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PRODUCTION SUMMARY NO. 2 : CHEMICALS, ETC. - AUGUST 1971

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The figures for 1968-69 are those recorded in the Annual Factory Census. All subsequent 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 1971" (Ref. No. 1.10) issued on 2 July 1971.

Period	Acids (in terms of 100% Acid)				Chlorine	Sodium hydroxide (100%) (caustic soda)	Sulphate of ammonia	Superphosphate (b)	
	Code No.	Hydrochloric	Nitric	Sulphuric					
				Original					Seas. adj. (a)
	401.29	401.37	401.57		405.82	407.88	405.36	415.07	
	- tons -		- '000 tons -			- tons -		'000 tons	
1968-69	35,320	65,039	1,853	..	83,793	105,478	105,463	3,938	
1969-70	35,838	124,725	1,748	..	88,567	111,107	114,085	3,598	
1970-71	42,524	117,976	1,586	..	91,928	117,788	174,206	3,108	
Months : 1970	July	3,496	6,705	88	107	6,937	9,065	10,338	165
	August	5,135	9,613	127	137	8,066	10,385	14,737	218
	September	4,123	9,793	156	141	7,546	9,644	14,289	312
	October	2,945	13,288	146	140	7,298	9,729	13,194	322
	November	3,253	15,899	142	156	8,756	11,133	13,120	289
	December	3,374	8,020	144	137	7,345	9,225	17,746	282
1971	January	3,198	6,174	115	111	7,102	9,125	18,437	249
	February	2,936	5,355	154	151	6,172	7,994	13,228	263
	March	3,577	8,073	145	131	8,133	10,099	16,497	307
	April	2,666	11,928	146	138	7,719	9,920	16,367	285
	May	3,889	11,738	134	132	7,596	10,113	10,192	239
	June	3,932	11,390	90	102	9,258	11,356	16,061	177
	July	3,945	9,295	72	88	7,930	10,530	13,522	120
	August	4,135	11,096	142	154	9,206	12,112	12,403	210
2 months ended	August 1971	8,080	20,391	213	..	17,136	22,642	25,925	331
2 months ended	August 1970	8,631	16,318	214	..	15,003	19,450	25,075	383

(a) See note at top of page. (b) Monthly figures supplied by Department of Primary Industry. Includes double and triple superphosphate and ammonium phosphate expressed in terms of single superphosphate i.e. 22% P₂O₅ equivalent.



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