

APPENDIX II
MINIMUM WAGE—AUSTRALIA

MINIMUM WEEKLY WAGE RATES UNDER AWARDS OF THE AUSTRALIAN CONCILIATION AND
ARBITRATION COMMISSION AND THE AUSTRALIAN INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS COMMISSION

Date of Operation (a)	Amount (\$)	Date of Operation	Amount (\$)
Adult males—		Adult females—	
1966— 11 July	36.55	1974— 23 May	57.90
1967— 1 July	37.55	30 September (b).....	61.30
1968— 25 October	38.90	1975— 1 January	68.50
1969— 19 December	42.40	15 May	72.10
1971— 1 January	46.40	18 September	82.90
1972— 19 May	51.50	1976— 15 February	88.20
1973— 29 May	60.10	1 April	93.20
1974— 23 May	68.10	15 May	96.00
1975— 1 January	76.10	15 August	98.50
15 May	80.10	22 November	100.70
18 September	82.90	1977— 31 March	106.40
1976— 15 February	88.20	24 May	108.40
1 April	93.20	22 August	110.60
15 May	96.00	12 December	112.30
15 August	98.50	1978— 28 February	114.00
22 November	100.70	7 June	115.50
1977— 31 March	106.40	12 December	120.00
24 May	108.40	1979— 27 June	123.90
22 August	110.60	1980— 4 January	129.50
12 December	112.30	14 July	134.90
1978— 28 February	114.00	1981— 9 January	139.90
7 June	115.50	7 May	144.90
12 December	120.10	1983— 6 October	151.10
1979— 27 June	123.90	1984— 6 April	157.30
1980— 4 January	129.50	1985— 6 April	161.38
14 July	134.90	1985— 4 November	167.50
1981— 9 January	139.90	*1986— 23 July	171.37
7 May	144.90	1997— 22 April (d)	359.40
1983— 6 October	151.10	1998— 29 April (d)	373.40
1984— 6 April	157.30	1999— 29 April (d)	385.40
1985— 6 April	161.38	2000— 1 May (d)	400.40
1985— 4 November	167.50	2001— 2 May (d)	413.40
*1986— 23 July	171.37	2002— 9 May (d)	431.40
1997— 22 April (d)	359.40	2003— 6 May (d)	448.40
1998— 29 April (d)	373.40	2004— 5 May (d)	467.40
1999— 29 April (d)	385.40	2005— 7 June (d)	484.40
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2001— 2 May (d)	413.40		
2002— 9 May (d)	431.40		
2003— 6 May (d)	448.40		
2004— 5 May (d)	467.40		
2005— 7 June (d)	484.40		

(a) Rates operative from beginning of first pay-period commencing on or after the date shown.

(b) Rate operative from the beginning of the pay-period in which 30 September occurs.

(c) Rate operative from the beginning of the pay-period in which 30 June occurs.

(d) Amendment to operate from date of variation to award.

*(Editor's Note: The National Wage case of December 1986 Print G64000 contained no increase in the minimum wage. The Full Bench of the Australian Commission decided that the special needs of lower paid workers should be addressed through supplementary payments.)