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This is the twelfth issue of the Annual Statistical Digest for the Colony of Mauritius, prepared and published by the Central Statistical Office.

While every endeavour is made to preserve continuity with the previous issues, the material already published is yet subjected to careful scrutiny and revision with a view to improving the coverage, quality and usefulness of the statistics presented.

With the present issue, and in order to meet numerous requests for information, some new features have thus been introduced in Trade and a chapter added on Construction.

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Director of Statistics.

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DEMOGRAPHY

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, 1957[+]

	POPULATION			
	General	Indo-Mauritian	Chinese	Total
Males	84,278	205,821	11,926	302,025
Females	89,315	196,050	9,231	294,596
Total	173,593	401,871	21,157	596,621

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 597,100.

\+ Based initially on Census enumeration of June, 1952.

CONSTITUTION OF THE RESIDENT POPULATION

Year	General	Indo-Mauritian	Chinese
1957	29.1%	67.4%	3.5%

MOVEMENT OF THE CIVIL POPULATION[x] DURING THE YEAR

	General			Indo-Mauritian			Chinese			Total[@]
	Males	Fem.	Total	Males	Fem.	Total	Mal.	Fem.	Total	
Arrivals	3,639	2,278	5, 917	926	385	1,311	591	276	867	8,095
Departures	3,694	2,314	6,008	1,032	426	1,458	583	218	801	8,267

x 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.

@ Arrivals: Resident Population = 5,033; Non-resident = 3,062

Departures: " " = 5,269; " " = 2,998

ESTIMATED POPULATION BY DISTRICT AS AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1957

DISTRICT	Area in Square Miles	GENERAL			INDO-MAURITIAN			CHINESE			TOTAL		
		Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Fem.	Total	Males	Females	Total
Port-Louis	16	18,230	19,874	38,104	26,604	25,713	52,317	5,691	5,033	10,724	50,525	50,620	101,145
Pamplemousses	69	3,582	3,870	7,452	20,247	19,589	39,836	348	237	585	24,177	23,696	47,873
Riviere du Rempart	57½	3,883	3,955	7,838	21,184	20,122	41,306	303	177	480	25,370	24,254	49,624
Flacq	115	6,246	6,245	12,491	28,002	26,903	54,905	598	345	943	34,846	33,493	68,339
Grand Port	101	7,580	7,649	15,229	23,293	21,927	45,220	779	519	1,298	31,652	30,095	61,747
Savanne	93½	4,435	4,438	8,873	16,296	15,798	32,094	527	336	863	21,258	20,572	41,830
Plaines Wilhems	79	34,345	37,223	71,568	51,989	48,449	100,438	3,119	2,216	5,335	89,453	87,888	177,341
Moka	89	2,604	2,672	5,276	13,708	13,213	26,921	390	260	650	16,702	16,145	32,847
Black River	101	3,373	3,389	6,762	4,498	4,336	8,834	171	108	279	8,042	7,833	15,875
Whole Island	720	84,278	89,315	173,593	205,821	196,050	401,871	11,926	9,231	21,157	302,025	294,596	596,621

RESIDENT POPULATION TRENDS 1925 - 1957

Year	Ratio of births to deaths	Natural[x] 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	- 8.9	- 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	+ 5,486	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	+ 15,882	+ 180,805	+ 28.9	+ 21,014	559,932
1956	3.70	+ 18,171	+ 198,976	+ 31.9	+ 19,191	579,123
1957	3.32	+ 17,670	+ 216,646	+ 30.1	+ 17,498	596,621

In the course of the 33-year period ending with 1957, the natural increase has amounted to 55.9% of the original population.

[x]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	22,968	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
1956	24,910	6,739	18,171	681
1957	25,273	7,603	17,670	662

The figure of 25,273 numbering the total of live births during the year 1957 was the highest on record and was in excess of the figure for 1956 by 363.

The total number of deaths was higher than in the previous year. The excess of births over deaths or natural increase of population was 562% above the quinquennial prewar average (1935 - 1939).

The natural growth during the year was 17,670, a number which is about seven times the corresponding average (2,670) for the five prewar years (1935 - 1939). This increase for 1957 was 3% lower than the figure for 1956.

The total of natural growth has in fact increased the whole Mauritian resident population of the end of 1945 by 38.9% in the interval of the twelve post-war years.

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

	PRE-WAR PERIOD	POST-WAR PERIOD	Change from pre-war
	Annual Average	Annual Average	
	1933 - 1937	1953 - 1957	
Births	13,641	23,795	+ 10,154
Deaths	10,631	7,638	- 2,993
Birth rate@	33.8	43.2	+ 9.4
Death rate@	26.3	13.9	- 12.4
Ratio: Births / Deaths	1.29	3.12	+ 142%
Natural increase	3,010	16,157	+ 13,147
Rate of Natural Increase@	7.45	29.36	+ 294%

*Excess of births over deaths.

@Per thousand of population.

VITAL AND SOCIAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS AND BIRTH RATES

DISTRICT	BIRTHS	CRUDE RATES+
Port Louis	4,713	47.4
Pamplemousses	1,840	39.0
Riviere du Rempart	2,290	47.0
Flacq	3,063	45.6
Grand Port	2,638	43.4
Savanne	1,858	45.3
Plaines Wilhems	6,946	39.7
Moka	1,243	38.4
Black River	682	43.6
Whole Island	25,273	43.1

BIRTH RATES+ FOR THE WHOLE ISLAND - 1930 - 1957

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	48.1
1940	29.2	1953	46.3
1941	32.2	1954	41.3
1942	32.5	1955	41.8
		1956	43.8
		1957	43.1

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

BIRTHS BY MONTH FOR THE WHOLE ISLAND - 1957

Month	Number of Births
January	2,450
February	2,018
March	1,954
April	1,734
May	1,873
June	1,693
July	2,010
August	2,072
September	2,145
October	2,549
November	2,417
December	2,358
TOTAL	25,273

SEX OF CHILDREN BORN

T O T A L P O P U L A T I O N		
Males	Females	Male births per 1,000 female births
12,911	12,362	1,044

BIRTH RATES

The crude birth rate for the population decreased by 1.6% over that of last year. The natural increase of the population has amounted to nearly 81,000 souls in the course of the last five years.

The crude birth rate has now reached a level 27.5% higher than the average of the five pre-war years (1933 - 1937).

BIRTHS AND BIRTH RATES[@] SPECIFIC TO AGE OF MOTHER - YEAR 1957

Age of mother in years	Female Population	Number of live births	Birth rate[+] specific to age of mother
13 - 14	11,285	52	4.6
15 - 19	23,948	3,503	146.3
20 - 24	21,899	6,803	310.7
25 - 29	21,018	5,892	280.3
30 - 34	20,005	4,828	241.3
35 - 39	15,231	2,575	169.1
40 - 44	13,233	752	56.8
45 - 49	10,774	93	8.6
50 - 54	8,640	6	0.7
TOTAL	146,033	24,504	167.8

[@]General and Indo-Mauritian population only. The tabulation includes 1,832 births (7.5%) for which the age of the mother was not stated. These have been redistributed proportionally among the rest.

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

NUMBER OF LIVE BIRTHS BY TOTAL[*] BIRTH ORDER - YEAR 1957

General & Indo-Mauritian Population

Birth Order (parity)	Number of live births	% distribution	Birth rate[++] by birth order
First	4,134	16.9	28.3
Second	3,958	16.2	27.1
Third	3,588	14.6	24.6
Fourth	3,083	12.6	21.1
Fifth	2,459	10.0	16.9
Sixth	1,932	7.9	13.2
Seventh	1,308	5.3	9.0
Eighth	910	3.7	6.2
Ninth	588	2.4	4.0
Tenth & higher	736	3.0	5.0
Unknown	1,808	7.4	12.4
TOTAL	24,504	100.0	167.8

[*] i.e. includive of still-births.

[++] Number of live births in each birth order per 1,000 female population aged 13 - 54 years.

DEATHS AND DEATH RATES

DISTRICT	DEATHS	CRUDE RATES+
Port Louis	1,553	15.6
Pamplemousses	584	12.4
Riviere du Rempart	558	11.4
Flacq	762	11.4
Grand Port	898	14.8
Savanne	500	12.2
Plaines Wilhems	2,096	12.0
Moka	386	11.9
Black River	266	17.0
Whole Island	7,603	13.0

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

Deaths and Death Rates

The total number of deaths in 1957 was higher 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
1933	27.3	1946	29.5
1934	25.7	1947	20.1
1935	26.5	1948	23.8
1936	26.4	1949	16.6
1937	28.8	1950	13.9
1938	29.9	1951	14.9
1939	28.0	1952	14.8
1940	25.5	1953	16.1
1941	25.6	1954	16.0
1942	29.2	1955	12.9
1943	25.9	1956	11.8
1944	27.1	1957	13.0
1945	36.1		

DEATHS BY MONTH FOR THE WHOLE ISLAND - 1957

Month	Number of Deaths
January	602
February	570
March	568
April	526
May	554
June	603
July	679
August	920
September	687
October	691
November	600
December	603
TOTAL	7,603

NUMBER OF DEATHS BY AGE AND SEX (TOTAL POPULATION)

Age	Males	Females	Total
Under 1	1,017	880	1,897
1 - 4	495	550	1,045
5 - 9	84	90	174
10 - 14	33	42	75
15 - 19	53	72	125
20 - 24	53	98	151
25 - 34	157	210	367
35 - 44	301	201	502
45 - 54	502	230	732
55 - 64	620	341	961
65 - 74	508	438	946
75 - 84	167	319	486
85 & over	28	113	141
Not stated	1	-	1
All Ages	4,019	3,584	7,603

MARRIAGES

DISTRICT	POPULATION		
	General*	Indo-Mauritian	Total
Port Louis	391	280	671
Pamplemousses	51	137	188
Riviere du Rempart	48	163	211
Flacq	87	225	312
Grand Port	119	138	257
Savanne	58	108	166
Plaines Wilhems	489	424	913
Moka	29	101	130
Black River	41	14	55
Whole Island	1,313	1,590	2,903
Crude Rate+	13.7	8.1	9.9

* includes Chinese.

MARRIAGE RATES

The marriage rate in the population for 1957 remains 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:

Period	Rate+	% increase on pre-war average rate
1934-38	9.5x	-
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
1956	10.8	14
1957	9.9	4

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

xPre-war annual average rate.

DIVORCES

Grounds on which Divorce pronounced	POPULATION			
	General	Into-Mauritian	Chinese	Total
Adultery by husband	4	9	1	14
Adultery by wife	17	20	1	38
Adultery, desertion and injures graves by wife	-	1	-	1
Adultery and desertion by husband	-	1	-	1
Adultery and desertion by wife	-	2	-	2
Adultery and injures graves by husband	4	3	-	7
Adultery and injures graves by wife	5	5	1	11
Adultery, injures graves and sevices by wife	1	-	-	1
Desertion by husband	1	-	-	1
Desertion by wife	-	1	-	1
Desertion and injures graves by husband	-	1	-	1
Desertion and injures graves by wife	-	1	-	1
Exces, injures graves and sevices by husband	1	-	1	2
Injures graves by husband	13	14	1	28
Injures graves by wife	10	11	-	21
Injures graves & sevices by husband	5	-	-	5
Injures graves & sevices by wife	1	-	-	1
Sevices by husband	1	-	-	1
Sevices by wife	1	1	-	2
Adultery by husband 'a mensa et thoro'	1	-	-	1
Injuries graves & sevices by husband 'a mensa et thoro'	-	1	-	1
	65	71	5	141

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

Number of Children	Number of Divorces
No child	68
1 child	32
2 children	23
3 "	11
4 "	6
5 "	1
TOTAL	141

Total number of children = 140

NUMBER OF DIVORCES BY DURATION OF MARRIAGE

Duration of marriage	Number of Divorces
Under 1 year	-
1 "	6
2 years	6
3 "	7
4 "	11
5 "	18
6 "	6
7 "	12
8 "	18
9 "	9
10 to 14 years	27
15 " 19 "	15
20 years and over	6
TOTAL	141

STILL-BIRTHS

DISTRICT	TOTAL POPULATION		
	Males	Females	Total
Port Louis	144	161	305
Pamplemousses	59	48	107
Riviere du Rempart	74	66	140
Flacq	135	104	239
Grand Port	119	93	212
Savanne	89	72	161
Plaines Wilhems	247	239	486
Moka	55	55	110
Black River	27	13	40
Whole Island	949	851	1,800

Total of still-births ... 1,800
% to live births ... 7.1
% to total births ... 6.6

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.

The number of still-births during the year was 1,800, an increase of 11 (0.6%) on the number for 1956.

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
1956	7.2
1957	7.1

+ percentage to live-births.

INFANTILE MORTALITY (TOTAL POPULATION)

A G E	EXCLUSIVE OF STILL-BIRTHS			Death rate+ under one year (per 1,000 live births)	INCLUSIVE OF STILL - BIRTHS (x)			
	Males	Females	Total		Males	Females	Total	Death Rate+ (per 1,000 births)
Under 3 months	654	498	1,152	45.6	1,603	1,349	2,952	109.0
3 months and under 6 months	147	152	299	57.4			299	120.1
6 months and under 12 months	216	230	446	75.1			446	136.6
1 year and under 2 years	242	250	492					
2 years and under 3 years	128	152	280					
3 years and under 4 years	75	98	173					
4 years and under 5 years	50	50	100					
	1,512	1,430	2,942					

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

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

INFANTILE MORTALITY RATES+

Year	Rate
1946	145.2
1947	113.9
1948	186.2
1949	91.0
1950	76.3
1951	83.5
1952	80.8
1953	93.5
1954	81.1
1955	67.2
1956	66.0
1957	75.1

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

CAUSES OF DEATH - INFANTILE MORTALITY

Section@	C A U S E	Under 1 year	1 to 5 years
1	Infective and Parasitic Diseases	99	100
2	Neoplasms	-	5
3	Allergic, Endocrine System, Metabolic and Nutritional Diseases	36	95
4	Diseases of the Blood and Blood forming Organs	8	36
5	Mental, Psychoneurotic & Personality Disorders	1	-
6	Diseases of the Nervous System & Sense Organs	13	13
7	Diseases of the Circulatory System	2	10
8	Diseases of the Respiratory System	311	240
9	Diseases of the Digestive System	413	249
10	Diseases of the Genito-Urinary System	1	6
11	Deliveries and complications of Pregnancy, Childbirth and the Puerperium	-	-
12	Diseases of the Skin & Cellular Tissue	5	-
13	Diseases of the Bones & Organs of Movement	1	-
14	Congenital malformations	27	-
15	Certain diseases of early infancy	881	-
16	Symptoms, Senility and ill-defined conditions	92	262
17	Accidents, Poisonings and Violence	7	29
	TOTAL	1,897	1,045

@ International Classification 1948.

INFANTILE MORTALITY

The total number of deaths of infants (under 1 year of age) in 1957 was higher than in the previous year being 1,897 against 1,644 in 1956. The rate of infantile mortality in 1957 was 75.1 as compared with 66.0 in 1956.

The inclusion of still-births raises the rate of infantile mortality occurring under 3 months of age by 139%.

MATERNAL MORTALITY

The rate of maternal mortality for the total population in 1957 was 2.8 per thousand births, a figure which shows a reduction of 73% when compared with the decennial average (1937 - 1946) of 10.5.

RODRIGUES ISLAND (AREA 40 SQUARE MILES)

DEMOGRAPHY

POPULATION - ESTIMATED AS AT 31ST DECEMBER

Year	NUMBER OF PERSONS	
	Total	No. per square mile
1957	16,535	413

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 1957.

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 1.7% 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 in its main Dependency, where in five years, it has amounted to 16.8% 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	38.5	18.2
1954	587	125	462	41.2	8.8
1955	642	172	470	42.3	11.3
1956	756	171	585	47.6	10.8
1957	782	220	562	48.2	13.6

RODRIGUES

AGE AT DEATH

Age	Males	Females	Total
Under one year	49	46	95
1 year and under 5 years	23	27	50
5 years and under 10 years	-	3	3
10 years and under 20 years	4	2	6
20 years and under 45 years	9	11	20
45 years and under 65 years	14	3	17
65 years and over	14	15	29
TOTAL	113	107	220

INFANTILE MORTALITY

The infantile mortality in 1957 in the island was 121.5 per 1,000 live-births; this figure being about 35% more than that for 1956.

MOVEMENT OF POPULATION

RODRIGUES

	General			Indo-Mauritian			Chinese			Total
	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	
Arrivals from Mauritius	412	203	615	194	49	243	163	29	192	1,050
Departures to Mauritius	426	256	682	179	32	211	168	50	218	1,111

M = Males

F = Females

T = Total

H E A L T H

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

PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES

In 1957, the Public Health Services consisted of:-

8 General Hospitals;

3 Special Hospitals (one for Poliomyelitis, one for Leprosy and one for Mental Diseases);

44 Public Dispensaries and out-patients' department of Hospitals (excluding 3 Prisons' Dispensaries);

4 Mobile Dispensaries;

1 Mobile Ante-natal Clinic;

2 Mobile Dental Clinics.

The number of outpatients in attendance at the public dispensaries and the outpatients' department of the public hospitals was 612,140 whilst the total number of attendances at the mobile dispensaries was 77,561.

In addition to the above, there were:-

4 Private Clinics;

9 Maternity Centres (belonging to the Maternity and Child Welfare Society);

8 Maternity Wards in Hospitals;

31 Private Hospitals (maintained on sugar estates);

18 Dispensaries (maintained on sugar estates).

STATISTICS OF HOSPITALS

HOSPITAL	Patients in hospital on 1.1.57	Total Admissions	Deaths	Patients remaining on 31.12.57	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	263	9,875	580	270	410	410	267	7,156	2,719	1,954	8,630
Long Mountain	27	1,928	41	22	66	64	22	1,831	97	20	757
Poudre d'Or	21	1,458	35	25	70	64	25	885	573	39	703
Flacq	29	2,338	63	48	116	114	26	1,892	446	204	2,270
Mahebourg	62	3,908	122	32	100	118	32	2,792	1,116	115	1,577
Souillac	27	2,359	79	26	97	97	24	2,250	109	20	1,174
Moka	48	1,812	72	23	80	80	32	1,320	492	283	565
Victoria	149	7,887	457	199	263	263	192	5,545	2,342	2,342	11,688
Brown Sequard (Infirmary only)	18	561	23	21	78+	140	27	388	173	67	-
Industrial School	5	181	-	6	16	20	3	109	72	4	39
Beau Bassin Prisons	12	415	-	19	30	29	9	320	95	-	384
Princess Margaret Orthopaedic Centre	139	617	25	134	156	155	136	85	532	5,961	155
Leper	42	16	-	40	62	42	33	10	6	6	-
TOTAL	842	33,355	1,497	865	1,544	1,596	828	24,583	8,772	11,015	27,942

+The Brown Sequard Hospital has a total bed strength of 707

HEALTH SERVICES

DISTRICT	Medical Practitioners		Dentists	Oculists	Maternity Centres@	Pharmacies	Public Cemeteries	Hospitals X	Leper Hospital	Orthopaedic and Poliomyelitis Hospital	Mental Hospital	Public Dispensaries ++	Benevolent and Orphan Asylums	Private Clinics	Estate Hospitals	Beds in Estate Hospitals
	Private	Government														
Port Louis	12	22	13+	1	-	18	-	1	-	-	-	3	6	-	-	-
Pamplemousses	2	1	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	-	-	5	2	-	4	54
Riviere du Rempart	-	1	-	-	-	-	4	1	-	-	-	6	-	-	3	95
Flacq	1	1	-	-	-	1	6	1	-	-	-	7	-	-	5	94
Grand Port	-	2	-	-	2	2	5	1	-	-	-	6	1	-	6	140
Savanne	1	1	-	-	1	2	4	1	-	-	-	5	1	-	6	128
Plaines Wilhems	47	34	16	1	6	20	2	1	-	1	1	4	5	4	3	55
Moka	2	2	-	-	-	-	4	1	-	-	-	4	-	-	2	42
Black River	-	1	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	1	20
TOTAL	65	65*	29	2	9	43	29	8	1	1	1	45	15	4	30	628

+4 belonging to Government Medical Services

++ Excluding 4 Mobile Dispensaries and 2 Prisons Department Dispensaries

X Excluding 2 Prisons Hospitals

@ Excluding 1 Government Ante-Natal Clinic

* Excluding 2 posted in the Dependency of Rodrigues

STATEMENT OF THE CAUSES OF DEATH IN THE ISLAND DURING THE YEAR 1957

Section+	NATURE OF DISEASE	POPULATION GENERAL* M	F	T	INDO-MAURITIAN M	F	T	Total Number of deaths	% of Total	Death rate per 100,000 of population
I	Infective and parasitic diseases	94	61	155	152	109	261	416	5.5	70.9
II	Neoplasm	50	50	100	52	45	97	197	2.6	33.6
III	Allergic, endocrine system, metabolic and nutritional diseases	49	50	99	156	136	292	391	5.1	66.6
IV	Diseases of the blood and blood-forming organs	20	43	63	128	186	314	377	4.9	64.2
V	Mental, psychoneurotic and personality disorders	2	1	3	-	1	1	4	0.1	0.7
VI	Diseases of the nervous system and sense organs	85	70	155	153	123	276	431	5.7	73.4
VII	Diseases of the circulatory system	110	96	206	248	168	416	622	8.2	106.0
VIII	Diseases of the respiratory system	204	184	388	408	337	745	1,133	14.9	193.0
IX	Diseases of the digestive system	198	140	338	348	321	669	1,007	13.2	171.5
X	Diseases of the genito-urinary system	22	21	43	35	29	64	107	1.4	18.2
XI	Deliveries and complications of pregnancy, childbirth and the puerperium	-	19	19	-	57	57	76	1.0	12.9
XII	Diseases of the skin & cellular tissue	2	1	3	3	6	9	12	0.2	2.0
XIII	Diseases of the bones & organs of movement	12	1	13	23	5	28	41	0.5	7.0
XIV	Congenital malformations	4	6	10	11	7	18	28	0.4	4.8
XV	Certain diseases of early infancy	135	96	231	367	283	650	881	11.6	150.1
XVI	Symptoms, senility & ill-defined conditions	250	287	537	540	586	1,126	1,663	21.9	283.3
XVII	Accidents, poisonings & violence	47	11	58	111	48	159	217	2.8	37.0
	Total	1,284	1,137	2,421	2,735	2,447	5,182	7,603	100.0	1,295.2

+International Classification 1948.

* includes Chinese.

CAUSES OF DEATH IN THE ISLAND

There was an increase of 13% in the number of deaths from all causes in 1957 as compared with 1956. The more important variations in the various disease sections are shown below:

Section	% increase or decrease in deaths	
I	+	14
II	+	28
IV	-	12
VII	+	21
VIII	+	42
IX	+	13
XI	+	29
XIV	+	109
XVII	-	19

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

(i) Diseases of the Respiratory System;

(ii) Diseases of the Digestive System;

(iii) Diseases of early infancy

(iv) Diseases of the Circulatory System.

Important increases were recorded in deaths due to diseases of the respiratory system - in particular due to whooping cough -, to neoplasms, to disorders of the circulatory system, to complications of pregnancy and childbirth, to congenital malformations. Noteworthy decreases were observed in deaths due to diseases of the blood and blood-forming organs and in deaths due to accidents, poisonings and violence.

Anti-malarial 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 1956 and 1957 no death due to this cause was registered as against 3 in 1955, 27 in 1954 and 61 in 1953.

The proportion of still-births (7.1% of live births) was the same as 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 1956 rate
I	(Tuberculosis of the respiratory system	139	24	+ 1
	(Dysentery	55	9	- 3
	(Whooping Cough	96	16	+ 14
	(Tetanus	43	7	- 3
II	Neoplasm	197	34	+ 8
III	(Asthma	188	32	- 1
	(Diabetes	67	11	-
IV	Anaemia	377	64	- 9
VI	Diseases of the nervous system and sense organs	431	73	+ 3
VII	Diseases of the circulatory system	622	106	+ 18
VIII	(Influenza	219	37	+ 28
	(Pneumonia	405	69	+ 20
	(Bronchitis	371	63	+ 6
IX	Enteritis and colitis	793	135	+ 19
X	Nephritis	94	16	- 1
XV	Diseases peculiar to early infancy	881	150	- 2
XVII	Accidents, poisoning and violence	217	37	- 9

TUBERCULOSIS

Year	Number 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	3.78	525
1951	235	3.26	486
1952	201	2.70	401
1953	146	1.76	283
1954	133	1.57	251
1955	134	1.89	244
1956	145	2.15	255
1957	156	2.05	266

MATERNAL MORTALITY RATE+

Year	Rate per 1,000	Year	Rate per 1,000
1946	10.39	1952	3.19
1947	5.25	1953	2.71
1948	4.10	1954	1.72
1949	3.80	1955	1.47
1950	3.51	1956	2.13
1951	3.20	1957	2.81

+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 32% higher than last year, and yet has fallen by 73% as compared with the 1946 rate.

NOTIFIABLE CONTAGIOUS OR COMMUNICABLE DISEASES BY DISTRICT

DISTRICT	Typhoid Fever	Diphtheria	Acute Poliomyelitis	Puerperal Fever	Erysipelas	Cerebro-spinal Meningitis	Tuberculosis
Port Louis	17	11	-	2	-	-	211
Pamplemousses	6	-	1	-	-	-	39
Riviere du Rempart	-	4	-	2	-	-	28
Flacq	6	3	-	4	-	-	37
Grand Port	26	5	-	8	-	-	23
Savanne	3	1	-	3	-	-	6
Plaines Wilhems	10	20	1	2	-	-	73
Black River	5	-	-	-	-	-	9
Moka	3	1	1	-	-	-	10
TOTAL	76	45	3	21	-	-	436

MONTHLY NOTIFICATIONS OF NOTIFIABLE, CONTAGIOUS OR COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

DISTRICT	Typhoid Fever	Diphtheria	Acute Poliomyelitis	Puerperal Fever	Erysipelas	Cerebro-spinal Meningitis	Tuberculosis
January	4	4	-	-	-	-	37
February	6	5	1	2	-	-	34
March	7	11	1	-	-	-	39
April	6	5	-	2	-	-	29
May	11	7	-	-	-	-	22
June	6	1	-	3	-	-	26
July	4	3	-	2	-	-	33
August	8	5	-	-	-	-	47
September	6	-	-	4	-	-	33
October	-	1	-	4	-	-	44
November	8	-	-	2	-	-	49
December	10	3	1	2	-	-	43
TOTAL	76	45	3	21	-	-	436

The incidence of typhoid fever in 1957 showed a decrease of 49% over last year.

JUDICIAL STATISTICS

P O L I C E

The establishment of the Regular Force in Mauritius and Rodrigues at the end of 1957 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)
84 Inspectors & Sub-Inspectors (1 attached to the Railways and 1 at Rodrigues)
104 Sergeants (1 attached to the Railways and 2 at Rodrigues)
129 Corporals (1 at Rodrigues)
777 Constables (9 attached to the Railways and 22 at Rodrigues)
28 Police Women

The Police Band comprised:-

1 Bandmaster
1 Inspector
2 Sub-Inspectors
4 Sergeants
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		
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 : 538
1955	28	81	98	116	733	1,056	1 : 530
1956	28	83	102	128	755	1,096	1 : 528
1957	28	83	102	128	755	1,096	1 : 544

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

STATISTICS OF CRIME

OFFENCES REPORTED TO AND DEALT WITH BY THE POLICE - YEAR 1957

OFFENCES	Total reported during year 1957	Pending investigation at 31.12.57	Not taken to Court	TAKEN TO COURT				
				Total	Convicted	Dismissed	Nolle prosequi	Awaiting trial at 31.12.57
AGAINST LAWFUL AUTHORITY	283	1	47	235	197	11	2	25
Perjury	22	-	5	17	13	-	-	4
Riots, illegal strikes & breaches of the peace	20	-	-	20	13	7	-	-
Effecting public mischief	17	-	-	17	16	-	-	1
Assault against Public Functionary causing effusion of blood	4	1	-	3	2	-	-	1
Outrage and assault against Public Functionary	220	-	42	178	153	4	2	19
AGAINST PUBLIC MORALITY	128	4	66	58	40	10	2	6
Rape & Attempt upon Chastity	48	2	34	12	9	2	-	1
Sodomy and Bestiality	9	1	5	3	3	-	-	-
Sexual intercourse with female under 12 years	3	1	1	1	-	-	-	1
Gross indecent act in public	68	-	26	42	28	8	2	4
AGAINST THE PERSON	11,692	78	9,229	2,385	1,902	218	6	259
Murder & Manslaughter	9	2	4	3	3	-	-	-
Infanticide	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
Abortion	8	-	8	-	-	-	-	-
Wounds & blows causing death or loss of limb or eye	7	1	-	6	4	-	-	2
Involuntary Homicide	2	-	-	2	-	2	-	-
Serious wounds & blows	44	-	18	26	19	3	-	4

OFFENCES REPORTED TO AND DEALT WITH BY THE POLICE - YEAR 1957 (continued)

O F F E N C E S	Total reported during year 1957	Pending investigation at 31.12.57	Not taken to Court	TAKEN TO COURT				
				Total	Convicted	Dismissed	Nolle prosequi	Awaiting trial at 31.12.57
AGAINST THE PERSON (continued)								
Abduction of Minors	4	-	1	3	2	1	-	-
Abandoning child by guardian	1	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
Simple wounds & blows	11,281	74	9,061	2,146	1,723	181	6	236
Involuntary wounds & blows	97	-	15	82	62	13	-	7
Simple assault	206	-	116	90	71	12	-	7
False and malicious denunciation in writing	31	1	5	25	17	6	-	2
Concealment of birth	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
AGAINST PROPERTY	5,148	79	3,477	1,592	1,275	153	5	159
Larceny night breaking	209	5	134	70	59	3	-	8
Larceny with violence	99	1	76	22	13	8	-	1
Larceny armed with offensive weapon	2	-	-	2	2	-	-	-
Other larcenies with aggravating circumstances	408	3	127	278	240	12	-	26
Arson	8	2	5	1	-	-	-	1
Criminal damage to property	3	-	3	-	-	-	-	-
Poaching	37	1	10	26	24	1	-	1
Larceny praedial	136	-	74	62	43	8	-	11
Larceny bicycle	707	5	604	98	89	4	-	5
Larceny simple	2,456	30	1,760	666	549	67	4	46
Larceny of fowls	144	1	93	50	36	9	-	5
Receiving stolen property	50	1	13	36	28	6	-	2
Swindling	169	4	105	60	39	5	-	16
Forgery	95	10	33	52	42	1	1	8
Embezzlement by public servant of person in receipt of wages or clerk or workman and simple embezzlement	625	16	440	169	111	29	-	29

OFFENCES REPORTED TO AND DEALT WITH BY THE POLICE - YEAR 1957 (continued)

OFFENCES	Total reported during year 1957	Pending investigation at 31.12.57	Not taken to Court	TAKEN TO COURT				
				Total	Convicted	Dismissed	Nolle prosequi	Awaiting trial at 31.12.57
OTHER OFFENCES AGAINST THE PENAL CODE	3,286	7	251	3,028	2,945	42	6	35
Personation	8	-	5	3	2	-	-	1
Bribery by Public Functionary	4	1	3	-	-	-	-	-
Bribing Public Functionary	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Coinage	2	-	2	-	-	-	-	-
Vagrancy	248	2	117	129	110	16	-	3
Disturbance	1,871	4	103	1,764	1,717	23	-	24
Drunkenness	1,152	-	20	1,132	1,116	3	6	7
AGAINST LOCAL LAWS	29,620	82	10,611	18,927	17,920	418	55	534
(a) Traffic	18,841	38	4,182	14,621	14,066	269	22	264
Dangerous, Inconsiderate and Negligent driving	547	1	87	459	348	83	-	28
Driving under the influence of liquor	29	-	2	27	20	3	-	4
Exceeding speed	689	-	223	466	453	1	-	12
Bicycle contraventions	4,486	-	522	3,964	3,930	12	1	21
Contraventions of pedestrians	35	-	5	30	28	1	-	1
Using unlicensed motor vehicle	362	1	149	212	192	11	1	8
Other traffic offences	12,693	36	3,194	9,463	9,095	158	20	190
(b) Distillery Laws	222	2	78	142	127	-	1	14
Illicit distillation of Colonial Spirits	3	-	1	2	2	-	-	-
Illicit removal or possession of Colonial spirits, wash or country liquor	23	1	3	19	14	-	1	4
Other offences against distillery laws	196	1	74	121	111	-	-	10

OFFENCES REPORTED TO AND DEALT WITH BY THE POLICE - YEAR 1957 (continued)

O F F E N C E S	Total reported during year 1957	Pending investi-gation at 31.12.57	Not taken to Court	T A K E N T O C O U R T				
				Total	Convicted	Dismissed	Nolle prosequi	Awaiting trial at 31.12.57
AGAINST LOCAL LAWS (continued)								
(c) Licence Laws								
Offences v/s Licence Laws	704	-	229	475	460	4	1	10
(d) Miscellaneous	9,853	42	6,122	3,689	3,267	145	31	246
Offences v/s Weights and Measures	307	-	46	261	256	3	-	2
Illegal slaughtering	13	-	-	13	12	-	-	1
Offences v/s Dangerous Drugs Ordinance	142	4	18	120	107	4	-	9
Offences v/s Firearms Ordinance	86	-	13	73	71	1	-	1
Swearing false affidavit	40	2	21	17	4	3	-	10
Offences v/s Food and Defence Regulations	11	-	7	4	4	-	-	-
Offences regarding Shop Hours Ordinance	698	1	128	569	544	12	-	13
Gambling and public lotteries	104	-	5	93	88	4	-	7
Breach of H.Cs Regulations	83	-	7	76	74	2	-	-
Other offences	8,369	35	5,877	2,457	2,107	116	31	203
G R A N D T O T A L	50,157	251	23,681	26,225	24,279	852	76	1,018

SERIOUS CASES REPORTED

Murder and Manslaughter	9
Abortion	8
Infanticide	1
Wounds & Blows causing death or loss of limb or eye	7
Larceny (exclusive of praedial larceny)	3,715
Receiving & possession of stolen property	50
Embezzlement	625
Burglary	209
Robbery	99
Forgery	95
Praedial larceny	136
Offences under the Distillery & Liquor Laws	222
Other serious offences	598

FIRES

722 cases of fire were reported to the Police in 1957, of which 8 were cases of arson.

JUVENILE CRIMINALITY

O F F E N C E	Number arrested and convicted				
	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957
Larceny simple	74	87	84	84	86
Larceny praedial	1	11	3	10	4
Larceny with violence	1	-	3	-	-
Larceny being two in number or more	10	9	15	18	13
Larceny with breaking	11	-	4	6	3
Larceny with night breaking	2	8	16	3	2
Larceny by person in receipt of wages	5	3	-	3	3
Larceny by servant	5	3	-	5	2
Larceny with aggravating circumstances	17	15	17	23	31
Possession of stolen property	5	6	3	8	1
Vagrancy	2	10	9	16	7
Plundering	60	38	39	84	70
Wounds and Blows	79	85	51	90	47
Offences against morality	-	1	2	1	-
Roguery and vagabondage	1	1	1	-	5
Forgery	3	1	3	-	5
Various offences	145	182	132	171	191

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DEPARTMENT

The investigation Branch of the Criminal Investigation Department was called upon during the year to investigate into 178 cases of crime, 47 of misdemeanours and 427 of miscellaneous character.

BICYCLE THEFTS

YEAR	Number of bicycles	
	Lost or stolen	Recovered
1957	707	210

HABITUAL CRIMINALS

There were 2,144 male reconvicted criminals (including 177 first offenders reconvicted during the year) in Mauritius in 1957. At the end of the year:

251 were in Prison;
490 were under Police supervision;
49 were at liberty on licence.

VIOLENCE AND ASSAULTS

Assaults with violence are common. 1,284 cases of wounds and blows were examined by the Police Medical Officer and 2,032 medical reports were forwarded to the Police for use in evidence.

52 cases of rape and sexual assaults were dealt with.

SUICIDE

13 cases were reported and investigated during the year and the following causes of death were found: 4 by poisoning, 6 by hanging and 3 by drowning.

FORGERY AND THEFT

In 1957, 479 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 1956 was 360.

FIREARMS

The number of firearms licensed during the year was 5,459. The comparative figures for 1955 and 1956 were 5,902 and 5,955 respectively.

JUDICIAL

SUPREME COURT

In the Supreme Court, in 1957, 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	53	181	45	36	176	159
Cases disposed of	41	182	40	31	165	159

There were 25 cases brought for trial before the Court of Assizes in which there were 27 accused parties.

	Number of cases
Murder	3
Manslaughter	8
Wounds & Blows causing death without intention to kill	4
Involuntary homicide	5
Rape	4
Arson	1
TOTAL	25

16 of the accused parties were convicted, 6 were acquitted, 2 were discharged for want of prosecution, 2 were prosecuted a second time as a result of "no verdict" and 1 was awaiting trial because the case was adjourned to the first criminal session of 1958.

PERSONS DEALT WITH BY THE COURTS, INCLUDING THE INDUSTRIAL COURT AND THE COURT OF ASSIZES

OFFENCES	Total arrested or summoned to Court	Acquitted	No Verdict	Nolle prosequi	Awaiting trial at 31.12.57	CONVICTED												
						Total	Death		Imprisonment		Borstal and Other Institutions		FINE			Probation, First Offenders' Act, etc...		
							M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	J	M	F	J
AGAINST LAWFUL AUTHORITY	426	26	-	14	31	355	-	-	56	1	-	-	270	7	1	18	1	1
Perjury	12	1	-	-	2	9	-	-	7	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
Riots, Illegal Strikes & Breaches of the Peace	32	7	-	1	2	22	-	-	6	-	-	-	1	-	-	15	-	-
Effecting public mischief	39	-	-	3	4	32	-	-	1	-	-	-	29	-	-	-	1	1
Assault against public functionary	141	4	-	3	12	122	-	-	28	-	-	-	90	4	-	-	-	-
Others	202	14	-	7	11	170	-	-	14	-	-	-	150	3	1	2	-	-
AGAINST PUBLIC MORALITY	183	13	-	1	10	159	-	-	21	-	-	-	132	1	1	3	-	1
Rape	5	1	-	-	1	3	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sodomy and Bestiality	6	-	-	-	-	6	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
Gross indecent act in public	75	7	-	-	5	63	-	-	1	-	-	-	61	1	-	-	-	-
Others	97	5	-	1	4	87	-	-	12	-	-	-	71	-	1	2	-	1
AGAINST THE PERSON	4,243	553	2	50	357	3,281	-	-	262	1	1	-	2,822	94	37	50	3	11
Manslaughter	4	-	2*	-	-	2	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Involuntary homicide	5	2	-	2	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wounds & blows causing death	12	3	-	-	-	9	-	-	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Serious wounds & blows	322	42	-	3	38	239	-	-	114	-	-	-	112	1	1	7	-	4
Simple and involuntary wounds & blows	3,153	433	-	19	243	2,458	-	-	102	-	1	-	2,215	76	30	28	2	4
Others	747	73	-	26	76	572	-	-	34	1	-	-	495	17	6	15	1	3

* The two accused parties were tried a second time after "no verdict" had been returned.

M = Males
F = Females
J = Juveniles

PERSONS DEALT WITH BY THE COURTS, INCLUDING THE INDUSTRIAL COURT AND THE COURT OF ASSIZES

OFFENCES	Total arrested or summoned to Court	Acquitted	No Verdict	Nolle prosequi	Awaiting trial at 31.12.57	CONVICTED												
						Total	Death		Imprisonment		Borstal and Other Institutions		FINE			Probation, First Offenders' Act, etc.		
							M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	J	M	F	J
AGAINST PROPERTY	4,330	408	-	99	250	3,573	-	-	1,023	17	96	-	1,808	202	49	234	23	121
Arson	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Larceny with violence	112	9	-	2	11	90	-	-	82	-	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Other larcenies with aggravating circumstances	566	68	-	32	59	407	-	-	289	1	33	-	-	-	-	48	1	35
Receiving stolen property and possession of stolen property	171	53	-	3	21	94	-	-	67	-	6	-	-	-	-	9	1	11
Larceny simple	835	100	-	35	72	628	-	-	371	13	45	-	-	-	-	120	18	61
Swindling and Embezzlement	248	45	-	6	13	184	-	-	90	-	4	-	71	1	2	13	1	2
Forgery	61	3	-	6	10	42	-	-	39	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
Criminal damage to property	269	26	-	4	5	234	-	-	6	-	-	-	221	5	1	1	-	-
Others	2,067	104	-	11	59	1,893	-	-	78	3	2	-	1,516	196	46	43	2	7
AGAINST THE PENAL CODE	4,484	82	-	16	101	4,285	-	-	79	3	9	-	4,016	124	14	33	1	6
Personation	6	1	-	-	-	5	-	-	4	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vagrancy	143	19	-	2	9	113	-	-	54	2	9	-	8	-	2	32	-	6
Disturbance	2,489	49	-	6	45	2,389	-	-	13	-	-	-	2,266	109	1	-	-	-
Drunkenness	1,254	-	-	3	25	1,226	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,223	3	-	-	-	-
Others	592	13	-	5	22	552	-	-	8	-	-	-	519	12	11	1	1	-

M = Males
F = Females
J = Juveniles.

PERSONS DEALT WITH BY THE COURTS, INCLUDING THE INDUSTRIAL COURT AND THE COURT OF ASSIZES

OFFENCES	Total arrested or summoned to Court	Acquitted	No Verdict	Nolle prosequi	Awaiting trial at 31.12.57	CONVICTED												
						Total	Death		Imprisonment		Borstal and Other Institutions		FINE			Probation, First Offenders' Act, etc...		
							M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	J	M	F	J
AGAINST LOCAL LAWS	20,573	445	-	184	488	19,456	-	-	453	3	3	-	18,522	247	216	5	2	5
Against Traffic Ordinance	14,793	306	-	114	343	14,030	-	-	14	-	-	-	13,784	46	186	-	-	-
Against liquor Ordinance	52	1	-	1	3	47	-	-	15	-	-	-	32	-	-	-	-	-
Against licence laws	451	9	-	2	5	435	-	-	-	-	-	-	435	-	-	-	-	-
Gambling and Public lotteries	190	4	-	10	4	172	-	-	-	-	-	-	166	-	2	-	-	4
Against milk trade regulations	723	7	-	4	10	702	-	-	45	1	-	-	584	62	9	-	1	-
Against Forestry laws	562	5	-	2	6	549	-	-	3	-	-	-	463	69	14	-	-	-
Against Fisheries laws	725	26	-	4	42	653	-	-	179	-	-	-	468	3	1	1	-	1
Against Labour Ordinance	27	-	-	6	5	16	-	-	-	-	-	-	16	-	-	-	-	-
Against Minimum Wages Ordinance	2	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-
Against Factories Ordinance	2	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-
Others	3,046	87	-	41	70	2,848	-	-	197	2	3	-	2,570	67	4	4	1	-
GRAND TOTAL	34,239	1,527	2	364	1,237	31,109	-	-	1,894	25	109	-	27,570	675	318	343	30	145

M = Males
F = Females
J = Juveniles.

OFFENCES AGAINST THE FISHERY LAWS

Year	Total number of Contraventions	Number of Cases prosecuted	Number of Convictions	Total Fines inflicted	Number of Boats seized	Number of Illegal Nets seized
				Rs		
1947	770	676	664	11,924	7	99
1948	757	612	592	10,146	17	80
1949	777	664	660	9,208	7	75
1950	591	559	542	7,998	20	103
1951	788	707	690	11,595	15	118
1952	605	511	483	10,304	4	106
1953	550	509	501	15,057	17	120
1954	615	525	514	14,415	15	148
1955	524	451	444	14,246	20	100
1956	436	355	348	11,059	14	81
1957	509	403 ¥	396	11,689	17	91

¥ 75 cases pending at 31.12.57

SUMMARY OF OFFENCES AGAINST THE FOREST LAWS DURING THE YEAR 1957

Category of Offences	Cases taken to Court	Cases dealt with departmentally	Cases Outstanding	Total Cases Offenders known	Cases in which Offenders remained unknown	Grand Total All Cases
1. Unauthorised felling or removal						
(a) in Crown Forest	126	5	23	154	53	207
(b) in Mountain Reserves	12	-	2	14	7	21
(c) in River Reserves	109	13	1	123	49	172
(d) in Pas Géométriques	9	5	3	17	2	19
2. Illegal possession of Indigenous Forest Produce	14	-	-	14	-	14
3. Possession of tools						
(a) in Crown Forests	26	1	3	30	-	30
(b) in River Reserves	4	-	-	4	-	4
4. Conflagration in Crown Forests	1	-	-	1	27	28
Conflagration in Mountain Reserves	-	-	-	-	1	1
5. Encroachment in River Reserves	25	48	-	73	-	73
Encroachment in Mountain Reserves	1	-	-	1	-	1
6. Plundering in Crown Forests	1	3	-	4	-	4
TOTAL	328	75	32	435	139	574

PRISONS STATISTICS

OFFENCE	Total number of persons sentenced	NATURE OF SENTENCE						DISTRIBUTION OF OFFENCES ACCORDING TO				
			Imprisonment					Age of Offender			Education of Offender	
		Borstal	For non-payment of fine	Less than 1 month	1 & more than 1 month	Penal Servitude	DEATH	Under 25	25 to 50	Over 50	Illiterate	Able to read & write
MEN												
Homicide	12	-	-	-	4	8	-	4	7	1	5	7
Unnatural crimes	19	-	2	-	15	2	-	12	7	-	6	13
Offences against persons	274	1	109	39	125	-	-	99	163	12	145	129
Offences against property	668	32	24	43	541	28	-	301	340	27	314	354
Praedial larceny	28	-	9	-	19	-	-	12	12	4	24	4
Drunkenness and Disorder	358	-	280	45	33	-	-	72	270	16	187	171
Other Crimes and Contraventions	472	-	147	91	234	-	-	136	315	21	260	212
TOTAL	1,831	33	571	218	971	38	-	636	1,114	81	941	890
WOMEN												
Homicide	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	-
Unnatural crimes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Offences against persons	5	-	4	-	1	-	-	-	4	1	5	-
Offences against property	11	-	-	4	7	-	-	7	4	-	8	3
Praedial larceny	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Drunkenness & Disorder	7	-	4	1	2	-	-	1	4	2	6	1
Other Crimes and Contraventions	5	-	3	-	2	-	-	2	2	1	4	1
TOTAL	29	-	11	5	13	-	-	10	15	4	24	5
GRAND TOTAL	1,860	33	582	223	984	38	-	646	1,129	85	965	895

JUVENILE OFFENDERS DETAINED AT THE INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL

OFFENCES	SENTENCE					AGE OF OFFENDER			
	Less than 3 years	3 years	Over 3 years	Detained till the age of 18	Total	Under 10 years	10 to 14 years	Over 14 years	Total
Offences against persons	-	1	-	1	2	-	1	1	2
Offences against property	-	26	-	20	46	-	16	30	46
Vagrancy	-	4	-	1	5	-	4	1	5
Breach of probation	-	2	-	1	3	-	2	1	3
TOTAL	-	33	-	23	56	-	23	33	56

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	58	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	158	32	187
1954	111	8	156	42	317
1955	115	10	168	26	319
1956	125	15	187	51	378
1957	113	7	194	30	344

BREACH OF THE CONDITION OF THE PROBATION ORDER AND RECIDIVISM

(NUMBER OF PERSONS)

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	18	1	9	3	31
1954	10	1	19	-	30
1955	21	-	18	2	41
1956	34	1	20	1	56
1957	15	-	18	1	34

In 1957, 272 probationers successfully completed their period of probation, as compared with 239 in 1956.

LABOUR AND SOCIAL

LABOUR

Employment and Wages in local industries

The Labour Ordinance No. 47 of 1938 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.

WAGES

Wages of skilled workers in the Sugar Factories

Category of Workers		WAGES					
		MONTHLY			DAILY		
		Lowest	Highest	Average+	Lowest	Highest	Average+
CATEGORY "A"	Grade	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs
Fitters*	I	119.50	217.-	139.14	4.32	5.99	4.74
	II	100.-	119.50	104.05	3.70	4.15	3.77
	III	77.-	101.-	82.95	2.99	3.65	3.17
Turners*	I	111.-	172.-	124.92	-	-	-
	II	91.-	113.90	95.99	3.70	3.88	3.72
	III	74.-	88.50	81.25	2.85	3.56	3.22
Tinsmiths*		70.-	111.-	79.46	2.75	3.80	3.26
Blacksmiths*	I	101.-	172.-	114.67	-	-	5.55
	II	92.50	101.-	93.82	3.70	3.88	3.72
	III	74.-	90.30	76.48	2.75	3.51	3.14
Coppersmiths*	I	101.-	157.50	117.92	-	-	-
	II	74.-	95.-	84.65	-	-	3.70
	III	-	-	-	-	-	3.34
Boiler Makers*	I	101.-	152.54	114.44	-	-	-
	II	74.-	119.50	85.51	3.65	3.70	3.68
	III	-	-	-	-	-	2.91
Welders*	I	107.-	143.50	113.58	4.35	4.57	4.46
	II	92.-	95.-	92.25	3.53	4.-	3.69
	III	74.-	86.-	77.15	2.85	2.96	2.90
Pattern Makers*	I	107.-	119.50	117.26	-	-	-
	II	80.-	83.-	81.50	2.40	4.06	3.37
Moulders*	I	107.-	209.50	129.79	-	-	-
	II	74.-	107.-	88.25	2.91	3.70	3.30
Pan Boilers*	Chief	137.-	218.73	155.88	-	-	4.49
	I	101.-	144.93	113.01	3.20	4.21	3.84
	II	67.-	101.-	83.39	2.28	2.85	2.77

+Weighted average.

Wages of Skilled workers in the Sugar Factories (Continued)

CATEGORY OF WORKERS		WAGES					
		MONTHLY			DAILY		
		Lowest	Highest	Average+	Lowest	Highest	Average+
		Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs
CATEGORY "A" (contd)							
	Grade						
Masons*	Chief	92.50	115.50	99.32	-	-	-
	Others	67.-	103.50	77.62	2.90	6.-	3.36
Carpenters*	Chief	101.-	157.-	112.79	-	-	-
	I	74.-	101.-	83.43	2.75	6.50	3.62
	II	66.50	72.50	67.57			
Motor Mechanics*	Chief	167.-	350.-	197.38	-	-	-
	I	101.-	196.-	125.73	4.35	5.08	4.72
	II	74.-	95.-	81.60	3.45	4.08	3.66
Motor Vehicle Drivers	I	72.50	110.38	76.71	-	-	-
	II	64.50	78.30	64.97	2.78	3.70	3.24
	III	57.-	63.57	58.21	2.30	2.99	2.65
Tractor Drivers x	I	72.50	236.25	113.81	-	-	-
	II	64.50	72.50	68.11	2.21	3.64	3.02
	III	53.80	63.50	57.51	-	-	-
Loco Fitters*	I	119.50	219.50	138.92	-	-	-
	II	101.-	119.50	105.40	3.32	4.-	3.65
	III	74.-	101.-	80.80	2.84	3.20	3.01
Electricians*	I	123.-	213.90	148.91	-	-	6.-
CATEGORY "B"							
Electricians*	II	72.-	113.67	80.77	3.34	3.65	3.50
Mill Drivers x	I	60.-	119.50	62.50	2.30	2.67	2.40
	II	50.10	60.50	53.99	-	-	2.21
Derrick Drivers x	I	74.-	116.41	80.97	-	-	-
	II	67.-	74.50	67.18	2.68	3.60	2.98
Chief Boiler Attendants x		55.-	133.25	77.88	-	-	2.50
Loco Drivers x		60.-	114.-	67.19	-	-	-
Messengers x:							
Laboratory		64.-	142.59	85.26	1.94	2.28	2.01
Office		47.50	61.50	61.71	2.16	2.21	2.18
Stores		47.85	101.-	58.76	-	-	-

Cost of Living Allowance Categories A & B : 50%

End of year bonus: (i) To all workers employed by the month - $3\frac{3}{4}$ months' basic wage;

(ii) To all workers employed on a fixed daily rate and paid directly by the sugar estates:- $\frac{15}{16}$ of a month's basic wage (provided they have worked regularly for a minimum of 250 days).

OVERTIME:

(a) * For the first 4 hours ... Time + $\frac{1}{2}$, thereafter. . Double time

(b) x For the first 4 hours . . Time + 1/3, thereafter... Time + $\frac{1}{2}$.

Sundays ... Double rate.

+Weighted average.

WAGES OF SKILLED WORKERS - OTHER INDUSTRIES+

ISIC		Employed by the month			Employed by the day		
		Highest Rs	Lowest Rs	Average@ Rs	Highest Rs	Lowest Rs	Average@ Rs
23	ALOE FIBRE INDUSTRY						
	Factory:						
	Drivers	120.00	110.00	116.65	6.00	4.50	4.90
	Decortication Operators	-	-	-	7.00	4.00	4.90
21	AERATED WATER WORKS						
	Artisans	300.00	125.00	135.75	8.00	4.80	6.05
	Drivers	175.00	95.00	149.10	5.00	4.50	4.95
20	BAKERIES						
	Brigadiers	-	-	236.72	12.50	5.00	9.67
	Coupeurs	-	-	278.66	13.00	5.00	9.18
	Petrisseurs	-	-	196.10	9.50	4.00	6.98
40	BUILDING CONTRACTORS						
	Foremen	300.00	225.00	255.00	13.33	8.33	9.30
	Carpenters:						
	Head	-	-	-	7.50	5.00	6.55
	Assistants	-	-	-	4.75	4.00	4.40
	Masons:						
	Head	-	-	-	8.87	5.00	6.75
	Assistants	-	-	-	4.75	4.00	4.30
	Blacksmiths	-	-	-	8.30	5.50	6.55
	Painters	-	-	-	10.00	6.00	6.60
	Tinsmiths	-	-	-	-	-	7.00
22	CIGARETTE MANUFACTURE						
	Artisans	-	-	315.00	7.70	4.25	6.35
	Drivers	-	-	-	6.45	5.13	5.25
21	DISTILLING INDUSTRY						
	Artisans	-	-	125.00	6.46	4.35	5.63
	Drivers	-	-	87.00	-	-	5.75
71	DOCKS						
	Artisans	250.80	228.00	238.40	6.70	4.80	5.80
	Drivers	213.42	189.25	199.50	-	-	-
51	ELECTRICITY						
	Electricians	-	-	-	6.84	4.64	5.65
	Mechanics	-	-	-	6.43	4.64	5.85
	Drivers	-	-	-	8.06	4.64	6.10

+Statistics collected by the Labour Department.

@Weighted Average.

WAGES OF SKILLED WORKERS - OTHER INDUSTRIES+ (continued)

ISIC		Employed by the month			Employed by the day		
		Highest Rs	Lowest Rs	Average@ Rs	Highest Rs	Lowest Rs	Average@ Rs
31	LIME INDUSTRY						
	Artisans	-	-	-	9.00	4.00	5.20
	Drivers	-	-	-	-	-	6.00
31	OIL INDUSTRY						
	Artisans	-	-	-	9.25	5.22	6.25
28	PRINTING INDUSTRY						
	Pressmen	275.00	96.50	163.28	7.50	3.75	5.35
	Typographers	265.00	96.30	180.02	7.34	3.75	5.20
	Bookbinders	215.00	100.00	150.00	7.34	3.75	5.40
23	SACK FACTORY						
	Artisans	-	-	-	6.25	5.00	5.35
19	SALT MANUFACTURE						
	Artisans	-	-	110.00	6.00	4.00	4.70
25	SAW MILLS						
	Sawyers	220.75	138.75	172.50	8.00	5.00	6.20
	Drivers	116.00	100.00	108.00	-	-	-
29	TANNING INDUSTRY						
	Artisans	167.00	136.00	151.30	7.00	4.50	5.25
20	TEA INDUSTRY						
	Factory:						
	Artisans	235.00	150.00	192.00	12.50	4.50	5.62
	Drivers	150.00	125.00	128.58	6.00	4.50	5.17
22	TOBACCO INDUSTRY						
	Artisans	309,68	144.09	223.50	5.00	4.00	5.00
21	WINE INDUSTRY						
	Artisans	240.00	180.00	194.10	7.50	4.00	5.00
	Drivers	150.00	125.00	143.75	7.00	5.00	5.55

+Statistics collected by the Labour Department.

@Weighted average

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

	1957 Index (1939 = 100)
Fitter	356
Pan Boiler	378
Motor Mechanic	326
Blacksmith	315
Carpenter	331
Boiler Maker	325
Motor Driver	423
Loco Driver	426
Mill Driver	473

+1957 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 INDUSTRY

Minimum Wages+ for various categories of labourers.

Period 1st January, 1957 to 31st December, 1957

	CLASS I	CLASS II	CLASS III
	Rs	Rs	Rs
MONTHLY EMPLOYED@			
Field or Factory Labourers			
Men			
Basic wage			
January to June	43.50	38.86	32.84
July to December	47.85	42.74	36.12
Average over the year	45.68	40.80	34.48
Cost of Living Allowance 50%	22.84	20.40	17.24
Regularity Bonus	4.78	4.27	3.61
End of year bonus	14.27	12.75	10.78
	87.57	78.22	66.11
	I	II	Children
WOMEN & JUVENILES			
Basic wage			
January to June	28.85	25.73	20.08
July to December	31.73	28.30	22.08
Average over the year	30.29	27.01	21.08
Cost of Living Allowance 50%	15.14	13.50	10.54
Regularity Bonus	3.18	2.83	2.21
End of year bonus	9.47	8.44	6.59
	58.08	51.78	40.42

+Exclusive of overtime earnings computed on average cost of living allowance.

@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 50%	Total	Average at 26 working days@
		Jan. to June	July to Dec.	Average			
		Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs
DAILY EMPLOYED+							
Field Labourers:							
Men	I	2.48	2.72	2.60	1.30	3.90	101.40
	II	1.93	2.17	2.05	1.02	3.07	79.82
	III	1.31	1.44	1.37	0.68	2.05	53.30
Women	I	1.24	1.36	1.30	0.65	1.95	50.70
	II	1.00	1.10	1.05	0.52	1.57	40.82
Young Persons		1.00	1.10	1.05	0.52	1.57	40.82
Children		0.69	0.75	0.72	0.36	1.08	28.08
Factory Workers:							
Men	I	2.01	2.21	2.11	1.05	3.16	82.16
	II	1.62	1.94	1.78	0.89	2.67	69.42
Women		1.00	1.10	1.05	0.52	1.57	40.82
Young persons (Male)		1.00	1.10	1.05	0.52	1.57	40.82

@exclusive of overtime

+The daily workers, residing in Estate Camp and employed on fixed daily rates and paid directly by the Estate are further entitled to an end of year bonus representing 15/16 of a month's basic wage (provided they have worked regularly on the same estate for a minimum of 250 days during the calendar year).

OVERTIME ‡

Week days
For the first 4 hours: Time + 1/3
Over 4 hours: Time + $\frac{1}{2}$

Sundays
Paid at double rate

‡ 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	Average January to December, 1957	
		Wage Rs	Index
MEN:			
CLASS I	20.00	87.57	438
II	18.00	78.22	435

Field Labourer - Category II - Daily employed

	1938@ Wage Rs	Average January to December, 1957	
		Wage Rs	Index
MEN:			
CLASS I	0.95*	3.90	411
II	0.50	3.07	614

+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[@]

ISIC		Employed by the month			Employed by the day		
		Highest	Lowest	Average[+]	Highest	Lowest	Average[+]
		Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs
23	ALOE FIBRE INDUSTRY						
	Factory:						
	Men	-	-	-	4.60	2.50	3.40
	Women	-	-	-	2.62	1.65	2.05
	Juveniles	-	-	-	2.50	1.00	2.15
	Field:						
	Supervisors	-	-	-	6.79	2.50	4.55
	Men	-	-	-	3.75	2.50	3.00
	Women	-	-	-	2.75	1.80	1.75
	Juveniles	-	-	-	2.00	1.50	1.75
21	AERATED WATER WORKS						
	Men	-	-	110.00	4.00	3.00	3.40
	Women	-	-	-	2.00	1.60	1.80
20	BAKERIES						
	Helpers	-	-	93.50	7.00	2.00	4.52
	Other workers	180.00	100.00	142.00	7.00	2.00	4.15
40	BUILDING CONTRACTORS						
	Men	-	-	-	4.00	3.00	3.70
	Women	-	-	-	-	-	2.25
	Juveniles	-	-	-	-	-	2.50
22	CIGARETTE MANUFACTURE						
	Men	-	-	83.75	4.70	3.55	4.15
	Women	-	-	-	-	-	2.73
	Juveniles	-	-	-	-	-	2.50
21	DISTILLING INDUSTRY						
	Men	-	-	-	4.10	2.50	2.85
	Women	-	-	-	-	-	1.83
	Juveniles	-	-	-	1.71	1.62	1.67
71	DOCKS						
	Supervisors	169.16	153.90	161.53	-	-	-
	Men	95.55	85.35	90.10	15.24	4.22	9.95
	Women	36.66	33.60	35.00	2.17	1.45	1.61
	Juveniles	-	-	-	1.60	1.50	1.57
51	ELECTRICITY						
	Men	-	-	-	3.75	2.78	3.45
31	LIME INDUSTRY						
	Supervisors	-	-	-	5.00	3.00	3.70
	Men	-	-	-	4.00	2.50	3.30
	Women	-	-	-	3.00	1.50	1.80

[@]Statistics collected by the Labour Department.

[+]Weighted average.

WAGES OF SEMI-SKILLED OR UNSKILLED WORKERS - OTHER INDUSTRIES[@] (contd.)

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	-	-	-	-	-	2.42
31	OIL INDUSTRY						
	Men	-	-	-	4.00	2.25	2.79
23	SACK FACTORY						
	Men	-	-	-	4.00	3.50	3.51
19	SALT MANUFACTURE						
	Supervisors	-	-	160.00	4.00	3.00	3.65
	Men	-	-	-	3 75	2.75	3.10
	Women	-	-	-	1.75	1.60	1.65
25	SAW MILLS						
	Men	117.00	70.00	88.22	6.00	3.00	4.48
29	TANNING INDUSTRY						
	Men	130.00	128.00	129.00	4.25	2.75	3.63
	Women	-	-	--	3.75	3.25	3.50
20	TEA INDUSTRY						
	Factory:						
	Men	-	-	150.00	5.00	3.25	3.73
	Juveniles	-	-	-	3.05	2.00	2.15
	Field:						
	Supervisors	205.00	175.00	195.00	5.00	4.50	4.84
	Men	-	-	-	4.50	3.50	3.71
	Women	-	-	-	3.00	2.00	2.85
	Juveniles	-	-	-	2.52	1.50	1.91
22	TOBACCO INDUSTRY						
	Men	-	-	-	5.00	3.50	3.95
	Women	-	-	-	2.50	1.50	2.25
	Juveniles	-	-	-	3.00	1.50	2.20
21	WINE INDUSTRY						
	Men	-	-	-	4.00	2.50	3.45
	Women	-	-	--	2.75	1.60	1.65
	Juveniles	-	-	-	-	.	2.25

[@]Statistics collected by the Labour Department.

[+]Weighted average.

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

EMPLOYMENT

EMPLOYMENT OF SKILLED AND UNSKILLED WORKERS IN THE SUGAR INDUSTRY[@]

Summary of employment of skilled workers	Monthly employed	Daily employed
Skilled Workers	3,466	788
Semi-skilled Workers: Supervisors	1,169	722

Summary of employment of Unskilled Workers:	MONTHLY EMPLOYED								
	MEN			WOMEN			JUVENILES		
	Maximum	Minimum	Average	Maximum	Minimum	Average	Maximum	Minimum	Average
Class I	2,233	2,076	2,150	96	81	86	76	20	44
II	798	737	754	18	12	15	22	-	5
III	232	195	217	21	9	11	-	-	-
			3,121			112			49
	DAILY PAID								
By Estate	21,750	15,979	19,120	7,210	5,585	6,560	2,160	1,930	2,074
By Job Contractors	12,803	10,784	11,792	7,025	5,410	6,422	827	653	745
			30,912			12,982			2,819

Proportion of monthly and daily employed workers in each category

	Monthly	Daily
	%	%
Skilled workers	81	19
Supervisors	62	38
Unskilled workers: Men	9	91
Women	1	99
Juveniles	2	98

% distribution of daily paid unskilled workers employed by the Estates and by Job Contractors

	PAID BY	
	Estate	Job Contractors
	%	%
Men	62	38
Women	51	49
Juveniles	74	26

[@]Statistics collected by the Labour Department.

MANPOWER EMPLOYED IN THE SUGAR MANUFACTURING PROCESS ONLY

Number of skilled and unskilled workers employed per factory:

Maximum	...	370
Minimum	...	102
Average	...	195

Number of shifts per day per factory 2

Number of men per shift per factory:

Maximum	...	185
Minimum	...	51

Total number of men workers employed per day in the 26 Sugar Factories: 5,080

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 1957 reached a maximum of 61,300 workers and a minimum of 49,500 workers, a ± 10% fluctuation on the average of 56,100.

The difference in conditions of employment between skilled and unskilled workers is noteworthy. About 81% of the skilled workers are employed on a monthly agreement, while about 91% 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 1957 employing the greater number of skilled workers and artisans. In fact the proportion of skilled to unskilled labour in the Industry is only 8.2: 100. On the average one factory needs about 160 skilled men.

EMPLOYMENT IN THE SUGAR INDUSTRY - 1957

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
1957	4,408	56,928	61,336	4,056	45,446	49,502	4,254	51,886	56,140

Skilled workers are employed in the Secondary Industries to a total of about 5,600, while public services (Railways, Public Works, Electricity) employ about 2,600.

The total labour employment in the main industries and public services go on the average to add up to 12,500 skilled and nearly 49,200 unskilled men and some 21,600 women and juveniles, forming a grand total of 83,300. To this figure might be added some 5,500 workers engaged in tailoring and shoe repairing.

LABOUR CONTENTIONS

Number settled	
(a) Administratively or by conciliation	4,286
(b) After arbitration (official trade dispute)	NIL
(c) By Industrial Magistrate's Court (legal dispute)	46+

+of which 21 settled in Chambers.

STRIKES

Industry	Number of Strikes	Number of workers involved	Number of men-days lost
Electricity Supply	1	373	1,865

CASUALTIES SUSTAINED DURING WORK

	Deaths	Injuries
Factory cases	-	309
Rail Transport cases	-	57
Other cases	11	6,094
Total	11	6,460

EMPLOYMENT OF SKILLED AND UNSKILLED WORKERS - OTHER INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC SERVICES[@]

	ISIC Group	Skilled Workers	Unskilled Workers			Total
			Males	Females	Juveniles	
Aerated Water Works	214	65	74	34	-	173
Aloe Fibre Industry[+]	231	62	517	950	247	1,776
Bakeries	206	290	230	-	-	520
Building Trade	400	1,399	685	4	125	2,213
Bus Coach Building	383	92	-	-	61	153
Cigarette Manufacture	220	57	54	125	1	237
Distilling Industry	211	22	142	1	2	167
Docks	720	143	913	11	19	1,086
Electrical Companies	511	395	198	-	15	608
Footwear Manufacture	241) 300)	238	-	189	-	427
Jewellers' Trade	395	313	-	-	96	409
Lime Industry	311	187	138	231	-	556
Match Industry	319	-	21	-	-	21
Oil Industry	312	8	53	-	-	61
Printing Establishments	280	293	12	-	70	375
Public Services:						
Government	810	2,433	7,106	552	103	10,194
Municipal[*]	810	196	709	62	53	1,020
Salt Manufacture	190	16	45	68	-	129
Saw Mills	250	60	130	-	-	190
Stevedoring	716	820	-	-	-	820
Tanning Industry	291	26	21	2	-	49
Tea Industry	209	36	874	734	236	1,880
Tobacco Plantations	010	107	819	920	178	2,024
Wine Manufacture	212	105	112	189	1	407
Workshops - Engineering and Motor	381) 382) 383) 384)	881	411	3	351	1,646
		8,244	13,264	4.075	1,558	27,141

ISIC = International Standard Industrial Classification

[@] 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 31.12.57

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 31.12.57
Technical Workers			
Government Printing Workers' Union	74	13	61
Telecommunications Staff Association	90	9	81
Printing Workers' Union	103	-	103
Agricultural Department Junior Professional & Technical Officers' Association	54	3	51
Central Electricity Board Technical and Clerical Staff Association	144	8	136
Income Tax Technical Staff Union	16	-	16
The General Electrical Workers' Union	437	10	427
Commercial			
Jewellers' Association	10	-	10
Market Traders' Association	41	-	41
Industrial			
Mauritius Tobacco Producers' Syndicate	75	30	45
Mauritius Cane Growers' Association	38	3	35
Mauritius Sugar Producers' Association	23	-	23
Federation of Port and Harbour Employers	12	-	12
Bus Drivers' and Conductors' Union	236	110	126
Road Transport Employees' Association	11	3	8
General Transport Workers' Union	101	8	93
The Mauritius Federation of Transport	7	1	6
Taxi Owners' Association	169	9	160
Fisheries Owners' Association	4	-	4
The Mauritius Shoemakers' Union	32	8	24
The Mauritius Owners of Bakeries Association	24	-	24
Labour			
School Servants' Union	53	25	28
Government Manual Workers' Union	746	228	518
General Port and Harbour Workers' Union	1,610	75	1,535
Agricultural Workers' Union	1,318	434	884
Amalgamated Labourers' Association	5,163	2	5,161
Gold, Silver and Allied Trades' Union	14	-	14
All Workers' Union	92	8	84
Workmen's Union	10	-	10
Government Messengers' Union	110	4	106
United Docks & Stevedores Workers' Union	388	54	334
Building Industry Workers' Union	245	100	145
Medical and Health Services and Public Works Department Employees' Union	381	159	222
The General Union of Port Louis Workers	10	6	4
All Female Workers' Union	107	14	93
The Mauritius Bakers' Union	51	4	47

LIST OF TRADE UNIONS AND/OR INDUSTRIAL ASSOCIATIONS AS AT 31.12.57 (contd)

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 31.12.57
Clerical			
Government Clerical Service Association	266	14	252
Sanitary Officers' Union	50	2	48
Municipal Employees' Association	23	3	20
Docks and Wharves Staff Employees' Association	232	-	232
Sugar Industry Staff Employees' Association	615	11	604
Cable and Wireless (Mauritius Local Staff) Employees' Association	16	-	16
Clerks' Association	81	-	81
Mauritius Commercial Bank Employees' Association	133	-	133
Mauritius Bank Officers' Guild	79	-	79
Professional			
Principals of Roman Catholic Secondary Schools' Union	9	1	8
Builders' Association of Mauritius	5	-	5
Secondary and Preparatory School Teachers' Union	87	16	71
Union of Primary School Teachers	239	51	188
Government Teachers' Union	166	-	166
Mauritius Senior Professional Civil Servants' Association	64	-	64
Nursing Association	217	173	44
Miscellaneous			
Government General Employees' Union	427	158	269
Postmen Union	75	7	68
Government Servants' & Employees' Association	2,382	553	1,829
Artisans and General Workers' Union	1,420	343	1,077
Port Louis Firemen Union	57	-	57
Public Servants' Association	204	61	143
Yamiatul Aimma	19	2	17
Federation of Civil Service Unions of Mauritius	8	-	8
Prison Officers' Union	93	-	93
TOTAL	18,966	2,723	16,243

EDUCATION

Number of children of normal primary school going age (5 and over - under 12) ... 112,000

Percentage enrolment to children of normal primary school going age ... 75%

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	60,816	3,785	64,601	2,143	66,744
1953	68,648	4,165	72,813	2,106	74,919
1954	68,926	4,286	73,212	2,146	75,358
1955	71,503	4,543	76,046	2,007	78,053
1956	72,333	4,636	76,969	1,955	78,924
1957	86,422	4,776	91,198	2,055	93,253

[@] Exclusive of children attending private institutions

[+] The figures here comprise about 30 - 35% of younger pupils reading in the primary section of these schools.

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 31.10.57)

DISTRICT	Number of Schools	Number of pupils on roll and in average attendance — In Government Schools — BOYS — Number on roll	Average Attendance	GIRLS — Number on roll	Average Attendance	Total Number of pupils on roll	Number of Schools	Number of pupils on roll and in average attendance — In Aided Schools — BOYS — Number on roll	Average Attendance	GIRLS — Number on roll	Average Attendance	Total Number of pupils on roll
Port Louis	13	4,491	3,860	3,490	2,940	7,981	11	4,652	4,061	4,717	4,016	9,369
Pamplemousses	15	3,601	3,030	2,507	2,124	6,108	2	551	455	455	385	1,006
Grand Port	13	3,034	2,508	2,054	1,649	5,088	6	1,479	1,218	1,251	993	2,730
Plaines Wilhems	17	5,916	5,059	4,202	3,555	10,118	20	7,999	6,861	7,171	6,057	15,170
Moka	6	1,096	915	691	582	1,787	8	1,812	1,519	1,290	1,041	3,102
Riviere du Rempart	11	3,773	3,155	2,122	1,752	5,895	4	800	638	733	588	1,533
Savanne	9	2,413	1,992	1,547	1,245	3,960	5	1,251	999	887	685	2,138
Black River	2	373	311	288	234	661	4	579	458	407	317	986
Flacq	11	2,450	2,056	1,689	1,392	4,139	13	2,807	2,319	1,844	1,500	4,651
TOTAL	97	27,147	22,886	18,590	15,473	45,737	73	21,930	18,528	18,755	15,582	40,685
Rodrigues	1	306	242	266	209	572	4	757	541	726	580	1,483

GOVERNMENT AND AIDED SECONDARY SCHOOLS - (AS AT 31.10.57)

Distribution of Schools	NUMBER OF PUPILS ON ROLL AND IN AVERAGE ATTENDANCE				
	BOYS		GIRLS		Total number of pupils
	Number on roll	Number in average attendance	Number on roll	Number in average attendance	
GOVERNMENT					
Royal College	438	400	-	-	438
Royal College School	497	436	-	-	497
Queen Elizabeth College	-	-	217	207	217
TOTAL	935	836	217	207	1,152
AIDED*					
Loreto Convent (Curepipe)	-	-	282	270	282
Loreto Convent (St. Pierre)	-	-	109	103	109
Loreto Convent (Quatre Bornes)	-	-	217	211	217
Loreto Convent (Port Louis)	-	-	463	428	463
Loreto Convent (Vacoas)	-	-	136	127	136
St. Joseph College	346	344	-	-	346
St. Esprit College	309	284	-	-	309
St. Andrews College	303	291	91	86	394
TOTAL	958	919	1,298	1,225	2,256

*Excluding the younger pupils reading in the primary section of these schools.

SUMMARY

ROLL+ OF PUPILS AND STUDENTS IN SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES (AS AT 31.10.57)

	ENROLMENT			AVERAGE ATTENDANCE		
	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total
Primary Schools						
Government	27,147	18,590	45,737	22,886	15,473	38,359
Aided	21,930	18,755	40,685	18,528	15,582	34,110
Secondary Schools						
Government	935	217	1,152	836	207	1,043
Aided*	958	1,298	2,256	919	1,225	2,144
TOTAL	50,970	38,860	89,830	43,169	32,487	75,656

STUDENTS

Agricultural College	...	82
Training College for Teachers	...	233

SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES		NUMBER	NUMBER OF TEACHERS
Primary Schools			
Government and Aided	...	170	2,533
Other Institutions	...	152	420
Secondary Schools			
Government			
Royal College) Royal College School) Queen Elizabeth College)	...	3	75
Aided	...	8	136
Other Institutions	...	58	403

Pupil - Teacher Ratio

Primary Schools:	Government	34 : 1
	Aided	34 : 1
Secondary " :	Government	15 : 1
	Aided	16 : 1

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)	.	5
Number of teachers	.	69

+Mauritius only.

*Excluding younger pupils reading in the primary section of these schools.

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

OUTDOOR RELIEF

The following table shows the classification of persons receiving relief in 1957 according to disabilities:

	Males	Females	Total
Old age	1,277	1,249	2,526
Chronic invalids	1,258	955	2,213
Unemployment	693	51	744
Tuberculosis	484	223	707
Other diseases, malaria, etc..	2,291	1,661	3,952
Temporary disabilities	4,326	2,225	6,551
Unmarried women with young children	-	2,185	2,185
Orphans of tender age	451	463	914
Women with young children	-	2,269	2,269
Earnings insufficient	329	260	589
Alimonies	1	221	222
	11,110	11,762	22,872

INDOOR RELIEF

The following table shows the number of inmates maintained in Infirmaries and Orphanages as at 31st December, 1957:

Charitable Institutions	Males	Females	Total
Orphanages			
Belle Rose	38	13	51
Bon Secours	-	45	45
Mahébourg	12	11	23
Père Laval	13	-	13
Praisance	11	-	11
Tamarin Mission	4	6	10
Rose Belle	2	13	15
Shradanand	5	9	14
Total	85	97	182
Infirmaries			
Belle Rose	-	53	53
Bon Secours	-	30	30
Calebasses	192	-	192
Chemin Grenier	1	26	27
Curriimjee Jeewonjee	49	18	67
Hospice Père Laval	-	65	65
Pamplemousses	68	-	68
Rose Belle	71	19	90
Shradanand	-	31	31
The Home	17	14	31
Total	398	256	654

OLD AGE RELIEF

The following table shows the number of persons receiving Old Age Pension as at 31st December, 1957:

	Males	Females	Total
Men aged 65 and over and Women aged 60 and over	4,326	15,174	19,500
Blind persons aged 40 and over	55	52	107
Total	4,381	15,226	19,607

AGRICULTURE AND PRODUCTION

LAND UTILISATION

	Acres	Acres	% of total Island area
Agriculture:		208,500	45.2
Sugar	190,500		41.3
Aloe Fibre (effective area)	4,300		0.9
Tea	3,600		0.8
Tobacco	800		0.2
Foodcrops	4,300		0.9
Vegetables	5,000		1.1
Arable land potentially productive		1,900	0.4
Private Forest lands		5,800	1.3
Meadows, grassland, scrub and grazing grounds		108,000	23.4
Crown Forests		67,100	14.8
Natural Reserves		15,500	3.4
Built-up Areas:		14,200	3.1
Towns (within municipal limits)	7,900		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 1957, about 190,500 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 1 cereal and several rootcrops occupy some 4,300 acres (including mixed cropping with sugar). There are in addition about 1,000 acres of banana plantation.

CULTIVATION AND PRODUCTION

	Acres under cultivation	Metric tons
Industrial crops		
Cane Sugar	190,500	562,000
Aloe (raw fibre)	-*	1,744
Tea	3,600	859
Tobacco	800	438+
	Acres harvested (Calendar year 1957)	
Foodcrops		
Maize	1,670	960
Manioc	320	1,400
Sweet potatoes	360	1,040
Eddoes	190	730
Potatoes	600	2,510
Groundnuts	1,100	1,010

* Not exactly ascertainable; aloe mostly grows wild in scrub land.

\+ Weight of leaf tobacco.

FOOD PRODUCTION

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

This effective area is made up of:

(i) Land devoted exclusively to foodcrop 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.

The considerable decrease in foodcrop production during the last periods under review has been stated as due to various reasons: lack of good quality seeds in the case of potatoes; the larger profits and greater security now attached to cane growing; the lack of easy credit terms for financing foodcrops; the great competition of imported foodstuffs now unrestricted in quantity.

Harvested area (acres) of foodcrop 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	648	996	2,092	893	18,036
1949-50	8,425	1,442	438	224	1,168	1,347	677	13,721
1950-51	5,056	899	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	4,426	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	810	178	449	1,291	739	21	8,121
1955-56	2,847	466	134	121	690	404	-	4,662
1956-57	1,771	330	202	258	937	840	-	4,338

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	3,629	902	599	19,673
1949-50	5,250	3,939	1,092	494	3,360	904	519	15,558
1950-51	3,427	3,378	1,044	1,009	4,470	723	418	14,469
1951-52	3,101	3,079	1,140	1,326	4,948	1,406	75	15,075
1952-53	2,928	3,060	1,324	1,615	7,069	1,306	69	17,371
1953-54	2,684	2,895	1,046	1,338	4,750	827	45	13,585
1954-55	2,890	3,110	600	1,505	6,190	690	15	15,000
1955-56	1,641	2,046	506	347	2,885	369	-	7,794
1956-57	1,019	1,456	776	742	3,909	773	-	8,675

The average yield obtained in kilos per acre during the years 1955-56 and 1956-57 for each of the main foodcrops is given in the following table:-

	Kgs per acre			Kgs per acre	
	1955-56	1956-57		1955-56	1956-57
Maize	576	575	Sweet potatoes	2,868	2,878
Manioc	4,390	4,412	Groundnuts	953	920
Eddoes	3,776	3,842	Potatoes	4,181	4,171

CANE CULTIVATION AND SUGAR PRODUCTION

Cultivation and Yield

The total area under cane cultivation in 1957 was 190,519 acres, of which 176,870 acres or 92.8 of the total cultivated area, were harvested. Very near 4,343,900 metric tons of cane were reaped. The larger estates, to which a factory is attached, produced 62.7% and the other plantations 37.3% of the total. The largest average yield of cane per acre for the crop was 38.5 metric tons obtained by one estate with factory, located South of the Island; the lowest average yield obtained by planters was 10.8 metric tons per acre. The average yield for the whole crop was 24.6 metric tons per acre. The crop was in some parts affected by a severe drought, which starting in the latter half of 1956, became more pronounced in January, February and March 1957 i.e. at the height of the growth season.

The plantations of the coastal belt to the East and West, and also in the Extreme North suffered more particularly. The districts of normally abundant rainfall in the Centre and South were not affected.

It may be significant to note that as regards this crop, the large estates possessing a factory, reaped on the average 64% greater tonnage per acre than all the other planters together, leaving out the metayers.

The following table gives the area of estates with factory under the principal cane varieties as at 30th June, 1956 and 1957:

Variety	30th June, 1956		30th June, 1957	
	Acres	% of total area	Acres	% of total area
M 134/32	63,799	66	54,993	55
E 1/37	16,924	18	20,675	21
B 3337	3,735	4	4,200	4
B 37161	2,890	3	3,359	3
B 37172	2,150	2	3,103	3
M 112/34	1,930	2	2,217	2
M 147/44	1,261	1	5,543	6
M 31/45	1,408	1	2,733	3
M 423/41	1,280	1	939	1
Others	1,514	2	1,790	2
Total	96,891	100	99,552	100

FURTHER DETAILS ON THE SUGARCANE CULTIVATION IN 1957

	Area under cultivation		Area harvested			Tonnage of cane harvested		Yield
	Acres	% of total	Acres	% of total	% of area cultivated	M/Tons	% of total	Tons/Acre
Estates with factory:								
Virgins	23,276	52.3	12,078	49.9	88.7	410,460	9.5	30.8
Ratoons	76,276		76,217			2,312,666	53.2	
Total	99,552	52.3	88,295	49.9	88.7	2,723,126	62.7	30.8
Metayers' lands	9,149	4.8	8,820	5.0	96.4	121,814	2.8	13.8
Planters' lands	81,818	42.9	79,755	45.1	97.5	1,498,958	34.5	18.8
Island Total	190,519	100.0	176,870	100.0	92.8	4,343,898	100.0	24.6

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	6,380	30.8	1.7	10.0 - 99.99	932	4.5	11.5
1.0 - 1.99	5,884	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	57.7
3.0 - 4.99	2,664	12.8	5.2				
5.0 - 9.99	1,704	8.2	5.9	Total	20,721	100.0	100.0

MANUFACTURE OF SUGAR - 1957

The cane crop was milled in 26 factories, the majority of which operated between the fourth week of July and the fourth week of November. The earliest and latest dates of the milling period were the 3rd July and 17th December, 1957 respectively. The total weight of cane milled amounted to 4,344,000 metric tons in round numbers.

The production was distributed among the 26 factories as follows:

Quantity of sugar manufactured	Number of factories
Over 25,000 m/tons	7
20,000 - 25,000 m/tons	7
15,000 - 20,000 "	4
10,000 - 15,000 "	8
	26

SUGAR FACTORIES' PRODUCTION

In M/Tons

Products of Manufacture		Residues of Manufacture	
White Sugar	Raw Sugar	Molasses	Scums
19,413	542,590	110,471	88,814

Reckoning on the whole of the 1957 production, the overall commercial sugar extraction was 12.94% by weight of millable cane, which corresponds to an equivalent of 7.73 tons of cane for 1 ton of sugar produced. The best average extraction of commercial sugar for a single factory was 14.98% of millable cane and the least extraction was 11.37%.

The total factory production was 19,413 metric tons of white (unrefined) sugar and 542,590 metric tons of raw sugar. The total tonnage of sugar manufactured was thus 562,003 metric tons showing an overall yield of sugar per harvested acre of 3.18 metric tons. The total sugar production for 1957 was 1.8% less than that of 1956 owing to a decrease of 2.4% in the average yield of canes per acre due to drought but partly offset by an increase of 1.0% in the overall harvested area, with the average of the sugar extraction remaining almost the same.

The largest quantity manufactured by a single factory was 56,407 metric tons and the smallest 10,613 metric tons. 14 factories produced more than 20,000 metric tons, 18 produced more than 15,000 metric tons and 26 factories out of 26 produced more than 10,000 metric tons.

SUGAR INDUSTRY RESULTS 1948 - 1957

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	3,158,823	18,467	373,211	391,678
1949	163,246	150,235	3,355,398	11,601	404,422	416,023
1950	170,612	157,522	3,719,674	12,570	444,121	456,691
1951	176,381	166,502	4,355,177	11,018	473,068	484,086
1952	181,798	172,465	4,096,700	17,107	451,176	468,283
1953	184,486	174,289	4,642,859	13,684	498,541	512,225
1954	186,512	175,685	4,280,078	15,009	483,733	498,742
1955	187,792	175,390	4,227,757	18,939	514,402	533,341
1956	187,961	175,121	4,421,427	19,257	553,255	572,512
1957	190,519	176,870	4,343,898	19,413	542,590	562,003

YIELD OF SMALL CANE PLANTATIONS
(Frequency distribution of sample)

Yield in Tons/Arpents+	1953 Frequency per 1,000	1954 Frequency per 1,000	1955 Frequency per 1,000	1956 Frequency per 1,000	1957 Frequency per 1,000
Less than 5	(5.9)	(7.5)	(14.0)	(16.9)	(22.2)
5.0 - 5.9	5.3	4.8	7.3	7.7	16.4
6.0 - 6.9	7.2	10.5	13.2	11.3	19.7
7.0 - 7.9	8.9	13.5	17.7	15.9	28.4
8.0 - 8.9	11.5	18.0	16.8	19.0	25.5
9.0 - 9.9	15.0	25.2	23.7	26.7	30.7
10.0 - 10.9	18.6	25.4	30.4	33.8	32.6
11.0 - 11.9	23.3	26.6	33.7	26.5	37.1
12.0 - 12.9	26.2	39.7	39.1	30.4	37.1
13.0 - 13.9	30.7	40.1	42.6	36.3	40.5
14.0 - 14.9	32.6	48.4	48.1	41.3	35.9
15.0 - 15.9	35.6	44.9	46.0	39.8	41.7
16.0 - 16.9	35.7	56.8	43.4	45.6	45.7
17.0 - 17.9	36.7	45.4	52.1	40.7	42.3
18.0 - 18.9	39.1	55.8	54.4	45.4	48.1
19.0 - 19.9	42.1	52.0	54.4	41.3	51.0
20.0 - 20.9	44.1	55.9	52.5	49.2	44.4
21.0 - 21.9	42.8	49.2	45.0	46.1	43.2
22.0 - 22.9	42.9	47.2	43.4	42.5	37.1
23.0 - 23.9	41.0	40.7	38.5	42.5	35.1
24.0 - 24.9	40.9	38.3	35.5	40.9	30.9
25.0 - 25.9	39.8	34.9	36.9	33.8	31.3
26.0 - 26.9	39.1	32.3	31.2	31.9	25.1
27.0 - 27.9	37.9	31.7	27.4	34.8	21.0
28.0 - 28.9	34.9	21.6	23.5	22.9	18.9
29.0 - 29.9	33.2	23.0	23.3	21.9	22.4
30.0 - 30.9	30.7	15.9	16.4	24.6	17.6
31.0 - 31.9	27.6	13.9	15.4	18.3	13.3
32.0 - 32.9	25.2	15.3	11.2	15.8	23.7
33.0 - 33.9	22.4	10.7	8.9	11.7	17.4
34.0 - 34.9	20.3	8.5	7.5	11.1	9.6
35.0 - 35.9	17.6	6.2	10.4	10.0	7.5
36.0 - 36.9	14.6	4.4	7.1	9.0	8.1
37.0 and above	(70.6)	(35.7)	(29.0)	(54.4)	(38.5)
Total number of plantations	5,198	5,040	5,069	5,204	4,819

+1 arpent = 1.043 acres.

AREA OF SMALL PLANTATIONS

(Frequency Distribution of Sample)

Area (Arpents)	1953 Frequency per 1,000	1954 Frequency per 1,000	1955 Frequency per 1,000	1956 Frequency per 1,000	1957 Frequency per 1,000
Less than 1.00	(210.3)	(205.5)	(202.2)	(230.6)	(215.0)
1.00 - 1.99	278.0	277.0	278.3	275.8	285.6
2.00 - 2.99	178.2	185.3	185.4	176.4	177.8
3.00 - 3.99	114.7	106.3	108.9	102.6	101.9
4.00 - 4.99	64.8	66.5	66.3	68.0	66.6
5.00 - 5.99	44.4	45.4	45.6	43.6	44.0
6.00 - 6.99	31.2	32.1	29.0	31.1	34.0
7.00 - 7.99	19.0	20.8	20.3	18.8	19.5
8.00 - 8.99	13.7	17.5	16.0	14.0	15.8
9.00 - 9.99	8.8	7.7	11.2	8.5	7.7
10.00 - 10.99	8.1	10.3	9.5	7.1	8.5
11.00 - 11.99	4.2	4.6	3.9	3.6	4.4
12.00 - 12.99	5.6	5.0	5.3	4.4	4.6
13.00 - 13.99	4.4	2.2	2.6	2.1	1.2
14.00 - 14.99	2.5	1.6	2.8	2.7	2.5
15.00 - 15.99	2.9	3.4	3.4	2.7	2.7
16.00 - 16.99	1.3	0.8	1.2	0.4	0.6
17.00 - 17.99	0.8	0.6	1.8	1.4	0.8
18.00 - 18.99	1.0	1.6	1.0	1.2	0.8
19.00 - 19.99	1.3	0.8	0.4	0.8	1.0
20.00 and above	(4.8)	(5.0)	(4.9)	(4.2)	(5.0)
Total number of plantations	5,198	5,040	5,069	5,204	4,819

The sample examined for the year 1957 comprised 4,819 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 modal value of the yield in 1957 was 19.3 tons per arpent, whereas the weighted mean value was 19.7, a decrease of 7% on the corresponding figure for 1956 which was 21.2 tons per arpent. The effect of the drought already mentioned is very apparent here.

In the sample examined, an overwhelming majority of small plantations (85%) have an area of less than 5 arpents.

MECHANICAL CULTIVATION ON SUGAR PLANTATIONS

About 225 cultivation tractors were owned in 1957 by the larger estates and plantations, and some 35 more were operated by contractors and the Sugar Planters' Mechanical Pool.

The majority of these tractors were below 45 H.P. and about 43% were of the Caterpillar & Cletrac makes.

Some 275 ploughs were used on sugar plantations.

SUGAR PRODUCTION 1949 - 1957

Year	I N D E X (1948 = 100)		
	Acreage cultivated	Sugar production	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	146
1956	122	146	155
1957	123	143	153+

DISTILLERY PRODUCE

In 1957, 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 15,600 hectolitres, about 10% less than the total production of the previous year.

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

In hectolitres

Rum (50° G.L.)	14,667	Vinegar	183
Power Alcohol (94° - 96° G.L.)	1,426	Drugs	34
Denatured stove spirits (88° - 90° G.L.)	6,456	Perfumes (94° G.L.)	201
		Exported alcohol (94° G.L.)	309

The remaining stock (in terms of pure alcohol) held by distilleries at the end of the year was 4,992 hectolitres (at 100° G.L.).

+Provisional.

EXPORT OF COLONIAL SPIRITS

The quantity and value of high degree alcohol exported during the last 9 years are given in the following table:-

Year	Hectolitres	Value in Rupees
1949	61,915	4,327,852
1950	41,465	2,902,562
1951	65,931	4,615,137
1952	68,964	4,827,465
1953	21,185	1,557,114
1954	284	25,403
1955	295	23,057
1956	255	21,171
1957	309	25,553

ALOE FIBRE INDUSTRY

Fibre, extracted from the leaves of the plant "furcroea gigantea", is at present partly used in the manufacture of a number of packing bags or sacks and filter press cloth for the sugar industry and partly 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 according to reports received covers an area of some 1,600 acres, of which less than 200 are sisal. As compared with last year, a considerable reduction in the area under regular plantations has therefore taken place. The wild furcroea is estimated to grow sparsely over some 12,000 acres, but at present production is estimated from the yield to be derived from an equivalent effective area of some 2,700 acres.

The requirements of the sugar industry for packing a production of 500,000 metric tons of sugar are $6\frac{1}{4}$ million bags of 80 kgs net capacity. It has been calculated that slightly over $6\frac{3}{4}$ 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 1957 was only 1,544 tons of fibre and some 200 tons of tow and cuttings.

The weaving factory was erected in Mauritius in 1932. It has recently been enlarged and its production capacity has been more than doubled. In 1957, the weaving factory utilised some 1,900 tons of raw fibre to produce slightly less than $1\frac{3}{4}$ million bags of 80 kgs capacity to pack the sugar manufactured in the Colony. This production, however, is only about 28% of the sugar industry's requirements.

The fibre production of the last 8 years was as follows:

Year	Number of factories in operation	Production (M/Tons)
1950	40	1,714
1951	42	2,032
1952	42	2,254
1953	40	2,177
1954	40	1,980
1955	30	1,722
1956	23	1,513
1957	22	1,744

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

Year	Quantity	F.O.B. Value
	(M/Tons)	(Rupees)
1950	380	567,272
1951	626	924,141
1952	506	685,685
1953	153	76,029
1954	60	25,007
1955	186	99,565
1956	98	49,811
1957	NIL	NIL

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

Commodity	Unit	YEAR		
		1955	1956	1957
Raw fibre used	M/Tons	2,905	1,521	1,797
Sacks (capacity: 80 kgs of sugar)	Units	2,687,369	1,401,143	1,657,046
Sacking cloth	Sq. Yds	6,303	1,625	4,149
Filter press cloth	Yards	64,332	12,457	15,467
Yarn for twine making	M/Tons	8	13	21

TEA INDUSTRY

Tea is grown in the well-watered uplands of the Island. In 1957, some 3,600 acres were under cultivation of which about 2,600 acres were in bearing. There were 387 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	411,068
La Flora	192,496
Corson	148,661
Pont Colville	68,163
Nouvelle France	38,605
Total	858,993

In addition, 300 kgs of green tea were manufactured during the year.

Out of the production of 859 metric tons of tea, 441 tons were exported.

Importation of foreign tea from Ceylon, Hong-Kong and China amounted to only 9 tons.

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

AREA, PRODUCTION, IMPORTS AND EXPORTS 1940 - 1957

Year	Area under cultivation+	Local production	Imports	Exports
	Acres	M/Tons	M/Tons	M/Tons
1940	1,086	69.5	99.4	-
1941	1,326	105.5	144.8	-
1942	1,670	126.1	84.5	-
1943	1,969	173.9	68.1	-
1944	2,009	173.2	42.0	-
1945	2,009	165.0@	29.0	-
1946	2,009	216.4	72.2	-
1947	2,009	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	16.4	113.2
1955	2,900	608.6	15.9	175.6
1956	2,985	697.8	9.8	152.4
1957	3,577	859.3	8.8	440.6

+The areas given in this column are approximate, except for 1956, year in which a survey of all plantations was made.

@Severe Cyclones.

TOBACCO INDUSTRY

Tobacco cultivation in 1957 covered an area of 830 acres, the production being restricted to 431 tons of cured leaf tobacco. There were 463 growers, of which 383 produced air-cured and 80 flue-cured tobacco. Further details of this industry are given in the following tables:

	1956 - 1957	1957 - 1958
Acreage under cultivation		
Flue-cured leaf	613 acres	645 acres
Air-cured leaf	106 "	185 "
Total	719 acres	830 acres
Crop production		
Flue-cured leaf	311,986 kgs	303,993 kgs
Air-cured leaf	92,619 "	134,320 "
Total	404,605 kgs	438,313 kgs
Average yield per acre		
Flue-cured	509 kgs	471 kgs
Air-cured	874 "	726 "
Overall average	563 "	528 "

AVERAGE RETURN OBTAINED BY PRODUCERS IN MAURITIUS

Variety	PER ACRE		PER KILOG	
	1956-1957	1957-1958	1956-1957	1957-1958
	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs
Flue-cured	2,641	2,691	5.19	5.71
Air-cured	2,133	1,789	2.44	2.47

HIGHEST AND LOWEST VALUES OBTAINED DURING YEAR 1957 - 1958

Variety	Yield per acre		Value per acre		Value per kilog.	
	Highest	Lowest	Highest	Lowest	Highest	Lowest
	Kgs	Kgs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs
Flue-cured Amarello	1,555	294	8,235	1,010	6.43	2.65
Air-cured Amarello	2,149	14	6,033	27	2.81	1.30

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 FACTORIES

In kilos

	FINANCIAL YEAR		
	1954 - 1955	1955 - 1956	1956 - 1957
Local leaf[@]	394,938	443,214	445,340
Imported leaf	146,643	140,128	102,936
Total	541,581	583,342	548,276
Quantity of tobacco leaf used at factories			
Local leaf[@]	388,377	423,544	442,390
Imported leaf	148,181	132,198	117,322
Total	536,558	555,742	559,712

Imported leaf represents on the average only 24% of the total leaf consumed.

QUANTITY OF MANUFACTURED PRODUCTS OBTAINED FROM LEAF

	FINANCIAL YEAR		
	1954 - 1955	1955 - 1956	1956 - 1957
Quantity of manufactured tobacco obtained from leaf[+]	542,259	576,228	571,316
Marketable tobacco Products			
Cigarettes	538,533	573,318	567,506
Snuff	3,048	2,760	2,376
Total	541,581	576,078	569,882

In the course of the three-year period ending mid 1957, an average of 560 metric tons of locally manufactured cigarettes went into consumption, with in addition an average of about 74 metric tons of the imported commodity. In the average total of 633 metric tons of cigarettes consumed, the local production represents therefore the very considerable proportion of 88%.

[@]Including a very small quantity of leaf from Rodrigues.

[+]The increase of 1.1% - 3.7% in weight here is due to the incorporation of moisture in process of manufacture.

FORESTRY

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 187,850 acres which are distributed as follows:-

		Acres	Acres
1.	CROWN FORESTS		67,150
	(i) Native Forests	4,520	
	(ii) Productive Forests	23,859	
	(iii) Catchment Areas	10,602	
	(iv) Mountain Reserves	23,424	
	(v) Miscellaneous	4,745	
2.	LEASED CROWN LANDS ON THE COASTAL BELT OF 250 FEET		5,500
	(i) Tree plantations	4,400	
	(ii) Grazing lands	1,100	
3.	NATIONAL RESERVES		15,500
	(i) Mountain Reserves	9,000	
	(ii) River Reserves	6,500	
4.	PRIVATE HOLDINGS		99,700
	(i) Forest land	5,800	
	(ii) Scrub land	93,900	
	TOTAL FOREST AND SCRUB LANDS		187,850

From 1946 to 1957, 451 acres have been planted with tree seedlings in the River Reserves, while 759 acres of new plantations were created in 1957 within the Crown Forest Lands.

Building and furniture timber from Crown Forests produce in 1957 amounted to 9,010 cubic metres (in log volumes). In addition, it is estimated that 5,700 cubic metres of timber (in log volumes) were produced from privately owned Forests and 'Pas Géométriques'.

The volume of imported timber in 1957 exceeded by 14% the volume of local forest produce.

TOTAL OUTPUT OF TIMBER AND WOOD FUEL IN 1957

	Unit	From Crown Forests	From Pas Géométriques and Private Forests	Total
Timber	Cu. metres (round timber)	9,010	5,700	14,710
Wood Fuel (round wood)	Cu. metres (solid)	32,376	13,800	46,176

Details of the output of forest produce for 1957 are given hereunder.

PRODUCE OF CROWN FORESTS, PRIVATE FORESTS & PAS GEOMETRIQUES
(Log volumes in hundreds of Cu. metres)

Timber	88.5
Sleepers	-
Round wood	58.5
Firewood	394.2
Charcoal	67.1

This represents a total equivalent in log volume of round timber of roughly 60,800 cubic metres.

The Crown Forests also supplied 136 cubic metres of log wood for match manufactures.

OTHER INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION

LIME

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 - 1957 was as follows:-

Year	Number of Lime Works in operation	LIME PRODUCED		
		1st Grade+	Other Grades*	Total
		M/Tons	M/Tons	M/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
1956	24	6,000	5,000	11,000
1957	23	5,700	4,500	10,200

+containing 60 - 70% of Calcium Oxide and utilised mainly in Sugar Factories.

*containing 30 - 60% of Calcium Oxide and used in the building trade. A small amount is also utilised for agricultural purposes.

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 1957, 8 salt-works having a total area of about 150 acres. Of these 7 were in operation. The smallest works have a surface of less than one acre while the largest in actual operation in 1957 was of 57 acres.

The production for 1950 - 1957 was as follows:-

Year	No. of salt-works	Total production
1950	10	2,610 M/Tons
1951	9	3,400 "
1952	6	2,210 "
1953	7	2,500 "
1954	6	3,100 "
1955	7	3,500 "
1956	7	3,500 "
1957	7	3,800 "

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 extablished some 35 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 - Agaléga and the Chagos Archipelago. The present production of copra is around 1,800 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 of the oil and soap manufactured during the last 6 years:

In Metric Tons

Year	Copra used	Edible oil produced	Poonac+ produced	Soap manufactured from	
				Copra oil	imported oil
1952	1,276	654	440	141	207
1953	1,498	833	524	89	114
1954	1,263	763	422	68	88
1955	1,189	711	383	65	71
1956	2,042	1,187	684	120	74
1957	1,954	1,202	665	132	33

+Oil cake residue for feeding animals.

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 1952 - 1957 are given hereunder:-

Year	PRODUCTION		Value Rs	CONSUMPTION
	Million sticks	Contained in gross boxes@		Gross Boxes@
1952	86	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++
1956	57	8,245*	30,300	9,800++
1957	55	7,786*	27,600	10,881++

Only one match factory was in operation in 1957. It consumed a total of 136 cubic metres of local wood during the year.

@Each box contains about 40 sticks.

*Including 389, 321 & 1,750 gross boxes of 80 sticks per box in 1955, 1956 and 1957 respectively.

++ Including 321, 1,700 and 1,795 gross boxes of 80 sticks per box in 1955, 1956 and 1957 respectively.

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 9,810 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 7,480 K.V.A.

There is, besides, a minor installation having a rated capacity of 550 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 20,400 K.V.A.

Hence, the aggregate power of all electricity generating installations in the Colony amounts to 38,200 K.V.A. or 51,000 H.P. Of this aggregate, the total capacity of electrical power plants installed in sugar factories now accounts for about 53%.

The total number of units generated in 1957 (exclusive of private steam plants) was as follows:-

Hydro-electric power plants	...	26.2 million Kwh
Diesel-electric power plants	...	18.4 " "
Total	...	44.6 million Kwh

The total output (exclusive of transmission losses) of the 3 main hydro-electric stations and of the diesel-powered plants was distributed by the various sub-stations as hereunder:-

		Kwh
Port Louis and district	...	10,590,618
Beau Bassin, Rose Hill, Quatre Bornes, Réduit, Moka and St. Pierre	...	11,411,025
Phoenix, Vacoas, Floréal, Curepipe and Forest Side	...	17,039,270
Rose Belle, Souillac and Mahebourg area		4,308,135
	Total	43,349,048

The total number of units actually consumed amounted to 43.3 million Kwh distributed as follows:-

	Units	% of total
Domestic consumption	25.5 million Kwh	58.9
Commercial consumption	3.9 " "	9.0
Industrial "	11.3 " "	26.1
Public utility (mainly street lighting)	2.6 " "	6.0
	43.3 million Kwh	100.0

+See next page.

The number of consumers as at 31st December, 1957 was as follows:

District of Port Louis (extra muros)	...	1,518
District of Grand Port	...	4,159
District of Savanne	..	2,623
District of Moka	...	732
District of Pamplemousses	...	29
District of Rivière du Rempart	...	2
Towns:- Port Louis	...	11,336
Beau Bassin	...	2,099
Rose Hill	...	3,090
Quatre Bornes	...	3,051
Vacoas	...	5,304
Curepipe and outskirts	...	4,420
		38,363

NATURAL RESOURCES

WATER 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	8,800 KVA	23.1
2. The Cascade River Power Station, Réduit Falls	660 "	2.4
3. The Savanne River Power Station, Cecil Falls, Souillac	350 "	0.7
	9,810 KVA	26.2

In addition about 900 H.P. of minor isolated water power installation exist in sugar factories, and another 200 H.P. in aloe fibre factories.

HYDRO-ELECTRICITY@ 1946 - 1957

Year	Kwt-hrs generated	Index (1946 = 100)
	Million	
1946	12.4	100
1947	14.2	115
1948	15.4	124
1949	17.6	142
1950	20.8	168
1951	23.1	186
1952	26.8	216
1953	30.8	248
1954	31.4	253
1955	31.7	256
1956+	26.8	216
1957+	26.2	211

@ Maximum possible output = 100 million kwh

+ production affected by drought.

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 (Estimates)

Dairy stock (including young stock)	38,000	Sheep	2,000
Herd cattle	2,500	Goats	53,500
Draught cattle	1,200	Pigs	4,000

A Milch Cattle Census was taken by the Veterinary Section of the Agricultural Department in mid-1956; the results are as follows:-

Cows ...	16,500
Young females	14,100
Young males ...	5,900
Bulls ...	1,500
Total	38,000

LIVESTOCK IMPORTED DURING THE YEAR

Country of Origin	Equines	Cows & Oxen	Goats	Sheep	Pigs	Turtles
United Kingdom	6	-	-	-	-	-
Union of South Africa	9	-	-	-	-	-
Australia	-	-	-	1,180	-	-
France	6	-	-	-	-	-
Madagascar	-	5,661	-	-	-	-
Rodrigues	-	644	3,076	1,376	2,006	-
Other Dependencies	-	-	-	-	8	508
	21	6,305	3,076	2,556	2,014	508

DEPLETION OF LIVESTOCK+

	Head
Cattle	13,357*
Goats	16,218
Sheep	2,088
Pigs	6,436
Deer	2,000@

\+ Slaughtered for food.

* of which 7,587 were from local & Rodrigues herds.

@ estimated annual number of head killed in hunting parties.

Beef cattle supply	From Imports	From local & Rodrigues herds
Percentage of animals slaughtered	43	57

CATTLE SLAUGHTERED FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION (1948 - 1957)

Head

YEAR	LOCAL CATTLE					CATTLE FROM		GRAND TOTAL
	MILCH BREED			Other than Milch Breed	Total	Rodrigues	Madagascar	
	Bulls & Calves	Heifers	Cows					
1948	..	..	..	..	6,173	200*	5,859	12,232
1949	5,287	212	2,072	815	8,386	352	2,686	11,424+
1950	4,769	252	2,440	432	7,893	839	4,228	12,960
1951	4,580	253	1,733	321	6,887	620	1,580	9,087
1952	4,557	58	2,288	447	7,350	428	2,680	10,458+
1953	3,888	44	1,583	284	5,799	26	3,001	8,826
1954	3,838	62	2,056	777	6,733	258	3,521	10,512
1955	2,833	50	1,551	871	5,305	850	5,575	11,730+
1956	3,350	144	1,571	820	5,885	354	6,584	12,823+
1957	4,418	46	1,431	804	6,699	885	5,763	13,347+

* Estimated

\+ These figures exclude the very small number of animals slaughtered but found unfit for human consumption, namely 13 in 1949, 22 in 1952, 14 in 1955, 13 in 1956 and 10 in 1957.

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:-

		Varieties
(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 1957, 32 permits to use seine nets were issued giving employment to about 600 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	"	"
1956	...	372	"	"
1957	...	364	"	"

In 1957, the total individual fishings or net/days in the reserves amounted to 99 and the catch to 31.4 tons, as against 53 fishings and 24.6 tons in 1956. The average catch per net/day has thus decreased from 465 kgs in 1956 to 317 kgs in 1957.

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 octopi 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 is shown, hereunder, by mode of fishing:-

No. of fishermen	Using
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 1957 is estimated at 2,164 tons made up as follows:-

	M/Tons
Weight produced at controlled landing stations	1,664
Weight produced at uncontrolled landing stations	200
Weight of fish consumed by fishermen	180
Weight caught by non-professionals	120
Total	2,164

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

TOTAL CONTROLLED CATCH IN TONS

	1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957
Nets	401	399	413	380	393	410	425	441	372+	364+
B. Traps	662	511	606	664	764	791	649	706	699	723
Lines	215	163	161	190	226	247	275	297	317	316
Octopi	307	302	280	252	233	204	233	266	230	220
Lobsters	28	23	23	21	27	32	30	25	33	30
Spears / Sharks	(included in nets and lines)									11
	1613	1398	1483	1507	1648	1684	1612	1735	1651	1664

+Reduction due to partial application of the close season for nets.

CONTROLLED CATCH PER DISTRICT PER YEAR

(Metric Tons)

	1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957
Grand Port - Flacq	591	479	451	435	462	482	485	549	508	593
Pamplemousses - R. du Rempart	558	526	577	633	663	700	606	652	599	545
Black River - Savanne	464	393	454	439	523	502	521	534	544	526
	1613	1398	1482	1507	1648	1684	1612	1735	1651	1664

MONTHLY CATCH OF ALL CONTROLLED STATIONS

	METRIC TONS			Average 1948 - 1957	Graduated % average
	1955	1956	1957		
January	154.4	107.6	117.6	7.3	9.0
February	148.4	133.0	119.8	8.6	8.6
March	155.0	157.2	159.8	10.0	9.2
April	174.0	139.4	141.4	9.0	9.5
May	154.6	146.0	176.9	9.4	8.6
June	112.9	158.9	120.7	7.4	8.0
July	134.7	143.2	128.4	7.3	7.0
August	126.2	114.6	87.4	6.2	6.7
September	114.7	116.1	122.6	6.5	6.8
October	145.5	105.6	146.1	7.7	7.9
November	149.7	149.6	158.0	9.5	9.4
December	164.9	180.2	185.9	11.1	9.3
	1,735.0	1,651.4	1,664.6	100.0	100.0

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

(Metric Tons)

	1955	1956	1957
Main species	541	464	547
Octopi	266	230	220
Lobsters	25	33	29
Other species	553	569	488
Total inshore catch	1,385	1,296	1,284
Catch in other waters (offshore)	350	355	380
Total controlled catch	1,735	1,651	1,664

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 - 1957 is given hereunder:

1950	...	1,415
1951	...	1,632
1952	...	1,892
1953	...	1,960
1954	...	2,319
1955	...	2,448
1956	...	2,545
1957	...	2,460

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 1948-1957 was 209 tons of salted fish. In 1957, 189 tons of salted fish were received in Mauritius from St. Brandon. In the same year 313 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.

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YIELD OF ANIMAL PRODUCE

Milk	180,000 hectolitres
Butter	11 metric tons
Cheese	3 " "
Beef	1,820+ " "
Pork	310 " "
Mutton	190* " "
Goat flesh	135 " "
Cattle hides	13,300 units

+ Includes 930 metric tons or 51% of imported livestock and 140 tons or 8% of congealed beef.

* Includes 165 tons of congealed mutton.

SUMMARY OF LOCAL FOOD PRODUCTION

Commodity	Quantity produced for home consumption
Cereals	
Maize	960 metric tons
Bread	14,000 " "
Rootcrops	
Manioc	1,400 metric tons
Sweet potatoes and eddoes	1,770 " "
Potatoes	2,510 " "
Meat fresh	1,200 " "
Fish fresh	2,200 " "
Dairy produce	18,600 " "
Edible Oil (Coconut)	1,200 " "
Tea	860 " "
Sugar: White	16,300 " "
Raw	7,000 " "
Salt	3,800 " "
Rum	1,467,000 litres
Wine	3,656,000 "

SUMMARY OF INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION

Commodity	Quantity produced or manufactured
Sugar	562,000 metric tons
Aloe Fibre (Raw)	1,700 " "
Rum	1,467,000 litres
Alcohol for export	30,000 "
Tobacco (leaf)	440 metric tons
Pouch tobacco and snuff	3 " "
Cigarettes	561 " "
Tea	860 " "
Wine	3,864,000 litres
Soda water	489,000 "
Soft aerated beverages	3,777,000 "
Sacks (aloe fibre)	1,657,000 units
Cloth (aloe fibre, width 26")	5,700 yards
Yarn	21 metric tons
Lime	10,200 " "
Salt	3,800 " "
Soap	165 " "
Hides and skin, cattle	13,400 units
Timber (building and furniture)	7,400 cubic metres
Charcoal	950 metric tons (estimated)

NUMBER OF PERSONS LICENSED TO EXERCISE IN TRADES SPECIFIC TO FOOD PRODUCTION AND DISTRIBUTION

	I.S.I.C.+	
Manufacturer of Soda and Aerated Minerals	214	22
Manufacturer of salt	190	8
Victualler (on and off premises)	842	1,488
Restaurant Keeper	842	82
Hotel and Boarding House Keeper	843	3
Retailer of groceries	612	98
Manufacturer of Ice	399	6
Producer of Vinegar	209	6
Dealer in imported vegetables and fruits	612	17
General Retailer	612	2,925
Wholesale & Retail Dealer	611-612	136
Seller of Ale, Beer, Porter & Cider	612	34
Producer of Meat	201	201
Producer of Fresh Fish	040	1,778
Producer of Bread	206	83
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	312	1	Manufacturer of Gold and Silver Wares	395	135
" " Lime	311	25	Manufacturer of Matches	319	2
" " Salt	190	8	Manufacturer of Tobacco	220	2
" " Soap	319	3	Operator of a Foundry	341-342	125
Manufacturer or seller of bricks, tiles & cement	331	24	" " " Distillery	211	5
Manufacturer or Producer of vinegar	209	6	Dealer in Firewood	612	7
Manufacturer of Perfumed Spirits	319	6	" " Manure	612	9
Manufacturer of manure	311	1	" " Leather and Saddlery	612	15
" " Ice	399	6	" " Vacoas Bags	612	1
			" " Timber	612	87
			" " Old Metals	612	110

NUMBER OF ESTABLISHMENTS ENGAGED IN VARIOUS LOCAL INDUSTRIES@

	ISIC+			ISIC+	
Sugar Factory	207	26	Ice Factory	399	6
Aloe Fibre Factory	231	22	Vinegar Factory	209	5
Tea Factory	209	5	Perfume Producing Plant	319	6
Distillery	211	3	Gold and Silver Wares Shop	395	135
Soap Factory	319	2	Tobacco Factory	220	2
Match Factory	319	1	Sawmill & Timber Yard	250	104
Oil Producing Plant	312	1	Bakery	206	83
Salt Pan	190	7	Tannery	291	8
Lime Kiln	311	23	Furniture and Cabinet making	260	495
Bricks, Tiles & Cement Factory	331	43	Bus coach-builder's workshop	384	9
Tinsmiths' Shop	350	53	Watchmakers' workshop	394	36
Shoemakers' Workshop	241-242	222	Tailors' workshop	243	912
Garage	384	62			
Cycle Repairs Workshop	384	117			

+ISIC = International Standard Industrial Classification Group Number.

@Source of figures for smaller industries: 1955 Survey of Small Industries, Central Statistical Office.

NUMBER OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS CONSTRUCTED (1950 - 1957)

Year / District	1950	1951	1952	1	9	5	3	1	9	5	4	1	9	5	5	1	9	5	6	1	9	5	7
	Total	Total	Total	SH	BCB	Con-crete	Total	SH	BCB	Con-crete	Total	SH	BCB	Con-crete	Total	SH	BCB	Con-crete	Total	SH	BCB	Con-crete	Total
Port Louis	269	329	246	26	291	29	346	20	439	79	538	46	466	48	560	13	394	118	525	16	377	217	610
Pamplemousses	338	306	283	206	161	-	367	188	269	2	459	26	112	6	144	135	178	9	322	27	100	13	140
Riviere du Rempart	201	190	193	100	116	-	216	75	207	4	286	71	169	16	256	48	170	18	236	11	100	17	128
Flacq	189	207	355	184	179	-	363	175	294	2	471	132	196	10	338	85	234	8	327	38	210	9	257
Grand Port	117	111	146	58	127	-	185	73	236	1	310	56	188	6	250	28	99	2	129	16	58	4	78
Savanne	158	189	165	106	217	-	323	88	166	2	256	89	162	4	255	91	126	8	225	82	198	10	290
Black River	46	88	138	83	98	-	181	52	87	2	141	66	109	10	185	54	102	7	163	19	64	3	86
Plaines Wilhems	644	716	796	11	543	261	815	4	667	295	966	13	390	498	901	5	294	271	570	4	255	227	486
Moka	85	110	115	41	38	-	79	22	45	1	68	6	68	7	81	3	90	4	97	1	39	34	74
Whole Island	2,047	2,246	2,437	815	1,770	290	2,875	697	2,410	388	3,495	505	1,810	605	2,970	462	1,687	445	2,594	214	1,401	534	2,149

SH = Straw Hut. BCB = Better Class Building

Note: (i) In Plaines Wilhems and Port Louis, the number of separate lodgings constructed under the Housing Scheme has been included.

(ii) The flats constructed in Curepipe, though in two large buildings, have been counted as separate apartments.

TRADE AND COMMERCE

THE VISIBLE TRADE OF THE COLONY

The visible trade balance of the Colony depends almost entirely on the price obtained for exported sugar. In 1957 sugar exports+ formed 97.5% of the total domestic exports in value, whilst molasses, a by-product of the sugar industry, accounted for another 1.7%.

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 (1948 - 1957)

Calendar year	V A L U E of Imports	Per Capita	of Exports[x]	Per Capita	Excess in Value of exports (+) or imports (-)	Total value of trade
Prewar average 1936-38	Rs 000 32,759	Rs 80	Rs 000 39,464	Rs 95	Rs 000 + 6,705	Rs 000 72,223
1948	136,189	308	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	237,963	492	+ 34,901	441,025
1952	230,801	460	253,741	505	+ 22,940	484,542
1953	251,094	486	276,488	535	+ 25,394	527,582
1954	214,359	404	268,370	506	+ 54,011	482,729
1955	254,472	463	252,539	460	- 1,933	507,011
1956	224,150	394	299,581	527	+ 75,431	523,731
1957	263,818	449	332,798	567	+ 68,980	596,616
Period 1948-57	2,106,887		2,391,041		+ 284,154	4,497,928

[x]Includes amount allowed on sugar preference certificates and various bonuses. Includes also re-exports and sales value of bunker fuel and ships' stores.

The visible trade balance at the end of 1957 was again favourable by a wide margin. In actual value, the level of exports was the highest on record while the level of imports which had markedly come down last year rose above the 1955 level, the highest so far.

The quantum index of imports (1948 = 100) was 171 in 1957 as compared with 147 in the previous year. The price index for imports (1948 = 100) was 113 as compared with 112 in the previous year. On the other hand, exports in respect of quantum was much higher than in recent years, in respect of average price the level was maintained.

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[x]	Unit = 000 Rupees Difference (E - I) Half-yearly	As at 30th June
July 1950 - December 1950	94,633	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	185,970	+ 71,223)	+ 11,000
January 1953 - June 1953	118,721	58,498	- 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 - June 1955	126,325	52,155	- 74,170)	
July 1955 - December 1955	128,147	200,384	+ 72,237)	+ 37,257
January 1956 - June 1956	105,807	70,827	- 34,980)	
July 1956 - December 1956	118,343	228,755	+ 110,412)	+ 65,700
January 1957 - December 1957	126,488	81,776	- 44,712)	
July 1957 - December 1957	137,330	251,022	+ 113,692	

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

The visible trade for the twelve months ending 30th June 1957 shows a substantial favourable balance.

Over the ten-year period 1948-1957 the Calendar year visible trade balance has accrued favourably to the extent of Rs 284 million.

INDEXES OF PRINCIPAL DOMESTIC EXPORTS (1948 = 100)

Calendar year	SUGAR		TEA		MOLASSES
	Ton exported	Value per[+] ton F.O.B.	Ton exported	Value per ton F.O.B.	Value per ton F.O.B.
1953	125	155	565	110	124
1954	130	145	1,935	111	91
1955	123	144	3,034	114	99
1956	140	151	2,628	114	117
1957	152	151	7,597	109	135

[+] 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 last five years 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
1953	125	140	0.89	152	132	1.15
1954	128	139	0.92	144	113	1.27
1955	123	160	0.77	142	115	1.24
1956	140	147	0.95	150	112	1.34
1957	153	171	0.89	150	113	1.33

The following table shows the quantum indexes for sugar exports (98% of the total domestic exports in value) in respect of both periods: the sugar crop year and the calendar year.

Comparison between these indexes reveals that the true sequence as shown by the quantum index of the crop exports is not always reflected in the quantum index of the calendar exports. The sugar crop in any year is produced between June and December.

QUANTUM INDEX FOR EXPORTED SUGAR

(1948 = 100)

Crop Year	Tonnage exported from crop	Export quantum index for crop year	Export quantum index for calendar year.
1949	396,865	106	113
1950	434,901	116	93
1951	464,143	124	131
1952	448,873	120	122
1953	490,219	131	125
1954	476,504	128	130
1955	510,804	137	123
1956	548,496	147	140
1957	538,337	144	152

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:- Indexes are computed by Fisher's Ideal Formula, using moving crossed weights. Coverage is about 80% in the case of imports and is almost100% 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	
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	169,962,760	79.3	2,786,530	1.3	41,610,065	19.4	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	8.9	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	208,478,118	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
1956	Import Trade	160,827,844	71.7	4,844,227	2.2	58,477,411	26.1	224,149,482
	Export Trade	241,559,064	81.0	54,451,231	18.3	2,068,137	0.7	298,078,432
	Total Trade	402,386,908	77.0	59,295,458	11.4	60,545,548	11.6	522,227,914
1957	Import Trade	196,206,860	74.4	6,387,249	2.4	61,223,779	23.2	263,817,888
	Export Trade	253,587,589	76.8	44,529,995	13.5	32,173,148	9.7	330,291,732
	Total Trade	449,794,449	75.7	50,917,244	8.6	93,396,927	15.7	594,108,620

THE EXPORT TRADE

The figures of Exports in the preceding table include value of Sugar Preference Certificates which for 1957 amounted to Rs 7,106,512 but exclude value of Bunkers and Ships' stores which for 1957 amounted to Rs 1,998,434.

The total values of the Export Trade in domestic produce for 1948-1957 were:-

	Rs
1948	136,506,669
1949	160,681,871
1950	145,881,309
1951	227,833,883
1952	242,995,510
1953	264,785,990
1954	257,558,856
1955	241,587,467
1956	287,076,993
1957	315,672,216

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
1956	294,005,277
1957	322,778,728

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

	1 9 5 7	
	Value (Rs)	% of total value
Sugar	314,808,449[@]	97.53
Molasses	5,387,852	1.67
Tea	2,271,899	0.70
Ginger & Suran	133,952	0.04
Miscellaneous	176,576	0.06
TOTAL	322,778,728	100.00

[@] Includes value of Colonial Sugar Preference Certificates (Rs 7,106,512).

The destination of the main domestic exports in 1957 were, in relative quantities:

	% of total quantity			
	Sugar	Molasses	Tea	Ginger & Suran
United Kingdom	71.57	27.66	94.33	2.22
Other countries of the British Commonwealth	19.13	4.23	4.99	95.56
Foreign Countries	9.30	68.11	0.68	2.22
TOTAL	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00

Re-exports and returned goods.

The value of re-exports and returned goods during the last five years was:-

Year	Re-exports	Returned Goods
	Rs	Rs
1953	2,838,834	265,683
1954	2,482,520	69,131
1955	3,085,304	221,791
1956	3,173,665	899,490
1957	7,470,095	42,914

There were in addition sales of bunker fuel & ships' stores to the value indicated below for the years 1953 - 1957:-

Year	Value
	000 Rs
1953	2,342
1954	1,189
1955	1,167
1956	1,505
1957	1,998

THE IMPORT TRADE

The value of the Import Trade in 1957 totalled 263.8 million rupees. The Principal countries from which the 1957 imports were derived were:-

Country	Value (Rs)	Proportion to total %
United Kingdom	93,828,000	35.6
Burma	35,219,578	13.3
Union of South Africa	19,749,217	7.5
Australia	17,384,695	6.6
India	14,022,914	5.3
France	11,848,753	4.5
Iran	9,844,050	3.7
Western Germany	8,995,305	3.4
Belgium	6,665,550	2.5
United States	5,815,100	2.2
Hong-Kong	5,030,082	1.9
Federation of Malaya (including Singapore)	4,232,279	1.6
Japan	3,853,443	1.5
Holland	3,366,224	1.3
Uganda	3,235,575	1.3
Siam	2,974,112	1.1
Madagascar	2,800,461	1.1
Ethiopia	1,396,612	0.5
Sweden	1,091,299	0.4
Switzerland	919,221	0.3
Portugal	918,356	0.3
Other Sources	10,627,062	4.1
TOTAL	263,817,888	100.0

CLASSIFICATION+ OF 1957 IMPORTS IN VALUE

	Value (Rs 000)	Proportion to total %
Section 0 Food	73,689	27.9
" 1 Beverages and Tobacco	5,718	2.2
" 2 Crude Materials, Inedible except Fuels	6,133	2.3
" 3 Mineral Fuels, Lubricants & related materials	14,940	5.7
" 4 Animal & Vegetable Oils & Fats	10,999	3.8
" 5 Chemicals	30,671	10.7
" 6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by materials	64,198	22.4
" 7 Machinery & Transport Equipment	38,857	13.6
" 8 Miscellaneous Manufactured Articles	18,132	6.3
" 9 Miscellaneous Transactions & Commodities (not elsewhere specified)	481	0.1
TOTAL	263,818	100.0

QUANTUM & PRICE INDEXES OF IMPORTS BY SECTION+

(1952 = 100)

Section	1955		1956		1957	
	Price	Quantum	Price	Quantum	Price	Quantum
0	83	138	77	115	77	139
1	96	134	98	119	101	121
2	78	250	89	262	84	216
3	82	83	76	123	80	124
4	74	132	85	178	91	202
5	93	141	94	136	97	130
6	81	117	79	112	77	131
7	102	111	106	79	107	109
8	90	164	92	147	96	171
Overall Index	86	126	84	116	85	135

+According to the Standard International Trade Classification.

F O O D

CEREALS AND PULSES

The percentage value of cereals and pulses in the total food purchases was 62%. Rice constituted 79% and wheat flour 11% of the total value of cereals and pulses.

In respect of quantity, the importation in the last three years of cereals and pulses and certain other main food commodities was:

++ S.I.T.C.	Commodity	Unit	QUANTITY IMPORTED					
			1955	Ks per capita	1956	Ks per capita	1957	Ks per capita
042 - 02	Rice	M/ Tons	58171	151.9	45101	79.3	62080	105.8
046 - 01	Wheat flour	"	23089	42.0	17012	29.9	19269	32.8
054 - 02	Pulses	"	5829	10.6	5239	9.2	5866	10.0
054 - 01	Potatoes	"	3095	5.6	3741	6.6	4029	6.9
031 - 02	Fish salted or pickled	"	801	1.5	694	1.2	1166	2.0
051 - 01 to 06	Fresh Fruits	"	720	1.3	813	1.4	788	1.3
001 - 01	Live cattle for food*	Heads	5588	...	6183	...	5825	...

* Beef supply.

EDIBLE OILS AND FATS

The relative quantities of edible oils and fats imported in 1957 are shown in the following table as a ratio to total quantity imported:-

++ S.I.T.C.	Commodity	Quantity imported	% of total Quantity imported
412 - 03	Cotton seed oil	3,141 M/Tons	49.3
412 - 04	Groundnut oil	1,070 "	16.8
412 - 19	Sunflower seed oil	841 "	13.2
412 - 07	Coconut oil	349 "	5.5
412 - 02	Soya Bean oil	166 "	2.6
091 - 01	Margarine	710 "	11.1
091 - 02	Shortenings, lard, etc..	99 "	1.5
	TOTAL	6,376	100.0

++ Standard International Trade Classification.

CRUDE MATERIALS AND MINERAL FUELS

The quantities of these materials imported in the last three years are given in the following table:-

S.I.T.C.+	Material	Unit	QUANTITY IMPORTED		
			1955	1956	1957
311 - 01	Coal	M/Tons	9,181	19,376	17,255
243 - 03	Timber	Cu.feet	22,654	16,139	16,794
313 - 02	Kerosene	Hectol	38,153	56,579	44,358
313 - 01.2	Motor Spirit (petrol)	"	231,307	357,789	336,575
313 - 04	Lubricating oils	"	14,811	16,282	16,628
512 - 05	Turpentine	"	165	168	354
412 - 11	Castor oil	M/Tons	67	72	93
412 - 01	Linseed oil	"	150	121	128

The relative quantities of motor spirit (including aviation gasoline) imported during the last three years from the principal sources are given herebelow:-

Country	Quantity imported (Hectolitres)		
	1955	1956	1957
Iran	85,283	211,006	336,575
Bahrein	-	72,425	-
Aden	145,830	49,375	-
Scandinavia	176	24,966	-
Other sources	18	17	-
TOTAL	231,307	357,789	336,575

MANUFACTURED GOODS

ROAD VEHICLES

The number of road vehicles imported in the last three years was:-

S.I.T.C.+	Type	NUMBER IMPORTED		
		1955	1956	1957
732 - 01	Motor cars	959	471	728
732 - 05) 732 - 03)	Motor chassis and lorries	283	133	214
732 - 02	Motor cycles	57	82	90
733 - 01	Bicycles	4,658	3,850	1,467

661 - 02+ Cement

The importation of cement in 1955, 1956 and 1957 amounted to 46,376, 38,135 and 42,987 Metric Tons respectively.

+ Standard International Trade Classification.

MANUFACTURED GOODS (continued)

TEXTILES

The value of 1957 imports in textiles was made up in relative proportions as follows:-

	MANUFACTURES			
	Cotton	Woollen	Synthetic Fibres	Total
	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs
Total value of imports	12,498,036	1,647,985	3,629,025	17,775,044
% of the total value of textile imports	70.3	9.3	20.4	100.0

The comparative quantities of textiles imported in the last three years were:

S.I.T.C.++	Material	Quantity imported (Sq. metres)		
		1955	1956	1957
652 - 01 & 2	Cotton fabrics	8,194,399	6,545,202	10,553,505
653 - 02	Woollen fabrics	215,256	160,008	156,053
653 - 05	Fabrics of Synthetic fibres	2,287,746	2,212,687	2,279,430

552 - 02++ Soap

The relative quantities of soap imported during the last three years were:-

	Quantity (Metric Tons)		
	1955	1956	1957
Common Soap	2,928	2,916	2,904
All other soaps	215	253	275

++ Standard International Trade Classification.

IMPORTS OF FERTILIZERS+
(1955 - 1957)

Kind of Fertilizer	1955 Quantity M/Tons	1955 Value Rs	1956 Quantity M/Tons	1956 Value Rs	1957 Quantity M/Tons	1957 Value Rs
NITROGEN FERTILIZERS:						
Ammonium Sulphate	26,067	8,394,035	30,551	10,225,386	26,888	8,884,163
Ammonium Phosphate	...	229	3	2,006	708	451,143
Ammonium Nitrate	407	275,868	379	121,825	823	269,603
Sodium Nitrate	203	67,716	5,058	1,590,193	-	-
Urea (including Uranitre)	2,112	1,432,966	1,919	1,349,957	2,837	1,947,352
Nitramoncal	173	54,171	361	118,786	115	38,970
PHOSPHATE FERTILIZERS						
Superphosphate	169	40,878	732	167,897	1,267	311,304
Guano	5,171	517,855	9,231	870,855	10,924	927,239
Bone phosphate	-	-	26	10,015	30	14,789
POTASH FERTILIZERS						
Muriate of Potash	5,171	1,669,716	4,779	1,423,639	7,286	2,232,438
Nitrate of Potash	-	-	2,744	987,087	-	-
Sulphate of Potash	25	9,114	51	18,528	31	11,220
MIXED AND COMPOUND FERTILIZERS	141	67,387	182	85,352	674	336,369
TOTAL	39,639	12,529,935	56,016	16,971,526	51,583	15,424,590

+Item number 271 - 01 and 561 - 01 to 03 & 09, according to 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 1,000
SECTION 0 FOOD						73,689
Live Animals						
00	001	001 - 01	Bovine Cattle	Head	5,823	2,051
"	001	001 - 02	Sheep and Lambs	"	1,180	94
"	001	001 - 04	Poultry	Number	9,800	10
Meat and Meat Preparations						
01	011	011 - 01 to 09	Frozen Meat	M/Ton	361	773
"	012	012 - 01	Bacon and Ham	"	30	205
"	012	012 - 01 to 03	Smoked, dried or salted meats	"	68	182
"	013	013 - 02 & 09	Canned Meat not in airtight containers	"	132	557
"	013	013 - 01	Sausages of all kinds	"	23	125
Dairy Products, Eggs and Honey						
02	022	022 - 01 & 02	Milk dry, condensed & evaporated	"	1,855	3,489
"	023	023 - 01	Butter	"	253	1,349
"	023	023 - 01	Ghee (animal)	"	18	89
"	024	024 - 01	Cheese	"	95	430
"	025	025 - 01	Eggs in the shell	000	1,195	192
"	025	025 - 02	Eggs not in the shell, liquid, frozen or dried	M/Ton	4	7
"	026	026 - 01	Natural Honey	"	4	13
"	029	029 - 09	Milk Foods	"	83	447
"	029	029 - 09	Dairy Products N.E.S.@	"	31	164

+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 1,000
SECTION 0 FOOD (continued)						
Fish and fish preparations						
03	031	031 - 01	Fish frozen	M/Ton	112	145
"	031	031 - 02	Fish salted, dried or smoked	"	1,166	1,885
"	031	031 - 03	Crustacea and Molluscs salted or dried	"	18	75
"	032	032 - 01	Canned fish	"	683	1,803
"	032	032 - 02	Fish & fish products not in airtight containers	"	19	25
Cereal and Cereal preparations						
04	041	041 - 01	Wheat and spelt unmilled	"	23	9
"	042	042 - 02	Rice	"	62,080	36,099
"	043	043 - 01	Barley, unmilled	"	17	11
"	044	044 - 01	Maize (corn) unmilled	"	2,771	965
"	045	045 - 02	Oats, unmilled	"	244	91
"	045	045 - 09	Cereals, unmilled N.E.S.@	"	46	31
"	046	046 - 01	Wheat flour	"	19,269	7,927
"	047	047 - 02	Meal and flour of maize (corn)	"	146	58
"	047	047 - 09	Meal and flour of cereals N.E.S.@	"	356	242
"	048	048 - 01	Groats and cereals: flaked, pearled or prepared in a manner not elsewhere specified ("prepared breakfast foods")	"	93	195
"	048	048 - 03	Macaroni, spaghetti, noodles, vermicelli & other similar preparations	"	42	82
"	048	048 - 04	Bakery products (bread, biscuits, cakes, etc.)	"	106	469
"	048	048 - 09	Preparation of cereals, flour and fecula for food (N.E.S.)@ (including malt flour)	"	35	100

@ 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 1,000
SECTION 0 FOOD (continued)						
Fruits and Vegetables						
05	051	051 - 01 to 07	Fruits & nuts fresh (not including oil nuts)	M/Ton	830	706
"	051	051 - 07	Fresh coconuts	000	13	3
"	052	052 - 01	Dried fruits including artificially dehydrated fruits.	M/Ton	108	125
"	053	053 - 01 to 03	Fruit preserved and fruit preparations	"	80	195
"	053	053 - 04	Fruit juices	Hectolitre	769	122
"	054	054 - 01	Potatoes not including sweet potatoes	M/Ton	4,029	1,685
"	054	054 - 02	Beans, peas, lentils & other legumes (pulses) dry including split	"	5,866	4,304
"	054	054 - 09	Fresh vegetables	"	583	389
"	055	055 - 01 to 04	Other fresh and dried vegetables	"	332	414
Sugar and Sugar Preparations						
06	061 062		Sugar and Sugar preparations	"	165	460
Coffee, Tea, Cocoa, Spices and Manufactures thereof						
07	071	071 - 01	Coffee not roasted	"	27	74
"	071	071 - 02	Coffee roasted including ground	"	1	10
"	071	071 - 03	Coffee extracts, coffee essences and similar preparations containing coffee	"	4	114
"	072	072 - 02	Cocoa powder	"	17	74
"	073	073 - 01	Chocolate and chocolate preparations	"	56	319
"	074	074 - 01	Tea	"	9	67
"	075	075 - 01 - 02	Spices	"	610	865

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Division No.	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional Title Description	Unit	Quantity	Value C.I.F. Unit = Rs 1,000
SECTION 0 FOOD (continued)						
Feeding stuff for animals (not including unmilled cereals)						
08	081	081 - 01 - 04 & 09	Feeding stuffs for animals	M/Ton	2,150	856
Miscellaneous Food preparations						
09	091	091 - 01	Margarine	"	710	1,559
"	091	091 - 02	Shortenings, lard or lard substitutes, and similar edible fats	"	99	211
"	099	099 - 09	Vinegar	Hectolitre	44	13
"	099	099 - 09	Food preparations N.E.S.@	M/Ton	151	603
SECTION 1 BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO						5,718
Non alcoholic beverages						
11	111	111 - 01	Non alcoholic beverages (including water but not including fruit or vegetable juices)			96
"	112	112 - 01	Wine ordinary	Hectolitre	2,965	706
"	112	112 - 01	Wine sparkling	"	200	173
"	112	112 - 02	Cider and fermented fruit juices N.E.S.@	"	392	17
"	112	112 - 03	Beer (including ale, stout, porter) & other fermented cereal beverages	"	15,480	1,459
"	112	112 - 04	Distilled alcoholic beverages	"	1,066	996

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Division No.	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional Title Description	Unit	Quantity	Value C.I.F. Unit = Rs 1,000
SECTION 1 BEVERAGES & TOBACCO (continued)						
Tobacco and Tobacco Manufactures						
12	121	121 - 01	Tobacco unmanufactured	M/Ton	69	678
"	122	122 - 01 & 02	Cigars, cheeroots and cigarettes	"	86	1,558
"	122	122 - 03	Tobacco manufactured	"	1	16
SECTION 2 CRUDE MATERIALS, INEDIBLE, EXCEPT FUELS						6,133
Oil seeds, oil nuts and oil kernels						
22	221	221 - 01	Groundnuts	M/Ton	17	20
"	221	221 - 04	Soyabeans	"	5	4
"	221	221 - 05	Linseed	"	1	1
"	221	221 - 09	Oil seeds and nuts N.E.S.[@]	"	50	50
Crude Rubber including Synthetic & reclaimed						
23	231	231 - 01	Natural rubber, similar natural gums	"	1	7
"	231	231 - 02	Synthetic rubber	"	1	1
Wood, Lumber and Cork						
24	243	243 - 01	Railway sleepers	000	13	473
"	243	243 - 02 & 03	Lumber sawn, planed or dressed	Cu. metre	16,794	3,468
Pulp and Waste Paper						
25	251	251 - 01	Old newspapers	M/Ton	754	294

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Division No.	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional Title Description	Unit	Quantity	Value C.I.F. Unit = Rs 1,000
SECTION 2 CRUDE MATERIALS, INEDIBLE, EXCEPT FUELS (continued)						
Textile Fibres (not manufactured into yarn, thread or fabrics) & waste						
26	263	263 - 02	Cotton linters	M/Ton	12	115
"	263	263 - 03	Cotton waste	"	43	66
"	265	265 - 09	Vegetable textile fibres N.E.S.@	"	175	103
Crude Fertilizers and Crude Minerals, excluding Coal, Petroleum & Precious Stones						
27	271	271 - 01	Natural fertilizers of animal or vegetable origin, not chemically treated	"	7,290	582
"	272	272 - 01	Natural asphalt	"	970	322
"	272	272 - 02	Sand (including ground quartz)	"	189	29
"	272	272 - 04	Clay	"	127	24
"	272	272 - 05	Salt (including salt put up for retail sale)	"	8	6
"	272	272 - 08	Building & monumental (dimension) stone	"		12
"	272	272 - 12 & 19	Minerals, crude, including ice, N.E.S.@	"	99	49
Animal and Vegetable crude materials, inedible, N.E.S.@						
29	292	292 - 02	Natural gums, resins, balsam & lacs	"	33	79
"	292	292 - 03	Rattan	"	57	130
"	292	292 - 04	Plant seeds & flowers for use in medicine and perfumery	"	11	23
"	292	292 - 05	Seeds for planting	"	2	43
"	292	292 - 09	Kapok	"	7	15
"	292	292 - 09	Vegetable materials N.E.S.@	"		10

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Division No.	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional Title Description	Unit	Quantity	Value C.I.F. Unit = Rs 1,000
SECTION 3 MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS & RELATED MATERIALS						14,940
Mineral Fuels, Lubricants and related Materials						
31	311	311 - 01	Coal	M/Ton	17,255	1,715
"	311	311 - 02	Coke	"	387	126
"	313	313 - 01.1	Aviation Gasoline	Hectolitre	19,897	496
"	313	313 - 01.2	Other Motor Spirits	"	336,575	4,767
"	313	313 - 02	Lamp Oil	"	44,358	927
"	313	313 - 03	Gas oil, diesel oil & other fuel oils	"	314,865	4,145
"	313	313 - 04.1	Lubricating oils, including mixtures with animal and vegetable lubricants	"	16,628	1,500
"	313	313 - 04.2	Lubricating greases	M/Ton	111	140
"	313	313 - 05	Mineral jelly & waxes	"	33	32
"	313	313 - 09.1	Pitch	"	3,872	1,072
"	313	313 - 09	Petroleum Products N.E.S.@	"	2	10
"	313	313 - 09	Turpentine Substitutes	"	12	10
SECTION 4 ANIMAL AND VEGETABLE OILS AND FATS						10,999
Animal and Vegetable Oils, Fats, Greases and Derivatives						
41	411	411 - 01	Oils from fish & other marine animals	M/Ton	0.6	1
"	411	411 - 02	Tallow & Cart grease	"	5	7
"	412	412 - 01	Linseed oil	"	128	225
"	412	412 - 02	Soya Bean oil	"	166	283
"	412	412 - 03	Cotton Seed oil	"	3,141	5,961
"	412	412 - 04	Groundnut oil	"	1,070	1,904
"	412	412 - 05	Olive oil	"	25	118
"	412	412 - 07	Coconut oil	"	349	512
"	412	412 - 11	Castor oil	"	93	213
"	412	412 - 19.1	Gingely & mustard oils	"	50	115
"	412	412 - 19.2	Other vegetable oils	"	814	1,481

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Division No.	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional Title Description	Unit	Quantity	Value C.I.F. Unit = Rs 1,000
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/Ton	51	100
"	413	413 - 02	Hydrogenated oils and fats	"	8	23
"	413	413 - 03	Acid oils	"	20	39
"	413	413 - 04	Beeswax & other waxes	"	4	16
SECTION 5 CHEMICALS						30,671
Chemical Elements and Compounds						
51	511	511 - 01	Inorganic Acid	M/Ton	62	98
"	511	511 - 03	Sodium Hydroxide	"	12	9
"	511	511 - 04	Sodium Carbonate	"	52	19
"	511	511 - 09	Inorganic Compounds N.E.S.@	"	411	438
"	512	512 - 01	Aliphatic & other organic acids	"	54	18
"	512	512 - 03	Glycerine	"	1	6
"	512	512 - 05	Spirits of Turpentine	"	35	39
"	512	512 - 09	Organic Compounds N.E.S.@	"	23	118
Mineral Tar and Crude Chemicals from Coal, Petroleum and Mineral Gas						
52	521	521 - 01	Mineral Tar	"	15	8
Dyeing, Tanning and Colouring Materials						
53	531	531 - 01.1	Coaltar Dyestuffs	"	23	12
"	531	531 - 01.2	Natural indigo	"	53	132

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Division No.	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional Title Description	Unit	Quantity	Value C.I.F. Unit = Rs 1,000
SECTION 5 CHEMICALS (continued)						
Dyeing, Tanning and Colouring Materials (continued)						
53	532	532 - 01	Dyeing extracts	M/Ton	3	23
"	532	532 - 02 & 03	Tanning extracts	"	65	60
"	533	533 - 01 to 03	Pigments, Paints, Varnishes and related materials	"	1,012	2,430
Medicinal and Pharmaceutical Products						
54	541	541 - 01 to 04	Medicinal alkaloids & derivatives	"	31	907
"	541	541 - 09	Other medicinal products N.E.S.@	"	405	3,572
Essential Oils, Perfume materials, Toilet, Polishing & Cleansing preparations						
55	551	551 - 01 & 02	Essential oils, perfumes & flavour materials	"		458
"	552	552 - 01	Dentifrices	"	36	361
"	552	552 - 01	Perfumery, cosmetic & other toilet preparations	"	113	814
"	552	552 - 02	Soap, common	"	2,904	3,035
"	552	552 - 02	Toilet soap	"	275	697
"	552	552 - 03	Waxes, polishes, pastes, etc.	"	111	362
Fertilizers manufactured						
56	561	561 - 01 to 03 & 09	Fertilizers manufactured	"	40,658	14,505

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Division No.	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional Title Description	Unit	Quantity	Value C.I.F. Unit = Rs 1,000
SECTION 5 CHEMICALS (continued)						
Explosives and Miscellaneous Chemical Materials and Products						
59	591	591 - 01	Cartridges	000 rounds	218	33
"	591	591 - 01 - 03	Explosives			190
"	599	599 - 01	Synthetic plastic materials			49
"	599	599 - 02	Disinfectants & Insecticides	M/Ton	685	1,781
"	599	599 - 03 - 04 & 09	Other chemical materials and products	"	250	495
SECTION 6 MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL						64,198
Leather, Leather manufactures N.E.S.@ and Dressed furs						
61	611	611 - 01	Leather	M/ton	20	143
"	611	611 - 02	Artificial leather	"	8	64
"	612	612 - 01 to 03	Machine leather, belting, saddlery, uppers, etc.	"	2	22
"	612	612 - 09	Manufactures of leather N.E.S.@	"	9	90
Rubber Manufactures N.E.S.@						
62	621	621 - 01	Rubber fabricated materials	"	80	309
"	629	629 - 01	Rubber tyres and tubes		-	3,237
"	629	629 - 02	Hygienic & medical articles of rubber			16
"	629	629 - 09	Rubber manufactured articles N.E.S.@	"	90	487
Wood and Cork manufactures (excluding furniture)						
63	631	631 - 02	Plywood	000 Sq. Metres	55	184
"	631	631 - 03	Fibreboards	"	327	334
"	631	631 - 09	Artificial or reconstituted wood	M/Ton	14	127
"	632	632 - 01	Boxes, cases, crates & Parts			113
"	632	632 - 03	Shingles	000	280	118
"	632	632 - 03	Builders' woodwork	M/Ton	45	109
"	632	632 - 09	Manufactures of wood, N.E.S.@			84
"	633	633 - 01	Agglomerated cork materials	M/Ton	3	14
"	633	633 - 09	Corks & bungs	000	11,425	91
"	633	633 - 09	Articles of cork, N.E.S.@	M/Ton	10	22

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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 MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL (continued)						
Paper, paperboard and Manufactures thereof						
64	641	641 - 01	Newsprint	M/Ton	295	303
"	641	641 - 02	Printing & writing paper	"	187	404
"	641	641 - 03	Packing & wrapping paper	"	27	61
"	641	641 - 04	Paperboard	"	27	39
"	641	641 - 05	Building paperboard	"	71	50
"	641	641 - 06 & 07	Other paperboards	"	65	180
"	641	641 - 08	Wallpaper	"	9	21
"	641	641 - 11	Cigarette paper	"	24	114
"	641	641 - 12	Blotting paper	"	13	35
"	641	641 - 09	Muslin paper	"	26	81
"	641	641 - 19	Paper & Paperboard N.E.S.@	"	83	305
"	642	642 - 01 to 03 & 09	Articles made of paper, pulp, etc...	"	486	1,285
Textile Yarn, Fabrics, Made-up Articles and related products						
65	651	651 - 01	Silk yarn & thread	"	0.1	2
"	651	651 - 02	Yarn of wool & hair	"	5	106
"	651	651 - 03 & 04	Cotton yarn & thread	"	30	876
"	651	651 - 05 to 09	Yarn of textile fibres N.E.S.@	"	1	14
"	652	652 - 01	Cotton fabrics (grey)	000 Sq. Ms.	1,508	1,161
"	652	652 - 02	Cotton fabrics (other than grey)	"	9,045	11,337
"	653	653 - 01	Silk fabrics	"	0.5	6
"	653	653 - 02	Woollen & worsted fabrics	"	156	1,648
"	653	653 - 03	Linen, hemp fabrics	"	9	39
"	653	653 - 04	Fabrics of jute	"	61	98
"	653	653 - 05 to 07 & 09	Other fabrics	"	2,280	3,631

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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)						
Textile Yarn, Fabrics, Made-up articles and related products (continued)						
65	654	654 - 01 to 04	Tulle, lace, etc.			651
"	655	655 - 01 to 04, 06 & 09	Special textile fabrics & related products			628
"	656	656 - 01	Jute bags	000	2,437	2,837
"	656	656 - 02	Tarpaulin, tents & canvas goods	M/Ton	17	124
"	656	656 - 03	Blankets & rugs	000	46	278
"	656	656 - 04 - 05 & 09	Made-up household articles of textile materials			487
"	657	657 - 01 to 03	Carpets, floor rugs, mats, matting, etc.			124
"	657	657 - 04	Linoleum	000 Sq. Ms.	16	46
Non-Metallic Mineral Manufactures N.E.S.@						
66	661	661 - 01	Lime	M/Ton	217	42
"	661	661 - 02	Cement	"	42,987	6,307
"	661	661 - 03	Building stone (worked)			32
"	661	661 - 09	Building materials of asbestos	"	331	163
"	661	661 - 09	Building materials N.E.S.@	"	91	15
"	662	662 - 01 to 03	Clay construction materials	"	1,761	1,114
"	663	663 - 01 - 07 & 09	Mineral manufactures N.E.S.@ not including clay & glass			580
"	664	664 - 03	Glass sheets	000 Sq. Ms.	144	427
"	664	664 - 04 to 08	Plate glass, etc.			225
"	664	664 - 09	Glass N.E.S.@			41
"	665	665 - 01 - 02 & 09	Glassware			899
"	666	666 - 01	Table articles (earthenware)			16
"	666	666 - 02	Table articles (faience or fine earthenware)			140
"	666	666 - 03	Table articles (chinaware or porcelain)			161

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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)						
Silver, Platinum, Gems and Jewellery						
67	671	671 - 01 & 02	Silver & platinum group metals			6
"	672	672 - 01 & 02	Precious & semi-precious stones	No.	215	74
"	673	673 - 01 & 02	Jewellery, goldsmiths' & silversmiths' wares			405
Base Metals						
68	681	681 - 01	Pig iron	M/Ton	26	11
"	681	681 - 03	Ingots, blooms, slabs, etc.	"	3	3
"	681	681 - 04	Joists, girders, etc.	"	5,172	3,742
"	681	681 - 05	Universal plates & sheets uncoated	"	671	649
"	681	681 - 06	Hoops & strips	"	5	7
"	681	681 - 07	Plates & Sheets coated	"	4,341	4,290
"	681	681 - 08 & 11	Tramway rails & tramway track construction accessories	"	493	347
"	681	681 - 12	Wire rods & wire	"	135	160
"	681	681 - 13	Steel tubes and fittings	"	1,163	1,383
"	681	681 - 14	Pipes & fittings	"	678	753
"	682	682 - 01	Copper & copper alloys unwrought	"	7	36
"	682	682 - 02	Copper & copper alloys wrought	"	183	936
"	684	684 - 02	Aluminium & aluminium alloys wrought	"	181	755
"	685	685 - 02	Lead & lead alloys worked	"	67	81
"	686	686 - 02	Zinc & zinc alloys worked	"	1	5
"	687	687 - 01	Solder	"	6	27
"	687	687 - 02	Tin & tin alloys worked	"	19	70
"	689	689 - 01 & 02	Miscellaneous non ferrous base metals	"	16	10
Ordnance						
69	691	691 - 02	Firearms, including revolvers			47

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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	699	699 - 01 & 02	Finished structural parts of metals	M/Ton	917	2,333
"	699	699 - 03	Wire cables and ropes of iron and steel	"	65	116
"	699	699 - 05 & 06	Wire netting, wire fencing, wire grills, wire mesh and barbed wire	"	145	230
"	699	699 - 07	Nails, bolts, washers, etc.	"	575	817
"	699	699 - 08	Needles & pins	"	4	49
"	699	699 - 11	Safes	"	16	46
"	699	699 - 12	Hand tools	"	83	580
"	699	699 - 13 to 15	Household utensils of all base metals	"	210	640
"	699	699 - 16	Table and kitchen knives			147
"	699	699 - 17	Cutlery			242
"	699	699 - 18	Hardware of metals	"	96	408
"	699	699 - 21	Metal containers	"	246	174
"	699	699 - 22	Stoves, furnaces, grates, etc.	"	14	101
"	699	699 - 29	Capsules for bottles & crown corks	000	30,652	303
"	699	699 - 29	Manufactures of metals N.E.S.@	M/Ton	442	1,413
SECTION 7 MACHINERY AND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT						38,857
Machinery, other than electric						
71	711	711 - 01	Steam generating boilers	M/Ton	71	161
"	711	711 - 02	Boiler house plant & parts	"	94	348
"	711	711 - 03	Steam engines & parts	"	31	502
"	711	711 - 05	Diesel engines & parts	"	37	577
"	711	711 - 09	Engines N.E.S.@ & parts thereof	"	3	29
"	712	712 - 01	Ploughs & parts thereof			283
"	712	712 - 01	Irrigation systems & parts thereof	M/Ton	25	202
"	712	712 - 01	Agricultural machinery & appliances for cultivation	"	14	83
"	712	712 - 02	Agricultural Machinery & appliances for harvesting	No.	14	43

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Division No.	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional Title Description	Unit	Quantity	Value C.I.F. Unit = Rs 1,000
SECTION 7 MACHINERY AND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT (continued)						
Machinery other than electric (continued)						
71	712	712 - 09	Agricultural Machinery N.E.S.@	M/Ton	17	105
"	713	713 - 01	Tractors for agricultural purposes (and parts)	Number	28	2,858
"	713	713 - 01	Tractors N.E.S.@	"	3	86
"	714	714 - 01	Typewriters	"	227	87
"	714	714 - 02	Accounting, bookkeeping & calculating machines	M/Ton	4	226
"	715	715 - 01	Machine tools for working metals	"	11	97
"	715	715 - 02	Other metal working machinery	"	4	24
"	716	716 - 01	Pumps for liquids	"	30	260
"	716	716 - 02	Industrial trucks	Number	2	93
"	716	716 - 03	Bulldozers	"	11	437
"	716	716 - 03	Mobile cranes, parts & accessories	M/Ton	31	82
"	716	716 - 03	Hoisting machinery & parts	"	69	361
"	716	716 - 04	Wood working machinery	"	4	38
"	716	716 - 05	Pneumatic tools	"	2	30
"	716	716 - 07	Printing type & plates	"	10	98
"	716	716 - 07	Printing & bookbinding machinery & parts	"	10	88
"	716	716 - 08	Textile machinery & accessories	"	6	61
"	716	716 - 11	Sewing machines	Number	1,124	237
"	716	716 - 12	Air-conditioning & refrigerating equipment	M/Ton	5	81
"	716	716 - 13	Machinery & appliances N.E.S.@	"	312	1,765
"	716	716 - 14	Ball, needle and roller bearings	"	12	157
"	716	716 - 15	Machine parts & accessories N.E.S.@	"	1,720	6,069

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Division No.	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional Title Description	Unit	Quantity	Value C.I.F. Unit = Rs 1,000
SECTION 7 MACHINERY AND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT (continued)						
Electrical Machinery, Apparatus and Appliances						
72	721	721 - 01	Electric generators, alternators, etc.	M/Ton	187	1,402
"	721	721 - 02	Electric batteries for motor vehicles	000	4	297
"	721	721 - 02	Electric batteries for torches	"	397	77
"	721	721 - 02	Electric batteries N.E.S.@	"	2	50
"	721	721 - 03	Bulbs for electric lighting	"	359	187
"	721	721 - 03	Bulbs for motor vehicles	"	56	23
"	721	721 - 03	Bulbs for torches and hand lamps	"	99	4
"	721	721 - 03	Bulbs, arc lamps & tubes for electric lighting N.E.S.@		20	28
"	721	721 - 04	Radio apparatus	Number	2,789	1,027
"	721	721 - 05	Apparatus for telephony & telegraphy	M/Ton	9	163
"	721	721 - 06	Electric domestic appliances	"	42	302
"	721	721 - 07	Electric appliances for vehicles	"	21	397
"	721	721 - 08	Apparatus for measuring & controlling energy	"	20	355
"	721	721 - 11	Electric apparatus for medical purposes	"	56	180
"	721	721 - 12	Portable electric domestic appliances	"	14	166
"	721	721 - 12	Portable electric tools	"	6	66
"	721	721 - 13	Insulated cable & wire for electricity	"	473	1,540
"	721	721 - 19	Electrical machinery, apparatus & appliances N.E.S.@	"	614	5,290
Transport equipment						
73	731	731 - 01	Tramway locomotives, steam (parts)			9
"	731	731 - 03	Tramway locomotives, except steam and electric	Number	3	250

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SECTION 7 MACHINERY AND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT (continued)						
Transport Equipment (continued)						
73	731	731 - 06	Tramway cars	Number	30	75
"	731	731 - 07	Parts of railway rolling stock	M/Ton	43	47
"	731	731 - 07	Parts of tramway rolling stock	"	71	243
"	732	732 - 01	Motor cars	Number	728	5,239
"	732	732 - 02	Motor cycles	"	90	108
"	732	732 - 03	Buses, trucks, lorries	"	86	1,059
"	732	732 - 05	Motor chassis	"	128	1,674
"	732	732 - 06	Bodies, chassis, frames & other parts for motor vehicles	M/Ton	238	2,176
"	732	732 - 07	Parts of motor cycles	"	1	25
"	733	733 - 01	Bicycles	Number	1,467	188
"	733	733 - 02	Parts of bicycles	M/Ton	27	140
"	733	733 - 09	Road vehicles including trailers N.E.S.@	Number	38	316
"	734	734 - 03	Parts of aircraft	M/Ton	0.2	41
"	735	735 - 09	Ships & boats N.E.S.@	Number	11	33
SECTION 8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES						18,132
81	811	811 - 01	Prefabricated buildings and parts.	M/Ton	439	545
"	812	812 - 02 & 03	Sinks, washbasins, bidets, etc.	"	215	616
"	812	812 - 04	Lighting fixtures of all materials	"	46	299
Furniture and Fixtures						
82	821	821 - 01	Wood furniture & fixtures	"	58	307
"	821	821 - 02	Metal furniture & fixtures	"	396	1,194
"	821	821 - 09	Furniture & fixtures of rattan	"	21	23
"	821	821 - 09	Furniture & fixtures N.E.S.@	"	92	228

@ 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 1,000
SECTION 8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES (continued)						
Travel Goods, Hand Bags and similar articles						
83	831	831 - 01	Travel goods of all materials			104
"	831	831 - 02	Handbags, wallets, purses, etc.			220
Clothing						
84	841	841 - 01	Stockings & hose	000 Pairs	440	536
"	841	841 - 02 & 04	Pyjamas	"	15	105
"	841	841 - 02 & 04	Underwear			563
"	841	841 - 03 & 05	Outwear			625
"	841	841 - 05	Shirts	000	368	912
"	841	841 - 06	Leather coats & other leather clothing			3
"	841	841 - 07	Clothing of impermeable materials			107
"	841	841 - 08 & 11	Hats	000	78	283
"	841	841 - 11	Caps	"	29	87
"	841	841 - 12	Gloves & mittens	000 Pairs	6	22
"	841	841 - 19	Handkerchiefs	000	450	195
"	841	841 - 19	Clothing N.E.S.@			532
Footwear						
85	851	851 - 01	Slippers & house footwear of all materials except rubber	000 Pairs	27	96
"	851	851 - 02	Footwear wholly or mainly of leather	"	180	1,710
"	851	851 - 03	Footwear wholly or mainly of textile materials (excluding canvas shoes)	"	6	18

@ 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 1,000
SECTION 8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES (continued)						
Footwear (continued)						
85	851	851 - 04	Rubber footwear (including canvas shoes)	000 pairs	174	743
"	851	851 - 09	Footwear N.E.S.@	"	3	5
Professional, Scientific & Controlling Instruments, Photographic & Optical Goods, Watches and Clocks						
86	861	861 - 01	Optical instruments and appliances			134
"	861	861 - 02	Cinematograph projectors			100
"	861	861 - 02	Photographic & Cinematographic apparatus N.E.S.@			170
"	861	861 - 03	Surgical, medical & dental instruments & appliances N.E.S.@			133
"	861	861 - 09	Measuring, controlling and scientific instruments N.E.S.@			297
"	862	862 - 01	Films, plates & paper for photography			192
"	862	862 - 02	Cinematographic films not exposed	000 Metres	11	41
"	862	862 - 03	Chemical products for use in photography	M/Ton	4	10
"	863	863 - 01	Cinematographic films exposed	000 Metres	1,247	888
"	864	864 - 01	Watches	000	14	345
"	864	864 - 02	Clocks	"	13	131
Miscellaneous Manufactured Articles N.E.S.@						
89	891	891 - 01	Phonographs	Number	719	129
"	891	891 - 02	Phonograph records	000	68	215
"	891	891 - 03 & 09	Musical Instruments N.E.S.@			99
"	892	892 - 09	Commercial publicity material			70
"	892	892 - 09	Books, publications and documents			94
"	892	892 - 09	Printed matter on paper or cardboard N.E.S.@			807
"	899	899 - 01	Candles	M/Ton	106	167
"	899	899 - 01	Tapers	"	20	69
"	899	899 - 02	Matches	000 gross boxes	140	376
"	899	899 - 03	Umbrellas & parasols	000	13	53

@ 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 1,000
SECTION 8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES (continued)						
Miscellaneous Manufactured Articles N.E.S.@ (continued)						
89	899	899 - 04	Artificial flowers & prepared ornaments			44
"	899	899 - 05	Buttons & studs			105
"	899	899 - 06	Fancy carved articles			8
"	899	899 - 07	Table & other household articles made of plastic			14
"	899	899 - 08	Refrigerators	Number	274	344
"	899	899 - 11	Articles made of plastic N.E.S.@			455
"	899	899 - 12	Articles of basketwork or of wickerwork N.E.S.@			21
"	899	899 - 13	Brooms & brushes			190
"	899	899 - 14	Sports goods (excluding arms & ammunition)			181
"	899	899 - 15	Playing cards	000 Packs	41	35
"	899	899 - 15	Baby carriages	Number	216	14
"	899	899 - 15	Toys & games N.E.S.@			747
"	899	899 - 16	Fountain pens & pencil holders			221
"	899	899 - 17	Office supplies (not paper) N.E.S.@	M/Ton	60	189
"	899	899 - 18	Pipes, cigar holders & cigarette holders			9
"	899	899 - 21	Works of art & collectors' pieces			4
"	899	899 - 99	Mechanical lighters	000	3	8
"	899	899 - 99	Manufactured articles N.E.S.@			438
SECTION 9 MISCELLANEOUS TRANSACTIONS AND COMMODITIES N.E.S.@						481
Live Animals not for Food						
92	921	921 - 09	Live animals (not for food)	Number	2,608	158

@ 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 1,000
SECTION 9 MISCELLANEOUS TRANSACTIONS AND COMMODITIES N.E.S.@ (continued)						
Returned Goods and Special Transactions						
93	931	931 - 02	Baggage and personal effects			323
G O L D						
A	A	A - 3	Gold sheets			141

SUMMARY OF IMPORTS‡ IN VALUE

Section No.		Description	Value C.I.F. Unit = Rs 1,000
SITC	0	Food	73,689
	1	Beverages and Tobacco	5,718
	2	Crude Materials, inedible, except Fuels	6,133
	3	Mineral Fuels, Lubricants and related materials	14,940
	4	Animal and Vegetable Oils and Fats	10,999
	5	Chemicals	30,671
	6	Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	64,198
	7	Machinery and Transport equipment	38,857
	8	Miscellaneous manufactured articles	18,132
	9	Miscellaneous transactions and commodities N.E.S.@	481
	A	Gold	141
		Grand total	263,959

Note: Returned goods amounting to Rs 42,914 included in Imports.

‡ Including Imports by the Colonial Government.

@ Not elsewhere specified.

DETAILS OF EXPORTED MERCHANDISE (including RE-EXPORTS) 1957

Exports of domestic produce are indicated by +

Division No.	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional Title Description	Unit	Quantity	Value F.O.B. Unit = Rs 1,000
SECTION 0 FOOD						315,618
Meat and Meat Preparations						
01	011 012 013		Meat and meat preparations	M/Ton	1	23
Dairy Products, Eggs and Honey						
02	022	022 - 01	Milk and cream evaporated and condensed	"	6	15
Fish and Fish Preparations						
03	031	031 - 02	Fish salted, dried or smoked	"	1	2
Cereals and Cereal Preparations						
04	046 048		Cereals and cereal preparations	"	11	8
Fruits and Vegetables						
05	051	051 - 01, 05 & 06	Fresh fruits	"	80	66
05	054	054 - 09	Ginger, suran, sweet potatoes+	"	360	134
Sugar and Sugar Preparations						
06	061	061 - 01	Sugar not refined+	"	584,013	306,925
06	061	061 - 02	Sugar refined+	"	1,590	777
06	061	061 - 03	Molasses inedible+	"	72,539	5,388
Coffee, Tea, Cocoa, Spices and Manufactures thereof						
07	074	074 - 01	Tea+	"	441	2,272
Miscellaneous Food Preparations						
09	099	099 - 09	Food preparations N.E.S.@		-	8

@ 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 1,000
SECTION 1 BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO						34
Alcoholic Beverages						
11	112	112 - 01 & 04	Alcoholic beverages			3
Tobacco & Tobacco Manufactures						
12	121	121 - 01	Tobacco unmanufactured, butted or stemmed+	M/Ton	10	31
SECTION 2 CRUDE MATERIALS, INEDIBLE, EXCEPT FUELS						4,497
Hides, Skins and Fur Skins undressed						
21	211	211 - 01 & 04	Hides & skins undressed	M/Ton	2	5
Wood shaped or simply worked						
24	243	243 - 01 & 03	Lumber (including sleepers) sawn or planed	C/Metre	7	2
Metalliferrous Ores and Metal Scrap						
28	282	282 - 01	Iron & Steel scrap	M/Ton	12,193	3,998
"	284	284 - 01	Non-ferrous metal scrap	"	369	485
Animal and Vegetable Crude Materials N.E.S.@						
29	291	291 - 09	Animal Crude Material N.E.S.@			7
SECTION 3 MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED PRODUCTS						
31	313	313 - 03	Gas oil & diesel oil	Hectolitre	731	5
"	313	313 - 04	Lubricating oils	"	1	1
SECTION 4 ANIMAL AND VEGETABLE OILS AND FATS						1
41	412	412 - 09	Oils from seeds, nuts and kernels	M/Ton	0.4	1

@ 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 1,000
SECTION 5 CHEMICALS						69
Chemical Elements and Compounds						
51	512	512 - 02	Ethyl alcohol+	Hectolitre	309	26
"	512	512 - 02	Methyl alcohol+	"	11	1
Pigments, paints, varnishes and related materials						
53	533	533 - 03	Prepared paints	M/Ton	0.6	2
Medicinal & Pharmaceutical Products						
54	541	541 - 09	Medicinal & pharmaceutical products N.E.S.@	"	3	19
Essential Oils and Perfume Materials, Polishing and Cleansing Preparations						
55	552	552 - 01 & 02	Perfumery, soap and other toilet preparations	"	0.2	1
Miscellaneous Chemical Materials and Products						
59	599	599 - 02	Weed killers	"	6	20
SECTION 6 MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL						1,397
Leather						
61	611	611 - 01	Leather	M/Ton	0.2	2
Rubber Manufactured Articles						
62	629	629 - 09	Manufactures of soft and hard rubber N.E.S.@	"	4	22
Wood Manufactures						
63	632	632 - 09	Manufactures of wood N.E.S.@			1
Textile Yarn, Fabrics and Made-up Articles and related products						
65	652	652 - 02	Cotton fabrics	000 Sq. Ms.	3	3
"	653	653 - 05	Fabrics of synthetic fibres	"	4	5
"	656	656 - 01	Bags & sacks for packing	000	695	498
"	656	656 - 05	Made-up articles of textile fibres N.E.S.@			3
Non-Metallic Mineral Manufactures, N.E.S.@						
66	665	665 - 01 to 09	Glassware			2
Silver, Platinum, Gems and Jewellery						
67	671	671 - 01	Silver unworked & partly worked			757
"	673	673 - 01	Jewellery, Goldsmiths' & Silversmiths' wares			7

@ not elsewhere specified.

Exports of domestic produce are indicated by +

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 1,000
SECTION 6 MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL (continued)						
Base Metals						
68	681	681 - 04	Joists, girders, angles etc.	M/Ton	1	2
"	681	681 - 13	Steel tubes and fittings	"	12	21
"	681	681 - 14	Iron pipes and fittings	"	6	8
Manufactures of Metals N.E.S.@						
69	699	699 - 29	Manufactured goods N.E.S.@	"		66
						612
SECTION 7 MACHINERY AND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT						
Machinery other than electric						
71	711	711 - 05	Diesel engines and parts	M/Ton	1	10
"	712	712 - 01	Agricultural machinery and appliances	"	3	11
"	713	713 - 01	Agricultural tractors and parts	"		8
"	715	715 - 02	Metal working machinery (other than machine tools)	"	15	3
"	716	716 - 03	Mobile cranes, spare parts & accessories	"	24	213
"	716	716 - 13	Machinery & appliances N.E.S.@	"	-	55
"	716	716 - 15	Machine parts & accessories N.E.S.@	"	17	88
Electric Machinery, Apparatus & Appliances						
72	721	721 - 01	Electric generators	"	0.6	5
"	721	721 - 04	Radio apparatus	"	-	5
"	721	721 - 19	Electrical machinery, apparatus & appliances	"	-	70
Transport equipment						
73	732	732 - 01	Motor cars	Number	9	80
"	732	732 - 02	Motor cycles	"	3	4
"	732	732 - 03	Buses, trucks & lorries	"	2	17
"	732	732 - 06	Motor chassis	M/Ton	0.7	7
"	733	733 - 02	Parts of bicycles	"	0.2	2
"	734	734 - 03	Parts of aircraft	"	0.3	28
"	735	735 - 09	Ships and boats	Number	4	6

@ 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 1,000
SECTION 8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES						507
82	821	821 - 01 & 09	Furniture and fixtures			2
83	831	831 - 01 & 02	Travel goods of leather and imitation leather			3
Clothing						
84	841	841 - 09	Clothing except fur clothing			13
Footwear						
85	851	851 - 01	Slippers	Pair	100	1
"	851	851 - 02	Leather footwear	"	113	2
Scientific, Medical, Optical, Measuring and Controlling Instruments and Apparatus						
86	861	861 - 01	Optical instruments			2
"	861	861 - 02	Photographic and cinematographic apparatus and appliances			25
"	863	863 - 01	Cinematographic films exposed	000 Metres	980	424
Miscellaneous manufactured articles N.E.S.@						
89	892	892 - 01	Books and pamphlets	M/Ton	0.6	9
"	892	892 - 02	Newspapers and periodicals	"	2	6
"	892	892 - 04	Pictures and designs			6
"	892	892 - 09	Printed matter on cardboard and paper N.E.S.@			3
"	899	899 - 99	Manufactured articles N.E.S.@			11
SECTION 9 MISCELLANEOUS TRANSACTIONS AND COMMODITIES N.E.S.@						444
Postal Packages						
91	911	911 - 01	Postal packages			99
Returned goods and special Transactions						
93	931	931 - 01	Returned goods			43
"	931	931 - 02	Baggage			302
S I L V E R						
	B	B - 2	Silver Coins	M/Ton		NIL
						NIL

@ not elsewhere specified.

SUMMARY OF EXPORTS IN VALUE

Section No.	Description	Value F.O.B. Unit = Rs 1,000
SITC+ 0	Food	315,618
1	Beverages and Tobacco	34
2	Crude Materials, inedible, except Fuels	4,497
3	Mineral Fuels, Lubricants and related materials	6
4	Animal and Vegetable Oils & Fats	1
5	Chemicals	69
6	Manufactured Goods classified chiefly by material	1,397
7	Machinery and Transport equipment	612
8	Miscellaneous manufactured articles	507
9	Miscellaneous Transactions and Commodities N.E.S.@	444
B	Silver	NIL
	Grand Total	323,185

NOTE:- Returned Goods amounting to Rs 42,914 included in Exports.

Value of Preference Certificates on Sugar amounting to Rs 7,106,512 excluded from Exports.

@ Not elsewhere specified

+ Standard International Trade Classification.

DOMESTIC TRADE

The following table gives a summary of imports from and exports to the Dependencies+ of Mauritius during the year 1957.

In Rupees

Section No.	Divisional Title Description	Imports	Exports
SITC 0	Food	1,721,362	1,745,140
1	Beverages and Tobacco	NIL	885,850
2	Crude Materials, inedible except Fuels	1,094,461	143,097
3	Mineral Fuels, Lubricants and related materials	NIL	87,866
4	Animal and Vegetable Oils and Fats	6,020	213,246
5	Chemicals	NIL	315,010
6	Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	NIL	1,183,796
7	Machinery and Transport	NIL	137,808
8	Miscellaneous Manufactured Articles	3,729	294,578
9	Miscellaneous Transactions and Commodities N.E.S.@	4,060	64,385
B	Silver Coins and current notes	NIL	NIL
	TOTAL	2,829,632	5,070,776

+ Rodrigues, Chagos Archipelago, Agalega, St. Brandon.

@ not elsewhere specified.

SUGAR SALES 1940 - 1957

In Metric tons

Crop Years	SUGAR EXPORTED		LOCAL SALES		Total Sales
	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	328,823
1943	259,298	28,848	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	7,189	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
1956	546,398	2,098	6,857	17,159	572,512
1957	535,142	3,195	7,448	16,218	562,003

SALES PROCEEDS OF SUGAR PER METRIC TON

PRICES

Crop Year	C.I.F.Value	F.O.B. Value	Value of special colonial preference+	Total export value	Index (1938 = 100)	Local Sales Value	Index (1938 = 100)	Total Sales Value	Index (1938 = 100)
	Rs per M/Ton	Rs per M/Ton	Rs per M/Ton	Rs per M/Ton		Rs per M/Ton		Rs per M/Ton	
1938 - 39	137.92	115.05	15.99	131.03	100	160.93	100	132.27	100
1939 - 40	137.68	127.46	22.77	150.23	115	160.95	100	151.33	114
1940 - 41	172.87	151.63	16.46	168.09	128	179.78	112	169.18	128
1941 - 42	173.70	152.45	15.98	168.43	129	179.88	112	169.32	128
1942 - 43	202.86	181.05	15.62	196.67	150	189.48	118	196.80	149
1943 - 44	202.89	180.95	17.28	198.26	151	168.28	105	196.72	149
1944 - 45	252.53	230.06	27.75	257.81	197	221.50	138	255.24	193
1945 - 46	360.10	337.80	40.49	378.29	289	245.28	152	362.20	274
1946 - 47	291.99	269.74	18.21	287.95	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	363.38	340.68	13.00	353.68	270	355.60	221	354.56	268
1949 - 50	367.21	364.94	12.18	377.12	288	370.51	230	377.34	285
1950 - 51	424.55	401.34	12.09	413.43	316	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	518.20	497.78	14.63	513.40	392	369.85	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
1955 - 56	527.85	495.07	18.86	514.80	393	381.96	237	509.19	385
1956 - 57	572.96	528.34	16.83	546.54	417	378.53	235	539.49	408

+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 334,360 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 Merchants' Commission of 2/3% of the c.i.f. value, and to a Brokers' Commission of 1/3% on sugar sold to the Ministry of Food and ½% 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

	1954 - 1955		1955 - 1956		1956 - 1957	
	Rs	%	Rs	%	Rs	%
Freight	21.81	76.2	29.40	81.1	41.01	84.8
Insurance	1.49	5.2	1.42	3.9	1.41	2.9
London Brokerage	1.88	6.6	1.95	5.4	2.20	4.6
Shippers' Commission	3.43	12.0	3.49	9.6	3.73	7.7
Total	28.61	100.0	36.26	100.0	48.35	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@ of crop exported)

C R O P Y E A R

1954-55	1955-56	1956-57
5.2	6.6	8.2

@C.I.F. Value plus Value of Preference Certificates.

EXTERNAL TRADE

GROSS FREIGHT TONNAGE* OF IMPORTS AND EXPORTS - 1957 Metric Tons

Period ending	Imports	Exports	Total
6/1	3,099	12,644	15,743
13/1	6,394	18,323	24,717
20/1	7,735	6,359	14,094
27/1	9,417	10,684	20,101
3/2	7,210	17,122	24,332
10/2	5,168	6,425	11,593
17/2	4,479	14,102	18,581
24/2	7,027	13,763	20,790
3/3	5,732	13,092	18,824
10/3	1,349	15,357	16,706
17/3	17,171	1,447	18,618
24/3	12,935	8,933	21,868
31/3	8,899	2,918	11,817
7/4	1,729	3,237	4,966
14/4	4,260	10,725	14,985
21/4	15,268	10,314	25,582
28/4	3,373	211	3,584
5/5	1,541	1,766	3,307
12/5	12,856	374	13,230
19/5	5,853	1,158	7,011
26/5	7,160	15	7,175
2/6	4,856	1,020	5,876
9/6	1,786	399	2,185
16/6	19,251	12,938	32,189
23/6	14,069	897	14,966
30/6	13,840	1,102	14,942
7/7	15,215	899	16,114
14/7	2,002	1,031	3,033
21/7	1,387	78	1,465
28/7	4,454	3,227	7,681
4/8	1,879	14,645	16,524
11/8	2,258	4,861	7,119
18/8	7,708	11,453	19,161
25/8	13,959	14,806	28,765
1/9	2,186	31,192	33,378
8/9	2,855	43,621	46,476
15/9	8,705	22,628	31,333
22/9	29,290	23,995	53,285
29/9	4,277	25,304	29,581
6/10	11,272	9,615	20,887
13/10	5,239	21,901	27,140
20/10	11,792	26,313	38,105
27/10	3,363	41,540	44,903
3/11	2,468	20,269	22,737
10/11	3,792	31,993	35,785
17/11	8,115	22,753	30,868
24/11	8,861	32,806	41,667
1/12	1,251	34,273	35,524
8/12	3,974	14,717	18,691
15/12	4,596	17,666	22,262
22/12	5,566	6,571	12,137
29/12	9,659	14,704	24,363
31/12	5,620	3,563	9,183
T O T A L	384,200	681,749	1,065,949
Imports from & Exports to Dependencies	5,955	7,681	13,636
Grand Total of Imports & Exports	390,155	689,430	1,079,585

* Gross freight tonnage is computed according to actual weight in the case of heavy goods and in the 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 THE VARIOUS TRADES

(by industrial groups)

ISIC+		NUMBER
01	Agriculture and Livestock Production	1
19	Non-metallic mining and quarrying not elsewhere classified	8
20	Food manufacturing industries, except beverage industries	6
21	Beverage industries	56
22	Tobacco manufactures	2
28	Printing, publishing and allied industries	46
29	Manufacture of leather and leather products, except footwear	8
31	Manufacture of chemicals and chemical products	13
33	Manufacture of non-metallic mineral products except products of petroleum and coal	49
34	Basic metal industries	128
35	Manufacture of metal products, except machinery and transport equipment	13
38	Manufacture of transport equipment	68
39	Miscellaneous manufacturing industries	155
40	Construction	61
52	Water and sanitary services	7
61	Wholesale and retail trade	10,365
62	Banks and other financial institutions	10
63	Insurance	76
64	Real estate	88
71	Transport	47
72	Storage and warehousing	41
82	Community and business services	128
83	Recreation services	109
84	Personal services	1,749
	TOTAL	13,234

+International Standard Industrial Classification.

CONSUMERS' PRICE INDEXES

Basic Period: 1948 = 100

Class / Month	1	9	5	6	1	9	5	7
	Manual Workers	Clerical	Executive	Administrative	Manual Workers	Clerical	Executive	Administrative
January	124	128	128	129	131	131	131	131
February	124	128	128	129	128	129	130	130
March	124	128	128	128	127	129	129	130
April	124	128	128	128	126	128	129	130
May	125	129	129	129	125	127	129	129
June	125	129	129	129	125	127	129	129
July	126	129	129	129	125	127	129	129
August	126	129	129	129	126	128	129	130
September	129	130	130	129	127	129	130	130
October	131	131	131	129	127	129	130	130
November	131	132	132	131	127	129	130	130
December	129	131	131	131	127	129	130	130

Range of monthly household expenditure

Manual Workers: up to Rs 300
Clerical Class: up to Rs 550
Executive Class: Rs 550 - Rs 1,000
Administrative Class: Over Rs 1,000

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

COMPARATIVE RETAIL MARKET PRICES IN 1948 AND IN 1957

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

COMMODITY	Unit of Quantity	1948 Maximum Rs	1948 Minimum Rs	1957 Maximum Rs	1957 Minimum Rs
Flour	kg	0.56 (c)	0.52 (c)	0.52 (c)	0.52 (c)
Bread	200 grms.	0.13 (c)	0.12 (c)	0.17 (c)	0.14 (c)
Biscuits (local)	100	1.00	0.80	1.50	1.00
Biscuits (imported)	½ kg	4.00	2.50	4.25	3.00
Rice (imported)	kg	0.70 (c)	0.62 (c)	1.20	0.60 (c)
Maize rice	"	0.50	0.50	0.60	0.60
Macaroni (local)	"	0.98	0.98	1.52	0.80
Macaroni (imported)	"	1.80	1.76	2.60	2.00
Vermicelli (local)	"	0.98	0.98	1.52	1.00
Lentils (black)	"	0.62	0.62	1.10	0.70
Dholl (imported):					
Toowar	"	1.50	1.00	1.40	0.80
Gram	"	1.00	1.00	1.10	0.80
Split peas	"	0.92	0.92	1.10	0.90
Beans broad	"	0.60	0.60	1.40	1.20
Beans haricot	"	0.60	0.60	2.40	1.20
1. FOOD (b) Meat, fish, eggs, poultry, etc...					
Beef - fresh	kg	2.50 (c)	1.40 (c)	5.00	3.00
Beef - salted	"	3.20	2.40	4.80	4.80
Corned beef	12 ozs	1.15	1.06	2.00	1.80
Sausages, pork - fresh	kg	6.00	5.60	5.60	5.00
Sausages, pork - canned	12 ozs	2.48	1.25	2.75	2.25
Sausages, beef - canned	"	2.00	1.20	2.25	2.25
Goat & mutton - fresh	kg	1.20	1.20	5.00	4.50
Pork - fresh	"	5.60	4.60	5.60	5.00
Pork - salted	"	4.40	3.60	5.20	4.80
Fish - fresh	"	1.60	0.60	2.95	1.35
Fish - salted	"	1.10	1.10	2.40	2.00
Sardines in oil	4 ozs	0.82	0.40	0.60	0.55
Salmon	16 ozs	1.82	1.47	2.60	2.30
Herrings	"	1.30	1.04	1.00	0.90
Bomblas	kg	2.10	1.90	3.20	2.40
Snoek	"	2.00	1.50	2.80	1.60
Prawns	"	5.36	4.24	8.00	6.00
Eggs	unit	0.22	0.17	0.25	0.20
Poultry	kg	6.00	3.50	6.00	5.50
Ham, uncooked	"	3.50	2.50	9.00	8.00
Ham, boiled	"	6.00	5.00	18.00	16.80
Salami	"	2.25	1.75	10.00	6.80
Bacon	"	3.75	3.25	6.80	6.80
Lamb tongue - canned	12 ozs	1.40	1.40	3.00	2.75

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

COMMODITY	Unit of Quantity	1948 Maximum Rs	1948 Minimum Rs	1957 Maximum Rs	1957 Minimum Rs
Coconut oil refined	litre	1.50 (c)	1.25 (c)	1.75	1.60
Groundnut oil	"	1.50 (c)	1.25 (c)	2.25	1.90
Salad oil	"	5.00	5.00	3.00	3.00
Olive oil (Plagniol)	"	16.16	12.00	7.00	7.00
Lard	kg	4.92	3.08	3.00	2.40
Ghee, vegetable	"	4.84	3.80	3.00	2.80
Ghee, animal	"	5.64	5.46	7.93	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	0.20
Curry stuff	"	2.00	1.60	2.80	2.00
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	1.35
1. FOOD (e) Butter, cheese, sugar and beverages (tea, coffee, milk etc.)					
Tea (local)	kg	5.60	4.80	7.38	6.50
Tea (imported)	"	8.80	5.66	11.45	9.91
Sugar, white	"	0.44 (c)	0.39 (c)	0.46 (c)	0.46 (c)
Sugar, raw	"	0.30 (c)	0.30 (c)	0.32 (c)	0.32 (c)
Coffee	"	1.30	1.30	4.50	2.20
Cocoa	"	4.48	2.48	7.16	6.61
Chocolate	"	7.00	2.56	11.43	9.00
Butter (imported)	"	5.59	4.46	7.05	6.31
Margarine	32 ozs	2.83	2.80	2.50	2.35
Cheese (imported)	kg	4.10	3.26	6.00	4.80
Milk, whole	litre	0.40	0.38	0.50	0.50
Milk, condensed	14 ozs	0.90	0.66	0.95	0.90
1. FOOD (f) Wines and Spirits					
Soda water	½ bottle	0.15	0.15	0.18	0.15
Lemonade	"	0.20	0.15	0.20	0.16
Wine (local)	bottle	1.50	0.60	1.00	0.60
Wine (imported)	"	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	1.86	2.00	1.80
Brandy (imported)	"	11.00	8.50	13.00	10.50
Rum	litre	6.00	4.00	6.75	6.25
Whisky	bottle	9.05	8.78	19.00	16.00
2. CLOTHING AND GARMENTS					
Men's hats	unit	33.00	5.50	32.00	8.00
Women's hats	"	30.00	12.00	35.00	8.00
Children's hats (tweed cap)	"	3.25	2.00	3.00	2.50

2. CLOTHING AND GARMENTS (continued)

COMMODITY	Unit of Quantity	1948 Maximum Rs	1948 Minimum Rs	1957 Maximum Rs	1957 Minimum Rs
Sarees	unit	12.36	9.27	17.00	6.00
Handkerchiefs	"	1.50	0.50	2.00	0.60
Drill, white	metre	3.35	1.30	3.00	2.25
Drill, khaki	"	3.45	2.21	3.00	2.25
Mattress cloth	"	5.50	1.66	4.50	1.75
Woollen suiting	"	30.00	25.00	35.00	25.00
Spun suiting	"	10.00	7.00	12.00	8.00
Silk material (inferior)	"	4.09	1.26	2.50	1.00
Silk material (superior)	"	10.83	4.00	10.00	2.50
Prints (Indienne)	"	2.60	1.25	2.50	0.60
Shirting - grey	"	2.90	1.85	1.35	0.65
Shirting - white	"	2.70	1.40	2.25	0.90
Shirts (local)	unit	12.00	3.00	12.00	1.75
Shirts (imported)	"	19.00	7.50	32.50	5.50
Towels (ordinary quality)	"	4.50	0.75	4.00	0.75
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	5.50	2.75
Blankets, cotton	unit	12.00	4.00	9.00	5.00
Blankets, woollen	"	52.00	20.00	75.00	37.50
Shoes, Men's	pair	36.80	14.00	45.00	14.00
Shoes, Women's	"	30.00	9.00	35.00	10.00
Shoes, Children's	"	16.00	4.00	25.00	6.00
Shoes, canvas	"	5.50	2.50	8.00	2.90
Sewing thread, cotton	300 yds	0.63	0.47	0.90	0.83
Sewing thread, D.M.C.	50 grms	1.83	1.20	2.28	2.25
Knitting wool	kg	29.22	16.00	48.00	24.00
Neckties, inferior quality	unit	3.75	2.25	3.50	1.75
Neckties, superior quality	"	7.50	4.00	15.00	5.00
Men's underwear (singlets)	"	3.50	1.25	3.50	0.75
Pullovers	"	20.00	3.50	35.00	7.00
Tussor, inferior quality	metre	3.75	2.50	3.00	2.50
Tussor, superior quality	"	12.00	8.50	6.00	4.50

3. FUEL.

Kerosene	litre	0.45 (c)	0.39 (c)	0.71	0.60
Denatured spirits	"	0.40	0.35	0.60	0.50
Motor spirit	Imp.Gal.	2.47	2.20	2.35	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 Maximum Rs	1948 Minimum Rs	1957 Maximum Rs	1957 Minimum Rs
Soap (local)	3 lbs bar	2.25 (c)	0.92 (c)	1.20	1.00
Soap (imported)	"	2.25 (c)	2.23 (c)	1.85	1.80
Cups & Saucers	unit	2.00	1.25	3.00	1.00
Plates	"	2.50	1.00	2.00	0.50
Glasses	"	1.00	0.25	1.30	0.40
Electric bulbs 16 c.p.	"	0.90	0.75	0.75	0.50
Candles	"	0.28	0.28	0.20	0.18
Writing pads	"	2.50	0.90	2.75	1.25
Envelopes	100	2.00	0.75	3.00	1.00
Frying pans	unit	4.00	1.25	4.00	2.50
Kettles, aluminium	"	7.50	3.00	8.50	4.50
Safety razor blades	"	0.12	0.05	0.18	0.03
Shopping bags, (vacoa)	"	0.75	0.15	1.25	0.25
Brooms, coco	"	0.25	0.25	0.50	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)	"	0.06	0.06	0.07	0.05
Toilet soap	cake	0.45	0.35	0.75	0.40
Tooth paste	tube	0.90	0.75	1.50	0.75
Toilet paper, ordinary qual.	roll	0.50	0.50	0.60	0.50
Face powder, large box	unit	3.50	2.25	4.50	1.90
Scrubs ammonia	bottle	2.00	2.00	1.50	1.50
Turpentine	litre	2.50	2.50	3.10	2.50
Wax	kg	3.00	3.00	4.00	3.00
Cleansing powder	packet	1.00	0.80	1.25	0.70
Washing soda	kg	0.50	0.50	0.80	0.70
Creoline	litre	2.75	2.75	3.00	3.00
Boot polish, large size	tin	0.40	0.40	0.50	0.50
Sunlight soap	cake	0.34	0.34	0.35	0.33
Metal polish	tin	1.10	1.10	1.25	1.25
Brush coco (for floors)	unit	0.20	0.20	0.50	0.25

5. TOBACCO AND CIGARETTES

Pipe tobacco (local)	oz.	0.68	0.68	0.83	0.83
Pipe tobacco (imported)	"	1.70	1.25	1.70	1.31
Cigarettes (local)	50	1.90	0.70	2.50	1.12
Cigarettes (imported)	"	3.75	2.00	3.50	2.75

\+ 40 sticks

* 60 sticks

MARKET PRICE FLUCTUATIONS OF VEGETABLES AND FRUITS

COMMODITY	Unit of Quantity	Maximum during year	Minimum during year	Fluctuation
		Rs	Rs	Rs
PERISHABLE				
Chouchou	kg	0.70	0.10	0.60
Brinjal	"	0.55	0.17	0.35
Haricot vert	"	1.13	0.66	0.47
Pipengaille	"	0.69	0.24	0.45
Patolle	"	0.84	0.19	0.65
Andive	"	0.68	0.25	0.43
Green Leaf Vegetables	"	0.85	0.24	0.61
Pomme d'Amour	"	1.62	0.28	1.34
Lalo	"	0.93	0.46	0.47
Pumpkin	"	0.50	0.21	0.29
Calabash	"	0.40	0.13	0.27
Peas Green	"	2.47	1.28	1.19
Embrevades	"	2.33	1.40	0.93
Mangoze	"	1.57	0.54	1.03
Manioc	"	0.35	0.20	0.15
Voam	"	0.87	0.38	0.49
Petsai	unit	0.38	0.20	0.18
Cabbage	"	0.74	0.21	0.53
Cauliflower	"	1.29	0.39	0.90
Lettuce	"	0.14	0.09	0.05
Cucumber	"	0.26	0.15	0.11
Beetroot	"	0.19	0.09	0.10
Turnip	"	0.15	0.08	0.07
Patisson	"	0.19	0.10	0.09
Rave	"	0.11	0.08	0.03
Banana	"	0.04	0.04	-
SEMI-PERISHABLE				
Potato (local)	kg	0.94	0.59	0.35
Potato (imported)	"	0.86	0.58	0.28
Arrouille violet	"	0.57	0.38	0.19
Arrouille curry	"	0.53	0.31	0.22
Carrot	"	1.31	0.34	0.97
Onion (local)	"	1.71	1.04	0.67
Onion (imported)	"	1.60	0.80	0.80
Chillies, green (big)	"	2.00	0.33	1.67
Chillies, green (small)	"	7.06	1.09	5.97
Garlic	"	2.98	1.79	1.19
Ginger	"	0.58	0.40	0.18
Sweet potato	"	0.43	0.28	0.15
Maize (whole)	"	0.54	0.41	0.13
Radish	unit	0.05	0.02	0.03
Coconut, dry	"	0.55	0.43	0.12
Pineapple	"	1.16	0.52	0.64
Orange	"	0.64	0.25	0.39
Apple	"	0.40	0.29	0.11
Avocado	"	0.29	0.14	0.15
Pawpaw	"	0.36	0.29	0.07

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, dholl and beans.

COMMODITY	Jan-March	Apr-June	July-Sept.	Oct.-Dec.
Flour	93	93	93	93
Bread	134-112	112	112	112
Biscuits (local)	144	144	144	144
Biscuits (imported)	110	110	110	110
Rice (imported)	105-86	119-86	123-86	143-86
Maize rice	120	120	120	120
Macaroni (local)	186	186-167	167	167
Macaroni (imported)	124	124	140-124	140
Vermicelli (local)	134	134	134	129
Lentils (black)	323-150	169-137	126-121	145-121
Dholl (imported):				
Toowar	120-82	73	82-73	95-82
Gram	105-85	100-95	100	100
Split peas	114-103	103	103	103-98
Beans, broad	233-225	225-208	208	208
Beans, haricots	316-300	300	283	266
1. FOOD (b) Meat, fish, eggs, poultry, etc.				
Beef, fresh	196	196	196	196
Beef, salted	192	192	192	192
Corned beef	172-170	170	170	170
Sausages, pork (fresh)	92	92	92	92
Sausages, pork (canned)	169	169	169-156	156
Sausages, beef (canned)	152	152	152	152
Goat & mutton, fresh	148	148	156-148	156
Fish, fresh	286-208	280-190	289-231	263-225
Fish, salted	218	218-182	182	182
Pork, fresh	104	104	104	104
Pork, salted	120-115	120	120	120
Sardines in oil	73	73	73	73
Salmon	144	144	144	144
Herrings	86	86	86	86
Bomblas	156-151	141	141	122
Snoek	158-121	121-109	145-121	121-97
Prawns	135-120	156-120	129	129-125
Eggs	133	133	133-122	127-117
Poultry	115	115	115	115
Ham, uncooked	267	267	300-267	300
Ham, boiled	305	305	327-305	327
Salami	282	282	321-282	321
Bacon	194	194	194	194
Lamb tongue (canned)	113	113	199-113	199

1. FOOD (c) Vegetables and Fruits.

COMMODITY	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
PERISHABLE												
Chouchou	385	344	383	172	117	56	94	94	150	161	200	294
Brinjal	239	135	131	122	91	74	139	131	209	135	174	226
Haricot, green	219	219	235	181	160	138	143	177	154	183	215	198
Pipengaille	151	188	105	126	74	132	160	175	185	163	182	212
Patolle	350	171	87	92	67	120	175	217	217	212	217	212
Andive	145	111	89	129	77	114	141	209	185	160	178	185
Green Leaf Vegetables	173	125	141	126	127	149	140	142	138	128	134	140
Pomme d'Amour	175	266	278	81	100	48	106	206	221	86	146	146
Lalo	189	153	151	126	121	103	153	184	209	171	202	187
Pumpkin	138	141	147	82	115	79	106	132	118	115	112	121
Calabash	151	101	136	106	81	79	157	167	192	124	152	202
Peas, green	228	228	274	228	188	160	187	162	150	142	197	239
Embrevades	-	-	-	-	259	244	188	156	-	217	233	-
Margoze	80	72	112	86	242	155	217	234	192	143	158	148
Manioc	124	189	162	157	135	113	119	108	135	124	124	140
Voëm	128	92	142	90	85	85	124	150	63	-	186	196
Petsaï	-	187	167	207	193	133	147	173	207	180	253	247
Cabbage	137	-	-	423	166	120	143	137	143	166	200	194
Cauliflower	-	-	-	358	283	122	122	109	134	142	164	-
Lettuce	114	149	160	125	103	114	125	103	114	114	137	137
Cucumber	92	111	104	128	159	134	147	152	147	122	152	140
Beetroot	120	160	190	100	190	130	90	110	100	90	130	140

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

COMMODITY	January	Feb.	March	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Turnip	154	154	154	154	138	185	154	123	138	154	138	154
Patisson	163	238	187	187	150	150	137	125	137	125	137	195
Rave	144	144	160	128	144	144	176	144	160	160	160	160
Banana	100	100	100	100	100	100	1000	100	100	100	100	100
SEMI-PERISHABLE												
Potato (local)	129	97	-	-	114	97	91	101	145	122	120	109
Potato (imported)	140	105	153	107	131	115	107	145	156	138	124	124
Arrouille violet	122	128	133	119	114	158	117	114	111	105	105	133
Arrouille curry	204	154	158	146	131	135	150	138	134	119	146	169
Carrot	148	167	367	485	222	207	156	144	141	126	178	211
Onion (local)	131	131	168	176	169	144	127	129	122	200	186	201
Onion (imported)	145	145	173	196	224	291	287	191	154	256	242	242
Garlic	156	94	119	126	128	117	133	131	121	94	110	106
Ginger	137	159	172	181	169	147	134	125	125	125	141	172
Chillies, green (big)	119	62	84	120	60	122	187	281	300	364	200	300
Chillies, green (small)	167	115	139	120	70	112	253	254	451	412	394	320
Sweet potato	211	195	200	189	189	163	147	147	153	147	211	226
Maize (whole)	106	106	115	102	91	98	87	96	106	106	106	106
Radish	100	-	50	50	50	125	75	75	75	75	75	100
Pineapple	144	181	217	233	200	194	208	322	314	286	156	158
Orange	160	205	320	260	-	145	155	205	145	125	140	160
Mango	238	150	225	225	-	-	-	262	312	287	262	225
Coconut, dry	134	127	137	127	127	119	112	105	107	105	105	105

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	96	96	98-96	93-90
Groundnut oil	101	101-98	91	89
Salad oil	60	60	60	60
Olive oil, Plagniol	49	49	49	49
Lard	83	83	83	84
Ghee, vegetable	65	65	65	67-65
Ghee, animal	139	139	141	141
Vinegar (local)	110	110	110	110
Vinegar (imported)	79	79	93	93
Salt, fine	167	167	167	167
Curry stuff	147-132	126-121	132-121	132-110
Curry powder	75-70	70	70	70
Jam	116	116	116	116
Orange marmalade	132	132	132	132
Yorkshire sauce	110	110	110	110
1. FOOD (e) Butter, cheese, sugar and beverages (tea, coffee, milk, etc..)				
Tea (local)	135	135	135	135
Tea (imported)	158	158	160	160
Sugar, white	110	110	110	110
Sugar, raw	107	107	107	107
Coffee	226	226	226	226
Cocoa	186	202-186	202	202
Chocolate	231	231	201	201
Butter (imported)	137	137-132	128	128
Margarine	84	84	89-84	89
Cheese (imported)	164-148	148	158	158
Milk, whole	128	128	128	128
Milk, condensed	112	112	114-112	114
1. FOOD (f) Wines and Spirits				
Soda water	100	100	113-100	113
Lemonade	100	100	100	100
Wine (local)	76	76	76	76
Wine (imported)	90	90	90	90
Beer	87	87	87	87
Ale	124	124	124	124
Porter	102	102	102	102
Brandy (imported)	107-104	107	107	107
Rum	129-124	124	124	124
Whisky	199	199	199	199
2. CLOTHING AND GARMENTS				
Men's hats	121	121	121	121
Women's hats	100	100	100	100
Children's hats (tweed cap)	97	97	97	97

2. CLOTHING AND GARMENTS (continued)

COMMODITY	Jan.-March	April-June	July-Sept.	Oct.-Dec.
Sarees	107	107	107	107
Handkerchiefs	136	136	136-121	121
Drill, white	126-81	126-81	126-81	126-81
Drill, khaki	98-87	98-87	104-87	104-87
Mattress cloth	62-49	62-49	62-49	62-53
Woollen suiting	109	109	109	109
Spun suiting	118	118	118	118
Silk material (inferior)	80-63	75-63	75-63	70-57
Silk material (superior)	69-58	69-58	69-58	69-58
Prints (Indienne)	95-46	95-46	95-46	95-46
Shirting - grey	57-54	51	51	51
Shirting - white	77-72	81-76	77-72	77-72
Shirts (local)	65	65	96-65	96
Shirts (imported)	115	115	115	116
Towels, ordinary quality	88	88	104-88	104
Towels, bath	156	156	156	156
Socks, cotton	108	108	108	108
Socks, woollen	120	120	120	120
Blankets, cotton	79	79	79	79
Blankets, woollen	166	166	166	166
Shoes, Men's	114	114	114	114
Shoes, Women's	108	108	108	108
Shoes, Children's	146	146	146	146
Shoes, canvas	135	135	135	137-135
Sewing thread, cotton	151	151	155	164-155
Sewing thread, D.M.C.	175	175-173	173	173
Knitting wool	163	163	163	163
Working suits	74	74	79-74	79
Neckties, inferior quality	82	82	82	82
Neckties, superior quality	116	116	116	116
Pullovers	111	111	111	111
Men's underwear (singlets)	130	130	130	130
Tussor, inferior quality	120	120-110	110	110
Tussor, superior quality	56	56	62-56	62
3. FUEL				
Kerosene	165	165-140	140	140
Denatured spirit	145	145	158-145	158
Motor spirit	92	99-92	99	99
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	April-June	July-Sept.	Oct.-Dec.
Soap (local)	63	63	63	63
Soap (imported)	82	82	82	82-80
Cups and Saucers	116	116-109	109	109
Plates	86-60	86-38	86-38	86-38
Glasses	134	134	134	134
Electric bulbs (16 c.p.)	68	68	83-68	83
Candles	71	68	68	68
Writing pads	155	155	155	155
Envelopes	141	141	141	141
Frying pans	150	150	150	150
Kettles (aluminium)	131	131	131	131
Safety razor blades	92	112-92	112	125-112
Shopping bags (vacoa)	167	167	167	167
Brooms - coco	132	132	172-132	172
Brooms - fatac	109	109	123-109	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	129	129	129	129
Tooth paste	107	107	107	113-107
Toilet paper, ordinary quality	140	140	140	140
Face powder (large box)	136	136	136	136
Scrubs ammonia	75	75	75	75
Turpentine	127	127	127	127
Wax	179	179	179	179
Cleansing powder	196	196	200	200
Washing soda	160	160	171-160	171
Creoline	188	188	188	188
Boot polish (large size)	104	104	104	104
Sunlight soap	97	97	103-97	103
Metal Polish	114	114	114	114
Brush coco (for floors)	200	190	215-190	215
5. TOBACCO AND CIGARETTES				
Pipe tobacco (imported)	208	208	234-208	234
Cigarettes (imported)	110	110	110	110
Cigarettes (local)	137	137	137	137

+ 40 sticks.

* 60 sticks

TOOLS AND BUILDING MATERIALS

Commodity	Indices
Ironmongery	
Nails	294-95
Screws	225-133
Rivets	200
Locks	100-73
Hooks	167-100
Iron wire	148-143
Brass bars and sheets	240
Tacks	100
Bolts and nuts	167-100
Hinges	140-100
Padlocks	167-120
Iron bars and plates	183-150
Steel bars	117
Solder	167
Tools	
Agricultural tools	150-72
Metal and woodwork tools	150-78
Building Materials	
Glass plates	120-100
Paint, prepared	250-156
Paint, (powder)	140-100
Linseed oil	132-94
Turpentine	113
Cement	125
Galvanized iron pipe	99-85
Lead pipe	200
Corrugated iron sheets	155
Plain iron sheets	154
Wood, local	111+
Wood, imported	111@ 110-104x 152// 152-143++

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

+ Eucalyptus

@ Singapore

x Keruing

// Mahogany

++ Teak.

F I N A N C E

Statement of the public revenue of the Colony for the period 1st July, 1956 to 30th June, 1957

Head of Revenue	Actual Revenue to 30th June, 1957
CURRENT RECEIPTS	
Direct Taxes	
Taxes on Income	39,807,785
Taxes on Capital	1,394,847
Contribution to Social Security	875,116
Indirect Taxes	
Customs Duties	29,197,888
Taxes on Commerce and Industry:-	
(a) Excise duties	15,141,802
(b) Licences	2,932,304
Taxes on Transportation	2,162,109
Taxes on Financial Transactions	5,801,163
Receipts from Public Utilities	
Civil Aviation	127,839
Telecommunications	1,414,036
Harbour and Quays	1,820,194
Posts and Telegraphs	1,434,351
Railways	4,766,690
Sanitation and Sewerage	317,980
Water and Irrigation	675,486
Wireless and Broadcasting	308,275
Receipts from Public Services	
Accountant General	54,275
Agriculture	866,780
Audit	51,354
Archives	21,876
Central Administration	12,000
Customs and Excise	347,611
Education	288,444
Fire Services	77,301
Forests	1,102,523
Health	140,980
Judicial	389,730
Labour	19,316
Legal	1,001
Miscellaneous	917,380
Police	131,454
Printing	56,876
Prior Charges Reimbursed	60,919
Prisons	27,154
Public Assistance	18,210
Public Works and Surveys	538,246
Rental of Government Property	669,441
Interest and Royalties	5,174,701
TOTAL CURRENT RECEIPTS	119,145,507
CAPITAL RECEIPTS	
Colonial Development and Welfare	1,539,404
Development and Welfare	1,097,412
Land sales	25,544
Recovery of loans and advances	2,833,432
TOTAL CAPITAL RECEIPTS	5,495,792
TOTAL REVENUE	124,641,299

Statement of the public Expenditure of the Colony for the period 1st July, 1956 to 30th June, 1957

Head of Expenditure	Actual Expenditure to 30th June, 1957
	Rs
ORDINARY	
Prior Charges	
Public Debt+	6,430,331
Public Service Pensions	6,026,126
Defence	1,829,533
Governance	
Governor	246,847
Central Administration	1,126,107
District Administration	300,114
Local Government	1,248,959
Accountant General	563,567
Archives	97,110
Audit	255,184
Central Statistical Office	177,084
Customs and Excise	1,833,210
Development Establishment	185,856
Income Tax	439,162
Judicial	1,233,986
Legal	191,793
Legislature	424,314
Miscellaneous	1,397,842
Police	5,862,769
Printing Office	607,840
Prisons and Industrial School	1,207,077
Registrar General	249,565
Supplies Control	251,643
Public Works and Surveys Establishment	1,951,590
Social Services	
Co-operative Societies	212,079
Ecclesiastical	408,547
Education	14,661,645
Health	11,045,711
Labour	487,362
Mauritius Institute	98,120
Public Assistance	9,519,716
Social Welfare	584,274
Public Utilities and Services	
Agriculture	3,101,245
Civil Aviation	377,420
Telecommunications	1,692,332
Fire Services	803,795
Forests	2,200,455
Granary	288,849
Harbour and Quays	1,151,264
Mauritius Broadcasting Services & Globe Reuter News Service	380,266
Observatory	316,387
Posts and Telegraphs	1,741,741
Railways	5,884,316

Statement of the public Expenditure of the Colony for the period 1st July, 1956 to 30th June, 1957
(continued)

Head of Expenditure	Actual Expenditure to 30th June, 1957.
	Rs
ORDINARY (contd.)	
Investment	
Public Works (Recurrent)	7,023,335
TOTAL ORDINARY	96,157,470
EXTRAORDINARY	
Investment	13,347,503
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	109,504,973

@ Includes a sum of Rs 932,565 recoverable from the Sugar Industry and the Mauritius Agricultural Bank.

+PUBLIC DEBT

The total Public Debt of the Colony on the 30th June, 1957 was Rs 98,536,091 and the Sinking Funds held against the Public Debt aggregated Rs 8,380,506. The comparable figures on the 30th June, 1956 were Rs 99,059,842 and Rs 5,970,095 respectively.

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES OF THE PUBLIC TREASURY AS AT 30TH JUNE, 1957

LIABILITIES	Rs.	ASSETS	Rs.
Deposits ...	5,401,801	Cash Balances ...	20,393,456
Mauritius Development & Welfare Fund	8,970,482	Joint Colonial Fund ...	27,080,000
Loan Funds Unexpended ...	17,410	Remittances in transit ...	58,658
Special Funds - Deposits held on account of various Special Funds ...	63,273,130	Advances ...	15,169,571
		Investments:-	
Reserve Fund ...	22,000,000	Surplus Funds ...	37,114,619
Supplementary Sinking Fund ...	1,284,710	Supplementary Sinking Fund	1,284,710
General Revenue Balance ...	58,575,007	Various Special Funds ...	58,421,526
	159,522,540		159,522,540

FINANCIAL POSITION OF THE COLONY AS AT 30TH JUNE, 1957

REVENUE		Rs	EXPENDITURE		Rs
General Revenue Balance as at 30th June, 1956		43,005,671	Ordinary Expenditure ...Rs	96,157,470	
Ordinary Revenue ... Rs	119,145,507		Capital Expenditure ...	13,347,503	109,504,973
Capital Revenue ..	5,495,792	124,641,299	General Revenue Balance as at 30th June 1957		58,575,007
Appreciation on Investments ...		433,010			
		168,079,980			168,079,980

STATEMENT OF PUBLIC REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE 1950 - 1957

(Excluding transfers to and from the Reserve Account and Supplementary Sinking Fund)

Year ended 30th June	Revenue Rs	Expenditure Rs	Surplus Rs
1950	55,100,214	50,106,975	4,993,239
1951	60,315,772	55,809,012	4,506,760
1952	82,612,696	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
1956	143,016,922	132,714,557	10,302,365
1957	124,641,299	109,504,973	15,136,326

YIELD OF INCOME TAX

	FINANCIAL YEAR		
	1954-1955	1955 - 1956	1956 - 1957
	Rs	Rs	Rs
Individuals	14,822,458	15,555,198	15,819,032
Companies	22,857,807	22,652,659	23,988,753
Total tax collected	37,680,265	38,207,857	39,807,785

REVENUE COLLECTED ON TOBACCO AND DISTILLERY PRODUCE

	1955	1956	1957
	Rs	Rs	Rs
Tobacco			
Excise Revenue	5,265,688	4,709,981	5,656,560
Customs Revenue	5,175,948	4,338,383	4,621,023
Total Revenue	10,441,636	9,048,364	10,277,583
Distillery Produce	9,776,361	10,315,237	8,852,093

PENSIONS AND GRATUITIES

STATEMENT IN RESPECT OF PENSIONS, GRATUITIES AND COMPASSIONATE ALLOWANCES FROM FUNDS OF THE COLONY

Civil Servants other than Railway Employees

Financial Year	Number of beneficiaries at the beginning of the year drawing		Number of new beneficiaries drawing		Number of beneficiaries who ceased drawing		Total Payments+ 000 Rs
	Pensions	C/Allow-ances	Pensions	C/Allow-ances	Pensions	C/Allow-ances	
1947 - 48	971	469	85	27	74	69	1,495
1948 - 49	982	427	74	33	67	39	1,648
1949 - 50	989	421	72	39	40	34	1,596
1950 - 51	1,021	426	55	29	70	29	1,693
1951 - 52	1,006	426	60	28	46	29	2,634
1952 - 53	1,020	425	87	24	57	23	2,613
1953 - 54	1,050	426	99	120	62	24	3,732
1954 - 55	1,087	522	92	88	75	38	4,087
1955 - 56	1,104	572	94	86	57	38	3,853
1956 - 57	1,141	620	89	77	53	39	3,831
1957 - 58	1,177	658	75	65	55	41	3,990

+Including: (i) Pensions and Gratuities on retirement;
(ii) Death Gratuities of Pensioners;
(iii) Death Gratuities of recipients of compassionate allowance 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 Batallion who served in World War I.

RAILWAY EMPLOYEES

Financial Year	Number of beneficiaries at the beginning of the year drawing		Number of new beneficiaries drawing		Number of beneficiaries who ceased drawing		Total Payments 000 Rs
	Pensions	C/Allow-ances	Pensions	C/Allow-ances	Pensions	C/Allow-ances	
1947 - 48	95	157	13	20	4	6	201
1948 - 49	104	171	2	16	7	16	182
1949 - 50	99	171	10	15	7	16	207
1950 - 51	102	170	6	20	6	17	181
1951 - 52	102	173	6	17	6	17	201
1952 - 53	102	173	5	8	2	11	336
1953 - 54	105	170	22	52	11	17	588
1954 - 55	116	185	30	55	15	15	626
1955 - 56	131	225	29	79	8	28	691
1956 - 57	152	276	101	70	14	43	1,062
1957 - 58	239	303	14	20	13	22	765

PENSIONS PAID BY THE CIVIL SERVICE WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' PENSION FUND

Calendar Year	Number of pensioners at beginning of year	Number of new pensioners	Number of pensions which ceased during the year	Actual Payments (000 Rs)
1950	1,268	38	35	415
1951	1,271	52	25	422
1952	1,298	62	42	1,100
1953	1,318	62	51	971
1954	1,329	86	47	1,574+
1955	1,368	64	45	1,128
1956	1,387	78	70	1,011
1957	1,395	74	55	1,048

+Including Rs 596,788 paid as arrears for period 1st July, 1949 to 31st August, 1954 following an investigation by the Government Actuary.

OLD AGE PENSIONS* PAID FROM FUNDS OF THE COLONY

Calendar Year	Number of Pensioners	Actual Payments (000 Rs)
1952	12,304	2,201
1953	19,002	3,180
1954	20,456	4,311
1955	18,429	4,401
1956	19,031	4,452
1957	19,607	4,619

*Paid to men aged 65 and over, women aged 60 and over and blind persons aged 40 and over.

ACCOUNTS OF PUBLIC FUNDS EXPENDED IN RELIEVING VARIOUS TYPES OF DESTITUTION - 1948 - 1957

Unit = Rupees

Calendar Year	Outdoor Relief	Indoor Relief	Relief Work	Old Age Pensions+	Contribution to Welfare Organizations			School for the Blind	TOTAL
					Maternity & Child Welfare Society	Milk for poor mothers and babies	Expenditure on free meals		
1948	600,016	225,520	42,973	-	42,375	4,800	6,666	6,000	928,350
1949	703,841	220,963	55,464	-	47,900	4,800	6,315	6,800	1,046,088
1950	794,704	231,606	51,312	845,390	49,851	7,400	6,806	6,800	1,993,869
1951	1,024,382	234,979	59,400	2,340,613	41,575	16,162	8,296	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	2,106,678	360,991	65,193	3,180,364	42,904	30,712	15,232	15,000	5,817,074
1954	2,092,673	363,541	64,883	4,310,823	118,000	46,400	18,452	15,000	7,029,772
1955	2,497,002	352,882	67,872	4,401,183	118,900	47,300	17,711	15,000	7,517,850
1956	2,726,949	373,296	77,111	4,452,387	119,150	49,200	16,800	15,000	7,829,893
1957	4,198,898*	334,668	47,607X	4,619,250	118,000	56,630	13,010	15,000	9,403,063

+Scheme instituted on 1st July, 1950

*inclusive of Rs 476,581 immediate relief.

X Decrease due to closing down of Public Assistance Department's Laundry Branch in January, 1957.

COMPARATIVE APPROVED PUBLIC EXPENDITURE ON DIFFERENT SOCIAL SERVICES OF THE COLONY FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 1957 - 1958

Social Service	Administration (Salaries)	Other Expenditure (including travelling, subventions, etc...)	Total	% of the estimated current revenue of the Colony
	Rs	Rs	Rs	
Public Assistance	585,104	7,978,475*	8,563,579	7.0
Social Welfare	225,155	406,823	631,978	0.5
Prisons & Industrial School	950,735	711,100	1,661,835	1.4
Health	5,666,534	7,645,623	13,312,157	10.9
Education	12,584,727	4,711,549	17,296,276	14.1
TOTAL	20,012,255	21,453,570	41,465,825	33.9

* Includes Old Age Pensions.

GOVERNMENT CAPITAL EXPENDITURE PROGRAMME

The Mauritius Development and Welfare 10-year plan was originally designed to cover the period 1946 - 1956. The plan was revised in 1950 and subsequently modified in 1955. On the 30th June, 1955 the first project was considered completed and a new five-year plan was instituted with the renewal of the United Kingdom Colonial Development and Welfare Acts.

On the 11th October 1957 an Economic Planning Committee of the Executive Council was appointed with a view to formulating a programme of Capital expenditure covering the five-year period July 1957 to June 1962. An interim report approved by the Legislative Council on the 13th December, 1957 was the start of this new five-year plan.

On the 1st of July 1957 the balances of the previous allocations were made available to start the new plans. These balances amounted to Rs 40,123,000 as detailed hereunder:

Source	Available balance Rs 000
Colony's Funds	
Reserve Fund	22,000
Development & Welfare Fund	8,970
Colonial Development & Welfare Allocation	9,136
Loan Funds	17
Total	40,123

The expenditure as envisaged in the original ten-year plan was Rs 109,232,000 and the actual expenditure for the 9 years ending 30th June 1955 totalled Rs 84,472,000. In the modified plan the total estimated expenditure for the period 1955-60 was Rs 149,779,000+ whilst the actual expenditure for the two years ending 30th June, 1957 was Rs 52,374,000+.

+See next page.

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURE FOR THE PERIOD

1955 - 1960

ALLOCATION	Estimated Total Expenditure 1955 - 60	Actual Expenditure 1955 - 56	Actual Expenditure 1956- 57	Balance to be spent
	Rs 000	Rs 000	Rs 000	Rs 000
Governance				
District Administration	214	30	13	171
Police	5,649	769	422	4,458
Printing	120	-	-	120
Prisons	307	44	69	194
Registrar General	240	-	-	240
Local Government	7,000	300	360	6,340
Customs & Excise	110	53	47	10
Treasury	90	-	21	69
Total - Governance	13,730	1,196	932	11,602
Social Services				
Co-operation	550	64	98	388
Education	16,045	2,446	4,408	9,191
Housing loans, urban	8,616	1,416	2,021	5,179
Health	13,924	1,498	1,810	10,616
Public Assistance	240	23	73	144
Subventions to Charitable Institutions	300	-	-	300
Social Welfare	80	-	-	80
Total - Social Services	39,755	5,447	8,410	25,898
Public Utilities & Services				
Agriculture	15,977	1,703	3,283	10,991
Fisheries	250	-	-	250
Civil Aviation	261	183	3	75
Telecommunications	5,860	269	769	4,822
Fire Services	958	135	42	781
Forests	791	255	221	315
Harbour and Quays	10,288	88	89	10,111
Broadcasting	750	41	17	692
Observatory	655	92	112	451
Posts & Telegraphs	449	-	223	226
Water Supplies & Irrigation	14,495	6,024	3,050	5,421
Sewerage	2,770	119	216	2,435
Total - Public Utilities & Services	53,504	8,909	8,025	36,570
Investment				
Public Works Miscellaneous	6,815	533	1,170	5,112
Roads	9,600	2,196	1,934	5,470
Electricity	17,975	11,041	2,354	4,580
Secondary Industries	1,400	-	227	1,173
Total - Investment	35,790	13,770	5,685	16,335
TOTAL	142,779	29,322	23,052	90,405
Reserve	7,000	-	-	7,000
GRAND TOTAL	149,779	29,322	23,052	97,405

MUNICIPALITY OF PORT LOUIS+

Estimated population on 31st December, 1957 = 82,900

Local Government

R E V E N U E	Calendar year 1956	Calendar year 1957	E X P E N D I T U R E	Calendar year 1956	Calendar year 1957
Rate on Immovable Properties (0.8 - 2.0%)	991,013	1,271,455	Public Debt	347,175	531,374
			Pensions and Gratuities	208,338	170,135
Tenant's Tax	124,905	99,644	The Mayor and Council	29,220	29,041
Government Contribution	520,424	481,200	Establishments	207,743	195,169
			Municipal Services	928,079	1,147,230
Rents	308,508	315,250	Public Recreation & Education	30,484	31,447
Electricity	85,231@	-	Electricity	232,138	56,598
Water Supply	178,580	183,580	Fire Brigade	344,443	350,280
			Special Expenditure	91,700	75,825
Entertainment Duty	105,647	103,070	Miscellaneous	47,922	42,139
Miscellaneous	252,447	247,684	Closing Balance	99,513	72,642
	2,566,755	2,701,883		2,566,755	2,701,883

+Strictly within Municipal limits.

@20 days' takings ending on the 20.1.56, date on which the Electricity Service was transferred to the Central Electricity Board.

TOWN COUNCIL OF BEAU BASSIN - ROSE HILL

Estimated township population on 31st December, 1957 = 33,600

R E V E N U E	Financial year ended 30.6.1957	Financial year ended 30.6.1958	E X P E N D I T U R E	Financial year ended 30.6.1957	Financial year ended 30.6.1958
Rate Revenue	335,000	390,000	Pensions & Compassionate Allowances	43,700	23,774
Tenants' Tax	18,000	6,500	Administration	166,071	148,270
Licences	11,250	11,250	Social Services@	270,354	299,167
Entertainment Duty	25,000	30,000	Public Utilities and Services	244,563	355,002
Excess Revenue: Markets and Slaughter Houses	86,118	50,580	Miscellaneous	7,000	-
Sale of Land and Buildings	15,500	-			
Government Contribution	186,888	371,264	Surplus Balance	-	33,381
Surplus Balance	53,932	-			
	731,688	859,594		731,688	851,594

@Include Sanitary Services and Public Entertainment.

TOWN COUNCIL OF CUREPIPE

Estimated township population on 31st December, 1957 = 26,250

R E V E N U E	Financial year ended 30.6.1957	Financial year ended 30.6.1958	E X P E N D I T U R E	Financial year ended 30.6.1957	Financial year ended 30.6.1958
Rate Revenue	420,000	480,000	Pensions and Compassionate Allowances	61,757	85,032
Tenants' Tax	60,000	60,000	Administration	148,217	72,811
Licences	4,000	4,000	Social Services[@]	213,797	127,537
Entertainment Tax	63,000	63,000	Public Utilities & Services	450,385	407,449
Miscellaneous	6,400	6,000	Miscellaneous	10,000	10,000
Rent of Council's Properties	4,000	3,000	Debt Charges	-	31,770
Excess Revenue: Theatre	10,500	-	Housing Scheme Net Debit	10,109	20,273
Hire Purchase of Buildings	-	4,137	Refunds	-	40,000
Debt Charges	-	29,651	Revenue Equalization Fund	-	32,655
Sale of Land & Buildings	54,215	60,066	Capital Account	50,000	37,700
Government Contribution	144,840	156,923	Surplus Balance	-	1,500
Surplus Balance	177,310	-			
	944,265	866,777		944,265	866,777

[@] Include Sanitary Services and Public Entertainment.

TOWN COUNCIL OF QUATRE BORNES

Estimated township population on 31st December 1957 = 20,650

R E V E N U E	Financial year ended 30.6.1957	Financial year ended 30.6.1958	E X P E N D I T U R E	Financial year ended 30.6.1957	Financial year ended 30.6.1958
Rate Revenue	215,000	209,000	Pensions and Compassionate Allowances	5,116	4,516
			Administration	74,207	93,962
Tenants' Tax	25,000	15,000	Social Services	76,301[@]	91,500
Licences	7,000	7,000	Public Utilities and Services	265,096	271,786
			Miscellaneous	4,000	4,000
Excess Revenue: Theatre & Town Hall	5,721	4,832	Housing Scheme account	5,735	-
			Capital Account	-	65,000
Government Contribution	169,324	320,848	Revenue Equalization Fund	-	19,056
			Surplus Balance	1,590	6,860
	432,045	556,680		432,045	556,680

[@] Include Sanitary Services and Public Entertainment.

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	32,971,853	81	1,996,428	34,968,281
1940	51,607,586	126	2,179,602	53,787,188
1941	52,825,931	129	2,420,044	55,245,975
1942	62,372,994	153	2,972,517	65,345,511
1943	57,709,112	141	3,450,197	61,159,309
1944	46,452,857	114	4,673,487	51,126,344
1945	45,951,025	113	4,516,256	50,467,281
1946	79,002,383	198	5,813,192	84,815,575
1947	111,658,797	273	6,490,700	118,149,497
1948	133,657,301	327	6,435,766	140,093,067
1949	151,433,186	371	7,080,562	158,513,748
1950	182,434,053	447	7,861,440	190,295,493
1951	219,337,613	537	7,133,770	226,471,383
1952	230,451,162	564	7,178,694	237,629,856
1953	265,632,103	650	8,053,264	273,685,367
1954	250,807,067	614	8,281,030	259,088,097
1955	262,961,068	644	8,608,309	271,569,377
1956	299,774,552	734	9,090,528	308,865,080
1957@	290,862,000	712	8,838,000	299,700,000

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

@Estimated.

BANKS' AVERAGE RATE OF EXCHANGE

Currency	Selling Rate	Buying Rate
	Rs	Rs
£	13.400	13.200
franc	0.012	0.010
U.S. $	4.820	4.725

NOTES AND COINS IN CIRCULATION

	Notes	Coins
	Rs	Rs
During 1st quarter 1957	54,395,000	3,658,400
During last quarter 1957	61,500,000	3,857,000

TRENDS IN CIRCULATION OF CURRENCY

30th June	Notes and Coins Rs	Ratio to prewar
1937-1939 (average)	11,142,490	100
1949	31,226,835	280
1950	34,726,835	312
1951	37,135,407	336
1952	45,673,000	410
1953	51,443,400	462
1954	54,105,400	486
1955	54,108,400	486
1956	52,670,637	473
1957	56,557,000	508

BANKING STATISTICS

PARTICULARS OF TRADING BANKS IN MAURITIUS

STATEMENT AS AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1957.

(Unit = Rs 000)

L I A B I L I T I E S		A S S E T S	
1. Notes in circulation	-	1. Cash	6,938
2. Deposits:		2. Balances due by other banks in the Colony	1,814
(i) Demand	127,133	3. Balances due from Banks abroad	113,885
(ii) Time	32,148	4. Loans & Advances:	
(iii) Savings	6,284	(a) Primary Production (including processing of primary products)	11,988
3. Balances due to:		(b) Other Industries (including Commerce and Distribution)	18,202
(a) Other Banks in the Colony	2,558	(c) Other Advances	25,092
(b) Banks abroad	1,832	5. Investments:	
4. Other Liabilities etc.	18,605	(a) Local	5,500
		(b) Other	2,000
		6. Other Assets	3,141
Total Liabilities	188,560	Total Assets	188,560

MAURITIUS POST OFFICE 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	6,815,120
1939	42,896	2,233,886	2,189,713	7,053,802
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	8,945,238	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
1956	90,293	14,222,145	17,073,231	27,392,394
1957	91,548	13,398,547	14,225,340	27,205,153

BANK DEPOSIT FIGURES

30th June	Post Office Savings Bank	Trading Banks	Total
	Rs	Rs	Rs
1943	8,917,074	31,889,362	40,806,436
1944	12,122,810	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	40,975,158	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	56,978,356	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
1956	27,392,394	125,409,854	152,802,248
1957	27,205,153	133,811,092	161,016,245

TREASURY

The deposits as at 30.6.57 amounted to Rs 5,401,801.

CO-OPERATIVE CENTRAL BANK LIMITED

The total deposits as at 30.6.57 amounted to Rs 2,137,648.

FRIENDLY SOCIETIES

The total deposits as at 31.12.57 amounted to Rs 1,641,745.

+Bank pays interest at the rate of 2½%.

MAURITIUS AGRICULTURAL BANK

1. Agricultural Bank loans issued and outstanding:

	Agricultural		Housing		Industrial		Total	
	Number	Amount(Rs)	Number	Amount(Rs)	Number	Amount(Rs)	Number	Amount (Rs)
Loans issued								
at 31.12.50	438	24,686,485	-	-	-	-	438	24,686,485
In 1951	41	2,737,700	81	1,528,690	1	200,000	123	4,466,390
" 1952	26	4,543,500	141	2,188,640	1	57,000	168	6,789,140
" 1953	20	4,417,890	122	1,913,140	-	18,000	142	6,349,030
" 1954	16	1,432,890	174	1,655,847	1	4,900	191	3,093,727
" 1955	14	1,273,490	165	1,543,220	-	-	179	2,816,710
" 1956	23	1,329,300	162	1,391,090	-	-	185	2,720,390
" 1957	30	1,287,080	152	1,199,880	1	300,000	183	2,786,960
at 31.12.57	608	41,708,335	997	11,420,507	4	579,990	1,609	53,708,832
Loans outstanding at 31.12.57	302	25,923,659	919	8,767,781	4	413,508	1,225	35,104,948

MAURITIUS AGRICULTURAL BANK (continued)

2. GOVERNMENT LOANS:

(a) The Hurricane Loans Ordinance 1945

	Outstanding as at 31.12.57	
	Number of loans	Amount Rs
(i) Repairs to Industrial buildings	48	1,869,896
(ii) Replantation of sugar-cane lands	159	6,781,453
(iii) Rebuilding & Repairing houses	203	92,469
(b) The Sugar Industry (Rehabilitation of factories & Rolling Stock) Ord. 24/48)	27	3,123,339
(c) The Aloe Fibre Industry (Development loan) Ord. 72/52:		
(i) for aloe plantations	7	84,370
(ii) for aloe factories	7	123,325
	Total	12,074,852

Mortgages subscribed by small planters at the Mauritius Agricultural Bank as at 31st December, 1957:

Number of loans ... 179
Amount outstanding ... Rs 1,409,111*

*Out of which Rs 188,083.- due for loans under the Hurricane Loan Ordinance, 1945.

Estimated Indebtedness of the Sugar Industry+ - 30th April, 1957

			In Rupees
1. Amount due on Hurricane loan 1931 (Ordinance 16 of 1931) ...			629,935
2. Amount due on Hurricane Loan 1945 (Ordinance 2 of 1945)			
(i) Art. 6(1) (a) Buildings	1,920,949		
(ii) Art. 6(1) (b) Plantations	7,535,855		9,456,804
3. Rehabilitation Loan (Ord. 24 of 1948)			3,179,427
4. Amount due to the Mauritius Agricultural Bank			24,540,964
5. Other Mortgages: Factory Estates	6,431,631		
Planters (Estimate)	3,500,000		9,931,631
		Total	47,648,761

+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 aloe, cane and forestry.

THE CYCLONE AND DROUGHT INSURANCE FUND

(Sugar Industry)

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1957

EXPENDITURE	Rs.	INCOME	Rs.
Management Expenses	57,196	Premium	14,604,204
		General Reserve Fund	317,538
Surplus for the year	17,903,413	Interests and dividends	3,038,867
	17,960,609		17,960,609

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1957

LIABILITIES	Rs	ASSETS	Rs
Capital Account		Cash at Bank	31,799,376
Balance 1st January, 1957	97,194,012	Office furniture & fixtures	12,904
Surplus for the year	17,903,413	Investments	90,142,321
Surplus on revaluation of securities	6,857,376	Miscellaneous	200
	121,954,801		121,954,801

The Balance to the credit of the Cyclone and Drought Insurance Fund at the end of each of the last 10 years is given in the following table:

Balance as at 31st December	Rs
1948	9,827,420
1949	16,081,154
1950	22,971,379
1951	30,182,163
1952	44,553,372
1953	61,384,576
1954	75,026,793
1955	83,221,288
1956	97,194,012
1957	121,954,801

THE BALANCE OF PAYMENTS 1955 - 1957

Unit = Rs 1,000

	1955+			1956+			1957*		
	Credit	Debit	Balance	Credit	Debit	Balance	Credit	Debit	Balance
CURRENT TRANSACTIONS									
Goods and Services	285,529	280,831	+ 4,698	324,374	254,952	+ 69,422	360,820	298,179	+ 62,641
Donations	2,879	5,927	- 3,048	6,380	4,691	+ 1,689	3,549	6,014	- 2,465
Total	288,408	286,758	+ 1,650	330,754	259,643	+ 71,111	364,369	304,193	+ 60,176
CAPITAL TRANSACTIONS									
Private capital movements	115	6,547	- 6,432	-	7,978	- 7,978	2,650	23,058	- 20,408
Official and Banking Institutions	37,732	31,125	+ 6,607	22,397	69,134	- 46,737	1,749	51,293	- 49,544
Total	37,847	37,672	+ 175	22,397	77,112	- 54,715	4,399	74,351	- 69,952
GRAND TOTAL	326,255	324,430	+ 1,825	353,151	336,755	+ 16,396	368,768	378,544	- 9,776

+Final figures

*Provisional figures.

GROSS CAPITAL FORMATION EVALUATIONS 1953 - 1957

Unit = Rs 1,000

Year	Total	Purchase[@] of capital goods and equipment of foreign origin	Domestic production of capital goods and equipment	New constructions and public works[+]	Capital sunk in plantations[*] and silviculture
1953	90,582	38,480	2,115	47,163	2,824
1954	75,797	23,792	2,600	46,600	2,805
1955	85,947	40,300	2,500	41,284	1,863
1956	79,009	26,710	2,500	47,825	1,974
1957	90,587	36,514	3,020	47,853	3,200

[@]Exclusive of durable consumer goods but inclusive of transport and installation costs.

[+]Inclusive of present cost of works in progress and enterprises and works for public utilities and services.

[*]i.e. new plantations or extensions and improvements of existing ones. It does not include the working capital expended on periodical replanting and upkeeping existing plantations.

GROSS CAPITAL FORMATION - 1957

Unit = Rs 1,000

Industrial Distribution (I.S.I.C.)+	Total	Purchase of capital goods and equipment of foreign origin	Domestic production of capital goods and equipment	New Constructions and public works	Capital sunk in plantations and silviculture
0. Agriculture	6,882	3,178	-	504	3,200
1. Mining and Quarrying	-	-	-	-	-
2-3. Manufacturing	19,659	16,639	3,020	-	-
4. Construction	45,538	715	-	44,823	-
5. Public Utilities	4,194	1,723	-	2,471	-
6. Commerce	555	555	-	-	-
7. Transport, storage and communication	12,723	12,723	-	-	-
8. Services	1,036	981	-	55	-
TOTAL	90,587	36,514	3,020	47,853	3,200

+International Standard Industrial Classification of all economic network.

NATIONAL INCOME 1948 - 1957

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 - 1957:-

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	598	583
1954	257	587	576
1955	267	606	594
1956	304	644	621
1957@	299	653	630

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

≠at factor cost.

@provisional.

NATIONAL INCOME AT CONSTANT PRICES

Calendar year	National income at 1948 prices Rs 1 mn.	Per capita income at constant prices (1948) Rs	Index
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	410	746	107
1956	403	709	101
1957 @	406	692	99

@provisional.

GROSS AND NET NATIONAL PRODUCT[@] 1957

		Rs Mn.
1.	Agriculture, forestry, hunting & fishing	191
2.	Mining and Quarrying	-
3.	Manufacturing	149
4.	Construction	30
5.	Electricity, water and sanitary services	11
6.	Transportation, storage & communication	87
7.	Wholesale and Retail Trade	58
8.	Banking, Insurance and Real Estate	9
9.	Ownership of dwellings	44
10.	Public Administration and Defence	16
11.	Services	58
	Gross domestic product (at factor cost)	653
	LESS	
	Provision for the consumption of fixed capital	- 27
	Net domestic product at factor cost	626
	PLUS	
	Net factor income from the rest of the world	+ 4
	Net National Product at factor cost	630

[@] Provisional.

CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES

The number of societies on the Register at the close of the last co-operative year (28th February 1957) was 334 comprising the following types of societies:

Central Bank	...	1
Credit unlimited	...	162
Credit limited	...	3
Marketing	...	7
Thrift and Savings	...	36
Co-operative Union	...	1
Housing	...	4
Federation of Credit Societies		1
Consumers' stores	...	73
Printing	...	1
Transport	...	11
School Savings	...	32
Wholesale	...	1
Better Living	..	1
		334

WORKING CAPITAL*

	1954 - 55		1955 - 56		1956 - 57	
	Mauritius	Rodrigues	Mauritius	Rodrigues	Mauritius	Rodrigues
	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs
1. Central Bank	2,934,207	-	3,052,975	-	3,310,426	-
2. Credit limited	720	2,387	2,148	2,787	2,516	3,147
3. Credit unlimited	4,224,970	48,179	4,289,075	49,326	4,737,347	52,860
4. Consumers' stores	562,108	-	714,388	-	889,652	-
5. Marketing	12,943	-	7,354	-	11,200	-
6. Thrift and Savings	383,457	-	444,312	-	491,651	-
7. Co-operative Union	24,050	-	11,247	-	31,688	-
8. Housing	6,497	-	44,339	-	137,147	-
9. Federation of Credit Societies	62,301	-	67,941	-	69,666	-
10. Printing	29,394	-	31,178	-	33,041	-
11. Transport	119,367	-	139,963	-	180,541	-
12. School Savings	29,621	3,771	34,146	8,357	44,745	9,770
13. Wholesale	163,504	-	223,664	-	275,936	-
14. Betting Living	113	-	117	-	293	-
Total	8,553,252	54,337	9,062,847	60,470	10,215,849	65,777

* Working capital represents total assets less undistributed surplus.

CREDIT SOCIETIES OF UNLIMITED LIABILITY

At the end of February 1957, the number of societies in the oldest field of activity, i.e. credit of the Unlimited Liability type, in active operation in Mauritius was 142 with a membership of 8,795 as against 136 societies with a membership of 8,434 in the previous year; in Rodrigues the number of societies remained at 20 but the membership increased by 3 to 331. The aggregate of loans granted by the societies in Mauritius rose to Rs 4,994,441, an increase of Rs 215,586. In Rodrigues, the loans increased by Rs 3,714 to Rs 48,208. The total sum advanced on credit by the Mauritius Co-operative Central Bank during the year amounted to Rs 4,191,585, representing an increase of Rs 453,813 over the previous year.

While loans are given exclusively for agricultural purposes, there is a certain proportion for purchasing cattle, repairing buildings, freeing land from debt, etc. The great bulk of the loans are naturally made in connection with cane cultivation and have been applied for the purposes of cultivation, purchase of chemical fertilizers and manure, and reaping the crop. Apart from this, in places where the raising of tobacco, tea, foodcrops and vegetables is practised, an appreciable proportion of the available capital has been applied for the purpose of raising these crops.

CLASSIFICATION OF LOANS GRANTED IN UNLIMITED LIABILITY SOCIETIES FOR THE PERIOD 1ST MARCH, 1956 TO 28TH FEBRUARY, 1957.

(Mauritius only)

	No. of Loans	% of total	Amount Rs	% of total
PRODUCTIVE				
1. Cultivation	11,384	94.7	4,662,859	93.7
2. Buying cattle	42	0.3	8,292	0.1
3. Repairing buildings	199	1.6	88,521	1.6
4. Purchasing land	57	0.5	54,115	1.0
5. Paying cost of Notarial Deeds	25	0.2	11,965	0.2
6. Medical aid and others	14	0.1	5,335	0.1
Total	11,721	97.4	4,831,087	96.7
UNPRODUCTIVE				
1. Payment of debts	278	2.3	150,136	3.1
2. Marriage and others	46	0.3	13,218	0.2
Total	324	2.6	163,354	3.3
GRAND TOTAL	12,045	100.0	4,994,441	100.0

Number of members drawing loans during the period 1.3.56 - 28.2.57: 5,055
Number of members indebted as at 28th February, 1957 ... : 4,451
Average size of loans held by members as at 28th February, 1957 : 814.

RATES OF INTEREST CHARGED ON LOANS TO MEMBERS

Rate of Interest %	Number of operating Societies		
	Mauritius	Rodrigues	Total
4	-	3	3
5	-	9	9
6	2	3	5
7	11	2	3
7½	7	-	7
8	49	2	51
8½	6	-	6
9	47	2	49
9½	1	-	1
10	19	-	19

THRIFT AND SAVINGS SOCIETIES

The number of Thrift and Savings Societies on the register during the period 1st March, 1956 to 28th February, 1957 was 35. The total membership was 2,403 whilst the total savings at 28th February, 1957, i.e. the close of the co-operative year, amounted to Rs 291,125.

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

DISTRICT	Number of Societies	No. of Members	Total Savings Rs	Amount withdrawn Rs	Working Capital Rs
Port Louis	2	600	45,088	6,474	153,459
Pamplemousses	7	435	78,188	64,068	75,978
Riviere du Rempart	3	330	116,393	115,210	157,845
Flacq	5	168	20,126	19,914	45,927
Grand Port	8	396	5,486	9,712	16,095
Savanne	2	55	653	172	3,643
Plaines Wilhems	7	397	21,991	33,594	19,112
Black River	1	22	3,200	1,203	1,997
Total	35	2,403	291,125	250,347	474,056

CONSUMERS' SOCIETIES

As at 28th February, 1957, seventy-four co-operative stores were on the Register.

The following is a statement of the business of the Consumers' Societies for the period 1st March, 1956 to the 28th February, 1957:

D I S T R I C T	Number of Stores	Membership	Paid up Share Capital	Total Sales	Net Profit	Reserve Funds
			Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs
Port Louis	4	592	10,404	198,712	3,041	7,853
Pamplemousses	13	1,977	57,504	1,159,235	54,582	56,897
Riviere du Rempart	8	1,231	22,940	499,054	16,095	29,187
Flacq	7	1,040	16,132	358,094	7,709	19,091
Grand Port	6	1,229	20,531	507,497	19,789	16,458
Savanne	7	921	22,162	362,955	14,641	10,217
Plaines Wilhems	19	3,324	87,090	1,432,400	34,447	64,519
Moka	9	1,148	23,600	616,300	28,635	33,196
Black River	1	311	3,341	116,987	4,640	6,309
Total	74	11,773	263,709	5,251,234	183,579	243,727
Wholesale	1	74	89,440	3,968,398	89,389	50,683

MARKETING SOCIETIES

SUGAR CANE

Of the 142 credit societies operating in Mauritius, 141 marketed the sugar crop of their members through the Co-operative Central Bank's broker. The table below gives particulars of sales of cane through the agency of co-operative credit societies; it also shows the sugar yields for the last three crop years.

Crop year	No. of members selling crop canes	Tonnage sold (M/Tons)	Average Extraction per ton	Sugar produced (M/Tons)	Average price per 100 Kgs sugar. (Rs)
1954	6,484	413,315	116.5	31,040	45.87
1955	6,494	391,884	126.1	30,514	44.85
1956	6,084	412,164	129.3	33.803	48.04

In addition, the members of some societies also received a weight of molasses and scums proportionate to the tonnage of their canes. In all other cases the equivalent in sugar of these by-products was paid to them.

GINGER

The only co-operative society now marketing ginger is the Creve Coeur Ginger Marketing Society. The statistics pertaining to that society for each of the last three co-operative years are as follows:-

	1954-1955	1955-1956	1956-1957
No. of Members	378	378	380
Quantity of ginger marketed	128,735 Kgs	70,039 Kgs	164,988 Kgs
Value	Rs 28,514	Rs 22,411	Rs 41,488
Gross Profit	" 232	" 881	" 1,469
Net Profit(+) Net Loss (-)	" + 158	" - 27	" + 164
Reserve	" 2,445	" 2,603	" 2,603

TOBACCO

Members of 9 credit societies engaged in the co-operative marketing of their tobacco crop. The value of leaves thereby sold to the Tobacco Board amounted to Rs 160,000.

TEA

As a result of discussions between co-operative tea growers and the Mauritius Co-operative Agricultural Federation, 6 tea marketing societies of limited liability were formed during the co-operative year 1956-1957, The 164 members of those credit societies cultivated 413 arpents of tea and produced approximately 263 Metric Tons of green leaves in 1956-1957. The sales proceeds of this tea amounted to Rs 148,328.

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 year	Number of Members selling canes	Tonnage of canes sold	Tonnage of sugar received	Average quantum of sugar received per ton of canes	Average price of sugar ex-Sugar Syndicate per 100 Kilos	Amount controlled by Societies
		M/Tons	M/Tons	Kilos	Rs	Rs
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	3,998	197,738	15,941	80.25	32.87	5,240,421
1950	4,588	261,154	20,906	80.05	36.30	7,589,602
1951	5,524	360,542	26,474	73.43	41.19	10,905,446
1952	5,917	374,201	28,282	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	45.87	14,239,082
1955	6,494	391,884	30,514	77.87	44.85	13,687,349
1956	6,084	412,164	33,803	82.03	48.04	15,601,002

CENTRAL BANK

The Mauritius Co-operative Central Bank Limited was registered on the 8th October, 1948, with 97 member societies (89 co-operative credit societies and 8 co-operative stores) and a paid-up share capital of Rs 19,600. At the end of co-operative year 1956-57, the number of member societies was 151 and the paid up share capital Rs 382,500.

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 1954-55, 1955-56 and 1956-57 are as follows:-

	1954 - 1955	1955 - 1956	1956 - 1957
Borrowing rate	5%	4 - 4½%	6%
Lending rate	5½-6%	6 - 7 %	7%
Membership	141	143	151
	Rs	Rs	Rs
Total Assets	2,985,437	2,796,286	3,403,314
Loans granted	3,840,261	3,737,772	4,191,585
Loans recovered	1,620,394	1,390,641	1,639,474
Loans outstanding	2,219,867	2,347,131	2,552,111
Total deposits held	1,689,573	1,921,645	2,112,987
Paid-up Share Capital	284,625	334,273	382,250
Barclays Bank Overdraft	559,936	325,899	258,828
Reserve Fund	341,797	435,447	494,204
Net Profit	51,230	59,388	92,888

CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES

Financial and statistical statement for the period 1st March, 1955 to 28th February, 1957

Type of Society	Number of Societies	Number of Members	ASSETS: Cash in hand and at Bank	Loans due by members and societies	Stock in hand and fixed assets	Investments	Other Items	TOTAL
			Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs
1. Credit (unlimited liability)	162	9,126	717,777	3,668,243	38,621	377,611	68,368	4,870,620
2. Credit (limited liability)	3	68	709	3,508	1,000	-	283	5,500
3. Stores & Canteens	74	11,773	240,824	-	341,737	94,768	366,048	1,043,377
4. Central Bank	1	151	53	2,552,111	241,198	600,000	9,952	3,403,314
5. Wholesale	1	74	74,011	-	232,974	2,900	58,146	368,031
6. Thrift & Savings	35	2,403	331,878	-	-	158,856	4,780	495,514
7. Marketing	7	544	11,366	643	-	-	10	12,019
8. Housing	4	225	24,150	114,304	-	10	1,037	139,501
9. Federation of Credit Societies	1	130	70,425	-	699	846	5,442	77,412
10. Printing	1	837	5,453	-	19,087	-	10,391	34,931
11. Transport	11	512	28,747	-	115,871	800	26,750	172,168
12. Union	1	193	10,614	-	8,637	65,858	4,267	89,376
13. School Savings Bank	32	5,515	56,259	-	-	-	-	55,259
14. Better Living	1	46	232	-	192	-	-	424
TOTAL	334	31,597	1,571,498	6,338,809	1,000,016	1,301,649	555,474	10,767,446

Financial and Statistical Statement for the period 1st March, 1956 to 28th February, 1957 (continued)

	LIABILITIES											
		DEPOSITS		LOANS								
	Share Capital Rs	Non-Members Rs	Members Rs	Co-operative Central Bank Overdraft Rs	Barclays' Bank Overdraft Rs	Government Rs	Suspense Account Rs	Sundry Creditors Rs	Reserve Funds Rs	Other Items Rs	Excess of Assets over Liabilities Rs	TOTAL Rs
1	484,067	39,100	190,634	2,512,704	11,530	24,110	331,804	169,161	1,004,001	20,932	82,568	4,870,620
2	3,066	102	686	-	-	-	-	-	1,479	47	120	5,500
3	263,704	-	3,607	-	-	-	-	51,087	527,178	20,048	177,753	1,043,377
4	382,521	-	2,112,988	-	258,828	-	-	146,888@	409,201	-	92,888	3,403,314
5	89,440	-	-	-	-	-	-	100,927	85,569	-	92,095	368,031
6	-	-	474,056	-	-	-	114	-	6,206	11,254	3,884	495,514
7	4,827	-	-	-	-	-	3,452	14	2,603	304	819	12,019
8	4,010	-	18,867	-	-	112,470	-	693	969	138	2,354	139,501
9	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,303	-	67,517	846	7,746	77,412
10	28,144	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	4,887	-	1,890	34,931
11	136,300	-	-	5,308	-	-	-	11,569	3,975	1,929	13,087	172,168
12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,688	30,000	-	57,688	89,376
13	-	-	53,218	-	-	-	6	-	1,071	220	744	55,259
14	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	213	80	131	424
	1,396,079	39,211	2,854,056	2,518,012	270,358	136,580	336,689	482,027	2,144,869	55,798	533,767	10,767,446

@ of which Rs 140,000 Sugar Industry Labour Welfare Fund.

REGISTRATION

	YEAR		
	1955	1956	1957
Amount of duties collected	Rs 2,936,459	Rs 2,713,358	Rs 4,199,418

SUCCESSIONS

	YEAR								
	1955			1956			1957		
	POPULATION								
	G	I-M	T	G	I-M	T	G	I-M	T
Number of declarations	216	390	606	209	408	617	285	348	633
Total amount of duties (000 Rupees)	449	146	595	1,334	99	1,433	479	188	666

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

MORTGAGES

	YEAR		
	1955	1956	1957
No. of inscriptions	4,084	4,297	4,609
Sums secured by inscriptions enrolled	Rs 34,287,119	Rs 32,629,366	Rs 37,099,021
Duties and fees collected	77,634	100,658	85,073

ARCHIVES

	YEAR		
	1955	1956	1957
Number of books and periodicals deposited	613	644	846
Fees collected	Rs 11,119	Rs 17,609	Rs 17,173

REGISTERED COMPANIES

On the 31st December, 1957, the Register of Companies contained the names of 493 concerns, enumerated as follows:-

Private companies*	...	331
Public companies+	...	81
Foreign companies	...	81
		493

SALES OF LAND (value):

Sales to	General Population . .	Rs 31,892,320
	Indo-Mauritian Population	Rs 18,294,696.

SALES OF REAL PROPERTY:

	1 9 5 5		1 9 5 6		1 9 5 7	
	No.of sales	Value Rs	No. of sales	Value Rs	No. of sales	Value Rs
Acquired by:						
General Population	1,129	11,764,949	938	9,414,742	949	31,892,320
Indo-Mauritian Population	4,333	16,382,645	4,031	18,992,435	4,332	18,284,696

BANKRUPTCY

Number of Bankruptcy Notices brought before Court	128
Number of Bankruptcy Notices struck out	46
Number of Bankruptcy Notices referred to Court	16
Number of Bankruptcy Notices dealt with by the Court	66

*A private company is one which by its articles:

(a) restricts the rights to transfer its shares;

(b) limits the number of its members to fifty;

(c) 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 1.1.57 to 31.12.57 distributed according to value of licence.

Value of licence	Number of trade licences	% distribution on total of trade licences	Liquor Licenses
Rs			
2.50	171	1.7	-
7.50	94	0.9	-
10.00	2,969	29.5	-
15.00	2,107	20.9	-
25.00	389	3.9	41
40.00	181	1.8	-
45.00	34	0.3	-
50.00	334	3.3	7
55.00	12	0.1	-
60.00	2,947	29.3	-
75.00	513	5.1	61
100.00	94	0.9	1,809
125.00	31	0.3	73
150.00	136	1.4	1,129
175.00	-	-	37
200.00	55	0.6	-
250.00	5	-	-
375.00	-	-	-
500.00	-	-	5
Total	10,072	100.0	3,162

The percentage of liquor licences to total number of licences issued was 24.

CLASSIFICATION OF TAXABLE INCOMES

INCOMES		NUMBER OF CASES - 1956-57	
exceeding	but not exceeding	Individuals	Companies
Rs	Rs		
1	5,000	3,856	62
5,001	10,000	858	16
10,001	15,000	373	8
15,001	25,000	312	14
25,001	50,000	204	23
50,001	100,000	90	17
100,001	250,000	32	9
250,001	500,000	1	2
500,001	750,000	-	7
750,001	1,000,000	-	5
	Over 1,000,000	-	13
	Total	5,726	176

These figures refer only to those individuals and companies who actually paid tax or were assessed for the year 1956-1957.

TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATION

OVERSEAS SHIPPING

	Vessels entering the port during the year		Vessels leaving the port during the year	
	Number	Tonnage	Number	Tonnage
British & Foreign				
Steam Vessels	329	1,290,459	325	1,272,564
Coasting				
Steam Vessels	27	14,497	27	14,169

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	41	60	101	225	1	226
France	337	393	730	350	397	747
Other European Countries	1	26	27	-	50	50
British East Africa[x]	95	417	512	163	408	571
Union of South Africa	589	318	907	510	370	880
Portuguese East Africa	-	-	-	69	-	69
India	35	9	44	7	-	7
Ceylon	25	-	25	51	-	51
Hong-Kong	147	-	147	50	-	50
Singapore	21	-	21	27	-	27
Australia	9	65	74	2	94	96
Seychelles	31	-	31	41	-	41
Madagascar	354	756	1,110	303	799	1,102
Réunion	307	2,262	2,569	329	2,213	2,542
China	30	-	30	67	-	67
Other countries	9	20	29	18	16	34
Rodrigues	1,111	-	1,111	1,050	-	1,050
Other Dependencies	405	-	405	430	-	430
Total	3,547	4,326	7,873	3,692	4,348	8,040

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

+Excluding 268 discharged seamen and 1,907 air passengers in transit.

@Excluding 268 engaged seamen and 1,907 air passengers in transit.

IMMIGRATION, EMIGRATION AND TRAVEL

Of the total number of persons who entered and left the Colony during the year, 110 were immigrants and 174 emigrants.

1,375 passports were issued by the Police, 371 were renewed and 184 were visaed.

GROSS TONNAGE OF MERCHANDISE HANDLED IN PORT LOUIS HARBOUR+

In Metric Tons

Year	Exports@	Imports	Total
1938	309,000	219,000	528,000
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
1956	620,000	351,000	971,000
1957	682,000	384,000	1,066,000

NUMBER OF VESSELS REGISTERED AT THE PORT OF PORT LOUIS AT THE BEGINNING OF 1957

	Number	Tonnage
Motor vessels	3	2,979
Sailing vessels	4	88
Steam vessels	2	1,303

HARBOUR

Number of transport vessels and crafts used in Port Louis Harbour

(a) By Ships' Agents, Docks, lighterage and Stevedoring Companies:

Lighters	. . . . .	144
Tugs	. . . . .	10
Water boats	. . . . .	3
Launches	. . . . .	15

(b) By Government Departments:

Harbour and Quays:	Tugs	. . .	5
	Launches	. . .	2
	Plying boats	. . .	4
Customs & Excise :	Launches	. . .	2
Police :	Launch	. . .	1
Medical Services :	Plying Boat	. . .	1
(c) Public Carriers :	Launches	. . .	23
	Plying boats	. . . .	13

Gross tonnage handled at the Granary:

Commodities	(Imported	. . .	66,770 M/Tons
	(Local	. . .	Nil

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

@Includes bunker fuel.

A I R S E R V I C E S

AIR TRAFFIC: PLAISANCE AIRPORT

Type of Aircraft Movement	NUMBER OF MOVEMENTS		
	Landings	Take-offs	TOTAL
Scheduled Services	167	168	335
Non-Scheduled Transport	8	8	16
Other Commercial	-	-	-
Test Training	-	-	-
Private	-	-	-
Military (British & Foreign)	6	6	12
Other non-commercial	-	-	-
All movements	181	182	363
Diverted movements (included in the above figures)	-	-	-

PASSENGER TRAFFIC BY AIR

	Number		Category by age			Nationality		TOTAL
	Males	Females	Infant	Child	Adult	British	Foreign	
INWARDS								
Air France	2,446	1,459	25	387	3,493	1,983	1,922	3,905
Qantas Empire Airways	229	105	2	21	311	215	119	334
South African Airways	39	12	-	2	49	21	30	51
Total	2,714	1,576	27	410	3,853	2,219	2,071	4,290@
OUTWARDS								
Air France	2,390	1,457	14	333	3,500	1,915	1,932	3,847
Qantas Empire Airways	247	168	2	37	376	255	160	415
South African Airways	37	13	-	4	46	25	25	50
Total	2,674	1,638	16	374	3,922	2,195	2,117	4,312@

AIR LINE	PASSENGER TRAFFIC+ (INWARDS AND OUTWARDS)							TOTAL
	British Isles	France	British E. Africa	South Africa	Australia	Madagascar & Reunion	Other Countries	
Air France	0.7	9.2	9.6	-	-	69.5	1.1	90.1
Qantas Empire Airways	-	-	-	6.8	1.9	-	-	8.7
South African Airways	-	-	-	1.2	-	-	-	1.2

@This figure excludes 1,907 passengers in transit, and 36 passengers who travelled by Special Military Planes.

+% of total passengers carried by air.

SUMMARY OF TRAFFIC HANDLED

Aerodrome: Plaisance Airport

TYPE OF TRAFFIC		TYPE OF AIR TRANSPORT MOVEMENT[2]							
		SCHEDULED		NON-SCHEDULED		MILITARY TRANSPORT		ALL AIR TRANSPORT	
		Set down	Picked up	Set down	Picked up	Set down	Picked up	Set down	Picked up
Loads Set down & Picked up	Passengers+	4,290	4,312	-	-	36	36	4,326	4,348
	Commercial Freight[1] (kilos)	42,198	64,288	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	42,198	64,288
	Post Office Mail (Kilos)	23,098	8,267	-	-	-	-	23,098	8,267
Loads in transit[3]	Passengers+	1,907		-		-		1,907	

NOTE: Commercial freight set down excludes baggage (77,868 kgs) and Diplomatic Mail (1,120 Kgs).
Commercial freight picked up excludes baggage (78,264 kgs) and Diplomatic Mail (583 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.

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

INTERNAL COMMUNICATIONS

RAILWAYS

MILEAGE TABLE

		Main lines (miles)	Range of levels (feet)
MIDLAND:	Port Louis to Mahebourg	$35\frac{1}{4}$+	Sea level to 1,800
NORTH :	Port Louis to Grand River South East	31	" " " 280
MOKA :	Rose Hill to St. Pierre	$4\frac{3}{4}$	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 vehicles@	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
1956	47	134	659
1957	47	123	659

@ 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	Passenger 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
1956	614,396	18,613	3,189,268	288,207	35,593
1957	24,344*	...	...	...	...

* Passenger transport services were suppressed as from the 31st March, 1956; the figures here relate to a special passenger train service operated on the occasion of the visit of Her Royal Highness Princess Margaret.

GROSS TRAFFIC

Year ended 30th June	RAIL					ROAD
	Sugar	Sugar canes	General Merchandise	TOTAL	Goods train mileage	Sugar and general merchandise
	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons	Miles	Tons
1947	282,762	72,647	107,344	462,753	126,163	40,527
1948	329,998	69,501	100,731	500,230	129,872	37,725
1949	373,982	21,164	91,474	486,620	126,849	38,373
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	5,228	82,005	496,829	121,683	81,657
1953	399,360	4,423	66,328	470,111	121,102	79,163
1954	431,427	3,432	55,806	490,665	117,875	82,598
1955	418,444	2,394	50,674	471,512	120,513	77,744
1956	444,200	1,968	46,034	492,202	118,603	88,308
1957	477,795	1,864	50,623	530,282	117,540	91,713

The total freight gross ton-miles for the year ended 30th June, 1957 was 21,117,223

PERCENTAGE DISTRIBUTION OF THE TONNAGE OF GOODS TRAFFIC BY RAIL

Year ended 30th June	Sugar	Sugarcanes	General Merchandise
	%	%	%
1947	61.1	15.7	23.2
1948	66.0	13.9	20.1
1949	76.9	4.3	18.8
1950	80.4	2.9	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
1956	90.2	0.4	9.4
1957	90.1	0.4	9.5

COAL AND LUBRICATING OIL CONSUMPTION+

Consumption of coal by railways	...	10,261	metric tons
" " " per train mile	...	86.2	kgs
" " " per engine mile	...	53.5	"
" " lubricating oil (engines, carriages & waggons)		44,175	litres

RAILWAY ACCIDENTS+

Injuries to:		Number of cases
Accounts & Stores personnel	...	4
Maintenance of ways and works Branch personnel		261
Transport personnel	...	81
Mechanical Branch personnel	...	239
		585
Cases necessitating reference to Injuries Committee		36

+Period 1st July 1956 to 30th June, 1957.

REVENUE

In the following tables, the Railway operating revenue during the year 1956-57 and in each of the preceding 7 years is classified according to the type of traffic from which it was derived.

Year ended 30th June	RAIL					ROAD	Miscellaneous Receipts	TOTAL RECEIPTS
			GOODS TRAFFIC RECEIPTS					
	Passenger Fares	Parcel Receipts	Sugar	Sugarcanes	General Merchandise	Road traffic receipts		
	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs
1950	503,711	66,070	2,555,009	23,333	257,378	23,051	402,129	3,830,681
1951	373,591	64,367	2,653,298	10,383	239,528	99,259	301,120	3,741,546
1952	305,262	64,792	2,892,670	10,802	350,396	397,037	726,235	4,747,194
1953	298,762	71,226	3,107,165	10,126	311,256	456,472	316,959	4,571,966
1954	234,508	66,516	3,324,651	8,483	279,119	510,349	303,937	4,727,563
1955	155,537	36,507	3,248,095	4,330	253,959	501,987	360,139	4,560,554
1956	76,276	9,785	3,418,283	3,448	226,731	554,068	307,547	4,596,138
1957	7,956	-	3,675,202	3,050	253,630	573,248	254,385	4,767,471

Year ended 30th June	RAIL						ROAD
			AVERAGE RECEIPT PER TON				
	Average Receipt per head	Average Receipt per parcel	Sugar	Sugarcanes	General Merchandise	Receipts per train/mile (goods and passengers)	Average Receipt per ton+
	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs
1950	0.18	0.44	6.51	1.65	3.16	11.33	0.53
1951	0.16	0.47	6.66	2.02	3.57	12.91	0.47
1952	0.15	0.51	7.06	2.07	4.27	18.09	4.44
1953	0.14	0.62	7.78	2.29	4.69	17.26	5.06
1954	0.13	0.65	7.71	2.47	5.00	18.64	5.17
1955	0.14	0.63	7.76	1.81	5.01	20.46	5.39
1956	0.12	0.53	7.70	1.75	4.93	26.21	5.38
1957	0.32	-	7.69	1.63	5.01	33.17	5.35

+ The road traffic is partly farmed out to a contractor whose terms of office have been revised as from 1st July, 1951. As a result of this revision, the figures under this head for 1952 onwards represent gross receipt whereas the figures for previous years represent net receipts.

EXPENDITURE

The operating expenditure under various heads is now given for 1956 - 1957 and each of the previous 7 financial years

Year ended 30th June	Maintenance of ways and works	Mechanical	Transportation	Head Office & General Charges	Miscellaneous	Total Expenditure	Expenditure per train mile
	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs
1950	656,977	447,419	2,188,329	1,544,322	946,793	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	968,869	6,597,679	26.65
1953	776,492	750,000	3,536,451	2,007,588	516,221	7,586,752	30.99
1954	1,116,671	753,034	3,792,791	891,618	395,794	6,949,908	29.61
1955	1,283,122	846,851	3,409,459	365,153	546,997	6,451,582	31.15
1956	1,383,933	798,492	3,107,632	361,930	402,973	6,054,960	37.57
1957	1,418,357	906,079	2,768,307	384,769	398,533	5,876,045	...

SUGAR INDUSTRY - TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT

METAL TRACK				LOCOMOTIVES				WAGGONS		HAULAGE TRACTORS	TRAILERS		LORRIES OR TRUCKS+		ANIMAL DRAWN CARTS+	
GAUGE				TOTAL NO.		TOTAL H.P.										
Maximum	Minimum	Normally used	Total length	Steam	Internal combustion	Steam	Internal combustion	Total number	Total capacity	Total number	Total number	Total capacity	Total number	Total capacity	Total number	Total capacity
cms.	cms.	cms.	kms.						Tons			Tons		Tons		Tons
143.5	60	75 & 80	1,920	80	100	3,900	7,500	8,700	38,000	110	460	2,400	315	1,550	110	90

+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 500 miles of main and 230 miles of branch roads, most of which are suitable for motor traffic. All the roads are metalled and about 390 miles are bitumen coated.

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

At the end of 1957 the number of road vehicles registered in the Colony were:-

Private cars	...	6,155
Private vans	...	161
Jeeps	...	79
Motor cycles	...	769
Commercial vehicles:		
Taxis	...	1,030
Buses	...	430
Lorries	...	1,922
Van carriers	...	353
Haulage tractors	...	165
Colonial Government vehicles		392
	Total	11,456

Passenger Traffic

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

	1945	1950	1955	1956	1957
Buses ...	135	166	309	356	430
Taxis ...	323	608	953	974	1,030

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

1952	...	6,325
1953	...	7,048
1954	...	8,966
1955	...	9,913
1956	...	11,337
1957	...	12,740

The bus industry has now settled down in corporate organisation. At the end of 1957, there were 11 Passenger Bus Transport Companies operating, 10 of which providing regular daily services and 1 distinct company catering for the requirements of tourists and transient air and sea passengers. The total of the 80 licensed route services now operate according to a specified time table. A new tariff of fares was put into force under official authority as from 11th December, 1957. It introduced an average increase in fare of the order of 15 per cent which appeared to be the amount required to put the Companies into a healthier financial position. With the approval of the Licensing Authority the new tariff was based on 8 cents per mile for the first two miles, 4 cents per mile for the following 9 miles and 2 cents per mile for trips beyond this distance.

The average number of passengers utilising the bus service has risen from 100,000 in 1956 to 101,000 in 1957.

Besides, 1,609 licences were granted for Special Route Services in 1957 as compared with 1,886 in the previous year. This class of enterprise however being more remunerative than the ordinary service, special route licences are strictly controlled and licences in this respect are issued only when it is clear that the applicant Company has the means whereby to meet all its obligations.

OPERATIONAL STATISTICS

	No. of Passengers carried	No. of Vehicle Journeys	No. of Vehicle Miles	Receipts Rs.
1957	36,748,076	1,148,503	12,771,046	9,672,018
1956	36,342,308	1,109,856	12,601,072	9,069,753
1955	34,378,937	1,000,528	11,107,917	7,918,804
1954	30,859,712	965,812	9,811,090	7,195,454
Increase from 1956 to 1957:-	405,768	38,647	169,974	602,265
% Increase:	1.1	3.5	1.3	6.6
Daily Averages				
1957	100,680	3,147	34,989	26,499
1956	99,296	3,032	34,429	24,781
1955	94,188	2,741	30,432	21,695
1954	84,547	2,646	26,879	19,713
Increase from 1956 to 1957:	1,384	115	560	1,718

	Average Revenue for	Passenger Journey cents	Vehicle Journey Rs.Cs	Vehicle Mile Cents
1957		32	8.42	76
1956		25	8.17	72
1955		23	7.91	71
1954		23	7.45	73

GOODS TRAFFIC

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

	1945	1950	1955	1956	1957
Lorries	446	1,039	1,989	2,181	2,275

+ including van carriers.

These vehicles are used for the transport of goods from Port Louis and internally throughout 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 machinery and structures are transported by the Government Railways under a protective ordinance.

LICENCES TO DRIVE MOTOR VEHICLES

Number of applicants for a driving licence ...		2,772
Number of new licences issued ...		457
Number of licences issued to learners ...		1,839
Number of licences renewed:-		
Professional drivers ...	7,657*	
Owner drivers ...	5,151*	12,808@
Number of International Driving permits issued ...		316@

* including 527 women @ including 42 to women.

ROAD ACCIDENTS

	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957
Fatal	46	44	53	55	52	69	51
Serious	111	161	79	100	95	128	124
Not serious (but minor injuries to persons)	967	1,167	1,238	1,296	1,387	1,295	1,296
Trifling	1,928	2,442	3,028	3,019	2,854	2,526	1,972
Total	3,052	3,814	4,398	4,470	4,388	4,018	3,443

POSTAL SERVICES

Weight of mail traffic

In Kilograms

Year	SEA		AIR	
	In	Out	In	Out
1953	168,140	15,545	17,414	6,505
1954	184,076	15,763	19,348	6,634
1955	188,736	17,461	19,693	6,660
1956	192,720	15,326	21,796	7,305
1957	228,380	18,640	23,330	8,270

Estimated number of letters etc... dealt with

ARTICLES	Inland	FOREIGN SERVICE		Transit	TOTAL
		Inwards	Outwards		
Prepaid letters	1,169,600	179,020	54,410	2,500	1,405,530
Unpaid letters	5,770	2,480	1,020	-	9,270
Postcards	2,680	5,360	1,260	-	9,300
Commercial Papers	-	8,480	1,120	200	9,800
Printed Papers	920,800	440,800	51,270	5,600	1,418,470
Literature for the blind	-	300	200	-	500
Samples	2,720	11,100	670	100	14,590
Small packets	-	4,180	580	100	4,860
Postal packets admitted post free	1,068,890	3,040	1,580	100	1,073,610
Air mail correspondence	-	1,601,490	1,173,380	-	2,774,870
Total	3,170,460	2,256,250	1,285,490	8,600	6,720,800

Postal Agencies: 75. Telegraph Offices: 47. Money Order Offices: 64 Savings Bank Offices: 31.

TELEPHONE

Number of main exchanges ...	14
Number of subscribers ...	5,602
Individual installations ...	7,690
Number of calls made ..	6,996,763
Number of miles of telephone wires	10,890

BROADCASTING

Number of broadcasting stations ...	1
Number of transmitters ...	2
Aerial output: Shortwave transmitter ..	$1\frac{1}{2}$ kw
Medium wave transmitter ...	5 "
Weekly transmission time ...	$57\frac{1}{2}$ hrs
Number of wireless receiving licenses ...	25,845

MONTHLY AND YEARLY MEANS AND EXTREMES OF THE METEOROLOGICAL ELEMENTS 1957
(ROYAL ALFRED OBSERVATORY, PAMPLEMOUSSES, 55 METRES ABOVE MEAN SEA LEVEL).

MONTH	TEMPERATURES OF THE AIR						RAINFALL	
	Absolute Maximum °C	Absolute Minimum °C	DAILY RANGE Highest °C	DAILY RANGE Lowest °C	Mean of the daily Maxima °C	Mean of the daily Minima °C	Amount recorded by the Dines' Pluviograph mms	Duration Hours
January	33.9	19.4	13.1	3.9	30.1	22.7	185.1	18.5
February	31.2	17.1	12.9	3.0	28.5	22.1	99.0	19.8
March	33.5	19.1	11.8	5.0	30.8	22.9	174.9	25.5
April	29.2	15.8	13.0	3.1	28.3	20.1	127.6	39.7
May	29.3	16.0	11.3	4.3	27.3	19.2	69.1	14.6
June	26.8	12.2	10.0	3.0	25.0	17.6	33.4	20.3
July	25.8	12.1	13.5	4.5	25.4	16.6	33.4	17.5
August	25.8	12.0	12.8	5.6	25.3	16.3	45.7	15.9
September	27.8	13.5	13.2	5.5	26.3	17.1	29.5	13.1*
October	31.0	14.9	16.1	7.0	28.5	17.8	12.7	3.3
November	32.8	13.7	15.5	7.0	30.5	18.7	8.7	2.2
December	34.4	20.6	12.5	6.3	33.0	22.6	109.7	16.6
YEAR	30.1	15.5	-	-	28.3	19.5	928.8	207.0
Maximum	34.4 16th & 17th December	-	16.1 18th October	-	33.0 December	22.9 March	54.7 mms in 14.0 hours on 3rd April	
Minimum	-	12.0 26th & 27th August	-	3.0 7th February 5th June	25.0 June	16.3 August	-	-

*7 days' duration missing, rain gauge driving clock under repairs.

MONTHLY AND YEARLY MEANS AND EXTREMES OF THE METEOROLOGICAL ELEMENTS (continued) YEAR 1957

MONTH	Daily Duration of Bright Sunshine hours	% of Possible Sunshine	Rain over 0.1 mms No. of days	Lightning and/ or thunder No. of days	WIND SPEED IN KNOTS		
					Mean	Highest over a whole hour	Highest Gust
January	9.64	73.3	20	3	5.8	14	27
February	7.08	55.7	14	-	6.5	14	29
March	7.02	60.4	17	2	7.0	15	29
April	7.69	66.3	17	-	8.5	15	29
May	7.78	69.9	18	-	5.4	16	25
June	6.79	62.3	18	-	4.9	15	24
July	7.54	68.5	19	-	6.7	15	25
August	7.11	62.4	20	-	7.9	17	29
September	8.33	69.8	17	-	5.7	15	27
October	9.77	78.1	10	-	4.2	10	25
November	9.61	73.8	7	1	3.1	12	23
December	7.76	60.2	16	1	3.1	12	21
YEAR	8.01	66.7	193	7	5.7	-	-
Maximum	12.7 26th November	97 26th November	-	-	8.5 April	17 August	29 often
Minimum	0.0 often	0.0 often	-	-	3.1 November & December	-	-

TOTAL ANNUAL RAINFALL AT SELECTED STATIONS
(YEAR 1957)

Region	District	STATION	Inches	No. of days
West	Port Louis	Abercrombie Nursery	34.45	149
	Black River	Pierre Fonds	43.37	132
		Palmyre	27.64	69
		Medine	29.41	83
North & North West	Pamplemousses	Botanical Gardens	39.51	126
		La Nicolière	66.32	181
		The Observatory	36.98	192
		California	74.53	110
North & North East	Riviere du Rempart	Labourdonnais	38.42	135
		Mon Loisir	39.76	113
		Ravensworth	52.46	119
		Beau Séjour	40.39	113
Centre	Moka	Alma	97.70	215
		Minissy	65.61	131
		Hermitage	79.87	143
		Mon Désert	70.66	181
		Le Réduit	40.70	174
		Piton du Milieu (Reservoir)	114.58	245
	Plaines Wilhems	Aerological Station	67.67	235
		Mare-aux-Vacoas (Arnaud)	110.86	225
		Réunion	75.56	199
		Bagatelle	60.09	127
		La Marie	78.68	182
		Curepipe Gardens	109.74	...
		Petrin	133.91	270
		Highlands	69.34	170
East	Flacq	Constance	52.15	153
		Sans Souci	144.92	242
		Beau Champ	59.51	138
		Belle Rive	82.35	159
		Trois Ilots	75.40	171
South East	Grand Port	Rose Belle	111.33	216
		New Grove	105.90	179
		Deux Bras	83.63	183
		Union Vale	59.63	183
		Mon Trésor	86.79	153
		Mon Désert Carie	53.93	135
		Sauveterre	49.30	127
		St. Hubert (Cluny)	166.45	126
South	Savanne	Beau Climat	108.26	196
		La Flora	112.66	206
		Britannia	80.37	219
		Savannah	60.36	176
		Combo	79.98	197
		Fontenelle	71.31	164
		Colmar	80.19	169
		Tivoli	133.02	225
		Terracine	64.25	176
		Riche Bois	82.32	219