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MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS, QUEENSLAND, MAY 1988

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Main Features

- In May 1988, there were 7,091 registrations of new motor vehicles (excluding motor cycles, mobile equipment and trailers) processed. This was 24.9 per cent higher than the number processed in April 1988 (5,677) and 38.8 per cent higher than the number processed in May 1987 (5,108).
- New registrations for the 3 months ended May 1988 (20,164) were 23.0 per cent higher than for the 3 months ended February 1988 (16,399) and 24.6 per cent higher than for the 3 months ended May 1987 (16,177).

As these series contain irregular influences that can be highly volatile, short-term movements cannot be assumed to indicate changes in the underlying trend. Because of this volatility, a trend estimate is also published to provide users with a clearer picture of underlying trends (see Table 2).

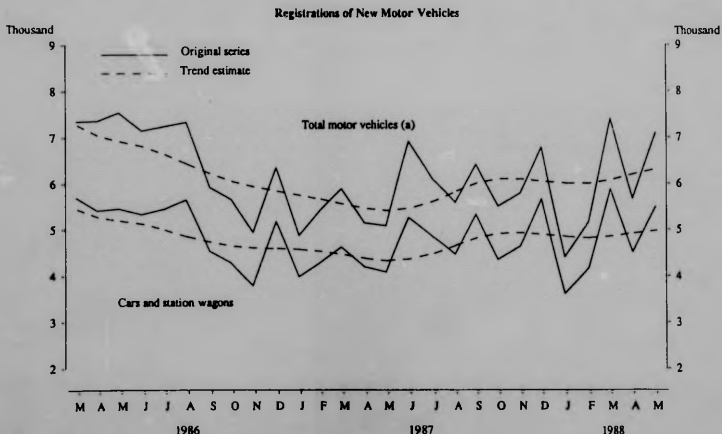
Explanatory Notes

Introduction

In these statistics, registrations are generally for new motor vehicles processed by the motor vehicle registration authority in Queensland during the period. In some instances registrations of new motor vehicles are not recorded in the statistics until some time after registration. It follows that registrations in this publication do not necessarily represent sales of new motor vehicles in the period.

Source and Scope

2. Motor vehicle registration statistics are obtained from data made available by the Queensland Main Roads Department and the Commonwealth Department of Administrative Services. These data reflect the information recorded in registration documents.



(a) Excluding motor cycles, mobile equipment and trailers.

Explanatory Notes (continued)

Seasonal Adjustment

3. Original, seasonally adjusted and trend estimate series for registrations of new motor vehicles are shown in Table 2. 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. In the seasonally adjusted series, account has been taken of normal seasonal factors and 'trading day' effects (arising from the varying numbers of Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays, etc. in the month) and the effect of movement in the date of Easter which may, in successive years, affect figures for different months.

4. Seasonally adjusted statistics should not be regarded as in any way definitive. In interpreting particular seasonally adjusted statistics it is important to bear in mind the methods by which they have been derived and the limitations to which the methods used are subject.

5. Seasonal adjustment is a means of removing the estimated effects of normal seasonal variation from the series so that the effects of other influences on the series may be more clearly recognised. Seasonal adjustment procedures do not aim to remove the irregular or non-seasonal influences which may be present in any particular month, such as the effect of introducing new models or of industrial disputes. Irregular influences that are highly volatile can make it difficult to interpret the movement of the series even after adjustment for seasonal variation.

6. The seasonally adjusted series can, however, be smoothed to reduce the impact of the irregular component in the adjusted series. This smoothed seasonally adjusted series is called a trend estimate series and is shown in Table 2. The trend estimate has been derived by applying a 13 term Henderson-weighted moving average to the series.

7. While this technique enables smoothed data for the latest period to be produced, it does result in revisions to the smoothed series for the most recent months as additional observations become available. Similarly the seasonally adjusted series is subject to revision.

8. For more information on seasonal adjustment of this series, users should refer to the ABS publication 'Seasonally Adjusted Indicators' (Catalogue No. 1308.0) and for information on smoothing of time series generally, users should refer to the ABS Information Paper 'A Guide to Smoothing Time Series - Estimates of "Trend"' (Catalogue No. 1316.0).

Classification of Vehicles

9. 'Other truck types' include non-freight-carrying trucks, ambulances, hearses and motorised caravans.

10. Although registration of recreation vehicles intended for use in public places other than roads is

compulsory, particulars of such vehicles are excluded from statistics contained in this publication.

11. Particulars of vehicles with diplomatic and consular plates and government-owned new vehicles other than those belonging to the defence services are included in this publication.

12. As the registration documents used by the various State motor vehicle registry systems are not uniform, either in the data that are available or in the definition of common data items, care must be taken when making comparisons between data from different systems. It is possible for identical vehicles to be described differently in different States or Territories, e.g. rear and door sedans may be registered either as cars or station wagons. Consequently, cars and station wagons have been amalgamated to avoid any confusion. In addition, in a relatively small number of cases, the characteristics used to classify vehicles for the purposes of this publication may be inconsistently recorded within a particular registration system.

Related Publications

13. Users may also wish to refer to the following publication which is available on request:

'Motor Vehicle Census' (9309.0) - Irregular - Latest issue: 1985 (\$4.10)

14. Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the 'Catalogue of Publications' (Catalogue No. 1101.0) and those produced by the Queensland Office are listed in 'List of Publications' (Catalogue No. 1101.3). A 'Publications Advice' (Catalogue No. 1105.0) is issued on Tuesdays and Fridays which lists publications to be released in the next few days. These publications are available from any ABS Office.

Unpublished Statistics

15. The ABS can also make available certain motor vehicle registration statistics which are not published. Where it is not practicable to provide the required statistics by telephone, they may be available in other forms, such as microfiche, photocopy, computer printout or clerically extracted tabulation. A charge may be made for providing unpublished statistics in these forms.

16. For further information on these unpublished statistics contact Terry Goster by telephoning Brisbane (07) 222 6247, or write to Information Services at the address above.

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Table 1 - New Motor Vehicle Registrations by Body Type, Queensland

Period	Cars and station wagons	Utilities	Panel vans	Trucks		Other truck types (a)	Buses	Total vehicles (b)	Motor cycles	Mobile equipment and trailers
				Rigid	Articulated					
1984-85	81,670	16,591	6,439	3,612	519	194	948	109,973	8,534	16,389
1985-86	73,616	13,642	4,855	3,355	547	189	831	97,035	6,752	15,229
1986-87	55,552	9,183	2,818	2,136	498	123	636	70,946	4,228	13,744
1987:										
March	4,643	767	262	135	35	12	49	5,903	343	1,088
April	4,221	551	166	133	30	9	56	5,166	287	1,108
May	4,112	610	145	119	58	10	54	5,108	246	972
June	5,285	777	390	264	108	15	90	6,929	263	1,304
July	4,869	599	282	262	40	15	40	6,107	356	1,172
August	4,494	612	166	241	24	42	36	5,615	223	1,119
September	5,351	633	188	152	38	17	50	6,429	256	1,327
October	4,381	693	194	136	46	29	50	5,529	232	1,182
November	4,667	719	188	146	35	10	49	5,814	346	1,155
December	5,675	653	157	156	54	16	77	6,788	429	1,403
1988:										
January	3,644	490	133	103	23	7	28	4,428	361	1,016
February	4,180	599	161	146	26	13	50	5,183	353	1,190
March	5,879	944	240	179	38	44	72	7,396	346	1,427
April	4,525	661	233	139	47	22	50	5,677	273	1,005
May	5,504	1,000	233	217	55	23	59	7,091	293	1,307
Three months ended										
May 1987	12,976	1,928	573	387	123	31	159	16,177	876	3,168
May 1988	15,908	2,605	706	535	140	89	181	20,164	912	3,739

(a) Non-freight-carrying vehicles.

(b) Excluding motor cycles, mobile equipment and trailers.

Table 2 - New Motor Vehicles Registered: Original, Seasonally Adjusted and Trend Estimate Series, Queensland

Month	Original series		Seasonally adjusted series		Trend estimate series	
	Cars and station wagons	Total	Cars and station wagons	Total	Cars and station wagons	Total
1987:						
March	4,643	5,903	4,335	5,485	4,483	5,578
April	4,221	5,166	4,300	5,253	4,401	5,479
May	4,112	5,108	3,962	4,908	4,356	5,435
June	5,285	6,929	4,862	6,150	4,391	5,487
July	4,869	6,107	4,442	5,548	4,516	5,643
August	4,494	5,615	4,417	5,589	4,691	5,853
September	5,351	6,429	5,034	6,142	4,847	6,028
October	4,381	5,529	4,726	5,928	4,938	6,114
November	4,667	5,814	5,440	6,683	r 4,951	r 6,106
December	5,675	6,788	5,052	6,236	r 4,914	r 6,055
1988:						
January	3,644	4,428	4,560	5,618	r 4,867	r 6,012
February	4,188	5,183	4,559	5,576	r 4,841	r 6,010
March	5,879	7,396	4,966	6,250	r 4,869	r 6,083
April	4,525	5,677	4,916	6,171	r 4,937	r 6,206
May	5,504	7,091	5,322	6,788	4,994	6,321

Table 3 - Number of Motor Vehicles on Register at 30 June: Year by Body Type, Queensland ('000)

At 30 June	Cars and station wagons	Utilities	Panel vans	Trucks		Other truck types (a)	Buses	Total vehicles (b)	Motor cycles	Mobile equipment and trailers
				Rigid	Articulated					
1982	997.7	190.3	76.5	56.6	8.8	4.4	6.7	1,341.0	98.4	320.7
1983	1,037.5	197.9	83.2	57.5	8.7	4.6	7.7	1,397.2	99.0	335.1
1984	1,066.0	204.9	87.3	58.8	8.9	4.8	8.7	1,439.5	94.0	342.7
1985	1,082.1	209.9	87.2	59.1	9.0	5.0	9.5	1,461.8	84.3	342.4
1986	1,105.0	214.6	87.3	58.1	9.1	5.2	9.6	1,488.9	78.5	349.6
1987	1,123.0	216.8	86.7	54.5	9.2	5.5	9.5	1,505.1	70.2	356.6

(a) Non-freight-carrying vehicles.

(b) Excluding motor cycles, mobile equipment and trailers.

Table 4 - Registrations of New Motor Cars and Station Wagons, Utilities, Panel Vans, Trucks and Buses: Area of Registration by Body Type, Queensland, May 1988

Area	Cars and station wagons	Utilities	Panel vans	Trucks		Other truck types (a)	Buses	Total
				Rigid	Articulated			
Brisbane Statistical Division	2,981	377	164	126	21	16	33	3,718
Rest of State	2,523	623	69	91	34	7	26	3,373
Total	5,504	1,000	233	217	55	23	59	7,091

(a) Non-freight-carrying vehicles.

Table 5 - New Motor Vehicles (a) Registered: Fuel Type by Body Type, Queensland, May 1988

Fuel type	Cars and station wagons	Utilities	Panel vans	Trucks		Other truck types (b)	Buses	Total vehicles (c)	Motor cycles
				Rigid	Articulated				
Petrol	5,405	611	183	15	-	5	17	6,236	290
Diesel	97	389	50	202	55	18	42	853	-
Electric	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
Gas	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other (including dual fuel)	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-
Total	5,504	1,000	233	217	55	23	59	7,091	293

(a) Excluding mobile equipment and trailers.

(b) Non-freight-carrying vehicles.

(c) Excluding motor cycles.

Table 6 - Registrations of New Motor Cycles, Mobile Equipment and Trailers: Area of Registration by Body Type, Queensland, May 1988

Area	Motor cycles	Mobile equipment and trailers				Total
		Trailers	Caravans	Tractors	Plant and machinery	
Brisbane Statistical Division	101	516	26	15	17	574
Rest of State	192	618	31	66	18	733
Total	293	1,134	57	81	35	1,307

Table 7 - Registrations of New Motor Cycles by Make, Queensland, May 1988

Make	Number	Make	Number	Make	Number
B.M.W.	6	Moto Guzzi	3	Other and unknown	5
Harley-Davidson	7	Suzuki	29		
Honda	89	Vespa	1		
Kawasaki	61	Yamaha	92	Total	293

Table 8 - Registrations of New Motor Cars and Station Wagons, Utilities and Panel Vans: Make and Number of Cylinders by Body Type, Queensland, May 1988

Make	No. of cylinders	Cars and station wagons	Utilities	Panel vans	Make	No. of cylinders	Cars and station wagons	Utilities	Panel vans
Alfa Romeo	4	12	-	-	Mitsubishi	4	624	47	24
Audi	4	1	-	-	"	6	1	-	-
B.M.W.	6	18	-	-	Nissan	4	294	82	23
"	12	2	-	-	"	6	191	23	-
Citroen	4	2	-	-	Peugeot	4	1	-	-
Daihatsu	4	34	1	8	Porsche	4	2	-	-
"	4	-	21	6	"	6	1	-	-
Fiat	4	3	-	-	"	8	1	-	-
"	4	3	-	-	"	8	14	-	-
Ford	4	430	23	19	Range Rover	4	1	-	-
"	6	1,193	173	52	Renault	4	1	-	-
"	8	-	5	-	Rolls Royce	8	1	-	-
Holden	4	362	10	1	Rover	4	19	-	-
"	6	684	-	-	"	4	2	-	-
"	8	37	-	-	"	4	13	-	-
"	4	143	-	-	Saab	2	-	-	1
Honda	6	16	-	-	Subaru	4	45	26	-
"	4	59	-	-	"	4	3	20	5
Hyundai	4	12	-	-	Suzuki	3	22	24	8
Jaguar	12	3	-	-	"	4	902	332	59
Lada	4	7	-	-	Toyota	6	108	197	14
Land Rover	4	-	2	-	"	4	50	-	-
Mazda	4	98	13	13	Volvo	6	2	-	-
"	6	35	-	-	Other and unknown	4	-	1	-
"	R2	11	-	-					
Mercedes-Benz	6	27	-	-					
"	8	8	-	-					
					Total		5,504	1,000	233

Table 9 - Registrations of New Rigid and Articulated Trucks: Make and Gross Vehicle Mass (a) or Gross Combination Mass (b) by Body Type, Queensland, May 1988

Make	GVM(a) or GCM(b) code	Trucks		Make	GVM(a) or GCM(b) code	Trucks		Make	GVM(a) or GCM(b) code	Trucks	
		Rigid	Articulated			Rigid	Articulated			Rigid	Articulated
Daf	E	1	-	International	O	-	1	Nissan	B	3	-
"	F	1	-	(continued)	P	-	4	"	C	1	-
"	P	-	1	"	"	-	-	"	D	7	-
Daihatsu	B	11	-	Isuzu	B	16	-	"	F	3	-
Ford	B	21	-	"	C	14	-	"	P	-	2
"	C	1	-	"	D	14	-	Scania	N	-	1
"	D	5	-	"	F	-	9	"	P	-	6
"	F	8	-	Kenworth	F	1	-	Toyota	B	24	-
"	P	-	5	Mack	P	-	12	"	C	3	-
Hino	C	6	-	Mazda	B	13	-	"	D	1	-
"	D	3	-	Mercedes-Benz	F	1	-	"	F	4	-
"	F	1	-	"	P	-	5	"	P	-	4
International	C	2	-	Mitsubishi	B	9	-	Western Star	P	-	4
"	D	7	-	"	C	9	-				
"	E	1	-	"	D	21	-				
"	F	4	-	"	F	1	-				
"	N	-	1					Total		217	55

(a) Gross Vehicle Mass (GVM): The maximum laden mass at which the vehicle should be operated as recommended by the manufacturer.

GVM Ranges (tonnes)

A - Up to and including 4
(Not applicable to Queensland figures.)
B - Above 4 to 8

C - Above 8 to 12
D - " 12 " 16
E - " 16 " 20
F - Above 20 to 30
G - " 30
N.S. - Not stated.

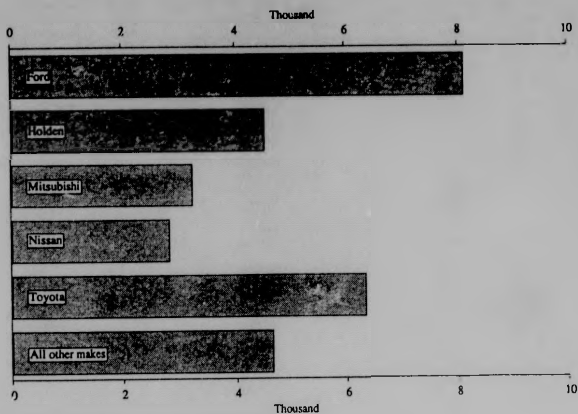
(b) Gross Combination Mass (GCM): The amount specified for the vehicle by the manufacturer as being the maximum of the sum of the laden mass of the vehicle plus the maximum laden mass of any vehicle which might be towed as a semi-trailer or trailer. In Queensland, however, the prime mover and trailer or semi-trailer are not registered as one unit and an estimate of the GCM has been made.

GCM Ranges (tonnes)

H - Up to and including 8
I - Above 8 to 12
J - " 12 " 16
K - " 16 " 20
L - " 20 " 24

M - Above 24 to 30
N - " 30 " 34
O - " 34 " 40
P - " 40
N.S. - Not stated.

Registrations of New Motor Vehicles: Total Motor Vehicles Registered (a) by Selected Makes, Queensland, Five Months Ended May 1988



(a) Excluding motor cycles, mobile equipment and trailers.

Table 10 - Registrations of New Motor Cars and Station Wagons, Utilities, Panel Vans, Trucks and Buses: Selected Makes by Body Type, Queensland, Five Months Ended May 1988

Make	Cars and station wagons	Utilities	Panel vans	Trucks		Other truck types (a)	Buses	Total vehicles (b)
				Rigid	Articulated			
Daihatsu ..	201	109	64	44	-	1	-	419
Ford ..	7,046	709	212	104	22	20	2	8,115
Holden ..	4,486	46	16	-	-	-	-	4,548
Honda ..	741	-	-	-	-	-	-	741
Hyundai ..	320	-	-	-	-	-	-	320
Mercedes-Benz ..	701	110	67	34	-	1	4	917
Mitsubishi ..	189	-	-	11	11	1	8	220
Nissan ..	2,830	162	133	112	2	5	-	3,244
Subaru ..	2,175	470	118	37	4	6	33	2,843
Suzuki ..	146	119	12	-	-	-	-	277
Toyota ..	137	205	53	-	-	-	-	395
Volvo ..	4,003	1,756	322	112	-	10	153	6,356
Other ..	240	-	-	19	24	12	21	316
	525	8	3	311	126	53	38	1,064
Total ..	23,740	3,694	1,000	784	189	109	259	29,775

(a) Non-freight-carrying vehicles.

(b) Excluding motor cycles, mobile equipment and trailers.

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