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STATISTICAL BULLETIN : THE MEAT INDUSTRY, AUSTRALIA - DECEMBER, 1961

The statistics in this Bulletin are divided into five groups - I. Livestock Slaughtered and Meat Produced, II. Production of Bacon and Ham and Canned Meats, III. Stocks of Frozen Meat, IV. Exports of Fresh and Frozen and Processed Meats, and V. Utilisation of Meat.

I. LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED AND MEAT PRODUCED

Tables 1 to 8 following show details of monthly and annual slaughterings of livestock for human consumption. The figures do not include animals condemned or those killed for boiling down.

Slaughterings of all livestock were lower in December, 1961 compared with those in the previous month. When compared with December, 1960 most were higher, the exceptions being slaughterings of sheep and lambs.

The total carcass weight of meat produced in Australia during December, 1961 was 115,500 tons which was 12,600 tons, or 9.8 per cent., less than production in the previous month. It was, however, 11,700 tons, or 11.3 per cent., greater than production in December, 1960.

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):November	194.7	107.1	301.8	1,756.5	1,526.1	3,282.6	186.2
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

(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):November	40,240	2,976	43,216	34,455	23,925	58,380	9,116	110,712
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

(a) Excludes Offal. (b) Subject to revision.

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

State	Month of -		Six Months Ended -		Month of -		Six Months Ended -	
	Dec., 1960	Dec., 1961	Dec., 1960	Dec., 1961	Dec., 1960	Dec., 1961	Dec., 1960	Dec., 1961
	<u>CATTLE Slaughtered ('000)</u>				<u>BEEF Produced (Tons)</u>			
New South Wales	65.3	82.5	340.3	477.4	13,538	16,727	69,057	96,693
Victoria	51.8	71.3	267.1	368.9	9,940	14,756	52,488	75,056
Queensland	40.8	61.2	494.1	601.4	8,660	13,415	106,984	129,735
South Australia	9.8	10.5	61.1	62.5	2,055	2,197	13,009	13,307
Western Australia	12.4	15.5	97.8	109.2	2,601	3,216	21,164	23,534
Tasmania	6.0	6.5	38.0	37.3	1,307	1,367	8,127	7,884
<u>AUSTRALIA: (b)</u>	189.0	249.8	1,315.5	1,674.1	38,663	52,116	274,362	349,288
	<u>CALVES Slaughtered ('000)</u>				<u>VEAL Produced (Tons)</u>			
New South Wales	37.0	38.2	295.4	296.6	1,210	1,294	8,711	9,113
Victoria	13.7	16.9	296.7	321.7	341	415	6,324	7,013
Queensland	27.3	31.0	208.0	221.2	660	785	4,908	5,538
South Australia	5.4	5.1	35.9	33.9	203	208	1,270	1,283
Western Australia	1.7	1.5	9.6	8.4	70	71	405	407
Tasmania	0.7	0.8	29.2	32.7	18	26	573	634
<u>AUSTRALIA: (b)</u>	85.9	93.6	875.4	914.6	2,506	2,801	22,212	23,999
	<u>CATTLE AND CALVES Slaughtered ('000)</u>				<u>BEEF AND VEAL Produced (Tons)</u>			
New South Wales	102.3	120.7	635.7	774.0	14,748	18,021	77,768	105,806
Victoria	65.5	88.2	563.8	690.6	10,281	15,171	58,812	82,069
Queensland	68.1	92.2	702.1	822.6	9,320	14,200	111,892	135,273
South Australia	15.2	15.6	97.0	96.4	2,258	2,405	14,279	14,590
Western Australia	14.1	17.0	107.4	117.6	2,671	3,287	21,569	23,941
Tasmania	6.7	7.3	67.2	70.0	1,325	1,393	8,700	8,518
<u>AUSTRALIA: (b)</u>	274.9	343.4	2,190.9	2,588.7	41,169	54,917	296,574	373,287

(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 -		Six Months Ended -		Month of -		Six Months Ended -	
	Dec., 1960	Dec., 1961	Dec., 1960	Dec., 1961	Dec., 1960	Dec., 1961	Dec., 1960	Dec., 1961
	<u>SHEEP Slaughtered ('000)</u>				<u>MUTTON Produced (Tons)</u>			
New South Wales	503.1	448.3	2,979.7	3,028.8	9,128	8,142	53,892	55,435
Victoria	750.3	787.9	3,060.7	3,685.9	16,044	16,320	64,181	76,735
Queensland	166.1	124.9	1,205.3	1,138.5	2,881	2,224	20,135	19,095
South Australia	117.3	134.2	761.9	819.9	2,453	2,758	15,828	17,089
Western Australia	142.5	122.1	924.5	757.2	2,803	2,356	17,797	14,852
Tasmania	34.1	36.3	193.0	223.8	693	751	3,915	4,446
<u>AUSTRALIA: (b)</u>	1,717.0	1,656.8	9,147.2	9,673.4	34,069	32,605	176,166	187,990

(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) (Continued)

State	Month of -		Six Months Ended -		Month of -		Six Months Ended -	
	Dec., 1960	Dec., 1961	Dec., 1960	Dec., 1961	Dec., 1960	Dec., 1961	Dec., 1960	Dec., 1961
	<u>LAMBS Slaughtered ('000)</u>				<u>LAMB Produced (Tons)</u>			
New South Wales	443.8	432.2	2,599.1	2,706.2	7,029	6,804	39,881	42,812
Victoria	513.8	468.6	3,051.9	2,804.9	7,878	7,065	47,080	41,968
Queensland	32.4	23.2	179.0	165.3	459	329	2,445	2,337
South Australia	78.0	97.3	749.3	855.1	1,181	1,418	11,599	12,725
Western Australia	55.2	66.0	666.7	687.8	793	960	9,601	9,973
Tasmania	94.9	95.4	300.8	353.7	1,514	1,420	4,936	5,492
<u>AUSTRALIA: (b)</u>	1,221.1	1,185.7	7,564.8	7,591.0	18,901	18,042	115,824	115,584
	<u>SHEEP AND LAMBS Slaughtered ('000)</u>				<u>MUTTON AND LAMB Produced (Tons)</u>			
New South Wales	946.9	880.5	5,578.8	5,735.0	16,157	14,946	93,773	98,247
Victoria	1,264.1	1,256.5	6,112.6	6,490.8	23,922	23,385	111,261	118,703
Queensland	198.5	148.1	1,384.3	1,303.8	3,340	2,553	22,580	21,432
South Australia	195.3	231.5	1,511.2	1,675.0	3,634	4,176	27,427	29,814
Western Australia	197.7	188.1	1,591.2	1,445.0	3,596	3,316	27,398	24,825
Tasmania	129.0	131.7	493.8	577.5	2,207	2,171	8,851	9,938
<u>AUSTRALIA: (b)</u>	2,938.1	2,842.5	16,712.0	17,264.4	52,970	50,647	291,990	303,574

(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 -		Six Months Ended -		Month of -		Six Months Ended -	
	Dec., 1960	Dec., 1961	Dec., 1960	Dec., 1961	Dec., 1960	Dec., 1961	Dec., 1960	Dec., 1961
	<u>PIGS Slaughtered ('000)</u>				<u>PIGMEAT Produced (Tons)</u>			
New South Wales	62.9	64.4	334.4	369.9	2,601	2,658	14,626	16,016
Victoria	55.4	60.2	253.4	285.6	2,716	2,741	12,769	13,865
Queensland	46.1	44.7	268.4	288.1	2,130	2,082	12,856	14,129
South Australia	16.5	19.8	96.8	110.9	777	897	5,037	5,584
Western Australia	17.2	21.3	101.0	135.4	873	1,000	5,545	6,992
Tasmania	11.5	11.6	51.8	53.6	537	534	2,416	2,426
<u>AUSTRALIA: (b)</u>	210.3	222.7	1,109.4	1,247.7	9,667	9,943	53,414	59,186

(a) Carcass weight. Subject to revision.

(b) Includes N.T. and A.C.T.

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

State	Month of -		Six Months Ended -	
	December, 1960	December, 1961	December, 1960	December, 1961
New South Wales	33,506	35,625	186,167	220,069
Victoria	36,919	41,297	182,842	214,637
Queensland	14,790	18,835	147,328	170,830
South Australia	6,669	7,478	46,743	49,988
Western Australia	7,140	7,603	54,512	55,758
Tasmania	4,069	4,098	19,967	20,882
<u>AUSTRALIA: (b)</u>	103,806	115,507	641,978	736,047

(a) Carcass weight. Subject to revision.

(b) Includes N.T. and A.C.T.

TABLE 7. - NUMBER OF LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED (a) : STATES

('000)

Period	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Australia (b)
CATTLE							
1957-58	1,069	844	1,163	184	185	87	3,566
1958-59	1,275	870	1,507	196	218	92	4,191
1959-60	972	781	1,178	150	217	104	3,435
1960-61 (c)	796	607	1,117	122	188	85	2,948
Six months ended -							
December - 1960 (c)	340	267	494	61	98	38	1,316
1961 (c)	477	369	601	63	109	37	1,674
CALVES							
1957-58	673	559	378	99	31	31	1,773
1958-59	619	527	375	91	31	36	1,681
1959-60	526	497	348	88	26	41	1,527
1960-61 (c)	500	411	375	67	18	36	1,406
Six months ended -							
December - 1960 (c)	295	297	208	36	10	29	875
1961 (c)	297	322	221	34	8	33	915
SHEEP							
1957-58	4,269	5,500	1,194	1,894	1,159	283	14,355
1958-59	4,652	5,940	1,402	1,760	1,598	363	15,757
1959-60	5,530	7,623	1,786	2,236	1,801	505	19,526
1960-61 (c)	6,443	6,371	2,333	1,517	1,700	475	18,887
Six months ended -							
December - 1960 (c)	2,980	3,061	1,205	762	925	193	9,147
1961 (c)	3,029	3,686	1,139	820	757	224	9,673
LAMBS							
1957-58	3,492	4,123	185	1,384	697	451	10,354
1958-59	4,209	4,573	231	1,385	817	546	11,795
1959-60	5,222	4,888	327	1,663	850	661	13,647
1960-61 (c)	5,194	4,981	379	1,175	949	608	13,324
Six months ended							
December - 1960 (c)	2,599	3,052	179	749	667	301	7,565
1961 (c)	2,706	2,804	165	855	688	353	7,591
PIGS							
1957-58	638	473	462	175	219	91	2,066
1958-59	604	462	521	179	197	107	2,077
1959-60	584	458	530	171	168	115	2,033
1960-61 (c)	651	508	551	182	194	114	2,209
Six months ended							
December - 1960 (c)	334	253	268	97	101	52	1,109
1961 (c)	369	286	288	111	135	54	1,248

(a) For human consumption only. Excludes animals condemned and those killed for boiling down.

(b) Includes N.T. and A.C.T.

(c) Subject to revision.

TABLE 8. - PRODUCTION OF MEAT (Excluding Offal) : STATES

(Tons - Carcass weight)

Period	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Australia (a)
BEEF							
1957-58	206,497	164,709	260,105	37,128	38,342	19,325	733,084
1958-59	250,183	172,411	317,263	38,623	44,197	19,579	849,264
1959-60	198,078	148,003	257,631	29,997	44,923	22,253	707,482
1960-61 (b)	157,562	117,834	237,123	25,554	40,090	17,855	602,835
Six months ended -							
December - 1960 (b)	69,057	52,488	106,984	13,009	21,164	8,127	274,362
1961 (b)	96,693	75,056	129,735	13,307	23,534	7,884	349,288
VEAL							
1957-58	26,036	15,986	10,414	3,942	1,175	715	58,372
1958-59	24,666	16,411	10,417	3,544	1,193	826	57,119
1959-60	18,695	11,303	9,046	3,284	1,039	892	44,298
1960-61 (b)	16,151	9,201	9,870	2,361	743	765	39,120
Six months ended -							
December - 1960 (b)	8,711	6,324	4,908	1,270	405	573	22,212
1961 (b)	9,113	7,013	5,538	1,283	407	634	23,999
MUTTON							
1957-58	76,682	107,422	21,864	35,306	21,909	5,604	269,780
1958-59	88,737	123,321	25,908	34,668	29,590	7,326	310,381
1959-60	102,396	151,133	31,210	42,114	32,627	10,105	370,427
1960-61 (b)	115,499	131,115	39,297	31,471	32,706	9,545	360,513
Six months ended -							
December - 1960 (b)	53,892	64,181	20,135	15,828	17,797	3,915	176,166
1961 (b)	55,435	76,735	19,095	17,089	14,852	4,446	187,990
LAMB							
1957-58	51,118	61,685	2,517	18,375	10,033	7,617	151,696
1958-59	67,283	70,058	3,378	20,333	11,285	9,077	181,945
1959-60	82,204	72,386	4,676	20,646	11,758	10,675	202,906
1960-61 (b)	80,448	75,923	5,213	17,885	13,610	9,981	203,636
Six months ended -							
December - 1960 (b)	39,881	47,080	2,445	11,599	9,601	4,936	115,824
1961 (b)	42,812	41,968	2,337	12,725	9,973	5,492	115,584
PIGMEAT							
1957-58	28,683	24,343	23,131	9,516	11,405	4,216	101,615
1958-59	27,253	23,770	26,210	9,451	9,991	4,911	101,886
1959-60	26,252	23,383	27,106	9,161	9,029	5,352	100,594
1960-61 (b)	28,904	25,745	27,000	9,603	10,587	5,267	107,476
Six months ended -							
December - 1960 (b)	14,626	12,769	12,856	5,037	5,545	2,416	53,414
1961 (b)	16,016	13,865	14,125	5,584	6,992	2,426	59,186
TOTAL MEAT							
1957-58	389,016	374,145	318,031	104,267	82,864	37,477	1,314,547
1958-59	458,122	405,971	383,176	106,619	96,256	41,719	1,500,595
1959-60	427,625	406,208	329,669	105,202	99,376	49,277	1,425,707
1960-61 (b)	398,564	359,818	318,503	86,874	97,736	43,413	1,313,580
Six months ended -							
December - 1960 (b)	186,167	182,842	147,328	46,743	54,512	19,967	641,978
1961 (b)	220,069	214,637	170,830	49,988	55,758	20,882	736,047

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

II. PRODUCTION OF BACON AND HAM AND CANNED MEAT

Details of monthly and annual production of bacon and ham and canned meat are shown in Tables 9-11. Production of bacon and ham at 22,100 tons increased during the six months ended December, 1961, compared with the same period in 1960, when 20,400 tons were produced. Over the same period, production of canned meat increased by 7,500 tons amounting to 30,100 tons during the six months ended December, 1961.

TABLE 9. - 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)
1957-58	36,667	83,716	1960-61 (c) : April	2,866	3,483
1958-59	38,671	73,950	May	3,281	5,949
1959-60	36,582	69,908	June	2,819	6,042
1960-61 (c)	36,895	49,716	1961-62 (c) : July	2,744	5,729
			August	3,086	5,914
1960-61 (c) : November	3,962	3,997	September	2,924	4,619
December	4,637	4,612	October	3,189	4,243
January	2,272	3,811	November	4,840	5,103
February	2,535	3,802	December	5,361	4,526
March	2,725	4,040			

(a) Cured carcass 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 10. - PRODUCTION OF BACON AND HAM AND CANNED MEAT : STATES (Tons) (a)

State	Month of -		Six Months Ended -		Month of -		Six Months Ended -	
	Dec., 1960	Dec., 1961	Dec., 1960	Dec., 1961	Dec., 1960	Dec., 1961	Dec., 1960	Dec., 1961
	BACON AND HAM Produced (b) (Tons, Cured Carcass Weight)				CANNED MEAT Produced (c) (Tons, Canned Weight)			
New South Wales	1,580	1,404	6,363	6,101	633	631	3,012	4,288
Victoria	1,045	977	4,962	4,855	3,270	2,565	12,426	14,088
Queensland	1,120	2,161	5,137	7,266	611	1,213	6,489	11,034
South Australia	393	377	1,731	1,746	98	117	662	724
Western Australia	381	326	1,711	1,797				
Tasmania	118	116	493	379				
AUSTRALIA:	4,637	5,361	20,397	22,144	4,612	4,526	22,589	30,134

(a) Subject to revision. (b) Smoked, cooked and canned. (c) Includes canned bacon and ham; excludes canned baby foods.

TABLE 11. - ANNUAL PRODUCTION OF BACON AND HAM AND CANNED MEAT : STATES

(Tons)

Year	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Australia
BACON AND HAM (a)							
1957-58	11,468	8,345	9,682	3,340	2,952	880	36,667
1958-59	11,606	8,832	11,299	3,069	2,955	910	38,671
1959-60	11,012	8,558	9,948	3,115	3,061	888	36,582
1960-61 (b)	11,241	9,177	9,406	3,105	3,067	899	36,895
CANNED MEAT (c)							
1957-58	9,561	45,410	26,681	(d)	(d)	-	83,716
1958-59	8,650	37,248	26,655	(d)	(d)	-	73,950
1959-60	7,106	41,135	19,710	(d)	(d)	-	69,908
1960-61 (b)	7,343	25,978	15,162	(d)	(d)	-	49,716

(a) Cured carcass weight of smoked, cooked and canned bacon and ham.

(b) Subject to revision.

(c) Canned weight. Includes canned bacon and ham; excludes canned baby foods.

(d) Not available for publication.

III. STOCKS OF FROZEN MEAT

The following table is compiled from information supplied by the Australian Meat Board. It compares stocks of frozen meat held at the end of December, 1960, with stocks held at the end of December, 1961.

TABLE 12. - STOCKS OF FROZEN MEAT (Tons)
(As recorded by Australian Meat Board)

State	Beef and Veal	Mutton	Lamb	Pork	Offal	Total
STOCKS HELD ON 31ST DECEMBER, 1960						
New South Wales	1,841	691	425	297	620	3,874
Victoria	3,289	4,167	5,160	496	1,044	14,156
Queensland	8,673	694	15	72	735	10,189
South Australia	220	123	447	85	81	956
Western Australia	1,114	857	825	161	80	3,037
Tasmania	113	49	526	62	46	796
AUSTRALIA:	15,250	6,581	7,398	1,173	2,606	33,008
STOCKS HELD ON 30TH DECEMBER, 1961						
New South Wales	3,665	1,046	148	391	909	6,159
Victoria	5,946	6,390	1,803	659	1,260	16,058
Queensland	11,555	610	17	234	965	13,381
South Australia	291	605	160	77	109	1,242
Western Australia	2,202	1,019	326	605	122	4,274
Tasmania	201	157	335	215	59	967
AUSTRALIA:	23,860	9,827	2,789	2,181	3,424	42,081

IV. OVERSEA EXPORTS OF MEAT

Exports of fresh and frozen beef and veal showed a marked decline (by 52,900 tons or 28.3 per cent.) in 1960-61, compared with 1959-60. The exports of canned meat also fell substantially, amounting to 17,000 tons (or 35.9 per cent.) less than in 1959-60. Other commodities (mutton, lamb, pork, bacon and ham) showed increased exports between 1959-60 and 1960-61.

During the six months ended December, 1961, exports of all fresh and frozen meats, with the exception of lamb increased significantly compared with the same period in 1960. Exports of lamb decreased by 7,600 tons or 36.8 per cent. The quantity of canned meat exported increased (by 4,700 tons or 32.4 per cent.), but a fall of 9 tons, or 8.5 per cent. was recorded for bacon and ham.

TABLE 13. - OVERSEA EXPORTS OF FRESH AND 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	2,012	37,086	28,778	440	168	30,356
Six months ended -							
December, 1960 (c)	70,212	1,185	13,817	20,615	194	106	14,521
December, 1961 (c)	97,311	1,787	20,651	13,030	486	97	19,220
1960-61 (c) :							
November	6,103	153	2,271	4,521	11	33	1,951
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	1,552	31	11	4,287
March	11,621	141	4,089	1,071	41	10	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	2,944
August	18,533	343	2,267	228	33	5	3,398
September	15,500	414	2,763	865	98	17	3,090
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

(a) Cured carcass weight.

(b) Canned weight.

(c) Subject to revision.

V. UTILIZATION OF MEAT

Estimated total consumption of fresh and frozen meat during 1960-61 was 36,600 tons lower than during the previous year, while consumption per head of population decreased from 210.4 lb. per head in 1959-60 to 198.1 lb. per head in 1960-61. During the six months ended December, 1961, total consumption of meat was greater than during the corresponding period of the previous year and when calculated on a per head of population basis an increase of 4.8 lb. per head was recorded. Since 1956-57 consumption of beef and veal has fallen steadily while mutton and lamb have both risen.

Particulars relating to meat consumption in Australia additional to those shown below, will be found in the Statistical Bulletin, "Report on Food Production and the Apparent Consumption of Foodstuffs and Nutrients in Australia" published by this Bureau.

TABLE 14. - PRODUCTION AND UTILIZATION OF CARCASS MEAT (a) : AUSTRALIA

(Carcass weight)

Period	Pro- duction	Net Change in Stocks	Exports as fresh and frozen Meat (b)	Used for -		Apparent con- sumption as fresh and frozen meat	
				Canning	Curing	Total	Per Head
	'000 Tons	'000 Tons	'000 Tons	'000 Tons	'000 Tons	'000 Tons	lb.
1957-58	1,314.5	(+) 5.5	207.9	115.6	49.9	935.6	215.1
1958-59	1,500.6	(+) 4.2	386.1	101.3	52.6	956.4	215.2
1959-60	1,425.7	(-) 10.3	340.1	90.7	49.8	955.4	210.4
1960-61 (c)	1,313.6	(+) 5.6	279.0	59.9	50.3	918.8	198.1
6 months ended December -							
1960 (c)	642.0	(+) 0.5	137.5	25.5	27.7	450.8	97.7
1961 (c)	736.0	(+) 3.1	185.1	34.9	30.1	482.8	102.5

(a) Excludes Offal. (b) Exports (including ships' stores) have been converted from actual export weight to carcass equivalent weight. (c) Subject to revision.

TABLE 15. - APPARENT CONSUMPTION OF MEAT PER HEAD : AUSTRALIA

(lb.)

Commodity	Apparent consumption per annum				Apparent consumption for 6 months ended December -	
	1957-58	1958-59	1959-60	1960-61 (a)	1960(a)	1961(a)
Beef and Veal (b)	125.1	117.5	97.4	87.3	40.6	44.2
Mutton (b)	50.7	55.1	63.7	61.7	32.5	30.7
Lamb (b)	28.4	31.9	38.9	37.5	19.2	21.6
Pork (b)	10.9	10.7	10.4	11.6	5.4	6.0
Total (b)	215.1	215.2	210.4	198.1	97.7	102.5
Offal	11.8	12.1	11.6	10.9	(c)	(c)
Canned Meat (d)	4.5	4.7	4.1	4.2	(c)	(c)
Bacon and Ham (e)	7.0	7.1	7.0	6.7	(c)	(c)
Total in terms of Carcass Equivalent Weight	244.6	244.9	237.5	224.1	(c)	(c)

(a) Subject to revision. (b) Carcass weight. (c) Not available. (d) Canned weight. (e) Cured carcass weight.

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