

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 trade 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 indebted to the secretaries of trade unions for their co-operation in supplying information.

In this chapter figures for the years 1951 to 1954 are compared with 1939. Particulars for earlier years will be found in preceding issues of the Labour Report.

2. **Trade Unions—Number and Membership, States.**—The following table gives particulars of the number of separate unions and the number of members at the end of the years 1939 and 1951 to 1954:—

Trade Unions: Number and Membership.

Year	N S W	Vic	Q'land	S.A	W A.	Tas.	N.T	A C.T.	Aust
NUMBER OF SEPARATE UNIONS.									
1939	290	149	114	117	141	79	4	15	(a) 380
1951	225	156	158	137	152	101	17	29	(a) 359
1952	223	159	129	139	151	98	15	31	(a) 360
1953	224	159	129	138	152	98	18	28	(a) 365
1954	228	158	129	138	154	98	18	29	(a) 371
NUMBER OF MEMBERS.									
1939	358,391	216,803	180,653	67,282	67,833	22,062	761	1,688	915,470
1951	678,338	433,407	277,037	140,067	105,507	47,413	2,764	5,738	1,690,371
1952	610,103	416,349	274,908	137,495	105,462	46,948	2,340	4,877	1,637,542
1953	665,737	421,428	285,718	140,154	107,642	48,293	2,335	5,251	1,679,758
1954	732,737	433,891	305,304	147,555	109,789	50,290	2,168	5,970	1,787,504
PERCENTAGE INCREASE IN MEMBERSHIP.(b)									
1939	3.3	0.8	6.5	8.7	0.1	4.8	5.6	9.6	3.4
1951	5.6	6.7	5.5	1.9	1.9	5.3	13.4	0.2	5.3
1952	-4.3	-3.0	-0.8	-1.8	-0.0	-1.0	-15.3	-15.0	-3.1
1953	2.6	1.9	3.9	1.9	2.1	2.9	8.3	7.7	2.6
1954	10.1	2.2	6.9	5.3	1.8	4.1	-14.5	13.7	6.1

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

NOTE—Minus sign (—) denotes decrease.

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

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

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

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—Number and Membership, Industrial Groups—The following table gives the number and membership of trade unions in Australia in industrial groups at the end of the years 1951 to 1954 compared with 1939.

Trade Unions: Industrial Groups, Australia.

Industrial Group	1939	1951	1952	1953	1954
NUMBER OF SEPARATE UNIONS (a)					
Manufacturing—					
I. Wood, Furniture, etc.	4	6	6	6	6
II. Engineering, Metal Works, etc.	22	15	15	15	15
III. Food, Drink, Tobacco, etc.	35	35	35	36	39
IV. Clothing, Textiles, etc.	12	6	6	6	6
V. Books, Printing, etc.	8	6	6	6	6
VI. Other Manufacturing	37	37	37	37	36
VII. Building	28	26	26	28	28
VIII. Mining, Quarrying, etc.	12	12	12	12	13
IX. Railway and Tramway Services	29	25	25	25	26
X. Other Transport	6	9	9	9	9
XI. Shipping, Wharf Labour, etc.	21	13	13	13	13
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, etc.	5	4	3	3	3
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, etc.	18	11	11	14	12
XIV. Miscellaneous—					
(i) Banking, Insurance and Clerical	20	17	17	17	18
(ii) Public Service	50	58	60	63	61
(iii) Retail and Wholesale	8	12	12	13	13
(iv) Municipal, Sewerage and Labouring	11	12	12	10	10
(v) Other Miscellaneous	53	52	52	52	57
Total	730	359	360	365	371

(a) Without interstate duplication. See above.

Trade Unions : Industrial Groups, Australia—continued.

Industrial Group	1939	1951	1952	1953	1954
NUMBER OF MEMBERS.					
Manufacturing—					
I. Wood, Furniture, etc.	27,990	32,180	42,439	43,051	43,572
II. Engineering, Metal Works, etc.	99,711	242,800	245,831	246,217	258,838
III. Food, Drink, Tobacco, etc.	80,328	104,605	93,847	95,806	104,335
IV. Clothing, Textiles, etc.	68,347	131,873	100,056	111,788	117,292
V. Books, Printing, etc.	24,303	35,211	34,494	35,467	38,912
VI. Other Manufacturing	52,074	50,581	75,619	80,027	84,456
VII Building	45,651	134,198	115,837	123,811	143,071
VIII Mining, Quarrying, etc.	48,812	48,646	40,991	50,575	49,833
IX. Railway and Tramway Services	105,938	130,405	144,710	143,642	143,680
X. Other Transport	19,428	58,918	50,111	59,494	62,025
XI. Shipping, Wharf Labour, etc.	28,760	45,972	42,793	39,941	40,372
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, etc.	40,276	59,911	59,055	62,070	63,831
XIII Domestic, Hotels, etc.	13,177	34,485	37,749	33,025	36,611
XIV Miscellaneous—					
(i) Banking, Insurance and Clerical	30,013	104,162	104,486	108,605	112,946
(ii) Public Service	89,848	133,541	137,255	195,777	202,797
(iii) Retail and Wholesale	36,790	60,847	58,917	62,723	72,664
(iv) Municipal, Sewerage and Labouring	46,552	75,926	72,832	75,097	81,115
(v) Other Miscellaneous	50,392	107,010	111,584	112,702	131,154
Total	915,470	1,690,271	1,937,542	1,679,758	1,787,504

4. Trade Unions—Numbers of Members and Proportion of Wage and Salary Earners.—(i) *General*.—The following tables show the estimated percentages of wage and salary earners in employment who are members of trade unions. The data on which the numbers of wage and salary earners are based are described in Chapter IV. (page 99). As current estimates of wage and salary earners in employment do not include employees engaged in rural industry or females in private domestic service the percentages have been calculated on figures obtained by adding to the end of year estimates the numbers of employees in rural industry and female private domestic service recorded at the Census of June, 1947. For this reason, and also because the membership of trade unions includes some persons not in employment, the percentages shown in the tables must be regarded as approximations.

(ii) *States*.—The table below shows for each State the numbers of males, females and persons who were members of trade unions in December, 1954 and the estimated percentages as described above. In interpreting these, it should be noted that certain employees such as those in professional occupations may not be eligible for membership of a specified union, while others may not reside in a locality covered by a union devoted to their particular trade or occupation. The percentages are not directly comparable with those published in issues of the Labour Report prior to No. 40.

Trade Unions : Number of Members and Proportion of Total Wage and Salary Earners(a), States, December, 1954.

State.	Number of Members.			Proportion of Total Wage and Salary Earners. (Per cent.)		
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.
New South Wales(b)	596,661	142,046	738,707	72	46	65
Victoria	350,128	83,763	433,891	61	36	53
Queensland	237,554	67,750	305,304	79	70	77
South Australia	126,805	20,750	147,555	67	33	58
Western Australia	92,980	16,609	109,589	63	36	56
Tasmania	42,129	8,161	50,290	60	36	54
Australia(c)	1,448,223	339,281	1,787,504	69	44	62

(a) Includes allowance for unemployed. (b) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes Northern Territory.

(iii) *Australia*.—Similar particulars for Australia as at the end of each of the years 1939 and 1951 to 1954 are given in the following table.

Trade Unions: Number of Members and Proportion of Total Wage and Salary Earners^(a), Australia.

Year	Number of Members			Proportion of Total Wage and Salary Earners. (Per cent.)		
	Males.	Females	Persons	Males	Females.	Persons.
1939	778,336	137,134	915,470	52	24	44
1951	1,368,694	321,577	1,690,271	66	42	60
1952	1,354,248	283,294	1,637,542	67	40	50
1953	1,381,103	298,645	1,679,758	67	40	60
1954	1,448,223	339,281	1,787,504	69	44	62

(a) Includes allowance for unemployed

5. Trade Unions—Classification according to Number of Members.—The following table shows the number and membership of all trade unions in Australia at the end of each of the years 1939 and 1951 to 1954, classified according to size. In this table interstate unions are counted once only.

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

Classification.	10,000 and over.	5,000 and under 10,000.	2,000 and under 5,000.	1,000 and under 2,000.	500 and under 1,000.	300 and under 500.	200 and under 300.	100 and under 200.	50 and under 100.	Under 50.	Total
NUMBER OF UNIONS.											
1939	27	14	41	13	52	28	30	52	11	57	380
1951	40	22	44	45	49	31	18	40	26	14	359
1952	39	23	13	46	46	32	22	37	32	49	360
1953	39	25	34	57	44	31	17	41	32	38	365
1954	42	24	33	55	43	35	22	47	27	38	371
MEMBERSHIP.											
1939	508,621	87,077	131,201	59,283	36,776	10,578	7,483	7,225	2,655	1,565	915,470
1951	1,263,364	156,866	143,937	64,632	35,117	12,274	4,648	5,501	2,017	1,412	1,690,271
1952	1,205,007	166,965	138,839	66,905	33,652	13,176	5,615	4,863	2,116	1,204	1,637,542
1953	1,237,265	178,149	123,436	83,885	30,253	13,190	4,314	5,658	2,413	1,195	1,679,758
1954	1,358,148	171,194	121,106	78,481	30,057	13,736	5,253	6,319	1,830	1,080	1,787,504
PROPORTION OF TOTAL MEMBERSHIP. (PER CENT.)											
1939	62.1	9.5	14.7	6.5	4.0	1.1	0.8	0.8	0.3	0.2	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
1952	73.6	10.2	8.5	4.0	2.1	0.8	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.1	100.0
1953	73.7	10.6	7.3	5.0	1.8	0.8	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.1	100.0
1954	76.0	9.6	6.8	4.4	1.7	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 increased between 1912 and 1954 by 313 per cent., the number of unions having less than 2,000 members considerably decreased, namely, from 360 to 267. In 1954, 7.7 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 the number and membership of interstate or federated trade unions having branches in two or more States. The figures include interstate unions registered under the Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Act, as well as federated unions which are not so registered:—

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

Particulars.	Unions Operating in—					Total.	
	2 States.	3 States.	4 States.	5 States.	6 States.		
Number of Unions	1939 ..	19	11	20	21	12	116
	1951 ..	12	15	15	38	60	110
	1952 ..	14	14	17	38	59	142
	1953 ..	12	12	20	35	60	130
	1954 ..	12	11	26	32	58	139
Number of Members	1939 ..	30,888	33,319	120,664	209,360	361,881	756,124
	1951 ..	36,137	47,636	93,109	442,507	882,229	1,501,918
	1952 ..	34,878	46,061	121,121	420,240	827,331	1,449,631
	1953 ..	32,050	46,691	134,998	381,910	885,795	1,481,144
	1954 ..	32,880	54,725	179,527	496,509	809,283	1,577,933

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

The number of organizations operating in two or more States increased from 72 in 1912 to 139 in 1954, and the ratio of the membership of such organizations to the total membership of all organizations rose from 65 per cent. to 88 per cent. during the same period.

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. In Western Australia a unified system of organization extends over the industrial centres throughout the State, and there is a provincial branch of the Australian Labour Party, having a central council and executive, and metropolitan and branch district councils with which the local bodies are affiliated. The central council, on which all district councils are represented, meets periodically. In the other States, however, the organization is not so close, and though provision usually exists in the rules of the central council in the capital city of each State for the organization of district councils, or for the representation on the central council of the local councils in the smaller industrial centres of the State, the councils in each State are, as a matter of fact, independent bodies. The following table 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 1951 to 1954.

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

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N. T.	A.C.T.	Au- stralia.
No. of Councils	1939 ..	3	5	6	2	8	2	1	27
	1951 ..	11	9	12	6	10	5	1	55
	1952 ..	11	9	12	6	10	5	1	55
	1953 ..	10	9	12	6	10	5	1	54
	1954 ..	11	9	13	6	10	1	1	55
No. of Unions and Branch Unions Affiliated	1939 ..	103	170	79	50	210	50	0	689
	1951 ..	272	276	141	128	427	96	3	1,365
	1952 ..	272	282	135	130	395	101	3	1,311
	1953 ..	255	275	128	127	370	104	4	1,287
	1954 ..	283	270	152	124	399	92	4	1,350

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

At the end of 1954 the number of employers' organizations registered under the provisions of the Act was 56. The number of unions registered at the end of 1954 was 150 with membership of 1,447,646, representing 81 per cent. of the total membership of all trade unions in Australia.

§ 2. International Labour Organization.

1. **General.**—The International Labour Organization (I.L.O.) was established on 11th April, 1919, as an autonomous institution associated with the League of Nations. Its original constitution was adopted as Part XIII. of the Treaty of Versailles and formed part of other treaties of peace. During the years between its establishment and the outbreak of the 1939-45 War, the I.L.O., with headquarters in Geneva, played a leading role in promoting the improvement of labour conditions throughout the world. In 1940, in order to ensure that the I.L.O. should be able to continue to function freely, a working centre was established at Montreal. In 1946 the Organization became the first of the specialized agencies of the United Nations. Under the terms of agreement, the United Nations recognizes the I.L.O. as a specialized agency having responsibility in the field defined by its constitution, which embraces labour conditions, industrial relations, employment organization, social security and other aspects of social policy. The Organization has three basic parts. These are the International Labour Conference, its highest authority, which as a rule meets annually; the Governing Body, its executive council, which usually meets four times each year; and the International Labour Office, which provides the Secretariat of the Organization. The Conference is composed of delegations from the Member States of the Organization. In June, 1955 there were 70 Member States, each of which is entitled to be represented by four delegates—two Government, one representing employers and one representing workers, together with their advisers. In accordance with amendments adopted at the 36th Session of the International Labour Conference, the Governing Body, as from the elections held in Geneva in 1954, has consisted of the representatives of twenty governments, and ten employers' and ten workers' representatives. Particulars are given in previous issues of the Labour Report of the proceedings of International Labour Conferences up to the 37th Session which was held in Geneva in June, 1954.

2. **The International Labour Conference.**—The 38th Session of the International Labour Conference commenced in Geneva on 1st June, 1955. The Australian delegation consisted of:—Government delegates: Mr. R. L. Harry, Mr. A. A. L. Brentwood; Employers' delegate: Mr. L. C. Burne; Workers delegate: Mr. R. R. Broadby.

The Conference considered, among other things, vocational rehabilitation of the disabled, migrant workers (under-developed countries), penal sanctions for breaches of contract of employment, vocational training in agriculture and welfare facilities for workers.

3. **Governing Body.**—The Australian Government as a deputy member was represented at the 125th session of the Governing Body, which met at Geneva during May, 1954. Subsequently Australia was elected to full membership of the Governing Body at the 37th Session of the International Labour Conference, and was represented as a full member at the 126th, 127th, 128th and 129th Sessions of the Governing Body which met in June,

1954 (Geneva), November, 1954 (Rome), March, 1955 (Geneva) and May, 1955 (Geneva) respectively, by Mr. R. L. Harry, Australian Permanent Delegate to the European Office of the United Nations

4. **General Conferences.**—In addition to the above-mentioned conferences Australia was represented at a number of the specialist and regional conferences held by the I.L.O., such as the European Regional Conference (Geneva, January, 1955) and the Asian Advisory Committee (Geneva, March, 1955) and at the Industrial Committees, such as the Metal Trades Committee (Geneva, November, 1954) and the Permanent Agricultural Committee (Paris, September, 1955), which were of particular interest to the Government, employers and workers of Australia.

APPENDIX.

SECTION I

Sydney : Average Retail Prices^(a) of Chief Food and Groceries Items during each Month of the Year, 1954.

Item	Unit.	January	February	March	April	May	June.	July.	August	September	October	November.	December	Average. 1954.
Groceries, &c —														
Bread (b) ..	2 lb.	d.	d.	d	d	d	d	d	d.	d.	d	d	d	d
Flour, ordinary ..	"	13.30	13.30	13.30	13.30	13.30	13.30	13.30	13.30	13.30	13.30	13.30	13.30	13.30
" self-raising ..	"	11.56	11.71	11.71	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.94
Tea ..	lb.	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.50
Sugar ..	"	56.00	56.00	56.00	56.00	56.00	56.00	56.00	56.00	56.00	56.00	56.00	56.00	56.00
Rice ..	"	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
Taploca, seed ..	"	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00
Jam, plum ..	1 1/2 lb.	16.06	15.56	14.25	13.65	12.90	12.75	13.00	12.60	12.60	12.60	12.15	12.15	13.35
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	29.45	29.45	29.45	29.45	29.45	29.45	29.45	29.45	29.45	29.45	29.45	29.45	29.45
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	18.45	18.45	18.45	18.45	18.45	18.45	18.45	18.45	18.45	18.45	18.45	18.45	18.45
Raisins, seeded ..	"	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	8.92	8.92	8.88	8.56	8.56	8.56	8.56	8.56	8.79
Currants ..	"	33.10	33.10	33.10	33.10	33.10	33.05	32.70	32.70	32.70	32.70	32.40	31.85	32.80
Apricots, dried ..	"	24.21	24.21	24.21	24.21	24.21	24.21	24.07	24.50	24.67	24.21	24.21	24.21	24.31
Peaches, canned ..	30 oz.	69.10	69.10	66.83	66.20	68.50	68.50	66.67	64.00	64.17	63.00	63.00	64.20	66.25
Pears, canned ..	"	33.63	38.65	38.65	38.65	38.65	38.65	38.65	38.65	38.45	38.45	38.45	39.00	38.63
Potatoes ..	7 lb	41.25	41.45	40.05	41.55	41.55	41.35	41.50	41.00	41.15	41.15	41.15	41.70	41.31
Onions, brown ..	lb	40.72	39.03	41.63	37.14	35.93	32.80	31.83	31.29	27.68	27.68	31.23	29.21	33.85
Soup ..	"	9.15	9.20	8.90	8.70	8.30	8.65	9.50	8.75	7.30	7.00	9.00	8.50	8.58
Kerosene ..	quart	16.67	16.67	16.67	16.67	16.67	18.33	18.33	18.30	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	17.64
Dairy Produce—														
Butter, factory ..	lb	8.36	8.38	8.38	8.38	8.36	8.30	8.13	8.33	8.33	8.33	8.33	8.34	8.36
Cheese, mild ..	"	49.50	49.50	49.50	49.50	49.50	49.50	49.50	49.30	49.30	49.30	49.30	49.50	49.43
Eggs, new laid ..	doz	33.55	33.55	33.55	33.55	33.55	33.55	33.55	33.50	33.56	33.56	33.56	33.56	33.55
Bacon, rashers ..	lb	66.00	69.00	72.00	72.00	72.00	72.00	60.00	60.00	60.00	60.00	60.00	60.00	65.25
Milk, condensed ..	tin	73.89	74.22	74.56	74.56	74.56	73.50	72.39	69.83	68.14	68.73	68.83	67.94	71.83
" fresh (b) ..	quart	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50
Meat—														
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	March Quarter			June Quarter.			September Quarter			December Quarter			41.86
" rib ..	"	40.89			41.57			40.99			43.97			26.23
" steak, rump ..	"	25.93			25.67			25.90			27.13			55.64
" " chuck ..	"	54.97			54.07			55.97			56.53			28.47
" sausages ..	"	27.43			27.63			28.69			30.20			19.55
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"	19.20			19.20			19.00			19.00			
" " brisket ..	"	33.80			32.90			33.20			36.07			33.99
Mutton, leg ..	"	21.13			23.10			24.13			25.87			24.46
" forequarter ..	"	21.67			21.03			21.77			20.60			21.26
" loin ..	"	14.37			13.42			15.35			14.44			14.40
" chops, loin ..	"	23.83			22.50			24.70			23.57			23.65
" " leg ..	"	23.87			22.50			24.67			23.57			23.65
Pork, leg ..	"	25.17			23.60			25.37			24.30			24.61
" loin ..	"	57.37			54.00			53.70			52.33			51.33
" chops ..	"	53.63			56.87			53.97			52.60			55.52
" " ..	"	58.43			56.30			53.40			52.30			55.11

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

(b) Delivered.

SECTION I.—continued.

Melbourne : Average Retail Prices^(a) of Chief Food and Groceries Items during each Month of the Year, 1954.

Item.	Unit.	January.	February	March.	April.	May	June.	July.	August.	September.	October	November.	December	Average, 1954
Groceries, &c.—		<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Bread (b) ..	2 lb	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00
Flour, ordinary ..	"	11.22	11.22	11.11	11.11	11.11	11.11	11.11	11.15	11.15	11.15	11.15	11.15	11.15
self-raising ..	"	17.50	17.50	17.50	17.50	17.50	17.50	17.50	17.50	17.50	17.50	17.50	17.50	17.50
Tea ..	lb	55.05	55.05	55.05	55.05	55.15	55.15	55.15	55.15	68.35	68.35	85.80	89.00	62.94
Sugar ..	"	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
Ice ..	"	12.00	12.00	11.95	11.95	11.90	11.95	11.95	11.95	11.95	12.00	11.95	12.00	11.96
Tapioca, seed ..	"	23.70	22.60	22.60	18.25	18.25	16.75	16.75	16.75	16.75	14.13	12.63	12.63	17.65
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb	27.20	27.20	27.20	27.20	27.30	27.30	27.30	27.30	27.30	27.30	27.30	27.30	27.28
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	19.10	19.10	19.10	19.10	19.05	19.05	19.10	19.00	19.00	19.00	18.90	19.00	19.04
Oats flaked ..	lb.	8.17	8.17	8.17	8.80	8.80	9.00	9.00	9.20	9.40	9.40	9.40	9.40	8.91
Raisins, seeded ..	"	31.80	31.80	31.80	31.25	31.25	30.56	30.22	30.39	30.39	30.28	29.50	29.28	30.73
Grants ..	"	22.75	22.75	22.75	22.60	22.60	22.56	22.63	22.63	22.63	22.63	22.63	22.69	22.67
Apricots, dried ..	"	59.92	59.92	59.92	59.11	59.42	61.56	60.56	60.56	60.56	60.56	60.56	60.42	60.27
Peaches, canned ..	30 oz.	33.45	33.50	33.50	33.50	33.55	33.60	33.68	33.65	33.65	33.65	33.50	33.20	33.53
Pears, canned ..	"	34.75	34.00	33.05	35.05	35.00	35.75	35.80	35.80	35.85	35.85	36.00	35.70	35.51
Potatoes ..	7 lb	35.00	28.58	28.00	28.00	28.00	24.11	20.75	20.75	13.33	13.21	17.50	33.92	23.43
Onions, brown ..	lb.	8.00	5.40	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.42	5.92	5.92	5.92	6.33	7.00	8.60	6.25
Soap ..	"	16.54	16.54	16.54	16.54	16.54	17.92	18.18	18.11	18.11	18.11	18.11	18.11	17.45
Kerosene ..	quart	8.46	8.41	8.50	8.20	8.17	8.18	8.18	8.15	8.15	8.15	8.15	8.11	8.22
Dairy Produce—														
Butter, factory ..	lb	49.35	49.35	49.35	49.35	49.35	49.35	49.35	49.35	49.35	49.50	49.50	49.50	49.39
Cheese, mild ..	"	33.00	33.00	33.00	33.00	33.00	33.00	33.00	33.00	33.00	33.00	33.00	33.00	33.00
Eggs, new laid ..	doz	63.00	67.40	67.00	67.00	67.00	67.00	61.00	61.00	61.00	60.90	60.90	60.90	63.68
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	80.13	80.13	80.13	80.13	80.13	80.13	79.73	64.00	64.00	66.25	61.00	63.71	73.54
Milk, condensed ..	tin	22.15	22.10	22.05	22.05	22.05	22.05	22.05	22.05	22.05	22.15	22.45	22.15	22.14
fresh (b) ..	quart	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00
Meat—			March Quarter.			June Quarter.			September Quarter.			December Quarter.		
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.		38.33			38.00			38.90			38.90		38.76
rib ..	"		33.32			33.60			31.52			33.63		33.52
steak, rump ..	"		49.37			49.43			50.05			50.43		49.82
chuck ..	"		32.10			32.40			32.50			32.50		32.38
sausages ..	"		19.84			20.00			20.15			19.79		19.95
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"		37.87			37.87			37.50			37.82		37.77
brisket ..	"		28.17			28.33			27.13			27.77		27.92
Mutton, leg ..	"		23.86			23.95			24.14			23.71		23.92
forequarter ..	"		14.43			14.86			15.14			14.57		14.75
loin ..	"		22.11			22.38			22.05			21.76		22.08
chops, loin ..	"		25.19			25.44			23.29			22.95		23.22
leg ..	"		25.43			25.57			26.13			25.67		26.03
Pork, leg ..	"		59.88			58.83			51.93			49.72		51.97
loin ..	"		60.50			59.55			52.70			50.37		55.78
chops ..	"		60.22			59.40			53.30			51.20		56.03

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

(b) Delivered.

SECTION I.—continued

Brisbane: Average Retail Prices^(a) of Chief Food and Groceries Items during each Month of the Year, 1954.

Item.	Unit	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Average 1954
Groceries, &c —		d.	d	d	d	d.	d	d	d	d.	d.	d	d.	d.
Bread (b) ..	2 lb	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00
Flour, ordinary self-raising ..	"	8.90	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	8.95	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	8.99
Tea ..	lb.	17.15	17.30	17.20	17.20	17.20	17.20	17.20	17.20	17.20	17.20	17.20	17.20	17.20
Sugar ..	"	55.10	55.10	55.10	55.10	55.10	55.35	55.35	55.35	66.50	67.70	86.70	86.70	62.43
Rice ..	"	8.95	8.95	8.95	8.95	8.98	8.98	8.98	8.98	8.98	8.98	8.95	8.95	8.97
Tapoca, seed ..	"	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.94	11.94	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.99
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	16.20	15.36	15.64	15.06	14.91	14.50	14.78	14.89	14.83	14.33	13.60	13.56	14.82
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	27.70	27.75	27.80	27.90	27.80	27.85	27.60	27.70	27.85	27.85	27.80	27.45	27.75
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	17.35	17.35	17.30	17.35	17.35	17.35	17.35	17.40	17.40	17.40	17.35	17.35	17.40
Raisins, seeded ..	"	10.38	10.38	10.38	10.38	9.63	10.13	10.13	9.92	9.92	9.92	9.92	10.17	10.11
Currants ..	"	28.25	28.25	28.25	28.30	28.30	27.65	26.90	26.95	26.70	26.65	27.00	26.60	27.48
Apricots, dried ..	"	21.75	21.75	21.75	21.75	21.75	21.75	22.00	21.75	22.00	22.00	21.75	21.75	21.81
Peaches, dried ..	"	54.80	52.17	50.70	51.89	54.22	54.67	55.00	54.38	54.20	54.20	54.20	54.40	53.74
Pears, canned ..	30 oz	35.40	36.10	36.10	33.65	35.75	36.30	36.35	36.25	36.35	36.30	36.05	36.05	36.10
Potatoes ..	"	37.83	37.67	37.20	37.70	37.70	37.85	37.90	38.10	38.75	37.95	37.80	37.60	37.88
Onions, brown ..	7 lb.	47.91	61.06	48.25	42.00	36.90	33.40	31.80	31.10	35.15	27.50	26.50	26.50	39.15
Soap ..	lb.	8.50	9.65	9.65	9.15	8.70	8.15	9.33	7.10	4.75	4.50	6.95	6.55	7.75
Kerosene ..	quart	16.44	16.44	16.44	16.44	16.44	16.44	17.37	18.13	18.13	18.13	18.13	18.13	17.22
Dairy Produce —		8.61	8.49	8.41	8.38	8.38	8.38	8.34	8.36	8.33	8.34	8.34	8.34	8.39
Butter, factory ..	lb	48.90	48.90	48.90	48.90	48.90	49.10	49.10	49.10	49.10	49.10	49.10	49.10	49.02
Cheese, mild ..	"	32.00	32.00	32.00	32.00	32.00	32.00	32.00	32.00	32.00	32.00	32.00	32.00	31.98
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	60.60	60.70	61.00	64.00	64.00	64.00	51.50	51.60	51.60	51.50	51.40	57.70	57.72
Bacon, rashers ..	lb	65.65	66.10	67.45	67.40	67.40	67.50	63.90	64.15	64.15	64.15	57.95	57.85	64.47
Milk, condensed ..	tin	23.30	23.30	23.30	23.30	23.35	23.35	23.35	23.35	23.30	23.30	23.30	23.30	23.32
" fresh (b) ..	quart	15.10	15.10	15.10	16.10	16.10	16.10	16.10	16.10	16.10	15.10	15.10	15.10	15.60
Meat—			March Quarter		June Quarter.		September Quarter.		December Quarter					
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.		32.17		31.10		31.35		34.23					32.21
" rib ..	"		23.30		22.10		22.35		24.90					23.16
" steak, rump ..	"		38.17		36.90		37.01		40.16					38.06
" chuck ..	"		22.07		20.90		21.01		23.22					21.80
" sausages ..	"		17.27		17.11		17.10		17.73					17.30
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"		28.07		27.10		27.35		30.10					28.16
" " brisket ..	"		23.80		22.90		23.01		25.11					23.71
Mutton, leg ..	"		21.23		19.30		20.36		21.10					20.51
" forequarter ..	"		15.95		14.24		15.11		15.75					15.26
" loin ..	"		21.18		17.60		18.56		19.43					19.19
" chops, loin ..	"		22.00		20.30		21.18		21.94					21.36
" leg ..	"		21.15		19.36		20.29		21.08					20.47
Pork, leg ..	"		52.33		51.10		48.33		44.80					49.14
" loin ..	"		51.13		49.53		46.97		43.53					47.79
" chops ..	"		51.03		49.53		46.97		43.67					47.80

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

(b) Delivered.

SECTION I.—continued.

Adelaide : Average Retail Prices^(a) of Chief Food and Groceries Items during each Month of the Year, 1954.

Item	Unit.	January.	February.	March.	April	May.	June.	July	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Average. 1954
Groceries, &c.—														
Bread (b) ..	2 lb.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Flour, ordinary ..	"	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00
.. self-rising ..	"	16.45	16.45	16.45	16.45	16.45	16.45	16.45	16.45	16.45	16.45	16.45	16.45	16.45
Tea ..	lb.	56.00	56.00	56.00	56.00	56.00	56.00	56.00	56.00	56.00	56.00	56.00	56.00	56.00
Sugar ..	"	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
Rice ..	"	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00
Tapioca, seed ..	"	15.95	15.95	15.95	15.20	14.90	13.95	13.80	13.45	13.10	13.10	13.15	13.15	14.30
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	27.10	27.10	27.10	27.15	27.15	27.15	27.15	27.15	27.20	27.25	27.25	27.25	27.17
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	9.25	9.25	9.25	9.25	9.25	9.25	9.25	9.25	9.25	9.25	9.25	9.25	9.25
Raisins, seeded ..	"	31.00	31.00	31.00	31.00	31.72	31.72	29.28	28.67	28.50	28.50	28.50	28.50	30.30
Currants ..	"	22.80	22.90	22.90	22.95	22.90	22.90	22.95	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	22.95
Apricots, dried ..	"	56.78	56.78	56.90	57.30	57.72	57.85	53.15	53.15	53.30	53.35	53.35	53.35	57.72
Peaches, canned ..	30 oz	35.45	35.45	35.45	35.35	36.05	36.25	36.10	36.10	36.35	36.35	36.35	36.35	36.03
Pears, canned ..	"	37.20	37.20	37.20	37.20	37.25	37.25	37.35	37.35	37.35	37.35	37.35	37.35	37.28
Potatoes ..	7 lb	35.00	28.00	28.00	28.00	28.00	21.43	21.00	20.40	20.40	14.48	25.00	29.29	24.92
Onions, brown ..	lb	9.75	8.25	8.20	7.60	7.60	7.40	12.70	11.50	8.50	7.50	7.70	7.70	8.70
Soap ..	quart	16.67	16.67	16.67	16.67	16.67	13.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	17.64
Kerosene ..	"	7.85	7.84	7.78	7.77	7.74	7.74	7.74	7.74	7.74	7.74	7.76	7.76	7.77
Dairy Produce—														
Butter, factory ..	lb.	49.50	49.50	49.50	49.50	49.50	49.50	49.50	49.50	49.50	49.50	49.50	49.50	49.50
Cheese, mild ..	"	32.50	32.50	31.50	32.50	32.50	32.50	32.50	32.50	32.50	32.50	32.50	32.50	32.50
Eggs, new laid ..	doz	57.60	60.65	62.50	64.70	64.60	64.60	61.65	55.55	50.75	46.05	43.55	43.55	56.31
Bacon, rashers ..	lb	73.10	73.10	73.10	73.10	73.10	73.10	73.10	67.45	67.45	67.45	65.45	65.45	70.25
Milk, condensed ..	tin	23.25	23.25	23.25	23.25	23.25	23.25	23.25	23.25	23.25	23.25	23.25	23.25	23.28
.. fresh (b) ..	quart	15.50	15.50	15.50	15.50	15.50	15.50	15.50	15.50	15.50	15.50	15.50	15.50	15.50
Meat—														
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	March Quarter.			June Quarter.			September Quarter			December Quarter			29.86
.. rib ..	"	27.20			28.43			31.80			32.00			28.52
.. steak, rump ..	"	26.40			27.57			30.17			29.93			47.00
.. chuck ..	"	44.15			44.85			49.47			49.50			28.42
.. saw-ages ..	"	26.63			26.99			30.00			30.07			17.68
.. salted ..	"	17.33			17.38			18.00			18.00			
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"	31.46			31.65			35.47			35.73			33.58
.. briskeet ..	"	25.04			25.90			29.37			29.60			27.48
Mutton, leg ..	"	20.64			22.39			23.97			23.62			22.66
.. forequarter ..	"	10.95			12.14			13.20			12.30			12.15
.. loin ..	"	19.22			20.76			23.35			22.50			21.40
.. chops, loin ..	"	19.85			21.09			24.13			23.13			22.05
.. leg ..	"	21.18			21.73			24.27			23.77			22.61
Pork, leg ..	"	57.92			58.63			55.70			51.27			55.38
.. loin ..	"	57.92			58.63			55.70			51.70			55.51
.. chops ..	"	57.92			58.73			54.03			52.03			55.70

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

(b) Delivered.

SECTION I.—continued.

Perth : Average Retail Prices^(a) of Chief Food and Groceries Items during each Month of the Year, 1954.

Item.	Unit.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May	June	July	August.	September.	October.	November.	December	Average, 1954
Groceries, &c.—														
Bread (b) ..	2 lb.	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.50	14.00	14.00	13.58
Flour, ordinary ..	..	11.60	11.60	11.95	11.95	11.95	11.90	11.90	11.90	11.90	11.90	11.90	11.90	11.86
.. self-raising ..	..	19.20	19.20	19.30	19.30	19.20	19.20	19.20	19.20	19.20	19.20	19.20	19.20	19.22
Tea ..	lb.	55.90	55.90	55.90	55.90	55.00	55.90	55.90	55.90	68.60	69.95	92.45	92.45	64.22
Sugar ..	..	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
Rice ..	..	11.85	11.85	11.60	11.39	11.94	11.94	11.94	11.95	11.90	11.85	11.80	11.75	11.86
Tapioca, seed ..	..	21.63	23.30	22.92	21.25	20.40	19.80	21.60	18.00	16.67	16.50	15.50	15.50	19.67
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	31.75	31.80	31.55	31.61	31.75	31.75	31.85	31.85	31.80	31.80	31.85	31.85	31.77
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	19.90	19.90	19.85	19.85	19.85	19.85	19.90	19.95	19.85	19.85	19.85	19.85	19.88
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	9.07	9.14	9.14	9.14	9.29	9.58	9.25	9.25	9.25	9.25	9.25	9.25	9.22
Raisins, seeded ..	..	34.42	31.78	34.73	34.62	34.62	33.44	30.17	30.17	30.10	30.08	30.08	30.08	32.27
Currants ..	..	24.20	24.45	24.25	24.00	23.63	23.88	24.15	23.90	24.00	24.00	23.90	23.90	24.02
Apricots, dried ..	..	60.43	59.83	59.83	61.00	61.00	61.00	61.33	62.43	62.43	61.00	61.00	61.00	61.14
Peaches, canned ..	30 oz.	37.75	38.00	38.05	38.35	39.10	39.45	38.85	39.45	39.45	39.15	39.15	39.20	38.83
Pears, canned ..	..	39.30	39.35	40.15	39.65	40.35	40.85	40.25	40.65	40.70	40.70	40.70	40.65	40.28
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	29.00	29.00	29.00	32.00	32.00	32.00	32.00	32.00	32.00	32.00	27.75	27.75	30.54
Onions, brown ..	lb.	6.00	6.13	6.31	6.38	6.38	7.63	18.29	11.88	9.88	9.14	8.00	7.94	8.66
Soap ..	..	17.57	17.57	17.57	17.57	17.57	18.73	19.30	19.30	19.30	19.30	19.30	19.30	18.53
Kerosene ..	quart	13.30	13.12	13.05	13.04	13.04	13.04	13.05	13.05	13.05	13.05	13.05	13.05	13.07
Dairy Produce—														
Butter, factory ..	lb.	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	49.60	49.97
Cheese, mild ..	..	37.00	37.00	37.00	37.00	37.00	37.00	37.00	37.00	37.00	37.00	37.00	37.00	37.00
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	64.00	64.00	64.00	61.00	64.00	61.00	61.00	51.00	53.70	53.80	54.00	54.00	59.79
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	73.11	73.11	73.17	73.17	73.17	71.89	71.67	68.67	68.67	68.33	66.75	66.13	70.65
Milk, condensed ..	tin	23.40	23.35	23.40	23.35	23.35	23.35	23.35	23.35	23.35	23.35	23.35	23.35	23.36
.. fresh (b) ..	quart	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00
Meat—														
		March Quarter.			June Quarter.			September Quarter.			December Quarter.			
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	35.39	38.93	38.93	38.93	38.93	38.82	38.82	38.82	38.82	38.15	38.15	38.15	37.82
.. rib ..	..	29.58	32.58	32.58	32.58	32.58	33.58	33.58	33.58	33.58	33.53	33.53	33.53	32.37
.. steak rump ..	..	48.80	52.60	52.60	52.60	52.60	53.90	53.90	53.90	53.81	53.81	53.81	53.81	52.28
.. chuck ..	..	33.00	36.01	36.01	36.01	36.01	36.77	36.77	36.77	36.77	35.37	35.37	35.37	35.29
.. sausages ..	..	21.51	21.81	21.81	21.81	21.81	22.33	22.33	22.33	22.33	21.81	21.81	21.81	21.87
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	..	35.13	37.77	37.77	37.77	37.77	37.67	37.67	37.67	36.93	36.93	36.93	36.93	36.88
.. brisket ..	..	28.87	30.57	30.57	30.57	30.57	30.63	30.63	30.63	29.90	29.90	29.90	29.90	29.90
Mutton, leg ..	..	27.67	30.20	30.20	30.20	30.20	30.27	30.27	30.27	27.26	27.26	27.26	27.26	28.85
.. forequarter ..	..	16.83	18.67	18.67	18.67	18.67	19.51	19.51	19.51	17.38	17.38	17.38	17.38	18.10
.. loin ..	..	26.80	29.00	29.00	29.00	29.00	30.06	30.06	30.06	27.16	27.16	27.16	27.16	28.48
.. chops, loin ..	..	26.87	29.00	29.00	29.00	29.00	30.23	30.23	30.23	27.53	27.53	27.53	27.53	28.63
.. leg ..	..	26.87	29.00	29.00	29.00	29.00	30.23	30.23	30.23	27.53	27.53	27.53	27.53	28.63
Pork, leg ..	..	62.67	62.53	62.53	62.53	62.53	57.23	57.23	57.23	50.42	50.42	50.42	50.42	58.21
.. loin ..	..	62.64	62.36	62.36	62.36	62.36	57.37	57.37	57.37	50.59	50.59	50.59	50.59	58.24
.. chops ..	..	62.74	62.61	62.61	62.61	62.61	57.37	57.37	57.37	50.59	50.59	50.59	50.59	58.33

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

(b) Delivered.

SECTION I.—continued.

Hobart : Average Retail Prices^(a) of Chief Food and Groceries Items during each Month of the Year, 1954.

Item	Unit.	January.	February	March	April.	May.	June	July	August	September.	October.	November	December	Average, 1954.
Groceries, &c.—														
Bread (b) ..	2 lb.	d.	d	d	d	d.	d.	d.	d	d	d	d.	d.	d.
Flour, ordinary ..	"	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00
" self-raising ..	"	10.55	10.45	10.40	10.35	10.60	10.60	10.70	10.65	10.65	10.65	10.65	10.65	10.58
Tea ..	lb	19.10	19.05	19.00	19.05	19.10	19.10	19.10	19.10	19.10	19.10	19.10	19.10	19.08
Sugar ..	"	56.00	56.00	56.00	56.00	56.00	56.00	56.00	56.00	56.00	56.00	56.00	56.00	56.00
Rice ..	"	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
Tapioca, seed ..	"	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb	22.65	22.20	20.90	20.56	17.83	17.00	16.94	16.94	17.31	17.00	17.00	17.00	16.61
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	29.10	29.00	28.50	28.55	28.50	28.15	28.45	28.55	28.55	28.55	28.60	28.55	28.61
Oats, flaked ..	lb	20.20	20.15	20.15	20.20	20.20	20.20	20.20	20.20	20.20	20.15	20.15	20.15	20.18
Raisins, seeded ..	"	10.13	10.50	10.25	10.10	10.10	10.10	10.10	10.10	10.10	10.10	10.10	10.10	10.15
Currents ..	"	32.78	32.78	32.78	32.61	31.70	32.00	32.50	32.50	32.50	32.50	31.95	32.41	32.41
Apricots, dried ..	"	25.50	25.50	25.50	25.50	25.50	25.50	25.50	25.60	25.60	26.00	25.40	25.40	25.53
Peaches, canned ..	30 oz.	59.56	59.56	59.56	60.30	60.90	61.20	61.20	61.20	60.80	60.33	60.33	58.60	60.30
Pears, canned ..	"	39.85	39.45	38.70	39.20	38.60	39.40	39.20	38.85	38.85	38.85	38.85	38.75	39.05
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	42.50	42.50	41.90	41.90	41.85	41.70	41.70	41.90	41.90	42.05	41.75	42.05	41.98
Onions, brown ..	lb.	27.33	27.33	27.33	27.33	27.33	27.33	27.33	27.33	27.33	27.33	27.33	27.33	27.33
Soap ..	lb.	12.14	10.43	10.13	9.44	9.19	9.19	11.00	11.25	10.50	10.00	10.33	12.14	10.48
Kerosene ..	quart	16.67	16.67	16.67	16.67	16.67	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	17.64
Dairy Produce—														
Butter, factory ..	lb.	12.72	12.74	12.74	12.72	12.68	12.73	12.61	12.61	12.63	12.63	12.63	12.63	12.63
Cheese, mild ..	"	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
Eggs, new laid ..	doz	35.22	35.05	31.30	33.24	33.39	33.35	32.91	32.91	32.91	33.91	32.33	31.97	33.54
Bacon, rashers ..	lb	66.67	66.67	66.67	66.67	66.67	66.67	66.67	66.67	66.67	66.67	66.67	66.67	66.67
Milk, condensed ..	tin	72.00	72.00	72.00	72.00	72.00	72.00	71.33	67.20	67.20	67.50	67.50	67.80	70.04
" fresh (b) ..	quart	23.45	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50
Meat—														
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	March Quarter.			June Quarter.			September Quarter.			December Quarter.			
" rib ..	"	42.97			41.80			41.87			41.13			41.94
" steak, rump ..	"	35.59			34.62			34.34			33.75			34.58
" chuck ..	"	57.77			56.00			56.00			53.57			56.34
" sausages ..	"	38.43			36.90			36.80			36.00			37.03
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"	22.90			23.47			23.53			23.03			23.23
brisket ..	"	41.37			40.97			41.00			40.57			40.98
Mutton, leg ..	"	33.73			33.00			33.00			31.77			32.88
" forequarter ..	"	24.33			24.11			28.00			29.11			26.39
" loin ..	"	12.89			11.74			14.89			15.26			13.70
" chops, loin ..	"	23.67			23.63			21.74			20.30			22.34
" leg ..	"	23.85			23.78			21.81			20.37			22.45
Pork, leg ..	"	24.37			24.00			23.41			22.41			23.55
" loin ..	"	59.20			59.73			55.70			52.87			54.88
" chops ..	"	59.80			59.67			55.27			52.63			56.84
	"	60.00			60.47			55.90			53.43			57.18

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

(b) Delivered.

SECTION II.

Average Retail Prices of Food in Principal Cities : Australia and Other Countries, 1954.

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

Item	Unit	AUSTRALIA (a)								NEW ZEALAND							
		Sydney				Melbourne				Wellington				Christchurch.			
		Feb	May	Aug	Nov	Feb	May	Aug	Nov	Feb.	May.	Aug.	Nov	Feb.	May.	Aug	Nov
		d.	d	d.	d	d.	d.	d.	d	d	d.	d.	d	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread	2 lb.	13.30	13.30	13.30	13.30	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.50
Flour, ordinary	"	11.71	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.22	11.11	11.13	11.15	6.34	6.34	6.34	6.36	5.92	5.92	5.92	5.92
Tea	lb.	56.00	56.00	56.00	88.85	55.05	55.15	55.15	83.80	72.20	73.00	85.20	85.60	72.50	75.00	85.50	85.60
Jam, plum	1 1/2 lb	29.45	29.45	29.45	29.45	27.20	27.30	27.30	27.30	31.29	31.63	31.63	31.63	31.03	32.23	32.23	32.06
Sugar	lb	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	8.83	8.83	8.83	9.00	8.83	8.83	8.83
Rice	"	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.90	11.95	11.95	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
Oatmeal	"	9.00	8.92	8.56	8.56	8.17	8.30	9.02	9.40	10.40	10.40	10.40	10.40	10.42	10.42	10.42	10.38
Raisins	"	31.10	33.10	32.70	32.40	31.89	31.25	30.39	29.50	17.70	17.70	16.60	16.60	17.95	17.80	17.00	16.60
Peaches, canned	30-oz. tin	38.65	38.65	38.65	38.45	33.56	33.55	33.65	33.50	45.40	46.90	47.10	47.00	44.00	44.00	46.00	47.00
Potatoes	7 lb	39.02	35.93	31.29	31.23	28.58	28.00	26.75	17.50	33.04	27.23	28.00	26.67	23.31	23.31	17.72	16.52
Onions	lb	9.20	8.30	8.75	9.00	5.40	5.50	5.92	7.00	8.50	7.50	8.33	12.67	4.50	3.67	8.67	9.00
Milk	quart	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	10.00	9.00
Butter	lb.	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.50	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	24.00	24.00	24.00	24.00	24.00	24.00	24.00	24.00
Cheese	"	33.55	33.55	33.50	33.50	33.00	33.00	33.00	33.00	22.60	24.00	24.10	23.40	22.50	23.40	23.40	23.10
Eggs	dozen	69.00	72.00	60.00	60.00	67.40	67.00	61.00	60.90	63.60	75.60	57.60	48.00	58.00	71.00	53.00	41.00
Bacon	lb.	74.22	74.56	69.83	68.83	80.13	80.13	64.00	64.00	44.10	44.30	44.40	45.40	43.00	43.20	43.40	43.40
		(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)								
Beef, sirloin	"	40.89	41.57	40.99	43.97	38.33	38.00	38.90	38.90	30.33	31.00	31.67	34.67	28.67	28.67	29.83	30.50
rib	"	25.93	25.67	25.90	27.43	33.32	33.60	33.52	33.63	26.67	27.13	27.67	31.33	26.67	26.67	28.00	28.67
steak, rump	"	54.97	55.07	55.97	56.53	49.37	49.43	50.93	50.43	35.33	35.67	36.67	40.33	33.33	33.33	34.33	34.33
sauces	"	15.20	19.20	19.90	19.90	19.84	20.00	20.15	19.79	15.67	15.67	15.67	17.33	14.00	14.00	14.33	14.33
Mutton, leg,	"	21.67	21.03	21.75	20.60	23.86	23.95	24.14	23.71	27.67	28.00	29.33	31.33	25.67	25.67	26.67	27.00
forequarter	"	14.37	13.41	15.35	14.44	14.43	14.86	15.14	14.57	18.33	18.67	19.33	20.33	14.67	14.67	15.00	15.00
chops	"	23.87	22.50	21.67	23.57	23.19	23.43	23.29	22.95	27.00	27.67	28.67	29.67	24.33	24.33	26.00	26.00
Pork, leg	"	57.37	51.90	51.70	51.31	59.88	58.85	51.93	46.22	31.67	36.00	36.00	38.00	33.67	33.67	35.33	36.00
chops	"	58.13	56.30	53.40	52.30	60.22	59.40	53.30	51.20	36.00	36.33	36.33	38.00	34.33	34.33	36.33	37.00

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

SECTION II.—*continued.*Average Retail Prices of Food in Principal Cities: Australia and Other Countries, 1954—*continued.*

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

Item.	Unit.	UNITED KINGDOM.	UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA.								
			Capetown.					Witwatersrand.			
			Oct.	Feb.	May.	Aug.	Nov.	Feb.	May.	Aug.	Nov.
Bread	2 lb.	d. 8.6	d. 10.1	d. 10.1	d. 10.1	d. 10.1	d. 9.9	d. 9.9	d. 9.9	d. 9.9	
Flour, ordinary .. .	"	12.5	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.3	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	
Tea	lb	76.4	77.5	87.0	90.1	94.4	77.3	86.3	88.8	94.9	
Jam	1½ lb.		(a) 19.1	(a) 18.2	(a) 18.5	(a) 16.5	(a) 20.4	(a) 19.7	(a) 19.3	(a) 19.0	
Sugar	lb.	7.6	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.7	
Ric.	"										
Oatmeal	"		11.5	11.2	11.5	10.9	10.9	10.9	10.9	11.0	
Raisins	"		21.1	22.1	22.1	22.0	23.2	23.5	24.1	24.6	
Peaches, canned .. .	30-oz tin		29.4	29.9	30.4	30.2	31.2	31.6	32.2	32.4	
Potatoes	7 lb.	14.0	27.3	28.0	32.9	28.0	22.4	25.9	28.0	26.6	
Onions	lb.	5.2	4.9	5.6	5.8	5.3	3.7	3.8	4.8	3.8	
Milk	quart.	14.0	13.0	13.0	13.0	13.0	13.6	13.6	13.6	13.6	
Butter	lb.	44.7	40.0	40.0	40.0	40.0	40.0	40.0	40.0	40.0	
Cheese	"	24.6	33.0	33.0	33.0	33.0	33.0	33.0	33.0	33.0	
Eggs	dozen.	56.6	38.8	44.9	33.9	33.8	38.6	44.0	33.7	33.1	
Bacon	lb.	42.4	40.6	40.6	40.6	41.8	40.6	40.6	40.6	40.8	
Beef, sirloin	"	44.8	23.0	23.0	23.0	23.0	25.5	25.6	25.6	25.6	
" rib	"	34.3	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	15.2	15.1	15.2	15.2	
" steak, rump .. .	"		28.0	28.0	28.0	28.0	29.1	29.1	29.0	28.9	
Mutton, leg	"	39.1	34.0	37.0	39.0	36.0	35.3	35.9	37.1	37.3	
Pork, Leg	"	35.8	28.0	28.0	28.0	28.0	28.2	28.1	28.0	27.6	
" chops	"		30.0	30.0	30.0	30.0	30.0	29.9	30.0	29.8	

(a) Union jam

SECTION II.—continued.

Average Retail Prices of Food in Principal Cities: Australia and Other Countries, 1954—continued.

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

Item.	Unit.	CANADA.								UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (a)			
		Ottawa.				Montreal.				Feb.	May.	Aug.	Nov.
		Feb.	May.	Aug.	Nov.(b)	Feb.	May	Aug	Nov.(b)				
		cents.	cents.	cents	cents.	cents	cents	cents	cents.	cents.	cents	cents	cents.
Bread ..	2 lb	25.4	25.4	25.4	24.4	25.4	25.4	25.4	24.8	34.0	31.0	34.8	35.0
Flour, ordinary ..	"	16.4	16.4	16.2	15.0	16.0	16.0	15.8	15.2	21.4	21.5	21.4	21.5
Tea ..	lb.	102.6	104.0	109.0	105.8	97.6	101.4	102.6	108.0	132.8	135.6	138.0	141.6
Jam(c) ..	1½ lb.	36.6	36.3	36.1	34.2	37.7	37.5	37.6	36.1	..	..	..	..
Sugar ..	1 lb	9.7	9.4	9.2	8.8	9.0	8.8	8.6	8.3	10.5	10.5	10.5	10.5
Rice ..	"	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	19.3	19.7	19.5	(d) 17.6
Oatmeal ..	"	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	14.8	14.8	14.8	14.8
Raisins ..	"	24.6	25.2	25.1	22.8	25.2	24.9	24.8	22.9	..	..	..	..
Peaches, canned ..	30-oz. tin	42.2	42.2	42.2	41.6	39.2	38.8	38.4	39.6	..	..	..	..
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	18.5	17.9	40.0	28.7	16.9	15.0	32.2	27.9	31.8	34.7	43.6	36.5
Onions ..	1 lb.	7.9	8.3	10.0	9.2	8.5	9.0	10.4	10.1	6.2	7.8	8.1	7.6
Milk ..	quart	21.6	21.6	21.6	21.5	20.0	20.0	20.0	19.9	13.3	22.2	22.8	23.3
Butter ..	lb.	66.6	63.1	61.1	62.3	65.3	61.3	60.5	62.4	79.1	69.6	69.2	56.8
Cheese ..	"	65.6	66.2	66.2	61.4	61.6	64.8	66.8	64.4	59.5	57.3	56.7	50.8
Eggs ..	dozen	60.8	54.2	66.7	61.8	60.6	54.5	60.8	63.5	65.6	53.8	61.7	58.1
Bacon ..	lb.	95.0	97.6	100.0	76.0	90.6	100.6	97.6	78.6	83.2	80.5	78.1	71.4
Beef, sirloin ..	"	71.9	71.5	78.1	78.6	83.2	86.2	94.0	91.4	..	..	..	..
" rib ..	"	..	..	..	74.7	..	..	..	78.0	70.1	70.0	69.2	71.8
" steak, rump ..	"	68.2	66.8	73.9	..	82.1	81.6	87.5	..	83.9	89.9	91.1	92.4
Pork chops ..	"	77.9	70.3	78.5	64.9	76.3	78.1	74.8	58.3	34.8	90.3	87.8	81.2

(a) Average for all towns.

(b) Includes chain food stores.

(c) Strawberry jam.

(d) Excludes long grain rice.

SECTION III.

Minimum Rates of Wage for Adult Male Workers in the Main Occupations in the Capital City of each State for a Full Week's Work (excluding Overtime) at 31st December, 1954.

NOTE.—These rates are quoted from the latest Awards, Determinations or Agreements which were in force at 31st December, 1954. 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) 260s. 0d. to 280s. 0d., indicating that in addition to the two rates specified there are also certain intermediate rates in force. In other cases the rates are shown in the form 26s. 6d. and 27s. 6d., indicating that there are only two minimum or standard rates in force for different classes or grades of work, and that there are no intermediate minimum or standard rates. Except where otherwise specified by a numerical prefix in small type, the hours of labour constituting a full week's work are 40. (See footnote below.) Rates for some occupations have been revised and are not necessarily comparable with those quoted in previous issues.

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

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
Coopering—						
Coopers	s. d. 318 0	s. d. 323 0	s. d. 298 0	s. d. 306 0	s. d. 325 1	s. d. ..
Furniture—						
Cabinetmakers ..	293 0	302 6	286 0	298 6	298 0	309 6
Carpet Planners ..	293 0	302 6	286 0	298 6	291 6	309 6
Chairmakers	293 0	302 6	286 0	298 6	298 0	309 6
French Polishers ..	293 0	302 6	286 0	298 6	296 6	309 6
Upholsterers	293 0	302 6	286 0	298 6	296 6	309 6
Woodcarvers	293 0	302 6	286 0	298 6	296 6	309 6
Wood Machinists ..	293 0	265/ to 302/6	286 0	261/ to 298/6	290 0	272/ to 309/6
Mattress Making—Wire—						
Finishers	285 6	263 0	279 7	261 0	270 6	272 0
Makers	284/6 & 268/	302 6	279 7	298 6	290 0	309 6
Picture Framing—						
Stainers	277 0	275 0	279 0	271 0	} 276 6 {	282 0
Joiners	277 0	265 0	279 0	261 0		272 0
Mount Cutters ..	277 0	265 0	279 0	261 0		271 0
Sawmilling and Timber Yards—						
Box and Casemakers	273 0	265 0	250 6	261 0	264 6	272 0
Labourers	257 0	249 0	240 6	245 0	251 6	256 0
Machinists—						
Box Printing	261 6	253 6	250 6	249 6	..	260 6
Boulds Carver	262 0	281 0	..	280 0	..	291 0
Nailing	265 0	257 0	250 6	253 0	..	261 0
Planing	271/6 & 292/	266/6 & 284/	..	262/6 & 280/	268/6 to 291/6	273/6 & 291/
Shaping	292 0	284 0	..	280 0	296 6	291 0
Ordermen	276 6	268 6	255 6	264 6	276 6	275 6
Saw Doctors	308 0	300 0	290 6	296 0	312 6	307 0
Sawyers—						
Band or jig	271/ to 295/	266/ to 287/	250/6 & 265/6	262/ to 283/	276/6 & 280/6	273/ to 291/
Circular	273/ & 290/	267/ to 282/	..	263/ to 278/	276/6 & 287/6	274/ & 289/
Stackers	260/ & 267/	252/ & 259/	..	248/ & 255/	256/6 & 262/6	259/ & 266/
Wood Turners	292 0	284 0	219 10	280 0	..	291 0

GROUP II.—ENGINEERING, METAL WORKS, ETC.

Industry and Occupation	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
Agricultural Implements						
Assemblers	288 0	260/ & 270/	263 0	256/ & 266/	262/6 & 268/6	..
Bull dozersmen ..	320 6	272 6	295 6	268 6	..	..
Drifters	278/ to 318/	262 6	253/ to 293/	258 6	321 6	..
Drivers	288/ & 318/	275/ to 285/	263/ to 293/	271/ to 281/	274/6 & 277/6	..
Labourers—Unskilled	252 0	244 0	227 0	240 0	246 6	..
Mechanists—Metal	278/ 1/ 318/	270/ to 310/	253/ to 293/	266/ to 306/	281/6 to 321/6	..
Painters—Brush	266 0	258 0	241 0	251 0	269 0	..
Spray	268 0	260 0	243 0	256 0	271 0	..
Patternmakers ..	340 6	332 6	315 6	328 6	344 0	..
Sheet Metal Workers	293/ & 318/	285/ & 310/	268/ & 293/	281/ & 306/	296/6 & 321/6	..
Strikers	266/ & 270/6	258/ & 262/6	241/ & 245/6	254/ & 258/6	270 6	..

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

(1) 31 hours (2) 36 hours (3) 37½ hours (4) 38 hours (5) 76 hours per fortnight (6) 14 hours (7) 60 hours (8) 35 to 40 hours (9) 18 hours.

SECTION III.—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.
Boilermaking—						
Boilermakers	318 0	310 0	295 0	306 0	321 6	317 0
Structural Steel Tradesmen	318 0	310 0		306 0	321 6	317 0
Cycles and Motor Cycles—						
Assemblers	262 6	267/6 & 279/	266/ & 281/6	263/6 & 275/6	271/6 & 274/	275/ & 289/6
Frame Builders	273 0	279/ & 284/6		272/ & 287/	296/6 & 314/	289 6
Repairers	273 0	279/ & 284/6	281 6	279/ & 287/	296/6 & 314/	289 6
Turners (Cycle)		309 0			321 6	294 0
Electrical Installation—						
Cable Jointers	301 0	302/6 & 307/6	295 0	298/6 & 303/6	321 6	309/6 & 314/6
Electrical Fitters	301 0	310 0	297 9	306 0	321 6	317 0
Electrical Mechanics.	301 0	310 0	295 0	306 0	321 6	317 0
Patrolmen		263/6 & 292/6	259 11	259/6 & 288/6		270/6 & 299/6
Linesmen	295 0	292 6	295 0	288 6	304 0	299 6
Other Adults	272 0	244 0	249 0	240 0	246 6	251 0
Electrical Supply—						
Armature Winders	315 0	324 0	297 9	306 0	321 6	327 0
Cable Jointers	349 0	301/6 & 306/6	295 0	298/6 & 303/6	321 6	309/6 & 314/6
Instrument Makers	379 0	332 0	297 9	311 0	321 6	312 0
Linesmen	327/ & 333/	291/6 to 309/	295 0	288 6	301 0	299/6 to 317/
Meter Testers	338 0	291/6 to 302/6	295 0	276/ & 286/		287/ & 297/
Patrolmen—Night	366 0	330/7 & 354/46	268 0	324 14		371 14
Shift Electricians	365 0	324 0	311 9	306 0		317 0
Switchboard Attendants		302 6	249 0	284 6		293 6
Labourers	296 0	251 0	249 0	240 0	246 6	251 0
Electrical Trades—						
Electrical Fitters	318 0	310 0	297 9	306 0	321 6	317 0
Electrical Mechanics	318 0	310 0	295 0	306 0	321 6	317 0
Radio Tradesmen	318 0	310 0	295 0	306 0	321 6	317 0
Electroplating—						
Platers	265/ to 318/	257/ to 310/	295 0	253/ to 306/	274/ & 321/6	261/ to 317/
Polishers	283 0	275 0	264/ & 295/	271 0	286 6	282 0
Engineering—						
Blacksmiths	320 6	312 6	299 6	308 6	321 6	310 6
Borers and Slotters	293/ & 318/	285/ & 310/	295 0	281/ & 306/	296/6 & 321/6	292/ & 317/
Brassfinishers	293/ & 318/	285/ & 310/	295 0	281/ & 306/	321 6	292/ & 317/
Coppersmiths	320 6	312 6	296 6	308 6	321 6	310 6
Drillers—Radial	268/ & 310/6	260/ & 302/6	262 0	256/ & 298/6	271/6 & 314/	267/ & 309/6
Fitters	318 0	310 0	295 0	306 0	321 6	317 0
Millers	293/ & 318/	285/ & 310/	295 0	281/ & 306/	296/6 & 321/6	292/ & 317/
Patternmakers	340 6	332 6	308 0	328 6	340 0	339 6
Planers—						
Rail and Plate Edge	293/ & 318/	285/ & 310/	262 0	281/ & 306/	296/6 & 321/6	292/ & 317/
Other	293/ & 318/	285/ & 310/	295 0	281/ & 306/	296/6 & 321/6	292/ & 317/
Shapers	293/ & 318/	285/ & 310/	295 0	281/ & 306/	296/6 & 321/6	292/ & 317/
Turners	318 0	310 0	295 0	306 0	321 6	317 0
Foundry—						
Coremakers—Machine	271/ to 293/	263/ to 285/	295 0	259/ to 281/	270/6 to 296/6	270/ to 292/
„ Jobbing	318 0	310 0	295 0	306 0	321 6	317 0
Dressers	271/ to 290/6	263/ to 282/6	261 6	259/ to 278/6	274/ & 279/	270/ to 280/6
Furnacemen	280/6 to 288/	272/6 to 280/	263/ to 281/6	248/6 to 276/	281/ to 291/6	279/6 to 287/
Moulders—Machine	271/ to 293/	263/ to 285/	273 0	259/ to 281/	270/6 to 296/6	270/ to 292/
„ Jobbing	318 0	310 0	295 0	306 0	321 6	317 0

(e) Includes allowance for continuous night work

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

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth	Hobart.
	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
Ironworking Assistants—						
Boilermakers' Assistants ..	266 0	258 0	257 0	254 0	270 6	265 0
Pititors' Assistants ..	266 0	258 0	257 0	254 0	270 6	265 0
Furnacemen's Assistants ..	266 0	258 0	246 10	254 0	269 6	265 0
Moulders' Assistants ..	266 0	258 0	258 6	254 0	270 6	265 0
Strikers ..	266/ & 270/6	258/ & 262/6	257 0	254/ & 258/6	270 6	265/ & 269/6
Sheet Metal Working—						
Canister Makers ..	273 0	265 0	260 0	261 0	272 6	272 0
Japaners—						
Coating or Brush-work ..	265 0	257 0	271 0	253 0	263 6	264 0
Ornamental ..	293 0	285 0	271 0	281 0	263 6	292 0
Solders ..	265/ & 273/	257/ & 265/	..	253/ & 261/	265 5	264/ & 272/
Sheet Metal Workers—						
1st Class ..	318 0	310 0	295 0	306 0	301 6	317 0
2nd Class ..	293 0	285 0	271 0	281 0	285 6	292 0
Nailmaking—						
Case Wires ..	264 0	243 0	..	..	..	251 0
Labourers ..	264 0	243 0	..	..	..	251 0
Setters Up ..	282 0	273 0	..	..	..	270 0
Wire Working—						
Journeymen ..	263 0	279 0	238 0	..	257 0	..

GROUP III.—FOOD, DRINK, TOBACCO, 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>
Aerated Water and						
Cordias—						
Bottlers ..	263 0	255 0	238 0	258 0	261 6	262 0
Drivers (Motor, 3-ton) ..	280 6	280 6	261 0	276 6	284 0	287 6
Packers ..	260 0	252 0	235 0	255 0	255 0	259 0
Wipers ..	260 0	252 0	235 0	255 0	255 0	259 0
Baking (Bread)—						
Board Hands ..	303 0	333 4	..	288 6	300 6	310 0
Carters (One Horse) ..	283 0	286 6	252 0	283 0	279 0	265 6
Doughmen ..	315/6 & 318/6	342 6	282 6	298 6	314 6	310 0
Ovenmen ..	311 6	333 4	280 0	288 6	300 6	310 0
Singlehands ..	308 0	356 8	282 6	293 6	314 6	319 0
Baking (Biscuits and						
Cakes)—						
Adult Males ..	249 0	251 0	239 6	244 0	249 6	246 0
Bakers ..	273 6	273 0	250 0	262 0	271 6	291 0
Mixers ..	264/ & 268/	272 0	250 0	259 0	274 6	297 0
Brewing—						
Adult Males ..	281 0	271 0	246 0	281 0	270 6	280 0
Bottlers and Washers ..	281 0	271 0	246 0	281 0	270 6	280 0
Cellarmen ..	281/ & 286/	276 0	256 0	293 0	284 6	280 0
Drivers (Motor, 3-ton) ..	295 0	290 4	262 0	297 0	289 6	285 0
Towermen ..	286 0	276 0	246 0	293 0	284 6	308 0
Butchering (Carcass)—						
Chilling Room Hands ..	269/ to 274/	337 6	307 3	292/9 & 299/9	274 0	328 0
Labourers (Beef) ..	273 0	300 6	291 3	292 9	262 6	303 6
(Mutton) ..	265 0	300 6	298 1	292 9	262 6	305 6
Scalders ..	..	311 0	297 2	367 0	262 6	309 0
Slaughtermen (Beef) ..	355 0	372 6	(a)	367 0	291 6	361 0
.. (Mutton) ..	(a)	372 6	(a)	367 0	291 6	361 0

(a) Piece-work rates.

SECTION III.—continued.

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

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
Tailoring—Ready-made—	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
Cutters	294 0	294 0	294 0	294 0	294 0	294 0
Folders	264 0	264 0	264 0	264 0	264 0	264 0
Machinists	283 0	283 0	283 0	283 0	283 0	283 0
Pressers	283 0	283 0	283 0	283 0	283 0	283 0
Tailors	290 0	290 0	290 0	290 0	290 0	290 0
Trimmers	283 0	283 0	283 0	283 0	283 0	283 0
Textile-Working—Woollen Mills—						
Carders	265 0	265 0	243 0	258 0	265 0	265 0
Dyehousemen	270 0	270 0	248 0	263 0	270 0	270 0
Labourers—General	241 0	241 0	239 0	234 0	241 0	241 0
Pattern Weavers	276 0	276 0		273 0	276 0	276 0
Scourers (Wool)	270/ & 277/6	270/ & 277/6	245/ & 260/	263/ & 270/6	270/ & 277/6	270/ & 277/6
Spinners	265 0	265 0	243/ & 250/	258 0	265 0	265 0
Loom Timers	258/ to 288/	258/ to 288/	241/ to 268/	231/ to 281/	258/ to 288/	258/ to 288/

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

Industry and Occupation	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
Bookbinding—	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
Bookbinders	318 0	310 0	293 0	306 0	311 0	317 0
Finishers	318 0	310 0	293 0	306 0	311 0	317 0
Marblers	318 0	310 0	293 0	306 0	311 0	317 0
Paper Rulers	318 0	310 0	293 0	306 0	311 0	317 0
Engraving (Photo)(a)—						
Engravers	303 0	312 9	304 3	291 0	306 6	302 0
Etchers—Half-tone	307 6	322 9	311 3	295 6	306 6	306 6
Etchers—Line	303 0	312 9	304 3	291 0	301 6	302 0
Camera Operators	307 6	322 9	314 3	295 6	306 6	306 6
Photo Imposers	303 0	312 9	304 3	291 0	301 6	302 0
Routers	301 0	309 0	300 6	289 0	292 6	300 0
Lithographing—						
Printers	318 0	310 0	293 0	306 0	311 0	317 0
Rotary Machinists	318 0	310 0	293 0	306 0	311 0	317 0
Stone Polishers	271 0	263 0	246 0	259 0	264 0	270 0
Printing (Daily Newspapers)—						
Compositors (Machine)						
Day Work	377/6 to 395/	372 6	336/6 & 348/	358 6	343 7	369 6
Night Work	397/6 to 415/	397 6	346/6 & 368/	383 6	358 7	391 6
Linotype Attendants—						
Day Work	321/6 to 326/6	322/6 & 327/6	295/ & 299/	310 0	293 11	321 0
Night Work	341/6 to 346/6	347/6 & 352/6	305/ & 319/	335 0	310 11	346 0
Linotype Operators—						
Day Work	377/6 to 395/	372 6	320/ & 331/6	323 0	343 7	331 0
Night Work	397/6 to 415/	397 6	330/ & 351/6	348 0	358 7	359 0
Machinists (First Hand)—						
Day Work	341/6 to 349/	357 6	328/6 & 340/	343 6	330 10	354 6
Night Work	361/6 to 369/	382 6	338/6 & 360/	368 6	345 10	379 6
Publishing Hands—						
Day Work	316/6 to 326/6	309/ & 311/6	295/ & 299/	304 0	298 2	315 0
Night Work	336/6 to 346/6	334/ & 336/6	305/ & 319/	329 0	313 2	340 0
Readers—						
Day Work	349/6 to 359/6	358 0	320/ & 331/6	336 0	330 10	317 0
Night Work	369/6 to 379/6	383 0	330/ & 351/6	361 0	343 10	372 0
Readers' Assistants—						
Day Work	316/6 to 323/6	330 0	295/ & 306/6	301 0	295 11	312 0
Night Work	336/6 to 343/6	355 6	305/ & 326/6	326 0	310 11	337 0
Stereotypers (First Class)—						
Day Work	341/6 to 349/	353 0	315/ & 326/6	320 0	319 0	331 0
Night Work	361/6 to 369/	378 0	325/ & 346/6	345 0	334 0	356 0

(a) Other than in newspaper offices.

SECTION III.—continued.

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

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart
Printing (Job Offices)—						
Compositors ..	s. d. 318/ to 340/6	s. d. 310/ to 332 6	s. d. 293/ to 315/6	s. d. 306/ to 328/6	s. d. 311/ to 336/ 6	s. d. 317/ to 339/6
Electrotypers ..	318 0	310 0	293 0	306 0	311 0	317 0
General Hands ..	259 0	251 0	234 0	247 0	252 0	258 0
Linotype Operators ..	340 6	332 6	315 6	328 6	333 6	339 6
Machinists ..	318 0	310 0	293 0	306 0	311 0	317 0
Monotype Operators ..	340 6	332 6	315 6	328 0	333 6	339 6
Monotype Casting						
Machinists ..	318 0	310 0	293 6	306 0	311 0	317 0
Readers ..	325 6	317 6	300 6	313 6	318 6	324 6
Stereotypers ..	318 0	310 0	293 0	306 0	311 0	317 0

GROUP VI.—OTHER MANUFACTURING.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth	Hobart.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Brickmaking—						
Burners ..	273/ & 279/	275 0	243 0	267 6	273 6	282 9
Drivers, Motor (5 tons)	288 0	290 0	265 0	286 0	288 6	297 0
Drawers ..	295 6	274/6 to 277 0	240 6	272 6	276 6	282 9
Labourers ..	270 6	264 0	235 8	255 0	265 6	280 0
Machinemen ..	289 6	271 6	240 6	266 0	265 6	280 0
Pannmen ..	277/6 & 292/6	267/ & 271/6	240 6	273/6 & 276/6	265 6	280 0
Pitmen ..	290 0	289/6 & 295/6	237 6	280 0	265 6	280 0
Setters ..	295 6	274/6 & 287/	239 0	272 6	276 6	285/6 & 290/6
Wheelers ..	287 0	269 0	237 6	261 0	276 6	280 0
Brushmaking—						
Bass Broom Drawers	280 6	271 0	(a)	276 0	272 6	
Finishers ..	280 6	274 0	(a)	276 0	272 6	
Machinists—Boring ..	260 6	259 0	(a)	276 0	272 6	
Paint Brush Makers	288 0	280 3	(a)	276 0		
Candle Making—						
Acidifiers ..		281 6				
General Hands ..	267 0	257 0			257 6	
Glycerine Hand ..	279 3	281 6		277 6	260 0	
Moulders ..	279 3	267 6			267 6	
Stillmen ..	281 6	281 6				
Cardboard Box Making—						
Guillotine and other						
Cutters ..	274/6 to 296/9	266/6 to 288/9	256/6 & 263/6	262/6 to 284/9	267/6 to 289/9	276/3 to 295/9
Other Adults ..	259 0	251 0	241 0	247 0	252 0	258 0
Vehicle Building—						
Bodymakers, 1st Class	318 0	310 0	295 0	306 0	301 6	317 0
Labourers ..	246 0	238 0	242 6	234 0	246 6	245 0
Painters ..	271/6 to 310/	263/6 to 302/	289 6	259/6 to 298/	296 6	270/6 to 309/6
Smiths ..	320 6	312 6	296 6	308 6	301 6	319 6
Trimmers ..	293/ & 310/6	285/ & 302/6	289 6	287/ & 298/6	296 6	292/ & 309/6
Wheelmaking Machinists	318 0	310 0	289 6	306 0	296 6	317 0
Wheelwrights ..	318 0	310 0	289 6	306 0	296 6	317 0
Fellmongering—						
Bate Hands ..	268 0	261 0	245 0	257 0	261 6	264 0
Green Hands ..	268 0	261 0	245 0	257 0	261/6 & 265/3	264 0
Limepit Men ..	268 0	261 0	245 0	257 0	261 6	264 0
Machinists ..	268/ to 276/6	261/ to 269/6	245/ to 253/6	257/ to 265/6	261/6 to 265/3	264/ to 272/6
Soakhole Men ..	271 0	264 0	248 0	260 0	265 3	267 0
Wool Sorters ..	286/6 & 306/6	279/6 & 299/6	263/6 & 283/6	275/6 & 295/6	277 9	282/6 & 302/6

(a) Piece-work rates.

SECTION III.—continued.

GROUP VI.—OTHER MANUFACTURING—continued.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
Gas Making and Supply—	<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 ..	271 0	355 0	..	255 0	263 6	263 0
Gas Fitters ..	332 0	314 6	299 9	320 0	302 6	309 6
Labourers ..	258 0	249 0	241 0	246 0	263 6	257 0
Mainlayers ..	289 6	276 6	259 6	279 6	283 6	234 6
Motermakers ..	293 0	304 0	295 0	312/ to 314/10	296/6 & 301/6	317 0
Meter Testers ..	272/ & 294/	284 0	264 0	282 0	304 6	287 0
Service Layers ..	299 0	276 6	259 6	279 6	283 6	284 6
Stokers ..	289 0	274/ & 286/6	268 0	277 0	285 6	282/ & 294/
Glassfounding—						
Furnacemen ..	284 6	270/6 to 285/6	253/6 to 268/6	266/6 to 281/6	271/6 to 286/6	277/6 to 292/6
Labourers ..	256 0	254 0	237 0	250 0	255 0	261 0
Lehr Attendants ..	266 0	262 0	245 0	258 0	263 0	269 0
Sorters ..	267 0	259/6 & 266/	242/6 & 249/	255/6 & 262/	260/6 & 267/	266/6 & 273/
Glass Working and Glazing						
Bevellers ..	300 6	290 0	290 6	286 0	288 0	297 0
Cutters and Glaziers ..	293 0	290 0	290 6	286 0	283/6 & 289/6	297 0
Lead Light Glaziers ..	293 0	290 0	299 9	286 0	288 0	297 0
Silverers ..	300 6	290 0	290 6	286 0	288 0	297 0
Jewellery, Clock and Watch Making—						
Chainmakers ..	293 0	309 0	267 6	283 6	294 0	..
Engravers ..	301 0	302 0	267/6 & 273/	285 6	294 0	..
Mounters ..	276/ to 301/	284/ to 324/	267/6 & 273/	291 6	294 0	..
Setters ..	293/ to 301/	296/6 to 324/	..	291 6	294 0	..
Watch and Clock Makers and Repairers	308 0	263/ & 289/	280 6	289/ & 291/6	296 6	277/ & 307/
Masonry—Marble and Stone—						
Carvers ..	335 4	304 9	306 8	305 0	298 6	..
Machinists—Carborundum ..	322 0	274/6 & 285/6	300 0	265/6 & 276/	271 6	..
Other ..	322 0	274/6 & 285/6	300 0	265/6 & 276/	269 6	..
Masons ..	322 0	293 6	300 0	284 0	298 6	287 0
Paper Bag Making—						
Guillotine Cutters ..	286 0	278 9	261 0	274 9	279 9	285 9
Machinists ..	286/9 & 301/9	278/9 & 293/9	261/9 & 276/9	274/9 & 289/9	279/9 & 294/9	285/9 & 300/9
Paper Making—						
Bestermen ..	333 0	323/ & 325/	..	327 0	..	338 6
Breakermen ..	295 6	287 6	..	283 6	..	..
Guillotine Men ..	299 6	291 6	..	..	..	298 0
Machinemcn ..	345 6	331/6 & 346/	246 6	342 0	..	338/6 to 369/
Bagboltermen ..	294 6	285 0	..	..	..	..
Other Adults ..	280 0	272 0	243 6	270 0	..	271 0
Potteries—General—						
Burners—Head ..	276 0	265 0	251 6	260/6 & 263/6	271 6	278 0
Hollow-ware Pressers ..	289 9	258 0	243 0	253 0	..	288 0
Sanitary Pressers ..	289 9	259 0	243 0	253 0	260/ & 268/	288 6
Throwers—1st Class ..	290/9 & 294/	253/ to 267/	254 0	272/ & 287/	..	291 0
Potteries—Plenamaking—						
Burners—Head ..	279 0	265 0	250 6	272 6	274 0	278 0
Drawers ..	..	256 0	..	262 6	270 6	..
Moulders ..	263 6	..	..	272 6	273 0	275 6
Mould Makers ..	..	267 0	243 0	..	270 6	..
Setters ..	280 6	262 0	239 0	268/6 & 272/6	270 6	278 0
Quarrying—						
Borens—Hand or Machine ..	288/11 & 294/5	279 0	240 2	..	..	271 0
Dressers ..	304 2	280 6	243 10	..	..	..
Facemen ..	293 6	283 6	..	..	..	271 0
Hammermen ..	288 11	294 6	240 2	274 0	260 0	271 0
Crusher Feeders ..	295 4	286 6	235/7 & 239/8	267 6	268 6	277 0
Quarrymen ..	304 2	..	243 10	..	..	278 6

(d) Paper board.

SECTION III.—continued.

GROUP VI.—OTHER MANUFACTURING—continued.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Rubber Working—						
Calendar Hands ..	298/ & 310/6	290/ & 302/6	249 0	281 0	291/ & 303/6	..
Cycle Tyre Makers ..	260 0	252 0	251 0	..	253 0	270 6
Dough Mixers ..	260 0	252 0	242 6	252 6	253 0	..
Hosemakers ..	262/ & 275/6	254/ & 267/6	242 6	..	251/ & 268/6	..
Mechanical Lathe Hands ..	262/ & 269/	254/ & 261/	242 6	251 6	255/ & 262/	..
Mill Hands ..	260/ & 275/6	252/ & 267/6	242 6	264 0	253/ & 268/6	..
Spreaders ..	263/ & 275/6	255/ & 267/6	242/6 & 245/	..	256/ & 268/6	..
Surgical, Packing, and other Makers ..	262/ & 280/6	254/ & 272/6	238/ & 242/6	..	255/ & 273/6	..
Tyre Moulders ..	260/ & 269/	252/ & 261/	251 0	..	253/ & 262/	270 6
Leather and Canvas Work—						
Canvas Workers ..	283 0	275 0	258 0	271 0	282 6	282 0
Leather Workers ..	298 0	290 0	273 0	286 0	282 6	297 0
Saltmaking—						
Saltmakers ..	295 0	287 0	270 0	283 0	..	294 0
Shipbuilding(a)—						
Carpenters and Joiners	313 0	313 0	313 0	313 0	313 0	313 0
Dockers ..	259/ & 271/	259/ & 271/	259/ & 274/	259/ & 274/	259/ & 274/	259/ & 271/
Painters ..	259/ & 274/	259/ & 274/	259/ & 271/	259/ & 274/	259/ & 274/	259/ & 274/
Shipwrights ..	296 6	296 6	296 6	296 6	296 6	296 6
Soap Making—						
General Hands ..	267 0	257 0	248 6	253 0	257 6	253 0
Mixers ..	271/ & 279/3	265/ & 277/6	248 6	260/ & 266/	255 0	253 0
Soap Makers ..	305 0	289 0	285 0	285 0	262 0	273 0
Tanning and Currying—						
Beansmen ..	290 6	282 6	265 6	278 6	283 6	289 6
Curriers ..	306 6	298 6	281 6	294 6	299 6	305 6
Japanners or Enam- ellers ..	290 0	282 0	265 0	278 0	283 0	289 0
Limemen ..	288 6	280 6	263 6	276 6	281 6	287 6
Machinists—						
Fleshing ..	295 6	287 6	270 6	283 6	288 6	294 6
Scouring ..	281 6	273 6	256 6	269 6	274 6	280 6
Splitting ..	297/6 & 304/6	289/6 & 296/6	272/6 & 279/6	285/6 & 292/6	290/6 & 297/6	296/6 & 303/6
Unhairing ..	290 6	282 6	265 6	278 6	283 6	289 6
Rollers and Strikers ..	280/6 & 291/6	281/ & 283/6	264/ & 266/6	277/ & 279/6	282/ & 281/6	288/ & 290/6
Tablemen ..	284/6 & 291/6	277/6 & 283/6	260/6 & 266/6	273/6 & 279/6	278/6 & 281/6	284/6 & 290/6
Tent and Tarpaulin Making—						
Cutters ..	283 0	275 0	258 0	271 0	..	282 0
Machinists ..	283 0	275 0	258 0	271 0	260 6	282 0
Sewers—Hand ..	283 0	275 0	258 0	271 0	260 6	282 0
Tent Makers ..	283 0	275 0	258 0	271 0	260 0	282 0

(a) Permanent rates.

GROUP VII.—BUILDING.

Industry and Occupation	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
Building(a)—	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Bricklayers—						
Sewer and Tunnel Surface ..	346 8	355 10	314 0	346 8	340 5	352 6
..	333 4	345 0	306 6	341 8	327 1	352 6
Builders' Labourers ..	295 10	282 6	276 6	277 6	276 6	259 2
Carpenters ..	338 4	315 10	310 3	342 6	330 1	355 6
Lathers ..	338 4	345 10	307 3	342 6	328 7	352 6
Metal Ceilings ..	338 4	315 10	310 3	342 6	330 1	355 6
Masons ..	322 0	315 0	300 0	341 9	323 1	352 6
Painters, Paperhangers	321 8	317 6	306 6	325 3	326 4	352 6
Signwriters ..	334 2	317 6	308 0	325 3	326 4	352 6

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

SECTION III.—continued.
GROUP VII.—BUILDING—continued.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart
Building(a)—continued.	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
Plasterers—						
Sewer or Tunnel ..	344 2	317 2	315/ & 318/9	348 4	341 11	352 6
Surface ..	330 10	320 0	307 6	343 4	338 7	352 6
Plumbers, Gasfitters ..	330 9	345 0	307 6	308 0	329 7	325 0
Slaters ..	330 0	315 0	306 6	..	292 6	..
Tilers (Roof) ..	330 0	345 0	306 6	284 6	292 6	..
Tuckpointers ..	333 4	345 0	306 6	341 8	..	352 6
Water Supply and Sewerage—						
Concrete Workers ..	289/11 to 279/1	264/ & 271/6	251/ to 270/6	219/ & 252/	258/6 to 270/6	266/ & 269/
Labourers ..	283/9 to 294/6	259 0	242/ to 257/11	231 0	252 6	257 0
Miners—Sewer ..	*295/10 to 314/9	269/ & 274/	270/6 & 275/6	259 0	260/ to 276/6	266/ & 278/
Pipe-jointers and Setters ..	291/6 & 299/9	274 0	247 6	252/ to 264/	270/6 & 281/6	269 0

(a) See note at foot of previous page.

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>
Coal-mining—						
Blacksmiths ..	301 3	291 6	276/3 to 292/3	..	318 0	300 3
Bracemen ..	297 1	277 6	272/1 to 284/1	..	..	282 5
Carpenters ..	305 0	295 0	280/ to 296/	..	..	304 0
Deputies ..	345 8	331 8	320/8 to 330/8	..	*381 5	321 6
Engine Drivers—						
Locomotive ..	305/ & 351/6	..	302/6 to 318/6	..	..	292/4 & 326/
Stationary ..	292/6 to 322/6	289/1 & 292/1	268/ to 291/5	..	*291/4 & 298/3	284/5 to 299/
Winding ..	357 0	311 0	302/ to 323/	..	*326 8	331 0
Labourers—						
Surface ..	282 6	276/7 to 281/3	258/1 to 271/1	..	*278 2	282 5
Underground ..	285 5	274/7 to 282/1	258/1 to 274/1	..	*287 11	282 5
Miners—						
Machine ..	(a)304/7 & 326/3	(b)	301/3 to 317/3	..	*303 7 to 338/10	326 7
Manual—Dry Work ..	(a) 304 7	(a) 287 6	(a)279 7 to 295/6	..	*303 7	..
Platmen or Banksmen	282/6 & 302/1	291 3	..	..	..	..
Shiftmen—						
Dry Work ..	304 7	291 3	279/7 to 295/7	..	*303 7	296 2
Wet Work ..	317 1	303 9	292/1 to 308/1	..	..	308 8
Shotfirers ..	335/1 & 340/8	326 1	310/1 to 326/1	..	*328 6	331 1
Timbermen ..	304 7	291 3	279/7 to 285/7	..	*303 7	296 2
Weightmen ..	286 8	288 7	304 0	..	*313 5	291 2
Whealers ..	286/3 & 288/9	282/11 & 292/6	261/6 to 277/6	..	*291 2	285 3
Gold and Other Mining (except Coal)—						
Battery Feeders ..	271/ to 283/	248/ & 261/	241/ 4	264 0	(c) 306 8	250/ to 270/
Bracemen ..	273/ to 279/	258/ & 271/	246/10 & 252/6	257 0	*301 6	266/ to 280/

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

(b) Piece-work rates. (c) Excludes district allowances.

SECTION III.—continued.

GROUP VIII.—MINING—continued.

Industry and Occupation.	N S W.	Victoria.	Queensland	S. Aust	W. Aust.	Tasmania.
Gold and Other Mining (except Coal)—contd.	<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 ..	255/ to 291/	265/ to 279/6	234/ to 284/	..	307/11 to 317/1	..
Winding and Loco.	261/ to 300/	284/6 to 293/6	279/ to 284/	260 0	320/ to 358/4	271/ to 282/
Firemen	250/6 to 267/	260/ to 268/	262 0	..	298/4 to 307/1	..
Labourers, Under-ground ..	266/ to 272/	253/ to 266/	241 4	254 9	292 11	264/ to 275/
Miners—						
Machine	286/ to 301/	264/ to 297/	246/10 & 255/	..	307/11 to 319/2	275/ to 306/
Manual—						
Dry Work	283/ to 292/	272/ to 291/	246 10	266/ & 271/	301/8 to 311/8	283/ to 300/
Wet Work	290/6 to 299/6	284/6 to 303/6	254 4	273/6 & 278/6	310/8 to 320/8	295/6 to 312/6
Platmen	273/ to 279/	258/ to 271/	246 10	259 0	301 8	269/ to 280/
Shaft Sinkers—						
Dry Work	286/ to 298/	278/ to 297/	246 10	271 0	311/8 to 319/2	289/ to 306/
Wet Work	293/6 to 305/6	290/6 to 309/6	254 4	278 6	320/8 to 328/2	301/6 to 318/6
Timbermen	284/ to 295/	275/ to 293/	255 0	267/ & 272/	311/8 to 319/2	286/ to 302/

(a) Excludes district allowances.

GROUP IX.—RAILWAY AND TRAMWAY TRANSPORT.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
Railways—	<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 (Loco.)—						
Locomotor	317/ to 354/6	309/ to 346/6	321 1	305/ to 342/6	296/6 to 330/6	317/ to 354/6
Steam, Diesel Electric or Electric ..	365/ & 377/	355/ & 370/	321 1	380 0	296/6 to 330/6	392 0
Express, Mail or Passenger	392 0	385 0	321 1	380 0	339 6	392 0
Shunting Engine	317/ & 332/	302/6 & 311/6	296/5 & 304/1	297/6 & 306/6	290/6 & 297/	309/6 & 318/6
Firemen—						
Ordinary	279/6 & 294/6	272/6 & 287/6	266 4	267/6 & 282/6	270/6 to 280/6	279/6 & 294/6
Express, Mail or Passenger	302 0	295 0	266 4	290 0	289 6	302 0
Shunting Engine	266/ to 275/6	252/6 to 267/6	262 6	248/6 to 266/6	264/6 to 273/6	266/6 to 278/6
Guards—						
1st Class	302/ to 320/	328 0	306 9	323 0	323 6	323 6
2nd Class	296 0	291/ to 313/	299 10	297/6 & 308/6	314 0	298/ to 320/
3rd Class, etc. ..	..	..	288 0	281/ & 290/	299 0	..
Porters	259/ to 268/	252/6 to 283/	250/10 & 254/9	247/ & 271/	246/6 to 268/	263/6 to 302/
Shunters—						
Head	354/6 to 380/	..	298/9 to 314/7	..	299/ to 313/6	..
Lending	312/6 to 338/6	305/6 to 342/6	269 7	300/6 & 307/6	..	311/ & 317/
Ordinary	275/ to 295/	268/ to 288/	266 7	290 0	280/ & 284/	275/ to 295/
Signalmen—						
Special	369 6	350 6	297/4 & 310/2	313/ & 338/	331 6	..
1st Class	358 6	324 0	292 4	308 0	306 0	..
2nd Class	343 6	307 0	283 6	293 0	294 6	284/ to 305/
3rd Class	332 0	294 0	276 6	278 0	280 0	..
4th Class, etc. ..	274/6 to 315/	282 0	270 9	271 0	263 6	..

SECTION III.—continued.

GROUP LX.—RAILWAY AND TRAMWAY TRANSPORT—continued.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
Tramways (Electric)—						
Car Washers or						
Cleaners ..	264 0	257 0	239 7	248/ & 251/	254 6	261 0
Conductors—						
1st Year ..	261 0	257 0	238/6 & 241/6	253 6	258/6 & 273/6	263 0
2nd Year	270 0	263 0	241/6 & 245/	268 6	273 6	274 6
3rd Year, etc	270 0	263 0	245/ & 251/	268 6	273 6	274 6
Labourers	258 6	251 0	242 0	246/ & 249/	246 6	257 0
Track Repairers	266/ & 269/	260 0	236/ to 248 8	251/ & 254/	261 6	265 0
Motormen—						
1st Year ..	273 0	257 0	238 6 & 241/6	276 0	273 6	282 0
2nd Year	273 0	263 0	241/6 & 245/	276 0	273 6	282 0
3rd Year, etc	273 0	263 0	245/ & 251/	276 0	273 6	282 0
Overhead Linesmen—						
Leading ..	343 0	306/6 to 316/6	310 0	313 6	319/ & 349/	332 0
Other ..	320 6	291 6	295 0	298 6	304 0	317 0
Pitmen ..	290 6	271 0	254/ & 257/	258/ to 265/	273 6	277 0
Signalmen ..	288/ & 297/	266/ & 274/	247/ & 251/	278 6	273 6	277 0
Track Cleaners ..	255 6	257 0	234 0	246/ & 249/	256/6 & 270/6	261 0

GROUP X—OTHER TRANSPORT.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
Carrying—Merchandise—						
Carters—						
One Horse ..	274 0	258 6	248 0	254 6	270 0	265 6
Two Horses ..	279 0	271 0	253 0	267 0	278 0	278 0
Drivers of Motor Vehicles—						
25 cwt. or less	276 c(a)	271 0	250 c(a)	267 0	278 0	278 0
Over 25 cwt. to 3 tons	281/ & 286/ (b)	280 6	254/ & 258/ (b)	276 6	284 0	287 6
Over 3 tons but under 6 tons	290/ to 298/	290 0	262/ & 266/	286 0	288 6	297 0
Motor Driver's Assistants ..	276 0	249 0	243 0	245 0	260 6	256 0
Loaders ..	289 6	262 0	243 0	258 0	260 6	269 0
Stablmenn ..	273 6	253 0	241 0	249 0	264 6	260 0
Sanitary Carters (3 tons)	347 0	300 6	262 6	276 6	299 0	307 6
Lift Attendants—						
Passenger ..	264 0	264 0	236/ & 238/	251 6	257 0	..

(a) 20 cwt. or less.

(b) Over 20 cwt. to 3 tons.

SECTION III.—continued.

GROUP XI.—SHIPPING, WHARF LABOUR, ETC.

Industry and Occupation.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Queensland.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.
	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
Waterside Working—						
Wharf Labourers per hour a	8 10	8 10	8/10 to 9/3	8 10	8 10	8 10
Passenger Vessels—Interstate b—			£	s.	d.	
Bakers per month			51/13/6	to	58/6/0(c)	
Barmen "			51/13/6(d)			
Butchers "			52/16/0	to	57/1/0(c)	
Cooks—						
Chief "			60/18/6	&	63/1/0(c)	
Second "			56/1/0	&	59/18/6(c)	
Third "			51/13/6(e)			
Ships "			54/18/6(c)			
Pantrymen "			52/16/0	&	53/6/0(c)	
Soullerymen "			50/6/0(b)			
Stewards—						
Chief Saloon "			64/11/0	to	72/11/0(d)	
Second "			55/11/0(d)			
Second Saloon "			53/18/6(d)			
Fore Cabin "			53/6/0(d)			
Bedroom and Other "			51/1/0	to	52/3/6(d)	
All Vessels—Interstate c—						
A.B. Seamen per month			54/8/6			
Boatwains "			55/8/6			
Donkeymen "			56/8/6			
Firemen "			55/8/6			
Greasers "			55/8/6			
Lamp Trimmers "			55/8/6			
Fuel Trimmers "			53/8/6			
Marine Engineers d e f—						
Chief per month			100 N.H.P. and under			
Second "			71/19/0 to 75/19/0			
Third "			67/0/0			
Fourth "			63/3/0			
Fifth and under "			..			
			Vessels (Steam)			
			Over 100 N.H.P.			
			78/2/0 to 105/13/0			
			67/0/0 to 78/0/0			
			63/3/0 to 70/8/0			
			59/11/6 to 66/16/0			
			58/19/6			
			Seagoing			
			Passenger Vessels.			
			Under 125 tons.	Over 10,000 tons.		
			72/14/6	753/10/0		
			Seagoing			
			Cargo Vessels.			
			Under 60 tons.	Over 10,000 tons		
			66/6/6	121/12/0		
Merchant Service d f g—						
Masters per month			64/15/6	78/0/0	61/15/6	73/10/0
Officers—			61/13/6	72/18/0	59/3/6	69/8/0
Chief "			67/6/0	..	..	64/6/0
Second "			..	58/19/6	..	58/19/6
Third "			..	..	..	..
4th, 5th and 6th "			..	..	..	..

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

GROUP XII.—PASTORAL, AGRICULTURAL, ETC.

Industry and Occupation.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Queensland.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.
	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
Farming—						
Harvesters	373 0	..	..	..	..	259 0
Milkers	268 0	264 0	..	..	..	259 0
Chaffcutting—						
Feeders (Travelling plant)	283 0	264 6	..	250 0	289 6	366 0
Feeders (Stationary mill)	283 0	258 6	..	250 0	289 6	366 0

SECTION III.—continued.

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

Industry and Occupation.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Queensland.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.
Gardening—	<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	288 0	262 0	239 0	253 0	260 6	266 0
Gardeners' Labourers ..	278 0	257 0	231 6	245 0	254 6	260 0
Nurserymen	293 0	259/6 & 270/	239 0	264 0	264 6	282 0
Nurserymen's Labourers ..	278 0	243 0	231 6	245 0	254 6	251 0
Pastoral Workers(a)—						
Cooks	584 10	584 10	615/10 & 636/9	584 10	576 4	584 10
Shearers—						
Hand .. per 100	157 0	157 0	149 6	157 0	143 0	156/6
Machine	146 0	146 0	149 6	146 0	133 0	145/6
Shed Hands	408 8	408 8	437 17	408 8	431 6	408 8
Wool Pressers	441 10	441 10	497 4	441 10	484 0	441 10
Rural Workers—						
Fruit Harvesters	4245/ to 254/	4243/ to 246/		4241/ to 246/		4250/ & 251/

(a) Shearers' and woolpressers' hours are 40 per week; shed hands' hours are the same as shearers', with such additional time as may be necessary to finish picking up fleeces, etc. Should the time engaged picking up, etc., exceed 30 minutes per day, all time thereafter must be paid as overtime. The hours of cooks are not regulated. Rates shown are "not found" rates. "Found" rates are 50s. per week less except in Queensland where they are 80s. 5d. per week less.

GROUP XIII.—DOMESTIC, HOTELS, ETC.

NOTE.—The rates of wage specified for employees in Hotels and Restaurants represent the weekly cash payment where board and lodging are not provided.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
Hairdressing—						
Hairdressers (Men's) ..	283/ to 293/	273 0	256/6 & 264/	284 0	286 6	289 0
Hotels—						
Barmen	273 0	265 0	251 0	267 0	276 6	270 0
Billiard Markers	263 0	255 0	239 0	236 0	251 6	260 0
Chefs	279/ to 313/	271/ to 303/	263/ & 269/	266/ to 300/6	281/6 to 291/6	276/ to 310/
Cooks—Second	273/ to 295/6	265/ to 287/6	254 0	265/ to 281/	264/ to 271/6	270/ to 292/6
Cooks—Third	273 0	265 0	254 0	261 0	261 0	270 0
Handymen	263 0	255 0	239 0	234 6	246 6	260 0
Kitchenmen	263 0	255 0	241 6	236 0	251 6	260 0
Lift Attendants	263 0	255 0	236 0	231 6	246 6	260 0
Porters—Day Work	263 0	255 0	239 0	238 0	256 6	260 0
Porters—Night Work	263 0	255 0	246 0	238 0	261 6	260 0
Waiters—Head	273 0	265 0	244 0	250/6 & 251/6	..	270 0
Waiters—Other	263 0	255 0	239 0	244 0	256 6	260 0
Restaurants—						
Cooks (Single)	282 0	267 0	250 6	258 6	272 0	272 0
Pantrymen	258 6	251 0	235 6	234 6	255 0	255 6
Waiters	258/6 & 261/	251 0	235 6	241 0	252 0	256 6

GROUP XIV.—MISCELLANEOUS AND GENERAL LABOUR.

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>
Factory Engine Driving—						
Engine Drivers (Stationary)—					(a)	
1st Class	280/ & 286 6	272/ & 278/6	274 0	268/ & 274/6	277 4	279/ & 285/6
2nd Class	275/ & 280/	267/ & 272/	262 0	263/ & 268/	277 4	271/ & 279/
3rd Class .. .. .	..	..	256 0	..	272 4	..
Firemen—						
1st Class	275 0	267 0	252 0	263 0	272 4	274 0
2nd Class	270 0	262 0		258 0	267 4	260 0
Greasers	266/ & 275/	255/ & 267/	248 0	254/ & 263/	262 6	265/ & 274/
Trimmers	262 0	254 0	244 0	250 0	259 4	261 0

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

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

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Municipal—						
Labourers	(a) 306 0	263 6	242 0	236 0	249 0	257 0
Street Sweepers	(a) 312 0	269 0	242 0	243/ & 248/	249/ to 255/6	280 0
Shop and other Assistants—						
Boot Salesmen	285 0	271 0	265 0	266 0	279 0	279 6
Chemists' Assistants	324 0	322 6	302 6	278 0	270/10 & 281/9	327 6
Clerks	200 0	281 6	270 0	269 6	283 6	293 0
Drapery Salesmen	285 0	271 0	265 0	266 0	279 0	279 6
Furniture Salesmen	285 0	271 0	265 0	266 0	279 0	291 0
Grocery Salesmen	285 0	267 0	265 0	261 0	279 0	280 6
Hardware Salesmen	285 0	271 0	265 0	266 0	279 0	286 0
Railway Bookstall Assistants	295 0	261 6	265 0	266 0	279 0	286 0
Tobaccoists' Assts.	285 0	271 0	265 0	260 0	279 0	272 0
Storemen—Packing, Cleaning, &c.—						
Night Watchmen	279 0	254 0	239 0	213 6	274 0	.
Office Cleaners (Day)	271/ & 275/	251 0	236 0	231 0	262 6	260 0
Packers—General	275/6 & 278/6	264 0	247 0	257 0	274 0	268 0
Storemen—General	271/ & 276/6	264 0	247 0	257 0	274 0	268 0
Wholesale Grocery—						
Packers	273 0	267/ & 269/6	247 0	257 0	274 0	268 0
Storemen	270 0	267/ & 269/6	247 0	257 0	274 0	268 0
Wholesale Hardware—						
Packers	273/ & 276/	264 0	247 0	257 0	274 0	268 0
Storemen	270/ & 273/	264 0	247 0	257 0	274 0	268 0

(a) Not comparable with previous years.

SECTION IV.

Minimum Rates of Wage for Adult Female Workers in the Main Occupations in the Capital City of Each State for a Full Week's Work (excluding Overtime) at 31st December, 1954.

(See Explanatory Note at top of page 151.)

NOTE.—The hours of work (constituting a full week's work) for all occupations shown hereunder are 40 per week.

GROUP III.—FOOD, DRINK, TOBACCO, ETC.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
Biscuit Making—						
Adult Females ..	s. d. 184 0	s. d. 195 3	s. d. 178 10	s. d. 200 3	s. d. 165 3	s. d. 184 6
Confectionery—						
Adult Females ..	195 0	189 9	160 6	200 3	163 10	195 0
Jam Making and Preserving—						
Fillers ..	202 9	202 9	} 181 11 {	202 9	} 171 10 {	202 9
Other Adults ..	193 9	193 9		193 9		193 9
Tea Packing—						
Head Women ..	..	204 6	182/1 to 198/1	..	..	..
Other Adults ..	182 0	187 0	177 1	186 3	160 3	..
Tobacco Working (Cigars)—						
Ringers ..	193 0	175 6	} 159/ to 174/6 {	..	} 167 9 {	..
Wrapper Leaf Strippers	187/ & 197/	183 0		174/6		..

GROUP IV.—CLOTHING, TEXTILES, ETC.

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
Bootmaking—						
Machinists—Wax Thread	s. d. 200/ & 202 6	s. d. 200/ & 202/6	s. d. 200/ & 202/6	s. d. 200/ & 202/6	s. d. 200/ & 202/6	s. d. 200/ & 202/6
Other Adults ..	195 0	195 0	195 0	195 0	195 0	195 0
Dressmaking—						
Adult Females ..	183/ to 213/	183/ to 213/	183/ to 213/	183/ to 213/	183/ to 213/	183/ to 213/
Dyeing and Cleaning—						
Adult Females ..	183 0	183 0	183 0	183 0	183 0	183 0
Hat Making (Straw)—						
Finishers & Machinists	198 0	198 0	198 0	198 0	198 0	198 0
Millinery—						
Adult Females ..	183 0	183 0	183 0	183 0	183 0	183 0
Shirt Making—						
Adult Females ..	183 0	183 0	183 0	183 0	183 0	183 0
Men's Tailoring (Order)—						
Coat Hands (Machinists)	213 0	213 0	213 0	213 0	213 0	213 0
Trousers, Vest Hands	200 6	200 6	200 6	200 6	200 6	200 6
Tailoresses ..	229 0	229 0	229 0	229 0	229 0	229 0
Adult Females ..	183 0	183 0	183 0	183 0	183 0	183 0
Men's Tailoring (Ready Made)—						
Coat Hands (Machinists)	203 0	203 0	203 0	203 0	203 0	203 0
Trousers, Vest Hands	198 0	198 0	198 0	198 0	198 0	198 0
Adult Females ..	183 0	183 0	183 0	183 0	183 0	183 0
Textile Working (Woolen Mills)—						
Comb Minders ..	194 0	194 0	} 177 0 {	188 6	194 0	194 0
Barners and Menders	196/ & 199/	196/ & 199/		190/6 & 193/6	196/ & 199/	196/ & 199/
Warpers, Plain ..	196 0	196 0	190 6	196 0	196 0	
Weavers—Loom ..	199 0	199 0	193 6	199 0	199 0	
Other Adults ..	181 0	181 0	175 6	181 0	181 0	
Underclothing—						
Adult Females ..	183/ to 213/	183/ to 213/	183/ to 213/	183/ to 213/	183/ to 213/	183/ to 213/

SECTION IV.—continued.

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

Industry and Occupation.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
Bedding and Furniture—	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
Bedding Machinists ..	185 6	196 0	173 2	193 0	172 10	201 6
Picture Frame Workers	190/6 & 277/	183 6	208/7 & 255/9	180 6	172 10	189 0
Bookbinding						
Folders and Sewers ..	206 0	200 0	187 6	197 0	201 0	205 6
Brushmaking—						
Adult Females ..	183/6 & 193/6	180/ & 182/	153 0	184/9 to 191/9	160 3	..
Candle and Soap Making—						
Adult Females ..	182 0	192 3	186 4	189 3	160 3	189 9
Cardboard Box Making—						
Box Makers ..	201/ to 210/6	195/ to 204/6	184/6 to 194/	192/ to 201/6	196/ to 205/6	200/6 to 210/
Other Adults ..	194 6	188 6	178 0	185 6	189 6	194 0
Jewellery—						
Chafinmakers ..	293 0	191 6	178 6	220 2	..	..
Gilders ..	195 6	191 6	168 6	214 0	161 10	..
Polishers ..	195 6	191 6	168 6	214 0	161 10	..
Scratch Brushers ..	195 6	191 6	168 6	214 0	..	..
Leather Goods—						
Adult Females ..	204 6	192 0	188 9	193 3	176 3	197 6
Paper Making—						
Adult Females ..	199 6	193 6	(a) 165 0	..	..	199 0
Paper Bag Making—						
Adult Females ..	194/6 to 204/	188/6 to 198/	176/ to 185/6	185/6 to 195/	189/6 to 199/	194/ to 203/6
Potteries—						
Adult Females ..	182 0	175 6	158 0	..	160 3	..
Printing—						
Jobbing Office Assis- tants ..	206 0	200 0	187 6	197 0	201 0	205 6
Lithographic Feeders	206 0	200 0	187 6	197 0	201 0	205 6
Rubber Working—						
Adult Females ..	190 0	184 0	169 6	194 6	..	..
Tent and Tarpaulin Making—						
Machinists ..	198 0	196 3	188 9	193 3	165 3	197 6

(a) Paper board making.

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.
Hotels—	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
Barmaids ..	212 0	205 0	187 0	..	276 6	210 0
Housemaids ..	199 0	193 6	167 6	189 6	180 4	197 0
Laundresses ..	200 0	194 6	173 6	196 0	180 4	198 0
Waitresses—Head	206 0	200 6	172 6	194 6	..	204 0
Other ..	199 0	193 6	167 6	189 6	180 4	197 0
Laundries—						
General Hands	182 0	177 0	..	197 0	..	174 0
Machinists—Shirt and Collar ..	183 6	184 0	163 6	204 0	161 10	174 0
Sorters ..	183 6	177 0	163 6	204 0	161 10	174 0
Starchers ..	182 0	184 0	163 6	200 0	161 10	174 0
Washers ..	182 0	184/ & 236/	163 6	200/ & 234/6	161 10	185/ & 195/
Office Cleaning (Day)—						
Adult Females ..	191/ & 199/	234 0	171 0	173 0	176 3	..
Restaurants—						
Pantry Maids	182 0	184 6	161 6	187 6	177 9	195 0
Waitresses ..	182 0	184 6	161 6	189 0	180 3	191 6

SECTION IV.—*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>
Clerical—						
Cashiers (Shops) ..	204 0	203 6	194 0	199 3	192 4	200 0
Clerks ..	207 0	203 6	194 0	199 3	192 4	200 0
Ledger Machinists ..	213 6	209 3	201 6	207 0	198 4	206 0
Stenographers ..	213 6	209 3	194 0	207 0	198 4	206 0
Typists ..	207 0	209 3	194 0	207 0	192 4	200 0
Saleswomen—						
Boots and Shoes ..	204/ & 285/	191 0	180 0	199 3	186 9	185/6 to 251/7
Drapery ..	204/ & 285/	191/ & 271/6	180/ & 265/	199/3 & 266/	186 9	185/6 to 251/7
Fruit and Confectionery	204 0	187 0	180 0	196 3	186 9	181 6
Newsagent and Book- stall ..	204 0	176/ & 180/	180 0	199 3	186 9	183/6 to 193/6
Tobacconists ..	204 0	203 0	180 0	198 3	186 9	181 6

SECTION V.

Weekly Rates of Wage and Hours of Labour : Australia, the United Kingdom and New Zealand.

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

Industry and Occupation.	AUSTRALIA (SYDNEY).				UNITED KINGDOM (LONDON).				NEW ZEALAND (AUCKLAND).			
	31st December, 1938.		31st December, 1954.		31st December, 1938.		31st December, 1954.		31st December, 1938.		31st December, 1954.	
	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.
	<i>s. d.</i>		<i>s. d.</i>		<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	
Furniture—												
Cabinet Maker	107 0	44	293 0	40	82 3	47	174 2	44	110 0	40	233 1	40
Upholsterer	107 0	44	293 0	40	82 3	47	174 2	44	110 0	40	..	40
French Polisher	107 0	44	293 0	40	82 3	47	174 2	44	110 0	40	..	40
Sawmilling—												
Machinist, Planing	91 0 and 100 0	44	274 6 and 292 0	40	..	..	..	..	103 4	40	236 4	40
Machinist, Shaping	105 0	44	292 0	40	..	..	..	..	103 4	40	236 4	40
Sawyer, Band or Jig	95 0 to 108 0	44	274 0 to 295 0	40	..	..	..	..	96 8	40	221 4	40
Sawyer, Circular	95 0 to 102 0	44	275 0 and 290 0	40	..	..	..	..	112 6	40	245 9	40
Engineering and Metal Working—												
Fitter and Turner	108 0 and 112 0	44	318 0	40	70 11	47	149 5½	44	110 0	40	237 10	40
Patternmaker	120 0	44	340 6	40	71 3	47	..	..	110 0	40	237 10	40
Moulder (Iron)	90 0 to 111 0	44	271 0 to 318 0	40	70 11	44	154 1½	44	110 0	40	235 0	40
Tinsmith	101 6	44	293 0 and 318 0	40	..	..	..	..	110 0	40	237 0	40
Milling (Flour)—												
Miller (shift)	97 0 to 107 6	44	295 0 to 320 0	40	71 0 and 73 0	42	180 0	42	(a) 99 4	40	(a) 224 8	40
Packerman	85 0	44	280 0	40	..	..	..	..	95 4	40	219 0	40

(a) Kilman.

SECTION V.—continued.

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

Industry and Occupation.	AUSTRALIA (SYDNEY).				UNITED KINGDOM (LONDON).				NEW ZEALAND (AUCKLAND).			
	31st December, 1938.		31st December, 1954.		31st December, 1938.		31st December, 1954.		31st December, 1938.		31st December, 1954.	
	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 (Manufacturing) ..	104 0	44	280 0	40	51 6 to 58 0	45	135 0	44	91 8	40	226 0	40
Tailoring (Ready-made)—												
Cutter	101 0	44	294 0	40	..	..	..	..	102 6	40	226 0	40
Presser (Coat)	98 0	44	283 0	40	..	..	..	..	92 6	40	219 6	40
Trimmer	98 0	44	283 0	40	..	..	..	..	92 6	40	226 0	40
Bookbinding—												
Bookbinder	108 0	44	318 0	40	80 0	45	182 0	43½	107 6	40	237 4	40
Paper Ruler	108 0	44	318 0	40	80 0	45	182 0	43½	107 6	40	..	40
Printing (Daily Newspaper)—												
Compositor (Day Work) ..	131 0	44	377 6 to 395 0	40	89 0	45	..	..	107 6	40	237 4	40
Reader (Day Work)	139 6	44	349 6 to 359 6	40	..	..	..	..	112 6	40	251 2	40
Printing (Jobbing Offices)—												
Compositor	108 0 and 117 0	44	318 0 to 340 6	40	89 0	45	132 0	43½	107 6	40	237 4	40
Linotype Operator (Day Work) ..	117 0	44	349 6	40	..	..	..	..	115 0	40	246 9	40
Building—												
Bricklayer	121 0	44	333 4	40	77 0	44	168 8 & 170 6	44	115 0	40	243 6	40
Carpenter	121 0	44	338 4	40	77 0	44	168 8 & 170 6	44	112 6	40	236 5	40

SECTION V.—*continued.*

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

Industry and Occupation.	AUSTRALIA (SYDNEY).				UNITED KINGDOM (LONDON).				NEW ZEALAND (AUCKLAND).			
	31st December, 1938.		31st December, 1954.		31st December, 1938.		31st December, 1954.		31st December, 1938.		31st December, 1954.	
	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.	Rates of Wage.	No. of Hours.
Building—<i>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	(a)268 6	40	57 9	44	148 6 & 150 4 148 6	44	93 4	40	215 8	40
Concrete Worker ..	87 0	44	(a)268 6	40	(b)	(b)	150 4 & 148 6	44	93 4	40	215 8	40
Earth Excavator ..	87 0	44	(a)268 6	40	(b)	(b)	150 4 & 148 6	44	93 4	40	215 8	40
Painter	114 4	44	321 8	40	73 4	44	150 4 168 8 &	44	110 0	40	229 4	40
Paperhanger	114 4	44	321 8	40	77 0	44	170 6 168 8 &	44	110 0	40	229 4	40
Plasterer	121 0	44	330 10	40	77 0	44	170 6 168 8 &	44	115 0	40	239 8	40
Plumber	125 0	44	330 9	40	77 0	44	170 6 168 8 & 170 6	44	110 0	40	243 0	40
Trainways—												
Conductor—												
1st year	87 0	44	264 0	40	73 0 to 82 0	48	148 6	44	95 10 and 100 0	40	204 4 & 209 1 209 1	40
2nd year	90 0	44	270 0	40			154 6	44			209 1	40
3rd year, etc.	93 0	44	270 0	40			154 6	44			209 1	40
Motorman—												
1st year	99 0	44	273 0	40	73 0 to 82 0	48	150 6 158 6 158 6	44	100 0 and 103 4	40	217 6 217 6 217 6	40
2nd year	99 0	44	273 0	40							217 6	40
3rd year, etc.	99 0	44	273 0	40							217 6	40
Carrying (Merchandise)—												
Carter (1 horse)	92 0	44	274 0	40	60 0 and 61 0 to 64 6	48	130 0	44	93 0	40	205 5	40
Municipal—Labourer	94 6	44	(c)306 0	40		47	141 2	44	90 0	40	204 4	40

(a) Rate excludes allowances for statutory holidays, following the job and sick pay. (b) Not available. (c) Not comparable with rates for previous year.

SECTION VI.

Basic Wage Rates—1923 to 1954.

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

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

Date Operative.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	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 ..	" 6	81 6	73 6	79 6	74 0	83 0	" 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	" 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

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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.

SECTION VI.—continued.

Date Operative.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.	Six Capitals.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
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
May ..	241 0	232 0	217 0	228 0	231 0	230 0	234 0
August(a) ..	243 0	235 0	218 0	231 0	236 0	242 0	236 0

(a) By the decision of the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration, announced on 12th September, 1953, automatic adjustment of basic wages in accordance with variations occurring in retail price index numbers was discontinued in Commonwealth awards either then the subject of applications before the Court or subsequently reviewed by the Court in this connexion.

SECTION VII.

COMPARATIVE INDEX NUMBERS FOR THE SIX CAPITAL CITIES COMBINED.

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

Period.	"C" Series Retail Price Index Numbers.					Nominal Wage Rates, Adult Males	Real Wage Rates. (c)
	Food and Groceries.	Rent (4 and 5-roomed Houses). (b)	Clothing.	Miscellaneous.	Total "C" Series Retail Price Index.		
Year—							
1911	1,000	1,000	(d) 1,000	(d) 1,000	(d) 1,000	1,000	1,000
1914	1,144	1,082	1,140	1,140	1,140	1,081	948
1921	1,902	1,410	1,883	1,537	1,680	1,826	1,067
1929	1,866	1,754	1,506	1,533	1,713	1,972	1,131
1932	1,425	1,336	1,215	1,458	1,377	1,639	1,190
1933	1,342	1,314	1,190	1,447	1,335	1,584	1,187
1939	1,657	1,577	1,271	1,465	1,525	1,840	1,210
1940	1,679	1,590	1,445	1,459	1,588	1,939	1,190
1943	1,855	1,595	2,177	1,766	1,876	2,309	1,231
1944	1,874	1,595	2,168	1,773	1,867	2,326	1,246
1945	1,849	1,595	2,155	1,767	1,868	2,339	1,252
1946	1,852	1,596	2,276	1,776	1,900	2,400	1,263
1947	1,967	1,597	2,367	1,825	1,971	2,598	1,318
1948	2,245	1,601	2,637	1,913	2,148	2,914	1,357
1949	2,492	1,605	3,019	2,037	2,349	3,210	1,367
1950	2,800	1,613	3,455	2,184	2,589	3,596	1,389
1951	3,649	1,649	4,156	2,555	3,124	4,495	1,439
1952	4,516	1,728	4,657	2,980	3,645	5,241	1,438
1953	4,723	1,861	4,872	3,126	3,820	5,539	1,450
1954	4,776	1,949	4,865	3,139	3,860	5,632	1,459
1955	5,027	2,005	4,894	3,168	3,970	5,773	1,454
Quarter—							
1939.							
September ..	1,645	1,582	1,264	1,463	1,520	1,854	1,220
1948.							
March	2,128	1,599	2,511	1,874	2,071	2,781	1,343
June	2,197	1,600	2,600	1,900	2,121	2,854	1,346
September ..	2,278	1,601	2,688	1,935	2,175	2,970	1,366
December ..	2,378	1,602	2,748	1,944	2,225	3,050	1,371
1949.							
March	2,433	1,603	2,795	1,985	2,263	3,009	1,369
June	2,482	1,604	2,968	2,017	2,328	3,182	1,367
September ..	2,497	1,606	3,089	2,047	2,370	3,249	1,371
December ..	2,555	1,608	3,223	2,098	2,433	3,310	1,360
1950.							
March	2,633	1,609	3,259	2,134	2,474	3,372	1,363
June	2,718	1,611	3,418	2,151	2,546	3,458	1,368
September ..	2,828	1,614	3,501	2,180	2,609	3,545	1,359
December ..	3,020	1,618	3,643	2,271	2,726	4,009	1,471
1951.							
March	3,201	1,611	3,760	2,381	2,843	4,142	1,457
June	3,443	1,646	4,151	2,498	3,042	4,387	1,442
September ..	3,819	1,651	4,283	2,611	3,224	4,601	1,427
December ..	4,133	1,656	4,429	2,731	3,388	4,850	1,432
1952.							
March	4,298	1,672	4,523	2,783	3,481	5,036	1,447
June	4,589	1,702	4,685	2,967	3,661	5,156	1,408
September ..	4,633	1,750	4,709	3,072	3,714	5,345	1,430
December ..	4,544	1,789	4,712	3,095	3,722	5,428	1,458
1953.							
March	4,590	1,835	4,838	3,118	3,763	5,443	1,446
June	4,658	1,847	4,906	3,122	3,805	5,512	1,440
September ..	4,804	1,870	4,880	3,127	3,851	5,591	1,452
December ..	4,831	1,882	4,863	3,136	3,861	5,611	1,453
1954.							
March	4,798	1,900	4,880	3,151	3,861	5,622	1,456
June	4,774	1,947	4,856	3,137	3,856	5,624	1,459
September ..	4,746	1,970	4,853	3,133	3,851	5,623	1,460
December ..	4,787	1,977	4,870	3,136	3,871	5,658	1,466
1955.							
March	4,882	1,983	4,865	3,115	3,898	5,720	1,467
June	4,952	1,997	4,898	3,151	3,941	5,746	1,457
September ..	5,103	2,014	4,903	3,168	4,001	5,774	1,443
December ..	5,169	2,025	4,910	3,239	4,041	5,853	1,448

(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 21.

(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 Houses).

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