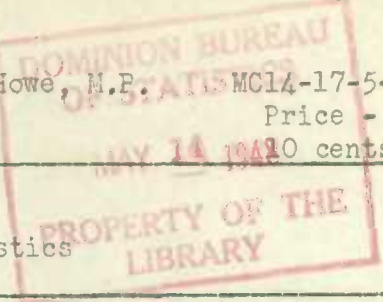


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STEEL WIRE - MARCH, 1948

Shipments of steel wire by Canadian producers amounted to 10,244 tons during the month of March, 1948. This total included 6,172 tons of plain wire, 2,781 tons of galvanized wire, 235 tons of other coated wire, 973 tons of barbed wire, 34 tons of cold rolled flat wire of all sizes, qualities and finishes, and 49 tons of welding rods and welding wire.

Table 1 - Production of Steel Wire in Canada, March, 1947 and 1948, and Three Months Ended March, 1947 and 1948

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	Tonnage made	Tonnage shipped	Tonnage made	Tonnage shipped
	(Tons of 2,000 pounds)			
<u>M a r c h</u>				
Plain wire	20,497	5,936	21,389	6,172
Galvanized wire	5,565	2,092	5,858	2,781
Other coated wire	511	357	272	235
Barbed wire	951	1,055	997	973
Cold rolled flat wire of all sizes, qualities and finishes	not available		43	34
Welding rods and welding wire	not available		50	49
<u>Three Months Ended March</u>				
Plain wire	59,734	16,980	60,052	17,673
Galvanized wire	16,506	6,628	16,517	7,367
Other coated wire	1,242	793	904	760
Barbed wire	2,683	2,833	2,625	2,930
Cold rolled flat wire of all sizes, qualities and finishes	not available		173	186
Welding rods and welding wire	not available		680	602



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Table 2 - Imports into Canada and Exports of Steel Wire, March, 1948, and Three Months Ended March, 1948

	March, 1948		Three Months Ended March, 1948	
	Pounds	\$	Pounds	\$
<u>I m p o r t s</u>				
Wire of steel, drawn flat or cold rolled flat after drawing, not more than .25 inch in width and less than .1875 inch in thickness, coated or not, n.o.p.	63,800	9,105	137,800	17,418
Wire of iron or steel, coated with zinc, n.o.p.	143,500	11,701	606,000	43,728
Wire of steel, valued at not less than 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ cents per pound, for the manufacture of wire rope ..	3,546,300	330,047	9,904,400	904,753
Wire of steel, single, not covered, in coils, for fishing operations, n.o.p. ....	...	955	...	4,014
Wire of rust or acid resisting steel, twisted or stranded, for commercial fishing operations ..	...	1,449	...	1,449
Wire, steel, for the manufacture of fencing ...	...	...	162,500	7,922
Wire of iron or steel, n.o.p.	1,196,900	111,201	4,259,100	369,432
<u>E x p o r t s</u>				
Barbed wire	200	31	200	31
Other wire of iron and steel .....	...	6,328	...	28,505

Note: "n.o.p." means "not otherwise provided for" in the statistical classification.

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