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THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,  
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SIR,

I have the honour to submit the Review of the Trade of India for the year 1915-16. Part I contains a résumé of the extent and direction of India's oversea, frontier, coasting, and inland trade, with special reference to the effects of the war on trade. Charts have been inserted to illustrate the main changes and features in the trade of the year under review. Part II contains statistical tables for a series of years, which could not obviously appear in the body of the Report itself without making it unreadable. These tables contain all the more important statistics of trade, including those relating to the trade with the British Empire (e.g., the United Kingdom, Self-Governing Dominions, and other British Possessions), and foreign countries (e.g., our Allies, Neutrals, and hostile countries), the prices of commodities, shipping, freights, and the course of the wages in important industries. An index, it may be noted, is added for easy reference. Prominence has been given in this year's Review to an analysis of the chief imports (Chapter 3) and exports (Chapter 4) with special reference to the War.

I have the honour to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient servant,

G. FINDLAY SHIRRAS,

*Director of Statistics.*

DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS:

*The 21st October, 1916.*

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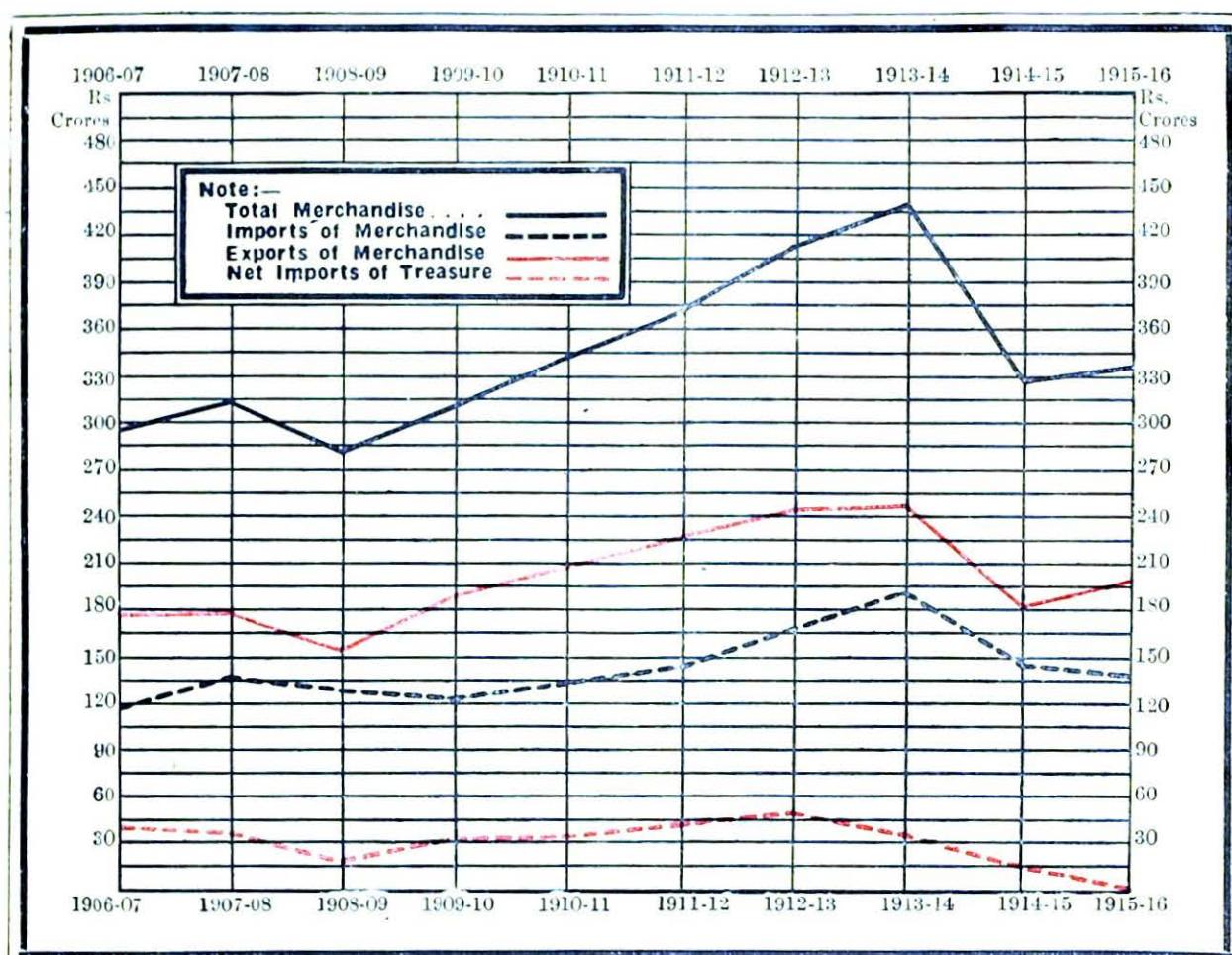
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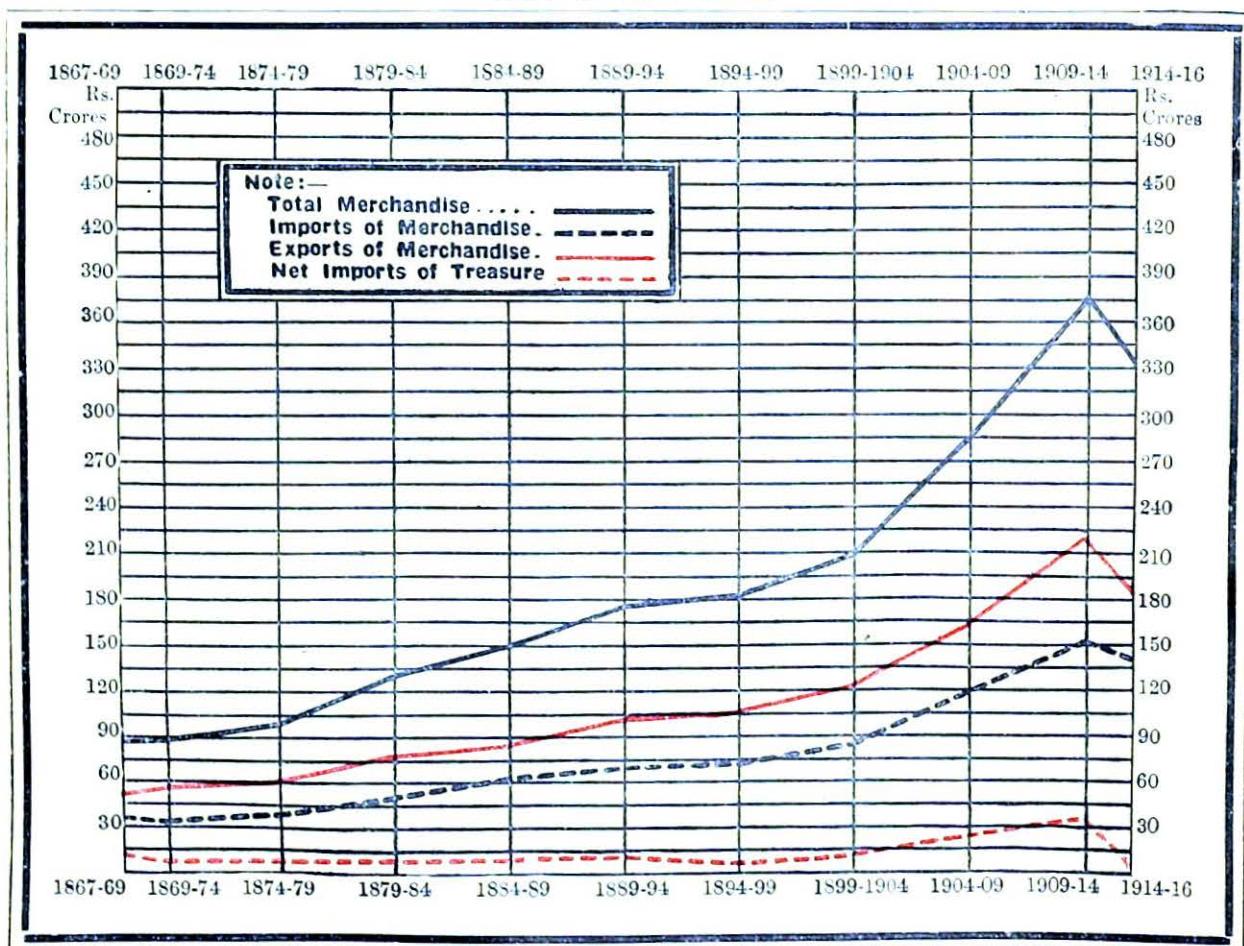
(a) In a decade

1906-07 to 1915-16



(b) During Half a Century

1867-68 to 1915-16



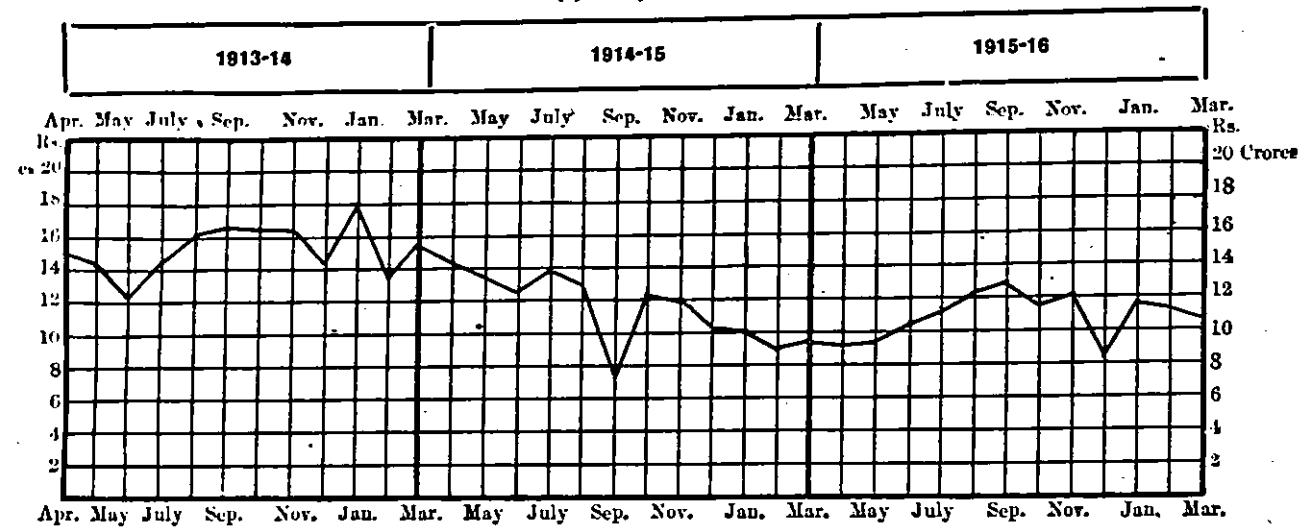
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2. The curves for 1867-68 and 1914-16 represent averages for two years.
3. Total merchandise includes Imports and Exports, both private and Government.
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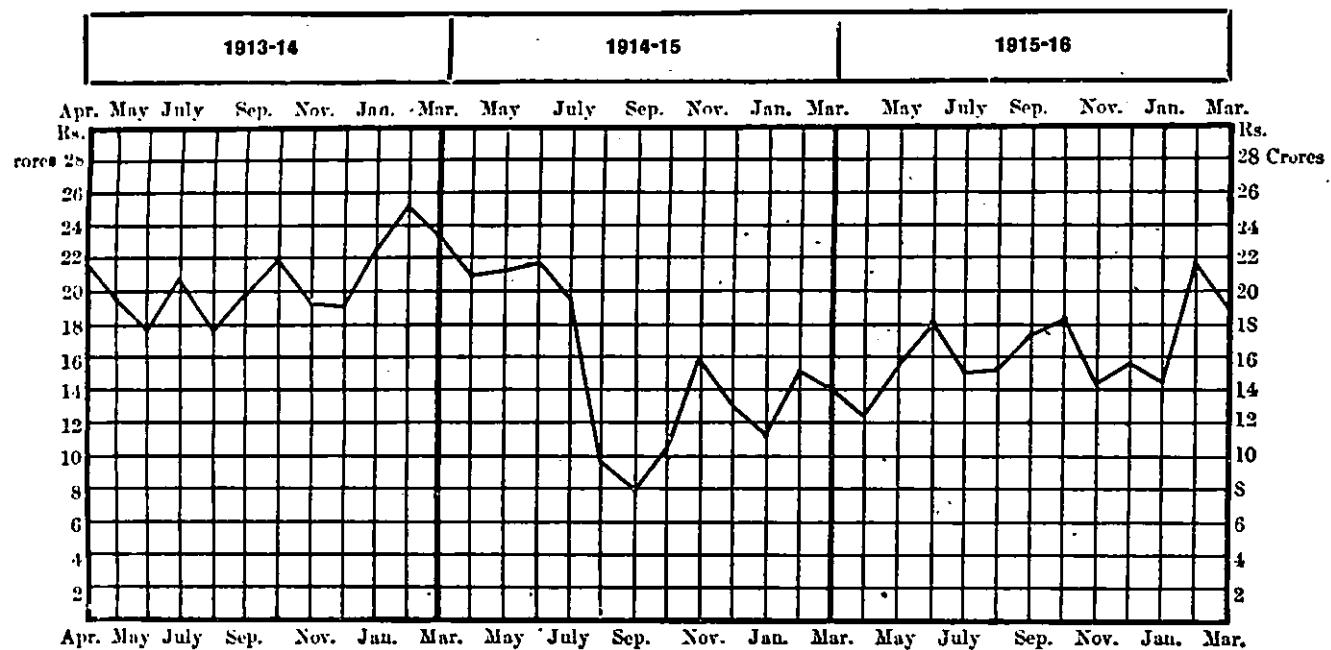
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WITH THAT OF 1914-15 AND 1913-14**

(Private Merchandise only)

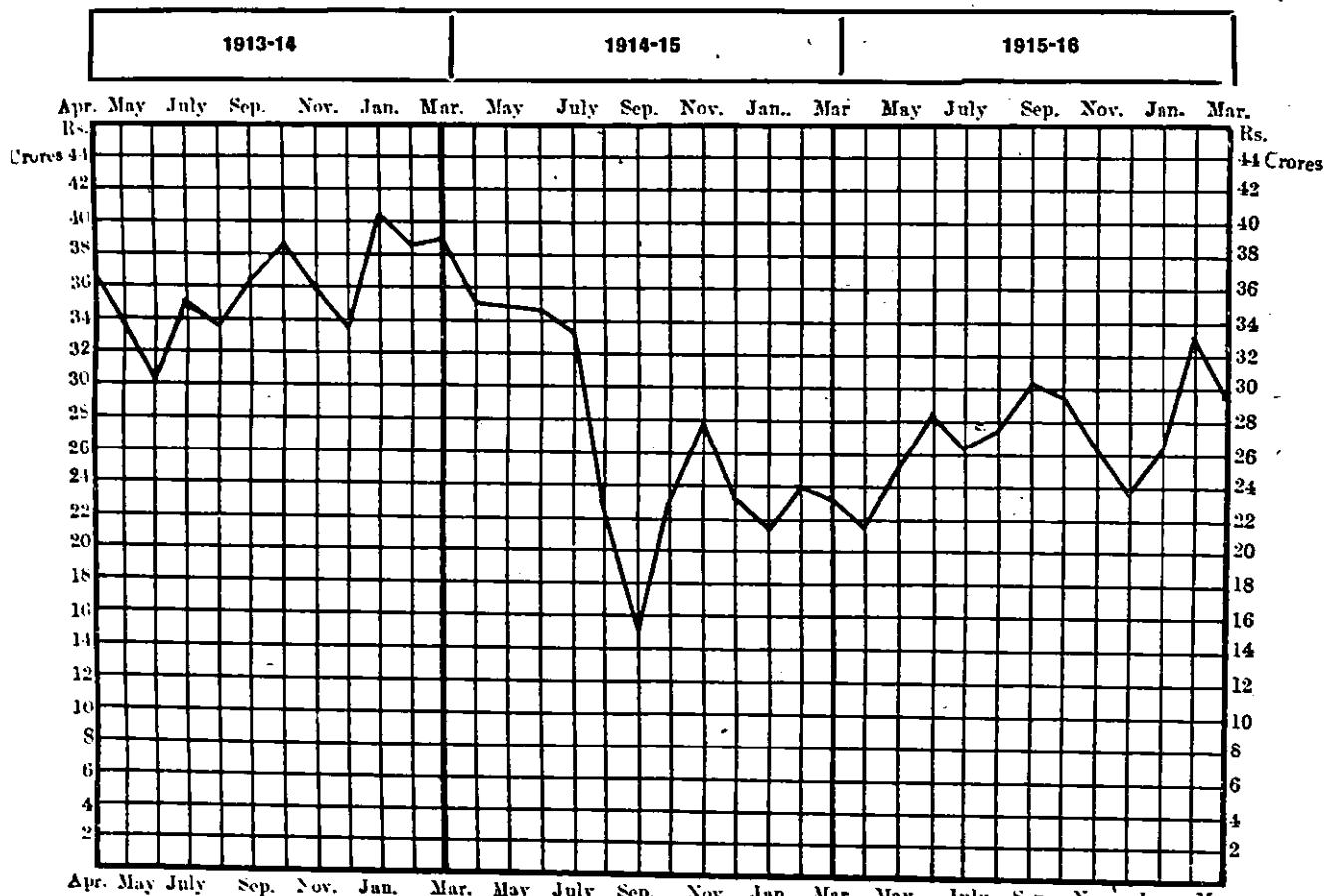
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**(II) Exports**



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Note :—Imports have not recovered from the shock of war as much as have exports.

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