

Highlights of Labs Tests In the Last 6 Months



The following stats and highlighted details per work area for the last 12 months:

Bitumen



The total tests: 3.147



The total mass of bitumen tested:

907 kg



Tests of note:

Several LDPE & HDPE plastic bitumen blends manufactured

A significant amount of Crumb rubber blends manufactured

Federally funded spray seal binder aging study utilising portable Fourier Transform Infrared spectroscopy

Long term monitoring of two interstate spray seal trials

Comparative binder testing between Australian and US methods

Research work anchoring the development into future Australian test methods

A significant amount of specification testing to AS 2008 & AGPT/T190/ATS 3110

Asphalt



The total tests: 1,780



The total mass of asphalt produced supplied 3,959 kg 594 kg



Tests of note

LDPE plastic in asphalt tested for performance characteristics

100% recyclable asphalt tested for performance characteristics

198 asphalt beams tested for flexural stiffness and fatigue

A significant amount of crumb rubber asphalt manufactured and tested for performance characteristics

Pavements



The total tests: 4,574



The total mass of pavement tested: 39,703 kg



Tests of note:

14 combinations of recycled material (crushed glass, crushed brick, crushed concrete) tested for deformation

335 FBS beams manufactured

404 FBS beams tested for flexural stiffness, fatique and strength

Research work into the development into future Australian test methods for granular pavements



The total number of tests: 9,501

The total mass of material tested: 45,163 kg

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