

## 4. PROCESSORS

**TABLE 4.0** STRUCTURE OF ACTIVE REGISTERED PRODUCERS BY REGISTERED PROCESSORS' SUPPLY BANDS 2007/08

MILK SUPPLY BANDS	NUMBER OF PROCESSORS	ACTIVE REGISTERED PRODUCERS*		ANNUAL SUPPLIES	
m. litres		number	%	m. litres	%
0 – 20	10	348	17	63	13
20 – 60	2	205	10	54	12
Over 60	2	1,498	73	348	75
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>2,051</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>465</b>	<b>100</b>

As at 31st December 2008

\* Includes supplies from all registered producers supplying milk for heat treatment for liquid consumption.

- The industry structure is highly concentrated. Two processors with annual supplies in excess of 60 million litres of milk for processing for liquid consumption account for 73% of all active producers and 75% of milk supplies.
- The number of heat treatment establishments licensed to process milk for liquid consumption in the State in 2008 was 19, of which 17 plants were operated by the 14 processors registered with the Agency.
- Two processors operating plants in the State for the processing of milk for liquid consumption (including UHT milk) were not registered with the Agency. These processors imported all their supplies of milk for processing for liquid consumption.
- Average annual milk supplies processed per plant operated by registered processors were 27 million litres.