

LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS, AUSTRALIA JULY 1989

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MAIN FEATURES

Livestock slaughtering

Livestock slaughtering in July 1989 rose in all categories except cows and heifers and pigs when compared with June 1989. A 26.2 per cent increase in the number of calf slaughtering in July is mainly attributable to Victoria where calf slaughtering increased by 40.5 per cent on June 1989. Sheep slaughtering in Queensland increased by more than 60 per cent on last month to the highest monthly level since 1980. This increase is associated with the opening of a new abattoir.

*Percentage change
July 1989 on
June 1989 July 1988*

Bulls, bullocks and steers	+0.6	+25.0
Cows and heifers	-0.1	-4.3
Calves	+26.2	+9.2
Sheep	+8.3	+28.9
Lambs	+6.2	+12.9
Pigs	-7.2	+3.2

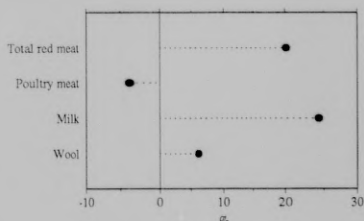
Red meat production

In seasonally adjusted terms, total red meat production in July 1989 increased by 1.9 per cent on last month to 203,143 tonnes. Increased production occurred for mutton (11.5 per cent) and beef (1.8 per cent). In original terms, total red meat production increased by 2.4 per cent in July compared with June 1989 to 200,322 tonnes. This level is 20.2 per cent higher than July 1988.

Pork exports

Significant revisions are shown in this issue for pork exports in Table 3, Exports of Fresh, Frozen and Processed Meat, Australia. The revisions are due to a classification error. Further information is available by contacting the ABS on Canberra 52 5337.

% CHANGE CURRENT MONTH ON 1988



Whole milk intake

In both seasonally adjusted and actual terms, whole milk intake by factories in June 1989 decreased on May 1989 but increased on June 1988. Actual intake for June decreased by 12.3 per cent to 308 million litres when compared with last month. Whole milk intake by factories increased in 1988-89 by 2.6 per cent to 6,290 million litres.

Brokers' and dealers' receipts of taxable wool

Brokers' and dealers' receipts of taxable wool for June 1989 decreased by 10.5 per cent on May 1989 but increased by 24.4 per cent on June 1988. However, in seasonally adjusted terms, receipts of taxable wool increased by 20 per cent in June 1989 compared with May. The receipts of taxable wool increased in 1988-89 by 5.5 per cent to 889,402 tonnes compared with 1987-88 (at 843,114 tonnes).

TABLE 1. NUMBERS OF LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED ('000)

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	Aust.	% Change 1989 on 1988
BULLS, BULLOCKS AND STEERS (a)								
1986-87	818.6	666.2	1,483.2	264.2	268.8	103.9	3,696.0	—
1987-88	988.9	686.3	1,478.8	282.7	277.2	105.1	3,920.0	—
1988-89p	923.6	751.4	1,388.7	259.4	244.7	96.4	3,770.7	—
1988								
May	67.6	56.9	115.9	22.0	22.0	8.2	300.6	—
June	70.3	50.6	131.0	18.7	22.7	7.3	311.2	—
July	59.2	42.1	117.8	12.2	19.9	7.0	273.6	—
1989p								
May	76.3	69.1	119.6	20.5	23.4	10.4	328.5	9.3
June	78.9	63.3	136.3	19.1	22.5	10.4	339.9	9.2
July	75.1	61.1	138.4	22.1	22.8	10.1	342.0	25.0
COWS AND HEIFERS (a)								
1986-87	892.2	708.2	971.3	166.0	200.8	68.9	3,067.4	—
1987-88	858.4	650.8	1,001.8	142.2	204.4	76.8	3,008.6	—
1988-89p	686.9	498.6	766.2	125.4	195.0	63.2	2,402.7	—
1988								
May	60.9	55.8	111.3	14.6	12.8	9.1	274.6	—
June	61.2	45.0	110.3	9.9	16.8	6.9	262.5	—
July	51.1	45.4	84.4	6.3	16.7	4.2	219.4	—
1989p								
May	60.1	41.0	73.3	11.0	15.7	7.6	216.0	-21.3
June	54.3	36.8	74.2	10.6	16.2	8.0	210.3	-19.9
July	50.1	38.2	75.0	12.5	19.8	6.5	210.0	-4.3
TOTAL CATTLE (a)								
1986-87	1,710.8	1,374.4	2,454.5	430.2	469.6	172.7	6,763.4	—
1987-88	1,847.3	1,337.1	2,480.6	424.9	481.7	181.9	6,928.7	—
1988-89p	1,610.5	1,250.1	2,154.9	384.8	439.7	159.6	6,173.3	—
1988								
May	128.6	112.6	227.1	36.6	34.8	17.3	575.1	—
June	131.5	95.7	241.3	28.6	39.5	14.2	573.8	—
July	110.3	87.5	202.3	18.4	36.6	11.2	493.1	—
1989p								
May	136.5	110.2	193.0	31.5	39.1	18.0	544.5	-5.3
June	133.2	100.1	210.5	29.7	38.7	18.4	550.2	-4.1
July	125.2	99.2	213.4	34.6	42.6	16.6	552.1	12.0
CALVES (a)								
1986-87	225.4	706.6	208.6	31.4	12.5	32.2	1,219.7	—
1987-88	193.1	716.8	192.8	28.3	12.7	35.6	1,182.7	—
1988-89p	149.9	524.2	158.6	23.3	11.8	40.4	910.5	—
1988								
May	14.7	45.2	16.1	2.8	0.8	2.2	82.5	—
June	13.5	65.3	16.9	2.4	2.1	2.0	102.5	—
July	9.9	81.1	13.9	2.0	1.4	2.9	111.5	—
1989p								
May	13.9	37.2	14.5	2.1	1.4	1.8	71.0	-13.9
June	12.8	66.1	12.7	2.0	1.4	1.3	96.5	-5.9
July	10.0	92.9	13.1	1.7	1.5	2.4	121.8	9.2

(a) Domesticated buffaloes slaughtered in the Northern Territory are included in Australian totals.

TABLE 1. NUMBERS OF LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED —continued
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	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	Aust.	% Change 1989 on 1988
SHEEP								
1986-87	4,247.8	3,857.1	700.8	2,121.9	3,043.1	509.7	14,682.5	—
1987-88	4,564.7	3,628.0	695.8	2,214.1	3,167.4	630.0	15,048.3	—
1988-89p	3,660.0	2,724.5	608.3	1,978.6	2,369.7	405.7	11,883.4	—
1988								
May	236.2	140.8	52.3	129.3	101.7	51.9	720.4	—
June	188.0	98.6	50.3	70.5	96.1	43.7	555.7	—
July	187.3	103.8	50.2	102.0	96.1	27.9	575.8	—
1989p								
May	300.2	198.1	58.5	120.8	173.5	35.5	900.7	25.0
June	199.8	163.4	51.9	95.8	130.6	31.3	685.3	23.3
July	185.8	131.4	83.1	148.9	161.2	21.1	742.3	28.9
LAMBS								
1986-87	5,296.2	7,543.0	841.1	1,886.9	1,167.9	670.6	17,696.9	—
1987-88	5,112.4	7,162.3	914.1	1,939.5	1,141.5	656.0	17,239.1	—
1988-89p	4,968.4	6,058.5	952.1	2,012.2	1,004.5	603.5	16,017.2	—
1988								
May	443.1	515.0	68.6	157.9	31.9	37.5	1,277.9	—
June	406.1	451.6	80.2	89.8	28.2	51.0	1,134.1	—
July	387.9	452.5	80.4	111.6	58.9	48.0	1,166.3	—
1989p								
May	388.2	512.8	81.7	154.9	60.2	44.7	1,280.9	0.2
June	426.4	444.6	85.9	148.0	52.9	51.5	1,239.6	9.3
July	423.0	471.5	82.6	176.7	87.9	42.5	1,316.8	12.9
PIGS								
1986-87	1,509.1	848.8	1,075.4	642.5	502.4	89.6	4,735.6	—
1987-88	1,596.0	938.2	1,113.5	602.2	507.6	97.5	4,923.3	—
1988-89p	1,522.1	926.6	1,149.7	658.7	504.7	92.8	4,930.0	—
1988								
May	139.1	72.2	100.8	55.2	45.7	7.8	426.6	—
June	146.4	73.4	104.2	52.3	47.2	9.3	440.0	—
July	123.1	76.9	91.4	48.8	42.2	7.5	395.9	—
1989p								
May	124.3	82.7	97.6	60.3	49.4	7.4	429.2	0.6
June	150.2	76.5	102.0	59.9	37.1	8.6	440.4	0.1
July	148.1	68.4	88.1	53.8	38.3	6.7	408.5	3.2

(a) Domesticated buffaloes slaughtered in the Northern Territory are included in Australian totals.

TABLE 2. RED MEAT PRODUCED (a)
(Tonnes carcass weight)

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	Australia		
							Total	% Change 1989 on 1988	Seasonally adjusted
BEEF (b)									
1986-87	350,397	297,932	582,478	90,283	94,521	37,780	1,480,737	—	—
1987-88	391,834	294,879	599,511	91,701	100,670	39,479	1,549,493	—	—
1988-89p	309,380	276,523	531,699	77,898	89,930	30,843	1,344,083	—	—
1988									
May	26,890	24,313	54,073	7,631	6,599	3,555	126,250	—	117,905
June	27,821	20,322	57,878	6,141	7,163	2,887	126,283	—	118,937
July	23,642	18,657	49,037	3,911	7,271	2,391	108,004	—	99,634
1989p									
May	30,193	24,775	51,093	7,410	8,260	4,097	128,670	1.9	115,675
June	29,218	21,960	55,406	6,921	8,035	4,204	128,680	1.9	122,807
July	28,390	22,190	56,904	8,084	8,992	3,894	132,035	22.3	125,013
VEAL									
1986-87	11,554	14,750	9,711	1,195	831	1,379	39,631	—	—
1987-88	10,986	14,227	9,385	1,117	822	1,791	38,542	—	—
1988-89p	9,536	17,179	10,809	1,415	841	914	40,840	—	—
1988									
May	899	882	822	104	45	155	2,956	—	3,008
June	770	1,285	844	89	128	156	3,292	—	2,899
July	522	1,502	708	78	93	106	3,032	—	2,347
1989p									
May	860	813	675	75	87	203	2,720	-8.0	2,555
June	772	1,374	560	92	88	139	3,031	-7.9	2,872
July	769	1,832	591	73	97	149	3,525	16.3	2,609
MUTTON									
1986-87	84,463	76,579	13,618	43,934	55,212	9,957	287,645	—	—
1987-88	90,270	72,946	13,166	45,562	58,083	11,645	294,591	—	—
1988-89p	62,626	78,997	10,602	41,507	52,018	9,382	257,990	—	—
1988									
May	4,581	2,826	1,003	2,525	1,875	940	13,922	—	17,383
June	3,584	1,966	948	1,417	1,748	801	10,645	—	16,474
July	3,747	2,024	959	2,068	1,784	507	11,268	—	17,216
1989p									
May	6,319	3,929	1,150	2,447	3,191	715	18,045	29.6	21,901
June	4,263	3,301	1,017	2,003	2,373	628	13,850	30.1	21,223
July	4,000	2,691	1,715	3,009	2,983	402	15,015	33.3	23,667
LAMB									
1986-87	88,551	130,034	13,378	32,416	16,819	10,423	296,474	—	—
1987-88	86,893	125,918	14,787	34,335	17,133	10,214	294,402	—	—
1988-89p	108,827	134,396	14,676	31,485	15,658	10,298	320,268	—	—
1988									
May	7,684	9,577	1,151	2,807	464	579	22,652	—	23,304
June	7,039	8,195	1,326	1,548	407	788	19,693	—	21,993
July	6,741	8,216	1,344	1,939	884	735	20,289	—	22,714
1989p									
May	6,854	9,368	1,387	3,012	921	720	22,898	1.1	21,570
June	7,689	8,350	1,470	2,724	813	823	22,368	13.6	26,325
July	7,385	8,570	1,408	3,230	1,301	702	23,124	14.0	25,872

TABLE 2. RED MEAT PRODUCED (a) —continued
(Tonnes carcass weight)

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	Total	Australia	
								% Change 1989 on 1988	Seasonally adjusted
PIGMEAT									
1986-87	90,638	47,310	66,429	40,761	28,119	5,491	282,796	—	—
1987-88	96,894	54,327	69,454	36,671	29,393	5,973	296,769	—	—
1988-89p	77,901	57,823	63,724	37,432	25,967	4,665	270,914	—	—
1988									
May	8,489	4,329	6,479	3,410	2,633	478	26,151	—	25,407
June	8,795	4,339	6,695	3,158	2,825	574	26,814	—	25,128
July	7,343	4,469	5,835	3,005	2,531	475	24,022	—	23,445
1989p									
May	6,934	5,775	6,091	3,851	2,887	453	26,447	1.1	24,743
June	9,147	5,269	6,339	3,847	2,179	538	27,687	3.3	26,219
July	9,123	5,552	5,499	3,516	2,197	412	26,622	10.8	25,981
TOTAL RED MEAT									
1986-87	625,602	566,604	685,614	208,590	195,503	65,030	2,387,282	—	—
1987-88	676,877	562,297	706,303	209,386	206,102	69,102	2,473,798	—	—
1988-89p	568,270	564,917	631,509	189,736	184,414	56,102	2,234,096	—	—
1988									
May	48,543	41,927	63,528	16,475	11,617	5,707	191,931	—	187,007
June	48,009	36,107	67,691	12,354	12,271	5,206	186,726	—	185,430
July	41,995	34,868	57,883	11,001	12,563	4,214	166,615	—	165,357
1989p									
May	51,160	44,660	60,395	16,795	15,346	6,187	198,779	3.6	186,445
June	51,089	40,254	64,792	15,586	13,488	6,332	195,615	4.8	199,445
July	49,668	40,835	66,116	17,911	15,570	5,558	200,322	20.2	203,147

(a) Red meat is shown in carcass weight and excludes offal. (b) Buffalo meat produced in the Northern Territory is included in Australian totals.

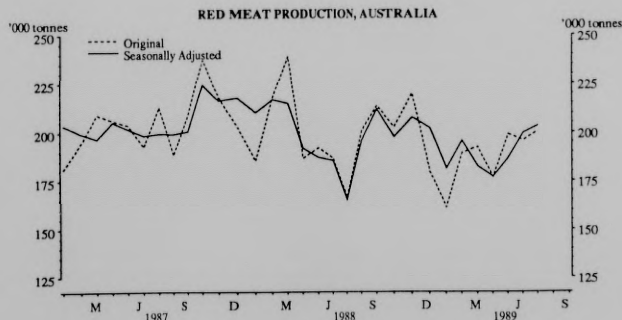


TABLE 3. EXPORTS OF FRESH, FROZEN AND PROCESSED MEAT(a), AUSTRALIA
(tonnes)

	Fresh, chilled or frozen										Bacon and ham(d)	Canned meat(e)
	Beef(b)(c)		Veal(b)		Mutton(b)		Lamb		Pork			
	Bone-in	Bone-out	Bone-in	Bone-out	Bone-in	Bone-out	Bone-in	Bone-out				
1986-87	4,646	555,278	2,064	3,526	49,914	57,887	53,667	1,503	3,881	521	13,931	
1987-88	11,162	624,022	1,215	5,025	47,254	61,192	48,853	2,492	8,231	240	7,718	
1988-89p	47,289	493,264	958	5,349	32,634	53,686	34,920	2,661	6,621	39	8,109	
1987-88												
April	1,237	54,517	55	314	3,794	5,779	4,378	139	583	3	533	
May	1,450	57,749	42	477	5,586	5,003	3,555	311	784	1	563	
June	1,517	53,326	81	394	2,116	3,782	3,768	195	1,064	20	590	
1988-89p												
April	4,726	39,398	57	239	5,164	5,010	2,693	310	834	—	459	
May	4,347	47,484	43	218	2,716	6,669	2,973	230	496	4	439	
June	4,268	46,577	82	259	1,968	3,434	2,694	172	553	4	1,240	

(a) Excludes offal. (b) Factors can be applied to beef, veal, mutton and lamb bone-out figures to derive bone-in carcass weight which, when added to bone-in figures, shows total exports in carcass weight. The factor for beef and veal is 1.5 and that for mutton and lamb 2.0 (Source: Australian Meat and Livestock Corporation). (c) Includes buffalo meat. (d) Cured carcass weight of smoked or cooked bacon and ham. Includes stated net weight of packs of canned bacon and ham. (e) Canned weight. Excludes canned bacon and ham.

TABLE 4. STOCKS OF FROZEN MEAT(a), AUSTRALIA
(Source: Australian Meat and Livestock Corporation)
(tonnes)

<i>At last Saturday of</i>	<i>Beef(b) and veal</i>	<i>Mutton</i>	<i>Lamb</i>	<i>Pork</i>	<i>Goat</i>	<i>Offal</i>	<i>Total</i>
June, 1988	32,374	5,381	1,366	3,949	7,544	8,821	59,435
June, 1989	34,970	6,588	2,038	2,759	8,314	10,310	64,979

(a) Held in cold stores registered to handle meat for export, and includes meat passed for (i) export, (ii) canning and (iii) other purposes. Includes boneless and carcass meat. (b) Includes buffalo meat.

TABLE 5. PRODUCTION OF BACON AND HAM(a)(b)
(tonnes)

	<i>NSW</i>		<i>Vic.</i>		<i>Qld</i>		<i>SA</i>		<i>WA</i>		<i>Tas</i>		<i>Aust.</i>	
	<i>Bone-in</i>	<i>Bone-out</i>	<i>Bone-in</i>	<i>Bone-out</i>	<i>Bone-in</i>	<i>Bone-out</i>	<i>Bone-in</i>	<i>Bone-out</i>	<i>Bone-in</i>	<i>Bone-out</i>	<i>Bone-in</i>	<i>Bone-out</i>	<i>Bone-in</i>	<i>Bone-out</i>
1986-87	3,231	14,824	2,980	16,635	4,591	16,740	1,497	9,932	966	7,537	218	1,834	13,482	67,502
1987-88	3,336	18,106	3,138	15,366	4,139	17,768	2,297	7,787	698	7,687	247	1,755	13,855	68,469
1988-89p	4,072	22,061	3,244	14,994	3,737	18,449	650	4,629	659	8,742	152	1,697	12,514	70,571
<i>1988</i>														
April	129	1,235	217	1,025	198	1,340	13	493	21	579	7	149	586	4,821
May	134	1,605	232	1,291	180	1,442	19	567	20	608	8	119	594	5,632
June	131	1,790	236	1,338	193	1,735	26	299	19	593	11	156	617	5,912
<i>1989p</i>														
April	108	1,690	210	1,071	242	1,375	23	408	17	658	5	117	605	5,319
May	78	1,661	259	1,309	259	1,368	32	439	24	802	7	121	658	5,700
June	98	1,851	259	1,298	179	1,665	14	377	26	669	10	120	587	5,981

(a) Production of bacon and ham on the bone is shown in terms of bone-in weight while production of boneless bacon and ham is shown in terms of bone-out weight. Production of canned bacon and ham, which is reported in terms of stated net weight of packs, is included in the bone-out category. (b) Excludes the production by single establishment manufacturing enterprises employing less than four persons and establishments predominantly engaged in non-manufacturing activities, but which may carry on some manufacturing activity.

TABLE 6. CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED (a)
(*000)

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Aust.(b)(c)
1986-87	101,479.4	62,466.3	46,374.7	28,523.9	25,967.9	269,333.9
1987-88	103,262.2	68,324.9	46,177.6	28,641.4	27,563.5	273,969.6
1988-89p	111,553.3	61,564.3	46,318.9	25,548.1	26,792.1	271,776.8
1988						
May	8,404.7	5,054.8	3,401.5	2,129.7	2,291.9	21,282.6
June	8,869.2	5,830.4	3,674.6	2,120.1	2,203.7	22,697.9
July	9,444.4	5,125.5	4,341.3	2,155.9	2,274.9	23,341.9
1989p						
May	9,300.1	5,385.3	3,671.2	2,222.6	2,272.0	22,851.3
June	9,358.1	4,907.2	3,485.7	2,174.0	2,109.7	22,034.7
July	8,401.7	5,301.9	4,447.9	2,286.9	2,557.9	22,996.2

(a) Comprises broilers, fryers and roasters. (b) Excludes the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory. (c) Excludes Tasmania after 1987.

TABLE 7. CHICKEN MEAT PRODUCED (a)
(Tonnes carcass weight)

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Aust.(b)(c)
1986-87	134,317	84,646	56,245	33,776	30,336	344,522
1987-88	141,872	96,279	56,466	34,907	32,948	362,472
1988-89p	155,150	96,409	56,673	32,946	31,829	373,007
1988						
May	11,583	6,903	4,249	2,694	2,795	28,224
June	12,703	8,342	4,399	2,673	2,628	30,745
July	13,746	7,061	5,237	2,672	2,694	31,410
1989p						
May	12,923	8,846	4,491	2,816	2,740	31,816
June	13,027	6,757	4,317	2,742	2,565	29,408
July	11,664	7,108	5,434	2,875	3,126	30,208

(a) Chicken meat is shown in dressed weight of whole birds, pieces and giblets. (b) Excludes the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory. (c) Excludes Tasmania after 1987.

Note: Some slaughtering and meat production statistics for 'Ducks and Drakes' and 'Other Fowls and Turkeys' are available by contacting the ABS on Canberra 52 5337 or by writing to PO Box 10, Belconnen ACT 2616 (Attention: Agriculture Section).

TABLE 8. WHOLE MILK INTAKE BY FACTORIES (a)
(Source: Australian Dairy Corporation)
(Million Litres)

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	Aust.	Seasonally adjusted
1986-87	902	3,692	604	374	248	352	6,172	—
1987-88	931	3,649	614	378	251	306	6,129	—
1988-89p	920	3,793	627	371	245	334	6,290	—
1987-88								
May	71	133	50	28	18	7	307	513
June	69	117	47	30	20	7	290	508
1988-89p								
July	71	159	49	32	22	8	341	501
August	80	287	53	36	23	15	494	512
September	84	436	56	41	23	30	670	521
October	89	529	58	45	24	44	789	509
November	82	497	52	39	23	45	738	504
December	85	454	56	35	20	43	693	515
January	85	394	60	29	18	40	626	525
February	71	288	50	22	16	30	477	525
March	73	241	51	22	18	25	430	539
April	68	199	47	18	17	24	373	585
May	67	172	48	24	20	20	351	586
June	65	137	47	28	21	10	308	539
July								
1989-90p	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.

(a) Includes the whole milk equivalent of farm cream intake.

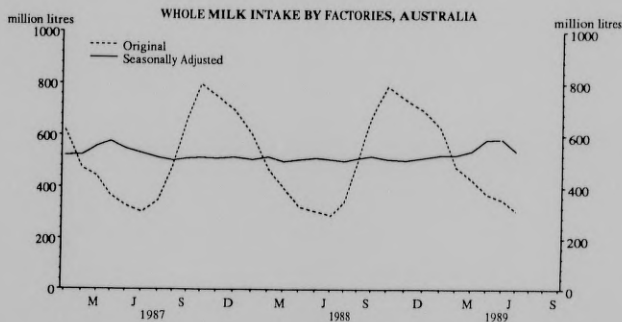


TABLE 9. MARKET MILK SALES BY FACTORIES (a)
(Source: Australian Dairy Corporation)
(Million Litres)

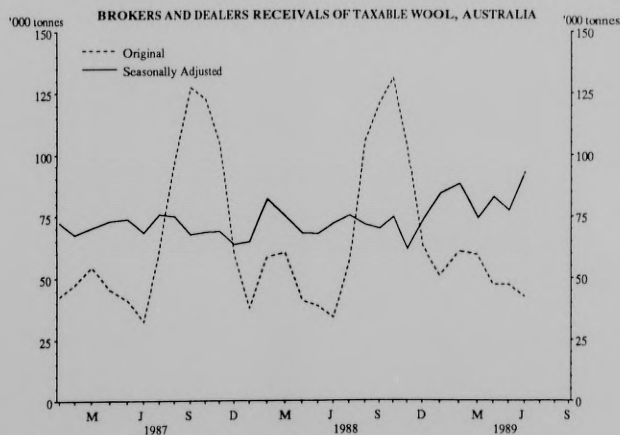
	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	Aust.
1986-87	593	445	294	143	135	45	1,655
1987-88	586	454	300	144	138	44	1,667
1988-89p	567	462	310	148	144	46	1,678
1987-88							
May	50	39	25	12	12	4	142
June	48	39	25	12	12	4	140
1988-89p							
July	48	38	26	12	12	4	140
August	50	39	26	12	12	4	143
September	48	38	26	12	12	4	139
October	49	39	26	12	12	4	142
November	48	38	26	12	12	4	139
December	47	38	26	13	12	4	139
January	47	37	26	12	12	4	137
February	44	36	24	13	12	4	133
March	47	39	27	13	13	4	142
April	46	39	25	12	12	4	138
May	47	42	26	13	13	4	144
June	45	41	26	12	12	4	140
1989-90p							
July	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.

(a) Includes white, flavoured, high and low fat milk, uht milk.

TABLE 10. BROKERS AND DEALERS RECEIVALS OF TAXABLE WOOL
(Tonnes)

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	Australia		
							Total	% of Total received by brokers (a)	Seasonally adjusted
1986-87	199,783	237,636	70,306	101,417	182,999	21,903	814,044	76.9	—
1987-88	222,800	230,709	75,818	110,670	184,222	18,895	843,114	84.0	—
1988-89p	243,055	240,997	75,218	109,544	202,315	18,273	889,402	85.1	—
1987-88									
May	14,446	6,726	7,078	4,235	5,147	1,063	38,695	86.8	67,881
June	12,947	5,927	5,629	3,647	5,477	480	34,107	85.6	72,037
1988-89p									
July	15,646	11,916	6,826	7,829	13,620	818	56,656	85.0	75,150
August	27,214	26,068	7,800	17,340	25,611	1,625	105,658	85.0	71,499
September	29,342	33,992	7,525	17,850	30,020	2,226	120,956	85.3	69,870
October	32,566	41,992	7,707	16,761	30,428	1,698	131,152	85.0	74,613
November	27,597	33,601	4,309	11,370	24,163	2,429	103,468	83.7	61,639
December	17,343	24,517	3,076	5,366	10,911	1,921	63,134	84.2	73,000
January	15,948	15,171	4,390	4,125	9,508	1,819	50,961	87.3	84,064
February	17,392	13,281	6,379	6,615	14,983	2,158	60,808	87.7	87,934
March	16,481	11,638	7,948	6,440	16,791	155	59,452	85.2	74,122
April	11,737	10,593	5,807	6,335	11,730	1,134	47,336	83.8	82,643
May	16,402	10,785	6,029	5,209	7,091	1,888	47,404	86.2	77,121
June	15,389	7,442	7,422	4,304	7,456	403	42,417	84.1	92,545
July	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.

(a) Members of the National Council of Wool Selling Brokers of Australia.



EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

This publication contains information (preliminary where indicated) on livestock slaughterings, meat production, exports of fresh, frozen and processed meat and stocks of frozen meat, whole milk intake by factories, market milk sales by factories and receipts of taxable wool by wool brokers and dealers.

Livestock slaughterings and meat production

2. The statistics on slaughterings and meat production are based on a monthly collection from abattoirs and other major slaughtering establishments and include estimates of animals slaughtered on farms and by country butchers and other small slaughtering establishments.

3. Care should be taken when using this information as the figures only relate to slaughterings for human consumption and do not include animals condemned or those killed for boiling down. Also, definitions of livestock categories may differ between States and within States, particularly with regard to calves.

4. Poultry slaughtering statistics have been compiled from returns supplied by commercial poultry slaughtering establishments. Producers in the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory and the many very small producers are excluded from the collection; however, the statistics represent a high level of coverage. The Queensland statistics are based on data collected by the Queensland Department of Primary Industries.

Milk

5. Tables 8 and 9 contain statistics collected by the Australian Dairy Corporation (ADC) on whole milk intake and market milk sales by factories.

Wool receipts

6. The statistics in Table 10 show the amount of taxable wool received by brokers and dealers from wool producers. It excludes wool received by brokers on which tax has already been paid by other dealers (private buyers) or brokers.

7. The information shown is on the basis of the State in which the wool has actually been received and does not necessarily reflect the production of wool in that State.

Seasonal adjustment

8. Details of seasonally adjusted figures for meat, milk and wool are shown in Tables 2, 8 and 10 respectively. Information on the methods used in seasonally adjusting these series is available on request.

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p	preliminary—figure or series subject to revision
..	not applicable
n.y.a.	not yet available
n.p.	not available for separate publication
—	nil or rounded to zero

11. 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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