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**MILK STATISTICS APRIL 1977**

This bulletin contains statistics of whole milk production and utilisation compiled mainly from returns of fluid milk supplied to milk authorities for domestic consumption and from details of the actual and derived quantities of milk used in factories in the manufacture of dairy products.

Statistics relating to the production of butter, cheese and processed milk products are published in monthly Production Summaries No. 55 : *Butter and Cheese* (Reference No. 12.16.55) and No. 36 : *Processed Milk Products* (Reference No. 12.16.36) and in *Production of Non-Processed Cheese* (Reference No. 12.31). More comprehensive statistics on whole milk, butter, cheese and processed milk products are contained in the annual bulletin *Dairying and Dairy Products* (Reference No. 10.5).

Table 2 includes seasonally adjusted figures for whole milk produced. In the seasonal adjustment, account has been taken of normal seasonal factors and

of "trading-day" effects because the quantity of milk used for butter and cheese-making is derived from the factory production of butter and cheese. Details of the methods used in seasonally adjusting these and other series are contained in *Seasonally Adjusted Indicators, 1976* (Reference No. 1.10).

All publications produced by the ABS are listed in *Publications of the Australian Bureau of Statistics* (Reference No. 1.8).

**Symbols and other usages**

- p — preliminary, subject to revision.
- ... — nil or less than half the final digit shown or not applicable

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

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**TABLE 1. PRODUCTION OF DAIRY PRODUCTS : AUSTRALIA**

		10 mths ended April		
		1975	1976 p	1977 p
Whole milk used for all purposes	'000 litres	5,909,271	5,802,362	5,263,841
Factory butter	'000 kilograms	152,641	143,325	113,520
Non-processed cheese	'000 kilograms	89,104	105,229	(a)
Processed milk products (Whole milk equivalent)	'000 litres	576,038	573,382	700,933
Whole milk used for other purposes (b)	'000 litres	1,326,544	1,286,447	1,302,520

(a) Not yet available. (b) Principally fluid milk for domestic purposes.

TABLE 2. WHOLE MILK PRODUCTION AND UTILISATION: AUSTRALIA  
(000 litres)

	Quantity of whole milk used for -				Total whole milk produced	
	Factory butter	Non-processed cheese	Processed milk products (a)	Other purposes (b)	Original	Seus. adj.
Year -						
1973-74	3,623,895	889,160	535,367	1,707,094	6,755,515	..
1974-75	3,344,727	936,464	626,562	1,589,042	6,496,795	..
1975-76p	3,036,979	1,061,680	614,991	1,541,902	6,255,552	..
1975-76p -						
March	156,070	63,440	40,972	131,876	392,357	482,800
April	91,322	45,848	30,658	125,411	293,239	457,400
May	46,369	32,646	20,562	129,539	229,116	422,300
June	46,397	30,713	21,048	125,917	224,074	429,200
1976-77p -						
July	81,583	42,903	38,802	130,612	293,899	439,500
August	170,316	75,121	55,637	129,440	430,514	446,000
September	259,014	103,308	83,159	128,233	573,714	467,200
October	359,379	128,443	102,693	132,541	723,055	483,500
November	403,628	137,815	99,611	129,215	770,269	497,300
December	355,132	125,491	110,888	133,105	724,615	494,300
January	278,403	108,945	71,814	131,086	590,248	487,000
February	178,788	79,029	57,498	125,445	440,760	491,700
March	161,758	64,135	48,891	134,144	408,929	509,900
April	98,215	48,983	31,941	128,699	307,839	480,000
10 mths ended Apr. - 1976p	2,944,214	998,320	573,382	1,286,447	5,802,362	..
- 1977p	2,346,215	914,173	700,933	1,302,520	5,263,841	..

(a) Quantities of milk used to produce two or more products (for example, initially as full cream milk and subsequently as skim milk) are counted once only. (b) Principally fluid milk for domestic purposes.

TABLE 3. WHOLE MILK USED FOR ALL PURPOSES  
(000 litres)

	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (a)
Year -							
1973-74	1,068,826	3,916,529	665,202	438,829	241,157	421,813	6,755,515
1974-75	958,254	3,744,632	658,243	426,371	245,895	460,521	6,496,795
1975-76p	979,948	3,516,234	682,705	397,500	241,103	435,086	6,255,552
1975-76p -							
March	78,390	194,580	55,346	21,540	12,102	30,194	392,357
April	68,585	124,331	47,401	20,407	11,198	21,134	293,239
May	65,867	69,079	43,401	23,648	15,254	11,691	229,116
June	63,737	66,049	42,509	25,420	19,356	6,862	224,074
1976-77p -							
July	67,208	122,878	43,280	28,254	21,678	10,486	293,899
August	75,547	232,235	45,654	30,930	22,827	23,161	430,514
September	82,622	344,014	47,287	36,284	25,033	38,297	573,714
October	95,106	453,295	53,721	43,086	25,282	52,356	723,055
November	97,704	487,252	62,309	43,008	22,911	56,902	770,269
December	93,492	449,814	65,528	37,082	21,024	57,536	724,615
January	82,258	356,338	57,452	28,378	15,389	50,279	590,248
February	73,124	246,703	47,490	21,210	11,233	40,892	440,760
March	76,802	212,417	52,378	18,689	11,633	36,906	408,929
April	69,018	135,130	44,799	18,843	10,751	29,206	307,839
10 mths ended Apr. - 1976p	850,344	3,381,105	596,795	348,432	206,493	416,533	5,802,362
- 1977p	812,881	3,040,076	519,899	305,763	187,760	396,021	5,263,841

(a) Includes estimates of production in the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory.

TABLE 4. WHOLE MILK USED FOR THE PRODUCTION OF BUTTER AND NON-PROCESSED CHEESE ('000 litres)

	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
<b>BUTTER</b>							
Year -							
1973-74	282,571	2,652,686	231,723	100,993	103,155	252,766	3,623,895
1974-75	261,837	2,435,763	207,485	88,967	102,600	248,075	3,344,727
1975-76p	270,936	2,190,817	199,216	64,620	92,597	218,793	3,036,979
1975-76p -							
March	19,341	102,351	16,078	3,820	1,033	13,446	156,070
April	13,829	51,709	12,198	3,683	786	9,116	91,322
May	10,498	14,474	9,203	3,698	3,290	5,207	46,369
June	11,184	15,448	7,833	4,068	6,383	1,481	46,397
1976-77p -							
July	11,847	47,124	7,089	4,841	8,219	2,462	81,583
August	16,002	122,234	8,130	4,644	9,824	9,482	170,316
September	22,547	194,879	8,279	5,407	11,619	16,283	259,014
October	29,791	274,027	10,786	8,078	11,924	24,772	359,379
November	33,907	305,064	17,096	7,717	10,033	29,812	403,628
December	28,493	265,494	19,954	5,526	7,650	28,015	355,132
January	18,070	210,381	15,861	3,282	3,686	27,123	278,403
February	16,711	128,472	10,695	2,638	715	19,557	178,788
March	16,723	111,008	12,974	3,052	1,536	16,465	161,758
April	13,244	58,814	9,314	3,007	189	13,646	98,215
10 mths ended Apr. - 1976p	249,255	2,160,895	182,180	56,854	82,924	212,105	2,944,214
- 1977p	207,336	1,717,499	120,178	48,192	65,394	187,617	2,346,215
<b>NON-PROCESSED CHEESE</b>							
Year -							
1973-74	74,577	433,675	88,321	190,465	17,460	84,661	889,160
1974-75	77,007	420,693	98,850	194,335	21,798	123,781	936,464
1975-76p	98,030	491,258	121,552	192,166	25,468	133,206	1,061,680
1975-76p -							
March	8,172	30,601	10,322	5,362	573	8,410	63,440
April	7,204	20,488	7,517	5,249	126	5,264	45,848
May	6,095	8,979	6,015	8,279	1,620	1,658	32,646
June	4,957	7,001	6,095	9,694	2,783	183	30,713
1976-77p -							
July	3,952	17,401	6,183	11,625	2,686	1,056	42,903
August	5,334	39,225	7,189	14,860	2,746	5,768	75,121
September	6,675	54,488	8,446	19,386	3,254	11,060	103,308
October	7,543	66,437	10,966	23,375	2,876	17,246	128,443
November	8,283	71,233	12,877	23,749	2,568	19,106	137,815
December	8,274	64,580	12,509	19,666	2,409	18,053	125,491
January	7,680	60,706	10,160	13,594	1,276	15,529	108,945
February	4,670	45,275	8,069	7,094	416	13,505	79,029
March	5,542	33,458	9,131	3,126	136	12,742	64,135
April	5,026	21,959	7,673	4,209	19	10,098	48,983
10 mths ended Apr. - 1976p	86,977	475,278	109,442	174,194	21,064	131,365	998,320
- 1977p	62,978	474,761	93,203	140,682	18,385	124,163	914,173

**TABLE 5. WHOLE MILK USED FOR PROCESSED MILK PRODUCTS (a)**  
 ('000 litres)

	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
Year -							
1973-74	110,504	342,568	(b)	5,434	4,995	(b)	535,367
1974-75	66,819	415,585	(b)	6,287	5,856	(b)	626,562
1975-76p	58,073	395,385	(b)	5,472	5,562	(b)	614,991
1975-76p -							
March	3,303	23,094	(b)	604	498	(b)	40,972
April	3,001	15,275	(b)	326	445	(b)	30,658
May	2,446	7,631	(b)	318	464	(b)	20,562
June	3,039	6,668	(b)	389	595	(b)	21,048
1976-77p -							
July	4,573	21,520	(b)	212	560	(b)	38,802
August	7,054	34,269	(b)	297	378	(b)	55,637
September	6,895	58,589	(b)	341	384	(b)	83,159
October	8,645	76,084	(b)	290	388	(b)	102,693
November	8,142	75,064	(b)	460	413	(b)	99,611
December	6,538	83,667	(b)	548	415	(b)	110,888
January	7,176	49,594	(b)	525	390	(b)	71,814
February	5,987	38,272	(b)	613	415	(b)	57,498
March	5,769	29,763	(b)	525	403	(b)	48,891
April	3,710	19,016	(b)	381	286	(b)	31,941
10 mths ended Apr. - 1976p	52,587	381,086	(b)	4,765	4,503	(b)	573,382
- 1977p	64,490	485,837	(b)	4,192	4,032	(b)	700,933

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**TABLE 6. WHOLE MILK USED FOR OTHER PURPOSES (a)**  
 ('000 litres)

	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (b)
Year -							
1973-74	601,174	487,599	(c)	141,936	115,547	(c)	1,707,094
1974-75	552,591	472,591	(c)	136,783	115,641	(c)	1,589,042
1975-76p	552,910	438,774	(c)	135,243	117,476	(c)	1,541,902
1975-76p -							
March	47,574	38,534	(c)	11,754	9,997	(c)	131,876
April	44,550	36,860	(c)	11,149	9,841	(c)	125,411
May	46,828	37,996	(c)	11,353	9,880	(c)	129,539
June	44,557	36,932	(c)	11,270	9,594	(c)	125,917
1976-77p -							
July	46,835	36,833	(c)	11,576	10,213	(c)	130,612
August	47,157	36,508	(c)	11,129	9,879	(c)	129,440
September	46,505	36,058	(c)	11,150	9,776	(c)	128,233
October	49,127	36,747	(c)	11,343	10,093	(c)	132,541
November	47,373	35,891	(c)	11,083	9,898	(c)	129,215
December	50,187	36,073	(c)	11,341	10,550	(c)	133,105
January	49,332	35,657	(c)	10,978	10,038	(c)	131,086
February	45,756	34,683	(c)	10,866	9,686	(c)	125,445
March	48,767	38,189	(c)	11,986	9,559	(c)	134,146
April	47,039	35,341	(c)	11,246	10,257	(c)	128,680
10 mths ended Apr. - 1976p	461,525	363,846	(c)	112,619	98,002	(c)	1,286,447
- 1977p	478,078	361,978	(c)	112,697	99,949	(c)	1,302,520

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