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STEEL WIRE AND SPECIFIED WIRE PRODUCTS

Shipments of steel wire by Canadian producers amounted to 10,352 tons in June, 1954, compared with 11,115 tons in the corresponding month of 1953. This month's total included 6,305 tons of plain wire, 2,695 tons of galvanized wire, 102 tons of other coated wire, 1,165 tons of barbed wire and 85 tons of cold rolled flat wire.

Producers' shipments of wire fencing in the current month were lower than in June of last year, the amounts being 2,335 tons and 2,339 tons respectively, and the shipments of steel wire nails were up to 7,512 tons from 6,685 tons in June, 1953.

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

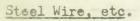
STATISTICS STATISTIQUE CANADA CANADA	June, 1953		June, 1954	
	Tonnage made	Tonnage shipped	Tonnage made	Tonnage shipped
		(Tons of 2,	000 pounds)	
Steel wire - A 8 18 1987 Plain Galvanized Other coated	22,352 4,030 187 750	8,203 1,650 173 942	24,236 6,285 151 1,094	6,305 2,695 102 1,165
Wire fencing - Woven wire farm fencing Woven wire lawn fencing Woven wire chain link fabric (including	1,607	1,699	1,557 175	1,568
tonnage used in industrial fencing)	539	494	546	629
Wire rope -				
Steel wire rope	1,482	1,610	1,286	1,740
Stranded wire, 5/32" diameter and less to Other stranded wire (including multiple	82	66	74	67
strand wire)	553	525	545	596
Nails, tacks and staples -				
Wire nails, iron and steel	6,801	6,685	7,615	7,512
Cut nails, iron and steel	58	150	62	58
Nails, aluminum	15	15	8	320
Wire staples, steel	190 86	206	169 75	220 73
Tacks of steel, brass and copper	00	95	1)	13

^{★ -} Clothesline wire, in 1953.

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Table 2 - Production and Shipments o. Steel Wire and Specified Wire Products, Six Months Ended
June, 1953 and 1954

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	Six months ended June, 1953		Six months ended June, 1954	
	Tonnage	Tonnage	Tonnage	Tonnage
	made	shipped	made	shipped
			000 pounds)	
Steel wire -		(10110 01 2,	coo pounds,	
Plain	126,171	42,299	129,023	34,901
Galvanized	28,093	11,920	32,522	14,132
Other coated	1,007	880	945	730
				6,397
Barbed	4,190	5,551	4,812	00224
Cold rolled flat wire of all sizes,	7 050	CIC 3	2 207	(00
qualities and finishes	1,253	751	1,301	690
Wire fencing -	m 503	0.000	m mdo	0.740
Weven wire farm fencing	7,521	9,232	7,782	9,150
Woven wire lawn fencing	1,033	1,111	1,035	1,054
Woven wire chain link fabric (including	C. Thistopico			
tonnage used in industrial fencing)	1,939	1,797	2,022	1,777
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Wire rope -	The same of	No bod		
Steel wire rope	8,037	9,128	7,833	9,180
Stranded wire, 5/32" diameter and less.	513	470	991	668
Other stranded wire (including multiple				
strand wire)	3,348	3,402	3,802	3,357
		300		
Nails, tacks and staples -				
Wire nails, iron and steel	32,090	34,038	38,016	36,867
Cut nails, iron and steel	387	722	355	336
Nails, aluminum	45	46	39	36
Wire staples, steel	868	1,011	1,096	1,662
Tacks of steel, brass and copper	671	579	471	510
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Table 3 - Exports of Steel Wire and Specified Wire Products

Item	June, 1954		Six months ended June, 1954	
	Pounds	\$	Pounds	\$\$
Barbed wire	400	25	2,600	105
Other wire of iron and steel	• • •	4,336	0 0 0	13,775
Wire nails		•••	800	1,185 165
Tacks	39,600 1,300	8,698	245,700 8,200	51,333

NOTE: Data on imports during June are not yet available.