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HIGHLIGHTS OF THIS ISSUE

External Trade: Value of Canada's commodity exports (domestic and re-exports) rose by 2.9% in May from a year earlier to \$685,400,000, placing the January-May total at \$3,139,200,000, greater by 17.1% as compared to a year earlier. (Page 2)

Manufacturing: Manufacturers' shipments in April were valued at \$2,637.5 million, up by 0.4% from the preceding month and by 12.5% from a year earlier. Shipments in the January-April period were valued at \$10,107.4 million, up by 13.1% from a year ago ... Steel ingot output in the week ended June 27 totalled 170,739 tons, down by 2.4% from the preceding week. (Pages 2-4)

Transportation: Intercity and rural bus lines carried fewer passengers in April but more in the January-April period this year as compared to last, urban transit systems collected more initial revenue fares in both periods ... Nearly double the freight was carried through Canada's canals in April this year versus last. (Page 5)

Business: Cheques cashed in clearing centres were higher in value in April and the January-April period this year as compared to last by 11.5% and 14.1%, respectively ... Value of consumer credit was higher at the end of April as against a year ago. (Pages 6-7)

Food & Agriculture: Some 1.1% more milk was produced in Canada in May and the January-May period versus a year earlier ... Egg production was greater in both periods ... Tax-paid withdrawals of cigarettes were lower in this year's first quarter as compared to 1963's first quarter, while tax-paid withdrawals of cigars were higher. (Page 7)

Libraries: Canada's libraries provided more than 15.5 million books in 1962 which circulated an average of 4.1 times each. Almost one-quarter of the 2,962 full-time staff members were professional librarians. (Page 9)

Merchandising: In the week ended June 13, Canada's department store sales were valued 3.0% below those in the corresponding 1963 period ... Sales of new motor vehicles reached an all-time high in 1963 in both volume and retail value. Volume reached 654,989 units and the retail value \$2,062,039,000, representing gains of 11.9% and 15.7%, respectively, from the preceding year. (Page 9)

*1. Commodity Exports Continuing to be greater than a year earlier, the value of Canada's commodity exports (domestic and re-exports) rose 2.9% in May to \$685,400,000 from \$666,200,000 in May last year. This brought the total in the January-May period to \$3,139,200,000, greater by 17.1% than the corresponding 1963 total of \$2,680,100,000.

May exports were lower in value as compared to a year earlier in three of the four main trading areas. Month's values (in millions) were: United Kingdom, \$105.9 (\$119.5 in May 1963); other Commonwealth and preferential rate countries, \$42.1 (\$43.7); United States, \$358.5 (\$362.9); and other countries, \$178.9 (\$140.1).

Higher values were posted in the January-May period as compared to a year ago to each of the four main trading areas. Five-month values (in millions) were: United Kingdom, \$470.6 (\$398.6 a year ago); other Commonwealth and preferential rate countries, \$184.8 (\$168.5); United States, \$1,696.9 (\$1,558.1); and other countries, \$786.9 (\$554.9).

MANUFACTURING

*2. Manufacturers' Shipments, Inventories & Orders In April Manufacturers' shipments in April were valued at an estimated \$2,637.5 million, up 0.4% from the revised March estimated of \$2,625.9 million and up 12.5% from the April 1963 estimate of \$2,345.3 million, according to an advance release of data that will be contained in the April issue of the DBS report "Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries". January-April shipments were valued at \$10,107.4 million, up 13.1% from the corresponding 1963 estimate of \$8,937.4 million.

Seasonally adjusted shipments for April showed a slight decline of 1.6% from March, continuing at the relatively high level established in December 1963.

Total inventory owned by manufacturers was estimated at \$4,957.2 million in April, fractionally higher than the revised March estimate of \$4,961.4 million and 2.3% higher than the year-earlier estimate of \$4,857.7 million. Total inventory held by manufacturers in April was estimated at \$5,264.1 million, up slightly from the revised March estimated of \$5,262.3 million and up 1.9% from the April 1963 total of \$5,165.3 million. The ratio of total inventory owned-to-shipments was 1.88 in April versus 1.89 in March and 2.07 in April 1963. The ratio of finished products-to-shipments was 0.68 in both March and April and 0.75 in April 1963.

The seasonally adjusted estimate for total inventory held in April showed a small increase of 0.6% from March. Inventories of raw materials and finished products rose slightly, while that of goods in process declined fractionally.

Estimated value of new orders for April was \$2,668.3 million, fractionally lower than the revised March estimate of \$2,669.6 million but higher by 15.7% than the April 1963 estimate of \$2,306.0 million. Unfilled orders were estimated at \$2,582.5 million in April, up 1.2% from the March estimate of \$2,551.7 million and up 13.5% from the April 1963 estimate of \$2,275.3 million.

The table at the top of the following page shows estimated value of shipments, inventories and orders in all manufacturing industries.

MORE

	April 1964 (Preliminary)	March 1964 (Revised)	February 1964	April 1963
Millions of dollars				
Shipments	2,637.5	2,625.9	2,415.9	2,345.3
Shipments (Seasonally adjusted) ..	2,644.9	2,686.9	2,585.8	2,344.4
Inventory owned	4,967.2	4,961.4	5,000.1	4,857.7
Inventory owned (Seasonally adjusted) ..	4,926.0	4,882.8	4,952.3	4,815.5
Inventory held	5,264.1	5,262.3	5,286.5	5,165.3
Raw materials	2,153.7	2,155.4	2,178.7	2,100.6
Goods in process ...	1,321.8	1,329.8	1,324.2	1,305.8
Finished products ..	1,788.6	1,777.1	1,783.6	1,758.9
New orders	2,668.3	2,669.6	2,400.6	2,306.0
Unfilled orders	2,582.5	2,551.7	2,508.0	2,275.3
Unfilled orders (Seasonally adjusted) ..	2,529.4	2,467.8	2,455.9	2,227.4

Provincial Shipments. Value of manufacturers' shipments increased 12.5% in April as compared to April last year, with all provinces except Saskatchewan posting gains.

Increased values in Newfoundland were due mainly to higher values in the paper and wood products industries; in Nova Scotia to increases in foods and beverages, metal fabricating, transportation equipment and petroleum products; in New Brunswick to advances in foods and beverages, and wood and paper products; in Quebec to gains in foods and beverages, textiles, paper, primary metals, transportation equipment, electrical, and chemical products; in Ontario to higher values in foods and beverages, textiles, primary metals, metal fabricating, transportation equipment, and electrical products; in Manitoba to advances in foods and beverages; primary metals, and transportation equipment; in Alberta to gains in foods and beverages, wood, primary metals and machinery; and in British Columbia to increases in foods and beverages, wood, paper, primary metals and metal fabricating industries. The decline in Saskatchewan was due to decreased shipments in primary metals, non-metallic minerals and petroleum products.

Gross Value of Factory Shipments by Province of Origin

	April		%	March	January - April		%
	1964 (p)	1963		1964	1964 (p)	1963	
Millions of Dollars							
Nfld.	12.1	10.0	+21.0	8.9	42.1	37.5	+12.3
N.S.	38.7	33.7	+14.8	40.8	154.6	135.7	+13.9
N.B.	38.3	33.4	+14.7	34.8	142.4	129.0	+10.4
Que.	753.7	687.5	+ 9.6	754.0	2,916.5	2,621.9	+11.2
Ont.	1,358.2	1,201.1	+13.1	1,344.9	5,177.1	4,533.7	+14.2
Man.	79.0	74.1	+ 6.6	83.1	314.6	280.8	+12.0
Sask.	31.0	31.5	- 1.6	31.3	121.4	115.3	+ 5.3
Alta.	91.8	79.4	+15.6	92.2	354.1	315.8	+12.1
B.C.	231.7	192.0	+20.7	232.8	871.6	756.0	+15.3
CANADA (1) ..	2,637.5	2,345.3	+12.5	2,625.9	10,107.4	8,937.4	+13.1

(1) Includes Prince Edward Island, the Yukon and the Northwest Territories.

(p) Preliminary.

*3. Steel Ingot Production Production of steel ingots in the week ended June 27 amounted to 170,739 tons, a decrease of 2.4% from the preceding week's total of 174,921 tons. Output in the corresponding period last year was 151,682 tons. The index of production, based on the average weekly output during 1957-59 of 96,108 tons equalling 100, was 178 in the current week versus 182 a week earlier and 158 a year ago.

4. Refined Petroleum Products Output of refined petroleum products in March amounted to 28,799,389 barrels, a rise of 1.6% from the 1963 March total of 28,345,853 barrels. Receipts of crude oil rose 3.9% in the month to 29,010,855 barrels from 27,912,423 a year earlier, comprising 4.1% more domestic crude at 16,900,762 barrels versus 16,240,195 and 3.8% more imported crude at 12,110,093 barrels versus 11,672,225.

Net Sales In Canada Of Selected Petroleum Products, March 1964

	Motor gasoline	Kerosene stove oil, etc.	Fuel Oil		
			Diesel	Light	Heavy
		Barrels of 35 Imperial gallons			
Newfoundland	89,735	116,077	121,110	176,880	87,010
Maritimes	472,113	301,907	221,996	778,350	767,646
Quebec	1,955,419	733,709	432,815	2,886,079	1,826,838
Ontario	3,215,404	390,601	453,569	4,126,318	1,603,378
Manitoba	397,624	97,591	149,189	333,661	124,335
Saskatchewan	542,620	129,559	174,052	197,683	104,298
Alberta	979,428	38,061	386,152	143,303	4,831
British Columbia	840,129	212,677	408,246	573,115	534,704
Northwest Territories and Yukon	13,060	19,398	13,000	22,090	-
CANADA TOTAL	8,505,532	2,039,580	2,360,129	9,237,479	5,053,040

5. Raw Hides & Skins Tanners' receipts of cattle hides increased in April to 192,103 from 182,856 a year earlier and in the January-April period to 843,237 from 754,618 a year ago. Receipts of sheep and lamb skins rose in the month to 12,650 dozen from 12,218 dozen, but fell in the four months to 41,337 dozen from 50,377 dozen.

Stocks of raw hides and skins held by packers, dealers and tanners at the end of April were: cattle hides, 375,773 (409,134 a year ago), calf and kip skins, 234,045 (208,758), sheep and lamb skins, 33,115 dozen (49,249 dozen); goat skins, 35,635 (40,195), horsehides, 7,687 (4,504); and all other hides and skins, 6,271 (5,300).

*6. Leather Footwear Production of leather footwear increased 4.4% in April this year to 4,218,615 pairs from 4,042,472 in April last year, according to an advance release of data that will be contained in the April issue of the DBS report "Production of Leather Footwear". This brought output in the January-April period to 16,607,372 pairs, up slightly (0.8%) from the corresponding 1963 total of 16,481,256 pairs.

7. Products Made From Canadian Clays Value of producers' shipments of products made from Canadian clays decreased 21.3% in April to \$2,262,500 from \$2,874,600 in April last year, but increased 27.7% in the January-April period to \$10,424,000 from \$8,165,300 a year ago.

8. Specified Domestic Electrical Appliances Shipments of small domestic electrical appliances in April this year included (January-April totals bracketed): automatic toasters, 26,669 units (103,395); steam flat irons, 25,581 (157,796); kettles, 25,395 (87,978); hood-type hair dryers, 24,474 (115,843); and food mixers, juicers and blenders, 17,239 (65,380).
9. Cement Producers of cement shipped or used 467,518 tons of Portland, and masonry and other cement in April this year, a rise of 6.6% from last year's April total of 438,396 tons. This brought shipments and usage in the January-April period to 1,521,189 tons, greater by 27.5% than the corresponding year-earlier total of 1,193,141 tons. Producers' stocks at the end of April were 17.6% smaller than a year ago at 804,288 tons versus 976,611.
- *10. Shipments Of Dry Mops, Sleeping Bags, And Ice And Roller Skates Shipments of dry mops, sleeping bags, ice skates and roller skates in 1962 from all industries were, according to preliminary DBS data, as follows: dry mops, 84,541 dozen valued at \$1,326,351; sleeping bags, 341,277 at \$2,626,198; ice skates, 2,848,633 pairs at \$4,227,809; and roller skates, 58,000 pairs at \$142,782.

TRANSPORTATION

11. Passenger Bus Statistics Passengers carried by intercity and rural bus lines declined 1.3% in April to 3,789,316 from 3,839,005 in April last year, but rose 1.6% in the January-April period to 15,454,792 from 15,212,038 a year ago. Operating revenue was down 4.6% in the month at \$3,531,414 versus \$3,703,420 a year earlier and up 2.5% in the cumulative period to \$13,909,775 from \$13,571,964 a year ago.
12. Urban Transit Initial revenue passenger fares (excluding transfers) collected by urban transit systems in April numbered 83,390,575, a rise of 2.2% from last year's April total of 81,582,213. This brought the number collected in the January-April period to 336,319,509 as compared to 333,126,422 a year ago, a rise of 1.0%. Operating revenue increased 7.6% in the month to \$12,128,600 from \$11,269,400 a year earlier and 6.8% in the four-month period to \$48,732,900 from \$45,616,600 a year ago.
13. Canal Statistics Volume of freight transported through Canadian canals in April nearly doubled, rising to 7,263,854 tons from 3,664,282 in April last year, with shipments of wheat (up by 1,195,953 tons) and iron ore (up by 1,314,489 tons) accounting for most of the increase. Vessel passages advanced substantially (43.8%) to 1,506 from 1,047, while the registered net tonnage climbed significantly (84.2%) to 5,587,181 tons from 3,033,211. The St. Lawrence canals were opened to navigation on April 8 (April 4, in 1963), the Welland canal on March 29 (April 1), and the Canadian lock of the Sault Ste. Marie canal on April 13 (April 4).

Freight transported through the St. Lawrence canals increased to 3,288,630 tons in April from 1,662,980 a year ago, through the Welland canal advanced to 3,942,301 tons from 1,969,319, and through the combined United States and Canada Sault Ste. Marie canals soared to 5,878,620 tons from 1,089,139.

14. Railway Operating Statistics Railway operating revenues were up by 18.0% in January as compared to a year ago at \$103,-382,800, and operating expenses were up by 7.2% at \$99,980,300. There was a net railway operating income in January this year of \$3,402,500 as compared to last year's January deficit of \$5,668,600. Railway operating expenses in January accounted for 96.71¢ per dollar of revenue.

Rail operating revenues, comprising railway, express, commercial communications, and highway transport (rail) services, increased by 16.4% in January from a year ago to \$113,775,500, while operating expenses rose by 6.9% to \$109,-844,100. As a result, there was a net rail operating income of \$3,931,400 in January this year versus a deficit of \$4,997,700 a year ago.

15. Civil Aviation Revenue passengers carried by Canadian air carriers in 1963 numbered 5,633,480 (up 6.9% from 1962), while revenue goods carried totalled 129,030 tons (up by 9.1%). Revenue miles flown aggregated 102,-564,907 (up by 3.3%).

Operating revenues increased by 8.7% in 1963 from the preceding year to \$309,256,850 and operating expenses by 6.3% to \$294,714,731. As a result, the operating income more than doubled in the year, rising to \$14,542,145 from \$7,-284,377. After provision for income taxes and other charges, an income of \$2,-956,260 remained in 1963 in contrast to a deficit of \$4,597,327 in 1962.

16. International Toll Bridges, Tunnels And Ferries In 1963 Operating revenues of eleven bridges, one tunnel and eight ferries functioning as toll facilities for vehicles and pedestrians between Canada and the United States increased 8.2% in 1963 to \$12,414,437 from \$11,476,281 in 1962, while operating expenses rose 2.0% to \$5,975,376 from \$5,-855,761. Net operating revenue thus climbed 14.6% in the year to \$6,439,061 from \$5,620,520 in the preceding year.

Number of motor vehicles using toll bridges, tunnels and ferries between Canada and the United States rose 5.6% in 1963 to 19,344,625 from 18,324,838 in 1962, while number of passengers, other than drivers, declined 2.9% to 27,021,633 from 27,817,555. Pedestrians using these facilities rose 7.4% in number in the year to 799,556 from 744,713 in 1962.

BUSINESS

17. Cheque Cashings In April Value of cheques cashed in Canada's clearing centres in April reached \$35,277,056,000, up by 11.5% from 1963's April total of \$31,644,184,000. This placed the value in the January-April period at \$131,938,252,000, greater by 14.1% than the corresponding year-earlier total of \$115,609,909,000. Debits were higher than a year earlier both in the month and cumulative period in all economic regions.

April values, in thousands, were (percentage gains from April 1963 bracketed): Atlantic Provinces, \$870,062 (16.1%); Quebec, \$10,693,005 (13.1%); Ontario, \$16,108,886 (10.9%); Prairie Provinces, \$5,188,064 (8.8%); and British Columbia, \$2,417,039 (12.9%). January-April totals, in thousands, were (percentage rises from a year ago in brackets): Atlantic Provinces, \$3,216,108 (15.0%); Quebec, \$39,399,411 (15.2%); Ontario, \$61,822,893 (15.1%); Prairie Provinces, \$18,813,005 (8.5%); and British Columbia \$8,686,835 (15.2%).

18. Credit Statistics Balances outstanding on the books of sales finance companies for both consumer and commercial goods, small loan companies for cash loans, department stores, furniture and appliance stores, and chartered banks for personal loans were larger at the end of April this year as compared to last; outstandings on the books of small loan companies for instalment credit were smaller.

End-of-April balances outstanding were (in millions): sales finance companies for consumer goods, \$890 (\$818 a year ago); sales finance companies for commercial goods, \$496 (\$446); small loan companies for cash loans, \$760 (687); small loan companies for instalment credit, \$48 (\$52); department stores, \$417 (\$385); furniture and appliance stores, \$188 (\$184); and chartered banks for personal loans, \$2,011 (\$1,671).

F O O D & A G R I C U L T U R E

19. Dairy Review Production of milk in May is estimated at 1,924,000,000 pounds (up 1.1% from a year earlier), placing the January-May total at 7,079,000,000 pounds (up 1.1% from a year ago), according to preliminary DBS figures. Revised data place milk output in April at 1,578,215,000 pounds versus 1,597,937,000 in April last year and at 5,154,875,000 pounds in the January-April period versus 5,100,467,000 a year ago.

April milk output was smaller than a year earlier in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Quebec, Manitoba and Saskatchewan, and larger in the other provinces. January-May totals were above year-earlier levels in all provinces except Nova Scotia, Quebec and Manitoba.

20. Egg Production Production of eggs in Canada (excluding Newfoundland) rose 1.1% in May to 37,341,000 dozen from 36,939,000 in May last year. Average number of layers was up 1.8% in the month to 24,565,000 from 24,132,000, while rate of lay was down 0.6% to 1,840 eggs per 100 layers from 1,851. Egg production in the January-May period increased 2.0% to 184,665,000 dozen from 181,000,000 in the corresponding period of last year.

21. Quarterly Stocks & Consumption Of Unmanufactured Tobacco, March 1964 Tax-paid withdrawals of cigarettes for consumption in Canada, as indicated by the sale of excise revenue stamps, decreased 8.0% in this year's first quarter to 9,152,344,000 from 9,946,629,000 in the first quarter of 1963, while withdrawals of cigars increased 29.1% to 111,110,000 from 86,032,000. Quarters' withdrawals of cut tobacco (including smoking and chewing) fell 14.7% to 4,742,000 pounds from 5,561,000 a year ago, plug tobacco (including smoking, chewing and twist) 9.2% to 248,000 pounds from 273,000, snuff 1.9% to 207,000 pounds from 211,000, and raw leaf 0.6% to 171,000 pounds from 172,000.

Stocks of unmanufactured tobacco at March 31 amounted to 234,371,734 pounds, smaller by 2.4% than last year's end-of-March stocks of 240,064,828 pounds; decreased holdings of flue-cured tobacco more than offset increased holdings of all other types. End-of-March stocks by types were: flue-cured, 206,026,515 pounds (212,906,694 a year ago); burley, 9,958,776 (9,729,204); dark (air-fire cured), 1,658,006 (1,579,473); cigar, 14,429,861 (13,645,137); pipe, 1,323,369 (1,245,733); and other, 975,207 (958,587).

22. Commercial Output Of Strawberries, Raspberries And Cherries In 1964 First DBS estimates in 1964 of the commercial production of strawberries, raspberries and sweet cherries indi-

cated that output of each of these fruits would be greater than in the preceding year. Year's estimates were: strawberries, 25,014,000 quarts (23,174,000 in 1963); raspberries, 12,953,000 quarts (11,907,000); and sweet cherries, 442,000 bushels (394,000).

*23. Pack Of Vegetables Cannery's pack of canned asparagus to the end of May this year amounted to 201,846 cases, including 85,822 cases in Ontario; data for Quebec and British Columbia are confidential. This is the first in a series of monthly packs of canned and frozen fruits and vegetables. Further data will appear in DBS Daily Bulletins of the following dates in 1964: July 30; August 28; September 30; October 29; November 27; December 29. Releases in this series in 1965 will fall on January 28, February 26 and March 30.

24. Fruit & Vegetable Preparations Production of fruit and vegetable preparations in this year's first quarter included the following commodities: maraschino cherries, 622,910 pounds (744,396 in 1963's first quarter); jams, 18,866,930 pounds (21,942,064); jellies, 2,152,322 pounds (2,182,060); marmalades, 5,114,271 pounds (5,666,408); baked beans and beans with pork (meat content less than 50%), 24,835,842 pounds (26,213,497); canned mushrooms, 2,032,670 pounds (1,705,864); pickles, 1,264,177 gallons (1,523,451); canned soups (except frozen), 6,735,759 dozen tins (6,200,019).

25. Sugar Output & Sales Production of refined beet and cane sugar declined 14.4% in May to 119,100,000 pounds from 139,198,000 a year earlier and 10.1% in the January-May period to 527,620,000 pounds from 587,024,000 a year ago. Total sales dropped 24.8% in the month to 141,874,000 pounds from 188,605,000 and 10.9% in the five months to 658,935,000 pounds from 739,568,000. Company-held stocks at the end of May were 26.8% larger than a year ago at 308,949,000 pounds versus 243,639,000.

26. Soft Drink Production Production of soft drinks in May decreased 7.9% to 14,445,296 gallons from 15,679,784 in the same month last year. Output was lower than a year earlier in January but higher in the February-April period, and production in the January-April period rose 1.7% to 64,687,002 gallons from 63,605,868 in the first five months of 1963.

PRICES

27. Index Numbers Of Farm Prices Canada's index of farm prices of agricultural products (1935-39=100) edged up 0.6% in May to 247.3 from the revised April index of

245.8. Higher prices for livestock and potatoes contributed to this gain; prices for poultry meat and eggs were lower.

Provincial indexes in May were: Prince Edward Island, 264.6 (211.4 in April); Nova Scotia, 238.1 (232.1); New Brunswick, 253.7 (223.6); Quebec, 271.6 (271.7); Ontario, 269.4 (268.3); Manitoba, 229.5 (229.6); Saskatchewan, 212.9 (213.4); Alberta, 236.3 (236.1); and British Columbia, 277.6 (278.7).

28. Public Libraries Canada's public libraries provided more than 15.5 million books in 1962 which circulated an average of 4.1 times each. This represented increases of 7.2% in stock and 8.1% in circulation as against 1961. Additionally, public libraries provided periodicals, pamphlets, films, filmstrips and other material for reference and home use. Full-time staff of libraries in 1962 was 2,962, almost one-quarter of whom were professional librarians.

Public Libraries In Canada, 1962

Province	Number	Books	Circulation	Current operating payments	Full-time staff
				\$	
Nfld.	3	315,082	704,410	177,808	39
P.E.I.	2	122,709	238,762	49,576	9
N.S.	13	424,956	2,074,138	756,334	102
N.B.	7	205,865	952,359	229,230	44
Que.	222	2,430,228	4,712,062	2,178,071	304
Ont.	315	7,636,775	35,781,670	11,950,924	1,556
Man.	18	501,818	2,833,385	915,080	138
Sask.	59	689,032	2,407,122	1,015,525	140
Alta.	144	1,286,105	5,394,473	1,599,679	223
B.C.	77	1,938,152	10,033,812	3,054,101	407
Yukon N.W.T.	14	29,637	11,380	4,767	-
TOTAL	874	15,580,359	65,143,573	21,931,095	2,962

MERCHANDISING

29. Department Store Sales Department store sales in the week ended June 13 were valued 3.0% below those in the corresponding period last year. Decreases were posted as follows: Atlantic Provinces, 7.5%; Quebec, 3.7%; Manitoba, 6.6%; Alberta, 9.8%; and British Columbia, 3.3%. Increases were: Ontario, 0.6%; and Saskatchewan, 4.6%.

30. New Motor Vehicle Sales Sales of new motor vehicles in 1963 reached an all-time high of 654,989 units, greater by 11.9% than 1962's preceding peak total of 585,210. Retail value of these sales increased 15.7% to a new high of \$2,062,039,000 from the previous high of \$1,782,916,000 set in 1962.

Passenger car sales set records both in volume and retail value in 1963 at 557,787 units and \$1,716,121,000; volume was greater than 1962's preceding high of 502,565 units by 11.0% and the retail value was up from 1962's previous record of \$1,482,407,000 by 15.8%. Commercial vehicle sales advanced 17.6% in number in 1963 to 97,202 units from 82,645 in 1962, but were down by 11.6% from 1951's record high of 109,962 units. Retail value of commercial vehicle sales increased 15.1% in 1963 to a new peak of \$345,918,000 from \$300,509,000 in the preceding year; previous peak was \$326,735,000 set in 1956.

Sales in 1963 of Canadian and United States manufactured vehicles totalled a record 600,634 units, up by 18.7% from 1962; sales of passenger cars rose in the year by 18.5% to 506,311 units and commercial vehicles by 19.9% to 94,323. Year's sales of overseas manufactured vehicles decreased by 31.6% to 54,355 units, passenger cars declining by 31.8% to 51,476 units and commercial vehicles by 27.5% to 2,879 units.

(Catalogue numbers and prices are shown following the titles. Starred items are releases for which no corresponding publications were issued this week).

- *1. Commodity Exports, May 1964
- *2. Manufacturers' Shipments, Inventories & Orders, April 1964
- *3. Steel Ingot Production, June 27, 1964
4. Refined Petroleum Products, March 1964, (45-004), 30¢/\$3.00
5. Raw Hides, Skins & Finished Leather, April 1964, (33-001), 10¢/\$1.00
- *6. Production of Leather Footwear, April 1964
7. Products Made From Canadian Clays, April 1964, (44-005), 10¢/\$1.00
8. Specified Domestic Electrical Appliances, April 1964, (43-003), 10¢/\$1.00
9. Cement, April 1964, (44-001), 10¢/\$1.00
- *10. Shipments of Dry Mops, Sleeping Bags, & Ice & Roller Skates, 1962
11. Passenger Bus Statistics, April 1964, (53-002), 10¢/\$1.00
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