

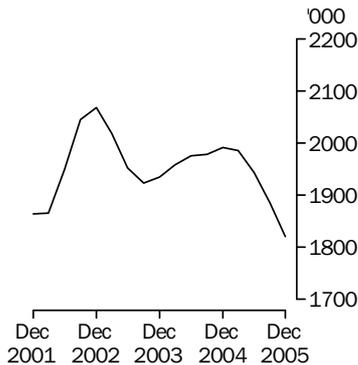
# LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS

AUSTRALIA

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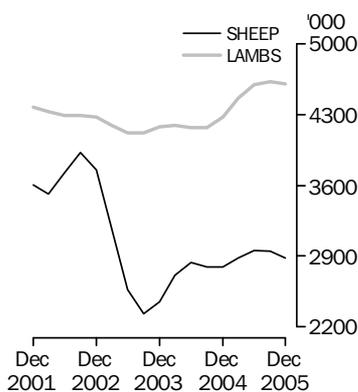
## Cattle slaughtering

Excluding calves  
Trend



## Sheep and lamb slaughtering

Trend



## KEY FIGURES

### TREND ESTIMATES

|                    | Dec Qtr 2004<br>'000 | Sep Qtr 2005<br>'000 | Dec Qtr 2005<br>'000 |
|--------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Number slaughtered |                      |                      |                      |
| Cattle             | 1 991.6              | 1 883.6              | 1 819.9              |
| Calves             | 214.2                | 207.1                | 210.5                |
| Sheep              | 2 790.0              | 2 945.4              | 2 878.4              |
| Lambs              | 4 274.3              | 4 626.9              | 4 604.1              |
| Pigs               | 1 335.2              | 1 333.3              | 1 338.1              |
| Chickens           | 108 963.5            | 109 030.3            | 109 825.4            |

|                | Dec Qtr 2004<br>tonnes | Sep Qtr 2005<br>tonnes | Dec Qtr 2005<br>tonnes |
|----------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Meat produced  |                        |                        |                        |
| Beef           | 532 081                | 509 304                | 494 900                |
| Veal           | 7 197                  | 7 013                  | 7 229                  |
| Mutton         | 57 958                 | 60 884                 | 59 488                 |
| Lamb           | 86 879                 | 94 957                 | 93 803                 |
| Pig meat       | 97 218                 | 96 862                 | 96 985                 |
| Chicken meat   | 185 350                | 191 080                | 189 501                |
| Wool receivals | 117 103                | 120 713                | 117 447                |

|                                | Sep Qtr 2004<br>ML | Jun Qtr 2005<br>ML | Sep Qtr 2005<br>ML |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Whole milk intake by factories | 2 494              | 2 586              | 2 585              |

Whole milk

intake by

factories

2 494

2 586

2 585

## KEY POINTS

### TREND ESTIMATES

- In December quarter 2005, the trend estimate for the number of cattle slaughtered fell by 3% to 1.8 million, the lowest quarterly trend estimate since December quarter 1996.
- In December quarter 2005, the trend estimate for the number of calves slaughtered rose by 2% to 211,000, the first significant quarterly rise since December 2002.
- In December quarter 2005, the trend estimate for sheep slaughtered fell by 2% to 2.9 million, the lowest quarterly trend estimate since December quarter 2004.
- In December quarter 2005, the trend estimate for pigs slaughtered remained steady at 1.3 million.

## INQUIRIES

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# NOTES

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## ABBREVIATIONS

ABS Australian Bureau of Statistics

ML megalitre

t tonne

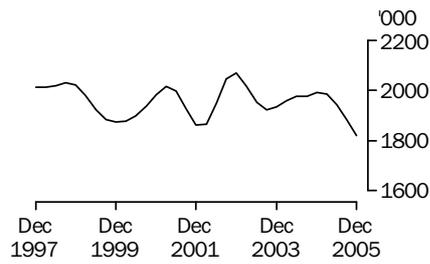
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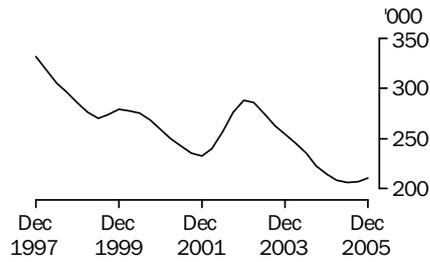
## LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED TREND

### CATTLE (EXCLUDING CALVES)



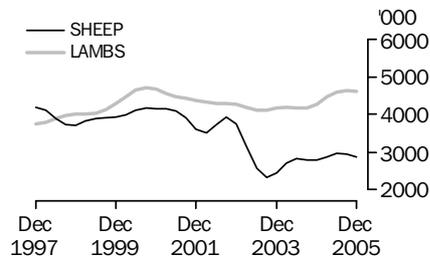
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### CALVES



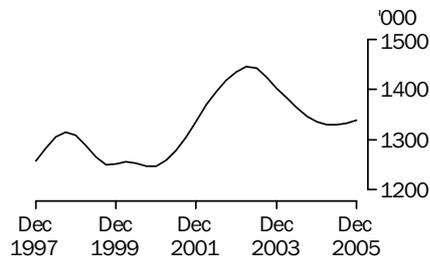
The trend estimate for the number of calves slaughtered in December quarter 2005 rose by 2% to 211,000.

### SHEEP AND LAMBS



In December quarter 2005, the trend estimate for the number of sheep slaughtered decreased by 2% to 2.9 million. The number of lambs slaughtered decreased slightly to 4.6 million.

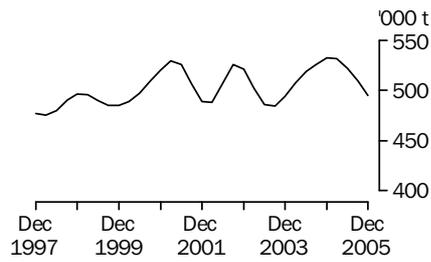
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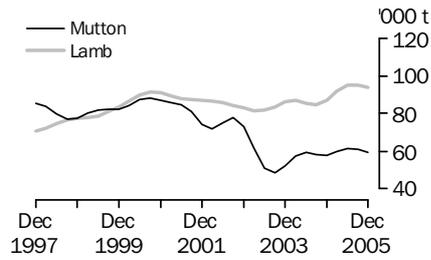
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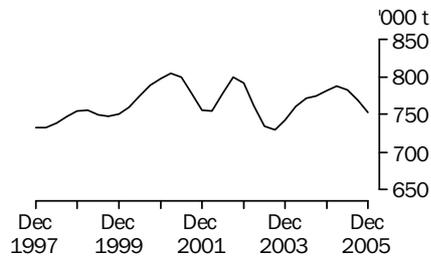
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### MUTTON AND LAMB



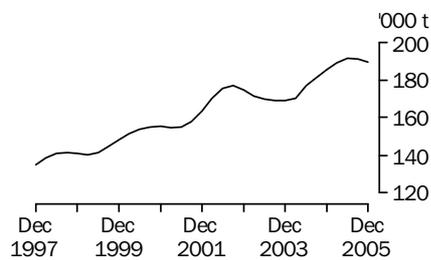
In December quarter 2005, the trend estimate for mutton production decreased by 2% to 59,500 tonnes. The trend estimate for lamb production decreased slightly to 93,800 tonnes.

### TOTAL RED MEAT



The trend estimate for red meat production fell by 2% to 752,000 tonnes in December quarter 2005.

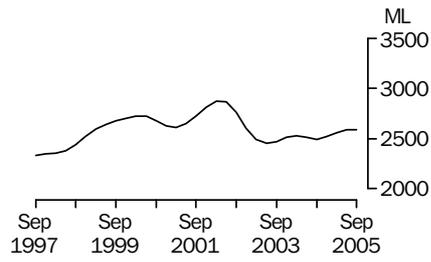
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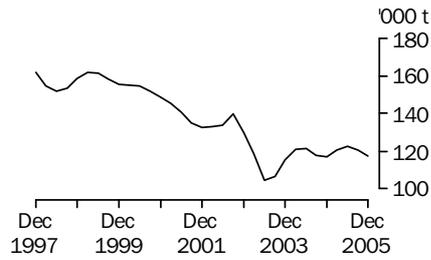
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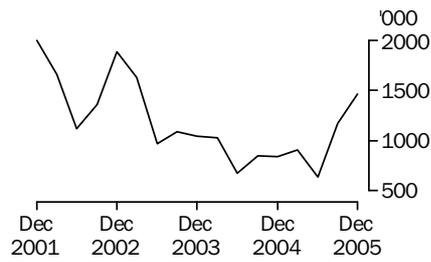
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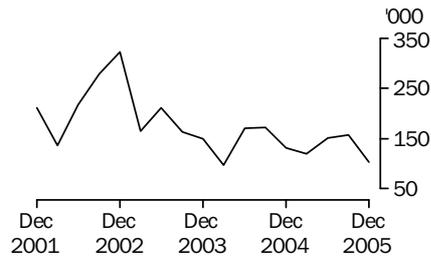
# LIVESTOCK EXPORTS ORIGINAL

## EXPORTS OF LIVE SHEEP



Live sheep exports rose by 25% to 1.5 million in December quarter 2005. A slight fall in unit value (to \$69.18) saw gross value of live sheep exports increase by 23% to \$101 million.

## EXPORTS OF LIVE CATTLE



In December quarter 2005, live cattle exports fell by 35% to 103,000. An 18% increase in unit value (to \$719.55) saw the gross value of live cattle exports decrease by 23% to \$73.9 million.

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LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED, Australia(a): All Series

| Quarter             | Bulls,<br>bullocks<br>and<br>steers<br>'000 | Cows<br>and<br>heifers<br>'000 | Cattle<br>(excluding<br>calves)<br>'000 | Calves<br>'000 | Sheep<br>'000 | Lambs<br>'000 | Pigs<br>'000 | Chickens<br>'000 |
|---------------------|---------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|------------------|
| ORIGINAL            |                                             |                                |                                         |                |               |               |              |                  |
| <b>2004</b>         |                                             |                                |                                         |                |               |               |              |                  |
| September           | 1 135.9                                     | 953.4                          | 2 089.3                                 | 413.9          | 2 345.3       | 3 597.7       | 1 360.1      | 106 408.0        |
| December            | 1 105.2                                     | 829.4                          | 1 934.6                                 | 151.8          | 3 014.7       | 4 554.6       | 1 303.7      | 118 723.1        |
| <b>2005</b>         |                                             |                                |                                         |                |               |               |              |                  |
| March               | 1 007.6                                     | 807.5                          | 1 815.2                                 | 98.1           | 3 139.4       | 4 362.4       | 1 297.5      | 104 658.7        |
| June                | 1 138.1                                     | 1 008.4                        | 2 146.5                                 | 204.1          | 2 943.2       | 4 815.8       | 1 377.8      | 107 851.1        |
| September           | 1 102.8                                     | 772.0                          | 1 874.7                                 | 376.0          | 2 403.0       | 4 333.0       | 1 335.9      | 108 849.6        |
| December            | 1 045.7                                     | 761.2                          | 1 806.9                                 | 145.0          | 3 150.8       | 4 716.7       | 1 322.3      | 111 539.9        |
| SEASONALLY ADJUSTED |                                             |                                |                                         |                |               |               |              |                  |
| <b>2004</b>         |                                             |                                |                                         |                |               |               |              |                  |
| September           | 1 099.0                                     | 930.4                          | 2 029.5                                 | 220.5          | 2 763.8       | 3 872.1       | 1 343.0      | 107 826.8        |
| December            | 1 074.6                                     | 880.9                          | 1 955.4                                 | 224.2          | 2 730.7       | 4 358.8       | 1 331.5      | 115 407.2        |
| <b>2005</b>         |                                             |                                |                                         |                |               |               |              |                  |
| March               | 1 095.7                                     | 874.8                          | 1 970.5                                 | 195.4          | 2 795.4       | 4 364.5       | 1 338.4      | 105 163.6        |
| June                | 1 115.6                                     | 905.4                          | 2 020.9                                 | 215.4          | 3 177.4       | 4 687.6       | 1 322.9      | 109 534.0        |
| September           | 1 067.7                                     | 753.4                          | 1 821.1                                 | 201.0          | 2 846.2       | 4 669.9       | 1 332.9      | 109 984.2        |
| December            | 1 016.1                                     | 808.1                          | 1 824.2                                 | 212.6          | 2 844.6       | 4 512.3       | 1 343.1      | 108 607.9        |
| TREND               |                                             |                                |                                         |                |               |               |              |                  |
| <b>2004</b>         |                                             |                                |                                         |                |               |               |              |                  |
| September           | 1 068.0                                     | 909.6                          | 1 977.7                                 | 223.1          | 2 794.2       | 4 171.9       | 1 347.1      | 108 427.6        |
| December            | 1 091.0                                     | 900.6                          | 1 991.6                                 | 214.2          | 2 790.0       | 4 274.3       | 1 335.2      | 108 963.5        |
| <b>2005</b>         |                                             |                                |                                         |                |               |               |              |                  |
| March               | 1 103.1                                     | 883.0                          | 1 986.1                                 | 208.5          | 2 879.1       | 4 461.3       | 1 329.8      | 108 826.9        |
| June                | 1 092.6                                     | 851.2                          | 1 943.8                                 | 206.1          | 2 958.9       | 4 593.2       | 1 330.2      | 108 639.2        |
| September           | 1 068.5                                     | 815.1                          | 1 883.6                                 | 207.1          | 2 945.4       | 4 626.9       | 1 333.3      | 109 030.3        |
| December            | 1 037.5                                     | 782.4                          | 1 819.9                                 | 210.5          | 2 878.4       | 4 604.1       | 1 338.1      | 109 825.4        |

(a) For more information refer to paragraphs 5, and 7 to 9 of the Explanatory Notes.

## LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS, Australia(a): All Series

| Quarter             | RED MEAT       |                |                  |                |                       |                             | Chicken<br>meat<br>tonnes | Whole<br>milk<br>intake by<br>factories<br>ML | Brokers<br>and dealers<br>receivals of<br>taxable wool<br>tonnes |
|---------------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|----------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                     | Beef<br>tonnes | Veal<br>tonnes | Mutton<br>tonnes | Lamb<br>tonnes | Pig<br>meat<br>tonnes | Total red<br>meat<br>tonnes |                           |                                               |                                                                  |
| ORIGINAL            |                |                |                  |                |                       |                             |                           |                                               |                                                                  |
| <b>2004</b>         |                |                |                  |                |                       |                             |                           |                                               |                                                                  |
| September           | 551 747        | 11 246         | 48 240           | 70 757         | 99 416                | 781 405                     | 179 282                   | 2 369                                         | 127 471                                                          |
| December            | 518 616        | 5 851          | 65 349           | 91 169         | 94 180                | 775 163                     | 195 330                   | 3 380                                         | 136 722                                                          |
| <b>2005</b>         |                |                |                  |                |                       |                             |                           |                                               |                                                                  |
| March               | 490 359        | 4 798          | 64 894           | 91 516         | 92 929                | 744 496                     | 178 055                   | 2 466                                         | 113 652                                                          |
| June                | 572 088        | 7 253          | 58 873           | 100 849        | 101 546               | 840 608                     | 197 362                   | 1 909                                         | 97 376                                                           |
| September           | 504 729        | 10 024         | 49 322           | 88 187         | 98 609                | 750 870                     | 188 782                   | 2 387                                         | 129 320                                                          |
| December            | 495 343        | 5 679          | 68 032           | 94 237         | 94 022                | 757 313                     | 190 998                   | nya                                           | 135 655                                                          |
| SEASONALLY ADJUSTED |                |                |                  |                |                       |                             |                           |                                               |                                                                  |
| <b>2004</b>         |                |                |                  |                |                       |                             |                           |                                               |                                                                  |
| September           | 543 637        | 7 659          | 56 858           | 76 875         | 97 190                | 782 219                     | 181 234                   | 2 504                                         | 114 412                                                          |
| December            | 518 816        | 7 534          | 57 021           | 88 335         | 97 918                | 769 624                     | 189 143                   | 2 462                                         | 116 161                                                          |
| <b>2005</b>         |                |                |                  |                |                       |                             |                           |                                               |                                                                  |
| March               | 532 763        | 6 324          | 58 266           | 90 862         | 96 740                | 784 955                     | 180 963                   | 2 578                                         | 117 806                                                          |
| June                | 535 429        | 7 223          | 65 876           | 96 836         | 96 289                | 801 653                     | 199 466                   | 2 650                                         | 130 468                                                          |
| September           | 497 531        | 6 857          | 58 478           | 95 866         | 97 586                | 756 318                     | 189 805                   | 2 518                                         | 117 138                                                          |
| December            | 495 567        | 7 262          | 59 104           | 91 451         | 96 620                | 750 004                     | 186 178                   | nya                                           | 115 639                                                          |
| TREND               |                |                |                  |                |                       |                             |                           |                                               |                                                                  |
| <b>2004</b>         |                |                |                  |                |                       |                             |                           |                                               |                                                                  |
| September           | 526 101        | 7 656          | 58 034           | 84 430         | 98 024                | 774 245                     | 181 237                   | 2 494                                         | 117 763                                                          |
| December            | 532 081        | 7 197          | 57 958           | 86 879         | 97 218                | 781 333                     | 185 350                   | 2 518                                         | 117 103                                                          |
| <b>2005</b>         |                |                |                  |                |                       |                             |                           |                                               |                                                                  |
| March               | 531 752        | 6 903          | 59 841           | 91 806         | 96 885                | 787 187                     | 189 231                   | 2 560                                         | 120 498                                                          |
| June                | 522 174        | 6 868          | 61 340           | 94 897         | 96 843                | 782 122                     | 191 313                   | 2 586                                         | 122 650                                                          |
| September           | 509 304        | 7 013          | 60 884           | 94 957         | 96 862                | 769 020                     | 191 080                   | 2 585                                         | 120 713                                                          |
| December            | 494 900        | 7 229          | 59 488           | 93 803         | 96 985                | 752 405                     | 189 501                   | nya                                           | 117 447                                                          |

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(a) For more information refer to paragraphs 5 to 9 and 13 to 15 of the Explanatory Notes.

## NUMBER OF LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED (a), Bulls, bullocks and steers: All Series

| Quarter             | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Australia      |
|---------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|----------------|
|                     | '000            | '000     | '000       | '000            | '000              | '000     | '000           |
| ORIGINAL            |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| <b>2004</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| September           | 235.4           | 137.2    | 653.8      | 34.9            | 50.3              | 24.0     | <b>1 135.9</b> |
| December            | 214.9           | 159.3    | 584.0      | 56.3            | 61.8              | 28.5     | <b>1 105.2</b> |
| <b>2005</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| March               | 226.9           | 160.5    | 484.7      | 51.7            | 52.5              | 31.0     | <b>1 007.6</b> |
| June                | 248.6           | 143.2    | 608.1      | 48.1            | 64.1              | 25.7     | <b>1 138.1</b> |
| September           | 224.4           | 124.1    | 657.2      | 34.7            | 42.3              | 19.7     | <b>1 102.8</b> |
| December            | 218.1           | 157.5    | 546.9      | 48.1            | 53.3              | 21.5     | <b>1 045.7</b> |
| SEASONALLY ADJUSTED |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| <b>2004</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| September           | 238.2           | 156.9    | 571.5      | 43.8            | 54.6              | 28.2     | <b>1 099.0</b> |
| December            | 216.4           | 150.5    | 576.2      | 49.1            | 51.5              | 29.5     | <b>1 074.6</b> |
| <b>2005</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| March               | 229.7           | 148.3    | 582.8      | 47.8            | 53.5              | 26.9     | <b>1 095.7</b> |
| June                | 240.7           | 145.1    | 601.9      | 49.2            | 71.5              | 25.0     | <b>1 115.6</b> |
| September           | 227.8           | 142.2    | 574.5      | 43.9            | 45.8              | 23.2     | <b>1 067.7</b> |
| December            | 219.3           | 149.0    | 539.0      | 41.6            | 44.5              | 22.1     | <b>1 016.1</b> |
| TREND               |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| <b>2004</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| September           | 213.1           | 157.5    | 560.0      | 44.8            | 51.6              | 28.8     | <b>1 068.0</b> |
| December            | 221.7           | 152.3    | 578.3      | 47.4            | 54.5              | 28.6     | <b>1 091.0</b> |
| <b>2005</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| March               | 230.3           | 147.2    | 591.0      | 48.8            | 58.5              | 27.1     | <b>1 103.1</b> |
| June                | 232.9           | 145.2    | 587.2      | 47.4            | 58.2              | 25.1     | <b>1 092.6</b> |
| September           | 229.9           | 145.0    | 572.9      | 44.8            | 53.2              | 23.3     | <b>1 068.5</b> |
| December            | 223.0           | 145.9    | 553.3      | 42.6            | 46.1              | 22.2     | <b>1 037.5</b> |

(a) For more information refer to paragraphs 4, 5 and 7 of the Explanatory Notes.

## NUMBER OF LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED (a), Cows and heifers: All Series

| Quarter             | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Australia      |
|---------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|----------------|
|                     | '000            | '000     | '000       | '000            | '000              | '000     | '000           |
| ORIGINAL            |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| <b>2004</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| September           | 206.5           | 238.0    | 377.2      | 37.0            | 71.6              | 22.1     | <b>953.4</b>   |
| December            | 195.8           | 222.2    | 281.1      | 42.6            | 64.9              | 21.8     | <b>829.4</b>   |
| <b>2005</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| March               | 169.9           | 210.1    | 285.9      | 43.6            | 73.6              | 23.5     | <b>807.5</b>   |
| June                | 202.5           | 245.2    | 415.7      | 44.8            | 71.7              | 27.5     | <b>1 008.4</b> |
| September           | 136.9           | 188.4    | 332.6      | 25.6            | 63.8              | 23.7     | <b>772.0</b>   |
| December            | 162.8           | 198.6    | 272.3      | 40.9            | 61.1              | 24.4     | <b>761.2</b>   |
| SEASONALLY ADJUSTED |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| <b>2004</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| September           | 211.7           | 242.1    | 344.3      | 42.5            | 72.5              | 26.2     | <b>930.4</b>   |
| December            | 193.1           | 221.7    | 322.4      | 42.2            | 65.6              | 23.8     | <b>880.9</b>   |
| <b>2005</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| March               | 180.7           | 213.1    | 343.0      | 42.0            | 69.0              | 22.8     | <b>874.8</b>   |
| June                | 189.2           | 238.1    | 346.4      | 41.2            | 75.0              | 22.7     | <b>905.4</b>   |
| September           | 139.9           | 191.6    | 303.7      | 29.7            | 64.5              | 27.6     | <b>753.4</b>   |
| December            | 160.2           | 198.6    | 312.7      | 40.3            | 62.1              | 26.9     | <b>808.1</b>   |
| TREND               |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| <b>2004</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| September           | 192.4           | 234.7    | 340.2      | 42.0            | 69.9              | 25.2     | <b>909.6</b>   |
| December            | 193.9           | 227.5    | 335.8      | 42.7            | 69.4              | 23.9     | <b>900.6</b>   |
| <b>2005</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| March               | 186.4           | 222.7    | 336.8      | 41.3            | 70.0              | 23.2     | <b>883.0</b>   |
| June                | 172.7           | 216.3    | 331.8      | 38.3            | 69.6              | 24.1     | <b>851.2</b>   |
| September           | 160.2           | 207.1    | 320.4      | 36.3            | 67.1              | 25.8     | <b>815.1</b>   |
| December            | 150.8           | 197.1    | 307.0      | 35.9            | 63.5              | 27.5     | <b>782.4</b>   |

(a) For more information refer to paragraphs 4, 5 and 7 of the Explanatory Notes.

## NUMBER OF LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED(a), Total cattle (excluding calves): All Series

| Quarter             | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Australia      |
|---------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|----------------|
|                     | '000            | '000     | '000       | '000            | '000              | '000     | '000           |
| ORIGINAL            |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| <b>2004</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| September           | 441.8           | 375.1    | 1 030.9    | 72.0            | 122.0             | 46.1     | <b>2 089.3</b> |
| December            | 410.7           | 381.6    | 865.1      | 98.9            | 126.6             | 50.3     | <b>1 934.6</b> |
| <b>2005</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| March               | 396.8           | 370.6    | 770.6      | 95.3            | 126.1             | 54.5     | <b>1 815.2</b> |
| June                | 451.1           | 388.4    | 1 023.8    | 92.9            | 135.8             | 53.1     | <b>2 146.5</b> |
| September           | 361.3           | 312.5    | 989.8      | 60.3            | 106.1             | 43.4     | <b>1 874.7</b> |
| December            | 380.9           | 356.1    | 819.2      | 89.0            | 114.4             | 45.9     | <b>1 806.9</b> |
| SEASONALLY ADJUSTED |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| <b>2004</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| September           | 449.9           | 399.0    | 915.8      | 86.3            | 127.1             | 54.3     | <b>2 029.5</b> |
| December            | 409.5           | 372.3    | 898.6      | 91.3            | 117.0             | 53.3     | <b>1 955.4</b> |
| <b>2005</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| March               | 410.4           | 361.4    | 925.8      | 89.8            | 122.5             | 49.7     | <b>1 970.5</b> |
| June                | 429.9           | 383.2    | 948.2      | 90.5            | 146.5             | 47.7     | <b>2 020.9</b> |
| September           | 367.7           | 333.8    | 878.2      | 73.6            | 110.3             | 50.7     | <b>1 821.1</b> |
| December            | 379.5           | 347.6    | 851.7      | 81.9            | 106.6             | 49.0     | <b>1 824.2</b> |
| TREND               |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| <b>2004</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| September           | 405.5           | 392.3    | 900.2      | 86.7            | 121.4             | 54.1     | <b>1 977.7</b> |
| December            | 415.6           | 379.8    | 914.1      | 90.1            | 123.9             | 52.5     | <b>1 991.6</b> |
| <b>2005</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| March               | 416.7           | 369.9    | 927.9      | 90.1            | 128.5             | 50.3     | <b>1 986.1</b> |
| June                | 405.7           | 361.5    | 919.0      | 85.8            | 127.9             | 49.2     | <b>1 943.8</b> |
| September           | 390.0           | 352.1    | 893.3      | 81.1            | 120.3             | 49.2     | <b>1 883.6</b> |
| December            | 373.8           | 343.0    | 860.3      | 78.4            | 109.6             | 49.6     | <b>1 819.9</b> |

(a) For more information refer to paragraphs 4, 5 and 7 of the Explanatory Notes.

## NUMBER OF LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED (a), Calves: All Series

| Quarter             | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Australia    |
|---------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|--------------|
|                     | '000            | '000     | '000       | '000            | '000              | '000     | '000         |
| ORIGINAL            |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |              |
| <b>2004</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |              |
| September           | 50.8            | 307.9    | 20.1       | 1.5             | 1.2               | 32.2     | <b>413.9</b> |
| December            | 45.7            | 80.7     | 15.0       | 1.0             | 1.1               | 8.0      | <b>151.8</b> |
| <b>2005</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |              |
| March               | 49.1            | 28.7     | 17.2       | 1.2             | 0.9               | 0.9      | <b>98.1</b>  |
| June                | 55.6            | 121.6    | 21.1       | 1.6             | 1.1               | 3.0      | <b>204.1</b> |
| September           | 50.5            | 277.2    | 16.5       | 1.3             | 1.1               | 29.2     | <b>376.0</b> |
| December            | 48.0            | 73.7     | 14.0       | 0.9             | 1.0               | 7.3      | <b>145.0</b> |
| SEASONALLY ADJUSTED |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |              |
| <b>2004</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |              |
| September           | 51.7            | 136.2    | 19.6       | 1.4             | 1.1               | 10.9     | <b>220.5</b> |
| December            | 49.9            | 135.2    | 16.7       | 1.4             | 1.1               | 11.6     | <b>224.2</b> |
| <b>2005</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |              |
| March               | 48.4            | 132.9    | 17.4       | 1.3             | 1.1               | 11.7     | <b>195.4</b> |
| June                | 51.2            | 130.5    | 19.2       | 1.3             | 1.1               | 10.9     | <b>215.4</b> |
| September           | 51.3            | 123.1    | 16.2       | 1.2             | 1.0               | 9.9      | <b>201.0</b> |
| December            | 52.2            | 122.4    | 15.6       | 1.2             | 1.0               | 10.3     | <b>212.6</b> |
| TREND               |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |              |
| <b>2004</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |              |
| September           | 50.5            | 138.6    | 18.2       | 1.5             | 1.1               | 11.9     | <b>223.1</b> |
| December            | 49.7            | 134.9    | 17.9       | 1.3             | 1.1               | 11.5     | <b>214.2</b> |
| <b>2005</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |              |
| March               | 49.7            | 132.4    | 17.8       | 1.3             | 1.1               | 11.3     | <b>208.5</b> |
| June                | 50.3            | 129.1    | 17.6       | 1.3             | 1.0               | 10.9     | <b>206.1</b> |
| September           | 51.4            | 125.1    | 17.0       | 1.2             | 1.0               | 10.3     | <b>207.1</b> |
| December            | 52.3            | 122.0    | 15.8       | 1.2             | 1.0               | 10.1     | <b>210.5</b> |

(a) For more information refer to paragraphs 4, 5 and 7 of the Explanatory Notes.

## NUMBER OF LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED (a), Sheep: All Series

| Quarter             | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Australia      |
|---------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|----------------|
|                     | '000            | '000     | '000       | '000            | '000              | '000     | '000           |
| ORIGINAL            |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| <b>2004</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| September           | 715.1           | 672.7    | 220.1      | 213.1           | 479.1             | 45.2     | <b>2 345.3</b> |
| December            | 934.0           | 886.6    | 226.6      | 264.7           | 606.0             | 96.7     | <b>3 014.7</b> |
| <b>2005</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| March               | 933.6           | 945.3    | 227.2      | 284.7           | 651.6             | 97.1     | <b>3 139.4</b> |
| June                | 965.7           | 960.9    | 245.0      | 216.6           | 468.5             | 86.5     | <b>2 943.2</b> |
| September           | 697.6           | 791.2    | 208.0      | 218.2           | 442.1             | 45.8     | <b>2 403.0</b> |
| December            | 933.9           | 1 007.1  | 233.3      | 337.9           | 576.7             | 61.9     | <b>3 150.8</b> |
| SEASONALLY ADJUSTED |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| <b>2004</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| September           | 815.0           | 815.5    | 223.5      | 244.8           | 559.2             | 70.8     | <b>2 763.8</b> |
| December            | 867.1           | 801.2    | 225.1      | 225.1           | 531.8             | 93.2     | <b>2 730.7</b> |
| <b>2005</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| March               | 890.7           | 828.2    | 225.6      | 251.0           | 535.7             | 78.5     | <b>2 795.4</b> |
| June                | 963.0           | 1 035.1  | 245.0      | 265.1           | 591.0             | 80.8     | <b>3 177.4</b> |
| September           | 803.9           | 960.7    | 211.4      | 250.5           | 521.5             | 71.7     | <b>2 846.2</b> |
| December            | 862.9           | 910.4    | 230.5      | 285.9           | 503.8             | 59.4     | <b>2 844.6</b> |
| TREND               |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| <b>2004</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| September           | 877.6           | 822.2    | 218.7      | 240.4           | 555.2             | 74.8     | <b>2 794.2</b> |
| December            | 871.2           | 822.1    | 226.0      | 240.5           | 549.6             | 81.9     | <b>2 790.0</b> |
| <b>2005</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| March               | 893.1           | 880.3    | 230.7      | 244.9           | 551.0             | 84.5     | <b>2 879.1</b> |
| June                | 897.2           | 946.3    | 229.7      | 255.7           | 552.0             | 78.4     | <b>2 958.9</b> |
| September           | 869.8           | 967.5    | 226.9      | 266.0           | 537.3             | 70.3     | <b>2 945.4</b> |
| December            | 841.5           | 953.6    | 224.3      | 274.6           | 513.2             | 63.8     | <b>2 878.4</b> |

(a) For more information refer to paragraphs 4, 5 and 7 of the Explanatory Notes.

## NUMBER OF LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED (a), Lambs: All Series

| Quarter             | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Australia      |
|---------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|----------------|
|                     | '000            | '000     | '000       | '000            | '000              | '000     | '000           |
| ORIGINAL            |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| <b>2004</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| September           | 892.5           | 1 393.7  | 74.7       | 559.7           | 577.7             | 99.5     | <b>3 597.7</b> |
| December            | 1 049.2         | 1 839.6  | 72.1       | 853.9           | 639.4             | 100.4    | <b>4 554.6</b> |
| <b>2005</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| March               | 1 057.0         | 1 692.8  | 62.4       | 870.8           | 575.6             | 103.7    | <b>4 362.4</b> |
| June                | 1 111.8         | 1 861.0  | 78.0       | 951.8           | 674.0             | 139.3    | <b>4 815.8</b> |
| September           | 966.9           | 1 755.0  | 70.2       | 694.2           | 705.4             | 141.3    | <b>4 333.0</b> |
| December            | 1 047.5         | 1 947.5  | 65.4       | 843.5           | 695.8             | 117.1    | <b>4 716.7</b> |
| SEASONALLY ADJUSTED |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| <b>2004</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| September           | 904.3           | 1 442.7  | 68.0       | 708.7           | 617.3             | 96.2     | <b>3 872.1</b> |
| December            | 1 046.3         | 1 716.4  | 77.2       | 813.9           | 597.3             | 107.9    | <b>4 358.8</b> |
| <b>2005</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| March               | 1 050.8         | 1 757.5  | 70.0       | 802.3           | 587.9             | 109.9    | <b>4 364.5</b> |
| June                | 1 107.3         | 1 858.4  | 72.3       | 884.6           | 664.9             | 127.2    | <b>4 687.6</b> |
| September           | 980.6           | 1 822.2  | 64.3       | 880.4           | 750.9             | 136.6    | <b>4 669.9</b> |
| December            | 1 043.2         | 1 815.6  | 69.7       | 803.4           | 653.0             | 125.8    | <b>4 512.3</b> |
| TREND               |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| <b>2004</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| September           | 1 022.8         | 1 670.5  | 68.3       | 738.4           | 619.6             | 102.2    | <b>4 171.9</b> |
| December            | 1 046.1         | 1 713.8  | 70.2       | 778.1           | 597.9             | 104.4    | <b>4 274.3</b> |
| <b>2005</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| March               | 1 063.9         | 1 775.5  | 70.5       | 833.7           | 616.9             | 114.4    | <b>4 461.3</b> |
| June                | 1 054.9         | 1 818.2  | 69.5       | 860.7           | 663.3             | 124.8    | <b>4 593.2</b> |
| September           | 1 036.8         | 1 832.2  | 68.2       | 858.0           | 695.1             | 130.5    | <b>4 626.9</b> |
| December            | 1 023.5         | 1 828.5  | 67.6       | 842.3           | 701.2             | 132.1    | <b>4 604.1</b> |

(a) For more information refer to paragraphs 4, 5 and 7 of the Explanatory Notes.

## NUMBER OF LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED (a), Pigs: All Series

| Quarter             | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Australia      |
|---------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|----------------|
|                     | '000            | '000     | '000       | '000            | '000              | '000     | '000           |
| ORIGINAL            |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| <b>2004</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| September           | 415.9           | 235.2    | 323.1      | 201.3           | 170.6             | 11.6     | <b>1 360.1</b> |
| December            | 392.5           | 210.3    | 314.6      | 218.5           | 152.6             | 13.3     | <b>1 303.7</b> |
| <b>2005</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| March               | 382.7           | 198.6    | 318.1      | 229.8           | 156.8             | 9.9      | <b>1 297.5</b> |
| June                | 423.5           | 203.3    | 329.5      | 245.2           | 163.7             | 10.8     | <b>1 377.8</b> |
| September           | 424.6           | 181.8    | 314.1      | 250.5           | 152.8             | 10.4     | <b>1 335.9</b> |
| December            | 421.6           | 192.2    | 302.7      | 251.4           | 141.6             | 11.1     | <b>1 322.3</b> |
| SEASONALLY ADJUSTED |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| <b>2004</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| September           | 413.8           | 232.1    | 319.7      | 204.0           | 167.5             | 11.2     | <b>1 343.0</b> |
| December            | 398.7           | 210.8    | 322.9      | 232.7           | 160.4             | 12.0     | <b>1 331.5</b> |
| <b>2005</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| March               | 400.3           | 206.3    | 325.7      | 231.5           | 159.2             | 10.8     | <b>1 338.4</b> |
| June                | 405.0           | 195.2    | 316.6      | 229.2           | 156.7             | 11.2     | <b>1 322.9</b> |
| September           | 420.5           | 184.0    | 314.4      | 251.4           | 149.9             | 10.3     | <b>1 332.9</b> |
| December            | 427.1           | 192.6    | 309.2      | 269.6           | 149.1             | 10.0     | <b>1 343.1</b> |
| TREND               |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| <b>2004</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| September           | 411.1           | 228.2    | 321.4      | 210.9           | 165.2             | 11.3     | <b>1 347.1</b> |
| December            | 402.4           | 216.2    | 322.6      | 222.7           | 162.3             | 11.4     | <b>1 335.2</b> |
| <b>2005</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| March               | 400.2           | 203.5    | 322.4      | 230.4           | 158.9             | 11.3     | <b>1 329.8</b> |
| June                | 407.5           | 194.9    | 318.8      | 238.0           | 155.3             | 10.9     | <b>1 330.2</b> |
| September           | 417.6           | 189.9    | 313.9      | 249.7           | 151.8             | 10.4     | <b>1 333.3</b> |
| December            | 426.6           | 186.8    | 309.5      | 264.6           | 148.3             | 10.1     | <b>1 338.1</b> |

(a) For more information refer to paragraphs 4, 5 and 7 of the Explanatory Notes.

## NUMBER OF CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED(a): All Series

| Quarter             | New South<br>Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South<br>Australia | Western<br>Australia | Australia        |
|---------------------|--------------------|----------|------------|--------------------|----------------------|------------------|
|                     | '000               | '000     | '000       | '000               | '000                 | '000             |
| ORIGINAL            |                    |          |            |                    |                      |                  |
| <b>2004</b>         |                    |          |            |                    |                      |                  |
| September           | 37 001.4           | 29 496.7 | 20 190.6   | np                 | np                   | <b>106 408.0</b> |
| December            | 40 401.4           | 33 740.6 | 22 856.1   | np                 | np                   | <b>118 723.1</b> |
| <b>2005</b>         |                    |          |            |                    |                      |                  |
| March               | 34 263.7           | 30 463.9 | 20 383.2   | np                 | np                   | <b>104 658.7</b> |
| June                | 36 306.7           | 31 025.2 | 20 656.3   | np                 | np                   | <b>107 851.1</b> |
| September           | 37 957.7           | 29 610.1 | 21 212.8   | np                 | np                   | <b>108 849.6</b> |
| December            | 37 118.0           | 31 130.2 | 22 124.3   | np                 | np                   | <b>111 539.9</b> |
| SEASONALLY ADJUSTED |                    |          |            |                    |                      |                  |
| <b>2004</b>         |                    |          |            |                    |                      |                  |
| September           | 37 123.7           | 30 124.7 | 20 598.5   | np                 | np                   | <b>107 826.8</b> |
| December            | 39 822.4           | 32 975.6 | 21 513.9   | np                 | np                   | <b>115 407.2</b> |
| <b>2005</b>         |                    |          |            |                    |                      |                  |
| March               | 34 640.2           | 30 229.3 | 20 757.2   | np                 | np                   | <b>105 163.6</b> |
| June                | 36 746.8           | 31 211.0 | 21 353.9   | np                 | np                   | <b>109 534.0</b> |
| September           | 37 619.8           | 30 746.8 | 21 280.0   | np                 | np                   | <b>109 984.2</b> |
| December            | 36 807.6           | 30 280.6 | 20 987.0   | np                 | np                   | <b>108 607.9</b> |
| TREND               |                    |          |            |                    |                      |                  |
| <b>2004</b>         |                    |          |            |                    |                      |                  |
| September           | 37 958.9           | 29 960.9 | 20 321.7   | np                 | np                   | <b>108 427.6</b> |
| December            | 37 482.4           | 30 171.4 | 20 975.0   | np                 | np                   | <b>108 963.5</b> |
| <b>2005</b>         |                    |          |            |                    |                      |                  |
| March               | 36 808.7           | 30 535.6 | 21 277.9   | np                 | np                   | <b>108 826.9</b> |
| June                | 36 559.0           | 30 756.7 | 21 195.0   | np                 | np                   | <b>108 639.2</b> |
| September           | 36 837.5           | 30 747.6 | 21 174.0   | np                 | np                   | <b>109 030.3</b> |
| December            | 37 518.6           | 30 556.9 | 21 173.6   | np                 | np                   | <b>109 825.4</b> |

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(a) For more information refer to paragraphs 8 and 9 of the Explanatory Notes.

## NUMBER OF LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED (a): Original

| Financial year                    | New South Wales<br>'000 | Victoria<br>'000 | Queensland<br>'000 | South Australia<br>'000 | Western Australia<br>'000 | Tasmania<br>'000 | Australia<br>'000 |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| <b>BULLS, BULLOCKS AND STEERS</b> |                         |                  |                    |                         |                           |                  |                   |
| 2002-03                           | 961.6                   | 630.0            | 1 993.7            | 166.6                   | 173.4                     | 79.9             | <b>4 006.3</b>    |
| 2003-04                           | 794.0                   | 613.5            | 2 049.9            | 178.6                   | 200.4                     | 98.3             | <b>3 935.7</b>    |
| 2004-05                           | 925.8                   | 600.2            | 2 330.6            | 191.1                   | 228.7                     | 109.2            | <b>4 386.9</b>    |
| <b>COWS AND HEIFERS</b>           |                         |                  |                    |                         |                           |                  |                   |
| 2002-03                           | 968.9                   | 1 020.5          | 1 521.6            | 192.5                   | 255.9                     | 112.9            | <b>4 076.4</b>    |
| 2003-04                           | 822.2                   | 943.1            | 1 514.4            | 164.4                   | 262.5                     | 106.5            | <b>3 817.2</b>    |
| 2004-05                           | 774.6                   | 915.5            | 1 359.8            | 168.0                   | 281.8                     | 94.9             | <b>3 598.7</b>    |
| <b>CATTLE (excluding calves)</b>  |                         |                  |                    |                         |                           |                  |                   |
| 2002-03                           | 1 930.5                 | 1 650.4          | 3 515.2            | 359.1                   | 429.3                     | 192.8            | <b>8 082.7</b>    |
| 2003-04                           | 1 616.1                 | 1 556.6          | 3 564.2            | 342.9                   | 462.9                     | 204.7            | <b>7 752.9</b>    |
| 2004-05                           | 1 700.4                 | 1 515.7          | 3 690.5            | 359.1                   | 510.5                     | 204.1            | <b>7 985.6</b>    |
| <b>CALVES</b>                     |                         |                  |                    |                         |                           |                  |                   |
| 2002-03                           | 246.1                   | 749.3            | 92.1               | 11.0                    | 5.3                       | 41.2             | <b>1 145.8</b>    |
| 2003-04                           | 221.9                   | 659.2            | 84.7               | 7.2                     | 4.7                       | 47.3             | <b>1 025.8</b>    |
| 2004-05                           | 201.2                   | 539.0            | 73.3               | 5.3                     | 4.3                       | 44.1             | <b>867.9</b>      |
| <b>SHEEP</b>                      |                         |                  |                    |                         |                           |                  |                   |
| 2002-03                           | 5 282.2                 | 3 641.2          | 1 142.0            | 1 431.8                 | 1 771.8                   | 388.3            | <b>13 657.3</b>   |
| 2003-04                           | 3 310.0                 | 3 078.9          | 892.8              | 947.5                   | 1 845.4                   | 346.3            | <b>10 420.7</b>   |
| 2004-05                           | 3 548.4                 | 3 465.4          | 918.9              | 979.1                   | 2 205.2                   | 325.6            | <b>11 442.6</b>   |
| <b>LAMBS</b>                      |                         |                  |                    |                         |                           |                  |                   |
| 2002-03                           | 4 388.8                 | 6 904.8          | 340.3              | 2 841.1                 | 2 021.0                   | 374.0            | <b>16 869.8</b>   |
| 2003-04                           | 4 047.4                 | 6 471.4          | 261.5              | 2 970.6                 | 2 391.8                   | 419.2            | <b>16 561.8</b>   |
| 2004-05                           | 4 110.4                 | 6 787.1          | 287.2              | 3 236.2                 | 2 466.7                   | 442.9            | <b>17 330.6</b>   |
| <b>PIGS</b>                       |                         |                  |                    |                         |                           |                  |                   |
| 2002-03                           | 1 860.6                 | 1 033.2          | 1 234.8            | 884.1                   | 672.3                     | 47.7             | <b>5 741.7</b>    |
| 2003-04                           | 1 751.1                 | 973.1            | 1 318.1            | 820.9                   | 674.4                     | 44.2             | <b>5 591.2</b>    |
| 2004-05                           | 1 614.6                 | 847.3            | 1 285.4            | 894.8                   | 643.7                     | 45.6             | <b>5 339.2</b>    |
| <b>CHICKENS</b>                   |                         |                  |                    |                         |                           |                  |                   |
| 2002-03                           | 149 917.0               | 117 892.0        | 75 149.3           | np                      | np                        | np               | <b>419 181.0</b>  |
| 2003-04                           | 149 358.7               | 120 345.9        | 77 472.0           | np                      | np                        | np               | <b>423 742.0</b>  |
| 2004-05                           | 147 973.2               | 124 726.5        | 84 086.2           | np                      | np                        | np               | <b>437 640.9</b>  |

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## RED MEAT PRODUCED(a), Beef: All Series

| Quarter             | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Australia      |
|---------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|----------------|
|                     | tonnes          | tonnes   | tonnes     | tonnes          | tonnes            | tonnes   | tonnes         |
| ORIGINAL            |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| <b>2004</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| September           | 112 602         | 87 845   | 290 620    | 17 620          | 30 219            | 12 550   | <b>551 747</b> |
| December            | 106 301         | 93 276   | 246 510    | 25 797          | 32 317            | 14 138   | <b>518 616</b> |
| <b>2005</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| March               | 105 848         | 88 486   | 222 552    | 25 085          | 32 581            | 15 528   | <b>490 359</b> |
| June                | 115 970         | 93 618   | 286 728    | 24 547          | 36 289            | 14 643   | <b>572 088</b> |
| September           | 92 934          | 74 588   | 283 425    | 15 005          | 26 452            | 12 029   | <b>504 729</b> |
| December            | 100 107         | 86 952   | 241 303    | 23 195          | 30 467            | 13 037   | <b>495 343</b> |
| SEASONALLY ADJUSTED |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| <b>2004</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| September           | 115 380         | 94 101   | 254 780    | 21 764          | 31 985            | 15 501   | <b>543 637</b> |
| December            | 106 105         | 90 797   | 255 247    | 23 501          | 29 328            | 14 556   | <b>518 816</b> |
| <b>2005</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| March               | 108 769         | 86 837   | 266 247    | 23 053          | 31 296            | 13 495   | <b>532 763</b> |
| June                | 110 492         | 91 689   | 267 943    | 24 334          | 39 791            | 13 723   | <b>535 429</b> |
| September           | 95 184          | 79 963   | 251 847    | 18 741          | 27 930            | 14 807   | <b>497 531</b> |
| December            | 99 793          | 84 779   | 248 174    | 20 965          | 27 772            | 13 451   | <b>495 567</b> |
| TREND               |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| <b>2004</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| September           | 104 063         | 93 814   | 253 048    | 22 107          | 30 488            | 15 004   | <b>526 101</b> |
| December            | 107 674         | 91 413   | 259 145    | 23 163          | 31 438            | 14 485   | <b>532 081</b> |
| <b>2005</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| March               | 108 550         | 89 046   | 264 137    | 23 442          | 33 277            | 14 002   | <b>531 752</b> |
| June                | 105 559         | 86 805   | 262 433    | 22 437          | 33 534            | 13 921   | <b>522 174</b> |
| September           | 101 318         | 84 673   | 256 292    | 21 052          | 31 514            | 14 033   | <b>509 304</b> |
| December            | 97 612          | 83 212   | 248 527    | 20 132          | 28 389            | 14 032   | <b>494 900</b> |

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| Quarter             | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Australia     |
|---------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|---------------|
|                     | tonnes          | tonnes   | tonnes     | tonnes          | tonnes            | tonnes   | tonnes        |
| ORIGINAL            |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |               |
| <b>2004</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |               |
| September           | 3 252           | 6 293    | 949        | 50              | 63                | 627      | <b>11 246</b> |
| December            | 2 968           | 1 857    | 736        | 38              | 74                | 164      | <b>5 851</b>  |
| <b>2005</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |               |
| March               | 3 131           | 742      | 797        | 39              | 51                | 25       | <b>4 798</b>  |
| June                | 3 589           | 2 501    | 970        | 49              | 61                | 70       | <b>7 253</b>  |
| September           | 3 243           | 5 276    | 802        | 42              | 79                | 570      | <b>10 024</b> |
| December            | 3 145           | 1 555    | 720        | 33              | 65                | 150      | <b>5 679</b>  |
| SEASONALLY ADJUSTED |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |               |
| <b>2004</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |               |
| September           | 3 374           | 2 888    | 933        | 46              | 54                | 217      | <b>7 659</b>  |
| December            | 3 266           | 2 976    | 824        | 46              | 77                | 234      | <b>7 534</b>  |
| <b>2005</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |               |
| March               | 2 977           | 2 996    | 778        | 41              | 58                | 207      | <b>6 324</b>  |
| June                | 3 343           | 2 615    | 910        | 43              | 61                | 237      | <b>7 223</b>  |
| September           | 3 366           | 2 435    | 790        | 40              | 68                | 198      | <b>6 857</b>  |
| December            | 3 437           | 2 462    | 802        | 39              | 68                | 209      | <b>7 262</b>  |
| TREND               |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |               |
| <b>2004</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |               |
| September           | 3 274           | 3 023    | 883        | 49              | 63                | 224      | <b>7 656</b>  |
| December            | 3 202           | 2 964    | 846        | 45              | 64                | 218      | <b>7 197</b>  |
| <b>2005</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |               |
| March               | 3 170           | 2 857    | 829        | 42              | 64                | 223      | <b>6 903</b>  |
| June                | 3 239           | 2 684    | 831        | 41              | 64                | 218      | <b>6 868</b>  |
| September           | 3 359           | 2 504    | 826        | 40              | 65                | 212      | <b>7 013</b>  |
| December            | 3 469           | 2 406    | 809        | 40              | 69                | 207      | <b>7 229</b>  |

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## RED MEAT PRODUCED(a), Mutton: All Series

| Quarter             | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Australia     |
|---------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|---------------|
|                     | tonnes          | tonnes   | tonnes     | tonnes          | tonnes            | tonnes   | tonnes        |
| ORIGINAL            |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |               |
| <b>2004</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |               |
| September           | 15 267          | 12 855   | 4 650      | 4 977           | 9 617             | 873      | <b>48 240</b> |
| December            | 21 718          | 18 397   | 4 953      | 6 292           | 12 066            | 1 922    | <b>65 349</b> |
| <b>2005</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |               |
| March               | 20 571          | 18 408   | 4 607      | 6 536           | 12 880            | 1 893    | <b>64 894</b> |
| June                | 19 961          | 18 367   | 4 689      | 4 915           | 9 279             | 1 662    | <b>58 873</b> |
| September           | 14 723          | 15 022   | 4 310      | 4 845           | 9 515             | 907      | <b>49 322</b> |
| December            | 21 115          | 20 118   | 5 048      | 7 671           | 12 845            | 1 235    | <b>68 032</b> |
| SEASONALLY ADJUSTED |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |               |
| <b>2004</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |               |
| September           | 17 031          | 15 626   | 4 783      | 5 699           | 11 147            | 1 377    | <b>56 858</b> |
| December            | 19 460          | 15 915   | 4 732      | 5 184           | 10 502            | 1 830    | <b>57 021</b> |
| <b>2005</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |               |
| March               | 19 876          | 16 046   | 4 659      | 5 849           | 10 608            | 1 526    | <b>58 266</b> |
| June                | 20 841          | 20 957   | 4 741      | 6 184           | 11 914            | 1 569    | <b>65 876</b> |
| September           | 16 599          | 18 345   | 4 426      | 5 554           | 11 140            | 1 429    | <b>58 478</b> |
| December            | 18 825          | 17 383   | 4 798      | 6 292           | 11 124            | 1 172    | <b>59 104</b> |
| TREND               |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |               |
| <b>2004</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |               |
| September           | 19 096          | 15 909   | 4 672      | 5 658           | 11 046            | 1 466    | <b>58 034</b> |
| December            | 19 162          | 16 107   | 4 722      | 5 586           | 10 858            | 1 598    | <b>57 958</b> |
| <b>2005</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |               |
| March               | 19 665          | 17 422   | 4 699      | 5 680           | 10 939            | 1 647    | <b>59 841</b> |
| June                | 19 450          | 18 649   | 4 632      | 5 875           | 11 252            | 1 534    | <b>61 340</b> |
| September           | 18 547          | 18 810   | 4 624      | 5 985           | 11 360            | 1 383    | <b>60 884</b> |
| December            | 17 882          | 18 266   | 4 657      | 6 039           | 11 264            | 1 275    | <b>59 488</b> |

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| Quarter             | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Australia      |
|---------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|----------------|
|                     | tonnes          | tonnes   | tonnes     | tonnes          | tonnes            | tonnes   | tonnes         |
| ORIGINAL            |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| <b>2004</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| September           | 17 400          | 27 334   | 1 426      | 11 403          | 11 183            | 2 011    | <b>70 757</b>  |
| December            | 20 812          | 36 524   | 1 420      | 18 060          | 12 380            | 1 972    | <b>91 169</b>  |
| <b>2005</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| March               | 21 422          | 34 866   | 1 193      | 20 252          | 11 693            | 2 091    | <b>91 516</b>  |
| June                | 22 916          | 37 224   | 1 525      | 22 441          | 13 866            | 2 876    | <b>100 849</b> |
| September           | 19 616          | 34 928   | 1 374      | 14 877          | 14 544            | 2 848    | <b>88 187</b>  |
| December            | 20 621          | 38 184   | 1 257      | 17 409          | 14 364            | 2 402    | <b>94 237</b>  |
| SEASONALLY ADJUSTED |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| <b>2004</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| September           | 17 850          | 28 538   | 1 297      | 15 008          | 12 012            | 1 935    | <b>76 875</b>  |
| December            | 20 872          | 34 441   | 1 530      | 17 779          | 11 681            | 2 131    | <b>88 335</b>  |
| <b>2005</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| March               | 21 177          | 35 994   | 1 353      | 18 234          | 11 919            | 2 238    | <b>90 862</b>  |
| June                | 22 532          | 36 641   | 1 393      | 20 124          | 13 503            | 2 600    | <b>96 836</b>  |
| September           | 20 170          | 36 597   | 1 255      | 19 625          | 15 548            | 2 743    | <b>95 866</b>  |
| December            | 20 640          | 35 968   | 1 351      | 17 168          | 13 632            | 2 599    | <b>91 451</b>  |
| TREND               |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| <b>2004</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| September           | 20 352          | 33 593   | 1 316      | 16 101          | 12 097            | 2 051    | <b>84 430</b>  |
| December            | 20 837          | 34 518   | 1 344      | 17 055          | 11 791            | 2 098    | <b>86 879</b>  |
| <b>2005</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| March               | 21 462          | 35 750   | 1 355      | 18 726          | 12 374            | 2 307    | <b>91 806</b>  |
| June                | 21 451          | 36 443   | 1 345      | 19 446          | 13 547            | 2 533    | <b>94 897</b>  |
| September           | 21 026          | 36 502   | 1 325      | 19 076          | 14 365            | 2 659    | <b>94 957</b>  |
| December            | 20 560          | 36 284   | 1 314      | 18 323          | 14 592            | 2 698    | <b>93 803</b>  |

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| Quarter             | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Australia      |
|---------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|----------------|
|                     | tonnes          | tonnes   | tonnes     | tonnes          | tonnes            | tonnes   | tonnes         |
| ORIGINAL            |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| <b>2004</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| September           | 30 504          | 17 557   | 24 936     | 14 135          | 11 533            | 643      | <b>99 416</b>  |
| December            | 28 477          | 15 230   | 23 337     | 16 112          | 10 220            | 719      | <b>94 180</b>  |
| <b>2005</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| March               | 28 168          | 14 688   | 23 049     | 15 773          | 10 614            | 561      | <b>92 929</b>  |
| June                | 31 935          | 15 265   | 25 042     | 17 504          | 11 105            | 615      | <b>101 546</b> |
| September           | 31 385          | 13 653   | 23 392     | 19 178          | 10 320            | 600      | <b>98 609</b>  |
| December            | 29 278          | 13 699   | 22 107     | 18 805          | 9 433             | 628      | <b>94 022</b>  |
| SEASONALLY ADJUSTED |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| <b>2004</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| September           | 30 085          | 17 128   | 24 154     | 14 202          | 11 279            | 616      | <b>97 190</b>  |
| December            | 29 501          | 15 548   | 24 010     | 17 458          | 10 913            | 661      | <b>97 918</b>  |
| <b>2005</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| March               | 29 664          | 15 361   | 24 483     | 15 888          | 10 801            | 611      | <b>96 740</b>  |
| June                | 29 985          | 14 609   | 23 725     | 16 063          | 10 493            | 633      | <b>96 289</b>  |
| September           | 30 979          | 13 566   | 22 830     | 19 262          | 10 093            | 594      | <b>97 586</b>  |
| December            | 30 168          | 13 783   | 22 848     | 20 353          | 10 076            | 567      | <b>96 620</b>  |
| TREND               |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| <b>2004</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| September           | 30 075          | 16 833   | 24 222     | 14 502          | 11 148            | 621      | <b>98 024</b>  |
| December            | 29 616          | 16 011   | 24 244     | 15 011          | 10 990            | 632      | <b>97 218</b>  |
| <b>2005</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| March               | 29 708          | 15 160   | 24 100     | 15 738          | 10 753            | 636      | <b>96 885</b>  |
| June                | 30 126          | 14 493   | 23 685     | 17 003          | 10 461            | 617      | <b>96 843</b>  |
| September           | 30 445          | 13 955   | 23 145     | 18 606          | 10 211            | 595      | <b>96 862</b>  |
| December            | 30 572          | 13 481   | 22 702     | 20 119          | 10 006            | 579      | <b>96 985</b>  |

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## TOTAL RED MEAT PRODUCED(a): All Series

| Quarter             | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Australia      |
|---------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|----------------|
|                     | tonnes          | tonnes   | tonnes     | tonnes          | tonnes            | tonnes   | tonnes         |
| ORIGINAL            |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| <b>2004</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| September           | 179 025         | 151 884  | 322 582    | 48 184          | 62 615            | 16 704   | <b>781 405</b> |
| December            | 180 276         | 165 284  | 276 956    | 66 300          | 67 058            | 18 916   | <b>775 163</b> |
| <b>2005</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| March               | 179 140         | 157 189  | 252 197    | 67 686          | 67 819            | 20 097   | <b>744 496</b> |
| June                | 194 371         | 166 975  | 318 954    | 69 457          | 70 600            | 19 866   | <b>840 608</b> |
| September           | 161 901         | 143 467  | 313 302    | 53 948          | 60 909            | 16 954   | <b>750 870</b> |
| December            | 174 267         | 160 507  | 270 434    | 67 113          | 67 173            | 17 453   | <b>757 313</b> |
| SEASONALLY ADJUSTED |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| <b>2004</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| September           | 183 720         | 158 281  | 285 947    | 56 719          | 66 477            | 19 646   | <b>782 219</b> |
| December            | 179 204         | 159 677  | 286 343    | 63 968          | 62 501            | 19 412   | <b>769 624</b> |
| <b>2005</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| March               | 182 463         | 157 234  | 297 520    | 63 065          | 64 682            | 18 077   | <b>784 955</b> |
| June                | 187 193         | 166 511  | 298 712    | 66 748          | 75 762            | 18 762   | <b>801 653</b> |
| September           | 166 298         | 150 906  | 281 148    | 63 222          | 64 779            | 19 771   | <b>756 318</b> |
| December            | 172 863         | 154 375  | 277 973    | 64 817          | 62 672            | 17 998   | <b>750 004</b> |
| TREND               |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| <b>2004</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| September           | 176 860         | 163 172  | 284 141    | 58 417          | 64 842            | 19 366   | <b>774 245</b> |
| December            | 180 491         | 161 013  | 290 301    | 60 860          | 65 141            | 19 031   | <b>781 333</b> |
| <b>2005</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |
| March               | 182 555         | 160 235  | 295 120    | 63 628          | 67 407            | 18 815   | <b>787 187</b> |
| June                | 179 825         | 159 074  | 292 926    | 64 802          | 68 858            | 18 823   | <b>782 122</b> |
| September           | 174 695         | 156 444  | 286 212    | 64 759          | 67 515            | 18 882   | <b>769 020</b> |
| December            | 170 095         | 153 649  | 278 009    | 64 653          | 64 320            | 18 791   | <b>752 405</b> |

(a) For more information refer to paragraphs 4 to 7 of the Explanatory Notes.

## CHICKEN MEAT PRODUCED(a): All Series

| Quarter             | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Australia      |
|---------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------------|
|                     | tonnes          | tonnes   | tonnes     | tonnes          | tonnes            | tonnes         |
| ORIGINAL            |                 |          |            |                 |                   |                |
| <b>2004</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |                |
| September           | 64 322          | 50 354   | 30 849     | np              | np                | <b>179 282</b> |
| December            | 69 342          | 56 172   | 34 816     | np              | np                | <b>195 330</b> |
| <b>2005</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |                |
| March               | 59 514          | 54 924   | 31 001     | np              | np                | <b>178 055</b> |
| June                | 72 537          | 58 058   | 32 002     | np              | np                | <b>197 362</b> |
| September           | 68 926          | 50 901   | 36 896     | np              | np                | <b>188 782</b> |
| December            | 68 920          | 54 125   | 34 239     | np              | np                | <b>190 998</b> |
| SEASONALLY ADJUSTED |                 |          |            |                 |                   |                |
| <b>2004</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |                |
| September           | 64 422          | 51 995   | 30 956     | np              | np                | <b>181 234</b> |
| December            | 67 851          | 54 273   | 32 725     | np              | np                | <b>189 143</b> |
| <b>2005</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |                |
| March               | 61 071          | 54 846   | 32 157     | np              | np                | <b>180 963</b> |
| June                | 73 210          | 58 257   | 32 909     | np              | np                | <b>199 466</b> |
| September           | 67 923          | 53 273   | 36 511     | np              | np                | <b>189 805</b> |
| December            | 67 897          | 52 364   | 32 576     | np              | np                | <b>186 178</b> |
| TREND               |                 |          |            |                 |                   |                |
| <b>2004</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |                |
| September           | 64 315          | 51 831   | 31 276     | np              | np                | <b>181 237</b> |
| December            | 65 420          | 54 087   | 31 892     | np              | np                | <b>185 350</b> |
| <b>2005</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |                |
| March               | 66 679          | 55 855   | 32 810     | np              | np                | <b>189 231</b> |
| June                | 68 178          | 55 807   | 33 715     | np              | np                | <b>191 313</b> |
| September           | 69 033          | 54 532   | 34 243     | np              | np                | <b>191 080</b> |
| December            | 69 345          | 52 828   | 34 326     | np              | np                | <b>189 501</b> |

np not available for publication but included in totals where applicable, unless otherwise indicated

(a) For more information refer to paragraphs 8 and 9 of the Explanatory Notes.

## MEAT PRODUCED(a): Original

| <i>Financial year</i> | <i>New South Wales</i><br>tonnes | <i>Victoria</i><br>tonnes | <i>Queensland</i><br>tonnes | <i>South Australia</i><br>tonnes | <i>Western Australia</i><br>tonnes | <i>Tasmania</i><br>tonnes | <i>Australia</i><br>tonnes |
|-----------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| BEEF                  |                                  |                           |                             |                                  |                                    |                           |                            |
| 2002-03               | 471 498                          | 370 223                   | 946 950                     | 88 362                           | 105 074                            | 51 376                    | <b>2 034 613</b>           |
| 2003-04               | 401 926                          | 361 323                   | 974 715                     | 86 755                           | 116 555                            | 55 454                    | <b>1 997 848</b>           |
| 2004-05               | 440 720                          | 363 226                   | 1 046 410                   | 93 049                           | 131 407                            | 56 859                    | <b>2 132 810</b>           |
| VEAL                  |                                  |                           |                             |                                  |                                    |                           |                            |
| 2002-03               | 16 493                           | 16 007                    | 4 202                       | 341                              | 300                                | 826                       | <b>38 220</b>              |
| 2003-04               | 14 277                           | 15 076                    | 4 253                       | 234                              | 258                                | 947                       | <b>35 093</b>              |
| 2004-05               | 12 941                           | 11 393                    | 3 451                       | 176                              | 250                                | 886                       | <b>29 147</b>              |
| MUTTON                |                                  |                           |                             |                                  |                                    |                           |                            |
| 2002-03               | 106 106                          | 67 552                    | 20 741                      | 30 893                           | 35 431                             | 7 495                     | <b>268 218</b>             |
| 2003-04               | 73 335                           | 60 055                    | 19 021                      | 23 369                           | 37 094                             | 6 839                     | <b>219 713</b>             |
| 2004-05               | 77 517                           | 68 026                    | 18 899                      | 22 721                           | 43 842                             | 6 351                     | <b>237 356</b>             |
| LAMB                  |                                  |                           |                             |                                  |                                    |                           |                            |
| 2002-03               | 85 304                           | 130 699                   | 6 284                       | 60 114                           | 39 568                             | 7 439                     | <b>329 407</b>             |
| 2003-04               | 82 149                           | 130 772                   | 5 127                       | 67 753                           | 47 212                             | 8 436                     | <b>341 448</b>             |
| 2004-05               | 82 550                           | 135 948                   | 5 564                       | 72 157                           | 49 122                             | 8 950                     | <b>354 290</b>             |
| PIG MEAT              |                                  |                           |                             |                                  |                                    |                           |                            |
| 2002-03               | 140 247                          | 72 105                    | 94 434                      | 64 147                           | 45 490                             | 2 715                     | <b>419 555</b>             |
| 2003-04               | 129 800                          | 70 289                    | 99 774                      | 57 960                           | 45 190                             | 2 457                     | <b>405 898</b>             |
| 2004-05               | 119 085                          | 62 740                    | 96 365                      | 63 525                           | 43 471                             | 2 538                     | <b>388 070</b>             |
| TOTAL RED MEAT        |                                  |                           |                             |                                  |                                    |                           |                            |
| 2002-03               | 819 648                          | 656 586                   | 1 072 611                   | 243 857                          | 225 863                            | 69 851                    | <b>3 090 013</b>           |
| 2003-04               | 701 486                          | 637 515                   | 1 102 890                   | 236 071                          | 246 309                            | 74 134                    | <b>3 000 002</b>           |
| 2004-05               | 732 812                          | 641 332                   | 1 170 689                   | 251 627                          | 268 092                            | 75 584                    | <b>3 141 673</b>           |
| CHICKEN MEAT          |                                  |                           |                             |                                  |                                    |                           |                            |
| 2002-03               | 256 445                          | 204 440                   | 114 327                     | np                               | np                                 | np                        | <b>689 826</b>             |
| 2003-04               | 247 755                          | 205 348                   | 117 889                     | np                               | np                                 | np                        | <b>693 602</b>             |
| 2004-05               | 265 716                          | 219 508                   | 128 669                     | np                               | np                                 | np                        | <b>750 029</b>             |

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(a) For more information refer to paragraphs 4 to 9 in the Explanatory Notes.

## EXPORTS OF FRESH, FROZEN AND PROCESSED MEAT, Australia(a): Original

| Period         | FRESH, CHILLED OR FROZEN MEAT |                      |                     |                      |                       |                        |                     |                      |             | PROCESSED MEAT       |                    |
|----------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|-------------|----------------------|--------------------|
|                | <i>Beef bone-in</i>           | <i>Beef bone-out</i> | <i>Veal bone-in</i> | <i>Veal bone-out</i> | <i>Mutton bone-in</i> | <i>Mutton bone-out</i> | <i>Lamb bone-in</i> | <i>Lamb bone-out</i> | <i>Pork</i> | <i>Bacon and ham</i> | <i>Canned meat</i> |
|                | tonnes                        | tonnes               | tonnes              | tonnes               | tonnes                | tonnes                 | tonnes              | tonnes               | tonnes      | tonnes               | tonnes             |
| <b>2002-03</b> | 37 467                        | 894 430              | 3 675               | 6 458                | 109 345               | 52 275                 | 87 907              | 14 082               | 62 927      | 351                  | 17 048             |
| <b>2003-04</b> | 32 069                        | 852 412              | 2 893               | 6 262                | 86 539                | 42 722                 | 100 537             | 18 326               | 50 667      | 558                  | 24 705             |
| <b>2004-05</b> | 44 636                        | 959 391              | 3 320               | 5 775                | 101 740               | 41 790                 | 106 518             | 21 699               | 43 495      | 449                  | 22 835             |
| <b>2004</b>    |                               |                      |                     |                      |                       |                        |                     |                      |             |                      |                    |
| September      | 7 208                         | 245 649              | 767                 | 2 286                | 17 892                | 9 203                  | 18 130              | 3 866                | 11 842      | 114                  | 5 783              |
| December       | 12 022                        | 252 729              | 792                 | 1 357                | 27 898                | 11 686                 | 29 707              | 5 072                | 10 741      | 136                  | 6 293              |
| <b>2005</b>    |                               |                      |                     |                      |                       |                        |                     |                      |             |                      |                    |
| March          | 12 372                        | 200 576              | 618                 | 830                  | 29 372                | 9 645                  | 26 923              | 5 348                | 10 036      | 72                   | 4 985              |
| June           | 13 035                        | 260 437              | 1 144               | 1 302                | 26 578                | 11 257                 | 31 758              | 7 413                | 10 876      | 127                  | 5 774              |
| September      | 14 627                        | 227 461              | 1 029               | 2 110                | 18 666                | 7 986                  | 27 520              | 6 319                | 10 528      | 105                  | 5 734              |
| December       | 13 805                        | 230 113              | 825                 | 1 514                | 32 123                | 13 047                 | 32 961              | 6 349                | 10 121      | 90                   | 5 506              |

(a) For more information refer to paragraphs 10 and 11 of the Explanatory Notes.

## EXPORTS OF LIVE SHEEP AND CATTLE, Australia(a): Original

| Period         | Number  | Gross weight | Gross value | Unit value |
|----------------|---------|--------------|-------------|------------|
|                | '000    | '000 tonnes  | \$'000      | \$         |
| .....          |         |              |             |            |
| SHEEP          |         |              |             |            |
| <b>2002-03</b> | 5 843.2 | 273.0        | 408 235     | 69.87      |
| <b>2003-04</b> | 3 842.7 | 188.2        | 266 457     | 69.34      |
| <b>2004-05</b> | 3 233.2 | 166.1        | 206 678     | 63.92      |
| <b>2004</b>    |         |              |             |            |
| September      | 849.4   | 48.5         | 58 088      | 68.38      |
| December       | 839.8   | 42.2         | 53 946      | 64.24      |
| <b>2005</b>    |         |              |             |            |
| March          | 904.6   | 44.3         | 55 415      | 61.26      |
| June           | 639.4   | 31.1         | 39 228      | 61.35      |
| September      | 1 173.7 | 60.0         | 82 397      | 70.20      |
| December       | 1 465.9 | 72.1         | 101 410     | 69.18      |
| .....          |         |              |             |            |
| CATTLE         |         |              |             |            |
| <b>2002-03</b> | 976.6   | 362.5        | 569 288     | 582.95     |
| <b>2003-04</b> | 581.5   | 192.0        | 317 850     | 546.65     |
| <b>2004-05</b> | 573.7   | 191.7        | 374 060     | 652.01     |
| <b>2004</b>    |         |              |             |            |
| September      | 171.9   | 57.3         | 111 885     | 650.69     |
| December       | 131.0   | 45.3         | 95 115      | 725.95     |
| <b>2005</b>    |         |              |             |            |
| March          | 120.2   | 40.6         | 77 020      | 640.98     |
| June           | 150.6   | 48.5         | 90 040      | 597.97     |
| September      | 157.6   | 55.7         | 96 100      | 609.81     |
| December       | 102.8   | 33.4         | 73 944      | 719.55     |

(a) For more information refer to paragraph 12 of the Explanatory Notes.

## WHOLE MILK INTAKE, By Factories(a)(b): All Series

|                     | <i>New South Wales</i> | <i>Victoria</i> | <i>Queensland</i> | <i>South Australia</i> | <i>Western Australia</i> | <i>Tasmania</i> | <b><i>Australia</i></b> |
|---------------------|------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|
| <i>Quarter</i>      | ML                     | ML              | ML                | ML                     | ML                       | ML              | ML                      |
| ORIGINAL            |                        |                 |                   |                        |                          |                 |                         |
| <b>2004</b>         |                        |                 |                   |                        |                          |                 |                         |
| June                | 274                    | 1 070           | 147               | 156                    | 91                       | 95              | <b>1 832</b>            |
| September           | 307                    | 1 535           | 167               | 160                    | 102                      | 98              | <b>2 369</b>            |
| December            | 347                    | 2 314           | 166               | 204                    | 110                      | 240             | <b>3 380</b>            |
| <b>2005</b>         |                        |                 |                   |                        |                          |                 |                         |
| March               | 289                    | 1 617           | 145               | 165                    | 88                       | 162             | <b>2 466</b>            |
| June                | 274                    | 1 147           | 142               | 149                    | 96                       | 101             | <b>1 909</b>            |
| September           | 309                    | 1 556           | 168               | 149                    | 103                      | 103             | <b>2 387</b>            |
| SEASONALLY ADJUSTED |                        |                 |                   |                        |                          |                 |                         |
| <b>2004</b>         |                        |                 |                   |                        |                          |                 |                         |
| June                | 306                    | 1 649           | 159               | 174                    | 95                       | 149             | <b>2 532</b>            |
| September           | 302                    | 1 628           | 158               | 170                    | 97                       | 149             | <b>2 504</b>            |
| December            | 304                    | 1 580           | 156               | 170                    | 102                      | 150             | <b>2 462</b>            |
| <b>2005</b>         |                        |                 |                   |                        |                          |                 |                         |
| March               | 306                    | 1 708           | 152               | 168                    | 96                       | 148             | <b>2 578</b>            |
| June                | 307                    | 1 763           | 153               | 170                    | 100                      | 157             | <b>2 650</b>            |
| September           | 302                    | 1 645           | 157               | 158                    | 99                       | 157             | <b>2 518</b>            |
| TREND               |                        |                 |                   |                        |                          |                 |                         |
| <b>2004</b>         |                        |                 |                   |                        |                          |                 |                         |
| June                | 307                    | 1 626           | 161               | 174                    | 98                       | 150             | <b>2 516</b>            |
| September           | 303                    | 1 617           | 157               | 171                    | 97                       | 149             | <b>2 494</b>            |
| December            | 304                    | 1 641           | 155               | 170                    | 99                       | 149             | <b>2 518</b>            |
| <b>2005</b>         |                        |                 |                   |                        |                          |                 |                         |
| March               | 305                    | 1 682           | 154               | 169                    | 99                       | 151             | <b>2 560</b>            |
| June                | 305                    | 1 708           | 154               | 166                    | 99                       | 154             | <b>2 586</b>            |
| September           | 304                    | 1 707           | 156               | 162                    | 99                       | 157             | <b>2 585</b>            |

(a) For more information refer to paragraph 13 of the Explanatory Notes.

(b) Data for Australian Capital Territory are included in New South Wales; data for Northern Territory are included in South Australia.

Source: Original series data from Dairy Australia.

## MARKET MILK SALES, By Factories(a)(b): All Series

|                     | <i>New South Wales</i> | <i>Victoria</i> | <i>Queensland</i> | <i>South Australia</i> | <i>Western Australia</i> | <i>Tasmania</i> | <b><i>Australia</i></b> |
|---------------------|------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|
| <i>Quarter</i>      | ML                     | ML              | ML                | ML                     | ML                       | ML              | ML                      |
| ORIGINAL            |                        |                 |                   |                        |                          |                 |                         |
| <b>2004</b>         |                        |                 |                   |                        |                          |                 |                         |
| June                | 158                    | 120             | 103               | 49                     | 50                       | 13              | <b>493</b>              |
| September           | 160                    | 122             | 108               | 51                     | 54                       | 13              | <b>508</b>              |
| December            | 158                    | 123             | 107               | 50                     | 55                       | 14              | <b>506</b>              |
| <b>2005</b>         |                        |                 |                   |                        |                          |                 |                         |
| March               | 159                    | 118             | 106               | 48                     | 52                       | 13              | <b>497</b>              |
| June                | 164                    | 121             | 109               | 49                     | 54                       | 13              | <b>511</b>              |
| September           | 167                    | 123             | 112               | 50                     | 56                       | 14              | <b>520</b>              |
| SEASONALLY ADJUSTED |                        |                 |                   |                        |                          |                 |                         |
| <b>2004</b>         |                        |                 |                   |                        |                          |                 |                         |
| June                | 157                    | 121             | 103               | 49                     | 50                       | 13              | <b>493</b>              |
| September           | 158                    | 120             | 105               | 49                     | 52                       | 13              | <b>499</b>              |
| December            | 159                    | 123             | 107               | 51                     | 55                       | 13              | <b>507</b>              |
| <b>2005</b>         |                        |                 |                   |                        |                          |                 |                         |
| March               | 161                    | 122             | 108               | 49                     | 54                       | 13              | <b>508</b>              |
| June                | 163                    | 120             | 109               | 49                     | 54                       | 13              | <b>509</b>              |
| September           | 164                    | 120             | 109               | 49                     | 55                       | 13              | <b>510</b>              |
| TREND               |                        |                 |                   |                        |                          |                 |                         |
| <b>2004</b>         |                        |                 |                   |                        |                          |                 |                         |
| June                | 157                    | 120             | 104               | 49                     | 52                       | 13              | <b>495</b>              |
| September           | 158                    | 121             | 105               | 50                     | 52                       | 13              | <b>500</b>              |
| December            | 159                    | 122             | 107               | 50                     | 53                       | 13              | <b>504</b>              |
| <b>2005</b>         |                        |                 |                   |                        |                          |                 |                         |
| March               | 161                    | 122             | 108               | 50                     | 54                       | 13              | <b>508</b>              |
| June                | 163                    | 121             | 109               | 49                     | 54                       | 13              | <b>509</b>              |
| September           | 164                    | 120             | 109               | 49                     | 54                       | 13              | <b>510</b>              |

(a) For more information refer to paragraph 13 of the Explanatory Notes.

(b) Data for Australian Capital Territory are included in New South Wales; data for Northern Territory are included in South Australia.

Source: Original series data from Dairy Australia.

## BROKERS AND DEALERS RECEIVALS OF TAXABLE WOOL(a): All Series

| Quarter             | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Australia      | % of total received by brokers |
|---------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|----------------|--------------------------------|
|                     | tonnes          | tonnes   | tonnes     | tonnes          | tonnes            | tonnes   | tonnes         | %                              |
| ORIGINAL            |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |                                |
| <b>2004</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |                                |
| September           | 42 313          | 29 099   | 6 706      | 19 936          | 27 521            | 1 896    | <b>127 471</b> | 84.0                           |
| December            | 43 432          | 36 591   | 4 333      | 19 815          | 28 563            | 3 988    | <b>136 722</b> | 80.0                           |
| <b>2005</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |                                |
| March               | 32 051          | 28 550   | 3 462      | 14 438          | 32 900            | 2 251    | <b>113 652</b> | 81.2                           |
| June                | 31 397          | 26 120   | 5 716      | 13 327          | 18 070            | 2 747    | <b>97 376</b>  | 77.0                           |
| September           | 42 735          | 29 417   | 7 562      | 17 387          | 28 538            | 3 682    | <b>129 320</b> | 79.7                           |
| December            | 41 196          | 36 097   | 4 655      | 18 460          | 31 371            | 3 875    | <b>135 655</b> | 79.5                           |
| SEASONALLY ADJUSTED |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |                                |
| <b>2004</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |                                |
| September           | 35 029          | 28 572   | 4 948      | 16 903          | 27 041            | 1 918    | <b>114 412</b> | ..                             |
| December            | 38 265          | 27 836   | 5 431      | 15 867          | 25 806            | 2 956    | <b>116 161</b> | ..                             |
| <b>2005</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |                                |
| March               | 36 790          | 30 543   | 4 414      | 16 144          | 26 952            | 2 963    | <b>117 806</b> | ..                             |
| June                | 39 360          | 35 419   | 5 391      | 19 725          | 27 458            | 3 114    | <b>130 468</b> | ..                             |
| September           | 35 752          | 29 083   | 5 675      | 14 809          | 28 148            | 3 672    | <b>117 138</b> | ..                             |
| December            | 36 270          | 27 539   | 5 861      | 14 802          | 28 328            | 2 838    | <b>115 639</b> | ..                             |
| TREND               |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |                                |
| <b>2004</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |                                |
| September           | 37 095          | 29 435   | 4 622      | 16 478          | 27 342            | 2 791    | <b>117 763</b> | ..                             |
| December            | 37 174          | 29 312   | 4 866      | 16 483          | 26 592            | 2 677    | <b>117 103</b> | ..                             |
| <b>2005</b>         |                 |          |            |                 |                   |          |                |                                |
| March               | 37 740          | 31 019   | 5 081      | 17 109          | 26 615            | 2 934    | <b>120 498</b> | ..                             |
| June                | 37 692          | 31 927   | 5 216      | 17 123          | 27 431            | 3 261    | <b>122 650</b> | ..                             |
| September           | 36 900          | 30 657   | 5 576      | 16 281          | 28 038            | 3 262    | <b>120 713</b> | ..                             |
| December            | 36 281          | 28 564   | 5 932      | 15 157          | 28 327            | 3 185    | <b>117 447</b> | ..                             |

.. not applicable

(a) For more information refer to paragraphs 4, 14 and 15 of the Explanatory Notes.

| <i>Financial year</i>                                  | <i>New South Wales</i> | <i>Victoria</i> | <i>Queensland</i> | <i>South Australia</i> | <i>Western Australia</i> | <i>Tasmania</i> | <b><i>Australia</i></b> |
|--------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|
| .....                                                  |                        |                 |                   |                        |                          |                 |                         |
| WHOLE MILK INTAKE BY FACTORIES (b) (ML)                |                        |                 |                   |                        |                          |                 |                         |
| 2002-03                                                | 1 301                  | 6 585           | 720               | 733                    | 404                      | 585             | <b>10 328</b>           |
| 2003-04                                                | 1 271                  | 6 434           | 674               | 703                    | 403                      | 590             | <b>10 075</b>           |
| 2004-05                                                | 1 218                  | 6 613           | 619               | 679                    | 396                      | 600             | <b>10 125</b>           |
| .....                                                  |                        |                 |                   |                        |                          |                 |                         |
| MARKET MILK SALES BY FACTORIES (b) (ML)                |                        |                 |                   |                        |                          |                 |                         |
| 2002-03                                                | 616                    | 473             | 404               | 181                    | 200                      | 51              | <b>1 925</b>            |
| 2003-04                                                | 628                    | 484             | 411               | 196                    | 204                      | 52              | <b>1 976</b>            |
| 2004-05                                                | 641                    | 485             | 429               | 199                    | 215                      | 53              | <b>2 022</b>            |
| .....                                                  |                        |                 |                   |                        |                          |                 |                         |
| BROKERS AND DEALERS RECEIVALS OF TAXABLE WOOL (Tonnes) |                        |                 |                   |                        |                          |                 |                         |
| 2002-03                                                | 168 138                | 128 444         | 18 287            | 65 054                 | 108 739                  | 14 357          | <b>503 020</b>          |
| 2003-04                                                | 140 815                | 119 667         | 17 127            | 66 982                 | 109 853                  | 13 138          | <b>467 582</b>          |
| 2004-05                                                | 149 193                | 120 360         | 20 217            | 67 516                 | 107 054                  | 10 881          | <b>475 221</b>          |

(a) For more information refer to paragraphs 13 to 15 of the Explanatory Notes.

(b) Data for Australian Capital Territory are included in New South Wales; data for Northern Territory are included in South Australia.

Source: Original series milk data from Dairy Australia.

# WHAT IF...? REVISIONS TO TREND ESTIMATES

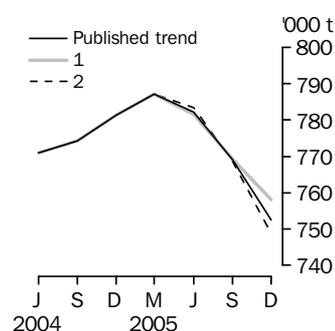
## EFFECT OF NEW SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATES ON TREND ESTIMATES

### TREND REVISIONS

Recent seasonally adjusted and trend estimates are likely to be revised when original estimates for subsequent quarters become available. The approximate effects of possible scenarios on trend estimates are presented below. These illustrate the impact on trend estimates if next quarter's seasonally adjusted estimate either rises or falls by a certain percentage (based on the historical average of movements in seasonally adjusted estimates).

For further information, see paragraphs 20 to 22 of the Explanatory Notes.

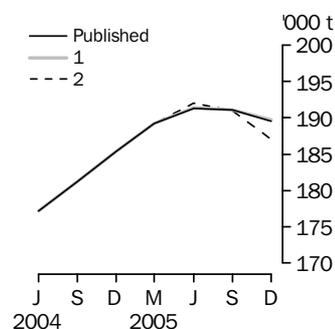
### RED MEAT PRODUCTION



#### WHAT IF NEXT QUARTER'S SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATE:

|              | <u>Trend as published</u> |          | <u>(1) rises by 2.2% on Dec Qtr 2005</u> |          | <u>(2) falls by 2.2% on Dec Qtr 2005</u> |          |
|--------------|---------------------------|----------|------------------------------------------|----------|------------------------------------------|----------|
|              | number                    | % change | number                                   | % change | number                                   | % change |
| Dec Qtr 2004 | 781 333                   | 0.9      | 781 333                                  | 0.9      | 781 333                                  | 0.9      |
| Mar Qtr 2005 | 787 187                   | 0.7      | 787 188                                  | 0.7      | 787 188                                  | 0.7      |
| Jun Qtr 2005 | 782 122                   | -0.6     | 781 487                                  | -0.7     | 783 425                                  | -0.5     |
| Sep Qtr 2005 | 769 020                   | -1.7     | 769 300                                  | -1.6     | 768 595                                  | -1.9     |
| Dec Qtr 2005 | 752 405                   | -2.2     | 758 153                                  | -1.4     | 748 809                                  | -2.6     |

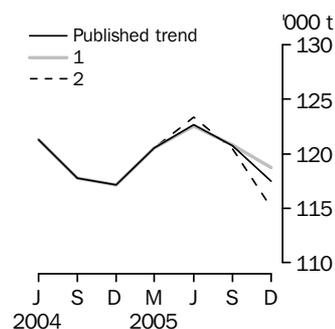
### CHICKEN MEAT PRODUCTION



#### WHAT IF NEXT QUARTER'S SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATE:

|              | <u>Trend as published</u> |          | <u>(1) rises by 2.6% on Dec Qtr 2005</u> |          | <u>(2) falls by 2.6% on Dec Qtr 2005</u> |          |
|--------------|---------------------------|----------|------------------------------------------|----------|------------------------------------------|----------|
|              | number                    | % change | number                                   | % change | number                                   | % change |
| Dec Qtr 2004 | 185 350                   | 2.3      | 185 356                                  | 2.3      | 185 356                                  | 2.3      |
| Mar Qtr 2005 | 189 231                   | 2.1      | 189 232                                  | 2.1      | 189 232                                  | 2.1      |
| Jun Qtr 2005 | 191 313                   | 1.1      | 191 374                                  | 1.1      | 191 943                                  | 1.4      |
| Sep Qtr 2005 | 191 080                   | -0.1     | 191 105                                  | -0.1     | 190 899                                  | -0.5     |
| Dec Qtr 2005 | 189 501                   | -0.8     | 189 716                                  | -0.7     | 186 975                                  | -2.1     |

### WOOL RECEIVALS

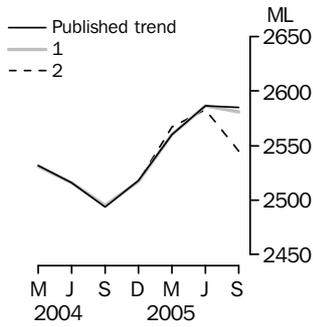


#### WHAT IF NEXT QUARTER'S SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATE:

|              | <u>Trend as published</u> |          | <u>(1) rises by 5.6% on Dec Qtr 2005</u> |          | <u>(2) falls by 5.6% on Dec Qtr 2005</u> |          |
|--------------|---------------------------|----------|------------------------------------------|----------|------------------------------------------|----------|
|              | number                    | % change | number                                   | % change | number                                   | % change |
| Dec Qtr 2004 | 117 103                   | -0.6     | 117 104                                  | -0.6     | 117 104                                  | -0.6     |
| Mar Qtr 2005 | 120 498                   | 2.9      | 120 498                                  | 2.9      | 120 498                                  | 2.9      |
| Jun Qtr 2005 | 122 650                   | 1.8      | 122 556                                  | 1.7      | 123 317                                  | 2.3      |
| Sep Qtr 2005 | 120 713                   | -1.6     | 120 791                                  | -1.4     | 120 479                                  | -2.3     |
| Dec Qtr 2005 | 117 447                   | -2.7     | 118 753                                  | -1.7     | 115 065                                  | -4.5     |

# WHAT IF...? REVISIONS TO TREND ESTIMATES *continued*

## WHOLE MILK INTAKE BY FACTORIES



### WHAT IF NEXT QUARTER'S SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATE:

|              | <i>Trend as published</i> |          | <i>(1) rises by 2.5% on Sep Qtr 2005</i> |          | <i>(2) falls by 2.5% on Sep Qtr 2005</i> |          |
|--------------|---------------------------|----------|------------------------------------------|----------|------------------------------------------|----------|
|              | number                    | % change | number                                   | % change | number                                   | % change |
| Sep Qtr 2004 | 2 494                     | -0.9     | 2 495                                    | -0.8     | 2 495                                    | -0.8     |
| Dec Qtr 2004 | 2 518                     | 1.0      | 2 517                                    | 0.9      | 2 517                                    | 0.9      |
| Mar Qtr 2005 | 2 560                     | 1.7      | 2 560                                    | 1.7      | 2 567                                    | 2.0      |
| Jun Qtr 2005 | 2 586                     | 1.0      | 2 586                                    | 1.0      | 2 583                                    | 0.6      |
| Sep Qtr 2005 | 2 585                     | —        | 2 581                                    | -0.2     | 2 545                                    | -1.5     |

— nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### INTRODUCTION

**1** This publication contains information on livestock slaughterings, meat production, 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.

**2** The figures shown in this publication have been revised where necessary and as a consequence may not agree with similar data shown in previous publications.

**3** Where figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.

**4** Unless indicated otherwise, Australian totals include data for all states and both territories.

### LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERINGS AND MEAT PRODUCTION

**5** The statistics on slaughterings for red 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.

**6** Red meat is shown in carcass weight and excludes offal.

**7** Care should be taken when using this information as the figures only relate to slaughterings for human consumption and do not include animals condemned, slaughtered for pet food or those killed for boiling down.

**8** Poultry slaughterings and meat produced statistics have been compiled from quarterly returns supplied by commercial poultry slaughtering establishments and comprise boilers, fryers and roasters. Many small producers are excluded from the collection; however, the statistics represent a high level of coverage. Tasmanian, Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory data are excluded from the Australian total.

**9** Chicken meat is shown in dressed weight of whole birds, pieces and giblets. Some slaughterings and meat production statistics for 'Ducks and Drakes' and 'Other Fowls and Turkeys' are available by contacting the ABS on Hobart (03) 6222 5838 or by writing to GPO Box 66, Hobart Tasmania 7001 (Attention: Agriculture Section).

### EXPORTS OF FRESH, FROZEN AND PROCESSED MEAT

**10** Table 20 shows exports of fresh, frozen and processed meat. International trade statistics are compiled by the ABS from information submitted by exporters and importers or their agents to the Australian Customs Service. 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, 2.0. This information is sourced from Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry – Australia.

**11** Beef also includes buffalo meat. Bacon and ham shown is the cured carcass weight of smoked or cooked bacon and ham. It also includes the stated net weight of packs of canned bacon and ham. Canned meat is shown as the canned weight and excludes canned bacon and ham.

### LIVE SHEEP AND CATTLE EXPORTS

**12** Table 21 contains statistics of the number of live sheep and cattle exported, the gross weight, gross value and unit value. The unit value is obtained by dividing the gross value by the number of animals exported. Sheep and cattle exported for breeding are excluded.

### MILK

**13** Tables 2, 22, 23 and 25 contain statistics collected by Dairy Australia. Whole milk intake by factories includes the whole milk equivalent of farm cream intake. Market milk sales includes white, flavoured, high and low fat milk and UHT milk. Interstate transfers of UHT milk have been included in their state of destination.

## EXPLANATORY NOTES *continued*

### WOOL RECEIVALS

**14** The statistics in tables 2, 24 and 25 show the amount of taxable wool received by brokers and purchased by dealers from wool producers. It excludes wool received by brokers on which tax has already been paid by other dealers (private buyers) or brokers.

**15** 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

**16** Seasonal adjustment is a means of removing the estimated effects of normal seasonal variation from the series so that the effects of other influences can be more clearly recognised.

**17** In the seasonal adjustment of the livestock estimates, account has been taken of both normal seasonal factors and 'trading day' effects, where significant, (arising from the varying length of each quarter and the varying numbers of Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays etc. in the quarter). Adjustments are also made for the effects of change in the date of Easter holidays, again, where significant. Seasonal adjustment does not remove from the series the effect of irregular influences (e.g. abnormal weather, industrial disputes).

**18** The state component series have been seasonally adjusted independently. Therefore, the adjusted components may not add to the Australian group totals.

**19** In this publication the seasonally adjusted estimates are produced by the concurrent seasonal adjustment method which takes account of the latest available original estimates. This method improves the estimation of seasonal factors and therefore, the seasonally adjusted and trend estimates for the current and previous quarters. As a result of this improvement, revisions to the seasonally adjusted and trend estimates will be observed for recent periods. In most instances the only noticeable revisions will be to the previous quarter and the same quarter one year ago. A more detailed review is conducted annually prior to the September quarter release, using data up to and including the June quarter. The concurrent seasonal adjustment methodology replaces the forward factor methodology used previously.

### TREND ESTIMATES

**20** 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 7-term Henderson moving average to the seasonally adjusted series. The 7-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. Unlike the weights of the standard 7-term Henderson moving average, the weights employed here have been tailored to suit the particular characteristics of individual series. While the asymmetric weights enable the trend to be calculated for recent quarters, it does result in revisions to the estimates for the most recent three quarters as additional observations become available. Revisions of trend estimates will also occur with revisions to the original data and re-estimation of seasonal factors.

**21** Sensitivity analysis indicates the potential magnitude and direction of revisions created to the last three 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.

**22** For further information, see *Information Paper: A Guide to Interpreting Time Series – Monitoring 'Trends', an Overview* (cat. no. 1348.0) or contact the Assistant Director, Time Series Analysis on Canberra (02) 6252 6345.

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