

# PRODUCTION SUMMARY NO. 35 : BED BASES (a) AND MATTRESSES AUSTRALIA : MAY 1975

The figures for 1971-72 are derived from Annual Factory Census. All other annual figures are derived from the recorded monthly production and are subject to revision.

TABLE 1. — BED BASES  
(Number)

| Period                | Box spring      |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |
|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
|                       | N.S.W.          |                 |                 | Vic.            |                 |                 | Other States    |                 |                 |
|                       | (844.02)<br>(b) | (844.05)<br>(c) | (844.07)<br>(d) | (844.02)<br>(b) | (844.05)<br>(c) | (844.07)<br>(d) | (844.02)<br>(b) | (844.05)<br>(c) | (844.07)<br>(d) |
| 1971-72               | 36,493          | 39,918          | 6,594           | 27,856          | 42,054          | 9,012           | 17,581          | 22,553          | 4,176           |
| 1972-73               | 37,925          | 46,829          | 9,569           | 41,248          | 47,893          | 13,598          | 22,512          | 29,679          | 6,283           |
| 1973-74               | 37,811          | 48,869          | 12,575          | 39,251          | 51,811          | 18,848          | 27,192          | 36,961          | 9,656           |
| 1974 —                |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |
| April                 | 3,377           | 3,627           | 1,304           | 3,025           | 3,993           | 1,936           | 2,172           | 2,799           | 1,029           |
| May                   | 3,292           | 4,045           | 1,264           | 3,956           | 4,985           | 1,862           | 2,151           | 3,215           | 980             |
| June                  | 2,976           | 3,664           | 925             | 2,986           | 3,618           | 1,426           | 1,918           | 2,813           | 851             |
| July                  | 3,724           | 4,259           | 1,176           | 3,222           | 3,657           | 1,485           | 2,211           | 3,236           | 814             |
| August                | 3,790           | 4,275           | 1,205           | 2,590           | 3,748           | 1,367           | 2,524           | 2,868           | 914             |
| September             | 2,712           | 3,948           | 1,083           | 3,036           | 3,948           | 1,408           | 1,911           | 2,483           | 705             |
| October               | 3,585           | 4,284           | 1,322           | 3,594           | 4,692           | 1,525           | 2,070           | 2,837           | 711             |
| November              | 2,941           | 3,761           | 1,209           | 3,437           | 4,225           | 1,581           | 1,925           | 2,876           | 791             |
| December              | 2,228           | 2,816           | 909             | 2,956           | 3,969           | 1,305           | 1,975           | 2,642           | 691             |
| 1975 —                |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |
| January               | 1,357           | 2,140           | 742             | 1,948           | 2,216           | 1,028           | 1,077           | 1,592           | 416             |
| February              | 3,034           | 3,780           | 1,199           | 2,587           | 3,187           | 1,105           | 1,991           | 2,783           | 669             |
| March                 | 2,666           | 4,064           | 1,173           | 3,755           | 3,699           | 1,242           | 1,908           | 2,705           | 769             |
| April                 | 2,487           | 3,917           | 1,257           | 3,665           | 4,376           | 1,733           | 2,290           | 2,888           | 871             |
| May                   | 2,909           | 4,311           | 1,161           | 3,411           | 4,554           | 1,259           | 2,157           | 2,982           | 883             |
| 1973-74 : July to May | 34,835          | 45,205          | 11,650          | 36,265          | 48,193          | 17,422          | 25,274          | 34,148          | 8,805           |
| 1974-75 : July to May | 31,443          | 41,575          | 12,436          | 34,201          | 42,271          | 15,038          | 22,122          | 29,892          | 8,234           |

Box spring — continued

| Box spring - continued |           |          |          |          |         |                                  |        |              |         |           |
|------------------------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|---------|----------------------------------|--------|--------------|---------|-----------|
| Period                 | Australia |          |          | N. S. W. | Vic.    | Woven wire, link mesh and spring |        |              |         | Australia |
|                        | (844.02)  | (844.05) | (844.07) |          |         | Old                              | S.A.   | Other States |         |           |
|                        | (b)       | (c)      | (d)      |          |         | (844.12,15,17)                   |        |              |         |           |
| 1971-72                | 81,930    | 104,525  | 19,782   | 280,589  | 153,592 | 90,730                           | 50,967 | 42,745       | 618,623 |           |
| 1972-73                | 101,685   | 124,401  | 29,450   | 287,895  | 127,703 | 103,032                          | 43,459 | 54,179       | 616,270 |           |
| 1973-74                | 104,254   | 137,641  | 41,079   | 280,012  | 133,014 | 109,912                          | 41,664 | 63,915       | 628,517 |           |
| 1974 -                 |           |          |          |          |         |                                  |        |              |         |           |
| April                  | 8,574     | 10,419   | 4,269    | 21,402   | 10,293  | 8,202                            | 2,928  | 4,269        | 47,094  |           |
| May                    | 9,399     | 12,245   | 4,106    | 34,775   | 10,393  | 8,481                            | 3,618  | 6,345        | 63,612  |           |
| June                   | 7,881     | 10,095   | 3,202    | 15,842   | 8,783   | 8,296                            | 2,358  | 5,254        | 40,513  |           |
| July                   | 9,170     | 11,152   | 3,475    | 16,840   | 9,971   | 8,574                            | 3,790  | 6,106        | 45,281  |           |
| August                 | 8,934     | 10,891   | 3,486    | 13,697   | 8,354   | 4,683                            | 2,276  | 4,077        | 33,087  |           |
| September              | 7,659     | 10,379   | 3,196    | 15,092   | 7,851   | 5,794                            | 2,492  | 4,809        | 36,038  |           |
| October                | 9,249     | 11,813   | 3,558    | 17,368   | 9,666   | 6,087                            | 2,976  | 4,323        | 40,420  |           |
| November               | 8,303     | 10,862   | 3,581    | 21,961   | 9,097   | 7,890                            | 2,976  | 4,308        | 46,232  |           |
| December               | 7,159     | 9,427    | 2,905    | 14,532   | 6,917   | 4,870                            | 2,773  | 4,086        | 33,178  |           |
| 1975 -                 |           |          |          |          |         |                                  |        |              |         |           |
| January                | 4,382     | 5,948    | 2,186    | 4,570    | 5,101   | 4,213                            | 2,233  | 3,798        | 19,915  |           |
| February               | 7,612     | 9,750    | 2,973    | 17,933   | 8,544   | 5,916                            | 1,956  | 4,131        | 38,480  |           |
| March                  | 8,409     | 10,488   | 3,184    | 17,265   | 7,813   | 6,009                            | 3,012  | 4,078        | 38,177  |           |
| April                  | 8,442     | 11,181   | 3,861    | 16,944   | 9,928   | 6,222                            | 2,953  | 4,119        | 40,166  |           |
| May                    | 8,477     | 11,847   | 3,303    | 18,179   | 11,051  | 7,759                            | 3,417  | 4,985        | 45,391  |           |
| 1973-74 : July to May  | 96,374    | 127,546  | 37,877   | 264,170  | 124,231 | 101,616                          | 39,326 | 58,661       | 588,004 |           |
| 1974-75 : July to May  | 87,766    | 113,738  | 35,708   | 174,381  | 94,293  | 68,017                           | 30,854 | 48,820       | 416,365 |           |

(a) Excludes unsprung bed platforms. (b) Width of 107 cm and under. (c) Width of 107 cm up to and including 138 cm. (d) Width over 138 cm.

TABLE 2. — INNER SPRING MATTRESSES  
(Number)

| Period                | N.S.W.       |              |              | Vic.         |              |              | Qld          |              |              |
|-----------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
|                       | (844.22) (a) | (844.25) (b) | (844.27) (c) | (844.22) (a) | (844.25) (b) | (844.27) (c) | (844.22) (a) | (844.25) (b) | (844.27) (c) |
| 1971-72               | 172,082      | 94,835       | 6,651        | 122,805      | 66,219       | 11,530       | 50,193       | 34,894       | 1,857        |
| 1972-73               | 178,777      | 100,828      | 9,960        | 133,727      | 68,622       | 13,200       | 54,766       | 39,741       | 2,673        |
| 1973-74               | 169,550      | 104,595      | 13,770       | 126,750      | 72,923       | 18,295       | 54,762       | 43,491       | 4,826        |
| 1974 —                |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| April                 | 14,975       | 8,855        | 1,356        | 10,681       | 5,856        | 1,569        | 3,998        | 2,861        | 606          |
| May                   | 15,885       | 9,429        | 1,450        | 12,156       | 7,474        | 1,869        | 4,974        | 3,649        | 585          |
| June                  | 13,109       | 8,154        | 1,044        | 9,674        | 5,131        | 1,647        | 4,248        | 3,340        | 381          |
| July                  | 14,499       | 9,689        | 2,339        | 10,119       | 5,908        | 1,708        | 4,804        | 3,687        | 591          |
| August                | 14,527       | 9,407        | 2,035        | 8,835        | 5,812        | 1,443        | 3,518        | 2,835        | 385          |
| September             | 11,427       | 9,057        | 2,259        | 9,473        | 5,799        | 1,518        | 3,082        | 2,626        | 454          |
| October               | 13,378       | 9,519        | 2,824        | 12,018       | 6,893        | 1,527        | 3,709        | 2,839        | 428          |
| November              | 12,954       | 8,577        | 2,683        | 10,433       | 5,925        | 1,556        | 3,618        | 3,030        | 403          |
| December              | 9,438        | 6,064        | 1,674        | 9,399        | 5,787        | 1,316        | 2,844        | 2,505        | 301          |
| 1975 —                |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| January               | 5,337        | 4,244        | 1,406        | 5,398        | 3,306        | 1,028        | 1,880        | 1,335        | 246          |
| February              | 10,325       | 7,009        | 1,853        | 9,775        | 5,396        | 1,627        | 4,157        | 3,524        | 430          |
| March                 | 11,509       | 7,686        | 2,415        | 9,880        | 5,920        | 1,753        | 3,501        | 3,491        | 500          |
| April                 | 11,907       | 7,938        | 2,150        | 10,369       | 6,149        | 1,831        | 3,465        | 3,381        | 603          |
| May                   | 13,276       | 8,434        | 2,239        | 10,910       | 6,733        | 1,265        | 3,532        | 3,348        | 473          |
| 1973-74 : July to May | 156,441      | 96,441       | 12,726       | 117,076      | 67,792       | 16,648       | 50,514       | 40,151       | 4,445        |
| 1974-75 : July to May | 128,577      | 87,624       | 23,877       | 106,609      | 63,628       | 16,572       | 38,110       | 32,601       | 5,014        |

  

| Period                | S.A.         |              |              | W.A. and Tas. |              |              | Australia    |              |              |
|-----------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
|                       | (844.22) (a) | (844.25) (b) | (844.27) (c) | (844.22) (a)  | (844.25) (b) | (844.27) (c) | (844.22) (a) | (844.25) (b) | (844.27) (c) |
| 1971-72               | 41,941       | 19,072       | 1,297        | 47,963        | 22,408       | 1,761        | 434,984      | 237,428      | 23,096       |
| 1972-73               | 43,590       | 19,588       | 1,941        | 49,894        | 21,510       | 2,660        | 457,754      | 250,289      | 30,434       |
| 1973-74               | 44,739       | 20,764       | 2,724        | 46,506        | 25,111       | 3,617        | 442,307      | 266,884      | 43,232       |
| 1974 —                |              |              |              |               |              |              |              |              |              |
| April                 | 3,178        | 1,638        | 230          | 3,786         | 1,702        | 294          | 36,618       | 20,912       | 4,055        |
| May                   | 3,136        | 1,404        | 200          | 3,886         | 2,530        | 282          | 40,037       | 24,486       | 4,386        |
| June                  | 3,221        | 1,343        | 177          | 3,849         | 2,109        | 458          | 34,101       | 20,077       | 3,707        |
| July                  | 3,834        | 2,004        | 239          | 4,184         | 1,932        | 191          | 37,440       | 23,220       | 5,068        |
| August                | 3,944        | 1,705        | 198          | 3,241         | 1,727        | 257          | 34,065       | 21,486       | 4,518        |
| September             | 3,378        | 1,436        | 156          | 3,970         | 1,631        | 318          | 31,330       | 20,549       | 4,705        |
| October               | 2,797        | 1,522        | 191          | 3,817         | 1,694        | 363          | 35,719       | 22,467       | 5,333        |
| November              | 2,937        | 1,513        | 200          | 3,896         | 1,660        | 279          | 33,838       | 20,705       | 5,121        |
| December              | 2,768        | 1,352        | 180          | 3,632         | 1,168        | 262          | 28,081       | 16,876       | 3,733        |
| 1975 —                |              |              |              |               |              |              |              |              |              |
| January               | 2,037        | 792          | 130          | 2,931         | 1,162        | 208          | 17,583       | 10,839       | 3,018        |
| February              | 2,738        | 1,180        | 204          | 3,235         | 1,545        | 213          | 30,230       | 18,654       | 4,327        |
| March                 | 3,560        | 1,269        | 168          | 3,565         | 1,956        | 291          | 32,015       | 20,322       | 5,127        |
| April                 | 3,822        | 1,745        | 225          | 3,348         | 1,879        | 277          | 32,911       | 21,092       | 5,086        |
| May                   | 3,046        | 1,375        | 201          | 4,028         | 2,025        | 351          | 34,792       | 21,915       | 4,520        |
| 1973-74 : July to May | 41,518       | 19,421       | 2,547        | 42,657        | 23,002       | 3,159        | 408,206      | 246,807      | 39,515       |
| 1974-75 : July to May | 34,861       | 15,893       | 2,092        | 39,847        | 18,379       | 3,010        | 348,004      | 218,125      | 50,565       |

(a) Width of 107cm and under. (b) Width over 107cm up to and including 138cm. (c) Width over 138cm.

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TABLE 3. - MATTRESSES OTHER THAN INNER SPRING (a), AND STRETCHERS AND FOLDING BEDS  
(Number)

| Period                | Rubber<br>(includes sponge and foam rubber) |             |             |             | Plastic foam and sponge |             |             | All other mattresses<br>(includes kapok, fibre, etc.) |       |              |
|-----------------------|---------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------------------------------------------------|-------|--------------|
|                       | (844.42)                                    | (b)(844.45) | (c)(844.47) | (d)(844.52) | (b)(844.55)             | (c)(844.57) | (d)(844.62) | (b)(844.65)                                           | (c)   | (844.67) (d) |
| 1971-72               | 29,151                                      | 12,615      | 2,800       | 266,910     | 31,093                  | 1,787       | 29,755      | 2,518                                                 |       | 155          |
| 1972-73               | 23,138                                      | 12,629      | 2,758       | 380,505     | 61,117                  | 2,388       | 20,594      |                                                       | 1,689 |              |
| 1973-74               | 27,092                                      | 13,785      | 3,225       | 456,178     | 67,567                  | 2,651       | 14,930      |                                                       | 1,052 |              |
| 1974 -                |                                             |             |             |             |                         |             |             |                                                       |       |              |
| April                 | 2,897                                       | 1,004       | 245         | 40,399      | 6,238                   | 242         | 1,378       |                                                       | 71    |              |
| May                   | 2,732                                       | 1,259       | 307         | 37,113      | 6,379                   | 266         | 744         |                                                       | 67    |              |
| June                  | 2,073                                       | 780         | 164         | 28,086      | 5,516                   | 330         | 660         |                                                       | 87    |              |
| July                  | 1,509                                       | 956         | 331         | 29,952      | 5,330                   | 300         | 1,048       |                                                       | 66    |              |
| August                | 1,405                                       | 734         | 220         | 30,551      | 4,613                   | 219         | 921         |                                                       | 79    |              |
| September             | 1,209                                       | 546         | 138         | 43,430      | 6,105                   | 210         | 886         |                                                       | 75    |              |
| October               | 1,203                                       | 525         | 103         | 35,564      | 6,171                   | 236         | 663         |                                                       | 69    |              |
| November              | 877                                         | 577         | 114         | 35,895      | 5,571                   | 284         | 950         |                                                       | 77    |              |
| December              | 873                                         | 544         | 121         | 35,605      | 6,364                   | 353         | 1,121       |                                                       | 56    |              |
| 1975 -                |                                             |             |             |             |                         |             |             |                                                       |       |              |
| January               | 492                                         | 323         | 62          | 22,410      | 4,835                   | 166         | 267         |                                                       | 37    |              |
| February              | 878                                         | 544         | 143         | 34,967      | 6,915                   | 160         | 808         |                                                       | 59    |              |
| March                 | 536                                         | 213         | 37          | 36,623      | 7,448                   | 310         | 563         |                                                       | 76    |              |
| April                 | 545                                         | 377         | 144         | 37,561      | 7,253                   | 274         | 758         |                                                       | 100   |              |
| May                   | 545                                         | 343         | 80          | 40,057      | 9,340                   | 347         | 720         |                                                       | 91    |              |
| 1973-74 : July to May | 25,019                                      | 13,005      | 3,061       | 428,092     | 62,051                  | 2,321       | 14,270      |                                                       | 965   |              |
| 1974-75 : July to May | 10,072                                      | 5,682       | 1,493       | 382,615     | 69,945                  | 2,859       | 8,705       |                                                       | 785   |              |

| Period                | Mattresses other than inner spring (a) |         |                                         |        |        |       | Stretchers and<br>folding beds |                  |                                   |
|-----------------------|----------------------------------------|---------|-----------------------------------------|--------|--------|-------|--------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------------------|
|                       | N.S.W.                                 | Vic.    | Qld<br>(844.42,45,47,52,55,57,62,65,67) | S.A.   | W.A.   | Tas.  | Australia                      | Wire<br>(844.71) | Other<br>(incl. camp)<br>(844.75) |
| 1971-72               | 147,791                                | 101,086 | 49,562                                  | 22,397 | 52,578 | 3,370 | 376,784                        | 115,826          | 70,314                            |
| 1972-73               | 151,409                                | 204,733 | 60,407                                  | 24,720 | 60,431 | 3,118 | 504,818                        | 139,235          | 32,760                            |
| 1973-74               | 130,697                                | 244,526 | 103,227                                 | 29,613 | 75,598 | 2,819 | 586,480                        | 159,504          | 23,265                            |
| 1974 -                |                                        |         |                                         |        |        |       |                                |                  |                                   |
| April                 | 9,190                                  | 22,563  | 10,983                                  | 2,340  | 7,184  | 214   | 52,774                         | 11,606           | 1,094                             |
| May                   | 9,594                                  | 20,687  | 8,736                                   | 2,697  | 6,789  | 364   | 48,867                         | 11,497           | 877                               |
| June                  | 8,538                                  | 14,812  | 8,758                                   | 2,128  | 3,233  | 227   | 27,696                         | 7,056            | 1,065                             |
| July                  | 5,712                                  | 18,142  | 9,639                                   | 2,339  | 3,330  | 330   | 39,492                         | 6,115            | 970                               |
| August                | 6,423                                  | 16,431  | 8,581                                   | 2,433  | 4,673  | 201   | 38,742                         | 8,373            | 1,590                             |
| September             | 11,951                                 | 19,778  | 12,784                                  | 2,707  | 5,003  | 376   | 52,599                         | 10,772           | 1,964                             |
| October               | 7,699                                  | 17,239  | 11,252                                  | 1,420  | 6,664  | 260   | 44,534                         | 11,601           | 2,380                             |
| November              | 7,816                                  | 17,080  | 11,307                                  | 1,512  | 6,400  | 230   | 44,345                         | 12,494           | 3,322                             |
| December              | 8,626                                  | 18,224  | 11,307                                  | 2,384  | 4,199  | 297   | 45,037                         | 11,541           | 2,817                             |
| 1975 -                |                                        |         |                                         |        |        |       |                                |                  |                                   |
| January               | 3,291                                  | 11,973  | 6,281                                   | 1,106  | 5,675  | 266   | 28,592                         | 7,276            | 741                               |
| February              | 7,286                                  | 16,033  | 12,124                                  | 3,053  | 5,617  | 361   | 44,474                         | 9,813            | 1,614                             |
| March                 | 8,238                                  | 17,144  | 11,354                                  | 2,484  | 6,178  | 408   | 45,806                         | 9,937            | 1,765                             |
| April                 | 6,388                                  | 19,740  | 10,722                                  | 3,441  | 6,363  | 358   | 47,012                         | 9,268            | 1,187                             |
| May                   | 8,844                                  | 22,774  | 9,197                                   | 4,013  | 6,210  | 485   | 51,523                         | 8,676            | 1,345                             |
| 1973-74 : July to May | 122,159                                | 229,714 | 94,469                                  | 27,365 | 72,365 | 2,592 | 548,784                        | 152,448          | 22,200                            |
| 1974-75 : July to May | 82,274                                 | 194,558 | 114,548                                 | 26,892 | 60,312 | 3,572 | 482,156                        | 105,866          | 19,695                            |

(a) Excludes pillows, pram mattresses, cushions, camp bags etc. and overlays, camp stretchers and folding sun lounge type mattresses under 7.5cm thick. (b) Width of 107cm and under. (c) Width over 107cm up to and including 138cm. (d) Width over 138cm.

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