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MONTHLY REPORT

AUTOMOBILE PRODUCTION - MAY, 1939

Production of automobiles in Canada at 15,706 units in May compares with 16,891 vehicles made in the previous month and 18,115 in May, 1938. This month's output included 11,585 passenger cars and 4,121 trucks and of these totals 8,146 passenger cars and 2,960 trucks were made for sale in Canada. The balance of 3,439 passenger cars and 1,161 trucks were intended for export.

Cumulative production for the five months ending May 31, 1939, totalled 79,240 cars against 87,426 reported for the corresponding period of last year.

Table 1 - Number of Automobiles Produced in Canada during MAY, 1939, and the FIVE MONTHS ending MAY, 1939.

	MAY, 1939		FIVE MONTHS	
	For sale in Canada	For export	ending TOTAL MAY, 1939	
(a) Passenger cars -				
Permanent open cars -				
Roadsters .....	...	...	...	...
Touring .....	...	...	...	...
Convertible cars -				
Coupe, roadster	83	17	100	398
Sedan	7	32	39	169
Permanent closed cars -				
Coupe	945	171	1,116	5,803
2-Door Sedan	3,000	79	3,079	15,268
4-Door Sedan	4,109	1,682	5,791	29,091
Other closed .....	...	...	...	3
Chassis (sold without bodies)	2	1,458	1,460	8,651
TOTAL PASSENGER	8,146	3,439	11,585	59,383

Table 1 - Number of Automobiles Produced in Canada during MAY, 1939, and the FIVE MONTHS ending MAY, 1939. (concluded)

	MAY, 1939		FIVE MONTHS	
	For sale in Canada	For export	TOTAL	ending MAY, 1939.
(b) Commercial cars, including trucks, buses and chassis -				
3/4 ton and less	1,290	490	1,780	7,871
1 ton and less than 1½	336	72	408	1,893
1½ tons and less than 2	396	170	566	2,976
2 tons and less than 2½	583	418	1,001	4,697
2½ tons and less than 3½	341	2	343	2,260
3½ tons and 4½ tons, inclusive	8	...	8	42
5 tons	1	...	1	6
5½ tons and over .....	...	...	...	6
Special (ambulances, hearses, etc.) .....	...	...	...	...
Buses (including truck chassis for bus use)..	5	9	14	106
TOTAL COMMERCIAL	2,960	1,161	4,121	19,857
GRAND TOTAL	11,106	4,600	15,706	79,240

Table 2 - PRODUCTION IN CANADA, IMPORTS AND EXPORTS OF AUTOMOBILES, BY MONTHS, 1938 and 1939.

Month	PRODUCTION			CUSTOMS RECORDS		
		For sale in Canada	For export	TOTAL	IMPORTS	EXPORTS
January	1938	10,306	7,318	17,624	1,290	4,895
	1939	8,664	6,130	14,794	1,101	8,519
February	1938	9,818	6,248	16,066	891	7,292
	1939	8,171	6,129	14,300	805	6,064
March	1938	12,772	4,030	16,802	2,058	7,609
	1939	12,036	5,513	17,549	1,984	6,364
April	1938	15,324	3,495	18,819	2,344	4,116
	1939	13,124	3,767	16,891	1,862	2,274
May	1938	13,399	4,716	18,115	2,334	5,253
	1939	11,106	4,600	15,706	(x)	(x)
TOTAL	1938	61,619	25,807	87,426	8,917	29,165
	1939	53,101	26,139	79,240	(x)	(x)

(x) Not available at time of printing.

Table 3 - PRODUCTION OF AUTOMOBILES, BY MONTHS, 1934 - 1939.

Month	1934	1935	1936	1937	1938	1939
January	6,904	10,607	13,302	19,583	17,624	14,794
February	8,571	18,115	13,268	19,707	16,066	14,300
March	14,180	21,981	18,021	24,901	16,802	17,549
April	18,363	24,123	24,951	17,081	18,819	16,891
May	20,161	20,702	20,006	23,458	13,115	15,706
TOTAL - FIVE MONTHS	68,179	95,528	89,550	104,730	87,426	79,240
June	13,905	15,745	16,400	23,841	14,732	
July	11,114	13,188	10,475	17,941	9,007	
August	9,904	7,675	4,660	10,742	6,452	
September	5,579	5,188	4,655	4,417	6,089	
October	3,780	8,273	5,361	8,103	5,774	
November	1,697	13,491	10,812	16,574	17,992	
December	2,694	13,789	20,248	21,115	18,670	
TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR ..	116,852	172,877	162,159	207,463	166,142	

LIST OF AUTOMOBILE MANUFACTURERS IN CANADA - 1939.

<u>Name of Company</u>	<u>Address</u>
Chrysler Corporation of Canada, Limited	Windsor, Ontario
Ford Motor Company of Canada, Limited	Windsor, Ontario
General Motors of Canada, Limited	Oshawa, Ontario
Hayes Manufacturing Company Limited	295 West 2nd Ave., Vancouver, B.C.
Hudson Motors of Canada, Limited	Tilbury, Ontario
International Harvester Co. of Canada, Limited	Chatham, Ontario
White Company Limited	5225 De Gaspe St., Montreal, P.Q.

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