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1. SUMMARY.

The Acting Commonwealth Statistician (Mr. S. R. Carver) has issued statistics of livestock in Australia as recorded at the 31st March, 1948

The numbers of livestock of each kind in Australia as at 31st March, 1948, are set out below in comparison with similar details for the years 1939 and 1944 to 1947.

SUMMARY OF PRINCIPAL LIVESTOCK : AUSTRALIA (In Thousands)

Classification	Beginning of the year 1939	31st March -					Increase (+) or Decrease (-) from 1939 to 1948	
		1944	1945	1946	1947	1948	Numerical	Percentage
Sheep and Lambs ..	111,058	123,174	105,371	96,396	95,723	102,559	-8,499	- 7.65
Cattle - Dairy Cows (a)	3,210	3,192	3,139	3,024	3,013	3,085	- 125	- 3.89
Other Cattle	9,652	10,992	10,994	10,854	10,414	10,700	+1,048	+10.86
Total ..	12,862	14,184	14,133	13,878	13,427	13,785	+ 923	+ 7.18
Pigs ..	1,156	1,747	1,631	1,426	1,273	1,255	+ 99	+ 8.56
Horses ..	1,724	1,449	1,359	1,265	1,195	1,165	- 559	-32.42

(a) In Milk and Dry (excluding Heifers and Calves).

2. SHEEP AND LAMBS.

(i) Numbers. The number of sheep in Australia as at 31st March, 1948 was 102.56 million, compared with 95.72 million on 31st March, 1947, representing an increase of 6.84 million or 7.1 per cent. during the year. The number recorded for New South Wales was 46.07 million or 44.9 per cent. of the total.

(ii) Movement in Numbers. The rise in sheep numbers during 1947-48 was the first since 1942 when the numbers reached their highest level. The decline between 1942 and 1947 was continuous, and over the whole period 1942 to 1948 totalled 22.6 million or 18.1 per cent. The numbers at March, 1948 are 8.5 million or 7.7 per cent. below the level of 1939.

Sheep losses in Australia during 1947-48 are estimated at about 6.7 million. This approximates the level of losses in other non-drought years and is considerably below the high losses of 18 million and 12.5 million recorded in 1944-45 and 1945-46, when drought conditions were most severe. The other factors contributing to the increase in sheep numbers during 1947-48 were the increased lamb drop and reduction in slaughterings.

Increases in sheep numbers were recorded in all States during 1947-48, the principal numerical increases being 3.0 million in New South Wales, 1.3 million in Victoria and 1.1 million in South Australia. There were decreases recorded for the Australian Capital Territory and the Northern Territory. In Queensland the increase during 1947-48 was only 659,000 and the number at 31st March, 1948, viz. 16.74 million was 8.91 million or 34.7 per cent below the record number of 25.65 million depastured in March, 1943.

The following table shows the approximate movement in sheep numbers in Australia in each season 1938-39 to 1947-48.

SHEEP : LAMBING, SLAUGHTERINGS, EXPORTS, LOSSES ETC. : AUSTRALIA
(In Thousands)

Season	Lambs marked	Sheep and Lambs Slaughtered	Excess of Imports (+) or Exports (-)	Estimated Number of Deaths (a)	Annual Net Increase (+) or Decrease (-)	Sheep as at 31st March
1938-39	25,469	18,900	- 67	8,817	- 2,315	(b) 111,058
1939-40	33,300	19,006	- 72	5,975	+ 8,247	(b) 119,305
1940-41	32,238	21,822	- 86	6,941	+ 3,389	(b) 122,694
1941-42	32,246	22,258	- 65	7,428	+ 2,495	(b) 125,189
1942-43	32,111	25,573	- 5	7,107	- 574	124,615
1943-44	33,366	26,632	- 7	8,168	- 1,441	123,174
1944-45	25,635	25,295	- 3	18,140	-17,803	105,371
1945-46	20,683	17,086	- 22	12,550	- 8,975	96,396
1946-47	25,186	17,894	- 80	7,885	- 673	95,723
1947-48	30,149	(c) 16,563	- 79	6,871	+ 6,836	102,559

(a) Balance figure. (b) As at commencement of last year shown.
(c) Subject to revision.

(iii) Breeds of Sheep. A complete collection of particulars of sheep numbers classified according to breed was made for all States in Australia in 1939 and again in March, 1947.

Details of the numbers and percentages of sheep classified according to breed at the beginning of 1939 and at 31st March, 1947 are shown in the following table. Evidence of the greater demand for crossbred wool is shown by the increase in the proportion of other breeds, mainly crossbreeds, and the decline recorded for merinos. Complete details of the breeds included under Other Pure Breeds are not available for all States but the numbers for 1947 show a marked increase compared with 1939.

BREEDS OF SHEEP : AUSTRALIA.

Breed	Beginning of Year 1939		31st March, 1947	
	Number '000	%	Number '000	%
Merino ..	87,500	78.8	66,961	70.0
Other Pure Breeds ..	1,654	1.5	4,867	5.1
Merino Comebacks ..	8,955	8.1	5,712	6.0
All Other including Crossbreeds ..	12,949	11.6	18,183	18.9
<u>TOTAL:</u>	111,058	100.0	95,723	100.0

In the next table, details for the States available are given of the number of rams over one year, classified according to breed. The particulars for Victoria, Western Australia and Tasmania are as at 31st March, 1948 and those for New South Wales and the Australian Capital Territory as at 31st March, 1947.

RAMS OVER 1 YEAR CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO BREED
AS AT 31ST MARCH, 1948 (OR 1947).

Breed	New South Wales (a)		Victoria		Western Australia		Tasmania		Australian Capital Territory (a)	
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
Merino ..	397,757	64.1	62,612	27.8	117,953	78.8	5,921	24.5	1,140	72.6
Other Pure Breeds -										
Border Leicester ..	68,058	10.9	43,874	19.5	2,699	1.8	1,707	7.0	90	5.7
Corriedale ..	55,974	9.0	33,582	14.9	11,570	7.7	4,540	18.8	123	7.8
Dorset Horn ..	11,158	1.8	27,001	12.0	5,905	3.9	513	2.1	21	1.3
English Leicester ..	1,041	0.2	5,286	2.3	831	0.6	942	3.9	-	-
Lincoln ..	197	0.0	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	30	0.1	-	-
Polwarth ..	2,701	0.4	10,112	4.5	(b)	(b)	2,760	11.4	-	-
Ryeland ..	832	0.1	(b)	(b)	161	0.1	412	1.7	9	0.6
Romney Marsh ..	14,540	2.3	13,042	5.8	2,681	1.8	998	4.1	99	6.3
Southdown ..	7,156	1.2	20,575	9.1	6,625	4.4	2,232	9.2	-	-
Shropshire ..	133	0.0	(b)	(b)	776	0.5	31	0.1	-	-
Suffolk ..	179	0.0	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	188	0.8	-	-
All other Breeds										
Incl. Crossbreds and Comebacks ..	62,149	10.0	9,224	4.1	513	0.4	3,939	16.3	90	5.7
TOTAL:	621,875	100.0	225,305	100.0	149,804	100.0	24,213	100.0	1,572	100.0

(a) As at 31st March, 1947.

(b) Included with All Other Breeds including Crossbreds and Comebacks.

(iv) Lamings. Lambs marked during the season 1947-48 numbered approximately 30.1 million or 71.3 per cent. of ewes mated. Details for the seasons 1942-43 to 1947-48 are given in the following table:-

LAMBING RETURNS - AUSTRALIA.

Season	Number of Breeding Ewes (a)	Number of Ewes		Number of Lambs marked	Number of Lambs marked expressed as per centage of -	
		Intended to mate (b)	Actually Mated (c)		Breeding Ewes	Actual Matings
	'000	'000	'000	'000	%	%
1942	(d)	(d)	49,519	32,111	(d)	64.85
1943	56,574	53,247	50,014	33,366	58.87	66.71
1944	53,636	48,335	43,624	25,635	47.79	58.76
1945	46,685	40,918	38,542	20,683	44.30	53.66
1946	47,652	43,903	40,696	25,186	52.85	61.89
1947	47,672	43,014	42,308	30,149	63.24	71.26
1948	49,771	45,480	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)

(a) As at 31st March (commencement of season).

(b) As stated by farmers in April and May (commencement of season).

(c) As returned by farmers at end of season.

(d) Not yet available.

3. CATTLE

(i) Total Cattle. The total number of cattle in Australia increased from 13.43 million in March, 1947 to 13.79 million at March, 1948. Increases were recorded for all States and the Northern Territory, the States principally concerned being New South Wales where numbers rose by 147,000 and Victoria where they rose by 114,000.

(ii) Dairy Cattle. The continuous decline in the number of dairy cattle in Australia which occurred between March, 1943 and March, 1947 was arrested during 1947-48. In 1943, when dairy cattle numbers were first separately recorded, they totalled almost 5 million. The numbers declined on successive years to 4,914,000, 4,815,000, 4,609,000 and 4,592,000 (1947). The number at March, 1948 was 4,746,000, an increase of 154,000 or 3.4 per cent. on the figure for the previous year.

The numbers recorded at March, 1948 were higher than in the previous year in all States, although a decrease occurred in the Australian Capital Territory. The States in which the largest increases occurred were Victoria with 64,700 (4.6 per cent.) and Queensland, 50,400 (3.8 per cent.).

The total number of dairy calves under 1 year at March, 1948 showed an increase of 46,103 or 6.8 per cent. on that of the previous year. The increase between 1946 and 1947 was 62,184 or 10 per cent. Queensland, with an increase of 36,853, recorded the greatest gain, followed by New South Wales, 6,130, Tasmania, 4,937 and Western Australia, 1,303. Slight decreases were recorded in Victoria, 2,170 and South Australia, 950.

Increases in the number of dairy heifers 1 year and over were recorded in Victoria, South Australia and Tasmania during 1948 compared with 1947, whilst decreases were recorded in the other States. These movements in the numbers of dairy heifers one year and over during 1947-48 are the sequel of corresponding movements in the numbers of dairy calves under one year during 1946-47.

(iii) Beef Cattle. From March, 1943, when details of beef cattle were first recorded separately, the numbers remained fairly stationary at about 9.3 million until March, 1946, followed by a decline to 8.84 million at March, 1947. The number of beef cattle at March, 1948 was 9.04 million, representing an increase of 200,000 or 2.3 per cent. on the number for the previous year. There were increases during 1947-48 in all States except Queensland where a slight decrease was recorded.

4. PIGS

The number of pigs in Australia increased from 1,156,000 in 1939 to 1,747,000 in March, 1944, but decreased to 1,631,000 in March, 1945, to 1,426,000 in 1946, and to 1,273,000 in 1947. A further decline to 1,255,000 was recorded at March, 1948.

5. HORSES

The number of horses in Australia as at 31st March, 1948, was 1,165,000 compared with 1,195,000 in 1947, 1,265,000 in 1946 and 1,724,000 in 1939. The 1948 figure represents a decrease of 54 per cent. from the peak of 2,527,000 recorded in 1918. The number of draught horses, one year and over decreased by 27 per cent. between 1939 and 1948.

The following tables show more detailed classifications and the State distribution of numbers and types of livestock in Australia.

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6. DETAILED TABLES.

NO. 1 : LIVESTOCK CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO AGE AND SEX : AUSTRALIA.

31ST MARCH, 1944 to 1948.

(In Thousands)

Classification	31st March -				
	1944	1945	1946	1947	1948
SHEEP -					
Rams, one year and over ..	1,615	1,427	1,301	1,332	1,384
Breeding Ewes ..	53,636	46,685	47,652	47,672	49,771
Other Ewes - 1 year and under 4 years ..	7,438	7,067	6,383	5,615	5,432
4 years and over ..	4,440	4,001			
Wethers - 1 year and under 4 years ..	22,200	20,110	25,002	22,487	22,933
4 years and over ..	8,414	7,641			
Lambs and Hoggets, under 1 year ..	25,431	18,440	16,058	18,617	23,040
<u>Total Sheep and Lambs:</u>	123,174	105,371	96,396	95,723	102,549
CATTLE -					
<u>Dairy Cattle -</u>					
Cows in Milk ..	2,293	2,278	2,253	2,227	2,207
Cows Dry ..	900	862	771	786	814
Heifers, 1 year and over for Dairying ..	856	853	865	797	831
Calves, under 1 year ..	754	714	614	676	722
Bulls, 1 year and over ..	111	108	106	106	100
<u>Total Dairy Cattle:</u>	4,914	4,815	4,609	4,592	4,740
<u>Beef Cattle -</u>					
Cows, including Heifers 1 year and over ..	4,108	4,124	4,066	3,856	3,987
Calves, under 1 year ..	1,681	1,589	1,522	1,418	1,594
Other, spayed cows, bullocks, steers ..	3,481	3,605	3,681	3,561	3,460
<u>Total Beef Cattle:</u>	9,270	9,318	9,269	8,835	9,039
<u>Total All Cattle:</u>	14,184	14,133	13,878	13,427	13,780
PIGS -					
Boars ..	43	39	35	33	33
Breeding Sows ..	210	188	167	157	161
Baconers and Porkers ..	537	519	469	390	361
Backfatters ..	23	17	16	14	15
Stores ..	330	338	293	257	254
Suckers, Weaners and Slips ..	604	530	446	422	431
<u>Total Pigs:</u>	1,747	1,631	1,426	1,273	1,255
HORSES -					
Draught Horses, 1 year and over ..	758	700	638	588	555
Other Horses, 1 year and over ..	625	603	580	563	504
Foals, under 1 year ..	66	56	47	44	46
<u>Total Horses:</u>	1,449	1,359	1,265	1,195	1,105

Note: Numbers of livestock were first collected in all States under the foregoing headings in March, 1943. Long-term comparisons of totals, and of figures shown under other headings in Table 2 following, are available in the Official Year Book and the Primary Production Bulletin part II.

NO. 2 : LIVESTOCK CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO AGE AND SEX : AUSTRALIA.

1939 AND 1944 TO 1948.

(In Thousands)

Classification	Beginning of the year 1939	As at 31st March -					Percentage Increase(+) or Decrease(-) from 1939 to 1948
		1944	1945	1946	1947	1948	
<u>SHEEP -</u>							
Under 1 year ..	19,438	25,430	18,440	16,058	18,617	23,040	+ 18.53
1 year and over ..	91,620	97,744	86,931	80,338	77,106	79,519	- 13.21
<u>TOTAL:</u>	111,058	123,174	105,371	96,396	95,723	102,559	- 7.65
<u>CATTLE -</u>							
Dairy Cows in Milk	2,601	2,293	2,278	2,253	2,227	2,267	- 12.84
" " Dry..	609	900	862	771	786	818	+ 34.32
Calves under 1 year	1,842	2,434	2,303	2,136	2,094	2,314	+ 25.62
All other Cattle ..	7,810	8,557	8,690	8,718	8,320	8,386	+ 7.38
<u>TOTAL:</u>	12,862	14,184	14,133	13,878	13,427	13,785	+ 7.18
<u>PIGS</u> ..	1,156	1,747	1,631	1,426	1,273	1,255	+ 8.56
<u>HORSES</u> ..	1,724	1,449	1,359	1,265	1,195	1,165	- 32.42

NO. 3 : LIVESTOCK AS AT 31ST MARCH, 1948 : STATES

Classification		New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory (a)	Australian Capital Territory	Australia
<u>SHEEP</u>	No.	46,065,000	17,931,173	16,742,629	9,055,237	10,443,798	2,086,528	19,058	215,227	102,558,650
	%	44.92	17.49	16.32	8.83	10.18	2.03	0.02	0.21	100.00
<u>CATTLE</u>										
Dairy Cattle	No.	(b)1,239,761	1,476,379	1,382,564	275,131	225,474	144,041	-	2,831	4,746,181
	%	26.12	31.11	29.13	5.80	4.75	3.03	-	0.06	100.00
Beef Cattle	No.	(c)1,889,979	697,824	4,592,896	170,156	590,136	100,066	991,429	5,917	9,038,403
	%	20.91	7.72	50.82	1.88	6.53	1.11	10.97	0.06	100.00
Total Cattle	No.	3,129,740	2,174,203	5,975,460	445,287	815,610	244,107	991,429	8,748	13,784,584
	%	22.70	15.78	43.35	3.23	5.92	1.77	7.19	0.06	100.00
<u>PIGS</u>										
	No.	365,171	271,492	378,102	100,343	93,180	45,149	680	566	1,254,683
	%	29.10	21.63	30.14	8.00	7.43	3.60	0.05	0.05	100.00
<u>HORSES</u>										
	No.	376,043	221,454	335,581	100,619	74,537	23,125	32,318	973	1,164,650
	%	32.29	19.02	28.81	8.64	6.40	1.99	2.77	0.08	100.00

(a) As at 31st December, 1947. (b) Includes 96,547 Other Milking Cows not in Registered Dairies. (c) Includes 48,273 Cows (dry) used for milking but not in Registered Dairies.

**NO. 4 : LIVESTOCK CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO AGE
AND SEX AS AT 31ST MARCH, 1948 : STATES**

Classification	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory (a)	Australian Capital Territory	Australia
CATTLE									
Dairy Cattle									
Cows in Milk	(b)688,867	639,079	694,244	112,726	68,134	62,724	-	1,447	2,267,221
Cows, Dry	173,174	257,807	251,930	54,228	64,171	16,411	-	323	818,044
Heifers, 1 year and over for Dairying..	199,707	298,574	213,451	53,159	40,536	25,296	-	761	831,484
Calves, under 1 year ..	154,167	243,613	195,086	46,414	46,509	35,842	-	268	721,899
Bulls, 1 year and over ..	23,846	37,306	27,853	8,604	6,124	3,768	-	32	107,533
Total Dairy Cattle	1,239,761	1,476,379	1,382,564	275,131	225,474	144,041	-	2,831	4,746,181
Beef Cattle									
Cows, including Heifers 1 year and over	(c)891,623	256,660	2,017,523	82,891	263,202	36,068	435,505	3,131	3,986,603
Calves, under 1 year ..	422,182	163,068	702,199	37,342	89,742	24,496	151,578	1,887	1,592,494
Bulls, 1 year and over ..	34,001	8,504	64,714	2,217	12,473	1,473	13,969	107	137,458
Other, speyed cows, bullocks, steers ..	542,173	269,592	1,808,460	47,706	224,719	38,029	390,377	792	3,321,848
Total Beef Cattle	1,889,979	697,824	4,592,896	170,156	590,136	100,066	991,429	5,917	9,038,403
TOTAL ALL CATTLE	3,129,740	2,174,203	5,975,460	445,287	815,610	244,107	991,429	8,748	13,784,584
PIGS									
Boars	10,017	6,034	10,923	2,254	2,422	1,268	20	8	32,946
Breeding Sows	50,472	31,240	48,411	11,677	12,269	6,324	87	58	160,538
Baconers and Porkers ..	111,654	65,527	107,717	33,062	28,057	14,480	194	358	361,049
Backfatters	6,812	1,341	3,931	1,454	542	416	7	3	14,506
Stores	69,092	72,059	86,358	12,242	9,970	4,119	155	61	254,056
Suckers, Weaners and Slips ..	117,124	95,291	120,762	39,654	39,920	18,542	217	78	431,588
TOTAL PIGS	365,171	271,492	378,102	100,343	93,180	45,149	680	566	1,254,683
HORSES									
Draught Horses, 1 year and over ..	163,491	137,648	122,091	65,876	36,670	16,594	11,758	309	554,437
Other Horses, 1 year and over ..	195,962	77,368	198,980	31,583	34,661	5,838	19,163	591	564,146
Foals, under 1 year	16,590	6,438	14,510	3,160	3,206	693	1,397	73	46,067
TOTAL HORSES	376,043	221,454	335,581	100,619	74,537	23,125	32,318	973	1,164,650

NO. 4 : LIVESTOCK CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO AGE AND SEX
AS AT 31ST MARCH, 1948 : STATES
 (Continued)

Classification	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory (a)	Australian Capital Territory	Australia
S H E E P									
Rams, 1 year and over ..	643,198	225,305	205,964	133,461	149,804	24,213	234	1,465	1,383,644
Breeding Ewes, including									
Ewes intended for mating	22,488,779	9,012,747	7,604,566	4,655,046	5,048,900	879,969	8,656	72,256	49,770,919
Other Ewes - 1 year and over	2,470,700	812,897	766,405	477,461	741,645	142,911	872	19,610	5,432,501
Wethers - 1 year and over	9,659,618	3,695,075	4,900,873	1,715,478	2,370,588	495,821	5,579	88,940	22,931,972
Lambs & Hoggets, under 1 year	10,802,705	4,185,149	3,264,821	2,073,791	2,132,861	543,614	3,717	32,956	23,039,614
<u>TOTAL SHEEP & LAMBS</u>	46,065,000	17,931,173	16,742,629	9,055,237	10,443,798	2,086,528	19,058	215,227	102,558,650

(a) As at the 31st December, 1947. Distribution into categories has been estimated. (b) Includes 96,547 other Milking Cows not in registered dairies. (c) Includes 48,273 Cows (dry) used for milking but not in registered dairies.

NO. 5 : BREEDS OF SHEEP AS AT 31ST MARCH, 1947 (a).

Breed	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory (a)	Australian Capital Territory	Australia
Merinos	31,067,510	5,265,808	15,872,429	5,926,462	8,323,849	280,313	27,637	196,802	66,960,810
Other Pure Breeds	2,139,893	1,407,349	23,795	342,187	488,975	456,411	41	8,119	4,866,770
Merino Comebacks	2,059,812	3,001,730	89,132	274,068	(c)	282,300	155	5,114	(d) 5,712,311
All Other including Crossbreds	7,837,785	6,923,603	98,984	1,415,902	974,178	914,308	172	17,959	18,182,891
<u>TOTAL</u>	43,105,000	16,598,490	16,084,340	7,958,619	9,787,002	1,933,332	28,005	227,994	95,722,782

(a) Later figures are not available for all States.

(b) As at the previous 31st December, 1946. Distribution into categories has been estimated.

(c) Not available separately. Included with crossbreds.

(d) Incomplete.

State or Territory	Beginning of the year 1939	As at 31st March, -					Percentage Increase (+) or Decrease (-) from 1939 to 1948
		1944	1945	1946	1947	1948	
S H E E P							
New South Wales	48,877	56,837	46,662	44,076	43,105	46,065	- 5.75
Victoria	17,007	19,220	16,457	14,655	16,599	17,931	5.43
Queensland	23,159	23,256	21,944	18,944	16,084	16,743	- 27.70
South Australia	9,937	10,360	8,474	6,786	7,959	9,055	- 8.80
Western Australia	9,177	11,013	10,050	9,766	9,787	10,444	13.61
Tasmania	2,626	2,188	2,156	1,926	1,933	2,087	- 20.53
Northern Territory	30	25	29	18	28	19	- 36.67
A. C. Territory	245	275	251	225	228	215	- 12.24
Australia	111,058	123,174	105,371	96,396	95,723	102,559	- 7.65
D A I R Y C A T T L E							
New South Wales	(a)	1,337	1,332	1,277	1,228	1,240	(a)
Victoria	(a)	1,406	1,364	1,300	1,412	1,476	(a)
Queensland	(a)	1,546	1,509	1,442	1,332	1,383	(a)
South Australia	(a)	253	245	231	262	275	(a)
Western Australia	(a)	241	235	230	223	226	(a)
Tasmania	(a)	129	126	126	132	144	(a)
Northern Territory	(a)	-	-	-	-	-	(a)
A. C. Territory	(a)	2	2	3	3	3	(a)
Australia	(a)	4,914	4,815	4,609	4,592	4,747	(a)
B E E F C A T T L E							
New South Wales	(a)	1,807	1,813	1,840	1,755	1,890	(a)
Victoria	(a)	607	539	527	648	698	(a)
Queensland	(a)	4,978	5,114	5,100	4,614	4,593	(a)
South Australia	(a)	162	146	143	162	170	(a)
Western Australia	(a)	630	618	604	589	590	(a)
Tasmania	(a)	101	97	90	88	100	(a)
Northern Territory	(a)	979	984	960	973	991	(a)
A. C. Territory	(a)	6	7	5	6	6	(a)
Australia	(a)	9,270	9,318	9,269	8,835	9,038	(a)
T O T A L C A T T L E							
New South Wales	2,812	3,144	3,145	3,117	2,983	3,130	11.31
Victoria	1,697	2,013	1,903	1,827	2,060	2,174	28.11
Queensland	6,097	6,524	6,623	6,542	5,946	5,976	- 1.90
South Australia	319	415	391	374	424	445	39.50
Western Australia	768	871	853	834	812	816	6.25
Tasmania	262	230	225	216	220	244	- 6.87
Northern Territory	900	979	984	960	973	991	10.11
A. C. Territory	7	8	9	8	9	9	28.57
Australia	12,862	14,184	14,133	13,876	13,427	13,785	7.18
P I G S							
New South Wales	378	561	524	432	358	365	- 3.44
Victoria	253	338	296	272	291	272	7.51
Queensland	325	450	438	415	340	378	16.31
South Australia	71	136	161	120	134	100	40.85
Western Australia	83	164	164	130	102	93	12.05
Tasmania	45	47	47	47	47	45	-
Northern Territory	-	-	-	1	-	1	-
A. C. Territory	1	1	1	1	1	1	-
Australia	1,156	1,747	1,631	1,426	1,273	1,255	8.56
H O R S E S							
New South Wales	531	466	436	404	300	376	- 29.19
Victoria	344	278	254	232	227	221	- 35.76
Queensland	445	387	381	367	343	336	- 24.49
South Australia	196	154	133	116	109	101	- 48.47
Western Australia	144	107	96	88	81	75	- 47.92
Tasmania	30	26	26	25	24	23	- 23.33
Northern Territory	33	30	32	32	30	32	- 3.03
A. C. Territory	1	1	1	1	1	1	-
Australia	1,724	1,449	1,359	1,265	1,195	1,165	- 32.42

NO. 7 : LAMBINGS SEASONS 1943 TO 1948 : STATES

Particulars		New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Australian Capital Territory	Australia
<u>1943 Season</u>									
Ewes Mated	No.	22,188,256	9,852,352	7,417,238	4,645,364	5,027,474	810,695	73,053	50,014,432
Lambs Marked	No.	15,067,643	7,251,821	3,536,173	3,322,810	3,468,345	668,531	50,671	33,365,994
Percentage	%	67.91	73.60	47.68	71.53	68.99	82.46	69.36	66.71
<u>1944 Season</u>									
Ewes Mated	No.	18,564,552	8,975,270	6,872,199	4,082,631	4,309,600	755,845	64,201	43,624,298
Lambs Marked	No.	11,068,584	6,086,522	3,110,739	2,579,176	2,123,885	626,945	36,675	25,634,526
Percentage	%	59.62	67.81	45.27	63.17	49.28	83.21	57.13	58.74
<u>1945 Season</u>									
Ewes Mated	No.	16,942,677	7,116,912	6,430,750	3,036,031	4,247,313	700,975	67,819	38,542,477
Lambs Marked	No.	9,893,737	3,503,095	3,103,636	1,469,831	2,160,086	508,731	43,489	20,682,605
Percentage	%	58.40	49.22	48.26	48.41	50.86	72.57	64.13	53.69
<u>1946 Season</u>									
Ewes Mated	No.	18,695,388	7,328,321	5,990,869	3,748,453	4,287,869	577,042	68,043	40,695,905
Lambs Marked	No.	11,240,448	5,936,792	2,152,802	2,837,308	2,529,624	440,498	48,695	25,186,167
Percentage	%	60.12	81.01	35.93	75.69	58.99	76.34	71.57	61.39
<u>1947 Season</u>									
Ewes Mated	No.	18,124,217	8,243,066	6,540,702	4,090,231	4,467,089	779,211	63,248	42,307,764
Lambs Marked	No.	12,860,954	6,939,854	3,730,189	3,099,436	2,820,955	656,043	41,852	30,149,203
Percentage	%	70.96	84.19	57.03	75.78	63.15	84.19	66.17	71.26
<u>1948 Season - Intended Matings</u>									
Ewes Mated or intended to mate to - Merino, Corriedale or Polwarth									
Rams	No.	14,011,757	3,664,304	4,094,004	3,163,527	4,055,223	477,968	59,064	32,545,847
Percentage	%	71.77	42.72	100.00	70.13	84.15	56.85	85.47	71.56
Rams of Other Breeds	No.	5,510,114	4,939,486	(a)	1,347,372	763,944	362,723	10,039	12,933,678
Percentage	%	28.23	57.28	(a)	29.87	15.85	43.15	14.53	28.44
Total Ewes Mated or intended to mate		19,521,871	8,623,790	7,094,004	4,510,899	4,819,167	840,691	69,103	45,479,525

(a) Almost entirely merino.

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