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The figures for 1971-72 are derived from the Annual Factory Census. All other annual figures are derived from the recorded monthly production and are subject to revision. Production figures for Northern Territory are included. This summary contains seasonally adjusted statistics of sulphuric acid. 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 this and other series are given in *Seasonally Adjusted Indicators 1973* (Ref. No. 1.10).

Period	Acids (in terms of 100% acid)							
	Hydro-chloric (401.29)	Nitric (401.37)	Sulphuric		Chlorine (405.82)	Sodium Hydroxide (100%) (caustic soda) (407.88)	Sulphate of ammonia (405.36)	Super-phosphate (b)
			Original (401.57)	Seas.ad.(a)				
	tonnes	tonnes	'000 tonnes	—	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	'000 tonnes
1970-71	43,207	119,870	1,612	..	93,403	119,678	176,560	3,115
1971-72	47,370	140,317	1,756	..	102,418	127,857	111,107	3,612
1972-73	40,969	162,680	2,265	..	98,453	121,263	227,864	4,918
1972 -								
August	4,427	14,886	148	165	7,817	10,065	19,122	331
September	4,065	12,312	163	142	9,980	11,932	19,732	347
October	5,234	15,506	195	179	8,889	10,113	22,283	362
November	3,620	13,390	173	175	8,579	10,272	21,113	382
December	3,188	14,681	202	192	8,376	10,433	19,677	424
1973 -								
January	4,155	8,794	214	199	9,562	12,069	19,520	434
February	2,591	12,914	199	195	5,642	6,821	15,842	461
March	988	12,726	196	184	4,344	4,938	15,323	474
April	2,148	14,916	212	198	8,627	11,459	19,563	503
May	3,632	18,332	220	213	10,024	12,443	20,544	529
June	3,545	15,615	218	257	8,416	10,739	16,974	463
July	4,116	15,714	160	232	8,655	11,257	19,018	332
August	3,917	20,036	201	223	9,557	12,030	23,886	368
September	3,709	18,214	217	197	7,391	9,589	17,616	459
1972-73 : July to Sept.	11,868	35,807	436	..	25,994	31,976	57,025	886
1973-74 : July to Sept.	11,742	53,964	578	..	25,603	32,876	60,520	1,159

(a) See note at top of page. (b) Code numbers 415.07 and 405.25. Includes double and triple superphosphate and ammonium phosphate expressed in terms of single superphosphate i.e. 22% P_2O_5 equivalent.



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