

CORRIGENDUM

**INVENTORIES AND SALES,  
SELECTED INDUSTRIES**

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This corrigendum presents revised inventories data for the December 1999 quarter publication of *Inventories and Sales, Selected Industries, Australia* (Cat. no. 5629.0) which was released on Monday, 28 February 2000.

September and December 1999 quarter current price seasonally adjusted and trend estimates for inventories contained incorrect data. Tables 1, 4 and 10 were incorrect and are reproduced in this corrigendum.

Chain volume measure inventory estimates, sales data and the Main Features are not affected by this error and are correct.

Correct time series data are also now available on AUSSTATS.

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## INVENTORIES, By Industry—Current prices

At end of	Mining \$m	Manufacturing \$m	Wholesale trade \$m	Retail trade \$m	Other selected industries(a) \$m	Total selected industries \$m
ORIGINAL						
June 1997	4 499	27 893	21 173	17 076	701	71 342
June 1998	4 508	29 405	23 457	16 418	757	74 546
June 1999	3 857	31 185	25 170	17 993	937	79 141
<b>1997-1998</b>						
December	4 290	27 536	23 117	16 889	833	72 664
March	4 479	28 912	23 161	16 943	796	74 291
June	4 508	29 405	23 457	16 418	757	74 546
<b>1998-1999</b>						
September	4 334	30 270	24 495	16 773	810	76 683
December	4 105	30 280	24 574	17 519	950	77 428
March	3 951	31 015	24 686	18 129	941	78 721
June	3 857	31 185	25 170	17 993	937	79 141
<b>1999-2000</b>						
September	4 052	31 524	26 761	18 673	981	81 990
December	4 052	31 810	27 709	19 102	1 105	83 778
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED						
June 1997	4 530	27 787	21 478	17 461	731	71 987
June 1998	4 529	29 280	23 795	16 793	791	75 188
June 1999	3 870	31 046	25 532	18 407	980	79 835
<b>1997-1998</b>						
December	4 288	27 912	22 964	16 685	774	72 623
March	4 482	28 626	23 194	16 848	806	73 956
June	4 529	29 280	23 795	16 793	791	75 188
<b>1998-1999</b>						
September	4 314	30 301	24 274	16 701	828	76 418
December	4 103	30 684	24 411	17 310	882	77 390
March	3 955	30 704	24 730	18 015	953	78 357
June	3 870	31 046	25 532	18 407	980	79 835
<b>1999-2000</b>						
September	4 034	31 573	26 514	18 597	1 002	81 720
December	4 050	32 249	27 525	18 877	1 025	83 726
TREND ESTIMATES						
June 1997	4 471	27 776	21 580	17 219	684	71 730
June 1998	4 453	29 410	23 789	16 716	808	75 176
June 1999	3 940	31 118	25 576	18 350	979	79 963
<b>1997-1998</b>						
December	4 403	27 918	22 773	16 894	760	72 748
March	4 445	28 568	23 333	16 728	786	73 860
June	4 453	29 410	23 789	16 716	808	75 176
<b>1998-1999</b>						
September	4 331	30 136	24 140	16 894	833	76 334
December	4 114	30 586	24 442	17 324	885	77 351
March	3 960	30 818	24 840	17 901	941	78 460
June	3 940	31 118	25 576	18 350	979	79 963
<b>1999-2000</b>						
September	3 982	31 594	26 495	18 644	1 005	81 720
December	4 049	32 136	27 466	18 869	1 023	83 543

(a) See paragraph 2 of the Explanatory Notes.

## INVENTORIES, By Manufacturing industries—Current prices

At end of	Food, beverage and tobacco	Textiles, clothing, footwear and leather(a)	Wood and paper products	Printing, publishing and recorded media	Petroleum, coal, chemical and assoc. products	Non- metallic mineral product	Metal product	Machinery and equipment	Other manu- facturing	Total manu- facturing
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
ORIGINAL										
June 1997	5 911	1 744	1 866	811	5 594	1 330	4 128	5 894	614	27 893
June 1998	6 528	1 803	2 015	882	5 569	1 138	4 427	6 330	714	29 405
June 1999	6 990	1 719	2 200	843	6 000	1 320	4 787	6 643	682	31 185
<b>1997-1998</b>										
December	5 709	1 772	1 928	906	5 577	1 192	4 113	5 698	642	27 536
March	6 187	1 681	1 976	934	5 599	1 188	4 349	6 265	732	28 912
June	6 528	1 803	2 015	882	5 569	1 138	4 427	6 330	714	29 405
<b>1998-1999</b>										
September	6 290	1 947	2 045	954	5 858	1 257	4 588	6 551	782	30 270
December	6 321	1 835	2 009	952	5 691	1 276	4 688	6 669	840	30 280
March	6 489	1 831	2 204	948	6 068	1 295	4 701	6 685	794	31 015
June	6 990	1 719	2 200	843	6 000	1 320	4 787	6 643	682	31 185
<b>1999-2000</b>										
September	6 811	1 646	2 100	922	6 137	1 094	4 622	7 415	777	31 524
December	6 828	1 586	2 140	836	6 350	983	4 519	7 856	710	31 810
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED										
June 1997	5 706	1 750	1 845	818	5 622	1 319	4 188	5 926	613	27 787
June 1998	6 293	1 811	1 992	890	5 597	1 129	4 498	6 360	710	29 280
June 1999	6 734	1 728	2 176	851	6 031	1 310	4 867	6 673	676	31 046
<b>1997-1998</b>										
December	5 888	1 785	1 959	904	5 672	1 213	4 094	5 755	642	27 912
March	6 169	1 680	1 958	937	5 509	1 183	4 328	6 132	730	28 626
June	6 293	1 811	1 992	890	5 597	1 129	4 498	6 360	710	29 280
<b>1998-1999</b>										
September	6 351	1 925	2 053	946	5 830	1 251	4 559	6 597	789	30 301
December	6 522	1 847	2 041	950	5 783	1 299	4 667	6 738	837	30 684
March	6 469	1 833	2 186	949	5 967	1 289	4 677	6 540	794	30 704
June	6 734	1 728	2 176	851	6 031	1 310	4 867	6 673	676	31 046
<b>1999-2000</b>										
September	6 878	1 627	2 108	914	6 112	1 089	4 592	7 468	785	31 573
December	7 047	1 596	2 174	835	6 451	1 000	4 499	7 939	708	32 249
TREND ESTIMATES										
June 1997	5 691	1 761	1 845	818	5 651	1 313	4 214	5 886	597	27 776
June 1998	6 281	1 808	1 992	925	5 640	1 178	4 466	6 379	741	29 410
June 1999	6 703	1 729	2 157	898	6 035	1 240	4 730	6 880	746	31 118
<b>1997-1998</b>										
December	5 951	1 740	1 959	888	5 543	1 215	4 140	5 812	670	27 918
March	6 119	1 754	1 975	914	5 577	1 171	4 296	6 065	697	28 568
June	6 281	1 808	1 992	925	5 640	1 178	4 466	6 379	741	29 410
<b>1998-1999</b>										
September	6 385	1 869	2 032	938	5 735	1 226	4 576	6 583	792	30 136
December	6 455	1 879	2 093	942	5 852	1 292	4 665	6 605	803	30 586
March	6 556	1 815	2 140	928	5 926	1 310	4 739	6 623	781	30 818
June	6 703	1 729	2 157	898	6 035	1 240	4 730	6 880	746	31 118
<b>1999-2000</b>										
September	6 874	1 651	2 155	873	6 190	1 132	4 648	7 342	729	31 594
December	7 051	1 578	2 144	850	6 358	1 011	4 535	7 884	725	32 136

(a) In using the seasonally adjusted series extra care should be exercised because of the difficulties associated with reliably estimating its seasonal pattern.

## MANUFACTURING AND WHOLESALE TRADE INVENTORIES/SALES RATIO—Current prices(a)

Year to/Quarter to	MANUFACTURING.....										WHOLESALE TRADE
	Food, beverage and tobacco	Textiles, clothing, footwear and leather	Wood and paper products	Printing, publishing and recorded media	Petroleum, coal, chemical and assoc. products	Non-metallic mineral product	Metal product	Machinery and equipment	Other manufacturing	Total manufacturing	Total wholesale
June 1997	0.52	0.74	0.55	0.33	0.64	0.53	0.53	0.60	0.37	0.56	0.51
June 1998	0.53	0.81	0.53	0.31	0.62	0.47	0.58	0.64	0.41	0.57	0.51
June 1999	0.59	0.76	0.58	0.29	0.68	0.46	0.62	0.66	0.41	0.60	0.53
<b>1997-1998</b>											
December	0.51	0.78	0.57	0.33	0.65	0.54	0.55	0.60	0.39	0.56	0.52
March	0.53	0.74	0.59	0.33	0.60	0.48	0.58	0.64	0.44	0.57	0.52
June	0.53	0.81	0.53	0.31	0.62	0.47	0.58	0.64	0.41	0.57	0.51
<b>1998-1999</b>											
September	0.53	0.78	0.57	0.35	0.65	0.48	0.58	0.65	0.49	0.58	0.51
December	0.56	0.78	0.57	0.36	0.64	0.46	0.60	0.63	0.44	0.58	0.51
March	0.53	0.76	0.62	0.33	0.68	0.46	0.61	0.62	0.41	0.58	0.52
June	0.59	0.76	0.58	0.29	0.68	0.46	0.62	0.66	0.41	0.60	0.53
<b>1999-2000</b>											
September	0.62	0.74	0.56	0.29	0.68	0.42	0.59	0.72	0.47	0.61	0.53
December	0.56	0.78	0.53	0.28	0.69	0.42	0.56	0.76	0.43	0.60	0.53

(a) Seasonally adjusted series.

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