

RELEASES FROM THE ARMED FORCES

TABLE 15.—ESTIMATED PROGRESSIVE TOTALS OF MEN RELEASED FROM THE ARMED FORCES UP TO 31ST MARCH, 1946

Period covered.	Number released.
Outset to 31st March, 1943	23,000
1st April, 1943, to 31st March, 1944	32,000
1st April, 1944, to 31st March, 1945	34,000
1st April, 1945, to VJ Day (15th August, 1945)	28,000
VJ Day to 31st March, 1946	77,000
Outset to 31st March, 1946	194,000

TABLE 16.—ANALYSIS OF PERSONS DEMOBILIZED FROM VJ DAY (15TH AUGUST, 1945) TO 31ST MARCH, 1946

Branch of Service.	Number demobilized from 15th August, 1945, to 31st March, 1946.			Number demobilized as Percentage of strength at 15th August, 1945.
	Males.	Females.	Total.	
Army	42,200	1,302	43,502	87
Air Force	25,083	1,799	26,882	79
Navy	6,611	259	6,870	69
Total	73,894	3,360	77,254	82

TABLE 17.—RESULTS OF RECOMMENDATIONS BY DISTRICT MAN-POWER OFFICERS FOR THE RELEASE OF PERSONNEL FROM THE ARMED FORCES ON INDUSTRIAL AND COMPASSIONATE GROUNDS

(Period covered: VJ Day (15th August, 1945) to 31st March, 1946)

Reason for Release.	Recommendations.			
	Total.	Approved by Forces.	Declined by Forces.	Under Action at 31st March, 1946.
<i>Industrial grounds—</i>				
Farming	1,249	1,009	174	66
Shearing	75	58	16	1
Mustering	9	7	1	1
Dairy factories	159	130	27	2
Sawmills	79	58	17	4
Coal-mining	20	13	5	2
Carpentering	409	324	73	12
Electrical work	227	192	31	4
Plumbing	100	85	13	2
Painting	106	76	29	1
Other industries	1,282	849	361	72
<i>Compassionate grounds</i>	293	147	41	15
Total	3,918	2,948	788	182