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ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS INVOLVING FATALITIES, AUSTRALIA NOVEMBER 1987

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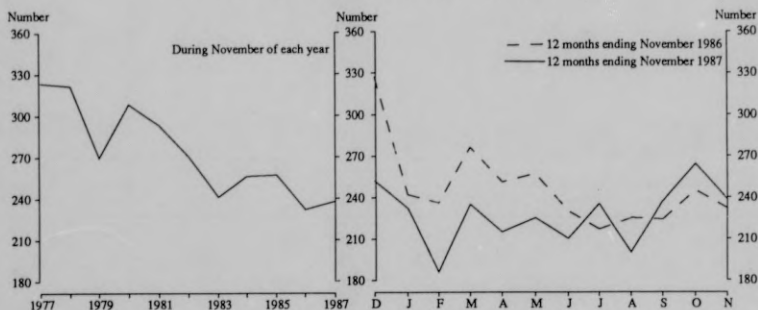
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MAIN FEATURES

PERSONS KILLED IN ROAD ACCIDENTS, AUSTRALIA



238 people were killed in 220 fatal road accidents in Australia in November 1987, compared with 232 persons in 214 accidents in November 1986, which is an increase in fatalities of 2.5%. The increase occurred in Queensland, Western Australia, South Australia and the Australian Capital Territory.

Drivers of motor vehicles accounted for 43.3% (103) of all road fatalities, passengers in motor vehicles for 21.8% (52), pedestrians 16% (38) and drivers of motor cycles 13.4% (32).

For the eleven months ended November 1987 there were 2,477 fatalities which is a 6% decrease compared with the 2,635 recorded for the corresponding period in 1986. However November 1987 is the third successive month where fatalities increased over the corresponding period in 1986.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

1. This publication contains preliminary details of the number of road fatalities and fatal road traffic accidents that occurred in each State and Territory during the reference month, together with comparable figures for some earlier periods. These details have been compiled on the basis of accident report forms completed by police officers. Figures for this month, and possibly for earlier months, may be revised in future issues of this publication as additional information is received, including advices for persons not previously reported as fatalities but who die within 30 days of the date of the accident from injuries received.

Related publications

2. Users may also wish to refer to the following road traffic accident publication which is available on request:

Road Traffic Accidents Involving Casualties (Admissions to Hospitals), Australia (9405.0) — issued quarterly

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TABLE 1. PERSONS KILLED IN ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

Period	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia
<i>Year—</i>									
1981	1,291	766	594	222	238	111	70	29	3,321
1982	1,253	709	602	270	236	96	60	26	3,252
1983	966	664	510	265	203	70	49	28	2,755
1984	1,037	657	505	232	220	83	50	37	2,821
1985	1,067	683	502	269	243	78	67	33	2,942
1986 p	1,029	r668	481	288	227	91	71	32	r2,887
<i>1986—</i>									
June qtr	257	r180	117	71	63	16	23	11	r738
September qtr	231	r150	122	69	60	21	9	4	r666
December qtr p	267	r162	106	94	35	31	24	10	r729
<i>1987 p—</i>									
March qtr	226	153	115	61	59	20	11	8	653
June qtr	236	172	93	56	44	18	22	9	650
September qtr	r225	166	120	50	53	17	30	11	r672
<i>1986 p—</i>									
September	81	54	41	27	15	4	2	—	224
October	101	r52	32	28	10	7	12	3	r245
November	77	r59	35	29	15	10	7	—	r232
December	89	r51	39	37	10	14	5	7	r252
<i>1987 p—</i>									
January	86	58	34	27	15	8	3	1	232
February	58	41	39	13	21	8	4	2	186
March	82	54	42	21	23	4	4	5	235
April	84	52	28	26	12	7	2	4	215
May	69	63	30	17	22	9	10	5	225
June	83	57	35	13	10	2	10	—	210
July	67	58	39	17	18	7	13	6	235
August	63	48	44	20	12	3	7	3	200
September	r85	60	37	13	23	7	10	2	r237
October	r112	59	r38	r25	15	8	6	r1	r264
November	69	51	44	31	26	7	5	5	238
<i>Eleven months ended—</i>									
November 1986 p	940	617	442	251	217	77	66	25	2,635
November 1987 p	868	601	410	223	197	70	74	34	2,477

TABLE 2. FATAL ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

Period	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia
<i>Year—</i>									
1981	1,130	677	510	196	217	97	63	24	2,914
1982	1,115	631	522	239	203	84	52	26	2,872
1983	877	610	437	234	191	63	46	27	2,485
1984	910	584	448	205	203	77	45	35	2,507
1985	954	605	452	240	219	69	59	30	2,628
1986 p	908	r610	421	259	207	78	63	30	r2,576
<i>1986—</i>									
June qtr	230	r159	104	67	58	14	21	10	r663
September qtr	202	r140	109	59	54	21	8	4	r597
December qtr p	237	152	92	83	34	26	22	9	655
<i>1987 p—</i>									
March qtr	201	135	95	55	54	16	11	6	573
June qtr	211	156	85	47	41	17	20	8	585
September qtr	r208	140	117	46	51	14	30	11	r617
<i>1986 p—</i>									
September	69	48	37	21	14	4	2	—	195
October	88	r48	28	25	10	5	10	3	r217
November	70	r55	31	27	15	9	7	—	r214
December	79	49	33	31	9	12	5	6	224
<i>1987 p—</i>									
January	78	48	28	25	13	6	3	1	202
February	49	35	29	12	20	6	4	1	156
March	74	52	38	18	21	4	4	4	215
April	75	47	23	23	12	7	2	4	193
May	61	56	28	12	19	8	9	4	197
June	75	53	34	12	10	2	9	—	195
July	75	50	38	16	18	5	13	6	221
August	57	45	42	19	11	3	7	3	187
September	r76	45	37	11	22	6	10	2	r209
October	95	53	r36	r22	12	6	6	r1	r231
November	65	47	41	29	21	7	5	5	220
<i>Eleven months ended—</i>									
November 1986 p	820	561	388	228	198	66	58	24	2,352
November 1987 p	780	531	374	199	179	60	72	31	2,226

TABLE 3. PERSONS KILLED : AGE GROUP AND SEX, NOVEMBER 1987 p

Age group	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia
MALES									
0-4	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	2
5-16	4	2	3	1	—	1	—	1	12
17-20	11	3	7	4	6	1	—	—	32
21-25	9	8	4	4	5	2	—	2	34
26-29	3	7	3	2	—	—	—	—	15
30-39	6	4	2	2	2	—	1	1	18
40-49	8	1	3	2	1	—	—	—	14
50-59	3	4	3	3	1	1	—	1	25
60 and over	7	4	9	—	—	—	—	—	5
Not stated	2	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
Total	53	36	35	20	17	5	2	5	173
FEMALES									
0-4	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1
5-16	—	3	—	4	—	—	—	—	16
17-20	4	1	4	4	2	1	—	—	9
21-25	3	1	3	—	1	—	—	—	2
26-29	—	—	1	1	—	—	1	—	9
30-39	2	3	1	—	4	—	—	—	7
40-49	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
50-59	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	17
60 and over	5	6	—	3	1	1	1	—	—
Not stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	16	15	9	11	9	2	3	—	65
PERSONS									
0-4	—	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	3
5-16	4	5	3	2	—	1	—	1	16
17-20	15	4	11	8	8	2	—	—	48
21-25	12	9	7	4	6	2	1	2	43
26-29	3	7	4	3	—	—	—	—	17
30-39	8	7	3	3	3	—	2	1	27
40-49	10	2	3	1	6	—	1	—	23
50-59	3	4	3	2	1	1	—	—	14
60 and over	12	10	9	6	2	1	1	1	42
Not stated	2	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	5
Total	69	51	44	31	26	7	5	5	238

TABLE 4. PERSONS KILLED TYPE OF ROAD USER INVOLVED, NOVEMBER 1987 p

Type of road user involved	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia
Drivers of—									
Motor vehicles	26	23	21	14	13	3	1	2	103
Motor cycles	11	7	8	4	1	—	1	—	32
Passengers in/on—									
Motor vehicles	18	7	8	6	8	2	1	2	52
Motor cycles	2	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	4
Pedal cyclists	2	3	1	2	—	1	—	—	9
Pedestrians	10	10	6	5	4	1	1	1	38
All others	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
All road users	69	51	44	31	26	7	5	5	238