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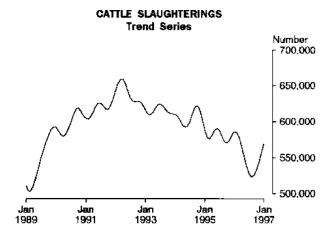
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### LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS, AUSTRALIA JANUARY 1997

#### **MAIN FEATURES**

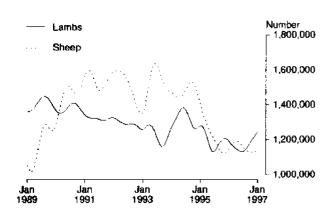
#### Livestock Slaughterings

The trend estimate for cattle slaughterings rose 2.3% in January 1997. It is 8.7% above the last trough in August 1996. The trend estimate for calf slaughterings continued to rise steadily and is 18.2% above the last trough in March 1996.



The trend estimate for sheep slaughterings rose marginally in January 1997. It is 4.1% below the last peak in April 1996. The trend estimate for lamb slaughterings increased 1.5% in January 1997. It is 9.9% above the last trough, in June 1996.

### SHEEP AND LAMB SLAUGHTERINGS Trend Series



In January 1997 the trend estimate for pig slaughterings rose marginally for the second consecutive month. However it is 12.2% lower than the last peak in November 1994.

#### Red Meat

The trend estimate for total red meat production rose for the fifth consecutive month in January 1997, and is 7.0% above the last trough in August 1996. The trend estimate for beef production also rose for the fifth consecutive month in January 1997 and is 8.5% above the last trough in August 1996. The trend estimate for mutton production rose marginally in January 1997. It is 5.0% below the last peak in March 1996. The trend estimate for lamb production rose 1.5% in January 1997. It is 11.1% above the last trough in July 1996. The trend estimate for pigmeat production rose 1.1% in January 1997. However, it is 9.8% lower than the last peak in May 1995.

#### Chicken Meat

The trend estimate for chicken meat production in January 1997 fell marginally for the third consecutive month. However it is 4.1% above the last trough in May 1996.

#### Whole Milk Intake

In December 1996, the trend estimate for whole milk intake by factories rose marginally for the first time in six months. However it is 4.2% below the last peak in June 1996.

#### Wool Receivals by Brokers and Dealers

The trend estimate for wool receivals by brokers and dealers rose 2.8% in January 1997. Since the last trough in August 1996 it has risen 11.0%.

#### Live Exports

In December 1996 live sheep exports rose marginally to 473,200. The unit value (\$33.54) fell 6.2% and the gross value (\$15.9 million) fell 3.7%.

Live cattle exports rose 41.4% to 66,900 in December 1996. The unit value (\$465.89) fell 5.1% but the gross value (\$31.12 million) rose 34.3%.

#### **INQUIRIES**

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TABLE 1. NUMBERS OF LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED ('000)

Seasonally TrendN\$W Old Tas.Aust adjusted estimate(b) BULLS, BULLOCKS AND STEERS (a) 1993-94 1,008.5 772.0 1,700.5 199.0 101.8 4,070.0 271.2 1994-95 1,105.6 1.597.1 206.1 244.0 111.2 4,056.6 782.7 . . ٠. 1,380.2 1995-96 p 1.025.4 949.8 186.4 233.3 99.2 3,894.2 . . ٠. 1995-96 р— 137.3 370.0 85.7 85.0 22.9 28.1 8.8 322.8 November 317.3 December 66.6 77.2 93.0 15.3 22.8 9.5 285.8 325.4 322.8 83.6 89.1 57.3 16.9 19.3 277.6 330.6 11.2 330.0 Јапиагу 87.9 19.8 February 93.1 95.3 18.4 8.6 323.6 336.5 335.2 16.8 9.0 336.7 98.0 86.6 118.2 18.8 347.7 March 343.3 85.6 78.1108.5 11.9 16.5 6.6 307.6 328.8 333.0 April 102.8 91.7 115.8 13.1 17.3 10.8 352.5 325.1 324.5 May 97.2 11.1 298.9 72.7 16.4 9.1 320.8 90.6 312.4 June 1996-97 p-89.8 82.3 107.1 10.2 14.3 312.7 309.3 298.7 July 7.6 84.2 100.2 9.6 15.5 6.4 284.6 270.1 66.2 288.2 August 288.3 59.6 102.8 12.8 17.8 6.6 276.5 284.0 September 86.5 94.7 75.9 103.0 16.3 21.3 7.9 320.8 282.3 286.1 October 97.4 69.2 102.2 18.0 20.2 9.8 319.3 282.1 292.7 November 81.3 79.1 64.2 14.5 21.6 12.9 275.1 312.5 301.4 December 76.8 12.8 63.8 16.8 19.7 279.2 330.6 January 87.8 311.4 COWS AND HEIFERS (a) 1993-94 979.4 622.0 1,081.4 201.4 167.6 85.2 3,220.1 . . ٠. 1994-95 943.4 684.6 960.7 218.1 186.4 96.7 3,163.4 . . . . 1995-96 p 938.6 568.3 875.7 194.9 192.5 85.7 2,934.8 1995-96 p-84.2 57.3 68.8 18.0 15.6 7.1 258.2 258.7 257.3 November 67.7 48.5 51.5 14.0 17.2 7.6 2!2.1 258.0 258.7 December 229.7 59.0 40.3 21.1 18.7 6.8 265.7 79.1 256.4 January February 83.5 57.9 74.1 18.3 22.7 7.8 268.2 255.7 250.2 73.6 45.0 86.2 15.7 17.7 8.9 250.7 244.7 241.8 March 37.4 14.1 13.3 6.4 218.3 225.0 233.2 70.1 73.2 April 93.3 43.1 78.4 17.7 13.8 10.7 265.1 218.7 227.4 May 13.5 9.0 236.8 72.1 36.3 83.1 12.1 227.4 June 226.4 1996-97 p-36.5 86.3 13.2 12.6 5.5 236.8 228.1 229.6 71.3 July 51.7 76.8 13.8 15.3 4.2 237.4 238.9 235.7 65.1August September 70.1 54.6 68.4 14.0 17.4 4.8 236.0 240.3 242.1 83.1 65.7 66.6 18.1 20.8 6.0 265.4 256.5 247.4 October 58.0 19.4 19.6 244.9 249.1 251.6 73.0 63.7 7.8 November 205.1 63.4 55 3 41 I 14.9 20.2 8.6 248 1 255.2 December 65.4 7.7 229.4 January 70.1 48.8 16.7 19.1 263.7 258.2

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

			('000')	-continued					
	·							Seas- onally	Trend
	NSW_	Vic.	Old		WA_	Tas.	Aust.	adjusted	estimate(b)
			TAL CATTLE						
1993-94	1,987.9	1,393.9	2,781.8	400.3	438.8	187.0	7,290.1	• •	
1994-95	2,049.0	1,467.3	2,557.8	424.3	430.5	207.9	7,220.0		
1995-96 р	1,964.0	1,518.2	2,255.9	381.3	425.8	184.9	6,829.0	• •	• •
1995-96 р									
November	169.9	142.3	206.0	40.9	43.8	15.9	628.2	581. <b>5</b>	574.5
December	134.3	125.7	144.6	29.3	40.0	17.2	497.9	583.4	581.5
January	162.9	148.1	97.6	37.9	38.0	17.9	507.3	596.3	586.4
February	176.7	145.8	169.4	36.7	42.6	16,4	591.7	592.2	585.4
March	171.5	131.6	204.4	32.6	36.4	17.9	598.3	588.0	578.6
April	155.8	115.5	181.7	26.0	29.8	13.0	525.9	553.7	566.2
May	196.1	134.8	194.1	30.8	31.1	21.5	617.6	543.8	551.9
June	162.6	109.1	180.3	24.5	28,4	18.1	535.7	548.2	538.7
19 <b>96</b> -97 p:-									
July	161.1	118.8	193.4	23.4	27.0	13.1	549.5	537.4	528.3
August	149.3	117.9	176.9	23.4	30.9	10.6	521.9	509.0	523.9
September	156.6	114.2	171.2	26.8	35.3	11.4	524.3	516.8	526.1
October	177.8	141.6	169.5	34.4	42.1	13.9	586.2	538.8	533.5
November	170.4	127.2	165.8	37.3	39.7	17.5	564.2	531.3	544.3
December	144.8	134.4	105.3	29.4	41.9	21.5	480.2	560.6	556.6
January	157.9	142.2	112.7	33.6	38.8	20.5	508.6	594.3	569.6
				LVES	•				
1993-94	221.4	583.4	148.7	8.8	4.4	23.2	991.6		
1994-95	248.3	635.6	117.1	12.0	3.8	28.8	1,047.7		
1995-96 р	244.6	596.3	86.3	13.2	2.8	41.7	986.5		
1995-96 р—									
November	23.1	19.9	6.7	0.8	0.2	0.8	51.7	83.5	83.4
December	13.7	9.7	5.6	0.6	0.2	0.5	30.5	86.5	83.1
January	21.2	7.7	6.4	0.7	0.3	0.1	36.4	82.5	82.5
February	20.6	5.3	6.4	0.6	0.2	0.1	33.4	79.3	81.5
March	21.2	9.8	7.2	1.4	0.2	0.2	40.2	79.4	80.7
April	19.0	28.1	6.7	1.8	0.2	0.9	56.8	83.3	81.0
May	24.5	47.7	7.6	1.4	0.2	1.4	83.2	81.5	82.7
June	20.0	76.3	6.4	1.2	0.3	0.7	105.0	84.7	85.3
1996-97 p—									
<i>July</i>	22.1	82.9	7.0	1.4	0.3	1.8	115.6	83.0	88.0
August	23.8	182.7	10.1	1.5	0.4	13.5	232.0	95.9	90.3
September	18.2	131.6	6.4	1.4	0.6	17.0	175.2	97.2	91.9
October	18.2	71.5	9.8	1.1	0.4	6.2	107.2	92.9	93.0
November	18.2	20.0	8.6	0.8	0.4	0.6	48.6	83.7	93.9
	15.5	11.2	7.5	0.6	0.4	0.2	35.5	99.6	94.6
December	24.4	7.4	10.1	0.8	0.4	0.1	43.2	96.6	95.4
January	24.4	1.4	10.1		V.4	CF. J	77.2	20.0	,,,,,

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			(2000)	-continued					
	NSW	Vic.	Old	SA	WA.	Tas.	Aust.	Seas- onally	Trend estimate(b)
<del></del>	71011	7 10.		HEEP		140.	Aust.	TRI HOLES	<u> esamance(0)</u>
1993-94	6,066.9	3.975.9	1,046.2	3,078.3	2,952.2	526.1	17,830.6		
1994-95	6,577.8	3,229.6	770.9	3,114.4	2,438.1	569.3	16,849.9		
1995-96 р	5,657.9	2,486.2	748.7	2,247.9	2,266.8	390.2	13,929,2		
1995-96 p—									
November	411.0	279.3	57.8	282.4	233.4	36.5	1,314.4	1,113.6	1,120.5
December	398.0	208.8	48.9	168.0	196.2	44.8	1.073.7	1,012.9	1,128.6
January	503.3	247.2	63.1	237.2	199.0	43.6	1,304.5	1,180,1	1,147.7
February	535.4	260.9	63.6	277.5	195.5	39.8	1,384.1	1,237.9	1.169.9
March	555.7	219.4	79.7	242.2	193.6	40.6	1,342.0	1,204.5	1,186.7
April	515.8	196.0	67.2	154.0	183.1	31.4	1,158.5	1,186.5	1,192.2
May	495.4	158.4	83.1	144.1	206.5	42.5	1,143.4	1,134.7	1.186.7
June	394.5	128.6	65.9	130.5	166.7	30.6	926.6	1,201.2	1,173.1
1996-97 p									
July .	403.8	123.6	89.3	106.2	175.3	22.9	930.7	1,151.7	1,156.4
August	364.5	182.0	73.8	112.2	195.3	12.2	946.2	1,173.9	1,143.7
September	376.6	182.7	77.0	148.6	211.2	13.1	1,015.2	1,113.2	1,134.1
October	464.5	251.6	76.0	221.8	243.8	20.6	1,288.8	1,117.6	1,128.3
November	448.9	250.9	83.0	305.7	202.8	36.5	1,336.4	1,119.6	1,128.1
December	390.6	274.6	70.0	180.6	195.3	48.8	1,169.4	1,096.4	1,132.6
January	464.3	295.6	67.7	235.3	183.5	55.8	1,311.7	1,209.9	1,143.0
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1993-94	3,991.7	5,600.8	742.5	2,363.8	1,553.2	437.8	15,040.1		
1994-95	4,133.7	6,303.2	608.7	1.914.8	1,263.7	477.2	15,089.5		
1995-96 p	3,482.4	5,933.8	680.5	1,907.4	1,302.7	410.0	14,037.0		
1995-96 р—									
November	272.7	577.4	49.2	200.4	127.4	34.9	1,295.3	1.206.4	1.208.2
December	240.2	485.2	47.0	140.3	79.2	40.5	1,056.5	1,187.2	1,204.8
January	284.5	498.1	59.6	129.5	74.9	38.9	1,118.1	1,204.2	1.191.6
February	287.5	464.2	57.9	162.9	88.6	40.4	1,127.1	1,179.0	1,175.9
March	300.4	453.8	67.1	167.3	110.3	41.2	1,162.6	1,149.3	1,161.2
April	318.7	459.1	58.5	144.3	114.4	30.7	1,150.5	1.156.4	1,149.1
May	297.0	508.2	48.4	162.1	141.5	39.7	1.225.1	1,134.2	1,139.3
June	267.7	404.1	47.0	98.6	117.8	33.1	990.3	1,127.9	1,133.3
1996-97 p									
July	319.2	428.5	62.0	100.3	145.3	26.0	1,103.4	1,152.6	1,133.9
August	334.7	442.7	73.5	103.3	123.9	21.6	1,121.2	1,115.3	1,143.4
September	355.8	471.3	53.9	146.5	152.5	26.2	1,223.5	1,172.1	1,160.2
October	373.5	554.3	73.1	176.4	205.1	25.9	1,432.9	1,164.5	1,181.9
November	275.4	550.1	58.5	150.1	144.0	28.0	1,230.7	1,197.9	1,205.0
December	268.2	539.4	54.1	125.9	116.1	29.1	1.156.6	1,262.6	1,227.0
January	289.9	468.3	62.0	156.6	111.0	45.0	1,156.6	1,246.2	1,245.8

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

			('000)	-continued					
	NSW	Vic.	Old	SA	WA	Tas.	Aust.	Seas- onally adjusted	Trend estimate(b)
			F	PIGS					
1993-94	1,490.9	1,188.5	1,207.9	562.1	550.4	95.8	5,190.2		
1994-95	1,505.4	1,196.9	1.154.4	469.6	604.1	92.9	5,119.6		
1995-96 p	1,414.8	1,141.1	1.073.9	389.2	571.4	81.8	4,755.7		
1995-96 р—									
November	118.0	96.3	90.1	38.5	47.0	6.9	404.9	397.9	401.8
December	138.0	101.2	95.4	29.2	41.8	8.4	420.6	410.0	400.3
January	108.5	90.3	79.0	30.6	39.9	6.1	361.6	398.0	397.8
February	107.1	92.4	87.1	33.6	47.2	6.3	379.9	392.3	394.2
March	113.9	93.7	96.0	28.0	48.6	7.2	393.6	390,3	391.1
April	107.1	94.4	80.9	28.4	46.6	6.0	369.4	386.3	388.9
May	125.0	107.1	89.5	37.3	51.2	7.3	425.0	385.5	386.8
June	117.8	86.9	91.0	29.6	44.9	6.6	383.2	380.7	384.3
1996-97 p-									
July	118.2	103.0	87.6	3 <b>5</b> .9	49.2	6.8	407.2	398.0	380.8
August	113.3	91.6	80.7	34.5	44.4	5.9	377.1	3 <b>7</b> 3.9	377.1
September	122.0	91.3	72.6	26.4	43.3	5.9	366.7	371.1	374.5
October	110.2	102.7	79.0	24.9	39.9	5.5	368.9	358.9	373.6
November	110.2	94.2	77.2	31.9	45.6	5.2	370.9	377.7	374.6
December	131.2	102.9	78.1	23.1	47.6	6.6	396.5	382.5	3 <b>7</b> 6.9
January	97.1	92.5	81.0	24.0	43.3	6.4	351.2	386.7	379.2

<sup>(</sup>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)

			(Tomnes c	arcass weigh	ŋ				
								Seas-	
					****	-		onally	Trend
	NSW	Vic.	<u>Old</u>	<u>SA</u> EEF (¢)	WA	Tas.	Aust.	aajustea	estimate(b)
1002.04	466 202	315,279	742,701	94,395	101,513	47,458	1,786,224		
1993-94	466,387	315,279 335,0 <b>5</b> 9	697,750	99,108	97,140	49,907	1,765,224	• •	
1994-95	471,183 458,701	348,201	608,396	90,958	97,1 <b>40</b> 97,0 <b>5</b> 9	44,812	1,666,904	* *	
1995-96 р	438,701	340,201	046,590	20,230	97,039	77,012	1,000,004	٠,	• • •
1995-96 р—									
November	41,090	33,548	57,379	9,908	10,283	3,846	157,806	141.152	140,590
December	31,339	28,778	40,111	7,036	9,066	4,145	121,743	142,209	142,466
January	38,019	34.722	26,817	9,208	8,359	4,467	122,583	144,271	143,705
February	42,187	33,838	46,359	9,065	9,719	4,122	146,045	146,356	143,569
March	41,591	30,612	54.511	8,091	8,297	4,175	148,052	146,115	141,762
April	36,419	26,871	48,215	6,352	6,984	3.012	128,669	135,286	138,244
May	46,448	31,202	50,664	7,037	7,037	5,230	149,355	131,755	133,864
June	37,431	25,172	46.522	5,913	6,485	4,429	128,449	130,677	129,824
1996-97 p—									
July	37,215	27,059	50,742	5,342	5,862	3,203	131,876	129,310	126,763
August	34,559	26,343	46,386	5,292	6,862	2,564	124,465	120,204	125,582
September	35,906	25,495	44,983	6,752	8,038	2,811	125,632	125,119	126,279
October	42,333	31,827	45,264	8,232	9,587	3,375	141,949	130,572	128,123
November	40,658	28,404	45,264	9,032	9,103	4,218	137,775	128,245	130,620
December	34,487	30,497	28,161	6,782	9,072	5,524	115,084	132,756	133,379
January	37,613	32,163	30,643	7,460	8,607	5,145	122,191	141,929	136,211
		12.466	6,352	VEAL 302	296	515	38,581		
1993-94	17,551	13,466				977			• •
1994-95	16,677	14,428	4,918	433	250 1 <b>87</b>	1.091	37,810 34,192	• •	• •
1995-96 р	16,292	12,798	3,336	396	187	1,091	34,192	• •	
1995-96 p—									
November	1,482	496	263	25	17	24	2.317	3.059	2,982
December	857	295	219	21	17	17	1,432	2,951	2,948
January	1,448	251	229	22	16	4	1.979	2,865	2,892
February	1,385	211	241	21	14	5	1,883	2,794	2,808
March	1,411	291	270	41	11	9	2,041	2,799	2,726
April	1,259	654	242	48	11	26	2,246	2,688	2,693
May	1,619	1.032	289	43	14	42	3.053	2,685	2,724
June	1,261	1.567	233	38	19	21	3,146	2,606	2,803
1996-97 p—									
July	1,399	1,791	252	39	21	48	3,559	2,733	2,909
August	1,510	3,660	458	43	21	344	6.037	3,492	3,022
September	1,159	2,715	245	37	27	430	4,612	3,264	3.124
October	1,092	1,504	443	33	22	157	3,252	2.930	3,203
November	1,173	502	396	26	24	17	2,137	3.062	3,268
December	1,013	337	343	21	24	7	1,747	3,565	3,330
January	1,624	260	477	24	21	4	2,412	3,403	3,375

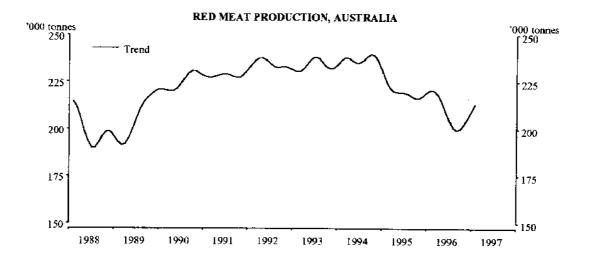
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(Tonnes carcass weight)—continued

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<u>.</u>	NSW	Vic.	<u>Old</u>	SA.	$W_A$	Tas.	Aust.	adjusted	estimate(b)
		0.5.04.0		JTTON		0.000	700 700		
1993-94	127,582	85,010	21,282	71,354	61,731	9,992	380,720		-
1994-95	131,052	64,440	15,308	66,759	47,776	11,230	339,498	• •	• •
1995-96 p	120,880	50,912	14,545	52,714	44,737	8,283	294,759	• •	• •
1995-96 p—									
November	9,003	5,902	1,095	7,065	4,518	797	28,675	23,601	24,013
December	8,863	4,363	998	3,906	3,926	983	23,207	21,842	24,256
January	11,479	5,080	1.276	5,711	3.995	937	28,692	25,889	24,630
February	11,331	5,324	1,253	6,320	3.851	852	29,168	26,117	25,007
March	11,688	4,398	1,547	5,468	3,839	860	28,026	25,273	25,210
April	10,940	3,952	1,280	3,523	3,600	657	24,182	25,192	25,151
May	10,393	3,158	1.556	3,286	4,166	892	23,735	23,925	24,871
June	8,256	2,575	1.237	2,880	3,271	638	19,060	25.080	24.451
1996-97 p									
July	8,325	2,431	1,732	2,424	3,407	475	18,998	23,836	24,037
August	7,558	3,693	1,486	2,504	3,801	249	19,421	24,059	23,770
September	8,188	3,730	1,593	3,487	4,064	269	21,455	23,314	23,603
October	9,970	5,217	1,590	5,282	4,784	425	27,486	23,413	23,545
November	9,712	5,067	1,666	7,105	4,036	792	28,561	23,404	23,596
December	8,360	5,609	1,450	4,254	3,779	1,081	24,734	23,252	23,721
January	9,869	6,033	1,409	5,361	3,512	1,197	27,582	25,032	23,958
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1993-94	69,246	101,386	12,447	45,199	24,936	7,047	266,800		
19 <del>94-</del> 95	71,738	111,202	10,621	36,147	18,955	8,412	264,565	• •	
1995-96 p	63,656	110,829	12,241	37. <b>829</b>	22,171	7,727	2 <del>6</del> 0,489		•
1995-96 p									
November	4.908	10,746	871	4,008	2,069	659	23,898	22,473	22,532
December	4,437	9,112	824	2,691	1,200	764	19,443	22,122	22,419
January	5,247	9,511	1,086	2,693	1,323	733	21,181	22,052	22,146
February	5,306	8,870	1,041	3,213	1,581	761	21,261	21,975	21,866
March	5,495	8,536	1,199	3,385	1,954	7 <b>7</b> 7	21,774	21,455	21,581
April	5,871	8,504	1,043	2,965	2,017	579	21,448	21,569	21,320
May	5,521	9,741	854	3,282	2,445	749	23,127	21,286	21,070
June	4,941	7,598	831	1,921	2,078	624	18,413	20,418	20,886
1996-97 p—									
July	5,854	7,720	1,108	1,904	2,448	488	19,941	20,948	20,855
August	6,130	8,046	1,334	1,863	2,102	407	20,292	20,639	21,041
September	6,564	8,523	972	2,784	2,584	493	22,249	21,861	21,421
October	6,966	10,214	1,317	3,429	3,345	488	26,228	21,390	21,900
November	5,125	10,140	1,066	2,991	2,394	527	22,711	22,284	22,38
December	5,020	10,070	972	2,582	1.976	547	21,618	23,800	22,82
January	5,451	8,808	1,144	3,257	1,911	848	21,871	22,862	23,169

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

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1993-94	98,606	78,488	84,553	38,394	32,423	6,019	344,260		
1994-95	102,175	84,728	83,143	32,063	37,109	5,982	351,299		
1995-96 р	96,240	82,989	77,111	26,711	35,437	5,346	328,866		•
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1995-96 р—									
November	7,949	7,001	6,449	2,608	2,888	449	27,768	26.728	27,669
December	8,695	7,130	6,612	1,907	2,524	546	27,788	28,251	27,530
January	6,984	6.525	5,493	2,092	2,497	397	24,408	27.639	27,340
February	6,986	6.742	6,091	2,297	2,909	410	25,840	27,065	27,128
March	7,609	6,636	6,815	1,899	3,009	470	26,779	26,678	26,994
April	7,645	6,619	5,803	1,985	2,907	397	25,711	26,558	26,883
May	8,613	8,043	6,489	2,646	3,233	476	29,945	27,015	26,750
June	8,231	6,320	6,693	2,136	2,762	430	26,943	26,459	26,551
1996-97 p—									
July	8,241	7,441	6,504	2.561	2,900	443	28,467	27,227	26,304
August	7,829	6,588	6,017	2,454	2,921	385	26,608	26,068	26,059
September	7,492	6,619	5,365	1,896	2,999	384	25,075	24,986	25,926
October	7,529	7,411	5,819	1,775	2,927	360	26,235	25.610	25,968
November	7,263	6,666	5,693	2,215	3,173	342	25,754	26,056	26,172
December	8,277	7,359	5,542	1,527	3,269	430	26,840	26,986	26,467
January	6,390	6,568	5,837	1,693	3,060	430	24,409	27,363	26,760
				RED MEAT (				· · ·	
t993-94	779,374	593,630	867,334	249,644	220,899	71,031	2,816,585		
1994-95	792,826	609.857	811,740	234,511	201,230	76,509	2,758,779		
1995-96 р	755,769	605,729	715.629	208,607	199,591	67,259	2,585,210		
1995-96 p—									
November	64,432	57,693	66,058	23,615	19,777	5,775	240,462	217,014	217,786
December	54,191	49,678	48,764	15,561	16,733	6,456	193,613	217.374	219,619
January	63,178	56,089	34,901	19,726	16,190	6,538	198,844	222.716	220,713
February	67,195	54,985	54,984	20,917	18,074	6,150	224,196	224,307	220,372
March	67,794	50,474	64,344	18,884	17,111	6,290	226.672	222,321	218,272
April	62,134	46,600	56,583	14,873	15,519	4,671	202,257	211,293	214,292
May	72,593	53,177	59,853	16,294	16,895	7,389	229,215	206,666	209,278
June	60,120	43,231	55,516	12,888	14,614	6,143	196.010	205,239	204,515
1996-97 p									
July	61,033	46,441	60,338	12,271	14,638	4,657	202,841	204,054	200,869
August	57.586	48,331	55.681	12,155	15,707	3,949	196.823	194,462	199,481
September	59,309	47,081	53,158	14,955	17,712	4,387	199,023	198,544	200,359
October	67,889	56,174	54,432	18,751	20,665	4,804	225,151	203,915	202,746
November	63,930	50,779	54,084	21,369	18,730	5,897	216,937	203,051	206,044
December	57,156	53,871	36,468	15,167	18,120	7,590	190,023	210,358	209,724
January	60,946	53,832	39,510	17,796	17,111	7,625	198,466	220,590	213,474

<sup>(</sup>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 JANUARY TREND ESTIMATES FOR PRODUCTION OF RED MEAT

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

- trend estimates as published;
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- trend estimates assuming a decrease in seasonally adjusted data for February of 3% on the January 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 3.13%

	Trend as published	Trend change v adjusted Januar	
		+3%	-3%
	(tonnes,	carcass weight)	
1996-97p			
August	199 <b>,481</b>	199,015	199,282
September	200,359	<b>199,</b> 619	200,088
October	202,746	202,431	202,665
November	206,044	206,790	206,171
December	209,724	211,954	209,909
January	213,474	217,204	213,350
February	<del></del>	222,382	216,567

TABLE 3. STOCKS OF FROZEN MEAT(a), A USTRALIA (Source: Australian Meat and Livestock Corporation) (tonnes)

							····
At last Saturday of	Beef(b) and veal	Mutton	Lamb	Pork	Goat	Offal	Tota
1995-96 p-∞							
October	30,964	6,752	2,775	3,523	62	6,874	50,95
November	31,790	7,878	2,873	3,466	112	7,207	53,32
December	28,265	8,361	2,446	2.931	112	7,043	49,15
January	29,050	7,687	2,175	3,008	38	6,813	48,77
February	31,481	7,910	2.137	2,147	28	6,981	50,684
March	27,205	7,751	2,181	2,078	26	6,972	46,21
April	30,098	7,484	2,292	2,107	48	7.318	49,34
May	30,356	7,545	2,737	2,191	78	7.015	49,922
June	25,487	7,595	3,072	1,380	39	6,388	43,96
1996-97 р-							
July	22,492	7,081	2,785	1,054	18	6,022	39,452
August	22,304	7,502	3,175	1,593	15	5,866	40,45:
September	27,546	8,155	3,087	1.407	36	6,534	46,76
October	28,105	8,617	3,341	1,474	51	6,852	48,44
November	22,881	8,926	3,166	1,312	49	6,320	42,65
December	19,697	6,712	2,948	967	28	5,418	35,770

<sup>(</sup>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.

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

				Fresh,	chilled or [	rozen				D	C
	Beeff	b)(c)	Vea		Mutte		Lam	b(b)	Pork	Bacon and ham(d)	Cannea meat(e)
	Bone-in	Bone-out	Bone-in	Bone-out	Bone-in	Bone-out	Bone-in	Bone-out	FOR	num(u)	meai(e)
1993-94	62,662	742,390	1,342	5,818	97,851	70,959	52,719	5,226	5,855	204	10,354
1994-95	59,811	716.750	1,983	6,920	103,259	65,380	48,539	4,595	5,496	160	11,531
1995-96 р	50,705	702,520	1,696	5,348	80,937	64,191	46,266	7,744	5,656	3 <b>5</b> 9	14,230
1995-96 p											
October	5,823	63,693	107	1,009	6,185	5,874	4.882	652	491	17	1,193
November	6,113	59,527	116	416	7,796	7,333	5,004	727	681	1	1,485
December	4,140	65,553	147	249	9,458	6,979	4,947	728	298	36	1,251
January	2,224	40,759	195	76	6,970	5,398	3,063	424	246	_	851
February	3,948	49,774	151	270	7,264	5,239	3,342	682	234	76	1,244
March	5,643	70,780	154	324	9,632	5,791	4.359	754	431	48	1,624
April	4,161	57,134	89	363	6,408	5.444	3.599	774	328	48	784
May	2,965	56,499	173	377	6.392	4,983	3.961	855	515	24	883
June	1,448	54,486	84	207	5,662	4,459	4,102	639	914	51	876
1996-97 р—											
July	1,698	60,815	171	2 <b>7</b> 0	5,130	4,501	3,469	549	693	62	902
August	3,740	51,695	122	374	5,190	3,457	3,014	585	528	3	1,042
September	5,316	46,735	148	423	6,242	3,439	4,240	554	594	39	1,068
October	5,571	56,399	153	410	7,471	4,702	5,349	721	666	29	989
November	7,336	58,867	68	372	9,233	5,100	4,882	864	644	29	1,096
December	5,905	53,481	28	170	9,364	4.304	3,959	69 <b>6</b>	293	25	810

<sup>(</sup>a) Excludes offal. (b) Factors can be applied to beef, yeal, 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 yeal 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 barn.

<sup>(</sup>b) Includes buffalo meat.

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

	Number (†000)	Gross Weight (*000 tonnes)	Gross Value (\$'000)	Unit Value(b) (\$)
1993-94	5.429.8	287.4	148,907	27.42
1994-95	5,533. <del>6</del>	283.6	179,086	32.36
1995-96 р	5,878.9	296.9	226,911	38.60
1995-96 p				
October	343.8	16.7	13,503	39.27
November	<b>4</b> 17.9	22.0	14,359	34.36
December	526.9	26.8	20,827	39.53
January	<b>4</b> 67.6	24.5	18,497	39.56
February	502.8	26.5	19,731	39.24
March	<b>54</b> 3. <b>6</b>	27.6	21,040	38.71
April	423.2	22.1	15,267	36.08
May	644.2	32.7	21,895	33.99
June	318.4	14.7	11,343	35.62
1996-97 p				
July	274.4	13.7	9,969	36.32
August	387.3	19.1	14,359	37.08
September	559.2	28.5	20,973	37.50
October	578.8	30.3	21,137	36.52
November	468.5	25.8	16,748	35.7:
December	473.2	25.3	15,872	33.5

<sup>(</sup>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) (\$)
1993-94	234.7	79.9	115,020	489.97
1994-95	385.7	136.5	201,948	523.52
1995-96 р	615.9	219.0	343,699	558.07
1995-96 p-				
October	46.1	15.4	24,904	539.77
November	40.8	14.2	23,371	573.00
December	45.0	16.3	26,200	582.58
January	42.4	15.3	23,826	561.36
February	49.6	18.0	29,240	589.83
March	55.3	20.6	31,558	570.80
April	58.7	21.9	33,808	575.82
May	75.1	27.1	41,709	555.09
June	66.5	23.4	33,282	500.31
1996-97 р—				
July	71.0	25.7	35,967	506.76
August	71.9	24.1	34,554	480.54
September	56.3	19.8	27,252	484.38
October	63.8	22.7	29,884	468.56
November	47.3	16.8	23,192	490.69
December	66.9	23.2	31,152	465.89

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

TABLE 7. CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED (a) (\*1000)

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Aust.(b)
1993-94	129,735.5	85,797.9	54,133.1	28,376.4	31,481.8	329,524.7
1994-95	133,927.4	77,193.1	56,570.1	28.866.2	33,938.6	330,495.3
1995-96 р	133,756.6	78,440.5	55,333.1	26.948.2	34,931.2	329,409.5
1995-96 p—						
November	11,270.8	6,064.2	4,478.7	2,297.1	2,838.3	26,949.1
December	11.825.8	7,232.2	4,961.0	2,420.3	3,078.2	29,517.5
January	10,904.4	7,100.4	4,844.4	2,366.2	3,018.8	28,234.1
February	11,172.0	6,275.4	4,386.7	2,154.2	2,717.3	26,705.6
March	11,828.7	6,722.5	4,890.0	2,310.9	3,030.4	28,782.6
April	10,660.8	6,466.7	4,505.4	2,395.9	2,922.3	26.951.0
May	10,983.4	6,957.9	4,164.3	2,029.7	2.797.8	26,933.1
June	11,323.1	6,108.4	4,326.5	2,091.2	2,927.4	26,776.7
1996-97 p—						
July	11,323.1	6.816.3	4,875.5	2,344.6	3,222.5	28,581.9
August	10,352.7	6,575.2	4.484.2	2,139.6	2,828.4	26,380.1
September	11,601.2	6,727.8	4,882.2	2.206.1	3,203.6	28,620.9
October	11,729.3	7.701.7	5,312.9	2,396.1	3,192.3	30,332.1
November	10,148.7	6.376.9	4.855.2	2.216.7	2,952.5	26,550.1
December	11,475.7	7,200.1	5,395.2	2.567.5	3,330.8	29,969.3
January	11,313.2	7.080.9	5,424.0	2,497.6	3,253.8	29,569.5

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

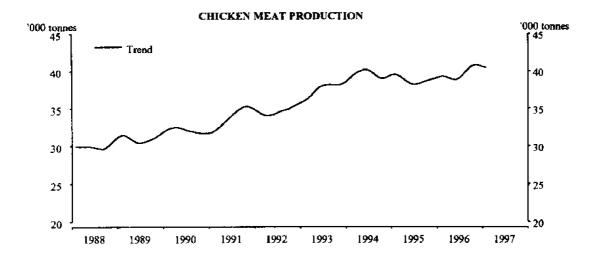
TABLE 8. CHICKEN MEAT PRODUCED (a) (Tonnes carcass weight)

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Aust.(b)	Trend estimate(c)
1993-94	193,137	123,529	72,000	40,671	39,386	468,722	
1994-95	199.589	109,515	76,337	39,103	42,007	466,551	
1995-96 р	199,152	114,701	71,607	37,691	44,358	467,509	
1995-96 р							
November	16,452	9,005	5,703	3,182	3,671	38,014	38,932
December	17,819	10,692	6,396	3,419	3,867	42,193	39,113
January	16,364	9,801	6,186	3,287	3,833	39,472	39,270
February	16,810	9.219	5,750	2.991	3,365	38,135	39,281
March	18,093	9,833	6,496	3,359	3,863	41,645	39,101
April	15,987	9,482	5,783	3,438	3,698	38,388	38,875
May	16,509	9,614	5,427	2,880	3,642	38,071	38,804
June	16,496	9,152	5,677	2,942	3,922	38,189	39,076
1996-97 p—							
July	16,763	9,678	6,304	3,110	4,329	40,184	39,587
August	15,510	10,305	5,786	2,827	3,757	38,185	40,154
September	17.422	10,061	6,318	3,042	4.227	41,070	40.611
October	17,938	11.396	6,881	3.155	4,187	43,556	40,794
November	15,114	9,393	6,291	3,156	3,835	37,788	40.754
December	16,600	10,720	7,041	3,594	4,262	42,216	40.612
January	16,750	10,112	7,077	3,447	4,071	41,457	40,406

<sup>(</sup>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.

<sup>(</sup>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, Belcomen ACT 2616 (Attention: Agriculture Section).



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trend estimates as published;

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- trend estimates assuming a decrease in seasonally adjusted data for February of 4% on the January figure.

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	Trend as published	Trend change with seasonally adjusted January estimate				
		+4%	-4%			
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	(tonnes, carcass weight)					
1996-97p						
August	40,154	40,140	40,199			
September	40,611	40,585	40,688			
October	40,794	40.787	40,839			
November	40.754	40,777	40,642			
December	40.612	40,723	40,276			
January	40,406	40,699	39,856			
February	_	40,636	39,363			

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

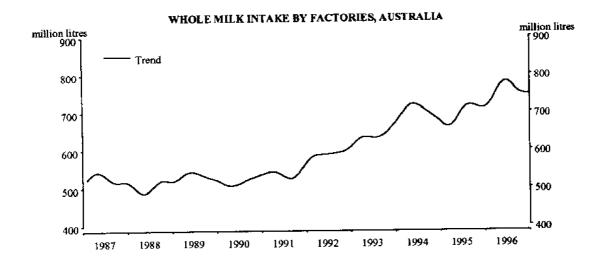
	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	Aust.	Seasonally adjusted	Trend estimate(b)
1993-94	1,098	4,967	764	456	344	447	8,077		·
1994-95	1,087	5,113	741	484	343	436	8,206		
1995-96 р	1,114	5,481	751	513	342	514	8,716		
1995-96 p—									
October	105	726	67	55	32	68	1,054	713	713
November	100	689	66	51	28	70	1,005	702	710
December	103	643	71	48	26	65	956	716	711
January	100	563	68	44	26	56	857	720	719
February	86	445	60	36	26	49	701	730	733
March	90	392	60	36	27	46	650	727	751
April	83	307	54	3.5	26	37	542	767	768
May	86	274	57	37	27	31	512	795	779
June	86	239	60	36	29	17	466	825	781
1996-97 p—									
July	89	259	64	39	30	12	493	764	
August	96	394	66	44	30	22	652	741	
September	104	599	67	50	31	49	900	737	753
October	115	758	72	57	32	69	1,104	748	
November	109	748	69	54	29	71	1,080	754	747
December	109	691	72	51	28	71	1,021	764	748

(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)

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA.	₩A	Tas.	Aust.			
1993-94	607	454	356	159	181	53	1,811			
1994-95	605	452	368	167	188	52	1,832			
1995-96 p	611	456	372	163	187	50	1,840			
1995-96 p—										
October	52	40	31	14	16	4	157			
November	50	37	31	14	15	4	151			
December	49	37	30	14	15	4	149			
January	51	36	31	13	15	4	151			
February	47	37	30	13	16	4	147			
March	53	39	32	14	16	4	157			
April	51	38	31	13	14	4	151			
May	53	41	32	14	17	4	162			
June	51	37	30	13	15	4	150			
1996-97 p—										
July	<b>5</b> 3	39	33	14	17	4	160			
August	53	40	33	14	17	4	161			
September	51	3 <b>7</b>	30	14	15	4	151			
October	52	39	32	15	17	4	159			
November	50	38	31	15	15	4	153			
December	50	37	30	15	16	4	152			

(a) includes white, flavoured, high and low fat milk, tht milk.



# RELIABILITY OF DECEMBER 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 January.

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

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

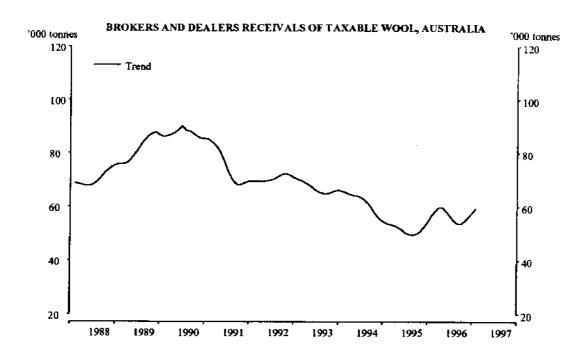
The percentage change of 2% was chosen because the average absolute monthly percentage change in the seasonally adjusted data since the inception of the series has been 2.14%

	Trend as published	Trend change with seasonall adjusted December estimate			
		+2%	-2%		
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	(million litres)				
1996-97p					
July .	774	773	774		
August	763	762	763		
September	753	753	753		
October	748	750	748		
November	747	753	748		
December	748	758	749		
January	_	767	754		

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

							Austra	ılia	1	
	NSW	Vic.	<u>O</u> ld	SA.	WA	Tas	Total	% of Total received by brokers	Seas- onally adjusted	Trena estimate(a,
1993-94	205,822	190,047	55,110	102,340	212.266	18,633	784,218	81.0		
1994-95	177,649	171,915	51,935	86,977	173,383	17,577	679,435	83.4	• •	
1995-96 р	165.523	161.388	44,639	87.764	165,979	15,997	641,290	85.5		
1995-96 p										
November	16,521	22,518	2,037	9,639	15,522	2,475	68,712	86.8	51,322	52.216
December	10,051	15,503	1,943	3,917	6,799	1,625	39,837	82.3	54,003	54,182
January	10,798	12,794	1,966	4,891	11,159	1,400	43,007	86.0	58,446	56,483
February	13,969	11,162	3,850	6,315	16.748	871	52,915	85.1	58,356	58,544
March	13,441	10,416	4,125	7,884	16,422	675	52,963	83.3	57,216	59,739
April	11.353	9,464	3,511	6.566	12,719	604	44.217	84.5	61,824	59,660
May	13,164	8,683	4,076	4,787	9,334	1,798	39,841	82.7	62,332	58,405
June	10,223	4.856	4.196	2.878	4,426	957	27,537	80.3	56,580	56,551
1996-97 p										
July	14,065	8,383	4,845	4,775	9,510	1,290	42,868	79.5	52,198	54,708
August	18,953	14,687	4,853	8,317	17,932	1,693	66,436	85.5	49,462	53,612
September	24,786	22,840	4,303	12,574	21,734	1,894	88,131	85.0	55,653	53,641
October	24,949	26,030	2,902	13,334	21,504	2,335	91,055	85.4	53,961	54,741
November	19,293	26,134	2,977	10,558	14,214	2,900	76,076	82.9	57,845	56,298
December	11.907	17,505	1,679	5,193	6,308	1,818	44,410	79.2	56,047	57,914
January	12,228	13,154	2,953	4,461	10,696	1,636	45,128	82.2	62,110	59,520

<sup>(</sup>a) Trend estimates for the most recent months are subject to revision when data for the subsequent months become available.



# RELIABILITY OF JANUARY 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 February.

The table below shows, for wool receivals for the six months ended January:

trend estimates as published;

- trend estimates assuming an increase in seasonally adjusted data for February of 9% on the January figure;
- trend estimates assuming a decrease in seasonally adjusted data for February of 9% on the January 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 8.41%

	Trend as published		Trend change with seasonally adjusted January estimate				
		+9%	-9%				
	(tonnes)						
1996-97p	•						
August	53,612	53,393	53,595				
September	53,641	53,260	53,615				
October	54,741	54,551	54,728				
November	56,298	56,753	56.284				
December	57,914	59,144	57,597				
January	59,520	61,534	58,618				
February	_	63,759	59,360				

#### **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.
- 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 and Sonsitivity Analysis

10. A trend estimate is obtained by reducing the irregular component from the seasonally adjusted series. In this publication trend estimates are generally derived by applying a 13 term Henderson

moving average to the seasonally adjusted series. The 13 term Henderson, (like all Henderson averages) is symmetric, but as the end of a time series is approached, asymmetric forms of the average are applied. While the asymmetric weights enable the trend to be calculated for the latest month, it does result in revisions to the last six estimates as additional observations become available.

11. Sensitivity analysis indicates the potential magnitude and direction of revisions created to the last six estimates. It aims to show how a specified movement in the seasonally adjusted data in the next period will affect the trend path of the time series. By showing how sensitive the trend estimates are to the addition of new data, the analysis provides information which can be used in the assessment of the trend's stability. 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

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- . not applicable
- nil or rounded to zero
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