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

Production of steel ingots in Canada during January, 1956, amounted to 422,940 net tons compared with 310,853 net tons in January, 1955.

Pig iron production was 285,473 net tons in January, 1956, compared with 199,464 net tons in the corresponding month of last year.

Table 1 - Production of Steel Ingots and Pig Iron, 1946-1955

Year	Steel ingots (Net tons)	Pig iron (Net tons)	Year	Steel ingots (Net tons)	Pig iron (Net tons)
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
1950	3,298,071	2,317,121	1955	4,441,743	3,213,764

Table 2 - Production of Steel Ingots and Pig Iron, By Months, 1954, 1955 and 1956

	Steel ingots			Pig iron		
	1954	1955	1956	1954	1955	1956
	(Net tons)					
January	290,487	310,853	422,940	214,999	199,464	285,473
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	414,704		185,634	281,935	
Total	3,113,822	4,441,743		2,213,433	3,213,764	

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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