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PRODUCTION STATISTICS : AUSTRALIA, APRIL 1970 (PRELIMINARY)

Preliminary estimates for April 1970 for certain major indicators of production are shown below. Production statistics for April for an extensive range of commodities will be published later in the series of 52 Monthly Production Summaries and the Monthly Bulletin of Production Statistics. Production figures for the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory are included from July 1968.

2. This statement includes seasonally adjusted statistics of several commodities. 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 these and other series will be given in "Seasonally adjusted Indicators 1970" (Reference No. 1.10) to be released shortly.

No.	Item	Unit	Year		Months 1969			Months 1970		
			1967-68	1968-69	Feb.	March	Apr.	Feb.	March	Apr.
1.	Pig iron	'000 tons	(a)5,209	(a)5,722	449	531	487	451	420	433
2.	Ingot steel (b) - Original	" "	(a)6,298	(a)6,599	516	609	572	488	518	514
	Seas. adj.	" "	..	..	r583	r615	r611	r553	r516	550
3.	Blooms and slabs	" "	(a)5,483	(a)5,749	442	517	490	424	439	442
4.	Tinplate	" "	(a) 254	(a) 256	21.9	22.9	21.7	23.4	25.7	19.4
5.	Gas (c) (available for issue through mains)	mil. therms	312	331	19.9	23.3	25.0	r40.0	r46.2	47.4
6.	Electricity	mil. kWh	44,531	48,787	3,560	3,929	3,858	r3,991	r4,323	4,401
	- Original	" "	..	..	r4,130	r4,141	r4,155	r4,630	r4,674	4,605
	Seas. adj.	" "	..	..	r139	138	r138	r144	141	136
7.	Bricks, clay	million	1,440	1,612	136	141	138	141	140	142
	- Original	" "	..	..	r139	138	r138	r144	141	136
	Seas. adj.	" "	..	..	r139	138	r138	r144	141	136
8.	Cement, Portland	'000 tons	3,805	3,978	320	360	316	355	378	371
	- Original	" "	..	..	r337	r347	r320	r374	r364	376
	Seas. adj.	" "	..	..	r337	r347	r320	r374	r364	376
9.	Particle board	mil. sq ft	115.6	133.8	10.89	12.23	12.13	(a)	(d)	(d)

(a) Year ended 31 May.

(b) From November 1967 includes continuous cast billets.

(c) From July 1969 includes natural gas.

(d) Not available for publication.

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No.	Item	Unit	Year		Months 1969			Months 1970		
			1967-68	1968-69	Feb.	March	Apr.	Feb.	March	Apr.
10.	Plastics and synthetic resins (a)	'000 cwt	2,236	2,666	216	259	218	192	r 283	255
11.	Floor coverings	'000 sq yd	26,799	29,012	2,419	2,472	2,278	r2,825	r2,626	2,970
12.	Acid - Sulphuric - Original	'000 tons	1,892	1,853	167	178	168	148	151	132
	Seas. adj.	" "	..	..	167	r 165	152	r147	r141	121
13.	Nitric	ton	35,033	53,935	4,729	7,626	7,093	5,730	8,789	8,528
14.	Hydrochloric(e)	"	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
15.	Refrigerators, domestic - Original	'000	245	271	21.5	21.7	18.9	21.8	19.0	19.4
	Seas. adj.	"	..	..	21.9	r22.6	r25.0	r 22.3	r 21.5	22.8
16.	Clothes washing machines, domestic	"	278	303	24.2	28.1	26.1	25.9	27.5	30.3
17.	Radio sets (incl. radiograms)	"	522	677	54.2	56.3	48.9	r 57.3	r 55.8	64.0
18.	Television sets (b)	"	253	280	20.0	22.0	21.3	26.1	r 26.9	29.5
19.	Electric motors - Under 1 hp - Original	"	2,773	3,006	241	245	228	248	242	265
	Seas. adj.	"	..	..	r 252	r 253	r 249	r 262	r264	265
20.	1 hp and over	"	138	196	15.9	17.9	16.2	14.2	13.7	18.7
21.	Internal combustion engines - petrol (c)	"	254	291	20.6	21.7	16.8	27.6	25.7	19.5
22.	Lawn mowers - petrol - rotary type	"	185	209	16.3	15.7	11.8	20.8	16.5	11.1
	Motor vehicles (d) -	"								
23.	Cars and station wagons	"	330	342	27.2	31.1	29.5	35.1	34.0	36.7
24.	Utilities and panel vans	"	47.5	51.3	4.39	3.91	3.88	4.97	r 4.79	4.92
25.	Trucks and truck type vehicles	"	23.0	25.8	2.21	2.54	2.24	2.20	r 2.27	2.54
	Total motor vehicles - Original	"	401	420	r 34.0	37.6	35.7	42.4	r 41.2	44.2
	Seas. adj.	"	..	..	r 34.2	r34.5	r34.1	r42.5	r 40.3	37.5

(a) For moulding, extrusion, laminating and calendaring only.

(b) Includes combinations with radio etc.

(c) Excludes marine inboard, motor car, motor cycle, truck, tractor and aero engines, but includes engines for outboard motors.

(d) Includes vehicles which are disposed of by the manufacturer in a partly finished state.

(e) Series discontinued in this publication.

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			1967-68	1968-69	Feb.	March	Apr.	Feb.	March	Apr.
26.	Yarn (a) - Cotton	'000 lb	60,849	61,114	4,528	5,220	5,295	r5,372	5,264	5,407
27.	Wool	" "	53,492	54,016	4,839	4,591	4,827	5,063	r5,211	5,335
28.	Woven cloth (a) - Cotton (excl. towelling) - Original	'000 sq yd	59,042	56,708	4,385	4,996	4,329	4,888	4,269	4,850
	Seas. adj.	" " "	..	..	r4,515	r4,670	r4,584	r5,023	r4,330	4,890
29.	Wool (excl. blanketing) - Original	" " "	23,406	23,607	2,223	2,088	2,005	2,041	2,079	2,097
	Seas. adj.	" " "	..	..	r2,022	r1,859	r2,017	r1,854	r1,935	1,957
30.	Cellulosic fibre	" " "	37,226	36,179	2,763	3,063	2,746	2,977	2,717	3,046
31.	Synthetic fibre	" " "	27,904	31,726	2,383	2,639	2,480	2,705	r2,868	3,099
32.	Confectionery - Chocolate base	mil. lb	99	107	7.75	9.40	9.66	7.71	8.55	10.58
33.	Other	" "	113	114	r 9.91	10.00	8.15	10.07	10.11	10.12
34.	Beer (excluding waste) (b) - Original	mil. gal	310	322	27.6	27.8	26.3	27.3	r 30.2	28.6
	Seas. adj.	" "	..	..	r 28.1	26.7	r 27.9	r 27.8	r 28.7	29.7
35.	Tobacco, cigars and cigarettes (c)									
	- Original	'000 lb	58,980	62,363	5,238	5,172	5,142	5,762	r5,285	6,213
	Seas. adj.	" "	..	..	r5,305	r5,098	r5,410	r5,821	r5,456	5,969

(a) Includes mixtures predominantly of the fibre named.

(b) Includes ale and stout.

(c) Source : Department of Customs and Excise.

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