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PRODUCTION STATISTICS : AUSTRALIA, JUNE 1976 (PRELIMINARY)

Preliminary estimates for June 1976 for certain major indicators of production are shown below. Production statistics for June for an extensive range of commodities will be published later in the series of 52 *Production Summaries* (Reference No. 12.16) and the bulletin *Production Statistics* (Reference No. 12.14).

2. As from February 1976 production statistics are no longer collected from single establishment manufacturing enterprises employing less than four persons or from establishments predominantly engaged in non-manufacturing activities but which may carry out in a minor way some manufacturing. The effect of these changes however on the production statistics shown in

this bulletin is negligible and does not affect comparisons of production levels and movements.

3. Seasonally adjusted statistics are shown for all but two of the data items contained in this bulletin. 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. Details of the methods used in seasonally adjusting these series are available on request and will be given in *Seasonally Adjusted Indicators 1976* (Reference No. 1.10) due to be issued later this year.

No.	Item	Unit	Months 1975				Months 1976			
			March	Apr.	May	June	March	Apr.	May	June
1.	Pig iron									
	Original	'000 tonnes	673	644	660	531	642	623	674	663
	Seas. adj.	"	647	674	652	604	617	655	670	752
2.	Raw steel (c)									
	Original	"	692	640	664	573	706	631	733	675
	Seas. adj.	"	677	676	669	646	680	665	749	755
3.	Blooms and slabs									
	Original	"	447	443	483	444	505	372	455	487
	Seas. adj.	"	466	468	496	480	504	410	471	520
4.	Tinplate									
	Original	"	22.9	24.1	22.8	22.8	24.3	26.4	28.2	26.9
	Seas. adj.	"	22.9	24.4	23.5	24.5	24.6	27.1	28.9	28.4
5.	Gas (b)	mil.								
	Original	megajoules	14,141	14,989	16,159	18,276	15,975	16,770	19,819	20,987
	Seas. adj.	"	15,318	15,873	15,207	15,947	17,058	17,958	18,652	18,068
6.	Electricity	mil. kWh								
	Original	"	5,824	5,907	6,482	6,795	6,368	6,166	6,869	7,216
	Seas. adj.	"	6,237	6,138	6,164	6,257	6,471	6,609	6,619	6,544
7.	Bricks, clay	million								
	Original	"	133	142	152	143	173	161	167	171
	Seas. adj.	"	139	136	140	142	157	169	160	159
8.	Cement, Portland									
	Original	'000 tonnes	415	413	460	424	438	431	454	414
	Seas. adj.	"	413	421	431	421	418	452	430	408
9.	Particle board									
	Original	'000 cu m	32.2	35.7	38.8	37.5	50.1	41.6	43.0	43.3
	Seas. adj.	"	30.3	33.3	32.7	35.0	47.1	38.4	36.5	40.2
10.	Plastics and synthetic resins (c)									
	Original	tonne	21,476	22,110	20,983	23,069	29,267	26,996	28,240	30,031
	Seas. adj.	"				Not available				
11.	Floor coverings									
	Original	'000 sq. m	2,629	2,955	3,313	2,954	3,638	2,642	3,073	2,935
	Seas. adj.	"	2,571	2,773	2,925	3,135	3,142	2,721	2,759	3,027
12.	Acid - Sulphuric									
	Original	'000 tonnes	134	94	69	63	153	161	102	125
	Seas. adj.	"	125	90	65	68	154	155	97	133
13.	Nitric									
	Original	"	9.5	11.8	14.3	15.6	12.2	11.1	6.3	10.3
	Seas. adj.	"				Not available				
14.	Refrigerators, domestic									
	Original	'000	15.7	14.8	14.0	12.3	24.9	19.5	17.8	22.5
	Seas. adj.	"	17.0	16.5	15.1	14.3	22.7	23.9	20.0	24.7
15.	Clothes washing machines - Domestic									
	Original	"	19.3	19.5	27.1	22.3	37.8	24.1	28.6	28.0
	Seas. adj.	"	20.9	22.6	24.4	23.2	35.0	31.2	26.6	27.7
16.	Radio sets (incl. radiograms)									
	Original	"	10.6	10.7	14.2	11.8	6.2	4.4	3.2	4.3
	Seas. adj.	"	12.7	13.2	14.5	13.3	6.5	5.7	3.5	4.5

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No.	Item	Unit	Months 1975				Months 1976			
			March	Apr.	May	June	March	Apr.	May	June
17.	Television sets (d)									
	Original	'000	37.9	41.5	48.5	43.8	46.7	42.5	34.5	43.7
	Seas. adj.	"	39.7	42.5	41.3	43.5	42.8	44.5	31.6	42.1
	Electric motors -									
	Under 1 hp		303	316	304	294	379	293	299	328
	Original	"	331	337	304	304	365	256	301	325
	Seas. adj.	"	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
19.	1 hp and over		22.0	19.0	17.7	17.1	20.7	16.8	15.7	17.1
	Original	"	23.0	20.8	14.5	17.3	19.6	20.4	12.8	17.3
	Seas. adj.	"	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
20.	Internal combustion engines -									
	Petrol (e)		14.9	18.5	15.7	16.9	18.6	15.9	11.1	26.0
	Original	"	18.5	24.0	28.3	27.4	23.7	20.5	19.7	42.3
	Seas. adj.	"	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
21.	Lawn mowers -									
	Petrol-rotary type		15.5	16.7	10.6	11.4	18.6	16.9	7.7	16.8
	Original	"	17.9	21.5	26.1	26.7	21.8	21.4	18.7	38.9
	Seas. adj.	"	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Motor vehicles (f) -									
	Cars and station wagons		26.6	39.0	34.8	31.6	35.9	29.5	36.0	34.6
	Original	"	26.8	27.9	32.3	29.6	31.8	29.9	34.3	32.1
	Seas. adj.	"	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
23.	Utilities and panel vans		4.11	4.47	4.86	5.19	5.63	4.68	5.26	4.06
	Original	"	4.01	4.23	4.39	4.57	5.07	4.83	4.77	3.55
	Seas. adj.	"	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
24.	Trucks and truck type		2.23	2.52	3.27	2.78	2.97	2.71	2.94	2.86
	Original	"	2.15	2.63	3.02	2.78	2.83	2.83	2.73	2.57
	Seas. adj.	"	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Yarn (g) -									
	Cotton		1,722	1,890	2,295	2,105	2,316	2,052	2,252	2,298
	Original	'000 kg	1,686	1,911	2,037	2,014	1,924	2,284	2,073	1,990
	Seas. adj.	"	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
26.	Wool		1,290	1,518	1,619	1,691	2,311	1,753	1,845	1,884
	Original	"	1,379	1,443	1,489	1,641	2,046	1,907	1,761	1,619
	Seas. adj.	"	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Woven cloth (g) -									
	Cotton (excl. towelling)		2,964	2,775	3,816	3,331	4,002	3,669	3,996	3,613
	Original	'000 sq. m	3,161	3,058	3,193	3,291	3,923	3,952	3,747	3,497
	Seas. adj.	"	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
28.	Wool (excl. blanketing)		528	455	572	561	874	582	699	671
	Original	"	510	425	571	708	684	645	721	756
	Seas. adj.	"	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
29.	Cellulosic fibres		1,317	1,335	1,414	1,446	1,484	1,518	1,483	1,435
	Original	"	1,306	1,331	1,271	1,314	1,407	1,517	1,395	1,308
	Seas. adj.	"	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
30.	Synthetic fibre		5,684	6,067	7,476	8,696	8,926	7,115	8,611	9,311
	Original	"	6,208	5,876	6,724	8,303	8,614	7,407	8,171	8,493
	Seas. adj.	"	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Confectionery -									
	Chocolate base		5,389	6,135	6,707	8,220	15,139	5,044	15,501	5,038
	Original	'000 kg	5,689	5,500	5,200	4,890	14,510	5,180	14,377	4,459
	Seas. adj.	"	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
32.	Other		5,219	4,701	4,905	4,063	5,592	4,142	14,865	4,930
	Original	"	5,627	5,092	5,083	4,391	5,208	4,920	15,200	5,100
	Seas. adj.	"	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
33.	Beer (h)	mil. litres	169	158	159	135	182	159	138	129
	Original	"	165	161	167	166	161	168	148	183
	Seas. adj.	"	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
34.	Tobacco and cigarettes (i)		2,684	3,007	2,690	2,324	2,885	2,443	2,817	(j)
	Original	'000 kg	2,903	2,732	2,725	2,370	2,677	2,370	3,027	(j)
	Seas. adj.	"	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

(a) Includes continuous cast billets. (b) Available for issue through mains. Includes natural gas. (c) For moulding, extrusion, laminating and calendaring only. (d) Includes combination with radio etc. From July 1974 includes production of colour television sets. (e) Excludes marine inboard, motor car, truck, tractor and aero engine, but includes engines for outboard motors. (f) Includes vehicles which are disposed of by the manufacturer in a partly finished state. (g) Includes mixture predominantly of the fibres named. (h) Includes ale and stout. (i) Source : Department of Business and Consumer Affairs. (j) Not yet available.

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