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EXPERIMENTAL ESTIMATES OF FREIGHT MOVEMENTS, AUSTRALIA, SEPTEMBER QUARTER 1995

INTRODUCTION

This publication provides estimates from the Freight Movements Survey of Australia. For more details on the background and development of the survey, refer to *Information Paper — Freight Movements, Australia* (9218.0) which is available on request. The Freight Movements Survey replaces the Interstate Freight Movement Survey which ceased in the June quarter 1994.

The statistics are compiled from data provided by transport operators and other private and government-owned organisations involved in moving freight in Australia. Respondents were asked to supply information on type and quantity of goods or materials moved and to specify the origin and destination of those goods and materials. Information was obtained on whether the commodity was moved in bulk, was dangerous, containerised or refrigerated.

The ABS is very interested in feedback from users of these statistics. Users are invited to provide comments to the ABS on any aspects of this release, including particular estimates contained within it.

CAUTIONARY NOTES

The ABS has been conducting the quarterly survey of freight movements since the June quarter 1994. The estimates presented in this release are regarded as experimental at this stage, especially for road freight, and should be used with caution. Particular care should be taken when comparing September quarter 1995 and September quarter 1994 data. ABS procedures have been refined, respondents have become more familiar with the survey since its introduction and operators who have ceased operations between the two quarters have not been replaced. Consequently the data for the September quarter 1994 may not be directly comparable with September quarter 1995 data.

For more information, refer to the comments below and the section, Reliability of estimates, on page 5.

As the ABS collected information on individual movements rather than consignments, freight movements which involved more than one operator or mode could have been counted more than once (see Scope of the survey, on page 3).

INQUIRIES

- for further information about statistics in this publication and the availability of related unpublished statistics, contact Sharyn Marken on (07) 3222 6190 or any ABS office
- for information about other ABS statistics and services, refer to the back of this publication.

At this stage, estimates have not been weighted to provide an indication of tonnes moved by distance. Data on a tonne-kilometre basis will be presented in future issues.

Care should be used in interpreting quarterly changes as freight movements can be influenced by seasonal fluctuations. As this is a new survey, the extent of seasonality in the series is unknown.

Users should also be cautious when comparing data for the different transport modes as scope and coverage differences affect the estimates for each mode. In particular, road freight information collected was limited to freight carried by vehicles over 3.5 tonnes gross vehicle mass and excluded freight moved within urban areas or over distances of less than 25 kilometres in rural areas. The road freight movements excluded are thought to represent a large portion of all road freight moved in Australia. Urban movements were also excluded for rail but, in contrast to road freight, are expected to constitute a relatively small proportion of the freight moved by that mode (see the paragraph under Road in the section, Scope of the survey).

Road operators with relatively simple information systems were asked to provide information for a specified two-week period in the middle of the quarter. That information was then expanded to produce quarterly estimates. In other situations, respondents with large numbers of movements were asked to provide information relating to a sample of those movements and the results were also expanded. Where sophisticated information systems existed, total freight movement information was often provided for the whole quarter.

Where sub-quarterly data were provided by respondents, error could have arisen due to:

- the sub-quarterly reporting period used not being representative of the whole quarter; and
- the sampling of records by those respondents who were asked to report in respect of a specified sub-sample of their movement records, not being representative of the whole quarter.

Further error could have resulted from:

- any inaccuracies in the sample framework affecting road freight movement estimates (see Road in the section, Coverage of the survey);
- non-response affecting the estimates for road freight movements (see Reliability of estimates); and,
- respondent errors and omissions; for instance, where incomplete information was provided, the ABS estimated for missing data using previous information and/or conversion factors (see Reliability of estimates).

The estimates are also subject to sampling error. Where the sampling error associated with a particular estimate is large, this is indicated by an asterisk beside the figure (see Reliability of estimates for a full explanation).

It is expected that total error will reduce as procedures and frameworks improve, respondents become more familiar with the survey and response rates increase.

The ABS is currently undertaking a methodological review of the survey to improve the quality of freight movement information. This review is scheduled for completion during 1996.

The estimates in this release may be revised as results from future surveys become available for analysis.

SURVEY FINDINGS

It is estimated that 160.7 million tonnes of freight was moved in Australia during the September quarter 1995. This was an increase of 5.4% compared with the June quarter 1995. Two-thirds (66.3%) was moved by rail, 26.2% by road, 7.4% by sea and less than 0.1% by air.

Major commodities moved by rail in the September quarter 1995 were metalliferous ores 43.6 million tonnes; coal, coke and briquettes 35.2 million tonnes and vegetables and fruit (mainly sugar cane) 16.1 million tonnes.

Stone, sand and gravel at 4.3 million tonnes was the major identifiable commodity moved by road in the September quarter. Cork and wood, coal, coke and briquettes and other foodstuffs were also significant in the September quarter. General freight (unspecified) and other freight (miscellaneous materials and manufactured goods) comprised a large proportion of total freight moved by road.

For sea, the two major commodities moved in September quarter 1995 were metalliferous ores and metal scrap (5.2 million tonnes) and petroleum oil, motor spirit and other light oils (2.9 million tonnes).

Of the total measured freight moved in Australia by rail, intrastate movements accounted for 97.6% in the September quarter 1995. For road, intrastate movements accounted for 82.9% of the total in the September quarter. This compares with 97.1% and 82.0% for intrastate movements by rail and road, respectively, in the June quarter 1995.

SCOPE OF THE SURVEY

The statistics in this publication relate to freight movements by all industries and sectors of the Australian economy whether they are carried by transport (hire and reward) operators or moved by ancillary operators (i.e. manufacturers, retailers, wholesalers, etc. moving goods on their own account). Freight moved by vehicles belonging to the defence forces and by pipeline were excluded from the survey.

Movements made under prime contract or own account arrangements were reported. In order to avoid double counting, freight moved under subcontract arrangements was excluded as it was covered under a prime contract.

Movements involving more than one mode of transportation were recorded as separate movements. For example, freight moved from Sydney to Hobart by road and sea was recorded as 'road' from Sydney to Melbourne, 'sea' from Melbourne to Devonport and 'road' from Devonport to Hobart. Freight moved interstate by rail which involved two rail authorities was recorded as two separate movements. For example, a consignment moved from Melbourne to Townsville was recorded as one movement from Melbourne to Brisbane and a separate movement from Brisbane to Townsville.

Road The survey covers the prime contract freight movements undertaken by businesses which are the registered owners of:

- commercial rigid and articulated trucks, with gross vehicle/combination mass of 3.5 tonnes or more; or
- trailers forming part of an articulated truck combination.

All movements within urban areas or those of less than 25 kilometres in rural areas, except those that cross State or urban boundaries, were excluded from the survey. Freight movements involving tools of trade were also excluded.

As a minimum requirement, respondents were asked to provide information on the movements of freight for a specified two-week period in the middle of the quarter. Information for longer periods up to three months was obtained from some operators. Additionally, some respondents were asked to provide information for a sample of movements within the reporting period. Where necessary, the data were expanded to represent freight movements for the quarter.

Rail, sea and air

Apart from freight carried solely within urban areas, all rail, sea and air movements within Australia and its Territories by public and private organisations were included. International freight moving in or out of Australia or in transit was excluded.

COVERAGE OF THE SURVEY

Road

The registers of motor vehicle registration authorities at 30 June 1993 were used to identify the registered owners of commercial rigid and articulated trucks or trailers forming part of an articulated truck combination.

The resulting population (approximately 340,000 organisations) was divided into four strata depending on how many trucks/trailers were registered to that organisation: 1 to 2 trucks/trailers = Stratum 1; 3 to 9 trucks/trailers = Stratum 2; 10 to 19 trucks/trailers = Stratum 3; 20 or more trucks/trailers = Stratum 4. For the survey, a simple random sample of organisations was selected from each of strata 1 to 3, while all organisations in Stratum 4 were approached. A total of 4,400 organisations were included in the data collection phase of the survey.

The sample used in the survey has not been changed since the June quarter 1994 with a result that ceased operators have not been replaced by new operators. This tends to cause a decline in the estimates produced from the survey. Users should exercise caution when making comparisons over time.

Rail, sea and air

For rail, sea and air, all public authority and private business operators were included.

DEFINITIONS

A *prime contract* is an agreement to move freight, made between the original consignor of the freight and the transporter.

Own account freight is that owned and transported by the same legal entity.

Freight includes all goods and materials transported except tools of trade and freight moved by vehicles of the defence forces and by pipeline.

Bulk goods are those moved in an unpackaged or loose form, e.g. stone, sand, gravel, petroleum.

Containerised goods are those transported in a shipping container, e.g. a 20-foot equivalent unit (TEU).

Dangerous goods are those classified as dangerous or hazardous according to the Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail (fifth edition).

Refrigerated goods are those requiring insulation, chilling or freezing during transportation.

Commodities are classified according to the 1 to 3-digit level codes of the Australian Transport Freight Commodity Classification (ATFCC) and Australian Pack Classification (APC). Information is aggregated and available for 32 broad commodity descriptions. See table 2 for the commodity descriptions. For air freight, only broad commodity descriptions are available.

Origin and destination represent the points at which the goods were picked up and to which they were delivered in accordance with the prime contract. This information was coded to the statistical subdivision level. In this publication only the statistical division level is shown.

Quantity. The unit of measurement is tonnes. Appropriate conversions are applied to data that are supplied as litres, cubic metres, etc.

Mode identifies whether the movement was by road, rail, sea or air.

RELIABILITY OF ESTIMATES

As with any new survey, some data collection problems were encountered, particularly in the road freight area. Below is a brief account of some of the issues that arose and the solutions adopted:

- Some companies recorded freight movements on the basis of regional zones and could not identify specific origins and destinations. In cases of large movements of a specific commodity, the company was usually able to supply sufficient information to code the relevant origin and destination. Where parcel or general freight was involved, the movement was split between the major statistical subdivisions based on population distribution or other relevant information provided by the company.
- Some companies provided only the dollar value of goods transported as no measure of weight was available from their information systems.
 Average prices of these goods were used to estimate the weight in tonnes.
- Some companies made many deliveries along a route and could not provide all the relevant details of the tonnage involved, drop-off points, etc. Discussions with respondents usually elicited sufficient information to estimate these movements. Where this was not satisfactory, an average weight of the freight was recorded between the origin and final destination.
- As names and addresses of survey respondents were obtained from the State/Territory motor vehicle registration authorities in 1993, company closures, takeovers and postal address changes, etc. led to difficulties in contacting some organisations. This contributed to the non-response rate and had an effect on the survey estimates. Where no previous information was available on which to base estimates for these companies, estimated values were not included for these units.

Since the estimates for road freight are based on data obtained from a sample rather than a complete enumeration, the data are subject to sampling variability. That is, they may differ from the figures that would have been obtained if all units had been included. One measure of the likely difference is given by the standard error, which indicates the extent to which an estimate might have varied by chance because only a sample of units was included. There are about 2 chances in 3 that a sample estimate will differ by less than one standard error from the figure that would have

been obtained if all units had been included, and about 19 chances in 20 that the difference will be less than two standard errors.

Another measure of sampling variability is the relative standard error which is obtained by expressing the standard error as a percentage of the estimate to which it refers. The relative standard error is a useful measure in that it provides an indication of the percentage errors likely to have occurred due to sampling. The accuracy of the estimates of different magnitude can be readily compared using the relative standard error.

As an example of the above, in table 1 the estimate of total road freight in the June quarter 1994 is 68,192 thousand tonnes. The RSE for this estimate is 5.9%, i.e. 4,023 thousand tonnes. This means there are about 2 chances in 3 that the value which would have been obtained from a complete enumeration would have been a figure in the range 64,169 thousand tonnes to 72,215 thousand tonnes and about 19 chances in 20 that it would have been in the range 60,145 thousand tonnes to 76,239 thousand tonnes.

In this publication, only estimates with relative standard errors of less than 25% are considered sufficiently reliable for most purposes. Data items with a relative standard error from 25% to 49.9% are preceded by a single asterisk (*) while those with a relative standard error of 50% or more are replaced with two asterisks (**). Relative standard errors for estimates contained in the tables are available from the ABS.

Sampling error is not the only type of inaccuracy which affects the quality of the data. Other types of error, referred to as non-sampling error, can be present in any type of collection, whether it be a complete enumeration or a sample survey. For example, non-sampling error can occur because of the inability to identify all freight movers in Australia, non-response to the survey, imperfections in reporting by respondents, definition or classification difficulties, or errors in transcribing and processing the data. While the effects of non-sampling error are not quantifiable, every effort is made to minimise the effect through the design and testing of questionnaires and the use of efficient operating procedures.

As the size of standard errors associated with some estimates is very large and the effect of non-sampling error on all estimates is unknown, it is important for users to consider whether the estimates from the survey are reliable enough for their purposes. Users should contact the ABS if they have any queries on the reliability of estimates for particular purposes.

AUSTRALIAN STANDARD GEOGRAPHICAL CLASSIFICATION Statistics from the survey are classified according to the Australian Standard Geographical Classification (ASGC), Edition 2.4. This classification incorporates a number of hierarchical structures of geographic areas. The appropriate spatial units of the main structure of the ASGC used in the survey are defined as follows:

Statistical Subdivisions (SSDs) consist of one or more legal local government areas (LGAs) or suburbs in certain urban LGAs. They form intermediate size spatial units for the presentation of regional data.

Statistical Divisions (SDs), which consist of one or more SSDs, are designed to be relatively homogeneous regions characterised by identifiable social and economic units within a region, under the unifying influence of one or more major towns or cities.

A listing of statistical divisions and subdivisions appears on pages 16 and 17. For maps showing the boundaries of statistical areas, contact your nearest ABS office.

UNPUBLISHED STATISTICS

Unpublished data are available. Inquiries should be made to the contact shown at the front of this publication.

SYMBOLS AND OTHER USAGES

n.a. not available

not elsewhere specified n.e.s

not available for publication but included in totals where applicable n.p.

number suppressed — sample is too small to provide a reliable R.S.

figure or series revised since previous issue

relative standard error between 25% and 49.9%

** relative standard error of 50% or more

not applicable

nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)

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

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| | Rail | Road | Sea | Air | Total |
|----------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Period | '000 tonnes |
| 19 9 4–95 | r384 760 | r221 429 | r49 616 | 205 | r656 010 |
| 1994 | | | | | |
| June quarter | 81 248 | 68 192 | 11 349 | 43 | 160 833 |
| September quarter | 108 831 | 57 107 | 12 546 | 53 | 178 537 |
| December quarter | 102 282 | 61 782 | 13 160 | 55 | 177 280 |
| 1995 | | | | | |
| March quarter | 84 324 | 51 322 | 12 015 | 50 | 147 712 |
| June quarter | r89 324 | r51 216 | r11 895 | 47 | r152 482 |
| September quarter | 106 622 | 42 117 | 11 956 | 52 | 160 747 |

| | Rail | Road | Sea | Air | Total |
|---|-------------|---------------|-------------|------------|-------------|
| Commodity | '000 tonnes | '000 tonnes | '000 tonnes | 000 tonnes | '000 tonnes |
| Food and live animals | | | | | <u> </u> |
| Live animals | 103 | 2 208 | 4 | n.a. | 2 315 |
| Meat and meat preparations | 46 | *333 | 6 | n.a. | 384 |
| Cereal grains | 2 248 | 1 520 | 178 | n.a. | 3 946 |
| Vegetables and fruit | 16 102 | 1 320 | 25 | n.a. | 17 448 |
| Sugar, sugar preparations and honey | 1 472 | 495 | 125 | n.a. | 2 093 |
| Other foodstuffs | 133 | 2 663 | 23 | n.a. | 2 820 |
| Beverages (alcoholic and non-alcoholic) | 2 | 482 | 12 | n.a. | 495 |
| Crude materials, inedible, except fuels | | | | | |
| Cork and wood | 395 | 3 619 | 32 | n.a. | 4 046 |
| Textile fibres | 106 | ** | 2 | n.a. | n.p. |
| Fertilizers (crude and manufactured) | 45 | *1 184 | 13 | n.a. | 1 242 |
| Stone, sand and gravel | 614 | 4 324 | _ | п.а. | 4 938 |
| Metalliferous ores and metal scrap | 43 565 | *1 208 | 5 176 | n.a. | 49 949 |
| Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials | | | | | |
| Coal, coke and briquettes | 35 172 | 3 341 | 561 | n.a. | 39 074 |
| Petroleum oil, motor spirit and other light oils | 308 | 1 532 | 2 945 | n.a. | 4 784 |
| Other petroleum oils and products | 166 | 1 332 | 431 | n.a. | 1 930 |
| Gases (natural and manufactured) | 4 | ** | 128 | n.a. | n.p. |
| Chemicals and related products, n.e.s. | 368 | 732 | 123 | n.a. | 1 223 |
| Manufactured goods (classified chiefly by materia | ıl) | | | | |
| Paper and paper products | 18 | 548 | 135 | n.a. | 700 |
| Cement and cement clinker | 558 | 614 | 473 | n.a. | 1 645 |
| Clay products (bricks, tiles, pipes, etc.) | 10 | ** | _ | n.a. | n.p. |
| Other building materials | 47 | 941 | 7 | n.a. | 996 |
| Iron and steel | 608 | 529 | 309 | n.a. | 1 446 |
| Non-ferrous metals | 92 | 97 | 25 | n.a. | 213 |
| Machinery and transport equipment | | | | | |
| Machinery and equipment | 23 | *696 | 6 | n.a. | 724 |
| Motor vehicles | 1 | *7 9 5 | 15 | n.a. | 810 |
| Motor vehicle parts and accessories | | n.p. | 1 | n.a. | n.p. |
| Other road vehicles/transport equipment | 5 | ** | 3 | n.a. | n.p. |
| Miscellaneous manufactured articles | | | | | |
| Furniture | _ | *116 | 2 | n.a. | 119 |
| Commodities and transactions, n.e.s. | | | | | |
| Mail and postal packages | _ | 107 | 2 | 11 | 120 |
| General freight ² | 1 765 | 4 043 | 126 | 41 | 5 975 |
| Empty used containers and packaging | 37 | 134 | 39 | n.a. | 210 |
| Other freight ³ | 2 610 | *5 391 | 1 028 | n.a. | 9 029 |
| Total | 106 622 | 42 117 | 11 956 | 52 | 160 747 |

¹ Freight movements which involve more than one operator or mode may be counted more than once.

² Commodities not classified by type, including personal effects and furniture, not for sale.

³All other commodities not elsewhere specified including animal feed, crude rubber, slag, ships and boats.

| State (Tarvita a. | Rail | Road | Sea | Air | Total |
|--|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| State/Territory Statistical division | '000 tonnes | '000 tonnes | '000 tonnes | '000 tonnes | '000 tonnes |
| New South Wales and Australian Capital Territory | ¹18 471 | 11 809 | 1 226 | 15 | 31 521 |
| Sydney | 979 | 3 748 | 226 | 14 | 4 966 |
| Hunter | 11 804 | 2 512 | 444 | _ | 14 760 |
| Illawarra | 2 089 | 1 501 | 555 | _ | 4 145 |
| Richmond-Tweed | 28 | *270 | _ | | 298 |
| Mid North Coast | 240 | *526 | 1 | | 767 |
| Northern | 276 | *605 | | | 881 |
| North Western | 187 | *559 | _ | | 745 |
| Central West | 2 003 | 266 | _ | _ | 2 270 |
| South Eastern | 61 | ** | | _ | п.р. |
| Murrumbidgee | 140 | *928 | _ | _ | 1 068 |
| Murray | 116 | 316 | _ | | 432 |
| Far West | _ | n.p. | _ | | n.p. |
| Australian Capital Territory ² | _ | 37 | | 1 | 38 |
| Victoria | ¹1 347 | 9 468 | 1 714 | 16 | 12 545 |
| Melbourne | 465 | 3 850 | 1 450 | 16 | 5 780 |
| Barwon | 172 | 895 | 223 | _ | 1 290 |
| Western District | 23 | 991 | _ | _ | 1 014 |
| Central Highlands | 15 | 333 | _ | - | 348 |
| Wimmera | 225 | ** | _ | _ | n.p. |
| Mallee | 35 | n.p. | _ | _ | n.p. |
| Loddon-Campaspe | 68 | *412 | | _ | 480 |
| Goulbum | 100 | 682 | | _ | 782 |
| Ovens-Murray | 49 | 262 | _ | _ | 311 |
| East Gippsland | _ | 395 | | _ | 395 |
| Gippsland | 61 | 728 | 34 | | 823 |
| Off-shore areas | | _ | 7 | | 7 |
| Queensland | 41 584 | 9 892 | 2 938 | 9 | 54 422 |
| Brisbane | 845 | 2 849 | 452 | 7 | 4 153 |
| Moreton | 798 | *1 112 | | _ | 1 910 |
| Wide Bay-Burnett | 2 408 | *794 | 47 | | 3 249 |
| Darling Downs | 209 | *2 008 | _ | _ | 2 216 |
| South-West | 28 | *189 | _ | | 217 |
| Fitzroy | 10 763 | 443 | 406 | _ | 11 612 |
| Central-West | 19 | *96 | | _ | 115 |
| Mackay | 10 791 | ** | 75 | _ | n,p, |
| Northern | 9 054 | *651 | 7 | 1 | 9 713 |
| Far North | 6 454 | *1 123 | 1 942 | 1 | 9 520 |
| North-West | 216 | л.р. | 6 | _ | n.p. |
| Off-shore areas | _ | _ | 2 | _ | 2 |
| South Australia | ¹2 705 | 3 303 | 1 664 | 3 | 7 675 |
| Adelaide | 495 | 8 97 | 362 | 3 | 1 757 |
| Outer Adelaide | 120 | 343 | _ | _ | 463 |
| Yorke and Lower North | _ | ** | 589 | _ | n.p. |
| Murray Lands | 32 | ** | _ | _ | n.p. |
| South-East | 1 | *994 | | | 996 |
| Eyre | 260 | *103 | 220 | | 583 |
| Northern | 1 609 | *313 | 494 | _ | 2 416 |
| Vestern Australia | ¹41 850 | 5 865 | 3 171 | 5 | 50 892 |
| Perth | 2 107 | 1 700 | 224 | 4 | 4 035 |
| South-West | 429 | *1 527 | 187 | | 2 143 |
| Lower Great Southern | 45 | ** | 10 | _ | n.p. |
| Upper Great Southern | 1 146 | *135 | | _ | 1 280 |
| Midlands | 1 031 | 70 6 | _ | _ | 1 737 |
| South Eastern | 305 | 606 | | _ | 911 |
| Central | 3 868 | 232 | _ | _ 1 | 4 100 |
| Pilbara | 32 918 | *141 | 2 563 | 1 | 35 623 |
| Kimberley | JE 010 | ** | 2 303 | | n.p. |
| Off-shore areas | | | 186 | | 1.p. |

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| | Rail | Road | Şea | Air | Total |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| State/Territory Statistical division | '000 tonnes |
| Tasmania | 637 | 1 466 | 971 | 3 | 3 076 |
| Greater Hobart | 37 | *195 | 82 | 1 | 316 |
| Southern | 6 | n.p. | _ | _ | n.p. |
| Northern | 161 | n.p. | 87 | 1 | n.p. |
| Mersey-Lyell | 432 | 495 | 802 | _ | 1 729 |
| Northern Territory | 29 | 314 | 272 | 1 | 616 |
| Darwin | _ | 62 | 27 | 1 | 90 |
| Northern Territory — Balance | 29 | 252 | 241 | _ | 523 |
| Off-shore areas | _ | - | 3 | _ | 3 |
| Total | 106 622 | 42 117 | 11 956 | 52 | 160 747 |

 $^{^{\}pm}$ Including rail movements for which no origin at statistical division level was supplied. 2 Canberra and Australian Capital Territory — Balance Statistical Divisions.

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FREIGHT MOVEMENTS: DESTINATION OF FREIGHT BY MODE, SEPTEMBER QUARTER 1995

| | Rail | Road | Sea | Air | Total |
|--|-------------|--------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
| State/Territory | | | | | |
| Statistical division | '000 tonnes | '000 tonnes | '000 tonnes | '000 tonnes | '000 tonnes |
| New South Wales and Australian Capital Territory | 117 922 | 11 731 | 4 783 | 13 | 34 449 |
| Sydney | 1 197 | 4 082 | 1 36 9 | 12 | 6 661 |
| Hunter | 12 310 | 1 658 | 882 | | 14 851 |
| Illawarra | 3 744 | 1 130 | 2 494 | | 7 368 |
| Richmond-Tweed | 16 | *265 | _ | _ | 281 |
| Mid North Coast | 75 | 559 | 1 | _ | 634 |
| Northern | 169 | *588 | _ | _ | 757 |
| North Western | 62 | *459 | | _ | 521 |
| Central West | 105 | 1 196 | _ | _ | 1 301 |
| South Eastern | 33 | 248 | 37 | _ | 318 |
| Murrumbidgee | 34 | *807 | | _ | 841 |
| Murray | 37 | 335 | | _ | 372 |
| Far West | 9 | n.s. | _ | _ | n.p. |
| Australian Capital Territory ² | 57 | ** | | 1 | n.p. |
| Victoria | ¹1 512 | 9 218 | 1 412 | 12 | 12 154 |
| Melbourne | 920 | 3 014 | 970 | 12 | 4 916 |
| Barwon | 87 | 758 | 190 | _ | 1 035 |
| Western District | 18 | 1 266 | 210 | _ | 1 495 |
| Central Highlands | 24 | *412 | _ | | 436 |
| Wimmera | 39 | *4 57 | | | 496 |
| Mallee | 33 | *465 | _ | _ | 499 |
| Loddon-Campaspe | 77 | 607 | _ | _ | 685 |
| Goulburn | 22 | 606 | _ | | 629 |
| Ovens-Murray | 73 | *536 | _ | _ | 609 |
| East Gippsland | 1 | 287 | _ | _ | 289 |
| Gippsland | 5 | 808 | 8 | _ | 821 |
| Off-shore areas | _ | | 34 | | 34 |

| | Rail | Road | Sea | Air | Total |
|------------------------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|
| State/Territory | | | | | |
| Statistical division | '000 tonnes | '000 tonnes | '000 tonnes | '000 tonnes | 000 tonnes |
| Queensland | 41 842 | 10 136 | 3 350 | 11 | 55 338 |
| Brisbane | 1 466 | 3 090 | 752 | 8 | 5 315 |
| Moreton | 346 | *1 249 | _ | _ | 1 595 |
| Wide Bay-Burnett | 2 360 | *650 | _ | _ | 3 010 |
| Darling Downs | 141 | *1 888 | 60 | _ | 2 089 |
| South-West | 42 | * 28 3 | _ | _ | 324 |
| Fitzroy | 7 916 | 457 | 2 140 | _ | 10 512 |
| Central-West | 10 | *66 | _ | | 77 |
| Mackay | 13 642 | *617 | 131 | | 14 391 |
| Northern | 9 201 | *548 | 158 | 1 | 9 907 |
| Far North | 6 481 | *1 173 | 108 | 1 | 7 763 |
| North-West | 237 | 11 5 | _ | _ | 353 |
| Off-shore areas | _ | | 1 | | 1 |
| South Australia | ¹2 451 | 3 206 | 885 | 4 | 6 547 |
| Adelaide | 615 | 1 617 | 604 | 4 | 2 840 |
| Outer Adelaide | _ | 191 | _ | | 191 |
| Yorke and Lower North | _ | *51 | 13 | - | 64 |
| Murray Lands | 1 | 186 | | _ | 187 |
| South-East | | *784 | | _ | 784 |
| Eyre | 260 | *113 | 43 | _ | 416 |
| Northern | 1 564 | *264 | 225 | | 2 054 |
| Western Australia | ¹42 170 | 5 941 | 612 | 7 | 48 730 |
| Perth | 3 271 | *1 689 | 4 07 | 5 | 5 372 |
| South-West | 916 | *1 428 | _ | | 2 343 |
| Lower Great Southern | 263 | *600 | _ | _ | 86 3 |
| Upper Great Southern | 251 | n.p. | _ | _ | n.p. |
| Midlands | 104 | 605 | | _ | 709 |
| South Eastern | 802 | 822 | 60 | _ | 1 684 |
| Central | 369 | 368 | 51 | 1 | 789 |
| Pilbara | 36 177 | *221 | 58 | 1 | 36 457 |
| Kimberley | _ | ** | 6 | | n.p. |
| Off-shore areas | _ | _ | 31 | _ | 31 |
| Tasmania | 637 | 1 466 | 845 | 3 | 2 951 |
| Greater Hobart | 98 | 304 | 214 | 1 | 617 |
| Southern | _ | *173 | _ | _ | 173 |
| Northern | 57 | *566 | 298 | 2 | 923 |
| Mersey-Lyell | 482 | 424 | 333 | | 1 238 |
| Northern Territory | 88 | 420 | 67 | 1 | 578 |
| Darwin | _ | 252 | 41 | 1 | 294 |
| Northern Territory — Balance | 88 | 168 | 19 | 1 | 276 |
| Off-shore areas | _ | _ | 7 | -1 : | 7 |
| Total | 106 622 | 42 117 | 11 956 | 52 | 160 747 |

Including rail movements for which no destination at statistical division level was supplied.
Canberra and Australian Capital Territory Balance Statistical Divisions.

| | Destination | | | | | | | |
|---|--|-------------|--------------|--------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|--|
| | New South Wales and Australian Capital Territory | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Northern Territory | |
| Origin | '000 tonnes | '000 tonnes | '000 tonnes | '000 tonnes | '000 tonnes | '000 tonnes | '000 tonnes | |
| | | | RAIL | | | | <u> </u> | |
| New South Wales and Australian | 47.540 | 0.40 | | | | | | |
| Capital Territory | 17 510 | 349 | 292 | 180 | 130 | | 10 | |
| Victoria | 152 | 791 | 124 | 137 | 140 | | 4 | |
| Queensland | 137 | 52 | 41 358 | 12 | 24 | | _ | |
| South Australia | 120 | 270 | 47 | 2 047 | 146 | | 75 | |
| Western Australia | 2 | 49 | 20 | 50 | 4 1 7 2 9 | | - | |
| Tasmania | • • | | , . | | | 637 | | |
| Northern Territory | 1 | 1 | - | 26 | 1 | | _ | |
| | | R | OAD | | | | | |
| New South Wales and Australian | | | | | | | | |
| Capital Territory | 9 479 | 1 062 | 916 | 234 | n.p. | | n.s. | |
| Victoria | 1 1 78 | 7 092 | 402 | 678 | n.p. | | n.s. | |
| Queensland | 830 | 212 | 8 725 | 56 | *33 | 1.0 | *37 | |
| South Australia | 184 | *762 | 52 | 2 207 | *37 | 4 1 | 60 | |
| Western Australia | n.p. | n.p. | n.p. | n.p. | 5 654 | | n.s. | |
| Tasmania | | • • | | | | 1 466 | | |
| Northern Territory | n.s. | n.s. | n.s. | n.s. | n.s. | | 275 | |
| | | | SEA | | | | | |
| New South Wales and Australian | | | | | | | | |
| Capital Territory | 359 | 338 | 112 | 200 | 44 | 173 | _ | |
| Victoria | 775 | 56 | 469 | 19 | 105 | 270 | 22 | |
| Queensland | 426 | 1 17 | 2 392 | _ | _ | _ | 2 | |
| South Australia | 675 | 264 | 238 | 370 | 13 | 103 | | |
| Western Australia | 2 064 | 322 | 57 | 279 | 441 | 2 | 6 | |
| Tasmania | 46 4 | 314 | 81 | 18 | 9 | 85 | _ | |
| Northern Territory | 20 | 1 | _ | _ | _ | 213 | 38 | |
| | <u></u> | ···· | NR | | | | _ | |
| New South Wales and Australian Capital Territory | 1 | 6 | 4 | 2 | 2 | _ | _ | |
| Victoria | 6 | | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | | |
| Queensland | 3 | 1 | 3 | _ | | _ | _ | |
| South Australia | 1 | 1 | _ | _ | 1 | _ | _ | |
| Western Australia | 1 | 2 | | | 2 | _ | _ | |
| Tasmania | _ | 2 | | _ | | _ | _ | |
| Northern Territory | _ | | | | _ | | _ | |

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FREIGHT MOVEMENTS BY SELECTED METHOD OF TRANSPORT¹

| | Bulk | Dangerous | Refrigerated | Containerised |
|-------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|---------------|
| Period | '000 tonnes | '000 tonnes | '000 tonnes | '000 tonnes |
| 1994–95 | r513 880 | r35 112 | r11 862 | r15 934 |
| 1994 | | | | |
| June quarter | 107 591 | 9 436 | 1 797 | 3 610 |
| September quarter | 144 333 | 11 357 | 2 386 | 3 791 |
| December quarter | 136 997 | 9 187 | 3 738 | 4 217 |
| 1995 | | | | |
| March quarter | 114 237 | 7 128 | 2 840 | 3 933 |
| June quarter | r118 313 | r7 440 | r2 898 | r3 992 |
| September quarter | 134 574 | 7 134 | 1 724 | 3 763 |

¹Excluding freight not transported by any of the methods shown. A single freight movement can appear under more than one method of transport, e.g. chemicals and related products, n.e.s. can appear under both *Bulk* and *Dangerous*.

| | Bulk | Dangerous | Refrigerated | Containerised |
|---|--------------------|-------------|--------------|---------------|
| Commodity | '000 tonnes | '000 tonnes | '000 tonnes | '000 tonnes |
| Food and live animals | | | | |
| Live animals | | | | |
| Meat and meat preparations | 1.1 | | *316 | 88 |
| Cereal grains | 3 703 | | K p | 135 |
| Vegetables and fruit | 16 548 | | 469 | *217 |
| Sugar, sugar preparations and honey | 2 072 | | * * | 4 |
| Other foodstuffs | 1 520 | | 894 | 71 |
| Beverages (alcoholic and non-alcoholic) | *69 | | n.p. | *22 |
| Crude materials, inedible, except fuels | | | | |
| Cork and wood | 1 958 | | . , | 71 |
| Textile fibres | ** | 1.1 | • • | 116 |
| Fertilizers (crude and manufactured) | *1 048 | *68 | | ** |
| Stone, sand and gravel | 4 5 9 5 | | | n.p. |
| Metalliferous ores and metal scrap | 49 704 | | | n.p. |
| Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials | | | | |
| Coal, coke and briquettes | 39 049 | | | n,p, |
| Petroleum oil, motor spirit and other light oils | 4 311 | 4 784 | | p. |
| Other petroleum oils and products | 1 329 | 598 | • • | n.p. |
| Gases (natural and manufactured) | ** | ** | | n.p. |
| Chemicals and related products, n.e.s. | 715 | 864 | n.p. | 166 |
| Manufactured goods (classified chiefly by materia | al) | | | |
| Paper and paper products | n.p. | h e | 1 1 | 65 |
| Cement and cement clinker | 1 288 | | | n.p. |
| Clay products (bricks, tiles, pipes, etc.) | _ | | | n.p. |
| Other building materials | 327 | _ | | 2 |
| Iron and steel | | | | n.p. |
| Non-ferrous metals | . — | | | 14 |
| Machinery and transport equipment | | | | |
| Machinery and equipment | | | 1.1 | n.p. |
| Motor vehicles | | | | _ |
| Motor vehicle parts and accessories | | 1.1 | - 1 | _ |
| Other road vehicles/transport equipment | | • • | | |
| Miscellaneous manufactured articles | | | | |
| Furniture | | • • | • • | 2 |
| Commodities and transactions, n.e.s. | | | | |
| Mail and postal packages | | | | n.p. |
| General freight ² | | | | 1 676 |
| Empty used containers and packaging | | • • | • • | 20 |
| Other freight ³ | 5 600 | n,p. | _ | 847 |

¹ Excluding freight not transported by any of the methods shown. A single freight movement can appear under more than one method of transport, e.g. chemicals and related products, n.e.s. can appear under both *Bulk* and *Dangerous*.

² Commodities not classified by type, including personal effects and furniture, not for sale.

³ All other commodities not elsewhere specified including animal feed, crude rubber, slag, ships and boats.

LISTING OF SUBDIVISIONS IN STATISTICAL DIVISIONS

New South Wales

Sydney Inner

Inner Sydney
Eastern Suburbs
St George-Sutherland
Canterbury-Bankstown
Fairfield-Liverpool
Outer South Western Sydney
Inner Western Sydney
Central Western Sydney
Outer Western Sydney
Blacktown-Baulkham Hills
Lower Northern Sydney
Hornsby-Ku-ring-gai
Northern Beaches
Gosford-Wyong

Hunter Newcastle Hunter SD Bal.

Illawarra Wollongong Illawarra SD Bal.

Richmond-Tweed
Tweed Heads
Richmond-Tweed SD Bal.

Mid-North Coast Clarence Hastings

Northern Northern Slopes Northern Tablelands North Central Plain

North Western Central Macquarie Macquarie-Barwon Upper Darling

Central West
Bathurst-Orange
Central Tablelands (excl.
Bathurst-Orange)
Lachlan

South Eastern
Queanbeyan
Southern Tablelands (excl.
Queanbeyan)
Lower South Coast
Snowy

Murrumbidgee Central Murrumbidgee Lower Murrumbidgee

New South Wales — continued

Murray Albury

Upper Murray (excl. Albury) Central Murray Murray-Darling

Far West

Off-Shore Areas & Migratory

Victoria

Melbourne

Central Melbourne Western Inner Melbourne Western Outer Melbourne Western Fringe Melbourne Northern Inner Melbourne Northern Middle Melbourne Northern Fringe Melbourne Northern Outer Melbourne Eastern Inner Melbourne Eastern Middle Melbourne Eastern Outer Melbourne Eastern Fringe Melbourne Southern Inner Melbourne Southern Outer Melbourne South Eastern Inner Melbourne South Eastern Outer Melbourne Mornington Peninsula Inner Mornington Peninsula Outer

Barwon

Greater Geelong City Part A East Barwon West Barwon

Western District Hopkins Glenelg

Central Highlands
Ballarat City
East Central Highlands
West Central Highlands

Wimmera South Wimmera North Wimmera

Mallee Mildura West Mallee East Mallee

Victoria --- continued

Loddon-Campaspe Greater Bendigo City Part A Northern Loddon-Campaspe Central Loddon-Campaspe South Loddon-Campaspe

Goulburn
Shepparton-Mooroopna
North Goulburn
South Goulburn
South West Goulburn

Ovens-Murray Wodonga North Ovens-Murray South Ovens-Murray

East Gippsland Gippsland Lakes Mitchell-Snowy Macalister-Avon

Gippsland
Latrobe Valley
West Gippsland
Strzlecki
South Gippsland

Off-Shore Areas & Migratory

Oueensland

Brisbane Brisbane City

Albert Shire Part A
Beaudesert Shire Part A
Caboolture Shire Part A
Ipswich - Moreton Shire Part A
Logan City
Pine Rivers Shire
Redcliffe City
Redland Shire

Moreton
Gold Coast City
Albert Shire Part B
Sunshine Coast
Moreton SD Bal.

Wide Bay-Burnett
Bundaberg
Wide Bay-Burnett SD Bal.

Darling Downs

South-West

LISTING OF SUBDIVISIONS IN STATISTICAL DIVISIONS — continued

Queensland — continued

Fitzroy

Rockhampton Gladstone Fitzroy SD Bal.

Central-West

Mackay

Mackay City Part A Mackay SD Bal.

Northern

Townsville City Part A Thuringowa City Part A Northern SD Bal.

Far North Cairns

Far North SD Bal.

North-West

Off-Shore Areas & Migratory

South Australia

Adelaide

Northern Western Eastern Southern

Outer Adelaide

Barossa

Kangaroo Island Onkaparinga Fleurieu

Yorke and Lower North

Yorke Lower-North

Murray Lands Riverlands Murray Mallee

South-East

Upper South-East Lower South-East

Eyre

Lincoln West Coast **South Australia** — continued

Northern

Whyalla Pirie

Flinders Ranges

Far-North

Off-Shore Areas & Migratory

Western Australia

Perth

Central Metropolitan East Metropolitan North Metropolitan South-West Metropolitan South-East Metropolitan

South West Dale Preston Vasse Blackwood

Lower Great Southern

Pallinup King

Upper Great Southern

Hotham Lakes

Midlands Moore Avon Campion

South Eastern

Lefroy Johnstone

Central Gascoyne Carnegie

Greenough River

Pilbara De Grey **Fortescue**

Kimberley Ord Fitzroy

Off-Shore Areas & Migratory

Tasmania

Greater Hobart

Southern

Northern

Greater Launceston Central North North Eastern

Mersey-Lyell

Burnie-Devonport North Western Rural

Lvell

Off-Shore Areas & Migratory

Northern Territory

Darwin

Darwin City

Palmerston-East Arm

Northern Territory - Bal. Darwin Rural Areas Bathurst-Melville

Alligator Daly

East Arnhem Lower Top End NT

Barkly Central NT

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Australian Capital Territory

Canberra

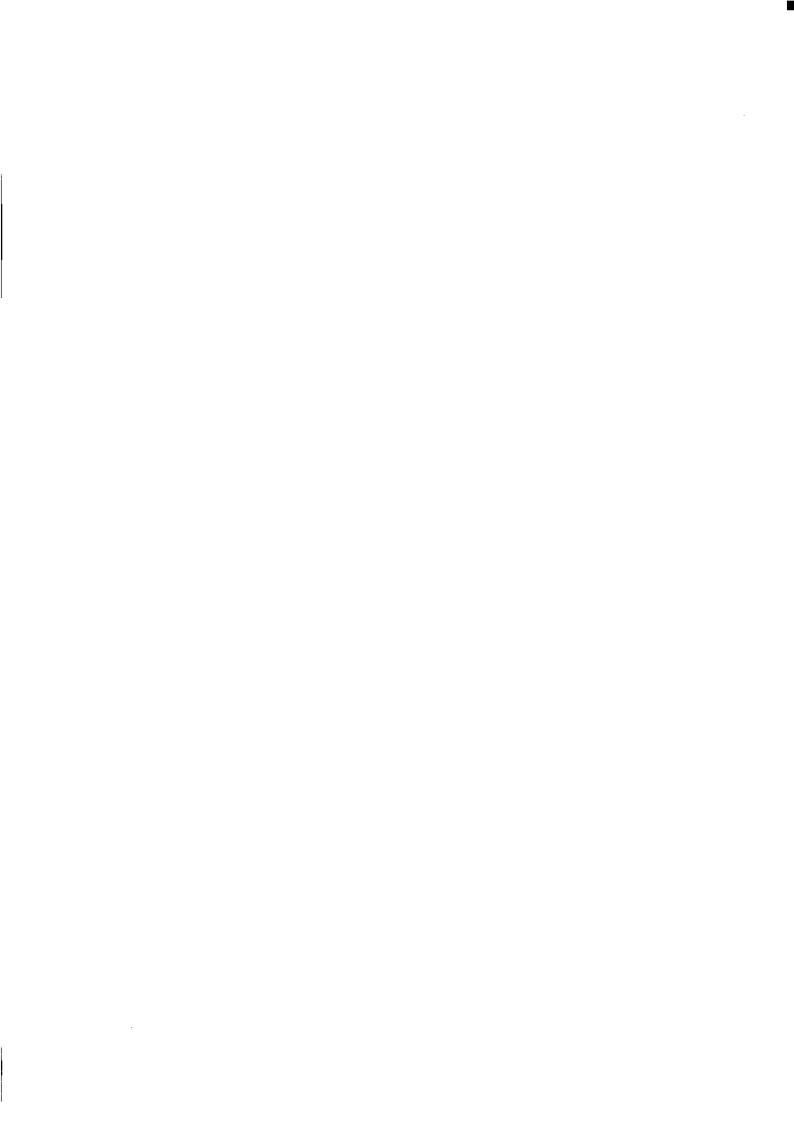
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