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PRODUCTION SUMMARY NO. 8 : LAWNMOWERS
AUSTRALIA : NOVEMBER 1976

Annual figures shown in this publication are derived by aggregating monthly production and relate to production during the year ended 30 June. They may differ from annual manufacturing census figures relating to the census year which, in the case of businesses unable to report on a June year basis, include details in respect of substitute accounting periods.

This summary contains seasonally adjusted statistics of petrol, rotary type lawnmowers. In the seasonal adjustment, account has been taken not only of normal seasonal factors but also of "trading-day" effects (arising from the varying numbers of Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays etc. in the month) and the influence of Easter and Australia Day which may, in successive years, affect figures for different months. The seasonally adjusted figures have been revised following annual reanalysis. Details of the methods used in seasonally adjusting this and other series are given in *Seasonally Adjusted Indicators* (Reference No. 1.10).

As from July 1975 production statistics exclude production of single establishment manufacturing enterprises employing less than four persons and production of establishments predominantly engaged in non-manufacturing activities but which may carry on, in a minor way, some manufacturing.

However, except for a few commodities, the effect on production levels and movements is marginal. An indication of the approximate magnitude of the break in comparability may be obtained by comparing annual 1974-75 data which are shown in this publication on both the old and the new basis.

	(Number)					
	Petrol, rotary (under-cut) type		Total			
Period	With 2 stroke engine (699.52)	With 4 stroke engine (699.53)	Original	Seasonally adjusted (a)	Other types (a) (699.41, 45.33.61)	Total
1973-74	369,662	56,508	426,170	..	22,503	448,723
1974-75	250,458	48,295	298,753	..	18,858	317,611
1974-75 (c)	250,334	47,791	298,125	..	18,858	316,983
1975-76	260,156	74,701	334,857	..	19,780	354,637
1975 -						
October	43,422	8,683	52,105	30,140	2,435	54,540
November	35,639	8,941	44,580	30,068	3,033	47,613
December	24,964	6,161	31,125	31,906	1,530	32,655
1976 -						
January	16,186	6,698	22,884	27,335	293	23,177
February	19,902	8,778	28,680	28,999	1,900	30,380
March	10,186	8,418	18,604	21,799	1,534	20,138
April	11,396	5,464	16,860	21,361	1,359	18,219
May	4,357	3,379	7,736	18,683	1,203	8,949
June	11,888	4,889	16,777	38,870	1,484	18,261
July	18,646		18,646	24,560	1,221	19,867
August	25,121		25,121	19,487	972	26,093
September	45,875		45,875	31,615	1,663	47,538
October	44,287		44,287	25,541	972	45,229
November	41,304		41,304	27,890	1,335	42,639
1975-76 : July to Nov.	161,277	30,914	192,191	..	10,477	202,668
1976-77 : July to Nov.	175,233		175,233	..	6,163	181,396

(a) Includes petrol cylinder, electric and hand lawn mowers but excludes tractor drawn (non-agricultural) lawn mowers. (b) See note at top of page. (c) Excludes the production of certain small producers. See explanatory notes above.