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## EXPLANATORY NOTES

This publication contains detailed statistics relating to the agricultural utilisation of rural holdings, and the utilisation, by the operators of those holdings, of machinery, labour, irrigation, artificial fertilisers and aerial agricultural services. Details are also given of on-farm consumption and stocks of major grains, and on-farm production and stocks of silage. Some of the Statistics listed above were previously published in the bulletin *Rural Land Use and Crop Production* (Reference No. 10.30), now discontinued.

This issue contains tables for the 1971-72 season, together with comparative statistical series for previous years.

Detailed statistics relating to crops, including pastures, are now published in the bulletin, *Crop Statistics* (Reference Number 10.58). In addition to crop and pasture statistics, that bulletin also contains tables relating to the gross and local value of crop production, and overseas trade in crop commodities and crop products.

The statistics are derived principally from annual agricultural census returns supplied by approximately 248,000 farmers who utilise one acre or more for agricultural purposes. Holdings of less than one acre on which commercial market gardens, nurseries, poultry farms or hatcheries are operated are also generally included. In addition to Agricultural Census statistics, this bulletin contains series relating to the agricultural labour force, (as recorded in the regular Labour Force Surveys), the number of persons engaged in agriculture, (as recorded in the Population Censuses), tractor sales and aerial agriculture.

A series of publications relating to agricultural topics are issued by the Bureau. The major publications of the series, together with details of their frequency of issue, are listed below. In addition, two important preliminary publications are issued within three months of the agricultural census conducted at the end of March each year, namely: *Livestock Statistics: Australia* (Reference Number 10.15) and: *Principal Agricultural Statistics: Australia* (Reference Number 10.63).

	Reference Number	Title
		Crops
Annually :	10.11	The Fruit Growing Industry
	10.35	The Wheat Industry
	10.58	Crop Statistics
	10.60	Grape Production and Utilisation
		Livestock
	10.14	Livestock Statistics
		Livestock products
	10.5	The Dairying Industry
	10.38	Wool Production and Utilisation
	10.54	The Meat Industry
		Other
	10.27	Value of Primary Production (excluding Mining)
Monthly :	10.6	Whole Milk Production and Utilisation
	10.16	The Meat Industry
	10.44	Chicken Hatchings and Poultry Slaughtering
	10.70	Brokers and Dealers Receipts of Taxable Wool
Irregularly :	10.28	*Classification of Rural Holdings by Size and Type of Activity

\* This publication, last issued for 1968-69, is produced in seven parts relating to Australia and the States. Future issues are expected to be issued on a triennial basis.

## Symbols and abbreviation used in this bulletin

The following abbreviations have been used throughout this bulletin.

n.a.	—	not available
..	—	nil or less than half the final digit shown

Any discrepancies between totals and sums of components in tables are due to rounding.

## I. NUMBER, AREA AND UTILISATION OF RURAL HOLDINGS

A rural holding is defined for the purpose of these statistics as a holding of one acre or more in extent used for the production of agricultural products (including fruit and vegetables), or for the raising of livestock (including poultry) and the production of livestock products. Holdings of less than one acre on which commercial market gardens, nurseries, poultry farms or hatcheries are operated are also generally included.

TABLE 1. — NUMBER AND AREA OF RURAL HOLDINGS  
1967-68 TO 1971-72

State	1967-68	1968-69	1969-70	1970-71	1971-72
NUMBER					
New South Wales	76,225	76,103	75,908	75,365	74,960
Victoria	72,802	71,056	69,498	68,555	67,714
Queensland	43,694	44,074	43,829	43,399	43,389
South Australia	29,058	29,137	29,035	29,087	29,095
Western Australia	23,116	23,004	22,937	22,592	21,997
Tasmania	10,631	10,384	10,159	9,926	9,877
Northern Territory	305	317	322	384	419
Australian Capital Territory	196	195	193	187	187
<b>Australia</b>	<b>256,027</b>	<b>254,270</b>	<b>251,881</b>	<b>249,495</b>	<b>247,568</b>
AREA ('000 acres)					
New South Wales	171,767	171,020	170,630	171,068	170,504
Victoria	39,564	39,182	39,057	38,945	39,249
Queensland	380,993	378,956	380,218	382,253	381,540
South Australia	160,765	162,109	162,692	162,584	160,980
Western Australia	275,334	276,174	280,819	283,107	282,864
Tasmania	6,579	6,591	6,517	6,501	6,442
Northern Territory	174,385	177,942	182,116	184,943	192,468
Australian Capital Territory	350	346	339	337	329
<b>Australia</b>	<b>1,209,737</b>	<b>1,212,320</b>	<b>1,222,387</b>	<b>1,229,739</b>	<b>1,234,377</b>

TABLE 2. — LAND UTILISATION OF RURAL HOLDINGS: AUSTRALIA, 1967-68 TO 1971-72  
('000 acres)

Particulars	1967-68	1968-69	1969-70	1970-71	1971-72
Area used for crops (a)	35,884	41,012	38,641	33,101	35,189
Land lying fallow (b)	9,340	9,525	7,127	8,995	6,936
Area under sown grasses and clovers	57,235	59,747	64,784	69,267	68,461
Balance of holdings (c)	1,107,277	1,102,036	1,111,835	1,118,377	1,123,790
<b>Total area of holdings</b>	<b>1,209,737</b>	<b>1,212,320</b>	<b>1,222,387</b>	<b>1,229,739</b>	<b>1,234,377</b>

(a) Excludes duplication on account of area double cropped. Excludes lucerne, grasses and clovers harvested for hay and seed which have been included in "Area under sown grasses and clovers". (b) Excludes short or summer fallow. (c) Used for intermittent grazing, lying idle, not suitable for agriculture, etc.

TABLE 3. - LAND UTILISATION OF RURAL HOLDINGS  
1967-68 TO 1971-72  
(\*000 acres)

State	1967-68	1968-69	1969-70	1970-71	1971-72
AREA USED FOR CROPS (a)					
New South Wales	11,343	13,614	12,352	9,797	10,342
Victoria	5,426	6,215	5,436	4,280	4,780
Queensland	4,555	4,999	5,273	4,426	4,983
South Australia	5,414	6,415	5,659	4,936	5,629
Western Australia	8,877	9,484	9,667	9,455	9,269
Tasmania	251	260	233	199	165
Northern Territory	14	16	16	6	18
Australian Capital Territory	5	8	5	3	3
<i>Australia</i>	<i>35,884</i>	<i>41,012</i>	<i>38,641</i>	<i>33,101</i>	<i>35,189</i>
LAND LYING FALLOW (b)					
New South Wales	2,865	2,686	1,589	2,422	2,372
Victoria	2,647	2,727	1,745	2,300	2,235
Queensland	843	918	1,474	1,753	1,434
South Australia	1,063	1,302	901	1,000	994
Western Australia	1,846	1,828	1,353	1,463	871
Tasmania	77	61	64	57	27
Northern Territory	--	--	--	--	2
Australian Capital Territory	1	2	1	--	--
<i>Australia</i>	<i>9,340</i>	<i>9,525</i>	<i>7,127</i>	<i>8,995</i>	<i>6,936</i>
AREA UNDER SOWN GRASSES AND CLOVERS					
New South Wales	11,976	11,913	13,028	14,203	14,567
Victoria	16,939	18,203	20,102	21,365	20,869
Queensland	4,876	5,199	5,670	6,519	5,748
South Australia	6,904	6,928	7,263	7,545	7,893
Western Australia	14,535	15,370	16,481	17,268	16,863
Tasmania	1,847	1,941	2,004	2,071	2,106
Northern Territory	73	103	140	197	315
Australian Capital Territory	84	90	96	99	101
<i>Australia</i>	<i>57,235</i>	<i>59,747</i>	<i>64,784</i>	<i>69,267</i>	<i>68,461</i>
BALANCE OF HOLDINGS (c)					
New South Wales	145,583	142,807	143,660	144,647	143,222
Victoria	14,551	12,036	11,774	10,999	11,365
Queensland	370,720	367,840	367,801	369,555	370,375
South Australia	147,384	147,463	148,869	149,104	146,465
Western Australia	250,076	249,492	253,317	254,921	255,861
Tasmania	4,404	4,329	4,216	4,175	4,144
Northern Territory	174,298	177,822	181,960	184,740	192,134
Australian Capital Territory	259	246	237	235	225
<i>Australia</i>	<i>1,107,277</i>	<i>1,102,036</i>	<i>1,111,835</i>	<i>1,118,377</i>	<i>1,123,790</i>
TOTAL AREA OF HOLDINGS					
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**II. CLASSIFICATION OF RURAL HOLDINGS BY AREA,  
LEGAL STATUS OF OPERATION AND TENURE OF LAND**

The 1970-71 Agricultural Census of Australia contained supplementary questions relating to the legal status under which rural holdings were operated, and the tenure of land comprising these rural holdings. These questions were inserted at the request of the Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations for inclusion in the 1970 World Census of Agriculture. Data from these questions are shown in the tables following:

**TABLE 4. - RURAL HOLDINGS CLASSIFIED BY AREA  
AND LEGAL STATUS OF OPERATOR : AUSTRALIA, 1970-71**

<i>Area of holding (acres)</i>	<i>Sole owner/ operator</i>	<i>Partnership (a)</i>	<i>Company (b)</i>	<i>Government (c)</i>	<i>Other, e.g. co-operative</i>	<i>Total</i>
1 - 2	1,378	486	21	2	2	1,889
3 - 4	2,122	783	44	3	8	2,960
5 - 7	4,922	2,011	80	1	17	7,031
8 - 9	1,782	680	34	4	5	2,505
10 - 11	3,037	1,360	41	6	12	4,456
12 - 24	8,959	4,314	195	27	57	13,552
25 - 49	9,805	5,572	248	33	59	15,717
50 - 87	9,850	5,621	310	29	77	15,887
88 - 124	8,317	5,226	213	16	75	13,847
125 - 187	10,870	7,455	315	20	114	18,774
188 - 249	7,558	5,614	250	19	61	13,502
250 - 324	7,557	5,768	281	11	107	13,724
325 - 399	4,837	3,745	195	10	51	8,838
400 - 499	5,514	4,562	299	16	72	10,463
500 - 649	7,294	6,453	377	23	84	14,231
650 - 899	7,115	7,255	445	17	100	14,932
900 - 1249	7,079	8,501	632	16	9	16,317
1250 - 1749	5,611	7,988	652	18	96	14,365
1750 - 2499	4,319	7,517	723	19	77	12,655
2500 - 3999	3,976	7,808	886	20	85	12,775
4000 - 5999	2,099	4,416	593	15	41	7,164
6000 - 19999	2,221	4,599	900	27	110	7,857
20000 and over	1,573	3,256	1,070	27	128	6,054
<b>All holdings</b>	<b>127,795</b>	<b>110,990</b>	<b>8,804</b>	<b>379</b>	<b>1,527</b>	<b>249,495</b>
New South Wales	41,021	29,865	4,063	67	349	75,365
Victoria	39,675	27,347	1,132	46	355	68,555
Queensland	21,629	19,899	1,214	70	587	43,399
South Australia	10,997	16,616	1,246	92	136	29,087
Western Australia	7,610	14,061	815	50	56	22,592
Tasmania	6,619	2,996	225	47	39	9,926
Northern Territory	147	138	92	6	1	384
Australian Capital Territory	97	68	17	1	4	187

(a) Registered or unregistered. (b) Incorporated public or private company. (c) Includes research stations, agricultural colleges, prison farms, etc.

TABLE 5. - RURAL HOLDINGS CLASSIFIED BY AREA  
AND TENURE OF LAND : AUSTRALIA, 1970-71

<i>Area of holding (acres)</i>	<i>Owned or in ownertike possession (a)</i>	<i>Rented from others (b)</i>	<i>Under other forms of tenure (c)</i>	<i>Total holdings reporting (d)</i>
1 - 2	1,772	99	22	1,889
3 - 4	2,831	129	25	2,960
5 - 7	6,762	303	45	7,031
8 - 9	2,382	156	25	2,505
10 - 11	4,249	224	54	4,456
12 - 24	12,934	921	176	13,552
25 - 49	15,065	1,227	241	15,717
50 - 87	15,087	1,395	363	15,887
88 - 124	13,055	1,364	315	13,847
125 - 187	17,665	2,020	490	18,774
188 - 249	12,698	1,581	334	13,502
250 - 324	13,054	1,537	334	13,724
325 - 399	8,429	1,041	235	8,839
400 - 499	9,925	1,326	279	10,463
500 - 649	13,570	1,629	302	14,231
650 - 899	14,326	1,902	289	14,932
900 - 1249	15,726	2,041	282	16,316
1250 - 1749	13,827	1,896	260	14,364
1750 - 2499	12,183	1,683	225	12,655
2500 - 3999	12,321	1,625	232	12,775
4000 - 5999	6,865	903	175	7,164
6000 - 19999	7,441	1,025	325	7,857
20000 and over	5,570	362	436	6,055
<b>All holdings</b>	<b>237,737</b>	<b>26,389</b>	<b>5,464</b>	<b>249,495</b>
New South Wales	72,521	8,733	204	75,365
Victoria	66,704	9,378	535	68,555
Queensland	38,615	2,594	4,126	43,399
South Australia	27,740	3,202	310	29,087
Western Australia	21,988	1,637	140	22,592
Tasmania	9,646	760	140	9,926
Northern Territory	369	16	7	384
Australian Capital Territory	154	69	2	187

(a) Includes land in the process of purchase and crown leases providing tenure for ten years or more. (b) Includes crown leases providing tenure for less than ten years. (c) Includes not stated. (d) As a rural holding may be composed of portions of land under differing forms of tenure, some may appear more than once in the land tenure columns. Consequently, the sum of the tenure columns may not agree with *Total holdings reporting*.

## III. NUMBER OF RURAL HOLDINGS GROWING PRINCIPAL CROPS

TABLE 6. - NUMBER OF RURAL HOLDINGS GROWING PRINCIPAL CROPS: STATES, 1971-72

<i>Crop</i>	<i>N.S.W.</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>S.A.</i>	<i>W.A.</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>N.T.</i>	<i>A.C.T.</i>	<i>Aust.</i>
Cereals for grain (a) -									
Wheat	18,723	10,273	4,503	8,997	8,559	160	..	8	51,223
Barley	7,633	5,661	3,987	8,750	7,720	475	..	..	34,226
Oats	7,496	7,898	738	4,919	6,866	238	..	9	28,164
Grain sorghum	3,261	4	5,800	..	4	..	10	..	9,079
Maize	816	10	1,471	..	1	..	..	..	2,298
Rice	1,448	..	92	..	..	..	1	..	1,541
Sugar cane (b)	558	..	6,955	..	..	..	..	..	7,513
Tobacco (c)	108	357	750	..	..	..	..	..	1,215
Peanuts (b)	26	..	882	..	2	..	6	..	916
Cotton (b)	92	..	79	..	20	..	..	..	191
Grapevines (d)	1,477	(c)2,463	423	3,258	538	..	..	..	8,159
Vegetables (d) -									
Potatoes	1,370	(c)1,931	988	503	561	840	..	3	6,196
Onions	169	(c)357	397	350	141	61	..	2	1,477
Hops (c)	..	41	..	..	..	74	..	..	115

(a) Twenty acres and over. (b) Five acres and over. (c) All holdings. (d) One acre and over.

TABLE 7. - NUMBER OF RURAL HOLDINGS GROWING PRINCIPAL CROPS : AUSTRALIA, 1967-68 TO 1971-72

<i>Crop</i>	<i>1967-68</i>	<i>1968-69</i>	<i>1969-70</i>	<i>1970-71</i>	<i>1971-72</i>
Cereals for grain (a) -					
Wheat	55,372	58,203	55,878	48,659	51,223
Barley	20,508	n.a.	26,950	29,568	34,226
Oats	30,013	35,305	31,230	32,696	28,164
Grain sorghum (b) (c)	4,332	4,921	5,146	7,117	9,079
Maize (b) (c)	2,678	2,378	2,449	2,366	2,298
Rice	1,210	1,464	1,804	1,880	1,541
Sugar cane (d)	8,194	8,054	7,770	7,711	7,513
Tobacco (e)	1,159	1,209	1,181	1,193	1,215
Peanuts (d)	845	818	904	902	916
Cotton (d)	285	242	210	206	191
Grapevines (f)	8,002	7,922	8,070	8,174	8,159
Vegetables (f) -					
Potatoes	8,615	8,382	7,283	6,811	6,196
Onions	1,619	1,753	1,659	1,481	1,477
Hops (e)	151	148	142	123	115

(a) Twenty acres and over. (b) Figures for 1967-68 are not comparable with those for later years. (c) Prior to 1971-72, includes all holdings in Victoria. (d) Five acres and over. (e) All holdings. (f) One acre and over in all States except Victoria where all holdings are included.

#### IV. CLASSIFICATION OF RURAL HOLDINGS BY AREA AND TYPE OF ACTIVITY

Summary tables for Australia showing rural holdings classified by area of holding type of activity for 1965-66 and 1968-69 follow. These, and more detailed tables showing size of principal characteristics and type of activity, were published in the series of bulletins: *Classification of Rural Holdings by Size and Type of Activity* (Reference Number 10.28). These publications, last issued for 1968-69, are produced in seven parts relating to Australia and the States. Future issues are expected to be issued at triennial intervals.

##### Classification of Rural Holdings by Type of Activity

Rural holdings have been classified to type in accordance with the *predominant activity* on each holding. Since many holdings have more than one type of activity an objective measurement to assess the predominant activity was used.

The most appropriate measure of the importance of each type of activity on a rural holding was considered to be gross receipts at the holding, that is, gross receipts less marketing costs. Gross receipts were estimated by applying estimated values per acre and per livestock unit to area of crops and numbers of livestock reported on the 1968-69 census returns. To remove the effects of seasonal irregularities in 1968-69 these estimated values were based on averages of both yields and prices for each State as a whole for the five years ended 1968-69, although in some States important regional variations were taken into account.

Holdings with estimated gross receipts for all products amounting to \$2,000 or more were treated as *commercial holdings* and were classified to one of the following types of activity:

Sheep and cereal grain	Poultry
Sheep	Pigs
Cereal grain	Sugar
Meat cattle	Tobacco
Milk cattle	Other (one main purpose)
Vineyards	Multi-purpose
Fruit (other than vine)	
Vegetables - Potatoes	
- Other	

Holdings were classified as *sub-commercial* if gross receipts were greater than zero but less than \$2,000, and *unused* if no gross receipts could be estimated in respect of their activities.

Commercial holdings were classified to type of activity in accordance with the following criteria:

- (a) Holdings running sheep and growing cereals for grain were classified as *sheep and cereal grain* if the combined receipts from these activities accounted for at least 75 per cent of the total receipts of the holding and if neither activity contributed more than four times the other.
- (b) Holdings running cattle for milk production and pigs were classified as *milk cattle* if the combined receipts from these activities amounted to 50 per cent or more of the total receipts of the holding.
- (c) Other commercial holdings were classified to the activity which accounted for 50 per cent or more of the total receipts of the holding. However,
  - (i) holdings were classified to *vegetables - other* where 50 per cent or more of the total receipts were derived from the production of vegetables of any kind (including potatoes) but where potatoes alone did not account for more than half the total receipts.
  - (ii) holdings were classified to *other (one main purpose)* where a single product, other than those shown in the above type classification, contributed 50 per cent or more to the total gross receipts, e.g. cotton, oilseeds.
- (d) If none of the criteria (a), (b), or (c) was satisfied the holding was classified as *multi-purpose*.

As mentioned above, those holdings for which no gross receipts could be estimated were treated as unused holdings. Examples of unused holdings include holdings used for intermittent grazing or for the growing of fruit trees which were not bearing.

Crops used for fodder are generally regarded as an ancillary to livestock production and were excluded from the estimation of gross receipts. Thus, some holdings which reported fodder crops and no other activity at the 1968-69 census were classified to unused.

TABLE 8. - RURAL HOLDINGS CLASSIFIED BY AREA OF HOLDING AND TYPE OF ACTIVITY  
AUSTRALIA, 1965-66

Area of holding (acres)	Type of activity																	Total number of holdings	Total area of all holdings ('000 acres)	
	Sheep and cereal grain		Cereal grain	Meat cattle	Milk cattle	Vine yards	Fruit (other than vine)	Vegetables					Other (one main purpose)	Multi-purpose	Holdings classified by type	Sub-commercial	Unused			
	Sheep							Potatoes	Other	Poultry	Pigs	Sugar								Tobacco
1 - 9	..	1	..	3	78	145	645	38	1,410	1,627	166	2	10	437	17	4,580	6,133	3,261	13,974	72
10 - 19	..	3	..	6	300	1,050	1,844	104	1,005	895	211	30	24	185	56	5,713	4,536	2,089	12,338	168
20 - 29	1	7	2	13	506	1,301	1,631	109	691	394	168	59	46	70	68	5,066	2,881	1,271	9,218	216
30 - 49	2	31	10	68	1,389	1,277	2,279	204	702	392	153	344	89	96	127	7,163	3,459	1,196	11,818	453
50 - 69	5	84	30	143	1,979	375	1,417	213	433	211	95	657	79	54	173	5,948	2,236	733	8,917	518
70 - 99	23	215	63	290	4,024	198	1,070	272	401	141	108	1,256	131	95	265	8,552	2,390	726	11,668	977
100 - 149	92	646	184	645	8,182	133	1,052	408	382	132	142	1,731	213	118	467	14,527	2,813	859	18,199	2,202
150 - 199	124	861	280	668	7,124	50	605	247	306	83	87	1,096	142	143	506	12,322	1,834	522	14,678	2,504
200 - 299	341	1,954	546	1,187	9,081	67	613	320	313	85	104	979	97	145	897	16,729	2,176	680	19,585	4,759
300 - 399	704	2,464	733	1,059	5,874	35	287	171	184	65	86	498	62	137	912	13,271	1,340	510	15,121	5,152
400 - 499	971	2,312	662	834	3,168	21	163	75	108	47	47	265	14	71	734	9,492	793	289	10,574	4,709
500 - 599	1,383	2,441	752	687	2,032	21	98	57	63	29	34	164	15	48	592	8,416	580	205	9,201	5,011
600 - 699	1,730	2,475	1,039	648	1,507	7	61	49	66	12	23	120	6	69	569	8,381	483	194	9,058	5,822
700 - 799	1,373	1,836	556	479	898	5	40	18	38	12	22	82	9	35	416	5,819	287	111	6,217	4,633
800 - 899	1,528	1,708	515	421	676	3	30	14	26	12	12	53	4	29	334	5,365	214	103	5,682	4,798
900 - 999	1,548	1,645	563	421	480	6	25	9	17	10	20	41	4	19	314	5,122	189	101	5,412	5,130
1000 - 1399	5,143	5,245	1,708	1,373	1,096	12	49	30	49	29	36	90	12	62	865	15,799	587	296	16,682	19,665
1400 - 1999	5,001	4,383	1,334	1,129	541	5	28	17	31	9	20	34	7	36	611	13,186	323	244	13,753	22,946
2000 - 2999	4,945	3,945	1,303	1,228	256	3	21	7	13	5	18	26	7	52	502	12,331	244	327	12,902	31,296
3000 - 3999	2,497	2,110	795	734	73	..	8	3	4	3	10	13	6	22	192	6,470	112	218	6,800	23,333
4000 - 4999	1,548	1,333	519	482	28	1	7	2	5	..	5	4	6	9	108	4,057	60	137	4,254	18,864
5000 - 6999	1,384	1,455	407	624	19	..	3	..	1	1	1	4	2	11	135	4,047	62	60	4,169	24,153
7000 - 9999	816	1,093	175	572	9	..	1	..	..	..	4	2	3	5	64	2,744	32	36	2,812	23,340
10000 and over	673	5,424	98	2,624	14	..	..	..	1	..	4	4	4	6	71	8,923	114	93	9,130	990,809
<b>Total (a)</b>	<b>31,832</b>	<b>43,671</b>	<b>12,274</b>	<b>16,339</b>	<b>49,334</b>	<b>4,715</b>	<b>11,977</b>	<b>2,367</b>	<b>6,249</b>	<b>4,194</b>	<b>1,576</b>	<b>7,554</b>	<b>992</b>	<b>1,954</b>	<b>8,995</b>	<b>204,023</b>	<b>33,878</b>	<b>14,261</b>	<b>252,162</b>	<b>1,201,530</b>
N.S.W.	11,434	17,654	2,005	5,136	11,665	655	4,254	330	1,345	1,832	595	520	56	482	2,275	60,238	10,862	5,052	76,152	171,200
Vic.	6,160	13,093	3,453	3,111	20,087	2,165	2,131	923	1,528	1,008	273	..	284	353	2,193	56,762	7,848	4,589	69,199	37,844
Qld.	558	3,724	2,898	6,084	9,993	70	1,874	375	1,349	480	300	7,034	652	781	1,744	37,916	5,451	547	43,914	380,325
S.A.	6,735	4,229	1,976	315	3,126	1,596	1,593	196	1,025	358	200	..	..	28	1,319	22,696	3,531	2,532	28,759	159,394
W.A.	6,845	3,314	1,940	1,224	1,420	229	885	307	721	407	160	..	..	172	539	18,163	3,366	1,324	22,853	270,054
Tas.	93	1,547	2	276	3,026	..	1,234	236	264	93	41	..	..	128	924	7,864	2,715	198	10,777	6,496

(a) Includes the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory.

TABLE 9. - RURAL HOLDINGS CLASSIFIED BY AREA OF HOLDING AND TYPE OF ACTIVITY  
AUSTRALIA, 1968-69

Area of holding (acres)	Type of activity														Holdings classified by type	Sub-commercial	Total number of holdings	Total area of all holdings ('000 acres)		
	Sheep and cereal grain		Cereal grain	Meat cattle	Milk cattle	Vineyards	Fruit (other than vine)	Vegetables		Poultry	Pigs	Sugar	Tobacco	Other (one main purpose)					Multi-purpose	
	Sheep	Sheep						Potatoes	Other											
1 - 9	..	3	..	2	44	122	586	33	1,454	1,367	182	3	13	456	20	4,285	7,235	4,121	15,641	79
10 - 19	..	..	..	7	185	821	1,621	100	967	768	225	21	33	200	64	5,012	5,406	2,414	12,832	173
20 - 29	..	6	..	6	353	1,198	1,552	100	636	330	194	53	43	107	80	4,658	3,485	1,288	9,431	221
30 - 49	..	26	3	72	998	1,244	2,166	184	690	318	204	296	87	105	133	6,526	4,209	1,372	12,107	464
50 - 69	4	62	15	118	1,489	405	1,269	211	374	178	172	623	84	61	162	5,227	2,822	760	8,809	512
70 - 99	34	155	49	326	3,274	184	994	314	336	118	168	1,357	137	112	268	7,826	3,094	793	11,713	982
100 - 149	80	462	174	835	6,798	139	995	412	358	124	185	1,799	229	112	445	13,147	3,555	935	17,637	2,138
150 - 199	129	681	308	932	6,324	56	596	318	243	73	144	1,158	167	135	458	11,722	2,267	614	14,603	2,493
200 - 299	403	1,579	554	1,613	8,046	65	600	353	258	75	174	999	103	174	894	15,890	2,560	712	19,162	4,657
300 - 399	740	2,101	838	1,507	5,143	34	308	191	184	53	116	539	58	157	904	12,873	1,550	478	14,901	5,078
400 - 499	911	1,966	806	1,134	2,865	19	162	126	98	42	73	287	19	97	761	9,366	918	320	10,604	4,721
500 - 599	1,260	2,091	907	935	1,869	19	88	71	68	21	59	169	13	61	657	8,288	625	191	9,104	4,958
600 - 699	1,653	2,075	1,140	826	1,298	4	51	67	58	10	55	143	15	73	613	8,081	500	204	8,735	5,648
700 - 799	1,308	1,597	663	646	786	7	36	28	37	11	30	77	6	30	443	5,705	292	114	6,111	4,556
800 - 899	1,479	1,486	636	594	568	5	25	15	25	12	26	55	6	25	386	5,343	233	107	5,683	4,801
900 - 999	1,495	1,431	688	506	416	4	27	12	25	9	23	31	8	18	349	5,042	191	108	5,341	5,062
1000 - 1399	5,188	4,386	2,145	1,705	920	10	50	50	44	26	60	103	18	69	997	15,771	592	288	16,651	19,647
1400 - 1999	5,149	3,851	1,773	1,291	415	3	23	21	23	15	21	38	11	51	705	13,390	318	200	13,908	23,239
2000 - 2999	5,173	3,452	1,707	1,384	201	3	16	15	17	5	26	28	9	61	537	12,634	226	247	13,107	31,816
3000 - 3999	2,738	1,827	1,192	761	52	..	5	5	4	2	10	18	4	29	248	6,895	115	232	7,242	24,870
4000 - 4999	1,707	1,056	825	490	16	..	4	2	..	..	6	6	9	15	121	4,257	68	147	4,472	19,849
5000 - 6999	1,645	1,077	600	674	20	..	5	1	4	1	2	8	1	9	133	4,184	63	52	4,299	24,920
7000 - 9999	963	786	336	611	6	..	..	1	1	..	3	1	4	4	76	2,792	29	28	2,849	23,636
10000 and over	986	4,952	234	2,796	15	..	1	..	3	..	8	2	3	11	91	9,102	101	75	9,278	997,800
<b>Total (a)</b>	<b>33,049</b>	<b>37,108</b>	<b>15,593</b>	<b>19,771</b>	<b>42,101</b>	<b>4,342</b>	<b>11,180</b>	<b>2,630</b>	<b>5,907</b>	<b>3,558</b>	<b>2,166</b>	<b>7,814</b>	<b>1,080</b>	<b>2,172</b>	<b>9,545</b>	<b>198,016</b>	<b>40,454</b>	<b>15,800</b>	<b>254,270</b>	<b>1,212,320</b>
N.S.W.	13,561	13,252	3,859	5,690	9,386	654	3,816	439	1,368	1,387	682	564	65	583	2,764	58,070	12,404	5,629	76,103	171,020
Vic.	5,908	11,935	3,409	4,166	18,182	1,972	2,031	982	1,204	1,042	329	..	310	383	2,419	54,272	11,364	5,420	71,056	39,182
Qld	756	3,037	3,567	7,203	7,834	66	1,937	433	1,232	434	645	7,250	705	800	1,850	37,749	5,935	390	44,074	378,956
S.A.	6,303	3,442	2,720	562	2,715	1,499	1,621	234	1,194	279	263	..	..	104	1,326	22,262	4,134	2,741	29,137	162,109
W.A.	6,355	3,922	2,030	1,480	1,292	151	865	310	699	328	201	..	..	173	523	18,329	3,295	1,380	23,004	276,174
Tas.	151	1,423	6	468	2,678	..	906	232	196	73	39	..	..	123	652	6,947	3,235	202	10,384	6,591

(a) Includes the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory.

## V. EMPLOYMENT ON RURAL HOLDINGS AND IN THE AGRICULTURAL SECTOR

## Employment on rural holdings

The following tables contain details of persons working on rural holdings at the end of March as recorded in the annual Agricultural Census.

Males working permanently full-time include all other than casual or seasonal workers, boys and youths attending schools and other persons working only part-time. Casual or seasonal workers, including contractors for shearing, etc., but not those engaged on construction and development work, are shown as temporary employees.

Attention should be drawn to the difficulty encountered in obtaining data on persons working on holdings on a comparable basis from year to year. This is mainly due to the changing number of lessees and sharefarmers, and the tendency of many farmers to include part-time family helpers as full-time workers in their returns.

TABLE 10. - MALES (a) WORKING ON RURAL HOLDINGS : STATES, 31 MARCH 1972

	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aust.
Permanent -									
Owners, lessees or sharefarmers	53,646	55,086	38,220	21,225	19,892	6,515	207	114	194,905
Relatives of owner, lessee or sharefarmer over 14 years of age, not receiving wages or salary	635	3,783	2,892	141	1,311	..	27	8	8,797
Employees, incl. managers and relatives working for wages or salary	21,460	12,395	14,492	5,885	6,243	3,166	1,571	121	65,333
<i>Total permanent males</i>	<i>75,741</i>	<i>71,264</i>	<i>55,604</i>	<i>27,251</i>	<i>27,446</i>	<i>9,681</i>	<i>1,805</i>	<i>243</i>	<i>269,035</i>
Temporary	22,822	22,882	14,869	7,208	(b)	4,179	468	100	(b)
<b>Total males</b>	<b>98,563</b>	<b>94,146</b>	<b>70,473</b>	<b>34,459</b>	<b>(b)</b>	<b>13,860</b>	<b>2,273</b>	<b>343</b>	<b>(b)</b>

(a) Details for females are not available except for New South Wales and Victoria where 7,170 and 14,049 females respectively were engaged on rural holdings. (b) Not available for publication.

TABLE 11. - MALES (a) WORKING ON RURAL HOLDINGS : AUSTRALIA, 1968 TO 1972

	31 March -				
	1968	1969	1970	1971	1972
Permanent -					
Owners, lessees or sharefarmers	214,345	207,192	201,505	191,180	194,905
Relatives of owner, lessee or sharefarmer over 14 years of age, not receiving wages or salary	10,825	11,421	9,860	8,062	8,797
Employees, incl. managers and relatives working for wages or salary	81,882	79,294	75,808	69,667	65,333
<i>Total permanent males</i>	<i>307,052</i>	<i>297,907</i>	<i>287,173</i>	<i>268,909</i>	<i>269,035</i>
Temporary	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)
<b>Total males</b>	<b>(b)</b>	<b>(b)</b>	<b>(b)</b>	<b>(b)</b>	<b>(b)</b>

(a) Details for females are not available except for New South Wales and Victoria. See footnote (a), Table 10 for 1972 totals. (b) Not available for publication.

### Employment in the agricultural sector

In addition to the statistics of employment on rural holdings compiled from agricultural census data, agricultural industry employment statistics are also available from the regular labour force surveys conducted by the Bureau and the Australian population censuses, which have been conducted on five occasions since 1947.

In the labour force surveys, the agricultural labour force estimates form part of the civilian labour force estimates. The estimates are based on the results of the quarterly population survey, and are conducted on a sample basis throughout Australia in February, May, August and November each year. The survey information is obtained by means of personal interviews carried out by specially trained enumerators. The estimates relate to all persons aged fifteen years and over, except members of the permanent armed forces and certain diplomatic personnel customarily excluded from census and estimated populations. The table following is based on the Australian Standard Industry Classification (ASIC).

Under the *ASIC classification*, the term *agriculture*, is used in the broad sense to include the breeding, keeping or cultivation of animal or vegetable life, the sun-drying of fruit and the agricultural service industries, such as those operating on a contract, consultant, etc., basis. However, the following activities which could be construed as falling within the ambit of agriculture, as specified in the previous sentence, are specifically excluded:

Forestry, pisciculture and the cultivation and production of aquatic vegetation, flora and fauna sanctuaries, botanical and zoological gardens, and institutional farms with research and penal functions.

The labour force classification used in the surveys conforms closely to that recommended by the Eighth International Conference of Labour Statisticians, held in Geneva in 1954. The labour force category to which a person is assigned depends on his actual activity (i.e. whether working, looking for work, etc.) during a specified week, known as "survey week", which is the week immediately preceding that in which the interview takes place. The interviews are carried out during a period of four weeks, so that there are four survey weeks in each of the months to which the survey relates. These survey weeks generally fall within the limits of the calendar month.

*Employed persons* comprise all those who, during survey week,

- (a) did any work for pay, profit, commission or payment in kind, in a job or business, or on a farm (including employees, employers and self-employed persons), or
- (b) worked fifteen hours or more without pay in a family business (or farm), or
- (c) had a job, business or farm, but were not at work because of illness, accident, leave, holiday, production hold-up due to bad weather, plant breakdown, etc., or because they were on strike.

A person who had a job but was temporarily laid off by his employer for the whole week without pay is excluded, and is classified in the tables as unemployed. A person who did some work during the week, however, before he either lost his job or was laid off, is classified as employed. A person who held more than one job is counted only once, in the job at which he worked most hours during survey week.

Further information relating to the labour force surveys can be obtained from the Bureau publication: *The Labour Force*, (Reference Number 6.20).

TABLE 12. - EMPLOYMENT IN AGRICULTURE (a) : AUSTRALIA, August 1971 to February 1973 ('000)

Month (h)	Males	Females	Persons
1971 August	327.8	63.5	391.3
November	339.0	64.6	403.6
1972 February	349.0	68.8	417.8
May	339.5	60.3	399.8
August	344.4	65.6	410.0
November	315.8	73.9	389.7
1973 February	311.2	70.7	382.0

(a) As defined by sub-divisions 01 and 02 of ASIC. See: *ASIC classification*, above. (b) See: *In the labour force surveys* above.

Agricultural sector employment statistics derived from the Australian population censuses are shown in the following tables

TABLE 13. - AGE OF MALES AND FEMALES EMPLOYED IN AGRICULTURE : END OF JUNE 1971

Age last birthday	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia
MALES									
15-19	5,922	4,912	5,240	2,476	2,664	728	326	22	22,290
20-24	8,336	6,778	6,356	3,203	3,729	848	392	35	29,677
25-29	8,586	6,903	6,397	3,096	3,691	959	309	20	29,961
30-34	8,623	7,028	6,421	2,836	3,350	964	223	27	29,472
35-39	8,682	6,754	6,341	2,713	2,977	910	199	29	28,605
40-44	9,289	7,837	6,349	3,207	2,986	1,051	204	28	30,951
45-49	9,116	7,968	6,114	3,285	2,702	1,103	178	28	30,494
50-54	8,327	7,208	5,430	2,867	2,202	1,097	181	25	27,337
55-59	8,077	6,648	5,067	2,794	2,156	1,048	124	25	25,939
60-64	6,610	5,523	3,908	2,042	1,694	850	77	21	20,725
65-69	3,788	3,426	2,237	1,191	1,066	474	44	21	12,247
70 and over	3,388	3,123	1,868	1,075	698	437	24	12	10,625
<b>Total</b>	<b>88,744</b>	<b>74,108</b>	<b>61,728</b>	<b>30,785</b>	<b>29,915</b>	<b>10,469</b>	<b>2,281</b>	<b>293</b>	<b>298,323</b>
FEMALES									
15-19	789	607	945	326	325	65	75	..	3,132
20-24	947	1,065	1,036	454	443	78	83	2	4,108
25-29	1,431	1,479	1,248	704	586	120	61	7	5,636
30-34	1,872	1,907	1,540	904	817	175	50	7	7,272
35-39	2,189	2,059	1,739	960	826	176	48	13	8,010
40-44	2,500	2,448	1,756	1,115	860	192	45	8	8,924
45-49	2,648	2,516	1,626	1,182	873	247	45	10	9,147
50-54	2,167	2,020	1,454	960	674	194	36	6	7,511
55-59	1,699	1,601	1,144	773	569	148	12	6	5,952
60-64	1,076	1,004	688	391	313	110	9	4	3,595
65-69	619	536	367	201	161	50	3	3	1,940
70 and over	624	695	384	207	120	61	3	3	2,097
<b>Total</b>	<b>18,561</b>	<b>17,937</b>	<b>13,927</b>	<b>8,177</b>	<b>6,567</b>	<b>1,616</b>	<b>470</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>67,324</b>

TABLE 14. - AGE OF MALES AND FEMALES EMPLOYED IN AGRICULTURE AUSTRALIA, END OF JUNE, 1947 TO 1971

Age last birthday	1947 (a)	1954 (a)	1961 (a)	1966 (a)	1971
MALES					
10-14	2,550	2,551	2,010	(b)	(b)
15-19	44,245	42,461	38,277	36,239	22,290
20-24	45,284	43,677	39,012	35,514	29,677
25-29	42,238	47,693	37,286	34,805	29,961
30-34	44,858	45,678	40,517	33,216	29,472
35-39	45,300	44,635	41,544	36,969	28,605
40-44	41,823	45,682	38,497	36,373	30,951
45-49	38,940	41,764	39,742	33,498	30,494
50-54	34,122	36,400	37,034	33,847	27,337
55-59	33,378	28,116	30,448	30,016	25,939
60-64	26,492	24,821	23,013	22,625	20,725
65-69	16,859	16,973	14,234		12,247
70-74	16,370	15,482	6,184	26,038	10,625
75 and over	2,733	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Not stated					
<b>Total</b>	<b>435,192</b>	<b>435,933</b>	<b>396,519</b>	<b>359,140</b>	<b>298,323</b>
FEMALES					
10-14	190	251	203	(b)	(b)
15-19	3,971	4,162	3,411	5,278	3,132
20-24	2,904	2,649	2,551	5,236	4,108
25-29	1,430	2,077	2,562	6,361	5,636
30-34	1,314	2,180	3,198	7,335	7,272
35-39	1,379	2,492	3,978	8,682	8,010
40-44	1,633	2,901	4,202	9,631	8,924
45-49	1,947	3,103	4,552	8,921	9,147
50-54	2,044	3,168	4,012	8,078	7,511
55-59	2,233	2,651	3,303	6,071	5,952
60-64	1,814	2,294	2,603	3,855	3,595
65-69	1,359	1,663	1,846		1,940
70-74	1,968	2,299	1,240	5,205	2,097
75 and over	124	n.a.	1,231	n.a.	n.a.
Not stated					
<b>Total</b>	<b>24,310</b>	<b>31,890</b>	<b>38,892</b>	<b>74,653</b>	<b>67,324</b>

(a) Exclusive of full-blood aborigines. (b) Not collected.

**VI. FARM MACHINERY ON RURAL HOLDINGS AND SALES OF  
NEW TRACTORS FOR AGRICULTURAL PURPOSES**

**Farm Machinery on Rural Holdings**

**TABLE 15. - FARM MACHINERY ON RURAL HOLDINGS: STATES, 31 MARCH 1972  
(Number)**

	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia
Tractors -									
wheeled	82,902	79,369	65,071	34,233	31,809	11,716	440	179	305,719
crawler	6,194	3,101	8,493	2,974	3,631	1,147	151	7	25,698
Fertiliser distributors and broadcasters (a)	24,795	28,552	17,561	9,816	10,089	5,832	102	85	96,832
Grain and seed harvesters (including headers and strippers) -									
tractor drawn	14,539	11,265	4,433	9,078	8,556	556	32	20	48,479
self-propelled	4,946	1,803	3,434	2,807	1,906	118	18	8	15,040
Grain drills -									
combine type	29,814	20,175	15,117	15,355	13,687	1,507	83	55	95,793
other type	5,776	7,202	1,961	4,485	3,404	2,093	11	27	24,959
Pick-up balers	12,146	14,822	3,689	5,582	4,570	2,044	44	45	42,942
Forage harvesters	3,145	2,217	1,663	856	688	357	24	10	8,960
Rotary hoes and rotary tillers -									
self-contained power unit	8,404	6,676	3,437	3,340	1,728	1,204	69	26	24,884
tractor mounted and trailing types	8,911	6,060	5,781	2,665	2,149	1,105	43	19	26,733
Milking plant (number of units)	32,632	108,745	27,489	16,261	8,401	16,183	27	67	209,805
Shearing plant (number of stands)	70,301	42,876	15,573	29,586	25,399	4,505	(b)	242	(c)188,482

(a) Rotary and direct drop. (b) Not available for publication. (c) Incomplete: see footnotes to individual States.

**TABLE 16. - FARM MACHINERY ON RURAL HOLDINGS, 31 MARCH, AUSTRALIA, 1968 TO 1972  
(Number)**

	1968	1969	1970	1971	1972	
Tractors -						
wheeled			299,297	303,458	300,821	305,719
crawler	323,982	24,299	26,567	25,904	25,698	
Fertiliser distributors and broadcasters (a)	95,853	97,119	98,447	98,117	96,832	
Grain and seed harvesters (including headers and strippers) -						
tractor drawn	55,929	53,883	50,163	49,904	48,479	
self-propelled	11,953	13,213	13,191	13,871	15,040	
Grain drills -						
combine type	94,094	94,650	94,917	93,567	95,793	
other type	29,634	28,490	27,196	25,717	24,959	
Pick-up balers	38,211	40,142	41,237	42,187	42,942	
Forage harvesters	7,545	8,016	8,421	8,523	8,960	
Rotary hoes and rotary tillers -						
self-contained power unit	27,174	25,722	24,549	23,059	24,884	
tractor mounted and trailing types	20,333	21,581	20,837	23,264	26,733	
Milking plant (number of units)	233,022	231,698	228,042	n.a.	209,805	
Shearing plant (number of stands)	195,542	196,286	195,352	n.a.	188,482	

(a) Rotary and direct drop.

## Sales of New Tractors for Agricultural Purposes

The figures in the table below have been derived from quarterly returns supplied by businesses which distribute the various makes of new tractors throughout Australia.

In the tables, sales refer to the number of new tractors delivered or in transit to end-users, or to manufacturers of tractor attachments. A tractor is defined as a prime mover, mounted on either wheels or tracks, which has been designed for general use, and which may be fitted with a variety of agricultural, earthmoving or materials-handling attachments. Agricultural purpose is derived from the principal purpose for which the purchaser intended to use the tractor. For example, if purchased by a farmer or contract dam sinker the tractor would be included, where tractors purchased for construction or forestry work are excluded.

TABLE 17. - SALES OF NEW TRACTORS (a) FOR AGRICULTURAL PURPOSES (b)  
1968 TO 1972

States	Year ended 30 June -				
	1968	1969	1970	1971	1972
New South Wales and Australian Capital Territory	4,606	4,844	3,462	2,662	3,003
Victoria	3,117	3,560	2,672	2,728	2,660
Queensland	4,260	3,825	3,507	3,220	3,334
South Australia and Northern Territory	1,320	2,004	1,147	1,045	1,025
Western Australia	2,116	1,841	863	638	891
Tasmania	648	550	498	348	346
<b>Australia</b>	<b>16,067</b>	<b>16,624</b>	<b>12,149</b>	<b>10,641</b>	<b>11,259</b>

(a) Wheeled and crawler tractors. (b) See text above.

A table showing seasonally adjusted series relating to sales of new tractors is published quarterly in; *Receipts, Sales and Stocks of New Tractors* (Reference Number 12.18).

## VII. IRRIGATION ON RURAL HOLDINGS

TABLE 18. - AREA OF LAND UNDER IRRIGATED CULTURE : STATES, 1971-72  
(Acres)

Crops and pastures	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia
Sown and native pastures	952,563	1,236,076	57,639	57,884	36,790	22,409	148	407	2,363,916
Lucerne	168,338	57,701	47,864	40,746	1,652	2,179	93	370	318,943
Cereals for all purposes	484,881	38,843	94,895	697	3,936	1,568	81	57	624,958
Sugar cane	..	..	144,283	..	..	..	..	..	144,283
Cotton	72,423	..	13,629	..	9,540	..	..	..	95,592
Sunflower	30,220	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	30,220
Tobacco	3,146	8,978	11,712	..	..	..	..	..	23,836
Linseed	2,053	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2,053
Safflower	2,522	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2,522
Vegetables for human consumption	37,393	42,765	48,700	15,754	10,336	12,468	325	113	167,854
Fruit	37,624	49,035	11,204	32,047	13,288	7,397	99	17	150,711
Grapesvines	23,209	46,335	357	39,148	1,344	..	..	..	110,393
All other crops	33,445	13,215	23,279	1,717	1,105	3,047	324	7	76,139
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,847,817</b>	<b>1,492,948</b>	<b>453,562</b>	<b>187,993</b>	<b>77,991</b>	<b>49,068</b>	<b>1,070</b>	<b>971</b>	<b>4,111,420</b>

Prior to 1969-70, statistics of irrigated culture in New South Wales were compiled from data collected by the Water Conservation and Irrigation Commission, and in Victoria, by the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission. From 1969-70, irrigated culture statistics for all States and Territories were compiled from the Annual Agricultural Census. The statistics for 1969-70 and subsequent periods for New South Wales, Victoria and Australia are therefore not comparable with those for earlier periods.

**TABLE 19. - AREA OF LAND UNDER IRRIGATED CULTURE (a) : AUSTRALIA, 1967-68 TO 1971-72**  
(Acres)

<i>Crops and pastures</i>	1967-68	1968-69	1969-70	1970-71	1971-72
Sown and native pastures	1,921,290	1,869,999	2,146,741	2,319,332	2,363,916
Lucerne	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	{ 318,943
Cereals for all purposes	141,087	152,832	151,258	155,691	{ 624,958
Sugar cane	59,926	63,524	74,254	85,910	95,592
Cotton	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	30,220
Sunflower	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	23,836
Tobacco	11,833	13,427	15,207	24,621	2,053
Linseed	(b)	(b)	{ 1,760	4,962	2,522
Safflower	(b)	(b)	{ 422	1,315	
Vegetables for human consumption	134,269	135,174	170,353	165,183	167,854
Fruit	145,921	144,882	174,223	175,607	150,711
Grapevines	94,442	97,433	82,691	87,048	110,393
All other crops	812,424	866,984	831,464	888,636	76,139
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,321,192</b>	<b>3,344,255</b>	<b>3,648,373</b>	<b>3,908,305</b>	<b>4,111,420</b>

(a) See text above. (b) Not available separately; included in "All other crops".

**TABLE 20. - CROPS AND PASTURES IRRIGATED, BY METHOD OF IRRIGATION : AUSTRALIA, 1971-72**  
(Acres)

<i>Crops and Pastures</i>	<i>Method</i>					<i>Total</i>
	<i>Sprays</i>	<i>Furrows</i>	<i>Flood</i>	<i>Trickle</i>	<i>Other and multiple methods</i>	
Sown and native pastures	250,875	17,197	2,081,288	525	14,031	2,363,916
Lucerne	182,900	1,555	133,474	21	993	318,943
Cereals for all purposes	78,759	85,836	457,269	24	3,070	624,958
Sugar cane	54,577	68,255	15,189	..	6,262	144,283
Cotton	643	79,462	15,157	..	330	95,592
Sunflower	1,467	6,497	21,926	..	330	30,220
Tobacco	22,671	532	356	..	277	23,836
Linseed	170	320	1,510	..	53	2,053
Safflower	51	1,078	1,393	..	..	2,522
Vegetables for human consumption	140,091	21,326	4,681	760	996	167,854
Fruit	80,027	37,042	20,760	8,941	3,941	150,711
Grapevines	19,972	80,719	5,025	3,883	794	110,393
All other crops	22,725	19,625	31,953	84	1,752	76,139
<b>Total</b>	<b>854,928</b>	<b>419,444</b>	<b>2,789,981</b>	<b>14,238</b>	<b>32,829</b>	<b>4,111,420</b>

**TABLE 21. - SOURCES OF IRRIGATION WATER : AUSTRALIA, 1971-72**  
(Acres)

<i>State</i>	<i>Surface water supplied from State irrigation schemes</i>	<i>Other surface water supplies (incl. private group schemes)</i>		<i>Underground water supply (e.g. bore, spear, well)</i>	<i>Town or country reticulated water supply</i>	<i>Total</i>
		<i>Direct from rivers, creeks, lakes, etc.</i>	<i>From farm dams</i>			
New South Wales	1,078,147	592,747	30,613	143,438	2,872	1,847,817
Victoria	1,237,539	165,651	46,407	35,187	8,164	1,492,948
Queensland	53,603	107,684	31,008	260,464	803	453,562
South Australia	53,654	46,153	5,824	80,784	1,578	187,993
Western Australia	45,231	9,190	12,719	10,539	312	77,991
Tasmania	12	23,871	24,290	551	344	49,068
Northern Territory	..	679	117	260	14	1,070
Australian Capital Territory	..	848	..	115	8	971
<b>Australia</b>	<b>2,468,186</b>	<b>946,823</b>	<b>150,978</b>	<b>531,338</b>	<b>14,095</b>	<b>4,111,420</b>

## VIII. ARTIFICIAL FERTILISERS

TABLE 22. - PRINCIPAL CROPS AND PASTURES ARTIFICIALLY FERTILISED, AREA FERTILISED AND QUANTITY (a) USED, 1971-72

		N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia
Sown and native pastures -										
Area fertilised	acres	6,699,260	9,118,911	407,025	3,868,514	11,400,426	1,226,880	112,187	22,450	32,855,653
Superphosphate used	tons	381,778	558,722	38,963	204,451	587,916	85,994	6,407	1,239	1,865,470
Other artificial fertilisers used	"	16,833	99,690	9,421	6,200	38,026	21,692	293	23	192,178
Lucerne -										
Area fertilised	acres	311,351	181,113	31,404	633,432	24,879	8,468	91	1,483	1,192,221
Superphosphate used	tons	19,112	13,038	2,960	38,162	2,062	582	33	117	76,066
Other artificial fertilisers used	"	905	1,749	627	1,571	276	518	..	..	5,646
Wheat -										
Area fertilised	acres	3,837,320	2,293,152	127,012	2,567,094	5,048,054	11,658	..	1,174	13,885,464
Superphosphate used	tons	149,624	103,002	2,239	120,340	237,245	951	..	53	613,454
Other artificial fertilisers used	"	10,425	4,137	2,054	4,787	25,905	38	..	..	47,346
Oats, barley and rye -										
Area fertilised	acres	1,502,870	1,393,570	177,175	2,520,984	3,768,098	71,774	..	1,405	9,435,876
Superphosphate used	tons	63,929	61,773	5,078	119,768	179,672	5,939	..	80	436,239
Other artificial fertilisers used	"	7,717	2,050	4,347	5,071	13,306	588	..	10	33,089
Other Cereals -										
Area fertilised	acres	206,395	3,998	241,603	..	5,193	100	12,843	90	470,222
Superphosphate used	tons	5,535	260	4,788	..	191	6	1,766	5	12,551
Other artificial fertilisers used	"	9,572	86	8,863	..	1,515	7	1,019	..	21,062
Sugar cane -										
Area fertilised	acres	23,978	..	554,991	..	..	..	..	..	578,969
Superphosphate used	tons	322	..	17,929	..	..	..	..	..	18,251
Other artificial fertilisers used	"	4,803	..	158,754	..	..	..	..	..	163,557
Vegetables for human consumption -										
Area fertilised	acres	49,991	64,967	45,830	20,673	12,655	21,905	340	123	216,484
Superphosphate used	tons	5,712	9,186	1,713	3,462	3,566	2,525	56	37	26,257
Other artificial fertilisers used	"	8,318	19,183	11,752	6,212	11,530	5,143	73	33	62,244
Fruit -										
Area fertilised	acres	58,582	47,367	38,717	29,868	15,503	13,701	89	17	203,844
Superphosphate used	tons	4,538	4,449	971	4,421	1,815	1,278	4	1	17,477
Other artificial fertilisers used	"	16,395	9,306	15,052	5,041	3,764	3,717	26	..	53,301
Grapelines -										
Area fertilised	acres	19,761	19,504	2,343	42,802	4,466	..	..	..	88,876
Superphosphate used	tons	1,782	1,431	68	5,118	432	..	..	..	8,831
Other artificial fertilisers used	"	2,168	1,554	352	3,355	621	..	..	..	8,050
All other crops -										
Area fertilised	acres	308,963	93,386	111,961	39,438	165,514	25,409	334	79	745,084
Superphosphate used	tons	9,787	7,187	3,954	2,190	10,408	2,188	10	5	35,729
Other artificial fertilisers used	"	5,649	3,719	8,884	189	3,083	1,152	41	..	22,717
Total -										
Area fertilised	acres	13,018,471	13,215,968	1,738,061	9,722,805	20,444,788	1,379,895	125,884	26,821	59,672,693
Superphosphate used	tons	642,119	759,048	78,663	497,912	1,023,307	99,463	8,276	1,537	3,110,325
Other artificial fertilisers used	"	(b)82,785	141,474	220,106	32,426	98,076	32,855	1,452	66	609,190

(a) Includes quantities of "double" and "triple" strength superphosphate converted to single strength equivalent. (b) In addition, 10,736,090 lb "N" of Anhydrous Ammonia (82% "N") was applied

TABLE 23. — ARTIFICIAL FERTILISERS USED  
AUSTRALIA, 1967-68 TO 1971-72

	1967-68	1968-69	1969-70	1970-71	1971-72
AREA FERTILISED (Acres)					
Sown and native pastures	} 40,693,399	36,256,504	40,058,031	36,912,913	{ 32,855,653
Lucerne					
Wheat	18,263,230	21,289,902	18,837,766	13,281,221	13,885,464
Oats, barley and rye	} 7,711,465	8,201,372	8,353,888	9,869,111	{ 9,435,876
Other cereals					
Sugar cane	562,818	566,824	564,497	564,396	578,969
Vegetables for human consumption	223,106	237,660	236,304	208,888	216,484
Fruit	} 301,326	301,856	305,264	309,462	{ 203,844
Grapevines					
All other crops	859,644	1,150,072	1,161,334	1,337,627	745,084
<b>Total</b>	<b>68,614,988</b>	<b>68,004,190</b>	<b>69,517,084</b>	<b>62,483,618</b>	<b>59,672,693</b>
SUPERPHOSPHATE USED (Tons)					
Sown and native pastures	} 2,329,999	2,105,433	2,315,340	2,126,952	{ 1,865,470
Lucerne					
Wheat	829,784	964,176	853,742	590,128	613,454
Oats, barley and rye	} 360,856	391,509	406,357	455,783	{ 436,239
Other cereals					
Sugar cane	13,551	13,875	17,803	27,414	18,251
Vegetables for human consumption	26,642	29,146	30,221	27,416	26,257
Fruit	} 19,610	21,891	26,750	27,230	{ 17,477
Grapevines					
All other crops	56,818	70,023	70,538	86,060	35,729
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,637,330</b>	<b>3,596,053</b>	<b>3,720,751</b>	<b>3,340,983</b>	<b>3,110,325</b>
OTHER FERTILISER USED (Tons)					
Sown and native pastures	} 162,064	134,596	158,895	160,905	{ 192,178
Lucerne					
Wheat	63,213	97,140	110,724	66,996	47,346
Oats, barley and rye	} 36,852	46,674	60,924	66,868	{ 33,089
Other cereals					
Sugar cane	154,433	144,716	151,114	146,616	163,557
Vegetables for human consumption	65,976	69,283	65,397	66,400	62,244
Fruit	} 72,560	70,624	72,538	71,835	{ 53,301
Grapevines					
All other crops	32,470	30,410	31,633	30,329	22,717
<b>Total</b>	<b>587,568</b>	<b>593,443</b>	<b>651,225</b>	<b>609,949</b>	<b>609,190</b>

TABLE 24. — AREA FERTILISED AND QUANTITY OF ARTIFICIAL FERTILISERS USED  
1967-68 TO 1971-72

State	1967-68	1968-69	1969-70	1970-71	1971-72
AREA ('000 Acres)					
New South Wales	17,252	16,830	16,340	14,311	13,018
Victoria	16,319	14,887	15,353	13,613	13,216
Queensland	1,502	1,683	1,793	1,576	1,738
South Australia	10,163	10,277	10,245	9,442	9,723
Western Australia	21,465	22,497	23,944	21,883	20,445
Tasmania	1,805	1,733	1,693	1,524	1,380
Northern Territory	60	56	99	99	126
Australian Capital Territory	50	41	50	38	27
<b>Australia</b>	<b>68,615</b>	<b>68,004</b>	<b>69,517</b>	<b>62,484</b>	<b>59,673</b>
QUANTITY USED (Tons)					
New South Wales	893,469	897,893	903,334	828,228	724,904
Victoria	1,068,605	954,807	1,007,216	916,249	900,522
Queensland	263,460	264,973	292,376	289,870	298,769
South Australia	599,877	580,756	590,261	538,515	530,338
Western Australia	1,219,968	1,323,293	1,416,936	1,230,296	1,121,333
Tasmania	172,195	160,462	153,649	140,025	132,318
Northern Territory	4,629	5,117	5,414	5,643	9,728
Australian Capital Territory	2,695	2,195	2,790	2,106	1,603
<b>Australia</b>	<b>4,224,898</b>	<b>4,189,496</b>	<b>4,371,976</b>	<b>3,950,932</b>	<b>3,719,515</b>

## IX. AERIAL AGRICULTURAL OPERATIONS

The following table was compiled from returns by operators of aircraft engaged in aerial agricultural activities. Prior to 1 January 1967, the statistics were collected, on a broadly similar basis, by the Department of Civil Aviation who commenced the series in 1956. Additional data is published in the quarterly publication: *Aerial Agriculture Operations, Australia*, (Reference No. 10.1).

Duplication between topdressing and seeding and spraying has been excluded in arriving at total area treated. Statistics relating to the Australian Capital Territory and the Northern Territory have been included in New South Wales and Queensland respectively.

TABLE 25. — AERIAL AGRICULTURE OPERATIONS: AUSTRALIA, 1967-68 TO 1971-72, AND STATES,  
1971-72

Year ended 31 March	Area topdressed and seeded	Area sprayed	Total area treated (a)	Materials used		Total flying time
				Super- phosphate	Seed	
				tons	'000 lb	hours
		'000 acres				
1968	10,495	(b)	14,348	524,374	3,249	102,112
1969	9,474	4,580	14,416	436,589	4,125	99,639
1970	10,270	3,723	14,868	550,952	2,854	102,619
1971	8,165	2,778	11,320	410,773	2,450	83,692
1972 —						
New South Wales	3,609	1,541	5,292	178,835	2,963	37,138
Victoria	1,208	244	1,582	67,433	167	11,767
Queensland	863	(b)	1,590	(b)	1,161	12,049
South Australia	(b)	204	541	17,832	(b)	(b)
Western Australia	674	698	(b)	39,492	(b)	8,992
Tasmania	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)
<b>Australia</b>	<b>(c)6,906</b>	<b>(c)3,353</b>	<b>(c)10,604</b>	<b>(c)330,076</b>	<b>(c)4,390</b>	<b>(c)75,620</b>

(a) Includes other types of treatment (rabbit baiting, etc.). (b) Not available for publication. (c) Incomplete: see footnotes to individual States.

**X. ON FARM CONSUMPTION AND STOCKS OF MAJOR GRAINS AND HAY  
AND PRODUCTION AND STOCKS OF SILAGE**

**TABLE 26. - CEREAL GRAINS CONSUMED BY LIVESTOCK ON  
FARMS, 1967-68 TO 1971-72**  
(\*'000 Bushels)

<i>State</i>	<i>1967-68</i>	<i>1968-69</i>	<i>1969-70</i>	<i>1970-71</i>	<i>1971-72</i>
<b>BARLEY</b>					
New South Wales	1,644	1,787	1,956	2,036	3,672
Victoria	1,370	1,228	1,504	1,801	2,523
Queensland	(a)	3,813	3,801	2,747	3,006
South Australia	2,748	3,166	3,427	3,439	5,598
Tasmania	(a)	(a)	2,575	2,755	2,931
Tasmania	283	311	347	427	541
Northern Territory	(a)	(a)	(b)	(b)	(b)
Australian Capital Territory	(a)	(a)	3	(b)	(b)
<b>Australia</b>	<b>n.a.</b>	<b>n.a.</b>	<b>(c)13,612</b>	<b>(c)13,205</b>	<b>(c)18,271</b>
<b>OATS</b>					
New South Wales	14,075	9,136	5,233	7,221	10,616
Victoria	9,445	5,836	5,803	6,217	7,224
Queensland	(a)	114	745	528	371
South Australia	3,654	2,860	2,817	4,162	3,474
Western Australia	(a)	(a)	9,946	7,962	7,689
Tasmania	641	287	220	227	207
Northern Territory	(a)	(a)	(b)	(b)	(b)
Australian Capital Territory	(a)	(a)	14	8	28
<b>Australia</b>	<b>n.a.</b>	<b>n.a.</b>	<b>(c)24,778</b>	<b>(c)26,326</b>	<b>(c)29,611</b>
<b>WHEAT</b>					
New South Wales	5,394	5,595	5,302	7,148	11,747
Victoria	2,115	3,380	1,994	2,376	2,608
Queensland	(a)	1,589	1,833	1,186	1,945
South Australia	710	870	815	1,448	2,034
Western Australia	(a)	(a)	2,002	2,706	2,895
Tasmania	469	389	256	385	438
Northern Territory	(a)	(a)	(b)	(b)	4
Australian Capital Territory	(a)	(a)	15	25	6
<b>Australia</b>	<b>n.a.</b>	<b>n.a.</b>	<b>(c)12,216</b>	<b>(c)15,273</b>	<b>(c)21,677</b>

(a) Not collected. (b) Not collected separately. (c) Incomplete: see footnotes to individual States.

**TABLE 27. - FARM STOCKS OF CEREAL GRAINS, 1967-68 TO 1971-72**  
(\*'000 Bushels)

<i>State</i>	<i>At 31 March</i>				
	<i>1968</i>	<i>1969</i>	<i>1970</i>	<i>1971</i>	<i>1972</i>
<b>BARLEY</b>					
New South Wales	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	6,655
Victoria	(b)	(b)	2,357	2,778	4,042
Queensland	(b)	(b)	1,897	929	2,157
South Australia	3,629	5,906	5,344	5,865	3,355
Western Australia	(c)1,214	(c)1,445	4,171	4,500	6,373
Tasmania	(b)	(b)	360	441	461
Northern Territory	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(a)
Australian Capital Territory	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(a)
<b>Australia</b>	<b>n.a.</b>	<b>n.a.</b>	<b>n.a.</b>	<b>n.a.</b>	<b>(d)28,043</b>
<b>OATS</b>					
New South Wales	16,406	27,518	30,660	33,724	22,920
Victoria	3,641	12,591	19,127	15,948	14,513
Queensland	(b)	(b)	931	745	808
South Australia	2,185	6,474	6,224	6,368	7,563
Western Australia	(c)9,938	(c)9,684	10,476	11,565	15,731
Tasmania	(b)	(b)	473	451	393
Northern Territory	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(a)
Australian Capital Territory	16	23	35	31	23
<b>Australia</b>	<b>n.a.</b>	<b>n.a.</b>	<b>(d)67,926</b>	<b>(d)68,831</b>	<b>(d)61,950</b>
<b>WHEAT</b>					
New South Wales	10,723	10,900	12,648	11,070	10,888
Victoria	4,980	4,777	11,797	5,054	6,226
Queensland	(b)	(b)	1,157	755	979
South Australia	3,838	4,438	4,367	3,869	3,876
Western Australia	8,171	7,989	7,533	10,257	7,865
Tasmania	(b)	(b)	113	94	93
Northern Territory	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(a)
Australian Capital Territory	14	15	34	24	13
<b>Australia</b>	<b>n.a.</b>	<b>n.a.</b>	<b>(d)37,648</b>	<b>(d)31,122</b>	<b>(d)29,940</b>

(a) Not available separately. (b) Not collected. (c) Feed only. (d) Incomplete: see footnotes to individual States.

TABLE 28. — HAY CONSUMED BY LIVESTOCK ON FARMS  
1967-68 TO 1971-72  
(Tons)

State	1967-68	1968-69	1969-70	1970-71	1971-72
<b>CEREAL HAY</b>					
New South Wales	249,008	193,597	121,688	173,410	247,611
Victoria	367,550	311,105	277,805	280,164	373,010
Queensland	(a)	(b)12,044	(b)21,103	18,672	26,177
South Australia	(c)	(c)	(b)169,052	214,486	218,568
Western Australia	(a)	(a)	245,827	247,652	226,037
Tasmania	(a)	(a)	(b)28,847	21,084	19,351
Northern Territory	(a)	(a)	(c)	(c)	359
Australian Capital Territory	(a)	(a)	(b)522	288	1,011
<b>Australia</b>	<b>n.a.</b>	<b>n.a.</b>	<b>(d)864,844</b>	<b>(d)955,756</b>	<b>1,112,124</b>
<b>LUCERNE HAY</b>					
New South Wales	341,972	318,592	210,895	402,059	552,394
Victoria	159,850	149,885	125,297	126,051	169,399
Queensland	(a)	(b)104,160	(b)306,345	162,314	169,488
South Australia	(c)	(c)	(b)73,848	94,256	93,906
Western Australia	(a)	(a)	(c)	(c)	5,375
Tasmania	(a)	(a)	(c)	(c)	12,247
Northern Territory	(a)	(a)	395	1,193	3,952
Australian Capital Territory	(a)	(a)	2,001	3,081	3,379
<b>Australia</b>	<b>n.a.</b>	<b>n.a.</b>	<b>(d)718,781</b>	<b>(d)788,954</b>	<b>1,010,140</b>
<b>OTHER HAY</b>					
New South Wales	397,726	360,834	181,233	301,918	438,725
Victoria	1,558,680	1,329,910	1,300,858	1,453,923	1,886,167
Queensland	(a)	(b)81,191	(b)206,238	144,315	58,789
South Australia	(b)457,156	(b)398,609	(b)215,092	259,227	288,890
Western Australia	(a)	(a)	223,911	217,389	212,674
Tasmania	(a)	(a)	(b)149,203	242,429	320,943
Northern Territory	(a)	(a)	1,946	3,539	2,190
Australian Capital Territory	(a)	(a)	726	830	1,351
<b>Australia</b>	<b>n.a.</b>	<b>n.a.</b>	<b>(d)2,279,207</b>	<b>2,623,570</b>	<b>3,209,729</b>

(a) Not collected. (b) Includes chaff. (c) Included in 'other hay'. (d) Incomplete; see footnotes to individual States.

TABLE 29. — FARM STOCKS OF HAY, 1967-68 TO 1971-72  
(Tons)

State	<i>at 31 March</i>				
	1968	1969	1970	1971	1972
New South Wales	1,273,385	1,819,874	2,536,522	2,520,843	1,753,873
Victoria	1,104,034	2,987,848	2,376,974	2,653,004	3,800,147
Queensland	(a)241,922	(a)152,945	(a)254,397	283,216	333,320
South Australia	267,677	723,057	630,388	614,417	946,627
Western Australia	223,115	243,836	237,339	400,592	471,891
Tasmania	297,118	450,547	443,332	464,146	508,165
Northern Territory	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	930
Australian Capital Territory	3,594	4,975	13,540	9,650	14,123
<b>Australia</b>	<b>(c)3,410,845</b>	<b>(c)6,383,082</b>	<b>(c)6,492,492</b>	<b>(c)6,945,868</b>	<b>7,829,076</b>

(a) Includes chaff. (b) Not collected. (c) Incomplete; see footnotes to individual States.

TABLE 30. — SILAGE MADE ON FARMS, 1967-68 TO 1971-72  
(Tons)

State	1967-68	1968-69	1969-70	1970-71	1971-72
New South Wales	134,408	208,650	426,738	377,234	236,722
Victoria	160,771	337,360	289,413	211,863	242,230
Queensland	36,238	18,221	57,396	124,984	76,967
South Australia	22,388	91,925	41,179	45,814	57,725
Western Australia	30,322	45,469	38,549	68,803	75,188
Tasmania	66,602	71,209	52,449	46,595	63,360
Northern Territory	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	1,250
Australian Capital Territory	40	98	1,650	66	1,280
<b>Australia</b>	<b>(b)450,769</b>	<b>(b)772,932</b>	<b>(b)907,374</b>	<b>(b)875,359</b>	<b>754,722</b>

(a) Not collected. (b) Incomplete; see footnotes to individual States.

TABLE 31. FARM STOCKS OF SILAGE, 1967-68 TO 1971-72  
(Tons)

State	At 31 March				
	1968	1969	1970	1971	1972
New South Wales	365,488	393,838	690,892	846,971	734,213
Victoria	82,139	263,190	251,880	222,554	233,808
Queensland	79,461	68,222	73,496	127,574	184,203
South Australia	24,749	80,892	69,075	57,211	76,078
Western Australia	21,460	30,078	19,656	36,944	56,422
Tasmania	54,118	66,596	66,969	68,222	72,183
Northern Territory	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	580
Australian Capital Territory	4	27	1,679	49	725
<b>Australia</b>	<b>(b)627,419</b>	<b>(b)902,843</b>	<b>(b)1,173,647</b>	<b>(b)1,359,525</b>	<b>1,358,812</b>

(a) Not collected. (b) Incomplete; see footnotes to individual States.

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