

PRODUCTION SUMMARY NO. 8A

STORAGE BATTERIES

JUNE, 1958

The information set out below has been compiled from returns of establishments engaged in the production of Storage Batteries and indicates current trends in the production of this item. The figures for 1956-57 and later periods are subject to revision.

AUSTRALIAN PRODUCTION STATISTICS

Period	Storage Batteries (incl. dry charged batteries (a)) made, built or assembled				
	Number of <u>Batteries</u> Produced		Number of 2 VOLT CELLS produced for:		
	Starting, Lighting, Ignition		Radio, Homelighter, Fencer Batteries	Traction Batteries	Plante (Power Plant Installations) and other types of Batteries
	6 Volt	12 Volt			
	- Number of <u>Batteries</u> -		- Number of 2 Volt Cells -		
Year : 1956-57	672,755	573,488	260,619	29,448	6,313
1957-58	639,799	626,159	247,714	28,735	20,639
Month, 1957 -					
July	67,151	58,467	30,435	3,055	1,245
August	56,410	50,938	28,414	1,976	1,305
September	47,545	*48,237	24,364	2,049	1,178
October	54,140	52,515	24,513	2,424	1,559
November	55,177	*48,662	17,720	2,879	884
December	41,669	37,033	13,315	2,374	(b)
1958 - January	*40,403	*41,806	*13,205	*1,739	(b)
February	*55,364	*54,699	*12,503	1,803	(b)
March	*55,137	*54,171	*17,884	2,349	(b)
April	52,896	*55,631	17,146	2,481	(b)
May	*63,223	*69,064	*26,703	3,287	(b)
June	50,684	54,936	21,512	2,319	(b)

(a) Excludes Dry-Cell Batteries such as Torch Batteries.

(b) Confidential - Not available for publication. * Revised.

NOTE: Monthly production of Batteries was collected for the first time in July, 1957. Data on a comparable basis was not collected for years up to 1955-56 and production as recorded in each of the three years ended June, 1954 to 1956 was as under viz.:-

Number of Wet Cell Batteries made, built or assembled

Year	Auto. Radio	For Power Plants and Other Purposes
1953-54	1,310,573	179,093
1954-55	1,313,281	188,507
1955-56	1,229,717	173,410

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