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OF

THE DAIRYING INDUSTRY IN AUSTRALIA

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TABLE I. MONTHLY FACTORY PRODUCTION OF BUTTER: STATES

(See Section 2 and Table II of June "Summary")

State	Year	Month of			Year ended June
		May	June	July	
		cwt.	cwt.	cwt.	cwt.
New South Wales	1937	66,200	43,040	37,148	927,460
	1938	59,761	47,071	39,619	1,035,092
	1939	93,358	69,124	58,791	1,016,435
Victoria ..	1937	56,680	43,060	47,130	1,325,820
	1938	50,338	40,070	43,607	1,223,361
	1939	86,634	75,776	79,304	1,132,485
Queensland ..	1937	72,700	55,900	51,470	752,940
	1938	90,139	84,083	81,097	1,026,261
	1939	112,620	85,687	79,150	1,378,371
South Australia	1937	6,940	8,280	11,339	149,500
	1938	9,227	11,100	12,635	168,951
	1939	9,396	11,186	13,889	155,833
Western Australia	1937	3,800	6,100	9,015	97,560
	1938	5,433	7,602	10,116	122,342
	1939	5,482	7,830	9,717	130,838
Tasmania ..	1937	2,500	1,280	1,272	72,140
	1938	3,925	2,226	1,779	82,203
	1939	3,854	2,544	2,077	80,163
Australia ..	1937	208,820	157,660	157,374	3,325,420
	1938	218,823	192,152	188,303	3,658,210
	1939	311,344	252,007	242,928	3,893,925

TABLE II. MONTHLY EXPORTS OF BUTTER FROM AUSTRALIA: STATES
OF SHIPMENT

(See Section 4 and Table III of June "Summary")

State	Month of -		Year ended	
	July 1938	July 1939	June 1938	June 1939
	cwt.	cwt.	cwt.	cwt.
New South Wales	5,901	19,845	280,112	214,216
Victoria ..	6,122	54,663	693,708	584,476
Queensland ..	75,680	62,147	667,145	1,138,148
South Australia	2,422	3,292	79,001	65,893
Western Australia	46	568	32,300	36,881
Tasmania ..	-	-	7,036	9,391
Australia:	90,171	140,515	1,759,302	2,049,005

TABLE III. MONTHLY EXPORTS OF BUTTER FROM AUSTRALIA:
COUNTRIES OF DESTINATION

(See Section 5 and Table IV of June "Summary")

Country of Destination	Month of -		Year ended -	
	July 1938	July 1939	June 1938	June 1939
	cwt.	cwt.	cwt.	cwt.
United Kingdom	83,936	132,675	1,641,675	1,937,495
Ceylon	207	388	6,653	7,142
Hong Kong	655	1,049	9,145	7,320
India	144	144	2,423	2,502
Malaya (British)	543	918	15,296	15,289
Mauritius	96	64	1,087	1,317
New Guinea	80	162	1,594	1,765
Other British	531	494	17,190	9,299
Total British:	86,192	135,894	1,695,063	1,982,129
Percentage of Total:	95.6%	96.7%	96.3%	96.7%
China	100	328	2,384	3,403
Egypt	302	903	6,908	12,928
Japan	-	-	92	-
Netherlands East Indies	2,878	2,257	41,193	39,397
New Caledonia	66	133	880	767
Panama	22	-	200	-
Philippine Islands	469	930	10,487	6,222
Siam	23	14	682	732
Other Foreign	119	56	1,413	1,427
Total Foreign:	3,979	4,621	64,239	66,876
Percentage of Total:	4.4%	3.3%	3.7%	3.3%
GRAND TOTAL:	90,171	140,515	1,759,302	2,049,005

TABLE IV. MONTHLY IMPORTS OF BUTTER INTO THE UNITED KINGDOM:
COUNTRIES OF ORIGIN

(See Section 6 and Table V of June "Summary")

Source: Trade and Navigation Accounts of the United Kingdom

Country of Origin	Month of -		Year ended -	
	July 1938	July 1939	June 1938	June 1939
	cwt.	cwt.	cwt.	cwt.
Australia	65,549	151,661	1,677,673	1,806,603
New Zealand	270,056	91,836	2,803,150	2,506,868
Eire	63,711	37,740	311,334	301,275
South Africa	1,336	1,658	21,544	45,529
Other British	1,690	21,676	63,381	164,560
Total British:	402,342	304,571	4,877,082	4,824,835
Percentage of Total:	40.8%	37.7%	51.4%	51.1%
Soviet Union	-	-	219,158	-
Finland	28,343	29,126	176,977	195,516
Estonia	28,703	33,535	175,902	196,378
Latvia	55,377	41,595	241,879	366,299
Lithuania	42,434	46,895	221,889	244,174
Sweden	34,597	18,596	256,327	237,178
Denmark	266,389	191,112	2,250,182	2,238,396
Poland	31,364	34,916	210,207	176,493
Netherlands	81,879	105,176	702,201	818,877
Argentina	8,425	1,652	65,681	96,003
Other Foreign	5,249	365	94,481	43,666
Total Foreign:	582,760	502,968	4,614,884	4,614,980
Percentage of Total:	59.2%	62.3%	48.6%	48.9%
GRAND TOTAL:	985,102	807,539	9,491,966	9,439,815

TABLE V. STOCKS (a) OF BUTTER IN COLD STORAGE IN THE
UNITED KINGDOM

(See Section 7 and Table VI of June "Summary")

Source: Weekly Dairy Produce Notes of the Imperial Economic Committee

Last Period in Month of -		1935	1936	1937	1938	1939
		cwt.	cwt.	cwt.	cwt.	cwt.
January	..	235,156	187,449	440,609	202,410	383,035
February	..	233,163	215,224	396,625	192,064	382,548
March	..	236,846	192,133	338,101	367,770	394,411
April	..	278,227	199,751	303,098	328,545	392,810
May	..	460,169	321,062	385,564	449,855	369,025
June	..	523,998	422,022	451,613	516,502	504,166
July	..	627,721	481,837	478,655	685,049	627,317
August	..	532,458	497,874	476,983	649,635	
September	..	415,628	505,728	297,459	597,640	
October	..	304,654	471,534	188,511	501,373	
November	..	221,608	415,520	215,229	429,039	
December	..	168,855	357,162	95,009	254,654	

(a) These quantities account for approximately 95 per cent.
of the total stored.

TABLE VI. BUTTER PRICES

(See Section 8 and Tables VII and VIII of June "Summary")

Quotation	1938			1939		
	June	July	August	June	July	August
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Average equalization rate for butter sold per cwt. ..	146. 9	147. 9	145. 3	(a)134. 1	(a)134. 6	(a)136. 5
London top price of Australian Choiceest Salted Butter (Sterling Currency) per cwt. ..	120. 0	120. 0	118. 0	113. 0	114. 0	110. 0
F.O.B. equivalent of London Price (Australian Currency) per cwt. ..	135. 0	135. 0	132. 0	126. 0	127. 0	123. 0

(a) Interim price.

TABLE VII. MONTHLY EXPORTS OF CHEESE FROM AUSTRALIA

(See Section 10 and Table X of June "Summary")

Month	1937-38	1938-39	1939-40
	cwt.	cwt.	cwt.
July	3,568	11,864	18,994
August	5,765	18,024	
September	12,527	22,609	
October	20,781	34,737	
November	26,051	36,770	
December	33,824	49,213	
January	32,123	46,601	
February	28,472	51,668	
March	30,697	24,146	
April	11,551	15,945	
May	21,657	16,532	
June	16,249	22,645	
<u>Twelve months ended June:</u>	243,265	320,754	

TABLE VIII. MONTHLY IMPORTS OF CHEESE INTO THE UNITED KINGDOM
COUNTRIES OF ORIGIN

(See Section 12 and Table XII of June "Summary")

Source: Trade and Navigation Accounts of the United Kingdom

Country of Origin	Month of -		Year ended -	
	July 1938	July 1939	June 1938	June 1939
	cwt.	cwt.	cwt.	cwt.
Australia	10,847	4,728	171,450	291,331
New Zealand	150,955	107,157	1,701,201	1,637,759
Canada	83,915	101,143	742,071	670,466
Other British	2,790	1,736	26,238	64,674
Total British:	248,516	214,764	2,650,960	2,664,230
Percentage of Total:	88.3%	89.5%	88.7%	89.5%
Netherlands	21,733	14,023	213,914	184,828
Switzerland	2,047	1,667	19,728	18,795
Italy	5,384	5,852	66,236	74,952
Other Foreign	3,920	3,109	37,018	59,859
Total Foreign:	33,084	34,654	336,896	318,437
Percentage of Total:	11.7%	10.5%	11.3%	10.5%
GRAND TOTAL:	281,600	249,418	2,987,856	2,982,667

TABLE IX. EXPORTS OF PORK, BACON AND HAM AND EGGS FROM AUSTRALIA

(See Sections 15 to 18 of June "Summary")

Particulars	Month of -		Year ended -	
	July 1938	July 1939	June 1938	June 1939
PORK				
Quantity exported .. lb.	2,201,501	3,328,302	33,959,412	30,716,417
Value of exports .. £.	63,147	96,235	934,575	862,117
Declared value .. per lb.	6.1d.	5.9d.	6.6d.	6.6d.
BACON AND HAM				
Quantity exported .. lb.	145,451	112,869	1,675,969	1,729,053
Value of exports .. £.	9,918	7,216	117,654	119,994
Declared value .. per lb.	1s.4.4d.	1s.7.7d.	1s.4.1d.	1s.3.6d.
EGG CONTENTS				
Quantity exported .. lb.	54,080	-	426,320	654,950
Value of exports .. £.	2,327	-	16,926	23,252
Declared value .. per lb.	9.9d.	-	9.5d.	8.5d.
EGGS				
Quantity exported .. doz.	291,286	69,084	11,287,363	10,144,337
Value of exports .. £.	22,171	4,850	686,713	602,149
Declared value .. per doz.	1s.6.3d.	1s.4.1d.	1s.7.8d.	1s.1.8d.
Australian Retail rice (a) .. per doz.	1s.8.8d.	1s.7.5d.	1s.7.3d.	2s.0.9d.

(a) Weighted average six capitals.