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PRODUCTION STATISTICS : AUSTRALIA, AUGUST 1969 (PRELIMINARY)

Preliminary estimates for August 1969 for certain major indicators of production are shown below. Production statistics for August for an extensive range of commodities will be published later in the series of 52 Monthly Production Summaries and the Monthly Bulletin of Production Statistics. Production figures for the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory are included from July 1968.

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 1969" (Ref. No. 1.10).

No.	Item	Unit	Year		Months 1968			Months 1969		
			1967-68	1968-69	June	July	Aug.	June	July	Aug.
1.	Pig iron	'000 tons	(a) 5,209	(a) 5,722	435	412	450	497	489	508
2.	Ingot steel - Original	" "	(a) 6,298	(a) 6,599	503	495	550	562	588	592
	Seas. adj.	" "	" "	" "	516	480	521	569	572	571
3.	Blooms and slabs	" "	(a) 5,483	(a) 5,749	445	471	481	475	530	530
4.	Tinplate	" "	(a) 254	(a) 256	15.9	18.1	20.0	21.2	22.3	23.2
5.	Gas(c) (available for issue through mains) -									
	- Original	mil. therms	312	331	34.2	37.5	34.8	35.3	36.9	36.1
	Seas. adj.	" "	" "	" "	28.0	27.6	27.6	28.7	27.2	28.7
6.	Electricity	mil kWh	44,531	48,787	4,265	4,655	4,492	4,697	4,967	4,676
	- Original	" "	" "	" "	3,964	3,892	3,951	4,333	4,163	4,171
	Seas. adj.	" "	" "	" "	122	138	134	134	155	146
7.	Bricks, clay	million	1,440	1,615	122	138	134	134	155	146
	- Original	" "	" "	" "	126	126	128	137	141	144
	Seas. adj.	" "	" "	" "	318	323	326	339	365	382
8.	Cement, Portland	'000 tons	3,805	3,978	314	341	344	335	385	401
	- Original	" "	" "	" "	318	323	326	339	365	382
	Seas. adj.	" "	" "	" "	115.6	134.2	9.68	12.29	11.24	10.73
9.	Particle board	mil. sq ft	115.6	134.2	9.68	12.29	11.24	10.73	14.61	13.23
10.	Plastics and synthetic resins (b)	'000 cwt	2,236	2,666	194	223	227	253	233	270
11.	Floor coverings	'000 sq yd	26,799	29,012	2,118	2,647	2,533	2,487	2,879	2,795

(a) Year ended 31 May. (b) For moulding, extrusion, laminating and calendering only.

(c) From July 1969 includes natural gas.

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No.	Item	Unit	Year		Months 1968			Months 1969		
			1967-68	1968-69	June	July	Aug.	June	July	Aug.
12.	Acid - Sulphuric - Original	'000 tons	1,892	r1,853	126	119	150	124	r105	137
	Seas. adj.	" "	..	..	133	131	157	133	r116	146
13.	Nitric	ton	35,033	53,935	3,030	3,518	3,483	5,656	4,165	4,990
14.	Hydrochloric	"	7,918	9,446	656	591	783	760	817	806
15.	Refrigerators, domestic - Original	'000	245	271	20.4	25.6	27.1	18.1	22.1	21.4
	Seas. adj.	"	..	..	22.7	25.2	24.0	20.2	21.2	19.8
16.	Clothes washing machines, domestic	"	278	303	26.9	29.6	30.1	26.9	30.8	27.3
17.	Radio sets (incl. radiograms)	"	522	r675	38.6	44.3	52.6	r47.5	59.4	50.1
18.	Television sets	"	253	280	22.3	27.9	26.4	r26.8	30.2	28.4
19.	Electric motors - Under 1 hp - Original	"	2,773	r3,006	223	280	276	r 248	305	286
	Seas. adj.	"	..	..	231	250	251	r 255	266	268
20.	1 hp and over	"	138	196	12.5	17.5	15.6	18.5	17.6	17.9
21.	Internal combustion engines - petrol (a)	"	258	r293	r10.0	16.1	34.5	r17.4	28.7	32.9
22.	Lawn mowers - petrol - rotary type	"	185	210	2.0	6.6	27.1	8.8	19.9	25.0
23.	Cars and station wagons (b)	"	330	342	25.9	31.2	30.4	31.4	r36.5	34.7
24.	Utilities and panel vans (b)	"	47.5	51.3	4.75	5.74	5.05	4.51	5.55	5.21
25.	Trucks and truck type vehicles (b)	"	23.0	r25.8	2.08	2.09	2.17	r2.46	r2.54	2.52
	Total Motor vehicles (b) - Original	"	401	420	32.8	39.0	37.7	38.5	r44.7	42.4
	Seas. adj.	"	..	..	32.9	34.1	35.5	r37.4	r38.4	42.7

(a) Excludes marine inboard, motor car, motor cycle, truck, tractor and aero engines, but includes engines for outboard motors.

(b) Includes vehicles which are disposed of by the manufacturer in a partly finished state.

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No.	Item	Unit	Year		Months 1968			Months 1969		
			1967-68	1968-69	June	July	Aug.	June	July	Aug.
26.	Yarn (a) - Cotton	'000 lb	60,849	r61,015	5,269	5,481	5,585	r5,716	5,766	5,769
27.	Wool	" "	53,492	r54,076	4,191	r4,813	4,536	r4,639	5,291	4,421
28.	Woven cloth (a) - Cotton (excl. towelling) - Original	'000 sq yd	59,042	r56,708	5,101	r5,212	6,035	r4,760	4,502	5,244
	Seas. adj.	" "	..	..	4,714	r5,130	4,975	r4,617	4,346	4,392
29.	Wool (excl. blanketing) - Original	" "	23,406	r23,607	1,716	1,957	1,817	r1,650	2,399	2,108
	Seas. adj.	" "	..	..	1,984	1,995	1,942	r1,875	2,438	2,316
30.	Cellulosic fibre	" "	37,226	r36,179	3,499	3,143	3,503	r3,522	2,967	3,276
31.	Synthetic fibre	" "	27,904	32,132	2,951	r2,962	2,921	r3,175	3,207	3,132
32.	Confectionery - Chocolate base	mil lb	99	107	9.97	11.37	10.55	11.56	10.78	8.92
33.	Other	" "	113	114	9.21	10.72	10.02	9.57	10.34	10.21
34.	Beer (b) - Original	mil gal	310	322	18.9	23.0	22.7	21.7	r25.2	25.0
	Seas. adj.	" "	..	..	24.8	26.3	24.8	27.4	r29.0	28.5
35.	Tobacco, cigars and cigarettes (c)									
	- Original	mil lb	59.0	62.4	5.15	6.03	5.52	5.40	6.46	5.65
	Seas. adj.	" "	..	..	5.12	5.11	5.15	5.11	5.47	5.52

(a) Includes mixtures predominantly of the fibre named.

(b) All monthly figures for 1967-68 were collected by the Department of Customs and Excise and include waste beer. Other figures, collected by this Bureau, exclude waste beer.

(c) Source : Department of Customs and Excise.

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