

LABOUR

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GROWTH AND TRANSFORMATION of the workforce have been basic to Australia's economic development. The workforce and its institutions have experienced an interesting mix of stability and change over the last two hundred years. The workforce has grown from a little over one thousand, recorded in 1790, to nearly seven million in the mid-1980s.

Much of this growth, and the changes it embodies and reflects, can be presented statistically, and labour statistics form a strong part of Australia's rich statistical tradition. Colonial statistician T. A. Coghlan was the first to collect labour figures systematically, and his greatest work, *Labour and industry in Australia*, drew creatively upon them. This chapter draws on his work on labour, and that of later statisticians, as it outlines the composition and organisation of the Australian workforce from the 1850s to the 1980s.

Figures from colonial population musters, and from censuses taken before and after Federation, document the changes in the structure of the labour force as Australia was transformed from a gaol into a complex, advanced economy. The boost given to the workforce by the gold rushes of the 1850s, and further labour expansion associated with the long booms of the late 1800s and since the 1950s are prominent features in Australia's economic history.

This expansion has resulted from both immigration and natural increase, and is high by international standards. It occurred despite a general decline and stagnation in the female participation in the workforce that continued from early settlement through to the middle of the twentieth century. While it is difficult to accurately reflect the female component of the workforce throughout Australia's history, it is evident that the dramatic increase in workforce participation by married females that began in the 1960s has now significantly reversed the long-term tendency of women's role in the labour force to decline or remain static.

Australia's labour force also differs in quality. It is a much more highly educated workforce, particularly since the expansion of state support for secondary and higher education since World War II. By international standards Australia has always been a highly literate nation, but mass secondary education, tertiary education and expanded formal technical training are postwar phenomena.

An important part of the data in this chapter indicates occupations within, and distribution of, the workforce. There has been a steady fall of employment in primary industry since the late

nineteenth century, and, in secondary industry and associated occupations, a rise following World War II and then a recent decline. Even at the turn of the century Australia had a highly service-oriented workforce. Similarly, the statistical data on private and public employment show how the public sector took on a high share of employment by international standards early in Australia's development. It is only since World War II that other western industrial countries have approached Australia's relative levels of public sector employment. Yet so often the popular histories of our country convey only the image of the frontier and the bush, ignoring the more representative urban, service-oriented, and government nature of Australia's historical labour market. Of course, urban Australia has been very dependent on high productivity in agriculture and mining.

Equally rare is recognition of the existence of important problems in what, for many, was long viewed as a 'worker's paradise'. For wage workers in the late nineteenth century it was no doubt true that real wages in Australia were high. But for many workers employment was discontinuous and, for some, unemployment was a continuing state. Nineteenth-century unemployment information is not as rich as twentieth-century data, but enough is known to conclude that unemployment during the long boom from the 1850s was higher than for the boom after World War II, and may well have been similar to the unemployment levels of the early twentieth century. Unemployment during the 1890s depression was not quite as high as in the 1930s, but it still represented a massive dislocation. Rates of unemployment have risen again since the early 1970s.

Reliable and continuous series of statistics showing wages in the nineteenth century are sparse, and have not been thoroughly analysed. But broad indicators have been compiled showing that for much of the nineteenth century Australians received high wages, by world standards. They also illustrate some remarkable rigidities in wage levels and structures. In the early twentieth century a richer source of statistics emerged, with the rise of arbitration courts, distinctively Australasian institutions, and the exercise of their extensive wage-fixing powers. The arbitration system set minimum legal wages ('awards') and determines a standard working week which applies before higher 'penalty rate' wages must be paid. The long history of arbitrated wages has a useful focus in the Commonwealth Basic Wage 1907–1967, but there is an abundance of data on the whole structure of 'award' wages. These data show how industrial and social factors relating to wages—for example, gender, age—and standard hours have remained remarkably stable over long periods. For instance, the major changes in female wages during World War II and again in the early 1970s were preceded by decades of almost complete stability, and the standard working week hardly changed from the 1920s to 1948 or from 1948 until the late 1970s.

Unionisation began to occur in Australia in the early nineteenth century, but was focused for many years on skilled workers and represented only a small share of the workforce. The early union movement was badly affected by the 1890s depression, but there was dramatic growth in union numbers and membership in the twentieth century, and Australia became, and remains, one of the most unionised of the advanced economies.

The union share of the workforce, which showed a sustained rise until the 1930s and another rise after World War II, has remained remarkably stable since the early 1950s. As regards industrial disputes, the most notable historical change illustrated by the data in this chapter is the dramatic shortening of the duration of strikes since the 1930s depression; Australian strikes have been frequent but short-lived, by national and world historical standards. At the same time, the share of workers and of unionists involved in industrial disputes has increased notably since World War II.

The institutions of the labour market have been an increasing focus for recent public discussion in Australia, particularly in the context of reduced national and world economic performance since the mid-1970s. If the data in this chapter are compared with overseas figures, they show that real wages in Australia are now behind those of many of the advanced countries, despite Australia's nineteenth-century pre-eminence. For this reason it is essential to determine whether the labour institutions and structures which have emerged from two hundred years of European settlement in Australia are suited to the present and future needs of our society.

LAB 1-14 WORKFORCE, COLONIES 1841-1901

Census year	MALES														FEMALES													
	NSW ^a	Vic ^b	Qld ^c	SA ^d	Tas.	WA	Aust	NSW ^a	Vic ^b	Qld ^c	SA ^d	Tas.	WA	Aust	NSW ^a	Vic ^b	Qld ^c	SA ^d	Tas.	WA	Aust							
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	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000					
1841	68.7		4.5	24.1	24.1	97.3	9.0																12.9					
1846	82.0		8.0	36.8	36.8	1.4	13.0																18.9					
1851	72.3		25.3	33.4	33.4	3.4	16.4																30.3					
1854	88.3	32.0	27.8	33.8	33.8	5.8	27.8		5.4														45.6					
1856	95.0	121.1	29.4	32.1	32.1	6.5	32.5		15.6														68.0					
1861	132.4	166.5	39.7	32.3	32.3	7.2	46.0		27.1														87.5					
1871	172.9	233.8	49.2	32.5	32.5	8.9	57.6		37.9														116.8					
1881	254.4	266.8	49.2	38.2	38.2	12.4	74.9		55.2														170.0					
1891	367.6	379.8	149.4	46.9	46.9	18.6	106.7		82.7														243.3					
1901	436.7	376.5	183.9	120.3	55.8	85.5	125.8		132.2														352.3					

(a) Includes Vic before 1851; Qld before 1861.
 (b) Included in NSW before 1851.
 (c) Included in NSW before 1861.
 (d) Includes NT.

LAB 15-32 WORKFORCE, STATES AND TERRITORIES 1911-1981

Census year	MALES														FEMALES													
	NSW	Vic	Qld	SA	Tas	WA	NT ^a	ACT ^b	Aust	NSW	Vic	Qld	SA	Tas	WA	NT ^a	ACT ^b	Aust										
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	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000				
1911	56.0	42.5	22.0	14.1	61.2	11.3			152.1	13.0	13.2	4.6	3.3	1.3	2.0								37.3					
1921	67.9	48.7	25.6	16.1	66.0	11.6			176.5	16.1	14.6	5.5	3.8	1.4	2.4								43.8					
1933	82.4	58.2	31.8	18.7	69.2	15.3			214.0	21.8	19.2	7.6	4.9	1.7	3.4								58.7					
1947	96.9	67.4	36.8	21.1	8.0	16.4			248.0	28.6	21.7	9.3	5.6	2.0	4.2								71.7					
1954	107.8	78.7	42.0	25.3	9.3	20.5			285.7	32.8	25.7	11.0	6.8	2.4	5.3								84.5					
1961	119.1	88.7	45.1	28.8	10.1	21.6			316.6	41.1	32.3	13.4	8.9	3.0	6.3								105.9					
1966	127.1	95.0	48.3	32.0	10.6	24.6			342.1	54.3	42.7	18.2	13.1	4.1	9.3								143.5					
1971	133.2	98.9	50.9	33.0	10.8	30.0			364.0	62.8	48.4	21.4	15.6	4.5	13.1								169.1					
1976	137.3	103.9	57.2	35.9	11.2	33.2			387.5	77.0	60.6	30.6	20.8	5.8	18.1								218.0					
1981	147.4	109.3	64.8	36.6	11.8	37.2			417.2	89.2	68.4	36.5	22.7	6.7	21.9								251.8					

NOTE Workforce includes employed and unemployed salary and wage earners; those employed on their own account; 'helpers' not receiving salary or wages; and those in the 'occupation not stated' class in each census.
 (a) Included in SA in 1911 and 1921.
 (b) Included in NSW in 1911 and 1921.

'The test to be applied in ascertaining what are fair and reasonable conditions of remuneration of labour... is, in the case of unskilled labourers—what are the normal needs of the average employee as a human being living in a civilised community?' H. Higgins, 1906.

LAB 33-49 OCCUPATIONS, 1911-1981

Census year	Upper professional	Graziers	Lower professional	Managerial	Shop owners	Formers	Clerical workers	Armed services, police	Craft workers	Shop assistants	Factory workers	Drivers	Service workers	Miners	Farm workers	Labourers	Total
	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000
1911	32	31 ^a	58	91	23	216 ^a	75	10	316	115	137 ^b	95	208	87	190	140 ^b	1831
1921	36	34 ^a	75	80	36	244 ^a	142	12	368	127	190 ^b	116	240	54	190	210 ^b	2166
1933	48	75	105	121	75	204	266	13	328	126	226	137	304	59	269	331	2696
1947	43 ^c	70 ^a	138	181	0 ^d	350 ^a	427 ^c	49	488 ^c	215 ^d	307	168	233	36	61	304	3072
1961	116	95	246	296	50	191	650	62	684	208	467	208	316	33	162	383	4171
1971	136	79	432	377	37	177	1019	87	787	275	559	229	436	35	136	411	5235
1981	271	99	638	362	47	177	1291	100	880	369	528	247	596	37	107	448	6223

NOTE Where occupation of a segment of the workforce is inadequately defined, it has been distributed in proportion to the defined workforce.

(a) In 1911, 1921 and 1947, wheat and sheep farmers included with other farmers in LAB 38 and not in LAB 34.

(b) In 1911 and 1921, some labourers included in LAB 43, not LAB 48.

(c) In 1947, accountants included with bookkeepers in LAB 39, professional engineers included with mechanics in LAB 41.

(d) In 1947, shop proprietors included in LAB 42, not LAB 37.

‘Full employment was the cement that bound our society together, enabled us to face the challenges of a changing world and, to some extent, came to nurture a degree of compassion for the less privileged amongst us. That cement is crumbling, and as it crumbles we can discern the beginnings of fracture in our society. Indeed, it is not difficult to perceive the emergence of two societies—the employed and the unemployed—something akin to Disraeli’s “two nations”.’ Bob Hawke, 1979.

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LAB 50-58 AVERAGE ANNUAL EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY,
AUSTRALIA 1891-1979

Year 31 Dec	Rural	Mining	Manufacturing	Utilities	Building & construction	Trade & transport	Finance & property ^a	Other ^b	Total
	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58
	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000
1891	311.1	72.7	182.4	5.9	165.2	234.8	11.8	236.1	1220.0
1914	477.1	88.3	365.5	20.4	264.5	439.9	25.9	362.2	2043.8
1919	466.5	62.8	367.2	23.1	149.2	433.8	31.8	554.7	2089.1
1924	503.8	54.4	446.5	28.2	274.1	476.6	43.2	408.0	2234.8
1929	528.9	43.9	489.5	30.8	262.2	540.0	49.5	423.8	2368.6
1934	556.2	53.0	452.8	22.8	180.5	501.4	51.8	429.7	2248.2
1939	550.3	64.3	615.4	28.4	241.7	583.2	56.2	494.8	2634.3
1944	462.0	47.2	834.1	27.7	119.5	548.4	52.2	1184.4	3275.5
1949	500.2	56.4	933.1	39.4	272.0	771.4	83.7	608.1	3264.3
1954	505.1	61.0	1007.9	49.6	322.6	870.7	100.0	689.6	3606.5
1959	485.8	53.7	1090.8	66.5	361.7	952.8	126.7	765.7	3903.7
<i>30 June</i>									
1964	457.4	50.8	1244.1	76.5	424.7	1055.7	158.8	930.3	4378.3
1969	427.5	63.6	1365.7	82.6	479.9	1194.1	1394.0		5007.4
1974	407.0	78.1	1456.3	85.3	547.2	1359.5	1769.7		5703.1
1979	370.0	81.1	1263.0	91.4	533.8	1429.0	2125.3		5893.6

(a) From 1967, 'Finance & property' is not reflected separately and is combined with 'Other'.

(b) 'Other' comprises public administration and defence, community and business services, entertainment and personal services.

LAB 59-66 EMPLOYMENT, PRIVATE AND GOVERNMENT,
AUSTRALIA 1904-1974

Year 31 Dec	GOVERNMENT							
	Total private	Self employed ^a	Common- wealth	State	Local	Total civilian	Defence forces	Total work- force ^b
	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66
	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000
1904	1323		17	106	13	136	3	1613
1909	1530		25	131	15	171	4	1763
1914	178	499	40	199	19	259	10	2112
1919	167	490	45	201	20	267	153	2167
1924	1901	562	53	246	27	327	7	2346
1929	990	575	54	273	47	373	6	2573
1934	1905	612	54	233	49	336	7	2700
1939	2225	599	70	270	58	398	11	2907
1944	2016	476	212	285	41	538	721	3308
1949	2610	642	182	373	63	618	36	3314
1954	2840	672	202	434	66	702	64	3681
1959	3070	686	224	483	77	784	49	4015
1964	3613	714	249	528	91	868	52	4597
1969	4100	718	313	606	103	1022	83	5281
1974	4601	784	374	680	117	1171	68	5935

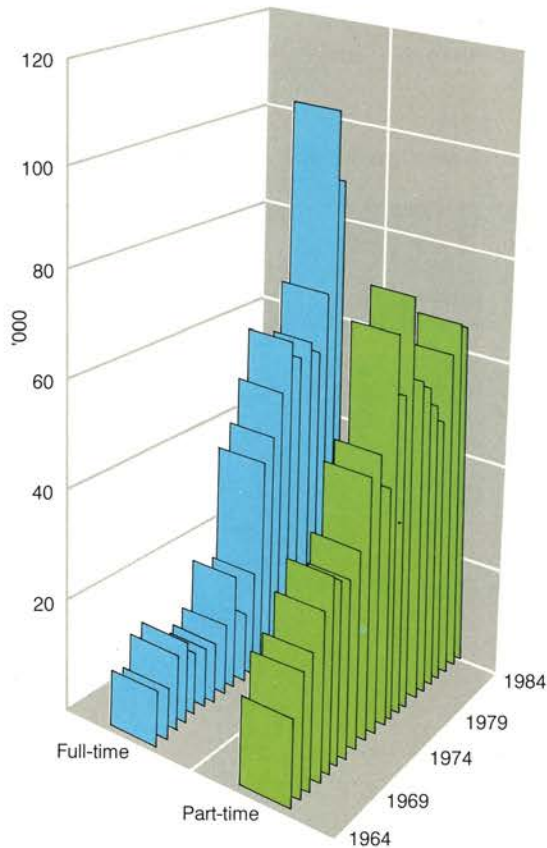
(a) Already included in LAB 59.

(b) Includes unemployed.

LAB 67-69 FULL AND PART-TIME WORKFORCE, 1964-1984

Year 31 Aug	Full-time	Part-time	Total	Year 31 Aug	Full-time	Part-time	Total
	67	68	69		67	68	69
	'000	'000	'000		'000	'000	'000
1964	4146	395	4541	1975	5143	824	6120
1965	4253	410	4683	1976	5158	883	6191
1966	4369	480	4903	1977	5981	951	6355
1967	4450	520	5020	1978	5351	1048	6365
1968	4540	544	5137	1979	5397	1018	6415
1969	4636	591	5262	1980	5557	1082	6639
1970	4925	580	5474	1981	5630	1464	6733
1971	4920	579	5608	1982	5648	1157	6842
1972	4995	628	5754	1983	5832	1159	6991
1973	5052	701	5889	1984	5913	1215	7128
1974	5123	728	5996				

NOTE 'Full-time' is defined as those working 35 or more hours per week, including people unemployed and seeking work for at least 35 hours per week. 'Part-time' is defined as those working less than 35 hours per week, and those unemployed and seeking work for less than 35 hours per week; it includes people working for a minimum of one hour per week.



UNEMPLOYMENT RATE FOR FULL-TIME AND PART-TIME WORKERS, AUSTRALIA 1964-1984.

LAB 70-75 UNEMPLOYED SEEKING WORK, AUSTRALIA 1964-1984

Year 31 Aug	FULL-TIME WORK		PART-TIME WORK		TOTAL	
	No	Rate ^a	No	Rate ^b	No	Rate ^c
	70	71	72	73	74	75
	'000	%	'000	%	'000	%
1964	46	1.1	7	1.7	52	1.2
1965	44	1.0	10	2.4	54	1.2
1966	66	1.5	13	2.6	79	1.6
1967	70	1.6	17	3.2	87	1.7
1968	61	1.3	20	3.7	81	1.6
1969	58	1.2	21	3.5	79	1.5
1970	58	1.2	20	3.4	78	1.4
1971	70	1.4	23	3.8	93	1.7
1972	111	2.2	33	5.0	144	2.5
1973	67	1.3	39	5.3	106	1.8
1974	106	2.0	35	4.6	141	2.3
1975	216	4.1	63	7.3	278	4.5
1976	237	4.5	56	6.1	293	4.7
1977	283	5.3	76	7.8	359	5.7
1978	333	6.2	63	6.2	396	6.2
1979	313	5.8	61	6.0	374	5.8
1980	332	6.0	60	5.5	392	5.9
1981	321	5.7	56	5.1	377	5.6
1982	385	6.8	73	6.3	459	6.7
1983	605	10.4	79	6.8	684	9.8
1984	524	8.9	81	6.7	605	8.5

NOTE Unemployed in the civilian population aged 15 years and over.

- (a) Unemployment as a percentage of full-time workers.
- (b) Unemployment as a percentage of part-time workers.
- (c) Unemployment as a percentage of total workforce.

LAB 76-85 REGISTERED UNEMPLOYED SEEKING FULL-TIME WORK, AND UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS, 1946-1981

Year 30 June	REGISTERED UNEMPLOYED SEEKING FULL-TIME WORK							UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT		
	NSW ^a	Vic	Qld	SA ^b	Tas	WA	Aust	Single adult ^c	Married person	Number receiving benefit
	76	77	78	79	80	81	82	83	84	85
	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	\$	\$	'000
1946	..	..	..	..	..	..	3.7	2.50	2.50	0.7
1947	0.8	0.3	0.6	0.1	0.02	0.3	2.1	2.50	2.50	0.6
1948	0.6	0.2	0.3	0.08	0.02	0.2	1.4	2.50	2.50	0.2
1949	0.8	0.2	0.2	0.06	0.03	0.2	1.4	2.50	2.50	0.1
1950	0.6	0.1	0.2	0.04	0.02	0.2	1.2	2.50	2.50	0.1
1951	0.4	0.1	0.2	0.04	0.02	0.1	1.0	2.50	2.50	0.06
1952	1.8	0.9	0.6	0.2	0.06	0.3	3.8	5.00	5.00	0.8
1953	2.6	1.2	0.9	0.2	0.08	0.3	5.3	5.00	5.00	2.6
1954	0.9	0.5	0.5	0.1	0.05	0.2	2.2	5.00	5.00	0.6
1955	0.7	0.4	0.4	0.1	0.06	0.3	1.9	5.00	5.00	0.3
1956	1.1	0.8	0.5	0.2	0.05	0.4	3.1	5.00	5.00	0.7
1957	1.9	1.4	0.9	0.3	0.2	0.5	5.2	5.00	5.00	1.8
1958	2.6	1.6	1.2	0.5	0.2	0.6	6.7	6.50	6.50	2.9
1959	2.7	1.4	1.2	0.4	0.2	0.6	6.6	6.50	6.50	2.7
1960	1.6	1.1	0.9	0.4	0.2	0.5	4.7	6.50	6.50	1.6
1961	4.3	3.1	1.9	0.9	0.3	0.6	11.2	6.50	6.50	5.4
1962	3.5	2.6	1.6	0.7	0.4	0.5	9.3	8.25	8.25	4.6
1963	3.4	1.9	1.2	0.6	0.3	0.6	8.1	8.25	8.25	3.8
1964	1.8	1.0	0.8	0.4	0.3	0.5	4.8	8.25	8.25	1.8
1965	1.6	0.9	0.8	0.3	0.2	0.4	4.2	8.25	8.25	1.3
1966	2.3	1.4	1.0	0.7	0.2	0.3	5.9	8.25	8.25	1.9
1967	2.5	1.6	1.3	0.8	0.2	0.4	6.8	8.25	8.25	2.4
1968	2.1	1.9	1.0	0.8	0.2	0.4	6.5	8.25	8.25	2.1
1969	1.8	1.3	1.0	0.6	0.2	0.4	5.5	8.25	8.25	1.6
1970	1.6	1.3	0.9	0.6	0.2	0.5	5.1	10.00	10.00	1.3
1971	2.2	1.8	0.9	0.8	0.3	0.7	6.6	10.00	10.00	1.9
1972	3.4	2.5	1.2	1.2	0.3	1.2	9.9	17.00	25.00	4.2
1973	2.7	2.2	1.1	0.9	0.4	0.8	8.1	21.50	37.50	3.8
1974 ^d	2.9	2.1	0.9	0.8	0.3	0.8	7.9	26.00	45.50	3.2
1975	9.4	7.0	3.7	2.0	0.6	1.7	24.6	36.00	60.00	16.1
1976	11.1	6.6	3.9	1.9	0.9	2.1	26.5	41.25	68.50	18.8
1977	14.1	7.7	4.9	3.1	0.8	2.6	33.3	47.10	78.50	25.0
1978	14.4	9.5	6.3	4.5	1.2	3.4	39.4	51.45	85.80	28.6
1979	15.3	10.0	6.1	5.0	1.3	4.0 ^e	41.7	51.45	96.50	31.2
1980	15.0	10.9	6.4	5.1	1.3	4.0	42.7	51.45	101.70	31.1
1981 ^f	16.0	11.6	7.0	5.6	1.5	4.0	45.7	53.45	111.10	31.4

NOTE Full-time work defined as at least 35 hours per week. LAB 83-4 are at current prices.

(a) Includes ACT.

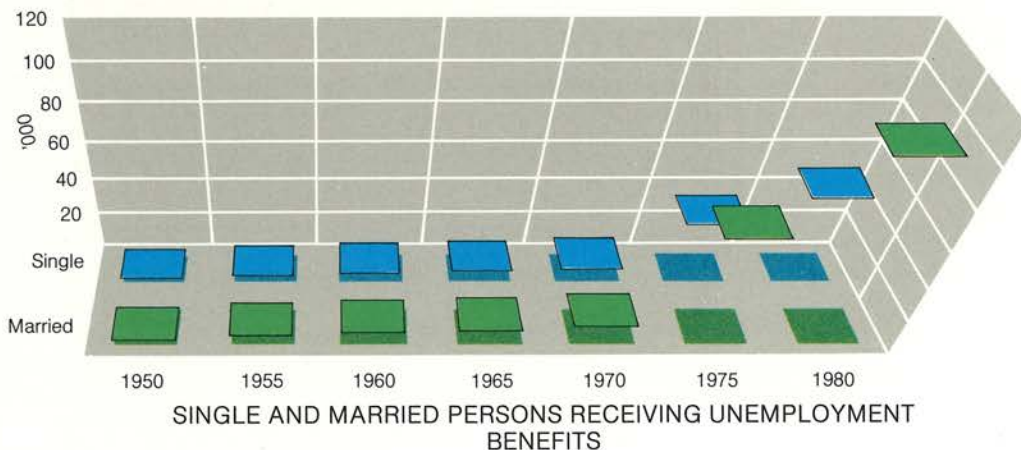
(b) Includes NT.

(c) Without dependants.

(d) From and including 1974, the definition of an unemployed school leaver changed. Based on the new definition, unemployment would have been 700 lower in July 1973 for Aust as a whole.

(e) No data were collected by the CES in WA for June 1979. Figures shown for June 1979 are an average of May and July data.

(f) All collection and publication of CES unemployment statistics ceased in May 1981; data are as at 31 May 1981.



AUSTRALIANS HISTORICAL STATISTICS

LAB 86-97 UNEMPLOYMENT, AUSTRALIA 1891-1974

Year ^a	TRADE UNION FIGURES									BUTLIN ESTIMATES		
	No of members	No of unem- ployed	Aust ^b	NSW ^b	Vic ^b	Qld ^b	SA ^b	Tas ^b	WA ^b	Work- force ^c	Unem- ployed	Unem- ployed ^d
	86	87	88	89	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97
			%	%	%	%	%	%	%	'000	'000	%
1891	6 445	599	9.3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1896	4 227	457	10.8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1901	8 710	574	6.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	1489	58.1	3.90
1902	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1537	73.8	4.80
1903	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1585	134.7	8.50
1904	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1659	155.9	9.40
1905	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1637	140.8	8.60
1906	11 299	753	6.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	1635	107.9	6.60
1907	13 179	757	5.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	1680	87.4	5.20
1908	18 685	1 117	6.0	..	..	..	..	..	..	1703	57.9	3.40
1909	21 122	1 223	5.8	..	..	..	..	..	..	1752	57.8	3.30
1910	32 995	1 857	5.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	1829	60.4	3.30
1911	67 961	3 171	4.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	1839	52.6	2.86
1912	224 023 ^e	12 441 ^e	5.5 ^e	5.0 ^f	6.7 ^f	4.6 ^f	5.1 ^f	3.4 ^f	5.8 ^f	1950	47.6	2.44
1913	250 207	13 430	5.3	5.7	7.4	5.7	8.4	4.8	5.8	2046	103.1	5.04
1914	268 937	22 343	8.3	7.1	11.3	10.5	10.0	10.4	8.1	2095	68.5	3.27
1915	270 215	25 662	9.3	7.1	11.1	13.3	9.5	10.0	9.2	2114	125.1	5.92
1916	290 075	16 783	5.8	4.9	7.3	5.8	4.8	3.5	6.2	2128	74.3	3.49
1917	286 810	20 333	7.1	6.1	10.1	7.0	4.0	3.0	5.1	2183	72.0	3.30
1918	231 044	17 536	5.8	4.8	6.5	9.1	2.7	2.4	5.0	2183	74.0	3.39
1919	310 144	20 506	6.6	5.8	5.7	11.1	5.2	5.2	6.1	2155	78.0	3.62
1920	341 965	22 105	6.5	5.5	5.7	11.8	4.9	3.0	4.3	2098	71.1	3.39
1921	361 744	40 549	11.2	12.9	8.7	15.5	7.9	11.9	8.6	2170	125.2	5.77
1922	380 998	35 238	9.3	11.5	6.7	10.0	5.7	8.7	10.0	2249	137.4	6.11
1923	376 557	26 672	7.1	8.9	5.4	7.1	4.6	3.7	5.7	2310	115.7	5.01
1924	397 613	35 507	8.9	12.6	7.1	6.4	4.9	3.8	5.5	2348	111.1	4.73
1925	391 380	34 620	8.8	10.9	8.6	6.5	4.3	8.2	6.1	2462	153.9	6.25
1926	415 397	29 326	7.1	7.4	6.5	7.7	5.1	8.6	7.2	2466	121.5	4.93
1927	445 985	31 032	7.0	7.0	7.4	5.9	7.2	8.6	7.7	2513	105.3	4.19
1928	423 422	45 669	10.8	11.3	10.9	7.0	15.0	10.5	8.2	2562	158.3	6.18
1929	424 093	47 359	11.1	15.0	11.1	7.1	15.7	13.3	10.0	2568	172.8	6.73
1930	438 874	84 767	19.3	21.7	18.3	10.7	23.3	19.1	19.2	2557	250.1	9.78
1931	430 004	117 866	27.4	30.8	25.8	10.2	32.5	27.4	27.3	2556	419.4	16.41
1932	415 434	120 454	29.0	32.5	26.5	18.8	34.0	26.4	29.5	2605	514.2	19.74
1933	415 305	104 035	25.1	28.9	22.3	15.3	29.9	19.1	24.8	2729	516.6	18.93
1934	424 035	86 865	20.5	24.7	17.4	11.7	25.6	17.9	17.8	2761	441.5	15.99
1935	435 938	71 823	16.5	20.6	14.0	8.7	17.6	15.9	13.4	2818	393.7	13.97
1936	441 311	53 992	12.2	15.4	10.7	7.8	10.8	9.8	8.1	2822	309.9	10.98
1937	449 588	41 823	9.3	10.9	9.0	7.3	8.2	7.3	5.6	2823	249.3	8.83
1938	466 325	40 138	8.7	9.9	8.6	6.4	8.3	7.9	5.7	2880	214.8	7.46
1939	476 918	45 967	9.7	11.0	10.4	5.9	9.9	8.1	7.1	2952	258.6	8.76
1940	491 352	39 116	8.0	11.0	5.8	5.5	7.0	5.2	5.6	3001	269.8	8.99
1941	563 660	20 013	3.7	4.7	2.5	4.5	2.7	3.3	2.9	3024	146.7	4.85
1942	613 534	9 754	1.6	1.8	1.2	2.3	1.1	0.8	1.6	3148	59.2	1.88
1943	678 713	7 545	1.1	1.4	0.7	1.2	0.9	1.3	1.5	3299	31.3	0.95
1944	681 684	8 074	1.2	1.6	0.8	0.7	1.0	0.8	1.5	3354	32.9	0.98
1945	673 750	7 864	1.2	1.5	0.9	0.7	1.3	1.0	1.2	3346	39.8	1.19
1946	672 121	9 125	1.4	1.5	1.3	0.9	1.4	2.0	1.6	3247	70.8	2.18
1947	718 096	8 432	1.2	1.3	1.2	0.7	1.0	2.3	1.2	3210	92.4	2.88
1948	761 104	6 533	0.9	1.0	0.8	0.4	1.1	0.7	0.9	3277	64.6	1.97
1949	790 630 ^g	15 342 ^g	2.0 ^g	3.2 ^g	0.7 ^g	0.9 ^g	2.3 ^g	0.6 ^g	0.9 ^g	3368	50.2	1.49
1950	827 106	6 654	0.8	1.0	0.7	0.4	0.9	0.6	1.1	3473	60.8	1.75
1951	860 525	5 776	0.7	0.8	0.6	0.4	0.8	0.9	0.7	3591	39.9	1.11
1952	856 126	24 247	2.9	3.2	3.1	1.8	2.5	3.7	1.5	3686	51.2	1.39
1953	852 779 ^h	27 666 ^h	3.3 ^h	3.2 ^h	3.7 ^h	2.1 ^h	2.6 ^h	4.0 ^h	1.4 ^h	3681	106.7	2.90
1954	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3723	74.8	2.01
1955	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3799	52.0	1.37
1956	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3896	58.1	1.49
1957	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3942	80.4	2.04
1958	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4001	104.0	2.60
1959	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4027	79.3	1.97
1960	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4143	98.2	2.37
1961	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4334	99.2	2.29
1962	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4382	138.9	3.17
1963	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4445	99.1	2.23
1964	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4547	75.5	1.66
1965	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4669	57.0	1.22
1966	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4820	68.0	1.41

LAB 86-97 continued

Year ^a	TRADE UNION FIGURES									BUTLIN ESTIMATES		
	No of members	No of unemployed	Aust ^b	NSW ^b	Vic ^b	Qld ^b	SA ^b	Tas ^b	WA ^b	Work-force ^c	Unem- ployed	Unem- ployed ^d
	86	87	88	89	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97
										'000	'000	%
1967	4972	76.1	1.53
1968	5097	79.5	1.56
1969	5216	76.7	1.47
1970	5383	77.5	1.44
1971	5532	79.0	1.43
1972	5596	104.6	1.87
1973	5741	125.1	2.18
1974	5873	100.4	1.71

(a) LAB 86-94: average of calendar year. LAB 95-97: year ending 30 June.

(b) Percentage of union membership employed.

(c) All those employed (including defence force personnel overseas), all persons unemployed, absentees, and some part-timers. Wherever possible foreigners resident in Aust and Commonwealth Reconstruction Training Scheme students are excluded from the aggregate.

(d) Average unemployed per year as a percentage of the total workforce.

(e) December quarter only until 1913.

(f) December only.

(g) Includes all members of reporting unions indirectly affected by disputes in the coalmining industry, but excluding those directly affected.

(h) Average of March and June quarters only.

LAB 98-100 UNEMPLOYMENT, AMALGAMATED SOCIETY OF ENGINEERS, AUSTRALIA 1853-1943

Year ^a	Members ^b	Super-annuated members	Unem- ployed ^c	Year ^a	Members ^b	Super-annuated members	Unem- ployed ^c	Year ^a	Members ^b	Super-annuated members	Unem- ployed ^c
	98	99	100		98	99	100		98	99	100
		%	%			%	%			%	%
1853	18	..	0.22	1884	995	10.50	2.74	1915	11 844	..	1.53
1854	18	..	..	1885	1 040	11.50	3.75	1916	12 849	..	1.10
1855	18	..	..	1886	1 134	12.62	3.32	1917	14 039	..	1.05
1856	23	..	1.35	1887	1 232	14.00	4.81	1918	13 497	..	1.36
1857	25	..	2.16	1888	1 154	18.25	3.97	1919	13 066	..	2.20
1858	29	..	3.97	1889	1 349	23.15	2.54	1920	14 551	..	1.48
1859	60 ^d	..	2.75 ^d	1890	1 886	30.81	2.27	1921	14 138	..	4.43
1860	108	..	4.35	1891	2 389	37.31	4.21	1922	15 618	..	4.94
1861	140	..	2.93	1892	2 264	43.35	9.09	1923	15 411	..	2.56
1862	173	..	1.32	1893	2 007	52.38	14.42	1924	16 517	..	2.08
1863	219	0.42	2.53	1894	1 758	52.67	16.29	1925	16 763	..	2.11
1864	293 ^e	1.00 ^e	2.63 ^e	1895	1 596	57.50	14.22	1926	18 514	..	1.88
1865	350	1.25	2.39	1896	1 564	70.92	6.92	1927	20 189	..	2.47
1866	389	1.00	3.48	1897	1 600	83.73	5.35	1928	20 440	..	4.73
1867	403	1.00	6.10	1898	1 463	85.08	7.02	1929	19 490	..	5.28
1868	404	1.00	3.89	1899	1 505	93.42	4.37	1930	18 345	..	14.35
1869	405	1.25	3.89	1900	1 628	87.42	1.95	1931	17 776	..	25.74
1870	403	1.33	6.51	1901	1 963	79.83	3.03	1932	16 081	..	25.48
1871	376	1.00	7.76	1902	2 149	88.33	5.33	1933	15 783	..	19.65
1872	407	3.00	2.64	1903	2 256	105.25	7.41	1934	16 130	..	13.54
1873	407	3.90	2.05	1904	2 175	109.50	7.26	1935	17 026	..	7.18
1874	283	4.31	1.80	1905	1 875	..	6.62	1936	17 689	..	4.40
1875	266	2.00	3.05	1906	2 141	..	3.50	1937	20 646	..	3.10
1876	352	4.00	3.90	1907	2 235	..	1.92	1938	22 017	..	3.02
1877	344	3.59	4.92	1908	2 780	..	2.52	1939	22 520	..	3.61
1878	624	3.42	3.49	1909	3 163	..	2.88	1940	24 465	..	1.67
1879	631	4.00	3.70	1910	3 734	..	1.93	1941	35 301	..	0.31
1880	657	4.00	4.76	1911	4 733	..	0.80	1942	44 465	..	0.13
1881	634	6.00	2.93	1912	6 461	..	1.22	1943	49 898	..	0.05
1882	660	5.42	0.67	1913	8 550	..	1.95				
1883	788	6.62	1.06	1914	10 144	..	2.59				

(a) Average of quarterly figures for calendar years in 1853-76. 1877 figures are for the three quarters ending 30 Sept; 1878-94 figures are Oct-Sept; from 1895, the figures are the average of monthly figures for calendar years. Except for 1897 where the Nov figures are unknown and an 11-month average is used.

(b) Entitled to unemployment benefit.

(c) As a percentage of ASE non-superannuated membership eligible for unemployment benefit (excludes sickness benefit).

(d) Covers NSW and Vic in 1859-63.

(e) NSW, Vic, SA and Qld in 1864-91.

(f) 1905-12 excludes apprentices.

LAB 101-109 UNEMPLOYMENT RATES, STATES AND TERRITORIES
1911-1981

Census year	NSW	Vic	Qld	SA	Tas	WA	NT ^a	ACT ^b	Aust
	101	102	103	104	105	106	107	108	109
Males	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
1911	2.9	3.6	3.7	2.1	2.4	3.2			3.2
1921	7.9	6.7	11.9	5.8	5.4	6.6			7.8
1933	23.0	17.0	14.7	20.2	14.8	14.0	8.7	14.0	18.9
1947	2.7	2.1	4.1	2.2	2.3	3.4	0.4	0.2	2.7
1954	1.7	1.2	1.8	0.8	1.3	1.0	0.6	1.6	1.4
1961	3.9	4.3	5.1	3.0	3.2	3.7	2.9	2.8	4.1
1966	1.4	1.1	1.6	1.4	1.1	1.2	0.7	1.1	1.3
1971	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.4	1.7	1.8	1.1	1.4	1.5
1976	5.1	3.4	4.2	3.0	3.6	3.5	2.3	3.2	4.1
1981	5.2	5.0	5.3	7.5	7.3	5.8	4.9	4.4	5.5
Females	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
1911	2.1	2.3	2.4	1.3	2.4	3.4			2.2
1921	4.7	2.1	5.4	3.4	3.6	5.7			4.9
1933	15.0	11.0	13.9	12.1	8.6	11.6	4.1	7.0	12.9
1947	2.4	1.9	3.3	2.0	2.4	2.7	0.3	0.6	2.4
1954	2.0	1.2	2.4	1.1	1.2	1.4	0.4	2.1	1.7
1961	4.1	4.3	5.1	3.6	3.0	3.5	1.6	3.5	4.2
1966	2.4	1.7	2.7	2.7	2.4	2.2	1.7	2.9	2.2
1971	1.9	2.0	2.5	2.4	2.8	2.5	1.1	4.9	2.2
1976	5.4	4.9	5.4	4.3	4.6	4.8	3.1	3.3	5.0
1981	6.4	6.5	7.2	7.9	8.4	7.1	5.3	5.7	6.8

NOTE Workforce includes employed and unemployed salary and wage earners; those employed on their own account; 'helpers' not receiving salary or wages; and those in the 'occupation not stated' class in each census.

(a) Included in SA in 1911 and 1921.
(b) Included in NSW in 1911 and 1921.

LAB 110-115 INDEXES OF WEEKLY WAGES, COLONIES AND STATES, 1861-1914

Year 31 Dec	NSW ^a	NSW ^b	Vic ^a	Vic ^b	Qld ^a	SA ^a
	110	111	112	113	114	115
	£	£	£	£	£	£
1861	89.2	94.8	94.7	97.9	..	..
1862	93.4	92.2	96.8	93.1	..	..
1863	84.6	85.2	89.7	91.1	..	..
1864	82.5	84.6	..	91.3	..	..
1865	82.5	82.5	92.0	91.1	..	..
1866	81.9	83.7	88.7	90.8	..	..
1867	83.2	84.9	87.9	86.2	..	..
1868	85.1	81.0	87.9	83.5	..	..
1869	82.9	82.9	85.1	84.1	..	..
1870	84.8	89.7	82.9	84.1	..	..
1871	77.5	84.0	82.9	85.9	..	..
1872	84.0	90.4	97.4	87.6	..	..
1873	92.4	95.4	98.5	93.6	..	..
1874	95.4	95.4	98.7	93.5	..	..
1875	96.6	93.1	102.6	99.5	..	..
1876	102.4	93.3	102.6	97.9	..	..
1877	108.6	92.9	104.4	96.4	..	..
1878	99.4	98.5	103.1	96.6	..	..
1879	99.1	93.4	103.1	94.4	..	..
1880	88.0	92.0	103.6	94.4	..	..
1881	94.1	92.1	103.6	95.1	..	..
1882	101.4	93.9	99.7	96.8	..	..
1883	101.4	94.8	100.1	97.1	..	..
1884	101.4	94.6	101.0	93.6	..	..
1885	101.9	94.6	101.0	..	..	..
1886	94.9	94.1	100.7	..	..	..
1887	103.6	94.1	100.5	..	..	..
1888	99.3	97.9	100.5	..	..	..
1889	97.5	97.9	100.5	96.9	..	..
1890	96.0	101.0	100.3	104.7	..	..
1891	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1892	95.8	97.3	100.0	118.0	97.6	95.7
1893	89.3	93.2	99.2	90.0	94.1	89.3
1894	86.4	91.7	99.5	90.0	91.7	86.0
1895	84.5	89.4	95.4	90.2	89.3	83.9
1896	85.4	89.7	95.7	90.4	85.7	85.0
1897	84.5	89.0	96.6	88.1	85.7	83.9
1898	83.5	87.9	98.9	87.9	89.3	82.8
1899	80.6	84.6	..	87.6	90.5	80.7
1900	80.6	85.3	..	89.4	92.9	80.7
1901	..	..	..	..	94.1	87.1
1902	..	..	..	..	94.1	89.3
1903	..	..	..	..	94.1	86.0
1904	..	..	..	..	90.5	87.1
1905	..	..	..	..	91.7	83.9
1906	..	..	..	..	92.9	83.9
1907	..	..	..	..	96.4	89.3
1908	..	..	..	..	96.4	94.6
1909	..	..	..	..	101.2	96.8
1910	..	..	..	..	108.3	101.1
1911	..	..	..	..	119.1	107.5
1912	..	..	..	..	126.2	116.1
1913	..	..	..	..	132.1	122.6
1914	..	..	..	..	133.3	125.8

NOTE 1891=100. This information was compiled from two sources:

(a) N.G. Butlin, *Aust domestic product, investment and foreign borrowing 1861-1938/39*, London, CUP 1962.

(b) P.G. Macarthy, 'Wages in Australia 1891-1915', *Australian economic history review* 10, 1970, 57-76. Macarthy's index has an absolute value in 1891 £1.12.11 (NSW) and £1.8.6 (Vic); Butlin gives no absolute base.

LAB 116-123 MINIMUM WEEKLY WAGE OF MALE ADULTS, COLONIES AND STATES, 1891-1984

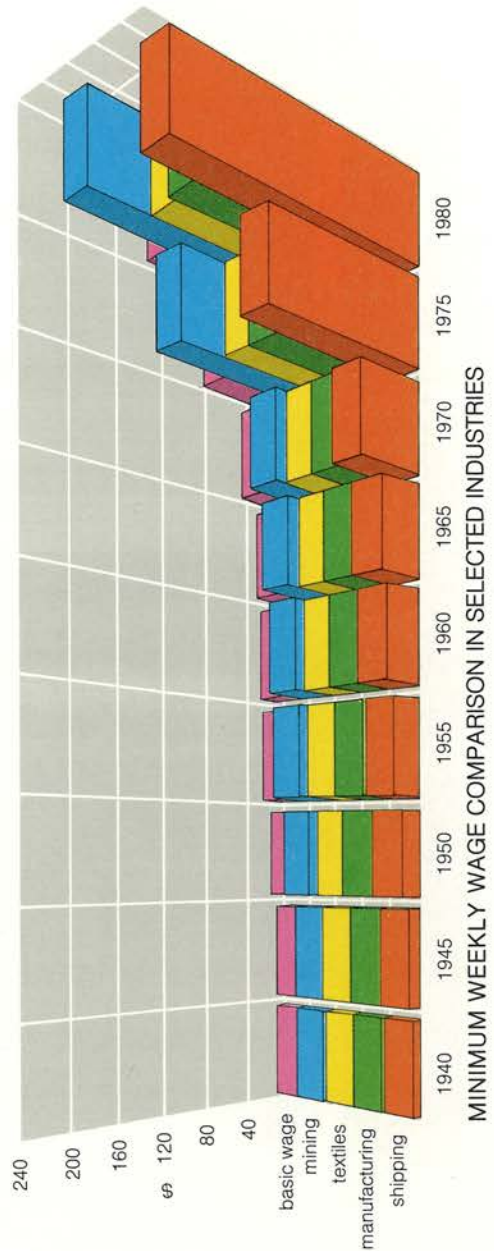
Year ^a	MINIMUM WEEKLY WAGE RATES						MINIMUM WEEKLY WAGE RATES									
	Basic wage ^b	NSW	Vic	Qld	SA	Tas	WA	Aust	Basic wage ^b	NSW	Vic	Qld	SA	Tas	WA	Aust
	116	117	118	119	120	121	122	123	116	117	118	119	120	121	122	123
1891	..	4.41	4.04	4.65	4.16	3.85	5.23	4.34	9.60	12.22	12.08	11.71	11.58	11.53	12.02	12.02
1896	..	4.21	3.88	4.47	4.17	3.55	5.36	4.18	9.60	12.25	12.11	11.81	11.60	11.56	12.03	12.06
1901	..	4.39	4.07	4.62	4.20	3.68	5.39	4.34	10.50	13.18	12.98	12.68	12.41	12.45	12.32	12.90
1906	..	4.53	4.13	4.66	4.26	3.84	5.39	4.43	10.90	14.48	14.05	13.45	13.78	13.54	13.66	14.07
1907	4.20	4.66	4.39	4.68	4.39	3.71	5.39	4.57	11.90	16.02	15.59	15.32	15.22	15.18	15.23	15.65
1908	4.20	4.68	4.46	4.73	4.45	3.71	5.43	4.61	12.90	17.14	16.84	16.52	16.44	16.43	16.83	16.87
1909	4.37	4.82	4.54	4.84	4.63	3.74	5.48	4.73	14.20	20.62	20.18	19.52	19.79	19.80	20.06	20.20
1910	4.56	4.96	4.73	4.92	4.88	3.95	5.72	4.89	20.00	25.02	24.05	22.99	23.60	23.82	24.15	24.24
1911	4.60	5.14	5.05	5.11	5.19	4.10	5.90	5.13	23.10	28.02	27.07	25.85	27.08	27.22	27.55	27.32
1912	4.82	5.43	5.32	5.18	5.38	4.78	6.10	5.38	23.60	28.73	27.86	26.47	27.35	28.33	28.37	28.02
1913	4.82	5.57	5.43	5.27	5.43	5.25	6.22	5.51	23.60	29.32	28.48	27.56	28.16	28.77	28.72	28.68
1914	5.12	5.62	5.46	5.34	5.44	5.27	6.28	5.56	23.60	30.52	29.56	28.35	28.50	29.36	30.01	29.70
1915	5.22	5.76	5.52	5.43	5.47	5.32	6.33	5.65	25.60	32.28	30.96	30.28	29.63	31.39	31.28	31.30
1916	5.46	6.19	5.88	6.03	5.90	5.70	6.52	6.07	25.60	32.45	31.60	30.43	30.69	31.85	32.16	31.74
1917	5.84	6.44	6.30	6.52	6.31	5.96	6.89	6.42	26.10	32.92	31.97	31.78	31.24	32.36	32.40	32.29
1918	6.09	6.59	6.55	6.95	6.12	7.03	6.64	6.64	27.60	35.02	34.42	33.43	33.99	34.71	34.08	34.47
1919	6.45	7.68	7.20	7.86	7.04	6.90	7.77	7.49	27.60	36.28	34.99	35.07	34.22	35.15	35.81	35.50
1920	7.01	9.15	8.61	9.15	8.27	8.58	8.98	8.98	28.80	37.34	36.22	35.98	35.46	36.27	36.38	36.58
1921	7.74	9.58	9.36	9.67	8.94	9.17	9.50	9.45	28.80	37.37	36.37	35.97	35.65	36.48	36.57	36.66
1922	8.06	9.15	9.13	9.38	8.75	8.84	9.38	9.15	28.80	38.28	37.20	37.00	36.40	37.29	37.50	37.55
1923	8.75	9.45	9.56	9.42	9.08	9.23	9.42	9.43	30.80	40.27	39.47	39.22	38.69	39.69	38.82	39.65
1924	8.30	9.35	9.54	9.58	9.18	9.25	9.47	9.42	30.80	41.08	40.34	41.66	39.48	40.73	40.49	40.76
1925	8.60	9.60	9.72	9.99	9.43	9.34	9.70	9.67	32.80	43.27	42.78	43.56	41.75	43.27	43.38	43.05
1926	8.85	10.04	9.95	10.01	9.57	9.48	9.88	9.93	37.37	45.35	44.59	45.55	43.79	45.31	45.08	45.00
1927	8.80	10.18	10.02	10.01	9.66	9.38	9.88	10.02	38.72	49.46	48.86	49.01	48.23	48.98	47.72	48.98
1928	8.70	10.26	9.97	10.12	9.62	9.33	9.95	10.04	42.22	52.38	51.74	51.91	50.76	52.00	50.69	51.86
1929	9.05	10.29	10.11	10.12	9.70	9.47	10.06	10.12	46.22	54.40	53.68	55.07	52.12	54.49	55.99	54.20
1930	8.30	9.91	9.69	9.24	9.27	9.21	9.96	9.67	46.22	61.70	61.40	62.91	59.38	60.86	61.98	61.56
1931	6.52	9.34	8.22	8.90	7.50	7.98	8.41	8.68	50.92	68.11	67.86	68.42	65.82	67.18	66.15	67.71
1932	6.30	8.49	7.78	8.84	7.26	7.81	8.17	8.18	59.92	78.13	77.42	79.82	75.20	76.80	75.66	77.69
1933	6.33	8.19	7.70	8.31	7.32	7.80	8.13	8.05	76.10	105.97	105.15	108.95	103.32	106.02	101.02	105.57
1934	6.60	8.32	7.87	8.88	7.55	7.96	8.41	8.20	82.90	118.69	117.31	121.47	115.12	117.27	113.29	117.94
1935	6.80	8.42	7.98	8.84	7.79	8.10	8.42	8.28	100.70	135.85	133.97	132.17	132.17	134.10	131.00	135.05
1936	6.80	8.55	8.31	8.86	7.95	8.33	8.85	8.48	112.30	149.91	147.45	152.76	145.55	147.46	147.73	148.99
1937	7.60	9.21	8.81	9.27	8.58	8.70	9.08	9.02	120.10	161.68	158.91	163.46	156.97	158.14	157.57	160.32
1938	7.80	9.50	9.12	9.58	8.71	8.84	9.68	9.33	123.90	169.62	167.24	169.90	166.21	166.27	164.34	168.21
1939	7.90	10.01	9.71	9.94	9.41	9.22	10.05	9.83	134.90	187.50	185.78	191.33	184.20	184.67	183.80	186.90
1940	8.30	10.38	10.09	10.01	9.85	9.61	10.39	10.18	149.20	210.07	209.91	215.95	206.74	202.56	203.76	209.85
1941	8.70	11.05	10.88	10.62	10.58	10.35	11.01	10.88	144.90	249.83	249.85	263.25	249.27	250.63	244.84	251.06
1942	9.50	11.96	11.83	11.25	11.50	11.17	11.72	11.74	151.10	263.01	263.25	275.22	261.43	258.67	257.94	264.16
1943	9.70	12.21	12.08	11.58	11.61	11.58	12.08	12.00	157.30	275.91	276.92	288.99	273.59	264.00	269.73	277.26

(a) LAB 116: annual average to 1922; 1922 onwards, as at 30 Nov, except 1934-39 and 1967-81 which end 31 Dec. LAB 117-23: as at 31 Dec.
 (b) Commonwealth; the 'basic wage' was replaced by the 'total wage' in 1967. A new 'minimum rate' was then separately declared and is the figure reported from 1967.

LAB 124-142 MINIMUM WEEKLY WAGE OF MALE ADULTS, BY INDUSTRY, AUSTRALIA 1891-1980

Year 31 Dec	MANUFACTURING													140	141	142			
	124	125	126	127	128	129	130	131	132	133	134	135	136				137	138	139
	Mining & quarries	Engin- eering metals, vehicles	Textiles, clothes, footwear	Food, drink, tobacco	Saw- milling, furniture	Paper, printing	Other	All manu- facturing groups	Build- ing & construc- tion	Railway services	Road & air trans- port	Ship- ping & stevedor- ing	Communi- cation	Whole- sale & retail trade ^a	Public authority (net) ^b	Enter- tainment, personal services	All groups (except rural)	Pastoral	All industries
1891	5.81	4.77	3.67	3.82	5.24	5.34	4.63	..	5.05	5.08	3.95	3.82	..	3.96	3.28	..	..	3.48	4.34
1901	5.47	4.84	3.63	4.46	5.23	5.10	4.64	..	5.38	5.23	4.07	3.84	..	3.88	3.07	..	..	3.21	4.34
1910	5.98	5.16	5.00	4.75	5.62	5.65	4.85	..	5.96	5.50	4.56	4.39	..	4.55	3.81	..	..	4.09	4.89
1915	6.66	6.02	5.32	5.77	6.02	6.45	5.77	..	6.58	6.08	5.33	5.26	..	5.46	4.86	..	..	4.97	5.65
1920	10.38	9.24	8.64	8.92	9.51	9.95	8.89	..	9.56	9.31	8.73	8.80	..	8.49	8.05	..	..	8.71	8.98
1925	10.86	10.03	9.32	9.65	10.12	10.95	9.82	..	10.84	10.05	9.33	10.47	..	9.39	8.91	..	..	8.73	9.67
1930	10.78	9.91	9.94	9.71	10.02	11.64	9.78	..	10.97	10.02	9.28	10.47	..	9.36	8.91	..	..	8.74	9.67
1935	9.78	8.52	8.08	8.53	8.67	10.09	8.30	..	9.41	8.48	8.01	8.52	..	7.96	7.67	..	..	7.33	8.28
1940	11.72	10.32	9.69	10.19	10.02	10.76	10.00	10.20	10.25	9.77	10.22	9.63	10.02	10.18	9.48	9.74	10.18	..	..
1945	13.87	12.22	11.58	11.99	11.79	12.77	11.86	12.07	11.97	11.78	12.16	11.76	12.38	11.94	11.38	11.52	12.06	..	..
1950	25.96	20.17	19.74	20.14	19.60	21.42	19.76	20.08	19.86	19.58	19.79	19.66	21.33	20.08	19.21	19.23	20.20	..	..
1955	36.68	29.48	28.50	29.58	28.88	31.25	29.13	29.41	29.55	29.09	29.42	27.69	31.65	29.78	28.98	28.36	29.70	..	..
1960	41.47	35.02	34.04	35.22	34.62	37.92	34.72	35.05	35.75	34.65	35.25	34.46	38.49	35.71	34.81	33.73	35.50	..	..
1965	48.54	39.71	38.62	40.53	39.55	43.09	39.71	39.92	41.42	39.91	40.69	39.79	47.45	40.54	40.27	38.55	40.76	..	..
1970	60.83	51.88	50.92	52.98	51.84	57.47	52.34	52.36	56.67	51.32	54.65	60.54	68.95	53.82	54.11	49.16	54.20	..	..
1975	146.91	110.38	108.41	114.90	111.77	119.16	113.01	111.96	127.13	108.96	116.52	144.80	141.67	117.56	120.12	108.96	117.94	..	..
1980	221.63	179.10	173.01	182.01	177.64	187.34	180.29	179.63	201.20	170.67	185.01	222.65	216.00	186.35	187.38	171.94	186.90	..	..

(a) Separate data for trade and for public authority weekly wage rates were not published before 1939.
 (b) LAB 138 includes community and business services 1939 onwards; 'net' = not elsewhere included.



LAB 143-152 MINIMUM WEEKLY WAGE OF FEMALE ADULTS, BY INDUSTRY, AUSTRALIA 1915-1980

Year 31 Dec	MANUFACTURING									
	Textiles, clothing, footwear	Food, drink, tobacco	Engin- eering, metals, vehicles ^a	Other ^a	All manu- facturing groups	Trans- port & communi- cation	Wholesale & retail trade ^a	Public authority (nei) ^b	Enter- tainment, personal services ^a	All industries ^c
	143	144	145	146	147	148	149	150	151	152
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1915	2.51	2.73	2.44	..	..	3.01	3.07	2.73		
1920	4.34	4.40	4.18	..	..	4.62	4.63	4.45		
1925	5.01	5.12	4.57	..	..	5.20	5.10	5.06		
1930	5.42	5.26	4.83	..	..	5.28	5.42	5.36		
1935	4.42	4.47	4.21	..	..	4.64	4.63	4.50		
1940	5.25	5.00	5.37	..	..	5.79	5.58	5.43		
1945	7.52	6.76	7.20	..	..	7.63	6.74	7.34		
1950	13.92	13.58	14.71	..	..	14.98	13.21	14.04		
1955	20.09	20.68	20.65	20.36	20.33	21.38	21.30	20.97	20.17	20.69
1960	24.07	24.63	24.98	24.80	24.46	26.02	26.36	25.78	24.50	25.17
1965	27.25	28.29	28.56	28.44	27.88	31.43	30.59	30.64	28.23	29.10
1970	36.59	38.22	40.24	37.79	37.72	44.19	42.12	41.92	37.97	39.68
1975	101.11	107.29	106.85	107.04	104.22	112.49	115.21	113.15	105.06	108.55
1980	165.04	173.03	173.61	170.46	168.80	171.33	184.40	179.26	166.43	173.82

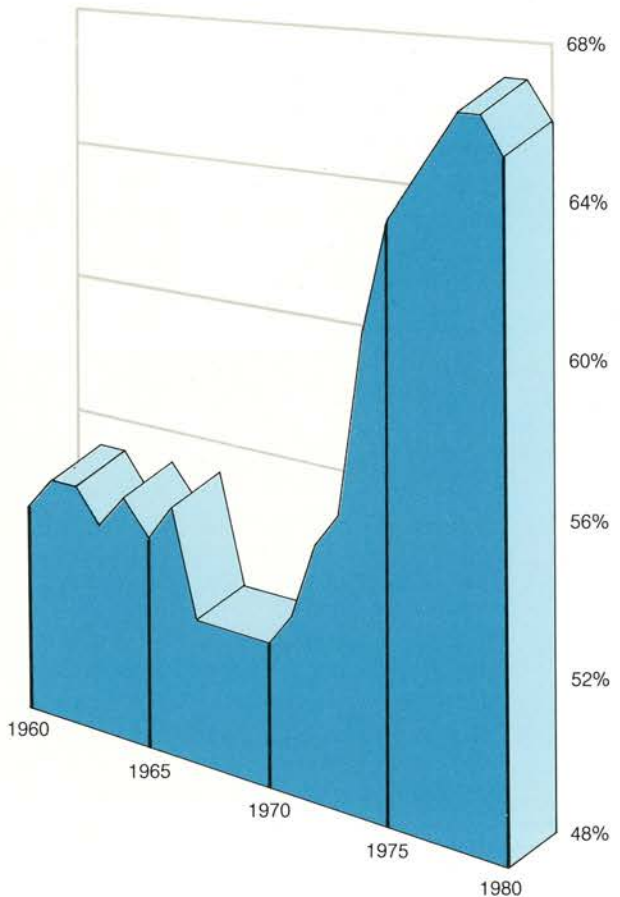
- (a) Separate data not published before 1951.
- (b) LAB 150 includes community and business services 1951 onwards; 'nei'=not elsewhere included.
- (c) Excludes rural, mining and quarrying, maritime, and building and construction.

LAB 153-154 AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS BY GENDER, AUSTRALIA 1946-1981

Year 31 Dec	Male ^a	Female ^b	Year 31 Dec	Male ^a	Female ^b
	153	154		153	154
	\$	\$		\$	\$
1946	6.37	3.12	1964	50.90	28.00
1947	6.59	3.30	1965	54.60	30.00
1948	7.44	3.79	1966	57.00	31.40
1949	8.44	4.39	1967	61.90	32.50
1950	9.26	4.82	1968	65.50	34.39
1951	11.09	5.93	1969	70.40	37.00
1952	13.65	7.51	1970	76.30	40.10
1953	14.95	8.22	1971	84.80	45.40
1954	15.69	8.63	1972	93.00	51.20
1955	16.42	9.03	1973	101.50	57.80
1956	17.51	9.63	1974	118.30	73.10
1957	19.16	10.54	1975	148.30	95.70
1958	19.67	10.82	1976	169.60	111.60
1959	40.70	22.40	1977	190.70	126.80
1960	43.90	24.10	1978	209.50	140.40
1961	46.00	25.30	1979	225.60	151.20
1962	47.20	26.00	1980	247.90	165.50
1963	48.40	26.60	1981	281.30	186.00

- (a) Average weekly earnings per employed male.
- (b) Average weekly earnings per employed female; obtained from the ratio of female to male earnings implied in the calculation of the male series.

AVERAGE FEMALE WEEKLY EARNINGS AS A PROPORTION OF MALE WEEKLY EARNINGS, 1960 TO 1980.



LAB 155-170 STANDARD WEEKLY HOURS OF WORK OF MALE ADULTS, BY INDUSTRY, AUSTRALIA
1914-1980

Year 31 Dec	MANUFACTURING															All industries ^c
	Mining & quarrying	Engin- eering metals, vehicles	Textiles, clothing, footwear	Food, drink, tobacco	Saw- milling, furni- ture	Paper, printing	Other	All manu- facturing groups	Build- ing & construc- tion	Railway services	Road & air trans- port	Com- muni- cation	Whole- sale & retail trade ^a	Public auth- ority (nei) ^b	Entert- ainment, personal services	
	155	156	157	158	159	160	161	162	163	164	165	166	167	168	169	170
1914	47.59	47.79	47.90	49.18	47.78	46.27	48.14	..	46.64	48.71	55.51	..	49.23	56.95	48.93	
1915	47.47	47.76	47.90	49.10	47.75	46.26	47.50	..	46.12	48.91	54.14	..	49.13	57.30	48.77	
1916	45.93	47.76	47.92	48.85	47.75	46.29	48.01	..	45.91	48.47	53.09	..	48.55	57.22	48.33	
1917	45.28	47.77	47.86	48.47	47.75	46.28	47.96	..	45.83	48.39	52.47	..	48.37	56.38	48.10	
1918	45.05	47.77	47.86	48.37	47.75	45.66	47.95	..	45.80	48.36	52.04	..	47.98	55.81	47.88	
1919	44.99	47.56	45.89	48.09	47.38	45.41	47.78	..	45.63	48.29	51.72	..	47.71	51.41	47.41	
1920	44.01	47.43	45.89	47.43	47.21	45.08	47.61	..	45.56	48.16	50.06	..	47.66	49.86	47.07	
1921	44.01	45.70	44.95	46.74	45.45	44.47	46.90	..	43.81	47.98	48.51	..	47.08	48.47	46.22	
1922	44.01	46.95	44.83	46.57	45.54	44.42	46.96	..	44.15	47.38	48.26	..	47.29	48.30	46.38	
1923	44.04	47.51	44.99	46.73	45.99	44.71	47.21	..	44.50	47.89	48.24	..	47.76	48.35	46.70	
1924	44.04	47.48	44.97	46.67	45.99	44.80	47.10	..	44.38	47.89	48.35	..	47.72	48.30	46.66	
1925	44.04	47.50	45.56	46.40	45.98	44.79	47.06	..	44.37	47.14	47.76	..	47.34	47.77	46.44	
1926	43.60	46.41	44.78	45.51	45.03	44.49	46.43	..	43.90	47.01	45.93	..	46.20	46.16	45.57	
1927	43.60	45.51	44.78	45.47	45.03	44.49	46.31	..	43.88	46.93	45.92	..	46.17	46.16	45.46	
1928	43.60	45.36	44.54	45.42	44.83	43.56	46.20	..	43.88	45.44	45.74	..	46.12	45.98	45.27	
1929	43.59	45.35	44.54	45.26	46.46	43.56	46.18	..	44.04	45.44	45.74	..	46.04	45.98	45.34	
1930	43.81	45.53	45.16	45.88	46.58	43.56	46.32	..	44.61	47.06	47.53	..	46.88	46.86	45.98	
1931	43.87	45.28	44.54	45.55	46.46	43.51	46.21	..	44.04	45.96	46.18	..	46.20	46.38	45.51	
1932	43.72	45.25	44.54	45.57	46.46	43.53	46.21	..	44.04	45.94	46.22	..	46.20	46.39	45.49	
1933	43.62	45.25	44.54	45.54	46.46	43.53	46.18	..	44.04	45.88	45.74	..	46.05	45.89	45.36	
1934	43.62	45.25	44.54	45.54	46.46	43.53	46.18	..	44.04	45.88	45.74	..	46.05	45.89	45.36	
1935	43.62	45.05	44.54	45.54	46.39	43.53	45.56	..	43.59	45.58	45.74	..	46.03	45.89	45.26	
1936	43.58	44.70	44.00	45.43	44.92	43.53	45.40	..	43.59	45.37	45.74	..	46.03	45.89	45.09	
1937	43.47	44.62	44.00	45.26	44.91	43.53	45.04	..	43.58	45.37	45.50	..	46.00	45.89	44.85	
1938	43.40	44.46	44.00	45.11	44.00	43.53	44.76	..	43.43	45.20	45.50	..	45.91	45.50	44.85	
1939	42.13	44.27	44.00	44.66	44.00	43.35	43.49	..	43.42	44.21	44.35	..	45.19	45.29	44.29	
1940	41.97	44.15	44.00	44.34	44.00	43.35	44.39	..	43.42	44.21	44.21	..	44.74	44.40	44.04	
1941	41.75	44.04	44.00	44.15	44.00	43.35	43.95	..	43.42	43.86	44.08	..	44.43	44.19	43.83	
1942	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1943	40.80	44.01	44.00	43.91	44.00	42.86	43.88	..	43.42	43.86	44.00	..	44.26	44.17	43.62	
1944	40.80	44.01	44.00	43.91	44.00	42.39	43.87	..	43.42	43.83	44.00	..	44.26	44.17	43.61	
1945	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1946	40.70	44.01	44.00	43.91	44.00	42.39	43.86	..	43.42	43.83	44.00	..	44.18	44.17	43.57	
1947	40.42	43.38	43.84	42.73	43.27	42.08	42.94	..	42.10	43.83	42.31	..	42.56	42.30	42.51	
1948	39.74	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	39.83	40.00	..	40.00	40.00	40.00	..	40.00	40.00	39.96	
1949	39.74	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	39.72	40.00	..	39.98	40.00	40.00	..	40.00	40.00	39.96	
1950	39.74	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	39.72	40.00	..	39.98	40.00	40.00	..	40.00	40.00	39.96	
1951	39.69	40.00	40.00	39.98	40.00	39.72	40.00	..	39.98	40.00	40.00	..	40.00	40.00	39.95	
1952	39.69	40.00	40.00	39.98	40.00	39.72	40.00	..	39.98	40.00	40.00	..	40.00	40.00	39.95	
1953	39.69	40.00	40.00	39.98	40.00	39.72	40.00	..	39.98	40.00	40.00	..	40.00	40.00	39.95	
1954	39.69	40.00	40.00	39.98	40.00	39.72	40.00	..	39.98	40.00	40.00	..	40.00	40.00	39.95	
1955	39.69	40.00	40.00	39.98	40.00	39.72	40.00	..	39.98	40.00	40.00	..	40.00	40.00	39.95	
1956	39.69	40.00	40.00	39.98	40.00	39.72	40.00	..	39.98	40.00	40.00	..	40.00	40.00	39.95	
1957	39.69	40.00	40.00	39.98	40.00	39.72	40.00	..	39.98	40.00	40.00	..	40.00	40.00	39.95	
1958	39.69	40.00	40.00	39.98	40.00	39.72	40.00	..	39.98	40.00	40.00	..	40.00	40.00	39.95	
1959	39.51	40.00	40.00	39.98	40.00	39.95	39.98	39.99	40.00	39.99	40.00	39.97	40.00	39.25	40.00	39.96
1960	39.51	40.00	40.00	39.98	40.00	39.95	39.98	39.99	40.00	39.99	40.00	39.97	40.00	39.25	40.00	39.96
1961	39.52	40.00	40.00	39.98	40.00	39.95	39.98	39.99	40.00	39.99	40.00	39.95	40.00	39.25	40.00	39.96
1962	39.52	40.00	40.00	39.98	40.00	39.95	39.98	39.99	40.00	39.99	40.00	39.95	40.00	39.25	40.00	39.96
1963	39.52	40.00	40.00	39.98	40.00	39.95	39.98	39.99	40.00	39.99	40.00	39.95	40.00	39.25	40.00	39.96
1964	39.52	40.00	40.00	39.98	40.00	39.95	39.98	39.99	40.00	39.99	40.00	39.95	40.00	39.25	40.00	39.96
1965
1966	39.52	40.00	40.00	39.98	40.00	39.95	39.98	39.99	40.00	39.99	40.00	39.95	40.00	39.25	40.00	39.96
1967	39.52	40.00	40.00	39.98	40.00	39.95	39.98	39.99	40.00	39.99	40.00	39.95	40.00	39.25	40.00	39.96
1968
1969	39.43	40.00	40.00	39.98	40.00	39.95	39.98	39.99	40.00	39.99	40.00	39.95	40.00	39.25	40.00	39.95
1970	38.24	40.00	40.00	39.98	40.00	39.95	39.98	39.99	40.00	39.99	40.00	39.95	40.00	39.25	40.00	39.91
1971	37.06	40.00	40.00	39.98	40.00	39.95	39.98	39.99	40.00	39.99	40.00	39.95	40.00	39.25	40.00	39.87
1972	37.06	40.00	40.00	39.98	40.00	39.95	39.98	39.99	40.00	39.99	40.00	39.95	40.00	39.25	40.00	39.87
1973	37.06	40.00	40.00	39.98	40.00	39.95	39.98	39.99	40.00	39.99	40.00	39.65	40.00	39.25	40.00	39.86
1974
1975	37.06	40.00	40.00	39.98	40.00	39.95	39.98	39.99	40.00	39.99	40.00	39.65	40.00	39.25	40.00	39.86
1976	37.06	39.98	40.00	39.98	40.00	39.95	39.98	39.98	40.00	39.99	40.00	38.85	40.00	39.25	40.00	39.83
1977	37.06	39.98	40.00	39.98	40.00	39.95	39.98	39.98	40.00	39.99	40.00	38.19	40.00	39.25	40.00	39.80
1978	37.06	39.98	40.00	39.98	40.00	39.95	39.98	39.98	40.00	39.99	40.00	38.19	40.00	39.25	40.00	39.80
1979	37.06	39.98	40.00	39.98	40.00	39.95	39.92	39.97	39.98	39.99	40.00	38.19	40.00	39.25	40.00	39.80
1980	37.06	39.98	40.00	39.98	40.00	39.91	39.92	39.97	39.98	39.99	40.00	38.19	40.00	39.25	40.00	39.79

(a) Separate data not available before 1959.
 (b) LAB 168 includes community and business services 1959 onwards; 'nei' = not elsewhere included.
 (c) Excludes maritime and rural industries.

*'EIGHT HOURS' LABOUR, EIGHT HOURS' RECREATION,
 EIGHT HOURS' REST.'* Thomas Embling, a supporter of the campaign for an
 eight-hour day in the 1850s.

LAB 171-180 STANDARD WEEKLY HOURS OF WORK OF ADULT FEMALES, BY INDUSTRY, AUSTRALIA 1914-1980

Year 31 Dec	Textiles, clothing, footwear	Food, drink, tobacco	Engin- eering, metals, vehicles ^a	Other ^a	All manu- facturing groups	Trans- port & communi- cation	Whole- sale & retail trade ^a	Public authority (nei) ^b	Enter- tainment, personal services	All indus- tries ^c
	171	172	173	174	175	176	177	178	179	180
1914 ^d	47.96	47.85	48.00	..	..	..	47.77	..	52.29	49.08
1915	47.93	47.65	48.00	..	..	..	49.83	..	52.22	49.12
1916	47.70	47.60	48.00	..	..	..	49.13	..	52.48	49.02
1917	47.86	47.57	48.00	..	..	..	49.03	..	51.13	48.71
1918	47.79	47.57	47.97	..	..	..	48.10	..	50.78	48.42
1919	46.33	47.37	47.92	..	..	..	47.97	..	50.14	47.54
1920	45.45	46.95	47.84	..	..	..	47.15	..	47.86	46.47
1921	44.78	45.89	47.74	..	..	..	45.43	..	47.64	45.69
1922	44.64	46.46	47.14	..	..	..	46.40	..	47.64	45.82
1923	44.64	46.64	47.22	..	..	..	47.10	..	47.64	45.98
1924	44.77	46.57	47.22	..	..	..	47.01	..	47.64	46.02
1925	44.78	46.57	47.04	..	..	..	46.44	..	47.02	45.78
1926	44.35	45.89	46.09	..	..	..	45.05	..	45.69	44.94
1927	44.35	45.82	46.09	..	..	..	45.05	..	45.69	44.94
1928	44.31	45.04	46.09	..	..	..	45.05	..	45.10	44.79
1929	44.41	45.04	46.09	..	..	..	45.05	..	45.10	44.79
1930	44.68	45.15	46.39	..	..	..	46.53	..	46.32	45.48
1931	44.41	45.04	46.17	..	..	..	45.14	..	45.43	44.88
1932	44.41	45.05	46.17	..	..	..	45.14	..	45.43	44.88
1933	44.41	45.05	46.17	..	..	..	45.14	..	45.10	44.81
1934	44.41	45.05	46.17	..	..	..	45.14	..	45.10	44.81
1935	44.41	45.05	46.17	..	..	..	45.14	..	45.10	44.81
1936	44.00	45.05	45.72	..	..	..	45.14	..	45.10	44.60
1937	44.00	44.38	45.41	..	..	..	45.14	..	45.05	44.52
1938	44.00	44.31	44.64	..	..	..	44.96	..	45.01	44.44
1939	44.00	44.43	44.25	..	..	..	44.96	..	44.64	44.36
1940	44.00	44.03	44.00	..	..	..	44.78	..	43.95	44.15
1941	44.00	44.00	44.00	..	..	..	44.36	..	43.78	44.03
1942	44.00	44.00	44.00	..	..	..	44.36	..	43.78	44.03
1943	44.00	44.00	44.00	..	..	..	44.36	..	43.78	44.03
1944	44.00	44.00	43.99	..	..	..	44.36	..	43.78	44.03
1945	44.00	44.00	43.99	..	..	..	44.36	..	43.78	44.03
1946	44.00	44.00	43.99	..	..	..	44.36	..	43.78	44.03
1947	44.00	42.79	42.49	..	..	..	41.95	..	42.26	43.08
1948	40.00	40.00	40.00	..	..	..	40.00	..	40.00	40.00
1949	40.00	40.00	40.00	..	..	..	40.00	..	40.00	40.00
1950	40.00	40.00	40.00	..	..	..	40.00	..	40.00	40.00
1951	40.00	40.00	40.00	..	..	..	40.00	..	40.00	40.00
1952	40.00	40.00	40.00	..	..	..	40.00	..	40.00	40.00
1953	40.00	40.00	40.00	..	..	..	40.00	..	40.00	40.00
1954	40.00	40.00	40.00	..	..	..	40.00	..	40.00	40.00
1955	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1956	40.00	40.00	40.00	..	..	..	40.00	..	40.00	40.00
1957	40.00	40.00	40.00	..	..	..	40.00	..	40.00	40.00
1958	40.00	40.00	40.00	..	..	..	40.00	..	40.00	40.00
1959	39.98	40.00	39.94	39.87	39.95	37.91	39.82	38.93	39.66	39.67
1960	39.98	40.00	39.94	39.87	39.95	37.91	39.82	38.93	39.66	39.67
1961	39.98	40.00	39.94	39.87	39.95	37.91	39.82	38.93	39.66	39.67
1962	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1963	39.98	40.00	39.94	39.87	39.95	37.91	39.82	38.93	39.66	39.67
1964	39.98	40.00	39.94	39.87	39.95	37.91	39.82	38.93	39.68	39.67
1965	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1966	39.98	40.00	39.94	39.87	39.95	37.91	39.82	38.93	39.68	39.67
1967	39.98	40.00	39.94	39.87	39.95	37.91	39.82	38.92	39.68	39.67
1968	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1969	39.98	40.00	39.94	39.87	39.95	37.91	39.82	38.92	39.68	39.67
1970	39.98	40.00	39.94	39.87	39.95	37.91	39.82	38.92	39.68	39.67
1971	39.98	40.00	39.94	39.87	39.95	37.91	39.82	38.92	39.68	39.67
1972	39.98	40.00	39.94	39.87	39.95	37.91	39.82	38.92	39.68	39.67
1973	39.98	40.00	39.94	39.87	39.95	37.91	39.82	38.92	39.68	39.67
1974	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1975	39.98	40.00	39.94	39.87	39.95	37.91	39.82	38.92	39.68	39.67
1976	39.98	40.00	39.94	39.87	39.95	37.91	39.82	38.92	39.68	39.67
1977	39.98	40.00	39.94	39.87	39.95	37.91	39.82	38.92	39.68	39.67
1978	39.98	40.00	39.94	39.87	39.95	37.91	39.82	38.92	39.68	39.67
1979	39.98	40.00	39.94	39.87	39.95	37.91	39.82	38.92	39.68	39.67
1980	39.98	40.00	39.94	39.87	39.95	37.91	39.82	38.92	39.68	39.67

(a) Separate data not available before 1959.

(b) LAB 178 includes community and business services 1959 onwards; 'nei'=not elsewhere included.

(c) Excludes rural, mining and quarrying, maritime, and building and construction.

(d) As at 30 Apr.

‘... the call of the eight hours movement has not yet been achieved by the majority of women.’ Linda Rubinstein, 1977.

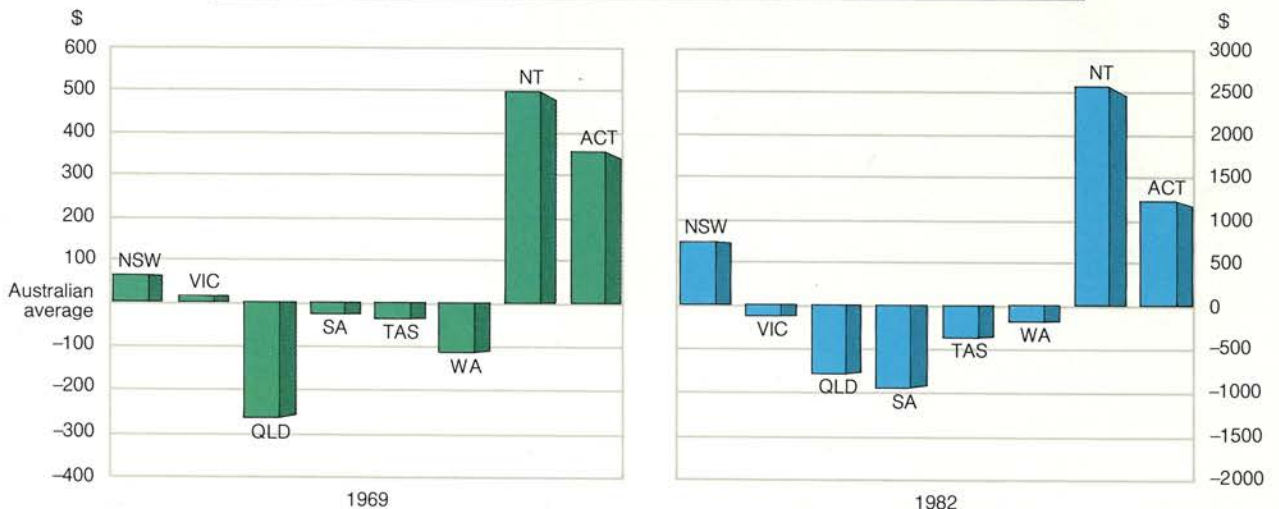
LAB 181-185 AVERAGE ANNUAL EARNINGS IN MANUFACTURING, COLONIES 1861-1900

Year 31 Dec	NSW	Vic	Qld	Tas	Aust ^a	Year 31 Dec	NSW	Vic	Qld	Tas	Aust ^a
	181	182	183	184	185		181	182	183	184	185
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1861	..	..	152.4	108	..	1881	171.6	151.2	137.4	114	152.3
1862	..	152.2	138.2	114	..	1882	185.0	153.6	140.0	124	158.9
1863	154.2	132.6	120.0	102	134.7	1883	185.0	156.8	140.4	124	160.3
1864	150.6	133.8	120.2	100	134.1	1884	185.0	159.8	140.6	124	161.5
1865	150.6	137.0	124.6	100	136.2	1885	185.8	159.8	140.6	130	162.2
1866	149.2	137.0	124.6	100	135.8	1886	173.0	156.4	140.4	134	156.9
1867	151.8	137.0	124.6	100	136.6	1887	188.8	156.4	140.4	136	162.4
1868	155.2	132.6	120.0	102	135.0	1888	181.2	154.8	140.2	134	159.1
1869	151.2	132.6	120.0	100	133.6	1889	177.8	155.0	140.2	132	157.9
1870	154.6	155.2	139.0	102	148.1	1890	175.0	156.8	142.2	132	158.1
1871	141.2	137.0	124.6	96	133.4	1891	182.2	160.0	145.4	130	162.4
1872	153.2	153.8	138.0	98	146.6	1892	174.6	154.0	140.0	120	155.6
1873	168.4	155.2	139.0	114	153.2	1893	162.8	154.2	140.0	116	151.1
1874	174.0	155.2	139.0	116	155.1	1894	157.4	135.6	123.2	114	138.6
1875	176.2	156.4	142.2	116	156.9	1895	154.0	136.4	123.6	116	137.8
1876	186.6	154.0	140.0	124	159.4	1896	155.8	136.4	132.0	114	140.2
1877	198.0	154.0	140.0	132	163.7	1897	154.0	129.2	108.0	110	131.1
1878	181.2	154.4	140.0	120	157.6	1898	152.2	131.4	112.0	106	131.7
1879	180.6	154.8	140.2	120	157.6	1899	147.0	126.0	124.0	104	130.6
1880	160.6	152.4	138.0	108	148.8	1900	147.0	132.8	122.0	100	131.9

(a) The Aust figure has been obtained by equating Tas and Qld with the missing data for WA and SA.

LAB 186-194 AVERAGE ANNUAL EARNINGS IN MANUFACTURING, STATES 1969-1982

Year 31 June	NSW	Vic	Qld	SA	Tas	WA	NT	ACT	Aust
	186	187	188	189	190	191	192	193	194
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1969	3 209	3 159	2 883	3 128	3 119	3 033	3 647	3 498	3 151
1970	3 465	3 410	3 084	3 312	3 282	3 457	3 625	3 706	3 397
1971	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1972	4 241	4 059	3 822	3 926	3 935	4 141	5 009	4 473	4 102
1973	4 694	4 560	4 271	4 379	4 346	4 463	6 383	4 882	4 564
1974	5 678	5 456	5 176	5 272	5 221	5 275	7 810	6 147	5 454
1975	7 096	6 910	5 178	6 628	6 825	6 749	9 494	7 407	6 925
1976	8 156	7 960	6 642	7 583	7 720	7 909	10 223	8 298	7 979
1977	9 525	9 029	7 792	8 590	8 958	9 127	11 146	9 238	9 061
1978	10 157	9 760	8 856	9 317	9 680	9 782	12 297	10 484	9 839
1979	10 914	10 492	9 415	9 990	10 312	10 547	13 900	11 174	10 575
1980	12 133	11 603	10 118	11 168	11 509	11 423	13 358	12 044	11 706
1981	13 604	12 979	11 033	12 365	13 192	12 925	15 920	13 807	13 107
1982	15 472	14 789	14 091	13 911	14 472	14 640	17 432	16 092	14 879



AVERAGE ANNUAL EARNINGS BY STATE IN MANUFACTURING IN RELATION TO THE AUSTRALIAN AVERAGE, 1969 AND 1982

LABOUR

LAB 195-208 AVERAGE ANNUAL EARNINGS IN MANUFACTURING, BY GENDER, STATES 1909-1968

Year	MALE							FEMALE						
	NSW	Vic	Qld	SA	Tas	WA	Aust	NSW	Vic	Qld	SA	Tas	WA	Aust
	195	196	197	198	199	200	201	202	203	204	205	206	207	208
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1909	208	191	..	..	..	..	..	76	71	..	..	..	..	..
1910	216	202	..	..	..	..	..	87	75	..	..	..	..	..
1911	228	213	..	227	187	..	..	86	82	..	82	70	..	..
1912	245	230	213	243	202	304	238	97	90	82	83	74	113	92
1913	256	238	226	255	210	294	247	101	94	87	88	80	111	95
1914	262	248	227	262	218	305	254	106	97	88	90	83	109	99
1915	262	258	236	246	214	284	256	106	100	89	85	97	107	100
1916	283	258	247	246	232	312	267	107	100	93	85	96	114	102
1917	299	273	287	290	240	314	287	115	108	101	94	99	115	109
1918	298	282	292	306	256	313	292	123	115	112	103	105	127	117
30 June														
1919	336	312	337	326	281	332	326	137	130	129	116	116	135	131
1920	378	345	349	336	305	344	357	155	152	150	133	130	141	151
1921	440	405	412	393	363	406	417	183	175	178	155	155	176	177
1922	455	437	432	416	401	445	441	191	192	192	163	167	189	189
1923	446	442	435	416	418	451	444	203	199	186	170	172	189	197
1924	467	460	426	440	420	447	455	199	209	185	182	171	194	201
1925	472	461	452	443	444	455	462	203	211	190	186	181	192	204
1926	480	472	454	462	440	465	483	208	219	200	193	180	202	214
1927	501	485	475	472	443	468	487	219	225	221	199	187	213	220
1928	514	493	468	485	436	484	496	226	229	208	205	179	216	224
1929	517	483	469	479	436	495	495	226	226	190	206	190	214	221
1930	521	484	465	477	449	500	496	229	227	234	206	185	217	226
1931	489	443	437	435	424	478	460	215	205	183	186	170	201	205
1932	452	401	408	383	385	427	421	197	189	163	162	166	184	188
1933	427	389	402	377	378	416	405	192	178	162	159	158	178	181
1934	414	383	416	371	364	413	399	184	177	166	157	163	173	177
1935	417	387	440	380	367	421	405	181	181	169	161	156	175	178
1936	425	398	444	387	382	426	413	183	187	172	161	171	174	182
1937	433	412	452	411	396	437	425	185	194	173	166	172	181	187
1938	461	438	464	424	412	455	449	199	207	183	171	183	187	199
1939	478	449	477	442	424	471	464	207	217	192	173	186	199	208
1940	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1941	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1942	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1943	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1944	704	698	653	630	620	633	685	344	359	303	341	323	300	345
1945	686	672	649	611	603	623	666	340	351	306	330	314	286	339
1946	671	662	629	611	603	613	654	345	359	312	312	318	285	344
1947	710	699	645	663	647	630	690	381	392	334	339	347	310	377
1948	812	803	714	771	740	699	788	430	446	383	399	405	347	428
1949	912	916	810	884	851	781	892	490	522	434	456	469	417	494
1950	999	1022	894	975	931	867	984	541	583	482	515	531	463	548
1951	1218	1221	1034	1167	1117	1031	1183	676	711	580	644	645	559	676
1952	1514	1473	1252	1433	1374	1287	1451	857	873	710	811	809	703	844
1953	1616	1586	1403	1560	1522	1424	1566	947	967	801	904	897	801	936
1954	1688	1667	1467	1649	1584	1508	1642	998	1022	836	932	956	844	986
1955	1813	1783	1547	1766	1666	1596	1756	1030	1059	863	954	974	868	1019
1956	1935	1910	1606	1851	1810	1679	1868	1080	1095	890	994	1000	899	1060
1957	2020	1964	1715	1907	1940	1713	1942	1138	1156	929	1015	1074	935	1116
1958	2068	2047	1763	1941	2037	1769	2003	1174	1196	975	1073	1139	958	1156
1959	2130	2105	1584	1985	2053	1810	2062	1215	1211	1012	1087	1108	979	1183
1960	2291	2291	1944	2176	2183	1902	2224	1302	1299	1057	1151	1221	1034	1267
1961	2408	2367	2013	2250	2262	2010	2318	1354	1314	1100	1184	1275	1101	1303
1962	2445	2397	2093	2281	2293	2053	2356	1387	1361	1140	1221	1313	1123	1342
1963	2499	2491	2127	2377	2367	2109	2425	1414	1395	1145	1241	1336	1141	1369
1964	2618	2621	2254	2457	2491	2201	2542	1448	1432	1182	1312	1367	1163	1406
1965	2812	2834	2476	2689	2644	2337	2746	1537	1526	1290	1372	1454	1228	1496
1966	2913	2921	2600	2720	2730	2538	2843	1623	1584	1369	1420	1457	1295	1565
1967	3105	3120	2725	2880	2939	2755	3028	1708	1691	1462	1502	1567	1411	1660
1968	3277	3299	2888	3092	3085	2974	3206	1798	1773	1538	1592	1668	1522	1746

NOTE From 1969 the ABS *Economic census* ceased to record males and females separately.

On 31 December 1958 New South Wales legislated for equal pay for 'work of the same or a like nature' performed by men and women, but it was not until the 1970s that this principle became reality.

LAB 209-226 TRADE UNIONS AND MEMBERSHIP, STATES, 1912-1984

Year 31 Dec	NUMBER OF UNIONS										NUMBER OF MEMBERS									
	NSW	Vic	Qld	SA	Tas	WA	NT	ACT	Aust		NSW	Vic	Qld	SA	Tas	WA	NT	ACT	Aust	
	209	210	211	212	213	214	215	216	217	218	219	220	221	222	223	224	225	226		
1912	177	151	67	78	51	97			408	192.6	116.6	44.8	37.3	8.7	33.3			433.2		
1913	201	162	94	86	60	107			432	230.7	130.2	51.7	40.1	10.0	35.3			497.9		
1914	197	170	86	87	62	104	3		430	240.0	138.8	55.6	41.0	9.1	38.1	0.6		523.3		
1915	203	161	89	87	66	104	3		415	242.0	142.0	58.3	39.3	9.3	36.0			528.0		
1916	199	151	93	86	66	107	3		392	244.1	147.6	66.8	42.5	10.3	33.9	1.4		546.6		
1917	220	156	96	93	71	108	3		389	248.9	148.7	75.4	45.4	10.9	33.3	1.7		564.2		
1918	217	158	102	101	74	111	4		394	243.2	152.1	87.7	51.6	11.9	33.8	1.6		581.8		
1919	211	160	106	101	77	112	4		394	255.9	164.6	97.4	56.9	13.6	38.2	1.2		627.7		
1920	214	158	115	104	81	121	3		388	277.5	187.1	103.8	56.0	15.2	44.1	0.8		684.4		
1921	213	159	118	108	79	116	3		382	285.6	196.0	103.8	55.7	15.8	45.3	0.7		703.0		
1922	217	169	118	106	83	117	3		387	284.7	206.3	100.9	55.2	14.3	41.4	0.1		702.9		
1923	204	160	119	110	87	115	2		383	267.3	206.0	109.2	60.8	14.1	42.3	0.1		699.7		
1924	202	158	117	109	84	117	4		376	274.8	217.0	112.2	65.8	15.5	43.3	0.4		729.2		
1925	188	154	107	101	75	114	4		382	309.0	220.9	127.7	73.6	15.1	48.9	0.4		795.7		
1926	191	157	109	108	79	121	3		372	329.3	230.5	143.0	79.9	15.8	52.6	0.4		851.5		
1927	186	149	104	106	81	130	3		369	355.1	247.6	150.7	79.8	16.7	60.6	1.2		911.7		
1928	197	151	102	106	80	128	4		379	357.4	242.2	154.8	75.7	18.5	61.5	1.5		911.5		
1929	195	151	106	105	81	129	4		374	354.4	240.8	154.6	69.5	17.2	63.6	1.0		901.2		
1930	190	151	107	106	82	127	4	13	362	342.1	229.3	141.0	63.3	16.8	60.2	1.0	1.0	855.8		
1931	189	150	107	110	78	129	4	13	362	314.8	204.0	123.1	62.1	16.2	52.2	0.8	0.9	769.0		
1932	189	151	107	110	78	129	4	13	361	313.2	197.0	110.1	54.1	14.7	50.2	0.8	0.9	740.8		
1933	183	149	107	109	80	128	4	15	356	302.0	195.1	121.3	54.2	13.6	51.4	0.7	1.0	739.4		
1934	185	149	106	109	79	128	4	15	355	312.6	195.9	129.4	55.1	13.5	54.2	0.8	1.0	762.6		
1935	182	147	109	112	77	130	4	15	354	309.7	199.1	148.1	59.1	14.6	58.3	0.9	1.1	790.8		
1936	184	147	111	114	76	132	5	15	356	315.5	201.6	159.0	59.9	15.8	60.8	1.0	1.2	814.8		
1937	184	147	110	113	76	132	6	15	358	333.9	209.8	162.2	63.8	19.2	65.1	0.9	1.5	856.3		
1938	194	147	111	114	78	136	6	15	366	346.8	215.0	169.6	62.4	21.1	67.9	0.8	1.5	885.2		
1939	200	149	114	117	79	141	4	15	380	358.4	216.8	180.7	67.3	22.1	67.8	0.8	1.7	915.5		
1940	196	147	115	118	77	140	4	15	381	364.2	232.3	189.7	73.5	24.6	68.3	1.4	1.9	955.9		
1941	193	146	115	117	76	141	4	15	374	425.5	270.3	192.0	95.3	24.3	65.0	1.4	1.8	1075.7		
1942	194	142	113	113	73	138	4	15	377	483.0	302.8	190.6	111.4	26.9	64.5	1.4	1.8	1182.4		
1943	192	142	113	113	73	138	4	15	375	498.2	311.8	194.2	107.3	26.1	63.9	1.4	2.0	1204.9		
1944	189	141	112	112	72	136	4	15	370	508.8	315.0	192.1	104.9	26.9	67.6	1.4	2.1	1218.8		
1945	184	139	110	112	71	132	4	15	362	501.8	306.6	192.1	104.3	27.1	71.5	1.4	2.0	1200.4		
1946	207	151	120	126	78	142	5	17	392	537.3	329.0	202.7	104.3	29.1	77.5	2.0	2.4	1284.4		
1947	212	152	122	128	79	145	8	19	395	566.3	343.2	221.7	112.4	34.1	81.9	2.4	3.5	1365.5		
1948	214	156	128	136	90	150	10	21	364	596.9	370.9	238.6	119.1	36.8	87.8	2.3	3.5	1455.8		
1949	212	150	125	138	97	152	12	21	349	606.1	382.5	259.3	127.3	40.7	97.7	2.9	4.4	1520.9		
1950	222	152	128	138	98	156	14	28	360	642.1	406.3	262.6	137.5	45.0	103.6	2.4	5.7	1605.3		
1951	225	156	128	137	101	152	17	29	359	678.3	433.4	277.0	140.1	47.4	105.5	2.8	5.7	1690.3		
1952	223	159	129	139	98	151	15	31	360	649.2	416.3	274.9	137.5	46.9	105.5	2.3	4.8	1637.5		
1953	224	159	129	138	98	152	18	28	365	665.7	424.4	285.7	140.2	48.3	107.6	2.5	5.3	1679.8		
1954	228	158	129	138	98	154	18	29	371	732.7	433.9	305.3	147.6	50.3	109.6	2.2	5.0	1787.5		
1955	235	160	130	138	101	154	20	32	372	732.0	446.4	305.5	146.4	51.4	112.0	2.4	5.8	1801.9		

NOTE: Total union membership before 1912 was ('000): 1891, 54.9; 1896, 55.1; 1901, 97.2; 1906, 175.5; 1911, 364.7.

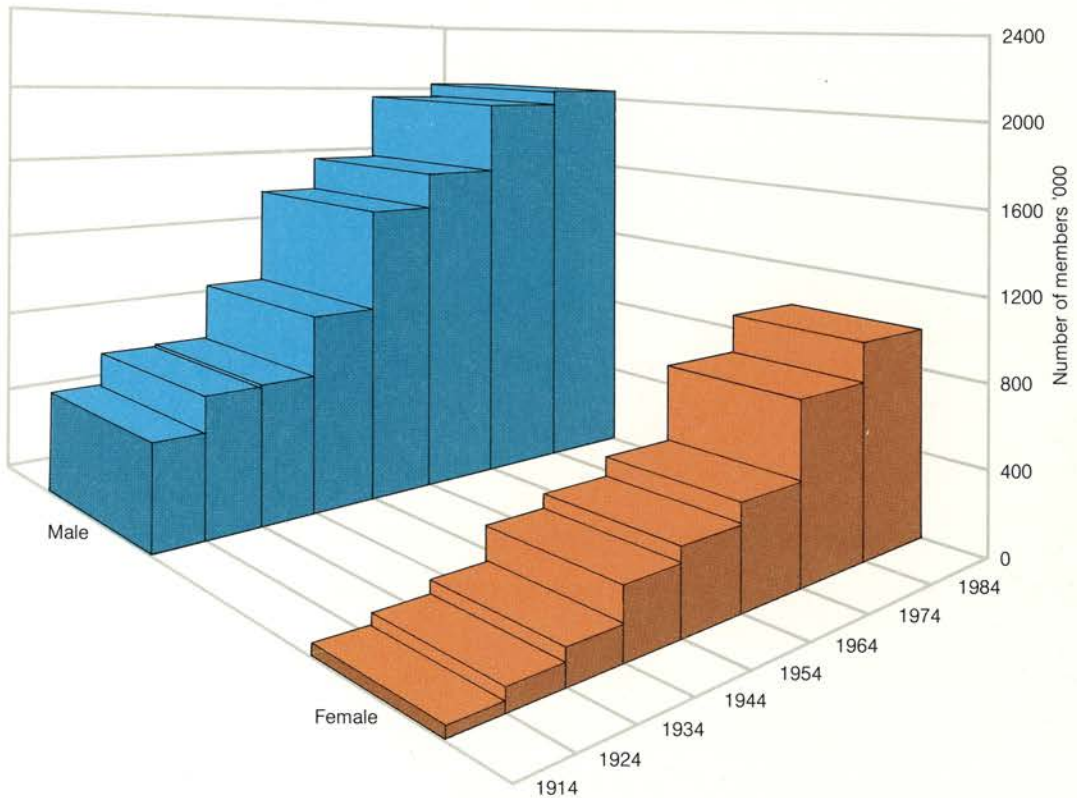
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Year 31 Dec	NUMBER OF UNIONS										NUMBER OF MEMBERS									
	NSW	Vic	Qld	SA	Tas	WA	NT	ACT	Aust	NSW	Vic	Qld	SA	Tas	WA	NT	ACT	Aust		
	209	210	211	212	213	214	215	216	217	218	219	220	221	222	223	224	225	226		
1956	237	162	135	140	101	157	23	33	375	736.2	441.3	314.8	147.7	52.7	110.4	2.4	6.0	1811.4		
1957	235	162	133	137	98	156	21	33	373	737.4	443.0	310.8	144.9	52.0	114.1	2.4	5.6	1810.2		
1958	231	161	131	136	98	156	20	30	370	731.4	444.2	313.7	147.0	51.5	114.5	2.4	6.5	1811.2		
1959	234	159	129	135	97	154	23	29	369	741.6	461.3	322.2	147.1	54.1	114.5	2.6	7.4	1850.7		
1960	231	157	133	136	101	155	25	31	363	768.5	479.2	327.4	153.5	56.0	115.9	3.1	8.8	1912.4		
1961	226	156	133	134	103	152	24	34	355	743.6	486.8	329.7	151.5	56.9	115.0	2.9	8.3	1894.6		
1962	222	155	135	133	103	152	23	38	347	765.5	498.0	334.0	160.4	57.3	121.0	3.3	11.0	1950.5		
1963	227	154	137	134	103	154	30	54	347	782.7	514.9	339.4	161.1	57.4	129.0	3.3	15.7	2003.5		
1964	223	157	141	137	111	154	30	59	340	795.1	525.8	350.6	166.9	59.9	135.1	3.4	18.0	2054.8		
1965	222	156	140	137	109	155	33	64	334	825.8	537.8	353.3	174.0	63.4	139.2	3.5	19.1	2116.2		
1966	220	154	140	136	110	157	38	66	330	817.3	539.4	351.6	178.5	65.5	146.6	4.1	20.7	2123.5		
1967	213	152	138	133	107	155	40	65	324	832.8	545.5	344.0	182.2	68.1	152.3	4.5	22.0	2131.3		
1968	212	166	139	136	115	160	44	71	365	865.5	554.0	335.9	186.3	66.7	165.7	5.6	24.1	2203.9		
1969	211	165	139	137	116	160	47	71	358	888.8	563.3	333.7	194.9	68.7	168.3	5.9	26.0	2249.7		
1970	211	169	143	143	119	162	49	82	351	916.4	595.3	330.4	203.6	72.3	177.0	6.6	28.9	2330.5		
1971	209	170	146	143	115	158	57	82	355	976.0	622.1	337.8	216.2	74.1	184.7	8.1	32.3	2451.4		
1972	202	167	141	147	112	155	59	84	346	992.4	655.2	343.8	224.7	79.1	192.1	11.1	39.7	2538.1		
1973	194	168	144	140	118	155	61	88	332	1036.1	684.8	362.5	242.9	82.1	203.7	13.5	47.5	2673.0		
1974	193	172	142	143	123	154	69	89	332	1052.2	715.0	375.6	254.5	87.0	223.4	16.4	52.6	2776.5		
1975	191	171	140	142	122	150	67	91	323	1078.2	726.5	392.6	257.0	86.0	225.1	15.2	52.9	2833.4		
1976	188	172	138	143	120	149	70	90	322	1046.1	720.5	387.7	256.9	85.5	233.0	16.3	53.8	2800.0		
1977	188	172	137	143	122	153	70	90	324	1015.7	729.1	388.4	267.2	90.2	238.9	16.2	52.3	2797.9		
1978	190	174	138	142	123	153	71	86	330	1047.5	735.7	383.6	270.4	88.9	234.8	17.4	52.7	2830.8		
1979	192	174	139	142	121	153	77	88	328	1060.8	750.0	393.8	272.2	88.2	236.7	18.8	53.0	2873.6		
1980	192	173	137	143	122	150	78	93	325	1108.7	770.1	408.1	271.6	88.4	234.7	20.3	53.9	2955.9		
1981	191	173	138	141	123	173	75	91	324	1145.6	771.7	421.0	263.1	89.8	229.1	20.1	53.7	2994.1		
1982	187	175	142	143	124	148	78	93	322	1127.5	790.1	438.8	258.7	88.1	234.5	20.2	54.4	3012.4		
1983	186	174	138	141	123	146	75	92	319	1108.7	788.2	430.2	257.8	88.6	237.5	20.6	53.6	2985.2		
1984	190	179	138	142	127	148	75	89	329	1114.5	805.9	434.9	258.4	91.3	244.2	20.3	58.9	3028.5		

*Where the Parramatta flows, each fellow worker knows,
 They have bullied and oppressed us, but still our Union grows,
 And we've got to find a way, boys, for shorter hours and better pay, boys,
 And we're going to win the day, boys; where the Parramatta flows.'*
 Songs of the Industrial Workers of the World, Sydney 1916. The IWW, whose members
 were popularly known as the 'Wobblies', wanted to unite all workers into 'one big union'.

LAB 227-228 TRADE UNION MEMBERSHIP BY GENDER, 1912-1984

Year 31 Dec	Males	Females	Year 31 Dec	Males	Females	Year 31 Dec	Males	Females
	227	228		227	228		227	228
	'000	'000		'000	'000		'000	'000
1912	415.5	17.7	1937	720.6	135.7	1962	1561.9	388.6
1913	477.6	20.3	1938	748.8	136.4	1963	1588.5	415.0
1914	500.7	22.6	1939	778.4	137.1	1964	1624.0	430.8
1915	499.1	28.9	1940	806.6	149.3	1965	1663.4	452.8
1916	507.0	39.6	1941	886.7	189.0	1966	1657.5	466.0
1917	518.6	45.6	1942	943.5	238.9	1967	1663.7	487.6
1918	531.1	50.7	1943	936.0	268.9	1968	1697.7	506.2
1919	564.3	63.4	1944	944.8	274.0	1969	1720.9	528.8
1920	606.6	77.8	1945	941.3	259.1	1970	1759.3	571.3
1921	622.5	80.5	1946	1028.6	255.8	1971	1819.7	631.7
1922	616.9	86.0	1947	1087.4	278.1	1972	1833.6	704.6
1923	608.8	90.9	1948	1172.7	283.1	1973	1909.6	763.6
1924	640.8	88.4	1949	1266.8	294.1	1974	1969.5	807.2
1925	699.4	96.3	1950	1301.8	303.5	1975	1976.3	847.2
1926	745.7	105.8	1951	1368.7	321.6	1976	1956.8	843.3
1927	793.2	118.5	1952	1354.2	283.3	1977	1940.6	857.4
1928	785.2	126.3	1953	1381.1	298.7	1978	1969.2	861.5
1929	774.0	127.2	1954	1448.2	339.3	1979	1971.4	902.2
1930	735.8	120.0	1955	1464.0	337.9	1980	2009.5	946.3
1931	656.1	112.9	1956	1470.6	340.8	1981	2029.4	964.7
1932	630.7	110.1	1957	1464.0	346.2	1982	2024.4	988.0
1933	626.3	113.1	1958	1465.7	345.5	1983	2007.2	978.0
1934	641.4	121.2	1959	1494.7	356.0	1984	2041.2	987.3
1935	662.4	128.4	1960	1534.4	378.0			
1936	685.8	129.0	1961	1521.9	372.7			



A COMPARISON OF FEMALE AND MALE TRADE UNION MEMBERSHIP, 1914-1984

LAB 229-235 INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES, AUSTRALIA 1913-1984

Year 31 Dec	WORKERS INVOLVED					Wages lost \$'000	
	Disputes	Directly	Indirectly	Total	Working days lost ^a		
	229	230	231	232	233	234	235
		'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000
1913	208	33.5	16.8	50.3	622.5	12.38	576
1914	337	43.1	28.0	71.0	993.2	13.98	1 001
1915	358	57.0	24.3	81.3	683.0	8.40	700
1916	508	128.5	42.1	170.7	1644.8	9.64	1 890
1917	444	154.1	19.9	174.0	4689.3	26.95	5 284
1918	298	42.6	13.9	56.4	539.6	9.56	690
1919	460	100.3	57.3	157.6	4303.7	27.31	5 238
1920	554	102.5	53.0	155.6	3587.3	23.06	4 741
1921	624	120.2	44.9	165.1	1286.2	7.79	1 941
1922	445	100.3	16.1	116.3	858.7	7.38	1 503
1923	274	66.1	10.2	76.3	1146.0	15.02	2 551
1924	504	132.6	19.9	152.4	918.6	6.03	1 835
1925	499	154.6	22.1	176.7	1128.6	6.39	2 215
1926	360	80.8	32.3	113.0	1310.3	11.59	2 832
1927	441	157.6	43.2	200.8	1713.6	8.54	3 353
1928	287	82.3	14.1	96.4	777.3	8.06	1 551
1929	259	87.5	17.1	104.6	4461.5	42.65	9 139
1930	183	52.0	2.3	54.2	1511.2	27.87	3 185
1931	134	34.5	3.1	37.7	246.0	6.53	456
1932	127	29.3	3.6	32.9	212.3	6.45	331
1933	90	27.0	3.1	30.1	112.0	3.72	190
1934	155	47.0	3.9	50.9	370.4	7.28	636
1935	183	44.8	2.5	47.3	495.1	10.46	781
1936	235	57.1	3.5	60.6	497.2	8.21	938
1937	342	92.1	4.1	96.2	557.1	5.79	1 014
1938	376	132.5	11.5	144.0	1338.0	9.29	2 608
1939	416	143.2	9.6	152.8	459.2	3.00	911
1940	350	178.9	13.7	192.6	1507.3	7.83	3 432
1941	567	240.8	7.3	248.1	984.2	3.97	2 000
1942	602	166.2	3.1	169.3	378.2	2.23	912
1943	785	288.0	8.1	296.1	990.2	3.34	2 307
1944	941	260.8	15.6	276.4	912.8	3.30	2 224
1945	945	299.6	16.3	315.9	2119.6	6.71	5 135
1946	869	331.9	16.7	348.5	1947.8	5.59	4 580
1947	982	280.7	46.4	327.1	1338.7	4.09	3 796
1948	1141	301.0	16.1	317.1	1662.7	5.24	4 598
1949	849	260.7	3.9	264.6	1334.0	5.04	5 223
1950	1276	391.5	40.2	431.7	2062.9	4.78	8 333
1951	1344	380.4	28.2	408.6	873.0	2.14	4 512
1952	1627	488.2	17.6	505.7	1163.5	2.30	6 880
1953	1459	483.8	12.2	496.0	1050.8	2.12	6 675
1954	1490	355.6	14.5	370.1	901.6	2.44	6 042
1955	1532	424.3	20.3	444.6	1010.9	2.27	6 621
1956	1306	414.6	13.4	428.0	1121.4	2.62	7 934
1957	1103	326.0	11.0	337.0	630.2	1.87	4 617
1958	987	275.6	7.3	282.8	439.9	1.56	3 181
1959	869	229.5	8.0	237.5	365.0	1.54	2 754
1960	1145	592.1	11.2	603.3	725.1	1.20	5 854
1961	815	288.5	11.8	300.4	606.8	2.02	5 448
1962	1183	330.8	23.0	353.9	508.8	1.44	4 244
1963	1250	398.6	14.1	412.7	581.6	1.41	4 992
1964	1334	528.8	16.8	545.6	911.4	1.67	8 561
1965	1346	460.2	14.8	475.0	815.9	1.72	8 198
1966	1273	385.0	9.9	394.9	732.1	1.85	7 302
1967	1340	472.2	11.1	483.3	705.3	1.46	7 263
1968	1713	700.8	19.5	720.3	1079.5	1.50	12 115
1969	2014	1244.0	41.2	1285.2	1958.0	1.52	22 986
1970	2738	1304.2	63.3	1367.4	2393.7	1.75	30 883
1971	2404	1267.7	58.8	1326.5	3068.6	2.31	45 241
1972	2298	1041.2	72.6	1113.8	2010.3	1.80	32 074
1973	2538	758.0	45.0	803.0	2634.7	3.28	45 206
1974	2809	1947.1	57.8	2004.8	6292.5	3.14	128 302
1975	2432	1343.8	54.1	1398.0	3509.9	2.51	95 761
1976	2055	2137.3	52.6	2189.9	3799.2	1.73	114 552
1977	2090	539.4	56.8	596.2	1654.8	2.78	59 674
1978	2277	1011.9	63.7	1075.6	2130.8	1.98	78 404
1979	2042	1818.0	44.9	1862.9	3964.4	2.13	148 614
1980	2429	1108.9	64.0	1172.8	3320.2	2.83	152 022
1981	2915	1175.2	76.6	1251.8	4192.2	3.35	221 779
1982	2060	697.4	25.5	722.9	2158.0	2.99	133 624
1983	1787	445.1	25.4	470.5	1641.4	3.49	123 852
1984	1962	526.3	31.1	557.4	1302.5	2.34	..

NOTE Series discontinued in 1984.

(a) Average number of working days lost per worker involved.