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REGISTRATIONS OF NEW MOTOR VEHICLES, AUSTRALIA : OCTOBER 1968
PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

This preliminary statement of registrations of new motor vehicles will be followed by a supplementary statement showing registrations according to make of vehicle and at a later date by the monthly bulletin, which will give information in greater detail. All Commonwealth-owned vehicles are included other than those belonging to the defence services.

2. In these statistics, "registrations" means registrations processed by the motor vehicle registration authorities in the States and Territories during the period. Occasionally, in some States, registrations of new motor vehicles are not recorded in the statistics until some time after registration. Owing to the introduction of new processing procedures in the Police Department in Western Australia, statistics for that State, classified according to type of vehicle, are not yet available for the month of October 1968.

3. Original and seasonally adjusted registrations of new motor vehicles are shown in Table 1. In the seasonal adjustment, account has been taken not only of normal seasonal factors but additionally of "trading-day" effects (arising from the varying numbers of Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays, etc. in the month) and the influence of Easter which may, in successive years, affect figures for different months. Each of the component series has been seasonally adjusted independently. Consequently, while the unadjusted components in the original series will add to the totals, the adjusted components may not add to the adjusted totals. Details of the methods used in seasonally adjusting these and other series are given in "Seasonally Adjusted Indicators, 1968" (Ref. No. 1.10) issued on 21 May 1968.

TABLE 1. - REGISTRATIONS OF NEW MOTOR VEHICLES (a), SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (b) : AUSTRALIA

Month	Motor cars and station wagons		Other vehicles (c)		Total (c)	
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.
1967 September ..	28,553	28,604	6,343	6,236	34,896	34,973
October ..	31,442	29,997	6,882	6,558	38,324	36,539
November ..	32,476	30,413	7,056	6,279	39,532	36,461
December ..	29,635	30,107	5,618	6,281	35,253	36,488
1968 January ..	25,675	30,135	5,379	6,732	31,054	36,925
February ..	29,703	31,399	5,847	6,533	35,550	37,940
March ..	31,643	31,454	5,453	5,604	37,096	37,245
April ..	31,700	32,248	5,401	5,603	37,101	37,936
May ..	36,823	34,222	7,475	6,483	44,298	40,271
June ..	31,567	34,424	7,217	7,471	38,784	42,157
July ..	31,816	29,378	8,141	7,104	39,957	36,457
August ..	28,235	26,839	7,309	7,145	35,544	34,046
September ..	27,243	27,884	6,829	6,708	34,072	34,661
October p ..	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)	40,632	36,738

(a) See paragraph 2, above. (b) See paragraph 3, above. (c) Excludes motor cycles, tractors, plant, equipment, etc. (d) Not yet available; see paragraph 2, above. p Preliminary.

TABLE 2. - REGISTRATIONS OF NEW MOTOR VEHICLES (a) (b)

Month	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aust.
Year 1966 ..	133,728	101,601	53,221	34,855	35,730	13,010	2,022	4,581	378,748
1967 ..	152,006	109,872	53,611	36,123	39,777	13,794	2,537	5,353	413,073
Latest 10 months 1968p	135,464	97,846	51,839	33,041	37,334	11,315	2,463	4,796	374,098
Same 10 months 1967	124,934	91,075	43,600	29,303	31,874	11,183	2,029	4,290	338,288
1967 September ..	12,994	9,051	4,515	3,218	3,216	1,205	222	475	34,896
October ..	13,830	10,584	4,834	3,369	3,653	1,283	239	532	38,324
November ..	14,102	10,415	5,445	3,415	4,087	1,246	242	610	39,532
December ..	12,970	8,382	4,566	3,405	3,816	1,395	266	453	35,253
1968 January ..	11,674	7,625	4,894	2,403	3,145	717	202	394	31,054
February ..	12,680	9,590	5,000	3,048	3,622	967	190	453	35,550
March ..	14,001	9,078	5,204	3,441	3,516	1,089	184	583	37,096
April ..	13,832	9,242	5,083	3,421	3,613	1,256	181	473	37,101
May ..	16,043	11,833	5,764	4,070	4,304	1,439	335	510	44,298
June ..	12,972	10,661	5,703	3,504	3,969	1,227	241	507	38,784
July ..	14,676	10,502	5,558	3,377	3,838	1,267	266	473	39,957
August ..	12,906	9,330	4,767	3,149	3,672	1,065	266	389	35,544
September ..	12,167	8,798	4,753	3,152	3,446	1,013	290	463	34,082
October p ..	14,513	11,187	5,113	3,476	4,209	1,275	308	551	40,632

(a) See paragraph 2, page 1. (b) Excludes motor cycles, tractors, plant, equipment, etc. p Preliminary.

TABLE 3. - REGISTRATIONS OF NEW MOTOR VEHICLES (a) : AUSTRALIA

Month	Motor cars	Station wagons	Ambulances and hearses	Utilities	Panel vans	Trucks	Other truck-types	Omni-buses	Total	Motor cycles
Year 1966 ..	245,175	61,513	349	33,154	13,351	22,970	837	1,399	378,748	9,738
1967 ..	275,594	59,947	329	34,726	15,546	24,590	871	1,470	413,073	17,306
Latest 10 months 1968p	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	374,098	(b)
Same 10 months 1967	224,378	49,052	268	29,361	13,094	20,201	707	1,227	338,288	13,868
1967 September ..	23,508	5,045	25	2,634	1,387	2,085	76	136	34,896	1,373
October ..	25,918	5,524	31	2,856	1,429	2,338	105	123	38,324	1,764
November ..	26,984	5,492	25	2,866	1,345	2,604	89	127	39,532	1,813
December ..	24,232	5,403	36	2,499	1,107	1,785	75	116	35,253	1,625
1968 January ..	21,054	4,621	27	2,518	1,098	1,582	65	89	31,054	1,744
February ..	24,783	4,920	19	2,587	1,167	1,840	52	182	35,550	2,493
March ..	26,364	5,279	35	2,069	1,124	2,039	62	124	37,096	2,333
April ..	26,392	5,308	24	2,034	1,260	1,899	63	121	37,101	1,923
May ..	30,910	5,913	39	3,313	1,545	2,366	78	134	44,298	1,977
June ..	26,411	5,156	36	3,429	1,374	2,186	93	99	38,784	1,346
July ..	26,234	5,582	44	3,811	1,532	2,516	105	133	39,957	1,688
August ..	23,936	4,299	30	3,206	1,544	2,258	101	170	35,544	1,633
September ..	23,114	4,139	29	2,866	1,374	2,303	76	181	34,082	1,789
October p ..	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	40,632	(b)

(a) See paragraph 2, page 1. (b) Not yet available; see paragraph 2, page 1. p Preliminary.

TABLE 4. - REGISTRATIONS OF NEW MOTOR VEHICLES (a) : OCTOBER 1968 p

Type of vehicle	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia	
									Capital cities (b)	Total
Motor cars ..		125	3,209	2,533	(c)	936	115	377	(c)	(c)
Station wagons ..		248	629	364	(c)	84	70	75	(c)	(c)
Ambulances and hearses ..	14	5	13	3	(c)	1	..	..	(c)	(c)
Utilities ..	1,076	633	576	264	(c)	99	80	37	(c)	(c)
Panel vans ..	675	402	128	95	(c)	64	15	31	(c)	(c)
Trucks ..	856	688	519	192	(c)	68	27	20	(c)	(c)
Other trucks ..	38	42	..	9	(c)	3	1	2	(c)	(c)
Omnibuses ..	53	44	39	16	(c)	20	..	9	(c)	(c)
Capital cities (b) ..	9,097	8,122	2,461	2,610	(c)	565	..	551	(c)	(c)
Other areas ..	5,416	3,065	2,652	866	(c)	710	308	..	(c)	(c)
<u>TOTAL</u>	14,513	11,187	5,113	3,476	4,209	1,275	308	551	(c)	40,632

(a) See paragraph 2, page 1. (b) Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide, Perth and Hobart Statistical Divisions, and the A.C.T. Registrations in the States refer to vehicles whose owners' addresses are located within the capital city statistical division as defined for 1966 population census purposes. (c) Not yet available; see paragraph 2, page 1. p Preliminary.

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