

REGISTRATIONS OF NEW MOTOR VEHICLES : AUSTRALIA, MAY 1971
PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

Reference No. 14.6

This preliminary statement contains figures of registrations of new motor vehicles, and trailers and caravans. All vehicles are classified according to information as recorded on registration documents. The figures include diplomatic and consular vehicles and all Commonwealth-owned vehicles other than those belonging to the defence services.

2. In these statistics "registrations" mean registrations processed by the motor vehicle registration authorities in the States and Territories during the period. Occasionally, in some States, registrations of new motor vehicles are not recorded in the statistics until some time after registration.

3. Original and seasonally adjusted registrations of new motor vehicles are shown in Table 1. In the seasonal adjustment, account has been taken not only of normal seasonal factors but additionally of "trading-day" effects (arising from the varying number of Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays, etc., in the month) and the influence of Easter which may, in successive years, affect figures for different months. The two component series "Motor cars and station wagons" and "Other vehicles" are each adjusted separately and the adjusted figures for "Total" registrations are obtained by adding together the two component series. Details of the methods used in seasonally adjusting the component series will be given in the forthcoming issue of "Seasonally Adjusted Indicators, 1971" (Reference No. 1.10).

4. Particulars of registrations of new tractors, plant, equipment, etc., trailers and caravans are shown in Table 5. It should be noted that many tractors, mainly agricultural types, and items of plant, equipment, etc., are not registered and, therefore, are not included in the statistics. Also, registration of certain trailers is not compulsory in Victoria.

5. The following symbols, where shown in tables, mean :

p - Preliminary: r - Revised: .. - nil or not applicable.

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

		Motor cars and station wagons		Other vehicles (c)		Total (c)	
		Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.
1970p -	April ..	37,809	34,547	8,627	8,220	46,436	42,767
	May ..	32,378	30,225	7,243	6,941	39,621	37,166
	June ..	33,432	33,589	7,571	7,379	41,003	40,968
	July ..	37,031	34,822	8,303	7,328	45,334	42,150
	August ..	34,233	35,343	7,130	7,069	41,363	42,412
	September ..	33,656	34,258	7,458	7,079	41,114	41,337
	October ..	35,255	34,307	7,799	7,304	43,054	41,611
	November ..	34,375	34,664	7,257	7,052	41,632	41,716
	December ..	37,748	35,770	7,326	7,612	45,074	43,382
1971p -	January ..	32,305	37,590	6,402	8,177	38,707	45,767
	February ..	29,913	33,804	6,470	7,386	36,383	41,190
	March ..	35,699	33,207	8,048	7,339	43,747	40,546
	April ..	32,151	31,400	6,875	7,413	39,024	38,815
	May ..	34,563	32,671	7,726	7,416	42,289	40,087

(a) See paragraph 2, above. (b) See paragraph 3, above. (c) Excludes motor cycles, tractors, plant, equipment, etc.

TABLE 2. - REGISTRATIONS(a) OF NEW MOTOR VEHICLES : STATES AND TERRITORIES

		N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aust.
Year 1969	..	181,797	126,957	61,591	45,599	48,823	13,636	3,254	6,501	488,158
1970p	..	188,997	132,032	61,963	45,447	48,351	14,119	3,308	7,381	501,598
1970p - April	..	17,946	12,635	5,578	3,802	4,318	1,279	305	573	46,436
May	..	15,072	10,795	4,844	3,232	3,738	1,148	237	555	39,621
June	..	15,424	11,081	4,902	3,694	3,846	1,131	337	588	41,003
July	..	17,540	11,907	5,607	3,903	4,207	1,305	268	597	45,334
August	..	15,773	11,050	5,114	3,516	3,955	1,061	253	641	41,363
September	..	15,460	10,437	5,413	3,741	3,911	1,211	328	613	41,114
October	..	16,358	11,403	5,178	3,832	4,160	1,258	259	606	43,054
November	..	15,847	10,300	5,114	3,997	3,936	1,318	272	848	41,632
December	..	16,015	12,062	5,476	4,408	4,691	1,397	335	690	45,074
1971p - January	..	15,015	9,353	5,556	3,113	3,837	894	342	597	38,707
February	..	13,504	9,511	5,360	2,891	3,348	966	206	597	36,383
March	..	17,151	10,901	5,501	3,876	3,996	1,253	314	755	43,747
April	..	14,909	10,370	4,443	3,278	3,955	1,127	329	613	39,024
May	..	16,423	10,373	5,479	3,563	4,253	1,254	353	586	42,289

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

TABLE 3. - REGISTRATIONS(a) OF NEW MOTOR VEHICLES, BY TYPE OF VEHICLE : AUSTRALIA

		Motor cars	Station wagons	Ambulances and hearses	Utilities	Panel vans	Trucks	Other truck-types	Omni-buses	Total (excl. motor cycles)	Motor cycles
Year 1969	..	343,275	57,604	355	36,510	17,279	29,687	1,407	2,041	488,158	25,386
1970p	..	358,181	54,880	426	35,881	19,275	29,476	1,289	2,190	501,598	32,701
1970p - April	..	32,519	5,290	32	3,586	1,770	2,947	111	181	46,436	2,573
May	..	28,094	4,284	40	2,850	1,587	2,506	111	149	39,621	2,145
June	..	28,763	4,669	50	3,106	1,727	2,398	114	176	41,003	2,081
July	..	31,628	5,403	33	3,333	1,896	2,691	141	209	45,334	2,592
Aug.	..	29,821	4,412	52	2,821	1,608	2,365	98	186	41,363	2,499
Sept.	..	29,580	4,076	35	2,909	1,670	2,503	136	205	41,114	2,911
Oct.	..	30,841	4,414	43	3,134	1,697	2,603	128	194	43,054	3,289
Nov.	..	29,988	4,387	40	2,920	1,581	2,453	88	175	41,632	3,269
Dec.	..	32,729	5,019	41	3,047	1,661	2,265	111	201	45,074	3,360
1971p - Jan.	..	28,004	4,301	33	2,890	1,349	1,912	84	134	38,707	3,577
Feb.	..	26,111	3,802	34	2,544	1,568	2,043	84	197	36,383	3,774
March	..	31,035	4,664	33	3,123	2,051	2,521	93	227	43,747	4,551
April	..	27,859	4,292	37	2,725	1,680	2,125	114	192	39,024	3,811
May	..	29,737	4,826	54	3,225	1,924	2,217	115	191	42,289	3,484

(a) See paragraph 2, page 1.

TABLE 4. - REGISTRATIONS(a) OF NEW MOTOR VEHICLES, BY TYPE OF VEHICLE : STATES
AND TERRITORIES, MAY 1971r

Type of vehicle (b)	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia	
									Capital cities (c)	Total
Motor cars	.. 11,786	7,531	3,468	2,728	2,744	908	137	435	19,843	29,737
Station wagons	.. 1,732	1,225	667	365	577	111	76	73	3,356	4,826
Ambulances and hearses	.. 11	13	12	6	6	5	1	..	15	54
Utilities	.. 1,155	643	583	170	438	118	93	25	1,475	3,225
Panel vans	.. 924	367	185	127	231	49	14	27	1,426	1,924
Trucks	.. 680	498 (d)	553	138	243	56	31	18	1,216 (d)	2,217
Other truck-types	.. 47	52 (d)	2	8	3	1	..	2	91 (d)	115
Omnibuses	.. 68	44	9	21	16	6	1	6	137	191
Capital cities (c)	10,623	7,594	2,333	2,617	3,197	609	..	586	27,559	27,559
Other areas	.. 5,800	2,779	3,146	946	1,061	645	353	..	..	14,730
TOTAL (e)	16,423	10,373	5,479	3,563	4,258	1,254	353	586	27,559	42,289
Motor cycles	.. 1,540	667	599	290	213	44	84	47	1,702	3,484

For footnotes (a), (b) and (c) see Table 5. (d) I Queen land, "Other Truck-type" vehicles are generally included with trucks. (e) Excludes motor cycles.

TABLE 5. - REGISTRATIONS(a) OF NEW TRACTORS, PLANT, EQUIPMENT, ETC.,
TRAILERS AND CARAVANS : STATES AND TERRITORIES, MAY 1971r

Type of vehicle (b)	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aust.
Tractors	71	156	150	16	26	14	4	9	446
Plant, Equipment, E c.	93	73	42	23	43	5	5	4	288
Trailers	1,105	732	1,015	529	574	238	121	53	4,367
Caravans	428	417	259	108	128	26	19	23	1,408
Capital cities(c)	895	616	568	427	504	103	..	89	3,202
Other areas	802	762	898	249	267	180	149	..	3,307
TOTAL	1,697	1,378	1,466	676	771	283	149	89	6,509

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

TABLE 6. - REGISTRATIONS(a) OF NEW MOTOR VEHICLES, BY TYPE OF VEHICLE :
STATES AND TERRITORIES, FIVE MONTHS ENDED MAY 1971(b) AND 1970

Type of vehicle (b)	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia	
									Capital cities (c)	Total
FIVE MONTHS ENDED MAY 1971p										
Motor cars	56,073	37,344	17,237	12,568	12,539	3,986	672	2,327	95,213	142,746
Station wagons	8,125	5,675	2,993	1,636	2,345	505	273	333	15,144	21,885
Ambulances and hearses	57	34	48	23	20	8	1	..	75	191
Utilities	5,054	2,754	2,605	1,012	2,104	422	411	145	6,778	14,507
Panel Vans	4,033	1,598	832	547	1,060	234	62	206	6,342	8,572
Trucks	3,109	2,711	2,545	772	1,193	290	110	88	5,912	10,818
Other truck-types	186	181	(a) 6	49	48	5	4	11	344	(a) 490
Omnibuses	365	211	73	114	85	44	11	38	566	941
Capital cities(c)	50,237	35,995	12,232	12,110	14,293	2,359	..	3,148	130,374	130,374
Other areas	26,765	14,313	14,107	4,611	5,101	3,135	1,544	..	..	69,776
<u>TOTAL (e)</u>	<u>77,002</u>	<u>50,508</u>	<u>26,339</u>	<u>16,721</u>	<u>19,394</u>	<u>5,494</u>	<u>1,544</u>	<u>3,148</u>	<u>130,374</u>	<u>200,150</u>
Motor cycles	8,212	4,190	2,734	1,725	1,253	329	368	386	9,624	19,197
FIVE MONTHS ENDED MAY 1970										
<u>TOTAL (e)</u>	<u>76,580</u>	<u>53,792</u>	<u>25,159</u>	<u>18,356</u>	<u>19,645</u>	<u>5,431</u>	<u>1,256</u>	<u>2,798</u>	<u>130,724</u>	<u>203,024</u>

For footnotes (a), (b) and (c) see Table 5. For footnote (d), see Table 4.
 (e) Excludes motor cycles.

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