The theme of Volume 3 is 'Producers and Markets'. 'Production' is here understood as including all aspects involved in the bringing-into-being of a popular musical work – including the part played by 'markets'. Thus this issue forms a twin with the more overtly consumption-centred theme of Volume 4, 'Performers and Audiences'. Several articles deal with institutions concerned in production, and their ideologies – some in general, some in specific countries – while others focus more on the processes involved, technological, sociological, political and musical, and the nature of their effects on the products. The contemporary or recent situation receives most attention, but a few contributors discuss examples drawn from the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. The review section contains reviews of over forty recent books by an international team of reviewers, while the Booklist provides an annotated bibliography of nearly three hundred books on popular music published in 1982/3.

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