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REGISTRATIONS OF NEW MOTOR VEHICLES : DECEMBER, 1955

Statistics of registrations of new motor vehicles during each month from December, 1954 to December, 1955, are shown in summary form below.

These include all new motor vehicles (except motor cycles) registered in each State and Territory during the months shown. All Commonwealth-owned vehicles are included except those belonging to the Departments of Army and Air.

"Registered during the month" means "passed through the Central Registration Authority of respective States during the month". At times, in some States, new registrations effected in Branch offices are not "passed" into the statistics until some weeks or months after actual registration.

Registrations of new motor vehicles classified according to make are shown herein for December, 1955, only, separate particulars being presented for (1) Cars and (ii) Commercial Vehicles. Corresponding particulars for each month are shown in previous bulletins.

This abbreviated statement will be followed by the usual Monthly Bulletin which gives information in greater detail.

REGISTRATIONS OF NEW MOTOR VEHICLES

ALL MOTOR VEHICLES (Excluding Motor Cycles) - SUMMARY OF MONTHLY REGISTRATIONS

(i) STATES AND TERRITORIES - NUMBER

Month	N.S.W.	VIC(a)	Q'LD.	S.A.	W.A.(b)	TAS.	N.T.	A.C.T.	TOTAL(c)
1954 : December	6,476	4,745	2,792	2,276	1,594	776	25	101	18,785
1955 : January	3,999	3,422	2,002	1,177	1,383	370	22	61	12,436
February	6,474	(d) 3,902	2,325	1,843	1,350	591	25	104	16,614
March	7,746	(d) 5,609	2,733	2,337	1,548	901	33	178	21,085
April	6,786	(d) 5,260	2,505	2,073	1,527	602	41	106	18,900
May	8,162	(d) 6,075	3,009	2,393	1,408	834	58	128	22,067
June	7,430	(d) 6,400	2,925	2,208	1,532	757	71	138	21,461
July	7,558	(d) 5,891	2,818	2,224	1,411	660	28	129	20,719
August	7,931	(d) 6,114	3,231	2,252	1,487	799	50	134	21,998
September	8,004	(d) 5,880	3,129	2,503	1,482	725	48	115	21,886
October	7,264	(d) 6,466	2,924	2,238	1,479	597	58	124	21,150
November	7,452	(d) 5,983	2,884	2,137	1,489	740	45	149	20,879
December	6,995	(d) 5,823	2,835	2,239	1,355	721	40	141	20,149
Metropolitan	3,490	3,423	806	1,143	710	260	-	141	9,973
Extra-Metropolitan	3,505	(d) 2,400	2,029	1,096	645	461	40	-	10,176

(ii) AUSTRALIA - TYPES (e)

Month	Cars	Utilities	Panel Vans	Lorries	Omnibuses	Station Wagons	Other Vehicles	Total(e)
1954 : December	12,839	3,513	747	1,463	44	171	8	18,785
1955 : January	8,355	2,467	462	983	27	133	9	12,436
February	11,897	2,724	595	1,188	34	163	13	16,614
March	15,229	3,416	763	1,409	52	193	23	21,085
April	13,599	2,989	667	1,366	46	219	14	18,900
May	15,644	3,483	869	1,675	54	304	38	22,067
June	15,177	3,321	860	1,713	50	309	31	21,461
July	14,585	3,227	855	1,671	65	296	20	20,719
August	15,685	3,380	857	1,654	33	361	28	21,998
September	15,464	3,480	860	1,685	43	318	36	21,886
October	14,652	3,468	863	1,693	33	402	39	21,150
November	14,558	3,408	857	1,678	34	302	42	20,879
December	14,067	3,179	893	1,620	47	313	30	20,149
Metropolitan	7,623	921	546	632	29	196	26	9,973
Extra-metropolitan	6,444	2,258	347	988	18	117	4	10,176

(a) Includes some registrations (mainly extra-metropolitan) affected in preceding months but not passed into Central Registration records until subsequent months.

(b) Includes extra-metropolitan registrations for the month prior to that indicated.

(c) See notes applying to Victoria and Western Australia. (d) From February, 1955, Victorian registrations include extra-metropolitan registrations for the month prior to that indicated. (e) See notes applying to part (i).

REGISTRATIONS OF NEW MOTOR VEHICLESALL MOTOR VEHICLES (Excluding Motor Cycles) CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO MAKE OF VEHICLESTATES AND TERRITORIES, DECEMBER, 1955

<u>Make of Vehicle</u>	<u>N.S.W.</u>	<u>Vic.</u>	<u>Q'ld.</u>	<u>S.A.</u>	<u>W.A.</u>	<u>Tas.</u>	<u>N.T.</u>	<u>A.C.T.</u>	<u>Metrop.</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>CARS</u>										
Austin	409	427	140	150	76	75	-	7	687	1,284
Chevrolet	88	85	47	56	5	6	1	4	169	292
De Soto	39	53	22	19	11	3	1	1	58	149
Dodge	95	84	29	42	18	3	-	7	131	278
Fiat	15	54	14	11	7	4	-	5	76	110
Ford	856	663	494	383	174	84	4	16	1,266	2,674
Hillman	141	161	52	55	29	25	2	3	257	468
Holden	1,324	1,164	491	505	310	83	2	22	2,079	3,901
Humber	58	43	14	19	12	9	-	2	74	157
Jaguar	15	23	8	6	2	2	-	-	35	56
Morris	608	519	152	106	95	93	1	11	952	1,585
Peugeot	59	33	12	-	2	2	-	2	56	110
Plymouth	124	88	31	32	18	8	1	-	132	302
Renault	63	32	19	18	11	2	-	2	106	147
Rover	56	29	8	11	7	2	-	1	87	114
Simca	32	22	8	15	4	2	-	-	46	83
Standard	356	291	48	74	38	37	-	4	534	848
Vauxhall	204	150	88	83	46	13	1	6	316	591
Volkswagen	173	157	61	58	58	23	-	3	308	533
Wolseley	22	64	8	12	6	4	-	1	79	117
Other Makes	98	97	15	29	10	11	-	8	175	268
Metropolitan	2,673	2,605	563	938	540	199	-	105	-	7,623
Extra-metrop.	2,162	1,634	1,198	746	399	292	13	-	-	6,444
TOTAL:	4,835	4,239	1,761	1,684	939	491	13	105	14,067	

COMMERCIAL VEHICLES

Austin	171	76	79	43	32	13	-	3	149	417
Bedford	144	137	68	64	44	10	1	1	199	469
Chevrolet	24	21	13	19	13	5	-	1	34	96
Commer	44	55	27	19	11	10	-	-	63	166
De Soto	25	28	11	3	9	3	3	1	32	83
Dodge	47	31	22	18	14	4	1	1	70	138
Fargo	79	37	15	15	2	3	1	-	53	152
Ford	277	192	155	97	54	28	6	1	275	810
Hillman	33	41	18	6	8	6	-	2	62	114
Holden	485	329	296	112	111	80	1	8	510	1,422
International	207	106	61	31	19	14	1	4	171	443
Land Rover	90	49	67	21	13	8	7	2	43	257
Morris	136	123	90	31	23	23	-	2	184	428
Standard	142	175	47	26	11	13	-	4	179	418
Vauxhall	82	43	66	15	18	1	3	-	80	228
Volkswagen	86	81	22	26	15	2	-	3	127	235
Other Makes	88	60	17	9	19	7	3	3	119	206
Metropolitan	817	818	243	205	170	61	-	36	-	2,350
Extra-metrop.	1,343	766	831	350	246	169	27	-	-	3,732
TOTAL:	2,160	1,584	1,074	555	416	230	27	36	6,082	

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