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VALUE OF PRIMARY PRODUCTION, AUSTRALIA, 1965-66 (PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES)

This publication, which is the first of a new series, contains preliminary information on the gross value of primary production in Australia for the year 1965-66, together with comparative figures for earlier years. The figures for the current year have been rounded to \$million, as they are estimates based on early and somewhat incomplete information on trends in production and prices for the year which has just finished. Final estimates in greater detail will be published in the statistical bulletin: Value of Production and Indexes of Price and Quantum of Farm Production, No. 16, 1965-66.

Gross Value of Production is the value placed on recorded production at the wholesale prices realized in the principal markets. In general, these are the metropolitan markets in each State. In cases where primary products are consumed locally, or where they become raw material for a secondary industry, these points are presumed to be the principal market. For further definitions see earlier issues of the bulletin: Value of Production and Indexes of Price and Quantum of Farm Production (e.g. No. 15, 1964-65).

GROSS VALUE OF PRODUCTION, PRIMARY INDUSTRIES : AUSTRALIA  
 (\$'000)

Particulars	1961-62	1962-63	1963-64	1964-65 (a)	1965-66 (b)
Wool	745,108	800,524	1,023,442	840,552	795,000
Other pastoral products (incl. slaughterings)	442,210	509,236	565,114	627,185	621,000
Wheat for grain	372,344	449,064	467,432	517,702	381,000
Sugar cane (cut for crushing)	96,436	128,270	158,546	130,622	114,000
Whole milk	336,734	350,290	366,860	383,348	375,000
Other rural industries	741,038	775,490	843,381	940,438	915,000
<u>Total Rural Industries</u>	2,733,870	3,012,874	3,424,775	3,439,847	3,201,000
Non-Rural Industries (Mining and Quarrying, Forestry, Fishing and Whaling, Trapping)	508,952	526,802	579,492	666,657	716,000
<u>TOTAL PRIMARY INDUSTRIES</u>	3,242,822	3,539,676	4,004,267	4,106,504	3,917,000

(a) Subject to revision. (b) Preliminary estimates.

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