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PRODUCTION OF PIG IRON AND STEEL

Production of pig iron in Canada amounted to 266,795 net tons in July, 1955, compared with 174,403 tons in the corresponding month of last year. Production of steel ingots and steel castings during July totalled 360,765 net tons, compared with 260,454 tons in July of last year.

Table 1 - Production of Pig Iron

	July		Seven months ended July	
	1954	1955	1954	1955
	(Net tons of 2,000 pounds)			
Pig iron -				
Basic	144,000	208,287	1,034,389	1,478,079
Foundry (including silvery pig)	1,864	9,442	98,935	86,503
Malleable	28,539	49,066	179,151	223,793
Total pig iron	174,403	266,795	1,312,475	1,788,375
Stocks of pig iron on hand at the end of the month	177,579	165,389		

Table 2 - Production of Steel Ingots and Steel Castings

	July		Seven months ended July	
	1954	1955	1954	1955
	(Net tons of 2,000 pounds)			
<u>Steel ingots</u>				
Open hearth - basic	227,511	315,546	1,590,477	2,187,734
Electric	27,817	39,644	219,948	276,384
Total steel ingots	255,328	355,190	1,810,425	2,464,118
Alloy steel ingots included in above	5,912	12,634	71,934	114,361
<u>Steel castings</u>				
Open hearth - basic	972	1,410	14,655	15,859
Converter	24	24	58	52
Electric	4,130	4,141	38,557	32,300
Total steel castings	5,126	5,575	53,270	48,211
Alloy steel castings included in above:				
(1) High alloy, except manganese and abrasion resistant	170	180	2,180	1,327
(2) High alloy, manganese and abrasion resistant	751	883	5,618	7,546
(3) All other alloys	509	342	5,453	2,838
Total alloy steel castings	1,430	1,405	13,251	11,711

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

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