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THE BRIDGE BUILDING AND STRUCTURAL STEEL INDUSTRY, 1952

The value of work done by concerns in the Bridge Building and Structural Steel Industry amounted to \$139,716,836 in 1952 compared with \$109,650,351 in the previous year, an increase of 27.4 per cent.

This industry includes all concerns which were occupied chiefly in fabricating or erecting steel for bridges, buildings, etc., and in 1952 covered the operations of 38 plants, of which 17 were located in Ontario, 11 in Quebec, 4 in British Columbia, 3 in Alberta, 2 in Manitoba and 1 in Nova Scotia.

These firms gave employment to a total of 10,824 workers, who were paid \$37,418,880 in salaries and wages. Fuel and electricity cost \$1,272,630 and expenditures for use in manufacturing amounted to \$62,135,893.

The principal products were 190,063 tons of structural work for buildings at \$59,521,359; 56,121 tons of other structural work, such as bridges, transmission towers, etc., at \$17,689,000; plate and tank work at \$8,820,555 and mechanical work, including cranes, trolleys, etc., at \$1,464,665. Sales of plain material were worth \$12,963,676.

TABLE 1. Principal Statistics for The Bridge Building and Structural Steel Work Industry, 1948-1952

Year	Number of plants	Number of employees	Salaries and wages	Cost of fuel and electricity at works	Cost of materials at works	Gross selling value of products at works
			\$	\$	\$	\$
1948	27	7,407	19,165,403	847,392	29,527,341	66,229,635
1949	29	7,149	18,576,533	802,391	30,936,308	75,692,231
1950	33	7,434	22,382,499	968,742	36,659,245	82,003,268
1951	34	8,608	28,278,426	1,094,789	48,652,449	109,650,351
1952	38	10,824	37,418,880	1,272,630	62,135,893	139,716,836
Per cent change 1952 from 1951	—	+ 25.7	+ 32.3	+ 16.2	+ 27.7	+ 27.4

Note: Profits or losses cannot be calculated from above figures as data are not available for general expense items, such as interest, rent, depreciation, taxes, insurance, advertising, etc.

TABLE 2. Principal Statistics, by Provinces, 1951 and 1952

Province	Number of plants	Number of employees	Salaries and wages	Cost of fuel and electricity at works	Cost of materials at works	Gross selling value of products at works
			\$	\$	\$	\$
1951						
Quebec	10	2,843	9,340,705	358,637	17,094,617	36,048,319
Ontario	16	3,836	12,969,870	503,360	19,753,557	45,039,923
Alberta	3	480	1,310,710	31,146	1,718,409	3,916,096
Nova Scotia	1	1,449	4,657,141	201,646	10,085,866	24,646,013
Manitoba	2					
British Columbia	2					
Canada	34	8,608	28,278,426	1,094,789	48,652,449	109,650,351
1952						
Quebec	11	3,464	12,431,761	419,582	22,982,681	47,373,780
Ontario	17	4,878	16,173,941	576,852	20,579,344	57,883,911
Alberta	3	560	1,614,446	35,329	2,669,779	5,164,195
British Columbia	4	1,316	5,154,935	165,949	11,339,035	19,009,632
Nova Scotia	1	606	2,043,797	74,918	4,565,054	10,285,318
Manitoba	2					
Canada	38	10,824	37,418,880	1,272,630	62,135,893	139,716,836

TABLE 3. Products Made in The Bridge Building and Structural Steel Work Industry, 1951 and 1952

Product	1951		1952	
	Quantity	Selling value at works	Quantity	Selling value at works
	tons	\$	tons	\$
Structural work:				
Buildings	194,909	54,181,742	190,063	59,521,359
Bridges	26,232	8,126,117	19,679	5,958,419
Transmission towers	8,805	2,339,923	11,105	3,504,275
All other	18,900	4,980,263	25,337	8,226,506
Plate and tank work, including tanks, hoppers, digesters, etc.	—	7,078,010	—	8,820,555
Mechanical work, including cranes, trolleys, etc.	—	1,558,506	—	1,464,665
Sales of plain material (channels, etc., unfabricated)	82,224	13,480,727	70,839	12,963,676
Custom work and repairs	—	572,351	—	789,247
Other products ¹	—	17,332,712	—	38,468,334
Total products	—	109,650,351	—	139,716,836

1. Includes miscellaneous machinery, boilers, barges, reinforcing steel, etc.

Note: Plate and tank work and some structural work was done also in other industries, particularly in the Boilers and Platework Industry.

TABLE 4. Materials Used in The Bridge Building and Structural Steel Work Industry, 1951 and 1952

Material	Unit of measure	1951		1952	
		Quantity	Cost at works	Quantity	Cost at works
			\$		\$
Iron:					
Iron castings of all kinds	ton	2,280	424,785	1	1
Steel (except alloy steel):					
Steel castings	"	332	72,912	1	1
Bars	"	35,914	4,545,748	53,581	6,664,987
Plates (3/16 in. and thicker)	"	77,075	8,455,211	78,454	9,765,147
Shafting	"	7	1,680	1	1
Sheets (under 3/16 in.):					
Black	ton	5,391	648,406	8,434	1,193,096
Galvanized	"	80	16,118	326	47,481
Strips (less than 14 in. wide)	ton	524	59,808	2,411	275,243
Structural shapes	"	227,783	24,146,644	270,767	31,148,918
Alloy steel in all forms:					
Carbon and alloy tool steel, including high speed:					
Billets, bars, rods	—	—	16,260	—	132,778
Other	—	—	45,096	—	15,170
Stainless — Billets, bars and rods	—	—	1,260	—	219,318
Other	—	—	11,265	—	9,950
Other alloy — Billets, bars and rods	—	—	5,412	—	314
Other	—	—	6,714	—	12,617
Pipe and fittings, iron and steel	—	—	117,445	—	198,787
Other iron and steel	—	—	1,693,809	—	1,425,160

TABLE 4. Materials Used in The Bridge Building and Structural Steel Work Industry, 1951 and 1952 - Concluded

Material	Unit of measure	1951		1952	
		Quantity	Cost at works	Quantity	Cost at works
			\$		\$
Non-ferrous metals in all forms:					
Aluminum - Castings.....	—	—	—	—	—
Sheet	pound	3,260	1,470	12,220	6,448
Other forms	"	575	230	12,919	6,450
Brass and Bronze	pound	39,632	18,448	20,322	7,995
Copper	"	2,200	652	3,290	1,006
Lead	"	2,200	660	9,000	2,431
Zinc	"	2,092,543	373,579	3,496,254	658,239
Other non-ferrous metals.....	—	1	—	—	190,853
Other materials and supplies:					
Electrical apparatus and supplies	—	—	445,945	1	—
Other complete parts purchased (such as engines, boilers, instruments)	—	—	1,836,850	1	—
Paints, oils and varnishes	—	—	354,962	—	413,439
Lumber.....	M. bd. ft.	1,282	136,657	1,620	153,492
Acetylene.....	Cu. ft.	2,236,320	63,187	1	—
Oxygen.....	"	10,483,201	124,270	1	—
All other materials	—	—	5,026,966	—	9,586,574
Total materials and supplies	—	—	48,652,449	—	62,135,893

1. Not available separately.

TABLE 5. Employees, Salaries and Wages, by Provinces, in The Bridge Building and Structural Steel Work Industry, 1951 and 1952

Province	Number of employees					Earnings		
	Supervisory and office		Production workers		Total	Supervisory and office	Production workers	Total
	Male	Female	Male	Female		\$	\$	\$
1951								
Quebec	651	146	2,022	24	2,843	3,211,507	6,129,198	9,340,705
Ontario	585	148	3,087	16	3,836	3,165,100	9,804,770	12,969,870
Alberta	96	16	366	2	480	368,171	942,539	1,310,710
Other provinces.....	289	47	1,103	10	1,449	1,290,249	3,366,892	4,657,141
Canada	1,621	357	6,578	52	8,608	8,035,027	20,243,399	28,278,426
1952								
Quebec	714	160	2,582	8	3,464	4,153,612	8,278,149	12,431,761
Ontario	749	178	3,930	21	4,878	3,965,174	12,208,767	16,173,941
Alberta	107	16	435	2	560	468,876	1,145,570	1,614,446
British Columbia.....	248	40	1,028	—	1,316	1,158,112	3,996,823	5,154,935
Other provinces.....	108	16	478	4	606	500,466	1,543,331	2,043,797
Canada	1,926	410	8,453	35	10,824	10,246,240	27,172,640	37,418,880

TABLE 6. Capital and Repair Expenditures in the Bridge Building and Structural Steel Work Industry, 1948-1952

Year	Capital expenditures		Sub-total	Repair and maintenance expenditures		Sub-total	Total capital and repair expenditures
	Construction	Machinery and equipment		Construction	Machinery and equipment		
	\$'000						
1948	913	1, 013	1, 926	183	747	930	2, 856
1949	822	956	1, 778	423	608	1, 031	2, 809
1950	245	1, 504	1, 749	249	721	970	2, 719
1951	885	1, 514	2, 399	327	1, 050	1, 377	3, 776
1952 ¹	1, 445	1, 548	2, 993	679	867	1, 546	4, 539

1. Preliminary.

List of Firms in The Bridge Building and Structural Steel Work Industry, 1952

Name of firm	Location of plant
Nova Scotia:	
Robb Engineering Works Limited	51 La Planche St., Amherst
Quebec:	
B & H Metal Industries Co. Ltd.	4650 Notre Dame St. E., Montreal
Canadian Structural Steel Works Co. Ltd.	4600-17th Ave., Rosemount (Montreal)
Canrail Utilities Ltd.	64 Décarie Blvd., St Laurent
Dominion Structural Steel Limited	6894 Clanranald Ave., Montreal
Dominion Bridge Co. Ltd.	Lachine
Eastern Canada Steel & Iron Works Limited	Lesage Ave., Quebec
Leeds' Bridge and Iron Works Ltd.	175 Wanklyn St., Ville St-Laure
Lord & Company Ltd.	4700 Iberville St., Montreal
Mackinnon Structural Steel Company Limited	Sherbrooke
Modern Metal Works Reg'd.	390-10th Ave., Sherbrooke
Standard Structural Steel Ltd.	5330 Paré St., Montreal
Ontario:	
The Canadian Bridge Company Limited	121 Walker Road, Walkerville
Central Bridge Company Limited	300 West St., Trenton
Disher Steel Construction Co. Limited	80 Commissioners St., Toronto
Dominion Bridge Company Limited	1139 Shaw St., Toronto
Dominion Bridge Company Limited	Charlevoix St., Eastview
Eansor, T. J., & Sons Limited	261 Shepherd St. E., Windsor
Frankel Corporation Limited	Eastern Ave. & Don Roadway, Toronto
Hamilton Bridge Company Limited	231-233 Bay St. N., Hamilton
Hepburn, John T., Limited	914-948 Dupont St., Toronto
Leeds Bridge and Iron Works Limited	Crosby Road, Gananoque
Lock, J. H., & Sons, Ltd.	150 Perth Ave., Toronto
London Steel Construction Co., Limited	48 Burslem St., London
Sarnia Bridge Co. Limited	251 Campbell St., Sarnia
Sault Structural Steel Company Limited	Wilde Ave., Sault Ste. Marie
Scarboro Steel Works	24 Gloucester Grove, Toronto 10
Standard Iron & Steel Works Limited	3402 Dundas St. W., Toronto
Standard Steel Construction Co. Division of United Steel Corporation Ltd.	Port Robinson
Manitoba:	
Dominion Bridge Company, Limited	Dublin Ave., Winnipeg
Winnipeg Bridge Company, Limited	153 Aubert St., St. Boniface
Alberta:	
Dominion Bridge Company Limited	803-24th Ave. S.E., Calgary
Standard Iron & Engineering Works, Limited	120th St. and 107th Ave., Edmonton
Western Metal Fabricators Ltd.	2nd Ave. S., Lethbridge
British Columbia:	
Coast Steel Fabricators Ltd.	738 Powell St., Vancouver
Dominion Bridge Co. Ltd.	Boundary Road, Burnaby
Northwest Steel Fabricators & Erectors	224 W. 5th Ave., Vancouver 10
Western Bridge and Steel Fabricators Ltd.	145 W. 1st Ave., Vancouver