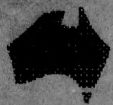
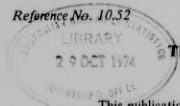


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**THE WHEAT INDUSTRY : ESTIMATES OF AREA SOWN  
SEASON 1974-75**

This publication contains estimates of the area sown to wheat in the major wheat-growing States and Australia during the season 1974-75 compared with areas sown for the four previous seasons. The 1974-75 estimates are broadly based on returns from a selection of growers to whom forms were dispatched in August-September 1974. Statistics of wheat production for the seasons 1970-71 to 1973-74 are also shown.

An estimate of wheat production from the 1974-75 crop will be released at a later date. More detailed statistics of the wheat industry will be published in *The Wheat Industry* 1972-73 and 1973-74 (Reference No. 10.35) due to be released in November.

The seasons listed in this bulletin relate to the year ended 31 March.

**WHEAT : AREA SOWN, AND PRODUCTION**

Season	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Aust. (a)
AREA SOWN - WHEAT, ALL PURPOSES ('000 HECTARES)						
1970-71	2,272	769	367	824	2,393	6,632
1971-72	2,475	1,053	567	1,085	2,068	7,253
1972-73	2,679	1,118	492	1,007	2,472	7,774
1973-74 (b)	2,933	1,273	409	1,449	3,007	9,074
1974-75 (c)	2,765	1,173	520	1,281	3,081	8,825
AREA SOWN - WHEAT, FOR GRAIN ('000 HECTARES)						
1970-71	2,216	760	334	802	2,361	6,478
1971-72	2,426	1,040	556	1,069	2,042	7,138
1972-73	2,618	1,087	471	986	2,437	7,604
1973-74 (b)	2,884	1,262	397	1,432	2,978	8,956
1974-75 (c)	2,695	1,166	510	1,269	3,034	8,676
WHEAT PRODUCTION ('000 TONNES)						
1970-71	3,010	1,004	120	790	2,957	7,890
1971-72	2,410	1,797	722	1,407	2,165	8,510
1972-73	1,954	1,249	405	815	2,003	6,434
1973-74 (b)	3,963	1,596	526	1,795	4,211	12,094
1974-75	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.

(a) Includes Tasmania and Australian Capital Territory. (b) Preliminary, subject to revision. (c) Estimated.

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