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SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

Registrations for the month of April 1994.

The original, seasonally adjusted and trend estimates of total new motor vehicle registrations for April 1993, March and April 1994 are:

	April 1993	March 1994	April 1994	Apr. 93-Apr. 94 % change	Mar. 94-Apr.94 % change
Original	40,452	52,686	44,056	8.9	-16.4
Seasonally adjusted	45,520	45,754	51,064	12.2	11.6
Trend	45,288	49,214	49,355	9.0	0.3

REGISTRATIONS OF NEW MOTOR VEHICLES

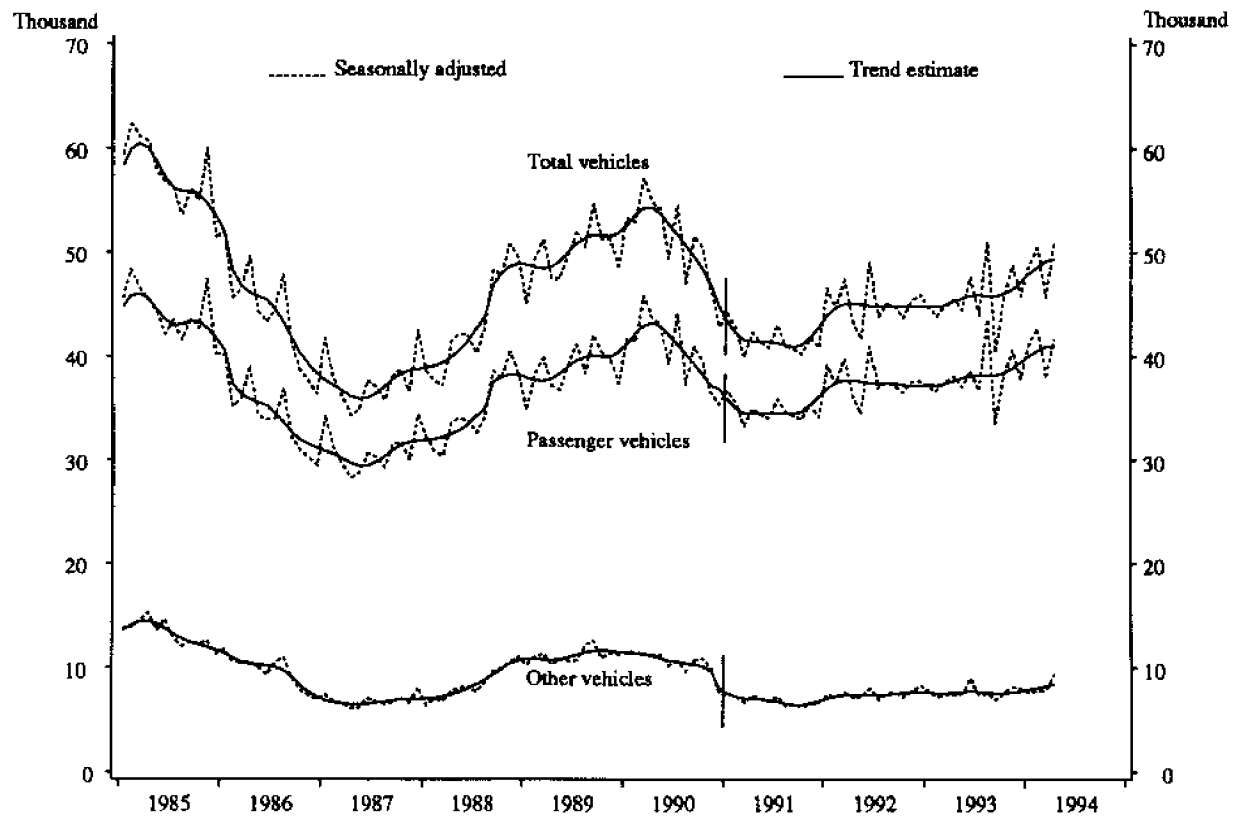
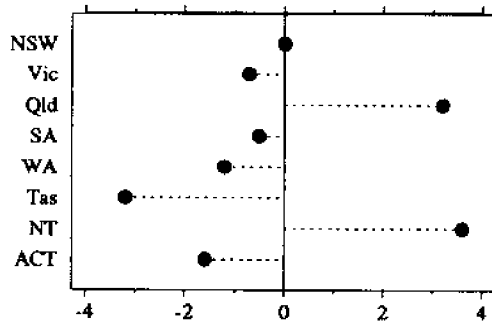


CHART 2: REGISTRATIONS OF NEW MOTOR VEHICLES BY STATE, TREND
Percentage change March - April 1994



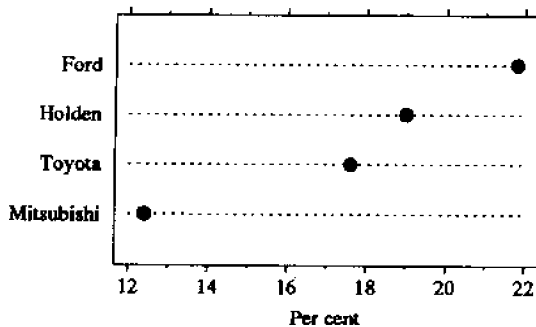
The trend for total vehicle registrations has been rising steadily since September 1993 but has flattened over recent months. The trend for passenger vehicle registrations fell slightly in April after rises in the previous seven months. Other vehicle registrations have shown steady increases since October 1993.

The trend for total registrations continued to rise in New South Wales, Queensland and the Northern Territory. Victoria and South Australia recorded falls in April following rises in the previous eight and five months, respectively. Consecutive falls have been recorded in the Australian Capital Territory since February 1994, Western Australia since January 1994 and Tasmania since July 1993.

In seasonally adjusted terms, there was an 11.6 per cent rise in total registrations over March 1993. Passenger vehicles rose by 9.9 per cent while other vehicles rose by 20.0 per cent.

While unadjusted total motor vehicle registrations fell to 44,056, their lowest since January 1994, they exceeded April 1993 by 8.9 per cent. The fall from March 1994 was 17.6 per cent for passenger vehicles and 10.3 per cent for other vehicles.

CHART 3: REGISTRATIONS OF NEW PASSENGER VEHICLES BY SELECTED MAKES
April 1994



Ford accounted for 21.8 per cent of total new passenger vehicle registrations in April, an increase of 2.0 percentage points over Ford's March figure. Holden recorded 19.0 per cent of the total (down 0.4 percentage points), while Toyota fell to 17.6 per cent (down 1.7 percentage points). Mitsubishi recorded a fall of 0.6 percentage points to 12.4 per cent of total registrations.

Holden's Commodore/Calais led the selected model figures with 5,231 registrations from Ford's Falcon/Fairmont with 5,161 registrations.

TABLE 1. NEW MOTOR VEHICLES BY TYPE OF VEHICLE,
ORIGINAL, SEASONALLY ADJUSTED AND TREND ESTIMATE, AUSTRALIA

Period	Passenger vehicles(a)			Other vehicles(b)			Total(b)		
	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Trend estimate	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Trend estimate	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Trend estimate
<i>1992-93 —</i>									
February	33,376	36,702	37,232	6,522	7,123	7,559	39,898	43,826	44,791
March	42,975	37,599	37,373	8,621	7,403	7,571	51,596	45,002	44,944
April	33,877	38,142	37,659	6,575	7,378	7,629	40,452	45,520	45,288
May	36,865	37,014	37,941	7,936	7,465	7,682	44,801	44,479	45,623
June	42,571	38,671	38,172	10,742	9,022	7,702	53,313	47,693	45,874
<i>1993-94 —</i>									
July	37,719	36,722	38,246	7,719	7,289	7,670	45,438	44,011	45,916
August	45,125	43,619	38,180	7,326	7,534	7,601	52,451	51,153	45,781
September	35,681	33,575	38,236	6,864	6,872	7,555	42,545	40,447	45,790
October	37,162	37,929	38,487	7,524	7,528	7,544	44,686	45,457	46,031
November	41,662	40,637	38,921	8,446	8,176	7,604	50,108	48,813	46,525
December	40,746	37,871	39,484	7,791	7,983	7,744	48,537	45,854	47,227
January	30,967	41,163	40,063	5,695	7,599	7,897	36,662	48,762	47,960
February	38,859	42,736	40,539	7,087	7,751	8,061	45,946	50,486	48,600
March	43,715	37,938	40,951	8,971	7,816	8,263	52,686	45,754	49,214
April	36,007	41,686	40,916	8,049	9,377	8,439	44,056	51,064	49,355

(a) See paragraph 12 of the Explanatory Notes. (b) Excludes motor cycles, plant and equipment, caravans and trailers.

TABLE 2. NEW MOTOR VEHICLES BY TYPE OF VEHICLE, AUSTRALIA

Period	Passenger vehicles(a)	Light commercial vehicles(a)	Trucks			Buses	Total (excludes motor cycles)	Motor cycles
			Rigid	Articulated	Non-freight carrying			
1990-91	440,713	72,364	20,861	2,119	1,325	4,823	542,196	19,537
1991-92	437,024	67,857	9,923	1,742	785	3,855	521,185	16,675
1992-93	449,780	74,814	9,776	2,199	707	4,230	541,506	17,513
<i>1992-93 —</i>								
February	33,376	5,392	628	113	35	354	39,898	1,604
March	42,975	7,164	827	213	57	360	51,596	1,740
April	33,877	5,286	734	194	44	317	40,452	1,483
May	36,865	6,467	819	222	55	373	44,801	1,287
June	42,571	8,879	982	293	68	520	53,313	1,326
<i>1993-94 —</i>								
July	37,719	6,275	809	206	87	342	45,438	1,250
August	45,125	5,868	802	237	99	320	52,451	1,417
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
January	30,967	4,686	508	176	23	302	36,662	1,481
February	38,859	5,813	710	213	43	308	45,946	1,613
March	43,715	7,432	882	265	49	343	52,686	1,611
April	36,007	6,791	676	256	50	276	44,056	1,285

(a) See paragraphs 11 and 12 of the Explanatory Notes.

TABLE 3. NEW MOTOR VEHICLES(a), ORIGINAL, SEASONALLY ADJUSTED AND TREND ESTIMATE

Period	NSW			Vic.			Qld		
	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Trend estimate	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Trend estimate	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Trend estimate
1992-93 —									
February	14,313	15,830	15,765	9,234	9,905	10,259	7,414	8,245	8,589
March	18,925	16,073	15,758	11,133	10,031	10,297	10,362	8,872	8,665
April	13,784	16,155	15,746	10,120	10,749	10,367	7,272	8,392	8,792
May	16,263	15,055	15,700	10,286	10,410	10,429	8,121	8,404	8,926
June	18,029	15,879	15,658	11,660	10,584	10,440	11,234	9,942	9,057
1993-94 —									
July	15,148	14,696	15,611	10,784	10,230	10,428	9,123	8,760	9,089
August	18,495	17,972	15,603	11,622	11,085	10,418	10,169	10,434	9,022
September	14,303	13,993	15,743	9,894	9,436	10,467	7,921	7,114	8,933
October	14,487	15,201	15,984	10,629	10,698	10,626	9,397	9,324	8,810
November	18,628	17,506	16,271	11,248	11,242	10,856	8,585	8,971	8,748
December	16,130	16,177	16,563	11,608	10,849	11,076	9,421	8,318	8,853
January	12,896	16,857	16,826	8,173	11,479	11,236	7,373	9,788	9,100
February	16,295	18,040	17,033	10,700	11,449	11,320	8,455	9,415	9,438
March	18,775	15,875	17,212	12,713	11,477	11,357	9,167	7,774	9,861
April	14,642	17,602	17,219	9,886	10,832	11,276	10,447	12,450	10,179
	SA			WA			Tas.		
	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Trend estimate	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Trend estimate	Original	Seasonally adjusted(b)	Trend estimate
1992-93 —									
February	2,657	2,920	3,127	4,325	4,632	4,657	757	912	1,009
March	3,419	3,041	3,128	5,053	4,537	4,672	1,076	1,036	1,028
April	2,868	3,165	3,164	4,290	4,607	4,744	924	1,119	1,058
May	3,170	3,326	3,205	4,522	4,690	4,834	989	1,091	1,082
June	3,582	3,299	3,228	6,009	5,458	4,917	1,078	1,078	1,097
1993-94 —									
July	3,187	3,164	3,221	4,624	4,617	4,972	992	1,008	1,103
August	3,549	3,347	3,169	5,595	5,438	4,977	1,300	1,365	1,098
September	3,141	2,907	3,108	4,743	4,699	4,962	985	823	1,089
October	3,068	3,009	3,080	4,581	4,608	4,965	1,065	1,117	1,080
November	3,490	3,214	3,093	5,361	5,195	4,995	1,233	1,249	1,068
December	3,172	3,046	3,132	5,470	5,196	5,042	1,333	855	1,053
January	2,239	3,031	3,170	4,078	4,861	5,064	766	1,083	1,036
February	3,186	3,507	3,193	5,016	5,370	5,054	929	1,122	1,019
March	3,645	3,221	3,204	5,702	5,002	5,024	967	900	1,006
April	2,651	2,990	3,188	4,246	4,678	4,966	811	992	974
	NT			ACT			Australia		
	Original	Seasonally adjusted(b)	Trend estimate	Original	Seasonally adjusted(b)	Trend estimate	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Trend estimate
1992-93 —									
February	367	443	475	831	940	909	39,898	43,826	44,791
March	571	477	485	1,057	936	910	51,596	45,002	44,944
April	486	511	501	708	822	917	40,452	45,520	45,288
May	546	528	512	904	976	935	44,801	44,479	45,623
June	699	554	514	1,022	899	963	53,313	47,693	45,874
1993-94 —									
July	555	528	507	1,025	1,008	985	45,438	44,011	45,916
August	462	429	497	1,259	1,082	996	52,451	51,153	45,781
September	473	467	488	1,085	1,008	999	42,545	40,447	45,790
October	486	493	482	973	1,008	1,004	44,686	45,457	46,031
November	548	546	481	1,015	889	1,011	50,108	48,813	46,525
December	448	487	488	955	927	1,021	48,537	45,854	47,227
January	299	421	498	838	1,242	1,030	36,662	48,762	47,960
February	434	528	512	931	1,056	1,031	45,946	50,486	48,600
March	586	504	529	1,131	1,000	1,021	52,686	45,754	49,214
April	595	621	548	778	899	1,005	44,056	51,064	49,355

(a) Excludes motor cycles, plant and equipment, caravans and trailers. (b) See paragraph 18 of the Explanatory Notes.

TABLE 4. REGISTRATIONS OF NEW MOTOR VEHICLES BY TYPE OF VEHICLE, APRIL 1994

Type of vehicle	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Australia	Capital cities (a)
Passenger vehicles	12,375	8,348	8,034	2,219	3,320	594	452	665	36,007	25,121
Light commercial vehicles	1,860	1,272	2,107	382	772	192	107	99	6,791	3,506
Trucks —										
Rigid	238	136	176	23	80	15	4	4	676	448
Articulated	84	71	61	8	24	3	4	1	256	122
Non-freight carrying	11	14	8	11	4	1	—	1	50	37
Buses	74	45	61	8	46	6	28	8	276	166
Total (excl. motor cycles)	14,642	9,886	10,447	2,651	4,246	811	595	778	44,056	29,400
Capital cities(a)	10,165	7,420	5,335	2,073	3,224	405	..	778	29,400	29,400
Other areas	4,477	2,466	5,112	578	1,022	406	595	..	14,656	..
Motor cycles	351	337	287	65	177	29	26	13	1,285	648

(a) See paragraph 23 of the Explanatory Notes.

TABLE 5. REGISTRATIONS OF NEW PLANT AND EQUIPMENT, CARAVANS AND TRAILERS, APRIL 1994

Type of vehicle	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Australia	Capital cities (a)
Plant and equipment(b)	68	62	94	12	91	12	—	1	340	162
Caravans(c)	101	127	84	88	74	3	—	4	481	276
Trailers	1,111	926	1,298	482	652	121	76	42	4,708	2,393
Total	1,280	1,115	1,476	582	817	136	76	47	5,529	2,831

(a) See paragraph 23 of the Explanatory Notes. (b) See paragraph 8 of the Explanatory Notes. (c) Excludes self-propelled caravans.

TABLE 6. REGISTRATIONS OF NEW MOTOR VEHICLES BY TYPE OF VEHICLE, TEN MONTHS ENDED APRIL 1994

Type of vehicle	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Australia	Capital cities (a)
Passenger vehicles	136,868	92,527	70,701	26,938	39,871	8,430	3,316	8,992	387,643	280,036
Light commercial vehicles	18,616	11,757	16,150	3,710	7,851	1,657	1,189	844	61,774	31,688
Trucks —										
Rigid	2,593	1,646	1,936	286	872	132	97	81	7,643	5,086
Articulated	657	722	538	179	185	63	34	16	2,394	1,036
Non-freight carrying	242	103	101	78	55	29	14	4	626	451
Buses	823	502	632	137	582	70	236	53	3,035	1,706
Total (excl. motor cycles)										
— 10 months ended April										
1994	159,799	107,257	90,058	31,328	49,416	10,381	4,886	9,990	463,115	320,003
1993	154,354	101,944	85,047	31,719	46,588	10,541	4,566	8,633	443,392	306,650
Capital cities(a)	112,038	82,104	47,120	24,915	38,702	5,135	..	9,990	320,003	320,003
Other areas	47,761	25,153	42,938	6,413	10,714	5,246	4,886	..	143,112	..
Motor cycles										
— 10 months ended April										
1994	4,252	3,721	2,932	1,174	1,832	358	261	157	14,687	8,147
1993	3,809	3,857	3,238	1,289	1,908	313	274	212	14,900	7,882

(a) See paragraph 23 of the Explanatory Notes.

TABLE 7. REGISTRATION OF NEW PASSENGER VEHICLES BY MAKE OF VEHICLE, AUSTRALIA

<i>Make</i>	<i>Feb. 1994</i>	<i>Mar. 1994</i>	<i>Apr. 1994</i>	<i>Apr. 1993</i>
Alfa Romeo	—	—	—	2
Asia	17	19	3	17
Audi	144	174	104	53
Bentley	1	—	2	—
B.M.W.	542	667	651	396
Chevrolet	—	—	—	2
Citroen	1	4	—	4
Daewoo	—	—	3	—
Daihatsu	1,049	1,270	1,156	1,063
Eunos	116	189	142	136
Ferrari	5	—	1	—
Ford	8,752	8,635	7,848	7,987
Holden	7,453	8,476	6,851	6,000
Honda	1,357	1,422	1,294	998
Hyundai	2,009	1,789	1,628	1,089
Jaguar	27	25	25	14
Jeep	—	5	34	—
Lada	37	41	40	10
Land Rover	297	263	189	192
Lexus	51	69	63	64
Lotus	1	1	—	—
Maserati	1	1	3	1
Mazda	1,817	1,646	1,426	1,407
Mercedes-Benz	211	273	328	277
Mitsubishi	5,098	5,667	4,479	4,711
Nissan	1,793	1,987	1,381	1,494
Peugeot	187	185	121	47
Porsche	9	16	33	8
Range Rover	44	74	25	56
Renault	53	53	38	12
Rolls Royce	—	2	—	—
Saab	143	388	311	214
Subaru	597	951	671	703
Suzuki	611	643	554	707
Toyota	6,116	8,433	6,335	5,973
Volkswagen	25	46	23	1
Volvo	234	239	208	189
Other and unknown	61	62	37	50
Total	38,859	43,715	36,007	33,877

TABLE 8. REGISTRATIONS OF NEW LIGHT COMMERCIAL VEHICLES, TRUCKS, AND BUSES BY MAKE OF VEHICLE, AUSTRALIA

	Feb. 1994	Mar. 1994	Apr. 1994					
Make	Total	Total	Light commercial vehicles	Trucks			Buses	Total
				Rigid	Articulated	Non-freight carrying		
Asia	1	—	4	—	—	—	1	5
Chevrolet	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Daihatsu	64	61	23	36	—	—	—	59
Denning	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ford	1,182	1,320	1,466	61	33	15	—	1,575
Freight Liner	13	17	—	—	12	—	—	12
Hino	79	110	—	53	1	4	12	70
Holden	854	1,108	1,005	—	—	2	—	1,007
Hyundai	51	52	45	—	—	—	—	45
International	70	122	—	70	42	2	—	114
Isuzu	196	226	—	151	—	9	3	163
Kenworth	51	65	—	4	52	—	—	56
Land Rover	32	32	21	—	—	—	—	21
Mack	49	38	—	2	35	—	—	37
Man	11	8	—	—	—	—	7	7
Mazda	676	731	519	47	—	2	9	577
MCA	1	2	—	—	—	—	1	1
Mercedes-Benz	36	36	—	12	12	1	20	45
Mitsubishi	844	875	651	135	1	6	—	793
Nissan	496	634	456	—	—	—	6	462
Nissan UD	27	43	—	25	—	1	—	26
Oka	5	6	—	1	—	—	3	4
Renault	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	6
Scania	14	27	—	—	16	—	8	24
Subaru	20	11	1	—	—	—	—	1
Suzuki	32	45	18	—	—	—	—	18
Toyota	2,151	3,257	2,527	68	—	8	198	2,801
Volkswagen	50	67	52	—	—	—	—	52
Volvo	48	40	—	10	27	—	2	39
Western Star	23	33	—	—	25	—	—	25
Other and unknown	10	5	3	1	—	—	—	4
Total	7,088	8,971	6,791	676	256	50	276	8,049

TABLE 9. REGISTRATIONS OF NEW PASSENGER VEHICLES BY MAKE OF VEHICLE,
APRIL 1994

<i>Make</i>	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>Australia</i>	<i>Capital cities (a)</i>
Asia	1	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	3	1
Audi	53	27	11	4	4	1	—	4	104	94
Bentley	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2
B.M.W.	253	209	122	18	24	11	1	13	651	536
Daewoo	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	3
Daihatsu	530	136	305	53	97	10	11	14	1,156	726
Eunos	65	20	36	5	9	1	—	6	142	126
Ferrari	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
Ford	2,566	2,159	1,529	554	750	86	65	139	7,848	5,276
Holden	2,034	1,654	1,627	518	692	123	67	136	6,851	4,978
Honda	440	375	251	61	113	23	10	21	1,294	986
Hyundai	494	332	390	70	247	42	29	24	1,628	944
Jaguar	7	5	7	3	1	2	—	—	25	15
Jeep	2	1	4	3	—	—	24	—	34	5
Lada	7	9	5	—	19	—	—	—	40	26
Land Rover	79	42	43	10	5	4	1	5	189	113
Lexus	38	9	10	—	4	1	—	1	63	55
Maserati	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	3	2
Mazda	535	313	280	80	135	17	15	51	1,426	1,088
Mercedes-Benz	128	98	53	19	22	3	—	5	328	260
Mitsubishi	1,543	1,018	965	352	394	88	35	84	4,479	3,184
Nissan	490	295	365	68	115	18	9	21	1,381	941
Peugeot	56	30	15	8	6	2	1	3	121	68
Porsche	8	17	2	2	3	—	—	1	33	32
Range Rover	11	5	5	1	3	—	—	—	25	23
Renault	18	6	9	3	1	—	1	—	38	29
Saab	135	107	28	7	21	2	3	8	311	257
Subaru	280	121	139	39	58	18	5	11	671	450
Suzuki	218	66	134	18	77	6	27	8	554	356
Toyota	2,283	1,211	1,644	311	502	132	147	105	6,335	4,348
Volkswagen	9	9	2	1	1	1	—	—	23	19
Volvo	85	39	49	10	17	2	1	5	208	144
Other and unknown	2	34	—	—	—	1	—	—	37	33
Total	12,375	8,348	8,034	2,219	3,320	594	452	665	36,007	25,121

(a) See paragraph 23 of the Explanatory Notes.

TABLE 10. REGISTRATIONS OF PASSENGER VEHICLES BY SELECTED
MAKE AND MODEL OF VEHICLE,
APRIL 1994

<i>Make/Model</i>	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>Australia</i>
Ford									
Falcon/Fairmont	1,576	1,569	1,026	340	478	47	42	83	5,161
Laser	449	261	198	82	111	20	9	30	1,160
Festiva	337	110	172	92	114	9	2	14	850
Other	204	219	133	40	47	10	12	12	677
Total	2,566	2,159	1,529	554	750	86	65	139	7,848
Holden									
Commodore/Calais	1,589	1,259	1,283	376	463	96	62	103	5,231
Barina	152	143	155	48	99	16	2	14	629
Apollo	107	76	71	35	67	2	1	8	367
Other	186	176	118	59	63	9	2	11	624
Total	2,034	1,654	1,627	518	692	123	67	136	6,851
Hyundai									
Excel	253	248	311	46	161	28	19	10	1,076
Lantra	121	36	24	8	48	9	6	9	261
Sonata	97	33	47	13	35	2	3	1	231
Other	23	15	8	3	3	3	1	4	60
Total	494	332	390	70	247	42	29	24	1,628
Mazda									
121	202	82	107	37	38	8	5	23	502
626	153	116	99	19	49	4	2	16	458
323	124	78	50	17	35	4	6	11	325
Other	56	37	24	7	13	1	2	1	141
Total	535	313	280	80	135	17	15	51	1,426
Mitsubishi									
Magna	858	683	526	209	215	55	18	42	2,606
Lancer	247	159	181	55	83	18	4	22	769
Pajero	240	80	174	32	55	7	7	8	603
Other	198	96	84	56	41	8	6	12	501
Total	1,543	1,018	965	352	394	88	35	84	4,479
Nissan									
Pulsar	213	95	133	24	32	7	3	9	516
Patrol	96	68	98	20	51	4	3	3	343
Bluebird	120	78	80	17	19	4	3	5	326
Other	61	54	54	7	13	3	0	4	196
Total	490	295	365	68	115	18	9	21	1,381
Toyota									
Camry	786	395	527	87	151	57	52	23	2,078
Corolla	563	240	334	89	107	42	27	46	1,448
Landeruise	272	231	310	66	108	7	41	14	1,049
Other	662	345	473	69	136	26	27	22	1,760
Total	2,283	1,211	1,644	311	502	132	147	105	6,335

TABLE 11. REGISTRATIONS OF NEW LIGHT COMMERCIAL VEHICLES BY MAKE OF VEHICLE, APRIL 1994

<i>Make</i>	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>Australia</i>	<i>Capital cities (a)</i>
Asia	2	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	4	2
Daihatsu	9	2	8	2	1	1	—	—	23	11
Ford	441	356	290	122	174	47	15	21	1,466	835
Holden	288	193	304	53	127	13	13	14	1,005	523
Hyundai	17	12	11	—	5	—	—	—	45	35
Land Rover	5	1	7	1	3	1	3	—	21	4
Mazda	104	123	155	19	92	9	9	8	519	288
Mitsubishi	188	103	194	53	60	37	9	7	651	347
Nissan	125	71	164	25	49	16	2	4	456	159
Subaru	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
Suzuki	1	6	4	3	4	—	—	—	18	1
Toyota	645	397	963	102	252	68	56	44	2,527	1,251
Volkswagen	35	7	4	1	4	—	—	1	52	48
Other and unknown	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	3	1
Total	1,860	1,272	2,107	382	772	192	107	99	6,791	3,506

(a) See paragraph 23 of the Explanatory Notes.

TABLE 12. REGISTRATIONS OF NEW LIGHT COMMERCIAL VEHICLES BY TARE WEIGHT AND MAKE OF VEHICLE, AUSTRALIA, APRIL 1994

Make	Tare weight (kg)						Total
	900 and under	901 to 1100	1101 to 1300	1301 to 1500	Over 1500	Not stated	
Asia	—	—	4	—	—	—	4
Daihatsu	21	—	—	1	—	1	23
Ford	15	13	297	933	147	61	1,466
Holden	16	5	217	502	240	25	1,005
Hyundai	2	43	—	—	—	—	45
Land Rover	—	—	—	—	17	4	21
Mazda	6	9	110	240	138	16	519
Mitsubishi	9	30	348	116	102	46	651
Nissan	4	1	47	153	233	18	456
Subaru	—	1	—	—	—	—	1
Suzuki	12	5	—	1	—	—	18
Toyota	58	117	679	548	995	130	2,527
Volkswagen	1	—	—	39	12	—	52
Other and unknown	—	—	—	2	1	—	3
Total	144	224	1,702	2,535	1,885	301	6,791

TABLE 13. REGISTRATIONS OF NEW RIGID TRUCKS BY MAKE OF VEHICLE, APRIL 1994

<i>Make</i>	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>Australia</i>	<i>Capital cities (a)</i>
Daihatsu	23	—	8	2	3	—	—	—	36	20
Ford	22	6	24	2	5	2	—	—	61	39
Hino	26	6	13	2	5	—	1	—	53	37
International	22	13	22	2	10	—	—	1	70	39
Isuzu	40	47	31	5	22	5	—	1	151	112
Kenworth	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	4
Mack	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	2	1
Mazda	12	15	10	4	4	1	—	1	47	36
Mercedes-Benz	1	3	4	2	1	1	—	—	12	7
Mitsubishi	59	23	27	3	15	6	2	—	135	91
Nissan UD	11	7	4	—	3	—	—	—	25	13
Oka	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	1
Toyota	19	11	26	1	9	—	1	1	68	38
Volvo	1	2	6	—	1	—	—	—	10	9
Other and unknown	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	1
Total	238	136	176	23	80	15	4	4	676	448

(a) See paragraph 23 of the Explanatory Notes.

TABLE 14. REGISTRATIONS OF NEW RIGID TRUCKS BY GROSS VEHICLE MASS AND MAKE OF VEHICLE, AUSTRALIA, APRIL 1994

Make	Gross vehicle mass (tonnes)							Total
	4 and under	Over 4 to 8	Over 8 to 12	Over 12 to 16	Over 16 to 20	Over 20	Not stated	
Daihatsu	6	22	—	—	—	—	8	36
Ford	1	41	3	1	—	11	4	61
Hino	—	—	25	19	2	5	2	53
International	—	—	—	17	9	41	3	70
Isuzu	—	49	29	40	19	10	4	151
Kenworth	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	4
Mack	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	2
Mazda	—	32	7	8	—	—	—	47
Mercedes-Benz	—	—	2	5	—	4	1	12
Mitsubishi	—	54	35	23	8	14	1	135
Nissan UD	—	—	12	8	—	2	3	25
Oka	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1
Toyota	12	45	9	—	—	—	2	68
Volvo	—	—	—	3	—	3	4	10
Other and unknown	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1
Total	19	244	122	124	38	96	33	676

TABLE 15. REGISTRATIONS OF NEW ARTICULATED TRUCKS BY MAKE OF VEHICLE, APRIL 1994

Make	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Australia	Capital cities (a)
Ford	15	11	5	—	1	—	1	—	33	12
Freight Liner	8	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	12	10
Hino	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	1
International	10	22	7	1	1	1	—	—	42	18
Kenworth	7	17	15	5	7	—	1	—	52	18
Mack	20	3	7	1	3	—	1	—	35	26
Mercedes-Benz	5	3	2	—	2	—	—	—	12	9
Mitsubishi	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
Scania	2	6	5	—	3	—	—	—	16	8
Volvo	7	2	12	—	5	1	—	—	27	13
Western Star	10	4	6	1	1	1	1	1	25	7
Total	84	71	61	8	24	3	4	1	256	122

(a) See paragraph 23 of the Explanatory Notes.

TABLE 16. REGISTRATIONS OF NEW ARTICULATED TRUCKS BY GROSS COMBINATION MASS AND MAKE OF VEHICLE, AUSTRALIA, APRIL 1994

	Gross combination mass (tonnes)						
Make	24 and under	Over 24 to 30	Over 30 to 34	Over 34 to 40	Over 40	Not stated	Total
Ford	—	—	—	—	18	15	33
Freight Liner	—	—	—	—	6	6	12
Hino	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
International	—	1	—	3	18	20	42
Kenworth	—	1	—	—	32	19	52
Mack	—	—	—	—	12	23	35
Mercedes-Benz	—	—	—	—	6	6	12
Mitsubishi	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
Scania	—	1	—	1	8	6	16
Volvo	—	1	—	1	14	11	27
Western Star	—	—	—	—	20	5	25
Total	—	4	—	5	134	113	256

TABLE 17. REGISTRATIONS OF NEW NON-FREIGHT CARRYING TRUCKS BY MAKE OF VEHICLE, APRIL 1994

<i>Make</i>	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>Australia</i>	<i>Capital cities (a)</i>
Ford	3	6	2	3	1	—	—	—	15	14
Hino	—	—	1	3	—	—	—	—	4	3
Holden	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	2	1
International	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	2	1
Isuzu	2	2	—	5	—	—	—	—	9	8
Mazda	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	1
Mercedes-Benz	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
Mitsubishi	3	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	6	1
Nissan UD	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
Toyota	2	1	1	—	3	1	—	—	8	6
Total	11	14	8	11	4	1	—	1	50	37

(a) See paragraph 23 of the Explanatory Notes.

TABLE 18. REGISTRATIONS OF NEW BUSES BY MAKE OF VEHICLE, APRIL 1994

<i>Make</i>	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>Australia</i>	<i>Capital cities (a)</i>
Asia	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
Hino	9	1	1	—	—	—	1	—	12	7
Isuzu	1	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	3	—
Man	—	3	1	3	—	—	—	—	7	5
Mazda	3	5	—	—	1	—	—	—	9	5
MCA	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
Mercedes-Benz	11	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	20	8
Nissan	4	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	6	5
Oka	—	—	—	—	2	—	1	—	3	1
Renault	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	6	6
Scania	1	3	—	—	—	4	—	—	8	7
Toyota	44	22	57	5	40	2	26	2	198	120
Volvo	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1
Total	74	45	61	8	46	6	28	8	276	166

(a) See paragraph 23 of the Explanatory Notes.

TABLE 19. REGISTRATIONS OF NEW BUSES BY TARE WEIGHT AND MAKE OF VEHICLE, AUSTRALIA, APRIL 1994

<i>Make</i>	<i>Tare weight (kg)</i>					<i>Total</i>
	<i>1500 and under</i>	<i>1501 to 5000</i>	<i>5001 to 10000</i>	<i>Over 10000</i>	<i>Not stated</i>	
Asia	—	1	—	—	—	1
Hino	—	—	10	1	1	12
Isuzu	—	1	2	—	—	3
Man	—	—	—	7	—	7
Mazda	—	9	—	—	—	9
MCA	—	—	—	1	—	1
Mercedes-Benz	—	—	14	6	—	20
Nissan	—	6	—	—	—	6
Oka	—	2	—	—	1	3
Renault	—	—	—	—	6	6
Scania	—	—	2	3	3	8
Toyota	3	189	—	—	6	198
Volvo	—	—	—	2	—	2
Total	3	208	28	20	17	276

TABLE 20. REGISTRATIONS OF NEW MOTOR CYCLES BY MAKE OF VEHICLE, APRIL 1994

<i>Make</i>	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>Australia</i>	<i>Capital cities (a)</i>
B.M.W.	17	14	5	5	7	2	—	2	52	39
Cagiva	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	2	1
Ducati	3	4	3	2	9	1	1	—	23	15
Harley-Davidson	62	41	36	11	42	4	4	3	203	95
Honda	96	83	91	17	73	8	8	4	380	218
Husqvarna	5	5	2	1	—	—	—	—	13	7
Kawasaki	57	65	36	5	18	6	6	1	194	84
K.T.M.	2	5	—	1	1	—	—	—	9	5
Moto Guzzi	—	—	3	1	1	—	—	—	5	3
Suzuki	44	37	26	8	8	3	2	2	130	66
Triumph	11	9	6	3	2	3	2	—	36	20
Vespa	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
Yamaha	52	73	77	11	16	2	3	1	235	93
Other and unknown	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	2	1
Total	351	337	287	65	177	29	26	13	1,285	648

(a) See paragraph 23 of the Explanatory Notes.

TABLE 21. REGISTRATIONS OF NEW MOTOR VEHICLES BY FUEL TYPE AND TYPE OF VEHICLE, AUSTRALIA, APRIL 1994

<i>Type of Vehicle</i>	<i>Fuel type</i>				<i>Total</i>
	<i>Petrol</i>	<i>Diesel</i>	<i>Gas</i>	<i>Other (incl. dual fuel)</i>	
Passenger vehicles	35,129	794	20	64	36,007
Light commercial vehicles	4,848	1,892	8	43	6,791
Trucks —					
Rigid	31	644	—	1	676
Articulated	4	246	—	6	256
Non-freight carrying	22	28	—	—	50
Buses	54	217	4	1	276
Total (excl. motor cycles)	40,088	3,821	32	115	44,056
Motor Cycles	1,285	—	—	—	1,285

TABLE 22. NUMBER OF VEHICLES ON REGISTER, BY TYPE OF VEHICLE, 30 JUNE 1993 ('000)

<i>Type of Vehicle</i>	<i>NSW(a)</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>Australia (a)</i>
Passenger Vehicles	2,483.3	2,206.6	1,393.6	731.9	803.7	231.8	52.2	146.8	8,050.0
Light Commercial Vehicles	538.2	324.9	348.0	95.5	153.3	48.3	23.6	16.9	1,548.7
Trucks —									
Rigid	107.7	74.2	55.2	34.4	91.1	(d)21.3	2.3	2.3	(d)388.5
Articulated	14.1	14.6	10.7	4.7	5.8	(d)	0.9	0.3	(d)51.0
Non-freight carrying	8.4	11.7	8.8	7.1	9.3	0.7	0.1	0.8	46.8
Buses	10.1	15.9	11.5	3.4	9.9	2.1	0.7	1.3	54.9
Total motor vehicles(b)	3,161.8	2,648.0	1,827.6	876.9	1,073.1	304.1	79.9	168.3	10,139.8
Motor cycles	73.2	70.4	67.3	27.7	37.9	6.6	3.8	4.8	291.7
Plant and equipment(c)	25.6	74.0	34.0	9.7	31.2	4.1	1.5	1.2	181.2
Caravans	55.3	96.3	39.6	33.7	36.1	5.3	0.7	1.4	268.4
Trailers	485.6	330.0	350.3	185.1	207.5	57.5	15.2	20.9	1,652.1
Total other vehicles	639.6	570.8	491.2	256.2	312.7	73.4	21.2	28.2	2,393.4

(a) NSW data is as at 16 May 1993. (b) Excludes motor cycles, plant and equipment, caravans and trailers. (c) See paragraph 8 of the Explanatory Notes. (d) Articulated trucks for Tasmania are included with rigid trucks.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

This publication contains detailed information regarding registrations of new motor vehicles and includes particulars of passenger vehicles by make and selected models; light commercial vehicles and buses classified by make and tare; rigid and articulated trucks by make and gross vehicle mass/gross combination mass; and non-freight carrying trucks and motor cycles by make. Also included are registrations of new plant and equipment, caravans and trailers; registrations of new motor vehicles (including motor cycles) classified by fuel type; and particulars of motor vehicles on register. The ABS publishes preliminary figures on new motor vehicle registrations each month in *Registrations of New Motor Vehicles, Australia, Preliminary* (9301.0). (See Paragraph 24 — Related publications).

2. The statistics in this publication are based, from December 1990 onwards, on new processing procedures using the new Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) adopted by the motor vehicle registration authorities. The VIN system allows more accurate classification of vehicles. As a result, data processed on this system are not strictly comparable with those processed on the old system, for some States.

Scope and coverage

3. Motor vehicle registration statistics are obtained from data made available by the various State and Territory motor vehicle registration authorities and reflect the information as recorded in registration documents.

4. In these statistics *registrations* mean registrations processed by the motor vehicle registration authorities in the States and Territories during the period. In New South Wales, Victoria, South Australia, Western Australia, Tasmania, Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory the figures shown depart little from actual registrations during the period. In Queensland, advice of some registrations is often not received by the central motor vehicle registration authority until some time after the actual date of registration. For this reason a considerable number of registrations processed in a month actually relate to vehicles registered prior to that month.

5. The amount of data that can be published, particularly at the Australian level, is restricted to what is available from all motor vehicle registration authorities. For example, details of cubic capacity are not recorded in all States and, consequently, classification of vehicles according to engine size is not possible.

6. The statistics include vehicles with diplomatic and consular plates and State and Commonwealth Government owned vehicles other than those belonging to the defence services.

7. Recreation vehicles such as trail bikes and sand dune buggies intended for use in public places are required to be registered in Victoria and Queensland. Particulars of these registrations are regarded as outside the scope of new motor vehicle registration statistics.

8. Vehicles such as tractors (particularly the agricultural types), plant and equipment, and motor vehicles used solely on farms, in mines or in National Parks, etc., and not used on public roads are not required to be registered and these are also excluded from the statistics. Tractors required to be registered are included with plant and equipment.

Vehicle Identification Number

9. The Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) uniquely identifies each vehicle. Embedded within this number are details of make and model together with other relevant information concerning the vehicle. The VIN is now collected by the various motor vehicle registration authorities at the time each new vehicle is registered. The VIN is passed on to the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) as part of the New Motor Vehicles Registrations record.

Vehicle Classification

10. The decoding of the VIN has resulted in better identification of each vehicle's bodycode and consequently classification of vehicles to particular categories. Vehicles such as minibuses which, in the old system, had been classified to cars and station wagons in some States but to buses in other States, are now consistently classified. Similarly, in the old system utilities and cab-chassis, which were sometimes classified to small trucks, are now consistently classified to light commercial vehicles. In addition, duplicate records, out of scope vehicles and those vehicles not registered for the first time can now be more accurately identified and therefore excluded from the statistics.

Vehicle Type Definitions

11. *Passenger Vehicles.* Vehicles constructed primarily for the carriage of less than 10 passengers (including the driver). Included are cars, station wagons, 4WD passenger vehicles and forward control passenger vehicles.

12. *Light Commercial Vehicles.* Vehicles constructed primarily for the carriage of goods and weighing less than 3.5 tonnes gross vehicle mass (GVM). Included are utilities, panel vans, cab-chassis and forward control vehicles (whether 4WD or not).

13. *Rigid Trucks.* Vehicles constructed primarily for load carrying with a gross vehicle mass (GVM) of 3.5 tonnes or more. Included are normal rigid trucks with a tow bar, draw bar or other non-articulated coupling on the rear for use with a trailer or dolly.

14. *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 (GCM) will be 3.5 tonnes or more.

15. *Non-freight Carrying Trucks.* Includes specialist vehicles such as ambulances or mobile cranes or vehicles fitted with special purpose equipment and having no goods carrying capacity.

16. *Omnibuses.* Includes all passenger vehicles having more than nine seats, including the driver.

Seasonal adjustment

17. Original and seasonally adjusted registrations of new motor vehicles are shown in Tables 1 and 3. Seasonally adjusted series are calculated for each State and Territory for the series "Passenger vehicles", "Other vehicles" and "Total vehicles". The component State/Territory "Passenger vehicles" and "Other vehicles" seasonally adjusted figures are summed to derive the Australian figures and the two resultant figures are summed to obtain Australian seasonally adjusted "Total vehicles".

18. Extreme care should be exercised in using the seasonally adjusted series for the number of new motor vehicle registrations in Tasmania, the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory. The small numbers and volatile nature of these data makes reliable estimation of the seasonal pattern very difficult.

19. Seasonal adjustment may be carried out by various methods and the results may vary slightly according to the procedure adopted. Accordingly, seasonally adjusted statistics should not be regarded as in any way definitive. In interpreting particular seasonally adjusted statistics it is important to bear in mind the methods by which they have been derived and the limitations to which the methods used are subject.

20. Seasonal adjustment is a means of removing the estimated effects of normal seasonal variation from the series so that the effects of other influences on the series may be more clearly recognised. Seasonal adjustment procedures do not aim to remove the irregular or nonseasonal influences which may be present in any particular month, such as the effect of introducing new models, processing delays, or of industrial disputes. Irregular influences that are highly volatile can make it difficult to interpret the movement of the series even after adjustment for seasonal variation.

21. The seasonally adjusted series can, however, be smoothed to reduce the impact of the irregular component in the adjusted series. This smoothed seasonally adjusted series is called a trend estimate. Trend estimates of motor vehicle registration statistics for Australia are shown in Table 1 and State/Territory trend estimates are shown in Table 3. These trend estimates have been derived by ap-

plying a 13-term Henderson-weighted moving average to the seasonally adjusted series.

22. While this technique enables trend estimates for the latest period to be produced, it does result in revisions to the trend estimate for the most recent months as additional observations become available. There may also be revisions as a result of changes in the original data, and as a result of the re-estimation of the seasonal factors. 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.

Classification by area

23. In all States, *capital city* registrations refer to vehicles for which the address of the registered owner is located within the capital city statistical division. These statistical divisions are re-defined from time to time usually as the result of information available from periodic censuses of population and housing. All registrations in the Australian Capital Territory are included under 'Capital cities' while those in the Northern Territory are included under 'Other areas'.

Related publications

24. Users may also wish to refer to the following motor vehicle registration publications which are available on request:

Registrations of New Motor Vehicles, Australia, Preliminary (9301.0) — issued monthly.

Motor Vehicle Registrations, Australia, 1991-92 (9304.0) — issued annually.

Motor Vehicle Census, Australia, 30 June 1993 (9309.0) — issued periodically.

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26. Where figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.

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