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CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BY PRIVATE BUSINESSES IN AUSTRALIA  
SEPTEMBER QUARTER, 1966 (PRELIMINARY)

This bulletin contains preliminary estimates of capital expenditure by private businesses in the September quarter, 1966, as well as figures for earlier periods for comparison. These preliminary estimates may be revised in a further bulletin which will be published in January, 1967.

2. Estimates of capital expenditure are based on returns obtained from a sample of businesses subject to pay-roll tax, supplemented by returns from other businesses which are known to be undertaking capital expenditure projects involving expenditure of \$500,000 or more in a six-monthly period. Preliminary estimates are based on a large response from this sample.

3. Further information relating to the basis of the statistics is contained in bulletin S.B. 520 "Capital and Maintenance Expenditure by Private Businesses in Australia", for June quarter, 1966, issued on 31st October, 1966.

**TABLE 1. - NON-CAPITAL EXPENDITURES BY INDUSTRY**  
**THREE QUARTERS, 1964 TO THREE QUARTERS, 1965**  
 (\$ million)

Industry Group	1964		1965		1964		1965		Ratio 1965 1964	Ratio 1965 1964
	Value (\$ mil.)	Per cent Total	Value (\$ mil.)	Per cent Total	Value (\$ mil.)	Per cent Total	Value (\$ mil.)	Per cent Total		
<b>Manufacturing</b>										
Engineering, designing, drawing	19.2	27.0	31.4	34.9	35.2	36.1	44.9	38.9	54.7	61.1
Engineering (a)	26.2	21.0	29.5	23.5	34.0	29.5	32.6	25.1	34.6	30.4
Machinery (a)	21.4	21.0	26.6	16.4	25.7	21.8	22.5	19.5	16.1	9.4
Machinery (b)	25.7	30.0	32.3	27.6	34.2	31.1	43.2	33.0	41.6	40.2
Machinery (c)	5.0	5.0	7.3	8.6	9.9	10.7	10.4	8.7	11.2	6.3
Textile and clothing	30.1	28.4	35.6	33.1	43.6	40.2	41.9	29.0	35.8	32.9
Food, drink and tobacco	23.9	10.3	15.3	11.8	17.2	13.2	15.3	13.3	18.7	12.5
Paper and printing	23.9	20.8	28.3	21.9	25.3	28.6	27.5	25.8	29.4	26.7
Other manufacturing (a)	176.0	171.4	206.3	162.0	225.1	211.2	238.3	193.3	242.1	219.5
<b>Non-manufacturing</b>										
Transportation	55.4	55.4	56.2	44.7	67.0	63.1	71.1	51.6	62.4	59.3
Mining	21.5	15.1	19.7	19.7	51.2	23.1	55.9	12.7	58.5	49.2
Transport (a)	21.7	20.0	41.2	34.7	25.4	36.1	39.2	26.7	28.7	30.6
Other non-manufacturing (a)	52.1	55.8	51.9	55.8	65.1	67.3	70.7	64.4	69.9	65.2
Total, non-manufacturing	150.7	146.9	171.0	140.9	208.7	224.6	236.9	195.4	219.5	205.0
<b>All Industries</b>	331.7	318.3	377.3	305.0	433.8	435.8	475.2	388.7	461.6	424.5

- (a) Subject to revision.  
 (b) Engineering, metalworking, electrical equipment.  
 (c) Vehicles, aircraft and ships, cars and accessories. Includes assembly and repairs.  
 (d) Chemicals, fertilizers, paints, explosives, cosmetics and oil refining.  
 (e) Sawmilling, furniture, plastics, leather, rubber, wool.  
 (f) Road, rail and air transport (including government airlines), shipping and warehousing.  
 (g) Building, construction, banking (including government banks), insurance, other finance and property, amusement, hotels, clubs, personal services, etc.

**TABLE 2. - NON-CAPITAL EXPENDITURES BY KIND OF BUILDING**  
**THREE QUARTERS, 1964 TO THREE QUARTERS, 1965**  
 (\$ million)

Capital Expenditure on -	1964		1965		1964		1965		Ratio 1965 1964	Ratio 1965 1964
	Value (\$ mil.)	Per cent Total	Value (\$ mil.)	Per cent Total	Value (\$ mil.)	Per cent Total	Value (\$ mil.)	Per cent Total		
<b>New Buildings and Structures (a)</b>	107.4	105.0	123.1	98.2	130.0	140.4	155.0	118.3	157.3	146.3
<b>Other New Capital Expenditure (a)</b>	222.6	212.7	251.2	210.6	298.7	305.4	316.3	270.4	304.3	278.2
<b>Total New Capital Expenditure</b>	331.7	318.3	377.3	308.8	433.8	435.8	475.2	388.7	461.6	424.5

- (a) Subject to revision.  
 (b) Includes assets such as buildings, wharves, railway and harbour construction, roads and also lifts, heating and ventilation equipment and the like forming an integral part of the structure.  
 (c) Includes all machinery and equipment including vehicles, aircraft and ships, and such items as new motors, lathes, office equipment and fixtures.

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NOTE. - Inquiries concerning these statistics may be made in Canada by telephoning 639111 Extension 2190 or, in each State capital, by telephoning the office of the Bureau of Census and Statistics.