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CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BY PRIVATE BUSINESSES IN AUSTRALIADECEMBER QUARTER, 1965 (PRELIMINARY)

This bulletin contains preliminary estimates of capital expenditure by private businesses in the December quarter, 1965, as well as figures for earlier periods for comparison. These preliminary estimates may be revised in a further bulletin which will be published in April, 1966.

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. 282 "Capital and Maintenance Expenditure by Private Businesses in Australia", for June quarter, 1965, issued on 26th October, 1965.
4. In this issue all amounts have been converted to decimal currency
(1 pound = 2 dollars).

TABLE 1. - NEW CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BY INDUSTRY
SEPTEMBER QUARTER, 1963 TO DECEMBER QUARTER, 1965

Industry Group	(£ million)									
	1963-64				1964-65				1965-66	
	Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.	March Qtr.	June Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.	March Qtr.	June Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.
Manufacturing										
Extracting, refining, founding	25.4	22.6	22.5	29.2	27.0	31.4	24.9	35.2	36.1	42.5
Engineering (b)	20.4	24.3	17.8	26.2	21.5	29.5	23.5	34.0	29.5	31.1
Vehicles (c)	11.2	16.3	15.6	21.4	23.8	26.6	16.0	25.7	21.8	21.1
Chemicals (d)	22.5	28.7	19.9	29.7	32.9	32.3	27.0	34.2	31.1	43.4
Textiles and clothing	4.9	7.9	6.0	6.0	6.3	7.3	8.6	9.9	10.7	9.7
Food, drink and tobacco	21.3	25.9	23.0	30.1	28.4	35.6	33.1	43.6	40.2	41.7
Paper and printing	11.1	14.4	10.3	11.4	10.9	15.3	11.8	17.2	13.2	15.7
Other manufacturing (e)	19.1	18.8	17.6	22.0	20.8	28.3	21.9	25.3	28.4	29.1
Total, Manufacturing	135.9	156.9	133.5	176.0	171.4	206.3	168.0	225.1	211.2	234.3
Non-manufacturing										
Wholesale and retail trade	58.4	55.0	44.1	63.4	53.8	56.2	44.7	67.0	68.1	74.8
Mining	15.8	15.5	14.8	21.5	15.9	19.7	19.7	51.2	53.1	56.6
Transport (f)	15.2	19.3	18.0	21.7	29.4	41.2	30.6	25.4	36.1	41.1
Other non-manufacturing (g)	41.7	50.7	35.0	52.1	47.0	53.7	45.0	65.1	67.3	65.2
Total, Non-manufacturing	131.1	140.5	111.9	155.7	146.9	171.0	140.0	203.7	224.6	237.7
All Industries	267.0	299.4	245.4	331.7	318.3	377.3	308.8	433.8	435.8	472.0

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

TABLE 2. - NEW CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BY TYPE OF ASSET
SEPTEMBER QUARTER, 1963 TO DECEMBER QUARTER, 1965

Capital Expenditure on -	1963-64				1964-65				1965-66	
	Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.	March Qtr.	June Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.	March Qtr.	June Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.
New Buildings and Structures (b)	100.9	115.1	90.2	107.1	105.6	123.1	96.2	138.8	149.4	161.6
Other New Capital Equipment (c)	165.1	184.3	155.2	224.6	212.7	254.2	210.6	295.0	286.4	310.4
Total New Capital Expenditure	267.0	299.4	245.4	331.7	318.3	377.3	306.8	433.8	435.8	472.0

- (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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