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PRODUCTION STATISTICS : AUSTRALIA, MAY 1969 (PRELIMINARY)

Preliminary estimates for May 1969 for certain major indicators of production are shown below. Production statistics for May 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. Details of the methods used in seasonally adjusting these and other series are given in "Seasonally Adjusted Indicators 1969" (Ref. No. 1.10)

No.	Item	Unit	Year		Months 1968			Months 1969		
			1966-67	1967-68	March	April	May	March	April	May
1.	Pig iron	'000 tons	(a) 4,893	(a) 5,209	460	442	466	531	487	494
2.	Ingot steel - Original	" "	(a) 6,057	(a) 6,298	546	528	549	609	572	548
	Seas. adj.	" "	..	..	551	567	537	608	625	533
3.	Blooms and slabs	" "	(a) 5,233	(a) 5,483	470	448	479	517	490	494
4.	Tinplate	" "	(a) 257	(a) 254	17.2	16.6	14.8	22.9	21.7	22.2
5.	Gas (c)(available for issue) - Original	mil. therms	302	309	21.2	21.9	31.1	23.3	25.0	31.2
	Seas. adj.	" "	..	..	25.0	24.3	28.0	r27.4	27.7	28.1
6.	Electricity - Original	mil. kWh	41,484	44,362	3,541	3,433	4,143	r4,021	3,781	4,406
	Seas. adj.	" "	..	..	3,722	3,665	3,866	r4,219	4,048	4,137
7.	Bricks, clay - Original	million	1,361	1,439	128	122	138	141	r136	154
	Seas. adj.	" "	..	..	124	123	124	138	135	142
8.	Cement, Portland - Original	'000 tons	3,661	3,803	329	296	347	360	r316	365
	Seas. adj.	" "	..	..	313	295	317	343	r315	334
9.	Particle board	mil. sq ft	92.1	111.2	9.68	8.85	10.92	r12.23	12.13	12.82
10.	Plastics and synthetic resins (b)	'000 cwt	1,849	2,226	182	207	190	r259	r218	202
11.	Floor coverings	'000 sq yd	24,275	26,772	2,274	2,398	2,596	2,472	r2,278	2,526

(a) Year ended 31 May. (b) For moulding, extrusion, laminating and calendering only. (c) Excludes natural gas.

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No.	Item	Unit	Year		Months 1968			Months 1969		
			1966-67	1967-68	March	April	May	March	April	May
12.	Acid - Sulphuric - Original	'000 tons	1,991	1,893	156	171	165	r178	168	148
	Seas. adj.	"	..	..	144	156	153	166	152	137
13.	Nitric	ton	31,009	35,029	3,018	2,736	2,439	7,626	7,093	4,836
14.	Hydrochloric	"	6,765	7,851	618	582	461	728	736	588
15.	Refrigerators, domestic - Original	'000	232	246	20.3	15.8	20.1	21.7	18.9	18.7
	Seas. adj.	"	..	..	20.5	21.9	21.3	22.3	25.1	20.5
16.	Clothes washing machines, domestic	"	232	277	25.9	21.8	29.1	r28.1	26.1	28.8
17.	Radio sets (incl. radiograms)	"	446	296	39.7	38.7	46.3	r56.4	49.9	56.9
18.	Television sets	"	255	254	22.7	21.3	28.0	22.0	21.3	29.4
19.	Electric motors - Under 1 hp - Original	'000	2,527	2,770	22.7	204	261	r245	228	251
	Seas. adj.	"	..	..	229	227	243	r251	243	245
20.	1 hp and over	"	140	140	12.4	13.0	15.2	r17.9	16.2	16.5
21.	Internal combustion engines - petrol (a)	"	267	r255	12.5	r11.9	10.1	21.7	16.8	10.5
22.	Lawn mowers - petrol - rotary type	"	220	185	9.6	7.5	5.5	15.7	12.0	5.7
23.	Cars and station wagons (b)	"	296	330	35.5	30.3	32.2	31.1	29.5	33.2
24.	Utilities and panel vans (b)	"	49.2	47.2	2.51	4.55	5.56	3.91	3.88	3.39
25.	Trucks and truck type vehicles (b)	"	22.5	22.2	1.97	1.71	1.99	r2.54	r2.19	2.59
	Total Motor vehicles (b) - Original	"	369	400	40.0	36.6	39.8	37.6	35.7	39.2
	Seas. adj.	"	..	..	37.4	34.9	32.4	34.1	33.4	33.6

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

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

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No.	Item	Unit	Year		Months 1968			Months 1969		
			1966-67	1967-68	March	April	May	March	April	May
26.	Yarn (a) - Cotton	'000 lb	60,792	60,509	5,370	4,728	5,788	5,176	r5,410	5,562
27.	Wool	" "	51,421	53,851	4,442	4,393	4,750	4,591	r4,827	4,597
28.	Woven cloth (a) - Cotton (excl. towelling) - Original	'000 sq yd	57,573	58,857	5,434	4,611	5,551	4,905	4,455	4,524
	Seas. adj.	" "	..	..	4,885	4,775	4,899	4,631	4,612	3,815
29.	Wool (excl. blanketing) - Original	" "	21,145	23,100	2,147	1,837	2,033	2,088	r2,005	1,856
	Seas. adj.	" "	..	..	1,921	1,942	1,933	1,874	r2,044	1,862
30.	Cellulosic fibre	" "	35,692	36,716	3,351	2,824	3,699	3,063	2,775	3,142
31.	Synthetic fibre	" "	23,530	28,300	2,589	2,307	3,080	2,692	2,552	3,303
32.	Confectionery - Chocolate base	mil lb	124	99	8.03	8.17	10.96	9.24	9.21	11.80
33.	Other	" "	112	112	9.44	8.03	8.73	9.98	8.24	9.02
34.	Beer (b) - Original	mil gal	294	317	28.7	26.2	25.2	27.8	26.3	24.9
	Seas. adj.	" "	..	..	28.0	27.8	26.9	26.7	28.0	27.5
35.	Tobacco, cigars and cigarettes (c) - Original	mil lb	58.0	59.0	5.36	5.25	4.98	5.17	5.14	5.23
	Seas. adj.	" "	..	..	5.23	5.59	5.01	5.05	5.48	5.50

(a) Includes mixtures predominantly of the fibre named.

(b) All figures for 1967-68 were collected by the Department of Customs and Excise and include waste beer. Other figures, collected by this Bureau, exclude waste beer.

(c) Source: Department of Customs and Excise.

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