

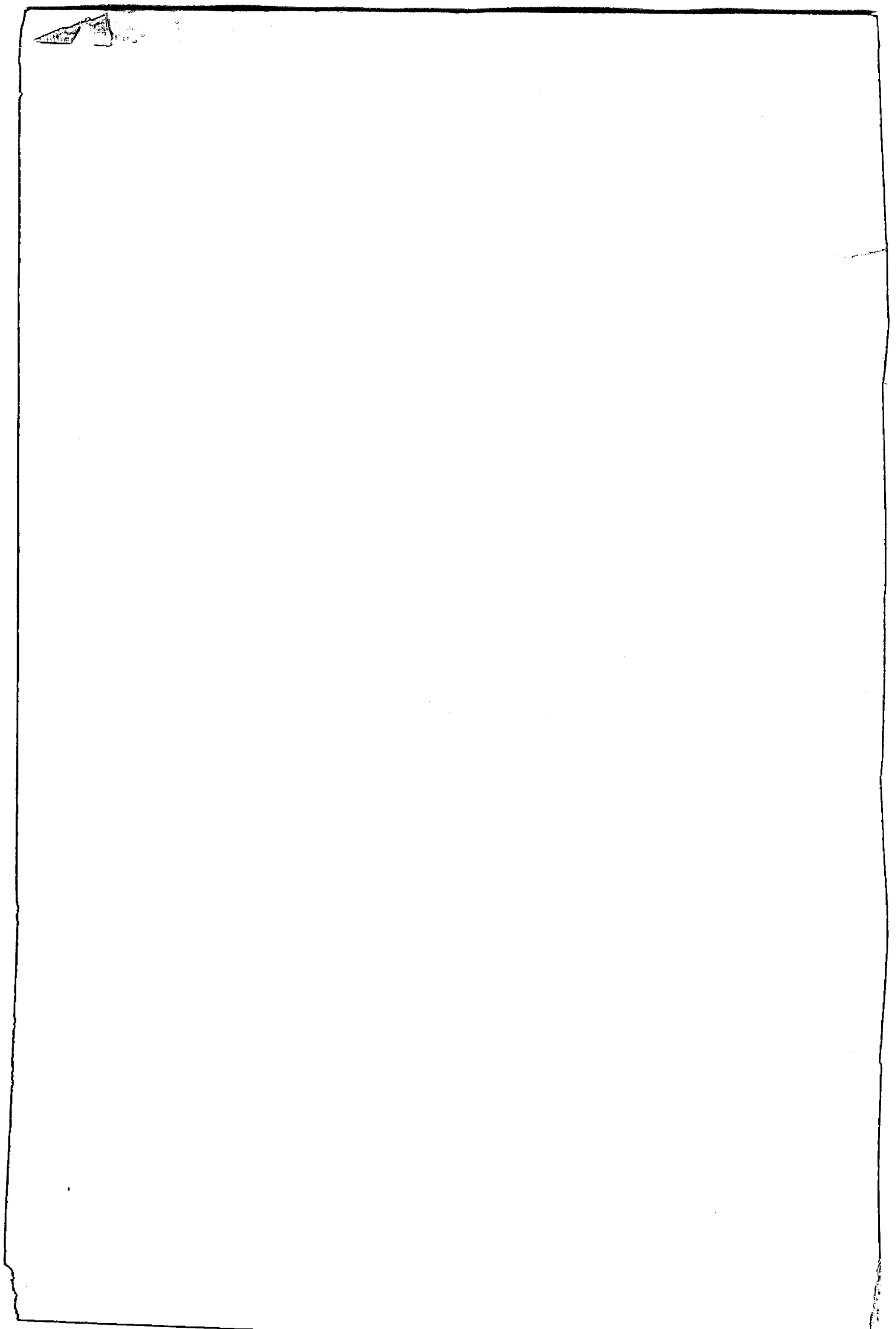


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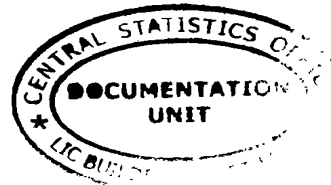


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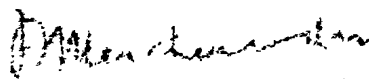
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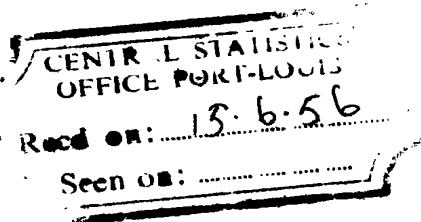
Every endeavour is made to produce the volume as at an early date as possible, but this year, owing to lack of typewriting staff, the issue has compulsorily been rather belated. This is regretted.

A number of new features and additional statistical information in Demography, Production and Finance have been incorporated in the present issue. There is in particular a statement on the National Income of the Colony.

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Definition : For statistical purposes the convention has been adopted of dividing the whole population into three classes:

- (i) the General population, comprising Europeans and descendants of Europeans, and people of African and mixed origin;
- (ii) the Indo-Mauritian population, made up of Indian Immigrants and their descendants; and
- (iii) the Chinese population consisting of immigrants from China and their descendants.

TOTAL RESIDENT^x POPULATION - Estimated as at 31st December, 1955⁺

P O P U L A T I O N				
	General	Indo-Mauritian	Chinese	Total
Males	79,201	192,487	11,309	282,997
Females	85,047	183,412	8,476	276,935
Total	164,248	375,899	19,785	559,932 [@]

x By "resident" population is meant that population which is actually living in the Island; it excludes foreign military forces and civilians habitually resident in the island, but temporarily absent overseas on Military Service and as tourists or students. The "de jure" population of the island is estimated at 561,450.

+ Based initially on Census enumeration of June, 1952.

@ Excluding members of the Pioneer Corps serving overseas.

CONSTITUTION OF THE RESIDENT POPULATION

Year	General	Indo-Mauritian	Chinese
1955	29.3%	67.1%	3.6%

MOVEMENT OF THE CIVIL POPULATION^{##} DURING THE YEAR

	General			Indo-Mauritian			Chinese			Total
	Males	Fem.	Total	Males	Fem.	Total	Males	Fem.	Total	
Arrivals	3,715	2,109	5,284	868	300	1,168	515	249	764	7,216
Departures	3,330	2,072	5,402	873	311	1,184	519	249	768	7,354

^{##} Includes :-

- (a) the very small figure of engaged or disengaged seamen;
- (b) emigrants and immigrants to and from the dependencies but does not include movements of troops and locally enlisted servicemen.

ESTIMATED POPULATION BY DISTRICT AS AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1955

D I S T R I C T	Area in square miles	G E N E R A L +			I N D O - M A U R I T I A N			T O T A L		
		Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
Port Louis	16	22,437	23,623	46,110	24,616	23,912	48,528	47,103	47,535	94,638
Pamplemousses	69	3,825	3,920	7,745	18,996	18,421	37,417	22,321	22,341	45,162
Riviere du Rempart	57½	3,922	3,337	7,759	19,649	12,573	33,222	23,571	22,410	45,981
Flacq	115	6,420	6,203	12,623	26,033	25,130	51,163	32,453	31,333	63,786
Grand Port	101	7,391	7,769	15,660	21,395	20,636	42,531	29,786	23,405	53,191
Savanne	98½	4,644	4,516	9,160	15,244	14,794	30,038	19,633	19,310	38,193
Plaines Wilhems	78	35,140	37,514	72,654	48,923	45,391	94,319	34,063	32,905	136,973
Moka	89	2,842	2,816	5,658	12,913	12,464	25,382	15,760	15,230	31,040
Black River	101	3,339	3,325	6,664	4,203	4,091	8,299	7,547	7,416	14,963
Whole Island	720	90,510	93,523	184,033	192,487	103,412	375,899	232,997	276,935	559,932

+ Including the Chinese Population

Resident population trends 1925 - 1955

Year	Ratio of births to deaths	Natural increase as at 31st December	Cumulative increase	Rate of natural increase	Net* increase as at 31st December	Resident population as at 31st December
1925	1.77	+ 7,218	+ 7,218	+ 18.4	+ 5,965	393,708
1926	1.56	+ 5,562	+ 12,780	+ 14.1	+ 4,528	398,236
1927	1.38	+ 3,733	+ 16,513	+ 9.4	+ 3,457	401,693
1928	1.34	+ 3,864	+ 20,377	+ 9.5	+ 3,109	404,802
1929	1.11	+ 1,358	+ 21,735	+ 3.3	+ 747	405,549
1930	0.89	- 1,548	+ 20,187	- 3.9	- 1,091	404,458
1931	0.77	- 3,526	+ 16,661	- 3.9	- 4,316	400,142
1932	0.80	- 2,582	+ 14,079	- 6.6	- 2,644	397,498
1933	1.27	+ 2,864	+ 16,943	+ 7.4	+ 2,297	399,795
1934	1.34	+ 3,447	+ 20,390	+ 8.8	+ 3,036	402,831
1935	1.27	+ 2,801	+ 23,191	+ 7.1	+ 2,534	405,365
1936	1.32	+ 3,367	+ 26,558	+ 8.5	+ 3,611	408,976
1937	1.22	+ 2,580	+ 29,138	+ 6.4	+ 2,202	411,179
1938	1.12	+ 1,374	+ 30,512	+ 3.5	+ 1,647	412,826
1939	1.28	+ 3,236	+ 33,748	+ 8.0	+ 3,195	416,021
1940	1.17	+ 1,772	+ 35,520	+ 4.3	+ 1,317	417,338
1941	1.29	+ 2,994	+ 38,514	+ 7.4	- 252	417,086
1942	1.14	+ 1,626	+ 40,140	+ 4.0	+ 158	417,244
1943	1.28	+ 2,962	+ 43,102	+ 7.3	+ 1,188	418,432
1944	1.61	+ 6,903	+ 50,005	+ 16.4	+ 4,720	423,152
1945	1.07	+ 1,013	+ 51,018	+ 2.4	+ 2,164	425,316
1946	1.31	+ 3,899	+ 54,917	+ 9.2	+ 4,906	430,222
1947	2.18	+ 10,246	+ 65,163	+ 23.7	+ 5,832	436,054
1948	1.81	+ 8,521	+ 73,684	+ 19.3	+ 5,436	441,540
1949	2.77	+ 13,088	+ 86,772	+ 29.4	+ 15,177	456,717
1950	3.58	+ 16,657	+ 103,429	+ 35.8	+ 18,669	475,386
1951	3.19	+ 15,760	+ 119,189	+ 32.6	+ 19,133	494,519
1952	3.25	+ 16,673	+ 135,862	+ 33.3	+ 15,288	509,807
1953	2.88	+ 15,597	+ 151,459	+ 30.2	+ 15,060	524,867
1954	2.58	+ 13,464	+ 164,923	+ 25.4	+ 14,051	538,918
1955	3.24	+ 15,332	+ 180,805	+ 28.9	+ 21,014	559,932

In the course of the 31-year period ending with 1955, the Natural Increase has amounted to 46.6% of the original population.

- ⊕ Excess of births over deaths.
- ⊙ Rate per 1,000 of the mid-year population.
- * Allowing for migration.

Natural Increase of Population

Year	Live Births	Deaths	Natural * Increase	Ratio to prewar average (1935-1939 = 100)
1950	23,110	6,453	16,657	624
1951	22,963	7,208	15,760	590
1952	24,120	7,447	16,673	624
1953	23,896	8,299	15,597	584
1954	21,926	8,462	13,464	504
1955	22,970	7,088	15,882	595

The number of live births during the year 1955 was 22,970, an increase of 1,044 on the number for 1954 and a decrease of 926 for 1953.

The total number of deaths was lower than in the previous year. The excess of births over deaths or natural increase of population was 495% above the quinquennial prewar average (1935 - 1939).

The natural growth during the year was 15,882, a number which is about six times the corresponding average (2,670) for the five prewar years (1935 - 1939). This increase for 1955 was 18% higher than the figure for 1954.

The total of natural growth has in fact increased the whole Mauritian resident population of the end of 1945 by 30.5% in the interval of the ten post-war years.

CHANGES IN THE DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS FROM PRE-WAR TO POST-WAR

	<u>PRE-WAR PERIOD</u> Annual Average : 1933 - 1937	<u>POST-WAR PERIOD</u> Annual Average : 1951 - 1955	Change from pre-war
Births	13,641	23,176	+ 9,535
Deaths	10,331	7,701	- 2,930
Birth rate [ⓐ]	33.8	44.9	+ 11.1
Death rate [ⓐ]	26.3	14.9	- 11.4
Ratio: $\frac{\text{Births}}{\text{Deaths}}$)	1.29	3.01	+ 133%
Natural increase	3,010	15,475	+ 12,465
Rate of Natural Increase [ⓐ]	7.45	29.97	+ 302%

* Excess of births over deaths.

ⓐ Per thousand of population.

VITAL AND SOCIAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS AND BIRTH RATES

D I S T R I C T	TOTAL POPULATION		
	Births	Crude Rates ⁺	
Port Louis		4,086	44.0
Town	3,444		
Extra Muros	644		
Pamplemousses		1,371	42.3
Riviere du Rempart		2,134	47.5
Flacq		2,387	43.0
Grand Port		2,349	41.2
Savanne		1,521	39.5
Plaines Wilhems		6,482	39.2
Beau Bassin-Rose Hill	1,416		
Quatre Bornes	753		
Curepipe	1,072		
Rest of Plaines Wilhems	3,191		
Moka		1,202	39.4
Black River		330	46.9
Whole Island		22,970	41.8

BIRTH RATES⁺ FOR THE WHOLE ISLAND - 1930 - 1954

Year	Rate	Year	Rate
1930	31.6	1943	32.6
1931	29.7	1944	43.4
1932	25.7	1945	38.4
1933	33.8	1946	38.4
1934	33.7	1947	43.7
1935	32.8	1948	43.4
1936	34.1	1949	45.6
1937	34.4	1950	49.7
1938	32.6	1951	47.5
1939	35.2	1952	43.1
1940	29.2	1953	46.3
1941	32.2	1954	41.3
1942	32.5	1955	41.8

+ Crude rates per 1,000 of the mid-year population.

BIRTHS BY MONTH FOR THE WHOLE ISLAND - 1955

Month	Number of births
January	1,966
February	1,737
March	1,329
April	1,531
May	1,715
June	1,573
July	1,738
August	1,972
September	2,225
October	2,524
November	2,233
December	2,069
Total	22,970

SEXES OF CHILDREN BORN

TOTAL		POPULATION
Males	Females	Male births per 1,000 female births
11,697	11,273	1,033

BIRTH RATES

The crude birth rate for the population was **1.2% higher** than last year. The natural increase of the population has amounted to over **77,000** souls in the course of the last five years.

The crude birth rate was still **23.7%** higher than the average of the five pre-war years (1933 - 1937).

BIRTHS AND BIRTH RATES[⊙] SPECIFIC FOR AGE OF MOTHER - Year 1955

Age of mother in years	Female Population	Number of live births	Birth rate ⁺ specific for age of mother
Under 15	27,394	51	1.8
15 - 19	23,016	3,344	145.3
20 - 24	21,534	6,023	279.3
25 - 29	21,236	5,729	269.3
30 - 34	18,400	4,204	228.5
35 - 39	14,164	2,159	152.4
40 - 44	12,706	709	55.8
45 & over	9,312	71	7.2
Total	143,763	22,293	149.8

+ Rates = Number of live births per 1,000 of female population in specific age group.

⊙ General & Indo-Mauritian population only. The tabulation includes 1,653 births (7.5%) for which the age of the mother was not stated. These have been redistributed proportionally among the rest.

NUMBER OF LIVE BIRTHS BY TOTAL BIRTH ORDER - Year 1955
General & Indo-Mauritian Population.

Birth Order (parity)	Number of live births	% distribution	Birth rate ⁺⁺ by birth order
First	3,343	17.2	25.8
Second	3,733	16.3	25.1
Third	3,245	14.6	21.3
Fourth	2,794	12.5	13.3
Fifth	2,279	10.2	15.3
Sixth	1,735	7.3	11.7
Seventh	1,037	4.9	7.3
Eighth	809	3.6	5.4
Ninth	494	2.2	3.3
Tenth & higher	624	2.8	4.2
Unknown	1,645	7.4	11.1
Total	22,293	100.0	149.3

* i.e. inclusive of still-births.

++ Number of live births in each birth order per 1,000 female population aged 10 - 49 years.

DEATHS AND DEATH RATES

	TOTAL POPULATION	
	Deaths	Crude Rates ⁺
Port Louis		1,303
Town	971	
Extra Muros	332	
Pamplemousses		633
Riviere du Rempart		533
Flacq		791
Grand Port		317
Savanne		481
Plaines Wilhems		1,262
Beau Bassin-Rose Hill	402	
Quatre Bornes	226	
Curepipe	303	
Rest of Plaines Wilhems	330	
Moka		575
Black River		237
Whole Island		7,083

+ per 1,000 of the midyear population.

Deaths and Death Rates

The total number of deaths in 1955 was lower than in the previous year. The crude death rate for the whole population was nevertheless well below the pre-war quinquennial average (1933 - 1937): it was only 49% of this average.

The following table gives the crude death rates for the last twenty-five years :-

Year	Rate	Year	Rate
1931	39.1	1943	25.9
1932	32.2	1944	27.1
1933	27.3	1945	36.1
1934	25.7	1946	29.5
1935	23.5	1947	20.1
1936	26.4	1948	23.3
1937	23.3	1949	13.6
1938	29.9	1950	13.9
1939	23.0	1951	14.9
1940	25.5	1952	14.3
1941	25.6	1953	16.1
1942	29.2	1954	16.0
		1955	12.9

Deaths by Month for the Whole Island - 1955

Month	Number of Deaths
January	765
February	670
March	649
April	711
May	601
June	561
July	541
August	579
September	520
October	539
November	430
December	464
Total	7,083

NUMBER OF DEATHS BY AGE AND SEX (Total Population)

Age	Males	Females	Total
Under 1	877	666	1,543
1 - 4	586	672	1,258
5 - 9	79	99	178
10 - 14	31	43	74
15 - 19	42	56	98
20 - 24	43	76	124
25 - 34	161	174	335
35 - 44	275	180	455
45 - 54	404	206	610
55 - 64	524	345	869
65 - 74	426	506	932
75 - 84	157	336	493
85 and over	29	89	118
Not stated	1	-	1
All ages	3,640	3,443	7,083

MARRIAGES

D I S T R I C T	P O P U L A T I O N		
	General*	Indo-Mauritian	Total
Port Louis	424	277	701
Pamplemousses	52	117	169
Rivière du Rempart	53	111	164
Flacq	81	190	271
Grand Port	100	125	225
Savanne	62	96	158
Plaines Wilhems	561	363	924
Moka	34	76	110
Black River	54	21	75
Whole Island	1,421	1,376	2,797
Crude Rate†	15.7	7.4	10.2

* Includes Chinese

MARRIAGE RATES

The marriage rate in the population for 1955 was again higher than the corresponding average rate for the quinquennial period 1934 - 1938. The post-war increase in marriage rates is shown in the following table :

Pre-war average (1934 - 1938)	Rate 9.5		
Year	% Increase on pre-war average 1934 - 1938		
1946	18.1	+	90
1947	17.5	+	84
1948	14.7	+	55
1949	16.3	+	72
1950	13.1	+	38
1951	12.7	+	34
1952	16.3	+	72
1953	13.4	+	41
1954	11.7	+	23
1955	10.2	+	7

+ Ratio of the actual number of persons of both sexes newly married to 1,000 of the entire population.

DIVORCES

GROUNDS ON WHICH DIVORCE PRONOUNCED	P O P U L A T I O N			
	General	Indo- Mauritian	Chinese	Total
Adultery by Husband	11	15	1	27
Adultery by wife	43	52	2	97
Adultery and Injures Graves by husband	1	3	1	5
Adultery and Injures Graves by wife	2	8	-	10
Injures Graves by husband	8	13	-	21
Injures Graves by wife	7	15	-	22
Desertion by husband	2	1	1	4
Desertion by wife	-	2	-	2
Sevices by husband	2	-	-	2
Sevices and Injures Graves by husband	7	4	-	11
Sevices and Injures Graves by wife	-	1	-	1
Desertion and Adultery by husband	-	1	-	1
Desertion and Injures Graves by husband	1	-	1	2
Desertion and Injures Graves by wife	1	-	-	1
Adultery, desertion and Injures Graves by husband	1	-	-	1
Sevices, Desertion and Injures Graves by husband	-	1	-	1
Sevices and Injures Graves by husband 'a mensa et thoro'	-	1	-	1
	86	117	6	209

NUMBER OF DIVORCES BY NUMBER OF CHILDREN LIVING AT THE TIME OF DIVORCE

Number of Children	Number of Divorces
No child	107
1 child	50
2 children	27
3 children	10
4 children	11
5 children	1
6 children and more	3
Total	209

Total Number of Children = 206

NUMBER OF DIVORCES BY DURATION OF MARRIAGE

Duration of Marriage	Number of Divorces
under 1 year	2
1 year	5
2 years	8
3 years	30
4 years	15
5 years	14
6 years	13
7 years	17
8 years	22
9 years	21
10 to 14 years	45
15 to 19 years	12
20 years and over	5
Total	209

STILL-BIRTHS

D I S T R I C T	TOTAL POPULATION		
	Males	Females	Total
Port Louis	135	129	264
Pamplemousses	63	39	102
Rivière du Rempart	72	41	113
Flacq	125	94	219
Grand Port	100	57	157
Savanne	50	45	95
Plaines Wilhems	216	176	392
Moka	46	35	81
Black River	23	13	36
Whole Island	830	629	1,459

Total of still-births	...	1,459
% to live births	...	6.4
% to total births	...	6.0

STILL-BIRTHS

A still-birth is by definition the birth of a dead child at or after the seventh month of pregnancy. Still-births are not included either as births or deaths in the various numbers and rates shown in this chapter.

From year to year the number of still-births fluctuates closely around 1,500 corresponding to a ratio of 6% to 7% of the total births.

STILL-BIRTH RATE⁺

Year	Rate
1946	8.4
1947	6.7
1948	6.9
1949	6.7
1950	6.1
1951	6.1
1952	6.5
1953	6.6
1954	6.2
1955	6.4

+ percentage to live-births.

INFANTILE MORTALITY (Total Population)

A G E	EXCLUSIVE OF STILL-BIRTHS			Deaths ⁺ under one year per 1,000 live births	INCLUSIVE OF STILL-BIRTHS (x)			Deaths ⁺ per 1,000 births
	Males	Females	Total		Males	Females	Total	
Under 3 months	559	367	926	43.3	1,389	993	2,385	91.6
3 months and under 6 months	129	122	251	51.2			251	107.9
6 months and under 12 months	180	177	356	67.2			366	122.9
1 year and under 2 years	295	295	590					
2 years and under 3 years	174	203	377					
3 years and under 4 years	68	109	177					
4 years and under 5 years	49	65	114					
	1,463	1,338	2,801					

(x) Inserted in consideration of the result of ante-natal influences.

+ The rate here refers to the total number of deaths occurring under the upper age limit.

INFANTILE MORTALITY RATES

Year	Rate
1946	145.2
1947	113.9
1948	136.2
1949	91.0
1950	76.3
1951	33.5
1952	20.8
1953	23.5
1954	31.3
1955	27.2

+ The number of deaths of infants under 1 year of age occurring in any year for every one thousand live births registered during the same year.

CAUSES OF DEATH - INFANTILE MORTALITY

Section [ⓐ]	Cause	Under 1 year	1 to 5 years
1	Infective and Parasitic Diseases	44	48
2	Neoplasms	-	1
3	Allergic, Endocrine System, Metabolic and Nutritional Diseases	13	69
4	Diseases of the Blood and Blood Forming Organs	11	70
5	Mental, Psychoneurotic & Personality Disorders	1	-
6	Diseases of the Nervous System & Sense Organs	16	6
7	Diseases of the Circulatory System	8	6
8	Diseases of the Respiratory System	196	133
9	Diseases of the Digestive System	419	583
10	Diseases of the Genito-Urinary System	1	15
11	Deliveries and complications of Pregnancy, Childbirth and the Puerperium	-	-
12	Diseases of the Skin & Cellular Tissue	1	1
13	Diseases of the Bones & Organs of Movement	-	3
14	Congenital Malformations	9	-
15	Certain diseases of early infancy	631	-
16	Symptoms Senility and ill-defined conditions	157	288
17	Accidents, Poisonings and Violence	6	35
	Total	1,543	1,258

ⓐ International Classification 1948.

INFANTILE MORTALITY

Infantile Mortality in 1955 was lower than in the previous year, the total number of deaths of infants under one year of age being 1,543 as compared with 1,778 in 1954. The rates of infantile mortality in 1955 were, however, lower in both populations than for any year anterior to 1949.

The inclusion of still-births raises the infantile mortality occurring under 3 months of age by 142%.

MATERNAL MORTALITY

The rate of maternal mortality for the total population in 1955 dropped to 1.5 per thousand births, a figure which shows a reduction of 86% when compared with the decennial average (1937 - 1946) of 10.5.

RODRIGUES ISLAND (Area 40 square miles)DEMOGRAPHYPOPULATION - Estimated as at 31st December.

Year	NUMBER OF PERSONS	
	Total	No. per square mile
1955	15,573	389

On the 29th of June, 1952, a Census of the population was taken in Rodrigues and the resident population was found to number 13,333, which when adjusted in respect of natural increase and migration, is brought to the figure of population stated above as at the end of 1955.

The inhabitants of the island belong almost entirely to the General Population. The number of inhabitants belonging to the Indian Population is extremely small being 1.4% of the total population. The ratio of males to females in the population is 1 : 1.03.

The rapid natural growth of the population observed in Mauritius is also taking place to some extent in its main dependency, where in five years, it has amounted to 15.3% of the original population.

VITAL STATISTICS

Year	Births	Deaths	Natural Increase	Birth rate per 1,000	Death rate per 1,000
1949	459	139	320	34.0	10.3
1950	557	158	399	40.5	11.5
1951	575	97	478	40.5	6.8
1952	569	122	447	42.6	9.1
1953	532	251	281	33.5	18.2
1954	527	125	462	41.2	8.3
1955	642	172	470	42.3	11.3

RODRIGUESAGE AT DEATH

Age	Males	Females	Total
Under one year	36	36	72
1 year and under 5 years	23	20	43
5 years and under 10 years	-	-	-
10 years and under 20 years	4	2	6
20 years and under 45 years	6	7	13
45 years and under 65 years	6	5	11
65 years and over	20	7	27
Total	95	77	172

INFANTILE MORTALITY

The infantile mortality in 1955 in the island was 112.1 per 1,000 live births; this figure being about 50% more than that for 1954.

MOVEMENT OF POPULATIONRODRIGUES

	General			Indo-Mauritian			Chinese			Total
	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	
Arrivals from Mauritius	353	165	518	164	26	190	125	28	153	861
Departures to Mauritius	422	264	686	189	25	214	121	34	155	1,055

M = Males

F = Females

T = Total

H E A L T H

The tables are computed from returns of the Medical and Health Department and of the Registrar General's Department.

PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES

In 1955, the Public Health Services consisted of 8 General Hospitals, 3 special hospitals (one for Poliomyelitis, one for Leprosy and one Mental Hospital) and 44⁺ public dispensaries and out-patients' department of hospitals, 4 mobile dispensaries, 1 mobile ante-natal clinic and 1 mobile dental clinic. On the whole, 298,417 cases (143,645 males and 154,772 females) were examined at the public dispensaries and the outpatients' department of the public hospitals; the number of outpatients in attendance was 457,114 whilst the total number of attendances at the mobile dispensaries was 92,149.

There were, in addition to the above, 4 private clinics, 8 maternity centres, (belonging to the Maternity and Child Welfare Society), 8 maternity wards in hospitals, 30 private hospitals and 11 dispensaries maintained on sugar estates.

+ excluding 3 prisons' dispensaries.

STATISTICS OF HOSPITALS

H O S P I T A L	Patients in hospital on 1.1.55	Total admissions	Deaths	Patients remaining on 31.12.55	No. of beds	No. of patients on any date during period under review		Medical cases	Surgical cases	No. of operations performed on	
						Maximum	Minimum			In-Patients	Out-patients
Civil	244	8,829	447	254	410	396	253	5,092	3,737	3,217	8,250
Long Mountain	19	1,424	44	21	65	55	15	1,299	125	13	349
Poudre d'Or	10	1,571	26	25	70	70	4	1,206	365	46	217
Flacq	32	1,925	47	23	115	99	23	1,600	325	66	1,942
Mahebourg	59	3,088	106	62	105	116	54	2,238	800	152	1,329
Souillac	45	1,379	36	43	39	101	23	1,523	356	103	1,299
Noka	25	1,776	50	33	80	85	27	1,139	637	455	1,191
Victoria	193	7,414	352	197	263	297	193	5,021	2,393	2,393	11,001
Mental*	20	451	34	21	73 ^o	56	14	426	25	67	-
Industrial School	5	144	-	6	16	11	2	69	75	4	32
Beau Bassin Prisons	11	267	1	12	30	13	6	162	105	15	425
Floreal ⁺	174	611	14	123	203	201	123	275	336	1,113	501
Lepor	41	4	1	40	62	44	40	4	-	11	1
Total	378	29,383	1,158	365	1,536	1,559	782	20,104	9,279	7,655	26,537

^o Infirmary only.

* Figures shown are for physical cases only. The Mental Hospital has a total bed strength of 707.

+ Hospital for Poliomyelitis and Orthopaedic Cases.

HEALTH SERVICES

D I S T R I C T	Medical Practitioners		Dentists	Pharmacists	Public Cometeries	Hospitals //	Leprosy Hospital	Orthopaedic & Polio Hospital	Mental Hospital	Public Dispensaries †	Government & Orphan Asylums	Private Clinics	Estate Hospitals	Beds in Estate Hospitals
	Private	Government												
Port Louis	11	13	12†	15	-	1	-	-	-	6	3	-	-	-
Pamplemousses	2	3	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	5	2	-	4	32
Riviere du Rempart	-	1	-	-	4	1	-	-	-	6	-	-	4	110
Flacq	1	2	-	1	6	1	-	-	-	7	-	-	6	93
Grand Port	-	2	-	2	5	1	-	-	-	6	2	-	6	146
Savanne	1	1	-	1	4	1	-	-	-	5	1	-	6	134
Plaines Wilhems	27	25	16	19	1	1	-	1	1	4	4	4	3	52
Black River	-	1	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	1	20
Moka	2	3	-	1	4	1	-	-	-	4	-	-	2	42
Total	44	55*	28	39†	29	8	1	1	1	45	15	4	32	649

† Excluding 1 belonging to Government Services.

+ 3 belonging to Government Medical Services.

© Excluding 1 Government Ante-Natal Clinic.

++ Excluding 4 Mobile Dispensaries and 2 Prisons Department Dispensaries.

* Excluding 2 posted in the Dependency of Rodrigues.

// Excluding 2 Prisons Hospitals.

STATEMENT OF THE CAUSES OF DEATH IN THE ISLAND DURING THE YEAR 1948

Section	Nature of disease	P O P U L A T I O N						Total Number of deaths	% of total	Death rate per 100,000 of population
		General		Male		Female				
		M	F	M	F	M	F			
I	Infective and parasitic diseases	79	34	113	115	83	198	211	4.4	56.6
II	Neoplasms	26	51	77	31	36	67	144	2.0	26.2
III	Allergic, endocrine system, metabolic and nutritional diseases	52	36	88	93	96	189	277	3.9	50.6
IV	Diseases of the blood and blood-forming organs	35	37	122	118	217	335	457	6.5	83.2
V	Mental, psychoneurotic and personality disorders	3	1	4	1	1	2	6	0.1	1.1
VI	Diseases of the nervous system and sense organs	23	91	174	144	74	218	392	5.5	71.4
VII	Diseases of the circulatory system	117	125	242	202	129	331	573	8.1	104.4
VIII	Diseases of the respiratory system	144	136	280	250	232	482	762	10.8	133.3
IX	Diseases of the digestive system	275	254	529	430	393	823	1,352	19.1	246.2
X	Diseases of the genito-urinary system	35	43	78	35	48	83	161	2.3	29.3
XI	Deliveries and complications of pregnancy, childbirth and the puerperium	-	9	9	-	27	27	36	0.5	6.6
XII	Diseases of the skin & cellular tissue	2	2	4	3	2	5	9	0.1	1.5
XIII	Diseases of the bones & organs of movement	2	-	2	11	9	20	22	0.3	4.0
XIV	Congenital malformations	4	2	6	2	1	3	9	0.2	1.8
XV	Certain diseases of early infancy	110	32	192	275	194	469	561	9.3	120.4
XVI	Symptoms, senility & ill-defined conditions	251	292	543	530	596	1,126	1,669	23.5	303.8
XVII	Accidents, poisonings & violence	65	19	84	117	46	163	247	3.5	45.0
Total		1,283	1,264	2,547	2,357	2,184	4,541	7,033	100.0	1290.8

+ International Classification 1948. * Includes Chinese.

CAUSES OF DEATH IN THE ISLAND

There was a considerable decrease (16%) in the number of deaths from all causes in 1955 as compared with 1954. The more important variations in the various disease sections are shown below :

Section	% increase or decrease in deaths
I	- 45
III	- 29
IV	- 18
VI	- 17
VIII	- 31
IX	- 23
X	- 54
XI	- 10
XV	- 2

The diseases responsible for the larger number of deaths were :-

- (i) Diseases of the Digestive System;
- (ii) Diseases of the Respiratory System;
- (iii) Diseases of the Circulatory System
- (iv) Diseases of early infancy.

Important decreases were recorded in deaths due to diseases of the genito-urinary system, in deaths due to infective and parasitic diseases, and in deaths due to diseases of the allergic and nutritional types.

Antimalarial works have been carried out in the island since 1942 and in 1949 an intensive campaign to eradicate malaria was started using insecticides. As a consequence, the number of deaths due to malaria has been constantly on the decrease in the course of the last ten years; in 1955 only 3 deaths due to this cause were registered as against 27 in 1954 and 61 in 1953.

The proportion of still-births (6.4% of live births) was slightly higher than last year.

DISEASES CAUSING HIGH MORTALITY IN MAURITIUS

SECTION	D I S E A S E	Actual Number of deaths	Death rate per 100,000 of population	Variation on 1954 rate
I	(Tuberculosis of the respiratory system	126	23	- 1
	Dysentery	62	11	- 7
	Tetanus	48	9	- 1
II	Neoplasm	144	26	- 1
III	Asthma	147	27	- 11
IV	Anaemia	457	83	- 23
VI	Diseases of the nervous system and sense organs	392	71	- 13
VII	Diseases of the circulatory system	573	104	- 2
VIII	(Influenza	63	12	- 17
	Pneumonia	282	51	- 29
	Bronchitis	313	57	- 27
IX	Enteritis & colitis	1,149	209	- 66
X	Nephritis	146	27	- 35
XV	Diseases peculiar to early infancy	661	120	- 8
XVII	Accidents, poisoning and violence	247	45	+ 3

TUBERCULOSIS

Year	No. of deaths in the Colony due to the disease	% to total deaths in the Colony	Crude death rate from tuberculosis per million living
1946	196	1.57	462
1947	171	1.97	395
1948	269	2.56	609
1949	301	4.08	677
1950	244	3.73	525
1951	235	3.26	436
1952	201	2.70	401
1953	146	1.76	283
1954	133	1.57	251
1955	134	1.89	244

The case mortality among hospital patients suffering from tuberculosis was 12.5%.

MATERNAL MORTALITY RATE⁺

Year	Rate per 1,000	Year	Rate per 1,000
1946	10.39	1951	3.20
1947	5.25	1952	3.19
1948	4.10	1953	2.71
1949	3.80	1954	1.72
1950	3.51	1955	1.47

+ The ratio of the number of deaths ascribed to the Puerperal State to the total number of births, including still-births.

On the whole the rate of maternal mortality this year was 15% less than last year, and has fallen by 86% as compared with the 1946 rate.

MAIN CAUSES OF MORBIDITY

D I S E A S E	In-patients at hospitals	Out-patients at hospitals and Static Dispensaries
Tuberculosis (all forms)	422	12
Syphilis and its sequelae	138	409
Dysentery (all forms)	164	3,456
Schistosomiasis (vesical)	35	324
Filariasis	21	53
Ankylostomiasis	206	6,960
Ascariasis	68	14,504
Scabies	50	5,522
Avitaminosis and other deficiency states	389	3,844
Anaemias	2,014	29,753
Asthma	436	4,027
Inflammatory disease of eye	80	3,807
Influenza	640	27,877
Pneumonias	222	33
Bronchitis	419	4,043
Diseases of teeth and supporting structures	102	11,319
Gastro-enteritis and colitis (between 4 weeks and 2 years)	171	4,042
Gastro-enteritis and colitis (between 2 years and over)	234	3,969
Complications of pregnancy, childbirth and the puerperium	1,667*	6,415
Infections of skin and subcutaneous tissue	962	13,575
Muscular rheumatism and rheumatism unspecified	293	11,894
Accidents, poisonings and violence	3,499	48,753

Number of persons treated for malaria in public hospitals

Year	Number of malaria cases	Case % mortality
1946	2,522	4.20
1947	1,989	3.32
1948	1,576	4.19
1949	804	5.35
1950	209	4.80
1951	98	4.08
1952	3	NIL
1953	NIL	NIL
1954	3	NIL
1955	1	NIL

CAUSES OF MORBIDITY

Anaemia and influenza rank first in importance. The total cases of anaemia treated in hospitals and dispensaries show an increase of 12.6% and those of influenza show an increase of 6.5% as compared with last year.

* Excluding 2,492 normal deliveries.

The number of cases of Tuberculosis reported showed an increase of 26% over last year, and the number of deaths described to this disease was almost the same (134 in 1955 as compared with 133 in 1954). Cases of complications of pregnancy, childbirth and the puerperium were lower by 15% while cases of Accidents, Poisoning and Violence reached a higher figure by 25%.

HOSPITAL STATISTICS
(Corresponding to the 1948 International Classification)

Section	D I S E A S E	M A L E		F E M A L E		T O T A L		% of total cases	% of total deaths
		No. of cases	No. of deaths	No. of cases	No. of deaths	No. of cases	No. of deaths		
I	Infective and Parasitic Diseases	830	89	642	34	1,472	126	5.84	10.62
II	Neoplasms	133	17	300	10	433	27	1.72	2.33
III	Allergic, Endocrine System, Metabolic & Nutritional Diseases	504	37	565	28	1,069	65	4.24	5.61
IV	Diseases of the Blood & Blood-forming organs	310	12	1,417	24	2,027	36	3.05	3.11
V	Mental, Psychoneurotic & Personality Disorders	342	2	234	-	576	2	2.29	0.17
VI	Diseases of the Nervous System & Sense Organs	727	62	497	29	1,224	91	4.86	7.36
VII	Diseases of the Circulatory System	754	33	431	53	1,185	141	4.70	12.13
VIII	Diseases of the Respiratory System	950	43	658	35	1,613	83	6.42	7.17
IX	Diseases of the Digestive System	1,645	36	1,132	57	2,777	143	11.03	12.35
X	Diseases of the Genito-Urinary System	495	11	707	13	1,202	24	4.77	2.07
XI	Deliveries & Complications of Pregnancy, Childbirth, etc.	-	-	4,358	36	4,358	36	17.30	3.11
XII	Diseases of the skin & cellular tissue	627	-	335	1	962	1	3.82	0.09
XIII	Diseases of the Bones & Organs of Movement	303	-	205	1	513	1	2.04	0.09
XIV	Congenital malformations	46	2	24	-	70	2	0.28	0.17
XV	Certain diseases of early infancy	133	110	99	84	232	194	0.92	13.75
XVI	Symptoms, Senility & III-defined Conditions	909	34	1,062	28	1,971	62	7.83	5.35
XVII	Accidents, Poisonings & Violence	2,745	33	754	39	3,499	127	13.89	10.97
	Total	11,758	636	13,430	472	25,163	1,158	100.00	100.00

NOTIFIABLE CONTAGIOUS OR COMMUNICABLE DISEASES BY DISTRICT

D I S T R I C T	Typhoid fever	Diphtheria	Acute Poliomyelitis	Erysipelas	Puerperal fever	Tuberculosis	Leprosy
Port Louis	5	16	3	1	1	159	1
Pamplemousses	10	3	1	-	-	21	-
Riviere du Rempart	4	2	-	-	-	25	-
Flacq	5	2	1	-	-	33	-
Grand Port	8	4	2	-	1	23	-
Savanne	3	1	-	-	-	10	-
Plaines Wilhems	15	35	1	-	1	87	-
Black River	8	-	-	-	1	4	-
Moka	8	4	1	-	-	6	-
Total	66	67	9	1	4	368	1

The incidence of typhoid fever in 1955 showed a decrease of 25% over last year.

MONTHLY NOTIFICATIONS OF NOTIFIABLE CONTAGIOUS OR COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

Month	Typhoid fever	Dyphtheria	Acute Poliomyelitis	Erysipelas	Puerperal fever	Tuberculosis	Leprosy
January	5	2	-	-	-	26	1
February	5	11	1	-	-	41	-
March	8	5	1	-	-	12	-
April	5	5	-	1	-	26	-
May	6	4	1	-	1	24	-
June	8	4	1	-	-	26	-
July	5	8	2	-	-	47	-
August	-	10	-	-	1	29	-
September	10	3	-	-	-	40	-
October	9	-	1	-	-	20	-
November	2	6	1	-	1	35	-
December	3	9	1	-	1	42	-
Total	66	67	9	1	4	368	1

JUDICIAL STATISTICS
P O L I C E

The establishment of the Regular Force in Mauritius and Rodrigues at the end of 1955 was constituted as follows :-

1	Commissioner
1	Deputy Commissioner
1	Police Medical Officer
10	Superintendents
1	Pay and Quartermaster
1	Assistant Pay and Quartermaster
14	Assistant Superintendents (1 at Rodrigues)
32	Inspectors & Sub-Inspectors (1 attached to the Railways and 1 at Rodrigues)
100	Sergeants (1 attached to the Railways and 2 at Rodrigues)
117	Corporals (1 at Rodrigues)
755	Constables (9 attached to the Railways and 22 at Rodrigues)
25	Police Women

The Police Band comprised:-

1	Bandmaster
1	Inspector
1	Sub-Inspector
5	Sergeants (1 at Rodrigues)
2	Corporals
22	Bandsmen
9	Band Cadets

The following table shows the establishment of the Police Force in Mauritius and the proportion of police to population for the last 10 years :-

Year ended 31st December	Officers	OTHER		RANKS		Total (+)	Proportion of Police to population
		Inspectorate	Sergeants	Corporals	Constables		
1946	25	12	51	64	536	688	1 : 625
1947	25	12	51	64	536	688	1 : 634
1948	25	12	52	64	542	695	1 : 635
1949	26	11	52	65	542	696	1 : 656
1950	26	14	57	72	630	799	1 : 595
1951	26	16	67	86	732	927	1 : 533
1952	26	79	95	110	691	1,001	1 : 509
1953	26	79	95	110	691	1,001	1 : 524
1954	26	79	95	110	691	1,001	1 : 533
1955	28	31	98	116	733	1,056	1 : 530

(+) Excluding Women Police, Police Band and Rodrigues Police.

CRIMINAL STATISTICS

OFFENCES REPORTED TO AND DEALT WITH BY THE POLICE - YEAR 1955

O F F E N C E S	Total reported during year 1955	Pending investigation at 31.12.55	Not taken to Court	TAKEN TO COURT			Awaiting trial at 31.12.55
				Total	Convicted	Dismissed		Nolle prosequi
<u>AGAINST LAWFUL AUTHORITY</u>	295	9	52	234	170	15	49
Sedition	1	-	-	1	-	-	1
Perjury	29	2	3	19	14	-	5
Riots, Illegal Strikes and Branches of the peace	21	-	4	17	14	2	1
Effecting public mischief	17	-	1	16	9	-	7
Assault against public functionary	4	-	-	4	4	-	-
Outrage and assault against public functionary	223	7	39	177	129	13	35
<u>AGAINST PUBLIC MORALITY</u>	113	11	53	49	32	3	9
Rape and attempt upon chastity	55	10	33	12	9	2	1
Sodomy and bestiality	3	1	4	3	3	-	-
Sexual intercourse with female under 12 years	1	-	-	1	1	-	-
Gross indecent act in public	49	-	16	33	19	6	3

@ causing effusion of blood or with premeditation or lying in wait.

OFFENCES REPORTED TO AND DEALT WITH BY THE POLICE - YEAR 1955 (continued)

O F F E N C E S	Total reported during year 1955	Pending investigation at 31.12.55	Not taken to Court	TAKEN TO COURT			Awaiting trial at 31.12.55
				Total	Convicted	Dismissed		No. in prosecution
<u>AGAINST THE PERSON</u>	11,756	607	8,714	2,435	1,736	192	505
Murder and manslaughter	14	3	6	5	2	7	1
Murder of a newly-born child	1	-	1	-	-	-	-
Poisoning	2	1	1	-	-	-	-
Abortion	6	3	3	-	-	-	-
Involuntary Homicide	7	1	1	5	2	2	1
Wounds & blows causing death or loss of limb or eye	16	1	-	15	10	-	5
Concealment of birth	1	-	-	1	-	-	1
Abduction of minors	2	-	1	1	-	-	1
Serious wounds & blows	73	3	22	48	26	5	17
Simple wounds & blows	11,442	592	8,649	2,201	1,593	163	442
Involuntary wounds and blows	165	3	26	134	88	14	32
False and malicious denunciation in writing	27	-	2	25	15	5	5
<u>AGAINST PROPERTY</u>	5,130	510	3,215	1,405	1,033	102	263
Larceny night breaking	203	19	103	66	56	3	27
Larceny with violence	112	6	80	26	15	8	3
Larceny armed with offensive weapon	1	-	1	-	-	-	-

OFFENCES REPORTED TO AND DEALT WITH BY THE POLICE - YEAR 1955 (continued)

O F F E N C E S	Total reported during year 1955	Pending investigation at 31.12.55	Not taken to Court	TAKEN TO COURT			Awaiting trial at 31.12.55
				Total	Convicted	Dismissed		Nolle prosequi
<u>AGAINST PROPERTY (cont'd)</u>							
Other larcenies with aggravating circumstances	387	31	136	220	174	9	37
Arson	11	4	7	-	-	-	-
Poaching	42	1	27	14	6	6	2
Larceny praedial	188	8	52	128	106	4	18
Larceny of bicycle	780	74	637	69	57	2	10
Larceny simple	2,381	242	1,541	598	437	41	119
Larceny of fowls	169	16	96	57	46	2	9
Receiving stolen property	59	6	3	50	35	7	8
Swindling	123	14	77	32	20	4	8
Forgery	60	17	15	28	21	3	4
Embezzlement @	609	72	440	97	60	13	23
	3,465	43	253	3,169	2,931	30	203
<u>AGAINST THE PENAL CODE</u>							
Personation	17	3	11	3	2	-	1
Bribery by public functionary	1	-	1	-	-	-	-
Bribing public functionary	3	-	1	2	2	-	-
Coinage	1	-	1	-	-	-	-
Vagrancy	261	10	87	104	84	10	10
Dis'urbance	1,899	25	121	1,753	1,599	20	134
Drunkenness	1,343	5	31	1,307	1,244	-	63

@ by public servant or person in service receiving wages, or clerk etc., and simple embezzlement.

OFFENCES REPORTED TO AND DEALT WITH BY THE POLICE - YEAR 1955 (continued)

O F F E N C E S	Total reported during year 1955	Pending investigation at 31.12.55	Not taken to Court	Total	TAKEN TO COURT			Awaiting trial at 31.12.55
					Convicted	Dismissed	Nolle Prosequi	
<u>AGAINST LOCAL LAWS</u>	32,677	732	11,275	20,670	18,612	326	6	1,726
(a) <u>Traffic</u>	21,409	314	4,705	16,390	14,990	194	-	1,206
Dangerous, inconsiderate and negligent driving	534	11	98	475	320	60	-	95
Driving under influence of liquor	45	1	1	43	31	3	-	9
Exceeding speed	1,198	-	548	650	614	-	-	36
Bicycle contraventions	6,047	53	962	5,027	4,788	17	-	222
Contraventions by pedestrians	91	2	12	77	68	1	-	3
Using unlicensed motor vehicle	293	12	129	152	116	7	-	29
Other traffic offences	13,151	230	2,955	9,966	9,053	106	-	807
(b) <u>Distillery Laws</u>	382	12	95	275	225	5	1	44
Illicit distillation of colonial spirits	4	1	1	2	1	-	1	-
Illicit removal or possession of colonial spirits, wash or country liquor	20	4	1	15	12	2	-	1
Other offences against distillery laws	358	7	93	258	212	3	-	43
(c) <u>Offences against Licence Laws</u>	598	11	141	446	396	3	-	47

OFFENCES REPORTED TO AND DEALT WITH BY THE POLICE - YEAR 1955 (continued)

O F F E N C E S	Total reported during year 1955	Pending investigation at 31.12.55	Not taken to Court	Total	TAKEN		COURT		Awaiting trial at 31.12.55
					Convicted	Dismissed	Dismissed	Nolle prosequi	
<u>AGAINST LOCAL LAWS</u> (continued)									
(d) <u>Miscellaneous</u>	10,283	395	6,334	3,559	3,001	124	5		429
Offences against Weights & Measures Ordinance	144	1	51	92	68	1	-		23
Illegal Slaughtering	31	3	4	24	20	-	-		4
Smuggling	2	-	1	1	-	-	-		1
Offences against the Dangerous Drugs Ordinance	96	11	14	71	56	2	-		13
Offences against Firearms' Ordinance	47	-	13	34	30	1	-		3
Offences against Election Laws	4	-	1	3	3	-	-		-
Swearing false affidavit	41	12	5	24	22	2	-		1
Offences against Food and Defence Regulations	10	-	5	5	4	-	-		1
Offences against the Shop Hours Ordinance	907	3	125	779	701	10	-		68
Garbling and Public Lotteries	37	3	2	32	25	3	-		4
Breach of Habitual Criminal Regulations	58	-	4	54	52	-	-		2
Offences against Harbour Regulations	31	-	-	31	29	-	-		2
Other Offences	3,880	362	5,100	2,359	1,941	106	5		307
GRAND TOTAL	53,436	1,912	23,562	27,962	24,514	673	10		2,765

SERIOUS CASES REPORTED

Murder & Manslaughter	14
Poisoning	2
Abortion	6
Wounds & Blows causing death or loss of limb or eye	16
Larceny (exclusive of praedial larceny)	3,717
Receiving & possession of stolen property	59
Embezzlement	609
Burglary	208
Robbery	113
Forgery	60
Praedial larceny	188
Offences under the Distillery & Liquor Laws	382
Other serious offences	515

83 cases were prosecuted under the Dangerous Drugs Ordinance.

FIRES

670 cases of fire were reported to the Police in 1955 of which 11 were cases of arson.

JUVENILE CRIMINALITY

Offence	Number arrested and convicted			
	1952	1953	1954	1955
Larceny	127	74	87	84
Larceny, praedial	2	1	11	3
Larceny with violence	2	1	-	3
Larceny being two in number or more	30	10	9	15
Larceny with breaking	11	11	-	4
Larceny with night breaking	5	2	8	16
Larceny by person in receipt of wages	2	5	3	-
Larceny by servant	3	5	3	-
Larceny with aggravating circumstances	36	17	15	17
Possession of stolen property	3	5	6	3
Vagrancy	12	2	10	9
Plundering	113	60	38	39
Wounds and Blows	57	79	85	51
Offences against morality	2	-	1	2
Roguary and vagabondage	8	1	1	1
Forgery	3	3	1	3
Various offences	807	145	182	132

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DEPARTMENT

The following is a statement of cases referred to, and dealt with by the Investigation Branch of the Criminal Investigation Department :-

	Crime	Misdemeanours
Number of true cases declared	47	61
Number of cases in which prosecution was entered	41	38

BICYCLE THEFTS

YEAR	Number of bicycles	
	Lost or stolen	Recovered
1955	780	193

HABITUAL CRIMINALS

There were 2,135 male reconvicted criminals (including 218 first offenders reconvicted during the year) in Mauritius in 1955. At the end of the year

203 were in Prison;

349 were under Police supervision;

32 were at liberty on licence;

105 were in the Mauritius Pioneer Corps
(84 of these were serving overseas).

VIOLENCE AND ASSAULTS

Assaults with violence are common. 1,354 cases of wounds and blows were examined by the Police Medical Officer and 2,345 medical reports were forwarded to the Police for use in evidence.

51 cases of rape and sexual assaults were dealt with.

SUICIDE

10 cases were reported and investigated during the year and the following causes of death were found : 3 by poisoning, 6 by hanging and 1 by gunshot.

FORGERY AND THEFT

In 1955, 363 exhibits related to cases of forgery, swindling and other fraudulent alteration of deeds and documents were examined in the Forensic Laboratory. The corresponding number of exhibits for 1954 was 603.

FIREARMS

The number of firearms licensed during the year was 5,902. The comparative figures for 1953 and 1954 were 5,421 and 5,715 respectively.

JUDICIALSUPREME COURT

In the Supreme Court, in 1955, the following cases were dealt with :

	Civil Cases	Divorce Cases	Criminal Appeals	Civil Appeals	Motions & other applications	Bankruptcy cases
New cases entered during the year	49	307	42	33	153	173
Cases disposed of	64	259	49	42	155	155

There were 29 cases brought for trial before the Court of Assizes in which there were 35 accused parties.

	Number of cases
Murder	6
Attempt at murder	2
Manslaughter	5
Wounds & blows causing death without intention to kill	5
Involuntary homicide	5
Rape and complicity in rape	5
Bigamy	1
Total	29

25 of the accused parties were convicted, 7 were acquitted, and 3 were discharged for want of prosecution.

In one of the 6 cases of murder, 1 accused party was sentenced to death, but the sentence was commuted to 12 years' penal servitude.

PERSONS DEALT WITH BY THE COURTS, INCLUDING THE COURT OF ASSIZES - 1955

OFFENCES	Total arrested or summoned to Court	Acquitted	Nolle prosequi	Awaiting trial at 31.12.55	Total	C O N V I C T E D						First offenders' act or warning		
						Death		Imprisonment		Fine				
						M	F	M	F	M	F		J	
<u>AGAINST LAWFUL AUTHORITY</u>	559	34	11	215	299	-	-	63	1	-	193	10	-	32
Perjury	27	-	-	14	13	-	-	9	-	-	-	-	-	4
Riots, illegal strikes & Breaches of the peace	64	11	4	14	35	-	-	4	1	-	2	1	-	27
Effecting public mischief	41	2	-	12	27	-	-	3	-	-	23	1	-	-
Assault against public functionary	153	7	-	54	93	-	-	8	-	-	81	3	-	-
Others	274	14	7	121	132	-	-	39	-	-	87	5	-	1
<u>AGAINST PUBLIC MORALITY</u>	306	40	9	77	130	-	-	18	-	-	154	4	1	3
Bigamy	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rape	11	1	2	-	8	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sodomy and Bestiality	5	-	-	2	3	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	1
Gross indecent act in public	88	12	-	21	55	-	-	1	-	-	54	-	-	-
Others	201	27	7	54	113	-	-	6	-	-	100	4	1	2

M = Male adults; F = Female adults; J = Juveniles.

PERSONS DEALT WITH BY THE COURTS INCLUDING THE COURT OF ASSIZES - 1955 (continued)

OFFENCES	Total arrested or summoned to Court	Acquitted	Nolle prosequi	Awaiting trial at 31.12.55	Total	C O N V I C T E D				First offenders' act or warning				
						Death		Imprisonment			Fine			
						M	F	M	F		M	F	M	J
<u>AGAINST THE PERSON</u>	5,082	409	48	1,924	2,651	-	-	193	2	1	2,280	100	25	50
Murder and Manslaughter	4	-	-	-	4	-	-	3	1	-	-	-	-	-
Attempted murder and suicide	2	-	-	-	2	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Involuntary homicide	5	4	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wounds & blows causing death	11	-	1	-	10	-	-	10	-	-	-	-	-	-
Serious wounds & blows	377	23	1	206	147	-	-	87	-	-	51	-	-	9
Simple & involuntary wounds and blows	3,846	296	17	1,401	2,132	-	-	64	1	-	1,928	30	25	34
Others	787	86	29	317	355	-	-	26	-	1	301	29	-	7
<u>AGAINST PROPERTY</u>	4,285	247	38	1,064	2,936	-	-	836	10	51	1,126	437	54	362
Larceny with violence	46	9	-	9	28	-	-	25	-	-	-	-	-	3
Other larcenies with aggravating circumstances	501	19	14	170	298	-	-	216	3	6	-	-	-	73
Receiving stolen property and possession of stolen property	87	16	-	33	38	-	-	26	1	-	-	-	-	11
Larceny simple	1,223	31	13	391	738	-	-	460	2	35	37	-	-	204
Swindling and embezzlement	241	24	4	102	111	-	-	38	1	5	51	-	-	16
Forgery	61	5	2	23	31	-	-	23	1	-	8	-	-	5

M = Male adults; F = Female adults; J = Juveniles.

PERSONS DEALT WITH BY THE COURTS, INCLUDING THE COURT OF ASSIZES, - 1955 (continued)

OFFENCES	Total arrested or summoned to Court	Acquitted	Nolle prosequi at 31.12.55	Total	C O N V I C T E D						First offenders act or warning											
					Death		Imprisonment		Fine													
					M	F	M	F	J	M		F	J									
<u>AGAINST PROPERTY</u> (continued)																						
Criginal damage to property	232	16	2	62	152	-	-	-	-	-	-	145	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Others	1,894	77	3	274	1,540	-	-	48	2	5	951	430	54	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50	
<u>AGAINST THE PENAL CODE</u>																						
Personation	7	1	-	3	3	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vagrancy	126	5	2	31	33	-	-	68	1	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	17	
Disturbance	2,595	75	9	276	2,235	-	-	1	-	-	2,018	206	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Drunkenness	1,490	1	8	90	1,391	-	-	-	-	-	1,387	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Others	832	15	28	126	663	-	-	6	-	1	489	155	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	
<u>AGAINST LOCAL LAWS</u>																						
Against Traffic Ord.	26,388	439	136	2,764	22,999	-	-	321	10	2	22,818	266	132	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	
Against Liquor Ord.	20,165	295	100	1,846	17,924	-	-	17	-	-	17,705	64	136	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	
Against Licence Laws	343	7	3	62	276	-	-	22	-	-	254	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Gambling & Public Lotteries	537	6	10	47	474	-	-	-	-	-	468	4	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Against Milk Trade Regulations	133	21	-	8	104	-	-	-	-	-	104	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Against Forestry Laws	343	3	1	45	299	-	-	27	6	-	257	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Against Fisheries Laws	205	4	-	15	186	-	-	-	-	-	180	13	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Others	349	6	9	95	239	-	-	63	-	-	173	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	4,303	97	63	646	3,497	-	-	192	4	2	3,083	173	40	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	
GRAND TOTAL	41,620	1,266	339	6,570	33,445	-	-	1,509	24	55	20,922	1,182	276	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	477	

M = Male adults; F = Female adults; J = Juveniles.

OFFENCES AGAINST THE FISHERY LAWS

Year	Total number of contraventions	No. of cases prosecuted	Number of convictions	Total fines inflicted	Number of boats seized	Number of illegal nets seized
1946	772	657	644	<u>Rs.</u> 10,546	19	111
1947	770	676	664	11,924	7	99
1948	757	612	592	10,146	17	80
1949	777	664	660	9,203	7	75
1950	591	559	542	7,998	20	103
1951	788	707	690	11,595	15	113
1952	605	511	483	10,304	4	106
1953	550	509	501	15,057	17	120
1954	615	525	514	14,415	15	143
1955	524	451	444	14,246	20	100

SUMMARY OF OFFENCES AGAINST THE FOREST LAWS DURING THE YEAR 1955

Category of offences	Cases taken to Court		Cases dealt with departmentally	Cases in which offenders remained unknown	TOTAL	
	Imprisonment	Fines			Cases	No. of persons involved
1. <u>Unauthorised felling or removal:-</u>						
(a) In Crown Forests	1	91	11	70	174	171
(b) In Mountain Reserves	1	9	-	7	17	13
(c) In River Reserves	-	86	10	53	149	121
(d) In Pas Geometriques	-	6	3	9	13	13
2. <u>Illegal possession of Indigenous Forest Produce</u>	-	7	-	-	8	8
3. <u>Possession of tools:-</u>						
(a) In Crown Forests	-	10	1	-	11	11
(b) In River Reserves	-	15	-	-	15	15
4. <u>Conflagration in Crown Forests</u>	-	-	-	21	21	-
5. <u>Encroachment in River Reserves</u>	-	26	11	-	39	50
6. <u>Plundering in Crown Forests</u>	-	2	-	-	2	2
TOTAL	2	254	36	160	454	414

PRISONS STATISTICS

O F F E N C E	Total No. of persons sentenced	NATURE OF SENTENCE			DISTRIBUTION OF OFFENCES ACCORDING TO													
		Bor- stal	Imprisonment		Death	Age of offender		Education of offender										
			for non payment of fine	less than 1 month		One & more than 1 month	Penal servitude		under 25	25 to 50	Over 50	Illite- rate offender	able to read and write					
MEN																		
Homicide	22	-	-	15	7	-	6	16	-	9	13							
Unnatural Crimes	11	1	-	2	3	-	3	7	1	7	4							
Offences against the person	136	-	11	33	1	-	46	37	3	74	62							
Offences against property	475	43	12	396	9	-	214	234	27	199	276							
Praedial larceny	15	-	-	15	-	-	2	13	-	9	6							
Drunkennes and disorder	295	-	42	7	-	-	35	217	43	143	152							
Other crimes and contra- ventions	353	3	51	243	-	-	33	255	20	175	133							
TOTAL	1,312	52	116	766	25	-	339	329	94	616	696							
WOMEN																		
Homicide	1	-	-	-	-	1*	-	1	-	-	1							
Unnatural Crimes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-							
Offences against the person	2	-	-	1	-	-	2	-	-	2	-							
Offences against property	17	-	4	13	-	-	12	4	1	14	3							
Praedial larceny	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-							
Drunkennes and disorder	4	-	4	-	-	-	1	2	1	4	-							
Other crimes and contra- ventions	5	-	2	1	-	-	2	2	1	5	-							
TOTAL	29	-	10	15	-	1*	17	9	3	25	4							
GRAND TOTAL	1,341	52	126	781	25	1*	406	333	97	641	700							

* Sentence subsequently reduced to one of Penal Servitude for 12 years.

JUVENILE OFFENDERS DETAINED AT THE INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL

O F F E N C E	S E N T E N C E			Detained till the age of 18	Total	A G E O F O F F E N D E R			Total
	Less than 3 years	3 years	Over 3 years			Under 10 years	10 - 14 years	Over 14 years	
Unnatural crimes	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	2	2
Offences against persons	-	13	1	18	32	-	13	18	31
Offences against property	-	1	-	2	3	-	1	3	4
Vagrancy	-	1	-	-	1	-	1	-	1
Other Offences	-	-	-	3	3	-	2	1	3
TOTAL	-	15	1	25	41	-	17	24	41

PROBATION

Legislation on this subject first came into force in 1947. Since the 3rd October, 1949, the Probation system covers the whole Island.

NUMBER OF PERSONS RELEASED ON PROBATION

Year	Juveniles		Adults		Total
	Males	Females	Males	Females	
1947	35	1	8	1	45
1948	53	5	32	2	97
1949	69	2	37	12	120
1950	91	11	183	24	209
1951	106	10	189	41	346
1952	117	10	177	29	333
1953	91	6	153	32	287
1954	111	8	156	42	317
1955	115	10	163	26	319

NUMBER OF PERSONS WHO COMMITTED A BREACH OF THE CONDITION
OF THE PROBATION ORDER OR WHO OFFENDED AGAIN

Year	Juveniles		Adults		Total
	Males	Females	Males	Females	
1947	4	-	-	-	4
1948	15	-	-	-	15
1949	10	1	3	1	15
1950	5	1	10	1	17
1951	16	1	20	1	38
1952	19	-	15	2	36
1953	12	1	9	3	31
1954	10	1	19	-	30
1955	21	-	13	2	41

In 1955, 272 probationers successfully completed their period of probation, as compared with 294 in 1954.

LABOUR AND SOCIALL A B O U REmployment and Wages in local industries

The Labour Ordinance No. 47 of 1933 provides for the compulsory submission by employers to the Labour Department of quarterly or half-yearly returns giving the number of workers employed, actual earnings and information relating to compensation cases as they occur and to camp population.

These returns are however restricted to establishments where more than 9 workers are employed or where 25 acres of land or more are cultivated.

A statement of employment and wages of skilled workers in Sugar Factories is submitted bi-annually by the Sugar Factories to the Central Statistical Office. The statistics given in the table hereafter concerning the Sugar Factories are compiled from these returns.

The Wages of the workers of the Sugar Industry are fixed by means of a trade agreement between the Sugar Industry employers represented by the Sugar Producers' Association and the Sugar Industry workers represented by the General Workers' Union for the artisans and the Mauritius Amalgamated Labourers' Association for the labourers.

As regards employment and wages ruling in occupations, trades and industries in which employers are not compelled by the provisions of the Labour Ordinance to submit employment returns, periodical surveys are carried out by the Labour Department.

W A G E SWages of skilled workers in the Sugar Factories

Category of workers	W A G E S					
	M O N T H L Y			D A I L Y		
	Lowest	Highest	Average ⁺	Lowest	Highest	Average ⁺
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
CATEGORY "A" Grade						
Fitters [≡] I	112.50	210.00	131.53	4.37	5.42	4.35
II	95.00	112.50	97.70	3.45	4.15	3.65
III	69.00	93.56	73.73	2.41	3.39	3.04
Turners [≡] I	105.00	165.00	117.29	-	-	-
II	82.50	118.64	90.17	3.42	4.15	3.57
III	60.50	73.75	67.49	2.37	3.17	2.85
Tinsmiths [≡]	60.50	86.50	69.51	2.75	5.42	3.67
Blacksmiths [≡] I	95.00	165.00	103.31	-	-	-
II	86.00	95.00	83.10	3.45	4.50	3.66
III	60.50	73.37	70.66	2.11	3.27	2.71
Coppersmiths [≡] I	95.00	157.50	114.84	-	-	-
II	69.00	95.00	86.31	-	-	3.62
Boiler Makers [≡] I	95.00	156.00	103.17	-	-	-
II	69.00	86.50	77.33	-	-	2.75
Welders [≡] I	95.00	167.00	111.91	-	-	-
II	69.00	112.50	85.41	2.05	5.50	3.23
Pattern Makers [≡] I	93.50	172.50	103.32	-	-	-
II	-	-	73.00	-	-	3.97

+ Weighted average.

Wages of skilled workers in the Sugar Factories (continued)

		W A G E S					
		M O N T H L Y			D A I L Y		
		Lowest	Highest	Average ⁺	Lowest	Highest	Average ⁺
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
CATEGORY "A"	Grade						
Moulders *	I	100.00	202.50	124.72	-	-	-
	II	69.00	73.75	73.88	-	-	3.05
Pan Boilers ⁺	I	130.00	211.73	143.25	-	-	-
	II	95.00	129.00	103.95	3.34	4.07	3.90
	III	60.50	95.00	75.42	2.23	3.40	2.37
Masons*	Chief	86.50	112.50	94.93	-	-	5.50
	Others	62.00	83.93	73.63	2.43	5.00	3.32
Carpenters*	Chief	95.00	197.00	103.61	-	-	-
	Others	61.00	95.00	71.47	2.64	4.26	3.16
Motor Mechanics	Chief	160.00	293.10	193.63	-	-	-
Motor Mechanics	Gdc. I	95.00	139.00	120.14	3.45	5.64	3.79
	II	43.50	95.50	74.65	2.21	3.40	2.94
Motor Vehicle Drivers	I	67.50	107.00	70.34	-	-	-
	II	59.00	67.30	61.03	3.50	4.00	3.67
	III	52.00	59.50	56.64	2.20	3.39	2.60
Tractor Drivers ⁺	I	67.50	236.25	103.59	-	-	-
	II	55.00	65.30	59.74	2.07	5.00	2.51
	III	48.30	57.73	52.29	-	-	-
Loco Fitters*	I	112.00	212.50	136.67	-	-	-
	II	95.00	112.50	99.75	3.66	4.00	3.63
	III	69.00	83.42	71.57	2.75	3.39	2.94
Electricians*	I	101.31	214.40	143.93	-	-	-
CATEGORY "B"							
Electricians*	II	55.00	113.64	75.79	2.03	3.59	3.07
Mill Drivers ⁺	I	55.00	66.50	57.20	2.12	5.00	2.90
	II	45.07	55.00	48.60	-	-	2.01
Boiler Attendants ⁺		46.40	112.50	67.07	-	-	2.23
Derrick Drivers ⁺	I	69.00	109.42	75.41	-	-	-
	II	61.00	69.50	62.35	2.39	3.50	2.73
Loco Drivers ⁺		55.00	115.00	62.40	2.25	3.05	2.65
MESSENGERS⁺							
Laboratory		47.50	135.59	73.33	-	-	2.01
Office		38.36	75.00	53.30	1.62	2.71	2.23
Stores		43.50	95.00	54.96	1.93	1.97	1.94

Cost of Living Allowance Cat. A & B : 47½%

End of year bonus : To all workers employed by the month - 3 months basic wage;

OVERTIME:-

(a) * For the first 4 hours ... Time + ½, thereafter ... Double Time

(b) † For the first 4 hours ... Time + 1/3, thereafter ... Time + ½

Sundays : Double rate.

+ Weighted average.

WAGES OF SKILLED WORKERS - OTHER INDUSTRIES +

	Employed by the month			Employed by the day		
	Highest	Lowest	Average	Highest	Lowest	Average
<u>ISIC</u>	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
23 <u>ALOE FIBRE INDUSTRY</u>						
Factory:						
Engine Drivers	129.56	100.00	119.70	6.00	4.16	5.90
Decortication Operators	-	-	-	7.00	3.66	5.05
21 <u>AERATED WATER WORKS</u>						
Artisans	275.00	99.82	117.70	7.00	3.46	4.25
Drivers	200.00	95.00	153.22	5.00	4.50	4.53
40 <u>BUILDING CONTRACTORS</u>						
Foremen	300.00	250.00	275.00	-	-	8.50
Carpenters - Head	-	-	-	-	-	8.00
Grade I - III	-	-	-	7.50	4.00	5.70
Masons - Head	-	-	-	-	-	8.00
Grade I - III	-	-	-	7.00	4.00	5.30
Blacksmiths	-	-	-	6.00	5.00	5.42
Painters	-	-	-	7.60	6.00	6.30
Tinsmiths	-	-	-	-	-	8.00
22 <u>CIGARETTE MANUFACTURE</u>						
Artisans	-	-	300.00	7.05	5.70	6.47
Drivers	-	-	-	6.00	4.81	5.05
21 <u>DISTILLING INDUSTRY</u>						
Artisans	-	-	125.00	6.46	4.35	5.63
Drivers	-	-	87.00	-	-	5.75
71 <u>DOCKS</u>						
Artisans	246.27	222.36	233.40	5.33	5.66	5.74
Drivers	187.50	186.94	187.03	-	-	-
51 <u>ELECTRICITY</u>						
Electricians	118.59	115.65	117.04	7.05	4.64	6.43
Mechanics	233.50	127.25	160.12	8.06	4.64	6.70
Drivers	139.00	106.48	117.12	6.84	4.62	6.26

+ Statistics collected by the Labour Department.

WAGES OF SKILLED WORKERS - OTHER INDUSTRIES⁺ (continued)

	Employed by the month			Employed by the day		
	Highest	Lowest	Average	Highest	Lowest	Average
ISIC	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
31 LIME INDUSTRY						
Artisans	-	-	-	7.50	4.00	5.45
Drivers	-	-	-	-	-	5.28
31 OIL INDUSTRY						
Artisans	-	-	-	6.50	5.27	5.64
28 PRINTING INDUSTRY						
Pressmen	275.00	100.00	162.56	7.50	3.75	5.33
Typographers	280.00	97.50	173.36	8.00	3.75	5.50
19 SALT MANUFACTURE						
Artisans	-	-	-	6.75	3.50	4.33
25 SAW MILLS						
Sawyers	220.75	133.75	172.50	8.00	5.00	6.20
Drivers	116.00	100.00	108.00	-	-	-
29 TANNING INDUSTRY						
Artisans	176.00	157.00	166.75	6.50	4.16	4.86
20 TEA INDUSTRY						
Factory :						
Artisans	235.00	135.00	161.00	6.63	4.00	4.93
Drivers	150.00	125.00	131.33	5.00	4.50	5.25
22 TOBACCO INDUSTRY						
Artisans	309.46	144.17	167.65	6.50	4.00	5.10
21 WINE INDUSTRY						
Artisans	240.00	150.00	193.00	7.00	4.00	5.73
Drivers	150.00	140.00	147.50	6.00	5.00	5.73

+ Statistics collected by the Labour Department.

The number in front of each industry belongs to the major group of the International Standard Industrial Classification.

WAGE INDICES +

Sugar Industry Artisans - Monthly employed

	1955 Index (1939 = 100)
Fitter	320
Pan Boiler	342
Motor Mechanic	296
Blacksmith	283
Carpenter	303
Boiler Maker	293
Motor Driver	372
Loco Driver	376
Mill Driver	412

+ 1955 Wages include cost of living bonus, plus end of year bonus.

Semi-skilled or Unskilled Workers

Two categories exist for this type of labour :

- (i) The workers employed by the month (Category I); and
- (ii) The workers employed by the day (Category II).

Each of these categories is again sub-divided into three classes or grades for men and two classes or grades for women and juveniles.

The various classes are intended to group the workers in respect of their different abilities and efficiency in the field or factory.

The wages paid to all the categories of workers employed in the Sugar Industry are fixed by means of a trade agreement between the Sugar Producers' Association representing the employers and the General Workers' Union and the Mauritius Amalgamated Labourers' Association representing the workers. The wages paid in accordance with this agreement are given in the following table :

SUGAR INDUSTRYMinimum wages⁺ of various categories of labourersPeriod 1st January, 1955 to 31st December, 1955

	C L A S S		
	I	II	III
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
<u>MONTHLY EMPLOYED[⊙]:</u>			
<u>Field or Factory Labourers</u>			
<u>MEN</u>			
Basic wage	43.50	33.86	32.84
Cost of Living Allowance (47.5%)	20.66	13.43	15.60
Regularity Bonus	4.35	3.89	3.23
End of year bonus	10.87	9.71	8.21
	79.38	70.92	59.93
	I	II	Children
<u>WOMEN & JUVENILES</u>			
Basic wage	23.35	25.73	20.03
Cost of Living Allowance (47.5%)	13.70	12.22	9.54
Regularity Bonus	2.33	2.57	2.01
End of year bonus	7.21	6.43	5.02
	52.64	46.95	36.65

+ Exclusive of overtime earnings.

⊙ The monthly worker is also entitled to housing accommodation or allowance, free medical treatment, annual leave and to a plot of land of 1/16 acre for the planting of vegetables. Female labourers are further entitled to maternity allowance.

SUGAR INDUSTRY (continued)

	Class	Basic wage	Cost of living allowance (47.5%)	Total	Monthly Average at 26 working days [ⓐ]
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
<u>DAILY EMPLOYED</u>					
<u>Field Labourers :</u>					
Men	I	2.43	1.13	3.66	95.16
	II	1.93	0.92	2.85	74.10
	III	1.31	0.62	1.93	50.13
Women	I	1.24	0.59	1.83	47.58
	II	1.00	0.43	1.43	38.48
Young Persons		1.00	0.46	1.43	38.48
Children		0.69	0.38	1.02	26.52
<u>Factory Workers :</u>					
Men	I	2.01	0.95	2.96	76.96
	II	1.62	0.77	2.39	62.14
Women		1.00	0.43	1.43	38.48
Young Persons (Male)		1.00	0.43	1.43	38.48

ⓐ Exclusive of overtime

OVERTIME [Ⓜ]

<u>Week days</u>		<u>Sundays</u>
For the first 4 hours	: Time + 1/3	· Paid at double rate
Over 4 hours	: Time + 1/2	

Ⓜ Calculated on the basic salary and cost of living allowance.

WAGE⁺ INDICES (1938 = 100)

Field or Factory Labourer - Category I - Monthly employed.

	1938 [ⓐ] Wage Rs.	January to December 19' 5	
		Wage Rs.	Index
<u>MEN:</u>			
CLASS I	20.00	79.38	397
II	18.00	70.92	394

Field Labourer - Category II - Daily employed.

	1938 [ⓐ] Wage Rs.	January to December, 1955	
		Wage Rs.	Index
<u>MEN:</u>			
CLASS I	0.95 [*]	3.66	335
II	0.50	2.85	570

+ Based on minimum earnings according to agreement.

ⓐ From Report of Minimum Wage Board 1933.

* 66 cents per day during inter harvest season and Rs 1.25 per day during harvest.

WAGES OF SEMI-SKILLED OR UNSKILLED WORKERS - OTHER INDUSTRIES^Q

ISIC	Employed by the month			Employed by the day		
	Highest	Lowest	Average	Highest	Lowest	Average
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
23	<u>ALOE FIBRE INDUSTRY</u>					
	Factory:					
	Men	-	-	6.13	2.50	3.96
	Women	-	-	3.20	1.60	1.97
	Juveniles	-	-	2.31	1.75	2.07
	Field:					
	Supervisors	-	-	5.00	3.50	4.73
	Men	-	-	4.15	3.00	3.42
	Women	-	-	2.75	1.50	2.16
	Juveniles	-	-	2.16	1.00	1.91
21	<u>AERATED WATER WORKS</u>					
	Men	100.00	75.00	93.10	3.50	3.00
	Women	-	-	-	1.65	1.60
	Juveniles	-	-	-	-	1.60
40	<u>BUILDING CONTRACTORS</u>					
	Men	-	-	120.00	4.00	3.00
	Juveniles	-	-	-	-	1.65
22	<u>CIGARETTE MANUFACTURE</u>					
	Men	-	-	-	4.55	3.64
	Women	-	-	-	-	2.67
	Juveniles	-	-	-	2.05	2.00
21	<u>DISTILLING Industry</u>					
	Men	-	-	-	4.10	2.50
	Women	-	-	-	-	1.33
	Juveniles	-	-	-	1.71	1.62
71	<u>DOCKS</u>					
	Supervisors	-	-	153.91	-	-
	Men	35.30	21.13	35.00	11.00	5.35
	Women	-	-	33.55	-	-
	Juveniles	-	-	-	-	1.50
51	<u>ELECTRICITY</u>					
	Men	134.20	96.40	99.15	3.60	2.73
31	<u>LIME INDUSTRY</u>					
	Supervisors	-	-	-	5.00	3.00
	Men	-	-	-	4.00	2.50
	Women	-	-	-	3.00	1.60
	Juveniles	-	-	-	2.25	1.75

^Q Statistics collected by the Labour Department.

WAGES OF SEMI-SKILLED OR UNSKILLED WORKERS - OTHER INDUSTRIES^o
(continued)

ISIC	Employed by the month			Employed by the day		
	Highest	Lowest	Average	Highest	Lowest	Average
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
31 MATCH INDUSTRY						
Men	-	-	-	6.00	3.00	3.67
Women	-	-	-	1.60	1.06	1.52
Juveniles	-	-	-	2.50	2.00	2.25
31 OIL INDUSTRY						
Men	-	-	-	3.25	3.14	3.13
19 SALT MANUFACTURE						
Supervisors	-	-	-	4.16	3.10	3.41
Men	-	-	-	4.16	2.50	3.33
Women	-	-	-	2.00	1.60	1.67
Juveniles	-	-	-	2.50	1.66	2.32
25 SAW MILLS						
Men	117.00	70.00	33.22	6.00	3.00	4.43
29 SPINNING INDUSTRY						
Men	140.00	120.00	132.00	4.75	3.00	4.03
Women	-	-	-	3.50	3.00	3.16
20 TEA INDUSTRY						
Factory:						
Men	-	-	90.00	6.00	3.00	3.32
Juveniles	-	-	-	-	-	2.00
Field:						
Supervisors	-	-	163.00	5.00	4.00	4.33
Men	-	-	-	6.00	3.41	3.64
Women	-	-	-	3.00	2.00	2.27
Juveniles	-	-	-	2.76	1.25	1.91
22 TOBACCO INDUSTRY						
Men	-	-	-	5.00	3.00	3.65
Women	-	-	-	2.50	1.75	2.07
Juveniles	-	-	-	2.50	1.63	1.90
21 WINE INDUSTRY						
Men	-	-	-	5.00	2.50	3.60
Women	-	-	-	2.75	1.60	1.64
Juveniles	-	-	-	-	-	2.00

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E M P L O Y M E N T
EMPLOYMENT OF SKILLED AND UNSKILLED WORKERS IN THE SUGAR INDUSTRY

Summary of employment of skilled workers		Monthly employed				Daily employed					
		Skilled Workers		Semi-skilled Workers : Supervisors		Skilled Workers		Semi-skilled Workers : Supervisors			
		3,321				905					
		1,200				690					
		M O N T H L Y				E M P L O Y E D					
		Men		Women		Men		Women			
Summary of employment of Unskilled Workers :	Class	Maximum	Minimum	Average	Maximum	Minimum	Average	Maximum	Minimum	Average	
		I	2,243	2,022	2,186	100	37	94	53	39	48
II	921	355	379	30	19	22	32	10	24		
III	223	165	203	-	-	-	8	4	3		
				3,268			116			75	
		D A I L Y				P A I D					
By Estate		22,120	15,239	18,310	7,558	5,794	6,748	2,291	1,913	2,044	
By Job Contractors		12,167	3,944	10,354	6,980	5,292	6,035	794	523	611	
				29,164			12,833			2,655	
Proportion of monthly and daily employed workers in each category		% distribution of daily paid unskilled workers employed by the Estates and by Job Contractors				P A I D B Y					
		Monthly		Daily		Estate					
Skilled workers		79%	21%	Job Contractors				36%			
Supervisors		63%	37%					47%			
Unskilled workers : Men		10%	90%					23%			
Women		1%	99%								
Juveniles		3%	97%								

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MANPOWER EMPLOYED IN THE SUGAR MANUFACTURING PROCESS ONLY

Number of skilled and unskilled workers employed per factory :

Maximum	...	...	310
Minimum	...	...	124
Average	...	...	197

Number of shifts per day per factory ... 2

Number of men per shift per factory:

Maximum	...	...	155
Minimum	...	...	62

Total number of men workers employed per day in
the 27 Sugar Factories ... 5,113

Employment in the Sugar Industry has a seasonal fluctuation determined by the harvest and inter-harvest periods. The harvest period is from July to December, but employment as a rule, is at its highest between September and November, and at its lowest in January or June. The total employment in the Industry in 1955 reached a maximum of 60,400 workers and a minimum of 48,800 workers, a \pm 11% fluctuation on the average of 54,200.

The difference in conditions of employment between skilled and unskilled workers is noteworthy. About 79% of the skilled workers are employed on a monthly agreement, while about 90% of the unskilled men workers are on day-employment. Nearly all unskilled women and juveniles are employed by the day.

The vast majority of workers in the Sugar Industry are field labourers belonging to the cultivation side; there were only 26 factories in 1955 employing the greater number of skilled workers and artisans. In fact the proportion of skilled to unskilled labour in the Industry is only 8.5 : 100. On the average one factory needs about 160 skilled men.

EMPLOYMENT IN THE SUGAR INDUSTRY - 1955

YEAR	Maximum number of workers employed during the year			Minimum number of workers employed during the year			Average number of workers employed during the year		
	Skilled	Unskilled	Total	Skilled	Unskilled	Total	Skilled	Unskilled	Total
1955	4,316	56,071	60,387	4,121	44,585	48,706	4,226	50,001	54,227

Skilled workers are employed in the Secondary Industries to a total of about 5,000, while public services (Railways, Public Works, Electricity) employ about 2,700.

The total labour employment in the main industries and public services go on the average to add up to 11,900 skilled and nearly 45,500 unskilled men and some 20,300 women and juveniles, forming a grand total of 77,700. To this figure might be added some 5,500 workers engaged in tailoring and shoe repairing.

LABOUR DISPUTES

Number settled	
(a) By conciliation	4,094
(b) After arbitration (official trade dispute)	NIL
(c) Industrial Magistrate's Court (legal dispute)	198 ⁺

+ of which 172 settled in Chambers.

STRIKES

No industrial strikes were recorded in 1955.

CASUALTIES SUSTAINED DURING WORK

	Deaths	Injuries
Factory cases	2	359
Rail Transport cases	1	57
Other cases	12	5,556
Total	15	5,972

Employment of Skilled and Unskilled Workers - Other Industries^o

	ISIC Group	Skilled Workers	Unskilled Workers			Total
			Males	Females	Juveniles	
Aloe Fibre Industry ⁺	231	69	919	973	93	2,059
Aerated Water Works	214	57	69	21	4	151
Bakeries	206	270	215	-	-	485
Building Trade	400	939	330	-	22	1,291
Bus Coach Building	383	92	-	-	61	153
Cigarette Manufacture	220	31	47	145	3	226
Distilling Industry	211	22	142	1	2	167
Docks	720	167	1,073	13	15	1,263
Electrical Companies	511	233	137	-	5	425
Footwear Manufacture	241 } 300 }	233	-	-	139	427
Jewellers' Trade	395	290	-	-	33	373
Lime Industry	211	139	153	234	19	600
Match Industry	319	-	9	19	4	32
Oil Industry	209 } 312 }	6	32	-	-	38
Printing Establishments	280	250	-	-	62	312
Public Services:						
Government	310	2,716	6,072	195	110	9,093
Municipal [*]	310	100	303	56	23	487
Salt Manufacture	190	6	63	49	5	123
Saw Mills	250	60	130	-	-	190
Stevedoring	716	770	-	-	-	770
Tanning Industry	291	21	13	3	-	37
Tea Industry	209	55	472	454	417	1,398
Tobacco Plantations	010	121	565	626	292	1,604
Wine Manufacture	212	67	131	135	1	334
Workshops - Engineering & Motor	381 } 382 } 383 } 384 }	391	257	3	263	1,419
		7,660	11,192	2,932	1,633	23,522

ISIC = International Standard Industrial Classification.

^o Statistics collected by the Labour Department.

⁺ Inclusive of the Sack Factory

^{*} Inclusive of Town Councils.

List of Trade Unions and/or Industrial Associations as at 31.12.55

A S S O C I A T I O N	Number of members on roll	Number of persons who have ceased to be members	Number of members as at 31.12.55
<u>Technical Workers</u>			
Government Printing Workers' Union	97	40	57
Electricity and Telephones Manual and Technical Workers' Union	286	87	199
Printing Workers' Union	97	29	68
Agricultural Department Junior Technical Officers' Association	29	-	29
<u>Commercial</u>			
Jewellers' Association	52	45	7
Shop Assistants' Union	31	6	25
Milk Producers' and Retail Distributors' Union	267	226	41
Market Traders' Association	133	3	135
<u>Industrial</u>			
Mauritius Tobacco Producers' Syndicate	65	-	65
Mauritius Cane Growers' Association	44	-	44
Mauritius Sugar Producers' Association	23	-	23
Federation of Port and Harbour Employers	12	-	12
Mauritius Planters' Association	147	37	110
Bus Drivers' and Conductors' Union	132	35	97
Tobacco Small Planters' Association	116	-	116
Road Transport Employees' Association	41	12	29
Taxi Drivers' Union (Dormant)	-	-	-
<u>Labour</u>			
School Servants' Union	98	50	48
Government Manual Workers' Union	1,464	623	841
General Port and Harbour Workers' Union	1,523	102	1,426
Agricultural Workers' Union	6,765	3,135	3,530
Amalgamated Labourers' Association	12,144	6,442	5,702
Gold, Silver and Allied Trades Union	30	5	25
All Workers' Union	107	31	76
Workmen's Union	334	94	240

List of Trade Unions and/or Industrial Associations as at 31.12.55
(continued)

A S S O C I A T I O N	Number of members on roll	Number of persons who have ceased to be members	Number of members as at 31.12.55
<u>Clerical</u>			
Government Clerical Service Association	139	12	127
Sanitary Officers' Union	35	25	10
Municipal Employees' Association	51	15	36
Docks and Wharves Staff Employees Association	203	-	203
Sugar Industry Staff Employees Association	573	-	573
Cable and Wireless (Mauritius Local Staff) Employees Association	20	-	20
Clerks' Association	33	-	33
Mauritius Commercial Bank Employees' Association	123	-	123
Mauritius Bank Officers' Guild	33	-	33
<u>Professional</u>			
Principals of Roman Catholic Secondary Schools Union	9	-	9
Builders' Association of Mauritius Secondary and Preparatory School Teachers' Union	5	-	5
Union of Primary School Teachers	106	54	52
Government Teachers' Union	642	236	406
Mauritius Senior Professional Civil Servants' Association	162	43	119
Nursing Association	33	13	70
Association of Chemists' Assistants	159	12	147
Mauritius Dental Association	35	20	15
	26	1	25
<u>Miscellaneous</u>			
Government Railway Workers' Union	441	124	317
Postmen Union	77	24	53
Government Servants' and Employees' Association	2,066	490	1,576
Artisans and General Workers' Union	1,432	323	1,139
Port Louis Firemen Union	63	-	63
TOTAL	30,653	12,449	18,204

E D U C A T I O N

Number of children of primary school going age (5 - 12) 114,800

Percentage enrolment to children of primary school
going age 67%

Number of pupils on roll⁺ in Government and Aided Primary
and Secondary Schools

Last Quarter of Year	M A U R I T I U S			RODRIGUES	Grand Total
	Primary	Secondary	Total	Primary	
1950	53,240	3,139	56,379	2,043	58,422
1951	56,615	3,415	60,030	2,204	62,234
1952	60,316	3,785	64,601	2,143	66,744
1953	63,648	4,165	72,813	2,106	74,919
1954	68,926	4,236	73,212	2,146	75,358
1955	71,503	4,543	76,046	2,007	78,053

+ Exclusive of children attending private institutions.

Information concerning non-aided primary schools and part-time and night schools is not available in all cases. Besides, such schools are not controlled by the Education Department and the information on record about some of them cannot be certified as correct.

GOVERNMENT AND AIDED PRIMARY SCHOOLS - (as at 31.10.55)

DISTRICT	No. of schools	Number of pupils on roll and in average attendance						Total number of pupils on roll	No. of schools	Number of pupils on roll and in average attendance						Total number of pupils on roll					
		In Government Schools			In Aided Schools					B O Y S			G I R L S								
		Number on roll	Average attendance	Number on roll	Average attendance	Number on roll	Average attendance			Number on roll	Average attendance	Number on roll	Average attendance	Number on roll	Average attendance						
Port Louis	9	3,259	2,948	2,231	1,728	3,259	2,948	2,231	1,728	5,490	11	4,342	3,722	4,534	3,636	5,490	11	4,342	3,722	4,534	3,636
Pamplemousses	15	3,272	2,909	2,032	1,704	3,272	2,909	2,032	1,704	5,304	5	700	604	497	422	5,304	5	700	604	497	422
Grand Port	13	2,699	2,268	1,742	1,456	2,699	2,268	1,742	1,456	4,441	7	1,566	1,366	1,221	1,062	4,441	7	1,566	1,366	1,221	1,062
P/Wilhelms	12	4,551	3,969	3,221	2,736	4,551	3,969	3,221	2,736	7,772	20	7,230	6,407	6,509	5,633	7,772	20	7,230	6,407	6,509	5,633
Moka	3	795	715	452	384	795	715	452	384	1,247	3	1,611	1,391	1,068	390	1,247	3	1,611	1,391	1,068	390
R/Renpart	7	2,340	1,977	1,260	1,034	2,340	1,977	1,260	1,034	3,600	4	359	713	533	473	3,600	4	359	713	533	473
Savanne	6	1,903	1,619	1,157	975	1,903	1,619	1,157	975	3,060	4	765	652	603	498	3,060	4	765	652	603	498
Black River	2	386	314	266	197	386	314	266	197	552	4	397	319	295	233	552	4	397	319	295	233
Flacq	11	2,113	1,775	1,359	1,094	2,113	1,775	1,359	1,094	3,477	12	2,293	1,906	1,331	1,124	3,477	12	2,293	1,906	1,331	1,124
TOTAL	73	21,323	18,414	13,720	11,303	21,323	18,414	13,720	11,303	35,043	73	19,764	17,036	15,696	14,226	35,043	73	19,764	17,036	15,696	14,226
Rodrigues	1	301	205	292	219	301	205	292	219	593	3	732	536	632	560	593	3	732	536	632	560

Government and Aided Secondary Schools - (as at 31.10.55)

Distribution of Schools	Number of pupils on roll and in average attendance					Total Number of pupils
	B O	Y S	G I	R L S		
	Number on roll	Number in average attendance	Number on roll	Number in average attendance		
GOVERNMENT						
Royal College	395	369	-	-	395	
Royal College School	522	460	-	-	522	
Queen Elizabeth College	-	-	159	150	159	
TOTAL	917	829	159	150	1,076	
AIDED						
Loreto Convent (Curepipe)	191	180	578	526	769	
Loreto Convent (Saint Pierre)	128	119	203	193	336	
Loreto Convent (Quatre Bornes)	74	70	366	345	440	
Loreto Convent (Port Louis)	32	28	512	470	544	
Loreto Convent (Vacoas)	62	43	225	197	287	
St. Joseph College	363	327	-	-	363	
St. Esprit College	301	288	-	-	301	
St. Andrews College	332	325	39	67	427	
TOTAL	1,489	1,380	1,973	1,816	3,467	

S U M M A R YRoll⁺ of pupils and students in Schools and Colleges (as at 31.10.55)

	E N R O L M E N T			AVERAGE ATTENDANCE		
	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total
<u>Primary Schools</u>						
Government	21,323	13,720	35,043	13,414	11,303	29,722
Aided	19,764	13,696	33,460	17,036	14,226	31,312
<u>Secondary Schools</u>						
Government	917	159	1,076	329	150	979
Aided	1,439	1,973	3,467	1,380	1,813	3,103
TOTAL	43,493	32,553	76,046	37,709	27,502	65,211

STUDENTS

Agricultural College 57

Training College for Teachers 184

SCHOOLS AND COLLEGESNumberNo. of teachersPrimary Schools

Government and Aided 151 1,964

Other Institutions 160 437

Secondary SchoolsGovernment

Royal College	}	3	77
Royal College School			
Queen Elizabeth College			

<u>Aided</u>	3	129
Other Institutions	54	326

EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Museum	2
Educational Laboratories	6
Agricultural College	1
Training College for Teachers	1
Public Libraries	5

DEPENDENCY OF RODRIGUES

Number of Primary Schools (Government and Aided)	4
Number of teachers	54

+ Mauritius only.

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

OUTDOOR RELIEF

The following table shows the classification of the paupers receiving relief in 1955 according to disabilities.

	Males	Females	Total
Tender age	361	324	685
Old Age	930	1,028	2,008
Tuberculosis	297	177	474
Other Diseases	1,360	1,353	3,013
Unemployment	56	-	56
Temporary disabilities	1,556	1,221	2,777
Total	4,910	4,103	9,013
<u>INDOOR RELIEF</u>			
<u>Charitable Institutions</u>			
<u>Orphanages</u>			
Belle Rose	43	13	56
Bon Secours	-	44	44
Muslin	23	16	39
Pere Laval	15	-	15
Plaisance	12	-	12
Ramakrishna Mission	3	6	14
Rose Belle	2	15	17
Shradanand	3	11	19
Total	111	105	216
<u>Infirmaries</u>			
Belle Rose	-	66	66
Bon Secours	-	35	35
Calebasses	131	-	131
Chemin Grenier	-	17	17
Currinjee Jeewonjee	45	27	72
Hospice Pere Laval	-	64	64
Pamplenousses	64	-	64
Rose Belle	73	12	90
Shradanand	-	30	30
The Home	24	16	40
Total	392	267	659

OLD AGE RELIEF

The following table shows the number of persons receiving Old Age pension as at 31st December, 1955.

	Males	Females	Total
Men aged 65 and over, and Women aged 60 and over	3,351	14,439	18,290
Blind persons aged 40 & over	69	70	139
Total	3,920	14,509	18,429

AGRICULTURE AND PRODUCTION

<u>LAND UTILISATION</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>% of total Island area</u>
Agriculture :			
Sugar	137,800	208,600	40.7
Aloe Fibre (effective area)	6,400		1.4
Tea	3,000		0.6
Tobacco	500		0.1
Foodcrops	5,900		1.3
Vegetables	5,000		1.1
Arable land potentially productive		1,800	0.4
Private Forest lands		5,300	1.3
Meadows, grassland, scrub and grazing grounds		103,000	23.4
Crown Forests		67,100	14.6
Natural Reserves		15,500	3.4
Built-up Areas :			
Towns (within municipal limits)	7,900	14,200	1.7
Suburbs	1,300		0.3
Villages, hamlets, industrial areas	5,000		1.1
Inland water bodies		2,700	0.6
Permanent waste lands		37,100	8.0
Total Island Area		460,800	100.0

The main agricultural pursuit of the Island is sugar-cane cultivation which occupies the best of the agricultural lands available. In 1955, about 137,800 acres (41% of the total area) were under cane cultivation. Other industrial crops are grown on a minor scale; they are aloe fibre, tea and tobacco.

The major foodcrops, which comprise 2 cereals and several rootcrops occupy some 5,900 acres (including mixed cropping with sugar). There are in addition about 1,000 acres of banana plantation.

CULTIVATION AND PRODUCTION

	<u>Acres under cultivation</u>	<u>Metric tons</u>
Industrial crops		
Cane Sugar	137,800	533,000
Aloe (raw fibre)	-	1,722
Tea	2,900	600
Tobacco	500	362 *
Acres harvested (Calendar year 1955)		
Foodcrops		
Maize	3,500	2,050
Rice	40	30
Manioc	530	2,300
Sweet potatoes	270	240
Eddoes	110	390
Potatoes	320	3,130
Groundnuts	570	600

* Weight of leaf tobacco.

FOOD PRODUCTION

The figures of area related to fodderop growing should be understood to represent the effective area which has yielded the tonnage indicated for each fodderop.

This effective area is made up of :

- (i) Land devoted exclusively to fodderop growing;
- (ii) Land available in sugarcane interlines and used for mixed cropping;
- (iii) The aggregate of land surface having borne two or three successive crops in one same year;
- (iv) Land which has been devoted to food growing for only part of the year.

As stated previously the extent of sugar cane plantation, which in 1955 was some 1,300 acres more than in 1954, was in some measure prejudicial to the fodderop growing campaign.

Harvested area (acres) of fodderop plantations
(period 1st July to 30th June)

Period	Maize	Manioc	Eddoes	Sweet Potatoes	Potatoes	Ground-nuts	Rice	Total
1948-49	10,286	2,509	612	643	996	2,092	893	18,036
1949-50	8,425	1,442	432	224	1,168	1,347	677	13,721
1950-51	8,056	399	330	314	1,019	1,220	395	9,233
1951-52	4,619	902	360	431	1,232	1,725	74	9,351
1952-53	4,420	784	321	427	1,425	1,239	69	8,691
1953-54	4,359	672	241	374	1,189	817	52	7,704
1954-55	4,633	310	172	449	1,291	739	21	8,121

Production of foodstuffs (metric tons)

Period	Maize	Manioc	Eddoes	Sweet Potatoes	Potatoes	Ground-nuts	Rice	Total
1948-49	7,396	4,496	1,509	1,142	3,329	902	599	19,673
1949-50	5,250	3,939	1,092	494	3,360	904	519	15,553
1950-51	3,427	3,373	1,044	1,009	4,470	723	413	14,469
1951-52	3,101	3,079	1,140	1,326	4,943	1,406	75	15,075
1952-53	2,923	3,060	1,324	1,615	7,069	1,303	69	17,371
1953-54	2,634	2,395	1,046	1,333	4,750	827	45	13,535
1954-55	2,390	3,110	600	1,505	3,130	390	15	15,000

The average yield obtained in Kilos per acre during the years 1953-54 and 1954-55 for each of the main foodcrops is given in the following table :-

	Kgs. per acre			Kgs. per acre	
	1953-54	1954-55		1953-54	1954-55
Rice	865	714	Sweet		
Maize	615	624	potatoes	3,573	3,350
Manioc	4,309	3,840	Groundnuts	1,012	934
Eddoes	4,343	3,370	Potatoes	3,994	4,795

CANE CULTIVATION AND SUGAR PRODUCTION

Cultivation and Yield

The total area under cane cultivation in 1955 was 137,792 acres, of which 125,390 acres or 93.4% of the total cultivated area, were harvested. Very near 4,223,000 metric tons of cane were reaped. The larger estates, to which a factory is attached, produced 59.1% and the other plantations 40.9% of the total. The largest average yield of cane per acre for the crop was slightly less than 36 metric tons obtained by one estate with factory, located South of the Island; the lowest average yield obtained by planters was slightly more than 16 metric tons per acre. The average yield for the whole crop was 24.1 metric tons per acre. It may be significant to note that the large estates possessing a factory, reaped on the average 53% greater tonnage per acre than all the other planters together, leaving out the cutayers.

The following table gives the area of estates with factory under the principal cane varieties as at 30th June, 1954 and 1955.

	30th June, 1954		30th June, 1955	
	Acres	% of total area	Acres	% of total area
M 134/32	76,595	33	70,149	74
E 1/37	3,723	9	14,380	15
M 423/41	1,720	2	1,507	1
M 112/34	1,750	2	1,936	2
B 3337	905	1	2,575	3
Other Varieties	2,355	3	4,805	5
TOTAL	92,608	100	95,352	100

FURTHER DETAILS ON THE SUGARCANE CULTIVATION IN 1955

	Area under cultivation		Area harvested		Tonnage of cane harvested		Yield Tons/Acre
	Acres	% of total	Acres	% of total	M/Tons	% of total	
Estates with factory:							
Virgins	21,577		10,057		337,203	8.0	
Ratoons	73,775		73,707		2,162,730	51.1	
Total	95,352	50.3	83,764	47.8	2,499,933	59.1	29.3
Metayers' lands	9,626	5.1	9,593	5.4	130,216	3.1	13.6
Planters' lands	32,814	44.1	32,023	46.8	1,597,603	37.0	19.5
Island Total	137,792	100.0	175,330	100.0	4,227,757	100.0	24.1

In respect of area, individual plantations were, in 1953, distributed according to the following table:-

Acreage (Arpents)	Number	% of total	% of cane cultivated area	Acreage (Arpents)	Number	% of total	% of cane cultivated area
Less than 1	6,330	30.3	1.7	10.0 - 99.99	932	4.5	11.5
1.0 - 1.99	5,334	26.4	3.9	100.0 - 499.99	79	0.4	9.4
2.0 - 2.99	3,043	14.7	3.7	500 and Over	35	0.2	53.7
3.0 - 4.99	2,664	12.8	5.2	Total	20,721	100.0	100.0
5.0 - 9.99	1,704	8.2	5.9				

MANUFACTURE OF SUGAR - 1955

The cane crop was milled in 26 factories, the majority of which operated between the fourth week of July and the second week of December. The earliest and latest dates of the milling period were the 4th July and 20th December, 1955 respectively. The total weight of cane milled amounted to 4,223,000 metric tons in round numbers.

The production was distributed among the 26 factories as follows :

<u>Quantity of sugar manufactured</u>	<u>Number of factories</u>
Over 25,000 m/tons	7
20,000 - 25,000 m/tons	6
15,000 - 20,000 "	5
10,000 - 15,000 "	6
Under 10,000 "	2
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SUGAR FACTORIES' PRODUCTION

<u>Products of Manufacture</u>		<u>In M/Tons</u>	
		<u>Residues of Manufacture</u>	
<u>White Sugar</u>	<u>Raw Sugar</u>	<u>Molasses</u>	<u>Scums</u>
13,939	514,402	106,339	83,810

Reckoning on the whole of the 1955 production, the overall commercial sugar extraction was 12.61% by weight of millable cane, which corresponds to an equivalent of 7.93 tons of cane for 1 ton of sugar produced. The best average extraction of commercial sugar for a single factory was 13.35% of millable cane and the least extraction was 11.06%.

The total factory production was 13,939 metric tons of white (unrefined) sugar and 514,402 metric tons of raw sugar. The total tonnage of sugar manufactured was thus 536,341 metric tons showing an overall yield of sugar per harvested acre of 3.04 metric tons. The total sugar production for 1955 was 3.9% greater than that of 1954, owing to an increase of 3.2% in the average of the sugar extraction and in spite of a decrease of 1.3% in the average yield of canes per acre, the area harvested remaining almost the same as in 1954.

The largest quantity manufactured by a single factory was 55,350 metric tons and the smallest 9,571 metric tons. 13 factories produced more than 20,000 metric tons, 13 produced more than 15,000 metric tons and 24 factories out of 26 produced more than 10,000 metric tons.

SUGAR INDUSTRY RESULTS 1948 - 1955

Crop Year	Total Area under cultivation (acres)	Total Area harvested (acres)	Canes harvested (Metric tons)	Sugar Manufactured (Metric tons)		
				White	Raw	Total
1948	154,624	142,037	3,152,823	18,467	373,211	391,678
1949	163,246	150,235	3,355,393	11,601	404,422	416,023
1950	170,612	157,522	3,719,674	12,570	444,121	456,691
1951	176,331	166,502	4,355,177	11,013	473,068	484,086
1952	181,798	172,465	4,096,700	17,107	451,176	468,283
1953	184,486	174,289	4,642,359	13,684	492,541	512,225
1954	186,512	175,685	4,280,073	15,009	463,733	498,742
1955	187,792	175,390	4,227,757	18,939	514,402	533,341

YIELD OF SMALL CANE PLANTATIONS
(Frequency distribution of sample)

Yield in Tons/Arpents ⁺	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955
	Frequency per 1,000	Frequency per 1,000	Frequency per 1,000	Frequency per 1,000	Frequency per 1,000
Less than 5	(12.5)	(13.4)	(5.9)	(7.5)	(14.0)
5.0 - 5.9	3.2	9.1	5.3	4.8	7.3
6.0 - 6.9	9.5	11.4	7.2	10.5	13.2
7.0 - 7.9	13.2	14.7	8.9	13.5	17.7
8.0 - 8.9	18.4	16.7	11.5	18.0	16.3
9.0 - 9.9	27.6	20.3	15.0	25.2	23.7
10.0 - 10.9	32.2	26.3	13.6	25.4	30.4
11.0 - 11.9	37.5	30.8	23.3	26.6	33.7
12.0 - 12.9	33.3	35.3	26.2	39.7	39.1
13.0 - 13.9	44.4	40.9	30.7	40.1	42.6
14.0 - 14.9	46.7	45.2	32.6	43.4	43.1
15.0 - 15.9	50.3	44.5	35.6	44.9	46.0
16.0 - 16.9	49.3	51.5	35.7	56.3	43.4
17.0 - 17.9	47.0	53.7	36.7	45.4	52.1
18.0 - 18.9	43.3	54.7	39.1	55.8	54.4
19.0 - 19.9	50.6	50.1	42.1	52.0	54.4
20.0 - 20.9	43.0	45.9	44.1	55.9	52.5
21.0 - 21.9	43.4	44.1	42.3	49.2	45.0
22.0 - 22.9	33.1	41.9	42.9	47.2	43.4
23.0 - 23.9	33.1	41.2	41.0	40.7	38.5
24.0 - 24.9	35.5	36.7	40.9	33.3	35.5
25.0 - 25.9	31.2	33.1	39.3	34.9	36.9
26.0 - 26.9	27.3	29.4	39.1	32.3	31.2
27.0 - 27.9	25.6	27.7	37.9	31.7	27.4
28.0 - 28.9	25.6	29.3	34.9	21.6	23.5
29.0 - 29.9	24.7	26.3	33.2	23.0	23.3
30.0 - 30.9	21.0	23.3	30.7	15.9	16.4
31.0 - 31.9	17.3	16.3	27.6	13.9	15.4
32.0 - 32.9	15.1	14.3	25.2	15.3	11.2
33.0 - 33.9	12.3	12.0	22.4	10.7	8.9
34.0 - 34.9	9.9	9.3	20.3	8.5	7.5
35.0 - 35.9	7.6	3.4	17.6	6.2	10.4
36.0 - 36.9	6.9	6.7	14.6	4.4	7.1
37.0 and above	(36.9)	(32.5)	(70.3)	(35.7)	(29.0)
Total number of plantations	3,043	4,091	5,198	5,040	5,060

+ 1 arpent = 1.043 acres.

AREA OF SMALL PLANTATIONS
(Frequency Distribution of Sample)

Area (Arpents)	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955
	Frequency per 1,000	Frequency per 1,000	Frequency per 1,000	Frequency per 1,000	Frequency per 1,000
Less than 1.00	(178.1)	(191.3)	(210.3)	(205.5)	(202.2)
1.00 - 1.99	281.6	277.6	278.0	277.0	278.3
2.00 - 2.99	189.6	178.5	178.2	185.3	185.4
3.00 - 3.99	112.4	109.5	114.7	106.3	108.9
4.00 - 4.99	74.6	65.4	64.8	66.5	66.3
5.00 - 5.99	38.8	54.3	44.4	45.4	45.6
6.00 - 6.99	36.5	33.8	31.2	32.1	29.0
7.00 - 7.99	20.0	20.5	19.0	20.8	20.3
8.00 - 8.99	19.4	16.3	13.7	17.5	16.0
9.00 - 9.99	10.2	8.9	8.8	7.7	11.2
10.00 - 10.99	10.9	12.8	8.1	10.3	9.5
11.00 - 11.99	3.6	5.6	4.2	4.6	3.9
12.00 - 12.99	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.0	5.3
13.00 - 13.99	2.6	3.3	4.4	2.2	2.6
14.00 - 14.99	2.3	3.3	2.5	1.6	2.8
15.00 - 15.99	3.3	4.2	2.9	3.4	3.4
16.00 - 16.99	1.3	1.6	1.3	0.8	1.2
17.00 - 17.99	-	1.9	0.8	0.6	1.8
18.00 - 18.99	1.6	1.6	1.0	1.6	1.0
19.00 - 19.99	2.0	0.5	1.3	0.8	0.4
20.00 and above	(5.6)	(3.5)	(4.8)	(5.0)	(4.9)
Total number of plantations	3,043	4,291	5,198	5,040	5,069

The sample examined for the year 1955 comprised 5,069 small plantations returned by the Department of Co-Operation.

There is evidence from this frequency distribution, as compared with that of the previous year, that the yield of small plantations has slightly decreased over the period under review.

The weighted average of the yield was 19.9 tons per arpent in 1955, a decrease of 2% on the corresponding figure for 1954 which was 20.3 tons per arpent.

In the sample examined, the fraction of small plantations of area less than 5 arpents is about 84%.

MECHANICAL CULTIVATION ON SUGAR PLANTATIONS

About 225 cultivation tractors were owned in 1955 by the larger estates and plantations, and some 30 more were operated by contractors and the Sugar Planters' Mechanical Pool.

The majority of these tractors were below 45 H.P. and about 21½% were of the Cletrac make.

Some 230 ploughs were used on sugar plantations.

SUGAR PRODUCTION 1949 - 1955

Year	I N D E X		
	Acreage cultivated	Sugar production (1948 = 100)	Selling price
1949	106	106	107
1950	110	117	117
1951	114	124	132
1952	118	120	145
1953	119	131	153
1954	121	127	149
1955	121	136	145 ⁺

DISTILLERY PRODUCE

In 1955, 3 distilleries were in operation, producing high degree alcohol (at 94° - 96° G.L.) from sugar molasses. The total quantity produced, expressed in terms of pure alcohol at 100° G.L. was 18,010 hectolitres, about 8% more than the total production of the previous year.

The quantities of high degree alcohol which were either exported or converted into various commercial spirits consumed locally are given in the following table :-

In hectolitres

Run (43° - 50° G.L.)	17,009	Vinegar	209
Powder Alcohol (94° G.L.)	1,859	Drugs	61
Denatured stove spirits (87° G.L.)	6,165	Perfumes (94° G.L.)	154
		Exported alcohol (94° G.L.)	295

The remaining stock (in terms of pure alcohol) held by distilleries at the end of the year was 4,522 hectolitres (at 100° G.L.).

+ Provisional.

EXPORT OF COLONIAL SPIRITS

The quantity and value of high degree alcohol exported during the last 7 years are given in the following table :-

Year	Hectolitres	Value in Rupees
1949	61,915	4,327,852
1950	41,485	2,902,562
1951	65,931	4,615,137
1952	60,964	4,327,465
1953	21,185	1,557,114
1954	234	25,403
1955	295	23,057

ALOE FIBRE INDUSTRY

Fibre, extracted from the leaves of the plant "furcraea gigantea" is at present used in part in the manufacture of a number of packing bags or sacks and filter press cloth for the sugar industry and in part exported as raw fibre. In Mauritius, at present, the aloe grows wild with scrub and it is not, therefore, possible to ascertain the actual acreage from which the production is derived. Regular planting covers an area of some 3,000 acres, of which about 400 are sisal. The wild furcraea is estimated to grow sparsely over some 15,000 acres, but at present production is estimated from the yield to be derived from an equivalent effective area of some 3,400 acres.

The requirements of the sugar industry for packing a production of 500,000 metric tons of sugar are 6½ million bags of 80 kgs net capacity. It has been calculated that slightly over 6½ thousand metric tons of raw fibre would be necessary to produce these packing requirements. In addition, some 350 - 400 tons of raw fibre would be needed to meet the miscellaneous other local requirements in filter press cloth, yarn, etc. The production of 1955 was only 1,722 tons.

The weaving factory was erected in Mauritius in 1932. It has recently been enlarged and its production capacity has been more than doubled. In 1955 the weaving factory utilised some 2,900 tons of raw fibre to produce slightly less than 2½ million bags of 80 kgs capacity to pack the sugar manufactured in the Colony. This production, however, is so far only about 44% of the sugar industry's requirements.

The fibre production of the last seven years was as follows :

Year	No. of factories ⁺	Production (M/Tons)
1949	30	1,300
1950	40	1,714
1951	42	2,032
1952	42	2,254
1953	40	2,177
1954	40	1,930
1955	30	1,722

The quantity and value of exported fibre for each of the last seven years were as follows :-

Year	Quantity (M/Tons)	F.O.B. Value Rupees
1949	206	183,779
1950	330	567,272
1951	626	924,141
1952	506	635,635
1953	153	76,029
1954	60	25,007
1955	186	99,565

The raw fibre consumed by and the manufactured products of the Sack Factory for the last three years were as follows:-

Commodity	Unit	Y E A R		
		1953	1954	1955
Raw fibre used	M/Tons	1,201	2,137	2,905
Sacks (capacity: 30 kgs of sugar)	Units	1,203,750	2,249,222	2,337,369
Sacking cloth	Sq.yds.	549	3,332	6,303
Filter press cloth	Yards	34,531	40,049	64,332
Yarn for twine making	M/Tons	9	16	3

+ In operation

TEA INDUSTRY

Tea is grown in the well-watered uplands of the Island. In 1955, some 2,900 acres were under cultivation of which 2,013 acres were in bearing. There were 397 tea plantation owners and 5 factories producing tea for local consumption. Details of production of the tea factories are given below:-

Factory	Production (Commercial tea)
	Kgs.
Bois Chéri	287,982
Corson	143,795
Avenir St. André	111,931
Pont Colville	47,472
Nouvelle France	16,663
Total	607,826

In addition, 826 kgs. of green tea were manufactured during the year.

Out of the production of 609 metric tons of tea, 176 tons were exported.

Importation of foreign tea from Ceylon, Hong Kong and China amounted to only 13 tons.

The following table gives an indication of the trend in the development of this local industry during the past sixteen years.

AREA, PRODUCTION, IMPORTS AND EXPORTS 1940 - 1955

Year	Area under cultivation ⁺	Local Production	Imports	Exports
	Acres	M/Tons	M/Tons	M/Tons
1940	1,036	59.5	59.4	-
1941	1,326	105.5	144.3	-
1942	1,670	126.1	34.5	-
1943	1,969	173.9	63.1	-
1944	2,009	173.2	42.0	-
1945	2,009	165.0 ^o	29.0	-
1946	2,000	216.4	72.2	-
1947	2,000	235.4	77.4	0.1
1948	2,031	280.0	57.7	5.8
1949	2,077	300.3	16.2	15.4
1950	2,174	342.2	39.5	22.4
1951	2,211	384.3	21.5	40.8
1952	2,426	401.8	43.1	8.2
1953	2,594	412.4	51.5	33.0
1954	2,823	519.1	13.4	113.2
1955	2,900	608.6	15.9	175.6

^o Severe cyclones.

⁺ The areas given in this column are approximate. It seems that the figures quoted may be too large by some 10%.

TOBACCO INDUSTRY

Tobacco cultivation in 1955 covered an area of 509 acres, the production being restricted to 302 tons of cured leaf tobacco. There were 494 growers, of which 385 produced air-cured and 79 flue-cured tobacco. Further details of this industry are given in the following tables:

	1954 - 1955	1955 - 1956
<u>Area under cultivation</u>		
Flue-cured leaf	437 acres	440 acres
Air-cured leaf	130 "	69 "
Total	667 acres	509 acres
<u>Crop production</u>		
Flue-cured leaf	296,902 kgs.	293,747 kgs.
Air-cured leaf	173,545 kgs.	74,317 kgs.
Total	470,447 kgs.	368,064 kgs.
<u>Average yield per acre</u>		
Flue-cured	610 kgs.	667 kgs.
Air-cured	964 "	1,083 "
Overall average	705 "	723 "

AVERAGE RETURN OBTAINED BY PRODUCERS IN MAURITIUS

Variety	PER ACRE		PER KILOG	
	1954 - 1955	1955 - 1956	1954 - 1955	1955 - 1956
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Flue-cured	2,439	3,260	4.15	4.97
Air-cured	2,057	2,487	2.13	2.20

HIGHEST AND LOWEST VALUES OBTAINED DURING YEAR 1955 - 1956

Variety	Yield per acre		Value per acre		Value per kg.	
	Highest	Lowest	Highest	Lowest	Highest	Lowest
	Kgs	Kgs	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Flue-cured Amarello	2,240	196	11,752	920	6.23	3.55
Air-cured Amarello	2,214	143	5,611	139	2.37	0.92

The figures in the above tables refer to the "tobacco crop year" which normally extends from the beginning of April to the end of March.

QUANTITY OF TOBACCO LEAF RECEIVED AT FACTORIESIn Kilos

	Financial year		
	1952 - 1953	1953 - 1954	1954 - 1955
Local ^o leaf	403,466	393,645	394,933
Imported leaf	137,917	145,089	146,643
Total	546,383	538,734	541,576
<u>Quantity of tobacco leaf used at factories</u>			
Local ^o leaf	393,962	407,716	383,377
Imported leaf	131,555	143,980	143,181
Total	530,517	556,696	536,558

^o Including a very small quantity of leaf from Rodrigues (250 Kilos in 1954-55).

Imported leaf represents on the average only 26% of the total leaf consumed.

QUANTITY OF MANUFACTURED PRODUCTS OBTAINED FROM LEAFIn Kilos

	Financial year		
	1952 - 1953	1953 - 1954	1954 - 1955
<u>Quantity of manufactured tobacco obtained from leaf</u>	537,744	531,130	542,259
<u>Marketable tobacco products</u>			
Cigarettes	533,302	528,737	538,533
Snuff	2,493	2,130	3,043
Total	533,798	530,947	541,581

In the course of the three-year period ending mid 1955, an average of 545 metric tons of locally manufactured cigarettes went into consumption, with in addition an average of about 55 metric tons of the imported commodity. In the average total of 600 metric tons of cigarettes consumed, the local production represents therefore the very considerable proportion of 91%.

+ The increase of 0.8% - 1.4% in weight here is due to the incorporation of moisture in process of manufacture.

F O R E S T R Y
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The Crown Lands cover an area of 82,000 acres of which 72,000 or nearly 90% are under control of the Conservator of Forests, while the remainder is administrated by the Department of Public Works and other Government authorities. Forest lands, including scrub and grass lands, occupy in the Island 187,350 acres which are distributed as follows :-

		<u>Acres</u>	<u>Acres</u>
1.	<u>CROWN FORESTS</u>		67,150
	(i) Native Forests	4,520	
	(ii) Productive Forests	23,359	
	(iii) Catchment Areas	10,302	
	(iv) Mountain Reserves	23,424	
	(v) Miscellaneous	4,745	

2.	<u>LEASED CROWN LANDS ON THE COASTAL BELT OF 250 FEET</u>		5,500
	(i) Tree plantations	4,400	
	(ii) Grazing lands	1,100	

3.	<u>NATIONAL RESERVES</u>		15,500
	(i) Mountain reserves	9,000	
	(ii) River reserves	6,500	

			99,700
4.	<u>PRIVATE HOLDINGS</u>		
	(i) Forest land	5,300	
	(ii) Scrub land	93,900	

	<u>TOTAL FOREST AND SCRUB LANDS</u>		187,350
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From 1946 to 1955, 445 acres have been planted with tree seedlings in the River Reserves, while 1,133 acres of new plantations were created in 1955 within the Crown Forest Lands.

Building and furniture timber from Crown Forest produce in 1955 amounted to 9,114 cubic metres (in log volumes). In addition, it is estimated that 5,700 cubic metres of timber (in log volumes) were produced from private owned forests.

The volume of imported timber in 1955 exceeded by 53% the volume of local forest produce.

TOTAL OUTPUT OF TIMBER AND WOOD FUEL IN 1955

	Unit	From Crown Forests	From Pas Géométriques and Private Forests	Total
Timber	Cu.metres (round timber)	9,114	5,700	14,814
Wood Fuel (round wood)	Cu.metres (solid)	31,231	7,500	38,731

Details of the output of forest produce for 1955 are given hereunder.

PRODUCE OF CROWN FORESTS
(Log volumes in hundreds of cu. metres)

Timber	32.7
Sleepers	-
Round wood	59.1
Firewood	344.4
Charcoal	43.0

This represents a total equivalent in log volume of round timber of 53,523 cubic metres.

The Crown Forests also supplied 141 cubic metres of log wood for match manufactures.

OTHER INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTIONLIME

Production of lime in Mauritius is connected with sugar manufacture, being the principal agent in the juice clarifying process. Lime is moreover employed as a fertilizer in agriculture and is also generally used in the building trade and in the tanning industry. It is produced from corals, in stone kilns located near the sea-board. Of these kilns only one is a modern patent continuous vertical type. Wood is generally used as fuel in those kilns, though a number also use coal.

The production for 1950 - 1955 was as follows :-

Year	No. of kilns in operation	Quick lime produced	Slaked lime produced	Total Production
		M/Tons	M/Tons	L/Tons
1950	24	6,200	6,500	12,700
1951	22	7,600	8,100	15,700
1952	21	6,000	7,200	13,200
1953	23	7,900	6,500	14,400
1954	23	6,100	6,000	12,100
1955	24	5,100	6,200	11,300

SALT

Salt is extracted from sea-water in shallow paved pans located in the driest parts of the coastal belt. There were in the Colony, in 1955, 8 salt-works having a total area of about 128 acres. Of these 7 were in operation. The smallest works have a surface of about one acre while the largest in actual operation in 1955 was of 57 acres.

The production for 1950 - 1955 was as follows :-

Year	No. of salt-works	Total production
		M/Tons
1950	10	2,610
1951	9	3,400
1952	6	2,210
1953	7	2,500
1954	6	3,100
1955	7	3,500

OIL AND SOAP

Oil production in Mauritius assumed importance during the period immediately following the first World War and again, to an even greater extent, during World War II. There is at present only one oil extraction plant in the Colony; it was established some 26 years ago but was improved and enlarged during World War II in order to increase its productive capacity.

Copra from which coconut oil is extracted, is produced by the dependencies of Mauritius - Agalóga and the Chagos Archipelago. The present production of copra is around 1,700 metric tons. The coconut oil produced is in part refined and deodorised for human consumption, and in part used for the manufacture of soap.

The following table gives the quantities of copra used and the oil and soap manufactured during the last 5 years:

YEAR	Copra used	Edible Oil produced	Poona ⁺ produced	In Metric Tons	
				Soap manufactured From copra oil	From imported oil
1951	2,061	1,077	718	198	150
1952	1,276	654	440	141	207
1953	1,498	833	524	89	114
1954	1,263	763	422	68	38
1955	1,189	711	383	65	71

MATCH MANUFACTURE

Matches are produced in the Island from imported chemicals and by utilising wood from pine logs produced by the Forest Department.

The production and consumption of local matches in the Colony for the period 1951 - 1955 are given hereunder :-

Year	P R O D U C T I O N		V A L U E Rs	C O N S U M P T I O N Gross Boxes [©]
	Million sticks	Contained in gross boxes		
1951	209	36,212	116,300	25,100
1952	36	15,000	52,800	34,600
1953	109	18,890	65,200	21,900
1954	89	15,424	52,400	18,400
1955	54	9,009 [*]	29,100	7,600 ⁺⁺

Only one match factory was in operation in 1955. It consumed a total of 141 cubic metres of local wood during the year.

- + Oil cake residue for feeding animals.
- © Each box contains about 40 sticks.
- * Including 389 gross boxes of 80 sticks per box.
- ++ Including 321 gross boxes of 80 sticks per box.

PRODUCTION OF ELECTRICITY

Electricity is produced in Mauritius partly in hydraulic powered plants⁺ and partly in diesel and steam powered plants. The steam powered installations are utilised exclusively in sugar factories.

1. Hydro-electric installations:

The total rated capacity of hydro-electric power stations⁺ amounts to: 8,910 K.V.A.

2. Thermo-electric installations:

- (i) Diesel-powered plants: the newly created St Louis power station has at present a rated capacity of: 3,480 K.V.A., which however it is proposed to increase considerably in the near future.

There are, besides, a number of minor isolated installations having an aggregate rated capacity of: 1,075 K.V.A., mainly used in cases of emergency.

- (ii) Steam-electric installations: these steam-electric plants are privately owned and are to be found exclusively in sugar factories, where their utilisation is becoming more frequent.

The present aggregate rated capacity of these plants is: 16,200 K.V.A.

Hence, the aggregate power of all electricity generating installations in the Colony amounts to 29,665 K.V.A. or roughly 40,000 H.P. Of this aggregate, the total capacity of electrical power plants installed in sugar factories now accounts for nearly 55%.

The total number of units generated in 1955 (exclusive of private steam plants) was as follows :-

Hydro-electric power plants	31.7 million Kwh
Diesel-electric power plants	5.1 " "

Total	36.8 million Kwh
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Of these total generated units, the units actually consumed amounted to 30.0 million Kwh.

This was distributed as follows:-

	<u>Units</u>	<u>% of total</u>
Domestic consumption	21.5 million Kwh	71.6
Commercial " "	2.1 " "	7.0
Industrial " "	5.9 " "	19.7
Public utility (mainly street lighting)	0.5 " "	1.7
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	30.0 million Kwh	100.0
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The number of consumers as at 31st December, 1955 was as follows:

District of Port Louis (extra areas)	1,143
District of Grand Port	3,185
District of Savanne	2,358
District of Moka	631
Towns:- Port Louis	11,664
Beau Bassin	898
Rose Hill	2,862
Quatre Bornes	2,405
Vacoas	4,652
Curepipe and outskirts	3,939

Total	33,737
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+ See page 34

NATURAL RESOURCESWATER POWER

Water power is used and has been developed in the Island for generating electricity in three main hydro-electric plants and to a lesser extent for driving machinery in sugar and also fibre factories and workshops.

The three main hydro-electric power stations are :-

S T A T I O N	Rated capacity	Output of Power Station in million kwh.
1. The Tamarin River Power Station, Tamarin Falls (General Electric Supply Co. Ltd.,)	8,000 KVA	28.2
2. The Cascade River Power Station, Réduit Falls, (General Electric Supply Co. Ltd.,)	600 KVA	2.7
3. The Savanne River Power Station, Cecil Falls, Souillac, (The Central Electricity Board)	310 KVA	0.8
	8,910 KVA	31.7

In addition about 700 H.P. of minor isolated water power installation exist in sugar factories, and another 200 H.P. in aloe fibre factories.

The total output (exclusive of transmission losses) of the three main hydro-electric stations was distributed by the various sub-stations as follows:-

	<u>Kw-hrs</u>
Port Louis and district	5,309,502
Beau Bassin, Rose Hill, Quatre Bornes, Réduit, Moka and St. Pierre	7,596,981
Phoenix, Vacoas, Floréal, Curepipe and Forest Side	13,505,057
Rose Belle, Souillac and Mahébourg area	3,007,910
Total	29,420,000

This total output represents an increase of 1.0% over the previous year's output.

DEVELOPMENT OF HYDRO ELECTRIC POWER PRODUCTION 1938 - 1955

Year	Kw-hrs distributed	Index (1938 = 100)
1938	5.0 million	100
1946	12.4 "	248
1947	14.2 "	284
1948	15.4 "	308
1949	17.3 "	352
1950	20.8 "	416
1951	23.1 "	462
1952	26.8 "	536
1953	30.8 "	616
1954	29.1 "	582
1955	29.4 "	588

The total possible output of hydro-electric power capable of being economically developed in the island is estimated at 100 million kwh.

LIVESTOCK

The main livestock of the Colony consist of draught and dairy cattle, the greater number of which are kept on small holdings or by individual cow-keepers, while a lesser number exists on sugar estates, where herds are kept mainly for the production of manure. A fair proportion of the locally-bred cattle go to supply the total beef consumed in the Island. Goats exist in fairly large numbers, with a comparatively small number of sheep and pigs. Equines are very small in number. Wild deer exist in a difficultly ascertainable number, but are probably less than 10,000. The local stock is largely supplemented by importation of live animals, principally beef-cattle.

TOTAL LIVESTOCK IN THE COLONY (1950 Census figures)

Dairy stock (including young stock)	32,100	Sheep	2,000
Herd cattle	5,100	Goats	53,500
Draught cattle	3,100	Pigs	4,000

LIVESTOCK IMPORTED DURING THE YEAR

Country of Origin	Cows & Oxen	Goats	Sheep	Pigs	Turtles
Union of South Africa	1	-	-	-	-
Australia	4	-	450	-	-
France	-	-	-	-	-
Madagascar	5,583	-	-	-	-
Rodrigues	909	4,472	1,742	3,971	-
Other Dependencies	-	-	-	52	418
Total	6,497	4,472	2,192	4,023	418

DEPLETION OF LIVESTOCK⁺

			Head
Cattle	...	...	11,744 [*]
Goats	...	...	20,896
Sheep	...	...	2,345
Pigs	...	...	6,412
Deer	...	...	2,000 [@]

+ Slaughtered for food;

* of which 6,169 were from local herds;

@ estimated annual number of head killed in hunting parties.

<u>Beef cattle supply</u>	<u>From imports</u>	<u>From local herds</u>
Percentage of animals slaughtered	47.5	52.5

FISHERIES

The coast line of Mauritius is 152 miles long. The total shallow area where coastal fishing is exercised is about 125 square miles. The lagoon area where most of the fishing is done is estimated at 95 square miles. Of this area, fishing reserves, where net fishing is limited to two or three times a year, cover about 25 square miles; so that normal daily fishing with nets is carried over only 70 square miles inside the lagoon area. The protection afforded to the fish in the reserves shows remarkably in the catches of the nets in these fishings. About 600 different species of fish have been found to exist around the Island classified⁺ as follows:-

	<u>Varieties</u>
(i) Lagoon shallow species	100
(ii) Reef species	250-300
(iii) Bottom species, to a depth of 60 fathoms	100
(iv) Deep bottom species, from 60 to 120 fathoms	50
(v) Pelagic species	50

Shallow water fishing is carried out with basket traps, lines, nets and cast nets. Outside the reef, line fishing and traps are extensively used. Large nets are normally authorised to fish between sunrise and sunset, occasionally however they are permitted to fish at night.

In 1955, 31 permits to use seine nets were issued giving employment to about 250 fishermen.

The total annual catch of these nets is shown below:-

Average 1946 - 1950	...	404	Metric Tons
1951	...	380	" "
1952	...	393	" "
1953	...	410	" "
1954	...	425	" "
1955	...	440	" "

In 1955, the total individual fishings or net/days in the reserves amounted to 72 and the catch to 26.2 tons, as against 197 fishings and 62.4 tons in 1953 and 1954. The average catch per net/day has thus increased from 317 lbs. in 1953 and 1954 to 364 lbs. in 1955.

The lagoon and neighbouring waters are now exploited to the fullest extent and therefore the yield from these sources cannot be sensibly increased. But the open waters of the shelf with an average depth of 30 to 40 fathoms can still admit of an intensification of fishing.

+ Except for the pelagic species, there is no very definite demarcation in the classification owing to the migratory habits of the different varieties.

The shelf is narrow all round the coast, except in the North where it extends to form the Round Island-Flat Island Bank and in the South West where it widens to a few miles. These extensions included, the total area of shallow water covers some 400 square miles which at present are producing one ton of fish per square mile per annum, a very small figure compared to the yield of 10 tons per square mile of the lagoon and waters neighbouring the reefs. During the winter months fishing offshore is quite impossible on the windward side and is much reduced on the leeward side. Further that part of the shelf which immediately surrounds the reefs is inhabited by species which also frequent the lagoon where they are captured, thus contributing to the result of the inshore fisheries.

The present annual production of fish (lobsters, and octopus excluded) from the lagoon shallows and the surrounding waters has been estimated at roughly 15 tons per square mile; this is considered to be almost the maximum that can be expected from local waters. The above production is, however, estimated to be only one-third of what the optimum local consumption could absorb.

The number of professional fishermen engaged in the fishing industry at the end of 1953 was :-

<u>No. of fishermen</u>	<u>using</u>	<u>Mode of fishing</u>
701		basket traps
491	"	line traps
204	"	basket traps and line.
16	"	basket traps and nets
366	"	nets and cast nets

The catch of fish in 1955 is estimated at 2,235 tons made up as follows :-

	<u>M/Tons</u>
Weight produced at controlled landing stations	1,735
Weight produced at uncontrolled landing stations	200
Weight of fish consumed by fishermen	180
Weight caught by non-professionals	120
Total	2,235

The total controlled catch of the last 10 years is given in the following tables :-

TOTAL CONTROLLED CATCH IN TONS

	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955
Nets	402	406	401	399	413	320	393	410	425	441
B.Traps	603	544	662	511	603	664	764	791	649	706
Lines	156	159	215	133	131	190	226	247	275	297
Octopus	307	324	307	302	230	252	233	204	233	266
Lobsters	35	22	23	23	23	21	27	32	30	25
Sharks	26	(	..... Included in nets and lines							
	1529	1455	1613	1393	1483	1507	1648	1654	1612	1735

CONTROLLED CATCH PER DISTRICT PER YEAR
(Metric Tons)

	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955
Grand Port- Flacq	614	571	591	479	451	435	462	432	485	549
Pamplemousses R/Rempart	517	505	558	526	577	633	633	700	606	652
Black River- Savanne	398	379	464	393	454	469	523	502	521	534
	1529	1455	1613	1398	1482	1507	1648	1634	1612	1735

MONTHLY CATCH OF ALL CONTROLLED STATIONS

	1953 Metric	1954 Tons	1955	Average 1946 - 1955	Graduated % Average
January	114.-	101.1	154.4	7.5	9.2
February	133.1	163.1	143.4	9.0	8.9
March	126.-	160.8	155.0	10.2	9.5
April	144.-	142.5	174.0	9.3	9.6
May	137.-	134.4	154.3	9.4	8.7
June	115.1	125.9	112.9	7.2	7.3
July	116.5	119.6	134.7	6.9	6.7
August	103.-	99.4	126.2	6.1	6.4
September	113.3	105.6	114.7	6.1	6.7
October	130.8	115.3	145.5	7.3	7.3
November	132.5	150.3	149.7	9.6	9.4
December	173.2	130.2	134.9	10.0	9.3
	1634.-	1611.9	1735.9	100.0	100.0

In the table herebelow are given the inshore and offshore controlled production of the last 3 years :-

	1953 Metric	1954 Tons	1955
Main species	500	500	541
Octopi	204	230	263
Lobsters	32	30	25
Other species	264	237	253
Total inshore catch	1260	1250	1325
Catch in other waters (offshore)	424	362	350
Total controlled catch	1684	1612	1735

The inshore fishery thus produces 75 to 80% of the total controlled catch.

The total number of oysters picked up and consumed yearly is estimated at approximately 1 million and shows a tendency to increase.

The number of sharks captured during the period 1950-55 is given hereunder :-

1950	...	1,415
1951	...	1,632
1952	...	1,392
1953	...	1,960
1954	...	2,319
1955	...	2,443

The figures show a steady increase since the application of the new rates of bonus for sharks captured.

Fishing as an industry is also carried out by a private company at the Cargados Carajos banks (St Brandon Island). The average annual production for the ten year period 1946 - 1955 was 207 tons of salted fish. In 1955, 139 tons of salted fish were received in Mauritius from St Brandon. In the same year 427 tons of salted fish and octopus were received from the dependency of Rodrigues.

N.B. The greater part of the information given in this chapter has been extracted from the Annual Report of the Fisheries Branch of the Department of Agriculture.

YIELD OF ANIMAL PRODUCE

Milk	200,000 hectolitres
Butter	7 metric tons
Cheese	3,200 kilos
Beef	1,740 ⁺ metric tons
Pork	337 " "
Mutton	301* " "
Goat flesh	183 " "
Cattle hides	11,700 units

+ Includes 380 metric tons or 51% of imported livestock and 137 tons or 8% of congealed beef.

* Includes 263 tons of congealed mutton.

SUMMARY OF LOCAL FOOD PRODUCTION

Commodity	Quantity produced for home consumption		
<u>Cereals</u>			
Rice	30	metric tons	
Maize	2,050	" "	
Bread	11,000	" "	
<u>Rooterops</u>			
Manioc	2,300	metric tons	
Sweet potatoes and eddoes	1,230	" "	
Potatoes	3,180	" "	
Meat fresh	1,600	" "	
Fish fresh	2,200	" "	
Dairy produce	20,600	" "	
Edible Oil (Coconut)	710	" "	
Tea	610	" "	
Sugar :			
White	16,800	" "	
Raw	3,700	" "	
Salt	3,500	" "	
Rum	1,701,000	litres	
Wine	3,723,000	"	

SUMMARY OF INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION

Commodity	Quantity produced or manufactured		
Sugar	533,000	metric tons	
Alce Fibre (Raw)	1,700	" "	
Rum	1,701,000	litres	
Alcohol for export	32,000	" "	
Tobacco (leaf)	370	metric tons	
Pouch tobacco and snuff	3	" "	
Cigarettes	582	" "	
Tea	610	" "	
Wine	3,736,000	litres	
Soda water	431,000	" "	
Soft aerated beverages	2,133,000	" "	
Sacks (aloe fibre)	2,637,000	units	
Cloth (aloe fibre, width 20" - 46")	64,000	yards	
Yarn	10	metric tons	
Lime	11,300	" "	
Salt	3,500	" "	
Soap	140	" "	
Hides and skin, cattle	11,700	units	
Timber (building and furniture)	7,400	cubic metres	
Charcoal	300	metric tons (estimated)	

Number of persons licensed to exercise in trades specific to
food production and distribution.

	ISIC ⁺	
Manufacturer of Soda and Aerated Minerals	214	8
Manufacturer of salt	190	7
Victualler (on and off premises)	342	1,476
Restaurant Keeper	342	81
Hotel and Boarding House Keeper	343	9
Retailer of groceries	512	109
Manufacturer of Ice	399	6
Producer of Vinegar	209	5
Dealer in imported Vegetables & Fruits	512	16
General Retailer	512	2,830
Wholesale & Retail Dealer	611-612	131
Seller of Ale, Beer, Porter & Cider	512	35
Producer of Meat	201	201
Producer of Fresh Fish	040	1,778
Producer of Bread	206	119
Manufacturer of Wine	212	12

INDUSTRIES AND MANUFACTURES

Number of persons in possession of a licence to conduct or
deal in certain specific industries

	ISIC ⁺			ISIC ⁺	
Manufacturer of Oils	209) 312)	2	Manufacturer of Gold & Silver Wares	395	171
" of Lime	311	24	Manufacturer of Matches	319	2
" of Salt	190	7	Manufacturer of Tobacco	220	2
" of Soap	319	4	Operator of a Foundry	341- 342	116
Manufacturer or Seller of Bricks, Tiles & Cement	331	26	" " Distillery	211	5
Manufacturer or Producer of Vinegar	209	5	Dealer in Firewood	612	24
Manufacturer of Perfumed Spirits	319	6	" " Manure	612	9
Manufacturer of Manure	311	1	" " Leather and Saddlery	612	15
Manufacturer of Ice	399	6	Dealer in Vacoas bags	612	1
			Dealer in Timber	612	79
			Dealer in Old Metals	612	78

Number of establishments engaged in various local industries

	ISIC ⁺			ISIC ⁺	
Sugar Factory	207	26	Ice Factory	399	6
Alce Fibre Factory	231	30	Vinegar Factory	209	5
Tea Factory	209	5	Perfume Producing Plant	319	6
Distillery	211	5	Gold & Silver Wares Shop	395	171
Soap Factory	319	4	Tobacco Factory	220	2
Match Factory	319	2	Sawmill	250	48
Oil Producing Plant	209) 312)	2	Bakery	206	119
Salt Pan	190	3	Tannery	291	3
Lime Kiln	311	24	Furniture and Cabinet Making	260	495
Bricks, Tiles & Cement Factory	331	26			

+ ISIC = International Standard Industrial Classification Group Number.

TRADE AND COMMERCETHE VISIBLE TRADE OF THE COLONY

The visible trade balance of the Colony depends almost entirely on the price obtained for exported sugar. In 1955 sugar exports⁺ formed 98.3% of the total domestic exports whilst molasses, a by-product of the sugar industry, accounted for another 1.2%.

The following table shows the value of the total annual trade and of the visible trade balance for the last ten years:

BALANCE OF VISIBLE TRADE (1946 - 1955)

Calendar year	V A L U E				Excess in value of exports (+) or imports (-)	Total value of trade
	of Imports	Per capita	of Exports*	Per capita		
Prewar average 1936-38	Rs 000	Rs	Rs 000	Rs	Rs 000	Rs 000
	32,759	80	39,464	95	+ 6,705	72,223
1946	66,700	156	66,946	156	+ 246	133,646
1947	113,833	259	102,541	233	- 11,292	216,374
1948	136,189	303	145,831	330	+ 9,642	282,020
1949	153,140	345	170,701	384	+ 17,561	323,841
1950	175,802	378	153,029	329	- 22,773	328,831
1951	203,062	420	237,933	492	+ 34,901	441,025
1952	230,801	460	253,741	505	+ 22,940	484,542
1953	251,094	486	276,438	535	+ 25,394	527,582
1954	214,359	404	263,370	506	+ 54,011	482,729
1955	254,472	463	252,513	460	- 1,959	506,985
Period 1946-55	1,799,452		1,928,126		+ 128,671	3,727,575

* Includes amount allowed on sugar preference certificates and various bonuses. Includes also sales value of bunker fuel and ships' stores.

The visible trade balance at the end of 1955 was unfavourable for the first time since 1951, but the deficit was small (Rs 2 million). The total value of Imports during the year was the highest on record, the major increases having been incurred on food items and on machinery and vehicles. The quantum index of imports (1948 = 100) was 160 in 1955 as compared with about 140 for the two previous years. The value of exports on the other hand was the lowest since 1951, the price and quantum indexes both showing a notable reduction. But the declared value of the Colony's exports is in a large measure dependent on the fraction of the exportable crop which has been shipped by the end of the year. As the production of sugar (the main item of domestic exports) starts annually in July and the crop is completely sold out by the following June, it seems more rational to examine the visible trade balance half yearly as follows :-

+ when amount allowed on sugar preference is added on.

Period	Imports	Exports*	In 000 Rupees	
			Half-yearly	As at 30th June
July 1949 - December 1949	77,919	118,714	+ 40,795)	- 684
January 1950 - June 1950	81,169	39,690	- 41,479)	
July 1950 - December 1950	94,638	113,339	+ 18,706)	+ 14,341
January 1951 - June 1951	80,425	76,060	- 4,365)	
July 1951 - December 1951	122,637	161,903	+ 39,266)	- 9,017
January 1952 - June 1952	116,054	67,771	- 48,283)	
July 1952 - December 1952	114,747	135,970	+ 71,223)	+ 11,000
January 1953 - June 1953	118,721	58,492	- 60,223)	
July 1953 - December 1953	132,373	217,991	+ 85,618)	+ 60,036
January 1954 - June 1954	92,994	67,412	- 25,582)	
July 1954 - December 1954	121,365	200,957	+ 79,592)	+ 5,422
January 1955 to June 1955	126,525	52,155	- 74,170)	
July 1955 - December 1955	128,147	200,353	+ 72,211	

* The value of Exports includes the amount allowed on sugar preference and various bonuses; the value of sales of bunker fuel and ships' stores have also been included.

The visible trade for the twelve months ending 30th June 1955 shows a small favourable balance.

Over the ten year period 1946 - 1955 the Calendar year visible trade balance has accrued favourably to the extent of nearly Rs 129 million.

INDEXES OF PRINCIPAL DOMESTIC EXPORTS (1948 = 100)

Calendar year	SUGAR		TEA		ALOE FIBRE		MOLASSES
	Ton. exported	Value ⁺ per ton F.O.B.	Ton. exported	Value per ton F.O.B.	Ton. exported	Value per ton F.O.B.	Value per ton F.O.B.
1951	131	126	699	105	580	151	300
1952	122	143	141	109	469	138	267
1953	125	155	565	110	142	51	124
1954	130	145	1,935	111	55	42	91
1955	123	144	3,034	114	173	54	99

+ Inclusive of the value of Preference Certificates.

THE POST-WAR TERMS OF TRADE

The quantum and price indexes (1948 = 100) of external trade for the five years 1951, 1952, 1953, 1954 and 1955 are given in the following table:

Year	QUANTUM INDEX			PRICE INDEX		
	Exports	Imports	Ratio Exports Index/ Imports Index	Exports	Imports	Ratio Exports Index/ Imports Index
1951	131	110	1.19	126	136	0.93
1952	123	127	0.97	142	134	1.06
1953	125	140	0.89	152	132	1.15
1954	128	139	0.92	144	113	1.27
1955	123	160	0.77	142	113	1.24

The volume of exports for the calendar year 1955 appears somewhat low, yet the production of sugar and consequently the tonnage of sugar exported have been steadily increasing and have been much larger for the 1955 crop (produced from June to December) than for each of the two previous years.

This is shown in the following table :-

QUANTUM INDEX FOR EXPORTED SUGAR

Crop Year	Tonnage exported from crop	Export quantum index for <u>crop</u> year	Export quantum index for <u>calendar</u> year
1938	308,483 m/tons	100	100
1948	373,297 "	121	132
1949	396,865 "	129	149
1950	434,901 "	141	123
1951	464,143 "	150	173
1952	443,373 "	146	160
1953	490,219 "	159	165
1954	476,504 "	155	172
1955	510,697 "	166	162

The quantum index of exports for the calendar year is thus largely dependent on the fraction of the harvested crop which is shipped for export between June and December each year. Domestic exports other than sugar are insignificant in comparison.

NOTE:- Price indexes are computed by Fisher's ideal formula using moving crossed weights. Coverage amounts to 84% in the case of imports and is almost 99% in the case of exports. Quantum & Price indexes conform with the index of total trade value.

TRADE WITH THE STERLING AND HARD CURRENCY AREAS

	STERLING AREA		HARD CURRENCY AREA		OTHER COUNTRIES		TOTAL RUPEES	
	Rupees	% of total	Rupees	% of total	Rupees	% of total		
1950	Import Trade	130,003,303	74.0	4,771,399	2.7	41,027,672	25.3	175,802,374
	Export Trade	125,606,167	81.8	27,602,919	17.9	507,432	0.3	154,716,518
	Total Trade	255,609,470	77.6	32,374,318	9.8	41,535,104	12.6	330,518,892
1951	Import Trade	149,595,432	73.7	3,330,667	1.6	50,135,965	24.7	203,062,064
	Export Trade	230,194,475	97.1	5,812,525	2.5	993,361	0.4	237,005,361
	Total Trade	379,789,907	86.3	9,143,192	2.1	51,134,326	11.6	440,067,425
1952	Import Trade	175,066,238	75.8	4,933,230	2.2	50,750,955	22.0	230,800,423
	Export Trade	237,627,413	94.4	9,846,703	3.9	4,225,343	1.7	251,699,464
	Total Trade	412,693,653	85.5	14,829,933	3.1	54,976,298	11.4	482,499,887
1953	Import Trade	199,570,372	79.5	3,849,855	1.5	47,673,528	19.0	251,093,755
	Export Trade	230,609,122	84.1	41,381,822	15.1	2,174,157	0.8	274,165,101
	Total Trade	430,179,494	81.9	45,231,677	8.6	49,847,685	9.5	525,258,856
1954	Import Trade	163,962,760	79.3	2,786,530	1.5	41,610,065	13.4	214,359,355
	Export Trade	224,064,953	83.9	41,494,123	15.6	1,406,605	0.5	266,965,681
	Total Trade	394,027,713	81.8	44,280,653	9.2	43,016,670	3.9	481,325,036
1955	Import Trade	198,423,508	78.0	4,640,449	1.8	51,408,290	20.2	254,472,247
	Export Trade	208,478,113	82.8	42,127,039	16.7	1,161,738	0.5	251,766,895
	Total Trade	406,901,626	80.4	46,767,488	9.2	52,570,028	10.4	506,239,142

THE EXPORT TRADE

The figures of Exports in the preceding table include value of Sugar Preference Certificates which for 1955 amounted to Rs 6,872,333 but exclude value of Bunkers and Ships' stores which for 1955 amounted to Rs 1,167,211.

The total values of the Export Trade in domestic produce for 1948 - 1955 were :-

		Rs
1948	...	136,506,669
1949	...	160,681,871
1950	...	145,831,309
1951	...	227,833,833
1952	...	242,995,510
1953	...	264,785,990
1954	...	257,558,856
1955	...	241,587,467

The total values for domestic exports quoted above are exclusive of the value of the Colonial Sugar Preference Certificates which add to the selling price of the sugar. The figures for domestic exports when the value of the Sugar Preference is included are :-

		Rs
1948	...	141,299,669
1949	...	165,511,871
1950	...	151,141,309
1951	...	233,381,671
1952	...	249,106,680
1953	...	271,060,579
1954	...	264,414,030
1955	...	248,459,800

The proportions in value of the various items of domestic exports were as given in the following table :-

	1 9 5 5	
	Value (Rs)	% of total value
Sugar	244,205,676 [@]	98.29
Molasses	2,941,206	1.18
Tea	944,618	0.38
Aloe Fibre	99,565	0.04
Colonial Spirits	23,057	0.01
Miscellaneous	245,678	0.10
Total	248,459,800	100.00

[@] Includes value of Colonial Sugar Preference Certificates (Rs 6,872,333)

The destination of the main domestic exports in 1955 were, in relative quantities :

	% of total quantity				
	Sugar	Molasses	Tea	Colonial Spirits	Alce Fibre
United Kingdom	80.03	59.74	80.30	-	-
Other Countries of the British Commonwealth	19.95	2.54	7.87	100.00	-
Foreign Countries	0.02	37.72	11.83	-	100.00
Total	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00

RE-EXPORTS

There were re-exports of merchandise in 1951, 1952, 1953, 1954 and 1955 to the value of Rs 3,628,690, Rs 2,592,786, Rs 3,104,517, Rs 2,551,651 and Rs 3,307,095 respectively.

There were in addition, sales of bunker fuel and ships' stores to the value indicated below for the years 1950 - 1955 :-

<u>Year</u>	<u>Value</u> <u>Rs 000</u>
1950	1,033
1951	957
1952	1,969
1953	2,342
1954	1,189
1955	1,167

THE IMPORT TRADE

The value of the Import Trade in 1955 totalled 254.5 million rupees. The countries from which the principal 1955 imports were derived were :-

Country	Value (Rs)	Proportion to total
		%
United Kingdom	100,783,506	39.6
Burma	27,913,876	11.0
India	25,553,527	10.0
Australia	17,698,828	6.9
Western Germany	10,770,967	4.2
Union of South Africa	10,708,871	4.2
France	10,662,019	4.2
Belgium	5,737,316	2.2
Hong Kong	4,731,734	1.9
United States	4,623,874	1.8
Singapore	4,483,794	1.8
Japan	3,240,917	1.3
Aden	2,713,390	1.1
Madagascar	2,631,831	1.0
Iran	2,525,534	0.9
Holland	2,229,574	0.9
Siam	2,190,902	0.9
Portuguese East Africa	2,033,759	0.8
Netherlands West Indies	1,179,163	0.5
Bahrein	1,042,180	0.4
Switzerland	1,042,179	0.4
Other Sources	10,168,456	4.0
Total	254,472,247	100.0

CLASSIFICATION⁺ OF 1955 IMPORTS IN VALUE

	Value (Rs 000)	Proportion to total
Section 0 Food	79,127	31.1
" 1 Beverages and Tobacco	3,025	2.4
" 2 Crude Materials, Inedible except Fuels	6,593	2.6
" 3 Mineral Fuels, Lubri- cants & related materials	10,231	4.0
" 4 Animal & Vegetable Oils & Fats	5,816	2.3
" 5 Chemicals	27,864	10.9
" 6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	60,476	23.8
" 7 Machinery & Transport Equipment	41,815	16.4
" 8 Miscellaneous Manufac- tured Articles	16,303	6.4
" 9 Miscellaneous Transac- tions & Commodities (not elsewhere specified)	222	0.1
Total	254,472	100.0

+ According to the Standard International
Trade Classification.

CEREALS AND PULSES

The percentage value of cereals and pulses in the total food purchases was 69%. Rice constituted 75% and wheat flour 19% of the total value of cereals and pulses.

In respect of quantity, the importation in 1955 of cereals and pulses and certain other main food commodities, expressed as a percentage of the prewar average⁺ imports are :-

SITC ⁺⁺	Commodity	Quantity imported	% of prewar average imports
042 - 02	Rice	58,171 M/Tons	97.0
046 - 01	Wheat flour	23,089 "	256.5
054 - 02	Pulses	5,829 "	98.4
054 - 01	Potatoes	3,095 "	218.0
051 - 01 to 06	Fresh fruits	720 "	553.8
001 - 01	Live cattle for food*	5,508 Heads	115.2
D31 - 02	Fish salted or pickled	801 M/Tons	148.3

* Beef supply

+ The prewar average is computed from imports of 1936-1938.

EDIBLE OILS AND FATS

The relative quantities of edible oils and fats imported in 1955 are shown in the following table as a ratio to total quantity imported :-

SITC ⁺⁺	Commodity	Quantity imported	% of total quantity imported
412 - 03	Cotton seed oil	2,407 M/Tons	51.7
412 - 04	Groundnut oil	396 "	19.2
412 - 07	Coconut oil	178 "	3.8
412 - 19	Gingerly & Mustard Oils	95 "	2.0
412 - 02	Soya bean oil	53 "	1.2
412 - 05	Olive oil	22 "	0.5
412 - 19	Other oils from seeds, kernels, etc.	104 "	2.2
091 - 01	Margarine	813 "	17.4
091 - 02	Shortenings, lard, etc.	94 "	2.0
	Total	4,662 M/Tons	100.0

++ Standard International Trade Classification.

CRUDE MATERIALS AND MINERAL FUELS

The quantities of these materials imported in 1955 are expressed in the following table as a percentage of the prewar average imports :-

SITC ⁺	Material	Quantity imported	% of the prewar average imports
311 - 01	Coal	9,181 M/Tons	21.0
243 - 03	Timber	22,654 cu.metres	206.3
313 - 02	Kerosene	38,153 Hectol	131.6
313 - 01	Motor spirit (petrol)	231,307 "	344.1
313 - 04	Lubricating oils	14,811 "	224.4
512 - 05	Turpentine	165 "	73.3
412 - 11	Castor Oil	67 M/Tons	70.0
412 - 01	Linseed Oil	150 "	83.3

The relative proportions in the total imports of motor spirits (excluding aviation gasoline - 16,774 hectols) in reference to different sources of importation were :-

	Quantity imported (Hectolitres)	% of total
Aden	145,830	63.0
Iran	85,283	36.9
Saudi Arabia	176	0.1
Italy	18	-
Total	231,307	100.0

MANUFACTURED GOODSROAD VEHICLES

The importation of road vehicles in 1955 as compared with the average prewar numbers was :-

SITC ⁺	Type	Average pre-war number	1955 number	Ratio to pre-war average
732 - 01	Motor cars	270	959	355.2
732 - 05) 732 - 03)	Motor chassis and lorries	75	283	377.3
732 - 02	Motor cycles	16	57	356.2
733 - 01	Bicycles	1,900	4,658	245.2

661 - 02⁺ Cement

The importation of cement in 1955 amounted to 46,376 metric tons or 719.0% of prewar average imported quantity.

+ Standard International Trade Classification.

MANUFACTURED GOODS (continued)TEXTILES

The value of 1955 imports in textiles was made up in relative proportions as follows :-

	M A N U F A C T U R E S			
	Cotton	Woollen	Synthetic Fibres	Total
Total value of imports	<u>Rs</u> 10,437,672	<u>Rs</u> 2,577,514	<u>Rs</u> 4,184,040	<u>Rs</u> 17,199,226
% of the total value of textile imports	60.7	15.0	24.3	100.0

As compared with prewar average the relative quantities of textiles imported in 1955 were :-

SITC ⁺	Material	Quantity imported (Sq. Metres)	% of the prewar average imports
652 - 01)	Grey and white cotton piece goods	8,194,399	109.9
652 - 02)				Dyed or printed cotton piece goods
653 - 02	Woollen piece goods	215,256	164.3

552 - 02⁺ Soap

The quantity of common soap imported in 1955 was 2,928 metric tons representing 183% of prewar average.

+ Standard International Trade Classification.

DETAILS OF IMPORTED MERCHANDISE⁺

Division No.	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional title description	Unit	Quantity	Value C.I.F. Unit = Rs 1000
SECTION O FOOD						
Live Animals						
00	001	001 - 01	Bovine Cattle	Head	5,588	79,127
"	001	001 - 02	Sheep and Lambs	"	450	2,114 30
Meat and Meat Preparations						
01	011	011 - 01-04 & 09	Frozen Meat	M/Tons	369	684
"	012	012 - 01	Bacon and Ham	"	32	203
"	012	012 - 02-03	Smoked, dried or salted meats	"	94	249
"	013	013 - 02&09	Canned Meat	"	140	571
"	013	013 - 01	Sausages of all kinds not in airtight containers	"	23	116
Dairy Products, Eggs and Honey						
02	022	022 - 01&02	Milk dry, condensed & evaporated	"	1,863	3,538
"	023	023 - 01	Butter	"	273	1,608
"	023	023 - 01	Ghee (animal)	"	21	108
"	024	024 - 01	Cheese	"	103	444
"	025	025 - 01	Eggs in the shell	000	970	130
"	025	025 - 02	Eggs not in the shell, liquid, frozen or dried	M/Tons	2	5
"	026	026 - 01	Natural Honey	"	2	7
"	029	029 - 09	Milk Foods	"	176	773
"	029	029 - 09	Dairy Products N. E. S. [⊙]	"	40	207

⁺ according to the Standard International Trade Classification.
[⊙] not elsewhere specified.

DETAILS OF IMPORTED MERCHANDISE (continued)

Division No.	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional title description	Unit	Quantity	Value C.I.F. Unit = Rs 1000
SECTION 0 FOOD (continued)						
Fish and fish preparations						
03	031	031 - 01	Fish frozen	Lw/Tons	126	152
"	031	031 - 02	Fish salted, dried or smoked	"	301	1,197
"	031	031 - 03	Crustacea and Molluscs salted or dried	"	19	63
"	032	032 - 01	Canned fish	"	792	1,825
Cereals and Cereal preparations						
04	042	042 - 02	Rice	"	58,171	40,379
"	043	043 - 01	Barley, unmilled	"	18	11
"	044	044 - 01	Maize (corn) unmilled	"	2,789	1,041
"	045	045 - 02	Oats, unmilled	"	268	110
"	045	045 - 09	Cereals, unmilled N.E.S. [Ⓢ]	"	38	32
"	046	046 - 01	Wheat flour	"	23,089	10,310
"	047	047 - 02	Meal & flour of maize (corn)	"	226	91
"	047	047 - 09	Meal & flour of cereals N.E.S. [Ⓢ]	"	334	166
"	048	048 - 01	Cereals and cereals: flaked, pearled or prepared in a manner not elsewhere specified ("prepared breakfast foods")	"	106	178
"	048	048 - 03	Macaroni, spaghetti, noodles, vermicelli & other similar preparations	"	52	87
"	048	048 - 04	Bakery products (bread, biscuits, cakes, etc.)	"	109	484
"	048	048 - 09	Preparation of cereals, flour and fecula for food N.E.S. [Ⓢ] (including malt flour)	"	26	89

Ⓢ Not elsewhere specified.

DETAILS OF IMPORTED MERCHANDISE (continued)

Division No.	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional title description	Unit	Quantity	Value C.I.F. Unit = Rs 1000
SECTION 0 FOOD (continued)						
Fruits and Vegetables						
05	051	051 - 01 to 07	Fruits & nuts fresh (not including oil nuts)	M/Tons	740	676
"	052	052 - 01	Dried fruits including artificially dehydrated fruits	"	117	162
"	053	053 - 01 to 04	Fruit preserved and fruit preparations	"	-	287
"	054	054 - 01	Potatoes not including sweet potatoes	"	3,095	1,338
"	054	054 - 02	Beans, peas, lentils & other legumes (pulses) dry including split	"	5,829	3,149
"	054	054 - 09	Fresh vegetables	"	1,015	512
"	055	055 - 01 to 04	Other fresh and dried vegetables	"	295	379
Sugar and Sugar Preparations						
06	061	061 - 01-02 & 09	Sugar and Sugar preparations	"	156	452
Coffee, Tea, Cocoa, Spices and Manufactures thereof						
07	071	071 - 01	Coffee not roasted	"	65	218
"	071	071 - 02	Coffee roasted including ground	"	1	5
"	071	071 - 03	Coffee extracts, coffee essences and similar preparations containing coffee	"	2	89
"	072	072 - 02	Cocoa powder	"	11	58
"	073	073 - 01	Chocolate and chocolate preparations	"	55	342
"	074	074 - 01	Tea	"	16	124
"	075	075 - 02	Spices	"	539	923

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Division No.	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional title description	Unit	Quantity	Value C.I.F. Unit = Rs 1000
SECTION 0 FOOD (continued)						
Feeding stuff for animals (not including unmilled cereals)						
08	081	081 - 01 - 04 & 09	Feeding stuffs for animals	M/tons	1,258	498
Miscellaneous Food preparations						
09	091	091 - 01	Margarine	"	813	1,677
"	091	091 - 02	Shortenings, lard or lard substitutes, and similar edible fats	"	94	210
"	099	099 - 09	Vinegar	Hectol	40	6
"	099	099 - 09	Food preparations N.E.S. ©	M/Tons	111	428
SECTION 1 BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO						
Non alcoholic beverages						
11	111	111 - 01	Non alcoholic beverages (including water but not including fruit or vegetable juices)	Hectol	-	79
"	112	112 - 01	Wine ordinary	"	3,439	663
"	112	112 - 01	Wine sparkling	"	247	202
"	112	112 - 02	Cider and fermented fruit juices N.E.S. ©	"	124	15
"	112	112 - 03	Beer (including ale, stout, porter) & other fermented cereal beverages	"	13,156	1,202
"	112	112 - 04	Distilled alcoholic beverages	"	1,115	950

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Division No.	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional title description	Unit	Quantity	Value C.I.F. Unit = Rs 1000
SECTION 1 BEVERAGES & TOBACCO (continued)						
Tobacco and Tobacco Manufactures						
12	121	121 - 01	Tobacco unmanufactured	M/Tons	157	1,522
"	122	122 - 01 & 02	Cigars, cheroots and cigarettes	"	77	1,381
"	122	122 - 03	Tobacco Manufactured	"	1	10
SECTION 2 CRUDE MATERIALS, INEDIBLE, EXCEPT FUELS						
Hides and Skins undressed						
21	211	211 - 01	Hides and skins undressed	M/Tons	1	6,593
Oil Seeds, Oil Nuts and Oil Kernels						
22	221	221 - 01	Groundnuts	"	63	69
"	221	221 - 04	Soybeans	"	7	4
"	221	221 - 05	Linseed	"	4	4
"	221	221 - 09	Oil Seeds & Nuts N.E.S. ©	"	46	45
Wood, Lumber and Cork						
24	243	243 - 01	Railway sleepers	000	17	628
24	243	243 - 02	Lumber sawn, planed or dressed	Cu. metres	22,654	4,181
Pulp and Waste Paper						
25	251	251 - 01	Old newspapers	M/Tons	587	229

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Division No.	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional title description	Unit	Quantity	Value C.I.F. Unit = Rs 1000
SECTION 2 CRUDE MATERIALS, INEDIBLE, EXCEPT FURS (continued)						
Textile Fibres (not manufactured into yarn, thread or fabrics) & waste						
26	263	263 - 02	Cotton linters	l./Tons	1	8
"	263	263 - 03	Cotton waste	"	61	96
"	265	265 - 09	Vegetable textile fibres N.E.S.®	"	182	93
Crude Fertilizers and Crude Minerals, excluding Coal, Petroleum & Precious Stones						
27	271	271 - 01	Natural fertilizers of animal or vegetable origin, not chemically treated	"	2,464	259
"	272	272 - 01	Natural asphalt	"	1,818	439
"	272	272 - 04	Clay	"	147	31
"	272	272 - 05	Salt (including salt put up for retail sale)	"	57	9
"	272	272 - 03	Building & monumental (dimension) stone	"	-	54
"	272	272 - 12&19	Minerals, crude, including ice, N.E.S.®	"	100	29
Animal and Vegetable crude materials, inedible, N.E.S.®						
29	292	292 - 02	Natural gums, resins, balsam & lacs	"	20	62
"	292	292 - 03	Rattan	"	77	173
"	292	292 - 04	Plant seeds & flowers for use in medicine and perfumery	"	5	10
"	292	292 - 05	Seeds for planting	"	4	39
"	292	292 - 09	Kapok	"	3	20

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Division No.	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional title description	Unit	Quantity	Value C.I.F. Unit Rs 1000
SECTION 3 MINERALS FUELS, LUBRICANTS & RELATED MATERIALS						
Mineral Fuels, Lubricants and related Materials						
31	311	311 - 01	Coal	M/Tons	9,181	10,231
"	311	311 - 02	Coke	"	300	842
"	313	313 - 01	Aviation Gasoline	Hectol	16,774	73
"	313	313 - 01	Other Motor Spirits	"	231,307	864
"	313	313 - 02	Lamp Oil	"	38,153	3,426
"	313	313 - 03	Gas oil, diesel oil & other fuel oils	"	145,304	1,588
"	313	313 - 04	Lubricating oils, including mixtures with animal and vegetable lubricants	"	14,811	1,748
"	313	313 - 04	Lubricating greases	M/Tons	139	1,207
"	313	313 - 05	Mineral jelly & waxes	"	20	152
"	313	313 - 09	Pitch	"	1,185	18
"	313	313 - 09	Petroleum Products N.E.S. [Ⓢ]	"	2	306
SECTION 4 ANIMAL AND VEGETABLE OILS AND FATS						
Animal and Vegetable Oils, Fats, Greases and Derivatives						
41	411	411 - 01	Oils from fish & other marine animals	M/Tons	8	13
"	411	411 - 02	Tallow & Cart grease	"	16	20
"	412	412 - 01	Linseed oil	"	150	236
"	412	412 - 02	Soya Bean oil	"	55	102
"	412	412 - 03	Cotton seed oil	"	2,407	3,345
"	412	412 - 04	Groundnut oil	"	896	1,380
"	412	412 - 05	Olive oil	"	22	81
"	412	412 - 07	Coconut oil	"	178	227
"	412	412 - 11	Castor oil	"	67	100
"	412	412 - 19	Gingerly & Mustard oil	"	95	151
"	412	412 - 19	Other vegetable oils	"	104	50

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Division No.	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional title description	Unit	Quantity	Value C.I.F. Unit = Rs 1000
SECTION 4 ANIMAL AND VEGETABLE OILS AND FATS (continued)						
Animal and Vegetable Oils, Fats, Greases and Derivatives (continued)						
41	413	413 - 01	Oils, oxidized, blown or boiled	M/Tons	50	81
"	413	413 - 02	Hydrogenated oils and fats	"	12	22
"	413	413 - 04	Beeswax and other waxes of animal origin	"	4	16
SECTION 5 CHEMICALS						
Chemical Elements and Compounds						
51	511	511 - 01	Inorganic Acid	M/Tons	59	100
"	511	511 - 03	Sodium Hydroxide	"	22	12
"	511	511 - 04	Sodium Carbonate	"	73	22
"	511	511 - 09	Inorganic Compounds N.E.S.®	"	491	381
"	512	512 - 01	Aliphatic & other organic acids	"	3	12
"	512	512 - 03	Glycerine	"	1	7
"	512	512 - 05	Spirits of Turpentine	"	16	20
"	512	512 - 09	Organic Compounds N.E.S.®	"	17	38
Mineral Tar and Crude Chemicals from Coal, Petroleum and Mineral Gas						
52	521	521 - 01	Mineral Tar	"	24	7
Dyeing, Tanning and Colouring Materials						
53	531	531 - 01	Coal-tar Dye-stuffs	"	0.4	2
"	531	531 - 01	Natural indigo	"	74	179
						27,864

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Division No.	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional title description	Unit	Quantity	Value C.I.F. Unit = Rs1,000
SECTION 5 CHEMICALS (continued)						
Dyeing, Tanning and Colouring Materials (continued)						
53	532	532 - 01	Dyeing extracts	M/Tons	9	52
"	532	532 - 02 & 03	Tanning extracts	"	73	74
"	533	533 - 01 to 03	Pigments, paints, varnishes and related materials	"	1,397	2,695
Medicinal and Pharmaceutical Products						
54	541	541 - 01 to 04	Medicinal alkaloids & derivatives	"	40	835
"	541	541 - 09	Other medicinal products N.E.S.3	"	367	3,116
Essential Oils, Perfume Materials, Toilet, Polishing & Cleansing Preparations						
55	551	551 - 01 & 02	Essential oils, perfumes & flavour materials	M/Tons	-	380
"	552	552 - 01	Dentifrices	"	32	341
"	552	552 - 02	Soap, common	"	2,928	2,758
"	552	552 - 02	Toilet soap	"	215	523
"	552	552 - 01	Perfumery, cosmetic & other toilet preparations	"	114	864
"	552	552 - 03	Waxes, polishes, pastes, etc.	"	121	400
Fertilizers Manufactured						
56	561	561 - 01 to 03 & 09	Fertilizers manufactured	"	34,226	12,012

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Division No.	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional title description	Unit	Quantity	Value C.I.F. Unit = Rs 1000
SECTION 5 CHEMICALS (continued)						
Explosives and Miscellaneous Chemical Materials and Products						
59	591	591 - 01	Cartridges			39
"	591	591 - 01 - 03	Explosives			132
"	599	599 - 01	Synthetic plastic materials			62
"	599	599 - 02	Disinfectants & Insecticides	M/Tons	702	2,440
"	599	599 - 03 - 04 ^c & 09	Other chemical materials and products	"	194	353
SECTION 6 MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL						
Leather, Leather Manufactures N.E.S.^c and Dressed Furs						
61	611	611 - 01	Leather			133
"	611	611 - 02	Artificial leather			115
"	612	612 - 01 to 03 & 09	Manufactures of leather N.E.S. ^c	M/Tons	19	114
Rubber Manufactures N.E.S.^c						
62	621	621 - 01	Rubber fabricated materials			97
"	629	629 - 01	Rubber tyres and tubes			3,142
"	629	629 - 02 & 09	Rubber manufactured articles N.E.S. ^c			510
Wood and Cork Manufactures (excluding furniture)						
63	631	631 - 02 & 09	Manufactures of wood & cork			1,470
"	632	632 - 01, 02, 03 & 09				
"	633	633 - 01 & 09				

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Division No.	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional title description	Unit	Quantity	Value C.I.F. Unit = Rs 1000
SECTION 6 MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHEIEFLY BY MATERIAL (continued)						
Paper, paperboard and Manufactures thereof						
64	641	641 - 01	Newsprint paper	M/Tons	168	161
"	641	641 - 02	Printing & writing paper	"	324	536
"	641	641 - 03	Packing & wrapping Paperboard	"	26	49
"	641	641 - 04	Paperboard	"	24	31
"	641	641 - 05	Building paperboards	"	93	84
"	641	641 - 06 & 07	Other paperboards	"	19	49
"	641	641 - 08	Wallpaper	"	4	9
"	641	641 - 11	Cigarette paper	"	16	71
"	641	641 - 12	Blotting paper	"	6	23
"	641	641 - 19	Muslin paper	"	17	47
"	641	641 - 19	Paper & Paperboard N.E.S.®	"	89	312
"	642	642 - 01 to 03 & 09	Articles made of paper, pulp, etc.	"	512	1,131
Textile Yarn, Fabrics, Made-up Articles and related products						
65	651	651 - 01	Silk yarn & thread	"	0.4	9
"	651	651 - 02	Yarn of wool & hair	"	6	95
"	651	651 - 03 & 04	Cotton yarn & thread	"	25	886
"	651	651 - 05 & 09	Yarn of textile fibres N.E.S.®	"	2	16
"	652	652 - 01	Cotton fabrics (grey)	000 Sq.Ms.	1,509	1,027
"	652	652 - 02	Cotton fabrics (other than grey)	"	6,685	9,351
"	653	653 - 01	Silk fabrics	"	1	5
"	653	653 - 02	Woollen & worsted fabrics	"	215	2,570
"	653	653 - 03	Linen, hemp fabrics	"	6	29
"	653	653 - 04	Fabrics of jute	"	56	35
"	653	653 - 05 - 07 & 09	Other fabrics	"	2,295	4,206

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Division No.	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional title description	Unit	Quantity	Value C.I.F. Unit = Rs 1000
SECTION 6 MANUFACTURES OF GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL (continued)						
Textile Yarn, Fabrics, Made-up Articles and related products (continued)						
65	654	654 - 01 to 04	Tulle, lace, etc.			931
"	655	655 - 01 to 04, 06 & 09	Special products of textile materials			608
"	656	656 - 01	Jute bags	000	1,345	1,804
"	656	656 - 02	Tarpaulin, tents & canvas goods			150
"	656	656 - 03	Blankets & rugs			231
"	656	656 - 04 - 05 & 09	Made-up household articles of textile materials			321
"	657	657 - 01 to 03	Carpets, floor rugs, Mats, matting, etc.			121
"	657	657 - 04	Linoleum			17
Non-Metallic Mineral Manufactures N.E.S.						
66	661	661 - 01	Lime	M/Tons	122	24
"	661	661 - 02	Cement	"	46,376	6,434
"	661	661 - 03	Building stone (worked)	"	-	2
"	661	661 - 09	Building materials of asbestos	"	57	155
"	661	661 - 09	Building materials N.E.S. O	"	-	39
"	662	662 - 03	Clay construction materials	"	-	312
"	663	663 - 01 - 07 & 09	Mineral manufactures N.E.S. O not including clay & glass			923
"	664	664 - 03	Glass sheets	000 Sq.Ms.	104	455
"	664	664 - 04 to 08	Plate glass, etc.			94
"	665	665 - 01 - 02 & 09	Glassware			969
"	666	666 - 01	Table articles (earthenware)			27
"	666	666 - 02	Table articles (faience or fine earthenware)			150
"	666	666 - 03	Table articles (chinaware or porcelain)			92

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Division No.	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional title description	Unit	Quantity	Value C.I.F. Unit = Rs 1000
SECTION 6 MANUFACTURES OF GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL (continued)						
Silver, Platinum, Gems and Jewellery						
67	671	671 - 02	Platinum unworied, etc.			3
"	672	672 - 02	Precious & semi-precious stones cut but not set			73
"	673	673 - 01 & 02	Jewellery, goldsmiths' & silversmiths wares			491
Base Metals						
68	681	681 - 01	Pig iron	M/Tons	5	2
"	681	681 - 03	Ingots, blooms, slabs, etc.	"	1	1
"	681	681 - 04	Joists, girders, etc.	"	4,079	2,775
"	681	681 - 05	Universal plates & sheets uncoated	"	377	260
"	681	681 - 06	Hoops & strips not coated	"	-	-
"	681	681 - 07	Plates & Sheets coated	"	5,083	5,052
"	681	681 - 08 & 11	Tramway rails & tramway track construction accessories	"	407	255
"	681	681 - 12	Wire rods & wire	"	76	83
"	681	681 - 13	Steel tubes and fittings	"	1,003	1,034
"	681	681 - 14	Pipes & fittings	"	602	649
"	682	682 - 01	Copper & copper alloys unwrought	"	6	41
"	682	682 - 02	Copper & copper alloys wrought	"	33	429
"	684	684 - 02	Aluminium & aluminium alloys wrought	"	70	263
"	685	685 - 02	Lead & lead alloys worked	"	36	67
"	686	686 - 02	Zinc & zinc alloys worked	"	1	4
"	687	687 - 01	Solder	"	19	65
"	687	687 - 02	Tin & tin alloys worked	"	6	14

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Division No.	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional title description	Unit	Quantity	Value C.I.F. Unit = Rs 1,000
SECTION 6 MANUFACTURES OF GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL (continued)						
Manufactured Metals						
69	599	699 - 01 & 02	Finished structural parts of metals	M/Tons	1,090	2,158
"	699	699 - 03	Wire cables and ropes of iron and steel	"	41	81
"	699	699 - 05 & 06	Wire netting, wire fencing, wire grills, wire mesh and barbed wire	"	168	242
"	699	699 - 07	Nails, bolts, washers, etc.	"	783	353
"	699	699 - 08	Needles & pins	"	45	45
"	699	699 - 11	Safes	"	12	38
"	699	699 - 12	Hand tools	"	96	563
"	699	699 - 13 to 15	Household utensils of all base metals	"	152	588
"	699	699 - 16	Table and kitchen knives	"	145	145
"	699	699 - 17	Cutlery	"	267	267
"	699	699 - 18	Hardware of metals	M/Tons	107	427
"	699	699 - 21	Metal containers	"	23	53
"	699	699 - 22	Stoves, furnaces, grates, etc.	"	19	95
"	699	699 - 29	Capsules for bottles & crown corks	000	31,178	341
"	699	699 - 29	Manufactures of Metals N.E.S. ©	M/Tons	777	2,043
SECTION 7 MACHINERY AND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT						
Machinery, other than electric						
71	711	711 - 01	Steam generating boilers	M/Tons	123	41,315
"	711	711 - 02	Boilers house plant & parts	"	101	394
"	711	711 - 03	Steam engines & parts	"	64	423
"	711	711 - 04	Aircraft engines	"	6	396
"	711	711 - 05	Diesel engines & parts	"	127	316
"	711	711 - 09	Engines N.E.S. © & parts thereof	"	31	1,581
"	712	712 - 01 to 03	Agricultural machinery & implements	"	38	131
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Division No.	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional title description	Unit	Quantity	Value C.I.F. Unit = Rs 1000
SECTION 7 MACHINERY AND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT (continued)						
Machinery other than electric (continued)						
71	713	713 - 01	Tractors for agricultural purposes	Number	11	1,038
"	713	713 - 01	Parts of agricultural tractors	M/Tons	6	57
"	713	713 - 01 - 03	Tractors N.E.S. © & parts	Number	277	39
"	714	714 - 01	Typewriters	M/Tons	17	101
"	714	714 - 02	Accounting, bookkeeping & calculating machines			516
"	715	715 - 01	Machine tools for working metals	"	30	133
"	715	715 - 02	Other metal working machinery	"	2	30
"	716	716 - 01	Pumps for liquids	"	19	172
"	716	716 - 02	Industrial trucks	Number	6	43
"	716	716 - 03	Bulldozers	"	4	157
"	716	716 - 03	Parts of bulldozers	M/Tons	7	14
"	716	716 - 03	Mobile cranes, parts & accessories	"	25	42
"	716	716 - 03	Hoisting machinery & parts	"	3	264
"	716	716 - 04	Wood working machinery	"	3	34
"	716	716 - 05	Pneumatic tools	"	0.6	8
"	716	716 - 07	Printing type & plates	"	7	67
"	716	716 - 07	Printing & bookbinding machinery & parts	"	12	59
"	716	716 - 08	Textile machinery & accessories	"	11	105
"	716	716 - 11	Sewing machines	Number	1,384	293
"	716	716 - 12	Air-conditioning & refrigerating equipment	M/Tons	5	36
"	716	716 - 13	Machinery & appliances N.E.S. ©	"	846	2,746
"	716	716 - 14	Ball, needle and roller bearings	"	5	56
"	716	716 - 15	Machine parts & accessories N.E.S. ©	"	1,542	5,717

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SECTION 7 MACHINERY AND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT (continued)						
Electrical Machinery, Apparatus and Appliances						
72	721	721 - 01	Electric generators, alternators etc.	M/Tons	137	1471
"	721	721 - 02	Electric batteries for motor vehicles	"	133	355
"	721	721 - 02	Electric batteries for torches	"	51	81
"	721	721 - 02	Electric batteries N.E.S. ©	"	5	17
"	721	721 - 03	Bulbs for electric lighting	000	236	126
"	721	721 - 03	Bulbs for motor vehicles	"	51	32
"	721	721 - 03	Bulbs for torches and hand lamps	"	44	4
"	721	721 - 03	Bulbs, arc lamps & tubes for electric lighting N.E.S. ©	"	34	34
"	721	721 - 04	Radio apparatus	Number	2,946	850
"	721	721 - 05	Apparatus for telephony & telegraphy	M/Tons	16	203
"	721	721 - 06	Electric domestic appliances	"	27	225
"	721	721 - 07	Electric appliances for vehicles	"	14	224
"	721	721 - 08	Apparatus for measuring & controlling energy	"	7	125
"	721	721 - 11	Electric apparatus for medical purposes	"	1	20
"	721	721 - 12	Portable electric domestic appliances	"	28	284
"	721	721 - 12	Portable electric tools	"	8	105
"	721	721 - 13	Insulated cable & wire for electricity	"	133	894
"	721	721 - 19	Electrical machinery, apparatus & appliances N.E.S. ©	"	369	3,034
Transport Equipment						
73	731	731 - 01&03	Parts of tramway & railway locomotives			770
"	731	731 - 03	Tramway locomotives, except steam and electric	Number	2	231

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SECTION 7 MACHINERY AND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT (continued)						
Transport Equipment (continued)						
73	731	731 - 06	Tramway cars	M/Tons	41	55
"	731	731 - 07	Parts of railway rolling stock	"	25	160
"	731	731 - 07	Parts of tramway rolling stock	"	107	318
"	732	732 - 01	Motor cars	Number	959	6,194
"	732	732 - 02	Motor cycles	"	57	63
"	732	732 - 03	Buses, trucks, lorries	"	96	883
"	732	732 - 05	Motor chassis	"	137	1,940
"	732	732 - 06	Bodies, chassis, frames & other parts for motor vehicles	M/Tons	221	2,077
"	733	733 - 01	Bicycles	Number	4,358	574
"	733	733 - 02	Parts of bicycles	M/Tons	30	168
"	733	733 - 09	Road vehicles including trailers U.S.S.®	"		
"	734	734 - 03	Parts of aircraft & parts thereof	M/Tons	1	153
"	735	735 - 02	Ships & boats of gross tonnage	Number	1	239
"	735	735 - 09	Ships & boats N.E.S.	"		4,000
						196
SECTION 8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES						
81	811	811 - 01	Prefabricated buildings & parts	M/Tons	95	16,303
"	812	812 - 02 & 03	Sinks, washbasins, bidets, etc.	"		225
"	812	812 - 04	Lighting fixtures of all materials	M/Tons	24	450
Furniture and Fixtures						
82	821	821 - 01	Wood furniture & fixtures	"		371
"	821	821 - 02	Metal furniture & fixtures	"		1,212
"	821	821 - 09	Furniture & fixtures of rattan	"		31
"	821	821 - 09	Furniture & fixtures N.E.S. ●	"		183

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SECTION 8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES (continued)						
Travel Goods, Hand Bags and similar articles						
83	831	831 - 01	Travel goods of all materials			84
"	831	831 - 02	Handbags, wallets, purses, etc.			145
Clothing						
84	841	841 - 01	Stockings & hose	000 pairs	458	462
"	841	841 - 02 & 04	Pyjamas			70
"	841	841 - 02 & 04	Underwear			253
"	841	841 - 03 & 05	Outwear			441
"	841	841 - 05	Shirts	000	283	637
"	841	841 - 06	Leather coats & other leather clothing	Number	110	3
"	841	841 - 07	Clothing of impermeable materials	000	5	95
"	841	841 - 08 & 11	Hats	"	80	294
"	841	841 - 11	Caps	"	34	39
"	841	841 - 12	Gloves & Mittens	Pairs	3,539	12
"	841	841 - 19	Handkerchiefs @	000	476	225
"	841	841 - 19	Clothing N.E.S. @			939
Footwear						
85	851	851 - 01	Slippers & house footwear of all materials except rubber	000 pairs	13	77
"	851	851 - 02	Footwear wholly or mainly of leather	"	68	635
"	851	851 - 03	Footwear wholly or mainly of textile materials (excluding canvas shoes)	"	3	16

@ Not elsewhere specified.

DETAILS OF IMPORTED MERCHANDISE (continued)

Division No.	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional title description	Unit	Quantity	Value C.I.F. Unit = Rs 1000
SECTION 3 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES (continued)						
Footwear (continued)						
35	351	351 - 04	Rubber footwear (including canvas shoes)	000 pairs	266	1,701
"	351	351 - 05	Footwear N.E.S. @			1
Professional, Scientific & Controlling Instruments, Photographic & Optical Goods, Matches and Clocks						
36	361	361 - 01	Optical instruments and appliances			105
"	361	361 - 02	Cinematograph projectors			275
"	361	361 - 02	Photographic & cinematographic apparatus N.E.S. @			135
"	361	361 - 03	Surgical, Medical & dental instruments & appliances N.E.S. @			96
"	361	361 - 09	Measuring, controlling and scientific instruments N.E.S. @			570
"	362	362 - 01	Films, plates & paper for photography			103
"	362	362 - 02	Cinematographic films not exposed			11
"	362	362 - 03	Chemical products for use in photography	M/Tons	2	10
"	363	363 - 01	Cinematographic films exposed	000 metres	1,435	320
"	364	364 - 01	Matches	000	16	315
"	364	364 - 02	Clocks	"	13	130
Miscellaneous Manufactured Articles N.E.S. @						
39	391	391 - 01	Phonographs	M/Tons	2	163
"	391	391 - 02	Phonograph records	000	60	176
"	391	391 - 03&09	Musical Instruments N.E.S. @			137
"	392	392 - 09	Commercial publicity material			104
"	392	392 - 09	Books, publications and documents			14
"	392	392 - 09	Printed matter on paper or cardboard N.E.S. @			579
"	399	399 - 01	Candles	M/Tons	103	165
"	399	399 - 01	Tapers			60
"	399	399 - 02	Matches	000 gross boxes	74	247
"	399	399 - 03	Umbrellas & parasols			56

DETAILS OF IMPORTED MERCHANDISE (continued)

Division No.	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional title description	Unit	Quantity	Value C.I.F. Unit=Rs 1000
SECTION 8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES (continued)						
Miscellaneous Manufactured Articles N.E.S.® (continued)						
89	899	899 - 04	Artificial flowers & prepared ornaments			19
"	899	899 - 05	Buttons & studs			121
"	899	899 - 06	Fancy carved articles			3
"	899	899 - 07	Table & other household articles made of plastic			15
"	899	899 - 08	Refrigerators	Number	525	486
"	899	899 - 11	Articles made of plastic N.E.S.®			201
"	899	899 - 12	Articles of basketwork or of wickerwork N.E.S.®			19
"	899	899 - 13	Brooms & brushes			185
"	899	899 - 14	Sports goods except arms & ammunition			256
"	899	899 - 15	Playing cards			27
"	899	899 - 15	Baby carriages	Number	228	20
"	899	899 - 15	Toys & games N.E.S.®			593
"	899	899 - 16	Fountain pens & pencil holders			175
"	899	899 - 17	Office supplies (not paper) N.E.S.®			147
"	899	899 - 18	Pipes, cigar holders & cigarette holders			6
"	899	899 - 21	Works of art & collectors' pieces			12
"	899	899 - 99	Mechanical lighters			4
"	899	899 - 99	Manufactured articles N.E.S.®			782
SECTION 9 MISCELLANEOUS TRANSACTIONS AND COMMODITIES N.E.S.®						
Postal Packages						
91	911	911 - 01	Postal packages			222
Live Animals not for Food						
92	921	921 - 09	Live animals (not for food)	Number	1,057	19

® Not elsewhere specified.

DETAILS OF IMPORTED MERCHANDISE (continued)

Division No.	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional title description	Unit	Quantity	Value C.I.F. Unit = Rs 1000
SECTION 9 MISCELLANEOUS TRANSACTIONS AND COMMODITIES N.E.S.® (continued)						
Returned Goods and Special Transactions						
93	931	931 - 02	Baggage and personal effects			193
G O L D						
A	A	A - 3	Gold sheets			100

SUMMARY OF IMPORTS* IN VALUE

Section No.	Description	Value C. I. F. Unit = Rs 1000
SITC 0	Food	79,127
1	Beverages and Tobacco	6,025
2	Crude Materials, Inedible, except Fuels	6,593
3	Mineral Fuels, Lubricants and related materials	10,231
4	Animal and Vegetable Oils and Fats	5,316
5	Chemicals	27,864
6	Manufactured Goods Classified chiefly by Material	60,476
7	Machinery and Transport Equipment	41,315
8	Miscellaneous Manufactured Articles	16,303
9	Miscellaneous Transactions and Commodities N.E.S.®	222
A	Gold	100
Grand Total		254,572

NOTE: Returned Goods amounting to Rs 221,791 included in Imports.

* Including Imports by the Colonial Government. ® Not elsewhere specified.

DETAILS OF EXPORTED MERCHANDISE (including RE-EXPORTS) 1955

Exports of domestic produce are indicated by +

Division No.	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional title description	Unit	Quantity	Value F.O.B. Unit = Rs 1000
SECTION 10 FOOD						
Fish and Fish Preparations						
03	031	031 - 03	Crustacea & molluscs	M/Tons	1.6	1
Cereals and Cereal Preparations						
04	048	048 - 01	Bakery products	"	0.5	1
Fruits and Vegetables						
05	051	051 - 01	Oranges	"	15	20
"	054	054 - 09	Suran, Sweet Potatoes and other Vegetables N.E.S. @	"	197	94
Sugar and sugar preparations						
06	061	061 - 01	Sugar not refined +	"	474,531	237,029
"	061	061 - 02	Sugar refined +	"	326	304
"	061	061 - 03	Molasses inedible +	"	53,957	2,940
Coffee, Tea, Cocoa, Spices and Manufactures thereof						
07	074	074 - 01	Tea +	"	176	946

@ Not elsewhere specified.

DETAILS OF EXPORTED MERCHANDISE (including RE-EXPORTS) (continued)

Division No.	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional title description	Unit	Quantity	Value F.O.B. Unit = Rs 1000
SECTION 0 FOOD (continued)						
<u>Miscellaneous Food preparations</u>						
09	099	099 - 09	Food preparations N.T.S. ©			2
SECTION 1 BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO						
<u>Alcoholic Beverages</u>						
11	112	112 - 01 & 04	Alcoholic beverages			48
<u>Tobacco and Tobacco Manufactures</u>						
12	121	121 - 01	Tobacco unmanufactured +	M/Tons	7	26
SECTION 2 CRUDE MATERIALS, INEDIBLE, EXCEPT FUELS						
<u>Hides, Skins, and Fur Skins undressed</u>						
21	211	211 - 01, 04 & 09	Hides & Skins undressed	M/Tons	44	31
<u>Wood Shaped or Simply Worked</u>						
24	243	243 - 01 & 03	Lumber (including sleepers) sawn or planed			1
<u>Textile Fibres not manufactured into yarn, thread or fabric and waste</u>						
26	265	265 - 04	Aloe Fibre +	"	136	100

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DETAILS OF EXPORTED MERCHANDISE (including RE-EXPORTS) (continued)

Division No.	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional title description	Unit	Quantity	Value F.O.B. Unit = Rs 1000
SECTION 2 CRUDE MATERIALS, INEDIBLE, EXCEPT FUELS (continued)						
<u>Metalliferous Ores and Metal Scrap</u>						
28	282	282 - 01	Iron & Steel scrap	M/Tons	1,310	661
"	284	284 - 01	Non-ferrous metal scrap	"	559	814
"	285	285 - 02	Ores of platinum	"		2
<u>Animal and Vegetable Crude Materials N.E.S. ©</u>						
29	291	291 - 01	Animal Crude Material N.E.S. ©			1
SECTION 3 MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED PRODUCTS						
<u>Coal, coke and Briquettes</u>						
31	311	311 - 01	Coal	M/Tons	193	22
<u>Mineral Fuels, Lubricants and Related Products</u>						
31	313	313 - 02	Petroleum lamp oil	Rectol	502	27
"	313	313 - 04	Lubricating oils	"	20	2
SECTION 4 ANIMAL AND VEGETABLE OILS AND FATS						
41	412	412 - 07	Cocount oil	M/Tons	0.3	0.4
SECTION 5 CHEMICALS						
<u>Chemical Elements and Compounds</u>						
51	512	512 - 02	Ethyl alcohol +	Rectol	295	35
						23

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DETAILS OF EXPORTED MERCHANDISE (including RE-EXPORTS) (continued)

Division No.	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional title description	Unit	Quantity	Value F.O.B. Unit = Rs 1000
SECTION 5 CHEMICALS (continued)						
Pigments, paints, varnishes and related materials						
53	533	533 - 03	Prepared paints			2
Essential Oils and Perfume Materials, Polishing and Cleansing Preparations						
55	552	552 - 01	Perfumery and other toilet preparations except soap			1
Miscellaneous Chemical Materials and Products						
59	599	599 - 09	Chemical materials N.E.S. ©			9
SECTION 6 MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHEFELY BY MATERIAL						
Leather, leather manufactures N.E.S.© and dressed furs						
61	611	611 - 01	Leather			1
"	612	612 - 03	Manufactures of leather N.E.S. ©			2
Rubber Manufactured Articles N.E.S. ©						
62	629	629 - 01	Rubber tyres and tubes			1
Textile Yarn, Fabrics and Made-up articles and Related Products						
65	653	653 - 02	Woolen and worsted fabrics			1
"	655	655 - 06	Cordage, etc. and manufactures thereof			2
"	656	656 - 01	Bags & sacks for packing	000	446	340
"	657	657 - 03	Carpets and Rugs			5
Non-Metallic Mineral Manufactures, N.E.S. ©						
66	665	665 - 01 to 09	Glassware			1

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DETAILS OF EXPORTED MERCHANDISE (including RE-EXPORTS) (continued)

Division No.	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional title description	Unit	Quantity	Value F.O.B. Unit = Rs 1000
SECTION 6 MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL (continued)						
Silver, Platinum, Gems and Jewellery						
67	673	673 - 01	Jewellery, Goldsmiths' & Silversmiths' wares			11
Base Metals						
68	682	682 - 02	Brass and alloys of copper	M/Tons	11	39
"	685	685 - 02	Lead sheets, pipes and tubes	"	3	1
Manufactures of Metals N.E.S. ©						
69	699	699 - 01	Finished structural parts of iron & steel	"	3	7
"	699	699 - 21	Metal containers	"	7	6
"	699	699 - 29	Manufactured goods N.E.S. ©	"	-	18
SECTION 7 MACHINERY AND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT						
Machinery other than electric						
71	711	711 - 03	Steam engines and parts			2
"	711	711 - 05	Diesel engines and parts			3
"	713	713 - 01	Agricultural tractors	M/Tons	1	18
"	714	714 - 01	Typewriters	Unit	12	4
"	714	714 - 02	Calculating machines	"	2	3
"	716	716 - 11	Air conditioning and refrigerating equipment	M/Tons	1	3
"	716	716 - 13	Machinery and appliances N.E.S. ©	"	2	17
"	716	716 - 15	Machine parts and accessories N.E.S. ©	"	7	31
Electric Machinery, Apparatus and Appliances						
72	721	721 - 19	Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances			27
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DETAILS OF EXPORTED MERCHANDISE (including RE-EXPORTS) (continued)

Division No.	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional title description	Unit	Quantity	Value F.O.B. Unit = Rs 1000
SECTION 7 MACHINERY AND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT (continued)						
<u>Transport equipment</u>						
73	732	732 - 01	Motor cars	Number	9	58
"	732	732 - 06	Motor chassis	M/Tons	0.1	2
"	734	734 - 03	Parts of aircraft	"	0.6	65
SECTION 8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES						
<u>Clothing</u>						
84	841	841 - 05	Shirts	Number	552	1
<u>Footwear</u>						
85	851	851 - 04	Rubber footwear	000 pairs	2	8
<u>Scientific, Medical, Optical, Measuring and Controlling Instruments and Apparatus</u>						
86	861	861 - 02	Photographic and cinematographic apparatus and appliances			3
"	863	863 - 01	Cinematographic films exposed	000 Metres	1093	411

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DETAILS OF EXPORTED MERCHANDISE (including RE-EXPORTS) (continued)

Division No.	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional title description	Unit	Quantity	Value F.O.B. Unit = Rs 1000
SECTION 8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES (continued)						
<u>Miscellaneous Manufactured Articles N.E.S. ②</u>						
89	892	892 - 01	Books and pamphlets			5
"	892	892 - 02	Newspapers and periodicals		2	3
"	892	892 - 04	Pictures and designs	M/Tons		1
"	892	892 - 09	Printed matter on cardboard and paper N.E.S. ②			4
"	899	899 - 15	Toys and Games			3
"	899	899 - 99	Manufactured articles N.E.S. ②			11
SECTION 9 MISCELLANEOUS TRANSACTIONS AND COMMODITIES N.E.S. ②						
<u>Postal Packages</u>						
91	911	911 - 01	Postal packages			649
<u>Returned Goods and special Transactions</u>						
93	931	931 - 01	Returned goods			222
"	931	931 - 02	Baggage			226
S I L V E R						
	B	B - 2	Silver Coins	M/Tons		NIL
						NIL

② Not elsewhere specified.

SUMMARY OF EXPORTS IN VALUE

Section No.	Description	Value F.O.B. Unit = Rs 1000
SITC 0	Food	241,357
1	Beverages and Tobacco	74
2	Crude Materials, Inedible, except Fuels	1,610
3	Mineral Fuels, Lubricants and related materials	51
4	Animal and Vegetable Oils & Fats	-
5	Chemicals	35
6	Manufactured Goods classified chiefly by material	435
7	Machinery and Transport Equipment	233
8	Miscellaneous Manufactured Articles	450
9	Miscellaneous Transactions and Commodities N.E.S.®	649
B	Silver	Nil
	Grand Total	244,894

NOTE :- Returned Goods amounting to Rs 221,791 included in Exports.

Value of Preference Certificates on Sugar amounting to Rs 6,372,333 excluded from Exports.

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DOMESTIC TRADE

The following table gives a summary of imports from and exports to the Dependencies + of Mauritius during the year 1955 :

Section No.	Divisional title description	In Rupees	
		Imports	Exports
SITC 0	Food	1,538,654	1,260,979
1	Beverages and Tobacco	123	684,689
2	Crude Materials, Inedible except Fuels	969,732	131,041
3	Mineral Fuels, Lubricants and related materials	2,520	64,318
4	Animal and Vegetable Oils and Fats	Nil	144,770
5	Chemicals	18,823	189,546
6	Manufactured Goods classified chiefly by material	987	857,300
7	Machinery and Transport	Nil	117,158
8	Miscellaneous Manufactured Articles	1,935	278,327
9	Miscellaneous Transactions and Commodities N.E.S.®	11,045	34,486
B	Silver Coins and current notes	Nil	Nil
	Total	2,543,867	3,763,114

+ Rodrigues, Chagos Archipelago, Agalega, St Brandon.

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SUGAR SALES 1940 - 1955

In Metric tons

Crop Years	SUGAR EXPORTED		LOCAL SALES		Total Sales
	White Sugar		Raw Sugar	White Sugar	
	Raw Sugar	White Sugar	Raw Sugar	White Sugar	
1940	276,403	27,433	-	10,941	314,777
1941	276,308	34,093	-	12,640	323,041
1942	261,484	52,444	3,243	11,652	323,823
1943	259,298	20,843	12,543	7,196	307,885
1944	154,962	23,675	6,794	13,314	198,745
1945	117,073	3,590	7,670	10,160	138,493
1946	244,473	27,192	7,139	12,104	290,958
1947	310,310	18,379	7,999	10,899	347,587
1948	365,848	7,449	7,036	11,018	391,351
1949	396,865	-	7,484	11,601	415,950
1950	434,901	-	9,220	12,570	456,691
1951	464,143	-	6,925	11,018	484,086
1952	444,353	4,520	6,823	12,587	468,283
1953	490,166	51	8,373	13,633	512,225
1954	476,503	30	7,230	14,979	498,742
1955	508,685	2,119	5,717	16,820	533,341

SALES PROCEEDS OF SUGAR PER METRIC TON

PRICES

Crop Year	C.I.F. Value Rs per M/Ton	F.O.B. Value Rs per M/Ton	Value of special colonial preference Rs per M/Ton	Total export value Rs per M/Ton	Index (1938 = 100)	Local sales value Rs per M/Ton	Index (1938 = 100)	Total sales value Rs per M/Ton	Index (1938 = 100)
1938 - 39	137.92	115.05	15.99	131.03	100	160.93	100	132.27	100
1939 - 40	147.68	127.46	22.77	150.23	115	160.95	100	151.33	114
1940 - 41	172.87	151.63	16.46	163.09	123	179.73	112	169.18	123
1941 - 42	173.70	152.45	15.98	168.43	129	179.33	112	169.32	123
1942 - 43	202.86	181.05	15.62	196.67	150	189.48	113	196.80	149
1943 - 44	202.89	180.95	17.28	193.26	151	168.23	105	196.72	149
1944 - 45	252.53	230.06	27.75	257.81	197	221.50	133	255.24	193
1945 - 46	360.10	337.80	40.49	378.29	239	245.28	152	362.20	274
1946 - 47	291.99	269.74	18.21	237.95	220	291.41	181	288.84	218
1947 - 48	343.05	320.53	14.82	335.35	256	341.62	212	336.18	254
1948 - 49	363.33	340.63	13.00	353.68	270	355.60	221	354.56	263
1949 - 50	387.21	364.94	12.18	377.12	283	370.51	230	377.34	285
1950 - 51	424.55	401.34	12.09	413.43	313	359.91	224	411.75	311
1951 - 52	478.24	454.04	11.95	465.99	356	356.75	222	463.24	350
1952 - 53	513.20	497.78	14.63	513.40	392	359.85	230	507.45	384
1953 - 54	549.27	523.78	17.25	541.86	414	365.96	227	534.31	404
1954 - 55	530.91	505.73	19.82	526.31	402	372.87	232	519.48	393

+ Including Canadian Pool.

The whole of the sugar production of the Colony is at present sold through the medium of the Mauritius Sugar Syndicate, so that all producers are receiving the same average price per ton. The Syndicate makes no charge for its services, beyond the bare cost of salaries and office expenses. The Syndicate does not handle the sale of alcohol or any other by-products of the Sugar Industry.

Raw sugar in excess of 99° polarisation is liable to a higher customs' duty in the United Kingdom and in Canada than sugar exceeding 98° to a maximum of 99°. Out of the saleable sugar crop, a guaranteed quota of 356,000 metric tons is sold to the United Kingdom Ministry of Food according to the terms of the Commonwealth Sugar Agreement, and the balance is sold on the World Market. On sugar sold to the Ministry of Food, the Syndicate is only responsible for freight at pre-war rate, the Ministry of Food paying all difference. The Syndicate is, on the other hand, responsible for effecting the Marine Insurance on all exported sugar.

The sale of sugar on the overseas market is liable to a local Merchant's Commission at the rate of 2/3% of the c.i.f. value, and also to a Broker's Commission of 1/3% on sugar sold to the Ministry of Food and 1/2% on sugar sold on the World Market. The following table gives in relative proportions the cost of these services per ton of sugar sold on the foreign Market :-

	CROP YEAR					
	1952 - 1953		1953 - 1954		1954 - 1955	
	Rs	%	Rs	%	Rs	%
Freight	16.00	63.2	21.94	75.6	21.81	76.2
Insurance	1.95	7.7	1.63	5.6	1.49	5.2
London Brokerage	2.47	9.8	1.92	6.6	1.88	6.6
Shippers' Commission	4.90	19.3	3.53	12.2	3.43	12.0
Total	25.32	100.0	29.02	100.0	28.61	100.0

Brokerage and commission are also payable by producers to Port Louis brokers through whom the Syndicate distributes the proceeds but this is not considered to be a marketing expense in the proper sense.

MARKETING CHARGES FOR OVERSEAS SALES

(% of total value^① of crop exported)

1952 - 1953

4.8

CROP YEAR

1953 - 1954

5.1

1954 - 1955

5.2

① C.I.F. Value

+ Value of Preference Certificates.

EXTERNAL TRADE

Metric Tons

GROSS FREIGHT TONNAGE OF EXPORTS AND IMPORTS - 1955

Period ending	Imports	Exports	Total exports & imports
9/1	4,551	14,582	19,133
16/1	10,296	174	10,470
23/1	13,405	5,376	18,781
30/1	6,021	18,766	24,787
6/2	3,740	388	4,128
13/2	5,930	18,289	24,169
20/2	8,044	18,439	26,483
27/2	10,489	197	10,686
6/3	5,258	9,465	14,723
13/3	6,415	137	6,552
20/3	6,425	4,562	10,987
27/3	2,290	188	2,478
3/4	2,337	9,631	11,968
10/4	4,340	101	4,441
17/4	7,095	83	7,178
24/4	5,922	145	6,067
1/5	5,955	12,942	18,897
8/5	5,755	121	5,876
15/5	13,952	1,115	15,067
22/5	11,565	1,833	13,398
29/5	4,440	319	4,759
5/6	3,283	736	4,019
12/6	7,217	1,671	8,888
19/6	12,565	428	12,993
26/6	12,634	138	12,772
3/7	12,459	132	12,591
10/7	1,993	129	2,122
17/7	11,698	9,542	21,240
24/7	2,431	9,218	11,649
31/7	11,660	421	12,081
7/8	6,762	20,070	26,832
14/8	1,452	9,876	11,328
21/8	6,636	19,730	26,366
28/8	4,244	18,028	22,272
4/9	5,480	18,996	24,476
11/9	11,638	26,400	38,038
18/9	1,992	26,544	28,536
25/9	13,004	5,449	18,453
2/10	2,871	8,386	11,257
9/10	11,472	33,781	45,253
16/10	2,658	33,899	36,557
23/10	3,387	20,053	23,420
30/10	12,771	48,887	61,658
6/11	4,863	10,755	15,618
13/11	3,231	328	3,559
20/11	6,043	10,682	16,725
27/11	8,728	19,292	28,020
4/12	2,844	13,645	16,489
11/12	3,846	5,421	9,267
18/12	17,740	16,987	34,727
25/12	7,517	22,448	29,965
31/12	403	14,589	14,992
Total	359,727	543,964	903,691
Total imports from and exports to dependencies	6,550	5,199	11,749
Grand Total of exports & imports	366,277	549,163	915,440

The gross freight tonnage is computed according to actual weight in case of heavy goods and in case of light goods according to bulk at the conversion rate of 1,000 kgs per 40 cu. feet.

Number of persons in possession of a licence to exercise under
the various trades

ISIC ⁺		Number
01	Agriculture & Livestock Production	1
19	Non-metallic mining and quarrying not elsewhere classified	9
20	Food manufacturing industries, except beverage industries	5
21	Beverage industries	56
22	Tobacco manufactures	2
28	Printing, publishing and allied industries	43
29	Manufacture of leather and leather products, except footwear	8
31	Manufacture of chemicals and chemical products	14
33	Manufacture of non-metallic mineral products except products of petroleum and coal	50
34	Basic metal industries	116
35	Manufacture of metal products, except machinery and transport equipment	12
38	Manufacture of transport equipment	67
39	Miscellaneous manufacturing industries	169
40	Construction	63
52	Water and sanitary services	7
61	Wholesale and retail trade	10,123
62	Banks and other financial institutions	7
63	Insurance	77
64	Real estate	99
71	Transport	49
72	Storage and warehousing	36
82	Community and business services	122
83	Recreation services	94
84	Personal services	1,846
	Total	13,075

+ International Standard Industrial Classification.

CONSUMERS' PRICE INDEXES 1955Basic period :- 1948 = 100

Month	Class : Manual Workers	Clerical Class	Executive Class	Administrative Class
January	131	129	129	129
February	134	131	130	130
March	136	132	132	131
April	135	131	131	130
May	131	130	130	130
June	129	128	128	128
July	127	127	127	128
August	127	127	127	128
September	128	127	127	128
October	127	126	126	128
November	127	126	126	128
December	128	127	127	128

Range of monthly Household expenditure

Manual Workers	:	Up to Rs 300
Clerical Class	:	Up to Rs 550
Executive Class	:	Rs 550 - Rs 1000
Administrative Class	:	Over Rs 1000

The above indexes are based on the findings of a new survey of household expenditure effected at the beginning of 1952.

COMPARATIVE RETAIL MARKET PRICES IN 1948 AND IN 1955

1. FOOD (a) Grains and cereals comprising rice, maize, flour, lentils, dholi and beans.

Commodity	Unit of Quantity	1948		1955	
		Maximum Rs	Minimum Rs	Maximum Rs	Minimum Rs
Flour	kg.	0.50(c)	0.52(c)	0.74(c)	0.60(c)
Bread	200 grms.	0.13(c)	0.12(c)	0.18(c)	0.17(c)
Biscuits (Local)	100	1.00	0.80	1.50	1.00
Biscuits (imp.)	½ kg.	4.00	2.50	4.25	3.00
Rice (imported)	kg.	0.70(c)	0.62(c)	1.05	0.64(c)
Paddy	"	1.40	0.60	0.70	0.60
Maize rice	"	0.50	0.50	0.60	0.60
Macaroni (local)	"	0.98	0.98	1.52	1.10
Macaroni (imp.)	"	1.80	1.76	2.40	2.00
Vermicelli (local)	"	0.98	0.98	1.60	1.10
Lentils black	"	0.62	0.62	0.80	0.50
Dholi (imp.):					
Toovar	"	1.50	1.00	0.90	0.70
Gram	"	1.00	1.00	0.80	0.70
Split peas	"	0.92	0.92	1.10	0.75
Beans broad	"	0.60	0.60	0.90	0.60
Beans haricot	"			3.00	1.20

1. FOOD (b) Meat, fish, eggs, poultry etc.

Beef - fresh	kg.	2.50(c)	1.40(c)	4.50	3.00
Beef - salted	"	3.20	2.40	4.40	4.00
Corned beef	12 ozs.	1.15	1.06	2.00	1.80
Corned mutton	"	1.00	0.99	1.56	1.56
Sausages pork (fresh)	kg.	6.00	5.60	5.60	5.00
Sausages pork (canned)	12 ozs.	2.48	1.25	2.60	2.25
Sausages beef (canned)	"	2.00	1.20	2.50	2.00
Goat & mutton (fresh)	kg.	1.20	1.20	4.50	4.00
Pork - fresh	"	5.60	4.60	6.00	4.50
Pork - salted	"	4.40	3.60	5.50	4.00
Fish - fresh	"	1.60	0.60	2.95	1.30
Fish - salted	"	1.10	1.10	2.00	1.40
Sardines in oil	4 ozs.	0.82	0.40	0.60	0.50
Salmon	16 ozs.	1.82	1.47	3.00	1.75
Herrings	"	1.30	1.04	1.10	0.90
Bombas	kg.	2.10	1.90	3.20	2.40
Snock	"	2.00	1.50	3.00	2.00
Prawns	"	5.36	4.24	6.40	6.00
Eggs	unit	0.22	0.17	0.30	0.22
Poultry	kg.	6.00	3.60	6.50	5.00
Ham uncooked	"	3.50	2.50	10.00	8.00
Ham boiled	"	6.60	5.00	16.80	15.00
Salami	"	2.25	1.75	8.00	6.40
Bacon	"	3.75	3.25	7.40	6.00
Lamb Tongue (canned)	12 ozs.	1.40	1.40	1.75	1.50
Sheep tongue (canned)	"	1.40	1.40	1.75	1.50

1. FOOD (d) Cooking oils, curry stuffs and fats (ghee, lard, oil, vegetable fat), vinegar, salt etc.

Commodity	Unit of Quantity	1948		1955	
		Maximum Rs	Minimum Rs	Maximum Rs	Minimum Rs
Coconut oil refined	litre	1.50(c)	1.25(c)	1.75(c)	1.50(c)
Groundnut oil	"	1.50(c)	1.25(c)	2.00(c)	1.40(c)
Salad oil	"	5.00	5.00	3.07	2.80
Olive oil (Plagniol)	"	16.16	12.00	5.00	5.00
Lard	kg.	4.92	3.08	3.00	2.50
Ghee, vegetable	"	4.84	3.80	2.80	2.80
Ghee, animal	"	5.64	5.46	8.26	7.71
Vinegar (Local)	litre	0.65	0.60	0.69	0.69
Vinegar (imported)	"	2.33	2.33	2.53	1.15
Salt fine	kg.	0.12	0.12	0.20	0.18
Curry stuff	"	2.00	1.60	2.40	2.20
Curry powder	"	5.40	2.80	2.80	2.40
Jam	1½ lbs.	1.55	1.30	1.75	1.60
Orange marmalade	2 lbs.	0.75	0.75	2.00	1.75
Yorkshire sauce	jar	1.50	1.50	1.40	1.25
Tomato sauce	1 lb	1.60	1.60	1.72	1.72

1. FOOD (e) Butter, cheese, sugar and beverages (tea, coffee, milk, etc.)

Tea (local)	kg.	5.60	4.80	7.16	6.50
Tea (imp.)	"	8.80	5.66	12.11	10.79
Sugar, white	"	0.44(c)	0.39(c)	0.46(c)	0.43(c)
Sugar, raw	"	0.30(c)	0.30(c)	0.32(c)	0.30(c)
Coffee	"	1.30	1.30	5.04	3.20
Cocoa	"	4.48	2.48	6.61	6.05
Chocolate.	"	7.00	2.56	11.43	7.00
Butter (imp.)	"	5.59	4.46	7.06	6.91
Margarine	32 ozs.	2.83	2.80	2.75	2.35
Cheese (imp.)	kg.	4.10	3.26	6.00	5.60
Milk, whole	litre	0.40	0.38	0.50	0.45
Milk, condensed	14 ozs.	0.90	0.66	1.00	1.00

1. FOOD (f) Wines and Spirits

Soda Water	½ bottle	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.15
Lemonade	"	0.20	0.15	0.20	0.16
Wine (local)	bottle	1.50	0.60	1.10	0.50
Wine (imp.)	"	4.50	1.50	4.25	1.50
Beer	"	2.01	1.42	1.60	1.25
Ale	"	1.25	1.25	1.60	1.50
Porter	"	2.24	1.85	2.00	1.80
Brandy	"	11.00	8.50	13.50	10.50
Rum	litre	6.00	4.00	6.25	5.75
Whisky	bottle	9.05	8.78	18.50	14.00

2. CLOTHING AND GARMENTS

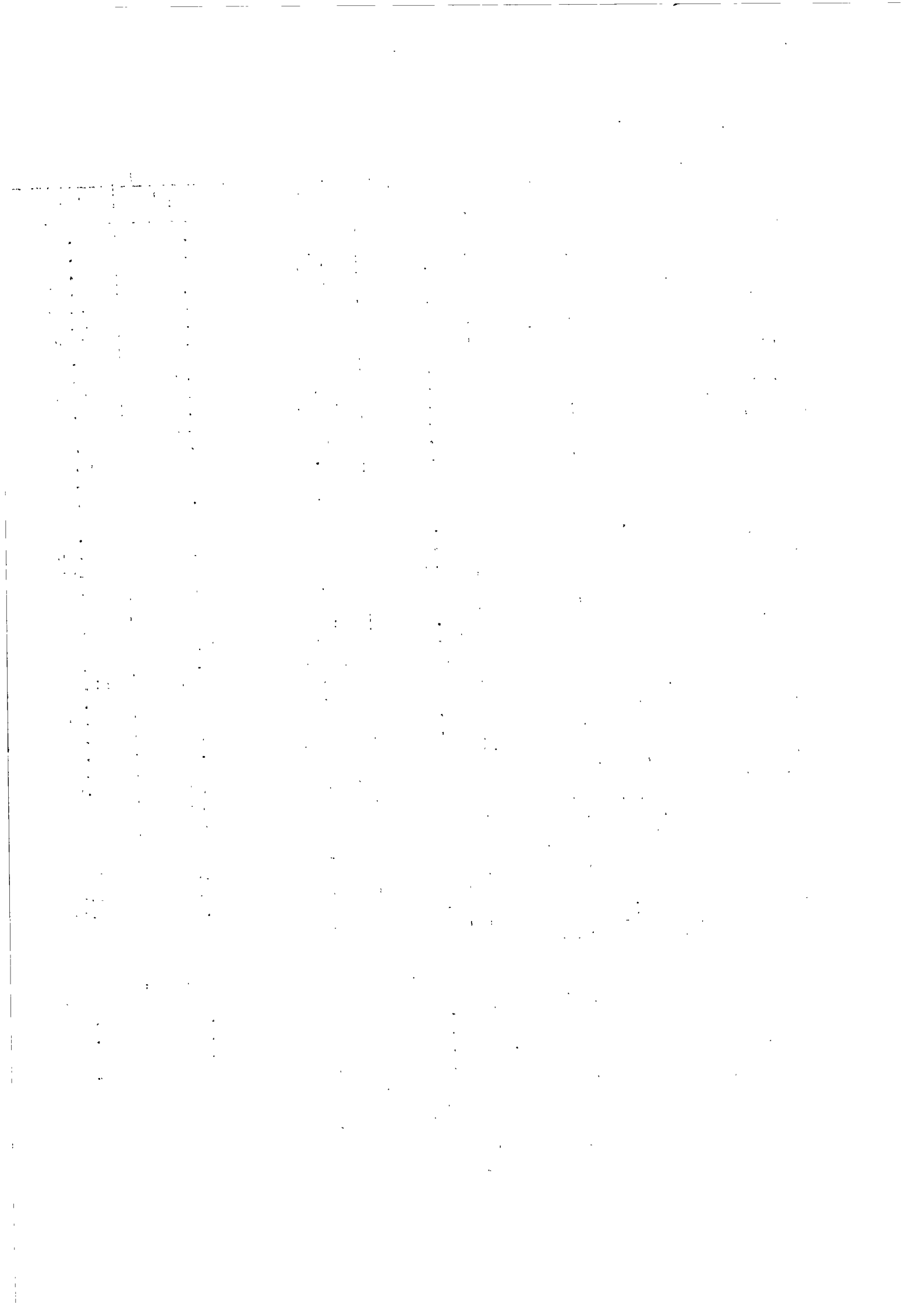
Men's hats, felt	unit	33.00	5.00	27.50	8.00
Women's hats	"	30.00	12.00	15.00	9.00
Women's hats, straw	"	25.00	12.00	20.00	8.00
Helmets, ord.qual.	"	9.00	5.00	10.25	8.00
Helmets, sup.qual.	"	27.00	18.00	30.00	18.00
Bonnets (tweed caps)	"	3.25	2.00	3.00	2.50
Bonnets (topes)	"	12.25	3.50	18.00	4.50

2. CLOTHING AND GARMENTS (continued)

Commodity	Unit of Quantity	1948		1955	
		Maximum Rs	Minimum Rs	Maximum Rs	Minimum Rs
Sarees	unit	12.36	9.27	15.00	6.00
Handkerchiefs	"	1.50	0.50	1.75	0.85
Drill, white	metre	3.35	1.30	3.25	2.25
Drill, khaki	"	3.45	2.21	3.25	2.25
Mattress cloth	"	5.50	1.66	3.75	1.50
Serge	"	26.00	18.07	27.00	8.00
Mosquito netting	"	6.75	2.50	7.50	5.50
Silk material	"	4.09	1.26	5.00	1.00
Twood	"	26.75	12.32	22.00	7.00
Lining material	"	3.50	0.60	1.68	1.68
Flannel	"	30.45	11.93	22.00	8.00
Regatta	"	1.50	0.75	2.50	0.75
Prints (Indienne)	"	2.60	1.25	1.65	0.65
Shirting - grey	"	2.90	1.85	1.00	0.57
Shirting - white	"	2.70	1.40	2.00	0.90
Shirts (local)	unit	12.00	3.00	8.50	1.75
Shirts (imp.)	"	19.00	7.50	29.75	5.50
Towels (ord.qual.)	"	4.50	0.75	3.00	0.85
Towels, bath	"	6.00	2.71	11.00	4.00
Socks, cotton	pair	3.70	0.75	3.00	1.00
Socks, woollen	"	4.25	2.50	12.00	7.00
Stockings, silk (for laides)	"	8.50	1.50	3.00	2.50
Blankets, cotton	unit	12.00	4.00	9.00	5.00
Blankets, woollen	"	52.00	20.00	75.00	37.00
Shoes, Men's	pair	36.80	14.00	40.00	11.00
Shoes, Women's	"	30.00	9.00	35.00	11.00
Shoes, Children's	"	16.00	4.00	20.00	6.00
Shoes, canvas	"	5.50	2.50	8.00	3.75
Sewing thread, cotton	300 yds.	0.63	0.47	0.83	0.83
Sewing thread D.M.C.	50 grms.	1.83	1.20	2.25	2.25
Knitting wool	kg.	29.22	16.00	34.00	16.00
Neckties inf.qual.	unit	3.75	2.25	3.50	1.75
Neckties, sup.qual.	"	7.50	4.00	12.00	5.00
Men's underwear (singlets)	"	3.50	1.25	4.25	1.50
Pullovers	"	20.00	3.50	15.00	7.00
Dhotees	"	10.00	6.50	7.50	5.50
Tussor, inf.qual.	metre	3.75	2.50	3.75	1.90
Tussor, sup. qual.	"	12.00	8.50	7.50	4.50

3. FUEL					
Kerosene	litre	0.45(c)	0.39(c)	0.71(c)	0.70(c)
Denatured spirits	"	0.40	0.35	0.80	0.40
Power alcohol	"	0.46	0.45	0.90	0.50
Motor spirit	Imp.gal.	2.47	2.20	2.30	2.20
Charcoal	kg.	0.20	0.16	0.24	0.20
Firewood :					
Higher grade	bundle	0.07	0.06	0.09	0.09
Higher grade	corde ⁺	60.00	44.00	80.00	80.00

+ 1 Corde = 2.74 cubic metres.



4. HOUSEHOLD REQUISITES

Commodity	Unit of Quantity	1948		1955	
		Maximum Rs	Minimum Rs	Maximum Rs	Minimum Rs
Soap (local)	3 lbs bar	2.25(c)	0.92(c)	1.30	0.90
Soap (imp.)	"	2.25(c)	2.23(c)	1.75	1.55
Cups & Saucers	unit	2.00	1.25	3.00	1.00
Plates	"	2.50	1.00	2.25	0.75
Glasses	"	1.00	0.25	1.00	0.25
Electric bulbs 16 c.p.	"	0.90	0.75	0.90	0.50
Candles	"	0.28	0.28	0.20	0.20
Writing pads	"	2.50	0.90	3.00	1.25
Envelopes	100	2.00	0.75	3.50	1.00
Frying pans	unit	4.00	1.25	4.00	2.50
Cooking pots	"	9.00	5.00	10.00	4.00
Kettles, aluminium	"	7.50	3.00	7.50	4.32
Safety razor blades	"	0.12	0.05	0.15	0.05
Shopping bags (vacoa)	"	0.75	0.15	0.60	0.20
Brooms - coco	"	0.25	0.25	0.40	0.30
Brooms - fatac	"	0.40	0.30	0.50	0.35
Washing blue	"	0.06	0.05	0.07	0.05
Matches, small box (local)+	"	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03
Matches, small box (imported)	"	0.16	0.06	0.06	0.05
Toilet soap	cake	0.45	0.35	0.35	0.18
Tooth paste	tube	0.90	0.75	0.75	0.70
Toilet paper ord.qual.	roll	0.50	0.50	0.60	0.50
Face powder (large box)	unit	3.50	2.25	4.25	1.75
Scrubs Ammonia	bottle	1.40	1.40	2.50	1.50
Turpentine	litre	2.50	2.50	3.10	2.50
Wax	Kg.	3.00	3.00	3.60	3.00
Cleansing powder	packet	1.00	0.80	0.84	0.70
Washing soda	Kg.	0.50	0.50	0.80	0.60
Creoline	litre	2.75	2.75	3.00	2.00
Boot polish (large size)	tin	0.40	0.40	0.50	0.50
Whiting shoe	cake	0.15	0.15	0.25	0.25
Sunlight soap	"	0.10	0.10	0.33	0.33
Metal polish	tin	1.75	0.95	1.25	0.50
Brush coco (for floors)	unit	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.20
5. TOBACCO AND CIGARETTES					
Pipe tobacco (local)	oz.	0.68	-	0.83	0.83
Pipe tobacco (imp.)	"	1.70	1.25	1.63	1.31
Cigarettes (local)	50	1.90	0.70	2.50	1.00
Cigarettes (imp.)	"	3.75	2.00	3.50	2.75

+ 40 sticks.

Retail Price Level Indices

(1948 = 100)

The figures in each column are quarterly extremes of indices

1. FOOD (a) Grains and Cereals comprising rice, maize, flour, lentils, dhol and beans

Commodity	Jan-March	Apr-June	July-Sept	Oct-Dec
Flour	132	132 - 114	114	107
Bread	144	144 - 143	143	143
Biscuits (local)	159	159	159 - 144	144
Biscuits, (imported)	110	110	110	110
Rice (local)	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Rice (imported)	120	125 - 100	107 - 100	100 - 91
Paddy	84	84	84	84
Maize rice	120	120	120	120
Macaroni (local)	133	133	133	133
Macaroni (imported)	124	124	124	124
Vernicelli	140	140	140 - 136	136
Lentils (black)	105 - 93	105 - 89	105 - 89	113 - 105
Dhol (imported):				
Toowar	69	69 - 65	69 - 65	73 - 69
Gram	75	75	85	85
Split peas	120 - 114	109 - 92	87	87
Peas dried	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Beans, broad	125	142 - 125	150 - 142	150
Beans, haricots	400 - 317	400 - 337	384 - 300	284 - 250
1. FOOD (b) Meat, fish, eggs, poultry, etc.				
Beef, fresh	200	200 - 187	190 - 187	196 - 190
Beef, salted	176	176	160	160
Corned Beef	170	170	170	170
Corned Mutton	160	160	160	160
Sausages pork (fresh)	92	92	92	92
Sausages, pork (canned)	153	153 - 138	138	138
Sausages, beef (canned)	144	144 - 169	169	169
Goat & mutton, fresh	133	133	141 - 133	141
Fish, fresh	279 - 201	200 - 259	210 - 319	218 - 284
Fish, salted	127	127	182 - 164	173 - 145
Pork, fresh	106	106	99	99
Pork, salted	123 - 119	119	102	102
Sardines in oil	68	68	68	68
Salmon	140	159	159	159
Herrings	88	81	81	81
Bomblas	137 - 117	137 - 127	151 - 137	146 - 137
Snoek	152 - 115	164 - 115	170 - 151	153 - 133
Prawns	129	129	133	133 - 129
Eggs	158 - 121	158 - 153	153 - 126	126
Poultry	120 - 115	120	120	120
Ham uncooked	300	300	300	300 - 283
Ham, boiled	289	289	289	289
Salami	296	296 - 275	275	275
Bacon	192	192	192	192
Lamb tongue (canned)	113	113	113	113

1. FOOD (c) Vegetables and Fruits

Commodity	Jan.	Feb.	March	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
<u>PERISHABLE</u>												
Chouchou	243	544	506	250	133	111	94	83	72	117	172	217
Brinjal	114	183	209	117	143	169	139	100	131	139	148	217
Haricot, green	148	229	217	169	158	137	110	92	123	119	110	225
Pipengaille	138	157	162	108	89	151	120	175	185	151	157	154
Patolle	135	158	166	121	166	137	158	108	196	133	166	208
Andive	115	126	129	89	95	145	120	89	114	141	117	120
Green Leaf Vegetables	83	130	148	105	103	93	83	81	113	103	111	94
Pomme d'Amour	109	151	209	423	278	158	141	134	117	87	70	134
Lalo	113	164	144	83	58	92	72	88	164	164	151	174
Pumpkin	103	71	82	73	106	165	153	109	124	109	106	119
Calabash	107	152	177	176	192	162	162	162	146	147	121	202
Peas, green	133	240	234	206	225	139	171	182	145	145	137	222
Embrevades	-	-	-	-	-	294	233	220	200	244	-	-
Margoze	73	109	83	52	151	119	131	169	166	143	93	149
Manioc	135	103	124	114	130	114	103	114	103	119	114	124
Voëli	96	124	157	67	117	150	94	76	112	135	153	72
Petsaï	-	-	227	160	167	124	133	160	93	167	140	-
Cabbage	286	-	-	257	183	166	80	103	86	125	132	194
Cauliflower	-	-	-	-	297	153	75	70	97	122	123	-
Lettuce	109	-	137	125	137	103	92	92	92	92	92	148
Cucumber	92	160	172	80	129	142	117	117	123	117	111	222
Beetroot	112	140	120	90	120	112	80	80	90	70	90	110
Turnip	154	-	-	-	139	139	108	138	154	154	154	154
Patisson	104	162	187	-	137	112	125	125	112	112	125	125

I. FOOD (c) Vegetables and Fruits (continued)

Commodity	Jan.	Feb.	March	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
<u>PERISHABLE</u>												
Rave	144	192	160	144	176	112	80	96	123	112	144	160
Banana	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
<u>SEMI-PERISHABLE</u>												
Potato (local)	150	203	-	-	165	113	66	105	103	131	152	151
Potato (imp.)	163	223	91	113	144	113	105	93	113	129	210	160
Arrouille - violet	83	111	111	103	103	103	105	105	103	91	91	83
Arrouille - curry	106	173	135	127	127	115	131	112	115	104	115	115
Carrot	167	243	389	611	435	135	73	107	82	103	96	107
Onion (local)	183	136	207	211	169	167	121	124	106	105	107	112
Onion (imp.)	164	140	173	160	130	132	95	145	120	122	133	162
Garlic	113	126	134	120	126	117	33	111	99	99	95	105
Ginger	137	206	156	162	173	200	173	134	173	212	266	331
Chillies, green (big)	91	127	184	69	172	171	236	213	215	131	102	232
Chillies, green, small	153	166	87	143	147	121	217	169	125	171	193	334
Groundnut, dry	-	129	-	-	54	140	-	-	161	172	153	156
Groundnut, green	-	96	110	-	-	-	-	120	100	120	110	110
Sweet potatoes	153	153	147	126	153	137	132	163	126	137	105	147
Maize (whole)	117	117	130	119	117	119	113	113	115	119	106	113
Radish	50	-	-	75	50	33	33	33	50	75	50	50
Pineapples	204	133	219	194	203	136	197	344	231	231	253	122
Oranges	159	165	275	195	225	130	105	130	130	120	125	165
Mangoes	125	100	100	-	-	-	-	-	-	125	125	125
Coconut, dry	123	117	137	122	90	110	127	124	110	127	110	117

- Means not available;

1. FOOD (d) Cooking oils, curry stuffs and fats (ghee, oil, vegetable fat),
vinegar, salt, etc;

Commodity	Jan-March	Apr-June	July-Sept	Oct-Dec
Coconut oil, refined	98-85	85	85	85
Groundnut oil	89	86-66	86-66	86-80
Salad oil	61	61	61	56
Olive oil, Plagniol	29	29	29	29
Lard	84	84	84	84
Ghee, vegetable	65	65	65	65
Ghee, animal	149-141	141	141	141
Vinegar (local)	110	110	110	110
Vinegar (imported)	79	79	79	79
Salt, fine	150	150	150	159
Curry stuff	121	121	121	121
Curry powder	65	65	65	65
Jam	116	116	116	116
Orange marmalade	132	132	132	132
Yorkshire sauce	106	106	106	110
Tomato sauce	172	172	172	172

1. FOOD (e) Butter, cheese, sugar and beverages (tea, coffee, milk, etc.)

Tea (local)	133	133	133	133
Tea (imported)	160	163-160	163	163-157
Sugar, white	105	105	126-110	110
Sugar, raw	100	100	100	100
Coffee	305	305-280	280	254
Cocoa	173	186-173	186	186
Chocolate	190	231-190	231	231
Butter (imported)	143	143	139	139
Margarine	98	98	98	98-80
Cheese (imported)	158	158	158	158
Milk, whole	123	123	123	123
Milk, condensed	121	121	121	121

1. FOOD (f) Wines and Spirits

Soda water	100	100	100	100
Lemonade	100	100	100	100
Wine (local)	76	76	76	76
Wine (imported)	80	80	80	80
Beer	87	87	87	87
Ale	124	124	124	124
Porter	102	102	102	102
Brandy	111	111	111	104
Rum	117	117	117	117
Whisky	176	176	176	196

2. CLOTHING AND GARMENTS

Men's hats - felt	114	114	114	114
Women's hats - felt	65	65-61	61	61
Women's hats - straw	70	70	70	70
Helmets, ord. qual.	98	98	98	98
Helmets, sup. qual.	95	95	95	95
Bonnets (tweed caps)	120	120	120	120
Bonnets (topees)	188	188	188	188

2. CLOTHINGS AND GARMENTS (continued)

Commodity	Jan.-March	Apr.-June	July-Sept.	Oct - Dec
Sarees	101	101	101-94	94 - 87
Handkerchiefs	136	136	136	136
Drill, white	126	126	126	126
Drill, khaki	103	95	95	95
Mattress cloth	50	50	50	50
Serge	83	83	83	83
Mosquito netting	153	146	146	146
Silk material	54	60 - 54	54	54
Tweed	71	71	71	71
Lining material	201	201	201	201
Flannel	73	73	73	73
Regatta	73	73 - 68	68	68
Prints (Indienne)	70 - 71	71	71	71
Shirting - grey	49 - 39	49 - 39	54 - 41	54
Shirting - white	78 - 74	81 - 78	81	81
Shirts (local)	70	70	70	70
Shirts (imported)	115	115	115	115
Towels, ord.qual.	93	93	93	93
Towels, bath	156	156	156	156
Socks, cotton	109	109	109	109
Socks, woollen	131-120	120	120	120
Stockings, silk (for ladies)	71	71	71	71
Blankets, cotton	79	79	79	79
Blankets, woollen	166	166	166	166
Shoes, Men's	97	97	97	97
Shoes, Women's	108	108	108	108
Shoes, Children's	131	131	131	131
Shoes, canvas	150-135	135	135	135
Sewing thread, cotton	151	151	151	151
Sewing thread, D.M.C.	123	123	123	123
Knitting wool	125-116	125	125	125
Working suits	74	74	74	74
Neckties, inf.qual.	82	82	82	82
Neckties, sup.qual.	102	102	102	102
Pullovers	71	71	71	71
Dhotees	48-43	52-46	52-48	48
Men's underwear (singlets)	139	139	139	139
Tussor inf.qual.	90-76	90-80	80	80
Tussor sup.qual.	54	59	59	57 - 54

3. FUEL

Kerosene	165	165	165	165
Denatured spirit	134	132	197-132	171
Power alcohol	109	130	196-130	174
Motor spirit	96	96	96 - 92	92
Charcoal	122	122	122	122
Firewood:				
Higher grade (bundle)	150	150	150	150
(corde ⁺)	151	151	151	151

+ 1 corde = 2.74 cubic metres.

4. HOUSEHOLD REQUISITES

Commodity	Jan-March	Apr-June	July-Sept	Oct-Dec
Soap (local)	63	63	63	63
Soap (imported)	75 - 69	75	73 - 75	73
Cups and Saucers	109	109	109	109
Plates	88 - 30	80	80	80
Glasses	93	93	93	93
Electric bulbs (16c.p.)	94 - 68	68	68	68
Candles	72	72	72	72
Writing pads	135 - 119	119	119	119
Envelopes	168 - 110	110	110	110
Frying pans	150	150	150	150
Cooking pots	96	96	96	96
Kettles (aluminium)	122	122	122	122
Safety razor blades	113	113	113	113
Shopping bags (vacoa)	125 - 107	125	125	125
Brooms - coco	140	140	140	140
Brooms - fatac	123	123	123	123
Washing blue	100	100	100	100
Matches, small box (local)+	100	100	100	100
Matches, small box (imported)	100	100	100	100
Toilet soap	93	100 - 93	100	100
Tooth paste	84 - 73	84	84	84
Toilet paper, ord.qual.	100	100	100	100
Face powder (large box)	191	191	191	191
Scrubs ammonia	125 - 75	75	75	75
Turpentine	127	127	127	127
Wax	167	167	167	167
Cleansing powder	168 - 149	149	149	149
Washing soda	149	149	149	149
Creoline	132 - 125	133	133	133
Boot polish (large size)	104	104	104	104
Whiting shoe	139	139	139	139
Sunlight soap	97	97	97	97
Metal Polish	135 - 128	135	135	135
Brush coco (for floors)	140	200 - 140	200	200
5. TOBACCO AND CIGARETTES.				
Pipe tobacco (imported)	208	208	208	208
Cigarettes (imported)	110	110	110	110
Cigarettes (local)	131	137-131	137	137

+ 40 sticks.

Commodity	Indices
<u>IRONMONGERY</u>	
Nails	294-95
Screws	225 - 133
Rivets	133
Locks	73
Hooks	167 - 80
Iron wire	148 - 143
Brass bars and sheets	120
Tacks	100
Bolts and nuts	167 - 100
Hinges	140 - 100
Padlocks	133 - 120
Iron bars and plates	167 - 142
Steel bars	117
Solder	167
<u>TOOLS</u>	
Agricultural tools	147 - 83
Metal and woodwork tools	150 - 67
<u>BUILDING MATERIALS</u>	
Glass plates	120 - 100
Paint, prepared	169 - 100
Paint (powder)	140 - 100
Linseed oil	118 - 84
Turpentine	113
Cement	140
Lead pipe	200
Corrugated iron sheets	155
Plain iron sheets	231
Wood, local	133 ⁺
	128 [⊙]
Wood, imported	115 - 108 ^x
	137 ^{//}
	144 - 141 ⁺⁺

NOTE : The highest and lowest values of the indices are quoted.

- + Eucalyptus
- ⊙ Singapore
- x Keruing
- // Mahogany
- ++ Teak.

Market price fluctuations of vegetables and fruits

Commodity	Unit of Quantity	Maximum during year	Minimum during year	Fluctuation
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
<u>PERISHABLE</u>				
Chouchou	Kg.	0.98	0.13	0.85
Brinjal	"	0.43	0.23	0.20
Haricot vert	"	1.10	0.44	0.66
Pipengaille	"	0.60	0.26	0.34
Patolle	"	0.50	0.26	0.24
Andive	"	0.47	0.29	0.18
Green Leaf Vegetables	"	0.54	0.34	0.20
Pomme d'Amour	"	2.49	0.41	2.08
Lalo	"	0.77	0.26	0.51
Pumpkin	"	0.56	0.24	0.32
Calabash	"	0.40	0.21	0.19
Peas Green	"	2.16	1.20	0.96
Embrevades	"	2.65	1.80	0.85
Margoze	"	1.10	0.34	0.76
Manioc	"	0.25	0.19	0.06
Voem	"	0.70	0.30	0.40
Petsaf	unit	0.25	0.14	0.11
Cabbage	"	0.50	0.14	0.36
Cauliflower	"	1.07	0.25	0.82
Lettuce	"	0.13	0.08	0.05
Cucumber	"	0.36	0.13	0.23
Beetroot	"	0.14	0.07	0.07
Turnip	"	0.10	0.07	0.03
Patisson	"	0.15	0.08	0.07
Rave	"	0.12	0.05	0.07
Banana	"	0.04	0.04	0.01
<u>SEMI-PERISHABLE</u>				
Potato (local)	Kg.	1.32	0.43	0.89
Potato (imported)	"	1.23	0.50	0.73
Arrouille violet	"	0.40	0.30	0.10
Arrouille - curry	"	0.45	0.27	0.18
Carrot	"	1.65	0.21	1.44
Onion (local)	"	1.79	0.39	0.90
Onion (imported)	"	1.00	0.53	0.47
Chillies, green (big)	"	1.55	0.38	1.17
Chillies, green (small)	"	5.23	1.36	3.87
Garlic	"	2.55	1.69	0.86
Ginger	"	1.06	0.50	0.56
Sweet potato	"	0.31	0.20	0.11
Maize (whole)	"	0.61	0.50	0.11
Radish	unit	0.03	0.02	0.01
Pineapple	"	1.24	0.44	0.80
Orange	"	0.55	0.21	0.34
Coconut, dry	"	0.56	0.37	0.19

F I N A N C E

Statement of the public revenue of the Colony for the period
1st July, 1954 to 30th June, 1955.

HEAD OF REVENUE	Actual Revenue to 30th June, 1955
<u>CURRENT RECEIPTS</u>	
<u>Direct Taxes</u>	
Taxes on Income	37,680,265
Taxes on Capital	405,169
Contribution to Social Security	733,152
<u>Indirect Taxes</u>	
Customs Duties	27,196,400
Taxes on Commerce and Industry:-	
(a) Excise duties	14,564,041
(b) Licences	2,853,052
Taxes on Transportation	1,911,706
Taxes on Financial Transactions	5,190,495
<u>Receipts from Public Utilities</u>	
Civil Aviation	97,259
Telecommunications	1,110,969
Harbour and Quays	1,773,139
Posts and Telegraphs	1,649,138
Railways	4,576,513
Sanitation and Sewerage	244,224
Water and Irrigation	577,921
Wireless and Broadcasting	314,514
<u>Receipts from Public Services</u>	
Accountant General	65,221
Agriculture	416,903
Audit	33,532
Archives	4,737
Central Administration	12,000
Customs and Excise	267,433
Education	271,299
Fire Services	41,390
Forests	1,243,439
Health	133,199
Judicial	307,423
Labour	16,550
Legal	1,000
Miscellaneous	1,001,412
Police	79,121
Printing	57,117
Prior Charges Reimbursed	52,782
Prisons	34,191
Public Assistance	39,124
Public Works and Surveys	1,016,151
<u>Rental of Government Property</u>	674,556
<u>Interest and Royalties</u>	2,516,725
<u>TOTAL-CURRENT RECEIPTS</u>	<u>109,138,937</u>
<u>CAPITAL RECEIPTS</u>	
Colonial Development and Welfare	1,746,589
Development and Welfare	6,982,305
<u>Repayments of Loans and Advances</u>	<u>3,907,817</u>
<u>TOTAL-CAPITAL RECEIPTS</u>	<u>12,636,211</u>
<u>TOTAL REVENUE</u>	<u>121,805,178</u>

Statement of the public Expenditure of the Colony for the period
1st July, 1954 to 30th June, 1955

HEAD OF EXPENDITURE	Actual Expenditure to 30th June, 1955
<u>ORDINARY</u>	Rs.
<u>Prior Charges</u>	
Public Debt	4,538,436
Public Service Pensions	6,464,342
Defence	1,784,045
<u>Governance</u>	
Governor	195,846
Central Administration	658,145
District Administration	183,490
Local Government	1,078,729
Accountant General	518,254
Archives	103,539
Audit	254,602
Central Statistical Office	164,355
Customs and Excise	1,440,174
Development Establishment	927,456
Income Tax	392,960
Judicial	1,227,770
Legal	184,624
Legislature	400,116
Miscellaneous	1,538,141
Police	5,711,995
Printing Office	624,917
Prisons and Industrial School	1,370,937
Registrar General	273,759
Supplies Control	293,312
Public Works and Surveys Establishment	1,749,020
<u>Social Services</u>	
Co-operative Societies	181,185
Ecclesiastical	380,659
Education	12,768,610
Health	10,811,716
Labour	451,996
Mauritius Institute	90,418
Public Assistance	7,901,136
Social Welfare	554,464
<u>Public Utilities and Services</u>	
Agriculture	2,363,315
Civil Aviation	630,733
Telecommunications	1,628,170
Fire Services	698,828
Forests	2,339,281
Granary	276,958
Harbour and Quays	1,010,121
Mauritius Broadcasting Service & Globe Reuter News Service	310,638
Observatory	286,964
Posts and Telegraphs	1,641,079
Railways	6,454,812

Statement of the public Expenditure of the Colony for the
 period 1st July, 1954 to 30th June, 1955
 (Continued)

HEAD OF EXPENDITURE	Actual Expenditure to 30th June, 1955
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>ORDINARY</u> (continued)</p> <p><u>Investment</u></p> <p>Public Works (Recurrent)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">TOTAL ORDINARY</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">6,219,556</p> <p style="text-align: center;">39,079,603</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>EXTRAORDINARY</u></p> <p>Public Works (Non-Recurrent)</p> <p>Development Works and Projects</p> <p>Loans and Advances</p> <p>Investment</p> <p style="text-align: center;">TOTAL EXTRAORDINARY</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">4,787,801</p> <p style="text-align: center;">9,353,581</p> <p style="text-align: center;">4,350,331</p> <p style="text-align: center;">7,500,000</p> <p style="text-align: center;">25,991,713</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">TOTAL EXPENDITURE</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">115,071,316</p>

Statement of Assets and Liabilities of the Public Treasury as at 30th June 1955

L I A B I L I T I E S	Rs.	A S S E T S	Rs.
Deposits	4,188,209	Cash Balances	21,458,661
Mauritius Development & Welfare Fund	7,487,886	Remittances in transit	54,679
Loan Fund Unexpended	48,915	Advances	24,125,751
Joint Colonial Fund	5,720,000	Investments:-	
Special Funds - Deposits held on ac- count of various Special Funds	65,651,490	Surplus Funds	25,966,828
Reserve Fund	17,000,000	Various Special Funds	63,100,175
General Revenue Balance	34,609,594		
	134,706,094		134,706,094

Financial position of the Colony as at 30th June 1955

R E V E N U E	Rs.	E X P E N D I T U R E	Rs.
General Revenue Balance as at 30th June, 1954	29,894,702	Ordinary Expenditure	Rs 103,220,985
Ordinary Revenue	Rs 109,168,967	Capital Expenditure	Rs 11,850,331
Capital Revenue	Rs 12,636,210	Depreciation on Investments	2,018,969
	121,805,177	General Revenue Balance as at 30th June 1955	34,609,594
	151,699,879		151,699,879

SEVEN YEARS' SUMMARY OF PUBLIC REVENUE AND EXPENDITUREAnnual Revenue and Expenditure 1949 - 1955 (excluding transfers to & from the Reserve Account and Supplementary Sinking Fund)

Year ended 30th June	Revenue Rs	Expenditure Rs.	Surplus Rs.
1949	43,271,893	44,000,757	2,271,136
1950	55,100,214	50,106,975	4,993,239
1951	60,315,772	55,809,012	4,506,760
1952	82,612,396	73,861,434	8,751,262
1953	90,006,188	88,930,054	1,076,134
1954	97,778,504	94,044,553	3,733,951
1955	121,805,177	115,071,316	6,733,861

YIELD OF INCOME TAX

	FINANCIAL YEAR		
	1952 - 1953	1953 - 1954	1954 - 1955
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Individuals	12,030,241	12,284,948	14,822,458
Companies	17,770,037	18,582,793	22,857,807
TOTAL	29,800,278	30,867,741	37,680,265
Excess Profit Tax	19,319	-	-
Total collected	29,819,597	30,867,741	37,680,265

REVENUE COLLECTED ON TOBACCO

	1953	1954	1955
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
EXCISE REVENUE	4,697,327	4,761,938	5,265,688
CUSTOMS REVENUE:			
Manufactured Tobacco	17,497	23,008	14,994
Imported cigars and cigarettes	1,383,411	1,509,097	2,020,734
Imported leaf	3,255,231	2,872,405	3,140,220
Total	9,353,466	9,166,448	10,441,636

REVENUE COLLECTED ON DISTILLERY PRODUCE

	1952 - 1953	1953 - 1954	1954 - 1955
	Rs	Rs	Rs
Run	7,824,541	8,878,370	8,949,132
Denatured spirits (including power alcohol)	20,148	27,671	27,446
Wines	1,104,050	1,114,665	783,613
Vinegar	947	1,279	2,553
Drugs and Tinctures	2,012	2,067	-
Perfumes	6,390	7,737	3,612

PUBLIC DEBT

The total Public Debt of the Colony on the 30th June, 1955 was Rs 71,713,926 and the Sinking Fund held against the Public Debt aggregated Rs 4,704,989. The comparable figures on the 30th June, 1954 were Rs 61,792,677 and Rs 7,026,492 respectively.

STATEMENT IN RESPECT OF COMPASSIONATE ALLOWANCES PAID FROM FUNDS OF THE COLONY

Financial year	No. of pensioners at beginning of year	Number of new pensioners	No. of pensions which ceased during the year	Actual expenditure
				Rs
1947-48	469	27	69	72,126
1948-49	427	33	39	72,284
1949-50	421	39	34	74,279
1950-51	426	29	29	71,103
1951-52	426	28	29	74,385
1952-53	425	24	23	69,054
1953-54	426	120	24	82,693
1954-55	522	33	33	270,374

The item expenditure comprises :-

- (i) Compassionate allowances;
- (ii) Allowances paid to maimed and disabled artisans.

STATEMENT IN RESPECT OF PENSIONS PAID BY THE CIVIL SERVICE WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' PENSION FUND

Calendar year	No. of pensioners at beginning of year	No. of new pensioners	No. of pensions which ceased during the year	Actual Expenditure	Cost of living allowance
				Rs	Rs
1950	1,268	33	35	415,102	389,637
1951	1,271	52	25	421,745	396,497
1952	1,298	62	42	435,301	664,724
1953	1,313	62	51	447,671	523,368
1954	1,329	36	47	1,101,968 ⁺	472,642
1955	1,368	64	45	753,310	374,373

+ Including Rs 596,733 paid as arrears for period 1st July, 1949 to 31st August, 1954 following an investigation by the Government Actuary.

© Paid by Government on pensions issued by the Fund.

**STATEMENT IN RESPECT OF PENSIONS AND GRATUITIES TO PUBLIC
SERVANTS PAID FROM FUNDS OF THE COLONY**

Financial year	No. of pensioners at beginning of year	No. of new pensioners	No. of pensions which ceased during the year	Expenditure exclusive of cost of living allowance Rs 000	Cost of living Allowance Rs 000	Expenditure inclusive of cost of living allowance Rs 000
1945-46	940	55	60	1,320	...	...
1946-47	935	79	43	1,497	...	...
1947-48	971	35	74	1,335	...	...
1948-49	982	74	67	1,471	...	...
1949-50	989	72	40	1,506	...	...
1950-51	1,021	55	70	1,593	...	...
1951-52	1,006	60	46	1,599	...	...
1952-53	1,020	37	57	1,797	747	2,544
1953-54	1,050	99	62	2,716	933	3,649
1954-55	1,037	92	75	2,959	358	3,317
1955-56 ⁺	1,104	84	57	2,379	666	3,045

+ Estimate.

The item expenditure comprises :

- (i) Pensions and Gratuities on retirement;
- (ii) Death gratuities of Pensioners;
- (iii) Death gratuities of recipients of compassionate allowances who were formerly holders of non-pensionable offices;
- (iv) Death gratuities to heirs of deceased public officers;
- (v) Pensions and Gratuities to members of the Labour Battalion who served in World War I.

STATEMENT IN RESPECT OF OLD AGE PENSIONS PAID FROM FUNDS OF THE COLONY

Calendar year	Number of pensioners	Actual Expenditure Rs
1950	10,545*	345,390
1951	13,965	2,340,613
1952	12,304	2,200,740
1953	19,002	3,130,364
1954	20,456	4,310,823
1955	13,429	4,401,133

* Including 57 Blind Persons aged 40 and over.

Accounts of Public Funds expended in relieving various types of destitution - 1948-1955

Calendar Year	Outdoor Relief Rs	Indoor Relief Rs	Relief work Rs	Old Age + Pensions Rs	Contribution to Welfare Organizations			School for the Blind Rs	TOTAL Rs
					Maternity & Child Welfare Society Rs	Milk for poor mothers & babies Rs	Expenditure on free meals Rs		
1948	600,016	225,520	42,973	-	42,375	4,800	6,666	6,000	923,350
1949	703,341	220,963	55,464	-	47,900	4,800	6,315	6,800	1,046,033
1950	794,704	231,606	51,312	345,390	49,351	7,400	6,306	6,800	1,993,869
1951	1,024,382	234,979	59,400	2,340,613	41,575	16,162	3,296	6,800	3,732,207
1952	1,596,437	359,344	60,262	2,200,740	99,773	17,600	14,044	15,000	4,363,200
1953	2,106,673	360,991	65,193	3,180,364	42,904	30,712	15,232	15,000	5,817,074
1954	2,092,673	363,541	64,333	4,310,823	113,000	46,400	18,452	15,000	7,029,772
1955	2,497,002	352,332	67,372	4,401,183	113,900	47,300	17,711	15,000	7,517,350

+ Scheme instituted on 1st July, 1950.

Comparative approved public expenditure on different Social Services of the Colony for the financial year 1955-1956

Social Services	Administration (salaries)	Other Expenditure (including travelling, subventions etc.)	Total	% of the estimated total revenue of the Colony
	Rs	Rs	Rs	
Public Assistance	539,474	7,307,250 ⁺	7,846,724	5.2
Social Welfare	209,436	391,495	600,931	0.4
Prisons & Industrial School	389,294	484,344	1,323,638	0.9
Health	4,959,569	7,313,533	12,773,152	8.4
Education	11,124,056	3,713,167	14,842,223	9.8
Total	17,721,829	19,664,630	37,386,663	24.7

+ Includes Old Age Pensions.

SUBSIDIZATION OF STAPLE FOODSTUFFS

Financial year	1951 - 1952	1952 - 1953	1953 - 1954	1954 - 1955
Amount of Expenditure	Rs 2,532,767	Rs 4,773,392	Rs 4,349,335	Nil

MAURITIUS DEVELOPMENT &
WELFARE FUND

Statement of Revenue to the Fund's credit for the period 1946 - 1955

In Rupees

HEADS OF REVENUE	TOTAL REVENUE + From 1st July, 1946 To 30th June, 1955		
	C.D.F.	Other Sources	Total
Colonial Development & Welfare Fund	19,855,395	-	19,855,395
Colonial Development & Welfare Fund (Research)	2,033,349	-	2,033,349
Colonial Development & Welfare Fund (Central Allocation)	397,326	-	397,326
Loan Funds	-	45,725,269	45,725,269
Subventions & Reimbursements	-	23,953,016	23,953,016
Total	22,286,070	69,678,235	91,964,355

+ to the Fund's credit.

Statement of Expenditure for the period 1946 - 1955

In Rupees

HEADS OF EXPENDITURE	TOTAL EXPENDITURE From 1st July, 1946 To 30th June, 1955		
	C.D.F.	Other Sources	Total
Administration	253,706	4,294,440	4,548,446
Agriculture	123,301	4,487,710	4,611,011
Education	-	1,065,711	1,065,711
Health	5,000,000	392,279	5,392,279
Nutrition	30,263	230,346	260,609
Settlement	733,304	192,423	929,032
Irrigation	10,576,344	13,241,494	23,817,333
Buildings	2,927,059	6,476,330	9,403,439
Roads	-	3,326,135	3,326,135
Research	2,065,396	5,196,723	7,262,424
Sugar Industry	-	5,723,903	5,723,903
Scholarships & Training Grants	44,241	35,033	79,279
Sewerage	-	596,905	596,905
Secondary Industries	-	5,232,704	5,232,704
Forestry	523,353	692,643	1,221,499
Housing	-	4,393,000	4,393,000
Experimental Farms	-	73,662	73,662
Rodrigues	-	474,431	474,431
Total	22,286,070	62,136,042	84,472,112

The revenue of the Development and Welfare Fund over the ten-year period* is to be derived from the following sources:-

	Rs
Colonial Development and Welfare Fund (the Colony's allocation under the Colonial Development & Welfare Acts)	24,266,600
Colonial Development and Welfare Fund (Research)	2,240,000
Colonial Development and Welfare Fund (Central Allocation)	635,000
Loan (to be raised in Mauritius & the United Kingdom)	60,500,000
Subventions and Reimbursement (from local Funds and General Revenue)	21,540,000
	109,281,600
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A summary of the expenditure incurred to the 30th June, 1955, and of the expenditure to be incurred during the ten-year period is given in the table below :-

HEAD OF EXPENDITURE	In Rupees	
	P E R I O D S	
	1946 - 1955	10-year period
Central Administration	4,548,146	2,500,000
Agriculture	4,611,011	4,615,000
Education	1,065,711	1,065,711
Health	5,392,279	6,000,000
Nutrition	260,609	260,609
Settlement	929,082	330,000
Irrigation & Water Supplies	23,517,333	35,325,000
Buildings	9,405,439	12,900,000
Roads	3,323,135	2,842,000
Research	7,262,424	3,000,000
Sugar Industry	5,723,908	5,723,908
Interest Charges	-	-
Scholarships & Training Grants	79,279	370,000
Sewerage	596,905	712,000
Secondary Industries	5,202,704	3,275,000
Forestry	1,221,499	750,000
Housing	4,395,000	10,625,000
Agricultural Development	78,662	5,000,000
Rodrigues	474,481	1,300,000
Unallocated	-	998,167
Total	34,472,112	108,393,695

The expenditure for the period 1946-1955 was financed as follows :-

	Rs
From the Colonial Development & Welfare Fund	22,236,070
From Loan Funds	40,113,434
From Subventions and Reimbursements	22,067,608
	34,472,112
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* 1st July, 1946 to 30th June, 1955.

MUNICIPALITY OF PORT LOUIS +

Estimated population on 31st December 1955 = 77,400

Local Government

R E V E N U E	Calendar year 1954	Calendar year 1955	E X P E N D I T U R E	Calendar year 1954	Calendar year 1955
	Rs	Rs		Rs	Rs
Rate on Immoveable properties (0.8 - 2.0%)	857,378	853,293	Public Debt ...	297,765	362,994
Tenant's Tax ...	84,895	89,174	Pensions and Gratuities	142,359	134,512
Government Contribution	412,842	501,114	The Mayor and Council	34,118	46,540
Rents ...	255,588	308,406	Establishments ...	204,919	204,417
Electricity ...	751,046	879,596	Municipal Services ...	1,066,911	1,058,993
Water Supply ...	134,526	126,689	Public Recreation & Education	61,344	35,952
Miscellaneous ...	329,149	543,443	Electricity ...	609,648	723,703
Closing Balance ...	28,532	-	Fire Brigade ...	357,337	359,434
			Special Expenditure ...	21,309	13,600
			Miscellaneous ...	58,246	60,917
			Closing Balance ...	-	100,653
	2,853,956	3,101,715		2,853,956	3,101,715

+ Strictly within Municipal limits.

TOWN COUNCIL OF CUREPIPE

Estimated township population on 31st December, 1955 = 24,500

R E V E N U E	Financial year ended 30.6.55	Financial year ended 30.6.56*	E X P E N D I T U R E	Financial year ended 30.6.55	Financial year ended 30.6.56*
	Rs	Rs		Rs	Rs
<u>CURRENT</u>			<u>ORDINARY</u>		
Rate of 1 - 2% on immovable properties	459,371	484,254	Prior charges	137,708	144,215
Tenant's Tax	49,397	50,924	Debts		
Government Contribution	132,156	156,732	Pensions & Gratuities	32,608	43,395
Receipts from Public Utilities ⁺	37,880	52,295	Administration [@]	244,932	244,401
Receipts from Public Services	63,856	129,406	Social Services	149,520	147,372
Rental from Council Properties	72,565	89,123	Public Utilities & Services	31,949	93,415
			Investment - Public Works	87,741	149,532
<u>EXTRAORDINARY</u>			<u>EXTRAORDINARY</u>		
Housing Scheme Rental	43,100	47,968	Construction of office buildings etc.	31,960	-
Sale of buildings	32,603	14,785	Housing Scheme Refunds	34,602	40,904
			Closing Balance	40,416	141,753
	891,436	1,005,487		391,436	1,005,487

+ Include Markets and Abattoirs

@ Include Sanitary Services and Public Entertainment

* Provisional.

TOWN COUNCIL OF QUATRE BORNES

Estimated Township Population on 31st December 1955 = 19,200

R E V E N U E	Financial year ended 30.6.55	Estimates Financial year ended 30.6.56	E X P E N D I T U R E	Financial year ended 30.6.55	Estimates Financial year ended 30.6.56
	Rs	Rs		Rs	Rs
Rate of 1% on immovable properties	116,236	132,609	Prior Charges:-	3,916	3,916
Tenant's Tax ...	23,885	20,458	Pensions and Gratuities	49,215	52,312
Government Contribution	106,242	119,778	Secretariat & Treasury	147,420	148,150
Rents ...	17,680	17,548	Public Works ...	58,902	63,121
Markets ...	10,125	7,448	Sanitary Services	16,519	15,483
Entertainment Duty	9,650	10,642	Markets ...	7,978	11,781
Miscellaneous	16,455	32,948	Lighting of Streets	5,022	9,698
Closing Balance	29,205	20,600	Cadastral Survey of Town	40,506	57,570
	329,478	362,031	Miscellaneous		
				329,478	362,031

TOWN COUNCIL OF BEAU BASSIN - ROSE HILL

Estimated township population on 31st December, 1955 = 31,400

R E V E N U E	Financial year ended 30.6.55	Financial year ended 30.6.56	E X P E N D I T U R E	Financial year ended 30.6.55	Financial year ended 30.6.56
	Rs	Rs		Rs	Rs
Rate of 0.6 - 1% on immovable properties	221,855	337,345	Secretariat & Treasury	137,244	135,453
Tenant's Tax	46,388	37,566	Public Works	194,784	323,871
Government Contribution	172,140	197,730	Sanitary Services	135,751	148,351
Slaughter House	58,331	62,957	Slaughter House	24,586	26,700
Markets	61,861	80,683	Markets	25,997	25,658
Entertainment duty	48,309	48,588	Lighting of streets	9,759	12,625
Rents	61,294	72,212	Chairman and Council	13,800	23,683
Miscellaneous	82,683	58,457	Public Debt	84,506	75,517
			Gardens	17,378	17,783
			Miscellaneous	31,332	49,173
			Closing Balance	78,179	56,219
	753,366	895,538		753,366	895,538

TOTAL SALE-PROCEEDS OF SUGAR

Crop year	Export proceeds ⁺ Rs	Index	Local sale proceeds Rs	Total sale proceeds Rs
1938	40,853,310	100	1,865,695	42,719,005
1939	32,971,353	81	1,996,428	34,968,281
1940	51,607,526	126	2,179,602	53,787,128
1941	52,325,931	129	2,420,044	55,245,975
1942	62,372,984	153	2,972,517	65,345,511
1943	57,709,112	141	3,450,197	61,159,309
1944	46,452,237	114	4,673,437	51,126,344
1945	45,951,025	113	4,516,256	50,467,281
1946	79,002,332	193	5,813,192	84,815,575
1947	111,653,797	273	6,490,700	118,149,497
1948	133,657,391	327	6,435,766	140,093,067
1949	151,433,136	371	7,080,562	158,513,748
1950	132,434,053	447	7,861,440	190,295,493
1951	219,337,613	537	7,133,770	226,471,383
1952	230,451,102	564	7,173,694	237,629,856
1953	265,632,103	650	8,053,264	273,685,367
1954	250,307,067	614	8,231,030	259,088,097
1955 [⊙]	262,400,000	642	8,600,000	271,000,000

+ These values exclude only insurance, freight and London brokerage. They include the value of Preference Certificates.

⊙ Estimated.

AVERAGE RATE OF EXCHANGE WITH LONDON

Average selling rate for demand drafts on London :

By Banks : Rs 13.40 per £ sterling.

By Public : Rs 13.20 per £ sterling.

NOTES AND COINS IN CIRCULATION

	Notes	Coins
	Rs	Rs
During 1st quarter 1955	54,724,000	3,384,400
During last quarter 1955	57,055,000	3,498,400

TRENDS IN CIRCULATION OF CURRENCY

<u>30th June</u>	<u>Notes and Coins</u>	<u>Ratio to prewar</u>
1937 - 1939 (average)	Rs 11,142,490	100
1949	Rs 31,226,835	280
1950	Rs 34,726,835	312
1951	Rs 37,135,407	336
1952	Rs 45,673,000	410
1953	Rs 51,443,400	462
1954	Rs 54,105,400	486
1955	Rs 54,103,400	486

BANKING STATISTICSPARTICULARS OF TRADING BANKS IN MAURITIUSSTATEMENT AS AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1955

(Unit = Rs 000)

<u>LIABILITIES</u>		<u>A S S E T S</u>	
1. Notes in circulation	-	1. Cash	6,456
2. Deposits		2. Balances due by other banks in the colony	2,099
(i) Demand	103,215	3. Balances due from Banks abroad	89,270
(ii) Time	25,664	4. Loans & Advances:	
(iii) Savings	4,281	(a) Primary Production (including processing of primary products)	11,245
3. Balances due to:		(b) Other Industries (including Commerce & Distribution)	12,113
(a) Other Banks in the Colony	2,745	(c) Other Advances	23,558
(b) Banks abroad	1,546	5. Investments	
4. Other Liabilities etc.	17,575	(a) Local	2,513
		(b) Other	2,216
		6. Other Assets	5,556
Total Liabilities	155,026	Total Assets	155,026

MAURITIUS GOVERNMENT SAVINGS BANK⁺

Year	Number of depositors on 30th June	Amount of deposit during the financial year ended 30th June	Amount of withdrawals during the financial year ended 30th June	Total amount to credit of depositors on 30th June
		Rs	Rs	Rs
1938	40,551	2,142,250	2,070,852	8,815,120
1939	42,896	2,233,886	2,189,713	7,053,802
1947	58,532	3,384,791	9,128,123	16,835,091
1948	62,630	7,394,575	7,474,334	17,147,123
1949	66,830	8,497,113	6,932,581	19,139,629
1950	68,701	9,393,451	8,045,238	20,043,925
1951	74,021	9,854,999	9,126,527	21,242,304
1952	78,465	13,668,612	11,045,096	24,380,985
1953	79,108	14,300,760	12,948,099	25,346,852
1954	86,236	18,881,953	15,556,115	29,323,844
1955	90,074	17,403,518	17,855,699	29,578,067

BANK DEPOSIT FIGURES

30th June	Government Savings Bank	Trading Banks	Total
	Rs	Rs	Rs
1939	7,053,802	10,263,737	17,317,539
1940	7,121,852	10,515,972	17,637,824
1941	6,778,385	15,246,332	22,024,717
1942	6,972,194	23,032,902	30,005,096
1943	8,917,074	31,389,362	40,306,436
1944	12,122,310	36,433,543	48,556,353
1945	15,064,637	36,064,424	51,129,061
1946	17,180,346	35,432,919	52,613,265
1947	16,835,094	40,975,153	57,810,252
1948	17,147,123	40,432,039	57,579,162
1949	19,139,629	46,765,173	65,904,802
1950	20,043,925	56,973,356	77,022,281
1951	21,242,304	63,401,345	84,643,649
1952	24,380,985	71,440,617	95,821,602
1953	25,346,852	70,812,001	96,158,853
1954	29,323,844	103,910,307	133,234,151
1955	29,578,067	111,122,351	140,700,418

TREASURY

The deposits as at 30.6.55 amounted to Rs 4,138,209.

CO-OPERATIVE CENTRAL BANK LIMITED

The total deposits as at 30.6.55 amounted to Rs 1,948,166.

FRIENDLY SOCIETIES

The total deposits as at 31.12.55 amounted to Rs 2,346,415.

+ Bank pays interest at the rate of 2½%.

MAURITIUS AGRICULTURAL BANK

Agricultural loans granted as at 31.12.55	Number of loans	Amount Rs
1. Agricultural Bank loans:		
Agricultural loans	316	26,328,283
Industrial loans	3	147,569
Housing loans	654	7,598,616
2. Government Loans:		
(a) The Hurricane Loan Ordinance 1945		
(i) Repairs to Industrial buildings	54	2,058,206
(ii) Replantation of sugar-cane lands	179	8,378,909
(iii) Rebuilding & Repairing houses	296	152,638
(b) The Sugar Industry (Rehabilitation of factories & Rolling Stock Ord. 24/48)	27	3,723,790
(c) The Aloe Fibre Industry (Development loan) Ord. 72/52		
(i) for aloe plantations	9	139,640
(ii) for aloe factories	9	131,675
		48,715,326

Mortgages subscribed by small planters at the Mauritius Agricultural Bank as at 31st December, 1955 :

Number of loans	...	274
Amounts outstanding	...	Rs 1,197,009*

* Out of which Rs 235,033 due for loans under the Hurricane loan Ordinance 1945.

Estimated Indebtedness of the Sugar Industry⁺ - 30th April, 1955

In Rupees

1. Amount due on Hurricane Loan 1931 (Ordinance 16 of 1931)		356,664
2. Amount due on Hurricane Loan 1945 (Ordinance 2 of 1945)		
(i) Art. 6(1) (a) Buildings	2,108,297	
(ii) Art. 6(1) (b) Plantations	<u>9,111,060</u>	
		11,219,357
3. Rehabilitation Loan (Ord. 24 of 1943)		3,756,313
4. Amount due to the Mauritius Agricultural Bank		25,040,801 [⊙]
5. Other Mortgages:		
Factory Estates	7,108,331	
Planters (estimated)	<u>4,000,000</u>	
		11,108,331
Total		51,931,966

+ Secured by Mortgages.

⊙ Excludes loans made to the Tea Industry but includes small loans made to concerns engaged in mixed farming such as cane and tobacco, cane and lye, cane and forestry.

THE CYCLONE AND DROUGHT INSURANCE FUND
(Sugar Industry)

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31st December, 1955

E X P E N D I T U R E	I N C O M E
	<u>Rs</u>
Bank Charges & Office Expenses	50,478
Loss on revaluation of foreign investments	6,724,120
Surplus for the year	8,194,495
	<u>14,969,093</u>
	<u>Rs</u>
	Premium
	12,216,194
	General Reserve Fund
	341,321
	Interests & dividends
	2,411,573
	<u>14,969,093</u>

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1955

L I A B I L I T I E S	A S S E T S
	<u>Rs</u>
Capital Account	<u>Rs</u>
Balance 1st January, 1955	75,026,793
Add surplus for the year	8,194,495
	<u>83,221,288</u>
	<u>Rs</u>
	Cash at Bank and in transit
	13,018,639
	Office furniture & fixtures
	10,275
	Investments
	70,192,324
	<u>83,221,288</u>

The Balance to the credit of the Cyclone and Drought Insurance Fund at the end of each of the last 9 years is given in the following table:

Balance as at 31st December	Rs
1947	2,173,067
1948	9,827,420
1949	16,081,154
1950	22,971,379
1951	30,182,163
1952	44,553,372
1953	51,384,576
1954	75,026,793
1955	83,221,288

THE BALANCE OF PAYMENTS 1953 - 1955

Unit Rs 000

I T E M	1 9 5 3 ⁺		1 9 5 4 ⁺		1 9 5 5 ⁺⁺	
	Credit	Debit	Balance	Credit	Debit	Balance
<u>CURRENT TRANSACTIONS</u>						
Total goods and services	312,202	284,120	+ 23,082	300,623	240,540	+ 60,083
Total donations	7,604	6,024	+ 1,580	7,659	6,536	+ 1,123
<u>TOTAL CURRENT TRANSACTIONS</u>	319,806	290,144	+ 29,662	308,287	247,076	+ 61,211
<u>CAPITAL TRANSACTIONS</u>						
Private Capital movements	672	3,541	- 2,369	514	3,133	- 2,624
Official & Banking Capital Movements	25,360	26,771	- 1,411	2,555	53,004	- 50,449
<u>TOTAL CAPITAL TRANSACTIONS</u>	26,032	30,312	- 4,280	3,069	56,142	- 53,073
GRAND TOTAL	345,838	320,456	+ 25,382	311,356	303,218	+ 8,138

+ Final figures

++ Provisional figures

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GROSS CAPITAL FORMATION 1951 - 1955

Unit Rs 000

Year	Total	Purchase of capital goods and equipment of foreign origin	Domestic production of capital goods and equipment	New buildings and public works	Capital sunk in plantations and silviculture
1951	72,647	34,827	1,480	31,990	4,350
1952	74,378	34,852	2,050	33,186	4,290
1953	90,581	38,253	2,115	47,369	2,824
1954	75,556	23,792	2,600	46,359	2,805
1955	85,947	40,300	2,500	41,204	1,863

FORMATION OF CAPITAL - 1955

Unit Rs 000

Industrial Classification (I.S.I.C.) [†]	Total	Purchase of capital goods and equipment of foreign origin	Domestic production of capital goods and equipment	New buildings and public works	Capital sunk in plantations and silviculture
0. Agriculture, Forestry, Hunting & Fishing	3,535	1,672	-	-	1,863
1. Mining & Quarrying	-	-	-	-	-
2-3 Manufacturing	19,398	16,398	2,500	-	-
4. Construction	41,704	420	-	41,284	-
5. Electricity, Gas, Water & Sanitary Services	1,441	1,441	-	-	-
6. Commerce	918	918	-	-	-
7. Transport, Storage & Communication	17,856	17,856	-	-	-
8. Services	1,095	1,095	-	-	-
TOTAL	85,947	40,300	2,500	41,284	1,863

† International Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities.

NATIONAL INCOME 1948 - 1955

The values of domestic exports, of Gross Domestic Product (at factor cost) and of the Net National Product at factor cost (which is equivalent to the national income) are tabulated hereunder for each of the years 1948 - 1955 :-

Unit Rs 1 million

Calendar year	Domestic exports ⁺	Gross Domestic Product [*]	National Income [*]
1948	138	305	307
1949	156	350	349
1950	186	415	410
1951	226	473	465
1952	241	529	518
1953	272	592	583
1954	257	587	576
1955	267	607	595

+ Computed on the exportable value of the production of sugar for that year.

* at factor cost.

NATIONAL INCOME AT CONSTANT PRICES

Calendar year	National income at 1948 prices Rs 1 mn.	Per capita income at constant prices (1948) Rs	Index Numbers
1948	307	700	100
1949	326	726	104
1950	347	745	106
1951	372	769	110
1952	362	721	103
1953	402	778	111
1954	400	754	108
1955	405	737	105

GROSS AND NET NATIONAL PRODUCT 1955

	Rs mn.
1. Agriculture, forestry, hunting & fishing	184
2. Mining and Quarrying	-
3. Manufacturing	133
4. Construction	26
5. Electricity, water and sanitary services	11
6. Transportation, storage & communication	81
7. Wholesale and Retail Trade	58
8. Banking, Insurance and Real Estate	7
9. Ownership of dwellings	40
10. Public Administration and Defence	16
11. Services	51
Gross domestic product (at factor cost)	607
<u>LESS</u> Provision for the consumption of fixed capital	- 24
Net domestic product at factor cost	583
<u>PLUS</u> Net factor income from the rest of the world	+ 12
Net National Product at factor cost	595

CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES

The number of societies on the Register at the close of the last co-operative year (28th February, 1955) was 290 comprising the following types of societies :

Central Bank	...	1
Credit Unlimited	...	152
Credit Limited	...	2
Marketing	...	2
Thrift and Savings	...	37
Co-Operative Union	...	1
Housing	...	2
Federation of Credit Societies	...	1
Consumers' Stores	...	67
Printing	...	1
Transport	...	7
School Savings	...	15
Wholesale	...	1
Better Living	...	1

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WORKING CAPITAL

In Rupees

	1952 - 1953		1953 - 1954 ⁺		1954 - 1955	
	Mauritius	Rodri- gues	Mauritius	Rodri- gues	Mauritius	Rodri- gues
	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs
1. Central Bank	2,796,286	-	2,283,813	-	2,934,207	-
2. Credit Limited	625	2,301	672	2,234	720	2,337
3. Credit Unlimited	3,920,084	45,242	4,033,177	45,861	4,224,970	48,179
4. Consumers' Stores	451,483	-	428,763	-	562,103	-
5. Marketing	14,632	-	17,307	-	12,943	-
6. Thrift & Savings	174,866	-	228,293	-	383,457	-
7. Co-Operative Union	10,905	-	13,365	-	24,050	-
8. Housing	5,216	-	5,114	-	6,497	-
9. Federation of Credit Societies	42,134	-	49,920	-	62,301	-
10. Printing	28,123	-	27,319	-	29,394	-
11. Transport	38,106	-	30,777	-	119,367	-
12. School Savings	7,948	-	18,689	-	29,621	3,771
13. Wholesale	122,123	-	119,854	-	163,504	-
14. Better Living	-	-	20	-	113	-
Total	7,612,531	47,543	7,257,533	48,095	3,553,252	54,337

+ Ten months' operation - 1st May 1953 to
28th February, 1954.

RATES OF INTEREST CHARGED ON LOANS TO MEMBERS

1 Society charging	5½
11 Societies charging	6
4 " "	6½
33 " "	7
13 " "	7½
34 " "	8
4 " "	8½
26 " "	9
7 " "	10
Average rate of interest :	
In Mauritius	7.8
In Rodrigues	6.1

THRIFT AND SAVINGS SOCIETIES

The number of Thrift and Savings Societies on the register during the period 1st March, 1954 to 28th February, 1955 was 37. The total membership was 2,412 whilst the total savings at 28th February, 1954, i.e. the close of the co-operative year, amounted to Rs 281,964. All the societies are situated in the rural districts.

The following table shows the distribution of societies according to districts :

D I S T R I C T	No. of Societies	No. of Members	Total Savings Rs	Amount Withdrawn Rs	Working Capital Rs
Port Louis	1	604	42,387	2,744	73,604
Pamplemousses	8	473	56,647	35,480	58,862
Rivière du Rempart	3	302	139,944	89,430	147,825
Flacq	5	194	18,393	11,267	39,842
Grand Port	10	432	9,079	13,084	22,646
Savanne	2	64	1,446	951	3,934
Plaines Wilhems	8	343	14,068	10,796	30,925
Total	37	2,412	281,964	163,752	377,633

CONSUMERS' SOCIETIES

As at 28th February, 1955, sixty-seven co-operative stores were on the Register.

The following is a statement of the business of the Consumers' Societies for the period 1st March, 1954 to the 28th February, 1955.

District	No. of Stores	Membership	Paid up Share Capital	Total Sales	Net Profit	Reserve Funds
			Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs
Port Louis	5	1,056	13,326	232,213	4,393	5,668
Pamplemousses	14	1,811	54,450	1,149,692	36,722	38,035
Rivière du Rempart	8	1,027	21,602	551,152	18,560	19,791
Floacq	7	1,010	14,990	414,984	14,134	10,985
Grand Port	5	926	15,427	372,471	15,562	7,724
Savanne	3	458	7,925	177,173	4,264	5,980
Plaines Wilhems	17	2,827	77,557	1,542,879	38,375	45,406
Beaumont	7	961	19,151	508,358	18,936	22,677
Black River	1	277	3,136	95,852	4,538	3,842
Total	67	10,353	227,564	5,044,774	155,484	160,158
Wholesale	1	67	51,369	3,543,690	42,006	21,000

MARKETING SOCIETIES

Of the two existing marketing societies, the Crève Coeur Co-operative Marketing Society, was in operation during the whole of the co-operative year 1954 - 1955. The other society, the Belle Vue Maurel Co-operative Milk Society, ceased to operate in May 1954.

GINGER

The principal statistics pertaining to the Crève Coeur Marketing Society during each of the co-operative years 1952 - 1953, 1953 - 1954 and 1954 - 1955 are as follows :

	1952 - 1953	1953 - 1954 (10 month operating)	1954 - 1955
Number of members	355	378	378
Quantity of ginger marketed	223,605 kgs	178,761 kgs	128,735 kgs
Value	Rs 83,477	Rs 44,628	Rs 28,514
Gross Profit	Rs 339	Rs 314	Rs 232
Net Profit	Rs 223	Rs 248	Rs 158
Reserve	Rs 1,974	Rs 2,197	Rs 2,445

SUGARCANE

The number of members of co-operative credit societies electing to engage in the co-operative sale of their sugarcane through the agency of their societies in respect of the 1954 crop totalled 6,484. The tonnage of canes thus sold amounted to 413,315 metric tons, while the quantity of sugar received in return for the canes supplied totalled 31,040 metric tons, and represented 75.10 kilos of sugar per ton of canes on an average. In addition, the members of some societies also received 10 kilos of molasses and 5 kilos of scums per ton of canes. In all other cases, the equivalent in sugar of these by-products was paid to them.

The following table illustrates the position of societies relative to the fluctuations:

(i) in the tonnage of canes produced; (ii) in the quantum of sugar received per ton of canes, and (iii) in the amount of money controlled at the end of each of the last ten years.

Crop	No. of members selling canes	Tonnage of canes sold M/Tons	Tonnage of sugar received M/Tons	Average quantum of sugar received per ton of canes Kilos	Average price of sugar ex-Sugar Syndicate per 100 Kilos Rs	Amount controlled by Societies Rs
1945	2,931	63,363	4,648	73.19	25.03	1,165,394
1946	2,904	141,815	10,510	74.10	24.96	2,623,030
1947	2,885	170,257	12,824	75.33	28.77	3,688,951
1948	3,603	181,860	14,128	77.68	30.24	4,272,331
1949	3,993	197,733	15,941	80.25	32.87	5,240,421
1950	4,533	261,154	20,906	80.05	36.30	7,539,602
1951	5,524	360,542	26,474	73.43	41.19	10,905,446
1952	5,917	374,201	23,282	75.58	44.27	12,521,755
1953	6,292	462,717	32,826	70.94	47.34	15,539,956
1954	6,484	413,315	31,040	75.10	45.37	14,239,032

CENTRAL BANK

The Mauritius Co-Operative Central Bank Limited was registered on the 8th October, 1948, with 97 member societies (39 co-operative credit societies and 8 co-operative stores) and a paid up share capital of Rs 19,600. The managing committee consists of 16 members, 13 of which are elected and 3 nominated by the Registrar, Co-Operative Department. The Committee selects its own Chairman and Vice-Chairman.

The principal statistics relating to the Co-Operative Central Bank at the end of each of the Co-Operative financial years, 1952 - 1953, 1953 - 1954 and 1954 - 1955 are as follows :-

	<u>1952 - 1953</u>	<u>1953 - 1954⁺</u>	<u>1954 - 1955</u>
Borrowing rate	4 - 4½%	4½%	5%
Lending rate	5 - 5½%	5½%	5½%
Membership	128	131	141
	<u>Rs</u>	<u>Rs</u>	<u>Rs</u>
Total Assets	2,796,286	2,320,630	2,985,437
Loans granted	3,675,180	3,715,753	3,840,231
Loans recovered	382,320	1,397,765	1,620,394
Loans outstanding	2,792,360	2,317,988	2,219,867
Total deposits held	491,953	1,141,493	1,639,573
Paid-up Share Capital	166,503	223,579	284,625
Barclays Bank Overdraft	1,983,055	738,519	559,936
Reserve Fund	143,994	210,033	341,797
Net Profit	22,922	36,217	51,230

+ Ten months' operation - 1st May, 1953 to 28th February, 1954.

CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES

Financial and statistical statement for the period 1st March, 1954 to 28th February, 1955.

Type of Society	NUMBER OF		A S S S E T S							TOTAL
	Societies	Members	Cash in hand & at Bank	Loans due by members & societies	Stock in hand and buildings	Furniture & Fittings	Other Items	Rs		
1. Credit (unlimited liability)	152	8,563	795,010	3,156,703	20,467	5,907	349,741	4,327,828		
2. Credit (limited liability)	2	38	350	2,869	-	-	-	3,219		
3. Stores & Canteens	37	10,353	177,688	-	222,516	44,462	271,763	713,529		
4. Central Bank	1	141	59	2,219,868	152,309	3,616	609,085	2,935,437		
5. Wholesale	1	67	89	-	163,904	4,246	37,271	205,510		
6. Thrift & Savings	37	2,412	379,337	-	-	-	4,622	384,459		
7. Marketing	2	1,001	5,693	1,453	-	80	2,117	9,343		
8. Housing	2	160	6,580	-	-	-	-	6,580		
9. Federation of Credit Societies	1	122	57,708	-	-	1,363	3,230	62,301		
10. Printing	1	836	3,443	-	21,312	-	6,343	31,598		
11. Transport	7	367	10,414	-	109,237	-	2,511	122,162		
12. Union	1	181	39,344	-	2,095	1,551	5,356	48,346		
13. School Savings Bank	15	3,455	33,763	-	-	-	-	55,763		
14. Better Living	1	112	1	-	-	112	-	113		
15. TOTAL	290	27,803	1,510,434	5,380,893	692,940	61,337	1,292,069	3,937,693		

Financial and Statistical Statement for the period 1st March, 1954 to 28th February, 1955 (continued)

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	Share Capital	DEPOSITS	Non-Members	Members	LOANS FROM	Co-operative Central Bank	Government	Suspense Account	Barclays Bank overdraft	Sundry Creditors	Reserve Funds	Other Items	Excess of Assets over liabilities	TOTAL	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs
1	452,107	17,449	155,232	2,202,629	18,575	390,955	-	206,352	797,615	32,185	54,679	4,327,823											
2	1,668	7	103	-	-	-	-	-	1,294	30	112	3,219											
3	227,564	-	3,474	-	-	-	-	35,404	160,158	135,508	154,421	716,529											
4	234,626	1,659,439	30,134	-	-	-	-	559,937	239,338	159,212	51,230	2,985,437											
5	51,369	-	50,407	-	-	-	-	11,211	21,000	13,034	42,006	205,510											
6	-	-	377,638	-	-	-	-	-	3,142	2,677	1,002	384,459											
7	7,307	-	9	-	-	215	-	-	2,445	467	- 3,600*	9,343											
8	2,010	-	3,643	-	-	-	-	-	439	405	83	6,580											
9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	500	61,801	-	62,301											
10	27,539	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	570	1,235	2,204	31,598											
11	97,611	-	133	14,119	-	-	-	-	48	1,199	2,795	122,162											
12	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	10,000	14,043	24,796	40,846											
13	-	-	32,981	-	-	-	-	-	-	411	376	33,768											
14	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	98	15	-	113											
15	1,151,851	1,676,895	653,317	2,216,748	18,575	391,170	571,143	263,511	1,236,647	422,227	330,104	3,937,693											

* Loss

REGISTRATION

	1953	1954	1955
	Rs	Rs	Rs
Amount of duties collected	2,362,571	3,401,986	2,956,459

The decrease in the year 1955 was due to a decrease in the number and aggregate value of immovable properties sold.

SUCCESSIONS

	Y E A R								
	1953			1954			1955		
	POPULATION			POPULATION			POPULATION		
	G	I-M	Total	G	I-M	Total	G	I-M	Total
Number of declarations	217	376	593	236	420	653	216	390	606
Total amount of duties in 000' Rupees	418	196	614	626	31	707	449	146	595

G = General; I-M = Indo-Mauritian.

MORTGAGES

	Y E A R		
	1953	1954	1955
Number of inscriptions	3,353	3,300	4,084
Sums secured by inscriptions enrolled	Rs 33,010,335	Rs 23,794,373	Rs 34,287,119
Duties & fees collected	36,505	60,142	77,634

ARCHIVES

	Y E A R		
	1953	1954	1955
Number of books and periodicals deposited	523	631	613
Fees collected	Rs 2,475	Rs 3,632	Rs 11,119

REGISTERED COMPANIES

On the 31st December, 1955, the Register of Companies contained the names of 457 concerns, enumerated as follows :-

Private companies*	305
Public companies ⁺	77
Foreign companies	75

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SALES OF LAND (value):

Sales to	{ General Population	Rs 3,055,462
	{ Indo-Mauritian Population	Rs 6,737,222

SALES OF REAL PROPERTY

	1 9 5 3		1 9 5 4		1 9 5 5	
	No. of sales	Value	No. of sales	Value	No. of sales	Value
		Rs		Rs		Rs
Acquired by:						
General Population	1,232	14,994,663	1,232	15,739,342	1,129	11,764,949
Indo-Mauritian Population	5,157	14,126,793	4,972	14,352,401	4,333	16,332,645

BANKRUPTCY

Number of Bankruptcy Notices brought before Court	138
Number of Bankruptcy Notices struck out	63
Number of Bankruptcy Notices referred to Court	3
Number of Bankruptcy Notices dealt with by the Court	62

* A private company is one which by its articles:

- restricts the rights to transfer its shares;
- limits the number of its members to fifty;
- prohibits any invitation to members of the public to subscribe for any shares or debentures of the company.

+ A public company is constituted by an invitation to members of the public (i.e., to any person) to subscribe for shares. The minimum number of persons required by law for the constitution of a "public company" is seven.

Number of trade licences issued from 1.1.55 to 31.12.55
distributed according to value of licence.

Value of licence	Number of trade licences	% distribution on total of trade licences	Liquor Licences
Rs			
1.00	-	-	-
2.50	138	1.4	-
7.50	67	0.7	-
10.00	3,111	31.8	-
15.00	1,378	19.2	-
25.00	381	3.9	41
40.00	177	1.8	-
45.00	32	0.3	-
50.00	341	3.5	9
55.00	12	0.1	-
60.00	2,854	29.2	-
75.00	482	4.9	72
100.00	96	1.0	1,910
125.00	25	0.3	32
150.00	131	1.3	1,129
175.00	-	-	42
200.00	54	0.5	-
250.00	6	0.1	-
375.00	-	-	-
500.00	-	-	5
Total	9,735	100.0	3,290

The percentage of liquor licences to total number of licences issued was 25

CLASSIFICATION OF TAXABLE INCOMES

I N C O M E S		NUMBER OF CASES - 1954-55	
exceeding	but not exceeding	Individuals	Companies
Rs	Rs		
1	5,000	2,607	55
5,001	10,000	693	17
10,001	15,000	360	7
15,001	25,000	314	13
25,001	50,000	263	14
50,001	100,000	104	17
100,001	250,000	45	13
250,001	500,000	3	2
500,001	750,000	-	3
750,001	1,000,000	-	3
	Over 1,000,000	-	11
	Total	4,394	161

These figures refer only to those individuals and companies who actually paid tax or were assessed for the year 1954 - 1955.

TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATION
OVERSEAS SHIPPING

	Vessels entering the port during the year		Vessels leaving the port during the year	
	Number	Tonnage	Number	Tonnage
<u>British & Foreign</u> Steam Vessels	298	1,229,585	300	1,227,036
<u>Coasting</u> Steam vessels	38	14,239	35	12,953

PASSENGER TRAFFIC BY SEA AND AIR

Country of origin or destination	ARRIVING AT MAURITIUS FROM			LEAVING MAURITIUS FOR		
	Sea	Air	Total	Sea	Air	Total
British Isles	231	78	309	232	105	337
France	363	232	595	277	347	624
Other European countries	2	4	6	3	12	20
Algeria, Egypt	31	5	36	123	16	144
British East Africa*	249	365	614	279	432	711
Southern Rhodesia	4	2	6	5	14	19
U.S. Africa	331	274	605	432	277	709
Portuguese East Africa	167	-	167	153	20	173
Belgian Congo	1	-	1	-	-	-
India	243	4	252	323	47	370
Ceylon	55	-	55	59	-	59
Hong Kong	131	18	149	173	10	183
Singapore	92	-	92	44	2	46
Australia	10	370	380	24	369	393
Seychelles	27	-	27	66	-	66
Madagascar	593	566	1,159	655	596	1,251
Reunion	449	1,424	1,873	509	912	1,421
Other countries	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dependencies of Mauritius	559	-	559	419	-	419
Total	3,548	3,342	6,890⁺	3,346	3,159	7,005[@]

* The place of origin and destination of the majority of these passengers was probably the British Isles or India.

+ Excluding 326 discharged seamen and 1,163 passengers in transit

@ Excluding 340 engaged seamen and 1,133 passengers in transit.

IMMIGRATION, EMIGRATION AND TRAVEL

Of the total number of persons who entered and left the Colony during the year, 128 were immigrants and 100 emigrants.

1,276 passports were issued by the Police, 332 were renewed and 147 were visaed.

GROSS TONNAGE OF MERCHANDISE HANDLED IN PORT LOUIS HARBOUR⁺

Year	In metric tons		
	Exports [©]	Imports	Total
1938	309,000	219,000	528,000
1949	475,000	300,000	775,000
1950	394,000	280,000	674,000
1951	550,000	277,000	827,000
1952	548,000	320,000	868,000
1953	576,000	329,000	905,000
1954	608,000	316,000	924,000
1955	544,000	360,000	904,000

Number of vessels registered in the Harbour of Port Louis at the beginning of 1955

	Number	Tonnage
Motor vessels	2	387
Sailing vessels	4	28
Steam vessels	4	3,448

H A R B O U RTransport in Port Louis Harbour

Number of transport crafts used by Docks and lighterage companies:

Lighters	...	135
Tugs	...	10
Water boats	...	2
Launches	...	22
Coasters	...	3

Number of transport crafts used by the Harbour and Customs Department:

Tugs	...	6
Launches	...	4
Number of plying boats		1

Number of private plying boats 13

Gross tonnage handled at the Granary:

Commodities	{ Imported	56,643
	{ Local	Nil

© Includes value of ships' stores and bunkers

+ Excluding gross tonnage of merchandise to and from the dependencies of Mauritius.

AIR SERVICESAIR TRAFFIC: PLAISANCE AIRPORT

Type of Aircraft Movement	NUMBER OF MOVEMENTS		
	Landings	Take-offs	Total
Scheduled Services	160	160	320
Charter	-	-	-
Other Commercial	-	-	-
Test Training	-	-	-
Private	-	-	-
Military (British & Foreign)	1	1	2
Other non-commercial	-	-	-
All Movements	161	161	322
Diverted movements (included in the above figures)	-	-	-

PASSENGER TRAFFIC BY AIR

	Number		Category by age				Nationality		TOTAL
	Males	Females	Infant	Child	Adult	Nationality			
						British	Foreign		
<u>INWARDS</u>									
Air France	1,926	1,142	6	248	2,814	1,684	1,384	3,068	
Qantas Empire Airways	193	81	2	11	261	133	86	274 [ⓐ]	
Total	2,119	1,223	8	259	3,075	1,872	1,470	3,342	
<u>OUTWARDS</u>									
Air France	1,303	1,079	5	244	2,633	1,570	1,312	2,882	
Qantas Empire Airways	199	78	-	19	258	204	73	277 [ⓐ]	
Total	2,802	1,157	5	263	2,891	1,774	1,385	3,159	

AIR LINE	PASSENGER TRAFFIC + (Inwards and Outwards)						TOTAL
	British Isles	France	British E. Africa	South Africa	Australia	Madagascar & Réunion		Other Countries
Air France	2.8	8.9	12.3	-	-	53.8	80.1
Qantas Empire Airways	-	-	-	8.5	11.4	-	19.9

ⓐ This figure excludes 1,168 passengers in transit.

+ % of total passengers carried by air.

SUMMARY OF TRAFFIC HANDLED

Aerodrome: Plaisance Airport

TYPE OF TRAFFIC	TYPE OF AIR TRANSPORT MOVEMENT ²									
	SCHEDULED		CHARTER		MILITARY TRANSPORT		ALL AIR TRANSPORT			
	Set down	Picked up	Set down	Picked up	Set down	Picked up	Set down	Picked up	Set down	Picked up
Loads Set down & Picked up	3,342	3,159	Nil	Nil	12	9	3,354	3,168	38,135	26,538
Passengers ⁺ 1 Commercial freight (kilos)										
Post Office Mail (Kilos)	19,129	6,639	-	-	-	-	19,129	6,639		
Loads in transit ³		1,168	-	-	-	-		1,168		
Passengers ⁺ Commercial freight (kilos)		5,531	-	-	-	-		5,531		

NOTE: Commercial freight set down excludes baggage (58,551 kgs) and Diplomatic Mail (1,777 kgs).
Commercial freight picked up excludes baggage (68,151 kgs) and Diplomatic Mail (794 kgs).

1. Commercial freight excludes excess baggage, diplomatic freight, post office mail and diplomatic mail.

2. Including diverted movements.

3. The definition of "Loads in transit" implies that, generally, the figures under "Set down" and "Picked up" are identical.

An exception might be when an aeroplane remains at the aerodrome over the night of 31st December.

+ Excludes non-paying passengers, i.e. personnel connected with the operation of the Air Service.

INTERNAL COMMUNICATIONSRAILWAYSMileage Table

	Main lines (miles)	Range of levels (feet)
MIDLAND: Port Louis to Mahebourg	35½ +	Sea level) 1,800
NORTH : Port Louis to Grand River South East	31	to) 280
MOKA : Rose Hill to St. Pierre	4½	950 - 1,450
SAVANNE: Souillac to Rose Belle	11	Sea level to 870
Total miles of main lines	82	

+ 4 miles of the Midland line are double line sections :-

(a) Port Louis to Pailles; (b) Petite Rivière to Beau Bassin

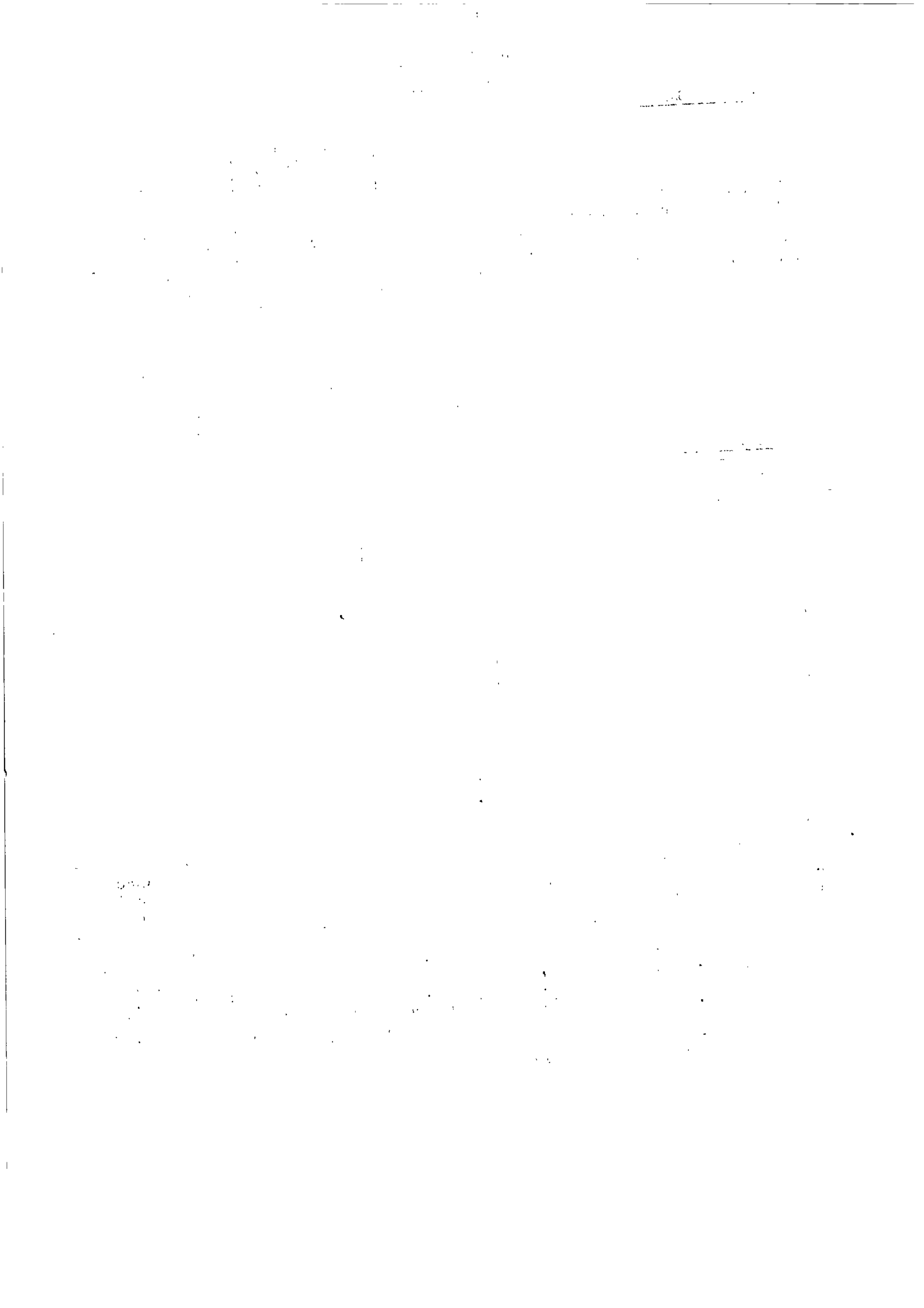
ROLLING STOCK

Year	Locomotives	Passenger stock [@]	Waggons
1932	55	187	765
1937	50	180	733
1947	49	171	720
1948	49	173	701
1949	49	178	701
1950	49	170	693
1951	49	169	675
1952	47	167	677
1953	47	167	675
1954	47	167	662
1955	47	167	662

@ Including all passenger-carrying cars and railcars, baggage cars and railway-owned postal vans.

PASSENGER TRAFFIC

Year ended 30th June	Number of passengers carried	Number of parcels carried	Passengers gross ton miles	Passenger vehicle mile	Passenger train mileage
1948	3,435,385	173,136	17,479,500	1,747,950	217,461
1949	2,999,672	154,243	15,007,750	1,500,750	213,976
1950	2,844,841	150,505	15,331,130	1,533,113	209,925
1951	2,395,264	137,385	11,685,980	1,168,598	156,108
1952	2,088,085	127,537	9,927,622	888,358	117,594
1953	2,128,966	115,789	10,047,214	898,273	117,275
1954	1,809,864	102,343	9,292,662	838,773	108,342
1955	1,126,846	57,725	6,827,923	626,450	77,910



GOODS TRAFFIC

Year ended 30th June	R A I L				R O A D	
	Sugar	Sugar canes	General Merchan- dise	Total	Goods train mileage	Sugar & general merchan- dise
	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons	Miles	Tons
1946	130,002	53,003	121,869	304,874	103,216	24,592
1947	282,762	72,647	107,344	462,753	126,163	40,527
1948	529,992	60,501	100,731	500,230	129,872	37,725
1949	373,952	21,164	91,474	486,620	126,849	33,373
1950	392,734	14,169	81,335	488,238	126,265	43,206
1951	405,745	5,150	71,314	482,209	123,904	60,931
1952	409,596	5,223	82,005	496,829	121,633	31,657
1953	399,360	4,423	66,323	470,111	121,102	79,163
1954	431,427	3,432	55,306	490,665	117,375	32,593
1955	418,444	2,394	50,674	471,512	120,516	77,744

The total Freight Ton-miles for the year ended 30th June, 1955, was 19,173,695.

PERCENTAGE DISTRIBUTION OF THE TONNAGE OF GOODS TRAFFIC BY RAIL

Year ended 30th June	Sugar	Sugarcanes	General Merchandise
	%	%	%
1946	42.6	17.4	40.0
1947	61.1	15.7	23.2
1948	66.0	13.9	20.1
1949	76.9	4.3	18.8
1950	80.4	2.0	16.7
1951	84.1	1.1	14.8
1952	82.4	1.1	16.5
1953	85.0	1.0	14.0
1954	87.9	0.7	11.4
1955	88.7	0.5	10.8

Coal and Lubricating oil consumption⁺

Consumption of coal by railways	11,184	metric tons
" " " per train mile	62.5	kgs
" " " per engine mile	40.5	kgs
" " lubricating oil (engines, carriages & waggons)	44,000	litres

Railway accidents⁺

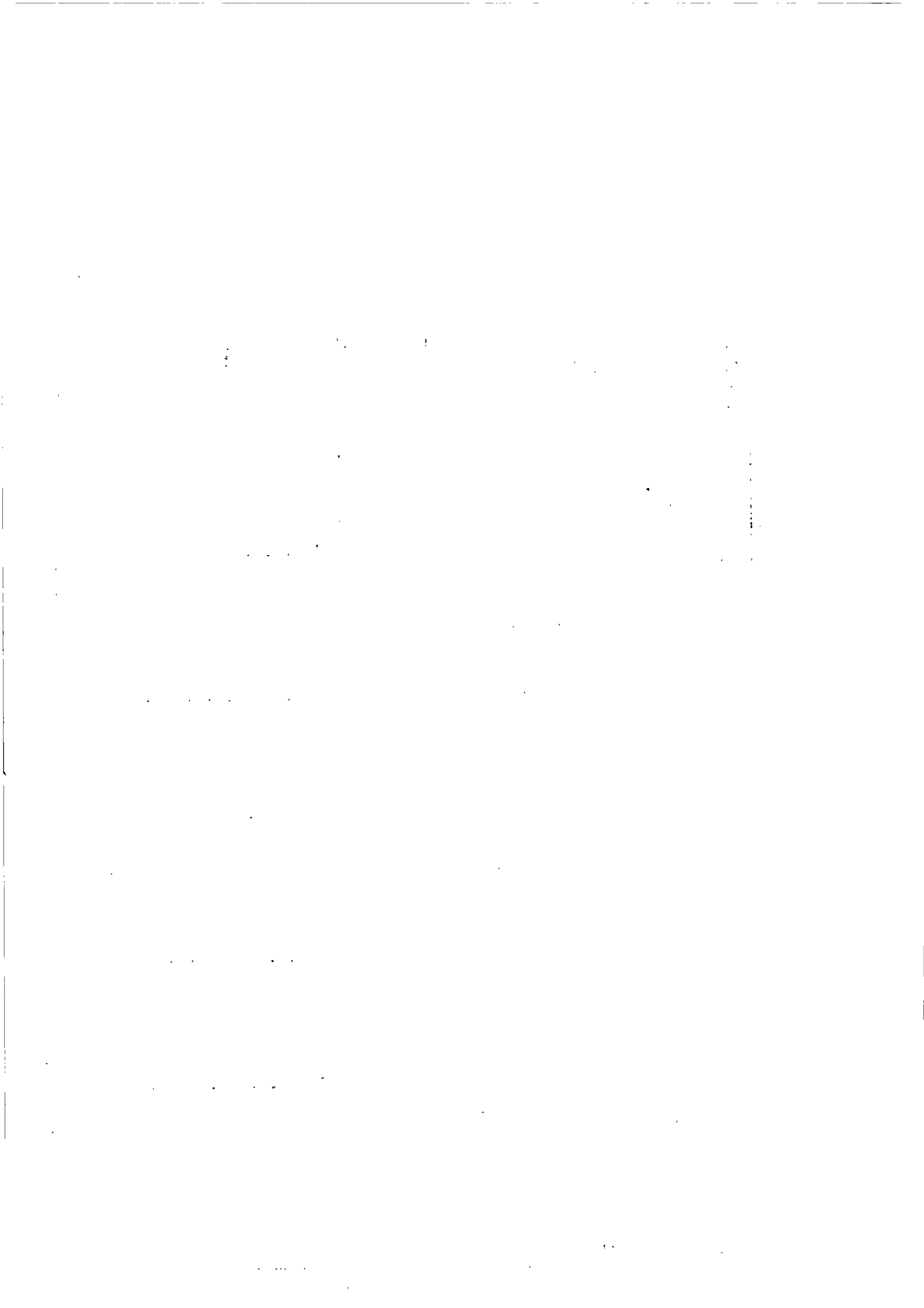
Injuries to:	<u>Number of cases</u>
Accounts & Stores personnel	2
Maintenance of ways and works	
Branch personnel	296
Transport personnel	144
Mechanical Branch personnel	849

1,292

Cases necessitating reference
to Injuries Committee

35

+ Period 1st July 1954 to 30th June, 1955.



EXPENDITURE

The operating expenditure under various heads is now given for 1954 - 1955 and each of the previous 7 financial years.

Year ended 30th June	In Rupees						Expenditure per train mile
	Maintenance of ways and works	Mechanical	Transportation	Head Office and Gen- eral Charges	Miscellaneous	Total Expenditure	
1943	594,292	392,708	1,946,846	1,332,484	675,332	4,941,962	14.16
1949	641,005	429,324	2,092,506	1,387,652	607,730	5,164,267	15.08
1950	656,977	447,419	2,182,329	1,544,322	945,793	5,784,140	17.15
1951	616,888	433,101	2,408,504	1,596,207	574,039	5,628,739	19.90
1952	489,100	463,896	2,565,073	2,110,741	960,369	6,597,679	26.65
1953	776,492	750,000	3,536,451	2,007,588	513,221	7,586,752	30.99
1954	1,116,671	753,034	3,792,791	2,007,588	595,794	6,949,908	29.61
1955	1,233,122	346,051	3,407,459	365,153	540,997	6,451,532	31.15

Proportion of Net Rail Expenditure for the year ended 30th June, 1955 :-

Passenger 28.1%; Goods 71.9%.

SUGAR INDUSTRY - TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT

METAL TRACK		LOCOMOTIVES			WAGGONS		HAULAGE TRACTORS		TRAILERS		LORRIES OR TRUCKS +		ANIMAL DRAWN CARTS +			
Gauge	Minimum	Normally used	Total length	Total No.		Total H.P.	Total number		Total capacity		Total number		Total capacity			
				Steam	Internal Combustion		Internal Combustion	Steam	Internal Combustion	Steam	Internal Combustion	Internal Combustion	Steam	Internal Combustion	Internal Combustion	Steam
cms.	cms.	cms.	kms.													
143.5	60	75 & 80	1,950	117	90	5,700	6,800	9,000	40,300	90	410	2,200	280	1,340	120	100

+ The small number of lorries and carts owned by larger estates and plantations is not representative of the actual number of these vehicles used in the Sugar Industry, a great number being in addition hired for the harvest or for specific purposes.

ROAD TRANSPORT

Mauritius is provided with a well-developed road system, consisting of some 71½ miles of main and branch roads, most of which are suitable for motor traffic. All the roads are metalled and about 350 miles are bitumen coated.

The road network, however, requires constant improvement in relation to the rapidly expanding traffic and plans for future requirements are at present under examination.

At the end of 1955 the number of road vehicles registered in the Colony were :-

Private cars	5,532
Motor cycles	619
Commercial vehicles :-	
Taxis	953
Buses	309
Lorries ⁺	1,039
Haulage Tractors	120
Colonial Government vehicles	379

+ including van carriers.

Passenger Traffic

The number of public service vehicles carrying passengers continues to increase as is shown in the following table :-

	<u>1945</u>	<u>1950</u>	<u>1954</u>	<u>1955</u>
Buses	135	163	270	309
Taxis	323	303	913	953

Improvement in the design and construction of buses has continued and is revealed in the following figures of seats provided :-

1952	...	6,323
1953	...	7,048
1954	...	8,966
1955	...	9,913

The bus industry has now settled down in Company organisation. The number of Passenger Bus Transport Companies during 1955 was 13, increasing to 14 at the end of the year; the new Company, however, is a special concern catering for the requirements of transient air and sea passengers. It also has plans for providing sightseeing tours for visitors to the island. All seventy nine licensed routes now work to a specified time table. Some changes were made in the time tables of the Companies, in order to provide improved services and eliminate uneconomic operations. A number of services in the lesser populated areas had to be abandoned because of the extremely bad state of the roads, entailing heavy repair expenditure. Consideration has been given, in this connexion, to the advisability of replacing, when financial resources permit, the present rolling stock by more robust and heavily built vehicles, which would adequately meet the challenge of the poor operating conditions. Consideration has also been given to the provision of adequate and efficient repair and maintenance facilities, at present much needed.

The average number of passengers carried by bus has risen from 84,000 per day in 1954 to 94,000 in 1955 and is still increasing. At the end of 1955 the number of daily travellers was estimated to be 100,000 for a revenue of Rs 22,000.

In the capital, Port Louis, the urban transport services were reviewed in the course of the year; some lesser economic routes were abandoned, while the services of other routes were improved. At present, the minimum fare is 15 cents.

There were, during the year, 1,961 licences granted for Special Route Services, this class of enterprise being, as a rule, more remunerative than the ordinary service.

OPERATIONAL STATISTICS

	<u>No. of passen- gers carried</u>	<u>Number of vehicle journeys</u>	<u>Number of vehicle miles</u>	<u>Receipts Rs</u>
1955	34,378,937	1,000,528	11,107,917	7,918,804
1954	30,859,712	965,812	9,311,090	7,195,454
Increase	3,519,225	34,716	1,296,827	723,350
<u>Daily Averages :-</u>				
1955	94,138	2,741	30,432	21,695
1954	84,602	2,649	26,879	19,713
Increase	9,536	92	3,553	1,982
	<u>Average Revenue for</u>	<u>Passenger Journey cents</u>	<u>Vehicle Journey Rs cs</u>	<u>Vehicle Mile cents</u>
	1955	23	7.91	71
	1954	23	7.45	73

GOODS TRAFFIC

The number of lorries⁺ continues also to increase as follows :-

	<u>1945</u>	<u>1950</u>	<u>1955</u>
Lorries	446	1,039	1,939

+ Including van carriers.

These lorries are used for the transport of goods from Port Louis and internally in the island. They are also required for the conveyance of sugar cane to the factories and of other goods produced in the colony. The main bulk of manufactured sugar and heavy goods are transported by the Government Railways under a protective ordinance.

LICENCES TO DRIVE MOTOR VEHICLES

Number of applicants for a driving licence	3,782
Number of new licences issued	1,054
Number of licences issued to learners	2,769
Number of licences renewed :-	
Professional drivers	5,804
Owner drivers	4,450*
	10,254

Number of International Driving permits issued 314[©]

* Including 466 ladies

© Including 56 ladies

ROAD ACCIDENTS

	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955
Fatal	46	46	44	53	55	52
Serious	79	111	161	79	100	95
Not serious (but minor injuries to persons)	811	967	1,167	1,238	1,296	1,387
Trifling	1,263	1,928	2,442	3,028	3,019	2,854
Total	2,199	3,052	3,814	4,398	4,470	4,388

MONTHLY AND YEARLY MEANS AND EXTREMES OF THE METEOROLOGICAL ELEMENTS
(Royal Alfred Observatory, Pamplemousses, 55 metres above mean sea level)

Month	TEMPERATURE OF THE AIR				Mean difference between dry and wet bulb temperatures °C	Relative humidity (Sat = 100) %	RAINFALL		
	Absolute maxima °C	Absolute minima °C	Daily Range Highest Lowest °C	Mean daily Maxima °C			Mean daily Minima °C	Amount recorded by the Dines' pluviograph mms.	Duration hours
January	34.9	17.6	14.2 6.6	31.2	22.5	26.5	71.7	70.2	9.5
February	34.2	17.7	16.5 4.0	30.0	21.9	25.5	76.8	517.5	67.8
March	32.6	20.4	11.6 3.5	30.4	26.1	26.4	87.6	430.8	45.4
April	30.7	18.4	10.8 5.4	29.2	21.1	24.8	78.3	151.2	22.1
May	29.7	16.8	9.2 4.2	27.2	19.4	23.0	78.5	140.9	26.5
June	26.0	14.5	9.2 3.6	25.0	18.1	21.3	83.1	91.3	25.6
July	25.7	13.9	10.7 2.7	24.7	17.0	20.6	77.6	64.3	23.2
August	25.9	13.4	12.0 4.3	25.2	17.3	21.0	79.1	67.2	23.6
September	26.4	13.9	11.9 4.9	25.8	17.4	21.3	74.4	63.2	32.0
October	23.7	13.0	12.7 5.1	27.0	17.6	22.0	71.8	32.2	8.4
November	31.2	16.3	14.4 6.9	30.5	20.1	25.0	71.8	56.4	9.0
December	32.1	13.3	13.2 4.2	30.3	21.3	25.4	79.1	91.3	18.8
YEAR	29.9	16.2	-	23.0	19.7	23.6	77.5	1,776.5	311.9
Maximum 14th January	34.9	-	16.5 1st February	31.2	23.1	26.5	87.6	214.7 mms. in 18.6 hours on 27th February	-
Minimum	-	13.0 15th October	2.7 23rd July	24.7	17.0	20.6	71.7	-	-

MONTHLY AND YEARLY MEANS AND EXTREMES OF THE METEOROLOGICAL ELEMENTS (continued)

MONTH	Daily Duration of Bright Sunshine Hours	% of Possible Sunshine	Rain over 0.1 in. No. of days	Lightning and/or thunder No. of days	Wind Speed in knots		
					Mean	Highest over a whole hour	Highest gust
January	9.56	72.7	16	1	4.3	8	20
February	6.40	55.7	22	4	4.5	26	43
March	5.23	43.0	24	9	3.3	14	33
April	5.31	74.0	14	-	4.9	10	24
May	8.11	72.9	19	2	4.4	10	24
June	6.89	65.3	20	-	3.9	17	31
July	6.97	63.3	17	-	3.7	13	29
August	7.65	67.1	21	-	7.3	14	26
September	7.37	63.3	22	-	9.2	15	27
October	6.22	49.7	14	-	4.6	10	22
November	9.01	71.6	6	-	5.2	11	22
December	9.33	73.9	25	2	5.9	14	23
YEAR	7.63	64.4	218	13	5.9	-	-
MAXIMUM	12.6 8th January	97 3th January	-	-	9.2 September	26 February	43 27th February
MINIMUM	0.0 often	0.0 often	-	-	3.3 March	-	-

TOTAL ANNUAL RAINFALL AT SELECTED STATIONS

Region	S T A T I O N		Inches	No. of days		
West	Port Louis Black River	Abercrombie Nursery	59.54	175		
		Pierre Fonds	59.06	103		
		Palmyre	50.66	79		
		Govt. School, Bambous	30.31	38		
		La Ferme	49.71	67		
		Médane	37.10	90		
North & North West	Pamplemousses	Botanical Gardens	72.09	191		
		La Nicolière	109.24	209		
		The Observatory	69.94	213		
North & North East	Rivière du Rempart	California	121.00	137		
		Antoinette	96.59	133		
		Labourdonnais	87.31	140		
		Mon Loisir	70.21	117		
Centre	Moka	Ravensworth	93.53	145		
		Beau Séjour	73.10	157		
		Alma	135.36	223		
		Bonne Veine	152.10	222		
		Minissy	70.46	169		
		Hermitage	92.16	175		
		Mon Désert	91.16	205		
		Le Réduit	67.04	134		
		Piton du Milieu (Réservoir)	164.90	255		
		Plaines Wilhelms	Aerological Station	94.37	242	
				Mare-aux-Vacoas (Arnaud)	171.32	252
				Réunion	90.60	134
				Midlands Dam	136.25	216
				Dagatelle	91.23	173
La Lorie	109.21			199		
Curepipe Gardens	144.13			230		
Pétrin	151.11			260		
East	Flacq	Highlands	113.40	204		
		Constance La Galeté	84.04	160		
		Sans Souci	196.37	250		
		Beau Champ	30.75	160		
		Belle Rive	130.33	223		
		Trois Ilots	122.03	175		
South East	Grand Port	Rick Fund	190.73	202		
		Rose Belle	165.04	242		
		New Grove	161.23	222		
		Deux Bras	154.73	203		
		Union Vale	102.40	194		
		Mon Trésor	110.75	162		
		Mon Désert Carié	32.73	171		
		Forney	110.70	125		
		Sauveterre	64.35	160		
South	Savanne	St Hubert (Cluny)	203.33	129		
		Beau Climat	176.26	193		
		La Flora	163.42	214		
		Britannia	117.06	103		
		Savannah	86.43	205		
		Combo	112.01	193		
		Fontenelle	102.33	130		
		Colmar	126.73	203		
		Tivoli	175.40	220		
		Terracine	95.33	200		
		Riche Bois	114.73	220		
		Frederica	79.15	137		