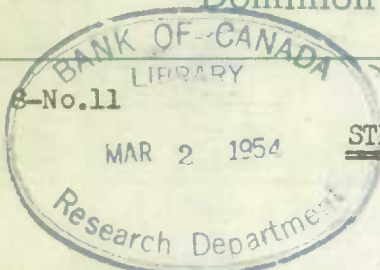


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STEEL WIRE AND SPECIFIED WIRE PRODUCTS

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Shipments of steel wire by Canadian producers amounted to 9,665 tons in November, 1953, compared with 9,542 tons in the corresponding month of 1952. This month's total included 6,807 tons of plain wire, 2,543 tons of galvanized wire, 143 tons of other coated wire, 66 tons of barbed wire and 106 tons of cold rolled flat wire.

Producers' shipments of wire fencing in the current month were higher than in November of last year, the amounts being 932 tons and 849 tons respectively, and the shipments of steel wire nails were up to 5,923 tons from 4,983 tons in November of 1952.

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

| | STATISTICS CANADA | STATISTIQUE CANADA | November, 1952 | | November, 1953 | |
|---|----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| | | | Tonnage made | Tonnage shipped | Tonnage made | Tonnage shipped |
| | | | (Tons of 2,000 pounds) | | | |
| <u>Steel wire -</u> | | | | | | |
| Plain | | | 20,524 | 6,640 | 22,793 | 6,807 |
| Galvanized | | | 4,664 | 2,541 | 4,535 | 2,543 |
| Other coated | | | 239 | 186 | 219 | 143 |
| Barbed | | | 457 | 84 | 301 | 66 |
| Cold rolled flat wire of all sizes, qualities and finishes | | | 234 | 91 | 272 | 106 |
| <u>Wire rope -</u> | | | | | | |
| Steel wire rope | | | 1,773* | 1,846* | 1,631 | 1,772 |
| Clothesline wire | | | 60 | 52 | 119 | 86 |
| Other stranded wire (includ- ing multiple strand wire) | | | 653 | 661 | 675 | 709 |
| <u>Wire fencing -</u> | | | | | | |
| Woven wire farm fencing | | | 1,080 | 517 | 950 | 460 |
| Woven wire lawn fencing | | | 61 | 59 | 137 | 114 |
| Woven wire chain link fabric (including tonnage used in industrial fencing) | | | 304 | 273 | 391 | 358 |
| <u>Nails, Tacks and Staples -</u> | | | | | | |
| Wire nails, iron and steel | | | 5,912 | 4,983 | 7,021 | 5,923 |
| Cut nails, iron and steel | | | 25 | 39 | 58 | 44 |
| Wire staples, steel | | | 80 | 71 | 104 | 43 |
| Tacks of steel, brass and copper | | | 118 | 110 | 87 | 216 |
| Nails, aluminum | | | 14 | 11 | 8 | 5 |

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Table 2 - Production and Shipments of Steel Wire and Specified Wire Products, Eleven Months Ended November, 1952 and 1953

| | Eleven months ended November, 1952 | | Eleven months ended November, 1953 | |
|---|---------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------|
| | Tonnage made | Tonnage shipped | Tonnage made | Tonnage shipped |
| | (Tons of 2,000 pounds) | | | |
| <u>Steel wire -</u> | | | | |
| Plain | 259,838 | 78,356 | 231,328 | 74,272 |
| Galvanized | 62,538 | 29,191 | 50,001 | 22,324 |
| Other coated | 1,898 | 1,612 | 1,845 | 1,669 |
| Barbed | 9,248 | 8,609 | 6,875 | 7,224 |
| Cold rolled flat wire of all sizes, qualities and finishes . | 2,681 | 1,235 | 2,303 | 1,285 |
| <u>Wire rope -</u> | | | | |
| Steel wire rope | 22,787* | 23,706* | 17,474 | 19,687 |
| Clothesline wire | 769 | 807 | 890 | 843 |
| Other stranded wire (including multiple strand wire) | 6,649 | 7,054 | 6,114 | 6,614 |
| <u>Wire fencing -</u> | | | | |
| Woven wire farm fencing | 15,006 | 15,336 | 11,575 | 12,081 |
| Woven wire lawn fencing | 1,078 | 1,157 | 1,448 | 1,429 |
| Woven wire chain link fabric (including tonnage used in industrial fencing) | 3,246 | 2,872 | 3,873 | 3,454 |
| <u>Nails, Tacks and Staples -</u> | | | | |
| Wire nails, iron and steel | 76,703 | 75,834 | 65,448 | 67,527 |
| Cut nails, iron and steel | 483 | 562 | 658 | 1,015 |
| Wire staples, steel | 1,583 | 1,587 | 1,618 | 1,541 |
| Tacks of steel, brass and copper | 1,152 | 1,180 | 1,100 | 1,195 |
| Nails, aluminum | 146 | 142 | 84 | 87 |

* - Revised.

Table 3 - Imports of Steel Wire and Specified Wire Products

| Item | October, 1953 | | Ten months ended October, 1953 | |
|--|---------------|---------|-----------------------------------|-----------|
| | 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. | 98,600 | 18,469 | 621,400 | 117,795 |
| Wire of iron or steel, coated with zinc, n.o.p. | 96,600 | 14,616 | 1,254,700 | 197,020 |
| Wire of steel, valued at not less than 2 3/4 cents per pound, for the manufacture of wire rope | 1,668,700 | 194,339 | 25,010,700 | 2,880,591 |
| Wire, steel, single or several coated, n.o.p., or covered with any material | 86,200 | 16,214 | 1,072,300 | 275,168 |

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

| Item | October, 1953 | | Ten months ended October, 1953 | |
|---|---------------|---------|-----------------------------------|-----------|
| | Pounds | \$ | Pounds | \$ |
| Wire, steel, twisted, braided or stranded, including wire rope or cable, coated or not, n.o.p. | 1,042,900 | 116,783 | 7,208,300 | 1,133,539 |
| Wire for upholstery springs | 113,400 | 9,142 | 8,968,900 | 649,432 |
| Wire for corset steels or dress stays | 24,400 | 9,972 | 239,100 | 93,396 |
| Wire for the manufacture of machine card clothing | 1,700 | 555 | 30,600 | 12,835 |
| Wire of steel, single, not covered, in coils, for fishing operations, n.o.p. | - | 3,102 | - | 60,299 |
| Wire of rust or acid resisting steel, twisted or stranded, for commercial fishing operations | - | 280 | - | 9,899 |
| Wire, steel, for the manufacture of fencing | 56,500 | 5,048 | 1,616,500 | 122,981 |
| Wire of iron or steel, n.o.p. | 788,500 | 119,175 | 12,268,800 | 1,293,927 |
| Barbed wire fencing | 147,300 | 10,180 | 3,047,600 | 217,288 |
| Woven or welded wire fencing, from wire not more than .144 inch and not less than .080 inch in diameter | - | - | - | 29,374 |
| Woven or welded wire fencing, coated or not, n.o.p. | - | 3,491 | - | 170,114 |
| Cut nails | 19,400 | 5,725 | 336,000 | 48,018 |
| Tacks of all kinds | 6,457 | 2,108 | 40,113 | 14,577 |
| Wire nails over 1" and wire roofing nails of all sizes | 1,134,400 | 91,372 | 6,830,700 | 531,302 |
| Nails and brads | 60,944 | 11,770 | 297,988 | 75,180 |

Note: "n.o.p." means "not otherwise provided for" in the statistical classification.
Data on imports during November are not yet available.

Table 4 - Exports of Steel Wire and Specified Wire Products

| Item | November, 1953 | | Eleven months ended November, 1953 | |
|------------------------------------|----------------|--------|---------------------------------------|---------|
| | Pounds | \$ | Pounds | \$ |
| Barbed wire | - | - | 900 | 44 |
| Other wire of iron and steel | - | 5,812 | - | 491,681 |
| Woven wire fencing | - | 75 | - | 9,772 |
| Wire nails | - | - | 12,400 | 1,497 |
| Tacks | 82,300 | 16,581 | 515,600 | 115,026 |
| Nails and brads, other | 1,400 | 419 | 40,800 | 6,472 |



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