

COSTS OF BUTTER AND CHEESE MANUFACTURING COMPANIES

The following tabulation shows the average costs of butter- and cheese-manufacturing companies for the 1946-47 season. The averages for the ten previous seasons are also shown :—

COST IN MANUFACTURE AND DELIVERY OF BUTTER TO F.O.B. OVERSEAS STEAMERS (In pence per pound of butterfat)

—			Cream- collec- tion.	Manu- facturing Charges.	Deprecia- tion.	Repairs and Main- tenance.	Charges Factory to f.o.b.	Overhead Charges.	Total Charges.
New Zealand average—									
1946-47 season	..	..	0.486	1.098	0.083	0.123	0.423	0.222	2.435 —0.316*
									2.119
1945-46 season	..	..	0.504	1.163	0.095	0.097	0.409	0.235	2.503 —0.312*
									2.191
1944-45 season	..	..	0.460	1.042	0.090	0.079	0.397	0.188	2.256 —0.269*
									1.987
1943-44 season	..	..	0.472	1.109	0.093	0.078	0.391	0.210	2.353 —0.269*
									2.084
1942-43 season	..	..	0.440	1.100	0.089	0.068	0.398	0.206	2.301
1941-42 season	..	..	0.438	1.091	0.091	0.064	0.409	0.213	2.306†
1940-41 season	..	..	0.405	1.023	0.077	0.063	0.437	0.192	2.197
1939-40 season	..	..	0.398	0.977	0.084	0.063	0.418	0.187	2.127
1938-39 season	..	..	0.402	1.019	0.085	0.098	0.394	0.208	2.206
1937-38 season	..	..	0.381	0.953	0.075	0.076	0.384	0.178	2.047
1936-37 season	..	..	0.352	0.927	0.072	0.088	0.398	0.147	1.984

* Factory-costs allowances (see page 13). † Butter-manufacturing costs for the 1941-42 season were increased owing to diversion of milk-supply from butter-manufacture to cheese-manufacture. Compensation payments were made to dairy companies on this account.