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STATISTICAL BULLETIN : THE MEAT INDUSTRY, AUSTRALIA - JULY 1968

The statistics on slaughterings and meat production included in this bulletin are based on a monthly collection from abattoirs and other major slaughtering establishments, and include estimates of animals slaughtered on farms and by country butchers. They relate only to slaughterings for human consumption and do not include animals condemned or those killed for boiling down. Until results of the annual census of all slaughtering establishments are known, monthly details from July 1967 are subject to amendment.

In addition to statistics on slaughterings and meat production, particulars are given in the following tables of bacon and ham and canned meat production, exports of fresh and frozen and processed meat, and stocks of frozen meat.

Table 2 contains seasonally adjusted figures for total meat produced. In the seasonal adjustment, account has been taken not only of normal seasonal factors but also of "trading-day" effects (arising from the varying numbers of Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays, etc., in the month) and the influence of Easter and Australia Day which may, in successive years, affect figures for different months. Details of the methods used in seasonally adjusting this and other series are given in "Seasonally Adjusted Indicators, 1968" issued on 21 May 1968.

SYMBOLS USED IN THIS BULLETIN

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

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TABLE 1. - LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED : AUSTRALIA ('000)

Period	Cattle	Calves	CATTLE & CALVES	Sheep	Lambs	SHEEP & LAMBS	Pigs
Year - 1963-64	4,647.7	1,789.5	6,437.2	18,776.3	14,572.2	33,348.5	2,304.8
1964-65	4,943.1	1,901.1	6,844.2	19,030.5	14,441.1	33,471.6	2,460.9
1965-66	4,611.7	1,711.8	6,323.5	20,933.0	13,626.8	34,559.7	2,768.5
1966-67	4,095.2	1,555.0	5,650.2	17,742.0	14,753.6	32,495.6	2,902.9
1967-68p	4,100.1	1,508.4	5,698.5	22,048.9	15,578.5	37,627.5	3,069.6
1966-67 June	389.6	119.4	509.0	1,494.1	1,146.8	2,641.0	234.0
1967-68p July	363.9	203.5	567.4	1,443.1	1,074.8	2,518.0	238.8
August	347.8	258.7	606.5	1,497.8	1,175.9	2,673.7	252.2
September	345.4	186.5	531.9	1,743.0	1,257.1	3,000.2	249.7
October	349.8	137.5	487.3	2,248.5	1,479.9	3,736.4	266.3
November	354.6	116.8	471.5	2,290.3	1,589.3	3,879.6	277.1
December	312.7	82.7	395.4	2,262.2	1,416.9	3,679.1	269.6
January	302.1	75.3	377.4	2,110.2	1,317.5	3,427.7	230.6
February	342.4	71.7	414.0	2,087.4	1,388.9	3,406.3	243.1
March	368.3	82.1	450.4	2,037.5	1,327.9	3,365.4	260.8
April	347.4	88.0	435.4	1,460.5	1,218.8	2,679.3	257.0
May	389.9	95.2	485.1	1,534.6	1,255.3	2,789.9	271.5
June	365.6	110.6	476.3	1,333.7	1,138.1	2,471.8	252.9
1968-69p July	379.3	197.4	576.7	1,329.7	1,335.0	2,664.7	276.6

TABLE 2. - PRODUCTION OF MEAT (a) : AUSTRALIA (Tons : Carcass weight)

Period	Beef	Veal	BEEF & VEAL	Mutton	Lamb	MUTTON & LAMB	Pigmeat	TOTAL MEAT	
								Original	Seasonally adjusted (b)
Year - 1963-64	932,735	52,763	985,498	360,684	225,042	585,726	111,283	1,682,507	..
1964-65	952,832	57,243	1,010,075	361,306	223,530	584,836	120,226	1,715,137	..
1965-66	880,723	50,661	931,384	389,531	209,297	598,828	133,143	1,663,355	..
1966-67	820,459	44,280	864,739	349,565	237,058	586,623	139,800	1,591,162	..
1967-68p	848,207	46,454	894,661	409,684	239,302	648,986	149,172	1,692,819	..
1966-67 June	78,017	3,485	81,502	28,471	18,300	46,771	11,176	139,449	128,400
1967-68p July	74,938	5,000	79,938	27,140	16,453	43,593	11,884	135,415	136,800
Aug.	72,884	5,875	78,759	28,165	18,040	46,205	12,306	137,270	134,400
Sept.	72,542	4,414	76,956	32,748	19,133	51,881	12,376	141,213	149,100
Oct.	72,260	3,957	76,217	41,864	22,741	64,605	13,151	153,973	159,100
Nov.	72,350	3,929	76,279	42,642	24,055	66,697	13,306	156,282	154,000
Dec.	62,501	3,072	65,573	42,377	21,352	63,729	12,348	141,650	154,300
Jan.	58,992	3,168	62,160	38,903	20,264	59,167	11,104	132,431	142,700
Feb.	67,115	3,259	70,374	38,457	20,224	58,681	11,756	140,811	141,400
Mar.	72,429	3,383	75,812	37,140	20,454	57,594	12,727	146,133	140,800
Apr.	69,079	3,321	72,400	26,868	19,116	45,984	12,476	130,860	132,000
May	78,668	3,633	82,301	28,447	19,623	48,070	13,340	143,711	123,800
June	74,449	3,443	77,892	24,933	17,847	42,780	12,398	133,070	131,000
1968-69p July	80,018	5,080	85,098	25,719	21,173	46,892	13,461	145,451	138,800

(a) Excludes offal. (b) See text on previous page.

TABLE 3. - LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED AND MEAT PRODUCED

State	LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED ( '000)				MEAT PRODUCED (a) (Tons : Carcass weight)			
	Month of -		Year ended -		Month of -		Year ended -	
	July 1967p	July 1968p	June 1967	June 1968p	July 1967p	July 1968p	June 1967	June 1968p
	CATTLE				BEEF			
New South Wales	82.4	80.2	1,008.1	1,039.5	16,241	15,523	193,514	203,344
Victoria	83.7	69.6	1,088.8	1,110.1	16,165	13,203	211,713	213,327
Queensland	133.9	162.0	1,331.3	1,357.2	29,827	37,909	285,106	301,197
South Australia	15.4	11.1	188.0	167.3	2,909	2,193	36,010	30,553
Western Australia	27.8	32.4	283.5	305.3	5,484	6,456	54,122	57,182
Tasmania	8.6	12.1	119.7	125.4	1,714	2,337	23,743	24,470
<u>AUSTRALIA (b)</u>	363.9	379.3	4,095.2	4,190.1	74,938	80,018	820,459	848,207
	CALVES				VEAL			
New South Wales	41.5	47.7	447.0	413.0	1,475	1,817	15,889	17,518
Victoria	108.4	99.1	617.1	621.6	2,014	1,866	13,270	13,914
Queensland	32.0	30.0	345.2	323.4	935	942	10,704	10,229
South Australia	9.6	5.8	76.8	79.5	319	178	2,744	2,864
Western Australia	1.6	1.6	17.2	21.5	66	62	689	904
Tasmania	10.3	13.2	50.8	48.2	189	214	952	961
<u>AUSTRALIA (b)</u>	203.5	197.4	1,555.0	1,508.4	5,000	5,080	44,280	46,454
	CATTLE AND CALVES				BEEF AND VEAL			
New South Wales	123.9	127.9	1,455.1	1,452.5	17,716	17,340	209,403	220,862
Victoria	192.2	168.7	1,706.0	1,731.7	18,179	15,069	224,983	227,241
Queensland	165.9	192.0	1,676.5	1,680.6	30,762	38,851	295,810	311,426
South Australia	25.0	16.9	264.7	246.8	3,228	2,371	38,754	33,417
Western Australia	29.5	33.9	300.8	326.7	5,550	6,518	54,811	58,086
Tasmania	18.9	25.4	170.5	173.5	1,903	2,551	24,695	25,431
<u>AUSTRALIA (b)</u>	567.4	576.7	5,650.2	5,698.5	79,938	85,098	864,739	894,661
	SHEEP				MUTTON			
New South Wales	389.6	483.2	4,438.5	5,841.8	7,105	8,578	82,194	103,407
Victoria	503.1	319.8	7,286.2	8,951.2	9,628	6,516	148,878	167,294
Queensland	158.8	166.2	1,764.4	1,941.0	2,814	3,174	31,997	35,602
South Australia	217.9	143.1	1,979.3	2,511.7	4,204	3,112	41,584	49,044
Western Australia	139.6	165.5	1,676.0	2,152.7	2,710	3,312	32,831	41,772
Tasmania	30.2	48.0	552.2	596.9	608	958	11,232	11,569
<u>AUSTRALIA (b)</u>	1,443.1	1,329.7	17,742.0	22,048.9	27,140	25,719	349,565	409,684
	LAMBS				LAMB			
New South Wales	449.9	576.0	5,550.7	6,074.0	7,202	9,443	91,663	97,341
Victoria	376.8	422.2	5,874.0	5,828.6	5,827	6,597	94,719	88,256
Queensland	36.2	63.4	389.9	532.6	483	951	5,747	7,861
South Australia	102.8	104.0	1,378.4	1,493.4	1,320	1,577	20,892	20,489
Western Australia	71.8	98.7	904.4	1,060.8	1,027	1,469	13,550	15,909
Tasmania	33.2	66.3	606.9	539.3	528	1,065	9,670	8,645
<u>AUSTRALIA (b)</u>	1,074.8	1,335.0	14,753.6	15,578.5	16,453	21,173	237,058	239,302

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TABLE 3. - LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED AND MEAT PRODUCED - continued

State	LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED ( '000)				MEAT PRODUCED (a) (Tons : Carcass weight)			
	Month of -		Year ended -		Month of -		Year ended -	
	July 1967p	July 1968p	June 1967	June 1968p	July 1967p	July 1968p	June 1967	June 1968p
	SHEEP AND LAMBS				MUTTON AND LAMB			
New South Wales	839.5	1,059.2	9,989.2	11,915.8	14,307	18,021	173,857	200,748
Victoria	879.9	742.0	13,160.2	14,779.7	15,455	13,113	243,597	255,550
Queensland	195.0	229.6	2,154.3	2,473.6	3,297	4,125	37,744	43,463
South Australia	320.8	247.1	3,357.7	4,005.1	5,524	4,689	62,476	69,533
Western Australia	211.4	264.2	2,580.4	3,213.4	3,737	4,781	46,381	57,681
Tasmania	63.4	114.3	1,159.1	1,136.2	1,136	2,023	20,902	20,214
<u>AUSTRALIA</u> (b)	2,518.0	2,664.7	32,495.6	37,627.5	43,593	46,892	586,623	648,986
	PIGS				PIGMEAT			
New South Wales	71.0	83.7	849.4	909.5	3,295	3,814	38,283	40,974
Victoria	48.8	59.9	697.6	702.4	2,363	2,811	33,094	34,085
Queensland	60.9	68.2	666.1	753.3	3,252	3,490	33,255	37,937
South Australia	27.0	32.0	316.2	309.0	1,377	1,632	15,947	15,760
Western Australia	20.8	21.6	213.7	240.6	1,130	1,200	11,584	13,100
Tasmania	9.3	10.2	148.9	143.6	425	474	7,164	6,834
<u>AUSTRALIA</u> (b)	238.8	276.6	2,902.9	3,069.6	11,884	13,461	139,800	149,172

(a) Excludes offal. (b) Includes Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory.

TABLE 4. - TOTAL MEAT PRODUCED (a)

(Tons : Carcass weight)

State	Month of -		Year ended -	
	July 1967p	July 1968p	June 1967	June 1968p
New South Wales	35,318	39,175	421,543	462,584
Victoria	35,997	30,993	501,674	516,876
Queensland	37,311	46,466	366,809	392,826
South Australia	10,129	8,692	117,177	118,710
Western Australia	10,417	12,499	112,776	128,867
Tasmania	3,464	5,048	52,761	52,479
<u>AUSTRALIA</u> (b)	135,415	145,451	1,591,162	1,692,819

(a) Excludes offal. (b) Includes Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory.

TABLE 5. - 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)
Year - 1963-64	41,538	44,599	1967-68p October	4,132	4,429
1964-65	43,366	51,597	November	4,597	4,144
1965-66	46,220	50,469	December	5,911	3,135
1966-67	p50,092	48,658	January	3,288	2,591
1967-68p	48,495	47,973	February	3,804	3,590
1966-67 June	p4,082	4,261	March	4,107	4,137
1967-68p July	3,518	4,607	April	3,574	3,693
August	3,787	4,379	May	4,073	4,853
September	3,830	4,554	June	3,874	3,862
			1968-69p July	3,871	4,058

(a) Cured carcass weight of smoked, cooked and canned bacon and ham. (b) Canned weight. Includes bacon, ham and meat and vegetables; excludes rabbit, poultry and baby foods.

TABLE 6. - PRODUCTION OF BACON AND HAM AND CANNED MEAT

(Tons)

State	BACON AND HAM (a) (Cured carcass weight)				CANNED MEAT (b) (Canned weight)			
	Month of -		Year ended -		Month of -		Year ended -	
	July 1967p	July 1968p	June 1967	June 1968p	July 1967p	July 1968p	June 1967	June 1968p
New South Wales	1,067	1,152	15,366	14,782	366	414	4,579	3,455
Victoria	773	794	p9,787	9,271	3,208	2,414	29,895	31,358
Queensland	912	1,117	14,670	14,061	968	1,172	13,397	12,409
South Australia	267	292	4,403	3,932	(c)	(c)	(c)	(c)
Western Australia	413	429	4,624	5,159	(c)	(c)	(c)	(c)
Tasmania	86	87	1,242	1,290	..	..	..	..
<u>AUSTRALIA</u>	3,518	3,871	p50,092	48,495	4,607	4,058	48,658	47,973

(a) Smoked, cooked and canned. (b) Includes bacon, ham and meat and vegetables; excludes rabbit, poultry and baby foods. (c) Not available for publication.

TABLE 7. - EXPORTS OF FRESH AND FROZEN AND PROCESSED MEAT : AUSTRALIA

(Tons)

Period	Fresh and frozen (a)						Bacon and ham (b)	Canned meat (c)
	Beef	Veal	Mutton	Lamb	Pork	Total		
Year - 1963-64	277,060	4,236	66,928	18,574	165	366,963	59	23,973
1964-65	303,566	12,464	72,752	24,166	365	413,313	134	26,978
1965-66	264,888	8,598	78,761	15,882	475	368,604	184	24,837
1966-67	251,041	7,095	79,179	14,805	921	353,041	226	21,210
1967-68p	247,562	4,320	103,840	9,081	553	365,356	219	20,399
1966-67 June	24,517	228	5,317	360	67	30,489	15	2,594
1967-68p July	17,689	307	5,438	453	85	23,972	12	1,075
August	27,435	427	5,201	338	89	33,490	15	1,534
September	20,062	456	4,329	459	58	25,364	20	1,659
October	25,503	730	8,484	777	36	35,530	13	2,820
November	21,778	423	12,662	1,107	39	36,009	32	1,523
December	18,073	263	9,713	1,683	48	29,780	27	1,688
January	19,717	178	10,856	1,444	40	32,235	19	1,206
February	17,335	221	13,206	703	23	31,488	14	2,138
March	18,138	327	10,691	445	18	29,619	14	1,574
April	15,606	345	8,152	752	34	24,889	15	1,194
May	24,704	353	9,625	565	56	35,303	24	2,201
June	21,521	289	5,482	356	27	27,675	15	1,788
1968-69p July	23,338	329	5,888	311	26	29,892	14	1,686

(a) Includes boneless and carcass meat. (b) Cured carcass weight. (c) Canned weight.

TABLE 8. - STOCKS OF FROZEN MEAT : AUSTRALIA (a) (Tons)

(Source : Australian Meat Board)

Stocks at	Beef and veal	Mutton	Lamb	Pork	Offal	Total
1967						
29 April	24,045	7,989	1,799	1,217	6,919	41,969
27 May	26,360	8,831	1,633	1,464	7,269	45,557
24 June	32,773	8,604	1,228	1,286	7,082	50,973
29 July:						
New South Wales	3,700	800	193	448	2,421	7,562
Victoria	4,573	4,571	594	251	2,469	12,458
Queensland	14,035	385	63	104	2,070	16,657
South Australia	320	351	20	130	121	942
Western Australia	2,570	813	96	136	424	4,039
Tasmania	463	317	38	305	148	1,271
Northern Territory	1,186	..	..	..	111	1,297
<u>AUSTRALIA</u>	26,847	7,237	1,004	1,374	7,764	44,226
1968						
27 April	26,992	17,086	2,317	1,737	7,258	55,390
25 May	26,607	14,131	2,041	1,718	7,564	52,061
29 June	26,312	11,117	1,666	2,149	7,656	48,900
27 July:						
New South Wales	3,789	1,552	290	631	2,167	8,429
Victoria	3,914	4,738	778	550	1,688	11,668
Queensland	14,436	921	128	148	2,253	17,886
South Australia	305	221	123	144	134	927
Western Australia	3,027	1,936	317	251	584	6,115
Tasmania	724	442	148	649	194	2,157
Northern Territory	1,058	..	..	..	105	1,163
<u>AUSTRALIA</u>	27,253	9,810	1,784	2,373	7,125	48,345

(a) Held in cold stores registered to handle meat for export, and includes meat passed for (i) export, (ii) canning and (iii) other purposes. Includes boneless and carcass meat.

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