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STEEL WIRE AND SPECIFIED WIRE PRODUCTS

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Shipments of steel wire by Canadian producers amounted to 9,542 tons in November, 1952 compared with 11,105 tons in the corresponding month of 1951. This month's total included 6,640 tons of plain wire, 2,541 tons of galvanized wire, 186 tons of other coated wire, 84 tons of barbed wire and 91 tons of cold rolled flat wire.

Producers' shipments of wire fencing in the current month were lower than in November of last year, the amounts being 849 tons and 1,162 tons respectively and the shipments of steel wire nails were down to 4,983 tons from 8,210 tons in November, 1951.

Table 1 - Production and Shipments of Steel Wire and Specified Wire Products

	<u>November - 1951</u>		<u>November - 1952</u>	
	<u>Tonnage made</u>	<u>Tonnage shipped</u>	<u>Tonnage made</u>	<u>Tonnage shipped</u>
	(Tons of 2,000 pounds)			
<u>Steel Wire -</u>				
Plain	26,969	7,188	20,524	6,640
Galvanized	6,309	2,840	4,664	2,541
Other coated	190	188	239	186
Barbed	1,034	750	457	84
Cold rolled flat wire of all sizes, qualities and finishes	275	139	234	91
<u>Wire Rope -</u>				
Steel wire rope	1,782	2,019	1,542	1,605
Clothesline wire	100	129	141	114
Other stranded wire (including multiple strand wire)	445	489	572	599
<u>Wire Fencing -</u>				
Woven wire farm fencing	1,400	815	1,080	517
Woven wire lawn fencing	139	76	61	59
Woven wire chain link fabric (including tonnage used in industrial fencing) ..	424	271	304	273
<u>Nails, Tacks and Staples -</u>				
Wire nails, iron and steel	8,469	8,210	5,912	4,983
Cut nails, iron and steel	96	76	25	39
Wire staples, steel	238	153	80	71
Tacks of steel, brass and copper	138	105	118	110
Nails, aluminum	36	24	14	11

Table 2 - Production and Shipments of Steel Wire and Specified Wire Products

	Eleven months ended		Eleven months ended	
	November - 1951		November - 1952	
	Tonnage made	Tonnage shipped	Tonnage made	Tonnage shipped
	(Tons of 2,000 pounds)			
<u>Steel Wire -</u>				
Plain	265,430	71,686	259,838	78,356
Galvanized	61,679	27,069	62,538	29,191
Other coated	2,197	1,968	1,898	1,612
Barbed	9,991	9,998	9,248	8,609
Cold rolled flat wire of all sizes, qualities and finishes	3,387	1,674	2,681	1,235
<u>Wire Rope -</u>				
Steel wire rope	18,080	20,514	19,815	20,614
Clothesline wire	785	849	931	931
Other stranded wire	4,733	4,769	6,487	6,930
<u>Wire Fencing -</u>				
Woven wire farm fencing	15,618	16,600	15,006	15,336
Woven wire lawn fencing	1,411	1,266	1,078	1,157
Woven wire chain link fabric (including tonnage used in industrial fencing) ..	3,365	3,115	3,246	2,872
<u>Nails, Tacks and Staples -</u>				
Wire nails, iron and steel	82,863	82,009	76,703	75,834
Cut nails, iron and steel	1,280	1,278	483	562
Wire staples, steel	1,671	1,844	1,583	1,587
Tacks of steel, brass and copper	1,387	1,313	1,152	1,180
Nails, aluminum	418	400	146	142

Table 3 - Imports of Steel Wire and Specified Wire Products

Item	November, 1952		Eleven months ended	
	November - 1952		November - 1952	
	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.	50,800	10,564	247,400	57,162
Wire of iron or steel, coated with zinc, n.o.p.	124,500	14,208	3,016,800	339,925
Wire of steel, valued at not less than 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ cents per pound, for the manufacture of wire rope	3,326,000	387,671	52,634,000	5,992,129
Wire, steel, single or several coated, n.o.p., or covered with any material ...	117,200	18,953	1,084,700	284,380
Wire, steel, twisted, braided or stranded, including wire rope or cable, coated or not, n.o.p.	517,700	97,150	8,124,500	1,459,594
Wire for upholstery springs	1,140,400	80,772	5,524,900	394,199
Wire for corset steels or dress stays	14,100	5,310	108,200	35,852

Table 3 - Imports of Steel Wire and Specified Wire Products (Concluded)

Item	November, 1952		Eleven months ended November - 1952	
	Pounds	\$	Pounds	\$
Wire for the manufacture of machine card clothing	2,100	1,007	18,200	5,976
Wire of steel, single, not covered in coils, for fishing operations, n.o.p. ..	...	...	...	5,260
Wire of rust or acid resisting steel, twisted or stranded, for commercial fishing operations .....	...	717	...	9,186
Wire, steel, for the manufacture of fencing	110,800	9,021	721,900	57,067
Wire of iron or steel, n.o.p.	2,025,500	194,384	20,936,700	1,910,319
Barbed wire fencing	44,100	3,929	202,100	14,262
Woven or welded wire fencing, from wire not more than .144 inch and not less than .080 inch in diameter .....	...	...	...	18,123
Woven or welded wire fencing, coated or not, n.o.p. ....	...	10,330	...	121,738
Cut nails	21,600	2,832	110,100	21,896
Tacks of all kinds	2,131	417	30,049	10,207
Wire nails over 1" and wire roofing nails of all sizes	111,900	12,483	7,974,800	622,579
Nails and brads	16,295	5,903	272,308	80,238

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

Table 4 - Exports of Steel Wire and Specified Wire Products

Item	November, 1952		Eleven months ended November - 1952	
	Pounds	\$	Pounds	\$
Barbed wire .....	...	...	1,800	187
Other wire of iron and steel .....	...	22,761	...	303,531
Woven wire fencing .....	...	...	...	1,854
Wire nails	2,100	289	228,100	18,369
Tacks	117,500	28,048	923,200	215,794
Nails and brads, other	10,200	1,414	82,200	12,304



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