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COMMONWEALTH BUREAU OF CENSUS AND STATISTICS, CANBERRA, AUSTRALIA

PRODUCTION SUMMARY NO. 35 - BED BASES (a) AND MATTRESSES

DECEMBER 1971

The figures for 1968-69 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
(Number)

Period		Box spring											
		N.S.W.			Vic.			Other States			Australia		
	Code No.	844.02 (b)	844.05 (c)	844.07 (d)	844.02 (b)	844.05 (c)	844.07 (d)	844.02 (b)	844.05 (c)	844.07 (d)	844.02 (b)	844.05 (c)	844.07 (d)
1968-69			54,090			63,607			26,203			143,900	
1969-70			61,929			71,285			33,914			167,128	
1970-71			75,456			76,791			39,699			191,946	
Months : 1970 November			8,152			6,941			4,035			19,128	
December			6,590			7,019			3,887			17,496	
1971 January			3,824			3,540			2,509			9,873	
February			5,793			6,423			3,460			15,676	
March			6,768			7,372			4,009			18,149	
April			5,566			5,672			2,955			14,193	
May			6,578			6,277			2,663			15,518	
June			5,725			6,368			3,107			15,200	
July		2,684	3,438	492	2,390	4,118	681	1,456	1,706	319	6,530	9,262	1,492
August		2,957	4,751	712	2,449	3,342	683	1,401	2,028	359	6,807	10,121	1,754
September		3,213	3,868	750	2,380	3,661	655	1,400	1,989	355	6,993	9,518	1,760
October		2,446	3,181	483	2,844	4,090	601	1,733	2,003	352	7,023	9,274	1,436
November		4,237	3,773	526	2,881	4,427	886	2,218	2,129	368	9,336	10,329	1,780
December		3,215	3,294	564	2,856	3,869	919	1,701	2,058	303	7,772	9,221	1,786
6 months ended December 1971		18,752	22,305	3,527	15,800	23,507	4,425	9,909	11,913	2,056	44,461	57,725	10,008
6 months ended December 1970			41,202			41,139			20,996			103,337	

(a) Excludes unsprung bed platforms. (b) Width of 3 ft 6 in and under. (c) Width of over 3 ft 6 in up to and including 4 ft 6 in. (d) Width of over 4 ft 6 in.

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TABLE 1. - BED BASES - continued

(Number)

Period	Code No.	Woven wire, link mesh and spring					
		N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	Other States	Australia
		844.12, 15, 17					
1968-69		335,567	153,296	88,745	41,869	84,930	704,407
1969-70		308,071	153,740	94,663	44,868	73,595	674,937
1970-71		291,610	160,275	94,609	41,691	r63,005	r651,190
Months : 1970 November		27,828	15,981	10,063	3,906	r 7,028	r 64,806
December		27,728	15,746	8,539	4,472	5,173	61,658
1971 January		11,124	9,201	7,064	2,185	4,195	33,769
February		23,797	13,540	7,859	3,853	5,098	54,147
March		28,948	12,933	9,278	3,924	r5,142	r60,225
April		25,794	12,759	7,195	3,430	5,828	55,006
May		25,829	11,281	6,278	2,907	4,743	51,038
June		18,160	12,824	7,157	2,328	4,242	44,711
July		22,995	11,659	7,474	3,920	4,187	50,235
August		20,982	10,482	8,238	4,264	5,366	49,332
September		28,117	11,281	8,516	3,538	5,947	57,399
October		30,296	11,501	8,121	3,101	4,734	57,753
November		30,225	12,122	9,940	3,195	4,984	60,466
December		30,240	10,120	8,874	3,504	6,738	59,476
6 months ended December 1971		162,855	67,165	51,163	21,522	31,956	334,661
6 months ended December 1970		157,958	87,737	49,778	23,064	33,757	352,294

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TABLE 2. - INNER SPRING MATTRESSES

(Number)

Period	N.S.W.			Vic.			Qld		
Code No.	844.22(a)	844.25(b)	844.27(c)	844.22(a)	844.25(b)	844.27(c)	844.22(a)	844.25(b)	844.27(c)
1968-69		254,197			186,260			85,910	
1969-70		276,390			206,480			89,878	
1970-71		286,847			201,625			88,158	
Months : 1970 November		26,181			18,059			8,502	
December		23,859			18,134			7,728	
1971 January		16,128			9,923			5,666	
February		23,441			15,743			7,274	
March		26,665			18,998			7,974	
April		23,771			15,451			6,962	
May		24,959			16,798			6,974	
June		23,435			16,485			5,832	
July	14,597	8,807	531	9,933	7,053	839	5,088	2,710	288
August	13,933	8,208	604	9,728	6,273	556	3,903	3,023	129
September	15,150	10,022	621	10,191	5,744	762	4,774	2,842	112
October	14,538	7,290	398	11,386	6,322	675	4,429	3,070	150
November	16,995	8,260	895	12,153	6,509	895	5,289	3,148	178
December	15,711	7,660	628	11,821	5,861	957	4,587	3,049	125
6 months ended December 1971	90,924	50,247	3,677	65,212	37,762	4,684	28,070	17,842	982
6 months ended December 1970		148,448			108,227			47,476	

(a) Width of 3 ft 6 in and under. (b) Width of over 3 ft 6 in up to and including 4 ft 6 in. (c) Width of over 4 ft 6 in.

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TABLE 2. - INNER SPRING MATTRESSES - continued

(Number)

Period	S.A.			W.A. and Tas.			Australia		
Code No.	844.22(a)	844.25(b)	844.27(c)	844.22(a)	844.25(b)	844.27(c)	844.22(a)	844.25(b)	844.27(c)
1968-69		61,840			68,381			656,588	
1969-70		68,223			75,663			716,634	
1970-71		64,505			80,327			721,462	
Months : 1970 November		5,728			6,711			65,181	
December		7,167			7,388			64,276	
1971 January		4,275			5,786			41,778	
February		5,007			6,525			57,990	
March		5,802			6,955			66,394	
April		4,408			6,784			57,376	
May		4,416			6,707			59,854	
June		4,165			6,192			56,109	
July	4,229	1,714	77	4,157	1,757	118	38,004	22,041	1,853
August	4,287	1,630	124	5,259	2,191	144	37,110	21,325	1,557
September	3,500	1,419	124	4,651	2,168	146	38,266	22,195	1,765
October	3,186	1,802	105	3,939	1,861	135	37,478	20,345	1,463
November	4,464	1,921	90	4,419	1,890	153	43,320	21,728	2,211
December	4,473	1,918	103	4,861	1,805	142	41,453	20,293	1,955
6 months ended December 1971	24,139	10,404	623	27,286	11,672	838	235,631	127,927	10,804
6 months ended December 1970		36,432			41,378			381,961	

(a)(b)(c) See footnotes on page 3.

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

(Number)

Period	Rubber (includes sponge and foam rubber)			Plastic foam and sponge			All other mattresses (includes kapok, fibre, etc.)		
Code No.	844.42(b)	844.45(c)	844.47(d)	844.52(b)	844.55(c)	844.57(d)	844.62(b)	844.65(c)	844.67(d)
1968-69		55,076			172,839			63,065	
1969-70		48,759			214,140			55,308	
1970-71		45,379			266,108			49,739	
Months : 1970 November		4,983			23,681			5,317	
December		4,154			29,483			5,329	
1971 January		2,302			11,725			2,566	
February		2,943			21,320			3,686	
March		4,688			28,748			4,871	
April		3,407			26,230			3,148	
May		3,868			21,819			3,591	
June		2,628			24,537			3,167	
July	2,038	958	156	22,348	3,477	81	2,157		457
August	2,329	980	198	24,675	2,583	47	2,470		268
September	1,992	827	191	25,272	2,462	32	3,205		205
October	1,814	755	121	22,141	2,050	142	2,988		168
November	2,685	721	134	22,888	2,500	182	3,609		236
December	1,806	882	157	24,748	2,489	251	3,313		187
6 months ended December 1971	12,664	5,123	957	142,072	15,561	735	17,742	1,521	
6 months ended December 1970		25,543			131,729			28,710	

(a) Excludes pillows, pram mattresses, cushions, camp bags etc. and overlays, camp stretchers and folding sun lounge type mattresses under 3" thick. (b) Width of 3 ft 6 in and under. (c) Width of over 3 ft 6 in up to and including 4 ft 6 in. (d) Width of over 4 ft 6 in.

TABLE 3. - MATTRESSES OTHER THAN INNER SPRING - continued, AND STRETCHERS AND FOLDING BEDS

(Number)

Period	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Australia	Stretchers and folding beds	
								Wire	Other (incl.camp)
Code No.	844.42,45,47,52,55,57,62,65,67							844.71	844.75
1968-69	124,458	57,909	42,309	11,649	48,806	5,849	290,980	(a)	39,436
1969-70	146,135	70,543	32,738	12,309	51,526	4,956	318,207	45,635	30,783
1970-71	159,318	87,244	39,245	15,828	54,951	4,640	361,226	r59,115	30,259
Months : 1970 November	14,023	10,123	3,707	1,250	4,575	303	33,981	r 6,761	5,538
December	18,645	9,735	3,256	1,699	5,220	411	38,966	r 6,633	5,044
1971 January	4,748	4,276	2,218	816	4,386	149	16,593	r 3,083	1,251
February	12,068	6,198	3,565	1,299	4,410	409	27,949	r 6,615	1,915
March	19,692	7,810	3,933	1,651	4,570	651	38,307	r 5,243	1,826
April	14,853	6,830	3,605	1,488	5,746	263	32,785	r 6,160	1,693
May	13,645	5,635	3,546	1,315	4,873	264	29,278	r 4,472	1,319
June	15,644	5,572	3,189	1,388	4,040	499	30,332	r 4,062	592
July	16,803	6,107	3,063	1,435	3,928	336	31,672	6,311	726
August	17,605	6,354	3,180	2,074	4,099	238	33,550	8,074	2,610
September	16,110	7,299	3,291	1,856	5,339	291	34,186	9,974	2,403
October	13,665	6,606	3,144	2,017	4,259	488	30,179	9,891	3,131
November	15,271	6,816	2,954	2,011	5,424	478	32,955	14,146	4,618
December	15,443	7,978	2,760	2,072	5,135	445	33,833	16,391	5,063
6 months ended December 1971	94,897	41,161	18,392	11,465	28,184	2,276	196,375	64,787	18,551
6 months ended December 1970	78,668	50,923	19,189	7,871	26,926	2,405	185,982	29,480	21,663

(a) Not yet available.

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