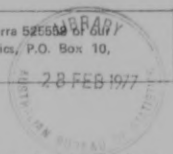


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PRODUCTION SUMMARY NO. 8 : LAWNMOWERS
AUSTRALIA : DECEMBER 1976

Annual figures shown in this publication are derived by aggregating monthly production and relate to production during the year ended 30 June. They may differ from annual manufacturing census figures relating to the census year which, in the case of businesses unable to report on a June year basis, include details in respect of substitute accounting periods.

This summary contains seasonally adjusted statistics of petrol, rotary type lawnmowers. In the seasonal adjustment, account has been taken not only of normal seasonal factors but also of "training-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. The seasonally adjusted figures have been revised following annual reanalysis. Details of the methods used in seasonally adjusting this and other series are given in *Seasonally Adjusted Indicators* (Reference No. 1.10).

As from July 1975 production statistics exclude production of single establishment manufacturing enterprises employing less than four persons and production of establishments predominantly engaged in non-manufacturing activities but which may carry on, in a minor way, some manufacturing.

However, except for a few commodities, the effect on production levels and movements is marginal. An indication of the approximate magnitude of the break in comparability may be obtained by comparing annual 1974-75 data which are shown in this publication on both the old and the new basis.

(Number)

Period	Petrol, rotary (under-cut) type		Total			
	With 2 stroke engine (699.52)	With 4 stroke engine (699.55)	Original	Seasonally adjusted (b)	Other types (a) (699.41, 45.55, 61)	Total
	1973-74	369,662				
1974-75	250,458	48,295	298,753	..	18,858	317,611
1974-75 (c)	350,334	47,791	298,125	..	18,858	316,983
1975-76	260,156	74,701	334,857	..	19,780	354,637
1975 -						
November	35,639	8,941	44,580	30,068	3,033	47,613
December	24,964	6,161	31,125	31,906	1,330	32,655
1976 -						
January	16,186	6,698	22,884	27,335	293	23,177
February	19,902	8,778	28,680	28,993	1,500	30,580
March	10,106	8,418	18,604	21,799	1,534	20,138
April	11,396	5,464	16,860	21,361	1,359	18,219
May	4,357	3,379	7,736	13,683	1,203	8,939
June	11,888	4,889	16,777	38,870	1,484	18,261
July		18,646	18,646	24,560	1,221	19,867
August		25,121	25,121	19,487	972	26,093
September		45,875	45,875	31,615	1,663	47,538
October		44,287	44,287	25,541	972	45,259
November		41,304	41,304	27,890	1,335	42,639
December		36,710	36,710	37,559	1,006	37,716
1975-76 : July to Dec.	186,241	37,075	223,316	..	12,007	235,323
1976-77 : July to Dec.	211,943		211,943	..	7,169	219,112

(a) Includes petrol cylinder, electric and hand lawnmowers but excludes tractor drawn (non-agricultural) lawnmowers. (b) See note at top of page. (c) Excludes the production of certain small producers. See explanatory notes above.