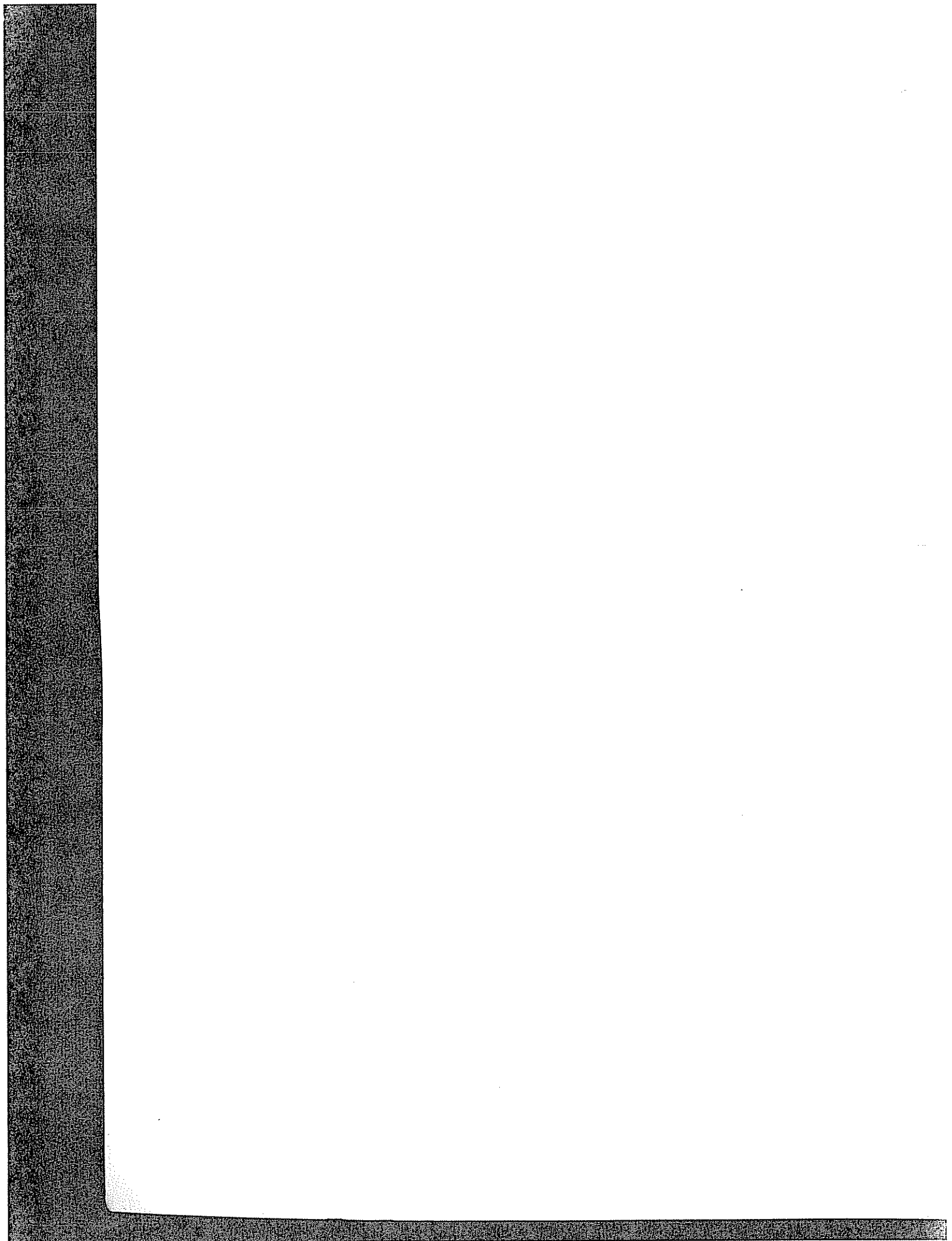




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FOREWORD

This report, Economic Developments in the Middle East, 1958-1959, forms part of the survey of the world economic situation prepared by the Secretariat of the United Nations, and is a supplement to World Economic Survey, 1959 (sales number: 60.II.C.1). It also complements the series of annual surveys prepared by the secretariats of the regional economic commissions and is a continuation of studies on the Middle East, of which the most recent is Economic Developments in the Middle East, 1957-1958 (sales number: 59.II.C.2).

The present study consists of a set of statistical tables, appended to an introductory review of developments under five headings: Agriculture, Industrial Production, Petroleum, Foreign Trade and Balance of Payments and Economic Development. The introduction supplies information not generally suited to tabular arrangement, mostly on developments that took place in 1959.

The countries covered in the tables are Cyprus, Iran, Iraq, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, Saudi Arabia and other countries of the Arabian Peninsula, Turkey and the United Arab Republic (Egyptian and Syrian regions).

As a comprehensive and analytical ten-year survey of economic developments in the Middle East is under preparation, the scope of the present report is limited to bringing up to date and enlarging the statistical series. The explanatory notes that precede the statistical tables are intended only to supplement and clarify the information contained in the tables, without attempting at this stage a work of economic analysis.

The appendix includes thirteen new statistical series, covering the following subjects for a number of recent years: investments in the petroleum industry; production, consumption and exports of crude and refined petroleum; consumption of major refined petroleum products; direction of crude petroleum exports from the Middle East and from the Caribbean area; consumption of commercial sources of energy; official gold and foreign exchange holdings; grants and loans to countries of the Middle East; development expenditure of Kuwait, Lebanon, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Republic (Egyptian Region) (four separate tables); United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (estimated total and net local expenditures by the host countries), and estimates of total population of the Middle East.

Also included in the appendix are four special tables dealing with specific developments that took place in 1959: "UAR (Syria): Distribution of Landlords Subject to Agrarian Reform Law, by District and Type of Land"; "UAR (Syria): Commodity Trade with the Egyptian Region"; "UAR (Syria): Implementation of the Agrarian Reform Law, 27 September 1958-August 1959"; and "Iraq: Four-year Interim Development Programme".

All the tables contained in the statistical appendix of Economic Developments in the Middle East, 1957-1958 (except for tables I, XV and XXIX) are continued in the present report, with some alterations and enlargement of coverage. The exceptions are, respectively, "Indices of Agricultural Production", which will be published by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, "Indices of Quantum and Unit Value, and Terms of Trade, Selected Countries" and

"Bank Credit Outstanding at Year End for Selected Economic Activities in Certain Countries", for which satisfactory information could not be collected.

This report was prepared by the Resources and Transport Branch in the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs. In general, the statistical data were either prepared directly by the Statistical Office of the United Nations or obtained from data published by that office. In addition, other official international and national sources were utilized; when such data were not available, private sources were consulted. Because of variations in methods of compiling data, information for the various countries is not always strictly comparable.

Most of the information contained in the introductory text was obtained from the Governments concerned; published and unpublished material from various official and private sources was also utilized.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The following symbols have been used in the tables throughout the report:

Three dots (...) indicate that data are not available or are not separately reported.

A dash (-) indicates that the amount is nil or negligible.

A blank in a table indicates that the item is not applicable.

A minus sign (-) indicates a deficit or decrease.

A full stop (.) is used to indicate decimals.

A comma (,) is used to distinguish thousands and millions.

A slash (/) indicates a crop year or financial year, e.g., 1955/56.

Use of a hyphen (-) between dates representing years, e.g. 1950-1954, signifies the full period involved, including the beginning and end years.

References to "tons" indicate metric tons, and to "dollars" United States dollars, unless otherwise stated.

The term "billion" signifies a thousand million.

Details and percentages in tables do not necessarily add to totals, because of rounding.

Information regarding rates of exchange may be found in issues of the United Nations, Monthly Bulletin of Statistics.

Certain abbreviations have been used: FAO for Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations; IBRD for International Bank for Reconstruction and Development; IMF for International Monetary Fund; IPC for Iraq Petroleum Company; OEEC for Organization for European Economic Co-operation; UAR for United Arab Republic; UNWRA for United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East.

The designations employed and the presentation of the material in this publication do not imply the expression of any opinion whatsoever on the part of the Secretariat of the United Nations concerning the legal status of any country or territory or of its authorities, or concerning the delimitation of its frontiers.

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AGRICULTURE

Agricultural production in 1958/59 rose in Turkey, Iran, Israel and, to some extent, in UAR (Egypt). In Lebanon, Jordan and UAR (Syria) adverse climatic conditions, continuing since 1957/58, considerably reduced agricultural income and worsened the external payments position of the two latter countries after two succeeding years of bumper crops in 1955/56 and 1956/57. Information concerning the first part of 1959/60 points to the likelihood of an improvement - of considerable but not striking proportions - over the meagre crop results of the previous two years. In Iraq agricultural production declined in 1958/59 as a result of unfavourable meteorological conditions and the initial difficult stages of agrarian reform.

On the whole, agricultural progress has lagged behind the progress made in industry and other economic activities; this tends to affect the external payments position of the countries of the Middle East as population and consumption increase and larger imports of foodstuffs, raw materials and investment goods become necessary.

Iran

Although adequate data are not available, it appears that agricultural production - under satisfactory climatic conditions during the past three years - has noticeably expanded in 1959, continuing a trend practically uninterrupted since the period 1948-52.

Several irrigation, flood control and water supply projects are under construction. They include three major dams: one at Karaj, which will store 200 million cubic metres of water and generate 150 million kilowatt-hours of electricity; the second at Safid Rud, which will store 1,800 million cubic metres of water, irrigate about 180,000 hectares of land and generate 300 million kilowatt-hours of electricity from a 64,000-kilowatt power plant; and the third at Dez, which will irrigate an area of 145,000 hectares and have a power plant with an installed capacity of 130,000 kilowatts, which will later be raised to 520,000 kilowatts. The Plan Organization invested an amount of Rls 7.6 billion in its irrigation projects in 1955/56-1958/59, and Rls 11.1 billion has been programmed for the period 1959/60 to 1962/63. With the implementation of these irrigation projects and the extension of the larger credits, recently made available, to agriculture - Rls 3.5 billion, of which Rls 1.5 billion had been advanced by the Agricultural Bank to farmers by July 1959 - together with the considerable improvement registered in recent years in farming techniques, further increases in agricultural production are expected during the next few years.

The Government greatly encouraged the use of fertilizers and farm machinery by selling them direct to farmers and on credit. Distribution of the crown lands continued, and a decision was taken to redistribute government farm holdings among farmers. At the end of 1959 a bill was also presented to Parliament for the redistribution of large private farm holdings.

Table 1. Iran: Acreage and Production of Principal Crops
(Acreage in thousands of hectares; production in thousands of tons)

| Crop and item | Annual average 1948-1952 | 1957/58 | 1958/59 |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------|---------|
| <u>Wheat:</u> | | | |
| Acreage | 2,080 | 2,500 | ... |
| Production | 1,860 | 2,700 | 3,103 |
| <u>Barley:</u> | | | |
| Acreage | 757 | 900 | ... |
| Production | 767 | 950 | 1,000 |
| <u>Rice:</u> | | | |
| Acreage | 220 | 223 | 259 |
| Production | 424 | 435 | 526 |
| <u>Cotton lint:</u> ^{a/} | | | |
| Acreage | 133 | 260 | 270 |
| Production | 26 | 72 | 79 |
| <u>Sugar-beets:</u> ^{a/} | | | |
| Acreage | 34 | 46 | ... |
| Production | 349 | 730 | 800 |

Source: Tables I and II.

^{a/} Estimated.

Iraq

Partly as a consequence of adverse meteorological conditions similar to those which have affected farming in Lebanon, Jordan and UAR (Syria) during the past two years, and in part as a result of the first stages of an agrarian reform which has brought about a dislocation of long-standing arrangements and the mutual division of responsibilities between landowners and farmers, the agricultural production of Iraq in 1958/59 suffered an extended setback following the bumper crops of 1955/56 and 1956/57. An exception is the production of dates, which, however, are facing difficult marketing problems, since low-grade qualities constitute the bulk of the crop and of the unsold stocks.

Although the Development Board has invested large sums - well over ID 60 million between 1951/52 and 1958/59 - in irrigation and reclamation projects, these projects have not yet reached the production stage; only indirect benefits have so far resulted from the Wadi Tharthar scheme for the effective control of floods of the Tigris River. In the next few years the impact of certain major projects should be felt upon cultivable and irrigated areas.

Table 2. Iraq: Acreage and Production of Principal Crops
(Acreage in thousands of hectares; production in thousands of tons)

| Crop and item | Annual average 1948-1952 | 1956/57 | 1957/58 | 1958/59 |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| <u>Wheat:</u> | | | | |
| Acreage | 936 | 1,456 | 1,532 | ... |
| Production | 448 | 1,118 | 754 | 671 |
| <u>Barley:</u> | | | | |
| Acreage | 934 | 1,240 | 1,157 | 1,165 |
| Production | 722 | 1,305 | 953 | 764 |
| <u>Dates:</u> | | | | |
| Production | 313 | 323 | 324 | ... |

Source: Tables I and II.

In September 1958 an Agrarian Reform Law was enacted, limiting land ownership to 1,000 dunums ^{1/} for irrigated land and 2,000 dunums for rain-fed land. Expropriated land is being paid for in Government bonds redeemable within twenty years and bearing 3 per cent interest, and the same terms apply to the purchase by farmers of expropriated land, after a three-year grace period. Ten million dunums of land are to be reformed, and 3,253 landowners are subject to this reform; in addition 2 million dunums of Government-owned land are to be parcelled among farmers. By the end of 1959, an area of 2.3 million dunums had been appropriated from 256 landowners. There appear to be 700,000 landless families in Iraq; out of this number some 250,000 to 350,000 might be accommodated on expropriated land; the rest might obtain ownership of the new lands which - as a result of the Government projects completed, under way or programmed - will be made available for cultivation in the course of time. It is expected that the complete distribution of the land under reform will take at least five years, as the bulk of the parcels still await surveying.

The land reform programme is aimed mainly at the creation of small, family-owned-and-operated farms. Although the Government is establishing a significant programme of State farms, even if this programme is carried out fully, it will hardly cover 1 per cent of the country's farm land. Clearly the largest portion of the land and a great majority of the country's farmers will come under the one-third million small farms that will emerge from the land reform.

It is safe to say that the success of the agricultural policies of the Iraqi Republic will depend to a great extent on the establishment and efficient

^{1/} One dunum equals 0.26 acre.

operation of a programme for helping the farmers to: (a) face the problems of transition from the old estates to the new communities of small owner-farmers; (b) improve their land, equipment and livestock and their practices in raising and marketing farm produce. This will involve not only capital investment but also guidance and advice on both technical matters and the introduction of new and recasting of existing community institutions for promoting self-help activities in the villages. As the traditional role of the landlord as the main supplier of agricultural credit is shrinking, the Agricultural Bank's capital has been increased from ID 3 million to ID 6 million in the 1959/60 budget. In due course the lending authority of the Agricultural Bank might have to be doubled or trebled, to cope with increasing credit needs, but this would not raise major problems in a country like Iraq where lack of capital is not at present a limiting factor in economic development.

Israel

In Israel agricultural production continued to expand in 1957/58 and 1958/59, despite the unfavourable weather conditions which affected the output of crops in the Negev, Beth Shean and lower Galilee regions. In real terms the value of total agricultural production rose by 16 per cent in 1957/58 and by between 12 and 14 per cent in 1958/59. This expansion resulted largely from development activities, started in earlier years, combined with changes in production methods and training of manpower. Total gross investment in agriculture and irrigation continued to represent nearly one-fifth of the total gross domestic investment in the economy, while the contribution of this sector to the net domestic product remained at 12 per cent.

There has been small extension of the area under cultivation - 3.1 per cent in 1957/58 and 2.5 per cent in 1958/59 - while the area under irrigation rose considerably - 7.7 per cent in 1957/58 and 8.9 per cent in 1958/59. Development activities continued on the Jordan river project, in order to extend the irrigation area in the south by transporting water through pipelines.

Structural changes have taken place in the production of agricultural goods in recent years. Livestock and poultry products have registered sharp increases, largely because of their favourable prices. There was also appreciable rise in the production of industrial crops, mainly due to Government encouragement and extension of credits on easier terms. Moreover, in 1958/59, good yields and increased output from growing trees and groves resulted in an increase of 35 per cent in the production of citrus fruits and 50 per cent in that of other fruit crops.

The increased production of agricultural goods contributed to an improvement in the balance of payments, through raising exports of goods originating in agriculture, as well as replacing imports of agricultural products. The value of exports of agricultural products alone increased 23 per cent in 1957 and 5 per cent in 1958. The larger increase in the former year was mainly due to a rise in the prices of citrus fruits - the most important export item of Israel - in the world market, which was not sustained in 1958.

Table 3: Israel: Development of Agricultural Sector

| Item | Annual average 1950/51-1952/53 | 1956/57 | 1957/58 | 1958/59 |
|---|-----------------------------------|---------|---------|-------------|
| Cultivated area (thousands of dunums) | 3,460 | 3,820 | 3,940 | 4,040 |
| Irrigated land (thousands of dunums) | 550 | 1,100 | 1,185 | 1,290 |
| Value of agricultural products at 1948/49 prices (millions of Israel pounds) | 72.6 | 139.8 | 162.8 | 182.0-185.0 |
| Agricultural exports (millions of dollars) ^{a/} | 16.6 | 44.3 | 54.4 | 57.3 |
| Contribution of agriculture to net domestic product at factor cost (percentage) ^{a/} . . . | 11.6 ^{b/} | 12.2 | 12.4 | 12.2 |
| Gross domestic investment in agriculture at 1957 prices (millions of Israel pounds) ^{a/} . . | 135.0 | 141.0 | 166.0 | 180.0 |
| Gross investment in agriculture as percentage of total gross investment ^{a/} | 19.0 | 20.2 | 19.2 | 19.3 |

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics, Statistical Abstract of Israel, 1958/59 (Jerusalem, 1959); Israel Government Yearbook, 1958 and 1959 (Jerusalem); data on investments obtained from the Bank of Israel.

^{a/} Data relate to calendar year.

^{b/} 1952.

Jordan

For the second successive year, an unusually low rainfall crippled agricultural production, the main economic activity of Jordan. In both 1958 and 1959 the value of agricultural production was below the 1952 level: according to rough estimates, it amounted to JD 13 million and JD 16 million, respectively, against JD 18 million in 1952.

Table 4. Jordan: Acreage and Production of Principal Crops
(Acreage in thousands of hectares; production in thousands of tons)

| Crop and item | Annual average 1948-1952 | 1957/58 | 1958/59 |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|---------|------------------|
| <u>Wheat:</u> | | | |
| Acreage | 182 | 300 | ... |
| Production | 127 | 66 | 82 |
| <u>Barley:</u> | | | |
| Acreage | 62 | 103 | ...a/ |
| Production | 52 | 17 | 30 ^{a/} |

Source: Tables I and II.

a/ Estimated.

The sustained drought offset not only the possible benefits of the intensive terracing works which have been carried out since 1952 - adding some 34,000 acres to the cultivable land at an estimated cost of JD 1.5 million - and the impact of adding some 16,000 acres to irrigated land during the same period - at an estimated cost of JD 0.5 million - but also destroyed large numbers of the 1.5 million trees planted under afforestation schemes between 1953 and 1958, and inevitably discouraged further attempts in that direction.

As a partial consequence of these crop failures, imports of agricultural products showed a large increase from 1952 to 1958 - rising from JD 6 million to JD 11 million - further aggravating the wide gap in the external trade transactions of Jordan.

Work continued in 1959 on the first section of the East Ghor Canal, a project of major consequences to the agricultural economy of Jordan. This is a part of the Yarmuk-Jordan Valley project which went into the planning stages as early as 1938. After the interested countries failed to reach an over-all agreement, Jordan, with the co-operation of the United States Operations Mission to Jordan, started work on a segment of the plan, the irrigation of the East Ghor with waters derived from the Yarmuk River, covering 22 kilometres out of a total length of 69 kilometres. The building of the whole East Ghor Canal involves the reclamation of 120,000 dunums of rich soil; when the canal is completed, it is estimated that the agricultural income from the newly reclaimed lands will reach JD 4.5 million a year. The first phase, already financed, will be finished in

1960/61 at a cost of JD 1.3 million; the second phase, to be started in the near future as soon as financing is assured, will take two years to complete at a cost of JD 2.6 million.

Lebanon

As in the case of the other countries in the largely dry farmed belt that ranges from west of Iran to the Mediterranean, Lebanon suffered in 1959, for the second consecutive year, from an extended period of drought. However, as the contribution of agriculture to national income in Lebanon is estimated to be about 15 per cent, this has scarcely affected the over-all economic position of the country. Furthermore, even though it is estimated that ever two-fifths of the population derive all or a large part of their income from agriculture, the crops of greatest economic significance for Lebanon - apples, bananas and citrus fruit - are not substantially affected by the vagaries of rainfall. Moreover, these crops, as a consequence of the fact that many new orchards are now reaching the producing stage, are creating larger export surpluses.

Table 5. Lebanon: Consumption, Imports and Exports of Selected Agricultural Commodities, 1957/58 and 1958/59
(Thousands of tons)

| Commodity and year | Production | Domestic consumption | Imports | Exports |
|--------------------|------------|----------------------|---------|---------|
| <u>Grains:</u> | | | | |
| 1958/59 | 47 | 274 | 265 | 3 |
| 1959/60 | 36 | 281 | 282 | 5 |
| <u>Apples:</u> | | | | |
| 1958/59 | 33 | 5 | - | 26 |
| 1959/60 | 44 | 7 | - | 35 |
| <u>Bananas:</u> | | | | |
| 1958/59 | 22 | 6 | - | 16 |
| 1959/60 | 18 | 5 | - | 14 |
| <u>Lemons:</u> | | | | |
| 1958/59 | 18 | 5 | - | 12 |
| 1959/60 | 18 | 5 | - | 12 |
| <u>Oranges:</u> | | | | |
| 1958/59 | 70 | 11 | - | 58 |
| 1959/60 | 80 | 15 | - | 64 |

Source: Private estimates.

An adverse balance in the international food trade, which has been a traditional component of the adverse balance of trade of Lebanon, is no cause of major concern as other transactions more than make up for this and other imbalances in its merchandise transactions.

Turkey

Information available on 1958 and 1959 crop results for Turkey - a country where the bulk of agricultural production is obtained from non-irrigated farming conditions - has been far less disappointing than was to be expected as a consequence of unfavourable weather conditions.

Table 6. Turkey: Acreage and Production of Principal Crops
(Acreage in thousands of hectares; production in thousands of tons)

| Crop and item | Annual average 1948-1952 | 1957/58 | 1958/59 |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|---------|---------|
| <u>Wheat:</u> | | | |
| Acreage | 4,770 | 7,569 | 7,666 |
| Production | 4,771 | 8,671 | 7,987 |
| <u>Barley:</u> | | | |
| Acreage | 1,972 | 2,700 | 2,750 |
| Production | 2,270 | 3,600 | 3,300 |
| <u>Maize:</u> | | | |
| Acreage | 598 | 690 | 700 |
| Production | 747 | 900 | 1,000 |
| <u>Cotton:</u> | | | |
| Acreage | 474 | 631 | 624 |
| Production | 119 | 180 | 190 |
| <u>Sugar-beets:</u> | | | |
| Acreage | 50 | 144 | 167 |
| Production | 963 | 2,338 | 3,390 |
| <u>Olives:</u> | | | |
| Production | 269 | 482 | 402 |
| <u>Oil-seeds:</u> | | | |
| Acreage | 707 | 905 | 904 |
| Production | 391 | 521 | 600 |
| <u>Citrus fruit:</u> | | | |
| Production | 79 | 306 | ... |

Source: Tables I and II.

While the area cropped with cereals has greatly increased during the period under consideration, yields have remained stationary for this and for most other crops. It may be assumed that through recent increases in mechanization and ever-increasing acreage allotted to cereals, the production of grainstuffs has reached its limit in Turkey and that areas which have been put under the plough are more economically suited for pasture. In the future, agricultural progress in Turkey will depend to a great extent upon structural changes. Cereal production could be stabilized at about the present levels on reduced acreage with the application of more intensive agricultural methods.

Animal husbandry has shown progress in the past few years - the number of goats, sheep, cattle, horses and other livestock increased during the period 1955 to 1957 from 62.7 million head to 68.4 million head with further increases in 1958 and 1959. Meat production has also shown an increase during the period 1955 to 1957 from 1.38 million tons to 1.58 million tons. Livestock breeding seems about to play a more important role in the economy of Turkey through meeting local demand, supplying raw materials for domestic industries and as a source of exports.

According to information in the Budget Law for 1959, public investments in the agricultural sector were LT 428 million in 1958 as against LT 382 million in 1957. An investment of LT 551 million was scheduled for 1959. As these figures also cover expenditure for multi-purpose dam construction projects, purely agricultural investments are somewhat less than these amounts.

United Arab Republic (Egypt)

Under the agricultural conditions prevailing in Egypt - limited and fully irrigated land, combined with relatively advanced agricultural techniques, and agricultural yields among the highest in the world - no major changes in agricultural production need be anticipated from year to year as a result of weather conditions.

In 1958, however, agriculture was affected by anomalous conditions affecting the water supply for irrigation; up to the middle of July there was a water shortage affecting the sowing of the summer crops - chiefly rice and millet, output of which fell materially in comparison to that in preceding years. On the other hand, in the late summer, the exceptionally high Nile flood favoured the sowing and growth of "flood" crops - chiefly maize - but was detrimental to crops already sown under unfavourable conditions of water deficiency. Winter crops, mainly wheat, barley, beans and lentils, were less severely affected than summer crops. Agricultural output in 1959 reflected the normal conditions of water supply. As a consequence of a stricter enforcement of the acreage law, which stipulates that one-third of the areas suitable for wheat must be planted to wheat only, a slight increase was registered in the wheat acreage.

Since 1956 imports of wheat have sharply increased in Egypt, reaching the level of £E24.2 million in 1958. With a view to easing this position, agreements have been reached with the United States Government for the delivery of food grains to Egypt with payment in local currency in accordance with the stipulations of United States Public Law 480. In December 1958 deliveries of wheat and wheat flour to the value of \$43.8 million were agreed. An additional agreement, in

May 1959, provided for a further shipment of food grains, food products and tobacco in the amount of \$23.5 million. A third agreement, in July 1959, provided for additional sales of wheat in the amount of \$57.7 million. ^{2/}

Table 7. United Arab Republic (Egypt): Acreage and Production of Principal Crops
(Acreage in thousands of hectares; production in thousands of tons)

| Crop and item | Annual average 1948-1952 | 1957/58 | 1958/59 |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|---------|---------|
| <u>Wheat:</u> | | | |
| Acreage | 605 | 599 | 620 |
| Production | 1,113 | 1,412 | 1,443 |
| <u>Maize:</u> | | | |
| Acreage | 660 | 821 | 779 |
| Production | 1,378 | 1,758 | 1,560 |
| <u>Rice:</u> | | | |
| Acreage | 256 | 218 | 306 |
| Production | 971 | 1,082 | 1,535 |
| <u>Cotton:</u> | | | |
| Acreage | 761 | 800 | 740 |
| Production | 396 | 446 | 454 |

Source: Tables I and II.

As a maximum of only 33 per cent of cultivable land may be devoted to cotton the cotton acreage was substantially reduced in 1959, but, due to increased yield a slight improvement in the volume of production was ultimately registered for that crop. World cotton prices, which have declined since 1957, began to rise in November 1959.

The marketing of cotton has also become easier since the 1958/59 season, and was proceeding smoothly at the beginning of the 1959/60 season.

While during the 1957/58 and 1958/59 marketing seasons, increased exports were oriented towards the Soviet Union and eastern Europe, the further marketing improvements registered in 1958/59 and 1959/60 took place in the markets of western and southern Europe, enlarging and strengthening the marketing base of an export commodity that makes up almost four-fifths of the total exports of Egypt.

^{2/} These transactions are not included in table XXIX.

Table 8. External Prices of Egyptian Cotton
(United States cents per pound, c.i.f. Liverpool)

| Period | Medium staple, Ashmouni, fully good | Long staple, Karnak fully good |
|---------------------|---|--------------------------------------|
| <u>1959/60</u> | | |
| August | 33.94 | 38.10 |
| September | 34.60 | 37.05 |
| October | 34.58 | 36.89 |
| November | 36.72 | 38.69 |
| December | 40.82 | 41.87 |
| January | 46.83 | 47.53 |

Source: International Cotton Advisory Committee, Washington, D.C.

United Arab Republic (Syria)

For the second consecutive year, Syria experienced in 1958/59 a severe crop failure, as a consequence of adverse weather conditions. This was aggravated by the fact that, after the two very favourable crops of 1955/56 and 1956/57, the country had established itself on a relatively high plateau of agricultural income and expenditure.

Even though Syria has remained practically self-sufficient with respect to grains, its export income from this source has been severely curtailed, as shown below:

Exports of barley, wheat and flour
(Millions of Syrian pounds)

| | <u>1957</u> | <u>1958</u> | <u>1958</u> (First half) | <u>1959</u> |
|---------------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------------------|-------------|
| Barley | 52 | 13 | 13 | - |
| Wheat and flour . . | 90 | 46 | 29 | 0.2 |

Source: Table XXXI.

While the index of agricultural production (1956 = 100) went up to 107 in 1957 and down to 76 in 1958, the index of agricultural income, which rose to 111 in 1957, fell still further - to 59 in 1958.

Table 9. United Arab Republic (Syria): Acreage and Production
of Principal Crops
(Acreage in thousands of hectares; production in thousands of tons)

| Crop and item | Annual average 1948-1952 | 1956/57 | 1957/58 | 1958/59 |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| <u>Wheat:</u> | | | | |
| Acreage | 994 | 1,495 | 1,460 | 1,422 |
| Production | 762 | 1,354 | 562 | 632 |
| <u>Barley:</u> | | | | |
| Acreage | 369 | 813 | 769 | 727 |
| Production | 321 | 721 | 228 | 218 |
| <u>Pulses:</u> | | | | |
| Acreage | 108 | 137 | 169 | 126 |
| Production | 79 | 100 | 51 | 47 |
| <u>Cotton:</u> | | | | |
| Acreage | 107 | 258 | 261 | 227 |
| Production | 30 | 107 | 97 | 98 |

Source: Tables I and II.

To appreciate the gravity of this setback, it should be borne in mind that even though cotton, unaffected by weather conditions since it is grown on irrigated land, is a main cash crop of Syria, the bulk of agricultural income arises from the grain crop: in 1957, for instance, the gross income from cereals amounted to LS 445 million, while the total income arising from all industrial crops, including cotton, amounted to LS 259 million. As a consequence of these crop failures, prices of wheat rose in 1958 from LS 210 per ton in January to LS 240 per ton in December. By early December 1959 wheat prices had increased to LS 330 per ton. In order to keep prices under control, the Government allowed private wheat imports - previously forbidden - and entered into an agreement with the United States Government for purchases under Public Law 480 of wheat worth \$9.6 million. ^{3/}

On the other hand, the marketing of cotton proceeded smoothly, favoured partly by an increase in local demand, partly by new international agreements, especially one with Spain involving the sale of 13,000 tons. A considerable improvement and some standardization of quality were also instrumental in marketing cotton abroad at prices which were depressed until late 1959 but continuously

^{3/} This transaction is not included in table XXIX.

improving after the end of that year; at the end of 1958/59 the unsold stocks were negligible and a similar outlook seems to prevail for the 1959/60 season.

Against this setting of economic difficulties, the work of land reform continued.

The Agrarian Reform Law for the Syrian Region was promulgated on 27 September 1958. This law fixed the maximum limit of ownership at eighty hectares of irrigated and orchard land and 300 hectares of non-irrigated land per person. In addition to the maximum limit, the owner is entitled to dispose of ten hectares of irrigated land and forty hectares of non-irrigated land for his wife and each of his children, provided the total area in such case does not exceed forty hectares of irrigated land and 160 hectares of non-irrigated land. The law provides that the expropriated land shall be distributed to small farmers in plots not exceeding eight hectares of irrigated and orchard land and thirty hectares of non-irrigated land. The total area of land earmarked for redistribution among small farmers is roughly 2.45 million hectares, or about 45 per cent of the total cultivated land in 1958. ^{4/}

The number of new beneficiaries affected by the Agrarian Reform Law is estimated to be 750,000, or about 150,000 families, representing 17 per cent of the total population or 27 per cent of the rural population in 1958.

There seems to be considerable variation in the published figures in regard to the area of land so far expropriated and distributed. According to the latest statistics published by the Ministry of Agrarian Reform, the area expropriated in the period from 27 September 1958 to August 1959 is 109,904 hectares, and the area distributed in the same period is 34,744 hectares, involving 2,303 families. ^{5/}

Tables VII and VIII give some details concerning the consequences of the law.

^{4/} The irrigated land subject to expropriation represents about 21 per cent of the total irrigated land under cultivation in 1958, and the non-irrigated land earmarked for expropriation represents about 48 per cent of the total non-irrigated land under cultivation in the same year.

^{5/} According to a recent press release of the Ministry of Agrarian Reform, the total area of land distributed, up to 27 July 1959, was 204,372 hectares, involving 7,335 families located in 111 villages.

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION

Industrial production in the countries of the Middle East rose considerably during 1959. Information available for the various countries is summarized below

Iran

Industrial production and investment increased in Iran during 1958 and 1959. The main expansion in production took place in the food processing, textile and construction materials industries - especially in the output of sugar, vegetable oils, cotton piece-goods and cement. There was also a rise in the output of chemicals, pharmaceuticals and beverages. The rise in manufacturing output resulted largely from the launching, in the previous few years, of numerous new industrial projects, some of which had started operations. Larger increases in the output of manufacturing industry are expected in the coming years as the new projects reach the production stage. For instance, the completion of these projects will raise the production of cotton piece-goods by 200 million metres, sugar by 55,000 tons, vegetable oils by 20,000 tons and cement by 360,000 tons.

Table 10. Iran: Production of Selected Major Industrial Goods
(Thousands of tons, unless otherwise specified)

| Product | 1956/57 | 1957/58 | 1958/59 |
|--|---------|---------|---------|
| Electricity (millions of kilowatt-hours) . . | 600.0 | 620.0 | 650.0 |
| Sugar, lump | 70.2 | 75.3 | 93.9 |
| Sugar, powder | 32.8 | 36.5 | 39.6 |
| Tea, processed | 8.7 | 6.1 | 8.0 |
| Vegetable oil | 6.7 | 7.6 | 13.7 |
| Ice | ... | 219.2 | 228.0 |
| Cigarettes (millions) | 6.7 | 6.1 | 7.2 |
| Tobacco | 4.9 | 4.5 | 4.5 |
| Cotton piece-goods (millions of square metres) <u>a/</u> | 61.8 | 74.7 | 107.5 |
| Leather, sole | 2.3 | 2.4 | 2.7 |
| Leather, upper (millions of square feet) . . | 6.2 | 7.8 | 7.2 |
| Matches (millions of boxes) | 305.0 | 383.7 | 401.5 |
| Soap | ... | 14.4 | 30.7 |
| Cement | 224.5 | 313.4 | 410.1 |

Source: United Nations, World Energy Supplies, 1955-1958 (sales number: 59.XVII.7); Ministry of Industry and Mines, Statistical Yearbook, 1958/59 (Teheran, 1959).

Note: Data refer to the Iranian year beginning on 20-22 March.

a/ Excluding the production of hand looms, which amounted to approximately 50 million metres of cotton piece-goods in 1958/59.

Among the new projects undertaken are several new lines of production such as plants for the output of tyres, cane sugar, pharmaceuticals, various metal products and for the assembling of cars and refrigerators. Projects were also under way for the development of the petro-chemical industry, including the construction of a fertilizer plant at Shiraz with a capacity of 90,000 tons of ammonium nitrate per annum, at a cost of \$29 million, and a polyvinyl chloride factory at Ahwaz with an annual capacity of 4,000 tons, at a cost of \$11 million. Both of these projects will utilize the natural gas produced in the oilfields, most of which is at present flared. The supply of electric power is also expected to grow rapidly. In addition to the numerous thermo-power plants being built, the hydro-power generators of the dams at present under construction are planned to increase electricity generation by over 1 billion kilowatt-hours by 1962. Negotiation also continued with Demag-Krupp for construction of a steel plant at Azna, with a capacity of 200,000 tons per annum, and it was reported that the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany was prepared to extend credits for realization of this project.

The Iranian Government continued to encourage investment in manufacturing by private domestic and foreign firms, and restricted its direct industrial investments largely to the development of heavy industry. The credits extended by the Government to private industry from the Revaluation Fund for the development of new projects in a two-year period ending September 1959 amounted to 5,094 million rials, of which 3,158 million rials had been paid. Moreover, in October 1959, the Iranian Government, together with the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, assisted the establishment of the Industrial and Mining Development Bank of Iran in order to encourage development of private industry, through extension of credits, direct participation and technical aid. The capital of this bank had been subscribed by local and foreign investors and its total capital resources were \$42 million.

Iraq

A paramount feature of the policy of the new Government of Iraq is the speeding up of the pace of industrialization. The contribution of industry to the gross national product in 1957 was estimated to be only a small fraction of the total. Table 11 gives some bench-marks on the volume of industrial production and on the progress registered during the past year.

Table 11. Iraq: Industrial Production, 1957/58 and 1958/59
(Thousands of indicated units)

| Product | 1957/58 | 1958/59 |
|---------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Cement (tons) | 669.4 | 660.6 |
| Leather tanning: | | |
| Upper leather (square feet) | 3,223.0 | 2,481.1 |
| Sole leather (tons) | - | 415.4 |
| Soap (tons) | 6.0 | 8.3 |
| Vegetable oil (tons) | 9.3 | 13.1 |
| Woollen textiles: | | |
| Cloth (square metres) | 564.0 | 620.0 |
| Blankets (number) | 228.0 | 241.7 |
| Cotton textiles (yards) | 21,225.9 | 30,245.4 |
| Beer (litres) | 2,670.8 | 2,930.4 |
| Matches (gross) | 652.9 | 713.1 |
| Cigarettes (millions) | 3.2 | 3.7 |
| Shoes (pairs) | 1,971.2 | ... |
| Gases (cubic feet): | | |
| Oxygen | 7,213.2 | 8,014.7 |
| Acetylene | 1,418.5 | 1,576.1 |
| Carbon dioxide | 0.8 | 0.8 |
| Nitrogen | 35.0 | 38.0 |

Source: Ministry of Industry.

Limited investment took place in certain branches of industry during the past year, namely, in leather tanning and cotton spinning and weaving, as is shown in table 12.

Table 12. Iraq: Cumulative Private and Government Capital
Investment in Industry, 1957/58 to 1958/59

(Thousands of Iraqi dinars)

| Branch of industry | 1957/58 | 1958/59 |
|---------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| <u>Private investment:</u> | | |
| Cement | 6,900.0 | 6,900.0 |
| Cotton spinning and weaving | 1,249.7 | 1,432.9 |
| Leather tanning | 565.1 | 615.1 |
| Vegetable oil and soap | 1,738.4 | 1,738.4 |
| Aluminium products | 301.0 | 301.0 |
| Asbestos | 300.0 | 300.0 |
| Jute | 611.3 | 611.3 |
| Wool spinning and weaving | 1,125.2 | 1,125.2 |
| Knitted goods | 282.0 | 282.0 |
| Cigarettes | 147.0 | 147.0 |
| <u>Government investment:</u> | | |
| Petroleum refining | 22,367.0 | 22,367.0 |
| Cotton spinning and weaving | 3,250.0 | 3,250.0 |
| Wool spinning and weaving | 1,050.0 | 1,050.0 |
| Cement | 5,600.0 | 5,600.0 |
| Sugar | 2,250.0 | 2,250.0 |

Source: Ministry of Industry.

With a view to encouraging private investment, the capitalization of the Industrial Bank, which provides financial assistance to private industrial ventures, was increased from ID 3.5 million to ID 4.14 million in 1958/59. As of March 1959, the bank had disbursed industrial loans totalling ID 3.3 million and had equity investments of ID 1.94 million.

An Iraqi-Soviet Economic and Technical Co-operation Agreement, signed in Moscow on 16 March 1959, secured for Iraq the financial co-operation and, more important, the technical assistance of the Soviet Union to carry out a large programme of economic development and industrialization. Under the agreement the Soviet Union granted the Iraqi Republic a loan of half a billion roubles, or about ID 45 million.

The targets to be reached under this co-operation agreement^{b/} are:

- "1. The area of irrigated land will be increased by 2 million hectares;
2. The cultivable area in southern Iraq will be increased by 1.5 million hectares after completing the filling of marshes;
3. The Baghdad iron and steel mill will produce more than half the iron bars needed locally, which are now imported from abroad;
4. When the Basrah fertilizer plant starts operation, it will meet all the local requirements for fertilizers;
5. After the completion of the cotton, woollen and textile weaving factories, domestic production will almost meet local demand for these products;
6. Local needs will also be met for such products as agricultural machinery, glassware, electric bulbs and medical drugs;
7. After the improvement of navigation on the Tigris and Euphrates rivers and the completion of the Baghdad-Basrah standard-gauge railway line, loading capacities on the rivers and on the railways will be greatly increased;
8. The establishment of the atomic centre will permit the use of atomic energy for peaceful purposes on a large scale;
9. Radio and television transmission will be radically improved."

A certain number of the industrial plants provided for by the co-operation agreement are in the blueprint stage or are now being surveyed. It is estimated that the implementation of the Iraqi-Soviet Agreement may take from four to five years.

Israel

Industrial output in 1959 is estimated to have increased by some 13 per cent. The increase in added value at constant prices is estimated at 14 per cent. Table 13 shows some details by branch of industry during the first ten months of 1959.

^{6/} As summarized during a press conference held in Baghdad on 15 March 1960, by Mr. V.N. Gouscheri, Counsellor for Economic Affairs at the Soviet Embassy in Baghdad.

Table 13. Israel: Indices of Industrial Production

| Branch of industry | Average, | |
|--|------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| | Average 1958 (1957 = 100) | January-October 1959 (1958 = 100) |
| General index | 109.7 | 110.3 |
| Minerals | 127.4 | 126.3 |
| Food | 113.3 | 102.8 |
| Textiles | 106.8 | 103.9 |
| Clothing and footwear | 115.9 | 122.4 |
| Woodwork | 100.9 | 110.4 |
| Paper and cardboard) | 111.5 (| 107.7 |
| Printing) | | 110.0 |
| Leather and products | 46.9 | 112.2 |
| Rubber products | 112.0 | 112.1 |
| Chemicals, pharmaceuticals and petroleum products | 102.7 | 111.0 |
| Stone and cement | 109.3 | 111.5 |
| Diamonds | 90.2 | 129.0 |
| Metals) | 103.7 (| 117.8 |
| Metal products) | | 109.6 |
| Machinery | 101.8 | 111.1 |
| Electric appliances | 115.0 | 111.5 |
| Transport equipment | 127.0 | 116.8 |
| Miscellaneous | 97.7 | 109.4 |

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics of Israel.

A considerable part of the increase in output in 1959 was achieved by better utilization of the installed productive capacity, occasioned to some extent by a rising local demand. Part of the additional industrial output permitted the replacement of imports by local production, and this contributed to the improvement of the balance of payments. A further expansion of industrial production, possibly by 10 or 12 per cent, is expected in 1960, on the basis of investments made in 1958 and 1959.

The value of total output in industry in 1959 is provisionally estimated at £I 1,940 million, as compared with £I 1,715 million in 1958, and is anticipated to rise to about £I 2,150 million, at constant prices, in 1960. Added value in industry is estimated at about £I 710 million in 1959 as compared with £I 617 million in 1958, and is expected to reach about £I 800 million in 1960, at current prices.

The projection of industrial development as part of a general economic plan envisages a growth of some 75 per cent in total industrial output from 1958 to 1965. It is estimated that almost one-third of the additional output will

result from better utilization of existing equipment and about two-thirds from new investments. The additional net investment necessary for the projected development is estimated at £1 786 million, excluding investment for the expansion of electricity generating capacity.

The output of minerals is expected to increase by two and a half times during these seven years, chemical production as well as the production of vehicles is expected to more than double, and the production of machinery is anticipated to increase threefold. All other branches are estimated to expand by 50 to 90 per cent. Some 40 per cent of the additional production is planned for exports. In 1959, approximately 40 per cent of the additional industrial production was exported.

Jordan

In recent years Jordan has experienced a substantial expansion of its industrial sector against a comparatively unfavourable background of natural and financial resources.

In 1954, there were in operation 421 manufacturing industries employing five or more persons. The total number employed in these industries was 8,198 and their wages and salaries totalled JD 637,448. 7/ At the end of 1957, according to official government figures, there were 1,038 industrial establishments employing five or more persons, with 13,453 employees whose annual wages and salaries amounted to JD 1,409,820. That is, in the short period of three years the industrial payroll more than doubled, and 64 per cent more persons were employed in 147 per cent more establishments.

Satisfactory results have been achieved, for instance, in the establishment in Jordan of a brewery, a profitable operation already reaching out for exports in the Arab world. Equally satisfactory are the achievements of the cement and cigarette industries, and of a variety of light industries, such as leather tanning and production of furniture and truck and bus bodies, recently established or expanded. An oil refinery is being built, which will be fed from transit pipelines; but by far the most important new industry is phosphate rock-mining, production in which has progressively increased between 1953 and 1958 as a consequence of intensified efforts and technical reorganization, from about 40,000 tons of dry product to over 300,000 tons.

A 1959 United States Development Loan Fund credit of \$1.5 million will enable the Jordan Phosphate Company to expand further its productive facilities and it can reasonably be expected that the 1 million-ton mark scheduled for 1965 will be reached ahead of time, possibly as early as 1962/63.

7/ International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, Economic Development of Jordan (Baltimore, 1957).

Meanwhile, experts of the United States International Corporation Administration and of Yugometal of Yugoslavia, in addition to Jordanian experts, are reaching the tentative conclusion that the phosphate deposits in Jordan, estimated at some tens of millions of tons, might be far beyond this magnitude, possibly reaching the volume of 400 million tons.

The completion at the end of 1960 of the modern port of Aqaba with its fully automatic loading facilities for 1 million tons of phosphate a year, together with the completion of the desert road linking the mines to the port, will greatly reduce transportation costs, thereby assuring a more profitable operation.

Lebanon

While quantitative information is lacking, the consensus points to a full recovery of industrial production in Lebanon after the disturbances of 1958. Even though some sectors, such as the woollen textile industry, are struggling with old structural difficulties, others, such as the food industries, have, on the whole, been performing better than in previous years.

The following figures given some indication of public expenditure in industrial and public utility projects during the period 1953 to 1958 (in thousands of Lebanese pounds):

| <u>1953</u> | <u>1954</u> | <u>1955</u> | <u>1956</u> | <u>1957</u> | <u>1958</u> |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| 3,194 | 5,605 | 14,858 | 25,542 | 36,643 | 51,053 |

Further details are given in table XL.

The information in table 14 points to a sustained trend of industrial growth since 1950.

Table 14. Lebanon: Indicators of Industrial Growth, 1950-1958

| Year | Number of employees | Outstanding investments ^{a/} (millions of Lebanese pounds) | Number of factories |
|----------------|---------------------|--|---------------------|
| 1950 | 16,717 | 96.801 | 2,093 |
| 1955 | 19,556 | 161.456 | 2,655 |
| 1956 | 20,657 | 164.457 | 2,670 |
| 1957 | 22,667 | 236.030 | 3,150 |
| 1958 | 21,220 | 249.828 | 3,190 |

Source: Ministry of National Economy.

^{a/} It would appear that amounts shown in this column refer to outstanding investments in establishments with capital of over 1 million Lebanese pounds.

Figures available for 1959 indicate an outstanding investment of £L261 million in factories having more than 1 million Lebanese pounds of invested capital and an investment of £L115 million in factories having an investment of less than 1 million Lebanese pounds, with an over-all investment of £L376 million.

Instrumental in fostering industrial activities, by supplying at reasonable rates medium-term and long-term industrial credits which would not otherwise have been available, has been a recent operation of the United States Loan Development Fund. A \$5 million loan was granted in 1959 to the Banque de Crédit Agricole Industriel et Foncier, a Lebanese bank established with the support of the Government to assist in long-term financing.

The Government of Lebanon in 1959 ratified a new agreement with the Iraq Petroleum Company (IPC) under which Lebanon obtained some £L51.5 million in settlement of retroactive royalties dating back to 1952, together with an increase in current transit payments. Most of this amount has reportedly been earmarked for public works development projects.

The Government is investigating various development projects and has employed a French firm for a comprehensive survey of the nation's development needs.

Turkey

In Turkey, industrial development was influenced to a great extent by foreign exchange supply and domestic demand. Heavy investments in industrial establishments in the past several years had greatly augmented the industrial production capacity of the country. There was also a sharp increase in demand for manufactured goods, partly due to increased purchasing power - resulting from the extension of credits by the banks and deficit financing by the Government - and partly due to restrictions of imports. On the other hand, the foreign exchange shortages caused a decline in imports of spare parts and industrial raw materials and intermediate products, and limited the expansion of industrial production. As a result, the industrial sector utilized only about one-half of its capacity in 1958, and the increase in the real value added of the industrial sector (including mining, manufacturing and public utilities) was 4.7 per cent in 1958, 8/ as compared to 7.3 per cent in 1957.

This situation, however, was greatly improved with the implementation of the Stabilization Programme, sponsored by the Organization for European Economic Co-operation, which began in August 1958. With the increased availability of foreign exchange, imports of machinery and spare parts, which had declined by 31 per cent in 1957 and by 13 per cent in 1958, increased by 39 per cent in the first three quarters of 1959, as compared with the corresponding period in the

8/ The sharp decline in production and exports of chrome also affected unfavourably the expansion of industrial output in 1958.

previous year; and imports of raw materials and intermediate products, which had declined by 20 per cent in 1958, rose by 15 per cent in the first three quarters of 1959. On the other hand, credit restrictions imposed under the same programme limited the expansion of purchasing power, while the relaxation of price controls led to a considerable rise in prices. The net result of these factors was, according to preliminary and partial data, an increase in the output of industrial establishments - especially those in the public sector - in 1959.

Table 15. Turkey: Output of Selected Major Industrial Products
(Thousands of tons, unless otherwise specified)

| Product | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | 1959 |
|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| <u>Minerals:</u> | | | | |
| Coal | 3,718 | 3,969 | 4,064 | ... |
| Lignite <u>a/</u> | 1,317 | 1,726 | 1,739 | ... |
| Copper | 25 | 24 | 22 | ... |
| Chrome ore (Cr_2O_3 content) | 400 | 468 | 266 | ... |
| Iron ore | 577 | 722 | 567 | ... |
| <u>Electricity</u> (millions of kilowatt-hours) . . | 1,819 | 2,060 | 2,300 | 2,510 |
| <u>Manufactured goods:</u> | | | | |
| Sugar | 301 | 348 | 380 | 450 |
| Tobacco | 26 | 29 | 31 | ... |
| Cotton fabrics (millions of metres) . . . | 364 | 451 | 480 | ... |
| Woollen fabrics (millions of metres) <u>a/</u> . . | 4.1 | 4.9 | 5.3 | ... |
| Sulphuric acid | 18 | 22 | 20 | ... |
| Glassware | 11 | 12 | 24 | ... |
| Cement | 975 | 1,261 | 1,516 | 1,650 |
| Pig iron | 216 | 218 | 231 | ... |
| Steel ingots | 193 | 176 | 160 | ... |

Source: United Nations, Statistical Yearbook, 1959 (Sales Number: 59.XVII.1); Union of Chambers of Commerce, Industry and Commodity Exchanges of Turkey, Economic Report, 1958 (Ankara, 1959) and Turkish Economic Review (Ankara), March 1960; Ministry of Finance, Budget Bill for Financial Year 1960 (Ankara, 1959) (in Turkish).

a/ Production of government enterprises.

During the first eight months, production of woollen yarn and fabrics and cotton fabrics by the private sector of the textile industry experienced a reduction of from 2 per cent to 10 per cent. Increased output in the later months of 1959 brought production to about the levels of 1958. The cement industry also recovered in the early part of 1959, but the pharmaceutical industry showed no improvement. The construction industry improved, mostly in the private sector, while public construction remained slightly below the 1958 level. Oil exploration under the provisions of the 1954 petroleum law showed signs of slackening activity owing to discouraging results in discovering worth-while deposits. One large company has discontinued further exploration, while others have reduced seismographic and geophysical work.

There were several major projects under way for the rapid industrialization of Turkey. Construction proceeded for the expansion of capacity of the Karabuk steel plant from 180,000 to 600,000 tons of steel per year at a cost of LT687 million by 1961. Another major project was a fertilizer plant at Kutahya, to produce 60,000 tons of ammonium sulphate and 50,000 tons of ammonium nitrate per year at a cost of LT450 million, which is scheduled to begin operations by the end of 1960. In the field of petroleum refining the annual capacity of the Batman Refinery was raised from 330,000 to 614,000 tons. Another 1 million-ton refinery had been planned, with the participation of Caltex, to be constructed near Istanbul at a cost of \$25.6 million, and a third refinery was planned by the international oil companies at Mersin, with a yearly capacity of 3.2 million tons. The implementation of projects under way was expected to raise the yearly production capacity of cement from 2 million tons in 1959 to 2.8 million tons by 1961, and to increase sugar refining capacity by 36,000 tons.

United Arab Republic (Egypt)

Industrial production in Egypt showed further gains in 1959. A major expansion of the country's industrial production is being considered in a five-year plan which is scheduled to begin in July 1960 and for which few details are as yet available.

According to an announcement by President Nasser on 23 December 1959, the total investment in industries within the framework of the Five-Year Development Plan would amount to £E304 million, of which £E225 million have already been contracted and £E79 million are now in the contracting stage. It is likely that a great part of this industrialization programme will be carried out with government funds. An indication of the leading role that the Government intends to play in the industrialization of the country was given by the nationalization on 11 February 1960 of the Misr Bank, a privately-owned institution controlling diversified industries ranging from chemicals to textiles and from transportation to mechanical industries. The shares of the Misr Bank were converted to 5 per cent government bonds redeemable in twelve years. It has been stated that the purpose of this operation was to avoid heavy long-term immobilization of the assets of the largest bank in Egypt, a situation which could lead in time to economic difficulties, to emergencies in the stock market and to the closing of other banks.

Another important development was the announcement on 22 December 1959 that the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development had made a loan of \$56.5 million to the Suez Canal Authority for the improvement of the Canal in order to accommodate ships with a draught of thirty-seven feet, corresponding to 46,000 dead weight tons, against the present maximum of thirty-five feet, corresponding to 36,000 dead weight tons. The total cost of this project, which is expected to allow Egypt to draw a larger income from tanker traffic, involves a total expenditure of \$107.9 million.

On 18 January 1960, an agreement was reached with the Soviet Union whereby the latter would finance all stages of the Aswan High Dam project. This second line of credit, adding £E90 million to a previously granted £E40 million, should defray the foreign exchange component of the whole project, leaving Egyptian resources to take care of at least an equal investment in local currency.

Meanwhile, a prerequisite for the carrying out of the Aswan Dam scheme has been satisfied: on 8 November 1959 the long-sought agreement between Egypt and the Sudan was concluded, specifying the division of the additional waters which will become available when the dam is completed, as well as other matters covering the future use of the Nile waters.

United Arab Republic (Syria)

Industrial production in Syria gained momentum in 1959. Sugar production expanded substantially when the new refinery near Damascus started production in August of that year. The refinery was built at a total cost of LS8 million, and it is estimated that this investment will reduce import needs by about LS10 million to LS15 million a year. Two new cement factories at Homs and Aleppo are nearing completion, and when they start operations in 1960/61, existing production capacity will be increased by 50 per cent.

Between October 1958 and September 1959 the Ministry of Industry licensed 216 projects representing an investment of private capital of about LS52.5 million including, among others, flour mills, vegetable oil refineries, textile mills and factories for the production of carpets, blankets, tin containers, batteries, metal-work, rubber shoes, prepared foods, medical preparations and plastic products.

An important achievement was the completion in 1959 of a petroleum refinery at Homs. The refinery, built by a Czechoslovak group at a total cost of LS54 million (of which LS48 million was in foreign exchange), has a present capacity of 750,000 tons a year, which could be raised, with an additional investment of LS5.4 million, to a total of 1 million tons. The refinery will obtain its crude oil from Iraq Petroleum Company and Trans-Arabian Oil pipelines at approximately 8 per cent less than the posted price. It is expected that, working at full capacity, the operations of the new refinery will generate import savings of some LS20 million a year.

Syria is at present engaged in the preparation of a Five-Year Development Plan, the detailed features of which are not yet made public. According to preliminary information on the Five-Year Industrialization Programme, Syria plans to invest LS560 million during the period 1960 to 1965, distributed as follows:

LS266 million on petroleum, LS2 million on extractive industries, LS217 million on manufacturing, LS14 million on research and training and LS60 million to be put aside as reserve. It is understood, however, that this programme is at present being revised downward to a magnitude close to one-half of its original size.

PETROLEUM

The petroleum industry of the Middle East continued to expand during 1958 and 1959, though the rate of increase in production of crude petroleum appeared to decline, partly due to the increased production and exports in other producing countries. Production of crude oil in the region rose to 230 million tons in 1959, registering an increase of 7.6 per cent as compared with a rise of 20.7 per cent in 1958, while the total world crude petroleum output rose 2.6 per cent in 1958 and 7.7 per cent in 1959. A part of the larger increase in the Middle East in 1958 reflected the setback in the growth of oil production and exports in 1956-1957, caused by the Suez crisis. However, the share of the region in world production rose from 21 per cent in 1955 to 23.6 per cent in 1958 and 1959. 9/

The expansion of the Middle East oil industry, which had been on the average 12 per cent per annum during the nineteen fifties, is likely to slow down in the next decade, due mainly to the following factors. The demand for petroleum products in Europe, the main customer of Middle East oil, will grow less sharply, despite the levelling off - or even a possible decline - of its coal production. Moreover, large reserves of petroleum of high quality have been discovered in Algeria and, more recently, in Libya. These reserves are located more favourably with regard to the European markets, and plans are under way for their large-scale exploitation - especially for the Algerian oil, 10/ which already enjoys a preferred position in France and might be given favoured treatment in the European Common Market. 11/ In addition, the export of Middle East oil is being unfavourably affected by the increasing petroleum exports of the Soviet Union to certain European markets and also by the import quota restriction of the United States. Furthermore, intensive exploration activities are being carried out, for the discovery of petroleum and natural gas, in countries other than the major oil producing ones, which, in several cases, such as France, Argentina, Japan, the UAR and Pakistan, have been successful and which are likely to reduce the oil imports of these countries, and, in certain cases, provide some surplus for export.

Despite all these factors, the Middle East is expected to be called upon to meet a part of the increasing world demand for petroleum from its large oil reservoirs and highly prolific oil wells which produce crude oil at very low cost. It has been estimated that the cost of producing crude oil and expanding production in the Middle East amounted to an average of sixteen cents per barrel in the period 1949 to 1958, as compared to national averages of

9/ American Petroleum Institute, Petroleum Facts and Figures (New York, 1959).

10/ It is planned to increase production of Algerian oil to between 30 million and 50 million tons by 1965.

11/ Petroleum Press Bureau, Petroleum Press Service (London), January 1960.

\$1.66 for the United States,^{12/} 57 cents for Venezuela and 87 cents in the Far East during the corresponding period.^{13/} Hence, the investment of capital required for development of crude petroleum production is rather low in the Middle East. The gross cumulative investment for the production of one barrel of crude petroleum per day amounted to \$350 in the Middle East, as compared with \$4,600 in the United States and Canada, \$1,700 in Venezuela and \$3,300 in Europe. Furthermore, a number of new international oil companies - from countries with relatively large requirements of petroleum imports - have become intensely active, in recent years, in the development of oil resources of the Middle East. The oil exports of such companies to their respective countries are likely to receive favourable treatment and thus contribute to the increased oil exports from the region.

Most of the increase in crude oil production in the Middle East during 1959 came from Iraq and Iran, followed by Saudi Arabia, the Neutral Zone and the United Arab Republic. Kuwait maintained its production at 70 million tons - producing 30 per cent of the Middle East crude oil, as compared to 23 per cent for Saudi Arabia, 19 per cent for Iran, 18 per cent for Iraq and 10 per cent for others (table XII). Expansion of oil producing and gathering, as well as of terminal facilities, continued. In Iran, the development of the Gach Saran field and the laying of pipelines to Kharg Island, in the Persian Gulf, which started in 1958, is expected to be completed in 1960. This project will increase the annual crude petroleum export capacity of Iran by 16.5 million tons, initially, and by 30 million tons in the second stage. In Iraq the pipeline throughput capacity from the Kirkuk oilfields to the eastern Mediterranean ports was raised from 28 million tons to 35 million tons per year, and the annual export capacity of the southern oilfields was expected to increase from 12 million to 22 million tons by 1962. In Kuwait and Saudi Arabia also the export capacity was raised, and considerable unutilized oil producing capacity existed in both countries.

Exploration and drilling activities by the oil companies - including the independent ones - continued in the inland areas of most of the countries of the region, during 1958 and 1959, and new oil and gas fields were discovered, or existing ones extended, in Abu Dhabi, Iran, Iraq, Israel, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Republic (Egyptian and Syrian Regions). Offshore exploration in the Persian Gulf was intensified, especially in the newly-acquired concessions of the new international petroleum companies - American, Italian and Japanese - and led to the discovery by the Japanese oil company of an important oilfield off the coast of the Neutral Zone.

In recent years exports have absorbed three-fourths of crude production, and the petroleum refineries the remaining one-fourth. Out of 162 million tons of crude petroleum exported outside the region in 1958, 67 per cent was destined to western Europe, 15 per cent to the Far East, and 13 per cent to North America (table XVIII). The refined oil products, on the other hand, which exceeded 50 million tons in 1958, were utilized for local consumption (14.3 million tons) and bunkering (11.4 million tons) and the balance was exported (table XVII).

^{12/} The higher average production cost in the United States is largely due to the drilling of a great number of dry holes, as well as to the low productivity of most of the oil wells.

^{13/} The Chase Manhattan Bank, Capital Investment by the World Petroleum Industry (New York, November 1959).

Though refining capacity and output continued to expand, their growth has been less rapid than the expansion of crude oil production, due largely to a shift in the construction of petroleum refineries from the producing centres to the main consuming centres. Apart from the expansion of the Kuwait refinery from 1.5 million tons to 9.5 million tons a year, which was completed in 1958, and construction of two refineries in Turkey with a yearly capacity of 4.2 million tons, no large-scale refinery construction project is under way in the Middle East. There is already large unused capacity at the Abadan refinery in Iran, which operates at about one-half of its rated 30-million-ton annual capacity. Smaller projects, however, have been undertaken or completed, mainly for local consumption, in the United Arab Republic (in both the Egyptian and Syrian Regions) and Iraq.

Domestic consumption of petroleum products in the Middle East continues to increase in line with rising economic activities, and in 1958 accounted for about 80 per cent of consumption of commercial sources of energy (table XX). Between 1950 and 1958, the inland consumption of petroleum products, excluding consumption in petroleum refineries, doubled (table XIX). The rate of increase has slowed down in the past few years as a result of the slackening of economic expansion in certain countries.

Another major development of the Middle East petroleum industry during 1958 to 1959 was the reduction of crude petroleum prices by about 10 per cent in February 1959 - after a period of price stability which followed price rises in early 1957 as a result of the Suez crisis and the shortage of petroleum in the eastern hemisphere. ^{14/} This reduction appeared to reflect the end of the shortage situation and resulted from the competition among the oil companies - especially from the effort of new producers - to secure outlets for their output. ^{15/} This factor affected unfavourably the income of petroleum companies as well as the revenues of oil producing countries from petroleum operations. The direct payments by the oil companies to the Governments of oil producing countries (in the form of royalties and taxes), which had risen from \$1,020 million in 1957 to \$1,240 million in 1958, remained at the same level in 1959, despite an increase of 7.8 per cent in crude oil production. Kuwait received 28 per cent of this total in 1959, as compared to 25 per cent for Saudi Arabia, 21 per cent for Iran and 20 per cent for Iraq (table XV).

Progress in the development of petroleum operations in the Middle East summarized above resulted mainly from large-scale investments by the oil companies. The total cumulative gross investment in the petroleum industry of the region rose from \$2,750 million to \$3,725 million between the end of 1955 and 1958; ^{16/} and the cumulative net investment increased from \$1,625 million to \$2,100 million, during the same period. The share of the United States petroleum companies in the

^{14/} The posted price of crude petroleum of 34° to 34.9° API gravity at Ras Tanura, Persian Gulf, declined from \$2.08 to \$1.89 per barrel; and the price for crude oil of 36° to 36.9° API gravity at Sidon, Mediterranean, decreased from \$2.49 to \$2.27 per barrel.

^{15/} Petroleum Press Service, March 1959.

^{16/} Gross investment in production facilities rose from \$950 million to \$1,500 million in the corresponding period.

gross investment in the region rose from 46.9 per cent to 48.3 per cent between 1955 and 1958. ^{17/} These investment figures do not include capital expenditures in tankers, and distribution and research facilities outside the region, which have been necessary to put the Middle East oil at the disposal of consumers. Again, these data do not refer to the "net worth" of the Middle East petroleum industry which has to take into account, among other things, the proven petroleum reserves.

^{17/} The Chase Manhattan Bank, Investment Patterns in the World Petroleum Industry (New York, 1956), and Capital Investments by the World Petroleum Industry (New York, 1959).

FOREIGN TRADE AND BALANCE OF PAYMENTS

Data pertaining to 1958 and part of 1959 point to a temporary trend of deterioration in the external payments position of several countries of the Middle East. The main exceptions are Lebanon and Iraq, where a sustained tendency towards increased gold and foreign exchange reserves is noticeable. Both countries show heavy structural deficits in the balance of goods and services, in the case of Lebanon offset by private capital movements, while in the case of Iraq development expenditures have not so far kept pace with a growing oil income. 18/

Oil income in Iran, though continuously increasing, has not been adequate to defray that country's rapidly increasing development expenditures, and international credits have been filling the gap. Jordan and Israel, with structural deficits in their goods and services accounts, continued to show large negative balances, offset by various loans and grants, though some improvement was registered in Israel in 1958 and 1959. Turkey has, to a large extent, relied on foreign grants and loans to balance her deteriorating external accounts.

As to the oil producing countries of the Arabian Peninsula - especially Kuwait and Saudi Arabia, for which balance of payments data are not available - increases in gold and foreign assets registered in 1958 and 1959 point to surpluses in the goods and services accounts, a trend particularly conspicuous in Kuwait.

In the United Arab Republic, Syria has been experiencing external payments difficulties as a consequence of two crop failures in a row. Egypt embarked upon large-scale development programmes and, having been in recent years a net importer of foodstuffs, is experiencing deficits in its goods and services account and is relying to a great extent on foreign credits, secured in substantial amounts in the past few years, to balance its accounts. Table 16, summarizing table XXVII in the appendix, shows the balances in the goods and services accounts of selected countries. Though information is not available for 1959, the balances of payments for that year are expected to follow the 1958 pattern.

18/ Information on Lebanon's balance of payments is not included in table 16 because it is not available on a base comparable with those of the other countries shown. The trend illustrated in Iraq was deviated from in 1956 and 1957 because of interruptions in the oil flow in connexion with the Suez events.

Table 16. Balance of Payments, Goods and Services,
1954, 1957 and 1958, Selected Countries
(Millions of dollars)

| Country and year | Goods and services | | |
|---------------------|--------------------|------------------|--------|
| | Merchandise | Oil transactions | Total |
| <u>Iran:</u> | | | |
| 1954. | - 40.3 | 37.5 | - 1.5 |
| 1957. | -256.0 | 228.4 | - 63.9 |
| 1958. | -387.9 | 316.2 | - 97.9 |
| <u>Iraq:</u> | | | |
| 1954. | -134.5 | 222.3 | 88.9 |
| 1957. | -272.6 | 174.2 | -107.0 |
| 1958. | -235.6 | 270.9 | 45.1 |
| <u>Israel:</u> | | | |
| 1954. | -204.8 | - | -236.1 |
| 1957. | -292.6 | - | -337.3 |
| 1958. | -282.3 | - | -333.4 |
| <u>Jordan:</u> | | | |
| 1954. | - 43.5 | - | - 36.1 |
| 1957. | - 68.3 | - | - 65.0 |
| 1958. | - 85.4 | - | - 69.6 |
| <u>Turkey:</u> | | | |
| 1954. | - 86.5 | - | -159.1 |
| 1957. | - 15.0 | - | - 34.1 |
| 1958. | - 36.4 | - | - 63.9 |
| <u>UAR (Egypt):</u> | | | |
| 1954. | - 34.3 | - | 6.3 |
| 1957. | -147.0 | - | - 95.1 |
| 1958. | -151.0 | - | - 61.3 |
| <u>UAR (Syria):</u> | | | |
| 1954. | - 35.1 | - | - 31.1 |
| 1957. | - 16.9 | - | 2.6 |
| 1958. | - 73.7 | - | - 34.3 |

Source: Table XXVII.

The methods of financing these and expected future deficits are shown in table 17, which summarizes tables XXVIII and XXIX. Table 17 also shows changes in gold and foreign exchange reserves during the period from 1 July 1945 to 30 June 1959.

Table 17. Grants, Credits and Changes in Gold and Foreign Exchange Reserves, 1 July 1945 to 30 June 1959, Selected Countries
(Millions of dollars)

| Country | Grants | Credits | Total grants and credits | Changes in gold and foreign exchange reserves |
|--|--------|---------|--------------------------|---|
| Iran | 266 | 314 | 580 | -14.0 |
| Iraq | 18 | 246 | 264 | 120.2 |
| Israel | 1,026 | 227 | 1,253 | 87.1 |
| Jordan | 299 | 13 | 312 | 19.4 |
| Lebanon. | 60 | 27 | 87 | 50.8 |
| Turkey | 585 | 282 | 867 | -18.0 |
| United Arab Republic (Egypt and Syria). | 83 | 872 | 955 | -1,090.0 |
| UAR (Egypt). | ... | 714 | 714 | -1,104.0 |
| UAR (Syria). | - | 150 | 150 | 14.0 |

Source: Tables XXVIII and XXIX.

The following paragraphs summarize, for the countries where adequate information is available, the main features of the controls on foreign trade established in 1959 with a view to balancing deficits in their goods and services accounts.

Iran

As foreign currency needs arising from the large-scale development programmes continued to mount against a background of increasing deficits in the merchandise and services account, import controls, which had been relaxed in 1957/58, were reintroduced in 1958/59. Such controls are based on ceilings for global imports. For the Iranian budget year 1959/60, the ceiling has been established at Rls 25 billion; this is approximately a 25 per cent increase over that of the previous year. In cases of necessity the Bank Melli Iran may allow further imports in excess of the prescribed limit.

Iraq

Following political developments in 1958, a tight system of controls was imposed on the foreign trade of Iraq. On the one hand, this was aimed at keeping in check the over-all deficit in the goods and services account that had developed for the first time in 1956/57, mainly as a consequence of the fall in oil income that resulted from the Suez crisis. On the other hand, it was intended to encourage local industries within the framework of the industrialization drive, which is one of the features of the economic policy of the new Government.

Some imports were made subject to licensing and for others quotas were established. Similarly, chiefly to prevent scarcity of basic foodstuffs on the local market, all exports were made subject to licensing. At present, a large group of commodities is subject to the import quota system. However, the High Supply Committee, under the chairmanship of the Prime Minister, has the authority to raise the established ceiling as additional imports appear to be necessary and justified.

Commodities restricted from export and re-export are foodstuffs and textiles, industrial consumer goods and luxury items. There is also a list of fifty prohibited import items, most of them industrial consumer goods.

This restrictive system has been applied rather liberally as, except for 1957, the surplus in the goods and services account, made possible by a large oil income which offsets the heavy deficit in the merchandise account, assures Iraq of a supply of foreign exchange more than adequate for imports of both consumer goods and capital goods for economic development.

On 23 June 1959, Iraq withdrew from the sterling area. Thus, the differentiation existing since 1941 between imports from the dollar area and those from the non-dollar area was abolished.

Israel

Foreign currency control measures have been simplified and eased during recent years. Import regulations have been liberalized with regard to 55 per cent of all imports. The remaining 45 per cent are government imports or imports of equipment. The Government is continuing its efforts to simplify procedures for foreign currency allocations and to transfer more and more transactions to the commercial banks without requiring them to obtain the authorization of the Ministry of Finance.

Turkey

The implementation of the stabilization programme of August 1958 has already somewhat improved the difficult situation pertaining to international transactions. The total value of exports in terms of dollars increased by 43.6 per cent, while that of imports increased by 40.5 per cent in 1959. Changes were introduced in the import quota system in order to stimulate local production and increase supply of goods, thereby reducing inflationary pressures.

An import programme covering the period from 1 January to 30 June 1960 comprises a liberalization list, an automatic allocation list, a list of goods which may be imported on credit and a list of global quotas for the free-currency and European Common Market areas. The new programme allows imports to the value of \$250 million and is made up as follows:

| | <u>Millions of dollars</u> |
|---|----------------------------|
| Liberalization list | 80 |
| Automatic allocation list | 40 |
| List of global quotas for the European Common Market and free-currency areas . . . | 100 |
| List of quotas for bilateral agreement countries | 30 |
| Total | 250 |

As it has been estimated that no more than \$160 million of European Common Market currency and free currency will be available, it is expected that some \$90 million of new credits will be necessary to finance this deficit.

United Arab Republic (Egypt)

In September 1959 the export account system established at the beginning of 1958 was abolished. Basically, the export account system provided that external payments would be credited to export pound accounts of non-residents and that the accounts so created and fed would be used by non-residents to make payments to Egyptian exporters. Another feature of this system was that balances held in export pound accounts by non-residents would be freely transferable among non-residents, while the rates between the export pound and foreign currencies would find their free equilibrium in the market. The system did not seem to work satisfactorily as few transactions took place under it, and the export pound began to depreciate.

The new system consists of a multiple-rate structure combined with quantitative restrictions on imports. Under the new system, variable premiums apply to proceeds in foreign currencies deriving from sales of cotton and textiles, other fixed rates applying to other transactions. Restrictive licensing and quotas are in effect and many transactions are channelled through bilateral agreements. It is worth noting that by the end of October 1959 the total debit amount in the bilateral clearing accounts of Egypt was close to £E34 million.

United Arab Republic (Syria)

Balance of payments difficulties and a progressive reduction in gold and foreign exchange reserves in 1958 prompted Syria in May, August and December of that year to prohibit a group of imports comprising certain basic foodstuffs and items of apparel. For another group of products, mostly textiles and industrial consumer goods, the issuing of import licences was suspended. Furthermore, a list of goods was drawn up, imports of which were allowed only from specific countries, such as members of the Arab League with compensation arrangements or

countries with which Syria had an export surplus in 1957. Early in 1959 the list of suspended imports was extended, while in August of that year area restrictions were abolished.

Imports have been made more difficult also through monetary and fiscal measures; since July 1959 a tax on import licences, equal to 2 per cent of the value of imports, has been in force. At the end of 1959 some improvement was registered in the balance of payments position of Syria and certain additional trade and payments restrictions were abolished or made more liberal.

During 1959 trade between Syria and Egypt gained momentum. The United Arab Republic was established on 22 February 1958. Law No. 131, of 31 August 1958, abolished all customs duties on the exchange between the two regions of locally produced commodities, with the exception of a few industrial commodities on which 50 per cent of normal duties was retained. These exceptions to an otherwise complete customs union were the result of certain considerations for placing such industries in Syria on an equal footing with their counterparts in Egypt.

In addition to being freed from customs duties, exports from each region were exempted from export licences. Other measures in the monetary, banking and administrative fields were also enacted in order to facilitate trade between the two regions.

Despite the fact that the customs union is less than eighteen months old, the increase in the volume of trade in 1959 has been considerable. The trend is indicated below:

Total Trade between the Egyptian and Syrian
Regions of the United Arab Republic
(Millions of Syrian pounds)

| | <u>1955</u> | <u>1956</u> | <u>1957</u> | <u>1958</u> | <u>1959</u> |
|------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Imports into the Syrian Region | | | | | |
| from the Egyptian Region | 6.8 | 12.9 | 14.3 | 25.5 | 41.8 |
| Exports from the Syrian Region | | | | | |
| to the Egyptian Region | 5.2 | 9.0 | 31.8 | 16.6 | 68.4 |

Source: Table XXXIV.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

During recent years economic development plans have been drawn up and agencies to implement them have been created, in countries of the Middle East, with a view to making the best use of available resources in order to raise living standards and to initiate a process of economic growth through government intervention in key sectors.

The following paragraphs summarize some of the economic developments in recent years in certain countries of the Middle East for which data are available.

Iran

The Plan Organization of Iran is carrying out its second seven-year plan running from October 1955 to October 1962 and involving a total expenditure of \$1,120 million. This plan does not include the private domestic and foreign investments or the development expenditures of other public agencies such as the National Iranian Oil Company, the Railroad Administration and local authorities. At present the Plan Organization is engaged in the preparation of a comprehensive five-year plan, which will be put into effect in 1962 and will comprise all economic activities.

Total gross investment has been increasing rapidly in Iran in recent years, rising from approximately \$240 million in 1955/56 to about \$450 million in 1957/58 and \$550 million in 1958/59. This relatively high level of investment was made possible by increased income from petroleum operations, borrowings from abroad and grants by the United States Government, as well as by private savings and extension of bank credits for industrial and agricultural development.

Table 18. Iran: Gross Domestic Investment
(Millions of dollars)

| Sector | 1957/58 | 1958/59 |
|--|---------|---------|
| Industry | 110 | 132 |
| Transport and communications | 62 | 55 |
| Others ^{a/} | 280 | 363 |
| Total ^{a/} | 452 | 550 |

Source: The Plan Organization of Iran.

^{a/} Average of minimum and maximum estimates.

Though investment increased in the economy, the Plan Organization ran into financial difficulty in implementing its projects according to schedule. On the one hand, because of rising prices the Plan Organization needed an additional \$380 million - or a total revised expenditure of \$1,500 million - to finance all the projects in its second seven-year plan; and on the other hand, its share of income from petroleum revenues, for the period 1955 to 1962, had declined from \$1,150 million to \$860 million because of changes in allocation of such revenues in favour of the ordinary government budget. As a result, a gap of about \$480 million had developed between the anticipated income and the revised planned expenditures of the Plan Organization. It was therefore decided, by abandoning certain projects and slowing down the implementation of a few others, to reduce the expenditures to \$1,160 million, and at the same time to resort to foreign borrowing to the extent of \$270 million until 1962. By October 1959, \$144 million of loans had been secured from the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and the United States Development Loan Fund. 19/ This sum includes a loan of \$75 million extended by the International Bank for general development. In addition the Bank granted three other loans aggregating \$119.2 million for various projects which were to be utilized later on. 20/

Iraq

The Development Board of Iraq, established in 1950, was abolished by Executive Authority Law No. 74 of 1959 and was replaced by an Economic Planning Board. This consists of representatives of the Ministries of Planning, Finance, Industry, Agrarian Reform, Agriculture, Communications, Works and Housing and Social Affairs and Interior, under the chairmanship of the Prime Minister. In addition, Economic Planning Law No. 181 of 1959 abolished the Development Programme enacted in 1954, as well as its amendments. To the first Development Programme, 1951-1955, an amount exceeding ID 155 million had been allocated, of which only about one-half was actually spent. To the second Development Programme, 1955-1959 (eventually expanded to 1955-1960), about ID 500 million had been allocated, of which only about one-third was actually spent during the years of operation of the Development Board. In general, this programme was from two to three years behind schedule. Under the new set-up, the Economic Planning Board is not responsible for the actual implementation of the projects included in the Development Programme. This has become the responsibility of the individual ministries, while it is the duty of the Economic Planning Board to draft and modify detailed plans to execute the economic policy adopted by the Council of Ministers and to supervise the execution of the Economic Plan by the various ministries.

In the past, the Development Board received 70 per cent of oil revenue; under the new arrangement, oil income will be shared equally between development projects

19/ Plan Organization, Programme Review (Teheran, 1960).

20/ These loans consist of \$72 million for road construction and rehabilitation, \$5.2 million to the Industrial and Mining Development Bank of Iran, and \$42 million for a multi-purpose project on the Dez River. The latter was extended early in 1960. (International Monetary Fund, International Financial News Survey (Washington, D.C.), 26 February 1960.)

and the ordinary budget. This is understood to be a temporary measure made necessary by public welfare services and social defence requirements.

A new interim general development programme became operative on 1 January 1960. It provides for an expenditure of ID 392 million and covers the four years between 1959/60 and 1962/63. The new programme incorporated those projects already started or approved under the Development Board organization, as long as they proved to be consistent with the economic policy of the new Government. It is also understood that in the near future a new comprehensive development programme will be put into operation on a longer-term basis. One of the features of the new programme is the large share, in relation to the previous development programmes, given to housing (19.5 per cent of the total), public health (6.3 per cent) and public culture (10 per cent). Transport and communications will absorb 25.7 per cent of the total expenditures, agriculture 12.2 per cent and industry 9.9 per cent. Table XXXVII summarizes by operating agency and year the various projects included under the new interim economic plan. It should be noted that the expenditure of ID 45 million under the Iraqi-Soviet Co-operation Agreement is not included in the interim plan and that the allocation of ID 10 million under the heading "Iraqi-Soviet economic agreement projects" seems to be expenditure in excess of the amount of the loan contracted with the Soviet Union. Some details on the projects included in the Iraqi-Soviet Agreement are given in the section on industrial production in the present survey.

Israel

It has been estimated that total gross investment in fixed assets in Israel in 1959 amounted to £1908 million, as compared to £1904 million in the previous year. As the price of investment goods rose only slightly in 1958, by 0.8 per cent, it seems that the level of investment in 1959 remained unchanged, representing 22.9 per cent of the gross national product in 1959 as compared with 25.9 per cent in 1958. Table 19 points to declining investment in agriculture and increasing investment in industry, largely as a consequence of expanded private investments.

Sources of public financing of investment are the Government Development Budget, the Jewish Agency budget and, to a less extent, the budgets of the National Foundation and local authorities. In turn, the sources of income for such financing are the United Jewish Appeal, reparations from the Federal Republic of Germany, and the United States Development Loan Fund, as well as special internal receipts earmarked for the development budgets, such as national insurance payments, income from the floating of new government securities and collections on account of outstanding loans. Most of these incomes are derived from abroad; their amount declined in 1959 and is likely to continue to decrease, in the coming years, as a result of utilization of all of the German reparations and maturation of loans contracted abroad. The net import surplus, which was equal to 67 per cent of the gross domestic fixed investments in 1958, declined to 60 per cent in 1959 - thus the share of domestic financing in investments increased.

Table 19. Israel: Gross Investment in Fixed Assets in 1958 and 1959
and the Share of Public Financing, a/ by Branch

(Value in millions of Israel pounds; share of public financing in percentage)

| Branch | 1958 | | 1959 provisional estimate | |
|---|-------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| | Value | Share of public financing | Value | Share of public financing |
| Agriculture and irrigation | 202 | 56 | 190 | 68 |
| Industry and mining. | 150 | 39 | 190 | 37 |
| Electricity. | 50 | 57 | 36 | 46 |
| Communications | 116 | 70 | 112 | 70 |
| Residential building | 278 | 44 | 270 | 42 |
| Services, including hotels | 108 | 41 | 110 | 40 |
| Total | 904 | 50 | 908 | 50 |

Source: Government of Israel.

a/ The public financing of investment comprises direct investments by the Government, the Jewish Agency, national institutions and local authorities, and loans and capital transfers by these public bodies to private enterprises.

However, the relatively high level of investments has been responsible for a considerable rise in gross domestic product. In 1959 the gross national product of Israel at constant prices, rose by 11.4 per cent. Table 20 shows the availability and utilization of resources in that country.

Table 20. Israel: Availability and Utilization of Resources
(Value in millions of Israel pounds; percentage)

| Item | 1958 | | 1959 provisional estimate | | 1960 projection | |
|---|-------|------------|---------------------------------|------------|--------------------|------------|
| | Value | Percentage | Value | Percentage | Value | Percentage |
| <u>Available resources:</u> | | | | | | |
| Gross national product | 3,491 | 77.2 | 3,965 | 78.7 | 4,400 | 79.1 |
| Imports of goods and services | 1,030 | 22.8 | 1,076 | 21.3 | 1,160 | 20.9 |
| Total, available resources | 4,521 | 100.0 | 5,041 | 100.0 | 5,560 | 100.0 |
| <u>Use of resources:</u> | | | | | | |
| Private consumption . . | 2,505 | 55.4 | 2,810 | 55.8 | 3,063 | 55.1 |
| Public consumption . . | 686 | 15.2 | 792 | 15.7 | 895 | 16.1 |
| Gross fixed investments | 904 | 20.0 | 908 | 18.0 | 950 | } 17.8 |
| Increase in inventories | ... | ... | ... | ... | 40 | |
| Exports | 426 | 9.4 | 531 | 10.5 | 612 | 11.0 |
| Total, use of resources | 4,521 | 100.0 | 5,041 | 100.0 | 5,560 | 100.0 |

Source: Government of Israel.

Jordan

Development activities in Jordan are carried out by a development board, presided over by the Prime Minister, which is responsible to the Council of Ministers for "designing and planning the economic development policy of Jordan", and also for the supervision of the activities of foreign experts. The development board has actually been involved in many operational activities such as the planning and administration of agricultural, industrial and municipal and village loans; the execution of the Water Department programme, and the technical planning and administration of the East Ghor Canal Project (now placed under a special East Ghor Canal Authority).

Jordan has not so far had an over-all economic development plan. However, according to a recent agreement, the Ford Foundation has undertaken to supply to the Government of Jordan expert advice with a view to drawing up a comprehensive development plan designed to narrow the gap, to a manageable size, between foreign

exchange income and expenditure, as well as that between total public expenditure and revenue. An increase in gross national income would also be expected under the plan.

Total public expenditure for economic development was approximately JD 4 million in the fiscal year 1957/58 and about JD 4.5 million in 1958/59, rising to JD 6 million in the current year. In addition, about JD 1 million is spent annually by various government departments on projects of a developmental nature. Among major projects are the development of Aqaba Port - which was carried on from 1952/53 to its completion in December 1959 - at a cost of JD 1.85 million, and the building of the Desert Road which will extend the main road network of Jordan to Aqaba, requiring an investment of about JD 1.1 million. Mention should also be made, in this connexion, of the East Ghor Irrigation Project - involving the reclamation of 25,000 acres - which is being financed by the United States International Co-operation Administration, and the first section of which is to be completed in 1960/61. Except for minor budget appropriations, practically all of this investment is being financed with funds made available by the United States and the United Kingdom.

Lebanon

There is no formal development organization in Lebanon and most of the investment is at present carried out by private entrepreneurs. The following table shows private estimates of the gross national product and the gross investment in the past three years (in millions of dollars, at current prices):^{21/}

| | <u>1957</u> | <u>1958</u> | <u>1959</u> |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Gross national product (at market prices) | 630 | 537 | 657 |
| Total gross investment | 98 | 62 | 107 |
| Private investment, including government enterprises | 63 | 46 | 69 |
| General government investment, all levels, excluding defence | 35 | 16 | 38 |

Development expenditure is disbursed through the ordinary budget and related budgets; aggregate expenditure under the latter increased sharply in recent years. The major development project has been the Litani River scheme at an estimated cost of \$60 million. The foreign exchange component of this project - amounting to \$27 million - was financed by a loan from the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development.

^{21/} The information used here has been obtained from a private source as the regular data prepared by the Economic Research Institute of the American University of Beirut is available only up to 1958 on net national product and up to 1957 on capital formation.

Between 1956 and December 1959 only \$6.5 million had been disbursed out of this credit. In 1959 an organization of international consultants - IRFED - was retained to collect and analyse basic economic and social information, with a view to preparing the broad lines of an over-all economic development programme.

Turkey

While no development plan or special development agency exists in Turkey, the pace of development has continued rapidly in recent years. There is no official yearly estimate published on the use of available resources in recent years, but a private source has given the approximations of investment shown in table 21, which are believed to be underestimated. 22/

Table 21. Turkey: Availability and Utilization of Resources
(Thousands of Turkish liras, at current prices)

| Item | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 |
|---|--------|--------|--------|
| <u>Available resources:</u> | | | |
| Gross national product | 24,979 | 31,479 | 36,855 |
| Income from rest of the world | 367 | 250 | 250 |
| Total, available resources | 25,346 | 31,729 | 37,100 |
| <u>Use of resources:</u> | | | |
| Private consumption | 19,188 | 24,629 | 28,750 |
| Public current expenditures | 2,758 | 3,400 | 4,000 |
| Gross domestic investment | 3,400 | 3,700 | 4,350 |
| Total, use of resources | 25,346 | 31,729 | 37,100 |

Source: Union of Chambers of Commerce, Industry and Commodity Exchanges of Turkey, Economic Report, 1958 (Ankara, 1959).

Public development expenditures, which are carried out by appropriate government agencies, represent a considerable part - nearly 40 per cent - of these investments and have amounted in recent years to one-third of the total public expenditures. A substantial part of the development expenditures, in the period

22/ The underestimation is due in part to the fact that the value of imports of capital goods included in the gross domestic investment has been converted at the official exchange rate of LT 2.8 to the dollar, which greatly underestimates the real value of the dollar.

preceding August 1958, was financed through credit expansion. This, in turn, had resulted in inflationary pressures, which had been aggravated by a programme of government subsidies to various products. However, this pressure, when suppressed through price controls and other measures, resulted in excess purchasing power in the hands of the public and led to the development of a black market and an unfavourable balance of payments. In August 1958, a price stabilization programme was put into effect, with the assistance of the Organization for European Economic Co-operation, the International Monetary Fund, the European Payments Union and the United States, under which the Turkish Government received loans and grants amounting to \$359 million and, in turn, undertook to implement measures for the improvement of economic conditions, through restriction of credits, balancing of the government budget, relaxation of price controls, devaluation of the currency, encouragement of exports and investment in short-term production fields. As a result of this programme, economic conditions were greatly improved in 1959. Table 22 gives the distribution of gross investment in Turkey in the period 1950 to 1958:

Table 22. Turkey: Distribution of Gross Public and Private Investment (Millions of Turkish liras)

| Item | Public sector | Private sector | Total |
|----------------------------------|---------------|----------------|----------|
| Agriculture | 1,465.5 | 4,153.4 | 5,618.9 |
| Mining | 270.9 | 21.7 | 292.6 |
| Manufacturing | 2,215.4 | 3,415.4 | 5,630.8 |
| Construction | 33.4 | 4,744.2 | 4,827.6 |
| Electricity, gas and water . . | 1,652.9 | 75.3 | 1,728.2 |
| Transport and communications . . | 4,322.2 | 1,220.4 | 5,542.6 |
| Commerce | 86.5 | 389.7 | 476.2 |
| Services | 1,581.7 | 77.9 | 1,659.6 |
| Miscellaneous | 3.2 | 204.0 | 207.2 |
| Total | 11,681.7 | 14,302.0 | 25,983.7 |

Source: Ministry of Finance, Budget Bill for the Financial Year 1960 (Ankara, 1959) (in Turkish).

United Arab Republic (Egypt)

Lack of adequate data concerning development activity in Egypt in the past few years makes any accurate assessment of the results impossible. Information on both private and public investments is fragmentary and the national income figures do not go beyond 1956. According to estimates of the Egyptian authorities, total investment in the past five years averaged £E 130 million per annum. Domestic sources provided approximately 80 per cent of this amount; the balance was obtained

from foreign sources in the form of assistance or credit. This rate of annual investment, among other factors, contributed to a rise in real national income of from 3 to 4 per cent per annum.

The private sector was responsible for the major portion of investment in the past, but the proportionate share of the public sector has been steadily rising. An exception to this occurred in the fiscal year 1957/58, when the Government deliberately curtailed its programme in order to restore fiscal balance. It should be emphasized, however, that this was a temporary measure, as public investment since 1958/59 has again shown an upward trend.

The development projects budget, which constitutes a major portion of public development expenditures, is shown in table 23.

Table 23. UAR (Egypt): Development Projects Budget^{a/}
(Millions of Egyptian pounds)

| Item | Actual 1955/56 | Estimates | | | |
|---|-------------------|-----------|---------|---------|---------|
| | | 1956/57 | 1957/58 | 1958/59 | 1959/60 |
| Public works (mainly irrigation and drainage) | 13.3 | 16.7 | 8.8 | 12.0 | 14.3 |
| Petroleum administration and mineral projects . . . | 3.5 | 2.7 | 5.6 | 4.2 | 1.5 |
| Communications | 10.1 | 12.5 | 9.0 | 10.0 | 11.2 |
| Aswan Dam project | 0.5 | 2.9 | 2.8 | 2.6 | 13.2 |
| Five-year Industrialization Programme | - | - | - | 12.0 | 45.0 |
| Other projects | 12.0 | 10.9 | 1.9 | 5.2 | 12.9 |
| Total | 39.4 | 45.7 | 28.1 | 46.0 | 98.1 |

Source: National Bank of Egypt, Economic Bulletin (Cairo).

^{a/} Fiscal years ending 30 June.

According to this budget, £E 46 million are allocated for 1958/59 and £E 98 million for 1959/60. The higher allocations for the years 1958 to 1960 inclusive are due to the inclusion of projects in the Five-year Industrialization Programme and the High Aswan Dam. Actual expenditures are, however, expected to fall short of these estimates. Preliminary figures show that actual expenditures in 1958/59 did not exceed £E 39 million, while the anticipated expenditures in 1959/60 are likely to be considerably less than the budget estimates.

Loans recently secured by the Egyptian Government, to which reference is made in the section on industrial production in the present survey and also in table XXIX, should enable Egypt to carry out its development programmes without undue strain on internal resources. Altogether, loans granted to Egypt during 1958 and 1959, including loans from the Soviet Union for industrial programmes and for the Aswan High Dam, first and second stages, from the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development for the Suez Canal Authority, and others from the Federal Republic of Germany and Eastern Germany, Japan, Czechoslovakia and other sources, amount to £E 338 million. ^{23/} Only a minor part of this total of foreign credits has been spent so far. During the period 1954 to 1959, Egypt floated internally £E 90 million of domestic bonds to finance economic development.

The five-year industrialization programme started in 1957 has been running ahead of schedule and the projects are expected to be completed by 1960 with a total expenditure of some £E 300 million. A new five-year development programme, covering the period 1960 to 1965, is now in preparation. The total gross investment envisaged should amount to £E 975 million. Of this total, £E 375 million will be devoted to industry, £E 255 million to agriculture and the balance of £E 345 million to other sectors. The annual rate of investment will be approximately £E 200 million a year, whereas, as mentioned above, during the past five years total gross investment, public as well as private, seems to have been of the order of magnitude of £E 130 million.

United Arab Republic (Syria)

Development expenditure on a large scale was first planned in Syria under the seven-year LS 686.5 million development budget of 1955. It is estimated that approximately LS 260 million was spent between August 1955 and June 1959 under this programme.

In 1958 the unfinished part of the programme was absorbed into a much larger ten-year development plan which envisaged the expenditure of LS 2.1 billion to be financed as follows: LS 535.5 million of loans from abroad, LS 1,320 million of revenue from completed projects, and LS 186 million from the general budget and domestic borrowing.

According to recent developments, the 1958 ten-year programme will be replaced by a five-year plan, details of which are not yet made public. There are, however, indications that Syria has developed a tentative five-year industrialization plan with an investment target of LS 560 million, and a five-year transport and communications plan with a target of LS 613 million. The latter plan allocates LS 169 million to roads and bridges, LS 357 million to railroads, and LS 87 million to the telephone, telegraph and postal systems.

^{23/} Excluded from this amount are payment facilities extended by the United States under Public Law 480 (see the section on agriculture in the present study).

In recent years Syria has shown vigorous economic growth, as indicated in table 24.

Table 24. UAR (Syria): National Income, 1950-1958
(Millions of Syrian pounds)

| Year | National income, at current prices | Index (1950 = 100) | National income, at 1950 prices | Index (1950 = 100) |
|----------------|--|-----------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1950 | 1,187 | 100 | 1,187 | 100 |
| 1951 | 1,431 | 121 | 1,235 | 104 |
| 1952 | 1,641 | 138 | 1,325 | 112 |
| 1953 | 1,444 | 122 | 1,271 | 107 |
| 1954 | 1,690 | 142 | 1,617 | 136 |
| 1955 | 1,568 | 132 | 1,516 | 128 |
| 1956 | 1,995 | 168 | 1,672 | 141 |
| 1957 | 2,182 | 184 | 1,761 | 148 |
| 1958 | 1,785 | 150 | 1,540 | 130 |

Source: Economic Development Organization, Ten-Year Development Programme, 1958-1967 (Damascus, 1959).

As the over-all position of the public sector has shown some strain in recent years - a deficit of approximately LS 150 million having accumulated during 1956-1958 - it is expected that a considerable proportion of the ten-year plan will be financed from external resources.

STATISTICAL APPENDIX

Table I. Acreage of Principal Crops, by Country
(Thousands of hectares)

| Crop and country | Annual average 1948-1952 | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | 1959 ^{a/} |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Wheat | 9,767 | 12,806 | 13,515 | 14,445 | 13,881 | 14,191 | ... |
| Cyprus | 75 ^{b/} | 74 | 81 | 79 | 79 | 80 | ... |
| Iran | 2,080 ^{b/} | 2,300 | 2,300 ^{c/} | 2,900 | 2,500 ^{c/} | 2,500 ^{c/} | ... |
| Iraq | 936 ^{b/} | 1,390 | 1,425 | 1,314 | 1,456 | 1,532 | ... |
| Israel | 34 ^{b/} | 31 | 47 | 57 | 57 | 59 | 62 |
| Jordan | 182 | 273 | 270 | 325 | 280 | 300 | ... |
| Lebanon ^{d/} | 70 | 70 | 70 | 70 | 70 | 60 | 66 |
| Turkey ^{d/} | 4,770 | 6,541 | 7,186 | 7,458 | 7,275 | 7,569 | 7,666 |
| UAR (Egypt) | 605 | 754 | 640 | 660 | 636 | 599 | 620 |
| UAR (Syria) . . . ^{e/} | 994 | 1,347 | 1,463 | 1,537 | 1,495 | 1,460 | 1,422 |
| Other countries ^{e/} | 21 | 26 | 33 | 45 | 33 | 32 | ... |
| Barley | 4,301 | 5,293 | 5,575 | 5,739 | 5,885 | 5,844 | ... |
| Cyprus | 53 | 56 | 57 ^{c/} | 54 | 56 ^{c/} | 60 | ... |
| Iran | 757 | 800 | 800 ^{c/} | 1,000 | 900 ^{c/} | 900 ^{c/} | ... |
| Iraq | 934 ^{b/} | 1,122 | 1,205 | 1,171 | 1,240 | 1,157 | 1,165 |
| Israel | 52 ^{b/} | 78 | 62 | 58 | 52 | 58 | 57 |
| Jordan | 62 | 104 | 101 | 109 | 95 | 103 | ... |
| Lebanon | 20 | 20 | 20 | 19 | 21 | 18 | 20 |
| Turkey | 1,972 | 2,500 | 2,640 | 2,612 | 2,630 | 2,700 | 2,750 |
| UAR (Egypt) | 64 | 51 | 57 | 55 | 56 | 57 | 59 |
| UAR (Syria) . . . ^{e/} | 369 | 543 | 614 | 636 | 813 | 769 | 727 |
| Other countries ^{e/} | 18 | 19 | 19 | 25 | 22 | 22 | ... |
| Maize | 1,323 | 1,566 ^{c/} | 1,519 ^{c/} | 1,532 | 1,494 ^{c/} | 1,547 ^{c/} | ... |
| Iran | 6 | 6 ^{c/} | 6 ^{c/} | 8 | 8 ^{c/} | 8 ^{c/} | ... |
| Iraq | 20 ^{b/} | 5 | 8 | 7 | 6 | 6 | ... |
| Israel | 8 ^{b/} | 11 | 8 | 7 | 8 | 6 | 3 |
| Lebanon | 7 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 10 | 8 | 10 |
| Turkey | 598 | 720 | 706 | 721 | 709 | 690 | 700 |
| UAR (Egypt) | 660 | 800 | 770 | 771 | 743 | 821 | 779 |
| UAR (Syria) | 24 | 17 | 13 | 10 | 10 | 8 | 8 |
| Rye | 493 | 613 | 641 | 642 | 655 | 665 | 657 |
| Turkey | 493 | 613 | 641 | 642 | 655 | 665 | 657 |
| Oats | 323 | 359 | 380 | 382 | 395 | 399 | 420 |
| Turkey | 307 | 348 | 369 | 372 | 384 | 389 | 410 |
| Other countries | 16 | 11 | 11 | 10 | 11 | 10 | 10 |

Table I.(continued)

| Crop and country | Annual average 1948-1952 | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | 1959 ^{a/} |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| Millet | 201 | 224 | 181 | 204 | 243 | 150 | ... |
| Turkey | 76 | 79 | 79 | 77 | 70 | 60 | ... |
| UAR (Syria) . . . | 93 | 102 | 70 | 87 | 70 | 57 | 44 |
| Other countries | 32 | 43 | 32 | 40 | 33 | 33 | ... |
| Sorghum | 280 | 331 | 265 | 293 | 284 | 264 | ... |
| UAR (Egypt) . . . | 191 | 192 | 184 | 201 | 189 _{f/} | 178 _{f/} | ... |
| Other countries | 89 | 137 | 81 | 92 | 95 _{f/} | 86 _{f/} | ... |
| Rice (paddy) . . . | 687 | 681 | 585 | 688 | 723 | 593 | 700 |
| Iran | 220 | 250 | 243 | 280 | 250 | 223 | 259 |
| Iraq | 174 | 120 | 54 | 70 | 91 | 89 | 85 _{c/} |
| Turkey | 31 | 46 | 29 | 42 | 70 | 59 | 45 |
| UAR (Egypt) . . . | 256 | 256 | 252 | 290 | 307 | 218 | 306 |
| UAR (Syria) . . . | 4 | 6 | 4 | 2 | 1 | - | 1 |
| Other countries | 2 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Pulses ^{g/} | 747 | 773 | 798 | 805 | 841 | 873 | ... |
| Cyprus | 10 | 13 | 12 | 12 | 12 | 12 | ... |
| Iran | 84 _{c/} | 85 _{c/} | 85 _{c/} | 85 _{c/} | 85 _{c/} | 85 _{c/} | ... |
| Iraq | 42 | 46 | 41 | 43 | 41 | 42 | ... |
| Israel | 6 | 6 | 7 | 7 | 6 | 6 | ... |
| Jordan | 25 | 34 | 30 | 33 | 36 | 34 | ... |
| Lebanon | 9 | 9 | 9 | 8 | 9 | 8 | 8 |
| Turkey | 268 | 288 | 304 | 311 | 327 | 333 | 332 |
| UAR (Egypt) . . . | 195 | 171 | 190 | 182 | 188 | 184 | ... |
| UAR (Syria) . . . | 108 | 121 | 120 | 124 | 137 | 169 | 126 |
| Cotton lint | 1,512 | 1,700 | 1,939 | 1,928 | 1,980 | 2,028 | 1,913 |
| Aden | 1 | 8 | 13 | 14 | 17 _{c/} | 12 | 12 _{c/} |
| Iran | 133 _{c/} | 200 _{c/} | 230 _{c/} | 243 _{c/} | 243 _{c/} | 260 _{c/} | 270 _{c/} |
| Iraq | 29 _{c/} | 56 | 57 | 58 | 65 | 56 _{c/} | 40 _{c/} |
| Turkey | 474 | 582 | 625 | 637 | 625 | 631 | 624 |
| UAR (Egypt) . . . | 761 | 663 | 763 | 694 | 764 | 800 | 740 |
| UAR (Syria) . . . | 107 | 187 | 243 | 272 | 258 | 261 | 227 |
| Other countries | 7 | 4 | 8 | 10 | 8 | 8 | ... |
| Sugar-beets | 85 | 114 | 147 | 167 | 195 | 195 | ... |
| Iran | 34 _{c/} | 38 _{c/} | 46 _{c/} | 43 _{c/} | 46 _{c/} | 46 _{c/} | ... |
| Israel | ... | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 | ... |
| Turkey | 50 _{h/} | 70 | 97 | 120 | 144 | 144 | 167 |
| UAR (Syria) . . . | 1 _{h/} | 5 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | ... |
| Sugar-cane | 37 | 48 | 47 | 46 | 48 | 41 | ... |
| UAR (Egypt) . . . | 37 | 48 | 47 | 46 | 48 | 41 | ... |

Table I. (continued)

| Crop and country | Annual average 1948-1952 | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | 1959 ^{a/} |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| Tobacco | 158 | 203 | 217 | 221 | 221 | 209 | 224 |
| Iran | 16 ^{c/} | 17 ^{c/} | 19 ^{c/} | 21 ^{c/} | 22 ^{c/} | 22 ^{c/} | 18 ^{c/} |
| Iraq | 4 ^{c/} | 10 ^{c/} | 7 ^{c/} | 7 | 8 | 9 ^{c/} | 9 ^{c/} |
| Israel | 4 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 3 ^{c/} |
| Lebanon | 2 ^{c/} | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| Turkey | 122 | 156 | 173 | 175 | 170 | 157 | 177 ^{c/} |
| UAR (Syria) . . . | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 ^{c/} |
| Other countries | 3 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 7 | 7 | 7 ^{c/} |
| Oil-seeds ^{i/} . . . | 1,851 | 2,112 | 2,360 | 2,375 | 2,393 | 2,432 | ... |
| Aden | 4 | 11 | 15 | 16 | 19 | 14 | 9 |
| Cyprus | 7 | 6 | 7 ^{c/} | 5 ^{c/} | 4 | 3 | ... |
| Iran | 147 | 225 ^{c/} | 255 ^{c/} | 268 ^{c/} | 268 ^{c/} | 285 ^{c/} | 295 ^{c/} |
| Iraq | 58 | 91 | 84 | 86 | 99 | 88 ^{c/} | 72 ^{c/} |
| Israel | 4 | 8 | 11 | 14 | 16 | 15 | ... |
| Jordan | 5 | 14 | 11 | 15 | 10 | 8 | ... |
| Lebanon | 6 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 2 | 2 |
| Turkey | 707 | 845 | 900 | 931 | 903 | 905 | 904 |
| UAR (Egypt) . . . | 792 | 698 | 802 | 737 | 802 | 839 | 779 |
| UAR (Syria) . . . | 121 | 210 | 270 | 298 | 268 | 273 | 248 ^{c/} |

Source: Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations,
Monthly Bulletin of Agricultural Economics and Statistics (Rome) .
 Years stated refer to period in which crops are harvested.

- ^{a/} Preliminary figures.
- ^{b/} Average of four years.
- ^{c/} Estimated.
- ^{d/} Crop includes spelt.
- ^{e/} Including Arabian Peninsula countries.
- ^{f/} Including data on millet for Aden Protectorate that are not available separately.
- ^{g/} Dry beans, dry peas, broad beans, chick-peas and lentils.
- ^{h/} Average of three years.
- ^{i/} Soya beans, ground-nuts, cotton-seed, linseed, sesame seed, sunflower seed and rape-seed.

Table II. Production of Principal Crops, by Country
(Thousands of tons)

| Crop and country | Annual average 1948-1952 | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | 1959 ^{a/} |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Wheat | 9,223 | 11,400 | 11,948 | 13,082 | 15,640 | 14,390 | 14,050 |
| Cyprus | 48 | 71 | 62 | 82 | 80 | 81 | ... |
| Iran | 1,860 | 2,100 | 2,313 | 2,700 | 2,800 | 2,700 | 3,103 |
| Iraq | 448 ^{b/} | 1,160 | 453 | 776 | 1,118 | 754 | 671 |
| Israel | 24 ^{b/} | 34 | 36 | 74 | 83 | 62 | 74 |
| Jordan | 127 | 233 | 79 | 242 | 220 | 66 | 82 |
| Lebanon ^{c/} | 51 | 60 | 60 | 60 | 65 | 48 | 58 |
| Turkey | 4,771 | 5,010 | 7,016 | 6,510 | 8,419 | 8,671 | 7,987 |
| UAR (Egypt) | 1,113 | 1,729 | 1,451 | 1,547 | 1,467 | 1,412 | 1,443 |
| UAR (Syria) . . . ^{d/} | 762 | 965 | 438 | 1,051 | 1,354 | 562 | 632 |
| Other countries ^{e/} | 19 | 38 | 40 | 40 | 34 | 34 | ... |
| Barley | 4,388 | 5,527 | 5,058 | 5,766 | 7,061 | 6,047 | ... |
| Cyprus | 47 | 70 | 53 | 65 | 70 | 73 | 70 |
| Iran | 767 | 820 | 880 | 1,000 | 980 | 950 | 1,000 |
| Iraq | 722 ^{b/} | 1,239 | 757 | 1,016 | 1,305 | 953 | 764 |
| Israel | 44 ^{b/} | 90 | 42 | 85 | 74 | 53 | 65 |
| Jordan | 52 | 104 | 25 | 96 | 81 | 17 | ... |
| Lebanon | 25 | 27 | 26 | 21 | 24 | 18 | 24 |
| Turkey | 2,270 | 2,400 | 2,985 | 2,900 | 3,650 | 3,600 | 3,300 |
| UAR (Egypt) | 123 | 116 | 127 | 129 | 131 | 135 | 142 |
| UAR (Syria) | 321 | 635 | 137 | 426 | 721 | 228 | 218 |
| Other countries | 17 | 26 | 26 | 28 | 25 ^{e/} | 20 ^{e/} | ... |
| Maize | 2,196 | 2,553 | 2,641 | 2,582 | 2,337 | 2,729 | ... |
| Iran | 6 | 7 ^{e/} | 7 ^{e/} | 14 | 14 ^{e/} | 14 ^{e/} | ... |
| Iraq | 14 | 4 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 5 | ... |
| Israel | 8 | 23 | 26 | 23 | 38 | 28 | 15 |
| Lebanon | 12 | 13 | 14 | 14 | 17 | 14 | 17 |
| Turkey | 747 | 914 | 855 | 858 | 750 | 900 | 1,000 |
| UAR (Egypt) | 1,378 | 1,568 | 1,714 | 1,652 | 1,498 | 1,758 | 1,560 |
| UAR (Syria) | 31 | 24 | 18 | 15 | 15 | 10 | 21 |
| Rye | 500 | 440 | 650 | 566 | 700 | 800 | 665 |
| Turkey | 500 | 440 | 650 | 566 | 700 | 800 | 665 |
| Oats | 339 | 336 | 365 | 391 | 487 | 492 | 488 |
| Turkey | 326 | 325 | 356 | 382 | 475 | 480 | 479 |
| Other countries | 13 | 11 | 9 | 9 | 12 | 12 | 9 |
| Millet | 180 | 252 | 199 | 186 | 157 | 149 | ... |
| Turkey | 78 | 88 | 92 | 74 | 70 | 65 | ... |
| UAR (Syria) | 65 | 114 | 71 | 75 | 52 | 50 | 36 |
| Other countries | 37 | 50 | 36 | 37 | 35 | 34 ^{e/} | ... |

Table II. (continued)

| Crop and country | Annual average 1948-1952 | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | 1959 ^{a/} |
|------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Sorghum | 616 | 709 | 648 | 730 | 735 | 710 | ... |
| UAR (Egypt) . . | 518 | 549 | 537 | 594 | 566 _{f/} | 543 _{f/} | ... |
| Other countries | 98 | 160 | 111 | 136 | 169 _{f/} | 167 _{f/} | ... |
| Rice (paddy) . . . | 1,723 | 2,031 | 1,832 | 2,288 | 2,541 | 1,857 | ... |
| Iran | 424 | 526 | 322 | 440 | 480 | 435 | 526 |
| Iraq | 203 | 180 | 83 | 111 | 154 | 137 | ... |
| Turkey | 109 | 183 | 102 | 153 | 192 | 198 | 158 |
| UAR (Egypt) . . | 971 | 1,118 | 1,309 | 1,573 | 1,709 | 1,082 | 1,535 |
| UAR (Syria) . . | 13 | 19 | 11 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| Other countries | 3 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 4 | ... |
| Pulses | 772 | 820 | 805 | 811 | 873 | 789 | ... |
| Cyprus | 5 | 9 _{e/} | 7 _{e/} | 7 _{e/} | 8 _{e/} | 6 _{e/} | ... |
| Iran | 57 | 55 _{e/} | 55 _{e/} | 55 _{e/} | 55 _{e/} | 55 _{e/} | ... |
| Iraq | 27 | 32 | 29 | 35 | 27 | 24 | ... |
| Israel | 1 | 4 | 2 | 5 | 3 | 4 | 3 |
| Jordan | 13 | 26 | 9 | 30 | 20 | 8 | ... |
| Lebanon | 13 | 15 | 16 | 13 | 15 | 13 | 15 |
| Turkey | 263 | 282 | 306 | 307 | 331 | 369 | 392 |
| UAR (Egypt) . . | 314 | 303 | 320 | 262 | 314 | 259 | ... |
| UAR (Syria) . . | 79 | 94 | 61 | 97 | 100 | 51 | 47 |
| Cotton lint . . . | 578 | 641 | 656 | 662 | 735 _{e/} | 816 | 840 _{e/} |
| Aden _{e/} | 1 | 4 | 6 | 6 | 5 _{e/} | 4 | 3 _{e/} |
| Iran _{e/} | 26 | 60 | 60 | 62 | 65 | 72 _{e/} | 79 _{e/} |
| Iraq | 4 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 14 | 12 _{e/} | 9 _{e/} |
| Turkey | 119 | 142 | 157 | 165 | 135 | 180 | 190 |
| UAR (Egypt) . . | 396 | 348 | 335 | 325 | 405 | 446 | 454 |
| UAR (Syria) . . | 30 | 80 | 87 | 93 | 107 | 97 | 98 |
| Other countries | 2 | - | 3 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 7 |
| Sugar-beets . . . | 1,321 _{e/} | 1,682 | 2,322 | 2,708 | 3,080 | 3,222 _{e/} | ... |
| Iran | 349 _{e/} | 445 | 522 | 604 _{e/} | 727 _{e/} | 730 _{e/} | ... |
| Israel | 2 _{e/} | 21 | 29 | 59 | 94 | 122 | ... |
| Turkey | 963 _{e/} | 1,165 | 1,736 | 2,000 | 2,198 | 2,338 | 3,390 |
| UAR (Syria) . . | 7 _{e/} | 51 | 35 | 45 | 61 | 32 | ... |
| Sugar-cane | 2,191 | 4,222 | 4,140 | 4,139 | 4,231 | 3,806 | ... |
| Lebanon | 6 | ... | 1 | 9 | 8 | 8 | ... |
| UAR (Egypt) . . | 2,185 | 4,222 | 4,139 | 4,130 | 4,223 | 3,798 | ... |

Table II. (continued)

| Crop and country | Annual average 1948-1952 | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | 1959 ^{a/} |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| Tobacco | 118 | 136 | 148 | 148 | 156 | 148 | 153 |
| Iran | 12 ^{e/} | 12 ^{e/} | 11 ^{e/} | 14 ^{e/} | 14 ^{e/} | 13 ^{e/} | 11 ^{e/} |
| Iraq | 3 | 9 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 6 ^{e/} |
| Israel | 2 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Lebanon | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| Turkey | 91 | 102 | 120 | 116 | 123 | 115 | 121 ^{e/} |
| UAR (Syria). . . | 6 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 7 ^{e/} |
| Other countries | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| Olives | 418 | 708 | 309 | 795 | 324 | ... | ... |
| Cyprus | 10 ^{h/} | 8 | 8 | 13 | 10 | 6 | ... |
| Iran | 10 ^{e/} | 10 ^{e/} | 10 ^{e/} | 10 ^{e/} | 10 ^{e/} | ... | ... |
| Israel | 6 ^{h/} | 22 | 28 | 25 | 7 | 20 | ... |
| Jordan | 23 ^{b/} | 61 | 12 | 72 | 15 | 52 | ... |
| Lebanon | 37 ^{b/} | 36 | 17 | 55 | 13 | 48 | 18 |
| Turkey | 269 ^{h/} | 532 | 200 | 539 | 226 | 482 | 402 |
| UAR (Egypt). . . | 2 ^{b/} | 3 | 5 | 3 | 5 | ... | ... |
| UAR (Syria). . . | 61 ^{h/} | 36 | 29 | 78 | 38 | 65 | 28 |
| Olive oil | 77 ^{h/} | 124 | 59 | 134 | 59 | 123 | ... |
| Cyprus | 2 ^{b/} | 1 ^{e/} | 1 ^{e/} | 2 ^{e/} | 2 ^{e/} | 1 ^{e/} | ... |
| Iran | 1 ^{b/} | 1 ^{e/} | 1 ^{e/} | 1 ^{e/} | 1 ^{e/} | 1 ^{e/} | ... |
| Israel | 1 ^{b/} | 4 | - | 4 | 1 | 4 | 2 |
| Jordan | 4 ^{h/} | 15 | 7 ^{e/} | 6 ^{e/} | 4 ^{e/} | 2 ^{e/} | ... |
| Lebanon | 12 ^{b/e/} | 12 ^{e/} | 2 | 14 | 1 | 10 | ... |
| Turkey | 48 ^{h/} | 83 | 41 | 90 | 43 | 90 | 76 |
| UAR (Syria). . . | 9 ^{h/} | 8 | 7 | 17 | 7 | 15 | ... |
| Oil-seeds ^{i/} . . . | 1,319 | 1,541 | 1,583 | 1,562 | 1,709 | 1,837 | ... |
| Aden | 2 | 9 | 8 | 13 | 12 ^{e/} | 6 | 4 |
| Cyprus | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | - | - |
| Iran | 64 | 134 | 134 | 139 | 145 | 158 | 172 |
| Iraq | 18 | 32 | 29 | 31 | 47 | 43 ^{e/} | 36 ^{e/} |
| Israel | 3 | 17 | 24 | 21 | 30 | 24 | ... |
| Jordan | 2 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 2 | ... |
| Lebanon | 5 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| Turkey | 391 | 464 | 514 | 480 | 450 | 521 | 600 |
| UAR (Egypt). . . | 760 | 716 | 699 | 694 | 826 | 906 | 927 |
| UAR (Syria). . . | 72 | 159 | 166 | 176 | 191 | 174 | 180 |
| Dates | 810 | 1,006 | 951 | 1,056 | 998 | 993 | ... |
| Aden | 5 | 13 | 15 | 15 ^{e/} | 7 | 7 | ... |
| Iran | 125 | 141 | 100 | 132 | 104 | 127 | ... |
| Iraq | 313 | 303 | 334 | 349 | 323 | 324 ^{e/} | ... |
| Saudi Arabia | 182 ^{j/} | 170 ^{e/} | 173 | 191 | 200 | 200 ^{e/} | ... |
| UAR (Egypt). . . | 185 ^{b/} | 379 | 329 | 369 | 364 | 335 | ... |

Table II. (continued)

| Crop and country | Annual average 1948-1952 | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | 1959 ^{a/} |
|------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| Citrus fruits | | | | | | | |
| Cyprus | 35 | 48 | 51 | 50 | 73 | 65 | ... |
| Iran | 47 | 35 | 40 | 44 | 45 | 45 | ... |
| Israel | 302 | 392 | 452 | 439 | 436 | 588 | ... |
| Lebanon | 75 | 115 | 102 | 108 | 116 | 131 | 160 |
| Turkey | 79 | 177 | 219 | 193 | 314 | 306 | ... |
| UAR (Egypt) . . | 299 | 331 | 365 | 329 | 313 | 354 | ... |
| Other countries | 6 | 7 | 9 | 9 | 7 | 9 | 10 |
| Raisins | | | | | | | |
| Cyprus | 181 | 220 | 220 | 267 | 225 | 228 | ... |
| Iran ^{e/} | 5 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 2 | ... |
| Iran ^{e/} | 41 | 50 | 60 | 62 | 64 ^{e/} | 64 ^{e/} | ... |
| Turkey | 126 | 138 | 141 | 186 | 140 ^{e/} | 150 ^{e/} | ... |
| UAR (Syria) . . | 8 ^{e/} | 23 | 11 | 11 | 13 | 10 | ... |
| Other countries | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | ... |
| Figs ^{k/} | | | | | | | |
| Cyprus | 204 | 226 | 201 | 228 | 246 | 260 | ... |
| Cyprus | 3 ^{l/} | 4 ^{e/} | 3 ^{e/} | 3 ^{e/} | 3 ^{e/} | 3 ^{e/} | ... |
| Iran | 6 ^{j/} | 5 ^{e/} | 5 ^{e/} | 5 ^{e/} | 5 ^{e/} | 5 ^{e/} | ... |
| Israel | 6 ^{j/} | 5 | 6 | 9 | 10 | 11 | ... |
| Jordan | 16 ^{j/} | 18 | 8 | 13 | 15 | 14 | ... |
| Lebanon | 13 | 20 | 20 | 22 | 20 | 18 | ... |
| Turkey | 107 | 107 | 100 | 121 | 137 | 155 | ... |
| UAR (Egypt) . . | 11 | 11 | 9 | 6 | 5 | 5 | ... |
| UAR (Syria) . . | 42 | 56 | 50 | 49 | 51 | 49 | ... |

Source: Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, Monthly Bulletin of Agricultural Economics and Statistics. Years stated refer to period in which crops are harvested.

^{a/} Preliminary figures.

^{b/} Average of four years.

^{c/} Crop includes spelt.

^{d/} Including Arabian Peninsula countries.

^{e/} Estimated.

^{f/} Including data on millet for Aden Protectorate that are not available separately.

^{g/} Average of three years.

^{h/} Annual average, 1947-1952.

^{i/} Soya beans, ground-nuts, cotton-seed, linseed, sesame seed and sunflower seed.

^{j/} Average of two years.

^{k/} Fresh basis.

^{l/} 1948

Table III. Animals and Animal Products, by Country

| Country and item | 1950 | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | 1959 |
|---------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| Cyprus: | | | | | | | |
| Livestock <u>a/</u> | 577 | 678 | 701 | 658 | 663 | 650 | ... |
| Meat <u>b/</u> | 8 | 6 | 9 | 9 | 10 | 9 | ... |
| Milk <u>b/</u> | 31 | 28 | 28 | 22 | 26 | 25 | 25 ^{c/} |
| Hen eggs <u>d/</u> | 25 | 21 | 21 ^{c/} | 21 ^{c/} | 22 ^{c/} | 23 ^{c/} | 24 ^{c/} |
| Cheese <u>b/</u> | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | ... | ... | ... |
| Poultry <u>e/</u> | 417 | 707 | 1,100 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Iran: | | | | | | | |
| Livestock <u>a/</u> | 31,268 | 35,700 ^{c/} | 35,975 ^{c/} | 37,025 ^{c/} | 37,175 ^{c/} | 37,225 ^{c/} | ... |
| Wool <u>b/</u> | 15.0 | 17.7 | 19.5 | 19.1 | 19.5 | 20.0 | 19.5 |
| Iraq: | | | | | | | |
| Wool <u>b/</u> | 13.6 | 15.0 | 15.4 | 15.4 | 15.0 | 15.0 | 13.6 |
| Israel: | | | | | | | |
| Livestock <u>a/</u> | 255 | 377 | 406 | 434 | 523 | 595 | ... |
| Meat <u>b/</u> | 1.0 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 5.0 | 6.0 | 0.7 | ... |
| Milk <u>b/</u> | 112 | 182 | 199 | 216 | 232 | 267 | 300 ^{c/} |
| Hen eggs <u>d/</u> | 330 | 414 | 504 | 510 | 630 | 886 | ... |
| Butter <u>b/</u> | ... | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 2.0 | ... |
| Poultry <u>e/</u> | 4,790 | 4,545 | 4,960 | 5,150 | 5,700 | 7,600 | 8,800 |
| Jordan: | | | | | | | |
| Livestock <u>a/</u> | 1,425 ^{c/} | 1,989 ^{c/} | 1,982 ^{c/} | 1,865 ^{c/} | 1,615 | 1,480 | ... |
| Poultry | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1,077 | 1,046 | ... |
| Lebanon: | | | | | | | |
| Livestock <u>a/</u> | 517 ^{c/} | 590 | 578 | 563 ^{c/} | 523 ^{c/} | ... | ... |
| Meat <u>b/</u> | 14 ^{c/} | 17 | 19 | 21 | 20 | 21 | ... |
| Cheese <u>b/</u> | ... | 5 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Poultry <u>e/</u> | ... | 1,500 | 1,800 | 1,900 | 1,900 | ... | ... |
| Turkey: | | | | | | | |
| Livestock <u>a/</u> | 54,559 | 61,801 | 56,767 | 59,171 | 61,737 | 70,876 | ... |
| Wool <u>b/</u> | 30 | 36 | 37 | 39 | 40 | 42 | 42 |
| Milk <u>b/</u> | 3,173 | 2,563 | 3,480 | 3,657 | 3,334 | 4,178 | 4,230 ^{c/} |
| Hen eggs <u>d/</u> | 920 | 1,113 | 1,118 | 1,166 | 1,193 | 1,238 | ... |
| Poultry <u>e/</u> | 21,314 | 24,266 | 25,022 | 25,650 | 26,789 | 27,922 | ... |
| UAR (Egypt): | | | | | | | |
| Livestock <u>a/f/</u> | 4,512 ^{c/} | 4,341 | 4,360 ^{c/} | 4,223 ^{c/} | 4,395 | ... | ... |
| Meat <u>b/</u> | 177 | 195 | 209 | 230 | 234 | 217 | ... |
| Wool <u>b/</u> | 3.6 | 3.6 | 3.6 | 2.6 | 2.6 | ... | ... |
| Milk <u>b/</u> | 1,163 | 904 | 966 | 1,082 | 1,093 | 1,091 ^{c/} | 1,105 ^{c/} |
| Hen eggs <u>d/</u> | 455 | 591 | 706 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Poultry <u>e/</u> | ... | 59,294 | 63,518 | 63,538 | 60,785 | 62,067 | ... |
| UAR (Syria): | | | | | | | |
| Livestock <u>a/</u> | 5,016 | 6,617 | 7,033 | 7,432 | 8,299 | 8,554 | ... |
| Wool <u>b/</u> | 7.9 | 8.3 | 9.1 | 10.2 | 10.5 | 9.7 | 9.5 |
| Milk <u>b/</u> | 349 | 336 | 341 | 503 | 500 | 501 ^{c/} | 501 ^{c/} |
| Hen eggs <u>d/</u> | 91 | 180 | 157 | 155 | 146 | 138 | ... |
| Cheese <u>b/</u> | ... | 13 | 11 | 12 | 15 | 11 | ... |
| Butter <u>b/</u> | 6 | 13 | 12 | 13 | 12 | 6 | ... |
| Poultry <u>e/</u> | 2,681 | 3,427 | 3,264 | 3,045 | 3,330 | 3,190 | ... |

Source: Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations; Jordan: Statistical Yearbook, 1957 (Amman). Figures for livestock, poultry and cheese refer to agricultural years; figures for milk include milk fed to young animals.

- a/ Thousands of head.
b/ Thousands of tons.
c/ FAO estimates.
d/ Millions.
e/ Thousands.
f/ Excluding camels.

Table IV. Israel, Turkey and UAR (Egypt): Daily Food Consumption per Person
(Grammes, except as indicated)

| Item | Israel | | Turkey | | UAR (Egypt) | | |
|-------------------------|---------|---------|---------|-----------------------|-------------|---------|---------|
| | 1955/56 | 1956/57 | 1957/58 | 1956/57 ^{a/} | 1957/58 | 1956/57 | 1957/58 |
| Calories (number) . . . | 2,880 | 2,850 | 2,750 | 2,780 | 2,890 | 2,560 | 2,640 |
| Protein | 87.6 | 88.1 | 84.1 | 89.2 | 93.3 | 73.4 | 78.2 |
| Animal | 30.4 | 31.3 | 33.0 | 15.2 | 14.4 | 12.9 | 13.3 |
| Vegetable | 57.2 | 56.8 | 51.1 | 74.0 | 78.9 | 60.5 | 64.9 |
| Fats | 83.3 | 80.2 | 83.5 | 45.9 | 44.5 | 38.4 | 42.2 |

500

Source: Israel and United Arab Republic: government sources; Turkey: government sources through the Organization for European Economic Co-operation.

a/ Provisional: food balance-sheets prior to 1957/58 under revision.

Table V. Number of Tractors^{a/} used in Agriculture, by Country

| Country | 1950 | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Aden ^{b/} | ... | 102 | 150 | 182 | 390 | 418 |
| Cyprus ^{b/} | 443 | 1,181 | 1,476 | 1,682 | 2,452 | 2,752 |
| Iran | 1,186 ^{b/} | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Iraq | ... | 1,462 | 1,715 | 2,096 | 2,188 | ... |
| Israel | 2,300 | 3,535 | 4,010 | 4,500 | 4,700 | 4,975 |
| Jordan ^{b/} | 84 ^{c/} | 305 | 367 | 439 | 566 | 664 |
| Lebanon | 121 | 135 | 160 | 195 | 224 | 440 |
| Turkey | 10,227 | 37,743 | 40,282 | 43,727 | 44,144 | 42,527 |
| UAR (Egypt) ^{d/} | ... | 10,355 | 10,750 | ... | 12,086 | ... |
| UAR (Syria) | 642 ^{b/} | 1,483 | 2,205 | 3,370 | 3,999 | 4,546 |

Source: Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations; Jordan: Statistical Yearbook, 1957 and Statistical Yearbook, 1958 (Jerusalem, Jordan); UAR (Syria): Statistical Abstract, 1957 and 1958 (Damascus); Turkey: Report on the Turkish Budget for the Fiscal Year 1956/57.

a/ Both crawler and wheel types.

b/ Tractors used for all purposes, including road-building.

c/ 1951.

d/ Including garden tractors.

Table VI. Consumption of Fertilizers, by Country
(Thousands of tons)

| Item and country | 1954/55 | 1955/56 | 1956/57 | 1957/58 | 1958/59 ^{a/} |
|---|---------|---------|---------|---------|-----------------------|
| <u>Nitrogen (N)</u> | | | | | |
| Cyprus | 2.9 | 4.2 | 3.6 | 6.4 | 6.8 |
| Iran | ... | ... | 0.6 | 1.6 | 1.8 ^{b/} |
| Israel | 10.0 | 12.2 | 11.6 | 14.1 | 15.4 |
| Lebanon | 4.6 | 5.9 | 5.8 | 5.6 | 6.0 ^{b/} |
| Turkey | 10.5 | 9.6 | 10.8 | 13.4 | 14.0 |
| UAR (Egypt) ^{c/} | 111.2 | 122.6 | 115.2 | 157.3 | 177.1 |
| UAR (Syria) | 4.6 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 3.6 | 3.3 |
| Total | 143.8 | 158.0 | 151.1 | 202.0 | 224.4 |
| <u>Phosphoric acid (P₂O₅)</u> | | | | | |
| Cyprus | 5.5 | 5.4 | 5.4 | 5.6 | 5.9 |
| Iran | ... | 0.4 | 0.7 | 2.7 | 2.8 ^{b/} |
| Israel | 13.2 | 14.9 | 15.4 | 15.7 | 15.5 |
| Lebanon | 2.3 | 4.1 | 4.7 | 6.9 | ... |
| Turkey | 11.6 | 10.5 | 5.1 | 6.4 | 13.3 |
| UAR (Egypt) ^{c/} | 15.0 | 20.6 | 23.7 | 27.5 | 27.7 |
| UAR (Syria) | 0.9 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.8 | 0.3 |
| Total | 48.5 | 56.5 | 55.7 | 65.6 | 65.5 |
| <u>Potash (K₂O)</u> | | | | | |
| Cyprus | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 |
| Iran | ... | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.5 | ... |
| Israel | 2.7 | 3.0 | 3.5 | 2.6 | ... |
| Lebanon | 1.7 | 1.4 | 1.3 | 6.9 | 2.5 |
| Turkey | 0.6 | 6.3 | 6.1 | 0.3 | 0.9 |
| UAR (Egypt) ^{c/} | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 1.5 | 2.7 |
| UAR (Syria) | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.2 |
| Total | 5.8 | 11.3 | 11.7 | 12.6 | 6.6 |

Source: Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, An Annual Review of World Production and Consumption of Fertilizers, various issues (Rome).

^{a/} Estimates.

^{b/} Unofficial estimates.

^{c/} Calendar year ending in the first half of the period stated.

Table VII. UAR (Syria): Implementation of the Agrarian Reform Law,
27 September 1958 - August 1959 a/

| District | Number of landlords- b/ | | | Total area expro- priated | Area distributed | | Beneficiaries | | Co-operative societies | |
|-------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| | Total | Irri- gated land | Non-irri- gated land | | Irri- gated | Non-irri- gated | Number of families | Number of persons | Budget ^{c/} | Number of members |
| Damascus | 141 | 27 | 94 | 53,388 | 250 | 6,796 | 565 | 3,730 | 401 | 824 |
| Aleppo | 652 | 140 | 512 | 38,825 | 233 | 17,952 | 1,144 | 6,249 | 878 | 2,489 |
| Homs | 178 | 49 | 129 | 22,767 | - | 5,177 | 244 | 1,126 | 1,019 | 1,399 |
| Hama | 272 | 66 | 206 | 13,646 | 83 | 3,657 | 189 | 1,304 | 1,326 | 3,474 |
| Latakia | 60 | 20 | 40 | 1,278 | 401 | 195 | 161 | 1,001 | 174 | 359 |
| Dair-al-Zor . . | 900 | 277 | 623 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 35 |
| Hasakeh | 964 | 166 | 798 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 400 |
| Dar'a | 47 | 16 | 31 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Sweida | 4 | - | 4 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Total | 3,218 | 781 | 2,437 | 109,904 | 967 | 33,777 | 2,303 | 13,410 | 3,798 | 8,980 |

Source: UAR (Syria): Directorate of Statistics, Ministry of Agrarian Reform, "First Statistical Abstract, 1959"
(mimeographed).

a/ Area in hectares; value in thousands of Syrian pounds.

b/ Number of landlords that will eventually be affected by the Agrarian Reform Law, according to type of land.

c/ Budget appropriations for the 1959/60 agricultural year.

Table VIII. UAR (Syria): Distribution of Landlords Subject to Agrarian Reform Law,
by District ^{a/} and Type of Land

| Area (hectares) | Demascus | Aleppo | Hama | Latakia | Dair-al-Zor | Hasakeh | Dar'a | Sweida | Total |
|---------------------------|----------|--------|------|---------|-------------|---------|-------|--------|-------|
| <u>Irrigated land</u> | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 - 100 | 37 | 117 | 41 | 16 | 186 | 135 | 11 | - | 594 |
| 101 - 200 | 4 | 8 | 4 | 3 | 28 | 14 | 4 | - | 71 |
| 201 - 500 | 3 | 10 | 2 | 1 | 40 | 11 | - | - | 76 |
| 501 - 1,000 | 1 | 2 | - | - | 19 | 3 | 1 | - | 26 |
| Over 1,000 | 2 | 3 | 2 | - | 4 | 3 | - | - | 14 |
| Total, irrigated land | 47 | 140 | 49 | 20 | 277 | 166 | 16 | - | 781 |
| <u>Non-irrigated land</u> | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 - 500 | 67 | 393 | 95 | 37 | 494 | 636 | 15 | 3 | 1,896 |
| 501 - 1,000 | 10 | 55 | 16 | 2 | 58 | 90 | 2 | - | 260 |
| 1,001 - 5,000 | 13 | 55 | 12 | 1 | 60 | 66 | 12 | 1 | 242 |
| 5,001 - 10,000 | - | 8 | 3 | - | 5 | 6 | 2 | - | 25 |
| 10,001 - 15,000 | 4 | - | 1 | - | 5 | - | - | - | 10 |
| 15,001 - 20,000 | - | - | 2 | - | 1 | - | - | - | 3 |
| Over 20,000 | - | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 |
| Total, non-irrigated land | 94 | 512 | 129 | 40 | 623 | 798 | 31 | 4 | 2,437 |
| Total | 141 | 652 | 178 | 60 | 900 | 964 | 47 | 4 | 3,218 |

Source: UAR (Syria): Directorate of Statistics, Ministry of Agrarian Reform, "First Statistical Abstract, 1959" (mimeographed).

^{a/} Referred to in source as "mohafazat".

Table IX. Output in Certain Branches of Mining and Manufacturing Industries,
Major Producing Countries
(Thousands of tons, except as indicated)

| Product and Country | 1950 | 1951 | 1952 | 1953 | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | 1959 (first half) |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------------------------|
| Electricity (millions of kwh): a/ | | | | | | | | | | |
| Aden b/ | 10 | 13 | 14 | 16 | 49 | 97 | 107 | 112 | 119 | ... |
| Cyprus b/ | 12 | 16 | 19 | 27 | 49 | 73 | 105 | 149 | 178 | 96 |
| Iran c/ | 588 | 539 | ... | 492 | ... | 570 | 600 | 620 | 650 | ... |
| Iraq b/d/ | 117 | 186 | 258 | 342 | 390 | 489 | 506 | 481 | 613 | ... |
| Israel b/e/ | 464 | 620 | 809 | 914 | 1,076 | 1,308 | 1,410 | 1,416 | 1,766 | 754 f/ |
| Lebanon | 114 | 132 | 147 | 164 | 180 | 220 | 253 | 297 | 303 | ... |
| Turkey | 790 | 888 | 1,020 | 1,201 | 1,403 | 1,583 | 1,819 | 2,060 | 2,300 | 1,126 |
| UAR (Egypt) | 881 | 870 | 978 | 1,197 | 1,240 | 1,422 | 1,545 | 1,706 | 1,905 | ... |
| UAR (Syria) b/g/ | 81 | 87 | 99 | 114 | 129 | 147 | 164 | 181 | 191 | 98 |
| Total | 3,057 | 3,351 | ... | 4,467 | ... | 5,909 | 6,509 | 7,022 | 8,025 | ... |
| Coal: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Iran h/ | 200 | 170 | 150 | 155 | 252 | 245 | 190 | 176 | 170 | ... |
| Turkey | 2,832 | 2,988 | 3,010 | 3,664 | 3,690 | 3,498 | 3,718 | 3,969 | 4,064 | 1,981 |
| Total | 3,032 | 3,158 | 3,160 | 3,819 | 3,942 | 3,743 | 3,908 | 4,145 | 4,234 | ... |
| Manganese ore (Mn content): | | | | | | | | | | |
| Iran | - | 4 | 3 | 1 | 14 | 10 | 18 | 18 | ... | ... |
| Turkey | 16 | 25 | 39 | 44 | 24 | 25 | 30 | 28 | 15 | ... |
| UAR (Egypt) | 44 | 45 | 55 | 82 | 51 | 63 | 60 | 9 | 44 | ... |
| Total | 60 | 74 | 97 | 127 | 89 | 98 | 108 | 55 | ... | ... |
| Iron ore (iron content): | | | | | | | | | | |
| Turkey | 143 | 143 | 305 | 315 | 301 | 479 | 577 | 722 | 567 | ... |
| UAR (Egypt) | - | - | - | - | - | 18 | 66 | 127 | 89 | ... |
| Total | 143 | 143 | 305 | 315 | 301 | 497 | 643 | 849 | 656 | ... |

Table IX (continued)

| Product and country | 1950 | 1951 | 1952 | 1953 | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | 1959 (first half) |
|--|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|-------------------------|
| Copper ore (metal content): | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cyprus | 16 | 18 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 27 | 32 | 34 | 31 | ... |
| Iran | - | - | 2 | 1 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 5 | ... | ... |
| Turkey | 12 | 18 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 24 | 25 | 24 | 23 | 12 |
| Total | 28 | 36 | 45 | 46 | 51 | 55 | 62 | 63 | ... | ... |
| Chrome ore (Cr₂O₃ content): | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cyprus | 8 | 6 | 6 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 5 | ... |
| Iran | ... | 15 | 14 | 3 | 18 | 18 | 33 | 39 | ... | ... |
| Turkey | 207 | 295 | 395 | 438 | 270 | 312 | 400 | 468 | 266 | ... |
| Total | 215 | 316 | 415 | 445 | 292 | 334 | 436 | 510 | ... | ... |
| Phosphates: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Israel | 71/ | - | - | 23 | 58 | 72 | 116 | 152 | 210 | 104 1/ |
| Jordan | ... | 7 | 25 | 40 | 75 | 164 | 208 | 262 | 294 | 131 1/ |
| UAR (Egypt) | 397 | 501 | 478 | 443 | 535 | 626 | 615 | 585 | 558 | 315 |
| Total | 404 | 508 | 503 | 506 | 668 | 826 | 939 | 999 | 1,062 | 550 |
| Sugar: k/ | | | | | | | | | | |
| Iran | 28 | 55 | 69 | 78 | 77 | 75 | 81 | 77 | 110 | ... |
| Turkey | 150 | 153 | 207 | 188 | 194 | 277 | 301 | 348 | 380 | ... |
| UAR (Egypt) | 175 | 195 | 188 | 229 | 271 | 319 | 312 | 299 | 306 | ... |
| UAR (Syria) | 8 | 10 | 19 | 30 | 36 | 45 | 50 | 45 | 57 | ... |
| Total | 361 | 413 | 483 | 525 | 578 | 716 | 744 | 769 | 853 | ... |
| Beer (thousands of hectolitres): | | | | | | | | | | |
| Iraq 1/ | 17 | 18 | 18 | 17 | 19 | 23 | 22 | 33 | ... | ... |
| Israel | 123 | 145 | 154 | 140 | 143 | 146 | 130 | 138 | 169 | 71 |
| Lebanon | 21 | 15 | 21 | 18 | 23 | 25 | 31 | 33 | 31 | ... |
| Turkey | 195 | 211 | 227 | 218 | 311 | 298 | 281 | 314 | 337 | 135 |
| UAR (Egypt) | 131 | 151 | 123 | 84 | 85 | 124 | 100 | 97 | 109 | ... |
| UAR (Syria) | - | - | - | 2 | 1 | - | 1 | 9 | 15 | ... |
| Total | 487 | 520 | 543 | 479 | 582 | 616 | 565 | 624 | ... | ... |

Table IX (continued)

| Product and country | 1950 | 1951 | 1952 | 1953 | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | 1959 (first half) |
|--|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------------------------|
| Cigarettes (millions): | | | | | | | | | | |
| Iran h/ | 4,112 | 4,972 | 5,155 | 5,772 | 6,681 | 6,813 | 6,616 | 6,117 | 7,158 | ... |
| Israel | 1,515 | 2,025 | 2,050 | 2,020 | 2,005 | 1,985 | 2,125 | 2,220 | 2,270 | 1,187 |
| Jordan | 221 | 328 | 353 | 378 | 452 | 508 | 605 | 765 | 737 | 387 |
| Lebanon | 830 | 930 | 900 | 955 | 975 | 980 | 1,070 | 1,090 | 1,040 | ... |
| Turkey m/ | 15,565 | 17,215 | 18,805 | 20,540 | 23,735 | 22,010 | 23,720 | 26,560 | ... | ... |
| UAR (Egypt) n/ | 10,700 | 10,500 | 10,000 | 9,200 | 9,200 | 9,394 | 9,726 | 9,882 | 10,058 | ... |
| UAR (Syria) | 1,360 | 1,450 | 1,575 | 1,645 | 1,775 | 1,850 | 1,885 | 1,840 | 1,905 | 940 |
| Total | 34,303 | 37,420 | 38,838 | 40,510 | 44,823 | 43,540 | 45,747 | 48,474 | ... | ... |
| Tobacco (tons): | | | | | | | | | | |
| Iran h/ | 3,847 | 5,290 | 4,879 | 5,167 | 5,295 | 4,762 | 4,945 | 4,475 | 4,537 | ... |
| Israel | 47 | 64 | 56 | 64 | 71 | 69 | 74 | 77 | 81 | 41 |
| Jordan | 3 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 6 | 1 | 1 | ... | ... | ... |
| Lebanon | 304 | 321 | 233 | 320 | 315 | 318 | 363 | 385 | 379 | ... |
| Turkey o/ | 2,303 | 2,512 | 3,241 | 2,755 | 3,146 | 2,402 | 3,133 | 2,264 | ... | ... |
| UAR (Egypt) n/ | 4,500 | 4,400 | 4,200 | 3,800 | 3,900 | 3,887 | 4,006 | 4,296 | 4,186 | ... |
| UAR (Syria) | 715 | 691 | 874 | 1,015 | 1,129 | 1,189 | 1,367 | 1,106 | 1,004 | 521 |
| Total | 11,719 | 13,281 | 13,487 | 13,125 | 13,862 | 12,628 | 13,889 | 12,603 | ... | ... |
| Alcohol (thousands of hectolitres): | | | | | | | | | | |
| Turkey | 52 | 58 | 62 | 75 | 58 | 105 | 133 | 147 | 197 | 90 |
| UAR (Egypt) | 146 | 106 | 144 | 122 | 132 | 136 | 146 | 156 | 182 | 69 |
| UAR (Syria) p/ | - | 11 | 22 | 20 | 18 | 19 | 22 | 41 | 45 | ... |
| Total | 198 | 175 | 228 | 217 | 208 | 260 | 301 | 344 | 424 | ... |
| Cotton yarn: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Israel | 3 | 3 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 6 | 7 | 9 | 4 |
| Lebanon | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 4 | ... | ... |
| Turkey | 30 | 30 | 35 | 51 | 57 | 67 | 73 | 82 | 94 | ... |
| UAR (Egypt) | 49 | 53 | 56 | 60 | 65 | 74 | 76 | 82 | 88 | 319/ |
| UAR (Syria) | 5 | 6 | 6 | 7 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 9 | ... |
| Total (excluding Israel) | 86 | 91 | 99 | 121 | 133 | 153 | 162 | 176 | ... | ... |

Table IX (continued)

| Product and country | 1950 | 1951 | 1952 | 1953 | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | 1959 (first half) |
|---|--------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------------------------|
| Cotton fabrics (pure, millions of metres): | | | | | | | | | | |
| Israel r/. | 13 ^{1/2} | 12 ^{1/2} | ... | ... | ... | ... | 29 | 32 | 43 | 22 |
| Lebanon r/. | 6 | 5 | 6 | 12 | 36 | 32 | 36 | 35 | ... | ... |
| Turkey | 130 ^{1/2} | 151 | 182 | 271 | 305 | 330 | 364 | 451 | 480 | ... |
| UAR (Egypt) | 225 ^{1/2} | 306 | 317 | 322 | 352 | 380 | 405 | 411 | 490 | ... |
| Total (excluding Israel) | 361 | 462 | 505 | 605 | 693 | 742 | 805 | 897 | ... | ... |
| Paper and cardboard: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Israel | - | - | - | - | - | 14 | 17 | 18 | 22 | 12 ^{1/2} |
| Turkey | 18 | 23 | 20 | 20 | 38 | 47 | 45 | 54 | ... | ... |
| UAR (Egypt) | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 24 | 29 | 32 | 34 | 41 | ... |
| Total | 38 | 43 | 40 | 40 | 62 | 90 | 94 | 106 | ... | ... |
| Cement: s/ t/. | | | | | | | | | | |
| Iran | 54 | 56 | 53 | 65 | 62 | 132 | 224 | 313 | 410 | ... |
| Israel | 380 | 439 | 446 | 465 | 566 | 664 | 613 | 719 | 713 | 380 |
| Jordan | - | - | - | - | 86 | 95 | 79 | 107 | 114 | 50 ^{1/2} |
| Lebanon | 263 | 303 | 280 | 314 | 326 | 453 | 488 | 560 | 506 | 344 ^{1/2} |
| Turkey | 396 | 396 | 459 | 528 | 708 | 821 | 972 | 1,261 | 1,512 | 657 |
| UAR (Egypt) | 1,022 | 1,074 | 947 | 1,097 | 1,237 | 1,371 | 1,351 | 1,466 | 1,517 | 783 |
| UAR (Syria) | 68 | 39 | 151 | 224 | 249 | 264 | 326 | 314 | 408 | 196 |
| Total | 2,183 | 2,307 | 2,336 | 2,693 | 3,234 | 3,800 | 4,053 | 4,740 | 5,180 | ... |
| Sulphuric acid: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Israel | - | - | 7 | 16 | 43 | 70 | 72 | 97 | 107 | 56 |
| Turkey | 11 | 14 | 16 | 20 | 19 | 18 | 18 | 22 | 20 | ... |
| UAR (Egypt) | 38 | 47 | 44 | 40 | 57 | 73 | 80 | 89 | ... | ... |
| Total | 49 | 61 | 67 | 76 | 119 | 161 | 170 | 238 | ... | ... |

Table IX (continued)

| Product and country | 1950 | 1951 | 1952 | 1953 | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | 1959 (first half) |
|--|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-------------------|------|-------------------------|
| Superphosphates: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Israel | 10 | 11 | 16 | 33 | 71 | 101 | 96 | 108 | 96 | 43 |
| Turkey | 13 | 19 | 21 | 22 | 40 | 66 | 25 | 12 | 5 | 7 |
| UAR (Egypt) | 69 | 89 | 106 | 68 | 108 | 137 | 157 | 178 | 179 | ... |
| Total | 92 | 119 | 143 | 123 | 219 | 304 | 278 | 298 | 280 | ... |
| Nitrogenous fertilizers: (nitrogen content): w/ | | | | | | | | | | |
| Israel | - | - | - | - | 1 | 2 | 10 | 13 | 13 | ... |
| Turkey | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | ... |
| UAR (Egypt) | - | 17 | 19 | 22 | 25 | 27 | 33 | 32 | 32 | ... |
| Total | 1 | 18 | 20 | 23 | 27 | 30 | 44 | 46 | 46 | ... |
| Rubber tires (thousands): | | | | | | | | | | |
| Israel | - | - | - | 118 | 145 | 171 | 188 | 212 | 248 | 175 |
| UAR (Egypt) | - | - | - | - | - | - | 64 | 156 | ... | ... |
| Total | - | - | - | 118 | 145 | 171 | 252 | 368 | ... | ... |
| Steel: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Turkey | 91 | 135 | 153 | 163 | 169 | 188 | 193 | 176 ^{1/} | 160 | 103 |
| UAR (Egypt) | 25 | 32 | 50 | 58 | 76 | 89 | 95 | 103 ^{1/} | ... | ... |
| Total | 116 | 167 | 203 | 221 | 245 | 277 | 288 | 279 | ... | ... |

Source: United Nations, Statistical Yearbook, The Development of Manufacturing Industry in Egypt, Israel and Turkey (sales number: 58.II.B.4), and World Energy Supplies, 1955-1958 (sales number: 59.XVII.7); Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, Yearbook of Food and Agricultural Statistics (Rome); United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA), "Bulletin of Economic Development", No. 14 (Beirut, 1956) (mimeographed); The Economist Intelligence Unit, Ltd., Three-monthly Economic Review, Syria, Lebanon, Jordan (London), No. 15, October 1959; Iran: Ministry of Industry and Mines, Statistical Yearbook (Teheran); Bank Melli Iran, Balance Sheet (Teheran); Iraq: Statistical Abstract, 1958 (Baghdad, 1959); Israel: Central Bureau of Statistics, Statistical Abstract

Source and foot-notes to table IX (continued)

of Israel, 1958/59 (Jerusalem, 1959); United States Council of Economic Advisors, Economic Indicators (Washington, D.C.); Statistical Bulletin of Israel (English summary) (Jerusalem), August-September 1959; Jordan: Statistical Yearbook, 1958; Ministry of National Economy, Special Statistical Bulletin, 1959 (Amman); Lebanon: Bulletin statistique trimestriel (Beirut); Turkey: Central Statistical Office, Monthly Bulletin of Statistics (Ankara); The Union of Chambers of Commerce, Industry and Commodity Exchanges of Turkey, Turkish Economic Review (Ankara), March 1960; UAR (Egypt): National Bank of Egypt, Economic Bulletin (Cairo); Budget Speech, 1958/59 (Cairo, 1958) (in Arabic); Federation of Egyptian Industries, Annuaire (Cairo); Ministry of Industry, Al Nahda Al Sina'iya, No. 1 (Cairo, 1958) (in Arabic); UAR (Syria): Directorate of Industry, General Monthly Bulletin of Current Statistics (Damascus); Statistical Abstract, 1958; Etude mensuelle sur l'économie et les finances de la Syrie et des pays arabes (Damascus).

a/ Data are also available for the following countries:

Production of Electricity

(Millions of kwh)

| Country | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 |
|--|------|------|------|------|
| Bahrain (for public use only) | 20 | 30 | 30 | 40 |
| Jordan (for public and industrial use) | 10 | 20 | 20 | 20 |
| Kuwait (for public use only) | 60 | 80 | 120 | 200 |
| Saudi Arabia (for public use only) . | 150 | 160 | 170 | 180 |

- b/ Including only enterprises generating power primarily for public use.
- c/ Public and industrial production: years beginning 20-22 March of year stated.
- d/ Consumption, excluding power generated for pumping oil through pipelines.
- e/ Prior to 1955, two public utilities only.
- f/ Five months only, January-March and May-June.
- g/ Including only five public utilities; total public and private production reached 262 million and 293 million kilowatt-hours in 1957 and 1958, respectively.
- h/ Twelve months beginning 20 March of year stated.

i/ Preliminary figures.

Foot-notes to table IX (continued)

- j/ Production for full year 1959 amounted to 238,000 tons.
- k/ Production during crop year ending in the year stated, generally September to August, except for UAR (Syria).
- l/ Twelve months beginning 1 April of year stated.
- m/ Twelve months beginning 1 March of year stated.
- n/ Estimates for 1950-1954. Based on imports of tobacco leaf and tobacco.
- o/ Cigarette tobacco only.
- p/ Alcoholic liquids, converted at the rate of 1 ton = 12.5 hectolitres.
- q/ Four months only.
- r/ Production converted at the rate of 1 metric ton = 7,000 metres.
- s/ Excluding Iraq. Production of cement in Iraq for the years 1957/58 and 1958/59 amounted to 669,000 and 661,000 tons, respectively.
- t/ Excluding natural cement.
- u/ Production for full year 1959 amounted to 110,000 tons.
- v/ Production for full year 1959 amounted to 743,000 tons.
- w/ Years beginning July.

Table X. Quantum Indices of Output in Certain Branches of Mining and Manufacturing Industries, Major Producing Countries a/

(1953 = 100)

| Product | 1950 | 1951 | 1952 | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 ^{b/} |
|---------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--------------------|
| Electricity | 68 | 75 | ... | ... | 132 | 146 | 157 | 179 |
| Coal | 79 | 83 | 83 | 103 | 98 | 102 | 109 | 111 |
| Manganese | 47 | 58 | 76 | 70 | 77 | 85 | 43 | 61 |
| Iron ore | 45 | 45 | 97 | 96 | 158 | 204 | 270 | 208 |
| Copper | 61 | 78 | 98 | 111 | 120 | 135 | 137 | 128 |
| Chrome | 48 | 71 | 93 | 66 | 75 | 98 | 115 | 70 |
| Phosphates | 80 | 100 | 99 | 132 | 170 | 186 | 197 | 210 |
| Sugar | 69 | 79 | 92 | 110 | 136 | 142 | 146 | 162 |
| Beer | 102 | 109 | 113 | 121 | 129 | 118 | 130 | 145 |
| Cigarettes | 85 | 92 | 96 | 111 | 107 | 113 | 120 | 123 |
| Tobacco | 89 | 101 | 103 | 106 | 96 | 106 | 96 | 95 |
| Alcohol | 91 | 81 | 105 | 96 | 120 | 139 | 159 | 195 |
| Cotton yarn | 71 | 75 | 82 | 110 | 126 | 134 | 145 | 161 |
| Cotton fabrics | 60 | 76 | 83 | 114 | 123 | 133 | 148 | 166 |
| Paper and cardboard . . | 95 | 108 | 100 | 155 | 225 | 235 | 265 | 293 |
| Cement | 81 | 86 | 87 | 120 | 141 | 151 | 176 | 192 |
| Sulphuric acid | 64 | 80 | 88 | 157 | 212 | 224 | 274 | 284 |
| Superphosphates | 75 | 97 | 116 | 178 | 247 | 226 | 242 | 228 |
| Nitrogenous fertilizers | 4 | 78 | 87 | 117 | 130 | 191 | 200 | 200 |
| Rubber tires | - | - | - | 123 | 145 | 214 | 312 | 342 |
| Steel | 52 | 76 | 92 | 111 | 125 | 130 | 126 | 119 |

Source: Based on table IX.

a/ For countries included, see table IX.

b/ Whenever data on 1958 industrial output are not available, it has been assumed that the 1958 data coincide with the available 1957 data.

Table XI. Indices of Industrial Production,^{a/} Selected Countries
(1953 = 100)

| Country and item | 1951 | 1952 | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 |
|---|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| <u>Israel:</u> ^{b/} | | | | | | | |
| Minerals | ... | ... | ... | 100 | 144 | 219 | 279 |
| Food | ... | ... | ... | 100 | 100 | 105 | 119 |
| Textiles | ... | ... | ... | 100 | 101 | 117 | 125 |
| Clothing and footwear | ... | ... | ... | 100 | 92 | 88 | 102 |
| Wood-work | ... | ... | ... | 100 | 96 | 109 | 110 |
| Printing and paper | ... | ... | ... | 100 | 94 | 96 | 107 |
| Leather | ... | ... | ... | 100 | 108 | 113 | 53 |
| Rubber products | ... | ... | ... | 100 | 89 | 117 | 131 |
| Chemicals | ... | ... | ... | 100 | 101 | 113 | 116 |
| Stone and cement | ... | ... | ... | 100 | 92 | 107 | 117 |
| Diamonds | ... | ... | ... | 100 | 98 | 112 | 101 |
| Metals | ... | ... | ... | 100 | 97 | 108 | 112 |
| Machinery | ... | ... | ... | 100 | 112 | 110 | 112 |
| Vehicles | ... | ... | ... | 100 | 116 | 137 | 174 |
| Electrical appliances | ... | ... | ... | 100 | 108 | 120 | 138 |
| General index of manufactures | ... | ... | ... | 100 | 101 | 113 | 124 |
| <u>Turkey:</u> | | | | | | | |
| Food, beverages and tobacco ^{c/} | 94 | 91 | 109 | 132 | 141 | 156 | ... |
| Coal mining | 82 | 82 | 101 | 97 | 103 | 112 | 114 |
| Metal mining | 67 | 89 | 62 | 77 | 96 | 107 | 75 |
| Sulphur | 76 | 85 | 102 | 117 | 142 | 134 | 131 |
| Textiles | 82 | 96 | 118 | 129 | 122 | 129 | ... |
| General index of manufactures | 86 | 93 | 117 | 134 | 136 | 150 | ... |
| <u>UAR (Egypt):</u> | | | | | | | |
| Crude petroleum | 102 | 105 | 87 | 89 | 81 | 104 | 140 |
| Salt and phosphate | 121 | 114 | 112 | 125 | 130 | 117 | 112 |
| Food and tobacco ^{d/} | 108 | 102 | 100 | 112 | 120 | 128 | 138 |
| Textiles | 91 | 97 | 109 | 116 | 126 | 134 | 147 |
| Footwear | 97 | 97 | 101 | 97 | 94 | 97 | 89 |
| Furniture | 122 | 119 | 122 | 131 | 157 | 139 | 153 |
| Paper, cardboard and products thereof | 98 | 94 | 115 | 142 | 154 | 172 | 206 |
| Printing and periodicals | 89 | 88 | 116 | 122 | 124 | 121 | 131 |
| Tanning industry | 92 | 102 | 108 | 124 | 121 | 105 | 99 |
| Alcohol, soap and oils | 88 | 96 | 103 | 111 | 116 | 118 | 138 |
| Petroleum refineries | 131 | 136 | 114 | 152 | 144 | 175 | 185 |
| Basic metal industries | 55 | 86 | 131 | 149 | 159 | 156 | 173 |
| Motor-car repairs | 88 | 94 | 114 | 122 | 121 | 122 | 134 |
| General index of manufactures | 95 | 98 | 107 | 117 | 125 | 132 | 143 |

Source: Statistical Office of the United Nations; Israel, Central Bureau of Statistics, Statistical Abstract of Israel, 1958/59.

a/ Classified according to United Nations, International Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities, Statistical Papers, Series M, No. 4 (sales number: 58.XVII.7).

b/ 1955 = 100.

c/ Sugar, beer, spirits, wine and tobacco.

d/ Canning, fruit preserving, tobacco, edible oils and the like.

Table XII. Production of Crude Petroleum, by Country
(Thousands of tons, except as indicated)

| Country | 1950 | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | 1959 ^{a/} |
|---|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|----------------------|
| Bahrain | 1,506 | 1,503 | 1,502 | 1,506 | 1,599 | 2,034 | 2,252 ^{b/} |
| Iran | 32,259 | 3,500 | 17,070 | 26,481 | 35,129 | 40,243 | 45,023 ^{b/} |
| Iraq | 6,584 | 30,625 | 32,705 | 31,322 | 21,980 | 35,670 | 41,756 ^{c/} |
| Israel | - | - | 1 | 21 | 54 | 88 | 130 ^{d/} |
| Kuwait | 17,291 | 47,723 | 54,756 | 54,982 | 57,286 | 70,217 | 69,533 |
| Neutral Zone . . | - | 849 | 1,266 | 1,672 | 3,328 | 4,257 | 6,000 ^{d/} |
| Qatar | 1,636 | 4,779 | 5,438 | 5,877 | 6,611 | 8,222 | 7,993 |
| Saudi Arabia . . | 26,617 | 46,877 | 47,535 | 48,704 | 49,004 | 50,131 | 54,033 |
| Turkey | 17 | 58 | 179 | 306 | 298 | 328 | 372 ^{d/} |
| UAR (Egypt) . . . | 2,592 | 2,278 | 1,821 | 1,723 | 2,362 | 3,166 | 3,600 ^{d/} |
| Middle East total (millions of tons) | 88.5 | 138.2 | 162.3 | 172.6 | 177.7 | 214.4 | 230.7 |
| World total ^{e/} (millions of tons) | 522.9 | 690.3 | 772.8 | 840.8 | 884.3 | 907.0 | 976.9 ^{d/} |
| Middle East total as percentage of world total | 16.9 | 20.0 | 21.0 | 20.5 | 20.1 | 23.6 | 23.6 |

Source: Statistical Office of the United Nations; World Oil (Houston, Texas), 15 February 1960; Petroleum Press Service (London), March 1960.

a/ Preliminary figures.

b/ Including an estimated 250,000 tons for the production of Naft-i-Shah field.

c/ Including an estimated 200,000 tons for the production of Naft Khaneh field.

d/ Estimated.

e/ Excluding China (mainland).

Table XIII. Output of Major Refinery Products, by Country
(Thousand of tons, except as indicated)

| Country and year | Motor spirits | Kerosene | Heavy oils ^{a/} | Total, major products |
|--------------------------|---------------|----------|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| <u>Aden:</u> | | | | |
| 1954 | 105 | 32 | 1,014 | 1,151 |
| 1955 | 572 | 373 | 3,105 | 4,050 |
| 1956 | 638 | 394 | 3,441 | 4,473 |
| 1957 | 624 | 343 | 3,161 | 4,128 |
| 1958 <u>b/</u> | 553 | 376 | 2,723 | 3,652 |
| <u>Bahrain:</u> | | | | |
| 1950 | 1,816 | 727 | 4,450 | 6,993 |
| 1954 | 2,230 | 1,078 | 6,282 | 9,590 |
| 1955 | 2,009 | 1,061 | 6,073 | 9,143 |
| 1956 | 1,628 | 1,129 | 6,417 | 9,174 |
| 1957 | 1,305 | 949 | 6,458 | 8,712 |
| 1958 <u>b/</u> | 1,525 | 1,236 | 6,304 | 9,065 |
| <u>Iran:</u> | | | | |
| 1950 | 4,394 | 2,375 | 16,407 | 23,176 |
| 1954 | 470 | 490 | 1,850 | 2,810 |
| 1955 | 1,231 | 1,276 | 4,767 | 7,274 |
| 1956 | 2,182 | 1,833 | 7,288 | 11,303 |
| 1957 | 2,651 | 2,353 | 10,016 | 15,020 |
| 1958 <u>b/</u> | 2,777 | 2,421 | 10,437 | 15,635 |
| <u>Iraq:</u> | | | | |
| 1950 | 67 | 77 | 240 | 384 |
| 1954 | 130 | 174 | 600 | 904 |
| 1955 | 152 | 198 | 751 | 1,101 |
| 1956 | 194 | 236 | 1,010 | 1,440 |
| 1957 | 216 | 223 | 1,114 | 1,553 |
| 1958 <u>b/</u> | 249 | 271 | 1,140 | 1,660 |
| <u>Israel:</u> | | | | |
| 1950 | 31 | 27 | 240 | 298 |
| 1954 | 170 | 141 | 611 | 922 |
| 1955 | 191 | 140 | 633 | 964 |
| 1956 | 204 | 138 | 595 | 937 |
| 1957 | 165 | 138 | 673 | 976 |
| 1958 <u>b/</u> | 190 | 176 | 744 | 1,110 |
| <u>Kuwait:</u> | | | | |
| 1950 | 15 | 5 | 1,132 | 1,152 |
| 1954 | 45 | 13 | 1,450 | 1,508 |
| 1955 | 50 | 18 | 1,463 | 1,531 |
| 1956 | 51 | 20 | 1,441 | 1,512 |
| 1957 | 58 | 22 | 1,345 | 1,425 |
| 1958 <u>b/</u> | 73 | 294 | 5,805 | 6,172 |

Table XIII (continued)

| Country and year | Motor spirits | Kerosene | Heavy oils ^{a/} | Total, major products |
|---|------------------|----------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| <u>Lebanon:</u> | | | | |
| 1950 | 98 | 61 | 235 | 394 |
| 1954 | 112 | 66 | 330 | 508 |
| 1955 | 158 | 83 | 604 | 845 |
| 1956 | 177 | 95 | 663 | 935 |
| 1957 | 179 | 107 | 731 | 1,017 |
| 1958 <u>b/</u> | 118 | 77 | 546 | 741 |
| 1959 | 115 | 65 | 520 | 700 |
| <u>Saudi Arabia:</u> | | | | |
| 1950 | 982 | 380 | 3,598 | 4,960 |
| 1954 | 1,494 | 1,087 | 7,905 | 10,486 |
| 1955 | 1,305 | 984 | 7,446 | 9,735 |
| 1956 | 1,279 | 775 | 7,430 | 9,484 |
| 1957 | 1,048 | 902 | 7,259 | 9,209 |
| 1958 <u>b/</u> | 882 | 1,083 | 5,889 | 7,854 |
| <u>Turkey:</u> | | | | |
| 1950 | 1 | - | 4 | 5 |
| 1954 | 1 | - | 4 | 5 |
| 1955 | 4 | - | 60 | 64 |
| 1956 | 52 | - | 184 | 236 |
| 1957 | 62 | - | 173 | 235 |
| 1958 <u>b/</u> | 66 | - | 192 | 258 |
| <u>UAR (Egypt):</u> | | | | |
| 1950 | 200 | 151 | 1,760 | 2,111 |
| 1954 | 224 | 220 | 1,427 | 1,871 |
| 1955 | 259 | 253 | 1,972 | 2,484 |
| 1956 | 262 | 236 | 1,988 | 2,486 |
| 1957 | 289 | 277 | 2,428 | 2,994 |
| 1958 <u>b/</u> | 331 | 295 | 2,391 | 3,017 |
| <u>Middle East total</u> (millions of tons): | | | | |
| 1950 | 7.6 | 3.8 | 28.1 | 39.5 |
| 1954 | 5.0 | 3.3 | 21.5 | 29.8 |
| 1955 | 5.9 | 5.4 | 26.9 | 37.1 |
| 1956 | 6.7 | 4.8 | 30.5 | 42.0 |
| 1957 | 6.6 | 5.3 | 33.4 | 45.3 |
| 1958 <u>b/</u> | 6.8 | 6.2 | 36.2 | 49.2 |
| <u>World total</u> (millions of tons): | | | | |
| 1950 <u>c/</u> | 145.0 | 27.4 | 243.6 | 416.0 |
| 1954 <u>d/</u> | 189.5 | 40.7 | 318.3 | 548.5 |
| 1955 <u>d/</u> | 205.9 | 44.3 | 351.4 | 601.6 |
| 1956 <u>d/</u> | 217.9 | 48.4 | 384.7 | 651.0 |
| 1957 <u>d/</u> | 221.4 | 47.8 | 396.6 | 665.8 |
| 1958 <u>b/d/</u> | 228.5 | 52.9 | 401.9 | 683.3 |

Table XIII (continued)

| Country and year | Motor spirits | Kerosene | Heavy oils ^{a/} | Total, major products |
|--|------------------|----------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| <u>Middle East totak as per-</u> <u>centage of world total:</u> | | | | |
| 1950 | 5.2 | 13.9 | 11.5 | 9.5 |
| 1954 | 2.6 | 8.1 | 6.8 | 5.4 |
| 1955 | 2.9 | 9.9 | 7.7 | 6.2 |
| 1956 | 3.1 | 9.9 | 7.9 | 6.5 |
| 1957 | 3.0 | 11.1 | 8.4 | 6.8 |
| 1958 <u>b/</u> | 3.0 | 11.7 | 9.0 | 7.2 |

Source: United Nations, Statistical Yearbook, 1959 (sales number: 59.XVII.1);
Lebanon: Le Commerce du Levant (Beirut).

a/ Excluding lubricating oil.

b/ Preliminary figures

c/ Excluding Albania, China (mainland), Czechoslovakia, India and USSR.

d/ Excluding Albania, China (mainland), Eastern Germany, India and USSR.

Table XIV. Investments in the Middle East Petroleum Industry
(Millions of dollars, unless otherwise specified)

| Item | 1946 | 1955 | 1958 |
|--|------|-------|-------|
| <u>Gross cumulative investment</u> (end of period): | | | |
| Production | 350 | 950 | 1,500 |
| Pipelines | 115 | 590 | ... |
| Refineries | 300 | 655 | ... |
| Marketing and others | 135 | 555 | ... |
| Total gross cumulative investment | 900 | 2,750 | 3,725 |
| <u>Net cumulative investment</u> (end of period): | | | |
| Production | 265 | 575 | ... |
| Pipelines | 60 | 310 | ... |
| Refineries | 125 | 355 | ... |
| Marketing and others | 75 | 385 | ... |
| Total net cumulative investment | 525 | 1,625 | 2,100 |

Source: The Chase Manhattan Bank, Investment Patterns in the World Petroleum Industry, December 1956, and Capital Investments by the World Petroleum Industry, November 1959 (New York).

Table XV. Direct Payments by Petroleum Companies to Governments, by Country
(Millions of dollars)

| Year | Bahrain | Iran | Iraq | Kuwait | Qatar | Saudi Arabia | Total |
|----------------|---------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-------|
| 1948 | 1 | 37 ^{a/} | 10 | 12 ^{b/} | - | 32 | 92 |
| 1949 | 1 | 50 ^{a/} | 8 | 12 | - | 66 ^{c/} | 137 |
| 1950 | 2 | 45 ^{a/} | 15 | 12 | 1 | 113 | 188 |
| 1951 | 3 | 23 ^{a/} | 39 ^{d/} | 18 | 4 | 165 | 252 |
| 1952 | 4 | - | 112 ^{d/} | 57 | 10 | 212 | 395 |
| 1953 | 5 | - | 144 | 169 | 18 | 226 | 562 |
| 1954 | 11 | 9 | 191 | 194 | 30 | 281 | 716 |
| 1955 | 9 | 91 | 206 | 282 | 35 | 275 | 898 |
| 1956 | 10 | 153 | 193 ^{e/} | 293 | 36 | 283 | 968 |
| 1957 | 10 | 213 | 144 ^{e/} | 308 | 45 | 303 | 1,023 |
| 1958 | 12 | 272 ^{f/} | 237 ^{g/} | 354 | 61 ^{h/} | 302 | 1,238 |
| 1959 | 13 | 258 | 252 | 345 | 53 | 315 | 1,236 |

Source: Bahrain: 1948, 1949 and 1957-1959, estimates based on the volume of output and rate of direct payments to the Government; 1950-1956, "A Special Study on Middle East Oil", The Banker (London), November 1956. Iran: 1948-1951, Anglo-Iranian Oil Company, Ltd., Annual Report and Accounts, 1949, 1950 and 1951 (London); 1954-1958, data from the National Iranian Oil Company; 1959, Middle East Economic Digest (London), 5 February 1960. Iraq: 1948-1950, United Nations, Review of Economic Conditions in the Middle East; 1951-1958, data from the Asiatic Petroleum Corporation, New York; 1959, Petroleum Press Service, January 1960. Kuwait: including payments by the Kuwait Oil Company and the American Independent Oil Company. The data have been obtained from the respective companies, except those for 1959, which have been estimated. Qatar: data obtained from the Qatar Petroleum Company, except those for 1959, which have been estimated. Saudi Arabia: including payments by the Arabian American Oil Company and the Pacific Western Oil Corporation; 1948, 1949 and 1959 estimates based on the volume of output and rates of direct payments to Governments; 1950-1958, data obtained from the Department of Petroleum and Mineral Affairs of Saudi Arabia, except for payments by the Pacific Western Oil Corporation for the period 1950-1955, which have been estimated.

- a/ Payments by the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company under the 1933 petroleum agreement.
- b/ Including \$7.5 million bonus paid by the American Independent Oil Company.
- c/ Including \$9.5 million bonus paid by the Pacific Western Oil Corporation.
- d/ Including \$21 million paid by the oil companies in settlement of previous claims.
- e/ Including \$7 million in settlement of previous claims.
- f/ Including \$25 million bonus paid by the Pan American Oil Company to the Iranian Government.
- g/ Including \$12.6 million in settlement of previous claims.
- h/ Including \$3.3 million in settlement of previous claims.

Table XVI. Revenue from Oil Transport of the Middle East, by Country
(Millions of dollars)

| Year | Syria ^{a/} | Egypt ^{b/} | Lebanon ^{c/} | Jordan ^{d/} |
|----------------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| 1950 | 0.4 | 9.5 | 0.1 | 0.3 |
| 1951 | 0.6 | 11.5 | 0.3 | 0.6 |
| 1952 | 0.7 | 10.6 | 1.4 | 1.4 |
| 1953 | 3.6 | 10.1 | 0.7 | 1.0 |
| 1954 | 2.2 | 12.9 | 1.1 | 1.0 |
| 1955 | 2.9 | 17.6 | 2.4 | 1.0 |
| 1956 | 15.8 | ... | 1.4 | 1.0 |
| 1957 | 9.1 | 48.0 | 1.4 | 1.0 |
| 1958 | 15.5 | 84.1 | 1.3 | 1.0 |
| 1959 | 17.8 | 87.0 | 3.8 ^{e/} | 1.0 |

Source: Estimate of the United Nations Resources and Transport Branch.

- ^{a/} Syrian pounds converted to dollars at the rate of 3.8 to the dollar for 1950 to 1952 and 3.6 thereafter.
- ^{b/} 1950-1955, total annual payments to Egyptian Government by Suez Canal Company. 1957-1959, estimated receipts from dues on total net tonnage of tankers passing through the Suez Canal.
- ^{c/} Lebanese pounds converted to dollars at the rate of 3.7 to the dollar for 1950 to 1952 and 3.2 thereafter.
- ^{d/} Royalties on transit of oil in pipelines; figures for 1954 and 1955 are budget estimates.
- ^{e/} Oil transit revenue accrues to Lebanon from Iraq Petroleum Company (IPC) a Tapline operations. A new agreement was negotiated with IPC in 1959. Under this agreement yearly payments to Lebanon, at the present transit and loading rate of 7.5 million tons a year, have been increased from \$1,040 million to \$3,458 million. In addition, arrears have been granted in a lump sum of \$16,388 million. The Tapline agreement, yielding about \$390,000 in 1958 and in 1959, is expected to be renegotiated soon.

Table XVII. Production, Consumption and Exports of Crude and Refined Petroleum
in the Middle East a/
(Millions of tons)

| Item | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 |
|--|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| <u>Crude petroleum</u> | | | | |
| Production | 162.60 | 172.61 | 177.69 | 214.39 |
| Crude runs to stills | 39.41 | 44.19 | 46.83 | 51.15 |
| Net exports | 121.87 | 128.05 | 129.23 | 161.93 |
| Stock changes and losses | 1.32 | 0.37 | 1.63 | 1.33 |
| <u>Major refined petroleum products</u> | | | | |
| Production: | | | | |
| Gasoline | 5.93 | 6.66 | 6.61 | 6.69 |
| Kerosene | 4.41 | 4.89 | 5.32 | 6.38 |
| Distillate fuel oil | 6.82 | 7.81 | 8.40 | 10.72 |
| Residual fuel oil | 20.32 | 22.82 | 25.13 | 26.26 |
| Total | 37.48 | 42.18 | 45.46 | 50.05 |
| Domestic consumption <u>b/</u> | 11.50 | 12.45 | 13.41 | 14.27 |
| Bunkering in Middle East ports . | 8.97 | 9.37 | 9.89 | 11.43 |
| Net exports and stock changes . | 17.01 | 20.36 | 22.16 | 24.35 |

Source: United Nations, World Energy Supplies, 1955-1958; United States Bureau of Mines, World Petroleum Statistics (Washington, D.C.).

a/ Middle East comprises the Arabian Peninsula, Bahrain, Cyprus, Iran, Iraq, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, Turkey and the United Arab Republic.

b/ Including consumption in petroleum refineries.

Table XVIII. Direction of Crude Petroleum Exports from the Middle East,
by Country, and from the Caribbean Area

(Thousands of tons)

| Region and Year | Iran | Iraq | Kuwait ^{a/} | Qatar | Saudi Arabia | Total, Middle East | Caribbean area |
|----------------------------|--------|--------|----------------------|-------|--------------|--------------------|----------------|
| <u>North America:</u> | | | | | | | |
| 1955 | 420 | 1,020 | 8,760 | 710 | 4,570 | 15,470 | 32,910 |
| 1956 | 830 | 1,390 | 8,840 | 780 | 4,640 | 16,470 | 38,200 |
| 1957 | 700 | 750 | 10,330 | 290 | 2,440 | 14,520 | 42,920 |
| 1958 | 800 | 1,150 | 13,540 | 1,170 | 4,630 | 21,290 | 36,630 |
| <u>Other America:</u> | | | | | | | |
| 1955 | - | - | 2,500 | 130 | 670 | 3,300 | 51,210 |
| 1956 | - | - | 3,060 | - | 890 | 3,950 | 54,680 |
| 1957 | - | - | 3,440 | - | 870 | 4,310 | 54,450 |
| 1958 | - | - | 3,370 | - | 1,580 | 4,990 | 54,110 |
| <u>Western Europe:</u> | | | | | | | |
| 1955 | 3,950 | 27,460 | 35,250 | 3,410 | 16,410 | 86,700 | 10,410 |
| 1956 | 7,900 | 23,480 | 33,920 | 3,820 | 17,190 | 86,410 | 13,580 |
| 1957 | 9,100 | 13,510 | 35,670 | 4,210 | 20,600 | 83,210 | 18,650 |
| 1958 | 15,680 | 27,000 | 42,700 | 4,100 | 19,300 | 109,900 | 14,770 |
| <u>Middle East:</u> | | | | | | | |
| 1955 | 180 | 670 | 4,300 | 400 | 9,340 | 14,900 | 70 |
| 1956 | 800 | 1,270 | 3,800 | 300 | 8,520 | 14,700 | 60 |
| 1957 | 3,210 | 1,730 | 2,030 | 300 | 7,270 | 14,550 | 180 |
| 1958 | 2,300 | 2,270 | 1,230 | 500 | 7,320 | 13,630 | 100 |
| <u>Far East:</u> | | | | | | | |
| 1955 | 1,890 | 2,930 | 2,000 | 330 | 4,930 | 12,100 | - |
| 1956 | 2,580 | 3,450 | 3,270 | 160 | 6,040 | 15,500 | - |
| 1957 | 4,030 | 4,160 | 5,320 | 510 | 6,410 | 20,440 | - |
| 1958 | 2,300 | 3,230 | 5,390 | 270 | 7,100 | 18,300 | 10 |
| <u>Oceania and Africa:</u> | | | | | | | |
| 1955 | 1,780 | 10 | 1,000 | 350 | 1,340 | 4,480 | 130 |
| 1956 | 2,040 | 10 | 2,190 | 670 | 1,490 | 6,400 | 20 |
| 1957 | 1,660 | 10 | 1,860 | 1,250 | 1,490 | 6,310 | 120 |
| 1958 | 3,060 | 10 | 840 | 2,000 | 1,800 | 7,700 | 70 |
| <u>World total:</u> | | | | | | | |
| 1955 | 8,330 | 32,150 | 54,030 | 5,350 | 37,470 | 137,600 | 95,440 |
| 1956 | 14,320 | 29,630 | 55,080 | 5,760 | 38,760 | 143,750 | 107,460 |
| 1957 | 19,200 | 20,250 | 58,660 | 6,560 | 39,130 | 144,100 | 116,520 |
| 1958 | 24,200 | 33,740 | 67,180 | 8,150 | 41,740 | 176,210 | 105,840 |

Source: United Nations, World Energy Supplies, 1955-1958.

^{a/} Includes exports of the Neutral Zone.

Table XIX. Consumption of Major Refined Petroleum Products, ^{a/} by Country
(Thousands of tons)

| Country | 1950 | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | 1959 |
|------------------------------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| Aden, Bahrain, Kuwait, Qatar . . . | 70 | (175) | (220) | (280) | (320) | ... |
| Cyprus | 85 | 150 | 240 | 350 | 300 | ... |
| Iran | 880 | 1,685 | 1,870 | 2,055 | 2,315 | 2,830 |
| Iraq | 585 | 1,100 | 1,125 | 1,185 | 1,265 | ... |
| Israel | 655 | 1,320 | 1,340 | 1,395 | 1,490 | ... |
| Jordan | 55 | 110 | 130 | 140 | 150 | ... |
| Lebanon | 225 | 415 | 450 | 500 | 480 | ... |
| Saudi Arabia | 70 | 245 | 310 | 350 | 390 | ... |
| Turkey | 448 | 1,086 | 1,082 | 1,240 | 1,356 | ... |
| UAR (Egypt) | 2,940 | 3,650 | 3,520 | 3,640 | 3,890 | ... |
| UAR (Syria) | 230 | 490 | 600 | 590 | 640 | ... |
| Total | 6,293 | 10,426 | 10,887 | 11,725 | 12,596 | |

Source: United Nations, Economic Developments in the Middle East, 1955-1956 (sales number: 1957.II.C.2) and World Energy Supplies, 1955-1958; National Iranian Oil Company (Tehran); Ministry of Economics, Statistical Abstracts (Baghdad); Israel Government Yearbook, 1958 (Jerusalem, 1959); Mobil Oil Lebanon, Inc. (Beirut); Aramco, 1958 Report of Operations to the Saudi Arab Government by the Arabian American Oil Company (Dhahran, 1959); Petroleum Press Service, June 1959; General Directorate of Highways Planning Division, Turkish Highways Statistical Bulletin, 1958 (Ankara, 1959); United States Bureau of Mines, World Petroleum Statistics; The International Oilman (Fort Worth, Texas), March 1960.

Note: Figures in parentheses are partly estimated.

^{a/} Excluding consumption in petroleum refineries and bunkering. Refined products include gasoline, kerosene, distillate fuel oil and residual fuel oil.

Table XX. Consumption of Commercial Sources of Energy,^{a/} by Country
(Thousands of tons of coal equivalent)

| | 1951 | 1952 | 1953 | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 |
|------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Aden | 70 | 90 | 70 | 190 | 70 | 80 | 100 | 70 |
| Bahrain | 560 | 600 | 650 | 690 | 680 | 700 | 730 | 720 |
| Cyprus | 130 | 150 | 180 | 220 | 230 | 370 | 520 | 450 |
| Iran | 3,040 | 1,880 | 1,780 | 2,370 | 2,910 | 3,380 | 3,760 | 3,990 |
| Iraq | 980 | 1,110 | 1,270 | 1,320 | 1,630 | 2,140 | 2,300 | 2,610 |
| Israel | 1,260 | 1,490 | 1,510 | 1,640 | 1,970 | 1,930 | 2,060 | 2,250 |
| Jordan | 80 | 90 | 100 | 110 | 160 | 200 | 210 | 220 |
| Kuwait | 220 | 250 | 270 | 310 | 330 | 470 | 410 | 850 |
| Lebanon | 400 | 430 | 460 | 540 | 680 | 760 | 830 | 780 |
| Neutral Zone | .. | .. | .. | .. | 30 | 30 | 30 | 120 |
| Qatar | .. | .. | .. | .. | 70 | 70 | 70 | 70 |
| Saudi Arabia | 720 | 820 | 980 | 1,060 | 1,110 | 1,180 | 1,160 | 1,150 |
| Turkey | 4,080 ^{b/} | 4,480 ^{b/} | 5,410 ^{b/} | 5,530 ^{b/} | 5,410 | 5,730 | 6,510 | 6,390 |
| UAR (Egypt) | 4,840 | 5,010 | 4,730 | 5,290 | 5,600 | 5,370 | 5,640 | 6,150 |
| UAR (Syria) | 400 | 530 | 580 | 710 | 740 | 900 | 890 | 960 |
| Total | 16,780 ^{c/} | 16,930 ^{c/} | 17,990 ^{c/} | 19,980 ^{c/} | 21,620 | 23,310 | 25,220 | 26,780 |

Source: United Nations, World Energy Supplies, 1955-1958 and
World Energy Supplies, 1951-1954 (sales number: 1957.XVII.3)

a/ Coal, lignite, liquid fuels and hydro-power.

b/ Revised data.

c/ Excluding consumption of Qatar and Neutral Zone.

Table XXI. Railway Freight Traffic, Selected Countries

| Item and country | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | 1958 (first half) | 1959 |
|---------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|----------------------|-------|
| <u>Net ton-kilometres (millions):</u> | | | | | | | |
| Iran | 1,187 | 1,251 | 1,351 | 1,498 | 1,452 | 728 | 974 |
| Iraq a/. | 843 | 837 | 766 | 909 | ... | ... | ... |
| Israel b/. | 124 | 131 | 162 | 230 | 203 | 106 | 115 |
| Lebanon | 42 | 44 | 41 | 43 | 26 | 17 | 15 |
| Turkey | 3,792 | 3,973 | 4,439 | 4,944 | 5,064 | 2,418 | 2,340 |
| UAR (Egypt) c/. | 1,463 | 1,647 | 1,616 | 1,658 | ... | ... | ... |
| UAR (Syria) | 139 | 124 | 152 | 156 | 90 | 48 | 45 |
| <u>Tons carried (thousands):</u> | | | | | | | |
| Iran | 2,140 | 2,377 | 2,494 | 2,964 | 2,808 | 1,447 | 1,539 |
| Iraq a/. | 2,664 | 3,000 | 2,780 | 2,851 | ... | ... | ... |
| Israel b/. | 1,312 | 1,324 | 1,476 | 1,832 | 1,622 | 853 | 1,025 |
| Lebanon | 555 | 645 | 700 | 733 | 420 | 274 | 234 |
| Turkey | 10,859 | 12,012 | 13,678 | 15,253 | 15,576 | 6,763 | 6,448 |
| UAR (Egypt) c/. | 5,805 | 6,575 | 6,311 | 6,298 | ... | ... | ... |
| UAR (Syria) | 939 | 997 | 1,114 | 1,193 | 643 | ... | 330 |

Source: United Nations, Monthly Bulletin of Statistics, June 1959 and March 1960; Iraq: Statistical Abstract, 1958; UAR (Egypt): Department of Statistics and Census, Pocket Yearbook of Statistics, 1957 (Cairo, 1958); UAR (Syria): Statistical Abstract, 1958.

a/ Twelve months beginning 1 April of year stated.

b/ Including revenue service traffic.

c/ Twelve months ending 30 June.

Table XXII. Railway Passenger Traffic, Selected Countries

| Country and year | Number of passengers (thousands) | Passenger-kilometres (millions) |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| <u>Iran:</u> ^{a/} | | |
| 1954 | 1,795 | 443 |
| 1955 | 1,738 | 438 |
| 1956 | 1,725 | 442 |
| 1957 | 2,688 | 996 |
| 1958 | 3,982 | 1,588 |
| <u>Iraq:</u> ^{b/} | | |
| 1954 | 3,405 | 570 |
| 1955 | 3,733 | 676 |
| 1956 | 3,323 | 605 |
| 1957 | 3,547 | 658 |
| 1958 | ... | ... |
| <u>Israel:</u> | | |
| 1954 | 2,934 | 200 |
| 1955 | 3,254 | 234 |
| 1956 | 4,122 | 318 |
| 1957 | 4,661 | 335 |
| 1958 | 4,777 | 349 |
| <u>Lebanon:</u> | | |
| 1954 | 93 | 8 |
| 1955 | 89 | 7 |
| 1956 | 104 | 5 |
| 1957 | 118 | 5 |
| 1958 | 65 | 3 |
| <u>Turkey:</u> | | |
| 1954 | 61,968 | 3,893 |
| 1955 | 57,300 | 3,917 |
| 1956 | 67,500 | 4,480 |
| 1957 | 84,576 | 5,041 |
| 1958 | 92,484 | 5,107 |
| <u>UAR (Egypt):</u> ^{c/} | | |
| 1954 | 80,300 | 3,263 |
| 1955 | 86,300 | 3,577 |
| 1956 | 88,700 | 4,287 |
| 1957 | 86,500 | 4,165 |
| 1958 | ... | ... |
| <u>UAR (Syria):</u> | | |
| 1954 | ... | 48 |
| 1955 | ... | 47 |
| 1956 | ... | 51 |
| 1957 | ... | 46 |
| 1958 | ... | 42 |

Source: Statistical Office of the United Nations; Iran: Railroad Administration, General Statistics and Activities (Tehran, 1959) (in Persian); Iraq: Statistical Abstract, 1958; Israel: Statistical Abstract of Israel, 1958/59; Lebanon: Bulletin statistique trimestriel; Turkey: Central Statistical Office, Monthly Bulletin of Statistics; UAR (Egypt): Department of Statistics and Census, Pocket Yearbook of Statistics, 1957.

a/ Twelve months beginning 20-22 March of year stated.

b/ Twelve months beginning 1 April of year stated.

c/ Twelve months ending 30 June of year stated. State Railways only. 1954-1955 excluding suburban traffic.

Table XXIII. International Seaborne Shipping, Selected Countries
(Thousands of tons)

| Item and country | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | 1959 |
|---------------------------------|-------|--------|--------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| <u>Goods loaded:</u> | | | | | | |
| Cyprus | 1,245 | 1,331 | 1,399 | 1,430 | 1,457 | 1,415 |
| Iran <u>a/</u> | 3,505 | 14,387 | 28,754 | 20,226 | ... | ... |
| Iraq <u>b/</u> | 747 | 561 | 476 | 356 | 473 | ... |
| Israel | 616 | 627 | 717 | 842 | 779 | 1,001 ^{c/} |
| Lebanon <u>d/</u> | 376 | 405 | 442 | 493 | 331 | 328 |
| Turkey <u>e/</u> | 2,215 | 1,974 | 2,384 | 2,031 | 2,238 | 2,582 ^{f/} |
| UAR (Egypt) <u>g/</u> | 2,722 | 2,812 | 2,421 | 2,158 | 4,967 | 3,677 ^{h/} |
| UAR (Syria) <u>i/</u> | 670 | 248 | 566 | 719 | 484 | 205 |
| <u>Goods unloaded:</u> | | | | | | |
| Cyprus | 463 | 712 | 882 | 726 | 702 | 736 |
| Iran <u>a/</u> | 782 | 1,071 | 1,196 | 1,004 | ... | ... |
| Iraq <u>b/</u> | 475 | 727 | 659 | 668 | 651 | ... |
| Israel | 2,639 | 2,996 | 2,748 | 1,562 ^{j/} | 1,641 ^{j/} | 1,730 ^{c/j/} |
| Lebanon <u>d/</u> | 1,129 | 1,482 | 1,517 | 1,525 | 1,097 | 1,336 ^{f/} |
| Turkey | 2,595 | 3,443 | 2,435 | 3,122 | 2,183 | 1,666 ^{h/} |
| UAR (Egypt) <u>g/</u> | 4,760 | 5,031 | 4,944 | 5,055 | 6,152 | 3,691 ^{h/} |
| UAR (Syria) <u>i/</u> | 208 | 283 | 345 | 343 | 615 | 826 |

Source: United Nations, Statistical Yearbook, 1959 and Monthly Bulletin of Statistics, April 1960; Cyprus: Statistical Summary (Nicosia); UAR (Syria): Statistical Abstract, 1958 and Bureau des documentations arabes, Etude mensuelle sur la vie économique et financière de la R.A.U. et des pays arabes (Damascus), No. 7218, January 1960.

- a/ Twelve months, beginning 21 March of year stated.
- b/ Twelve months, beginning 1 April; excluding tankers and petroleum.
- c/ Eleven months.
- d/ Including coastwise shipping; excluding livestock; port of Beirut only.
- e/ Excluding timber and livestock.
- f/ First nine months.
- g/ Beginning 1958, excluding trade with Syria.
- h/ Nine months January-May and August-November.
- i/ Port of Latakia only.
- j/ Excluding petroleum.

Table XXIV. Number of Motor Vehicles in Use
(Thousands; end of year stated)

| Country and item | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | 1959 |
|------------------------------------|------|-------------------|------|------|------|-------|
| <u>Arab States:</u> ^{a/} | | | | | | |
| Total (cars, trucks and buses) . . | 33.2 | 42.6 | 56.0 | 60.0 | 60.0 | 69.6 |
| Cars | 13.9 | 17.9 | 24.8 | 20.0 | 20.0 | 39.6 |
| Trucks | 19.3 | 23.9 | 31.2 | 40.0 | 40.0 | 30.0 |
| Buses | b/ | 0.8 | b/ | b/ | b/ | b/ |
| Motor cycles | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.1 | - | - | - |
| <u>Cyprus:</u> | | | | | | |
| Total (cars, trucks and buses) . . | 12.9 | 16.2 | 20.8 | 26.4 | 27.7 | 30.8 |
| Cars | 8.0 | 10.2 | 14.0 | 18.3 | 20.2 | 24.4 |
| Trucks | 4.9 | 6.0 | 6.8 | 8.1 | 7.5 | 6.4 |
| Buses | b/ | b/ | b/ | b/ | b/ | b/ |
| Motor cycles | 4.0 | 5.4 ^{c/} | 6.3 | 7.7 | 7.7 | 7.9 |
| <u>Iran:</u> | | | | | | |
| Total (cars, trucks and buses) . . | 46.7 | 53.7 | 67.4 | 73.0 | 97.8 | 101.8 |
| Cars | 17.0 | 29.1 | 39.6 | 44.5 | 63.0 | 66.2 |
| Trucks | 26.5 | 18.8 | 21.3 | 21.9 | 27.8 | 28.5 |
| Buses | 3.2 | 5.8 | 6.5 | 6.6 | 7.0 | 7.1 |
| Motor cycles | 2.3 | 3.2 | 3.4 | 4.5 | 6.1 | 7.5 |
| <u>Iraq:</u> | | | | | | |
| Total (cars, trucks and buses) . . | 23.9 | 29.9 | 37.8 | 40.3 | 41.5 | 45.8 |
| Cars | 18.8 | 16.4 | 23.8 | 25.9 | 26.5 | 30.1 |
| Trucks | 9.8 | 10.3 | 10.5 | 10.9 | 11.5 | 12.2 |
| Buses | 0.3 | 3.2 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 3.5 |
| Motor cycles | 0.5 | 2.0 | 7.5 | 7.6 | 7.6 | 8.0 |
| <u>Israel:</u> | | | | | | |
| Total (cars, trucks and buses) . . | 35.4 | 38.3 | 43.2 | 43.0 | 46.4 | 53.1 |
| Cars | 16.2 | 17.7 | 21.0 | 20.6 | 23.0 | 26.7 |
| Trucks | 17.4 | 18.7 | 20.3 | 20.2 | 21.0 | 22.8 |
| Buses | 1.8 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 2.2 | 2.4 | 3.6 |
| Motor cycles | 10.7 | 9.5 | 12.7 | 10.3 | 14.2 | 19.4 |
| <u>Jordan:</u> | | | | | | |
| Total (cars, trucks and buses) . . | 6.9 | 7.5 | 9.3 | 9.6 | 9.6 | 9.6 |
| Cars | 3.2 | 3.6 | 5.2 | 5.6 | 5.6 | 5.6 |
| Trucks | 3.0 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.2 |
| Buses | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.8 |
| Motor cycles | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.5 |
| <u>Lebanon:</u> | | | | | | |
| Total (cars, trucks and buses) . . | 24.3 | 28.4 | 33.1 | 38.2 | 42.1 | 45.5 |
| Cars | 19.3 | 22.4 | 27.0 | 31.4 | 34.7 | 37.8 |
| Trucks | 4.2 | 5.1 | 4.8 | 5.3 | 5.8 | 6.4 |
| Buses | 0.9 | 0.9 | 1.3 | 1.5 | 1.6 | 1.3 |
| Motor cycles | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 3.1 | 3.3 | 3.9 |

Table XXIV (continued)

| Country and item | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | 1959 |
|------------------------------------|------|--------------------|------|-------|-------|-------|
| <u>Turkey:</u> | | | | | | |
| Total (cars, trucks and buses) . . | 67.3 | 63.9 | 71.3 | 79.1 | 82.0 | 87.0 |
| Cars | 32.9 | 28.9 | 30.0 | 31.5 | 36.8 | 39.0 |
| Trucks | 29.2 | 35.0 | 34.5 | 47.6 | 36.9 | 39.4 |
| Buses | 5.2 | - | 6.8 | b/ | 8.3 | 8.6 |
| Motor cycles | 9.5 | 10.6 | 10.1 | 10.1 | 9.7 | 10.0 |
| <u>UAR (Egypt):</u> | | | | | | |
| Total (cars, trucks and buses) . . | 90.8 | 95.9 ^{d/} | 98.1 | 104.0 | 100.5 | 104.7 |
| Cars | 69.9 | 71.7 | 73.7 | 75.0 | 72.0 | 75.5 |
| Trucks | 16.4 | 18.2 | 18.7 | 23.0 | 22.0 | 22.7 |
| Buses | 4.5 | 5.6 | 5.7 | 6.0 | 6.5 | 6.5 |
| Motor cycles | 10.7 | 12.0 | 13.3 | 13.3 | 19.4 | 20.2 |
| <u>UAR (Syria):</u> | | | | | | |
| Total (cars, trucks and buses) . . | 19.2 | 23.9 | 27.3 | 22.7 | 21.6 | 22.6 |
| Cars | 9.9 | 12.4 | 14.1 | 12.9 | 12.3 | 12.9 |
| Trucks | 7.8 | 9.9 | 11.5 | 8.5 | 8.1 | 8.5 |
| Buses | 1.5 | 1.6 | 1.7 | 1.3 | 1.2 | 1.2 |
| Motor cycles | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 2.0 | 1.9 | 2.1 |

Source: The American Automobile (McGraw-Hill, New York); United States State Department and other official country sources.

a/ Comprising Saudi Arabia, Aden, Kuwait, Bahrain, Dubai and Sharjah (Persian Gulf).

b/ Buses included in figures for trucks.

c/ Including scooters or powered bicycles, or both.

d/ Including some military vehicles.

Table XXV. Civil Aviation Revenue Traffic, by Country
(Thousands)

| Traffic item and year | Aden | Bahrain ^{a/} | Cyprus | Iran ^{b/} | Iraq | Israel ^{c/} | Jordan ^{a/} | Kuwait ^{a/} | Lebanon | Saudi Arabia ^{a/} | Turkey | United Arab Republic Egypt | Syria ^{a/} | Total |
|--|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---------|----------------------------|---------|-------------------------------|---------------------|-----------|
| Kilometres flown: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1952 | 1,465 | 280 | 1,749 | 1,156 | 1,024 | 3,703 | 925 | - | 2,726 | 1,775 | 2,986 | 4,001 | 185 | 21,973 |
| 1955 | 1,730 | 350 | 2,104 | 3,440 ^{a/} | 1,380 | 4,237 | 1,190 | 750 | 4,514 | 1,800 | 4,293 | 3,213 | 1,350 | 30,551 |
| 1956 | 2,236 | 500 | 1,596 | 4,635 ^{a/} | 1,781 | 4,563 | 1,510 | 1,600 | 6,119 | 2,100 | 5,567 | 3,274 | 1,400 | 36,081 |
| 1957 | 2,130 | 600 | 1,298 | 3,498 ^{a/} | 2,382 | 4,824 | 1,005 | 2,400 | 8,956 | 2,850 | 7,028 | 3,263 | 1,200 | 41,434 |
| 1958 | 2,427 ^{a/} | 750 | 1,268 | 4,026 ^{a/} | 2,488 ^{a/} | 6,650 | 1,110 | 1,720 | 11,547 | 4,200 | 8,672 | 4,477 | 1,185 | 50,520 |
| 1959 ^{a/} | 2,306 ^{a/} | 790 | 1,646 ^{a/} | 4,230 | 2,420 ^{a/} | 8,470 | 1,270 | 2,120 | 13,860 | 4,700 | 7,870 | 6,020 | 2,370 | 58,072 |
| Percentage change, 1958 over 1955 . | 40 | 114 | -40 | 17 | 80 | 57 | -7 | 129 | 156 | 133 | 102 | 39 | -12 | 66 |
| 1959 over 1952 . | 58 | 182 | -6 | 266 | 136 | 129 | 37 | - | 408 | 165 | 164 | 50 | 1,181 | 164 |
| 1959 over 1958 . | -5 | 5 | 30 | 5 | -3 | 27 | 14 | 23 | 20 | 12 | -9 | 34 | 100 | 15 |
| Passenger-kilometres: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1952 | 15,255 | 1,500 | 21,286 | 13,889 | 10,930 | 104,051 | 2,770 | - | 34,461 | 17,770 | 46,444 | 51,566 | 2,370 | 322,292 |
| 1955 | 16,849 | 3,750 | 29,320 | 30,925 ^{a/} | 20,925 | 141,404 | 14,255 | 16,000 | 73,351 | 55,000 | 67,967 | 47,527 | 15,735 | 533,006 |
| 1956 | 21,879 | 5,500 | 19,819 | 34,075 ^{a/} | 33,117 | 141,676 | 15,680 | 30,000 | 114,540 | 65,000 | 83,485 | 56,319 | 16,240 | 637,330 |
| 1957 | 21,216 | 6,500 | 26,937 | 39,934 ^{a/} | 52,207 | 166,082 | 15,770 | 49,500 | 173,762 | 95,000 | 128,910 | 62,127 | 13,800 | 851,765 |
| 1958 | 23,683 | 7,500 | 28,938 | 41,604 ^{a/} | 48,094 ^{a/} | 278,076 | 17,350 | 52,000 | 188,946 | 104,000 | 163,219 | 97,425 | 13,889 | 1,064,614 |
| 1959 ^{a/} | 23,085 ^{a/} | 8,000 | 40,581 ^{a/} | 43,680 | 41,901 ^{a/} | 368,050 | 20,670 | 63,000 | 226,200 | 110,000 | 148,160 | 150,160 | 27,780 | 1,271,267 |
| Percentage change, 1958 over 1955 . | 41 | 100 | -2 | 35 | 130 | 97 | 22 | 225 | 158 | 89 | 140 | 105 | -12 | 100 |
| 1959 over 1952 . | 51 | 433 | 91 | 214 | 283 | 254 | 646 | - | 556 | 519 | 219 | 191 | 1,072 | 294 |
| 1959 over 1958 . | -5 | 7 | 41 | 5 | -13 | 32 | 19 | 21 | 20 | 6 | -9 | 54 | 100 | 19 |
| Cargo (ton-kilometres): | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1952 | 869 | 20 | 387 | 189 | 216 | 3,094 | 85 | - | 970 | 295 | 853 | 1,711 | 35 | 8,704 |
| 1955 | 1,287 | 50 | 560 | 605 ^{a/} | 228 | 3,035 | 175 | 500 | 2,663 | 1,000 | 1,217 | 1,165 | 130 | 12,615 |
| 1956 | 1,679 | 70 | 550 | 1,260 ^{a/} | 384 | 3,262 | 190 | 600 | 3,418 | 1,400 | 1,599 | 1,123 | 135 | 17,270 |
| 1957 | 1,753 | 85 | 543 | 2,561 ^{a/} | 589 | 3,345 | 185 | 650 | 7,423 | 2,000 | 859 | 1,047 | 120 | 21,160 |
| 1958 | 1,471 ^{a/} | 95 | 569 ^{a/} | 3,406 ^{a/} | 504 ^{a/} | 4,738 | 235 | 725 | 9,827 | 2,300 | 1,210 | 1,517 | 126 | 26,723 |
| 1959 ^{a/} | 1,461 ^{a/} | 110 | 784 ^{a/} | 3,550 | 855 ^{a/} | 7,060 | 270 | 800 | 12,000 | 2,650 | 1,200 | 2,730 | 250 | 33,720 |
| Percentage change, 1958 over 1955 . | 14 | 90 | 2 | 463 | 121 | 56 | 34 | 45 | 269 | 130 | -1 | 30 | -3 | 112 |
| 1959 over 1952 . | 68 | 450 | 103 | 1,778 | 296 | 128 | 218 | - | 1,137 | 798 | 44 | 60 | 614 | 287 |
| 1959 over 1958 . | -1 | 16 | 38 | 4 | 70 | 49 | 15 | 10 | 22 | 15 | -1 | 80 | 98 | 26 |
| Mail (ton-kilometres): | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1952 | 132 | 2 | 92 | 16 | 17 | 518 | 30 | - | 30 | 20 | 79 | 74 | 10 | 1,080 |
| 1955 | 145 | 10 | 281 | 46 ^{a/} | 21 | 508 | 55 | 35 | 77 | 75 | 93 | 92 | 45 | 1,483 |
| 1956 | 170 | 15 | 349 | 70 ^{a/} | 55 | 580 | 60 | 45 | 123 | 100 | 97 | 90 | 45 | 1,799 |
| 1957 | 97 | 20 | 323 | 70 ^{a/} | 81 | 700 | 60 | 50 | 243 | 125 | 114 | 96 | 35 | 2,023 |
| 1958 | 118 | 25 | 366 ^{a/} | 78 | 66 ^{a/} | 847 | 65 | 55 | 435 | 150 | 145 | 138 | 41 | 2,549 |
| 1959 ^{a/} | 111 ^{a/} | 30 | 423 ^{a/} | 90 | 126 ^{a/} | 1,020 | 90 | 60 | 520 | 180 | 130 | 260 | 80 | 3,120 |
| Percentage change, 1958 over 1955 . | -19 | 150 | 37 | 70 | 214 | 67 | 18 | 57 | 465 | 100 | 56 | 50 | -9 | 72 |
| 1959 over 1952 . | -16 | 1,400 | 360 | 462 | 641 | 97 | 117 | - | 1,633 | 800 | 65 | 251 | 700 | 206 |
| 1959 over 1958 . | -6 | 20 | 10 | 15 | 91 | 20 | 38 | 9 | 20 | 20 | -10 | 88 | 95 | 22 |

Source: International Civil Aviation Organization.

^{a/} Data wholly or partly estimated.
^{b/} 1955-1956: including non-scheduled traffic; provisional data.

^{c/} 1952: including non-scheduled traffic.

^{a/} Actual data.

Table XXVI. Suez Canal Traffic and Revenue

| Year | Number of transits ^{a/} | | Goods carried (millions of tons) | | Suez Canal transit dues (millions of dollars) | | | |
|--------------------|----------------------------------|-------------|-------------------------------------|------------|--|------|---------------------|------|
| | All ships | Oil tankers | Total | Southbound | Northbound | | | |
| | | | | | All cargoes | Oil | | |
| 1950 | 11,751 | 6,600 | 72.6 | 12.1 | 60.5 | 47.5 | 74.8 | 9.5 |
| 1951 | 11,694 | 5,900 | 76.8 | 17.4 | 59.3 | 42.9 | 73.3 | 11.5 |
| 1952 | 12,168 | 6,200 | 83.4 | 22.0 | 61.4 | 45.9 | 74.8 | 10.6 |
| 1953 | 12,731 | 6,500 | 90.4 | 22.5 | 67.9 | 49.4 | 80.9 | 10.1 |
| 1954 | 13,215 | 6,900 | 96.9 | 22.4 | 74.5 | 57.0 | 84.9 | 12.9 |
| 1955 | 14,666 | 8,000 | 107.5 | 20.1 | 87.4 | 66.9 | 90.1 | 17.6 |
| 1956 ^{d/} | 13,291 | 7,000 | 99.6 | 18.1 | 82.9 | 65.7 | 82.3 | ... |
| 1957 | 10,958 | 5,800 | 81.3 | 14.1 | 67.2 | 54.1 | 68.5 | ... |
| 1958 | 17,842 | 9,600 | 139.3 | 24.9 | 114.4 | 94.4 | 120.4 | ... |
| 1959 | 17,731 | 9,200 | 148.2 | 26.5 | 121.7 | 98.7 | 124.0 ^{e/} | ... |

Source: Compagnie universelle du Canal maritime de Suez, The Suez Canal (Paris, 1956), Rapport (Paris, 1955), Bulletins and Supplements, (Paris); UAR (Egypt), Suez Canal Authority, annual and monthly reports; National Bank of Egypt, Economic Bulletin, No. 3, 1959.

- ^{a/} Approximate figures to the nearest hundred.
^{b/} Suez Canal Authority after nationalization in 1956.
^{c/} Allocations and taxes paid by the Suez Canal Company to the Egyptian Government.
^{d/} No traffic passed through the Suez Canal from November 1956 to 9 April 1957.
^{e/} Estimate based on the average monthly transit dues, January to May 1959.

Table XXVII. Balance of Payments, Selected Countries
(Millions of indicated currency units)

| Country, currency and year | Goods and services | | | | Donations official and private | Capital and monetary gold | | | Net errors and omissions |
|---|--|---------------------------------------|----------|--------|---|---------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------|--------------------------------|
| | Merchan- dise and non-mone- tary gold | Trans- actions of oil sector | Services | Total | | Private capital | Official and banking capital | Total | |
| <u>Iran (US dollars):^{a/}</u> | | | | | | | | | |
| 1954 | -40.3 | 37.5 | 1.3 | -1.5 | 57.1 | ... | 3.4 | 3.4 | -59.0 |
| 1955 | -212.2 | 133.3 | -10.7 | -89.6 | 29.9 | ... | 43.5 | 43.5 | 16.2 |
| 1956 | -191.9 | 167.3 | -24.1 | -48.7 | 43.0 | ... | 48.4 | 48.4 | -42.7 |
| 1957 ^{b/} | -256.0 | 228.4 | -36.3 | -63.9 | 27.7 | 0.1 | 32.3 | 32.4 | 3.8 |
| 1958 ^{b/} | -387.9 | 316.2 | -26.2 | -97.9 | 20.1 | 0.6 | 81.4 | 82.0 | -4.2 |
| <u>Iraq (Iraqi dinars):</u> | | | | | | | | | |
| 1954 | -48.02 | 79.39 | 0.37 | 31.74 | 0.57 | 1.05 | -23.24 | -22.19 | -10.12 |
| 1955 | -74.71 | 93.72 | 1.16 | 20.17 | 1.03 | 1.44 | -22.43 | -20.99 | -0.21 |
| 1956 | -93.51 | 79.91 | 3.38 | -10.22 | 1.01 | 4.87 | -6.89 | -2.02 | 11.23 |
| 1957 ^{b/} | -97.36 | 62.21 | -3.07 | -38.22 | 0.34 | 5.77 | 33.60 | 39.37 | -1.49 |
| 1958 ^{b/} | -84.14 | 96.75 | 3.50 | 16.11 | 0.28 | 1.63 | -13.29 | -11.66 | -4.73 |
| <u>Israel (US dollars):</u> | | | | | | | | | |
| 1954 | -204.8 | - | -31.3 | -236.1 | 262.6 | 11.2 | -10.2 | 1.0 | -27.5 |
| 1955 | -244.5 | - | -38.2 | -282.7 | 210.4 | 9.3 | 65.6 | 74.9 | -2.6 |
| 1956 | -257.1 | - | -99.4 | -356.5 | 240.6 | 8.7 | 92.5 | 101.2 | 14.7 |
| 1957 ^{b/} | -292.6 | - | -44.7 | -337.3 | 242.2 | 20.2 | 65.5 | 83.7 | 11.4 |
| 1958 ^{b/} | -282.3 | - | -51.1 | -333.4 | 251.0 | 27.4 | 41.2 | 68.6 | 13.8 |
| <u>Jordan (Jordanian dinars):</u> | | | | | | | | | |
| 1954 | -15.54 | - | 2.66 | -12.88 | 14.27 | ... | -1.55 | -1.55 | 0.16 |
| 1955 | -21.69 | - | 4.39 | -17.30 | 17.09 | - | -0.36 | -0.36 | 0.57 |
| 1956 | -19.55 | - | 3.10 | -16.45 | 18.42 | 0.25 | -2.20 | -1.95 | -0.02 |
| 1957 ^{b/} | -24.39 | - | 1.17 | -23.22 | 16.89 | 0.30 | 1.59 | 1.89 | 4.44 |
| 1958 ^{b/} | -30.51 | - | 5.65 | -24.86 | 23.91 | 0.58 | -2.85 | -2.27 | 3.22 |
| <u>Turkey (US dollars):</u> | | | | | | | | | |
| 1954 | -86.5 | - | -72.6 | -159.1 | 45.3 ^{c/} | 75.7 | 27.8 | 103.5 | 10.3 |
| 1955 | -124.6 | - | -5.7 | -130.3 | 50.6 ^{c/} | 12.4 | 112.6 | 125.0 | -45.3 |
| 1956 | -53.5 | - | 31.2 | -22.3 | 89.2 | -28.6 | 25.6 | -3.0 | -63.9 |
| 1957 ^{b/} | -15.0 | - | -19.1 | -34.1 | 66.7 | -61.0 | 99.6 | 38.6 | -71.2 |
| 1958 ^{b/} | -36.4 | - | -27.5 | -63.9 | 90.6 | 54.6 | -6.6 | 48.0 | -74.7 |
| <u>UAR (Egypt) (Egyptian pounds):</u> | | | | | | | | | |
| 1954 ^{d/} | -12.0 | - | 14.2 | 2.2 | 1.4 | -5.2 | 1.8 | -3.4 | -0.2 |
| 1955 ^{d/} | -62.2 | - | 18.5 | -43.7 | 10.1 | 2.0 | 31.6 | 33.6 | - |
| 1956 ^{d/} | -73.8 | - | 23.5 | -50.3 | 11.1 | - | 39.3 | 39.3 | -0.1 |
| 1957 | -51.8 | - | 18.3 | -33.5 | 3.6 | -1.2 | 30.2 | 29.0 | 0.9 |
| 1958 | -53.2 | - | 31.6 | -21.6 | 0.6 | 1.5 | 21.8 | 23.3 | -2.3 |
| <u>UAR (Syria) (US dollars):</u> | | | | | | | | | |
| 1954 | -35.1 | - | 4.0 | -31.1 | 4.1 | 6.2 | 10.9 | 17.1 | 9.9 |
| 1955 | -57.3 | - | 23.0 | -34.3 | 3.9 | 24.2 | -7.9 | 16.3 | 14.1 |
| 1956 | -59.3 | - | 43.7 | -15.6 | 4.3 | -1.4 | 1.7 | 0.3 | 11.0 |
| 1957 | -16.9 | - | 19.5 | 2.6 | 4.5 | -2.8 | 6.1 | 3.3 | -10.4 |
| 1958 | -73.7 | - | 39.4 | -34.3 | 7.5 | -4.2 | 11.5 | 7.3 | 19.5 |

Source: International Monetary Fund, Balance of Payments Yearbook and International Financial Statistics (Washington, D.C.).

a/ Twelve months beginning 20 to 22 March of year stated.

b/ Provisional.

c/ Official donations only.

d/ Excluding transactions with the Sudan.

Table XXVIII. Official Gold and Foreign Exchange Holdings
(Millions of dollars; end of period)

| Country | 1945 | 1946 | 1947 | 1948 | 1949 | 1950 | 1951 | 1952 | 1953 | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | 1959 | Net increase (+) or decrease (-) a/ |
|----------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--|
| Iran ^{b/} | 227.0 | 239.0 | 246.0 | 273.0 | 243.0 | 252.0 | 196.0 | 177.0 | 185.0 | 186.0 | 205.0 | 290.0 | 245.0 | 258.0 | 213.0 | - 14.0 |
| Iraq ^{c/} | 176.4 | 179.5 | 157.5 | 138.9 | 98.4 | 117.8 | 113.7 | 129.4 | 180.8 | 233.3 | 294.5 | 358.5 | 261.3 | 288.4 | 296.6 | + 120.2 |
| Israel ^{d/} | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 30.5 | 7.8 | - | 4.3 | 28.6 | 51.4 | 54.5 | 50.6 | 92.4 | 117.6 | + 87.1 |
| Jordan ^{e/} | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 25.4 | 26.2 | 24.5 | 26.1 | 33.6 | 36.2 | 47.0 | 43.8 | 45.7 | 44.8 | + 19.4 |
| Kuwait ^{f/} | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 60.4 | 84.5 | 162.7 | 143.4 | 115.9 | 70.4 | ... | + 637.38/ |
| Lebanon | ... | ... | ... | 74.1 | ... | 38.5 | 39.5 | 42.2 | 55.2 | 76.1 | 86.5 | 87.8 | 98.9 | 107.0 | 124.9 | + 50.8 |
| Saudi Arabia ^{h/} | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 7.9 | 13.2 | 15.9 | 18.5 | 61.5 | 79.5 | 97.4 | 94.8 | 60.2 | 116.6 | + 108.7 |
| Turkey ^{i/} | 287.0 | 307.0 | 269.0 | 192.0 | 203.0 | 214.0 | 217.0 | 191.0 | 218.0 | 205.0 | 211.0 | 280.0 | 315.0 | 297.0 | 269.0 | - 18.0 |
| UAR (Egypt) ^{j/} | 1,461.0 | 1,428.0 | 1,410.0 | 1,408.0 | 985.0 | 979.0 | 957.0 | 752.0 | 728.0 | 732.0 | 641.0 | 566.0 | 465.0 | 429.0 | 357.0 | - 1,104.0 |
| UAR (Syria) ^{k/} | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 19.0 | 30.0 | 45.0 | 47.0 | 48.0 | 62.0 | 54.0 | 30.0 | 33.0 | + 14.0 |

Source: International Monetary Fund, International Financial Statistics, February 1952 and April 1960;

United States Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Federal Reserve Bulletin (Washington, D.C.),
April 1957 and March 1960; Kuwait, Government Budgets, Closed Accounts, 1955-1958.

a/ During the period indicated.

b/ National Bank.

c/ Central Bank.

d/ Bank of Israel.

e/ Currency Board.

f/ Budget surplus; figures are therefore net annual increases.

g/ Cumulative net increase.

h/ Short-term liabilities reported by the Second (New York) Federal Reserve District.

i/ Central Bank.

j/ National Bank.

k/ Central Bank.

Table XXIX. Official Multilateral and Bilateral Grants and Loans to Countries of the Middle East from 1 July 1945 to 30 June 1959

(Amounts utilized unless otherwise specified; millions of dollars)

| Country | International Monetary Fund (30 December 1959) | | | | International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (30 December 1959) | | United States Grants Credits | | Germany (Federal Republic) Grants Credits | | United Kingdom Grants Credits ^a | | Union of Soviet Socialist Republics Credits ^a / | | Total long-term grants and credits (5)+(5) through (11) | | Total grants credits | |
|-----------------------|--|------|------|-----|--|-----|------------------------------|-------|---|------------------|--|-------|--|-------|---|-------|----------------------|------|
| | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) | (7) | (8) | (9) | (10) | (11) | (12) | (13) | (14) | (15) | (16) | (17) | (18) |
| Iran ^{b/} | 51 | 5 | 152 | 87 | 266 | 135 | - | - | - | 27 | - | - | - | - | 580 | 266 | 314 | 246 |
| Iraq | - | - | 6 | 6 | 18 | - | - | - | - | - | 240 | - | - | - | 264 | 18 | 246 | 227 |
| Israel | 4 | - | - | - | 296 | 227 | 730 ^{c/} | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1,253 | 1,026 | 227 | 13 |
| Jordan | - | - | - | - | 137 | - | - | - | 162 | 15 ^{d/} | - | - | - | - | 312 | 299 | 27 | 27 |
| Lebanon | - | - | 27 | 6 | 60 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 87 | 60 | 5 | 5 |
| Saudi Arabia | - | - | - | - | 5 | 5 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 10 | 585 | 83 | 872 |
| Turkey ^{e/} | 73 | 35 | 61 | 59 | 585 | 161 | - | 50 | - | 10 | - | - | - | - | 867 | 955 | 714 | 150 |
| UAR (Egypt and Syria) | 33 | 27 | 56 | - | 83 | 8 | - | 123 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 714 | ... | ... | ... |
| UAR (Egypt) | (33) | (27) | (56) | - | ... | ... | - | (123) | - | - | - | - | - | - | (150) | - | - | - |
| UAR (Syria) | - | - | - | - | ... | ... | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | ... | - | - | - |
| Middle East total | 161 | 67 | 302 | 158 | 1,450 | 536 | 730 | 173 | 162 | 50 | 925 | 4,328 | 2,342 | 1,986 | | | | |

Source: International Monetary Fund, International Financial Statistics, April 1960 and data from International Bank for Reconstruction and Development; United States: United States National Advisory Council on International Monetary and Financial Problems, Semi-annual Report to the President and Congress, January-June 1959 (Washington, D.C.); Federal Republic of Germany and USSR: International Monetary Fund, International Financial News Survey (Washington, D.C.) and various other sources; United Kingdom: United States Operations Mission in Jordan and various other sources; Iran: The Treasury, List of Foreign Loans and Credits to the Iranian Government (Teheran), September 1959; Israel: 1953-1958, Don Patinkin, "The Israel Economy, the First Decade", Fourth Annual Report, 1957-1958, The Palk Project for Economic Research in Israel (Jerusalem); 1959, data obtained from the Israel Government; Turkey: Organization for European Economic Co-operation, The Work of the Conference on Technical Assistance to Turkey and on Turkish Debts (Paris, August 1959); Central Statistical Office, Monthly Bulletin of Statistics, September 1959.

Note: The above tabulation of grants and credits is not exhaustive and does not include private loans and credits or military assistance.

^{a/} Amounts shown as credits from the Federal Republic of Germany and the USSR are lines of credit extended; no up-to-date information is available on amounts so far utilized. Additional credits have been extended in 1958 and 1959 by Eastern Germany and Czechoslovakia (total, \$57 million) and by Japan and other countries (total, \$73 million). Information on credits from the Soviet Union does not always indicate the original amount in roubles; some figures shown in column 11 originate from conversions into United States dollars of amounts quoted in Middle East currencies.

^{b/} The total credits extended to the Iranian Government by both public and private foreign sources, and utilized up to September 1959, amounted to \$403 million, of which \$85 million had been paid back by 30 June 1959.

^{c/} Including reparations and personal restitutions, aggregate payments at the end of 1959.

^{d/} No distinction available between loans and grants before 1955-1956.

^{e/} The total outstanding foreign debts of the Turkish Government to foreign public and private creditors amounted to the equivalent of \$426 million at the end of 1958. The indebtedness of the Turkish Government to certain countries, such as Italy, France and other OEEC countries, as well as to the European Payments Union are not shown in this table; neither are the public loans granted to the Turkish Government under the Price Stabilization Programme of August 1958. The data do not include other public credits to the Turkish Government for which no details could be obtained.

Table XXX. Geographic Pattern of Trade, by Country
(Percentage of total trade of given country)

| Country, item and period | Total trade (millions of dollars) | Percentage distribution by trading area | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|--|---|------------------|-------------------|----------------------------------|------|---|
| | | Middle East | United States | United Kingdom | Other | | |
| | | | | | Continental western Europe | USSR | eastern Europe Other countries |
| Middle East total | | | | | | | |
| Exports: | | | | | | | |
| 1954 | 3,385.7 | 11.8 | 7.8 | 15.2 | 36.7 | 1.0 | 2.8 |
| 1955 | 3,905.4 | 12.4 | 7.9 | 12.9 | 33.1 | 1.2 | 3.5 |
| 1956 | 4,117.2 | 13.0 | 8.6 | 12.1 | 32.5 | 1.0 | 4.2 |
| 1957 | 4,418.8 | 11.9 | 8.1 | 10.8 | 30.2 | 2.8 | 4.1 |
| 1958 | 4,795.7 | 9.8 | 8.7 | 12.6 | 32.4 | 2.8 | 3.7 |
| 1958, first half | 2,413.6 | 10.2 | 9.1 | 12.8 | 31.6 | 2.9 | 4.7 |
| 1959, first half | 2,519.8 | 9.5 | 8.8 | 13.9 | 32.7 | 2.8 | 4.0 |
| Imports: | | | | | | | |
| 1954 | 2,973.8 | 15.9 | 14.5 | 16.0 | 30.1 | 0.8 | 3.5 |
| 1955 | 3,424.3 | 16.2 | 15.8 | 14.9 | 28.3 | 1.2 | 4.2 |
| 1956 | 3,486.4 | 16.7 | 16.0 | 15.3 | 28.8 | 1.4 | 4.1 |
| 1957 | 3,717.7 | 14.9 | 15.6 | 15.4 | 27.4 | 2.6 | 4.5 |
| 1958 | 3,928.3 | 13.0 | 14.9 | 14.4 | 30.0 | 2.9 | 5.5 |
| 1958, first half | 1,991.9 | 13.3 | 15.7 | 13.5 | 30.1 | 3.0 | 5.3 |
| 1959, first half | 2,061.6 | 12.2 | 14.2 | 16.6 | 30.1 | 2.9 | 4.3 |
| Aden | | | | | | | |
| Exports: | | | | | | | |
| 1954 | 125.3 | 16.8 | 1.1 | 7.3 | 6.9 | - | 67.9 |
| 1955 | 175.5 | 20.6 | 1.3 | 7.1 | 5.8 | - | 65.2 |
| 1956 | 180.5 | 19.8 | 1.5 | 11.4 | 10.4 | - | 56.9 |
| 1957 | 182.8 | 22.4 | 0.5 | 17.5 | 7.8 | - | 51.8 |
| 1958 | 177.8 | 23.2 | 1.0 | 11.2 | 8.0 | - | 56.6 |
| 1958, first half | 86.7 | 21.1 | 1.6 | 11.6 | 8.2 | - | 57.5 |
| 1959, first half | 84.6 | 22.7 | 0.8 | 11.8 | 4.7 | - | 60.0 |

Table XXX (continued)

| Country, item and period | Total trade (millions of dollars) | Percentage distribution by trading area | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|--|---|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------|---|------|
| | | Middle East | United States | United Kingdom | Continental | | | |
| | | | | | western Europe | USSR | Other eastern Europe countries | |
| Imports: | | | | | | | | |
| 1954 | 186.5 | 27.7 | 4.0 | 19.6 | 11.9 | - | 0.6 | 36.2 |
| 1955 | 209.8 | 52.5 | 0.6 | 8.7 | 6.5 | - | 0.3 | 31.6 |
| 1956 | 199.4 | 53.0 | 0.8 | 9.3 | 5.3 | - | 0.5 | 31.1 |
| 1957 | 201.4 | 52.3 | 0.7 | 11.0 | 7.2 | - | 0.5 | 28.3 |
| 1958 | 201.0 | 52.9 | 0.5 | 8.9 | 6.5 | - | 1.2 | 30.0 |
| 1958, first half | 97.0 | 50.8 | 0.7 | 9.2 | 8.2 | - | 1.9 | 29.2 |
| 1959, first half | 105.7 | 52.9 | 0.8 | 8.7 | 7.5 | - | 1.2 | 28.9 |
| Cyprus | | | | | | | | |
| Exports: | | | | | | | | |
| 1954 | 47.5 | 8.0 | 4.2 | 31.4 | 49.7 | - | 0.2 | 6.5 |
| 1955 | 51.9 | 5.6 | 4.8 | 27.2 | 57.0 | - | 1.0 | 4.4 |
| 1956 | 62.6 | 3.8 | 11.0 | 24.9 | 54.0 | 0.2 | 1.0 | 5.1 |
| 1957 | 52.9 | 6.0 | 7.8 | 27.8 | 53.9 | 1.1 | 1.3 | 2.1 |
| 1958 | 49.1 | 3.1 | 6.1 | 33.7 | 51.4 | 0.6 | 1.2 | 4.0 |
| 1958, first half | 26.0 | 2.7 | 8.8 | 36.9 | 45.8 | 0.8 | 1.5 | 3.5 |
| 1959, first half | 27.4 | 3.3 | 9.1 | 33.9 | 47.8 | - | 1.5 | 4.4 |
| Imports: | | | | | | | | |
| 1954 | 66.0 | 6.4 | 4.2 | 47.6 | 27.9 | - | 2.3 | 11.6 |
| 1955 | 85.2 | 5.7 | 4.0 | 50.0 | 26.9 | - | 1.9 | 11.5 |
| 1956 | 109.4 | 6.8 | 3.6 | 45.3 | 32.1 | - | 2.1 | 10.1 |
| 1957 | 126.4 | 4.7 | 3.3 | 46.3 | 35.6 | - | 2.2 | 7.9 |
| 1958 | 102.9 | 7.5 | 3.8 | 38.3 | 38.8 | - | 2.6 | 9.0 |
| 1958, first half | 53.2 | 6.6 | 2.4 | 45.3 | 34.8 | - | 2.6 | 8.3 |
| 1958, first half | 55.6 | 8.6 | 4.7 | 35.4 | 40.3 | - | 2.2 | 8.8 |

Cyprus

Exports:

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Table XXX (continued)

| Country, item and period | Total trade (millions of dollars) | Percentage distribution by trading area | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|--|---|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------|----------------------------|--------------------|
| | | Middle East | United States | United Kingdom | Continental | | Other eastern Europe | Other countries |
| | | | | | western Europe | USSR | | |
| Iran ^{b/} | | | | | | | | |
| Imports: | | | | | | | | |
| 1954 | 213.3 | 2.2 | 23.8 | 9.3 | 30.5 | 6.3 | 3.7 | 24.2 |
| 1955 | 278.0 | 5.8 | 19.6 | 9.7 | 31.4 | 9.1 | 2.0 | 22.4 |
| 1956 | 278.3 | 9.2 | 16.7 | 11.5 | 30.9 | 6.2 | 3.2 | 22.3 |
| 1957 | 314.1 | 3.3 | 16.5 | 13.1 | 32.0 | 8.2 | 3.2 | 23.7 |
| 1958 | 411.5 | 2.1 | 17.5 | 13.3 | 35.8 | 6.8 | 2.7 | 21.8 |
| 1958, first half | 195.0 | 3.3 | 19.0 | 10.8 | 33.3 | 6.9 | 2.3 | 24.4 |
| 1959, first half | 260.2 | 1.0 | 15.9 | 13.9 | 39.7 | 4.7 | 2.7 | 22.1 |
| Iraq | | | | | | | | |
| Exports: | | | | | | | | |
| 1954 | 487.8 | 4.3 | 1.0 | 16.4 | 68.6 | - | - | 9.7 |
| 1955 | 518.8 | 4.2 | 2.2 | 11.6 | 57.4 | - | 0.1 | 24.5 |
| 1956 | 477.7 | 6.1 | 4.4 | 6.9 | 62.3 | - | - | 20.3 |
| 1957 | 359.6 | 10.9 | 3.9 | 6.0 | 46.9 | - | - | 32.3 |
| 1958 | 567.0 | 9.4 | 4.0 | 10.6 | 53.4 | - | - | 22.6 |
| 1958, first half ^{c/} | 258.4 | 10.4 | 4.4 | 13.9 | 56.1 | - | - | 15.2 |
| 1959, first half ^{c/} | 290.9 | 7.2 | 4.1 | 14.8 | 58.5 | - | - | 15.4 |
| Imports: | | | | | | | | |
| 1954 | 203.8 | 4.6 | 14.2 | 31.2 | 25.0 | - | 1.9 | 23.1 |
| 1955 | 272.3 | 3.6 | 15.1 | 28.2 | 25.0 | - | 2.1 | 26.0 |
| 1956 | 320.7 | 4.6 | 13.8 | 28.1 | 30.3 | - | 1.9 | 21.3 |
| 1957 | 342.8 | 5.8 | 14.5 | 29.0 | 27.2 | - | 2.2 | 21.3 |
| 1958 | 307.4 | 4.6 | 13.9 | 27.5 | 31.7 | - | 1.9 | 20.4 |
| 1958, first half | 167.8 | 5.6 | 14.0 | 28.8 | 29.4 | - | 2.0 | 20.2 |
| 1959, first half | 140.3 | 4.8 | 9.1 | 33.2 | 26.1 | 0.5 | 2.7 | 23.6 |

Table XXX (continued)

| Country, item and period | Total trade (millions of dollars) | Percentage distribution by trading area | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|--|---|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------|----------------------------|--------------------|
| | | Continental | | | | USSR | Other eastern Europe | Other countries |
| | | Middle East | United States | United Kingdom | western Europe | | | |
| Israel | | | | | | | | |
| Exports: a/ | | | | | | | | |
| 1954 | 88.1 | 15.0 | 16.3 | 22.0 | 22.4 | 3.5 | 1.5 | 19.3 |
| 1955 | 90.2 | 12.9 | 18.0 | 20.2 | 23.4 | 2.0 | 1.8 | 21.7 |
| 1956 | 107.1 | 6.3 | 17.6 | 21.5 | 30.0 | 1.6 | 2.9 | 20.1 |
| 1957 | 139.6 | 8.0 | 14.5 | 20.0 | 34.5 | - | 3.6 | 19.4 |
| 1958 | 136.4 | 4.0 | 13.9 | 21.9 | 40.1 | - | 5.1 | 15.0 |
| 1958, first half | 85.9 | 3.1 | 10.0 | 26.3 | 40.5 | - | 4.8 | 15.3 |
| 1959, first half | 102.6 | 5.9 | 13.0 | 24.5 | 37.4 | - | 3.0 | 16.2 |
| Imports: | | | | | | | | |
| 1954 | 286.5 | 4.5 | 27.4 | 9.8 | 32.5 | 0.6 | 1.9 | 23.3 |
| 1955 | 325.0 | 3.9 | 28.6 | 10.3 | 32.4 | 0.1 | 1.7 | 23.1 |
| 1956 | 367.0 | 1.4 | 31.8 | 9.8 | 32.3 | 0.1 | 0.9 | 23.7 |
| 1957 | 403.3 | 1.2 | 26.9 | 10.3 | 31.4 | - | 2.1 | 28.1 |
| 1958 | 433.6 | 2.0 | 28.5 | 12.3 | 32.7 | 0.1 | 1.6 | 22.8 |
| 1958, first half | 220.0 | 1.0 | 31.7 | 11.5 | 32.3 | 0.2 | 1.8 | 21.5 |
| 1959, first half | 214.7 | 2.1 | 31.6 | 11.5 | 33.4 | - | 1.5 | 19.9 |
| Jordan | | | | | | | | |
| Exports: | | | | | | | | |
| 1954 | 7.9 | 82.3 | 1.3 | - | 1.3 | - | - | 15.1 |
| 1955 | 8.0 | 66.2 | 1.3 | - | 2.5 | - | 7.5 | 22.5 |
| 1956 | 13.9 | 70.5 | - | - | 1.4 | - | 5.8 | 22.3 |
| 1957 | 13.0 | 76.9 | 0.8 | - | 1.5 | - | 6.2 | 14.6 |
| 1958 | 8.8 | 67.0 | - | - | 1.1 | - | 10.2 | 21.7 |
| 1958, first half ^{c/} | 5.5 | 69.1 | - | - | 1.8 | - | 7.3 | 21.8 |
| 1959, first half ^{c/} | 5.1 | 66.7 | - | - | 2.0 | - | 9.8 | 21.6 |

Table XXX (continued)

| Country, item and period | Total trade (millions of dollars) | Percentage distribution by trading area | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|--|---|------------------|-------------------|----------------------------------|------|---|------|
| | | Middle East | United States | United Kingdom | Other | | | |
| | | | | | Continental western Europe | USSR | Other eastern Europe countries | |
| Imports: | | | | | | | | |
| 1954 | 55.6 | 37.8 | 9.7 | 15.5 | 22.7 | - | 3.4 | 10.9 |
| 1955 | 75.8 | 28.8 | 10.4 | 19.3 | 23.2 | - | 1.2 | 17.1 |
| 1956 | 77.9 | 33.8 | 6.7 | 19.2 | 23.4 | - | 3.2 | 13.7 |
| 1957 | 85.4 | 34.5 | 7.5 | 16.5 | 21.0 | - | 2.6 | 17.9 |
| 1958 | 95.3 | 22.6 | 8.6 | 12.4 | 27.5 | - | 5.6 | 23.3 |
| 1958, first half | 45.0 | 24.4 | 8.9 | 13.3 | 28.9 | - | 5.6 | 18.9 |
| 1959, first half ^{c/} | 54.0 | 24.1 | 7.4 | 13.0 | 27.8 | - | 5.6 | 22.1 |
| Lebanon ^{e/} | | | | | | | | |
| Exports: | | | | | | | | |
| 1954 | 32.9 | 59.9 | 6.1 | 4.0 | 18.2 | - | 2.1 | 9.7 |
| 1955 | 37.2 | 54.6 | 9.9 | 4.8 | 16.1 | 2.7 | 3.0 | 8.9 |
| 1956 | 45.3 | 49.7 | 5.1 | 6.6 | 22.7 | 2.6 | 2.2 | 11.1 |
| 1957 | 47.5 | 52.4 | 4.4 | 4.8 | 19.4 | 3.2 | 3.8 | 12.0 |
| 1958 | 34.7 | 49.3 | 5.5 | 4.0 | 17.0 | 4.0 | 3.5 | 16.7 |
| 1958, first half | 18.2 | 44.0 | 4.4 | 4.9 | 20.4 | 4.9 | 4.9 | 16.5 |
| 1959, first half | 19.3 | 47.7 | 5.7 | 4.1 | 17.1 | 4.1 | 3.6 | 17.7 |
| Imports: | | | | | | | | |
| 1954 | 221.4 | 31.8 | 14.9 | 18.1 | 26.8 | 0.1 | 2.2 | 6.2 |
| 1955 | 241.4 | 27.6 | 13.3 | 15.5 | 30.4 | 0.3 | 2.2 | 10.7 |
| 1956 | 256.1 | 32.1 | 11.4 | 12.2 | 32.8 | 0.6 | 2.9 | 8.0 |
| 1957 | 286.1 | 27.6 | 11.6 | 17.9 | 30.8 | 0.6 | 2.3 | 9.2 |
| 1958 | 236.4 | 23.3 | 12.9 | 16.8 | 33.5 | 0.5 | 2.2 | 10.8 |
| 1958, first half | 130.1 | 22.6 | 13.5 | 16.8 | 32.8 | 0.5 | 2.2 | 11.6 |
| 1959, first half | 150.0 | 13.7 | 9.4 | 39.5 | 27.3 | 0.6 | 2.0 | 7.5 |

Table XXX (continued)

Table XXX (continued)

| Country, item and period | Total trade (millions of dollars) | Percentage distribution by trading area | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|--|---|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------|----------------------------|--------------------|
| | | Middle East | United States | United Kingdom | Continental | | Other eastern Europe | Other countries |
| | | | | | western Europe | USSR | | |
| Imports: | | | | | | | | |
| 1954 | 478.3 | 7.2 | 15.0 | 8.7 | 39.6 | 0.7 | 8.7 | 20.1 |
| 1955 | 497.6 | 6.7 | 22.4 | 7.8 | 34.4 | 1.7 | 16.7 | 10.3 |
| 1956 | 407.3 | 4.5 | 21.1 | 8.2 | 41.9 | 1.3 | 13.3 | 9.7 |
| 1957 | 397.1 | 6.1 | 30.7 | 7.7 | 32.7 | 2.0 | 14.0 | 6.0 |
| 1958 | 315.1 | 5.4 | 27.9 | 7.2 | 36.9 | 2.2 | 16.0 | 4.4 |
| 1958, first half | 186.8 | 5.3 | 27.8 | 7.4 | 38.1 | 2.3 | 14.5 | 4.6 |
| 1959, first half | 201.1 | 5.6 | 17.8 | 11.3 | 47.5 | 1.8 | 7.6 | 8.4 |
| UAR (Egypt) ^{f/} | | | | | | | | |
| Exports: | | | | | | | | |
| 1954 | 413.1 | 7.5 | 4.6 | 10.1 | 36.4 | 1.3 | 9.6 | 30.5 |
| 1955 | 419.3 | 8.9 | 6.2 | 5.5 | 29.9 | 4.8 | 14.6 | 30.1 |
| 1956 | 408.8 | 11.9 | 3.3 | 3.4 | 27.3 | 3.9 | 24.2 | 26.0 |
| 1957 | 452.7 | 10.8 | 4.5 | 0.1 | 21.0 | 18.2 | 19.8 | 25.6 |
| 1958 | 470.4 | 9.4 | 2.6 | 1.1 | 17.6 | 17.5 | 21.2 | 30.6 |
| 1958, first half | 253.6 | 9.9 | 3.2 | 0.8 | 18.3 | 14.7 | 21.5 | 31.6 |
| 1959, first half | 236.3 | 7.7 | 1.7 | 2.7 | 17.0 | 24.5 | 25.0 | 21.4 |
| Imports: | | | | | | | | |
| 1954 | 472.2 | 7.8 | 10.9 | 12.7 | 45.4 | 1.4 | 4.2 | 17.6 |
| 1955 | 537.8 | 8.0 | 11.7 | 12.6 | 43.0 | 1.2 | 5.2 | 18.3 |
| 1956 | 535.4 | 7.3 | 13.4 | 11.8 | 36.2 | 4.2 | 8.0 | 19.1 |
| 1957 | 524.3 | 10.0 | 9.0 | 1.5 | 34.5 | 10.2 | 11.4 | 23.4 |
| 1958 | 684.2 | 4.1 | 7.5 | 3.4 | 37.6 | 10.9 | 15.0 | 21.5 |
| 1958, first half | 337.6 | 4.2 | 7.6 | 2.7 | 39.2 | 11.4 | 14.4 | 20.5 |
| 1959, first half | 318.0 | 4.0 | 12.6 | 7.7 | 30.3 | 12.3 | 13.6 | 19.5 |

Table XXX (continued)

| Country, item and period | Total trade (millions of dollars) | Percentage distribution by trading area | | | | | |
|--|--|---|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------|---|
| | | Middle East | United States | United Kingdom | Continental | | Other eastern Europe countries |
| | | | | | western Europe | USSR | |
| <u>UAR (Syria)^{e/f}</u> | | | | | | | |
| <u>Exports:</u> | | | | | | | |
| 1954 | 150.3 | 41.2 | 4.1 | 6.3 | 45.8 | - | 2.6 |
| 1955 | 152.3 | 37.4 | 4.5 | 8.6 | 40.7 | - | 7.7 |
| 1956 | 145.0 | 41.7 | 4.1 | 2.1 | 38.2 | 0.8 | 7.2 |
| 1957 | 153.3 | 38.0 | 3.8 | 1.1 | 35.9 | 2.2 | 10.5 |
| 1958 | 117.5 | 33.5 | 3.5 | 2.6 | 24.1 | 15.8 | 10.6 |
| 1958, first half | 69.6 | 29.3 | 0.9 | 2.3 | 25.4 | 14.4 | 14.1 |
| 1959, first half | 52.0 | 31.7 | 7.3 | 5.0 | 21.0 | 1.0 | 23.6 |
| <u>Imports:</u> | | | | | | | |
| 1954 | 186.1 | 20.5 | 12.0 | 12.0 | 40.2 | - | 12.9 |
| 1955 | 196.4 | 21.0 | 11.0 | 12.8 | 35.3 | - | 17.2 |
| 1956 | 205.0 | 27.8 | 10.6 | 11.8 | 33.2 | 0.2 | 13.0 |
| 1957 | 172.3 | 20.6 | 11.2 | 7.7 | 37.8 | 1.9 | 15.2 |
| 1958 | 204.1 | 14.4 | 8.6 | 11.3 | 39.4 | 1.8 | 14.8 |
| 1958, first half | 95.6 | 18.2 | 9.6 | 8.5 | 38.4 | 1.4 | 17.2 |
| 1959, first half | 89.6 | 14.6 | 7.8 | 8.7 | 43.1 | 4.1 | 15.4 |
| <u>Iran, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Bahrain, c/ Qatar, Neutral Zone</u> | | | | | | | |
| <u>Exports:</u> | | | | | | | |
| 1954 | 1,601.9 | 12.4 | 9.5 | 16.6 | 30.2 | 1.2 | 30.0 |
| 1955 | 2,013.9 | 13.1 | 9.4 | 14.9 | 28.3 | 0.9 | 33.3 |
| 1956 | 2,179.5 | 12.8 | 10.0 | 13.7 | 27.5 | 0.7 | 35.2 |
| 1957 | 2,494.0 | 9.8 | 7.9 | 12.6 | 29.6 | 0.8 | 39.2 |
| 1958 | 2,837.0 | 8.0 | 10.3 | 14.6 | 31.6 | 0.6 | 34.8 |
| 1958, first half | 1,382.6 | 8.8 | 10.4 | 14.2 | 31.1 | 0.8 | 34.6 |
| 1959, first half | 1,423.0 | 8.7 | 10.1 | 15.0 | 30.5 | 0.7 | 34.9 |

Table XXX (continued)

| Country, item and period | Total trade (millions of dollars) | Percentage distribution by trading area | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|--|---|------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|------|--|
| | | Middle East | United States | United Kingdom | Continent western Europe | USSR | Other eastern Europe Other countries |
| Imports: | | | | | | | |
| 1954 | 678.3 | 26.1 | 18.7 | 14.7 | 19.3 | 2.0 | 18.1 |
| 1955 | 843.0 | 22.8 | 19.2 | 13.4 | 20.0 | 3.0 | 21.0 |
| 1956 | 878.3 | 23.4 | 20.0 | 15.6 | 20.8 | 2.0 | 17.2 |
| 1957 | 998.1 | 19.3 | 18.3 | 18.8 | 21.9 | 2.6 | 18.1 |
| 1958 | 1,166.5 | 17.3 | 18.2 | 16.2 | 24.4 | 2.4 | 20.5 |
| 1958, first half | 560.0 | 18.5 | 18.5 | 14.9 | 24.0 | 2.4 | 20.9 |
| 1959, first half | 670.2 | 14.9 | 15.9 | 15.5 | 26.9 | 1.8 | 23.9 |

Source: Statistical Office of the United Nations

a/ Including ships' stores and bunkers.

b/ Excluding duty-free imports; for 1955, including gold.

c/ Estimated.

d/ National exports, excluding nationalized re-exports.

e/ Including gold.

f/ For 1958 and 1959, excluding trade between the Egyptian and Syrian regions of the United Arab Republic.

Table XXXI. Major Exports excluding Petroleum, by Country
(Weight in thousands of tons, except as indicated;
value in millions of indicated currency units)

| Country, currency and item | 1954 | | 1955 | | 1956 | | 1957 | | 1958 | | 1958 (first half) | | 1959 (first half) | |
|---|--------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|----------------------|-------|----------------------|-------|
| | Weight | Value | Weight | Value | Weight | Value | Weight | Value | Weight | Value | Weight | Value | Weight | Value |
| Cyprus: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total exports ^{a/} (pounds sterling) | 17 | | | | | | 19 | | 18 | | b/ | | 10 ^{b/} | |
| Fruits and vegetables | 5 | | | | 22 | 3.6 | ... | 3.6 | ... | 3.9 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Metalliferous ores and metal scrap | 8 | | 22.9 | 5.5 | 30.1 | 8.5 | 37.7 | 5.8 | 36.2 | 4.4 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Iran: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total exports (rials) | 10,288 | | 8,149 | | 7,951 | | 8,553 | | 7,868 | | 4,500 | | ... | ... |
| Rice | 61 | 751 | 28 | | 28 | | 5 | | ... | | ... | | ... | ... |
| Raisins, almonds and pistachio nuts | 41 | 1,092 | 44 | | 1,015 | | 51 | 1,079 | ... | | ... | | ... | ... |
| Dates, other fruits and nuts | 53 | 499 | 46 | | 304 | | 48 | | ... | | ... | | ... | ... |
| Hides and skins, raw | 7 | 443 | 7 | | 288 | | 9 | | ... | | ... | | ... | ... |
| Cotton, raw | 46 | 2,954 | 36 | | 1,677 | | 44 | 1,903 | ... | | ... | | ... | ... |
| Wool, raw | 8 | 603 | 9 | | 667 | | 9 | 555 | ... | | ... | | ... | ... |
| Carpets, woollen | 5 | 1,255 | 5 | | 1,260 | | 6 | 1,480 | ... | | ... | | ... | ... |
| Iraq: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total exports (Iraqi dinars) | 19 | | 17 | | 14 | | 13 | | 17 | | 9 | | 8 | |
| Dates | 218 | 3.5 | 250 | | 264 | | 238 | | 238 | | 83 | | 129 | |
| Barley and wheat | 519 | 9.3 | 391 | | 290 | | 199 | | 323 | | 222 | | 34 | |
| Livestock (thousands of head) | 385 | 1.6 | 151 | | 85 | | 89 | | 188 | | 180 | | 10 | |
| Israel: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total exports (US dollars) ^{d/} | 85 | | 88 | | 104 | | 141 | | 140 | | 88 | | 103 | |
| Oranges and grapefruit (thousands of cases) | 33 | 6,778 | 31 | | 39 | | 47 | | 46 | | 40 | | 7,959 | |
| Diamonds polished (thousands of carats) | 184 | | 20 | | 25 | | 35 | | 342 | | 17 | | 226 | |
| Other items wholly or mainly manufactured | 28 | | 29 | | 28 | | 42 | | 40 | | 20 | | 26 | |
| Jordan: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total exports (Jordanian dinars) | 2.8 | | 2.9 | | 5.0 | | 5.5 | | 3.5 | | ... | | 1.7 ^{e/} | |
| Vegetables and fruits | 57 | 0.90 | 63 | | 86 | | 88 | | 71 | | ... | | 33 | |
| Phosphates | 44 | 0.50 | 151 | | 157 | | 214 | | 232 | | ... | | 129 | |
| Lebanon: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total exports ^{f/} (Lebanese pounds) | 93 | | 108 | | 130 | | 133 | | 101 | | 54 | | 58 | |
| Vegetables ^{g/} | 89 | 16 | 78 | | 21 | | 19 | | 48 | | 17 | | 20 | |
| Fruits ^{h/} | 70 | 18 | 68 | | 22 | | 26 | | 93 | | 58 | | 75 | |
| Cotton and wool ^{i/} | 2 | 5 | 4 | | 9 | | 5 | | 5 | | 5 | | 2.3 | |
| Hides and skins, raw | 0.4 | 0.8 | 0.8 | | 1.9 | | 2.1 | | 1.8 | | 1.1 | | 1.0 | |
| Turkey: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total exports (Turkish pounds) | 938 | | 877 | | 854 | | 967 | | 692 | | 369 | | 517 ^{j/} | |
| Wheat, unmilled | 954 | 189 | 35 | | 50 | | ... | | 34 | | ... | | 29.3 ^{k/} | |
| Fruits and nuts ^{k/} | 123 | 128 | 173 | | 157 | | 132 | | 117 | | 37 | | 48 | |
| Tobacco, unmanufactured | 64 | 241 | 249 | | 262 | | 89 | | 56 | | 55 | | 46 | |
| Cotton raw | 60 | 147 | 128 | | 74 | | 61 | | 35 | | 2 | | 42 | |
| Chromium ore and concentrates | 357 | 45 | 56 | | 65 | | 571 | | 509 | | 299 | | 116 | |

Table XXXI (continued)

| Country, currency and item | 1954 | | 1955 | | 1956 | | 1957 | | 1958 | | 1959 | |
|---|--------------------|-------|--------------------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|------------------------|-------|
| | Weight | Value | Weight | Value | Weight | Value | Weight | Value | Weight | Value | (first half) Weight | Value |
| <u>UAR (Egypt):</u> ^{1/} | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total exports (Egyptian pounds) | 145 ^m / | | 145 ^m / | | 142 | | 172 | | 164 | | 88 | |
| Onions (raw, dehydrated) | 172 | 2 | 176 | 3 | 199 | 5 | 158 | 5 | 162 | 4 | 150 | 4 |
| Rice | 47 | 3 | 183 | 7 | 221 | 9 | 296 | 12 | 360 | 14 | 308 | 11.4 |
| Artificial silk fabrics | 0.7 | 1.9 | 1.0 | 2.3 | 1.7 | 3.4 | 1.0 | 2.3 | 0.7 | 1.4 | 0.6 | 0.17 |
| Cotton, raw | 288 | 113 | 277 | 107 | 235 | 99 | 264 | 124 | 283 | 110 | 131 | 55 |
| Cotton yarn | 11 | 4 | 11 | 4 | 11 | 5 | 11 | 6 | 14 | 7 | 6 | 3 |
| Cotton fabrics | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 4.5 | 3 | 2 |
| <u>UAR (Syria):</u> ^{1/} | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total exports ^{2/} (Syrian pounds) | 460 | | 459 | | 502 | | 544 | | 415 | | 248 | |
| Barley | 431 | 86 | 29 | 8 | 301 | 65 | 331 | 52 | 90 | 13 | 90 | 186 |
| Wheat and wheat flour | 261 | 79 | 35 | 11 | 183 | 58 | 359 | 90 | 184 | 46 | 115 | 0.4 |
| Cotton, raw | 42 | 125 | 89 | 234 | 56 | 149 | 82 | 189 | 78 | 171 | 56 | 99 |
| Wool, raw | 5 | 23 | 7 | 8 | 34 | 34 | 7 | 30 | 7 | 26 | 1 | 13 |
| Sheep (thousands of head) | 520 | 22 | 735 | 29 | 554 | 25 | 25 | 1 | 200 | 8 | 65 | 1.8 |

Source: For 1954-1958, United Nations, Yearbook of International Trade Statistics, 1957 and 1958 (sales numbers: 58.XVII.2, vol. I and 59.XVII.2, vol. I); Iran: for 1958, Customs Administration, Tehran; Israel: Statistical Abstract of Israel. For half-years 1958 and 1959, Cyprus: Statistical Summary for the Month of June 1959; Iraq: Quarterly Bulletin of Statistics (Baghdad); Israel: Statistical Bulletin of Israel (Foreign Trade), July 1959; Jordan: Quarterly Bulletin of Current Statistics (Amman, 1959); Lebanon: Bulletin statistique trimestriel; Turkey: Statistique mensuelle du commerce extérieur (commerce special), April-June 1958 and 1959 (Ankara); UAR (Egypt): National Bank of Egypt, Economic Bulletin, Nos. 2 and 3, 1959; UAR (Syria): Monthly Summary of Foreign Trade (second quarter), 1958 and 1959 (Damascus).

- a/ Excluding ships' stores and bunkers; totals include corrected value of minerals.
b/ Including re-exports.
c/ Including exchange certificates at declared value; years beginning 20 to 21 March of year stated. Data include exports of fishery products.
d/ Value converted to dollars at the rate of \$1 = £I 2.80 in 1954 and \$1 = £I 1.80 thereafter.
e/ Exports for full year 1959 amounted to 3.1 million Jordanian dinars.
f/ Excluding gold.
g/ Onions, potatoes, other vegetables and beans.
h/ Bananas, oranges and tangerines, other citrus fruits, apples, pears, quinces, apricots, peaches and prunes.
i/ Cotton yarns, plain cotton fabrics, raw cotton and wool in lump.
j/ Soft and hard wheat.
k/ Including fresh, dried, prepared and preserved fruits and nuts.
l/ Beginning 1958, excluding trade between Egypt and Syria.
m/ Figures adjusted to include trade with the Sudan.

Table XXXII. Major Imports,^{a/} by Country
(Millions of indicated currency units, except as stated)

| Country and item | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | 1958 (first half) | 1959 |
|--|------|------|-------|-------------------|-------|----------------------|------|
| Cyprus: | | | | | | | |
| Total imports (pounds sterling) | 23.6 | 30.4 | 39.1 | 45.1 | 36.7 | 19.0 | 19.9 |
| Food | 2.8 | 4.1 | 5.8 | 5.8 | 5.6 | 2.6 | 3.1 |
| Mineral fuels, lubricants, related materials | 2.1 | 2.5 | 3.9 | 4.7 | 4.2 | 1.8 | 2.0 |
| Manufactured goods | 7.0 | 8.4 | 9.6 | 11.0 | 8.4 | 4.6 | 5.1 |
| Machinery and transport equipment | 5.6 | 8.0 | 9.2 | 10.6 | 7.3 | 4.3 | 3.7 |
| Other | 6.1 | 7.4 | 10.6 | 13.0 | 11.2 | 5.7 | 6.0 |
| Iran:^{b/} | | | | | | | |
| Total imports (thousands of rials) . . . | 20.7 | 22.7 | 19.0 | 24.0 | 33.8 | ... | ... |
| Tea | 0.9 | 2.0 | 0.9 | 1.7 | 1.2 | ... | ... |
| Sugar (beet and cane) | 3.3 | 2.4 | 2.3 | 2.2 | 1.4 | ... | ... |
| Chemical and pharmaceutical products . . | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.6 | 0.9 | 1.4 | ... | ... |
| Cotton, woollen and synthetic fabrics . . | 4.1 | 3.3 | 2.8 | 3.2 | 3.6 | ... | ... |
| Tires and tubes | 0.9 | 1.2 | 0.6 | 0.9 | 1.2 | ... | ... |
| Iron and steel c/ | 1.4 | 2.1 | 1.8 | 3.0 | 3.9 | ... | ... |
| Machinery and parts | 1.4 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 2.4 ^{d/} | 3.8 | ... | ... |
| Electrical machinery and parts | 0.6 | 0.8 | 0.9 | 1.1 ^{d/} | ... | ... | ... |
| Automobiles and parts e/ | 2.7 | 2.7 | 2.1 | 2.5 | 3.6 | ... | ... |
| Other | 4.6 | 5.5 | 5.1 | 6.1 | 13.7 | ... | ... |
| Iraq:^{f/} | | | | | | | |
| Total imports (Iraqi dinars) | 72.7 | 97.1 | 113.3 | 121.8 | 109.8 | 59.9 | 50.1 |
| Tea | 6.4 | 8.1 | 7.0 | 6.6 | 5.7 | 2.8 | 3.5 |
| Sugar | 5.4 | 5.3 | 6.4 | 8.8 | 7.9 | 4.1 | 3.6 |
| Cotton and other fabrics g/ | 9.6 | 9.9 | 8.9 | 10.5 | 9.4 | 5.2 | 4.0 |
| Machinery h/ | 13.6 | 17.3 | 26.9 | 20.2 | 20.7 | 11.4 | 9.6 |
| Automobiles, including parts | 6.2 | 9.8 | 7.7 | 8.2 | 6.9 | 4.3 | 2.4 |
| Iron and steel | 8.2 | 13.0 | 14.2 | 12.4 | 15.8 | 7.5 | 8.4 |
| Other | 23.3 | 33.7 | 42.2 | 55.1 | 43.4 | 24.6 | 18.6 |

Table XXXII (continued)

| Country and item | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | 1958 (first half) | 1959 |
|---|-------|-------|--------------------|-------|-------|----------------------|--------------------|
| Israel: | | | | | | | |
| Total imports (US dollars) | 297.6 | 333.6 | 367.0 | 434.9 | 429.8 | 218.8 | 214.4 |
| Manufactured consumer goods | 52.9 | 51.3 | 57.2 | 50.0 | 53.1 | 31.1 | 22.5 |
| Raw materials | 149.1 | 172.1 | 172.5 | 211.9 | 211.4 | 106.0 | 116.3 |
| For food industry and agriculture | 44.1 | 55.9 | 56.1 | 67.9 | 71.3 | 33.3 | 41.4 |
| Investment goods | 64.3 | 76.7 | 103.7 | 116.0 | 114.4 | 57.6 | 56.1 |
| Industrial equipment | 20.4 | 23.0 | 35.0 | 34.6 | 50.6 | 24.5 | 25.6 |
| Transport equipment | 17.4 | 26.3 | 29.7 | 48.2 | 31.3 | 17.0 | 13.0 |
| Fuels | 31.3 | 33.0 | 32.9 | 53.5 | 42.0 | 24.1 | 19.5 |
| Other | - | 0.5 | 0.7 | 3.5 | 8.9 | - | - |
| Jordan: | | | | | | | |
| Total imports (Jordanian dinars) | 19.8 | 27.1 | 27.8 | 30.5 | 34.0 | 16.3 | 18.0 ^{1/} |
| Rice, wheat and wheat flour | 1.9 | 3.6 | 2.4 | 2.7 | 4.3 | ... | 2.7 |
| Sugar, refined | 1.2 | 1.2 | 1.3 | 1.8 | 1.7 | ... | 0.6 |
| Yarn and textiles j/. | 2.9 | 2.8 | 2.7 | 3.5 | 3.2 | ... | 1.8 |
| Iron, steel and manufactures thereof | 0.9 | 1.5 | 1.6 | 1.5 | 1.8 | ... | 1.0 |
| Road motor vehicles and parts | 0.9 | 1.8 | 1.9 | 1.4 | 2.0 | ... | 1.2 |
| Other | 12.0 | 16.2 | 17.9 | 19.6 | 21.0 | ... | 10.7 |
| Lebanon: | | | | | | | |
| Total imports (Lebanese pounds) ^{k/} | 380.5 | 476.8 | 519.5 | 551.2 | 466.5 | 274.8 | 329.1 |
| Livestock | 25.5 | 30.0 | 27.2 | 8.6 | 18.9 | 7.4 | 12.6 |
| Cereals and flour l/. | 65.7 | 42.5 | 42.6 | 42.8 | 32.8 | 15.3 | 22.4 |
| Petroleum products m/. | 26.1 | 35.2 | 39.6 | 46.9 | 41.6 | 19.1 | 23.9 |
| Woolen, cotton and silk fabrics. | 23.7 | 24.4 | 24.7 | 29.9 | 23.8 | 13.8 | 13.2 |
| Iron and steel n/. | 14.3 | 22.5 | 39.0 | 36.5 | 30.5 | 18.5 | 14.9 |
| Machinery and electrical equipment o/. | 10.7 | 14.7 | 14.6 ^{q/} | 11.7 | 12.8 | 7.7 | 5.7 |
| Means of transport p/. | 19.2 | 30.6 | 19.4 ^{q/} | 32.9 | 22.5 | 18.2 | 12.5 |
| Other | 195.3 | 276.9 | 312.4 | 341.9 | 283.6 | 174.8 | 223.9 |

Table XXXII (continued)

| Country and item | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | 1958 (first half) | 1959 |
|--|---------|---------|---------|---------|-------|----------------------|-------------------|
| Turkey: | | | | | | | |
| Total imports (Turkish liras) | 1,339.4 | 1,393.4 | 1,140.4 | 1,112.0 | 882.3 | 523.2 | 563.1 |
| Construction materials | 209.7 | 251.9 | 155.2 | 133.6 | 75.5 | 49.0 | 58.3 |
| Machinery and equipment | 500.4 | 504.5 | 508.2 | 350.5 | 306.2 | 168.6 | 201.2 |
| Consumer goods | 262.3 | 204.2 | 126.9 | 136.5 | 107.9 | 65.8 | 54.4 |
| Raw materials | 367.0 | 432.8 | 350.1 | 491.4 | 392.7 | 239.8 | 249.2 |
| UAR (Egypt): ^{r/} | | | | | | | |
| Total imports (Egyptian pounds) | 160.2 | 182.9 | 186.4 | 190.4 | 230.4 | 117.5 | 110.7 |
| Wheat and wheat flour | 2.5 | - | 8.2 | 21.8 | 24.2 | 16.8 | 21.8 |
| Tea and coffee | 10.0 | 11.0 | 7.9 | 8.3 | 9.9 | 5.5 | 3.1 |
| Petroleum and products | 18.2 | 17.3 | 18.2 | 19.1 | 23.4 | 11.4 | 7.5 |
| Lumber | 7.0 | 8.2 | 5.3 | 6.3 | 7.0 | 3.0 ^{s/} | 2.6 ^{s/} |
| Iron, steel and manufactures thereof | 8.1 | 11.7 | 13.8 | 9.4 | 10.2 | 6.5 | 7.0 |
| Machinery and transport equipment . . | 31.8 | 45.7 | 44.5 | 28.9 | 52.1 | 16.2 | 25.9 |
| Other | 82.6 | 89.0 | 88.5 | 96.6 | 103.6 | 58.1 | 42.8 |
| UAR (Syria): ^{r/} | | | | | | | |
| Total imports (Syrian pounds) ^{t/} | 381.7 | 392.6 | 410.2 | 612.3 | 683.3 | 332.9 | 320.3 |
| Sugar, raw | 6.0 | 8.8 | 10.4 | 19.8 | 18.1 | 10.2 | 11.3 |
| Woolen and cotton fabrics ^{u/} | 17.7 | 17.1 | 14.6 | 28.0 | 35.8 | 16.4 | 13.5 |
| Artificial silk thread | 17.2 | 13.3 | 14.8 | 26.7 | 22.2 | 11.7 | 14.5 |
| Petroleum products ^{v/} | 44.3 | 46.2 | 46.5 | 78.5 | 60.8 | 36.0 | 27.6 |
| Iron and steel ^{w/} | 13.3 | 16.6 | 16.7 | 30.8 | 54.7 | 21.8 | 28.2 |
| Machinery and electrical equipment ^{x/} . . | 27.4 | 30.6 | 19.8 | 27.8 | 30.8 | 15.9 | 12.5 |
| Autmobiles (and chassis) | 28.5 | 22.9 | 19.0 | 16.3 | 19.9 | 12.0 | 12.7 |
| Other | 227.3 | 237.1 | 268.4 | 384.4 | 441.0 | 208.9 | 200.0 |

Source: United Nations, Yearbook of International Trade Statistics, 1957 and 1958, vol. 1; Iran: for 1958, Customs Administration (Tehran); Iraq: Statistical Abstract, 1958; Israel: Bank of Israel, Annual Report, 1957 and 1958 (Jerusalem). For half-years 1958 and 1959: Cyprus: Statistical Summary for the Month of June 1959 (Nicosia, July 1959); Iraq: Quarterly Bulletin

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of Statistics; Israel: Statistical Bulletin of Israel (Foreign Trade), January-June 1959, vol. X, No. 7; Jordan: Quarterly Bulletin of Current Statistics; Lebanon: Bulletin statistique trimestriel; Turkey: Central Statistical Office, Monthly Bulletin of Statistics; UAR (Egypt): National Bank of Egypt, Economic Bulletin, Nos. 2 and 3, 1959; UAR (Syria): Monthly Summary of Foreign Trade (second quarter), 1958 and 1959.

- a/ Commodity groups classified according to the SITC.
- b/ Years beginning 20 March of year stated. Excluding gold, gold coin and used banknotes; including value of exchange certificates.
- c/ Including wires, bars, girders, beams, coated sheets, tubes and pipes, furniture and other.
- d/ Including only refrigerators, radios and radiogramophones, generators, transformers, motors and accumulators.
- e/ Including passenger and commercial motor-cars, transport equipment and parts.
- f/ Imports by oil companies and other concessionnaires included in total but not in commodity figures.
- g/ Including cotton, woollen and artificial silk piece-goods.
- h/ Including boilers, machinery and parts and electrical machinery and parts.
- i/ Total imports for the full year 1959 amounted to 39.7 million dinars.
- j/ Including cotton, woollen and artificial silk piece-goods, and cotton thread.
- k/ Valued at the official rate of \$1 = LL2.19; excluding gold.
- l/ Including wheat, spelt, rice, other cereals and wheat flour.
- m/ Including kerosene and gasoline in bulk and mazout oil.
- n/ Including bars, wires, sheets, tubes and pipes.
- o/ Including internal combustion engines, agricultural machinery, machines for manufacturing ice, and electric motors and generators.
- p/ Including aeroplanes, automobiles and parts, and tractors.
- q/ Excluding aeroplanes.
- r/ Beginning 1958, excluding trade between the Egyptian and Syrian regions of the UAR.
- s/ Timber.

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- t/ Valued at the official rate (\$1 = IS2.19) up to end of 1956 and at the free rate (\$ = IS3.58) thereafter; excluding gold.
- u/ Including fabrics of wool mixed with other textile fibres.
- v/ Including kerosene, gasoline, diesel and other fuel oils, and lubricating oil.
- w/ Including bars, sheets, tubes, pipes and galvanized sheets.
- x/ Including internal combustion engines for automobiles and tractors, agricultural machines, textile machinery, sewing machines and electrical dynamos and motors, including transformers and choking coils.

Table XXXIII. Major Imports, by Country
(Total in millions of indicated currency units; details
in percentage of total value)

| Country and item | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | 1958 (first half) | 1959 |
|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|----------------------|-------|
| <u>Cyprus:</u> | | | | | | | |
| Total imports (pounds sterling) | 23.6 | 30.4 | 39.1 | 45.1 | 36.7 | 19.0 | 19.9 |
| Food | 11.9 | 13.5 | 14.8 | 12.9 | 15.3 | 13.7 | 15.6 |
| Mineral fuels, lubricants, related materials | 8.9 | 8.2 | 10.0 | 10.4 | 11.4 | 9.5 | 10.1 |
| Manufactured goods | 29.7 | 27.6 | 24.6 | 24.4 | 22.9 | 24.2 | 25.6 |
| Machinery and transport equipment | 23.7 | 26.3 | 23.5 | 23.5 | 19.9 | 22.6 | 18.6 |
| Other | 25.8 | 24.4 | 27.1 | 28.8 | 30.5 | 30.0 | 30.1 |
| <u>Iran:</u> | | | | | | | |
| Total imports (thousands of rials) | 20.7 | 22.7 | 19.0 | 24.0 | 33.8 | ... | ... |
| Tea | 4.3 | 8.8 | 4.7 | 7.1 | 3.6 | ... | ... |
| Sugar (beet and cane) | 15.9 | 10.6 | 12.1 | 9.2 | 4.1 | ... | ... |
| Chemical and pharmaceutical products | 3.9 | 3.5 | 3.2 | 3.7 | 4.1 | ... | ... |
| Cotton, woollen and synthetic fabrics | 19.8 | 14.5 | 14.7 | 13.3 | 10.7 | ... | ... |
| Tires and tubes | 4.3 | 5.3 | 3.2 | 3.7 | 3.6 | ... | ... |
| Iron and steel | 6.8 | 9.3 | 9.5 | 12.5 | 11.5 | ... | ... |
| Machinery and parts | 6.8 | 8.4 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 11.2 | ... | ... |
| Electrical machinery and parts | 2.9 | 3.5 | 4.7 | 4.6 | ... | ... | ... |
| Automobiles and parts | 13.0 | 11.9 | 11.1 | 10.4 | 10.7 | ... | ... |
| Other | 22.3 | 24.2 | 26.8 | 25.5 | 40.5 | ... | ... |
| <u>Iraq:</u> | | | | | | | |
| Total imports (Iraqi dinars) | 72.7 | 97.1 | 113.3 | 121.8 | 109.8 | 59.9 | 50.1 |
| Tea | 8.8 | 8.3 | 6.2 | 5.4 | 5.2 | 4.7 | 7.0 |
| Sugar | 7.4 | 5.5 | 5.7 | 7.2 | 7.2 | 6.8 | 7.2 |
| Cotton and other fabrics | 13.2 | 10.2 | 7.9 | 8.6 | 8.6 | 8.7 | 8.0 |
| Machinery | 18.7 | 17.8 | 23.7 | 16.6 | 18.8 | 19.0 | 19.2 |
| Automobiles | 8.5 | 10.1 | 6.8 | 6.7 | 6.3 | 7.2 | 4.8 |
| Iron and steel | 11.3 | 13.4 | 12.5 | 10.2 | 14.4 | 12.5 | 16.8 |
| Other | 32.1 | 34.7 | 37.2 | 45.3 | 39.5 | 41.1 | 37.0 |
| <u>Israel:</u> | | | | | | | |
| Total imports (US dollars) | 297.6 | 333.6 | 367.0 | 434.9 | 429.8 | 218.8 | 214.4 |
| Manufactured consumer goods | 17.8 | 15.3 | 15.6 | 11.5 | 12.4 | 14.2 | 10.5 |
| Raw materials | 50.1 | 51.6 | 47.0 | 48.7 | 49.2 | 48.4 | 54.2 |
| For food industry and agriculture | 14.8 | 16.8 | 15.3 | 15.6 | 16.6 | 15.2 | 19.3 |
| Investment goods | 21.6 | 23.0 | 28.3 | 26.7 | 26.6 | 26.3 | 26.2 |
| Industrial equipment | 6.9 | 6.9 | 9.5 | 8.0 | 11.8 | 11.2 | 11.9 |
| Transport equipment | 5.8 | 7.9 | 8.1 | 11.1 | 7.3 | 7.8 | 6.1 |
| Fuels | 10.5 | 9.9 | 9.0 | 12.3 | 9.8 | 11.0 | 9.1 |
| Other | - | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.8 | 2.0 | 0.1 | - |

Table XXXIII (continued)

| Country and item | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | 1958 (first half) | 1959 |
|---|---------|---------|---------|---------|-------|----------------------|-------|
| <u>Jordan:</u> | | | | | | | |
| Total imports (Jordanian dinars) | 19.8 | 27.1 | 27.8 | 30.5 | 34.0 | 16.3 | 18.0 |
| Rice, wheat and wheat flour | 9.6 | 13.3 | 8.6 | 8.9 | 12.6 | ... | 15.0 |
| Sugar, refined | 6.1 | 4.4 | 4.7 | 5.9 | 5.0 | ... | 3.3 |
| Yarn and textiles | 14.6 | 10.3 | 9.7 | 11.5 | 9.4 | ... | 10.0 |
| Iron, steel and manufactures thereof | 4.5 | 5.5 | 5.8 | 4.9 | 5.3 | ... | 5.6 |
| Road motor vehicles and parts | 4.5 | 6.6 | 6.8 | 4.6 | 5.9 | ... | 6.7 |
| Other | 60.7 | 59.9 | 64.4 | 64.2 | 61.8 | ... | 59.4 |
| <u>Lebanon:</u> | | | | | | | |
| Total imports (Lebanese pounds) | 380.5 | 476.8 | 519.5 | 551.2 | 466.5 | 274.8 | 329.1 |
| Livestock | 6.7 | 6.3 | 5.2 | 1.6 | 4.1 | 2.7 | 3.8 |
| Cereals and flour | 17.3 | 8.9 | 8.2 | 7.8 | 7.0 | 5.6 | 6.8 |
| Petroleum products | 6.9 | 7.4 | 7.6 | 8.5 | 8.9 | 7.0 | 7.3 |
| Woollen, cotton and silk fabrics | 6.2 | 5.1 | 4.8 | 5.4 | 5.1 | 5.0 | 4.0 |
| Iron and steel | 3.8 | 4.7 | 7.5 | 6.6 | 6.5 | 6.7 | 4.5 |
| Machinery and electrical equipment | 2.8 | 3.1 | 2.8 | 2.1 | 2.7 | 2.8 | 1.7 |
| Means of transport | 5.0 | 6.4 | 3.7 | 6.0 | 4.8 | 6.6 | 3.8 |
| Other | 51.3 | 38.1 | 60.2 | 62.0 | 60.9 | 63.6 | 68.2 |
| <u>Turkey:</u> | | | | | | | |
| Total imports (Turkish liras) | 1,339.4 | 1,393.4 | 1,140.4 | 1,112.0 | 882.3 | 523.2 | 563.1 |
| Construction materials | 15.6 | 18.1 | 13.6 | 12.0 | 8.6 | 9.4 | 10.4 |
| Machinery and equipment | 37.4 | 36.2 | 44.6 | 31.5 | 34.7 | 32.2 | 35.7 |
| Consumption goods | 19.6 | 14.6 | 11.1 | 12.3 | 12.2 | 12.6 | 9.7 |
| Raw materials | 27.4 | 31.1 | 30.7 | 44.2 | 44.5 | 45.8 | 44.2 |
| <u>UAR (Egypt):</u> | | | | | | | |
| Total imports (Egyptian pounds) | 160.2 | 182.9 | 186.4 | 190.4 | 230.4 | 117.5 | 110.7 |
| Wheat and wheat flour | 1.6 | - | 4.4 | 11.4 | 10.5 | 14.3 | 19.7 |
| Tea and coffee | 6.2 | 6.0 | 4.2 | 4.4 | 4.3 | 4.7 | 2.8 |
| Petroleum and products | 11.4 | 9.5 | 9.8 | 10.0 | 10.2 | 9.7 | 6.8 |
| Lumber | 4.4 | 4.5 | 2.8 | 3.3 | 3.0 | 2.6 | 2.3 |
| Iron, steel and manufactures thereof | 5.1 | 6.4 | 7.4 | 4.9 | 4.4 | 5.5 | 6.3 |
| Machinery and transport equipment | 19.8 | 25.0 | 23.9 | 15.2 | 22.6 | 13.8 | 23.4 |
| Other | 51.5 | 48.6 | 47.5 | 50.8 | 45.0 | 49.4 | 38.7 |
| <u>UAR (Syria):</u> | | | | | | | |
| Total imports (Syrian pounds) | 381.7 | 392.6 | 410.2 | 612.3 | 683.3 | 332.9 | 320.3 |
| Sugar, raw | 1.6 | 2.2 | 2.5 | 3.2 | 2.7 | 3.1 | 3.5 |
| Woollen and cotton fabrics | 4.6 | 4.4 | 3.6 | 4.6 | 5.2 | 4.9 | 4.2 |
| Artificial silk thread | 4.5 | 3.4 | 3.6 | 4.4 | 3.3 | 3.5 | 4.5 |
| Petroleum products | 11.6 | 11.8 | 11.3 | 12.8 | 8.9 | 10.8 | 8.6 |
| Iron and steel | 3.5 | 4.2 | 4.1 | 5.0 | 8.0 | 6.5 | 8.8 |
| Machinery and electrical equipment | 7.2 | 7.8 | 4.8 | 4.5 | 4.5 | 4.8 | 3.9 |
| Automobiles, including chassis | 7.5 | 5.8 | 4.6 | 2.7 | 2.9 | 3.6 | 4.0 |
| Other | 59.5 | 60.4 | 65.5 | 62.8 | 64.5 | 62.8 | 62.5 |

Source: Based on table XXXII.

Table XXXIV. UAR (Syria): Commodity Trade with the Egyptian Region
(Quantity in tons; value in thousands of Syrian pounds)

| Year | Imports | | Exports | | Trade balance | |
|----------------|----------|--------|----------|--------|---------------|---------|
| | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value | Surplus | Deficit |
| 1953 | 1,680 | 825 | 15,031 | 3,428 | 2,603 | |
| 1954 | 11,670 | 4,788 | 13,145 | 3,063 | | 1,725 |
| 1955 | 21,399 | 6,822 | 14,609 | 5,169 | | 1,653 |
| 1956 | 30,533 | 12,936 | 25,244 | 9,030 | | 3,906 |
| 1957 | 32,742 | 14,262 | 112,361 | 31,785 | 17,523 | |
| 1958 | 114,726 | 25,514 | 15,796 | 16,578 | | 8,936 |
| 1959 | 161,950 | 41,797 | 28,919 | 68,381 | 26,584 | |

Source: Centre d'études et de documentations, Etude mensuelle sur l'économie et les finances de la Syrie et des pays arabes, No. 26, February 1960, appendix page 13.

Table XXXV. Iran: Economic Development Expenditure^{a/}
(Millions of rials)

| Item | 1954/55 | 1955/56 | 1956/57 | 1957/58 | 1958/59 | 1959/60- 1962/63 (planned) |
|---|---------|---------|---------|-------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------|
| Agricultural, irrigation and regional development programme | 157 | 723 | 1,633 | 3,579 | 4,994 | 17,328 |
| Industry and mining . . | 371 | 718 | 1,379 | 1,788 | 890 | 1,989 |
| Transport and communications | 448 | 1,454 | 3,300 | 4,142 | 3,052 | 18,636 |
| Social affairs | 67 | 683 | 1,301 | 1,513 | 1,140 | 7,143 |
| Administrative and other outlays ^{b/} | 807 | 832 | 390 | ... ^{c/} | 1,818 ^{c/} | 4,793 |
| Total | 1,850 | 4,410 | 8,002 | 11,023 | 11,894 | 49,889 |

Source: Bank Melli Iran, Bulletin (Tehran), June 1958; Plan Organization, Annual Report of 1957/58 (Tehran), 1959; 1958/59 data partly estimated.

^{a/} Years beginning 20-21 March. Actual and planned development expenditures of the Plan Organization.

^{b/} Including interest payments on loans.

^{c/} 1957/58 expenditures included under item for 1958/59.

Table XXXV. Iran: Economic Development Expenditure^{a/}
(Millions of rials)

| Item | 1954/55 | 1955/56 | 1956/57 | 1957/58 | 1958/59 | 1959/60-1962/63 (planned) |
|---|---------|---------|---------|-------------------|---------------------|------------------------------|
| Agricultural, irrigation and regional development programme | 157 | 723 | 1,633 | 3,579 | 4,994 | 17,328 |
| Industry and mining | 371 | 718 | 1,379 | 1,788 | 890 | 1,989 |
| Transport and communications | 448 | 1,454 | 3,300 | 4,142 | 3,052 | 18,636 |
| Social affairs | 67 | 683 | 1,301 | 1,513 | 1,140 | 7,143 |
| Administrative and other outlays ^{b/} | 807 | 832 | 390 | ... ^{c/} | 1,818 ^{c/} | 4,793 |
| Total | 1,850 | 4,410 | 8,002 | 11,023 | 11,894 | 49,889 |

Source: Bank Melli Iran, Bulletin (Tehran), June 1958; Plan Organization, Annual Report of 1957/58 (Tehran), 1959; 1958/59 data partly estimated.

a/ Years beginning 20-21 March. Actual and planned development expenditures of the Plan Organization.

b/ Including interest payments on loans.

c/ 1957/58 expenditures included under item for 1958/59.

Table XXXVI. Iraq: Development Expenditure^{a/}
(Millions of dinars)

| Item | 1951/52 | 1952/53 | 1953/54 | 1954/55 | 1955/56 | 1956/57 | 1957/58 ^{b/} | 1958/59 ^{b/} |
|--------------------------------|---------|-------------------|---------|---------|-------------------|---------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Total revenue . . . | 7.5 | 24.0 | 35.3 | 40.7 | 60.8 | 51.0 | 36.0 | ... |
| Total expenditure . | 3.1 | 12.8 | 12.3 | 20.9 | 34.0 | 45.0 | 58.3 | 61.0 |
| Irrigation and reclamation . . | 1.6 | 3.5 | 7.1 | 11.5 | 13.6 | ... | 10.4 | 9.7 |
| Roads and bridges | 0.6 | 1.8 | 1.9 | 4.3 | 9.3 | ... | 17.8 ^{c/} | 15.9 ^{c/} |
| Building construction . | 0.9 | 2.3 | 2.5 | 2.7 | 5.5 | ... | ... | ... |
| Industries . . . | - | - | 0.5 | 2.0 | 2.9 | ... | 11.8 | 10.4 |
| Administration and other . . . | 0.1 | 5.2 ^{d/} | 0.3 | 0.3 | 2.7 ^{e/} | ... | 18.3 ^{f/} | 25.0 ^{g/} |

Source: Annual Report of the Central Bank of Iraq, 1957 and 1958 (Baghdad); reports of the Development Board.

a/ Actual revenue and expenditure of the Development Board, fiscal years ending 31 March.

b/ Provisional.

c/ Including public buildings.

d/ Including ID 5 million transferred to the ordinary budget.

e/ Including ID 2.3 million in repayment of the Tharthar Loan to the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development.

f/ Including ID 0.4 million for agriculture, ID 4.3 million for housing, ID 12.9 million for loans to government and semi-government departments and ID 0.8 million for other expenses.

g/ Including ID 0.1 million for agriculture, ID 5.8 million for housing, ID 4.4 million for loans to government and semi-government departments and ID 14.7 million for other expenses.

Table XXXVII. Iraq: Four-Year Interim Development Programme
(Millions of Iraqi dinars)

| Department | Amounts necessary for comple- tion of project | Percent- tage | Distribution of amounts during years of execution of projects | | | | Appropriations deferred to next economic plan |
|---|--|------------------|--|---------|---------|---------|---|
| | | | 1959/60 | 1960/61 | 1961/62 | 1962/63 | |
| Agriculture | 47.9 | 12.2 | 14.4 | 18.1 | 11.4 | 4.0 | - |
| Industry | 38.7 | 9.9 | 9.8 | 12.6 | 10.5 | 5.6 | 0.4 |
| Transport and communications | 100.8 | 25.7 | 22.5 | 36.2 | 26.2 | 10.1 | 5.9 |
| Housing and summer resorts. | 76.4 | 19.5 | 9.0 | 38.1 | 22.9 | 6.4 | - |
| Public buildings | 50.5 | 12.9 | 12.7 | 14.0 | 12.4 | 11.1 | 0.3 |
| Public health | 24.6 | 6.3 | 3.5 | 9.3 | 8.1 | 3.8 | - |
| Public culture | 39.2 | 10.0 | 5.3 | 8.7 | 8.1 | 6.9 | 10.3 |
| Iraqi-Soviet economic agreement projects . . . | 10.0 | 2.5 | 3.0 | 7.0 | - | - | - |
| Reserve | 4.0 | 1.0 | - | - | - | - | - |
| Total | 392.1 | 100.0 | 80.2 | 144.0 | 99.6 | 47.9 | 16.9 |

Source: Data supplied by the Government.

Table XXXVIII. Israel: Actual Development Budget Expenditure
(Millions of Israel pounds)

| Item | 1949/50 | 1950/51 | 1951/52 | 1952/53 | 1953/54 | 1954/55 | 1955/56 | 1956/57 | 1957/58 | 1958/59 | 1959/60 (estimated) |
|--|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|------------------------|
| Agriculture | 9.9 | 12.9 | 22.6 | 34.8 | 58.4 | 80.3 | 89.9 | 81.1 | 102.8 | 130.9 | 125.5 |
| Industry, quarries and electricity | 0.4 | 7.2 | 11.3 | 15.5 | 36.0 | 40.4 | 76.9 | 66.5 | 90.1 | 108.8 | 88.3 |
| Housing and public buildings | 9.7 | 25.8 | 18.5 | 21.8 | 30.2 | 35.4 | 45.9 | 30.3 | 100.0 | 64.1 | 72.2 |
| Communications and posts | 7.7 | 3.5 | 5.6 | 11.6 | 14.8 | 27.0 | 31.4 | 33.2 | 32.1 | 36.1 | 48.9 |
| Public works | 3.3 | 8.3 | 6.5 | 8.2 | 16.9 | 21.7 | 9.6 | 8.1 | 5.6 | 4.9 | 4.0 |
| Loans to local authorities and public corporations . | 3.5 | 6.9 | 6.6 | 6.2 | 5.0 | 7.0 | 10.8 | 8.1 | 6.5 | 7.2 | 6.0 |
| Miscellaneous operations | 0.7 | 2.9 | 2.4 | 2.7 | 2.8 | 11.4 | 11.3 | 1.4 | 2.6 | 1.8 | 7.6 |
| Payment of debts . . . | - | - | - | - | - | 59.5 | 51.5 | 51.5 | 57.5 | 72.5 | 143.0 |
| Recurrent payments for financing operations. | - | - | - | - | - | 13.0 | 20.0 | 34.0 | - | - | - |
| Oil pipelines | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 8.2 | 7.9 | 12.2 | 11.0 |
| Total | 35.2 | 67.6 | 73.5 | 100.8 | 164.1 | 295.7 | 347.3 | 322.4 | 404.9 | 438.4 | 506.5 |

Source: Israel Government Yearbook, 1958 (Jerusalem, 1959); Central Bureau of Statistics, Statistical Abstract of Israel, 1958/59.

Table XXXIX. Kuwait: Actual Development Expenditure
(Millions of rupees)^{a/}

| Item | 1953 | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 |
|---|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Total development expenditure ^{b/} . . . | 387 | 369 | 230 | 317 | 425 | 519 |
| Public utilities and services . . | 24 | 62 | 72 | 93 | 142 | 167 |
| Port Department | 12 | 23 | 23 | 27 | 40 | 45 |
| Electricity and Water Department | 1 | 21 | 23 | 23 | 45 | 44 |
| Telegraph and Telephone Department | - | - | - | 4 | 11 | 20 |
| Municipality | 10 | 16 | 20 | 31 | 36 | 50 |
| Other public utilities | 1 | 2 | 6 | 8 | 10 | 8 |
| Development and public works . . . | 363 | 307 | 158 | 224 | 283 | 352 |
| Public Works Department | 72 | 127 | 138 | 190 | 283 | 334 |
| Development budget ^{c/} | 291 | 180 | 20 | 34 | - | 18 |
| Expenditure of Kuwait Oil Company ^{d/} . | 80 | 68 | 49 | 129 | 309 | 296 |

Source: Government of Kuwait, Government Budgets, Closed Accounts, 1953-1958;
Kuwait Oil Company.

^{a/} All figures are rounded.

^{b/} Development expenditures are provisional and include administrative costs.

^{c/} After 1955 the carrying out of the development programme was entrusted to specific departments and agencies.

^{d/} Oil prospecting, drilling, production, refining and transportation and provision of other facilities.

Table XL. Lebanon: Development Expenditure^{a/}
(Millions of Lebanese pounds)

| Item | 1953 | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | 1959 |
|--|-------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|----------------------|
| National Reconstruction Agency ^{b/} | - | - | - | 5.295 | 10.649 | 8.869 | 13.045 |
| Telephone service ^{c/} | ... | 0.256 | 1.929 | 3.815 | 3.057 | 8.571 | ... |
| Water service ^{d/} | 1.374 | 0.757 | 1.003 | 5.109 | 1.304 | 2.309 | 0.912 |
| Litani River Authority ^{e/} | - | 0.549 | 1.988 | 5.488 | 14.477 | 23.651 | 10.000 ^{f/} |
| Power and public transportation service ^{g/} | 1.820 | 4.043 | 9.938 | 5.835 | 7.156 | 7.653 | ... |
| Total expenditure | 3.194 | 5.605 | 14.858 | 25.542 | 36.643 | 51.053 | ... |

Source: Ministry of Finance.

a/ Data included cover special budgets only.

b/ New investment - administrative expenditure excluded.

c/ New investment - ordinary expenditure excluded.

d/ New investment - purchase of equipment and acquisition of land only.

e/ New investment - administrative expenditure included.

f/ Government advances only - disbursements from International Bank for Reconstruction and Development loan excluded.

g/ Expenditure for new facilities only - ordinary expenditure excluded.

Table XLI. Saudi Arabia: Development Expenditure^{a/}
(Millions of rials)

| Item | 1947/48 | 1951/52 | 1952/53 | 1954/55 | 1955/56 | 1957/58 | 1959 ^{b/} |
|---|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--------------------|
| Total development expenditure ^{c/} | 29 | 143 | 172 | 276 | 379 | 234 | 182 |
| Transport and communications | 8 | 20 | 24 | 97 | 133 | 137 | 107 |
| Saudi Arabian Airlines | 4 | 12 | 13 | ... | ... | 27 | ... |
| Communications | 4 | 8 | 11 | 97 | 133 | 110 | 107 |
| Development and public works | 21 | 123 | 148 | 179 | 246 | 97 | 75 |
| Public works | 15 | 116 | 144 | 160 | 218 | 76 | 55 |
| Agriculture | 6 | 7 | 4 | 19 | 28 | 21 | 20 |
| Expenditure by Arabian American Oil Company d/ | (334) | (204) | (369) | (207) | (239) | (279) | (303) |

Source: Data for 1947/48 to 1954/55 compiled from United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East, "Quarterly Bulletin of Economic Development", No. 13, 1956 (mimeographed); for 1955/56 to 1959 from Ministry of Finance and National Economy, Statistical Bulletin, 1959 (Mecca); expenditure by oil company based on information provided by Arabian American Oil Company.

a/ Budget estimates; fiscal years beginning July; all figures are rounded.

b/ Starting 1959, fiscal year beginning January.

c/ Tentative estimates.

d/ Including outlays on oil prospecting and drilling, oil production, refining and transportation facilities, general service plant and construction equipment and plant and equipment for offices outside Saudi Arabia. Parentheses indicate that figures are not to be added to total development expenditure.

Table XLIII. Turkey: Development Expenditure^{a/}
(Millions of Turkish liras)

| Sector | 1950 | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | 1959 ^{b/} | 1960 ^{b/} |
|---|-------|-------|-------|---------|---------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Industry, mining and electric power . . . | 65.0 | 66.3 | 56.7 | 73.5 | 83.4 | 151.1 | 177.7 |
| Agriculture | 95.6 | 270.5 | 350.4 | 531.6 | 593.4 | 763.5 | 859.7 |
| Transport and communications | 113.3 | 413.4 | 482.5 | 577.5 | 707.9 | 959.8 | 1,304.8 |
| Public works | 47.6 | 117.2 | 103.4 | 134.8 | 158.0 | 217.3 | 394.6 |
| Total | 321.5 | 867.4 | 993.0 | 1,317.4 | 1,542.7 | 2,091.7 | 2,736.8 |

Source: 1960 Budget Report (Ankara) (in Turkish).

a/ Economic development expenditure; data include general and annexed budgets; excluding state railways, state seaways, postal, telegraph and telephone services and state airways.

b/ Estimates.

Table XLIII. UAR (Egypt): Development Projects Budget

(Millions of Egyptian pounds)

| Project and item | Appropriations | | | Expected expenditures to 30 June 1958 ^{a/} | Final estimated cost of projects |
|--|----------------|---------|---------|---|----------------------------------|
| | 1956/57 | 1957/58 | 1958/59 | | |
| Public works | 13.16 | 9.46 | 13.02 | 61.37 | 153.25 |
| Short-term drainage development programme | - | 0.30 | 3.00 | 0.20 | 29.00 |
| Irrigation, reservoirs and navigation | 4.93 | 3.79 | 3.70 | 20.01 | 42.25 |
| Mechanical and Electrical Department | 1.33 | 1.13 | 0.82 | 13.26 | 15.50 |
| Aswan Dam electrification | 4.50 | 3.00 | 2.70 | 20.80 | 29.50 |
| Southern Region electricity scheme | 1.00 | 0.60 | 1.70 | 0.60 | 28.40 |
| Agricultural expansion | 1.00 | 0.64 | 0.50 | 6.00 | 6.80 |
| Silos | 0.40 | - | 0.60 | 0.50 | 1.80 |
| Gas, electricity, mining and oil | 7.70 | 6.82 | 4.64 | 16.69 | 19.65 |
| Oil refinery and mining | 2.70 | 2.07 | 1.64 | 0.09 | 0.10 |
| Electricity and gas administration | 5.00 | 4.75 | 3.00 | 16.60 | 19.55 |
| Improvement of agricultural and animal production | 0.90 | 0.60 | 0.40 | - | - |
| Communications | 12.50 | 13.90 | 11.47 | 31.50 | 72.80 |
| Railways | 5.50 | 7.20 | 6.20 | 13.40 | 21.80 |
| Telegraph and telephone | 3.00 | 3.70 | 2.27 | 6.40 | 19.20 |
| Roads and bridges administration | 4.00 | 3.00 | 3.00 | 11.70 | 31.80 |
| Pasture improvement | 0.03 | 0.02 | 0.02 | - | - |
| Five-year industrial development programme | - | - | 12.00 | - | - |
| Projects entrusted to independent organizations | 11.60 | 4.20 | 7.32 | 4.80 | 24.00 |
| Reconstruction and development in Beheira and Fayoun | 1.10 | 0.70 | 0.82 | 2.90 | 8.90 |
| Aswan High Dam ^{b/} | 2.90 | 2.80 | 2.60 | 1.90 | 9.00 |
| Fertilizer factory | 1.30 | - | - | - | - |
| Other | 6.30 | 0.70 | 3.90 | - | 6.10 |
| Total, above items | 45.89 | 35.00 | 48.87 | 114.36 | 269.70 |
| Less expenditure not expected to be realized | - | 6.60 | 2.91 | - | - |
| Total | 45.89 | 28.40 | 45.96 | 114.36 | 269.70 |
| Preliminary actual expenditures | 38.4 | 25.7 | 39.0 | | |

Source: National Bank of Egypt, Economic Bulletin, vol. XII, No. 2.^{a/} Since the establishment of a Development Projects Budget in 1953.^{b/} Preparatory works.

Table XLIV. UAR (Syria): Economic Development Expenditure
(Millions of Syrian pounds)

| Item | Actual Expenditure to end of June 1958 <u>a/</u> | Budget estimate 1958/59 <u>b/</u> | Budget bill 1959/60 <u>b/</u> |
|---|---|---|----------------------------------|
| Irrigation, flood control, well-digging and other agricultural projects . . . | 29.4 | 45.9 | 66.8 |
| Roads, bridges, ports, airports and silos | 47.5 | 4.0 | 22.5 |
| Railways | 8.0 ^{c/} | 2.0 | 7.0 |
| Electricity | 21.9 ^{d/} | 1.0 | 3.0 |
| Drinking water projects . . . | 5.9 | - | 9.0 |
| Oil refinery and tanks . . . | 12.8 | - | - |
| Industrial projects | 0.6 ^{e/} | 21.9 | 60.3 |
| Antiquities and tourism . . . | 0.4 | 3.0 | 3.8 |
| Administration and other . . | 4.4 ^{f/} | 2.5 ^{g/} | 4.0 ^{g/} |
| Total | 130.9 | 80.3 | 176.4 |

Source: UAR (Syria): Speech of the Minister of the Treasury, 1957/58 (Damascus, 1958) (in Arabic); Ordinary, Annexed and Independent Budgets, 1959/60 (Damascus) (in Arabic).

a/ The figures in this column represent economic development expenditures from the seven-year Extraordinary Budget (1955-1961) of 29 August 1955 (Law No. 116) and cover the period to end of June 1958. They exclude expenditures related to defence, embassies abroad and state participation in the capital of State-owned banks.

b/ Economic Development Budget (Law No. 1285 of 1959); excluding items related to expected payment of interest, border construction projects and development project reserves.

c/ Purchase of DHP Railways; excluding the deficit on Hijaz Railways.

d/ Compensation paid to nationalized companies, as well as expansions of capacity.

e/ Potash plant only.

f/ Including such items as the completion of the university hospital and the cadastral survey.

Table XLV. Bank Credit Outstanding^{a/} and its Distribution between the Public and Private Sectors, Selected Countries

(Millions of national currency units)

| Country, currency and item | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | 1959 |
|--|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|------------------------|
| <u>Iran</u> ^{b/} (rial): | | | | | | |
| Claims on Government c/ . . . | 17,060.0 | 17,320.0 | 18,820.0 | 21,680.0 | 26,410.0 | 29,240.0 |
| Claims on private sector . . | 8,060.0 | 9,720.0 | 10,820.0 | 13,980.0 | 22,610.0 | 32,240.0 |
| <u>Iraq</u> ^{d/} (Iraqi dinar): | | | | | | |
| Claims on Government | 13.9 | 19.2 | 25.5 | 32.0 | 31.9 | 27.3 |
| Claims on private sector . . | 25.6 | 32.1 | 33.9 | 40.1 | 39.5 | 44.6 |
| <u>Israel</u> ^{e/} (Israel pound): | | | | | | |
| Claims on Government | 168.8 | 238.5 | 382.6 | 426.1 | 436.6 | 447.4 |
| Claims on private sector . . | 333.3 | 389.9 | 458.1 | 545.0 | 688.8 | 833.4 |
| <u>Jordan</u> ^{f/} (Jordanian dinar): | | | | | | |
| Claims on Government c/ . . . | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.8 | 0.8 |
| Claims on private sector . . | 4.9 | 6.5 | 7.5 | 10.0 | 10.2 | 12.4 |
| <u>Lebanon</u> ^{g/} (Lebanese pound): | | | | | | |
| Claims on Government | 94.0 | 87.0 | 87.0 | 85.0 | 94.0 | 94.0 |
| Claims on private sector . . | 308.0 | 408.0 | 427.0 | 516.0 | 528.0 | 650.0 |
| <u>Turkey</u> ^{h/} (Turkish lira): | | | | | | |
| Claims on Government c/ . . . | 2,061.0 | 2,732.0 | 3,224.0 | 3,728.0 | 4,391.0 | 4,367.0 ^{i/} |
| Claims on private sector . . | 5,239.0 | 6,172.0 | 7,254.0 | 8,953.0 | 10,192.0 | 10,808.0 ^{i/} |
| <u>UAR (Egypt)</u> ^{i/} (Egyptian pound): | | | | | | |
| Claims on Government | 92.6 | 136.0 | 205.4 | 245.4 | 264.3 | 285.3 |
| Claims on private sector . . | 161.0 | 170.5 | 195.3 | 221.8 | 247.8 | 303.5 |
| <u>UAR (Syria)</u> ^{k/} (Syrian pound): | | | | | | |
| Claims on Government c/ . . . | 274.0 | 272.0 | 317.0 | 334.0 | 365.0 | 461.0 ^{i/} |
| Claims on private sector . . | 421.0 | 431.0 | 452.0 | 492.0 | 487.0 | 581.0 ^{i/} |

Source: International Monetary Fund, International Financial Statistics, May 1960.

a/ Data refer to end of year, except as note.

b/ A consolidation of the accounts of the National Bank, the deposit money banks and, in effect, the National Savings Bank.

c/ Including claims on official entities.

d/ A consolidation of the accounts of the Central Bank, the commercial banks, sarrafs (private money-lenders) and the Post Office Savings Bank. The sarrafs perform some banking functions, but data on their deposits only are available. Most of the assets are foreign assets and the largest single liability is government deposits. Claims on Government include an amount equal to Post Office Savings Bank deposits. Claims on private sector include an amount equal to private sector deposits with sarrafs.

e/ A consolidation of the accounts of the Bank of Israel and the deposit money banks.

f/ A consolidation of the accounts of the Currency Board and the commercial banks.

g/ Data comprising the accounts of the Issue Department of the Bank of Syria and Lebanon, together with incomplete statistics, as published in Lebanese sources, for principal commercial banks.

h/ A consolidation of the accounts of the Central Bank, the deposit money banks and the Treasury coin issue.

i/ End of September.

j/ A consolidation of the accounts of the National Bank and the deposit money banks, and Treasury currency outside banks.

k/ A consolidation of the accounts of the Central Bank and of the commercial banks.

l/ End of November.

Table XLVI. Indices of Cost of Living and Wholesale Prices,^{a/} by Country

(1953 = 100)

| Country and item | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | 1959 |
|---|------|------|------|------|-------------------|-------------------|
| <u>Cyprus (Nicosia):</u> | | | | | | |
| Cost of living, all items | 104 | 110 | 119 | 127 | 133 | 135 |
| Cost of living, food | 101 | 107 | 118 | 124 | 129 | 128 |
| <u>Iran (Teheran):</u> | | | | | | |
| Cost of living, all items | 118 | 122 | 130 | 139 | 140 | 162 ^{b/} |
| Cost of living, food | 114 | 114 | 121 | 126 | 120 | 135 ^{c/} |
| General wholesale prices | 118 | 115 | 123 | 123 | 119 | 123 |
| <u>Iraq (Baghdad):</u> | | | | | | |
| Cost of living, all items | 98 | 101 | 107 | 113 | 108 | 107 |
| Cost of living, food | 98 | 102 | 110 | 116 | 110 | 111 |
| General wholesale prices | 96 | 97 | 104 | 108 | 97 | 106 |
| <u>Israel (Haifa, Jerusalem, Tel Aviv):</u> | | | | | | |
| Cost of living, all items | 112 | 119 | 127 | 135 | 139 | 142 |
| Cost of living, food | 113 | 117 | 126 | 132 | 136 | 136 |
| General wholesale prices | 118 | 124 | 131 | 150 | 153 | 153 |
| <u>Jordan (Amman):</u> | | | | | | |
| Cost of living, all items | 103 | 104 | 101 | 107 | ... | |
| Cost of living, food | 102 | 103 | 103 | 110 | ... | |
| General wholesale prices | 81 | 92 | 87 | 85 | 91 | |
| <u>Lebanon (Beirut):</u> | | | | | | |
| Cost of living, all items | 95 | 97 | 102 | 109 | 114 ^{d/} | 118 |
| Cost of living, food | 93 | 96 | 105 | 114 | 118 ^{d/} | 121 |
| General wholesale prices | 92 | 93 | 98 | 100 | 101 | 102 |
| <u>Turkey (Istanbul):</u> | | | | | | |
| Cost of living, all items | 110 | 119 | 136 | 152 | 171 | 216 |
| Cost of living, food | 109 | 114 | 131 | 147 | 162 | 210 |
| General wholesale prices | 111 | 119 | 139 | 164 | 189 | 221 ^{e/} |
| <u>UAR (Egypt) (Cairo):</u> | | | | | | |
| Cost of living, all items | 96 | 96 | 98 | 102 | 102 | 102 |
| Cost of living, food | 101 | 103 | 104 | 109 | 110 | 111 |
| General wholesale prices | 97 | 99 | 110 | 119 | 118 | 117 |
| <u>UAR (Syria) (Damascus):</u> | | | | | | |
| Cost of living, food | 92 | 92 | 103 | 109 | 109 | 106 |
| General wholesale prices | 96 | 97 | 102 | 98 | 96 | 101 |

Source: United Nations, Monthly Bulletin of Statistics, May 1960; Jordan: Statistical Yearbook, 1957 and 1958.

a/ Annual averages, except as stated.

b/ Average of ten months.

c/ Average of nine months.

d/ Average of January-April and October-December.

e/ Average of five months.

Table XLVII. United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East:
Estimated Total and Net Local Expenditures by Host Countries a/

(Thousands of dollars)

| Country offices | Number of regis- tered refugees receiving rations and/or all UNRWA services at 30 June 1959 | 1 July 1955 - 30 June 1956 | | 1 July 1956 - 30 June 1957 | | 1 January 1958 - 31 December 1958 | | 1 January 1959 - 31 December 1959 | |
|----------------------|--|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| | | Total expenditure- b/ | Net local c/ expenditure- | Total expenditure- b/ | Net local c/ expenditure- | Total expenditure- b/d/ | Net local c/d/ expenditure- | Total expenditure- b/d/ | Net local c/d/ expenditure- |
| Gaza | 248,742 | 6,450 | 2,696 | 7,122 | 2,601 | 7,282 | 3,987 | 7,809 | 4,275 |
| Iraq | - | 46 | 129 | 10 | 69 | - | - | - | - |
| Jordan | 595,725 | 14,936 | 8,399 | 17,109 | 8,810 | 14,374 | 9,232 | 15,413 | 9,900 |
| Lebanon | 131,732 | 7,408 | 5,149 | 7,696 | 4,858 | 7,155 | 5,665 | 7,673 | 6,075 |
| UAR (Egypt). | - | 379 | 1,047 | 171 | 461 | - | - | - | - |
| UAR (Syria). | 111,429 | 2,980 | 1,471 | 3,074 | 2,294 | 2,989 | 2,098 | 3,205 | 2,250 |
| Total | 1,011,729 | 32,199 | 18,891 | 35,182 | 19,093 | 31,800 | 20,982 | 34,100 | 22,500 |

Source: Information supplied by UNRWA (Beirut).

a/ As of 1958, financial year changed to calendar year. Expenditure during the six-month period from 1 July to 31 December 1957 may be assumed to have been in accordance with the same pattern as that in the preceding year and the succeeding year.

b/ Total expenditure under the budget for the benefit of refugees.

c/ Net local expenditures are goods and services, out of total budget expenditures.

d/ Preliminary figures.

Table XLVIII. Middle East: Estimates of Total Population
(Thousands)

| Country | 1950 | 1951 | 1952 | 1953 | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | Cumulative increase 1950-1958 | Average annual increase 1950-1958 |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------------------------------------|--|
| Iran | 16,276 | 16,667 | 17,067 | 17,476 | 17,896 | 18,325 | 18,955 | 19,215 | 19,677 | 3,401 | 378 |
| Iraq | 5,278 | 5,443 | 5,611 | 5,786 | 5,966 | 6,152 | 6,343 | 6,538 | 6,590 | 1,312 | 146 |
| Israel | 1,258 | 1,516 | 1,607 | 1,651 | 1,688 | 1,748 | 1,827 | 1,937 | 1,997 | 739 | 82 |
| Immigration | (170) | (174) | (23) | (10) | (17) | (36) | (55) | (71) | (26) | | |
| Jordan ^{a/} | 1,269 ^{b/} | 1,320 | 1,329 | 1,360 | 1,395 | 1,437 | 1,482 | 1,527 | 1,580 | 311 | 34 |
| Lebanon ^{c/} | 1,257 | 1,286 | 1,321 | 1,353 | 1,383 | 1,425 | 1,450 | 1,525 | 1,550 | 293 | 33 |
| Turkey ^{d/} | 20,947 | 21,645 | 22,240 | 22,850 | 23,478 | 24,122 | 24,784 | 25,464 | 26,163 | 5,216 | 579 |
| UAR (Egypt) ^{e/} | 20,393 | 20,872 | 21,473 | 22,003 | 22,557 | 23,113 | 23,669 | 24,225 | 24,781 | 4,388 | 488 |
| UAR (Syria) ^{f/} | 3,215 | 3,291 | 3,381 | 3,545 | 3,670 | 3,861 | 3,970 | 4,082 | 4,283 | 1,068 | 119 |
| Total, above listed countries g/ | 69,893 | 72,040 | 74,029 | 76,024 | 78,033 | 80,183 | 82,480 | 84,513 | 86,621 | 16,728 | 1,858 |

Source: United Nations, Demographic Yearbook, 1958 (sales number: 58.XIII.1.1); Monthly Bulletin of Statistics, April 1960; Israel: Statistical Abstract of Israel, 1958/59.

- a/ Excluding military personnel and their families, and foreigners; including registered Palestinian refugees numbering 586,706 as at 31 December 1958.
- b/ Estimate as at 31 December.
- c/ Lebanese nationals only; excluding registered Palestinian refugees numbering 129,228 at end of 1958.
- d/ Prior to 1958, estimates as at 20 October.
- e/ Excluding nomad population.
- f/ Prior to 1952, excluding nomad population, estimated at 179,722 at end of 1956.
- g/ For some countries no estimates are available for the whole period under consideration. Estimates referring to 1955 are as follows: Bahrain, 120,000; Kuwait, 203,000; Qatar, 35,000; Saudi Arabia, 5,900,000. Yemen's population has recently been estimated at 5,000,000. Data on Cyprus, not reported in the table, show an increase of 57,000 from 492,000 (1950) to 549,000 (1958).