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**STEEL INGOTS AND PIG IRON**  
(Formerly Entitled "Steel Ingots")

Production of steel ingots in Canada during December, 1955, amounted to 415,091 net tons compared with 269,329 net tons in December, 1954.

Pig iron production was 281,896 net tons in December, 1955, compared with 185,634 net tons in the corresponding month of last year.

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

Year	Steel ingots	Pig iron	Year	Steel ingots	Pig iron
	(Net tons)			(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 .....	230,487	310,853	214,999	199,464
February .....	258,765	314,657	182,050	215,075
March .....	240,515	376,866	200,763	275,729
April .....	247,872	353,377	194,307	272,187
May .....	252,988	371,808	178,742	284,076
June .....	264,470	381,367	167,211	275,049
July .....	255,328	355,190	174,403	266,795
August .....	235,984	379,678	166,580	288,864
September .....	241,553	367,005	156,373	276,795
October .....	274,421	409,466	181,895	293,423
November .....	282,110	406,772	210,476	284,372
December .....	269,329	415,091	185,634	281,896
Total .....	3,113,822	4,442,130	2,213,433	3,213,725

**NOTE:** (1) The January 1, 1955, rated ingot capacity of Canada's steel furnaces was 4,883,000 net tons per annum.  
(2) Figures for the current month are preliminary and subject to revision.

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