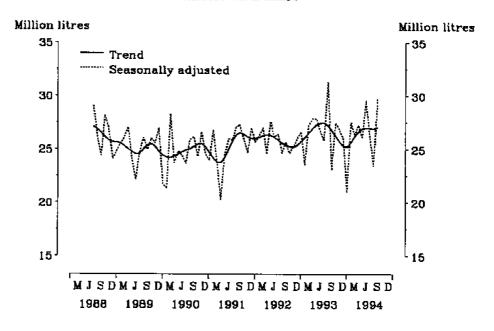


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SALES OF AUSTRALIAN WINE AND BRANDY BY WINEMAKERS, SEPTEMBER 1994

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

DOMESTIC WINE SALES



Domestic sales

In seasonally adjusted terms, total domestic sales of Australian wine for September 1994 were 29.8 million litres, an increase of 27.3 per cent on August 1994 and 29.4 per cent up on sales in September 1993. The lower than usual domestic wine sales reported for September 1993 were influenced by proposals to increase the sales tax on wine as part of the 1993 Federal Budget.

As a result of the significant increase in the September 1994 seasonally adjusted domestic wine sales, the trend series has been revised and is basically flat to September. The trend shows a marginal increase of 0.6 per cent between August and September 1994. This follows a fall of 0.2 per cent in each of the previous two periods after a five month period of trend growth. However, unless the seasonally adjusted estimate of wine sales in October falls by at least 11.6 per cent, the trend series will continue to show growth in October 1994 (the average monthly movement regardless of sign in this series is 7.0 per cent). Readers are reminded that recent trend estimates are provisional and could change when data for future months become available.

In original terms, there were 29.5 million litres sold domestically during September 1994, a 26.3 per cent increase on August 1994. Most of this increase can be attributed to increased sales in the white table and sparkling wine types.

Exports

A total of 11.0 million litres of wine valued at \$35.8 million was exported from Australia in August 1994. This is 3.4 per cent higher in terms of volume than July 1994 but 4.9 per cent lower than August 1993.

In the eight months to August 1994, Australia exported 77.9 million litres of wine, 4.1 per cent or 3.3 million litres less than for the same period to August 1993. However, the value of these exports increased by 3.7 per cent or \$8.6 million.

During this eight month period, the Northeast Asia region recorded an increase in volume of 9.5 per cent, while all other regions decreased. Southeast Asia decreased by 20.0 per cent, Oceania 7.7 per cent, North America 7.0 per cent and Europe and the CIS were down by 2.5 per cent.

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SUMMARY OF FINDINGS (continued)

Imports

Australia imported 0.8 million litres of wine in August 1994 at a cost of \$4.3 million.

For the eight months to August 1994, Australia imported 5.0 million litres of wine 1.3 per cent more than for the same period in 1993. These imports cost \$26.2 million, a reduction in cost of 6.8 per cent or \$1.9 million when compared with the same period in 1993.

A comparison of domestic wine sales (original data) for the nine months ended September 1993 and 1994 follows. Care should be exercised when interpreting year-to-date figures as measures of trend growth because year-to-date figures do not accurately reflect changes in trend sales. See paragraph 12 in Explanatory Notes.

	9 months end	ed September	Percentage
Wine type	1993	1994	change
	'000L	,000F	
Table			
White - bottles 1 litre and under	31,570	33,942	7.5
White - other containers	102,750	97,786	-4.8
Total	134,320	131,728	-1.9
Red - bottles 1 litre and under	19,205	21,263	10.7
Red - other containers	22,469	23,035	2.5
Total	41,674	44,298	6.3
Rose - bottles 1 litre and under	406	382	-5.9
Rose - other containers	2,953	3,023	2.4
Total	3,359	3,405	1.4
Total table wine	179,353	179,431	0.0
Fortified	20,320	19,717	-3.0
Sparkling			
Bottle fermented	14,176	13,844	-2.3
Bulk fermented	2,856	2,627	0,8-
Total sparkling wine	17,032	16,471	-3.3
Other	4,888	4,542	-7.1
TOTAL WINE SALES	221,593	220,161	-0.6

As foreshadowed in the previous issue of this publication the addition of September 1993 and 1994 sales data has offset the effect of the irregular movements in August and September 1993 sales data due to the proposed increase in the sales tax on wine. This makes the above comparision more reliable. For the nine months ended September 1994, domestic sales of Australian wine by winemakers were lower (by 0.6%) on the corresponding period in 1993.

The following highlight major movements within the various wine types:

- White table wine sales decreased 1.9 per cent, with an increase in sales of bottled wine (7.5%) offset by a decrease in wine sold in other containers (4.8%).
- Red table wine sales increased by 6.3 per cent, with an increase in sales of bottled wine
 of 10.7 per cent and a 2.5 per cent increase in red wine sold in other containers.
- Sparkling wine sales were down by 3.3 per cent.
- Sales of fortified wine fell by 3.0 per cent.

TABLE 1. DOMESTIC SALES OF AUSTRALIAN WINE AND BRANDY BY WINEMAKERS

		-	Win	e type				Total wine		
			Spark-	Carbon-	Flavoured			Seasonally	Trend	
Period	Table	Fortified	ling	ated	(a)	Vermouth	Original	adjusted	estimate	Brandy(b)
					('000 litres)					('000L af)
1991-92	246,704	29,891	30,153	3,751	2,921	1,410	314,830		**	1,380
1992-93	246,308	28,420	29,971	3,256	2,845	1,281	312,081			1,312
1993-94	254,741	27,026	30,543	3,525	2,426	1,258	319,519			1,301
1993-94-										
July	23,632	2,923	2,048	354	276	122	29,356	r25,799	127,436	139
August	25,198	2,626	2,795	279	270	66	31,234	r31,254	127,205	177
September	18,283	2,132	1,749	255	204	102	22,724	r23,030	r26,745	87
October	22,814	1,772	3,339	253	181	139	28,496	127,466	r26,202	87
November	25,291	2,526	4,227	375	312	128	32,857	т26,854	r25,677	132
December	27,119	2,755	6,410	509	251	154	37,198	r25,957	r25,270	151
January	10,926	1,154	1,197	153	n.p.	n.p.	13,652	r20,937	r25,198	72
February	18,836	1,568	1,968	228	n.p.	n.p.	22,784	127,489	r25,600	76
March	19,416	1,965	1,720	217	136	111	23,565	r26,293	r26,165	93
April	21,417	2,659	1,725	268	188	66	26,323	r27,266	r26,616	108
May	19,210	2,354	1,674	278	179	84	23,779	т26,034	r26,945	93
June	22,600	2,592	1,693	355	206	105	27,549	τ29,551	r27,002	86
1994-95—										
July	24,403	2,714	2,031	246	195	70	29,660	r26,175	r26,948	94
August	19,122	2,294	1,495	185	188	72	23,356	r23,401	r26,894	n.y.a.
September	23,500	2,416	2,968	342	176	91	29,492	29,795	27,048	п.у.а.
1993-94—										
July to September 1994–95—	67,113	7,681	6,592	888	750	290	83,314		**	403
July to September	67,025	7,424	6,495	773	559	233	82,507		**	n.y.a.

⁽a) Includes wine cocktails, marsala, aperitif and tonic wines. (b) Quantities on which excise duty was paid.

TABLE 2. DOMESTIC SALES OF AUSTRALIAN FORTIFIED AND SPARKLING WINE AND VERMOUTH BY
WINEMAKERS
(*000 litres)

				(300)	iiu es)					
	Fortified wine						Sparkling	g wine(a)		
		Sherry			Dessert wine		Bottle	Bulk		
		Medium				Other	fermen-	fermen-	Verm	iouth
Period	Dry	(b)	Sweet	Port	Muscat	(c)	tation	tation	Dry	Sweet
1991-92	2,281	2,938	7,173	15,933	1,438	128	25,406	4,747	644	766
1992-93	2,117	2,500	6,829	15,545	1,257	172	25,252	4,719	581	700
1993- 9 4	1,889	2,318	6,133	15,383	1,180	124	26,305	4,238	564	694
1993-94—										
July	191	240	667	1,663	146	16	1,737	311	58	64
August	168	195	558	1,575	117	14	2,429	366	35	31
September	138	184	524	1,189	89	9	1,421	328	50	52
October	166	160	380	982	76	9	2,975	364	n.p.	n.p.
November	170	218	568	1,443	116	11	3,676	551	65	63
December	159	234	553	1,683	111	14	5,718	692	п.р.	n.p.
January	99	99	304	599	47	6	1,038	159	п.р.	n.p.
February	101	151	384	864	63	6	1,650	318	n.p.	n.p.
March	171	179	492	1,027	85	10	1,446	274	44	67
April	176	251	671	1,439	114	8	1,430	294	31	35
May	159	185	476	1,425	100	10	1,387	287	40	43
June	190	<u>2</u> 22	558	1,493	117	11	1,399	294	48	57
1994-95—										
July	168	254	665	1,504	113	9	1,700	331	33	37
August	165	170	446	1,395	108	11	1,186	310	34	38
September	152	206	538	1,397	109	14	2,608	360	38	53
1993- 94										
July to September 1994-95	497	619	1,749	4,427	352	39	5,587	1,005	143	147
July to September	485	631	1,649	4,295	331	34	5,494	1,001	105	127

⁽a) Spritzig table wines are included with table wine. (b) Includes semi-sweet and medium dry. (c) Includes madeira, tokay, white port.

TABLE 3. DOMESTIC SALES OF AUSTRALIAN TABLE WINE BY CONTAINER TYPE ('000 litres)

	WHITE WINE NOT EXCEEDING 1 DEGREE BAUMÉ(a)						WHITE WINE EXCEEDING 1 DEGREE BAUMÉ(a)					
	Glass con	tainers				Glass co	ntainers					
Period	l litre and under	Over 1 litre	Soft pack(b)	Bulk(c)	Total	1 litre and under	Over 1 litre	Soft pack(b)	Bulk(c)	Total		
	40,736	1,627	122,410	6,690	171,463	2,725	203	15,721	80	18,729		
1991-92	•	1,319	120,534	4,784	167,880	2,856	203	15,405	61	18,525		
1992-93 1993-94	41,243 45,025	1,146	117,172	5,145	168,488	3,110	179	20,590	87	23,967		
1993-94										2012		
July	3,644	107	10,710	355	14,817	252	n.p.	1,748	п.р.	2,017		
August	4,694	107	10,586	587	15,974	319	n.p.	1,890	n.p.	2,261		
September	2,914	86	8,437	476	11,913	202	n.p.	1,376	n.p.	1,597		
October	3,686	99	11,080	392	15,256	254	n.p.	1,926	n.p.	2,196		
November	4,358	94	11,865	671	16,987	336	n.p.	2,169	п.р.	2,526		
December	5,587	118	12,062	774	18,542	431	n.p.	2,204	п.р.	2,668		
January	2,269	69	4,949	377	7,664	150	n.p.	911	n.p.	1,074		
February	3,685	92	9,271	405	13,453	280	n.p.	1,523	n.p.	1,820		
March	3,754	92	9,670	480	13,995	187	12	1,138	3	1,339		
April	3,708	94	9,658	250	13,709	279	n.p.	2,257	n.p₊	2,557		
May	3,210	86	8,722	169	12,186	193	n.p.	1,680	n.p.	1,891		
June	3,517	103	10,161	209	13,990	227	19	1,769	4	2,019		
1994-95		**	10.110	204	14200	225		1,674		1,919		
July	3,905	89	10,110	204	14,308		n.p.	1,344	n.p. 8	1,569		
August	3,670	73	7,511	198	11,452	205	12		-			
September	4,221	94	9,839	327	14,481	259	п.р.	2,017	n.p.	2,300		
1993-94— July to September 1994-95—	11,252	300	29,733	1,418	42,704	773	n.p.	5,014	n.p.	5,875		
July to September	11,796	257	27,460	729	40,241	689	n.p.	5,035	n.p.	5,788		

For footnotes see end of table.

TABLE 3. DOMESTIC SALES OF AUSTRALIAN TABLE WINE BY CONTAINER TYPE - continued ('000 litres)

				(*000)	litres)					
			RED					ROS	É	
	Glass con	tainers				Glass co	ntainers			
Period	1 lure and under	Over 1 litre	Soft pack(b)	Bulk(c)	Total	I litre and under	Over 1 lüre	Soft pack(b)	Bulk(c)	Total
1991-92	24,048	521	25,200	1,021	50,790	763	137	4,792	30	5,722
1992-93	25,268	464	28,677	642	55,051	n.p.	118	4,107	n.p.	4,852
1993-94	27,575	484	28,399	942	57,399	578	п.р.	4,178	n.p.	4,888
1993-94										
July	3,057	42	3,143	57	6,299	57	9	432	1	499
August	3,330	53	3,037	102	6,522	54	n.p.	376	n.p.	443
September	1,896	30	2,364	117	4,407	46	n.p.	307	n.p.	365
October	2,096	29	2,643	107	4,875	52	n.p.	424	n.p.	485
November	2,374	38	2,768	90	5,270	48	n.p.	449	n.p.	506
December	2,535	45	2,748	115	5,443	77	n.p.	371	n.p.	467
January	1,041	18	899	55	2,013	30	n.p.	139	n.p.	175
February	1,728	26	1,397	121	3,272	35	n.p.	246	n.p.	290
March	2,201	76	1,416	57	3,749	42	n.p.	281	n.p.	333
April	2,455	35	2,184	33	4,706	48	n.p.	389	п.р.	445
May	2,204	44	2,410	30	4,688	44	n.p.	391	n.p.	445
June	2,660	47	3,391	59	6,157	45	n.p.	374	n.p.	434
1994-95								400		4715
July	3,670	59	3,923	49	7,701	n.p.	9	409	n.p.	475
August	2,665	36	3,003	44	5,748	n.p.	8	307	n.p.	352
September	2,639	50	3,448	125	6,263	46	n.p.	397	ութ.	456
1993-94						1.55				1 207
July to September 1994-95—	8,283	125	8,544	276	17,228	157	n.p.	1,115	n.p.	1,307
July to September	8,974	146	10,375	218	19,713	138	n.p.	1,114	n.p.	1,283

⁽a) 1 degree baumé = 18 grams of sugar per litre. (b) Soft pack containers include all collapsible packs, plastic or otherwise. (c) Bulk includes rigid containers (plastic, steel, wood), tankers and cans.

TABLE 4. WINE AND BRANDY: IMPORTS CLEARED FOR HOME CONSUMPTION AND EXPORTS OF AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE

		Wii	не гуре	IAN PRODUC	Total	wine	Branc	dy d
Period	Table	Fortified	Sparkling	Other	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Valu
eriou	'000L	'000L	'000L	'000L	,000L	\$.000	'000L al	\$.00
				CLEARED	a de	45.40	((0	7.71
1991-92	5,190	160	2,373	979	8,703	45,649 46,984	662 629	7,315 8,085
1992-93	4,710	106	2,346	669	7,832 8,341	40,984 47,637	634	8,243
1993-94	4,404	152	2,301	1,484	0,341	47,007	054	U,Z/T.
1992-93—	212	7	188	21	528	2,704	64	56
June	312	,	100	21	320	2,704	04	20
1993-94—			***	02	769	4 20A	46	82
luly	456	10	220 194	83 147	769 816	4,380 3,573	46 47	64
August	462	13 8	235	165	811	3,373 4,744	61	81
September	404	5	235 215	160	730	4,709	55	63
October	350 476	13	334	187	1,009	6,268	60	91
November December	342	8	303	181	833	5,687	101	1,30
	182	25	118	80	404	2,741	43	55
January	250	14	224	60	549	2,977	49	50
February	293	7	106	97	502	2,798	42	54
March	301	10	123	105	539	2,317	40	40
April	307	15	115	95	532	2,995	47	54
May	582	24	115	125	845	4,448	44	55
June	302	24	115	123	0.12	,,		
1994-95—								
July	396	39	208	113	755	3,595	52 60	46
August	415	8	216	188	828	4,311	60	77
1993-94—	018	22	414	229	1,584	7,953	92	1,47
July to August 1994-95—	918	22	414	227	1,-04	1,553		1,47
July to August	811	47	423	301	1,582	7,906	112	1,24
			EXPO	ORTS (a)			<u>-</u>	
1991-92	71,752	2,384	3,904	639	78,679	243,526	74	96
1992-93	95,468	1,851	4,730	784	102,832	293,157	73	85
1993-94	r116,547	2,873	5,026	893	r125,339	r368,410	36	52
1992-93—								
June	10,858	183	508	45	11,593	33,955	4	4
1993- 94								
July	13,018	231	510	46	13,806	38,042	4	4
August	10,620	287	667	26	11,601	32,188	-	
September	12,319	432	699	86	13,537	43,730	6	3
October -	11,952	441	824	319	13,536	38,475	4	2
November	17,672	144	462	82	r8,360	22,520	3	7
December	7,688	313	200	136	8,337	23,428	2	3
January	5,871	84	175	30	6,159	16,296	1	5
February	6,741	181	223	18	7,163	22,069	1	
March	10,352	91	245	33	10,720	31,627	7	12
April	r9,807	302	r365	35	r10,509	г33,782	-	
May	r9,837	266	361	45	т10,509	r32,113	4	8
June	r10,669	100	296	37	т11,102	r34,142	3	1
1994-95—								
July	г9,904	т435	r303	r30	r10,673	r32,280	4	14
August	10,384	218	383	48	11,034	35,810	2	3
1993- 94								
1993-94— July to August 1994-95—	23,638	519	1,177	72	25,407	70,229	4	5

⁽a) Exports may include sales made by exporters other than winemakers.

TABLE 5. EXPORTS OF AUSTRALIAN WINE BY COUNTRY OF DESTINATION, AUGUST 1994

	-	W	ine type		Total	wine
Country/Region	Table	Fortified	Sparkling	Other	Quantity	Value
		. 1=1=	(Litres)			(\$1000)
Fiji	47,706	3,021	5,427	-	56,154	184
New Caledonia	43,578	-	1,170	_	44,748	79
New Zealand	1,001,816	106,013	17,100	21,811	1,146,740	2,431
Total Oceania & Antarctica (a)	1,142,037	110,696	28,341	21,811	1,302,885	2,908
Denmark	39,600	-	-	-	39,600	157
Finland	41,400	-	•	•	41,400	130
Germany	115,770	90	918		116,778	541
Ireland	229,005	-	5,850	-	234,855	913
Netherlands	83,667	-	585	-	84,252	313
Norway	160,258	-	-	-	160,258	276
Russian Federation	28,520	-	-	-	28,520	40
Sweden	1,530,340	-	•	180	1,530,520	2,509
Switzerland	114,049	-	4,050	-	118,099	505
United Kingdom	5,285,922	81,007	308,628	13,833	5,689,390	20,126
Total Europe & the CIS (a)	7,658,021	81,097	324,351	14,013	8,077,482	25,581
Bahrain	19,675	-	-	-	19,675	24
United Arab Emirates	77,488	1,125	3,780	-	82,393	147
Total Middle East & North Africa (a)	97,163	1,125	3,780	388	102,456	174
Philippines	9,775	-	1,350	600	11,725	53
Singapore	41,217	270	900	3,511	45,898	233
Thailand	41,754	450	1,350	-	43,554	98
Total Southeast Asia (a)	104,765	720	3,936	4,449	113,870	460
Hong Kong	42,988	970	6,741	3,060	53,759	305
Japan	70,949	6,367	4,180	2,850	84,346	470
Taiwan	3,150	-	28	558	3,736	26
Total Northeast Asia (a)	117,537	7,337	10,949	6,468	142,291	803
Canada	413,001	12,971	5,301	-	431,273	1,697
USA	822,950	4,248	6,611	1,242	835,051	4,107
Total North America (a)	1,235,951	17,219	11,912	1,242	1,266,324	5,805
Total Other Regions(b)	28,962	-	27	-	28,989	79
Total All Countries	10,384,436	218,194	383,296	48,371	11,034,297	35,810

⁽a) Includes other countries as detailed in Australian Standard Classification of Countries for Social Statistics (1269.0). (b) Includes ship's stores.

TABLE 6: EXPORTS OF AUSTRALIAN WINE BY REGION ('000 litres)

				('000 litres)				
20 1	Oceania &	Europe &	Middle	Southeast Asia	Northeast Asia	North America	Other	Total ali
Period	Antarctica	the CIS	East					Regions
1991-92	7,509	50,824	855	1,601	3,450	14,153	288	78,679
1992-93	18,251	61,623	799	1,969	3,483	16,356	351	102,832
1993-94	24,953	r73,251	943	r2,121	r5,268	г18,461	341	т125,339
1992-93—								
June _	2,355	7,256	65	129	220	1,555	12	11,593
1993-94								
July	2,907	7,662	111	195	481	2,438	12	13,806
August	2,171	7,220	80	131	578	1,405	15	11,601
September	1,980	8,616	111	166	468	2,151	45	13,537
October	3,067	7,735	63	328	628	1,668	47	13,536
November	2,065	4,417	65	147	332	r1,266	67	r8,360
December	2,335	3,821	49	248	607	1,252	25	8,337
January	1,281	3,728	5 6	80	223	7 76	15	6,159
February	1,420	3,760	95	149	309	1,405	26	7,163
March	1,652	6,944	67	188	365	1,477	26	10,720
April	2,547	5,930	89	r140	328	1,450	25	т10,509
May	2,468	r5,934	88	168	346	r1,491	15	r10,509
June	1,059	r7,485	68	r182	r602	1,682	24	rl 1,102
1994-95								
July	r2,133	r6,023	r76	r74	г447	r1,905	r15	r10,673
August	1,303	8,077	102	114	142	1,266	29	11,034
1993-94								
July-August	5,078	14,882	192	326	1,060	3,843	27	25,407
1994-95—					#A.C			
July-August	3,436	14,100	179	188	589	3,172	44	21,70

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

The information shown in this publication for wine sales is obtained directly from winemakers by means of a mail collection. The brandy sales figures shown represent quantities on which excise duty was paid, i.e. the quantity of brandy released for sale. Statistics relating to exports and import clearances are based on information provided to the Australian Customs Service by importers, exporters and their agents.

Scope and coverage

- 2. The information on wine is obtained from winemaking enterprises with wine sales of 250,000 litres or more in the previous financial year. These account for approximately 97 per cent of total wine sales.
- 3. Tables 1-3 include all sales by winemakers (within the scope of the collection) with the exception of exports, sales for ships' stores, sales of imported wine and brandy and inter-winery sales, the last exclusion being necessary to avoid duplication in the published figures. Figures relating to foreign trade in wine and brandy are presented in Table 4 to provide a basis for assessing the overall Australian wine market.
- 4. Imports cleared for home consumption comprise those goods entered for home consumption, together with goods cleared from Customs warehouses. Exports of Australian produce are defined as exports of goods, materials or articles which have been produced, manufactured or partly manufactured in Australia.
- 5. Commencing with April 1992, the timing basis for the compilation of merchandise exports statistics has been changed. The change involves compiling exports statistics on the basis of goods shipped in any period rather than the basis of the documentation of goods shipped in that or earlier periods. In the past only about half of shipments were recorded in the month of shipment, the remainder recorded in subsequent months. The effect of the change is significant on monthly data but marginal on annual data. For more information about the changed basis of compilation refer to publication Foreign Trade Australia: Merchandise Exports, April 1992. (5432.0)
- 6. All sales data are collected on an Australia-wide basis only and State figures are therefore not available.
- 7. The wine content of products consisting of a mixture of wine and fruit juice, commonly known as 'coolers', is included in the appropriate category of wine from which it is made, which is generally table wine. Where a wine is categorised by container type (i.e. table wine) the wine content of 'coolers' is included in the 'bulk' figure.

Seasonally adjusted and trend estimates

- 8. Seasonal adjustment is a means of removing the estimated effects of normal seasonal variation from the series so that the effects of other influences can be more clearly recognised. Seasonal adjustment does not remove from the series the effect of irregular influences (e.g. abnormal weather and industrial disputes).
- 9. The smoothing of seasonally adjusted series to create trend estimates is a means of reducing the impact of the irregular component of the series. The trend estimates of wine sales have been derived by applying a 13-term Henderson weighted moving average to the seasonally adjusted series.

- 10. While this smoothing technique enables estimates of trend to be produced for the latest month, it does result in revisions to the estimates for the most recent months as data for subsequent months become available. Generally subsequent revisions become smaller and after 3 months have a negligible impact on the series. There will also be revisions as a result of revisions to the original series and periodic reviews of seasonal factors. The latest review, in September 1993, revised seasonally adjusted and trend monthly series back to July 1975.
- 11. Users may wish to refer to the ABS Information Papers A Guide to Smoothing Time Series Estimates of 'Trend' (1316.0) and Time Series Decomposition An Overview (1317.0) for more detailed information on smoothing of seasonally adjusted time series data.
- 12. Care should be exercised when interpreting year-to-date figures as measures of trend growth. Due to their temporal phase-shifting properties, year-to-date measures are not always useful for detecting turning points in the data. In particular, these measures are not responsive to more recent trend changes and can be indicative of more historical growth patterns. A further deficiency is that with each additional month of data, the extent of smoothing implicit in the year-to-date measure varies, giving for each month a different form of trend estimate. That is, the degree of smoothing after 3 months will be different to that achieved with 10 months of data. It is possible that the year-to-date measure will suggest results that do not accord with the ABS trend estimate, which is a much more timely indicator of recent trend behaviour.

Related publications

13. Other ABS publications which may be of interest include:

Manufacturing Production, Australia, Food, Drink, Tobacco, Stock and Poultry Food (8359.0) - issued quarterly, contains production statistics for wine based mixed drinks ('coolers').

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