

4. PROCESSORS

TABLE 4.0 STRUCTURE OF ACTIVE REGISTERED PRODUCERS BY REGISTERED PROCESSORS' SUPPLY BANDS 2008/09

MILK SUPPLY BANDS	NUMBER OF PROCESSORS	ACTIVE REGISTERED PRODUCERS		ANNUAL SUPPLIES	
m. litres		number	%	m. litres	%
0-20	11	366	18	67.7	15
20-60	2	201	10	54.8	12
Over 60	2	1,461	72	333.5	73
TOTAL	15	2,028	100	456.0	100

As at 31st December 2009

* 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 72% of all active, registered producers and 73% of milk supplies.
- The number of heat treatment establishments licensed to process milk for liquid consumption in the State in 2009 was 20, of which 18 plants were operated by the 15 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 25 million litres.