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*Notes: Any discrepancies in tables between totals and sums of components are due to rounding.*

*n.a.—not yet available.*

*..—nil to less than \$500.*

## CHAPTER 1—INTRODUCTION

Since 1960–61, a paper on Commonwealth payments to the States has been published annually among the Budget documents. From 1974–75 details of Commonwealth Government payments to local government authorities have also been included. This issue is the second to cover payments to the Northern Territory of Australia, which became a self-governing Territory on 1 July 1978, with expenditure responsibilities and revenue raising powers broadly approximating those of a State.

This paper concentrates on providing information on forms of assistance on which Commonwealth expenditure has been incurred in 1978–79 and/or is proposed in 1979–80. The tables cover payments over five years where applicable, that is, the period 1975–76 to 1979–80. Information on earlier years may be found in earlier issues of this paper. The 1975–76 issue of 'Payments to or for the States and Local Government Authorities' includes a consistent series of aggregate figures back to 1956–57.

### *Relationship with Statements Attached to the Budget Speech and Terminology*

In the statements attached to the Budget Speech Commonwealth Government outlays are classified, *inter alia*, in terms of economic type—that is, as to whether they take the form of expenditure on goods and services, cash benefits to persons, payments to other levels of government or transfers to other sectors in the economy. The following table classifies estimated total budget outlays for 1979–80 by economic type and shows the proportion to total of each category:

**Table 1—Budget Outlays—By Economic Type(a) 1979-80**

|   | Amount             | Percentage<br>of Total<br>Outlays |
|---|--------------------|-----------------------------------|
|   | \$ million         | %                                 |
| <i>Net Expenditure on goods and services—</i>                                 | 2 673              | 8.4                               |
| Defence . . . . .   | 3 404              | 10.7                              |
| Other current expenditure . . . . .   | 329                | 1.0                               |
| Capital expenditure . . . . .   | 6 405              | 20.2                              |
| Total . . . . .   |                    |                                   |
| <i>Transfer Payments and Net Advances—</i>                                    |                    |                                   |
| To or for the States, the Northern Territory and Local Government Authorities | 11 608             | 36.6                              |
|   | (Gross)      (Net) |                                   |
|   | \$m            \$m |                                   |
| — the States . . . . .  | 11 431             | 11 152                            |
| — Northern Territory . . . . .  | 442                | 440                               |
| — Local Government Authorities . . . . .                                      | 17                 | 17                                |
| Cash benefits to persons . . . . .  | 10 148             | 32.0                              |
| Interest . . . . .  | 2 180              | 6.9                               |
| Transfers overseas . . . . .  | 500                | 1.6                               |
| Net advances (other than to States) . . . . .                                 | 102                | 0.3                               |
| Other . . . . .   | 750                | 2.4                               |
| Total . . . . .   | 25 287             | 79.8                              |
| TOTAL OUTLAYS (estimated) . . . . .   | 31 692             | 100.0                             |

(a) For further details and explanations see Statement No. 1 attached to the Budget Speech.

This paper provides details of those budget outlays classified as transfer payments and net advances to or for the States, the Northern Territory and local government authorities—that is, Commonwealth assistance to other spheres of government in Australia. Payments in this category comprise payments to the States and the Northern Territory, payments made direct to local government authorities and the State Governments' Loan Council borrowing program. These payments are estimated at \$11 608 million in 1979–80, which is 36.6 per cent of estimated total Commonwealth budget outlays.

In the statements attached to the Budget Speech, outlays are also classified according to function—that is, outlays having like purposes or objectives are brought together under the one functional heading. Table 2 below classifies on a functional basis the transfer payments and net advances to or for other levels of government which are covered in this paper.

**Table 2—Functional Classification of Payments to or for the States, State Governments' Loan Council Programs, The Northern Territory and Payments Made Direct to Local Government Authorities, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (Net Basis (a)) (\$ thousands)**

| Functional Classification   | 1975-76   | 1976-77   | 1977-78    | 1978-79    | 1979-80    | Increase                   |
|---|-----------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|----------------------------|
|   |           |           |            |            | (estimate) | 1979-80<br>over<br>1978-79 |
|   |           |           |            |            |            | %                          |
| Defence . . . . .   | 34 368    | 35 560    | 23 073     | 12 484     | 2 341      | -81.2                      |
| Education . . . . .   | 1 406 025 | 1 669 502 | 1 814 954  | 1 924 595  | 2 064 806  | 7.3                        |
| Health . . . . .  | 1 082 785 | 852 708   | 1 107 196  | 1 132 143  | 1 279 147  | 13.0                       |
| Social Security and Welfare . . . . .   | 234 662   | 102 894   | 115 111    | 100 515    | 107 025    | 6.5                        |
| Housing . . . . .   | 362 883   | 369 072   | 378 003    | 315 122    | 258 253    | -18.0                      |
| Urban and Regional Development<br>n.c.c. and the Environment . . . . .        | 262 907   | 125 088   | 53 462     | 40 618     | 43 316     | 6.6                        |
| Culture and Recreation . . . . .  | 11 737    | 9 705     | 6 145      | 6 223      | 5 523      | -11.2                      |
| Economic Services—  |           |           |            |            |            |                            |
| Transport . . . . .   | 494 765   | 511 706   | 539 250    | 551 847    | 622 221    | 12.8                       |
| Water Supply and Electricity . . . . .  | 46 325    | 33 720    | 3 415      | 279        | 21 614     | 7 647.0                    |
| Industry Assistance and Develop-<br>ment . . . . .                            | 109 608   | 81 865    | 71 985     | 83 357     | 90 195     | 8.2                        |
| Labour and Employment . . . . .   | 6 180     | 12 077    | 13 939     | 13 941     | 11 540     | -17.2                      |
| Total Economic Services . . . . .   | 656 878   | 639 368   | 628 589    | 649 423    | 745 570    | 14.8                       |
| General Public Services . . . . .   | 7 910     | 13 139    | 11 450     | 11 905     | 12 695     | 6.6                        |
| Outlays not allocated to function—  |           |           |            |            |            |                            |
| General Revenue Funds . . . . .   | 3 111 580 | 3 712 594 | 4 331 441  | 4 790 369  | 5 429 500  | 13.3                       |
| State Governments' Loan Council<br>Borrowing Programs . . . . .               | 708 667   | 744 677   | 784 835    | 770 598    | 633 923    | -17.7                      |
| Capital Grants . . . . .  | 430 333   | 452 000   | 477 930    | 477 936    | 415 000    | -13.2                      |
| Assistance Related to State Debts<br>Payments to Northern Territory . . . . . | 47 338    | 46 805    | 48 917     | 51 128     | 56 719     | 10.9                       |
| Assistance for Local Government(b)<br>Natural Disaster Relief . . . . .       | 80 046    | 140 000   | 165 328    | 179 427    | 222 801    | 24.2                       |
|   | 24 961    | 25 865    | 53 157     | 23 572     | -2 229     | -109.5                     |
| Total not allocated to function   | 4 402 925 | 5 121 940 | 5 914 370  | 6 573 360  | 7 089 620  | 7.9                        |
| Grand Total (net basis) . . . . .   | 8 463 080 | 8 938 976 | 10 052 354 | 10 766 390 | 11 608 295 | 7.8                        |

(a) That is, net of repayments of Commonwealth advances and sinking fund contributions on State Governments' Loan Council borrowings.

(b) Comprising grants to the States for local government authorities (recommended by the Commonwealth Grants Commission) and for regional organisations of local government in 1975-76, and general purpose assistance for local government authorities under the personal income tax sharing arrangements from 1976-77.

One of the main distinctions used in this paper is between funds provided to the States, the Northern Territory and local government for *general* purposes (that is, 'untied' funds) and those provided for *specific* purposes (that is, 'tied' funds). All general purpose funds are classified under the 'Not Allocated to Function' heading. Certain forms of specific purpose payments are also classified under that heading, but most of these payments are classified under functional headings. Specific purpose payments are, with a few exceptions, grouped in the following Chapters on this functional basis.

Reference should be made here to the treatment in this and other budget papers of the State Governments' Loan Council borrowing program, which is financed by the issue of Commonwealth Government securities and to which the Commonwealth Government itself subscribes from its own revenue sources, as necessary, to fill the program approved by the Loan Council. The national accounting item 'grants and net advances to the States, the Northern Territory and local government authorities' used in the Statements attached to the Budget Speech and in certain other papers includes this program. *In this paper, the term 'payments to the States' does not include this program;* however, totals of payments to the States and their Loan Council borrowing program are also given and, subject to the point referred to in the next paragraph, these totals are comparable with the totals of grants and net advances to the States included in other budget papers. The treatment of the States' Loan Council program in this paper is explained in more detail in Chapter III.

As the term implies, the national accounting aggregate 'grants and net advances to the States, the Northern Territory and local government authorities' includes Commonwealth Government advances (loans) to the States, the Northern Territory and local government authorities on a *net* basis—that is, after subtracting repayments by the States, the Northern Territory and local government authorities of advances they have received from the Commonwealth Government in earlier years. The national accounting aggregate also includes the States' Loan Council program *net* of sinking fund contributions. The figures for individual items and many of the aggregates referred to in the text or shown in the tables in this paper are on a *gross* basis—that is, before deducting repayments of Commonwealth Government loans or sinking fund contributions on State Loan Council borrowings. Where amounts are on a *net* basis this is specifically indicated. The grand totals in the summary tables in this Chapter and, for example, Tables 84 and 85 in Appendix 1 are on a net basis and are therefore consistent with the national accounting aggregate 'grants and net advances to the States, the Northern Territory and local government authorities' appearing in other budget papers.

#### *Outline of Commonwealth Payments to the States, the Northern Territory and Local Authorities and Format of this Paper*

Payments of various descriptions have been made to the States continuously since Federation. Prior to World War II, these payments were mainly of a marginal character and were confined, for the most part, to special grants to assist the financially weaker States and to certain specific purpose grants such as assistance for roads and for debt charges.

Since World War II and the immediate post-war period there has been a marked increase in the amount and scope of assistance to the States. This has reflected, among other things, increases in the range and variety of governmental activities that have accompanied economic and social developments in this period of rapid growth of the Australian economy; greater participation by the national Government in matters that were previously considered to be the sole responsibility of the States; and the effects of the introduction and continuation of uniform income tax.

An account of the historical development of payments to the States is contained in the 1975–76 issue of ‘Payments to or for the States and Local Government Authorities’—particularly the Appendices to that paper.

The arrangements under which the Commonwealth makes payments to the States for general recurrent purposes (referred to hereinafter as ‘general revenue funds’) are described in Chapter II. These funds comprise the largest element in Commonwealth payments to the States and are provided as general subventions to the States’ budgets. They have no conditions attached as to how they may be used.

Up to the end of 1975–76 the bulk of the general revenue funds was made up of the financial assistance grants. These grants were determined annually on the basis of a formula that was normally subject to review at five-year intervals. In most years, however, special assistance was provided in various ways to supplement the amounts produced by the formula.

Commencing in 1976–77, the financial assistance grants were replaced by tax sharing arrangements under which State Governments are entitled to a specified share of Commonwealth net personal income tax collections. General revenue funds also encompass the special grants paid to certain States on the recommendation of the Commonwealth Grants Commission.

Chapter III provides information on the general purpose capital funds available to the States and their authorities under the Loan Council arrangements. These comprise borrowings made on behalf of the State Governments (to which the Commonwealth Government has contributed from its own resources in most years), interest-free grants made to the States and borrowings by State authorities. Further statistical material on these funds is presented in Appendix II.

Specific purpose payments to the States, which finance a wide variety of expenditures, for both recurrent and capital purposes, are described in Chapter IV. Some further statistical details related to these payments are given in Appendix III.

Chapter V provides details of Commonwealth assistance to the Northern Territory and borrowings by Northern Territory authorities.

Chapter VI describes Commonwealth assistance to local government authorities, both direct and by way of payments through the States. In particular, attention is drawn to the significant amounts now being provided by the Commonwealth for local government authorities in the States under the tax sharing arrangements. These funds now comprise 1.75 per cent of Commonwealth net personal

income tax collections in the previous year, and are allocated among the States to be made available to their local authorities. In this paper, these funds are regarded normally as *specific purpose payments to the States* as they are specifically earmarked for 'on-passing' by the States to local government authorities. In the hands of the recipient local government authorities, however, such funds are properly regarded as 'untied general purpose assistance' funds and are so treated in the discussion and tables in Chapter VI.

Appendix I provides figures, in detail and in aggregate, of payments to the States and the State Governments' Loan Council program in 1978-79 and 1979-80 (estimated). It also sets out aggregate figures of these funds and of payments made direct to local government authorities for the period 1975-76 to 1979-80 (estimated). Appendix IV provides information on Commonwealth advances to the States and debt charges paid by the States thereon and Appendix V gives figures, in detail and in aggregate, of payments to the *six States combined and to each individual State* for the years 1975-76 to 1979-80 (estimated).

#### *Recent Trends in the Level of Commonwealth Assistance to the States and Local Authorities*

In examining year to year movements—either in total assistance, percentage increases or in components thereof—account needs to be taken of certain changes in the way funds have become available to other levels of government. The following factors are relevant in this connection:

- (i) in 1975-76 the Tasmanian railway system and the non-metropolitan railway system in South Australia were transferred to the Commonwealth, with the consequent financial gains to the two States partly offset by reductions in the levels of general purpose funds provided to them;
- (ii) the Health Insurance Fund payments to the States for hospital running costs which began in 1975-76 subsumed various forms of payments for public hospitals which had not been classified as payments to the States in previous years;
- (iii) payments totalling \$215.6 million were made to the States in June 1976 (under arrangements for the financing of public hospital operating costs) in respect of expenditures arising in the following year;
- (iv) payments to the States in 1976-77 under the personal income tax sharing arrangements were based on estimated taxation collections; final taxation figures were determined by the Commissioner of Taxation on 31 July 1977 and the 1977-78 States' entitlements were reduced by the amount overpaid in respect of 1976-77; and
- (v) the transfer of additional functions to the Government of the Northern Territory (notably education and health) after the beginning of 1978-79.

The percentage increases in the final column of Table 3 show the annual percentage increases after adjusting for the factors listed above.



**Table 3—Payments to or for the States and the Northern Territory, State Governments' Loan Council Programs and Payments Made Direct to Local Government Authorities, 1975-76 to 1979-80**

|   | Actual<br>Amount | Actual<br>Percentage<br>Increase | 'Adjusted'<br>Percentage<br>Increase(a) |
|---|------------------|----------------------------------|---|
|   | \$ million       | %                                | %                                       |
| <b>FUNDS TO STATES FOR RECURRENT PURPOSES</b>                   |                  |                                  |   |
| <i>General Revenue Funds—</i>                                   |                  |                                  |   |
| 1975-76 . . . . .   | 3 111.6          | 23.8                             | 25.9                                    |
| 1976-77 . . . . .   | 3 722.6          | 19.6                             | 19.0                                    |
| 1977-78 . . . . .   | 4 341.4          | 16.6                             | 17.8                                    |
| 1978-79 . . . . .   | 4 800.4          | 10.6                             | 10.1                                    |
| 1979-80 (estimate)  | 5 432.0          | 13.2                             | 13.2                                    |
| <i>Specific Purpose Payments for Recurrent Purposes—</i>        |                  |                                  |   |
| 1975-76 . . . . .   | 2 315.9          | 89.6                             | 66.7                                    |
| 1976-77 . . . . .   | 2 387.6          | 3.1                              | 18.7                                    |
| 1977-78 . . . . .   | 2 873.9          | 20.4                             | 9.4                                     |
| 1978-79 . . . . .   | 3 047.8          | 6.0                              | 5.9                                     |
| 1979-80 (estimate)  | 3 388.9          | 11.2                             | 11.2                                    |
| <i>Total Funds for Recurrent Purposes—</i>                      |                  |                                  |   |
| 1975-76 . . . . .   | 5 427.5          | 45.3                             | 40.2                                    |
| 1976-77 . . . . .   | 6 110.2          | 12.6                             | 18.9                                    |
| 1977-78 . . . . .   | 7 215.3          | 18.1                             | 14.3                                    |
| 1978-79 . . . . .   | 7 848.1          | 8.8                              | 8.5                                     |
| 1979-80 (estimate)  | 8 820.9          | 12.4                             | 12.4                                    |
| <b>FUNDS TO STATES FOR CAPITAL PURPOSES</b>                     |                  |                                  |   |
| <i>General Purpose Capital Funds(b)—</i>                        |                  |                                  |   |
| 1975-76 . . . . .   | 1 291.0          | 18.7                             | 18.9                                    |
| 1976-77 . . . . .   | 1 356.0          | 5.0                              | 5.0                                     |
| 1977-78 . . . . .   | 1 433.8          | 5.7                              | 5.7                                     |
| 1978-79 . . . . .   | 1 433.8          | 0.0                              | 0.0                                     |
| 1979-80(c)  | 1 245.0          | -13.2                            | -13.2                                   |
| <i>Specific Purpose Payments for Capital Purposes—</i>          |                  |                                  |   |
| 1975-76 . . . . .   | 1 836.3          | 5.2                              | 5.2                                     |
| 1976-77 . . . . .   | 1 680.9          | -8.5                             | -8.5                                    |
| 1977-78 . . . . .   | 1 575.2          | -6.3                             | -6.3                                    |
| 1978-79 . . . . .   | 1 437.8          | -8.7                             | -8.7                                    |
| 1979-80 (estimate)  | 1 365.3          | -5.1                             | -5.1                                    |
| <i>Total Funds for Capital Purposes—</i>                        |                  |                                  |   |
| 1975-76 . . . . .   | 3 127.3          | 10.4                             | 10.8                                    |
| 1976-77 . . . . .   | 3 036.9          | -2.9                             | -2.9                                    |
| 1977-78 . . . . .   | 3 009.0          | -0.9                             | -0.9                                    |
| 1978-79 . . . . .   | 2 871.6          | -4.6                             | -4.6                                    |
| 1979-80 (estimate)  | 2 610.3          | -9.1                             | -9.1                                    |
| <b>TOTAL FUNDS TO STATES FOR RECURRENT AND CAPITAL PURPOSES</b> |                  |                                  |   |
| <i>General Purpose Funds—</i>                                   |                  |                                  |   |
| 1975-76 . . . . .   | 4 402.6          | 22.3                             | 24.1                                    |
| 1976-77 . . . . .   | 5 078.6          | 15.4                             | 14.9                                    |
| 1977-78 . . . . .   | 5 775.2          | 13.7                             | 14.5                                    |
| 1978-79 . . . . .   | 6 234.2          | 7.9                              | 7.6                                     |
| 1979-80 (estimate)  | 6 677.0          | 7.1                              | 7.1                                     |
| <i>Specific Purpose Funds—</i>                                  |                  |                                  |   |
| 1975-76 . . . . .   | 4 152.3          | 40.0                             | 31.8                                    |
| 1976-77 . . . . .   | 4 068.5          | -2.0                             | 6.4                                     |
| 1977-78 . . . . .   | 4 449.1          | 9.4                              | 3.2                                     |
| 1978-79 . . . . .   | 4 485.6          | 0.8                              | 0.7                                     |
| 1979-80 (estimate)  | 4 754.2          | 6.0                              | 6.0                                     |
| <i>Total Funds—</i>   |                  |                                  |   |
| 1975-76 . . . . .   | 8 554.8          | 30.3                             | 27.7                                    |
| 1976-77 . . . . .   | 9 147.1          | 6.9                              | 10.8                                    |
| 1977-78 . . . . .   | 10 224.3         | 11.8                             | 9.3                                     |
| 1978-79 . . . . .   | 10 719.7         | 4.8                              | 4.5                                     |
| 1979-80 (estimate)  | 11 431.2         | 6.6                              | 6.6                                     |

Table 3—Payments to or for the States and the Northern Territory, State Governments' Loan Council Programs and Payments Made Direct to Local Government Authorities, 1975-76 to 1979-80—continued

|  | Actual<br>Amount | Actual<br>Percentage<br>Increase | 'Adjusted'<br>Percentage<br>Increase(a) |
|--|------------------|----------------------------------|---|
|  | \$ million       | %                                | %                                       |
| <b>PAYMENTS MADE DIRECT TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES</b>  |                  |                                  |   |
| 1975-76 . . . . .  | 106.5            | 116.5                            | 116.5                                   |
| 1976-77 . . . . .  | 13.4             | -87.4                            | -87.4                                   |
| 1977-78 . . . . .  | 14.2             | 5.7                              | 5.7                                     |
| 1978-79 . . . . .  | 17.4             | 22.6                             | 22.6                                    |
| 1979-80 (estimate)   | 16.5             | -5.0                             | -5.0                                    |
| <i>Less REPAYMENTS AND SINKING FUND CONTRIBUTIONS(d)</i>   |                  |                                  |   |
| 1975-76 . . . . .  | 198.3            | 0.0                              | 0.0                                     |
| 1976-77 . . . . .  | 221.5            | 11.7                             | 11.7                                    |
| 1977-78 . . . . .  | 238.9            | 7.9                              | 7.9                                     |
| 1978-79 . . . . .  | 258.8            | 8.3                              | 8.3                                     |
| 1979-80 (estimate)   | 279.7            | 8.1                              | 8.1                                     |
| <b>TOTAL FUNDS TO STATES AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES (NET BASIS)</b>  |                  |                                  |   |
| 1975-76 . . . . .  | 8 463.1          | 31.8                             | 29.2                                    |
| 1976-77 . . . . .  | 8 939.0          | 5.6                              | (e)9.6                                  |
| 1977-78 . . . . .  | 9 999.6          | 11.9                             | 9.4                                     |
| 1978-79 . . . . .  | 10 478.3         | 4.8                              | 4.7                                     |
| 1979-80 (estimate)   | 11 168.0         | 6.6                              | 6.6                                     |
| <b>PAYMENTS TO THE NORTHERN TERRITORY (GROSS)</b>  |                  |                                  |   |
| 1977-78 . . . . .  | 52.8             | ..                               | ..                                      |
| 1978-79 . . . . .  | 289.8            | (f)                              | n.a.                                    |
| 1979-80 (estimate)   | 442.0            | (f)                              | n.a.                                    |
| <b>PAYMENTS MADE DIRECT TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES IN THE NORTHERN TERRITORY</b>  |                  |                                  |   |
| 1979-80 (estimate)   | 0.1              | n.a.                             | n.a.                                    |
| <i>Less REPAYMENTS</i>   |                  |                                  |   |
| 1978-79 . . . . .  | 1.8              | (f)                              | n.a.                                    |
| 1979-80 (estimate)   | 1.9              | (f)                              | n.a.                                    |
| <b>PAYMENTS TO THE NORTHERN TERRITORY AND PAYMENTS MADE DIRECT TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES IN THE NORTHERN TERRITORY (NET BASIS)</b> |                  |                                  |   |
| 1977-78 . . . . .  | 52.8             | ..                               | ..                                      |
| 1978-79 . . . . .  | 288.1            | (f)                              | n.a.                                    |
| 1979-80 (estimate)   | 440.3            | (f)                              | n.a.                                    |
| <b>GRAND TOTAL—FUNDS TO STATES, THE NORTHERN TERRITORY AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES (NET BASIS)</b>                                  |                  |                                  |   |
| 1977-78 . . . . .  | 10 052.4         | ..                               | ..                                      |
| 1978-79 . . . . .  | 10 766.4         | (f)                              | n.a.                                    |
| 1979-80 (estimate)   | 11 608.3         | (f)                              | n.a.                                    |

(a) See text above.

(b) Comprising the State Governments' Loan Council borrowing programs and capital grants.

(c) Programs agreed to at the June 1979 Loan Council meeting.

(d) That is, repayments of Commonwealth advances to the States and local government authorities and sinking fund contributions on State Governments' Loan Council borrowings.

(e) If the non-recurring grants to the States and local government authorities for unemployment relief (including under the REDS) in 1975-76 and 1976-77 are also excluded, this figure becomes 11.4 per cent.

(f) Payments to the Northern Territory in 1977-78, 1978-79 and 1979-80 are not on a comparable basis. See Chapter V for details.

The figures in the foregoing table include the State Governments' Loan Council program but do not include the borrowing programs of State semi-government and local authorities. This reflects the fact that the States' Loan Council program is 'underwritten' by the Commonwealth and thus represents an effective charge on the Commonwealth's budget while the authorities' program is not underwritten by the Commonwealth and does not affect the Commonwealth's budget. It is of interest, however, to show how the magnitudes given in the previous tables are affected if the authorities' programs are included. The following table is designed for that purpose.

**Table 4—Funds available to the States, the Northern Territory and their Authorities as Commonwealth Assistance and as Borrowing Programs (gross basis) 1979-80**

|  | 1979-80    | Percentage Increase<br>Over 1978-79 |             |
|--|------------|-------------------------------------|-------------|
|  |            | Actual                              | Adjusted(a) |
|  | \$ million | %                                   | %           |
| <b>States—</b>   |            |                                     |             |
| <i>General Purpose Funds—</i>                                  |            |                                     |             |
| General Revenue Funds . . . . .                                | 5 432.0    | 13.2                                | 13.2        |
| General Purpose Capital Funds . . . . .                        |            |                                     |             |
| State Governments' Loan Council Programs(b)(c) . . . . .       | 1 245.0    | -13.2                               | -13.2       |
| Borrowing Programs of Larger State Authorities(c)(d) . . . . . | 1 301.6    | 0.4                                 | 0.4         |
| Infrastructure financing . . . . .                             | 400.7      | 168.9                               | 168.9       |
| Borrowings of Smaller Authorities(d)(e) . . . . .              | 537.7      | 28.2                                | 28.2        |
| Sub-total . . . . .  | 3 485.0    | 5.6                                 | 5.6         |
| Total General Purpose Funds . . . . .                          | 8 917.0    | 10.1                                | 10.1        |
| <i>Specific Purpose Payments(f)</i> . . . . .                  | 4 770.7    | 5.9                                 | 5.9         |
| <b>Total States (Gross)</b> . . . . .                          | 13 687.7   | 8.6                                 | 8.6         |
| <b>Northern Territory—</b>                                     |            |                                     |             |
| Payments (net)(g) . . . . .                                    | 440.3      | (h)                                 | n.a.        |
| Borrowing Programs of Authorities(i) . . . . .                 | 34.7       | (h)                                 | n.a.        |
| <b>Total</b> . . . . .   | 475.0      | (h)                                 | n.a.        |
| <b>Grand Total (Gross)</b> . . . . .                           | 14 162.7   | (h)                                 | n.a.        |

(a) As set out in previous table and accompanying text.

(b) Borrowing programs plus capital grants.

(c) Programs approved at the June 1979 meeting of the Loan Council.

(d) See Chapter III for explanations of terms 'larger' and 'smaller' authorities and Loan Council arrangements in relation thereto.

(e) Estimate on basis of advice from State Treasuries.

(f) Includes payments made direct to local government authorities.

(g) Includes payments direct to local government authorities in the Northern Territory. See Chapter V for details.

(h) Amounts for 1978-79 and 1979-80 are not on a comparable basis. See Chapter V for details.

(i) Allowance for Northern Territory authorities within Commonwealth program approved at the June 1979 meeting of the Loan Council.

## CHAPTER II—GENERAL REVENUE FUNDS TO THE STATES

General revenue grants have, in one form or another, been paid by the Commonwealth to the States since Federation. Their purpose has been to assist the States, by way of subventions to their annual budgets, in the financing of their recurrent expenditures. They are not subject to any conditions as to the purposes for which they may be spent; that is, they are completely 'untied'.

A detailed history of successive arrangements governing this form of assistance is to be found in Chapter II and Appendix II of the 1975-76 issue of this paper. This Chapter provides a very brief summary of the arrangements, which applied up to and including 1975-76, followed by a more detailed description of the personal income tax sharing arrangements between the Commonwealth and State Governments which commenced in 1976-77.

### SUMMARY OF PREVIOUS ARRANGEMENTS

Payments of general revenue assistance to the States in the early years of Federation were governed by provisions in the Constitution relating to the allocation to the States of a portion of customs and excise revenue and of 'surplus revenue'. These were replaced after about 10 years by per capita payments which were in turn replaced, under the Financial Agreement of 1927, by contributions by the Commonwealth to interest and sinking fund on State debt. Although the assistance in respect of State debt charges has the effect of providing general relief to the States' budgets, the assistance is classified in this paper as a form of specific purpose payment.

Since 1910-11 the payments referred to above were supplemented by special grants to Western Australia and then later to Tasmania and South Australia; from 1934-35 these grants were paid on the recommendation of the Commonwealth Grants Commission.

In 1942, when uniform income tax arrangements were adopted, the Commonwealth became the sole government imposing taxes on income. To compensate the States for revenue forgone as a result of their ceasing to impose such taxes, the Commonwealth began paying what were known as 'tax reimbursement grants' to the States. These grants continued until 1958-59, after which they were replaced by 'financial assistance grants'. The grants were replaced, as from and including 1976-77, by personal income tax sharing arrangements.

In very abbreviated terms, the arrangements which applied over the period 1942-43 to 1975-76 may be summarised as follows:

- When the tax reimbursement grants commenced, both the total grants, and their distribution between States, were related mainly to the amounts of income tax previously being collected by the States.
- From 1948-49, however, a formula applied under which a total grant for each year was determined by increasing the amount payable in the preceding year by reference to increases in the population of the six States and to the increase in average wages.
- Over the period 1948-49 to 1956-57 a proportion of the grants was distributed between the States by reference to the previous income tax collections

of the States and a proportion by reference to the respective populations of the States as adjusted for density and numbers of children aged between 5 and 15 years of age (they being factors considered to affect the relative needs of the States); the proportion allocated in the latter manner was gradually increased over the period, and in 1957–58 and 1958–59 the distribution between States was wholly on that basis.

- In every year from 1949–50 to 1958–59 supplementary grants, in addition to those yielded by the formulae, were paid.
- The legislation authorising payment of the tax reimbursement grants made those grants conditional on the States refraining from levying income tax, and permitted reductions to be made in the grants payable to any State which did levy such a tax; this element of the legislation was unsuccessfully challenged before the High Court in 1955–56.
- Over the whole of the period of the tax reimbursement grants the three least populous States continued to receive grants annually on the recommendation of the Commonwealth Grants Commission.
- The financial assistance grants arrangements were instituted in 1959, and reviewed and amended (in each case so as to increase the grants payable to the States) in 1965, 1970 and 1975.
- The main change compared with the previous arrangements was that the grants each year increased not only in proportion to increases in State populations and in average wages, but by a further, so-called ‘betterment’ factor; until 1964–65 this factor was calculated as 10 per cent of the average wages increase in the year concerned; it was then fixed at 1.2 per cent, independent of the average wages increase, for the years 1965–66 to 1970–71, at 1.8 per cent for the years 1971–72 to 1975–76 and was to have been increased to 3.0 per cent in 1976–77.
- The grants arrangements have been adjusted from time to time apart from the periodic reviews referred to above; for example, adjustments were made to compensate the States for loss of receipts duty following a High Court decision in 1970–71 and to reduce the grants when pay-roll tax was transferred from the Commonwealth to the States in 1971, when the Commonwealth assumed full responsibility for financing tertiary education from January 1974 and on account of transfers of railways from South Australia and Tasmania to the Commonwealth in 1975.
- Additions were made to the financial assistance grants following withdrawal from the Commonwealth Grants Commission system by South Australia, Western Australia and Tasmania.
- Special revenue assistance, either for particular States or all States, was paid in each of the years 1966–67 to 1974–75 inclusive to supplement the financial assistance grants; on some occasions, this was built in to the formula grants.
- In terms of the distribution of the grants between States, the effect of the formula—under which each State’s annual grant was increased from the previous year in proportion to its population increase in the year and by the average wages and betterment factors which were common to all States—

was, abstracting from other factors, to maintain the relationships between the grants to the States in per capita terms. However, these relationships were also affected by various adjustments made in the arrangements from time to time, including those referred to above.

- The grants arrangements, as revised following the June 1975 Premiers' Conference and incorporating an increase in the betterment factor to 3.0 per cent to operate in 1976-77 and thereafter, were to have applied over the five years 1975-76 to 1979-80 inclusive, with a review before the end of that period.
- The legislation authorising the financial assistance grants—namely, successive States Grants Acts—did not specifically state that the grants were conditional on the States not levying taxes on income; however, it was made clear by the Commonwealth at the time of each review that the grants were so conditional.
- The State Governments consistently expressed the view, over the whole of the period covered by the foregoing summary, that the arrangements were unsatisfactory from their point of view. In 1970 the six States unanimously proposed that they be given direct access to income tax broadly along the lines of the scheme then operating in Canada. In 1975 they proposed—again unanimously—that the general revenue grants arrangements should be based, in effect, on the principle that they should compensate the States for their lack of access to income tax and that, to put that principle into effect, the average wages element in the formula should be replaced by a new 'progression' factor equal to 1.5 times the increase in average wages each year.

#### PERSONAL INCOME TAX SHARING WITH THE STATES

Commencing in 1976-77, personal income tax sharing arrangements between the Commonwealth and the States replaced the financial assistance grants.

The tax sharing arrangements represent a central element in the Government's Federalism policy, that policy being based largely on a statement on the matter issued by the Coalition Parties in September 1975.

The way in which a share of Commonwealth personal income tax revenue is provided as assistance for local government is explained in Chapter VI.

The income tax sharing arrangements with the States have two stages.

Under Stage 1, which commenced in 1976-77, the States receive a specified proportion of the net personal income tax collections made under Commonwealth legislation. Relevant legislation—the *States (Personal Income Tax Sharing) Act 1976*—received the Royal Assent in November 1976.

Under Stage 2, which was originally intended to be ready for implementation in 1977-78, the Stage 1 arrangements continue but, in addition, each State has the right at its discretion to increase or reduce the personal income tax levied on residents of the State. Any additional income taxes so levied would be collected by the Commonwealth on behalf of the State or States concerned. Any rebate of tax in a State would be at the State's expense. Relevant Commonwealth legislation—the *Income Tax (Arrangements with the States) Act 1978*—received the Royal Assent in June 1978. To date, no State has passed the necessary enabling State legislation.

Following is a list of points representing the understandings which were reached in 1976 between the Commonwealth and State Governments in connection with the scheme as it relates to State Governments (local government aspects are dealt with in Chapter VI).

*Personal Income Tax Sharing Between the Commonwealth and State Governments: Points of Understanding*

- (1) The scheme will be related to personal income tax—not company tax and not including withholding taxes on interest and dividends.
- (2) The scheme will be introduced in two Stages; referred to below as Stage 1 and Stage 2.

*Stage 1*

- (3) Stage 1 will apply as from the beginning of 1976–77.
- (4) The States' entitlements under Stage 1 will represent a specified percentage of Commonwealth imposed personal income tax. (State legislation will thus not be required in regard to Stage 1.)
- (5) The 'base' to which the percentage will be applied each year will be net personal income tax collected in the year.
- (6) The percentage figure for 1976–77, and for subsequent years, subject to any decisions made given relevant points recorded below, will be 33.6.
- (7) Personal income tax collections in the Territories will be included in the base figure but with this subject to review in the light of the developments in public finances in the Territories.
- (8) The yield or costs of special surcharges or rebates applied, in appropriate circumstances, by the Commonwealth will not be included in the base figure from which the States' entitlements will be calculated.
- (9) In regard to the possible effects on the States' Stage 1 entitlements of changes by the Commonwealth in its personal income tax legislation, the Commonwealth Government has given a firm assurance to the States that:
  - (a) it will ensure that the States are fully informed of relevant tax changes made by the Commonwealth and of their estimated effects on the States' entitlements;
  - (b) it will participate in a review of the arrangements when there are changes in Commonwealth tax legislation which have effects on the States' entitlements of such significance as to warrant such a review;
  - (c) when post-budget changes in Commonwealth personal income tax legislation with substantial effects on the States' entitlements are made, the Commonwealth will consider, in consultation with the States, appropriate adjustments in the arrangements to offset the effects on the States' entitlements in that particular financial year having regard to other relevant factors impinging on the States' budgetary positions; any necessary consultations with the States on this matter will be arranged at the earliest practicable stage; and

- (d) longer-term trends in regard to such matters as changes in the relative importance of personal income tax vis-a-vis other taxes will be kept under notice between the Commonwealth and State Governments.
- (10) However, it is agreed that it would not be practicable to devise in advance an automatic formula for defining how changes in Commonwealth tax laws should be reflected in the Stage 1 arrangements.
- (11) There will be a 'guarantee' arrangement to ensure that the States' Stage 1 entitlements in any year are not less, in absolute terms, than in the previous year. This arrangement will be supplemented in the first four years of the new scheme (that is, in the years 1976-77 to 1979-80) by a further undertaking that the entitlements will not be less in a year than the amount which would have been yielded in that year by the financial assistance grants formula as laid down in the *States Grants Act 1973*.
- (12) A total entitlement for all States will first be determined, to be then divided between the States.
- (13) The initial per capita relativities between the States in their Stage 1 entitlements will be the relativities in the financial assistance grants in 1975-76.
- (14) Subject to (16) and (17) below, and to any absorption of specific purpose payments, these relativities will be carried forward into subsequent years in such a way as to maintain the proportionate relationships between the per capita entitlements of the States.
- (15) The four less populous States will continue to be free to apply for grants on the recommendation of the Commonwealth Grants Commission in addition to their basic entitlements as yielded under the arrangements summarised above.
- (16) The matter of the relationship between the special grant which Queensland is at present receiving on the recommendation of the Commonwealth Grants Commission and the tax sharing arrangements is regarded as essentially one between the Commonwealth and Queensland Governments and will be considered by those Governments as necessary.
- (17) There will be a periodic review of relativities between all States, advice in relation to this review being sought from an independent review body; the first review will be made before the end of 1980-81 (the same timing as applies to the review of the tax sharing arrangements as a whole—see (35) below).
- (18) Arrangements will be made for the States to be regularly informed, as early as practicable and in confidence as necessary, of relevant estimates in relation to their entitlements.
- (19) In relation to the processes referred to in (9) and (18) as they may be affected by matters which are confidential as a result of their association with the Commonwealth's budget consideration and formulation, the Commonwealth will provide to the States the maximum possible relevant information as is consistent with the security and integrity of its own budget.



- (20) The States will be paid their Stage 1 entitlements on a monthly pro-rata basis, with adjustments during the financial year as necessary as estimates of personal income tax collections in the year are varied (this being similar to the arrangements under which the financial assistance grants are paid).
- (21) There will be full and precise documentation to record the understandings between Governments in relation to Stage 1 but this will not take the form of a formal Agreement.

### *Stage 2*

- (22) Under Stage 2 each State will be able to legislate to impose a surcharge on personal income tax in the State (but not company taxation or withholding tax on dividends and interest) additional to that imposed by the Commonwealth, or to give (at cost to the State) a rebate on personal income tax payable under Commonwealth law and to authorise the Commonwealth to collect the surcharge or grant the rebate as its agent.
- (23) Any State surcharges or rebates will be expressed in percentage terms.
- (24) Assessment provisions, and the basic income tax rate structure, will continue to be uniform throughout Australia, these being matters for the Commonwealth to determine.
- (25) The Commonwealth will at all times remain the sole collecting and administrative agency in the income tax field.
- (26) The level of any State surcharges or rebates will be a matter for consideration by each State; relevant decisions will be taken within an appropriate framework of consultation with the Commonwealth and, as considered appropriate by the surcharging or rebating State, with other States, but ultimately the level of surcharge or rebate will be a decision for each individual State. In exercising these powers the States will accept responsibility to work in parallel with and not in negation of the overall economic management policies of the Commonwealth.
- (27) Equalisation arrangements will be made so that less populous States will be enabled to obtain the same relative advantage from a surcharge as the States with a broader tax base.
- (28) The Grants Commission will be responsible for assessing amounts payable under the arrangements referred to under (27).
- (29) The basis for assessment of equalisation assistance to the less populous States in regard to the yield of State surcharges levied under Stage 2 (see points (27) and (28) above) will be that supplementary assistance will be provided to a less populous State levying a surcharge to bring the per capita yield from the surcharge up to the average per capita amount which would be yielded if New South Wales and Victoria levied a surcharge on the same basis. The assessment will be independent of any examination of the overall financial position of the State concerned vis-a-vis other States.
- (30) Detailed proposals to implement Stage 2 will be formulated by an officers' working party. The firm target is to have an appropriate framework

established, relevant matters agreed and any necessary legislation or other material prepared in time for Stage 2 to commence from the beginning of 1977-78.

- (31) At an appropriate time the Commonwealth will consider what implications Stage 2 might have in relation to the Territories.
- (32) Interest on future issues of Commonwealth securities will be subject to State income tax surcharges under Stage 2 of the tax sharing scheme; this change will not apply retrospectively to interest on securities already issued.

#### *Implications for Tax Forms and Assessment Notices*

- (33) In relation to tax forms, changes will be minimal apart from necessary changes to take account of surcharges or rebates.
- (34) Assessment notices will be changed only to accommodate State surcharges or rebates (any Commonwealth surcharge or rebate would, of course, also be shown), with information on the disposition of Commonwealth tax to States (and local government) provided to taxpayers separately but in conjunction with assessment notices.

#### *Review of Total Tax Sharing Arrangements*

- (35) There will be a review of the tax sharing arrangements as a whole periodically, with the first review being made at some time before the end of 1980-81 with any revisions applying as from the beginning of the next financial year after the review; arrangements will be made for the Commonwealth and State Governments to agree, well in advance of the review, on the procedures which are to be followed in connection with it.

Many of these points of understanding have since been incorporated into the *States (Personal Income Tax Sharing) Act 1976* or the *Income Tax (Arrangements with the States) Act 1978*. Others have been developed further in discussions at the Premiers' Conferences in 1977, 1978 and 1979 (*see below*).

#### *Further Developments in 1976-77, 1977-78 and 1978-79*

Although the majority of matters relating to the Stage 1 arrangements had been settled at the 1976 Premiers' Conferences, some outstanding issues, together with matters relating to Stage 2, were considered at Premiers' Conferences held in April, July and October 1977, June 1978 and June 1979, mostly on the basis of joint reports by Commonwealth and State officers. The position reached on these issues is set out below.

- (1) The States and the Commonwealth agreed in April 1977 on the scheme unanimously recommended by the Commonwealth and State officers under which, to meet possible cash flow problems faced by a State to the extent that a deficit in its budget was due to the State's Stage 1 entitlement in respect of a year falling short of the Commonwealth Budget estimate of its entitlement, and within Loan Council arrangements, a State would have access to Treasury Bills against which it would, except in extreme cases, be expected to lodge counterpart deposits with the Reserve Bank.

(2) Consideration was given at the April and July 1977 Premiers' Conferences to the arrangements for the provision of information by the Commonwealth to the States, and for consultation, as necessary, between the Commonwealth and the States, in relation to Commonwealth budget decisions as they might affect the States' entitlements. At the July 1977 Conference the Prime Minister stated that the Commonwealth would provide information to the States as follows:—

- a preliminary estimate of each State's Stage 1 entitlement for the year ahead on the basis of then current Commonwealth tax legislation;
- an estimate of the yield/cost of a 1% surcharge/rebate in each State on the basis of then current Commonwealth tax legislation;
- an estimate of each State's entitlement under the former financial assistance grants arrangements (the guaranteed entitlement);
- relevant wage assumptions underlying these estimates; and
- certain other information to the extent this was practicable and consistent with budget security.

(3) Following the 1976 Census, the Australian Statistician revised the State population estimates. This resulted in changes in the estimated entitlements of the individual States for 1976–77, although the total entitlement of the States as a whole was not affected by the revision. Officers were directed by the April 1977 Premiers' Conference to examine and report on the implications of the revision of population figures. While no change was made to the tax sharing arrangements in this regard, the general question of whether estimates of State populations could be made more accurate was considered at the October 1977 and June 1978 Premiers' Conferences on the basis of officers' reports. The Australian Statistician's efforts to overcome certain estimation problems were noted and it was agreed that no further action could usefully be taken at that stage.

(4) Point of Understanding (17) records that there would be a periodic review of relativities and that advice in relation to this review would be sought from an independent review body. There were three aspects to be considered: the guidelines for the review body, the nature of the review body, and the timing of the review.

At the April 1977 Premiers' Conference, the States and the Commonwealth agreed that the guidelines for the review body should be expressed in relatively broad terms to give it flexibility in carrying out its work, and agreed that the guidelines should be along the following lines:—

- (i) The basic purpose is to review the percentage relationship between the States' respective per capita entitlements under Stage 1 of the personal income tax sharing arrangements between the Commonwealth and State Governments and to make any recommendations for changes in those relationships considered appropriate.

- (ii) The review should be on the basis of the principle that each State should be able to provide State Government services of a recurrent kind of the same standard as other States without imposing higher rates of taxes or charges; differences in revenue raising capacities and in the relative costs of providing comparable government services should be taken into account.
- (iii) The review is to include an examination of the existing relativities, of the factors which have influenced them and of any relevant changes which have occurred in the period since those relativities were established.

It was also agreed at the April 1977 Premiers' Conference that the States and the Commonwealth would each have a right to argue before the review body any matters which a State or the Commonwealth regarded as relevant to the review, that the first review should be commenced as soon as possible and that the review body's report would be considered at a Premiers' Conference before any decision was taken on it.

Agreement was not reached at the April 1977 Premiers' Conference on the constitution of the review body but the Commonwealth undertook to give the matter further consideration. After this further consideration, the Commonwealth reiterated its view that the Commonwealth Grants Commission was the appropriate body to conduct the review. The *States (Personal Income Tax Sharing) Amendment Bill 1977*, nominating the Grants Commission as the review body and prescribing the guidelines which it was to follow, was introduced into the Parliament on 26 May 1977 and was passed by the House of Representatives. However, in the light of views expressed by several Premiers, the Bill was not proceeded with in the Autumn session of the Parliament and the matter was discussed at the Premiers' Conference on 1 July 1977.

At that Conference, the Prime Minister agreed that Commonwealth and State officers would consult further on the guidelines and would also give consideration to suggested amendments proposed by some of the Premiers. On the question of the review body the Prime Minister put forward a compromise proposal—in effect, a special Division of the Commonwealth Grants Commission supplemented by three associate members nominated by the States. It was then agreed that the body to review the relativities should be composed of the Chairman of the Grants Commission, two members of the Commission, plus three associate members, one of whom would be nominated by New South Wales and Victoria and two by the four other States.

The Premiers' Conference on 21 October 1977 agreed on the wording of revised guidelines which were in line with the broad agreement reached at the April 1977 Premiers' Conference. The Conference also agreed that:

- (i) the intention was for reviews to be held no more often than every three to five years;

- (ii) Commonwealth legislation for the purpose should give flexibility to enable a review to be held whenever there were special circumstances which warranted this—for example, if a review were sought by (say) three States; and
- (iii) the guidelines were not intended to place any limitation on the review body in considering the matters that led to the existing relativities.

Amendments were made in June 1978 to the *States (Personal Income Tax Sharing) Act 1976* and to the *Commonwealth Grants Commission Act 1976* to provide, inter alia, for periodic reviews by a special Division of the Commonwealth Grants Commission of the per capita relativities between the States in their tax sharing entitlements.

- (5) The July 1977 Premiers' Conference noted that there had been fluctuations in the estimates of the total tax sharing entitlements during 1976–77. These fluctuations had occurred largely because of changes in estimates of tax collections but the uncertainty arising from these sources would have been avoided had the States not chosen to have their tax sharing entitlements calculated as a percentage of the current year's personal income tax collections, which were not finally known until 31 July in the following financial year.

Against the background of the uncertainty inevitably associated with the use of current year tax collections as the base, the Prime Minister suggested that the States might reconsider the earlier Commonwealth proposal that the preceding year's collections be used as the base (local government tax sharing entitlements were already based on collections in the preceding year—see Chapter VI for details). He offered to fix the States' tax sharing entitlements in respect of 1977–78 at \$4 336.1 million if the States were to decide to adopt that proposal. (This would be subject to adjustments on account of over-payments in 1976–77 of State entitlements for that year—see page 21 of the 1978–79 issue of this paper.) The Prime Minister pointed out that this would reduce uncertainty and administrative difficulties.

The Premiers agreed that Commonwealth and State officers should examine and report on arrangements for changing the total tax sharing entitlements from 33.6 per cent of the current year's collections to an appropriate percentage of the preceding year's collections.

On the basis of the officers' report, the October 1977 Premiers' Conference agreed to adopt the preceding year's net personal income tax collections as the base, using 39.87 per cent for the purpose. The amending legislation—the *States (Personal Income Tax Sharing) Amendment Act 1978*—provides, inter alia, for States' entitlements for 1977–78 to be \$4 336.1 million (subject to the guarantee arrangements) and the entitlements in each subsequent year to be 39.87 per cent of the preceding year's collections (again, subject to the guarantee arrangements).

- (6) In addition, the June 1978 Premiers' Conference referred the following matters to officers for examination and report:
- (i) the States' request that there be an extension beyond 30 June 1980 of the present guarantee that until then each State will be entitled to receive each financial year under Stage 1 of the tax sharing arrangements at least what it would have received under the old financial assistance grants formula;
  - (ii) a review in accordance with point 9 (b) of the points of understanding;
  - (iii) procedures regarding consultation between the Commonwealth and States in relation to post-budget changes in the income tax structure (point of understanding 9 (c) refers);
  - (iv) an examination of a New South Wales draft document relating to the points of understanding in relation to the extent to which it is an accurate, full and up-to-date record of the understandings reached between the Commonwealth and States; and
  - (v) the factual position in relation to the effect of changes to population estimates on the level of Queensland's guaranteed minimum entitlement under the old financial assistance grants formula. (Queensland raised this matter at the October 1977 Premiers' Conference claiming that consistent under-estimation of its population has meant that its financial assistance grants were lower than they should have been and that, therefore, its guaranteed minimum entitlement is too low).

Officers' reports on these five matters were before the June 1979 Premiers' Conference. Regarding the officers' report on the related items (i) and (ii) above, the Prime Minister advised the States that the Commonwealth could not agree to either an extension of the existing guarantee beyond 30 June 1980 or an upwards adjustment to the States' share of tax collections. It was agreed, however, that Commonwealth and State officers would examine, taking into account the financial capacity of the Commonwealth, possible alternatives to the present guarantee with a view to presenting a report to a Premiers' Conference to be held later in 1979. That Conference is also to resume consideration of the officers' reports on items (iii) and (iv) above. In respect of the bilateral matter of Queensland's guarantee (item (v) above), the Commonwealth and Queensland agreed to discuss this outside the Premiers' Conference.

### *Stage 2 of the Tax Sharing Arrangements*

The April 1977 Conference had before it the Report of the working party of officers of the Commonwealth and State Treasuries and taxation and legal officers, established following the April 1976 Conference, to advise on the introduction of Stage 2 of the tax sharing arrangements. The report canvassed some fundamental aspects of possible arrangements, including several which raised important and complex legal and policy questions.

The Conference was in broad agreement as to the objectives to be pursued in developing detailed arrangements for Stage 2:—

- (i) there should be complete uniformity as between the States in all respects other than rates of any surcharges or rebates;
- (ii) the arrangements should be free of any significant Constitutional or other legal doubt;
- (iii) the scheme should be as simple and inexpensive to administer as practicable consistent with legal requirements and the other broad objectives being followed;
- (iv) the arrangements should impose the least inconvenience practicable on taxpayers and employers; and
- (v) the arrangements should be such as to avoid creating avenues for tax avoidance or evasion.

For the benefit of States choosing to enter into Stage 2 arrangements, and in order to avoid technical problems, the Commonwealth suggested that it and all States co-operate to prepare complementary or 'interlocking' legislation. This proposal was not accepted by all States.

At the April 1977 Conference, the Commonwealth emphasised that it wanted to introduce enabling legislation as soon as possible, thus providing each State with the option of proceeding to raise or lower income tax within its own borders if it so chose. The States could, within a framework of enabling legislation, make their own decisions, in their own time and in accordance with their own priorities, whether or not to utilise the provisions of Stage 2. It was agreed that Commonwealth officers and officers of the Victorian and Western Australian Governments should have discussions regarding the Commonwealth legislation which was to be drafted.

The *Income Tax (Arrangements with the States) Bill 1977* was introduced into the Commonwealth Parliament late in the Autumn 1977 sittings. This Bill was designed to enable the States at their own discretion to increase their shares of personal income tax by increasing the tax paid by their residents or to provide tax rebates to their residents at the States' own cost. In order to allow time for proper consideration and informed debate, the Bill was not proceeded with immediately. At the July 1977 Premiers' Conference, the Prime Minister invited comments from the States on the Bill.

The 1977 Bill lapsed with the dissolution of the Commonwealth Parliament on 10 November 1977.

Subsequently, after careful consideration, the Commonwealth Government agreed to some changes being made to the provisions of the 1977 Bill to meet points raised by the Premiers before re-introducing the Bill into the Parliament. The revised Bill, basically the same as the 1977 Bill but incorporating these changes, and a number of minor technical and machinery improvements, was passed by the Parliament late in the 1978 Autumn sittings and became the *Income Tax (Arrangements with the States) Act 1978*.

The drafting of possible enabling legislation which might be adopted by individual States is a State matter, but one on which the Commonwealth has indicated a willingness to consult and co-operate.

*States' Tax Sharing Entitlements in 1978-79 and 1979-80 (estimated)*

Under the *States (Personal Income Tax Sharing) Act 1976*, the States are entitled to receive in respect of 1976-77 33.6 per cent of net personal income tax collections in the year, in respect of 1977-78 a fixed amount of \$4 336.1 million and in respect of each subsequent year 39.87 per cent of collections in the preceding year. This is subject to the guarantee that the States' Stage 1 entitlements in any year are not less, in absolute terms, than in the previous year and that, in the years 1976-77 to 1979-80, their entitlements will not be less in a year than the amount which would have been yielded in that year by the financial assistance grants formula as laid down in the *States Grants Act 1973*.

The entitlements are calculated on the basis of net personal income tax collections, excluding the effects of any special tax levies or rebates so declared for purposes of the Act. At present, there are no such special tax levies or rebates. The Health Insurance levy, which operated from 1 October 1976 to 31 October 1978, was in the nature of a special tax levy applied by the Commonwealth and has been excluded from the tax collections figures from which the States' entitlements are calculated.

The relative shares of the States are determined on a weighted population basis, the weights (which are based on the per capita relativities in the States' financial assistance grants in 1975-76) being prescribed in the Act, and the populations being determined by the Australian Statistician.

Particulars of the calculations underlying the States' tax sharing entitlements for 1977-78 are given on page 21 of the 1978-79 issue of this paper.

The States were entitled to receive in respect of 1978-79 and subject to the guarantee arrangements, 39.87 per cent of \$11 804.4 million, the amount of net personal income tax collections (excluding the effects of the Health Insurance levy) in 1977-78 determined by the Commissioner of Taxation in accordance with the Act. As required by the legislation, the Australian Statistician made determinations of amounts that would have been payable under the financial assistance grants formula (that is, the States' guaranteed minimum entitlements) and of State populations at 31 December 1978. After allowing for the operation of the guarantee in the case of all States except Queensland, the States' total entitlement for 1978-79 was \$4 778.7 million.



The following table shows the calculations underlying the States' tax sharing entitlements in 1978-79:

**Table 5—Distribution of States' Personal Income Tax Sharing Entitlements in 1978-79**

|   | New South Wales | Victoria  | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total      |
|---|-----------------|-----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|------------|
| (1) Population at 31 December 1978(a)   | 5 042 730       | 3 836 343 | 2 179 885  | 1 290 915       | 1 232 281         | 415 645  | 13 997 799 |
| (2) Per capita relativities(b)  | 1.02740         | 1.00000   | 1.39085    | 1.52676         | 1.66516           | 2.00188  | ..         |
| (3) Row (1) weighted by Row (2)   | 5 180 901       | 3 836 343 | 3 031 893  | 1 970 917       | 2 051 945         | 832 071  | 16 904 070 |
| (4) Percentage distribution of Row (3) between States (per cent)                                  | 30.64884        | 22.69479  | 17.93588   | 11.65942        | 12.13876          | 4.92231  | 100.00000  |
| (5) Share of 39.87 per cent of \$11 804.4 million(c) —Distributed according to Row (4) \$'000     | 1 442 462       | 1 068 111 | 844 137    | 548 741         | 571 300           | 231 664  | 4 706 415  |
| (6) Amount guaranteed under section 8 of the Act (Financial Assistance Grants formula) (d) \$'000 | 1 464 397       | 1 090 025 | 837 065    | 559 841         | 579 532           | 240 737  | 4 771 597  |
| (7) States' entitlements under the Act (\$'000) (e)   | 1 464 397       | 1 090 025 | 844 137    | 559 841         | 579 532           | 240 737  | 4 778 669  |

(a) Determined by the Australian Statistician in accordance with section 9 of the *States (Personal Income Tax Sharing) Act 1976*.

(b) Relativities specified in section 4 (1) of the Act. For derivation, see Table 5 on page 22 of the 1977-78 issue of this paper.

(c) Net personal income tax collections (excluding receipts from the Health Insurance levy) in 1977-78 as determined by the Commissioner of Taxation in accordance with section 6 of the Act.

(d) Determined by the Australian Statistician in accordance with section 8 of the Act. Calculated by applying to the notional 1977-78 financial assistance grants the estimated increases in State populations in the year ended 31 December 1978 (New South Wales 1.27 per cent, Victoria 0.97 per cent, Queensland 1.15 per cent, South Australia 0.55 per cent, Western Australia 1.75 per cent and Tasmania 0.87 per cent), the estimated increase in average wages for Australia as a whole in the year ended 31 March 1979 of 8.20 per cent and the betterment factor of 3.0 per cent.

(e) For all States except Queensland, amounts in Row (6); for Queensland, amount in Row (5).

The amount of net personal income tax collections (excluding the effects of the Health Insurance levy) in 1978-79 determined by the Commissioner of Taxation in accordance with the Act is \$12 670.8 million, giving, on application of the percentage of 39.87 per cent, a total States' tax share in 1979-80 of \$5 051.9 million.

On assumptions concerning increases in State populations consistent with those used in estimating the States' tax shares, and assuming an increase in average wages consistent with that used elsewhere in the budget figuring, the estimated short term guarantees of all States are above their individual tax shares, resulting in an estimate of the States' entitlements in 1979-80 of \$5 419.6 million.

The following table shows the calculations underlying the State by State estimates of tax sharing entitlements in 1979-80. It is to be emphasised that these figures are estimates dependent on projections relating to wages and population and hence must necessarily be subject to a substantial margin of uncertainty.

Table 6—Estimates of the States' Personal Income Tax Sharing Entitlements in 1979-80

|  | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total     |
|--|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|-----------|
| (1) Population at 31 December 1979(a) ('000 persons)   | 5 113.6         | 3 879.6  | 2 198.4    | 1 296.8         | 1 256.1           | 419.1    | 14 163.6  |
| (2) Per capita relativities(b)   | 1 02740         | 1.00000  | 1.39085    | 1.52676         | 1.66516           | 2.00188  | ..        |
| (3) Row (1) weighted by Row (2)  | 5 253.7         | 3 879.6  | 3 057.6    | 1 979.9         | 2 091.6           | 839.0    | 17 101.5  |
| (4) Percentage distribution of Row (3) between States (per cent)   | 30 72085        | 22.68579 | 17.87944   | 11.57739        | 12.23058          | 4.90595  | 100.00000 |
| (5) Share of 39.87 per cent of \$12 670.8 million(c) —Distributed according to Row (4) \$million               | 1 552.0         | 1 146.1  | 903.2      | 584.9           | 617.9             | 247.8    | 5 051.9   |
| (6) Estimated amount guaranteed under section 8 of the Act (Financial Assistance Grants formula)(d) \$ million | 1 667.2         | 1 237.6  | 947.8      | 631.4           | 663.2             | 272.5    | 5 419.6   |
| (7) Estimated States' entitlements under the Act(e) \$ million   | 1 667.2         | 1 237.6  | 947.8      | 631.4           | 663.2             | 272.5    | 5 419.6   |

(a) Forward estimates of population at 31 December 1979 supplied by the Australian Bureau of Statistics. Subject to revision.

(b) Relativities specified in section 4 (1) of the Act.

(c) Net personal income tax collections in 1978-79 excluding revenue from the Health Insurance levy; determined by the Commissioner of Taxation in accordance with section 6 of the Act.

(d) Estimates calculated by applying to the notional 1978-79 financial assistance grants, as determined by the Australian Statistician, the estimated increases in State populations for the year ending 31 December 1979 (New South Wales 1.41 per cent, Victoria 1.13 per cent, Queensland 0.85 per cent, South Australia 0.46 per cent, Western Australia 1.93 per cent and Tasmania 0.83 per cent), based on estimates of population supplied by the Australian Bureau of Statistics, the estimated increase in average wages for Australia as a whole in the year ending 31 March 1980 of 9.0 per cent and the betterment factor of 3.0 per cent.

(e) For all States, amounts in Row (6).

## THE SPECIAL GRANTS

Special grants have been paid to the States on the recommendation of the Commonwealth Grants Commission since 1934-35. The Grants Commission was established under the *Commonwealth Grants Commission Act 1933* and functioned under that Act, to which only minor amendments were made, until September 1973 when new legislation, the *Grants Commission Act 1973*, was passed by the Parliament. Amendments to that Act were passed in 1975, 1976 and 1978. The 1975 and 1976 changes were mainly related to the Commonwealth's role in the matter of assistance for local government and are dealt with in Chapter VI of this paper. The 1978 changes related to periodic reviews of the per capita relativities between the States in their tax sharing entitlements and to applications for assistance by the Northern Territory (*see* Chapter V of this paper).

Under the legislation as it now stands, the Commission is required to inquire into and report upon:—

- any application made by a State or the Northern Territory for financial assistance for the purpose of making it possible for the State (or the Northern Territory), by reasonable effort, to function at a standard not appreciably below the standards of other States (or the States);
- any other matters related to Commonwealth financial assistance to the States which may be referred to it by the Government.

The Commission's inquiries and reports in relation to special grants to States are made under the first of these provisions; the wording is based on the principle of financial need as set out by the Commission in its Third Report (1936).

The tax sharing arrangements are on the basis that each of the four less populous States may apply for special grants under the Grants Commission arrangements. Queensland has been the only applicant State in recent years. Tasmania, which withdrew from claimancy in 1974–75, applied on 30 June 1978 for a special grant in respect of 1977–78 but subsequently withdrew its application. Arrangements under which the various States withdrew from claimancy for special grants are set out in the 1975–76 issue of this paper.

Since 1949 each recommendation by the Commission for payment of a special grant has consisted of two parts. One part is based on an estimate of the claimant State's financial need in the current financial year, and is treated as an advance payment subject to adjustment two years later when the Commission has compared in detail the financial positions in that year of the claimant and standard States. The other part represents the final adjustment to the advance payment made two years earlier and is known as the completion payment.

In arriving at its recommendations, the Commission makes a detailed comparison between the financial position of a claimant State and those of the 'standard' States. Prior to 1959–60 the Commission used a standard derived from the experience of New South Wales, Victoria and Queensland. From 1959–60 the standard States have been New South Wales and Victoria.

In 1978–79 Queensland received special grants totalling \$21.7 million, consisting of an advance grant for 1978–79 of \$16.0 million and a completion grant in respect of 1976–77 of \$5.7 million. The grants were recommended by the Commission in its Forty-fifth Report presented to Parliament in the Budget Session in 1978, and were authorised by the *Queensland Grant (Special Assistance) Act 1978*.

The Commission has recommended for payment to Queensland in 1979–80 an advance grant for 1979–80 of \$11.0 million and a completion grant in respect of 1977–78 of \$1.4 million. The Commonwealth Government has accepted these recommendations and it is expected that legislation to authorise payment of the grants will be introduced in the Budget sittings of Parliament following tabling of the Commission's Forty-sixth Report.

The table below shows the *final* amount of special grants paid to Queensland in respect of each of the years 1975-76 to 1977-78 inclusive—that is, the advance grant paid in the year concerned plus the completion grant normally paid two years later. The table also shows the advance payments for 1978-79 and 1979-80. Table 8 shows the grants in terms of amounts actually paid each year.

Table 7—Queensland—Special Grants (\$ thousands)

|               | Advance Payment | Completion Payment(a) | Total  |
|---------------|-----------------|-----------------------|--------|
| 1975-76 . . . | 25 000          | 10 800                | 35 800 |
| 1976-77 . . . | 18 000          | 5 700                 | 23 700 |
| 1977-78 . . . | 14 000          | 1 400                 | 15 400 |
| 1978-79 . . . | 16 000          | (b)                   | (b)    |
| 1979-80 . . . | 11 000          | (b)                   | (b)    |

(a) Actually paid two years subsequent to year shown.

(b) Not yet determined—see text above.

#### OTHER GENERAL REVENUE ASSISTANCE

Prior to 1975-76, the Commonwealth Government from time to time provided general revenue assistance to the States additional to that payable under the tax reimbursement and financial assistance grants arrangements or by way of special grants recommended by the Grants Commission. Details of the amounts so provided are to be found in the 1975-76 issue (pages 22 and 23, Tables 116 and 117) and earlier issues of this paper.

#### PAYMENTS OF GENERAL REVENUE FUNDS TO THE STATES

The following table shows payments of general revenue funds to the States from 1975-76 and estimates for 1979-80.

Table 8—General Revenue Funds (\$ thousands)

|   | New South Wales | Victoria  | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total     |
|---|-----------------|-----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|-----------|
| PAYMENTS OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE GRANTS/TAX SHARING ENTITLEMENTS(a) |                 |           |            |                 |                   |          |           |
| 1975-76 . . .   | 946 660         | 706 389   | 536 792    | 363 091         | 363 031           | 156 816  | 3 072 780 |
| 1976-77 . . .   | 1 133 400       | 841 700   | 660 200    | 433 200         | 440 800           | 186 294  | 3 695 594 |
| 1977-78 . . .   | 1 319 609       | 984 690   | 770 539    | 507 761         | 519 891           | 214 150  | 4 316 641 |
| 1978-79 . . .   | 1 464 397       | 1 090 025 | 844 137    | 559 841         | 579 532           | 240 737  | 4 778 669 |
| 1979-80 (estimate)  | 1 667 200       | 1 237 600 | 947 800    | 631 400         | 663 200           | 272 500  | 5 419 600 |
| SPECIAL GRANTS(b)   |                 |           |            |                 |                   |          |           |
| 1975-76 . . .   | ..              | ..        | 36 300     | 2 500           | ..                | ..       | 38 800    |
| 1976-77 . . .   | ..              | ..        | 27 000     | ..              | ..                | ..       | 27 000    |
| 1977-78 . . .   | ..              | ..        | 24 800     | ..              | ..                | ..       | 24 800    |
| 1978-79 . . .   | ..              | ..        | 21 700     | ..              | ..                | ..       | 21 700    |
| 1979-80 . . .   | ..              | ..        | 12 400     | ..              | ..                | ..       | 12 400    |
| TOTAL GENERAL REVENUE FUNDS   |                 |           |            |                 |                   |          |           |
| 1975-76 . . .   | 946 660         | 706 389   | 573 092    | 365 591         | 363 031           | 156 816  | 3 111 580 |
| 1976-77 . . .   | 1 133 400       | 841 700   | 687 200    | 433 200         | 440 800           | 186 294  | 3 722 594 |
| 1977-78 . . .   | 1 319 609       | 984 690   | 795 339    | 507 761         | 519 891           | 214 150  | 4 341 441 |
| 1978-79 . . .   | 1 464 397       | 1 090 025 | 865 837    | 559 841         | 579 532           | 240 737  | 4 800 369 |
| 1979-80 (estimate)  | 1 667 200       | 1 237 600 | 960 200    | 631 400         | 663 200           | 272 500  | 5 432 000 |

(a) State Government entitlements to a share of Commonwealth personal income tax collections in 1976-77 to 1979-80; financial assistance grants in 1975-76. For further details concerning the grants in 1975-76 and earlier years, see the 1975-76 issue of this paper.

(b) Special grants actually paid to the States in the years shown. See text and Table 7 for amounts of special grants paid in respect of each year.

## ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR INTER-GOVERNMENT RELATIONS

One other element of the Government's Federalism policy which has potential implications for Commonwealth/State financial relations in the establishment of the Advisory Council for Inter-Government Relations.

The Council is an independent body established under Commonwealth legislation—the *Advisory Council for Inter-Government Relations Act 1976*—in accordance with agreement reached at the April 1976 Premiers' Conference. The Council, whose Secretariat is in Hobart, comprises twenty-two members including representatives of the Commonwealth and State Parliaments (Queensland participating from 1 July 1979), local government and the community. In addition, the Legislative Assembly of the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory House of Assembly have observer status on the Council. The Commonwealth and the States together each meet 45 per cent of the Council's costs, the remaining 10 per cent being contributed by local government. Subjects for investigation and advice by the Council are referred to it by Premiers' Conferences; subjects so referred may include matters raised at the initiative either of local government or the Council itself.

The April 1977 Premiers' Conference approved the following items for examination and report:—

- An examination of the relationships which should exist between Federal, State and local governments (referred to as the 'Relationships' reference).
- A study of the costs and benefits of an interchange of personnel between the three spheres of governments, and recommendations for selected implementation of a staff exchange program (referred to as the 'Interchange' reference).

Annual reports for the years ending 31 August 1977 and 1978 have been published. The Council also published a first report on the 'Interchange' reference in June 1978 and a first report on the 'Relationships' reference in June 1979.

The first 'Interchange' report dealt with short-term staff interchanges. The Council is conducting further inquiries into long-term staff interchanges and this will be the subject of a further report.

The 'Relationships' reference will necessitate a major review by the Council, over a considerable period of time, of all aspects of the Australian federal system. The Council has commissioned a series of minor studies for the purpose of providing information on the relationships between the three spheres of government in Australia. In addition, a series of public meetings has been conducted in all States to discuss issues raised in submissions to the inquiry.

## **CHAPTER III—GENERAL PURPOSE CAPITAL FUNDS TO THE STATES**

This Chapter provides information on the general purpose capital funds available to the States and their authorities under the Loan Council arrangements. These comprise borrowings made on behalf of the State Governments (to which the Commonwealth has contributed from its own resources in recent years), interest-free grants made by the Commonwealth to the States, and borrowings by State authorities. Relevant statistical material for the period from 1975–76 is presented in Appendix II; statistical information for earlier years is available in Appendix III of 'Payments to or for the States and Local Government Authorities 1975–76'.

The Loan Council, which is constituted under the Financial Agreement, is composed of representatives of the Commonwealth and each State Government. Under the terms of the Financial Agreement borrowings by the Commonwealth and on behalf of State Governments (except defence borrowings by the Commonwealth and borrowings for temporary purposes) are limited within annual borrowing programs for the Commonwealth and the States determined by the Loan Council. The terms and conditions of loans to finance these programs also require the approval of the Loan Council. Subject to the decisions of the Loan Council, borrowings for and on behalf of the State Governments and conversions, renewals, redemptions and consolidations of the public debt of the States are, with limited exceptions, arranged by the Commonwealth.

### **TREATMENT OF LOAN COUNCIL PROGRAMS IN THIS AND OTHER BUDGET PAPERS**

The capital grants (beginning in 1970–71) paid by the Commonwealth to the States in relation to their government loan programs represent Commonwealth payments to the States and are so categorised for purposes of this and other budget papers.

The State Governments' Loan Council borrowing programs however are not included in the totals of payments to the States shown in this paper. However, as mentioned in Chapter 1, the national accounting item 'grants and net advances to the States, the Northern Territory and Local Government Authorities' used in the statements attached to the Budget Speech and other papers does include these programs. The equivalent aggregate is described in this paper as the total of Commonwealth payments to the States and the Northern Territory, the State Governments' Loan Council borrowing program and payments to local authorities.

### **STATE GOVERNMENTS' LOAN COUNCIL PROGRAM**

The Loan Council program for State Governments represents a major source of funds available to the States for capital works. The Loan Council determines an aggregate program and allocates the amount between the governments. Each State determines the application of its share of the program.

The Commonwealth undertakes to complete the financing of the States' borrowing program by subscribing any shortfall from its own resources. In addition, a proportion of the total program for State Governments agreed to by the Loan Council is provided as a capital grant by the Commonwealth. The capital grant now constitutes one-third of each State's Government program. Background

material on the capital grants, together with a summary of changes in the proportion of the total program provided as grants, is to be found on page 27 of 'Payments to or for the States and Local Government Authorities 1975-76'. On pages 24 and 25 of that paper there is an account of the way in which Commonwealth assistance to the States for housing has in the past been related to the Loan Council arrangements.

For 1978-79 the Loan Council approved a State Governments' program of \$1 433.8 million of which two-thirds, or \$955.9 million, comprised borrowings and one-third, or \$477.9 million, was provided as an interest-free capital grant to the States.

The Loan Council at its June 1979 meeting approved a State Governments' program of \$1 245 million for 1979-80. Two-thirds of this, or \$830 million, will comprise borrowings and one-third, or \$415 million, will be provided as an interest-free capital grant to the States.

The following table shows the distribution between the States of the programs for 1978-79 and 1979-80:

**Table 9—State Governments' Loan Council Programs, 1978-79 and 1979-80—State by State Distribution**

|                             | 1978-79    |                    |           | 1979-80    |                    |           | Total                   |   |
|-----------------------------|------------|--------------------|-----------|------------|--------------------|-----------|-------------------------|---|
|                             | Borrowings | Capital Grants (a) | Total     | Borrowings | Capital Grants (a) | Amount    | Percentage of Six State |   |
|                             |            |                    |           |            |                    |           | Total(b)                | % |
|                             | \$'000     | \$'000             | \$'000    | \$'000     | \$'000             | \$'000    |                         |   |
| New South Wales . . . . .   | 308 978    | 154 489            | 463 467   | 268 293    | 134 146            | 402 439   | 32.33                   |   |
| Victoria . . . . .          | 240 142    | 120 071            | 360 213   | 208 521    | 104 260            | 312 781   | 25.12                   |   |
| Queensland . . . . .        | 126 740    | 63 370             | 190 110   | 110 051    | 55 026             | 165 077   | 13.26                   |   |
| South Australia . . . . .   | 124 569    | 62 284             | 186 853   | 108 165    | 54 083             | 162 248   | 13.03                   |   |
| Western Australia . . . . . | (c)88 446  | (c)44 223          | 132 669   | 76 799     | 38 400             | 115 199   | 9.25                    |   |
| Tasmania . . . . .          | 66 992     | 33 496             | 100 488   | 58 171     | 29 085             | 87 256    | 7.01                    |   |
| Total . . . . .             | (c)955 867 | (c)477 933         | 1 433 800 | 830 000    | 415 000            | 1 245 000 | 100.00                  |   |

(a) Capital grants represent one-third of each State's total program, the same proportion as in 1978-79

(b) The same percentage allocation applied in 1978-79.

(c) The program figures shown here differ from the payment figures shown elsewhere in this paper because of a \$3 000 underpayment of the capital grant to Western Australia in 1977-78 and an adjusting payment in 1978-79.

*Financing of States' Borrowing Program and the Capital Grants*

As previously mentioned, all borrowings on behalf of the State Governments are, with limited exceptions, arranged by the Commonwealth.

When the proceeds of public borrowings available for this purpose are insufficient to finance the States' program the Commonwealth makes up the shortfall by subscribing the appropriate amount to a special loan, proceeds of which are allocated to the States. The amounts made available in this way

represent State debt. These special loans are raised on terms and conditions similar to those on Commonwealth Government securities on offer for public subscription in Australia, or, if no such securities are currently on offer, the securities most recently on offer. The effect of this arrangement is that, as necessary, the Commonwealth contributes amounts from its own resources to help finance the Loan Council program of the State Governments.

The borrowing program for the Commonwealth approved by the Loan Council includes an amount equal to the capital grant. The legislation authorising payment of the capital grant authorises the Treasurer to borrow the amount concerned, or to meet it wholly or in part from Consolidated Revenue Fund.

A summary of the financing of the States' Loan Council program since 1974-75 is given in Table 96 in Appendix II; Table 97 shows further details of the financing of the programs since 1974-75.

Following previous practice, the Commonwealth has undertaken to underwrite the total States' Loan Council program of \$1 245 million agreed for 1979-80, conditional on the States agreeing to the level of borrowing programs proposed by it for the States and for the States' and Commonwealth's larger authorities, and to certain arrangements designed to promote the raising of loans to finance the State Governments' program. On this basis, the Commonwealth will support the program in the following ways:—

- (a) by leaving to the States, to the extent necessary to complete their government borrowing program, the whole of the proceeds derived from public loan raisings by the Commonwealth in Australia (other than the net proceeds of Interest Equalisation Deposits, Treasury Notes and other borrowings for temporary purposes; and amounts applied to redemption of public securities (including Special Bonds and Australian Savings Bonds) that cannot be financed out of the National Debt Sinking Fund);
- (b) by arranging, to the maximum possible extent, for the redemption of maturing but unconverted State debt that cannot be met from State sinking funds; and
- (c) by making monthly advances to the States for the first eight months of the financial year against the borrowing component of the program at an annual rate not exceeding \$830 000 000, the position then to be reviewed and a tentative determination made, not later than February 1980, of the amount of any special loan assistance the Commonwealth may provide from its own resources. (The amount of the capital grants component of the program is paid to the States by equal monthly instalments.)

#### BORROWINGS BY STATE AUTHORITIES

Under the 'Gentlemen's Agreement', originating in 1936, the Loan Council approves an aggregate annual borrowing program for larger semi-government and local authorities. In 1979-80, larger authorities are defined as those borrowing



more than \$1.2 million in the financial year, the Loan Council having decided at its June 1979 meeting to increase the limit from \$1 million which had applied since 1977–78. The limit applying in 1976–77 was \$800 000; for information on the limits applying in years prior to that, *see* page 29 of 'Payments to or for the States and Local Government Authorities 1975–76'. Since 1962–63 no overall control has been set by the Loan Council on borrowings by smaller authorities, that is, authorities borrowing individually within the financial year up to the amounts mentioned above.

The total program approved for borrowings by the larger authorities of the States is distributed between the States by the Loan Council. Each State determines the distribution between its individual larger authorities of its share of the basic borrowing program approved for such authorities. From time to time, the Loan Council also approves special temporary additions to the programs of particular States to meet the requirements of specific projects, including under the special infrastructure financing guidelines (*see* below). The terms and conditions of loans raised by authorities under Loan Council approved borrowing programs are subject to Loan Council approval.

Borrowings by State 'smaller' authorities are also subject to the terms and conditions approved by the Loan Council under the 'Gentlemen's Agreement' and it is the responsibility of each government to ensure that its authorities conform to these terms and conditions.

For 1978–79, the Loan Council approved a borrowing program for the States' larger authorities of \$1 296.5 million (excluding additions for infrastructure financing—*see* below). This program was made up of a basic program of \$1 207 million, a special permanent addition for Western Australia of \$18 million to improve that State's per capita share of the basic program relative to the other States, and special temporary additions of:—

- \$20 million for New South Wales under arrangements made at the July 1977 Loan Council meeting, the same amount to be available for that State in each of the five years from 1977–78 to 1981–82;
- \$21 million for Queensland, consisting of \$5 million for the Gladstone power station and \$16 million for the Queensland Sugar Board against three-year programs of \$25 million and \$50 million respectively under arrangements made in 1977–78; and
- \$30.5 million for Western Australia, consisting of \$7 million for the Kwinana power station (representing the second approval against a program of \$24 million over three years under arrangements made at the July 1977 Loan Council meeting), \$9 million for further electric power development at Muja (representing the initial approval against a program of \$48 million over three years) and \$14.5 million for rehabilitation and upgrading of the railway between Kwinana and Koolyanobbing (representing the initial approval against a program of \$65 million over six years).

At its June 1979 meeting, the Loan Council approved a borrowing program for larger State authorities of \$1 301.6 million (excluding additions for infrastructure financing—*see* below). This comprises a basic program of \$1 225 million, and special temporary additions of:—

- \$20 million for New South Wales under arrangements made at the July 1977 Loan Council meeting;
- \$23 million for Queensland, consisting of \$4 million for the Gladstone power station and \$19 million for the Queensland Sugar Board under arrangements made in 1977–78; and
- \$33.6 million for Western Australia, consisting of \$1 million for the Kwinana power station under arrangements made at the July 1977 Loan Council meeting, and \$15 million for further electric power development at Muja and \$17.6 million for rehabilitation and upgrading of the railway between Kwinana and Koolyanobbing under arrangements made at the June 1978 Loan Council meeting.

Details of the States' larger authorities' programs for 1978–79 and 1979–80 (excluding additions for infrastructure financing—*see* below) are set out in the following table:

**Table 10—Larger Authorities' Programs (Excluding Infrastructure Financing), 1978-79 and 1979-80—State by State Distribution**

|                         | 1978-79          |                                |                  | 1979-80          |                                    |                                |                  |
|-------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|
|                         | Basic Program    | Special Temporary Additions(a) | Total            | Basic Program    | States' Shares of Basic Program(b) | Special Temporary Additions(a) | Total            |
|                         | \$'000           | \$'000                         | \$'000           | \$'000           | %                                  | \$'000                         | \$'000           |
| New South Wales . . .   | 452 746          | 20 000                         | 472 746          | 452 761          | 36.96                              | 20 000                         | 472 761          |
| Victoria . . .          | 382 645          | ..                             | 382 645          | 382 657          | 31.24                              | ..                             | 382 657          |
| Queensland . . .        | 223 256          | 21 000                         | 244 256          | 223 264          | 18.22                              | 23 000                         | 246 264          |
| South Australia . . .   | 56 828           | ..                             | 56 828           | 56 830           | 4.64                               | ..                             | 56 830           |
| Western Australia . . . | (c)75 041        | 30 500                         | 105 541          | 75 043           | 6.13                               | 33 649                         | 108 692          |
| Tasmania . . .          | 34 444           | ..                             | 34 444           | 34 445           | 2.81                               | ..                             | 34 445           |
| <b>Total . . .</b>      | <b>1 224 960</b> | <b>71 500</b>                  | <b>1 296 460</b> | <b>1 225 000</b> | <b>100.00</b>                      | <b>76 649</b>                  | <b>1 301 649</b> |

(a) A 'temporary' addition, unlike a 'permanent' addition, is not added to a State's share of the basic program for the purpose of determining the distribution of the following year's basic program between the States.

(b) The distribution of the basic program between the States in 1979–80 is the same as the distribution of the 1978–79 basic program.

(c) Includes a 'permanent' addition for Western Australia of \$18 million.

The States' smaller authorities' borrowings have increased substantially in recent years. In 1978–79 these borrowings amounted to \$419.5 million and are estimated by the States to total \$537.7 million in 1979–80, an increase of 28.2 per cent.

The borrowings of both larger and smaller authorities in each State in 1978–79 and previous years, the shares of the program for larger authorities in each State in 1979–80, and estimated borrowings by smaller authorities in 1979–80, are

shown in Table 91 in Appendix II. (This table also includes additions for infrastructure financing—see below.) Table 95 in that Appendix shows the amounts that have been borrowed by local government authorities from within the total borrowings of both larger and smaller authorities. Further reference to the borrowing arrangements for local government authorities is made in Chapter VI.

### *Special Additions for Infrastructure Financing*

At its June 1978 meeting, the Loan Council approved new guidelines for consideration by it of proposals for special additions to annual larger authorities' borrowing programs—the so-called 'semi-government programs'—for financing infrastructure. The guidelines cover both Commonwealth and State authorities. The guidelines also provide for consideration by the Loan Council of overseas borrowings in special circumstances by Commonwealth and State semi-government and local authorities. The new arrangements represent, in effect, an extension of the Gentlemen's Agreement which governs borrowings by these authorities. They do not relate to borrowings by Governments, which are of course subject to the Financial Agreement.

The Loan Council accepted the principle of a separate category of borrowings comprising special additions to semi-government programs, including forward approvals thereof, subject to such additions being confined to exceptional cases which:—

- could not be reasonably accommodated within resources normally available to the Government and the authority, under 'normal' Loan Council programs;
- are for the provision of services of kinds normally provided by Government or public utility enterprises;
- have special significance for development; and
- require outlay within a relatively short time span.

Under the guidelines, each proposal for a special addition is subject to careful examination by the Loan Council, including as to the viability of the proposed project, its special significance to the economic development of Australia, its importance and urgency, the extent to which the project will be funded from resources otherwise available to the authority concerned, and the need for the special addition. Approval by the Loan Council of a special addition under the infrastructure financing guidelines requires the agreement of a simple majority including the Commonwealth.

The guidelines also provide that, where the Loan Council has approved a special addition to a government's semi-government program, the government and authority concerned shall use their best endeavours to obtain the funds within Australia. However, in exceptional cases if, because of inability of the domestic market to provide the funds on satisfactory terms or because of advantages to be derived from project financing involving a mix of local and overseas funds, the

government concerned considers it desirable to arrange an overseas borrowing by the authority, it may seek the approval of the Loan Council to the arranging of such a borrowing.

Loan Council approval may also be sought for an overseas borrowing under a normal semi-government borrowing program where the government concerned can demonstrate that that program cannot be raised in Australia on satisfactory terms because of domestic market conditions.

In considering any proposal for an overseas borrowing, either under a special addition or a normal semi-government borrowing program, the Chairman, in view of the Commonwealth's overall economic management responsibilities, may take into account the implications of the proposed borrowing for the Commonwealth's fiscal policy, monetary policy and external policy objectives, and its own overseas borrowing activities.

In November 1978, the Loan Council considered a detailed report by State and Commonwealth officers on infrastructure financing proposals submitted by the States, and approved in principle a forward program of special additional borrowing authority, totalling about \$1.8 billion in June 1978 prices, in relation to twelve projects and spanning eight years commencing in 1978-79. The projects approved in principle, and the indicative amounts in June 1978 prices, comprised:—

- \$299 million for New South Wales for coal loaders at Balmain and Port Kembla (\$89 million) and the Eraring electricity project (\$210 million);
- \$399 million for Victoria for the Loy Yang electricity project (\$343 million) and a World Trade Centre (\$56 million);
- \$205 million for Queensland for a coal loader at Hay Point (\$75 million) and a number of power station projects (\$130 million);
- \$186 million for South Australia for a petrochemical project at Redcliff;
- \$568 million for Western Australia for a natural gas pipeline between Dampier and Perth (\$416 million), the integration of power supplies in the Pilbara region (\$111 million), and the Worsley alumina project (\$41 million); and
- \$110 million for Tasmania for hydro-electric power development (\$75 million) and a number of water supply projects (\$35 million).

Special borrowing additions approved in 1978-79 for financing these infrastructure projects were \$158 million. In the event, actual borrowings amounted to \$149 million, including \$143 million raised overseas.

At its June 1979 meeting, the Loan Council, on the basis of the approvals given in November 1978, determined firm amounts for the borrowing programs in 1979-80, taking account of rescheduling of some projects and of increases in costs between June 1978 and June 1979. The total amount of infrastructure program borrowings now approved for 1979-80 is \$400.7 million and includes \$8 million as the first element of a total \$68 million over the four years to

1982-83 approved in principle for the Brisbane metropolitan railway electrification project. A further approval was given in principle by the Loan Council to the inclusion under the infrastructure program of finance for the provision of power supply associated with the development of an alumina smelter at Portland, Victoria. Finance for this project is not expected to be required before 1980-81. These two projects are subject to further examination by officers and as noted above are additional to the program approved in November 1978.

Proposals to borrow overseas under the infrastructure borrowing programs will continue to be assessed case by case on the basis of the agreed guidelines.

Details of special infrastructure financing additions to the larger State authorities' programs for 1978-79 and 1979-80 are set out in the following table:

**Table 11—Infrastructure Financing Additions to Larger Authorities' Programs, 1978-79 and 1979-80—State by State Distribution**

|  | 1978-79                  |                                     | 1979-80                                 |
|--|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
|  | Approved in<br>Nov. 1978 | Actually<br>Borrowed <sup>(a)</sup> | Approved in<br>Jun. 1979 <sup>(b)</sup> |
|  | \$ million               | \$ million                          | \$ million                              |
| <b>New South Wales—</b>                        |                          |                                     |   |
| Coal loaders—Balmain and Port Kembla . . . . . | 24.0                     | 24.0                                | 35.0                                    |
| Eraring electricity project . . . . .          | 55.0                     | 55.0                                | 81.0                                    |
| <b>Victoria—</b>                               |                          |                                     |   |
| Loy Yang electricity project . . . . .         | 35.0                     | 35.0                                | 96.5                                    |
| World Trade Centre . . . . .                   | 10.0                     | 10.0                                | 17.3                                    |
| <b>Queensland—</b>                             |                          |                                     |   |
| Hay Point coal loaders . . . . .               | ..                       | ..                                  | 44.0                                    |
| Electricity projects . . . . .                 | ..                       | ..                                  | 76.0                                    |
| Brisbane railway electrification . . . . .     | ..                       | ..                                  | 8.0                                     |
| <b>South Australia—</b>                        |                          |                                     |   |
| Redcliff petrochemical project . . . . .       | ..                       | ..                                  | ..                                      |
| <b>Western Australia—</b>                      |                          |                                     |   |
| Dampier-Perth pipeline . . . . .               | ..                       | ..                                  | ..                                      |
| Pilbara electricity project . . . . .          | ..                       | ..                                  | 4.5                                     |
| Worsley alumina project . . . . .              | 9.0                      | ..                                  | 14.9                                    |
| <b>Tasmania—</b>                               |                          |                                     |   |
| Hydro-electric power . . . . .                 | 15.0                     | 15.0                                | 16.5                                    |
| Water supply projects . . . . .                | 10.0                     | 10.0                                | 7.0                                     |
| <b>TOTAL</b> . . . . .                         | <b>158.0</b>             | <b>149.0</b>                        | <b>400.7</b>                            |

(a) All borrowed overseas with the exception of \$5 million in respect of the Hydro-Electricity Commission of Tasmania and approximately \$1 million by the Rivers and Water Supply Commission of Tasmania.

(b) These amounts differ from those approved in November 1978 because of cost changes, rescheduling, deferment of the Redcliff petrochemical project, and the addition of the Brisbane railway electrification project.

## CHAPTER IV—SPECIFIC PURPOSE PAYMENTS TO THE STATES

The Commonwealth has provided financial assistance for certain specific types of expenditure by the States for many years. The present Government, in line with its Federalism policy, has been lessening the emphasis on specific purpose programs following the considerable expansion in this type of assistance in the first half of this decade.

This Chapter outlines specific purpose payments recently made, presently being made or proposed to be made, to the States. Table 84 in Appendix 1 of this paper shows aggregate specific purpose payments to each State since 1975–76 classified as to whether they were for recurrent or capital purposes and Table 2 in Chapter 1 classifies these and other payments by function.

The various payments in this Chapter are grouped under the functional headings used in the Statements attached to the Budget Speech—the only exceptions being that payments included in the 'Not Allocated to Function' category (namely, assistance related to State debts, assistance for local government and natural disaster relief) are shown under specific headings in appropriate places in the Chapter and that payments for Aboriginal Advancement are outlined together (in the functional statements these are distributed over a number of functions).

Details further to those provided in this Chapter on specific purpose payments made to the States for 'on-passing' to local government authorities are given in Chapter VI.

### ASSISTANCE RELATED TO STATE DEBTS

#### *Payments Under the Financial Agreement*

##### *Contributions to Interest on State Debts*

Under the Financial Agreement entered into by the Commonwealth and the States in 1927, the Commonwealth makes payments to the States expressed as a contribution towards interest payable on State debts. They are treated here as specific purpose grants, although they have some of the characteristics of grants for general purposes. In fact, the payments superseded the general revenue grants of \$2.50 per head of the population of each State made in the period 1910–11 to 1926–27 under the *Surplus Revenue Act* 1910. (See Appendix II of 'Payments to or for the States and Local Government Authorities 1975–76'.)

Each year the total payment is \$15.17 million, the amount that was payable in 1926–27 under that Act. The contribution is apportioned between the States in the same way as the 1926–27 *per capita* grant and is to continue for 58 years from 1 July 1927 (that is, until 1985). It is distributed among the States as shown in the following table:

Table 12—Interest Payments on State Debts (\$ thousands)

|                   |        |
|-------------------|--------|
| New South Wales   | 5 835  |
| Victoria          | 4 254  |
| Queensland        | 2 192  |
| South Australia   | 1 408  |
| Western Australia | 947    |
| Tasmania          | 534    |
| Total             | 15 170 |

### *Sinking Fund Contributions*

The Financial Agreement of 1927 established arrangements for the payment of sinking fund contributions, by both the Commonwealth and State Governments, in respect of State debt or debt incurred on behalf of the States. These arrangements, with relatively minor amendments, applied from 1927-28 to 1974-75 and are summarised on page 36 of 'Payments to or for the States and Local Government Authorities 1974-75'.

Amendments to the Financial Agreement which were ratified by the Parliaments of the Commonwealth and the States over the course of 1975-76 (the relevant Commonwealth legislation being the *Financial Agreement Act 1976*), and which had retrospective effect to 30 June 1975, provide for new sinking fund arrangements in respect of State debt that may be briefly summarised as follows:

- (i) Specified contributions were made by the States (\$121.5 million) and by the Commonwealth (\$30.2 million) in 1975-76.
- (ii) For the next nine years (ten in the case of New South Wales) the contributions will equal the amounts referred to in (i) adjusted by a percentage of the difference between each State's net debt at 30 June 1975 and the net debt at 30 June immediately preceding the year of contribution; the percentage is 1.20 for State contributions and 0.28 for Commonwealth contributions.
- (iii) As from and including 1985-86 (1986-87 in the case of New South Wales) the contributions by each State will equal 0.85 per cent of its net debt at the preceding 30 June and the Commonwealth's contribution will be 0.28 per cent.

The Financial Agreement amendments also gave effect to the transfer of \$1000 million of State debt to the Commonwealth from 30 June 1975. (See page 34 of 'Payments to or for the States and Local Government Authorities 1975-76'.)

Further details of sinking fund arrangements may be found in the annual reports of the National Debt Commission.

The following table shows the Commonwealth's contributions to the sinking fund on States' debts from 1975-76, including estimated contributions to be made in 1979-80:

**Table 13—Sinking Fund Payments under the Financial Agreement, 1975-76 to 1979-80**  
(\$ thousands)

|                    | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total  |
|--------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|--------|
| 1975-76            | 9 900           | 7 500    | 3 900      | 4 000           | 2 800             | 2 100    | 30 200 |
| 1976-77            | 10 506          | 8 003    | 4 165      | 3 911           | 2 981             | 2 069    | 31 635 |
| 1977-78            | 11 168          | 8 540    | 4 447      | 4 191           | 3 175             | 2 225    | 33 747 |
| 1978-79            | 11 876          | 9 098    | 4 740      | 4 483           | 3 377             | 2 386    | 35 959 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) | 12 599          | 9 652    | 5 029      | 4 756           | 3 583             | 2 531    | 38 149 |

## DEFENCE

### *Housing for Servicemen*

Under successive Commonwealth-State Housing Agreements provision was made from 1956-57 to 1970-71 for certain of the funds advanced annually to the States for housing to be devoted to the erection of dwellings for serving members of the Defence Force. (For further details *see* page 35 of 'Payments to or for the States and Local Government Authorities 1975-76'.)

Present arrangements were agreed between the Commonwealth and States in 1972 and embodied in the Commonwealth-State Housing Agreement (Servicemen) 1972. By an amending agreement currently being ratified, these arrangements are to be extended to June 1981. Funds for erection of housing for servicemen in the States are provided under the arrangements by way of advances repayable over 53 years and attract an interest rate equal to the long-term bond rate when the advances are made.

The following table shows the amount provided to the States since 1975-76 and estimates for 1979-80:

**Table 14—Advances for Housing for Servicemen, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|                              | New<br>South<br>Wales | Victoria | Queens-<br>land | South<br>Australia | Western<br>Australia | Tasmania | Total  |
|------------------------------|-----------------------|----------|-----------------|--------------------|----------------------|----------|--------|
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 18 005                | 6 082    | 7 500           | 1 725              | 698                  | 160      | 34 170 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 15 280                | 4 191    | 12 300          | 2 107              | 1 230                | 6        | 35 114 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 7 947                 | 753      | 12 500          | 1 317              | 2                    | ..       | 22 519 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 5 423                 | 948      | 5 229           | ..                 | ..                   | ..       | 11 600 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 865                   | 290      | 286             | 20                 | 46                   | ..       | 1 507  |

### *Assistance to State Emergency Services*

The Natural Disasters Organisation, which was formally established in 1974, is responsible for co-ordinating physical assistance provided by the Commonwealth (including that provided by the armed services) with the efforts made by State emergency services and local and voluntary organisations to cope with major natural disasters.

The Organisation also has the function of supervising the provision of assistance to State Emergency Services, for the purpose of strengthening those services. Following is a summary of assistance which is being provided by the Commonwealth:

- (i) grants are made to the States to meet the cost of salaries of an agreed number of State Emergency Services' personnel at Division or District headquarters (this assistance was first provided in 1974-75);
- (ii) grants are made to subsidise disaster protection—specifically, levee banks, drains and firebreaks—and to provide depots for emergency service units at the local level;



- (iii) under a practice of some years' standing, capital equipment is provided to the State organisations. Equipment valued at \$1.08 million was provided in 1978-79 and the estimated value of equipment to be provided in 1979-80 is \$1.13 million;
- (iv) the Commonwealth meets the costs of State Government personnel travelling to attend courses at the Australian Counter Disaster College at Mt Macedon; and
- (v) other forms of assistance are provided from time to time.

Of these forms of assistance, those summarised as (i) and (ii) above are classified as payments to or for the States for purposes of this and other budget papers; they are both regarded as being recurrent payments for purposes of this paper. The following table shows payments made for these purposes and estimated payments in 1979-80:

**Table 15—Grants for State Emergency Services, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|                                   | New<br>South<br>Wales | Victoria | Queens-<br>land | South<br>Australia | Western<br>Australia | Tasmania | Total |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|----------|-----------------|--------------------|----------------------|----------|-------|
| <b>SALARIES OF PERSONNEL</b>      |                       |          |                 |                    |                      |          |       |
| 1975-76 . . . . .                 | 278                   | 119      | 203             | ..                 | ..                   | 53       | 653   |
| 1976-77 . . . . .                 | 323                   | 220      | 256             | ..                 | 13                   | 67       | 879   |
| 1977-78 . . . . .                 | 385                   | 269      | 323             | ..                 | 37                   | 62       | 1 076 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .                 | 414                   | 338      | 337             | 6                  | 61                   | 75       | 1 230 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . .      | 425                   | 300      | 338             | 35                 | 60                   | 72       | 1 230 |
| <b>PROTECTION AND OTHER WORKS</b> |                       |          |                 |                    |                      |          |       |
| 1975-76 . . . . .                 | 20                    | ..       | 66              | 8                  | ..                   | ..       | 94    |
| 1976-77 . . . . .                 | 32                    | 40       | 46              | 5                  | 24                   | 2        | 149   |
| 1977-78 . . . . .                 | 70                    | 34       | 56              | ..                 | 13                   | 1        | 174   |
| 1978-79 . . . . .                 | 59                    | 32       | 36              | 9                  | 16                   | 9        | 160   |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . .      | 61                    | 33       | 37              | 9                  | 15                   | 9        | 164   |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                      |                       |          |                 |                    |                      |          |       |
| 1975-76 . . . . .                 | 298                   | 119      | 269             | 8                  | ..                   | 53       | 747   |
| 1976-77 . . . . .                 | 355                   | 260      | 302             | 5                  | 37                   | 69       | 1 028 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .                 | 455                   | 303      | 379             | ..                 | 50                   | 63       | 1 250 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .                 | 472                   | 370      | 373             | 15                 | 77                   | 83       | 1 390 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . .      | 486                   | 333      | 375             | 44                 | 75                   | 81       | 1 394 |

#### *Special Assistance to Exmouth Shire*

In 1975 the Western Australian Government sought assistance towards the operational costs of the Exmouth Shire, which provides support to the United States Communications Station at North West Cape.

Payments totalling \$0.79 million to 30 June 1979, including \$0.35 million in 1978-79, have been made to Western Australia for the Exmouth Shire from Department of Defence Appropriations. An amount of \$0.35 million is being provided against the requirement for further assistance in 1979-80. Further details are provided in Chapter VI.

## EDUCATION

Grants to the States for education began with assistance for the recurrent expenditures of universities in 1951–52. The area of assistance was progressively extended, and the magnitude of Commonwealth assistance in particular areas has also been increased, the most notable examples being the assumption by the Commonwealth of full financial responsibility for tertiary education in 1973–74 (previously expenditure in this area had been shared between the Commonwealth and State Governments), and the substantially increased assistance for schools as from 1973–74 and for technical and further education as from 1974–75. As a result of these various developments, payments to the States for education have grown rapidly—for example, from \$259.4 million in 1972–73 to \$1914.4 million in 1978–79, and an estimated \$1946.8 million in 1979–80.

In recent years a number of changes have been made to the arrangements for payments to the States in the four broad areas of education—universities, colleges of advanced education, technical and further education, and schools. In 1977 a three-year rolling program was adopted involving the determination of a firm allocation in the Budget context for the first year of the period and planning guidelines for the second and third years with no financial commitment until each, in turn, becomes 'Year One' of the rolling program.

As from 1979, however, fixed triennial funding arrangements have been adopted in respect of recurrent grants (other than equipment grants) for universities and colleges of advanced education to facilitate forward planning in these areas. Equipment and capital grants continue to be determined annually. Funding arrangements for technical and further education are to be considered further in the context of the Commonwealth's current review of the Report of the Williams Committee of Inquiry into Education and Training. Rolling program arrangements have been maintained for payments to the States for schools.

Cost supplementation arrangements for 1980 will continue to be confined to the wages and salaries component of recurrent programs, including the fees reimbursement component in the technical and further education assistance.

However, because the respective Commissions will not report in time for the Budget it is not possible to give precise estimates, for the four areas of assistance, of total grants in 1979–80 including amounts to allow for cost increases beyond 30 June 1979.

The figures for 1979–80 given in Tables 16 through 19 below, in respect of the four areas, are therefore generally on the basis of estimated June 1979 cost levels, and there will be additions to the amounts shown in those tables on account of cost supplementation for which an amount of \$95 million has been allowed in the Budget. This is a broadly determined figure and it is not possible to give a break-down of it as between the areas of assistance concerned, except to indicate approximately \$70 million would be in respect of the tertiary education sector and \$25 million in respect of the schools program. For purposes of this paper, an arbitrary allocation of \$80 million to recurrent grants and \$15 million to capital grants has been made and this has been allocated between States in proportion to recurrent and capital grants for education respectively.

## *Tertiary Education*

The *Tertiary Education Commission Act 1977* established the Tertiary Education Commission as a replacement for the three former Commissions—the Universities Commission, the Commission on Advanced Education and the Technical and Further Education Commission. The areas with which these former Commissions were concerned are now dealt with by separate Councils within the new Commission, which has the object of promoting balanced and co-ordinated development of tertiary education throughout Australia. In particular, the programs of assistance to the States towards these areas are administered by the Commission.

The Government's decisions on the 1979 programs were taken in accordance with the new fixed triennial funding arrangements. The programs of assistance to the States for that year for universities, colleges of advanced education and technical and further education institutions were authorised under the *States Grants (Tertiary Education Assistance) Act 1978*.

In June 1979, the Government announced base levels of expenditure for 1980 (ie, before allowances for cost increases during the year) and relevant amounts where appropriate for 1981. For universities and colleges of advanced education, recurrent funds are to be maintained at approximately the same real level in 1980 as in 1979, reflecting a projected stable level of enrolments, and in line with the Government's triennial funding commitment. Capital and equipment funds are to be reduced by 15.5 per cent in real terms in 1980, consistent with stabilised enrolments. For the technical and further education sector, there is to be an overall increase of 10.7 per cent in assistance in 1980.

For 1981, recurrent grants (other than equipment grants) for universities and colleges of advanced education again have been set at the same overall level in real terms as those approved for 1980. As indicated above, for technical and further education, the base program for 1981 is to be determined in the light of the Government's consideration of the report of the Williams Committee of Inquiry into Education and Training.

The percentages referred to above in this section relate to the total programs which are the subject of recommendations by the Commission. In the case of universities and colleges of advanced education, these programs relate to institutions in the Territories as well as the States but, in the case of technical and further education, they exclude the Australian Capital Territory.

### *Universities*

Assistance to the States for the recurrent expenditures of universities dates from 1951–52; in 1957–58 assistance was first given for expenditure on capital programs. In 1973–74 the Commonwealth assumed full financial responsibility in this area.

The program of financial assistance to the States for universities in 1980 amounts to \$665.3 million at estimated June 1979 prices. The allocation for 1979–80 is \$666.7 million, again at estimated June 1979 prices.

The following table shows grants to the States for universities since 1975-76 and the estimated grants for 1979-80 at estimated June 1979 prices:

**Table 16—Grants for Universities(a), 1975-76 to 1979-80**  
(S thousands)

|                              | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total   |
|------------------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|---------|
| <b>RECURRENT</b>             |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |         |
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 168 831         | 110 717  | 57 185     | 43 107          | 32 891            | 13 658   | 426 389 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 199 633         | 134 763  | 69 427     | 51 000          | 40 794            | 15 939   | 511 556 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 222 893         | 152 808  | 78 127     | 56 872          | 46 532            | 17 234   | 574 465 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 230 197         | 158 860  | 80 980     | 57 917          | 48 318            | 18 315   | 594 587 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 239 900         | 164 500  | 85 100     | 59 900          | 50 500            | 19 200   | 619 100 |
| <b>CAPITAL</b>               |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |         |
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 21 754          | 9 516    | 6 453      | 3 421           | 5 094             | 2 589    | 48 827  |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 17 552          | 10 459   | 11 637     | 6 427           | 9 822             | 1 061    | 56 958  |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 17 909          | 11 842   | 7 335      | 6 634           | 7 664             | 1 008    | 52 392  |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 21 840          | 10 849   | 6 042      | 6 439           | 5 185             | 788      | 51 143  |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 22 200          | 9 600    | 8 100      | 3 400           | 3 400             | 900      | 47 600  |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                 |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |         |
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 190 585         | 120 233  | 63 638     | 46 528          | 37 985            | 16 247   | 475 216 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 217 185         | 145 222  | 81 064     | 57 427          | 50 616            | 17 000   | 568 514 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 240 802         | 164 650  | 85 462     | 63 506          | 54 196            | 18 242   | 626 858 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 252 037         | 169 709  | 87 022     | 64 356          | 53 503            | 19 103   | 645 730 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 262 100         | 174 100  | 93 200     | 63 300          | 53 900            | 20 100   | 666 700 |

(a) Estimates only for 1979-80. Final amounts will be determined following recommendations of the Tertiary Education Commission to the Government on grants for 1980. In addition, the estimates shown do not include amounts to be paid on account of cost supplementation; see introductory paragraphs to the 'Education' section.

### *Colleges of Advanced Education (including Teachers Colleges)*

Assistance to the States for colleges of advanced education began in March 1965 when the Commonwealth agreed, as an interim measure, to provide capital grants during the remainder of the 1964-66 period. From the start of the 1967-69 triennium, assistance was extended to include recurrent grants. Grants to the States have been made since 1967-68 for teachers colleges and since 1968-69 for pre-school teachers colleges. Prior to July 1973 these grants were provided under separate programs, but since then they have been absorbed into the program of grants for colleges of advanced education.

The program of financial assistance to the States for colleges of advanced education in 1980 amounts to \$469.5 million at estimated June 1979 prices. The allocation for 1979-80 is \$475.7 million, again at estimated June 1979 prices.

The following table shows grants to the States for colleges since 1975-76 and the estimated grants for 1979-80 at estimated June 1979 prices:

**Table 17—Grants for Colleges of Advanced Education and Teachers' Colleges(a), 1975-76 to 1979-80**  
(\$ thousands)

|                              | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total   |
|------------------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|---------|
| <b>RECURRENT</b>             |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |         |
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 69 089          | 111 307  | 33 999     | 28 838          | 36 522            | 7 011    | 286 766 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 90 831          | 135 960  | 48 962     | 38 221          | 46 242            | 8 678    | 368 894 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 98 303          | 141 522  | 56 616     | 41 724          | 48 080            | 9 256    | 395 501 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 105 103         | 146 456  | 60 465     | 42 477          | 49 560            | 9 436    | 413 497 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 109 100         | 152 600  | 64 000     | 44 500          | 50 700            | 9 600    | 430 500 |
| <b>CAPITAL</b>               |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |         |
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 23 716          | 34 313   | 9 181      | 6 886           | 7 344             | 5 313    | 86 753  |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 27 200          | 25 971   | 14 630     | 4 276           | 5 074             | 404      | 77 555  |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 11 886          | 18 968   | 7 899      | 8 457           | 5 198             | 1 598    | 54 006  |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 20 070          | 23 112   | 10 712     | 5 177           | 5 863             | 3 221    | 68 155  |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 12 800          | 19 700   | 4 800      | 4 300           | 2 800             | 800      | 45 200  |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                 |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |         |
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 92 805          | 145 620  | 43 180     | 35 724          | 43 866            | 12 324   | 373 519 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 118 031         | 161 931  | 63 592     | 42 497          | 51 316            | 9 082    | 446 449 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 110 189         | 160 490  | 64 515     | 50 181          | 53 278            | 10 854   | 449 507 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 125 174         | 169 568  | 71 177     | 47 654          | 55 423            | 12 657   | 481 653 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 121 900         | 172 300  | 68 800     | 48 800          | 53 500            | 10 400   | 475 700 |

(a) Estimates only for 1979-80. Final amounts will be determined following recommendations of the Tertiary Education Commission to the Government on grants for 1980. In addition, the estimates shown do not include amounts to be paid on account of cost supplementation; see introductory paragraphs to the 'Education' section.

### *Technical and Further Education*

Assistance to the States for technical and further education, first provided in 1964-65, has been directed towards enhancing the quality and extending the availability of technical and further education, and compensating the States for not levying fees.

Grants are made on the understanding that the States do not reduce the levels of activity financed from their own resources.

The program of financial assistance to the States in 1980 amounts to \$140.9 million at estimated June 1979 prices, including a \$17.1 million further instalment on a Government undertaking to provide an additional \$50 million (at June 1977 prices) for capital works over the period 1979-81. The allocation for 1979-80 is \$132.6 million, at estimated June 1979 prices.

The following table shows grants to the States for technical and further education since 1975-76 and the estimated grants for 1979-80 at estimated June 1979 prices:

**Table 18—Grants for Technical and Further Education(a), 1975-76 to 1979-80**  
(\$ thousands)

|                              | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total   |
|------------------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|---------|
| <b>RECURRENT</b>             |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |         |
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 17 652          | 9 653    | 4 643      | 3 770           | 3 322             | 1 087    | 40 127  |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 16 714          | 13 866   | 4 538      | 4 502           | 3 607             | 969      | 44 194  |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 19 184          | 11 163   | 4 885      | 4 737           | 4 521             | 1 110    | 45 600  |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 21 061          | 13 509   | 5 222      | 5 116           | 5 160             | 1 673    | 51 741  |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 23 000          | 15 304   | 6 270      | 6 140           | 6 000             | 1 930    | 58 644  |
| <b>CAPITAL</b>               |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |         |
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 8 919           | 7 376    | 3 334      | 1 208           | 2 876             | 887      | 24 600  |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 12 262          | 9 333    | 4 439      | 2 320           | 3 690             | 1 664    | 33 708  |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 15 162          | 12 728   | 8 735      | 4 837           | 2 993             | 1 970    | 46 425  |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 19 279          | 19 592   | 15 078     | 6 901           | 3 726             | 394      | 64 970  |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 23 700          | 19 800   | 12 600     | 8 900           | 6 800             | 2 200    | 74 000  |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                 |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |         |
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 26 571          | 17 029   | 7 977      | 4 978           | 6 198             | 1 974    | 64 727  |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 28 976          | 23 199   | 8 976      | 6 822           | 7 296             | 2 633    | 77 903  |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 34 346          | 23 891   | 13 620     | 9 574           | 7 514             | 3 080    | 92 025  |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 40 340          | 33 101   | 20 300     | 12 017          | 8 886             | 2 067    | 116 711 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 46 700          | 35 104   | 18 870     | 15 040          | 12 800            | 4 130    | 132 644 |

(a) Estimates only for 1979-80. Final amounts will be determined following recommendations of the Schools Commission to the Government on grants for 1980. In addition, the estimates shown do not include amounts to be paid on account of cost supplementation; see introductory paragraphs to the 'Education' section.

### Schools

The Commonwealth has been providing assistance for schools in the States since 1964-65 when it provided grants for science laboratories and equipment. The range of assistance was progressively extended and by 1975-76 the Commonwealth was providing grants for both government and non-government schools in a number of categories: general recurrent grants, general building grants and grants for science laboratories and equipment, primary and secondary school libraries, schools for handicapped children, disadvantaged schools, migrant children, teacher development, innovatory projects and information programs.

The Schools Commission, established by the *Schools Commission Act 1973*, administers these programs of assistance.

Three-year rolling program arrangements have applied to assistance for schools in the States since 1977. Under these arrangements an amount of \$658.4 million (at estimated June 1979 prices) will be provided as the base program of assistance in 1980.

Planning guidelines provided for 1981 and 1982 under the rolling program arrangements allow for the maintenance of the same level of funds in real terms as those allocated for the 1980 base program.

The following table shows grants to the States for schools since 1975-76 and the estimated grants for 1979-80 at estimated June 1979 prices:

**Table 19—Grants for Government and Non-Government Schools(a), 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|                              | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total   |
|------------------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|---------|
| <b>RECURRENT</b>             |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |         |
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 125 395         | 100 354  | 46 162     | 27 452          | 23 194            | 9 327    | 331 885 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 151 153         | 134 939  | 56 058     | 35 038          | 33 520            | 11 049   | 421 758 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 171 540         | 138 250  | 59 853     | 38 566          | 35 293            | 12 120   | 455 622 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 180 739         | 152 062  | 66 818     | 39 746          | 38 741            | 13 290   | 491 395 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 189 741         | 160 567  | 71 750     | 42 775          | 42 275            | 13 891   | 520 999 |
| <b>CAPITAL</b>               |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |         |
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 45 886          | 49 285   | 22 363     | 11 056          | 10 564            | 4 477    | 143 631 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 48 683          | 45 056   | 28 090     | 14 672          | 6 999             | 4 266    | 147 766 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 57 952          | 51 273   | 34 263     | 17 069          | 16 713            | 6 187    | 183 457 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 58 954          | 48 993   | 29 475     | 16 178          | 20 971            | 4 385    | 178 956 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 52 900          | 43 639   | 24 476     | 13 718          | 11 977            | 3 975    | 150 685 |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                 |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |         |
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 171 281         | 149 639  | 68 525     | 38 508          | 33 758            | 13 804   | 475 516 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 199 837         | 179 995  | 84 148     | 49 711          | 40 519            | 15 314   | 569 524 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 229 492         | 189 523  | 94 116     | 55 635          | 52 006            | 18 307   | 639 080 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 239 693         | 201 055  | 96 293     | 55 924          | 59 712            | 17 674   | 670 351 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 242 641         | 204 205  | 96 226     | 56 494          | 54 251            | 17 866   | 671 684 |

(a) Estimates only for 1979-80. Final amounts will be determined following recommendations of the Schools Commission to the Government on grants for 1980. In addition, the estimates shown do not include amounts to be paid on account of cost supplementation: see introductory paragraphs to the 'Education' section.

### *Child Migrant and Refugee Education*

Grants are provided by the Commonwealth to the States for child migrant education in schools. Until 1976, they were made available under the *Immigration (Education) Act 1971*. Since then almost all of the program of assistance has been subsumed within the general recurrent grants programs administered by the Schools Commission (see above). Grants under the *Immigration (Education) Act* are now only provided for the purpose of initial special instruction of refugee children who arrive during the course of a school year, and for the purchase of materials. The increased expenditure shown below for 1979-80 is to cater for the recent increase in refugee arrivals and the further increase in intake agreed to for the year.

For the period 1973-74 to 1976-77, assistance was also provided to the States under the Act for the construction of portable supplementary classrooms to accommodate the increased number of students needing special language instruction in government and non-government schools. Since 1978-79 funds have been provided on an emergency basis to assist government and non-government school systems to provide accommodation, where it is not already available, for newly arrived refugee children. These funds are for expenditure on activities such as the transport, erection and repair costs of portable classrooms provided by the school authorities.

The Commonwealth also reimburses the States for the cost of certain adult migrant education services. These reimbursements are regarded as payments for services rendered and are not, therefore, classified as payments to the States. In addition Commonwealth funds provided since 1978-79 for portable classrooms for adults are not classified as payments to the States.

The following table shows grants paid to the States for child migrant education, other than under the Schools Commission program, since 1975-76 and estimates for 1979-80:

**Table 20—Grants for Child Migrant and Refugee Education (other than under the Schools Commission Programs)(a), 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|                                  | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|-------|
| RECURRENT                        |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |       |
| 1975-76 . . . . .                | 2 720           | 3 559    | 195        | 514             | 233               | 149      | 7 371 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .                | 67              | 46       | 2          | 22              | 2                 | 2        | 140   |
| 1977-78 . . . . .                | 165             | 41       | 15         | 16              | 41                | ..       | 278   |
| 1978-79 . . . . .                | 727             | 521      | 172        | 180             | 140               | ..       | 1 740 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) (b) . . . . . | 955             | 885      | 165        | 165             | 165               | 50       | 2 385 |
| CAPITAL                          |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |       |
| 1975-76 . . . . .                | 405             | 943      | 11         | 275             | —9                | 45       | 1 670 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .                | 2               | 5        | ..         | 31              | ..                | ..       | 39    |
| 1977-78 . . . . .                | ..              | ..       | ..         | ..              | ..                | ..       | ..    |
| 1978-79 . . . . .                | ..              | 88       | 40         | ..              | ..                | ..       | 129   |
| 1979-80 (estimate) (b) . . . . . | 100             | 50       | 50         | 40              | 40                | ..       | 280   |
| TOTAL                            |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |       |
| 1975-76 . . . . .                | 3 125           | 4 502    | 206        | 789             | 224               | 194      | 9 041 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .                | 69              | 51       | 2          | 53              | 2                 | 2        | 179   |
| 1977-78 . . . . .                | 165             | 41       | 15         | 16              | 41                | ..       | 278   |
| 1978-79 . . . . .                | 727             | 609      | 212        | 180             | 140               | ..       | 1 869 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) (b) . . . . . | 1 055           | 935      | 215        | 205             | 205               | 50       | 2 665 |

(a) Payments under the Schools Commission Program, commencing in January 1976, are included in the overall figures shown in Table 18.

(b) 1979-80 amounts are preliminary estimates only. Final amounts will be determined by the circumstances and the actual number of refugee school children in need of emergency assistance.

### *Educational Research*

Grants to the States for the purposes of educational research are made under the *Education Research Act 1970*. For this purpose, the Education Research and Development Committee advises the Minister for Education on priorities in educational research and makes recommendations on allocations of financial support for educational research projects proposed to it or commissioned by it. The Committee is also required to advise the Minister on any other means for the improvement of educational research, its development and the application of results in Australia.

\$1.03 million has been approved for 1979-80 and, of this, it is estimated that \$0.8 million will be made available to the States on the recommendations of the Committee.



Under the Act payments are also being made to the States for research commissioned by the Minister for Education. These payments are in addition to the activities of the Education Research and Development Committee.

The following table shows grants to the States for educational research since 1975-76 and estimated grants in 1979-80:

**Table 21—Grants for Recurrent Expenditure on Educational Research, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|                       | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total |
|-----------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|-------|
| 1975-76               | 253             | 431      | 190        | 116             | 59                | 14       | 1 062 |
| 1976-77               | 259             | 314      | 216        | 139             | 70                | 14       | 1 012 |
| 1977-78               | 184             | 240      | 166        | 135             | 75                | 9        | 809   |
| 1978-79               | 159             | 302      | 131        | 124             | 74                | 11       | 801   |
| 1979-80 (estimate)(a) | 194             | 262      | 188        | 145             | 81                | 10       | 880   |

(a) Preliminary estimates only.

## HEALTH

The Commonwealth has been providing assistance to the States for health services and facilities since 1949-50, when it began providing grants for the control of tuberculosis. Grants of relatively minor amounts have also been made for blood transfusion services since 1953-54, for the disposal of ships' garbage since 1966-67 and for nursing homes and certain health education services since 1970-71.

During this decade, however, the level and extent of Commonwealth assistance to the States for health have increased dramatically, with a number of new continuing programs being initiated. The most significant of these is the scheme for sharing net operating costs of recognised hospitals in the States.

Payments to the States for health purposes have consequently risen rapidly—from \$21 million in 1972-73 to \$1132.1 million in 1978-79. The estimated payments in 1979-80 are \$1279.1 million.

### *Health Insurance Program*

Section 30 of the *Health Insurance Act 1973* authorised the Commonwealth to enter into agreements with State Governments 'for the provision of hospital services' by the States.

South Australia and Tasmania entered into such agreements with effect from 1 July 1975, Victoria and Western Australia from 1 August 1975, Queensland from 1 September 1975 and New South Wales from 1 October 1975.

Under these arrangements, the States provided free standard ward public hospital treatment without means test and free public hospital outpatient services. There were agreed arrangements in respect of charges in wards other than standard wards.

In very much abbreviated terms, the agreements provided that the Commonwealth meet 50 per cent of the net recurrent costs of hospitals referred to as 'recognised' hospitals in the agreements.

Payments under the agreement were suspended in May 1976, following legal advice that the agreements were invalid. Up to that date, the Commonwealth had already made payments totalling \$575.2 million.

As an interim measure, until new cost-sharing arrangements were negotiated with the States as part of the new health insurance arrangements that were to apply from 1 October 1976, the *States Grants (Hospital Operating Costs) Act 1976* authorised the payment of up to \$315 million to the States to meet 50 per cent of net operating costs of hospitals incurred before 1 October 1976. Of this amount, \$294.5 million was paid to the States in 1975-76 to meet the estimated payments that would have been made to the States from 25 May to 30 September 1976 had the former agreements not been declared invalid. It was estimated that \$215.6 million of that amount would have been paid in ordinary circumstances in 1976-77.

New cost-sharing arrangements under the *Health Insurance Act 1973* were negotiated with the States and became effective on 1 October 1976. Apart from revisions to relevant charges and to conditions in respect of free hospital treatment, the main change from the previous arrangement was that the Commonwealth now meets 50 per cent of budgets approved by the Commonwealth and State Health Ministers. From 1 November 1978, eligible persons without hospital insurance are entitled to free standard ward accommodation and treatment. Agreements with four of the States (New South Wales, Victoria, Queensland and Western Australia) end on 30 June 1980 and with the two remaining States (South Australia and Tasmania) on 30 June 1985.

The following table shows payments made to the States since the scheme was introduced in 1975-76 and estimated payments to be made in 1979-80 under the *Health Insurance Act 1973*:

**Table 22—Payments for Recurrent Costs of State Public Hospitals, 1975-76 to 1979-80**  
(\$ thousands)

|                       | New<br>South<br>Wales | Victoria | Queens-<br>land | South<br>Australia | Western<br>Australia | Tasmania | Total      |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------|-----------------|--------------------|----------------------|----------|------------|
| 1975-76(a)            | 317 177               | 229 570  | 102 820         | 92 367             | 96 745               | 31 000   | (b)869 679 |
| 1976-77(a)            | 234 399               | 149 903  | 82 883          | 69 394             | 74 674               | 18 918   | 630 171    |
| 1977-78               | 346 438               | 228 557  | 126 960         | 101 659            | 110 449              | 31 621   | 945 682    |
| 1978-79               | 383 785               | 252 575  | 139 314         | 104 287            | 117 017              | 33 176   | 1 030 155  |
| 1979-80 (estimate)(c) | 438 000               | 278 000  | 155 000         | 114 000            | 128 000              | 38 000   | 1 151 000  |

(a) Includes payments under the *States Grants (Hospital Operating Costs) Act 1976*.

(b) Includes prepayments of \$215.6 million; see above.

(c) At the time of preparation, hospital budgets for 1979-80 had not been formally approved under the Commonwealth/State hospital cost-sharing agreements.

### *Launceston General Hospital*

Under an agreement with the Tasmanian Government, the Commonwealth is continuing to meet 50 per cent of the approved costs of Stage 1 of the redevelopment of the Launceston General Hospital. Payments to Tasmania for this purpose from 1976-77 to 1978-79 have totalled \$9.35 million. The estimated amount to be provided in 1979-80 is \$5.5 million.

### *Community Health Facilities and Services*

The Government is continuing to provide grants in 1979-80 to the States and other eligible organisations under the Community Health Program which commenced in 1973.

The Commonwealth now meets 50 per cent of recurrent and capital costs of approved projects, except in respect of recurrent costs of women's refuges where funds allocated through the States are provided at the rate of up to 75 per cent. In addition, the Commonwealth meets the full cost of those community health projects that have an Australia-wide application.

Arising out of its consideration of the Galbally Report on Post-arrival Services for Migrants, the Government has now offered to the States special funding through the Community Health Program for the employment of ethnic health workers and interpreters and translators. The costs of employing such persons would be fully funded by the Commonwealth in 1979-80.

Grants were also paid to the States under the *Mental Health and Related Services Assistance Act* 1973, for the period 1973-74 to 1975-76. Assistance for projects encompassed by that Act has since been subsumed within the Community Health Program.

The following table shows payments that have been made to the States under both programs taken together since 1975-76 and estimated payments in 1979-80:

**Table 23—Grants for Community Health Facilities, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|                                    | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total  |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|--------|
| RECURRENT                          |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |        |
| 1975-76 . . . . .                  | 19 284          | 7 712    | 3 643      | 1 976           | 1 738             | 1 265    | 35 618 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .                  | 25 606          | 11 355   | 4 797      | 3 720           | 2 916             | 2 038    | 50 432 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .                  | 27 118          | 14 239   | 5 190      | 3 655           | 4 366             | 2 306    | 56 874 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .                  | 17 203          | 10 528   | 4 979      | 3 205           | 3 748             | 1 868    | 41 532 |
| 1979-80 (estimate)(a)(b) . . . . . | 20 270          | 13 680   | 5 575      | 3 440           | 4 620             | 2 075    | 49 660 |
| CAPITAL                            |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |        |
| 1975-76 . . . . .                  | 5 146           | 3 151    | 1 778      | 1 864           | 1 139             | 689      | 13 767 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .                  | 3 328           | 3 660    | 2 805      | 980             | 2 780             | 561      | 14 114 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .                  | 3 319           | 3 430    | 1 770      | 630             | 964               | 297      | 10 411 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .                  | 2 468           | 1 945    | 254        | 375             | 862               | 222      | 6 125  |
| 1979-80 (estimate)(a)(b) . . . . . | 1 100           | 1 210    | 255        | 120             | 395               | 40       | 3 120  |
| TOTAL                              |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |        |
| 1975-76 . . . . .                  | 24 430          | 10 863   | 5 421      | 3 840           | 2 877             | 1 954    | 49 385 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .                  | 28 934          | 15 015   | 7 602      | 4 700           | 5 696             | 2 599    | 64 546 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .                  | 30 437          | 17 669   | 6 960      | 4 285           | 5 330             | 2 603    | 67 284 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .                  | 19 671          | 12 473   | 5 233      | 3 580           | 4 610             | 2 090    | 47 657 |
| 1979-80 (estimate)(a) . . . . .    | 21 370          | 14 890   | 5 830      | 3 560           | 5 015             | 2 115    | 52 780 |

(a) The State-by-State allocation of total available funds is still tentative and no commitment to the amounts shown is implied.

(b) Each State receives a 'block grant' for this Program, allowing flexibility to transfer funds between capital and recurrent components of approved projects as it sees fit. The component amounts shown above are, therefore, notional.

### *School Dental Scheme*

The Commonwealth has been co-operating with the States since 1973 in an Australia-wide School Dental Service for all primary school children.

The State Governments are responsible for administering the scheme. Until 1975-76, the Commonwealth met the full capital and operating costs of training facilities for dental therapists, as well as the full capital costs and 75 per cent of operating costs of school dental clinics. These arrangements have been revised since then and from 1978-79 the Commonwealth has met 50 per cent of the operating costs of training facilities and clinics and 50 per cent of the capital costs of new facilities.

The amounts paid to the States under the scheme since 1975-76 and the estimated payments for 1979-80 are shown in the following table:

**Table 24—Grants for School Dental Scheme, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|                              | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total  |
|------------------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|--------|
| RECURRENT                    |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |        |
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 1 845           | 1 351    | 998        | 2 549           | 2 271             | 1 547    | 10 561 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 3 589           | 1 891    | 2 026      | 3 099           | 2 654             | 1 475    | 14 733 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 2 911           | 2 121    | 2 027      | 3 686           | 3 018             | 1 684    | 15 447 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 2 374           | 2 389    | 2 383      | 2 814           | 2 700             | 1 226    | 13 885 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 3 790           | 3 470    | 3 700      | 3 290           | 3 700             | 1 877    | 19 827 |
| CAPITAL                      |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |        |
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 2 115           | 2 044    | 5 299      | 825             | 2 855             | 317      | 13 455 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 2 191           | 1 711    | 1 896      | 830             | 935               | 132      | 7 695  |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 1 069           | 1 740    | 2 841      | 1 658           | 831               | 127      | 8 265  |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 976             | 963      | 1 249      | 724             | ..                | 184      | 4 096  |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 600             | 1 102    | 806        | 272             | 130               | 100      | 3 010  |
| TOTAL                        |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |        |
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 3 960           | 3 395    | 6 297      | 3 374           | 5 126             | 1 864    | 24 016 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 5 780           | 3 602    | 3 922      | 3 929           | 3 589             | 1 607    | 22 428 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 3 980           | 3 861    | 4 867      | 5 344           | 3 849             | 1 811    | 23 713 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 3 349           | 3 352    | 3 632      | 3 538           | 2 700             | 1 410    | 17 981 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 4 390           | 4 572    | 4 506      | 3 562           | 3 830             | 1 977    | 22 837 |

### *Health Education Campaigns*

The Commonwealth is continuing to sponsor, in conjunction with the States, the National Drug Education Program. Funds have been provided to support State and national projects of drug education since 1970-71. It is estimated that \$1 125 000, an increase of 29 per cent, will be made available to the States for this purpose in 1979-80. Grants to the States for health education campaigns between 1972-73 and 1975-76 also include expenditure relating to a five-year program of national anti-smoking education which ceased in the latter year. The grants made to the States under both programs since 1975-76 and the estimated grants for drug education in 1979-80 are shown in the following table:

**Table 25—Grants for Health Education Campaigns, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|                              | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total |
|------------------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|-------|
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 222             | 160      | 132        | 69              | 88                | 23       | 695   |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 212             | 151      | 116        | 66              | 85                | 46       | 675   |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 225             | 162      | 138        | 75              | 92                | 52       | 742   |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 280             | 206      | 100        | 107             | 121               | 59       | 873   |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 380             | 206      | 178        | 145             | 149               | 67       | 1 125 |

### *Blood Transfusion Service*

Grants have been made to the States since 1953-54 for the purpose of assisting Blood Transfusion Services conducted by the Australian Red Cross Society.

Since 1973-74 the annual operating costs of the Services in the States have been met 35 per cent by the Commonwealth, 60 per cent by the States, and 5 per cent by the Society. It was agreed in 1975-76 that approved capital expenditure for the Services be shared between the Commonwealth and the States on a \$1 for \$1 basis.

The basis of the Commonwealth's contribution changed from the beginning of 1976-77 so that the Society's contribution, within each State Division, is the lower of 5 per cent of operating costs or 10 per cent of the previous year's income from donations. Any reduction in the Society's previous share is taken up by the Commonwealth. Approved capital costs in the States continue to be shared equally by the Commonwealth and the States.

Grants paid since 1975-76 and estimates for 1979-80 are shown in the following table:

**Table 26—Grants for Expenditures on Blood Transfusion Services, 1975-76 to 1979-80**  
(\$ thousands)

|                    | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total |
|--------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|-------|
| RECURRENT          |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |       |
| 1975-76.           | 1 357           | 1 009    | 547        | 567             | 330               | 94       | 3 905 |
| 1976-77.           | 1 471           | 1 303    | 680        | 494             | 436               | 108      | 4 492 |
| 1977-78.           | 1 495           | 1 376    | 736        | 606             | 588               | 124      | 4 924 |
| 1978-79.           | 1 769           | 1 823    | 777        | 764             | 601               | 120      | 5 853 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) | 1 870           | 2 039    | 830        | 881             | 660               | 150      | 6 430 |
| CAPITAL            |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |       |
| 1975-76.           | 34              | 75       | 29         | 6               | 12                | 5        | 160   |
| 1976-77.           | 15              | 53       | 6          | 17              | 23                | 5        | 118   |
| 1977-78.           | 102             | 513      | 37         | 32              | 43                | 3        | 730   |
| 1978-79.           | 100             | 909      | 34         | 25              | 73                | 9        | 1 149 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) | 111             | 122      | 70         | 35              | 64                | ..       | 402   |
| TOTAL              |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |       |
| 1975-76.           | 1 391           | 1 084    | 576        | 573             | 342               | 99       | 4 065 |
| 1976-77.           | 1 486           | 1 356    | 686        | 511             | 459               | 113      | 4 610 |
| 1977-78.           | 1 597           | 1 889    | 773        | 638             | 630               | 127      | 5 654 |
| 1978-79.           | 1 869           | 2 732    | 811        | 788             | 674               | 128      | 7 002 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) | 1 981           | 2 161    | 900        | 916             | 724               | 150      | 6 832 |

### *Health Planning Agencies*

The Government will continue to provide grants in 1979-80 for the support of State health planning agencies. Payment of grants for this purpose commenced in 1973-74. In years prior to 1978-79, these grants were provided to the States on a \$2 for \$1 basis. Since then, the Commonwealth has met 50 per cent of the approved costs of the agencies.

Grants to the States under this program since 1975-76 and estimates in 1979-80 are shown in the following table:

**Table 27—Grants for Recurrent Expenditures by Health Planning Agencies, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|                              | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total |
|------------------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|-------|
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 200             | 20       | 70         | 75              | 110               | 25       | 500   |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 230             | 24       | 84         | 62              | 120               | 40       | 560   |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 166             | 24       | 100        | 100             | 135               | 35       | 560   |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 100             | 33       | 87         | 90              | 100               | 30       | 440   |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 100             | 60       | 85         | 80              | 95                | 30       | 450   |

### *Control of Encephalitis*

Following the outbreak of Australian Encephalitis (formerly known as Murray Valley Encephalitis) early in 1974, the Commonwealth has provided funds to New South Wales, Victoria and South Australia to assist in a mosquito eradication campaign along the Murray Valley Basin.

Funds will be provided in 1979-80 to continue to control the disease, not only for mosquito abatement programs but also for co-ordination, research and teaching purposes. The campaign was extended in 1978-79 to include Western Australia.

Grants paid to the States under these arrangements and estimated grants in 1979-80 are set out in the following table:

**Table 28—Grants for the Control of Australian Encephalitis, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|                              | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total |
|------------------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|-------|
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 3               | 55       | ..         | ..              | ..                | ..       | 58    |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 8               | 34       | ..         | 14              | ..                | ..       | 56    |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 6               | 43       | ..         | 9               | ..                | ..       | 58    |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 3               | 31       | ..         | 14              | 20                | ..       | 68    |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 23              | 44       | ..         | 13              | 33                | ..       | 113   |

### *Disposal of Ships' Garbage*

Under arrangements offered to the States in 1965-66 (1967-68 in the case of Western Australia), financial assistance has been made available to each State for the provision of facilities for the disposal of overseas ships' garbage with a view to improving existing measures against the entry of exotic diseases into Australia. The Commonwealth has been meeting the full capital cost of incinerators and ancillary structures and half the cost of access roads, excluding land costs, at selected ports, while the cost of maintaining and operating the

incinerators and transporting garbage has been met by the States. These arrangements are, however, currently under review. Grants paid to the States from 1975-76 and estimates in 1979-80 are shown in the following table:

**Table 29—Grants for Capital Expenditures on the Disposal of Ships' Garbage, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|                    | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total |
|--------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|-------|
| 1975-76            | ..              | 29       | ..         | ..              | 47                | ..       | 76    |
| 1976-77            | ..              | ..       | ..         | ..              | 6                 | 1        | 7     |
| 1977-78            | ..              | ..       | ..         | ..              | 2                 | ..       | 2     |
| 1978-79            | ..              | ..       | 4          | ..              | ..                | ..       | 4     |
| 1979-80 (estimate) | 42              | ..       | ..         | 136             | ..                | 42       | 220   |

### *High Security Quarantine Units*

To meet the threat of new types of human quarantinable diseases, the Commonwealth is meeting the cost of establishing a national high security quarantine unit at the Fairfield Infectious Diseases Hospital, Victoria. The cost of constructing the unit, estimated to be approximately \$1.7 million, is being met in full by the Commonwealth. Payments to 30 June 1979 amounted to \$289 000, including a payment of \$89 000 in 1978-79, and it is estimated that \$1 million will be provided in 1979-80.

### SOCIAL SECURITY AND WELFARE

In previous issues of this paper, grants for Pensioner Housing were included under this function. In the light of recent broadening of the scope of rental housing grants and increased flexibility given to the States in applying the grants (*see* page 61), pensioner, housing grants have now been included under the Housing function. However the grants in 1977-78 and previous years continue to be recorded under 'Social Security and Welfare' in statements attached to the Budget Speech and in Table 2 in this paper.

### *Welfare Services for the Aged*

Under two Acts effective from June 1969—the *States Grants (Home Care) Act* 1969 and the *States Grants (Paramedical Services) Act* 1969—the Commonwealth is making grants to the States for certain services provided wholly or mainly to aged persons—specifically for home care services, senior citizens' centres and paramedical services.

### *Home Care Services*

Under the *States Grants (Home Care) Act* 1969 the Commonwealth shares with participating States the cost of approved house-keeping or other domestic assistance provided wholly or mainly for aged persons in their homes. The Commonwealth's grants are now paid on a \$1 for \$1 basis with the States.



Grants provided from 1975-76 and estimates for 1979-80 are shown in the following table:

**Table 30—Grants for Home Care Services, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|                              | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total |
|------------------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|-------|
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 717             | 2 178    | 1 693      | 653             | 87                | 340      | 5 668 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 1 567           | 2 018    | 1 990      | 904             | 57                | 355      | 6 891 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 1 933           | 2 520    | 2 744      | 1 411           | 56                | 474      | 9 138 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 1 875           | 3 450    | 1 797      | 915             | 44                | 505      | 8 586 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 2 017           | 3 700    | 1 943      | 980             | 55                | 555      | 9 250 |

*Senior Citizens' Centres*

Under the *States Grants (Home Care) Act* 1969, the Commonwealth shared with participating States up to a maximum of two-thirds of the capital cost of approved senior citizens' centres and of the cost of the salaries of welfare officers employed by such centres. Capital costs are now shared with the States on a \$2 for \$1 basis, while salaries of welfare officers are shared with the States on a \$1 for \$1 basis.

Grants provided for this purpose since 1975-76 and estimates for 1979-80 are shown in the following table:

**Table 31—Grants for Senior Citizens' Centres, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|                              | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total |
|------------------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|-------|
| RECURRENT                    |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |       |
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 369             | 222      | ..         | 30              | 27                | ..       | 648   |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 253             | 293      | 37         | 31              | 56                | ..       | 670   |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 226             | 328      | 45         | 66              | 56                | ..       | 721   |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 300             | 350      | 42         | 65              | 65                | ..       | 822   |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 315             | 562      | 55         | 89              | 101               | ..       | 1 122 |
| CAPITAL                      |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |       |
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 964             | 1 292    | 392        | 566             | 344               | 3        | 3 561 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 891             | 1 571    | 916        | 212             | 407               | ..       | 3 997 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 1 064           | 1 616    | 439        | 342             | 348               | 136      | 3 946 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 1 200           | 608      | 553        | 423             | 100               | 166      | 3 050 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 1 472           | 1 068    | 656        | 380             | 308               | 116      | 4 000 |
| TOTAL                        |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |       |
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 1 333           | 1 514    | 392        | 596             | 371               | 3        | 4 209 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 1 144           | 1 864    | 953        | 243             | 463               | ..       | 4 667 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 1 291           | 1 944    | 484        | 408             | 404               | 136      | 4 668 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 1 500           | 958      | 595        | 488             | 165               | 166      | 3 872 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 1 787           | 1 630    | 711        | 469             | 409               | 116      | 5 122 |

## Paramedical Services

The Commonwealth shares on a \$1 for \$1 basis with participating States the cost of approved paramedical services, such as chiropody, occupational therapy, physiotherapy and speech therapy, provided wholly or mainly for aged persons in their homes. All States have indicated their willingness to participate, but to date only Victoria, South Australia and Tasmania have provided paramedical services in circumstances which qualify for assistance under the arrangement. Grants up to specified amounts are made in the first instance through the *States Grants (Paramedical Services) Act 1969*. However, where a State has an approved requirement for funds in excess of the limits prescribed by that Act, provision may be made for a supplementary grant through an Appropriation Act.

Annual figures for grants paid to the States for paramedical services since 1975-76 and estimates for 1979-80 are shown in the following table:

**Table 32—Grants for Paramedical Services, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|                    | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total |
|--------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|-------|
| 1975-76            | ..              | 233      | ..         | 167             | ..                | 10       | 410   |
| 1976-77            | ..              | 263      | ..         | 272             | ..                | 15       | 550   |
| 1977-78            | ..              | 283      | ..         | 284             | ..                | 15       | 582   |
| 1978-79            | ..              | 380      | ..         | 431             | ..                | 24       | 836   |
| 1979-80 (estimate) | ..              | 352      | ..         | 486             | ..                | 25       | 863   |

## Assistance for Deserted Wives

Under the *States Grants (Deserted Wives) Act 1968*, the Commonwealth has been sharing on a \$1 for \$1 basis with the States up to prescribed limits the cost of helping certain mothers of families without a breadwinner where the mothers are ineligible for a Class A widow's pension or, as from 1973-74, a supporting parent's benefit.

Assistance is provided during the first six months after the date of the event which gives rise to eligibility (eg the birth of a child or separation). The main groups of mothers assisted under the Act are deserted wives, deserted de facto wives, deserting wives, separated wives, wives of prisoners and unmarried mothers. After the first six months, these groups of mothers may qualify for either a Class A widow's pension or a supporting parent's benefit.

The grant to a State is equal to half the cost of the approved assistance paid by the State to each eligible person but is not to exceed half the amount that would be payable to such a person were she eligible for a Class A widow's pension or a supporting parent's benefit.

The following table shows grants made to the States from 1975-76 and estimates for 1979-80:

**Table 33—Grants for Deserted Wives, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|                              | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total  |
|------------------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|--------|
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 2 344           | 2 016    | 1 935      | 1 509           | 1 459             | 458      | 9 721  |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 3 837           | 2 824    | 2 508      | 1 879           | 1 700             | 599      | 13 347 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 6 376           | 4 003    | 3 888      | 3 203           | 1 848             | 764      | 20 083 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 9 521           | 4 917    | 3 665      | 3 143           | 3 841             | 986      | 26 075 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 9 400           | 5 600    | 4 300      | 3 800           | 3 700             | 1 200    | 28 000 |

*Pre-Schools and Child Care*

Services for children provided in the States began attracting Commonwealth financial support in 1972-73 under the *Child Care Act 1972*. Under that Act, payments were made direct to non-profit organisations and local government bodies—that is, not by way of payments to the States. Payments to the States commenced in 1973-74 under a broader scheme of assistance introduced in that year and have continued since then, as have the direct forms of payment.

The program of assistance is administered by the Office of Child Care which was established under the Minister for Social Security to advise on programs providing for capital and recurrent assistance for pre-school and child care projects including home care, vacation and after school care projects and various other community initiated projects. In 1977-78 assistance to the States for the recurrent costs of pre-school services was provided in the form of a block grant subject to certain broad requirements concerning priority of access. From 1978-79, the block grants have represented the total Commonwealth contribution to the States towards capital and recurrent costs of pre-schools.

The Government has decided that up to \$69.3 million will be provided in 1979-80 for services for children. It is tentatively estimated that, of that total, approximately \$44.85 million will take the form of payments to the States.

The following table shows payments to the States that have been made since 1975-76 and estimates for 1979-80:

**Table 34—Grants for Pre-Schools and Child Care, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|                              | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total  |
|------------------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|--------|
| RECURRENT                    |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |        |
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 9 030           | 11 452   | 5 356      | 5 025           | 4 390             | 1 720    | 36 973 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 8 532           | 12 722   | 6 970      | 5 601           | 4 930             | 2 006    | 40 761 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 9 815           | 14 001   | 7 267      | 6 184           | 5 662             | 2 071    | 45 000 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 9 591           | 11 492   | 6 972      | 5 588           | 5 643             | 1 658    | 40 944 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 10 430          | 12 215   | 7 505      | 6 130           | 5 860             | 1 960    | 44 100 |

|                    | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total  |
|--------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|--------|
| <b>CAPITAL</b>     |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |        |
| 1975-76.           | 3 165           | 1 345    | 2 584      | 1 498           | 1 441             | 1 764    | 11 797 |
| 1976-77.           | 6 592           | 4 160    | 314        | 160             | 144               | 5        | 11 375 |
| 1977-78.           | 3 678           | 4 202    | ..         | 31              | 89                | ..       | 8 000  |
| 1978-79.           | 604             | 323      | ..         | 68              | 38                | ..       | 1 033  |
| 1979-80 (estimate) | 500             | 100      | ..         | 50              | 100               | ..       | 750    |
| <b>TOTAL</b>       |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |        |
| 1975-76.           | 12 195          | 12 797   | 7 940      | 6 523           | 5 831             | 3 484    | 48 770 |
| 1976-77.           | 15 124          | 16 882   | 7 284      | 5 761           | 5 074             | 2 011    | 52 136 |
| 1977-78.           | 13 493          | 18 203   | 7 267      | 6 215           | 5 751             | 2 071    | 53 000 |
| 1978-79.           | 10 195          | 11 815   | 6 972      | 5 656           | 5 681             | 1 658    | 41 977 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) | 10 930          | 12 315   | 7 505      | 6 180           | 5 960             | 1 960    | 44 850 |

### *Employment Grants for Maryborough Region*

Following the decision to cease granting export licences for minerals from sand mining on Fraser Island, the Commonwealth agreed to provide \$10 million to Queensland for allocation by that State to create employment opportunities in the Maryborough region. Payments commenced in 1976-77 and it is intended that a final payment of \$3 million will be made in 1979-80.

### *Rehabilitation Centre—Hobart*

The Commonwealth and Tasmanian Governments agreed in 1974 to share the costs of establishing and operating a joint rehabilitation centre for handicapped persons in Hobart. The arrangement provides for the Commonwealth to meet up to half the capital cost of building and equipping the centre and to contribute 40 per cent of the annual running costs. Total payments to 30 June 1979 amounted to \$2.45 million including a payment of \$917 000 in 1978-79. The Commonwealth contribution is expected to be \$450 000 in 1979-80.

### *Translating and Interpreting Service*

Arising out of its consideration of the Galbally Report on Post-Arrival Service for Migrants, the Government has offered to the States funds for a program of assistance towards the provision of additional State-operated translating and interpreting services in areas of primarily State responsibility. The program is for such services other than those to be provided under the Community Health Program (*see* Community Health Facilities and Services above).

The Commonwealth will meet the full costs of these services in the first year of the program, and thereafter will share agreed costs equally with the States. In 1979-80 a total of \$310 000 is to be provided to three States. New South Wales will receive \$122 000, Victoria \$128 000, and South Australia \$60 000.

## ABORIGINAL ADVANCEMENT

Since 1968-69 the Commonwealth has provided assistance to the States for Aboriginal advancement, particularly in the fields of housing, education and health. Details of payments are included in the statements attached to the Budget Speech and in Table 2 in this paper under the functional headings appropriate to the specific kinds of assistance involved. In other relevant tables in this paper, however, all payments specifically designated for this purpose are grouped together.

The Commonwealth also provides assistance for Aboriginal advancement in the States by way of direct assistance to Aboriginal organisations and other bodies.

The following table shows payments made to the States since 1975-76 and estimated payments in 1979-80:

**Table 35—Payments for Aboriginal Advancement, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (a)**  
(\$ thousands)

|                              | New<br>South<br>Wales | Victoria | Queens-<br>land | South<br>Australia | Western<br>Australia | Tasmania | Total  |
|------------------------------|-----------------------|----------|-----------------|--------------------|----------------------|----------|--------|
| RECURRENT                    |                       |          |                 |                    |                      |          |        |
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 2 861                 | 876      | 2 952           | 2 165              | 8 034                | 62       | 16 949 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 2 683                 | 1 254    | 3 314           | 2 515              | 7 702                | 71       | 17 540 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 3 014                 | 1 409    | 3 480           | 3 045              | 8 564                | 67       | 19 580 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 2 982                 | 1 331    | 3 917           | 3 404              | 8 579                | 44       | 20 257 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 3 189                 | 1 605    | 4 598           | 3 992              | 9 804                | 52       | 23 239 |
| CAPITAL                      |                       |          |                 |                    |                      |          |        |
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 5 322                 | 482      | 7 204           | 3 559              | 5 272                | 216      | 22 054 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 3 493                 | 682      | 4 396           | 3 339              | 4 765                | 187      | 16 863 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 2 654                 | 400      | 2 825           | 1 807              | 4 614                | 175      | 12 474 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 3 057                 | 237      | 2 536           | 2 291              | 5 407                | 115      | 13 643 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 3 431                 | 275      | 1 704           | 2 181              | 5 027                | 254      | 12 872 |
| TOTAL                        |                       |          |                 |                    |                      |          |        |
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 8 183                 | 1 358    | 10 156          | 5 724              | 13 305               | 278      | 39 003 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 6 176                 | 1 936    | 7 710           | 5 854              | 12 467               | 258      | 34 403 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 5 668                 | 1 809    | 6 305           | 4 852              | 13 178               | 242      | 32 054 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 6 039                 | 1 568    | 6 452           | 5 696              | 13 986               | 159      | 33 900 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 6 620                 | 1 880    | 6 302           | 6 173              | 14 830               | 306      | 36 111 |

(a) The functional break-up of these payments is shown in Table 99 of Appendix III.

## HOUSING

### *Welfare Housing*

Under successive arrangements between the Commonwealth and the States, financial assistance has been made available to the States in one form or another since 1945-46 for the provision of housing, including assistance with home ownership, for families of low or moderate means. A detailed account of successive arrangements, together with statistics covering the period to 1975-76, is to be found on pages 66 through 68, 200, 201 and 224 of the 1975-76 issue of this paper. Following is a very brief outline of these arrangements up to, and including, 1977-78:

- Formal Commonwealth-State Housing Agreements operated throughout the period 1945-46 to 1970-71 under which the Commonwealth advanced

to each State, on specified terms and conditions, the proportion of the State's Loan Council works and housing program that it nominated for housing, generally at concessional interest rates (of the order of 1 per cent below the long-term bond rate prevailing at the time). Advances were repayable over 53 years.

- The 1945 Agreement also included provision for the Commonwealth to contribute three-fifths of any loss incurred in a financial year by the State in connection with the administration of its housing projects. Queensland is the only State at present receiving such contributions.
- In 1971-72 and 1972-73 the States financed their housing programs directly from their ordinary Loan Council borrowing programs. The Commonwealth provided specific revenue grants under the *States Grants (Housing) Act* 1971 in lieu of the former interest subsidy that the States had received on housing advances. Basic grants of \$2.75 million per year are payable for 30 years in respect of each of those two years.
- In 1972-73 the States were advanced \$6.55 million under the *Housing Assistance Act* 1973, specifically for additional rental dwellings, to supplement the programs they had undertaken and financed from their normal Loan Council borrowings. These advances were provided at an interest rate of 4 per cent per annum and are repayable over 53 years.
- Under the *Housing Agreement Act* 1973 (amended in 1974) the Commonwealth provided specific purpose payments to the States for welfare housing from 1973-74 to 1977-78 by way of concessional interest rate advances repayable over 53 years outside, and in addition to, Loan Council arrangements. As a result, the State Government Loan Council programs since 1973-74 have been lower than they would otherwise have been (that is, 'offsets' were made).
- Up to 30 per cent of the advances (and a higher proportion in special circumstances) were channelled to the States' Home Builders' Accounts for the provision of low interest loans through terminating building societies or authorised State lending authorities to assist eligible persons to build their homes or to buy them on the private market. In addition, the State Housing Authorities were permitted to sell a specific proportion of their housing stock to eligible persons through vendor finance on concessional terms specified in the Agreement.
- Eligibility for assistance under the Agreement was on the basis of need in accordance with a specific income test of the main breadwinner's income; the breadwinner's eligibility was not subject to subsequent review once assistance had been provided.

Under the *Housing Assistance Act* 1978 three-year Housing Agreements were executed with the States to cover the period from 1978-79 to 1980-81. In accordance with these arrangements the total amount of advances each year is to be determined in the annual Budget context after consideration of State requirements. Advances are repayable over 53 years as under earlier Agreements

and concessional fixed rates of interest apply—4.5 per cent per annum for funds directed to home purchase assistance and 5 per cent per annum for rental housing.

The objectives of the new Agreements lay particular importance on:

- assisting those most in need;
- gearing assistance to the degree of need and limiting it to the time of need (unlike the previous arrangements); and
- making effective use of past investments in welfare housing.

Under the 1978 Agreements the States have greater flexibility in determining the uses to which housing funds can be put and the extent of assistance to individuals. At least 40 per cent of advances are to be applied to home purchase assistance by the third year of the Agreements. Restrictions under previous arrangements on the sale of State Housing Authority dwellings have been removed. The States determine their own sales policy provided that all sales are for cash at market value or replacement cost; purchasers of State Housing Authority dwellings are eligible for loans from the home purchase assistance program.

In 1978–79, total advances to the States were \$316 million, including \$130 million which was matched \$1 for \$1 with the States' own expenditure on housing programs, including certain non-welfare programs.

For 1979–80, advances will be \$160 million, with detailed terms and conditions, including matching arrangements, to be determined by the Minister for Housing and Construction. This reduction in advances on 1978–79 takes place at the same time as new arrangements concerning rental housing grants have been introduced (*see below*).

Annual payments made to the States are shown in the table at the end of the section on housing.

### *Rental Housing Grants*

#### *Pensioner Housing*

Since 1969–70, the Commonwealth has provided grants to the States to assist with the provision of self-contained accommodation at reasonable rentals for certain categories of single aged and service pensioners who have little or no means of support apart from their pensions.

Since 1978–79 these grants have been provided under the *Housing Assistance Act 1978*, with wider eligibility criteria and under conditions giving the States greater freedom in the way the funds can be applied than in earlier years. Eligible persons include those in receipt of an age or invalid pension, a supporting parent's benefit, a special benefit, a sheltered employment allowance, a training allowance in certain circumstances and some classes of service pension. Married as well as single pensioners are being assisted.

Grants totalling \$30 million will be provided in 1979–80. The grants are allocated among the States in proportion to the total number of persons in each State who are eligible under the Act and who are receiving supplementary assistance.

Annual payments made to the States are shown in the table at the end of the section on housing.

### *Rental Housing for Other Persons in Need*

Commencing in 1979-80, the Commonwealth is to provide grants to the States under the *Housing Assistance Act 1978* to assist with the provision of rental housing for other persons in need, including Aborigines.

\$70 million is to be made available for this purpose in 1979-80. The distribution of these funds between the States and the terms and conditions to apply to them are expected to be announced shortly.

The following table shows payments made to the States for housing from 1975-76 and estimated payments in 1979-80:

**Table 36—Payments to the States for Housing, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|                                    | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total   |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|---------|
| <b>RECURRENT GRANTS(a)</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |         |
| 1975-76 . . . . .                  | 2 292           | 1 679    | 753        | 1 093           | 771               | 388      | 6 976   |
| 1976-77 . . . . .                  | 1 848           | 1 347    | 858        | 941             | 627               | 314      | 5 935   |
| 1977-78 . . . . .                  | 1 848           | 1 347    | 480        | 941             | 627               | 314      | 5 557   |
| 1978-79 . . . . .                  | 1 848           | 1 347    | 423        | 941             | 627               | 314      | 5 500   |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . .       | 1 848           | 1 347    | 423        | 941             | 627               | 314      | 5 500   |
| <b>ADVANCES</b>                    |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |         |
| 1975-76 . . . . .                  | 123 411         | 98 159   | 31 010     | 56 360          | 33 440            | 22 220   | 364 600 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .                  | 123 411         | 98 159   | 37 410     | 56 360          | 35 440            | 24 220   | 375 000 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .                  | 128 011         | 101 759  | 39 810     | 58 460          | 36 740            | 25 220   | 390 000 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .                  | 103 721         | 82 451   | 32 257     | 47 368          | 29 767            | 20 436   | 316 000 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . .       | 52 512          | 41 744   | 16 336     | 23 984          | 15 072            | 10 352   | 160 000 |
| <b>PENSIONER HOUSING GRANTS(b)</b> |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |         |
| 1975-76 . . . . .                  | 6 858           | 2 827    | 1 133      | 1 124           | 614               | 560      | 13 117  |
| 1976-77 . . . . .                  | 2 352           | 3 419    | 2 023      | 1 473           | 1 288             | 280      | 10 835  |
| 1977-78 . . . . .                  | 4 070           | 2 530    | 1 490      | 930             | 700               | 280      | 10 000  |
| 1978-79 . . . . .                  | 5 695           | 3 388    | 2 050      | 1 343           | 1 086             | 438      | 14 000  |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . .       | 12 132          | 7 186    | 4 495      | 2 856           | 2 361             | 970      | 30 000  |
| <b>OTHER GRANTS</b>                |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |         |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . .       | n.a.            | n.a.     | n.a.       | n.a.            | n.a.              | n.a.     | 70 000  |
| <b>TOTAL PAYMENTS(b)</b>           |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |         |
| 1975-76 . . . . .                  | 132 561         | 102 665  | 32 896     | 58 577          | 34 825            | 23 168   | 384 693 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .                  | 127 611         | 102 925  | 40 291     | 58 774          | 37 355            | 24 814   | 391 770 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .                  | 133 929         | 105 636  | 41 780     | 60 331          | 38 067            | 25 814   | 405 557 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .                  | 111 264         | 87 186   | 34 730     | 49 652          | 31 480            | 21 188   | 335 500 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . .       | n.a.            | n.a.     | n.a.       | n.a.            | n.a.              | n.a.     | 265 500 |

(a) Includes contributions towards rental losses under the Commonwealth-State Housing Agreement 1945.

(b) Pensioner housing grants in 1977-78 and previous years are recorded under the Social Security and Welfare function in statements attached to the Budget Speech and Table 2 in this paper.



## URBAN AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT NEC AND THE ENVIRONMENT

Payments to the States included under this functional heading relate to a number of programs, including assistance for development of Aboriginal communities. Payments in 1978-79 were \$40.6 million and are expected to total approximately \$43.3 million in 1979-80. (These figures are *net* of repayments.)

Payments in 1978-79 for most of the urban and regional development programs and for certain programs falling within other functional headings were made mainly under the authority of the *Urban and Regional Development (Financial Assistance) Act 1974*.

### *Growth Centres and Decentralisation*

In 1978-79 \$5 million was provided to New South Wales for the Albury-Wodonga growth centre for land acquisition, land development and headworks, housing and commercial development construction, studies and investigations and running costs of the Albury-Wodonga Development Corporation.

In 1979-80 further assistance of \$5 million will be provided towards expenditure on Albury-Wodonga. While the precise allocation of this amount between New South Wales and Victoria is not possible at this stage, preliminary consideration of the proposed program of expenditure for 1979-80 suggests that the bulk of the funds might go to New South Wales. For the purposes of this document the whole of the \$5 million has been classified as an allocation to that State.

The 1979-80 Budget also allows for \$22.2 million for capitalised interest on advances to the States for Albury-Wodonga in 1979-80 and earlier years, and on advances for the Bathurst-Orange and Macarthur growth centres up to 1977-78 and the Monarto growth centre up to 1975-76. This amount represents estimated interest payments which are deferred and added to the amount of principal outstanding and on which interest thus accrues. In 1978-79 capitalised interest amounted to \$19.8 million.

In addition to the above, the Commonwealth provides funds for general decentralisation purposes under the Commonwealth's Regional Development Program to State, local government and community bodies and firms engaged in manufacturing and tertiary industry, in selected non-metropolitan centres. However these funds are not classified as payments to the States or local government authorities.

Payments to the States for growth centres and related projects since 1975-76 and estimated payments in 1979-80 for Albury-Wodonga, including capitalised interest, are given in Appendix V.

### *Urban Flood Mitigation*

Since 1975-76 \$5.55 million, including \$818 000 in 1978-79, has been provided to Queensland under the *Urban and Regional Development (Financial Assistance) Act 1974* to assist with the construction of certain flood mitigation works on various creeks in the Brisbane metropolitan area.

An amount of \$62 000 is to be provided in 1979-80 as the Commonwealth's final contribution towards flood mitigation works completed in 1978-79 on the

Breakfast and Enoggera Creeks in Brisbane. Further funds in 1979-80 for urban flood mitigation will be considered in the context of funds which have yet to be allocated to particular projects under the National Water Resources Program (See page 78.)

#### *Assistance for Land Acquisition and Development in Urban Areas*

In 1973-74 a program of assistance by way of grants and loans was undertaken with the object of making land available for residential and associated uses at fair prices and to facilitate the planning and development of new urban areas.

With the discharge of remaining commitments in 1977-78, this program came to an end. However, interest is being capitalised on advances in a similar manner to its treatment for growth centres (see above). The 1979-80 Budget includes \$15.7 million for capitalised interest.

Payments for land acquisition, development and related works in urban areas since 1975-76 (including capitalised interest) and capitalised interest in 1979-80 are given in Appendix V.

#### *Woolloomooloo Redevelopment*

An agreement was concluded in 1974-75 with New South Wales under which up to \$17 million is being provided by way of grant for acquisition of 3.2 hectares of property and planning and site development in the Woolloomooloo Basin in Sydney. Payments to the State have totalled \$10.3 million since 1975-76, including \$0.9 million in 1978-79. An amount of \$2 million has been included in the Budget for estimated payments to the State in 1979-80.

The Commonwealth also agreed to transfer, at no cost to the State, 2.6 hectares of Commonwealth property in the Woolloomooloo Basin which was valued in excess of \$11 million. Most of this land has now been transferred.

The agreement also provides for the State to make payments to the Commonwealth in respect of each unit of public housing produced on the property acquired by, or transferred to, the State and payment of the receipts from any part of the property that is not retained for public housing. A total of \$1.2 million has been received from the State under these provisions since 1976-77 including \$0.6 million in 1978-79. Similar payments by the State in 1979-80 are estimated to be \$1.2 million.

The amounts shown in Appendix V are net amounts after deductions of these receipts.

#### *Air Quality Monitoring*

In 1975-76 \$191 000 was paid to the States under the *States Grants (Air Quality Monitoring) Act* 1976 on a \$1 for \$1 matching basis for the purchase of equipment for air quality monitoring. In 1977-78 a program of \$150 000 was approved for the expansion of national urban air quality monitoring to provide data for national planning decisions that need to take account of air quality. A final amount of \$70 000 was paid against this program in 1978-79 under the *Environment (Financial Assistance) Act* 1977. Payments made to each State since 1975-76 are given in Appendix V.

### *Captains Flat—Pollution Abatement Works*

Under the *Captains Flat (Abatement of Pollution) Agreement Act 1975* the Commonwealth is providing financial assistance to New South Wales for approved programs of works to abate the pollution of the Molonglo River from the mine waste dumps at Captains Flat. Financial assistance of up to \$2.5 million is being provided for expenditure on capital works and up to \$100 000 will be provided on a \$1 for \$1 matching basis for expenditure on maintenance of the works. The financial assistance for capital works is 80 per cent by way of grant and 20 per cent by way of loan, and for maintenance wholly by way of grant.

Payments to the State since 1975–76 have amounted to \$2 million for capital works. Amounts of \$96 000 and \$48 000 were paid in 1978–79 for capital works and maintenance, respectively. \$37 500 has been included in the Budget for estimated payments in respect of expenditure in 1979–80 on maintenance.

### *Legana Industrial Estate—Tasmania*

The Commonwealth will make available to Tasmania in 1979–80 up to \$0.2 million by way of loan on a matching basis towards the development of an industrial estate at Legana, in the Launceston area.

## CULTURE AND RECREATION

The Commonwealth Government first provided grants to the States for cultural and recreational purposes in 1973–74. An estimated \$5.5 million will be made available for these purposes in 1979–80.

### *National Fitness Program*

Financial assistance to the States for national assistance activities commenced in 1975–76. Under arrangements agreed with the States in 1977–78, funds for these purposes are now allocated to the 'Life. Be In It' campaign which the Commonwealth is co-ordinating in the three years to 1979–80. \$207 000 was paid to the States in each of the years 1977–78, and 1978–79 and a further \$207 000 has been allocated for 1979–80.

The following table shows payments to the States for national fitness activities since 1975–76 and estimated payments in 1979–80:

**Table 37—Grants for Recurrent Expenditures on National Fitness Activities, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|                              | New South Wales | Victoria | Queens-land | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total |
|------------------------------|-----------------|----------|-------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|-------|
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 117             | 117      | 94          | 94              | 94                | 84       | 600   |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 117             | 117      | 94          | 94              | 94                | 84       | 600   |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 45              | 42       | 34          | 32              | 30                | 24       | 207   |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 45              | 42       | 34          | 32              | 30                | 24       | 207   |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 45              | 42       | 34          | 32              | 30                | 24       | 207   |

### Capital Assistance for Leisure and Cultural Activities

A program of capital assistance grants on a cost-sharing basis with State, local government and voluntary bodies for the development of community sporting and recreation complexes was commenced in 1973-74 and expanded in 1974-75 to cover a wider range of community leisure facilities including arts/cultural facilities. The program was discontinued in December 1975 and payments since that date have been for outstanding commitments. \$652 000 was provided to the States in 1978-79 and it is estimated that \$371 000 will be paid in 1979-80; some will be for on-passing to local government authorities (see Chapter VI) and voluntary bodies.

The following table shows grants to the States under this program since 1975-76:

**Table 38—Grants for Capital Expenditures on Leisure and Cultural Facilities, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|                    | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total |
|--------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|-------|
| 1975-76            | 1 744           | 1 510    | 1 060      | 625             | 405               | 318      | 5 661 |
| 1976-77            | 1 208           | 972      | 590        | 1 722           | 667               | 481      | 5 640 |
| 1977-78            | 570             | 450      | 202        | 1 910           | 97                | ..       | 3 229 |
| 1978-79            | 250             | 92       | 45         | 220             | ..                | 45       | 652   |
| 1979-80 (estimate) | 110             | ..       | ..         | 257             | ..                | 4        | 371   |

### Nature Conservation

Amounts of \$125 000 and \$75 000 were paid to the States in 1978-79 under the *States Grants (Nature Conservation) Act 1974* and the *Environment (Financial Assistance) Act 1977* respectively for land acquisition and programs related to the management of parks and reserves for the purposes of nature conservation.

\$75 000 has been provided in 1979-80 for payment to Tasmania for the management of parks and reserves. There are also outstanding commitments for the acquisition of specific, identified areas that have been approved for acquisition in terms of the *States Grants (Nature Conservation) Act* but for which the cash disbursements are dependent on further negotiation. Upon completion of the negotiations, funds will be provided in terms of the existing agreements.

The following table shows payments made to the States since 1975-76 and estimates for 1979-80:

**Table 39—Payments for Nature Conservation Purposes, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|                    | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total |
|--------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|-------|
| 1975-76            | 445             | 35       | 88         | 579             | 35                | 86       | 1 268 |
| 1976-77            | 362             | 360      | 400        | 300             | 250               | 410      | 2 082 |
| 1977-78            | ..              | ..       | 200        | ..              | ..                | 152      | 352   |
| 1978-79            | ..              | 100      | ..         | ..              | ..                | 100      | 200   |
| 1979-80 (estimate) | ..              | ..       | ..         | ..              | ..                | 75       | 75    |

### *National Estate*

Since 1974, grants have been provided for the restoration, preservation and improvement of landscapes and buildings of special significance. The Australian Heritage Commission, established in 1975 under the *Australian Heritage Commission Act 1975*, provides advice to the Commonwealth on the programs of assistance in respect of these matters.

All grants (other than in the Territories) take the form, in the first instance, of payments to the States in accordance with Agreements concluded under the *Urban and Regional Development (Financial Assistance) Act 1974*.

The following table shows grants paid since 1975-76 and the estimated grants for 1979-80:

**Table 40—Grants for Expenditure on the National Estate, 1975-76 to 1979-80**  
(\$ thousands)

|                                 | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|-------|
| 1975-76 . . . . .               | 946             | 550      | 567        | 506             | 523               | 795      | 3 887 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .               | ..              | 591      | 183        | 246             | 215               | 19       | 1 254 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .               | 373             | 370      | 310        | 338             | 425               | 425      | 2 241 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .               | 415             | 415      | 415        | 415             | 415               | 415      | 2 490 |
| 1979-80 (estimate)(a) . . . . . | 300             | 300      | 300        | 300             | 300               | 300      | 1 800 |

(a) The 1979-80 allocation by States is notional only. No commitment to the provision of the amount shown for each State is implied.

#### *Port Arthur Conservation Program*

The Commonwealth is to provide assistance on a \$2 for \$1 basis to Tasmania for a seven-year program to restore and develop the Port Arthur region. In 1979-80 the Commonwealth will make \$0.4 million available for this purpose.

#### *Facilities for 1982 Commonwealth Games*

\$10 million by way of grant is being provided to Queensland for the construction of sporting facilities and athletes' and officials' accommodation for the 1982 Commonwealth Games in Brisbane. The second of four annual payments of \$2.5 million is to be made in 1979-80.

### ECONOMIC SERVICES—TRANSPORT

The Commonwealth has been making payments to the States for transport purposes continuously since 1923-24, when it began providing grants for roads. The estimated total payments, *net* of repayments, are \$622.2 million for this function in 1979-80 and, of this, \$547 million is for roads and bridges and \$42.7 million for urban public transport.

#### *Roads*

Commonwealth assistance for expenditure on roads has taken two main forms—general assistance and assistance for specific road projects. Payments of the latter kind (such as those for beef roads and the sealing of the Eyre highway)

were subsumed in the general program of roads assistance introduced in 1974-75. (See page 81 and the relevant section of Appendix IV of the 1975-76 issue of this paper for an historical description of the Commonwealth's assistance for roads.)

Over the period 1977-78 to 1979-80 the arrangements for providing assistance to the States for roads are embodied primarily in the *States Grants (Roads) Act 1977* amended appropriately. The arrangements initially were determined by the Government after consideration of a 'Report on Roads in Australia 1975' by the former Commonwealth Bureau of Roads. It was decided that \$475 million would be made available to the States in 1977-78 and that the total grants in both 1978-79 and 1979-80 would be equivalent in real terms to the 1977-78 grant. The legislation also set down annual quotas for expenditure by each State from its own resources.

Road grants in 1978-79 totalled \$508 million, an increase of 7 per cent over the \$475 million provided for 1977-78. (An additional \$2.91 million paid in 1977-78 was in respect of funds available under earlier legislation.)

The following table shows the distribution of roads grants to the States in 1978-79 and the quotas to be met from State sources:

**Table 41—Payments for Roads in 1978-79 (\$ thousands)**

|                                   | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total   |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|---------|
| National Highways—                |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |         |
| Construction . . . . .            | 54 965          | 27 806   | 30 414     | 16 133          | 16 980            | 8 149    | 154 447 |
| Maintenance . . . . .             | 9 470           | 3 209    | 10 332     | 2 032           | 4 200             | 962      | 30 205  |
| National Commerce Roads . . . . . | 11 070          | 3 341    | 2 995      | 700             | 1 300             | 749      | 20 155  |
| Sub-Total . . . . .               | 75 505          | 34 356   | 43 741     | 18 865          | 22 480            | 9 860    | 204 807 |
| Rural Arterial Roads . . . . .    | 19 251          | 11 871   | 24 598     | 8 086           | 10 064            | 3 508    | 77 378  |
| Rural Local Roads . . . . .       | 27 592          | 20 321   | 20 106     | 7 165           | 15 400            | 5 241    | 95 825  |
| M.I.T.E.R.S. (a) . . . . .        | 3 529           | 3 743    | 2 600      | 1 818           | 1 925             | 642      | 14 257  |
| Urban Arterial Roads . . . . .    | 30 694          | 30 852   | 11 838     | 4 920           | 11 978            | 2 888    | 93 170  |
| Urban Local Roads . . . . .       | 7 914           | 4 628    | 4 064      | 2 353           | 2 535             | 1 069    | 22 563  |
| Sub-Total . . . . .               | 88 980          | 71 415   | 63 206     | 24 342          | 41 902            | 13 348   | 303 193 |
| Total . . . . .                   | 164 485         | 105 771  | 106 947    | 43 207          | 64 382            | 23 208   | 508 000 |
| Quotas(b) . . . . .               | 157 961         | 132 187  | 62 243     | 39 785          | 42 565            | 13 155   | 447 896 |

(a) Minor Traffic Engineering and Road Safety Improvements.

(b) To be met from State sources.

The Government has announced that road grants will again be maintained in real terms in 1979-80 when \$546 million, an increase of 7.5 per cent on the 1978-79 grants, will be provided. Amending legislation is expected to be introduced in the Budget sittings of Parliament. The State expenditure quotas for 1979-80 currently set down in the legislation are also to be increased in line with the increase in the Commonwealth grants.

The following table shows the estimated payments to the States in 1979-80 and the quotas to be met from State sources:

**Table 42—Payments for Roads in 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|                                   | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total   |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|---------|
| National Highways—                |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |         |
| Construction . . . . .            | 67 474          | 29 886   | 34 484     | 17 340          | 17 506            | 9 081    | 175 771 |
| Maintenance . . . . .             | 9 081           | 3 449    | 9 310      | 2 184           | 4 828             | 1 034    | 29 886  |
| National Commerce Roads . . . . . | 4 598           | 5 977    | 3 219      | 1 397           | 1 827             | 805      | 17 823  |
| Sub-Total . . . . .               | 81 153          | 39 312   | 47 013     | 20 921          | 24 161            | 10 920   | 223 480 |
| Rural Arterial Roads . . . . .    | 20 691          | 12 759   | 26 438     | 8 046           | 10 817            | 3 448    | 82 199  |
| Rural Local Roads . . . . .       | 29 656          | 21 841   | 21 610     | 7 701           | 16 552            | 5 633    | 102 993 |
| M.I.T.E.R.S. (a) . . . . .        | 3 793           | 4 023    | 2 989      | 1 954           | 2 069             | 690      | 15 518  |
| Urban Arterial Roads . . . . .    | 32 990          | 25 518   | 12 529     | 5 288           | 12 874            | 3 104    | 92 303  |
| Urban Local Roads . . . . .       | 8 506           | 10 230   | 4 368      | 2 529           | 2 725             | 1 149    | 29 507  |
| Sub-Total . . . . .               | 95 636          | 74 371   | 67 934     | 25 518          | 45 037            | 14 024   | 322 520 |
| Total . . . . .                   | 176 789         | 113 683  | 114 947    | 46 439          | 69 198            | 24 944   | 546 000 |
| Quotas(b) . . . . .               | 169 777         | 142 075  | 66 899     | 42 761          | 45 749            | 14 139   | 481 400 |

(a) Minor Traffic Engineering and Road Safety Improvements.

(b) To be met from State sources.

The following table shows the amounts paid to each State for roads since 1975-76 and estimated amounts for 1979-80:

**Table 43—Grants under General Roads Acts(a), 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|                              | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total   |
|------------------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|---------|
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 133 504         | 89 080   | 88 980     | 40 764          | 61 285            | 19 900   | 433 513 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 135 489         | 91 100   | 90 700     | 38 800          | 57 199            | 20 500   | 433 788 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 155 611         | 98 900   | 100 000    | 40 400          | 61 301            | 21 700   | 477 912 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 164 485         | 105 771  | 106 947    | 43 207          | 64 382            | 23 208   | 508 000 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 176 789         | 113 683  | 114 947    | 46 439          | 69 198            | 24 944   | 546 000 |

(a) That is, grants provided under the *National Roads Act 1974*, *Roads Grants Act 1974* (with supplementation under the *Appropriation Act (No. 4) 1974-75*, the *Roads Acts Amendment Act 1976*, the *Roads Acts Amendment Act (No. 2) 1976*, and the *Roads Acts Amendment Act 1977*) and the *States Grants (Roads) Act 1977*; but excluding grants under the *Transport (Planning and Research) Act 1974*—see text below.

### Second Hobart Bridge

Following agreement in 1975 between the Commonwealth and Tasmanian Governments, a Joint Committee on the Second Hobart Bridge was established. The first stage of the Committee's work was to carry out the technical investigations and design associated with the provision of a second bridge across the Derwent River at Hobart. These studies, completed in 1978-79, were funded by the Commonwealth at a total cost of \$1.2 million.

The Commonwealth has now agreed to fund the full cost of providing the bridge and relevant approach roads. The total cost is estimated to be about \$32 million of which \$1 million is expected to be required in 1979-80.

### *Railway Mainline Upgrading Projects*

Over the period to 1982-83, the Government is providing assistance to those States which operate their own rail systems for expenditure on projects designed to upgrade the national mainline railway network. Up to \$70 million will be made available for this purpose by way of interest bearing repayable grants under the *National Railway Network (Financial Assistance) Act 1979*.

South Australia and Tasmania will of course not be eligible for assistance under this program as their mainline railways have been transferred to the Commonwealth and are now controlled by the Australian National Railways (ANR).

An allocation of \$11 million has been made in 1979-80 for the program but the terms and conditions which will apply and the actual projects to be assisted in 1979-80 have yet to be resolved finally. Preliminary consideration suggests that in 1979-80, the second year of this program, possible allocations might be of the order of \$5.5 million, \$3.5 million and \$2 million to New South Wales, Victoria and Queensland respectively. While final decisions have yet to be made about the State-by-State distribution, these figures have been adopted for the purposes of this paper.

### *Urban Public Transport*

Since 1973-74 the Commonwealth has had a program whereby it meets two-thirds of the costs of approved urban public transport projects in the States.

The current program of assistance totalling \$300 million for the period 1978-79 to 1982-83 is being provided under the *States Grants (Urban Public Transport) Act 1978*. The Act initially provided for payments to the States at the rate of \$60 million a year, of which \$40 million was to be allocated to the States in fixed guaranteed amounts with the remaining \$20 million to be allocated annually on the basis of needs and priorities assessed in the light of proposals submitted by the States.

In the light of budgetary difficulties, the Government limited payments in 1978-79 to the guaranteed amounts and has decided to do so again in 1979-80. Further to an amendment made in 1978-79, another amendment is proposed to the Act to ensure that the component of the funds unallocated to date will be available in later years of the program.

In 1978-79, \$41.89 million was provided including \$2 million to meet outstanding commitments under previous arrangements. The amount for 1979-80, \$42.7 million, also includes \$2.6 million for similar outstanding commitments and, in addition, includes \$131 000 in respect of commitments entered into in 1978-79 but not paid in that year.



The following table shows payments made to the States since 1975-76 and estimated payments for 1979-80:

**Table 44—Grants under Urban Public Transport Programs(a), 1975-76 to 1979-80**  
(\$ thousands)

|                        | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total  |
|------------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|--------|
| 1975-76.               | 5 694           | 9 332    | 8 985      | 6 757           | 750               | 2 380    | 33 898 |
| 1976-77.               | 24 596          | 15 885   | 11 380     | 4 420           | 1 869             | 253      | 58 403 |
| 1977-78.               | 20 395          | 9 830    | 15 648     | 3 790           | 605               | 732      | 51 000 |
| 1978-79.               | 14 000          | 12 000   | 8 875      | 4 110           | 2 015             | 869      | 41 869 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) (b) | 14 126          | 12 134   | 9 220      | 4 015           | 2 055             | 1 131    | 42 681 |

(a) Payments under the *States Grants (Urban Public Transport) Act 1974*, the *Appropriation (Urban Public Transport) Acts 1974, 1976 and 1977* and the *States Grants (Urban Public Transport) Act 1978*; but excluding grants in 1975-76 under the *Urban Public Transport (Research and Planning) Act 1974*—see below.

(b) Includes provision for \$2.55 million to be made available to meet existing Commonwealth commitments under the previous Agreement, the allocation of this amount is provisional only and does not necessarily mean that the amounts actually paid to the States will be as shown above.

### *Transport Planning and Research*

For a number of years, funds have been made available for planning and research projects related to roads. Assistance was first provided for urban public transport planning and research in 1974-75.

Under the *Transport Planning and Research (Financial Assistance) Act 1977*, the Commonwealth met two-thirds of expenditure in 1977-78 on approved programs of projects and is meeting one-half of such expenditure by the States in 1978-79 and 1979-80. The program now includes all land transport modes and their relationship with other modes.

Consistent with an undertaking by the Government to maintain the program at the same real level over the 1977-78 to 1979-80 triennium, an amount of \$6.4 million was provided in 1978-79 thereby supporting a total program of \$12.8 million. A total program of \$13.8 million for 1979-80 (an increase of 7.5 per cent over the total 1978-79 program) is expected to be approved with the Commonwealth's share amounting to \$6.9 million. The Commonwealth's contribution of \$6.9 million in 1979-80 includes an amount of \$16 000 in respect of commitments entered into in 1978-79 but not paid in that year.

The following table shows payments made to the States since 1975-76 and estimates for 1979-80:

**Table 45—Grants for Transport Planning and Research (a), 1975-76 to 1979-80**  
(\$ thousands)

|                    | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total |
|--------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|-------|
| 1975-76.           | 2 728           | 3 106    | 1 070      | 719             | 940               | 198      | 8 761 |
| 1976-77.           | 2 672           | 2 193    | 1 184      | 939             | 854               | 216      | 8 058 |
| 1977-78.           | 3 495           | 2 411    | 1 381      | 698             | 744               | 195      | 8 924 |
| 1978-79.           | 2 484           | 1 714    | 983        | 469             | 581               | 173      | 6 404 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) | 2 670           | 1 842    | 1 056      | 504             | 658               | 186      | 6 917 |

(a) Payments under the *Urban Public Transport (Research and Planning) Act 1974*, the *Transport (Planning and Research) Act 1974* and the *Transport Planning and Research (Financial Assistance) Act 1977*.

## ECONOMIC SERVICES—WATER SUPPLY AND ELECTRICITY

### *Urban Water Supply*

Payments amounting to \$32.9 million have been provided to South Australia since 1974–75 under the *Urban and Regional Development (Financial Assistance) Act* 1974 to assist with the construction of water treatment plants in the Adelaide metropolitan area. Of this amount, \$4.5 million was paid in 1978–79. Further funds in 1979–80 for this purpose will be considered in the context of funds which have yet to be allocated to particular projects under the National Water Resources Program (see page 77).

### *Julius Dam*

Grants of \$325 000 and \$500 000 in 1977–78 and 1978–79 respectively were paid to Queensland for on-passing to the Mount Isa City Council as assistance towards the Council's share of the debt burden associated with the now-completed Julius Dam, towards which the Commonwealth had provided \$2 million by way of loans in 1974–75. The amount for 1978–79 was provided under the National Water Resources Program and \$250 000 has been provided for this purpose under the Program in 1979–80 (see page 78).

## ECONOMIC SERVICES—INDUSTRY ASSISTANCE AND DEVELOPMENT

### *Softwood Forestry*

Since 1966–67 assistance to the States by way of interest-bearing loans has been provided towards a program of increased planting of softwood forests.

Under the *Softwood Forestry Agreements Act* 1978 the Commonwealth agreed to provide assistance for a further five-year period commencing 1 July 1977 to cover the cost of maintenance of existing forestry planting financed by earlier Commonwealth assistance. The assistance, which is by way of loans, is repayable over twenty years with repayments commencing fifteen years after the date of each advance.

Because of delays in finalising agreements with the States, no payments were made under this Act in 1977–78. Payments made in 1978–79 totalled \$7.7 million of which \$3.5 million was in respect of 1977–78 entitlements. It is estimated that \$6 million will be provided in 1979–80.

The following table shows payments that have been made to the States for this purpose since 1975–76 and estimated payments in 1979–80:

Table 46—Advances for Softwood Forestry, 1975–76 to 1979–80 (\$ thousands)

|                    | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total |
|--------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|-------|
| 1975–76            | 2 456           | 900      | 2 250      | 566             | 864               | 901      | 7 937 |
| 1976–77            | 2 497           | 1 686    | 1 547      | ..              | 776               | 1 429    | 7 934 |
| 1977–78            | 374             | 73       | ..         | –87             | ..                | ..       | 360   |
| 1978–79            | 3 175           | 613      | 1 485      | ..              | 1 302             | 1 090    | 7 665 |
| 1979–80 (estimate) | 1 985           | 348      | 1 000      | 800             | 867               | 1 000    | 6 000 |

### *Assistance to the Forestry Industry in Tasmania*

The Commonwealth has agreed to provide financial assistance to Tasmania over the period to 1982-83 towards the cost of establishing some small plantations and certain silviculture projects involving native trees. The assistance, by way of loans on a \$1 for \$1 matching basis, is to be repayable over 40 years commencing 20 years after each advance is made. During the 20 years in which repayments are deferred, interest is to be capitalised.

The first payment under this program is expected to be \$272 000 in 1979-80. In addition the Government has decided to provide a further \$100 000 per annum to Tasmania from 1979-80 to 1982-83 for the establishment of eucalypt plantations on marginal farm land and a program of purchase of such farm land.

### *Trawl and Danish Seine Fisheries Assistance*

In 1974 the Commonwealth agreed to provide assistance to New South Wales on a \$1 for \$1 sharing basis, for an assessment of the trawl and Danish seine fisheries in the State with a view to formulating practical and constructive management policies. The program is now completed and a final payment of \$7500 in 1978-79 brought total Commonwealth assistance to \$103 000.

### *Rural Adjustment*

In accordance with an agreement reached between the Commonwealth and the States in 1976, assistance is being made available under the *States Grants (Rural Adjustment) Act 1976*, partly as grants and partly as loans, for the purposes of a Rural Adjustment Scheme embracing debt reconstruction, farm build-up, farm improvement, carry-on finance, rehabilitation and household support.

The scheme replaced the *Rural Reconstruction Scheme*, the *Dairy Adjustment Program* and the program of *Carry-on Assistance to the Beef Industry*, all of which were terminated on 31 December 1976. Annual payments under each of these superseded schemes are shown in Appendix V.

The scheme is monitored constantly by the Commonwealth and the States and amended as required to maintain its relevance in the light of changing adjustment needs of the rural sector. Wine-grape producers became eligible in 1978-79 for carry-on finance assistance and this assistance will be continued in 1979-80 with the level of the average loan being increased from \$5000 to \$10 000. Carry-on assistance for beef and dairy producers has been discontinued.

Assistance under the scheme in 1978-79 amounted to \$47 million, and it is estimated that a further \$18.7 million will be provided in 1979-80.

The following table shows payments made under the scheme since 1975-76 and estimated payments in 1979-80:

**Table 47—Payments for Rural Adjustment and Previous Related Programs(a), 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|                              | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total  |
|------------------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|--------|
| <b>GRANTS</b>                |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |        |
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 2 069           | 4 063    | 2 725      | 1 363           | 1 633             | 292      | 12 144 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 1 581           | 2 118    | 1 642      | 698             | 1 216             | 105      | 7 361  |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 1 712           | 2 036    | 1 069      | 1 129           | 746               | 41       | 6 733  |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 1 843           | 1 666    | 1 198      | 854             | 1 429             | 173      | 7 162  |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 1 100           | 660      | 340        | 400             | 440               | 60       | 3 000  |
| <b>ADVANCES</b>              |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |        |
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 8 738           | 13 866   | 13 251     | 4 331           | 5 723             | 1 961    | 47 870 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 6 487           | 9 722    | 8 786      | 2 221           | 4 080             | 685      | 31 980 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 8 138           | 10 114   | 8 517      | 6 256           | 4 254             | 212      | 37 490 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 10 065          | 8 712    | 7 809      | 4 163           | 8 075             | 988      | 39 812 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 5 700           | 3 440    | 1 760      | 2 200           | 2 260             | 340      | 15 700 |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                 |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |        |
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 10 807          | 17 929   | 15 976     | 5 694           | 7 356             | 2 253    | 60 014 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 8 068           | 11 840   | 10 428     | 2 919           | 5 296             | 790      | 39 341 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 9 850           | 12 150   | 9 587      | 7 385           | 5 000             | 253      | 44 223 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 11 908          | 10 378   | 9 006      | 5 017           | 9 504             | 1 161    | 46 974 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 6 800           | 4 100    | 2 100      | 2 600           | 2 700             | 400      | 18 700 |

(a) The previous programs are: *Rural Reconstruction, Dairy Adjustment, and Assistance to the Beef Industry.* (see text).

### *Fruitgrowing Industry Reconstruction*

The *States Grants (Fruitgrowing Reconstruction) Act 1972*, approved an agreement under which the States were offered \$4.6 million in financial assistance towards a scheme for the removal of fruit trees deemed to be surplus to long-term market requirements. Following a number of amendments to the Agreement, the closing date for lodgement of applications for assistance was set at 31 December 1976 and the closing date for removal of trees at 31 August 1977. The Act was also amended to increase the amount of assistance available under the scheme to \$5.6 million.

A final payment of \$8000 under this scheme was made to Tasmania in 1978-79, and a refund of \$28 000 was also received from New South Wales. Payments to the States between 1975-76 and 1978-79 are given in Appendix V.

### *Supplementary Assistance for Apple and Pear Growing Industries*

In early 1974 the Commonwealth agreed to join with Queensland, Western Australia and Tasmania, on a \$1 for \$1 matching basis, to supplement for the 1974 season the assistance available to the apple growing industry under the Commonwealth funded Apple and Pear Stabilisation Scheme. The supplementary arrangements were subsequently extended to cover the 1975, 1976, 1977 and 1978 seasons. All States except New South Wales have participated in the arrangements at one time or another.

For the 1979 and 1980 seasons, the Commonwealth has offered to continue the supplementary assistance arrangements and to extend them to the pear growing industry. However, only the commitment in respect of the 1978 season arrangements was paid in 1978-79. \$575 000 was provided in that year and it is estimated that \$932 000 will be made available in 1979-80.

The following table shows payments that have been made to the States for this purpose since 1975-76 and estimated payments in 1979-80:

**Table 48—Recurrent Grants for Apple Export Assistance, 1975-76 to 1979-80**  
(\$ thousands)

|                              | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total |
|------------------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|-------|
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | ..              | 65       | 14         | ..              | 259               | 572      | 910   |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | ..              | 8        | ..         | 1               | 100               | 229      | 338   |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | ..              | 16       | ..         | ..              | ..                | 39       | 55    |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | ..              | 27       | ..         | ..              | 310               | 238      | 575   |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | ..              | 225      | 8          | ..              | 250               | 450      | 933   |

#### *International Sugar Agreement*

The *International Sugar Agreement Act 1978* approves Australia's ratification of an Agreement which seeks to stabilise international trade in raw sugar through the management of special reserve stocks and the imposition of export quotas.

To assist exporter member countries to meet the holding costs associated with their stockholding obligations, the Agreement provides for the establishment of a Stock Finance Fund to receive the proceeds of levies from importer members on sugar imports. This Fund will become operative once the USA ratifies the Agreement and will provide interest-free loans to exporter members equivalent to 1.5c per lb per year of special reserve stock accumulations. In addition, the International Monetary Fund has agreed to provide drawings from its Buffer Stock Financing Facility to exporter members of the Agreement to assist in financing the acquisition costs of their stockholding obligations.

The Act authorises the Commonwealth to on-lend the proceeds of drawings from these two sources to the sugar industry through the Queensland Government. An on-lending provision of \$27.5 million (representing provision for a drawing from the International Monetary Fund in respect of stocks accumulated in 1978-79) has been included in 1979-80 Budget estimates.

#### *Eradication of Bovine Brucellosis and Tuberculosis*

Since 1970 the Commonwealth has joined with the States in an intensified national campaign for the eradication of bovine brucellosis and tuberculosis. The Government has agreed to provide \$21 million during 1979-80 as payments to the States for this purpose.

In 1973 the Commonwealth also joined with the mainland States in a scheme to compensate partially owners of livestock slaughtered following positive reaction

to bovine tuberculosis tests, and from July 1976 also joined with these States in a bovine brucellosis slaughter compensation scheme. It is anticipated that \$3.2 million will be paid to the States for this purpose in 1979-80.

The following table shows payments that have been made under these schemes since 1975-76, and payments estimated to be made in 1979-80:

**Table 49—Grants for Recurrent Expenditures on the Eradication of Bovine Brucellosis and Tuberculosis, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|                    | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total  |
|--------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|--------|
| 1975-76            | 2 186           | 2 459    | 2 190      | 637             | 601               | 423      | 8 496  |
| 1976-77            | 3 545           | 4 938    | 3 266      | 1 604           | 898               | 215      | 14 467 |
| 1977-78            | 4 535           | 5 858    | 4 180      | 1 201           | 854               | 120      | 16 749 |
| 1978-79            | 7 422           | 6 980    | 5 272      | 2 346           | 895               | 103      | 23 018 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) | 8 350           | 6 754    | 5 934      | 2 107           | 1 007             | 46       | 24 198 |

### *Control and Eradication of Exotic Animal Diseases*

Under long-standing agreements between the Commonwealth and the States in respect of outbreaks of a number of exotic animal diseases, \$1500 was paid to New South Wales and Queensland in respect of an outbreak of Newcastle disease during 1978-79. It is expected that in 1979-80 the Commonwealth will pay \$68 000 to the States in respect of bluetongue eradication expenditure undertaken in 1978-79.

The Commonwealth also provided an amount of \$173 000 to Queensland and Western Australia in 1978-79 under the *States and Northern Territory Grants (Bluetongue Virus Control) Act* 1978 for special \$1 for \$1 assistance for cattle producers affected by bluetongue control measures, and for the acquisition by those States of virology laboratory equipment. A further \$48 000 is expected to be provided in 1979-80. The distribution between States is given in Appendix V.

### *Control and Eradication of Plant Pests*

The Commonwealth agreed in 1978 to provide \$450 000 to South Australia to assist that State in defraying some costs of its blue and spotted lucerne aphid control programs. In 1978-79 \$307 000 was paid and the balance of \$143 000 is to be provided in 1979-80.

In 1978-79 the Commonwealth paid \$84 000 to New South Wales under a three-year agreement to match contributions by all States for the eradication of an outbreak of warehouse beetle in that State. The estimated payment in 1979-80 is \$41 000.

### *Commonwealth Extension Services Grants*

From 1948-49 annual grants have been made to the States to promote improved practices in the dairy industry and from 1952-53 further grants have been provided for development in the States of agricultural advisory services generally. In addition to the payments to the States, a small amount is expended directly by the Commonwealth on projects of national importance.

The following table shows the payments to each State for these Commonwealth extension services from 1975-76 and estimated payments in 1979-80:

**Table 50—Grants for Commonwealth Extension Services(a), 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|                              | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total |
|------------------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|-------|
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 2 359           | 2 022    | 1 826      | 944             | 958               | 517      | 8 625 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 2 578           | 2 291    | 2 097      | 1 068           | 1 082             | 560      | 9 675 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 2 592           | 2 341    | 2 112      | 1 077           | 1 094             | 564      | 9 780 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 2 597           | 2 307    | 2 112      | 1 076           | 1 090             | 564      | 9 746 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 1 274           | 1 135    | 964        | 516             | 581               | 260      | 4 730 |

(a) Excludes expenditure incurred directly by the Commonwealth on projects common to a number of States.

#### *Agricultural Research Grants*

Commonwealth Special Research Grants have been made to the States since 1960-61 to finance special investigation projects of a new, limited nature, usually on a \$1 for \$1 matching basis with the States and/or industry. In 1978-79 \$158 000 was provided. For 1979-80 it is expected that \$94 000 will be made available for Commonwealth Special Research Grants. In addition \$200 000 will be provided for projects sponsored by the Australian Agricultural Council under a separate program.

Grants that have been paid to the States since 1975-76 and estimated grants in 1979-80 are shown in the following table:

**Table 51—Grants for Agricultural Research(a), 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|                                 | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|-------|
| 1975-76 . . . . .               | 81              | 63       | 17         | 20              | ..                | ..       | 181   |
| 1976-77 . . . . .               | 69              | 58       | 16         | 26              | ..                | ..       | 169   |
| 1977-78 . . . . .               | 82              | 22       | 5          | 16              | ..                | ..       | 125   |
| 1978-79 . . . . .               | 80              | 50       | 17         | 4               | 7                 | ..       | 158   |
| 1979-80 (estimate)(b) . . . . . | 147             | 98       | 34         | 7               | 8                 | ..       | 294   |

(a) Excludes expenditure incurred directly by the Commonwealth on projects common to a number of States.

(b) The 1979-80 allocations between the States overall and the Commonwealth, and as between the States themselves, are still to be determined. No commitment is implied to the provision of the amounts shown.

#### *Assistance to the Mount Lyell Mining and Railway Company Limited*

Since August 1977 the Commonwealth has provided funds to Tasmania towards meeting the cash deficit of the copper mining operation of the Mount Lyell Mining and Railway Company Limited at Queenstown. Under the *Tasmania Grant (The Mount Lyell Mining and Railway Company Limited) Act 1977*, funds were provided initially on a \$1 for \$1 basis with Tasmania. However from November 1977 to 30 September 1978, the Commonwealth agreed to meet all of the cash deficit, less the amount of payroll tax collected by Tasmania from the Company. Since then the Commonwealth has undertaken to provide assistance to Tasmania towards the cash deficit of the Company to 30 June 1980 on a \$1 for \$1 basis with

the State up to a maximum of \$3.8 million, and the Company has undertaken in that period to purchase or to enter commitments to purchase certain mining equipment (estimated to cost \$1.8 million).

In 1977–78 \$3.38 million was advanced to Tasmania. A further \$0.28 million was advanced in 1978–79 in respect of operations in 1977–78. Interim adjustments of assistance in 1978–79 in respect of operations up to 30 June 1978 resulted in repayments to the Commonwealth of \$1.29 million, leaving total assistance outstanding as at 30 June 1979 of \$2.37 million.

An amount of \$0.34 million has been allocated in 1979–80 to provide for payments by the Commonwealth in respect of the period from 1 July 1978 to 30 September 1978. It is understood that the Company has been operating above its cash break-even level since the end of August 1978, and it is not expected that the Company will require further assistance in respect of its operations in 1979–80.

The Commonwealth-State Agreement provides for Mount Lyell to repay advances out of positive cash flow. Preliminary information indicates that repayments amounting to \$2.7 million could be expected in 1979–80.

#### *Assistance to the Chrysotile Corporation of Australia*

The *New South Wales Grant (Chrysotile Corporation) Act 1978* provides for the Commonwealth to provide funds to New South Wales towards meeting the cash deficit of the Chrysotile Corporation's asbestos mine at Barraba for the period 1 October 1978 to 31 December 1979, on a \$1 for \$1 basis with the State, up to a maximum of \$1.4 million. As an Agreement allowing funds to be provided to New South Wales was not executed by 30 June 1979, no funds were advanced in that year. \$1.4 million has been provided in 1979–80 for payment under the Act.

#### *Launceston Precision Tool Annexe*

It is proposed that an amount of \$0.34 million be offered to the Tasmanian Government to facilitate the re-establishment of the Launceston Precision Tool Annexe. The amount would be repayable over 10 years with interest at the long-term bond rate.

#### *Assistance to the States for Water Resources Management and Development*

The Commonwealth has for many years provided financial assistance to the States for water related purposes. Depending on these purposes, this assistance has come under a number of functional headings. While the following tables group all of the relevant assistance together, several projects—*Urban Flood Mitigation* (Brisbane Creeks Scheme), *Urban Water Supply* (Adelaide Water Treatment Scheme) and the *Julius Dam*—are dealt with elsewhere in this paper and in the Statements attached to the Budget Speech under their appropriate functional headings.

In November 1977, the Commonwealth decided to establish a National Water Resources Program to provide assistance for water related purposes over the five years, 1978–79 to 1982–83. The Commonwealth has undertaken to contribute \$200 million over the duration of the program.



The program encompasses the provision of funds to the States by way of grants and/or loans for programs, projects or activities of national significance or in special circumstances, for:

- urban and rural water supplies and water re-use;
- flood mitigation and flood plain management;
- problems representing a threat to long-term use of existing water resources;
- water resources assessment and control; and
- regional planning and management investigations.

Details of assistance provided to the States in 1978–79, amounting in total to \$17.6 million including \$5.8 million dealt with under other functional headings, are given in the table below. For details of assistance in previous years, see Appendix V and earlier issues of this paper.

**Table 52—Payments to the States for Water Projects in 1978-79 (\$ thousands)**

| State             | Amount   | Purpose   |
|-------------------|----------|---|
| New South Wales   | 1 630    | Water Resources Assessment Program—the Commonwealth has contributed grant funds to this program since 1964–65.  |
|                   | 1 000    | Murray Valley Salinity Mitigation—the Commonwealth has decided to contribute on a \$1 for \$1 basis with each of New South Wales, Victoria and South Australia for salinity reduction projects recommended in the interim Murray Valley Salinity Study. |
|                   | 125      | Flood Mitigation Study—provided to complete a joint study with New South Wales to develop comprehensive flood mitigation strategies for the coastal rivers.   |
|                   | 1 000    | Flood Mitigation—provided as a further interim grant for on-going expenditures on approved works included in the coastal rivers flood mitigation program, pending completion of the study referred to above.  |
|                   | 15       | Water Hyacinth Control—final Commonwealth contribution as an equal share with each of New South Wales, Victoria and South Australia for water hyacinth control in the Gwydir River system in New South Wales.   |
| Victoria          | 1 136    | Water Resources Assessment Program ( <i>see above</i> ).  |
| Queensland        | 550      | Murray Valley Salinity Mitigation ( <i>see above</i> ).   |
|                   | 952      | Water Resources Assessment Program ( <i>see above</i> ).  |
|                   | (a)818   | Urban Flood Mitigation—Brisbane Creeks Flood Mitigation Scheme ( <i>see page 62 for details</i> ).  |
|                   | 62       | Flood Mitigation—final payment under the <i>Queensland Grant (Proserpine Flood Mitigation) Act 1976</i> bringing total payments under this Act to \$374 400.  |
| South Australia   | 950      | Bundaberg Irrigation Works—provided as assistance for the construction of reticulation works included in Phase 2 of the project.  |
|                   | (a)500   | Julius Dam ( <i>see page 71 for details</i> ).  |
|                   | 727      | Water Resources Assessment Program ( <i>see above</i> ).  |
| Western Australia | (a)4 490 | Urban Water Supply—Adelaide Water Treatment Scheme ( <i>see page 71 for details</i> ).  |
|                   | 250      | Murray Valley Salinity Mitigation ( <i>see above</i> ).   |
| Tasmania          | 2 000    | Water Resources Assessment Program ( <i>see above</i> ).  |
|                   | 1 018    | Water Supply—Commonwealth contribution to the development of a supplementary water supply for Port Hedland to relieve pressure on existing water supply sources.  |
| Total             | (b)426   | Water Resources Assessment Program ( <i>see above</i> ).  |
| Total             | 17 649   |   |

(a) Included elsewhere in this document under other appropriate functional headings.

(b) Includes \$213 000 committed in 1976–77 under the *States Grants (Water Resources Assessment) Act 1976* but not paid in that year.

It is estimated that, of \$25 million to be provided under the National Water Resources Program in 1979–80, an amount of \$22.8 million will be provided to the States. This comprises \$4 million already allocated to specific programs—including \$2.6 million for Murray Valley salinity mitigation, \$1 million for flood mitigation works on coastal rivers in New South Wales, \$250 000 in respect of the Julius Dam (*see* page 71, \$67 000 under the *Western Australia Agreement (Ord River Irrigation) Act* 1968 and \$62 000 for urban flood mitigation works on the Brisbane Creeks (*see* page 62)—and \$18.8 million not yet allocated. The balance of \$2.2 million under the Program in 1979–80, not classified as payments to the States, is to meet the Commonwealth's contribution to the River Murray Commission (\$1.5 million), reimbursement to the Bureau of Meteorology for water resources assessment work undertaken on behalf of the States (\$0.3 million), and the Australian Water Resources Council's research program (\$0.4 million).

#### *Soil Conservation*

From 1974–75 to 1976–77 \$1.58 million was provided to the States for soil conservation programs under the *States Grants (Soil Conservation) Act* 1974. In 1977–78 the Commonwealth agreed to provide further interim assistance of \$0.2 million pending the completion of a comprehensive study on soil conservation problems. \$95 000 was paid under the *Environment (Financial Assistance) Act* 1977 in 1977–78 and the remaining \$105 000 was made available in 1978–79. The comprehensive study has now been completed and the report is being studied by the Government with a view to determining the nature and extent of future Commonwealth involvement in soil conservation. Payments to the States between 1975–76 and 1978–79 are given in Appendix V.

### ECONOMIC SERVICES—LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

#### *Coal Mining Industry—Long Service Leave*

In those States where coal-miners have been awarded long service leave by industrial tribunals, the State Governments reimburse employers the cost of this leave. The Commonwealth, in turn, reimburses the States for the amounts paid and the administrative costs incurred by them in giving effect to these arrangements.

The funds required for these purposes are obtained from an excise imposed on coal production under the *Coal Excise Act* 1949. The excise is currently 15 cents per tonne of which an amount equivalent to 10 cents per tonne is appropriated to a Trust Fund under the *States Grants (Coal Mining Industry Long Service Leave) Act* 1949. Payments are made to the States from the Trust Fund. The balance of the excise is applied to coal research.

The following table shows payments to the States since 1975-76 and estimated payments in 1979-80:

**Table 53—Grants for Coal Mining Industry Long Service Leave, 1975-76 to 1979-80**  
(\$ thousands)

|                              | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total |
|------------------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|-------|
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 2 779           | ..       | 454        | ..              | 167               | 6        | 3 407 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 3 936           | ..       | 780        | ..              | 241               | 12       | 4 969 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 4 759           | ..       | 730        | ..              | 268               | 27       | 5 784 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 5 447           | ..       | 992        | ..              | 327               | 16       | 6 783 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 6 000           | ..       | 830        | ..              | 300               | 20       | 7 150 |

#### *Apprenticeship Training*

Since 1971-72 the Commonwealth and the States have collaborated in several schemes to improve and extend apprenticeship training. In 1978-79 the Commonwealth provided \$4.2 million to meet costs incurred by the States in employing apprentices surplus to requirements.

In 1979-80 \$0.8 million has been made available for the employment of an estimated 156 apprentices, surplus to requirements, in State Government establishments. A notional distribution of payments to the States for 1979-80 is included in the following table, but no commitment to the provision of these amounts is implied.

**Table 54—Grants for Apprenticeship Training, 1975-76 to 1979-80** (\$ thousands)

|                              | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total |
|------------------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|-------|
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 757             | 852      | 471        | 159             | 455               | 79       | 2 773 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 1 822           | 2 804    | 750        | 313             | 731               | 187      | 6 607 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 2 099           | 2 123    | 971        | 345             | 943               | 209      | 6 689 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 1 393           | 1 062    | 891        | 82              | 571               | 160      | 4 159 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 265             | 120      | 146        | ..              | 219               | 88       | 838   |

#### *Education Program for Unemployed Youth*

Under the Education Program for Unemployed Youth the Commonwealth provides funds to the States to conduct courses to improve the skills and motivation of the young unemployed, particularly those with low or inadequate educational qualifications.

In 1978-79 \$3 million was paid to the States under the program and the Government has decided to provide \$3.5 million in 1979-80. In addition, almost \$2.5 million will be provided as living allowances to trainees under this scheme in 1979-80. This amount forms part of the allocation for allowances under the National Employment and Training Scheme and is not classified as a payment to the States.

The following table shows grants made to the States since 1976-77 and estimates for 1979-80:

**Table 55—Grants for Education for Unemployed Youth, 1976-77 to 1979-80**  
(\$ thousands)

|                    | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total |
|--------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|-------|
| 1976-77            | 170             | 127      | 83         | 40              | 40                | 40       | 500   |
| 1977-78            | 376             | 272      | 437        | 173             | 52                | 156      | 1 466 |
| 1978-79            | 634             | 679      | 722        | 670             | 76                | 219      | 3 000 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) | 800             | 777      | 760        | 745             | 105               | 300      | 3 487 |

### GENERAL PUBLIC SERVICES

#### *Law, Order and Public Safety*

##### *Family Law*

The *Family Law Act 1975*, which came into operation in January 1976, deals with questions of custody and welfare of children, divorce, maintenance and the division of property of a marriage, and is administered by the Family Court of Australia and by certain other State and Territory courts on behalf of the Commonwealth. A State Family Court has been established in Western Australia to administer the Act in that State. An amount of \$1 065 000 was provided to Western Australia in 1977-78 in relation to establishment costs and administration of family law. Future payments to Western Australia will, as is the case with the administration of Family Law Act matters in the other States and the Northern Territory, be made on the basis of reimbursements for services rendered and will not be classified as payments to or for the States.

##### *Promotion of Road Safety Practices*

In each year from 1947-48, grants have been made to the States to assist in the financing of public education programs for the promotion of road safety practices. Since 1970-71 the annual grants to the States have totalled \$150 000 and the distribution between States has also remained constant. The amounts are given in Appendix V.

##### *Research Grants*

Since 1965-66 the Commonwealth has made grants to the States for research projects on the recommendation of the Australian Research Grants Committee. An outline of developments over the period 1965 to 1975 was given in Appendix IV of the 1975-76 issue of this paper.

From 1976-77 onwards, the previous fixed triennial funding arrangements were replaced by a three-year rolling program. An amount of \$11 734 000 was provided in 1978-79, and \$12 370 000 is to be made available to the States in 1979-80. The following table shows grants made since 1975-76 and estimates for 1979-80:

**Table 56—Grants for Research Projects, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|                       | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total  |
|-----------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|--------|
| 1975-76               | 2 340           | 1 553    | 706        | 950             | 320               | 130      | 6 000  |
| 1976-77               | 4 086           | 3 014    | 1 258      | 1 911           | 665               | 236      | 11 171 |
| 1977-78               | 3 867           | 2 470    | 1 080      | 1 886           | 687               | 165      | 10 155 |
| 1978-79               | 4 322           | 2 856    | 1 309      | 2 067           | 908               | 272      | 11 734 |
| 1979-80 (estimate)(a) | 4 577           | 2 907    | 1 386      | 2 177           | 1 014             | 309      | 12 370 |

(a) The State distribution is notional only; it assumes the same proportional distribution as for 1978-79 but there is no commitment in that regard.

#### ASSISTANCE FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Commencing in 1976-77 local government authorities have participated in the income tax sharing arrangements introduced in 1976. Details of these arrangements as well as other schemes of assistance, insofar as they affect local government authorities, are given in Chapter VI.

#### ASSISTANCE FOR NATURAL DISASTER RELIEF

When natural disasters causing damage and destruction occur in a State, the Commonwealth stands ready to join with the State Government concerned on a \$1 for \$1 basis in meeting expenditure on the immediate relief of personal hardship and distress, except where such expenditure is of a very minor nature. Such expenditures may cover provision of food, clothing, shelter and repair of homes to make them habitable and secure.

In respect of 'major' disasters, the Commonwealth also assists with expenditures on other agreed relief and restoration measures when it is considered beyond the capacity of the State concerned to meet these expenditures from its own resources. In 1977 arrangements were made to enable the States to assume automatic Commonwealth agreement to inclusion of certain 'standard' measures under the arrangements following specified major disasters. The States are required to seek Commonwealth approval if they wish to change the terms of previously applied standard measures (e.g. the size of concessional loans). It remains open to a State to request Commonwealth support for non-standard measures which it might wish to implement for a given disaster. The standard measures are as follows:

- (a) grants for relief of personal hardship and distress (cyclones, floods, storms, bushfires);
- (b) grants for restoration of public assets and emergency protection and repair works by State, local and semi-government authorities (disasters as in (a));

- (c) concessional loans to small businesses (cyclones and floods);
- (d) concessional loans to churches, sporting associations and other voluntary non-profit organisations (disasters as in (c));
- (e) concessional loans to primary producers for carry-on, restocking and restoration etc. purposes (cyclones, floods, storms, bushfires and droughts);
- (f) freight subsidies for primary producers (disasters as in (e));
- (g) subsidies for carriage of water to central dispersal points for primary producers (drought); and
- (h) assistance to State, local and semi-government authorities for the disposal of helpless and unsaleable stock (floods, bushfires and droughts).

The financial arrangements which had applied since 1971 were modified in 1978-79. The Commonwealth previously met all expenditures by a State in a year on agreed measures necessitated by major disasters in excess of a base amount set for the State. Under the current arrangements above-base expenditures are financed on a \$3 Commonwealth: \$1 State basis. The State base contributions, which were doubled in 1978-79, are:

|                             | \$ million |
|-----------------------------|------------|
| New South Wales . . . . .   | 10.0       |
| Victoria . . . . .          | 7.0        |
| Queensland . . . . .        | 4.0        |
| South Australia . . . . .   | 3.0        |
| Western Australia . . . . . | 3.0        |
| Tasmania . . . . .          | 1.2        |

Major disasters are defined as those necessitating expenditures on agreed relief and restoration measures in excess of one-tenth of a State's base annual expenditure.

The Commonwealth has undertaken to review the natural disaster cost sharing arrangements prior to the commencement of the 1980-81 financial year.

Table 100 in Appendix III shows payments that have been made to each State since 1975-76 in respect of various types of disaster (drought, flood, storm, cyclone and bushfires). Reflecting the differing incidence of disasters, the amounts vary considerably from one State to another and from one year to another. A large proportion of the assistance to the States for natural disaster relief in 1978-79 was in respect of drought in the mainland States, particularly Western Australia, Queensland and South Australia. Expenditures were also incurred as a result of storm and flood damage in Queensland, Western Australia and New South Wales.

The following table shows payments to the States from 1975-76, including estimated payments in 1979-80. The figures for 1979-80 are estimated payments in respect of past disasters; no allowance has been made for expenditure for the relief of disasters which may occur in 1979-80. Table 101 gives a more detailed breakdown of payments from 1974-75 to 1978-79. Details of payments for natural disaster relief and restoration purposes in previous years are included in Table 158 of the 1975-76 issue of this paper.

**Table 57—Payments for Natural Disaster Relief Assistance(a), 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|                                     | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total  |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|--------|
| PAYMENTS OF A RECURRENT NATURE      |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |        |
| 1975-76.                            | 637             | 35       | 52         | ..              | 83                | ..       | 807    |
| 1976-77.                            | 1 233           | 452      | 45         | ..              | 195               | ..       | 1 925  |
| 1977-78.                            | 1 237           | 99       | 231        | 218             | 526               | ..       | 2 311  |
| 1978-79.                            | 265             | 7        | 1 755      | 501             | 151               | ..       | 2 679  |
| 1979-80 (estimate)                  | ..              | ..       | 204        | ..              | ..                | ..       | 204    |
| PAYMENTS OF A CAPITAL NATURE—GRANTS |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |        |
| 1975-76.                            | 12 596          | 5 937    | 6 319      | 108             | 4 197             | -7       | 29 150 |
| 1976-77.                            | 10 006          | 1 540    | 10 645     | ..              | 1 506             | ..       | 23 697 |
| 1977-78.                            | 6 945           | 522      | 11 080     | 15              | 2 258             | ..       | 20 820 |
| 1978-79.                            | 1 895           | 805      | 5 773      | ..              | 1 372             | ..       | 9 844  |
| 1979-80 (estimate)                  | ..              | ..       | 5 195      | ..              | ..                | ..       | 5 195  |
| PAYMENTS OF A CAPITAL NATURE—LOANS  |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |        |
| 1975-76.                            | 672             | 278      | 81         | ..              | 67                | ..       | 1 098  |
| 1976-77.                            | 1 490           | 888      | 449        | ..              | 2 001             | ..       | 4 828  |
| 1977-78.                            | 1 485           | 1 291    | 3 762      | 12 117          | 15 714            | ..       | 34 369 |
| 1978-79.                            | 984             | 201      | 1 434      | 4 929           | 6 895             | ..       | 14 444 |
| 1979-80 (estimate)                  | ..              | ..       | 101        | ..              | ..                | ..       | 101    |
| TOTAL PAYMENTS                      |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |        |
| 1975-76.                            | 13 905          | 6 250    | 6 452      | 108             | 4 347             | -7       | 31 055 |
| 1976-77.                            | 12 729          | 2 880    | 11 139     | ..              | 3 702             | ..       | 30 450 |
| 1977-78.                            | 9 667           | 1 912    | 15 073     | 12 350          | 18 498            | ..       | 57 500 |
| 1978-79.                            | 3 144           | 1 013    | 8 962      | 5 430           | 8 418             | ..       | 26 967 |
| 1979-80 (estimate)                  | ..              | ..       | 5 500      | ..              | ..                | ..       | 5 500  |

(a) Excludes the cost of emergency services provided by the Defence Force.

## CHAPTER V—PAYMENTS TO THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

On 1 July 1978 the Northern Territory of Australia became a self-governing territory under the *Northern Territory (Self-Government) Act 1978*. Under this and associated legislation (and regulations thereunder) the Territory has expenditure responsibilities and revenue raising powers broadly approximating those of a State (though, of course, the Territory is not a State under the Constitution). As a prelude, executive responsibility for certain functions was transferred to the Northern Territory Executive on 1 January 1977 (part of the Department of the Northern Territory) and 1 January 1978 (the Crown Law function of the Attorney-General's Department).

### FUNCTIONS TRANSFERRED

The Assembly of the Northern Territory has power, with the assent of the Administrator or Governor-General, to make laws 'for the peace, order and good government of the Territory' and the Ministers of the Territory have executive authority in respect of the following main matters:

Remuneration, allowances and other entitlements in respect of services of members of the Legislative Assembly, members of the Executive Council and Ministers of the Territory

Territory insurance

Territory banking

Taxation, including stamp duty

Provision of rural, industrial and home finance credit and assistance

The Public Service of the Territory

Maintenance of law and order and the administration of justice (including legal aid and correctional services)

Police

Private law

Administration of estates and trusts

Civil liberties

Inquiries and administrative reviews (including matters relating to a Territory ombudsman)

Markets and marketing

Corporate affairs

Marketable securities

Consumer affairs

Sales and leases of goods, supply of services, and security interests in or over goods

Prices and rent control

Industry (including forestry, fisheries, pastoral, agricultural, building and manufacturing)

Regulation of businesses and professions

Tourism

Printing and publishing

Labour relations (including training and apprenticeship and workers' compensation and compulsory insurance or indemnity therefor)



- Industrial safety
- Mining and minerals (excluding uranium but including gases and hydrocarbon fuels)
- Land, public and private (including internal waters)
- Land use, planning and development
- Surface transport regulation (including traffic control, carriers, roads and bridges, vehicle registration and compulsory third party insurance, driver licensing and road safety)
- Ports and harbours
- Environment protection and conservation (including parks, reserves and gardens and preservation of historical objects and areas)
- Flora and fauna
- Fire prevention and control
- Water resources
- Energy planning and regulation
- Public utilities
- Public works
- Registration of land titles, instruments, and births, deaths and marriages
- Local government
- Housing
- Public health (transferred on 1 January 1979)
- Education (transferred on 1 July 1979)
- Territory archives
- Child, family and social welfare
- Museums, libraries and art galleries
- Scientific research
- Recreation, entertainment and sport
- Community, cultural and ethnic affairs
- Lotteries, betting and gaming
- Liquor
- Firearms, explosives and hazardous and dangerous substances
- Civil defence and emergency services
- Censorship
- Agreements between the Territory and the Commonwealth or a State or States
- Matters incidental to the execution of any executive authority vested in the Ministers of the Territory

#### OUTLINE OF FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS

This section summarises the main features of the financial arrangements between the Commonwealth and the Northern Territory which are set out in a Memorandum of Understanding agreed between the Commonwealth and Northern Territory Governments.

##### *Types of Payments to be made to the Northern Territory*

From 1 July 1979 financial arrangements apply which are modelled on those between the Commonwealth and the States. The Northern Territory receives a

tax sharing entitlement, a local government tax sharing entitlement, and appropriate specific purpose payments, under arrangements similar to those which apply in the case of the States. In addition, the Territory receives from the Commonwealth general purpose capital assistance analogous to a State Government Loan Council program (comprising one-third grant, and two-thirds loan on the same terms and conditions as apply to the State Governments' Loan Council program).

Borrowings by Northern Territory semi-government and local authorities continue to be covered by the Loan Council arrangements and programs applying to Commonwealth authorities. Individual borrowings by these authorities may be guaranteed by the Commonwealth in appropriate circumstances.

#### *Special Grant and Additional Assistance Grant*

The Northern Territory has been given access to the Commonwealth Grants Commission on the same basis as a claimant State, that is, it is eligible to apply for a special grant on the recommendation of the Grants Commission.

As part of the agreed arrangements between the Commonwealth and Northern Territory Governments, however, an additional assistance grant of \$20 million will be payable in each of the first three years of operation of the State-type financial arrangements and this will be gradually phased out over the following three years. The additional assistance grant is intended to ensure that initially total Commonwealth funds to the Territory are at a level commensurate with historical levels; special grants are based on comparison with the States. An additional assistance grant will not be payable in a year in which a special grant is recommended for payment if such special grant exceeds the additional grant otherwise payable. The intention is that in these initial years the Territory should receive *either* a special grant or an additional grant, whichever is greater.

#### *Assistance for expenditure on Aboriginals*

Overall responsibility for policy planning and co-ordination in respect of Aboriginal affairs remains with the Commonwealth. However, a considerable part of expenditure in the Territory on various transferred functions is directed towards Aboriginals. Allowance for continued relatively high per capita expenditure on the Aboriginal people of the Northern Territory will be made by means of the normal Commonwealth assistance to the Northern Territory. The Northern Territory Government has agreed to give full consideration to the needs of the Aboriginal people in setting its expenditure priorities.

#### *Debt Charges*

As noted above, the Territory receives from the Commonwealth funds analogous to the State Governments' Loan Council program and has to meet debt charges on a portion of these funds under terms and conditions analogous to those that apply to the States. However, it has been agreed that in the early years of self-government, the Commonwealth will make specific purpose payments to the Northern Territory equal to the debt charges on the capital funds analogous to the State Governments' Loan Council program. After some years when the rate

of growth of these debt charges has declined it may be agreed to replace the specific purpose payments by an appropriate addition to the general revenue funds provided by the Commonwealth.

### *Mineral Revenues*

Special arrangements have been entered into in relation to mineral revenues, the principal features being as follows. Ownership of minerals other than uranium is vested in the Crown in the right of the Northern Territory which will have the right to collect royalties. The Commonwealth will continue to make payments into the Aboriginal Trust Account in accordance with the *Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Act 1976* and on this basis a once-for-all adjustment has been made to the Northern Territory tax sharing entitlement base for 1979-80.

The Commonwealth will retain ownership of uranium but will make an additional grant to the Northern Territory of an amount in lieu of uranium royalties at 1½ per cent. Payment of this grant will be conditional on the Northern Territory ensuring that the terms of stamp duties and other charges, etc. applying to mining agreements or to financial transactions in respect of such agreements are in line with those that apply in the States. In addition, the Commonwealth has agreed to reimburse the Northern Territory for additional capital or other expenditure, arising from the proposed uranium developments, to the extent that such expenditure is incurred by the Northern Territory in accordance with prior specific arrangements agreed between the two governments.

### *Transfer of Assets*

Assets transferred to the Northern Territory under the provisions of Section 69 of the *Northern Territory (Self-Government) Act* did not attract a capital liability payable to the Commonwealth except in the case of the assets associated with the following items, in respect of which there is a capital liability as indicated in each instance.

(a) *Staff Housing*

Each dwelling transferred to the Northern Territory attracted a capital liability of \$19 000 repayable over 53 years from the date of transfer at an interest rate of 5 per cent per annum.

(b) *Northern Territory Housing Commission*

The capital liability of the Northern Territory Housing Commission as at 30 June 1978 and the terms and conditions applying to the advances comprising that liability has been assumed by the Northern Territory.

(c) *Electricity Supply*

Assets have been transferred at a valuation of \$55.983 million, repayable over 20 years at the appropriate semi-government interest rate current at the time of transfer.

(d) *Water Supply and Sewerage*

Assets have been transferred at a valuation of \$16 million repayable at an annual redemption of 0.85 per cent plus interest at 5 per cent per annum.

## OPERATION OF STATE-TYPE FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS

1978-79 was a transitional year to allow time for the administrative framework and financial arrangements of the Commonwealth/State financial model to be developed in respect of the functions transferred on 1 July 1978, and for planning the subsequent transfer of the education and health functions. The general approach which has been followed in settling the financial arrangements is described in the Memorandum of Understanding in the following words:

### *'General Approach*

16. The first step will be to settle an overall amount for revenue assistance (i.e. assistance for recurrent expenditures) for the Northern Territory in year 1 (the first year of operation of the State-type financial model), an overall amount for capital assistance for year 1 and an appropriate borrowing program under the umbrella of the Commonwealth's semi-government borrowing program for year 1 within the Loan Council arrangements.

17. The second step will be to dissect the overall amounts of revenue and capital assistance for year 1 into various categories of payments and to specify the terms and conditions which will apply to the payments.

18. The overall amounts referred to in paragraph 16 above will be settled having regard to the levels of the relevant provisions in the years preceding year 1, and the special needs of the Territory. It should be noted, however, that the overall amount for revenue assistance could, in effect, be determined by any special grant paid after inquiry and recommendation by the Commonwealth Grants Commission, and in the case of the semi-government borrowing program, the figure ultimately will be determined by the Loan Council.

19. The Commonwealth has given an assurance that Commonwealth assistance to the Northern Territory will be sufficient to maintain standards of service at an overall equivalent to that presently provided pending the examination by the Grants Commission, of the Territory's current revenue and expenditures, this on the understanding that the Territory will make a reasonable revenue raising effort.

20. The terms and conditions attaching to the various payments referred to in paragraph 17 above will in appropriate cases include a formula for determining the levels of assistance in the years beyond year 1. In other cases the level of assistance in those years will be determined by the Commonwealth in the context of its priorities and its own budgetary constraints and in light of the needs of the Territory. These are similar to the arrangements which apply between the Commonwealth and the States.'

### PAYMENTS TO THE NORTHERN TERRITORY AND BORROWINGS BY NORTHERN TERRITORY AUTHORITIES IN 1977-78, 1978-79 AND 1979-80

For 1977-78 and 1978-79 most of the Commonwealth funds for the Territory were provided as 'global allocations'. The global allocation for 1977-78 included amounts specified as being for various functions. For 1978-79 the global allocation more closely approximated a general purpose payment but did include some elements (notably the operating subsidy of \$23 million for the Electricity Commission) which were subject to agreed conditions.

For 1979-80, in accordance with the Memorandum of Understanding, funds are being provided under various categories of general and specific purpose assistance, under arrangements which are based on those with the States. These

detailed categories of assistance for 1979-80 do not correspond with those that applied in 1977-78 and 1978-79 and consequently year to year comparisons of the figures can only be made at a very broad level of aggregation and have limited value.

It should also be noted that in 1977-78, and to a lesser extent in 1978-79, a considerable part of overall Commonwealth expenditure in the Northern Territory was in respect of functions not then transferred to the Northern Territory and was included in the appropriations administered by various Commonwealth departments. Such expenditures are not included in this Chapter. That is to say, the payments for the years 1977-78 and 1978-79, as set out below, do not represent total Commonwealth payments for the Northern Territory, but (with the exception of the establishment grant) only those payments made direct to the Northern Territory. The very large increase in payments in 1978-79 compared with the previous year reflects the additional functions transferred to the Northern Territory in 1978-79 and thus funded by way of direct payments. In comparing total estimated payments to the Northern Territory in 1979-80 with payments in 1978-79, allowance should be made for the transfer of responsibility for health on 1 January 1979 and education on 1 July 1979.

The table immediately below shows payments to the Northern Territory, borrowing programs of Northern Territory authorities, and interest paid by the Northern Territory to the Commonwealth for 1977-78 and 1978-79 and estimates for 1979-80. The succeeding table gives the details of the estimates for 1979-80. (For the reasons set out above, corresponding details are not available for 1977-78 and 1978-79.)

**Table 58—Commonwealth Payments to the Northern Territory, Borrowings by Northern Territory and Interest Payable by the Northern Territory to the Commonwealth**

|  | 1977-78       |               | 1978-79        |                 | 1979-80<br>(Estimates) |                 |
|--|---------------|---------------|----------------|-----------------|------------------------|-----------------|
|  | \$'000        | \$ per capita | \$'000         | \$ per capita   | \$'000                 | \$ per capita   |
| Global Allocation(a)(b)                    | 52 501        | 479.90        | 280 000        | 2 445.41        | ..                     | ..              |
| Establishment Grants                       | 264           | 2.41          | 330            | 2.88            | 10                     | 0.08            |
| General Purpose Payments                   | ..            | ..            | ..             | ..              | 333 896                | 2 817.69        |
| <i>Specific Purpose Payments</i>           |               |               |                |                 |                        |                 |
| Drug Education                             | ..            | ..            | 9              | 0.08            | 22                     | 0.19            |
| Public Hospital—Running Costs              | ..            | ..            | 9 319          | 81.39           | 21 571                 | 182.03          |
| Control of Encephalitis                    | ..            | ..            | 8              | 0.07            | 8                      | 0.07            |
| Community Health                           | ..            | ..            | 40             | 0.35            | 490                    | 4.14            |
| Housing for Aborigines                     | ..            | ..            | ..             | ..              | 706                    | 5.96            |
| National Estate                            | ..            | ..            | 80             | 0.70            | 150                    | 1.27            |
| Exotic Diseases Eradication                | ..            | ..            | 50             | 0.44            | ..                     | ..              |
| Other                                      | ..            | ..            | ..             | ..              | 85 158                 | 718.63          |
| Total Specific Purpose Payments(c)(d)      | ..            | ..            | 9 505          | 83.01           | 108 105                | 912.28          |
| <b>TOTAL PAYMENTS(gross)(d)</b>            | <b>52 765</b> | <b>482.31</b> | <b>289 835</b> | <b>2 531.31</b> | <b>442 011</b>         | <b>3 730.05</b> |
| Payment Direct to Local Authorities(e)     | ..            | ..            | ..             | ..              | 145                    | 1.22            |
| Less Repayments(f)                         | ..            | ..            | 1 776          | 15.51           | 1 873                  | 15.81           |
| <b>TOTAL PAYMENTS (net)(d)</b>             | <b>52 765</b> | <b>482.31</b> | <b>288 059</b> | <b>2 515.80</b> | <b>440 283</b>         | <b>3 715.47</b> |
| <i>Borrowings—</i>                         |               |               |                |                 |                        |                 |
| Authorities' Programs(g)                   | 3 147         | 28.77         | 7 115          | 62.14           | 31 788                 | 268.25          |
| Borrowings by Smaller Authorities(h)       | ..            | ..            | 631            | 5.51            | 2 890                  | 24.39           |
| <b>TOTAL BORROWINGS</b>                    | <b>3 147</b>  | <b>28.77</b>  | <b>7 746</b>   | <b>67.66</b>    | <b>34 678</b>          | <b>292.64</b>   |
| <i>Interest Payable to Commonwealth(f)</i> | ..            | ..            | 11 631         | 101.58          | 14 926                 | 125.96          |

(a) The global allocation for 1977-78 included amounts specified as being for various functions. For 1978-79 the global allocation more closely approximated a general purpose grant. However, the figure includes some amounts subject to agreed conditions, notably \$23 million for the subsidy for the Electricity Commission.

(b) Includes payments for Northern Territory local authorities shown separately in Chapter VI.

(c) Excluding the specific purpose element of global allocations for 1977-78 and 1978-79. See footnote (a).

(d) Note that, as explained in the text the figures are not on a comparable basis as between years.

(e) For pre-schools and child care—see Chapter VI.

(f) In respect of the loan portion of the general purpose capital payments and the capital liability attaching to the transfer of certain assets (see text above).

(g) Allowance within Commonwealth authorities' Loan Council borrowing program for Northern Territory and its authorities.

(h) Estimated borrowings off-program by Northern Territory authorities borrowing not more than \$1.2 million in 1979-80.

**Table 59—Comonwealth Payments to the Northern Territory, Borrowings by the Northern Territory and Interest Payable by the Northern Territory to the Commonwealth, 1979-80**

|  | \$'000         | \$ per capita   |
|--|----------------|-----------------|
| <i>General Revenue Funds—</i>                              |                |                 |
| Personal Income Tax Sharing Entitlement . . . . .          | 206 997        | 1 746.81        |
| Additional Assistance Grant . . . . .                      | 20 000         | 168.78          |
| Establishment Grant . . . . .                              | 10             | 0.08            |
| <b>Total General Revenue Funds . . . . .</b>               | <b>227 007</b> | <b>1 915.67</b> |
| <i>General Purpose Capital Funds—</i>                      |                |                 |
| Borrowings (from Commonwealth) . . . . .                   | 71 266         | 601.40          |
| Capital Grants . . . . .                                   | 35 633         | 306.70          |
| <b>Total General Purpose Capital Funds . . . . .</b>       | <b>106 899</b> | <b>902.10</b>   |
| <b>TOTAL GENERAL PURPOSE FUNDS . . . . .</b>               | <b>333 906</b> | <b>2 817.77</b> |
| <i>Specific Purpose Payments—Recurrent Purposes—</i>       |                |                 |
| Debt Charges Assistance . . . . .                          | 3 400          | 28.69           |
| Tertiary Education . . . . .                               | 3 455          | 29.16           |
| Schools . . . . .  | 3 487          | 29.43           |
| Drug Education . . . . .                                   | 22             | 0.19            |
| Pre-School Education . . . . .                             | 580            | 4.89            |
| Home Care Services . . . . .                               | 11             | 0.09            |
| Public Hospitals—Running Costs . . . . .                   | 21 571         | 182.03          |
| Control of Encephalitis . . . . .                          | 8              | 0.07            |
| Community Health . . . . .                                 | 480            | 4.05            |
| Blood Transfusion Services . . . . .                       | 75             | 0.63            |
| Health Services—Planning and Research . . . . .            | 10             | 0.08            |
| School Dental Scheme . . . . .                             | 332            | 2.80            |
| Assistance for Deserted Wives . . . . .                    | 250            | 2.11            |
| Sacred Sites Grants . . . . .                              | 80             | 0.68            |
| National Fitness Program . . . . .                         | 20             | 0.17            |
| Electricity . . . . .                                      | 30 000         | 253.16          |
| Commonwealth Extension Services Grant . . . . .            | 50             | 0.42            |
| Bovine Brucellosis and TB Eradication . . . . .            | 1 394          | 11.76           |
| Education Program for Unemployed Youth . . . . .           | 65             | 0.55            |
| Assistance for Local Government . . . . .                  | 1 062          | 8.96            |
| <b>Total Specific Purpose Payments—Recurrent . . . . .</b> | <b>66 352</b>  | <b>559.93</b>   |
| <i>Specific Purpose Payments—Capital Purposes—</i>         |                |                 |
| Tertiary Education . . . . .                               | 2 541          | 21.44           |
| Schools . . . . .  | 1 807          | 15.25           |
| School Dental Scheme . . . . .                             | 76             | 0.64            |
| Community Health . . . . .                                 | 10             | 0.08            |
| Blood Transfusion Services . . . . .                       | 13             | 0.11            |
| Housing . . . . .  | 14 000         | 118.14          |
| Housing for Aborigines . . . . .                           | 706            | 5.96            |
| National Estate Program . . . . .                          | 150            | 1.27            |
| Roads . . . . .  | 19 000         | 160.34          |
| Water Resources Assessment . . . . .                       | 1 940          | 16.37           |
| Rural Adjustment Scheme . . . . .                          | 500            | 4.22            |
| Jabiru Township Infrastructure . . . . .                   | 1 010          | 8.52            |
| <b>Total Specific Purpose Payments—Capital . . . . .</b>   | <b>41 753</b>  | <b>352.35</b>   |
| <b>TOTAL SPECIFIC PURPOSE PAYMENTS . . . . .</b>           | <b>108 105</b> | <b>912.28</b>   |
| <b>TOTAL PAYMENTS (gross) . . . . .</b>                    | <b>442 011</b> | <b>3 730.05</b> |
| Payment to Local Authorities(a) . . . . .                  | 145            | 1.22            |
| <i>Less Repayments(b)</i> . . . . .                        | 1 873          | 15.81           |
| <b>TOTAL PAYMENTS (net) . . . . .</b>                      | <b>440 283</b> | <b>3 715.47</b> |

|   | \$                |               |
|---|-------------------|---------------|
|   | \$'000 per capita |               |
| <i>Borrowings—</i>                      |                   |               |
| Authorities Programs(c)                 | 31 788            | 268.25        |
| Borrowings by Smaller Authorities(d)    | 2 890             | 24.39         |
| <b>TOTAL BORROWINGS</b>                 | <b>34 678</b>     | <b>292.64</b> |
| <b>INTEREST PAYABLE TO COMMONWEALTH</b> | <b>14 926</b>     | <b>125.96</b> |

(a) See footnote (e) to previous table.

(b) See footnote (f) to previous table.

(c) See footnote (g) to previous table.

(d) See footnote (h) to previous table.

### *General Purpose Payments*

The general purpose payments to the Northern Territory comprise general purpose revenue payments (tax sharing entitlement and additional assistance grant) and general purpose capital payments (provided on terms and conditions analogous to those applying to the State Governments' Loan Council program). As indicated above, the general purpose payments for 1979–80 have been determined, in accordance with the Memorandum of Understanding, as residuals after the allocation of specific purpose payments from within a global figure.

The Memorandum of Understanding provides formulae for determining the tax sharing entitlements and the general purpose capital payments in future years.

The tax sharing entitlement for a year ('n') after 1979–80 will be determined by multiplying the tax sharing entitlement of the preceding year ('n-1') by:

$$\frac{\text{net Commonwealth personal income tax collections in year (n-1)}}{\text{net Commonwealth personal income tax collections in year (n-2)}}$$

X

$$\frac{\text{NT population at 31 December in year (n)}}{\text{NT population at 31 December in year (n-1)}}$$

The level of the general purpose capital payment for a year after 1979–80 will be obtained by changing the preceding year's payment in proportion to the corresponding States' program. The Memorandum of Understanding notes the possibility of the amounts determined by the formula being supplemented from time to time by temporary or permanent additions to the program to allow for growth and development in the Territory. Such additions would be analogous to additions made from time to time to the Loan Council program of States which have a particular need.

As in the case of the analogous payments to the States, one-third of the general purpose capital payments to the Northern Territory will be paid as a capital grant. The remaining two-thirds will be provided at the same rates of interest as the States pay on their corresponding borrowing program and the Territory will be liable to make payments to the Commonwealth analogous to the Sinking Fund liabilities of the States under the Financial Agreement. (As noted above, some special debt charges assistance is to be provided to the Territory to enable it to meet these charges.)



For 1979-80 the Commonwealth Grants Commission has recommended an advance *special grant* of \$10 million for the Territory. Since the recommended special grant is less than \$20 million the Territory will receive an additional assistance grant of \$20 million in 1979-80 (instead of a special grant) under arrangements set out in the Memorandum of Understanding and summarised above. In accordance with the Grants Commission's usual procedure a completion grant in respect of 1979-80 will be recommended in 1981-82 on the basis of detailed examination of the Territory's audited accounts for 1979-80.

#### *Specific Purpose Payments*

A few specific purpose payments were made to the Northern Territory in 1978-79. In accordance with the Memorandum of Understanding a wide range of specific purpose payments is to be made in 1979-80 and following years. The amounts for 1979-80 are shown in the above table. In most cases the terms and conditions have yet to be settled, but generally they are to be modelled on the terms and conditions attaching to the corresponding payments to the States (*see* Chapter IV).

Details of specific purpose payments to the Northern Territory are set out below for cases where there are special features to record.

#### *Payments for Recurrent Costs of Public Hospitals*

The Commonwealth entered into an agreement with the Northern Territory under Section 30 of the *Health Insurance Act* 1973 with effect from 1 January 1979. Payments of \$9.319 million were made to the Territory in 1978-79 under the Health Insurance Act to meet 50 per cent of net operating costs of public hospitals in the Territory for the period 1 January to 30 June 1979. Provision has been made for the payment in 1979-80 of \$21.571 million for hospital operating costs.

#### *Welfare Housing Payments*

An amount of up to \$14 million is to be provided to the Northern Territory in 1979-80 for welfare housing purposes. Of this amount, advances for welfare housing of up to \$8.7 million, repayable at low rates of interest over a 53 year period, will be provided to assist the Territory to provide concessional rental accommodation for low income earners and concessional loans to assist low income earners into home ownership. The remaining \$5.3 million will be provided in the form of non-repayable grants.

#### *Aboriginal Sacred Sites Protection Authority*

Included in the Department of Aboriginal Affairs 1979-80 appropriations is an amount of \$80 000 for payment to the Aboriginal Sacred Sites Protection Authority in the Northern Territory. This body will process applications by Aboriginals for the registration of sacred sites. It will have a responsibility to undertake the protection of such sites in accordance with the provisions of the *Aboriginal Sacred Sites Ordinance* 1978 of the Northern Territory.

### *Jabiru Township—Contribution to Social Infrastructure*

The Commonwealth has undertaken to reimburse the Northern Territory Government for additional capital or other expenditure, arising from the proposed uranium developments, to the extent that such expenditure is incurred by the Northern Territory Government in accordance with prior specific arrangements agreed between the two Governments. In 1979–80 expenditure of \$1.01 million is estimated for social infrastructure costs at Jabiru Township under this arrangement.

### *Northern Territory Electricity Commission—Subsidy*

Under the Memorandum of Understanding between the Commonwealth and the Northern Territory, the Commonwealth has agreed to provide a subsidy for the operations of the Commission up to 1981–82 based on the difference between estimated operating costs and revenue at projected average North Queensland tariffs. This is subject to either the addition to the subsidy of half the amount by which the operating losses in a particular year exceed the projected average loss or the reduction of the subsidy by half the amount by which the operating losses in a particular year fall short of the projected average loss. These arrangements are designed to provide incentives to the Commission to improve the efficiency of its operation. The subsidy arrangements are to be reviewed at the end of 1981–82, subject to the right of either Government to request an earlier review in extraordinary circumstances.

## CHAPTER VI—PAYMENTS TO OR FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES

Local government authorities in Australia (except in the Northern Territory) are established under Acts of the State Parliaments for the purpose of providing certain public services within defined geographical boundaries. The functions of these authorities differ significantly between States and, indeed, within States.

Prior to 1973 no Commonwealth assistance was provided specifically for local government in the States. Successive Commonwealth Governments had taken the view that as local authorities were constituted and functioned under State laws, it was the responsibility of the State Governments to assess and provide for the needs of local government in the light of local government's overall responsibilities and the revenue raising resources available to it. The Commonwealth, for its part, provided general purpose funds to the States to assist in the financing of all the States' expenditure responsibilities, including in the local government area.

(There were, however, over this period, and there continue to be now, a number of Commonwealth programs—mostly of a relatively minor kind—under which local authorities are among the bodies eligible for assistance either directly or through the States. Details of these programs are provided later in this Chapter).

The major developments concerning Commonwealth assistance for local government in recent years are summarized below.

While the borrowing arrangements of local government authorities do not involve Commonwealth payments to or for such authorities, this Chapter includes material on such funds because of their relevance in the general context of inter-government financial relations.

Then follows an outline of various Commonwealth programs involving payments to or for local government authorities. The Chapter ends with a summary of the various forms of such payments in the years 1975–76 to 1979–80.

Particulars of programs in respect of which expenditures were not made in 1978–79 nor are expected to be made in 1979–80 but which involve expenditures in earlier years may be found in previous issues of this paper.

### GENERAL PURPOSE ASSISTANCE PROVIDED ON ADVICE OF THE GRANTS COMMISSION

In 1973 the Commonwealth Parliament passed the *Grants Commission Act 1973* repealing the *Commonwealth Grants Commission Act 1933*. The 1973 Act, inter alia, laid down procedures for regional organisations of local government to apply for financial assistance from the Commonwealth and for such applications to be the subject of inquiry and report by the Grants Commission. It also provided that the grants to the States for local authorities should be provided in such a way as to promote financial equality between local authorities and regional groupings of such authorities.

After consideration of written and oral submissions and evidence from interested parties, the Commission recommended grants for local government totalling \$56 345 000 in 1974-75 and \$79 908 000 in 1975-76, and further recommended that the grants be paid without conditions attached to their use by local government authorities. The Commonwealth accepted the Commission's recommendations in both years. The payments were made in the first instance to State Governments for transmission to individual local government authorities in the amounts specified. Payments made to each State in 1975-76 are set out in Table 61 below.

These arrangements were replaced in 1976 by the tax sharing arrangements described below, and the Grants Commission ceased to be responsible for recommending amounts to be paid to specific local authorities or regional groups (*Commonwealth Grants Commission Act 1976*).

#### LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE UNDER THE TAX SHARING ARRANGEMENTS

As noted in Chapter II, the sharing of personal income tax between the Commonwealth, the States and local government represents a central element in the Government's Federalism policy.

The arrangements agreed in 1976 between the Commonwealth and the States for the sharing of personal income tax collections with local government, and subsequently incorporated in the *Local Government (Personal Income Tax Sharing) Act 1976*, are broadly as follows:

- each year local government in the States will be entitled to a fixed percentage of net personal income tax collections in the previous year;
- the amount so derived will be divided among the States in specified proportions which are subject to recommendation by the Commonwealth Grants Commission;
- each State will allocate a minimum of 30 per cent of the assistance among local authorities on a basis which takes into account the respective populations of those local authorities, but which may also take into account the respective sizes and the respective population densities, and any other matters agreed upon between the Commonwealth and the State concerned;
- the remaining assistance will be allocated among the local authorities, having regard to their respective financial needs, on the recommendation of State Grants Commissions.

The Act currently provides that the fixed percentage (of the previous year's net personal income tax collections) for local government in the States is 1.52 per cent. That entitlement is to be increased to 1.75 per cent for 1979-80 subject to passage of legislation to amend the *Local Government (Personal Income Tax Sharing) Act 1976* which is expected to be introduced into the Parliament early in the Budget Session. The increase is the first step towards fulfilling the Prime Minister's undertaking of November 1977 to raise the entitlement to 2 per cent over the following three years.

The Act provides for the assistance to be distributed amongst the States as follows:

**Table 60—Tax Sharing Funds for Local Government Authorities—  
Percentage Distribution Between States**

|                             | Per cent |
|-----------------------------|----------|
| New South Wales . . . . .   | 36.4977  |
| Victoria . . . . .          | 25.4513  |
| Queensland . . . . .        | 16.8606  |
| South Australia . . . . .   | 8.6010   |
| Western Australia . . . . . | 9.3897   |
| Tasmania . . . . .          | 3.1997   |
| Total . . . . .             | 100.0000 |

The following table shows the amount of assistance paid to each State in the years 1975-76 to 1978-79 and the amount to be paid in 1979-80 for on-passing as general purpose assistance to local government authorities:

**Table 61—Grants to States for On-passing as General Purpose Assistance for Local Government, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|                         | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total   |
|-------------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|---------|
| 1975-76(a) . . . . .    | 29 257          | 20 242   | 13 808     | 6 785           | 7 524             | 2 292    | 79 908  |
| 1976-77(b) . . . . .    | 51 289          | 35 398   | 24 222     | 11 925          | 13 162            | 4 004    | 140 000 |
| 1977-78(b) . . . . .    | 60 341          | 42 078   | 27 875     | 14 220          | 15 524            | 5 290    | 165 328 |
| 1978-79(b) . . . . .    | 65 487          | 45 666   | 30 252     | 15 433          | 16 848            | 5 741    | 179 427 |
| 1979-80(b)(c) . . . . . | 80 930          | 56 436   | 37 387     | 19 072          | 20 821            | 7 095    | 221 739 |

(a) Amounts recommended by the Commonwealth Grants Commission.

(b) Allocation between States based on a percentage distribution recommended by the Commonwealth Grants Commission.

(c) Estimated on the basis of a local government tax share of 1.75 per cent of net personal income tax collections in 1978-79.

#### BORROWING ARRANGEMENTS FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES

As explained in Chapter III, the borrowings of Commonwealth and State Government authorities, including those of local government authorities, come within the purview of the Loan Council under the Gentlemen's Agreement originating in 1936. The Loan Council determines maximum interest rates and other terms and conditions of loans raised by authorities and also approves annual overall programs for 'larger' authorities (for 1978-79 those borrowing more than \$1 million in the year, for 1979-80 those borrowing over \$1.2 million in the year) of the Commonwealth and each State. These borrowings are arranged by the individual authorities, with guarantees and other assistance being provided in some cases by the Government concerned.

### *Borrowings by Local Government Authorities 1978-79 and 1979-80*

The table below shows aggregate borrowings by all 'larger' and 'smaller' authorities in 1978-79 and the amounts borrowed within these aggregates by local government authorities, together with corresponding estimates for 1979-80. (Figures for earlier years are given in Appendix II). It will be seen that a considerable proportion of, but not all, borrowings in the 'smaller' authorities category are made by local government authorities. It will be seen also that the amounts of borrowings by local government authorities vary markedly between the States (after taking account of differences in population). This reflects a number of factors including, importantly, variations between the States in the range of functions allocated to local government. As an example, the particularly high figures for Queensland reflect, in part, large borrowings by the Brisbane City Council, which carries out a number of functions (eg, sewerage) which in other States are undertaken by semi-government authorities.

Under the financial arrangements applying between the Commonwealth and the Northern Territory from 1 July 1978, Northern Territory semi-government and local authorities are covered by the Loan Council arrangements applying to Commonwealth authorities; individual borrowings may be guaranteed by the Commonwealth in appropriate circumstances—*see* Chapter V.

**Table 62—New Money Borrowings By Commonwealth and State Authorities (Excluding Infrastructure Financing), 1978-79 and 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|                                   | 'Larger' Authorities(a) |                              | 'Smaller' Authorities(b) |                              | All Local Government Authorities (c) |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
|                                   | Total                   | Local Government Authorities | Total                    | Local Government Authorities |                                      |
| 1978-79 ACTUAL                    |                         |                              |                          |                              |                                      |
| Commonwealth Government . . . . . | 288 957                 | ..                           | 853                      | (d)631                       | (d)631                               |
| New South Wales . . . . .         | (e)471 996              | (f)133 046                   | 115 445                  | (f)82 595                    | (f)215 641                           |
| Victoria . . . . .                | 382 645                 | 15 295                       | 111 906                  | 66 500                       | 81 795                               |
| Queensland . . . . .              | (e)244 256              | 90 252                       | 77 179                   | 36 457                       | 126 709                              |
| South Australia . . . . .         | 56 828                  | 4 300                        | 51 746                   | 20 321                       | 24 621                               |
| Western Australia . . . . .       | (e)104 656              | 7 815                        | 45 711                   | 31 471                       | 39 286                               |
| Tasmania . . . . .                | 34 444                  | 9 571                        | 17 536                   | 8 270                        | 17 841                               |
| Total States . . . . .            | 1 294 825               | 260 279                      | 419 523                  | 245 614                      | 505 893                              |
| Grand Total . . . . .             | 1 583 782               | 260 279                      | 420 376                  | 246 245                      | 506 524                              |
| 1979-80 ESTIMATES(g)              |                         |                              |                          |                              |                                      |
| Commonwealth Government . . . . . | 311 388                 | ..                           | 3 850                    | (d)1 890                     | (d)1 890                             |
| New South Wales . . . . .         | (e)472 761              | (f)133 000                   | 129 100                  | 100 000                      | 233 000                              |
| Victoria . . . . .                | 382 657                 | 11 100                       | 137 000                  | 85 000                       | 96 100                               |
| Queensland . . . . .              | (e)246 264              | 101 170                      | 117 784                  | 58 331                       | 159 501                              |
| South Australia . . . . .         | 56 830                  | 4 300                        | 59 000                   | 28 000                       | 32 300                               |
| Western Australia . . . . .       | (e)108 692              | 8 700                        | 74 233                   | 56 727                       | 65 427                               |
| Tasmania . . . . .                | 34 445                  | 9 113                        | 20 570                   | 9 750                        | 18 863                               |
| Total States . . . . .            | 1 301 649               | 267 383                      | 537 687                  | 337 808                      | 605 191                              |
| Grand total . . . . .             | 1 613 037               | 267 383                      | 541 537                  | 339 698                      | 607 081                              |

- (a) In 1978-79 'larger' authorities were those borrowing more than \$1 000 000; for 1979-80 they are those borrowing more than \$1 200 000. The aggregate of these borrowings in each State is subject to approval by the Loan Council.
- (b) In 1978-79 'smaller' authorities were those borrowing \$1 000 000 or less; for 1979-80 they are those borrowing \$1 200 000 or less. No aggregate limit is imposed by the Loan Council. (See footnote (a)).
- (c) The total of borrowings by local government authorities in both the 'larger' and 'smaller' authorities categories.
- (d) Borrowings by local government authorities in the Northern Territory.
- (e) Includes special temporary addition to the States' larger authorities borrowing program.
- (f) Includes borrowings by County Councils.
- (g) Amounts shown for borrowings by all 'larger' authorities are the programs approved at the June 1979 meeting of the Loan Council. Other amounts shown are tentative estimates made by the Commonwealth and State Treasuries.

#### COMMONWEALTH PAYMENTS MADE DIRECT TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES

There are no Commonwealth programs of direct payments to local government authorities designed for the specific purpose of providing financial assistance to these authorities.

There are, however, a number of programs under which local government authorities are among bodies that are eligible for, and have received, Commonwealth assistance paid direct to them. The programs concerned are summarized below. Wide variations between the States in the amounts paid under particular programs reflect, amongst other things, differences between the States in the

extent to which the activities concerned are carried out by local government authorities rather than by private organisations or by State Government departments or agencies.

### *Nursing Homes*

In 1974-75 the Commonwealth Government introduced a scheme under which religious, charitable and other non-profit organisations conducting nursing homes may receive assistance from the Commonwealth Government in meeting deficits incurred in running the homes. Local government authorities operating nursing homes on a non-profit basis are also eligible to participate in this scheme.

Local government authorities in three States—New South Wales, South Australia and Western Australia—are participating in the scheme. It is estimated that an amount of \$1 million will be provided to meet their nursing homes' operating deficits in 1979-80. Details of payments are set out in the following table:

**Table 63—Grants Direct to Local Government Authorities for Nursing Homes, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|                    | New South Wales | South Australia | Western Australia | Total |
|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------|-------|
| 1975-76.           | ..              | ..              | 121               | 121   |
| 1976-77.           | ..              | 99              | 185               | 284   |
| 1977-78.           | ..              | 318             | 169               | 486   |
| 1978-79.           | 90              | 381             | 178               | 649   |
| 1979-80 (estimate) | 500             | 330             | 170               | 1 000 |

### *Home Nursing*

Under the *Home Nursing Subsidy Act* 1956 organisations (other than profit-making bodies and bodies conducted or controlled by a State Government) conducting home nursing services are eligible for annual subsidies depending on the number of nurses employed on home nursing duties. The amount of Commonwealth Government assistance cannot exceed the amount received by the organisation from a State Government and/or a local government authority.

Local government authorities in New South Wales and Tasmania have received assistance under this scheme. The only local government authorities to participate since 1976-77, however, have been in New South Wales. The amounts of grants that have been paid to such authorities since 1975-76 and estimates for 1979-80 are shown in the following table:

**Table 64—Grants Direct to Local Government Authorities for Home Nursing, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|                    | New South Wales | Total |
|--------------------|-----------------|-------|
| 1975-76            | 163             | 163   |
| 1976-77            | 193             | 193   |
| 1977-78            | 223             | 223   |
| 1978-79            | 290             | 290   |
| 1979-80 (estimate) | 266             | 266   |



### *Aged or Disabled Persons Homes*

Under the *Aged or Disabled Persons Homes Act 1954*, local government authorities along with religious, charitable and certain other organisations, are eligible to receive assistance for the capital and operating costs associated with the provision of certain kinds of accommodation for the aged.

The rate of subsidy is \$2 for \$1 up to a maximum subsidy of \$12 100 for a single unit and \$14 035 for a double unit. The subsidies are reviewed periodically.

In 1969 the Act was amended to provide for the payment of personal care subsidies in respect of persons aged eighty years and over resident in accommodation provided by an approved organisation. The subsidy is presently \$15 a week. In 1973 the subsidy was extended to hostel residents aged less than eighty years who require, and are receiving, approved personal care. Only one local authority—in South Australia—is currently receiving this subsidy.

The greater part of the capital grants under this Act is paid to organisations other than local government authorities. In 1978–79 local government authorities received \$2.3 million out of total capital grants of \$24.7 million. For 1979–80 it is estimated that local government authorities will receive \$2.1 million out of total estimated payments under the Act of \$30.9 million.

The following table shows the grants that have been paid to local government authorities in each State since 1975–76 together with estimates for 1979–80:

**Table 65—Grants made Direct to Local Government Authorities for Expenditure on Aged Or Disabled Persons Homes, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|                    | New<br>South<br>Wales | Victoria | Queens-<br>land | South<br>Australia | Western<br>Australia | Tasmania | Total |
|--------------------|-----------------------|----------|-----------------|--------------------|----------------------|----------|-------|
| RECURRENT          |                       |          |                 |                    |                      |          |       |
| 1975-76.           | 12                    | 37       | ..              | ..                 | ..                   | ..       | 49    |
| 1976-77.           | ..                    | ..       | ..              | ..                 | ..                   | ..       | ..    |
| 1977-78.           | ..                    | ..       | ..              | 52                 | ..                   | ..       | 52    |
| 1978-79.           | 12                    | ..       | ..              | 34                 | ..                   | ..       | 46    |
| 1979-80 (estimate) | 6                     | ..       | ..              | ..                 | ..                   | ..       | 6     |
| CAPITAL            |                       |          |                 |                    |                      |          |       |
| 1975-76.           | 263                   | 1 105    | 78              | 1 054              | 369                  | 125      | 2 995 |
| 1976-77.           | 61                    | 621      | 44              | 1 712              | 31                   | 43       | 2 512 |
| 1977-78.           | 288                   | 368      | 188             | 258                | 229                  | 63       | 1 394 |
| 1978-79.           | 1 340                 | 248      | 91              | 82                 | 529                  | 3        | 2 292 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) | 682                   | 435      | 125             | ..                 | 868                  | ..       | 2 110 |
| TOTAL              |                       |          |                 |                    |                      |          |       |
| 1975-76.           | 275                   | 1 142    | 78              | 1 054              | 369                  | 125      | 3 044 |
| 1976-77.           | 61                    | 621      | 44              | 1 712              | 31                   | 43       | 2 512 |
| 1977-78.           | 288                   | 368      | 188             | 310                | 229                  | 63       | 1 445 |
| 1978-79.           | 1 352                 | 248      | 91              | 116                | 529                  | 3        | 2 338 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) | 688                   | 435      | 125             | ..                 | 868                  | ..       | 2 116 |

### *Aged Persons Hostels*

Under the *Aged Persons Hostels Act 1972*, local government authorities along with religious, charitable and other organisations are eligible to receive assistance for the capital costs associated with the provision of hostel accommodation for the aged.

Subject to certain conditions, the Commonwealth Government meets the cost of providing hostel accommodation provided by eligible organisations up to a current maximum of \$18 150 a person. The subsidies are reviewed periodically. The Government also pays an additional grant of up to \$2 400 a person for the purchase of land; a further \$250 a person is available for furnishings.

Local government authorities first received assistance under the Act in 1975-76. The following table shows grants paid to local government authorities since 1975-76. It is not expected that any payments to local government authorities will be made in 1979-80.

**Table 66—Grants made Direct to Local Government Authorities under the Aged Persons Hostels Act, 1975-76 to 1978-79 (\$ thousands)**

|          | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | Western Australia | Total |
|----------|-----------------|----------|------------|-------------------|-------|
| 1975-76. |                 | 311      | 345        | 2                 | 657   |
| 1976-77. | 3               | 1 402    | 83         | 2                 | 1 488 |
| 1977-78. | 124             | 1 771    | 69         | ..                | 1 963 |
| 1978-79. | 695             | 1 523    | ..         | ..                | 2 218 |

#### *Delivered Meals Subsidy*

Under the *Delivered Meals Subsidy Act 1979*, eligible organisations can receive assistance for the provision of what are known as 'meals on wheels' services. Since 1974 assistance has been at the rate of 30 cents for meals with an approved vitamin C supplement and 25 cents for meals without such a supplement.

The table below shows grants that have been paid to local government authorities under this scheme since 1975-76 and estimated grants in 1979-80. In 1978-79 total payments under the Act were \$2.3 million of which \$0.8 million was paid to local government authorities. For 1979-80 it is estimated that local government authorities will again receive \$0.8 million out of total estimated payments under the Act of \$2.5 million.

**Table 67—Grants made Direct to Local Government Authorities for Delivered Meals 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|                    | New South Wales | Victoria | Western Australia | Total |
|--------------------|-----------------|----------|-------------------|-------|
| 1975-76.           | 145             | 323      | 39                | 506   |
| 1976-77.           | 75              | 404      | 63                | 542   |
| 1977-78.           | 138             | 516      | 51                | 705   |
| 1978-79.           | 111             | 595      | 60                | 766   |
| 1979-80 (estimate) | 120             | 613      | 67                | 800   |

#### *Handicapped Persons Assistance*

Under the *Handicapped Persons Assistance Act 1974*, local government authorities and voluntary non-profit bodies are eligible to receive assistance for the accommodation, employment and training of disabled people. Capital grants are

provided on a \$4 for \$1 basis; assistance with rent is also on a \$4 for \$1 basis and assistance for staffing is generally on a \$1 for \$1 basis.

In addition, a training fee of \$500 is paid to eligible sheltered workshops for each former employee who, after completing more than six months sheltered employment, graduates to, and retains, normal employment for 12 months or more.

Details of payments for the years 1975-76 to 1978-79 and estimated payments for 1979-80 are shown in the table below:

**Table 68—Grants made Direct to Local Government Authorities for Handicapped Persons, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|                    | New South Wales | Victoria | Total |
|--------------------|-----------------|----------|-------|
| 1975-76.           | 42              | ..       | 42    |
| 1976-77.           | 34              | ..       | 34    |
| 1977-78.           | 28              | 137      | 165   |
| 1978-79.           | 22              | ..       | 22    |
| 1979-80 (estimate) | 30              | ..       | 30    |

#### *Pre-Schools and Child Care*

Under the Children's Services Program, grants are made direct to local government authorities and community organisations towards the cost of the establishment and operation of a range of care and associated services for children, including educational services for young children.

In 1978-79 grants paid directly to local government authorities under the Children's Services Program totalled \$7.1 million and payments in 1979-80 are estimated to be \$7.7 million.

Grants made direct to State local government authorities in the years 1975-76 to 1978-79 and estimated payments for 1979-80 are shown in the following table.

In addition to the amounts shown in the table, it is estimated that \$145 000 will be paid to local government authorities in the Northern Territory in 1979-80. The amount comprises \$100 000 for capital purposes and \$45 000 for recurrent expenses.

**Table 69—Grants made Direct to Local Government Authorities—Pre-Schools and Child Care, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|                        | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total |
|------------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|-------|
| RECURRENT              |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |       |
| 1975-76.               | 187             | 202      | 18         | ..              | 189               | 177      | 773   |
| 1976-77.               | 493             | 578      | 52         | 82              | 357               | 263      | 1 825 |
| 1977-78.               | 1 153           | 1 018    | 150        | 182             | 585               | 370      | 3 457 |
| 1978-79.               | 1 639           | 1 711    | 287        | 222             | 736               | 402      | 4 997 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) (a) | 1 425           | 1 600    | 275        | 225             | 825               | 375      | 4 725 |
| CAPITAL                |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |       |
| 1975-76.               | 1 458           | 2 194    | 472        | 580             | 436               | 455      | 5 595 |
| 1976-77.               | 1 103           | 1 548    | 316        | 822             | 337               | 314      | 4 440 |
| 1977-78.               | 386             | 1 193    | 1 161      | 104             | 108               | 455      | 3 407 |
| 1978-79.               | 553             | 665      | 175        | 498             | 180               | 70       | 2 141 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) (a) | 1 175           | 930      | 50         | 400             | 175               | 80       | 2 810 |
| TOTAL                  |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |       |
| 1975-76.               | 1 645           | 2 396    | 490        | 580             | 625               | 632      | 6 368 |
| 1976-77.               | 1 596           | 2 126    | 368        | 904             | 694               | 577      | 6 265 |
| 1977-78.               | 1 539           | 2 211    | 1 311      | 286             | 693               | 825      | 6 864 |
| 1978-79.               | 2 192           | 2 376    | 462        | 720             | 916               | 472      | 7 138 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) (a) | 2 600           | 2 530    | 325        | 625             | 1 000             | 455      | 7 535 |

(a) The State by State figures are notional and no commitment to the provision of these amounts is implied.

### *Community Youth Support Scheme*

The Commonwealth introduced the Community Youth Support Scheme in November 1976 to assist young unemployed persons.

The scheme provides financial assistance to community groups, including local government authorities, for supportive programs and services to unemployed youth. The aim of the scheme is to improve the employability of unemployed youth and maintain their orientation towards work.

Overall expenditure on the scheme in 1978-79 was \$10.7 million and is estimated to be \$10 million in 1979-80.

Grants amounting to \$0.8 million were made direct to local government authorities in 1978-79. A notional distribution of estimated payments to local government authorities in 1979-80 is included in the following table:

**Table 70—Grants made Direct to Local Government Authorities under the Community Youth Support Scheme, 1976-77 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|                    | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total |
|--------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|-------|
| 1976-77.           | 14              | 14       | ..         | 13              | 15                | 2        | 57    |
| 1977-78.           | 55              | 111      | 8          | 113             | 154               | 30       | 472   |
| 1978-79.           | 75              | 385      | ..         | 171             | 149               | 48       | 828   |
| 1979-80 (estimate) | 95              | 375      | ..         | 180             | 140               | 35       | 825   |

### *Homeless Persons Assistance*

Under the *Homeless Persons Assistance Act 1974*, capital grants are made to voluntary agencies, and local and statutory authorities, for approved projects to upgrade and replace existing inadequate accommodation and to build new facilities for homeless men and women. Assistance is also provided towards the cost of accommodation and meals and to meet half the salaries of welfare officers performing approved services for homeless persons.

Only one local authority, in Victoria, has received assistance up to 1978-79. It is expected that one local authority, in Western Australia, will receive assistance under this legislation in 1979-80. Total payments for both current and capital purposes since 1975-76 and estimated payments for 1979-80 are as follows:

**Table 71—Grants made Direct to Local Government Authorities for Homeless Persons Assistance, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|                    |     |
|--------------------|-----|
| 1975-76.           | 102 |
| 1976-77.           | 3   |
| 1977-78.           | 8   |
| 1978-79.           | 4   |
| 1979-80 (estimate) | 3   |

### *Arts*

Local government authorities are eligible to receive assistance for community arts activities under a program formerly administered by the Community Arts Committee of the Australia Council. The Committee was replaced by the Community Arts Board which was established in 1977-78 to assist local government, service and welfare organisations to include the arts in their programs, to raise the standards of their arts activities, and to expand them to cater for new sectors of the community. Grants made by the Australia Council for the period 1975-76 to 1978-79 to local government authorities are shown in the following table. As these grants depend on the consideration of applications made during the course of the year, the grants that might be paid to local authorities in 1979-80 cannot be estimated at this stage.

**Table 72—Grants made Direct to Local Government Authorities for Community Arts Activities, 1975-76 to 1978-79 (\$ thousands)**

|          | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total |
|----------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|-------|
| 1975-76. | 46              | 46       | ..         | 5               | 4                 | ..       | 101   |
| 1976-77. | 66              | 41       | 3          | 15              | ..                | 5        | 130   |
| 1977-78. | 40              | 69       | ..         | 3               | 3                 | ..       | 116   |
| 1978-79. | 29              | 45       | 8          | 8               | 3                 | ..       | 94    |

### *Aerodrome Local Ownership Plan*

Assistance is provided to local government authorities and to other bodies under the Aerodrome Local Ownership Plan to establish, develop and maintain local aerodromes on their own initiative and to take over aerodromes owned by the

Commonwealth. Funds are provided on a \$1 for \$1 basis by the Commonwealth for both developmental and maintenance works proposals which meet the relevant criteria. Where an authority takes over a Government owned aerodrome, the Commonwealth meets 100 per cent of the cost of any approved 'pre-transfer' works necessary to bring the aerodrome up to an acceptable standard. The following table shows the payments made to local authorities in each State under the Aerodrome Local Ownership Plan since 1975-76 and estimated payments in 1979-80:

**Table 73—Grants made Direct to Local Government Authorities for Aerodromes, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|                              | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total |
|------------------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|-------|
| RECURRENT                    |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |       |
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 361             | 97       | 236        | 39              | 105               | 15       | 854   |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 405             | 142      | 230        | 19              | 90                | 7        | 893   |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 645             | 173      | 336        | 22              | 76                | 10       | 1 262 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 890             | 280      | 413        | 122             | 130               | 27       | 1 861 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 784             | 287      | 430        | 226             | 186               | 25       | 1 938 |
| CAPITAL                      |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |       |
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 166             | 93       | 216        | 21              | 47                | 7        | 550   |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 234             | 102      | 148        | 24              | 65                | ..       | 574   |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 216             | 41       | 183        | 15              | 8                 | ..       | 463   |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 259             | 268      | 527        | 86              | 24                | ..       | 1 164 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 459             | 426      | 722        | 92              | 286               | 10       | 1 995 |
| TOTAL                        |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |       |
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 527             | 190      | 452        | 60              | 152               | 22       | 1 404 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 639             | 244      | 378        | 43              | 155               | 7        | 1 467 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 861             | 215      | 519        | 37              | 84                | 10       | 1 726 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 1 149           | 547      | 941        | 208             | 154               | 27       | 3 025 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 1 243           | 713      | 1 152      | 318             | 472               | 35       | 3 933 |

#### PAYMENTS TO STATES FOR ON-PASSING TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES

As explained above, the funds provided by the Commonwealth as general purpose assistance for local government take the form of payments to the State Governments for on-passing to individual local authorities. There are also other programs of payments to the States under which portions of the funds provided are passed on to local government authorities. However, it should be noted that the degree of influence exerted by the Commonwealth over the particular amounts paid to local authorities varies considerably among the different programs as does the availability of information relating to those amounts. In some cases the amounts passed on to local government authorities are wholly at the discretion of the State Governments.

Each of the programs concerned is summarized, in general terms, in Chapter IV. The purpose of this section is to outline the way in which local government is involved and to provide available details of the amounts passed on by the States at their own discretion, or at the request of the Commonwealth, to local government authorities. As with the programs of direct payments, differences between the States in the amounts of payments in this category made to local government

authorities reflect, in part, differences in the extent to which the functions concerned are undertaken by local government authorities rather than by State Government departments or agencies or private bodies.

*It is emphasised that the payments referred to in this Section are included in the totals of payments to the States shown in this paper.*

Because of the lag, in some cases, between payment of the funds concerned to the States and their allocation by the States, the amounts of funds paid to the States for local government authorities under a particular program in any year may not necessarily precisely equal the amounts paid to authorities in that year.

#### *Special Assistance to Exmouth Shire*

As mentioned in Chapter IV, the Western Australian Government sought financial assistance towards the operational cost of Exmouth Shire which was established with the main purpose of servicing the United States Naval Communications Station at North West Cape. Amounts totalling \$320 500 were paid to the Western Australian Government on \$1 for \$1 basis for on-passing to the Shire in 1975-76 and 1976-77 from the Department of Defence appropriations. This grant was additional to that provided to the Shire as a result of Commonwealth Grants Commission recommendations.

As an alternative to the continuing special financial assistance to the Shire, the Commonwealth has agreed to assume responsibility for specified loans amounting to \$715 125 and to repay the principal with interest over a three-year period on the basis that the Western Australian Government accepts that this action will represent a full discharge of Australian Defence interests in the operations of the Shire. Payments totalling \$466 876 were made in 1977-78 and 1978-79, and provision has been made for a final payment of \$352 000 in 1979-80.

#### *Home Care Services and Senior Citizens' Centres*

Grants for these purposes are provided under the *States Grants (Home Care) Act 1969*. Local government authorities are amongst the bodies eligible for assistance. Of the total grants of \$12.5 million paid to the States under this Act in 1978-79, \$7.2 million or about 58 per cent were for local government authorities. Assistance under the Act is not available to State Government departments or agencies.

Grants that have been provided since 1975-76 to each State Government for on-passing to local government authorities in respect of *home care services* together with estimates for 1979-80 are shown in the following table:

**Table 74—Home Care Services—Grants to States for On-passing to Local Government Authorities, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|                    | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total |
|--------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|-------|
| 1975-76            | ..              | 2 125    | ..         | 6               | 27                | ..       | 2 158 |
| 1976-77            | ..              | 2 018    | ..         | ..              | ..                | ..       | 2 018 |
| 1977-78            | ..              | 2 520    | ..         | ..              | ..                | ..       | 2 520 |
| 1978-79            | ..              | 3 450    | ..         | ..              | ..                | ..       | 3 450 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) | ..              | 3 700    | ..         | ..              | ..                | ..       | 3 700 |

The grants that have been provided since 1975-76 to each State for on-passing to local government authorities in respect of *senior citizens centres*, and estimates for 1979-80 are shown in the following table:

**Table 75—Senior Citizens' Centres—Grants to States for On-passing to Local Government Authorities, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|                    | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total |
|--------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|-------|
| RECURRENT          |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |       |
| 1975-76            | 263             | 175      | ..         | 7               | 18                | ..       | 463   |
| 1976-77            | 211             | 293      | 10         | 8               | 47                | ..       | 569   |
| 1977-78            | 224             | 328      | 9          | 30              | 45                | ..       | 637   |
| 1978-79            | 283             | 350      | 19         | 22              | 21                | ..       | 695   |
| 1979-80 (estimate) | 292             | 562      | 24         | 30              | 40                | ..       | 948   |
| CAPITAL            |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |       |
| 1975-76            | 941             | 1 132    | ..         | 567             | 304               | 2        | 2 946 |
| 1976-77            | 891             | 1 571    | 916        | 212             | 407               | ..       | 3 997 |
| 1977-78            | 1 064           | 1 616    | 439        | 342             | 348               | 136      | 3 946 |
| 1978-79            | 1 200           | 608      | 512        | 423             | 100               | 166      | 3 009 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) | 736             | 534      | 328        | 190             | 154               | 58       | 2 000 |
| TOTAL              |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |       |
| 1975-76            | 1 204           | 1 307    | ..         | 574             | 322               | 2        | 3 409 |
| 1976-77            | 1 102           | 1 864    | 926        | 220             | 454               | ..       | 4 566 |
| 1977-78            | 1 288           | 1 944    | 448        | 372             | 393               | 136      | 4 583 |
| 1978-79            | 1 483           | 958      | 531        | 445             | 121               | 166      | 3 704 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) | 1 028           | 1 096    | 352        | 220             | 194               | 58       | 2 948 |

### *Pre-Schools and Child Care*

Commonwealth Government assistance for services for children is outlined in Chapter IV and earlier in this Chapter in the section on 'Commonwealth Payments Made Direct to Local Government Authorities'. Briefly, the position is that, in addition to direct grants to local government and private bodies, grants are made to the States. Some of the grants to the States are for on-passing to local government authorities.



The following table shows payments made in the years 1975-76 to 1978-79 and estimated payments in 1979-80:

**Table 76—Pre-Schools and Child Care—Grants to States for On-passing to Local Government Authorities, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|                              | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total |
|------------------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|-------|
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 1 651           | 5 468    | ..         | ..              | 185               | 40       | 7 344 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 1 900           | 5 600    | ..         | ..              | 167               | 10       | 7 677 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 1 695           | 6 040    | ..         | ..              | 190               | 10       | 7 935 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 260             | 1 100    | 25         | 91              | 134               | 37       | 1 647 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 948             | 1 210    | 71         | 98              | 157               | 45       | 2 529 |

*Urban Flood Mitigation*

Amounts of \$2 060 208, \$1 574 271, \$992 041 and \$818 000 provided to Queensland in 1975-76, 1976-77, 1977-78 and 1978-79 respectively to assist with the construction of certain flood mitigation works on various creeks in the Brisbane metropolitan area were passed on to the Brisbane City Council.

An amount of \$100 000 was paid to Victoria in each of the years 1975-76 and 1976-77 for flood mitigation works at Seymour.

An amount of \$62 000 will be provided in 1979-80 as the Commonwealth's final contribution for flood mitigation works, which were completed in 1978-79, on the Breakfast and Enoggera Creeks in Brisbane. Additional funds for urban flood mitigation could be provided in 1979-80 when the as yet unallocated amount of \$18.8 million of the \$25 million provided in 1979-80 under the National Water Resources Program is finally allocated.

*Urban Water Supply*

Grants of \$325 000 and \$500 000, in 1977-78 and 1978-79 respectively, were made to Queensland for on-passing to the Mount Isa City Council as assistance towards the Council's share of the debt burden associated with the now-completed Julius Dam. A final grant of \$250 000 is to be provided for this purpose in 1979-80.

*Capital Assistance for Leisure Facilities*

Payments to the States under this program (see Chapter IV) have included payments passed on to local government authorities in respect of community leisure facilities sponsored by these authorities. Of the total grants of \$371 000 expected to be paid to the States in 1979-80, \$114 000 will be passed on to local government authorities. The following table provides details of payments since 1975-76 with estimates for 1979-80:

**Table 77—Capital Assistance for Leisure Facilities—Grants to States for On-passing to Local Government Authorities, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|                              | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total |
|------------------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|-------|
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 1 656           | 1 597    | 676        | 694             | 482               | 408      | 5 513 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 1 771           | 1 119    | 478        | 922             | 726               | 550      | 5 566 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 552             | 507      | 93         | 86              | 274               | 155      | 1 667 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 250             | 92       | 45         | ..              | ..                | 45       | 432   |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 110             | ..       | ..         | ..              | ..                | 4        | 114   |

## National Estate

National Estate projects supported from funds provided to the States under the *Urban and Regional Development (Financial Assistance) Act 1974* have included many projects undertaken by local government authorities. Assistance provided to the States from the 1978-79 National Estate program for projects undertaken by local government authorities was \$506 000 out of a total expenditure under this program of \$2.49 million. It is estimated that \$1.8 million will be made available to the States in 1979-80 for this program, and provision will be made from within this amount for projects undertaken by local government authorities in 1979-80. No details of the amounts that local government authorities will receive from the States in 1979-80 are available at this stage. The following table shows amounts passed on by States to local government authorities in the years 1975-76 to 1978-79:

**Table 78—National Estate—Grants to States passed on by the States to Local Government Authorities, 1975-76 to 1978-79 (\$ thousands)**

|            | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total |
|------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|-------|
| 1975-76(a) | 240             | 232      | 168        | 48              | 178               | 111      | 977   |
| 1976-77(a) | ..              | 193      | 91         | 24              | 149               | 1        | 458   |
| 1977-78.   | 87              | 88       | 90         | 16              | 110               | 19       | 410   |
| 1978-79.   | 91              | 173      | 72         | 34              | 170               | 14       | 553   |

(a) For years 1975-76 and 1976-77 the figures relate to assistance provided to the States.

## Roads

The Commonwealth provides grants to the States for expenditure on the construction and maintenance of roads, including roads which are the responsibility of local government authorities. Although the relevant Commonwealth legislation does not determine any particular amount which the States must provide to local government, in each State amounts determined by the State are passed on to the local government authorities for expenditure on roads which are the responsibility of those authorities.

The following table shows assistance to local authorities from Commonwealth grants from 1975-76 to 1978-79; estimates for 1979-80 are not available at this stage.

**Table 79—Roads Assistance—Assistance to Local Government Authorities by the States, 1975-76 to 1978-79 (\$ thousands)**

|          | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total   |
|----------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|---------|
| 1975-76. | 20 480          | 22 300   | 9 932      | 3 745           | 15 820            | 3 007    | 75 284  |
| 1976-77. | 20 436          | 29 500   | 11 794     | 3 948           | 17 924            | 3 418    | 87 020  |
| 1977-78. | 32 722          | 38 000   | 14 746     | 5 971           | 20 559            | 4 956    | 116 954 |
| 1978-79. | 35 506          | 39 800   | 15 204     | 6 353           | 22 015            | 5 310    | 124 187 |

## Urban Public Transport

Amounts passed on to local government authorities under this program were \$138 667 in 1974-75, \$614 912 in 1975-76, \$523 586 in 1976-77 and \$2 066 343 in 1977-78 out of payments to the Queensland Government. These

amounts were passed on to the Brisbane City Council for the acquisition of buses. A further \$63 213 was made available in 1978-79 for unpaid commitments incurred on the bus acquisition project.

#### PAYMENTS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES IN THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

Before the Northern Territory became self-governing on 1 July 1978, two local government authorities had been established under the Northern Territory Local Government Ordinance—the Corporation of the City of Darwin in 1957 and the Corporation of the Municipality of Alice Springs in 1971. The relationship between the Commonwealth Government and these authorities changed on 1 January 1977 when executive responsibility for the Corporations was transferred to the Northern Territory Legislative Assembly. While the assistance given to these two authorities was of a quite different character from other forms of assistance referred to earlier in this Chapter, it can be regarded as the equivalent of assistance received by other local government authorities from State Governments.

Initial establishment grants had been provided to both Corporations and continuing operational subsidies were provided to the Corporations to meet the difference between income from ratepayers and the cost of providing municipal services at what were regarded as reasonable standards. These subsidies were subject to quinquennial review.

Capital assistance was also provided to the two Corporations in the form of matched and unmatched grants for capital works generally.

Additional financial assistance was given to the Corporation of the City of Darwin in 1974-75 to meet the cost of the emergency services provided by the Corporation following Cyclone Tracy. The two Corporations also received assistance under various specific programs from time to time.

The Northern Territory itself has established two further local government authorities, the Corporation of the Municipality of Katherine and the Corporation of the Municipality of Tennant Creek.

Payments made in the period 1975-76 to 1977-78 are shown in the summary table below.

In 1978-79, the first year of self-government in the Northern Territory, the bulk of Commonwealth assistance to the Territory was provided as a global allocation. Included in this was an allowance for local authorities, but there was no requirement that the Northern Territory Government pass on specified amounts to local authorities.

Under the Memorandum of Understanding between the Commonwealth and Northern Territory, the Northern Territory is entitled, as from 1979-80, to a share of net personal income tax collections for on-passing to its local government authorities.

The entitlement for 1979-80 is \$1 061 733. The entitlement is the equivalent in per capita terms for population under local government of the analogous payment to the States in 1979-80. Assistance for future years will be determined by increasing the preceding year's entitlement in proportion to net personal income tax collections lagged by one year and adjusted for any changes in the percentage of personal income tax payable to local authorities in the States.

SUMMARY OF VARIOUS FORMS OF COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENT PAYMENTS  
TO OR FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES

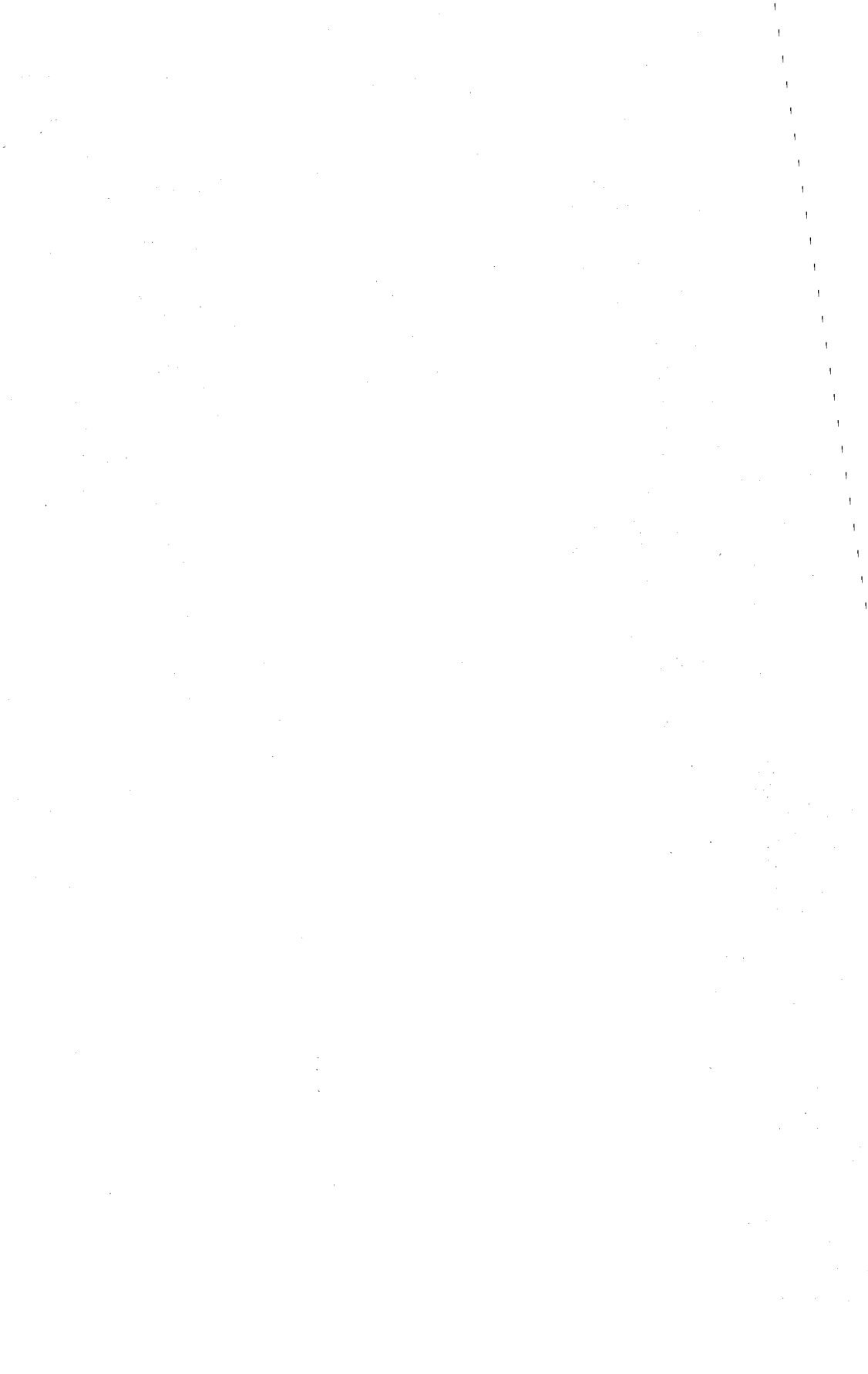
The following table gives a summary of the various forms of the Commonwealth Government payments made to or for local government authorities between 1975-76 and 1978-79 together with estimates for 1979-80. The amounts shown in this table need to be interpreted very carefully, in the light of the comments provided in the foregoing text.

**Table 80—Summary of Commonwealth Government Payments to or for Local Government Authorities, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

| Program   | 1975-76        | 1976-77        | 1977-78        | 1978-79        | 1979-80<br>(estimate) |
|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------------|
| General Purpose Assistance for Local Government(a)  | 79 908         | 140 000        | 165 328        | 179 427        | 221 739               |
| Direct Payments—                                    |                |                |                |                |                       |
| Nursing Homes . . . . .                             | 121            | 284            | 486            | 649            | 1 000                 |
| Home Nursing . . . . .                              | 163            | 193            | 223            | 290            | 266                   |
| Aged or Disabled Persons Homes . . . . .            | 3 044          | 2 512          | 1 445          | 2 338          | 2 116                 |
| Aged Persons Hostels . . . . .                      | 657            | 1 488          | 1 963          | 2 218          | ..                    |
| Delivered Meals Subsidy . . . . .                   | 506            | 542            | 705            | 766            | 800                   |
| Handicapped Persons Assistance . . . . .            | 42             | 34             | 165            | 22             | 30                    |
| Pre-Schools and Child Care . . . . .                | 6 368          | 6 265          | 6 864          | 7 138          | 7 535                 |
| Regional Employment Development Scheme . . . . .    | 93 994         | 435            | ..             | ..             | ..                    |
| Community Youth Support Scheme . . . . .            | ..             | 57             | 472            | 828            | 825                   |
| Homeless Persons Assistance . . . . .               | 102            | 3              | 8              | 4              | 3                     |
| Arts . . . . .                                      | 101            | 130            | 116            | 94             | ..                    |
| Aerodrome Local Ownership Plan . . . . .            | 1 404          | 1 467          | 1 726          | 3 025          | 3 933                 |
| <b>Total . . . . .</b>                              | <b>106 502</b> | <b>13 411</b>  | <b>14 173</b>  | <b>17 372</b>  | <b>16 508</b>         |
| Other Payments through States—                      |                |                |                |                |                       |
| Assistance for Exmouth Shire . . . . .              | 150            | 171            | 112            | 354            | 352                   |
| Home Care Services . . . . .                        | 2 158          | 2 018          | 2 520          | 3 450          | 3 700                 |
| Senior Citizens Centres . . . . .                   | 3 409          | 4 566          | 4 583          | 3 704          | 2 948                 |
| Pre-Schools and Child Care . . . . .                | 7 344          | 7 677          | 7 935          | 1 647          | 2 529                 |
| Employment Grants . . . . .                         | 14 889         | ..             | ..             | ..             | ..                    |
| Growth Centres . . . . .                            | 3 657          | 2 618          | ..             | ..             | ..                    |
| Area Improvement Program . . . . .                  | 14 996         | 498            | ..             | ..             | ..                    |
| Urban Flood Mitigation . . . . .                    | 2 160          | 1 674          | 992            | 818            | 62                    |
| Urban Water Supply . . . . .                        | ..             | ..             | 325            | 500            | 250                   |
| National Sewerage Program . . . . .                 | 25 150         | 8 800          | ..             | ..             | ..                    |
| Community Facilities, Townsville . . . . .          | ..             | 25             | ..             | ..             | ..                    |
| Capital Assistance for Leisure Facilities . . . . . | 5 513          | 5 566          | 1 667          | 432            | 114                   |
| National Estate . . . . .                           | 977            | 458            | 410            | 553            | n.a.                  |
| Roads . . . . .                                     | 75 284         | 87 020         | 116 954        | 124 187        | n.a.                  |
| Urban Public Transport . . . . .                    | 615            | 524            | 2 066          | 63             | ..                    |
| Tourism Development . . . . .                       | 599            | 91             | ..             | ..             | ..                    |
| Regional Organisations Assistance Program . . . . . | 138            | ..             | ..             | ..             | ..                    |
| <b>Total (excluding Roads) . . . . .</b>            | <b>81 755</b>  | <b>34 686</b>  | <b>20 610</b>  | <b>11 521</b>  | <b>n.a.</b>           |
| <b>Total (including Roads) . . . . .</b>            | <b>157 039</b> | <b>121 706</b> | <b>137 564</b> | <b>135 708</b> | <b>n.a.</b>           |
| Australian Assistance Plan . . . . .                | 286            | ..             | ..             | ..             | ..                    |
| Northern Territory—                                 |                |                |                |                |                       |
| Operating Subsidies and Capital Grants . . . . .    | 1 746          | 1 958          | 2 562          | (b)            | ..                    |
| Local Government Tax Sharing Entitlement . . . . .  | ..             | ..             | ..             | ..             | 1 062                 |
| Direct Payment—Pre-Schools and Child Care . . . . . | ..             | ..             | ..             | ..             | 145                   |
| <b>Grand Total (excluding Roads) . . . . .</b>      | <b>270 197</b> | <b>190 055</b> | <b>202 674</b> | <b>208 320</b> | <b>n.a.</b>           |
| <b>Grand Total (including Roads) . . . . .</b>      | <b>345 481</b> | <b>277 075</b> | <b>319 627</b> | <b>332 507</b> | <b>n.a.</b>           |

(a) General purpose assistance to local government is paid, in the first instance, to the States but is shown as a separate category in this table because of its importance.

(b) The global allocation to the Northern Territory (see Chapter V), included an allowance for local authorities but there was no requirement that the Northern Territory Government pass on specified amounts to local authorities.



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**Table 81—Commonwealth Government Payments to the States and Loan Council Borrowings, 1977-78 (\$ thousands)**

|   | New South Wales  | Victoria       | Queensland     | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania       | Total            |
|---|------------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------------|------------------|
| <b>GENERAL REVENUE FUNDS</b>                        |                  |                |                |                 |                   |                |                  |
| Personal Income Tax Sharing                         | 1 327 143        | 985 667        | 777 608        | 508 506         | 523 176           | 214 150        | 4 336 250        |
| Entitlements  | ..               | ..             | ..             | ..              | ..                | ..             | ..               |
| Adjustments for Previous Year                       | -7 534           | -976           | -7 069         | -745            | -3 285            | ..             | -19 609          |
| Special Grants                                      | ..               | ..             | 24 800         | ..              | ..                | ..             | 24 800           |
| <b>Total General Revenue Funds</b>                  | <b>1 319 609</b> | <b>984 690</b> | <b>795 339</b> | <b>507 761</b>  | <b>519 891</b>    | <b>214 150</b> | <b>4 341 441</b> |
| <b>GENERAL PURPOSE CAPITAL FUNDS</b>                |                  |                |                |                 |                   |                |                  |
| Loan Council Borrowings                             | 308 978          | 240 142        | 126 740        | 124 569         | 88 446            | 66 992         | 955 867          |
| Capital Grants                                      | 154 489          | 120 071        | 63 370         | 62 284          | 44 220            | 33 496         | 477 930          |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>463 467</b>   | <b>360 213</b> | <b>190 110</b> | <b>186 853</b>  | <b>132 666</b>    | <b>100 488</b> | <b>1 433 797</b> |
| <b>SPECIFIC PURPOSE PAYMENTS—RECURRENT PURPOSES</b> |                  |                |                |                 |                   |                |                  |
| Payments under Financial Agreement—                 |                  |                |                |                 |                   |                |                  |
| Interest on State Debt                              | 5 835            | 4 254          | 2 192          | 1 408           | 947               | 534            | 15 170           |
| Sinking Fund on State Debt                          | 11 168           | 8 540          | 4 447          | 4 191           | 3 175             | 2 225          | 33 747           |
| State Emergency Services                            | 455              | 303            | 379            | ..              | 50                | 63             | 1 250            |
| Assistance for Eyemouth Shire                       | ..               | ..             | ..             | ..              | 112               | ..             | 112              |
| Universities  | 222 893          | 152 808        | 78 127         | 56 872          | 46 532            | 17 234         | 574 465          |
| Colleges of Advanced Education                      | 98 303           | 141 522        | 56 616         | 41 724          | 48 080            | 9 256          | 395 501          |
| Technical and Further Education                     | 19 184           | 11 163         | 4 885          | 4 737           | 4 521             | 1 110          | 45 600           |
| Schools   | 171 540          | 138 250        | 59 853         | 38 566          | 35 293            | 12 120         | 455 622          |
| Child Migrant and Refugee Education                 | 165              | 41             | 15             | 16              | 41                | ..             | 278              |
| Educational Research                                | 184              | 240            | 166            | 135             | 75                | 9              | 809              |
| Public Hospitals—Running Costs                      | 346 438          | 228 557        | 126 960        | 101 659         | 110 449           | 31 621         | 945 682          |
| Community Health Program                            | 27 118           | 14 239         | 5 190          | 3 655           | 4 366             | 2 306          | 56 874           |
| Tuberculosis Control                                | 1 626            | ..             | 667            | 39              | ..                | ..             | 2 332            |
| School Dental Scheme                                | 2 911            | 2 121          | 2 027          | 3 686           | 3 018             | 1 684          | 15 447           |
| Health Education Campaigns                          | 225              | 162            | 138            | 75              | 92                | 52             | 742              |
| Blood Transfusion Services                          | 1 495            | 1 376          | 736            | 606             | 588               | 124            | 4 924            |
| Health Planning Agencies                            | 166              | 24             | 100            | 100             | 135               | 35             | 560              |
| Home Dialysis Scheme                                | ..               | 3              | ..             | ..              | ..                | ..             | 3                |
| Austrian Encephalitis Control                       | 6                | 43             | ..             | 9               | ..                | ..             | 58               |
| Home Care Services                                  | 1 933            | 2 520          | 2 744          | 1 411           | 56                | 474            | 9 138            |
| Senior Citizens Centres                             | 226              | 328            | 45             | 66              | 56                | ..             | 721              |
| Paramedical Services                                | ..               | 283            | ..             | 284             | ..                | 15             | 582              |
| Assistance for Deserted Wives                       | 6 376            | 4 003          | 3 888          | 3 203           | 1 848             | 764            | 20 083           |
| Pre-Schools and Child Care                          | 9 815            | 14 001         | 7 267          | 6 184           | 5 662             | 2 071          | 45 000           |
| 1972-74 Employment Grants—Refunds                   | -408             | ..             | ..             | ..              | ..                | ..             | -408             |
| Maryborough Employment Grants                       | ..               | ..             | 3 000          | ..              | ..                | ..             | 3 000            |
| Community Welfare Relief                            | ..               | 50             | ..             | ..              | ..                | ..             | 50               |
| Aboriginal Advancement                              | 3 014            | 1 409          | 3 480          | 3 045           | 8 564             | 67             | 19 580           |
| Housing   | 1 848            | 1 347          | 480            | 941             | 627               | 314            | 5 557            |
| Sewerage  | ..               | 100            | 2              | 63              | 76                | ..             | 241              |
| Leisure and Recreation/Culture                      | 45               | 42             | 34             | 32              | 30                | 24             | 207              |
| Nature Conservation                                 | ..               | ..             | 200            | ..              | ..                | 82             | 282              |
| Tasman Bridge Disaster                              | ..               | ..             | ..             | ..              | ..                | 730            | 730              |
| Water Hyacinth Control                              | 50               | ..             | ..             | ..              | ..                | ..             | 50               |
| Apple Export Assistance                             | ..               | 16             | ..             | ..              | ..                | 39             | 55               |
| Bovine Brucellosis and T.B. Eradication             | 4 535            | 5 858          | 4 180          | 1 201           | 854               | 120            | 16 749           |
| Agricultural Extension Services                     | 2 592            | 2 341          | 2 112          | 1 077           | 1 094             | 564            | 9 780            |
| Minor Agricultural Research                         | 82               | 22             | 5              | 16              | ..                | ..             | 125              |
| Trawl and Danish Seine Fishery                      | 21               | ..             | ..             | ..              | ..                | ..             | 21               |
| Warehouse Beetle Eradication                        | 156              | ..             | ..             | ..              | ..                | ..             | 156              |
| Coal Mining Industry—Long Service Leave             | 4 759            | ..             | 730            | ..              | 268               | 27             | 5 784            |
| Apprenticeship Training                             | 2 099            | 2 123          | 971            | 345             | 943               | 209            | 6 689            |
| Education Program for Unemployed Youth              | 376              | 272            | 437            | 173             | 52                | 156            | 1 466            |
| Legal Aid   | ..               | 80             | ..             | ..              | ..                | ..             | 80               |
| Family Courts                                       | ..               | ..             | ..             | ..              | 1 065             | ..             | 1 065            |
| Road Safety Practices                               | 37               | 30             | 28             | 19              | 25                | 11             | 150              |
| Research Grants                                     | 3 867            | 2 470          | 1 080          | 1 886           | 687               | 165            | 10 155           |
| Local Government Tax Sharing Assistance             | 60 341           | 42 078         | 27 875         | 14 220          | 15 524            | 5 290          | 165 325          |
| Natural Disaster Relief                             | 1 237            | 99             | 231            | 218             | 526               | ..             | 2 311            |
| <b>Total Specific Purpose Payments—Recurrent</b>    | <b>1 012 713</b> | <b>783 117</b> | <b>401 288</b> | <b>291 861</b>  | <b>295 430</b>    | <b>89 495</b>  | <b>2 873 903</b> |

Table 81—Commonwealth Government Payments to the States and Loan Council Borrowings 1977-78 (\$ thousands)—continued

|  | New South Wales | Victoria  | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total      |
|--|-----------------|-----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|------------|
| SPECIFIC PURPOSE PAYMENTS—CAPITAL PURPOSES |                 |           |            |                 |                   |          |            |
| Housing for Servicemen                     | 7 947           | 753       | 12 500     | 1 317           | 2                 |          | 22 519     |
| Universities                               | 17 909          | 11 842    | 7 335      | 6 634           | 7 664             | 1 008    | 52 392     |
| Colleges of Advanced Education             | 11 886          | 18 968    | 7 899      | 8 457           | 5 198             | 1 598    | 54 006     |
| Technical and Further Education            | 15 162          | 12 728    | 8 735      | 4 837           | 2 993             | 1 970    | 46 425     |
| Schools                                    | 57 952          | 51 273    | 34 263     | 17 069          | 16 713            | 6 187    | 183 457    |
| Hospitals—Capital Development              | 15 810          | 11 800    | 7 130      | 5 120           | 4 680             |          | 44 540     |
| Launceston General Hospital                |                 |           |            |                 |                   | 3 350    | 3 350      |
| Community Health Program                   | 3 319           | 3 430     | 1 770      | 630             | 964               | 297      | 10 411     |
| School Dental Scheme                       | 1 069           | 1 740     | 2 841      | 1 658           | 831               | 127      | 8 265      |
| Blood Transfusion Services                 | 102             | 513       | 37         | 32              | 43                | 3        | 730        |
| Disposal of Ships' Garbage                 |                 |           |            |                 | 2                 |          | 2          |
| High Security Quarantine Unit              |                 | 200       |            |                 |                   |          | 200        |
| Senior Citizens Centres                    | 1 064           | 1 616     | 439        | 342             | 348               | 136      | 3 946      |
| Pre-Schools and Child Care                 | 3 678           | 4 202     |            | 31              | 89                |          | 8 000      |
| Rehabilitation Centre—Hobart               |                 |           |            |                 |                   | 922      | 922        |
| Aboriginal Advancement                     | 2 654           | 400       | 2 825      | 1 807           | 4 614             | 175      | 12 474     |
| Housing                                    | 128 011         | 101 759   | 39 810     | 58 460          | 36 740            | 25 220   | 390 000    |
| Pensioner Housing                          | 4 070           | 2 530     | 1 490      | 930             | 700               | 280      | 10 000     |
| Growth Centres                             | 15 342          | 9 140     |            | 1 088           |                   | 70       | 25 640     |
| Urban Flood Mitigation                     |                 |           | 992        |                 |                   |          | 992        |
| Land Acquisition                           | 4 287           | 5 340     |            | 11 507          | 5 026             | 100      | 26 260     |
| Woolloomooloo Redevelopment                | 213             |           |            |                 |                   |          | 213        |
| Air Quality Monitoring                     |                 |           | 40         |                 |                   | 40       | 80         |
| Leisure and Recreation/Culture             | 570             | 450       | 202        | 1 910           | 97                |          | 3 229      |
| Nature Conservation                        |                 |           |            |                 |                   | 70       | 70         |
| National Estate                            | 373             | 370       | 310        | 338             | 425               | 425      | 2 241      |
| Roads                                      | 155 611         | 98 900    | 100 000    | 40 400          | 61 301            | 21 700   | 477 912    |
| Second Hobart Bridge Study                 |                 |           |            |                 |                   | 518      | 518        |
| Railway Projects                           |                 |           |            |                 | 34                |          | 34         |
| Urban Public Transport                     | 20 395          | 9 830     | 15 648     | 3 790           | 605               | 732      | 51 000     |
| Newcastle Drydock                          | 305             |           |            |                 |                   |          | 305        |
| Transport Planning and Research            | 3 495           | 2 411     | 1 381      | 698             | 744               | 195      | 8 924      |
| Tasman Bridge Disaster                     |                 |           |            |                 |                   | 5 870    | 5 870      |
| Urban Water Supply                         |                 |           |            | 6 000           |                   |          | 6 000      |
| Gladstone Power Station                    |                 |           | 191        |                 |                   |          | 191        |
| Julius Dam                                 |                 |           | 325        |                 |                   |          | 325        |
| Namoi River Weirs                          | 1 000           |           |            |                 |                   |          | 1 000      |
| Bundaberg Irrigation Works                 |                 |           | 1 500      |                 |                   |          | 1 500      |
| Ord River Project                          |                 |           |            |                 | 20                |          | 20         |
| Tailem Bend to Keith Pipeline              |                 |           |            | 17              |                   |          | 17         |
| Water Resources Assessment                 | 1 630           | 1 136     | 952        | 727             | 2 000             | 215      | 6 660      |
| Flood Mitigation                           | 1 000           |           | 236        |                 |                   |          | 1 236      |
| Softwood Forestry                          | 374             | 73        |            | —87             |                   |          | 360        |
| Dairy Adjustment Program                   |                 | 604       | 43         |                 | 275               | 94       | 1 015      |
| Rural Adjustment Scheme                    | 7 660           | 11 522    | 9 480      | 6 985           | 4 473             | 123      | 40 243     |
| Beef Industry Assistance                   |                 |           | 33         |                 |                   |          | 33         |
| Rural Reconstruction                       | 2 190           | 24        | 31         | 400             | 252               | 36       | 2 932      |
| Fruitgrowing Industry                      |                 | 223       | 44         | 65              | 237               | 110      | 679        |
| Assistance for Mount Lyell Mining          |                 |           |            |                 |                   | 3 383    | 3 383      |
| Soil Conservation                          |                 |           | 30         | 30              |                   | 35       | 95         |
| Natural Disaster Relief                    | 8 430           | 1 813     | 14 842     | 12 132          | 17 972            |          | 55 189     |
| Total Specific Purpose Payments—Capital    | 492 898         | 365 590   | 273 354    | 193 322         | 175 044           | 74 988   | 1 575 195  |
| TOTAL PAYMENTS                             |                 |           |            |                 |                   |          |            |
|  | 2 979 709       | 2 253 468 | 1 533 351  | 1 055 228       | 1 034 584         | 412 129  | 9 268 47   |
| TOTAL PAYMENTS AND LOAN COUNCIL BORROWINGS |                 |           |            |                 |                   |          |            |
| General Purpose                            | 1 783 076       | 1 344 903 | 985 449    | 694 614         | 652 557           | 314 638  | 5 775 238  |
| Specific Purpose                           | 1 505 611       | 1 148 707 | 674 642    | 485 183         | 470 473           | 164 483  | 4 449 099  |
| TOTAL                                      | 3 288 687       | 2 493 610 | 1 660 091  | 1 179 797       | 1 123 030         | 479 121  | 10 224 337 |



**Table 82—Commonwealth Government Payments to the States and Loan Council Borrowings, 1978-79 (\$ thousands)**

|   | New South Wales  | Victoria         | Queensland     | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania       | Total            |
|---|------------------|------------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------------|------------------|
| <b>GENERAL REVENUE FUNDS</b>                        |                  |                  |                |                 |                   |                |                  |
| Personal Income Tax Sharing Entitlements            | 1 464 397        | 1 090 025        | 844 137        | 559 841         | 579 532           | 240 737        | 4 778 669        |
| Special Grants                                      | ..               | ..               | 21 700         | ..              | ..                | ..             | 21 700           |
| <b>Total General Revenue Funds</b>                  | <b>1 464 397</b> | <b>1 090 025</b> | <b>865 837</b> | <b>559 841</b>  | <b>579 532</b>    | <b>240 737</b> | <b>4 800 369</b> |
| <b>GENERAL PURPOSE CAPITAL FUNDS</b>                |                  |                  |                |                 |                   |                |                  |
| Loan Council Borrowings                             | 308 978          | 240 142          | 126 740        | 124 569         | 88 446            | 66 992         | 955 867          |
| Capital Grants                                      | 154 489          | 120 071          | 63 370         | 62 284          | 44 226            | 33 496         | 477 936          |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>463 467</b>   | <b>360 213</b>   | <b>190 110</b> | <b>186 853</b>  | <b>132 672</b>    | <b>100 488</b> | <b>1 433 803</b> |
| <b>SPECIFIC PURPOSE PAYMENTS—RECURRENT PURPOSES</b> |                  |                  |                |                 |                   |                |                  |
| Payments under Financial Agreement—                 |                  |                  |                |                 |                   |                |                  |
| Interest on State Debt                              | 5 835            | 4 254            | 2 192          | 1 408           | 947               | 534            | 15 170           |
| Sinking Fund on State Debt                          | 11 876           | 9 098            | 4 740          | 4 483           | 3 377             | 2 386          | 35 959           |
| State Emergency Services                            | 472              | 370              | 373            | 15              | 77                | 83             | 1 390            |
| Assistance for Exmouth Shire                        | ..               | ..               | ..             | ..              | 354               | ..             | 354              |
| Universities  | 230 197          | 158 860          | 80 980         | 57 917          | 48 318            | 18 315         | 594 587          |
| Colleges of Advanced Education                      | 105 103          | 146 456          | 60 465         | 42 477          | 49 560            | 9 436          | 413 497          |
| Technical and Further Education                     | 21 061           | 13 509           | 5 222          | 5 116           | 5 160             | 1 673          | 51 741           |
| Schools   | 180 739          | 152 062          | 66 818         | 39 746          | 38 741            | 13 290         | 491 395          |
| Child Migrant and Refugee Education                 | 727              | 521              | 172            | 180             | 140               | ..             | 1 740            |
| Educational Research                                | 159              | 302              | 131            | 124             | 74                | 11             | 801              |
| Public Hospitals—Running Costs                      | 383 785          | 252 575          | 139 314        | 104 287         | 117 017           | 33 176         | 1 030 155        |
| Community Health Program                            | 17 203           | 10 528           | 4 979          | 3 205           | 3 748             | 1 868          | 41 532           |
| School Dental Scheme                                | 2 374            | 2 389            | 2 383          | 2 814           | 2 700             | 1 226          | 13 885           |
| Health Education Campaigns                          | 280              | 206              | 100            | 107             | 121               | 59             | 873              |
| Blood Transfusion Services                          | 1 769            | 1 823            | 777            | 764             | 601               | 120            | 5 853            |
| Health Planning Agencies                            | 100              | 33               | 87             | 90              | 100               | 30             | 440              |
| Australian Encephalitis Control                     | 3                | 31               | ..             | 14              | 20                | ..             | 68               |
| Home Care Services                                  | 1 875            | 3 450            | 1 797          | 915             | 44                | 505            | 8 586            |
| Senior Citizens Centres                             | 300              | 350              | 42             | 65              | 65                | ..             | 822              |
| Paramedical Services                                | ..               | 380              | ..             | 431             | ..                | 24             | 836              |
| Assistance for Deserted Wives                       | 9 521            | 4 917            | 3 665          | 3 143           | 3 841             | 986            | 26 075           |
| Pre-Schools and Child Care                          | 9 591            | 11 492           | 6 972          | 5 588           | 5 643             | 1 658          | 40 944           |
| Maryborough Employment Grants                       | ..               | ..               | 3 000          | ..              | ..                | ..             | 3 000            |
| Aboriginal Advancement                              | 2 982            | 1 331            | 3 917          | 3 404           | 8 579             | 44             | 20 257           |
| Housing   | 1 848            | 1 347            | 423            | 941             | 627               | 314            | 5 500            |
| Leisure and Recreation/Culture                      | 45               | 42               | 34             | 32              | 30                | 24             | 207              |
| Nature Conservation                                 | ..               | ..               | ..             | ..              | ..                | 75             | 75               |
| Apple Export Assistance                             | ..               | 27               | ..             | ..              | 310               | 238            | 575              |
| Bovine Brucellosis and T.B. Eradication             | 7 422            | 6 980            | 5 272          | 2 346           | 895               | 103            | 23 018           |
| Exotic Diseases Eradication                         | 1                | ..               | 134            | ..              | 39                | ..             | 175              |
| Plant Pest Control                                  | ..               | ..               | ..             | 307             | ..                | ..             | 307              |
| Agricultural Extension Services                     | 2 597            | 2 307            | 2 112          | 1 076           | 1 090             | 564            | 9 746            |
| Minor Agricultural Research                         | 80               | 50               | 17             | 4               | 7                 | ..             | 158              |
| Trawl and Danish Seine Fishery                      | 8                | ..               | ..             | ..              | ..                | ..             | 8                |
| Warehouse Beetle Eradication                        | 84               | ..               | ..             | ..              | ..                | ..             | 84               |
| Coal Mining Industry—Long Service Leave             | 5 447            | ..               | 992            | ..              | 327               | 16             | 6 783            |
| Apprenticeship Training                             | 1 393            | 1 062            | 891            | 82              | 571               | 160            | 4 159            |
| Education Program for Unemployed Youth              | 634              | 679              | 722            | 670             | 76                | 219            | 3 000            |
| Legal Aid   | ..               | 21               | ..             | ..              | ..                | ..             | 21               |
| Road Safety Practices                               | 37               | 30               | 28             | 19              | 25                | 11             | 150              |
| Research Grants                                     | 4 322            | 2 856            | 1 309          | 2 067           | 908               | 272            | 11 734           |
| Local Government Tax Sharing Assistance             | 65 487           | 45 666           | 30 252         | 15 433          | 16 848            | 5 741          | 179 427          |
| Natural Disaster Relief                             | 265              | 7                | 1 755          | 501             | 151               | ..             | 2 679            |
| <b>Total Specific Purpose Payments—Recurrent</b>    | <b>1 075 623</b> | <b>836 013</b>   | <b>432 067</b> | <b>299 769</b>  | <b>311 132</b>    | <b>93 161</b>  | <b>3 047 764</b> |

Table 82—Commonwealth Government Payments to the States and Loan Council Borrowings 1978-79 (\$ thousands)—continued

|   | New South Wales | Victoria  | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total      |
|---|-----------------|-----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|------------|
| SPECIFIC PURPOSE PAYMENTS—CAPITAL PURPOSES        |                 |           |            |                 |                   |          |            |
| Housing for Servicemen . . . . .                  | 5 423           | 948       | 5 229      | ..              | ..                | ..       | 11 600     |
| Universities . . . . .                            | 21 840          | 10 849    | 6 042      | 6 439           | 5 185             | 788      | 51 143     |
| Colleges of Advanced Education . . . . .          | 20 070          | 23 112    | 10 712     | 5 177           | 3 863             | 3 221    | 68 155     |
| Technical and Further Education . . . . .         | 19 279          | 19 592    | 15 078     | 6 901           | 3 726             | 394      | 64 970     |
| Schools . . . . .                                 | 58 954          | 48 993    | 29 475     | 16 178          | 20 971            | 4 385    | 178 956    |
| Child Migrant and Refugee Education . . . . .     | ..              | 88        | 40         | ..              | ..                | ..       | 129        |
| Launceston General Hospital . . . . .             | ..              | ..        | ..         | ..              | ..                | 4 959    | 4 959      |
| Community Health Program . . . . .                | 2 468           | 1 945     | 254        | 375             | 862               | 222      | 6 125      |
| School Dental Scheme . . . . .                    | 976             | 963       | 1 249      | 724             | ..                | 184      | 4 096      |
| Blood Transfusion Services . . . . .              | 100             | 909       | 34         | 25              | 73                | 9        | 1 149      |
| Disposal of Ships' Garbage . . . . .              | ..              | ..        | 4          | ..              | ..                | ..       | 4          |
| High Security Quarantine Unit . . . . .           | ..              | 89        | ..         | ..              | ..                | ..       | 89         |
| Senior Citizens Centres . . . . .                 | 1 200           | 608       | 553        | 423             | 100               | 166      | 3 050      |
| Pre-Schools and Child Care . . . . .              | 604             | 323       | ..         | 68              | 38                | ..       | 1 033      |
| Rehabilitation Centre—Hobart . . . . .            | ..              | ..        | ..         | ..              | ..                | 917      | 917        |
| Aboriginal Advancement . . . . .                  | 3 057           | 237       | 2 536      | 2 291           | 5 407             | 115      | 13 643     |
| Housing . . . . .                                 | 103 721         | 82 451    | 32 257     | 47 368          | 29 767            | 20 436   | 316 000    |
| Pensioner Housing . . . . .                       | 5 695           | 3 388     | 2 050      | 1 343           | 1 086             | 438      | 14 000     |
| Growth Centres . . . . .                          | 16 231          | 7 391     | ..         | 1 201           | ..                | ..       | 24 822     |
| Urban Flood Mitigation . . . . .                  | ..              | ..        | 818        | ..              | ..                | ..       | 818        |
| Land Acquisition . . . . .                        | 2 137           | 3 201     | ..         | 6 712           | 2 537             | ..       | 14 587     |
| Woolloomooloo Redevelopment . . . . .             | 275             | ..        | ..         | ..              | ..                | ..       | 275        |
| Air Quality Monitoring . . . . .                  | 30              | ..        | ..         | ..              | 40                | ..       | 70         |
| Captains Flat Project . . . . .                   | 144             | ..        | ..         | ..              | ..                | ..       | 144        |
| Leisure and Recreation/Culture . . . . .          | 250             | 92        | 45         | 220             | ..                | 45       | 652        |
| Nature Conservation . . . . .                     | ..              | 100       | ..         | ..              | ..                | 25       | 125        |
| National Estate . . . . .                         | 415             | 415       | 415        | 415             | 415               | 415      | 2 490      |
| 1982 Commonwealth Games Assistance . . . . .      | ..              | ..        | 2 500      | ..              | ..                | ..       | 2 500      |
| Roads . . . . .                                   | 164 485         | 105 771   | 106 947    | 43 207          | 64 382            | 23 208   | 508 000    |
| Second Hobart Bridge Study . . . . .              | ..              | ..        | ..         | ..              | ..                | 49       | 49         |
| Urban Public Transport . . . . .                  | 14 000          | 12 000    | 8 875      | 4 110           | 2 015             | 869      | 41 869     |
| Newcastle Drydock . . . . .                       | -178            | ..        | ..         | ..              | ..                | ..       | -178       |
| Transport Planning and Research . . . . .         | 2 484           | 1 714     | 983        | 469             | 581               | 173      | 6 404      |
| Tasman Bridge Disaster . . . . .                  | ..              | ..        | ..         | ..              | ..                | -725     | -725       |
| Urban Water Supply . . . . .                      | ..              | ..        | ..         | 4 490           | ..                | ..       | 4 490      |
| Julius Dam . . . . .                              | ..              | ..        | 500        | ..              | ..                | ..       | 500        |
| Bundaberg Irrigation Works . . . . .              | ..              | ..        | 950        | ..              | ..                | ..       | 950        |
| Water Resources Assessment . . . . .              | 1 755           | 1 136     | 952        | 727             | 3 018             | 426      | 8 014      |
| Salinity Reduction Control . . . . .              | 1 000           | 550       | ..         | 250             | ..                | ..       | 1 800      |
| Water Hyacinth Control . . . . .                  | 15              | ..        | ..         | ..              | ..                | ..       | 15         |
| Flood Mitigation . . . . .                        | 1 000           | ..        | 62         | ..              | ..                | ..       | 1 062      |
| Softwood Forestry . . . . .                       | 3 175           | 613       | 1 485      | ..              | 1 302             | 1 090    | 7 665      |
| Rural Adjustment Scheme . . . . .                 | 11 908          | 10 378    | 9 006      | 5 017           | 9 504             | 1 164    | 46 977     |
| Beef Industry Assistance . . . . .                | ..              | ..        | ..         | ..              | ..                | -3       | -3         |
| Fruitgrowing Industry . . . . .                   | -28             | ..        | ..         | ..              | ..                | 8        | 20         |
| Cheynes Beach Whale Coy Assistance . . . . .      | ..              | ..        | ..         | ..              | 25                | ..       | 25         |
| Soil Conservation . . . . .                       | 40              | 30        | ..         | ..              | 35                | ..       | 105        |
| Natural Disaster Relief . . . . .                 | 2 879           | 1 006     | 7 207      | 4 929           | 8 268             | ..       | 24 288     |
| Total Specific Purpose Payments—Capital . . . . . | 465 404         | 338 892   | 246 258    | 159 057         | 165 198           | 62 977   | 1 437 787  |
| TOTAL PAYMENTS                                    |                 |           |            |                 |                   |          |            |
|   | 3 159 913       | 2 385 000 | 1 607 532  | 1 080 952       | 1 100 088         | 430 371  | 9 763 856  |
| TOTAL PAYMENTS AND LOAN COUNCIL BORROWINGS        |                 |           |            |                 |                   |          |            |
| General Purpose . . . . .                         | 1 927 864       | 1 450 238 | 1 055 947  | 746 694         | 712 204           | 341 225  | 6 234 172  |
| Specific Purpose . . . . .                        | 1 541 027       | 1 174 905 | 678 325    | 458 826         | 476 330           | 156 138  | 4 485 551  |
| Total . . . . .                                   | 3 468 891       | 2 625 142 | 1 734 272  | 1 205 521       | 1 188 534         | 497 363  | 10 719 723 |

**Table 83—Commonwealth Government Payments to the States and Loan Council Borrowings, 1979-80 (estimate) (\$ thousands)**

|   | New South Wales  | Victoria         | Queensland     | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania       | Total            |
|---|------------------|------------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------------|------------------|
| <b>GENERAL REVENUE FUNDS</b>                        |                  |                  |                |                 |                   |                |                  |
| Personal Income Tax Sharing Entitlements            | 1 667 200        | 1 237 600        | 947 800        | 631 400         | 663 200           | 272 500        | 5 419 600        |
| Special Grants                                      | ..               | ..               | 12 400         | ..              | ..                | ..             | 12 400           |
| <b>Total General Revenue Funds</b>                  | <b>1 667 200</b> | <b>1 237 600</b> | <b>960 200</b> | <b>631 400</b>  | <b>663 200</b>    | <b>272 500</b> | <b>5 432 000</b> |
| <b>GENERAL PURPOSE CAPITAL FUNDS</b>                |                  |                  |                |                 |                   |                |                  |
| Loan Council Borrowings                             | 268 293          | 208 521          | 110 051        | 108 165         | 76 799            | 58 171         | 830 000          |
| Capital Grants                                      | 134 146          | 104 260          | 55 026         | 54 083          | 38 400            | 29 085         | 415 000          |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>402 439</b>   | <b>312 781</b>   | <b>165 077</b> | <b>162 248</b>  | <b>115 199</b>    | <b>87 256</b>  | <b>1 245 000</b> |
| <b>SPECIFIC PURPOSE PAYMENTS—RECURRENT PURPOSES</b> |                  |                  |                |                 |                   |                |                  |
| Payments under Financial Agreement—                 |                  |                  |                |                 |                   |                |                  |
| Interest on State Debt                              | 5 835            | 4 254            | 2 192          | 1 408           | 947               | 534            | 15 170           |
| Sinking Fund on State Debt                          | 12 599           | 9 652            | 5 029          | 4 756           | 3 583             | 2 531          | 38 149           |
| State Emergency Services                            | 486              | 333              | 375            | 44              | 75                | 81             | 1 394            |
| Assistance for Exmouth Shire                        | ..               | ..               | ..             | ..              | 352               | ..             | 352              |
| Universities  | 239 900          | 164 500          | 85 100         | 59 900          | 50 500            | 19 200         | 619 100          |
| Colleges of Advanced Education                      | 109 100          | 152 600          | 64 000         | 44 500          | 50 700            | 9 600          | 430 500          |
| Technical and Further Education                     | 23 000           | 15 304           | 6 270          | 6 140           | 6 000             | 1 930          | 58 644           |
| Schools   | 189 741          | 160 567          | 71 749         | 42 775          | 42 275            | 13 891         | 520 999          |
| Education—Allowance for Cost Escalation             | 28 000           | 24 000           | 11 000         | 8 000           | 7 000             | 2 000          | 80 000           |
| Child Migrant and Refugee Education                 | 955              | 885              | 165            | 165             | 165               | 50             | 2 385            |
| Educational Research                                | 194              | 262              | 188            | 145             | 81                | 10             | 880              |
| Public Hospitals—Running Costs                      | 438 000          | 278 000          | 155 000        | 114 000         | 128 000           | 38 000         | 1 151 000        |
| Community Health Program                            | 20 270           | 13 680           | 5 575          | 3 440           | 4 620             | 2 075          | 49 660           |
| School Dental Scheme                                | 3 790            | 3 470            | 3 700          | 3 290           | 3 700             | 1 877          | 19 827           |
| Health Education Campaigns                          | 380              | 206              | 178            | 145             | 149               | 67             | 1 125            |
| Blood Transfusion Services                          | 1 870            | 2 039            | 830            | 881             | 660               | 150            | 6 430            |
| Health Planning Agencies                            | 100              | 60               | 85             | 80              | 95                | 30             | 450              |
| Australian Encephalitis Control                     | 23               | 44               | ..             | 13              | 33                | ..             | 113              |
| Home Care Services                                  | 2 017            | 3 700            | 1 943          | 980             | 55                | 555            | 9 250            |
| Senior Citizens Centres                             | 315              | 562              | 55             | 89              | 101               | ..             | 1 122            |
| Paramedical Services                                | ..               | 352              | ..             | 486             | ..                | 25             | 863              |
| Assistance for Deserted Wives                       | 9 400            | 5 600            | 4 300          | 3 800           | 3 700             | 1 200          | 28 000           |
| Pre-Schools and Child Care                          | 10 430           | 12 215           | 7 505          | 6 130           | 5 860             | 1 960          | 44 100           |
| Maryborough Employment Grants                       | ..               | ..               | 3 000          | ..              | ..                | ..             | 3 000            |
| Rehabilitation Centre—Hobart                        | ..               | ..               | ..             | ..              | ..                | 450            | 450              |
| Translate/Interpretation Services                   | 122              | 128              | ..             | 60              | ..                | ..             | 310              |
| Aboriginal Advancement                              | 3 189            | 1 605            | 4 598          | 3 992           | 9 804             | 52             | 23 239           |
| Housing   | 1 848            | 1 347            | 423            | 941             | 627               | 314            | 5 500            |
| Leisure and Recreation/Culture                      | 45               | 42               | 34             | 32              | 30                | 24             | 207              |
| Nature Conservation                                 | ..               | ..               | ..             | ..              | ..                | 75             | 75               |
| Apple Export Assistance                             | ..               | 225              | 8              | ..              | 250               | 450            | 933              |
| Bovine Brucellosis and T.B. Eradication             | 8 350            | 6 754            | 5 934          | 2 107           | 1 007             | 46             | 24 196           |
| Exotic Diseases Eradication                         | ..               | ..               | 76             | ..              | 40                | ..             | 116              |
| Plant Pest Control                                  | ..               | ..               | ..             | 143             | ..                | ..             | 143              |
| Agricultural Extension Services                     | 1 274            | 1 135            | 964            | 516             | 581               | 260            | 4 750            |
| Minor Agricultural Research                         | 147              | 98               | 34             | 7               | 8                 | ..             | 294              |
| Warehouse Beetle Eradication                        | 41               | ..               | ..             | ..              | ..                | ..             | 41               |
| Coal Mining Industry—Long Service Leave             | 6 000            | ..               | 830            | ..              | 300               | 20             | 7 150            |
| Apprenticeship Training                             | 265              | 120              | 146            | ..              | 219               | 88             | 838              |
| Education Programs for Unemployed Youth             | 800              | 777              | 760            | 745             | 105               | 300            | 3 487            |
| Legal Aid   | 28               | 35               | 28             | 28              | 28                | 28             | 175              |
| Road Safety Practices                               | 37               | 30               | 28             | 19              | 25                | 11             | 150              |
| Research Grants                                     | 4 577            | 2 907            | 1 386          | 2 177           | 1 014             | 309            | 12 370           |
| Local Government Tax Sharing Assistance             | 80 930           | 56 436           | 37 387         | 19 072          | 20 821            | 7 095          | 221 739          |
| Natural Disaster Relief                             | ..               | ..               | 204            | ..              | ..                | ..             | 204              |
| <b>Total Specific Purpose Payments—Recurrent</b>    | <b>1 204 058</b> | <b>923 921</b>   | <b>481 078</b> | <b>331 006</b>  | <b>343 509</b>    | <b>105 289</b> | <b>3 388 860</b> |

Table 83—Commonwealth Government Payments to the States and Loan Council Borrowings, 1979-80 (estimate) (\$ thousands)—continued

|   | New South Wales  | Victoria         | Queensland       | South Australia  | Western Australia | Tasmania       | Total             |
|---|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| <b>SPECIFIC PURPOSE PAYMENTS CAPITAL PURPOSES</b>           |                  |                  |                  |                  |                   |                |                   |
| Housing for Servicemen . . . . .                            | 865              | 290              | 286              | 20               | 46                | ..             | 1 507             |
| Universities . . . . .                                      | 22 200           | 9 600            | 8 100            | 3 400            | 3 400             | 900            | 47 600            |
| Colleges of Advanced Education . . . . .                    | 12 800           | 19 700           | 4 800            | 4 300            | 2 800             | 800            | 45 200            |
| Technical and Further Education . . . . .                   | 23 700           | 19 800           | 12 600           | 8 900            | 6 800             | 2 200          | 74 000            |
| Schools . . . . .   | 52 900           | 43 639           | 24 476           | 13 718           | 11 977            | 3 975          | 150 685           |
| Education—Allowance for Cost Escalation . . . . .           | 6 000            | 4 000            | 2 000            | 1 500            | 1 000             | 500            | 15 000            |
| Child Migrant and Refugee Education . . . . .               | 100              | 50               | 50               | 40               | 40                | ..             | 280               |
| Launceston General Hospital . . . . .                       | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..                | 5 500          | 5 500             |
| Community Health Program . . . . .                          | 1 100            | 1 210            | 255              | 120              | 395               | 40             | 3 120             |
| School Dental Scheme . . . . .                              | 600              | 1 102            | 806              | 272              | 130               | 100            | 3 010             |
| Blood Transfusion Services . . . . .                        | 111              | 122              | 70               | 35               | 64                | ..             | 402               |
| Disposal of Ships' Garbage . . . . .                        | 42               | ..               | ..               | 136              | ..                | 42             | 220               |
| High Security Quarantine Unit . . . . .                     | ..               | 1 000            | ..               | ..               | ..                | ..             | 1 000             |
| Senior Citizens Centres . . . . .                           | 1 472            | 1 068            | 656              | 380              | 308               | 116            | 4 000             |
| Pre-Schools and Child Care . . . . .                        | 500              | 100              | ..               | 50               | 100               | ..             | 750               |
| Rehabilitation Centre—Hobart . . . . .                      | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..                | 850            | 850               |
| Aboriginal Advancement . . . . .                            | 3 431            | 275              | 1 704            | 2 181            | 5 027             | 254            | 12 872            |
| Housing . . . . .   | 52 512           | 41 744           | 16 336           | 23 984           | 15 072            | 10 352         | 160 000           |
| Pensioner Housing(a) . . . . .                              | 12 132           | 7 186            | 4 495            | 2 856            | 2 361             | 970            | 100 000           |
| Growth Centres . . . . .                                    | 17 874           | 8 012            | ..               | 1 311            | ..                | ..             | 27 197            |
| Urban Flood Mitigation . . . . .                            | ..               | ..               | 62               | ..               | ..                | ..             | 62                |
| Land Acquisition . . . . .                                  | 2 338            | 3 267            | ..               | 7 329            | 2 764             | ..             | 15 699            |
| Woolloomooloo Redevelopment . . . . .                       | 781              | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..                | ..             | 781               |
| Captains Flat Project . . . . .                             | 38               | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..                | ..             | 38                |
| Legana Industrial Estate—Tasmania . . . . .                 | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..                | 200            | 200               |
| Leisure and Recreation/Culture . . . . .                    | 110              | ..               | ..               | 257              | ..                | 4              | 371               |
| National Estate . . . . .                                   | 300              | 300              | 300              | 300              | 300               | 300            | 1 800             |
| Port Arthur Conservation Program . . . . .                  | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..                | 400            | 400               |
| 1982 Commonwealth Games Assistance . . . . .                | ..               | ..               | 2 500            | ..               | ..                | ..             | 2 500             |
| Roads . . . . .   | 176 789          | 113 683          | 114 947          | 46 439           | 69 198            | 24 944         | 546 000           |
| Second Hobart Bridge Study . . . . .                        | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..                | 1 000          | 1 000             |
| Railway Mainline Upgrading . . . . .                        | 5 500            | 3 500            | 2 000            | ..               | ..                | ..             | 11 000            |
| Urban Public Transport . . . . .                            | 14 126           | 12 134           | 9 220            | 4 015            | 2 055             | 1 132          | 42 682            |
| Transport Planning and Research . . . . .                   | 2 670            | 1 842            | 1 056            | 504              | 658               | 186            | 6 917             |
| Julius Dam . . . . .  | ..               | ..               | 250              | ..               | ..                | ..             | 250               |
| Launceston Precision Tools Annex . . . . .                  | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..                | 343            | 343               |
| Ord River Project . . . . .                                 | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..               | 67                | ..             | 67                |
| Water Resources Assessment . . . . .                        | n.a.             | n.a.             | n.a.             | n.a.             | n.a.              | n.a.           | 18 849            |
| Salinity Reduction Control . . . . .                        | 1 425            | 785              | ..               | 355              | ..                | ..             | 2 565             |
| Flood Mitigation . . . . .                                  | 1 000            | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..                | ..             | 1 000             |
| Softwood Forestry . . . . .                                 | 1 985            | 348              | 1 000            | 800              | 867               | 1 000          | 6 000             |
| Native Forestry Assistance—Tasmania . . . . .               | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..                | 372            | 372               |
| Rural Adjustment Scheme . . . . .                           | 6 800            | 4 100            | 2 100            | 2 600            | 2 700             | 400            | 18 700            |
| Sugar Industry . . . . .                                    | ..               | ..               | 27 500           | ..               | ..                | ..             | 27 500            |
| Assistance for Mount Lyell Mining . . . . .                 | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..                | 343            | 343               |
| Assistance for Chrysofile Corporation . . . . .             | 1 400            | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..                | ..             | 1 400             |
| Natural Disaster Relief . . . . .                           | ..               | ..               | 5 296            | ..               | ..                | ..             | 5 296             |
| <b>Total Specific Purpose Payments—Capital(b)</b> . . . . . | <b>448 924</b>   | <b>319 819</b>   | <b>254 512</b>   | <b>140 895</b>   | <b>139 123</b>    | <b>62 052</b>  | <b>1 365 326</b>  |
| <b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>                                       |                  |                  |                  |                  |                   |                |                   |
|   | <b>3 454 328</b> | <b>2 585 601</b> | <b>1 750 817</b> | <b>1 157 384</b> | <b>1 184 232</b>  | <b>468 925</b> | <b>10 601 186</b> |
| <b>TOTAL PAYMENTS AND LOAN COUNCIL BORROWINGS</b>           |                  |                  |                  |                  |                   |                |                   |
| General Purpose . . . . .                                   | 2 069 639        | 1 550 381        | 1 125 277        | 793 648          | 778 399           | 359 756        | 6 677 000         |
| Specific Purpose . . . . .                                  | 1 652 982        | 1 243 741        | 735 591          | 471 901          | 482 632           | 167 340        | 4 754 186         |
| <b>TOTAL</b> . . . . .                                      | <b>3 722 621</b> | <b>2 794 122</b> | <b>1 860 868</b> | <b>1 265 549</b> | <b>1 261 031</b>  | <b>527 096</b> | <b>11 431 186</b> |

(a) Individual State amounts will not add to Six State total. See footnote(b).

(b) The totals for individual States include notional estimates of items for which a State by State dissection of the total is not available (as indicated by 'n.a.' in the body of the table). The actual allocation for these items has still to be determined.

**Table 84—Summary of Payments to or for the States and the Northern Territory, State Government Loan Council Programs, and Payments made direct to Local Government Authorities, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|  | New South Wales | Victoria  | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total      |
|--|-----------------|-----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|------------|
| <b>GENERAL REVENUE FUNDS</b>                                 |                 |           |            |                 |                   |          |            |
| 1975-76 . . . . .  | 946 660         | 706 389   | 573 092    | 365 591         | 363 031           | 156 816  | 3 111 580  |
| 1976-77 . . . . .  | 1 133 400       | 841 700   | 687 200    | 433 200         | 440 800           | 186 294  | 3 722 594  |
| 1977-78 . . . . .  | 1 319 609       | 984 690   | 795 339    | 507 761         | 519 891           | 214 150  | 4 341 441  |
| 1978-79 . . . . .  | 1 464 397       | 1 090 025 | 865 837    | 559 841         | 579 532           | 240 737  | 4 800 369  |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . .                                 | 1 667 200       | 1 237 600 | 960 200    | 631 400         | 663 200           | 272 500  | 5 432 000  |
| <b>GENERAL PURPOSE CAPITAL FUNDS(a)</b>                      |                 |           |            |                 |                   |          |            |
| 1975-76 . . . . .  | 411 171         | 326 615   | 172 378    | 169 425         | 120 296           | 91 115   | 1 291 000  |
| 1976-77 . . . . .  | 431 873         | 343 060   | 181 057    | 177 955         | 126 352           | 95 703   | 1 356 000  |
| 1977-78 . . . . .  | 463 467         | 360 213   | 190 110    | 186 853         | 132 666           | 100 488  | 1 433 797  |
| 1978-79 . . . . .  | 463 467         | 360 213   | 190 110    | 186 853         | 132 672           | 100 488  | 1 433 803  |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . .                                 | 402 439         | 312 781   | 165 077    | 162 248         | 115 199           | 87 256   | 1 245 000  |
| <b>TOTAL GENERAL PURPOSE FUNDS</b>                           |                 |           |            |                 |                   |          |            |
| 1975-76 . . . . .  | 1 357 831       | 1 033 004 | 745 470    | 535 016         | 483 327           | 247 931  | 4 402 580  |
| 1976-77 . . . . .  | 1 565 273       | 1 184 760 | 868 257    | 611 155         | 567 152           | 281 997  | 5 078 594  |
| 1977-78 . . . . .  | 1 783 076       | 1 344 903 | 985 449    | 694 614         | 652 557           | 314 638  | 5 775 238  |
| 1978-79 . . . . .  | 1 927 864       | 1 450 238 | 1 055 947  | 746 694         | 712 204           | 341 225  | 6 234 172  |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . .                                 | 2 069 639       | 1 550 381 | 1 125 277  | 793 648         | 778 399           | 359 756  | 6 677 000  |
| <b>SPECIFIC PURPOSE PAYMENTS—RECURRENT</b>                   |                 |           |            |                 |                   |          |            |
| 1975-76 . . . . .  | 815 178         | 653 151   | 299 534    | 235 330         | 232 385           | 80 371   | 2 315 949  |
| 1976-77 . . . . .  | 830 247         | 671 958   | 327 417    | 241 026         | 243 468           | 73 444   | 2 387 561  |
| 1977-78 . . . . .  | 1 012 713       | 783 117   | 401 288    | 291 861         | 295 430           | 89 495   | 2 873 903  |
| 1978-79 . . . . .  | 1 075 623       | 836 013   | 432 067    | 299 769         | 311 132           | 93 161   | 3 047 764  |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . .                                 | 1 204 058       | 923 921   | 481 078    | 331 006         | 343 509           | 105 289  | 3 388 860  |
| <b>SPECIFIC PURPOSE PAYMENTS—CAPITAL</b>                     |                 |           |            |                 |                   |          |            |
| 1975-76 . . . . .  | 594 400         | 457 417   | 307 512    | 205 471         | 183 385           | 88 119   | 1 836 304  |
| 1976-77 . . . . .  | 544 781         | 404 616   | 303 256    | 181 285         | 170 975           | 75 997   | 1 680 909  |
| 1977-78 . . . . .  | 492 898         | 365 590   | 273 354    | 193 322         | 175 044           | 74 988   | 1 575 195  |
| 1978-79 . . . . .  | 465 404         | 338 892   | 246 258    | 159 057         | 165 198           | 62 977   | 1 437 787  |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . .                                 | 448 924         | 319 819   | 254 512    | 140 895         | 139 123           | 62 052   | 1 365 326  |
| <b>TOTAL SPECIFIC PURPOSE PAYMENTS</b>                       |                 |           |            |                 |                   |          |            |
| 1975-76 . . . . .  | 1 409 579       | 1 110 567 | 607 046    | 440 801         | 415 770           | 168 490  | 4 152 253  |
| 1976-77 . . . . .  | 1 375 028       | 1 076 573 | 630 673    | 422 311         | 414 443           | 149 441  | 4 068 470  |
| 1977-78 . . . . .  | 1 505 611       | 1 148 707 | 674 642    | 485 183         | 470 473           | 164 483  | 4 449 099  |
| 1978-79 . . . . .  | 1 541 027       | 1 174 905 | 678 325    | 458 826         | 476 330           | 156 138  | 4 485 551  |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . .                                 | 1 652 982       | 1 243 741 | 735 591    | 471 901         | 482 632           | 167 340  | 4 754 186  |
| <b>TOTAL PAYMENTS(b)</b>                                     |                 |           |            |                 |                   |          |            |
| 1975-76 . . . . .  | 2 493 296       | 1 925 827 | 1 237 597  | 862 867         | 818 900           | 355 679  | 7 694 166  |
| 1976-77 . . . . .  | 2 652 386       | 2 032 627 | 1 378 225  | 914 829         | 897 360           | 367 636  | 8 243 064  |
| 1977-78 . . . . .  | 2 979 709       | 2 253 468 | 1 533 351  | 1 055 228       | 1 034 584         | 412 129  | 9 268 470  |
| 1978-79 . . . . .  | 3 159 913       | 2 385 000 | 1 607 532  | 1 080 952       | 1 100 088         | 430 371  | 9 763 856  |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . .                                 | 3 454 328       | 2 585 601 | 1 750 817  | 1 157 384       | 1 184 232         | 468 925  | 10 601 186 |
| <b>TOTAL PAYMENTS AND LOAN COUNCIL BORROWING PROGRAMS(c)</b> |                 |           |            |                 |                   |          |            |
| 1975-76 . . . . .  | 2 767 410       | 2 143 571 | 1 352 516  | 975 817         | 899 097           | 416 422  | 8 554 833  |
| 1976-77 . . . . .  | 2 940 301       | 2 261 333 | 1 498 930  | 1 033 466       | 981 595           | 431 438  | 9 147 064  |
| 1977-78 . . . . .  | 3 288 687       | 2 493 610 | 1 660 091  | 1 179 797       | 1 123 030         | 479 121  | 10 224 337 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .  | 3 468 891       | 2 625 142 | 1 734 272  | 1 205 521       | 1 188 534         | 497 363  | 10 719 723 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . .                                 | 3 722 621       | 2 794 122 | 1 860 868  | 1 265 549       | 1 261 031         | 527 096  | 11 431 186 |

Table 84—Summary of Payments to or for the States and the Northern Territory, State Government Loan Council Programs, and Payments made direct to Local Government Authorities, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)—continued

|  | New South Wales | Victoria  | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total      |
|--|-----------------|-----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|------------|
| <b>PAYMENTS MADE DIRECT TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES (GROSS)</b>  |                 |           |            |                 |                   |          |            |
| 1975-76  | 45 673          | 18 720    | 18 687     | 8 063           | 8 595             | 6 765    | 106 502    |
| 1976-77  | 2 723           | 4 877     | 1 213      | 2 786           | 1 146             | 666      | 13 411     |
| 1977-78  | 3 295           | 5 405     | 2 095      | 1 066           | 1 383             | 928      | 14 173     |
| 1978-79  | 6 005           | 5 724     | 1 501      | 1 603           | 1 988             | 550      | 17 372     |
| 1979-80 (estimate)   | 5 542           | 4 666     | 1 602      | 1 453           | 2 720             | 525      | 16 508     |
| <b>TOTAL PAYMENTS TO OR FOR THE STATES, STATE GOVERNMENTS' LOAN COUNCIL BORROWING PROGRAMS, AND PAYMENTS MADE DIRECT TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES (GROSS)</b> |                 |           |            |                 |                   |          |            |
| 1975-76  | 2 813 083       | 2 162 291 | 1 371 203  | 983 880         | 907 691           | 423 187  | 8 661 335  |
| 1976-77  | 2 943 024       | 2 266 210 | 1 500 143  | 1 036 252       | 982 741           | 432 104  | 9 160 474  |
| 1977-78  | 3 291 982       | 2 499 016 | 1 662 186  | 1 180 863       | 1 124 413         | 480 049  | 10 238 510 |
| 1978-79  | 3 474 896       | 2 630 866 | 1 735 774  | 1 207 124       | 1 190 522         | 497 913  | 10 737 094 |
| 1979-80 (estimate)   | 3 728 163       | 2 798 788 | 1 862 470  | 1 267 002       | 1 263 751         | 527 621  | 11 447 694 |
| <b>REPAYMENTS BY STATES AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES(d)</b>  |                 |           |            |                 |                   |          |            |
| 1975-76  | 64 221          | 45 610    | 30 256     | 25 120          | 19 507            | 13 541   | 198 255    |
| 1976-77  | 78 149          | 50 242    | 32 890     | 25 273          | 21 328            | 13 639   | 221 521    |
| 1977-78  | 84 358          | 54 274    | 35 112     | 27 410          | 22 952            | 14 843   | 238 949    |
| 1978-79  | 89 580          | 59 355    | 38 586     | 29 824          | 24 464            | 16 954   | 258 763    |
| 1979-80 (estimate)   | 87 317          | 63 651    | 45 884     | 33 459          | 29 767            | 19 602   | 279 681    |
| <b>TOTAL PAYMENTS TO OR FOR THE STATES, STATE GOVERNMENTS' LOAN COUNCIL BORROWING PROGRAMS AND PAYMENTS MADE DIRECT TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES (NET)</b>    |                 |           |            |                 |                   |          |            |
| 1975-76  | 2 748 862       | 2 116 681 | 1 340 947  | 958 760         | 888 184           | 409 646  | 8 463 080  |
| 1976-77  | 2 864 874       | 2 215 968 | 1 467 252  | 1 010 980       | 961 413           | 418 466  | 8 938 953  |
| 1977-78  | 3 207 624       | 2 444 742 | 1 627 075  | 1 153 453       | 1 101 462         | 465 206  | 9 999 561  |
| 1978-79  | 3 385 316       | 2 571 512 | 1 697 188  | 1 177 300       | 1 166 058         | 480 958  | 10 478 331 |
| 1979-80 (estimate)   | 3 640 846       | 2 735 136 | 1 816 585  | 1 233 543       | 1 233 983         | 508 019  | 11 168 013 |
| <b>PAYMENTS TO THE NORTHERN TERRITORY AND PAYMENTS MADE DIRECT TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES IN THE NORTHERN TERRITORY (NET BASIS)(e)</b>                      |                 |           |            |                 |                   |          |            |
| 1977-78  | ..              | ..        | ..         | ..              | ..                | ..       | 52 793     |
| 1978-79  | ..              | ..        | ..         | ..              | ..                | ..       | 288 059    |
| 1979-80 (estimate)   | ..              | ..        | ..         | ..              | ..                | ..       | 440 283    |
| <b>GRAND TOTAL—PAYMENTS TO OR FOR THE STATES, THE NORTHERN TERRITORY AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES (NET BASIS)</b>  |                 |           |            |                 |                   |          |            |
| 1977-78  | ..              | ..        | ..         | ..              | ..                | ..       | 10 052 354 |
| 1978-79  | ..              | ..        | ..         | ..              | ..                | ..       | 10 776 390 |
| 1979-80 (estimate)   | ..              | ..        | ..         | ..              | ..                | ..       | 11 608 295 |

(a) See Chapter III, under heading 'Treatment of Loan Council Programs in This and Other Budget Papers'.

(b) Comprises all the amounts shown above, with the exception of the borrowing program component of general purpose capital funds. See reference in footnote (a).

(c) Total payments to or for the States and State Loan Council borrowing programs on a net basis (i.e., excluding payments made direct to local government authorities) are given in Appendix IV, Table 110.

(d) That is, repayments of Commonwealth advances to the States and local government authorities and sinking fund payments on State Loan Council borrowings. See Appendix IV. Repayments of Commonwealth advances made direct to local government authorities (not included in Appendix IV) were \$18 000, \$19 000, \$20 000, \$20 000 and are estimated to be \$20 000 in 1975-76 to 1979-80 respectively.

(e) For further details see Tables 59 and 60 in Chapter V.

**Table 85—Summary of Payments to or for the States and the Northern Territory, State Government Loan Council Programs, and Payments made direct to Local Government Authorities, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ Per Head of Population(a))**

|  | New<br>South<br>Wales | Victoria | Queens-<br>land | South<br>Australia | Western<br>Australia | Tasmania | Total  |
|--|-----------------------|----------|-----------------|--------------------|----------------------|----------|--------|
| <b>PAYMENTS TO OR FOR THE STATES AND STATE LOAN COUNCIL PROGRAMS</b> |                       |          |                 |                    |                      |          |        |
| <b>GENERAL REVENUE FUNDS</b>   |                       |          |                 |                    |                      |          |        |
| 1975-76 . . . . .  | 193.27                | 189.25   | 273.08          | 290.96             | 313.44               | 386.06   | 229.63 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .  | 229.74                | 223.59   | 323.72          | 341.42             | 372.52               | 455.38   | 272.08 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .  | 264.89                | 259.08   | 369.39          | 395.48             | 429.38               | 519.66   | 313.63 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .  | 290.24                | 284.04   | 397.63          | 433.75             | 469.90               | 579.53   | 342.89 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . .   | 326.03                | 319.04   | 437.03          | 486.97             | 528.15               | 650.36   | 383.58 |
| <b>GENERAL PURPOSE CAPITAL FUNDS</b>                                 |                       |          |                 |                    |                      |          |        |
| 1975-76 . . . . .  | 83.94                 | 87.50    | 82.14           | 134.84             | 103.86               | 224.31   | 95.27  |
| 1976-77 . . . . .  | 87.54                 | 91.13    | 85.29           | 140.25             | 106.78               | 233.94   | 99.11  |
| 1977-78 . . . . .  | 93.03                 | 94.78    | 88.30           | 145.54             | 109.57               | 243.84   | 103.58 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .  | 91.86                 | 93.86    | 87.31           | 144.77             | 107.57               | 241.91   | 102.42 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . .   | 78.70                 | 80.63    | 75.13           | 125.13             | 91.74                | 208.25   | 87.92  |
| <b>TOTAL GENERAL PURPOSE FUNDS</b>                                   |                       |          |                 |                    |                      |          |        |
| 1975-76 . . . . .  | 277.21                | 276.75   | 355.22          | 425.80             | 417.31               | 610.37   | 324.91 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .  | 317.27                | 314.73   | 409.01          | 481.68             | 479.30               | 689.31   | 371.19 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .  | 357.92                | 353.86   | 457.69          | 541.02             | 538.95               | 763.50   | 417.21 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .  | 382.10                | 377.90   | 484.94          | 578.52             | 577.48               | 821.44   | 445.30 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . .   | 404.72                | 399.68   | 512.16          | 612.10             | 619.89               | 858.61   | 471.50 |
| <b>SPECIFIC PURPOSE PAYMENTS—RECURRENT</b>                           |                       |          |                 |                    |                      |          |        |
| 1975-76 . . . . .  | 166.42                | 174.99   | 142.73          | 187.29             | 200.64               | 197.86   | 170.91 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .  | 168.29                | 178.50   | 154.24          | 189.96             | 205.75               | 179.53   | 174.51 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .  | 203.28                | 206.05   | 186.38          | 227.32             | 244.00               | 217.17   | 207.62 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .  | 213.19                | 217.85   | 198.42          | 232.25             | 252.28               | 224.27   | 217.70 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . .   | 235.46                | 238.18   | 218.96          | 255.29             | 273.56               | 251.29   | 239.31 |
| <b>SPECIFIC PURPOSE PAYMENTS—CAPITAL</b>                             |                       |          |                 |                    |                      |          |        |
| 1975-76 . . . . .  | 121.35                | 122.55   | 146.53          | 163.53             | 158.34               | 216.94   | 135.52 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .  | 110.42                | 107.48   | 142.86          | 142.88             | 144.49               | 185.77   | 122.86 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .  | 98.94                 | 96.19    | 126.96          | 150.57             | 144.57               | 181.97   | 113.79 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .  | 92.24                 | 88.31    | 113.09          | 123.23             | 133.95               | 151.61   | 102.70 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . .   | 87.79                 | 82.45    | 115.84          | 108.67             | 110.79               | 148.09   | 96.41  |
| <b>TOTAL SPECIFIC PURPOSE PAYMENTS</b>                               |                       |          |                 |                    |                      |          |        |
| 1975-76 . . . . .  | 287.77                | 297.53   | 289.26          | 350.82             | 358.98               | 414.80   | 306.43 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .  | 278.71                | 285.99   | 297.09          | 332.84             | 350.24               | 365.29   | 297.36 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .  | 302.22                | 302.24   | 313.34          | 377.90             | 388.56               | 399.13   | 321.41 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .  | 305.43                | 306.16   | 311.52          | 355.49             | 386.22               | 375.87   | 320.40 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . .   | 323.25                | 320.63   | 334.80          | 363.95             | 384.35               | 399.38   | 335.72 |
| <b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>  |                       |          |                 |                    |                      |          |        |
| 1975-76 . . . . .  | 509.02                | 515.95   | 589.72          | 686.72             | 707.05               | 875.62   | 567.82 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .  | 537.63                | 539.96   | 649.25          | 721.02             | 758.35               | 898.65   | 602.48 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .  | 598.12                | 592.91   | 712.16          | 821.89             | 854.46               | 1 000.07 | 669.57 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .  | 626.30                | 621.48   | 738.25          | 837.49             | 891.99               | 1 036.04 | 697.42 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . .   | 675.50                | 666.55   | 796.88          | 892.63             | 943.08               | 1 119.15 | 748.61 |
| <b>TOTAL PAYMENTS AND LOAN COUNCIL BORROWING PROGRAMS</b>            |                       |          |                 |                    |                      |          |        |
| 1975-76 . . . . .  | 564.99                | 574.28   | 644.48          | 776.62             | 776.29               | 1 025.16 | 631.34 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .  | 595.99                | 600.72   | 706.11          | 814.52             | 829.54               | 1 054.60 | 668.55 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .  | 660.14                | 656.09   | 771.02          | 918.92             | 927.51               | 1 162.63 | 738.62 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .  | 687.54                | 684.06   | 796.45          | 934.01             | 963.70               | 1 197.31 | 765.70 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . .   | 727.97                | 720.30   | 846.97          | 976.05             | 1 004.25             | 1 257.99 | 807.22 |

Table 85—Summary of Payments to or for the States and the Northern Territory, State Government Loan Council Programs, and Payments made direct to Local Government Authorities, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ Per Head of Population(a))—continued

|  | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total    |
|--|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|----------|
| <b>PAYMENTS MADE DIRECT TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES (GROSS)</b>  |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |          |
| 1975-76  | 9.32            | 5.02     | 8.90       | 6.42            | 7.42              | 16.65    | 7.86     |
| 1976-77  | .55             | 1.30     | .57        | 2.20            | .97               | 1.63     | .98      |
| 1977-78  | .66             | 1.42     | .97        | .83             | 1.14              | 2.25     | 1.02     |
| 1978-79  | 1.19            | 1.49     | .69        | 1.24            | 1.61              | 1.32     | 1.24     |
| 1979-80 (estimate)   | 1.08            | 1.20     | .73        | 1.12            | 2.17              | 1.25     | 1.17     |
| <b>TOTAL PAYMENTS TO OR FOR THE STATES,<br/>STATE GOVERNMENTS' LOAN COUNCIL BORROWING PROGRAMS,<br/>AND PAYMENTS MADE DIRECT TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES (GROSS)</b> |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |          |
| 1975-76  | 574.31          | 579.30   | 653.39     | 783.03          | 783.71            | 1 041.82 | 639.20   |
| 1976-77  | 596.54          | 602.01   | 706.68     | 816.72          | 830.51            | 1 056.23 | 669.53   |
| 1977-78  | 660.80          | 657.51   | 772.00     | 919.75          | 928.65            | 1 164.88 | 739.65   |
| 1978-79  | 688.73          | 685.55   | 797.14     | 935.25          | 965.31            | 1 198.63 | 766.94   |
| 1979-80 (estimate)   | 729.05          | 721.50   | 847.69     | 977.17          | 1 006.41          | 1 259.24 | 808.38   |
| <b>REPAYMENTS BY STATES AND<br/>LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES</b>   |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |          |
| 1975-76  | 13.11           | 12.22    | 14.42      | 19.99           | 16.84             | 33.34    | 14.63    |
| 1976-77  | 15.84           | 13.35    | 15.49      | 19.92           | 18.02             | 33.34    | 16.19    |
| 1977-78  | 16.93           | 14.28    | 16.31      | 21.35           | 18.96             | 36.02    | 17.26    |
| 1978-79  | 17.75           | 15.47    | 17.72      | 23.11           | 19.84             | 40.81    | 18.48    |
| 1979-80 (estimate)   | 17.08           | 16.41    | 20.88      | 25.81           | 23.71             | 46.78    | 19.75    |
| <b>TOTAL PAYMENTS TO OR FOR THE STATES,<br/>STATE GOVERNMENTS' LOAN COUNCIL BORROWING PROGRAMS AND<br/>PAYMENTS MADE DIRECT TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES (NET)</b>    |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |          |
| 1975-76  | 561.20          | 567.08   | 638.97     | 763.04          | 766.87            | 1 008.48 | 624.57   |
| 1976-77  | 580.70          | 588.66   | 691.19     | 796.80          | 812.48            | 1 022.89 | 653.34   |
| 1977-78  | 643.87          | 643.23   | 755.69     | 898.40          | 909.70            | 1 128.87 | 722.39   |
| 1978-79  | 670.97          | 670.08   | 779.42     | 912.14          | 945.48            | 1 157.82 | 748.46   |
| 1979-80 (estimate)   | 711.98          | 705.10   | 826.81     | 951.37          | 982.71            | 1 212.46 | 788.63   |
| <b>PAYMENTS TO THE NORTHERN TERRITORY (NET BASIS)</b>  |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |          |
| 1977-78  | ..              | ..       | ..         | ..              | ..                | ..       | 482.57   |
| 1978-79  | ..              | ..       | ..         | ..              | ..                | ..       | 2 515.80 |
| 1979-80 (estimate)   | ..              | ..       | ..         | ..              | ..                | ..       | 3 715.46 |
| <b>GRAND TOTAL—PAYMENTS TO OR FOR THE STATES, THE NORTHERN TERRITORY AND<br/>LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES (NET BASIS)</b>  |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |          |
| 1977-78  | ..              | ..       | ..         | ..              | ..                | ..       | 720.50   |
| 1978-79  | ..              | ..       | ..         | ..              | ..                | ..       | 763.50   |
| 1979-80 (estimate)   | ..              | ..       | ..         | ..              | ..                | ..       | 812.92   |

(a) See footnotes to previous table.



**Table 86—Total Payments to or for the States and State Governments' Loan Council Programs—Dissection Between Funds for Recurrent and Capital(a) Purposes, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|                              | New South Wales | Victoria  | Queens-land | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total     |
|------------------------------|-----------------|-----------|-------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|-----------|
| FUNDS FOR RECURRENT PURPOSES |                 |           |             |                 |                   |          |           |
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 1 761 839       | 1 359 540 | 872 626     | 600 921         | 595 416           | 237 188  | 5 427 529 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 1 963 647       | 1 513 658 | 1 014 617   | 674 226         | 684 268           | 259 739  | 6 110 155 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 2 332 322       | 1 767 808 | 1 196 627   | 799 622         | 815 321           | 303 645  | 7 215 345 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 2 540 020       | 1 926 038 | 1 297 904   | 859 611         | 890 663           | 333 898  | 7 848 133 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 2 871 258       | 2 161 521 | 1 441 278   | 962 406         | 1 006 709         | 377 789  | 8 820 860 |
| FUNDS FOR CAPITAL PURPOSES   |                 |           |             |                 |                   |          |           |
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 1 005 571       | 784 032   | 479 890     | 374 896         | 303 681           | 179 234  | 3 127 304 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 976 654         | 747 676   | 484 313     | 359 240         | 297 327           | 171 700  | 3 036 909 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 956 365         | 725 803   | 463 464     | 380 175         | 307 710           | 175 476  | 3 008 992 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 928 871         | 699 105   | 436 368     | 345 910         | 297 870           | 163 465  | 2 871 590 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 851 363         | 632 600   | 419 589     | 303 143         | 254 322           | 149 308  | 2 610 326 |

(a) Gross basis, i.e. *before* deducting repayments of Commonwealth advances to the States and sinking fund payments on State Loan Council borrowings. Note that this table also excludes payments made to the Northern Territory and made direct to local government authorities. See footnotes to previous tables in this Appendix.

**Table 87—Total Payments to or for the States and State Governments' Loan Council Programs—Dissection between Funds for Recurrent and Capital Purposes, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ Per Head of Population\*)**

|                              | New South Wales | Victoria | Queens-land | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total  |
|------------------------------|-----------------|----------|-------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|--------|
| FUNDS FOR RECURRENT PURPOSES |                 |          |             |                 |                   |          |        |
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 359.69          | 364.23   | 415.81      | 478.25          | 514.09            | 583.92   | 400.55 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 398.02          | 402.10   | 477.96      | 531.39          | 578.27            | 634.90   | 446.59 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 468.17          | 465.13   | 555.77      | 622.81          | 673.37            | 736.82   | 521.25 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 503.43          | 501.89   | 596.05      | 666.00          | 722.18            | 803.80   | 560.58 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 561.48          | 557.22   | 655.99      | 742.25          | 801.71            | 901.64   | 622.89 |
| FUNDS FOR CAPITAL PURPOSES   |                 |          |             |                 |                   |          |        |
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 205.29          | 210.05   | 228.67      | 298.37          | 262.20            | 441.25   | 230.79 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 197.96          | 198.62   | 228.15      | 283.13          | 251.27            | 419.70   | 221.97 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 191.97          | 190.97   | 215.25      | 296.11          | 254.14            | 425.81   | 217.38 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 184.10          | 182.17   | 200.40      | 268.00          | 241.52            | 393.51   | 205.12 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 166.49          | 163.08   | 190.97      | 233.80          | 202.53            | 356.34   | 184.33 |

\* See footnote to previous table in this Appendix.

**Table 88—Total Payments to or for the States and State Governments' Loan Council Programs—Dissection between Grants and Loans, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|  | New South Wales | Victoria  | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total      |
|--|-----------------|-----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|------------|
| <b>COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENT PAYMENTS—GRANTS</b>                                     |                 |           |            |                 |                   |          |            |
| 1975-76  | 2 252 570       | 1 742 758 | 1 132 545  | 764 152         | 763 204           | 328 927  | 6 984 155  |
| 1976-77  | 2 457 201       | 1 883 417 | 1 288 677  | 833 600         | 843 659           | 340 946  | 7 647 501  |
| 1977-78  | 2 814 145       | 2 125 064 | 1 468 571  | 960 370         | 972 808           | 383 314  | 8 724 272  |
| 1978-79  | 3 018 157       | 2 281 484 | 1 559 318  | 1 013 475       | 1 051 512         | 407 856  | 9 331 802  |
| 1979-80 (estimate)   | 3 366 153       | 2 525 000 | 1 701 834  | 1 121 740       | 1 163 156         | 456 318  | 10 334 101 |
| <b>COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENT PAYMENTS—LOANS (GROSS)</b>                              |                 |           |            |                 |                   |          |            |
| 1975-76  | 240 726         | 183 070   | 105 052    | 98 716          | 55 696            | 26 752   | 710 011    |
| 1976-77  | 195 185         | 149 210   | 89 547     | 81 229          | 53 702            | 26 690   | 595 563    |
| 1977-78  | 165 564         | 128 404   | 64 781     | 94 857          | 61 777            | 28 815   | 544 198    |
| 1978-79  | 141 756         | 103 517   | 48 214     | 67 477          | 48 575            | 22 515   | 432 054    |
| 1979-80 (estimate)   | 88 174          | 60 601    | 48 983     | 35 644          | 21 076            | 12 607   | 267 085    |
| <b>TOTAL COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENT LOANS AND LOAN COUNCIL BORROWINGS (GROSS) (a)</b> |                 |           |            |                 |                   |          |            |
| 1975-76  | 514 840         | 400 814   | 219 971    | 211 666         | 135 893           | 87 495   | 1 570 678  |
| 1976-77  | 483 100         | 377 916   | 210 252    | 199 866         | 137 937           | 90 492   | 1 499 563  |
| 1977-78  | 474 542         | 368 546   | 191 521    | 219 426         | 150 223           | 95 807   | 1 500 065  |
| 1978-79  | 450 734         | 343 659   | 174 954    | 192 046         | 137 021           | 89 507   | 1 387 921  |
| 1979-80 (estimate)   | 356 467         | 269 122   | 159 034    | 143 809         | 97 875            | 70 778   | 1 097 086  |

(a) Figures on a net basis are given in Appendix IV, Table 110.

**Table 89—Total Payments to or for the States and State Governments' Loan Council Programs—Dissection between Grants and Loans, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ Per Head of Population\*)**

|  | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total  |
|--|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|--------|
| <b>COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENT PAYMENTS—GRANTS</b>                                 |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |        |
| 1975-76  | 459.88          | 466.90   | 539.67     | 608.16          | 658.96            | 809.77   | 515.42 |
| 1976-77  | 498.06          | 500.32   | 607.06     | 657.00          | 712.97            | 833.41   | 558.95 |
| 1977-78  | 564.89          | 559.12   | 682.07     | 748.01          | 803.44            | 930.15   | 630.26 |
| 1978-79  | 598.20          | 594.51   | 716.10     | 785.21          | 852.60            | 981.84   | 666.56 |
| 1979-80 (estimate)   | 658.26          | 650.92   | 774.58     | 865.14          | 926.30            | 1 089.07 | 729.75 |
| <b>COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENT PAYMENTS—LOANS (GROSS)</b>                          |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |        |
| 1975-76  | 49.15           | 49.05    | 50.06      | 78.56           | 48.09             | 65.86    | 52.40  |
| 1976-77  | 39.56           | 39.64    | 42.18      | 64.02           | 45.38             | 65.24    | 43.53  |
| 1977-78  | 33.23           | 33.78    | 30.09      | 73.88           | 51.02             | 69.92    | 39.31  |
| 1978-79  | 28.10           | 26.97    | 22.14      | 52.28           | 39.39             | 54.20    | 30.86  |
| 1979-80 (estimate)   | 17.24           | 15.62    | 22.29      | 27.49           | 16.78             | 30.09    | 18.86  |
| <b>TOTAL COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENT LOANS AND LOAN COUNCIL BORROWINGS (GROSS)</b> |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |        |
| 1975-76  | 105.11          | 107.38   | 104.82     | 168.46          | 117.33            | 215.40   | 115.91 |
| 1976-77  | 97.92           | 100.39   | 99.04      | 157.52          | 116.57            | 221.20   | 109.60 |
| 1977-78  | 95.26           | 96.97    | 88.95      | 170.91          | 124.07            | 232.48   | 108.37 |
| 1978-79  | 89.34           | 89.55    | 80.35      | 148.79          | 111.10            | 215.47   | 99.14  |
| 1979-80 (estimate)   | 69.71           | 69.38    | 72.38      | 110.91          | 77.94             | 168.92   | 77.47  |

\* See footnotes to previous tables in this Appendix.



## APPENDIX II—TABLES OF GENERAL PURPOSE CAPITAL FUNDS

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Table 90—General Purpose Capital Funds for State Governments, 1975-76 to 1979-80(a)  
(\$ thousands)

|   | New<br>South<br>Wales | Victoria | Queens-<br>land | South<br>Australia | Western<br>Australia | Tasmania | Total     |
|---|-----------------------|----------|-----------------|--------------------|----------------------|----------|-----------|
| <b>APPROVED LOAN COUNCIL BORROWING PROGRAMS</b> |                       |          |                 |                    |                      |          |           |
| 1975-76 . . . . .                               | 274 114               | 217 744  | 114 919         | 112 950            | 80 197               | 60 743   | 860 667   |
| 1976-77 . . . . .                               | 287 915               | 228 706  | 120 705         | 118 637            | 84 235               | 63 802   | 904 000   |
| 1977-78 . . . . .                               | 308 978               | 240 142  | 126 740         | 124 569            | 88 446               | 66 992   | 955 867   |
| 1978-79 . . . . .                               | 308 978               | 240 142  | 126 740         | 124 569            | 88 446               | 66 992   | 955 867   |
| 1979-80(b) . . . . .                            | 268 293               | 208 521  | 110 051         | 108 165            | 76 799               | 58 171   | 830 000   |
| <b>CAPITAL GRANTS</b>                           |                       |          |                 |                    |                      |          |           |
| 1975-76 . . . . .                               | 137 057               | 108 871  | 57 459          | 56 475             | 40 099               | 30 372   | 430 333   |
| 1976-77 . . . . .                               | 143 958               | 114 354  | 60 352          | 59 318             | 42 117               | 31 901   | 452 000   |
| 1977-78(c) . . . . .                            | 154 489               | 120 071  | 63 370          | 62 284             | 44 220               | 33 496   | 477 930   |
| 1978-79(c) . . . . .                            | 154 489               | 120 071  | 63 370          | 62 284             | 44 226               | 33 496   | 477 936   |
| 1979-80(b) . . . . .                            | 134 146               | 104 260  | 55 026          | 54 083             | 38 400               | 29 085   | 415 000   |
| <b>TOTAL GENERAL PURPOSE CAPITAL FUNDS</b>      |                       |          |                 |                    |                      |          |           |
| 1975-76 . . . . .                               | 411 171               | 326 615  | 172 378         | 169 425            | 120 296              | 91 115   | 1 291 000 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .                               | 431 873               | 343 060  | 181 057         | 177 955            | 126 352              | 95 703   | 1 356 000 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .                               | 463 467               | 360 213  | 190 110         | 186 853            | 132 666              | 100 488  | 1 433 797 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .                               | 463 467               | 360 213  | 190 110         | 186 853            | 132 672              | 100 488  | 1 433 803 |
| 1979-80(b) . . . . .                            | 402 439               | 312 781  | 165 077         | 162 248            | 115 199              | 87 256   | 1 245 000 |

(a) For an explanation of the amounts shown in this table, see Chapter III, particularly under the heading 'Treatment of Loan Council Programs in This and Other Budget Documents'.

(b) Amounts approved at the June 1979 meeting of the Loan Council.

(c) Western Australia was short paid \$3 000 in 1977-78 which was adjusted in 1978-79.

**Table 91—Semi-Government and Local Authority Borrowings, 1975-76 to 1979-80**  
(\$ thousands)

|  | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total States | Commonwealth Government | Total     |
|--|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|--------------|-------------------------|-----------|
| <b>BORROWINGS BY LARGER AUTHORITIES(a)</b>                     |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |              |                         |           |
| 1975-76  | 303 720         | 256 692  | 149 769    | 38 120          | 38 264            | 23 107   | 809 672      | 74 597                  | 884 269   |
| 1976-77  | 360 108         | 304 347  | 177 575    | 45 200          | 45 369            | 27 397   | 959 996      | 423 544                 | 1 383 540 |
| 1977-78  | 443 127         | 357 612  | 239 651    | 52 860          | 69 309            | 32 191   | 1 194 750    | 260 697                 | 1 455 447 |
| 1978-79  | 471 996         | 382 645  | 244 256    | 56 828          | 104 656           | 34 444   | 1 294 825    | 288 957                 | 1 583 782 |
| 1979-80(b)   | 472 761         | 382 657  | 246 264    | 56 830          | 108 692           | 34 445   | 1 301 649    | 311 388                 | 1 613 037 |
| <b>INFRASTRUCTURE BORROWINGS BY LARGER AUTHORITIES</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |              |                         |           |
| 1978-79  | 79 000          | 45 000   | ..         | ..              | ..                | 25 000   | 149 000      | ..                      | 149 000   |
| 1979-80(est.)(b)   | 116 000         | 113 800  | 128 000    | ..              | 19 400            | 23 500   | 400 700      | ..                      | 400 700   |
| <b>BORROWINGS BY SMALLER AUTHORITIES(a)</b>                    |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |              |                         |           |
| 1975-76  | 65 439          | 63 281   | 54 739     | 18 201          | 33 890            | 9 116    | 244 666      | ..                      | 244 666   |
| 1976-77  | 85 707          | 88 263   | 66 060     | 26 574          | 41 030            | 11 088   | 318 722      | 150                     | 318 872   |
| 1977-78  | 91 318          | 115 501  | 77 063     | 39 784          | 45 861            | 15 985   | 385 512      | ..                      | 385 512   |
| 1978-79  | 115 445         | 111 906  | 77 179     | 51 746          | 45 711            | 17 536   | 419 523      | 853                     | 420 376   |
| 1979-80<br>(est.)(c)   | 129 100         | 137 000  | 117 784    | 59 000          | 74 233            | 20 570   | 537 687      | 3 850                   | 541 537   |
| <b>BORROWINGS BY ALL SEMI-GOVERNMENT AND LOCAL AUTHORITIES</b> |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |              |                         |           |
| 1975-76  | 369 159         | 319 973  | 204 508    | 56 321          | 72 154            | 32 223   | 1 054 338    | 74 597                  | 1 128 935 |
| 1976-77  | 445 815         | 392 610  | 243 635    | 71 774          | 86 399            | 38 485   | 1 278 718    | 423 694                 | 1 702 412 |
| 1977-78  | 534 445         | 473 113  | 316 714    | 92 644          | 115 170           | 48 176   | 1 580 262    | 260 697                 | 1 840 959 |
| 1978-79  | 666 441         | 539 551  | 321 435    | 108 574         | 150 367           | 76 980   | 1 863 348    | 289 810                 | 2 153 158 |
| 1979-80<br>(est.)(c)   | 717 861         | 633 457  | 492 048    | 115 830         | 202 325           | 78 515   | 2 240 036    | 315 238                 | 2 555 274 |

(a) See Chapter III under the heading 'Borrowing Programs for State Authorities'. Borrowings by larger authorities exclude special additions under the infrastructure financing program.

(b) Borrowing programs approved by the Loan Council in June 1979.

(c) Tentative estimates by State Treasuries.

**Table 92—Semi-Government and Local Authority Borrowings, 1975-76 to 1979-80, per head of population(a)**

|  | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total  |
|--|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|--------|
|  | \$              | \$       | \$         | \$              | \$                | \$       | \$     |
| <b>BORROWINGS BY LARGER AUTHORITIES</b>                        |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |        |
| 1975-76  | 62.01           | 68.77    | 71.37      | 30.34           | 33.04             | 56.89    | 59.75  |
| 1976-77  | 72.99           | 80.85    | 83.65      | 35.62           | 38.34             | 66.97    | 70.17  |
| 1977-78  | 90.59           | 94.09    | 111.31     | 41.17           | 57.24             | 78.11    | 86.31  |
| 1978-79  | 93.55           | 99.71    | 112.17     | 44.03           | 84.86             | 82.92    | 92.49  |
| 1979-80 (estimate)   | 92.45           | 98.65    | 112.09     | 43.83           | 86.56             | 82.21    | 91.92  |
| <b>INFRASTRUCTURE BORROWINGS BY LARGER AUTHORITIES</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |        |
| 1978-79  | 15.66           | 11.73    | ..         | ..              | ..                | 60.18    | 10.64  |
| 1979-80 (estimate)   | 22.68           | 29.34    | 58.26      | ..              | 15.45             | 56.09    | 28.30  |
| <b>BORROWINGS BY SMALLER AUTHORITIES</b>                       |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |        |
| 1975-76  | 13.36           | 16.95    | 26.08      | 14.49           | 29.26             | 22.44    | 18.06  |
| 1976-77  | 17.37           | 23.45    | 31.12      | 20.94           | 34.67             | 27.10    | 23.30  |
| 1977-78  | 18.67           | 30.39    | 35.79      | 30.99           | 37.88             | 38.79    | 27.85  |
| 1978-79  | 22.88           | 29.16    | 35.44      | 40.09           | 37.06             | 42.21    | 29.97  |
| 1979-80 (estimate)   | 25.25           | 35.32    | 53.61      | 45.50           | 59.12             | 49.09    | 37.97  |
| <b>BORROWINGS BY ALL SEMI-GOVERNMENT AND LOCAL AUTHORITIES</b> |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |        |
| 1975-76  | 75.37           | 85.72    | 97.45      | 44.82           | 62.30             | 79.33    | 77.81  |
| 1976-77  | 90.36           | 104.30   | 114.77     | 56.57           | 73.02             | 94.07    | 93.46  |
| 1977-78  | 107.28          | 124.48   | 147.10     | 72.16           | 95.12             | 116.90   | 114.16 |
| 1978-79  | 132.09          | 140.60   | 147.62     | 84.12           | 121.92            | 185.32   | 133.10 |
| 1979-80 (estimate)   | 140.38          | 163.30   | 223.95     | 89.33           | 161.13            | 187.39   | 158.18 |

(a) See footnotes to Table 91.

**Table 93—General Purpose Capital Funds for State Governments and State Semi-Government and Local Authority Borrowings, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|   | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total     |
|---|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|-----------|
| <b>GENERAL PURPOSE CAPITAL FUNDS FOR STATE GOVERNMENTS(a)</b>   |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |           |
| 1975-76   | 411 171         | 326 615  | 172 378    | 169 425         | 120 296           | 91 115   | 1 291 000 |
| 1976-77   | 431 873         | 343 060  | 181 057    | 177 955         | 126 352           | 95 703   | 1 356 000 |
| 1977-78   | 463 467         | 360 213  | 190 110    | 186 853         | 132 666           | 100 488  | 1 433 797 |
| 1978-79   | 463 467         | 360 213  | 190 110    | 186 853         | 132 672           | 100 488  | 1 433 803 |
| 1979-80   | 402 439         | 312 781  | 165 077    | 162 248         | 115 199           | 87 256   | 1 245 000 |
| <b>BORROWINGS BY STATE SEMI-GOVERNMENT AND LOCAL AUTHORITIES(b)</b>   |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |           |
| 1975-76   | 369 159         | 319 973  | 204 508    | 56 321          | 72 154            | 32 223   | 1 054 338 |
| 1976-77   | 445 815         | 392 610  | 243 635    | 71 774          | 86 399            | 38 485   | 1 278 718 |
| 1977-78   | 534 445         | 473 113  | 316 714    | 92 644          | 115 170           | 48 176   | 1 580 262 |
| 1978-79   | 666 441         | 539 551  | 321 435    | 108 574         | 150 367           | 76 980   | 1 863 348 |
| 1979-80 (estimate)  | 717 861         | 633 457  | 492 048    | 115 830         | 202 325           | 78 515   | 2 240 036 |
| <b>TOTAL GENERAL PURPOSE CAPITAL FUNDS FOR STATE GOVERNMENTS AND STATE SEMI-GOVERNMENT AND LOCAL AUTHORITIES BORROWINGS</b> |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |           |
| 1975-76   | 780 330         | 646 588  | 376 886    | 225 746         | 192 450           | 123 338  | 2 345 338 |
| 1976-77   | 877 688         | 735 670  | 424 692    | 249 729         | 212 751           | 134 188  | 2 634 718 |
| 1977-78   | 997 912         | 833 326  | 506 824    | 279 497         | 247 836           | 148 664  | 3 014 059 |
| 1978-79   | 1 129 908       | 899 764  | 511 545    | 295 427         | 283 039           | 177 468  | 3 297 151 |
| 1979-80 (estimate)  | 1 120 300       | 946 238  | 657 125    | 278 078         | 317 524           | 165 771  | 3 485 036 |

(a) See footnotes to Table 90.

(b) See footnotes to Table 91.

**Table 94—General Purpose Capital Funds for State Governments and State Semi-Government and Local Authority Borrowings, per head of population, 1975-76 to 1979-80**

|   | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total  |
|---|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|--------|
|   | \$              | \$       | \$         | \$              | \$                | \$       | \$     |
| <b>GENERAL PURPOSE CAPITAL FUNDS FOR STATE GOVERNMENTS</b>  |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |        |
| 1975-76   | 83.94           | 87.50    | 82.14      | 134.84          | 103.86            | 224.31   | 95.27  |
| 1976-77   | 87.54           | 91.13    | 85.29      | 140.25          | 106.78            | 233.94   | 99.11  |
| 1977-78   | 93.03           | 94.78    | 88.30      | 145.54          | 109.57            | 243.84   | 103.58 |
| 1978-79   | 91.86           | 93.86    | 87.31      | 144.77          | 107.57            | 241.91   | 102.42 |
| 1979-80 (estimate)  | 78.70           | 80.63    | 75.13      | 125.13          | 91.74             | 208.25   | 87.92  |
| <b>BORROWINGS BY STATE SEMI-GOVERNMENT AND LOCAL AUTHORITIES</b>  |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |        |
| 1975-76   | 75.37           | 85.72    | 97.45      | 44.82           | 62.30             | 79.33    | 77.81  |
| 1976-77   | 90.36           | 104.30   | 114.77     | 56.57           | 73.02             | 94.07    | 93.46  |
| 1977-78   | 107.28          | 124.48   | 147.10     | 72.16           | 95.12             | 116.90   | 114.16 |
| 1978-79   | 132.09          | 140.60   | 147.62     | 84.12           | 121.92            | 185.32   | 133.10 |
| 1979-80 (estimate)  | 140.38          | 163.30   | 223.95     | 89.33           | 161.13            | 187.39   | 158.18 |
| <b>TOTAL GENERAL PURPOSE CAPITAL FUNDS FOR STATE GOVERNMENTS AND STATE SEMI-GOVERNMENT AND LOCAL AUTHORITIES BORROWINGS</b> |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |        |
| 1975-76   | 159.31          | 173.23   | 179.59     | 179.66          | 166.16            | 303.64   | 173.08 |
| 1976-77   | 177.90          | 195.43   | 200.06     | 196.82          | 179.79            | 328.01   | 192.57 |
| 1977-78   | 200.31          | 219.26   | 235.39     | 217.69          | 204.69            | 360.75   | 217.74 |
| 1978-79   | 223.95          | 234.46   | 234.92     | 228.89          | 229.50            | 427.22   | 235.51 |
| 1979-80 (estimate)  | 219.08          | 243.93   | 299.09     | 214.47          | 252.87            | 395.63   | 246.10 |



**Table 95—Borrowings by Local Government Authorities(a), 1975-76 to 1979-80**  
(\$ thousands)

|                          | New South Wales(b) | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Six State Total | Northern Territory | Total   |
|--------------------------|--------------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|-----------------|--------------------|---------|
| 'LARGER' AUTHORITIES(c)  |                    |          |            |                 |                   |          |                 |                    |         |
| 1975-76                  | 104 220            | 21 835   | 76 169     | 5 300           | 5 175             | 8 007    | 220 706         | 597                | 221 303 |
| 1976-77                  | 121 108            | 14 630   | 85 389     | 4 300           | 6 050             | 10 085   | 241 562         | 1 194              | 242 756 |
| 1977-78                  | 130 127            | 13 920   | 81 253     | 4 750           | 7 450             | 8 148    | 245 648         | 1 697              | 247 345 |
| 1978-79                  | 133 046            | 15 295   | 90 252     | 4 300           | 7 815             | 9 571    | 260 279         | ..                 | 260 279 |
| 1979-80<br>(est.)(d)     | 133 000            | 11 100   | 101 170    | 4 300           | 8 700             | 9 113    | 267 383         | ..                 | 267 383 |
| 'SMALLER' AUTHORITIES(e) |                    |          |            |                 |                   |          |                 |                    |         |
| 1975-76                  | 59 627             | 41 208   | 25 928     | 11 531          | 22 670            | 6 496    | 167 460         | ..                 | 167 460 |
| 1976-77                  | 70 824             | 51 263   | 30 729     | 17 374          | 26 330            | 6 968    | 203 488         | ..                 | 203 488 |
| 1977-78                  | 72 103             | 70 573   | 36 740     | 14 674          | 29 031            | 9 257    | 232 378         | ..                 | 232 378 |
| 1978-79                  | 82 595             | 66 500   | 36 457     | 20 321          | 31 471            | 8 270    | 245 614         | 631                | 246 245 |
| 1979-80<br>(est.)(d)     | 100 000            | 85 000   | 58 331     | 28 000          | 56 727            | 9 750    | 337 808         | 1 890              | 339 698 |
| TOTAL                    |                    |          |            |                 |                   |          |                 |                    |         |
| 1975-76                  | 163 847            | 63 043   | 102 097    | 16 831          | 27 845            | 14 503   | 388 166         | 597                | 388 763 |
| 1976-77                  | 191 932            | 65 893   | 116 118    | 21 674          | 32 380            | 17 053   | 445 050         | 1 194              | 446 244 |
| 1977-78                  | 202 230            | 84 493   | 117 993    | 19 424          | 36 481            | 17 405   | 478 026         | 1 697              | 479 723 |
| 1978-79                  | 215 641            | 81 795   | 126 709    | 24 621          | 39 286            | 17 841   | 505 893         | 631                | 506 524 |
| 1979-80<br>(est.)(d)     | 233 000            | 96 100   | 159 501    | 32 300          | 65 427            | 18 863   | 605 191         | 1 890              | 607 081 |

(a) For the interpretation of the figures shown in this table, see Chapter VI, under the heading 'Borrowing Arrangements for Local Government Authorities'.

(b) Includes County Councils.

(c) That is, borrowings by local government authorities from within the totals approved for larger authorities. See footnote (a) to Table 62.

(d) State estimates supplied by State Treasuries; tentative only.

(e) That is, borrowings by local government within the smaller authorities category. See footnote (b) to Table 62.

**Table 96—Summary of the Financing of State Government Loan Council Programs, 1974-75 to 1978-79(a)**

|                   | Amounts Met from<br>Public Loan<br>Raisings and<br>Overseas Borrowings |           |                                    | Amounts Met from<br>Consolidated Revenue Fund |   |         |                                    |
|-------------------|--|-----------|------------------------------------|---|---|---------|------------------------------------|
|                   | Total<br>Programs  | Amount    | Percentage<br>of Total<br>Programs | Special<br>Loans                              | Capital<br>Grants Met<br>Direct from<br>Consolidated<br>Revenue<br>Fund | Total   |                                    |
|                   |  |           |                                    |   |   | Amount  | Percentage<br>of Total<br>Programs |
|                   | \$'000   | \$'000    | per cent                           | \$'000  | \$'000  | \$'000  | per cent                           |
| 1974-75 . . . . . | (b)1 087 419   | 793 190   | 73                                 | 274 969                                       | 19 260  | 294 229 | 27                                 |
| 1975-76 . . . . . | (b)1 291 000   | 1 291 000 | 100                                | ..  | ..  | ..      | ..                                 |
| 1976-77 . . . . . | (b)1 356 000   | 1 356 000 | 100                                | ..  | ..  | ..      | ..                                 |
| 1977-78 . . . . . | (b)1 433 797(c)  | 1 228 934 | 86                                 | 204 863                                       | ..  | 204 863 | 14                                 |
| 1978-79 . . . . . | (b)1 433 803(c)  | 1 195 850 | 83                                 | 237 950                                       | (c)3  | 237 950 | 17                                 |

(a) For further details of the financing of State Government Loan Council programs, including the derivation of the amounts shown above for those years, *see* following table.

(b) Includes capital grants of \$345 878 000 in 1974-75, \$430 333 000 in 1975-76, \$452 000 000 in 1976-77 and \$477 933 000 in 1977-78 and 1978-79.

(c) Western Australia was underpaid \$3 000 in 1977-78 and this was adjusted with a payment from Consolidated Revenue Fund in 1978-79.

**Table 97—Details of the Financing of State Government Loan Council Programs, 1974-75 to 1978-79 (a) (\$ thousands)**

|  | 1974-75    | 1975-76      | 1976-77      | 1977-78      | 1978-79         |
|--|------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-----------------|
| <b>SPECIAL LOANS APPLIED TO BORROWING PROGRAMS AND HOUSING ADVANCES</b>            |            |              |              |              |                 |
| Commonwealth Government Subscription to Special Loans . . . . .                    | 477 000    | ..           | ..           | 204 863      | 237 950         |
| <i>Less</i> —Amounts used by Commonwealth Government—                              |            |              |              |              |                 |
| for advances for welfare housing   | (b)130 365 | ..           | ..           | ..           | ..              |
| for War Service Land Settlement and other purposes . . . . .                       | 416        | ..           | ..           | ..           | ..              |
| for redemptions . . . . .  | 71 250     | ..           | ..           | ..           | ..              |
| (A) . . . . .  | 274 969    | ..           | ..           | 204 863      | 237 950         |
| <b>LOAN RAISINGS APPLIED TO BORROWING PROGRAMS AND HOUSING ADVANCES</b>            |            |              |              |              |                 |
| Public Loans raised in Australia—  |            |              |              |              |                 |
| Cash loans . . . . .   | 577 934    | 1 676 610    | 1 580 967    | 610 815      | 780 539         |
| Special Bonds/Savings Bonds . . . . .  | 343 041    | 1 362 443    | 736 240      | 719 631      | 531 182         |
| State Domestic Raisings . . . . .  | 21 093     | 5 918        | 35 365       | 57 898       | 35 816          |
| Overseas Loans applied direct to Borrowing Programs and Housing Advances . . . . . | 42 278     | 197 476      | 437 718      | 1 737 835    | 1 540 053       |
| Total Loan Raisings . . . . .  | 984 346    | 3 242 447    | 2 790 290    | 3 126 179    | 2 887 590       |
| <i>Less</i> Amounts Used—  |            |              |              |              |                 |
| for redemptions . . . . .  | 414 448    | (d)1 251 280 | (e)1 057 487 | (f)704 098   | (i)420 364      |
| by Commonwealth Government (War Service Land Settlement, Other) . . . . .          | 2 593      | 335 567      | 1 804        | 686 548      | 749 894         |
| for capital grant for works program . . . . .                                      | ..         | 430 333      | 452 000      | (g)477 930   | 477 933         |
| for advances for welfare housing   | (b)168 833 | 364 600      | 375 000      | 390 000      | 316 000         |
| <i>Less</i> —Amounts carried forward . . . . .                                     | (c)—68 100 | ..           | ..           | (h)116 599   | (h) (j) 205 482 |
| (B) . . . . .  | 466 572    | 860 667      | 904 000      | 751 004      | 717 917         |
| <b>CAPITAL GRANTS</b>  |            |              |              |              |                 |
| Capital Grants—  |            |              |              |              |                 |
| Financed from proceeds of Treasury Note issue . . . . .                            | 326 618    | ..           | ..           | ..           | ..              |
| Financed from other loan proceeds . . . . .  | ..         | 430 333      | 452 000      | (g)477 930   | 477 933         |
| Financed direct from Consolidated Revenue Fund . . . . .                           | 19 260     | ..           | ..           | ..           | (g)3            |
| (C) . . . . .  | 345 878    | 430 333      | 452 000      | (g)477 930   | (g)477 936      |
| <b>TOTAL PROGRAMS</b>  |            |              |              |              |                 |
| TOTAL PROGRAMS (A+B+C) . . . . .   | 1 087 419  | 1 291 000    | 1 356 000    | (g)1 433 797 | (g)1 433 803    |

(a) See Chapter III under heading 'Financing of State Borrowing Programs and the Capital Grants' for an outline of the arrangements for financing the States' Loan Council program.

(b) Advances for welfare housing also financed from proceeds of Treasury Note issue (\$10 802 000) and direct from Consolidated Revenue Fund (\$75 400 000).

(c) Proceeds of cash loan (\$68 100 000) held in Loan Fund to finance the approved Loan Council borrowing program for 1974-75.

(d) Includes \$965 267 000 cash proceeds applied to the redemption of Treasury Notes.

(e) Includes \$720 320 000 cash proceeds applied to the redemption of Treasury Bills.

(f) Includes \$503 806 000 cash proceeds applied to the redemption of Treasury Notes and Treasury Bills.

(g) Western Australia was underpaid by \$3 000 in 1977-78 and this was adjusted in 1978-79.

(h) Proceeds of overseas loan held in Loan Fund to finance the approved Loan Council borrowing program 1978-79.

(i) Includes \$414 005 000 cash proceeds applied to the redemption of Treasury Bills.

(j) Proceeds of overseas cash loan (\$322 081 000) held in Loan Fund to finance the approved Loan Council borrowing program 1979-80.

### APPENDIX III—TABLES OF SPECIFIC PURPOSE PAYMENTS

TABLE NO.

SUBJECT

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|-----|---|
| 98  | Schools, Grants for, 1975-76 to 1979-80.  |
| 99  | Aboriginal Advancement, Payments for, by Function, 1975-76 to 1979-80.          |
| 100 | Natural Disasters, Payments for by type of Disaster, 1975-76 to 1979-80.        |
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Table 98—Grants for Schools, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)

|                                      | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total   |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|---------|
| <b>GRANTS FOR RECURRENT PURPOSES</b> |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |         |
| <b>GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS</b>            |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |         |
| 1975-76 . . . . .                    | 71 860          | 51 855   | 24 355     | 17 985          | 14 179            | 6 429    | 186 663 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .                    | 83 674          | 69 450   | 26 761     | 21 628          | 17 768            | 6 486    | 225 767 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .                    | 91 721          | 71 107   | 24 708     | 23 478          | 17 551            | 6 916    | 235 481 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .                    | 92 925          | 71 856   | 28 208     | 23 449          | 18 834            | 7 274    | 242 544 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . .         | 93 863          | 73 854   | 30 168     | 24 567          | 20 841            | 7 596    | 250 889 |
| <b>NON-GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS</b>        |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |         |
| 1975-76 . . . . .                    | 45 808          | 42 175   | 19 161     | 7 085           | 7 335             | 2 068    | 123 633 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .                    | 59 799          | 58 590   | 25 695     | 10 972          | 13 133            | 3 477    | 171 666 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .                    | 70 164          | 59 674   | 30 198     | 12 415          | 14 989            | 3 942    | 191 382 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .                    | 79 172          | 73 130   | 34 127     | 13 918          | 16 669            | 4 845    | 221 862 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . .         | 87 461          | 80 182   | 37 356     | 15 402          | 18 503            | 5 293    | 244 197 |
| <b>JOINT PROGRAMS</b>                |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |         |
| 1975-76 . . . . .                    | 7 727           | 6 324    | 2 646      | 2 382           | 1 680             | 830      | 21 589  |
| 1976-77 . . . . .                    | 7 680           | 6 899    | 3 601      | 2 439           | 2 620             | 1 086    | 24 324  |
| 1977-78 . . . . .                    | 9 655           | 7 469    | 4 947      | 2 673           | 2 753             | 1 262    | 28 759  |
| 1978-79 . . . . .                    | 8 642           | 7 076    | 4 483      | 2 379           | 3 238             | 1 171    | 26 989  |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . .         | 8 418           | 6 531    | 4 226      | 2 806           | 2 931             | 1 003    | 25 913  |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |         |
| 1975-76 . . . . .                    | 125 395         | 100 354  | 46 162     | 27 452          | 23 194            | 9 327    | 331 885 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .                    | 151 153         | 134 939  | 56 058     | 35 038          | 33 520            | 11 049   | 421 758 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .                    | 171 540         | 138 250  | 59 853     | 38 566          | 35 293            | 12 120   | 455 622 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .                    | 180 739         | 152 062  | 66 818     | 39 746          | 38 741            | 13 290   | 491 395 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . .         | 189 742         | 160 567  | 71 750     | 42 775          | 42 275            | 13 891   | 521 000 |
| <b>GRANTS FOR CAPITAL PURPOSES</b>   |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |         |
| <b>GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS</b>            |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |         |
| 1975-76 . . . . .                    | 35 587          | 38 279   | 18 298     | 9 735           | 7 929             | 3 958    | 113 786 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .                    | 42 349          | 37 657   | 24 809     | 13 309          | 5 230             | 3 861    | 127 214 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .                    | 47 851          | 40 882   | 29 506     | 14 335          | 13 838            | 4 816    | 151 227 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .                    | 44 882          | 36 313   | 23 753     | 13 469          | 18 414            | 3 685    | 140 516 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . .         | 39 413          | 32 882   | 19 467     | 12 461          | 9 748             | 3 691    | 117 662 |
| <b>NON-GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS</b>        |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |         |
| 1975-76 . . . . .                    | 10 083          | 10 779   | 3 847      | 1 102           | 2 472             | 466      | 28 749  |
| 1976-77 . . . . .                    | 6 208           | 7 259    | 3 077      | 1 300           | 1 731             | 360      | 19 935  |
| 1977-78 . . . . .                    | 10 064          | 10 301   | 4 704      | 2 723           | 2 869             | 1 370    | 32 030  |
| 1978-79 . . . . .                    | 14 072          | 12 668   | 5 717      | 2 709           | 2 558             | 699      | 38 423  |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . .         | 13 487          | 10 757   | 5 009      | 1 257           | 2 229             | 284      | 33 023  |
| <b>JOINT PROGRAMS</b>                |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |         |
| 1975-76 . . . . .                    | 216             | 227      | 218        | 219             | 163               | 53       | 1 096   |
| 1976-77 . . . . .                    | 126             | 141      | 204        | 63              | 38                | 45       | 617     |
| 1977-78 . . . . .                    | 38              | 91       | 54         | 11              | 6                 | 1        | 201     |
| 1978-79 . . . . .                    | ..              | 12       | 5          | ..              | ..                | ..       | 17      |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . .         | ..              | ..       | ..         | ..              | ..                | ..       | ..      |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |         |
| 1975-76 . . . . .                    | 45 886          | 49 285   | 22 363     | 11 056          | 10 564            | 4 477    | 143 631 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .                    | 48 683          | 45 056   | 28 090     | 14 672          | 6 999             | 4 266    | 147 766 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .                    | 57 952          | 51 273   | 34 263     | 17 069          | 16 713            | 6 187    | 183 457 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .                    | 58 954          | 48 993   | 29 475     | 16 178          | 20 971            | 4 385    | 178 956 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . .         | 52 900          | 43 639   | 24 476     | 13 718          | 11 977            | 3 975    | 150 684 |

**Table 99—Payments for Aboriginal Advancement, by Function 1975-76 to 1979-80**  
(\$ thousands)

|                              | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total  |
|------------------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|--------|
| <b>EDUCATION</b>             |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |        |
| <b>RECURRENT PAYMENTS</b>    |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |        |
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 904             | 212      | 866        | 990             | 1 979             | 27       | 4 973  |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 931             | 576      | 836        | 1 151           | 2 035             | 32       | 5 561  |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 1 013           | 634      | 858        | 1 479           | 2 184             | 36       | 6 204  |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 1 154           | 641      | 913        | 1 654           | 2 727             | 28       | 7 116  |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 1 290           | 963      | 975        | 1 908           | 2 986             | 29       | 8 150  |
| <b>CAPITAL PAYMENTS</b>      |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |        |
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 505             | 87       | 971        | 377             | 25                | 1        | 1 966  |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 1               | ..       | 8          | 233             | 119               | ..       | 360    |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | ..              | ..       | 84         | 50              | 61                | ..       | 195    |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | ..              | ..       | 57         | 149             | 159               | ..       | 364    |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | ..              | ..       | 41         | 28              | 23                | ..       | 92     |
| <b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>        |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |        |
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 1 409           | 299      | 1 837      | 1 367           | 2 004             | 28       | 6 944  |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 932             | 576      | 844        | 1 384           | 2 154             | 32       | 5 921  |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 1 013           | 634      | 942        | 1 529           | 2 245             | 36       | 6 399  |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 1 154           | 641      | 970        | 1 803           | 2 886             | 28       | 7 481  |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 1 290           | 963      | 1 016      | 1 936           | 3 009             | 29       | 8 242  |
| <b>HEALTH</b>                |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |        |
| <b>RECURRENT PAYMENTS</b>    |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |        |
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 1 538           | 220      | 1 746      | 880             | 5 187             | 14       | 9 584  |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 1 480           | 354      | 2 243      | 1 054           | 4 889             | 16       | 10 036 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 1 642           | 348      | 2 393      | 1 185           | 5 380             | 16       | 10 963 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 1 579           | 325      | 2 774      | 1 290           | 5 258             | 16       | 11 241 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 1 767           | 392      | 3 313      | 1 370           | 5 650             | 23       | 12 514 |
| <b>CAPITAL PAYMENTS</b>      |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |        |
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 160             | 22       | 1 847      | 250             | 2 181             | 5        | 4 465  |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 315             | 49       | 530        | 147             | 704               | ..       | 1 745  |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 64              | ..       | 526        | 59              | 755               | ..       | 1 404  |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 35              | 7        | 194        | 51              | 1 076             | ..       | 1 362  |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 29              | ..       | 243        | 30              | 612               | ..       | 914    |
| <b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>        |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |        |
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 1 698           | 242      | 3 593      | 1 130           | 7 368             | 19       | 14 049 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 1 795           | 403      | 2 773      | 1 201           | 5 593             | 16       | 11 781 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 1 706           | 348      | 2 918      | 1 244           | 6 135             | 16       | 12 367 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 1 614           | 332      | 2 967      | 1 340           | 6 334             | 16       | 12 602 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 1 795           | 392      | 3 556      | 1 400           | 6 262             | 23       | 13 428 |

Table 99—Payments for Aboriginal Advancement, by Function 1975-76 to 1979-80  
(\$ thousands)—continued

|                                    | New<br>South<br>Wales | Victoria | Queens-<br>land | South<br>Australia | Western<br>Australia | Tasmania | Total  |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------|-----------------|--------------------|----------------------|----------|--------|
| <b>SOCIAL SECURITY AND WELFARE</b> |                       |          |                 |                    |                      |          |        |
| <b>RECURRENT PAYMENTS</b>          |                       |          |                 |                    |                      |          |        |
| 1975-76 . . . . .                  | 314                   | 444      | 340             | 295                | 868                  | 9        | 2 270  |
| 1976-77 . . . . .                  | 262                   | 324      | 235             | 295                | 778                  | 11       | 1 905  |
| 1977-78 . . . . .                  | 359                   | 427      | 230             | 346                | 1 000                | 15       | 2 378  |
| 1978-79 . . . . .                  | 249                   | 366      | 230             | 421                | 595                  | ..       | 1 860  |
| 1979-80 (estimate)(a) . . . . .    | 132                   | 145      | 310             | 535                | 734                  | ..       | 1 857  |
| <b>CAPITAL PAYMENTS</b>            |                       |          |                 |                    |                      |          |        |
| 1975-76 . . . . .                  | 38                    | ..       | 132             | ..                 | 184                  | ..       | 353    |
| 1976-77 . . . . .                  | ..                    | ..       | ..              | ..                 | 4                    | ..       | 4      |
| 1977-78 . . . . .                  | ..                    | ..       | ..              | ..                 | 98                   | ..       | 98     |
| 1978-79 . . . . .                  | ..                    | ..       | ..              | 28                 | 52                   | ..       | 80     |
| 1979-80 (estimate)(a) . . . . .    | 42                    | ..       | ..              | 43                 | 39                   | ..       | 123    |
| <b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>              |                       |          |                 |                    |                      |          |        |
| 1975-76 . . . . .                  | 352                   | 444      | 472             | 295                | 1 052                | 9        | 2 623  |
| 1976-77 . . . . .                  | 262                   | 324      | 235             | 295                | 782                  | 11       | 1 909  |
| 1977-78 . . . . .                  | 359                   | 427      | 230             | 346                | 1 098                | 15       | 2 476  |
| 1978-79 . . . . .                  | 249                   | 366      | 230             | 449                | 647                  | ..       | 1 941  |
| 1979-80 (estimate)(a) . . . . .    | 174                   | 145      | 310             | 578                | 773                  | ..       | 1 980  |
| <b>HOUSING</b>                     |                       |          |                 |                    |                      |          |        |
| <b>RECURRENT PAYMENTS</b>          |                       |          |                 |                    |                      |          |        |
| 1975-76 . . . . .                  | ..                    | ..       | ..              | ..                 | ..                   | 12       | 12     |
| 1976-77 . . . . .                  | ..                    | ..       | ..              | 15                 | ..                   | 12       | 27     |
| 1977-78 . . . . .                  | ..                    | ..       | ..              | 15                 | ..                   | ..       | 15     |
| 1978-79 . . . . .                  | ..                    | ..       | ..              | 40                 | ..                   | ..       | 40     |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . .       | ..                    | 105      | ..              | 179                | 323                  | ..       | 607    |
| <b>CAPITAL PAYMENTS</b>            |                       |          |                 |                    |                      |          |        |
| 1975-76 . . . . .                  | 4 616                 | 373      | 2 200           | 2 932              | 2 882                | 210      | 13 213 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .                  | 3 177                 | 633      | 1 925           | 2 959              | 3 938                | 187      | 12 821 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .                  | 2 590                 | 400      | 1 665           | 1 586              | 3 700                | 175      | 10 116 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .                  | 3 022                 | 230      | 1 650           | 1 954              | 4 120                | 115      | 11 091 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . .       | 3 361                 | 275      | 1 420           | 1 908              | 4 259                | 254      | 11 477 |
| <b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>              |                       |          |                 |                    |                      |          |        |
| 1975-76 . . . . .                  | 4 616                 | 373      | 2 200           | 2 932              | 2 882                | 222      | 13 225 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .                  | 3 177                 | 633      | 1 925           | 2 975              | 3 938                | 199      | 12 848 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .                  | 2 590                 | 400      | 1 665           | 1 600              | 3 700                | 175      | 10 130 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .                  | 3 022                 | 230      | 1 650           | 1 994              | 4 120                | 115      | 11 131 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . .       | 3 361                 | 380      | 1 420           | 2 087              | 4 582                | 254      | 12 084 |



Table 99—Payments for Aboriginal Advancement, by Function 1975-76 to 1979-80  
(\$ thousands)—continued

|  | New<br>South<br>Wales | Victoria | Queens-<br>land | South<br>Australia | Western<br>Australia | Tasmania | Total  |
|--|-----------------------|----------|-----------------|--------------------|----------------------|----------|--------|
| <b>URBAN AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT N.E.C. AND THE ENVIRONMENT</b> |                       |          |                 |                    |                      |          |        |
| <b>RECURRENT PAYMENTS</b>  |                       |          |                 |                    |                      |          |        |
| 1975-76 . . . . .  | 105                   | ..       | ..              | ..                 | ..                   | ..       | 105    |
| 1976-77 . . . . .  | 10                    | ..       | ..              | ..                 | ..                   | ..       | 10     |
| 1977-78 . . . . .  | ..                    | ..       | ..              | 21                 | ..                   | ..       | 21     |
| 1978-79 . . . . .  | ..                    | ..       | ..              | ..                 | ..                   | ..       | ..     |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . .                                     | ..                    | ..       | ..              | ..                 | 111                  | ..       | 111    |
| <b>CAPITAL PAYMENTS</b>  |                       |          |                 |                    |                      |          |        |
| 1975-76 . . . . .  | 3                     | ..       | 2 054           | ..                 | ..                   | ..       | 2 057  |
| 1976-77 . . . . .  | ..                    | ..       | 1 933           | ..                 | ..                   | ..       | 1 933  |
| 1977-78 . . . . .  | ..                    | ..       | 550             | 112                | ..                   | ..       | 662    |
| 1978-79 . . . . .  | ..                    | ..       | 635             | 110                | ..                   | ..       | 745    |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . .                                     | ..                    | ..       | ..              | 172                | 94                   | ..       | 266    |
| <b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>  |                       |          |                 |                    |                      |          |        |
| 1975-76 . . . . .  | 108                   | ..       | 2 054           | ..                 | ..                   | ..       | 2 162  |
| 1976-77 . . . . .  | 10                    | ..       | 1 933           | ..                 | ..                   | ..       | 1 943  |
| 1977-78 . . . . .  | ..                    | ..       | 550             | 133                | ..                   | ..       | 683    |
| 1978-79 . . . . .  | ..                    | ..       | 635             | 110                | ..                   | ..       | 745    |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . .                                     | ..                    | ..       | ..              | 172                | 205                  | ..       | 377    |
| <b>TOTAL—ALL FUNCTIONS</b>                                       |                       |          |                 |                    |                      |          |        |
| <b>RECURRENT PAYMENTS</b>  |                       |          |                 |                    |                      |          |        |
| 1975-76 . . . . .  | 2 861                 | 876      | 2 952           | 2 165              | 8 034                | 62       | 16 949 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .  | 2 683                 | 1 254    | 3 314           | 2 515              | 7 702                | 71       | 17 540 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .  | 3 014                 | 1 409    | 3 480           | 3 045              | 8 564                | 67       | 19 580 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .  | 2 982                 | 1 331    | 3 917           | 3 404              | 8 579                | 44       | 20 257 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . .                                     | 3 189                 | 1 605    | 4 598           | 3 992              | 9 804                | 52       | 23 239 |
| <b>CAPITAL PAYMENTS</b>  |                       |          |                 |                    |                      |          |        |
| 1975-76 . . . . .  | 5 322                 | 482      | 7 204           | 3 559              | 5 272                | 216      | 22 054 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .  | 3 493                 | 682      | 4 396           | 3 339              | 4 765                | 187      | 16 863 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .  | 2 654                 | 400      | 2 825           | 1 807              | 4 614                | 175      | 12 474 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .  | 3 057                 | 237      | 2 536           | 2 291              | 5 407                | 115      | 13 643 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . .                                     | 3 431                 | 275      | 1 704           | 2 181              | 5 027                | 254      | 12 872 |
| <b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>  |                       |          |                 |                    |                      |          |        |
| 1975-76 . . . . .  | 8 183                 | 1 358    | 10 156          | 5 724              | 13 305               | 278      | 39 003 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .  | 6 176                 | 1 936    | 7 710           | 5 854              | 12 467               | 258      | 34 403 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .  | 5 668                 | 1 809    | 6 305           | 4 852              | 13 178               | 242      | 32 054 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .  | 6 039                 | 1 568    | 6 452           | 5 696              | 13 986               | 159      | 33 900 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . .                                     | 6 620                 | 1 880    | 6 302           | 6 173              | 14 831               | 306      | 36 111 |

(a) Includes payments for employment and welfare purposes.

Table 100—Payments for Natural Disaster Relief Assistance by Type of Disaster, 1975-76 to 1979-80(a) (\$ thousands)

|                          | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total  |
|--------------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|--------|
| DROUGHT                  |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |        |
| 1975-76                  | ..              | ..       | ..         | ..              | ..                | ..       | ..     |
| 1976-77                  | 779             | 716      | ..         | ..              | 2 134             | ..       | 3 629  |
| 1977-78                  | 1 458           | 399      | 2 568      | 12 350          | 16 000            | ..       | 32 775 |
| 1978-79                  | 743             | 173      | 3 427      | 5 430           | 5 907             | ..       | 15 680 |
| 1979-80 (estimate)       | ..              | ..       | 243        | ..              | ..                | ..       | 243    |
| FLOOD, STORM AND CYCLONE |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |        |
| 1975-76                  | 13 318          | 6 250    | 6 452      | 108             | 4 347             | ..       | 30 475 |
| 1976-77                  | 11 877          | 809      | 11 139     | ..              | 1 568             | ..       | 25 393 |
| 1977-78                  | 8 195           | 1 320    | 12 496     | ..              | 2 498             | ..       | 24 510 |
| 1978-79                  | 2 393           | 797      | 5 535      | ..              | 2 511             | ..       | 11 236 |
| 1979-80 (estimate)       | ..              | ..       | 5 257      | ..              | ..                | ..       | 5 257  |
| BUSHFIRE                 |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |        |
| 1975-76                  | 587             | ..       | ..         | ..              | ..                | -7       | 580    |
| 1976-77                  | 73              | 1 355    | ..         | ..              | ..                | ..       | 1 428  |
| 1977-78                  | 14              | 192      | 9          | ..              | ..                | ..       | 215    |
| 1978-79                  | 8               | 43       | ..         | ..              | ..                | ..       | 51     |
| 1979-80 (estimate)       | ..              | ..       | ..         | ..              | ..                | ..       | ..     |
| ALL NATURAL DISASTERS    |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |        |
| 1975-76                  | 13 905          | 6 250    | 6 452      | 108             | 4 347             | -7       | 31 055 |
| 1976-77                  | 12 729          | 2 880    | 11 139     | ..              | 3 702             | ..       | 30 450 |
| 1977-78                  | 9 667           | 1 912    | 15 073     | 12 350          | 18 498            | ..       | 57 500 |
| 1978-79                  | 3 144           | 1 013    | 8 962      | 5 430           | 8 418             | ..       | 26 967 |
| 1979-80 (estimate)       | ..              | ..       | 5 500      | ..              | ..                | ..       | 5 500  |

(a) Excludes the cost of emergency assistance provided by the Defence Force. Amounts shown are payments made in each financial year less refunds made within the same financial year; refunds made in subsequent years are deducted in the year in which they were received (also see footnotes to Table 57).

**Table 101—Further Details of Natural Disaster Relief Assistance to the States, 1974-75 to 1978-79 (\$ thousands)**

|  | New South Wales |               |               |               |               | Victoria      |               |              |                 |              | Queensland    |              |               |               |               |
|--|-----------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
|  | 1974-75         | 1975-76       | 1976-77       | 1977-78       | 1978-79       | 1974-75       | 1975-76       | 1976-77      | 1977-78         | 1978-79      | 1974-75       | 1975-76      | 1976-77       | 1977-78       | 1978-79       |
| <i>Expenditures by States in Year(a)</i>                                     |                 |               |               |               |               |               |               |              |                 |              |               |              |               |               |               |
| Personal hardship and distress . . . . .                                     | 668             | 845           | 703           | 974           | 210           | 479           | 25            | 153          | 108             | 46           | 122           | 70           | 52            | 71            | 5             |
| Housing repair and rebuilding . . . . .                                      | ..              | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..           | ..              | ..           | 6 825         | ..           | ..            | ..            | ..            |
| Rail and road freight subsidies . . . . .                                    | 170             | 2             | 980           | 867           | 911           | 7             | 28            | 858          | 198             | 14           | ..            | ..           | ..            | 192           | 2 945         |
| Fodder airdrop subsidies . . . . .   | ..              | 65            | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..           | ..              | ..           | ..            | ..           | 1             | 1             | ..            |
| Stock slaughter assistance and compensation . . . . .                        | ..              | ..            | 19            | 30            | 3             | ..            | ..            | 573          | ..              | ..           | ..            | ..           | ..            | 327           | 261           |
| Loans to primary producers . . . . .   | 2 490           | 1 218         | 1 982         | 2 212         | 3 911         | 643           | 425           | 1 608        | 3 965           | 1 656        | 662           | 46           | 409           | 4 230         | 2 218         |
| Loans to small businesses . . . . .  | 111             | ..            | 35            | 3             | 245           | ..            | ..            | 365          | ..              | ..           | 615           | ..           | 96            | 35            | 35            |
| Loans to sporting clubs . . . . .  | 24              | 22            | 23            | 10            | 20            | ..            | ..            | ..           | ..              | ..           | 29            | 63           | 24            | ..            | 10            |
| Assistance to surf lifesaving clubs . . . . .                                | 14              | -1            | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..           | ..              | ..           | ..            | ..           | ..            | ..            | ..            |
| Assistance to independent schools . . . . .                                  | 37              | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..           | ..              | ..           | ..            | ..           | ..            | ..            | ..            |
| Restoration of State, local and semi-government assets . . . . .             | 16 020          | 13 839        | 13 263        | 10 802        | 7 824         | 11 673        | 9 441         | 2 408        | 815             | 6 479        | 19 484        | 7 534        | 12 140        | 12 064        | 9 794         |
| Emergency protection works and repairs to essential services . . . . .       | 901             | 735           | 423           | 205           | 217           | 156           | 175           | 465          | 53              | ..           | ..            | ..           | 43            | ..            | ..            |
| Assistance to local government authorities for fire fighting costs . . . . . | 211             | 53            | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..           | ..              | ..           | ..            | ..           | ..            | ..            | ..            |
| Assistance to tertiary education institutions(b) . . . . .                   | 24              | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..           | ..              | ..           | 524           | 102          | 46            | ..            | ..            |
| Water cartage . . . . .  | ..              | ..            | ..            | 1             | 2             | ..            | ..            | ..           | ..              | ..           | ..            | ..           | ..            | ..            | ..            |
| Fencing . . . . .  | ..              | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..           | 125             | 63           | ..            | ..           | ..            | ..            | ..            |
| Bores . . . . .  | ..              | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..           | ..              | 81           | ..            | ..           | ..            | ..            | ..            |
| Disposal of unsaleable stock . . . . .                                       | ..              | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..           | ..              | ..           | ..            | ..           | ..            | ..            | ..            |
| <b>Total . . . . .</b>   | <b>20 670</b>   | <b>16 778</b> | <b>17 428</b> | <b>15 104</b> | <b>13 343</b> | <b>12 958</b> | <b>10 094</b> | <b>6 430</b> | <b>5 264</b>    | <b>8 339</b> | <b>28 261</b> | <b>7 815</b> | <b>12 811</b> | <b>16 920</b> | <b>15 268</b> |
| <i>Less—</i>   |                 |               |               |               |               |               |               |              |                 |              |               |              |               |               |               |
| Expenditure in Year attributable to States(c)—                               |                 |               |               |               |               |               |               |              |                 |              |               |              |               |               |               |
| Base-line amount . . . . .   | 5 048           | 5 003         | 5 000         | 5 000         | 10 000        | 3 500         | 3 500         | 3 500        | 3 500           | 7 000        | 2 000         | 2 000        | 2 000         | 2 000         | 4 000         |
| Expenditure by State above 'base-line' . . . . .                             | ..              | ..            | ..            | ..            | 827           | ..            | ..            | ..           | ..              | 326          | ..            | ..           | ..            | ..            | 2 881         |
| Expenditure in Year to be reimbursed in subsequent years(d) . . . . .        | 2 380           | 250           | (e)—51        | ..            | ..            | (e)—342       | 2             | ..           | ..              | ..           | 1 133         | 481          | 153           | ..            | ..            |
| Refunds of overpayments in respect of previous years . . . . .               | ..              | ..            | ..            | 437           | ..            | ..            | 342           | 50           | 74              | ..           | ..            | 15           | ..            | ..            | ..            |
| <i>Plus—</i>   |                 |               |               |               |               |               |               |              |                 |              |               |              |               |               |               |
| Amounts paid in Year in respect of previous years . . . . .                  | 3 202           | 2 380         | 250           | ..            | 628           | 7             | ..            | ..           | 222             | ..           | 1 706         | 1 133        | 481           | 153           | 575           |
| <b>Payments to States in Year . . . . .</b>                                  | <b>16 444</b>   | <b>13 905</b> | <b>12 729</b> | <b>9 667</b>  | <b>3 144</b>  | <b>9 807</b>  | <b>6 250</b>  | <b>2 880</b> | <b>(f)1 912</b> | <b>1 013</b> | <b>26 834</b> | <b>6 452</b> | <b>11 139</b> | <b>15 073</b> | <b>8 962</b>  |

Table 101 Further Details of Natural Disaster Relief Assistance to the States, 1974-75 to 1978-79 (\$ thousands) continued

|  | South Australia |            |           |               |              | Western Australia |              |              |               |               | Total         |               |               |               |               |
|--|-----------------|------------|-----------|---------------|--------------|-------------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
|  | 1974-75         | 1975-76    | 1976-77   | 1977-78       | 1978-79      | 1974-75           | 1975-76      | 1976-77      | 1977-78       | 1978-79       | 1974-75       | 1975-76       | 1976-77       | 1977-78       | 1978-79       |
| <i>Expenditures by States in Year(a)</i>                           |                 |            |           |               |              |                   |              |              |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Personal hardship and distress                                     | ..              | ..         | ..        | ..            | ..           | ..                | 120          | 1            | 364           | 28            | 1 269         | 1 060         | 909           | 1 517         | 289           |
| Housing repair and rebuilding                                      | ..              | ..         | ..        | ..            | ..           | ..                | ..           | ..           | ..            | ..            | 6 825         | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..            |
| Rail and road freight subsidies                                    | ..              | ..         | ..        | 245           | 256          | ..                | ..           | 270          | 187           | 257           | 177           | 30            | 2 108         | 1 689         | 4 383         |
| Fodder airdrop subsidies   | ..              | ..         | ..        | ..            | ..           | ..                | ..           | ..           | ..            | ..            | ..            | 65            | 1             | 1             | ..            |
| Stock slaughter assistance and compensation                        | ..              | ..         | ..        | 16            | ..           | ..                | ..           | ..           | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..            | 592           | 373           | 264           |
| Loans to primary producers   | ..              | ..         | ..        | 13 589        | 8 780        | ..                | ..           | 2 824        | 16 995        | 9 619         | 3 795         | 1 689         | 6 823         | 40 991        | 26 184        |
| Loans to small businesses  | ..              | ..         | ..        | ..            | ..           | ..                | ..           | ..           | ..            | ..            | 726           | ..            | 496           | 38            | 280           |
| Loans to sporting clubs  | ..              | ..         | ..        | ..            | ..           | ..                | ..           | ..           | ..            | ..            | 53            | 85            | 47            | 10            | 30            |
| Assistance to surf lifesaving clubs                                | ..              | ..         | ..        | ..            | ..           | ..                | ..           | ..           | ..            | ..            | 14            | -1            | ..            | ..            | ..            |
| Assistance to independent schools                                  | ..              | ..         | ..        | ..            | ..           | ..                | ..           | ..           | ..            | ..            | 37            | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..            |
| Restoration of State, local and semi-government assets             | 1 134           | ..         | ..        | ..            | 209          | ..                | 4 588        | 3 261        | 2 330         | 1 735         | 48 311        | 35 402        | 31 072        | 26 011        | 26 041        |
| Emergency protection works and repairs to essential services       | 588             | ..         | ..        | ..            | ..           | ..                | 9            | 1            | ..            | ..            | 1 645         | 919           | 932           | 258           | 217           |
| Assistance to local government authorities for fire fighting costs | ..              | ..         | ..        | ..            | ..           | ..                | ..           | ..           | ..            | ..            | 211           | 53            | ..            | ..            | ..            |
| Assistance to tertiary education institutions(b)                   | ..              | ..         | ..        | ..            | ..           | ..                | ..           | ..           | ..            | ..            | 548           | 102           | 46            | ..            | ..            |
| Water cartage  | ..              | ..         | ..        | ..            | 25           | ..                | ..           | ..           | 17            | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..            | 18            | 27            |
| Fencing  | ..              | ..         | ..        | ..            | ..           | ..                | ..           | ..           | ..            | 23            | ..            | ..            | ..            | 125           | 86            |
| Bores  | ..              | ..         | ..        | ..            | ..           | ..                | ..           | ..           | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..            | 81            |
| Disposal of unsaleable stock                                       | ..              | ..         | ..        | ..            | 15           | ..                | ..           | ..           | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..            | 15            |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>1 722</b>    | <b>..</b>  | <b>..</b> | <b>13 850</b> | <b>9 285</b> | <b>..</b>         | <b>4 717</b> | <b>6 357</b> | <b>19 893</b> | <b>11 662</b> | <b>63 611</b> | <b>39 404</b> | <b>43 026</b> | <b>71 031</b> | <b>57 897</b> |
| <i>Less—</i>   |                 |            |           |               |              |                   |              |              |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Expenditure in Year attributable to States(c)—                     |                 |            |           |               |              |                   |              |              |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Base-line amount   | 1 500           | ..         | ..        | 1 500         | 3 000        | ..                | 1 500        | 1 525        | 1 500         | 3 000         | 12 048        | 12 003        | 12 025        | 13 500        | 27 000        |
| Expenditure by State above 'base-line'                             | ..              | ..         | ..        | ..            | 1 810        | ..                | ..           | ..           | ..            | 2 166         | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..            | 8 010         |
| Expenditure in Year to be reimbursed in subsequent years(d)        | (g)108          | ..         | ..        | ..            | (e)-955      | ..                | (e)-1 130    | ..           | ..            | ..            | 3 279         | -397          | 102           | ..            | -955          |
| Refunds of overpayments in respect of previous years               | ..              | ..         | ..        | ..            | ..           | ..                | ..           | 1 130        | ..            | ..            | ..            | (h)364        | 1 180         | 511           | ..            |
| <i>Plus—</i>   |                 |            |           |               |              |                   |              |              |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Amounts paid in Year in respect of previous years                  | ..              | 108        | ..        | ..            | ..           | ..                | ..           | ..           | 105           | 1 922         | 4 915         | 3 621         | 731           | 480           | 3 125         |
| <b>Payments to States in Year</b>                                  | <b>114</b>      | <b>108</b> | <b>..</b> | <b>12 350</b> | <b>5 430</b> | <b>..</b>         | <b>4 347</b> | <b>3 702</b> | <b>18 498</b> | <b>8 418</b>  | <b>53 199</b> | <b>31 055</b> | <b>30 450</b> | <b>57 500</b> | <b>26 967</b> |

(a) Actual amounts for New South Wales in 1974-75 and 1975-76. All other amounts are estimates by State Treasuries of expenditures on measures agreed between the Commonwealth and State Governments in respect of eligible disasters. Subject to revision.

(b) This assistance was administered, in part, by the Universities Commission and the Commission on Advanced Education but was paid through State Treasury accounts.

(c) For explanations see Chapter IV.

(d) For unavoidable administrative reasons payments to the States in a year are not equal to the amounts payable to them in respect of that year.

(e) Refers to overpayment to State in year concerned, adjusted in subsequent year.

(f) The Commonwealth and State Governments provided \$600 000 and \$500 000 respectively as donations to official disaster appeal funds. These amounts are not shown in this table. The Commonwealth's contribution was paid direct to the funds and did not take the form of payments to the State.

(g) Paid to South Australia in 1975-76.

(h) Includes refunds received from Tasmania of \$6 765 in 1975-76 and from South Australia of \$127 in 1975-76.



**APPENDIX IV—ADVANCES, DEBT CHARGES, NET ADVANCES,  
NET PAYMENTS AND STATE GOVERNMENT DEBT OUTSTANDING**

TABLE NO.

SUBJECT

Advances to States, Debt Charges on Advances and Net Advances,  
1975-76 to 1979-80:

102 Six States Combined

103 New South Wales

104 Victoria

105 Queensland

106 South Australia

107 Western Australia

108 Tasmania

109 Total Commonwealth Government Loans and State Government Loan  
Council Borrowings—Net Basis, by States, 1975-76 to 1979-80.

110 Payments to the States and Loan Council Borrowings—Net Basis, by  
States, 1975-76 to 1979-80.



**Table 102—Six States Total—Advances, Debt Charges on Advances and Net Advances 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|  | 1975-76          | 1976-77          | 1977-78          | 1978-79          | 1979-80<br>(estimate) |
|--|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>ADVANCES(a)</b>                         |                  |                  |                  |                  |                       |
| <i>Loan Council Borrowings</i>             | 860 667          | 904 000          | 955 867          | 955 867          | 830 000               |
| <i>Commonwealth Government Loans—</i>      |                  |                  |                  |                  |                       |
| Housing for Servicemen                     | 34 170           | 35 114           | 22 519           | 11 600           | 1 507                 |
| Housing(b)                                 | 364 600          | 375 000          | 390 000          | 316 000          | 160 000               |
| Growth Centres                             | 66 114           | 42 796           | 25 486           | 24 822           | 27 197                |
| Land Acquisition                           | 49 453           | 22 903           | 26 160           | 14 587           | 15 699                |
| Captains Flat Project                      | 178              | 206              | ..               | 19               | ..                    |
| Legana Industrial Estate—Tasmania          | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..               | 200                   |
| Sewerage                                   | 78 463           | 33 812           | ..               | ..               | ..                    |
| Community Facilities—Townsville            | ..               | 25               | ..               | ..               | ..                    |
| Railway Projects                           | 1 488            | 320              | 20               | ..               | ..                    |
| Railway Mainline Upgrading                 | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..               | 11 000                |
| Railways—Intersystem Advances              | 81               | 255              | ..               | ..               | ..                    |
| King Island Harbour Works                  | 121              | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..                    |
| Urban Water Supply                         | 6 252            | 6 423            | 4 200            | 3 105            | ..                    |
| Gladstone Power Station                    | 39 000           | 26 422           | 191              | ..               | ..                    |
| Dartmouth Dam                              | 8 400            | 5 625            | ..               | ..               | ..                    |
| Ord River Project                          | 33               | 12               | 20               | ..               | 67                    |
| Softwood Forestry                          | 7 937            | 7 934            | 360              | 7 665            | 6 000                 |
| Native Forestry Assistance—Tasmania        | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..               | 372                   |
| Dairy Adjustment Program                   | 14 072           | 5 277            | 672              | ..               | ..                    |
| Rural Adjustment Scheme                    | ..               | 8 272            | 34 585           | 39 815           | 15 700                |
| Beef Industry Assistance                   | 11 298           | 3 478            | 33               | -3               | ..                    |
| Rural Reconstruction                       | 22 500           | 14 954           | 2 199            | ..               | ..                    |
| Sugar Industry                             | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..               | 27 500                |
| Canned Fruit Industry                      | 2 457            | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..                    |
| Assistance for Mount Lyell Mining          | ..               | ..               | 3 383            | ..               | 343                   |
| Assistance for Chrysotile Corporation      | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..               | 1 400                 |
| Brigalow Lands Development Scheme          | 2 296            | 1 909            | ..               | ..               | ..                    |
| Natural Disaster Relief                    | 1 098            | 4 828            | 34 369           | 14 444           | 101                   |
| <b>Total Commonwealth Government Loans</b> | <b>710 011</b>   | <b>595 563</b>   | <b>544 198</b>   | <b>432 054</b>   | <b>267 086</b>        |
| <b>TOTAL ADVANCES</b>                      | <b>1 570 678</b> | <b>1 499 563</b> | <b>1 500 065</b> | <b>1 387 921</b> | <b>1 097 086</b>      |



Table 102—Six States Total—Advances, Debt Charges on Advances and Net Advances 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)—continued

|  | 1975-76          | 1976-77          | 1977-78          | 1978-79          | 1979-80<br>(estimate) |
|--|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| REPAYMENTS OF ADVANCES                                     |                  |                  |                  |                  |                       |
| <i>Sinking Fund Payments on Loan Council Borrowings(c)</i> | 152 000          | 159 323          | 171 032          | 185 269          | 196 077               |
| <i>Repayments of Commonwealth Government Loans—</i>        |                  |                  |                  |                  |                       |
| Special Budgetary Assistance                               | ..               | 10 000           | 10 000           | 10 000           | 2 500                 |
| Housing for Servicemen                                     | 681              | 734              | 789              | 840              | 892                   |
| Unemployment Relief Works                                  | 2                | 4                | ..               | 2                | 2                     |
| Aboriginal Advancement                                     | 19               | 20               | 21               | ..               | 23                    |
| Housing  | 21 918           | 24 711           | 27 684           | 30 880           | 33 409                |
| Growth Centres   | ..               | 21               | 28               | 137              | 260                   |
| Area Improvement   | ..               | ..               | 7                | ..               | ..                    |
| Captains Flat Project                                      | ..               | ..               | ..               | 4                | 7                     |
| Sewerage   | 99               | 441              | 608              | 696              | 765                   |
| Community Facilities—Townsville                            | 24               | 5                | 4                | 5                | 5                     |
| Beef Cattle Roads  | 570              | 570              | 570              | 570              | 570                   |
| Railway Projects   | 3 948            | 4 136            | 4 335            | 3 769            | 5 540                 |
| Railways—Intersystem Advances                              | 185              | 218              | ..               | ..               | ..                    |
| King Island Harbour Works                                  | 37               | 45               | 45               | 45               | 45                    |
| King Island Shipping Service                               | 87               | 87               | 87               | 87               | 87                    |
| Coal Loading Facilities                                    | 95               | 13               | 13               | 13               | 6                     |
| Northern Harbours  | 98               | 98               | 98               | 98               | 98                    |
| Derby Jetty  | 53               | 53               | 53               | 53               | ..                    |
| Weipa Development  | 73               | 77               | 81               | 85               | 90                    |
| Natural Gas  | 1 875            | 1 875            | 1 875            | 1 875            | 1 875                 |
| Urban Water Supply   | ..               | 32               | 46               | 62               | 77                    |
| Hydroelectricity   | 2 989            | 2 989            | 2 989            | 2 989            | 2 989                 |
| Gladstone Power Station                                    | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..               | 4 056                 |
| Exmouth Township   | 19               | 14               | 9                | 14               | 19                    |
| Julius Dam   | 66               | 73               | 80               | 88               | 97                    |
| Chowilla Reservoir   | 60               | 99               | 137              | 148              | 148                   |
| Blowering Reservoir  | 712              | 1 303            | 1 805            | 2 015            | 2 035                 |
| Western Australia Water Supply                             | 42               | 150              | 244              | 367              | 508                   |
| Softwood Forestry  | ..               | ..               | 12               | 150              | 305                   |
| Dairy Adjustment Program                                   | 572              | 1 607            | 1 807            | 2 239            | 3 000                 |
| Rural Adjustment Scheme                                    | ..               | ..               | ..               | 188              | ..                    |
| Beef Industry Assistance                                   | ..               | 234              | 891              | 2 385            | 2 400                 |
| Rural Reconstruction                                       | 1 937            | 3 528            | 4 296            | 5 054            | 6 184                 |
| Sugar Industry   | 2 367            | 2 485            | 2 610            | 2 740            | 2 877                 |
| Canned Fruit Industry                                      | 525              | 694              | 1 470            | 759              | 1 199                 |
| Assistance for Mount Lyell Mining                          | ..               | ..               | ..               | 1 009            | 2 716                 |
| War Service Land Settlement                                | 328              | 340              | 352              | 366              | 379                   |
| Brigalow Lands Development Scheme                          | 762              | 938              | 508              | 346              | 693                   |
| Natural Disaster Relief                                    | 6 094            | 4 585            | 4 343            | 3 396            | 7 729                 |
| Total Repayments of Commonwealth Government Loans          | 46 237           | 62 179           | 67 897           | 73 474           | 83 584                |
| <b>TOTAL SINKING FUND PAYMENTS AND REPAYMENTS OF LOANS</b> | <b>198 237</b>   | <b>221 502</b>   | <b>238 929</b>   | <b>258 743</b>   | <b>279 661</b>        |
| NET ADVANCES(d)<br>(Advances Less Repayments)              |                  |                  |                  |                  |                       |
| Loan Council Borrowings                                    | 708 667          | 744 677          | 784 835          | 770 598          | 633 923               |
| Commonwealth Government Loans                              | 663 774          | 533 384          | 476 301          | 358 580          | 183 502               |
| <b>TOTAL NET ADVANCES</b>                                  | <b>1 372 441</b> | <b>1 278 061</b> | <b>1 261 136</b> | <b>1 129 178</b> | <b>817 425</b>        |

Table 102—Six States Total—Advances, Debt Charges on Advances and Net Advances, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)—continued

|  | 1975-76        | 1976-77          | 1977-78          | 1978-79          | 1979-80<br>(estimate) |
|--|----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| INTEREST ON ADVANCES   |                |                  |                  |                  |                       |
| Interest on Loan Council Borrowings(e)   | 694 689        | 831 563          | 947 629          | 1 017 905        | 1 109 300             |
| Interest on Commonwealth Government Loans—   |                |                  |                  |                  |                       |
| Special Budgetary Assistance   | 1 813          | 2 763            | 1 913            | 1 063            | 212                   |
| Housing for Servicemen   | 8 300          | 11 932           | 14 623           | 16 841           | 17 886                |
| Unemployment Relief Works  | 1              | 3                | ..               | ..               | ..                    |
| Aboriginal Advancement—Bamaga  | 17             | 16               | 14               | ..               | 12                    |
| Housing  | 105 032        | 119 127          | 133 992          | 148 483          | 157 785               |
| Growth Centres   | 8 381          | 14 075           | 17 862           | 20 482           | 23 132                |
| Land Acquisition   | 5 734          | 10 011           | 12 132           | 14 587           | 15 699                |
| Community Facilities—Townsville  | 20             | 41               | 41               | 41               | 41                    |
| Exmouth Township   | 26             | 19               | 11               | 17               | 22                    |
| Captains Flat Project  | ..             | 17               | 37               | 39               | 40                    |
| Sewerage   | 10 791         | 19 402           | 21 734           | 21 704           | 21 635                |
| Beef Cattle Roads  | 193            | 165              | 136              | 107              | 79                    |
| Railway Projects   | 4 256          | 4 193            | 3 994            | 2 966            | 4 299                 |
| Railways—Intersystem Advances  | 322            | 403              | ..               | ..               | ..                    |
| King Island—Harbour Works  | 31             | 40               | 37               | 34               | 31                    |
| King Island—Shipping Service   | 118            | 110              | 102              | 93               | 85                    |
| Coal Loading Facilities  | 6              | 2                | 1                | 1                | ..                    |
| Northern Harbours  | 28             | 23               | 18               | 13               | 9                     |
| Derby Jetty  | 9              | 7                | 4                | 2                | ..                    |
| Weipa Development  | 152            | 149              | 145              | 140              | 136                   |
| Natural Gas  | 526            | 415              | 304              | 194              | 83                    |
| Julius Dam   | 182            | 175              | 168              | 159              | 151                   |
| Urban Water Supply   | 418            | 1 107            | 1 724            | 2 049            | 2 287                 |
| Hydroelectricity   | 1 264          | 1 077            | 890              | 702              | 515                   |
| Blowering Reservoir  | 1 041          | 997              | 921              | 822              | 717                   |
| Gladstone Power Station  | ..             | ..               | ..               | ..               | 8 578                 |
| Softwood Forestry  | ..             | ..               | 13               | 135              | 561                   |
| Dairy Adjustment Program   | 543            | 647              | 966              | 992              | 1 000                 |
| Rural Adjustment Scheme  | ..             | ..               | 565              | 2 709            | 3 000                 |
| Canned Fruit Industry  | 230            | 230              | 301              | 372              | 283                   |
| Sugar Industry   | 654            | 536              | 411              | 281              | 144                   |
| Rural Reconstruction   | 7 150          | 8 301            | 9 006            | 8 732            | 8 538                 |
| Ord River Project  | 187            | 190              | 191              | 193              | 195                   |
| Dartmouth Dam  | 781            | 1 578            | 2 276            | 2 528            | 2 528                 |
| Chowilla Reservoir   | 64             | 72               | 67               | 59               | 51                    |
| Western Australia Water Supply   | 706            | 701              | 691              | 675              | 652                   |
| War Service Land Settlement  | 894            | 882              | 869              | 856              | 842                   |
| Brigalow Lands Development Scheme  | 706            | 828              | 447              | 485              | 936                   |
| Total Interest on Commonwealth Government Loans                                    | 160 576        | 200 229          | 226 605          | 248 557          | 272 163               |
| <b>TOTAL INTEREST ON LOAN COUNCIL BORROWINGS AND COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENT LOANS</b> | <b>855 265</b> | <b>1 031 792</b> | <b>1 174 234</b> | <b>1 266 463</b> | <b>1 381 463</b>      |

(a) For purposes of these tables advances comprise the State Governments' Loan Council borrowing programs and Commonwealth Government loans to the States. See Chapter 1 of this paper and footnote (d) below. Important qualifications attach to the 1979-80 estimates in some cases; see relevant sections of the text.

(b) Comprising advances from 1974-75 under the Housing Agreement 1973. Does not include advances for housing for servicemen.

(c) Includes sinking fund contributions on State debt made by the Commonwealth Government, which are included in this paper as payments for the States. Amounts shown equal total receipts of the Sinking Funds on the States' debts controlled by the National Debt Commission.

(d) Figures derived from those shown above by subtracting sinking fund payments from Loan Council borrowings and repayments of Commonwealth Government loans from the amounts of those loans each year. As explained in Chapter 1, national accounting estimates of Commonwealth Government outlays published by the Treasury and by the Australian Bureau of Statistics show advances (including the State Governments' Loan Council borrowing programs) on a net basis. The figures shown here coincide with those shown in the national accounting estimates. The figures shown in some of the other sections of this paper are on a gross basis—that is, before deducting repayments.

(e) Includes interest on the States' domestic raisings.

**Table 103—New South Wales—Advances, Debt Charges on Advances and Net Advances, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|  | 1975-76        | 1976-77        | 1977-78        | 1978-79        | 1979-80<br>(estimate) |
|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------------|
| <b>ADVANCES(a)</b>   |                |                |                |                |                       |
| <i>Loan Council Borrowings</i>                             | 274 114        | 287 915        | 308 978        | 308 978        | 268 293               |
| <i>Commonwealth Government Loans—</i>                      |                |                |                |                |                       |
| Housing for Servicemen                                     | 18 005         | 15 280         | 7 947          | 5 423          | 865                   |
| Housing  | 123 411        | 123 411        | 128 011        | 103 721        | 52 512                |
| Growth Centres   | 42 439         | 26 022         | 15 323         | 16 231         | 17 874                |
| Land Acquisition   | 11 719         | 3 743          | 4 287          | 2 137          | 2 338                 |
| Captains Flat Project                                      | 178            | 206            | ..             | 19             | ..                    |
| Sewerage   | 29 960         | 13 790         | ..             | ..             | ..                    |
| Railway Mainline Upgrading                                 | ..             | ..             | ..             | ..             | 5 500                 |
| Railways—Intersystem Advances                              | 10             | 384            | ..             | ..             | ..                    |
| Dartmouth Dam  | 2 800          | 1 875          | ..             | ..             | ..                    |
| Softwood Forestry  | 2 456          | 2 497          | 374            | 3 175          | 1 985                 |
| Dairy Adjustment Program                                   | 409            | 306            | ..             | ..             | ..                    |
| Rural Adjustment Scheme                                    | ..             | 1 476          | 6 495          | 10 065         | 5 700                 |
| Beef Industry Assistance                                   | 2 892          | 730            | ..             | ..             | ..                    |
| Rural Reconstruction                                       | 5 437          | 3 975          | 1 643          | ..             | ..                    |
| Canned Fruit Industry                                      | 338            | ..             | ..             | ..             | ..                    |
| Assistance for Chrysotile Corporation                      | ..             | ..             | ..             | ..             | 1 400                 |
| Natural Disaster Relief                                    | 672            | 1 490          | 1 485          | 984            | ..                    |
| Total Commonwealth Government Loans                        | 240 726        | 195 185        | 165 564        | 141 756        | 88 174                |
| <b>TOTAL ADVANCES</b>                                      | <b>514 840</b> | <b>483 100</b> | <b>474 542</b> | <b>450 734</b> | <b>356 467</b>        |
| <b>REPAYMENTS OF ADVANCES</b>                              |                |                |                |                |                       |
| <i>Sinking Fund Payments on Loan Council Borrowings</i>    | 51 517         | 54 579         | 58 218         | 62 633         | 66 371                |
| <i>Repayments of Commonwealth Government Loans—</i>        |                |                |                |                |                       |
| Special Budgetary Assistance                               | ..             | 10 000         | 10 000         | 10 000         | 2 500                 |
| Housing for Servicemen                                     | 247            | 270            | 293            | 312            | 332                   |
| Housing  | 7 690          | 8 657          | 9 658          | 10 730         | 11 609                |
| Growth Centres   | ..             | 21             | 28             | 35             | 45                    |
| Area Improvement   | ..             | ..             | 7              | ..             | ..                    |
| Captains Flat Project                                      | ..             | ..             | ..             | 4              | 7                     |
| Sewerage   | 36             | 164            | 226            | 256            | 281                   |
| Railway Projects   | 96             | 96             | 96             | 96             | 96                    |
| Railways—Intersystem Advances                              | 45             | 62             | ..             | ..             | ..                    |
| Coal Loading Facilities                                    | 81             | ..             | ..             | ..             | ..                    |
| Chowilla Reservoir   | 60             | 99             | 137            | 148            | 148                   |
| Blowering Reservoir  | 712            | 1 303          | 1 805          | 2 015          | 2 035                 |
| Softwood Forestry  | ..             | ..             | ..             | 60             | 108                   |
| Dairy Adjustment Program                                   | 52             | 81             | 137            | 141            | 215                   |
| Beef Industry Assistance                                   | ..             | ..             | 238            | 594            | 635                   |
| Rural Reconstruction                                       | 612            | 1 032          | 1 288          | 1 692          | 1 872                 |
| Canned Fruit Industry                                      | ..             | 169            | 169            | ..             | ..                    |
| War Service Land Settlement                                | 159            | 165            | 171            | 177            | 184                   |
| Natural Disaster Relief                                    | 2 913          | 1 453          | 1 888          | 688            | 880                   |
| Total Repayments of Commonwealth Government Loans          | 12 703         | 23 571         | 26 140         | 26 947         | 20 946                |
| <b>TOTAL SINKING FUND PAYMENTS AND REPAYMENTS OF LOANS</b> | <b>64 221</b>  | <b>78 149</b>  | <b>84 358</b>  | <b>89 580</b>  | <b>87 317</b>         |
| <b>NET ADVANCES(d)<br/>(Advances Less Repayments)</b>      |                |                |                |                |                       |
| Loan Council Borrowings                                    | 222 597        | 233 336        | 250 760        | 246 345        | 201 922               |
| Commonwealth Government Loans                              | 228 022        | 171 614        | 139 424        | 114 809        | 67 229                |
| <b>TOTAL NET ADVANCES</b>                                  | <b>450 619</b> | <b>404 950</b> | <b>390 184</b> | <b>361 154</b> | <b>269 151</b>        |

Table 103—New South Wales—Advances, Debt Charges on Advances and Net Advances, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)—continued

|  | 1975-76        | 1976-77        | 1977-78        | 1978-79        | 1979-80<br>(estimate) |
|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------------|
| INTEREST ON ADVANCES   |                |                |                |                |                       |
| <i>Interest on Loan Council Borrowings</i>   | 231 187        | 273 262        | 311 602        | 334 673        | 364 850               |
| <i>Interest on Commonwealth Government Loans—</i>                                  |                |                |                |                |                       |
| Special Budgetary Assistance   | 1 813          | 2 763          | 1 913          | 1 063          | 212                   |
| Housing for Servicemen   | 4 045          | 5 887          | 6 949          | 7 809          | 8 293                 |
| Housing  | 36 459         | 40 943         | 45 805         | 50 615         | 53 782                |
| Growth Centres   | 4 282          | 7 959          | 10 176         | 11 672         | 13 326                |
| Land Acquisition   | 587            | 1 336          | 1 687          | 2 137          | 2 338                 |
| Captains Flat Project  | ..             | 17             | 37             | 39             | 40                    |
| Sewerage   | 4 197          | 7 392          | 8 174          | 8 151          | 8 126                 |
| Railway Projects   | 176            | 171            | 166            | 161            | 157                   |
| Railways—Intersystem Advances  | 77             | 115            | ..             | ..             | ..                    |
| Coal Loading Facilities  | 3              | ..             | ..             | ..             | ..                    |
| Blowering Reservoir  | 1 041          | 997            | 921            | 822            | 717                   |
| Softwood Forestry  | ..             | ..             | ..             | 44             | 269                   |
| Dairy Adjustment Program   | 74             | 84             | 82             | 80             | 75                    |
| Rural Adjustment Scheme  | ..             | ..             | 98             | 545            | 665                   |
| Canned Fruit Industry  | ..             | 37             | 145            | ..             | ..                    |
| Rural Reconstruction   | 2 246          | 2 521          | 2 756          | 2 724          | 2 639                 |
| Dartmouth Dam  | 260            | 526            | 759            | 843            | 843                   |
| Chowilla Reservoir   | 64             | 72             | 67             | 59             | 51                    |
| War Service Land Settlement  | 433            | 428            | 421            | 415            | 408                   |
| <b>Total Interest on Commonwealth Government Loans</b>                             | <b>55 757</b>  | <b>71 247</b>  | <b>80 155</b>  | <b>87 179</b>  | <b>91 941</b>         |
| <b>TOTAL INTEREST ON LOAN COUNCIL BORROWINGS AND COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENT LOANS</b> | <b>286 944</b> | <b>344 509</b> | <b>391 757</b> | <b>421 852</b> | <b>456 792</b>        |

(a), (b), (c) and (d). See corresponding footnotes to Table 102.

**Table 104—Victoria—Advances, Debt Charges on Advances and Net Advances, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|  | 1975-76        | 1976-77        | 1977-78        | 1978-79        | 1979-80<br>(estimate) |
|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------------|
| <b>ADVANCES(a)</b>   |                |                |                |                |                       |
| <i>Loan Council Borrowings</i>                             | 217 744        | 228 706        | 240 142        | 240 142        | 208 521               |
| <i>Commonwealth Government Loans—</i>                      |                |                |                |                |                       |
| Housing for Servicemen                                     | 6 082          | 4 191          | 753            | 948            | 290                   |
| Housing  | 98 159         | 98 159         | 101 759        | 82 451         | 41 744                |
| Growth Centres   | 22 277         | 15 793         | 9 075          | 7 391          | 8 012                 |
| Land Acquisition   | 12 222         | 4 926          | 5 340          | 3 201          | 3 267                 |
| Sewerage   | 24 780         | 11 970         | ..             | ..             | ..                    |
| Railway Mainline Upgrading                                 | ..             | ..             | ..             | ..             | 3 500                 |
| Dartmouth Dam  | 2 800          | 1 875          | ..             | ..             | ..                    |
| Softwood Forestry  | 900            | 1 686          | 73             | 613            | 348                   |
| Dairy Adjustment Program                                   | 7 677          | 3 565          | 363            | ..             | ..                    |
| Rural Adjustment Scheme                                    | ..             | 2 958          | 9 733          | 8 712          | 3 440                 |
| Beef Industry Assistance                                   | 1 164          | 349            | ..             | ..             | ..                    |
| Rural Reconstruction                                       | 5 025          | 2 850          | 18             | ..             | ..                    |
| Canned Fruit Industry                                      | 1 706          | ..             | ..             | ..             | ..                    |
| Natural Disaster Relief                                    | 278            | 888            | 1 291          | 201            | ..                    |
| <b>Total Commonwealth Government Loans</b>                 | <b>183 070</b> | <b>149 210</b> | <b>128 404</b> | <b>103 517</b> | <b>60 601</b>         |
| <b>TOTAL ADVANCES</b>                                      | <b>400 814</b> | <b>377 916</b> | <b>368 546</b> | <b>343 659</b> | <b>269 122</b>        |
| <b>REPAYMENTS OF ADVANCES</b>                              |                |                |                |                |                       |
| <i>Sinking Fund Payments on Loan Council Borrowings</i>    | 36 565         | 39 174         | 42 171         | 45 868         | 48 499                |
| <i>Repayments of Commonwealth Government Loans—</i>        |                |                |                |                |                       |
| Housing for Servicemen                                     | 211            | 224            | 236            | 248            | 263                   |
| Unemployment Relief Works                                  | 2              | 4              | ..             | 2              | 2                     |
| Housing  | 6 580          | 7 339          | 8 142          | 9 004          | 9 741                 |
| Growth Centres   | ..             | ..             | ..             | 103            | 215                   |
| Sewerage   | 35             | 148            | 193            | 226            | 248                   |
| Railway Projects   | 96             | 96             | 96             | 96             | 96                    |
| Softwood Forestry  | ..             | ..             | ..             | 12             | 32                    |
| Dairy Adjustment Program                                   | 314            | 865            | 899            | 1 348          | 1 450                 |
| Rural Adjustment Scheme                                    | ..             | ..             | ..             | 1              | ..                    |
| Beef Industry Assistance                                   | ..             | ..             | 6              | 143            | 165                   |
| Rural Reconstruction                                       | 388            | 852            | 962            | 1 163          | 1 399                 |
| Canned Fruit Industry                                      | 525            | 525            | 1 301          | 759            | 993                   |
| War Service Land Settlement                                | 169            | 175            | 182            | 189            | 196                   |
| Natural Disaster Relief                                    | 725            | 840            | 85             | 193            | 352                   |
| <b>Total Repayments of Commonwealth Government Loans</b>   | <b>9 045</b>   | <b>11 068</b>  | <b>12 103</b>  | <b>13 486</b>  | <b>15 153</b>         |
| <b>TOTAL SINKING FUND PAYMENTS AND REPAYMENTS OF LOANS</b> | <b>45 610</b>  | <b>50 242</b>  | <b>54 274</b>  | <b>59 355</b>  | <b>63 651</b>         |
| <b>NET ADVANCES(d)</b><br>(Advances Less Repayments)       |                |                |                |                |                       |
| <i>Loan Council Borrowings</i>                             | 181 179        | 189 532        | 197 971        | 194 274        | 160 022               |
| <i>Commonwealth Government Loans</i>                       | 174 025        | 138 142        | 116 301        | 90 031         | 45 448                |
| <b>TOTAL NET ADVANCES</b>                                  | <b>355 203</b> | <b>327 674</b> | <b>314 272</b> | <b>284 304</b> | <b>205 470</b>        |

Table 104—Victoria—Advances, Debt Charges on Advances and Net Advances, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)—continued

|  | 1975-76        | 1976-77        | 1977-78        | 1978-79        | 1979-80<br>(estimate) |
|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------------|
| INTEREST ON ADVANCES   |                |                |                |                |                       |
| <i>Interest on Loan Council Borrowings</i>   | 175 627        | 209 178        | 239 403        | 257 316        | 280 501               |
| <i>Interest on Commonwealth Government Loans—</i>                                  |                |                |                |                |                       |
| Housing for Servicemen   | 1 908          | 2 478          | 2 838          | 2 899          | 3 079                 |
| Unemployment Relief Works  | 1              | 3              | ..             | ..             | ..                    |
| Housing  | 28 750         | 32 597         | 36 439         | 40 078         | 42 589                |
| Growth Centres   | 3 259          | 5 136          | 6 598          | 7 609          | 8 496                 |
| Land Acquisition   | 1 161          | 2 474          | 2 887          | 3 201          | 3 267                 |
| Sewerage   | 3 882          | 6 385          | 7 179          | 7 160          | 7 137                 |
| Railway Projects   | 176            | 171            | 166            | 161            | 157                   |
| Softwood Forestry  | ..             | ..             | ..             | 9              | 30                    |
| Dairy Adjustment Program   | 21             | 117            | 308            | 345            | 360                   |
| Rural Adjustment Scheme  | ..             | ..             | 259            | 939            | 870                   |
| Canned Fruit Industry  | 230            | 193            | 156            | 372            | 115                   |
| Rural Reconstruction   | 1 654          | 1 916          | 2 012          | 1 951          | 1 881                 |
| Dartmouth Dam  | 260            | 526            | 759            | 843            | 843                   |
| War Service Land Settlement  | 460            | 454            | 447            | 441            | 434                   |
| Total Interest on Commonwealth Government Loans                                    | 41 762         | 52 449         | 60 049         | 66 008         | 69 257                |
| <b>TOTAL INTEREST ON LOAN COUNCIL BORROWINGS AND COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENT LOANS</b> | <b>217 389</b> | <b>261 627</b> | <b>299 452</b> | <b>323 323</b> | <b>349 758</b>        |

(a), (b), (c) and (d). See corresponding footnotes to Table 102.

**Table 105—Queensland—Advances, Debt Charges on Advances and Net Advances, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|  | 1975-76        | 1976-77        | 1977-78        | 1978-79        | 1979-80<br>(estimate) |
|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------------|
| <b>ADVANCES(a)</b>   |                |                |                |                |                       |
| <i>Loan Council Borrowings</i> . . . . .                             | 114 919        | 120 705        | 126 740        | 126 740        | 110 051               |
| <i>Commonwealth Government Loans—</i>                                |                |                |                |                |                       |
| Housing for Servicemen . . . . .                                     | 7 500          | 12 300         | 12 500         | 5 229          | 286                   |
| Housing . . . . .  | 31 010         | 37 410         | 39 810         | 32 257         | 16 336                |
| Sewerage . . . . .   | 9 664          | 700            | ..             | ..             | ..                    |
| Community Facilities—Townsville . . . . .                            | ..             | 25             | ..             | ..             | ..                    |
| Railway Mainline Upgrading . . . . .                                 | ..             | ..             | ..             | ..             | 2 000                 |
| Gladstone Power Station . . . . .                                    | 39 000         | 26 422         | 191            | ..             | ..                    |
| Softwood Forestry . . . . .  | 2 250          | 1 547          | ..             | 1 485          | 1 000                 |
| Dairy Adjustment Program . . . . .                                   | 2 452          | 579            | 21             | ..             | ..                    |
| Rural Adjustment Scheme . . . . .                                    | ..             | 3 191          | 8 440          | 7 809          | 1 760                 |
| Beef Industry Assistance . . . . .                                   | 6 374          | 2 226          | 33             | ..             | ..                    |
| Rural Reconstruction . . . . .                                       | 4 425          | 2 790          | 23             | ..             | ..                    |
| Sugar Industry . . . . .   | ..             | ..             | ..             | ..             | 27 500                |
| Brigalow Lands Development Scheme . . . . .                          | 2 296          | 1 909          | ..             | ..             | ..                    |
| Natural Disaster Relief . . . . .                                    | 81             | 449            | 3 762          | 1 434          | 101                   |
| Total Commonwealth Government Loans . . . . .                        | 105 052        | 89 547         | 64 781         | 48 214         | 48 983                |
| <b>TOTAL ADVANCES</b> . . . . .                                      | <b>219 971</b> | <b>210 252</b> | <b>191 521</b> | <b>174 954</b> | <b>159 034</b>        |
| <b>REPAYMENTS OF ADVANCES</b>  |                |                |                |                |                       |
| <i>Sinking Fund Payments on Loan Council Borrowings</i> . . . . .    | 19 828         | 21 218         | 22 795         | 24 734         | 26 153                |
| <i>Repayments of Commonwealth Government Loans—</i>                  |                |                |                |                |                       |
| Housing for Servicemen . . . . .                                     | 165            | 177            | 192            | 208            | 221                   |
| Aboriginal Advancement . . . . .                                     | 19             | 20             | 21             | ..             | 23                    |
| Housing . . . . .  | 1 978          | 2 217          | 2 506          | 2 820          | 3 051                 |
| Sewerage . . . . .   | 8              | 36             | 58             | 65             | 71                    |
| Community Facilities—Townsville . . . . .                            | 24             | 5              | 4              | 5              | 5                     |
| Beef Cattle Roads . . . . .  | 570            | 570            | 570            | 570            | 570                   |
| Railway Projects . . . . .   | 1 767          | 1 865          | 1 969          | 2 079          | 2 195                 |
| Coal Loading Facilities . . . . .                                    | 13             | 13             | 13             | 13             | 6                     |
| Weipa Development . . . . .  | 73             | 77             | 81             | 85             | 90                    |
| Gladstone Power Station . . . . .                                    | ..             | ..             | ..             | ..             | 4 056                 |
| Julius Dam . . . . .   | 66             | 73             | 80             | 88             | 97                    |
| Softwood Forestry . . . . .  | ..             | ..             | 8              | 27             | 65                    |
| Dairy Adjustment Program . . . . .                                   | 46             | 275            | 334            | 356            | 670                   |
| Rural Adjustment Scheme . . . . .                                    | ..             | ..             | ..             | 138            | ..                    |
| Beef Industry Assistance . . . . .                                   | ..             | 234            | 451            | 1 445          | 1 470                 |
| Rural Reconstruction . . . . .                                       | 484            | 623            | 842            | 906            | 1 152                 |
| Sugar Industry . . . . .   | 2 367          | 2 485          | 2 610          | 2 740          | 2 877                 |
| Brigalow Lands Development Scheme . . . . .                          | 762            | 938            | 508            | 346            | 693                   |
| Natural Disaster Relief . . . . .                                    | 2 067          | 2 045          | 2 050          | 1 939          | 2 398                 |
| Total Repayments of Commonwealth Government Loans . . . . .          | 10 409         | 11 654         | 12 297         | 13 832         | 19 711                |
| <b>TOTAL SINKING FUND PAYMENTS AND REPAYMENTS OF LOANS</b> . . . . . | <b>30 238</b>  | <b>32 871</b>  | <b>35 092</b>  | <b>38 566</b>  | <b>45 864</b>         |
| <b>NET ADVANCES(d)</b><br>(Advances Less Repayments)                 |                |                |                |                |                       |
| <i>Loan Council Borrowings</i> . . . . .                             | 95 091         | 99 487         | 103 945        | 102 006        | 83 898                |
| <i>Commonwealth Government Loans</i> . . . . .                       | 94 643         | 77 894         | 52 484         | 34 382         | 29 271                |
| <b>TOTAL NET ADVANCES</b> . . . . .                                  | <b>189 733</b> | <b>177 381</b> | <b>156 429</b> | <b>136 388</b> | <b>113 170</b>        |

Table 105—Queensland—Advances, Debt Charges on Advances and Net Advances, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)—continued

|  | 1975-76        | 1976-77        | 1977-78        | 1978-79        | 1979-80<br>(estimate) |
|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------------|
| <b>INTEREST ON ADVANCES</b>  |                |                |                |                |                       |
| <i>Interest on Loan Council Borrowings(e)</i> . . . . .                                      | 87 147         | 108 761        | 121 463        | 129 761        | 140 971               |
| <i>Interest on Commonwealth Government Loans—</i>  |                |                |                |                |                       |
| Housing for Servicemen . . . . .   | 1 806          | 2 696          | 3 709          | 4 880          | 5 183                 |
| Aboriginal Advancement—Bamaga . . . . .  | 17             | 16             | 14             | ..             | 12                    |
| Housing . . . . .  | 9 097          | 10 423         | 11 935         | 13 414         | 14 255                |
| Community Facilities—Townsville . . . . .  | 20             | 41             | 41             | 41             | 41                    |
| Sewerage . . . . .   | 943            | 1 876          | 2 109          | 2 119          | 2 113                 |
| Beef Cattle Roads . . . . .  | 193            | 165            | 136            | 107            | 79                    |
| Railway Projects . . . . .   | 1 151          | 1 053          | 949            | 839            | 723                   |
| Coal Loading Facilities . . . . .  | 3              | 2              | 1              | 1              | ..                    |
| Weipa Development . . . . .  | 152            | 149            | 145            | 140            | 136                   |
| Julius Dam . . . . .   | 182            | 175            | 168            | 159            | 151                   |
| Gladstone Power Station . . . . .  | ..             | ..             | ..             | ..             | 8 578                 |
| Softwood Forestry . . . . .  | ..             | ..             | 6              | 24             | 62                    |
| Dairy Adjustment Program . . . . .   | 405            | 383            | 454            | 457            | 440                   |
| Rural Adjustment Scheme . . . . .  | ..             | ..             | 161            | 548            | 550                   |
| Sugar Industry . . . . .   | 654            | 536            | 411            | 281            | 144                   |
| Rural Reconstruction . . . . .   | 1 315          | 1 546          | 1 645          | 1 603          | 1 547                 |
| Bralgaw Lands Development Scheme . . . . .   | 706            | 828            | 447            | 485            | 936                   |
| Total Interest on Commonwealth Government Loans . . . . .                                    | 16 644         | 19 886         | 22 331         | 25 099         | 34 948                |
| <b>TOTAL INTEREST ON LOAN COUNCIL BORROWINGS AND COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENT LOANS . . . . .</b> | <b>103 791</b> | <b>128 647</b> | <b>143 794</b> | <b>154 860</b> | <b>175 919</b>        |

(a), (b), (c), (d) and (e). See corresponding footnotes to Table 102.



**Table 106—South Australia—Advances, Debt Charges on Advances and Net Advances, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|   | 1975-76        | 1976-77        | 1977-78        | 1978-79        | 1979-80<br>(estimate) |
|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------------|
| <b>ADVANCES(a)</b>  |                |                |                |                |                       |
| <i>Loan Council Borrowings</i>                              | 112 950        | 118 637        | 124 569        | 124 569        | 108 165               |
| <i>Commonwealth Government Loans—</i>                       |                |                |                |                |                       |
| Housing for Servicemen                                      | 1 725          | 2 107          | 1 317          | ..             | 20                    |
| Housing   | 56 360         | 56 360         | 58 460         | 47 368         | 23 984                |
| Growth Centres  | 1 399          | 980            | 1 088          | 1 201          | 1 311                 |
| Land Acquisition  | 19 392         | 10 352         | 11 507         | 6 712          | 7 329                 |
| Sewerage  | 3 990          | 702            | ..             | ..             | ..                    |
| Railway Projects  | 1 488          | 210            | ..             | ..             | ..                    |
| Urban Water Supply  | 6 252          | 6 423          | 4 200          | 3 105          | ..                    |
| Dartmouth Dam   | 2 800          | 1 875          | ..             | ..             | ..                    |
| Softwood Forestry   | 566            | ..             | -87            | ..             | 800                   |
| Dairy Adjustment Program                                    | 217            | 65             | ..             | ..             | ..                    |
| Rural Adjustment Scheme                                     | ..             | ..             | 5 956          | 4 163          | 2 200                 |
| Beef Industry Assistance                                    | 289            | 70             | ..             | ..             | ..                    |
| Rural Reconstruction  | 3 825          | 2 086          | 300            | ..             | ..                    |
| Canned Fruit Industry                                       | 413            | ..             | ..             | ..             | ..                    |
| Natural Disaster Relief                                     | ..             | ..             | 12 117         | 4 929          | ..                    |
| <b>Total Commonwealth Government Loans</b>                  | <b>98 716</b>  | <b>81 229</b>  | <b>94 857</b>  | <b>67 477</b>  | <b>35 644</b>         |
| <b>TOTAL ADVANCES</b>                                       | <b>211 666</b> | <b>199 866</b> | <b>219 426</b> | <b>192 046</b> | <b>143 809</b>        |
| <b>REPAYMENTS OF ADVANCES</b>                               |                |                |                |                |                       |
| <i>Sinking Fund Payments on Loan Council Borrowings</i>     | 20 137         | 19 638         | 21 199         | 23 102         | 24 431                |
| <i>Repayments of Commonwealth Government Loans—</i>         |                |                |                |                |                       |
| Housing for Servicemen                                      | 13             | 15             | 17             | 18             | 19                    |
| Housing   | 2 797          | 3 213          | 3 645          | 4 108          | 4 444                 |
| Sewerage  | 5              | 24             | 29             | 33             | 36                    |
| Railway Projects  | ..             | 2              | 2              | 2              | 2                     |
| Natural Gas   | 1 875          | 1 875          | 1 875          | 1 875          | 1 875                 |
| Urban Water Supply  | ..             | 32             | 46             | 62             | 77                    |
| Softwood Forestry   | ..             | ..             | 4              | 12             | 21                    |
| Dairy Adjustment Program                                    | 87             | 45             | 50             | 76             | 110                   |
| Beef Industry Assistance                                    | ..             | ..             | 94             | 60             | 60                    |
| Rural Reconstruction  | 137            | 361            | 449            | 477            | 696                   |
| Canned Fruit Industry                                       | ..             | ..             | ..             | ..             | 206                   |
| Natural Disaster Relief                                     | 69             | 69             | ..             | ..             | 1 481                 |
| <b>Total Repayments of Commonwealth Government Loans</b>    | <b>4 983</b>   | <b>5 635</b>   | <b>6 211</b>   | <b>6 723</b>   | <b>9 028</b>          |
| <b>TOTAL SINKING FUND PAYMENTS AND REPAYMENTS OF LOANS</b>  | <b>25 120</b>  | <b>25 273</b>  | <b>27 410</b>  | <b>29 824</b>  | <b>33 459</b>         |
| <b>NET ADVANCES(d)</b><br>(Advances <i>Less</i> Repayments) |                |                |                |                |                       |
| <i>Loan Council Borrowings</i>                              | 92 813         | 98 999         | 103 370        | 101 467        | 83 734                |
| <i>Commonwealth Government Loans</i>                        | 93 733         | 75 594         | 88 646         | 60 755         | 26 616                |
| <b>TOTAL NET ADVANCES</b>                                   | <b>186 545</b> | <b>174 594</b> | <b>192 016</b> | <b>162 222</b> | <b>110 350</b>        |

Table 106—South Australia—Advances, Debt Charges on Advances and Net Advances, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)—continued

|  | 1975-76        | 1976-77        | 1977-78        | 1978-79        | 1979-80<br>(estimate) |
|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------------|
| <b>INTEREST ON ADVANCES</b>  |                |                |                |                |                       |
| <i>Interest on Loan Council Borrowings(e)</i> . . . . .  | 85 973         | 103 661        | 119 300        | 128 583        | 140 227               |
| <i>Interest on Commonwealth Government Loans—</i>  |                |                |                |                |                       |
| Housing for Servicemen . . . . .   | 80             | 322            | 457            | 587            | 623                   |
| Housing . . . . .  | 15 899         | 18 115         | 20 397         | 22 602         | 24 019                |
| Growth Centres . . . . .   | 841            | 980            | 1 088          | 1 201          | 1 311                 |
| Land Acquisition . . . . .   | 2 987          | 4 570          | 5 507          | 6 712          | 7 329                 |
| Sewerage . . . . .   | 647            | 955            | 985            | 983            | 979                   |
| Railway Projects . . . . .   | 35             | 184            | 208            | 208            | 208                   |
| Natural Gas . . . . .  | 526            | 415            | 304            | 194            | 83                    |
| Urban Water Supply . . . . .   | 418            | 1 107          | 1 724          | 2 049          | 2 287                 |
| Softwood Forestry . . . . .  | ..             | ..             | 3              | 16             | 28                    |
| Dairy Adjustment Program . . . . .   | 8              | 15             | 21             | 19             | 20                    |
| Rural Adjustment Scheme . . . . .  | ..             | ..             | 15             | 340            | 385                   |
| Canned Fruit Industry . . . . .  | ..             | ..             | ..             | ..             | 168                   |
| Rural Reconstruction . . . . .   | 714            | 875            | 1 013          | 999            | 967                   |
| Dartmouth Dam . . . . .  | 260            | 526            | 759            | 843            | 843                   |
| <b>Total Interest on Commonwealth Govern-<br/>ment Loans</b> . . . . .                                     | <b>22 415</b>  | <b>28 064</b>  | <b>32 481</b>  | <b>36 751</b>  | <b>39 251</b>         |
| <b>TOTAL INTEREST ON LOAN<br/>COUNCIL BORROWINGS AND<br/>COMMONWEALTH GOVERN-<br/>MENT LOANS</b> . . . . . | <b>108 388</b> | <b>131 725</b> | <b>151 781</b> | <b>165 335</b> | <b>179 478</b>        |

(a), (b), (c), (d) and (e). See corresponding footnotes to Table 102.

**Table 107—Western Australia—Advances, Debt Charges on Advances and Net Advances, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|  | 1975-76        | 1976-77        | 1977-78        | 1978-79        | 1979-80<br>(estimate) |
|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------------|
| <b>ADVANCES(a)</b>   |                |                |                |                |                       |
| <i>Loan Council Borrowings</i> . . . . .                                 | 80 197         | 84 235         | 88 446         | 88 446         | 76 799                |
| <i>Commonwealth Government Loans—</i>                                    |                |                |                |                |                       |
| Housing for Servicemen . . . . .   | 698            | 1 230          | 2              | ..             | 46                    |
| Housing . . . . .  | 33 440         | 35 440         | 36 740         | 29 767         | 15 072                |
| Land Acquisition . . . . .   | 6 120          | 3 882          | 5 026          | 2 537          | 2 764                 |
| Sewerage . . . . .   | 8 680          | 6 300          | ..             | ..             | ..                    |
| Railway Projects . . . . .   | ..             | 110            | 20             | ..             | ..                    |
| Railways—Intersystem Advances . . . . .                                  | 71             | 129            | ..             | ..             | ..                    |
| Ord River Project . . . . .  | 33             | 12             | 20             | ..             | 67                    |
| Softwood Forestry . . . . .  | 864            | 776            | ..             | 1 302          | 867                   |
| Dairy Adjustment Program . . . . .                                       | 1 831          | 264            | 208            | ..             | ..                    |
| Rural Adjustment Scheme . . . . .  | ..             | 647            | 3 857          | 8 075          | 2 260                 |
| Beef Industry Assistance . . . . .                                       | 479            | 61             | ..             | ..             | ..                    |
| Rural Reconstruction . . . . .   | 3 413          | 3 108          | 189            | ..             | ..                    |
| Natural Disaster Relief . . . . .  | 67             | 2 001          | 15 714         | 6 895          | ..                    |
| Total Commonwealth Government Loans                                      | 55 696         | 53 702         | 61 777         | 48 575         | 21 076                |
| <b>TOTAL ADVANCES</b> . . . . .  | <b>135 893</b> | <b>137 937</b> | <b>150 223</b> | <b>137 021</b> | <b>97 875</b>         |
| <b>REPAYMENTS OF ADVANCES</b>  |                |                |                |                |                       |
| <i>Sinking Fund Payments on Loan Council</i>                             |                |                |                |                |                       |
| <i>Borrowings</i> . . . . .  | 14 831         | 15 762         | 16 839         | 18 171         | 19 226                |
| <i>Repayments of Commonwealth Government Loans—</i>                      |                |                |                |                |                       |
| Housing for Servicemen . . . . .   | 43             | 45             | 48             | 50             | 53                    |
| Housing . . . . .  | 1 928          | 2 177          | 2 443          | 2 736          | 2 960                 |
| Sewerage . . . . .   | 14             | 57             | 80             | 92             | 101                   |
| Railway Projects . . . . .   | 1 989          | 2 078          | 2 173          | 1 496          | 3 151                 |
| Railways—Intersystem Advances . . . . .                                  | 140            | 156            | ..             | ..             | ..                    |
| Northern Harbours . . . . .  | 98             | 98             | 98             | 98             | 98                    |
| Derby Jetty . . . . .  | 53             | 53             | 53             | 53             | ..                    |
| Exmouth Township . . . . .   | 19             | 14             | 9              | 14             | 19                    |
| Western Australia Water Supply . . . . .                                 | 42             | 150            | 244            | 367            | 508                   |
| Softwood Forestry . . . . .  | ..             | ..             | ..             | 18             | 38                    |
| Dairy Adjustment Program . . . . .                                       | 53             | 189            | 212            | 227            | 300                   |
| Beef Industry Assistance . . . . .                                       | ..             | ..             | 101            | 142            | 70                    |
| Rural Reconstruction . . . . .   | 297            | 549            | 651            | 744            | 920                   |
| Natural Disaster Relief . . . . .  | ..             | ..             | ..             | 256            | 2 324                 |
| Total Repayments of Commonwealth<br>Government Loans . . . . .           | 4 676          | 5 566          | 6 112          | 6 294          | 10 541                |
| <b>TOTAL SINKING FUND PAYMENTS<br/>AND REPAYMENTS OF LOANS</b> . . . . . | <b>19 507</b>  | <b>21 328</b>  | <b>22 952</b>  | <b>24 464</b>  | <b>29 767</b>         |
| <b>NET ADVANCES(d)</b><br>(Advances <i>Less</i> Repayments)              |                |                |                |                |                       |
| <i>Loan Council Borrowings</i> . . . . .                                 | 65 366         | 68 473         | 71 607         | 70 275         | 57 573                |
| <i>Commonwealth Government Loans</i> . . . . .                           | 51 020         | 48 136         | 55 664         | 42 282         | 10 535                |
| <b>TOTAL NET ADVANCES</b> . . . . .                                      | <b>116 386</b> | <b>116 608</b> | <b>127 271</b> | <b>112 557</b> | <b>68 108</b>         |

Table 107—Western Australia—Advances, Debt Charges on Advances and Net Advances, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)—continued

|  | 1975-76       | 1976-77        | 1977-78        | 1978-79        | 1979-80<br>(estimate) |
|--|---------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------------|
| INTEREST ON ADVANCES   |               |                |                |                |                       |
| <i>Interest on Loan Council Borrowings(e)</i> . . . . .  | 68 077        | 80 906         | 92 080         | 98 619         | 107 552               |
| <i>Interest on Commonwealth Government Loans—</i>  |               |                |                |                |                       |
| Housing for Servicemen . . . . .   | 425           | 497            | 617            | 615            | 653                   |
| Housing . . . . .  | 8 953         | 10 238         | 11 642         | 13 032         | 13 849                |
| Land Acquisition . . . . .   | 999           | 1 631          | 2 051          | 2 537          | 2 764                 |
| Exmouth Township . . . . .   | 26            | 19             | 11             | 17             | 22                    |
| Sewerage . . . . .   | 1 011         | 2 530          | 2 959          | 2 951          | 2 942                 |
| Railway Projects . . . . .   | 2 718         | 2 613          | 2 504          | 1 596          | 3 055                 |
| Railways—Intersystem Advances . . . . .  | 245           | 288            | ..             | ..             | ..                    |
| Northern Harbours . . . . .  | 28            | 23             | 18             | 13             | 9                     |
| Derby Jetty . . . . .  | 9             | 7              | 4              | 2              | ..                    |
| Softwood Forestry . . . . .  | ..            | ..             | 4              | 27             | 132                   |
| Dairy Adjustment Program . . . . .   | 29            | 40             | 81             | 78             | 80                    |
| Rural Adjustment Scheme . . . . .  | ..            | ..             | 33             | 335            | 495                   |
| Rural Reconstruction . . . . .   | 1 052         | 1 248          | 1 377          | 1 353          | 1 313                 |
| Ord River Project . . . . .  | 187           | 190            | 191            | 193            | 195                   |
| Western Australia Water Supply . . . . .   | 706           | 701            | 691            | 675            | 652                   |
| <b>Total Interest on Commonwealth Govern-<br/>ment Loans</b> . . . . .                                   | <b>16 388</b> | <b>20 025</b>  | <b>22 183</b>  | <b>23 424</b>  | <b>26 160</b>         |
| <b>TOTAL INTEREST ON LOAN<br/>COUNCIL BORROWINGS AND<br/>COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENT<br/>LOANS</b> . . . . . | <b>84 465</b> | <b>100 931</b> | <b>114 263</b> | <b>122 044</b> | <b>133 712</b>        |

(a), (b), (c), (d) and (e). See corresponding footnotes to Table 102.

**Table 108—Tasmania—Advances, Debt Charges on Advances and Net Advances, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|  | 1975-76       | 1976-77       | 1977-78       | 1978-79       | 1979-80<br>(estimate) |
|--|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------------|
| <b>ADVANCES(a)</b>   |               |               |               |               |                       |
| <i>Loan Council Borrowings</i>                             | 60 743        | 63 802        | 66 992        | 66 992        | 58 171                |
| <i>Commonwealth Government Loans—</i>                      |               |               |               |               |                       |
| Housing for Servicemen                                     | 160           | 6             | ..            | ..            | ..                    |
| Housing  | 22 220        | 24 220        | 25 220        | 20 436        | 10 352                |
| Legana Industrial Estate—Tasmania                          | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..            | 200                   |
| Sewerage   | 1 389         | 350           | ..            | ..            | ..                    |
| King Island Harbour Works                                  | 121           | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..                    |
| Softwood Forestry  | 901           | 1 429         | ..            | 1 090         | 1 000                 |
| Native Forestry Assistance—Tasmania                        | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..            | 372                   |
| Dairy Adjustment Program                                   | 1 486         | 498           | 81            | ..            | ..                    |
| Rural Adjustment Scheme                                    | ..            | ..            | 104           | 991           | 340                   |
| Beef Industry Assistance                                   | 100           | 42            | ..            | -3            | ..                    |
| Rural Reconstruction                                       | 375           | 145           | 27            | ..            | ..                    |
| Assistance for Mount Lyell Mining                          | ..            | ..            | 3 383         | ..            | 343                   |
| Total Commonwealth Government Loans                        | 26 752        | 26 690        | 28 815        | 22 515        | 12 607                |
| <b>TOTAL ADVANCES</b>                                      | <b>87 495</b> | <b>90 492</b> | <b>95 807</b> | <b>89 507</b> | <b>70 778</b>         |
| <b>REPAYMENTS OF ADVANCES</b>                              |               |               |               |               |                       |
| <i>Sinking Fund Payments on Loan Council Borrowings</i>    | 9 121         | 8 953         | 9 810         | 10 761        | 11 398                |
| <i>Repayments of Commonwealth Government Loans—</i>        |               |               |               |               |                       |
| Housing for Servicemen                                     | 2             | 3             | 3             | 3             | 3                     |
| Housing  | 946           | 1 108         | 1 289         | 1 482         | 1 604                 |
| Sewerage   | 1             | 12            | 20            | 24            | 26                    |
| King Island Harbour Works                                  | 37            | 45            | 45            | 45            | 45                    |
| King Island Shipping Service                               | 87            | 87            | 87            | 87            | 87                    |
| Hydroelectricity   | 2 989         | 2 989         | 2 989         | 2 989         | 2 989                 |
| Softwood Forestry  | ..            | ..            | ..            | 21            | 40                    |
| Dairy Adjustment Program                                   | 20            | 153           | 176           | 91            | 255                   |
| Rural Adjustment Scheme                                    | ..            | ..            | ..            | 48            | ..                    |
| Rural Reconstruction                                       | 18            | 111           | 104           | 73            | 145                   |
| Assistance for Mount Lyell Mining                          | ..            | ..            | ..            | 1 009         | 2 716                 |
| Natural Disaster Relief                                    | 320           | 178           | 320           | 320           | 294                   |
| Total Repayments of Commonwealth Government Loans          | 4 420         | 4 686         | 5 033         | 6 193         | 8 204                 |
| <b>TOTAL SINKING FUND PAYMENTS AND REPAYMENTS OF LOANS</b> | <b>13 541</b> | <b>13 639</b> | <b>14 843</b> | <b>16 954</b> | <b>19 602</b>         |
| <b>NET ADVANCES(d)<br/>(Advances Less Repayments)</b>      |               |               |               |               |                       |
| <i>Loan Council Borrowings</i>                             | 51 622        | 54 849        | 57 182        | 56 231        | 46 773                |
| <i>Commonwealth Government Loans</i>                       | 22 332        | 22 004        | 23 782        | 16 322        | 4 403                 |
| <b>TOTAL NET ADVANCES</b>                                  | <b>73 954</b> | <b>76 853</b> | <b>80 964</b> | <b>72 552</b> | <b>51 176</b>         |

Table 108—Tasmania—Advances, Debt Charges on Advances and Net Advances, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)—continued

|  | 1975-76       | 1976-77       | 1977-78       | 1978-79       | 1979-80<br>(estimate) |
|--|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------------|
| INTEREST ON ADVANCES   |               |               |               |               |                       |
| <i>Interest on Loan Council Borrowings(e)</i> . . . . .  | 46 678        | 55 795        | 63 781        | 68 953        | 75 199                |
| <i>Interest on Commonwealth Government Loans—</i>  |               |               |               |               |                       |
| Housing for Servicemen . . . . .   | 36            | 52            | 52            | 52            | 55                    |
| Housing . . . . .  | 5 874         | 6 812         | 7 773         | 8 743         | 9 291                 |
| Sewerage . . . . .   | 110           | 264           | 328           | 340           | 337                   |
| King Island Harbour Works . . . . .  | 31            | 40            | 37            | 34            | 31                    |
| King Island Shipping Service . . . . .   | 118           | 110           | 102           | 93            | 85                    |
| Hydroelectricity . . . . .   | 1 264         | 1 077         | 890           | 702           | 515                   |
| Softwood Forestry . . . . .  | ..            | ..            | ..            | 15            | 40                    |
| Dairy Adjustment Program . . . . .   | 6             | 8             | 21            | 13            | 25                    |
| Rural Adjustment Scheme . . . . .  | ..            | ..            | ..            | 3             | 35                    |
| Rural Reconstruction . . . . .   | 169           | 195           | 203           | 102           | 191                   |
| Total Interest on Commonwealth Govern-<br>ment Loans . . . . .   | 7 608         | 8 558         | 9 406         | 10 096        | 10 606                |
| <b>TOTAL INTEREST ON LOAN<br/>COUNCIL BORROWINGS AND<br/>COMMONWEALTH GOVERN-<br/>MENT LOANS . . . . .</b> | <b>54 286</b> | <b>64 353</b> | <b>73 187</b> | <b>79 049</b> | <b>85 805</b>         |

(a), (b), (c), (d) and (e). See corresponding footnotes to Table 102.

**Table 109—Total Commonwealth Government Loans to the States and Loan Council Borrowings—Net Basis, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|                              | New<br>South<br>Wales | Victoria | Queens-<br>land | South<br>Australia | Western<br>Australia | Tasmania | Total     |
|------------------------------|-----------------------|----------|-----------------|--------------------|----------------------|----------|-----------|
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 450 619               | 355 203  | 189 733         | 186 545            | 116 386              | 73 954   | 1 372 441 |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 404 950               | 327 674  | 177 381         | 174 594            | 116 608              | 76 853   | 1 278 051 |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 390 184               | 314 272  | 156 429         | 192 016            | 127 271              | 80 964   | 1 261 136 |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 361 154               | 284 304  | 136 388         | 162 222            | 112 557              | 72 552   | 1 129 178 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 269 151               | 205 470  | 113 170         | 110 350            | 68 108               | 51 176   | 817 425   |

**Table 110—Total Commonwealth Government Payments to the States and Loan Council Borrowings—Net Basis, 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|                              | New<br>South<br>Wales | Victoria  | Queens-<br>land | South<br>Australia | Western<br>Australia | Tasmania | Total      |
|------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|-----------------|--------------------|----------------------|----------|------------|
| 1975-76 . . . . .            | 2 703 189             | 2 097 961 | 1 322 278       | 950 697            | 879 590              | 402 881  | 8 356 596  |
| 1976-77 . . . . .            | 2 862 151             | 2 211 091 | 1 466 059       | 1 008 194          | 960 267              | 417 800  | 8 925 562  |
| 1977-78 . . . . .            | 3 204 279             | 2 439 336 | 1 625 000       | 1 152 387          | 1 100 078            | 464 329  | 9 985 408  |
| 1978-79 . . . . .            | 3 379 311             | 2 565 788 | 1 695 706       | 1 175 696          | 1 164 069            | 480 409  | 10 460 980 |
| 1979-80 (estimate) . . . . . | 3 637 502             | 2 731 160 | 1 813 893       | 1 230 631          | 1 231 079            | 507 360  | 11 151 525 |





**APPENDIX V—COMMONWEALTH PAYMENTS TO OR FOR THE STATES  
AND STATE GOVERNMENT LOAN COUNCIL BORROWINGS,  
1975-76 TO 1979-80**

TABLE NO.

SUBJECT

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|-----|----------------------|
| 111 | Six States Combined. |
| 112 | New South Wales.     |
| 113 | Victoria.            |
| 114 | Queensland.          |
| 115 | South Australia.     |
| 116 | Western Australia.   |
| 117 | Tasmania.            |

**Table 111—Six States Total—Commonwealth Payments and Loan Council Borrowings(a), 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|   | 1975-76   | 1976-77   | 1977-78   | 1978-79   | 1979-80<br>(estimate) |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------------------|
| <b>GENERAL REVENUE FUNDS</b>                        |           |           |           |           |                       |
| Financial Assistance Grants/Personal Income         |           |           |           |           |                       |
| Tax Sharing Entitlements(c) . . . . .               | 3 072 780 | 3 695 594 | 4 336 250 | 4 778 669 | 5 419 600             |
| Adjustments for Previous Year . . . . .             | ..        | ..        | -19 609   | ..        | ..                    |
| Special Grants . . . . .                            | 38 800    | 27 000    | 24 800    | 21 700    | 12 400                |
| Total . . . . .                                     | 3 111 580 | 3 722 594 | 4 341 441 | 4 800 369 | 5 432 000             |
| <b>GENERAL PURPOSE CAPITAL FUNDS(d)</b>             |           |           |           |           |                       |
| Loan Council Borrowings . . . . .                   | 860 667   | 904 000   | 955 867   | 955 867   | 830 000               |
| Capital Grants(e) . . . . .                         | 430 333   | 452 000   | 477 930   | 477 936   | 415 000               |
| Total . . . . .                                     | 1 291 000 | 1 356 000 | 1 433 797 | 1 433 803 | 1 245 000             |
| <b>SPECIFIC PURPOSE PAYMENTS—RECURRENT PURPOSES</b> |           |           |           |           |                       |
| Payments Under Financial Agreement—                 |           |           |           |           |                       |
| Interest on State Debt . . . . .                    | 15 170    | 15 170    | 15 170    | 15 170    | 15 170                |
| Sinking Fund on State Debt . . . . .                | 30 200    | 31 635    | 33 747    | 35 959    | 38 149                |
| South Australia and Tasmania Railway Sinking        |           |           |           |           |                       |
| Fund Reimbursement . . . . .                        | 1 968     | ..        | ..        | ..        | ..                    |
| State Emergency Services . . . . .                  | 747       | 1 028     | 1 250     | 1 390     | 1 394                 |
| Assistance for Exmouth Shire . . . . .              | 150       | 171       | 112       | 354       | 352                   |
| Universities . . . . .                              | 426 389   | 511 556   | 574 465   | 594 587   | 619 100               |
| Colleges of Advanced Education . . . . .            | 286 766   | 368 894   | 395 501   | 413 497   | 430 500               |
| Technical and Further Education . . . . .           | 40 127    | 44 194    | 45 600    | 51 741    | 58 644                |
| Schools . . . . .                                   | 331 885   | 421 758   | 455 622   | 491 395   | 520 999               |
| Education—Allowance for Cost Escalation . . . . .   | ..        | ..        | ..        | ..        | 80 000                |
| Child Migrant and Refugee Education . . . . .       | 7 371     | 140       | 278       | 1 740     | 2 385                 |
| Educational Research . . . . .                      | 1 062     | 1 012     | 809       | 801       | 880                   |
| Public Hospitals—Running Costs . . . . .            | 869 679   | 630 171   | 945 682   | 1 030 155 | 1 151 000             |
| Community Health Program . . . . .                  | 35 618    | 50 432    | 56 874    | 41 532    | 49 660                |
| Tuberculosis Control . . . . .                      | 11 335    | 6 659     | 2 332     | ..        | ..                    |
| School Dental Scheme . . . . .                      | 10 561    | 14 733    | 15 447    | 13 885    | 19 827                |
| Health Education Campaigns . . . . .                | 695       | 675       | 742       | 873       | 1 125                 |
| Blood Transfusion Services . . . . .                | 3 905     | 4 492     | 4 924     | 5 853     | 6 430                 |
| Health Planning Agencies . . . . .                  | 500       | 560       | 560       | 440       | 450                   |
| Home Dialysis Scheme . . . . .                      | 327       | 1 960     | 3         | ..        | ..                    |
| Australian Encephalitis Control . . . . .           | 58        | 56        | 58        | 68        | 113                   |
| Home Care Services . . . . .                        | 5 668     | 6 891     | 9 138     | 8 586     | 9 250                 |
| Senior Citizens Centres . . . . .                   | 648       | 670       | 721       | 822       | 1 122                 |
| Paramedical Services . . . . .                      | 410       | 550       | 582       | 836       | 863                   |
| Assistance for Deserted Wives . . . . .             | 9 721     | 13 347    | 20 083    | 26 075    | 28 000                |
| Pre-Schools and Child Care . . . . .                | 36 973    | 40 761    | 45 000    | 40 944    | 44 100                |
| Employment Grants . . . . .                         | 30 000    | ..        | ..        | ..        | ..                    |
| Regional Employment Development Scheme . . . . .    | 15 047    | ..        | ..        | ..        | ..                    |
| 1972-74 Employment Grants—Refunds . . . . .         | ..        | -174      | -408      | ..        | ..                    |
| Maryborough Employment Grants . . . . .             | ..        | 1 000     | 3 000     | 3 000     | 3 000                 |
| Social Policy Planning Units . . . . .              | 191       | ..        | ..        | ..        | ..                    |
| Rehabilitation Centre—Hobart . . . . .              | ..        | ..        | ..        | ..        | 450                   |
| Community Welfare Relief . . . . .                  | ..        | ..        | 50        | ..        | ..                    |
| Translate/Interpreting Services . . . . .           | ..        | ..        | ..        | ..        | 310                   |
| Aboriginal Advancement . . . . .                    | 16 949    | 17 540    | 19 580    | 20 257    | 23 239                |
| Housing . . . . .                                   | 6 976     | 5 935     | 5 557     | 5 500     | 5 500                 |
| Area Improvement . . . . .                          | 1 436     | ..        | ..        | ..        | ..                    |
| Sewerage . . . . .                                  | 1 196     | 1 453     | 241       | ..        | ..                    |
| Leisure and Recreation/Culture . . . . .            | 600       | 600       | 207       | 207       | 207                   |
| Nature Conservation . . . . .                       | ..        | ..        | 282       | 75        | 75                    |

Table 111—Six States Total—Commonwealth Payments and Loan Council Borrowings(a), 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)—continued

|   | 1975-76          | 1976-77          | 1977-78          | 1978-79          | 1979-80<br>(estimate)<br>(b) |
|---|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------------------|
| Tasman Bridge Disaster . . . . .                  | 1 400            | 1 715            | 730              | ..               | ..                           |
| Water Hyacinth Control . . . . .                  | ..               | 35               | 50               | ..               | ..                           |
| Apple Export Assistance . . . . .                 | 910              | 338              | 55               | 575              | 933                          |
| Bovine Brucellosis and Tuberculosis Eradication   | 8 496            | 14 467           | 16 749           | 23 018           | 24 196                       |
| Exotic Diseases Eradication . . . . .             | ..               | 120              | ..               | 175              | 116                          |
| Plant Pest Control . . . . .                      | ..               | ..               | ..               | 307              | 143                          |
| Agricultural Extension Services                   | 8 625            | 9 675            | 9 780            | 9 746            | 4 730                        |
| Minor Agricultural Research . . . . .             | 181              | 169              | 125              | 158              | 294                          |
| Trawl and Danish Seine Fishery . . . . .          | 9                | 31               | 21               | 8                | ..                           |
| Locust Control . . . . .                          | 398              | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..                           |
| West Indian Drywood Termite . . . . .             | 9                | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..                           |
| Warehouse Beetle Eradication . . . . .            | ..               | ..               | 156              | 84               | 41                           |
| Assistance for APPM Ltd . . . . .                 | 650              | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..                           |
| Coal Mining Industry—Long Service Leave . . . . . | 3 407            | 4 969            | 5 784            | 6 783            | 7 150                        |
| Apprenticeship Training . . . . .                 | 2 773            | 6 607            | 6 689            | 4 159            | 838                          |
| Education Program for Unemployed Youth . . . . .  | ..               | 500              | 1 466            | 3 000            | 3 487                        |
| Legal Aid . . . . .                               | 1 000            | 1 000            | 80               | 21               | 175                          |
| Family Court . . . . .                            | 760              | 819              | 1 065            | ..               | ..                           |
| Road Safety Practices . . . . .                   | 150              | 150              | 150              | 150              | 150                          |
| Research Grants . . . . .                         | 6 000            | 11 171           | 10 155           | 11 734           | 12 370                       |
| Local Government Tax Sharing Assistance . . . . . | 79 908           | 140 000          | 165 328          | 179 427          | 221 739                      |
| Regional Organisations Assistance . . . . .       | 138              | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..                           |
| Natural Disaster Relief . . . . .                 | 807              | 1 925            | 2 311            | 2 679            | 204                          |
| <b>Total Specific Purpose Payments—</b>           |                  |                  |                  |                  |                              |
| <b>Recurrent . . . . .</b>                        | <b>2 315 949</b> | <b>2 387 561</b> | <b>2 873 903</b> | <b>3 047 764</b> | <b>3 388 860</b>             |

Table 111—Six States Total—Commonwealth Payments and Loan Council Borrowings(a), 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)—continued

|   | 1975-76 | 1976-77 | 1977-78 | 1978-79 | 1979-80<br>(estimate)<br>(b) |
|---|---------|---------|---------|---------|------------------------------|
| SPECIFIC PURPOSE PAYMENTS—CAPITAL PURPOSES        |         |         |         |         |                              |
| Housing for Servicemen . . . . .                  | 34 170  | 35 114  | 22 519  | 11 600  | 1 507                        |
| Universities . . . . .                            | 48 827  | 56 958  | 52 392  | 51 143  | 47 600                       |
| Colleges of Advanced Education . . . . .          | 86 753  | 77 555  | 54 006  | 68 155  | 45 200                       |
| Technical and Further Education . . . . .         | 24 600  | 33 708  | 46 425  | 64 970  | 74 000                       |
| Schools . . . . .                                 | 143 631 | 147 766 | 183 457 | 178 956 | 150 685                      |
| Education—Allowance for Cost Escalation . . . . . | 1 670   | 39      | ..      | ..      | 15 000                       |
| Child Migrant and Refugee Education . . . . .     | 1 670   | 39      | ..      | 129     | 280                          |
| Hospitals—Capital Development . . . . .           | 107 150 | 106 960 | 44 540  | ..      | ..                           |
| Launceston General Hospital . . . . .             | ..      | 1 040   | 3 350   | 4 959   | 5 500                        |
| Nursing Homes . . . . .                           | 925     | 652     | ..      | ..      | ..                           |
| Community Health Program . . . . .                | 13 767  | 14 114  | 10 411  | 6 125   | 3 120                        |
| Tuberculosis Control . . . . .                    | 241     | 125     | ..      | ..      | ..                           |
| School Dental Scheme . . . . .                    | 13 455  | 7 695   | 8 265   | 4 096   | 3 010                        |
| Blood Transfusion Services . . . . .              | 160     | 118     | 730     | 1 149   | 402                          |
| Disposal of Ships' Garbage . . . . .              | 76      | 7       | 2       | 4       | 220                          |
| High Security Quarantine Unit . . . . .           | ..      | ..      | 200     | 89      | 1 000                        |
| Senior Citizens Centres . . . . .                 | 3 561   | 3 997   | 3 946   | 3 050   | 4 000                        |
| Pre-Schools and Child Care . . . . .              | 11 797  | 11 375  | 8 000   | 1 033   | 750                          |
| Rehabilitation Centre—Hobart . . . . .            | 214     | 397     | 922     | 917     | 850                          |
| Aboriginal Advancement . . . . .                  | 22 054  | 16 863  | 12 474  | 13 643  | 12 872                       |
| Housing . . . . .                                 | 364 600 | 375 000 | 390 000 | 316 000 | 160 000                      |
| Pensioner Housing . . . . .                       | 13 117  | 10 835  | 10 000  | 14 000  | 100 000                      |
| Growth Centres . . . . .                          | 69 218  | 43 714  | 25 640  | 24 822  | 27 197                       |
| Area Improvement . . . . .                        | 13 560  | 618     | ..      | ..      | ..                           |
| Urban Flood Mitigation . . . . .                  | 2 160   | 1 674   | 992     | 818     | 62                           |
| Land Acquisition . . . . .                        | 54 353  | 23 951  | 26 260  | 14 587  | 15 699                       |
| Woolloomooloo Redevelopment . . . . .             | 5 813   | 2 845   | 213     | 275     | 781                          |
| Air Quality Monitoring . . . . .                  | 191     | ..      | 80      | 70      | ..                           |
| Captains Flat Project . . . . .                   | 890     | 1 030   | ..      | 144     | 38                           |
| Legana Industrial Estate—Tasmania . . . . .       | ..      | ..      | ..      | ..      | 200                          |
| Sewerage . . . . .                                | 112 051 | 48 302  | ..      | ..      | ..                           |
| Community Facilities—Townsville . . . . .         | ..      | 25      | ..      | ..      | ..                           |
| Leisure and Recreation/Culture . . . . .          | 5 881   | 5 640   | 3 229   | 652     | 371                          |
| Nature Conservation . . . . .                     | 1 268   | 2 082   | 70      | 125     | ..                           |
| National Estate . . . . .                         | 3 887   | 1 254   | 2 241   | 2 490   | 1 800                        |
| Port Arthur Conservation Program . . . . .        | ..      | ..      | ..      | ..      | 400                          |
| 1982 Commonwealth Games Assistance . . . . .      | ..      | ..      | ..      | 2 500   | 2 500                        |
| Roads . . . . .                                   | 433 513 | 433 788 | 477 912 | 508 000 | 546 000                      |
| Second Hobart Bridge Study . . . . .              | 63      | 584     | 518     | 49      | 1 000                        |
| Railway Projects . . . . .                        | 4 960   | 810     | 34      | ..      | ..                           |
| Railway Mainline Upgrading . . . . .              | ..      | ..      | ..      | ..      | 11 000                       |
| Railways—Intersystem Advances . . . . .           | 81      | 255     | ..      | ..      | ..                           |
| Urban Public Transport . . . . .                  | 33 898  | 58 403  | 51 000  | 41 869  | 42 682                       |
| King Island Harbour Works . . . . .               | 242     | ..      | ..      | ..      | ..                           |
| Newcastle Drydock . . . . .                       | 1 164   | 15      | -305    | -178    | ..                           |
| Transport Planning and Research . . . . .         | 8 761   | 8 058   | 8 924   | 6 404   | 6 917                        |
| Tasman Bridge Disaster . . . . .                  | 16 300  | 13 785  | 5 870   | -725    | ..                           |
| Urban Water Supply . . . . .                      | 8 931   | 9 175   | 6 000   | 4 490   | ..                           |
| Gladstone Power Station . . . . .                 | 39 000  | 26 422  | 191     | ..      | ..                           |
| Ross River Dam . . . . .                          | 1 402   | 1 158   | ..      | ..      | ..                           |
| Julius Dam . . . . .                              | ..      | ..      | 325     | 500     | 250                          |
| Launceston Precision Tools Annexe . . . . .       | ..      | ..      | ..      | ..      | 343                          |
| King River Dam . . . . .                          | ..      | -25     | ..      | ..      | ..                           |
| Dartmouth Dam . . . . .                           | 8 400   | 5 625   | ..      | ..      | ..                           |
| Clare Weir . . . . .                              | 349     | 2 551   | ..      | ..      | ..                           |
| Namoi River Weirs . . . . .                       | ..      | 1 000   | 1 000   | ..      | ..                           |
| Bundaberg Irrigation Works . . . . .              | 2 500   | 11      | 1 500   | 950     | ..                           |
| Eton (Mackay) Irrigation Works . . . . .          | 1 999   | 814     | ..      | ..      | ..                           |
| Ord River Project . . . . .                       | 111     | 12      | 20      | ..      | 67                           |

Table 111—Six States Total—Commonwealth Payments and Loan Council Borrowings(a), 1975–76 to 1979–80 (\$ thousands)—continued

|  | 1975–76          | 1976–77          | 1977–78          | 1978–79          | 1979–80<br>(estimate)<br>(b) |
|--|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------------------|
| Lock to Kimba Pipeline . . . . .                 | 305              | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..                           |
| Tailm Bend to Keith Pipeline . . . . .           | 4                | 433              | 17               | ..               | ..                           |
| Water Resources Assessment . . . . .             | 5 911            | 6 596            | 6 660            | 8 014            | 18 849                       |
| Salinity Reduction Control . . . . .             | ..               | -1               | ..               | 1 800            | 2 565                        |
| Water Hyacinth Control . . . . .                 | ..               | ..               | ..               | 15               | ..                           |
| Flood Mitigation . . . . .                       | 1 966            | 77               | 1 236            | 1 062            | 1 000                        |
| Softwood Forestry . . . . .                      | 7 937            | 7 934            | 360              | 7 665            | 6 000                        |
| Native Forestry Assistance—Tasmania . . . . .    | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..               | 372                          |
| Dairy Adjustment Program . . . . .               | 18 716           | 6 337            | 1 015            | ..               | ..                           |
| Rural Adjustment Scheme . . . . .                | ..               | 9 588            | 40 243           | 46 977           | 18 700                       |
| Beef Industry Assistance . . . . .               | 11 298           | 3 478            | 33               | -3               | ..                           |
| Rural Reconstruction . . . . .                   | 30 000           | 19 938           | 2 932            | ..               | ..                           |
| Fruitgrowing Industry . . . . .                  | 392              | 1 189            | 679              | -20              | ..                           |
| Sugar Industry . . . . .                         | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..               | 27 500                       |
| Canned Fruit Industry . . . . .                  | 2 457            | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..                           |
| Tourism Development . . . . .                    | 1 829            | 832              | ..               | ..               | ..                           |
| Assistance for Mount Lyell Mining . . . . .      | ..               | ..               | 3 383            | ..               | 343                          |
| Assistance for Chrysotile Corporation . . . . .  | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..               | 1 400                        |
| Cheynes Beach Whale Company Assistance . . . . . | ..               | ..               | ..               | 25               | ..                           |
| Soil Conservation . . . . .                      | 1 231            | 180              | 95               | 105              | ..                           |
| Brigalow Lands Development Scheme . . . . .      | 2 296            | 1 909            | ..               | ..               | ..                           |
| Natural Disaster Relief . . . . .                | 30 248           | 28 525           | 55 189           | 24 288           | 5 296                        |
| <b>Total Specific Purpose Payments—Capital</b>   | <b>1 836 304</b> | <b>1 680 909</b> | <b>1 575 195</b> | <b>1 437 787</b> | <b>1 365 326</b>             |

TOTAL PAYMENTS(f)

|  |           |           |           |           |            |
|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|
|  | 7 694 166 | 8 243 064 | 9 268 470 | 9 763 856 | 10 601 186 |
|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|

TOTAL PAYMENTS AND LOAN COUNCIL BORROWINGS

|                              |                  |                  |                   |                   |                   |
|------------------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| General Purpose(g) . . . . . | 4 402 580        | 5 078 594        | 5 775 238         | 6 234 172         | 6 677 000         |
| Specific Purpose . . . . .   | 4 152 253        | 4 068 470        | 4 449 099         | 4 485 551         | 4 754 186         |
| <b>Total . . . . .</b>       | <b>8 554 833</b> | <b>9 147 064</b> | <b>10 224 337</b> | <b>10 719 723</b> | <b>11 431 186</b> |

(a) That is, Commonwealth payments to State Governments and Loan Council borrowing programs. Excludes Commonwealth payments made direct to other levels of government, details of which are given in Chapters 5 and 6.

(b) Important qualifications attach to the 1979–80 estimates in some cases. See relevant sections of the text.

(c) Financial assistance grants up to 1975–76; the states' personal income tax sharing entitlements from the beginning of 1976–77.

(d) See Chapter 3, under the heading 'Treatment of Loan Council Programs in this and other Budget Papers'.

(e) Western Australia was underpaid by \$3 000 in 1977–78 which was adjusted in 1978–79.

(f) Comprising General Revenue Funds, Specific Purpose Payments and General Purpose Capital Grants—that is, all amounts shown above with the exception of the Loan Council Borrowing Programs. See footnote (d)

(g) Comprising General Revenue Funds, Loan Council Borrowings and General Purpose Capital Grants. See footnote (d).

**Table 112—New South Wales—Commonwealth Payments and Loan Council Borrowings(a), 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|   | 1975-76        | 1976-77          | 1977-78          | 1978-79          | 1979-80<br>(estimate)<br>(b) |
|---|----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------------------|
| <b>GENERAL REVENUE FUNDS</b>                        |                |                  |                  |                  |                              |
| Financial Assistance Grants/Personal Income         |                |                  |                  |                  |                              |
| Tax Sharing Entitlements(c)                         | 946 660        | 1 133 400        | 1 327 143        | 1 464 397        | 1 667 200                    |
| Adjustments for Previous Year                       | ..             | ..               | -7 534           | ..               | ..                           |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>946 660</b> | <b>1 133 400</b> | <b>1 319 609</b> | <b>1 464 397</b> | <b>1 667 200</b>             |
| <b>GENERAL PURPOSE CAPITAL FUNDS(d)</b>             |                |                  |                  |                  |                              |
| Loan Council Borrowings                             | 274 114        | 287 915          | 308 978          | 308 978          | 268 293                      |
| Capital Grants                                      | 137 057        | 143 958          | 154 489          | 154 489          | 134 146                      |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>411 171</b> | <b>431 873</b>   | <b>463 467</b>   | <b>463 467</b>   | <b>402 439</b>               |
| <b>SPECIFIC PURPOSE PAYMENTS—RECURRENT PURPOSES</b> |                |                  |                  |                  |                              |
| <b>Payments under Financial Agreement—</b>          |                |                  |                  |                  |                              |
| Interest on State Debt                              | 5 835          | 5 835            | 5 835            | 5 835            | 5 835                        |
| Sinking Fund on State Debt                          | 9 900          | 10 506           | 11 168           | 11 876           | 12 599                       |
| State Emergency Services                            | 298            | 355              | 455              | 472              | 486                          |
| Universities  | 168 831        | 199 633          | 222 893          | 230 197          | 239 900                      |
| Colleges of Advanced Education                      | 69 089         | 90 831           | 98 303           | 105 103          | 109 100                      |
| Technical and Further Education                     | 17 652         | 16 714           | 19 184           | 21 061           | 23 000                       |
| Schools   | 125 395        | 151 153          | 171 540          | 180 739          | 189 741                      |
| Education—Allowance for Cost Escalation             | ..             | 67               | ..               | ..               | 28 000                       |
| Child Migrant and Refugee Education                 | 2 720          | ..               | 165              | 727              | 955                          |
| Educational Research                                | 253            | 259              | 184              | 159              | 194                          |
| Public Hospitals—Running Costs                      | 317 177        | 234 399          | 346 438          | 383 785          | 438 000                      |
| Community Health Program                            | 19 284         | 25 606           | 27 118           | 17 203           | 20 270                       |
| Tuberculosis Control                                | 3 030          | 390              | 1 626            | ..               | ..                           |
| School Dental Scheme                                | 1 845          | 3 589            | 2 911            | 2 374            | 3 790                        |
| Health Education Campaigns                          | 222            | 212              | 225              | 280              | 380                          |
| Blood Transfusion Services                          | 1 357          | 1 471            | 1 495            | 1 769            | 1 870                        |
| Health Planning Agencies                            | 200            | 230              | 166              | 100              | 100                          |
| Home Dialysis Scheme                                | 187            | 801              | ..               | ..               | ..                           |
| Australian Encephalitis Control                     | 3              | 8                | 6                | 3                | 23                           |
| Home Care Services                                  | 717            | 1 567            | 1 933            | 1 875            | 2 017                        |
| Senior Citizens Centres                             | 369            | 253              | 226              | 300              | 315                          |
| Assistance for Deserted Wives                       | 2 344          | 3 837            | 6 376            | 9 521            | 9 400                        |
| Pre-Schools and Child Care                          | 9 030          | 8 532            | 9 815            | 9 591            | 10 430                       |
| Employment Grants                                   | 11 700         | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..                           |
| Regional Employment Development Scheme              | 207            | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..                           |
| 1972-74 Employment Grants—Refunds                   | ..             | ..               | -408             | ..               | ..                           |
| Social Policy Planning Units                        | 45             | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..                           |
| Translate/Interpreting Services                     | ..             | ..               | ..               | ..               | 122                          |
| Aboriginal Advancement                              | 2 861          | 2 683            | 3 014            | 2 982            | 3 189                        |
| Housing   | 2 292          | 1 848            | 1 848            | 1 848            | 1 848                        |
| Area Improvement                                    | 537            | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..                           |
| Sewerage  | 487            | 189              | ..               | ..               | ..                           |
| Leisure and Recreation/Culture                      | 117            | 117              | 45               | 45               | 45                           |
| Water Hyacinth Control                              | ..             | 35               | 50               | ..               | ..                           |
| Bovine Brucellosis and T.B. Eradication             | 2 186          | 3 545            | 4 535            | 7 422            | 8 350                        |
| Exotic Diseases Eradication                         | ..             | ..               | ..               | 1                | ..                           |
| Agricultural Extension Services                     | 2 359          | 2 578            | 2 592            | 2 597            | 1 274                        |
| Minor Agricultural Research                         | 81             | 69               | 82               | 80               | 147                          |
| Frawl and Danish Seine Fishery                      | 9              | 31               | 21               | 8                | ..                           |
| Locust Control                                      | 377            | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..                           |
| Warehouse Beetle Eradication                        | ..             | ..               | 156              | 84               | 41                           |
| Coal Mining Industry—Long Service Leave             | 2 779          | 3 936            | 4 759            | 5 447            | 6 000                        |

Table 112—New South Wales—Commonwealth Payments and Loan Council Borrowings(a), 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)—continued

|   | 1975-76        | 1976-77        | 1977-78          | 1978-79          | 1979-80<br>(estimate)<br>(b) |
|---|----------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------------------|
| Apprenticeship Training . . . . .                     | 757            | 1 822          | 2 099            | 1 393            | 265                          |
| Education Programme for Unemployed Youth . . . . .    | ..             | 170            | 376              | 634              | 800                          |
| Legal Aid . . . . .                                   | 331            | 331            | ..               | ..               | 28                           |
| Road Safety Practices . . . . .                       | 37             | 37             | 37               | 37               | 37                           |
| Research Grants . . . . .                             | 2 340          | 4 086          | 3 867            | 4 322            | 4 577                        |
| Local Government Tax Sharing Assistance . . . . .     | 29 257         | 51 289         | 60 341           | 65 487           | 80 930                       |
| Regional Organisations Assistance . . . . .           | 44             | ..             | ..               | ..               | ..                           |
| Natural Disaster Relief . . . . .                     | 637            | 1 233          | 1 237            | 265              | ..                           |
| <b>Total Specific Purpose Payments—<br/>Recurrent</b> | <b>815 178</b> | <b>830 247</b> | <b>1 012 713</b> | <b>1 075 623</b> | <b>1 204 058</b>             |



Table 112—New South Wales—Commonwealth Payments and Loan Council Borrowings(a), 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)—continued

|   | 1975-76        | 1976-77        | 1977-78        | 1978-79        | 1979-80<br>(estimate)<br>(b) |
|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|------------------------------|
| <b>SPECIFIC PURPOSE PAYMENTS—CAPITAL PURPOSES</b> |                |                |                |                |                              |
| Housing for Servicemen . . . . .                  | 18 005         | 15 280         | 7 947          | 5 423          | 865                          |
| Universities . . . . .                            | 21 754         | 17 552         | 17 909         | 21 840         | 22 200                       |
| Colleges of Advanced Education . . . . .          | 23 716         | 27 200         | 11 886         | 20 070         | 12 800                       |
| Technical and Further Education . . . . .         | 8 919          | 12 262         | 15 162         | 19 279         | 23 700                       |
| Schools . . . . .                                 | 45 886         | 48 683         | 57 952         | 58 954         | 52 900                       |
| Education—Allowance for Cost Escalation . . . . . | ..             | ..             | ..             | ..             | 6 000                        |
| Child Migrant and Refugee Education . . . . .     | 405            | 2              | ..             | ..             | 100                          |
| Hospitals—Capital Development . . . . .           | 37 700         | 36 000         | 15 810         | ..             | ..                           |
| Community Health Program . . . . .                | 5 146          | 3 328          | 3 319          | 2 468          | 1 100                        |
| Tuberculosis Control . . . . .                    | 2              | 15             | ..             | ..             | ..                           |
| School Dental Scheme . . . . .                    | 2 115          | 2 191          | 1 069          | 976            | 600                          |
| Blood Transfusion Services . . . . .              | 34             | 15             | 102            | 100            | 111                          |
| Disposal of Ships' Garbage . . . . .              | ..             | ..             | ..             | ..             | 42                           |
| Senior Citizens Centres . . . . .                 | 964            | 891            | 1 064          | 1 200          | 1 472                        |
| Pre-Schools and Child Care . . . . .              | 3 165          | 6 592          | 3 678          | 604            | 500                          |
| Aboriginal Advancement . . . . .                  | 5 322          | 3 493          | 2 654          | 3 057          | 3 431                        |
| Housing . . . . .                                 | 123 411        | 123 411        | 128 011        | 103 721        | 52 512                       |
| Pensioner Housing . . . . .                       | 6 858          | 2 352          | 4 070          | 5 695          | (e)12 132                    |
| Growth Centres . . . . .                          | 44 213         | 26 596         | 15 342         | 16 231         | 17 874                       |
| Area Improvement . . . . .                        | 5 574          | 120            | ..             | ..             | ..                           |
| Land Acquisition . . . . .                        | 11 746         | 3 817          | 4 287          | 2 137          | 2 338                        |
| Woolloomooloo Redevelopment . . . . .             | 5 813          | 2 845          | 213            | 275            | 781                          |
| Air Quality Monitoring . . . . .                  | 33             | ..             | ..             | 30             | ..                           |
| Captains Flat Project . . . . .                   | 890            | 1 030          | ..             | 144            | 38                           |
| Sewerage . . . . .                                | 42 800         | 19 700         | ..             | ..             | ..                           |
| Leisure and Recreation/Culture . . . . .          | 1 762          | 1 208          | 570            | 250            | 110                          |
| Nature Conservation . . . . .                     | 445            | 362            | ..             | ..             | ..                           |
| National Estate . . . . .                         | 946            | ..             | 373            | 415            | 300                          |
| Roads . . . . .                                   | 133 504        | 135 489        | 155 611        | 164 485        | 176 789                      |
| Railway Mainline Upgrading . . . . .              | ..             | ..             | ..             | ..             | 5 500                        |
| Railways—Intersystem Advances . . . . .           | 10             | 384            | ..             | ..             | ..                           |
| Urban Public Transport . . . . .                  | 5 694          | 24 596         | 20 395         | 14 000         | 14 126                       |
| Newcastle Drydock . . . . .                       | 1 164          | 15             | -305           | -178           | ..                           |
| Transport Planning and Research . . . . .         | 2 728          | 2 672          | 3 495          | 2 484          | 2 670                        |
| Dartmouth Dam . . . . .                           | 2 800          | 1 875          | ..             | ..             | ..                           |
| Namoi River Weirs . . . . .                       | ..             | 1 000          | 1 000          | ..             | ..                           |
| Water Resources Assessment . . . . .              | 1 499          | 1 630          | 1 630          | 1 755          | n.a.                         |
| Salinity Reduction Control . . . . .              | ..             | ..             | ..             | 1 000          | 1 425                        |
| Water Hyacinth Control . . . . .                  | ..             | ..             | ..             | 15             | ..                           |
| Flood Mitigation . . . . .                        | 1 966          | ..             | 1 000          | 1 000          | 1 000                        |
| Softwood Forestry . . . . .                       | 2 456          | 2 497          | 374            | 3 175          | 1 985                        |
| Dairy Adjustment Program . . . . .                | 665            | 338            | ..             | ..             | ..                           |
| Rural Adjustment Scheme . . . . .                 | ..             | 1 700          | 7 660          | 11 908         | 6 800                        |
| Beef Industry Assistance . . . . .                | 2 892          | 730            | ..             | ..             | ..                           |
| Rural Reconstruction . . . . .                    | 7 250          | 5 300          | 2 190          | ..             | ..                           |
| Fruitgrowing Industry . . . . .                   | ..             | 41             | ..             | -28            | ..                           |
| Canned Fruit Industry . . . . .                   | 338            | ..             | ..             | ..             | ..                           |
| Tourism Development . . . . .                     | 543            | 74             | ..             | ..             | ..                           |
| Assistance for Chrysolite Corporation . . . . .   | ..             | ..             | ..             | ..             | 1 400                        |
| Soil Conservation . . . . .                       | ..             | ..             | ..             | 40             | ..                           |
| Natural Disaster Relief . . . . .                 | 13 268         | 11 496         | 8 430          | 2 879          | ..                           |
| <b>Total Specific Purpose Payments—Capital</b>    | <b>594 400</b> | <b>544 781</b> | <b>492 898</b> | <b>465 404</b> | <b>448 924</b>               |
| <b>TOTAL PAYMENTS(f)</b>                          |                |                |                |                |                              |
|   | 2 493 296      | 2 652 386      | 2 979 709      | 3 159 913      | 3 454 328                    |

Table 112—New South Wales—Commonwealth Payments and Loan Council Borrowings(a), 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)—continued

|   | 1975-76   | 1976-77   | 1977-78   | 1978-79   | 1979-80<br>(estimate)<br>(b) |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------------------------|
| <b>TOTAL PAYMENTS AND LOAN COUNCIL BORROWINGS</b> |           |           |           |           |                              |
| General Purpose(g)                                | 1 357 831 | 1 565 273 | 1 783 076 | 1 927 864 | 2 069 639                    |
| Specific Purpose                                  | 1 409 579 | 1 375 028 | 1 505 611 | 1 541 027 | 1 652 982                    |
| Total   | 2 767 410 | 2 940 301 | 3 288 687 | 3 468 891 | 3 722 621                    |

- (a) That is, Commonwealth payments to State Governments and Loan Council borrowing programs. Excludes Commonwealth payments made direct to other levels of government, details of which are given in Chapters 5 and 6.
- (b) Important qualifications attach to the 1979-80 estimates in some cases. See relevant sections of the text.
- (c) Financial assistance grants up to 1975-76; the States' personal income tax sharing entitlements from the beginning of 1976-77.
- (d) See Chapter 3, under the heading 'Treatment of Loan Council Programs in this and other Budget Papers'.
- (e) Estimated amount relating to Pensioner Housing Grants in 1979-80.—See Chapter IV and Table 36 for details.
- (f) Comprising general revenue funds, specific purpose payments and general purpose capital grants—that is, all amounts shown above with the exception of the Loan Council borrowing programs. See footnote (d).
- (g) Comprising general revenue funds, Loan Council borrowings and general purpose capital grants. See footnote (d).



Table 113—Victoria—Commonwealth Payments and Loan Council Borrowings(a), 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)

|   | 1975-76 | 1976-77 | 1977-78 | 1978-79   | 1979-80<br>(estimate)<br>(b) |
|---|---------|---------|---------|-----------|------------------------------|
| <b>GENERAL REVENUE FUNDS</b>                        |         |         |         |           |                              |
| Financial Assistance Grants/Personal Income Tax     |         |         |         |           |                              |
| Sharing Entitlements(c)                             | 706 389 | 841 700 | 985 667 | 1 090 025 | 1 237 600                    |
| Adjustments for Previous Year                       | ..      | ..      | -976    | ..        | ..                           |
| Total   | 706 389 | 841 700 | 984 690 | 1 090 025 | 1 237 600                    |
| <b>GENERAL PURPOSE CAPITAL FUNDS(d)</b>             |         |         |         |           |                              |
| Loan Council Borrowings                             | 217 744 | 228 706 | 240 142 | 240 142   | 208 521                      |
| Capital Grants                                      | 108 871 | 114 354 | 120 071 | 120 071   | 104 260                      |
| Total   | 326 615 | 343 060 | 360 213 | 360 213   | 312 781                      |
| <b>SPECIFIC PURPOSE PAYMENTS—RECURRENT PURPOSES</b> |         |         |         |           |                              |
| Payments Under Financial Agreement—                 |         |         |         |           |                              |
| Interest on State Debt                              | 4 254   | 4 254   | 4 254   | 4 254     | 4 254                        |
| Sinking Fund on State Debt                          | 7 500   | 8 003   | 8 540   | 9 098     | 9 652                        |
| State Emergency Services                            | 119     | 260     | 303     | 370       | 333                          |
| Universities  | 110 717 | 134 763 | 152 808 | 158 860   | 164 500                      |
| Colleges of Advanced Education                      | 111 307 | 135 960 | 141 522 | 146 456   | 152 600                      |
| Technical and Further Education                     | 9 653   | 13 866  | 11 163  | 13 509    | 15 304                       |
| Schools   | 100 354 | 134 939 | 138 250 | 152 062   | 160 567                      |
| Education—Allowance for Cost Escalation             | ..      | ..      | ..      | ..        | 24 000                       |
| Child Migrant and Refugee Education                 | 3 559   | 46      | 41      | 521       | 885                          |
| Educational Research                                | 431     | 314     | 240     | 302       | 262                          |
| Public Hospitals Running Costs                      | 229 570 | 149 903 | 228 557 | 252 575   | 278 000                      |
| Community Health Program                            | 7 712   | 11 355  | 14 239  | 10 528    | 13 680                       |
| Tuberculosis Control                                | 4 604   | 3 277   | ..      | ..        | ..                           |
| School Dental Scheme                                | 1 351   | 1 891   | 2 121   | 2 389     | 3 470                        |
| Health Education Campaigns                          | 160     | 151     | 162     | 206       | 206                          |
| Blood Transfusion Services                          | 1 009   | 1 303   | 1 376   | 1 823     | 2 039                        |
| Health Planning Agencies                            | 20      | 24      | 24      | 33        | 60                           |
| Home Dialysis Scheme                                | 29      | 760     | 3       | ..        | ..                           |
| Australian Encephalitis Control                     | 55      | 34      | 43      | 31        | 44                           |
| Home Care Services                                  | 2 178   | 2 018   | 2 520   | 3 450     | 3 700                        |
| Senior Citizens Centres                             | 222     | 293     | 328     | 350       | 562                          |
| Paramedical Services                                | 233     | 263     | 283     | 380       | 352                          |
| Assistance for Deserted Wives                       | 2 016   | 2 824   | 4 003   | 4 917     | 5 600                        |
| Pre-Schools and Child Care                          | 11 452  | 12 722  | 14 001  | 11 492    | 12 215                       |
| Employment Grants                                   | 8 200   | ..      | ..      | ..        | ..                           |
| Regional Employment Development Scheme              | 5 404   | ..      | ..      | ..        | ..                           |
| 1972-74 Employment Grants—Refunds                   | ..      | -174    | ..      | ..        | ..                           |
| Social Policy Planning Units                        | 22      | ..      | ..      | ..        | ..                           |
| Community Welfare Relief                            | ..      | ..      | 50      | ..        | ..                           |
| Translate/Interpretation Services                   | ..      | ..      | ..      | ..        | 128                          |
| Aboriginal Advancement                              | 876     | 1 254   | 1 409   | 1 331     | 1 605                        |
| Housing   | 1 679   | 1 347   | 1 347   | 1 347     | 1 347                        |
| Area Improvement                                    | 557     | ..      | ..      | ..        | ..                           |
| Sewerage  | 164     | 664     | 100     | ..        | ..                           |
| Leisure and Recreation/Culture                      | 117     | 117     | 42      | 42        | 42                           |
| Apple Export Assistance                             | 65      | 8       | 16      | 27        | 225                          |
| Bovine Brucellosis and T.B. Eradication             | 2 459   | 4 938   | 5 858   | 6 980     | 6 754                        |
| Exotic Diseases Eradication                         | ..      | 120     | ..      | ..        | ..                           |
| Agricultural Extension Services                     | 2 022   | 2 291   | 2 341   | 2 307     | 1 135                        |
| Minor Agricultural Research                         | 63      | 58      | 22      | 50        | 98                           |
| Apprenticeship Training                             | 852     | 2 804   | 2 123   | 1 062     | 120                          |
| Education Program for Unemployed Youth              | ..      | 127     | 272     | 679       | 777                          |

*Table 113—Victoria—Commonwealth Payments and Loan Council Borrowings(a), 1975–76 to 1979–80 (\$ thousands)—continued*

|   | 1975–76          | 1976–77          | 1977–78          | 1978–79          | 1979–80<br>(estimate)<br>(b) |
|---|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------------------|
| Legal Aid . . . . .   | 276              | 286              | 80               | 21               | 35                           |
| Road Safety Practices . . . . .                                 | 30               | 30               | 30               | 30               | 30                           |
| Research Grants . . . . .                                       | 1 553            | 3 014            | 2 470            | 2 856            | 2 907                        |
| Local Government Tax Sharing Assistance . . . . .               | 20 242           | 35 398           | 42 078           | 45 666           | 56 436                       |
| Regional Organisations Assistance . . . . .                     | 29               | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..                           |
| Natural Disaster Relief . . . . .                               | 35               | 452              | 99               | 7                | ..                           |
| <b>Total Specific Purpose Payments—<br/>Recurrent . . . . .</b> | <b>653 151</b>   | <b>671 958</b>   | <b>783 117</b>   | <b>836 013</b>   | <b>923 921</b>               |
| <b>SPECIFIC PURPOSE PAYMENTS—CAPITAL PURPOSES</b>               |                  |                  |                  |                  |                              |
| Housing for Servicemen . . . . .                                | 6 082            | 4 191            | 753              | 948              | 290                          |
| Universities . . . . .  | 9 516            | 10 459           | 11 842           | 10 849           | 9 600                        |
| Colleges of Advanced Education . . . . .                        | 34 313           | 25 971           | 18 968           | 23 112           | 19 700                       |
| Technical and Further Education . . . . .                       | 7 376            | 9 333            | 12 728           | 19 592           | 19 800                       |
| Schools . . . . .   | 49 285           | 45 056           | 51 273           | 48 993           | 43 639                       |
| Education—Allowance for Cost Escalation . . . . .               | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..               | 4 000                        |
| Child Migrant and Refugee Education . . . . .                   | 943              | 5                | ..               | 88               | 50                           |
| Hospitals—Capital Development . . . . .                         | 27 280           | 27 000           | 11 800           | ..               | ..                           |
| Community Health Program . . . . .                              | 3 151            | 3 660            | 3 430            | 1 945            | 1 210                        |
| Tuberculosis Control . . . . .                                  | 2                | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..                           |
| School Dental Scheme . . . . .                                  | 2 044            | 1 711            | 1 740            | 963              | 1 102                        |
| Blood Transfusion Services . . . . .                            | 75               | 53               | 513              | 909              | 122                          |
| Disposal of Ships' Garbage . . . . .                            | 29               | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..                           |
| High Security Quarantine Unit . . . . .                         | ..               | ..               | 200              | 89               | 1 000                        |
| Senior Citizens Centres . . . . .                               | 1 292            | 1 571            | 1 616            | 608              | 1 068                        |
| Pre-Schools and Child Care . . . . .                            | 1 345            | 4 160            | 4 202            | 323              | 100                          |
| Aboriginal Advancement . . . . .                                | 482              | 682              | 400              | 237              | 275                          |
| Housing . . . . .   | 98 159           | 98 159           | 101 759          | 82 451           | 41 744                       |
| Pensioner Housing . . . . .                                     | 2 827            | 3 419            | 2 530            | 3 388            | (e)7 186                     |
| Growth Centres . . . . .  | 22 521           | 16 093           | 9 140            | 7 391            | 8 012                        |
| Area Improvement . . . . .                                      | 4 339            | 28               | ..               | ..               | ..                           |
| Urban Flood Mitigation . . . . .                                | 100              | 100              | ..               | ..               | ..                           |
| Land Acquisition . . . . .                                      | 15 639           | 4 926            | 5 340            | 3 201            | 3 267                        |
| Air Quality Monitoring . . . . .                                | 33               | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..                           |
| Sewerage . . . . .  | 35 400           | 17 100           | ..               | ..               | ..                           |
| Leisure and Recreation/Culture . . . . .                        | 1 560            | 972              | 450              | 92               | ..                           |
| Nature Conservation . . . . .                                   | 35               | 360              | ..               | 100              | ..                           |
| National Estate . . . . .                                       | 550              | 591              | 370              | 415              | 300                          |
| Roads . . . . .   | 89 080           | 91 100           | 98 900           | 105 771          | 113 683                      |
| Railway Mainline Upgrading . . . . .                            | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..               | 3 500                        |
| Urban Public Transport . . . . .                                | 9 332            | 15 885           | 9 830            | 12 000           | 12 134                       |
| Transport Planning and Research . . . . .                       | 3 106            | 2 193            | 2 411            | 1 714            | 1 842                        |
| King River Dam . . . . .  | ..               | -25              | ..               | ..               | ..                           |
| Dartmouth Dam . . . . .   | 2 800            | 1 875            | ..               | ..               | ..                           |
| Water Resources Assessment . . . . .                            | 891              | 1 136            | 1 136            | 1 136            | n.a.                         |
| Salinity Reduction Control . . . . .                            | ..               | -1               | ..               | 550              | 785                          |
| Softwood Forestry . . . . .                                     | 900              | 1 686            | 73               | 613              | 348                          |
| Dairy Adjustment Program . . . . .                              | 10 065           | 4 208            | 604              | ..               | ..                           |
| Rural Adjustment Scheme . . . . .                               | ..               | 3 483            | 11 522           | 10 378           | 4 100                        |
| Beef Industry Assistance . . . . .                              | 1 164            | 349              | ..               | ..               | ..                           |
| Rural Reconstruction . . . . .                                  | 6 700            | 3 800            | 24               | ..               | ..                           |
| Fruitgrowing Industry . . . . .                                 | 102              | 774              | 223              | ..               | ..                           |
| Canned Fruit Industry . . . . .                                 | 1 706            | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..                           |
| Tourism Development . . . . .                                   | 511              | 59               | ..               | ..               | ..                           |
| Soil Conservation . . . . .                                     | 467              | 64               | ..               | 30               | ..                           |
| Natural Disaster Relief . . . . .                               | 6 215            | 2 428            | 1 813            | 1 006            | ..                           |
| <b>Total Specific Purpose Payments—Capital</b>                  | <b>457 417</b>   | <b>404 616</b>   | <b>365 590</b>   | <b>338 892</b>   | <b>319 819</b>               |
| <b>TOTAL PAYMENTS(f)</b>  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                              |
|   | <b>1 925 827</b> | <b>2 032 627</b> | <b>2 253 468</b> | <b>2 385 000</b> | <b>2 585 601</b>             |

Table 113—Victoria—Commonwealth Payments and Loan Council Borrowings(a), 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)—continued

|  | 1975-76          | 1976-77          | 1977-78          | 1978-79          | 1979-80<br>(estimate)<br>(b) |
|--|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------------------|
| TOTAL PAYMENTS AND LOAN COUNCIL BORROWINGS |                  |                  |                  |                  |                              |
| General Purpose(g)                         | 1 033 004        | 1 184 760        | 1 344 903        | 1 450 238        | 1 550 381                    |
| Specific Purpose                           | 1 110 567        | 1 076 573        | 1 148 707        | 1 174 905        | 1 243 741                    |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                               | <b>2 143 571</b> | <b>2 261 333</b> | <b>2 493 610</b> | <b>2 625 142</b> | <b>2 794 122</b>             |

(a) That is, Commonwealth payments to State Governments and Loan Council borrowing programs. Excludes Commonwealth payments made direct to other levels of government, details of which are given in Chapters 5 and 6.

(b) Important qualifications attach to the 1979-80 estimates in some cases. See relevant sections of the text.

(c) Financial assistance grants up to 1975-76; the States' personal income tax sharing entitlements from the beginning of 1976-77.

(d) See Chapter 3, under the heading 'Treatment of Loan Council Programs in this and other Budget Papers'.

(e) Estimated amount relating to Pensioner Housing Grants in 1979-80.—See Chapter IV and Table 36 for details.

(f) Comprising general revenue funds, specific purpose payments and general purpose capital grants—that is, all amounts shown above with the exception of the Loan Council borrowing programs. See footnote (d).

(g) Comprising general revenue funds, Loan Council borrowings and general purpose capital grants. See footnote (d).

**Table 114—Queensland—Commonwealth Payments and Loan Council Borrowings(a), 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|   | 1975-76        | 1976-77        | 1977-78        | 1978-79        | 1979-80<br>(estimated)<br>(£) |
|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------------------|
| <b>GENERAL REVENUE FUNDS</b>                        |                |                |                |                |                               |
| Financial Assistance Grants/Personal Income Tax     |                |                |                |                |                               |
| Sharing Entitlements(c) . . . . .                   | 536 792        | 660 200        | 777 608        | 844 137        | 947 800                       |
| Adjustments for Previous Year . . . . .             | ..             | ..             | -7 069         | ..             | ..                            |
| Special Grants . . . . .                            | 36 300         | 27 000         | 24 800         | 21 700         | 12 400                        |
| <b>Total . . . . .</b>                              | <b>573 092</b> | <b>687 200</b> | <b>795 339</b> | <b>865 837</b> | <b>960 200</b>                |
| <b>GENERAL PURPOSE CAPITAL FUNDS(d)</b>             |                |                |                |                |                               |
| Loan Council Borrowings . . . . .                   | 114 919        | 120 705        | 126 740        | 126 740        | 110 051                       |
| Capital Grants . . . . .                            | 57 459         | 60 352         | 63 370         | 63 370         | 55 026                        |
| <b>Total . . . . .</b>                              | <b>172 378</b> | <b>181 057</b> | <b>190 110</b> | <b>190 110</b> | <b>165 077</b>                |
| <b>SPECIFIC PURPOSE PAYMENTS—RECURRENT PURPOSES</b> |                |                |                |                |                               |
| Payments Under Financial Agreement—                 |                |                |                |                |                               |
| Interest on State Debt . . . . .                    | 2 192          | 2 192          | 2 192          | 2 192          | 2 192                         |
| Sinking Fund on State Debt . . . . .                | 3 900          | 4 165          | 4 447          | 4 740          | 5 029                         |
| State Emergency Services . . . . .                  | 269            | 302            | 379            | 373            | 375                           |
| Universities . . . . .                              | 57 185         | 69 427         | 78 127         | 80 980         | 85 100                        |
| Colleges of Advanced Education . . . . .            | 33 999         | 48 962         | 56 616         | 60 465         | 64 000                        |
| Technical and Further Education . . . . .           | 4 643          | 4 538          | 4 885          | 5 222          | 6 270                         |
| Schools . . . . .                                   | 46 162         | 56 058         | 59 853         | 66 818         | 71 749                        |
| Education—Allowance for Cost Escalation . . . . .   | ..             | ..             | ..             | ..             | 11 000                        |
| Child Migrant and Refugee Education . . . . .       | 195            | 2              | 15             | 172            | 165                           |
| Educational Research . . . . .                      | 190            | 216            | 166            | 131            | 188                           |
| Public Hospitals—Running Costs . . . . .            | 102 820        | 82 883         | 126 960        | 139 314        | 155 000                       |
| Community Health Program . . . . .                  | 3 643          | 4 797          | 5 190          | 4 979          | 5 575                         |
| Tuberculosis Control . . . . .                      | 1 822          | 1 253          | 667            | ..             | ..                            |
| School Dental Scheme . . . . .                      | 998            | 2 026          | 2 027          | 2 383          | 3 700                         |
| Health Education Campaigns . . . . .                | 132            | 116            | 138            | 100            | 178                           |
| Blood Transfusion Services . . . . .                | 547            | 680            | 736            | 777            | 830                           |
| Health Planning Agencies . . . . .                  | 70             | 84             | 100            | 87             | 85                            |
| Home Dialysis Scheme . . . . .                      | 48             | 169            | ..             | ..             | ..                            |
| Home Care Services . . . . .                        | 1 693          | 1 990          | 2 744          | 1 797          | 1 943                         |
| Senior Citizens Centres . . . . .                   | ..             | 37             | 45             | 42             | 55                            |
| Assistance for Deserted Wives . . . . .             | 1 935          | 2 508          | 3 888          | 3 665          | 4 300                         |
| Pre-Schools and Child Care . . . . .                | 5 356          | 6 970          | 7 267          | 6 972          | 7 505                         |
| Employment Grants . . . . .                         | 5 000          | ..             | ..             | ..             | ..                            |
| Regional Employment Development Scheme . . . . .    | 2 781          | ..             | ..             | ..             | ..                            |
| Maryborough Employment Grants . . . . .             | ..             | 1 000          | 3 000          | 3 000          | 3 000                         |
| Aboriginal Advancement . . . . .                    | 2 952          | 3 314          | 3 480          | 3 917          | 4 598                         |
| Housing . . . . .                                   | 753            | 858            | 480            | 423            | 423                           |
| Area Improvement . . . . .                          | 177            | ..             | ..             | ..             | ..                            |
| Sewerage . . . . .                                  | 251            | 99             | 2              | ..             | ..                            |
| Leisure and Recreation/Culture . . . . .            | 94             | 94             | 34             | 34             | 34                            |
| Nature Conservation . . . . .                       | ..             | ..             | 200            | ..             | ..                            |
| Apple Export Assistance . . . . .                   | 14             | ..             | ..             | ..             | 8                             |
| Bovine Brucellosis and T.B. Eradication . . . . .   | 2 190          | 3 266          | 4 180          | 5 272          | 5 934                         |
| Exotic Diseases Eradication . . . . .               | ..             | ..             | ..             | 134            | 76                            |
| Agricultural Extension Services . . . . .           | 1 826          | 2 097          | 2 112          | 2 112          | 964                           |
| Minor Agricultural Research . . . . .               | 17             | 16             | 5              | 17             | 34                            |
| Locust Control . . . . .                            | 21             | ..             | ..             | ..             | ..                            |
| West Indian Drywood Termite . . . . .               | 9              | ..             | ..             | ..             | ..                            |
| Coal Mining Industry—Long Service Leave . . . . .   | 454            | 780            | 730            | 992            | 830                           |
| Apprenticeship Training . . . . .                   | 471            | 750            | 971            | 891            | 145                           |
| Education Program for Unemployed Youth . . . . .    | ..             | 83             | 437            | 722            | 760                           |

Table 114—*Queensland—Commonwealth Payments and Loan Council Borrowings(a), 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)—continued*

|   | 1975-76        | 1976-77        | 1977-78        | 1978-79        | 1979-80<br>(estimate)<br>(b) |
|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|------------------------------|
| Legal Aid . . . . .   | 131            | 131            | ..             | ..             | 28                           |
| Road Safety Practices . . . . .                                 | 28             | 28             | 28             | 28             | 28                           |
| Research Grants . . . . .                                       | 706            | 1 258          | 1 080          | 1 309          | 1 386                        |
| Local Government Tax Sharing Assistance . . . . .               | 13 808         | 24 222         | 27 875         | 30 252         | 37 387                       |
| Natural Disaster Relief . . . . .                               | 52             | 45             | 231            | 1 755          | 204                          |
| <b>Total Specific Purpose Payments—<br/>Recurrent . . . . .</b> | <b>299 534</b> | <b>327 417</b> | <b>401 288</b> | <b>432 067</b> | <b>481 078</b>               |

SPECIFIC PURPOSE PAYMENTS—CAPITAL PURPOSES

|   |        |        |         |         |          |
|---|--------|--------|---------|---------|----------|
| Housing for Servicemen . . . . .                  | 7 500  | 12 300 | 12 500  | 5 229   | 286      |
| Universities . . . . .                            | 6 453  | 11 637 | 7 335   | 6 042   | 8 100    |
| Colleges of Advanced Education . . . . .          | 9 181  | 14 630 | 7 899   | 10 712  | 4 800    |
| Technical and Further Education . . . . .         | 3 334  | 4 439  | 8 735   | 15 078  | 12 600   |
| Schools . . . . .                                 | 22 363 | 28 090 | 34 263  | 29 475  | 24 476   |
| Education—Allowance for Cost Escalation . . . . . | ..     | ..     | ..      | ..      | 2 000    |
| Child Migrant and Refugee Education . . . . .     | 11     | ..     | ..      | 40      | 50       |
| Hospitals—Capital Development . . . . .           | 15 280 | 17 000 | 7 130   | ..      | ..       |
| Nursing Homes . . . . .                           | 925    | 652    | ..      | ..      | ..       |
| Community Health Program . . . . .                | 1 778  | 2 805  | 1 770   | 254     | 255      |
| Tuberculosis Control . . . . .                    | 203    | 110    | ..      | ..      | ..       |
| School Dental Scheme . . . . .                    | 5 299  | 1 896  | 2 841   | 1 249   | 806      |
| Blood Transfusion Services . . . . .              | 29     | 6      | 37      | 34      | 70       |
| Disposal of Ships' Garbage . . . . .              | ..     | ..     | ..      | 4       | ..       |
| Senior Citizens Centres . . . . .                 | 392    | 916    | 439     | 553     | 656      |
| Pre-Schools and Child Care . . . . .              | 2 584  | 314    | ..      | ..      | ..       |
| Aboriginal Advancement . . . . .                  | 7 204  | 4 396  | 2 825   | 2 536   | 1 704    |
| Housing . . . . .                                 | 31 010 | 37 410 | 39 810  | 32 257  | 16 336   |
| Pensioner Housing . . . . .                       | 1 133  | 2 023  | 1 490   | 2 050   | (e)4 495 |
| Area Improvement . . . . .                        | 2 315  | 468    | ..      | ..      | ..       |
| Urban Flood Mitigation . . . . .                  | 2 060  | 1 574  | 992     | 818     | 62       |
| Air Quality Monitoring . . . . .                  | 33     | ..     | 40      | ..      | ..       |
| Sewerage . . . . .                                | 13 767 | 1 000  | ..      | ..      | ..       |
| Community Facilities—Townsville . . . . .         | ..     | 25     | ..      | ..      | ..       |
| Leisure and Recreation/Culture . . . . .          | 1 060  | 590    | 202     | 45      | ..       |
| Nature Conservation . . . . .                     | 88     | 400    | ..      | ..      | ..       |
| National Estate . . . . .                         | 567    | 183    | 310     | 415     | 300      |
| 1982 Commonwealth Games Assistance . . . . .      | ..     | ..     | ..      | 2 500   | 2 500    |
| Roads . . . . .                                   | 88 980 | 90 700 | 100 000 | 106 947 | 114 947  |
| Railway Mainline Upgrading . . . . .              | ..     | ..     | ..      | ..      | 2 000    |
| Urban Public Transport . . . . .                  | 8 985  | 11 380 | 15 648  | 8 875   | 9 220    |
| Transport Planning and Research . . . . .         | 1 070  | 1 184  | 1 381   | 983     | 1 056    |



Table 114—Queensland—Commonwealth Payments and Loan Council Borrowings(a), 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)—continued

|  | 1975-76          | 1976-77          | 1977-78          | 1978-79          | 1979-80<br>(estimate)<br>(b) |
|--|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------------------|
| SPECIFIC PURPOSE PAYMENTS—CAPITAL PURPOSES—continued |                  |                  |                  |                  |                              |
| Gladstone Power Station . . . . .                    | 39 000           | 26 422           | 191              | ..               | ..                           |
| Ross River Dam . . . . .                             | 1 402            | 1 158            | ..               | ..               | ..                           |
| Julius Dam . . . . .                                 | ..               | ..               | 325              | 500              | 250                          |
| Clare Weir . . . . .                                 | 349              | 2 551            | ..               | ..               | ..                           |
| Bundaberg Irrigation Works . . . . .                 | 2 500            | 11               | 1 500            | 950              | ..                           |
| Eton (Mackay) Irrigation Works . . . . .             | 1 999            | 814              | ..               | ..               | ..                           |
| Water Resources Assessment . . . . .                 | 932              | 952              | 952              | 952              | n.a.                         |
| Flood Mitigation . . . . .                           | ..               | 77               | 236              | 62               | ..                           |
| Softwood Forestry . . . . .                          | 2 250            | 1 547            | ..               | 1 485            | 1 000                        |
| Dairy Adjustment Program . . . . .                   | 3 702            | 877              | 43               | ..               | ..                           |
| Rural Adjustment Scheme . . . . .                    | ..               | 3 605            | 9 480            | 9 006            | 2 100                        |
| Beef Industry Assistance . . . . .                   | 6 374            | 2 226            | 33               | ..               | ..                           |
| Rural Reconstruction . . . . .                       | 5 900            | 3 720            | 31               | ..               | ..                           |
| Fruitgrowing Industry . . . . .                      | 41               | 18               | 44               | ..               | ..                           |
| Sugar Industry . . . . .                             | ..               | ..               | ..               | ..               | 27 500                       |
| Tourism Development . . . . .                        | 140              | 147              | ..               | ..               | ..                           |
| Soil Conservation . . . . .                          | 623              | ..               | 30               | ..               | ..                           |
| Brigalow Lands Development Scheme . . . . .          | 2 296            | 1 909            | ..               | ..               | ..                           |
| Natural Disaster Relief . . . . .                    | 6 400            | 11 094           | 14 842           | 7 207            | 5 296                        |
| <b>Total Specific Purpose Payments—Capital</b>       | <b>307 512</b>   | <b>303 256</b>   | <b>273 354</b>   | <b>246 258</b>   | <b>254 512</b>               |
| TOTAL PAYMENTS(f)                                    |                  |                  |                  |                  |                              |
|  | 1 237 597        | 1 378 225        | 1 533 351        | 1 607 532        | 1 750 817                    |
| TOTAL PAYMENTS AND LOAN COUNCIL BORROWINGS           |                  |                  |                  |                  |                              |
| General Purpose(g) . . . . .                         | 745 470          | 868 257          | 985 449          | 1 055 947        | 1 125 277                    |
| Specific Purpose . . . . .                           | 607 046          | 630 673          | 674 642          | 678 325          | 735 591                      |
| <b>Total . . . . .</b>                               | <b>1 352 516</b> | <b>1 498 930</b> | <b>1 660 091</b> | <b>1 734 272</b> | <b>1 860 868</b>             |

- (a) That is, Commonwealth payments to State Governments and Loan Council borrowing programs. Excludes Commonwealth payments made direct to other levels of government, details of which are given in chapters 5 and 6.
- (b) Important qualifications attach to the 1979-80 estimates in some cases. See relevant sections of the text.
- (c) Financial assistance grants up to 1975-76; the States' personal income tax sharing entitlements from the beginning of 1976-77.
- (d) See Chapter 3, under the heading 'Treatment of Loan Council Programs in this and other Budget papers'.
- (e) Estimated amount relating to Pensioner Housing Grants in 1979-80.—See Chapter IV and Table 36 for details.
- (f) Comprising general revenue funds, specific purpose payments and general purpose capital grants—that is, all amounts shown above with the exception of the Loan Council borrowing programs. See footnote (d).
- (g) Comprising general revenue funds, Loan Council borrowings and general purpose capital grants. See footnote (d).

**Table 115—South Australia—Commonwealth Payments and Loan Council Borrowings(a), 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|   | 1975-76 | 1976-77 | 1977-78 | 1978-79 | 1979-80<br>(estimate)<br>(b) |
|---|---------|---------|---------|---------|------------------------------|
| <b>GENERAL REVENUE FUNDS</b>                                    |         |         |         |         |                              |
| Financial Assistance Grants/Personal Income                     |         |         |         |         |                              |
| Tax Sharing Entitlements(c)                                     | 363 091 | 433 200 | 508 506 | 559 841 | 631 400                      |
| Adjustments for Previous Year                                   | ..      | ..      | -745    | ..      | ..                           |
| Special Grants  | 2 500   | ..      | ..      | ..      | ..                           |
| Total   | 365 591 | 433 200 | 507 761 | 559 841 | 631 400                      |
| <b>GENERAL PURPOSE CAPITAL FUNDS(d)</b>                         |         |         |         |         |                              |
| Loan Council Borrowings   | 112 950 | 118 637 | 124 569 | 124 569 | 108 165                      |
| Capital Grants  | 56 475  | 59 318  | 62 284  | 62 284  | 54 083                       |
| Total   | 169 425 | 177 955 | 186 853 | 186 853 | 162 248                      |
| <b>SPECIFIC PURPOSE PAYMENTS—RECURRENT PURPOSES</b>             |         |         |         |         |                              |
| Payments Under Financial Agreement—                             |         |         |         |         |                              |
| Interest on State Debt  | 1 408   | 1 408   | 1 408   | 1 408   | 1 408                        |
| Sinking Fund on State Debt                                      | 4 000   | 3 911   | 4 191   | 4 483   | 4 756                        |
| South Australia and Tasmania Railway Sinking Fund Reimbursement | 1 488   | ..      | ..      | ..      | ..                           |
| State Emergency Services  | 8       | 5       | ..      | 15      | 44                           |
| Universities  | 43 107  | 51 000  | 56 872  | 57 917  | 59 900                       |
| Colleges of Advanced Education                                  | 28 838  | 38 221  | 41 724  | 42 477  | 44 500                       |
| Technical and Further Education                                 | 3 770   | 4 502   | 4 737   | 5 116   | 6 140                        |
| Schools   | 27 452  | 35 038  | 38 566  | 39 746  | 42 775                       |
| Education—Allowance for Cost Escalation                         | ..      | ..      | ..      | ..      | 8 000                        |
| Child Migrant and Refugee Education                             | 514     | 22      | 16      | 180     | 165                          |
| Educational Research  | 116     | 139     | 135     | 124     | 145                          |
| Public Hospitals—Running Costs                                  | 92 367  | 69 394  | 101 659 | 104 287 | 114 000                      |
| Community Health Program  | 1 976   | 3 720   | 3 655   | 3 205   | 3 440                        |
| Tuberculosis Control  | 685     | 498     | 39      | ..      | ..                           |
| School Dental Scheme  | 2 549   | 3 099   | 3 686   | 2 814   | 3 290                        |
| Health Education Campaigns                                      | 69      | 66      | 75      | 107     | 145                          |
| Blood Transfusion Services                                      | 567     | 494     | 606     | 764     | 881                          |
| Health Planning Agencies  | 75      | 62      | 100     | 90      | 80                           |
| Home Dialysis Scheme  | 40      | 122     | ..      | ..      | ..                           |
| Australian Encephalitis Control                                 | ..      | 14      | 9       | 14      | 13                           |
| Home Care Services  | 653     | 904     | 1 411   | 915     | 980                          |
| Senior Citizens Centres   | 30      | 31      | 66      | 65      | 89                           |
| Paramedical Services  | 167     | 272     | 284     | 431     | 486                          |
| Assistance for Deserted Wives                                   | 1 509   | 1 879   | 3 203   | 3 143   | 3 800                        |
| Pre-Schools and Child Care                                      | 5 025   | 5 601   | 6 184   | 5 588   | 6 130                        |
| Employment Grants   | 2 400   | ..      | ..      | ..      | ..                           |
| Regional Employment Development Scheme                          | 3 294   | ..      | ..      | ..      | ..                           |
| Social Policy Planning Units                                    | 56      | ..      | ..      | ..      | ..                           |
| Translate/Interpretation Services                               | ..      | ..      | ..      | ..      | 60                           |
| Aboriginal Advancement  | 2 165   | 2 515   | 3 045   | 3 404   | 3 992                        |
| Housing   | 1 093   | 941     | 941     | 941     | 941                          |
| Area Improvement  | 51      | ..      | ..      | ..      | ..                           |
| Sewerage  | 136     | 84      | 63      | ..      | ..                           |
| Leisure and Recreation/Culture                                  | 94      | 94      | 32      | 32      | 32                           |
| Apple Export Assistance   | ..      | 1       | ..      | ..      | ..                           |
| Bovine Brucellosis and TB Eradication                           | 637     | 1 604   | 1 201   | 2 346   | 2 107                        |
| Plant Pest Control  | ..      | ..      | ..      | 307     | 143                          |
| Agricultural Extension Services                                 | 944     | 1 068   | 1 077   | 1 076   | 516                          |
| Minor Agricultural Research                                     | 20      | 26      | 16      | 4       | 7                            |

Table 115—South Australia—Commonwealth Payments and Loan Council Borrowings(a), 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)—continued

|   | 1975-76        | 1976-77        | 1977-78        | 1978-79        | 1979-80<br>(estimate)<br>(b) |
|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|------------------------------|
| Apprenticeship Training . . . . .                 | 159            | 313            | 345            | 82             | ..                           |
| Education Program for Unemployed Youth . . . . .  | ..             | 40             | 173            | 670            | 745                          |
| Legal Aid . . . . .                               | 89             | 84             | ..             | ..             | 28                           |
| Road Safety Practices . . . . .                   | 19             | 19             | 19             | 19             | 19                           |
| Research Grants . . . . .                         | 950            | 1 911          | 1 886          | 2 067          | 2 177                        |
| Local Government Tax Sharing Assistance . . . . . | 6 785          | 11 925         | 14 220         | 15 433         | 19 072                       |
| Regional Organisations Assistance . . . . .       | 24             | ..             | ..             | ..             | ..                           |
| Natural Disaster Relief . . . . .                 | ..             | ..             | 218            | 501            | ..                           |
| <b>Total Specific Purpose—Recurrent . . . . .</b> | <b>235 330</b> | <b>241 026</b> | <b>291 861</b> | <b>299 769</b> | <b>331 006</b>               |

SPECIFIC PURPOSE PAYMENTS—CAPITAL PURPOSES

|  |                |                |                |                |                |
|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Housing for Servicemen . . . . .                         | 1 725          | 2 107          | 1 317          | ..             | 20             |
| Universities . . . . .                                   | 3 421          | 6 427          | 6 634          | 6 439          | 3 400          |
| Colleges of Advanced Education . . . . .                 | 6 886          | 4 276          | 8 457          | 5 177          | 4 300          |
| Technical and Further Education . . . . .                | 1 208          | 2 320          | 4 837          | 6 901          | 8 900          |
| Schools . . . . .  | 11 056         | 14 672         | 17 069         | 16 178         | 13 718         |
| Education—Allowance for Cost Escalation . . . . .        | ..             | ..             | ..             | ..             | 1 500          |
| Child Migrant and Refugee Education . . . . .            | 275            | 31             | ..             | ..             | 40             |
| Hospitals—Capital Development . . . . .                  | 12 900         | 13 000         | 5 120          | ..             | ..             |
| Community Health Program . . . . .                       | 1 864          | 980            | 630            | 375            | 120            |
| Tuberculosis Control . . . . .                           | 30             | ..             | ..             | ..             | ..             |
| School Dental Scheme . . . . .                           | 825            | 830            | 1 658          | 724            | 272            |
| Blood Transfusion Services . . . . .                     | 6              | 17             | 32             | 25             | 35             |
| Disposal of Ships' Garbage . . . . .                     | ..             | ..             | ..             | ..             | 136            |
| Senior Citizens Centres . . . . .                        | 566            | 212            | 342            | 423            | 380            |
| Pre-Schools and Child Care . . . . .                     | 1 498          | 160            | 31             | 68             | 50             |
| Aboriginal Advancement . . . . .                         | 3 559          | 3 339          | 1 807          | 2 291          | 2 181          |
| Housing . . . . .  | 56 360         | 56 360         | 58 460         | 47 368         | 23 984         |
| Pensioner Housing . . . . .                              | 1 124          | 1 473          | 930            | 1 343          | (e)2 856       |
| Growth Centres . . . . .                                 | 1 504          | 980            | 1 088          | 1 201          | 1 311          |
| Area Improvement . . . . .                               | 602            | 2              | ..             | ..             | ..             |
| Land Acquisition . . . . .                               | 19 892         | 10 352         | 11 507         | 6 712          | 7 329          |
| Air Quality Monitoring . . . . .                         | 33             | ..             | ..             | ..             | ..             |
| Sewerage . . . . .                                       | 5 700          | 1 002          | ..             | ..             | ..             |
| Leisure and Recreation/Culture . . . . .                 | 625            | 1 722          | 1 910          | 220            | 257            |
| Nature Conservation . . . . .                            | 579            | 300            | ..             | ..             | ..             |
| National Estate . . . . .                                | 506            | 246            | 338            | 415            | 300            |
| Roads . . . . .  | 40 764         | 38 800         | 40 400         | 43 207         | 46 439         |
| Railway Projects . . . . .                               | 4 960          | 700            | ..             | ..             | ..             |
| Urban Public Transport . . . . .                         | 6 757          | 4 420          | 3 790          | 4 110          | 4 015          |
| Transport Planning and Research . . . . .                | 719            | 939            | 698            | 469            | 504            |
| Urban Water Supply . . . . .                             | 8 931          | 9 175          | 6 000          | 4 490          | ..             |
| Dartmouth Dam . . . . .                                  | 2 800          | 1 875          | ..             | ..             | ..             |
| Lock to Kimba Pipeline . . . . .                         | 305            | ..             | ..             | ..             | ..             |
| Tailem Bend to Keith Pipeline . . . . .                  | 4              | 433            | 17             | ..             | ..             |
| Water Resources Assessment . . . . .                     | 468            | 732            | 727            | 727            | n.a.           |
| Salinity Reduction Control . . . . .                     | ..             | ..             | ..             | 250            | 355            |
| Softwood Forestry . . . . .                              | 566            | ..             | -87            | ..             | 800            |
| Dairy Adjustment Program . . . . .                       | 305            | 68             | ..             | ..             | ..             |
| Rural Adjustment Scheme . . . . .                        | ..             | ..             | 6 985          | 5 017          | 2 600          |
| Beef Industry Assistance . . . . .                       | 289            | 70             | ..             | ..             | ..             |
| Rural Reconstruction . . . . .                           | 5 100          | 2 781          | 400            | ..             | ..             |
| Fruitgrowing Industry . . . . .                          | 20             | 140            | 65             | ..             | ..             |
| Canned Fruit Industry . . . . .                          | 413            | ..             | ..             | ..             | ..             |
| Tourism Development . . . . .                            | 177            | 311            | ..             | ..             | ..             |
| Soil Conservation . . . . .                              | 42             | 33             | 30             | ..             | ..             |
| Natural Disaster Relief . . . . .                        | 108            | ..             | 12 132         | 4 929          | ..             |
| <b>Total Specific Purpose Payments—Capital . . . . .</b> | <b>205 471</b> | <b>181 285</b> | <b>193 322</b> | <b>159 057</b> | <b>140 895</b> |

Table 115—South Australia—Commonwealth Payments and Loan Council Borrowings(a), 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)—continued

|   | 1975-76        | 1976-77          | 1977-78          | 1978-79          | 1979-80<br>(estimate)<br>(b) |
|---|----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------------------|
| <b>TOTAL PAYMENTS(f)</b>                          |                |                  |                  |                  |                              |
|   | 862 867        | 914 829          | 1 055 228        | 1 080 952        | 1 157 384                    |
| <b>TOTAL PAYMENTS AND LOAN COUNCIL BORROWINGS</b> |                |                  |                  |                  |                              |
| General Purpose(g)                                | 535 016        | 611 155          | 694 614          | 746 694          | 793 648                      |
| Specific Purpose                                  | 440 801        | 422 311          | 485 183          | 458 826          | 471 901                      |
| <b>Total</b>                                      | <b>975 817</b> | <b>1 033 466</b> | <b>1 179 797</b> | <b>1 205 521</b> | <b>1 265 549</b>             |

- (a) That is, Commonwealth payments to State Governments and Loan Council borrowing programs. Excludes Commonwealth payments made direct to other levels of Government, details of which are given in Chapters 5 and 6.
- (b) Important qualifications attach to the 1979-80 estimates in some cases. See relevant sections of the text.
- (c) Financial assistance grants up to 1975-76; the States' personal income tax sharing entitlements from the beginning of 1976-77.
- (d) See Chapter 3, under the heading 'Treatment of Loan Council Programs in this and other Budget Papers'.
- (e) Estimated amount relating to Pensioner Housing Grant in 1979-80. See Chapter IV and Table 36 for details.
- (f) Comprising general revenue funds, specific purpose payments and general purpose capital grants—that is, all amounts shown above with the exception of the Loan Council borrowing programs. See footnote (d).
- (g) Comprising general revenue funds, loan council borrowings and general purpose capital grants. See footnote (d).

Table 116—Western Australia—Commonwealth Payments and Loan Council Borrowings(a), 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)—continued

|   | 1975-76        | 1976-77        | 1977-78        | 1978-79        | 1979-80<br>(estimate)<br>(b) |
|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|------------------------------|
| Family Courts . . . . .   | 760            | 819            | 1 065          | ..             | ..                           |
| Road Safety Practices . . . . .                                 | 25             | 25             | 25             | 25             | 25                           |
| Research Grants . . . . .                                       | 320            | 665            | 687            | 908            | 1 014                        |
| Local Government Tax Sharing Assistance . . . . .               | 7 524          | 13 162         | 15 524         | 16 848         | 20 821                       |
| Regional Organisation Assistance . . . . .                      | 32             | ..             | ..             | ..             | ..                           |
| Natural Disaster Relief . . . . .                               | 83             | 195            | 526            | 151            | ..                           |
| <b>Total Specific Purpose Payments—<br/>Recurrent . . . . .</b> | <b>232 385</b> | <b>243 468</b> | <b>295 430</b> | <b>311 132</b> | <b>343 509</b>               |

SPECIFIC PURPOSE PAYMENTS—CAPITAL PURPOSES

|   |        |        |        |        |          |
|---|--------|--------|--------|--------|----------|
| Housing for Servicemen . . . . .                  | 698    | 1 230  | 2      | ..     | 46       |
| Universities . . . . .                            | 5 094  | 9 822  | 7 664  | 5 185  | 3 400    |
| Colleges of Advanced Education . . . . .          | 7 344  | 5 074  | 5 198  | 5 863  | 2 800    |
| Technical and Further Education . . . . .         | 2 876  | 3 690  | 2 993  | 3 726  | 6 800    |
| Schools . . . . .                                 | 10 564 | 6 999  | 16 713 | 20 971 | 11 977   |
| Education—Allowance for Cost Escalation . . . . . | ..     | ..     | ..     | ..     | 1 000    |
| Child Migrant and Refugee Education . . . . .     | -9     | ..     | ..     | ..     | 40       |
| Hospitals—Capital Development . . . . .           | 11 900 | 12 000 | 4 680  | ..     | ..       |
| Community Health Program . . . . .                | 1 139  | 2 780  | 964    | 862    | 395      |
| School Dental Scheme . . . . .                    | 2 855  | 935    | 831    | ..     | 130      |
| Blood Transfusion Services . . . . .              | 12     | 23     | 43     | 73     | 64       |
| Disposal of Ships' Garbage . . . . .              | 47     | 6      | 2      | ..     | ..       |
| Senior Citizens Centres . . . . .                 | 344    | 407    | 348    | 100    | 308      |
| Pre-Schools and Child Care . . . . .              | 1 441  | 144    | 89     | 38     | 100      |
| Aboriginal Advancement . . . . .                  | 5 272  | 4 765  | 4 614  | 5 407  | 5 027    |
| Housing . . . . .                                 | 33 440 | 35 440 | 36 740 | 29 767 | 15 072   |
| Pensioner Housing . . . . .                       | 614    | 1 288  | 700    | 1 086  | (f)2 361 |
| Growth Centres . . . . .                          | 474    | ..     | ..     | ..     | ..       |
| Area Improvement . . . . .                        | 730    | ..     | ..     | ..     | ..       |
| Land Acquisition . . . . .                        | 7 076  | 4 606  | 5 026  | 2 537  | 2 764    |
| Air Quality Monitoring . . . . .                  | 33     | ..     | ..     | 40     | ..       |
| Sewerage . . . . .                                | 12 400 | 9 000  | ..     | ..     | ..       |
| Leisure and Recreation/Culture . . . . .          | 445    | 667    | 97     | ..     | ..       |
| Nature Conservation . . . . .                     | 35     | 250    | ..     | ..     | ..       |
| National Estate . . . . .                         | 523    | 215    | 425    | 415    | 300      |
| Roads . . . . .                                   | 61 285 | 57 199 | 61 301 | 64 382 | 69 198   |
| Railway Projects . . . . .                        | ..     | 110    | 34     | ..     | ..       |
| Railways—Intersystem Advances . . . . .           | 71     | -129   | ..     | ..     | ..       |
| Urban Public Transport . . . . .                  | 750    | 1 869  | 605    | 2 015  | 2 055    |
| Transport Planning and Research . . . . .         | 940    | 854    | 744    | 581    | 658      |
| Ord River Project . . . . .                       | 111    | 12     | 20     | ..     | 67       |

Table 116—Western Australia—Commonwealth Payments and Loan Council Borrowings(a), 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)—continued

|   | 1975-76        | 1976-77        | 1977-78          | 1978-79          | 1979-80<br>(estimate)<br>(b) |
|---|----------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------------------|
| Water Resources Assessment . . . . .              | 1 981          | 2 000          | 2 000            | 3 018            | n.a.                         |
| Softwood Forestry . . . . .                       | 864            | 776            | ..               | 1 302            | 867                          |
| Dairy Adjustment Program . . . . .                | 2 327          | 291            | 275              | ..               | ..                           |
| Rural Adjustment Scheme . . . . .                 | ..             | 800            | 4 473            | 9 504            | 2 700                        |
| Beef Industry Assistance . . . . .                | 479            | 61             | ..               | ..               | ..                           |
| Rural Reconstruction . . . . .                    | 4 550          | 4 144          | 252              | ..               | ..                           |
| Fruitgrowing Industry . . . . .                   | 29             | 16             | 237              | ..               | ..                           |
| Tourism Development . . . . .                     | 313            | 50             | ..               | ..               | ..                           |
| Cheyne Beach Whale Company Assistance . . . . .   | ..             | ..             | ..               | 25               | ..                           |
| Soil Conservation . . . . .                       | 74             | 73             | ..               | 35               | ..                           |
| Natural Disaster Relief . . . . .                 | 4 264          | 3 507          | 17 972           | 8 268            | ..                           |
| <b>Total Specific Purpose Payments—Capital</b>    | <b>183 385</b> | <b>170 975</b> | <b>175 044</b>   | <b>165 198</b>   | <b>139 123</b>               |
| <b>TOTAL PAYMENTS(g)</b>                          |                |                |                  |                  |                              |
|   | 818 900        | 897 360        | 1 034 584        | 1 100 088        | 1 184 232                    |
| <b>TOTAL PAYMENTS AND LOAN COUNCIL BORROWINGS</b> |                |                |                  |                  |                              |
| General Purpose(h) . . . . .                      | 483 327        | 567 152        | 652 557          | 712 204          | 778 399                      |
| Specific Purpose . . . . .                        | 415 770        | 414 443        | 470 473          | 476 330          | 482 632                      |
| <b>Total . . . . .</b>                            | <b>899 097</b> | <b>981 595</b> | <b>1 123 030</b> | <b>1 188 534</b> | <b>1 261 031</b>             |

- (a) That is, Commonwealth payments to State Governments and Loan Council borrowing programs. Excludes Commonwealth payments made direct to other levels of government, details of which are given in Chapters 5 and 6.
- (b) Important qualifications attach to the 1979-80 estimates in some cases. See relevant sections of the text.
- (c) Financial assistance grants up to 1975-76; the States' personal income tax sharing entitlements from the beginning of 1976-77.
- (d) See Chapter 3, under the heading 'Treatment of Loan Council Programs in this and other Budget Papers'.
- (e) Western Australia was underpaid by \$3000 in 1977-78 which was adjusted in 1978-79.
- (f) Estimated amount for Pensioner Housing Grant in 1979-80. See Chapter IV and Table 36 for details.
- (g) Comprising general revenue funds, specific purpose payments and general purpose capital grants—that is, all amounts shown above with the exception of the Loan Council borrowing programs. See footnote (d).
- (h) Comprising general revenue funds, Loan Council borrowings and general purpose capital grants. See footnote (d).

Table 116—Western Australia—Commonwealth Payments and Loan Council Borrowings(a), 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)—continued

|   | 1975-76        | 1976-77        | 1977-78          | 1978-79          | 1979-80<br>(estimate)<br>(b) |
|---|----------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------------------|
| Water Resources Assessment . . . . .              | 1 981          | 2 000          | 2 000            | 3 018            | n.a.                         |
| Softwood Forestry . . . . .                       | 864            | 776            | ..               | 1 302            | 867                          |
| Dairy Adjustment Program . . . . .                | 2 327          | 291            | 275              | ..               | ..                           |
| Rural Adjustment Scheme . . . . .                 | ..             | 800            | 4 473            | 9 504            | 2 709                        |
| Beef Industry Assistance . . . . .                | 479            | 61             | ..               | ..               | ..                           |
| Rural Reconstruction . . . . .                    | 4 550          | 4 144          | 252              | ..               | ..                           |
| Fruitgrowing Industry . . . . .                   | 29             | 16             | 237              | ..               | ..                           |
| Tourism Development . . . . .                     | 313            | 50             | ..               | ..               | ..                           |
| Cheyne's Beach Whale Company Assistance . . . . . | ..             | ..             | ..               | 25               | ..                           |
| Soil Conservation . . . . .                       | 74             | 73             | ..               | 35               | ..                           |
| Natural Disaster Relief . . . . .                 | 4 264          | 3 507          | 17 972           | 8 268            | ..                           |
| <b>Total Specific Purpose Payments—Capital</b>    | <b>183 385</b> | <b>170 975</b> | <b>175 044</b>   | <b>165 198</b>   | <b>139 123</b>               |
| <b>TOTAL PAYMENTS(g)</b>                          |                |                |                  |                  |                              |
|   | 818 900        | 897 360        | 1 034 584        | 1 100 088        | 1 184 232                    |
| <b>TOTAL PAYMENTS AND LOAN COUNCIL BORROWINGS</b> |                |                |                  |                  |                              |
| General Purpose(h) . . . . .                      | 483 327        | 567 152        | 652 557          | 712 204          | 778 399                      |
| Specific Purpose . . . . .                        | 415 770        | 414 443        | 470 473          | 476 330          | 482 632                      |
| <b>Total . . . . .</b>                            | <b>899 097</b> | <b>981 595</b> | <b>1 123 030</b> | <b>1 188 534</b> | <b>1 261 031</b>             |

(a) That is, Commonwealth payments to State Governments and Loan Council borrowing programs. Excludes Commonwealth payments made direct to other levels of government, details of which are given in Chapters 5 and 6.

(b) Important qualifications attach to the 1979-80 estimates in some cases. See relevant sections of the text.

(c) Financial assistance grants up to 1975-76; the States' personal income tax sharing entitlements from the beginning of 1976-77.

(d) See Chapter 3, under the heading 'Treatment of Loan Council Programs in this and other Budget Papers'.

(e) Western Australia was underpaid by \$3000 in 1977-78 which was adjusted in 1978-79.

(f) Estimated amount for Pensioner Housing Grant in 1979-80. See Chapter IV and Table 36 for details.

(g) Comprising general revenue funds, specific purpose payments and general purpose capital grants—that is, all amounts shown above with the exception of the Loan Council borrowing programs. See footnote (d).

(h) Comprising general revenue funds, Loan Council borrowings and general purpose capital grants. See footnote (d).

**Table 117—Tasmania—Commonwealth Payments and Loan Council Borrowings(a), 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)**

|   | 1975-76       | 1976-77       | 1977-78        | 1978-79        | 1979-80<br>(estimate)<br>(b) |
|---|---------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|------------------------------|
| <b>GENERAL REVENUE FUNDS</b>  |               |               |                |                |                              |
| Financial Assistance Grants/Personal Income Tax Sharing Entitlements(c) | 156 816       | 186 294       | 214 150        | 240 737        | 272 500                      |
| <b>GENERAL PURPOSE CAPITAL FUNDS(d)</b>                                 |               |               |                |                |                              |
| Local Council Borrowings  | 60 743        | 63 802        | 66 992         | 66 992         | 58 171                       |
| Capital Grants  | 30 372        | 31 901        | 33 496         | 33 496         | 29 085                       |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>91 115</b> | <b>95 703</b> | <b>100 488</b> | <b>100 488</b> | <b>87 256</b>                |
| <b>SPECIFIC PURPOSE PAYMENTS—RECURRENT PURPOSES</b>                     |               |               |                |                |                              |
| Payments Under Financial Agreement—                                     |               |               |                |                |                              |
| Interest on State Debt  | 534           | 534           | 534            | 534            | 534                          |
| Sinking Fund on State Debt  | 2 100         | 2 069         | 2 225          | 2 386          | 2 531                        |
| South Australia and Tasmania Railway Sinking Fund Reimbursement         | 480           | ..            | ..             | ..             | ..                           |
| State Emergency Services  | 53            | 69            | 63             | 83             | 81                           |
| Universities  | 13 658        | 15 939        | 17 234         | 18 315         | 19 200                       |
| Colleges of Advanced Education  | 7 011         | 8 678         | 9 256          | 9 436          | 9 600                        |
| Technical and Further Education   | 1 087         | 969           | 1 110          | 1 673          | 1 930                        |
| Schools   | 9 327         | 11 049        | 12 120         | 13 290         | 13 891                       |
| Education—Allowance for Cost Escalation                                 | ..            | ..            | ..             | ..             | 2 000                        |
| Child Migrant and Refugee Education                                     | 149           | 2             | ..             | ..             | 50                           |
| Educational Research  | 14            | 14            | 9              | 11             | 10                           |
| Public Hospitals—Running Costs  | 31 000        | 18 918        | 31 621         | 33 176         | 38 000                       |
| Community Health Program  | 1 265         | 2 038         | 2 306          | 1 868          | 2 075                        |
| Tuberculosis Control  | 548           | 592           | ..             | ..             | ..                           |
| School Dental Scheme  | 1 547         | 1 475         | 1 684          | 1 226          | 1 877                        |
| Health Education Campaigns  | 23            | 46            | 52             | 59             | 67                           |
| Blood Transfusion Services  | 94            | 108           | 124            | 120            | 150                          |
| Health Planning Agencies  | 25            | 40            | 35             | 30             | 30                           |
| Home Dialysis Scheme  | ..            | 35            | ..             | ..             | ..                           |
| Home Care Services  | 340           | 355           | 474            | 505            | 555                          |
| Paramedical Services  | 10            | 15            | 15             | 24             | 25                           |
| Assistance for Deserted Wives   | 458           | 599           | 764            | 986            | 1 200                        |
| Pre-Schools and Child Care  | 1 720         | 2 006         | 2 071          | 1 658          | 1 960                        |
| Employment Grants   | 700           | ..            | ..             | ..             | ..                           |
| Regional Employment Development Scheme                                  | 1 521         | ..            | ..             | ..             | ..                           |
| Social Policy Planning Units  | 32            | ..            | ..             | ..             | ..                           |
| Rehabilitation Centre—Hobart  | ..            | ..            | ..             | ..             | 450                          |
| Aboriginal Advancement  | 62            | 71            | 67             | 44             | 52                           |
| Housing   | 388           | 314           | 314            | 314            | 314                          |
| Sewerage  | 4             | 189           | ..             | ..             | ..                           |
| Leisure and Recreation/Culture  | 84            | 84            | 24             | 24             | 24                           |
| Nature Conservation   | ..            | ..            | 82             | 75             | 75                           |
| Tasman Bridge Disaster  | 1 400         | 1 715         | 730            | ..             | ..                           |
| Apple Export Assistance   | 572           | 229           | 39             | 238            | 450                          |
| Bovine Brucellosis and TB Eradication                                   | 423           | 215           | 120            | 103            | 46                           |
| Agricultural Extension Services   | 517           | 560           | 564            | 564            | 260                          |
| Assistance for A.P.P.M. Ltd   | 650           | ..            | ..             | ..             | ..                           |
| Coal Mining Industry—Long Service Leave                                 | 6             | 12            | 27             | 16             | 20                           |
| Apprenticeship Training   | 79            | 187           | 209            | 160            | 88                           |
| Education Program for Unemployed Youth                                  | ..            | 40            | 156            | 219            | 300                          |
| Legal Aid   | 49            | 28            | ..             | ..             | 28                           |
| Road Safety Practices   | 11            | 11            | 11             | 11             | 11                           |
| Research Grants   | 130           | 236           | 165            | 272            | 309                          |
| Local Government Tax Sharing Assistance                                 | 2 292         | 4 004         | 5 290          | 5 741          | 7 095                        |
| Regional Organisations Assistance                                       | 8             | ..            | ..             | ..             | ..                           |
| <b>Total Specific Purpose Payments—Recurrent</b>                        | <b>80 371</b> | <b>73 444</b> | <b>89 495</b>  | <b>93 161</b>  | <b>105 289</b>               |



Table 117—Tasmania—Commonwealth Payments and Loan Council Borrowings(a), 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)—continued

|   | 1975-76       | 1976-77       | 1977-78       | 1978-79       | 1979-80<br>(estimate)<br>(b) |
|---|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|------------------------------|
| SPECIFIC PURPOSE PAYMENTS—CAPITAL PURPOSES        |               |               |               |               |                              |
| Housing for Servicemen . . . . .                  | 160           | 6             | ..            | ..            | ..                           |
| Universities . . . . .                            | 2 589         | 1 061         | 1 008         | 788           | 900                          |
| Colleges of Advanced Education . . . . .          | 5 313         | 404           | 1 598         | 3 221         | 800                          |
| Technical and Further Education . . . . .         | 887           | 1 664         | 1 970         | 394           | 2 200                        |
| Schools . . . . .                                 | 4 477         | 4 266         | 6 187         | 4 385         | 3 975                        |
| Education—Allowance for Cost Escalation . . . . . | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..            | 500                          |
| Child Migrant and Refugee Education . . . . .     | 45            | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..                           |
| Hospitals—Capital Development . . . . .           | 2 090         | 1 960         | ..            | ..            | ..                           |
| Launceston General Hospital . . . . .             | ..            | 1 040         | 3 350         | 4 959         | 5 500                        |
| Community Health Program . . . . .                | 689           | 561           | 297           | 222           | 40                           |
| Tuberculosis Control . . . . .                    | 4             | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..                           |
| School Dental Scheme . . . . .                    | 317           | 132           | 127           | 184           | 100                          |
| Blood Transfusion Services . . . . .              | 5             | 5             | 3             | 9             | ..                           |
| Disposal of Ships' Garbage . . . . .              | ..            | 1             | ..            | ..            | 42                           |
| Senior Citizens Centres . . . . .                 | 3             | ..            | 136           | 166           | 116                          |
| Pre-Schools and Child Care . . . . .              | 1 764         | 5             | ..            | ..            | ..                           |
| Rehabilitation Centre—Hobart . . . . .            | 214           | 397           | 922           | 917           | 850                          |
| Aboriginal Advancement . . . . .                  | 216           | 187           | 175           | 115           | 254                          |
| Housing . . . . .                                 | 22 220        | 24 220        | 25 220        | 20 436        | 10 352                       |
| Pensioner Housing . . . . .                       | 560           | 280           | 280           | 438           | (e)970                       |
| Growth Centres . . . . .                          | 506           | 45            | 70            | ..            | ..                           |
| Land Acquisition . . . . .                        | ..            | 250           | 100           | ..            | ..                           |
| Air Quality Monitoring . . . . .                  | 25            | ..            | 40            | ..            | ..                           |
| Legana Industrial Estate—Tasmania . . . . .       | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..            | 200                          |
| Sewerage . . . . .                                | 1 984         | 500           | ..            | ..            | ..                           |
| Leisure and Recreation/Culture . . . . .          | 430           | 481           | ..            | 45            | 4                            |
| Nature Conservation . . . . .                     | 86            | 410           | 70            | 25            | ..                           |
| National Estate . . . . .                         | 795           | 19            | 425           | 415           | 300                          |
| Port Arthur Conservation Program . . . . .        | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..            | 400                          |
| Roads . . . . .                                   | 19 900        | 20 500        | 21 700        | 23 208        | 24 944                       |
| Second Hobart Bridge Study . . . . .              | 63            | 584           | 518           | 49            | 1 000                        |
| Urban Public Transport . . . . .                  | 2 380         | 253           | 732           | 869           | 1 132                        |
| King Island Harbour Works . . . . .               | 242           | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..                           |
| Transport Planning and Research . . . . .         | 198           | 216           | 195           | 173           | 186                          |
| Fasman Bridge Disaster . . . . .                  | 16 300        | 13 785        | 5 870         | -725          | ..                           |
| Launceston Precision Tools Annexe . . . . .       | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..            | 343                          |
| Water Resources Assessment . . . . .              | 140           | 146           | 215           | 426           | n.a.                         |
| Softwood Forestry . . . . .                       | 901           | 1 429         | ..            | 1 090         | 1 000                        |
| Native Forestry Assistance—Tasmania . . . . .     | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..            | 372                          |
| Dairy Adjustment Program . . . . .                | 1 653         | 555           | 94            | ..            | ..                           |
| Rural Adjustment Scheme . . . . .                 | ..            | ..            | 123           | 1 164         | 400                          |
| Beef Industry Assistance . . . . .                | 100           | 42            | ..            | -3            | ..                           |
| Rural Reconstruction . . . . .                    | 500           | 193           | 36            | ..            | ..                           |
| Fruitgrowing Industry . . . . .                   | 200           | 200           | 110           | 8             | ..                           |
| Tourism Development . . . . .                     | 145           | 191           | ..            | ..            | ..                           |
| Assistance for Mount Lyell Mining . . . . .       | ..            | ..            | 3 383         | ..            | 343                          |
| Soil Conservation . . . . .                       | 25            | 10            | 35            | ..            | ..                           |
| Natural Disaster Relief . . . . .                 | -7            | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..                           |
| <b>Total Specific Purpose Payments—Capital</b>    | <b>88 119</b> | <b>75 997</b> | <b>74 988</b> | <b>62 977</b> | <b>62 052</b>                |
| TOTAL PAYMENTS(f)                                 |               |               |               |               |                              |
|   | 355 679       | 367 636       | 412 129       | 430 371       | 468 925                      |

Table 117—*Tasmania—Commonwealth Payments and Loan Council Borrowings(a), 1975-76 to 1979-80 (\$ thousands)—continued*

|   | 1975-76        | 1976-77        | 1977-78        | 1978-79        | 1979-80<br>(estimate)<br>(b) |
|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|------------------------------|
| <b>TOTAL PAYMENTS AND LOAN COUNCIL BORROWINGS</b> |                |                |                |                |                              |
| General Purpose(g)                                | 247 931        | 281 997        | 314 638        | 341 225        | 359 756                      |
| Specific Purpose                                  | 168 490        | 149 441        | 164 483        | 156 138        | 167 340                      |
| <b>Total</b>                                      | <b>416 422</b> | <b>431 438</b> | <b>479 121</b> | <b>497 363</b> | <b>527 096</b>               |

(a) That is, Commonwealth payments to State Governments and Loan Council borrowing programs. Excludes Commonwealth payments made direct to other levels of government, details of which are given in Chapters 5 and 6.

(b) Important qualifications attach to the 1979-80 estimates in some cases. See relevant sections of the text.

(c) Financial assistance grants up to 1975-76; the States' personal income tax sharing entitlements from the beginning of 1976-77.

(d) See Chapter 3, under the heading 'Treatment of Loan Council Programs in this and other Budget Papers'.

(e) Estimated amount for Pensioner Housing Grant in 1979-80. See Chapter IV and Table 36 for details.

(f) Comprising general revenue funds, specific purpose payments and general purpose capital grants—that is, all amounts shown above with the exception of the Loan Council borrowing programs. See footnote (d).

(g) Comprising general revenue funds, Loan Council borrowings and general purpose capital grants. See footnote (d).



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