

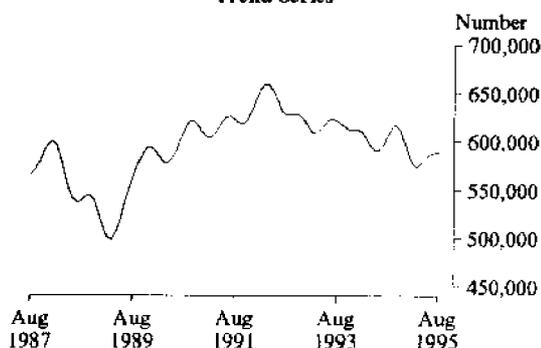
**LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS, AUSTRALIA
AUGUST 1995**

MAIN FEATURES

Livestock Slaughtering

The trend estimate for cattle slaughterings rose marginally in August 1995, and since the last trough in March 1995 has risen 2.6 per cent. The trend estimate for calves fell 0.9 per cent in August, and is 1.8 per cent below the last peak which occurred in May 1995.

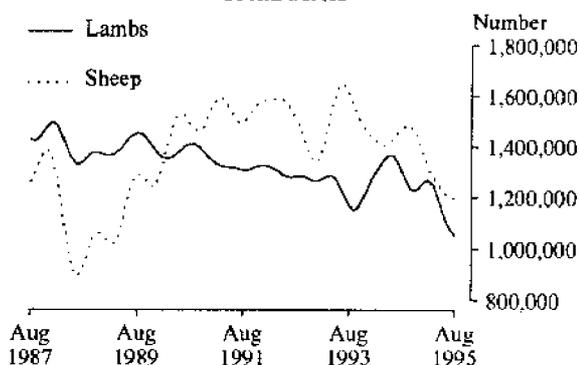
**CATTLE SLAUGHTERINGS,
AUSTRALIA
Trend Series**



Sheep slaughterings have fallen 19.6 per cent since the last peak in September 1994. The trend estimate for lamb slaughterings also fell in August 1995, down 2.0 per cent compared with July. The trend estimate is now 17.1 per cent below the last peak which occurred in February 1995.

The trend estimate for pig slaughterings fell 0.9 per cent in August 1995. The estimate is now 5.4 per cent below the last peak which occurred in November 1994.

**SHEEP AND LAMB SLAUGHTERINGS,
AUSTRALIA
Trend Series**



Red Meat

Since March 1995 the trend estimate for red meat has declined steadily and is now 8.1 per cent below the previous peak in October 1994. The trend estimate for beef has been relatively stable in recent months. Since peaking in May 1995 it has fallen 0.8 per cent. The trend estimate for mutton rose 1.4 per cent in August following the trough in June 1995. However, it is 17.6 per cent below the previous peak in August 1994. The decline in the trend estimate for lamb weakened in August 1995 with a fall of 1.1 per cent. It is now 11.6 per cent below the estimate for February 1995. The trend estimate for pigmeat continues to be stable.

Chicken Meat

The trend estimate for chicken meat production has been falling gradually in recent months. Since peaking in February 1995 it has fallen 2.9 per cent.

Whole Milk Intake

The trend estimate for whole milk intake rose 2.1 per cent in July 1995. Since the last trough in February 1995 it has risen 7.9 per cent.

Wool Receipts by Brokers and Dealers

The trend estimate for wool receipts by brokers and dealers fell 2.5 per cent in August. This estimate is 12.3 per cent below the last peak which occurred in February 1995.

Live Exports

The number of live sheep exported was 613,800 in July 1995, more than double the relatively low number in June. The unit value (\$41.68) rose 9.5 per cent and the gross value (\$25.6 million) increased threefold. The number exported during 1994-95 rose 2.0 per cent on 1993-94.

Live cattle exports in July 1995 rose 4.2 per cent to 49,400, and the gross value rose 2.6 per cent to \$27.4 million. The July unit value (\$554.28) fell 1.6 per cent compared with June 1995. Live cattle exports have grown significantly during 1994-95 with the number exported 64.3 per cent higher than exports for the previous year.

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TABLE 1. NUMBERS OF LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED
(^{'000})

	NSW	Vic.	Old	SA	WA	Tas.	Aust.	Seas- onally adjusted	Trend estimate(b)
BULLS, BULLOCKS AND STEERS (a)									
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	..	..
1994-95 p	1,099.6	770.1	1,595.1	206.1	243.4	110.0	4,033.6	..	..
<i>1993-94 —</i>									
June	83.2	62.7	125.2	9.2	19.9	8.8	310.9	313.8	326.0
<i>1994-95 p —</i>									
July	84.6	53.6	148.9	7.5	15.8	6.4	318.4	325.2	328.4
August	98.0	54.7	155.5	12.0	19.5	5.9	347.5	329.2	335.1
September	103.1	60.9	177.9	17.8	21.1	6.3	389.0	351.0	343.1
October	95.6	64.9	152.8	24.4	22.8	6.2	368.2	346.5	349.1
November	113.7	73.1	160.0	17.7	24.8	9.3	398.7	347.5	350.6
December	84.6	69.7	120.1	26.3	26.0	11.3	338.1	376.2	345.2
January	82.5	58.0	71.7	18.3	20.3	11.3	262.1	329.6	335.5
February	82.6	63.9	95.7	17.8	19.1	9.3	288.4	312.0	326.5
March	100.6	63.0	113.8	20.8	23.4	13.0	334.8	317.6	321.6
April	80.2	59.8	109.2	13.1	14.1	9.5	286.0	310.4	321.9
May	94.2	72.4	125.7	17.6	18.0	10.9	339.5	312.5	325.9
June	79.8	76.2	163.8	12.7	18.4	10.5	362.9	373.9	330.8
<i>1995-96 p —</i>									
July	73.6	68.9	135.1	7.6	17.1	8.1	313.9	325.4	335.1
August	78.0	69.4	159.4	11.4	18.7	5.0	347.9	327.1	337.9
<i>2 Months ended August —</i>									
1994	182.6	108.3	304.4	19.5	35.3	12.3	665.9	..	..
1995 p	151.6	138.3	294.5	19.0	35.8	13.1	661.7	..	..
COWS AND HEIFERS (a)									
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	..	..
1994-95 p	941.2	661.3	959.5	218.1	186.1	97.4	3,136.3	..	..
<i>1993-94 —</i>									
June	86.6	48.7	92.0	14.2	11.1	7.5	272.6	254.3	265.9
<i>1994-95 p —</i>									
July	65.4	50.1	108.2	9.4	12.4	5.3	259.5	260.6	269.1
August	83.1	49.2	109.6	15.2	14.4	4.3	287.4	283.5	271.6
September	83.8	61.3	93.4	17.0	16.8	5.7	288.7	284.3	270.9
October	86.9	60.3	72.7	11.9	15.1	6.9	258.9	271.1	266.9
November	86.9	46.3	64.2	21.4	16.4	7.5	247.0	239.8	260.5
December	69.1	52.6	57.9	11.1	19.9	9.2	222.8	260.1	253.4
January	65.9	44.6	40.6	22.3	17.0	7.9	201.3	253.9	248.7
February	66.8	53.7	60.2	21.5	17.2	8.2	230.8	237.6	248.2
March	78.2	67.6	80.0	25.1	17.2	12.0	284.2	253.6	251.0
April	72.5	52.8	65.6	19.8	14.6	9.8	238.3	241.8	254.3
May	96.0	65.3	112.3	22.3	14.8	10.3	327.1	268.9	256.2
June	86.7	57.5	94.9	21.1	10.1	10.3	290.4	277.0	256.8
<i>1995-96 p —</i>									
July	75.5	44.6	76.4	13.1	12.0	5.8	233.0	238.3	256.4
August	77.5	44.6	90.4	16.0	15.1	4.8	255.2	250.0	255.5
<i>2 Months ended August —</i>									
1994	148.4	99.4	217.8	24.6	26.8	9.6	547.0
1995 p	153.1	89.2	166.9	29.2	27.1	10.7	488.2

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	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	Aust.	Seas- onally adjusted	Trend estimate(b)
TOTAL, CATTLE (excludes calves) (a)									
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	..	..
1994-95 p	2,040.8	1,431.4	2,554.7	424.2	429.5	207.4	7,169.8	..	..
1993-94 —									
June	169.7	111.4	217.2	23.4	31.0	16.3	583.5	550.3	590.9
1994-95 p—									
July	149.9	103.7	257.1	16.9	28.2	11.7	577.9	592.3	595.9
August	181.1	103.9	265.1	27.2	34.0	10.3	634.9	610.6	605.3
September	186.9	122.2	271.3	34.8	37.9	12.0	677.6	633.9	613.7
October	182.5	125.1	225.6	36.3	37.9	13.1	627.1	617.5	616.8
November	200.6	119.4	224.2	39.1	41.2	16.8	645.6	590.3	612.4
December	153.8	122.3	178.0	37.4	45.9	20.5	560.9	645.0	600.1
January	148.4	102.6	112.3	40.6	37.3	19.2	463.4	576.4	585.6
February	149.4	117.7	155.9	39.3	36.3	17.5	519.3	550.8	576.2
March	178.8	130.7	193.8	46.0	40.6	25.0	619.0	569.6	573.6
April	152.7	112.5	174.8	32.9	28.8	19.3	524.4	559.3	576.4
May	190.2	137.7	237.9	39.9	32.9	21.2	666.6	589.0	581.3
June	166.5	133.7	258.7	33.8	28.6	20.8	653.2	631.0	585.6
1995-96 p—									
July	149.1	113.5	211.6	20.7	29.2	13.9	546.8	568.8	588.1
August	155.5	114.0	249.8	27.4	33.8	9.8	603.1	570.3	588.5
2 Months ended August									
1994	331.1	207.7	522.2	44.1	62.1	22.0	1,212.8	..	..
1995 p	304.7	227.5	461.4	48.1	62.9	23.7	1,149.9	..	..
CALVES									
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	..	..
1994-95 p	247.6	640.0	114.6	12.0	4.4	28.7	1,049.5	..	..
1993-94 —									
June	22.4	89.0	13.4	0.7	0.6	0.4	126.5	101.7	87.5
1994-95 p									
July	19.0	79.7	10.2	0.8	0.4	1.4	111.6	84.2	89.7
August	25.6	170.0	9.6	1.2	0.5	8.4	215.4	85.4	91.4
September	21.7	121.7	9.9	1.3	0.5	11.6	166.9	87.3	91.9
October	22.8	69.4	9.4	1.1	0.3	2.9	106.1	102.9	91.7
November	22.1	23.5	8.6	1.0	0.3	0.5	56.3	92.5	90.9
December	13.0	7.9	8.7	0.7	0.4	0.1	30.9	84.9	89.0
January	18.6	5.8	9.8	1.0	0.5	0.1	35.9	87.1	86.1
February	18.6	4.8	8.8	0.6	0.3	0.1	33.4	81.3	83.5
March	25.0	11.0	10.1	1.2	0.4	0.4	48.4	85.4	82.3
April	17.0	24.3	8.1	0.8	0.3	1.0	51.7	75.5	82.4
May	21.3	47.6	10.5	1.3	0.3	1.2	82.4	79.1	82.7
June	23.0	74.2	10.9	1.1	0.2	0.9	110.6	93.8	82.6
1995-96 p—									
July	18.9	81.6	9.6	1.1	0.3	1.1	112.6	85.8	82.0
August	24.1	137.0	8.9	1.4	0.3	14.0	185.8	71.4	81.2
2 Months ended August —									
1994	44.6	249.8	19.8	1.9	0.9	9.8	326.9
1995 p	43.0	218.6	18.4	2.4	0.5	15.1	298.3

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	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	Aust.	Seas- onally adjusted	Trend estimate(b)
SHEEP									
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	..	..
1994-95 p	6,504.7	3,188.9	476.6	3,108.9	2,391.6	565.5	16,386.0	..	..
<i>1993-94 —</i>									
June	479.6	195.2	58.6	155.0	152.5	55.3	1,113.8	1,400.0	1,429.5
<i>1994-95 p -</i>									
July	472.2	187.7	55.3	125.9	171.0	31.7	1,054.9	1,389.3	1,453.9
August	504.7	202.8	55.0	166.5	165.3	20.9	1,130.0	1,381.6	1,474.5
September	645.9	246.5	49.5	346.6	198.9	39.4	1,540.0	1,660.5	1,484.1
October	656.0	327.0	45.0	303.6	214.2	36.2	1,594.8	1,492.3	1,478.1
November	650.4	401.0	37.0	374.1	195.8	63.2	1,737.7	1,399.5	1,455.9
December	538.2	351.7	27.8	310.2	230.7	64.2	1,534.1	1,399.4	1,417.1
January	534.4	330.5	28.8	301.9	220.2	50.1	1,476.5	1,408.5	1,366.8
February	492.9	330.6	28.0	277.9	217.1	58.6	1,415.6	1,288.8	1,318.9
March	560.5	295.1	37.8	320.6	242.4	68.6	1,536.9	1,296.5	1,282.5
April	457.5	182.6	34.5	245.6	191.7	46.3	1,171.7	1,214.0	1,255.6
May	557.6	186.2	39.1	219.9	198.5	43.6	1,258.7	1,260.0	1,231.5
June	434.3	147.3	38.6	116.0	145.9	42.8	935.0	1,200.8	1,213.0
<i>1995-96 p—</i>									
July	452.8	150.0	37.6	87.4	145.0	18.6	902.1	1,196.7	1,198.8
August	437.2	160.7	38.3	128.0	191.2	18.2	984.2	1,200.6	1,192.9
<i>2 Months ended August —</i>									
1994	976.9	390.5	110.4	292.5	336.4	52.5	2,184.9	..	..
1995 p	890.0	310.7	75.9	215.4	336.2	36.9	1,886.3	..	..
LAMBS									
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	..	..
1994-95 p	4,087.9	6,216.2	469.8	1,917.6	1,262.3	475.6	14,817.6	..	..
<i>1993-94 —</i>									
June	357.5	504.3	57.9	223.3	79.1	52.6	1,315.8	1,360.6	1,364.3
<i>1994-95 p -</i>									
July	384.4	507.5	50.5	160.2	59.0	39.3	1,231.2	1,345.5	1,340.7
August	485.6	568.8	49.6	168.9	90.4	36.9	1,442.2	1,360.4	1,301.5
September	337.9	574.9	42.5	208.7	167.9	37.2	1,403.3	1,300.7	1,261.5
October	321.8	581.8	31.8	142.1	163.1	30.4	1,304.1	1,157.4	1,233.2
November	298.8	571.6	27.1	175.9	82.9	37.3	1,223.0	1,103.8	1,226.5
December	276.5	516.6	22.7	152.7	121.6	41.3	1,157.8	1,248.3	1,241.2
January	413.3	464.5	28.4	158.0	91.0	40.7	1,227.0	1,374.2	1,261.8
February	292.4	478.4	27.2	165.1	113.5	37.1	1,144.4	1,279.2	1,269.8
March	351.7	522.7	46.7	190.2	117.2	48.3	1,315.4	1,254.5	1,251.8
April	318.6	464.2	46.8	141.2	97.8	41.1	1,145.3	1,233.8	1,207.7
May	337.7	512.0	52.0	143.7	96.2	41.1	1,218.6	1,137.3	1,154.5
June	269.2	453.2	44.6	110.7	61.8	44.8	1,005.4	1,056.4	1,109.7
<i>1995-96 p</i>									
July	274.3	449.5	38.1	97.5	53.5	25.6	960.6	1,062.4	1,074.0
August	324.2	494.8	40.1	167.0	92.3	27.3	1,167.9	1,090.0	1,052.5
<i>2 Months ended August —</i>									
1994	870.0	1,076.3	100.1	329.2	149.4	76.1	2,673.4
1995 p	598.5	944.4	78.3	264.4	145.8	52.9	2,128.4

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	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	Aust.	Seas- onally adjusted	Trend estimate(b)
	PIGS								
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	..	..
1994-95 p	1,488.5	1,196.6	1,148.9	470.1	603.3	92.9	5,097.3	..	..
<i>1993-94 —</i>									
June	137.8	103.0	110.1	41.5	52.2	9.9	464.0	428.6	426.8
<i>1994-95 p</i>									
July	110.3	91.8	97.2	38.9	49.0	7.6	404.8	414.9	425.1
August	134.5	99.1	96.1	46.2	49.8	7.3	442.3	423.9	425.1
September	111.9	110.1	99.5	36.8	47.4	7.9	421.1	417.7	426.9
October	121.5	101.6	94.3	41.4	48.0	6.7	421.5	447.3	429.6
November	129.2	97.6	99.6	51.3	52.9	8.0	448.1	429.3	431.0
December	139.9	104.9	94.3	37.6	49.5	9.7	443.0	426.2	429.8
January	110.0	88.9	80.4	35.2	42.9	5.8	369.9	428.6	426.7
February	114.7	89.9	91.2	42.2	46.2	7.0	398.3	430.5	423.6
March	131.4	106.7	103.2	33.4	52.8	8.8	444.9	414.0	421.4
April	113.0	84.3	85.7	30.1	51.1	7.2	378.7	402.9	419.9
May	132.8	114.9	100.4	43.0	56.3	8.2	464.8	429.4	418.0
June	139.4	106.7	107.0	34.2	57.5	8.6	459.9	435.9	415.2
<i>1995-96 p...</i>									
July	117.9	87.9	86.5	33.4	52.6	6.5	391.3	401.3	411.6
August	120.3	100.5	96.0	37.5	52.4	7.3	420.9	397.0	407.9
<i>2 Months ended August —</i>									
1994	244.8	190.9	193.3	85.1	98.8	14.9	847.2	..	..
1995 p	238.2	188.4	182.5	70.8	105.0	13.8	812.2	..	..

(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.	Seasonally adjusted	Trend estimate(b)
BEEF (c)									
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	..	..
1994-95 p	469,488	317,105	694,550	99,121	96,920	49,725	1,741,983	..	..
<i>1993-94 —</i>									
June	39,445	24,781	57,642	5,377	6,670	3,962	140,214	133,384	145,817
<i>1994-95 p—</i>									
July	35,850	23,328	69,661	3,793	6,112	2,789	143,234	144,390	145,471
August	42,664	20,893	70,400	6,061	7,592	2,449	152,399	142,202	146,820
September	43,695	25,307	75,101	8,132	8,459	2,824	165,900	157,398	148,664
October	42,057	27,899	60,905	8,284	8,764	3,160	152,292	153,435	149,746
November	45,192	26,809	62,907	8,927	9,348	4,143	158,154	138,838	149,212
December	35,023	27,469	49,828	8,859	10,569	5,104	137,474	159,972	146,591
January	34,189	23,167	31,450	9,623	8,421	4,787	112,253	142,330	143,211
February	34,274	25,760	44,006	9,445	8,270	4,424	126,808	132,084	140,896
March	41,967	29,632	53,539	11,089	9,373	5,931	152,337	137,025	140,006
April	35,011	25,434	48,232	7,764	6,501	4,370	127,872	141,985	140,165
May	42,774	30,426	63,477	9,421	7,332	4,881	159,609	140,818	140,386
June	36,792	30,983	65,044	7,723	6,179	4,864	153,651	150,034	140,381
<i>1995-96 p—</i>									
July	31,152	26,237	57,869	3,526	6,130	3,695	129,769	135,181	139,992
August	34,443	23,804	66,485	6,588	7,515	2,312	143,874	134,089	139,278
<i>2 Months ended August —</i>									
1994	78,513	44,221	140,061	9,854	13,704	5,237	295,633	..	..
1995 p	65,594	50,041	124,354	10,115	13,645	6,006	273,642	..	..
VEAL									
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	..	..
1994-95 p	16,658	14,294	4,845	435	285	973	37,615	..	..
<i>1993-94 —</i>									
June	1,718	1,894	507	21	35	10	4,191	3,516	3,184
<i>1994-95 p—</i>									
July	1,452	1,859	429	26	26	39	3,836	3,195	3,274
August	1,692	3,375	442	42	31	207	5,799	3,206	3,345
September	1,371	2,721	413	55	31	424	5,025	3,395	3,344
October	1,378	1,502	382	39	22	125	3,457	3,509	3,298
November	1,442	581	338	44	23	18	2,463	3,360	3,224
December	867	275	341	27	26	10	1,554	2,732	3,126
January	1,266	226	387	46	33	11	1,980	3,108	3,023
February	1,262	203	365	25	22	7	1,891	2,910	2,935
March	1,751	328	448	39	25	18	2,622	3,244	2,890
April	1,114	582	336	27	17	36	2,119	2,477	2,882
May	1,439	1,072	484	35	16	39	3,100	2,705	2,882
June	1,623	1,572	482	31	14	38	3,770	3,293	2,878
<i>1995-96 p—</i>									
July	1,293	1,577	425	31	17	30	3,380	2,819	2,872
August	1,658	2,773	358	39	19	353	5,209	2,801	2,876
<i>2 Months ended August —</i>									
1994	3,145	5,234	871	68	57	246	9,635	..	..
1995 p	2,951	4,350	784	70	36	382	8,589	..	..

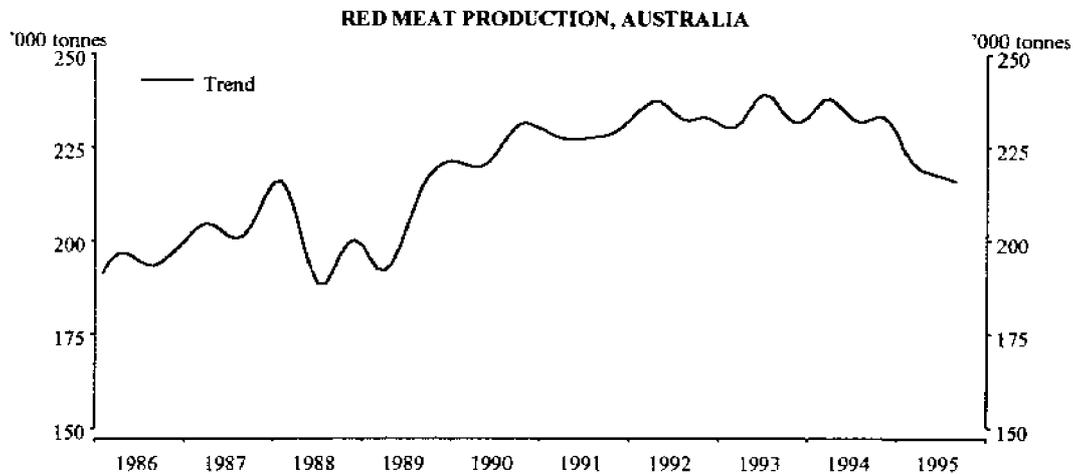
TABLE 2. RED MEAT PRODUCED (a)
(Tonnes carcass weight)—continued

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	Aust.	Seasonally adjusted	Trend estimate(b)
MUTTON									
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	..	..
1994-95 p	129,688	63,297	9,143	66,623	47,002	11,157	329,840	..	..
1993-94—									
June	9,993	4,144	1,197	3,411	3,574	1,030	23,740	30,416	30,239
1994-95 p—									
July	9,840	3,987	1,107	2,752	3,282	628	21,821	28,911	30,324
August	10,049	3,840	835	3,538	3,260	415	22,244	27,504	30,338
September	12,982	5,026	979	7,529	4,029	773	31,566	33,771	30,237
October	13,385	6,775	917	6,603	4,042	723	32,739	30,129	29,956
November	13,496	8,148	722	8,282	3,849	1,277	36,112	28,433	29,436
December	10,989	6,956	537	6,781	4,777	1,275	31,569	28,695	28,599
January	10,742	6,467	543	6,409	4,344	969	29,688	28,906	27,454
February	9,443	6,431	560	5,883	4,273	1,130	27,904	24,715	26,268
March	10,958	5,578	744	6,753	4,740	1,311	30,316	25,595	25,377
April	8,894	3,478	672	5,054	3,633	884	22,805	24,398	24,859
May	10,509	3,695	763	4,543	3,880	895	24,521	24,870	24,586
June	8,400	2,917	763	2,495	2,891	877	18,554	23,879	24,554
1995-96 p.									
July	9,149	2,939	715	1,967	2,843	389	18,225	24,508	24,657
August	8,999	3,241	684	3,061	3,822	378	20,427	26,115	24,991
2 Months ended August—									
1994	19,889	7,827	1,942	6,289	6,543	1,043	44,066	..	..
1995 p	18,148	6,180	1,400	5,028	6,665	766	38,652	..	..
LAMB									
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	..	..
1994-95 p	70,881	109,221	7,847	36,195	19,250	8,083	258,967	..	..
1993-94—									
June	6,327	9,326	979	4,636	1,223	864	24,120	24,996	24,984
1994-95 p—									
July	6,916	9,189	849	3,159	933	715	22,372	24,903	24,491
August	9,004	9,726	764	3,272	1,408	686	25,601	25,594	23,553
September	6,022	9,785	723	3,934	2,589	386	24,351	22,216	22,440
October	5,665	10,295	535	2,509	2,499	565	22,647	19,602	21,477
November	5,265	10,028	453	3,244	1,220	657	21,752	19,842	20,995
December	4,555	8,995	385	2,816	1,866	691	19,810	21,134	21,074
January	5,475	8,244	496	2,972	1,437	681	19,879	21,630	21,465
February	5,096	8,525	470	3,128	1,834	615	20,279	23,098	21,729
March	6,462	9,378	790	3,703	1,717	808	23,369	22,286	21,576
April	5,632	7,884	787	2,691	1,480	689	19,718	20,989	20,985
May	5,971	9,183	867	2,723	1,410	761	21,522	19,843	20,292
June	4,818	7,991	726	2,046	856	829	17,668	18,861	19,757
1995-96 p—									
July	4,975	7,240	643	1,799	925	481	16,483	18,269	19,422
August	5,850	8,997	684	3,204	1,609	514	21,435	21,255	19,215
2 Months ended August—									
1994	15,920	18,915	1,613	6,431	2,341	1,401	47,973	..	..
1995 p	10,826	16,237	1,327	5,003	2,534	995	37,918	..	..

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

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	Aust.	Seas- onally adjusted	Trend estimate(b)
PIGMEAT									
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	..	..
1994-95 p	100,434	84,411	82,235	33,033	36,914	6,132	349,297	..	..
1993-94 —									
June	9,212	6,857	7,803	3,021	3,097	728	31,330	28,970	28,539
1994-95 p—									
July	7,396	6,289	6,985	2,787	2,896	484	27,356	27,528	28,315
August	8,460	6,814	6,766	3,104	2,956	517	29,179	27,911	28,322
September	7,430	7,379	6,935	2,550	2,846	549	28,274	27,082	28,539
October	7,971	7,165	6,881	3,094	2,882	474	28,979	30,895	28,857
November	8,452	7,216	7,186	3,784	2,990	493	30,727	29,435	29,068
December	8,611	7,303	6,469	2,929	3,113	649	29,500	28,843	29,116
January	7,143	6,182	5,669	2,368	2,500	381	24,632	29,009	29,109
February	7,270	6,187	6,608	2,684	2,580	464	26,215	28,750	29,147
March	9,591	7,471	7,302	2,285	3,233	572	31,040	29,015	29,278
April	8,320	5,991	6,207	2,069	3,372	464	26,844	28,487	29,478
May	10,139	8,409	7,406	3,009	3,713	532	33,812	31,444	29,602
June	9,650	8,005	7,822	2,370	3,835	553	32,738	30,673	29,565
1995-96 p—									
July	8,182	6,464	6,293	2,161	3,288	426	27,219	27,678	29,418
August	9,214	7,401	6,954	2,614	3,227	475	30,460	28,947	29,227
2 Months ended August —									
1994	15,856	13,103	13,751	5,890	5,852	1,001	56,535	..	..
1995 p	17,396	13,865	13,247	4,776	6,515	901	57,679	..	..
TOTAL RED MEAT (c)									
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	..	..
1994-95 p	788,487	592,986	798,619	235,407	200,371	76,070	2,723,885	..	..
1993-94 —									
June	66,695	47,001	68,128	16,465	14,599	6,594	223,595	221,282	232,613
1994-95 p—									
July	61,454	44,652	79,030	12,517	13,249	4,654	218,619	228,926	231,872
August	71,869	44,648	79,208	16,016	15,247	4,274	235,223	226,416	232,732
September	71,500	50,217	84,151	22,201	17,955	4,955	255,116	243,862	234,018
October	70,458	53,636	69,619	20,528	18,209	5,047	240,115	237,570	234,486
November	75,185	57,440	71,606	24,280	17,429	6,587	255,420	225,310	233,224
December	60,044	50,997	57,559	21,411	20,352	7,731	219,879	241,343	229,657
January	58,815	44,285	38,545	21,419	16,736	6,829	188,431	224,982	225,051
February	57,345	47,105	52,009	21,165	16,979	6,640	203,095	211,556	221,324
March	70,730	52,386	62,824	23,870	19,087	8,641	239,685	217,165	219,133
April	58,971	43,368	56,234	17,605	15,002	6,444	199,357	218,336	218,250
May	70,832	52,784	72,998	19,731	16,350	7,108	242,564	219,680	217,705
June	61,285	51,467	74,836	14,665	13,775	7,161	226,380	226,739	217,136
1995-96 p—									
July	54,751	44,457	65,947	9,485	13,204	5,021	195,076	208,456	216,361
August	60,164	46,216	75,165	15,506	16,192	4,031	221,405	213,207	215,588
2 Months ended August —									
1994	133,323	89,301	158,238	28,533	28,496	8,929	453,842	..	..
1995 p	114,915	90,673	141,112	24,991	29,396	9,051	416,481	..	..

(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 AUGUST 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 September.

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

- trend estimates as published;
- trend estimates assuming an increase in seasonally adjusted data for September of 3% on the August figure;
- trend estimates assuming a decrease in seasonally adjusted data for September of 3% on the August 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 3.31%.

	<i>Trend as published</i>	<i>Trend change with seasonally adjusted September estimate</i>	
		+3%	-3%
(tonnes, carcass weight)			
<i>1994-95p</i>			
March	219,133	218,912	219,185
April	218,250	217,912	218,392
May	217,705	217,557	217,797
June	217,136	217,556	216,924
<i>1995-96p</i>			
July	216,361	217,206	215,116
August	215,588	216,774	212,834
September	—	216,057	210,113

TABLE 3. 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>1993-94 -</i>							
May	29,040	6,265	4,812	1,340	302	8,248	50,007
June	27,194	5,535	4,396	1,687	329	7,457	46,598
<i>1994-95 p</i>							
July	28,529	5,325	3,455	1,982	258	7,814	47,363
August	29,213	5,570	3,219	1,852	197	7,800	47,851
September	32,567	5,976	3,497	2,217	188	7,964	52,409
October	32,451	6,247	2,955	2,239	134	8,163	52,189
November	34,016	7,166	3,095	2,070	134	8,943	55,424
December	31,146	6,966	2,345	2,142	136	8,010	50,745
January	30,098	6,244	2,037	1,033	100	7,746	47,258
February	31,916	6,451	2,126	1,160	137	7,870	49,660
March	30,793	6,345	2,359	1,194	93	6,996	47,780
April	31,704	6,356	2,085	1,102	63	6,832	48,142
May	32,568	7,102	2,311	1,736	165	7,277	51,159
June	32,003	6,929	2,139	1,759	113	6,846	49,789
<i>1995-96 p--</i>							
July	31,627	7,033	1,861	1,954	132	7,000	49,607

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

	<i>Fresh, chilled or frozen</i>								<i>Pork</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>			
1992-93	80,979	739,863	2,087	5,361	80,195	77,394	46,681	5,537	6,974	128	7,270
1993-94	62,662	742,374	1,342	5,818	97,836	70,959	52,702	5,226	5,855	204	10,354
1994-95 p	59,697	716,286	1,983	6,920	102,810	65,098	47,633	4,592	6,262	141	11,514
<i>1993-94 -</i>											
May	6,058	68,972	117	495	7,532	6,031	5,229	584	424	19	948
June	3,098	60,470	112	452	7,341	5,093	4,625	499	422	2	835
<i>1994-95 p--</i>											
July	3,509	61,154	117	784	6,011	4,126	6,114	398	666	3	810
August	4,382	59,166	202	855	6,332	4,155	4,299	405	582	2	553
September	7,455	63,245	416	774	10,420	5,454	4,268	535	520	2	980
October	8,603	69,899	229	1,194	13,268	5,633	3,920	387	734	19	701
November	6,405	72,329	177	944	13,527	6,172	3,738	254	678	3	816
December	4,581	55,145	138	633	10,174	6,952	4,560	407	543	2	1,154
January	2,659	49,052	38	291	6,685	4,984	2,791	259	426	21	995
February	3,604	50,465	104	305	6,989	6,045	3,602	313	363	2	981
March	3,402	61,369	136	325	8,433	6,322	4,309	376	270	7	1,369
April	4,454	56,130	94	183	7,795	5,648	4,181	501	462	23	1,152
May	5,155	59,434	184	275	7,217	5,061	3,575	369	524	19	899
June	5,489	58,897	147	357	5,957	4,545	2,277	389	493	37	1,105
<i>1995-96 p--</i>											
July	5,428	66,961	126	633	5,217	3,747	2,365	413	555	15	1,138

(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.

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

	Number (^{'000})	Gross Weight (^{'000} tonnes)	Gross Value (^{'000})	Unit Value(b) (\$)
1992-93	5,097.1	270.5	121,933	23.92
1993-94	5,429.8	287.4	148,907	27.42
1994-95 p	5,538.0	283.8	179,129	32.35
<i>1993-94—</i>				
May	212.6	10.3	6,527	30.70
June	580.7	29.8	16,390	28.22
<i>1994-95 p—</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	563.6	30.6	15,053	26.71
December	477.2	25.3	14,448	30.27
January	610.6	32.2	19,355	31.70
February	534.6	27.2	17,886	33.45
March	516.4	27.0	17,116	33.14
April	649.1	33.0	23,143	35.66
May	373.7	18.0	14,001	37.46
June	229.3	11.0	8,732	38.08
<i>1995-96 p—</i>				
July	613.8	30.8	25,586	41.68

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

TABLE 6. EXPORTS OF LIVE CATTLE(a), AUSTRALIA

	Number (^{'000})	Gross Weight (^{'000} tonnes)	Gross Value (^{'000})	Unit Value(b) (\$)
1992-93	148.6	50.4	69,847	470.19
1993-94	234.7	79.9	115,020	489.97
1994-95 p	385.7	136.5	201,948	523.52
<i>1993-94—</i>				
May	20.8	7.2	10,947	526.83
June	22.8	7.2	10,953	480.39
<i>1994-95 p—</i>				
July	22.7	7.1	10,882	480.14
August	27.6	9.4	13,144	476.27
September	29.5	10.3	13,382	454.18
October	23.9	8.9	11,624	485.41
November	33.5	11.2	17,523	523.78
December	36.0	13.1	18,349	509.02
January	29.3	11.3	16,403	559.33
February	27.8	10.9	15,892	571.74
March	31.6	11.3	16,651	527.03
April	34.8	12.7	17,955	515.37
May	41.6	13.8	23,456	563.59
June	47.4	16.6	26,687	563.05
<i>1995-96 p—</i>				
July	49.4	17.5	27,392	554.28

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

TABLE 7. CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED (a)
(*000)

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Aust. (b)
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
1994-95 p	134,601.5	79,799.4	56,057.2	28,778.9	33,938.6	333,175.6
<i>1993-94 --</i>						
June	12,270.3	7,813.3	4,743.6	2,460.1	2,801.3	30,088.5
<i>1994-95 p--</i>						
July	11,159.5	6,413.1	5,024.4	2,525.0	2,910.6	28,032.7
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
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
January	8,343.6	6,548.4	4,931.4	2,521.4	2,920.3	25,265.0
February	10,820.8	6,200.2	4,418.4	2,303.7	2,725.7	26,468.8
March	12,385.8	6,731.2	4,847.0	2,610.5	2,678.9	29,253.4
April	10,444.0	6,520.6	4,605.5	2,782.3	2,742.9	27,095.2
May	10,389.2	6,208.8	4,412.3	2,141.7	2,725.6	25,877.6
June	11,051.0	6,305.2	4,618.3	2,189.9	2,879.0	27,043.4
<i>1995-96 p--</i>						
July	11,145.1	6,528.3	5,408.1	2,420.8	3,040.6	28,543.0
August	10,555.2	5,966.2	4,428.5	2,057.2	2,593.9	25,601.0
<i>2 Months ended August --</i>						
1994	21,700.4	12,518.2	9,462.2	4,688.8	5,451.5	53,821.1
1995 p	21,700.3	12,494.5	9,836.6	4,478.0	5,634.5	54,144.0

(a) Comprises broilers, fryers and roasters. (b) Excludes Tasmania, the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory.

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

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Aust. (b)	Trend estimate(c)
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	..
1994-95 p	194,932	111,020	74,477	39,032	42,007	461,466	..
<i>1993-94 --</i>							
June	18,308	10,181	6,668	3,648	3,507	42,313	40,245
<i>1994-95 p--</i>							
July	16,697	10,231	7,174	3,511	3,611	41,225	40,159
August	15,484	8,947	6,004	2,750	3,167	36,353	39,807
September	18,426	9,126	6,372	3,284	3,475	40,682	39,281
October	15,894	9,574	6,706	3,209	3,428	38,811	38,780
November	15,370	8,051	5,692	2,845	3,372	35,331	38,458
December	18,354	9,944	5,858	3,321	4,259	41,737	38,386
January	12,702	8,879	6,421	3,491	3,644	35,136	38,444
February	16,211	9,222	5,879	3,168	3,316	37,796	38,492
March	19,072	9,995	6,437	3,563	3,315	42,383	38,460
April	15,352	9,294	5,896	3,928	3,353	37,823	38,243
May	15,342	8,921	5,898	3,028	3,426	36,615	37,908
June	16,026	8,835	6,141	2,933	3,640	37,575	37,690
<i>1995-96 p--</i>							
July	16,348	9,180	7,153	3,465	3,812	39,959	37,664
August	15,736	9,350	5,550	2,657	3,249	36,542	37,385
<i>2 Months ended August</i>							
1994	32,182	19,178	13,178	6,262	6,778	77,577	..
1995 p	32,085	18,530	12,703	6,122	7,061	76,500	..

(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 AUGUST 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 September.

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

- trend estimates as published;
- trend estimates assuming an increase in seasonally adjusted data for September of 4% on the August figure;
- trend estimates assuming a decrease in seasonally adjusted data for September of 4% on the August 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 4.01%.

	<i>Trend as published</i>	<i>Trend change with seasonally adjusted September estimate</i>	
		+4%	-4%
(tonnes, carcass weight)			
<i>1994-95p</i>			
March	38,460	38,414	38,473
April	38,243	38,186	38,291
May	37,908	37,878	37,930
June	37,690	37,797	37,659
<i>1995-96p</i>			
July	37,664	37,903	37,449
August	37,385	38,110	37,255
September	—	38,449	37,159

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>
1992-93	997	4,456	702	436	324	413	7,327	..	..
1993-94	1,098	4,967	764	456	344	447	8,077	..	..
1994-95 p	1,087	5,113	741	484	343	436	8,206	..	..
<i>1993-94</i> —									
May	88	238	58	33	29	23	469	711	715
June	85	204	58	33	27	12	418	712	712
<i>1994-95 p</i> —									
July	89	238	61	37	31	10	466	708	708
August	92	368	63	41	33	20	618	697	704
September	96	565	64	47	33	44	849	701	700
October	101	700	66	53	33	63	1,016	694	695
November	96	688	62	49	28	66	988	695	688
December	96	626	64	46	26	62	919	688	678
January	97	513	65	42	26	46	789	659	667
February	86	391	58	34	25	36	630	662	661
March	89	340	65	33	28	34	589	653	662
April	81	248	57	32	27	25	469	654	671
May	82	224	57	35	28	19	443	671	684
June	82	213	59	36	28	12	430	734	698
<i>1995-96 p</i> —									
July	87	245	62	39	31	10	474	721	713

(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.

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>
1992-93	599	449	348	153	177	51	1,777
1993-94	607	454	356	159	181	53	1,811
1994-95 p	605	452	368	167	188	52	1,833
<i>1993-94</i> —							
May	53	40	30	14	16	5	157
June	51	40	30	14	15	4	154
<i>1994-95 p</i> —							
July	51	38	31	14	15	5	154
August	52	39	32	14	16	5	157
September	50	38	30	14	16	5	152
October	52	38	31	14	15	5	154
November	50	37	30	14	15	4	151
December	49	37	31	15	15	4	150
January	50	36	30	14	16	4	150
February	47	35	29	13	15	4	142
March	52	39	33	15	17	5	160
April	50	37	30	13	15	4	149
May	53	40	32	14	17	4	159
June	51	39	31	14	16	4	155
<i>1995-96 p</i> —							
July	54	40	32	13	15	4	159

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



**RELIABILITY OF JULY 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 August.

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

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

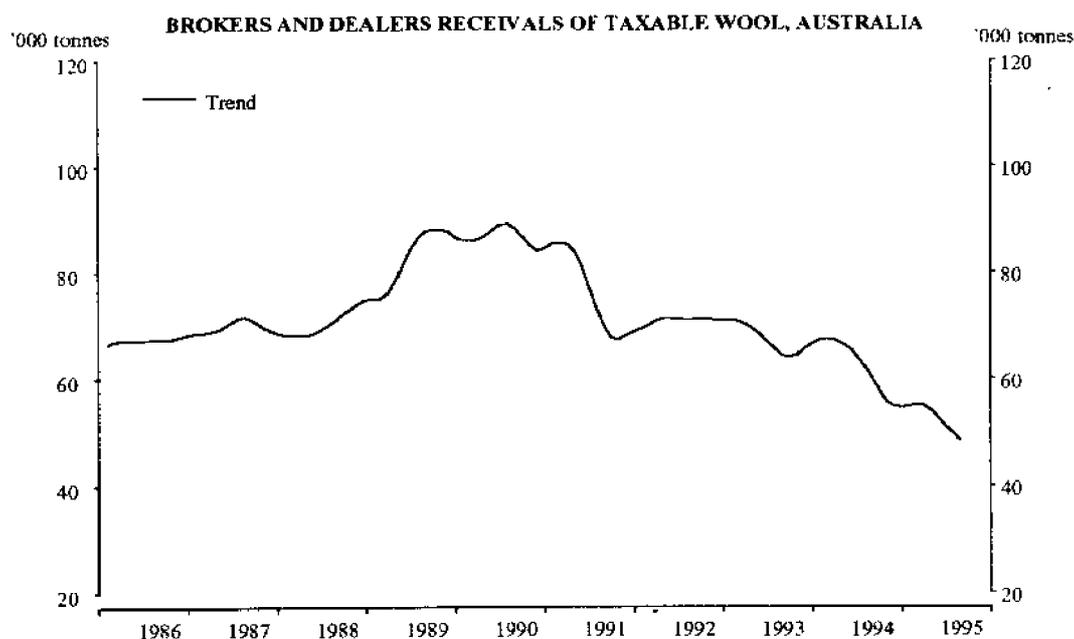
The percentage change of 2% was chosen because the average absolute monthly percentage change in the seasonally adjusted data since the inception of the series has been 1.99%.

	<i>Trend as published</i>	<i>Trend change with seasonally adjusted August estimate</i>	
		+2%	-2%
(million litres)			
<i>1994-95p</i>			
February	661	660	661
March	662	661	662
April	671	670	671
May	684	686	684
June	698	702	698
<i>1995-96p</i>			
July	713	719	711
August	—	732	720

**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)
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	..	..
1994-95 p	175,977	170,281	51,662	86,855	173,308	17,417	675,500	83.8	..	..
<i>1993-94 —</i>										
June	11,970	6,219	5,153	3,045	4,915	842	32,144	78.3	63,083	64,279
<i>1994-95 p —</i>										
July	14,859	9,104	6,352	4,860	11,963	1,395	48,533	81.2	61,805	62,332
August	22,047	19,323	6,788	11,213	24,758	1,454	85,582	86.8	58,131	60,049
September	26,118	28,377	5,884	15,670	29,327	1,820	107,196	86.9	64,687	57,680
October	21,346	25,639	4,065	12,518	22,108	1,940	87,616	85.8	54,142	55,727
November	18,205	23,085	2,605	9,398	15,205	2,983	71,481	82.5	48,458	54,784
December	11,065	16,174	1,693	4,268	6,496	1,609	41,303	79.6	54,476	54,600
January	9,794	8,682	2,234	4,071	10,640	1,710	37,130	83.9	54,975	54,815
February	12,290	10,725	3,774	6,100	15,184	812	48,885	84.0	59,363	55,105
March	13,083	10,837	5,161	7,392	16,114	726	53,313	82.2	56,736	54,964
April	8,811	6,625	3,768	5,219	9,478	699	34,599	81.1	53,410	54,004
May	9,270	6,122	4,476	3,716	6,898	1,697	32,179	81.6	46,436	52,394
June	9,090	5,590	4,864	2,430	5,138	571	27,683	78.7	56,231	50,864
<i>1995-96 p —</i>										
July	11,756	6,100	4,989	4,501	9,649	827	37,823	81.6	48,789	49,554
August	16,630	14,788	5,516	8,477	20,831	1,443	67,684	88.0	47,265	48,303
<i>2 Months ended</i>										
<i>August —</i>										
1994	36,905	28,426	13,139	16,073	36,721	2,850	134,114	84.8	..	..
1995 p	28,386	20,888	10,505	12,978	30,480	2,270	105,506	85.7	..	..

(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 AUGUST 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 September.

The table below shows, for receivals of taxable wool for the six months ended August:

- trend estimates as published;
- trend estimates assuming an increase in seasonally adjusted data for September of 9% on the August figure;
- trend estimates assuming a decrease in seasonally adjusted data for September of 9% on the August 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 9.28%

	<i>Trend as published</i>	<i>Trend change with seasonally adjusted September estimate</i>	
		+9%	-9%
		(tonnes)	
<i>1994-95p</i>			
March	54,964	54,908	55,078
April	54,004	53,955	54,253
May	52,394	52,366	52,515
June	50,864	51,007	50,613
<i>1995-96p</i>			
July	49,554	50,113	48,814
August	48,303	49,502	47,053
September	—	49,321	45,626

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

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

Livestock slaughterings and meat production

2. 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.

3. 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.

4. 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 and cattle exports

5. These tables contain statistics of the number of live sheep and cattle exported, the gross weight, gross value and unit value. Sheep or cattle exported for breeding are excluded.

Milk

6. 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

7. 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.

8. 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

9. Details of seasonally adjusted figures for livestock slaughterings, red meat, milk and wool are shown in

Tables 1, 2, 9 and 11 respectively. Information on the methods used in seasonally adjusting these series is available on request.

Trend Estimates

10. 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.

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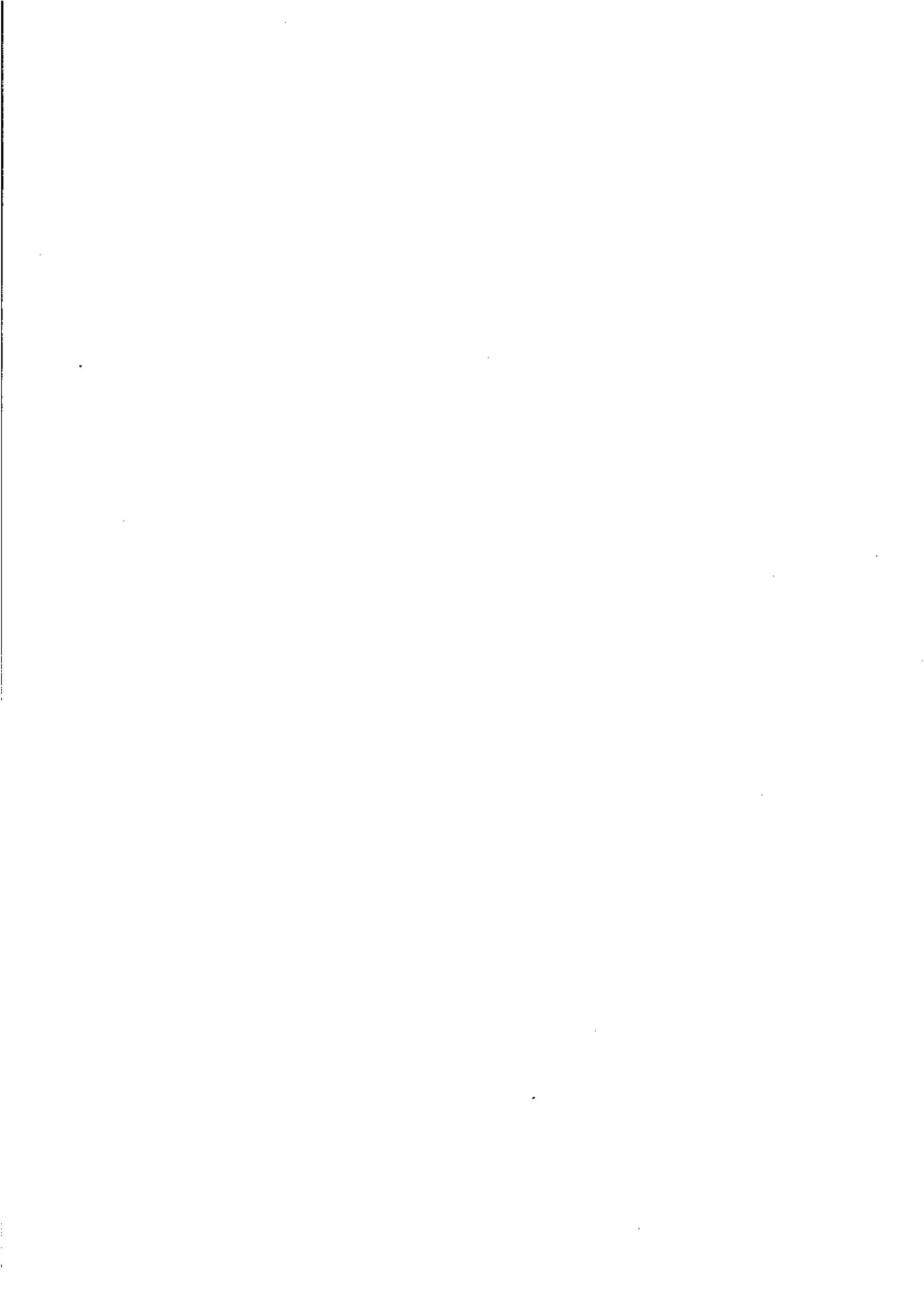
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