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INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES, APRIL 1974 (PRELIMINARY)

MAIN FEATURES

- In April 1974, 936,100 working days were lost in Australia as a result of 239 industrial disputes involving 607,800 employees. This was the second highest number of working days lost in any month since monthly figures became available in October 1969 and follows the record level of March.
- In the period January to April 1974 there were 937 industrial disputes, involving 840,900 employees and resulting in a loss of 3.4 million working days and \$63.4 million in wages. The number of working days lost in this four-month period was greater than the number lost in any full year since 1929.
- The metal products, machinery and equipment industry lost 356,400 working days in April, due mainly to stoppages in all States in support of claims for a new metal trades award.
- The construction industry lost 422,000 working days in April, due mainly to stoppages in all States by building workers in support of claims for uniform conditions of employment in the industry throughout Australia.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

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1970	..	2,738	..	1,367.4	2,393.7	30,883.3
1971	..	2,404	..	1,326.5	3,068.6	45,241.3
1972	..	2,298	..	1,113.8	2,010.3	32,074.4
1973	..	2,538	..	803.0	2,634.7	45,206.5
1973 -						
April	146	155	75.9	78.7	192.0	3,134.2
May	212	223	100.4	113.6	304.3	5,026.5
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April (b)	210	239	248.2	607.8	936.1	18,170.9
1973 : January to April	..	845	..	248.8	754.3	12,537.4
1974 : January to April (b)	..	937	..	840.9	3,419.2	63,419.7

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Period	Manufacturing								
	Mining		Metal products, machinery and equipment (c)	Other	Construction	Transport and storage; communication		Other industries	All industries
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1972	60.8	62.0	620.2	393.7	407.8	39.2	205.2	221.3	2,010.3
1973	87.5	155.3	800.8	661.4	439.3	49.5	93.2	347.6	2,634.7
1973 -									
April	5.0	17.4	34.4	96.2	15.6	1.4	3.4	18.7	192.0
May	9.0	3.3	115.0	44.0	92.0	0.6	5.3	35.1	304.3
June	12.2	5.8	219.7	62.4	49.6	1.5	1.2	11.4	363.7
July	4.7	14.6	95.3	23.5	55.6	5.9	7.8	17.7	225.0
August	5.4	16.2	38.7	37.5	32.4	12.2	8.7	67.4	218.6
September	6.2	8.1	59.5	68.9	8.5	5.9	4.6	54.3	215.9
October	10.9	12.1	75.4	58.2	60.1	4.2	3.1	21.2	245.2
November	8.4	22.7	49.7	26.9	76.6	4.3	24.8	44.5	257.9
December	1.4	2.3	26.9	5.9	3.3	0.8	0.5	8.6	49.8
1974 -									
January	1.1	7.5	13.1	3.0	5.2	9.3	3.3	11.2	53.6
February	12.2	10.0	302.5	27.5	34.5	6.5	1.6	23.3	418.1
March	52.5	6.0	1,749.7	66.5	98.1	9.3	5.1	24.1	2,011.3
April (d)	28.1	5.4	356.4	23.5	422.0	39.5	4.3	56.9	936.1
1973 : January to April	29.3	70.3	120.6	334.0	61.4	14.2	37.1	87.4	754.3
1974 : January to April (d)	93.9	28.9	2,421.7	120.5	559.9	64.5	14.3	115.5	3,419.2

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WORKING DAYS LOST ('000) (a)

<i>Period</i>	<i>N.S.W.</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>S.A.</i>	<i>W.A.</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>Aust. (b)</i>
1969	743.8	717.2	238.6	129.0	101.4	9.9	1,958.0
1970	1,393.6	510.8	179.2	93.1	141.1	32.2	2,393.7
1971	1,887.5	689.6	271.4	111.2	69.4	20.6	3,068.6
1972	866.8	638.4	292.2	60.9	94.6	19.2	2,010.3
1973	1,098.1	780.5	320.2	130.6	117.3	140.1	2,634.7
1973 -							
January	32.8	11.2	4.1	2.6	7.9	19.1	82.1
February	87.0	86.6	16.7	14.7	7.7	33.5	248.4
March	110.0	47.4	18.8	15.2	10.2	28.5	231.7
April	42.9	92.8	18.2	5.7	11.7	9.5	192.0
May	125.6	94.2	56.2	7.9	7.2	12.4	304.3
June	158.5	91.1	75.6	3.0	8.7	18.8	363.7
July	90.8	102.0	17.1	4.2	9.2	1.6	225.0
August	113.0	33.7	42.8	7.1	15.7	2.5	218.6
September	91.2	83.2	25.1	6.8	4.3	0.2	215.9
October	110.3	87.3	14.9	15.3	12.9	1.8	245.2
November	125.2	44.6	27.4	23.3	21.0	8.5	257.9
December	10.8	6.5	3.4	24.7	0.8	3.6	49.8
1974 -							
January	30.9	7.5	6.4	1.3	5.9	0.2	53.6
February	253.4	125.7	13.2	16.1	5.0	1.1	418.1
March	1,063.1	728.0	45.8	99.1	8.6	54.1	2,011.3
April (c)	351.4	454.8	67.2	37.2	16.8	5.2	936.1
1973 : January to April	272.8	237.9	57.7	38.2	37.6	90.7	754.3
1974 : January to April(c)	1,698.8	1,316.0	132.6	153.7	36.4	60.6	3,419.2

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INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES, MAY 1974 (PRELIMINARY)

MAIN FEATURES

- In May 1974, 559,600 working days were lost in Australia as a result of 356 industrial disputes involving 317,500 employees. This was the highest number of industrial disputes in any month since monthly figures became available in October 1969.
- In the five months January to May 1974 there were 1,243 industrial disputes, involving 1,013,500 employees and resulting in a loss of 4 million working days and \$75.1 million in wages.
- The construction industry lost 229,200 working days in May, due mainly to stoppages in all States by building workers in support of claims for uniform conditions of employment in the industry throughout Australia and for increased wages.
- Other major stoppages involved draughtsmen, technical officers, etc. in most States; metalliferous miners and shop assistants in New South Wales; hotel employees in Victoria; and motor vehicle factory employees in South Australia.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

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May (b)	306	356	172.6	317.5	559.6	11,672.3
1973 : January to May	..	1,057	..	349.2	1,058.6	17,563.9
1974 : January to May (b)	..	1,243	..	1,013.5	3,978.8	75,092.0

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March	52.5	6.0	1,749.7	66.5	98.1	9.3	5.1	24.1	2,011.3
April (d)	28.1	5.4	356.4	23.5	422.0	39.5	4.3	56.9	936.1
May (d)	4.6	31.5	108.4	36.5	229.2	7.3	21.1	120.9	559.6
1973 : January to May	38.4	73.6	235.7	377.9	153.4	14.8	42.4	122.5	1,058.6
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May (c)	252.0	189.1	44.3	52.2	11.4	4.4	559.6
1973 : January to May	398.4	332.1	113.9	46.1	44.9	103.1	1,058.6
1974 : January to May (c)	1,950.8	1,505.1	176.9	205.9	47.8	65.0	3,978.8

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- In the six months January to June 1974 there were 1,484 industrial disputes, involving 1,106,300 employees and resulting in a loss of 4.2 million working days and \$80 million in wages.
- The major stoppages in June involved postal workers in most States, storemen in wool stores in New South Wales, confectionery employees in Victoria, and printing employees in New South Wales.

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TABLE 2. - INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES: INDUSTRIES (a), AUSTRALIA
WORKING DAYS LOST ('000) (b)

Period	Manufacturing				Construction	Transport and storage; communication		Other industries	All industries
	Mining		Metal products, machinery and equipment (c)	Other		Stevedoring services	Other		
	Coal	Other							
1969	76.1	76.9	643.6	267.1	264.4	136.2	286.4	207.3	1,958.0
1970	178.4	76.5	625.9	440.9	618.3	148.3	156.7	148.8	4,393.7
1971	251.6	83.2	636.7	317.7	1,109.5	73.9	300.1	295.9	3,068.6
1972	60.8	62.0	620.2	393.7	407.8	39.2	205.2	221.3	2,010.3
1973	87.5	155.3	800.8	661.4	439.3	49.5	93.2	347.6	2,634.7
1973 -									
June	12.2	5.8	219.7	62.4	49.6	1.5	1.2	11.4	363.7
July	4.7	14.6	95.3	23.5	55.6	5.9	7.8	17.7	225.0
August	5.4	16.2	38.7	37.5	32.4	12.2	8.7	67.4	218.6
September	6.2	8.1	59.5	68.9	8.5	5.9	4.6	54.3	215.9
October	10.9	12.1	75.4	58.2	60.1	4.2	3.1	21.2	245.2
November	8.4	22.7	49.7	26.9	76.6	4.3	24.8	44.5	257.9
December	1.4	2.3	26.9	5.9	3.3	0.8	0.5	8.6	49.8
1974 -									
January	1.1	7.5	13.1	3.0	5.2	9.3	3.3	11.2	53.6
February	12.2	10.0	302.5	27.5	34.5	6.5	1.6	23.3	418.1
March	52.5	6.0	1,749.7	66.5	98.1	9.3	5.1	24.1	2,011.3
April (d)	28.1	5.4	356.4	23.5	422.0	39.5	4.3	56.9	936.1
May (d)	4.6	31.5	108.4	36.5	229.2	7.3	21.1	120.9	559.6
June (d)	2.1	3.5	36.0	69.9	31.4	8.0	48.3	35.9	235.1
1973 : January to June	50.6	79.4	455.3	440.4	203.0	16.3	43.6	133.8	1,422.3
1974 : January to June (d)	100.6	63.9	2,566.1	226.9	820.5	79.8	83.7	272.4	4,213.9

(a) Australian Standard Industrial Classification - see paragraph 2, page 1. (b) Refers to all disputes operative in the period - see paragraph 4, page 1. (c) Includes ASIC sub-divisions 29, 31, 32, 33. (d) Subject to revision.

TABLE 3. - INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES : STATES
WORKING DAYS LOST ('000) (a)

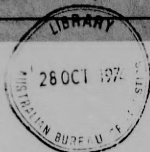
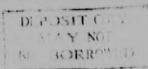
<i>Period</i>	<i>N.S.W.</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>S.A.</i>	<i>W.A.</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>Aust. (b)</i>
1969	743.8	717.2	238.6	129.0	101.4	9.9	1,958.0
1970	1,393.6	510.8	179.2	93.1	141.1	32.2	2,393.7
1971	1,887.5	689.6	271.4	111.2	69.4	20.6	3,068.6
1972	866.8	638.4	292.2	60.9	94.6	19.2	2,010.3
1973	1,098.1	780.5	320.2	130.6	117.3	140.1	2,634.7
1973 -							
January	32.8	11.2	4.1	2.6	7.9	19.1	82.1
February	87.0	85.6	16.7	14.7	7.7	33.5	248.4
March	110.0	47.4	18.8	15.2	10.2	28.5	231.7
April	42.9	92.8	18.2	5.7	11.7	9.5	192.0
May	125.6	94.2	56.2	7.9	7.2	12.4	304.3
June	158.5	91.1	75.6	3.0	8.7	18.8	363.7
July	90.8	102.0	17.1	4.2	9.2	1.6	225.0
August	113.0	33.7	42.8	7.1	15.7	2.5	218.6
September	91.2	83.2	25.1	6.8	4.3	0.2	215.9
October	110.3	87.3	14.9	15.3	12.9	1.8	245.2
November	125.2	44.6	27.4	23.3	21.0	8.5	257.9
December	10.8	6.5	3.4	24.7	0.8	3.6	49.8
1974 -							
January	30.9	7.5	6.4	1.3	5.9	0.2	53.6
February	253.4	125.7	13.2	16.1	5.0	1.1	418.1
March	1,063.1	728.0	45.8	99.1	8.6	54.1	2,011.3
April (c)	351.4	454.8	67.2	37.2	16.8	5.2	936.1
May (c)	252.0	189.1	44.3	52.2	11.4	4.4	559.6
June (c)	108.7	94.4	7.3	7.4	12.1	3.0	235.1
1973 : January to June	556.9	423.2	189.6	49.1	53.5	121.9	1,422.3
1974 : January to June (c)	2,059.5	1,599.5	184.2	213.3	59.9	68.1	4,213.9

(a) Refers to all disputes operative in the period - see paragraph 4, page 1. (b) Includes the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory. (c) Subject to revision.

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Reference No. 6.27

INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES, JULY 1974

MAIN FEATURES

- In July 1974, 526,200 working days were lost in Australia as a result of 336 industrial disputes involving 227,600 employees.
- In the seven months January to July 1974 there were 1,792 industrial disputes, involving 1,322,200 employees and resulting in a loss of 4.7 million working days and \$92 million in wages.
- The major stoppages recorded in July 1974 involved
 - Meatworkers in most States in support of claims for increased wages.
 - Building workers in all States in support of claims for uniform conditions of employment throughout Australia and increased wages, and in protest against deregistration procedures.
 - Transport workers in most States in support of claims for increased wages.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

This bulletin contains statistics of industrial disputes for the month of July 1974 and some previous periods. More information about these disputes will appear later in the detailed quarterly mimeograph *Industrial Disputes* (Reference No. 6.6).

2. The statistics of industrial disputes are compiled according to the Australian Standard Industrial Classification (ASIC), described in the Bureau publication *Australian Standard Industrial Classification (Preliminary Edition)*, 1969, Vol. 1. Statistics on this basis for the years 1968 to 1972 are published in *Labour Report* No. 57, 1972 (Reference No. 6.7) and the March

quarter 1973 bulletin (Reference No. 6.6).

3. The statistics of industrial disputes refer only to disputes involving stoppages of work of ten man-days or more. Workers involved include workers directly and indirectly involved in disputes. Workers indirectly involved are employees thrown out of work at the establishments where the stoppages occurred but not themselves parties to the dispute. Particulars of some stoppages (e.g. those involving a large number of establishments) may be estimated and the statistics therefore should be regarded as giving a broad measure of the extent of stoppages of work (as defined).

4. Stoppages of work occurring at different times and at different establishments but due to the same cause may be regarded as one industrial dispute. However, an industrial dispute occurring in more than one State is counted as a separate dispute in each State. A dispute involving workers in more than one industry in a State or Territory is counted only once in the number of disputes - in the industry that has the largest number of workers involved; but workers involved, working days lost and estimated loss in wages are allocated to their respective industries. Disputes not settled at the end of a year are included as new disputes in the figures for the following year. The monthly statistics refer to all disputes operative in the month, including those disputes that commenced in previous months. In Table 1 details of the number of disputes and workers involved are shown separately for disputes beginning in the month and for all disputes. Any discrepancies between totals and sums of components are due to rounding.

5. For statistics of industrial disputes for earlier periods see *Labour Report* No. 57, 1972 (Reference No. 6.7).

TABLE 1. — INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES: AUSTRALIA

Period	Number of disputes		Workers involved ('000)		Working days lost (a) ('000)	Estimated loss in wages (a) (\$'000)
	Beginning in month	Total (a)	Beginning in month	Total (a)		
1969	..	2,014	..	1,285.2	1,958.0	22,985.7
1970	..	2,738	..	1,367.4	2,393.7	30,883.3
1971	..	2,404	..	1,326.5	3,068.6	45,241.3
1972	..	2,298	..	1,113.8	2,010.3	32,074.4
1973	..	2,538	..	803.0	2,634.7	45,206.5
1973 —						
July	196	207	111.4	139.6	225.0	3,962.1
August	216	239	56.0	83.3	218.6	3,714.1
September	252	273	59.5	63.1	215.9	3,639.0
October	289	313	66.2	79.1	245.2	4,397.3
November	241	274	87.9	101.6	257.9	4,884.3
December	122	138	24.6	29.8	49.8	897.1
1974 —						
January	192	192	41.0	41.0	53.6	897.8
February	261	281	407.8	414.4	418.1	7,704.7
March	274	323	144.0	492.1	2,011.3	36,646.2
April	210	239	248.2	607.8	936.1	18,170.9
May	306	356	172.6	317.5	559.6	11,672.3
June	241	277	92.8	98.0	235.1	4,944.2
July (b)	308	336	216.0	227.6	526.2	11,792.7
1973 : January to July	..	1,418	..	508.7	1,647.3	27,674.5
1974 : January to July (b)	..	1,792	..	1,322.2	4,740.1	91,828.9

(a) Refers to all disputes operative in the period — see paragraph 4, page 1. (b) Subject to revision.

TABLE 2. — INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES: INDUSTRIES (a), AUSTRALIA
WORKING DAYS LOST ('000) (b)

Period	Manufacturing					Transport and storage: communication		Other industries	All industries
	Mining		Metal products, machinery and equipment (c)	Other	Construc-tion	Steve-doring services	Other		
	Coal	Other							
1969	76.1	76.9	643.6	267.1	264.4	136.2	286.4	207.3	1,958.0
1970	178.4	76.5	625.9	440.9	618.3	148.3	156.7	148.8	2,393.7
1971	251.6	83.2	636.7	317.7	1,109.5	73.9	300.1	295.9	3,068.6
1972	60.8	62.0	620.2	393.7	407.8	39.2	205.2	221.3	2,010.3
1973	87.5	155.3	800.8	661.4	439.3	49.5	93.2	347.6	2,634.7
1973 —									
July	4.7	14.6	95.3	23.5	55.6	5.9	7.8	17.7	225.0
August	5.4	16.2	38.7	37.5	32.4	12.2	8.7	67.4	218.6
September	6.2	8.1	59.5	68.9	8.5	5.9	4.6	54.3	215.9
October	10.9	12.1	75.4	58.2	60.1	4.2	3.1	21.2	245.2
November	8.4	22.7	49.7	26.9	76.6	4.3	24.8	44.5	257.9
December	1.4	2.3	26.9	5.9	3.3	0.8	0.5	8.6	49.8
1974 —									
January	1.1	7.5	13.1	3.0	5.2	9.3	3.3	11.2	53.6
February	12.2	10.0	302.5	27.5	34.5	6.5	1.6	23.3	418.1
March	52.5	6.0	1,749.7	66.5	98.1	9.3	5.1	24.1	2,011.3
April	28.1	5.4	356.4	23.5	422.0	39.5	4.3	56.9	936.1
May	4.6	31.5	108.4	36.5	229.2	7.3	21.1	120.9	559.6
June	2.1	3.5	36.0	69.9	31.4	8.0	48.3	35.9	235.1
July (d)	8.0	8.5	45.9	203.3	128.4	5.3	64.5	62.2	526.2
1973 : January to July	55.3	93.9	550.6	463.9	258.5	22.1	51.4	151.5	1,647.3
1974 : January to July (d)	108.7	72.4	2,612.0	430.2	948.9	85.2	148.3	334.6	4,740.1

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TABLE 3. - INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES: STATES
WORKING DAYS LOST ('000) (a)

<i>Period</i>	<i>N.S.W.</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>S.A.</i>	<i>W.A.</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>Aust. (b)</i>
1969	743.8	717.2	238.6	129.0	101.4	9.9	1,958.0
1970	1,393.6	510.8	179.2	93.1	141.1	32.2	2,393.7
1971	1,887.5	689.6	271.4	111.2	69.4	20.6	3,068.6
1972	866.8	638.4	292.2	60.9	94.6	19.2	2,010.3
1973	1,098.1	780.5	320.2	130.6	117.3	140.1	2,634.7
1973 -							
January	32.8	11.2	4.1	2.6	7.9	19.1	82.1
February	87.0	86.6	16.7	14.7	7.7	33.5	248.4
March	110.0	47.4	18.8	15.2	10.2	28.5	231.7
April	42.9	92.8	18.2	5.7	11.7	9.5	192.0
May	125.6	94.2	56.2	7.9	7.2	12.4	304.3
June	158.5	91.1	75.6	3.0	8.7	18.8	363.7
July	90.8	102.0	17.1	4.2	9.2	1.6	225.0
August	113.0	33.7	42.8	7.1	15.7	2.5	218.6
September	91.2	83.2	25.1	6.8	4.3	0.2	215.9
October	110.3	87.3	14.9	15.3	12.9	1.8	245.2
November	125.2	44.6	27.4	23.3	21.0	8.5	257.9
December	10.8	6.5	3.4	24.7	0.8	3.6	49.8
1974 -							
January	30.9	7.5	6.4	1.3	5.9	0.2	53.6
February	253.4	125.7	13.2	16.1	5.0	1.1	418.1
March	1,063.1	728.0	45.8	99.1	8.6	54.1	2,011.3
April	351.4	454.8	67.2	37.2	16.8	5.2	936.1
May	252.0	189.1	44.3	52.2	11.4	4.4	559.6
June	108.7	94.4	7.3	7.4	12.1	3.0	235.1
July (c)	117.3	214.7	136.2	37.8	11.8	4.6	526.2
1973: January to July	647.7	525.2	206.6	53.3	62.7	123.5	1,647.3
1974: January to July (c)	2,176.8	1,814.2	320.4	251.1	71.7	72.7	4,740.1

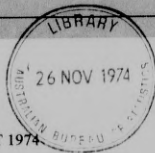
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INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES, AUGUST 1974

MAIN FEATURES

- In August 1974, 816,300 working days were lost in Australia as a result of 299 industrial disputes involving 314,100 employees.
- In the eight months January to August 1974 there were 2,024 industrial disputes, involving 1,549,800 employees and resulting in a loss of 5.6 million working days and \$110 million in wages.
- Major stoppages during August 1974 involved
 - transport workers in all States,
 - meatworkers in most States, and
 - metal trades workers in all States
 in support of claims for increased wages.
- Other major stoppages involved building workers in New South Wales, South Australia and Western Australia.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

This bulletin contains statistics of industrial disputes for the month of August 1974 and some previous periods. More information about these disputes will appear later in the detailed quarterly mimeograph *Industrial Disputes* (Reference No. 6.6).

2. The statistics of industrial disputes are compiled according to the Australian Standard Industrial Classification (ASIC), described in the Bureau publication *Australian Standard Industrial Classification (Preliminary Edition)*, 1969, Vol. 1. Statistics on this basis for the years 1968 to 1972 are published in *Labour Report* No. 57, 1972 (Reference No. 6.7) and the March

quarter 1973 bulletin (Reference No. 6.6).

3. The statistics of industrial disputes refer only to disputes involving stoppages of work of ten man-days or more. Workers involved include workers directly and indirectly involved in disputes. Workers indirectly involved are employees thrown out of work at the establishments where the stoppages occurred but not themselves parties to the dispute. Particulars of some stoppages (e.g. those involving a large number of establishments) may be estimated and the statistics therefore should be regarded as giving a broad measure of the extent of stoppages of work (as defined).

4. Stoppages of work occurring at different times and at different establishments but due to the same cause may be regarded as one industrial dispute. However, an industrial dispute occurring in more than one State is counted as a separate dispute in each State. A dispute involving workers in more than one industry in a State or Territory is counted only once in the number of disputes - in the industry that has the largest number of workers involved; but workers involved, working days lost and estimated loss in wages are allocated to their respective industries. Disputes not settled at the end of a year are included as new disputes in the figures for the following year. The monthly statistics refer to all disputes operative in the month, including those disputes that commenced in previous months. In Table I details of the number of disputes and workers involved are shown separately for disputes beginning in the month and for all disputes. Any discrepancies between totals and sums of components are due to rounding.

5. For statistics of industrial disputes for earlier periods see *Labour Report* No. 57, 1972 (Reference No. 6.7).

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Period	Number of disputes		Workers involved ('000)		Working days lost (a) ('000)	Estimated loss in wages (a) (\$'000)
	Beginning in month	Total (a)	Beginning in month	Total (a)		
1969	..	2,014	..	1,285.2	1,958.0	22,985.7
1970	..	2,738	..	1,367.4	2,393.7	30,883.3
1971	..	2,404	..	1,326.5	3,068.6	45,241.3
1972	..	2,298	..	1,113.8	2,010.3	32,074.4
1973	..	2,538	..	803.0	2,634.7	45,206.5
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August	216	239	56.0	83.3	218.6	3,714.1
September	252	273	59.5	63.1	215.9	3,639.0
October	289	313	66.2	79.1	245.2	4,397.3
November	241	274	87.9	101.6	257.9	4,884.3
December	122	138	24.6	29.8	49.8	897.1
1974 -						
January	192	192	41.0	41.0	53.6	897.8
February	261	281	407.8	414.4	418.1	7,704.7
March	274	323	144.0	492.1	2,011.3	36,646.2
April	210	239	248.2	607.8	936.1	18,170.9
May	306	356	172.6	317.5	559.6	11,672.3
June	241	277	92.8	98.0	235.1	4,944.2
July (b)	308	336	216.0	227.6	526.2	11,792.7
August (b)	232	299	227.5	314.1	816.3	18,124.7
1973 : January to August	..	1,634	..	564.7	1,865.9	31,388.6
1974 : January to August (b)	..	2,024	..	1,549.8	5,556.4	109,953.6

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August	5.4	16.2	38.7	37.5	32.4	12.2	8.7	67.4	218.6
September	6.2	8.1	59.5	68.9	8.5	5.9	4.6	54.3	215.9
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November	8.4	22.7	49.7	26.9	76.6	4.3	24.8	44.5	257.9
December	1.4	2.3	26.9	5.9	3.3	0.8	0.5	8.6	49.8
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January	1.1	7.5	13.1	3.0	5.2	9.3	3.3	11.2	53.6
February	12.2	10.0	302.5	27.5	34.5	6.5	1.6	23.3	418.1
March	52.5	6.0	1,749.7	66.5	98.1	9.3	5.1	24.1	2,011.3
April	28.1	5.4	356.4	23.5	422.0	39.5	4.3	56.9	936.1
May	4.6	31.5	108.4	36.5	229.2	7.3	21.1	120.9	559.6
June	2.1	3.5	36.0	69.9	31.4	8.0	48.3	35.9	235.1
July (d)	8.0	8.5	45.9	203.3	128.4	5.3	64.5	62.2	526.2
August (d)	7.5	14.0	138.9	208.3	81.9	3.1	306.8	55.7	816.3
1973 : January to August	60.7	110.1	589.3	501.4	290.9	34.3	60.2	219.0	1,865.9
1974 : January to August (d)	116.2	86.3	2,750.9	638.5	1,030.7	88.3	455.1	390.3	5,556.4

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TABLE 3. - INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES : STATES
WORKING DAYS LOST ('000) (a)

<i>Period</i>	<i>N.S.W.</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>S.A.</i>	<i>W.A.</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>Aust. (b)</i>
1969	743.8	717.2	238.6	129.0	101.4	9.9	1,958.0
1970	1,393.6	510.8	179.2	93.1	141.1	32.2	2,393.7
1971	1,887.5	689.6	271.4	111.2	69.4	20.6	3,068.6
1972	866.8	638.4	292.2	60.9	94.6	19.2	2,010.3
1973	1,098.1	780.5	320.2	130.6	117.3	140.1	2,634.7
1973 -							
January	32.8	11.2	4.1	2.6	7.9	19.1	82.1
February	87.0	86.6	16.7	14.7	7.7	33.5	248.4
March	110.0	47.4	18.8	15.2	10.2	28.5	231.7
April	42.9	92.8	18.2	5.7	11.7	9.5	192.0
May	125.6	94.2	56.2	7.9	7.2	12.4	304.3
June	158.5	91.1	75.6	3.0	8.7	18.8	363.7
July	90.8	102.0	17.1	4.2	9.2	1.6	225.0
August	113.0	33.7	42.8	7.1	15.7	2.5	218.6
September	91.2	83.2	25.1	6.8	4.3	0.2	215.9
October	110.3	87.3	14.9	15.3	12.9	1.8	245.2
November	125.2	44.6	27.4	23.3	21.0	8.5	257.9
December	10.8	6.5	3.4	24.7	0.8	3.6	49.8
1974 -							
January	30.9	7.5	6.4	1.3	5.9	0.2	53.6
February	253.4	125.7	13.2	16.1	5.0	1.1	418.1
March	1,063.1	728.0	45.8	99.1	8.6	54.1	2,011.3
April	351.4	454.8	67.2	37.2	16.8	5.2	936.1
May	252.0	189.1	44.3	52.2	11.4	4.4	559.6
June	108.7	94.4	7.3	7.4	12.1	3.0	235.1
July (c)	117.3	214.7	136.2	37.8	11.8	4.6	526.2
August (c)	215.0	400.2	127.7	34.6	28.9	1.5	816.3
1973 : January to August	760.6	558.9	249.4	60.4	78.3	126.0	1,865.9
1974 : January to August (c)	2,391.8	2,214.4	448.0	255.7	100.5	74.2	5,556.4

(a) Refers to all disputes operative in the period - see paragraph 4, page 1. (b) Includes the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory. (c) Subject to revision.

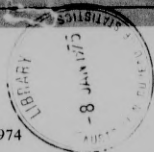
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INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES, SEPTEMBER 1974



MAIN FEATURES

- In September 1974, 255,100 working days were lost in Australia as a result of 268 industrial disputes involving 189,500 employees.
- In the nine months January to September 1974 there were 2,261 industrial disputes, involving 1,726,300 employees and resulting in a loss of 5.8 million working days and \$116 million in wages.
- The major stoppages in September involved building workers in all States, electricity generation employees in Victoria, teachers in New South Wales, club employees in New South Wales and meatworkers in most States.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

This bulletin contains statistics of industrial disputes for the month of September 1974 and some previous periods. More information about these disputes will appear later in the detailed quarterly mimeograph *Industrial Disputes* (Reference No. 6.6).

2. The statistics of industrial disputes are compiled according to the Australian Standard Industrial Classification (ASIC), described in the Bureau publication *Australian Standard Industrial Classification (Preliminary Edition)*, 1969, Vol. 1. Statistics on this basis for the years 1968 to 1972 are published in *Labour Report* No. 57, 1972 (Reference No. 6.7) and the March quarter 1973 bulletin (Reference No. 6.6).

3. The statistics of industrial disputes refer only to disputes involving stoppages of work of ten man-days or more. Workers involved include workers directly and indirectly involved in disputes. Workers indirectly involved are employees thrown out of work at the establishments where the stoppages occurred but not themselves parties to the dispute. Particulars of some stoppages (e.g. those involving a large number of establishments) may be estimated and the statistics therefore should be regarded as giving a broad measure of the extent of stoppages of work (as defined).

4. Stoppages of work occurring at different times and at different establishments but due to the same cause may be regarded as one industrial dispute. However, an industrial dispute occurring in more than one State is counted as a separate dispute in each State. A dispute involving workers in more than one industry in a State or Territory is counted only once in the number of disputes - in the industry that has the largest number of workers involved; but workers involved, working days lost and estimated loss in wages are allocated to their respective industries. Disputes not settled at the end of a year are included as new disputes in the figures for the following year. The monthly statistics refer to all disputes operative in the month, including those disputes that commenced in previous months. In Table 1 details of the number of disputes and workers involved are shown separately for disputes beginning in the month and for all disputes. Any discrepancies between totals and sums of components are due to rounding.

5. For statistics of industrial disputes for earlier periods see *Labour Report* No. 57, 1972 (Reference No. 6.7).

TABLE 1. - INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES: AUSTRALIA

Period	Number of disputes		Workers involved (000)		Working days lost (a) (000)	Estimated loss in wages (a) (\$'000)
	Beginning in month	Total (a)	Beginning in month	Total (a)		
1969	..	2,014	..	1,285.2	1,958.0	22,985.7
1970	..	2,738	..	1,367.4	2,393.7	30,883.3
1971	..	2,404	..	1,326.5	3,068.6	45,241.3
1972	..	2,298	..	1,113.8	2,010.3	32,074.4
1973	..	2,538	..	803.0	2,634.7	45,206.5
1973 -						
September	252	273	59.5	63.1	215.9	3,639.0
October	289	313	66.2	79.1	245.2	4,397.3
November	241	274	87.9	101.6	257.9	4,884.3
December	122	138	24.6	29.8	49.8	897.1
1974						
January	192	192	41.0	41.0	53.6	897.8
February	261	281	407.8	414.4	418.1	7,704.7
March	274	323	144.0	492.1	2,011.3	36,646.2
April	210	239	248.2	607.8	936.1	18,170.9
May	306	356	172.6	317.5	559.6	11,672.3
June	241	277	92.8	98.0	235.1	4,944.2
July (b)	308	336	216.0	227.6	526.2	11,792.7
August (b)	232	299	227.5	314.1	816.3	18,124.7
September (b)	237	268	176.5	189.5	255.1	6,371.9
1973: January to September	..	1,907	..	627.9	2,081.8	35,027.6
1974: January to September (b)	..	2,261	..	1,726.3	5,811.5	116,325.4

(a) Refers to all disputes operative in the period - see paragraph 4, page 1. (b) Subject to revision.

TABLE 2. - INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES: INDUSTRIES (a), AUSTRALIA
WORKING DAYS LOST (000) (b)

Period	Manufacturing							Other industries	All industries
	Mining		Metal products, and machinery (c)	Other	Construc- tion	Transport and storage, communication			
	Coal	Other				Steve- doring services	Other		
1969	76.1	76.9	643.6	267.1	264.4	136.2	286.4	207.3	1,958.0
1970	178.4	76.5	625.9	440.9	618.3	148.3	156.7	148.8	2,393.7
1971	251.6	83.2	636.7	317.7	1,109.5	73.9	300.1	295.9	3,068.6
1972	60.8	62.0	620.2	393.7	407.8	39.2	205.2	221.3	2,010.3
1973	87.5	155.3	800.8	661.4	439.3	49.5	93.2	347.6	2,634.7
1973 -									
September	6.2	8.1	59.5	68.9	8.5	5.9	4.6	54.3	215.9
October	10.9	12.1	75.4	58.2	60.1	4.2	3.1	21.2	245.2
November	8.4	22.7	49.7	26.9	76.6	4.3	24.8	44.5	257.9
December	1.4	2.3	26.9	5.9	3.3	0.8	0.5	8.6	49.8
1974									
January	1.1	7.5	13.1	3.0	5.2	9.3	3.3	11.2	53.6
February	12.2	10.0	302.5	27.5	34.5	6.5	1.6	23.3	418.1
March	52.5	6.0	1,749.7	66.5	98.1	9.3	5.1	24.1	2,011.3
April	28.1	5.4	356.4	23.5	422.0	39.5	4.3	56.9	936.1
May	4.6	31.5	108.4	36.5	229.2	7.3	21.1	120.9	559.6
June	2.1	3.5	36.0	69.9	31.4	8.0	48.3	35.9	235.1
July (d)	8.0	8.5	45.9	203.3	128.4	5.3	64.5	62.2	526.2
August (d)	7.5	14.0	138.9	208.3	81.9	3.1	306.8	55.7	816.3
September (d)	3.2	23.1	30.2	50.1	47.0	6.8	10.6	84.2	255.1
1973: January to September	66.8	118.2	648.8	570.3	299.4	40.2	64.8	273.2	2,081.8
1974: January to September (d)	119.3	109.4	2,781.1	688.7	1,077.7	95.1	465.7	474.5	5,811.5

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TABLE 3. - INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES: STATES
WORKING DAYS LOST ('000) (a)

<i>Period</i>	<i>N.S.W.</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>S.A.</i>	<i>W.A.</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>Aust. (b)</i>
1969	743.8	717.2	238.6	129.0	101.4	9.9	1,958.0
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January	32.8	11.2	4.1	2.6	7.9	19.1	82.1
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March	1,063.1	728.0	45.8	99.1	8.6	54.1	2,011.3
April	351.4	454.8	67.2	37.2	16.8	5.2	936.1
May	252.0	189.1	44.3	52.2	11.4	4.4	559.6
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July (c)	117.3	214.7	136.2	37.8	11.8	4.6	526.2
August (c)	215.0	400.2	127.7	34.6	28.9	1.5	816.3
September (c)	116.7	73.9	25.2	18.4	17.7	1.4	255.1
1973: January to September	851.9	642.1	274.5	67.2	82.6	126.2	2,081.8
1974: January to September (c)	2,508.4	2,288.3	473.2	304.1	118.3	75.6	5,811.5

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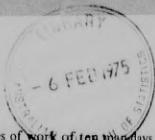
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INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES, OCTOBER 1974



MAIN FEATURES

- In October 1974 there were 245 industrial disputes involving 179,500 employees and resulting in the loss of 238,600 working days.
- The number of working days lost for the month was the lowest since June 1974, and similar to the levels of a year before.
- The major stoppage occurred in Western Australia where some 100,000 working days were lost as a result of protests against the State government's Fuel, Energy and Power Resources Act Amendment Bill.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

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1970	..	2,738	..	1,367.4	2,393.7	30,883.3
1971	..	2,404	..	1,326.5	3,068.6	45,241.3
1972	..	2,298	..	1,113.8	2,010.3	32,074.4
1973	..	2,538	..	803.0	2,634.7	45,206.5
1973 -						
October	289	313	66.2	79.1	245.2	4,397.3
November	241	274	87.9	101.6	257.9	4,884.3
December	122	138	24.6	29.8	49.8	897.1
1974 -						
January	192	192	41.0	41.0	53.6	897.8
February	261	281	407.8	414.4	418.1	7,704.7
March	274	323	144.0	492.1	2,011.3	36,646.2
April	210	239	248.2	607.8	936.1	18,170.9
May	306	356	172.6	317.5	559.6	11,672.3
June	241	277	92.8	98.0	235.1	4,944.2
July	308	336	216.0	227.6	526.2	11,792.7
August	237	299	227.5	314.1	816.3	18,124.7
September	237	268	176.5	189.5	255.1	6,371.9
October (b)	226	245	145.9	179.5	238.6	5,792.7
1973 : January to October	..	2,172	..	689.6	2,327.0	39,357.9
1974 : January to October (b)	..	2,487	..	1,872.2	6,050.2	122,118.1

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TABLE 2. - INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES : INDUSTRIES (a), AUSTRALIA
WORKING DAYS LOST ('000) (b)

Period	Manufacturing								
	Mining		Metal products, machinery and equipment (c)		Construction	Transport and storage; communication		Other industries	All industries
	Coal	Other	Other	Other		Stevedoring services	Other		
1969	76.1	76.9	643.6	267.1	264.4	136.2	286.4	207.3	1,958.0
1970	178.4	76.5	625.9	440.9	618.3	148.3	156.7	148.8	2,393.7
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1973	87.5	155.3	800.8	661.4	439.3	49.5	93.2	347.6	2,634.7
1973 -									
October	10.9	12.1	75.4	58.2	60.1	4.2	3.1	21.2	245.2
November	8.4	22.7	49.7	26.9	76.6	4.3	24.8	44.5	257.9
December	1.4	2.3	26.9	5.9	3.3	0.8	0.5	8.6	49.8
1974 -									
January	1.1	7.5	13.1	3.0	5.2	9.3	3.3	11.2	53.6
February	12.2	10.0	302.5	27.5	34.5	6.5	1.6	23.3	418.1
March	52.5	6.0	1,749.7	66.5	98.1	9.3	5.1	24.1	2,011.3
April	28.1	5.4	356.4	23.5	422.0	39.5	4.3	56.9	936.1
May	4.6	31.5	108.4	36.5	229.2	7.3	21.1	120.9	559.6
June	2.1	3.5	36.0	69.9	31.4	8.0	48.3	35.9	235.1
July	8.0	8.5	45.9	203.3	128.4	5.3	64.5	62.2	526.2
August	7.5	14.0	138.9	208.3	81.9	3.1	306.8	55.7	816.3
September	3.2	23.1	30.2	50.1	47.0	6.8	10.6	84.2	255.1
October (d)	4.6	18.9	41.7	48.4	68.7	7.1	13.2	36.0	238.6
1973 : January to October	77.7	130.3	724.2	628.5	359.5	44.3	67.9	294.5	2,327.0
1974 : January to October (d)	123.9	128.3	2,822.8	737.1	1,146.5	102.2	478.9	510.5	6,050.2

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May	125.6	94.2	56.2	7.9	7.2	12.4	304.3
June	158.5	91.1	75.6	3.0	8.7	18.8	363.7
July	90.8	102.0	17.1	4.2	9.2	1.6	225.0
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July	117.3	214.7	136.2	37.8	11.8	4.6	526.2
August	215.0	400.2	127.7	34.6	28.9	1.5	816.3
September	116.7	73.9	25.2	18.4	17.7	1.4	255.1
October (c)	46.3	49.2	19.7	6.3	105.5	11.3	238.6
1973: January to October	962.1	729.4	289.4	82.5	95.5	128.0	2,327.0
1974: January to October (c)	2,554.7	2,337.5	492.9	310.4	223.8	86.9	6,050.2

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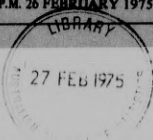
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INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES, NOVEMBER 1974

MAIN FEATURES

- In November 1974 there were 216 industrial disputes involving 75,400 employees and resulting in the loss of 161,800 working days.
- The number of working days lost in November was the lowest since October 1972 except for the months of December and January when the level of disputes is generally much lower than for other months.
- The main stoppages occurred in air transport when pilots stopped work in support of salary increases; and in coal mining in New South Wales (demarcation dispute) and Queensland (protest against dismissal).

EXPLANATORY NOTES

This bulletin contains statistics of industrial disputes for the month of November 1974 and some previous periods. More information about these disputes will appear later in the detailed quarterly mimeograph *Industrial Disputes* (Reference No. 6.6).

2. The statistics of industrial disputes are compiled according to the Australian Standard Industrial Classification (ASIC), described in the Bureau publication *Australian Standard Industrial Classification (Preliminary Edition)*, 1969, Vol. 1. Statistics on this basis for the years 1968 to 1972 are published in *Labour Report* No. 57, 1972 (Reference No. 6.7) and the March quarter 1973 bulletin (Reference No. 6.6).

3. The statistics of industrial disputes refer only to

disputes involving stoppages of work of ten man-days or more. Workers involved include workers directly and indirectly involved in disputes. Workers indirectly involved are employees thrown out of work at the establishments where the stoppages occurred but not themselves parties to the dispute. Particulars of some stoppages (e.g. those involving a large number of establishments) may be estimated and the statistics therefore should be regarded as giving a broad measure of the extent of stoppages of work (as defined).

4. Stoppages of work occurring at different times and at different establishments but due to the same cause may be regarded as one industrial dispute. However, an industrial dispute occurring in more than one State is counted as a separate dispute in each State. A dispute involving workers in more than one industry in a State or Territory is counted only once in the number of disputes - in the industry that has the largest number of workers involved; but workers involved, working days lost and estimated loss in wages are allocated to their respective industries. Disputes not settled at the end of a year are included as new disputes in the figures for the following year. The monthly statistics refer to all disputes operative in the month, including those disputes that commenced in previous months. In Table 1 details of the number of disputes and workers involved are shown separately for disputes beginning in the month and for all disputes. Any discrepancies between totals and sums of components are due to rounding.

5. For statistics of industrial disputes for earlier periods see *Labour Report* No. 57, 1972 (Reference No. 6.7).

TABLE 1. - INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES: AUSTRALIA

Period	Number of disputes		Workers involved ('000)		Working days lost (a) ('000)	Estimated loss in wages (a) (\$'000)
	Beginning in month	Total (a)	Beginning in month	Total (a)		
1969	..	2,014	..	1,285.2	1,958.0	22,985.7
1970	..	2,738	..	1,367.4	2,393.7	30,883.3
1971	..	2,404	..	1,326.5	3,068.6	45,241.3
1972	..	2,298	..	1,113.8	2,010.3	32,074.4
1973	..	2,538	..	803.0	2,634.7	45,206.5
1973 -						
November	241	274	87.9	101.6	257.9	4,884.3
December	122	138	24.6	29.8	49.8	897.1
1974 -						
January	192	192	41.0	41.0	53.6	897.8
February	261	281	407.8	414.4	418.1	7,704.7
March	274	323	144.0	492.1	2,011.3	36,646.2
April	210	239	248.2	607.8	936.1	18,170.9
May	306	356	172.6	317.5	559.6	11,672.3
June	241	277	92.8	98.0	235.1	4,944.2
July	308	336	216.0	227.6	526.2	11,792.7
August	232	299	277.5	314.1	816.3	18,124.7
September	237	268	176.5	189.5	255.1	6,371.9
October (b)	226	245	145.9	179.5	238.6	5,792.7
November (b)	196	216	72.7	75.4	161.8	3,734.2

(a) Refers to all disputes operative in the period - see paragraph 4, page 1. (b) Subject to revision.

TABLE 2. - INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES: INDUSTRIES (a), AUSTRALIA
WORKING DAYS LOST ('000) (b)

Period	Manufacturing								
	Mining		Metal products, machinery and equipment (c)		Construction	Transport and storage, communication			All industries
	Coal	Other	Other	Other		Stevedoring services	Other	Other industries	
1969	76.1	76.9	643.6	267.1	264.4	136.2	286.4	207.3	1,958.0
1970	178.4	76.5	625.9	440.9	618.3	148.3	156.7	148.8	2,393.7
1971	251.6	83.2	636.7	317.7	1,109.5	73.9	300.1	295.9	3,068.6
1972	60.8	62.0	620.2	393.7	407.8	39.2	205.2	221.3	2,010.3
1973	87.5	155.3	800.8	661.4	439.3	49.5	93.2	347.6	2,634.7
1973 -									
November	8.4	22.7	49.7	26.9	76.6	4.3	24.8	44.5	257.9
December	1.4	2.3	26.9	5.9	3.3	0.8	0.5	8.6	49.8
1974 -									
January	1.1	7.5	13.1	3.0	5.2	9.3	3.3	11.2	53.6
February	12.2	10.0	302.5	27.5	34.5	6.5	1.6	23.3	418.1
March	52.5	6.0	1,749.7	66.5	98.1	9.3	5.1	24.1	2,011.3
April	28.1	5.4	356.4	23.5	422.0	39.5	4.3	56.9	936.1
May	4.6	31.5	108.4	36.5	229.2	7.3	21.1	120.9	559.6
June	2.1	3.5	36.0	69.9	31.4	8.0	48.3	35.9	235.1
July	8.0	8.5	45.9	203.3	128.4	5.3	64.5	62.2	526.2
August	7.5	14.0	138.9	208.3	81.9	3.1	306.8	55.7	816.3
September	3.2	23.1	30.2	50.1	47.0	6.8	10.6	84.2	255.1
October (d)	4.6	18.9	41.7	48.4	68.7	7.1	13.2	36.0	238.6
November (d)	31.3	11.3	25.5	15.7	12.7	7.5	21.8	35.9	161.8

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TABLE 3. - INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES : STATES
WORKING DAYS LOST ('000) (a)

<i>Period</i>	<i>N.S.W.</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>S.A.</i>	<i>W.A.</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>Aust. (b)</i>
1969	743.8	717.2	238.6	129.0	101.4	9.9	1,958.0
1970	1,393.6	510.8	179.2	93.1	141.1	32.2	2,393.7
1971	1,887.5	689.6	271.4	111.2	69.4	20.6	3,068.6
1972	866.8	638.4	292.2	60.9	94.6	19.2	2,010.3
1973	1,098.1	780.5	320.2	55.6	117.3	140.1	2,634.7
1973 -							
January	32.8	11.2	4.1	2.6	7.9	19.1	82.1
February	87.0	86.6	16.7	14.7	7.7	33.5	248.4
March	110.0	47.4	18.8	15.2	10.2	28.5	231.7
April	42.9	92.8	18.2	5.7	11.7	9.5	192.0
May	125.6	94.2	56.2	7.9	7.2	12.4	304.3
June	158.5	91.1	75.6	3.0	8.7	18.8	363.7
July	90.8	102.0	17.1	4.2	9.2	1.6	225.0
August	113.0	33.7	42.8	7.1	15.7	2.5	218.6
September	91.2	83.2	25.1	6.8	4.3	0.2	215.9
October	110.3	87.3	14.9	15.3	12.9	1.8	245.2
November	125.2	44.6	27.4	23.3	21.0	8.5	257.9
December	10.8	6.5	3.4	24.7	0.8	3.6	49.8
1974 -							
January	30.9	7.5	6.4	1.3	5.9	0.2	53.6
February	253.4	125.7	13.2	16.1	5.0	1.1	418.1
March	1,063.1	728.0	45.8	99.1	8.6	54.1	2,011.3
April	351.4	454.8	67.2	37.2	16.8	5.2	936.1
May	252.0	189.1	44.3	52.2	11.4	4.4	559.6
June	108.7	94.4	7.3	7.4	12.1	3.0	235.1
July	117.3	214.7	136.2	37.8	11.8	4.6	526.2
August	215.0	400.2	127.7	34.6	28.9	1.5	816.3
September	116.7	73.9	25.2	18.4	17.7	1.4	255.1
October (c)	46.3	49.2	19.7	6.3	105.5	11.3	238.6
November (c)	69.0	31.5	27.2	5.2	25.3	1.4	161.8

(a) Refers to all disputes operative in the period - see paragraph 4, page 1. (b) Includes the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory. (c) Subject to revision.

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INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES, DECEMBER 1974

MAIN FEATURES

In December 1974 there were 139 industrial disputes involving 63,400 employees and resulting in the loss of 80,500 working days.

For the year 1974 industrial disputes statistics were the highest recorded since official statistics began in 1913. In the year there were —

- 2,809 disputes (previous high 1970 — 2,738 disputes)
- 2.0 million workers involved (previous high 1970 — 1.4 million)
- 6.3 million working days lost (previous high 1917 — 4.7 million)
- \$128 million lost in wages.

Major disputes in 1974 included —

- 2.4 million days lost by metal workers (claims for increased wages etc.)
- 470,000 days lost by building workers (claim for a national award)
- 350,000 days lost by transport workers (claim for increased wages etc.)
- 325,000 days lost by meat workers (claim for increased wages etc.).

Average days lost per worker involved in 1974 were 3.1 compared with 3.3 in 1973.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

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Period	Number of disputes		Workers involved ('000)		Working days lost		Estimated loss in wages (a) (\$'000)
	Beginning in month	Total (a)	Beginning in month	Total (a)	Number (a) ('000)	Average days per worker involved (b)	
1969	..	2,014	..	1,285.2	1,958.0	1.5	22,985.7
1970	..	2,738	..	1,367.4	2,393.7	1.8	30,883.3
1971	..	2,404	..	1,326.5	3,068.6	2.3	45,241.3
1972	..	2,298	..	1,113.8	2,010.3	1.8	32,074.4
1973	..	2,538	..	803.0	2,634.7	3.3	45,206.5
1974 (c)	..	2,809	..	2,004.8	6,292.5	3.1	128,301.8
1973 -							
December	122	138	24.6	29.8	49.8	1.7	897.1
1974 -							
January	192	192	41.0	41.0	53.6	1.3	897.8
February	261	281	407.8	414.4	418.1	1.0	7,704.7
March	274	323	144.0	492.1	2,011.3	4.1	36,646.2
April	210	239	248.2	607.8	936.1	1.5	18,170.9
May	306	356	172.6	317.5	559.6	1.8	11,672.3
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July	308	336	216.0	227.6	526.2	2.3	11,792.7
August	232	268	227.5	314.1	816.3	2.6	18,124.7
September	227	268	176.5	189.5	255.1	1.3	6,371.9
October (c)	226	245	145.9	179.5	238.6	1.3	5,792.7
November (c)	196	216	72.7	75.4	161.8	2.1	3,734.2
December (c)	126	139	60.0	63.4	80.5	1.3	2,449.5

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WORKING DAYS LOST ('000) (b)

Period	Manufacturing						Transport and storage; communication		Other industries	All industries
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1973	87.5	155.3	800.8	661.4	439.3	49.5	93.2	347.6	2,634.7	
1974 (d)	163.0	146.5	2,850.8	756.7	1,188.7	111.1	516.2	559.4	6,292.5	
1973 -										
December	1.4	2.3	26.9	5.9	3.3	0.8	0.5	8.6	49.8	
1974 -										
January	1.1	7.5	13.1	3.0	5.2	9.3	3.3	11.2	53.6	
February	12.2	10.0	302.5	27.5	34.5	6.5	1.6	23.3	418.1	
March	52.5	6.0	1,749.7	66.5	98.1	9.3	5.1	24.1	2,011.3	
April	28.1	5.4	356.4	23.5	422.0	39.5	4.3	56.9	936.1	
May	4.6	31.5	108.4	36.5	229.2	7.3	21.1	120.9	559.6	
June	2.1	3.5	36.0	69.9	31.4	8.0	48.3	35.9	235.1	
July	8.0	8.5	45.9	203.3	128.4	5.3	64.5	62.2	526.2	
August	7.5	14.0	138.9	208.3	81.9	3.1	306.8	55.7	816.3	
September	3.2	23.1	30.2	50.1	47.0	6.8	10.6	84.2	255.1	
October (d)	4.6	18.9	41.7	48.4	68.7	7.1	13.2	36.0	238.6	
November (d)	31.3	11.3	25.5	15.7	12.7	7.5	21.8	35.9	161.8	
December (d)	7.7	6.9	2.5	3.9	29.5	1.5	15.5	13.0	80.5	

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1974 (c)	2,665.0	2,386.6	529.5	316.5	256.9	88.5	6,292.5
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March	110.0	47.4	18.8	15.2	10.2	28.5	231.7
April	42.9	92.8	18.2	5.7	11.7	9.5	192.0
May	125.6	94.2	56.2	7.9	7.2	12.4	304.3
June	158.5	91.1	75.6	3.0	8.7	18.8	363.7
July	90.8	102.0	17.1	4.2	9.2	1.6	225.0
August	113.0	33.7	42.8	7.1	15.7	2.5	218.6
September	91.2	83.2	25.1	6.8	4.3	0.2	215.9
October	110.3	87.3	14.9	15.3	12.9	1.8	245.2
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INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES, JANUARY 1975

MAIN FEATURES

In January 1975 there were 158 industrial disputes involving 29,900 employees and resulting in the loss of 36,900 working days.

The level of industrial disputes is generally lower in December and January than in other months; however the number of working days lost in January 1975 was the lowest for any month since June 1969, when 35,500 working days were lost.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

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1974 -							
January	192	192	41.0	41.0	53.6	1.3	897.8
February	261	281	407.8	414.4	418.1	1.0	7,704.7
March	274	323	144.0	492.1	2,011.3	4.1	36,646.2
April	210	239	248.2	607.8	936.1	1.5	18,170.9
May	306	356	172.6	317.5	559.6	1.8	11,672.3
June	241	277	92.8	98.0	235.1	2.4	4,944.2
July	308	336	216.0	227.6	526.2	2.3	11,792.7
August	232	299	227.5	314.1	816.3	2.6	18,124.7
September	237	268	176.5	189.5	255.1	1.3	6,371.9
October	226	245	145.9	179.5	238.6	1.3	5,792.7
November	196	216	72.7	75.4	161.8	2.1	3,734.2
December	126	139	60.0	63.4	80.5	1.3	2,449.5
1975 -							
January (c)	158	158	29.9	29.9	36.9	1.2	953.6

(a) Refers to all disputes operative and workers involved in the period - see paragraph 4, page 1. (b) Monthly figures are not comparable with yearly figures - see paragraph 4, page 1. (c) Subject to revision.

TABLE 2. - INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES : INDUSTRIES (a), AUSTRALIA
WORKING DAYS LOST ('000) (b)

Period	Manufacturing				Transport and storage, communication				
	Mining		Metal products, machinery and equipment (c)	Other	Construction	Stevedoring services		Other industries	All industries
	Coal	Other				Other	Other		
1969	76.1	76.9	643.6	267.1	264.4	136.2	286.4	207.3	1,958.0
1970	178.4	76.5	625.9	440.9	618.3	148.3	156.7	148.8	2,393.7
1971	251.6	83.2	636.7	317.7	1,109.5	73.9	300.1	295.9	3,068.6
1972	60.8	62.0	620.2	393.7	407.8	39.2	205.2	221.3	2,010.3
1973	87.5	155.3	800.8	661.4	439.3	49.5	93.2	347.6	2,634.7
1974	163.0	146.5	2,850.8	756.7	1,188.7	111.1	516.2	559.4	6,292.5
1974 -									
January	1.1	7.5	13.1	3.0	5.2	9.3	3.3	11.2	53.6
February	12.2	10.0	302.5	27.5	34.5	6.5	1.6	23.3	418.1
March	52.5	6.0	1,749.7	66.5	98.1	9.3	5.1	24.1	2,011.3
April	28.1	5.4	356.4	23.5	422.0	39.5	4.3	56.9	936.1
May	4.6	31.5	108.4	36.5	229.2	7.3	21.1	120.9	559.6
June	2.1	3.5	36.0	69.9	31.4	8.0	48.3	35.9	235.1
July	8.0	8.5	45.9	203.3	128.4	5.3	64.5	62.2	526.2
August	7.5	14.0	138.9	208.3	81.9	3.1	306.8	55.7	816.3
September	3.2	23.1	30.2	50.1	47.0	6.8	10.6	84.2	255.1
October	4.6	18.9	41.7	48.4	68.7	7.1	13.2	36.0	238.6
November	31.3	11.3	25.5	15.7	12.7	7.5	21.8	35.9	161.8
December	7.7	6.9	2.5	3.9	29.5	1.5	15.5	13.0	80.5
1975 -									
January (d)	2.2	4.0	6.2	7.1	2.9	4.7	1.6	8.2	36.9

(a) Australian Standard Industrial Classification - see paragraph 2, page 1. (b) Refers to all disputes operative in the period - see paragraph 4, page 1. (c) Includes ASIC sub-divisions 29, 31, 32, 33. (d) Subject to revision.

TABLE 3. - INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES : STATES
WORKING DAYS LOST ('000) (a)

<i>Period</i>	<i>N.S.W.</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>S.A.</i>	<i>W.A.</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>Aust. (b)</i>
1969	743.8	717.2	238.6	129.0	101.4	9.9	1,958.0
1970	1,393.6	510.8	179.2	93.1	141.1	32.2	2,393.7
1971	1,887.5	689.6	271.4	111.2	69.4	20.6	3,068.6
1972	866.8	638.4	292.2	60.9	94.6	19.2	2,010.3
1973	1,098.1	780.5	320.2	130.6	117.3	140.1	2,634.7
1974	2,665.0	2,386.6	529.5	316.5	256.9	88.5	6,292.5
1973 -							
January	32.8	11.2	4.1	2.6	7.9	19.1	82.1
February	87.0	86.6	16.7	14.7	7.7	33.5	248.4
March	110.0	47.4	18.8	15.2	10.2	28.5	231.7
April	42.9	92.8	18.2	5.7	11.7	9.5	192.0
May	125.6	94.2	56.2	7.9	7.2	12.4	304.3
June	158.5	91.1	75.6	3.0	8.7	18.8	363.7
July	90.8	102.0	17.1	4.2	9.2	1.6	225.0
August	113.0	33.7	42.8	7.1	15.7	2.5	218.6
September	91.2	83.2	25.1	6.8	4.3	0.2	215.9
October	110.3	87.3	14.9	15.3	12.9	1.8	245.2
November	125.2	44.6	27.4	23.3	21.0	8.5	257.9
December	10.8	6.5	3.4	24.7	0.8	3.6	49.8
1974 -							
January	30.9	7.5	6.4	1.3	5.9	0.2	53.6
February	253.4	125.7	13.2	16.1	5.0	1.1	418.1
March	1,063.1	728.0	45.8	99.1	8.6	54.1	2,011.3
April	351.4	454.8	67.2	37.2	16.8	5.2	936.1
May	252.0	189.1	44.3	52.2	11.4	4.4	559.6
June	108.7	94.4	7.3	7.4	12.1	3.0	235.1
July	117.3	214.7	136.2	37.8	11.8	4.6	526.2
August	215.0	400.2	127.7	34.6	28.9	1.5	816.3
September	116.7	73.9	25.2	18.4	17.7	1.4	255.1
October	46.3	49.2	19.7	6.3	105.5	11.3	238.6
November	69.0	31.5	27.2	5.2	25.3	1.4	161.8
December	41.3	17.6	9.4	1.0	7.9	0.1	80.5
1975 -							
January (c)	15.1	7.5	7.1	3.1	4.0	0.1	36.9

(a) Refers to all disputes operative in the period - see paragraph 4, page 1. (b) Includes the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory. (c) Subject to revision.

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Reference No. 6.27

INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES, FEBRUARY 1975

MAIN FEATURES

In February 1975 there were 252 industrial disputes involving 67,700 employees and resulting in the loss of 116,700 working days.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

This bulletin contains statistics of industrial disputes for the month of February 1975 and some previous periods. More information about these disputes will appear later in the detailed quarterly bulletin *Industrial Disputes* (Reference No. 6.6).

- The statistics of industrial disputes are compiled according to the Australian Standard Industrial Classification (ASIC), described in the Bureau publication *Australian Standard Industrial Classification (Preliminary Edition)*, 1969, Vol. 1. Statistics on this basis for the years 1968 to 1972 are published in *Labour Report* No. 57, 1972 (Reference No. 6.7) and the March quarter 1973 bulletin (Reference No. 6.6).
- The statistics of industrial disputes refer only to disputes involving stoppages of work of ten man-days or more. Workers involved include workers directly and indirectly involved in disputes. Workers indirectly involved are employees thrown out of work at the establishments where the stoppages occurred but not themselves parties to the dispute. Particulars of some stoppages (e.g. those involving a large number of

establishments) may be estimated and the statistics therefore should be regarded as giving a broad measure of the extent of stoppages of work (as defined).

- Stoppages of work occurring at different times and at different establishments but due to the same cause may be regarded as one industrial dispute. However, an industrial dispute occurring in more than one State is counted as a separate dispute in each State. A dispute involving workers in more than one industry in a State or Territory is counted only once in the number of disputes - in the industry that has the largest number of workers involved; but workers involved, working days lost and estimated loss in wages are allocated to their respective industries. Disputes not settled at the end of a year are included as new disputes in the figures for the following year. The monthly statistics refer to all disputes operative in the month, including those disputes that commenced in previous months. In Table 1 details of the number of disputes and workers involved are shown separately for disputes beginning in the month and for all disputes. Average days lost per worker involved on a monthly basis are not comparable with the yearly averages, because workers involved are included in each month in which they are involved in disputes, while they are counted once only for each dispute in the annual figures. Any discrepancies between totals and sums of components are due to rounding.
- For statistics of industrial disputes for earlier periods see *Labour Report* No. 57, 1972 (Reference No. 6.7).

TABLE 1. - INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES : AUSTRALIA

Period	Number of disputes		Workers involved ('000)		Working days lost		Estimated loss in wages (a) (\$'000)
	Beginning in month	Total (a)	Beginning in month	Total (a)	Number (a)	Average days per worker involved (b)	
1969	..	2,014	..	1,285.2	1,958.0	1.5	22,985.7
1970	..	2,738	..	1,367.4	2,393.7	1.8	30,883.3
1971	..	2,404	..	1,326.5	3,068.6	2.3	45,241.3
1972	..	2,298	..	1,113.8	2,010.3	1.8	32,074.4
1973	..	2,538	..	803.0	2,634.7	3.3	45,206.5
1974	..	2,809	..	2,004.8	6,292.5	3.1	128,301.8
1974 -							
February	261	281	407.8	414.4	418.1	1.0	7,704.7
March	274	323	144.0	492.1	2,011.3	4.1	36,646.2
April	210	239	248.2	607.8	936.1	1.5	18,170.9
May	306	356	172.6	317.5	559.6	1.8	11,672.3
June	241	277	92.8	98.0	235.1	2.4	4,944.2
July	308	336	216.0	227.6	526.2	2.3	11,792.7
August	232	299	227.5	314.1	816.3	2.6	18,124.7
September	237	268	176.5	189.5	255.1	1.3	6,371.9
October	226	245	145.9	179.5	238.6	1.3	5,792.7
November	196	216	72.7	75.4	161.8	2.1	3,734.2
December	126	139	60.0	63.4	80.5	1.3	2,449.5
1975 -							
January (c)	158	158	29.9	29.9	36.9	1.2	953.6
February (c)	237	252	65.1	67.7	116.7	1.7	2,999.0

(a) Refers to all disputes operative and workers involved in the period - see paragraph 4, page 1. (b) Monthly figures are not comparable with yearly figures - see paragraph 4, page 1. (c) Subject to revision.

TABLE 2. - INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES : INDUSTRIES (a), AUSTRALIA
WORKING DAYS LOST ('000) (b)

Period	Manufacturing						Transport and storage; communication		
	Mining		Metal products, machinery and equipment (c)	Other	Construction	Stevedoring services	Other	Other industries	All industries
	Coal	Other							
1969	76.1	76.9	643.6	267.1	264.4	136.2	286.4	207.3	1,958.0
1970	178.4	76.5	625.9	440.9	618.3	148.3	156.7	148.8	2,393.7
1971	251.6	83.2	636.7	317.7	1,109.5	73.9	300.1	295.9	3,068.6
1972	60.8	62.0	620.2	393.7	407.8	39.2	205.2	221.3	2,010.3
1973	87.5	155.3	800.8	661.4	439.3	49.5	93.2	347.6	2,634.7
1974	163.0	146.5	2,850.8	756.7	1,188.7	111.1	516.2	559.4	6,292.5
1974 -									
February	12.2	10.0	302.5	27.5	34.5	6.5	1.6	23.3	418.1
March	52.5	6.0	1,749.7	66.5	98.1	9.3	5.1	24.1	2,011.3
April	28.1	5.4	356.4	23.5	422.0	39.5	4.3	56.9	936.1
May	4.6	31.5	108.4	36.5	229.2	7.3	21.1	120.9	559.6
June	2.1	3.5	36.0	69.9	31.4	8.0	48.3	35.9	235.1
July	8.0	8.5	45.9	203.3	128.4	5.3	64.5	62.2	526.2
August	7.5	14.0	138.9	208.3	81.9	3.1	306.8	55.7	816.3
September	3.2	23.1	30.2	50.1	47.0	6.8	10.6	84.2	255.1
October	4.6	18.9	41.7	48.4	68.7	7.1	13.2	36.0	238.6
November	31.3	11.3	25.5	15.7	12.7	7.5	21.8	35.9	161.8
December	7.7	6.9	2.5	3.9	29.5	1.5	15.5	13.0	80.5
1975 -									
January (d)	2.2	4.0	6.2	7.1	2.9	4.7	1.6	8.2	36.9
February (d)	5.0	5.2	26.3	24.0	23.9	2.3	2.2	27.8	116.7

(a) Australian Standard Industrial Classification - see paragraph 2, page 1. (b) Refers to all disputes operative in the period - see paragraph 4, page 1. (c) Includes ASIC sub-divisions 29, 31, 32, 33. (d) Subject to revision.

TABLE 3. — INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES : STATES
WORKING DAYS LOST ('000) (a)

Period	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (b)
1969	743.8	717.2	238.6	129.0	101.4	9.9	1,958.0
1970	1,393.6	510.8	179.2	93.1	141.1	32.2	2,393.7
1971	1,887.5	689.6	271.4	111.2	69.4	20.6	3,068.6
1972	866.8	638.4	292.2	60.9	94.6	19.2	2,010.3
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1974	2,665.0	2,386.6	529.5	316.5	256.9	88.5	6,292.5
1973 —							
January	32.8	11.2	4.1	2.6	7.9	19.1	82.1
February	87.0	86.6	16.7	14.7	7.7	33.5	248.4
March	110.0	47.4	18.8	15.2	10.2	28.5	231.7
April	42.9	92.8	18.2	5.7	11.7	9.5	192.0
May	125.6	94.2	56.2	7.9	7.2	12.4	304.3
June	158.5	91.1	75.6	3.0	8.7	18.8	363.7
July	90.8	102.0	17.1	4.2	9.2	1.6	225.0
August	113.0	33.7	42.8	7.1	15.7	2.5	218.6
September	91.2	83.2	25.1	6.8	4.3	0.2	215.9
October	110.3	87.3	14.9	15.3	12.9	1.8	245.2
November	125.2	44.6	27.4	23.3	21.0	8.5	257.9
December	10.8	6.5	3.4	24.7	0.8	3.6	49.8
1974 —							
January	30.9	7.5	6.4	1.3	5.9	0.2	53.6
February	253.4	125.7	13.2	16.1	5.0	1.1	418.1
March	1,063.1	728.0	45.8	99.1	8.6	54.1	2,011.3
April	351.4	454.8	67.2	37.2	16.8	5.2	936.1
May	252.0	189.1	44.3	52.2	11.4	4.4	559.6
June	108.7	94.4	7.3	7.4	12.1	3.0	235.1
July	117.3	214.7	136.2	37.8	11.8	4.6	526.2
August	215.0	400.2	127.7	34.6	28.9	1.5	816.3
September	116.7	73.9	25.2	18.4	17.7	1.4	255.1
October	46.3	49.2	19.7	6.3	105.5	11.3	238.6
November	69.0	31.5	27.2	5.2	25.3	1.4	161.8
December	41.3	17.6	9.4	1.0	7.9	0.1	80.5
1975 —							
January (c)	15.1	7.5	7.1	3.1	4.0	0.1	36.0
February (c)	54.5	15.8	32.6	4.3	6.0	0.4	116.7

(a) Refers to all disputes operative in the period — see paragraph 4, page 1. (b) Includes the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory. (c) Subject to revision.

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INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES, MARCH 1975

MAIN FEATURES

- In March 1975 there were 211 industrial disputes involving 81,700 employees and resulting in a loss of 169,100 working days.
- The working days lost in the March quarter were substantially lower than those recorded in the March quarters of 1973 and 1974. They were approximately at the same level as those for the March quarter 1972.
- Almost half of the working days lost in March were the result of three major disputes in New South Wales, involving builders' labourers (intra-union dispute), teachers (preference issue), and newspaper employees (roster dispute).

EXPLANATORY NOTES

This bulletin contains statistics of industrial disputes for the month of March 1975 and some previous periods. More information about these disputes will appear later in the detailed quarterly bulletin *Industrial Disputes* (Reference No. 6.6).

2. The statistics of industrial disputes are compiled according to the Australian Standard Industrial Classification (ASIC), described in the Bureau publication *Australian Standard Industrial Classification (Preliminary Edition)*, 1969, Vol. 1. Statistics on this basis for the years 1968 to 1972 are published in *Labour Report* No. 57, 1972 (Reference No. 6.7) and the March quarter 1973 bulletin (Reference No. 6.6).
3. The statistics of industrial disputes refer only to disputes involving stoppages of work of ten man-days or more. Workers involved include workers directly and

indirectly involved in disputes. Workers indirectly involved are employees thrown out of work at the establishments where the stoppages occurred but not themselves parties to the dispute. Particulars of some stoppages (e.g. those involving a large number of establishments) may be estimated and the statistics therefore should be regarded as giving a broad measure of the extent of stoppages of work (as defined).

4. Stoppages of work occurring at different times and at different establishments but due to the same cause may be regarded as one industrial dispute. However, an industrial dispute occurring in more than one State is counted as a separate dispute in each State. A dispute involving workers in more than one industry in a State or Territory is counted only once in the number of disputes - in the industry that has the largest number of workers involved; but workers involved, working days lost and estimated loss in wages are allocated to their respective industries. Disputes not settled at the end of a year are included as new disputes in the figures for the following year. The monthly statistics refer to all disputes operative in the month, including those disputes that commenced in previous months. In Table 1 details of the number of disputes and workers involved are shown separately for disputes beginning in the month and for all disputes. Average days lost per worker involved on a monthly basis are not comparable with the yearly averages, because workers involved are included in each month in which they are involved in disputes, while they are counted once only for each dispute in the annual figures. Any discrepancies between totals and sums of components are due to rounding.
5. For statistics of industrial disputes for earlier periods see *Labour Report* No. 57, 1972 (Reference No. 6.7).

TABLE 1. - INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES: AUSTRALIA

Period	Number of disputes		Workers involved ('000)		Working days lost		Estimated loss in wages (a) (\$'000)
	Beginning in month	Total (a)	Beginning in month	Total (a)	Number (a) ('000)	Average days per worker involved (b)	
1969	..	2,014	..	1,285.2	1,958.0	1.5	22,985.7
1970	..	2,738	..	1,367.4	2,393.7	1.8	30,883.3
1971	..	2,404	..	1,326.5	3,068.6	2.3	45,241.3
1972	..	2,298	..	1,113.8	2,010.3	1.8	32,074.4
1973	..	2,538	..	803.0	2,634.7	3.3	45,206.5
1974	..	2,809	..	2,004.8	6,292.5	3.1	128,301.8
1974 -							
March	274	323	144.0	492.1	2,011.3	4.1	36,646.2
April	210	239	248.2	607.8	936.1	1.5	18,170.9
May	306	356	172.6	317.5	559.6	1.8	11,672.3
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November	196	216	72.7	75.4	161.8	2.1	3,734.2
December	126	139	60.0	63.4	80.5	1.3	2,449.5
1975 -							
January (c)	158	158	29.9	29.9	36.9	1.2	953.6
February (c)	237	252	65.1	67.7	116.7	1.7	2,999.0
March (c)	182	211	70.7	81.7	169.1	2.1	4,621.8

(a) Refers to all disputes operative and workers involved in the period - see paragraph 4, page 1. (b) Monthly figures are not comparable with yearly figures - see paragraph 4, page 1. (c) Subject to revision.

TABLE 2. - INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES: INDUSTRIES (a), AUSTRALIA
WORKING DAYS LOST ('000) (b)

Period	Manufacturing				Transport and storage, communication				
	Mining		Metal products, machinery and equipment (c)	Other	Construction	Stevedoring services	Other	Other industries	All industries
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1969	76.1	76.9	643.6	267.1	264.4	136.2	286.4	207.3	1,958.0
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1974 -									
March	52.5	6.0	1,749.7	66.5	98.1	9.3	5.1	24.1	2,011.3
April	28.1	5.4	356.4	23.5	422.0	39.5	4.3	56.9	936.1
May	4.6	31.5	108.4	36.5	229.2	7.3	21.1	120.9	559.6
June	2.1	3.5	36.0	69.9	31.4	8.0	48.3	35.9	235.1
July	8.0	8.5	45.9	203.3	128.4	5.3	64.5	62.2	526.2
August	7.5	14.0	138.9	208.3	81.9	3.1	306.8	55.7	816.3
September	3.2	23.1	30.2	50.1	47.0	6.8	10.6	84.2	255.1
October	4.6	18.9	41.7	48.4	68.7	7.1	13.2	36.0	238.6
November	31.3	11.3	25.5	15.7	12.7	7.5	21.8	35.9	161.8
December	7.7	6.9	2.5	3.9	29.5	1.5	15.5	13.0	80.5
1975 -									
January (d)	2.2	4.0	6.2	7.1	2.9	4.7	1.6	8.2	36.9
February (d)	5.0	5.2	26.3	24.0	23.9	2.3	2.2	27.8	116.7
March (d)	8.1	1.3	40.0	22.3	50.4	2.0	7.8	37.2	169.1

(a) Australian Standard Industrial Classification - see paragraph 2, page 1. (b) Refers to all disputes operative in the period - see paragraph 4, page 1. (c) Includes ASIC sub-divisions 29, 31, 32, 33. (d) Subject to revision.

TABLE 3. - INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES : STATES
WORKING DAYS LOST ('000) (a)

<i>Period</i>	<i>N.S.W.</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>S.A.</i>	<i>W.A.</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>Aust. (b)</i>
1969	743.8	717.2	238.6	129.0	101.4	9.9	1,958.0
1970	1,393.6	510.8	179.2	93.1	141.1	32.2	2,393.7
1971	1,887.5	689.6	271.4	111.2	69.4	20.6	3,068.6
1972	866.8	638.4	292.2	60.9	94.6	19.2	2,010.3
1973	1,098.1	780.5	320.2	130.6	117.3	140.1	2,634.7
1974	2,665.0	2,386.6	529.5	316.5	256.9	88.5	6,292.5
1973 -							
January	32.8	11.2	4.1	2.6	7.9	19.1	82.1
February	87.0	86.6	16.7	14.7	7.7	33.5	248.4
March	110.0	47.4	18.8	15.2	10.2	28.5	231.7
April	42.9	92.8	18.2	5.7	11.7	9.5	192.0
May	125.6	94.2	56.2	7.9	7.2	12.4	304.3
June	158.5	91.1	75.6	3.0	8.7	18.8	363.7
July	90.8	102.0	17.1	4.2	9.2	1.6	225.0
August	113.0	33.7	42.8	7.1	15.7	2.5	218.6
September	91.2	83.2	25.1	6.8	4.3	0.2	215.9
October	110.3	87.3	14.9	15.3	12.9	1.8	245.2
November	125.2	44.6	27.4	23.3	21.0	8.5	257.9
December	10.8	6.5	3.4	24.7	0.8	3.6	49.8
1974 -							
January	30.9	7.5	6.4	1.3	5.9	0.2	53.6
February	253.4	125.7	13.2	16.1	5.0	1.1	418.1
March	1,063.1	728.0	45.8	99.1	8.6	54.1	2,011.3
April	351.4	454.8	67.2	37.2	16.8	5.2	936.1
May	252.0	189.1	44.3	52.2	11.4	4.4	559.6
June	108.7	94.4	7.3	7.4	12.1	3.0	235.1
July	117.3	214.7	136.2	37.8	11.8	4.6	526.2
August	215.0	400.2	127.7	34.6	28.9	1.5	816.3
September	116.7	73.9	25.2	18.4	17.7	1.4	255.1
October	46.3	49.2	19.7	6.3	105.5	11.3	238.6
November	69.0	31.5	27.2	5.2	25.3	1.4	161.8
December	41.3	17.6	9.4	1.0	7.9	0.1	80.5
1975 -							
January (c)	15.1	7.5	7.1	3.1	4.0	0.1	36.9
February (c)	54.5	15.8	32.6	4.3	6.0	0.4	116.7
March (c)	119.6	18.9	24.0	2.6	1.6	0.5	169.1

(a) Refers to all disputes operative in the period - see paragraph 4, page 1. (b) Includes the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory. (c) Subject to revision.

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Reference No. 6.27

INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES, APRIL 1975

MAIN FEATURES

- In April 1975 there were 256 industrial disputes involving 290,900 employees and resulting in a loss of 416,300 working days.

The main disputes in April involved —

- Water supply, etc. employees in New South Wales. (Claim for increased wages, etc.).
- Metal trades employees in most States. (Claim for increased wages).
- Hospital employees in Victoria. (Claim for increased wages).

EXPLANATORY NOTES

This bulletin contains statistics of industrial disputes for the month of April 1975 and some previous periods. More information about these disputes will appear later in the detailed quarterly bulletin *Industrial Disputes* (Reference No. 6.6).

2. The statistics of industrial disputes are compiled according to the Australian Standard Industrial Classification (ASIC), described in the Bureau publication *Australian Standard Industrial Classification (Preliminary Edition)*, 1969, Vol. 1. Statistics on this basis are published in *Labour Report* No. 58, 1973 (Reference No. 6.7).

3. The statistics of industrial disputes refer only to disputes involving stoppages of work of ten man-days or more. Workers involved include workers directly and

indirectly involved in disputes. Workers indirectly involved are employees thrown out of work at the establishments where the stoppages occurred but not themselves parties to the dispute. Particulars of some stoppages (e.g. those involving a large number of establishments) may be estimated and the statistics therefore should be regarded as giving a broad measure of the extent of stoppages of work (as defined).

4. Stoppages of work occurring at different times and at different establishments but due to the same cause may be regarded as one industrial dispute. However, an industrial dispute occurring in more than one State is counted as a separate dispute in each State. A dispute involving workers in more than one industry in a State or Territory is counted only once in the number of disputes — in the industry that has the largest number of workers involved; but workers involved, working days lost and estimated loss in wages are allocated to their respective industries. Disputes not settled at the end of a year are included as new disputes in the figures for the following year. The monthly statistics refer to all disputes operative in the month, including those disputes that commenced in previous months. In Table I details of the number of disputes and workers involved are shown separately for disputes beginning in the month and for all disputes. Average days lost per worker involved on a monthly basis are not comparable with the yearly averages, because workers involved are included in each month in which they are involved in disputes, while they are counted once only for each dispute in the annual figures. Any discrepancies between totals and sums of components are due to rounding.

5. For statistics of industrial disputes for earlier periods see *Labour Report* No. 58, 1973 (Reference No. 6.7).

TABLE 1. - INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES: AUSTRALIA

Period	Number of disputes		Workers involved ('000)		Working days lost		Estimated loss in wages (a) (\$'000)
	Beginning in month	Total (a)	Beginning in month	Total (a)	Number (a) ('000)	Average days per worker involved (b)	
1969	..	2,014	..	1,285.2	1,958.0	1.5	22,985.7
1970	..	2,738	..	1,367.4	2,393.7	1.8	30,883.3
1971	..	2,404	..	1,326.5	3,068.6	2.3	45,241.3
1972	..	2,298	..	1,113.8	2,010.3	1.8	32,074.4
1973	..	2,538	..	803.0	2,634.7	3.3	45,206.5
1974	..	2,809	..	2,004.8	6,292.5	3.1	128,301.8
1974 -							
April	210	239	248.2	607.8	936.1	1.5	18,170.9
May	306	356	172.6	317.5	559.6	1.8	11,672.3
June	241	277	92.8	98.0	235.1	2.4	4,944.2
July	308	336	216.0	227.6	526.2	2.3	11,792.7
August	232	299	227.5	314.1	816.3	2.6	18,124.7
September	237	268	176.5	189.5	255.1	1.3	6,371.9
October	226	245	145.9	179.5	238.6	1.3	5,792.7
November	196	216	72.7	75.4	161.8	2.1	3,734.2
December	126	139	60.0	63.4	80.5	1.3	2,449.5
1975 -							
January	158	158	29.9	29.9	36.9	1.2	953.6
February	237	252	65.1	67.7	116.7	1.7	2,999.0
March	182	211	70.7	81.7	169.1	2.1	4,621.8
April (c)	246	256	288.7	290.9	416.3	1.4	11,144.7

(a) Refers to all disputes operative and workers involved in the period - see paragraph 4, page 1. (b) Monthly figures are not comparable with yearly figures - see paragraph 4, page 1. (c) Subject to revision.

TABLE 2. - INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES: INDUSTRIES (a), AUSTRALIA
WORKING DAYS LOST ('000) (b)

Period	Mining		Manufacturing		Transport and storage; communication		Other industries	All industries	
	Coal	Other	Metal products, machinery and equipment (c)	Other	Construction	Stevedoring services			
1969	76.1	76.9	643.6	267.1	264.4	136.2	286.4	207.3	1,958.0
1970	178.4	76.5	625.9	440.9	618.3	148.3	156.7	148.8	2,393.7
1971	251.6	83.2	636.7	317.7	1,109.5	73.9	300.1	295.9	3,068.6
1972	60.8	62.0	620.2	393.7	407.8	39.2	205.2	221.3	2,010.3
1973	87.5	155.3	800.8	661.4	439.3	49.5	93.2	347.6	2,634.7
1974	163.0	146.5	2,850.8	756.7	1,188.7	111.1	516.2	559.4	6,292.5
1974 -									
April	28.1	5.4	356.4	23.5	422.0	39.5	4.3	56.9	936.1
May	4.6	31.5	108.4	36.5	229.2	7.3	21.1	120.9	559.6
June	2.1	3.5	36.0	69.9	31.4	8.0	48.3	35.9	235.1
July	8.0	8.5	45.9	203.3	128.4	5.3	64.5	62.2	526.2
August	7.5	14.0	138.9	208.3	81.9	3.1	306.8	55.7	816.3
September	3.2	23.1	30.2	50.1	47.0	6.8	10.6	84.2	255.1
October	4.6	18.9	41.7	48.4	68.7	7.1	13.2	36.0	238.6
November	31.3	11.3	25.5	15.7	12.7	7.5	21.8	35.9	161.8
December	7.7	6.9	2.5	3.9	29.5	1.5	15.5	13.0	80.5
1975 -									
January	2.2	4.0	6.2	7.1	2.9	4.7	1.6	8.2	36.9
February	5.0	5.2	26.3	24.0	23.9	2.3	2.2	27.8	116.7
March	8.1	1.3	40.0	22.3	50.4	2.0	7.8	37.2	169.1
April (d)	10.9	7.3	116.4	24.4	45.1	3.6	13.5	195.1	416.3

(a) Australian Standard Industrial Classification - see paragraph 2, page 1. (b) Refers to all disputes operative in the period - see paragraph 4, page 1. (c) Includes ASIC sub-divisions 29, 31, 32, 33. (d) Subject to revision.

**TABLE 3. - INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES
WORKING DAYS LOST ('000) (a)**

<i>Period</i>	<i>N.S.W.</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>S.A.</i>	<i>W.A.</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>Aust. (b)</i>
1969	743.8	717.2	238.6	129.0	101.4	9.9	1,958.0
1970	1,393.6	510.8	179.2	93.1	141.1	32.2	2,393.7
1971	1,887.5	689.6	271.4	111.2	69.4	20.6	3,068.6
1972	866.8	638.4	292.2	60.9	94.6	19.2	2,010.3
1973	1,098.1	780.5	320.2	130.6	117.3	140.1	2,634.7
1974	2,665.0	2,386.6	529.5	316.5	256.9	88.5	6,292.5
1973 -							
January	32.8	11.2	4.1	2.6	7.9	19.1	82.1
February	87.0	86.6	16.7	14.7	7.7	33.5	248.4
March	110.0	47.4	18.8	15.2	10.2	28.5	231.7
April	42.9	92.8	18.2	5.7	11.7	9.5	192.0
May	125.6	94.2	56.2	7.9	7.2	12.4	304.3
June	158.5	91.1	75.6	3.0	8.7	18.8	363.7
July	90.8	102.0	17.1	4.2	9.2	1.6	225.0
August	113.0	33.7	42.8	7.1	15.7	2.5	218.6
September	91.2	83.2	25.1	6.8	4.3	0.2	215.9
October	110.3	87.3	14.9	15.3	12.9	1.8	245.2
November	125.2	44.6	27.4	23.3	21.0	8.5	257.9
December	10.8	6.5	3.4	24.7	0.8	3.6	49.8
1974 -							
January	30.9	7.5	6.4	1.3	5.9	0.2	53.6
February	253.4	125.7	13.2	16.1	5.0	1.1	418.1
March	1,063.1	728.0	45.8	99.1	8.6	54.1	2,011.3
April	351.4	454.8	67.2	37.2	16.8	5.2	936.1
May	252.0	189.1	44.3	52.2	11.4	4.4	559.6
June	108.7	94.4	7.3	7.4	12.1	3.0	235.1
July	117.3	214.7	136.2	37.8	11.8	4.6	526.2
August	215.0	400.2	127.7	34.6	28.9	1.5	816.3
September	116.7	73.9	25.2	18.4	17.7	1.4	255.1
October	46.3	49.2	19.7	6.3	105.5	11.3	238.6
November	69.0	31.5	27.2	5.2	25.3	1.4	161.8
December	41.3	17.6	9.4	1.0	7.9	0.1	80.5
1975 -							
January	15.1	7.5	7.1	3.1	4.0	0.1	36.9
February	54.5	15.8	32.6	4.3	6.0	0.4	116.7
March	119.6	18.9	24.0	2.6	1.6	0.5	169.1
April (c)	281.6	91.4	16.2	5.2	9.7	1.9	416.3

(a) Refers to all disputes operative in the period - see paragraph 4, page 1. (b) Includes the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory. (c) Subject to revision.

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Reference No. 6.27

INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES, MAY 1975

MAIN FEATURES

- In May 1975 there were 330 industrial disputes involving 366,000 employees and resulting in a loss of 504,600 working days.

The main disputes in May related to claims for increased wages and involved -

- Metal trades employees in most States.
- Water supply, etc. employees in New South Wales.
- Storemen and Packers in Victoria.
- Coal Miners in N.S.W. and Queensland.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

This bulletin contains statistics of industrial disputes for the month of May 1975 and some previous periods. More information about these disputes will appear later in the detailed quarterly bulletin *Industrial Disputes* (Reference No. 6.6).

2. The statistics of industrial disputes are compiled according to the Australian Standard Industrial Classification (ASIC), described in the Bureau publication *Australian Standard Industrial Classification (Preliminary Edition)*, 1969, Vol. 1. Statistics on this basis are published in *Labour Report* No. 58, 1973 (Reference No. 6.7).

3. The statistics of industrial disputes refer only to disputes involving stoppages of work of ten man-days or more. Workers involved include workers directly and

indirectly involved in disputes. Workers indirectly involved are employees thrown out of work at the establishments where the stoppages occurred but not themselves parties to the dispute. Particulars of some stoppages (e.g. those involving a large number of establishments) may be estimated and the statistics therefore should be regarded as giving a broad measure of the extent of stoppages of work (as defined).

4. Stoppages of work occurring at different times and at different establishments but due to the same cause may be regarded as one industrial dispute. However, an industrial dispute occurring in more than one State is counted as a separate dispute in each State. A dispute involving workers in more than one industry in a State or Territory is counted only once in the number of disputes in the industry that has the largest number of workers involved; but workers involved, working days lost and estimated loss in wages are allocated to their respective industries. Disputes not settled at the end of a year are included as new disputes in the figures for the following year. The monthly statistics refer to all disputes operative in the month, including those disputes that commenced in previous months. In Table 1 details of the number of disputes and workers involved are shown separately for disputes beginning in the month and for all disputes. Average days lost per worker involved on a monthly basis are not comparable with the yearly averages, because workers involved are included in each month in which they are involved in disputes, while they are counted once only for each dispute in the annual figures. Any discrepancies between totals and sums of components are due to rounding.

5. For statistics of industrial disputes for earlier periods see *Labour Report* No. 58, 1973 (Reference No. 6.7).

TABLE 1. - INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES : AUSTRALIA

Period	Number of disputes		Workers involved ('000)		Working days lost		Estimated loss in wages (a) (\$'000)
	Beginning in month	Total (a)	Beginning in month	Total (a)	Number (a) ('000)	Average days per worker involved (b)	
1969	..	2,014	..	1,285.2	1,958.0	1.5	22,985.7
1970	..	2,738	..	1,367.4	2,393.7	1.8	30,883.3
1971	..	2,404	..	1,326.5	3,068.6	2.3	45,241.3
1972	..	2,298	..	1,113.8	2,010.3	1.8	32,074.4
1973	..	2,538	..	803.0	2,634.7	3.3	45,206.5
1974	..	2,809	..	2,004.8	6,292.5	3.1	128,301.8
1974							
May	306	356	172.6	317.5	559.6	1.8	11,672.3
June	241	277	92.8	98.0	235.1	2.4	4,944.2
July	308	336	216.0	227.6	526.2	2.3	11,792.7
August	232	299	227.5	314.1	816.3	2.6	18,124.7
September	237	268	176.5	189.5	255.1	1.3	6,371.9
October	226	245	145.9	179.5	238.6	1.3	5,792.7
November	196	216	72.7	75.4	161.8	2.1	3,734.2
December	126	139	60.0	63.4	80.5	1.3	2,449.5
1975							
January	158	158	29.9	29.9	36.9	1.2	953.6
February	237	252	65.1	67.7	116.7	1.7	2,999.0
March	182	211	70.7	81.7	169.1	2.1	4,621.8
April (c)	246	256	288.7	290.9	416.3	1.4	11,144.7
May (c)	283	330	144.3	366.0	504.6	1.4	13,719.6

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TABLE 2. - INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES : INDUSTRIES (a), AUSTRALIA
WORKING DAYS LOST ('000) (b)

Period	Manufacturing				Construction	Transport and storage; communication			All industries
	Mining		Metal products, machinery and equipment (c)	Other		Stevedoring services	Other	Other industries	
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1969	76.1	76.9	643.6	267.1	264.4	136.2	286.4	207.3	1,958.0
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1974	163.0	146.5	2,850.8	756.7	1,188.7	111.1	516.2	559.4	6,292.5
1974									
May	4.6	31.5	108.4	36.5	229.2	7.3	21.1	120.9	559.6
June	2.1	3.5	36.0	69.9	31.4	8.0	48.3	35.9	235.1
July	8.0	8.5	45.9	203.3	128.4	5.3	64.5	62.2	526.2
August	7.5	14.0	138.9	208.3	81.9	3.1	306.8	55.7	816.3
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November	31.3	11.3	25.5	15.7	12.7	7.5	21.8	35.9	161.8
December	7.7	6.9	2.5	3.9	29.5	1.5	15.5	13.0	80.5
1975									
January	2.2	4.0	6.2	7.1	2.9	4.7	1.6	8.2	36.9
February	5.0	5.2	26.3	24.0	23.9	2.3	2.2	27.8	116.7
March	8.1	1.3	40.0	22.3	50.4	2.0	7.8	37.2	169.1
April (d)	10.9	7.3	116.4	24.4	45.1	3.6	13.5	195.1	416.3
May (d)	36.8	7.6	177.2	78.1	65.8	6.3	7.2	125.4	504.6

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**TABLE 3. — INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES
WORKING DAYS LOST ('000) (a)**

<i>Period</i>	<i>N.S.W.</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>S.A.</i>	<i>W.A.</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>Aust. (b)</i>
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February	87.0	86.6	16.7	14.7	7.7	33.5	248.4
March	110.0	47.4	18.8	15.2	10.2	28.5	231.7
April	42.9	92.8	18.2	5.7	11.7	9.5	192.0
May	125.6	94.2	56.2	7.9	7.2	12.4	304.3
June	158.5	91.1	75.6	3.0	8.7	18.8	363.7
July	90.8	102.0	17.1	4.2	9.2	1.6	225.0
August	113.0	33.7	42.8	7.1	15.7	2.5	218.6
September	91.2	83.2	25.1	6.8	4.3	0.2	215.9
October	110.3	87.3	14.9	15.3	12.9	1.8	245.2
November	125.2	44.6	27.4	23.3	21.0	8.5	257.9
December	10.8	6.5	3.4	24.7	0.8	3.6	49.8
1974 —							
January	30.9	7.5	6.4	1.3	5.9	0.2	53.6
February	253.4	125.7	13.2	16.1	5.0	1.1	418.1
March	1,063.1	728.0	45.8	99.1	8.6	54.1	2,011.3
April	351.4	454.8	67.2	37.2	16.8	5.2	936.1
May	252.0	189.1	44.3	52.2	11.4	4.4	559.6
June	108.7	94.4	7.3	7.4	12.1	3.0	235.1
July	117.3	214.7	136.2	37.8	11.8	4.6	526.2
August	215.0	400.2	127.7	34.6	28.9	1.5	816.3
September	116.7	73.9	25.2	18.4	17.7	1.4	255.1
October	46.3	49.2	19.7	6.3	105.5	11.3	238.6
November	69.0	31.5	27.2	5.2	25.3	1.4	161.8
December	41.3	17.6	9.4	1.0	7.9	0.1	80.5
1975 —							
January	15.1	7.5	7.1	3.1	4.0	0.1	36.9
February	54.5	15.8	32.6	4.3	6.0	0.4	116.7
March	119.6	18.9	24.0	2.6	1.6	0.5	169.1
April (c)	281.6	91.4	16.2	5.2	9.7	1.9	416.3
May (c)	218.7	215.7	31.5	10.9	15.7	2.2	504.6

(a) Refers to all disputes operative in the period — see paragraph 4, page 1. (b) Includes the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory. (c) Subject to revision.

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INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES, JUNE 1975

MAIN FEATURES

- In June 1975 there were 239 industrial disputes involving 413,200 employees and resulting in a loss of 635,300 working days.

The main disputes in June related principally to claims for increased wages and involved -

- Metal trades employees in most States.
- Coal miners in N.S.W. and Queensland.
- Building workers in Victoria.
- Storemen and packers in Victoria.
- In the June quarter there were 1,556,200 working days lost compared with 1,730,800 in the June quarter of 1974 and 860,000 in June quarter 1973.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

This bulletin contains statistics of industrial disputes for the month of June 1975 and some previous periods. More information about these disputes will appear later in the detailed quarterly bulletin *Industrial Disputes* (Reference No. 6.6).

2. The statistics of industrial disputes are compiled according to the Australian Standard Industrial Classification (ASIC), described in the Bureau publication *Australian Standard Industrial Classification (Preliminary Edition)*, 1969, Vol. 1. Statistics on this basis are published in *Labour Report* No. 58, 1973 (Reference No. 6.7).
3. The statistics of industrial disputes refer only to disputes involving stoppages of work of ten man-days or

more. Workers involved include workers directly and indirectly involved in disputes. Workers indirectly involved are employees thrown out of work at the establishments where the stoppages occurred but not themselves parties to the dispute. Particulars of some stoppages (e.g. those involving a large number of establishments) may be estimated and the statistics therefore should be regarded as giving a broad measure of the extent of stoppages of work (as defined).

4. Stoppages of work occurring at different times and at different establishments but due to the same cause may be regarded as one industrial dispute. However, an industrial dispute occurring in more than one State is counted as a separate dispute in each State. A dispute involving workers in more than one industry in a State or Territory is counted only once in the number of disputes - in the industry that has the largest number of workers involved; but workers involved, working days lost and estimated loss in wages are allocated to their respective industries. Disputes not settled at the end of a year are included as new disputes in the figures for the following year. The monthly statistics refer to all disputes operative in the month, including those disputes that commenced in previous months. In Table 1 details of the number of disputes and workers involved are shown separately for disputes beginning in the month and for all disputes. Average days lost per worker involved on a monthly basis are not comparable with the yearly averages, because workers involved are included in each month in which they are involved in disputes, while they are counted once only for each dispute in the annual figures. Any discrepancies between totals and sums of components are due to rounding.

5. For statistics of industrial disputes for earlier periods see *Labour Report* No. 58, 1973 (Reference No. 6.7).

TABLE 1. - INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES : AUSTRALIA

Period	Number of disputes		Workers involved ('000)		Working days lost		Estimated loss in wages (a) (\$'000)
	Beginning in month	Total (a)	Beginning in month	Total (a)	Number (a) ('000)	Average days per worker involved (b)	
1969	..	2,014	..	1,285.2	1,958.0	1.5	22,985.7
1970	..	2,738	..	1,367.4	2,393.7	1.8	30,883.3
1971	..	2,404	..	1,326.5	3,068.6	2.3	45,241.3
1972	..	2,298	..	1,113.8	2,010.3	1.8	32,074.4
1973	..	2,538	..	803.0	2,634.7	3.3	45,206.5
1974	..	2,809	..	2,004.8	6,292.5	3.1	128,301.8
1974 -							
June	241	277	92.8	98.0	235.1	2.4	4,944.2
July	308	336	216.0	227.6	526.2	2.3	11,792.7
August	232	299	227.5	314.1	816.3	2.6	18,124.7
September	237	268	176.5	189.5	255.1	1.3	6,371.9
October	226	245	145.9	179.5	238.6	1.3	5,792.7
November	196	216	72.7	75.4	161.8	2.1	3,734.2
December	126	139	60.0	63.4	80.5	1.3	2,449.5
1975 -							
January	158	158	29.9	29.9	36.9	1.2	953.6
February	237	252	65.1	67.7	116.7	1.7	2,999.0
March	182	211	70.7	81.7	169.1	2.1	4,621.8
April (c)	246	256	288.7	290.9	416.3	1.4	11,144.7
May (c)	283	330	144.3	366.0	504.6	1.4	13,719.6
June (c)	174	239	147.9	413.2	635.3	1.5	17,157.5

(a) Refers to all disputes operative and workers involved in the period - see paragraph 4, page 1. (b) Monthly figures are not comparable with yearly figures - see paragraph 4, page 1. (c) Subject to revision.

TABLE 2. - INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES : INDUSTRIES (a), AUSTRALIA
WORKING DAYS LOST ('000) (b)

Period	Manufacturing				Construction	Transport and storage; communication			All industries
	Mining		Metal products, machinery and equipment (c)	Other		Stevedoring services	Other	Other industries	
	Coal	Other							
1969	76.1	76.9	643.6	267.1	264.4	136.2	286.4	207.3	1,958.0
1970	178.4	76.5	625.9	440.9	618.3	148.3	156.7	148.8	2,393.7
1971	251.6	83.2	636.7	317.7	1,109.5	73.9	300.1	295.9	3,068.6
1972	60.8	62.0	620.2	393.7	407.8	39.2	205.2	221.3	2,010.3
1973	87.5	155.3	800.8	661.4	439.3	49.5	93.2	347.6	2,634.7
1974	163.0	146.5	2,850.8	756.7	1,188.7	111.1	516.2	559.4	6,292.5
1974 -									
June	2.1	3.5	36.0	69.9	31.4	8.0	48.3	35.9	235.1
July	8.0	8.5	45.9	203.3	128.4	5.3	64.5	62.2	526.2
August	7.5	14.0	138.9	208.3	81.9	3.1	306.8	55.7	816.3
September	3.2	23.1	30.2	50.1	47.0	6.8	10.6	84.2	255.1
October	4.6	18.9	41.7	48.4	68.7	7.1	13.2	36.0	238.6
November	31.3	11.3	25.5	15.7	12.7	7.5	21.8	35.9	161.8
December	7.7	6.9	2.5	3.9	29.5	1.5	15.5	13.0	80.5
1975 -									
January	2.2	4.0	6.2	7.1	2.9	4.7	1.6	8.2	36.9
February	5.0	5.2	26.3	24.0	23.9	2.3	2.2	27.8	116.7
March	8.1	1.3	40.0	22.3	50.4	2.0	7.8	37.2	169.1
April (d)	10.9	7.3	116.4	24.4	45.1	3.6	13.5	195.1	416.3
May (d)	36.8	7.6	177.2	78.1	65.8	6.3	7.2	125.4	504.6
June (d)	45.8	12.2	387.2	44.4	71.3	2.5	11.4	60.5	635.3

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TABLE 3. — INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES
WORKING DAYS LOST ('000) (a)

Period	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (b)
1969	743.8	717.2	238.6	129.0	101.4	9.9	1,958.0
1970	1,393.6	510.8	179.2	93.1	141.1	32.2	2,393.7
1971	1,887.5	689.6	271.4	111.2	69.4	20.6	3,068.6
1972	866.8	638.4	292.2	60.9	94.6	19.2	2,010.3
1973	1,098.1	780.5	320.2	130.6	117.3	140.1	2,634.7
1974	2,665.0	2,386.6	529.5	316.5	256.9	88.5	6,292.5
1973 —							
January	32.8	11.2	4.1	2.6	7.9	19.1	82.1
February	87.0	86.6	16.7	14.7	7.7	33.5	248.4
March	110.0	47.4	18.8	15.2	10.2	28.5	231.7
April	42.9	92.8	18.2	5.7	11.7	9.5	192.0
May	125.6	94.2	56.2	7.9	7.2	12.4	304.3
June	158.5	91.1	75.6	3.0	8.7	18.8	363.7
July	90.8	102.0	17.1	4.2	9.2	1.6	225.0
August	113.0	33.7	42.8	7.1	15.7	2.5	218.6
September	91.2	83.2	25.1	6.8	4.3	0.2	215.9
October	110.3	87.3	14.9	15.3	12.9	1.8	245.2
November	125.2	44.6	27.4	23.3	21.0	8.5	257.9
December	10.8	6.5	3.4	24.7	0.8	3.6	49.8
1974 —							
January	30.9	7.5	6.4	1.3	5.9	0.2	53.6
February	253.4	125.7	13.2	16.1	5.0	1.1	418.1
March	1,063.1	728.0	45.8	99.1	8.6	54.1	2,011.3
April	351.4	454.8	67.2	37.2	16.8	5.2	936.1
May	252.0	189.1	44.3	52.2	11.4	4.4	559.6
June	108.7	94.4	7.3	7.4	12.1	3.0	235.1
July	117.3	214.7	136.2	37.8	11.8	4.6	526.2
August	215.0	400.2	127.7	34.6	28.9	1.5	816.3
September	116.7	73.9	25.2	18.4	17.7	1.4	255.1
October	46.3	49.2	19.7	6.3	105.5	11.3	238.6
November	69.0	31.5	27.2	5.2	25.3	1.4	161.8
December	41.3	17.6	9.4	1.0	7.9	0.1	80.5
1975 —							
January	15.1	7.5	7.1	3.1	4.0	0.1	36.9
February	54.5	15.8	32.6	4.3	6.0	0.4	116.7
March	119.6	18.9	24.0	2.6	1.6	0.5	169.1
April (c)	281.6	91.4	16.2	5.2	9.7	1.9	416.3
May (c)	218.7	215.7	31.5	10.9	15.7	2.2	504.6
June (c)	280.2	217.3	65.8	24.9	14.4	8.3	635.3

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INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES, JULY 1975

MAIN FEATURES

- In July 1975 there were 340 industrial disputes involving 380,000 employees and resulting in a loss of 557,600 working days.

The main disputes in July related principally to claims for increased wages and involved -

- Metal trades employees in all States.
- Coal miners in N.S.W. and Queensland.
- Building workers in Victoria and Queensland.
- Some government wages staff in Victoria.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

This bulletin contains statistics of industrial disputes for the month of July 1975 and some previous periods. More information about these disputes will appear later in the detailed quarterly bulletin *Industrial Disputes* (Reference No. 6.6).

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3. The statistics of industrial disputes refer only to disputes involving stoppages of work of ten man-days or more. Workers involved include workers directly and indirectly involved in disputes. Workers indirectly

involved are employees thrown out of work at the establishments where the stoppages occurred but not themselves parties to the dispute. Particulars of some stoppages (e.g. those involving a large number of establishments) may be estimated and the statistics therefore should be regarded as giving a broad measure of the extent of stoppages of work (as defined).

4. Stoppages of work occurring at different times and at different establishments but due to the same cause may be regarded as one industrial dispute. However, an industrial dispute occurring in more than one State is counted as a separate dispute in each State. A dispute involving workers in more than one industry in a State or Territory is counted only once in the number of disputes - in the industry that has the largest number of workers involved; but workers involved, working days lost and estimated loss in wages are allocated to their respective industries. Disputes not settled at the end of a year are included as new disputes in the figures for the following year. The monthly statistics refer to all disputes operative in the month, including those disputes that commenced in previous months. In Table 1 details of the number of disputes and workers involved are shown separately for disputes beginning in the month and for all disputes. Average days lost per worker involved on a monthly basis are not comparable with the yearly averages, because workers involved are included in each month in which they are involved in disputes, while they are counted once only for each dispute in the annual figures. Any discrepancies between totals and sums of components are due to rounding.

5. For statistics of industrial disputes for earlier periods see *Labour Report* No. 58, 1973 (Reference No. 6.7).

TABLE 1. - INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES: AUSTRALIA

Period	Number of disputes		Workers involved ('000)		Working days lost		Estimated loss in wages (a) (\$'000)
	Beginning in month	Total (a)	Beginning in month	Total (a)	Number (a) ('000)	Average days per worker involved (b)	
1969	..	2,014	..	1,285.2	1,958.0	1.5	22,985.7
1970	..	2,738	..	1,367.4	2,393.7	1.8	30,883.3
1971	..	2,404	..	1,326.5	3,068.6	2.3	45,241.3
1972	..	2,298	..	1,113.8	2,010.3	1.8	32,074.4
1973	..	2,538	..	803.0	2,634.7	3.3	45,206.5
1974	..	2,809	..	2,004.8	6,292.5	3.1	128,301.8
1974 -							
July	308	336	216.0	227.6	526.2	2.3	11,792.7
August	232	299	227.5	314.1	816.3	2.6	18,124.7
September	237	268	176.5	189.5	255.1	1.3	6,371.9
October	226	245	145.9	179.5	238.6	1.3	5,792.7
November	196	216	72.7	75.4	161.8	2.1	3,734.2
December	126	139	60.0	63.4	80.5	1.3	2,449.5
1975 -							
January	158	158	29.9	29.9	36.9	1.2	953.6
February	237	252	65.1	67.7	116.7	1.7	2,999.0
March	182	211	70.7	81.7	169.1	2.1	4,621.8
April	246	256	288.7	290.9	416.3	1.4	11,144.7
May	283	330	144.3	366.0	504.6	1.4	13,719.6
June	174	239	147.9	413.2	635.3	1.5	17,157.5
July (c)	316	340	129.0	380.0	557.6	1.5	15,521.5

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TABLE 2. - INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES: INDUSTRIES (a), AUSTRALIA
WORKING DAYS LOST ('000) (b)

Period	Manufacturing				Transport and storage; communication				
	Mining		Metal products, machinery and equipment (c)	Other	Construction	Stevedoring services	Other	Other industries	All industries
1969	76.1	76.9	643.6	267.1	264.4	136.2	286.4	207.3	1,958.0
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1974	163.0	146.5	2,850.8	756.7	1,188.7	111.1	516.2	559.4	6,292.5
1974 -									
July	8.0	8.5	45.9	203.3	128.4	5.3	64.5	62.2	526.2
August	7.5	14.0	138.9	208.3	81.9	3.1	306.8	55.7	816.3
September	3.2	23.1	30.2	50.1	47.0	6.8	10.6	84.2	255.1
October	4.6	18.9	41.7	48.4	68.7	7.1	13.2	36.0	238.6
November	31.3	11.3	25.5	15.7	12.7	7.5	21.8	35.9	161.8
December	7.7	6.9	2.5	3.9	29.5	1.5	15.5	13.0	80.5
1975 -									
January	2.2	4.0	6.2	7.1	2.9	4.7	1.6	8.2	36.9
February	5.0	5.2	26.3	24.0	23.9	2.3	2.2	27.8	116.7
March	8.1	1.3	40.0	22.3	50.4	2.0	7.8	37.2	169.1
April	10.9	7.3	116.4	24.4	45.1	3.6	13.5	195.1	416.3
May	36.8	7.6	177.2	78.1	65.8	6.3	7.2	125.4	504.6
June	45.8	12.2	387.2	44.4	71.3	2.5	11.4	60.5	635.3
July (d)	100.3	11.5	196.4	51.3	124.2	2.5	26.7	44.7	557.6

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**TABLE 3. - INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES
WORKING DAYS LOST ('000) (a)**

<i>Period</i>	<i>N.S.W.</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>S.A.</i>	<i>W.A.</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>Aust. (b)</i>
1969	743.8	717.2	238.6	129.0	101.4	9.9	1,958.0
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July	90.8	102.0	17.1	4.2	9.2	1.6	225.0
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August	215.0	400.2	127.7	34.6	28.9	1.5	816.3
September	116.7	73.9	25.2	18.4	17.7	1.4	255.1
October	46.3	49.2	19.7	6.3	105.5	11.3	238.6
November	69.0	31.5	27.2	5.2	25.3	1.4	161.8
December	41.3	17.6	9.4	1.0	7.9	0.1	80.5
1975 -							
January	15.1	7.5	7.1	3.1	4.0	0.1	36.9
February	54.5	15.8	32.6	4.3	6.0	0.4	116.7
March	119.6	18.9	24.0	2.6	1.6	0.5	169.1
April	281.6	91.4	16.2	5.2	9.7	1.9	416.3
May	218.7	215.7	31.5	10.9	15.7	2.2	504.6
June	280.2	217.3	65.8	24.9	14.4	8.3	635.3
July (c)	210.9	208.6	80.0	26.7	10.4	12.0	557.6

(a) Refers to all disputes operative in the period - see paragraph 4, page 1. (b) Includes the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory. (c) Subject to revision.

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INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES, AUGUST 1975

MAIN FEATURES

- In August 1975 there were 269 industrial disputes involving 74,900 employees and resulting in a loss of 292,800 working days.
- The average number of working days lost per worker involved in August was 3.9.

The main disputes in August related principally to claims for increased wages and involved -

- Coal miners in N.S.W. and Queensland.
- Building workers in Victoria.
- Meat workers in Victoria.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

This bulletin contains statistics of industrial disputes for the month of August 1975 and some previous periods. More information about these disputes will appear later in the detailed quarterly bulletin *Industrial Disputes* (Reference No. 6.6).

2. The statistics of industrial disputes are compiled according to the Australian Standard Industrial Classification (ASIC), described in the Bureau publication *Australian Standard Industrial Classification (Preliminary Edition)*, 1969, Vol. 1. Statistics on this basis are published in *Labour Report* No. 58, 1973 (Reference No. 6.7).

3. The statistics of industrial disputes refer only to disputes involving stoppages of work of ten man-days or more. Workers involved include workers directly and indirectly involved in disputes. Workers indirectly

involved are employees thrown out of work at the establishments where the stoppages occurred but not themselves parties to the dispute. Particulars of some stoppages (e.g. those involving a large number of establishments) may be estimated and the statistics therefore should be regarded as giving a broad measure of the extent of stoppages of work (as defined).

4. Stoppages of work occurring at different times and at different establishments but due to the same cause may be regarded as one industrial dispute. However, an industrial dispute occurring in more than one State is counted as a separate dispute in each State. A dispute involving workers in more than one industry in a State or Territory is counted only once in the number of disputes - in the industry that has the largest number of workers involved; but workers involved, working days lost and estimated loss in wages are allocated to their respective industries. Disputes not settled at the end of a year are included as new disputes in the figures for the following year. The monthly statistics refer to all disputes operative in the month, including those disputes that commenced in previous months. In Table 1 details of the number of disputes and workers involved are shown separately for disputes beginning in the month and for all disputes. Average days lost per worker involved on a monthly basis are not comparable with the yearly averages, because workers involved are included in each month in which they are involved in disputes, while they are counted once only for each dispute in the annual figures. Any discrepancies between totals and sums of components are due to rounding.

5. For statistics of industrial disputes for earlier periods see *Labour Report* No. 58, 1973 (Reference No. 6.7).

TABLE 1. — INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES: AUSTRALIA

Period	Number of disputes		Workers involved ('000)		Working days lost		Estimated loss in wages (a) (\$'000)
	Beginning in month	Total (a)	Beginning in month	Total (a)	Number (a) ('000)	Average days per worker involved (b)	
1969	..	2,014	..	1,285.2	1,958.0	1.5	22,985.7
1970	..	2,738	..	1,367.4	2,393.7	1.8	30,883.3
1971	..	2,404	..	1,326.5	3,068.6	2.3	45,241.3
1972	..	2,298	..	1,113.8	2,010.3	1.8	32,074.4
1973	..	2,538	..	803.0	2,634.7	3.3	45,206.5
1974	..	2,809	..	2,004.8	6,292.5	3.1	128,301.8
1974 —							
August	232	299	227.5	314.1	816.3	2.6	18,124.7
September	237	268	176.5	189.5	255.1	1.3	6,371.9
October	226	245	145.9	179.5	238.6	1.3	5,792.7
November	196	216	72.7	75.4	161.8	2.1	3,734.2
December	126	139	60.0	63.4	80.5	1.3	2,449.5
1975							
January	158	158	29.9	29.9	36.9	1.2	953.6
February	237	252	65.1	67.7	116.7	1.7	2,999.0
March	182	211	70.7	81.7	169.1	2.1	4,621.8
April	246	256	288.7	290.9	416.3	1.4	11,144.7
May	283	330	144.3	366.0	504.6	1.4	13,719.6
June	174	239	147.9	413.2	635.3	1.5	17,157.5
July (c)	316	340	129.0	380.0	557.6	1.5	15,521.5
August (c)	209	269	44.5	74.9	292.8	3.9	8,218.9

(a) Refers to all disputes operative and workers involved in the period — see paragraph 4, page 1. (b) Monthly figures are not comparable with yearly figures — see paragraph 4, page 1. (c) Subject to revision.

TABLE 2. — INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES: INDUSTRIES (a), AUSTRALIA
WORKING DAYS LOST ('000) (b)

Period	Manufacturing								Other industries	All industries
	Mining		Metal products, machinery and equipment (c)		Other	Transport and storage, communication		Other		
	Coal	Other	Construction	Stevedoring services						
1969	76.1	76.9	643.6	267.1	264.4	136.2	286.4	207.3	1,958.0	
1970	178.4	76.5	625.9	440.9	618.3	148.3	156.7	148.8	2,393.7	
1971	251.6	83.2	636.7	317.7	1,109.5	73.9	300.1	295.9	3,068.6	
1972	60.8	62.0	620.2	393.7	407.8	39.2	205.2	221.3	2,010.3	
1973	87.5	155.3	800.8	661.4	439.3	49.5	93.2	347.6	2,634.7	
1974	163.0	146.5	2,850.8	756.7	1,188.7	111.1	516.2	559.4	6,292.5	
1974 —										
August	7.5	14.0	138.9	208.3	81.9	3.1	306.8	55.7	816.3	
September	3.2	23.1	30.2	50.1	47.0	6.8	10.6	84.2	255.1	
October	4.6	18.9	41.7	48.4	68.7	7.1	13.2	36.0	238.6	
November	31.3	11.3	25.5	15.7	12.7	7.5	21.8	35.9	161.8	
December	7.7	6.9	2.5	3.9	29.5	1.5	15.5	13.0	80.5	
1975 —										
January	2.2	4.0	6.2	7.1	2.9	4.7	1.6	8.2	36.9	
February	5.0	5.2	26.3	24.0	23.9	2.3	2.2	27.8	116.7	
March	8.1	1.3	40.0	22.3	50.4	2.0	7.8	37.2	169.1	
April	10.9	7.3	116.4	24.4	45.1	3.6	13.5	195.1	416.3	
May	36.8	7.6	177.2	78.1	65.8	6.3	7.2	125.4	504.6	
June	45.8	12.2	387.2	44.4	71.3	2.5	11.4	60.5	635.3	
July (d)	100.3	11.5	196.4	51.3	124.2	2.5	26.7	44.7	557.6	
August (d)	55.5	15.0	77.5	61.1	46.2	2.1	4.6	30.7	292.8	

(a) Australian Standard Industrial Classification — see paragraph 2, page 1. (b) Refers to all disputes operative in the period — see paragraph 4, page 1. (c) Includes ASIC sub-divisions 29, 31, 32, 33. (d) Subject to revision.

TABLE 3. - INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES
WORKING DAYS LOST ('000) (a)

<i>Period</i>	<i>N.S.W.</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>S.A.</i>	<i>W.A.</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>Aust. (b)</i>
1969	743.8	717.2	238.6	129.0	101.4	9.9	1,958.0
1970	1,393.6	510.8	179.2	93.1	141.1	32.2	2,393.7
1971	1,887.5	689.6	271.4	111.2	69.4	20.6	3,068.6
1972	866.8	638.4	292.2	60.9	94.6	19.2	2,010.3
1973	1,098.1	780.5	320.2	130.6	117.3	140.1	2,634.7
1974	2,665.0	2,386.6	529.5	316.5	256.9	88.5	6,292.5
1973 -							
January	32.8	11.2	4.1	2.6	7.9	19.1	82.1
February	87.0	86.6	16.7	14.7	7.7	33.5	248.4
March	110.0	47.4	18.8	15.2	10.2	28.5	231.7
April	42.9	92.8	18.2	5.7	11.7	9.5	192.0
May	125.6	94.2	56.2	7.9	7.2	12.4	304.3
June	158.5	91.1	75.6	3.0	8.7	18.8	363.7
July	90.8	102.0	17.1	4.2	9.2	1.6	225.0
August	113.0	33.7	42.8	7.1	15.7	2.5	218.6
September	91.2	83.2	25.1	6.8	4.3	0.2	215.9
October	110.3	87.3	14.9	15.3	12.9	1.8	245.2
November	125.2	44.6	27.4	23.3	21.0	8.5	257.9
December	10.8	6.5	3.4	24.7	0.8	3.6	49.8
1974 -							
January	30.9	7.5	6.4	1.3	5.9	0.2	53.6
February	253.4	125.7	13.2	16.1	5.0	1.1	418.1
March	1,063.1	728.0	45.8	99.1	8.6	54.1	2,011.3
April	351.4	454.8	67.2	37.2	16.8	5.2	936.1
May	252.0	189.1	44.3	52.2	11.4	4.4	559.6
June	108.7	94.4	7.3	7.4	12.1	3.0	235.1
July	117.3	214.7	136.2	37.8	11.8	4.6	526.2
August	215.0	400.2	127.7	34.6	28.9	1.5	816.3
September	116.7	73.9	25.2	18.4	17.7	1.4	255.1
October	46.3	49.2	19.7	6.3	105.5	11.3	238.6
November	69.0	31.5	27.2	5.2	25.3	1.4	161.8
December	41.3	17.6	9.4	1.0	7.9	0.1	80.5
1975 -							
January	15.1	7.5	7.1	3.1	4.0	0.1	36.9
February	54.5	15.8	32.6	4.3	6.0	0.4	116.7
March	119.6	18.9	24.0	2.6	1.6	0.5	169.1
April	281.6	91.4	16.2	5.2	9.7	1.9	416.3
May	218.7	215.7	31.5	10.9	15.7	2.2	504.6
June	280.2	217.3	65.8	24.9	14.4	8.3	635.3
July (c)	210.9	208.6	80.0	26.7	10.4	12.0	557.6
August (c)	91.6	109.8	57.2	14.4	8.1	8.1	292.8

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INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES, SEPTEMBER 1975

MAIN FEATURES

- In September 1975 there were 219 industrial disputes involving 78,600 employees and resulting in a loss of 264,900 working days.
- The main disputes in September involved coal miners in N.S.W. and Queensland, and railway employees in Victoria.
- In the September quarter there were 1,115,200 working days lost compared with 1,597,600 in September quarter 1974 and 659,400 in September quarter 1973.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

This bulletin contains statistics of industrial disputes for the month of September 1975 and some previous periods. More information about these disputes will appear later in the detailed quarterly bulletin *Industrial Disputes* (Reference No. 6.6).

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5. For statistics of industrial disputes for earlier periods see *Labour Report* No. 58, 1973 (Reference No. 6.7).

TABLE 1. - INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES: AUSTRALIA

Period	Number of disputes		Workers involved ('000)		Working days lost		Estimated loss in wages (a) (\$'000)
	Beginning in month	Total (a)	Beginning in month	Total (a)	Number (a) ('000)	Average days per worker involved (b)	
1969	..	2,014	..	1,285.2	1,958.0	1.5	22,985.7
1970	..	2,738	..	1,367.4	2,393.7	1.8	30,883.3
1971	..	2,404	..	1,326.5	3,068.6	2.3	45,241.3
1972	..	2,298	..	1,113.8	2,010.3	1.8	32,074.4
1973	..	2,538	..	803.0	2,634.7	3.3	45,306.5
1974	..	2,809	..	2,004.8	6,292.5	3.1	128,301.8
1974 -							
September	237	268	176.5	189.5	255.1	1.3	6,371.9
October	226	245	145.9	179.5	238.6	1.3	5,792.7
November	196	216	72.7	75.4	161.8	2.1	3,734.2
December	126	139	60.0	63.4	80.5	1.3	2,449.5
1975 -							
January	158	158	29.9	29.9	36.9	1.2	953.6
February	237	252	65.1	67.7	116.7	1.7	2,999.0
March	182	211	70.7	81.7	169.1	2.1	4,621.8
April	246	256	288.7	290.9	416.3	1.4	11,144.7
May	283	330	144.3	366.0	504.6	1.4	13,719.6
June	174	239	147.9	413.2	635.3	1.5	17,157.5
July (c)	316	340	129.0	380.0	557.6	1.5	15,521.5
August (c)	209	269	44.5	74.9	292.8	3.9	8,218.9
September (c)	176	219	55.2	78.6	264.9	3.4	7,566.8

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TABLE 2. - INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES: INDUSTRIES (a), AUSTRALIA
WORKING DAYS LOST ('000) (b)

Period	Manufacturing				Construction	Transport and storage; communication			All industries
	Mining		Metal products, machinery and equipment (c)	Other		Stevedoring services	Other	Other industries	
	Coal	Other							
1969	76.1	76.9	643.6	267.1	264.4	136.2	286.4	207.3	1,958.0
1970	178.4	76.5	625.9	440.9	618.3	148.3	156.7	148.8	2,393.7
1971	251.6	83.2	636.7	317.7	1,109.5	73.9	300.1	295.9	3,068.6
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1973	87.5	155.3	800.8	661.4	439.3	49.5	93.2	347.6	2,634.7
1974	163.0	146.5	2,850.8	756.7	1,188.7	111.1	516.2	559.4	6,292.5
1974 -									
September	3.2	23.1	30.2	50.1	47.0	6.8	10.6	84.2	255.1
October	4.6	18.9	41.7	48.4	68.7	7.1	13.2	36.0	238.6
November	31.3	11.3	25.5	15.7	12.7	7.5	21.8	35.9	161.8
December	7.7	6.9	2.5	3.9	29.5	1.5	15.5	13.0	80.5
1975 -									
January	2.2	4.0	6.2	7.1	2.9	4.7	1.6	8.2	36.9
February	5.0	5.2	26.3	24.0	23.9	2.3	2.2	27.8	116.7
March	8.1	1.3	40.0	22.3	50.4	2.0	7.8	37.2	169.1
April	10.9	7.3	116.4	24.4	45.1	3.6	13.5	195.1	416.3
May	36.8	7.6	177.2	78.1	65.8	6.3	7.2	125.4	504.6
June	45.8	12.2	387.2	44.4	71.3	2.5	11.4	60.5	635.3
July (d)	100.3	11.5	196.4	51.3	124.2	2.5	26.7	44.7	557.6
August (d)	55.5	15.0	77.5	61.1	46.2	2.1	4.6	30.7	292.8
September (d)	72.0	9.9	83.5	23.8	14.7	1.7	27.0	32.2	264.9

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TABLE 3. - INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES
WORKING DAYS LOST ('000) (a)

Period	N. S. W.	Vic.	Qld	S. A.	W. A.	Tas.	Aust. (b)
1969	743.8	717.2	238.6	129.0	101.4	9.9	1,958.0
1970	1,393.6	510.8	179.2	93.1	141.1	32.2	2,393.7
1971	1,887.5	689.6	271.4	111.2	69.4	20.6	3,068.6
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February	87.0	86.6	16.7	14.7	7.7	33.5	248.4
March	110.0	47.4	18.8	15.2	10.2	28.5	231.7
April	42.9	92.8	18.2	5.7	11.7	9.5	192.0
May	125.6	94.2	56.2	7.9	7.2	12.4	304.3
June	158.5	91.1	75.6	3.0	8.7	18.8	363.7
July	90.8	102.0	17.1	4.2	9.2	1.6	225.0
August	113.0	33.7	42.8	7.1	15.7	2.5	218.6
September	91.2	83.2	25.1	6.8	4.3	0.2	215.9
October	110.3	87.3	14.9	15.3	12.9	1.8	245.2
November	125.2	44.6	27.4	23.3	21.0	8.5	257.9
December	10.8	6.5	3.4	24.7	0.8	3.6	49.8
1974 -							
January	30.9	7.5	6.4	1.3	5.9	0.2	53.6
February	253.4	125.7	13.2	16.1	5.0	1.1	418.1
March	1,063.1	728.0	45.8	99.1	8.6	54.1	2,011.3
April	351.4	454.8	67.2	37.2	16.8	5.2	936.1
May	252.0	189.1	44.3	52.2	11.4	4.4	559.6
June	108.7	94.4	7.3	7.4	12.1	3.0	235.1
July	117.3	214.7	136.2	37.8	11.8	4.6	526.2
August	215.0	400.2	127.7	34.6	28.9	1.5	816.3
September	116.7	73.9	25.2	18.4	17.7	1.4	255.1
October	46.3	49.2	19.7	6.3	105.5	11.3	238.6
November	69.0	31.5	27.2	5.2	25.3	1.4	161.8
December	41.3	17.6	9.4	1.0	7.9	0.1	80.5
1975 -							
January	15.1	7.5	7.1	3.1	4.0	0.1	36.9
February	54.5	15.8	32.6	4.3	6.0	0.4	116.7
March	119.6	18.9	24.0	2.6	1.6	0.5	169.1
April	281.6	91.4	16.2	5.2	9.7	1.9	416.3
May	218.7	215.7	31.5	10.9	15.7	2.2	504.6
June	280.2	217.3	65.8	24.9	14.4	8.3	635.3
July (c)	210.9	208.6	80.0	26.7	10.4	12.0	557.6
August (c)	91.6	109.8	57.2	14.4	8.1	8.1	292.8
September (c)	86.5	90.6	66.4	9.3	6.9	2.1	264.9

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INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES, OCTOBER 1975

MAIN FEATURES

- The October 1975 industrial dispute statistics show
 - 238 disputes
 - 115,600 workers involved
 - 206,100 working days lost
- The main disputes during the month involved
 - the base metal industry in N.S.W. and Victoria
 - supermarkets in Victoria
 - motor vehicle industry in S.A.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

This bulletin contains statistics of industrial disputes for the month of October 1975 and some previous periods. More information about these disputes will appear later in the detailed quarterly bulletin *Industrial Disputes* (Reference No. 6.6).

2. The statistics of industrial disputes are compiled according to the Australian Standard Industrial Classification (ASIC), described in the Bureau publication *Australian Standard Industrial Classification (Preliminary Edition)*, 1969, Vol. 1. Statistics on this basis are published in *Labour Report* No. 58, 1973 (Reference No. 6.7).

3. The statistics of industrial disputes refer only to disputes involving stoppages of work of ten man-days or more. Workers involved include workers directly and indirectly involved in disputes. Workers indirectly involved are employees thrown out of work at the establishments where the stoppages occurred, but not

themselves parties to the dispute. Particulars of some stoppages (e.g. those involving a large number of establishments) may be estimated and the statistics therefore should be regarded as giving a broad measure of the extent of stoppages of work (as defined).

4. Stoppages of work occurring at different times and at different establishments, but due to the same cause may be regarded as one industrial dispute. However, an industrial dispute occurring in more than one State is counted as a separate dispute in each State. A dispute involving workers in more than one industry in a State or Territory is counted only once in the number of disputes - in the industry that has the largest number of workers involved; but workers involved, working days lost and estimated loss in wages are allocated to their respective industries. Disputes not settled at the end of a year are included as new disputes in the figures for the following year. The monthly statistics refer to all disputes operative in the month, including those disputes that commenced in previous months. In Table 1 details of the number of disputes and workers involved are shown separately for disputes beginning in the month and for all disputes. Average days lost per worker involved on a monthly basis are not comparable with the yearly averages, because workers involved are included in each month in which they are involved in disputes, while they are counted once only for each dispute in the annual figures. Any discrepancies between totals and sums of components are due to rounding.

5. For statistics of industrial disputes for earlier periods see *Labour Report* No. 58, 1973 (Reference No. 6.7).

TABLE 1. - INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES: AUSTRALIA

Period	Number of disputes		Workers involved ('000)		Working days lost		Estimated loss in wages (a) (\$'000)
	Beginning in month	Total (a)	Beginning in month	Total (a)	Number (a) ('000)	Average days per worker involved (b)	
1969	..	2,014	..	1,285.2	1,958.0	1.5	22,985.7
1970	..	2,738	..	1,367.4	2,393.7	1.8	30,883.3
1971	..	2,404	..	1,326.5	3,068.6	2.3	45,241.3
1972	..	2,298	..	1,113.8	2,010.3	1.8	32,074.4
1973	..	2,538	..	803.0	2,634.7	3.3	45,206.5
1974	..	2,809	..	2,004.8	6,292.5	3.1	128,301.8
1974 -							
October	226	245	145.9	179.5	238.6	1.3	5,792.7
November	196	216	72.7	75.4	161.8	2.1	3,734.2
December	126	139	60.0	63.4	80.5	1.3	2,449.5
1975 -							
January	158	158	29.9	29.9	36.9	1.2	953.6
February	237	252	65.1	67.7	116.7	1.7	2,999.0
March	182	211	70.7	81.7	169.1	2.1	4,621.8
April	246	256	288.7	290.9	416.3	1.4	11,144.7
May	283	330	144.3	366.0	504.6	1.4	13,719.6
June	174	239	147.9	413.2	635.3	1.5	17,157.5
July	316	340	129.0	380.0	557.6	1.5	15,521.5
August	209	269	44.5	74.9	292.8	3.9	8,218.9
September	176	219	55.2	78.6	264.9	3.4	7,566.8
October (c)	212	238	98.3	115.6	206.1	1.4	5,477.3

(a) Refers to all disputes operative and workers involved in the period - see paragraph 4, page 1. (b) Monthly figures are not comparable with yearly figures - see paragraph 4, page 1. (c) Subject to revision.

TABLE 2. - INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES: INDUSTRIES (a), AUSTRALIA
WORKING DAYS LOST ('000) (b)

Period	Manufacturing				Transport and storage; communication			Other industries	All industries
	Mining		Metal products, machinery and equipment (c)	Other	Construction	Stevedoring services	Other		
	Coal	Other							
1969	76.1	76.9	643.6	267.1	264.4	136.2	286.4	207.3	1,958.0
1970	178.4	76.5	625.9	440.9	618.3	148.3	156.7	148.8	2,393.7
1971	251.6	83.2	636.7	317.7	1,109.5	73.9	300.1	295.9	3,068.6
1972	60.8	62.0	620.2	393.7	407.8	39.2	205.2	221.3	2,010.3
1973	87.5	155.3	800.8	661.4	439.3	49.5	93.2	347.6	2,634.7
1974	163.0	146.5	2,850.8	756.7	1,188.7	111.1	516.2	559.4	6,292.5
1974 -									
October	4.6	18.9	41.7	48.4	68.7	7.1	13.2	36.0	238.6
November	31.3	11.3	25.5	15.7	12.7	7.5	21.8	35.9	161.8
December	7.7	6.9	2.5	3.9	29.5	1.5	15.5	13.0	80.5
1975 -									
January	2.2	4.0	6.2	7.1	2.9	4.7	1.6	8.2	36.9
February	5.0	5.2	26.3	24.0	23.9	2.3	2.2	27.8	116.7
March	8.1	1.3	40.0	22.3	50.4	2.0	7.8	37.2	169.1
April	10.9	7.3	116.4	24.4	45.1	3.6	13.5	195.1	416.3
May	36.8	7.6	177.2	78.1	65.8	6.3	7.2	125.4	504.6
June	45.8	12.2	387.2	44.4	71.3	2.5	11.4	60.5	635.3
July	100.3	11.5	196.4	51.3	124.2	2.5	26.7	44.7	557.6
August	55.5	15.0	77.5	61.1	46.2	2.1	4.6	30.7	292.8
September	72.0	9.9	83.5	23.8	14.7	1.7	27.0	32.2	264.9
October (d)	2.2	4.9	83.5	44.9	16.9	6.3	11.9	35.5	206.1

(a) Australian Standard Industrial Classification - see paragraph 2, page 1. (b) Refers to all disputes operative in the period - see paragraph 4, page 1. (c) Includes ASIC sub-divisions 29, 31, 32, 33. (d) Subject to revision.

**TABLE 3. — INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES
WORKING DAYS LOST ('000) (a)**

<i>Period</i>	<i>N.S.W.</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>S.A.</i>	<i>W.A.</i>	<i>Tot.</i>	<i>Aust. (b)</i>
1969	743.8	717.2	238.6	129.0	101.4	9.9	1,958.0
1970	1,393.6	510.8	179.2	93.1	141.1	32.2	2,393.7
1971	1,887.5	689.6	271.4	111.2	69.4	20.6	3,068.6
1972	866.8	638.4	292.2	60.9	94.6	19.2	2,010.3
1973	1,098.1	780.5	320.2	130.6	117.3	140.1	2,634.7
1974	2,665.0	2,386.6	529.5	316.5	256.9	88.5	6,292.5
1973 —							
January	32.8	11.2	4.1	2.6	7.9	19.1	82.1
February	87.0	86.6	16.7	14.7	7.7	33.5	248.4
March	110.0	47.4	18.8	15.2	10.2	28.5	231.7
April	42.9	92.8	18.2	5.7	11.7	9.5	192.0
May	125.6	94.2	56.2	7.9	7.2	12.4	304.3
June	158.5	91.1	75.6	3.0	8.7	18.8	363.7
July	90.8	102.0	17.1	4.2	9.2	1.6	225.0
August	113.0	33.7	42.8	7.1	15.7	2.5	218.6
September	91.2	83.2	25.1	6.8	4.3	0.2	215.9
October	110.3	87.3	14.9	15.3	12.9	1.8	245.2
November	125.2	44.6	27.4	23.3	21.0	8.5	257.9
December	10.8	6.5	3.4	24.7	0.8	3.6	49.8
1974 —							
January	30.9	7.5	6.4	1.3	5.9	0.2	53.6
February	253.4	125.7	13.2	16.1	5.0	1.1	418.1
March	1,063.1	728.0	45.8	99.1	8.6	54.1	2,011.3
April	351.4	454.8	67.2	37.2	16.8	5.2	936.1
May	252.0	189.1	44.3	52.2	11.4	4.4	559.6
June	108.7	94.4	7.3	7.4	12.1	3.0	235.1
July	117.3	214.7	136.2	37.8	11.8	4.6	526.2
August	215.0	400.2	127.7	34.6	28.9	1.5	816.3
September	116.7	73.9	25.2	18.4	17.7	1.4	255.1
October	46.3	49.2	19.7	6.3	105.5	11.3	238.6
November	69.0	31.5	27.2	5.2	25.3	1.4	161.8
December	41.3	17.6	9.4	1.0	7.9	0.1	80.5
1975 —							
January	15.1	7.5	7.1	3.1	4.0	0.1	36.9
February	54.5	15.8	32.6	4.3	6.0	0.4	116.7
March	119.6	18.9	24.0	2.6	1.6	0.5	169.1
April	281.6	91.4	16.2	5.2	9.7	1.9	416.3
May	218.7	215.7	31.5	10.9	15.7	2.2	504.6
June	280.2	217.3	65.8	24.9	14.4	8.3	635.3
July	210.9	208.6	80.0	26.7	10.4	12.0	557.6
August	91.6	109.8	57.2	14.4	8.1	8.1	292.8
September	86.5	90.6	66.4	9.3	6.9	2.1	264.9
October (c)	67.7	75.2	35.6	16.9	7.1	2.7	206.1

(a) Refers to all disputes operative in the period — see paragraph 4, page 1. (b) Includes the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory. (c) Subject to revision.

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