

PRODUCTION SUMMARY NO. 29

BISCUITS, ICE CREAM, CONFECTIONERY

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The information set out below has been compiled from returns of establishments engaged in your industry and indicates current trends in the production of the commodities listed. The figures for 1955-56 and later periods are subject to revision.

AUSTRALIAN PRODUCTION STATISTICS

| Period                | Biscuits    | Frozen Dairy Foods |            | Confectionery  |             |
|-----------------------|-------------|--------------------|------------|----------------|-------------|
|                       |             | Ice Cream          | Other      | Chocolate Base | Other       |
|                       | Million lb. | '000 gals.         | '000 gals. | Million lb.    | Million lb. |
| Year : 1952-53        | 148.3       | 13,425             | (a)        | 59.0           | 76.6        |
| 1953-54               | 150.5       | 13,678             | 566        | 62.6           | 76.9        |
| 1954-55               | 150.8       | 14,812             | 1,554      | 54.3           | 81.5        |
| 1955-56               | 155.7       | 16,023             | 1,543      | 61.5           | 83.1        |
| Four months ended -   |             |                    |            |                |             |
| October, 1956         | 55.4        | 4,443              | 456        | 23.5           | 31.8        |
| October, 1955         | 54.5        | 4,250              | 455        | 22.5           | 30.2        |
| Month, 1955 : October | 12.5        | 1,363              | 148        | 4.68           | 8.04        |
| November              | 13.2        | 1,634              | 174        | 4.37           | 7.94        |
| December              | 12.3        | 1,934              | 144        | 2.92           | 6.14        |
| 1956 : January        | 9.4         | 1,989              | 168        | 2.87           | 4.50        |
| February              | 12.5        | 1,938              | 156        | 4.44           | 6.72        |
| March                 | 14.0        | 1,618              | 159        | 5.36           | 6.61        |
| April                 | 11.5        | 1,164              | 132        | 5.72           | 6.32        |
| May                   | 14.3        | 890                | 106        | 7.01           | 7.79        |
| June                  | 14.0        | 606                | 49         | 6.28           | 6.84        |
| July                  | 13.5        | 677                | 70         | 6.48           | 7.28        |
| August                | 15.0        | 1,078              | 118        | 6.30           | 8.13        |
| September             | 12.8        | 1,203              | 107        | 5.22           | 7.41        |
| October               | 14.1        | 1,485              | 161        | 5.56           | 8.96        |

(a) Not available.

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