

LABOUR, WAGES AND COST OF LIVING.

AVERAGE RATE OF WAGES FOR LABOUR. *

Occupations arranged under (a) Agriculture, (b) Domestic Service, (c) Trade and Manufacture.	Per Annum			Per Day*			Per Task or Job
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	
(a) Agricultural	54	0	0	3	0	—	—
(b) Domestic Service	20	0	0	—	—	—	—
(c) Trade and Manufacture	82	0	0	4	6	—	—

AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF ALL THE CHIEF STAPLE ARTICLES
OF USE OR CONSUMPTION.

	Average retail Price (sterling) throughout the year.			Maximum Retail Price			Minimum Retail Price		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Wheaten Flour	1	9	8	1	13	4	1	6	0
Wheat	—	0	6	—	7	6	—	5	2½
Wheaten bread	—	—	1½	—	—	1½	—	—	1½
Horned cattle	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Horses	12	5	0	13	11	3	9	12	6
Sheep	15	0	0	21	0	0	16	0	0
Goats	2	0	0	3	0	0	2	0	0
Swine	3	0	0	4	0	0	3	0	0
Milk	3	10	0	6	0	0	3	10	0
Butter fresh (New Zealand)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
“ salted (Irish)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cheese (English)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Eggs (Maltese)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
“ (Foreign)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Beef	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Mutton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pork	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Rice (common)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Coffee (common)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cocoa (common)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tea (in bulk)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sugar (granulated)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Salt (table)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Wine (common)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Brandy (locally bottled)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
“ (bottled abroad)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Beer	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tobacco (cigarettes locally manufactured)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kerosene oil	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Soap common (green laundry)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

AVERAGE WHOLESALE EXPORT PRICE (F.O.B.) OF STAPLE PRODUCTS.

Cheese	per kilo	£ 0 1 2½	Cottonina	per canna	£ 0 1 5½
Oranges and mandarines	per doz.	0 1 2½	Shoddy	per kilo	0 0 4½
Cigarettes	per kilo	0 14 5	Tallow	“	0 0 6½
Tomato sauce and Extracts of Tomatoes	“	0 0 4	Bran	“	0 0 0½
Onions	“	0 0 0½	Beer	per gal.	0 0 0½
Potatoes	“	0 0 2	Rags	per kilo	0 0 2
Bones and Hoofs	“	0 0 1½	Tar	“	0 0 1
Cumin Seed	“	0 0 1½	Wadding	“	0 0 10½
Hides and Skins (raw or dried)	“	0 1 4½			
Stones (blocks)	per ton	0 8 0			
“ (slabs)	each	0 0 8½			

* The average monthly prices are not available.

PERSONS IN EMPLOYMENT AND AVERAGE RATES OF WAGES.

Occupations.	Average numbers employed	Average rates of wages, distinguishing whether monthly, weekly, daily, per hour, per task; including value of any payments in kind.	Average number of hours per week worked without overtime	Measures to enforce conditions of labour: Regulations relating to the industry (e.g. Workmen's Compensation, Health, Protection of Machinery, Inspection of Factories, Boilers, and Plant).	Death Rates Rates of Sickness (distinguishing cases arising from the peculiar conditions of the employment, if any)	Notes
(A) Government employment...	454	Scales vary considerably and it is not possible to give an average representative rate.	The hours vary considerably.	(1) Article 106 of the Police Laws which provides for the inspection of boilers. (2) The Workmen's Compensation Act. (Act VI of 1929). (3) The Malta Trade Union Act (Act XXI of 1929).	No official information is available.	The information given under "B" to "D" has been obtained from the Census of the Maltese Islands 1921. No more recent official information is available. However, there has since been a considerable increase under "Building" and "Stone Quarrying".
(B) Agricultural:—						
Males	12,338					
Females	3,894					
(C) Other Industrial:—						
Manufactures	20,320					
Building	700					
Mines (Stone quarries)	1,091					
(D) Domestic Service	7,493					

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