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STEEL WIRE AND SPECIFIED WIRE PRODUCTSMAY, 1949

Shipments of steel wire by Canadian producers amounted to 9,553 tons in May, 1949, compared with 10,651 tons in the corresponding month of 1948. This month's total included 5,551 tons of plain wire, 2,415 tons of galvanized wire, 219 tons of other coated wire, 1,149 tons of barbed wire and 219 tons of cold rolled flat wire.

Producers' shipments of wire fencing in the current month were higher than in May of last year, the amounts being 3,083 tons and 2,747 tons respectively, and the shipments of steel wire nails were up slightly to 8,735 tons from 8,161 tons in May, 1948.

Table 1 - Production in Canada of Steel Wire and Specified Wire Products, May, 1949
with Comparative Totals for May, 1948

		May, 1948		May, 1949	
		Tonnage made	Tonnage shipped	Tonnage made	Tonnage shipped
		(Tons of 2,000 pounds)			
<u>Steel Wire -</u>					
Plain		21,039	6,168	22,315	5,551
Galvanized		5,890	3,026	5,969	2,415
Other coated		256	209	274	219
Barbed		1,000	1,248	1,207	1,149
Cold rolled flat wire of all sizes, qualities and finishes		Not Available		260	219
<u>Wire Fencing -</u>					
Woven wire farm fencing		2,063	2,421	2,131	2,634
Woven wire lawn fencing		154	184	156	234
Woven wire chain link fabric (including tonnage used in industrial fencing) ...		123	142	190	215
<u>Nails, Tacks and Staples -</u>					
Wire nails, iron and steel		6,590	8,161	8,124	8,735
Cut nails, iron and steel		92	97	94	106
Wire staples, steel		143	111	172	193
Tacks of steel, brass and copper		195	149	146	145
Nails, aluminum		51	67	56	55

Table 2 - Production in Canada of Steel Wire and Specified Wire Products, Five Months Ended May, 1949, with Comparative Totals for Corresponding Period, 1948

	Five Months Ended		Five Months Ended	
	May, 1948		May, 1949	
	Tonnage made	Tonnage shipped	Tonnage made	Tonnage shipped
	(Tons of 2,000 pounds)			
<u>Steel Wire -</u>				
Plain	103,266	27,470	111,015	30,430
Galvanized	28,783	12,583	29,538	12,634
Other coated	1,449	1,212	1,503	1,136
Barbed	4,678	5,025	5,288	5,681
Cold rolled flat wire of all sizes, qualities and finishes	Not Available		1,038	937
<u>Wire Fencing -</u>				
Woven wire farm fencing	10,502	12,172	10,130	12,324
Woven wire lawn fencing	623	588	872	968
Woven wire chain link fabric (including tonnage used in industrial fencing) ...	391	456	621	692
<u>Nails, Tacks and Staples -</u>				
Wire nails, iron and steel	33,393	34,931	37,058	38,345
Cut nails, iron and steel	380	392	484	470
Wire staples, steel	685	734	846	897
Tacks of steel, brass and copper	1,149	906	822	621
Nails, aluminum	197	254	171	173

Table 3 - Imports into Canada of Steel Wire and Specified Wire Products, May, 1949 and Five Months Ended May, 1949

<u>I t e m</u>	May, 1949		Five Months Ended May, 1949	
	Pounds	\$	Pounds	\$
Wire of steel, drawn flat or cold rolled flat after drawing, not more than .25 inch in width and less than .1875 inch in thickness, coated or not, n.o.p.	57,100	8,332	340,100	56,616
Wire of iron or steel, coated with zinc, n.o.p.	413,500	35,617	921,300	95,161
Wire of steel, valued at not less than $2\frac{3}{4}$ cents per pound, for the manufacture of wire rope	2,257,000	232,767	19,963,200	2,088,217
Wire of steel, single, not covered, in coils, for fishing operations, n.o.p. ..	...	423	...	3,272
Wire of rust or acid resisting steel, twisted or stranded, for commercial fishing operations .....	...	530	...	10,221
Wire, steel, for the manufacture of fencing	579,200	33,539	2,196,700	123,133
Wire of iron or steel, n.o.p.	2,417,600	169,475	13,808,100	1,076,085
Barbed wire fencing	156,200	13,098	309,600	23,087

Date		Description		Amount	
1917	Jan 1	Balance		100.00	
1917	Jan 15	Interest		5.00	
1917	Feb 1	Interest		5.00	
1917	Feb 15	Interest		5.00	
1917	Mar 1	Interest		5.00	
1917	Mar 15	Interest		5.00	
1917	Apr 1	Interest		5.00	
1917	Apr 15	Interest		5.00	
1917	May 1	Interest		5.00	
1917	May 15	Interest		5.00	
1917	Jun 1	Interest		5.00	
1917	Jun 15	Interest		5.00	
1917	Jul 1	Interest		5.00	
1917	Jul 15	Interest		5.00	
1917	Aug 1	Interest		5.00	
1917	Aug 15	Interest		5.00	
1917	Sep 1	Interest		5.00	
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1917	Oct 15	Interest		5.00	
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1917	Total			100.00	

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1917	Nov 1	Interest		5.00	
1917	Nov 15	Interest		5.00	
1917	Dec 1	Interest		5.00	
1917	Dec 15	Interest		5.00	
1917	Total			100.00	

Table 3 - Imports into Canada of Steel Wire and Specified Wire Products, May, 1949 and Five Months Ended May, 1949 (Concluded)

Item (Concluded)	May, 1949		Five Months Ended May, 1949	
	Pounds	\$	Pounds	\$
Woven or welded wire fencing, from wire not more than .144 inch and not less than .080 inch in diameter ...	14,182		51,755	
Woven or welded wire fencing, coated or not, n.o.p.	14,280		168,016	
Cut nails 45,900	3,584		779,500	66,015
Tacks of all kinds 923	411		10,402	5,466
Wire nails over 1" and wire roofing nails of all sizes 3,419,200	243,033		9,057,400	836,519
Nails and brads, other 53,983	12,152		297,038	80,149

Note: "n.o.p." means "not otherwise provided for" in the statistical classification.

Table 4 - Exports from Canada of Steel Wire and Specified Wire Products, May, 1949 and Five Months Ended May, 1949

I t e m	May, 1949		Five Months Ended May, 1949	
	Pounds	\$	Pounds	\$
Barbed wire .....	...	...	1,000	97
Other wire of iron and steel .	...	1,715	...	9,736
Woven wire fencing .....	...	225	...	992
Wire nails .....	...	...	924,200	100,169
Tacks	129,400	27,754	342,300	72,464
Nails and brads, other	5,900	1,065	17,400	2,681

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