

## 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, both as to membership and unemployment, and these were supplemented at the end of each year by special inquiries as to the membership of those unions which, owing to the nature of the callings and industries covered, were unable to furnish quarterly unemployment returns. The following pages show the general situation in regard to the trades union movement in Australia at present, and its development since 1939. The affairs of single unions are not disclosed in the published results and this has assisted in securing complete information. The Bureau is greatly indebted to the secretaries of trade unions for their cordial co-operation in supplying information.

In this chapter figures for the years 1948 to 1951 are compared with 1939. Particulars for earlier years will be found in preceding issues of the Labour Report.

2. **Trade Unions—Number and Membership, 1939 and 1948 to 1951.**—The following table gives particulars of the number of separate unions and the number of members at the end of the years 1939 and 1948 to 1951 :—

## Trade Unions: Number and Membership.

Year	N.S.W.	Vic	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N Terr.	A.C.T.	Aust
NUMBER OF SEPARATE UNIONS.									
1939 ..	200	149	114	117	141	79	4	15	(a) 380
1948 ..	211	156	128	136	150	90	10	21	(a) 364
1949 ..	212	150	125	138	152	92	12	21	(a) 341
1950 ..	222	152	128	138	156	98	11	28	(a) 390
1951 ..	225	156	128	137	152	101	17	29	(a) 359
NUMBER OF MEMBERS.									
1939 ..	358,301	216,803	180,653	67,282	67,833	22,062	761	1,685	915,170
1948 ..	596,867	370,886	238,197	119,082	87,831	36,707	2,293	3,482	1,455,808
1949 ..	606,139	382,593	259,339	127,292	97,700	40,700	2,860	4,375	1,520,914
1950 ..	612,148	406,317	261,586	137,504	101,582	45,944	2,438	5,728	1,608,344
1951 ..	678,338	433,107	277,017	140,067	105,507	47,413	2,761	5,258	1,690,271
PERCENTAGE INCREASE IN MEMBERSHIP.(b)									
1948 ..	3.3	2.8	6.5	8.2	0.1	4.8	—	5.6	9.6
1949 ..	5.4	8.1	7.6	6.0	7.2	7.8	—	6.1	0.1
1948-9 ..	1.6	3.1	8.7	6.9	11.2	10.7	—	21.7	25.6
1949-50 ..	5.9	11.2	1.3	8.0	6.0	10.7	—	11.8	30.9
1950-1 ..	5.6	6.7	5.5	1.9	1.9	5.3	—	13.4	0.2

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

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes decrease

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 table just given, 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.

Because of the difficulties involved, 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.

**3. Trade Unions—Industrial Groups, 1939 and 1948 to 1951.**—The following table gives the number and membership of trade unions in Australia in industrial groups at the end of the years 1948 to 1951 compared with 1939.

**Trade Unions: Industrial Groups, Australia.**

Industrial Group.	1939.	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.
<b>NUMBER OF SEPARATE UNIONS.(a)</b>					
<b>Manufacturing—</b>					
I. Wood, Furniture, etc. ..	4	4	6	6	6
II. Engineering, Metal Works, etc. ..	22	19	16	16	15
III. Food, Drink, Tobacco, etc. ..	35	33	33	35	38
IV. Clothing, Textiles, etc. ..	12	7	6	6	6
V. Books, Printing, etc. ..	8	8	6	6	6
VI. Other Manufacturing ..	37	30	36	38	37
VII. Building ..	28	25	25	26	26
VIII. Mining, Quarrying, etc. ..	13	12	11	12	12
IX. Railway and Tramway Services ..	29	26	26	26	25
X. Other Land Transport ..	6	9	9	9	9
XI. Shipping, etc. ..	21	19	15	13	13
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, etc. ..	5	3	4	4	4
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, etc. ..	18	15	14	14	14
<b>XIV. Miscellaneous—</b>					
(i) Banking, Insurance and Clerical ..	20	20	16	17	17
(ii) Public Service ..	50	59	54	56	58
(iii) Retail and Wholesale ..	8	10	11	12	12
(iv) Municipal, Sewerage, and Labouring ..	11	9	10	11	12
(v) Other Miscellaneous ..	53	56	51	53	52
<b>Total ..</b>	<b>380</b>	<b>364</b>	<b>349</b>	<b>360</b>	<b>359</b>

**NUMBER OF MEMBERS.**

<b>Manufacturing—</b>					
I. Wood, Furniture, etc. ..	27,990	36,559	39,162	39,991	42,180
II. Engineering, Metal Works, etc. ..	99,731	217,105	226,952	234,715	242,800
III. Food, Drink, Tobacco, etc. ..	80,328	91,636	98,564	98,029	104,605
IV. Clothing, Textiles, etc. ..	68,847	121,175	123,039	127,559	131,873
V. Books, Printing, etc. ..	22,303	29,788	32,374	33,641	35,211
VI. Other Manufacturing ..	52,074	64,251	67,432	61,766	60,581
VII. Building ..	45,651	93,291	100,225	112,050	134,198
VIII. Mining, Quarrying, etc. ..	48,812	45,959	45,688	47,812	48,646
IX. Railway and Tramway Services ..	105,938	137,318	134,513	140,086	139,405
X. Other Land Transport ..	19,488	44,404	50,600	56,276	58,918
XI. Shipping, etc. ..	28,760	35,497	40,520	43,520	45,972
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, etc. ..	40,276	48,631	51,687	56,735	59,911
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, etc. ..	13,177	37,657	36,914	30,334	34,465
<b>XIV. Miscellaneous—</b>					
(i) Banking, Insurance and Clerical ..	39,013	94,091	97,093	101,391	104,162
(ii) Public Service ..	69,848	164,723	165,762	174,097	183,541
(iii) Retail and Wholesale ..	36,290	48,960	52,528	53,685	60,847
(iv) Municipal, Sewerage, and Labouring ..	46,552	61,154	62,761	70,635	75,926
(v) Other Miscellaneous ..	50,392	83,549	94,100	103,022	107,010
<b>Total ..</b>	<b>915,470</b>	<b>1,455,808</b>	<b>1,520,914</b>	<b>1,605,344</b>	<b>1,690,271</b>

(a) Without interstate duplication. See above..

4. **Trade Unions—Numbers of Male and Female Members and Ratio to Wage and Salary Earners.**—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. (page 114). As current estimates of wage and salary earners in employment do not include employees engaged in rural industry or female private domestic service the percentages have been calculated on figures obtained by adding to the current estimate (at the end of each year) the numbers of employees in rural industry and female private domestic service recorded at the Census of June, 1947. For this reason, and also because the membership of trade unions would include some persons not in employment, the percentages shown in the tables must be regarded as approximations.

(i) *States, 1951.* The table below shows for each State the numbers of males, females and persons who are members of trade unions 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 specific 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 Male and Female Members, and Ratio to Total Wage and Salary Earners, States, December, 1951.**

Particulars	N.S.W. (a)	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aus- tralia. (b)
<b>MALES</b>							
Number of Members of Unions ..	552,811	346,104	220,259	118,296	88,129	40,200	1,368,694
Estimated ratio of Members to Number of Wage and Salary Earners in Employment .. %	67	63	75	61	64	59	66
<b>FEMALES</b>							
Number of Members of Unions ..	131,205	87,303	56,778	21,771	17,078	7,213	321,577
Estimated ratio of Members to Number of Wage and Salary Earners in Employment .. %	42	37	59	35	39	33	42
<b>PERSONS</b>							
Number of Members of Unions ..	684,076	433,407	277,037	140,067	205,507	47,413	1,690,271
Estimated ratio of Members to Number of Wage and Salary Earners in Employment .. %	60	55	71	57	58	53	60

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory.

(b) Includes Northern Territory

(ii) *Australia.*—Similar particulars for Australia as at the end of each of the years 1939 and 1948 to 1951 are given in the following table.

**Trade Unions: Number of Male and Female Members, and Ratio to Total Wage and Salary Earners, Australia.**

Particulars.	1939.	1948	1949.	1950.	1951.
<b>MALES</b>					
Number of Members of Unions ..	778,336	1,172,676	1,226,818	1,304,868	1,368,694
Estimated ratio of Members to Number of Wage and Salary Earners in Employ- ment .. %	52	62	63	65	66

**Trade Unions: Number of Male and Female Members, and Ratio to Total Wage and Salary Earners, Australia—continued.**

Particulars	1939.	1948.	1949	1950.	1951.
<b>FEMALES.</b>					
Number of Members of Unions ..	137,134	283,132	291,096	303,476	321,577
Estimated ratio of Members to Number of Wage and Salary Earners in Employment %	24	40	41	40	42
<b>PERSONS.</b>					
Number of Members of Unions ..	915,470	1,455,808	1,520,914	1,605,344	1,690,271
Estimated ratio of Members to Number of Wage and Salary Earners in Employment %	44	56	57	58	60

5. **Trade Unions—Classification according to Number of Members, 1939 and 1948 to 1951.**—The following table shows the number and membership of all trade unions in Australia at the end of the years 1939 and 1948 to 1951 inclusive, classified according to size. In this table interstate unions are counted once only:—

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

Classification	10,000 and over.	5,000 and under 10,000.	2,000 and under 5,000.	1,000 and under 2,000.	500 and under 1,000.	300 and under 500.	200 and under 300.	100 and under 200.	50 and under 100.	Under 50.	Total.
1939 ..	27	14	41	43	52	28	30	52	41	52	380
1948 ..	34	26	41	43	17	33	24	37	32	17	364
1949 ..	37	21	38	41	46	33	21	38	29	42	349
1950 ..	38	24	43	46	50	27	10	43	26	44	360
1951 ..	40	22	44	45	49	31	18	40	26	44	359
<b>MEMBERSHIP.</b>											
1939 ..	568,624	87,077	134,204	59,283	30,776	10,578	7,483	7,225	2,655	1,565	915,470
1948 ..	1,019,035	188,486	128,291	59,913	32,980	12,740	5,829	4,748	2,380	1,416	1,455,808
1949 ..	1,112,560	157,892	117,007	60,706	39,816	15,687	3,492	5,178	2,223	1,351	1,520,914
1950 ..	1,178,056	171,658	132,585	62,006	35,493	10,158	4,856	5,995	1,975	1,342	1,605,344
1951 ..	1,263,564	156,866	143,937	64,032	35,417	12,274	4,648	5,504	2,917	1,412	1,690,271
<b>PROPORTION OF TOTAL MEMBERSHIP. (PER CENT.)</b>											
1939	62.1	9.5	14.7	6.5	4.0	1.1	0.8	0.8	0.3	0.2	100.0
1948	70.0	12.9	8.8	4.1	2.3	0.9	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.1	100.0
1949	73.1	10.1	7.7	4.0	2.6	1.0	0.6	0.3	0.2	0.1	100.0
1950	73.4	10.7	8.3	3.9	2.7	0.6	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.1	100.0
1951	74.8	9.3	8.5	3.8	2.1	0.7	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.1	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 has increased since 1912 by 295 per cent., the number of unions having less than 2,000 members has considerably decreased, namely, from 360 to 253. In 1951, 7.4 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.

6. **Interstate or Federated Trade Unions.**—The following table gives particulars regarding number and membership of interstate or federated

trade unions having branches in two or more States. The figures include interstate unions registered under the Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Act, as well as federated unions which are not so registered :—

**Interstate or Federated Trade Unions: Number and Membership.(a)**

Particulars	Unions Operating in—					Total.	
	2 States.	3 States.	4 States.	5 States.	6 States.		
Number of Unions	1939 ..	19	11	20	21	42	116
	1948 ..	20	15	31	33	59	138
	1949 ..	13	17	11	39	58	138
	1950 ..	13	13	17	38	59	140
	1951 ..	12	15	15	38	60	140
Number of Members	1939 ..	30,888	33,319	20,664	209,369	361,884	756,124
	1948 ..	46,980	37,813	121,989	291,544	775,716	1,274,042
	1949 ..	32,473	44,689	65,219	437,374	771,410	1,353,595
	1950 ..	41,369	41,000	121,180	395,012	832,918	1,431,479
	1951 ..	36,437	47,636	93,169	442,507	882,229	1,501,918

(a) Certain unions in this group 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 has increased from 72 in 1912 to 140 in 1951, and the percentage of the membership of such organizations on the total membership of all organizations has risen from 65 per cent. to 89 per cent. during the same period.

7. **Central Labour Organizations.**—In each of the capital cities, as well as in a number of other industrial centres, delegate organizations, consisting of representatives from a group of trade unions, have been established. Their revenue is raised by means of a *per capita* tax on the members of each affiliated union. In the majority of the towns where such central organizations exist, most of the local unions are affiliated with the central organization, which is usually known as the Labour or the Trades Hall Council, or the Labour Federation. In Western Australia a unified system of organization extends over the industrial centres throughout the State, and there is a provincial branch of the Australian Labour Party, having a central council and executive, and metropolitan and branch district councils to which the local bodies are affiliated. The central council, on which all district councils are represented, meets periodically. In the other States, however, the organization is not so close, and though provision usually exists in the rules of the central council in the capital city of each State for the organization of district councils, or for the representation on the central council of the local councils in the smaller industrial centres of the State, the councils in each State are, as a matter of fact, independent bodies. The following table gives the number of metropolitan and district or local labour councils, together with the number of unions and branches of unions affiliated therewith, in each State at the end of the years 1939 and 1948 to 1951.

**Central Labour Organizations: Number, and Branch Unions Affiliated.**

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N. Ter.	A.C.T.	Australia.	
No. of Councils	1939 ..	3	5	6	2	8	2	..	1	27
	1948 ..	8	9	12	7	9	3	..	1	49
	1949 ..	8	9	13	6	9	3	..	1	51
	1950 ..	10	9	13	6	10	5	..	1	54
	1951 ..	11	9	12	6	10	5	1	1	55
No. of Unions and Branch Unions Affiliated	1939 ..	103	179	79	50	210	59	..	9	689
	1948 ..	268	274	451	141	314	90	..	19	1,757
	1949 ..	246	274	143	139	327	90	..	21	1,240
	1950 ..	248	272	152	134	434	97	..	21	1,358
	1951 ..	272	276	141	128	427	96	3	22	1,365

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

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

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

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

At the end of 1951 the number of employers' organizations registered under the provisions of the Act was 54. The number of unions registered at the end of 1951 was 148, with a membership of approximately 1,399,110 representing 83 per cent. of the total membership of all trade unions in Australia.

\* Under the Arbitration (Public Service) Act an association of less than 100 employees may be registered as an organization, provided that its members comprise at least three-fifths of all persons engaged in that industry in the Service. Such organizations are included in the figures shown in the paragraph following.

## § 2. International Labour Organization.

**1. General.**—The International Labour Organization originated in the Peace Treaty of 1919 which made provision for the holding of International Labour Conferences and the institution of the International Labour Office. In the inter-war period, the International Labour Organization was an autonomous associate of the League of Nations, and in 1946 became the first of the specialized agencies of the United Nations. Under the terms of agreement, the United Nations recognizes the International Labour Organization 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 a year; and the International Labour Office which provides the secretariat of the Organization. The Conference is composed of national delegations comprising two government delegates and one delegate each of employers and workers, together with their advisers. The Governing Body comprises the representatives of sixteen governments, eight worker members and eight employer members. Particulars are given in previous Labour Reports of the proceedings at International Labour Conferences up to the 34th Session which opened in Geneva on 6th June, 1951.

**2. The 35th Session.**—The 35th Session of the International Labour Conference was held in Geneva from 4th to 28th June, 1952.

The Australian Delegation consisted of:—Government Delegates: Dr. Ian G. Sharp (Assistant Secretary, Department of Labour and National Service); Mr. Patrick Shaw (Australian Permanent Delegate to the European Office of the United Nations); Adviser and Substitute Delegate: Mr. K. C. McKenzie (Department of Labour and National Service); Employers' Delegate: Mr. L. C. Burne (Vice-President Australian Council of Employers' Federation); Workers' Delegate: Mr. J. N. Thom (General Secretary, Electrical Trades Union).

The Conference adopted conventions and recommendations on holidays with pay for agricultural workers and the protection of maternity. It studied the situation of aliens and migrant workers in relation to social security and requested the Governing Body to consider appropriate measures for establishing an international instrument dealing with the question.

The Conference also discussed the independence of the trade union movement, assistance to under-developed countries and the means to ensure the effective prosecution in all countries of the aims and objectives of the International Labour Organization in conditions of freedom and security.

**3. Governing Body.**—The Australian Government as a deputy member was represented at the 116th to 119th Sessions of the Governing Body which met in Geneva during 1951–52 by Mr. Patrick Shaw.

At the 120th Session, meeting in Geneva during November, 1952, Australia was represented by Mr. J. D. L. Hood, Australian Ambassador at Bonn (Government representative), Mr. A. Monk (Workers' representative) and Commander Lionel Robinson (Employers' representative).

Mr. Hood, Mr. Monk and Commander Robinson also represented Australia on the International Labour Organization Asian Advisory Committee which met in Geneva immediately before the 120th Session of the Governing Body.

APPENDIX.  
SECTION I.

Sydney : Average Retail Prices (in) of Chief Food and Groceries Items during each Month of the Year, 1951.

Article.	Unit.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Average 1951.
Groceries, &c.—														
Bread	2 lb.	9.28	9.28	9.28	9.28	9.28	9.28	9.28	9.28	9.28	9.28	10.83	10.83	9.51
Flour, ordinary	"	7.00	7.00	6.94	7.06	7.13	7.13	7.25	7.14	7.44	7.50	7.86	8.07	7.31
Flour, self-raising	"	12.00	12.00	12.15	12.45	13.80	13.80	13.80	13.95	13.95	13.95	13.95	14.00	13.30
Tea	lb.	46.00	46.00	46.00	46.00	46.00	46.00	46.00	46.00	46.00	46.00	46.00	47.00	46.17
Sugar	"	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	6.50	6.50	6.50	6.50	6.50	6.50	5.75
Sago	"	9.65	10.20	11.55	14.75	14.85	15.45	15.45	15.80	16.00	16.70	16.00	16.55	14.36
Jan. plum	1 1/2 lb.	23.15	23.70	23.45	23.60	23.55	23.55	24.05	24.25	24.75	24.85	25.45	25.45	24.15
Golden Syrup	2 lb.	8.15	9.05	9.05	9.05	9.05	9.05	11.40	11.60	11.60	12.05	11.95	11.95	10.37
Oats, flaked	lb.	8.15	8.15	8.15	8.50	11.50	11.50	11.40	11.40	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.50	10.40
Raisins, seeded	"	21.13	22.40	27.20	27.00	27.10	27.10	27.10	27.10	28.13	28.38	28.60	28.60	28.05
Currants	"	16.78	18.11	19.86	20.17	20.22	20.56	20.86	20.86	20.86	20.93	21.61	21.61	20.16
Apples, dried	"	32.50	32.50	46.50	46.75	47.63	47.63	47.63	47.63	47.63	51.73	50.00	50.00	43.73
Peanuts, canned	30 oz.	21.50	21.50	21.07	26.33	26.33	26.33	27.06	26.90	26.90	26.95	27.00	27.00	25.39
Pears, canned	"	22.95	22.90	23.08	26.86	27.50	27.50	28.50	28.39	28.39	28.39	28.50	28.50	26.79
Potatoes	7 lb.	28.00	28.00	28.00	28.00	31.50	31.50	31.50	31.50	36.75	43.08	42.00	42.00	33.49
Onions, brown	"	6.00	6.00	6.00	5.50	15.00	15.00	22.40	19.20	25.25	24.00	14.37	9.50	14.42
Soap	quart	10.29	10.37	10.77	10.96	11.00	11.59	11.67	11.67	11.67	11.84	11.86	12.00	11.39
Kerosene	"	7.11	7.50	7.60	7.81	7.79	7.86	7.86	7.86	7.86	7.86	7.99	8.16	7.77
Dairy Products—														
Butter, factory	lb.	26.00	26.00	26.00	26.00	26.00	26.00	26.00	26.00	32.00	32.00	37.50	37.50	28.92
Cheddar, mild	"	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.50	23.91	27.06	27.06	21.11
Eggs, New laid	doz.	47.15	49.05	49.05	53.05	53.05	53.05	53.05	53.05	53.05	53.05	53.06	62.12	52.00
Bacon, raw	lb.	49.11	49.06	49.17	49.17	50.00	54.17	54.39	54.61	55.17	57.13	59.86	60.28	55.88
Milk, condensed	tin	14.50	14.50	14.65	14.90	14.90	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	19.96	18.45	13.73
Milk, fresh	quart	12.50	12.50	12.50	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	16.00	16.00	13.50
Meat—														
Beef, shin	lb.	20.72	18.87	18.87	20.66	20.66	20.66	20.66	20.66	20.66	20.66	20.66	20.66	20.06
Beef, rib	"	36.48	36.48	36.48	38.25	38.25	38.25	38.25	38.25	38.25	38.25	48.57	48.57	41.60
Beef, rump	"	15.10	15.10	15.10	15.77	15.77	15.77	15.77	15.77	15.77	15.77	19.18	19.18	17.13
Beef, chuck	"	27.55	27.55	27.55	28.70	28.70	28.70	28.70	28.70	28.70	28.70	30.13	30.13	25.32
Beef (roasted), silver-side	"	18.19	18.19	18.19	18.74	18.74	18.74	18.74	18.74	18.74	18.74	25.57	25.57	20.63
Beef (roasted), brisket	"	16.41	16.41	16.41	16.01	16.01	16.01	16.01	16.01	16.01	16.01	20.23	20.23	22.22
Mutton, leg	"	11.09	11.09	11.09	12.01	12.01	12.01	12.01	12.01	12.01	12.01	28.08	28.08	16.63
Mutton, leg forequarter	"	19.51	19.51	19.51	22.17	22.17	22.17	22.17	22.17	22.17	22.17	29.07	29.07	25.26
Loin	"	19.48	19.48	19.48	22.14	22.14	22.14	22.14	22.14	22.14	22.14	29.07	29.07	25.45
Chops, loin	"	19.29	19.29	19.29	22.14	22.14	22.14	22.14	22.14	22.14	22.14	35.60	35.60	25.35
Pork, leg	"	39.53	39.53	39.53	40.90	40.90	40.90	40.90	40.90	40.90	40.90	50.07	50.07	44.03
Pork, loin	"	40.00	40.00	40.00	42.60	42.60	42.60	42.60	42.60	42.60	42.60	51.27	51.27	45.04
Chops	"	40.53	40.53	40.53	42.50	42.50	42.50	42.50	42.50	42.50	42.50	51.93	51.93	45.55

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

December Quarter.

September Quarter.

June Quarter.

March Quarter.



## SECTION I.—continued.

Melbourne : Average Retail Prices<sup>(a)</sup> of Chief Food and Groceries Items during each Month of the Year, 1951.

Article.	Unit.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Average, 1951.
Groceries, &c.—														
Bread	2 lb.	d 9 50	d 9 50	d 9 50	d 10 00	d 10 00	d 10 00	d 10 00	d 10 00	d 10 00	d 10 00	d 11 50	d 11 50	d 10 12
Flour, ordinary	"	6 05	6 35	6 50	6 50	6 50	6 50	6 55	6 70	6 85	6 85	7 00	6 95	6 61
" self-raising	"	11 40	12 00	12 10	12 10	12 00	12 00	12 00	12 00	12 80	12 94	12 75	12 78	12 32
Tea	lb.	46 00	43 75	46 05	46 00	16 00	16 00	46 00	46 00	46 00	46 00	47 00	47 00	46 15
Sugar	"	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	6 50	6 50	6 50	6 50	6 50	6 50	5 75
Sago	"	8 65	8 72	10 38	12 67	14 11	14 94	15 17	15 17	15 17	15 15	15 15	15 56	13 40
Jam, plum	1½ lb.	17 00	18 55	19 05	19 35	19 35	19 45	19 55	19 55	19 55	19 90	21 40	21 50	19 52
Golden Syrup	2 lb.	9 55	9 55	9 55	9 55	9 55	9 56	9 88	10 93	12 00	12 00	12 00	12 17	10 52
Oats, Raked	lb.	6 61	6 79	7 08	7 92	8 07	9 42	9 42	10 08	10 29	10 38	10 83	10 83	8 98
Raisins, seeded	"	20 40	22 40	27 33	27 71	27 86	27 86	28 00	27 71	27 71	27 83	27 89	27 89	26 71
Currants	"	15 29	16 81	16 75	18 75	19 81	19 31	20 13	20 69	20 69	20 63	20 69	20 67	19 23
Apricots, dried	"	25 17	25 17	33 40	39 21	46 00	47 00	47 00	46 33	45 67	46 00	46 33	46 33	41 14
Peaches, canned	30 oz.	20 70	20 75	21 06	22 58	26 00	26 00	26 00	26 00	26 00	26 00	26 05	26 10	24 44
Pears, canned	"	23 00	21 95	22 07	23 42	26 00	26 00	26 00	26 07	26 06	26 15	26 20	26 20	24 84
Potatoes	7 lb.	26 50	27 50	26 83	28 00	28 00	28 00	28 00	28 00	29 12	36 36	44 92	42 00	31 10
Onions, brown	lb.	5 00	5 25	5 10	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	9 00	9 00	18 00	18 00	9 00	8 20
Soap	"	11 56	11 56	11 56	11 56	11 56	12 44	12 44	12 44	12 44	12 62	13 15	14 04	12 28
Kerosene	quart	7 38	7 43	7 73	7 78	7 91	7 97	7 97	7 97	7 97	7 97	8 21	8 35	7 89
Dairy Produce—														
Butter, factory	lb.	26 35	26 35	26 35	26 35	26 35	26 35	26 35	26 35	37 95	37 95	37 95	37 95	30 22
Cheese, mild	"	18 50	18 50	18 50	18 50	18 50	18 50	18 50	18 50	23 00	26 63	26 63	26 63	20 91
Eggs, new laid	doz.	45 10	47 00	48 80	53 80	53 90	53 90	53 90	33 90	53 90	63 90	56 90	60 00	52 17
Bacon, rashers	lb.	44 63	48 88	49 38	49 75	50 00	50 00	50 00	32 63	53 13	54 00	66 69	67 00	53 01
Milk, condensed	tin	15 00	15 00	15 00	15 00	15 00	16 45	16 50	16 50	16 50	17 40	17 20	17 95	16 12
" fresh	quart	11 40	13 25	13 25	13 25	14 25	14 25	14 25	14 25	14 25	14 25	14 25	14 25	13 76
Meat—														
		March Quarter.			June Quarter			September Quarter			December Quarter.			
Beef, sirloin	lb.	25 37			28 06			30 91			32 26			29 14
" rib	"	22 73			24 91			27 65			28 20			25 67
" steak rump	"	36 15			39 09			41 62			43 20			40 02
" chuck	"	19 27			22 37			24 00			25 23			22 72
" sausages	"	16 08			17 61			19 00			19 81			18 13
Beef (corned) silver	"	25 05			27 41			29 94			31 74			28 54
side	"	18 21			20 54			22 00			23 17			20 98
brisket	"	19 38			23 58			26 96			25 24			23 79
Mutton, leg	"	12 34			16 40			20 72			17 59			16 76
" forequarter	"	19 33			25 45			26 39			27 28			24 02
" loin	"	19 52			24 45			27 37			27 37			24 33
" chops, loin	"	20 32			24 64			27 37			25 94			24 37
" leg	"	37 57			37 97			41 24			45 35			40 58
Pork, leg	"	38 15			38 89			42 36			46 50			41 48
" loin	"	38 88			39 71			42 76			46 40			41 94
" chops	"													

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

## SECTION I.—continued.

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Brisbane : Average Retail Prices<sup>(a)</sup> of Chief Food and Groceries Items during each Month of the Year, 1951.

Article.	Unit.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Average, 1951.
<b>Groceries, &amp;c.—</b>														
Bread ..	2 lb.	d. 9.00	d. 9.50	d. 9.50	d. 9.50	d. 9.50	d. 9.50	d. 9.50	d. 9.50	d. 10.00	d. 10.50	d. 10.50	d. 10.50	d. 9.75
Flour, ordinary ..	"	5.73	5.86	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.10	6.95	7.00	6.14
" self-raising ..	"	11.77	12.09	12.82	12.82	12.80	12.80	12.90	12.90	13.20	13.25	13.85	14.35	12.96
Tea ..	lb.	45.32	45.32	45.32	45.32	45.25	45.25	45.25	45.25	45.25	45.25	46.05	46.25	45.42
Sugar ..	"	4.96	4.96	4.96	4.96	4.96	4.96	6.47	6.47	6.47	6.47	6.47	6.47	5.71
Sago ..	"	9.14	9.09	9.27	9.95	10.83	12.95	13.99	13.75	14.75	13.90	14.05	13.85	12.12
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	16.82	16.68	17.32	18.23	18.55	19.35	19.65	20.15	20.30	20.90	21.70	21.80	19.29
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	8.91	8.95	8.95	8.95	8.95	8.95	9.99	10.85	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	9.87
Oats, Baked ..	lb.	8.50	8.50	8.50	8.50	8.50	9.50	12.00	12.50	12.50	13.00	13.00	14.00	10.75
Raisins, seeded ..	"	20.13	20.13	24.21	24.25	24.25	24.25	24.25	24.67	24.67	24.67	24.67	25.06	23.77
Currants ..	"	16.38	16.38	17.25	17.25	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.50	18.31
Apricots, dried ..	"	27.00	27.00	35.89	44.00	44.00	44.00	48.00	48.00	48.00	48.00	48.00	48.00	42.49
Peaches, canned ..	30 oz	23.64	24.00	24.00	24.00	28.00	28.37	27.64	28.57	28.50	28.20	28.20	28.19	26.79
Pears, canned ..	"	24.38	24.38	24.38	24.38	27.67	26.67	27.00	29.00	29.00	29.00	29.17	29.64	27.06
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	24.82	26.45	26.45	27.86	28.00	29.35	29.95	30.11	31.31	39.27	30.30	30.30	29.51
Onions, brown ..	lb.	7.00	7.55	7.45	7.44	8.79	13.17	17.50	25.92	18.03	19.44	9.00	5.83	12.31
Soap ..	"	10.49	10.49	10.49	10.49	10.50	11.20	11.20	11.20	11.20	11.33	11.57	12.90	11.09
Kerosene ..	quart	6.93	7.00	7.06	7.19	7.21	7.22	7.23	7.23	7.19	7.19	7.55	7.62	7.22
<b>Dairy Produce—</b>														
Butter, factory ..	lb.	25.91	25.91	25.91	25.91	25.90	25.90	25.95	25.95	31.95	31.95	37.45	37.45	28.81
Cheese, mild ..	"	17.95	18.00	18.00	18.00	17.95	18.00	18.05	18.05	22.50	22.50	26.00	26.05	20.09
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	42.00	42.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	46.00	46.00	46.00	46.00	46.00	46.00	50.00	45.17
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	37.41	37.41	37.41	37.41	38.95	41.50	41.80	44.10	47.15	48.55	61.05	57.85	44.22
Milk, condensed ..	1½ ln	14.73	14.75	14.75	14.78	14.78	15.56	15.95	15.83	15.83	15.92	16.83	18.13	13.63
" fresh ..	quart	10.60	10.60	10.60	11.95	11.95	11.95	11.95	11.95	12.95	12.95	12.95	12.95	11.95
<b>Meat—</b>														
		March Quarter.			June Quarter.			September Quarter.			December Quarter.			
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	21.10	21.10	21.69	21.69	21.69	23.12	23.12	23.12	23.12	23.12	23.12	23.12	24.40
" rib ..	"	14.00	14.00	14.34	14.34	14.34	15.74	15.74	15.74	15.74	15.74	15.74	15.74	16.32
" steak, rump ..	"	27.10	27.10	28.17	28.17	28.17	29.09	29.09	29.09	29.09	29.09	29.09	29.09	30.61
" chuck ..	"	14.05	14.05	14.49	14.49	14.49	15.91	15.91	15.91	15.91	15.91	15.91	15.91	16.70
" sausages ..	"	12.00	12.00	12.53	12.53	12.53	13.65	13.65	13.65	13.65	13.65	13.65	13.65	14.06
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"	18.00	18.00	18.65	18.65	18.65	19.98	19.98	19.98	19.98	19.98	19.98	19.98	21.22
" brisket ..	"	14.10	14.10	14.22	14.22	14.22	15.83	15.83	15.83	15.83	15.83	15.83	15.83	16.92
Mutton, leg ..	"	15.89	15.89	16.72	16.72	16.72	18.34	18.34	18.34	18.34	18.34	18.34	18.34	18.41
" forequarter ..	"	10.81	10.81	12.13	12.13	12.13	13.91	13.91	13.91	13.91	13.91	13.91	13.91	13.50
" loin ..	"	13.92	13.92	16.40	16.40	16.40	17.17	17.17	17.17	17.17	17.17	17.17	17.17	17.60
" chops, loin ..	"	16.32	16.32	17.02	17.02	17.02	18.48	18.48	18.48	18.48	18.48	18.48	18.48	18.75
" leg ..	"	15.28	15.28	16.83	16.83	16.83	18.28	18.28	18.28	18.28	18.28	18.28	18.28	18.49
Pork, leg ..	"	35.07	35.07	35.67	35.67	35.67	38.06	38.06	38.06	38.06	38.06	38.06	38.06	38.17
" loin ..	"	34.17	34.17	35.11	35.11	35.11	38.14	38.14	38.14	38.14	38.14	38.14	38.14	37.75
" chops ..	"	34.63	34.63	35.67	35.67	35.67	38.62	38.62	38.62	38.62	38.62	38.62	38.62	38.16

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

APPENDIX.

## SECTION I.—continued.

Adelaide: Average Retail Prices(a) of Chief Food and Groceries Items during each Month of the Year, 1951.

Article.	Unit.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Average, 1951.
<b>Groceries, &amp;c.—</b>														
Bread ..	2 lb.	d. 9.00	d. 9.00	d. 9.00	d. 9.00	d. 9.00	d. 9.00	d. 9.50	d. 9.50	d. 9.50	d. 9.50	d. 9.50	d. 10.50	d. 9.33
Flour, ordinary ..	"	5.80	6.50	6.50	6.50	6.55	6.55	6.55	6.60	6.65	6.65	6.65	6.85	6.53
" self-raising ..	"	10.20	10.28	10.35	10.40	10.50	10.75	10.75	11.00	11.15	11.20	11.30	11.30	10.76
Tea ..	lb.	46.00	46.11	46.00	46.00	46.00	46.00	46.00	46.00	46.00	46.00	47.00	47.00	46.18
Sugar ..	"	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	6.50	6.50	6.50	6.50	6.50	6.50	5.75
Sago ..	"	10.20	10.50	11.30	16.20	16.35	16.75	17.05	17.05	17.78	17.50	17.50	17.50	15.47
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	19.25	17.78	19.30	19.55	19.55	19.55	19.55	19.55	19.55	19.55	19.55	19.55	19.35
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	9.50	9.50	9.50	9.50	9.50	9.50	9.75	11.50	12.05	12.05	12.05	12.05	10.54
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	7.96	7.92	7.92	8.90	9.04	9.88	10.09	10.46	10.67	10.67	10.75	10.75	9.58
Raisins, seeded ..	"	20.17	21.10	21.20	25.00	25.50	27.42	27.43	27.36	27.39	27.39	27.39	27.39	25.39
Currants ..	"	16.20	16.44	16.90	19.70	20.40	20.40	20.40	20.45	20.45	20.45	20.45	20.45	19.39
Apricots, dried ..	"	29.25	29.25	38.88	45.56	45.50	45.50	45.50	45.50	44.56	44.56	44.56	44.56	41.93
Peaches, canned ..	30 oz.	20.42	20.42	20.42	25.06	25.05	25.05	25.05	25.05	25.05	25.05	25.05	25.05	23.90
Pears, canned ..	"	21.50	21.50	21.50	26.45	26.50	26.50	26.50	26.50	26.50	26.50	26.50	26.50	25.25
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	24.21	28.00	28.00	28.00	28.00	32.20	31.50	31.50	31.50	45.50	33.33	36.86	31.55
Onions, brown ..	lb.	7.88	7.33	7.00	7.17	7.80	9.83	15.80	18.00	30.00	30.00	13.50	12.00	13.86
Soap ..	"	10.67	10.67	10.67	10.67	10.67	11.33	11.33	11.33	11.33	11.33	11.53	13.00	11.21
Kerosene ..	quart	6.77	6.89	6.92	7.04	7.13	7.13	7.13	7.13	7.13	7.13	7.39	7.43	7.10
<b>Dairy Produce—</b>														
Butter, factory ..	lb.	26.00	26.00	26.00	26.00	26.00	26.00	26.00	26.00	37.50	37.50	37.50	37.50	29.83
Cheese, mild ..	"	17.94	17.94	17.94	17.94	17.94	17.94	18.06	18.06	22.30	25.95	26.10	26.10	20.35
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	43.45	46.00	47.45	49.45	51.50	51.45	51.45	45.50	44.50	44.50	44.50	54.40	47.85
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	41.35	44.56	44.95	45.50	46.65	46.60	46.60	49.10	49.10	49.10	49.10	61.75	48.96
Milk, condensed ..	tin	13.90	13.90	13.90	13.90	13.90	15.45	15.45	15.40	15.40	16.95	16.95	18.30	15.28
" fresh ..	quart	11.00	11.00	11.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	12.50
<b>Meat—</b>														
		March Quarter.			June Quarter.			September Quarter.			December Quarter.			
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	19.50			19.70			23.23			25.05			21.87
" rib ..	"	16.50			16.82			20.63			22.77			19.18
" steak, rump ..	"	30.00			30.47			37.00			39.32			34.20
" chuck ..	"	18.00			18.33			22.51			24.27			20.78
" sausages ..	"	12.00			12.44			14.55			15.56			13.64
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"	21.07			22.74			26.72			28.33			24.72
" braket ..	"	16.00			17.00			20.07			22.80			19.19
Mutton, leg ..	"	18.77			25.82			24.26			23.66			23.13
" forequarter ..	"	10.02			14.86			13.45			15.00			13.33
" loin ..	"	16.43			23.63			22.55			23.17			21.45
" chops, loin ..	"	17.25			21.81			22.42			24.31			21.45
" leg ..	"	18.00			23.64			23.21			24.99			22.29
Pork, leg ..	"	34.63			37.50			42.93			48.18			40.81
" loin ..	"	34.80			38.00			43.37			48.85			41.26
" chops ..	"	34.87			38.07			43.86			48.99			41.45

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

## SECTION I.—continued.

Perth : Average Retail Prices<sup>(a)</sup> of Chief Food and Groceries Items during each Month of the Year, 1951.

Article.	Unit.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Average. 1951.
<b>Groceries, &amp;c.—</b>														
Bread ..	2 lb.	d. 9 00	d. 9 00	d. 9 00	d. 9 00	d. 9 50	d. 9 50	d. 9 50	d. 9 50	d. 9 50	d. 9 50	d. 10 00	d. 11 00	d. 9 50
Flour, ordinary ..	"	6 10	6 00	6 00	6 00	6 00	6 00	6 00	6 00	6 10	6 10	6 10	7 60	6 17
" self-raising ..	"	12 75	12 80	12 85	12 95	12 95	12 95	12 95	12 95	13 00	13 35	13 50	13 50	13 04
Tea ..	lb.	46 00	46 00	46 00	46 00	46 00	46 00	46 00	46 00	46 00	46 00	46 90	46 95	46 15
Sugar ..	"	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	6 50	6 50	6 50	6 50	6 50	6 50	5 75
Sago ..	"	9 20	10 30	12 10	13 55	14 61	17 00	16 70	16 15	16 15	16 15	16 30	16 85	14 59
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	18 25	18 60	21 05	21 45	21 50	21 50	21 83	23 25	23 80	24 10	24 39	24 39	22 01
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	10 05	10 05	10 00	10 00	10 00	10 00	10 00	11 80	13 00	13 00	13 00	13 00	11 16
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	7 75	7 83	7 80	7 75	8 00	9 25	9 86	9 86	9 42	9 60	10 13	9 67	8 91
Raisins, seeded ..	"	23 20	26 75	27 89	27 89	28 92	28 92	34 00	33 94	32 20	33 00	31 71	31 30	29 98
Currants ..	"	17 22	17 30	20 44	20 21	20 17	20 69	20 72	21 72	21 44	21 44	21 44	21 30	20 31
Apricots, dried ..	"	36 00	36 00	48 00	48 00	48 00	48 00	48 00	48 50	48 00	48 00	49 50	49 50	46 29
Peaches, canned ..	30 oz.	23 33	23 75	23 50	23 50	23 50	23 50	23 50	27 00	30 00	30 00	30 00	30 13	25 98
Pears, canned ..	"	25 00	25 00	25 50	25 00	27 00	27 00	27 00	28 25	31 50	31 60	31 50	31 44	27 98
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	20 00	20 05	20 35	20 50	22 00	22 00	22 05	22 06	23 06	22 67	23 56	24 17	21 79
Onions, brown ..	lb.	4 00	4 45	4 45	4 50	6 05	6 00	6 00	14 00	12 70	13 50	6 00	5 89	7 29
Soap ..	"	11 26	11 26	11 26	11 26	11 26	12 00	12 00	12 00	12 00	12 00	12 33	13 50	11 84
Kerosene ..	quart	9 16	9 25	9 32	9 47	9 53	9 58	9 60	9 59	9 60	9 60	10 55	11 30	9 71
<b>Dairy Produce—</b>														
Butter, factory ..	lb.	26 50	26 50	26 50	26 50	26 50	26 50	26 50	26 50	38 00	38 00	38 00	38 00	30 33
Cheese, mild ..	"	21 00	21 00	21 00	22 00	22 00	22 00	22 00	22 00	30 00	30 00	30 00	30 00	24 12
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	45 00	48 00	51 00	51 00	53 00	53 00	53 00	51 00	51 00	51 00	51 00	54 00	51 00
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	43 40	43 40	45 20	46 00	46 00	48 00	48 00	48 40	52 00	52 00	55 55	57 40	48 78
Milk, condensed ..	tin	15 00	15 00	15 00	15 00	15 00	16 00	16 00	16 00	16 00	17 40	17 40	19 00	16 07
" fresh ..	quart	13 00	13 00	14 00	14 00	14 00	14 00	14 00	14 00	14 00	15 00	15 00	15 00	14 08
<b>Meat—</b>														
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	March Quarter			June Quarter.			September Quarter.			December Quarter.			
" rib ..	"	24 33	24 33	24 33	28 00	28 00	28 00	29 00	29 00	29 00	29 67	29 67	29 67	27 75
" steak, rump ..	"	20 84	20 84	20 84	22 11	22 11	22 11	22 85	22 85	22 85	23 23	23 23	23 23	22 26
" chuck ..	"	31 47	31 47	31 47	35 00	35 00	35 00	36 70	36 70	36 70	38 13	38 13	38 13	35 33
" sausages ..	"	21 07	21 07	21 07	24 07	24 07	24 07	25 00	25 00	25 00	26 33	26 33	26 33	24 12
Beef (corned) silver- elde ..	"	14 73	14 73	14 73	16 47	16 47	16 47	17 58	17 58	17 58	18 13	18 13	18 13	16 73
" brisket ..	"	21 98	21 98	21 98	25 00	25 00	25 00	25 87	25 87	25 87	27 33	27 33	27 33	25 05
Mutton, leg ..	"	18 63	18 63	18 63	21 70	21 70	21 70	20 13	20 13	20 13	22 00	22 00	22 00	20 47
" forequarter ..	"	19 35	19 35	19 35	20 68	20 68	20 68	21 77	21 77	21 77	21 66	21 66	21 66	20 87
" loin ..	"	12 57	12 57	12 57	13 17	13 17	13 17	13 33	13 33	13 33	13 62	13 62	13 62	13 17
" chops, loin ..	"	19 00	19 00	19 00	20 28	20 28	20 28	21 29	21 29	21 29	20 99	20 99	20 99	20 39
" leg ..	"	19 13	19 13	19 13	20 28	20 28	20 28	21 17	21 17	21 17	21 01	21 01	21 01	20 40
Pork, leg ..	"	18 77	18 77	18 77	19 83	19 83	19 83	20 46	20 46	20 46	20 34	20 34	20 34	19 85
" loin ..	"	37 96	37 96	37 96	38 59	38 59	38 59	40 73	40 73	40 73	42 73	42 73	42 73	40 00
" chops ..	"	37 96	37 96	37 96	38 59	38 59	38 59	41 45	41 45	41 45	42 80	42 80	42 80	40 20
" ..	"	38 24	38 24	38 24	38 59	38 59	38 59	41 45	41 45	41 45	42 83	42 83	42 83	40 28

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

## SECTION I.—continued.

Hobart : Average Retail Prices<sup>(a)</sup> of Chief Food and Groceries Items during each Month of the Year, 1951.

Article.	Unit.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Average, 1951.
Groceries, &c.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread ..	2 lb.	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.50	9.50	9.50	9.50	9.50	9.50	9.50	11.00	9.46
Flour, ordinary ..	"	6.55	6.55	6.50	6.80	6.85	6.90	7.00	7.00	7.05	7.05	7.05	7.70	6.92
" self-raising ..	"	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.45	12.55	12.50	13.25	13.80	13.80	13.90	13.90	14.40	13.04
Tea ..	lb.	46.00	46.00	46.00	46.00	46.00	46.00	46.00	46.00	46.00	46.00	47.00	47.00	46.17
Sugar ..	"	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	6.50	6.50	6.50	6.50	6.50	6.50	5.75
Sago ..	"	10.20	11.40	12.95	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	19.90	19.90	20.20	20.20	16.65
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	17.05	17.30	19.00	19.20	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.65	19.50	19.85	19.70	19.10
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	10.05	10.10	10.05	10.05	10.05	10.05	10.05	12.30	12.45	12.45	12.45	12.45	11.04
Oats, baked ..	lb.	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.50	9.00	9.00	10.50	11.17	11.50	11.50	11.00	11.00	9.76
Raisins, seeded ..	"	21.93	24.00	28.17	28.19	28.21	28.25	28.25	28.25	28.29	28.25	28.29	28.21	27.36
Currants ..	"	17.30	17.78	20.25	20.50	20.55	20.55	20.94	21.22	21.69	21.78	21.61	21.61	20.48
Apricots, dried ..	"	29.75	29.75	39.54	46.33	46.27	46.27	46.27	46.00	46.17	46.17	46.17	46.17	42.90
Peaches, canned ..	50 oz.	22.00	22.06	23.06	24.83	26.33	26.50	26.50	26.80	26.80	26.80	26.92	27.64	25.44
Pears, canned ..	"	22.61	22.61	24.58	26.56	26.48	26.65	26.69	26.71	26.92	26.88	27.58	28.00	26.03
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	31.45	27.11	25.39	24.19	25.89	26.00	26.78	27.83	28.96	28.96	32.36	38.73	28.92
Onions, brown ..	lb.	9.50	7.69	8.00	7.79	9.00	12.20	14.80	16.33	24.00	27.80	24.50	18.00	14.97
Soap ..	"	10.67	10.67	10.67	10.67	10.67	11.33	11.33	11.67	11.67	11.67	12.00	13.33	11.36
Kerosene ..	quart	10.24	10.24	10.31	10.38	10.32	10.37	11.05	11.34	11.34	11.34	11.45	11.45	10.82
Dairy Produce—														
Butter, factory ..	lb.	26.50	26.50	26.50	26.50	26.50	26.50	26.50	26.50	38.00	38.00	38.00	38.00	30.33
Cheese, mild ..	"	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	21.14	23.37	23.37	23.37	20.27
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	41.10	47.75	48.10	51.67	53.17	53.36	53.50	53.50	47.10	47.10	50.20	60.10	50.55
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	40.70	43.00	43.60	43.70	44.10	43.70	46.15	47.20	48.10	49.70	59.90	59.00	47.40
Milk, condensed ..	6½n	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	14.90	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	17.55	17.55	18.40	16.03
" fresh ..	quart	12.00	12.00	12.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	15.00	15.00	17.00	13.00	13.00	13.42
Meat—			March Quarter.			June Quarter.			September Quarter.			December Quarter.		
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.		22.17			23.80			26.63			27.83		25.11
" rib ..	"		20.26			21.18			25.56			25.27		23.07
" steak, rump ..	"		28.83			32.83			38.03			40.37		35.02
" chuck ..	"		18.27			19.40			23.40			25.37		21.61
" sausages ..	"		12.47			14.23			18.00			18.00		15.68
Beef (corned) silver- side ..	"		21.30			23.53			26.93			29.43		25.30
" brisket ..	"		18.23			19.07			22.57			23.03		20.73
Mutton, leg ..	"		16.08			22.26			25.93			27.49		22.94
" forequarter ..	"		9.46			14.68			18.04			16.77		14.74
" loin ..	"		14.54			21.22			23.42			22.85		20.53
" chops, loin ..	"		14.92			22.23			23.85			26.33		21.83
" " leg ..	"		15.09			22.74			25.14			28.37		22.83
Pork, leg ..	"		14.09			35.30			36.50			40.40		36.57
" loin ..	"		14.70			35.80			37.13			40.67		37.06
" chops ..	"		35.83			36.40			37.30			41.30		37.76

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

## SECTION II.

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

TOWN.	WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY RENTS FOR 4 AND 5-ROOMED HOUSES.						
	1939.	1946.	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
<b>NEW SOUTH WALES—</b>							
Sydney .. .. .	23 3	23 5	23 5	23 6	23 7	23 7	23 8
Newcastle .. ..	20 0	20 4	20 4	20 4	20 5	20 5	20 5
Broken Hill .. ..	16 0	16 0	16 0	16 0	16 3	16 5	16 5
Goulburn .. .. .	18 3	18 7	18 7	18 7	18 8	18 8	18 8
Bathurst .. .. .	17 8	17 8	17 8	17 9	17 9	17 9	17 11
Five Towns(b) ..	22 9	23 0	23 0	23 0	23 2	23 2	23 2
<b>VICTORIA—</b>							
Melbourne .. ..	21 5	21 11	21 11	21 11	21 11	22 0	22 0
Bathurst .. .. .	15 0	15 0	15 0	15 1	15 2	15 3	15 5
Bendigo .. .. .	15 4	15 7	15 7	15 8	15 9	16 1	16 4
Geelong .. .. .	19 8	19 11	19 11	20 0	20 0	20 0	20 0
Warrnambool .. .	19 4	19 7	19 7	19 7	19 7	19 10	19 10
Five Towns(b) ..	21 0	21 5	21 5	21 5	21 6	21 7	21 7
<b>QUEENSLAND—</b>							
Brisbane .. .. .	19 2	19 5	19 5	19 5	19 6	19 10	21 0
Toowoomba .. ..	17 9	18 1	18 1	18 4	18 6	19 0	19 10
Rockhampton .. .	16 11	17 5	17 6	17 8	17 11	18 6	19 1
Townsville .. ..	18 1	18 2	18 2	18 2	18 2	18 2	18 7
Bundaberg .. ..	13 5	14 4	14 4	14 5	14 6	14 9	15 3
Five Towns(b) ..	18 8	18 11	18 11	19 0	19 1	19 5	20 5
<b>SOUTH AUSTRALIA—</b>							
Adelaide .. .. .	19 11	20 1	20 2	20 3	20 6	20 10	21 4
Kadina, etc. .. .	8 2	8 2	8 4	8 5	8 6	8 6	11 1
Port Pirie .. ..	14 11	14 11	14 11	14 11	14 11	15 0	15 4
Mount Gambier ..	14 5	15 0	15 1	15 1	15 2	15 4	15 10
Peterborough .. .	15 9	15 10	15 10	15 11	16 0	16 1	16 4
Five Towns(b) ..	19 3	19 5	19 6	19 7	19 10	20 2	20 8
<b>WESTERN AUSTRALIA—</b>							
Perth and Fremantle ..	19 9	19 11	19 11	20 0	20 1	20 3	23 11
Kalgoorlie and Boulder ..	27 8	22 1	22 8	22 9	23 0	23 7	24 9
Northam .. .. .	18 7	18 11	18 10	19 3	20 1	20 3	24 9
Bunbury .. .. .	21 1	20 6	20 7	20 8	21 1	21 7	25 2
Geraldton .. .. .	22 4	22 4	22 4	22 4	22 8	23 0	27 5
Five Towns(b) ..	20 5	20 1	20 2	20 3	20 5	20 7	24 1
<b>TASMANIA—</b>							
Hobart .. .. .	20 9	21 0	21 0	21 0	21 1	21 2	23 7
Launceston .. ..	19 1	19 5	19 5	19 7	19 8	19 8	23 2
Burnie .. .. .	17 6	17 11	17 11	17 11	17 11	17 11	20 8
Devonport .. ..	16 0	16 2	16 2	16 2	16 2	16 4	18 4
Queenstown .. ..	16 11	17 0	17 1	17 2	17 2	17 2	17 10
Five Towns(b) ..	19 9	20 0	20 1	20 1	20 2	20 3	22 10
Thirty Towns(b) ..	21 2	21 5	21 5	21 6	21 8	21 9	22 2
Six Capitals(b) ..	21 8	21 11	21 11	22 0	22 1	22 2	22 8

(a) The rents are shown to the nearest penny. Revised series comparable only with averages published since December Quarter, 1936. See footnote (b) on page 10 and sub-paragraph (vii) on page 2 as to the meaning of these averages. Rentals of new tenanted houses completed since the end of the war are not taken into account in the above table.

(b) Weighted average.

### SECTION III.

#### Average Retail Prices of Food in Principal Cities : Australia and Other Countries, 1951.

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

Article.	Unit or Quantity.	AUSTRALIA (a)								NEW ZEALAND.							
		Sydney.				Melbourne.				Wellington.				Christchurch.			
		Feb.	May.	Aug.	Nov.	Feb.	May.	Aug.	Nov.	Feb.	May.	Aug.	Nov.	Feb.	May.	Aug.	Nov.
		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread .. .. .	a lb.	9.28	9.28	9.28	10.83	9.50	10.00	10.00	11.50	7.50	7.50	7.50	6.50	7.50	7.50	7.50	6.50
Flour, ordinary .. .. .	lb.	7.00	7.06	7.44	7.86	6.35	6.50	6.70	7.00	7.43	7.61	8.06	6.18	7.14	7.16	7.18	5.70
Tea .. .. .	lb.	46.00	46.00	46.00	47.00	45.75	46.00	46.00	47.00	74.20	79.00	80.20	75.20	74.25	79.00	79.40	77.40
Jam, plum .. .. .	1½ lb.	23.70	23.55	24.25	25.45	18.55	19.35	19.55	21.40	25.63	25.97	26.91	27.26	25.63	25.82	26.57	26.83
Sugar .. .. .	lb.	5.00	5.00	6.50	6.50	5.00	5.00	6.50	6.50	7.00	7.50	7.50	8.00	7.05	7.38	7.50	8.00
Oatmeal .. .. .	.. .. .	8.15	11.50	11.40	11.50	6.79	8.07	10.08	10.83	6.37	6.67	7.70	8.48	6.40	6.63	8.40	8.40
Raisins .. .. .	.. .. .	22.40	27.10	27.10	28.60	22.40	27.86	27.71	27.78	f10.70	f11.50	f14.88	f17.60	f11.40	f11.25	f17.00	f17.00
Peaches, canned .. .. .	30-oz. tin	21.50	26.33	26.90	27.00	20.75	26.00	26.00	26.05	30.70	32.13	32.13	34.40	29.50	29.50	30.00	34.75
Potatoes .. .. .	7 lb.	28.00	31.50	31.50	42.00	27.50	28.00	28.00	44.92	19.04	19.04	20.44	22.19	11.97	11.97	16.59	16.03
Onions .. .. .	lb.	6.00	6.00	29.20	14.57	5.25	5.00	9.00	18.00	7.50	6.33	9.00	11.33	4.00	2.50	6.25	6.50
Milk .. .. .	quart	12.50	14.00	14.00	16.00	13.25	14.25	14.25	14.25	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00
Butter .. .. .	.. .. .	26.00	26.00	26.00	37.50	26.35	26.35	26.35	37.95	24.00	24.00	24.00	24.00	24.00	24.00	24.00	20.00
Cheese .. .. .	.. .. .	19.50	19.50	19.50	27.06	18.50	18.50	18.50	26.63	18.75	19.20	19.00	20.10	18.50	19.00	19.20	21.00
Eggs .. .. .	dozen	49.05	53.05	53.05	53.05	47.00	53.99	53.90	50.90	52.00	54.00	54.00	49.40	45.40	48.00	37.00	48.00
Bacon .. .. .	lb.	49.06	50.00	54.61	69.28	48.88	50.00	52.63	66.69	28.00	32.00	32.00	36.30	28.40	32.00	32.00	36.00
		(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)								
Beef, sirloin .. .. .	.. .. .	26.72	27.86	30.11	35.55	25.37	28.06	30.91	32.20	19.00	21.33	22.67	24.00	18.67	18.83	20.00	21.67
.. rib .. .. .	.. .. .	18.87	20.06	20.11	23.67	22.73	24.91	27.65	28.20	17.00	18.00	20.00	21.67	17.33	17.33	19.00	20.33
.. steak, rump .. .. .	.. .. .	36.48	38.25	43.50	48.54	36.15	39.09	41.62	43.20	21.50	23.67	25.00	27.00	22.00	22.67	23.67	27.00
.. sausages .. .. .	.. .. .	15.10	15.77	18.46	19.18	16.08	17.61	19.00	19.81	11.33	13.00	14.00	14.33	11.00	11.33	11.67	12.00
Mutton, leg .. .. .	.. .. .	16.41	19.09	27.31	25.57	19.38	23.58	26.96	25.24	17.67	19.33	23.33	23.33	19.33	19.00	21.33	21.33
.. forequarter .. .. .	.. .. .	11.09	12.61	22.60	20.23	12.34	16.40	20.72	17.59	10.83	12.00	15.00	15.33	11.67	11.50	12.67	12.33
.. chops .. .. .	.. .. .	19.29	22.14	30.88	29.07	20.32	24.64	27.37	25.94	18.67	20.00	24.00	24.00	18.67	18.67	20.67	21.00
Pork, leg .. .. .	.. .. .	39.33	40.90	45.60	50.07	37.17	37.97	41.24	45.55	20.33	22.33	24.00	24.00	20.33	20.67	23.33	25.00
.. chops .. .. .	.. .. .	40.33	42.50	47.23	51.93	38.88	39.71	42.76	46.40	21.33	23.33	25.00	25.67	20.67	21.33	24.67	26.33

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

## SECTION III.—continued.

## Average Retail Prices of Food in Principal Cities: Australia and Other Countries, 1951—continued.

Article	Unit or Quantity	UNITED KINGDOM.(a)				UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA.							
						Capetown.				Witwatersrand.			
		Feb.	May.	Aug.	Nov.	Feb.	May.	Aug.	Nov.	Feb.	May.	Aug.	Nov.
Bread ..	2 lb.	d. 6 3	d. 6 9	d. 6 9	d. 6 9	d. 7 9	d. 7 9	d. 7 9	d. 8 5	d. 7 9	d. 7 9	d. 7 9	d. 8 3
Flour, ordinary ..	lb.	6 5	7 0	8 0	8 0	6 7	6 7	6 7	7 0	6 7	6 7	6 7	7 0
Tea ..	..	..	..	..	(b)44 0	82.9	84 8	80.9	74.7	83.5	87.7	80.9	73.7
Jam ..	1½ lb.	..	..	..	..	(c)15.7	15 9	16 1	16 1	16.3	17.4	16.8	17.1
Sugar ..	lb.	5 0	5 0	6 0	6 0	4 3	4 3	4 3	4 5	4 8	4 8	4 8	5 0
Rice ..	..	10.0	10.0	10 0	10.0	8.5	9.4	..	..	10 0	10.0	..	..
Oatmeal ..	..	..	..	..	..	9.0	11.1	11.1	11.1	9.3	10.7	11.1	11.1
Raisins ..	..	12.0	13.0	13 0	13.0	19 5	21.1	21.9	21.9	21.1	22.1	23.2	22.9
Peaches, canned ..	30-oz. tin	25.7	25.7	28.3	28.3	23 8	25.1	25.6	25.4	25.1	27.6	27.8	27 9
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	..	..	..	(b)12.9	27 3	27.3	27 3	27 3	30.3	21.0	21.0	18.2
Onions ..	lb.	..	..	..	(b)5.3	3.5	3.6	3.5	4 2	3 0	3 0	2 9	3 3
Milk ..	quart	10 0	10.0	11 0	11.0	10.6	10.6	11.0	11.0	10.6	10.6	11.2	11.2
Butter ..	lb.	24 0	30.0	30.0	30.0	33.0	33.0	33 0	33 9	33 0	33 0	33 0	33.9
Cheese ..	..	14 0	14.0	14.0	14 0	27.0	27.0	27 0	27 9	27 0	27 0	27 0	27 9
Eggs ..	dozen	45 0	39.0	39.0	31.0	40 2	49.1	29.4	29.4	40.1	48.6	29.5	29.0
Bacon ..	lb.	32.0	32.0	32.0	32.0	32 8	33.0	35.5	35 9	38.6	32 6	35.7	35 7
Beef, sirloin ..	..	(d)26.0	26 0	30.0	30 0	15 0	17 0	19.0	19 0	18 4	19 3	19 4	19 5
.. rib ..	..	(e)22.0	22 0	26 0	26 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
.. steak, rump ..	..	(d)18.0	18.0	22.0	22 0	8 0	10 0	12.0	12 0	11 4	11.4	11 6	11 6
Mutton, leg ..	..	(d)32.0	32.0	36.0	36 0	21.0	25 0	25 0	25 0	24.3	25 1	25 2	25.2
Pork, leg ..	..	(d)24 0	24 0	28.0	28 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
.. chop ..	..	(e)17 0	17 0	18 0	18 0	20.0	20.0	20 0	20 0	19 5	19 5	19.5	23.2
.. ..	..	24 0	24 0	28 0	28 0	22 0	22 0	22 0	22 0	20 9	21 7	23 2	23 2
.. ..	..	28 0	28 0	34 0	34 0	22 0	22 0	24 0	24 0	24 5	25 3	26 2	26 2

(a) Maximum permitted prices with exception of those marked (b).  
(d) British.

(e) Imported.

(b) Average prices in seven large towns in Great Britain in mid-October, 1951.

(c) Union jam.



## SECTION III.—continued.

## Average Retail Prices of Food in Principal Cities: Australia and Other Countries, 1951—continued.

Article.	Unit or Quantity.	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 ..	a lb.	21.4	22.6	22.6	21.0	22.6	22.6	22.6	24.0	31.4	31.2	31.4	31.4
Flour, ordinary ..	"	15.0	15.0	15.2	15.6	14.2	14.6	14.6	14.8	26.6	20.9	20.8	20.9
Tea ..	lb.	108.6	109.4	109.6	110.2	110.0	112.8	112.8	113.0				
Jam ..	½ lb.	(b) 37.4	(b) 36.7	(b) 36.7	(b) 37.1	(b) 39.8	(b) 39.9	(b) 40.1	(b) 39.5				
Sugar ..	lb.	11.8	11.9	12.5	12.3	11.4	11.4	11.9	11.7	10.1	10.0	10.3	10.1
Rice ..	"									18.2	18.2	18.1	16.7
Oatmeal ..	"	12.9	13.1	13.2	13.5	12.7	13.3	13.3	13.2	13.7	14.2	14.3	14.3
Raisins ..	"	24.2	24.9	28.6	27.9	21.3	22.1	23.7	24.3				
Peaches, canned ..	30-oz. tin	13.6	45.0	44.6	44.6	41.4	41.8	43.6	44.4				
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	18.8	19.7	24.8	30.7	17.4	17.5	19.0	30.0	30.3	34.4	34.7	42.1
Onions ..	lb.	6.1	6.2	19.2	8.2	6.4	7.2	9.9	8.2	7.2	9.7	7.3	8.1
Milk ..	quart	19.0	19.0	19.0	19.0	18.5	19.0	20.0	20.0	22.7	22.7	23.1	23.8
Butter ..	lb.	64.5	65.1	69.4	69.3	64.0	63.7	67.2	67.3	82.4	81.3	80.3	82.6
Cheese ..	"	62.6	65.2	67.4	68.8	63.2	65.0	66.4	66.2	59.8	58.9	58.7	59.1
Eggs ..	dozen	57.2	70.6	86.1	83.2	57.8	70.3	85.4	81.3	61.8	69.2	78.8	84.3
Bacon ..	lb.	74.6	76.1	85.3	87.2	71.7	71.6	80.2	83.8	67.9	67.8	67.8	65.9
Beef, sirloin ..	"	91.3	97.8	112.4	108.8	102.0	110.8	117.4	115.4				
" rib ..	"	88.9	92.6	100.8	99.8	85.7	95.2	98.3	99.1	85.0	83.5	83.6	89.0
" steak, rump ..	"	89.2	94.2	106.6	104.8	94.0	105.5	110.8	108.7	107.4	106.1	109.2	113.0
Pork chops ..	"	68.5	67.9	83.9	68.5	63.2	61.8	76.8	69.2	77.9	77.3	81.0	82.1

(a) Average for all towns.

(b) Strawberry jam.

## SECTION IV.

"Court" Index (Second Series) (a)—In the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration—Quarterly Retail Price Index—Numbers—Food, Groceries, Housing (4 and 5-roomed Houses), Clothing and Miscellaneous Household Expenditure. December Quarter, 1949 to December Quarter, 1950.

(Base: Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27 = 87.0.)

Cities and Towns.	1949.	1950.			
	December Quarter.	March Quarter.	June Quarter.	September Quarter.	December Quarter.
<b>NEW SOUTH WALES—</b>					
Sydney .. .. .	129.2	131.8	136.0	140.3	146.1
Newcastle .. .. .	126.0	128.1	132.1	135.0	141.6
Broken Hill .. .. .	138.3	140.4	143.2	149.3	155.7
Goulburn .. .. .	127.6	130.0	135.2	138.9	144.7
Bathurst .. .. .	123.9	128.3	132.4	136.5	142.7
Five Towns (b) .. .. .	129.1	131.6	135.8	140.0	145.9
<b>VICTORIA—</b>					
Melbourne .. .. .	128.0	130.5	134.1	136.5	143.2
Ballarat .. .. .	123.5	126.6	128.7	131.6	138.1
Bendigo .. .. .	123.8	127.1	130.0	133.0	138.5
Geelong .. .. .	126.7	129.8	132.5	135.6	140.8
Warrnambool .. .. .	126.2	129.0	133.1	136.6	143.3
Five Towns (b) .. .. .	127.7	130.3	133.8	136.2	142.8
<b>QUEENSLAND—</b>					
Brisbane .. .. .	121.1	123.0	125.8	128.9	134.5
Toowoomba .. .. .	122.4	124.3	126.5	130.1	135.8
Rockhampton .. .. .	121.7	124.2	127.1	130.2	137.1
Townsville .. .. .	125.6	127.8	131.0	132.9	138.7
Bundaberg .. .. .	119.5	121.8	125.0	127.9	134.6
Five Towns (b) .. .. .	121.5	123.4	126.2	129.3	135.1
<b>SOUTH AUSTRALIA—</b>					
Adelaide .. .. .	125.2	126.6	129.8	132.8	139.8
Kadina, Moonta, Wallaroo .. .. .	116.5	118.2	121.5	124.4	130.7
Port Pirie .. .. .	123.1	124.6	127.7	130.5	138.9
Mount Gambier .. .. .	120.2	122.2	126.3	131.8	141.1
Peterborough .. .. .	123.4	124.8	128.3	130.5	136.6
Five Towns (b) .. .. .	124.8	126.2	129.3	132.5	139.5
<b>*WESTERN AUSTRALIA—</b>					
Perth, Fremantle .. .. .	126.9	128.6	131.9	134.5	139.8
Kalgoorlie, Boulder .. .. .	134.3	136.6	140.5	143.7	148.4
Northam .. .. .	127.0	129.9	133.2	135.8	140.4
Bunbury .. .. .	128.0	130.4	133.2	136.8	142.0
Geraldton .. .. .	132.3	134.5	138.3	141.2	146.6
Five Towns (b) .. .. .	127.6	129.3	132.7	135.4	140.6
<b>TASMANIA—</b>					
Hobart .. .. .	126.9	126.5	130.5	134.5	139.2
Launceston .. .. .	123.9	123.8	127.4	131.6	136.5
Burnie .. .. .	122.3	123.2	126.9	129.8	136.2
Devonport .. .. .	121.6	122.9	126.4	129.3	136.6
Queenstown .. .. .	124.9	124.4	127.9	132.0	135.2
Five Towns (b) .. .. .	125.5	125.3	129.1	133.1	138.0
Thirty Towns (b) .. .. .	127.2	129.4	133.1	136.4	142.5
Six Capitals (b) .. .. .	127.5	129.7	133.4	136.7	142.9

## SPECIAL TOWNS NOT INCLUDED IN ABOVE WEIGHTED AVERAGES.

Warwick (Q.) .. .. .	120.9	122.3	124.5	128.2	133.3
Port Augusta (S.A.) .. .. .	124.0	125.5	128.6	132.4	139.5
Whyalla (S.A.) .. .. .	124.4	125.8	129.4	132.0	139.9
Canberra (A.C.T.) .. .. .	130.7	133.1	136.3	140.4	146.9

(a) See page 39 for explanation.

(b) Weighted average.

## SECTION IV.—continued.

"Court" Index (Third Series) (a)—In the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration—Quarterly Retail Price Index—Numbers—Food, Groceries, Housing (4 and 5-roomed Houses), Clothing and Miscellaneous Household Expenditure. December Quarter, 1951 to December Quarter, 1952.

(Base: Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27 = 103.0.)

Cities and Towns.	1951.	1952.			
	December Quarter.	March Quarter.	June Quarter.	September Quarter.	December Quarter.
New South Wales—					
Sydney .. .. .	216.3	223.2	235.2	236.6	238.1
Newcastle .. .. .	213.3	217.8	229.7	230.8	231.5
Broken Hill .. .. .	224.7	231.3	243.0	246.1	245.0
Goulburn .. .. .	215.8	221.2	234.5	232.0	231.5
Bathurst .. .. .	210.1	215.6	229.4	233.0	235.7
Five Towns (b) .. .. .	216.1	222.8	234.9	236.3	237.7
Victoria—					
Melbourne .. .. .	209.3	212.0	224.2	228.4	229.0
Ballarat .. .. .	207.9	210.6	220.9	226.7	226.2
Bendigo .. .. .	204.6	208.5	220.7	225.6	226.1
Geelong .. .. .	207.4	211.1	222.4	227.1	226.7
Warrnambool .. .. .	210.9	214.5	226.7	232.9	234.0
Five Towns (b) .. .. .	209.0	211.9	224.0	228.2	228.8
Queensland—					
Brisbane .. .. .	199.2	206.6	212.5	215.6	215.1
Toowoomba .. .. .	200.2	208.2	215.5	217.0	217.3
Rockhampton .. .. .	200.8	209.3	215.2	217.5	219.1
Townsville .. .. .	206.6	214.4	220.6	224.0	225.9
Bundaberg .. .. .	196.8	206.8	211.3	214.0	214.8
Five Towns (b) .. .. .	199.8	207.4	213.4	216.4	216.3
South Australia—					
Adelaide .. .. .	204.9	211.3	223.5	229.1	225.3
Kadina, Moonta, Walkaroo .. .. .	198.1	204.2	215.3	210.2	216.7
Port Pirie .. .. .	202.3	209.0	221.5	226.7	222.2
Mount Gambier .. .. .	208.2	212.3	222.2	225.2	223.9
Peterborough .. .. .	203.3	208.3	221.6	225.1	221.9
Five Towns (b) .. .. .	204.6	211.0	223.0	228.6	224.8
Western Australia—					
Perth, Fremantle .. .. .	204.8	214.2	222.2	228.2	229.1
Kalgoorlie, Boulder .. .. .	214.0	222.8	231.8	237.8	239.3
Northam .. .. .	205.0	213.2	224.5	230.6	232.0
Bunbury .. .. .	207.2	216.9	224.3	230.9	232.2
Geraldton .. .. .	215.2	223.4	235.3	242.5	243.4
Five Towns (b) .. .. .	205.7	215.0	223.3	229.3	230.3
Tasmania—					
Hobart .. .. .	208.4	214.2	222.3	229.7	231.5
Launceston .. .. .	207.5	212.0	220.2	227.4	227.7
Burnie .. .. .	202.8	208.5	217.2	224.0	223.5
Devonport .. .. .	200.0	205.1	214.1	221.3	221.6
Queenstown .. .. .	204.7	210.1	217.5	222.2	223.2
Five Towns (b) .. .. .	207.4	212.7	220.9	228.1	229.2
Thirty Towns (b) .. .. .	210.1	215.8	226.9	230.2	230.6
Six Capital Cities (b) .. .. .	210.3	216.0	227.2	230.5	231.0

## SPECIAL TOWNS NOT INCLUDED IN ABOVE WEIGHTED AVERAGES.

Warwick (Q.) .. .. .	197.5	205.3	212.2	215.6	216.5
Port Augusta (S.A.) .. .. .	204.8	209.8	222.9	227.3	221.8
Whyalla (S.A.) .. .. .	207.6	211.8	225.1	229.2	225.9
Canberra (A.C.T.) .. .. .	216.6	221.0	234.3	235.6	234.7

(a) See page 39 for explanation.

(b) Weighted average.

## SECTION V.

## Retail Prices.

EXTRACT FROM THE REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE CONFERENCE OF BRITISH COMMONWEALTH STATISTICIANS HELD AT CANBERRA, NOVEMBER, 1951.

## RETAIL PRICES AND/OR COST OF LIVING INDEXES.

(Agenda Item 9 (a).)

57. The 1935 Conference recommended that index-numbers of retail prices should be constructed, published and revised in accordance with the general principles enumerated at the 1920 Conference and in Article 2, vi of the International Convention relating to Economic Statistics (1928). The Second International Conference of Labour Statisticians in 1925 made a number of recommendations concerning the compilation of indexes of retail prices, and the Sixth International Conference in 1947 adopted a comprehensive resolution which included detailed recommendations on the methods and techniques to be used in measuring changes in prices.

58. The Conference decided to limit its attention to seven questions, namely, coverage, quality changes, seasonal variations, collection of prices with special reference to controlled and "open" market and "black" market prices, substitution, housing, and publication of average retail prices.

*Coverage.*

59. In most countries, index-numbers of retail prices were first constructed to throw light on changes in the cost of living of manual wage-earners. Consequently the weighting basis was restricted to the expenditure pattern of this section of each community and the items priced were restricted to important articles bought by manual wage-earners. Since 1935, however, there has been a general trend in most countries towards increasing both the coverage of the indexes and the number of items priced.

60. The Conference agreed that it is desirable to have only one official index of retail prices, and that this should be broadly based both as regards groups of persons covered in the weighting system, and also as regards the items priced. Some countries have found it necessary to compile index-numbers for different areas or cities of their countries. It was recognized that, in some countries, wide differences in expenditure patterns of different groups would make it necessary to have more than one index, but it was considered that the number of such indexes should be small in order to avoid confusion.

61. The Conference noted that in most Commonwealth countries where only one index was compiled it had reference to urban communities. It was generally agreed that where there are large differences in the patterns of expenditure of urban and rural households a single index is inadequate.

62. The Conference agreed that direct taxes ought not to be included in an index of retail prices and it observed that no Commonwealth country does so in its general index. On the other hand it was noted that indirect taxation is normally included insofar as it affects the prices of goods and services.

*Quality Changes.*

63. One of the most difficult problems encountered in the construction of index-numbers of retail prices is how to deal with changes in quality. The principle adopted in the construction of an index-number of retail prices of Laspeyres form is to measure the changing cost of a fixed basket of goods of unchanged quality. But although the principle is clear its application presents considerable difficulties. Although suggestions have been made that account should be taken only of changes in durability of articles priced it is not possible to define quality in terms of durability only. Many factors continue to determine quality.

64. There are in practice two difficulties to be surmounted—

- (i) It is necessary to be able to detect changes in quality when they have taken place.
- (ii) It is then necessary to decide what adjustment, if any, should be made in computing the price relatives.

65. Detection of changes in quality is possible by careful specification and close consultation with the retailers who supply the prices used in the index, and with manufacturers and others who can supply pertinent information. If an adjustment is necessary because of a change in quality, and prices are available for both new and old qualities over a period, a simple link can be made. If, on the other hand, the new quality

SECTION V.—*continued.*

entirely supplants the old, an estimate may have to be made of the value of the new quality in terms of the old. This involves establishing a criterion of quality. In some circumstances, durability is a suitable criterion, but, in the other cases, it is necessary to consider how important such measurable changes are compared with other changes such as palatability, style, and fashion, which are most difficult to measure but which do determine quality in very many cases.

66. The Conference agreed that every effort must be made to detect changes in the specifications or qualities of items priced, and that appropriate adjustments should be made, where possible, to ensure that the index measures changes in prices of a fixed basket of goods. It was recognized, however, that it is difficult to detect changes in quality, especially where these changes are not sudden but take place gradually.

*Seasonal Variations.*

67. The Sixth International Conference of Labour-Statisticians in 1947 resolved that "every effort should be made to include a suitable representation of fresh, canned, dried and frozen fruits and vegetables in the list of goods priced" and that "whenever necessary and feasible, account should therefore be taken in the methods adopted of the seasonal factors in consumption and prices."

68. Most Commonwealth countries include some fruits and vegetables in their indexes of retail prices and consequently have to meet the technical problems arising from seasonal fluctuations in supplies and prices.

69. Although for some purposes it is desirable to remove seasonal fluctuations in prices, for other purposes it is equally desirable that the index should include seasonal changes in price.

70. If seasonal fruits and vegetables are included in an index it is desirable to make some allowance for the considerable month to month variations in consumption of these commodities. At the same time it is essential to maintain the concept of an index which measures changes in prices of a fixed expenditure pattern in the base period. This can be done by having a fixed weight for the fruit and vegetable sub-group within which the weights for individual items may vary and even become zero in particular cases where the item is off the market. Prices or price relatives are then applied at the item level in the usual way.

71. The Conference agreed that an index of retail prices should, if possible, include prices of vegetables and fresh fruits where these are an important part of food consumption, and that in Commonwealth countries where it is not already done an attempt should be made to work out suitable procedures which would make allowance for important seasonal variations in consumption. It was recognized that circumstances might prevent the inclusion of these items, for example, where short-term fluctuations in supplies and prices are very erratic.

72. In the New Zealand consumers' price index, allowance is made for seasonal changes in prices of both fruits and vegetables, while changes in the varieties of these commodities available from month to month are also taken into account. The method by which this is done is to adjust the quantities in each monthly basket in such a manner as to obtain a constant total expenditure on fruits and vegetables in each month of the base year after allowing for the secular trend in the prices. In making this adjustment it is necessary to maintain in each month a correct relationship between the quantities of the various commodities which are marketed in that month in the base period.

*Collection of Prices.*

73. Where price controls are still maintained, difficulties sometimes arise owing to the divergence of these prices from the prices actually paid by some consumers. The Sixth International Conference of Labour-Statisticians recommended that index-numbers of retail prices should reflect prices actually charged to consumers. The practical difficulty is to obtain reliable "open" or "black" market prices and to determine how representative they are and to ascertain their relative weights.

74. The Conference agreed that actual prices (including illegal prices charged openly) should be obtained, where possible, from a large and representative sample of retailers. This does not imply that controlled prices should be ignored; but that both controlled and "black" or "open" market prices should as far as possible be obtained and given their due weight.

SECTION V.—*continued.**Enforced Substitution.*

75. Several countries in which food is still rationed have been faced with the question of whether any special adjustment should be made in an index of retail prices to allow for the fact that, when the ration of a particular commodity is cut, an alteration in consumption pattern is forced on consumers. In certain circumstances some consumers may buy more expensive substitutes and, even where the substitutes are cheaper, all consumers may suffer a loss in the form of this forced change.

76. The Conference agreed that, although some adjustment for this factor should, in principle, be made in an index which purported to measure changes in the cost of living, it would not be appropriate in an index which was designed to measure changes in prices. The only possible way of meeting this situation is to revise the weighting basis of the index. An indication of when this is necessary may be secured by small-scale sample surveys of consumption patterns. For other reasons also such surveys are important and should be carried out where possible.

*Housing.*

77. In most countries, rents of many dwellings are still controlled, while rents of most new dwellings are uncontrolled and much higher. In cases where an unchanging sample is included at each collection of statistics of rent, no account is taken of these higher rentals. One approach to this problem would be to take an adequate and changing sample of dwellings at each rent collection, so that new houses as well as old, and both controlled and uncontrolled rents, would be represented in the index. Stratification by size and type of houses would be advisable.

78. The Conference considered that the circumstances now existing in many Commonwealth countries made it desirable to include owner-occupiers' housing costs in the index. Components of housing costs discussed by the Conference included repairs and maintenance, local rates, insurance, interest on capital and depreciation. There was general agreement that the first three of these items could be included. However, the latter two items, depreciation and interest on capital, gave rise to considerable discussion. It was argued that depreciation contained an element of saving and that the residual of true depreciation would be very small in certain countries where the average life of housing covered a long span of years. In countries where housing is relatively short-lived, however, the item is significant. The solution suggested in this case is to obtain the value of the physical depreciation, each year, on the stock of housing in existence during the year. This would require a price index for new housing, together with a small weight based upon knowledge of the average length of life of housing in the countries wishing to utilize the method.

*Publication of Average Retail Prices.*

79. There is an increasing demand for regular publications of actual average retail prices. The Conference agreed that this demand should be met wherever practicable.

## SECTION VI.

## 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, 1951.

NOTE.—These rates are quoted from the latest Awards, Determinations, or Agreements which were in force at 31st December, 1951. Where two or more Award, Determination, or Agreement Rates are quoted, the reason for such is that different rates of wage have been fixed for various classes or grades of work. In certain cases of this nature the wages are shown in the form (say) 22s. 6d. to 24s. 6d., 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 23s. 6d. and 24s. 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 footnotes below).

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

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
<b>Coopering—</b>						
Coopers .. ..	s. d. 259 0	s. d. 269 0	s. d. 240 0	s. d. 262 0	s. d. 269 3	s. d. 291 0
<b>Furniture—</b>						
Cabinetmakers ..	257 0	246 6	228 0	242 6	248 8	246 6
Carpet Planners ..	257 0	246 6	..	242 6	250 8	246 6
Chairmakers ..	257 0	246 6	228 0	242 6	248 8	246 6
French Polishers ..	257 0	246 6	228 0	242 6	247 2	246 6
Upholsterers ..	257 0	246 6	228 0	242 6	247 2	246 6
Woodcarvers ..	257 0	246 6	228 0	242 6	247 2	246 6
Wood Machinists ..	257 0	229/6 to 246/6	228 0	225/6 to 242/6	239 8	229/6 to 246/6
<b>Mattress Making—Wire—</b>						
Finishers .. ..	245 6	229 0	221 7	225 0	229 8	229 0
Makers .. ..	249/6 & 252/	246 6	221 7	242 6	239 8	246 6
<b>Picture Framing—</b>						
Compo. Workers ..	241 0	239 0	221 0	235 0	230 8	239 0
General Hands ..	241 0	229 0	221 0	225 0	230 8	229 0
Gilders .. ..	241 0	229 0	221 0	225 0	230 8	229 0
Mount Cutters ..	241 0	229 0	221 0	225 0	230 8	229 0
<b>Sawmilling and Timber</b>						
<b>Yards—</b>						
Box and Casemakers	237 0	229 0	201 6	225 0	220 8	229 0
Labourers .. ..	221 0	213 0	200 6	209 0	210 8	213 0
<b>Machinists—</b>						
Box Printing ..	228 6	220 6	..	216 6	..	220 6
Bouffe Carver ..	253 6	245 6	223 0	241 6	250 8	245 6
Nailing .. ..	229 0	221 0	201 6	217 0	220 8	221 0
Planing .. ..	238/6 & 253/6	230/6 & 245/6	202 6	226/6 & 241/6	235/8 & 250/8	230/6 & 245/6
Shaping .. ..	253 6	245 6	223 0	241 6	255 8	245 6
Ordermen .. ..	240 6	232 6	208 0	228 6	235 8	232 6
Saw Dockers ..	272 0	264 0	232 8	260 0	271 8	264 0
<b>Sawyers—</b>						
Band or jig ..	238/6 to 259/	230/6 to 251/	230 6	226/6 to 247/	235/8 & 248/8	230/6 to 251/
Circular .. ..	239/ & 251/6	231/ & 243/6	210 6	227/ & 239/6	235/8 & 246/8	231/ & 243/6
Stackers .. ..	224/ & 231/	216/ & 223/	200 6	212/ & 219/	221 8	216/ & 223/
Wood Turners ..	253 6	245 6	209 10	241 6	255 8	245 6

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

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
<b>Agricultural Implements—</b>						
Assemblers .. ..	239 0	223/ & 227/	204 0	219/ & 223/	221/8 & 227/8	231 0
<b>Bulldozermen</b> ..	260 6	228 0	..	224 0	..	252 6
Drillers .. ..	235/6 to 259/	224 0	..	220 0	260 8	227/6 to 251/
Fitters .. ..	239/6 to 259/	229/6 to 236/	..	225/6 to 232/	232/8 & 236/8	231/6 to 251/
<b>Labourers—unskilled</b>	216 0	208 0	..	204 0	205 8	208 0
<b>Machinists—iron</b>	235/6 to 259/	227/6 to 251/	..	223/6 to 247/	260 8	227/6 to 251/
Painters—Brush ..	230 0	222 0	..	218 0	222 8	222 0
Scroll .. ..	230 0	231 0	..	227 0	222 8	222 0
Patternmakers ..	272 0	264 0	..	260 0	277 8	264 0
Sheet Iron Workers	244 0	236/ & 251/	..	232/ & 247/	236/8 & 251/8	236 0
Strikers .. ..	230/ & 232/	222/ & 224/	..	218/ & 220/	229/8	222/ & 224/

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

(1) 34 hours. (2) 36 hours. (3) 37½ hours. (4) 38 hours. (5) 38½ hours (77 per fortnight). (6) 39 hours. (7) 44 hours. (8) 55 hours. (9) 56 hours. (10) 35 to 40 hours. (11) 40 and 38 hours. (12) 76 hours per fortnight. (13) 42 hours. (14) 48 hours.

## SECTION VI.—continued.

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

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
<b>Boiler Making—</b>						
Journeyman	259 0	251 0	237 0	217 0	260 8	251 0
Railwaymen	259 0	251 0	237 0	217 0	260 8	251 0
<b>Brassworking—</b>						
Coromakers	235/ to 259/	227/ to 251/	237 0	223/ to 247/	260 8	227/ to 251/
Dressers	237/ & 259/	229/ & 251/	212 6	225/ & 227/	231/8 & 234/8	229/ & 251/
Finishers	244/ & 259/	236/ & 251/	237 0	232/ & 247/	260 8	236/ & 251/
Furnacemen	241/ to 244/	233/ to 236/	214/ to 223/	229/ to 232/	236 8	233/ to 236/
Moulders	235/ to 259/	227/ to 251/	224/ & 237/	223/ to 247/	260 8	227/ to 251/
<b>Cycles—</b>						
Assemblers	226 6	228/6 & 236/6	217/ & 237/	227/ & 239/6	226/8 & 230/8	232 0
Frame Builders	237 0	236/ & 237/3	232 6	236/ & 251/	244/8 & 253/8	237 0
Repairers	237 0	236/ & 237/3	232 6	236/ & 251/	244/8 & 253/8	246 6
Turners (Cycle)	237 0	237/3	232 6	236/ & 251/	253/8	251 0
<b>Electrical Installation—</b>						
Cable Joiners	251/6 & 257/6	246/6 & 249/6	237 0	242/6 & 245/6	245 2	246/6 & 249/6
Fitters	259 0	251 0	239 9	247 0	260 8	251 0
Mechanics	259 0	251 0	237 0	247 0	260 8	251 0
Patrolmen	232/6 & 247/	224/6 & 239/	210 11	220/6 & 235/	245 2	220/6 & 239/
Wiremen	217 0	239 0	237 0	235 0	245 2	239 0
Other Adults	216 0	208 0	203 0	204 0	205 8	208 0
<b>Electrical Supply—</b>						
Armature Winders	271 0	251 0	239 9	247 0	260 8	251 0
Cable Joiners	271 0	246/6 & 249/6	237 0	242/6 & 245/6	245 2	246/6 & 249/6
Instrument Makers	274 6	266 6	239 9	262 6	260 8	266 6
Linemen	263 0	239 0	237 0	235 0	245 2	239/ to 251/
Meter Testers	274 6	231/ & 238/	237 0	227/ & 234/	..	231/ & 238/
Patrolmen—Night	..	239 0	219 0	235 0	..	239 0
Shift Electricians	271 0	251 0	263 9	247 0	..	251 0
Switchboard Attendants	..	237 6	203 0	233 6	..	237 6
Other Adults	242 0	208 0	203 0	204 0	205 8	208 0
<b>Electrical Trades—</b>						
Fitters	250 0	251 0	239 9	217 0	260 8	251 0
Mechanics	259 0	251 0	237 0	247 0	260 8	251 0
Wiremen	247 0	239 0	237 0	235 0	245 2	239 0
<b>Electroplating—</b>						
Platers	229/ to 259/	221/ to 251/	237 0	217/ to 247/	231/8 to 260/8	221/ to 251/
Polishers	237 0	236 0	215/ & 237/	225 0	237 8	236 0
<b>Engineering—</b>						
Blacksmiths	260 6	252 6	241 6	248 6	260 8	252 6
Borers and Slotters	244/ & 259/	236/ & 251/	237 0	232/ & 247/	260 8	236/ & 251/
Brassfinishers	244/ & 259/	236/ & 251/	237 0	232/ & 247/	260 8	236/ & 251/
Coppersmiths	260 6	252 6	238 6	248 6	260 8	252 6
Drillers—Radial	231/ & 254/6	223/ & 246/6	213 0	219/ & 246/6	200 8	223/ & 246/6
Eitters	259 0	251 0	237 0	247 0	260 8	251 0
Millers	244/ & 259/	236/ & 251/	237 0	232/ to 247/	260 8	236/ & 251/
Patternmakers	272 0	261 0	250 0	260 0	277 8	261 0
Planers—						
Rail and Plate Edge	244/ & 259/	236/ & 251/	213 0	232/ & 247/	231 8	236/ & 251/
Other	244/ & 259/	236/ & 251/	237 0	232/ & 247/	260 8	236/ & 251/
Shapers	244/ & 259/	236/ & 251/	237 0	232/ & 247/	260 8	236/ & 251/
Turners	259 0	251 0	237 0	247 0	260 8	251 0
<b>Ironworking—Assistants—</b>						
Boilermakers' Helpers	230 0	222 0	210 0	218 0	229 8	222 0
Labourers	230 0	222 0	200 10	218 0	205 8	222 0
Engineers' Labourers	230 0	222 0	200 10	218 0	229 8	222 0
Furnacemen's Assistants	230 0	222 0	200 10	218 0	228 8	222 0
Moulders' Labourers	230 0	222 0	200 10	218 0	229 8	222 0
Strikers	230/ & 232/	222/ & 224/	200 10	218/ & 220/	229 8	222/ & 224/



## SECTION VI.—continued.

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

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Hobart
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
<b>Moulding—Iron—</b>						
<b>Coremakers—Machine</b>	235/ to 246/	227/ to 238/	237 0	223/ to 234/	244 8	227/ to 238/
" <b>Other</b>	250 0	251 0	237 0	247 0	260 8	251 0
<b>Drossers and Fettlers</b>	230/ to 240/	222/ to 232/	212 6	218/ to 228/	231/8 & 234/8	222/ to 232/
<b>Furnacemen</b>	236/ to 254/6	228/ to 246/6	214/ 40	224/ 60	236/8 to 240/8	228/ to 246/6
<b>Moulders—Machine</b>	235/ to 246/	227/ to 238/	224 0	223/ to 234/	244 8	217/ to 238/
" <b>Other</b>	250 0	251 0	237 0	247 0	260 8	251 0
<b>Sheet Metal Working—</b>						
<b>Canister Makers</b>	233 0	225 0	211 0	221 0	224 8	225 0
<b>Japanners—</b>						
<b>Coating or Brush-</b>						
<b>work</b>	229 0	221 0	222 0	217 0	220 2	221 0
<b>Ornamental</b>	244 0	236 0	222 0	232 0	220 2	236 0
<b>Solders</b>	229/ & 233/	221/ & 225/	222 0	217/ & 221/	221 8	221/ & 225/
<b>Tinsmiths</b>	244/ & 259/	236/ & 251/	237 0	232/ & 217/	251 8	236/ & 251/
<b>Nailmaking—</b>						
<b>Cane Wirens</b>	227 0	208 0	..	..	..	..
<b>Labourers</b>	227 0	208 0	..	..	..	..
<b>Setters Up</b>	246 0	225 0	..	..	..	..
<b>Wire Working—</b>						
<b>Journeymen</b>	227 0	228 0	196 0	210 0	216 2	..

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

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Hobart.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
<b>Aerated Water and</b>						
<b>Cardials—</b>						
<b>Bottlers</b>	227 0	210 0	205 0	222 0	220 8	210 0
<b>Drivers (Motor)</b>	238/6 to 249/	230/6 to 241/	213/ to 221/	226/6 to 237/	228/8 & 231/8	230/6 to 241/
<b>(One Horse)</b>	230 6	222 6	211 0	218 6	221 2	222 6
<b>Packers</b>	224 0	216 0	202 0	219 0	214 2	216 0
<b>Wires</b>	221 6	216 0	202 0	219 0	214 2	216 0
<b>Baking (Bread)—</b>						
<b>Board Hands</b>	267 0	260 10	225/10 230/	247 6	268 8	251 0
<b>Carters (One horse)</b>	247 0	224 0	212 0	242 0	226 8	230 6
<b>Doughmen</b>	229/6 & 282/6	226 10	232 6	257 6	273 8	251 0
<b>Overmen</b>	275 6	260 10	230 0	247 6	268 8	251 0
<b>Singlehands</b>	272 0	270 0	232 6	252 6	273 8	258 6
<b>Baking (Biscuits and</b>						
<b>Cakes)—</b>						
<b>Adult Males</b>	213 0	216 0	199 6	208 0	217 8	205 0
<b>Bakers</b>	239 6	238 0	210 0	225 0	226 8	237 0
<b>Mixers</b>	228/ & 232/	237 0	210 0	223 0	228 8	214 6
<b>Brewing—</b>						
<b>Adult Males</b>	211 0	235 0	206 0	210 0	238 8	237 0
<b>Boilerm and Washers</b>	241 0	238 0	206 0	210 0	238 8	237 0
<b>Cellarmen</b>	241/ & 246/	243 3	216 0	234 0	243 8	237 0
<b>Drivers (Two Horses)</b>	247 0	241 0	217 0	222 0	238 8	230 6
<b>(Motor under 3</b>						
<b>tons)</b>	255 0	251 0	217/ 60 225/	225 0	248 8	230/6 & 236/6
<b>Towermen</b>	246 0	241 0	206 0	222 0	243 8	245 0
<b>Butchering (Carcases)—</b>						
<b>Chilling Room Hands</b>	233/ & 238/	222 6	208 0	263 9	233 2	261 0
<b>Labourers (Beef)</b>	237 0	256 6	208 0	256 9	221 8	239 0
<b>(Mutton)</b>	229 0	253 6	208 0	256 9	221 8	230 0
<b>Scalers</b>	277 0	266 0	225 6	331 0	221 8	242 6
<b>Slaughtermen (Beef)</b>	317 0	318 3	233 6	331 0	250 8	271 0
" <b>(Mutton)</b>	(u)	318 3	233 6	331 0	250 8	271 0

(a) Piecwork rates.



## SECTION VI.—continued.

## GROUP IV.—CLOTHING, TEXTILES, ETC.—continued.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth	Hobart.
<b>Tailoring—Ready-made—</b>	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Cutters .. ..	258 0	258 0	258 0	258 0	258 0	258 0
Folders .. ..	228 0	228 0	228 0	228 0	228 0	228 0
Machinists .. ..	247 0	247 0	247 0	247 0	247 0	247 0
Pressers .. ..	247 0	247 0	247 0	247 0	247 0	247 0
Tailors .. ..	254 0	254 0	254 0	254 0	254 0	254 0
Trimmers .. ..	247 0	247 0	247 0	247 0	247 0	247 0
<b>Textile-Working—Woolen Mills—</b>						
Carders .. ..	229 0	229 0	203/ & 206/	222 0	229 0	229 0
Dye-housemen .. ..	234 0	234 0	203 0	227 0	234 0	234 0
Labourers—General .. ..	205 0	205 0	199 0	198 0	205 0	205 0
Pattern Weavers .. ..	240 0	240 0	233 0	233 0	240 0	240 0
Scourers .. ..	234/ & 241/6	234/ & 241/6	209/ & 215/	227/ & 234/6	234/ & 241/6	234/ & 241/6
Spinners .. ..	229 0	229 0	203/ & 210/	222 0	229 0	229 0
Tuners .. ..	222/ to 252/	222/ to 252/	201/ to 228/	215/ to 245/	222/ to 252/	222/ to 252/

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

Industry and Occupation	Sydney	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
<b>Bookbinding—</b>	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Bookbinders .. ..	265 0	257 0	243 0	253 0	255 0	257 0
Finishers .. ..	265 0	257 0	243 0	253 0	255 0	257 0
Marblers .. ..	265 0	257 0	243 0	253 0	255 0	257 0
Paper Cutters .. ..	265 0	257 0	243 0	253 0	255 0	257 0
<b>Engraving (Process)—(a)</b>						
Engravers .. ..	267 0	259 0	..	255 0	265 8	263 0
Etchers—Half-tone .. ..	271 0	263 6	..	259 0	265 8	263 6
Etchers—Line .. ..	267 0	259 0	..	255 0	260 8	259 0
Operators .. ..	271 0	263 6	..	259 0	265 8	263 6
Printers .. ..	267 0	259/ & 263/6	..	255 0	260 8	257 0
Routees .. ..	265 0	257 0	..	253 0	251 8	257 0
<b>Lithography—</b>						
Printers .. ..	265 0	257 0	243 0	253 0	255 0	257 0
Rotary Machinists .. ..	265 0	257 0	243 0	253 0	255 0	257 0
Stone Polishers .. ..	235 0	227 0	213 0	223 0	225 0	227 0
<b>Printing (Daily Newspapers)—</b>						
Compositors—						
Day Work .. ..	333/ to 340/6	*310 0	284/ & 293/	290 0	*290 0	294 0
Night Work .. ..	348/ to 356/6	*335 0	294/ & 313/	310 0	*305 0	314 0
Linotype Attendants—						
Day Work .. ..	293/ to 300/6	268 6	273/6 & 282/6	272 0	*258 1	276 0
Night Work .. ..	308/ to 316/6	*293 6	283/6 & 302/6	292 0	*273 1	296 0
Linotype Operators—						
Day Work .. ..	333/ to 340/6	310 0	267/6 & 276/6	290 0	*302 9	294 0
Night Work .. ..	348/ to 356/6	*335 0	227/6 & 296/6	310 0	*317 9	314 0
Machinists (First Hand)—						
Day Work .. ..	293/ to 305/6	314 6	276/ & 285/	290 0	*279 11	294 0
Night Work .. ..	308/ to 321/6	*339 6	286/ & 305/	310 0	*294 11	314 0
Publishers .. ..	270/6 to 294/	*268/6 to 293/6	242/6 & 271/6	257 0	*255/1 & *270/1	261 0
Readers—						
Day Work .. ..	300/6 to 308/	310 0	267/6 & 276/6	281 0	*290 0	285 0
Night Work .. ..	315/6 to 324/	*335 0	277/6 & 296/6	301 0	*305 0	305 0
Readers' Assistants—						
Day Work .. ..	270/6 to 278/	282 6	242/6 & 251/6	254 0	*250 4	258 0
Night Work .. ..	285/6 to 294/	*307 6	252/6 & 271/6	274 0	*265 4	278 0
Stereotypers (First Class)—						
Day Work .. ..	288/ to 300/6	*310 0	262/6 & 266/6	269 0	*275 1	273 0
Night Work .. ..	303/ to 316/6	*335 0	272/6 & 286/6	289 0	*290 1	293 0

(a) Other than in newspaper offices.

## SECTION VI.—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.
<b>Printing (Job Offices)—</b>						
Compositors ..	265/ to 275/6	257/ to 267/6	243/ to 253/6	253/ to 263/6	255/ to 265/6	257/ to 267/6
Electrotypers ..	265 0	257 0	243 0	253 0	255 0	257 0
General Hands ..	223 0	215 0	201 0	211 0	213 0	215 0
Linotype Operators ..	275 6	267 6	253 6	263 6	265 6	267 6
Machinists ..	265 0	257 0	243 0	253 0	255 0	257 0
Monotype Operators ..	275 6	267 6	253 6	263 6	265 6	267 6
Monotype Casting						
Machinists ..	265 0	257 0	243 0	253 0	255 0	257 0
Readers ..	268 6	260 6	246 6	256 6	258 6	260 6
Stereotypers ..	265 0	257 0	243 0	253 0	255 0	257 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.
<b>Brickmaking—</b>						
Burners ..	237/ & 243/	210 0	203 0	231 6	232 8	239 9
Carters—Two Horses ..	238 0	230 6	216 0	226 6	228 8	222 6
Drawers ..	250 6	238/3 & 240/9	200 6	236 6	235 3	239 9
Labourers ..	234 6	229 0	195 8	219 0	224 3	237 0
Machinemen ..	253 6	245 3	200 6	230 0	224 8	237 0
Paintmen ..	242/6 & 256/6	232/ & 236/6	195 8	237 6	224 8	237 0
Pitmen ..	251 0	243/3 & 249/3	197 6	244 0	224 8	237 0
Setters ..	250 6	238/3 & 250/9	199 0	236 6	235 8	242 6
Wheelers ..	251 0	231 6	197 6	245 0	224 8	237 0
<b>Brushmaking—</b>						
Base Broom Drawers ..	244 6	230 0	202 6	240 0	231 8	..
Finishers ..	244 6	230 0	202 6	240 0	231 8	..
Machinists—Boring ..	214 6	224 0	202 6	240 0	231 8	..
Paint Brush Makers ..	252 0	245 3	202 6	240 0	231 8	..
<b>Candle Making—</b>						
Acidifiers ..	237 6	237 6	..	233 6	..	..
General Hands ..	231 0	226/ to 231/	..	224 0	213 8	..
Glycerine Distillers ..	243 3	237 6	..	233 6	228 2	..
Moulders ..	243 3	231 0	..	225 6	..	..
Stillmen ..	248 6	237 6	..	233 6	..	..
<b>Cardboard Box Makers—</b>						
Gulcholine and other Cutters ..	238/6 to 250/6	230/6 to 240/6	200 0	226/6 to 238/6	228/6 to 240/6	230/6 to 242/6
Other Adults ..	223 0	215 0	187 6	211 0	213 0	215 0
<b>Coachmaking (Road)—</b>						
Bodymakers ..	259 0	251 0	237 0	247 0	251 8	251 0
Labourers ..	210 0	202 0	196 6	198 0	205 8	202 0
Painters ..	232/6 to 253/6	224/6 to 245/6	231 6	226/6 to 241/6	247 2	244/6 to 245/6
Smiths ..	260 6	252 6	238 6	248 6	251 8	252 6
Trimmers ..	253 6	245 6	231 6	241 0	247 2	245 6
Wheelmaking Machinists ..	250 0	251 0	231 6	247 0	241 2	251 0
Wheelwrights ..	253 6	245 6	231 6	241 0	247 2	245 6
<b>Fellmongering—</b>						
Base Hands ..	232 0	225 0	212 0	221 0	220 8	227 0
Green Hands ..	232 0	225 0	212 0	221 0	220/8 & 224/5	227 0
Limepit Men ..	232 0	225 0	212 0	221 0	220 8	227 0
Machinists ..	232/ to 240/6	225/ to 233/6	212/ to 220/6	221/ to 229/6	220/8 & 224/5	227/ to 235/6
Soakhole Men ..	235 0	228 0	215 0	224 0	224 5	230 0
Wool Sorters ..	250/6 & 270/6	243/6 & 263/6	230/6 & 250/6	230/6 & 250/6	236 11	245/6 & 265/6

## SECTION VI.—continued.

## GROUP VI.—OTHER MANUFACTURING—continued.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
<b>Gas Making and Supply—</b>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
Coke Trimmers ..	235 0	220 0	201 0	219 0	222 8	220 0
Gas Fitters ..	273 0	256 6	246 0	256 0	252 8	251 0
Labourers ..	222 0	214 0	201 0	210 0	222 8	214 0
Mainlayers ..	232 0	231 0	219 6	250/ & 265/	242 8	231 0
Metermakers ..	257 0	249 0	237 0	251 0	255 8	251 0
Meter Testers ..	236/ & 245/	243 0	215 0	236 0	235 8	234 0
Service Layers ..	251 0	237 0	219 6	256 0	242 8	237 0
Stokers ..	246 0	231 0	228 0	234 0	233 8	232 0
<b>Glassfoundry—</b>						
Furnacemen ..	248 6	234/6 to 249/6	220/6 to 235/6	230/6 to 245/6	232/6 to 247/6	..
Labourers ..	220 0	218 0	204 0	214 0	216 0	..
Lehrmen ..	230 0	226 0	212 0	222 0	224 0	..
Sorters ..	231 0	223/6 & 230/	209/6 & 216/	219/6 & 226/	221/6 & 228/	..
<b>Glass Working and Glazing</b>						
Bevellers ..	264 6	246 6	232 6	242 6	247 2	246 6
Cutters and Glaziers ..	257 0	246 6	232 6	242 6	247 2	246 6
Lead Light Glaziers ..	257 0	246 6	240 0	242 6	247 2	246 6
Sliverers ..	264 6	246 6	232 6	242 6	247 2	246 6
<b>Jewellery, Clock and Watchmaking—</b>						
Chainmakers ..	257 0	251 0	209 6	247 6	253 2	..
Engravers ..	265 0	251 0	209/6 & 215/	249 6	253 2	..
Mounters ..	257 0	251 0	209/6 & 215/	255 6	253 2	..
Setters ..	265 0	241 6	..	255 6	253 2	..
Watch and Clock-makers and Repairers	272 0	228/ & 253/	222 6	253 0	255 8	234/ & 264/
<b>Masonry—Marble and Stone—</b>						
Carvers ..	297 8	(a) 268 6	242 0	269 0	251 8	..
Machinists—						
Carbontum ..	271 0	(a) 238/6 & 249/3	242 0	229/6 & 240/	228 8	253 0
Other ..	271 0	(a) 238/6 & 249/3	242 0	229/6 & 240/	228 8	253 0
Masons ..	271 0	(a) 257 3	242 0	248 0	251 8	253 0
<b>Paper Bag Making—</b>						
Guillotine Cutters ..	245 6	237 6	223 6	233 6	235 6	237 6
Machinists ..	245/6 & 253/	237/6 & 245/	223/6 & 231/	233/6 & 241/	235/6 & 243/	237/6 & 245/
<b>Paper Making—</b>						
Heatermen ..	281 6	271/6 to 285/	..	..	..	280 0
Breakermen ..	250 6	242 6	..	..	..	..
Guillotine Men ..	253 0	245 0	..	..	..	246 6
Machinists ..	291 0	278/ to 310/	..	..	..	280/ to 305/
Knooleremen ..	249 6	240 0	..	..	..	..
Other Adults ..	238 0	230 0	..	..	..	225 0
<b>Potteries—General—</b>						
Burners—Head ..	236 0	230 0	211 6	221/6 & 227 6	230 8	235 0
Hollow-ware Pressers ..	242 0	223 0	203 0	217 0	..	245 0
Sanitary Pressers ..	248 0	224 0	203 0	217 0	219/2 & 227/2	245 0
Throwers—1st Class ..	249/ to 252/	232 0	214 0	236/ & 251/	..	248 0
<b>Potteries—Pipemaking—</b>						
Burners—Head ..	243 0	230 0	210 6	236 6	233 2	235 0
Drawers ..	244 6	221 0	200 6	226 6	229 8	..
Moulders ..	247 6	214 0	197 6	236 6	232 2	232 6
Mould Makers ..	247 6	232 0	203 0	223 0	229 8	..
Setters ..	244 6	227 0	199 0	232/6 & 236/6	229 8	235 0
<b>Quarrying—</b>						
Borers—Hand or Machine ..	247 0	244 0	200 2	238 0	223 8	234 0
Drossers ..	253 8	254 6	203 10	231 6	223 8	228 0
Facemen ..	253 7	248 6	200 2	231 6	223 8	228 0
Hammermen ..	247 0	259 6	200 2	238 0	219 2	228 0
Machine Feeders ..	254 6	251 0	195/7 & 199/8	231 6	227 8	234 0
Quarrymen ..	255 8	..	203 10	231 6	219 2	235 6

(a) Not strictly comparable with rates for previous years which included certain special allowances in respect of annual leave.

## SECTION VI.—continued.

## GROUP VI.—OTHER MANUFACTURING—continued.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
<b>Rubber Working—</b>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
Calendar Bands ..	242/ & 247/	234/ & 239/	209 0	232 6	..	..
Cycle Tyre Makers ..	224 0	216 0	..	..	..	227 6
Dough Mixers ..	224 0	216 0	202 6	216 6	..	..
Hosemakers ..	226/ to 233/	218/ to 225/	202 6	..	..	..
<b>Mechanical Lathes</b>						
Hands ..	226/ & 230/6	218/ & 222/6	202 6	218 6	..	..
Mill Hands ..	221/ & 233/	216/ & 225/	202 6	228 0	..	..
Spreaders ..	227/ & 233/	219/ & 225/	202/6 & 205/	..	..	..
Surgical, Packing, and other Makers ..	226/ & 235/	218/ & 227/	198/ & 202/6	..	..	..
Tyre Moulders ..	224/ & 230/6	216/ & 222/6	207 0	220 6	..	227 6
<b>Saddlery and Harness Making—</b>						
Harness Makers ..	247 0	239 0	225 0	235 0	241 8	239 0
Saddlers ..	247 0	239 0	225 0	235 0	241 8	239 0
<b>Sailmaking—</b>						
Sailmakers ..	247 0	239 0	225 0	235 0	..	239 0
<b>Shipbuilding—</b>						
Carpenters and Joiners ..	277 0	277 0	277 0	277 0	277 0	277 0
Dockers (a) ..	223/ to 238/	223/ to 238/	223/ to 238/	223/ to 238/	223/ to 238/	223/ to 238/
Painters (a) ..	223/ to 238/	223/ to 238/	223/ to 238/	223/ to 238/	223/ to 238/	223/ to 238/
Shipwrights ..	260 6	260 6	260 6	260 6	260 6	260 6
<b>Soap Making—</b>						
General Hands ..	231 0	226/ to 231/6	203 6	227 0	213 8	210 0
Mixers ..	243 3	231/ to 236	203 6	221/ & 227/	..	210 0
Soap Makers ..	269 6	238 6	203 6	231 6	222 8	230 0
<b>Tanning and Currying—</b>						
Beamsmen ..	254 6	216 6	232 6	242 6	244 6	246 6
Carriers ..	270 6	262 6	248 6	258 6	260 6	262 6
Japanners or Enamellers ..	254 0	246 0	232 0	242 0	244 0	246 0
Joiners ..	247 6	239 6	225 6	235 6	237 6	239 6
<b>Machinists—</b>						
Fleshing ..	259 6	251 6	237 6	247 6	249 6	251 6
Scouring ..	245 6	237 6	223 6	233 6	235 6	237 6
Splitting ..	261/6 to 268/6	253/6 to 260/6	239/6 to 246/6	249/6 to 256/6	251/6 to 258/6	253/6 to 260/6
Unhauling ..	254 6	246 6	232 6	242 6	244 6	246 6
Rollers and Strikers ..	253/ & 255/6	245/ & 247/6	231/ & 233/6	241/ & 243/6	243/ & 245/6	245/ & 247/6
Tablemen ..	249/6 to 255/6	241/6 to 247/6	227/6 to 233/6	237/6 to 243/6	239/6 to 245/6	241/6 to 247/6
<b>Tent and Tarpaulin Making—</b>						
Cutters ..	241 0	233 0	219 0	229 0	..	233 0
Machinists ..	241 0	233 0	219 0	229 0	..	233 0
Sewers—Hand ..	241 0	233 0	219 0	229 0	..	233 0
Tent Makers ..	241 0	233 0	219 0	229 0	..	233 0

(a) Permanent rate

## GROUP VII.—BUILDING.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
<b>Building—</b>	<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>Bricklayers—</b>						
Sewer and Tunnel ..	305 0	293 5	253 0	277 6	283 9	263/6 & 273/6
Surface ..	291 8	282 6	245 6	277 6	278 9	258 6
Carpenters ..	298 4	261 6	249 0	257 6	280 3	255 6
Labouring (Builders)(a) ..	232 6	224 6	224 6	220 6	234 4	224 6
Lathers ..	298 4	261 6	245 6	257 6	280 3	258 6
Metal Cellars ..	298 4	261 6	249 0	257 6	280 3	258 6
Masons ..	271 0	(b) 257 3	242 0	277 6	277 3	258 6
Painters, Paperhangers ..	281 8	282 6	245 6	246 3	277 9	258 6
Signwriters ..	294 2	282 6	245 6	246 3	277 9	258 6

(a) Rate excludes allowances for statutory holidays, following the job and sick pay. (b) Not strictly comparable with rates for previous years which included certain special allowances in respect of annual leave.

## SECTION VI.—continued.

## GROUP VII.—BUILDING—continued.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
<b>Building—continued.—</b>	<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>Plasterers—</b>						
Sewer or Tunnel ..	303 4	280 6	253/ & 257/	276 10	283 9	263/6 & 273/6
Surface ..	290 0	276 8	245 6	276 10	278 9	258 6
Plumbers, Gasfitters ..	290 6	282 2	246 0	253 0	280 3	263 0
Slaters ..	273 0	282 6	245 6	..	246 8	..
Tilers (Roof) ..	273 0	282 6	245 6	246 6	246 8	..
Tuckpointers ..	291 8	282 6	245 6	277 6	..	..
<b>Water Supply and Sewerage—</b>						
Concrete Workers ..	245/3 to 254/5	244 0	205/ to 221/6	216 0	217/8 to 229/8	223/ & 226/
Labourers ..	239/1 to 249/10	224 0	196/ to 208/11	195 0	211 8	214 0
Miners—Sewer ..	10250/10 to 278/9	229/ to 239/	221/6 & 226/6	223/ & 235/	219/2 to 235/8	223/ & 235/
Pipe-jointers and Setters ..	249/10 to 255/1	239 0	201 6	216/ to 224/	229/8 & 240/8	226 0

## GROUP VIII.—MINING.

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>Coal-mining—</b>						
Blacksmiths ..	265 3	259 6	239 2	..	293 1	254 10
Bracemen ..	261 1	242 6	228/ to 245/1	..	..	239 5
Carpenters ..	269 0	261 0	237/2 to 253/10	..	..	244 0
Deputies ..	309 8	276 11	282/8 to 298/1	..	301 9	278 6
Engine Drivers— Winding and Loco.	262/10 to 284/5	248/11 to 253/6	236/ to 260/4	..	274 3	249/11 & 252/10
Other ..	249/5 to 261/11	248 6	230/7 to 256/5	..	..	241/2 to 249/11
<b>Labourers—</b>						
Surface ..	246 6	239/7 & 246/3	225/1 to 241/4	..	236 9	239 5
Underground ..	249 5	239/7 & 247/1	225/1 to 241/4	..	245 6	239 5
<b>Miners—</b>						
Machine ..	(a) 268/7 & 290/3	(b)	244/3 to 267/2	..	283 7	261 1
Manual—Dry Work Platmen or Banksmen	(a) 268 7 246/6 & 266/1	(a) 252 6 256 3	(b) 225/1 to 242/4	..	259 8 242 9	..
<b>Shiftmen—</b>						
Dry Work ..	268 7	256 3	238/ to 253/10	..	259 8	253 2
Wet Work ..	276 1	263 9	247/3 to 261/1	..	..	260 8
Shotfirers ..	299 1	270 0	275/7 to 291/	..	283 7	256 1
Timbermen ..	263/7 & 268/7	256 3	238/ to 253/10	..	259 8	253 2
Weldghmen ..	250 8	253 7	266 0	..	284 0	248 2
Wheelers ..	250/3 & 252/9	247 11	228/5 to 246/9	..	248 3	239 5
<b>Gold and Other Mining (except Coal)—</b>						
Battery Feeders ..	232/ to 238/	212/ & 215/	201 4	227 0	(c) 258 5	222/ to 226/
Bracemen ..	234/ to 240/	222/ & 225/	206 10	236/ & 243/6	263 5	232/ to 236/

(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 VI.—continued.

## GROUP VIII—MINING—continued.

Industry and Occupation	N.S.W.	Victoria	Queen-land	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
<b>Gold and Other Mining (except Coal)—contd.</b>					(a)	
Engine Drivers—						
Stationary ..	216/ to 252/	233/ to 244/6	194/ to 251/	..	267/8 to 278/10	234/ to 243/
Winding and Loco	222/ to 261/	234/ to 258/6	209/ to 241/	227 0	273/5 to 317/7	234/ to 243/
Firemen ..	211/6 to 228/	228/ & 233/	194/ to 243/9	..	260/1 to 268/10	222/ to 231/
Labourers ..	224/ to 233/	212/ & 215/	201 4	236 0	250 11	222/ to 231/
Miners—						
Machine ..	244/ to 260/6	229/ to 235/	206/10 to 215/	..	270/11 to 280/12	237/ to 246/
Manual—						
Dry Work ..	244/ to 253/	226/ to 235/	206 10	236 0	263/5 to 273/5	236/ to 240/
Wet Work ..	251/6 to 269/6	235/ to 244/	214 4	243 6	272/5 to 282/5	243/6 to 247/6
Platmen ..	234/ to 247/6	222/ & 225/	206 10	..	263 5	232/ to 247/
Shaft Sinks—						
Dry Work ..	247/ to 253/	229/ & 235/	206 10	236 0	268/5 to 280/11	242/ to 246/
Wet Work ..	254/6 to 260/6	238/ & 241/	214 4	243 6	277/5 to 289/11	249/6 to 253/6
Timbermen ..	245/ to 263/6	229/ to 237/	215 0	236 0	273/5 to 280/11	239/ to 246/

(a) Excludes district allowances.

## GROUP IX.—RAILWAY AND TRAMWAY TRANSPORT.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
<b>Railways—</b>						
Engine Drivers (Loco.)—						
1st Class ..	296/ & 299/	277/ to 292/	269 1	273/ to 288/	281/8 to 289/8	275/ to 290/
2nd Class ..	290 0	274 0	250 9	270 0	272 8	272 0
3rd Class ..	281 0	265 0	252 1	261 0	262 2	263 0
4th Class ..	262 6	255 0	244 5	251 6	256 8	253 6
5th Class ..	256 0	249 0	244 5	245 0	256 8	247 0
Firemen—						
1st Class ..	249/ & 252/	235/ to 242/	225 0	231/ to 238/	248 8	233/ to 240/
2nd Class ..	216 0	229 0	218 10	225 0	236 8	227 0
3rd Class ..	212 0	223 0	218 10	219 0	229 8	221 0
Guards—						
1st Class ..	266 0	258 0	241 9	252 6	255 8	241/6 to 250/
2nd Class ..	257/ & 260/	241/ to 252/6	237 10	243/6 & 249/	249 8	237 0
3rd Class ..	252/ & 254/	241/ to 252/6	226 0	231/ & 237/	243 8	234 0
Porters ..	223/ to 251/	216/6 to 251/	204/10 to 208/9	212/ to 237/	208/8 to 228/8	214/ to 237/
Shunters—						
1st Class ..	1265/ & 269/	1257/ & 260/	246 3	244/ & 247/	243/8 to 249/8	241/6 & 245/6
2nd Class ..	1254/6 & 257/6	1249/6 & 252/6	237 5	237 0	237 8	234 0
3rd Class ..	1235/ to 251/	1230/ to 239/6	233 5	224/ to 234/	231 8	229 0
Ordinary ..	1235/ to 245/	1230/ to 239/6	217 7	224/ to 234/	234 8	226 0
Signalmen—						
Special ..	12264 0	12274 0	235/8 & 245/6	253/ & 262/	260 2	..
1st Class ..	12281 0	12263 6	223 8	216 0	216 8	237 0
2nd Class ..	273 0	250 0	227 10	240 0	237 8	231 0
3rd Class ..	265 0	242 6	220 10	232 0	227 2	229 0
4th Class ..	257 0	238 0	215 1	227 0	222 8	229 0



## SECTION VI.—continued.

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

Industry and Occupation	Sydney.	Melbourne	Brisbane.	Adelaide	Perth	Hobart.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
<b>Tramways (Electric)—</b>						
Car Washers or Cleaners	220 0	222 0	199 7	209/ & 212/	213 8	216 0
Conductors—						
1st Year	225 0	222 0	198/6 & 201/6	212/ & 214/	232 8	217 6
2nd Year	234 0	228 0	201/6 & 205/	214 0	232 8	221 6
3rd Year	234 0	228 0	205/ & 211/	218 0	232 8	221 6
Labourers	215 0	216 0	196 0	210/ & 213/	205 8	216 0
Maintenance Men	221/ & 227/	225 0	196/ to 208/8	215/ & 218/	220 8	220 0
<b>Motormen—</b>						
1st Year	237 0	222 0	198/6 & 201/6	214 0	232 8	219 0
2nd Year	237 0	228 0	201/6 & 205/	217 0	232 8	223 0
3rd Year	237 0	228 0	205/ & 211/	220 0	232 8	223 0
<b>Overhead Wiremen—</b>						
Leading	257 6	239 0	252 0	235 0	250 2	232 0
Other	225/6 & 248/6	222 0	237 0	218 0	241 2	226 0
<b>Pitmen</b>	240 0	236 0	214/ & 217/	215/ to 223/	232 8	227 6
<b>Signalmen</b>	252/ to 255/	231/ & 230/	207/ & 211/	234/ & 239/	205 8	216 0
<b>Track Cleaners</b>	220 0	222 0	195 0	210/ & 213/	215/8 & 229/8	216 0

## GROUP X.—OTHER LAND TRANSPORT.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide	Perth	Hobart.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
<b>Carrying—Merchandise—</b>						
<b>Carriers—</b>						
One Horse	238 0	222 6	211 0	218 6	221 2	222 6
Two Horses	243 0	230 6	216 0	226 6	228 8	230 6
<b>Corporation Carters—</b>						
One Horse	238 0	222 6	211 0	218 6	221 2	222 6
Two Horses	243 0	230 6	216 0	226 6	228 8	230 6
<b>Jinkers—</b>						
One Horse	238 0	232 0	218 0	228 0	230 6	232 0
Two Horses	243 0	239 6	223 0	235 6	235 8	239 6
<b>Sanitary Carters</b>	296/ & 301/	228 6	211 0	221 6	238 2	228 6
<b>Stable Hands</b>	237/6 & 242/6	217 0	204 0	213 0	217 8	217 0
<b>Motor Lorries and Wagons—</b>						
Under 3 tons	240/ to 250/	230/6 & 236/6	213/ to 221/	206/6 & 232/6	228/8 & 231/8	230/6 & 236/6
3 tons or over	254/ to 258/	241 0	225/ & 229/	237 0	235/8 to 240/8	241 0
<b>Lift Attendants—</b>						
Goods	228 0	225 0	196/ & 198/	215 6	216 2	..
Passenger	228 0	225 0	190/ & 192/	215 6	216 2	..

## SECTION VI.—continued.

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

Industry and Occupation.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Queensland.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
<b>Waterside Working—</b>						
Wharf Labourers per hour <i>a</i>	7 2½	7 2½	7 2½ to 7 7½	7 2½	7 2½	7 2½
<b>Passenger Vessels—Interstate <i>b</i>—</b>			£ s. d.			
Bakers per month			45/7/6 to 52/0/0(c)			
Barmen "			45/7/6(d)			
Butchers "			47/0/0 to 50/15/0(c)			
Cooks—						
Chief "			54/12/6 & 56/15/0(c)			
Second "			49/15/0 & 53/12/6(c)			
Third "			45/7/6(c)			
Ships "			48/12/6(c)			
Pantrymen "			46/10/0 & 47/0/0(c)			
Scullerymen "			44/0/0(b)			
Stewards—						
Chief Saloon "			58/5/0 to 66/5/0(d)			
Second "			49/5/0(d)			
Second Saloon "			47/12/6(d)			
Fore Cabin "			47/0/0(d)			
Bedroom and Other "			44/15/0 & 45/17/6(d)			
<b>All Vessels—Interstate <i>c</i>—</b>						
A.B. Seamen per month			47/2/6			
Boatswains "			48/2/6			
Doukeymen "			50/2/6			
Firemen "			49/2/6			
Greasers "			49/2/6			
Lamp Trimmers "			48/2/6			
Fuel Trimmers "			47/2/6			
<b>Marine Engineers <i>b e f</i>—</b>			<i>Vessels (Steam)</i>			<i>Vessels (Steam).</i>
Chief per month		100 N.H.P. and under.	65/13/0 to 69/13/0		Over 100 N.H.P.	71/16/0 to 99/7/0
Second "			60/14/0			60/14/0 to 71/14/0
Third "			56/17/0			56/17/0 to 64/2/0
Fourth "			..			53/5/6 to 60/10/0
Fifth and under "			..			52/13/6
			<i>Sailing</i>			<i>Sailing</i>
			<i>Passenger Vessels.</i>			<i>Passenger Vessels.</i>
<b>Merchant Service <i>b f g</i>—</b>			225 Tons or under.	Over 10,000 tons.	60 tons or under.	Over 10,000 tons
Masters per month			66/8/6	147/4/0	60/0/6	115/6/0
Officers—						
Chief "			58/9/6	71/14/0	55/9/6	67/4/0
Second "			55/7/6	66/12/0	52/17/6	63/2/0
Third "			..	61/0/0	..	58/0/0
4th, 5th and 6th "			..	52/13/6	..	52/13/6

(a) Rates of wage quoted are for other than special cargo. (b) Rates of wage quoted are in addition to victualling and accommodation. (c) Not more than 8 hours per day. (d) Not more than 8 hours per day within a spread of 15 consecutive hours when at sea, between 7 a.m. and 3 p.m. in terminal ports and between 6 a.m. and 3 p.m. in intermediate ports. (e) Minimum rates under the Commonwealth Award are classified according to nominal horse-power of vessels. (f) Ordinary length 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 here given.

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

Industry and Occupation.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Queensland.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
<b>Farming—(a)</b>						
Harvesters .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Milkers .. ..	..	14229 0	..	..	..	..
<b>Chaffcutting—</b>						
Feeders (Travelling plant)	247 0	229 6	..	214 0	212/8 to 240/2	*275 0
Feeders (Stationary mill)	247 0	223 6	..	214 0	212/8 to 240/2	*275 0

(a) Rates for farming in previous years were from awards made under National Security Regulations which are no longer effective.

## SECTION VI.—continued.

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

Industry and Occupation.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Queensland.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.
<b>Gardening—</b>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
Gardeners ..	236 6	227 0	199 0	217 0	219 8	223 0
Gardeners' Labourers ..	230 0	217 0	191 6	212 0	213 8	217 0
Nurserymen ..	236 6	224/6 & 235/	199 0	218 6	223 3	223 0
Nurserymen's Labourers ..	230 0	208 0	191 6	212 0	213 8	217 0
<b>Pastoral Workers(a)—</b>						
Cooks ..	583 1	583 1	637/2 & 681/9	583 1	570 1	583 1
<b>Shearers—</b>						
Hand .. per 100	171 6	171 6	154 6	171 6	150 3	171 0
Machine ..	150 6	150 6	154 6	150 6	148 3	150 0
Shed Hands ..	373 0	373 0	447 9	373 0	391 8	373 0
Wool Pressers ..	403 0	403 0	517 9	403 0	431 0	403 0
<b>Rural Workers—</b>						
Fruit Harvesters ..	208/ to 210/	207/ to 210/	..	205/ to 210/	..	207/ & 208/

(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, &c. Should the time engaged picking up, &c., exceed 30 minutes per day, all time thereafter must be paid as overtime. The hours of cooks are not regulated. Rates for shearers, shed hands and woolpressers are "not found" rates.

## 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.
<b>Cooks (Hotels)—</b>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
Chefs ..	243/ to 277/	235/ to 269/	223/ & 229/	230/ to 264/6	240/8 & 250/8	235/ to 269/
Cooks—Second ..	237/ to 259/6	229/ to 251/6	214 0	229/ to 245/	225/2 & 230/8	229/ to 251/6
Cooks—Third ..	237 0	220 0	214 0	225 0	220 8	220 0
Kitchenmen ..	227 0	210 0	201 6	200 0	210 3	210 0
<b>Hairdressing—</b>						
Hairdressers ..	247 0	238 0	207/6 & 215/	248 0	245 3	246 0
<b>Hotels—</b>						
Barmen ..	237 0	230 0	211 0	231 0	235 3	220 0
Billiard Markers ..	227 0	219 0	190 0	200 0	210 8	210 0
Handymen ..	227 0	210 0	190 0	200 0	210 8	210 0
Lift Attendants ..	227 0	225 0	190 0	215 6	210 8	210 0
Porters—Day Work ..	227 0	210 0	190 0	202 0	215 3	210 0
Porters—Night Work ..	227 0	210 0	200 0	202 0	220 8	210 0
Waiters—Head ..	237 0	229 0	204 0	214/6 & 215/6	..	229 0
Waiters—Other ..	227 0	210 0	190 0	208 0	215 3	210 0
<b>Restaurants—</b>						
Partrymen ..	222 6	216 0	195 6	198 6	210 3	212 6
Waiters ..	222/6 & 225/	216 0	195 6	205 0	215 3	209/ & 212/6

## GROUP XIV.—MISCELLANEOUS AND GENERAL LABOUR.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
<b>Factory Engine Driving—</b>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
Engine Drivers (Stationary)—					(a)	
1st Class ..	244/ & 250/6	236/ & 242/6	225 0	232/ & 238/6	236 6	236/ & 242/6
2nd Class ..	239/ & 244/	231/ & 236/	214 0	227/ & 232/	236 6	231/ & 236/
3rd Class ..	239/ & 244/	231/ & 236/	203 6	227/ & 232/	231 6	231/ & 236/
<b>Firemen—</b>						
1st Class ..	230 0	231 0	190 0	227 0	231 6	231 0
2nd Class ..	231 0	226 0	..	222 0	226 6	226 0
Greasers ..	230/ & 239/	222/ & 231/	190 0	218/ & 227/	221 8	222/ & 231/
Tanners ..	226 0	218 0	195 0	214 0	218 6	215 0

(a) Not comparable with previous years. Rates shown are those for the sawmilling industry

SECTION VI.—*continued.*GROUP XIV.—MISCELLANEOUS AND GENERAL LABOUR—*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>
<b>Municipal—</b>						
Labourers ..	230 0	218 0	196 0	200 0	208 2	214 0
Street Sweepers ..	230 0	224 0	196 0	207/ & 209/	208/2 to 214/8	217 0
<b>Shop and other Assistants—</b>						
Boot Salesmen ..	249 0	236 0	217 0	222 0	238 2	236 6
Chemists' Assistants ..	278 0	284 6	262 6	228 0	230/ & 240/11	250/ & 255/
Clerks .. ..	235/6 to 247/	237 6	222 6	222 0	242 8	208/ to 248/
Drapery Salesmen ..	249 0	236 0	217 0	222 0	238 2	236 6
Furniture Salesmen ..	249 0	239 0	217 0	222 0	238 2	211/ to 248/
Grocery Salesmen ..	249 0	232 0	217 0	217 0	238 2	214/6 to 237/6
Hardware Salesmen ..	249 0	236 0	217 0	222 0	238 2	203/ to 243/
Railway Bookstall Assistants ..	249 0	226 6	217 0	222 0	238 2	203/ to 243/
Tobaccoists' Assts. ..	249 0	236 0	217 0	216 0	238 2	239 0
<b>Storemen—Packing, Cleaning, &amp;c.—</b>						
Night Watchmen ..	233 6	219 0	193 0	207 6	233 2	..
Office Cleaners ..	238 0	216 0	190/ & 195/	195 0	221 8	217 0
Packers—General ..	239/6 & 242/6	240 0	207 0	226 0	233 2	225 0
Storemen—General ..	238/ & 240/6	240 0	207 0	226 0	233 2	225 0
<b>Wholesale Grocery—</b>						
Packers .. ..	237 0	232/ & 234/6	207 0	221 0	233 2	225 0
Storemen .. ..	234 0	232/ & 234/6	207 0	221 0	233 2	225 0
<b>Wholesale Hardware—</b>						
Packers .. ..	237/ & 240/	229 0	207 0	221 0	233 2	225 0
Storemen .. ..	234/ & 237/	229 0	207 0	221 0	233 2	225 0



## SECTION VII.—continued.

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

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
<b>Bedding and Furniture—</b>						
Bedding Machinists ..	s. d. 158 6	s. d. 169 0	s. d. 139 2	s. d. 166 0	s. d. 146 3	s. d. 169 0
Picture Frame Workers	163 6	156 6	168/7 & 202/7	153 6	146 3	156 6
<b>Bookbinding</b>						
Folders and Sewers ..	179 0	173 0	162 6	170 0	171 6	173 0
<b>Brushmaking—</b>						
Adult Females ..	166 6	153/6 & 155/6	125 0	177 9	133 8	..
<b>Candle and Soap Making—</b>						
Adult Females ..	155 0	161 6	148 10	153 9	133 8	157 3
<b>Cardboard Box Making—</b>						
Box Makers ..	177/ & 183/6	171/ & 177/6	160/6 & 167/	168/ & 174/6	169/6 & 176/	171/ & 177/6
Other Adults ..	167/6 to 179/6	161/6 to 173/6	151/ to 163/	158/6 to 170/6	160/ to 172/	161/6 to 173/6
<b>Jewellery—</b>						
Chainmakers ..	257 0	165 0	146 6	..	135 3	..
Gilders ..	168 6	165 0	136 6	187 0	135 3	..
Polishers ..	168 6	165 0	136 6	187 0	135 3	..
Scratch Brushes ..	268 6	165 0	136 6	187 0	135 3	..
<b>Leather Goods—</b>						
Adult Females ..	171 0	165 0	154 6	162 0	141 3	165 0
<b>Paper Making—</b>						
Adult Females ..	157 0	151 0	..	..	..	151 0
<b>Paper Bag Making—</b>						
Adult Females ..	167/6 to 177/	161/6 to 171/	151/ to 160/6	158/6 to 168/	160/ to 169/6	161/6 to 171/
<b>Potteries—</b>						
Adult Females ..	157 0	149 0	130 0	..	133 8	..
<b>Printing—</b>						
Jobbing Office Assis- tants ..	179 0	173 0	162 6	170 0	171 6	173 0
Lithographic Feeders	179 0	173 0	162 6	170 0	171 6	173 0
<b>Rubber Working—</b>						
Adult Females ..	160 0	154 0	141 6	167 6	..	..
<b>Tent and Tarpaulin Making—</b>						
Machinists ..	171 0	165 0	154 6	162 0	133 8	165 0

## 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.
<b>Hotels—</b>						
Barmaids ..	s. d. 185 0	s. d. 229 0	s. d. 159 0	s. d. ..	s. d. 235 8	s. d. 179 0
Housemaids ..	169 0	163 0	139 6	162 6	153 8	163 0
Laundresses ..	173 0	167 0	145 6	169 0	153 8	167 0
Waitresses—Head ..	175 0	169 0	144 6	167 6	..	169 0
Other ..	169 0	163 0	139 6	162 6	153 8	163 0
<b>Laundries—</b>						
General Hands ..	155 0	149 0	135 6	170 0	135 3	145 6
Machinists—Shirt and Collar ..	156 6	156 0	135 6	173/ & 177/	135 3	145 6
Sorters ..	156 6	149 0	135 6	173/ & 177/	135 3	145 6
Starchers ..	155 0	156 0	135 6	173/ & 177/	135 3	145 6
Washers ..	155 0	156/ & 208/	135 6	173/ & 207/6	135 3	156/6 & 166/6
<b>Office Cleaning—</b>						
Adult Females ..	162/ to 170/	198 0	143/ & 146/	146/ & 152/	139 8	..
<b>Restaurants—</b>						
Pantry Maids ..	155 0	158 0	133 6	160 6	151 2	162 0
Waitresses ..	155 0	158 0	133 6	162 0	153 8	159 0

SECTION VII.—*continued.*

## 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>Clerks, &amp;c.—</b>						
Cashiers ..	177 0	172 6	166 0	173 0	165 9	149 0
Clerical Assistants ..	175 0	172 6	166 0	173 0	165 9	149 0
<b>Saleswomen—</b>						
Boot ..	177/ & 249/	164 6	152 0	168 0	160 2	153/ & 181/10
Drapery ..	177/ & 249/	164/6 & 236/	152/ & 217/	168/ & 220/	160 2	153/ & 181/10
Fruit and Confectionery Newsagent and Book- stall ..	164/ & 177/	160 6	152 0	168 0	160 2	149 0
Tobacconists ..	177 0	149/6 & 153/6	152 0	168 0	160 2	151 0
	177 0	170 6	152 0	167 0	160 2	149 0

## SECTION VIII.

## Weekly Rates of Wage and Hours of Labour : Australia, Great Britain and New Zealand.

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

Industry and Occupation.	AUSTRALIA (SYDNEY).				GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND (LONDON).				NEW ZEALAND (AUCKLAND).			
	31st December, 1938.		31st December, 1951.		31st December, 1938.		31st December, 1951.		31st December, 1938.		31st December, 1951.	
	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.
	s. d.		s. d.	s. d.		s. d.		s. d.		s. d.		
<b>Furniture—</b>												
Cabinet Maker .. ..	107 0	44	257 0	40	82 3	47	150 4	44	110 0	40	188 5	40
Upholsterer .. ..	107 0	44	257 0	40	82 3	47	150 4	44	110 0	40	188 5	40
French Polisher .. ..	107 0	44	257 0	40	82 3	47	150 4	41	110 0	40	188 5	40
<b>Sawmilling—</b>												
Machinist, Planing .. ..	91 0 and 100 0	44	238 6 and 253 6	40	..	..	..	..	103 4	40	197 5	40
Machinist, Shaping .. ..	105 0	44	253 6	40	..	..	..	..	103 4	40	197 5	40
Sawyer, Band or Jig .. ..	95 0 to 108 0	44	238 0 to 259 0	40	..	..	..	..	96 8	40	185 0	40
Sawyer, Circular .. ..	95 0 to 102 0	44	239 0 and 251 6	40	..	..	..	..	112 6	40	205 1	40
<b>Engineering, and Metal Working—</b>												
Fitter and Turner .. ..	108 0 and 112 0	44	259 0	40	70 11	47	133 7½	44	110 0	40	192 3	40
Pattermaker .. ..	120 0	44	272 0	40	71 3	47	(a)	(a)	110 0	40	192 3	40
Moulder (Iron) .. ..	90 0 to 111 0	44	235 0 to 259 0	40	70 11	44	138 3½	44	110 0	40	188 8	40
Tinsmith .. ..	101 6	44	244 0 and 259 0	40	..	..	..	..	110 0	40	184 0	40
<b>Milling (Flour)—</b>												
Miller (shift) .. ..	97 0 to 107 6	44	259 0 to 284 0	40	71 0 and 73 0	42	144 0	42	99 4 (b)	40	185 11 (b)	40
Packerman .. ..	85 0	44	244 0	40	..	..	..	..	95 4	40	181 2	40

(a) Not yet available.

(b) Kilman.



## SECTION VIII.—continued.

## WEEKLY RATES OF WAGE AND HOURS OF LABOUR: AUSTRALIA, GREAT BRITAIN AND NEW ZEALAND—continued.

Industry and Occupation.	AUSTRALIA (SYDNEY)				GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND (LONDON).				NEW ZEALAND (AUCKLAND).			
	31st December, 1938		31st December, 1951.		31st December, 1938.		31st December, 1951.		31st December, 1938.		31st December, 1951.	
	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.
	s. d.		s. d.		s. d.		s. d.		s. d.		s. d.	
Bootmaker .. .. .	104 0	44	244 0	40	51 6 to 58 0	45	116 0	45	91 8	40	185 11	40
Tailoring (Ready-made)—												
Cutter .. .. .	101 0	44	258 0	40	..	..	..	..	102 6	40	185 11	40
Presser (Coat) .. .. .	98 0	44	247 0	40	..	..	..	..	92 6	40	180 2	40
Trimmer .. .. .	98 0	44	247 0	40	..	..	..	..	92 6	40	185 11	40
Bookbinding—												
Bookbinder .. .. .	108 0	44	265 0	40	80 0	45	165 0	43½	107 6	40	193 7	40
Paper Ruler .. .. .	108 0	44	265 0	40	80 0	45	165 0	43½	107 6	40	193 7	40
Printing (Daily Newspaper)—												
Compositor (Day Work) .. .. .	131 0	44	333 0 to 340 6	40	89 0	45	(a)	(a)	107 6	40	193 7	40
Reader (Day Work) .. .. .	139 6	44	300 6 to 308 0	40	..	..	..	..	112 6	40	207 0	40
Printing (Jobbing Offices)—												
Compositor .. .. .	108 0 and 117 0	44	265 0 to 275 6	40	89 0	45	165 0	43½	107 6	40	193 7 and 210 10	40
Linotype Operator (Day Work)..	117 0	44	275 6	40	..	..	..	..	115 0	40	202 3	40
Building—												
Bricklayer .. .. .	121 0	44	291 8	40	77 0	44	141 2 and 143 0	44	115 0	40	191 5	40
Carpenter .. .. .	121 0	44	298 4	40	77 0	44	141 2 and 143 0	44	112 6.	40	192 7	40

(a) Not yet available.

**SECTION VIII.—continued.**  
**WEEKLY RATES OF WAGE AND HOURS OF LABOUR: AUSTRALIA, GREAT BRITAIN, AND NEW ZEALAND—continued.**

Industry and Occupation:	AUSTRALIA (SYDNEY).				GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND (LONDON).				NEW ZEALAND (AUCKLAND).			
	31st December, 1938.		31st December, 1951.		31st December, 1938.		31st December, 1951.		31st December, 1938.		31st December, 1951.	
	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	232 6*	40	57 9	44	121 0 and 122 10	44	93 4	40	180 2	40
Concrete Worker ..	87 0	44	232 6*	40	(a)	(a)	121 0 and 122 10	44	93 4	40	180 2	40
Earth Excavator ..	87 0	44	232 6*	40	(a)	(a)	121 0 and 122 10	44	93 4	40	180 2	40
Painter .. .. .	114 4	44	281 8	40	73 4	44	143 2 and 143 0	44	110 0	40	189 3	40
Paperhanger .. .. .	114 4	44	281 8	40	77 0	44	141 2 and 143 0	44	110 0	40	189 3	40
Plasterer .. .. .	121 0	44	290 0	40	77 0	44	143 0 and 141 2	44	115 0	40	194 2	40
Plumber .. .. .	125 0	44	290 6	40	77 0	44	143 0 and 141 2	44	110 0	40	196 8	40
<i>Tramways—</i>												
Conductor—												
1st year .. .. .	87 0	44	225 0	40	} 73 0 to 82 0	} 48	} 133 6	} 44	} 95 10 and 100 0	} 40	} 170 7 and 174 5	} 40
2nd year .. .. .	90 0	44	231 0	40								
3rd year .. .. .	93 0	44	234 0	40								
Motormen—												
1st year .. .. .	99 0	44	237 0	40	} 73 0 to 82 0	} 48	} 133 6	} 44	} 100 0 and 103 4	} 40	} 182 1 and 182 1	} 40
2nd year .. .. .	99 0	44	237 0	40								
3rd year .. .. .	99 0	44	237 0	40								
Carrying (Merchandise)—												
Carter (1 horse) ..	92 0	44	238 0	40	60 0 and 61 0	48	115 0	44	93 0	40	164 4	40
Municipal—Labourer ..	94 6	44	230 0	40	58 8 to 64 6	47	122 10	44	90 0	40	176 4	40

\* Rate excludes allowances for statutory holidays, following the job and sick pay.

(a) Not available.

## SECTION IX.

## Basic Wage Rates—1923 to 1952.

*(Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration).*

The following table shows the basic weekly wage rates prescribed for adult males under periodical decisions of the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration including automatic variations made in accordance with quarterly changes in the retail price index for the city or combination of cities shown at the head of the table. The amount *legally* payable in any specific instance must be determined by reference to the appropriate award.

- (1) The rates of wages 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.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
1923—							
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	"
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

## SECTION IX.—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.
1931—							
February ..	76 6	70 2	60 9	66 2	66 2	70 2	71 1
May ..	74 3	68 5	60 9	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	*64 0	66 0	*67 0	65 0
June ..	68 0	"	62 0	*65 0	"	*" "	66 0
September ..	"	"	"	*" "	68 0	*67 0	"
December ..	"	"	"	" "	"	" "	"
1935—							
March ..	"	66 0	"	*" "	"	*69 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
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

\* 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.

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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>
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
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

## SECTION X.

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

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

Period.	Retail Price Index-numbers.						Nominal Wages, Adult Males.	Real Wages. (c)	Proportion of Trade Unionists Unemployed.
	Food and Groceries.	Housing (4 and 5-roomed Houses). (b)	Food, Groceries and Housing (4 and 5-roomed Houses).	Clothing.	Miscellaneous.	All Items of Household Expenditure.			
Year—									%
1911 ..	1,000	1,000	1,000	(d)1,000	(d)1,000	(d)1,000	1,000	1,000	4.7
1914 ..	1,144	1,082	1,121	1,140	1,140	1,140	1,081	948	8.3
1921 ..	1,902	1,410	1,717	1,883	1,537	1,680	1,826	1,087	11.2
1929 ..	1,866	1,754	1,824	1,506	1,533	1,713	1,972	1,151	11.1
1932 ..	1,423	1,338	1,390	1,213	1,458	1,377	1,639	1,190	29.0
1933 ..	1,343	1,314	1,332	1,190	1,447	1,333	1,584	1,187	25.4
1939 ..	1,637	1,577	1,626	1,271	1,465	1,526	1,846	1,210	9.7
1940 ..	1,679	1,590	1,644	1,445	1,519	1,588	1,989	1,290	8.0
1941 ..	1,693	1,595	1,634	1,600	1,613	1,673	1,997	1,194	3.7
1942 ..	1,843	1,590	1,742	1,977	1,693	1,809	2,164	1,796	1.6
1943 ..	1,855	1,593	1,749	2,177	1,766	1,876	2,309	1,231	1.1
1944 ..	1,834	1,593	1,737	2,168	1,773	1,867	2,326	1,246	1.2
1945 ..	1,849	1,593	1,740	2,155	1,767	1,868	2,339	1,252	1.3
1946 ..	1,852	1,596	1,748	2,276	1,776	1,900	2,400	1,263	1.4
1947 ..	1,967	1,597	1,816	2,367	1,823	1,971	2,598	1,318	1.2
1948 ..	2,243	1,601	1,982	2,637	1,913	2,148	2,914	1,337	0.9
1949 ..	2,492	1,605	2,128	3,019	2,037	2,349	3,210	1,367	(e)2.0
1950 ..	2,600	1,613	2,313	3,433	2,184	2,599	3,596	1,389	0.8
1951 ..	3,649	1,649	2,827	4,156	2,555	3,124	4,195	1,439	0.7
1952 ..	4,316	1,728	3,370	4,637	2,980	3,643	5,241	1,438	0.9
Quarter—									
1939.									
September ..	1,643	1,582	1,620	1,264	1,463	1,520	1,854	1,220	10.3
1946.									
March ..	1,859	1,593	1,748	2,201	1,772	1,881	2,354	1,251	1.1
June ..	1,863	1,593	1,754	2,230	1,776	1,900	2,360	1,242	1.3
September ..	1,839	1,595	1,741	2,299	1,776	1,902	2,378	1,250	1.4
December ..	1,854	1,596	1,750	2,343	1,781	1,918	2,397	1,307	1.1
1947.									
March ..	1,913	1,596	1,785	2,305	1,798	1,933	2,527	1,307	1.1
June ..	1,943	1,597	1,803	2,319	1,802	1,948	2,545	1,306	1.2
September ..	1,974	1,597	1,820	2,367	1,846	1,978	2,590	1,330	1.1
December ..	2,035	1,598	1,857	2,478	1,853	2,026	2,690	1,328	0.9
1948.									
March ..	2,128	1,599	1,912	2,511	1,874	2,071	2,781	1,343	0.9
June ..	2,197	1,600	1,953	2,600	1,900	2,121	2,854	1,346	0.9
September ..	2,278	1,601	2,001	2,688	1,935	2,175	2,970	1,366	0.9
December ..	2,378	1,602	2,060	2,748	1,944	2,225	3,050	1,371	0.8
1949.									
March ..	2,433	1,603	2,093	2,795	1,985	2,263	3,099	1,369	0.8
June ..	2,482	1,604	2,122	2,968	2,017	2,328	3,182	1,367	0.8
September ..	2,497	1,606	2,131	3,089	2,047	2,370	3,240	1,371	(e) 5.5
December ..	2,555	1,608	2,167	3,223	2,098	2,433	3,310	1,360	0.8
1950.									
March ..	2,633	1,609	2,213	3,250	2,134	2,474	3,372	1,363	0.8
June ..	2,718	1,611	2,264	3,418	2,151	2,546	3,458	1,358	0.8
September ..	2,828	1,614	2,330	3,501	2,180	2,609	3,545	1,359	0.8
December ..	3,020	1,618	2,444	3,643	2,271	2,726	4,009	1,471	0.7
1951.									
March ..	3,201	1,641	2,560	3,760	2,381	2,843	4,142	1,457	0.7
June ..	3,443	1,646	2,705	4,151	2,498	3,042	4,387	1,442	0.8
September ..	3,619	1,651	2,928	4,283	2,611	3,224	4,601	1,447	0.6
December ..	4,133	1,656	3,116	4,429	2,731	3,388	4,850	1,432	0.7
1952.									
March ..	4,298	1,672	3,219	4,523	2,783	3,481	5,036	1,447	1.1
June ..	4,589	1,702	3,402	4,685	2,967	3,661	5,156	1,408	2.2
September ..	4,633	1,750	3,448	4,709	3,072	3,714	5,345	1,439	1.0
December ..	4,544	1,789	3,411	4,712	3,098	3,722	5,428	1,458	4.1

(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 housing, and food and groceries, since the cost in 1911 in each group or combination of groups is made equal to 1,000. (b) See footnote (b) on page 10.

(c) Index of nominal weekly wage rates for adult males divided by "C" Series Retail Price Index-number. (d) Taken back from true base (November, 1914) by means of the "A" Series Index (Food and Rent of All Homes). (e) Includes all members of reporting unions indirectly affected by the industrial dispute in the coal-mining industry; those directly affected are, however, excluded.

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