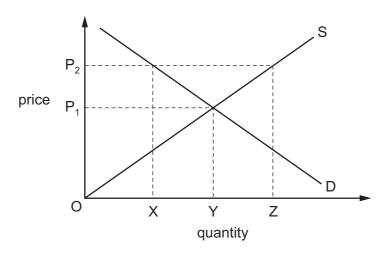
16 In 2009 the Australian government made a payment of \$900 to those who earned less than \$100,000 per year.

How would the effect of this transfer payment be described?

- **A** neutral
- **B** progressive
- **C** proportional
- **D** regressive
- 17 The diagram shows the market for wheat.



If the government wishes to fix the price at OP₂ what quantity of wheat must the government buy?

- **A** OZ
- B XY
- C XZ
- D YZ
- **18** As part of a privatisation policy, a government deregulates bus services and sells off its public sector bus services to the private sector.

What is least likely to occur following these changes?

- **A** Bus fares are increased.
- **B** Bus service companies invest in new buses.
- **C** Extra bus service companies enter the market.
- **D** Loss-making bus services are retained.