

**LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS, AUSTRALIA
DECEMBER 1994**

MAIN FEATURES

The following table summarises movements in livestock slaughterings, in terms of trend estimates.

| | Livestock Slaughterings Percentage change, December 1994 on | |
|----------------------------|--|------------------|
| | November 1994 | December 1993 |
| Bulls, bullocks and steers | +2.5 | +7.2 |
| Cows and heifers | -1.0 | -3.8 |
| Calves | -1.5 | +12.5 |
| Sheep | -0.7 | +0.2 |
| Lambs | -2.2 | -5.9 |
| Pigs | +0.5 | +0.3 |

Livestock Slaughterings

The trend estimate for cattle rose for the seventh successive month in December 1994, increasing by 7.0 per cent since the last trough in May 1994. The trend estimate for calves fell for the third month, declining by 2.6 per cent since the last peak in September 1994.

Sheep slaughterings also fell for the third consecutive month, down by 1.9 per cent since September 1994. The trend estimate for lamb slaughterings in December 1994 has fallen by 17.6 per cent since the last peak in May 1994.

The trend estimate for pig slaughterings increased marginally in December 1994 and is 2.0 per cent above the last trough which occurred in July 1994.

Red Meat

The trend estimate for red meat for December 1994 increased for the fifth successive month and is up by 1.7 per cent since the last trough in July 1994. Lamb has fallen by 20.3 per cent since the peak in June 1994. The trend estimate for beef rose for the fifth consecutive month and is 1.1 per cent above the level of the last peak in February 1994.

Chicken Meat

The trend estimate for chicken meat production fell marginally in December 1994, continuing the decline that commenced in June 1994. Since that time, production has fallen 3.1 per cent.

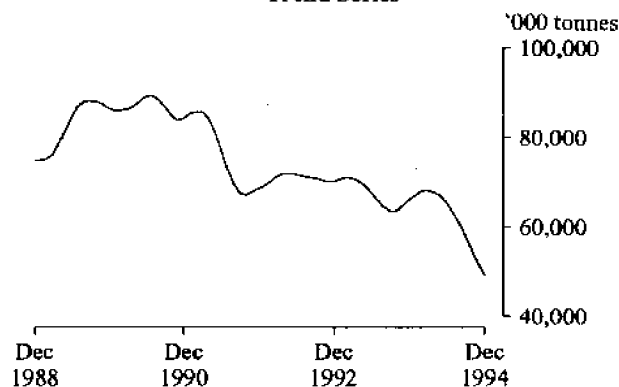
Whole Milk Intake

The trend estimate of 682 million litres for whole milk intake for November 1994 fell for the sixth consecutive month, having peaked at 719 million litres in April and May 1994. The trend estimate for November 1994 was 3.6 per cent higher than the trend estimate for November 1993.

Wool Receivals by Brokers and Dealers

The trend estimate for wool receivals by brokers and dealers in December 1994 fell by 4.9 per cent on November and continues the decline of the previous eight months. The trend estimate for December 1994 was 27.7 per cent below the March 1994 peak.

**BROKERS AND DEALERS RECEIVALS OF
TAXABLE WOOL, AUSTRALIA
Trend Series**



Live Sheep Exports

The number of live sheep exported in November 1994 was 567,000, up 35.8 per cent on October. The unit value per sheep exported, (\$26.56) fell 10.3 per cent when compared with the unit value for October. However, the gross value increased by 21.8 per cent in November when compared with the previous month.

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TABLE 1. NUMBERS OF LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED
(*000)

| | NSW | Vic. | Qld | SA | WA | Tas. | Aust. | % Change 1994-95 on 1993-94 | Seas- onally adjusted | Trend estimate(b) |
|---|---------|---------|---------|-------|-------|-------|---------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|
| 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> | | | | | | | | | | |
| October | 85.4 | 54.6 | 172.9 | 19.6 | 26.5 | 7.7 | 368.1 | .. | 337.5 | 340.5 |
| November | 86.6 | 68.4 | 166.2 | 20.5 | 27.0 | 7.7 | 377.2 | .. | 339.7 | 338.9 |
| December | 80.9 | 72.2 | 101.1 | 16.2 | 27.7 | 9.8 | 308.2 | .. | 332.2 | 339.4 |
| <i>1994-95 p</i> | | | | | | | | | | |
| October | 95.7 | 64.9 | 152.8 | 24.4 | 22.8 | 6.2 | 368.3 | 0.1 | 342.0 | 347.2 |
| November | 113.7 | 73.1 | 160.0 | 17.7 | 24.8 | 9.3 | 398.7 | 5.7 | 347.5 | 354.9 |
| December | 84.6 | 69.7 | 120.1 | 26.3 | 26.0 | 11.3 | 338.1 | 9.7 | 375.5 | 363.7 |
| <i>6 months ended December—</i> | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1993 | 523.0 | 361.9 | 951.5 | 103.6 | 157.7 | 46.3 | 2,156.3 | .. | .. | .. |
| 1994 p | 579.8 | 376.8 | 915.3 | 105.7 | 130.0 | 45.4 | 2,160.0 | 0.2 | .. | .. |
| 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> | | | | | | | | | | |
| October | 81.4 | 50.0 | 86.1 | 17.0 | 14.7 | 6.4 | 266.2 | .. | 278.9 | 277.1 |
| November | 83.5 | 57.6 | 89.2 | 18.2 | 12.8 | 7.3 | 272.9 | .. | 276.7 | 275.9 |
| December | 79.4 | 57.2 | 53.8 | 16.2 | 15.0 | 8.4 | 234.0 | .. | 265.2 | 273.9 |
| <i>1994-95 p</i> | | | | | | | | | | |
| October | 86.9 | 60.3 | 72.7 | 11.9 | 15.1 | 6.9 | 258.9 | 2.8 | 275.5 | 270.1 |
| November | 86.9 | 46.3 | 64.2 | 21.4 | 16.4 | 7.5 | 247.0 | -9.5 | 241.1 | 266.3 |
| December | 69.1 | 52.6 | 57.9 | 11.1 | 19.9 | 9.2 | 222.8 | -4.8 | 262.5 | 263.6 |
| <i>6 months ended December—</i> | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1993 | 497.1 | 299.1 | 524.1 | 103.8 | 83.3 | 39.1 | 1,592.9 | .. | .. | .. |
| 1994 p | 475.1 | 319.8 | 506.0 | 86.0 | 95.1 | 39.0 | 1,564.2 | -1.8 | .. | .. |
| 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> | | | | | | | | | | |
| October | 166.9 | 104.6 | 259.0 | 36.5 | 41.1 | 14.1 | 634.4 | .. | 620.5 | 616.1 |
| November | 170.1 | 126.0 | 255.4 | 38.7 | 39.8 | 15.0 | 650.1 | .. | 612.0 | 613.3 |
| December | 160.3 | 129.4 | 154.9 | 32.4 | 42.7 | 18.1 | 542.1 | .. | 596.9 | 612.4 |
| <i>1994-95 p</i> | | | | | | | | | | |
| October | 182.6 | 125.1 | 225.6 | 36.3 | 37.9 | 13.1 | 627.2 | -1.1 | 621.4 | 618.3 |
| November | 200.6 | 119.4 | 224.2 | 39.1 | 41.2 | 16.8 | 645.6 | -0.7 | 585.5 | 623.7 |
| December | 153.8 | 122.3 | 178.0 | 37.4 | 45.9 | 20.5 | 560.9 | 3.5 | 648.7 | 631.4 |
| <i>6 months ended December—</i> | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1993 | 1,020.2 | 661.0 | 1,475.6 | 207.4 | 240.9 | 85.4 | 3,749.2 | .. | .. | .. |
| 1994 p | 1,054.9 | 696.6 | 1,421.3 | 191.7 | 225.1 | 84.3 | 3,724.2 | -0.7 | .. | .. |
| 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> | | | | | | | | | | |
| October | 16.1 | 38.3 | 11.7 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 2.7 | 69.9 | .. | 68.6 | 76.2 |
| November | 15.1 | 12.3 | 11.4 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 40.3 | .. | 70.5 | 77.2 |
| December | 15.0 | 8.4 | 10.8 | 0.5 | 0.3 | - | 35.2 | .. | 85.5 | 78.9 |

TABLE 1. NUMBERS OF LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED—continued
(*000)

| | NSW | Vic. | Qld | SA | WA | Tas. | Aust. | % Change 1994-95 on 1993-94 | Seas- onally adjusted | Trend estimate(b) |
|---------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|-------|----------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|
| CALVES—continued | | | | | | | | | | |
| <i>1994-95 p</i> | | | | | | | | | | |
| October | 22.7 | 69.4 | 9.4 | 1.1 | 0.3 | 2.9 | 106.1 | 51.7 | 104.6 | 90.9 |
| November | 22.1 | 23.5 | 8.6 | 1.0 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 56.3 | 39.7 | 92.5 | 90.2 |
| December | 13.0 | 7.9 | 8.7 | 0.7 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 30.9 | -12.2 | 79.7 | 88.9 |
| <i>6 months ended December—</i> | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1993 | 105.6 | 399.2 | 75.6 | 4.9 | 2.4 | 22.4 | 611.2 | .. | .. | .. |
| 1994 p | 124.1 | 472.3 | 56.4 | 6.0 | 2.3 | 24.9 | 687.1 | 12.4 | .. | .. |
| SHEEP | | | | | | | | | | |
| 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> | | | | | | | | | | |
| October | 512.3 | 284.4 | 79.2 | 328.3 | 296.2 | 31.1 | 1,544.3 | .. | 1,463.0 | 1,528.2 |
| November | 563.1 | 362.8 | 89.8 | 387.4 | 332.7 | 39.7 | 1,789.0 | .. | 1,488.8 | 1,486.7 |
| December | 504.8 | 474.4 | 75.7 | 268.9 | 291.5 | 46.0 | 1,677.8 | .. | 1,510.0 | 1,451.1 |
| <i>1994-95 p</i> | | | | | | | | | | |
| October | 637.8 | 327.0 | 45.0 | 303.6 | 214.2 | 36.2 | 1,576.6 | 2.1 | 1,509.4 | 1,477.6 |
| November | 650.4 | 401.0 | 37.0 | 374.1 | 195.8 | 63.2 | 1,737.7 | -2.9 | 1,392.7 | 1,465.0 |
| December | 538.2 | 351.7 | 27.8 | 310.2 | 230.7 | 64.2 | 1,534.1 | -8.6 | 1,399.9 | 1,454.7 |
| <i>6 months ended December—</i> | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1993 | 3,000.2 | 1,945.1 | 478.9 | 1,699.9 | 1,607.3 | 200.8 | 9,021.5 | .. | .. | .. |
| 1994 p | 3,449.2 | 1,716.6 | 269.7 | 1,627.0 | 1,175.9 | 255.5 | 8,573.4 | -5.0 | .. | .. |
| LAMBS | | | | | | | | | | |
| 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> | | | | | | | | | | |
| October | 333.7 | 458.3 | 68.3 | 202.3 | 228.5 | 30.0 | 1,347.5 | .. | 1,159.4 | 1,144.0 |
| November | 327.0 | 506.7 | 67.6 | 209.7 | 131.3 | 32.0 | 1,304.7 | .. | 1,179.0 | 1,171.4 |
| December | 291.5 | 518.2 | 47.9 | 176.7 | 85.1 | 39.6 | 1,187.5 | .. | 1,220.5 | 1,214.4 |
| <i>1994-95 p</i> | | | | | | | | | | |
| October | 322.0 | 581.8 | 31.8 | 142.1 | 163.1 | 30.4 | 1,304.3 | -3.2 | 1,132.0 | 1,210.0 |
| November | 298.8 | 571.6 | 27.1 | 175.9 | 82.9 | 37.3 | 1,223.0 | -6.3 | 1,078.1 | 1,168.4 |
| December | 276.5 | 516.6 | 22.7 | 152.7 | 121.6 | 41.3 | 1,157.8 | -2.5 | 1,232.8 | 1,142.7 |
| <i>6 months ended December—</i> | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1993 | 1,975.8 | 2,717.5 | 348.3 | 1,025.2 | 886.2 | 187.7 | 7,308.1 | .. | .. | .. |
| 1994 p | 2,105.2 | 3,321.2 | 224.2 | 1,008.6 | 684.9 | 222.4 | 7,761.8 | 6.2 | .. | .. |
| PIGS | | | | | | | | | | |
| 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> | | | | | | | | | | |
| October | 112.0 | 101.8 | 92.9 | 46.5 | 45.1 | 6.4 | 412.0 | .. | 440.1 | 430.5 |
| November | 118.5 | 93.8 | 95.9 | 53.8 | 46.1 | 7.9 | 423.1 | .. | 417.4 | 430.9 |
| December | 138.5 | 102.3 | 114.1 | 40.5 | 48.8 | 11.2 | 463.9 | .. | 430.4 | 431.4 |
| <i>1994-95 p</i> | | | | | | | | | | |
| October | 121.4 | 101.6 | 94.3 | 41.4 | 48.0 | 6.7 | 421.4 | 2.3 | 450.3 | 428.2 |
| November | 129.2 | 97.6 | 99.6 | 51.3 | 52.9 | 8.0 | 448.1 | 5.9 | 430.1 | 430.3 |
| December | 139.9 | 104.9 | 94.3 | 37.6 | 49.5 | 9.7 | 442.9 | -4.5 | 425.8 | 432.4 |
| <i>6 months ended December—</i> | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1993 | 736.6 | 611.6 | 601.6 | 295.6 | 274.9 | 49.3 | 2,618.1 | .. | .. | .. |
| 1994 p | 747.2 | 605.1 | 581.0 | 252.1 | 296.6 | 47.1 | 2,580.7 | -1.4 | .. | .. |

(a) Domesticated buffaloes slaughtered in the Northern Territory are included in Australian totals. (b) Trend estimates for the most recent months are subject to revision when data for subsequent months become available.

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> | | | | | | | | | | |
| October | 34,081 | 23,355 | 69,228 | 8,699 | 9,310 | 3,520 | 150,122 | .. | 146,699 | 148,076 |
| November | 40,314 | 28,874 | 68,334 | 9,313 | 9,382 | 3,780 | 160,923 | .. | 149,797 | 148,098 |
| December | 36,530 | 30,025 | 41,889 | 7,715 | 9,984 | 4,555 | 131,521 | .. | 141,436 | 149,199 |
| <i>1994-95p</i> | | | | | | | | | | |
| October | 42,071 | 27,899 | 60,905 | 8,284 | 8,764 | 3,160 | 152,306 | 1.5 | 153,449 | 149,704 |
| November | 45,192 | 26,809 | 62,907 | 8,927 | 9,348 | 4,143 | 158,154 | 1.7 | 138,838 | 151,425 |
| December | 35,023 | 27,469 | 49,828 | 8,859 | 10,569 | 5,104 | 137,474 | 4.5 | 159,972 | 153,744 |
| <i>6 Months ended</i> | | | | | | | | | | |
| <i>December —</i> | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1993 | 236,071 | 146,167 | 391,011 | 48,729 | 55,244 | 21,122 | 908,086 | .. | .. | .. |
| 1994 p | 244,494 | 151,704 | 388,801 | 44,055 | 50,844 | 20,468 | 909,466 | 0.2 | .. | .. |
| 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> | | | | | | | | | | |
| October | 1,284 | 745 | 518 | 21 | 25 | 60 | 2,664 | .. | 2,707 | 3,123 |
| November | 1,221 | 366 | 496 | 26 | 33 | 6 | 2,157 | .. | 3,058 | 3,203 |
| December | 1,192 | 346 | 453 | 18 | 21 | 2 | 2,041 | .. | 3,460 | 3,305 |
| <i>1994-95p —</i> | | | | | | | | | | |
| October | 1,378 | 1,502 | 382 | 39 | 22 | 125 | 3,456 | 29.7 | 3,508 | 3,291 |
| November | 1,442 | 581 | 338 | 44 | 23 | 18 | 2,463 | 14.2 | 3,360 | 3,223 |
| December | 867 | 275 | 341 | 27 | 26 | 10 | 1,554 | -23.9 | 2,732 | 3,129 |
| <i>6 Months ended</i> | | | | | | | | | | |
| <i>December —</i> | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1993 | 8,663 | 8,471 | 3,362 | 165 | 161 | 486 | 21,365 | .. | .. | .. |
| 1994 p | 8,202 | 10,313 | 2,344 | 232 | 158 | 824 | 22,133 | 3.6 | .. | .. |
| 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> | | | | | | | | | | |
| October | 10,975 | 6,149 | 1,678 | 7,776 | 6,204 | 577 | 33,623 | .. | 30,445 | 32,494 |
| November | 11,333 | 8,035 | 1,866 | 9,320 | 7,135 | 759 | 38,729 | .. | 31,289 | 31,580 |
| December | 10,914 | 10,560 | 1,531 | 6,203 | 5,990 | 874 | 36,373 | .. | 31,983 | 30,848 |
| <i>1994-95p —</i> | | | | | | | | | | |
| October | 12,939 | 6,775 | 917 | 6,603 | 4,042 | 723 | 32,293 | 4.0 | 29,718 | 29,702 |
| November | 13,496 | 8,148 | 722 | 8,282 | 3,849 | 1,277 | 36,112 | -6.8 | 28,433 | 29,404 |
| December | 10,989 | 6,956 | 537 | 6,781 | 4,777 | 1,275 | 31,569 | -13.2 | 28,695 | 29,275 |
| <i>6 Months ended</i> | | | | | | | | | | |
| <i>December —</i> | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1993 | 63,703 | 42,154 | 9,684 | 40,041 | 33,496 | 3,766 | 194,608 | .. | .. | .. |
| 1994 p | 70,295 | 34,733 | 5,097 | 35,485 | 23,240 | 5,091 | 175,606 | -9.8 | .. | .. |
| 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> | | | | | | | | | | |
| October | 5,586 | 8,199 | 1,130 | 3,616 | 3,774 | 479 | 23,276 | .. | 20,245 | 20,128 |
| November | 5,423 | 9,087 | 1,106 | 3,860 | 2,205 | 506 | 22,769 | .. | 21,240 | 20,704 |
| December | 5,021 | 9,161 | 791 | 3,325 | 1,438 | 635 | 20,837 | .. | 21,518 | 21,550 |

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

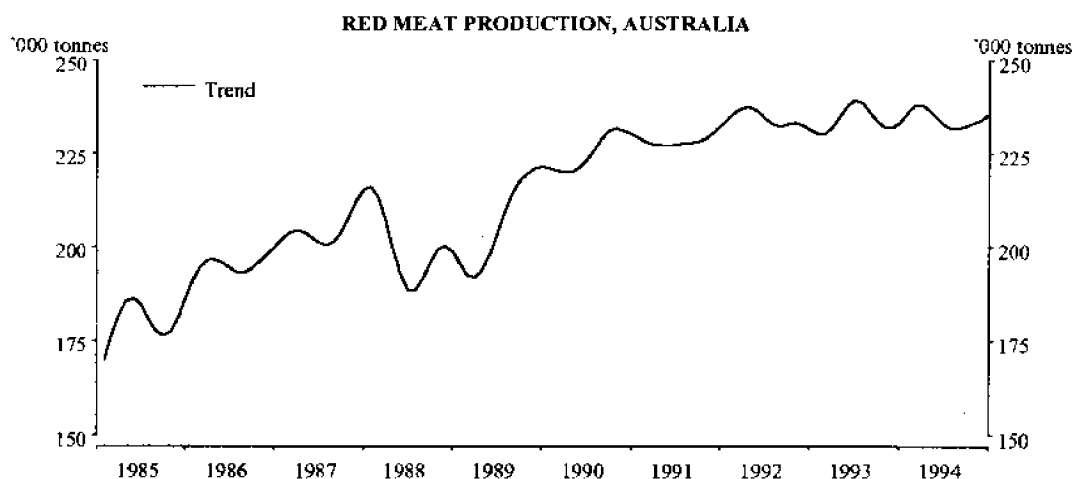
| | <i>NSW</i> | <i>Vic.</i> | <i>Qld</i> | <i>SA</i> | <i>WA</i> | <i>Tas.</i> | <i>Aust.</i> | % Change 1994-95 on 1993-94 | Seas- onally adjusted | Trend estimate(b) |
|---------------------------|------------|-------------|------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|--------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|
| LAMB — continued | | | | | | | | | | |
| <i>1994-95 p —</i> | | | | | | | | | | |
| October | 5,670 | 10,295 | 535 | 2,509 | 2,499 | 565 | 22,651 | 2.7 | 19,605 | 21,520 |
| November | 5,265 | 10,028 | 453 | 3,244 | 1,220 | 657 | 21,752 | -4.5 | 19,842 | 20,605 |
| December | 4,555 | 8,995 | 385 | 2,816 | 1,866 | 691 | 19,810 | -4.9 | 21,134 | 19,914 |
| <i>6 Months ended</i> | | | | | | | | | | |
| <i>December —</i> | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1993 | 33,377 | 48,284 | 5,724 | 18,633 | 14,464 | 2,992 | 126,528 | .. | .. | .. |
| 1994 p | 37,431 | 58,017 | 3,710 | 18,933 | 10,516 | 3,700 | 136,537 | 7.9 | .. | .. |
| 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> | | | | | | | | | | |
| October | 7,369 | 6,060 | 6,522 | 3,151 | 2,656 | 384 | 26,593 | .. | 28,046 | 28,179 |
| November | 7,869 | 6,405 | 6,679 | 3,529 | 2,707 | 480 | 28,101 | .. | 27,549 | 28,252 |
| December | 8,813 | 6,891 | 7,746 | 2,563 | 2,741 | 686 | 29,953 | .. | 28,478 | 28,423 |
| <i>1994-95 p —</i> | | | | | | | | | | |
| October | 8,608 | 7,165 | 6,881 | 3,094 | 2,882 | 474 | 29,616 | 11.4 | 31,573 | 28,996 |
| November | 8,452 | 7,216 | 7,186 | 3,784 | 2,990 | 493 | 30,727 | 9.3 | 29,435 | 29,298 |
| December | 8,611 | 7,303 | 6,469 | 2,929 | 3,113 | 649 | 29,510 | -1.5 | 28,853 | 29,573 |
| <i>6 Months ended</i> | | | | | | | | | | |
| <i>December —</i> | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1993 | 48,014 | 40,270 | 42,155 | 19,532 | 16,202 | 3,006 | 172,154 | .. | .. | .. |
| 1994 p | 48,956 | 42,166 | 41,221 | 18,247 | 17,683 | 3,013 | 174,510 | 1.4 | .. | .. |
| 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> | | | | | | | | | | |
| October | 59,296 | 44,508 | 79,076 | 23,263 | 21,970 | 5,020 | 236,279 | .. | 228,141 | 231,999 |
| November | 66,161 | 52,766 | 78,482 | 26,047 | 21,462 | 5,531 | 252,680 | .. | 232,934 | 231,837 |
| December | 62,471 | 56,984 | 52,410 | 19,825 | 20,173 | 6,752 | 220,724 | .. | 226,875 | 233,325 |
| <i>1994-95 p —</i> | | | | | | | | | | |
| October | 70,665 | 53,636 | 69,619 | 20,528 | 18,209 | 5,047 | 240,322 | 1.7 | 237,854 | 233,213 |
| November | 73,847 | 52,782 | 71,606 | 24,280 | 17,429 | 6,587 | 249,208 | -1.4 | 219,908 | 233,955 |
| December | 60,044 | 50,997 | 57,559 | 21,411 | 20,352 | 7,731 | 219,917 | -0.4 | 241,385 | 235,636 |
| <i>6 Months ended</i> | | | | | | | | | | |
| <i>December —</i> | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1993 | 389,827 | 285,346 | 451,936 | 127,099 | 119,568 | 31,371 | 1,422,741 | .. | .. | .. |
| 1994 p | 409,378 | 296,932 | 441,173 | 116,953 | 102,441 | 33,097 | 1,418,253 | -0.3 | .. | .. |

(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)

| | <i>Beef(c)</i> | <i>Veal</i> | <i>Mutton</i> | <i>Lamb</i> | <i>Pigmeat</i> | <i>Total</i> |
|--------------------|----------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|----------------|--------------|
| <i>1993-94 —</i> | | | | | | |
| 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 | 29,193 | 236,573 |
| May | 147,464 | 3,142 | 30,132 | 24,959 | 28,862 | 234,559 |
| June | 145,817 | 3,184 | 30,239 | 24,984 | 28,506 | 232,730 |
| <i>1994-95 p —</i> | | | | | | |
| July | 145,359 | 3,274 | 30,284 | 24,497 | 28,323 | 231,737 |
| August | 146,285 | 3,335 | 30,173 | 23,636 | 28,388 | 231,818 |
| September | 147,849 | 3,334 | 29,945 | 22,580 | 28,658 | 232,366 |
| October | 149,704 | 3,291 | 29,702 | 21,520 | 28,996 | 233,213 |
| November | 151,425 | 3,223 | 29,404 | 20,605 | 29,298 | 233,955 |
| December | 153,744 | 3,129 | 29,275 | 19,914 | 29,573 | 235,636 |

(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.



**RELIABILITY OF DECEMBER 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 January.

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

- trend estimates as published
- trend estimates assuming an increase in seasonally adjusted data for January of 3% on the December figure
- trend estimates assuming a decrease in seasonally adjusted data for January of 3% on the December 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 3.29%.

| | <i>Trend as published</i> | <i>Trend change with seasonally adjusted January estimate</i> | |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|---|---------|
| | | +3% | -3% |
| (tonnes, carcass weight) | | | |
| <i>1994-95p</i> | | | |
| July | 231,737 | 231,382 | 231,689 |
| August | 231,818 | 231,220 | 231,760 |
| September | 232,366 | 232,089 | 232,358 |
| October | 233,213 | 233,968 | 233,256 |
| November | 233,955 | 236,341 | 233,988 |
| December | 235,636 | 239,049 | 234,616 |
| January | — | 241,126 | 234,437 |

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

| <i>At last Saturday of</i> | <i>Beef(b) and veal</i> | <i>Mutton</i> | <i>Lamb</i> | <i>Pork</i> | <i>Goat</i> | <i>Offal</i> | <i>Total</i> |
|----------------------------|-------------------------|---------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| <i>1993 —</i> | | | | | | | |
| September | 38,308 | 18,651 | 4,854 | 1,555 | 797 | 10,159 | 74,324 |
| October | 38,523 | 19,178 | 5,467 | 1,443 | 676 | 10,541 | 75,828 |
| November | 39,421 | 20,905 | 5,587 | 1,414 | 635 | 10,563 | 78,525 |
| <i>1994p —</i> | | | | | | | |
| September | 31,975 | 5,990 | 3,497 | 2,217 | 188 | 7,827 | 51,694 |
| October | 32,142 | 6,248 | 2,955 | 2,239 | 134 | 8,024 | 51,742 |
| November | 33,730 | 7,260 | 3,095 | 2,070 | 134 | 8,845 | 55,134 |

(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 buffalo meat.

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 |
| 1993-94 | 5,429.8 | 287.4 | 148,907 | 27.42 |
| <i>1993-94</i> | | | | |
| September | 418.7 | 21.9 | 10,451 | 24.96 |
| October | 393.0 | 21.7 | 10,368 | 26.38 |
| November | 427.7 | 22.2 | 11,233 | 26.26 |
| December | 555.4 | 30.0 | 16,534 | 29.77 |
| January | 394.4 | 21.0 | 11,129 | 28.22 |
| February | 569.8 | 31.4 | 16,574 | 29.09 |
| March | 470.3 | 25.0 | 12,277 | 26.10 |
| April | 515.3 | 27.1 | 14,665 | 28.46 |
| May | 212.6 | 10.3 | 6,527 | 30.70 |
| June | 580.7 | 29.8 | 16,390 | 28.23 |
| <i>1994-95p-</i> | | | | |
| July | 527.7 | 26.1 | 16,552 | 31.37 |
| August | 327.0 | 16.2 | 10,591 | 32.38 |
| September | 311.3 | 15.5 | 9,894 | 31.79 |
| October | 417.4 | 21.7 | 12,358 | 29.61 |
| November | 567.0 | 30.7 | 15,056 | 26.56 |
| <i>5 months ending November</i> | | | | |
| 1993 | 2,131.4 | 112.8 | 54,811 | 25.72 |
| 1994 | 2,150.3 | 110.3 | 64,451 | 29.97 |

(a) Excludes sheep for breeding. (b) Obtained by dividing total gross value by the number of sheep exported.

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

| | <i>Fresh, chilled or frozen</i> | | | | | | | | <i>Bacon and ham(d)</i> | <i>Canned meat(e)</i> | |
|---------------|---------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|--------|
| | <i>Beef(b)(c)</i> | | <i>Veal(b)</i> | | <i>Mutton(b)</i> | | <i>Lamb(b)</i> | | | | |
| | <i>Bone-in</i> | <i>Bone-out</i> | <i>Bone-in</i> | <i>Bone-out</i> | <i>Bone-in</i> | <i>Bone-out</i> | <i>Bone-in</i> | <i>Bone-out</i> | | | |
| 1991-92(f) | 99,972 | 691,542 | 1,536 | 5,703 | 103,705 | 74,993 | 39,410 | 4,587 | 5,038 | 46 | 7,318 |
| 1992-93 | 80,980 | 739,863 | 2,087 | 5,361 | 80,195 | 77,394 | 46,681 | 5,537 | 6,974 | 128 | 7,270 |
| 1993-94 | 62,662 | 742,287 | 1,342 | 5,818 | 97,806 | 70,906 | 52,695 | 5,226 | 5,855 | 204 | 10,331 |
| <i>1993—</i> | | | | | | | | | | | |
| August | 7,540 | 59,330 | 136 | 748 | 4,307 | 4,831 | 3,308 | 327 | 605 | 51 | 752 |
| September | 7,104 | 61,531 | 131 | 999 | 5,915 | 5,340 | 3,755 | 285 | 428 | 21 | 855 |
| October | 6,527 | 72,093 | 179 | 915 | 8,613 | 6,503 | 5,204 | 472 | 789 | 11 | 978 |
| <i>1994p—</i> | | | | | | | | | | | |
| August | 4,382 | 59,015 | 202 | 850 | 6,311 | 4,136 | 4,270 | 392 | 582 | 9 | 547 |
| September | 7,344 | 62,997 | 416 | 790 | 10,405 | 5,401 | 4,220 | 534 | 520 | 2 | 978 |
| October | 8,558 | 69,162 | 229 | 1,191 | 13,007 | 5,561 | 3,772 | 342 | 722 | 20 | 683 |

(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 |
| 1993-94 | 129,735.5 | 85,797.9 | 54,133.1 | 28,376.4 | 31,481.8 | 329,524.7 |
| <i>1993-94</i> | | | | | | |
| October | 10,841.5 | 6,418.7 | 4,533.9 | 2,381.4 | 2,658.7 | 26,834.2 |
| November | 10,471.2 | 6,738.4 | 4,270.2 | 2,159.9 | 2,399.0 | 26,038.7 |
| December | 12,320.3 | 8,304.6 | 5,054.4 | 2,647.2 | 2,826.5 | 31,153.1 |
| <i>1994-95p—</i> | | | | | | |
| October | 10,746.5 | 6,874.2 | 4,999.3 | 2,507.6 | 2,836.8 | 27,964.4 |
| November | 10,463.1 | 5,882.2 | 4,350.1 | 2,223.5 | 2,721.8 | 25,640.7 |
| December | 16,298.6 | 9,646.3 | 4,618.1 | 2,427.1 | 3,417.8 | 36,407.9 |
| <i>6 Months ended December</i> | | | | | | |
| 1993 | 63,954.0 | 41,028.3 | 26,600.8 | 13,928.8 | 15,513.9 | 161,025.8 |
| 1994 p | 71,167.2 | 41,285.0 | 28,224.3 | 14,229.4 | 17,266.3 | 172,172.1 |

(a) Comprises New South Wales, Victoria, Queensland, South Australia, Western Australia and the Northern Territory.

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

| | <i>NSW</i> | <i>Vic.</i> | <i>Qld</i> | <i>SA</i> | <i>WA</i> | <i>Aust.(b)</i> | <i>Trend estimate(c)</i> |
|---------------------------------|------------|-------------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------------|--------------------------|
| 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 | .. |
| 1993-94 | 193,137 | 123,529 | 72,000 | 40,671 | 39,386 | 468,722 | .. |
| <i>1993-94 —</i> | | | | | | | |
| October | 16,219 | 9,414 | 5,903 | 3,388 | 3,288 | 38,213 | 38,288 |
| November | 15,316 | 10,097 | 5,671 | 3,024 | 2,965 | 37,073 | 38,489 |
| December | 17,852 | 11,341 | 6,757 | 3,699 | 3,494 | 43,143 | 38,796 |
| <i>1994-95p —</i> | | | | | | | |
| October | 15,894 | 9,574 | 6,706 | 3,209 | 3,428 | 38,811 | 39,152 |
| November | 15,370 | 8,051 | 5,692 | 2,845 | 3,372 | 35,331 | 39,027 |
| December | 18,354 | 9,944 | 5,858 | 3,321 | 4,259 | 41,737 | 39,011 |
| <i>6 Months ended December—</i> | | | | | | | |
| 1993 | 95,820 | 60,762 | 34,696 | 19,828 | 19,388 | 230,495 | .. |
| 1994 p | 100,227 | 55,873 | 37,806 | 18,920 | 21,313 | 234,139 | .. |

(a) Chicken meat is shown in dressed weight of whole birds, pieces and giblets. (b) Excludes Tasmania, the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory.

(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 DECEMBER 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 January.

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

- trend estimates as published
- trend estimates assuming an increase in seasonally adjusted data for January of 4% on the December figure
- trend estimates assuming a decrease in seasonally adjusted data for January of 4% on the December figure

The percentage change of 4% was chosen because the average absolute monthly percentage change in the seasonally adjusted data since the inception of the series has been 3.79%.

| | <i>Trend as published</i> | <i>Trend change with seasonally adjusted January estimate</i> | |
|-----------------|---------------------------|---|------------|
| | | <i>+4%</i> | <i>-4%</i> |
| | | (tonnes, carcass weight) | |
| <i>1994-95p</i> | | | |
| July | 40,052 | 39,978 | 40,039 |
| August | 39,676 | 39,531 | 39,639 |
| September | 39,374 | 39,295 | 39,349 |
| October | 39,152 | 39,355 | 39,212 |
| November | 39,027 | 39,699 | 39,228 |
| December | 39,011 | 40,269 | 39,380 |
| January | — | 41,002 | 39,662 |

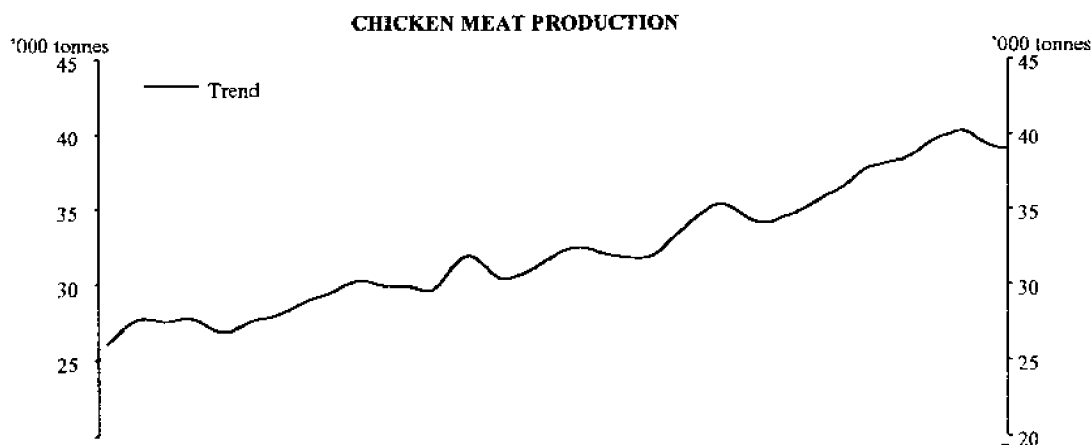


TABLE 9. WHOLE MILK INTAKE BY FACTORIES (a)
(Source: Australian Dairy Corporation)
(Million Litres)

| | <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> | | | | | | | | | |
| 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 | 712 |
| April | 86 | 285 | 59 | 32 | 26 | 30 | 517 | 725 | 719 |
| May | 88 | 238 | 58 | 33 | 29 | 23 | 469 | 722 | 719 |
| June | 85 | 204 | 58 | 33 | 27 | 12 | 418 | 719 | 713 |
| <i>1994-95 p—</i> | | | | | | | | | |
| July | 89 | 238 | 61 | 34 | 31 | 10 | 463 | 702 | 705 |
| August | 92 | 368 | 63 | 41 | 33 | 20 | 617 | 691 | 696 |
| September | 96 | 549 | 64 | 46 | 33 | 44 | 832 | 682 | 690 |
| October | 101 | 700 | 66 | 52 | 33 | 63 | 1,015 | 684 | 685 |
| November | 96 | 688 | 62 | 48 | 28 | 66 | 987 | 691 | 682 |
| <i>5 Months ended November—</i> | | | | | | | | | |
| 1993 | 473 | 2,316 | 326 | 209 | 155 | 188 | 3,667 | .. | .. |
| 1994 p | 474 | 2,543 | 316 | 221 | 156 | 203 | 3,914 | .. | .. |

(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 NOVEMBER 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 December.

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

- trend estimates as published
- trend estimates assuming an increase in seasonally adjusted data for December of 2% on the November figure
- trend estimates assuming a decrease in seasonally adjusted data for December of 2% on the November 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%.

| | <i>Trend as published</i> | <i>Trend change with seasonally adjusted December estimate</i> | |
|------------------|-------------------------------|--|-----|
| | | +2% | -2% |
| (million litres) | | | |
| <i>1994-95p</i> | | | |
| June | 713 | 713 | 714 |
| July | 705 | 704 | 705 |
| August | 696 | 696 | 696 |
| September | 690 | 691 | 690 |
| October | 685 | 689 | 685 |
| November | 682 | 689 | 682 |
| December | --- | 691 | 679 |

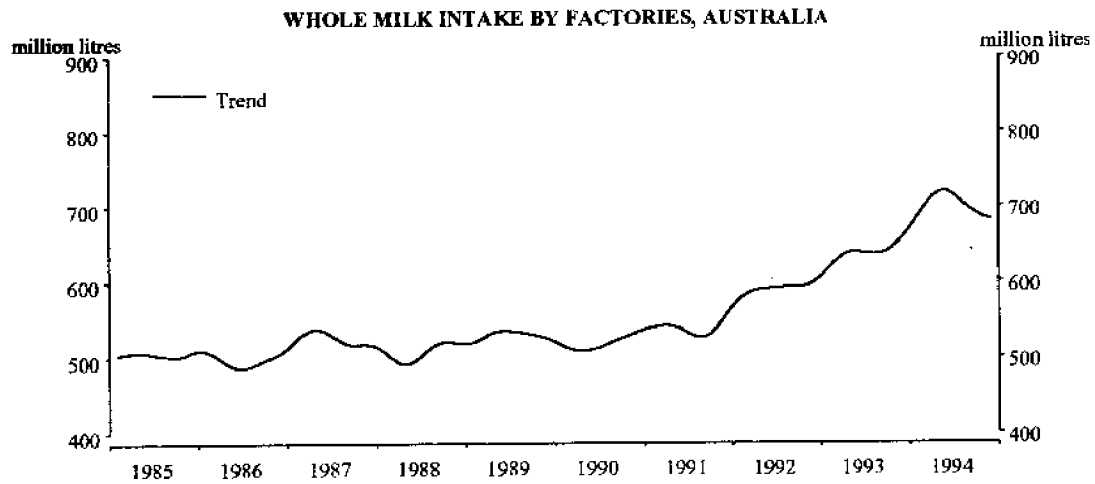


TABLE 10. MARKET MILK SALES BY FACTORIES (a)
(Source: Australian Dairy Corporation)
(Million Litres)

| | <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> | | | | | | | |
| 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 | 14 | 16 | 5 | 159 |
| September | 51 | 39 | 30 | 14 | 16 | 4 | 153 |
| October | 53 | 39 | 31 | 14 | 15 | 5 | 156 |
| November | 51 | 37 | 30 | 14 | 15 | 4 | 151 |
| <i>5 Months ended November—</i> | | | | | | | |
| 1993 | 253 | 188 | 148 | 65 | 74 | 22 | 751 |
| 1994 p | 259 | 193 | 154 | 70 | 78 | 22 | 777 |

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

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

| | | | | | | | Australia | | | |
|-----------------------|---------|---------|--------|---------|---------|--------|-----------|------------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| | NSW | Vic. | Qld | SA | WA | Tas. | Total | % of Total received by brokers (a) | Seasonally adjusted | Trend estimate(b) |
| 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 | .. | .. |
| 1993-94 | 206,222 | 190,047 | 55,110 | 102,340 | 212,266 | 18,633 | 784,618 | 81.0 | .. | .. |
| <i>1993-94 —</i> | | | | | | | | | | |
| 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 | 64,596 |
| December | 12,737 | 19,716 | 1,935 | 5,107 | 9,065 | 1,841 | 50,400 | 78.4 | 59,545 | 65,845 |
| January | 12,460 | 10,872 | 3,359 | 3,837 | 10,777 | 1,235 | 42,540 | 85.9 | 65,650 | 66,931 |
| February | 13,792 | 12,503 | 3,783 | 6,922 | 18,948 | 1,296 | 57,244 | 81.6 | 72,078 | 67,881 |
| March | 14,471 | 14,164 | 4,442 | 8,509 | 20,561 | 751 | 62,899 | 79.7 | 68,748 | 68,114 |
| April | 12,802 | 9,216 | 4,639 | 5,566 | 11,320 | 873 | 44,416 | 77.0 | 66,337 | 67,698 |
| May | 14,792 | 9,106 | 5,870 | 4,380 | 7,598 | 1,877 | 43,623 | 80.4 | 67,339 | 66,862 |
| June | 11,970 | 6,219 | 5,153 | 3,045 | 4,915 | 842 | 32,144 | 78.3 | 65,487 | 65,414 |
| <i>1994-95 p —</i> | | | | | | | | | | |
| July | 14,859 | 9,104 | 6,352 | 4,860 | 11,963 | 1,395 | 48,533 | 81.2 | 62,798 | 63,245 |
| August | 21,535 | 19,323 | 6,788 | 11,213 | 24,758 | 892 | 84,509 | 86.6 | 57,015 | 60,750 |
| September | 26,118 | 28,377 | 5,884 | 15,670 | 29,327 | 1,820 | 107,196 | 86.9 | 66,647 | 57,853 |
| October | 21,346 | 25,639 | 4,065 | 12,518 | 22,108 | 1,940 | 87,616 | 85.8 | 52,688 | 54,751 |
| November | 18,205 | 23,085 | 2,605 | 9,398 | 15,205 | 2,983 | 71,481 | 82.5 | 46,842 | 51,759 |
| December | 10,240 | 15,121 | 1,645 | 3,919 | 5,996 | 1,556 | 38,477 | 81.6 | 49,470 | 49,229 |
| <i>6 Months ended</i> | | | | | | | | | | |
| <i>December—</i> | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1993 | 125,935 | 127,967 | 27,863 | 70,081 | 138,148 | 11,759 | 501,752 | 79.0 | .. | .. |
| 1994 p | 112,304 | 120,647 | 27,338 | 57,579 | 109,357 | 10,586 | 437,812 | 82.2 | .. | .. |

(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 DECEMBER 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 January.

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

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

The percentage change of 9% was chosen because the average absolute monthly percentage change in the seasonally adjusted data since the inception of the series has been 9.08%

| | Trend as published | Trend change with seasonally adjusted January estimate | |
|-----------------|--------------------|--|--------|
| | | +9% | -9% |
| (tonnes) | | | |
| <i>1994-95p</i> | | | |
| July | 63,245 | 63,170 | 63,343 |
| August | 60,750 | 60,575 | 60,880 |
| September | 57,853 | 57,766 | 57,918 |
| October | 54,751 | 54,993 | 54,590 |
| November | 51,759 | 52,625 | 51,294 |
| December | 49,229 | 50,805 | 48,297 |
| January | — | 49,650 | 45,866 |

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

This publication contains information (preliminary where indicated) on livestock slaughterings, meat production, exports of live sheep, fresh, frozen and processed meat and stocks of frozen meat, whole milk intake by factories, market milk sales by factories and receivals 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 receivals

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 livestock slaughterings, red meat, chicken meat, milk and wool are shown in Tables 1, 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. 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. For further information, see *A Guide to Interpreting Time Series - Monitoring "Trends", an Overview* (1348.0) or contact the Assistant Director, Time Series Analysis on (06) 252 6345.

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 publications 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.

Next release date

14. The expected release date for the January 1995 issue of this publication is 1 March 1995. The date can be confirmed a few days prior to release by telephoning (06) 252 5435.

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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