

The following table shows particulars of meat purchased during the twelve months ending 31st July, 1941, classified under ports and main descriptions of meat purchased:—

MEAT PURCHASED FOR PERIOD 1ST AUGUST, 1940, TO 31ST JULY, 1941.

Port.	Lamb.		Mutton.		Quarter Beef.		Boneless Beef.		Pork.		Sundries.		Total Weight.		Purchase (New Zealand Currency).	
	Carcasses.	lb.	Bags.	Carcasses.	lb.	Bags.	Quarters.	lb.	Bags.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	£	£
Opua ..	5,991	197,295	..	1,086	52,579	..	19,530	2,628,765	42,249	3,745,740	1,850,995	478,850	8,954,224	195,703		
Auckland	1,141,361	39,710,589	..	169,825	9,754,378	10,741	168,921	28,053,560	183,738	17,874,891	31,421,856	7,178,390	133,993,664	3,480,114		
Chaborne	189,561	6,101,244	..	120,523	6,443,144	..	31,740	4,823,481	13,974	1,368,440	761,098	814,136	20,311,543	462,212		
Tokomaru Bay	16,594	543,632	..	23,551	1,215,787	..	9,041	1,307,853	2,046	236,401	4,895	58,371	3,366,939	67,380		
Napier ..	1,160,797	40,527,287	7,686	272,000	15,469,984	43,146	95,652	17,564,443	24,352	2,759,995	2,113,619	3,500,536	81,935,864	2,126,249		
New Plymouth	360,173	12,595,108	2,398	101,695	5,994,758	25,964	52,556	10,298,658	75,847	7,694,809	11,341,341	2,353,763	50,278,437	1,296,882		
Wanganui	364,155	12,325,449	..	72,615	3,884,878	..	32,573	5,119,789	12,184	1,328,324	8,967	1,179,528	23,846,635	612,276		
Wellington	1,408,900	48,132,155	2,755	213,954	12,053,996	4,861	114,777	19,107,134	49,644	4,830,637	5,302,231	3,818,098	93,244,251	2,478,029		
Pictou ..	155,509	5,178,397	..	25,485	1,174,583	..	248	34,600	2,655	265,635	164,251	263,820	7,081,286	207,157		
Nelson ..	65,038	2,181,232	3	12,737	612,598	..	318	37,547	1,825	239,901	1,168,477	114,119	4,353,874	127,485		
Lyttelton	1,376,254	46,107,852	..	103,564	4,700,439	..	329	38,829	8,475	827,115	559,741	2,469,534	54,703,510	1,663,023		
Oamaru ..	126,683	4,291,107	..	16,044	787,223	..	..	..	113	11,448	..	3,862	5,093,640	151,711		
Timaru ..	478,488	15,793,947	..	118,374	5,603,187	..	..	..	2,144	229,420	..	867,993	22,494,847	623,249		
Port Chalmers	880,207	31,062,895	..	54,657	2,826,321	..	235	31,012	2,706	268,548	11,178	1,961,293	36,161,247	1,109,345		
Bluff ..	1,119,997	40,965,072	..	152,485	8,715,739	3,084	3,226	690,225	10,944	1,135,843	157,463	1,551,024	53,215,366	1,530,172		
Totals	8,849,708	305,713,261	12,895	1,458,595	79,289,594	87,796	529,146	89,735,896	432,896	42,817,147	54,866,112	26,613,317	599,035,327	16,131,047		
Tons	136,479		35,397		40,060				19,115		24,494	11,881	267,426	..		
Purchase (N.Z. currency)	9,787,960		1,307,222		1,580,278				816,360		1,796,024	843,203	..	16,131,047		

In addition to the foregoing relating to the purchase of frozen meat and frozen edible offals, the Department purchased for the twelve months ended 31st July, 1941, canned meat valued at £101,217 (New Zealand currency) and beef for canning valued at £176,179 (New Zealand currency).