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PRODUCTION STATISTICS: AUSTRALIA, OCTOBER 1975 (PRELIMINARY)

Preliminary estimates for October 1975 for certain major indicators of production are shown below. Production statistics for October for an extensive range of commodities will be published later in the series of 52 *Monthly Production Summaries* (Reference No. 12.16) and the bulletin *Production Statistics* (Reference No. 12.14).

2. This statement includes seasonally adjusted statistics of several commodities. 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 successive years, affect figures for different months. Details of the methods used in seasonally adjusting these and other series are given in *Seasonally Adjusted Indicators 1975* (Reference No. 1.10) issued in July 1975.

No.	Item	Unit	Year		Months 1974			Months 1975		
			1973-74	1974-75	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.
1.	Pig iron	'000 tonnes	7,506	7,598	596	583	632	675	651	639
2.	Raw steel (a) -									
	Original	" "	7,749	8,063	651	623	748	735	696	589
	Seas. adj.	" "	..	..	626	627	697	717	689	551
3.	Blooms and slabs	" "	6,491	6,215	540	587	601	518	496	397
4.	Tinplate	" "	327	311	30.2	25.9	31.1	24.7	23.1	20.0
5.	Gas (b)	mil. megajoules	172,694	183,019	17,592	16,194	15,336	18,710	17,125	17,127
6.	Electricity -									
	Original	mil. kWh	69,743	73,884	6,917	6,353	6,205	6,776	6,272	6,114
	Seas. adj.	" "	..	..	6,183	6,212	6,160	6,137	6,031	6,059
7.	Bricks, clay -									
	Original	million	2,053	1,713	167	162	155	149	158	163
	Seas. adj.	" "	..	..	160	154	143	147	142	152
8.	Cement, Portland -									
	Original	'000 tonnes	5,330	5,086	450	467	485	429	450	443
	Seas. adj.	" "	..	..	431	458	438	413	437	399
9.	Particle board	'000 cu m	426	379	33.8	36.2	36.1	36.2	38.3	46.1
10.	Plastics and synthetic resins (c)	tonne	304,184	280,819	27,334	29,583	25,169	23,178	21,241	24,090
11.	Floor coverings	'000 sq m	42,297	31,496	2,809	2,839	2,931	3,548	3,715	3,966
	Acid -									
12.	Sulphuric -									
	Original	'000 tonnes	2,428	1,770	160	210	208	73	72	73
	Seas. adj.	" "	..	..	170	212	190	79	70	66
13.	Nitric	" "	183	174	17.0	12.7	17.5	12.0	15.2	7.9
14.	Refrigerators, domestic -									
	Original	'000	271	222	22.9	23.5	24.5	17.7	20.6	23.1
	Seas. adj.	" "	..	..	20.3	21.3	21.3	16.8	18.0	20.1
15.	Clothes washing machines -									
	Domestic	" "	381	315	37.9	36.3	36.8	30.6	34.1	36.2
16.	Radio sets (incl. radiograms)	" "	902	285	43.4	35.6	32.0	19.9	8.5	10.5
17.	Television sets (d) -									
	Original	" "	457	465	46.9	38.5	44.4	15.1	52.8	58.3
	Seas. adj.	" "	..	..	42.0	36.6	38.4	14.8	48.6	49.9