



VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES PRODUCED AUSTRALIA, 1983-84, FIRST ESTIMATES

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MAIN FEATURES

The gross value of agricultural commodities produced for 1983-84, at almost \$15,000m showed a 28% increase over 1982-83. Major contributors to this total, wheat (\$3,408m) and livestock products (\$3,493m) showed increases of 121% and 9% respectively over 1982-83 while the other major contributor, livestock slaughtering (\$3,391m) showed a slight decline.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

This publication contains first estimates of the gross value of agricultural commodities produced, for States and Australia, for the year 1983-84 together with comparative figures for Australia for the two preceding years.

- The estimates in this publication are, for most commodities, derived from preliminary quantity data collected in the 1983-84 Agricultural Census, valued at estimated 1983-84 price quotations current as at May 1984.
- Gross value of commodities produced** is the value placed on recorded production at wholesale prices realised in the market place. In general, the 'market place' is the metropolitan market in each State. In cases where commodities are consumed locally, or where they become raw material for a secondary industry, these points are presumed to be the market place.

Period covered

- The period covered in this publication for crops refers, in general, to the season ended 31 March, and for the remaining commodities, refers to the year ended 30 June. For all commodities, values are in respect of production during the year (or season) irrespective of whether or when that production is actually marketed or when payments are made. For that portion of production not marketed (e.g. hay grown on farm for own use, milk used in farm household, etc.) estimates are made from the best available information and valued on a local value basis.

Related publications

- More detailed statistics on the value of agricultural commodities produced are provided in the following publications:

Value of Agricultural Commodities Produced, Australia, 1983-84 Second Estimates (7502.0). This publication is expected to be released in February 1985.

Value of Agricultural Commodities Produced, Australia, 1981-82 (7503.0) currently available. The 1982-83 issue of this publication is expected to be released in August 1984.

- In addition to the information contained in these publications, agricultural statistics for small areas and for previous years are available on request. Small area statistics are also available on magnetic tape and microfiche. In certain cases these additional services are subject to a charge.

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Symbols and other usages

- p preliminary, series subject to revision
— nil or rounded to zero

- Where figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.
- The figures shown in this publication have been revised where necessary and as a consequence may not agree with similar data shown in previous publications.

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TABLE 1. GROSS VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES PRODUCED, 1983-84p
(\$ m)

	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.(a)
Crops—							
Cereals for grain—							
Barley	171.8	143.3	90.2	291.6	143.6	5.5	846.0
Grain sorghum	46.0	—	161.2	—	0.5	0.4	208.1
Oats	116.5	33.7	4.2	28.8	62.7	3.2	249.2
Rice	85.4	—	4.3	—	0.1	—	89.9
Wheat	1,388.2	614.7	299.4	437.1	668.6	—	3,408.4
Other	18.9	3.1	36.3	4.2	1.2	—	63.9
Apples	25.3	37.6	17.6	11.4	15.4	26.5	133.9
Grapes	42.2	91.6	5.2	73.7	4.9	—	217.6
Other fruit and nuts	128.7	74.6	118.5	65.8	19.5	2.0	409.1
Cotton	208.5	—	58.5	—	—	—	266.9
Crops for hay	6.3	28.7	1.9	16.9	37.4	0.6	91.9
Legumes mainly for grain	18.1	17.3	22.1	15.1	64.3	0.3	137.1
Pastures and grasses	69.2	144.8	35.0	53.4	32.2	12.1	347.6
Potatoes	44.5	108.6	44.0	29.5	20.9	25.9	273.4
Tomatoes	13.1	8.0	66.4	11.0	4.2	1.0	103.8
Other vegetables	65.9	58.7	87.8	48.9	31.8	25.6	319.3
Sugar cane cut for crushing	24.4	—	483.3	—	0.3	—	507.9
Tobacco (dried leaf)	4.0	25.0	38.7	—	0.8	—	67.8
All other crops	96.5	88.5	123.3	23.9	16.7	20.6	370.3
Total crops	2,573.5	1,478.2	1,697.9	1,111.3	1,124.4	123.7	8,112.1
Livestock slaughtering(s)—							
Cattle and calves	468.2	305.1	882.1	112.7	138.7	56.3	2,039.5
Sheep and lambs	(c)145.1	175.8	(c)18.1	83.5	117.6	20.5	561.9
Pigs	81.9	131.2	81.6	46.7	35.3	7.8	385.7
Poultry	(d)182.2	74.3	50.0	52.1	37.6	7.0	404.2
Total livestock slaughtering(s)	877.3	686.4	1,031.8	295.0	329.2	91.7	3,391.3
Livestock products—							
Wool	673.8	378.4	176.9	289.4	421.3	62.0	2,003.0
Milk	255.1	584.2	150.0	72.9	51.9	71.1	(e)1,185.3
Eggs	115.2	66.9	39.2	25.2	24.0	7.2	(f)280.6
Honey and beeswax	8.3	1.8	3.0	2.9	(g)2.6	1.2	19.9
Total livestock products	1,052.4	1,031.3	369.2	390.5	499.8	141.3	(h)3,493.3
Total agriculture	4,503.3	3,196.0	3,098.9	1,796.8	1,953.5	356.8	14,997.0

(a) Includes the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory. (b) Includes net exports of livestock. Data on border crossings between New South Wales and Victoria was not available for 1983-84. Consequently, no adjustments for net exports or imports of livestock between these States has been made. (c) Data on border crossings between New South Wales and Queensland estimated for 1983-84. (d) Includes the Australian Capital Territory. (e) Excludes the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory. (f) Excludes the Australian Capital Territory. (g) Includes pollen. (h) Excludes Northern Territory milk. Includes Australian Capital Territory milk and eggs.

TABLE 2. GROSS VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES PRODUCED, AUSTRALIA
(\$ m)

	1981-82	1982-83p	1983-84p	% change 1983-84 on 1982-83
Crops—				
Cereals for grain—				
Barley	463.4	299.8	846.0	182.2
Grain sorghum	140.1	152.2	208.1	36.7
Oats	155.7	115.6	249.2	115.6
Rice	103.5	91.4	89.9	-1.6
Wheat	2,599.4	1,539.3	3,408.4	121.4
Other	50.5	52.4	63.9	21.9
Apples	124.2	139.5	133.9	-4.0
Grapes	222.8	220.3	217.6	-1.2
Other fruit and nuts	340.3	362.2	409.1	12.9
Cotton	182.0	160.4	266.9	66.4
Crops for hay	77.1	98.8	91.9	-7.0
Legumes mainly for grain	44.0	41.0	137.1	234.4
Pastures and grasses	313.8	312.1	347.6	11.4
Potatoes	180.7	166.1	273.4	64.1
Tomatoes	78.9	96.2	103.8	7.9
Other vegetables	284.7	300.9	319.3	6.1
Sugar cane cut for crushing	590.2	509.4	507.9	-0.3
Tobacco (dried leaf)	58.9	59.3	67.8	14.3
All other crops	291.7	285.2	370.3	29.9
Total crops	6,311.9	5,002.6	8,112.1	62.2
Livestock slaughtering(s) (a)—				
Cattle and calves	1,890.1	2,079.4	2,039.5	-1.9
Sheep and lambs	646.7	574.3	561.9	-2.1
Pigs	396.1	415.5	385.7	-7.2
Poultry	362.7	820.4	404.2	-3.9
Total livestock slaughtering(s)	3,295.6	3,489.6	3,391.3	-2.8
Livestock products—				
Wool	1,788.7	1,765.8	2,003.0	13.4
Milk	(b)1,033.9	(b)1,148.7	(b)1,185.3	3.2
Eggs	(c)253.4	(c)273.9	(c)280.6	2.4
Honey and beeswax	20.2	16.5	19.9	20.6
Total livestock products	(d)3,100.6	(d)3,210.2	(d)3,493.3	8.8
Total agriculture	12,708.2	11,702.4	14,997.0	28.2

(a) Includes net exports of livestock. (b) Excludes the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory. (c) Excludes the Australian Capital Territory. (d) Excludes Northern Territory milk. Includes Australian Capital Territory milk and eggs.