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Apparent Consumption of Selected Foodstuffs

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ABOUT THIS PUBLICATION

This publication contains preliminary statistics on the apparent consumption of selected food items for the year ended 30 June 1997, together with comparative data for earlier years. Final and more detailed statistics and explanations of the methods employed to estimate apparent consumption are published in *Apparent Consumption of Foodstuffs, Australia* (Cat. no. 4306.0).

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SYMBOLS AND OTHER USAGES

| | |
|--------|---|
| kg | kilogram |
| L al | litres alcohol |
| L | litres |
| n.e.i. | not elsewhere included |
| p | preliminary |
| r | figure or series revised since previous issue |
| t | tonnes |

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REVISIONS TO FIGURES

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.

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ROUNDING

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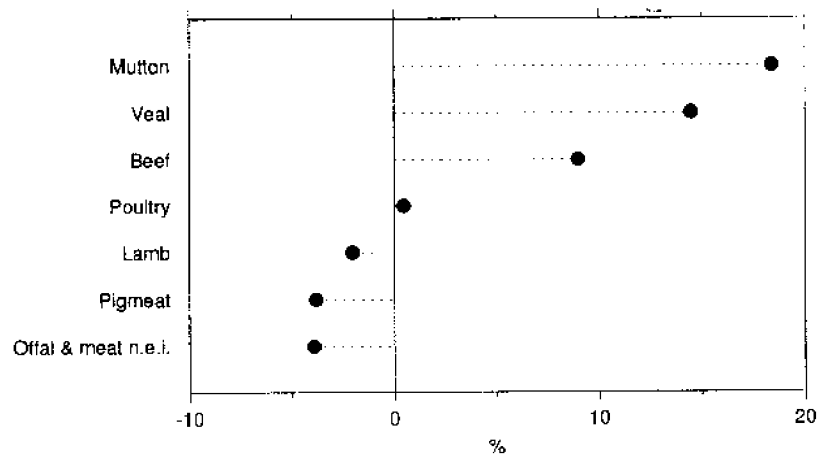
SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

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MEAT, MEAT PRODUCTS AND POULTRY

The preliminary results for 1996-97 show that the apparent consumption of meat and meat products rose by 4.7% compared with the previous year, to 77.1 kg per capita. The major contributors to this increase were beef, up 9.0% to 38.6 kg and mutton, up 18.4% to 6.7 kg per capita. Significant falls were recorded for pigmeat which fell by 3.8% to 17.8 kg, and offal and meat n.e.i., down 3.9% to 1.4 kg per capita. Looking at longer term changes, the per capita consumption of total meat products has declined by 5.0% when compared with 1991-92. Lamb, mutton, pigmeat, and offal and meat n.e.i. all recorded significant falls in per capita consumption when compared with 1991-92. However, beef showed a 7.6% increase over the same period. The apparent consumption of poultry remained relatively stable at 28.1 kg per capita in 1996-97. When compared with 1991-92 the per capita consumption of poultry has increased by 9.6%.

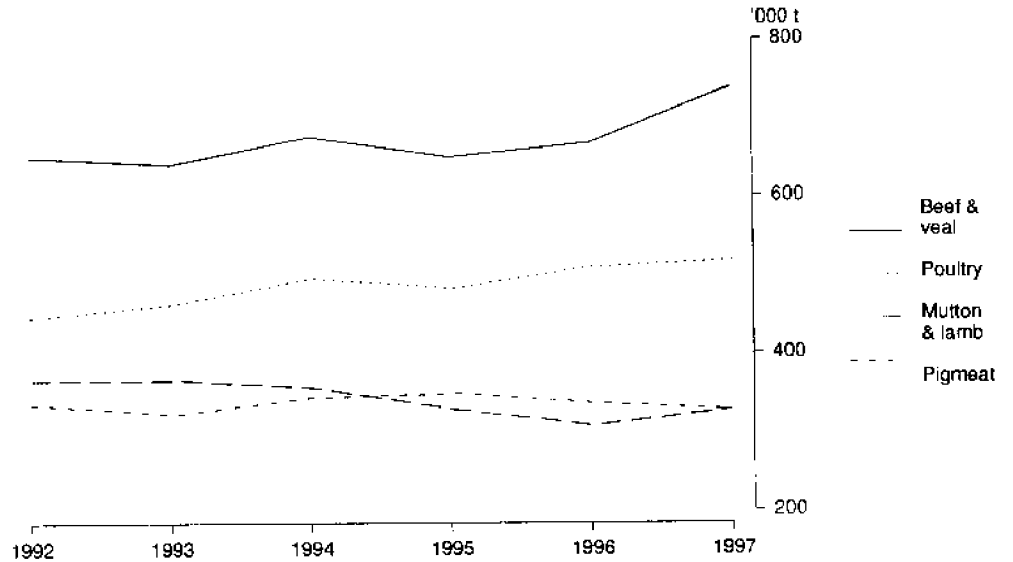
Percentage change between 1995-96p and 1996-97p



The amount of total meat and meat products available for consumption increased 6.1% in 1996-97 when compared with the previous year. Significant increases were recorded for beef and veal (up 10.6%) and mutton (up 19.9%). Since 1991-92 beef and veal available for consumption has increased 13.5%. Poultry available for consumption also increased over this period by 16.1%.

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS *continued*

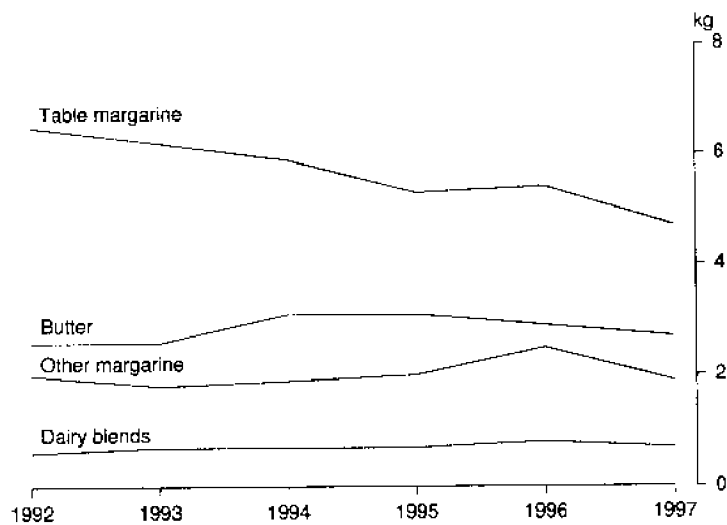
MEAT, MEAT PRODUCTS AND POULTRY *continued*



DAIRY PRODUCTS

The consumption of market milk remained steady at 104.2 litres per capita in 1996-97. Milk intake has increased by 2.8% since 1991-92, when consumption was 101.3 litres per capita.

Butter consumption was 2.7 kg per capita, a marginal fall of 5.5% compared with 1995-96. The per capita consumption of dairy blends also fell, by 10.4% when compared with the previous year.



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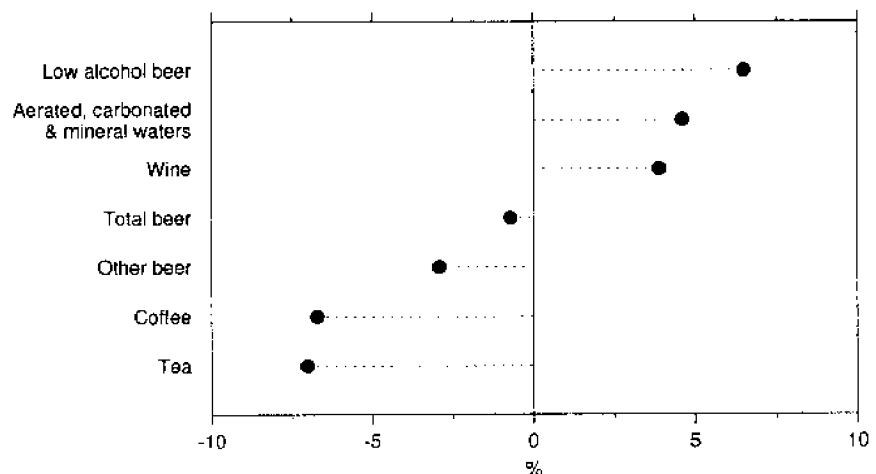
MARGARINE

The apparent per capita consumption of table margarine fell 13.4% in 1996-97 to 4.7 kg; this is 28.1% down on consumption in 1991-92. Other margarine declined by 22.1% to 1.9 kg per capita, after peaking at 2.5 kg per capita in 1995-96. Total margarine fell 16.1% to 6.6 kg in 1996-97. This compares with an increase of 8.0% to 7.9 kg per capita in 1995-96. Since 1991-92, consumption of margarine has declined by 22.6%.

BEVERAGES

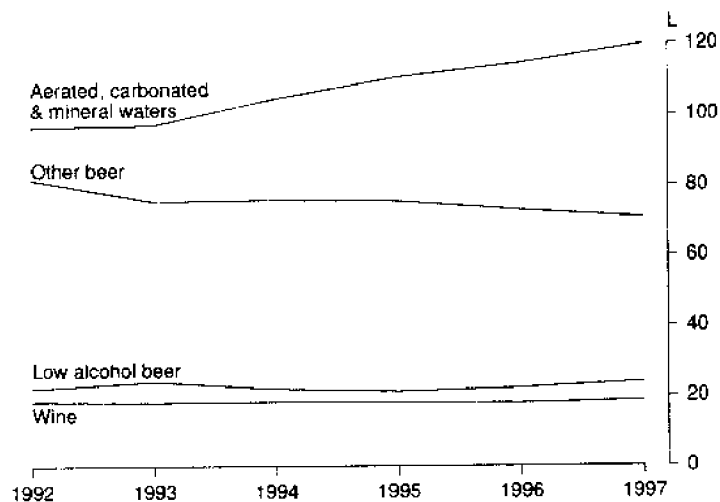
The apparent consumption of low alcohol beer rose 6.7% to 23.9 litres per capita in 1996-97. Other beer fell 2.9% to 70.8 litres per capita. Overall, beer consumption showed a marginal decline with consumption of 94.7 litres per capita. This is the eighth successive fall in per capita consumption of total beer. In 1996-97 the consumption of wine rose 3.9% to 18.8 litres per capita.

The consumption of both tea and coffee declined in 1996-97. The per capita intake of tea fell 7.0% to 0.8 kg and coffee fell 6.7% to 2.0 kg. Aerated, carbonated and mineral waters increased for the fifth consecutive year with an apparent per capita consumption of 119.9 litres per capita, up 4.6% when compared with 1995-96.



SUMMARY OF FINDINGS *continued*

BEVERAGES *continued*



ALCOHOL CONTENT

The trends in consumption of beer and wine are reflected in the apparent per capita consumption of alcohol (expressed in terms of alcohol content). The apparent per capita consumption of alcohol from low alcohol beer increased by 6.5% to 0.74 litres alcohol in 1996–97. Alcohol consumed in other beer fell 2.6% to 3.38 litres alcohol and alcohol consumed in wine rose 2.9% to 2.16 litres alcohol per capita. The consumption of alcohol in spirits declined 5.4% to 1.28 litres alcohol per capita in 1996–97.

The total per capita consumption of alcohol fell marginally from 7.61 litres alcohol in 1995–96 to 7.55 litres alcohol in 1996–97.

ALCOHOL INTAKE BY LEGAL AGE DRINKERS

If the population of those 18 years and over (legal 'drinking age') is used in calculating the apparent consumption of alcoholic beverages, the movements are of a similar magnitude and in the same direction as when the total population is used. Consumption of beer was 127.0 litres per person aged 18 and over, while wine consumption was 25.3 litres.

TOTAL APPARENT CONSUMPTION OF SELECTED FOODSTUFFS

| Foodstuffs | Units | AVAILABLE FOR CONSUMPTION..... | | | | | | % change 1996-97 on 1995-96 |
|---|-----------|--------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|-----------------------------------|
| | | 1991-92 | 1992-93 | 1993-94 | 1994-95p | 1995-96p | 1996-97p | |
| Meat and meat products | | | | | | | | |
| Meat(a) | | | | | | | | |
| Beef | t | 623 168 | 613 668 | r646 742 | r622 495 | 643 300 | 710 499 | 10.4 |
| Veal | t | 27 452 | 27 457 | r28 964 | r27 266 | r24 353 | 28 251 | 16.0 |
| <i>Total beef and veal</i> | t | 650 620 | 641 125 | r675 706 | r649 760 | r667 653 | 738 750 | 10.6 |
| Lamb | t | 232 891 | 219 918 | 206 342 | r213 014 | r204 746 | 203 270 | -0.7 |
| Mutton | t | 132 873 | 146 138 | 149 863 | r115 762 | r103 686 | 124 355 | 19.9 |
| Pigmeat | t | 335 138 | 323 445 | 343 868 | r348 980 | r335 788 | 327 366 | -2.5 |
| <i>Total meat</i> | t | 1 351 521 | r1 330 626 | r1 375 780 | r1 327 516 | r1 311 873 | 1 393 741 | 6.2 |
| Offal and meat n.e.i. | t | r60 018 | r41 469 | r42 324 | r33 984 | r27 333 | 26 610 | -2.6 |
| Total meat and meat products | t | r1 411 539 | r1 372 095 | r1 418 104 | r1 361 500 | r1 339 206 | 1 420 351 | 6.1 |
| Poultry | | | | | | | | |
| Poultry (dressed weight)(b) | t | r446 253 | r462 853 | r494 837 | r482 565 | r508 743 | 518 095 | 1.8 |
| Dairy products | | | | | | | | |
| Market milk(c) | '000 L | 1 762 647 | 1 777 519 | 1 810 200 | 1 848 900 | 1 895 429 | 1 919 874 | 1.3 |
| Butter(d) | t | 45 741 | 45 576 | r55 373 | r55 655 | r51 886 | 49 687 | -4.2 |
| Dairy spreads (product weight)(c) | t | 9 995 | 12 706 | 11 700 | 12 121 | 13 808 | 12 533 | -9.2 |
| Cheese(c)(e) | t | 154 535 | 159 227 | r170 820 | 184 291 | r192 696 | n.a. | n.a. |
| Margarine | | | | | | | | |
| Table | t | 113 750 | 108 365 | 105 141 | r95 721 | r98 704 | 86 595 | -12.3 |
| Other | t | 34 717 | 31 538 | 34 324 | r35 237 | r44 614 | 35 183 | -21.1 |
| <i>Total margarine</i> | t | 148 467 | 139 903 | 139 465 | 130 958 | 143 318 | 121 778 | -15.0 |
| Beverages | | | | | | | | |
| Tea | t | 18 400 | 17 283 | 18 493 | r16 579 | r16 091 | 15 152 | -5.8 |
| Coffee(f) | t | 37 250 | 39 257 | 40 478 | r39 211 | r39 396 | 37 251 | -5.4 |
| Aerated, carbonated and mineral waters(g) | '000 L | 1 679 486 | 1 707 180 | 1 856 487 | r1 985 100 | r2 084 085 | 2 209 135 | 6.0 |
| Beer | | | | | | | | |
| Low alcohol | '000 L | 387 938 | 423 102 | 393 166 | 384 062 | 407 232 | 439 943 | 8.0 |
| Other | '000 L | 1 421 692 | 1 327 269 | 1 347 296 | 1 355 321 | 1 326 722 | 1 304 722 | -1.7 |
| <i>Total beer</i> | '000 L | 1 809 631 | 1 750 371 | 1 740 462 | 1 739 384 | 1 733 954 | 1 744 665 | 0.6 |
| Wine | '000 L | 323 532 | 319 407 | 327 877 | 327 413 | r328 718 | 347 180 | 5.3 |
| Alcohol content(h) | | | | | | | | |
| Beer | | | | | | | | |
| Low alcohol | '000 L al | 11 241 | 12 523 | 11 927 | 11 859 | 12 597 | 13 594 | 7.9 |
| Other | '000 L al | 67 767 | 63 191 | 64 476 | 64 743 | 63 118 | 62 253 | -1.4 |
| <i>Total beer</i> | '000 L al | 79 008 | 75 714 | 76 403 | 76 602 | 75 715 | 75 847 | 0.2 |
| Wine | '000 L al | 37 483 | r36 874 | r37 751 | r37 805 | r38 122 | 39 753 | 4.3 |
| Spirits | '000 L al | 19 450 | 20 511 | 24 284 | r22 645 | r24 620 | 23 594 | -4.2 |
| Total alcohol content | '000 L al | 135 940 | 133 099 | r138 438 | r137 052 | r138 456 | 139 194 | 0.5 |

(a) Expressed in terms of carcass equivalent weight.

(b) Excludes Tasmania, the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory.

(c) Source: Australian Dairy Corporation.

(d) Includes butter equivalent of butter oil, butter concentrate and ghee.

(e) Natural equivalent weight.

(f) Coffee and coffee products in terms of roasted coffee.

(g) Includes bulk pre-mix and post-mix concentrates in terms of drink equivalent.

(h) The alcoholic content of beer has been calculated on the basis of excise data. The alcohol content of wine is calculated using factors from 10.6% by volume to 17.9%.

APPARENT PER CAPITA CONSUMPTION OF SELECTED FOODSTUFFS

| Foodstuffs | Units | APPARENT PER CAPITA CONSUMPTION..... | | | | | | % change 1996-97 on 1995-96(a) |
|---|-------------|--------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------------------------------|
| | | 1991-92 | 1992-93 | 1993-94 | 1994-95p | 1995-96p | 1996-97p | |
| Meat and meat products | | | | | | | | |
| Meat(b) | | | | | | | | |
| Beef | kg | 35.8 | 34.9 | r36.4 | 34.7 | r35.4 | 38.6 | 9.0 |
| Veal | kg | 1.6 | 1.6 | r1.6 | 1.5 | r1.3 | 1.5 | 14.5 |
| Total beef and veal | kg | 37.4 | 36.5 | r38.0 | 36.2 | r36.7 | 40.1 | 9.2 |
| Lamb) | kg | 13.4 | 12.5 | 11.6 | r11.9 | r11.3 | 11.0 | -2.0 |
| Mutton | kg | 7.6 | 8.3 | 8.4 | r6.4 | r5.7 | 6.7 | 18.4 |
| Pigmeat | kg | 19.3 | 18.4 | 19.4 | 19.4 | r18.5 | 17.8 | -3.8 |
| Total meat | kg | 77.7 | 75.7 | r77.5 | r73.9 | r72.1 | 75.6 | 4.9 |
| Offal and meat n.e.i. | kg | r3.5 | r2.4 | r2.4 | r1.9 | r1.5 | 1.4 | -3.9 |
| Total meat and meat products | kg | r81.2 | r78.0 | r79.8 | r75.8 | r73.6 | 77.1 | 4.7 |
| Poultry | | | | | | | | |
| Poultry (dressed weight)(c) | kg | r25.7 | r26.3 | r27.9 | r26.9 | r28.0 | 28.1 | 0.5 |
| Dairy products | | | | | | | | |
| Market milk | L | 101.3 | 101.1 | r101.9 | 103.0 | r104.2 | 104.2 | 0.0 |
| Butter(d) | kg | 2.6 | 2.6 | r3.1 | 3.1 | r2.9 | 2.7 | -5.5 |
| Dairy spreads (product weight) | kg | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.8 | 0.7 | -10.4 |
| Cheese(e) | kg | 8.9 | 9.1 | r9.6 | 10.3 | 10.6 | n.a. | n.a. |
| Margarine | | | | | | | | |
| Table | kg | 6.5 | 6.2 | 5.9 | 5.3 | r5.4 | 4.7 | -13.4 |
| Other | kg | 2.0 | 1.8 | 1.9 | 2.0 | r2.5 | 1.9 | -22.1 |
| Total margarine | kg | 8.5 | 8.0 | 7.9 | 7.3 | 7.9 | 6.6 | -16.1 |
| Beverages | | | | | | | | |
| Tea | kg | 1.1 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 0.8 | -7.0 |
| Coffee(f) | kg | 2.1 | 2.2 | 2.3 | 2.2 | 2.2 | 2.0 | -6.7 |
| Aerated, carbonated & mineral waters(g) | L | 96.6 | 97.1 | r104.5 | r110.6 | r114.6 | 119.9 | 4.6 |
| Beer | | | | | | | | |
| Low alcohol | L | 22.3 | 24.1 | 22.1 | 21.4 | 22.4 | 23.9 | 6.7 |
| Other | L | 81.7 | 75.5 | 75.9 | 75.5 | r72.9 | 70.8 | -2.9 |
| Total beer | L | 104.0 | r99.5 | 98.0 | 96.9 | r95.3 | 94.7 | -0.7 |
| Wine | L | 18.6 | 18.2 | 18.5 | r18.2 | 18.1 | 18.8 | 3.9 |
| Alcohol content(h) | | | | | | | | |
| Beer | | | | | | | | |
| Low alcohol | L al | 0.65 | 0.71 | 0.67 | 0.66 | 0.69 | 0.74 | 6.5 |
| Other | L al | 3.90 | 3.59 | 3.63 | 3.61 | 3.47 | 3.38 | -2.6 |
| Total beer | L al | 4.54 | 4.31 | 4.30 | 4.27 | r4.16 | 4.12 | -1.1 |
| Wine | L al | 2.16 | 2.10 | 2.13 | 2.11 | r2.10 | 2.16 | 2.9 |
| Spirits | L al | 1.12 | 1.17 | 1.37 | r1.26 | 1.35 | 1.28 | -5.4 |
| Total alcohol content | L al | 7.82 | 7.57 | 7.79 | r7.63 | 7.61 | 7.55 | -0.8 |

BASED ON POPULATION 18 YEARS AND OVER

| | | | | | | | | |
|-------------|---|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------|-------|------|
| Beer | | | | | | | | |
| Low alcohol | L | 30.3 | 32.6 | 29.9 | 28.8 | 30.1 | 32.0 | 6.4 |
| Other | L | 111.0 | 102.2 | 102.4 | 101.7 | r98.1 | 95.0 | -3.1 |
| Total beer | L | 141.3 | 134.8 | 132.3 | r130.6 | r128.2 | 127.0 | -0.9 |
| Wine | | | | | | | | |
| Wine | L | 25.3 | 24.6 | 24.9 | 24.6 | r24.4 | 25.3 | 3.7 |

(a) These movements have been calculated using the unrounded estimates.

(b) Expressed in terms of carcass equivalent weight.

(c) Excludes Tasmania, the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory.

(d) Includes butter equivalent of butter oil, butter concentrate and ghee.

(e) Natural equivalent weight.

(f) Coffee and coffee products in terms of roasted coffee.

(g) Includes bulk pre-mix and post-mix concentrates in terms of drink equivalent.

(h) The alcoholic content of beer has been calculated on the basis of excise data. The alcohol content of wine is calculated using factors ranging from 10.6% by volume to 17.9%.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

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INTRODUCTION

1 In general, the method employed to estimate apparent consumption in Australia of each of the various foodstuffs included in this publication is as follows:

Apparent consumption =
Commercial production
+ Estimated home production
+ Imports
+ Opening stocks
- Exports
- Usage for processed food
- Non-food usage
- Wastage
- Closing stocks

Per capita consumption = Apparent consumption divided by the mean resident population for that period.

2 The per capita apparent consumption figures shown in this publication have been calculated using the mean resident population, which is compiled according to the place of usual residence of the population and includes an estimate for those persons temporarily overseas.

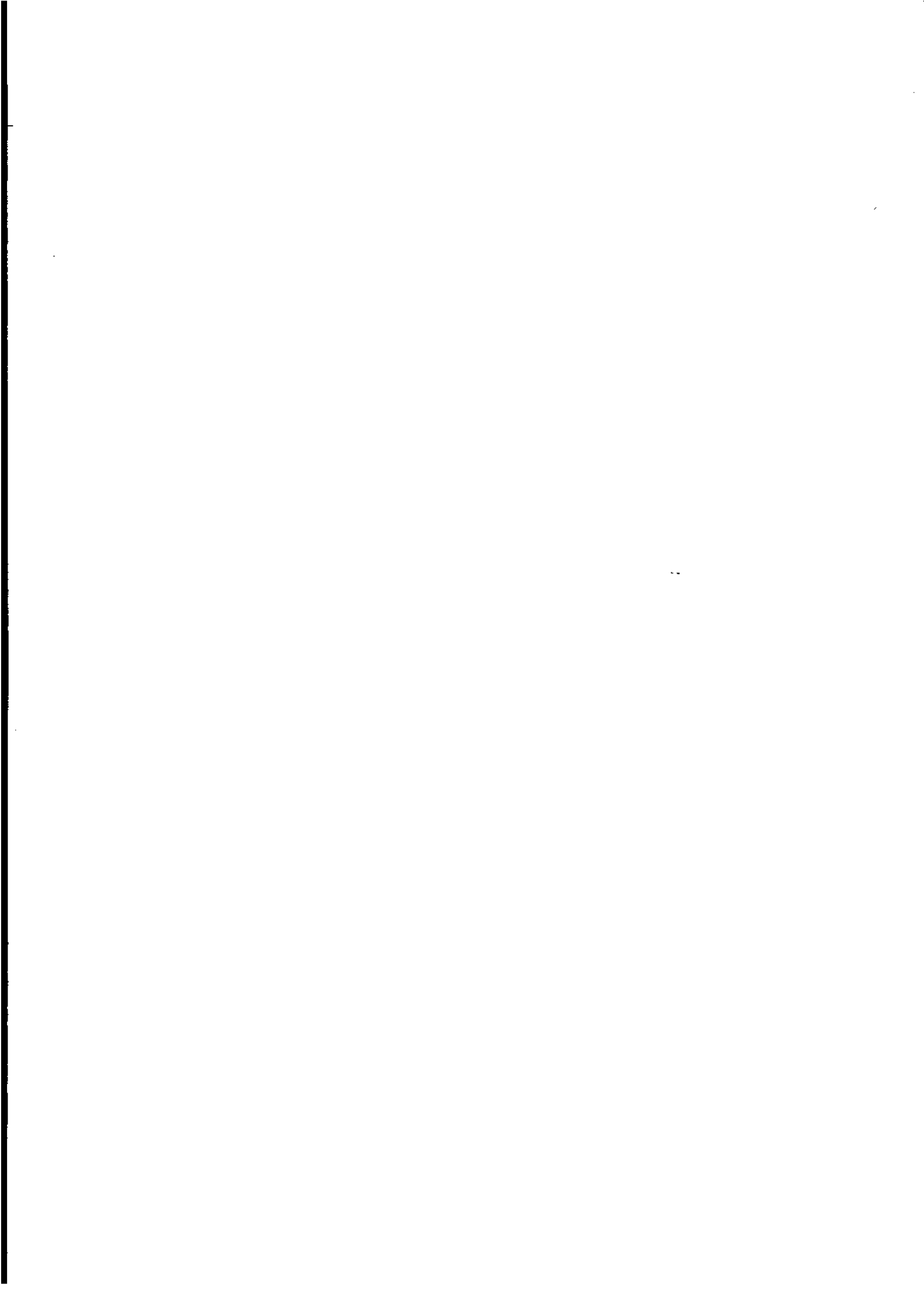
3 The following mean resident population figures (year ended 30 June basis) have been used for the calculation of per capita apparent consumption shown in this publication:

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|---------|------------|
| 1991-92 | 17,393,341 |
| 1992-93 | 17,583,167 |
| 1993-94 | 17,759,907 |
| 1994-95 | 17,953,622 |
| 1995-96 | 18,191,265 |
| 1996-97 | 18,426,926 |

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