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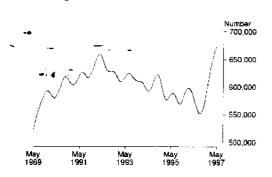
# LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS, AUSTRALIA MAY 1997

### MAIN FEATURES

# Livestock Slaughterings

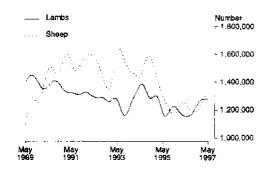
In May 1997 the trend estimate for cattle slaughterings rose 1.4%. It is 22.2% above the last trough in August 1996. The trend estimate for calf slaughterings fell marginally for the third consecutive month. It is 2.3% below the last peak in February 1997.

#### CATTLE SLAUGHTERINGS Trend Series



The trend estimate for sheep slaughterings rose 1.2% in May 1997 and is 11.3% above the last trough in October 1996. The trend estimate for lamb slaughterings has remained steady over the last four months.

#### SHEEP AND LAMB SLAUGHTERINGS Trend Series



The trend estimate for pig slaughterings showed a slight decrease for the first time in seven months. However, it is 3.0% above the last trough in October 1996.

# **Red Meat**

The trend estimate for total red meat production continued to rise in May 1997 and is 17.1% above the last trough in August 1996. The trend estimate for beef production also rose in May 1997 and is 22.4% above the last trough in August 1996. The trend estimate for mutton production rose 0.8% in May 1997. It is 8.9% above the last trough in October 1996. The trend estimate for lamb production in May 1997 continued a steady rise for the eleventh consecutive month. It is 11.9% above the last trough in June 1996. The trend estimate for pigmeat production rose marginally in May 1997 and is 4.8% above the last trough in September 1996.

### Chicken Meat

The trend estimate for chicken meat production in May 1997 rose marginally for the second consecutive month. It is 0.6% above the last trough in March 1997.

#### Whole Milk Intake

In April 1997 the trend estimate for whole milk intake by factories rose marginally. It is 0.5% above the last trough in November 1996.

# Wool Receivals by Brokers and Dealers

The trend estimate for wool receivals by brokers and dealers rose for the ninth consecutive month and is 22.9% above the last trough in August 1996.

# Live Exports

In April 1997 live sheep exports fell 28.6% to 336,100. The unit value (\$35.39) rose 2.0% and the gross value (\$11.9 million) fell 27.1%.

Live cattle exports rose 29.9% to 88,200 in April 1997. The unit value (\$496.13) rose 2.5% and the gross value (\$43.7 million) rose 33.1%.

# **INQUIRIES**

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TABLE 1. NUMBERS OF LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED

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								Seas-	
				<b>.</b> .		_		onally	Trend
	NSW .		Old	SA	WA_	Tas.	Aust.	<u>adjusted</u>	estimate(b)
			LLS, BULLOC			1010	4.070.0		
1 <b>99</b> 3-9 <b>4</b>	1,008.5	772.0	1,700.5	199.0	271.2	101.8	4,070.0		
1994-95	1,105.6	782.7	1,597.1	206.1	244.0	111.2	4,056.6		
1995-96	1,024.0	946.9	r1,505.8	180.4	218.0	95.4	r3,988.2		••
1995-96—									
March	97.7	86.3	τ141.0	16.3	16.9	8.6	r367.1	362.5	352.2
April	85.4	77.8	r129.8	11.4	15.3	6.3	r326.3	348.7	352.5
May	102.4	91.4	r143.5	12.6	16.0	10.4	r377.3	347.9	346.6
June	90.3	72.5	r123.8	10.6	15.2	8.7	r322.8	346.4	335.9
1996-97 p—					-				
July	89.6	83.2	130.9	9.7	13.1	7.3	335.0	331.3	322.6
August .	83.9	67.6	126.8	9.1	14.3	6.2	310.2	294.5	310.4
September *	86.2	61.0	125.2	12.3	16.6	6.4	309.6	297.0	304.8
October	94.5	79.0	127.3	15.8	20.1	7.6	345.8	304.3	307.5
November	96.9	72.1	136.0	17.5	20.3	9.4	354.7	313.4	318.1
December	81.1	80.7	78.3	14.0	21.2	12.3	288.7	328.0	333.1
January	86.0	89.4	75.4	16.3	20.3	12.8	⊶ 301.8	357.3	346.9
February	88.2	85.3	137.3	14.5	16.7	10.6	354.0	382.8	355.7
March •	93.7	66.5	136.8	14.7	14.2	10.1	337.1	340.3	360.0
April	99.1	76.4	142.5	17.3	14.2	10.3	361.6	376.2	361.3
May	96.3	70.2	150.4	15.2	13.9	11.2	361.1	337.5	360.3
			COWS AN	D HEIFERS (	a)				
1993-94	979.4	622.0	1,081.4	201.4	167. <del>6</del>	85.2	3,220.1		
1994-95	943.4	684.6	960.7	218.1	186.4	96.7	3,163.4	- •	
1995-96	939.1	576.7	r901.2	194.1	181.9	88.9	r2,961.5	٠.	
1995-96 —									
March	74.1	45.7	90.7	15.7	16.4	9.1	255.3	249.3	245.3
April	70.7	38.1	r78.1	14.1	12.4	6.7	r223.9	230.7	237.7
May	93.6	43.8	r83.7	17.6	13.0	10.8	r270.8	223.4	232.9
June	72.6	37.0	r88.4	13.2	11.2	9.2	r242.4	232.8	232.6
1996-97 p—									
July	71.8	38.3	92.2	13.2	11.8	5.8	244.6	235.6	236.0
August	65.7	54.1	81.8	13.8	14.5	4.6	244.9	246.5	241.8
September	70.6	57.0	71.7	14.0	16.6	5.2	241.7	246.1	248.3
October	83.6	67.8	70.6	18.0	19.9	6.4	271.5	262.4	253.3
November	73.7	59.8	68.0	19.3	19.7	8.0	252.0	256.4	257.6
December	64.0	57.8	42.4	14.9	19.7	8.9	209.1	253.0	263.2
January	76,6	69.9	50.4	16.5	20.7	8.1	244.0	280.5	271.4
February	82.0	63.5	84.4	17.1	20.9	8.8	278.3	273.7	281.8
March	80.2	65.2	89.1	14.5	17.9	8.1	276.3	276.1	293.1
April	93.3	80.6	107.7	19.9	15.3	11.0	331.4	334.1	304.1
May	103.0	81.9	124.0	18.9	16.0	12.6	365.7	311.1	314.3

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('000)-continued Seasonally Trend NSW. OldWATas. adjusted estimate(b) 5.4 Aust TOTAL CATTLE (excludes calves) (a) 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 . . 1,523.6 374.5 1995-96 1,963.1 r2,406.6 399.9 184.2 r6,949.7 - -1995-96 — 171.8 132.0 r231.8 32.0 33.3 17.7 r622.5 611.8 597.6 March 115.9 156.0 r207.9 25.5 27.7 13.0 r550.2 579.4 590.2 April May 196.1 135.3 r227.2 30.2 29.0 21.2 тб48.1 571.3 579.5 162.9 109.5 r212.2 23.7 26.4 18.0 r565.2 579.2 568.5 June 1996-97 p-24.9 579.6 July 161.4 121.6 223.1 22.8 13.2 566.9 558.6 149.6 121.7 208.6 22.8 28.8 10.8 555.1 541.0 552.2 August 26.3 551.4 September 156.8 118.0196.8 33.2 11.6 543.1 553.1 197.9 178.1 146.7 33.8 40.0 14.0 617.3 560.8 October 566.7 November 170.6 131.9 204.0 36.8 40.0 17.4 606.7 569.8 575.7 December 145.0 138.4 120.7 28.9 40.9 21.2 497.9 581.0 596.4 159.3 125.8 21.0 162.6 32.9 41.0 545.8 637.8 618.3 January 632.3 148.8 221.7 37.5 February 170.2 31.6 19.4 656.5 637.4 March - 4 173.9 131.7 225.9 29.3 32.1 18.2 613.5 616.4 653.2 April 192.4 157.1 250.2 37.2 29.5 21.3 692.9 710.3 665.4 199.3 152.1 274.4 34.1 29.9 23.9 726.8 648.7 674.6 May CALVES 148.7 23.2 991.6 221.4 583.4 8.8 4.4 1993-94 ٠. 117.11994-95 248.3 635.6 12.0 3.8 28.8 1,047.7 . . ٠. 1995-96 244.2 589.8 91.2 12.6 3.2 41.4 984.6 ٠. . . 1995-96 ---80.8 9.3 40.0 79.1 March 21.1 7.6 1.4 0.2 0.3 April 18.9 27.6 7.1 1.7 0.2 0.956.6 83.0 81.1 24.5 47.2 8.0 1.4 0.3 1.4 83.1 81.3 82.7 May 0.3 19.9 75.8 6.8 1.0 0.7 104.7 84.5 85.3 June 1996-97 p-Јфу 22.0 82.3 7.4 1.4 0.3 1.8 115.4 82.9 87.9 23.7 10.4 0.4 231.7 95.8 182.1 1.4 13.4 90.0 August 6.8 16.8 174.8 97.0 91.4 0.6 September 18.2 131.0 1.4 106.5 92.2 92.1October - 18.2 70.4 10.2 1.1 0.5 5.1 18.1 19.2 9.0 0.8 0.5 0.6 48.3 83.1 92.8 November December 15.4 8.7 7.9 0.6 0.5 0.2 33.4 93.6 93.6 7.9 10.5 99.1 24.7 0.7 0.4 0.1 44.4 94.5 January 37.9 February 22.5 5.6 7.4 0.9 0.4 0.194.8 95.1 20.7 15.4 9.0 1.2 0.4 0.4 47.2 94.6 95.0 March 31.3 2.3 0.3 1.6 74.1 103.3 94.1 27.3 11.1 April 23.9 40.7 10.2 2.0 0.41.6 79.1 80.5 92.9 May

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	NSW	Vic.	<u>Old</u>	SA.	WA	Tas.	Aust.	Seas- onally adjusted	Trena estimate(b)
				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	1,408.0	1,142.1	1,080.0	393.4	562.8	86.5	4,750.1		•
1995-96 —									
March	113.4	93.8	96.5	28.6	47.9	7.6	393.4	390.0	390.7
April	106.6	94.5	81.4	28.9	45.9	6.4	369.1	386.1	388.3
May	124.4	107.2	90.0	37.9	50.5	7.7	424.8	385.2	386.1
June	117.3	87.0	91.5	27.8	44.2	7.0	380.5	378.1	383.5
1996-97 р—					-				
July	117.6	103.0	88.1	36.4	48.5	7.2	407.0	397.8	380.1
August	112.8	91.7	81.2	35.1	43.7	6.3	376.9	373.7	376.3
September -	121.4	91.3	73.1	27.0	42.5	6.3	366.5	370.9	373.9
October	109.6	102.8	79.5	25.5	39.2	5.9	368.7	358.7	373.1
November	109.6	94.3	77.7	32.5	44.9	5.7	370.6	377.4	374.2
December	130.6	103.0	78.6	23.6	<b>46</b> .9	7.0	396.3	382.3	376.9
January	. 96.6	92.9	81.5	24.5	42.6	6.8	350.2	385.6	380.3
February	94.2	96.8	82.3	30.2	45.7	6.2	360.2	387.1	382.6
March	108.2	90.2	80.6	25.0	50.0	6.6	365.3	362.5	383.8
April	107.1	111.1	92.5	27.9	44.8	6.8	396.0	404.1	384.7
May	107.7	113.5	89.4	32.4	49.3	7.9	405.6	377.7	384.3

<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)

			(Tonnes c	arcass weigh	` '				
	1/CH/	I.C.	Old	SA	WA	T <b>a</b> s.	Aust.	Seas- onally	Trend estimate(b)
<del></del> .	NSW	Vic		EEF (c)	- WA	100.	Aust	adjusted t	STATE DI
1993-94	466,387	315,279	742,701	94,395	101,513	47,458	1,786,224	• -	
1994-95	471,183	335,059	697,750	99,108	97,140	49,907	1,765,607		
1995-96	458,209	348,649	r665,664	89,704	94,859	45,377	r1.710.922	• •	
1995-96 - · ·									
March	41,564	30,649	r63,250	7,989	7,958	4,208	r156,367	154,320	148,358
April	36,393	26,908	r56,338	6,250	6,853	3,066	r136,597	143,621	146,162
May	46,244	31,242	r60,841	6,935	6,906	5,246	r159,125	140,373	142,688
June	37,404	25,209	r56,186	5,780	6,354	4,461	r137,864	140,255	139,226
1996-97 p—						2.071	141 471	120 600	126 416
July	37.188	27,672	59,902	5,241	5,731	3,271	141,431	138,680	136,416 134,786
August -	34,532	27,220	56,446	5,190	6,731	2,638	135,189	130,562	
September	35,879	26,388	52,985	6,650	7,907	2,878	134,309	133.760	135,090
October	42,306	33,023	54,345	8,130	9,456	3,434	152,000 -	139,818	137,102
November	40,612	29,508	57,380	8,930	9,416	4,262	151,178	140,721	140,759
December -	_ 34,460	31,543	33,378	6,681	9,130	5,559	121,286	. 139,910 152,744	145,731 151,003
Јапияту	37,809	35,911	35,151	7,333	9,291	5,434	131,502		
February -	39,880	33,270	61,801	7,223	8,512	4,976	156,180	163,748	155,667
March	41,293	29,047	61,834	6,845	7,389	4,635	151,455	152,036	159,578
April	43,195	34,421	68,351	8,355	6.662	5,394	167,382	170,993	162,644 164,954
May	44,786	33,220	73,879	7,606	6,859	5,022	174,903	159,320	104,954
	17.551	13.466	6,352	VEAL 302	296	515	38,581		
1993-94	17,551	13,466		433	250	977	37,810		
1994-95	16,677	14,428	4,918	39 <b>6</b>	213	875	33,774		
1995-96	16,273	12,009	3,854	390	213	0/5	32,774	• •	• •
1995-96 —	4 448	220	312	42	14	9	2,018	2.767	2,705
March	1,410	220	283	42 49	13	22	2,018	2,656	2,671
April	1,258	583	283 331	45	16	34	3,023	2,658	2,695
May June	1,617 1,259	961 1,4 <b>9</b> 6	274	33	21	18	3,114	2,579	2,769
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1996-97 p—	1,397	1,720	293	41	23	39	3,527	2,709	2,870
July	1,509	3,589	499	44	23	272	5,942	3,437	2,983
August	1,157	2,643	286	38	29	339	4,498	3.183	3,096
September	1,157	1,469	484	35	24	125	3,232	2,912	3,185
October	1,169	494	437	2 <b>7</b>	25	15	2,172	3,113	3,254
November	1,012	226	384	22	26	7	1,684	3,435	3.293
December	1,631	218	518	26	23	5	2,425	3,421	3,306
January	1,517	174	395	40	21	6	2,157	3,380	3,298
February	1,317	350	438	36	21	13	2,188	3,048	3,254
March	1,733	659	529	69	17	38	3,061	3,458	3,189
April	1,549	816	499	71	20	39	3.009	2,796	3,103
May	1,349	010							

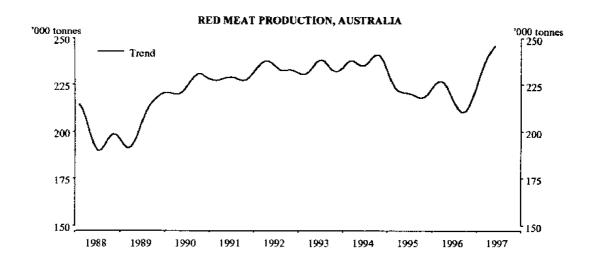
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	NSW	Vic.	Old	SA	W.A	Tas.	Aust.	Seas- onally adjusted	Trend estimate(b)
			M	UTTON					
1993-94	127,582	85,010	21,282	71,354	61,731	9,992	380,720		·
1994-95	131,052	64,440	15,308	66,7 <b>5</b> 9	r61,868	11,230	r353,590		
1995-96	121,376	50,910	14,161	55,600	r57,428	7,414	r309,577		
1995-96 —									
March	11,729	4,398	1,516	5,714	r5,448	753	r29,784	26,859	26,516
April	10,982	3,952	1,239	3,768	r4,799	593	125,562	26,629	26,513
May	10,434	3,159	1,535	3,532	r5,699	779	r25,421	25,624	26,216
June	8,297	2,575	1,206	3,065	r4,239	578	r20,163	26,530	25,747
1996-97 р—					-				
July	8,366	2,432	1.700	2,670	3,412	448	19,232	24,130	25,275
August	7,599	3,693	1,454	2,749	4,532	270	20,428	25,306	24,948
September	8,230	3,730	1,561	3,733	5,383	286	23,046	25,043	24,805
October	10,011	5,217	1,558	5,528	6,272	409		- 24,884	24,795
November	9,754	5,066	1,634	7,351	5,466	700	30,153	24,708	24,962
December	8,401	5,610	1,419	4,500	4,693	928	25,752	24,209	25,292
January	10,059	6,485	1,696	5,815	4,245	1,020	29,577	26,842	25,703
February.	9,952	5,915	1,627	6,057	4.280	1,019	29,032	26,662	26,123
March * 4	9.641	4,506	1,261	5,396	4,982	927	26,860	24,772	26,498
April	10,367	4.889	1,359	5,632	4,681	1,014	28,111	28,798	26,791
May	9,341	4,436	1,227	4,637	4,835	824	25,443	26,029	27,013
				AMB					
1993-94	69,246	101,386	12,447	45,199	24,936	7,047	266,800		
1994-95	71,738	111,202	10,621	36,147	r22,359	8,412	r267,968		
199 <b>5</b> -96	62,648	110,172	12,584	37,735	r28,139	7,407	r264,721	• •	
1995-96—									
March	5,411	8,481	1,227	3,377	2,204	741	21,869	21,549	21,735
April	5,787	8,449	1,071	2,957	r2,394	557	r21,585	21,807	21,507
May	5,437	9,685	882	3,274	r2,879	715	r23,407	21,544	21,334
June	4,857	7,543	858	1,909	12,585	500	r18,771	20,815	21,239
1996-97 р									
July	5,770	7,664	1,136	1,896	2,778	474	20,137	21,154	21,240
August	6,046	7,990	1,362	1,856	2,951	398	21,014	21,373	21,406
September	6,480	8,468	1,000	2,776	3,054	478	22,585	22,191	21,800
October	6,882	10,158	1,345	3,422	3,985	474	26,734	21,803	22,316
November	5,041	10,074	1,093	2,983	2,644	510	22,813	22,384	22,839
December	4,936	9,866	999	2,574	2,226	528	21,582	23,760	23,247
January	5,377	10,024	1,347	3,247	2,181	806	23,405	24,466	23,505
February	5,082	8,720	1,168	3,154	3,110	670	22,263	23,931	23,648
March	5,183	8,838	1,124	2,899	2,990	658	21,994	21,946	23,721
April	5,779	10,028	1,278	3,501	3,381	<b>66</b> 3	25,10 <b>7</b>	24,641	23,774
May	5,270	9,605	1,251	3,469	3,974	812	24,863	23,739	23,775

TABLE 2. RED MEAT PRODUCED (a)

(Tonnes carcass weight)-continued Season all yTrendadjusted WATas. estimate(b) NSW. Aust VicOldSAPIGMEAT 84.553 38,394 32,423 6,019 344,260 78.488 98 606 ٠. 1993-94 37,109 351.299 83 143 32.063 5,982 84,728 1994-95 102,175 ٠, 35,341 329.607 27,335 5,634 95,788 83,052 77,696 ٠. 1995-96 1995-96 — 26,755 27,062 6,864 1,964 3,001 496 26,856 6.642 March 7,572 25,788 26.637 26.935 2,051 2,899 423 7,607 6,624 5,852 April 27,085 30.022 26.788 8,576 8,048 6,538 2,711 3,225 502 May 6.325 6,742 2,027 2,754 456 26,846 26,363 26,584 8.193 June 1996-97 p 28,545 27,301 26,346 2,892 469 8,203 7,446 6,552 2,627 July 6.594 6,066 2,519 2,913 411 26,686 26,144 26,090 7,791 August 7,454 6.624 5,414 1.961 2,991 410 25,153 25,063 25,985 September 2,919 26,313 25,685 26,039 1.840 386 5.868 October 7,491 7,416 26,232 7,223 6,671 5,742 2,280 3.165 368 25.828 26,132 November 8,239 7,365 5,591 1,593 3,261 456 26,917 27,064 26,505 December 1,754 3,095 456 24,267 27,203 26,768 6,607 5,886 January 6.232 3,310 413 25,176 27,697 26,946 5.974 2.167 February, 6.835 6,260 24,865 27.054 24.966 431 6,782 6,312 5,848 1,804 3.575 March 7,185 7.972 6,829 2.037 3,149 445 28,074 28,257 27,152 April 516 29,479 27,355 27,234 8,242 6,747 2,392 3,734 May 7.417 TOTAL RED MEAT (c) 249,644 220,899 71,031 2,816,585 1993-94 779,374 593,630 867,334 . . . . 76,509 r2,776,274 792,826 609,857 811,740 234.511 r218,725 ٠. 1994-95 754,293 604,792 r763,,960 210,770 r215,979 66,707 r2,648,600 1995-96 1995-96 --6,207 19,087 r236,893 232.250 226,376 67,685 50,389 c73,168 r18,625 March 221,351 223,787 46,515 £64,782 15,076 r16,957 4,661 r211.851 62,025 April 16,497 r18,725 7,276 r240,998 217,285 219,721 53,095 r70,126 72,308 May 12,814 r15,952 6,113 г206,757 216,543 215,565 60,011 43,147 165,266 June 1996-97 p-213.973 212,147 69,583 12,474 14,837 4,702 212,872 60,924 46,933 July 12,358 17,151 3,990 209,259 206,822 210,212 65,827 57,477 49.086 August 19.365 4,392 209,590 209,241 210,777 47,853 15.158 59,201 61,246 September 213,438 215,102 237,492 67,781 57,283 63,599 18,954 22,656 4.827 October 66,286 21,572 20,716 5,855 232,145 217,058 218,045 63,798 51,813 November 15,370 7,479 197,221 218,378 224,069 41,771 19,336 December 57,047 54 610 234,677 230,285 18,834 7,721 211,176 44,598 18,174 61,109 59.245 January 7,083 234,808 245,418 235,682 19,233 62,690 54,915 70,964 18,642 February 240,106 49,053 70,505 16,980 18,957 6,664 227,464 226,666 64,224 March 19,594 17,890 7,553 251,734 256,148 243,550 57,970 78,346 68,260 April 239,239 18,174 19,421 8.213 257,697 246,079 68,363 56,319 83,603 May

<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 MAY 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 June.

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

- . trend estimates as published;
- trend estimates assuming an increase in seasonally adjusted data for June of 3% on the May figure;
- trend estimates assuming a decrease in seasonally adjusted data for June of 3% on the May 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 3.34%

	Trend as published		What if next month's seasonally adjusted estimate:		
		rises by 3%	falls by 3%		
400C 07-	(tonnes,	carcass weight)			
1996-97p December	224.069	224.053	224,363		
January	230.285	230,327	230.871		
February	235.682	235.731	236.002		
March	240.106	239,986	239,270		
April	243,550	243,285	240,918		
May	246,079	245,809	241,349		
June	_	247.478	240,748		

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

At last Saturday of	Beef(b) and veal	Mutton	Lamb	Pork	Goat	Offal	Tota
1995-96 p							
February	31,481	7,910	2.137	2,147	28	6,981	50,68
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	49,92
June	25,487	7,595	3,072	1,380	39	6,388	43,96
1996-97 p—							
July	22,492	7,081	2,785	1,054	18	6,022	39,45
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, <b>474</b>	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	35,77
January .	19.236	3,709	2,372	955	23	5,122	31,41
February	22,364	3,518	2,651	1,211	18	5,526	35,28
March	22,353	3,952	3,327	1,646	14	5,777	37,06
April -	23.684	4,635	3,537	1,962	24	5,623	39,46

<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.

(b) Includes buffalo meat.

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

					(tonnes)						
					<u>chilled or fi</u>			LZES		Bacon and	Cannea
	<u>Beef(</u>		Veal	<del></del> -	Mutto	· <del></del>	Lam.		Pork	ham(d)	meat(e)
<u> </u>	Bone-in	Bone-out	Bone-in	Bone-out	Bone-in	Bone-out	Bone-in	Bone-out	5,855	204	10,354
1993-94	62,662	742,390	1,342	5,818	97,851	70,959	52,719	5,226	•		
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 p	50,718	702,618	1, <b>6</b> 96	5,348	80,955	64,215	46,269	7,744	5,656	359	14,230
1995-96 p—								500		7.6	1 244
February	3,948	49,793	151	270	7,264	5,239	3,344	682	234	76	1,244
March	5.643	70,780	154	324	9,632	5,810	4,359	754	<b>4</b> 31	48	1,624
April	4,174	57,190	89	363	6,408	5,444	3, <b>599</b>	774	328	48	784
May	2.965	56,505	173	377	6,392	4,987	3,961	855	515	24	883
June	1,448	54,503	84	207	5,664	4,459	4,102	639	914	51	876
1996-97 p—									<b>503</b>		00.7
July	1,698	60,887	171	270	5,146	4,501	3,470	549	693	62	923
August	3,740	51,732	122	374	5,317	3,515	3,070	592	528	3	1,045
September	5,332	46,702	148	423	6,386	3,528	4,267	557	595	39	1,070
October	5.651	56.495	147	410	7,516	4,744	5,402	734	666	29	989
November	7.362	59,047	68	372	9,437	5,190	4,929	882	659	29	1,097
December	6.054	54,030	28	171	9,597	4,431	4,051	726	296	25	812
January	2,868	39,398	51	169	7,757	4,052	3,339	608	223	29	667
February	3,618	57,130	74	337	9,239	4,374	4,334	908	285	33	1,087
March	4,055	62,387	54	248	8,248	4,252	4,643	734	340	16	917
April	2,875	68,636	87	328	8,269	3,546	5,333	774	417	3	968

<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 ham.

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

	Number ('000)	Gross Weight ('000 tonnes)	Gross Value (\$ '000)	Unit Value(b) (\$)
1993-94	5,433.1	287.6	149,027	27.43
1994-95	5,697.0	290.2	184,291	32.35
1995-96 p	5,879.9	296.9	226,911	38.59
1995-96 p				
February	502.8	26.5	19,731	39.24
March	543.6	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 р—				
July	274.4	13.7	9,969	36.32
August	387.3	19 <u>.1</u>	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	35.75
December	474.7	25.6	16,081	33.87
January	546.3	30.0	18,776	34.37
February	489.5	25.4	17,254	35.25
March	470.5	23.2	16,319	34.68
April -	336.1	17.6	1 <del>1,</del> 893	35.39

<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	115,021	489.97			
1994-95	3 <b>85</b> .7	136.5	201,948	523.52			
1995-96 p	615.9	219.0	343,699	558.07			
1995-96 p—							
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	72.9	24.4	35,024	480.73			
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	490.72			
December	65.3	22.7	31,170	477.62			
January	64.6	24.4	32,843	508.60			
February	66.5	24.6	33,617	505.38			
March	67.9	26.1	32,863	484.13			
April	88.2	32.2	43,745	496.13			

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

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

	<u>`</u>									
	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	133,756.6	85,410.9	55,333.1	26,948.2	34,931.2	336,380.0				
1995-96 —										
March	11,828.7	7,303.2	4,890.0	2,310.9	3,030.4	29,363.3				
April	10,660.8	7,047.4	4,505.4	2,395.9	2,922.3	27,531.7				
May	10,983.4	7,538.6	4,164.3	2,029.7	2,797.8	27,513.8				
June	11,323.1	6,689.1	4,326.5	2,091.2	2,927.4	27,357.4				
1996-97 p—										
July	11,323.1	7,397.0	4,875.5	2,344.6	3,222.5	29,162.6				
August	10,352.7	7,155.9	4,484.2	2,139.6	2,828.4	26,960.8				
September	11,601.2	7,308.5	4,882.2	2,206.1	3,203.6	29,201.6				
October	11,729.3	8,282.4	5,312.9	2,396.1	3,192.3	30,912.9				
November	10,148.7	6,957.6	4,855.2	2,221.8	2,952.5	27,135.8				
December	11,478.0	7,780.8	5,395.2	2,570.2	3,330.8	30,554.9				
January *	11,254.9	7,661.6	5,423.8	2,506.3	3,253.8	30,100.4				
February	10,398.5	6,863.8	4,759.9	2,056.1	2,892.5	26,970.9				
-March	11,517.4	6,520.7	5,301.6	2,457.2	2,714.6	28,511.5				
April	11,475.7	7,244.5	5,373.5	2,444.9	3,019.1	29,557.6				
May	10,609.1	6,867.5	4,956.4	2,253.2	2,834.1	27,520.2				

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

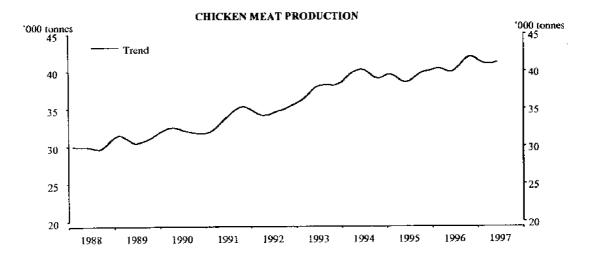
TABLE 8. CHICKEN MEAT PRODUCED (a) (Tonnes carcass weight)

	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	199,152	127,736	71.607	37,691	44,358	480,544	
1995-96 —							
March	18,093	10,894	6,49 <del>6</del>	3,359	3,863	42,705	40,153
April	15,987	10,543	5,783	3,438	3,698	39,448	39,933
May	16,509	10,675	5,427	2,880	3,642	39,132	39,868
June	16,496	10,212	5,677	2,942	3,922	39,249	40,145
1996-97 р—							
July	16,763	10,739	6,304	3,110	4,329	41,245	40,662
August	15,510	11,366	5,786	2,827	3,757	39,246	41,239
September	17,422	11,122	6,318	3,042	4,227	42,130	41,736
October	17,938	12,457	6,881	3,155	4,187	44,617	41,963
November	15,114	10,453	6,291	3,167	3,835	38,860	41,820
December	16,605	11,780	7,041	3,600	4,262	43,288	41,482
January	16,623	11,173	7, <b>077</b>	3,502	4,071	42,446	41,153
February	15,234	11,030	6,314	2,819	3,699	39,097	40,989
March	17,246	9,188	7,077	3,440	3,371	40,323	40,973
April	17,574	10,256	7,141	3,595	3,771	42,336	41,040
May	16,571	10,367	6,750	3,262	3,573	40,524	41,202

<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, Belconnen ACT 2616 (Attention: Agriculture Section).



# RELIABILITY OF MAY TREND ESTIMATES FOR CHICKEN 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 June.

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

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

The percentage change of 4% was chosen because the average absolute monthly percentage change in the seasonally adjusted data since the inception of the series has been 3.84%

	Trend as published		What if nexr month's seasonally adjusted estimate:			
		rises by 4%	falls by 4%			
	(tonnes,	carcass weight)				
1996-97p			44 504			
December	41, <b>48</b> 2	41,438	41,501			
Janu <b>ary</b>	41,153	41,068	41,178			
February	40.989	40,940	40,995			
March	40,973	41,100	40,955			
April	41.040	41,452	40,973			
May	41,202	41,912	41,009			
June	_	42,426	41,064			

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	1,114	5,481	751	513	342	514	8,716	• •	
1995-96—									
February	86	445	60	36	26	49	701	730	733
March	90	392	60	36	27	46	650	727	751
April	83	307	54	35	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	91	259	64	39	30	12	494	765	775
August	97	394	66	44	<del>-</del> 30	22	653	741	765
September	105	<b>59</b> 9	67	50	31	49	900	738	755
October	115	758	72	57	32	69	1,104	748	747
November -	109	748	69	54	29	74	1,083	756	745
December	109	691	72	51	28	71	1,021	764	746
January	105	568	71	47	27	56	874	736	746
February	91	430	61	39	26	48	695	726	746
March -	_ 98	390	67	40	29 -	48 👡	671	- 749	748
April	90	295	61	37	28	37	548	768	749

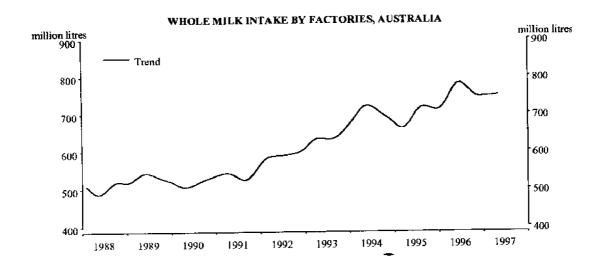
<sup>(</sup>a) Includes the whole milk equivalent of farm cream intake. (b) Trend estimates for the most recent months are subject to revision when data for subsequent months become available.

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

	NSW	TAY -	OU	SA	WA	Tas.	40.00
	14914	Vic.	Qld		m A	1 43.	Aust.
1993-94	607	454	356	1 59	181	53	1,811
1994-95	605	452	368	167	188	52	1,832
1995-96	611	456	372	163	187	50	1,840
1995-96 —							
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	52	39	33	14	17	4	159
August	53	40	33	14	17	4	161
September	51	37	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	15	4	151
January	51	37	32	15	16	4	1 54
February	47	34	29	13	15	4	142
March	52	37	31	14	16	4	155
April	50	37	31	16	16	4	155

<sup>(</sup>a) Includes white, flavoured, high and low fat milk, uht milk.

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# RELIABILITY OF APRIL 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 May.

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

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

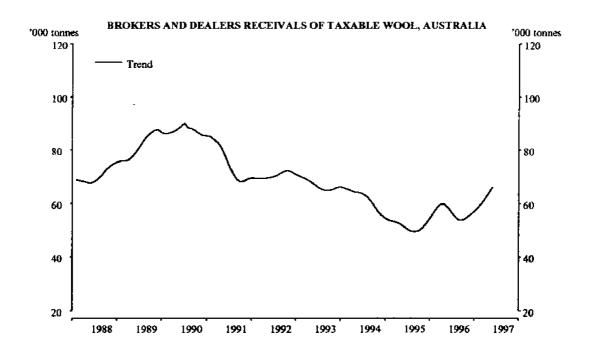
The percentage change of 2% was chosen because the average absolute monthly percentage change in the seasonally adjusted data since the inception of the series has been 2.16%

	Trend as published		What if next month's seasonally adjusted estimate:			
		rises by 2%	falls by 2%			
	(million	litres)				
1996-97p	745	744	745			
November	745 746	744 744	745			
December	746	746	746			
January February	746	748	746			
rebidaly March	748	753	748			
April	749	759	750			
May	_	766	752			

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

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								Austro	ilia	
	NSW	Vic.	<u>Qld</u>	SA	WA	Tas.	Total	% of Total received by brokers	Seas- onally adjusted	Trend 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	165,523	161,388	44,639	87,764	165,979	15,997	641,290	85.5	• •	
1995-96										
March	13,441	10,416	4,125	7,884	16,422	675	52,963	83.3	57,216	59,736
April	11,353	9,464	3,511	6,566	12,719	604	44,217	84.5	61,824	59,651
May	11,164	8,683	4,076	4,787	9,334	1,798	39,841	82.7	62,332	58,379
June	10,223	4,856	4,196	2.878	4,426	957	27,537	80.3	56,580	56,540
1996-97 p—						-	•			
July	14,065	8,383	4,845	4,775	9,510	1,290	42,868	79.5	52,198	54,738
August	18,953	14,687	4,853	8,317	17,932	1,693	66,436	85.5	49,462	53,778
September .	24,843	22,966	4,303	12,574	21,734	1,894	88,314	84.8	55,797	53,910
October	25,111	26,202	2,902	13,334	21,541	2,335	91,425	85.2	54,216	54.677
November	19,639	26,231	2,977	10,558	14,957	2,900	77,261	82.6	_58,822	55,803
December	11,998	17,582	1,679	4,907	6,273	1,778	44,218	79.4	55,705	57,045
January	12,931	13,080	2,927	3,846	11,233	1,641	45,659	81.9	63,006	58,333
February	11,877	10,918	1,865	6,091	15,002	838	46,591	<del>~</del> 80.7	52,980	59,919
March .	14,476	9,940	4,794	8,115	15,251	835	53,412	82.3	57,539	61,936
April ***	14,402	9,397	5,59 <del>6</del>	8,343	13,831	945	52,515	82.3	72,915	64,145
May	13,632	8,877	4,586	5,330	8,007	1,623	42,055	79.3	66,075	66,072

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



# RELIABILITY OF MAY 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 June.

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

trend estimates as published;

trend estimates assuming an increase in seasonally adjusted data for June of 9% on the May figure;

 trend estimates assuming a decrease in seasonally adjusted data for June of 9% on the May 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 8.81%

	Trend as published		What if next month's seasonally adjusted estimate:			
		rises by 9%	falls by 9%			
	(tonnes)					
1996-97p						
December	57,045	56,922	<b>5</b> 7, <b>1</b> 47			
January	<b>58,3</b> 33	58,153	58,549			
February	59,919	59,834	60,031			
March	61,936	62,188	61,667			
April	64,145	64,923	63,198			
May	66,072	67,606	64,357			
June	_	70,145	65,243			

#### **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 Sensitivity 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

12. Users may also wish to refer to the following priced publications which are available on request:

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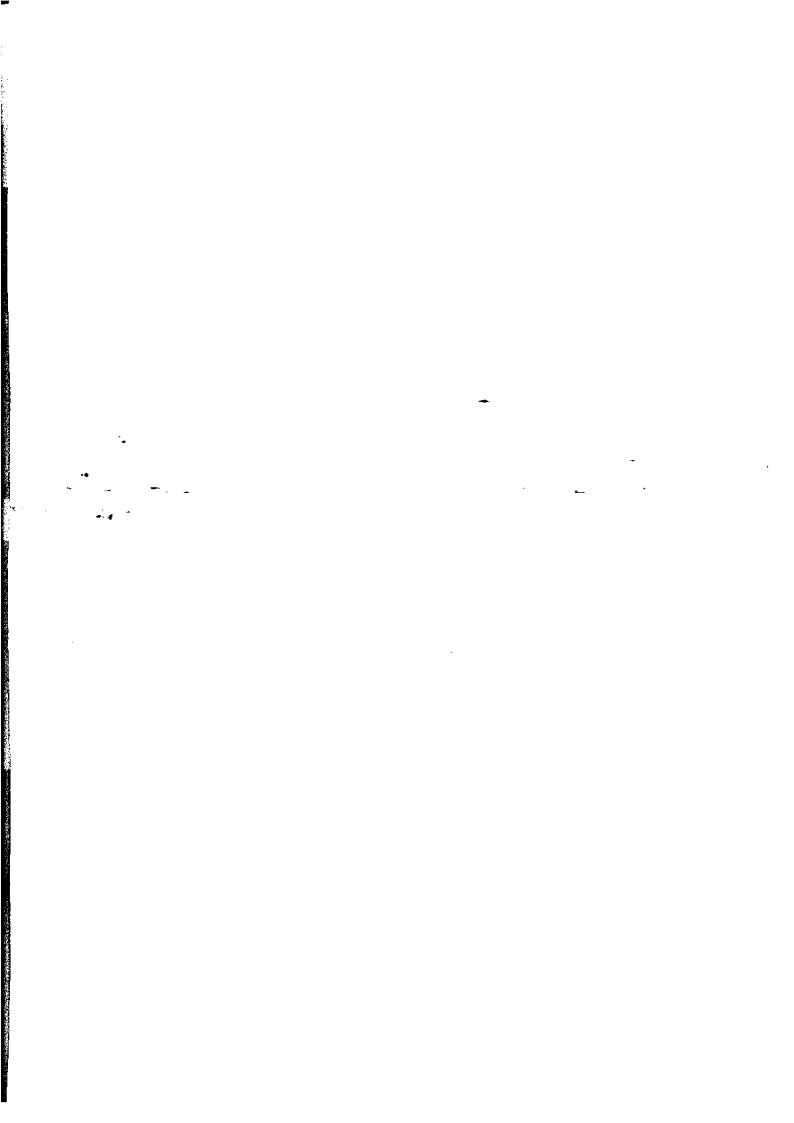
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