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PRODUCTION SUMMARY NO. 55 : BUTTER AND CHEESE
AUSTRALIA : MARCH 1975

The figures for 1971-72 are derived from the Annual Factory Census. All other annual figures are derived from the recorded monthly production and are subject to revision.

TABLE 1. - PRODUCTION OF FACTORY BUTTER (a)
(*000 kilograms)

Period	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Australia
1971-72	19,325	129,897	18,022	6,196	5,937	16,029	195,406
1972-73	17,541	128,029	15,857	5,161	5,349	12,921	184,857
1973-74	13,287	127,730	11,699	5,160	5,223	12,398	175,497
1974 -							
February	1,159	8,873	1,184	271	106	1,140	12,733
March	768	6,017	898	234	91	837	8,846
April	558	3,364	734	265	99	564	5,584
May	415	2,621	481	426	239	404	4,586
June	320	2,681	411	361	419	238	4,431
July	423	5,608	505	429	552	317	7,834
August	494	9,987	383	460	586	631	12,540
September	750	13,299	678	533	702	1,152	17,114
October	1,159	17,130	991	604	767	1,554	22,206
November	1,197	18,472	1,117	549	718	1,843	23,896
December	1,385	17,461	1,298	477	548	1,722	22,840
1975 -							
January	1,141	17,638	1,373	327	293	1,574	18,346
February	615	8,620	977	212	114	1,164	11,702
March	861	6,511	1,035	177	89	833	9,507
1973-74 : July to Mar.	11,994	119,064	10,072	4,108	4,466	11,192	160,897
1974-75 : July to Mar.	8,026	110,725	8,358	3,719	4,367	10,790	145,985

(a) Includes the butter equivalent of butter oil production. The sources of figures are the Commonwealth Dairy Produce Equalisation Committee Ltd and the State Departments of Agriculture.

TABLE 2. - PRODUCTION OF NON-PROCESSED CHEESE (a)
(*000 kilograms)

Period	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Australia
1971-72	7,486	38,788	8,251	18,444	1,979	5,923	80,871
1972-73	9,262	49,001	8,753	17,315	1,870	7,240	93,441
1973-74	9,365	47,903	9,225	18,904	1,922	8,475	95,793
1974 -							
February	828	3,505	825	822	93	840	6,913
March	725	2,921	690	546	14	498	5,395
April	635	1,766	518	543	21	289	3,773
May	576	1,262	425	895	(b)	(b)	3,438
June	508	1,397	418	1,381	(b)	(b)	3,889
July	639	2,170	552	1,664	(b)	(b)	5,532
August	667	3,471	533	2,026	(b)	(b)	7,633
September	880	5,064	714	2,410	(b)	(b)	10,459
October	1,047	6,349	1,033	2,701	(b)	(b)	12,983
November	1,058	6,276	1,088	2,496	(b)	(b)	12,881
December	1,074	5,579	1,200	1,984	(b)	(b)	11,744
1975 -							
January	818	4,651	1,135	1,339	(b)	(b)	9,780
February	670	3,387	850	714	(b)	(b)	6,990
March	811	2,834	859	522	(b)	(b)	5,980
1973-74 : July to Mar.	7,646	43,477	7,864	16,085	1,564	8,057	84,693
1974-75 : July to Mar.	7,665	39,781	7,964	15,857	(b)	(b)	83,981

(a) As reported by Commonwealth Dairy Produce Equalisation Committee Ltd., and by producers not within Equalisation Scheme. (b) Not available for publication.

TABLE 3. - STOCKS, SALES AND EXPORTS OF BUTTER AND CHEESE : AUSTRALIA
(^{000 kilograms})

Period	Stocks in main cold stores at end of period (a)		Sales for consumption in Australia (b)		Exports during period (c)			
					To United Kingdom		Total exports	
	Butter	Cheese	Butter	Cheese	Butter	Cheese	Butter	Cheese
1971-72	17,399	3,730	112,041	45,148	11,116	4,544	57,270	33,430
1972-73	9,011	5,626	109,000	50,374	32,505	882	75,458	29,569
1973-74	11,991	6,001	104,189	43,189	36	23	57,671	38,004
1974 -								
February	32,493	9,557	7,584	2,786	..	..	8,726	6,158
March	30,022	8,969	8,284	4,643	..	2	6,206	3,338
April	24,245	8,181	8,554	3,339	..	..	4,154	3,643
May	17,618	7,059	10,517	3,694	..	..	2,310	1,756
June	11,991	6,001	6,936	6,633	..	..	3,357	1,955
July	9,326	5,971	8,978	9,433	..	..	1,904	3,686
August	8,420	6,565	9,193	2,926	..	..	2,500	2,258
September	12,762	8,480	7,994	3,358	..	..	1,271	2,203
October	20,121	9,391	8,310	4,130	..	..	5,359	2,856
November	29,061	9,804	10,253	13,921	..	..	2,710	4,866
December	37,144	11,096	7,195	3,610	..	..	3,255	2,355
1975 -								
January	45,928	11,053	7,225	2,807	..	..	3,224	3,785
February	47,783	10,706	6,724	2,916	..	..	4,287	2,455
March	47,211	10,255	6,623	2,749	..	..	1,734	4,489
1973-74 : July to Mar.	30,022	8,969	78,182	29,523	36	23	47,850	30,650
1974-75 : July to Mar.	47,211	10,255	72,495	45,350	..	..	26,243	28,953

(a) As reported by the Australian Dairy Produce Board. (b) Sales by Commonwealth Dairy Produce Equalisation Committee Ltd. Figures are not truly indicative of consumption trends because of forward buying in some years in anticipation of price increases. (c) Actual quantity exported compiled from Overseas Trade Statistics.

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