

**LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS, AUSTRALIA
OCTOBER 1994**

MAIN FEATURES

The following table summarises movements in livestock slaughterings, in original terms.

	Livestock Slaughterings	
	Percentage change, October 1994 on	
	September 1994	October 1993
Bulls, bullocks and steers	-5.3	0.1
Cows and heifers	-10.3	-2.8
Calves	-36.4	51.7
Sheep	2.4	2.1
Lambs	-7.1	-3.2
Pigs	-4.9	-2.8

Red Meat

The trend estimate for red meat for October 1994 rose for the third consecutive month, following the last trough in July. The October estimate is 1.4 per cent below the March 1994 peak. There was an increase in the trend estimates for all categories of red meat production except lamb which continued to fall, following the peak which occurred in May 1994. The trend estimate for beef rose for the fourth consecutive month and was at the same level as the estimate for January 1994.

Chicken Meat

The trend estimate for chicken meat production fell 0.4 per cent in October 1994, continuing the decline that commenced in June 1994. However, the October 1994 trend estimate was 3.4 per cent higher than the estimate for October 1993.

Whole Milk Intake

The trend estimate of 695 million litres for whole milk intake for September 1994 fell for the fourth consecutive month having peaked at 718 million litres in April and May 1994. The trend estimate for September 1994 was 8.6 per cent higher than the trend estimate for September 1993.

Wool Receivals by Brokers and Dealers

The trend estimate for wool receivals by brokers and dealers in October 1994 fell by 3.5 per cent and continues the decline of the previous six months. The trend estimate for October 1994 was 17.8 per cent below the March 1994 peak.

Live Sheep Exports

The number of live sheep exported in September 1994 was 313,500, down 4.1 per cent from August. The unit value per sheep exported, (\$30.19) fell 6.8 per cent when compared with the unit value for August.

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TABLE 1. NUMBERS OF LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED
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	NSW	Vic	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	Aust.	% Change 1994-95 on 1993-94
BULLS, BULLOCKS AND STEERS (a)								
1991-92	1,101.1	798.7	1,680.3	253.0	246.0	104.7	4,263.2	..
1992-93	1,072.7	778.3	1,713.1	258.6	271.9	99.0	4,256.4	..
1993-94	1,008.5	772.0	1,700.5	199.0	271.2	101.8	4,070.0	..
<i>1993-94</i>								
August	90.2	54.9	170.8	13.2	22.9	6.2	360.3	..
September	93.4	51.6	168.9	21.1	30.1	6.0	373.5	..
October	85.4	54.6	172.9	19.6	26.5	7.7	368.1	..
<i>1994-95 p --</i>								
August	98.0	54.7	155.5	12.0	19.5	5.9	347.5	-3.6
September	103.1	60.9	177.9	17.8	21.1	6.3	389.0	4.1
October	95.7	64.9	152.8	24.4	22.8	6.2	368.3	0.1
<i>4 months ended October</i>								
1993	355.5	221.3	684.3	66.9	102.9	28.8	1,470.9	..
1994 p	381.4	234.0	635.2	61.7	79.2	24.8	1,423.2	-3.2
COWS AND HEIFERS (a)								
1991-92	976.4	788.8	1,119.1	142.8	177.8	93.6	3,386.8	..
1992-93	985.5	587.5	1,138.3	149.7	180.5	90.4	3,186.2	..
1993-94	979.4	622.0	1,081.4	201.4	167.6	85.2	3,220.1	..
<i>1993-94</i>								
August	81.7	41.2	98.1	16.3	11.2	4.5	261.0	..
September	83.2	47.2	92.5	18.6	15.9	5.1	275.2	..
October	81.4	50.0	86.1	17.0	14.7	6.4	266.2	..
<i>1994-95 p</i>								
August	83.1	49.2	109.6	15.2	14.4	4.3	287.4	10.1
September	83.8	61.3	93.4	17.0	16.8	5.7	288.7	4.9
October	86.9	60.3	72.7	11.9	15.1	6.9	258.9	2.8
<i>4 months ended October</i>								
1993	334.2	184.3	381.1	69.4	55.5	23.5	1,086.0	..
1994 p	319.1	220.9	383.9	53.6	58.7	22.3	1,094.5	0.8
TOTAL CATTLE (excludes calves) (a)								
1991-92	2,077.4	1,587.5	2,799.5	395.8	423.8	198.3	7,649.9	..
1992-93	2,058.1	1,365.8	2,851.5	408.3	452.3	189.4	7,442.6	..
1993-94	1,987.9	1,393.9	2,781.8	400.3	438.8	187.0	7,290.1	..
<i>1993-94</i>								
August	171.8	96.1	268.9	29.5	34.1	10.6	621.4	..
September	176.5	98.8	261.4	39.7	46.0	11.0	648.7	..
October	166.9	104.6	259.0	36.5	41.1	14.1	634.4	..
<i>1994-95 p --</i>								
August	181.1	103.9	265.1	27.2	34.0	10.3	634.9	2.2
September	186.9	122.2	271.3	34.8	37.9	12.0	677.6	4.5
October	182.6	125.1	225.6	36.3	37.9	13.1	627.2	-1.1
<i>4 months ended October</i>								
1993	689.7	405.6	1,065.4	136.3	158.4	52.3	2,556.9	..
1994 p	700.5	454.9	1,019.1	115.2	137.9	47.1	2,517.7	-1.5
CALVES								
1991-92	220.8	639.3	156.8	9.4	7.2	32.3	1,066.4	..
1992-93	224.2	608.5	153.8	9.2	4.6	32.7	1,034.1	..
1993-94	221.4	583.4	148.7	8.8	4.4	23.2	991.6	..
<i>1993-94</i>								
August	20.2	149.2	12.8	1.3	0.4	7.5	191.4	..
September	19.0	111.4	13.8	1.0	0.4	10.8	156.8	..
October	16.1	38.3	11.7	0.6	0.4	2.7	69.9	..

TABLE 1. NUMBERS OF LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED—*continued*
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	NSW	Vic.	Qld.	SA	WA	Tas.	Aust.	% Change 1994-95 on 1993-94
<i>CALVES—continued</i>								
<i>1994-95 p</i>								
August	25.6	170.0	9.6	1.2	0.5	8.4	215.4	12.5
September	21.7	121.7	9.9	1.3	0.5	11.6	166.9	6.5
October	22.7	69.4	9.4	1.1	0.3	2.9	106.1	51.7
<i>4 months ended October</i>								
1993	75.5	378.5	53.4	3.8	1.6	22.1	535.8	..
1994 p	89.0	440.9	39.1	4.3	1.6	24.3	599.9	12.0
<i>SHEEP</i>								
1991-92	6,090.3	4,154.1	1,633.8	3,238.1	3,016.7	446.7	18,771.9	..
1992-93	5,233.6	3,722.6	1,389.2	2,769.7	3,752.3	473.4	17,525.0	..
1993-94	6,066.9	3,975.9	856.6	3,078.3	2,952.2	526.1	17,641.0	..
<i>1993-94</i>								
August	459.8	228.5	55.3	213.9	222.6	18.5	1,210.5	..
September	511.5	256.7	82.5	338.8	285.2	30.9	1,523.6	..
October	512.3	284.4	79.2	328.3	296.2	31.1	1,544.3	..
<i>1994-95 p—</i>								
August	504.7	202.8	55.0	166.5	165.3	20.9	1,130.0	-6.7
September	645.9	246.5	49.5	346.6	198.9	39.4	1,540.0	1.1
October	637.8	327.0	45.0	303.6	214.2	36.2	1,576.6	2.1
<i>4 months ended October</i>								
1993	1,932.2	1,108.0	313.5	1,043.6	983.1	115.2	5,554.7	..
1994 p	2,260.6	963.9	204.9	942.7	749.4	128.1	5,301.5	-4.6
<i>LAMBS</i>								
1991-92	4,683.7	6,320.8	1,016.1	1,631.0	1,238.3	489.8	15,766.9	..
1992-93	4,140.2	6,288.1	648.0	2,062.3	1,480.8	456.5	15,434.9	..
1993-94	3,991.7	5,600.8	669.6	2,363.8	1,553.2	437.8	14,967.2	..
<i>1993-94</i>								
August	335.1	381.8	52.1	124.1	154.8	25.2	1,095.6	..
September	344.2	426.5	63.8	176.2	184.0	27.7	1,252.4	..
October	333.7	458.3	68.3	202.3	228.5	30.0	1,347.5	..
<i>1994-95 p—</i>								
August	485.6	568.8	49.6	168.9	90.4	36.9	1,442.2	31.6
September	337.9	574.9	42.5	208.7	167.9	37.2	1,403.3	12.1
October	322.0	581.8	31.8	142.1	163.1	30.4	1,304.3	-3.2
<i>4 months ended October</i>								
1993	1,357.2	1,692.6	232.8	638.8	669.9	116.0	4,815.9	..
1994 p	1,529.9	2,233.0	174.4	679.9	480.4	143.8	5,381.0	11.7
<i>PIGS</i>								
1991-92	1,546.0	1,211.4	1,156.1	523.9	526.2	84.8	5,132.4	..
1992-93	1,480.5	1,070.8	1,155.3	568.2	567.6	92.5	5,031.7	..
1993-94	1,490.9	1,188.5	1,207.9	562.1	550.4	95.8	5,190.2	..
<i>1993-94</i>								
August	115.4	103.6	98.0	56.0	38.7	6.9	426.9	..
September	127.8	104.1	106.0	49.4	48.8	8.1	453.4	..
October	112.0	101.8	92.9	46.5	45.1	6.4	412.0	..
<i>1994-95 p—</i>								
August	134.5	99.1	96.1	46.2	49.8	7.2	442.3	3.6
September	111.9	110.1	99.5	36.8	47.4	7.9	421.1	-7.1
October	121.4	101.6	94.3	20.3	48.0	6.7	400.3	2.8
<i>4 months ended October</i>								
1993	479.5	415.5	391.6	201.3	179.9	30.2	1,731.0	..
1994 p	478.2	402.5	387.1	142.2	194.2	29.4	1,668.6	-3.6

(a) Domesticated buffaloes slaughtered in the Northern Territory are included in Australian totals.

TABLE 2. RED MEAT PRODUCED (a)
(Tonnes carcass weight)

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	Aust.	% Change 1994-95 on 1993-94	Seas- onally adjusted	Trend estimate(b)
BEEF (c)										
1991-92	451,417	327,830	717,477	90,661	91,327	45,266	1,752,755	..	..	..
1992-93	472,313	299,907	753,477	96,338	100,196	44,925	1,786,860	..	..	..
1993-94	466,387	315,279	742,701	94,395	101,513	47,458	1,786,224	..	..	..
<i>1993-94</i>										
August	45,196	20,159	70,383	6,424	7,687	2,566	154,156	..	154,753	149,704
September	40,646	21,089	69,079	9,437	10,485	2,621	155,811	..	143,944	148,698
October	34,081	23,355	69,228	8,699	9,310	3,520	150,122	..	146,699	148,076
<i>1994-95p</i>										
August	42,664	20,893	70,400	6,061	7,592	2,449	152,399	-1.1	142,202	146,978
September	43,695	25,307	75,101	8,132	8,459	2,824	165,900	6.5	157,398	148,879
October	42,071	27,899	60,905	8,284	8,764	3,160	152,306	1.5	153,449	150,625
<i>4 Months ended</i>										
<i>October</i>										
1993	159,226	87,268	280,789	31,701	35,879	12,787	615,642	..	..	..
1994 p	164,279	97,426	276,066	26,270	30,927	11,221	613,838	-0.3	..	..
VEAL										
1991-92	14,353	15,398	6,737	439	478	665	38,115	..	..	..
1992-93	15,448	14,948	7,179	320	303	692	38,954	..	..	..
1993-94	17,551	13,466	6,352	302	296	515	38,581	..	..	..
<i>1993-94</i>										
August	1,604	2,985	613	39	26	161	5,432	..	3,205	3,261
September	1,538	2,276	607	32	29	235	4,735	..	3,069	3,137
October	1,284	745	518	21	25	60	2,664	..	2,707	3,123
<i>1994-95p —</i>										
August	1,692	3,375	442	42	31	207	5,799	6.8	3,206	3,326
September	1,371	2,721	413	55	31	424	5,025	6.1	3,395	3,384
October	1,378	1,502	382	39	22	125	3,456	29.7	3,508	3,439
<i>4 Months ended</i>										
<i>October —</i>										
1993	6,249	7,759	2,413	121	107	478	17,167	..	..	..
1994 p	5,893	9,457	1,665	162	109	796	18,117	5.5	..	..
MUTTON										
1991-92	127,007	87,169	32,519	72,578	60,610	8,355	392,220	..	..	..
1992-93	105,819	81,907	26,656	65,689	76,921	8,949	369,953	..	..	..
1993-94	127,582	85,010	17,326	71,354	61,731	9,992	376,764	..	..	..
<i>1993-94</i>										
August	9,797	4,772	1,105	4,914	4,555	343	25,714	..	33,772	34,546
September	10,998	5,436	1,682	8,002	6,040	570	33,078	..	34,814	33,498
October	10,975	6,149	1,678	7,776	6,204	577	33,623	..	30,445	32,494
<i>1994-95p —</i>										
August	10,049	3,840	835	3,538	3,260	415	22,244	13.5	27,504	30,249
September	12,982	5,026	979	7,529	4,029	773	31,566	-4.6	33,771	30,342
October	12,939	6,775	917	6,603	4,042	723	32,293	-4.0	29,718	30,368
<i>4 Months ended</i>										
<i>October —</i>										
1993	41,455	23,558	6,286	24,518	20,371	2,132	119,506	..	..	..
1994 p	45,810	19,628	3,838	20,422	14,614	2,538	107,925	-9.7	..	..
LAMB										
1991-92	82,744	111,323	16,812	29,941	19,360	8,070	274,671	..	..	..
1992-93	72,608	113,220	10,570	39,334	23,395	7,456	273,424	..	..	..
1993-94	69,246	101,386	11,072	45,199	24,936	7,047	265,424	..	..	..
<i>1993-94</i>										
August	5,945	6,627	840	2,218	2,458	401	18,886	..	19,699	20,377
September	6,050	7,497	1,068	3,084	2,955	441	21,638	..	19,172	20,001
October	5,586	8,199	1,130	3,616	3,774	479	23,276	..	20,245	20,128

TABLE 2. RED MEAT PRODUCED (a) — continued
(Tonnes carcass weight)

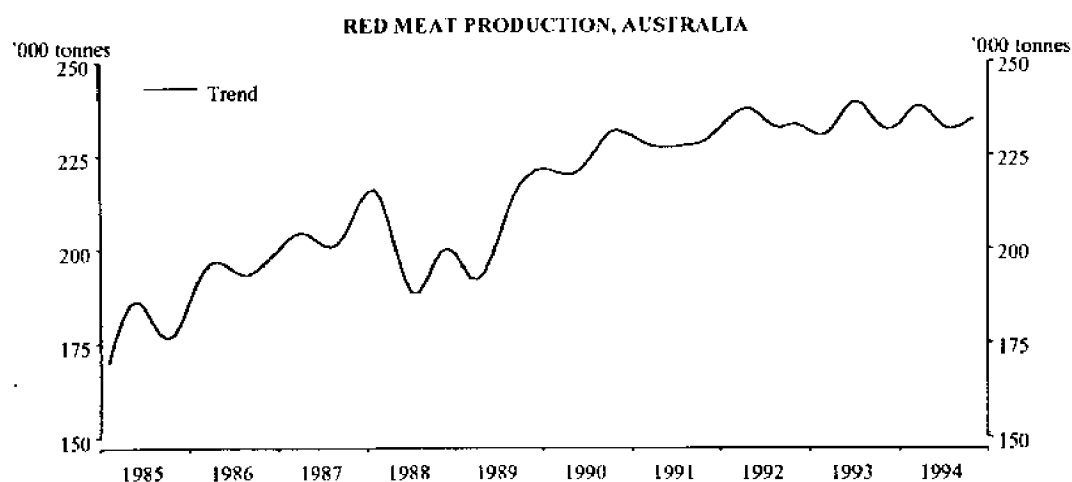
	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	Aust.	% Change 1994-95 on 1993-94	Seas- onally adjusted	Trend estimate(b)
LAMB — continued										
<i>1994-95p —</i>										
August	9,004	9,726	764	3,272	1,408	686	25,601	35.6	25,594	23,746
September	6,022	9,785	723	3,934	2,589	386	24,351	12.5	22,216	22,910
October	5,670	10,295	535	2,509	2,499	565	22,651	2.7	19,605	22,026
<i>4 Months ended</i>										
<i>October</i>										
1993	22,933	30,036	3,827	11,448	10,821	1,851	82,922	..	..	..
1994 p	27,612	38,994	2,872	12,874	7,430	2,352	94,975	14.5	..	..
PIGMEAT										
1991-92	98,791	82,178	79,013	34,538	30,967	5,168	335,785	..	..	..
1992-93	94,760	70,535	79,749	38,153	33,562	5,749	328,317	..	..	..
1993-94	98,606	78,488	84,553	38,394	32,423	6,019	344,260	..	..	..
<i>1993-94</i>										
August	7,520	6,826	7,008	3,613	2,333	417	28,230	..	28,170	28,168
September	8,446	7,024	7,543	3,430	2,905	493	30,412	..	28,762	28,174
October	7,369	6,060	6,522	3,151	2,656	384	26,593	..	28,046	28,179
<i>1994-95p</i>										
August	8,460	6,814	6,766	3,104	2,956	514	29,177	3.4	27,908	28,128
September	7,430	7,379	6,935	2,550	2,846	549	28,274	-7.0	27,082	28,134
October	8,608	7,165	6,881	1,654	2,882	474	28,176	6.0	30,038	28,280
<i>4 Months ended</i>										
<i>October</i>										
1993	31,332	26,975	27,729	13,439	10,754	1,840	114,101	..	..	..
1994 p	31,894	27,647	27,566	10,095	11,580	1,871	112,834	-1.1	..	..
TOTAL RED MEAT (c)										
1991-92	774,313	623,897	852,558	228,156	202,741	67,524	2,793,545	..	..	..
1992-93	760,949	580,516	877,632	239,833	234,378	67,770	2,797,507	..	..	..
1993-94	779,374	593,630	862,003	249,644	220,899	71,031	2,811,254	..	..	..
<i>1993-94</i>										
August	70,062	41,369	79,948	17,208	17,059	3,888	232,417	..	239,599	236,056
September	67,678	43,323	79,980	23,986	22,413	4,359	245,675	..	229,761	233,509
October	59,296	44,508	79,076	23,263	21,970	5,020	236,279	..	228,141	231,999
<i>1994-95p</i>										
August	71,869	44,648	79,208	16,016	15,247	4,272	235,220	1.2	226,414	232,428
September	71,500	50,217	84,151	22,201	17,955	4,955	255,116	3.8	243,862	233,649
October	70,665	53,636	69,619	19,088	18,209	5,047	238,882	1.1	236,319	234,738
<i>4 Months ended</i>										
<i>October</i>										
1993	261,195	175,596	321,044	81,227	77,932	19,088	949,338	..	..	..
1994 p	275,488	193,154	312,007	69,822	64,660	18,779	947,688	-0.2	..	..

(a) Red meat is shown in carcass weight and excludes offal. (b) Trend estimates for the most recent months are subject to revision when data for subsequent months become available. (c) Buffalo meat produced in the Northern Territory is included in Australian totals.

TABLE 3. RED MEAT PRODUCED(a) — SUMMARY OF TREND ESTIMATES(b)

	Beef(c)	Veal	Mutton	Lamb	Pigmeat	Total
<i>1993-94 p</i>						
August	149,704	3,261	34,546	20,377	28,168	236,056
September	148,698	3,137	33,498	20,001	28,174	233,509
October	148,076	3,123	32,494	20,128	28,179	231,999
November	148,098	3,203	31,580	20,704	28,252	231,837
December	149,199	3,305	30,848	21,550	28,423	233,325
January	150,821	3,368	30,386	22,448	28,725	235,747
February	152,009	3,350	30,236	23,218	29,051	237,865
March	151,547	3,276	30,159	23,901	29,273	238,156
April	149,551	3,187	30,119	24,522	29,223	236,602
May	147,269	3,143	30,101	24,884	28,921	234,318
June	145,745	3,177	30,165	24,842	28,546	232,475
<i>1994-95 p</i>						
July	145,764	3,257	30,213	24,422	28,259	231,915
August	146,978	3,326	30,249	23,746	28,128	232,428
September	148,879	3,384	30,342	22,910	28,134	233,649
October	150,625	3,439	30,368	22,026	28,280	234,738

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RELIABILITY OF OCTOBER TREND ESTIMATES FOR PRODUCTION OF RED MEAT

Readers should exercise care in the interpretation of trend data as the last six observations, in particular, are likely to be revised with either revisions to the underlying data or the addition of data for the month of November.

The table below shows, for red meat production for the six months ended October:

* trend estimates as published

* trend estimates assuming an increase in seasonally adjusted data for November of 3% on the October figure

* trend estimates assuming a decrease in seasonally adjusted data for November of 3% on the October figure

The percentage change of 3% was chosen because the average absolute monthly percentage change in the seasonally adjusted data since the inception of the series has been 3.21%.

1994	Trend as published	Trend change with seasonally adjusted November estimate	
		+3%	-3%
May	234,318	234,138	234,431
June	232,475	232,144	232,660
July	231,915	231,716	231,973
August	232,428	232,917	232,237
September	233,649	235,045	232,798
October	234,738	237,522	233,288
November	---	239,954	233,565

TABLE 4. STOCKS OF FROZEN MEAT(a), AUSTRALIA
(Source: Australian Meat and Livestock Corporation)
(tonnes)

At last Saturday of	Beef(b) and veal	Mutton	Lamb	Pork	Goat	Offal	Total
<i>1993 —</i>							
July	46,832	20,460	4,672	2,345	847	9,987	85,143
August	47,140	18,825	4,350	1,763	805	10,330	83,213
September	38,308	18,651	4,854	1,555	797	10,159	74,324
<i>1994p —</i>							
July	27,961	5,325	3,450	1,982	258	7,569	46,545
August	28,801	5,557	3,218	1,852	197	7,618	47,243
September	31,975	5,990	3,497	2,217	188	7,827	51,694

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

(b) Includes lamb and mutton.

TABLE 5. EXPORTS OF LIVE SHEEP (a), AUSTRALIA

	Number (^{'000})	Gross Weight (^{'000} tonnes)	Gross Value (^{\$} '000)	Unit Value(b) (^{\$})
1991-92	4,395.6	258.0	87,717	19.96
1992-93	5,097.1	270.5	121,934	23.92
1993-94p	5,424.2	287.1	148,476	27.37
<i>1993-94</i>				
July	389.0	20.3	8,933	22.97
August	503.0	26.9	12,535	24.80
September	418.7	21.9	10,377	24.77
October	393.0	21.3	9,792	25.51
November	427.7	22.2	11,233	26.26
December	555.4	30.0	16,345	29.77
January	394.9	21.0	11,148	28.23
February	569.8	31.4	16,580	29.10
March	470.3	25.0	12,277	26.10
April	515.3	27.1	14,665	28.46
May	211.8	10.3	6,499	31.05
June	575.4	29.6	15,968	27.75
<i>1994-95p-</i>				
July	531.2	26.3	16,998	32.00
August	327.0	16.2	10,591	32.38
September	313.5	15.8	9,466	30.19
<i>Three months ending September</i>				
1993	1,310.7	68.8	33,221	25.34
1994	1,171.8	58.3	37,054	31.62

(a) Excludes sheep for breeding. (b) Obtained by dividing total gross value by the number of sheep exported.
(c) See paragraph 2 of Explanatory Notes.

TABLE 6. EXPORTS OF FRESH, FROZEN AND PROCESSED MEAT(a), AUSTRALIA
(tonnes)

	Fresh, chilled or frozen										Canned meat(e)
	Beef(b)(c)		Veal(b)		Mutton(b)		Lamb(b)		Pork	Bacon and ham(d)	
	Bone-in	Bone-out	Bone-in	Bone-out	Bone-in	Bone-out	Bone-in	Bone-out			
1991-92f	99,972	691,542	1,536	5,703	103,703	74,993	39,410	4,587	5,038	46	7,318
1992-93	80,980	739,772	2,087	5,361	83,195	77,374	46,681	5,537	6,974	128	7,270
1993-94p	62,612	740,925	1,342	5,827	97,735	70,843	52,740	5,221	5,829	203	10,144
<i>1993 -</i>											
June	4,733	65,402	84	274	8,134	6,259	4,737	452	606	3	752
July	6,573	71,879	116	400	7,582	5,500	3,308	439	738	53	720
August	7,540	59,134	136	748	4,307	8,312	3,755	366	605	51	604
<i>1994p -</i>											
June	3,098	60,418	112	452	7,328	5,036	4,603	499	422	2	832
July	3,507	61,079	117	784	5,985	4,071	6,104	398	666	3	809
August	4,382	58,973	202	850	6,311	4,011	4,184	390	571	9	547

(a) Excludes offal. (b) Factors can be applied to beef, veal, mutton and lamb bone-out figures to derive bone-in carcass weight which, when added to bone-in figures, shows total exports in carcass weight. The factor for beef and veal is 1.5 and for mutton and lamb is 2.0 (Source: Australian Meat and Livestock Corporation). (c) Includes buffalo meat. (d) Cured carcass weight of smoked or cooked bacon and ham. Includes stated net weight of packs of canned bacon and ham. (e) Canned weight. Excludes canned bacon and ham. (f) See paragraph 2 of explanatory notes.

TABLE 7. CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED (a)
(^{'000})

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Aust.(b)
1991-92	114,720.8	73,921.0	49,344.7	26,416.3	29,104.4	293,507.2
1992-93	117,085.9	78,614.7	52,454.7	25,396.6	30,575.8	304,127.8
1993-94p	129,735.5	85,797.9	54,133.1	28,376.4	31,481.8	329,524.7
<i>1993-94p</i>						
August	9,595.6	6,290.3	3,919.8	2,042.5	2,319.9	24,168.0
September	10,571.9	5,987.1	4,173.5	2,300.8	2,630.4	25,663.7
October	10,841.5	6,418.7	4,533.9	2,381.4	2,658.7	26,834.2
<i>1994-95p</i>						
August	10,540.9	6,105.1	4,437.8	2,163.8	2,540.8	25,788.4
September	11,958.6	6,364.0	4,794.5	2,382.4	2,838.4	28,337.9
October	10,746.5	6,874.2	4,999.3	2,507.6	2,836.8	27,964.4
<i>4 Months ended October-</i>						
1993	41,162.6	25,985.3	17,276.1	9,121.7	10,288.4	103,834.0
1994 p	44,405.6	25,756.5	19,256.0	9,578.7	11,126.7	110,123.5
(a) Comp	Excludes the Nc	Territory and t	stralian Capital T	id Tasman	6-87.	

TABLE 8. CHICKEN MEAT PRODUCED (a)
(Tonnes carcass weight)

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Aust.(b)	Trend estimate(c)
1991-92	171,524	107,040	64,081	36,978	35,945	415,569	..
1992-93	176,465	114,587	67,305	38,619	37,740	434,716	..
1993-94p	193,137	123,529	72,000	40,671	39,386	468,722	..
<i>1993-94p</i>							
August	15,696	9,297	5,057	3,103	2,966	36,120	38,106
September	15,705	8,839	5,362	3,048	3,285	36,239	38,195
October	16,219	9,414	5,903	3,388	3,288	38,213	38,288
<i>1994-95p --</i>							
August	15,484	8,947	6,004	2,750	3,167	36,353	39,927
September	18,426	9,126	6,372	3,284	3,475	40,682	39,746
October	15,894	9,574	6,706	3,209	3,428	38,811	39,604
<i>4 Months ended October--</i>							
1993	62,653	39,324	22,267	13,104	12,930	150,278	..
1994 p	66,502	37,877	26,256	12,754	13,681	157,070	..

(a) Chicken meat is shown in dressed weight of whole birds, pieces and giblets. (b) Excludes the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory, and Tasmania after 1986-87. (c) Trend estimates for the most recent months are subject to revision when data for subsequent months become available.

Note: Some slaughtering and meat production statistics for 'Ducks and Drakes' and 'Other Fowls and Turkeys' are available by contacting the ABS on Canberra 252 5337 or by writing to PO Box 10, Belconnen ACT 2616 (Attention: Agriculture Section).

RELIABILITY OF OCTOBER TREND ESTIMATES FOR CHICKEN MEAT PRODUCTION

Readers should exercise care in the interpretation of trend data as the last six observations, in particular, are likely to be revised with either revisions to the underlying data or the addition of data for the month of November.

The table below shows, for chicken meat production for the six months ended October:

- * trend estimates as published
- * trend estimates assuming an increase in seasonally adjusted data for November of 3% on the October figure
- * trend estimates assuming a decrease in seasonally adjusted data for November of 3% on the October figure

The percentage change of 3% was chosen because the average absolute monthly percentage change in the seasonally adjusted data since the inception of the series has been 3.62%.

1994	Trend as published	Trend change with seasonally adjusted November estimate	
		+4%	-4%
May	40,084	40,102	40,155
June	40,171	40,197	40,290
July	40,082	40,103	40,149
August	39,927	39,893	39,771
September	39,746	39,690	39,286
October	39,604	39,474	38,713
November	---	39,233	38,085

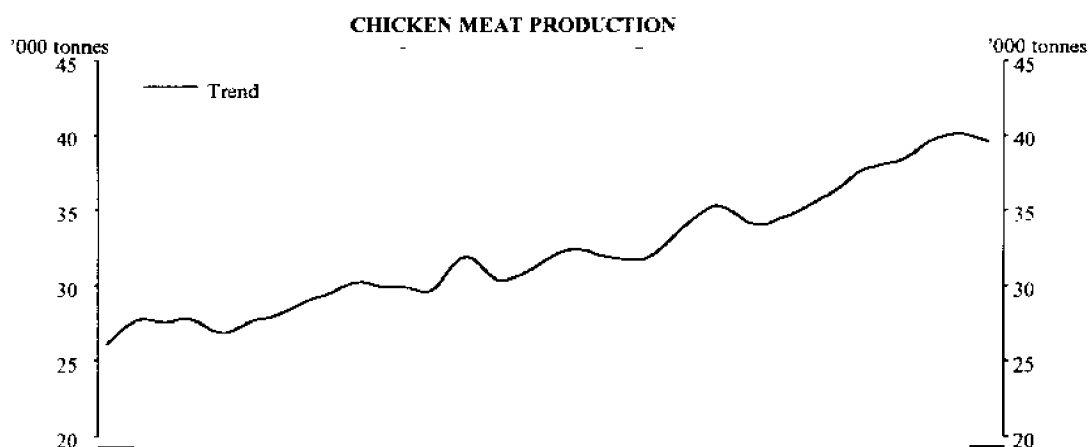


TABLE 9. WHOLE MILK INTAKE BY FACTORIES (a)
(Source: Australian Dairy Corporation)
(Million Litres)

	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>Aust.</i>	<i>Seasonally adjusted</i>	<i>Trend estimate(b)</i>
1991-92	894	4,118	635	411	302	372	6,731	..	..
1992-93	997	4,456	702	436	324	413	7,327	..	..
1993-94	1,097	4,967	764	456	344	447	8,076	..	..
<i>1993-94—</i>									
July	83	192	60	33	31	9	407	616	636
August	91	329	66	38	32	17	572	640	636
September	97	521	66	44	32	41	799	654	640
October	104	645	70	49	32	60	960	646	648
November	99	629	66	46	29	61	929	650	658
December	98	589	69	43	26	58	883	666	670
January	92	538	67	41	27	54	819	685	684
February	83	418	61	33	26	43	664	698	699
March	92	381	65	32	29	40	638	715	711
April	86	285	59	32	26	30	517	725	718
May	88	238	58	33	29	23	469	722	718
June	85	204	58	33	27	12	418	719	713
<i>1994-95 p—</i>									
July	89	238	61	34	31	10	463	702	707
August	92	368	63	41	33	20	617	691	701
September	96	565	64	46	33	44	848	695	695
<i>3 Months ended September—</i>									
1993	270	1,042	191	114	94	67	1,778	..	..
1994 p	277	1,172	189	121	96	74	1,929	..	..

(a) Includes the whole milk equivalent of farm cream intake. (b) Trend estimates for the most recent months are subject to revision when data for subsequent months become available.

RELIABILITY OF SEPTEMBER TREND ESTIMATES FOR WHOLE MILK INTAKE BY FACTORIES

Readers should exercise care in the interpretation of trend data as the last six observations, in particular, are likely to be revised with either revisions to the underlying data or the addition of data for the month of October.

The table below shows, for whole milk intake by factories for the six months ended September:

* trend estimates as published

* trend estimates assuming an increase in seasonally adjusted data for October of 2% on the September figure

* trend estimates assuming a decrease in seasonally adjusted data for October of 2% on the September figure

The percentage change of 2% was chosen because the average absolute monthly percentage change in the seasonally adjusted data since the inception of the series has been 1.97%.

1994	Trend as published	Trend change with seasonally adjusted October estimate	
		+2%	-2%
April	718	718	719
May	718	718	719
June	713	713	714
July	707	708	706
August	701	703	699
September	695	699	691
October	---	697	685



TABLE 10. MARKET MILK SALES BY FACTORIES (a)
(Source: Australian Dairy Corporation)
(Million Litres)

	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>Aust.</i>
1991-92	597	448	339	155	175	50	1,765
1992-93	599	449	348	153	177	51	1,777
1993-94	607	454	356	158	180	53	1,808
<i>1993-94</i>							
July	52	39	31	13	15	5	153
August	51	38	30	13	15	4	151
September	50	37	29	13	15	4	148
October	51	38	30	13	15	4	151
November	50	36	29	13	15	4	147
December	49	37	30	13	15	5	149
January	51	37	29	13	15	4	148
February	47	35	28	12	13	4	139
March	53	40	32	14	17	5	161
April	51	38	29	13	15	4	150
May	53	40	30	14	16	5	157
June	51	40	30	14	15	4	154
<i>1994-95 p</i>							
July	53	39	31	14	15	5	157
August	53	40	32	15	16	5	159
September	51	39	30	14	16	4	153
<i>3 Months ended September—</i>							
1993	152	113	89	39	45	13	452
1994 p	156	118	93	43	47	13	470

(a) Includes white, flavoured, high and low fat milk, uht milk.

TABLE 11. BROKERS AND DEALERS RECEIVALS OF TAXABLE WOOL
(Tonnes)

	Australia						Total	% of Total received by brokers (a)	Seasonally adjusted	Trend estimate(b)
	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.				
1991-92	249,293	208,990	71,180	107,266	182,027	17,845	836,600	87.8	..	..
1992-93	252,176	203,572	57,998	109,322	203,626	17,384	844,077	83.3	..	..
1993-94p	206,222	190,047	55,110	102,340	212,670	18,633	785,022	81.0	..	..
<i>1993-94</i>										
August	22,454	18,287	6,727	14,436	25,219	1,496	88,620	85.3	64,652	64,545
September	24,098	22,605	5,131	15,714	32,606	1,686	101,840	80.7	60,969	63,553
October	26,234	27,263	5,024	15,268	31,792	2,139	107,721	81.8	64,033	63,620
November	25,532	31,936	2,597	14,034	25,682	3,198	102,980	79.2	70,464	64,610
December	12,737	19,716	1,935	5,107	9,065	1,841	50,400	78.4	59,545	65,882
January	12,460	10,872	3,359	3,837	10,824	1,235	42,588	85.9	65,722	67,012
February	13,792	12,503	3,783	6,922	19,054	1,296	57,350	81.6	72,211	67,998
March	14,471	14,164	4,442	8,509	20,643	751	62,981	79.8	68,837	68,228
April	12,802	9,216	4,639	5,566	11,396	873	44,492	77.1	66,454	67,824
May	14,792	9,106	5,870	4,380	7,657	1,877	43,681	80.5	67,426	66,699
June	11,970	6,219	5,153	3,045	4,950	842	32,179	78.3	65,559	64,780
<i>1994-95 p --</i>										
July	14,499	9,061	6,352	4,855	11,697	1,395	47,859	81.5	61,927	62,533
August	21,462	19,103	6,788	11,213	24,825	892	84,283	86.9	56,843	60,305
September	25,505	28,072	6,323	15,651	29,312	1,820	106,683	87.3	66,334	58,108
October	18,951	25,062	4,064	11,970	19,410	1,899	81,356	87.7	48,863	56,050
<i>4 Months ended</i>										
<i>October—</i>										
1993	87,665	76,315	23,332	50,940	103,401	6,720	348,372	81.3	..	..
1994 p	80,417	81,299	23,527	43,689	85,244	6,006	320,182	87.5	..	..

(a) Brokers reporting to the National Council of Wool Selling Brokers of Australia (b) Trend estimates for the most recent months are subject to revision when data for the subsequent months become available.

RELIABILITY OF OCTOBER TREND ESTIMATES FOR WOOL RECEIVALS

Readers should exercise care in the interpretation of trend data as the last six observations, in particular, are likely to be revised with either revisions to the underlying data or the addition of data for the month of November.

The table below shows, for receivals of taxable wool for the six months ended October.

- * trend estimates as published
- * trend estimates assuming an increase in seasonally adjusted data for November of 9% on the October figure
- * trend estimates assuming a decrease in seasonally adjusted data for November of 9% on the October figure

The percentage change of 9.0% was chosen because the average absolute monthly percentage change in the seasonally adjusted data since the inception of the series has been 9.06%

1994	Trend as published	Trend change with seasonally adjusted November estimate	
		+9%	-9%
May	66,699	66,787	66,958
June	64,780	64,941	65,242
July	62,533	62,579	62,729
August	60,305	60,237	59,840
September	58,108	57,837	56,526
October	56,050	55,532	53,061
November	-----	53,426	49,697

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

This publication contains information (preliminary where indicated) on livestock slaughterings, meat production, exports of live, fresh, frozen and processed meat and stocks of frozen meat, whole milk intake by factories, market milk sales by factories and receipts of taxable wool by wool brokers and dealers.

2. Commencing with the June 1992 issue of this publication, the timing basis for compilation of merchandise exports statistics has changed. The change involves compiling export statistics on the basis of goods shipped in any month rather than on the basis of the documentation of goods shipped in that or earlier months. From the June 1992 issue the data from July 1990 has been revised to the new basis.

Livestock slaughterings and meat production

3. The statistics on slaughterings and meat production 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 and other small slaughtering establishments.

4. Care should be taken when using this information as the figures only relate to slaughterings for human consumption and do not include animals condemned or those killed for boiling down. Since July 1994 the definition of livestock categories between States has been standardised.

5. Poultry slaughterings statistics have been compiled from returns supplied by commercial poultry slaughtering establishments. Producers in the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory and the many very small producers are excluded from the collection; however, the statistics represent a high level of coverage.

Live sheep exports

6. This table contains statistics of the number of live sheep exported, the gross weight, gross value and unit value. It does not include sheep exported for breeding.

Milk

7. Tables 9 and 10 contain statistics collected by the Australian Dairy Corporation (ADC) on whole milk intake and market milk sales by factories.

Wool receipts

8. The statistics in Table 11 show the amount of taxable wool received by brokers and dealers from wool producers. It excludes wool received by brokers on which tax has already been paid by other dealers (private buyers) or brokers.

9. The information shown is on the basis of the State in which wool has actually been received and does not necessarily reflect the production of wool in that State.

Seasonal adjustment

10. Details of seasonally adjusted figures for red meat, chicken meat, milk and wool are shown in Tables 2, 8, 9 and 11 respectively. Information on the methods used in seasonally adjusting these series is available on request.

Trend Estimates

11. A trend estimate is obtained by reducing the irregular component from the seasonally adjusted series. It is calculated for estimates in this publication by applying a 13 term Henderson moving average to the seasonally adjusted series. More detailed information is available in the ABS Information Papers *A Guide to Smoothing Time Series — Estimates of Trend* (1316.0), and *Time Series Decomposition — An Overview* (1317.0). This technique enables trend estimates to be produced for the latest month. Trend estimates for the most recent months are revised as data for subsequent months become available.

Related publications

12. Users may also wish to refer to the following priced publication which is available on request:

Livestock and Livestock Products, Australia (7221.0)

13. Current publication produced by the ABS are listed in the Catalogue of Publications and Products, Australia (1101.0). The ABS also issues, on Tuesdays and Fridays, a Publication Advice (1105.0) which lists publications to be released in the next few days. The Catalogue and Publications Advice are available from any ABS office.

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Symbols and other usages

p preliminary
 . . not applicable
 — nil or rounded to zero

15. The figures shown in this publication have been revised where necessary and as a consequence may not agree with similar data shown in previous publications.

16. Where figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.

17. Unless indicated otherwise, Australian totals include data for all States and both Territories.

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