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REGISTRATIONS OF NEW MOTOR VEHICLES, AUSTRALIA : MAY 1968PRELIMINARY 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. All Commonwealth-owned vehicles are included 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. In Queensland, the method of processing registrations for statistical purposes was changed in April 1968. As a result, the statistics from April onwards may differ to a small extent from those which would have been obtained by previous methods.

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 numbers 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. Consequently, while the unadjusted components in the original series will add to the totals, the adjusted components may not add to the adjusted totals. Details of the methods used in seasonally adjusting these and other series are given in "Seasonally Adjusted Indicators, 1968" issued on 21 May 1968.

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.
1967 April ..	25,575	26,800	6,563	6,737	32,538	33,537
May ..	29,144	27,407	7,832	6,579	36,726	33,986
June ..	27,529	27,908	6,758	6,361	34,807	34,510
July ..	27,331	27,876	6,709	6,475	34,096	33,707
August ..	30,210	27,590	7,023	6,502	37,233	34,216
September ..	28,593	29,604	6,343	6,236	34,896	34,973
October ..	31,442	29,997	6,502	6,550	38,324	36,539
November ..	32,476	30,413	7,056	6,279	39,532	36,461
December ..	29,635	30,107	5,410	6,201	35,253	36,488
1968 January ..	25,675	30,136	5,306	6,716	31,041	36,925
February ..	29,703	31,381	5,847	6,533	35,550	37,940
March ..	31,643	31,454	5,453	5,804	37,096	37,245
April p ..	31,700	32,249	5,401	5,603	37,101	37,936
May p ..	30,822	34,821	7,477	6,485	44,299	40,272

(a) See paragraph 2 of explanatory notes. (b) See paragraph 3 of explanatory notes.

(c) Excludes motor cycles, tractors, light equipment, etc. p Preliminary.

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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 1966	..	133,728	101,601	53,221	34,855	35,730	13,010	2,022	4,591	378,748
1967	..	152,006	109,872	53,611	36,123	39,777	13,794	2,537	5,353	413,073
Latest 5 months 1968 p		68,230	47,367	25,945	16,385	18,200	5,468	1,079	2,413	185,037
Same 5 months 1967		60,123	42,694	19,959	14,091	14,809	5,051	846	1,879	159,452
1967 April	..	11,910	9,410	4,130	2,708	2,844	1,034	166	336	32,538
May	..	13,793	10,636	4,479	2,841	3,173	1,142	222	440	36,726
June	..	11,858	9,398	4,700	2,899	3,418	1,288	262	464	34,287
July	..	12,857	8,931	4,584	2,683	3,327	1,081	211	422	34,096
August	..	13,272	10,417	5,008	3,043	3,451	1,275	249	518	37,233
September	..	12,994	9,051	4,515	3,218	3,216	1,205	222	475	34,896
October	..	13,830	10,584	4,834	3,369	3,653	1,283	239	532	38,324
November	..	14,102	10,415	5,445	3,415	4,087	1,216	242	610	39,532
December	..	12,970	8,382	4,566	3,405	3,816	1,395	266	453	35,253
1968 January	..	11,674	7,625	4,894	2,403	3,145	717	189	394	31,041
February	..	12,680	9,590	5,000	3,048	3,622	967	190	453	35,550
March	..	14,001	9,078	5,204	3,441	3,516	1,089	184	583	37,096
April	..	13,832	9,242	5,083	3,421	3,613	1,256	181	473	37,101
May p	..	16,043	11,832	5,764	4,072	4,304	1,439	335	510	44,299

(a) See paragraph 2 of explanatory notes. (b) Excludes motor cycles, tractors, plant, equipment, etc. p Preliminary. r Revised.

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

Month		Motor cars	Station wagons	Ambulances and hearses	Utilities	Panel vans	Trucks	Other truck-types	Omni-buses	Total	Motor cycles
Year 1966	..	245,175	61,513	349	33,154	13,351	22,970	837	1,399	378,748	9,738
1967	..	275,594	59,947	329	34,726	15,546	24,590	871	1,470	413,073	17,306
Latest 5 months 1968p		129,504	26,039	144	12,536	6,249	9,647	319	649	185,087	10,472
Same 5 months 1967		104,816	23,549	128	14,918	5,929	9,275	293	554	159,452	7,056
1967 April	..	21,214	4,761	33	3,088	1,310	1,978	53	101	32,538	1,336
May	..	23,954	5,190	32	3,363	1,587	2,408	64	128	36,726	1,552
June	..	22,793	4,736	19	2,906	1,442	2,178	94	119	34,287	1,130
July	..	22,428	4,903	32	2,936	1,457	2,124	78	138	34,096	1,262
August	..	24,915	5,295	33	3,111	1,450	2,201	71	157	37,233	1,293
September	..	23,508	5,045	25	2,634	1,387	2,085	76	136	34,896	1,373
October	..	25,918	5,524	31	2,856	1,429	2,338	105	123	38,324	1,764
November	..	26,984	5,492	25	2,866	1,345	2,604	89	127	39,532	1,813
December	..	24,232	5,403	36	2,499	1,107	1,785	75	116	35,253	1,625
1968 January	..	21,054	4,621	27	2,507	1,098	1,580	65	89	31,041	1,744
February	..	24,783	4,920	19	2,587	1,167	1,840	52	182	35,550	2,493
March	..	26,364	5,279	35	2,069	1,124	2,039	62	124	37,096	2,333
April r	..	26,392	5,308	24	2,034	1,260	1,899	63	121	37,101	1,923
May p	..	30,911	5,911	39	3,339	1,600	2,289	77	133	44,299	1,979

(a) See paragraph 2 of explanatory notes. p Preliminary. r Revised.

TABLE 4. - REGISTRATIONS OF NEW MOTOR VEHICLES (a) : MAY 1968 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 ..	11,521	8,518	3,756	2,921	2,610	1,051	159	375	19,380	30,911
Station wagons ..	1,971	1,667	858	459	689	158	50	59	3,635	5,911
Ambulances and hearses ..	14	5	6	7	5	2	..	..	21	39
Utilities ..	1,100	662	482	362	514	109	77	33	1,386	3,339
Panel vans ..	641	441	129	110	202	50	5	22	1,165	1,600
Trucks ..	717	480	504	199	263	65	43	18	1,028	2,289
Other trucks ..	30	32	2	7	3	..	1	2	60	77
Omnibuses ..	49	27	27	7	18	4	..	1	65	133
Capital cities (b) ..	9,410	8,254	2,500	2,661	2,843	562	..	510	26,740	26,740
Other areas ..	6,633	3,578	3,264	1,411	1,461	877	335	..	..	17,559
TOTAL	16,043	11,832	5,764	4,072	4,304	1,439	335	510	26,740	44,299

(a) See paragraph 2 of explanatory notes. (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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