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**INTERSTATE ROAD FREIGHT MOVEMENT, AUSTRALIA
JUNE QUARTER, 1994**

Note: Users should exercise caution when comparing current quarterly data with the same quarters in previous years. For details, see paragraph 6 of Explanatory Notes.

MAIN FEATURES

Total interstate road freight moved by major operators during the June quarter 1994 rose by 3.3 per cent over the March quarter 1994 to nearly 4.7 million tonnes. This follows a decrease of 3.6 per cent in the March quarter 1994.

Construction of the Hume Highway bypass of Yass contributed to the 125 per cent increase in total freight tonnages originating from Canberra. The estimate from Newcastle shows an increase of 30 per cent, partly due to an increase in cartage of fertilisers and dangerous goods. Freight originating from Wollongong shows a fall of nearly 25 per cent. This fall was largely due to a number of respondents no longer carrying freight interstate.

Nearly all centres showed increases in total freight tonnes received, with Geelong recording an increase of over 200 per cent and Wollongong showing an increase of nearly 80 per cent. Movement of rice for export affected the Geelong freight received estimate whilst the cyclical demand for mining products was a factor in the increase of freight moved to Wollongong.

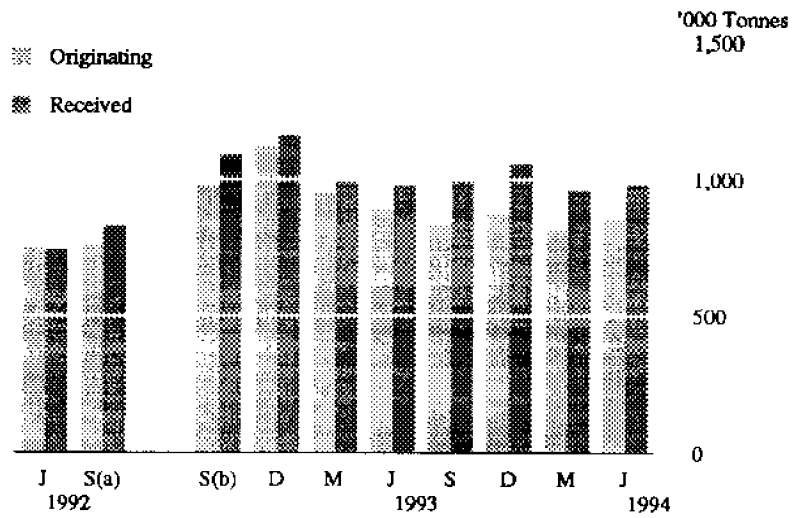
**ROAD FREIGHT ORIGINATING
FROM CENTRES**

**ROAD FREIGHT RECEIVED
BY CENTRES**

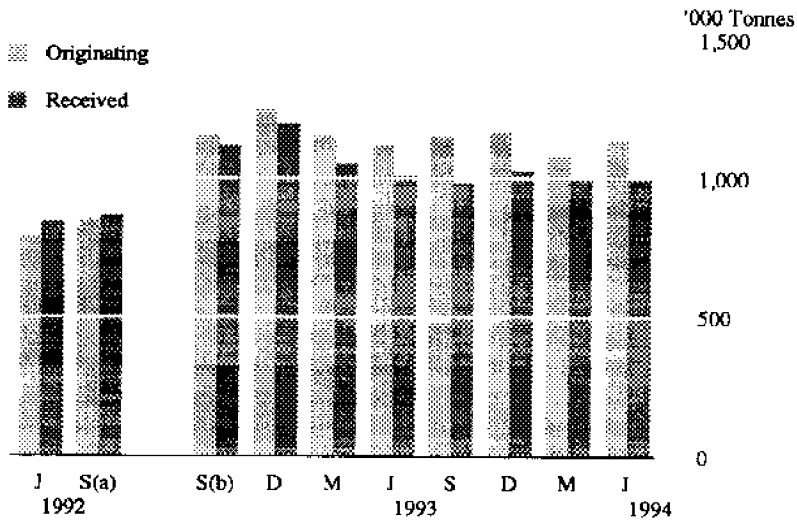
	Change between March qtr 1994 and June qtr 1994 %		Change between March qtr 1994 and June qtr 1994 %
Sydney	4.0	Sydney	2.3
Newcastle	30.0	Newcastle	4.8
Wollongong	-24.7	Wollongong	79.7
Melbourne	4.6	Melbourne	0.9
Geelong	3.1	Geelong	206.2
Brisbane	1.5	Brisbane	1.1
Adelaide	3.8	Adelaide	1.9
Perth	-8.4	Perth	-6.7
Tasmania	4.4	Tasmania	0.5
Darwin	8.9	Darwin	15.3
Canberra	124.8	Canberra	-3.4
Other Interstate	-1.2	Other Interstate	-1.8
Total	3.3	Total	3.3

INTERSTATE ROAD FREIGHT ORIGINATING/RECEIVED AT MAJOR CENTRES

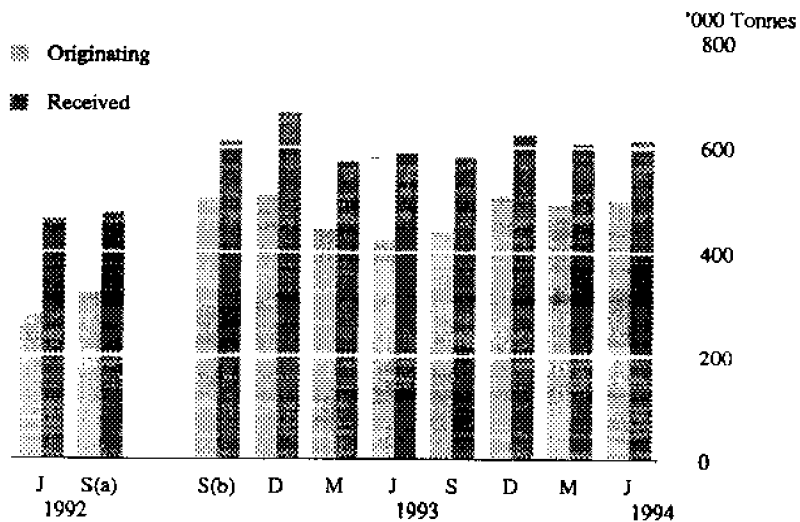
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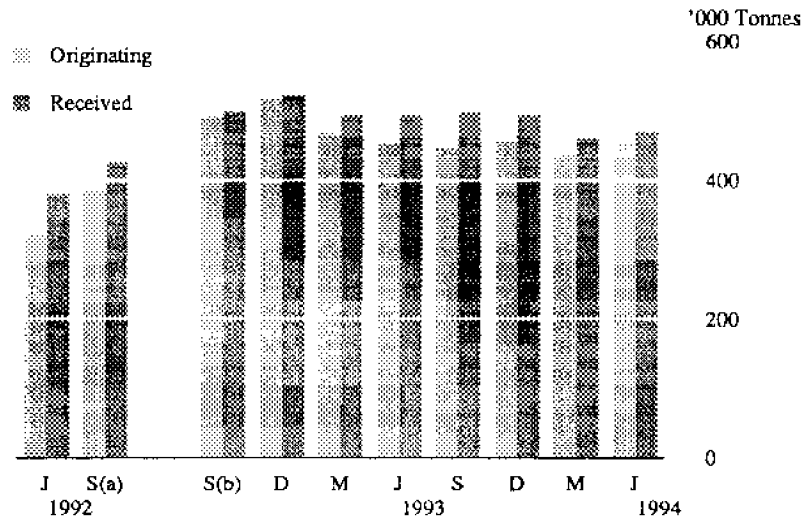
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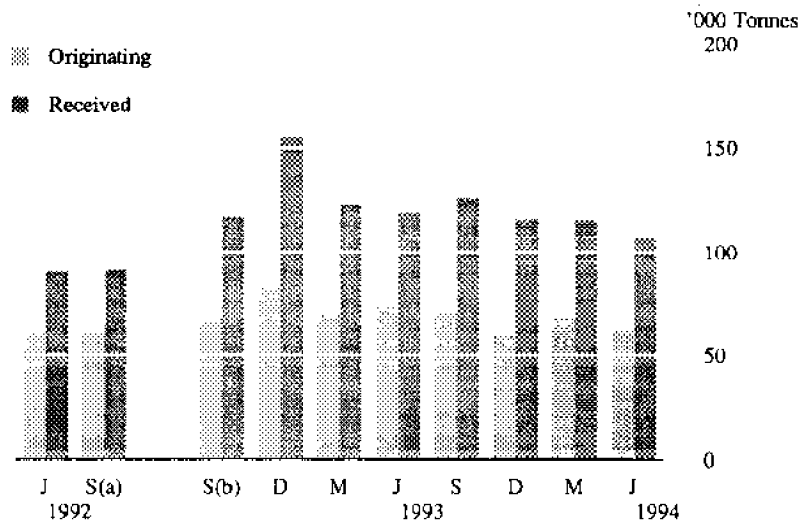
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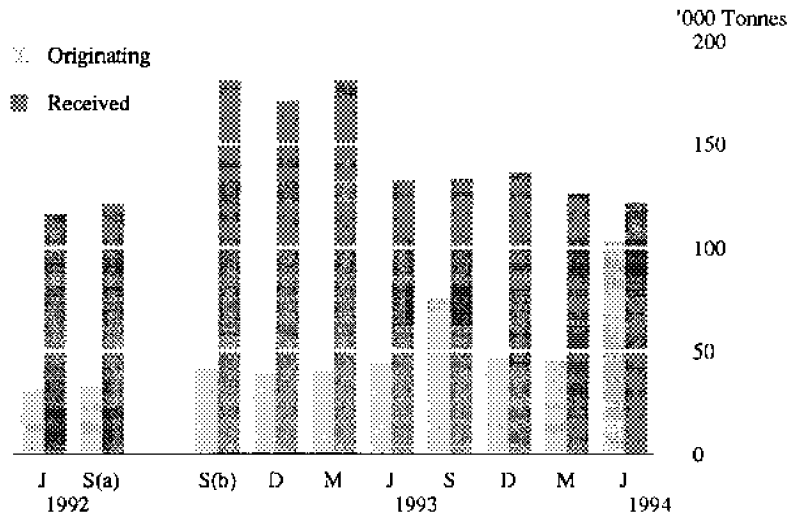
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TABLE 1. FREIGHT MOVED INTERSTATE BY MAJOR FREIGHT FORWARDERS AND ROAD TRANSPORT OPERATORS
BETWEEN SPECIFIED CENTRES, BY ROAD
(Tonnes)

Origin	Quarter—	Destination								
		Sydney	Newcastle	Wollongong	Other New South Wales	Melbourne	Geelong	Other Victoria	Brisbane	Other Queensland
Sydney										
	1992-93 —									
	June	..	..	..	..	377,292	5,963	35,227	208,994	36,359
	1993-94 —									
	September	..	..	..	..	352,332	6,694	23,100	199,877	39,435
	December	..	..	..	..	375,321	6,946	26,204	212,743	34,236
	March	..	..	..	..	r348,580	5,257	23,864	r211,259	26,647
	June	..	..	..	..	369,260	5,706	22,468	211,719	30,782
Newcastle										
	1992-93 —									
	June	..	..	..	..	22,804	5,324	851	11,014	12,453
	1993-94 —									
	September	..	..	..	..	20,660	7,494	5,094	12,581	12,913
	December	..	..	..	..	20,771	6,212	n.p.	10,524	32,275
	March	..	..	..	..	20,144	2,278	n.p.	14,215	23,227
	June	..	..	..	..	27,606	2,267	642	25,785	28,414
Wollongong										
	1992-93 —									
	June	..	..	..	..	42,404	n.p.	4,419	11,498	n.p.
	1993-94 —									
	September	..	..	..	..	50,787	n.p.	523	12,341	4,746
	December	..	..	..	..	52,321	n.p.	2,418	11,252	5,212
	March	..	..	..	..	52,149	67	3,583	11,296	4,588
	June	..	..	..	..	40,570	96	2,956	5,760	n.p.
Other New South Wales										
	1992-93 —									
	June	..	..	..	..	189,822	50,788	66,856	91,230	84,621
	1993-94 —									
	September	..	..	..	..	191,116	56,023	45,835	86,872	102,618
	December	..	..	..	..	183,570	60,174	60,354	103,520	92,989
	March	..	..	..	..	r206,711	r40,366	r96,389	r110,161	107,229
	June	..	..	..	..	190,043	148,746	54,365	103,698	99,324
Melbourne										
	1992-93 —									
	June	434,411	9,524	13,240	138,865	..	..	..	152,505	47,802
	1993-94 —									
	September	448,269	19,913	10,707	134,714	..	..	..	156,253	52,501
	December	453,078	13,956	12,316	142,709	..	..	..	165,665	46,784
	March	r401,761	11,434	10,933	r160,389	..	..	..	r147,589	49,515
	June	424,938	13,641	17,135	153,958	..	..	..	158,027	53,431
Geelong										
	1992-93 —									
	June	11,196	41	n.p.	9,508	..	..	..	1,851	168
	1993-94 —									
	September	10,318	78	n.p.	9,355	..	..	..	1,860	93
	December	12,144	94	n.p.	11,766	..	..	..	455	125
	March	12,188	78	n.p.	18,567	..	..	..	1,688	55
	June	10,956	139	n.p.	20,131	..	..	..	2,016	338
Other Victoria										
	1992-93 —									
	June	109,059	5,375	n.p.	13,417	..	..	..	52,997	2,836
	1993-94 —									
	September	108,852	5,220	n.p.	12,823	..	..	..	50,826	4,915
	December	111,139	5,815	n.p.	15,460	..	..	..	56,536	3,070
	March	r113,045	4,678	134	r18,628	55,884	3,980
	June	105,244	4,218	357	14,481	48,997	4,167

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BETWEEN SPECIFIED CENTRES, BY ROAD *continued*
(Tonnes)

Origin	Quarter—	Destination								Total
		Adelaide	Other South Australia	Perth	Other Western Australia	Tasmania	Darwin	Other Northern Territory	Canberra	
Sydney	1992-93—									
	June	120,792	4,837	38,359	427	4,926	3,210	536	49,690	886,612
	1993-94 —									
	September	116,945	5,094	35,167	759	3,585	3,916	332	48,188	835,424
	December	117,933	4,111	35,070	538	4,298	4,027	656	52,202	874,285
	March	r111,403	4,872	33,546	507	2,864	4,420	1,182	r44,958	r819,359
	June	116,184	4,796	28,149	845	3,182	7,987	894	50,000	851,972
Newcastle	1992-93—									
	June	8,705	n.p.	329	n.p.	14	22	n.p.	253	64,267
	1993-94 —									
	September	8,787	n.p.	124	n.p.	20	12	n.p.	937	71,556
	December	8,342	1,909	262	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	462	84,425
	March	11,139	2,410	215	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	396	78,197
	June	10,163	3,602	428	n.p.	56	n.p.	n.p.	1,144	101,640
Wollongong	1992-93—									
	June	5,636	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	203	n.p.	416	72,689
	1993-94 —									
	September	6,316	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	223	n.p.	n.p.	79,603
	December	5,380	n.p.	1,569	n.p.	n.p.	217	n.p.	272	80,203
	March	5,232	n.p.	1,350	n.p.	n.p.	321	—	206	79,737
	June	3,410	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	232	—	537	60,084
Other New South Wales	1992-93—									
	June	39,270	4,716	4,625	n.p.	294	n.p.	—	25,413	558,741
	1993-94 —									
	September	39,300	8,806	5,456	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	30,278	569,676
	December	40,032	9,445	5,514	n.p.	496	n.p.	n.p.	28,739	587,949
	March	r38,828	12,105	r10,846	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	27,786	r653,764
	June	39,423	9,491	5,517	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	19,088	673,293
Melbourne	1992-93—									
	June	212,782	24,464	38,963	716	..	8,310	1,280	35,373	1,118,235
	1993-94 —									
	September	214,038	24,337	44,673	2,376	..	5,278	381	37,357	1,150,797
	December	216,039	29,023	40,442	1,683	..	6,013	876	38,426	1,167,010
	March	r186,556	34,800	r38,782	1,286	..	r3,391	492	r36,922	r1,083,850
	June	200,654	29,072	43,222	1,483	..	3,819	438	33,751	1,133,569
Geelong	1992-93—									
	June	5,800	12	185	n.p.	..	n.p.	—	n.p.	32,719
	1993-94 —									
	September	4,662	n.p.	147	n.p.	..	9	—	n.p.	30,102
	December	n.p.	22	140	n.p.	..	n.p.	—	n.p.	32,449
	March	n.p.	26	81	n.p.	..	n.p.	—	n.p.	39,960
	June	4,884	26	210	n.p.	..	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	41,199
Other Victoria	1992-93—									
	June	30,469	19,455	2,146	14	..	n.p.	—	3,282	240,400
	1993-94 —									
	September	34,777	n.p.	2,303	n.p.	..	38	—	2,421	240,378
	December	26,432	23,262	2,632	n.p.	..	34	n.p.	2,128	247,732
	March	28,037	38,134	1,532	n.p.	..	35	n.p.	2,607	r266,953
	June	25,111	n.p.	1,721	n.p.	..	41	n.p.	5,233	241,722

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BETWEEN SPECIFIED CENTRES, BY ROAD *continued*
(Tonnes)

Origin	Quarter—	Destination								
		Sydney	Newcastle	Wollongong	Other New South Wales	Melbourne	Geelong	Other Victoria	Brisbane	Other Queensland
Brisbane										
	1992-93—									
	June	147,792	8,705	2,504	113,347	79,122	n.p.	8,208	..	..
	1993-94 —									
	September	156,886	8,864	4,849	115,214	81,049	1,458	11,415	..	..
	December	168,036	9,798	1,837	163,759	86,796	n.p.	8,524	..	..
	March	167,717	12,426	1,404	149,107	84,530	1,320	12,002	..	..
	June	166,625	13,005	2,244	161,696	84,885	1,945	6,429	..	..
Other Queensland										
	1992-93—									
	June	82,453	n.p.	n.p.	23,019	35,546	28	1,779	..	..
	1993-94 —									
	September	81,939	2,533	n.p.	33,859	34,528	221	574	..	..
	December	116,890	4,140	6,241	n.p.	51,687	205	1,420	..	..
	March	78,593	4,655	n.p.	82,915	29,221	41	n.p.	..	..
	June	78,403	3,432	n.p.	72,028	37,288	305	n.p.	..	..
Adelaide										
	1992-93—									
	June	108,970	2,945	1,151	16,217	161,042	2,648	63,942	36,288	5,779
	1993-94 —									
	September	105,795	2,697	500	15,499	155,839	2,615	70,635	35,423	6,116
	December	106,503	3,158	n.p.	12,157	161,463	4,366	70,953	40,958	7,812
	March	101,303	4,453	1,518	11,584	147,482	3,142	78,680	34,944	6,868
	June	110,964	5,003	n.p.	11,131	152,356	4,031	72,759	37,312	7,495
Other South Australia										
	1992-93—									
	June	39,878	3,404	n.p.	4,389	71,571	693	108,826	11,230	263
	1993-94 —									
	September	42,874	6,221	n.p.	4,604	69,974	1,469	114,498	14,605	3,015
	December	44,087	5,408	n.p.	3,448	75,905	816	81,335	9,824	262
	March	37,608	2,941	n.p.	5,280	83,150	n.p.	81,664	10,046	63
	June	35,539	2,953	n.p.	5,675	76,403	1,442	64,755	10,159	191
Perth										
	1992-93—									
	June	20,565	83	n.p.	863	24,813	n.p.	401	5,997	1,309
	1993-94 —									
	September	18,321	128	n.p.	678	23,915	71	924	5,472	1,333
	December	15,769	128	88	695	14,502	n.p.	1,961	6,512	1,305
	March	18,445	228	n.p.	518	15,600	n.p.	479	5,811	1,143
	June	17,511	192	139	901	17,355	n.p.	450	5,382	2,116
Other Western Australia										
	1992-93—									
	June	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
	1993-94 —									
	September	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
	December	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
	March	n.p.	—	—	n.p.	26	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.
	June	226	n.p.	—	n.p.	28	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
Tasmania										
	1992-93—									
	June	1,003	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	..	..	..	n.p.	n.p.
	1993-94 —									
	September	772	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	..	..	..	n.p.	n.p.
	December	423	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	28
	March	1,192	n.p.	n.p.	23	507	26
	June	1,445	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	480	48

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BETWEEN SPECIFIED CENTRES, BY ROAD *continued*
(Tonnes)

Origin	Quarter—	Destination								Total
		Adelaide	Other South Australia	Perth	Other Western Australia	Tasmania	Darwin	Other Northern Territory	Canberra	
Brisbane	1992-93—									
	June	40,423	1,024	5,305	723	n.p.	7,699	349	7,471	425,677
	1993-94 —									
	September	40,913	928	5,624	404	1,063	7,216	349	4,943	441,175
	December	43,887	1,029	5,809	457	1,339	8,290	n.p.	5,678	506,950
	March	40,509	799	5,396	454	1,800	7,441	815	5,975	491,695
	June	42,208	963	5,059	n.p.	1,930	4,817	n.p.	5,739	499,021
Other Queensland	1992-93—									
	June	7,089	n.p.	1,549	n.p.	116	1,445	n.p.	362	165,378
	1993-94 —									
	September	9,679	n.p.	2,584	9	88	1,032	254	550	171,286
	December	9,633	n.p.	1,765	12	224	839	241	535	271,152
	March	5,527	415	2,257	n.p.	157	748	498	n.p.	213,945
	June	7,128	121	2,467	121	161	1,237	n.p.	481	218,764
Adelaide	1992-93—									
	June	..	..	22,160	n.p.	n.p.	18,147	4,889	6,563	454,314
	1993-94 —									
	September	..	..	24,812	n.p.	447	18,144	n.p.	3,401	445,887
	December	..	..	17,780	n.p.	1,163	17,953	6,320	3,694	456,168
	March	..	..	17,678	720	883	17,342	6,036	3,002	435,635
	June	..	..	17,930	853	1,060	18,691	n.p.	4,447	452,327
Other South Australia	1992-93—									
	June	..	..	2,108	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	323	243,264
	1993-94 —									
	September	..	..	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	1,204	264,200
	December	..	..	n.p.	n.p.	30	n.p.	n.p.	1,245	225,891
	March	..	..	n.p.	n.p.	15	23	n.p.	248	223,558
	June	..	..	74	n.p.	n.p.	61	n.p.	47	198,692
Perth	1992-93—									
	June	17,026	373	..	..	323	1,586	n.p.	150	74,215
	1993-94 —									
	September	16,736	455	..	..	260	1,773	n.p.	312	70,854
	December	15,504	277	..	..	533	1,214	n.p.	264	59,809
	March	21,916	287	..	..	779	1,423	n.p.	342	67,871
	June	13,379	273	..	..	506	2,482	n.p.	215	62,198
Other Western Australia	1992-93—									
	June	n.p.	n.p.	..	..	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	674
	1993-94 —									
	September	n.p.	n.p.	..	..	n.p.	n.p.	—	—	1,257
	December	n.p.	n.p.	..	..	n.p.	—	—	n.p.	1,441
	March	31	n.p.	..	..	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	643
	June	36	n.p.	..	..	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	1,453
Tasmania	1992-93—									
	June	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	..	n.p.	—	74	2,194
	1993-94 —									
	September	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	..	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	1,857
	December	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	..	n.p.	—	53	1,912
	March	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	..	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	3,034
	June	443	n.p.	n.p.	—	..	4	n.p.	n.p.	3,170

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(Tonnes)

Origin	Quarter—	Destination								
		Sydney	Newcastle	Wollon- gong	Other New South Wales	Melbourne	Geelong	Other Victoria	Brisbane	Other Queens- land
Darwin	1992-93—									
	June	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	20	517	n.p.	40	1,587	n.p.
	1993-94 —									
	September	676	18	n.p.	74	359	n.p.	n.p.	1,595	392
	December	1,110	26	n.p.	169	728	n.p.	29	1,864	660
	March	742	21	n.p.	36	707	n.p.	32	1,609	1,190
	June	828	37	n.p.	52	1,013	n.p.	33	1,573	1,484
Other Northern Territory	1992-93—									
	June	205	—	—	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	26	19
	1993-94 —									
	September	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	56	n.p.
	December	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	92	n.p.
	March	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	100	n.p.	n.p.	107	n.p.
	June	182	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	157	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
Canberra	1992-93—									
	June	24,517	349	238	7,300	6,093	n.p.	727	2,325	98
	1993-94 —									
	September	29,347	539	331	34,181	4,682	12	1,274	2,161	309
	December	28,461	292	396	7,773	3,831	n.p.	1,100	1,877	371
	March	28,567	232	n.p.	6,689	5,057	31	372	1,796	303
	June	30,200	500	434	61,118	5,874	42	646	1,851	273
Total	1992-93—									
	June	980,952	32,238	26,973	327,132	1,011,129	66,715	291,461	588,055	198,851
	1993-94 —									
	September	1,004,389	46,220	20,566	361,153	985,497	76,662	274,083	580,566	229,015
	December	1,057,834	42,820	23,836	432,271	1,027,181	80,345	256,683	622,514	228,656
	March	961,325	41,174	17,266	453,787	993,457	53,896	304,831	606,912	225,966
	June	983,061	43,156	31,028	501,262	1,002,838	165,036	231,546	613,718	242,418

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(Tonnes)

Origin	Quarter—	Destination							Total	
		Adelaide	Other South Australia	Perth	Other Western Australia	Tasmania	Darwin	Other Northern Territory		Canberra
Darwin	1992-93—									
	June	3,418	34	612	n.p.	137	..	..	50	10,636
	1993-94 —									
	September	3,256	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	..	..	64	7,889
	December	3,669	n.p.	886	n.p.	n.p.	..	..	102	10,303
	March	3,832	27	766	470	107	..	..	43	9,600
June	3,777	38	867	n.p.	n.p.	..	..	57	10,453	
Other Northern Territory	1992-93—									
	June	293	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	..	..	n.p.	831
	1993-94 —									
	September	243	32	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	..	..	n.p.	1,158
	December	313	42	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	..	..	n.p.	4,095
	March	213	25	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	..	..	n.p.	1,907
June	502	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	..	..	—	10,680	
Canberra	1992-93—									
	June	1,813	27	270	n.p.	46	105	9	..	43,951
	1993-94 —									
	September	1,961	n.p.	168	n.p.	59	49	35	..	75,335
	December	1,818	n.p.	246	n.p.	44	76	n.p.	..	46,568
	March	1,836	n.p.	277	n.p.	131	68	n.p.	..	45,798
June	1,412	n.p.	236	n.p.	35	83	55	..	102,940	
Total	1992-93—									
	June	493,800	58,932	119,033	4,330	10,809	42,091	9,944	132,352	4,394,797
	1993-94 —									
	September	497,831	62,355	127,803	7,419	7,112	39,043	6,087	132,633	4,458,434
	December	493,887	73,587	115,756	7,719	8,684	40,510	9,964	136,095	4,658,342
	March	r459,905	94,837	r115,020	6,056	7,715	r36,034	10,586	r126,739	r4,515,506
June	468,714	81,375	107,275	7,337	7,753	41,562	12,669	122,429	4,663,177	

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

This publication contains statistics on interstate freight movements by road within Australia. The statistics are compiled using data collected each quarter from enterprises involved in the movement of road freight (as defined in paragraph 2).

Scope

2. The scope of the quarterly collection is those enterprises which undertake more than 20,000 tonnes of interstate road freight movements in a year either for hire or reward under prime contract arrangements or on own account. Road freight movements, in this context, refer to movements of freight for which road transport was used as the main mode. Movements of freight for which the majority of distance was by modes other than road transport are excluded from these statistics.

3. All movements between Melbourne or Geelong and Tasmania are classified as 'sea' or 'air' and therefore excluded from this publication. However, freight consigned to Tasmania, for example, by road from Sydney to Melbourne and then by sea or air to Tasmania would be classified as 'road' from Sydney to Tasmania because that segment of the journey constituted the majority of the line-haul distance. As Tasmania is treated as a single location for the purposes of this collection, the mode of transport after landing in Tasmania is not taken into account.

Coverage

4. Coverage for this collection was initially established in September quarter 1982 as those enterprises which were found, in the 1980-81 Census of Interstate Freight Movements, to meet the scope criteria. The combined activities of those enterprises at the time of the census constituted approximately 70 per cent of total interstate road freight movements during that year.

5. A coverage survey was conducted in August 1990 to update the list of enterprises included in the Interstate Road Freight Movements survey. Newly identified in-scope enterprises were included as of the September quarter 1990. A further coverage survey was conducted during 1992 resulting in an increase in coverage, as of the September quarter 1992 to over 80 per cent of total interstate road freight movements. It is planned to conduct similar coverage surveys approximately every two years.

6. Because of the high turnover in the number of interstate road freight operators, it is not possible to keep coverage of the survey up-to-date each quarter. Readers should be aware that as the time since the last coverage update increases, relative coverage of the statistics is likely to decline. Accordingly, the figures in this publication should be used with appropriate caution.

Definitions

7. The road freight data reported in this publication refer to movements made under prime contract and own account arrangements. A *prime contract* is defined as an agreement to

move freight, made with the original consignor of the freight. Freight moved on *own account* is freight owned and transported by the same legal entity. Freight moved by road under sub-contract arrangements has been excluded to avoid double counting.

8. Data in this publication are reported in gross tonnes (i.e. tonnages including the weight of the container). Furniture reported in cubic metres and freight reported in litres by respondents have been converted to approximate tonne equivalents.

9. A small number of businesses did not have records of tonnes moved by origin/destination. In these instances respondents were asked to provide estimates on the basis of experience over a typical short period.

Origins / Destinations

10. The geographical boundaries for the cities identified in this collection closely approximate those of their Statistical Divisions/Districts.

11. As from the September quarter 1992, the number of Origins and Destinations identified separately has been increased. The category previously given as "Other Interstate" has been split into "Other New South Wales", "Other Victoria", "Other Queensland", "Other South Australia", "Other Western Australia" and "Other Northern Territory".

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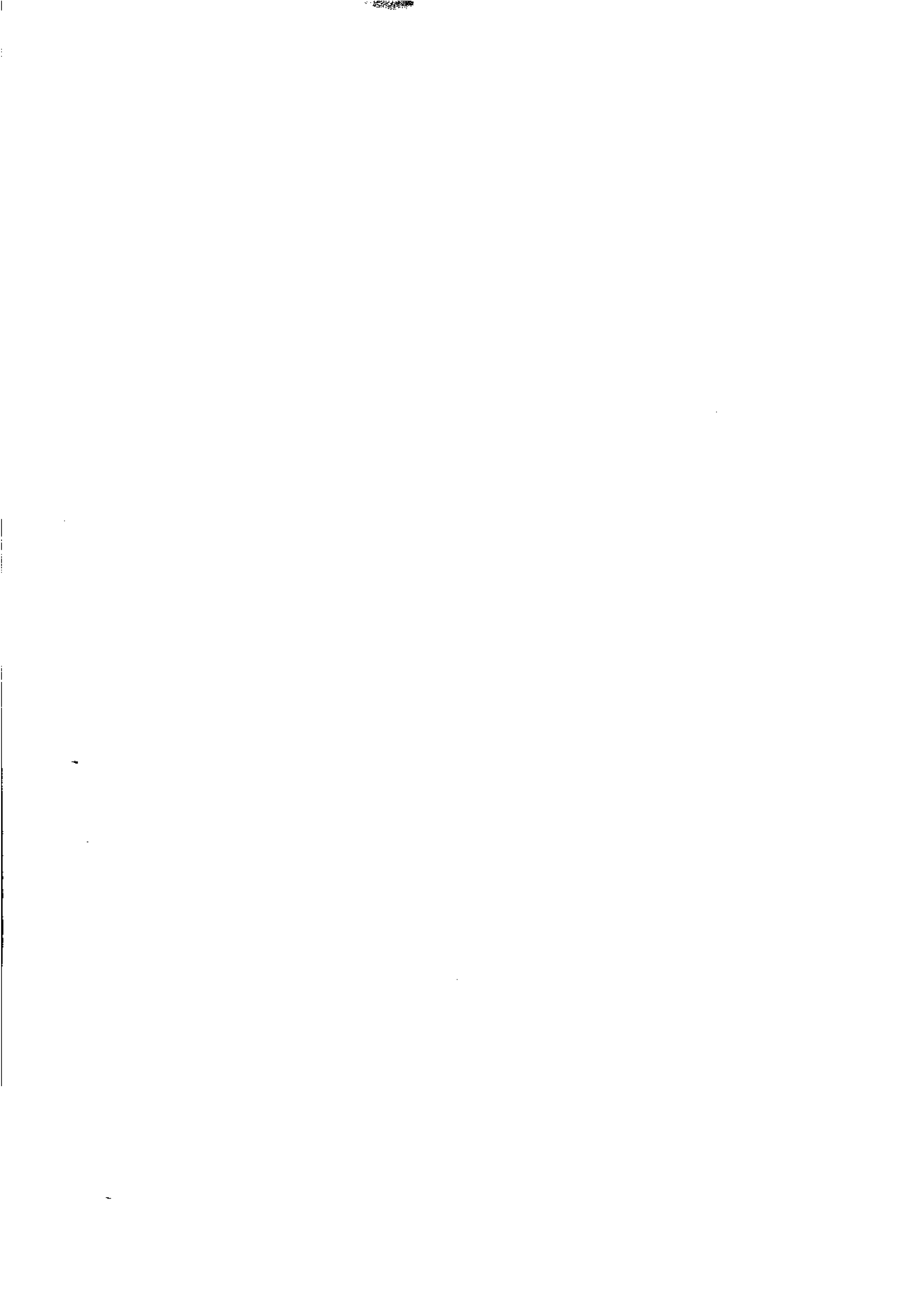
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