

in three States, New South Wales, Queensland and Western Australia. Of the positions filled in this group, 6596, or 82 per cent., as against 5571, or 86 per cent. in 1917, were for female domestic workers, and the whole of these positions were filled in the three above-mentioned States, these being the only States which make special provisions for female workers. In the manufacturing groups (I. to VI.) 47 per cent. of the applicants obtained positions.

5. Applications and Positions Filled during 1918, Males and Females.

—The following table gives particulars, for male and female workers separately, of the number of applications for employment, and from employers, and the number of positions filled during the year 1918 :—

State Free Employment Bureaux.—Applications and Positions Filled, Males and Females, 1918.

Particulars.	Applications for Employment.			* Applications from Employers.			Positions filled.
	On Live Register at Beginning of Year.	Received during Year.	Total.	On Live Register at Beginning of Year.	Received during Year.	Total.	
Males	4,499	69,191	73,690	488	33,342	33,830	38,439
Females	177	8,461	8,638	262	6,628	6,890	6,977
TOTAL	4,676	77,652	82,328	750	39,970	40,720	45,416

* Exclusive of Victoria, South Australia and Western Australia.

Of the total number of registrations for employment during the year 1918, 73,690, or 89.5 per cent. (against 87.5 per cent. in 1917) were made by males, and 8638, or 10.5 per cent., by females. The number of positions filled for males was 38,439, or 84.6 per cent. (against 83 per cent. in 1917), and for females, 6977, or 15.4 per cent.

For every 1000 applications for employment from male workers, 522 positions were filled in 1918, as against 423 in 1917, while for every 1000 applications from female workers, 808 were filled, as against 606 in 1917.

: SECTION XV.—ASSISTED IMMIGRANTS.

1. **General.**—The following table shows the total number of immigrants, the cost of whose passage was wholly or partly defrayed by the State Governments, up to the end of the year 1910, and the number arriving in each year since that date :—

Commonwealth.—Number of Assisted, Selected, or Nominated Immigrants to the End of the Year 1918.

Particulars.	To end of 1910.	1911.	1912.	1913.	1914.	1915.	1916.	1917.	1918.	Total.
No. of Immigrants	686,666	39,796	46,712	37,445	29,305	5,796	1,397	504	426	839,547

During the three years 1911 to 1913, inclusive, the average number of assisted immigrants was 41,317. During 1914, as the result of the outbreak of war in the latter half of the year, the number dropped to 20,805. In each of the years 1915 to 1918 inclusive, the number of immigrants arriving has been small, and in 1918 was only 426.

2. Number of Assisted Immigrants arriving in each State, 1918.—

The following table shows the number of nominated immigrants arriving in each State during the year 1918. No selected immigrants arrived during that year :—

Assisted Immigrants.—Number arriving in each State, 1918.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Vict.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aus.	Tas	C'with.
Selected
Nominated (Male	31	24	20	..	4	..	70
	Female	168	77	80	..	22	347
Total	199	101	100	..	26	..	426

3. Number of Assisted Immigrants, classified in Industrial Groups, 1918.—

In the following table particulars are given of assisted immigrants of each sex, classified according to industrial groups, dependants being specified separately :—

Assisted Immigrants.—Classified according to Sex and Industrial Group, 1918.

INDUSTRIAL GROUP.	SELECTED.			NOMINATED.		
	Males.	Females	Total.	Males.	Females	Total.
I. Wood, Furniture, etc.
II. Engineering, Metals, etc.	1	..	1
III. Food, Drink, Tobacco, etc.	2	2
IV. Clothing, Hats, Boots, etc.	14	14
V. Books, Printing, etc.	1	1	2
VI. Other Manufacturing	1	1
VII. Building	1	..	1
VIII. Mining
IX. Rail and Tramway Services
X. Other Land Transport
XI. Shipping, Wharf Labour, etc.
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, etc.	2	..	2
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, etc.	1	32	33
XIV. General Labour and Miscellaneous	5	5	10
Dependants, Adults	13	219	232
" Children under 12 years	55	73	128
TOTAL	70	347	426

Of the total number of immigrants, 360, or 84.5 per cent., were dependants, and 33, or 7.7 per cent., in the domestic group. Of the dependants, 18.9 per cent. were males and 81.1 per cent. females.