

Ref: FOI 2016/17-18

Emily Mundzic

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Dear Ms Mundzic

I refer to your request, received by the department on 19 September 2016, for access under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* (FOI Act) to 'national dairy sales statistics from 2000-2016 or an internal report that references this'.

Decision to grant access to documents

I am authorised to make decisions under the FOI Act and my decision is set out below.

The department has released the information you have requested publicly in table 62 of the ABARES publication *Agricultural Commodity Statistics*. The link to the 2015 edition is at http://www.agriculture.gov.au/abares/publications/display?url=http://143.188.17.20/anrdl/DAFFS ervice/display.php?fid=pb_agcstd9abcc0022015_11a.xml

An updated spreadsheet including further information for 2015-16 is **attached**.

I have decided that all documents are appropriate for release.

I have decided there will be no charge for processing your request.

Publication of information in the FOI disclosure log

Information released under the FOI Act may be published in a disclosure log on the department's website at http://www.agriculture.gov.au/about/accessing-information/foi/disclosure log. I have decided that it would be reasonable to publish the documents released to you.

Review rights

If you are dissatisfied with the searches we did to locate documents related to your request, you may apply for internal review or an Information Commissioner review of the decision. We encourage you to seek internal review as a first step as it may provide a more rapid resolution of your concerns.

If you wish to seek an internal review, you must apply to the department within **30 days** after the day you are notified of this decision. An application for internal review must be made in writing. No form is required but it is helpful if you set out the grounds on which you consider that the decision should be reviewed. Your application for an internal review should be sent via email to foi@agriculture.gov.au, or to:

FOI Officer Department of Agriculture GPO Box 858 CANBERRA CITY ACT 2601. Alternatively, you may apply directly to the Office of the Australian Information Commissioner (OAIC) to review my decision. An application for review by the Information Commissioner must be made in writing within **60 days** after the day you are notified of this decision. You can also make a complaint to the Information Commissioner if you have concerns about how the department handled your request. You can find information about requesting a review, making a complaint, and other information about FOI on the OAIC website www.oaic.gov.au. You can also phone the OAIC on 1300 363 992.

Contact details

Should you wish to discuss any issues arising from this letter, please contact FOI Officer, Melissa Nickols by telephone on 02 6272 3537 or email foi@agriculture.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

[signed]

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