

**LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS, AUSTRALIA
JUNE 1991**

MAIN FEATURES

Livestock slaughterings in June 1991 show decreases in all categories except calves when compared with May 1991. Significant decreases in slaughterings of bulls, bullocks and steers (down 12.2 per cent) and cows and heifers (down 23.0 per cent) occurred following rises in April and May 1991. The slaughtering of calves continued the upward trend of April and May 1991 with a rise of 4.4 per cent. For the year ended June 1991 total cattle slaughtered rose by 3.3 per cent over the year ended June 1990.

In line with the drop in slaughterings, total red meat production decreased in June 1991 when compared with May 1991. Decreases were recorded against beef (18.3 per cent), mutton (30.9 per cent) and lamb (20.2 per cent). Pigmeat produced showed a 4.7 per cent increase in June 1991 compared with May 1991. For the year ended June 1991 total red meat production increased by 3.5 per cent over the year ended June 1990.

*Livestock Slaughterings
Percentage change, June 1991 on*

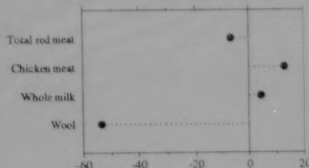
	May 1991	June 1990
Bulls, bullocks and steers	-12.2	-6.5
Cows and heifers	-23.0	-0.1
Calves	+4.4	-9.0
Sheep	-30.7	-10.2
Lambs	-20.0	-11.8
Pigs	-6.4	-6.0

The number of chickens slaughtered rose by 4.3 per cent for June 1991 compared with May 1991. For the year ended June 1991 chicken slaughterings fell 0.4 per cent in comparison with the year ended June 1990. Chicken meat produced rose 2.2 per cent for the year ended June 1991 when compared with the corresponding period of 1990.

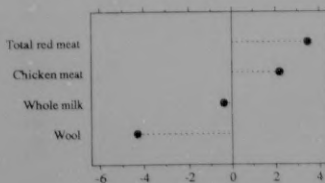
Whole milk intake by factories in May 1991 fell by 10.3 per cent to 341 million litres, compared with April 1991. Seasonally adjusted intake fell by 2.1 per cent in May 1991 against April 1991.

Brokers' and dealers' receipts of taxable wool in June 1991 decreased by 53.7 per cent when compared with May 1991. In seasonally adjusted terms, June receipts decreased 51.2 per cent compared with the corresponding month of 1990. The significant drop in receipts occurred as the result of dry conditions and lower prices. Receipts in June 1991 are well down on May 1991 as many farmers took advantage of the supplementary payments scheme. For the year ended June 1991 brokers' and dealers' receipts of taxable wool decreased by 4.3 per cent to 1,004,717 tonnes compared with 1989-90.

**PERCENTAGE CHANGE, CURRENT MONTH
ON SAME MONTH IN PREVIOUS YEAR**



**PERCENTAGE CHANGE,
1990:91 ON 1989:90**



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TABLE 1. NUMBERS OF LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED
(^{'000})

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas	Aust.	% Change 1991 on 1990
BULLS, BULLOCKS AND STEERS (a)								
1988-89	952.2	749.4	1,393.2	259.4	252.8	97.2	3,811.1	
1989-90	1,106.0	798.8	1,553.4	285.2	285.9	117.0	4,253.7	
1990-91p	1,063.5	752.8	1,672.4	253.1	250.7	111.3	4,192.6	
1990—								
April	71.6	58.5	96.6	21.7	13.9	10.9	278.7	
May	93.7	75.8	119.2	23.1	29.1	12.0	366.1	
June	85.1	57.0	148.6	18.7	24.9	10.6	355.8	
1991 p—								
April	84.0	60.7	128.5	17.5	15.1	10.3	320.7	15.1
May	102.1	65.9	149.2	20.7	18.8	12.6	378.7	3.4
June	72.2	51.5	155.6	18.5	18.1	7.2	332.6	-6.5
COWS AND HEIFERS (a)								
1988-89	690.2	550.2	768.9	125.4	194.0	63.9	2,460.1	
1989-90	793.4	611.2	780.8	147.8	208.7	74.7	2,691.9	
1990-91p	901.4	699.5	894.9	133.3	184.6	79.2	2,984.3	
1990—								
April	59.5	53.5	57.1	11.9	11.7	6.7	204.1	
May	81.7	77.9	75.5	13.8	14.7	8.9	281.2	
June	69.4	69.4	78.3	11.6	16.2	7.6	267.3	
1991 p—								
April	89.4	61.0	97.8	9.8	9.2	8.7	278.1	36.3
May	107.8	73.2	112.3	13.3	14.1	12.2	346.6	23.3
June	69.3	54.3	94.9	11.1	15.3	6.9	267.0	-0.1
TOTAL CATTLE (a)								
1988-89	1,642.4	1,299.6	2,162.1	384.8	446.8	161.1	6,271.2	
1989-90	1,899.4	1,410.0	2,334.1	433.0	494.6	191.7	6,945.5	
1990-91p	1,965.0	1,452.3	2,567.3	386.4	435.3	190.4	7,176.9	
1990—								
April	131.1	112.1	153.6	33.7	25.6	17.6	482.8	
May	175.4	153.7	194.6	36.8	43.8	20.8	647.3	
June	154.5	126.3	226.9	30.3	41.1	18.2	623.0	
1991 p—								
April	173.4	121.7	226.3	27.3	24.3	19.1	598.8	24.0
May	209.9	139.2	261.5	34.0	33.0	24.8	725.3	12.0
June	141.5	105.8	250.5	29.6	33.3	14.1	599.6	-3.8
CALVES (a)								
1988-89	160.2	575.5	157.7	23.3	11.4	40.5	970.8	
1989-90	190.0	585.1	144.8	23.5	11.8	34.9	993.2	
1990-91p	210.7	639.9	145.5	11.1	8.4	30.8	1,050.5	
1990—								
April	13.9	27.4	10.6	2.0	0.9	1.3	56.6	
May	18.8	49.3	12.7	2.0	1.0	2.1	86.0	
June	13.7	68.9	12.5	1.9	1.1	1.3	99.7	
1991 p—								
April	19.6	22.5	11.7	1.0	0.4	0.4	55.7	-1.6
May	26.3	43.7	14.1	0.7	0.9	0.9	86.9	1.0
June	19.7	55.2	13.5	0.6	0.9	0.5	90.7	-9.0

TABLE 1. NUMBERS OF LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED—continued
(^{'000})

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	Aust.	% Change 1991 on 1990
SHEEP								
1988-89	3,794.5	3,052.9	635.5	1,978.6	2,347.8	412.4	12,358.5	...
1989-90	5,021.3	3,326.0	766.0	2,417.5	3,814.6	532.3	16,085.6	...
1990-91p	5,426.6	4,463.0	867.8	2,741.7	4,186.9	407.0	18,348.0	...
1990—								
April	345.5	284.5	45.1	206.8	276.2	56.1	1,234.3	...
May	442.0	329.0	48.8	243.6	256.6	70.6	1,413.2	...
June	357.8	233.9	66.4	210.2	204.0	43.3	1,135.2	...
1991 p—								
April	479.5	345.7	94.4	255.3	292.6	27.9	1,519.0	23.1
May	492.4	325.0	98.3	219.3	264.9	45.6	1,471.3	4.1
June	336.5	230.2	110.9	131.7	156.3	30.2	1,019.1	-10.2
LAMBS								
1988-89	5,234.5	6,264.1	958.9	1,982.2	997.6	595.0	16,450.2	...
1989-90	4,989.4	6,199.9	949.1	2,162.9	1,469.5	588.8	16,798.1	...
1990-91p	4,789.9	6,421.2	986.8	1,810.6	1,583.1	558.9	16,520.1	...
1990—								
April	356.8	454.9	80.0	162.1	79.0	51.1	1,216.3	...
May	408.3	537.9	77.1	160.5	94.1	65.3	1,379.5	...
June	370.4	474.3	78.5	130.2	175.5	52.3	1,312.8	...
1991 p—								
April	388.7	509.5	78.1	141.5	98.3	54.7	1,300.4	6.9
May	440.4	573.0	75.0	161.1	100.2	66.1	1,447.6	4.9
June	355.5	465.8	82.0	109.9	77.4	40.2	1,157.5	-11.8
PIGS								
1988-89	1,600.5	916.6	1,157.1	658.7	502.9	95.5	5,006.7	...
1989-90	1,606.9	971.3	1,118.8	620.7	460.9	86.7	4,942.3	...
1990-91p	1,480.2	1,002.6	1,124.2	598.6	467.3	79.2	4,840.3	...
1990—								
April	124.6	84.1	86.8	44.8	37.3	6.5	391.3	...
May	148.7	98.0	99.8	53.9	45.2	8.0	461.0	...
June	134.6	89.1	102.4	51.1	38.3	8.4	430.7	...
1991 p—								
April	117.7	85.0	92.0	47.9	37.7	6.1	393.6	0.6
May	131.5	95.4	98.8	49.1	41.6	7.9	432.6	-6.2
June	132.2	79.6	97.4	42.0	40.9	5.7	404.8	-6.0

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

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

	Australia							% Change 1991 on 1990	Seasonally adjusted
	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	Total		
BEEF (b)									
1988-89	362,096	290,215	559,221	87,160	93,558	36,178	1,459,371		
1989-90	428,873	308,280	620,810	99,699	105,749	45,467	1,641,517		
1990-91p	448,933	307,523	680,081	87,036	94,502	43,319	1,692,958		
1990—									
April	29,453	24,260	39,459	6,871	5,298	4,098	111,087		117,863
May	37,508	32,425	50,862	8,267	9,157	4,834	147,086		135,128
June	34,927	25,879	59,956	7,075	8,522	4,287	145,126		143,394
1991 p—									
April	37,946	24,995	57,528	6,213	5,344	4,218	137,470	23.7	138,049
May	49,765	28,719	66,805	7,642	6,804	5,349	168,875	14.8	151,745
June	30,645	21,515	64,492	6,979	6,884	3,143	137,905	-5.0	142,985
VEAL									
1988-89	8,968	11,744	7,413	984	754	2,083	32,107		
1989-90	12,145	12,564	6,634	758	793	2,093	35,209		
1990-91p	13,682	14,395	6,538	583	558	762	36,805		
1990—									
April	913	752	475	70	56	157	2,463		2,980
May	1,220	1,233	580	70	63	246	3,424		3,124
June	823	1,566	582	66	69	150	3,281		3,040
1991 p—									
April	1,268	646	504	65	24	10	2,527	2.6	2,858
May	1,799	1,012	611	34	52	26	3,556	3.8	3,286
June	1,417	1,181	575	30	55	13	3,292	0.3	3,123
MUTTON									
1988-89	79,500	63,006	12,544	42,159	45,679	8,069	253,827		
1989-90	108,895	69,018	16,005	50,939	73,335	10,254	332,782		
1990-91p	112,381	94,042	18,666	60,489	83,767	7,774	383,117		
1990—									
April	6,932	5,736	892	4,340	5,180	1,049	24,553		29,707
May	8,908	6,687	952	5,218	4,970	1,320	28,512		37,337
June	7,332	4,870	1,331	4,584	3,958	803	23,290		38,285
1991 p—									
April	10,007	7,308	1,979	5,481	5,360	527	31,151	26.9	35,755
May	9,638	6,685	2,050	4,579	5,007	886	29,383	3.1	36,909
June	6,659	4,681	2,268	2,790	2,946	566	20,291	-12.9	35,939
LAMB									
1988-89	91,572	114,210	15,925	36,203	15,430	9,522	289,596		
1989-90	90,806	110,930	16,084	38,052	22,316	9,576	295,015		
1990-91p	85,812	116,450	16,605	31,869	24,105	9,151	290,491		
1990—									
April	6,296	8,006	1,336	2,842	1,204	818	21,035		22,961
May	7,482	9,456	1,286	2,986	1,460	1,044	24,310		24,061
June	6,810	8,431	1,317	1,667	2,734	844	22,538		25,219
1991 p—									
April	7,656	9,321	1,287	2,695	1,484	915	23,857	13.4	25,080
May	7,040	10,447	1,234	2,980	1,556	1,096	24,872	2.3	24,939
June	5,664	8,518	1,370	1,994	1,191	654	19,836	-12.0	22,563

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

	Australia								
	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	Total	% Change	Seasonally
								1991 on 1990	adjusted
PIGMEAT									
1988-89	96,423	60,075	71,693	40,364	29,228	5,810	308,143	...	...
1989-90	100,874	66,404	72,141	40,815	26,883	5,320	317,117	...	...
1990-91p	92,562	67,537	74,708	38,276	27,044	4,745	310,224	...	...
1990—									
April	8,082	5,641	5,638	3,039	2,208	389	25,436	...	27,659
May	9,895	6,719	6,566	3,657	2,697	479	30,483	...	27,713
June	8,615	6,104	6,851	3,344	2,268	519	28,131	...	26,914
1991 p—									
April	7,431	5,704	6,126	2,805	2,157	368	25,053	-1.5	25,838
May	6,075	6,644	6,845	3,186	2,388	465	26,110	-14.3	23,505
June	9,045	5,567	6,777	2,761	2,407	342	27,342	-2.8	27,335
TOTAL RED MEAT									
1988-89	638,560	539,250	666,797	206,868	184,650	61,661	2,343,044	...	...
1989-90	741,592	567,195	731,674	230,263	229,076	72,710	2,621,641	...	...
1990-91p	753,369	599,947	796,598	218,253	229,977	65,750	2,713,595	...	...
1990—									
April	51,676	44,395	47,801	17,162	13,946	6,511	184,574	...	201,170
May	65,012	56,520	60,246	20,198	18,347	7,924	233,816	...	227,364
June	58,508	46,850	70,038	16,736	17,551	6,603	222,366	...	236,852
1991 p—									
April	64,307	47,973	67,425	17,259	14,369	6,038	220,057	19.2	227,579
May	74,316	53,507	77,545	18,421	15,807	7,823	252,796	8.1	240,384
June	53,431	41,462	75,482	14,554	13,483	4,718	208,666	-6.2	231,945

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

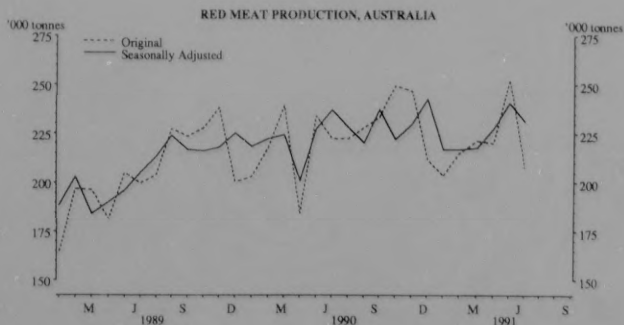


TABLE 3. EXPORTS OF FRESH, FROZEN AND PROCESSED MEAT(a), AUSTRALIA (tonnes)

	Beef(b)(c)		Fresh, chilled or frozen				Lamb		Pork	Bacon and ham(d)	Canned meat(e)
	Bone-in	Bone-out	Veal(b)		Mutton(b)		Bone-in	Bone-out			
1987-88	7,566	310,191	394	2,663	31,491	34,043	26,307	1,276	2,944	60	3,742
1988-89	47,369	493,673	958	5,349	32,645	53,720	34,923	2,664	6,623	39	8,043
1989-90 p	83,055	579,818	1,129	4,619	63,321	54,986	36,383	3,613	6,203	37	7,738
1989-90—											
February	2,927	48,658	46	69	10,522	5,416	3,326	252	331	2	253
March	5,133	53,237	48	103	9,455	4,864	4,181	510	196	3	550
April	5,114	46,460	55	222	3,611	4,944	2,574	183	256	1	779
1990-91 p—											
February	5,649	51,517	62	241	12,513	5,588	2,492	177	182	—	333
March	3,558	47,270	9	104	9,049	5,545	2,647	253	250	—	336
April	5,482	47,494	3	200	5,744	7,627	3,366	354	429	2	514

(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)

At last Saturday of	Beef(b) and veal	Mutton	Lamb	Pork	Goat	Offal	Total
1989-90—							
March	35,865	16,007	3,940	964	1,050	12,789	70,605
April	33,742	16,632	3,848	1,372	968	12,034	68,596
May	33,650	19,076	3,775	1,982	734	12,305	71,522
1990-91—							
March	29,638	32,199	3,074	1,145	1,284	8,874	76,214
April	31,885	26,752	3,194	1,341	1,228	9,256	73,656
May	32,916	23,529	3,857	1,594	1,136	9,450	72,482

(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. CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED (a)
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	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Aust. (b)(c)
1988-89	106,026.3	68,942.6	46,914.3	25,548.1	26,687.3	274,118.7
1989-90	112,631.0	68,335.1	48,409.8	27,197.5	28,932.7	285,506.1
1990-91p	112,477.8	73,108.3	47,646.6	23,729.0	27,441.8	284,403.5
1990—						
April	9,995.6	6,455.4	4,517.8	2,469.3	2,563.1	26,001.2
May	9,530.2	5,412.1	3,758.2	2,180.3	2,486.5	23,367.4
June	8,956.3	5,271.3	3,714.8	2,082.5	2,155.7	22,180.5
1991 p—						
April	9,420.2	6,510.3	4,163.6	2,026.3	2,343.3	24,463.7
May	9,809.6	5,810.7	3,770.0	1,603.1	2,341.0	23,334.4
June	9,804.3	6,042.1	4,029.2	2,061.6	2,393.4	24,330.6

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

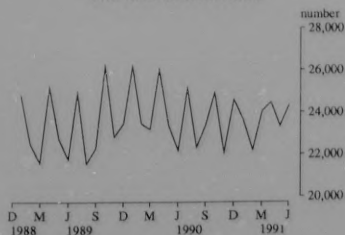
TABLE 6. CHICKEN MEAT PRODUCED (a)
(Tonnes carcass weight)

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Aust. (b)(c)
1988-89	148,094	97,409	58,214	32,946	31,688	368,351
1989-90	157,228	92,608	59,760	35,248	35,008	379,852
1990-91p	160,330	102,140	60,352	31,945	33,397	388,164
1990—						
April	14,572	8,934	5,510	3,299	3,060	35,375
May	13,674	7,483	4,714	2,921	3,051	31,843
June	12,670	7,307	4,772	2,764	2,729	30,243
1991 p—						
April	13,996	9,443	5,371	2,731	2,579	34,120
May	14,546	8,322	4,959	2,569	2,891	33,287
June	14,466	8,623	5,331	2,742	2,963	34,125

(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 Poultry and Turkeys' are available by contacting the ABS on Canberra 252 5337 or by writing to PO Box 10, Belconnen ACT 2616 (Agriculture Section).

CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED



CHICKEN MEAT PRODUCTION

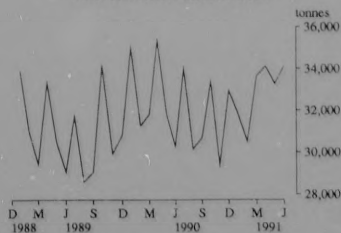


TABLE 7. WHOLE MILK INTAKE BY FACTORIES (a)
(Source: Australian Dairy Corporation)
(Million Litres)

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	Aust.	Seasonally adjusted
1987-88	931	3,649	614	378	251	306	6,129	
1988-89	919	3,793	627	371	245	334	6,289	
1989-90	878	3,787	630	357	266	345	6,263	
1989-90 —								
March	72	254	52	21	21	29	449	557
April	64	177	49	22	20	21	353	523
May	65	149	50	25	23	15	327	528
June	63	129	47	25	24	9	297	518
1990-91 p—								
July	66	162	51	27	25	8	339	507
August	71	274	53	31	26	15	470	498
September	77	432	54	36	27	32	658	514
October	85	552	57	41	27	50	812	530
November	86	525	54	38	25	53	775	531
December	77	461	54	35	21	49	697	535
January	75	387	58	31	21	43	631	594
February	68	332	53	25	20	28	475	586
March	69	280	53	21	22	23	380	562
April	62	204	45	24	23	18	341	550
May	63	162	45	30	23	18	341	550
11 Months ended May—								
1990	815	3,658	583	332	242	336	5,966	
1991 p	793	3,771	577	339	259	352	6,091	

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

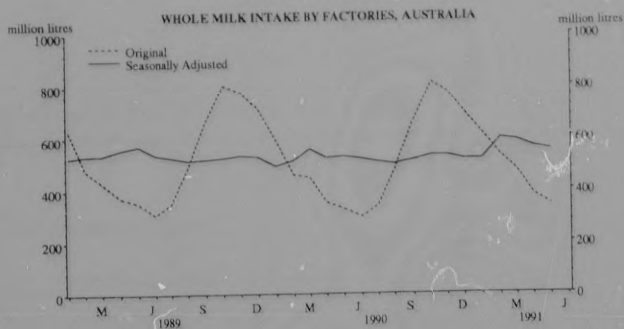


TABLE 8. MARKET MILK SALES BY FACTORIES (a)
(Source: Australian Dairy Corporation)
(Million Litres)

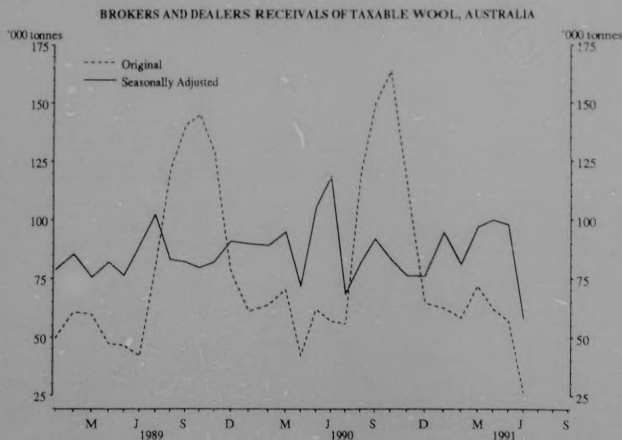
	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	Aust.
1987-88	586	454	300	144	138	44	1,667
1988-89	585	460	310	148	144	46	1,692
1989-90	581	452	316	150	158	47	1,705
1989-90—							
March	51	39	28	14	14	4	151
April	48	39	26	12	14	4	143
May	51	40	27	14	15	4	150
June	48	38	27	13	14	4	144
1990-91 p—							
July	50	37	27	13	14	4	145
August	50	41	28	13	15	4	151
September	48	36	26	13	13	4	140
October	50	36	28	12	13	4	142
November	48	37	27	13	13	4	143
December	48	36	27	13	14	4	141
January	50	37	28	13	14	4	146
February	46	35	26	12	14	4	137
March	52	38	30	14	15	4	152
April	48	38	27	12	15	4	144
May	51	40	29	13	15	4	152
11 Months ended May—							
1990	533	414	289	137	145	43	1,561
1991 p	542	409	302	142	153	45	1,593

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

TABLE 9. BROKERS AND DEALERS RECEIPTS OF TAXABLE WOOL
(Tonnes)

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tar.	Total	Australia	
								% of Total received by brokers (a)	Seasonally adjusted
1988-89	241,565	240,934	75,268	112,501	200,516	18,714	889,498	84.7	—
1989-90	283,983	300,055	88,698	121,269	231,732	24,104	1,049,841	86.9	—
1990-91 p	309,928	240,870	99,620	115,095	217,967	21,237	1,004,717	90.9	—
1989-90—									
April	10,270	11,273	1,893	6,451	11,305	1,231	42,422	84.2	71,760
May	16,511	14,721	8,939	7,368	11,769	2,637	61,946	89.2	105,375
June	20,328	11,251	9,279	4,166	11,000	866	56,889	85.3	118,442
1990-91 p—									
July	16,924	9,244	11,937	5,654	11,026	1,000	55,786	93.2	68,428
August	28,040	26,922	11,858	15,050	34,992	1,930	118,794	92.3	81,346
September	41,449	36,214	9,908	20,652	39,471	2,146	149,839	91.7	91,809
October	50,043	45,156	9,396	21,297	35,108	2,672	163,671	90.1	83,408
November	36,652	36,748	4,814	11,582	21,176	3,450	114,421	86.6	76,072
December	22,681	20,871	3,944	5,836	9,403	1,740	64,475	85.9	75,890
January	26,502	12,863	4,909	4,796	10,920	2,418	62,409	88.6	94,534
February	16,799	12,276	5,627	7,642	14,736	1,104	58,184	96.0	80,862
March	19,054	14,570	11,173	9,528	16,908	618	71,852	92.6	96,862
April	21,690	9,904	9,391	7,153	12,571	1,275	61,984	92.5	99,877
May	18,642	11,498	10,422	4,406	9,508	2,479	56,956	93.4	97,850
June	11,453	4,605	6,240	1,499	2,147	405	26,348	93.4	57,783

(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 receivables 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 7 and 8 contain statistics collected by the Australian Dairy Corporation (ADC) on whole milk intake and market milk sales by factories.

Wool receivables

6. The statistics in Table 9 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, 7 and 9 respectively. Information on the methods used in seasonally adjusting these series is available on request.

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9. Users may also wish to refer to the following priced publication which is available on request:

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p	preliminary—figure or series subject to revision
-	not applicable
—	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.

12. Where figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.

13. Unless indicated otherwise, Australian totals include data for all States and both Territories.

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