



MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS, QUEENSLAND, FEBRUARY 1988

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Main Features

- In February 1988 there were 5,183 registrations of new motor vehicles (excluding motor cycles, mobile equipment, and trailers) processed. This was 17.1 per cent higher than the number processed in January 1988 (4,428) but 4.6 per cent lower than the number processed in February 1987 (5,432).

- New registrations for the 3 months ended February 1988 (16,399) were 7.7 per cent lower than for the 3 months ended November 1987 (17,772) but 1.7 per cent lower than for the 3 months ended February 1987 (16,689).

As these series contain irregular influences that can be highly volatile, short-term movements cannot be assumed to indicate changes in the underlying trend. Because of this volatility, a trend estimate is also published to provide users with a clearer picture of underlying trends (see Table 2).

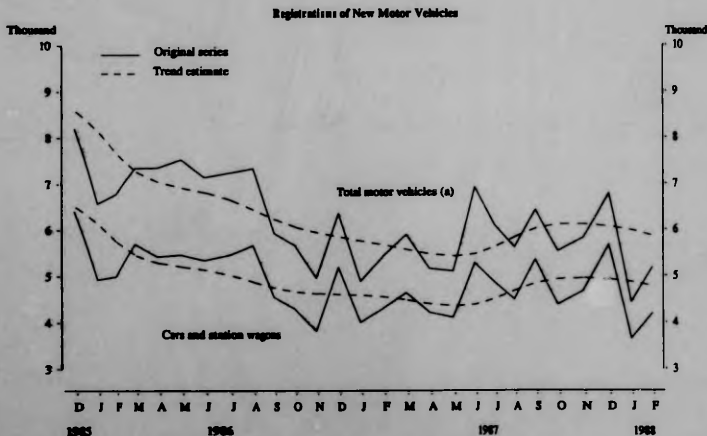
Explanatory Notes

Introduction

In these statistics, registrations are generally for new motor vehicles processed by the motor vehicle registration authority in Queensland during the period. In some instances registrations of new motor vehicles are not recorded in the statistics until some time after registration. It follows that registrations in this publication do not necessarily represent sales of new motor vehicles in the period.

Source and Scope

2. Motor vehicle registration statistics are obtained from data made available by the Queensland Main Roads Department and the Commonwealth Department of Administrative Services. These data reflect the information recorded in registration documents.



(a) Excluding motor cycles, mobile equipment, and trailers.

Explanatory Notes (continued)Seasonal Adjustment

3. Original, seasonally adjusted, and trend estimate series for registrations of new motor vehicles are shown in Table 2. The two component series 'motor cars and station wagons' and 'other vehicles' are each adjusted separately, and the adjusted figures for total registrations are obtained by adding together the two component series. In the seasonally adjusted series, account has been taken of normal seasonal factors and 'trading day' effects (arising from the varying numbers of Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays, etc. in the month) and the effect of movement in the date of Easter which may, in successive years, affect figures for different months.

4. Seasonally adjusted statistics should not be regarded as in any way definitive. In interpreting particular seasonally adjusted statistics it is important to bear in mind the methods by which they have been derived and the limitations to which the methods used are subject.

5. Seasonal adjustment is a means of removing the estimated effects of normal seasonal variation from the series so that the effects of other influences on the series may be more clearly recognised. Seasonal adjustment procedures do not aim to remove the irregular or non-seasonal influences which may be present in any particular month, such as the effect of introducing new models or of industrial disputes. Irregular influences that are highly volatile can make it difficult to interpret the movement of the series even after adjustment for seasonal variation.

6. The seasonally adjusted series can, however, be smoothed to reduce the impact of the irregular component in the adjusted series. This smoothed seasonally adjusted series is called a trend estimate series and is shown in Table 2. The trend estimate has been derived by applying a 13 term Henderson-weighted moving average to the series.

7. While this technique enables smoothed data for the latest period to be produced, it does result in revisions to the smoothed series for the most recent months as additional observations become available. Similarly the seasonally adjusted series is subject to revision.

8. For more information on seasonal adjustment of this series, users should refer to the ABS publication 'Seasonally Adjusted Indicators' (Catalogue No. 1308.0) and for information on smoothing of time series generally, users should refer to the ABS Information Paper 'A Guide to Smoothing Time Series - Estimates of "Trend"' (Catalogue No. 1316.0).

Classification of Vehicles

9. 'Other truck types' include non-freight-carrying trucks, ambulances, hearses, and motorised caravans.

10. Although registration of recreation vehicles intended for use in public places other than roads is

compulsory, particulars of such vehicles are excluded from statistics contained in this publication.

11. Particulars of vehicles with diplomatic and consular plates and government-owned new vehicles other than those belonging to the defence services are included in this publication.

12. As the registration documents used by the various State motor vehicle registry systems are not uniform, either in the data that are available or in the definition of common data items, care must be taken when making comparisons between data from different systems. It is possible for identical vehicles to be described differently in different States or Territories, e.g. rear end door sedans may be registered either as cars or station wagons. Consequently, cars and station wagons have been amalgamated to avoid any confusion. In addition, in a relatively small number of cases, the characteristics used to classify vehicles for the purposes of this publication may be inconsistently recorded within a particular registration system.

Related Publications

13. Users may also wish to refer to the following publication which is available on request:

'Motor Vehicle Census' (9309.0) - Irregular - Latest issue: 1985 (\$4.10)

14. Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the 'Catalogue of Publications' (Catalogue No. 1101.0) and those produced by the Queensland Office are listed in 'List of Publications' (Catalogue No. 1101.3). A 'Publications Advice' (Catalogue No. 1105.0) is issued on Tuesdays and Fridays which lists publications to be released in the next few days. These publications are available from any ABS Office.

Unpublished Statistics

15. The ABS can also make available certain motor vehicle registration statistics which are not published. Where it is not practicable to provide the required statistics by telephone, they may be available in other forms, such as microfiche, photocopy, computer printout, or clerically extracted tabulation. A charge may be made for providing unpublished statistics in these forms.

16. For further information on these unpublished statistics contact Terry Goater by telephoning Brisbane (07) 222 6247, or write to Information Services at the address above.

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Table 1 - New Motor Vehicle Registrations by Body Type, Queensland

Period		Cars and station wagons	Util-ities	Panel vans	Trucks		Other truck types (a)	Buses	Total vehicles (b)	Motor cycles	Mobile equipment and trailers
					Rigid	Artic-ulated					
1984-85	..	81,670	16,591	6,439	3,612	519	194	948	109,973	8,534	16,389
1985-86	..	73,616	13,642	4,855	3,355	547	189	831	97,035	6,752	15,229
1986-87	..	55,552	9,183	2,818	2,136	498	123	636	70,946	4,228	13,744
1986:	December	5,192	704	186	187	35	12	47	6,363	489	1,316
1987:	January	4,005	547	150	117	26	6	43	4,894	350	1,042
	February	4,306	654	232	154	38	9	39	5,432	335	987
	March ..	4,643	767	262	135	35	12	49	5,903	343	1,088
	April ..	4,221	551	166	133	30	9	56	5,166	287	1,108
	May ..	4,112	610	145	119	58	10	54	5,108	246	972
	June ..	5,285	777	390	264	108	15	90	6,929	263	1,304
	July ..	4,869	599	282	262	40	15	40	6,107	356	1,172
	August ..	4,494	612	166	241	24	42	36	5,615	223	1,119
	September	5,351	633	188	152	38	17	50	6,429	256	1,327
	October	4,381	693	194	136	46	29	50	5,529	232	1,182
	November	4,667	719	188	146	35	10	49	5,814	346	1,155
	December	5,675	653	157	156	54	16	77	6,788	429	1,403
1988:	January	3,644	490	133	103	23	7	28	4,428	361	1,016
	February	4,188	599	161	146	26	13	50	5,183	353	1,190
Three months ended											
	February 1987	13,503	1,905	568	458	99	27	129	16,689	1,174	3,345
	February 1988	13,507	1,742	451	405	103	36	155	16,399	1,143	3,609

(a) Non-freight-carrying vehicles.

(b) Excluding motor cycles, mobile equipment, and trailers.

Table 2 - New Motor Vehicles Registered: Original, Seasonally Adjusted, and Trend Estimate Series, Queensland

Month		Original series		Seasonally adjusted series		Trend estimate series	
		Cars and station wagons	Total	Cars and station wagons	Total	Cars and station wagons	Total
1986:	December ..	5,192	6,363	4,712	5,943	4,609	5,852
1987:	January ..	4,005	4,894	4,853	6,004	4,591	5,765
	February ..	4,306	5,432	4,782	5,994	4,555	5,680
	March ..	4,643	5,903	4,335	5,485	4,483	5,578
	April ..	4,221	5,166	4,300	5,253	4,401	5,479
	May ..	4,112	5,108	3,962	4,908	4,356	5,435
	June ..	5,285	6,929	4,862	6,150	4,391	5,487
	July ..	4,869	6,107	4,442	5,546	4,516	5,643
	August ..	4,494	5,615	4,417	5,589	r 4,691	r 5,853
	September ..	5,351	6,429	5,034	6,142	r 4,846	r 6,030
	October ..	4,381	5,529	4,726	5,928	r 4,934	r 6,116
	November ..	4,667	5,814	5,440	6,683	r 4,953	r 6,118
	December ..	5,675	6,788	5,052	6,236	r 4,923	r 6,066
1988:	January ..	3,644	4,428	4,560	5,618	r 4,863	r 5,979
	February ..	4,188	5,183	4,559	5,576	4,773	5,855

Table 3 - Number of Motor Vehicles on Register at 30 June: Year by Body Type, Queensland ('000)

At 30 June		Cars and station wagons	Util-ities	Panel vans	Trucks		Other truck types (a)	Buses	Total vehicles (b)	Motor cycles	Mobile equipment and trailers
					Rigid	Artic-ulated					
1982	..	997.7	190.3	76.5	56.6	8.8	4.4	6.7	1,341.0	98.4	320.7
1983	..	1,037.5	197.9	83.2	57.5	8.7	4.6	7.7	1,397.2	99.0	335.1
1984	..	1,066.0	204.9	87.3	58.8	8.9	4.8	8.7	1,439.5	94.0	342.7
1985	..	1,082.1	209.9	87.2	59.1	9.0	5.0	9.5	1,461.8	84.3	342.4
1986	..	1,105.0	214.6	87.3	58.1	9.1	5.2	9.6	1,488.9	78.5	349.6
1987	..	1,123.0	216.8	86.7	54.5	9.2	5.5	9.5	1,505.1	70.2	356.6

(a) Non-freight-carrying vehicles.

(b) Excluding motor cycles, mobile equipment, and trailers.

Table 4 - Registrations of New Motor Cars and Station Wagons, Utilities, Panel Vans, Trucks, and Buses: Area of Registration by Body Type, Queensland, February 1988

Area	Cars and station wagons	Utilities	Panel vans	Trucks		Other truck types (a)	Buses	Total
				Rigid	Articulated			
Brisbane Statistical Division	2,482	255	112	83	15	6	24	2,977
Rest of State	1,706	344	49	63	11	7	26	2,206
Total	4,188	599	161	146	26	13	50	5,183

(a) Non-freight-carrying vehicles.

Table 5 - New Motor Vehicles (a) Registered: Fuel Type by Body Type, Queensland, February 1988

Fuel type	Cars and station wagons	Utilities	Panel vans	Trucks		Other truck types (b)	Buses	Total vehicles (c)	Motor cycles
				Rigid	Articulated				
Petrol	4,115	376	138	6	-	2	12	4,648	347
Diesel	60	222	23	140	26	11	38	520	-
Electric	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Gas	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other (including dual fuel)	13	1	-	-	-	-	-	14	-
Total	4,188	599	161	146	26	13	50	5,183	353

(a) Excluding mobile equipment and trailers.

(b) Non-freight-carrying vehicles.

(c) Excluding motor cycles.

Table 6 - Registrations of New Motor Cycles, Mobile Equipment, and Trailers: Area of Registration by Body Type, Queensland, February 1988

Area	Motor cycles	Mobile equipment and trailers				Total
		Trailers	Caravans	Tractors	Plant and machinery	
Brisbane Statistical Division	120	505	33	13	14	565
Rest of State	233	553	23	44	5	625
Total	353	1,058	56	57	19	1,190

Table 7 - Registrations of New Motor Cycles by Make, Queensland, February 1988

Make	Number	Make	Number	Make	Number
B.M.W.	1	Kawasaki	48	Yamaha	80
Ducati	1	K.T.M.	2	Other and unknown	10
Harley-Davidson	9	Suzuki	39		
Honda	162	Vespa	1	Total	353

Table 8 - Registrations of New Motor Cars and Station Wagons, Utilities, and Panel Vans: Make and Number of Cylinders by Body Type, Queensland, February 1968

Make	No. of cylinders	Cars and station wagons	Utilities	Panel vans	Make	No. of cylinders	Cars and station wagons	Utilities	Panel vans
Alfa Romeo ..	4	10	-	-	Mercedes-Benz (continued) ..	8	7	-	-
" ..	6	4	-	-	Mitsubishi ..	4	573	22	28
Audi ..	4	1	-	-	" ..	4	273	78	16
" ..	5	2	-	-	Nissan ..	6	134	12	-
B.M.W. ..	4	1	-	-	" ..	4	6	-	-
" ..	6	26	-	-	Peugeot ..	4	2	-	-
" ..	12	2	-	-	Porsche ..	4	1	-	-
Chevrolet ..	8	1	-	-	" ..	6	1	-	-
Citroen ..	4	1	-	-	" ..	8	1	-	-
Daihatsu ..	3	43	2	13	Range Rover ..	8	11	-	-
" ..	4	3	18	2	Renault ..	4	3	-	-
Daimler ..	6	1	-	-	Rolls Royce ..	6	1	-	-
Fiat ..	4	363	15	11	" ..	8	1	-	-
Ford ..	6	681	67	8	Rover ..	4	5	-	-
" ..	8	1	2	-	" ..	6	2	-	-
Holden ..	4	232	5	3	Seab ..	4	18	-	-
" ..	6	497	-	-	Subaru ..	2	-	-	2
" ..	8	29	-	-	" ..	4	26	17	-
Honda ..	4	136	-	-	Suzuki ..	3	3	22	9
" ..	6	11	-	-	" ..	4	28	22	3
Hyundai ..	4	76	-	-	Toyota ..	4	603	197	49
Jaguar ..	6	12	-	-	" ..	6	98	90	6
" ..	12	2	-	-	Volkswagen ..	4	1	-	-
Lada ..	4	8	1	-	Volvo ..	4	52	-	-
Mercedes ..	4	135	28	11	" ..	6	1	-	-
" ..	6	17	-	-	Other and unknown ..	4	1	1	-
" ..	11	-	-	-	" ..	8	2	-	-
" ..	6	28	-	-					
Mercedes-Benz ..	4	11	-	-					
" ..	6	28	-	-					
					Total ..		4,188	599	161

Table 9 - Registrations of New Rigid and Articulated Trucks: Make and Gross Vehicle Mass (a) or Gross Combination Mass (b) by Body Type, Queensland, February 1968

Make	GVM(a) or GCM(b) code	Trucks	Make	GVM(a) or GCM(b) code	Trucks	Make	GVM(a) or GCM(b) code	Trucks
		Rigid Articulated			Rigid Articulated			Rigid Articulated
Daf ..	F 3	-	International (continued)	O -	1	Mitsubishi (continued)	L -	1
Daihatsu ..	B 8	-	" ..	B 17	-	" ..	C 1	-
Ford ..	B 16	-	" ..	C 6	-	" ..	D 2	-
" ..	D 2	-	" ..	D 11	-	" ..	F 2	-
" ..	F 3	-	" ..	P -	2	Scania ..	P -	1
" ..	P -	4	Kenworth ..	P -	2	Toyota ..	B 26	-
Hino ..	C 3	-	" ..	P -	6	" ..	C 1	-
" ..	D 3	-	" ..	P -	7	" ..	D 1	-
" ..	F 2	-	Mercedes-Benz ..	D 3	-	" ..	N.S.	1
International ..	C 5	-	" ..	P -	2	Volvo ..	F 2	-
" ..	D 5	-	" ..	B 5	-	" ..	P -	6
" ..	E 1	-	Mitsubishi ..	C 1	-	Western Star ..	P -	2
" ..	F 2	-	" ..	F 5	-			
" ..	N -	1						
						Total ..	146	26

(a) Gross Vehicle Mass (GVM): The maximum laden mass at which the vehicle should be operated as recommended by the manufacturer.

GVM Ranges (tonnes)

A - Up to and including 4
(Not applicable to Queensland figures.)

B - Above 4 to 8

C - Above 8 to 12
D - " 12 " 16
E - " 16 " 20

F - Above 20 to 30

G - " 30

N.S. - Not stated.

(b) Gross Combination Mass (GCM): The amount specified for the vehicle by the manufacturer as being the maximum of the sum of the laden mass of the vehicle plus the maximum laden mass of any vehicle which might be towed as a semi-trailer or trailer. In Queensland, however, the prime mover and trailer or semi-trailer are not registered as one unit and an estimate of the GCM has been made.

GCM Ranges (tonnes)

H - Up to and including 8
I - Above 8 to 12
J - " 12 " 16
K - " 16 " 20
L - " 20 " 24

M - Above 24 to 30
N - " 30 " 34
O - " 34 " 40
P - " 40
N.S. - Not stated.

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