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STATISTICAL BULLETIN : CONSUMPTION OF TEA AND COFFEE, AUSTRALIANO. 2 : 1962-63

This bulletin contains particulars of the estimated quantities of tea and coffee available for consumption (i.e. the apparent consumption) during the years 1958-59 to 1962-63. Consumption data have, in general, been obtained by deducting quantities of these commodities exported from imports cleared for home consumption. An adjustment has been made for changes in stocks held by firms which imported tea and coffee products in each of the years ended 30th June. Stocks held by retailers have, for the most part, been excluded.

TEA

Total apparent consumption of tea in 1962-63 increased slightly over the previous year, but consumption per head remained steady at 5.8 lb.

Particulars of the net change in stocks, imports cleared, exports and apparent consumption are shown in the following table for the five years 1958-59 to 1962-63.

TABLE 1. - SUPPLIES AND UTILIZATION OF TEA : AUSTRALIA

('000 lb.)

Particulars	1958-59	1959-60	1960-61	1961-62	1962-63
Net change in Stocks (a)	(+)2,889	(+) 314	(-) 676	(+)1,324	(+) 318
Imports cleared	62,400	62,357	61,701	63,866	64,367
<u>TOTAL SUPPLIES</u>	59,511	62,043	62,377	62,542	64,049
Exports	1,330	1,496	1,267	1,393	1,463
Apparent Consumption - TOTAL	58,181	60,547	61,110	61,149	62,586
- Per head (lb.)	5.8	6.0	5.9	5.8	5.8

(a) Held by importers of tea.

COFFEE

The basic information on stocks, imports cleared and exports of coffee covers a variety of coffee products such as raw beans, pure processed whole or ground coffee, instant coffee, etc. For the purpose of obtaining apparent consumption of coffee, these commodities have been converted to the pure processed whole or ground coffee equivalent, and it is on this basis that details are shown in Table 2.

Owing primarily to the inclusion of information relating to changes in stocks in calculating apparent consumption since 1960-61, data relating to the consumption of coffee for the years since then are not strictly comparable with particulars for 1959-60 and earlier years.

The apparent consumption of coffee per head in 1962-63, at 2.0 lb., was the same as consumption in the previous year, although total consumption increased slightly.

Data relating to the supply and utilization of coffee for the years 1958-59 to 1962-63 are shown in Table 2.

TABLE 2. - SUPPLIES AND UTILIZATION OF COFFEE (a) : AUSTRALIA

('000 lb.)

Particulars	1958-59	1959-60	1960-61	1961-62	1962-63
Net change in Stocks (b)	(c)	(c)	(+)4,358	(-)1,316	(-)1,149
Imports cleared	16,158	18,303	22,592	20,386	20,592
<u>TOTAL SUPPLIES</u>	16,158	18,303	18,234	21,702	21,741
Exports	197	329	355	335	199
Apparent Consumption - TOTAL	15,961	17,974	17,879	21,367	21,542
- Per head (lb.)	1.6	1.7	1.7	2.0	2.0

(a) In terms of pure processed whole or ground coffee. (b) Held by importers of coffee.
(c) Not available.

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