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

Production of steel ingots in Canada during September, 1955, amounted to 367,550 net tons compared with 241,553 net tons in September, 1954.

Pig iron production was 276,533 net tons in September, 1955, compared with 156,373 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 (Net tons)		Pig iron (Net tons)	
	1954	1955	1954	1955
January	290,487	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	379,679	166,580	288,864
September	241,553	367,550	156,373	276,533
Total nine months	2,287,962	3,211,347	1,635,428	2,353,772
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, 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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