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NOTE: The last full issue of this Bulletin (Vol. 21, No. 14) giving detailed statistics for the year ended December, 1958, was released on 20th March, 1959.

Whole Milk: Total milk production for the eleven months ended May, 1959, is estimated at 1,302.1 million gallons. This was 105.1 million gallons (8.8 per cent.) higher than production for the corresponding period in 1957-58 and 3.0 million gallons (0.2 per cent.) higher than production for this period in 1956-57. In the eleven months ended May, 1959, production was higher than in the previous year in all States except Western Australia. In Queensland production increased by 49.8 million gallons (25.8 per cent.), in New South Wales by 40.7 million gallons (15.1 per cent.), in South Australia by 3.2 million gallons (4.4 per cent.) in Victoria by 11.8 million gallons (2.2 per cent.) and in Tasmania by 0.9 million gallons (1.4 per cent.). Production decreased in Western Australia by 1.4 million gallons (2.9 per cent.).

Of the total production of 1,302.1 million gallons in the eleven months ended May, 1959, 865.0 million gallons (66.4 per cent.) were used in butter making, 37.6 million gallons (6.8 per cent.) in cheese making, 74.2 million gallons (5.7 per cent.) in the manufacture of condensery products and 275.3 million gallons (21.1 per cent.) for other purposes, principally as fluid milk for domestic purposes.

Butter: Factory production of butter for the eleven months ended May, 1959, at 183,458 tons was 17,670 tons (10.7 per cent.) higher than for this period in 1957-58, but 484 tons (0.3 per cent.) lower than for the same period in 1956-57.

Cheese: For the eleven months ended May, 1959, factory production of cheese at 40,402 tons was 7,197 tons (21.7 per cent.) higher than for the corresponding period in 1957-58, but 3,230 tons (7.4 per cent.) below production for this period in 1956-57.

Condensery Products: In the eleven months ended May, 1959, increases in production, over the corresponding period of the previous year, were recorded for condensed full cream unsweetened milk, powdered full cream milk and infants' and invalids' foods. During the same period however, the production of condensed full cream sweetened milk fell substantially. There was an increase in the production of the various milk by-products with the exception of condensed skim and buttermilk. In terms of whole milk equivalent, the quantity of full cream condensery products produced in the eleven months ended May, 1959, was 74.2 million gallons, which was 0.7 per cent. above that for this period in 1957-58, but 1.4 per cent. below that for the same period in 1956-57.

A brief summary is set out in Table 1 below, showing dairy production for the eleven months ended May, 1959, in comparison with the corresponding periods in 1956-57 and 1957-58.

TABLE 1 : DAIRY PRODUCTION, AUSTRALIA

Item		Eleven months ended May				
		1957	1958	1959	Percentage Increase (+) or Decrease (-), 1958-59 on -	
					1956-57	1957-58
Whole Milk (a)	'000 gals.	1,297,025	1,196,943	1,302,046	(+) 0.2	(+) 8.8
Factory Butter	tons	183,942	165,788	183,458	(-) 0.3	(+) 10.7
Factory Cheese	tons	43,632	33,205	40,402	(-) 7.4	(+) 21.7
Condensery Products (Whole Milk equivalent)	'000 gals.	75,285	73,696	74,188	(-) 1.4	(+) 0.7

(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 -						July to May
		Dec.	January	Feb.	March	April	May	
New South Wales	1956-57	31,397	31,859	28,474	29,866	24,243	21,284	288,640
	1957-58	24,975	26,674	27,844	29,353	24,714	21,872	269,573
	1958-59	33,913	37,453	32,285	30,546	25,441	22,364	310,278
Victoria	1956-57	76,806	62,062	43,366	37,044	29,441	22,710	563,001
	1957-58	75,140	59,833	42,578	37,286	26,813	20,617	547,033
	1958-59	77,432	59,597	42,908	42,836	34,647	26,231	558,844
Queensland	1956-57	27,204	33,830	28,223	24,601	17,760	13,113	242,210
	1957-58	17,155	16,247	22,428	26,601	20,870	16,794	193,388
	1958-59	25,160	33,249	29,339	25,639	20,371	16,270	243,202
South Australia	1956-57	8,805	6,864	4,869	4,346	4,210	5,142	84,171
	1957-58	7,712	6,157	4,424	3,868	3,806	4,567	73,524
	1958-59	8,497	6,465	4,832	4,402	4,432	4,901	76,735
Western Australia	1956-57	5,640	3,832	2,386	2,076	2,163	3,356	52,532
	1957-58	4,920	3,378	2,209	2,008	2,012	2,851	49,612
	1958-59	5,349	3,611	2,347	2,092	2,076	3,102	48,183
Tasmania	1956-57	8,833	7,811	5,891	5,271	4,238	2,591	62,569
	1957-58	9,418	7,772	5,334	4,689	3,362	2,235	63,025
	1958-59	9,659	7,567	5,558	5,606	4,135	2,825	63,901
AUSTRALIA (a)	1956-57	153,787	146,395	113,282	103,277	82,174	68,254	1,299,025
	1957-58	139,399	120,184	104,883	103,872	81,637	68,994	1,196,943
	1958-59	160,098	148,030	117,343	111,200	91,176	75,766	1,302,046

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

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

Quantity of Milk Used for-	Year	Month of -						July to May
		Dec.	January	Feb.	March	April	May	
Butter (Factory and Farm)	1956-57	112,363	103,443	76,654	66,761	49,970	37,036	862,291
	1957-58	97,187	81,873	70,320	63,742	49,840	37,540	781,257
	1958-59	114,933	105,437	80,186	73,683	56,846	42,391	865,006
Cheese (Factory and Farm)	1956-57	12,581	9,949	6,711	5,944	4,147	3,493	51,873
	1957-58	8,354	6,306	4,838	4,352	3,417	3,278	72,202
	1958-59	10,558	9,603	7,004	6,244	4,933	4,252	87,590
Condensery Products	1956-57	9,650	8,691	6,498	5,569	3,968	3,196	75,285
	1957-58	9,364	7,733	6,052	5,386	4,008	3,326	73,696
	1958-59	9,965	8,042	5,812	5,521	4,085	3,876	74,188
Other Purposes (a)	1956-57	24,193	24,312	23,419	25,003	24,089	24,529	266,576
	1957-58	24,494	24,272	23,673	25,352	24,372	24,850	269,788
	1958-59	24,642	24,948	24,341	25,752	25,262	25,247	275,262
TOTAL WHOLE MILK PRODUCED	1956-57	153,787	146,395	113,282	103,277	82,174	68,254	1,299,025
	1957-58	139,399	120,184	104,883	103,872	81,637	68,994	1,196,943
	1958-59	160,098	148,030	117,343	111,200	91,176	75,766	1,302,046

(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 -						July to May
		Dec.	January	Feb.	March	April	May	
New South Wales	1956-57	3,847	3,957	3,463	3,586	2,625	2,014	32,481
	1957-58	2,611	2,967	3,274	3,494	2,685	2,074	28,257
	1958-59	4,401	5,149	4,200	3,716	2,787	2,199	36,024
Victoria	1956-57	12,395	9,807	6,420	5,136	3,927	2,726	86,531
	1957-58	12,395	9,663	6,524	5,445	3,510	2,311	84,204
	1958-59	12,819	9,453	6,423	6,321	4,873	3,216	85,796
Queensland	1956-57	4,698	5,987	4,907	4,166	2,845	1,881	39,840
	1957-58	2,691	2,515	3,771	4,573	3,454	2,591	30,150
	1958-59	4,129	5,699	4,995	4,270	3,256	2,412	38,890
South Australia	1956-57	802	615	397	345	342	427	7,945
	1957-58	683	541	334	273	272	353	6,409
	1958-59	727	511	354	309	331	357	6,447
Western Australia	1956-57	788	441	161	82	122	358	6,368
	1957-58	638	337	133	74	90	255	6,286
	1958-59	700	373	141	80	84	285	5,676
Tasmania	1956-57	1,557	1,359	984	843	662	321	10,277
	1957-58	1,681	1,362	891	752	498	262	10,482
	1958-59	1,731	1,317	927	918	634	366	10,625
AUSTRALIA	1956-57	24,087	22,166	16,332	14,158	10,523	7,727	183,942
	1957-58	20,699	17,385	14,927	14,611	10,509	7,846	165,788
	1958-59	24,507	22,502	17,040	15,614	11,965	8,835	183,458

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TABLE 5. CHEESE : FACTORY PRODUCTION. STATES

(Tons of 2,240 lb.)

State	Year	Month of -						July to May
		Dec.	January	Feb.	March	April	May	
New South Wales	1956-57	492	425	370	405	310	267	3,812
	1957-58	349	356	390	433	349	278	3,783
	1958-59	492	514	445	476	415	361	4,795
Victoria	1956-57	2,970	2,109	1,453	1,410	996	609	20,080
	1957-58	1,817	1,343	909	737	560	454	13,371
	1958-59	2,054	1,762	1,332	1,298	1,004	614	15,967
Queensland	1956-57	728	995	741	604	339	226	6,922
	1957-58	355	329	475	613	448	383	4,839
	1958-59	759	1,139	901	717	538	453	7,614
South Australia	1956-57	1,412	890	425	230	210	454	11,360
	1957-58	1,779	756	374	164	161	345	9,907
	1958-59	1,394	888	465	299	281	446	10,633
Western Australia	1956-57	143	100	52	40	25	32	1,127
	1957-58	91	71	44	35	19	21	981
	1958-59	128	73	43	43	26	60	1,046
Tasmania	1956-57	55	48	37	32	22	13	331
	1957-58	60	48	25	22	20	14	324
	1958-59	58	45	32	37	25	13	347
AUSTRALIA	1956-57	5,800	4,567	3,078	2,721	1,902	1,601	43,632
	1957-58	3,851	2,903	2,217	2,004	1,557	1,495	33,205
	1958-59	4,885	4,421	3,218	2,870	2,289	1,947	40,402

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TABLE 6 : PRODUCTION OF CONDENSED, POWDERED, ETC. MILK PRODUCTS : AUSTRALIA
(Tons of 2,240 lb.)

Product	Year	Month of -						July to
		Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	May
FULL CREAM MILK								
PRODUCTS -								
Condensed, Concentrated and Evaporated Full Cream Milk (a) -								
Sweetened (b)	1956-57	5,424	4,829	2,930	1,655	1,634	1,313	39,147
	1957-58	4,783	3,619	2,918	2,586	1,774	1,059	36,196
	1958-59	4,473	3,189	2,499	2,216	1,797	1,122	30,858
Unsweetened	1956-57	3,196	2,897	2,785	2,806	2,338	1,404	27,182
	1957-58	3,901	2,679	2,179	2,317	1,986	1,742	28,161
	1958-59	3,974	2,829	2,076	2,627	2,068	1,190	28,745
Powdered Full Cream Milk	1956-57	2,088	1,856	1,499	1,597	1,043	803	17,206
	1957-58	2,044	1,881	1,643	1,320	988	910	17,198
	1958-59	2,535	2,394	1,429	1,472	927	851	18,516
Infants' and Invalids' Foods (c)	1956-57	1,115	888	989	1,271	971	1,011	12,336
	1957-58	1,112	883	917	1,152	1,008	1,074	12,855
	1958-59	1,282	806	1,102	1,044	1,214	1,041	13,024
MILK BY-PRODUCTS -								
Condensed, Concentrated and Evaporated Skim and Buttermilk	1956-57	553	1,183	1,072	609	164	26	4,680
	1957-58	523	768	891	854	750	253	6,190
	1958-59	517	607	308	211	181	308	4,828
Powdered Skim Milk	1956-57	4,182	3,081	1,945	1,729	1,235	1,217	29,540
	1957-58	3,048	1,998	1,454	1,276	800	516	23,475
	1958-59	5,096	4,104	2,906	2,401	1,813	1,635	33,042
Powdered Buttermilk and Whey (d)	1956-57	659	679	457	357	285	265	5,327
	1957-58	686	534	409	359	273	199	5,328
	1958-59	782	646	412	420	305	263	5,592
Casein	1956-57	1,228	936	513	344	281	169	7,582
	1957-58	1,644	1,210	814	696	422	288	10,144
	1958-59	1,511	1,121	637	695	498	358	10,341

(a) Includes (i) mixtures of Full Cream and Skim Milk and (ii) mixtures of Full Cream, Skim and Buttermilk. (b) Includes "Coffee and Milk". (c) Includes Malted Milk and Milk Sugar (Lactose). (d) Includes Powdered Mixed Skim and Buttermilk.

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