

Edible Offals :—

	Beef.	Sheep.	Lamb.	Pork.	Veal.	Bobby Veal.
Livers (in pails or rubber bags) ..	..	8.625	9.5625	7.6875	..	11.125
Livers (in cartons) ..	..	8.5	9.4375	7.5625	..	11.0
Livers (in bags or boxes) ..	6.8125	7.4375	8.375	6.5	7.75	..
Throatbreads ..	5.5625	..	9.3125	..	6.1875	6.1875
Heartbreads ..	..	..	8.8125	..	5.9375	5.9375
Hearts (sound) ..	4.0	5.25	4.3125	4.5	3.6875	4.3125
Hearts (cut) ..	3.5	4.75	3.8125	4.0	3.1875	3.8125
Kidneys ..	9.875	..	..	7.4375	8.0625	8.0625
Kidneys (special) ..	..	13.625	..	..	..	..
Kidneys (small) ..	..	13.0	..	..	..	..
Tails ..	5.5625	..	..	..	..	..
Cheeks ..	3.125	..	..	..	..	..
Skirts (thick) ..	5.25	..	..	..	..	..
Skirts (thin) ..	3.375	..	..	..	..	..
Tripe (raw) ..	1.875	..	..	..	..	..

Prices for frozen tongues are under consideration and will be advised later.

Yours faithfully,

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PURCHASE AND SALE PROCEDURE AND PRICES PAID FOR 1945-46 SEASON'S MEAT PURCHASED BY MARKETING DEPARTMENT FOR EXPORT

The purchase and sale procedure has remained unchanged during the 1945-46 season. Negotiations between the New Zealand Meat-producers Board and the Economic Stabilization Commission resulted in increased prices being paid to farmers for fat lambs and cattle as from the opening of the 1945-46 season. Details of the resultant f.o.b. prices are set out in the Meat Marketing Order 1942, Amendment No. 4.

The purchases made by the Marketing Department from freezing companies and exporters during the twelve months ended 31st July, 1946, totalled £23,480,749 (N.Z. currency).

Debits for shipments to the United Kingdom Ministry of Food and deliveries to the United States Joint Purchasing Board for the same period were £26,108,079 (N.Z. currency) and £1,264,832 (N.Z. currency) respectively.

The following table shows particulars of meat purchased by the Marketing Department from freezing companies and exporters during the twelve months ended 31st July, 1946 :—

Class of Meat.	Tons.	Purchase Value (N.Z. Currency).	Average Price per Pound (N.Z. Currency).
Frozen—		£	d.
Lamb	174.132	14,136,973	8.70
Mutton	79.915	3,174,310	4.26
Beef and veal	57.497	2,947,565	5.49
Pig-meats	14.670	1,307,226	9.55
Edible offals	10.859	783,197	7.73
Totals	337.073	22,349,271	7.10
Preserved—			
Canned beef (including mixed packs) ..	8.459	897,984	..
Tongues	1.076	233,494	..
Totals	9.535	1,131,478	..
Totals, frozen and preserved meat	346.608	23,480,749	..