# WHEAT ENDUSER REQUIREMENTS FOR DOMESTIC MILLERS AND THE FOOD INDUSTRY HOW WELL IS AUSTRALIAN WHEAT DELVERING?

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#### PRESENTATION TOPICS

- Domestic Wheat and Flour usage
- Wheat Quality requirements, Value and procurement for:
   Bread bakers, Biscuit, Pasta and Breakfast Cereals
- Cereal Product Trends
- Key Messages and Challenges for the Wheat supply Chain

#### DOMESTIC WHEAT DEMAND

#### Estimated total annual demand

•Feed Usage 2.9\* million tonnes

•Flour Milling 2.6 million tonnes

•Seed Wheat 0.56 million tonnes

**Total Domestic Demand** 6.1 million tonnes

•Biofuels (2014) Est.1.0 million tonnes

Usage of 20 million tonne crop is 30% Usage of 9 million tonne crop is 68%

\* 2.2 – 4.1 excl imports (ABARE 02/03 – 07/08f)

# AUSTRALIAN WHEAT & FLOUR USAGE

Wheat Requirement

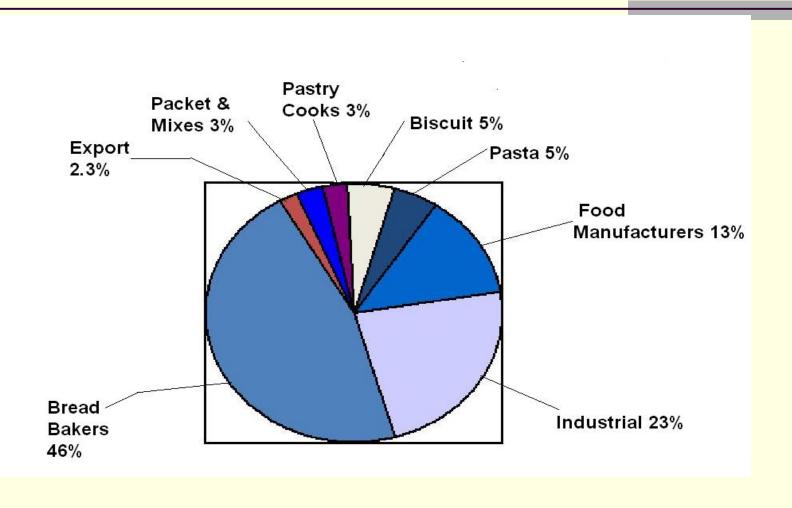
2.6m tonnes

Annual Flour Production

2.1m tonnes

 Domestic milling and cereal industry is the largest single customer of the Australian wheat supply chain

#### FLOUR USAGE IN AUSTRALIA



# DOMESTIC QUALITY REQUIREMENTS

- •Domestic food manufacturers (DFM) use all grades of Australian wheat
- •DFM together with Millers have a Preferred Varieties portfolio within the current wheat Grades
- •Domestic Preferred varieties have special quality traits sought by the DFM.
- •Domestic market is looking to working closely with Wheat Quality Australia to address the variety and class aspect of these issues
- •DM wants more transparency of the varietal mix at receival sites and access to these wheats
- •In some instances DM see significant value for end users through use of single varieties and this is a growing trend.

# DOMESTIC QUALITY REQUIREMENTS

- •Millers are looking to add value through Quality Differentiation of Wheat
- •Ready access to Harvest Crop Quality Information outside the ES for the Domestic Industry as well as for partner and independent O/S food manufacturers is a key issue since AWB ceased providing this information
- Quality Assurance of Wheat Safety and Quality Varietal & Parcel integrity – without contamination from toxins, pesticides, insects – supply chain records at every level
- Outturn Standards should not be less than GTA standards.

#### WHEAT PROCUREMENT

- By Mills or by end users for toll milling
- •Quality is targeted for end users specifications and to meet processing requirements
- •Mills and Endusers expect suppliers to meet their Specifications on Delivery – often this is not the case
- •Some Endusers have a suite of Preferred Varieties which may not be satisfied within existing Wheat Grades
- •The drive for Commodity/Efficiency and Consolidation by the BHAs is at odds with domestic markets looking for differentiation and value added products.
- Domestic Millers are often forced to purchase off Farm and Private Storage – Encouragement for On Farm Storage in some cases

### WHEAT PROCUREMENT

#### Examples include:

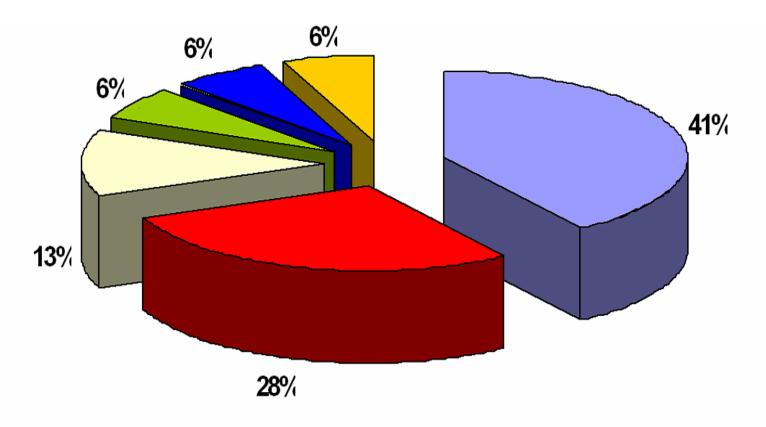
- •Closing of many country silos in some regions reduces opportunity to target Preferred Varieties (PV)
- •BHAs who receive wheat parcels purchased by Millers but what is outturned to the Customer frequently comes from a different location. Hence IP and Traceability is lost as well as the Preferred Variety mix
- •A mill that is adjacent to a silo with a Preferred Varietal mix but wheat is delivered from another remote silo with a high proportion of non PVs
- •Some regions Millers and Endusers can only purchase what they are given and have little say in the region of varietal mix
- •On the plus side some BHAs have benefited mills by setting up exclusive storage of a single variety



# PROCUREMENT AND IDENTITY PRESERVATION

- •DM require better transparency of the varietal mix at BHA silos and the opportunity to access from particular silos.
- •Domestic Industry has increasing concerns about the accuracy of "Declared Varieties" and this needs addressing.

### Wheat Receivals ES Flour Mill - Stock ex BHA Non Conformances (38%), May - July 2011





### WHEAT BREEDING

- Good interaction between Industry and breeders
- Breeders hearing our call with DM targeted varieties
- Build in Consistency across Seasons and Regions
- •Exciting new Health Wheats from CSIRO in the pipeline HAW, Hi Fibre/Resistant Starch, B Glucan, Low GI
- Currently difficult to take full advantage due to wheat cost
- Need better agronomics to make cost effective better adoption by growers
- Opportunities for Dual Purpose Wheats Domestic and Export Quality

### **QUALITY AND VALUE**

# Key driver for end users is : does the Quality/Price equation = Value

- •This does not necessarily mean the lowest cost Wheat Overall Recipe Cost +Plant Performance
- Quality is Ingredients with Best Fit
- •Consistent Ingredients = less waste, product yield and Value
- Proven Plant Performance not Specifications on Paper unlike some Export Wheat Customers

#### PLANT BAKERIES - VALUE

- Is Wheat (Dough) Quality better than 20 yrs ago !? Probably
- •Flour Quality Consistency minimises 'stuff ups' 8k/hr lines (\$80k)! Reduce wastage and down time
- Importance of Wheat Quality Consistency!
- Specifications: Wheat/Flours –Milling Yield, High WA, Short MT, Extensibility, Proof Stability, Protein Quality not Quantity
- Some bakeries need S&D capability for Burger buns

•With increasing W/G breads need protein quality to support the grain in the doughs and minimise gluten usage

•One Flour for all – White, Grain, Fruit Breads - Rolls/Burger Hoplate goods, flat breads!!

### **BISCUIT INDUSTRY**

#### Future Drivers :

- Efficiency Lower Energy Consumption
- Health Traceability food Safety
- Sustainability lower Energy use
- Import Pressure

### **BISCUIT INDUSTRY**

#### What is needed:

- Consistency of Wheat across regions, yr to yr
- More finely graded segregation of Wheats based on relevant Quality parameters – Sft 1 – Sft 2, ANW1 – ANW2 too broad
- Lower Water Absorption

#### **BISCUIT INDUSTRY**

#### Biggest Challenge:

- More detailed and quicker information at Harvest :
  - Protein Range
  - Varietal Mix
  - Additional Quality tests
- Wheat Suppliers to deliver what was ordered
- Allows industry to react and adapt

# PASTA – DURUM QUALITY

- •Durum Quality Colour, Vitreousness, Grain size, Protein Strength
- •Quality Consistency Important difficult to overcome seasonal effects with only one main growing region
- Depends on Season needs hot dry finish
- •Endusers looking for more information from the Supply Chain about the new Durum crop in terms of how this will affect pasta processing and quality.
- •Short coming Semolina Mill Yield (62%) no improvement in 20 yrs wheat Flour yield incr. 77-81.5%

# PASTA MANUFACTURE

- Very price driven by retailers
- •Trend to Low end market use of Durum/Wheat flour
- Premium products use Semolina

#### **BREAKFAST CEREALS**

- •ASW/APW, no Foreign Matter, light colour, no small Grain or too Hard
- •FN, Starch essential for adhesion
- Pentosans & water absorption variation problem
- Mid Protein meet label claim

### **BREAKFAST CEREALS**

• CONSISTENCY OF WHEAT QUALITY across loads & season and year to year

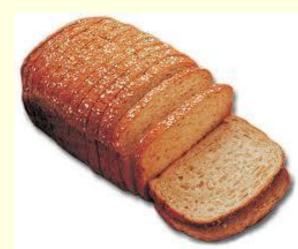
WHEAT COST





#### **BREAD TRENDS**

- •Generics huge shift \$1/Loaf consumers demand same quality as Brands!!
- Trend is about Nutrition & Health in packaged Bread
- •White to Wholegrain/Fortified shift
- Low GI ? mixed messages to Consumers
- •Weight Maintenance High Protein / Low GI
- Flat Breads
- Niche Gluten Free/Ancient Grains/Sour Dough



### HIGH STREET TRENDS

- Reaction to retail chains
- Polarization Bag of flour 60 loaves @ \$1
   or Café style Bakery serve 15 slices of Fruit
   Bread at \$4 ea?
- Differing Customer needs
   Cheapest Ingredients sacrifice Quality or Premium Ingredients, Yield, less waste Great Bread

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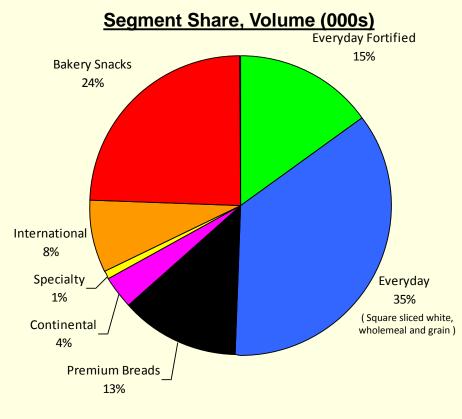
- •Ethnic foods,Pita,Turkish,Noodle
- Artisan, Sour Dough
- Bakers Delight / Bread Top
- •Gluten Free
- Organic



#### FOOD SERVICE TRENDS

- Growing Food Service markets
- Food Coatings and Crumb
- •Gravies gone GF
- Functionality less important
- Commodity wheat Bucket for Suppliers

# Everyday loaves (square sliced loaves) account for largest portion of category value at 35%

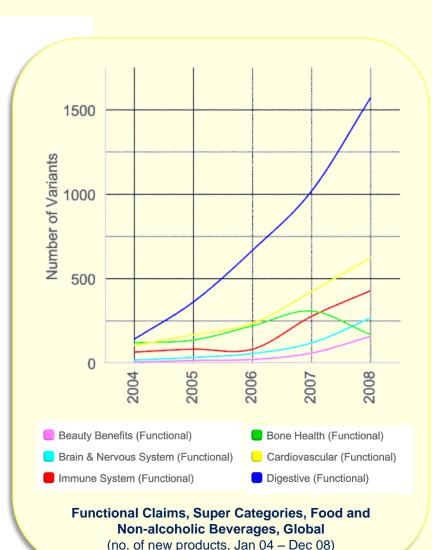




# Why is Wholegrain Increasing?

- Negative health consequences provide market opportunity for wholegrain products
- Consumers concerned with:
  - Diabetes
  - Heart disease
  - High cholesterol
  - Weight

In addition to simple diet modifications, consumers are turning to foods with "inherent goodness"

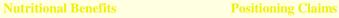


# **Popular Ancient Grains**



#### Spelt

A hexaploid species of wheat - an important staple food in parts of Europe in the Bronze Age



High protein Great Taste \*is not gluten-free



#### Millet

The millets are a group of smallseeded species of cereal crops of grains Gluten free

Vitamin / Mineral Content



#### Amaranth

A cosmopolitan genus of herbs, and was a staple food of the Aztecs Gluten free Heart Health High protein / fibre



#### Quinoa

A psuedo-cereal grown for its edible seeds. Originated in the Andean region of South America

Gluten free Vitamin / Mineral Content High Fibre



#### Kamut

Kamut is a trademark owned by Kamut Intl, Ltd., used to market a variety of Khorasan wheat \*not Gluten Free Energy High protein Italian Pasta



#### Teff

A lovegrass native to the Ethiopian Highlands of Africa

Gluten free Digestive

### **Grains Come Full Circle**

Early Ages

1900-60

1960s - 80s

1990

Today











Various grains used by ancient civilizations to make stone ground bread

Sliced white bread becomes the norm

Ancient grains appear in wholefood stores

Gluten-free products enter the supermarket

Ancient grains seen as artisanal and gourmet

#### **KEY MESSAGES & CHALLENGES?**

- Domestic milling and food industry is the single largest market for the Australian wheat supply chain
- Consistency of quality and supply provide Value for Domestic Food Market?
- Communication Wheat Supply chain needs to work more closely with Millers and Endusers to understand their wheat requirements
- Access to Crop Quality Information difficult earlier and more transparent information of varietal composition and Quality at Harvest ? – Involve DFM in database design
- Increasing interest in Specific Varieties & Segregation ?
- Tighter Specifications for Segregation in specialised markets?
- Improved Agronomics for Preferred and novel Nutritional Varieties to ensure competitive ?

#### **KEY MESSAGES & CHALLENGES?**

- Quality differentiation provides Value
- Polarization of markets driven by retailers requires different cost and quality Generics to Artisan
- Consumers see Price, Taste and Nutrition/Health as Important
- Trend to Wholegrain, Fortified Breads and Bakery Snacks
- Food Safety rapidly increasing in importance as a Risk to be both practically and formerly managed by HACCP, by ISO and similar systems
- Re-establish technical communication between Domestic Wheat Supply Chain and Endusers – this is not an Export prerogative
- Significant Opportunity for the Australian Supply Chain to Improve Delivery to the Domestic Food Industry by working closer together

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