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The statistics on slaughtering and meat production included in this bulletin 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. They relate only to slaughtering for human consumption and do not include animals condemned or those killed for boiling down.

Table 2 includes figures relating to slaughtering of cattle and calves, for the latest month, itemised in more detail than elsewhere in this bulletin. Certain limitations should be kept in mind, however, when interpreting this information as experience has shown that definition of these categories may differ between informants within a State. Accordingly, details should be regarded as estimates only.

In addition to statistics on slaughtering and meat production (Tables 1 to 9), this bulletin contains details of bacon and ham production (Table 10), meat exports (Table 11), stocks of frozen meat (Table 12) and canned meat production (Table 13). Further details of canned meat production by type are published in *Production Summary No. 56 : Canned Meat* (Reference No. 12.16.56).

Monthly details of poultry meat production are published in a separate bulletin: *Chicken Hatchings and Poultry Slaughtering* (Reference No. 10.44).

Details of seasonally adjusted figures for the components of total meat production, are published in Table 4. Similar details, dating back to January 1959, were published as a Supplement to the February 1974 issue of this bulletin. In the seasonal adjustment, account has been taken not only of normal seasonal factors but also of "trading-day" effects (arising from the varying number of Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays, etc., in the month) and the influence of Easter and Australia Day which may, in successive years, affect figures for different months. Seasonally adjusted figures for total meat production are obtained by adding together the seasonally adjusted figures for the five meat component series. Details of the methods used in seasonally adjusting these series are given in *Seasonally Adjusted Indicators, 1973* (Reference No. 1.10).

Symbols used in this bulletin

p - Preliminary. Subject to revision.

.. - Nil or less than half the final digit shown or not applicable.

NOTE Any discrepancies between totals and sums of components in tables are due to rounding.

TABLE 1. - NUMBERS OF LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED : STATES
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10 mths ended April	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aust.
Cattle -									
1972-73	1,679.2	1,552.2	1,331.8	282.3	380.6	178.8	56.8	16.2	5,478.0
1973-74p	1,463.4	1,445.9	1,209.9	267.5	413.3	194.0	57.8	18.6	5,070.3
Calves -									
1972-73	232.6	567.7	264.6	47.6	13.5	22.8	0.6	3.2	1,152.5
1973-74p	173.1	477.6	203.8	35.0	7.9	28.5	0.3	1.0	927.1
Sheep -									
1972-73	5,560.4	7,387.1	1,472.8	2,182.5	3,849.1	564.8	0.1	11.6	21,028.4
1973-74p	2,516.8	2,684.9	929.1	1,046.8	2,405.2	287.3	..	5.5	9,875.6
Lambs -									
1972-73	5,243.3	5,837.7	620.4	1,925.7	1,205.5	539.2	..	150.6	15,522.4
1973-74p	4,300.4	4,483.6	358.7	1,286.9	1,131.5	425.2	..	114.6	12,100.8
Pigs -									
1972-73	1,073.2	978.5	785.1	423.0	434.9	128.0	3.7	19.0	3,845.4
1973-74p	970.8	903.7	699.1	382.5	430.3	98.1	7.3	20.5	3,512.2

TABLE 2. - LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED, ESTIMATED NUMBERS BY TYPE : STATES
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	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aust.
Cattle -									
Bulls, bullocks and steers	118.9	64.4	64.8	12.5	24.5	8.6	2.6	1.6	394.1
Cows and heifers		45.9	33.1	10.0		7.1		0.1	
Total Cattle	118.9	110.3	97.9	22.5	24.5	15.7	2.6	1.7	394.1
Calves -									
Bobby	14.4	18.8	19.7	1.2	0.6	0.1		0.1	59.6
Other		2.1		2.3		0.2		0.1	
Total Calves	14.4	20.9	19.7	3.5	0.6	0.3		0.2	59.6
Sheep	221.9	186.9	81.9	102.8	188.4	29.1		1.2	812.2
Lambs	405.2	350.5	29.8	110.0	64.9	37.1		10.9	1,008.4
Pigs	87.0	77.7	66.6	32.9	36.6	9.6	0.8	1.9	313.1

TABLE 3. - TOTAL MEAT PRODUCED (a) : STATES
(Tonnes - Carcass weight)

	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aust.
Years -									
1970-71	595,317	665,551	389,789	157,953	159,712	64,480	14,454	6,924	2,054,180
1971-72	644,984	768,456	444,861	164,668	202,370	70,250	15,613	7,493	2,318,695
1972-73	690,103	741,108	474,418	167,999	213,328	77,388	15,348	7,821	2,387,513
1971-72 -									
May	65,441	67,895	49,322	14,005	19,185	6,606	1,799	746	224,999
June	64,095	66,402	51,336	14,027	16,599	6,352	2,106	681	221,598
1972-73 -									
July	58,469	61,761	48,697	13,698	16,182	5,521	2,265	632	207,225
August	58,462	65,306	52,003	13,766	16,248	5,474	2,377	633	214,269
September	52,360	57,667	43,267	13,790	16,077	4,947	1,679	569	190,356
October	53,258	68,158	35,750	17,850	19,675	5,414	1,388	609	202,102
November	60,018	72,560	30,851	16,856	20,936	6,583	1,005	692	209,501
December	55,262	66,930	22,332	14,470	18,250	6,745	458	593	185,040
January	60,761	68,794	30,222	15,291	19,892	7,472	438	753	203,623
February	55,383	63,951	35,587	13,395	18,980	6,770	458	602	195,126
March	62,533	71,021	43,567	14,365	21,416	7,409	457	658	221,426
April	54,027	33,823	38,084	11,379	15,530	5,825	949	622	160,239
May	64,898	61,818	53,530	11,572	16,555	8,069	2,115	764	219,321
June	54,672	49,319	40,528	11,567	13,587	7,159	1,759	694	179,285
1973-74p -									
July	50,475	52,188	46,235	13,441	15,986	6,946	2,119	665	188,054
August	60,140	59,980	46,387	12,211	18,688	6,777	1,894	682	206,759
September	52,568	56,696	46,912	12,161	19,176	5,579	1,884	588	195,564
October	52,779	60,173	45,305	14,108	20,604	5,813	2,057	691	201,528
November	50,219	62,308	35,882	13,055	22,254	5,777	1,018	670	191,182
December	42,507	45,634	21,086	11,585	14,886	4,894	479	519	141,592
January	43,003	47,723	17,925	12,038	16,225	5,511	453	699	143,576
February	41,242	44,138	22,179	10,588	13,760	5,021	426	595	137,948
March	41,826	42,431	28,359	9,213	13,537	5,585	496	649	142,096
April	40,145	37,232	29,763	10,207	11,477	4,736	508	588	134,656
10 mths ended Apr. - 1973	570,533	629,971	380,360	144,860	183,186	62,160	11,474	6,368	1,988,907
- 1974p	474,904	508,503	340,033	118,607	166,593	56,639	11,334	6,341	1,682,954

(a) Excludes offal.

TABLE 4. — PRODUCTION OF MEAT BY TYPE (a)
(Tonnes : Carcass weight)

	Beef		Veal		Mutton		Lamb		Pigmeat		Total Meat	
	Original	Seasonally adjusted (b)	Original	Seasonally adjusted (b)	Original	Seasonally adjusted (b)	Original	Seasonally adjusted (b)	Original	Seasonally adjusted (b)	Original	Seasonally adjusted (b)
Year —												
1970-71	1,008,758	..	38,520	..	470,458	..	354,791	..	181,653	..	2,054,180	..
1971-72	1,127,200	..	40,689	..	596,372	..	359,956	..	194,478	..	2,318,695	..
1972-73	1,384,983	..	52,962	..	435,214	..	278,181	..	236,173	..	2,387,513	..
1971-72 —												
May	121,511	102,454	3,412	3,590	48,826	47,582	32,270	32,940	18,980	17,943	224,999	204,509
June	123,751	103,473	4,004	3,579	45,129	46,531	30,773	32,556	17,941	17,480	221,598	203,619
1972-73 —												
July	120,125	106,290	5,252	3,725	38,636	44,175	25,184	27,841	18,028	18,138	207,225	200,169
August	126,950	115,707	6,081	3,792	37,011	42,365	24,136	23,323	20,091	18,563	214,269	203,750
September	110,969	116,658	4,776	3,952	33,000	36,462	22,893	21,617	18,718	18,669	190,356	197,358
October	109,386	117,109	4,086	4,210	40,501	41,368	28,122	23,540	20,007	19,285	202,102	205,512
November	108,402	117,380	4,358	4,843	46,080	42,931	30,032	24,527	20,629	19,363	209,501	209,044
December	95,062	119,118	3,439	4,858	42,540	41,213	26,171	26,770	17,828	18,432	185,040	210,391
January	108,032	128,553	4,539	6,002	46,375	41,796	26,205	27,539	18,472	20,723	203,623	224,613
February	112,368	126,330	4,029	5,723	41,266	38,222	19,297	21,912	18,166	20,254	195,126	212,441
March	131,898	122,366	4,194	4,723	44,921	39,221	19,831	20,731	20,582	20,141	221,426	207,182
April	98,162	101,289	3,083	3,874	24,147	26,355	17,009	19,550	17,838	18,870	160,239	169,938
May	143,839	119,379	5,144	5,268	24,503	23,681	20,569	20,339	25,266	23,553	219,321	192,220
June	119,790	102,938	3,981	3,649	16,234	17,390	18,732	20,242	20,548	20,574	179,285	164,793
1973-74p												
July	124,967	109,221	4,930	3,439	17,368	19,191	19,601	21,315	21,188	20,930	188,054	174,096
August	142,092	127,711	5,672	3,577	16,987	19,491	20,763	20,329	21,245	19,550	206,759	190,658
September	134,042	146,243	4,301	3,660	17,616	20,119	21,524	20,493	18,080	18,669	195,563	209,184
October	129,607	133,548	3,743	3,721	21,076	21,047	27,211	21,921	19,891	18,357	201,528	198,594
November	117,922	127,638	3,418	3,822	25,655	23,604	25,395	21,568	18,792	17,879	191,182	194,511
December	84,390	107,865	2,141	3,056	20,114	19,815	18,477	18,988	16,470	17,099	141,592	166,823
January	84,450	99,043	2,042	2,607	22,439	19,875	19,144	19,655	15,501	17,197	143,576	158,377
February	83,998	94,435	2,334	3,315	20,689	19,175	16,072	18,227	14,855	16,570	137,948	151,722
March	84,614	80,963	2,433	2,839	21,389	19,046	17,597	18,859	16,063	16,403	142,096	138,110
April	82,582	83,273	3,062	3,748	15,993	17,102	17,206	19,391	15,813	16,220	134,656	139,734

(a) Excludes offal. (b) See text on page 1.

TABLE 5. - CATTLE SLAUGHTERINGS AND BEEF PRODUCTION : STATES

	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aust.
CATTLE SLAUGHTERED ('000)									
Year -									
1970-71	1,343.9	1,381.5	1,324.5	222.8	340.3	140.1	69.0	18.1	4,840.2
1971-72	1,472.2	1,515.8	1,456.8	255.5	383.6	165.4	76.2	19.1	5,344.6
1972-73	2,071.2	1,894.9	1,675.6	336.9	462.9	234.8	76.5	20.7	6,773.5
1971-72 -									
May	171.3	152.3	167.8	23.5	38.5	17.4	9.0	1.7	581.6
June	167.0	152.0	182.9	23.2	38.5	17.6	10.3	1.7	593.2
1972-73 -									
July	158.1	146.5	163.3	25.9	39.5	16.5	10.6	1.5	562.1
August	165.9	162.6	180.3	25.8	35.9	16.2	11.8	1.6	600.1
September	151.2	145.9	157.4	25.3	33.0	13.5	8.9	1.4	536.5
October	149.3	164.1	125.6	30.3	37.8	14.4	7.2	1.6	530.3
November	170.6	164.3	103.9	29.2	40.7	16.6	5.0	1.7	532.1
December	159.6	155.9	72.1	26.3	36.3	17.6	2.3	1.3	471.4
January	181.5	159.0	100.5	30.5	41.0	20.9	2.1	1.8	537.3
February	177.6	163.6	129.3	28.9	39.9	20.3	2.2	1.8	563.6
March	197.6	194.6	158.9	33.7	44.0	23.6	2.2	1.8	656.3
April	167.9	95.7	140.4	26.3	32.5	19.1	4.6	1.7	488.2
May	212.2	190.4	193.0	26.6	42.0	29.2	10.5	2.4	706.4
June	179.8	152.3	150.7	27.9	40.3	26.9	9.1	2.1	589.1
1973-74p -									
July	158.6	155.5	168.3	32.1	41.4	26.1	11.2	2.1	595.2
August	198.7	178.4	175.1	28.5	53.7	25.4	9.9	2.2	672.0
September	168.9	167.8	177.3	28.5	47.2	20.2	9.7	1.8	621.5
October	162.1	167.1	165.2	27.7	47.1	19.9	10.5	2.0	601.7
November	151.8	165.4	127.0	28.4	52.4	19.1	5.4	1.9	551.5
December	126.4	123.4	76.4	26.5	35.5	15.6	2.2	1.4	408.3
January	128.4	132.9	55.9	29.6	46.4	18.1	2.1	2.0	415.4
February	126.0	128.8	73.1	24.0	34.3	16.5	1.9	1.7	406.2
March	123.3	116.4	93.6	19.6	29.5	17.6	2.0	1.8	403.9
April	119.0	110.1	97.9	22.5	24.9	15.7	2.6	1.6	394.4
10 mths ended Apr. - 1973	1,679.2	1,552.2	1,331.8	282.3	380.6	178.8	56.8	16.2	5,478.0
- 1974p	1,463.4	1,445.9	1,209.9	267.5	413.3	194.0	57.8	18.6	5,070.3
BEEF PRODUCED (a) (Tonnes)									
Year -									
1970-71	269,628	294,677	291,836	41,787	63,905	29,480	14,301	3,144	1,008,758
1971-72	292,826	321,286	334,419	48,635	76,942	34,422	15,393	3,277	1,127,200
1972-73	403,629	397,057	367,207	62,219	88,899	46,946	15,116	3,910	1,384,983
1971-72 -									
May	33,039	31,591	38,794	4,577	7,885	3,502	1,778	345	121,511
June	32,502	31,450	41,335	4,673	7,806	3,557	2,090	338	123,751
1972-73 -									
July	31,478	30,734	39,211	5,032	7,825	3,298	2,245	302	120,125
August	33,016	34,276	41,538	5,115	7,062	3,261	2,361	321	126,950
September	30,439	30,024	34,369	4,943	6,432	2,824	1,656	282	110,969
October	29,828	33,945	27,723	5,786	7,408	3,024	1,373	299	109,386
November	33,919	34,468	21,714	5,571	7,945	3,477	992	316	108,402
December	31,183	32,392	15,310	4,963	6,893	3,619	439	263	95,062
January	35,076	33,397	21,374	5,518	7,638	4,260	423	346	108,032
February	33,977	34,362	26,715	5,133	7,446	3,971	438	326	112,368
March	37,781	40,982	34,050	5,813	7,892	4,607	435	338	131,898
April	32,542	19,617	30,406	4,543	6,139	3,668	942	305	98,162
May	40,186	40,289	42,323	4,645	8,212	5,677	2,080	427	143,839
June	34,204	32,571	32,474	5,157	8,007	5,260	1,732	385	119,790
1973-74p -									
July	31,074	33,438	38,758	5,994	8,069	5,169	2,094	371	124,967
August	40,284	40,146	38,735	5,206	10,469	4,983	1,869	400	142,092
September	34,477	37,806	40,148	5,512	9,951	3,958	1,866	324	134,042
October	33,435	37,620	37,367	5,443	9,421	3,907	2,037	377	129,607
November	31,072	36,841	28,459	5,559	10,734	3,889	992	376	117,922
December	25,669	27,086	15,447	5,123	7,185	3,181	432	267	84,390
January	26,030	28,406	12,112	5,538	7,853	3,706	420	385	84,450
February	25,600	27,400	15,831	4,655	6,528	3,272	386	326	83,998
March	24,892	24,960	20,992	3,751	5,692	3,509	465	353	84,614
April	23,942	22,554	23,029	4,217	4,955	3,107	479	299	82,582
10 mths ended Apr. - 1973	329,239	324,197	292,410	52,417	72,680	36,009	11,304	3,098	1,121,354
- 1974p	296,475	316,257	270,878	50,998	80,857	38,681	11,040	3,478	1,068,664

(a) Excludes offal.

TABLE 6. - CALF SLAUGHTERINGS AND VEAL PRODUCTION : STATES

	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aust.
CALVES SLAUGHTERED ('000)									
Year -									
1970-71	228.8	463.8	265.8	40.8	7.7	22.0	0.4	0.6	1,029.9
1971-72	245.0	558.7	251.7	35.1	5.3	19.3	0.4	0.6	1,116.2
1972-73	278.1	665.1	328.7	55.6	15.2	25.9	0.9	4.0	1,373.5
1971-72 -									
May	22.9	36.1	21.8	3.6	0.5	0.3	0.1	0.2	85.6
June	22.9	62.4	22.3	4.3	0.4	1.1	0.1	0.2	113.7
1972-73 -									
July	27.8	122.9	24.9	5.4	0.7	4.2	0.2	0.1	186.1
August	31.0	155.3	30.6	5.5	1.1	8.1	..	0.3	231.8
September	23.6	92.1	29.3	5.0	1.0	4.1	0.2	0.2	155.5
October	23.9	58.6	26.1	6.3	1.1	2.5	0.1	0.1	118.7
November	25.3	35.7	29.2	4.9	1.9	1.4	..	0.3	98.8
December	20.7	22.5	17.8	4.4	1.6	0.6	..	0.5	68.1
January	25.4	24.3	29.6	4.3	1.7	0.5	..	0.5	86.4
February	18.7	17.3	27.9	3.6	1.8	0.4	..	0.4	70.1
March	19.6	20.6	28.6	4.3	1.7	0.5	..	0.5	75.9
April	16.5	18.4	20.4	4.0	0.9	0.4	..	0.3	61.1
May	25.1	40.9	38.7	4.5	0.8	1.0	0.3	0.6	111.8
June	20.4	56.5	25.4	3.5	0.9	2.2	0.1	0.2	109.2
1973-74p									
July	24.3	127.2	22.8	4.0	0.6	7.5	..	0.1	186.6
August	28.1	149.9	24.9	3.7	0.9	10.9	0.1	0.1	218.6
September	21.1	92.1	23.0	2.7	0.7	5.2	..	..	145.0
October	17.5	41.0	25.4	4.7	0.7	2.9	0.1	0.1	92.2
November	17.1	16.3	23.5	3.7	1.0	0.6	..	0.1	62.3
December	12.6	8.3	11.9	3.3	0.8	0.3	..	0.1	37.3
January	14.4	6.4	14.2	2.7	1.1	0.3	..	0.1	39.3
February	10.2	5.7	17.4	3.7	0.7	0.2	..	0.1	38.0
March	13.4	8.8	21.0	2.9	0.7	0.2	..	0.1	47.2
April	14.4	21.9	19.7	3.5	0.6	0.3	..	0.2	60.7
10 mths ended Apr 1973	232.6	567.7	264.6	47.6	13.5	22.8	0.6	3.2	1,152.5
1974p	173.1	477.6	203.8	35.0	7.9	28.5	0.3	1.0	927.1
VEAL PRODUCED (a) (Tonnes)									
Year -									
1970-71	12,742	12,843	10,349	1,707	431	397	16	35	38,520
1971-72	12,879	15,217	10,395	1,434	348	373	25	18	40,689
1972-73	12,789	19,406	16,881	2,035	1,153	525	62	111	52,962
1971-72 -									
May	1,082	1,121	1,033	125	29	13	3	6	3,412
June	1,034	1,616	1,148	150	22	23	7	4	4,004
1972-73 -									
July	1,078	2,612	1,253	169	54	70	13	3	5,252
August	1,120	3,279	1,274	187	79	130	4	8	6,081
September	900	2,193	1,342	179	74	71	11	6	4,776
October	1,006	1,722	967	250	81	51	5	4	4,086
November	1,181	1,389	1,396	206	141	35	2	8	4,358
December	1,041	1,198	860	181	123	21	..	15	3,439
January	1,263	1,298	1,633	175	134	20	1	15	4,539
February	959	1,110	1,632	161	142	13	1	11	4,029
March	1,015	1,255	1,583	172	129	23	3	14	4,194
April	951	630	1,285	119	72	16	2	8	3,083
May	1,280	1,289	2,331	125	62	27	15	14	5,144
June	995	1,431	1,325	111	62	48	4	5	3,981
1973-74p -									
July	1,033	2,683	886	137	46	139	3	3	4,930
August	1,169	3,198	929	123	64	180	6	3	5,672
September	935	2,161	926	131	52	92	2	2	4,301
October	870	1,220	1,187	335	53	69	4	5	3,743
November	1,019	801	1,239	257	73	21	4	4	3,418
December	728	519	585	235	13	14	2	4	2,141
January	827	337	609	178	70	14	2	5	2,042
February	708	319	892	344	55	12	1	3	2,334
March	598	362	1,185	224	50	11	..	3	2,433
April	771	592	1,442	192	46	11	1	7	3,062
10 mths ended Apr. - 1973	10,514	16,686	13,225	1,799	1,029	450	42	92	43,837
- 1974p	8,658	12,192	9,880	2,156	565	562	24	39	34,076

(a) Excludes offal.

TABLE 7. - SHEEP SLAUGHTERINGS AND MUTTON PRODUCTION : STATES

	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aust.
SHEEP SLAUGHTERED (⁰⁰⁰)									
Year -									
1970-71	6,932.6	8,553.8	2,117.0	2,541.2	2,931.5	713.2	2.4	13.7	23,805.4
1971-72	8,820.2	11,954.4	2,479.2	2,459.0	4,106.0	813.0	3.7	21.6	30,657.1
1972-73	6,356.7	7,855.7	1,712.7	2,397.1	4,229.4	636.5	0.1	13.3	23,201.5
1971-72 -									
May	775.7	877.4	237.3	209.1	406.3	73.6	0.5	1.5	2,581.3
June	804.1	826.1	211.5	217.4	291.0	60.3	..	1.5	2,411.9
1972-73 -									
July	669.4	699.4	183.6	199.2	261.8	43.3	..	1.9	2,058.6
August	581.1	652.2	195.7	205.6	310.2	36.4	0.1	2.5	1,983.8
September	468.1	603.2	162.2	186.7	317.1	38.4	..	1.5	1,777.3
October	515.3	803.5	152.5	268.0	356.4	43.2	..	1.4	2,140.3
November	564.5	952.0	140.3	238.6	430.8	57.2	..	1.1	2,384.5
December	565.4	866.7	103.7	221.5	423.3	67.6	..	0.6	2,248.8
January	630.3	928.4	113.3	243.1	464.4	78.1	..	1.1	2,458.9
February	528.9	823.0	147.7	203.2	443.6	76.7	..	0.7	2,223.9
March	594.4	839.4	153.7	234.3	524.6	75.6	..	0.3	2,422.3
April	443.0	219.3	119.9	182.2	316.8	48.3	..	0.4	1,329.9
May	459.2	317.7	139.7	108.9	240.6	43.4	..	0.9	1,310.3
June	337.1	150.9	100.3	105.7	139.7	28.3	..	0.8	862.8
1973-74p -									
July	286.2	163.6	94.9	111.0	199.0	25.2	..	0.4	880.3
August	272.1	151.3	99.5	88.9	206.1	21.2	..	0.4	839.5
September	253.6	186.9	94.4	87.4	223.3	25.6	..	0.3	871.4
October	266.0	261.4	119.2	103.4	240.2	29.0	..	0.3	1,019.4
November	274.3	398.5	97.1	119.4	319.0	29.2	..	0.2	1,237.7
December	218.2	311.9	80.5	99.7	249.6	23.6	..	0.3	983.9
January	226.4	372.4	78.7	120.9	280.7	29.0	..	0.4	1,108.4
February	230.9	344.0	85.2	111.3	240.3	31.3	..	0.9	1,043.9
March	267.1	308.0	97.8	102.0	258.5	44.1	..	1.1	1,078.6
April	221.9	186.9	81.9	102.8	188.4	29.1	..	1.2	812.2
10 mths ended Apr. - 1973	5,560.4	7,387.1	1,472.8	2,182.5	3,849.1	564.8	0.1	11.6	21,028.4
- 1974p	2,516.8	2,684.9	929.1	1,046.8	2,405.2	287.3	..	5.5	9,875.6
MUTTON PRODUCED (a) (Tonnes)									
Year -									
1970-71	127,481	181,538	38,267	51,575	56,538	14,755	33	271	470,458
1971-72	159,449	247,432	44,780	50,022	77,900	16,314	65	410	596,372
1972-73	113,166	159,194	29,738	45,556	75,133	12,201	2	224	435,214
1971-72 -									
May	14,030	17,695	4,097	4,166	7,364	1,430	10	34	48,326
June	13,870	16,809	3,757	4,230	5,267	1,173	..	23	45,129
1972-73 -									
July	11,779	14,213	3,173	3,887	4,737	816	..	31	38,636
August	10,324	13,126	3,450	3,872	5,504	691	2	42	37,011
September	8,219	12,010	2,844	3,544	5,628	730	..	25	33,000
October	9,209	16,346	2,590	5,068	6,435	828	..	25	40,501
November	10,138	19,718	2,425	4,661	7,828	1,292	..	18	46,080
December	10,095	17,342	1,806	4,338	7,649	1,299	..	11	42,540
January	11,119	18,902	2,009	4,611	8,258	1,457	..	19	46,375
February	9,411	16,304	2,553	3,793	7,770	1,424	..	11	41,266
March	10,396	17,067	2,633	4,310	9,133	1,376	..	6	44,921
April	7,927	4,402	2,071	3,264	5,584	892	..	7	24,147
May	8,313	6,562	2,411	2,168	4,198	836	..	15	24,503
June	6,236	3,202	1,773	2,040	2,409	560	..	14	16,234
1973-74p -									
July	5,547	3,562	1,736	2,407	3,608	501	..	7	17,368
August	5,326	3,638	1,859	1,967	3,762	427	..	8	16,987
September	5,074	4,098	1,758	1,883	4,281	518	..	4	17,616
October	5,451	5,872	2,231	2,352	4,570	596	..	4	21,076
November	5,501	9,059	1,780	2,656	6,048	607	..	4	25,655
December	4,336	6,969	1,444	2,188	4,678	492	..	7	20,114
January	4,562	8,361	1,464	2,680	4,788	577	..	7	22,439
February	4,632	6,964	1,614	2,426	4,434	603	..	16	20,689
March	5,263	6,522	1,774	2,201	4,750	857	..	22	21,389
April	4,349	3,928	1,467	2,215	3,456	555	..	23	15,993
10 mths ended Apr. - 1973	98,617	149,430	25,554	41,348	68,526	10,805	2	195	394,477
- 1974p	50,041	58,973	17,127	22,975	44,375	5,733	..	102	199,326

(a) Excludes offal.

TABLE 8. - LAMB SLAUGHTERINGS AND LAMB PRODUCTION : STATES

	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aust.
LAMBS SLAUGHTERED ('000)									
Year -									
1970-71	8,015.8	7,879.9	788.7	2,559.4	1,484.8	680.7	..	182.3	21,591.6
1971-72	7,821.0	8,129.2	938.9	2,684.5	1,894.5	662.2	..	196.0	22,326.3
1972-73	6,240.8	6,672.8	739.6	2,141.4	1,318.6	641.7	..	176.9	17,931.9
1971-72 -									
May	723.7	762.8	91.7	183.3	120.3	59.2	..	17.9	1,958.7
June	702.3	724.7	73.0	192.5	118.6	60.5	..	16.1	1,887.6
1972-73 -									
July	587.6	598.8	69.5	173.6	99.0	49.5	..	14.7	1,592.7
August	553.7	630.4	76.3	160.4	114.7	47.3	..	13.4	1,596.2
September	494.9	581.2	54.8	216.6	127.0	43.3	..	12.8	1,530.5
October	533.5	688.8	49.9	321.7	236.4	51.5	..	15.8	1,897.5
November	574.3	762.5	55.9	287.1	184.3	69.5	..	17.4	1,951.1
December	517.5	682.3	50.1	210.4	109.2	70.4	..	14.8	1,654.7
January	562.6	665.1	76.7	197.5	103.6	73.0	..	20.4	1,698.7
February	426.9	472.3	68.3	145.1	80.4	46.2	..	12.1	1,251.2
March	496.3	443.9	64.8	134.8	83.3	45.3	..	14.5	1,282.9
April	496.0	312.4	54.1	78.7	67.7	43.3	..	14.8	1,067.0
May	519.8	442.5	69.4	107.9	60.5	54.4	..	14.2	1,268.6
June	477.8	392.8	49.7	107.8	52.7	48.1	..	12.1	1,140.9
1973-74p -									
July	438.9	410.6	43.7	128.0	100.9	44.1	..	10.8	1,176.8
August	452.5	404.3	38.9	132.6	121.8	39.1	..	10.6	1,199.7
September	429.0	474.4	30.9	146.4	161.8	34.6	..	10.4	1,287.6
October	457.7	630.3	37.0	209.4	259.9	47.6	..	12.3	1,654.1
November	465.5	628.0	29.0	140.8	177.4	45.8	..	11.9	1,498.4
December	420.4	421.5	32.1	124.0	59.7	45.4	..	10.0	1,113.1
January	449.0	429.7	44.7	108.9	70.6	47.6	..	15.1	1,165.6
February	378.1	356.1	34.8	94.6	58.3	41.4	..	10.9	974.3
March	404.2	376.9	37.8	92.3	56.2	42.5	..	11.6	1,021.3
April	405.2	351.9	29.8	110.0	64.9	37.1	..	10.9	1,009.8
10 mths ended Apr. - 1973	5,243.3	5,837.7	620.4	1,925.7	1,205.5	539.2	..	150.6	15,522.4
- 1974p	4,300.4	4,483.6	358.7	1,286.9	1,131.5	425.2	..	114.6	12,100.8
LAMB PRODUCED (a)									
(Tonnes)									
Year -									
1970-71	135,236	130,933	11,913	40,348	22,104	11,317	..	2,940	354,791
1971-72	130,108	133,015	14,116	41,462	27,217	10,874	..	3,144	359,956
1972-73	100,875	104,965	10,832	30,707	17,783	10,327	..	2,692	278,181
1971-72 -									
May	12,445	12,614	1,363	2,909	1,673	967	..	299	32,270
June	11,857	11,972	1,081	2,892	1,732	991	..	248	30,773
1972-73 -									
July	9,750	9,547	1,042	2,508	1,291	814	..	232	25,184
August	8,885	9,485	1,118	2,189	1,477	778	..	204	24,136
September	7,891	8,685	785	2,906	1,714	722	..	190	22,893
October	8,338	10,401	714	4,386	3,239	821	..	223	28,122
November	9,363	11,791	817	4,117	2,585	1,086	..	273	30,032
December	8,295	11,172	757	3,113	1,494	1,112	..	228	26,171
January	8,871	10,481	1,124	2,908	1,383	1,135	..	303	26,205
February	6,711	7,481	986	2,127	1,082	735	..	175	19,297
March	7,819	7,033	943	1,973	1,105	746	..	212	19,831
April	8,112	5,070	784	1,195	922	704	..	222	17,009
May	8,713	7,300	1,008	1,641	803	883	..	221	20,569
June	8,127	6,519	754	1,644	688	791	..	209	18,732
1973-74p -									
July	7,705	6,759	653	2,164	1,412	721	..	187	19,601
August	7,987	7,426	597	2,235	1,690	647	..	181	20,763
September	7,436	7,871	469	2,507	2,493	573	..	175	21,524
October	7,960	10,131	564	3,634	3,937	770	..	215	27,211
November	8,085	10,796	481	2,428	2,646	754	..	205	25,395
December	7,308	6,684	509	2,141	917	747	..	171	18,477
January	7,722	6,931	698	1,834	930	787	..	242	19,144
February	6,626	5,705	527	1,601	752	679	..	182	16,072
March	7,009	6,740	604	1,533	791	719	..	202	17,597
April	7,099	6,174	390	1,824	923	609	..	187	17,206
10 mths ended Apr. - 1973	84,035	91,146	9,070	27,422	16,292	8,653	..	2,262	238,880
- 1974p	74,937	75,217	5,491	21,901	16,491	7,006	..	1,947	202,990

(a) Excludes offal.

TABLE 9. - PIG SLAUGHTERINGS AND PIGMEAT PRODUCTION : STATES

	N.S.W.	Vic	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aust.
PIGS SLAUGHTERED ('000)									
Year -									
1970-71	1,092.5	941.1	741.6	435.5	316.3	170.6	3.4	16.4	3,717.3
1971-72	1,093.7	1,050.9	794.1	435.7	367.3	165.0	4.0	17.0	3,927.8
1972-73	1,323.7	1,210.3	964.4	527.0	537.5	152.0	4.8	23.5	4,743.2
1971-72 -									
May	104.9	100.1	76.6	41.3	40.0	14.0	0.3	1.6	378.7
June	105.6	91.3	75.8	38.8	32.6	12.5	0.3	1.6	358.4
1972-73 -									
July	97.4	94.2	77.3	40.9	42.3	11.0	0.2	1.7	365.1
August	114.7	105.7	88.4	45.8	39.8	12.8	0.3	1.5	409.1
September	109.9	96.5	76.1	42.6	40.1	12.3	0.3	1.7	379.5
October	108.3	117.1	75.7	46.2	44.7	13.6	0.3	1.5	407.7
November	122.2	104.6	88.7	45.3	43.1	14.2	0.3	2.0	420.4
December	106.9	100.5	74.0	39.5	38.0	14.6	0.7	2.0	376.1
January	96.6	94.7	81.2	38.8	42.6	12.3	0.4	1.9	368.4
February	96.7	93.9	71.9	40.8	43.9	12.6	0.5	2.2	362.5
March	121.1	93.2	84.0	41.4	51.7	13.4	0.5	2.4	407.8
April	99.3	78.0	67.6	41.6	48.6	11.3	0.1	2.2	348.7
May	138.2	122.3	101.5	55.4	57.8	13.3	0.5	2.3	491.3
June	112.2	109.6	77.8	48.6	44.8	10.7	0.6	2.2	406.5
1973-74p -									
July	109.1	112.6	77.5	50.0	50.7	9.0	0.6	2.5	412.0
August	115.4	111.7	79.8	48.8	46.2	11.6	0.5	2.3	416.2
September	100.1	92.1	67.5	39.0	41.0	8.9	0.5	2.2	351.1
October	107.0	104.4	74.2	43.5	45.6	9.7	0.5	2.3	387.3
November	100.2	93.2	76.6	39.9	45.8	10.6	0.6	2.0	368.7
December	102.2	90.8	62.6	37.6	38.1	10.4	1.5	2.1	345.2
January	82.6	71.9	58.7	33.0	50.7	8.9	0.8	1.6	308.2
February	79.7	72.1	63.1	29.0	37.1	9.5	0.9	1.7	293.2
March	87.4	76.3	72.6	28.6	38.5	10.0	0.8	1.8	316.3
April	87.0	78.7	66.6	32.9	36.6	9.6	0.8	1.9	314.0
10 mths ended Apr. - 1973	1,073.2	978.5	785.1	423.0	434.9	128.0	3.7	19.0	3,845.4
- 1974p	970.0	903.7	699.1	382.5	430.3	98.1	7.3	20.5	3,512.2
PIGMEAT PRODUCED (a) (Tonnes)									
Year -									
1970-71	50,230	45,560	37,424	22,536	16,734	8,531	104	534	181,653
1971-72	49,722	51,506	41,151	23,095	19,963	8,267	130	644	194,478
1972-73	59,644	60,486	49,760	27,482	30,360	7,389	168	884	236,173
1971-72 -									
May	4,845	4,874	4,035	2,228	2,234	694	8	62	18,980
June	4,832	4,555	4,015	2,082	1,772	608	9	68	17,941
1972-73 -									
July	4,384	4,655	4,018	2,102	2,275	523	7	64	18,028
August	5,117	5,140	4,623	2,403	2,126	614	10	58	20,091
September	4,911	4,755	3,927	2,218	2,229	600	12	66	18,718
October	4,877	5,744	3,756	2,360	2,512	690	10	58	20,007
November	5,417	5,194	4,499	2,301	2,437	693	11	77	20,629
December	4,648	4,826	3,599	1,875	2,091	694	19	76	17,828
January	4,432	4,716	4,082	2,079	2,479	600	14	70	18,472
February	4,325	4,694	3,701	2,181	2,540	627	19	79	18,166
March	5,522	4,684	4,358	2,097	3,157	657	19	88	20,582
April	4,495	4,104	3,538	2,258	2,813	545	5	80	17,838
May	6,406	6,378	5,457	2,993	3,280	646	19	87	25,266
June	5,110	5,596	4,202	2,615	2,421	500	23	81	20,548
1973-74p -									
July	5,116	5,746	4,202	2,739	2,851	416	22	96	21,188
August	5,374	5,572	4,267	2,680	2,703	540	19	90	21,245
September	4,646	4,760	3,611	2,128	2,399	438	16	82	18,080
October	5,063	5,330	3,956	2,344	2,623	471	16	88	19,891
November	4,542	4,811	3,923	2,155	2,753	506	22	80	18,792
December	4,466	4,376	3,101	1,898	2,050	461	46	72	16,470
January	3,862	3,688	3,042	1,808	2,584	427	31	59	15,501
February	3,676	3,750	3,315	1,562	1,991	455	39	67	14,855
March	4,064	3,847	3,805	1,504	2,254	489	31	69	16,063
April	3,984	3,984	3,435	1,759	2,097	454	28	72	15,813
10 mths ended Apr. - 1973	48,128	48,512	40,101	21,874	24,659	6,243	126	716	190,359
- 1974p	44,793	45,864	36,657	20,577	24,305	4,657	270	775	177,898

(a) Excludes offal.

TABLE 10. — PRODUCTION OF BACON AND HAM (a) : STATES
(Tonnes)

	N.S.W.		Vic.		Qld		S.A.		W.A.		Tas.		Aust.	
	bone-in	bone-out	bone-in	bone-out	bone-in	bone-out	bone-in	bone-out	bone-in	bone-out	bone-in	bone-out	bone-in	bone-out
Year —														
1970-71	10,877	4,973	4,479	8,788	5,616	5,620	1,115	3,506	1,678	3,124	915	545	24,681	26,556
1971-72	10,488	5,849	3,449	10,049	5,062	7,088	1,051	3,934	1,406	3,562	755	767	22,210	31,249
1972-73p	11,611	6,623	3,176	11,598	6,548	7,950	1,252	3,827	1,446	3,764	746	729	24,779	34,493
1971-72 —														
April	714	425	251	743	448	592	46	300	102	264	51	52	1,612	2,376
May	768	514	236	833	550	533	52	310	163	341	60	53	1,828	2,585
June	782	494	231	900	515	477	63	345	113	357	58	49	1,762	2,623
1972-73p —														
July	734	497	222	832	448	612	48	304	117	286	52	47	1,621	2,580
August	868	512	272	998	525	621	54	335	112	276	62	53	1,892	2,796
September	864	514	232	972	513	650	65	335	118	294	54	49	1,847	2,815
October	891	541	220	1,045	513	639	74	357	130	361	55	61	1,883	3,005
November	1,340	630	263	1,158	710	927	166	376	128	356	74	86	2,680	3,533
December	1,936	611	618	1,054	820	694	376	282	189	356	109	90	4,048	3,088
January	783	494	207	882	436	597	58	284	103	304	59	62	1,646	2,620
February	804	532	220	954	468	596	101	291	97	285	52	60	1,741	2,718
March	840	587	191	940	510	627	56	273	106	294	57	60	1,759	2,779
April	802	524	253	862	511	590	118	306	109	315	50	56	1,844	2,654
May	930	622	260	997	631	747	75	375	123	332	68	57	2,087	3,131
June	819	557	218	905	464	648	62	308	115	306	54	48	1,733	2,772
1973-74p —														
July	696	595	219	985	531	778	63	310	117	317	53	55	1,680	3,043
August	878	737	199	1,080	561	810	83	350	114	261	60	63	1,895	3,302
September	783	640	231	1,012	478	698	69	306	105	303	57	53	1,722	3,011
October	796	633	233	1,133	587	802	84	376	128	418	59	65	1,888	3,427
November	1,239	761	380	1,225	917	883	218	392	138	370	81	86	2,974	3,716
December	1,758	632	724	1,155	835	672	409	301	218	353	125	95	4,069	3,209
January	640	548	186	872	370	513	104	307	84	313	58	53	1,442	2,605
February	617	616	189	1,063	403	610	76	334	149	366	52	61	1,487	3,050
March	616	697	199	1,021	400	686	79	263	96	302	50	59	1,440	3,027
9 mths ended Mar. — 1973p	9,059	4,919	2,445	8,833	4,942	5,965	998	2,838	1,099	2,812	574	568	19,116	25,936
— 1974p	8,024	5,862	2,561	9,547	5,083	6,452	1,184	2,939	1,150	3,003	593	590	18,596	28,392

(a) Production of canned bacon and ham, which is reported in terms of "stated net weight of packs", is included in the "bone-out" category.

TABLE 11. — EXPORTS OF FRESH AND FROZEN AND PROCESSED MEAT (a)
(Tonnes)

	Fresh, chilled or frozen							Bacon and ham (b)	Canned meat (c)
	Beef		Veal	Mutton	Lamb	Pork			
	Bone-in	Bone-out							
Year —									
1970-71	32,342	300,784	5,632	130,775	43,623	1,727	398	21,575	
1971-72	17,961	373,662	9,882	200,935	37,632	3,803	381	28,092	
1972-73p	12,311	545,846	26,593	156,929	31,709	20,100	401	22,032	
1971-72 —									
March	543	32,131	851	21,501	2,413	72	52	1,769	
April	663	28,350	779	19,266	2,073	412	20	1,914	
May	547	35,223	1,738	17,711	3,361	1,097	31	1,827	
June	690	43,816	1,351	13,713	2,893	1,351	20	1,879	
1972-73p —									
July	765	47,322	2,214	12,725	3,300	1,268	49	1,424	
August	1,177	59,398	2,265	16,592	3,320	1,556	34	2,621	
September	1,581	46,831	2,701	13,430	2,670	2,092	36	1,562	
October	1,126	47,607	2,939	11,061	4,224	2,486	49	2,054	
November	1,045	42,025	2,108	11,522	3,943	1,431	51	2,286	
December	972	32,716	2,623	11,397	2,760	648	21	1,246	
January	947	43,745	2,702	18,148	4,298	876	18	1,875	
February	802	40,301	1,990	15,793	2,400	1,692	9	1,617	
March	1,053	49,935	2,373	13,665	1,333	1,838	34	2,431	
April	381	36,801	954	12,580	935	2,065	28	1,238	
May	1,738	50,149	2,274	12,287	1,761	2,419	35	2,189	
June	725	49,017	1,449	7,729	764	1,730	36	1,489	
1973-74p —									
July	2,718	50,508	2,516	4,751	896	1,370	43	1,553	
August	1,140	59,486	2,471	6,135	1,486	2,286	49	1,649	
September	1,350	52,493	1,819	6,737	1,720	1,646	43	1,269	
October	1,680	67,660	2,928	5,754	3,666	1,266	55	3,794	
November	1,854	47,569	1,883	5,894	3,638	310	75	2,072	
December	1,524	39,394	2,044	4,167	4,480	351	49	2,460	
January	761	30,837	1,114	6,057	1,545	394	21	1,491	
February	680	27,986	1,050	9,951	686	246	32	2,068	
8 mths ended Feb. — 1973p	8,415	359,945	19,542	110,668	26,915	12,049	267	14,685	
— 1974p	11,707	375,933	15,825	49,446	18,117	7,869	367	16,356	

(a) Excludes offal. (b) Cured carcass weight of smoked or cooked bacon and ham. Includes "stated net weight of packs" of canned bacon and ham. (c) Canned weight. Excludes canned bacon and ham.

TABLE 12. — STOCKS OF FROZEN MEAT (a)
(Source : Australian Meat Board)
(Tonnes)

Stocks at	Beef and veal	Mutton	Lamb	Pork	Total
26 June 1971	45,617	19,437	3,316	1,473	69,843
24 June 1972	56,351	21,924	5,105	3,195	86,575
30 June 1973	60,389	15,042	1,475	5,041	81,947
28 April 1973 —					
New South Wales	10,750	2,758	240	573	14,321
Victoria	9,210	8,165	790	338	18,503
Queensland	26,668	1,579	82	706	29,035
South Australia	1,764	1,841	367	514	4,486
Western Australia	4,924	5,106	743	1,506	12,279
Tasmania	1,457	796	48	401	2,702
Northern Territory	323	..	..	..	323
Australia	55,096	20,245	2,270	4,038	81,649
27 April 1974 —					
New South Wales	8,126	1,143	174	306	9,749
Victoria	9,959	4,893	241	244	15,337
Queensland	16,392	806	5	372	17,575
South Australia	1,096	1,889	304	242	3,531
Western Australia	4,474	4,175	1,160	689	10,498
Tasmania	1,429	500	4	133	2,066
Northern Territory	22	..	..	..	22
Australia	41,498	13,406	1,888	1,986	58,778

(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.

TABLE 13. — CANNED MEAT PRODUCTION (a) (Tonnes)

	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
Year —							
1969-70	3,541	32,468	10,121	(b)	(b)	..	46,835
1970-71	5,061	36,843	11,714	(b)	(b)	..	54,388
1971-72	6,772	37,934	10,909	(b)	(b)	..	56,421
1972-73p	6,450	32,254	9,179	(b)	(b)	..	48,520
Month of March —							
1973p	485	1,935	791	(b)	(b)	..	3,263
1974p	541	2,107	920	(b)	(b)	..	3,597
9 mths ended Mar. — 1973p	4,985	23,853	7,208	(b)	(b)	..	36,516
— 1974p	4,496	28,557	7,041	(b)	(b)	..	40,544

(a) Canned weight. Includes bacon, ham, and meat and vegetables; excludes rabbit, poultry and baby foods. (b) Not available for publication.

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