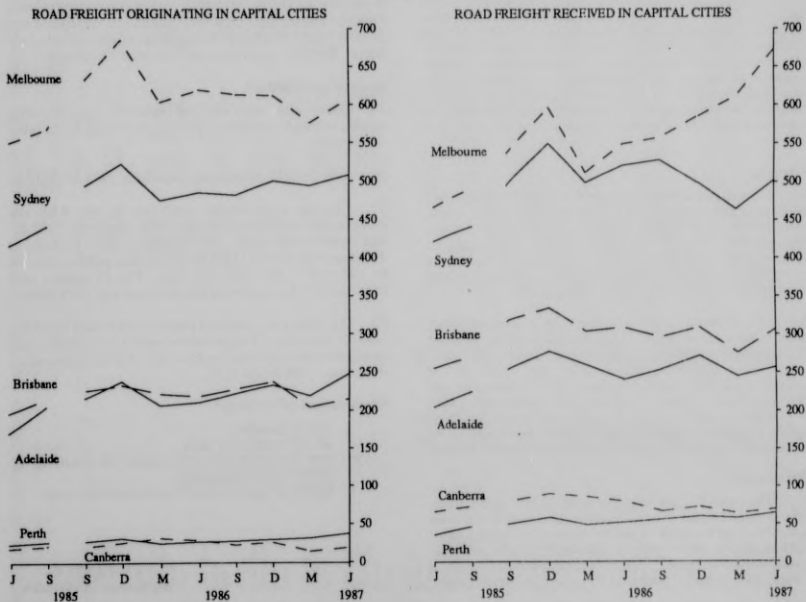




INTERSTATE ROAD FREIGHT MOVEMENT, AUSTRALIA JUNE QUARTER, 1987

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MAIN FEATURES INTERSTATE ROAD FREIGHT MOVEMENT, AUSTRALIA Tonnes ('000)



NOTE: Commencing with September quarter 1985, interstate freight movement statistics include additional enterprises identified during 1984-85 as being in the scope of the quarterly collection. To assist users in making comparisons the graphs also show statistics for September quarter 1985 on a basis consistent with previous quarters.

Total interstate road freight moved by major operators during June quarter 1987 (2,299,057 tonnes) was 7.9% higher than in March quarter 1987 (2,131,251 tonnes). In terms of freight

received this increase is reflected across all major centres except Newcastle. The June quarter 1987 figure is 2.9% higher than the June quarter 1986 figure (2,233,695 tonnes).

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

This publication contains statistics on interstate freight movements by road within Australia. The statistics were compiled using data collected each quarter from enterprises involved in the movement of road freight (as defined in paragraph 2).

Scope

2. The scope of the quarterly collection is those enterprises which undertake more than 20,000 tonnes of interstate road freight movements in a year either for hire or reward under prime contract arrangements or on own account. Road freight movements, in this context, refer to movements of freight for which road transport was used as the main mode. Movements of freight for which the majority of distance was by modes other than road transport are excluded from these statistics.

3. All movements between Melbourne or Geelong and Tasmania are classified as 'sea' or 'air' and are therefore excluded from this publication. However, freight consigned to Tasmania, for example, by road from Sydney to Melbourne and then by sea or air to Tasmania would be classified as 'road' from Sydney to Tasmania because that segment of the journey constituted the majority of the line-haul distance. As Tasmania is treated as a single location for the purposes of this collection, the mode of transport after landing in Tasmania is not taken into account.

Coverage

4. Coverage for this collection was initially established in September quarter 1982 as those enterprises which were found, in the 1980-81 Census of Interstate Freight Movements, to meet the scope criteria. The combined activities of those enterprises at the time of the census constituted approximately 70 per cent of total interstate road freight movements during that year.

5. The coverage has progressively decreased since September quarter 1982. Using results from the 1983-84 ABS Transport Surveys a number of additional enterprises were identified as being in the scope of the collection (as defined in paragraph 2). These additional enterprises are reflected in the statistics commencing with September quarter 1985. However, coverage has continued to decline since then and is now estimated to be between 50 and 60 per cent of total interstate road freight.

Definitions

6. The road freight data reported in this publication refer to movements made under prime contract and own account arrangements. A *prime contract* is defined as an agreement to move freight, made with the original consignor of the freight. Freight moved on *own account* is freight owned and transported by the same legal entity.

Freight moved by road under sub-contract arrangements has been excluded to avoid double counting. *Freight forwarding* refers to the management and control, for reward, of the movement of freight without the performance of the major line-haul function.

7. Data in this publication are reported in gross tonnes (i.e. tonnages including the weight of the container); furniture reported in cubic metres and freight reported in litres have been converted to approximate tonne equivalents.

8. A significant number of businesses did not have records of tonnes moved by origin/destination. In these instances respondents were asked to provide estimates on the basis of experience over a typical short period.

9. The geographical boundaries used for this collection closely approximate the Statistical Divisions/Districts of the centres designated in this publication, with the exception of Other Interstate. Other Interstate includes locations other than those designated (i.e. combined rest of New South Wales, Victoria, Queensland, South Australia, Western Australia and Northern Territory).

Related publications

10. Users may also wish to refer to the following interstate freight movement publication which is available on request:

Interstate Freight Movement, Australia, 1985-86 (9212.0)

11. Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the *Catalogue of Publications, Australia (1101.0)*. The ABS also issues, on Tuesdays and Fridays, a *Publications Advice (1105.0)* which lists publications to be released in the next few days. The Catalogue and Publications Advice are available from any ABS office.

12. Users may also wish to refer to the results from the 1980-81 Interstate Freight Movement Census which are contained in the publication *Interstate Freight Movement, Australia, 1980-81 (9212.0)*.

Symbols and other usages

- .. not applicable
- nil or rounded to zero
- n.p. not available for publication but included in totals where applicable
- r figure or series revised since previous issue.

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(Tonnes)

Origin	Quarter—	Destination										Other Interstate	Total
		Sydney	Newcastle	Wollongong	Melbourne	Geelong	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Tasmania	Darwin	Canberra	
Sydney	1985-86—												
	March	..	..	..	198,619	3,577	118,967	53,763	16,121	1,446	2,430	35,844	44,114
	June	..	..	..	215,703	3,191	121,843	51,281	17,793	1,376	2,737	36,340	35,205
	1986-87—												
	September	..	..	..	214,634	2,681	117,902	55,314	17,180	2,320	2,209	38,179	32,216
	December	..	..	..	207,303	2,652	121,425	63,771	18,701	2,304	2,642	39,808	41,717
Newcastle	1985-86—												
	March	..	..	..	237,037	3,251	104,200	55,020	20,517	1,344	2,491	36,709	404,013
	June	..	..	..	245,513	2,668	104,457	58,220	17,559	1,634	2,582	40,295	34,974
	1986-87—												
	September	..	..	..	18,976	4,694	19,733	6,077	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	13,372
	December	..	..	..	21,462	6,907	16,088	4,093	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	14,985
Wollongong	1985-86—												
	March	..	..	..	21,807	n.p.	20,396	4,511	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	19,196
	June	..	..	..	21,059	2,453	17,821	3,443	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	17,200
	1986-87—												
	September	..	..	..	17,318	4,324	16,708	3,830	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	26,873
	December	..	..	..	15,231	5,726	14,946	2,941	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	16,724
Melbourne	1985-86—												
	March	..	..	..	20,329	n.p.	5,471	4,157	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	9,074
	June	..	..	..	35,109	n.p.	3,391	3,112	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	8,220
	1986-87—												
	September	..	..	..	41,537	n.p.	2,559	3,279	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	11,272
	December	..	..	..	36,543	58	3,426	3,061	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	9,168
Geelong	1985-86—												
	March	..	..	..	17,318	4,324	16,708	3,830	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	26,873
	June	..	..	..	15,231	5,726	14,946	2,941	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	16,724
	1986-87—												
	September	..	..	..	41,537	n.p.	2,559	3,279	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	11,272
	December	..	..	..	36,543	58	3,426	3,061	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	9,168
Brisbane	1985-86—												
	March	..	..	..	17,318	4,324	16,708	3,830	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	26,873
	June	..	..	..	15,231	5,726	14,946	2,941	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	16,724
	1986-87—												
	September	..	..	..	41,537	n.p.	2,559	3,279	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	11,272
	December	..	..	..	36,543	58	3,426	3,061	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	9,168
Adelaide	1985-86—												
	March	..	..	..	17,318	4,324	16,708	3,830	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	26,873
	June	..	..	..	15,231	5,726	14,946	2,941	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	16,724
	1986-87—												
	September	..	..	..	41,537	n.p.	2,559	3,279	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	11,272
	December	..	..	..	36,543	58	3,426	3,061	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	9,168
Perth	1985-86—												
	March	..	..	..	17,318	4,324	16,708	3,830	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	26,873
	June	..	..	..	15,231	5,726	14,946	2,941	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	16,724
	1986-87—												
	September	..	..	..	41,537	n.p.	2,559	3,279	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	11,272
	December	..	..	..	36,543	58	3,426	3,061	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	9,168
Darwin	1985-86—												
	March	..	..	..	17,318	4,324	16,708	3,830	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	26,873
	June	..	..	..	15,231	5,726	14,946	2,941	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	16,724
	1986-87—												
	September	..	..	..	41,537	n.p.	2,559	3,279	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	11,272
	December	..	..	..	36,543	58	3,426	3,061	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	9,168
Canberra	1985-86—												
	March	..	..	..	17,318	4,324	16,708	3,830	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	26,873
	June	..	..	..	15,231	5,726	14,946	2,941	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	16,724
	1986-87—												
	September	..	..	..	41,537	n.p.	2,559	3,279	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	11,272
	December	..	..	..	36,543	58	3,426	3,061	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	9,168
Tasmania	1985-86—												
	March	..	..	..	17,318	4,324	16,708	3,830	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	26,873
	June	..	..	..	15,231	5,726	14,946	2,941	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	16,724
	1986-87—												
	September	..	..	..	41,537	n.p.	2,559	3,279	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	11,272
	December	..	..	..	36,543	58	3,426	3,061	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	9,168
Other Interstate	1985-86—												
	March	..	..	..	17,318	4,324	16,708	3,830	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	26,873
	June	..	..	..	15,231	5,726	14,946	2,941	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	16,724
	1986-87—												
	September	..	..	..	41,537	n.p.	2,559	3,279	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	11,272
	December	..	..	..	36,543	58	3,426	3,061	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	9,168

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(Tonnes)

Origin	Quarter—	Destination												Other Interstate	Total
		Sydney	Newcastle	Wollongong	Melbourne	Geelong	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Tasmania	Darwin	Canberra			
Perth	1985-86— March	6,924	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	2,556	3,803	..	n.p.	n.p.	227	n.p.	23,616	
	June	6,169	n.p.	n.p.	6,325	n.p.	2,250	3,293	..	n.p.	n.p.	256	n.p.	26,273	
	1986-87— September	7,673	n.p.	n.p.	8,110	n.p.	2,156	5,661	..	n.p.	n.p.	254	n.p.	27,191	
	December	8,309	n.p.	n.p.	9,280	n.p.	3,301	5,158	..	n.p.	n.p.	208	n.p.	29,436	
Tasmania	1985-86— March	7,655	n.p.	n.p.	9,625	n.p.	3,536	6,196	..	n.p.	n.p.	338	n.p.	30,995	
	June	8,698	136	54	8,854	n.p.	2,936	11,674	..	n.p.	n.p.	338	780	37,267	
	1986-87— September	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	..	..	121	242	n.p.	..	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	
	December	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	..	..	338	338	n.p.	..	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	
Darwin	1985-86— March	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	..	..	n.p.	195	n.p.	..	30	n.p.	n.p.	926	
	June	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	..	..	44	195	n.p.	..	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	685	
	1986-87— September	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	..	..	121	242	n.p.	..	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	
	December	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	..	..	n.p.	338	n.p.	..	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	
Canberra	1985-86— March	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	..	..	n.p.	n.p.	181	..	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	1,674	
	June	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	..	..	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	..	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	
	1986-87— September	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	..	..	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	..	..	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	
	December	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	..	..	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	..	..	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	
Other Interstate	1985-86— March	17,572	53	272	4,974	n.p.	1,856	526	260	n.p.	n.p.	..	5,251	31,033	
	June	18,101	n.p.	190	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	198	64	63	..	3,653	27,946	
	1986-87— September	14,944	n.p.	239	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	530	n.p.	n.p.	75	..	2,826	22,242	
	December	11,176	157	239	n.p.	n.p.	969	521	202	n.p.	54	..	6,595	24,943	
Total	1985-86— March	7,421	84	229	n.p.	n.p.	1,169	567	206	32	79	..	805	13,874	
	June	7,564	n.p.	192	n.p.	51	2,443	571	196	32	73	..	2,957	18,512	
	1986-87— September	91,392	3,761	268	134,712	44,445	53,569	47,218	1,560	n.p.	n.p.	9,852	56,515	443,777	
	December	92,721	3,917	519	146,232	67,991	57,395	33,927	2,774	420	238	7,532	84,494	498,160	
Total	1985-86— March	84,501	9,892	399	138,662	n.p.	46,158	41,743	4,245	n.p.	n.p.	3,360	86,545	436,874	
	June	79,326	10,177	646	163,532	n.p.	46,318	39,917	4,607	289	212	2,947	65,577	463,559	
	1986-87— September	72,088	10,221	447	185,261	n.p.	48,690	42,180	4,634	n.p.	n.p.	2,542	67,753	440,962	
	December	73,435	2,890	333	213,011	2,807	69,889	41,377	6,888	n.p.	n.p.	3,346	99,847	514,090	
Total	1985-86— March	500,094	14,399	6,818	513,370	68,060	304,327	260,050	49,110	3,490	12,092	86,392	316,296	2,134,498	
	June	522,249	15,020	8,613	550,154	96,222	309,161	241,003	51,840	3,223	15,911	79,083	348,476	2,233,495	
	1986-87— September	529,141	32,825	8,634	557,755	50,648	296,275	253,696	56,863	4,083	14,165	66,630	329,501	2,199,336	
	December	498,612	22,244	9,851	585,629	161,173	308,984	271,961	59,614	4,839	14,488	73,083	338,371	2,248,449	
Total	1985-86— March	464,292	22,157	8,697	611,617	32,384	276,184	245,480	57,717	3,815	13,478	64,167	335,251	2,111,251	
	June	501,633	14,388	6,995	674,833	35,742	306,628	257,404	64,727	3,896	17,719	70,493	346,287	2,299,857	