

COMMONWEALTH BUREAU OF CENSUS AND STATISTICS, CANBERRA, AUSTRALIA

PRODUCTION SUMMARY NO. 55 : BUTTER AND CHEESE

MARCH 1971

The figures for 1967-68 are those recorded in the Annual Factory Census. derived from the recorded monthly production and are subject to revision.

All subsequent figures are

TABLE 1. - PRODUCTION OF FACTORY BUTTER (a)

('000 lb)

Period	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Australia
1967-68	71,281	241,240	63,546	12,133	13,248	30,865	432,313
1968-69 (b)	52,172	280,206	43,083	14,507	13,937	35,315	439,220
1969-70 (b)	63,881	313,753	50,258	17,268	13,014	36,033	494,206
Months (b) : 1970							
February	6,034	23,639	5,274	1,098	225	3,130	39,399
March	5,369	18,876	4,640	826	226	2,484	32,421
April	3,723	14,510	3,246	948	242	1,716	24,385
May	2,517	10,030	2,363	1,100	582	918	17,510
June	1,959	9,062	2,125	1,278	1,070	730	16,225
July	2,443	15,456	2,268	1,398	1,365	1,165	24,095
August	2,853	27,787	2,530	1,493	1,527	2,365	38,556
September	3,533	35,144	2,667	1,616	1,706	3,339	48,006
October	4,783	42,264	3,579	1,802	1,779	4,214	58,421
November	5,996	42,342	4,989	1,574	1,513	4,618	61,033
December	6,571	38,868	5,735	1,446	1,076	4,525	58,221
1971 January	6,613	31,219	5,537	1,072	525	3,931	48,897
February	4,750	23,578	4,246	797	247	3,340	36,957
March	3,976	18,773	3,894	726	160	2,907	30,436
9 months ended March 1971	41,519	275,431	35,443	11,925	9,899	30,404	404,621
9 months ended March 1970	55,683	280,150	42,524	13,943	11,119	32,668	436,086

(a) Includes the butter equivalent of butter oil production. (b) Source : Commonwealth Dairy Produce Equalisation Committee Ltd., and State Departments of Agriculture.

TABLE 2. - PRODUCTION OF FACTORY CHEESE

('000 lb)

Period	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Australia
1967-68	12,074	73,570	22,181	32,773	4,373	10,414	155,385
1968-69 (a)	12,201	75,256	17,871	42,218	4,458	12,834	164,838
1969-70 (a)	18,705	73,866	20,491	39,437	3,787	11,921	168,206
Months (a) : 1970 February	1,543	5,774	1,826	1,487	104	1,019	11,753
March	1,337	5,471	1,593	1,421	..	698	10,520
April	1,105	4,654	1,149	1,430	28	374	8,740
May	912	2,963	1,054	2,489	232	329	7,978
June	877	2,540	932	3,200	459	135	8,143
July	1,017	4,009	1,090	3,980	495	288	10,877
August	1,159	6,910	1,221	4,515	520	744	15,069
September	1,454	8,821	1,291	5,221	528	1,101	18,416
October	1,916	10,565	1,667	5,754	541	1,660	22,104
November	2,076	10,039	2,062	5,176	506	1,855	21,714
December	2,170	9,287	2,534	4,288	492	1,783	20,555
1971 January	1,918	8,585	2,297	3,176	379	1,507	17,861
February	1,289	6,679	1,396	1,633	121	1,223	12,347
March	1,464	5,904	1,207	1,323	11	1,039	10,949
9 months ended March 1971	14,463	70,798	14,765	35,074	3,592	11,200	149,892
9 months ended March 1970	15,811	63,709	17,356	32,318	3,068	11,082	143,344

(a) As reported by Commonwealth Dairy Produce Equalisation Committee Ltd., and by producers not within Equalisation Scheme.

3.

TABLE 3. - STOCKS, SALES AND EXPORTS OF FACTORY BUTTER AND CHEESE : AUSTRALIA
('000 lb)

Period	Stocks in main cold stores at end of period (a)		Sales for consumption in Australia (b)		Exports during period (c)			
	Butter	Cheese	Australia (b)		To United Kingdom		Total exports	
			Butter	Cheese	Butter	Cheese	Butter	Cheese
1967-68	29,745	7,130	258,050	73,931	125,093	40,852	148,724	76,299
1968-69	27,559	23,914	257,040	77,798	116,303	10,745	166,724	56,104
1969-70	32,782	10,349	255,157	79,770	153,957	33,659	218,164	90,037
Months : 1970 February	52,593	21,560	20,575	6,097	42,305	3,376	48,213	7,960
March	59,559	18,305	21,673	5,691	550	751	4,734	6,705
April	54,790	14,773	22,857	6,973	1,273	2,133	7,023	7,987
May	46,202	13,550	20,910	6,684	3,780	1,879	9,458	5,593
June	32,782	10,349	19,893	7,059	275	1,828	6,407	4,502
July	26,098	9,081	21,038	6,432	2,896	4,667	7,889	9,876
August	19,911	9,872	22,153	6,915	2,318	665	8,157	4,068
September	25,507	13,274	21,635	6,813	19,075	984	25,472	5,439
October	26,374	14,885	22,556	22,196	8,264	1,135	13,650	4,475
November	41,346	15,868	21,787	15,068	5,808	274	13,183	6,612
December	52,539	16,912	18,919	6,369	26,535	2,899	33,079	10,411
1971 January	59,707	18,256	21,600	5,242	22,387	1,146	28,910	6,348
February	58,975	13,720	19,046	5,234	10,670	7,931	14,727	11,928
March	48,312	14,220	23,207	5,285	14,449	2,146	23,610	8,850
9 months ended March 1971	48,312	14,220	191,942	79,554	112,402	21,847	168,677	68,009
9 months ended March 1970	59,559	18,305	191,496	59,054	148,629	27,819	195,276	71,954

(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 Oversea Trade Statistics.

J.P. O'NEILL
ACTING COMMONWEALTH STATISTICIAN

COMMONWEALTH BUREAU OF CENSUS AND STATISTICS
CANBERRA, A.C.T. 2600

20 MAY 1971

NOTE. Inquiries concerning these statistics may be made in Canberra by telephoning 490211 extension 322 or, in each State capital, by telephoning the office of the Deputy Commonwealth Statistician.