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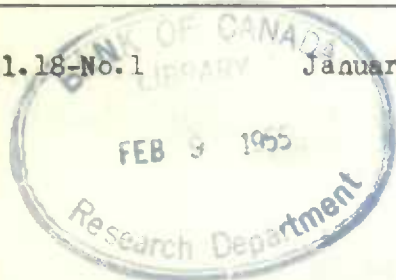
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Steel Ingots and Pig Iron (Formerly Entitled "Steel Ingots")

Production of steel ingots in Canada during January, 1955, amounted to 311,007 net tons compared with 290,487 net tons in January, 1954.

Pig iron production was 199,401 net tons in January, 1955, compared with 214,999 net tons in the corresponding month of last year.

Table 1 - Production of Steel Ingots and Pig Iron, 1945-1954

Year	Steel ingots (Net tons)	Pig iron (Net tons)	Year	Steel ingots (Net tons)	Pig iron (Net tons)
1945	2,575,149	1,777,949	1950	3,298,071	2,317,121
1946	2,251,741	1,406,252	1951	3,447,152	2,552,893
1947	2,854,779	1,962,848	1952	3,577,758	2,681,585
1948	3,087,063	2,125,739	1953	4,009,813	3,012,266
1949	3,095,626	2,154,485	1954	3,113,822	2,213,433

Table 2 - Production of Steel Ingots and Pig Iron, By Months, 1954 and 1955

	Steel ingots		Pig iron	
	1954	1955	1954	1955
	(Net tons)			
January	290,487	311,007	214,999	199,401
February	258,765		182,050	
March	240,515		200,763	
April	247,372		194,307	
May	252,988		178,742	
June	264,470		167,211	
July	255,328		174,403	
August	235,984		166,580	
September	241,553		156,373	
October	274,421		181,895	
November	282,110		210,476	
December	269,329		185,634	
Total	3,113,822		2,213,433	

NOTE: (1) The January 1, 1954, rated ingot capacity of Canada's steel furnaces was 4,657,500 net tons per annum.

(2) Figures for the current month are preliminary and subject to review.

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