COMMONWEALTH BUREAU OF CENSUS AND STATISTICS, CANBERRA, AUSTRALIA

PRODUCTION SUMMARY NO. 35 - BED BASES AND MATTRESSES

SEPTEMBER 1970

The figures for 1967-68 are those recorded in the Annual Factory Census. All subsequent figures are derived from the recorded monthly production and are subject to revision.

TABLE 1. - BED BASES (a)

(Number)

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Period	Box spring				Woven wire, link mesh and spring					
	N.S.W.	Vic.	Other States	Aust.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	Other States	Aust.
Code No.	844.01				844.11					
1967-68	46,655	51,350	20,878	118,883	291,396	131,506	72,239	54,100	77,293	626,534
1968-69	54,090	63,607	26,807	144,504	337,001	153,296	74,825	41,869	84,930	691,921
1969-70	61,929	73,389	33,914	169,232	308,071	154,923	94,663	44,777	73,595	676,029
Months : 1969 August	4,755	5,580	2,775	13,110	22,334	11,821	7,817	3,790	6,849	52,611
September	5,198	6,628	2,622	14,448	22,977	13,501	7,648	4,214	7,356	55,696
October	5,720	6,834	3,283	15,837	27,403	14,687	9,895	3,567	6,304	61,856
November	5,478	6,444	2,733	14,655	28,134	15,426	9,381	3,206	7,704	63,851
December	4,944	7,379	3,314	15,637	22,732	15,955	8,450	4,815	7,086	59,038
1970 January	3,495	3,894	1,915	9,304	20,229	10,591	6,189	2,852	3,993	43,854
February	5,253	6,404	3,005	14,662	25,251	12,348	8,146	3,495	5,290	54,530
March	5,836	5,468	2,503	13,807	24,905	11,514	7,713	3,839	5,516	53,487
April	6,071	6,722	2,826	15,619	27,817	13,893	8,470	4,010	5,427	59,617
May	5,048	5,900	3,007	13,955	26,012	10,903	6,564	3,737	5,516	52,752
June	5,206	6,389	2,873	14,468	22,444	11,152	5,879	3,098	5,449	48,022
July	5,683	6,445	3,343	15,471	26,827	13,372	7,289	3,644	5,105	56,237
August	5,585	5,967	3,055	14,607	23,605	11,836	8,461	3,176	4,574	51,652
September	6,272	6,531	3,356	16,159	22,190	14,471	7,135	3,896	6,174	53,866
3 months ended September 1970	17,540	18,943	9,754	46,237	72,622	39,679	22,885	10,716	15,853	161,755
3 months ended September 1969	14,878	17,955	8,455	41,288	83,144	38,454	23,956	12,158	21,310	179,022

(a) Excludes unsprung bed platforms.

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TABLE 2. - INNER SPRING MATTRESSES

(Code No. 844.21)

(Number)

Period		N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S. Aust.	W. Aust. & Tas.	Australia
1967-68		252,989	192,192	83,525	61,660	69,086	659,452
1968-69		254,059	187,717	85,343	61,840	68,381	657,340
1969-70		259,511	204,278	89,878	68,223	75,663	697,553
Months :	1969 August	19,628	16,998	7,083	6,252	6,038	55,999
	September	21,151	18,349	7,533	5,847	6,147	59,027
	October	22,516	19,627	8,806	5,699	5,853	62,501
	November	24,829	16,376	8,033	5,717	6,171	61,126
	December	23,302	20,483	7,340	6,636	7,069	64,830
	1970 January	16,142	10,974	4,525	4,260	4,804	40,705
	February	20,697	17,794	9,039	6,236	6,148	59,914
	March	21,503	16,714	7,366	5,715	6,313	57,611
	April	24,637	17,534	7,313	5,428	6,933	61,845
	May	23,003	16,697	7,263	5,041	7,808	59,812
	June	20,944	15,598	7,629	5,488	6,940	56,599
	July	21,966	18,135	7,649	5,755	6,079	59,584
	August	21,583	17,221	7,549	6,197	6,044	58,594
	September	22,596	18,194	7,708	5,935	8,325	62,758
3 months ended September 1970		66,145	53,550	22,906	17,887	20,448	180,936
3 months ended September 1969		67,938	52,481	22,564	18,003	17,624	172,610

TABLE 3. - MATTRESSES OTHER THAN INNER SPRING (a)

(Code Nos 844.41,51,61)

(Number)

Period		N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Australia
1967-68		89,868	84,183	50,245	13,136	61,599	5,502	304,533
1968-69		124,569	73,771	42,579	11,649	48,806	5,649	307,223
1969-70		146,135	80,366	32,738	12,309	51,526	4,956	328,030
Months :	1969 August	12,658	5,854	2,989	828	3,353	330	26,012
	September	13,412	6,181	2,835	721	2,913	320	26,382
	October	13,711	7,497	2,814	922	3,338	464	28,746
	November	11,529	8,034	2,863	1,003	4,462	571	28,462
	December	11,765	7,352	2,497	1,014	5,729	451	28,808
	1970 January	4,261	3,337	2,094	618	5,076	265	15,651
	February	7,976	7,064	2,521	1,196	5,163	370	24,290
	March	(b)	7,477	2,992	1,025	5,089	(b)	29,922
	April	(b)	8,462	2,792	1,314	4,616	(b)	32,223
	May	(b)	6,621	2,550	1,427	4,378	(b)	28,024
	June	(b)	5,624	2,241	1,189	2,905	(b)	26,515
	July	(b)	6,772	2,525	1,203	3,840	(b)	24,182
	August	(b)	7,452	3,222	1,070	4,092	(b)	25,870
	September	(b)	7,533	3,308	1,276	4,651	(b)	29,842
3 months ended September 1970		(b)	21,757	9,055	3,549	12,583	(b)	79,894
3 months ended September 1969		42,455	18,898	9,374	2,601	10,770	1,291	85,389

(a) Excludes pillows, pram mattresses, cushions, camp bags etc. and overlays, camp stretchers and folding sun lounge type mattresses under 3" thick. (b) Not available for publication.

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TABLE 4. - MATTRESSES, AND STRETCHERS AND FOLDING BEDS : AUSTRALIA

(Number)

Period		Mattresses (a)					Stretchers and folding beds	
		Inner spring	Rubber	Plastic foam and sponge	Other (incl. kapok, fibre etc.)	Total	Wire	Other (incl. camp)
	Code No.	844.21	844.41	844.51	844.61		844.71	844.75
1967-68		659,452	79,992	142,748	81,793	963,985	41,136	48,920
1968-69		657,340	71,225	172,660	63,338	964,563	(b)	(b)
1969-70		697,553	58,914	213,703	55,413	1,025,583	39,599	30,783
Months : 1969 August		55,999	5,315	16,154	4,543	82,011	3,006	1,768
September		59,027	5,105	16,262	5,015	85,409	3,445	3,259
October		62,501	5,657	17,723	5,166	91,247	3,797	4,743
November		61,126	4,735	18,379	5,348	89,588	5,228	4,728
December		64,830	3,974	19,899	4,935	93,638	5,272	6,026
1970 January		40,705	2,362	10,032	3,257	56,356	2,702	1,306
February		59,914	4,829	15,343	4,118	84,204	3,208	1,691
March		57,611	4,761	20,122	5,039	87,533	2,755	2,555
April		61,845	6,601	20,737	4,885	94,068	2,953	1,283
May		59,812	5,517	18,529	3,978	87,836	2,584	1,054
June		56,599	4,473	17,931	4,111	83,114	1,920	1,273
July		59,584	4,587	15,509	4,086	83,766	2,697	1,549
August		58,594	4,562	17,168	4,140	84,464	3,122	1,734
September		62,758	5,911	19,255	4,676	92,600	3,030	3,589
3 months ended September 1970		180,936	15,060	51,932	12,902	260,830	8,849	6,872
3 months ended September 1969		172,610	15,805	55,008	14,576	257,999	9,180	6,124

(a) Excludes pillows, pram mattresses, cushions, camp bags etc., and overlays, camp stretchers and folding sun lounge type mattresses under 3" thick. (b) Not collected monthly prior to July 1969.

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