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REGISTRATIONS OF NEW MOTOR VEHICLES : AUSTRALIA, DECEMBER 1970PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

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

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

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. Each of the component series has been seasonally adjusted independently. Seasonally adjusted figures for "Total Registrations" are obtained aggregatively, that is by addition of the two adjusted component series. Details of the methods used in seasonally adjusting the component series are shown in "Seasonally Adjusted Indicators 1970" (Reference No. 1.10) issued on 29 June 1970.

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

Month	Motor cars and station wagons		Other vehicles (c)		Total (c)	
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.
1969 November ..	33,548	33,872	7,441	7,299	40,989	41,171
December ..	34,321	33,414	7,100	7,336	41,421	40,752
1970 January ..	29,722	35,226	5,853	7,633	35,575	42,859
February ..	34,331	37,216	6,996	7,846	41,327	45,062
March ..	31,091	32,443	6,974	7,511	40,065	41,154
April ..	37,609	34,871	8,627	8,391	46,436	43,262
May ..	32,378	30,317	7,243	6,949	39,621	37,266
June ..	33,432	33,100	7,571	7,353	41,003	41,233
July ..	37,031	34,882	8,303	7,311	45,334	42,193
August ..	34,233	35,858	7,130	7,060	41,363	42,918
September ..	33,656	33,520	7,458	7,009	41,114	40,529
October ..	35,000	33,630	7,721	7,253	42,721	40,883
November ..	34,375	34,405	7,257	6,879	41,632	41,284
December p ..	37,105	35,259	7,212	7,416	44,317	42,675

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

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

Month	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aust.
Year 1969 ..	181,797	126,957	61,591	45,599	48,823	13,636	3,254	6,501	488,158
1970 p ..	188,997	132,034	61,963	45,437	47,269	14,119	3,308	7,381	500,508
1969 November..	14,947	10,811	5,166	3,813	4,072	1,255	325	600	40,989
December..	15,650	10,112	5,084	4,090	4,375	1,261	263	586	41,421
1970 January ..	12,915	9,164	4,604	3,426	3,821	935	239	471	35,575
February..	14,929	11,374	5,130	4,076	3,956	1,033	251	576	41,327
March ..	15,718	9,824	5,003	3,820	3,812	1,043	224	621	40,065
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	3,840	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	3,827	1,258	259	606	42,721
November..	15,847	10,300	5,114	3,997	3,936	1,318	272	648	41,632
December p	16,015	12,064	5,476	4,398	3,942	1,397	335	690	44,317

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

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

Month	Motor cars	Station wagons	Ambulances and hearses	Utilities	Panel vans	Trucks	Other truck-types	Omnibuses	Total	Motor cycles
Year 1969 ..	343,275	57,604	355	36,510	17,279	29,687	1,407	2,041	488,158	25,366
1970 p ..	357,419	54,744	425	35,775	19,241	29,444	1,278	2,182	500,508	32,665
1969 November.	29,153	4,395	37	2,881	1,471	2,789	123	140	40,989	2,056
December	29,774	4,547	33	2,815	1,480	2,516	114	142	41,421	2,260
1970 January..	25,819	3,903	18	2,419	1,187	1,994	73	162	35,575	2,367
February	29,738	4,593	20	2,833	1,440	2,426	88	189	41,327	2,818
March ..	28,661	4,430	22	2,923	1,454	2,322	90	163	40,065	2,797
April ..	32,519	5,290	32	3,586	1,772	2,945	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
August ..	29,821	4,412	52	2,821	1,608	2,305	98	186	41,363	2,499
September	29,580	4,076	35	2,909	1,670	2,503	136	205	41,114	2,911
October..	30,626	4,374	43	3,102	1,690	2,579	120	187	42,721	3,268
November	29,986	4,387	40	2,920	1,581	2,453	86	175	41,632	3,269
December p	32,182	4,923	40	2,973	1,629	2,262	108	200	44,317	3,345

(a) See paragraph 2, page 1. p Preliminary.

TABLE 4. - REGISTRATIONS OF NEW MOTOR VEHICLES (a) : DECEMBER 1970^p

Type of vehicle	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia	
									Capital cities (b)	Total
Motor cars ..	11,695	9,088	3,635	3,432	2,626	1,067	133	506	21,239	32,182
Station wagons..	1,778	1,324	689	356	507	112	65	92	3,346	4,923
Ambulances and hearses ..	20	12	2	1	3	2	..	..	14	40
Utilities ..	966	581	500	275	414	103	94	40	1,351	2,973
Panel vans ..	766	334	148	123	158	44	18	38	1,200	1,625
Trucks ..	665	639	490	172	207	58	24	7	1,308	2,262
Other trucks ..	53	35	13	7	..	..	..	..	72	108
Omnibuses ..	72	51	12	26	20	11	1	7	141	200
Capital cities(b)	10,317	8,449	2,710	3,084	2,776	645	..	690	28,671	28,671
Other areas ..	5,698	3,615	2,766	1,314	1,166	752	335	..	..	15,646
<u>TOTAL</u>	16,015	12,064	5,476	4,398	3,942	1,397	335	690	28,671	44,317

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

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