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FRODUCTION AND USE OF ELECTRIC EMERGY IN CANADA

1930

The output of central electric stations during 1930 amounted to 18,256 million kilowatt hours, including an estimate of 400 million kilowatt hours for small stations which do not report monthly. The large stations, generating approximately 98 per cent of the total of all stations, reported a total output of 17,856,122,000 kilowatt hours; 17,553,768,000 kilowatt hours generated by water power and 302,354,000 kilowatt hours generated by thermal engines. It is not probable that an error in the estimate for small stations will affect the total more than one-quarter of one per cent and the correction will probably be an addition.

The pulp and paper mills operate more or less continuously throughout the year and, with the large consumption of off-peak and surplus power used in electric boilers, use considerably more electricity per horse power of equipment than other industries. The motors in the pulp and paper industry operated on power purchased from central electric stations had a rated capacity of 859,017 horse power in 1923 and 944,272 in 1929, having increased by 73 per cent between 1926 and 1929. In 1928 their capacity was 40 per cent of the total of such motors in all manufacturing industries and 36 per cent of the motors operated on purchased power in both manufacturing and mining industries. It is consequently quite evident that this rapid growth of the pulp and paper industry has quite materially affected the growth of the central electric stations.

The electrification of other industries has also increased and the lighting load, both commercial and domestic, has grown rapidly. Examples of this growth are the consumptions in Toronto, where domestic lighting increased by 75 per cent between 1925 and 1929 and commercial lighting increased by 66 per cent. The large increases in the commercial lighting and domestic consumptions have been due to better lighting, more advertising by electric signs, and, in the home, to a greater use of electrical appliances such as electric stoves, refrigerators, washing machines, irons, radios, etc., the number of domestic light customers in this city increasing only by 2^{4} per cent during these four years. This is more or less typical of the whole country. There is also a considerable quantity of electricity generated by electric railways and manufacturing industries for their own use, which, for 1929, is estimated at 1,30⁴ million kilowatt hours. Sufficient data are not available to make a similar estimate for 1930, but this gives a fair indication of how extensively electric energy and the service to rural customers is being extended rapidly.

The tendency in the central electric station industry is towards consolidation and interconnection of stations for the sake of economies in operation and also to ensure continuous service in the event of break downs. In Canada 23 large systems generated 17,098,613,000 kilowatt hours during 1930, which was over 93 per cent of the total for all stations, and the output of the four largest was over 52 per cent of the total. The outputs of these 23 systems are shown in table 5. The system of the Dominion Power and Dransmission Company was purchased by the Hydro Flectric Power Commission of Ontario on August 14, 1930, but the whole output for the year is shown as generated by the Dominion Power and Transmission Company.



The average daily outputs of the large stations for each month,1925 - 1930, have been plotted on page 8 and the trend as indicated by the moving twelve month average has also been plotted.

During 1930 the export of electricity to the United States amounted to 1,619,602,712 kilowatt hours, or approximately 9 per cent of the total output. Of this, 402,317,877 kilowatt hours was surplus power exported by the Hydro Electric Power Commission of Ontario and the Canadian Niagara Power Company from the Niagara plants. The imports were small, amounting to only 6,035,011 kilowatt hours.

The table on page 7 shows the total power employed in Canadian industries for 1923. This power is the rated capacity of water wheels and turbines of 657,257 horse power, steam engines and turbines of 736,996 horse power, internal combustion engines of 58,806 horse power and motors operated on power purchased from central electric stations of 2,139,129 horse power, making the total power employed 3,592,184 horse power. The rating of motors operated on power generated by the industries themselves is also shown, which, added to the ratings of the motors operated on purchased power, is the total electric motor power employed. This total electric motor power divided by the total power employed is the percentage of electric power employed. There is a slight error in this computation caused by plants generating their own electric energy having motor capacity greater than the capacity of their prime movers. There is no error in considering such plants as 100 per cent electrified, but the surplus motor capacity affects the ratio of plants operating entirely on thermal or hydraulic power. Also, the capacity of motors in a plant using electric drive exclusively is probably somewhat greater than the engine capacity of a similar plant using direct drive and, consequently, the ratios in the last column are affected. The data, however, are relative and show the growth in the use of electric motors in Canadian industries.

The industries as a whole show that 72 per cent of the power employed was electric motors and several industries operated entirely on electric energy, the three large industries being the automobile, cement and printing and book binding industries. There were many industries for which over 90 per cent of the power employed was electric power and there were also many individual plants operating entirely on electric energy even in industrial groups showing ratios of 90 per cent or lower. A rather significant feature of the table is the large percentage of electric energy employed in coal mines and gas and oil industries.

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Table 1.

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KILOWATT HOURS GENERATED BY PROVINCES

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Province	: Water	: Fuel	: Total
Prince Edward Island		2,417,930	2,417,930
Nova Scotia	170,656,147	27,963,520	198,619,667
New Brunswick	297,915,405	33,151,430	331,066,835
Quebec	8,836,457,835		8,836,457,835
Ontario	5,967,459,796	5,626,300	5,973,086,096
Manitoba	952,911,170	6,065,300	958,976,470
Saskatchewan	35,416,750	132,742,938	168,159,688
Alberta	134,673,200	72,329,265	207,002,465
British Columbia	1,158,277,719	22,057,636	1,180,335,355
TOTAL	17,553,768,022	302,354,319	17,856,122,341

Table 2.

KILOWATT HOURS EXPORTED

1930

	Total
Hydro Electric Power Commission of Ontario	383,411,500
" " " " (Surplus)	401,827,777
Cedars Rapids Manufacturing & Power Co., Ltd	476,400,847
Canadian Niagara Company	326,070,666
" " (Surplus)	490,100
Western Power Company	2,400
Ontario and Minnesota Power Company	10,782,200
Maine & New Brunswick Electric Power Company	11,906,324
British Columbia Electric Company	35,369
Northport Power and Light Company	268,053
Maritime Electric Company	666,900
Sherbrooke Railway and Power Company	367,176
Northern B.C. Power Company	51,360
International Railway Company	718,470
Fraser Companies, Ltd	6,603,570
TOTAL	1,619,602,712



Table 3.

OUTPUT OF LARGE CENTRAL ELECTRIC STATIONS IN CANADA. (A) MONTHLY OUTPUT (Thousands of Kilowatt Hours)

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	Tot	als for Cana	ada :		Generate	ed by Water	Power		: Generated	by Fuel :	
:	LINE		:	Maritime :			: Prairie	: British	: Prairie	: Other :	Total
Month :	Water	: Fuel :	Total :	Provinces :	Quebec :	Ontario	: Provinces	: Columbia	: Provinces	: Provinces:	Exports
1929											
January	1,478,953	28,920	1,507,873	14,242	728,703	516,574	117,592	101,842	21,835	7,085	114,267
February	1,315,207	31,282	1,346,489	14,341	645,934	470,824	103,364	80,744	18,546	12,736	110,645
March	1,440,734	29,786	1,470,520	15,995	714,729	514,451	105,704	89,855	18,206	11,580	126,648
April	1,378,557	30,524	1,409,081	15,677	685,180 '	493,997	97,453	86,250	19,527	10,997	110,692
May	1,431,806	24,881	1,456,687	15,424	709,909	517,402	101,418	87,653	16,414	8,467	112,302
June	1,360,875	17,249	1,378,124	14,543	677,920	492,233	87,191	88,988	13,626	3,623	119,394
July	1,392,857	17,852	1,410,709	14,813	696,621	506,577	86,941	87,905	14,211	3,641	128,601
August	1,425,572	19,363	1,444,935	15,109	713,519	515,964	88,049	92,931	14,897	4,466	133,159
September	1,455,053	22,064	1,477,117	14,155	746,647	506,352	95,257	92,642	15,044	7,020	136,301
October	1,559,042	35,241	1,594,283	16,597	813,794	529,568	105,049	94,034	19,654	15,587	126,360
November	1,565,856	35,870	1,601,726	16,989	797,314	548,906	111,318	91,329	18,138	17,732	124,029
December	1,496,901	38,431	1,535,332	17,616	746,934	532,318	117,079	82,954	19,958	18,473	102,004
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<u>1930</u> ×											
January	1.513.719	41.092	1.554.811	29.448	745.711	549,119	104,698	84,743	23,063	18,029	112,625
February	1.371.215	26.880	1.398.095	28.705	686.957	489.210	82.397	83,946	18,702	8,178	117,176
March	1.491.040	24.425	1.515.465	34.469	741.411	528,404	89.826	96,930	18,222	6,203	126,894
April	1.480.953	21.385	1.502.338	42.968	744,861	509.615	92,601	90,908	16,437	4,948	117,504
Mav	1.523.521	21.106	1.544.627	44.139	761.327	524,679	100,116	93,260	16,466	4,640	129,138
June	1.414.236	20.375	1.434.611	42.632	709.245	485.791	87,683	88,885	15,801	4,574	136,016
July	1.404.009	21.681	1.425.690	40.667	722,335	460,611	89,169	91,227	16,522	5,159	131,817
August	1,391,054	20.806	1.411.860	41.788	710.842	457.424	84,925	96,075	14,898	5,908	142,571
September	1.419.051	23.910	1.442.961	38.662	704,123	485,151	92,060	99,055	14,882	9,028	153,657
October	1.549.846	24.714	1.574.560	39.480	781,996	521,991	95,005	111,374	16,874	7,840	161,323
November	1.488.175	27.228	1.515.403	41.264	764,490	480,131	92,292	109,998	19,506	7,722	141,587
December	1.513.152	29,156	1.542.308	44.295	764,612	460,442	111,443	112,360	19,748	9,408	149,295
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TOTAL	17,553,768	302,354	17,856,122	468,572	8,836,458	5,967,459	1,123,001	1,158,278	211,137	91,217	1,619,603

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Table 4.

(B) AVERAGE DAILY OUTPUT

(Thousands of Kilowatt Hours)

;		Tota	als for (Canada	:		Gen	erated by W	Vater Power		: Generated	by Fuel :	
:		:			: Maritime	:			: Prairie	: British	: Prairie	: Other :	Total
Month :	Water	:	Fuel	: Total	: Provinces	:	Quebec :	Ontaric	: Provinces	: Columbia	: Provinces	: Provinces :	Exports
1929													
January	47,708		933	48,641	459		23,507	16,664	3,793	3,285	704	229	3,689
February	46,971		1,117	48,088	512		23,069	16,815	3,691	2,884	662	455	3,952
March	46,475		961	47,436	516		23,056	16,595	3,410	2,898	587	574	4,085
April	45,952		1,017	46,969	523		22,839	16,467	3,248	2,875	651	366	3,690
May	46,187		803	46,990	498		22,900	16,690	3,272	2,827	530	273	3,628
June	45,362		575	45,937	485		22,597	16,408	2,906	2,966	454	121	3,900
July	44,931		575	45,506	478		22,472	16,341	2,004	2,036	450	11/	4,140
August	45,986		624	46,610	487		23,017	16,644	2,840	2,990	400	144	4,270
September	48,502		735	49,237	472		24,888	16,079	3,175	3,000	501	234	4,543
October	50,291		1,137	51,428	535		26,251	17,003	3,307	3,033	634	503	4,070
November	52,195		1,195	53,390	500		26,577	10,290	3,111	3,043	642	571	2 290
December	48,287		1,239	49,520	507		24,095	11,112	3,111	2,010	043	570	3,270
AVERAGE	47,401		908	48,309	508		23,773	16,836	3,333	2,951	575	333	3,957
<u>1930</u> (x)													
January	48,829		1,326	50,155	950		24,055	17,713	3,377	2,734	744	582	3,633
February	48,972		960	49,932	1,025		24,534	17,472	2,943	2,998	668	292	4,185
March	48,098		788	48,886	1,112		23,916	17,045	2,898	3,127	588	200	4,093
April	49,365		713	50,078	1,432		24,829	16,987	3,087	3,030	548	165	3,917
May	49,146		681	49,827	1,424		24,559	16,925	3,230	3,008	531	150	4,166
June	47,141		679	47,820	1,422		23,642	16,193	2,922	2,962	527	152	4,534
July	45,291		699	45,990	1,312		23,301	14,858	2,877	2,943	533	166	4,252
August	44,873		671	45,544	1,348		22,930	14,756	2,740	3,099	481	190	4,599
September	47,301		797	48,098	1,288		23,470	16,172	3,069	3,302	496	301	5,122
October	49,995		797	50,792	1,273		25,226	16,838	3,065	3,593	544	253	5,204
November	49,606		908	50,514	1,375		25,483	16,004	3,077	3,667	650	250	4,720
December	48,811		940	49,751	1,429		24,665	15,493	3,595	3,624	637	303	4,010
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AVERAGE	48,092		828	48,920	1,284		24,210	16,349	3,076	3,173	579	249	4,437

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Table 5.

OUTPUT OF 23 LARGEST CENTRAL ELECTRIC STATION SYSTEMS

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IN CANADA

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	Kilowatt Hours Generated	
Hydro Electric Power Commission of Ontario	4,057,573,673	
Shawinigan Water and Power Company 2,613,431,620		
Quebec Power Company 147,413,440	2,858,234,633	
Canadian Light & Power Company 97,389,573)		
Canadian Hydro Electric Power Corporation 2,262,245,288	0 507 775 Lad	
Saint John River Power Company 261,490,400)	2, 723, (37,000	
Duke Price Power Company	2,012,869,376	
Montreal Light, Heat and Power Consolidated	1,027,181,645	
Canadian Niagara Power Company	607,014,300	
West Kootenay Power Company	599,257,403	
Winnipeg Electric Company & Manitoba Power Company	597,900,870	
British Columbia Power Corporation 74,869,872)		
Vancouver Power Company 113,068,627	474,875,319	
Western Power Company 286,936,820)		
Canada Northern Power Corporation	367,130,780	
Winnipeg Hydro Electric System	355,930,500	
Abitibi Electric Development Company, Ltd	262,958,824	
Price Brothers and Company	168,631,400	
Dominion Power and Transmission Company ^(x)	160,787,100	
Southern Canada Power Company	156,453,380	
Nova Scotia Power Commission	151,414,019	
Huronian Power Company	142,836,845	
Calgary Power Company	135,106,382	
Montreal Island Power Company	105,805,180	
Ontario and Minnesota Power Company	86,363,000	
The Great Lakes Power Company	85,424,471	
Kaministiquia Power Company	81,778,280	
East Kootenay Power Company	79,349,960	
TOTAL	17,098,613,028	

(x) Purchased by the Hydro Electric Power Commission of Ontario, August 14, 1930.

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Table 6.

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-7-POWER EQUIPMENT OF MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES#

IN CANADA

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INDUSTRIES	Total Power Employed	Electr By power : Generated: in the : Industries	ic Motors (By Purchased Power	Dperated : Total : Motor : Capacity :	: Per cent : Electric : Power : Employed
Group <u>1</u> - Vegetable Products Breweries Feed and Grist Mills Flour Mills Rubber Goods Sugar Refineries	309,611 38,344 34,247 84,848 41,149 18,881	25,189 1,515 45 2,755 860 12,623	202,582 31,296 8,353 50,676 40,174 5,407	227,771 32,811 8,398 53,431 41,034 18,030	74 86 25 63 100 95
Group <u>11</u> - Animal Products Butter and Cheese Slaughtering & Meat Packing	104,166 26,879 33,116	3,222 798	71,222 18,721 26,535	74,444 18 ,721 27,333	71 70 83
Group <u>111</u> - Textiles & Textile Products Cotton Yarn and Cloth Hosiery,Knit Goods, Gloves	163,779 80,572 15,744	26,298 20,308 1,992	103,809 41,608 9,388	130,107 61,916 11,380	79 77 72
Group <u>IV</u> - Wood & Paper Products Boxes, wooden Furniture & Upholstering Planing Mills Printing & Publishing Pulp and Paper Saw Mills	1,908,738 13,865 20,040 52,311 18,810 1,459,256 296,914	281,819 1,396 2,045 474 517 229,915 44,707	988,802 6,418 8,748 26,230 16,402 859,017 34,644	1,270,621 7,814 10,793 26,704 16,919 1,088,932 79,351	67 56 54 51 90 75 27
Group V - Iron & Steel Products Agricultural Implements Automobiles Castings & Forgings Hardware & Teols Machinery Railway & Rolling Stock Steel Metal Products Steel & Rolled Products	488,521 22,924 34,174 53,328 15,296 35,254 90,974 16,530 183,177	71,714 989 26,685 1,376 222 5,030 4,693 867 26,579	314,169 16,115 17,887 45,942 13,567 25,390 71,143 11,182 80,856	385,883 17,104 44,572 47,318 13,789 30,420 75,836 12,049 107,435	79 75 100 89 90 86 83 73 59
Group <u>VI</u> - Non-Ferrous Metal Products Brass & Copper Products Electrical Apparatus & Supplies Non-ferrous Metal Smelting	294,642 14,976 49,748 221,884	29,590 487 9,597 19,506	205,836 13,818 39,560 144,444	235,426 14,305 49,157 163,950	80 96 99 74
Group VII - Non-Metallic Mineral Products Cement Clay Products Coke & Gas Products Petroleum Products	181,666 73,609 25,400 20,957 22,851	16,273 8,640 234 4,660 1,683	143,351 66,768 16,531 14,772 9,633	159,624 75,408 16,765 19,432 11,316	88 100 66 93 50
Group VIII - Chemicals and	רסון נד	7 1170	117 500	50 000	77
Group <u>IX</u> - Miscellaneous Industrie Bridge Building Shipbuilding & Repairs	69,660 18,233 27,661	50	61,778 18,043 24,469	61,828 18,043 24,469	89 99 88
Industries#	3,592,184	457,565	2,139,129	2,596,694	72
	MINING I	NDUSTRIES ()	(x)		
Metal Mining Coal, Gas & Petroleum Mining Other Non-metal Mining Sand, Gravel and Stone	177,154 154,062 50,846 37,402	11,824 53,645 722 1,930	132,604 24,409 43,370 23,283	144,428 78,054 44,092 25,213	82 51 87 67
Total Mining (xx)	419,464	68,121	223,666	291,787	70

- Excluding central electric stations.

(xx) - Excluding non-ferrous, smelting, salt, cement, clay products and lime, which are included with manufacturing industries.

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