engine Drivers (Loco.)—						
Railmotor ..	349/ to 386/6	338/ to 375/6	376 0	315/ to 352/6	340/2 to 409/2	347/ to 384/6
Steam, Diesel Electric or Electric ..	394/ & 409/	383/ & 398/	376 0	360/ & 375/	340/2 to 400/2	392/ & 407/
Express, Mail or Passenger ..	424 0	413 0	376 0	390 0	415 2	422 0
Shunting Engine ..	349/ & 364/	330/6 & 339/6	325/11 & 333/7	307/6 & 316/6	332/8 & 341/8	339/6 & 348/6
Firemen—						
Ordinary ..	311/6 & 326/6	300/6 & 315/6	302 0	277/6 & 292/6	289/2 to 325/2	309/6 & 324/6
Express, Mail or Passenger ..	334 0	323 0	302 6	300 0	325 2	332 0
Shunting Engine ..	298/ to 307/6	281/6 to 296/6	283 10	258/6 to 273/6	283/8 to 298/8	290/6 to 305/6
Guards—						
1st Class ..	334/ to 352/	356 0	336 3	333 0	342 2	} 328/ to 350/
2nd Class ..	328 0	319/ to 341/	329 4	307/6 & 318/6	332 8	
3rd Class, etc. ..	..	..	317 6	291/ & 300/	317 8	} 293/6 to 332/
Porters ..	291/ to 297/	280/6 to 296/	280/4 & 284/3	257/ to 281/	265/2 to 286/8	
Shunters—						
Head ..	386/6 to 412/	..	328/3 to 344/1	..	317/8 to 332/8	..
Leading ..	*344/6 to 370/6	*333/6 to 371/6	299 1	310/6 & 317/6	..	341/ & 347/
Ordinary ..	*307/ to 328/	*296/ to 317/	296 1	300 0	298/8 & 302/8	305/ to 326/

## SECTION III.—continued.

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

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
<i>Railways—continued.</i>						
Signalmen—						
Special .. ..	*401 6	*379 6	326/10 & 339/8	333/ & 348/	353 2	..
1st Class .. ..	*390 6	*353 0	321 10	318 0	325 2	} 314/ to 335/
2nd Class .. ..	375 6	336 0	313 0	303 0	313 2	
3rd Class .. ..	364 0	323 0	306 0	288 0	298 8	
4th Class .. ..	347 0	311 0	300 3	281 0	282 2	
<i>Tramways (Electric)—</i>						
Car Washers or Cleaners .. ..	295 0	286 0	261 7	261/ & 264/	273 2	291 0
Conductors—						
1st Year .. ..	299 0	286 0	271/ & 275/6	263 6	287/8 & 302/8	293 0
2nd Year .. ..	314 0	300 6	275/6 & 280/	278 6	302 8	304 6
3rd Year, etc. .. ..	314 0	300 6	280 0	278 6	302 8	304 6
Labourers .. ..	289 6	281 0	258 0	261/ & 264/	265 2	287 0
Track Repairers .. ..	297/ & 310/	289 0	258/ to 273/8	264/ & 267/	287 8	295 0
Tram Drivers .. ..	326 6	308 0	271/ to 280/	286 0	310 2	312 0
Overhead Linemen—						
Leading .. ..	374 0	335/6 to 365/6	363 6	313 6	337/8 to 367/8	342 0
Other .. ..	351 6	320 6	343 6	298 6	322 8	327 0
Pitmen .. ..	326 6	312 0	282/ & 301/6	281/ to 289/	302 8	307 0
Signalmen .. ..	334/ & 341/6	308/ & 318/	275/6 & 280/	288 6	..	..
Track Cleaners .. ..	289 6	286 0	257 0	261/ & 264/	265 2	291 0

## GROUP X.—OTHER TRANSPORT.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
<i>Carrying—Merchandise—</i>						
Drivers of Motor Vehicles—						
25 cwt. or less .. ..	(a) 314 0	281 0	277 0	277 0	301 2	288 0
Over 25 cwt. to 3 tons .. ..	(b) 321/ & 328/	290 6	286 6	286 6	311 2	297 6
Over 3 tons but under 6 tons .. ..	332/ to 340/	300 0	296 0	296 0	321 2	307 0
Motor Driver's Assis- tants .. ..	314 0	259 0	259 0	255 0	279 2	266 0
Loaders .. ..	331 0	272 0	268 0	268 0	279 2	279 0
Sanitary Carters (3 tons) .. ..	437 0	310 6	306 6	306 6	351 2	317 6
<i>Lift Attendants—</i>						
Passenger .. ..	298 0	303 0	262/ & 264/	272 0	281 2	..

(a) 20 cwt. or less.

(b) Over 20 cwt. to 3 tons.

## SECTION III.—continued.

## GROUP XI.—SHIPPING, WHARF LABOUR, ETC.

Industry and Occupation.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Queensland.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.
<i>Waterside Working—</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
Wharf Labourers per hour (a)	9 10	9 10	9/10 to 10/3	9 10	9 10	9 10
<i>Passenger Vessels—Interstate (b)—</i>	<i>£ s. d.</i>					
Bakers per month			53/18/6 to 60/11/0(c)			
Barmen .. ..			53/18/6(d)			
Butchers .. ..			57/3/6 to 59/6/0(c)			
Cooks—						
Chief .. ..			64/11/0 & 68/6/0(c)			
Second .. ..			58/6/0/ to 62/3/6(c)			
Third .. ..			53/13/6(c)			
Ships .. ..			57/3/6(c)			
Pantrymen .. ..			53/6/0 to 55/11/0(c)			
Scullerymen .. ..			52/11/0(b)			
Stewards—						
Chief Saloon ..			66/16/0 to 74/16/0(d)			
Second .. ..			57/16/0(d)			
Second Saloon..			56/3/6(d)			
Fore Cabin .. ..			55/11/0(d)			
Bedroom and Other .. ..			52/11/0 to 53/6/0(d)			
<i>All Vessels—Interstate c—</i>						
A. B. Seamen per month			56/13/6			
Boatswains .. ..			57/13/6			
Donkeymen .. ..			58/13/6			
Firemen .. ..			58/3/6			
Greasers .. ..			58/3/6			
Lamp Trimmers ..			57/13/6			
Fuel Trimmers ..			55/13/6			
<i>Marine Engineers b e f—</i>						
		<i>Vessels (Steam)</i>		<i>Vessels (Steam)</i>		
		100 N.H.P. and under		Over 100 N.H.P.		
Chief per month		91/7/0 to 98/4/6		101/19/6 to 149/9/6		
Second .. ..		78/4/6		78/4/6 to 101/19/6		
Third .. ..		71/7/0		71/7/0 to 86/19/6		
Fourth .. ..		..		63/18/6 to 79/9/6		
Fifth and under ..		..		62/13/6		
		<i>Seagoing Passenger Vessels.</i>		<i>Seagoing Cargo Vessels.</i>		
<i>Merchant Service b f g—</i>		<i>Under 125 tons.</i>	<i>Over 10,000 tons.</i>	<i>Under 60 tons.</i>	<i>Over 10,000 tons.</i>	
Masters per month		92/13/6	231/19/6	81/13/6	176/19/6	
Officers—						
Chief .. ..		75/3/6	101/19/6	67/13/6	91/19/6	
Second .. ..		67/13/6	91/19/6	62/13/6	84/9/6	
Third .. ..		..	80/14/6	..	75/14/6	
4th, 5th and 6th .. ..		..	62/13/6	..	62/13/6	

(a) Rates of wage quoted are for casuals on other than special cargo. (b) Rates of wage quoted are in addition to victualling and accommodation, valued at £8 11s. per month. (c) Not more than 8 hours per day. (d) Not more than 8 hours per day within a spread of 15 consecutive hours when at sea, between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m. in terminal ports and between 6 a.m. and 5 p.m. in intermediate ports. (e) Minimum rates under the Commonwealth Award are classified according to nominal horsepower of vessels. (f) Ordinary lengths of duty in a day at sea or in port or partly at sea and partly in port shall be 8 hours. (g) 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 given here.

## SECTION III.—continued.

## GROUP XII.—PASTORAL, AGRICULTURAL, ETC.

Industry and Occupation.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Queensland.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.
	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
<b>Farming—</b>						
Harvesters .. ..	*404 0		..	..	268 11	*289 0
Milkers .. ..	*299 0	*302 0	..	..	268 11	*289 0
<b>Chaffcutting—</b>						
Feeders (Travelling plant)	314 0	308 9	..	274 9	308 2	*365 0
Feeders (Stationary mill)	314 0	296 9	..	274 9	308 2	*365 0
<b>Gardening—</b>						
Gardeners .. ..	319 0	291 0	260 0	263 0	286 8	282 0
Gardeners' Labourers ..	309 0	281 0	251 0	258 0	276 8	276 0
Nurserymen .. ..	324 0	283/6 & 299/	260 0	289 6	293 8	312 0
Nurserymen's Labourers .. ..	309 0	272 0	251 0	258 0	276 8	284 0
<b>Pastoral Workers (a)—</b>						
Cooks .. ..	629 9	629 9	629/7 & 650/2	629 9	629 9	629 9
<b>Shearers—</b>						
Hand .. per 100	160 9	160 9	152 0	160 9	160 9	160 9
Machine .. ..	149 6	149 6	152 0	149 6	149 6	149 6
Shed Hands .. ..	462 8	462 8	453 11	462 8	462 8	462 8
Wool Pressers .. ..	517 1	517 1	512 7	517 1	517 1	517 1
<b>Rural Workers—</b>						
Fruit Harvesters .. ..	*255/ to 264/	*253/ to 256/	..	*251/ to 256/	..	*260/ & 261/

(a) Shearers' and woolpressers' hours are 40 per week; shed hands' hours are the same as shearers', with such additional time as may be necessary to finish picking up fleeces, etc. Should the time engaged picking up, etc., exceed 30 minutes per day, all time thereafter must be paid as overtime. The hours of cooks are not regulated. Rates shown are "not found" rates. "Found" rates are £5 a week less except in Queensland, where they are £4 14s. 5d. a week less.

## GROUP XIII.—DOMESTIC, HOTELS, ETC.

NOTE.—The rates of wage specified 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
	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
<b>Hairdressing—</b>						
Hairdressers (Men's) ..	329/ to 339/	328 0	288/ & 296/	318 6	315 2	319 0
<b>Hotels—</b>						
Barmen .. ..	293 0	285 0	247 0	283 6	315 2	290 0
Billiard Markers .. ..	273 0	265 0	255 0	246 0	270 2	270 0
Chefs .. ..	294/ to 368/	286/ to 360/	279/ & 285/	303/6 to 366/	300/2 to 310/2	291/ to 365/
Cooks—Second .. ..	205/6 to 324/	287/6 to 316/	270 0	275/ to 291/	284/8 to 290/2	292/6 to 321/
Cooks—Third .. ..	283 0	275 0	270 0	271 0	280 2	280 0
Handymen .. ..	273 0	265 0	255 0	244 6	270 2	270 0
Kitchenmen .. ..	273 0	265 0	257 6	246 0	270 2	270 0
Lift Attendants .. ..	273 0	265 0	262 0	272 0	270 2	270 0
Porters—Day Work ..	273 0	265 0	255 0	248 0	275 2	270 0
Porters—Night Work ..	273 0	265 0	262 0	248 0	280 2	270 0
Waiters—Head .. ..	293 0	285 0	260 0	266/ & 273/6	..	290 0
Waiters—Other .. ..	273 0	265 0	255 0	255 0	275 2	270 0
<b>Restaurants—</b>						
Cooks (Single) .. ..	333 0	301 0	284 6	268 6	290 2	302 0
Pantrymen .. ..	299 6	283 0	260 6	244 6	270 2	285 6
Waiters .. ..	299/6 & 302/	283 0	260 6	254 9	275 2	282 0



## SECTION III.—continued.

## 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.
<i>Factory Engine Driving—</i>						
<i>Engine Drivers (Stationary)—</i>						
1st Class ..	305/6 & 316/	297/6 & 308/	304 0	293/6 & 304/	(a) 310 2	304/6 & 315/
2nd Class ..	295/ & 305/6	287/ & 297/6	293 6	283/ & 293/6	(a) 310 2	294/ & 304/6
3rd Class ..	..	..	281 0	..	(a) 300 2	..
<i>Firemen—</i>						
1st Class ..	298 0	290 0	273 6	273 6	(a) 300 2	297 0
2nd Class ..	285 6	277 6	273 6	286 0	(a) 288 2	284 6
<i>Greasers ..</i>	276/ & 294/	268/ & 286/	264 0	264/ & 282/	(a) 284 8	275/ & 293/
<i>Trimmers ..</i>	272 0	264 0	260 0	260 0	(a) 281 8	271 0
<i>Municipal—</i>						
<i>Labourers ..</i>	327 0	296 6	258 0	249 0	267 8	276 0
<i>Street Sweepers ..</i>	313 0	302 0	258 0	256/ & 261/	267/8 to 278/8	276 0
<i>Shop and other Assistants—</i>						
<i>Boot Salesmen ..</i>	326 0	313 0	291 0	279 6	306 8	322 0
<i>Chemists' Assistants ..</i>	404 0	383 0	328 6	326 6	289/6 & 300/5	357 6
<i>Clerks ..</i>	321 0	327 0	291 0	279 6	325 2	338 0
<i>Drapery Salesmen ..</i>	326 0	313 0	291 0	279 6		322 0
<i>Furniture Salesmen ..</i>	326 0	317 0	291 0	279 6		326 0
<i>Grocery Salesmen ..</i>	326 0	307 6	291 0	279 6		322 0
<i>Hardware Salesmen ..</i>	326 0	313 0	291 0	279 6	306 8	322 0
<i>Railway Bookstall Assistants ..</i>	326 6	300 0	291 0	279 6		322 0
<i>Tobacconists' Assis. ..</i>	326 0	313 0	291 0	279 6		302 0
<i>Storemen — Packing, Cleaning, etc.—</i>						
<i>Night Watchmen ..</i>	300 0	283 0	266 0	253 6	309 2	..
<i>Office Cleaners (Day) ..</i>	302/ & 306/	280 0	263 0	241 0	290 2	276 0
<i>Packers—General ..</i>	314/ & 318/	306 6	278 0			
<i>Storemen—General ..</i>	314/ & 315/	306-6	278 0			
<i>Wholesale Grocery—</i>						
<i>Packers ..</i>	314 0	306/ & 309/6	278 0	267 0	301 8	278 0
<i>Storemen ..</i>	310 0	306/ & 309/6	278 0			
<i>Wholesale Hardware—</i>						
<i>Packers ..</i>	314/ & 318/	306 6	278 0			
<i>Storemen ..</i>	310/ & 314/	306 6	278 0			

(a) Rates shown are those for the sawmilling industry.



SECTION IV.—*continued.*GROUP IV.—CLOTHING, TEXTILES, ETC.—*continued.*

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
<i>Men's Tailoring (Ready Made)—</i>						
Coat Hands (Machinists) ..	210 6	210 6	210 6	210 6	210 6	210 6
Trousers, Vest Hands ..	205 6	205 6	205 6	205 6	205 6	205 6
Adult Females ..	190 6	190 6	190 0	190 6	190 6	190 6
<i>Textile Working (Woolen Mills)—</i>						
Comb Minders ..	204 6	204 6	} 191 3 {	199 0	204 6	204 6
Darners and Mendays ..	206/6 & 209/6	206/6 & 209/6		201/ & 204/6	206/6 & 209/6	206/6 & 209/6
Warpers, Plain ..	206 6	206 6		201 0	206 6	206 6
Weavers, Loom ..	209 6	209 6		204 0	209 6	209 6
Other Adults ..	188 6	188 6		183 0	193 6	188 6
<i>Underclothing—</i>						
Adult Females ..	190/6 to 220/6	190/6 to 220/6	190/5 to 220/6	190/6 to 220/6	190/6 to 220/6	190/6 to 220/6

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

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
<i>Bedding and Furniture—</i>						
Bedding Machinists ..	209 0	203 6	184 8	200 6	184 11	209 0
Picture Frame Workers ..	225/ & 328/	191 0	220/1 & 270/5	188 0	184 11	196 6
<i>Bookbinding—</i>						
Folders and Sewers ..	213 6	207 6	195 0	204 6	208 6	213 0
<i>Brushmaking—</i>						
Adult Females ..	215/6 & 225/6	203/ & 205/6	169 0	192/3 to 199/3	177 4	..
<i>Candle and Soap Making—</i>						
Adult Females ..	205 6	196 0	195 9	196 9	176 10	..
<i>Cardboard Box Making—</i>						
Box Makers ..	208/6 to 218/	202/6 to 212/	199 6	199/6 to 209/	203/6 to 213/	208/ to 217/6
Other Adults ..	202 0	196 0	191 6	193 0	197 0	201 6
<i>Jewellery—</i>						
Chainmakers ..	344 0	} 213 0 {	190 0	} 221 6 {	..	..
Gilders ..	221 6		180 0		..	..
Polishers ..	221 6		180 0		..	..
Scratch Brushers ..	221 6		180 0		..	..
<i>Leather Goods—</i>						
Adult Females ..	209 6	205 6	191 3	200 6	188 4	209 0
<i>Paper Making—</i>						
Adult Females ..	208 6	202 6	(a) 176 6	..	..	208 0
<i>Paper Bag Making—</i>						
Adult Females ..	202/ to 211/6	196/ to 205/6	183/6 to 193/	193/ to 202/6	197/ to 206/6	201/6 to 211/
<i>Potteries—</i>						
Adult Females ..	211 6	200 6	173 6	194 5	172 4	..
<i>Printing—</i>						
Jobbing Office Assistants ..	213 6	207 6	195 0	204 6	208 6	213 0
Lithographic Feeders ..	213 6	207 6	195 0	204 6	208 6	213 0
<i>Rubber Working—</i>						
Adult Females ..	197 6	191 6	184 0	202 0	..	..
<i>Tent and Tarpaulin Making—</i>						
Machinists ..	209 6	203 6	191 0	200 6	177 4	209 0

(a) Paper board making.

SECTION IV.—*continued.*

## 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.
	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
<b>Hotels—</b>						
Barmaids .. ..	227 0	285 0	198 6	..	315 2	226 6
Housemaids .. ..	206 6	200 6	179 0	197 0	192 5	206 0
Laundresses .. ..	207 6	201 6	185 0	203 6	192 5	207 0
Waitresses—Head ..	213 6	207 6	184 0	202 0	..	213 0
.. Other .. ..	206 6	200 6	179 0	197 0	192 5	206 0
<b>Laundries—</b>						
General Hands .. ..	205 6	198 6	..	204 6	..	204 0
Machinists—Shirt and Collar .. ..	207 0	205 6	..	211 6	..	204 0
Sorters .. ..	207 0	198 6	175 0	211 6	179 10	204 0
Starchers .. ..	205 6	205 6	..	207 6	..	204 0
Washers .. ..	205 6	205/6 & 257/6	..	207/6 & 242/	..	215/ & 225/
<b>Office Cleaning (Day)—</b>						
Adult Females .. ..	214/6 & 216/6	266 0	193 0	180 6	197 4	..
<b>Restaurants—</b>						
Pantry Maids .. ..	213 0	208 6	179 6	195 0	189 10	217 6
Waitresses .. ..	213 0	208 6	..	196 6	192 4	214 0

## GROUP XIV.—SHOP ASSISTANTS, CLERKS, ETC.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
<b>Clerical—</b>						
Cashiers (Shops) ..	237 6	239 6	205 6	209 6	214 4	231 0
Clerks .. ..	230 6	239 6	205 6	209 6	214 4	231 0
Ledger Machinists ..	237 0	245 3	213 0	218 0	220 4	238 0
Stenographers .. ..	237 0	245 3	205 6	218 0	220 4	238 0
Typists .. ..	230 6	245 3	205 6	218 0	214 4	231 0
<b>Saleswomen—</b>						
Boots and Shoes .. ..	237/6 & 326/	222 0	200 0	209 6	..	219/6 & 289/10
Drapery .. ..	237/6 & 326/	226/6 & 319/	200/ & 291/	209/6 & 279/6	..	219/6 & 289/10
Fruit and Confectionery	237 6	218 0	200 0	205 9	202 4	214 0
Newsagent and Book-stall .. ..	237 6	204/6 & 211/	200 0	209 6	..	219 6
Tobacconists .. ..	237 6	224 6	200 0	205 0	..	214 0

## SECTION V.

## WEEKLY RATES OF WAGE AND HOURS OF LABOUR: AUSTRALIA, THE UNITED KINGDOM AND NEW ZEALAND.

(Wages are quoted in the currency of the country concerned.)

Industry and Occupation.	AUSTRALIA (SYDNEY).				UNITED KINGDOM (LONDON).				NEW ZEALAND (AUCKLAND).			
	31st December, 1938.		31st December, 1956.		31st December, 1938.		31st December, 1956.		31st December, 1938.		31st December, 1956.	
	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.
	<i>s. d.</i>		<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>		<i>s. d.</i>		<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>		<i>s. d.</i>	
<i>Furniture—</i>												
Cabinet Maker .. ..	107 0	44	346 0	40	82 3	47	} 192 6	44	{ 110 0	40	245 3	40
Upholsterer .. ..	107 0	44	346 0	40	82 3	47						
French Polisher .. ..	107 0	44	346 0	40	82 3	47						
<i>Sawmilling—</i>												
Machinist, Planing .. ..	91 0 and 100 0	44	296 0 and 323 0	40	..	..	..	..	103 4	40	253 8	40
Machinist, Shaping .. ..	105 0	44	323 0	40	..	..	..	..	103 4	40	253 8	40
Sawyer, Band or Jig .. ..	95 0 to 108 0	44	295 6 to 328 0	40	..	..	..	..	96 8	40	238 11	40
Sawyer, Circular .. ..	95 0 to 102 0	44	298 0 and 320 0	40	..	..	..	..	112 6	40	264 1	40
<i>Engineering and Metal Working—</i>												
Fitter and Turner .. ..	108 0 and 112 0	44	328 0	40	70 11	47	172 11½	44	110 0	40	254 1	40
Patternmaker .. ..	120 0	44	350 6	40	71 3	47	..	..	110 0	40	254 1	40
Moulder (Iron) .. ..	90 0 to 111 0	44	281 0 to 328 0	40	70 11	44	177 7½	44	110 0	40	250 9	40
Tinsmith .. ..	101 6	44	303 0 and 328 0	40	..	..	..	..	110 0	40	253 3	40
<i>Milling (Flour)—</i>												
Miller (shift) .. ..	97 0 to 107 6	44	322 6 to 360 0	40	71 0 and 73 0	42	213 6	42	(a) 99 4	40	(b) 258 0	40
Packerman .. ..	85 0	44	298 0	40	..	..	..	..	95 4	40	234 5	40

(a) Kilnman. (b) Roller. Not comparable with previous years.

## SECTION V.—continued.

## WEEKLY RATES OF WAGE AND HOURS OF LABOUR: AUSTRALIA THE UNITED KINGDOM AND NEW ZEALAND—continued.

Industry and Occupation.	AUSTRALIA (SYDNEY).				UNITED KINGDOM (LONDON).				NEW ZEALAND (AUCKLAND).			
	31st December, 1938.		31st December, 1956.		31st December, 1938.		31st December, 1956.		31st December, 1938.		31st December, 1956.	
	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.
	<i>s. d.</i>		<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>		<i>s. d.</i>		<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>		<i>s. d.</i>	
<i>Bootmaker (Manufacturing)—</i> Bootmaker .. .. .	104 0	44	302 0	40	51 6 to 58 0	45	160 0	45	91 8	40	244 10	40
<i>Tailoring (Ready-made)—</i> Cutter .. .. .	101 0	44	310 0	40	..	..	..	..	102 6	40	239 11	40
Presser (Coat) .. .. .	98 0	44	297 0	40	..	..	..	..	92 6	40	223 2	40
Trimmer .. .. .	98 0	44	297 0	40	..	..	..	..	92 6	40	239 11	40
<i>Bookbinding—</i> Bookbinder .. .. .	108 0	44	328 0	40	80 0	45	222 0	43½	107 6	40	253 8	40
Paper Ruler .. .. .	108 0	44	328 0	40	80 0	45	222 0	43½	107 6	40	..	..
<i>Printing (Daily Newspaper)—</i> Compositor (Day Work) .. .. .	131 0	44	434 0	40	89 0	45	..	..	107 6	40	253 8	40
Reader (Day Work) .. .. .	139 6	44	399 0	40	..	..	..	..	112 6	40	268 5	40
<i>Printing (Jobbing Offices)—</i> Compositor .. .. .	108 0 and 117 0	44	328 0 to 350 6	40	89 0	45	222 0	43½	107 6	40	253 8	40
Linotype Operator (Day Work) ..	117 0	44	350 6	40	..	..	..	..	115 0	40	263 6	40
<i>Building—</i> Bricklayer .. .. .	121 0	44	378 4	40	77 0	44	192 6 and 194 4	44	115 0	40	256 2	40
Carpenter .. .. .	121 0	44	385 0	40	77 0	44	192 6 and 194 4		112 6	40	246 7	40

## SECTION V.—continued.

## WEEKLY RATES OF WAGE AND HOURS OF LABOUR: AUSTRALIA, THE UNITED KINGDOM AND NEW ZEALAND

Industry and Occupation.	AUSTRALIA (SYDNEY).				UNITED KINGDOM (LONDON).				NEW ZEALAND (AUCKLAND).			
	31st December, 1938.		31st December, 1956.		31st December, 1938.		31st December, 1956.		31st December, 1938.		31st December, 1956.	
	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.
<i>Building—continued.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>		<i>s. d.</i>		<i>s. d.</i>		<i>s. d.</i>		<i>s. d.</i>		<i>s. d.</i>	
Labourer—Carpenter's ..	87 0	44	306 8	40	57 9	44	168 8	44	93 4	40	225 2	40
Concrete Worker ..	87 0	44			(a)	(a)	and	93 4	40			
Earth Excavator ..	87 0	44			(a)	(a)	170 6	44	93 4	40		
Painter ..	114 4	44	381 8	40	73 4	44	192 6	44	110 0	40	245 3	40
Paperhanger ..	114 4	44	381 8	40	77 0	44	and	110 0	40	245 3	40	
Plasterer ..	121 0	44	386 3	40	77 0	44	194 4	44	115 0	40	255 9	40
Plumber ..	125 0	44	390 4	40	77 0	44			110 0	40	259 5	40
<i>Tramways—</i>												
Conductor—												
1st year ..	87 0	44	299 0	40	73 0 to 82 0	48	179 6	44	95 10 and 100 0	40	222 3	40
2nd year ..	90 0	44	314 0	40			179 6				227 2	
3rd year, etc. ..	93 0	44	314 0	40			189 6				227 2	
Motorman—												
1st year ..	99 0	44	326 6	40	73 0	48	181 6	44	100 0	40	236 0	40
2nd year ..	99 0	44			to	181 6	and					
3rd year, etc. ..	99 0	44			82 0	193 6	103 4					
<i>Carrying (Merchandise)—</i>												
Motor Waggon Driver (2-4 tons)	92 0	44	321 0 and 328 0	40	60 0 and 61 0	48	155 0 and 156 0	44	93 0	40	226 3	40
<i>Municipal—Labourer</i> ..	94 6	44	337 0	40	58 8 to 64 6	47	167 8	44	90 0	40	236 0	40

(a) Not available.

## SECTION VI.

## BASIC WAGE RATES—1923 TO 1957.

*(Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Commission(a).)*

The following table shows the basic weekly wage rates prescribed for adult males under periodical decisions of the Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Commission, including automatic variations made prior to 12th September, 1953 in accordance with quarterly changes in the retail price index for the city or combination of cities shown at the head of the table. On that date the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration announced its decision to discontinue the system of automatic adjustment of the basic wage in accordance with variations occurring in retail price index numbers. The amount *legally* payable in any specific instance must be determined by reference to the appropriate award.

- (1) The rates of wage shown include "Powers 3s." (or the equivalent thereof) and "Prosperity" loadings, where applicable.
- (2) The 10 per cent. reduction operative from February, 1931, to May, 1934, has been applied.
- (3) Generally the rates operated from the beginning of the first pay-period commencing in the month indicated.

Date Operative.	Sydney.	Mel-bourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.	Six Capitals.
1923—	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
February ..	82 6	82 0	73 0	78 0	73 6	81 6	80 6
May ..	"	81 6	73 6	79 6	74 0	83 0	"
August ..	86 6	87 6	75 0	84 0	79 6	87 6	85 0
November ..	89 0	91 6	76 0	85 6	78 0	89 0	87 6
1924—							
February ..	87 0	87 6	77 6	84 0	76 0	89 6	85 0
May ..	86 0	85 6	77 0	"	78 0	"	84 6
August ..	85 6	85 0	75 0	85 6	78 6	88 6	84 0
November ..	84 6	84 6	"	84 0	79 0	88 0	83 0
1925—							
February ..	85 0	84 0	74 0	83 6	79 6	87 0	83 6
May ..	86 0	85 6	75 0	85 0	81 0	"	84 6
August ..	87 0	87 0	76 6	87 6	82 6	"	85 6
November ..	88 0	87 6	77 0	86 0	81 0	85 6	86 0
1926—							
February ..	89 6	"	78 6	85 6	77 6	86 0	86 6
May ..	90 6	88 6	82 0	86 6	81 6	89 0	88 0
August ..	92 6	92 0	"	89 6	84 0	"	90 6
November ..	91 6	89 0	82 6	85 6	81 6	88 6	88 6
1927—							
February ..	"	88 6	83 0	84 6	80 0	87 0	88 0
May ..	90 6	87 6	80 6	86 0	"	86 6	87 6
August ..	89 6	87 0	78 6	"	80 6	85 6	86 6
November ..	90 6	90 0	79 6	88 0	79 6	85 0	88 0
1928—							
February ..	93 0	89 6	80 6	87 0	80 0	84 0	89 0
May ..	91 6	88 0	79 6	87 6	"	82 6	88 0
August ..	92 0	87 6	"	"	84 0	83 0	"
November ..	90 6	86 0	79 0	85 0	85 0	82 6	87 0
1929—							
February ..	91 0	"	80 0	84 0	"	83 0	"
May ..	95 0	89 6	81 6	88 0	86 0	86 0	90 6
August ..	94 6	90 0	80 6	88 6	86 6	85 6	"
November ..	95 0	"	"	"	85 6	86 0	"

(a) Prior to 30th June, 1956, Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration.



## SECTION VI.—continued.

Date Operative.	Sydney.	Mel- bourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.	Six Capitals.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
1930—							
February ..	95 6	..	81 0	87 0	83 6	86 6	..
May ..	92 0	86 0	77 6	84 0	82 6	84 0	87 0
August ..	91 0	85 6	73 0	82 6	82 0	..	86 0
November ..	88 0	83 0	70 6	78 0	79 0	82 0	83 0
1931—							
*February ..	76 6	70 2	60 9	66 2	66 2	70 2	71 1
May ..	74 3	68 5	..	64 4	66 7	68 10	69 4
August ..	72 11	65 8	60 4	62 1	65 8	67 1	67 6
November ..	70 8	63 5	58 6	58 1	62 1	64 4	65 3
1932—							
February ..	68 10	..	..	..	60 9	64 10	64 4
May ..	..	63 11	..	58 11	61 8	65 3	64 10
August ..	68 5	63 0	57 7	58 6	..	65 8	63 11
November ..	67 6	61 8	56 8	57 2	59 5	64 4	63 0
1933—							
February ..	66 7	60 4	55 10	55 4	58 1	63 5	61 8
May ..	67 10	63 4	59 4	59 2	59 9	64 10	64 2
August ..	66 11	62 5	58 10	..	58 10	63 10	63 4
November ..	..	62 10	59 4	59 7	60 3	63 11	..
1934—							
February ..	..	63 4	..	60 2	59 3	64 10	63 9
*May ..	67 0	64 0	61 0	164 0	66 0	167 0	65 0
June ..	68 0	..	62 0	165 0	..	† ..	66 0
September ..	..	..	..	† ..	68 0	167 0	..
December ..	..	..	..	† ..	..	† ..	..
1935—							
March ..	..	66 0	..	† ..	..	169 0	..
June ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
September ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
December ..	70 0	..	64 0	67 0	..	..	68 0
1936—							
March ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
June ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
September ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
December ..	..	69 0	66 0	69 0	71 0	..	..
1937—							
March ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	70 0
June ..	72 0	..	68 0	..	..	..	..
*July ..	75 0	72 0	71 0	70 0	72 0	72 0	73 0
September ..	..	73 0	70 0	71 0	73 0	73 0	..
*October ..	78 0	76 0	73 0	73 0	75 0	75 0	75 0
December ..	..	77 0	74 0	74 0	..	..	76 0
1938—							
March ..	79 0	..	..	75 0	74 0	76 0	77 0
June ..	..	..	75 0	..	75 0	..	..
September ..	80 0	78 0	..	76 0	76 0	..	..
December ..	81 0	79 0	..	..	..	..	78 0
1939—							
March ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
June ..	82 0	81 0	77 0	78 0	77 0	77 0	79 0
September ..	81 0	..	76 0	..	..	..	..
December ..	82 0	80 0	..	77 0	..	..	..
1940—							
February ..	..	81 0	77 0	..	..	78 0	80 0
May ..	83 0	82 0	78 0	78 0	..	..	..
August ..	85 0	84 0	79 0	80 0	79 0	80 0	82 0
November ..	..	..	..	..	80 0	81 0	83 0

\* Rates declared subsequent to an inquiry. † Except in special cases these rates were subject to graduated deductions so that the increase granted in May, 1934, was, in effect, introduced in stages over the succeeding twelve months.

## SECTION VI.—continued.

Date Operative. ■	Sydney.	Mel- bourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.	Six Capitals.
	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
1941—							
February ..	88 0	86 0	82 0	82 0	81 0	83 0	85 0
May ..	"	87 0	83 0	83 0	82 0	84 0	86 0
August ..	89 0	"	"	"	84 0	85 0	"
November ..	"	88 0	84 0	84 0	85 0	"	87 0
1942—							
February ..	91 0	89 0	86 0	86 0	86 0	87 0	88 0
May ..	93 0	92 0	88 0	88 0	87 0	88 0	90 0
August ..	95 0	94 0	89 0	91 0	89 0	91 0	93 0
November ..	97 0	97 0	91 0	93 0	91 0	92 0	95 0
1943—							
February ..	98 0	98 0	"	"	92 0	94 0	96 0
May ..	"	"	92 0	"	"	"	"
August ..	100 0	99 0	94 0	94 0	94 0	95 0	98 0
November ..	99 0	98 0	93 0	"	"	"	97 0
1944—							
February ..	"	97 0	"	93 0	93 0	94 0	96 0
May ..	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
August ..	"	98 0	"	"	"	93 0	"
November ..	"	"	"	"	94 0	94 0	"
1945—							
February ..	"	"	"	"	93 0	"	"
May ..	98 0	"	"	"	"	93 0	"
August ..	"	"	"	"	94 0	"	"
November ..	99 0	"	"	"	"	94 0	"
1946—							
February ..	"	"	"	94 0	"	95 0	"
May ..	"	"	94 0	"	"	"	97 0
August ..	100 0	99 0	"	95 0	95 0	96 0	98 0
November ..	101 0	"	"	"	"	97 0	"
*December ..	108 0	106 0	101 0	102 0	102 0	103 0	105 0
1947—							
February ..	"	107 0	103 0	"	103 0	104 0	106 0
May ..	110 0	"	104 0	103 0	"	"	"
August ..	"	108 0	"	104 0	104 0	105 0	107 0
November ..	112 0	109 0	105 0	106 0	106 0	107 0	109 0
1948—							
February ..	114 0	113 0	107 0	108 0	107 0	110 0	111 0
May ..	116 0	115 0	110 0	111 0	110 0	112 0	114 0
August ..	120 0	117 0	113 0	114 0	112 0	115 0	116 0
November ..	122 0	120 0	115 0	116 0	116 0	118 0	119 0
1949—							
February ..	124 0	123 0	118 0	119 0	118 0	121 0	122 0
May ..	127 0	125 0	119 0	121 0	120 0	124 0	124 0
August ..	130 0	128 0	122 0	124 0	126 0	127 0	127 0
November ..	132 0	130 0	125 0	126 0	129 0	128 0	129 0
1950—							
February ..	135 0	134 0	127 0	129 0	131 0	131 0	133 0
May ..	138 0	137 0	129 0	131 0	133 0	"	135 0
August ..	142 0	140 0	132 0	134 0	136 0	135 0	138 0
November ..	146 0	143 0	135 0	137 0	139 0	139 0	142 0
*December ..	165 0	162 0	154 0	158 0	160 0	160 0	162 0
1951—							
February ..	173 0	170 0	159 0	166 0	166 0	165 0	169 0
May ..	180 0	177 0	166 0	171 0	176 0	173 0	176 0
August ..	193 0	189 0	175 0	184 0	188 0	187 0	189 0
November ..	207 0	199 0	185 0	195 0	197 0	199 0	200 0

\* Rates declared subsequent to an inquiry.

SECTION VI.—*continued.*

Date Operative.	Sydney.	Mel- bourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.	Six Capitals.
	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
1952—							
February ..	216 0	209 0	199 0	205 0	205 0	208 0	210 0
May ..	223 0	212 0	207 0	211 0	214 0	214 0	216 0
August ..	235 0	224 0	213 0	224 0	222 0	222 0	227 0
November ..	237 0	228 0	216 0	229 0	228 0	230 0	231 0
1953—							
February ..	238 0	229 0	215 0	225 0	229 0	232 0	231 0
May ..	241 0	232 0	217 0	228 0	231 0	239 0	234 0
†August ..	243 0	235 0	218 0	231 0	236 0	242 0	236 0
1956—							
*†June ..	253 0	245 0	228 0	241 0	246 0	252 0	246 0
1957—							
*§May ..	263 0	255 0	238 0	251 0	256 0	262 0	256 0

\* Rates declared subsequent to an inquiry. † By the decision of the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration, announced on 12th September, 1953, automatic adjustment of basic wages in accordance with variations occurring in retail price index numbers was discontinued in Commonwealth awards either then the subject of applications before the Court or subsequently reviewed by the Court in this connexion. ‡ Consequent on the 1955-56 Basic Wage Inquiry the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration granted an increase of 10s. in adult male basic wages under awards of the Court from the first pay-period in June, 1956. § As a result of the 1956-57 basic wage case, the Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Commission increased all adult male basic wages payable under awards within its jurisdiction by 10s. from the first pay-period on or after 15th May, 1957.

## SECTION VII.

## COMPARATIVE INDEX NUMBERS FOR THE SIX CAPITAL CITIES COMBINED.

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

Period.	Retail Price Index Numbers.					Total "C" Series Retail Price Index (b)	Nominal Wage Rates, Adult Males.	Real Wage Rates.(b)(d)		
	Food and Groceries.(b)	Rent (4 and 5 Roomed Houses). (c)	Clothing.	Miscel- laneous.						
Year.										
1911 ..	1,000	1,000	(e) 1,000	(e) 1,000	(e) 1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000		
1914 ..	1,144	1,082	1,140	1,140	1,140	1,081	948			
1921 ..	1,902	1,410	1,883	1,537	1,680	1,826	1,087			
1928 ..	1,761	1,743	1,507	1,537	1,675	1,963	1,172			
1932 ..	1,425	1,336	1,215	1,458	1,377	1,639	1,190			
1938 ..	1,584	1,540	1,253	1,463	1,488	1,799	1,209			
1939 ..	1,657	1,577	1,271	1,465	1,526	1,846	1,210			
1946 ..	1,852	1,596	2,276	1,776	1,900	2,400	1,263			
1947 ..	1,967	1,597	2,367	1,825	1,971	2,598	1,318			
1948 ..	2,245	1,601	2,637	1,913	2,148	2,914	1,357			
1949 ..	2,492	1,605	3,019	2,037	2,349	3,210	1,367			
1950 ..	2,800	1,613	3,455	2,184	2,589	3,596	1,389			
1951 ..	3,649	1,649	4,156	2,555	3,124	4,495	1,439			
1952 ..	4,516	1,728	4,657	2,980	3,645	5,241	1,438			
1953 ..	4,723	1,861	4,872	3,126	3,820	5,539	1,450			
1954 ..	4,776	1,949	4,865	3,139	3,860	5,632	1,459			
1955 ..	5,027	2,005	4,894	3,168	3,970	5,773	1,454			
1956 ..	A 5,227   B 5,514	2,166	4,930	3,403	A 4,130   B 4,226	6,049	A 1,465   B 1,431			
1957 ..	5,315   5,311	2,256	5,075	3,611	4,259   4,257	6,253	1,468   1,469			
Quarter—										
1950.										
December ..	3,020	1,618	3,643	2,271	2,726	4,009	1,471			
1951.										
March ..	3,201	1,641	3,760	2,381	2,843	4,142	1,457			
June ..	3,443	1,646	4,151	2,498	3,042	4,387	1,442			
September ..	3,819	1,651	4,283	2,611	3,224	4,601	1,427			
December ..	4,133	1,656	4,429	2,731	3,388	4,850	1,432			
1952.										
March ..	4,298	1,672	4,523	2,783	3,481	5,036	1,447			
June ..	4,589	1,702	4,685	2,967	3,661	5,156	1,408			
September ..	4,633	1,750	4,709	3,072	3,714	5,345	1,439			
December ..	4,544	1,789	4,712	3,098	3,722	5,428	1,458			
1953.										
March ..	4,599	1,835	4,838	3,118	3,763	5,443	1,446			
June ..	4,658	1,857	4,906	3,122	3,805	5,512	1,449			
September ..	4,804	1,870	4,880	3,127	3,851	5,591	1,452			
December ..	4,831	1,882	4,863	3,136	3,861	5,611	1,453			
1954.										
March ..	4,798	1,900	4,880	3,151	3,861	5,622	1,456			
June ..	4,774	1,947	4,856	3,137	3,856	5,624	1,459			
September ..	4,746	1,970	4,853	3,133	3,851	5,623	1,460			
December ..	4,787	1,977	4,870	3,136	3,871	5,658	1,462			
1955.										
March ..	4,882	1,983	4,865	3,115	3,898	5,720	1,467			
June ..	4,952	1,997	4,898	3,151	3,941	5,746	1,458			
September ..	A 5,024   B 5,103	2,014	4,903	3,168	A 3,973   B 4,001	5,774	A 1,453   B 1,443			
December ..	5,061   5,169	2,025	4,910	3,239	4,004   4,041	5,853	1,462   1,448			
1956.										
March ..	5,098	5,232	2,142	4,903	3,253	4,044	4,090	5,895	1,458	1,441
June ..	5,225	5,461	2,158	4,910	3,367	4,115	4,195	6,013	1,461	1,433
September ..	5,302	5,800	2,174	4,928	3,460	4,167	4,334	6,090	1,461	1,405
December ..	5,282	5,562	2,189	4,977	3,532	4,192	4,286	6,197	1,478	1,446
1957.										
March ..	5,315	5,331	2,218	5,024	3,556	4,226	4,231	6,187	1,464	1,462
June ..	5,322	5,359	2,245	5,070	3,605	4,256	4,268	6,264	1,472	1,468
September ..	5,340	5,319	2,271	5,087	3,634	4,278	4,271	6,273	1,466	1,469
December ..	5,284	5,234	2,288	5,119	3,649	4,275	4,256	6,286	1,470	1,477

(a) 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 food and groceries and rent, since the cost in 1911 in each group or combination of groups is made equal to 1,000. (b) Indexes in Columns "A" exclude, and those in Columns "B" include, the price movement of potatoes and onions. (c) See note (c) on page 21. (d) Index of nominal weekly wage rates divided by "C" Series Retail Price Index Number. (e) Taken back from true base November, 1914 = 1,000 by means of the Food and Rent (All Houses) Index.

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