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COMMONWEALTH BUREAU OF CENSUS AND STATISTICS, CANBERRA, AUSTRALIA
PRODUCTION SUMMARY NO. 33 : MOTOR VEHICLES

DECEMBER 1971

These statistics include production of vehicles from both Australian and imported components. The statistics of finished motor vehicles exclude vehicles finished by specialist body building establishments. The statistics of partly finished motor vehicles represent the production of vehicles to which some additional body work (except painting) is to be done by specialist body building establishments. Production figures for Northern Territory are included.

The summary contains seasonally adjusted statistics of total motor vehicles in Table 2, page 4. In the seasonal adjustment, account has been taken not only of normal seasonal factors but also of "trading-day" effects (arising from the varying numbers of Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays, etc. in the month) and the influence of Easter and Australia Day which may, in subsequent years, affect figures for different months. Details of the methods used in seasonally adjusting this and other series are given in "Seasonally Adjusted Indicators, 1971" (Reference No. 1.10) issued on 2 July 1971.

The figures for 1968-69 are those recorded in the Annual Factory Census. All subsequent figures are derived from the recorded monthly production and are subject to revision.

TABLE 1. - FINISHED MOTOR VEHICLES
(Number)

Period	Code No.	Finished cars					Finished station wagons		
		Under 1,400 cc	1,400 cc and under 2,200 cc	2,200 cc and under 4,000 cc	4,000 cc and over	Total	Under 4,000 cc	4,000 cc and over	Total
		581.02	581.04	581.06	581.08		581.10, 12, 14	581.16	
1968-69		49,792	62,128	145,767	30,417	288,104	50,200	3,588	53,788
1969-70		51,220	87,621	162,539	37,753	339,133	50,992	4,006	54,998
1970-71		40,339	69,237	177,552	33,382	320,510	48,955	5,068	54,023
Months : 1970 November		3,837	5,428	17,090	3,763	30,118	5,209	565	5,774
December		3,507	4,338	14,079	3,105	25,029	3,759	452	4,211
1971 January		1,836	2,353	6,517	1,220	11,926	1,869	131	2,000
February		3,296	5,404	14,836	2,984	26,520	4,140	423	4,563
March		3,137	6,255	17,588	3,054	30,034	4,132	512	4,644
April		3,390	5,189	15,761	2,118	26,458	4,120	462	4,582
May		3,338	6,078	15,963	2,531	27,910	4,191	468	4,659
June		2,882	6,198	14,024	2,589	25,693	3,564	397	3,961
July		3,782	6,807	13,430	4,149	30,168	4,585	839	5,424
August		4,913	7,006	17,096	5,191	34,206	4,983	463	5,446
September		4,029	7,844	17,282	4,914	34,069	4,889	716	5,605
October		4,371	5,528	17,455	5,237	32,591	4,883	517	5,400
November		4,598	7,124	17,285	4,393	33,400	4,671	746	5,417
December		3,845	4,847	11,734	3,342	23,768	2,473	325	2,798
6 months ended December 1971		25,538	39,156	96,282	27,226	188,202	26,484	3,606	30,090
6 months ended December 1970		22,460	37,760	92,863	18,886	171,969	26,939	2,675	29,614

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TABLE 2. - PARTLY FINISHED MOTOR VEHICLES

(Number)

Period		Partly finished -							
		Cars, station wagons, panel vans, utilities (a)	Trucks and truck type vehicles (b)						
			Rigid-gross vehicle weight						
			Under 75 cwt	75 cwt and under 100 cwt	100 cwt and under 125 cwt	125 cwt and under 145 cwt	145 cwt and under 175 cwt	175 cwt and under 205 cwt	205 cwt and under 235 cwt
Code No.		581.22,28 582.31,32	282.33, 34	582.35	582.36	582.37	582.38	582.39	582.40
1968-69		1,397	2,975	2,706	2,199	1,660	3,065	1,919	4,102
1969-70		1,663	2,037	2,572	2,272	1,501	3,174	2,498	4,483
1970-71		1,509	1,739	2,058	2,106	1,333	2,484	2,572	3,103
Months :	1970 November	44	158	159	153	122	254	176	276
	December	53	151	124	167	67	234	126	256
	1971 January	39	95	84	100	47	76	96	160
	February	116	90	193	228	76	214	237	242
	March	134	160	189	123	99	226	244	272
	April	143	123	120	172	144	143	324	165
	May	158	114	131	174	158	200	274	213
	June	179	215	148	226	125	189	298	176
	July	228	228	175	144	128	156	279	221
	August	240	141	200	174	181	253	273	194
	September	252	178	204	184	116	258	314	188
	October	200	161	167	228	168	118	2160	176
	November	266	201	105	197	179	151	177	209
	December	199	90	42	194	146	180	105	99
6 months ended	December 1971	1,385	999	893	1,121	918	1,116	1,308	1,087
6 months ended	December 1970	740	942	1,193	1,083	684	1,436	1,099	1,875

(a) Up to and including 115" wheelbase.

(b) Vehicles over 115" wheelbase.

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TABLE 2. - PARTLY FINISHED VEHICLES - continued, and TOTALS

(Number)

Period	Code No.	Partly finished - continued -							TOTAL	
		Trucks and truck type vehicles (a) - continued							FINISHED AND	
		Rigid-gross vehicle weight-continued				Articulated		Total partly finished vehicles- all types	PARTLY FINISHED VEHICLES	
		235 cwt and under 270 cwt	270 cwt and under 360 cwt	360 cwt and over	Total	- gross combination weight	Total partly finished trucks and truck type vehicles		Original	Seas. adj. (b)
		582.41	582.42	582.43		582.44-46				
1968-69		3,230	876	794	23,526	1,642	25,168	26,565	420,946	..
1969-70		3,584	1,134	1,577	24,832	1,892	26,724	28,387	480,818	..
1970-71		3,009	1,246	1,687	21,337	1,648	22,985	24,494	452,523	..
Months :										
1970	November	273	119	144	1,834	143	1,977	2,021	42,422	40,224
	December	244	91	144	1,604	106	1,710	1,763	34,547	40,353
1971	January	110	49	63	880	84	964	1,003	17,102	37,173
	February	272	114	139	1,805	102	1,907	2,023	37,529	37,139
	March	229	99	204	1,845	128	1,973	2,107	42,277	36,092
	April	219	95	133	1,638	101	1,739	1,882	37,942	37,335
	May	296	104	184	1,848	178	2,026	2,184	40,151	36,508
	June	229	107	135	1,848	149	1,997	2,176	36,063	33,563
	July	245	90	108	1,774	150	1,924	2,152	42,007	38,710
	August	279	73	118	1,886	130	2,016	2,256	47,230	45,101
	September	202	110	176	1,930	162	2,092	2,344	47,217	42,100
	October	202	66	71	1,517	95	1,612	1,812	43,529	44,997
	November	213	81	108	1,621	97	1,718	1,984	45,665	42,109
	December	171	66	77	1,170	74	1,244	1,443	33,410	39,510
6 months ended	December 1971	1,312	486	658	9,898	708	10,606	11,991	259,058	..
6 months ended	December 1970	1,654	678	829	11,473	906	12,379	13,119	241,459	..

(a) Vehicles over 115" wheelbase. (b) See note at top of page 1. r - Revised

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NOTE. Inquiries concerning these statistics may be made in Canberra by telephoning 490211 extension 322 or, in each State capital, by telephoning the office of the Deputy Commonwealth Statistician.

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