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NOTE: The last full issue of this Bulletin (Vol. 20, No. 7) giving detailed statistics for the year ended June, 1957, was released on 1st October, 1957.

Whole Milk: Total milk production for the three months ended September, 1957, is estimated at 279.7 million gallons. This is 23.6 million gallons (7.8 per cent.) lower than the record production for the corresponding period in 1956 and 15.3 million gallons (5.2 per cent.) below production for this period in 1955. In the three months ended September 1957, production was lower than in the same period of the previous year in all States except Western Australia and Tasmania. In Queensland production decreased by 11.3 million gallons (22.3 per cent.), in South Australia by 3.4 million gallons (12.6 per cent.), in Victoria by 8.9 million gallons (6.5 per cent.) and in New South Wales by 1.8 million gallons (3.0 per cent.). Production increased in Tasmania by 1.4 million gallons (13.1 per cent.) but in Western Australia the increase was very slight.

Of the total production of 279.7 million gallons in the three months ended September, 1957, 168.2 million gallons (60.1 per cent.) were used in butter making, 20.0 million gallons (7.1 per cent.) in cheese making, 18.1 million gallons (6.5 per cent.) in the manufacture of condensery products and 73.4 million gallons (26.3 per cent.) for other purposes, principally as fluid milk for domestic purposes.

Butter: Factory production of butter for the three months ended September, 1957, at 35,677 tons was 4,587 tons (11.4 per cent.) lower than for this period in 1956, and 4,276 tons (10.7 per cent.) lower than for the same period in 1955.

Cheese: For the three months ended September, 1957, factory production of cheese at 9,210 tons was 1,676 tons (15.4 per cent.) lower than for the corresponding period in 1956, and 498 tons (5.1 per cent.) below production for this period in 1955.

Condensery Products: In the three months ended September, 1957, production of condensery products showed a slight overall increase compared with the same period of the previous year. Substantial increases in the production of concentrated whole milk and infants' and invalids' foods more than offset the decline in other products. In terms of whole milk equivalent, the quantity produced in the three months ended September, 1957, was 18.1 million gallons, which was 1.0 per cent. greater than for this period in 1956 and 11.9 per cent. greater than for the same period in 1955.

A brief summary is set out in Table 1 below, showing dairy production for the three months ended September, 1957, in comparison with the corresponding period in 1955 and 1956.

TABLE I - DAIRY PRODUCTION, AUSTRALIA

Item		Three months ended September				Percentage Increase (+) or Decrease (-) 1957 on	
		1955	1956	1957		1955	1956
Whole Milk (a)	'000 gals.	295,040	303,330	279,747	(-) 5.2	(-) 7.8	
Factory Butter	tons	39,953	40,264	35,677	(-) 10.7	(-) 11.4	
Factory Cheese	tons	9,708	10,886	9,210	(-) 5.1	(-) 15.4	
Condensery Products (Whole Milk equivalent)	'000 gals.	16,157	17,907	18,080	(+) 11.9	(+) 1.0	

(a) Produced for all purposes.

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Further particulars relating to the production and utilization of whole milk and the production of butter, cheese and condensed, powdered, etc. milk products are given in the following tables.

TABLE 2 : WHOLE MILK : TOTAL PRODUCTION, STATES
('000 Gallons)

State	Year	Month of -			Year Ended June	Month of -			July to Sept.
		April	May	June		July	August	Sept.	
New South Wales	1955	25,296	20,553	17,306	315,719	17,722	21,062	25,356	64,140
	1956	24,913	20,572	18,296	337,222	17,955	20,588	22,604	61,147
	1957	24,318	21,404	17,827	307,604	17,731	18,573	23,031	59,335
Victoria	1955	29,932	23,664	19,878	536,835	23,885	40,177	57,214	121,276
	1956	32,941	28,569	23,612	577,475	29,589	45,562	60,634	135,785
	1957	29,571	22,767	19,215	590,715	25,654	41,079	60,171	126,904
Queensland	1955	24,049	19,303	16,254	275,605	16,013	18,847	20,733	55,593
	1956	21,074	16,423	14,169	282,296	14,607	17,720	18,378	50,705
	1957	17,886	13,143	10,087	254,167	11,172	12,581	15,663	39,416
South Australia	1955	4,404	5,279	6,378	90,699	7,416	9,103	10,309	26,828
	1956	4,158	5,461	6,501	90,342	7,569	9,143	9,893	26,605
	1957	4,131	5,041	5,594	87,894	6,646	7,646	8,957	23,249
Western Australia	1955	2,208	3,240	4,142	54,194	5,059	5,908	6,384	17,351
	1956	2,208	3,292	4,364	55,668	5,396	6,299	6,742	18,437
	1957	2,148	3,343	4,470	57,036	5,677	6,219	6,666	18,562
Tasmania	1955	2,855	2,196	1,497	52,022	1,627	2,937	5,097	9,661
	1956	4,648	3,260	1,905	61,405	1,890	3,210	5,335	10,435
	1957	4,259	2,571	1,657	63,888	1,973	3,427	6,407	11,807
AUSTRALIA (a)	1955	88,800	74,286	65,509	1,325,799	71,779	98,093	125,168	295,040
	1956	90,012	77,643	68,905	1,405,292	77,066	102,590	123,674	303,330
	1957	82,377	68,327	58,906	1,362,261	68,908	89,860	120,979	279,747

(a) Includes estimates of production in the Australian Capital Territory.

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TABLE 3 : WHOLE MILK : PRODUCTION AND UTILIZATION, AUSTRALIA
('000 Gallons)

Period	Year	Total Whole Milk Produced	Quantity of Milk Used for -			
			Butter (Factory and Farm)	Cheese (Factory and Farm)	Condensery Products	Other Purposes (a)
Month of - April	1955	88,800	58,689	3,990	3,014	23,107
	1956	90,012	58,076	4,032	4,070	23,834
	1957	82,377	50,108	4,190	4,235	23,844
May	1955	74,286	45,034	3,478	2,581	23,193
	1956	77,643	46,560	3,621	3,717	23,745
	1957	68,327	37,066	3,509	3,462	24,290
June	1955	65,509	36,532	3,628	2,416	22,933
	1956	68,905	38,283	3,742	3,306	23,574
	1957	58,906	28,544	3,362	3,073	23,927
Year ended June	1955	1,325,799	886,652	98,569	64,365	276,213
	1956	1,405,292	962,397	84,021	74,604	284,270
	1957	1,362,261	894,146	98,885	81,420	287,810
Month of - July	1955	71,779	40,109	4,743	3,311	23,616
	1956	77,066	43,901	5,155	3,967	24,043
	1957	68,908	36,067	4,403	3,721	24,717
August	1955	98,093	62,184	6,891	5,350	23,668
	1956	102,590	64,852	7,831	5,926	23,981
	1957	89,860	53,139	6,347	5,753	24,621
September	1955	125,168	84,948	9,512	7,496	23,212
	1956	123,674	81,223	10,948	8,014	23,489
	1957	120,979	79,027	9,242	8,606	24,104
Period - July to September	1955	295,040	187,241	21,146	16,157	70,496
	1956	303,330	189,976	23,934	17,907	71,513
	1957	279,747	168,233	19,992	18,080	73,442

(a) Principally fluid milk for domestic purposes.

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TABLE 4 : BUTTER : FACTORY PRODUCTION, STATES

(Tons of 2,240 lb.)

State	Year	Month of -			Year ended June	Month of -			July to September
		April	May	June		July	August	September	
New South Wales	1955	3,050	2,098	1,494	38,688	1,474	2,015	2,876	6,365
	1956	2,756	1,999	1,512	41,066	1,383	1,889	2,298	5,570
	1957	2,624	2,013	1,345	33,811	1,264	1,416	2,250	4,930
Victoria	1955	4,247	3,095	2,343	79,418	3,016	6,051	9,135	18,202
	1956	4,748	3,891	3,017	90,608	3,997	6,824	9,348	20,169
	1957	3,926	2,725	2,066	88,574	3,221	5,981	9,396	18,598
Queensland	1955	4,120	3,143	2,487	45,915	2,432	2,989	3,350	8,771
	1956	3,599	2,620	2,120	48,189	2,140	2,689	2,771	7,600
	1957	2,844	1,880	1,249	41,077	1,448	1,736	2,290	5,474
South Australia	1955	401	487	638	8,510	721	950	1,040	2,711
	1956	341	508	647	8,562	749	976	980	2,705
	1957	337	421	489	8,328	614	710	820	2,144
Western Australia	1955	144	348	545	7,145	711	883	975	2,569
	1956	126	346	575	7,404	764	930	1,009	2,703
	1957	122	358	594	7,464	820	926	1,007	2,753
Tasmania	1955	396	264	120	8,334	125	389	821	1,335
	1956	759	481	198	9,962	196	450	871	1,517
	1957	663	321	149	10,433	202	488	1,088	1,778
AUSTRALIA	1955	12,358	9,435	7,627	188,010	8,479	13,277	18,197	39,953
	1956	12,329	9,845	8,069	205,791	9,229	13,758	17,277	40,264
	1957	10,516	7,718	5,892	189,687	7,569	11,257	16,851	35,677

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TABLE 5 : CHEESE : FACTORY PRODUCTION, STATES

(Tons of 2,240 lb.)

State	Year	Month of -			Year ended June	Month of -			July to September
		April	May	June		July	August	September	
New South Wales	1955	217	137	105	2,508	118	168	242	528
	1956	281	168	150	3,379	173	194	274	641
	1957	310	267	207	4,019	202	212	314	728
Victoria	1955	798	515	365	20,290	487	940	1,545	2,972
	1956	906	668	489	13,996	724	1,330	2,131	4,185
	1957	980	599	454	20,204	623	1,050	1,692	3,365
Queensland	1955	547	439	453	7,921	521	659	769	1,949
	1956	384	282	307	7,579	382	623	745	1,750
	1957	340	226	215	7,152	291	448	571	1,310
South Australia	1955	228	449	681	13,101	992	1,330	1,730	4,052
	1956	212	483	715	12,633	993	1,289	1,653	3,935
	1957	210	453	597	11,943	818	1,097	1,520	3,435
Western Australia	1955	20	49	58	1,083	52	65	87	204
	1956	47	47	51	763	76	118	157	351
	1957	24	31	34	1,152	86	111	149	346
Tasmania	1955	6	-	-	275	-	-	3	3
	1956	30	18	3	331	4	7	13	24
	1957	22	13	2	334	2	6	18	26
AUSTRALIA	1955	1,816	1,589	1,662	45,178	2,170	3,162	4,376	9,708
	1956	1,860	1,666	1,715	38,681	2,352	3,561	4,973	10,886
	1957	1,886	1,589	1,529	44,804	2,022	2,924	4,264	9,210

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TABLE 6 : PRODUCTION OF CONDENSED, POWDERED, ETC. MILK PRODUCTS : AUSTRALIA

(Tons of 2,240 lb.)

Period	Year	Full-Cream Milk Products				Milk By-Products	
		Condensed Milk (Sweetened and Unsweetened)	Concentrated Whole Milk (a)	Powdered Full-Cream Milk	Infants' and Invalids' Foods (b)	Powdered Skim Milk	Powdered Butter-milk and Whey
Month of -							
April	1955	1,707	665	758	546	803	290
	1956	2,112	1,054	961	987	1,094	272
	1957	2,044	1,994	1,030	971	1,241	286
May	1955	1,133	367	728	926	462	266
	1956	2,060	646	892	1,038	1,226	247
	1957	1,611	1,130	793	1,011	1,082	249
June	1955	1,121	229	666	987	303	238
	1956	1,581	667	746	1,201	1,044	245
	1957	1,054	840	650	1,230	1,034	213
Year ended	1955	38,493	10,476	15,730	11,294	22,633	5,086
June	1956	45,266	14,951	17,274	13,096	31,065	4,940
	1957	48,575	20,469	17,637	13,628	30,795	5,621
Month of -							
July	1955	1,422	376	981	936	636	272
	1956	1,943	688	840	1,066	1,180	296
	1957	1,758	950	758	1,272	1,008	280
August	1955	2,841	1,023	1,383	1,101	1,592	393
	1956	3,539	969	1,338	1,056	2,276	461
	1957	3,350	1,178	1,208	1,365	1,915	399
September	1955	4,378	1,663	1,736	1,324	3,143	524
	1956	4,835	1,657	1,730	1,336	3,408	543
	1957	4,817	1,817	1,930	1,338	3,371	557
Period -							
July to	1955	8,641	3,062	4,100	3,361	5,371	1,189
September	1956	10,317	3,314	3,908	3,458	6,864	1,300
	1957	9,925	3,945	3,896	3,975	6,294	1,236

(a) Principally for use in ice-cream manufacture.

(b) Includes Milk Sugar, Malted Milk and a small quantity of non-fat Malted Milk.

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