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REGISTRATIONS OF NEW MOTOR VEHICLES : AUSTRALIA, NOVEMBER 1975
(PRELIMINARY)

MAIN FEATURES

- Registrations of new motor vehicles (excluding motor cycles, tractors, trailers, plant etc.) during November 1975 (41,095) fell by 19.0% when compared with October 1975.
- In seasonally adjusted, terms, the November 1975 figure of 41,120 fell 10.1% when compared with October 1975, (but see paragraphs 2 to 4 below).

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

The statistics in this preliminary statement are derived from information as recorded on registration documents. The figures include vehicles with diplomatic and consular plates and Australian Government-owned new vehicles other than those belonging to the defence services. In these statistics 'registrations' in some cases means registrations processed by the motor vehicle registration authorities in the States and Territories during the period.

2. In New South Wales, Victoria, Queensland, and the Northern Territory, advice of registrations are often not received by the central motor vehicle registration authority until sometime after the actual date of registration. For this reason a considerable number of registrations processed in a month actually relate to vehicles registered prior to that month.

3. In other States and the Australian Capital Territory the figures depart little from actual registrations during the period.

4. It is estimated the Australian figure for November 1975 includes 23% of vehicles actually registered in prior months.

5. The monthly bulletin *Registrations of New Motor Vehicles, Make of Vehicle : Australia* (Reference No. 14.8) containing information on make and horsepower of motor vehicles registered during the month to which this statement refers will be issued at a later date.

Seasonally adjusted

6. Original and seasonally adjusted registrations of new motor vehicles are shown in Table 1. 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. Details of the methods used in seasonally adjusting the component series, are shown in *Seasonally Adjusted Indicators*, 1975 (Reference No. 1.10).

Scope

7. The boundary between light commercial type vehicles and trucks has been defined by confining the former to vehicles with a carrying capacity of less than 1 tonne. Because of the absence of details of carrying capacity on the registration records in certain States, it has been necessary to impute carrying capacity by reference to R.A.C. horsepower rating in order to ensure consistent treatment across Australia in these statistics. This affects some vehicles in the vicinity of 1 tonne carrying capacity.

8. In all States, 'capital city' registrations refer to vehicles for which the address of the registered owner is located within the capital city statistical division as defined for the 1971 Population and Housing Census. All registrations in the Australian Capital Territory are included under 'capital city' while those in the Northern Territory are included under 'other areas'.

9. Particulars of registrations of new tractors, plant and equipment, and caravans and trailers are shown in Table 5. Many tractors, particularly the agricultural types, and items of plant and equipment, are not registered and therefore are not included in this table. The extent to which they are included varies from State to State.

Symbols used in this bulletin

- p — preliminary
- r — revised
- ... — nil or not applicable
- — break in continuity of series (where drawn across a column between two consecutive figures)

TABLE 1. - NEW MOTOR VEHICLES, MONTHLY TOTALS, ORIGINAL AND SEASONALLY ADJUSTED : AUSTRALIA

	Motor cars and station wagons		Other vehicles (a)		Total (a)	
	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted
1974 -						
October	46,263	41,419	11,190	9,930	57,453	51,349
November	40,698	39,809	10,074	9,687	50,772	49,496
December	34,464	35,843	8,864	9,674	43,328	45,517
1975 -						
January	30,445	33,776	7,830	9,042	38,275	42,818
February	44,388	50,932	9,185	10,900	53,573	61,832
March	44,421	48,016	9,554	11,016	53,975	59,032
April	51,553	53,153	11,246	10,431	62,799	63,584
May	42,654	38,048	11,134	9,858	53,788	47,906
June	38,181	38,820	10,327	10,306	48,508	49,126
July	43,333	39,318	11,713	10,706	55,046	50,024
August	39,422	39,799	10,753	10,626	50,175	50,425
September	34,028	33,004	9,940	9,694	43,968	42,698
October r	39,576	35,920	11,173	9,839	50,749	45,759
November p	31,771	31,699	9,324	9,421	41,095	41,120

(a) Excludes motor cycles and tractors, plant and equipment etc.

TABLE 2. - NEW MOTOR VEHICLES, BY TYPE : AUSTRALIA

	Motor cars		Light commercial type vehicles		Trucks (carrying capacity 1 tonne and over)		Other truck type vehicles	Buses	Total (excludes motor cycles)	Motor cycles
	Station wagons		open	closed	rigid	articulated				
Year -										
1970	358,181	54,880	35,881	19,701	29,476		1,289	2,190	501,598	32,701
1971	362,669	54,555	33,822	22,908	26,900		1,263	2,394	504,511	48,786
1972	353,924	51,928	38,526	23,513	26,869	2,913	340	2,047	500,060	54,641
1973	402,123	57,802	43,118	30,879	31,242	3,878	375	2,441	571,858	77,222
1974	413,674	61,924	43,932	32,259	30,131	3,473	392	2,733	588,518	80,538
1974 -										
October	40,256	6,007	4,371	3,161	2,978	338	46	296	57,453	6,830
November	35,398	5,300	3,594	2,808	3,069	286	38	279	50,772	6,248
December	29,255	5,209	3,358	2,548	2,468	230	30	230	43,328	5,541
1975 -										
January	26,173	4,272	2,840	2,333	2,169	232	47	209	38,275	5,811
February	38,740	5,648	3,544	2,907	2,314	207	37	176	53,573	5,873
March	38,364	6,057	3,573	3,029	2,489	236	30	197	53,975	5,154
April	44,313	7,240	4,044	3,597	2,948	341	31	285	62,799	4,972
May	36,306	6,348	3,910	3,390	3,079	385	35	335	53,788	4,937
June	32,635	5,546	3,568	2,943	3,150	330	32	304	48,508	4,287
July	36,605	6,728	4,007	3,425	3,512	353	36	380	55,046	5,467
August	33,285	6,137	3,672	3,221	3,180	313	22	345	50,175	5,090
September	28,748	5,280	3,238	2,971	3,079	312	23	317	43,968	5,474
October r	33,374	6,202	3,583	3,439	3,417	345	51	338	50,749	6,594
November p	26,618	5,153	2,875	2,749	3,084	293	36	287	41,095	4,718

TABLE 3. - NEW MOTOR VEHICLES (a)

	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aust.
Year -									
1970	188,997	132,032	61,963	45,447	48,351	14,119	3,308	7,381	501,598
1971	191,239	127,283	66,742	43,979	49,391	14,437	3,750	7,690	504,511
1972	187,365	126,525	71,248	44,142	44,651	14,770	3,356	8,003	500,060
1973	211,580	142,495	83,289	51,865	52,511	16,661	3,954	9,503	571,858
1974	220,397	148,232	80,224	55,538	51,695	18,004	4,537	9,891	588,518
1974 -									
October	21,901	14,401	7,565	5,621	4,731	1,755	503	976	57,453
November	19,947	12,142	6,939	5,017	4,679	1,732	542	774	50,772
December	16,126	10,819	5,941	3,906	3,710	1,631	421	774	43,328
1975 -									
January	13,765	9,021	5,992	3,459	3,895	1,195	218	730	38,275
February	19,694	12,773	7,405	5,922	5,031	1,615	152	981	53,573
March	19,599	13,120	7,418	5,872	4,973	1,747	336	910	53,975
April	23,143	15,723	7,706	6,945	5,664	2,116	191	1,311	62,799
May	19,486	15,376	6,619	4,527	4,857	1,592	321	1,010	53,788
June	16,079	14,632	5,901	4,564	4,245	1,488	629	970	48,508
July	18,412	13,858	9,856	4,730	4,826	1,628	688	1,048	55,046
August	16,750	12,076	8,779	4,534	4,863	1,643	738	792	50,175
September	15,074	11,391	6,808	4,201	3,986	1,252	462	794	43,968
October	16,721	12,704	8,548	4,681	4,961	1,572	595	967	50,749
November p	14,564	10,124	5,099	4,210	4,260	1,855	237	746	41,095

(a) Excludes motor cycles and tractors, plant and equipment etc.

TABLE 4. - NEW MOTOR VEHICLES, BY TYPE : STATES, NOVEMBER 1975 p

Type of vehicle	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia	
									Capital cities	Total
Motor cars	9,435	7,074	2,963	2,884	2,364	1,367	61	470	18,146	26,618
Station wagons	1,909	1,216	650	479	588	165	29	117	3,677	5,153
Light commercial type vehicles -										
open	862	563	551	297	428	95	47	32	1,500	2,875
closed	995	621	346	239	368	108	12	60	1,796	2,749
Trucks (carrying capacity										
1 tonne and over) -										
rigid	1,121	537	543	246	431	84	83	39	1,499	3,084
articulated	109	52	35	36	47	13	..	1	139	293
Other truck type vehicles	13	8	..	7	5	2	1	..	22	36
Buses	120	53	11	22	29	21	4	27	191	287
Capital cities	8,814	7,760	3,100	3,010	2,828	712	..	746	26,970	26,970
Other areas	5,750	2,364	1,999	1,200	1,432	1,143	237	..	..	14,125
Total (excl. motor cycles)	14,564	10,124	5,099	4,210	4,260	1,855	237	746	26,970	41,095
Motor cycles	1,621	643	927	688	580	164	35	60	2,215	4,718

TABLE 5. - NEW TRACTORS, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT,
CARAVANS AND TRAILERS : NOVEMBER 1975 p

Type of vehicle	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aust.
Tractors	16	145	155	25	81	23	4	1	450
Plant and equipment	86	91	22	30	108	10	6	3	356
Caravans	794	885	237	484	159	95	63	56	2,773
Trailers	2,644	1,155	1,326	1,119	1,030	473	36	222	8,005
Capital cities	1,880	1,267	859	1,194	867	207	..	282	6,556
Other areas	1,660	1,009	881	464	511	394	109	..	5,028
Total	3,540	2,276	1,740	1,658	1,378	601	109	282	11,584

TABLE 6. - NEW MOTOR VEHICLES, BY TYPE : STATES
ELEVEN MONTHS ENDED NOVEMBER 1975p AND 1974

Type of vehicle	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia	
									Capital cities	Total
Motor cars	132,878	100,348	49,948	38,840	32,236	12,236	1,628	7,047	246,356	375,161
Station wagons	23,130	16,494	9,479	5,444	6,199	1,889	651	1,325	43,768	64,611
Light commercial type vehicles -										
open	12,551	7,615	7,940	3,495	4,738	1,151	828	536	17,769	38,854
closed	12,140	7,989	5,034	2,623	4,116	1,167	270	665	22,419	34,004
Trucks (carrying capacity										
1 tonne and over) -										
rigid	10,221	6,589	6,998	2,572	3,573	932	1,092	444	16,139	32,421
articulated	1,037	893	505	404	313	123	43	29	1,364	3,347
Other truck type vehicles	128	133	19	24	50	14	9	3	272	380
Buses	1,202	737	208	243	336	191	46	210	2,005	3,173
Capital cities	116,507	101,958	39,232	37,777	36,829	7,530	..	10,259	350,092	551,951
Other areas	76,780	38,840	40,899	15,868	14,732	10,173	4,567	..	..	201,859
Total (excl. motor cycles) -										
1975p	193,287	140,798	80,131	53,645	51,561	17,703	4,567	10,259	350,092	551,951
1974	204,271	137,413	74,283	51,632	47,985	16,373	4,116	9,117	345,030	545,190
Motor cycles -										
1975p	18,570	8,005	15,038	7,259	5,700	2,081	877	847	25,256	58,377
1974	28,377	9,205	16,699	8,958	6,612	2,786	1,353	1,007	31,804	74,997

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