

BUILDING MATERIALS, OCTOBER, 1958

The information set out below has been compiled from returns of establishments engaged in your industry, and indicates the current production of the commodities listed. The figures for 1957-58 and later periods are subject to revision.

AUSTRALIAN PRODUCTION STATISTICS

Period	Portland Cement	Bricks		Roofing Tiles		Asbestos Cement Sheets	Fibrous Plaster		Sawn Native Timber
		Clay	Silica Lime	Terra-Cotta	Cement		Sheets	Acoustic Tiles	
	tons	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000 sq. yds.	'000 sq. yds.		Mill. sup. ft.
Year : 1955-56	2,034,554	840,343	18,153	64,746	53,782	26,679	18,125	(a)	1,450
1956-57	2,172,518	805,069	19,832	57,673	44,595	25,444	16,257	(a)	1,419
1957-58	2,319,762	*883,239	21,712	59,417	48,320	26,276	*16,796	(a)	1,400
Four months ended October, 1958	860,554	339,627	7,533	21,060	17,511	9,364	6,279	66.1	(b)
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Month 1957: October	201,957	82,660	2,178	5,538	4,516	2,236	*1,615	(a)	131.6
November	200,849	79,401	3,180	5,123	4,259	2,563	*1,508	(a)	125.7
December	169,164	61,474	1,309	4,137	3,148	1,692	*1,130	(a)	110.8
1958: January	166,612	56,124	1,230	3,767	3,087	1,352	*1,105	(a)	98.2
February	177,728	69,843	1,621	4,925	4,114	2,217	*1,421	(a)	109.4
March	199,607	74,234	1,654	4,938	4,140	2,500	*1,388	(a)	120.6
April	195,716	72,955	1,545	4,983	3,929	2,037	*1,388	(a)	107.9
May	208,911	*82,766	1,706	5,235	4,429	2,772	*1,503	(a)	123.4
June	205,650	*75,364	1,556	4,936	3,980	2,081	*1,405	(a)	122.2
July	208,727	*87,260	1,803	5,392	4,324	2,353	*1,596	*16.5	124.4
August	215,157	*79,724	1,818	*4,959	4,084	2,553	1,506	*16.2	(b)
September	212,735	*86,663	1,938	*5,145	4,419	2,184	*1,564	*16.0	(b)
October	223,935	85,980	1,974	5,564	4,684	2,274	1,613	17.4	(b)

(a) Not available.

(b) Not yet available.

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