

Onion Export Update

June 2021

National exports of onions from January to June 2021 were 36,950 tonnes worth A\$24.80m. The result was around 17 per cent above last year for the same period (Table 1) though 3 per cent lower in value influenced by lower unit value. The 12-month (MAT) to June result was 45,523 tonnes and rising 7 per cent in the month and indicating a stronger momentum particularly influenced by the result in May and June.

Table 1 : Onion Key Measures							
EXPORTS	YTD (from Jan)	Chg LY	MAT				
Volume (tonnes)	36,950	17%	45,523				
Value (M AUD)	24.80	-3%	30.8				
\$ per kg	\$0.67	-17.2%	\$0.68				

Source: IHS Global Trade Atlas; Fresh Intelligence analysis

Europe overall was 15 per cent lower to 11,811 tonnes, while Asian markets were all higher with some very strong increases e.g., Thailand, Malaysia and Taiwan.

Tasmania was the largest export state accounting for 57 per cent of the national exports with exports 9 per cent higher to June. The lower trade to Europe has impacted on Tasmania the most. South Australia lifted 33 per cent and now accounts for 28 per cent of national exports.

January to June						
Market	2021	Chg LY	share	MAT		
	Tonnes	%	%	Tonnes		
Thailand	7,918	62%	21.4%	9,64.		
Taiwan	4,794	117%	13.0%	8,44.		
Malaysia	4,327	96%	11.7%	5,30		
Netherlands	2,955	-8%	8.0%	2,95		
Belgium	2,267	-31%	6.1%	2,26		
France	2,245	-4%	6.1%	2,24		
United Arab Emirates	1,986	-31%	5.4%	2,12		
Singapore	1,817	45%	4.9%	2,63		
Spain	1,477	49%	4.0%	1,47		
Indonesia	1,445	109%	3.9%	1,44		
Norway	917	6%	2.5%	91		
Hong Kong	710	20%	1.9%	1,06		
Italy	664	-15%	1.8%	66		
all other	3,428		9%	4,33		
Total YTD Tonnes	36,950	17%	100%	45,52		

Ranked by annual volume

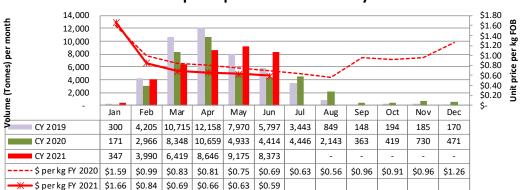
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January to) June			
	Tonnes	Chg LY	share	MAT
Tasmania	20,599	9%	56%	22,633
South Australia	10,232	33%	28%	12,126
Western Australia	5,295	28%	14%	9,326
Victoria	465	100%	1%	615
Queensland	262	-5%	1%	661
New South Wales	98	-56%	0%	162
Total	36,950	17%	100%	45,523
Source: IHS Global Trade	Atlac: Frach Intolli	anco analysis		

Source: IHS Global Trade Atlas; Fresh Intelligence analysis

Table 2. Onion By State

On a month to month basis the June exports were 8,373 tonnes, compared to 4,414 tonnes last year (Figure 1.)



Onion Exports per month vs last 2 years

Source: ABS 2021 via IHS Global Trade Atlas & ITC Trademap; Fresh Intelligence analysis