

NEW MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS

AUSTRALIA
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THIS MONTH'S KEY FIGURES

TREND ESTIMATES

| | Nov 94 | monthly % change | annual % change |
|---------------------------------------|--------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Total new motor vehicle registrations | 52 618 | 0.9 | 13.3 |
| Passenger vehicles | 43 760 | 1.0 | 12.7 |
| Other vehicles | 8 858 | 0.4 | 16.2 |

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

| | Nov 94 | monthly % change | annual % change |
|---------------------------------------|--------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Total new motor vehicle registrations | 51 948 | -6.1 | 7.6 |
| Passenger vehicles | 42 632 | -8.0 | 6.1 |
| Other vehicles | 9 317 | 3.1 | 15.1 |

ORIGINAL ESTIMATES

| | Nov 94 | monthly % change | annual % change |
|---------------------------------------|--------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Total new motor vehicle registrations | 55 442 | 2.0 | 10.6 |
| Passenger vehicles | 45 488 | 0.3 | 9.2 |
| Other vehicles | 9 954 | 10.7 | 17.9 |

THIS MONTH'S KEY POINTS

TREND ESTIMATES

- The trend for total new registrations has shown steady consecutive rises since August 1993 and is 14.2 per cent above the level in July 1993. The continued growth in the trend for passenger vehicles has more than offset the fall in the trend for other vehicles since June 1994.

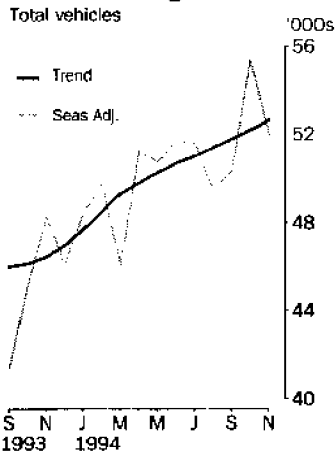
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATES

- Despite the marginal increase in other vehicle registrations the fall of 8.0 per cent in passenger vehicles led to a fall of 6.1 per cent in total new vehicle registrations for November 1994. However, the total seasonally adjusted estimate is 7.6 per cent higher than for November 1993.

ORIGINAL ESTIMATES

- Total new vehicle registrations for November 1994 rose by 2.0 per cent, exceeding November 1993 by 10.6 per cent. Passenger vehicles rose slightly while other vehicle registrations increased by 10.7 per cent from October 1994. Total registrations rose in all States and Territories except Queensland and Victoria, where falls of 7.8 and 1.5 per cent respectively, were recorded.

New vehicle registrations



INQUIRIES

- For further information about these and related statistics, contact Kevin Yeadon on 06 252 6255, or any ABS Office.

NEW MOTOR VEHICLE NOTES

FORTHCOMING ISSUES

| ISSUE | RELEASE DATE |
|---------------|------------------|
| December 1994 | 25 January 1995 |
| January 1995 | 22 February 1995 |
| February 1995 | 22 March 1995 |

CHANGES IN THIS ISSUE

This edition includes changes to the seasonally adjusted series and the trend estimate series as a result of the annual re-estimation of seasonal factors.

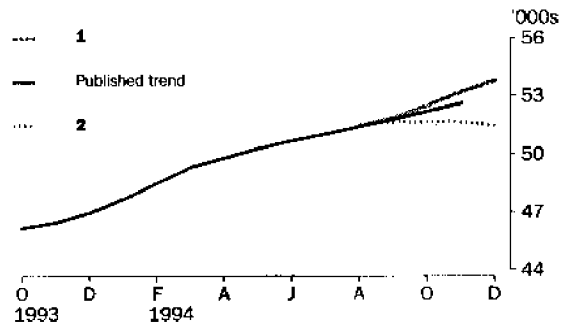
TREND REVISIONS

The most recent trend estimates are likely to be revised when new seasonally adjusted estimates become available.

The graph below presents the effect of two possible scenarios on the previous trend estimates:

- 1** The December seasonally adjusted estimate for total vehicle registrations is higher than the November seasonally adjusted estimate by 5.5%.
- 2** The December seasonally adjusted estimate for total vehicle registrations is lower than the November seasonally adjusted estimate by -5.5%.

The percentage change of 5.5% was chosen because the average absolute percentage change, based on the last 11 years, has been 5.5%.

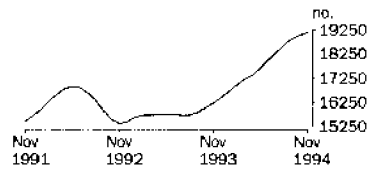


A 5.5 per cent rise in total seasonally adjusted new motor vehicle registrations in December would produce a moderate increase in the revised trend from August 1994. A similar fall in the December seasonally adjusted figure would show a flattening in the revised trend from August 1994.

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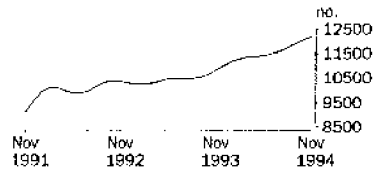
VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS BY STATE: Trend series

NEW SOUTH WALES



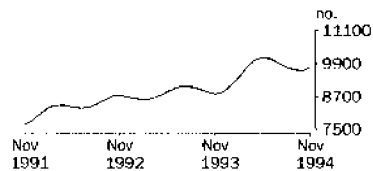
The trend estimate of registrations has been rising strongly since August 1993 and is now at the highest level since November 1985.

VICTORIA



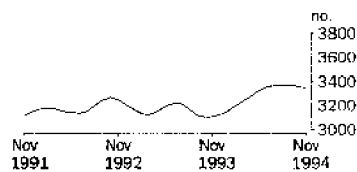
The trend series has been rising slowly since September 1993 and is now 12.5 per cent above the level in November 1993.

QUEENSLAND



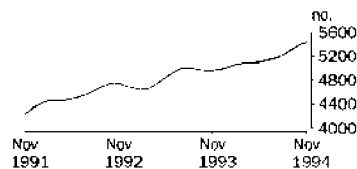
Registrations have been falling since June 1994 following a general rise in the trend series since November 1991.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA



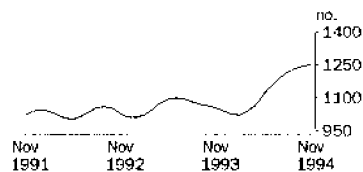
Registrations have been falling since August 1994 following moderate rises since the trough in October 1993.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA



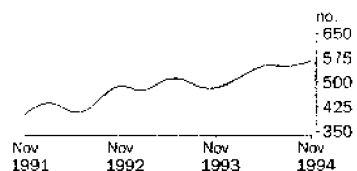
The trend in registrations has maintained moderate increases since February 1993.

TASMANIA



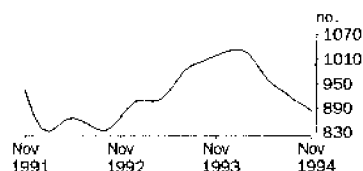
The trend in registrations has flattened over recent months after steady rises since February 1994.

NORTHERN TERRITORY



Following strong growth in early 1994 and slower growth in the most recent months, the trend is now 17.4 per cent above the level of November 1993.

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY



Registrations have fallen significantly over the last ten months and are now 14.7 per cent lower than in February 1994.



NEW MOTOR VEHICLES, Registrations By Type: All Series

| Month | <i>Passenger vehicles</i> | <i>Other vehicles</i> | Total |
|-------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------|
| ORIGINAL | | | |
| 1993 | | | |
| September | 35 681 | 6 864 | 42 545 |
| October | 37 162 | 7 524 | 44 686 |
| November | 41 662 | 8 446 | 50 108 |
| December | 40 746 | 7 791 | 48 537 |
| 1994 | | | |
| January | 30 967 | 5 695 | 36 662 |
| February | 38 859 | 7 088 | 45 947 |
| March | 43 715 | 8 971 | 52 686 |
| April | 36 003 | 8 052 | 44 055 |
| May | 43 102 | 10 096 | 53 198 |
| June | 45 240 | 12 713 | 57 953 |
| July | 42 280 | 9 649 | 51 929 |
| August | 44 684 | 8 244 | 52 928 |
| September | 42 374 | 8 064 | 50 438 |
| October | 45 354 | 8 988 | 54 342 |
| November | 45 488 | 9 954 | 55 442 |

| SEASONALLY ADJUSTED | | | |
|---------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| 1993 | | | |
| September | 34 280 | 7 033 | 41 313 |
| October | 37 574 | 7 557 | 45 131 |
| November | 40 179 | 8 094 | 48 273 |
| December | 38 197 | 7 907 | 46 104 |
| 1994 | | | |
| January | 40 726 | 7 702 | 48 428 |
| February | 41 888 | 7 865 | 49 754 |
| March | 38 218 | 7 871 | 46 089 |
| April | 41 836 | 9 410 | 51 246 |
| May | 41 591 | 9 174 | 50 765 |
| June | 41 467 | 10 183 | 51 651 |
| July | 42 172 | 9 425 | 51 597 |
| August | 41 371 | 8 096 | 49 467 |
| September | 41 898 | 8 479 | 50 377 |
| October | 46 316 | 9 035 | 55 351 |
| November | 42 632 | 9 317 | 51 948 |

| TREND ESTIMATES ¹ | | | |
|------------------------------|--------|-------|--------|
| 1993 | | | |
| September | 38 384 | 7 585 | 45 969 |
| October | 38 535 | 7 582 | 46 117 |
| November | 38 816 | 7 620 | 46 435 |
| December | 39 243 | 7 716 | 46 959 |
| 1994 | | | |
| January | 39 786 | 7 885 | 47 671 |
| February | 40 338 | 8 145 | 48 483 |
| March | 40 793 | 8 497 | 49 290 |
| April | 40 951 | 8 843 | 49 794 |
| May | 41 181 | 9 088 | 50 269 |
| June | 41 503 | 9 162 | 50 665 |
| July | 41 929 | 9 080 | 51 008 |
| August | 42 433 | 8 944 | 51 378 |
| September | 42 916 | 8 854 | 51 770 |
| October | 43 337 | 8 820 | 52 157 |
| November | 43 760 | 8 858 | 52 618 |

¹ Seasonally Adjusted and Trend estimates have been revised, following the annual reanalysis of seasonal factors.

NEW MOTOR VEHICLES, Registrations By Type: Original

| <i>Month</i> | <i>Passenger vehicles</i> | <i>Light commercial vehicles</i> | <i>Rigid trucks</i> | <i>Articulated trucks</i> | <i>Non-freight carrying trucks</i> | <i>Buses</i> | <i>Total (excludes motor cycles)</i> | <i>Motor cycles</i> |
|--------------|---------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1993 | | | | | | | | |
| September | 35 681 | 5 558 | 771 | 222 | 63 | 250 | 42 545 | 1 353 |
| October | 37 162 | 6 094 | 823 | 262 | 64 | 281 | 44 686 | 1 323 |
| November | 41 662 | 6 948 | 811 | 302 | 78 | 307 | 50 108 | 1 811 |
| December | 40 746 | 6 309 | 851 | 255 | 70 | 306 | 48 537 | 1 543 |
| 1994 | | | | | | | | |
| January | 30 967 | 4 686 | 508 | 176 | 23 | 302 | 36 662 | 1 481 |
| February | 38 859 | 5 813 | 710 | 214 | 43 | 308 | 45 947 | 1 613 |
| March | 43 715 | 7 432 | 882 | 265 | 49 | 343 | 52 686 | 1 614 |
| April | 36 003 | 6 794 | 676 | 256 | 50 | 276 | 44 055 | 1 285 |
| May | 43 102 | 8 424 | 946 | 323 | 66 | 337 | 53 198 | 1 315 |
| June | 45 240 | 10 518 | 1 221 | 428 | 104 | 442 | 57 953 | 1 420 |
| July | 42 280 | 7 776 | 1 078 | 396 | 55 | 344 | 51 929 | 1 332 |
| August | 44 684 | 6 528 | 973 | 376 | 68 | 299 | 52 928 | 1 569 |
| September | 42 374 | 6 390 | 877 | 384 | 94 | 319 | 50 438 | 1 677 |
| October | 45 354 | 7 225 | 920 | 413 | 87 | 343 | 54 342 | 1 658 |
| November | 45 488 | 7 968 | 1 057 | 449 | 113 | 367 | 55 442 | 2 017 |

NEW MOTOR VEHICLES, Registrations By State: All Series

| Month | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Northern Territory | Australian Capital Territory | Australia |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|--------------------|------------------------------|-----------|
| ORIGINAL | | | | | | | | | |
| 1993 | | | | | | | | | |
| September | 14 303 | 9 894 | 7 921 | 3 141 | 4 743 | 985 | 473 | 1 085 | 42 545 |
| October | 14 487 | 10 629 | 9 397 | 3 068 | 4 581 | 1 065 | 486 | 973 | 44 686 |
| November | 18 628 | 11 248 | 8 585 | 3 490 | 5 361 | 1 233 | 548 | 1 015 | 50 108 |
| December | 16 130 | 11 608 | 9 421 | 3 172 | 5 470 | 1 333 | 448 | 955 | 48 537 |
| 1994 | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 12 896 | 8 173 | 7 373 | 2 239 | 4 078 | 766 | 299 | 838 | 36 662 |
| February | 16 295 | 10 700 | 8 455 | 3 187 | 5 016 | 929 | 434 | 931 | 45 947 |
| March | 18 775 | 12 713 | 9 167 | 3 645 | 5 702 | 967 | 586 | 1 131 | 52 686 |
| April | 14 642 | 9 885 | 10 447 | 2 651 | 4 246 | 811 | 595 | 778 | 44 055 |
| May | 19 996 | 11 950 | 10 149 | 3 235 | 5 327 | 1 017 | 562 | 962 | 53 198 |
| June | 20 719 | 13 246 | 10 476 | 4 022 | 6 332 | 1 243 | 712 | 1 203 | 57 953 |
| July | 17 641 | 11 719 | 11 636 | 3 393 | 4 883 | 1 152 | 600 | 905 | 51 929 |
| August | 19 943 | 12 382 | 9 032 | 3 382 | 5 270 | 1 331 | 516 | 1 072 | 52 928 |
| September | 18 124 | 11 489 | 9 230 | 3 619 | 5 245 | 1 247 | 550 | 934 | 50 438 |
| October | 19 342 | 12 743 | 10 762 | 3 371 | 5 358 | 1 274 | 592 | 900 | 54 342 |
| November | 20 421 | 12 551 | 9 918 | 3 730 | 5 929 | 1 280 | 607 | 1 006 | 55 442 |
| SEASONALLY ADJUSTED | | | | | | | | | |
| 1993 | | | | | | | | | |
| September | 14 226 | 9 686 | 7 417 | 2 917 | 4 751 | 846 | 467 | 1 004 | 41 313 |
| October | 15 305 | 10 506 | 9 173 | 3 008 | 4 616 | 1 069 | 481 | 973 | 45 131 |
| November | 17 073 | 11 143 | 8 990 | 3 199 | 5 134 | 1 258 | 539 | 937 | 48 273 |
| December | 16 188 | 10 921 | 8 506 | 3 084 | 5 116 | 849 | 495 | 945 | 46 104 |
| 1994 | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 16 731 | 11 365 | 9 630 | 3 054 | 4 893 | 1 082 | 439 | 1 235 | 48 428 |
| February | 17 731 | 11 264 | 9 390 | 3 447 | 5 249 | 1 110 | 528 | 1 035 | 49 754 |
| March | 16 147 | 11 503 | 7 762 | 3 223 | 5 023 | 925 | 511 | 995 | 46 089 |
| April | 17 545 | 11 008 | 12 299 | 3 045 | 4 808 | 1 028 | 595 | 917 | 51 246 |
| May | 17 891 | 11 451 | 10 192 | 3 247 | 5 380 | 1 112 | 520 | 973 | 50 765 |
| June | 18 154 | 11 895 | 9 397 | 3 648 | 5 672 | 1 228 | 588 | 1 069 | 51 651 |
| July | 17 998 | 11 487 | 10 914 | 3 428 | 5 126 | 1 182 | 572 | 889 | 51 597 |
| August | 18 470 | 11 414 | 8 706 | 3 208 | 5 029 | 1 299 | 460 | 881 | 49 467 |
| September | 18 656 | 11 474 | 8 993 | 3 393 | 5 287 | 1 085 | 589 | 899 | 50 377 |
| October | 20 371 | 12 707 | 10 724 | 3 300 | 5 443 | 1 294 | 567 | 946 | 55 351 |
| November | 18 263 | 12 189 | 9 777 | 3 407 | 5 602 | 1 267 | 576 | 867 | 51 948 |
| TREND ESTIMATES¹ | | | | | | | | | |
| 1993 | | | | | | | | | |
| September | 15 818 | 10 506 | 8 979 | 3 124 | 4 981 | 1 071 | 487 | 1 002 | 45 969 |
| October | 15 996 | 10 635 | 8 866 | 3 099 | 4 965 | 1 064 | 482 | 1 010 | 46 117 |
| November | 16 197 | 10 823 | 8 788 | 3 105 | 4 966 | 1 055 | 483 | 1 019 | 46 435 |
| December | 16 419 | 11 004 | 8 870 | 3 124 | 4 986 | 1 039 | 490 | 1 026 | 46 959 |
| 1994 | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 16 685 | 11 164 | 9 092 | 3 151 | 5 022 | 1 026 | 500 | 1 032 | 47 671 |
| February | 16 957 | 11 289 | 9 419 | 3 192 | 5 057 | 1 021 | 514 | 1 035 | 48 483 |
| March | 17 210 | 11 371 | 9 790 | 3 239 | 5 089 | 1 036 | 529 | 1 026 | 49 290 |
| April | 17 384 | 11 392 | 10 029 | 3 282 | 5 096 | 1 065 | 542 | 1 003 | 49 794 |
| May | 17 646 | 11 421 | 10 135 | 3 324 | 5 106 | 1 110 | 551 | 975 | 50 269 |
| June | 17 972 | 11 478 | 10 071 | 3 355 | 5 131 | 1 154 | 553 | 951 | 50 665 |
| July | 18 301 | 11 576 | 9 916 | 3 369 | 5 169 | 1 188 | 551 | 937 | 51 008 |
| August | 18 613 | 11 714 | 9 760 | 3 375 | 5 227 | 1 215 | 550 | 924 | 51 378 |
| September | 18 861 | 11 874 | 9 675 | 3 369 | 5 299 | 1 231 | 553 | 909 | 51 770 |
| October | 19 039 | 12 046 | 9 634 | 3 361 | 5 379 | 1 244 | 558 | 897 | 52 157 |
| November | 19 166 | 12 181 | 9 789 | 3 343 | 5 438 | 1 251 | 567 | 883 | 52 618 |

¹ Seasonally Adjusted and Trend estimates have been revised, following the annual reanalysis of seasonal factors.



NEW PASSENGER VEHICLES, Selected Make/Models: **Original**— November 1994

| Make/Model | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Northern Territory | Australian Capital Territory | Australia |
|-------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|--------------------|------------------------------|-----------|
| Ford | | | | | | | | | |
| Falcon/Fairmont | 2 395 | 2 171 | 1 311 | 495 | 705 | 188 | 40 | 132 | 7 437 |
| Laser | 479 | 245 | 179 | 112 | 149 | 30 | 5 | 27 | 1 226 |
| Festiva | 205 | 101 | 143 | 66 | 96 | 4 | 8 | 2 | 625 |
| Other | 268 | 306 | 78 | 26 | 57 | 6 | 2 | 12 | 755 |
| Total | 3 347 | 2 823 | 1 711 | 699 | 1 007 | 228 | 55 | 173 | 10 043 |
| Holden | | | | | | | | | |
| Commodore/Calais | 2 783 | 1 777 | 1 201 | 539 | 591 | 131 | 48 | 134 | 7 204 |
| Barina | 129 | 76 | 80 | 35 | 55 | 9 | 2 | 17 | 403 |
| Apollo | 115 | 98 | 70 | 16 | 66 | 6 | 2 | 12 | 385 |
| Other | 440 | 283 | 151 | 95 | 113 | 21 | 5 | 23 | 1 131 |
| Total | 3 467 | 2 234 | 1 502 | 685 | 825 | 167 | 57 | 186 | 9 123 |
| Hyundai | | | | | | | | | |
| Excel | 529 | 366 | 254 | 86 | 306 | 37 | 34 | 37 | 1 649 |
| Sonata | 90 | 37 | 65 | 15 | 33 | 6 | 4 | 8 | 258 |
| Lantra | 107 | 26 | 16 | 7 | 65 | 9 | 4 | 5 | 239 |
| Other | 13 | 18 | 7 | 2 | 13 | .. | 2 | 2 | 57 |
| Total | 739 | 447 | 342 | 110 | 417 | 52 | 44 | 52 | 2 203 |
| Mazda | | | | | | | | | |
| 121 | 328 | 133 | 142 | 56 | 80 | 23 | 5 | 16 | 783 |
| 323 | 256 | 180 | 118 | 57 | 58 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 693 |
| 626 | 133 | 100 | 61 | 18 | 43 | 4 | 4 | 13 | 376 |
| Other | 111 | 65 | 35 | 19 | 24 | 3 | 1 | 5 | 263 |
| Total | 828 | 478 | 356 | 150 | 205 | 38 | 18 | 42 | 2 115 |
| Mitsubishi | | | | | | | | | |
| Magna | 984 | 793 | 480 | 369 | 307 | 71 | 20 | 96 | 3 120 |
| Lancer | 378 | 241 | 255 | 69 | 140 | 19 | 7 | 28 | 1 137 |
| Pajero | 202 | 126 | 137 | 27 | 60 | 9 | 5 | 7 | 573 |
| Other | 180 | 123 | 70 | 83 | 34 | 7 | 4 | 12 | 513 |
| Total | 1 744 | 1 283 | 942 | 548 | 541 | 106 | 36 | 143 | 5 343 |
| Nissan | | | | | | | | | |
| Pulsar | 219 | 95 | 84 | 36 | 33 | 16 | 1 | 14 | 498 |
| Patrol | 107 | 71 | 86 | 27 | 55 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 353 |
| Bluebird | 84 | 50 | 39 | 9 | 17 | 7 | 5 | 9 | 220 |
| Other | 119 | 141 | 73 | 23 | 30 | 6 | 1 | 13 | 406 |
| Total | 529 | 357 | 282 | 95 | 135 | 32 | 8 | 39 | 1 477 |
| Toyota | | | | | | | | | |
| Camry | 965 | 468 | 375 | 128 | 177 | 93 | 38 | 35 | 2 279 |
| Corolla | 898 | 458 | 321 | 136 | 213 | 104 | 29 | 39 | 2 198 |
| Landcruiser | 409 | 254 | 285 | 73 | 186 | 18 | 56 | 20 | 1 301 |
| Other | 1 033 | 447 | 360 | 139 | 202 | 36 | 23 | 31 | 2 271 |
| Total | 3 305 | 1 627 | 1 341 | 476 | 778 | 251 | 146 | 125 | 8 049 |

EXPLANATORY NOTES

INTRODUCTION

- 1** This publication presents monthly data for registrations of new motor vehicles.
- 2** The statistics in this publication are based on procedures using the Vehicle Identification Number (VIN), adopted by the State and Territory motor vehicle registration authorities. The VIN system allows more accurate classification of vehicles. In the case of some States, data processed using the VIN are not strictly comparable with data processed prior to December 1990.

SCOPE AND COVERAGE

- 3** Motor vehicle registration statistics are obtained from the State and Territory motor vehicle registration authorities. The statistics reflect the information recorded in registration documents. With the exception of Queensland, the statistics shown do not depart significantly from actual registrations during the period.

In the case of Queensland, a number of registrations processed in a month actually relate to vehicles registered prior to that month. Because of the lags from purchase to registration, and processing lags, the published statistics for the period can vary from actual sales of new vehicles for the same period.

- 4** The scope of the statistics:
 - includes:
 - passenger vehicles
 - light commercial vehicles
 - trucks
 - buses
 - motorcycles
 - vehicles with diplomatic and consular plates
 - State and Commonwealth owned vehicles
 - excludes:
 - vehicles belonging to the defence forces
 - recreation vehicles such as trail bikes and sand dune buggies (in those States where registration is required).

SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT

- 5** 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.
- 6** Seasonal adjustment does not remove from the series the effect of irregular or non-seasonal influences (e.g. the introduction of new models, processing delays, industrial disputes).
- 7** Irregular influences that are highly volatile can make it difficult to interpret the series even after adjustment for seasonal variation.
- 8** Seasonally adjusted series are calculated for the 'Passenger vehicles', 'Other vehicles' and 'Total vehicles' series for each State and Territory and are aggregated to obtain the total for Australia.
- 9** Seasonal adjustment factors are analysed and revised as necessary annually. This issue of this publication contains estimates based on re-estimated factors. (For further details refer to the Explanatory Notes of Cat No. 9303.0.)

TREND ESTIMATES

10 The smoothing of seasonally adjusted series to create trend estimates reduces the impact of the irregular component of the seasonally adjusted series. The trend estimates are derived by applying a 13-term Henderson-weighted moving average to the respective seasonally adjusted series. These trend series are used to analyse the underlying behaviour of the series over time.

11 While this smoothing technique enables trend estimates to be produced for the latest month, it does result in revisions to the trend estimates for the most recent months as data for subsequent months become available. Generally subsequent revisions become smaller and after three months, usually have a negligible impact on the series. Changes in the original data and re-estimation of seasonal factors may also lead to revisions to the trend. For more information, see *A Guide to Smoothing Time Series—Estimates of Trend* (1316.0) and *Time Series Decomposition—An Overview* (1317.0).

RELATED PUBLICATIONS

12 A more detailed break-up of the monthly figures presented here is available in *Motor Vehicle Registrations, Australia* (9303.0). This publication is generally available within three weeks of the issue of this publication. Data on total vehicle registrations, both new and re-registrations, is available in *Motor Vehicle Census, Australia, 30 June 1993* (9309.0).

SYMBOLS AND OTHER USAGES

n.p. not available for publication, but included in totals.

GLOSSARY

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- Articulated trucks** Vehicles constructed primarily for load carrying consisting of a prime mover having no significant load carrying area but with a turn table device which can be linked to a trailer. With or without a trailer the gross combination mass will be 3.5 tonnes or more.
- Buses** Includes all passenger vehicles having more than nine seats, including the driver.
- Light commercial vehicles** Describes goods carrying vehicles less than 3.5 tonnes gross vehicle mass. Included are utilities, panel vans, cab-chassis and forward control vehicles (whether four-wheel drive or not).
- Motor cycles** Includes 2 and 3 wheeled mopeds, scooters, motor tricycles and motor cycles with side cars.
- Non-freight carrying trucks** Includes specialist vehicles such as ambulances, mobile cranes or vehicles fitted with special purpose equipment and having no goods carrying capacity.
- Passenger vehicles** Includes cars, station wagons, four-wheel drive passenger vehicles and forward control passenger vehicles with up to nine seats (including the driver).
- Registrations** This includes all registrations processed by the motor vehicle registration authorities in the States and Territories during the relevant period.
- Rigid trucks** Vehicles constructed primarily for load carrying with a gross vehicle mass of 3.5 tonnes or more.
- VIN** The Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) uniquely identifies each vehicle. Embedded in the number are details of make and model together with other relevant information about the vehicle. The VIN is collected by the motor vehicle registration authorities at the time of registration.



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