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## STEEL WIRE AND SPECIFIED WIRE PRODUCTS

MAY - 1952

Shipments of steel wire by Canadian producers amounted to 11,416 tons in May, 1952 compared with 11,066 tons in the corresponding month of 1951. This month's total included 7,121 tons of plain wire, 2,840 tons of galvanized wire, 140 tons of other coated wire, 1,126 tons of barbed wire and 189 tons of cold rolled flat wire.

Producers' shipments of wire fencing in the current month were lower than in May of last year, the amounts being 2,645 tons and 2,673 tons respectively and the shipments of steel wire nails were down to 8,310 tons from 8,368 tons in May, 1951.

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

	<u>May - 1951</u>		<u>May - 1952</u>	
	<u>Tonnage</u> <u>made</u>	<u>Tonnage</u> <u>shipped</u>	<u>Tonnage</u> <u>made</u>	<u>Tonnage</u> <u>shipped</u>
	(Tons of 2,000 pounds)			
<u>Steel Wire -</u>				
Plain .....	26,267	7,066	26,340	7,121
Galvanized .....	6,074	2,823	6,499	2,840
Other coated .....	245	201	158	140
Barbed .....	860	797	1,123	1,126
Cold rolled flat wire of all sizes, qualities and finishes .....	387	179	255	189
<u>Wire Rope -</u>				
Steel wire rope .....	1,829	2,194	2,094	2,107
Clothesline wire .....	73	111	82	95
Other stranded wire (including multiple strand wire) .....	608	615	671	712
<u>Wire Fencing -</u>				
Woven wire farm fencing .....	1,741	2,091	1,600	2,085
Woven wire lawn fencing .....	198	248	197	228
Woven wire chain link fabric (including tonnage used in industrial fencing) ..	312	334	263	332
<u>Nails, Tacks and Staples -</u>				
Wire nails, iron and steel .....	8,233	8,368	7,798	8,310
Cut nails, iron and steel .....	151	227	63	67
Wire staples, steel .....	190	283	162	265
Tacks of steel, brass and copper .....	122	145	120	124
Nails, aluminum .....	59	57	9	13



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

	Five months ended		Five months ended	
	May, 1951		May, 1952	
	Tonnage made	Tonnage shipped	Tonnage made	Tonnage shipped
	(Tons of 2,000 pounds)			
<u>Steel Wire -</u>				
Plain .....	122,658	33,969	129,859	37,620
Galvanized .....	28,771	12,246	32,176	13,564
Other coated .....	1,058	924	962	854
Barbed .....	4,705	5,145	5,013	5,462
Cold rolled flat wire of all sizes, qualities and finishes .....	1,747	877	1,399	713
<u>Wire Rope -</u>				
Steel wire rope .....	8,696	9,771	10,618	10,859
Clothesline wire .....	340	362	423	458
Other stranded wire .....	2,403	2,165	3,322	3,538
<u>Wire Fencing -</u>				
Woven wire farm fencing .....	7,812	10,260	8,345	10,194
Woven wire lawn fencing .....	841	915	716	866
Woven wire chain link fabric (including tonnage used in industrial fencing) ..	1,334	1,299	1,335	1,361
<u>Nails, Tacks and Staples -</u>				
Wire nails, iron and steel .....	37,297	36,903	38,980	37,408
Cut nails, iron and steel .....	592	703	269	293
Wire staples, steel .....	710	868	850	880
Tacks of steel, brass and copper .....	663	701	531	569
Nails, aluminum .....	244	232	73	67

Table 3 - Imports of Steel Wire and Specified Wire Products

Item	May - 1952		Five months ended	
	May, 1952		May, 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. ....	15,200	3,507	99,100	27,056
Wire of iron or steel, coated with zinc, n.o.p. ....	623,500	59,300	1,740,900	181,204
Wire of steel, valued at not less than 2½ cents per pound, for the manufacture of wire rope .....	5,721,100	632,336	33,170,900	3,768,779
Wire, steel, single or several coated, n.o.p., or covered with any material ...	94,700	44,844	520,900	141,334
Wire, steel, twisted, braided or stranded, including wire rope or cable, coated or not, n.o.p. ....	765,800	139,574	4,143,600	787,673
Wire for upholstery springs .....	412,300	27,443	2,520,500	179,852
Wire for corset steels or dress stays ....	1,500	930	41,000	13,084

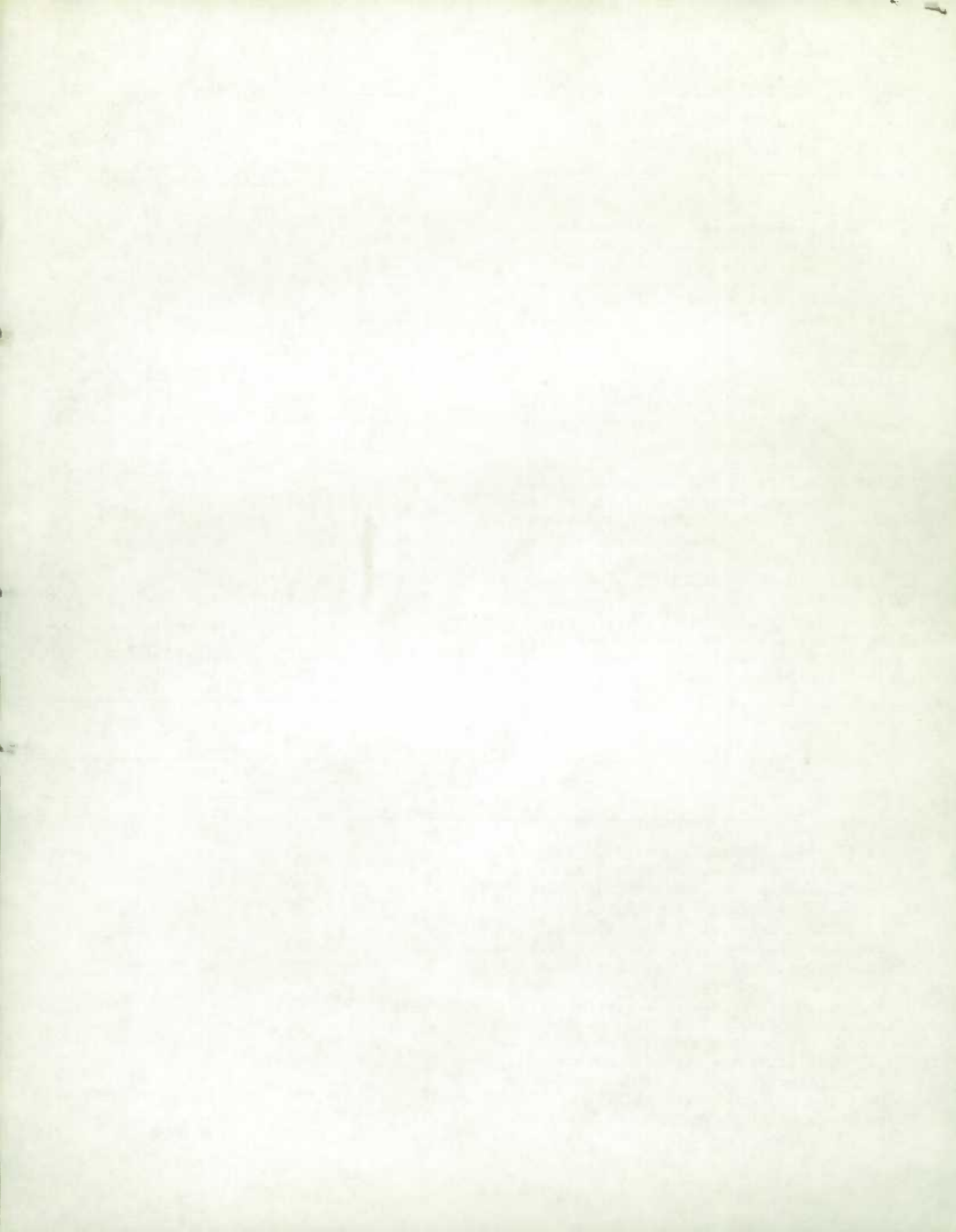


Table 3 - Imports of Steel Wire and Specified Wire Products (Concluded)

Item	May - 1952		Five months ended May, 1952	
	Pounds	\$	Pounds	\$
Wire for the manufacture of machine card clothing .....	3,300	1,010	8,400	2,695
Wire of steel, single, not covered in coils, for fishing operations, n.o.p. ..	...	352	...	3,435
Wire of rust or acid resisting steel, twisted or stranded, for commercial fishing operations .....	...	1,617	...	8,469
Wire, steel, for the manufacture of fencing .....	281,300	20,583	523,700	40,901
Wire of iron or steel, n.o.p. ....	2,345,200	191,155	12,452,400	1,082,851
Barbed wire fencing .....	15,000	861	16,600	940
Woven or welded wire fencing, from wire not more than .144 inch and not less than .080 inch in diameter .....	...	11,483	...	17,074
Woven or welded wire fencing, coated or not, n.o.p. ....	...	13,541	...	80,084
Cut nails .....	2,400	354	60,700	13,341
Tacks of all kinds .....	3,171	1,014	15,161	5,952
Wire nails over 1" and wire roofing nails of all sizes .....	644,800	53,565	5,468,200	414,698
Nails and brads .....	22,150	7,505	126,546	36,393

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

Table 4 - Exports of Steel Wire and Specified Wire Products

Item	May - 1952		Five months ended May, 1952	
	Pounds	\$	Pounds	\$
Barbed wire .....	...	...	1,200	101
Other wire of iron and steel .....	...	20,314	...	126,126
Woven wire fencing .....	...	174	...	649
Wire nails .....	104,100	8,146	213,700	17,016
Tacks .....	114,100	28,372	513,700	119,576
Nails and brads, other .....	4,400	682	46,300	6,407

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