

# ABOUT THE AUSTRALIAN DAIRY INDUSTRY



ANNUAL PER CAPITA CONSUMPTION

**97.6 litres**  
milk  
**13.6 kg**  
cheese

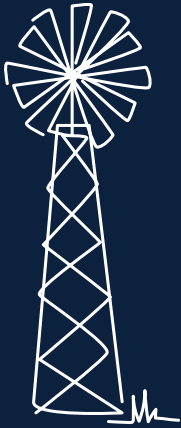


**29%**  
of milk production is exported



AVERAGE ANNUAL MILK PRODUCTION PER COW

**6,170**  
litres



**4<sup>th</sup>**

Dairy is Australia's fourth largest rural industry



MAJOR EXPORT MARKETS tonnes

**244,460 t**  
Greater China

**73,894 t**  
Singapore

**86,269 t**  
Japan

**61,858 t**  
Malaysia

**51,843 t**  
Indonesia



TOTAL ANNUAL MILK PRODUCTION

**8,776**  
million litres

VALUE OF FARMGATE PRODUCTION

**\$4.8 billion**



**43,500**

Dairy industry workforce



AVERAGE HERD SIZE

**279**  
cows



ANNUAL PRODUCTION OF MAIN COMMODITIES

**371,131 tonnes**  
Cheese

**185,316 tonnes**  
Milk powders

**72,548 tonnes**  
Butter



AUSTRALIAN DAIRY HERD

**1.41 million**  
cows



AUSTRALIAN MILK UTILISATION

**39%** Cheese

**4%** Whole milk powder

**32%** Drinking milk

**3%** Other

**22%** Skim milk powder or butter

