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PRODUCTION OF PIG IRON AND STEEL

Production of pig iron in Canada amounted to 194,307 net tons in April, 1954, compared with 241,583 tons in the corresponding month of last year. Production of steel ingots and steel castings during April totalled 255,796 net tons compared with 362,291 tons in April of last year.

Table	1 -	Product	tion of	Pig	Iron

able I - Production of Pig Iron			a contrador.	
	April	April		
	1953	1964		
	(Net tons of	(Net tons of 2,000 pounds)		
Pig iron -	0.1			
Basic	214,041	136,381		
Foundry	4,465	25,167		
Malleable	23,077	32,759		
Total pig iron	241,583	194,307		
able 2 - Production of Steel Ingots and Steel	Castings			
	April	April		
	1953	1954		
	(Net tons of	(Net tons of 2,000 pounds)		
Steel ingots				
pen hearth - basic	309,199	216,619		
lectric	42,708	31,253		
Total steel ingots	351,907	247,872		
lloy steel ingots included in above	21,252	6,592		
Steel castings				
pen hearth - basic	2,938	2,404		
onverter	41	3		
lectric	7,405	5,517		
Total steel castings	10,384	7,924		
lloy steel castings included in above:				
(i) High alloy, except manganese and				
abrasion resistant	303	408		
(ii) High alloy, manganese and abrasion				
resistant	1,389	940		
(iii) All other alloys	942	810		
Total alloy steel castings	2,634	2,158		

Note: High alloy castings include all castings with any alloy content of eight per cent and over.

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Table 3 - Production of Pig Iron

	Four months ended April	
	1953	1954
Pig iron -	(Net tons of 2,000 pounds)	
Basic	780,537	612,342
Foundry	69,701	73,843
Malleable	99,705	105,934
Totel pig iron	949,943	792,119

Table 4 - Production of Steel Ingots and Steel Castings

	Four months ended April	
	1953	1954
Steel ingots	(Net tons of	2,000 pounds)
Open hearth - basic	1,197,624 167,129	916,104 121,535
Total steel ingots	1,364,753	1,037,639
Alloy steel ingots included in above	80,028	43,520
Steel castings		
Open hearth - basic	7,563 192	9,132 12
Electric	26,458	24,114
Total steel castings	37,223	33,258
Alloy steel castings included in above: (i) High alloy, except manganese and		
abrasion resistant	387	1,402
resistant	4,797	3,209
(iii) All other alloys	3,580	3,423
Total alloy steel castings	8,764	8,034

Note: High alloy castings include all castings with any alloy content of eight per cent and over.