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PRODUCTION SUMMARY NO. 53 : PLASTICS FILM, SHEETING AND COATED MATERIALS
AUSTRALIA : JULY 1975

All annual figures are derived from the recorded monthly production and are subject to revision.
Decorative laminated boards and sheets, plastic profile sheet, floor coverings and material prepared for cutting into floor tiles are not included in this summary. For details of these see monthly Production Summaries Nos. 49 and 22.

TABLE 1. - UNSUPPORTED PLASTICS FILM, FOIL AND SHEETING (a) - BY POLYMER TYPE
(*000 kilograms)

Period	Vinyl chloride including co-polymers (423.02,03,06,07)	Poly- ethylene (423.11,15,21,25)	Poly- styrene (423.31,35)	Other (a) (423.41,45,61,65)	Total
1972-73	16,542	44,371	6,164	8,964	76,042
1973-74	18,744	53,885	7,033	12,356	92,018
1974-75	15,461	53,216	6,153	9,199	84,030
1974 -					
June	2,164	5,318	604	1,251	9,337
July	2,019	4,964	614	1,173	8,771
August	1,817	5,320	568	1,087	8,793
September	1,819	5,738	597	1,236	9,390
October	1,757	5,771	493	915	8,936
November	1,285	4,591	586	634	7,097
December	1,198	3,939	417	486	6,040
1975 -					
January	352	3,704	292	275	4,624
February	966	3,672	500	554	5,692
March	1,197	3,473	510	640	5,821
April	969	3,659	598	710	5,936
May	993	3,981	516	642	6,133
June	1,089	4,403	462	843	6,797
July	1,206	4,307	476	766	6,755

(a) Rigid and flexible (includes lay flat tubing) - not profile. Includes film or sheet used in further production in the same establishment. (b) Includes cellulose acetate.

TABLE 2. - UNSUPPORTED PLASTICS FILM, FOIL AND SHEETING (a) - BY THICKNESS
(*000 kilograms)

Period	Film (thickness less than 0.010") (b)			Sheeting and sheets (thickness 0.010" and over) (c)			Total film and sheeting and sheets
	Vinyl chloride including co-polymers (423.02,03)	Other (423.11,21, 31,41,61)	Total film	Vinyl chloride including co-polymers (423.06,07)	Other (423.15,25, 35,45,65)	Total sheeting and sheets	
1972-73	9,141	49,146	58,287	7,401	10,354	17,755	76,042
1973-74	10,677	60,423	71,095	8,072	12,852	20,923	92,018
1974-75	8,676	56,799	65,475	6,786	11,769	18,555	84,030
1974 -							
June	1,342	5,908	7,250	822	1,265	2,087	9,337
July	1,083	5,526	6,609	935	1,226	2,162	8,771
August	902	5,753	6,654	916	1,222	2,138	8,793
September	1,092	6,083	7,175	728	1,488	2,216	9,390
October	1,058	6,074	7,133	699	1,104	1,803	8,936
November	684	4,852	5,536	601	960	1,561	7,097
December	500	4,090	4,589	698	753	1,451	6,040
1975 -							
January	275	3,840	4,115	77	432	509	4,624
February	577	3,864	4,441	389	862	1,251	5,692
March	666	3,756	4,423	531	868	1,399	5,821
April	611	3,914	4,525	358	1,053	1,412	5,936
May	527	4,210	4,737	467	930	1,396	6,133
June	701	4,838	5,539	388	870	1,258	6,797
July	780	4,703	5,483	427	845	1,272	6,755

(a) See footnote (a) Table 1. (b) Prior to July 1970 includes film of thickness 0.010". (c) Prior to July 1970, excludes sheeting of thickness 0.010".

TABLE 3. - PLASTICS COATED MATERIALS (a)
(⁰⁰⁰ square metres)

Period	Vinyl chloride (incl. co- polymers) on knitted or woven textile material		Vinyl chloride (incl. co-poly- mers and poly- vinylidene chlor- ide on paper or paperboard (excl. bitum- en treated) (424.33.51)	Polyethylene		Other polymers On knitted and woven textile materials (424.61)
	Expanded (424.30)	Other (424.32)		On regenerat- ed cellulose film (b) (424.42)	On other substrates (424.43-47)	
1972-73	6,340	10,533	10,301	13,313	54,320	7,759
1973-74	6,900	11,262	11,841	16,264	76,147	6,541
1974-75	5,399	8,996	11,175	18,048	73,242	5,798
1974 -						
June	956	1,229	(b)	1,403	7,137	701
July	702	987	(b)	2,031	8,790	659
August	665	870	(b)	2,037	7,418	526
September	497	854	(b)	1,584	7,020	483
October	397	1,026	(b)	1,490	9,749	595
November	418	796	(b)	1,810	11,876	534
December	(b)	607	(b)	1,306	5,062	511
1975 -						
January	(b)	154	(b)	983	3,747	178
February	306	745	(b)	1,475	4,492	729
March	377	634	(b)	1,433	2,769	369
April	366	762	(b)	1,667	4,030	402
May	525	599	(b)	1,172	4,686	408
June	618	959	(b)	1,060	3,603	384
July	427	698	(b)	1,247	3,064	

(a) Area of completion of final coating by any method including laminating on continuous supporting materials. Includes production of the specified combinations even if subsequently used in the same establishment for further processing. Excludes coating intended for adhesive purposes in the production of laminates. (b) Not available for publication.

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