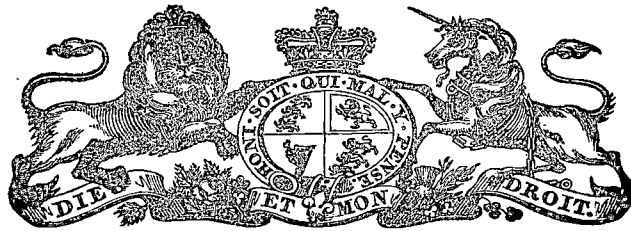


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AUSTRALASIAN STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR 1874,

WITH

INTRODUCTORY REPORT BY THE GOVERNMENT STATIST OF VICTORIA.

*Office of the Government Statist,
Melbourne, 1st October, 1875.*

SIR,

In continuation of the Australasian Statistics presented to Parliament last year, I have the honor to forward herewith a series of tables embodying information, brought down to the end of 1874, relating to the five colonies upon this continent and to Tasmania and New Zealand.

2. These tables, as in the case of those for 1873, have been compiled from materials received direct from the other colonies, in compliance with the request of, and on forms sent to each colony by, the Government of Victoria. These forms the respective Governments were, upon the present occasion, requested to cause to be filled up and returned, if possible, by the 30th June.

3. Several of the colonies, with due punctuality, returned the forms properly filled at the appointed time, but in the case of others considerable delay took place. In more than one instance the document was sent in deficient in some important particular, and detention occurred whilst this was being supplied. It is only within the last few days that the materials have been so far perfected as to enable me to make up the tables for publication, and even now the information is not quite complete.*

4. Being strongly impressed with the feeling that the interest and utility of statistical information of this character is materially added to by its early publication, I trust I shall not be considered as going beyond my province in respectfully urging that, if it be considered advisable to continue the publication of these statistics in future years, steps may be taken to impress upon the other colonies the desirability of making an effort to supply the information at an earlier period.

5. In the Introductory Report which I prefixed to the former issue of the Australasian Statistics I suggested the desirability of the heads of the Statistical departments of all the colonies in the group meeting in conference, for the purpose of agreeing upon a scheme for the compilation of their statistical records upon a uniform system. Such a conference, as you are aware—attended, however, by representatives of only four of the colonies—took place in Tasmania in February last, the Government Statist of this colony being the representative of Victoria. The result of the deliberations of this conference have been already laid before Parliament. It was decided that its recommendations should come into force from the beginning of next year: if these are faithfully carried out in the colonies represented at the conference, and adopted also, as it is to be hoped they will be, in the non-represented colonies, the supplying of such particulars as are required for the preparation of these statistics, or of such other ordinary information as the respective Governments might desire at any time to obtain or mutually to interchange, should be a much simpler matter than it has hitherto been.

* Some figures were received whilst this return was passing through the press and have been entered in the tables. The most important statements still missing are those of the Revenue, Expenditure, and Public Debt of New Zealand.

6. The large summary sheet which precedes this Report contains particulars for the two years in respect to which these statistics have been obtained. The subsequent tables in no way differ in form from those published in the Australasian Statistics of last year.

7. The contents of the whole of the tables are replete with interest, and will no doubt receive that attention which their importance merits.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,

HENRY HEYLYN HAYTER,

Government Statist.

The Honorable the Chief Secretary.

AUSTRALASIAN STATISTICS, 1874.—GENERAL SUMMARY.

| NAME OF COLONY. | Area in Square Miles. | Year. | Population. ¹ | Births. | Deaths. | Marriages. | Immigrants. | Emigrants. | Public Revenue. ² | | Public Expenditure. ² | Public Debt on the 31st December. | Imports. | Exports. | Shipping Inwards and Outwards. | | Miles of Railway open on the 31st December. | Miles of Telegraph open on the 31st December. ³ | Crown Lands | |
|------------------------|-----------------------|-------|--------------------------|---------|---------|------------|-------------|------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------|---|--|--|---------------------------------------|
| | | | | | | | | | Total. | Proportion raised by Taxation. | | | | | Vessels. | Tons. | | | Granted and sold to the 31st December. | Amount realized to the 31st December. |
| | | | | | | | | | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ | | | | | acres. | £ |
| Victoria | 88,198 | 1873 | 790,492 | 28,100 | 11,501 | 4974 | 29,460 | 26,294 | 3,644,135 | 1,784,056 | 3,504,953 | 12,445,722 | 16,533,856 | 15,302,454 | 4413 | 1,519,015 | 458 | 3159½ | 9,401,050 ⁴ | 16,207,095 |
| | | 1874 | 808,437 | 26,800 | 12,222 | 4925 | 30,732 | 27,365 | 4,106,790 | 1,896,842 | 4,177,338 | 13,990,553 | 16,953,985 | 15,441,109 | 4222 | 1,569,619 | 605 | 3387½ | 9,932,633 ⁴ | 16,786,146 |
| New South Wales..... | 325,000 | 1873 | 560,275 | 21,444 | 7611 | 4384 | 24,022 | 16,770 | 3,324,713 | 1,382,752 | 2,333,166 | 10,842,415 | 11,088,388 | 11,815,829 | 4373 | 1,762,478 | 401 | 6521 | 14,066,133 | 7,421,203 |
| | | 1874 | 584,278 | 22,178 | 8652 | 4343 | 29,756 | 19,279 | 3,509,966 | 1,217,401 | 2,939,227 | 10,516,371 | 11,293,739 ⁵ | 12,345,603 ⁵ | 4385 | 1,990,894 | 401½ | 7449 | 16,357,033 | 8,532,244 |
| Queensland | 678,600 | 1873 | 146,690 | 5720 | 2250 | 1354 | 15,141 | 5474 | 1,120,034 | 546,732 | 956,335 | 4,786,850 | 2,885,499 | 3,542,513 | 1151 | 352,524 | 218 | 3059 | 1,350,538 | 1,669,369 |
| | | 1874 | 163,517 | 6376 | 2789 | 1337 | 20,725 | 7794 | 1,160,947 | 552,758 | 1,121,710 | 5,253,286 | 2,962,439 | 4,106,462 | 1370 | 572,750 | 249 | 3616 | 1,368,470 ⁴ | 1,708,945 |
| South Australia | 914,730 | 1873 | 198,075 | 7107 | 2631 | 1562 | 4548 | 3172 | 937,648 | 362,246 | 839,152 | 2,174,900 | 3,841,100 | 4,587,859 | 1531 | 515,640 | 202 | 3807 | 5,369,634 | 5,878,569 |
| | | 1874 | 204,623 | 7696 | 3434 | 1611 | 5557 | 3271 | 1,003,820 | 370,440 | 1,051,622 | 2,989,750 | 3,983,290 | 4,402,855 | 1440 | 534,550 | 234 | 3900 | 5,712,773 | 6,084,069 |
| Western Australia..... | 978,299 | 1873 | 25,761 | 809 | 418 | 161 | 285 | 639 | 134,332 | 71,625 | 114,270 | 35,000 | 297,328 | 265,217 | 287 | 140,287 | 30 | 900 | 1,806,643 | * |
| | | 1874 | 26,209 | 876 | 487 | 181 | 660 | 601 | 148,073 | 82,275 | 143,266 | 119,000 | 364,263 | 428,837 | 297 | 132,827 | 38 | 763 | 1,823,790 | * |
| TOTAL..... | 2,984,827 | 1873 | 1,721,293 | 63,180 | 24,411 | 12,435 | 73,456 | 52,349 | 9,161,362 | 4,147,411 | 7,747,876 | 30,284,887 | 34,646,171 | 35,513,872 | 11,755 | 4,289,894 | 1309 | 17,446½ | 31,993,998 | * |
| | | 1874 | 1,787,064 | 63,926 | 27,584 | 12,397 | 87,430 | 58,310 | 9,929,596 | 4,119,716 | 9,433,163 | 32,868,960 | 35,557,716 | 36,724,866 | 11,714 | 4,809,640 | 1527½ | 19,115½ | 35,194,708 | * |
| Tasmania | 26,215 | 1873 | 104,217 | 3048 | 1504 | 659 | 6787 | 7039 | 293,753 | 178,942 | 299,995 | 1,477,600 | 1,107,167 | 893,556 | 1342 | 238,112 | 45 | 291 | 3,905,485 | 1,507,652 |
| | | 1874 | 104,176 | 3097 | 1689 | 712 | 6265 | 7714 | 327,925 | 215,233 | 374,078 | 1,476,700 | 1,257,785 | 925,325 | 1227 | 239,507 | 45 | 291 | 3,982,003 | 1,593,401 |
| New Zealand | 105,000 | 1873 | 295,946 | 11,222 | 3647 | 2276 | 13,572 | 4761 | 2,776,388 | 1,055,296 | 2,119,524 | 10,913,936 | 6,464,687 | 5,610,371 | 1443 | 571,144 | 145 | 2339 | 16,526,789 | * |
| | | 1874 | 341,860 | 12,844 | 4161 | 2823 | 43,965 | 5859 | * | * | * | * | 8,121,812 | 5,251,259 | 1678 | 784,829 | 209 | 2632 | 17,414,169 | * |
| GRAND TOTAL | 3,116,042 | 1873 | 2,121,456 | 77,450 | 29,562 | 15,370 | 93,815 | 64,149 | 12,231,503 | 5,381,649 | 10,167,395 | 42,676,423 | 42,218,025 | 42,017,799 | 14,540 | 5,099,150 | 1499 | 20,126½ | 52,426,272 | * |
| | | 1874 | 2,233,100 | 79,867 | 33,434 | 15,937 | 137,660 | 71,883 | * | * | * | * | 44,937,313 | 42,901,460 | 14,619 | 5,824,976 | 1781½ | 22,038½ | 56,590,880 | * |

AGRICULTURE.

LIVE STOCK.

| NAME OF COLONY. | Year. | Total Cultivation. | Wheat. | | Oats. | | Barley. | | Maize. | | Other Cereals. ⁷ | | Potatoes. | | Hay. | | Vines. | | Green Forage. ⁸ | Other Tillage. ⁹ | Horses. | Cattle. | Sheep. | Pigs. |
|--------------------------------|-------|-----------------------|-----------|------------|---------|-----------|---------|-----------|------------------|-----------|-----------------------------|----------|-----------|---------|---------|---------|--------|-------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|---------|-----------|-------------------------|---------|
| | | | Acres. | Bushels. | Acres. | Bushels. | Acres. | Bushels. | Acres. | Bushels. | Acres. | Bushels. | Acres. | Tons. | Acres. | Tons. | Acres. | Wine, g ¹⁰ . | Acres. | Acres. | | | | |
| Victoria | 1873 | 964,996 | 349,976 | 4,752,289 | 110,991 | 1,741,451 | 25,333 | 502,601 | 1959 | 40,347 | 14,951 | 207,020 | 38,349 | 109,822 | 115,672 | 147,398 | 5222 | 562,713 | 213,069 | 69,474 | 180,342 | 883,763 | 11,323,080 | 160,336 |
| | 1874 | 1,011,776 | 332,936 | 4,850,165 | 114,921 | 2,121,612 | 29,505 | 619,896 | 1523 | 24,263 | 17,266 | 333,002 | 35,133 | 124,310 | 119,031 | 157,261 | 4937 | 577,493 | 254,329 | 102,145 | 180,254 | 958,658 | 11,221,036 | 137,941 |
| New South Wales | 1873 | 456,825 | 166,647 | 2,238,414 | 16,173 | 302,600 | 3559 | 66,225 | 116,141 | 4,120,112 | 1607 | 25,191 | 14,212 | 42,281 | 70,701 | 108,945 | 4526 | 575,985 | 36,399 | 26,860 | 328,014 | 2,710,374 | 19,928,590 | 238,342 |
| | 1874 | 464,957 | 166,912 | 2,148,394 | 17,973 | 293,135 | 3984 | 69,053 | 118,437 | 3,618,436 | 1351 | 20,997 | 13,604 | 38,564 | 68,088 | 93,440 | 4308 | 634,258 | 40,589 | 29,711 | 340,691 | 2,856,699 | 22,872,882 | 219,958 |
| Queensland ¹⁰ | 1873 | 64,218 | 3554 | 82,381 | 353 | 7060 | 588 | 11,760 | 21,140 | 845,600 | 178 | 3560 | 3069 | 6138 | 5772 | 11,544 | 364 | 41,479 | 1894 | 27,306 | 99,243 | 1,343,093 | 7,268,946 | 42,884 |
| | 1874 | 64,218 | 3554 | 82,381 | 353 | 7060 | 588 | 11,760 | 21,140 | 845,600 | 178 | 3560 | 3069 | 6138 | 5772 | 11,544 | 364 | 41,479 | 1894 | 27,306 | 99,243 | 1,343,093 | 7,268,946 | 42,884 |
| South Australia | 1873 | 1,225,073 | 784,784 | 6,178,816 | 2011 | 21,337 | 11,827 | 126,398 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 3813 | 13,014 | 142,167 | 145,389 | 5217 | 733,478 | 27,469 | 247,785 | 87,455 | 174,381 | 5,617,419 | 87,336 |
| | 1874 | 1,330,484 | 839,638 | 9,862,693 | 2785 | 40,701 | 13,724 | 208,373 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 4582 | 17,046 | 160,931 | 202,934 | 5051 | 648,186 | 27,076 | 276,697 | 93,122 | 185,342 | 6,120,211 | 78,019 |
| Western Australia | 1873 | 51,724 | 25,697 | 345,368 | 1474 | 28,330 | 5083 | 87,529 | 113 | 2110 | 1475 | 18,243 | 473 | 1263 | 15,941 | 31,882 | 775 | * | .. | 693 | 26,290 | 47,640 | 748,536 | 20,948 |
| | 1874 | 45,292 | 23,427 | 281,124 | 1067 | 17,072 | 4702 | 75,232 | 88 | 1320 | 1022 | 10,220 | 329 | 987 | 13,366 | 20,049 | 779 | * | .. | 512 | 26,636 | 46,748 | 777,861 | 13,290 |
| TOTAL | 1873 | 2,762,836 | 1,330,658 | 13,597,268 | 131,002 | 2,100,778 | 46,390 | 794,513 | 139,353 | 5,00,169 | 18,211 | 254,014 | 59,916 | 172,518 | 350,253 | 445,158 | 16,104 | * | 278,831 | 392,118 | 721,344 | 5,159,251 | 44,886,571 | 549,846 |
| | 1874 | 2,916,727 | 1,366,467 | 17,224,757 | 137,099 | 2,479,580 | 52,503 | 984,314 | 141,188 | 4,489,619 | 19,817 | 367,779 | 56,767 | 187,045 | 367,188 | 485,223 | 15,439 | * | 323,888 | 436,371 | 745,946 | 5,390,540 | 48,260,936 | 492,092 |
| Tasmania | 1873 | 167,931 | 58,610 | 947,813 | 26,750 | 561,247 | 6440 | 124,459 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 7910 | 24,970 | 26,406 | 28,430 | .. | .. | 1565 | 40,250 | 22,612 | 106,308 | 1,490,746 | 59,628 |
| | 1874 | 326,486 | 57,633 | 1,066,861 | 32,704 | 877,243 | 5129 | 125,469 | .. | .. | 5714 | 112,342 | 6978 | 26,169 | 30,486 | 41,144 | .. | .. | 94,234 | 93,608 | 23,208 | 110,450 | 1,714,168 ¹¹ | 51,468 |
| New Zealand | 1873 | 376,156 ¹² | 132,428 | 3,391,634 | 110,472 | 3,292,807 | 22,124 | 606,492 | 1253 | 18,795 | 5000 | 75,000 | 11,617 | 51,758 | 43,616 | 62,187 | .. | .. | 25,515 | 24,131 | 99,261 | 494,113 | 11,674,863 | 123,741 |
| | 1874 | 549,844 ¹² | 105,674 | 2,974,339 | 157,545 | 5,548,729 | 16,236 | 477,162 | .. ¹³ | .. | .. ¹³ | .. | 12,154 | 63,685 | 62,216 | 52,202 | .. | .. | .. ¹⁴ | 196,019 | 99,261 | 494,113 | 11,674,863 | 123,741 |
| GRAND TOTAL | 1873 | 3,306,923 | 1,521,696 | 17,936,715 | 268,224 | 5,954,832 | 74,954 | 1,525,464 | 140,606 | 5,026,964 | 23,211 | 329,014 | 79,443 | 249,246 | 420,275 | 535,775 | 16,104 | * | 305,911 | 456,499 | 843,217 | 5,759,672 | 58,052,180 | 733,215 |
| | 1874 | 3,793,057 | 1,529,774 | 21,265,957 | 327,348 | 8,905,552 | 73,868 | 1,586,945 | 141,188 | 4,489,619 | 25,531 | 480,121 | 75,899 | 276,899 | 459,890 | 578,574 | 15,439 | * | 418,122 | 725,998 | 868,415 | 5,995,103 | 61,649,967 | 667,301 |

* Where asterisks occur, the information has not been furnished, or is incomplete.

¹ For information respecting the Population of two of the colonies to 30th June, 1875, see footnotes to Table I., post.

² The Revenue and Expenditure of Victoria are for the years ended 30th June, 1873, and 1874; those for the other colonies are for the same years ended 31st December. See footnote (3) to Table IV., post.

³ This column should contain statements of the number of miles of telegraph line open in the respective colonies. It is pretty certain, however, that some of the colonies return the number of miles of wire instead. The latter is always much greater than the number of miles of line. See footnote (1) to Table VIII., post.

⁴ Not including the land of which the purchase was not completed. See footnote (1) to Table IX., post.

⁵ It is officially stated that the values here given of imports to and exports from New South Wales in 1874 are, to a small extent, below the truth.

⁶ The returns of the Public Debt of New Zealand for 1874, as well as those of the Revenue and Expenditure of the same year, have not been received. According, however, to the published Financial Statement of the Hon. Major Atkinson, Colonial Treasurer of that Colony, the net Public Debt on the 30th June, 1875, was £16,596,459. See Tables IV. and V., post.

⁷ Including beans and peas.

⁸ Including permanent artificial grass, covering the following areas in the colonies named:—Victoria, 238,043 acres; New South Wales, 33,208 acres; South Australia, 19,200 acres; Tasmania, 93,176 acres.

⁹ Including the following areas lying fallow in the colonies named:—Victoria, 77,912 acres; South Australia, 264,327 acres; Tasmania, 22,512.

¹⁰ The Queensland return of live stock and agriculture for 1874 being incomplete, the figures for 1873 have been repeated.

¹¹ Not including sheep on islands in Bass' Straits, of which, on the 31st March, 1874, there were returned 10,785.

¹² In the New Zealand returns, the land under permanent artificial grass, which in other colonies is classed with green forage, is not considered as under cultivation. It amounted in 1873 to 1,107,116 acres, and in 1874 to 1,393,823 acres.

¹³ In the returns of New Zealand for 1874, the acreage under maize and other cereals is included under the head of "Other Tillage."

¹⁴ In the

AUSTRALASIAN STATISTICS, 1874.

TABLE I.—POPULATION, 1874.

| Name of Colony. | Area in Square Miles. | On the 31st December. | | | | | | Estimated Mean Population of the Year. | | |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------|--|----------|-----------|
| | | Estimated Population. | | | Number of— | | Persons to the Square Mile. | Males. | Females. | Total. |
| | | Males. | Females. | Total. | Males to 100 Females | Females to 100 Males | | | | |
| Victoria | 88,198 | 439,159 | 369,278 | 808,437 ¹ | 118·92 | 84·09 | 9·166 | 434,073 | 364,615 | 798,688 |
| New South Wales | 325,000 | 321,447 | 262,831 | 584,278 | 122·30 | 81·76 | 1·798 | 314,388 | 257,889 | 572,277 |
| Queensland | 678,600 | 97,860 | 65,657 | 163,517 | 149·05 | 67·09 | ·241 | 92,507 | 62,597 | 155,104 |
| South Australia | 914,730 | 104,870 | 99,753 | 204,623 ² | 105·13 | 95·12 | ·224 | 103,205 | 98,144 | 201,349 |
| Western Australia | 978,299 | 15,722 | 10,487 | 26,209 | 149·92 | 66·70 | ·027 | 15,646 | 10,339 | 25,985 |
| Total | 2,984,827 | 979,058 | 808,006 | 1,787,064 | 121·17 | 82·53 | ·599 | 959,819 | 793,584 | 1,753,403 |
| Tasmania | 26,215 | 55,117 | 49,059 | 104,176 | 112·35 | 89·01 | 3·974 | 55,243 | 48,954 | 104,197 |
| New Zealand | 105,000 | 194,349 | 147,511 | 341,860 | 131·75 | 75·90 | 3·256 | 182,378 | 136,525 | 318,903 |
| Grand Total | 3,116,042 | 1,228,524 | 1,004,576 | 2,233,100 | 122·29 | 81·77 | ·717 | 1,197,440 | 979,063 | 2,176,503 |

¹ On the 30th June, 1875, the Population of Victoria was estimated as follows : Males, 441,742 ; Females, 371,846 ; Total, 813,588.

² On the 30th June, 1875, the Population of South Australia was estimated as follows :—Males, 105,746 ; Females, 100,730 ; Total, 206,476.

TABLE II.—BIRTHS, DEATHS, AND MARRIAGES, 1874.

| Name of Colony. | Births of— | | | Deaths of— | | | Marriages. | Per 1000 of Mean Population—Number of— | | | Excess of Births over Deaths. | | Males to 100 Females. | |
|-------------------------|------------|----------|--------|------------|----------|--------|------------|--|---------|------------|-------------------------------|-----------|-----------------------|--------|
| | Males. | Females. | Total. | Males. | Females. | Total. | | Births. | Deaths. | Marriages. | Numerical. | Per cent. | Born. | Died. |
| Victoria | 13,659 | 13,141 | 26,800 | 6994 | 5228 | 12,222 | 4925 | 33·56 | 15·30 | 6·17 | 14,578 | 119·28 | 103·94 | 133·78 |
| New South Wales | 11,323 | 10,855 | 22,178 | 5022 | 3630 | 8652 | 4343 | 38·75 | 15·12 | 7·59 | 13,526 | 156·33 | 104·31 | 138·35 |
| Queensland | 3277 | 3099 | 6376 | 1773 | 1016 | 2789 | 1337 | 41·11 | 17·98 | 8·62 | 3587 | 128·61 | 105·74 | 174·51 |
| South Australia | 3913 | 3783 | 7696 | 1912 | 1522 | 3434 | 1611 | 33·22 | 17·05 | 8·00 | 4262 | 124·11 | 103·44 | 125·62 |
| Western Australia | 445 | 431 | 876 | 324 | 163 | 487 | 181 | 33·71 | 18·74 | 6·96 | 389 | 79·88 | 103·25 | 198·77 |
| Total | 32,617 | 31,309 | 63,926 | 16,025 | 11,559 | 27,584 | 12,307 | 36·46 | 15·73 | 7·07 | 36,342 | 131·75 | 104·18 | 138·64 |
| Tasmania | 1601 | 1496 | 3097 | 1022 | 667 | 1689 | 712 | 29·72 | 16·21 | 6·83 | 1408 | 83·36 | 107·02 | 153·22 |
| New Zealand | 6634 | 6210 | 12,844 | 2366 | 1795 | 4161 | 2828 | 40·27 | 13·05 | 8·87 | 8683 | 208·68 | 106·83 | 131·81 |
| Grand Total | 40,852 | 39,015 | 79,867 | 19,413 | 14,021 | 33,434 | 15,937 | 36·70 | 15·36 | 7·32 | 46,433 | 138·88 | 104·71 | 138·46 |

TABLE III.—IMMIGRATION AND EMIGRATION, 1874.

| Name of Colony. | Number of Immigrants. | | | | | | | | | Number of Emigrants. | | | Excess of Immigrants over Emigrants. | | | Excess of Emigrants over Immigrants. | | |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------|----------|--------|-------------|----------|--------|--------|----------|---------|----------------------|----------|--------|--------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|----------|--------|
| | Assisted and Free. | | | Unassisted. | | | Total. | | | Males. | Females. | Total. | Male. | Female. | Total. | Males. | Females. | Total. |
| | Males. | Females. | Total. | Males. | Females. | Total. | Males. | Females. | Total. | | | | | | | | | |
| Victoria..... | 64 | 85 | 149 | 21,812 | 8771 | 30,583 | 21,876 | 8856 | 30,732 | 19,424 | 7941 | 27,365 | 2452 | 915 | 3367 | .. | .. | .. |
| New South Wales | 536 | 544 | 1080 | 21,845 | 6831 | 28,676 | 22,381 | 7375 | 29,756 | 14,564 | 4715 | 19,279 | 7817 | 2660 | 10,477 | .. | .. | .. |
| Queensland..... | 5148 | 3729 | 8877 | 10,084 | 1764 | 11,848 | 15,232 | 5493 | 20,725 | 6335 | 1459 | 7794 | 8897 | 4034 | 12,931 | .. | .. | .. |
| South Australia.. | 1192 | 960 | 2152 | 2363 | 1042 | 3405 | 3555 | 2002 | 5557 | 2226 | 1045 | 3271 | 1329 | 957 | 2286 | .. | .. | .. |
| Western Australia. | .. | .. | .. | 481 | 179 | 660 | 481 | 179 | 660 | 449 | 152 | 601 | 32 | 27 | 59 | .. | .. | .. |
| Total..... | 6940 | 5318 | 12,258 | 56,565 | 18,587 | 75,172 | 63,525 | 23,905 | 87,430 | 42,098 | 15,312 | 58,310 | 20,527 | 8593 | 29,120 | .. | .. | .. |
| Tasmania ¹ | 10 | 8 | 18 | 4274 | 1973 | 6247 | 4284 | 1981 | 6265 | 5106 | 2603 | 7714 | .. | .. | .. | 822 | 627 | 1440 |
| New Zealand..... | 17,569 | 14,549 | 32,118 | 8261 | 3586 | 11,847 | 25,830 | 18,135 | 43,965 | 4367 | 1492 | 5859 | 21,463 | 16,643 | 38,106 | .. | .. | .. |
| Grand Total.. | 24,519 | 19,375 | 44,394 | 69,120 | 24,146 | 93,266 | 93,639 | 44,021 | 137,660 | 52,471 | 19,412 | 71,883 | 41,168 ² | 24,609 ² | 65,777 ² | .. | .. | .. |

¹ The sex was not distinguished in the case of 182 children arriving in and 386 departing from Tasmania. These have been equally divided between the male and female columns.

² These are the net figures.

NOTE.—The Immigration and Emigration in this table is by sea. No official account is, or can be, taken of the number of persons going overland from one colony to another.

TABLE IV.—PUBLIC REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE, 1874.

| Name of Colony. | Date on which Financial Year terminates. | Public Revenue. | | | Public Expenditure. | Per Head of Mean Population. ² | | |
|---------------------------------------|--|----------------------------------|-------------------------|------------|---------------------|---|----------------|--------------|
| | | Raised by Taxation. ¹ | Not raised by Taxation. | Total. | | Taxation. | Total Revenue. | Expenditure. |
| | | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ s. d. | £ s. d. | £ s. d. |
| Victoria | 30th June ³ | 1,896,842 | 2,209,948 | 4,106,790 | 4,177,338 | 2 8 0½ | 5 4 0½ | 5 5 10 |
| New South Wales | 31st Dec. | 1,217,401 | 2,292,565 | 3,509,966 | 2,939,227 | 2 2 6½ | 6 2 8 | 5 2 8½ |
| Queensland | 31st Dec. | 552,758 | 608,189 | 1,160,947 | 1,121,710 | 3 11 3¼ | 7 9 8½ | 7 4 7¼ |
| South Australia | 31st Dec. | 370,440 | 633,380 | 1,003,820 | 1,051,622 | 1 16 9½ | 4 19 8½ | 5 4 5½ |
| Western Australia..... | 31st Dec. | 82,275 | 65,798 | 148,073 | 143,266 | 3 3 4 | 5 13 11½ | 5 10 3½ |
| Total | .. | 4,119,716 | 5,809,880 | 9,929,596 | 9,433,163 | 2 7 3 | 5 13 10¼ | 5 8 2 |
| Tasmania..... | 31st Dec. | 215,233 | 112,692 | 327,925 | 374,078 | 2 1 3½ | 3 2 11½ | 3 11 9½ |
| New Zealand (1873 ⁴)..... | 31st Dec. | 1,055,296 | 1,721,092 | 2,776,388 | 2,119,524 | 3 13 4¼ | 9 12 11½ | 7 7 3½ |
| Grand Total..... | .. | 5,390,245 | 7,643,664 | 13,033,909 | 11,926,765 | 2 10 5½ | 6 2 0½ | 5 11 8 |

¹ The amounts in this column are made up of Customs duties, exclusive of duties on the export of gold, drawbacks, &c.; also of excise duties, including licences imposed for revenue purposes; stamps, other than those for fees of office; legacy, succession, and probate duties; property or income taxes; and any other impost, payable to the General Government, levied distinctly as a tax; but excluding fees, charges, and licences for special services rendered.

² In calculating these amounts, the average population of Victoria during the year ended 30th June, 1874, (789,438) has been taken. For the other colonies, excepting New Zealand, the mean populations shown in the last column of Table I. have been used. For New Zealand, the mean population of 1873 (287,753) has been used.

³ The returns for Victoria during the year ended 30th June, 1875, are, approximately, as follows: Mean population, 806,760. Revenue raised by taxation, £1,723,886; Revenue not so raised, £2,408,232; Total revenue, £4,132,118. Expenditure, £4,325,277. Taxation per head, £2 2s. 8½d. Revenue per head, £5 2s. 5½d. Expenditure per head, £5 7s. 2½d.

⁴ The returns for 1874 have not been received.

MEMORANDUM.

In the above Table the Public Expenditure of Tasmania for the year 1874 is stated to be £374,078; but this amount includes the following payments, viz.—£29,800 Debentures paid off,
and £26,000 Treasury Bills paid off.

Together £55,800, thus reducing the ordinary expenditure for the year 1874

to £318,278, as shown by the Treasury statement published in the Statistics (page 14) for that year, and being £9648 less than the Revenue actually received for 1874, thereby reducing the expenditure per head from £3 11s. 9d. to £3 1s. 1d.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Tasmania,
December 15th, 1875.

TABLE V.—PUBLIC DEBT, 1874.

| Name of the Colony. | On the 31st December. | |
|--|------------------------------|---|
| | Total Amount of Public Debt. | Indebtedness per Head of Population. ¹ |
| | £ | £ s. d. |
| Victoria | 13,990,553 | 17 6 1½ |
| New South Wales | 10,516,371 | 17 19 11½ |
| Queensland | 5,253,286 | 32 2 6½ |
| South Australia | 2,989,750 | 14 12 2½ |
| Western Australia | 119,000 | 4 10 9½ |
| Total | 32,868,960 | 18 7 10½ |
| Tasmania | 1,476,700 | 14 3 6 |
| New Zealand (1873 ²) | 10,913,936 | 36 17 6½ |
| Grand Total..... | 45,259,596 | 20 13 10½ |

¹ For the figures of population on 31st December, 1874, by means of which these calculations for all the colonies except New Zealand were made, see Table I., *ante*. The calculation for New Zealand was made by means of the population at the end of 1873 (295,946).

² The returns for 1874 have not been received. According, however, to the published financial statement of the Hon. Major Atkinson, Colonial Treasurer of New Zealand, the "Net Public Debt" on 30th June, 1875, was £16,596,459. The estimated population at that date is not given.

TABLE VI.—IMPORTS AND EXPORTS, 1874.

| Name of Colony. | Total Value of— | | | Value per Head of Mean Population of— | | |
|------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|------------|---------------------------------------|-----------|----------|
| | Imports. | Exports. | Both. | Imports. | Exports. | Both. |
| | £ | £ | £ | £ s. d. | £ s. d. | £ s. d. |
| Victoria | 16,953,985 | 15,441,109 | 32,395,094 | 21 4 6½ | 19 6 8 | 40 11 2½ |
| New South Wales..... | 11,293,739 ¹ | 12,345,603 ¹ | 23,639,342 | 19 14 8½ | 21 11 5½ | 41 6 1½ |
| Queensland | 2,962,439 | 4,106,462 | 7,068,901 | 19 2 0 | 26 9 6½ | 45 11 6 |
| South Australia..... | 3,983,290 | 4,402,855 | 8,386,145 | 19 15 8 | 21 17 4 | 41 13 0 |
| Western Australia..... | 364,263 | 428,837 | 793,100 | 14 0 4½ | 16 10 0½ | 30 10 5½ |
| Total | 35,557,716 | 36,724,866 | 72,282,582 | 20 5 7 | 20 18 10½ | 41 4 5½ |
| Tasmania | 1,257,785 | 925,325 | 2,183,110 | 12 1 5 | 8 17 7½ | 20 19 0½ |
| New Zealand..... | 8,121,812 | 5,251,269 | 13,373,081 | 25 9 4½ | 16 9 4 | 41 18 8½ |
| Grand Total..... | 44,937,313 | 42,901,460 | 87,838,773 | 20 12 11½ | 19 14 2½ | 40 7 1½ |

¹ It has been officially explained that, in consequence of the returns of the New South Wales overland trade not having been made up for the entire year, these figures, to a small extent, understate the truth.

TABLE VII.—SHIPPING, 1874.

| NAME OF COLONY. | INWARDS. | | OUTWARDS. | | TOTAL. | |
|------------------------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|-----------|
| | Vessels. | Tons. | Vessels. | Tons. | Vessels. | Tons. |
| Victoria | 2100 | 777,110 | 2122 | 792,509 | 4222 | 1,569,619 |
| New South Wales | 2217 | 1,016,369 | 2168 | 974,525 | 4385 | 1,990,894 |
| Queensland | 713 | 302,825 | 657 | 269,925 | 1370 | 572,750 |
| South Australia..... | 720 | 265,899 | 720 | 268,651 | 1440 | 534,550 |
| Western Australia..... | 144 | 65,351 | 153 | 67,476 | 297 | 132,827 |
| Total | 5894 | 2,427,554 | 5820 | 2,373,086 | 11,714 | 4,800,640 |
| Tasmania | 607 | 119,706 | 620 | 119,801 | 1227 | 239,507 |
| New Zealand | 856 | 399,296 | 822 | 385,533 | 1678 | 784,829 |
| Grand Total..... | 7357 | 2,946,556 | 7262 | 2,878,420 | 14,619 | 5,824,976 |

TABLE VIII.—RAILWAYS AND ELECTRIC TELEGRAPHS, 1874.

| NAME OF COLONY. | ON THE 31st DECEMBER. | | | | | |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|--------|--|----------------------------|---------|
| | Number of Miles of Railway. | | | Number of Miles of Electric Telegraph. | | |
| | Open. | In course of Construction. | TOTAL. | Open. | In course of Construction. | TOTAL. |
| Victoria | 605 | 65 | 670 | 3387½ | .. | 3387½ |
| New South Wales | 401½ | 285¾ | 687¼ | 7449 | 426 | 7875 |
| Queensland | 249 | 106 | 355 | 3616 | 616 | 4232 |
| South Australia | 234 | 142 | 376 | 3900 | 990 | 4890 |
| Western Australia | 38 | 35 | 73 | 763 | 850 | 1613 |
| Total | 1527¼ | 633¾ | 2161¼ | 19,115½ | 2882 | 21,997½ |
| Tasmania | 45 | 121² | 166 | 291 | 205 | 496 |
| New Zealand | 209 | 621 | 830 | 2632 | .. | 2632 |
| Grand Total... | 1781¼ | 1375¾ | 3157¼ | 22,038½ | 3087 | 25,125½ |

¹ These columns, as the headings state, should show the number of miles of electric telegraph in each colony, *i.e.*, the number of miles of telegraph *line*. It is pretty certain, however, that some of the colonies return the number of miles of *wire* instead. This mode of computation causes the colonies which return the miles of line to appear at a disadvantage. In Victoria, at the end of 1874, the number of miles of wire open was 4464, and 529 miles besides in course of erection.

² By a private company, on a Government guarantee of 5 per cent. upon £650,000.

TABLE IX.—CROWN LANDS ALIENATED, 1874.

| Name of Colony. | Area in Statute Acres. | Acres Granted and Sold. | | | Amount realised on Land Sales. | | | | | | Extent Unalienated at end of 1874. Acres. |
|-------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------|--------------|-------------------|----------------|-----------------|--|
| | | Prior to 1874. | During 1874. | Total. | Total. | | | Average per Acre. | | | |
| | | | | | Prior to 1874. | During 1874. | Total. | Prior to 1874. | During 1874. | Total | |
| Victoria | 56,446,720 | 9,401,050 | 531,583 | 9,932,633 ¹ | £ 16,207,005 | £ 579,051 | £ 16,786,146 | £ s. d. 1 14 5¾ | £ s. d. 1 1 9½ | £ s. d. 1 13 9½ | 46,514,087 |
| New South Wales | 208,000,000 | 14,066,133 | 2,290,900 | 16,357,033 | 7,421,203 | 1,111,041 | 8,532,244 | 0 10 6¾ | 0 9 8½ | 0 10 5¾ | 191,642,967 |
| Queensland | 434,304,000 | 1,350,538 | 17,932 | 1,368,470 ² | 1,669,369 | 39,576 | 1,708,945 | 1 4 8¾ | 2 4 1¾ | 1 4 11¾ | 432,935,530 |
| South Australia | 585,427,200 | 5,369,634 | 343,139 | 5,712,773 | 5,878,569 | 205,500 | 6,084,069 | 1 1 10¾ | 0 11 11¾ | 1 1 3½ | 579,714,427 |
| Western Australia | 626,111,323 | 1,806,643 | 17,156 | 1,823,799 | * | 7,679 | * | * | 0 8 11½ | * | 624,287,524 |
| Total | 1,910,289,243 | 31,993,998 | 3,200,710 | 35,194,708 | * | 1,942,847 | * | * | 0 12 1¾ | * | 1,875,094,535 |
| Tasmania | 16,777,630 | 3,905,485 | 76,518 | 3,982,003 | 1,507,652 | 85,749 | 1,593,401 | 0 7 8¾ | 1 2 5 0 | 0 8 0 | 12,795,597 |
| New Zealand | 67,200,000 | 16,526,789 | 887,380 ³ | 17,414,169 | * | 840,471 | * | * | 0 18 11¾ | * | 49,785,831 |
| Grand Total .. | 1,994,266,843 | 52,426,272 | 4,164,608 | 56,590,880 | * | 2,869,067 | * | * | 0 13 9¾ | * | 1,937,675,063 |

¹ These figures do not include land of which the purchase was not completed. According to the Report of the Honorable the Minister of Lands (Parliamentary Papers, No. 16, Session 1875), the total extent alienated from the Crown at the end of 1874 was 15,583,028 acres. This acreage embraced not only the land of which the fee simple had passed to the purchaser, but the area in process of alienation under the system of deferred payments. Portion of the latter might revert to the Crown in consequence of non-fulfilment of conditions, &c.

² In addition to the land granted and sold, 3,642,128 acres had, up to the end of 1874, been leased in Queensland upon the "deferred payment system."

³ Of this quantity, 648,800 acres were sold, and 238,580 were otherwise alienated.

* Where asterisks occur the returns have not been furnished, or are incomplete.

TABLE X.—AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS, 1874-5.—LAND IN CULTIVATION.

** The Agricultural Statistics in most of the colonies are collected in the months of February and March of each year. The present returns, except those of Queensland, are for those months of 1875. In calculating the ratio of tillage per head, the population on the 31st December, 1874, has been taken.

| Name of Colony. | Number of Acres under Tillage. | | Number of Acres under— | | | | | | | | | |
|--|--------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|---------|---------|-----------------|-----------------------------|-----------|---------|--------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| | Total. | Per head of Population. | Wheat. | Oats. | Barley. | Maize. | Other Cereals. ¹ | Potatoes. | Hay. | Vines. | Green Forage. ² | Other Tillage. ³ |
| Victoria..... | 1,011,776 | 1.25 | 332,936 | 114,921 | 29,505 | 1523 | 17,266 | 35,183 | 119,031 | 4937 | 254,329 | 102,145 |
| New South Wales | 464,957 | .80 | 166,912 | 17,973 | 3984 | 118,437 | 1351 | 13,604 | 68,088 | 4308 | 40,589 | 29,711 ⁴ |
| Queensland, (1873-4 ⁵)..... | 64,218 | .39 | 3554 | 353 | 588 | 21,140 | 178 | 3069 | 5772 | 364 | 1894 | 27,306 ⁶ |
| South Australia .. | 1,330,484 | 6.50 | 839,639 | 2785 | 13,724 | .. | .. | 4582 | 160,931 | 5051 | 27,076 | 276,697 |
| Western Australia | 45,292 | 1.73 | 23,427 | 1067 | 4702 | 88 | 1022 | 329 | 13,366 | 779 | .. ⁷ | 512 |
| Total..... | 2,916,727 | 1.63 | 1,366,467 | 137,099 | 52,593 | 141,188 | 19,817 | 56,767 | 367,188 | 15,439 | 323,888 | 436,371 |
| Tasmania..... | 326,486 | 3.13 | 57,633 | 32,704 | 5129 | .. | 5714 | 6978 | 30,486 | .. | 94,234 | 93,608 |
| New Zealand ⁸ .. | 549,844 | 1.61 | 105,674 | 157,545 | 16,236 | .. ⁹ | .. ⁹ | 12,154 | 62,216 | .. | .. ¹⁰ | 196,019 |
| Grand Total .. | 3,793,057 | 1.70 | 1,529,774 | 327,348 | 73,868 | 141,188 | 25,531 | 75,899 | 459,890 | 15,439 | 418,122 | 725,998 |

¹ Including beans and pease.

² In addition to crops sown for the purpose of being cut green for cattle, this column contains the following areas laid down in permanent artificial grass in the colonies named:—Victoria, 233,043 acres; New South Wales, 33,208 acres; South Australia, 19,260 acres; Tasmania, 93,176 acres.

³ In the returns of some of the colonies this column embraces land in fallow as well as land under crop. The following are the areas in fallow included in the returns of such colonies:—Victoria, 77,912 acres; South Australia, 264,327 acres; Tasmania, 22,512 acres.

⁴ Including 8540½ acres under sugar-cane—viz., 4087 acres productive, and 4453½ acres unproductive. The former produced 6885 tons of sugar.

⁵ The returns of Queensland are for the year 1873-4, those for 1874-5 being incomplete.

⁶ Including sugar-cane, 14,495 acres; cotton, 9663 acres.

⁷ The green forage in Western Australia is included in the return of hay.

⁸ Exclusive of land under permanent artificial grass, which amounted to 1,393,823 acres.

⁹ The acreage under maize and other cereals in New Zealand is included under the head of "Other Tillage."

¹⁰ The acreage under green forage raised in New Zealand is included in the columns of "Hay" and "Other Tillage"

TABLE XI.—AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS, 1874-5.—PRODUCE OF CROPS.

| Name of Colony. | Bushels raised of— | | | | | Tons raised of— | | Gallons of Wine made. |
|--|--------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------------------------|-----------------|---------|-----------------------|
| | Wheat. | Oats. | Barley. | Maize. | Other Cereals. ¹ | Potatoes. | Hay. | |
| Victoria..... | 4,850,165 | 2,121,612 | 619,896 | 24,263 | 333,002 | 124,310 | 157,261 | 577,493 |
| New South Wales | 2,148,394 | 293,135 | 69,053 | 3,618,436 | 20,997 | 38,564 | 93,440 | 684,258 |
| Queensland (1873-4 ²)..... | 82,381 | 7,060 | 11,760 | 845,600 | 3560 | 6138 | 11,544 | 41,479 |
| South Australia .. | 9,862,693 | 40,701 | 208,373 | .. | .. | 17,046 | 202,934 | 648,186 |
| Western Australia..... | 281,124 | 17,072 | 75,232 | 1320 | 10,220 | 987 | 20,049 | * |
| Total..... | 17,224,757 | 2,479,530 | 984,314 | 4,489,619 | 367,779 | 187,045 | 485,228 | * |
| Tasmania..... | 1,066,861 | 877,243 | 125,469 | .. | 112,342 | 26,169 | 41,144 | .. |
| New Zealand..... | 2,974,339 | 5,548,729 | 477,162 | .. | .. | 63,685 | 52,202 | .. |
| Grand Total..... | 21,265,957 | 8,905,552 | 1,586,945 | 4,489,619 | 480,121 | 276,899 | 578,574 | * |

| Name of Colony. | Bushels per acre of— | | | | | Tons per acre of— | |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|-------|---------|--------|----------------|-------------------|------|
| | Wheat. | Oats. | Barley. | Maize. | Other Cereals. | Potatoes. | Hay. |
| Victoria..... | 14.57 | 18.46 | 21.01 | 15.90 | 19.29 | 3.53 | 1.32 |
| New South Wales..... | 12.87 | 16.31 | 17.33 | 30.55 | 15.54 | 2.83 | 1.37 |
| Queensland ² | 23.18 | 20.00 | 20.00 | 40.00 | 20.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| South Australia..... | 11.75 | 14.61 | 15.18 | .. | .. | 3.72 | 1.26 |
| Western Australia..... | 12.00 | 16.00 | 16.00 | 15.00 | 10.00 | 3.00 | 1.50 |
| Total..... | 12.61 | 18.09 | 18.75 | 31.80 | 18.56 | 3.29 | 1.32 |
| Tasmania..... | 18.51 | 26.82 | 24.46 | .. | 19.66 | 3.75 | 1.35 |
| New Zealand..... | 28.15 | 35.22 | 29.39 | .. | .. | 5.24 | 0.84 |
| Grand Total..... | 13.90 | 27.21 | 21.48 | 31.80 | 18.81 | 3.65 | 1.26 |

¹ Including beans and pease. ² The returns of Queensland are for the year 1873-4, those for 1874-5 being incomplete.

* Where asterisks occur the returns have not been furnished or are incomplete.

TABLE XII.—LIVE STOCK, 1874-75.

* The Live Stock Statistics in most of the colonies are collected with the Agricultural Statistics in the months of February and March. The present returns, except those of Queensland, are for those months of 1875.

| Name of Colony. | Number of— | | | | | Total Number of Stock of all descriptions to the Square Mile. |
|---|----------------|------------------|------------------------|----------------|-------------------|---|
| | Horses. | Cattle. | Sheep. | Pigs. | Total. | |
| Victoria ¹ | 180,254 | 958,658 | 11,221,036 | 137,941 | 12,497,889 | 141·70 |
| New South Wales | 346,691 | 2,856,699 | 22,872,882 | 219,958 | 26,296,230 | 80·91 |
| Queensland (1873-4 ²) | 99,243 | 1,343,093 | 7,268,946 | 42,884 | 8,754,166 | 12·90 |
| South Australia | 93,122 | 185,342 | 6,120,211 | 78,019 | 6,476,694 | 7·08 |
| Western Australia | 26,636 | 46,748 | 777,861 | 13,290 | 864,535 | ·88 |
| Total | 745,946 | 5,390,540 | 48,260,936 | 492,092 | 54,889,514 | 18·39 |
| Tasmania | 23,208 | 110,450 | 1,714,168 ³ | 51,468 | 1,899,294 | 72·45 |
| New Zealand | 99,261 | 494,113 | 11,674,863 | 123,741 | 12,391,978 | 118·02 |
| Grand Total | 868,415 | 5,995,103 | 61,649,967 | 667,301 | 69,180,786 | 22·20 |

¹ The returns of Live Stock in Victoria are in all probability under the mark, in consequence of the collectors of statistics being in many cases unable to furnish estimates of the numbers kept in towns and villages, and on allotments of land smaller than those they were required by their instructions to visit personally.

² The returns for Queensland are for the year 1873-4, those for 1874-5 being incomplete.

³ Not including the sheep on islands in Bass's Straits, of which, on the 31st March, 1874, there were returned 10,785.