

# PUBLIC INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

Year ended 31st March 1948

AN ACCOUNT of the Public Income and Expenditure of the United Kingdom in the year ended 31st March 1948; together with the Balances in the Exchequer on 1st April 1947; the Receipts and Payments (not being Income and Expenditure) in the year ended 31st March 1948; and the Balances in the Exchequer on that day. (In continuation of House of Commons Paper No 90 of Session 1946—47).

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**PART I.—AN ACCOUNT OF THE PUBLIC INCOME**  
**IN THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1948, PREPARED IN COMPLIANCE WITH**  
**INCOME.**

	£	s.	d.
Income Tax ... ..	*1,212,911,000	—	—
Sur-Tax including arrears of Super Tax ... ..	91,220,000	—	—
Death Duties ... ..	172,029,000	—	—
Stamps ... ..	56,280,000	—	—
Profits Tax ... ..	36,120,000	—	—
Excess Profits Tax ... ..	252,568,000	—	—
Other Inland Revenue Duties ... ..	715,000	—	—
Total Inland Revenue ... ..	£1,821,843,000	—	—
Customs ... ..	791,101,000	—	—
Excise ... ..	629,700,000	—	—
Total Customs and Excise ... ..	£1,420,801,000	—	—
Motor Vehicles Duties ... ..	49,108,000	—	—
Total Tax Revenue ... ..	£3,291,752,000	—	—
Sale of Surplus War Stores ... ..	197,231,463	8	9
Surplus Receipts from certain Trading Services ... ..	101,261,398	—	6
Post Office ... ..	143,300,000	—	—
Broadcast Receiving Licences ... ..	11,200,000	—	—
Crown Lands (net) ... ..	950,000	—	—
Receipts from sundry loans, &c. ... ..	23,043,731	8	—
Miscellaneous ... ..	242,603,448	9	5
Total Non-Tax Revenue ... ..	£719,590,041	6	8
TOTAL INCOME ... ..	£4,011,342,041	6	8

\* Includes £23,183,000 Income Tax deducted from Excess Profits Tax, post-war refunds.

31 MARCH 1948.

## AND EXPENDITURE OF THE UNITED KINGDOM

SECTION 4 OF THE SINKING FUND ACT, 1875 (38 &amp; 39 VICT., C. 45).

## EXPENDITURE.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
I.—CONSOLIDATED FUND SERVICES.						
National Debt Services :						
Interest	500,922,380	6	11			
Management and Expenses	1,703,744	15	3			
New Sinking Fund (1928) (see page 8)	22,373,874	17	10			
				525,000,000	—	—
Excess Profits Tax, post-war refunds (part deducted for tax)	...	...	...	23,183,000	—	—
Payments to Northern Ireland Exchequer	...	...	...	†24,313,666	12	8
Other Consolidated Fund Services :						
Civil List	344,819	3	4			
Annuities and Pensions	711,050	9	7			
Salaries and Allowances	29,963	5	3			
Courts of Justice	609,593	17	6			
Miscellaneous Services	5,596,084	11	6			
				7,291,511	7	2
II.—SUPPLY SERVICES.						
Army Votes	383,600,000	—	—			
Navy Votes	194,300,000	—	—			
Air Votes	181,900,000	—	—			
Ministry of Supply	125,400,000	—	—			
Other Civil Votes	1,737,710,000	—	—			
Customs and Excise and Inland Revenue Votes	27,227,000	—	—			
Post Office Vote	146,036,000	—	—			
				2,796,173,000	—	—
III.—ISSUED FROM REVENUE TO REDEEM DEBT, AND DIRECTED BY THE FINANCE ACT, 1947, S. 70 TO BE INCLUDED AS EXPENDITURE						
				635,380,863	6	10
TOTAL EXPENDITURE				£4,011,342,041	6	8

† Includes £21,105,319 7s. 7d. proceeds of reserved taxes in Northern Ireland after deduction of Imperial Contribution and cost of reserved services in Northern Ireland.

**PART II.—AN ACCOUNT OF THE BALANCES OF PUBLIC MONEY REMAINING IN BEING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE AS SHOWN IN PART I) IN THE YEAR ENDED**

RECEIPTS.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Balances in the Exchequer on 1 April 1947 :						
At the Bank of England ... ..	2,024,301	2	6			
At the Bank of Ireland ... ..	332,160	13	9			
				2,356,461	16	3
Receipts under the following Acts :—						
Overseas Trade Guarantees Act, 1939, s. 4	289,373	3	5			
Housing (Temporary Accommodation) Act, 1944, s. 8 ... ..	3,282,381	12	10			
Housing (Scotland) Act, 1944, s. 4 and Housing (Financial Provisions) (Scotland) Act, 1946, s. 13 ... ..	3,627	2	11			
Building Materials and Housing Act, 1945, s. 4 ... ..	111,767	2	5			
Local Authorities Loans Act, 1945, s. 3 ...	1,031,461	—	1			
Coal Industry Nationalisation Act, 1946, s. 28 ... ..	2,313,679	13	6			
Bank of England Act, 1946, s. 1 ... ..	1,746,360	—	—			
				8,778,649	15	2
Raised by creation of Debt :						
(a) For Capital Expenditure Issues :						
Under the Post Office and Telegraph (Money) Acts, 1946 and 1948 : By terminable annuities chargeable on the Post Office Vote ... ..				23,750,000	—	—
(b) For other Issues :	£	s.	d.			
By Treasury Bills ... ..	23,125,157,000	—	—			
By National Savings Certificates ...	223,750,000	—	—			
By 2½ per cent. Defence Bonds ...	68,770,000	—	—			
By 3 per cent. Defence Bonds ...	1,731	—	—			
By 2½ per cent. Treasury Stock, 1975 or after ... ..	8,590	17	11			
By Tax Reserve Certificates ... ..	251,850,000	—	—			
By other Debt under the National Loans Act, 1939 ... ..	921,656,751	6	9			
				24,591,194,073	4	8
(c) Temporary Advances on the credit of Ways and Means ...				6,465,755,000	—	—
(d) Treasury Deposits by Banks ... ..				2,592,000,000	—	—
				£33,683,834,184	16	1
Carried forward						

THE EXCHEQUER ON 1 APRIL 1947; OF THE RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS (NOT 31 MARCH 1948; AND OF THE BALANCES IN THE EXCHEQUER ON THAT DAY.

## PAYMENTS.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Interest outside Permanent Debt Charge :						
Issues under the following Acts :—						
Overseas Trade Guarantees Act, 1939, s. 4	289,373	3	5			
Housing (Temporary Accommodation) Act, 1944, s. 8	3,282,381	12	10			
Housing (Scotland) Act, 1944, s. 4 and Housing (Financial Provisions) (Scotland) Act, 1946, s. 13	3,627	2	11			
Building Materials and Housing Act, 1945, s. 4	111,767	2	5			
Local Authorities Loans Act, 1945, s. 3	1,031,461	—	1			
Coal Industry Nationalisation Act, 1946, s. 28	2,313,679	13	6			
Bank of England Act, 1946, s. 1	1,746,360	—	—			
				8,778,649	15	2
Issues to meet Capital Expenditure :						
Under the Post Office and Telegraph (Money) Acts, 1946 and 1948				23,750,000	—	—
Redemption of Unfunded Debt : £						
Treasury Bills	23,099,755,000					
less Paid off by National Debt Commissioners...	4,815,000					
	23,094,940,000	—	—			
National Savings Certificates	135,150,000	—	—			
2½ per cent. Defence Bonds	8,044,000	—	—			
3 per cent. Defence Bonds	139,027,767	3	—			
3 per cent. Conversion Loan, 1948-53	300,474,665	6	10			
2½ per cent. National War Bonds, 1945-47	100,000	—	—			
2½ per cent. National War Bonds, 1946-48	100,000	—	—			
2½ per cent. Terminable Annuities	5,768,117	4	10			
3 per cent. Terminable Annuities	27,340,650	16	9			
Tax Reserve Certificates	354,733,234	1	3			
Other Debt under the National Loans Act, 1939	60,948,867	14	7			
				24,126,627,302	7	3
Excess Profits Tax, post-war refunds (balance after deduction of tax)				28,334,944	3	7
Temporary Advances on the credit of Ways and Means repaid				6,738,400,000	—	—
Treasury Deposits by Banks repaid				2,757,500,000	—	—
				£33,683,390,896	6	—
Carried forward						

**PART II.—AN ACCOUNT OF THE BALANCES OF PUBLIC MONEY REMAINING IN BEING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE AS SHOWN IN PART I) IN THE YEAR THAT**

RECEIPTS.

	£	s.	d.
Brought forward ...	33,683,834,184	16	1
Receipts under Section 16 (3) of the War Risks Insurance Act, 1939	8,000,000	—	—
Repayments, &c. :	£	s.	d.
In respect of Issues under the following Acts :—			
Land Settlement (Facilities) Acts, 1919 and 1921 ... ..	160,895	10	4
Tithe Act, 1936, s. 26 ... ..	2,497,273	—	10
Overseas Trade Guarantees Act, 1939, s. 4 Housing (Temporary Accommodation) Act, 1944, s. 8 ... ..	1,138,014	12	6
Housing (Scotland) Act, 1944, s. 4 and Housing (Financial Provisions) (Scotland) Act, 1946, s. 13 ... ..	172	4	—
Local Authorities Loans Act, 1945, s. 3... ..	707,755	12	7
Coal Industry Nationalisation Act, 1946, s. 28 ... ..	908,547	2	2
Cotton (Centralised Buying) Act, 1947, s. 21 ... ..	8,157,646	6	6
Miscellaneous Financial Provisions Act, 1946, s. 3 : Civil Contingencies Fund...	185,500,000	—	—
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		211,281,410	13 3
Suez Canal Shares :			
Capital of shares drawn and paid off ... ..		600,274	18 9
Gifts from the Governments of Australia and New Zealand ...		30,000,000	— —
Excess of Income over the Ordinary Expenditure shown in Part I, Heads I and II, in the Year ended 31 March 1948 ... ..		635,380,863	6 10
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		£34,569,096,733	14 11

THE EXCHEQUER ON 1 APRIL 1947; OF THE RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS (NOT ENDED 31 MARCH 1948; AND OF THE BALANCES IN THE EXCHEQUER ON DAY—*continued*.

## PAYMENTS.

	£	s.	d.
Brought forward ...	33,683,390,896	6	—
Issues under the following Acts :—			
Tithe Act, 1936, s. 26 ... ..	2,380,000	—	—
Overseas Trade Guarantees Act, 1939, s. 4 ... ..	1,314,500	—	—
Housing (Temporary Accommodation) Act, 1944, s. 8 ... ..	57,000,000	—	—
Housing (Scotland) Act, 1944, s. 4, and Housing (Financial Provisions) (Scotland) Act, 1946, s. 13 ... ..	4,766,000	—	—
Building Materials and Housing Act, 1945, s. 1 ... ..	500,000	—	—
Local Authorities Loans Act, 1945, s. 3 ... ..	226,200,000	—	—
Coal Industry Nationalisation Act, 1946, s. 34 ... ..	28,000,000	—	—
New Towns Act, 1946, s. 12 ... ..	384,000	—	—
Cotton (Centralised Buying) Act, 1947, s. 21 ... ..	14,000,000	—	—
Overseas Resources Development Act, 1948, s. 17 :			
Colonial Development ... ..	25,000	—	—
Overseas Food ... ..	8,000,000	—	—
Bretton Woods Agreements Act, 1945, s. 2 ... ..	16,129,032	5	2
Miscellaneous Financial Provisions Act, 1946 :—			
S. 2, War Damage, Board of Trade ... ..	59,250,000	—	—
War Damage Commission ... ..	221,000,000	—	—
S. 3, Civil Contingencies Fund ... ..	185,500,000	—	—
Finance Act, 1946, s. 26 and Finance Act, 1947, s. 16, Post-war credits ... ..	55,927,287	3	3
Finance Act, 1935, s. 30, 3 per cent. Local Loans Stock paid off... ..	1,900,000	—	—
Suez Canal Drawn Shares : Issued to reduce Debt under the Finance Act, 1898 ... ..	600,274	18	9
Balances in the Exchequer on 31 March 1948	£	s.	d.
At the Bank of England ... ..	1,967,946	11	4
At the Bank of Ireland ... ..	861,796	10	5
	2,829,743	1	9
	£34,569,096,733	14	11

*W. Eady.*

Treasury,  
10 April 1948.

I hereby certify, pursuant to the provisions of the Act 38 and 39 Vict., c. 45, s. 4, that the foregoing Accounts are correct.

*F. N. Tribe,*  
Comptroller and Auditor General.

Exchequer and Audit Department,  
24 April 1948.

## NOTE.

	£	s.	d.
SINKING FUNDS :—			
Capital of Terminable Annuities	1,056,539	—	—
Sinking Fund for 4 per cent. Funding Loan	6,093,490	13	10
Sinking Fund for 3 per cent. Funding Loan	5,120,377	13	—
Sinking Fund for Victory Bonds	5,286,861	4	6
Balance issued to National Debt Commissioners	4,816,606	6	6
TOTAL	£22,373,874	17	10

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