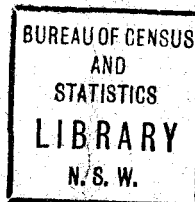


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TEA STATISTICS, 1958-59

Results of the annual collection of tea statistics are shown below for the year 1958-59.

Returns were received from all holders of tea import licences except a very few small traders, an estimate of whose sales is included in the figures. Provision was made on the form to prevent duplication of sales data due to trading between merchants.

The figures do not take account of changes in stocks held by retailers or householders.

STOCKS, IMPORTS, SALES AND EXPORTS OF TEA : AUSTRALIA
YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1959.

| | (1000 lb.) |
|---|------------|
| 1. Stocks held by importing merchants at 1st July, 1958. | (a) 4,622 |
| 2. Imports cleared during year. | 62,400 |
| 3. Sales during year for consumption in Australia. .. | 58,181 |
| 4. Exports during year. | 1,331 |
| 5. Stocks held by importing merchants at 30th June, 1959. | 7,510 |
| (a) Revised. | |

The total quantity of tea sold for consumption in Australia and the apparent consumption per head of population for the years 1955-56 to 1958-59 are shown below.

| | Year ended 30th June -- | | | |
|---|-------------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | 1959 |
| Tea sold for consumption in Australia - | | | | |
| (a) Total quantity (1000 lb.) | 54,958 | 58,751 | 58,446 | 58,181 |
| (b) Quantity per head of population (lb.) | 5.9 | 6.2 | 6.0 | 5.8 |

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