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STATISTICAL BULLETIN : THE MEAT INDUSTRY, AUSTRALIA - JANUARY, 1962

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. Until results of the census of all slaughtering establishments (conducted annually) are known, monthly details are subject to amendment.

In January, 1962, slaughtering of cattle, calves and sheep were greater, but lambs and pigs were less, than in the previous month. Slaughtering of all classes of livestock were however greater in January, 1962, than in January, 1961.

The total carcass weight of meat produced in Australia in January, 1962, was 118,800 tons, 3,300 tons (2.9 per cent.) greater than production in the previous month, and 19,500 tons (19.7 per cent.) greater than production in January, 1961.

Further details of slaughtering and meat production are given in the following tables, together with information on bacon and ham and canned meat production, exports of fresh, frozen and processed meats and stocks of frozen meats.

TABLE 1. - LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED : AUSTRALIA ('000)

Period	Cattle	Calves	CATTLE & CALVES	Sheep	Lambs	SHEEP & LAMBS	Pigs
Year : 1957-58	3,565.8	1,773.0	5,338.8	14,354.7	10,354.4	24,709.1	2,066.3
1958-59	4,191.1	1,681.2	5,872.3	15,756.5	11,795.4	27,551.9	2,077.0
1959-60	3,435.1	1,526.8	4,961.9	19,526.1	13,647.2	33,173.3	2,032.7
1960-61 (a)	2,948.2	1,405.9	4,354.1	18,886.5	13,323.9	32,210.4	2,209.3
1960-61(a):December	189.0	85.9	274.9	1,717.0	1,221.1	2,938.1	210.3
January	202.5	83.9	286.4	1,593.9	1,023.6	2,617.5	165.5
February	223.0	72.5	295.5	1,706.8	954.7	2,661.5	172.6
March	257.9	81.6	339.5	1,821.4	1,011.1	2,832.5	198.4
April	244.1	85.6	329.7	1,497.2	871.8	2,369.0	178.9
May	334.8	95.5	430.3	1,619.7	930.5	2,550.2	196.0
June	370.4	111.4	481.8	1,500.3	967.4	2,467.7	188.5
1961-62(a):July	318.3	145.4	463.7	1,389.0	983.7	2,372.7	185.5
August	300.6	218.8	519.4	1,435.9	1,117.5	2,553.4	194.0
September	275.0	196.0	471.0	1,555.2	1,303.2	2,858.4	205.9
October	257.1	141.8	398.9	1,801.1	1,565.8	3,366.9	211.7
November	273.3	119.0	392.3	1,835.4	1,435.1	3,270.5	227.9
December	249.8	93.6	343.4	1,656.8	1,185.7	2,842.5	222.7
January	271.2	92.9	364.1	1,663.6	1,117.3	2,780.9	190.4

(a) Subject to revision.

TABLE 2. - PRODUCTION OF MEAT (a) : AUSTRALIA, (Tons - Carcass weight)

Period	Beef	Veal	BEEF & VEAL	Mutton	Lamb	MUTTON & LAMB	Pigmeat	TOTAL MEAT
Year : 1957-58	733,084	58,372	791,456	269,780	151,696	421,476	101,615	1,314,547
1958-59	849,264	57,119	906,383	310,381	181,945	492,326	101,886	1,500,595
1959-60	707,482	44,298	751,780	370,427	202,906	573,333	100,594	1,425,707
1960-61 (b)	602,835	39,120	641,955	360,513	203,636	564,149	107,476	1,313,580
1960-61(b):December	38,663	2,506	41,169	34,069	18,901	52,970	9,667	103,806
January	41,359	2,669	44,028	31,327	15,745	47,072	8,211	99,311
February	43,896	2,346	46,242	32,289	14,615	46,904	8,476	101,622
March	51,195	2,702	53,897	33,892	15,384	49,276	9,675	112,848
April	48,567	2,788	51,355	28,116	13,225	41,341	8,847	101,543
May	66,970	3,025	69,995	30,230	14,056	44,286	9,642	123,923
June	76,486	3,378	79,864	28,493	14,787	43,280	9,211	132,355
1961-62(b):July	66,907	3,830	70,737	26,590	14,909	41,499	9,031	121,267
August	62,610	5,336	67,946	27,590	16,918	44,508	9,383	121,837
September	57,574	4,795	62,369	30,333	19,811	50,144	9,970	122,483
October	53,842	3,862	57,704	35,047	24,031	59,078	10,064	126,846
November	56,239	3,375	59,614	35,825	21,873	57,698	10,795	128,107
December	52,116	2,801	54,917	32,605	18,042	50,647	9,943	115,507
January	56,483	3,176	59,659	32,737	17,335	50,072	9,098	118,829

(a) Excludes Offal.

(b) Subject to revision.

TABLE 3. - CATTLE SLAUGHTERED AND BEEF AND VEAL PRODUCED (a)

State	Month of -		Seven Months Ended -		Month of -		Seven Months Ended -	
	Jan., 1961	Jan., 1962	Jan., 1961	Jan., 1962	Jan., 1961	Jan., 1962	Jan., 1961	Jan., 1962
	<u>CATTLE Slaughtered ('000)</u>				<u>BEEF Produced (Tons)</u>			
New South Wales	65.8	85.2	406.1	562.6	13,378	17,497	82,435	114,190
Victoria	52.3	78.2	319.4	447.1	10,288	15,672	62,776	90,728
Queensland	52.9	71.7	547.0	673.1	11,183	15,901	118,167	145,636
South Australia	10.6	11.8	71.7	74.3	2,217	2,444	15,226	15,751
Western Australia	11.6	14.0	109.4	123.2	2,327	2,853	23,491	26,387
Tasmania	6.6	7.7	44.6	45.0	1,432	1,609	9,559	9,493
<u>AUSTRALIA: (b)</u>	202.5	271.2	1,518.0	1,945.3	41,359	56,483	315,721	405,771
	<u>CALVES Slaughtered ('000)</u>				<u>VEAL Produced (Tons)</u>			
New South Wales	35.4	36.8	330.8	333.4	1,236	1,379	9,947	10,492
Victoria	13.3	15.4	310.0	337.1	378	530	6,702	7,543
Queensland	27.6	34.4	235.6	255.6	767	961	5,675	6,499
South Australia	5.4	5.0	41.3	38.9	206	208	1,476	1,491
Western Australia	1.4	1.4	11.0	9.8	56	69	461	476
Tasmania	0.8	0.8	30.0	33.5	25	25	598	659
<u>AUSTRALIA: (b)</u>	83.9	93.9	959.3	1,008.5	2,669	3,176	24,881	27,175
	<u>CATTLE AND CALVES Slaughtered ('000)</u>				<u>BEEF AND VEAL Produced (Tons)</u>			
New South Wales	101.2	122.0	736.9	896.0	14,614	18,876	92,382	124,682
Victoria	65.6	93.6	629.4	784.2	10,666	16,202	69,478	98,271
Queensland	80.5	106.1	782.6	928.7	11,950	16,862	123,842	152,135
South Australia	16.0	16.8	113.0	113.2	2,423	2,652	16,702	17,242
Western Australia	13.0	15.4	120.4	133.0	2,383	2,922	23,952	26,863
Tasmania	7.4	8.5	74.6	78.5	1,457	1,634	10,157	10,152
<u>AUSTRALIA: (b)</u>	286.4	365.1	2,477.3	2,953.8	44,028	59,659	340,602	432,946

(a) Carcass weight. Subject to revision. (b) Includes N.T. and A.C.T.

TABLE 4. - SHEEP AND LAMBS SLAUGHTERED AND MUTTON AND LAMB PRODUCED (a)

State	Month of -		Seven Months Ended -		Month of -		Seven Months Ended -	
	Jan., 1961	Jan., 1962	Jan., 1961	Jan., 1962	Jan., 1961	Jan., 1962	Jan., 1961	Jan., 1962
	<u>SHEEP Slaughtered ('000)</u>				<u>MUTTON Produced (Tons)</u>			
New South Wales	491.8	473.8	3,471.5	3,502.6	8,954	8,724	62,846	64,159
Victoria	672.5	740.7	3,733.2	4,426.6	14,080	15,245	78,261	91,980
Queensland	130.7	143.9	1,336.0	1,282.4	2,304	2,623	22,439	21,718
South Australia	122.5	139.2	884.4	959.1	2,540	2,902	18,368	19,991
Western Australia	128.2	112.1	1,052.7	869.3	2,472	2,173	20,269	17,025
Tasmania	44.1	49.7	237.1	273.5	901	993	4,816	5,439
<u>AUSTRALIA: (b)</u>	1,593.9	1,663.6	10,741.1	11,337.0	31,327	32,737	207,493	220,727
	<u>LAMBS Slaughtered ('000)</u>				<u>LAMB Produced (Tons)</u>			
New South Wales	430.3	462.8	3,029.4	3,169.0	6,796	7,484	46,677	50,296
Victoria	348.5	392.2	3,400.4	3,197.1	5,283	5,995	52,363	47,963
Queensland	26.7	29.7	205.7	195.0	368	423	2,813	2,760
South Australia	78.9	104.2	828.2	959.3	1,171	1,522	12,770	14,247
Western Australia	45.5	56.2	712.2	744.0	655	805	10,256	10,778
Tasmania	90.6	68.9	391.4	422.6	1,423	1,055	6,359	6,547
<u>AUSTRALIA: (b)</u>	1,023.6	1,117.3	8,588.4	8,708.3	15,745	17,335	131,569	132,919

(a) Carcass weight. Subject to revision. (b) Includes N.T. and A.C.T.

TABLE 4. - SHEEP AND LAMBS SLAUGHTERED AND MUTTON AND LAMB PRODUCED (a) (Cont'd.)

State	Month of -		Seven Months Ended -		Month of -		Seven Months Ended -	
	Jan., 1961	Jan., 1962	Jan., 1961	Jan., 1962	Jan., 1961	Jan., 1962	Jan., 1961	Jan., 1962
	<u>SHEEP AND LAMBS Slaughtered ('000)</u>				<u>MUTTON AND LAMB Produced (Tons)</u>			
New South Wales	922.1	936.6	6,500.9	6,671.6	15,750	16,208	109,523	114,455
Victoria	1,021.0	1,132.9	7,133.6	7,623.7	19,363	21,240	130,624	139,943
Queensland	157.4	173.6	1,541.7	1,477.4	2,672	3,046	25,252	24,478
South Australia	201.4	243.4	1,712.6	1,918.4	3,711	4,424	31,138	34,238
Western Australia	173.7	168.3	1,764.9	1,613.3	3,127	2,978	30,525	27,803
Tasmania	134.7	118.6	628.5	696.1	2,324	2,048	11,175	11,986
<u>AUSTRALIA: (b)</u>	2,617.5	2,780.9	19,329.5	20,045.3	47,072	50,072	339,062	353,646

(a) Carcass weight. Subject to revision. (b) Includes N.T. and A.C.T.

TABLE 5. - PIGS SLAUGHTERED AND PIGMEAT PRODUCED (a)

State	Month of -		Seven Months Ended -		Month of -		Seven Months Ended -	
	Jan., 1961	Jan., 1962	Jan., 1961	Jan., 1962	Jan., 1961	Jan., 1962	Jan., 1961	Jan., 1962
	<u>PIGS Slaughtered ('000)</u>				<u>PIGMEAT Produced (Tons)</u>			
New South Wales	47.2	52.8	381.6	422.7	2,107	2,310	16,733	18,326
Victoria	34.0	43.8	287.4	329.4	1,780	2,091	14,549	15,956
Queensland	44.2	45.2	312.6	333.3	2,232	2,282	15,088	16,407
South Australia	11.4	16.4	108.2	127.3	595	818	5,632	6,402
Western Australia	16.1	19.5	117.1	154.9	881	999	6,426	7,991
Tasmania	11.9	11.8	63.7	65.4	583	561	2,999	2,987
<u>AUSTRALIA: (b)</u>	165.5	190.4	1,274.9	1,438.1	8,211	9,098	61,625	68,284

(a) Carcass weight. Subject to revision. (b) Includes N.T. and A.C.T.

TABLE 6. - TOTAL ALL MEAT (a) (Tons)

State	Month of -		Seven Months Ended -	
	January, 1961	January, 1962	January, 1961	January, 1962
New South Wales	32,471	37,394	218,638	257,463
Victoria	31,809	39,533	214,651	254,170
Queensland	16,854	22,190	164,182	193,020
South Australia	6,729	7,894	53,472	57,882
Western Australia	6,391	6,899	60,903	62,657
Tasmania	4,364	4,243	24,331	25,125
<u>AUSTRALIA: (b)</u>	99,311	118,829	741,289	854,876

(a) Carcass weight. Subject to revision. (b) Includes N.T. and A.C.T.

TABLE 7. - PRODUCTION OF BACON AND HAM AND CANNED MEAT : AUSTRALIA (Tons)

Period	Bacon and Ham (a)	Canned Meat (b)	Period	Bacon and Ham (a)	Canned Meat (b)
Year : 1957-58	36,667	79,764	1960-61 (c) : May	3,281	5,949
1958-59	38,671	73,950	June	2,819	6,042
1959-60	36,582	69,908	1961-62 (c) : July	2,744	5,729
1960-61 (c)	36,895	49,716	August	3,086	5,914
1960-61 (c) : December	4,637	4,612	September	2,924	4,619
January	2,272	3,811	October	3,189	4,243
February	2,535	3,802	November	4,840	5,103
March	2,725	4,040	December	5,361	4,526
April	2,866	3,483	January	2,519	3,381

(a) Cured weight of smoked, cooked and canned Bacon and Ham.

(b) Canned weight. Includes canned Bacon and Ham; excludes canned Baby Foods.

(c) Subject to revision.

TABLE 8. - PRODUCTION OF BACON AND HAM AND CANNED MEAT : STATES (a) (Tons)

State	Month of ...		Seven Months Ended -		Month of -		Seven Months Ended -	
	Jan., 1961	Jan., 1962	Jan., 1961	Jan., 1962	Jan., 1961	Jan., 1962	Jan., 1961	Jan., 1962
	BACON AND HAM Produced (b) (Tons - Cured Carcass Weight)				CANNED MEAT Produced (c) (Tons - Canned Weight)			
New South Wales	716	698	7,079	6,799	499	568	3,511	4,857
Victoria	610	634	5,572	5,489	2,688	2,315	15,114	16,403
Queensland	552	682	5,689	7,948	547	327	7,036	11,361
South Australia	162	207	1,893	1,953	77	171	739	894
Western Australia	147	239	1,858	2,036				
Tasmania	85	59	578	438	-	-	-	-
AUSTRALIA:	2,272	2,519	22,669	24,663	3,811	3,381	26,400	33,515

(a) Subject to revision. (b) Smoked, cooked and canned. (c) Includes canned Bacon and Ham; excludes canned Baby Foods.

TABLE 9. - EXPORTS OF FRESH, FROZEN AND PROCESSED MEATS : AUSTRALIA

(Tons)

Period	Fresh and Frozen					Bacon and Ham (a)	Canned Meat (b)
	Beef	Veal	Mutton	Lamb	Pork		
Year : 1957-58	123,485	2,410	18,870	28,729	960	258	58,854
1958-59	222,945	4,877	33,326	40,711	835	205	56,719
1959-60	183,850	3,048	32,037	26,460	353	154	47,344
1960-61 (c)	132,003	2,010	37,086	28,778	440	168	30,356
1960-61 (c) : December	6,635	92	4,200	7,404	32	11	2,713
January	6,089	93	4,570	4,093	51	14	2,375
February	8,858	213	3,700	1,551	31	10	4,287
March	11,621	141	4,089	1,072	41	12	2,553
April	6,937	85	4,468	534	36	4	1,726
May	11,384	130	2,649	479	35	14	2,306
June	16,902	165	3,793	434	52	9	2,588
1961-62 (c) : July	15,205	158	2,414	314	37	15	2,969
August	18,533	343	2,267	228	33	5	3,399
September	15,500	414	2,763	865	98	17	3,089
October	19,378	305	2,968	3,305	177	18	3,642
November	13,826	368	5,434	5,806	96	35	3,486
December	14,869	199	4,805	2,512	45	7	2,660
January	18,350	133	5,736	1,589	53	2	2,309

(a) Cured carcass weight. (b) Canned weight. (c) Subject to revision.

TABLE 10. - STOCKS OF FROZEN MEAT (Tons)

(As recorded by Australian Meat Board)

State	Beef and Veal	Mutton	Lamb	Pork	Offal	Total
STOCKS HELD ON 28TH JANUARY, 1961						
New South Wales	1,693	671	257	257	524	3,402
Victoria	3,542	4,980	4,137	679	854	14,192
Queensland	5,462	427	13	79	576	6,557
South Australia	168	105	311	84	85	753
Western Australia	1,122	965	678	188	125	3,078
Tasmania	113	163	284	155	32	747
AUSTRALIA:	12,100	7,311	5,680	1,442	2,196	28,729

STOCKS HELD ON 3RD FEBRUARY, 1962

New South Wales	3,434	908	255	389	893	5,879
Victoria	5,282	4,964	1,417	565	1,417	13,645
Queensland	8,509	324	16	212	960	10,021
South Australia	204	473	157	68	108	1,010
Western Australia	1,722	796	305	677	173	3,673
Tasmania	340	270	62	242	37	951
AUSTRALIA:	19,491	7,735	2,212	2,153	3,588	35,179