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AUTOMOBILE STATISTICS FOR CANADA

CANADA'S AUTOMOBILE OUTPUT SHOWED SLIGHT DECLINE IN APRIL

Production of automobiles in Canada during April totalled 21,502 in number and included 16,799 passenger cars, 2,709 trucks, 1,982 chassis and 12 taxicabs and buses. This output was 4 per cent below the production of 22,374 units in March, but was 13 per cent above the 19,059 units reported for April of a year ago.

Excluding chassis, taxicabs and buses, the production of passenger cars during the month under review numbered 16,799 as compared with 16,663 in the previous month, and 15,530 in April of last year. Closed car models showed an advance to 9,514 in number from 9,035 in March; April output of closed cars this year was 18 per cent greater than in April of a year ago. Production of open cars was slightly lower at 7,285 units as against 7,628 in the previous month, and 7,504 in April, 1925.

Cumulative production for the first four months of the year showed an advance of 34 per cent over the total for the same period in 1925. Output for the period included 57,066 passenger cars, 10,350 trucks, 10,719 chassis and 58 taxicabs and buses, making a total of 78,193 cars as compared with 58,088 cars in the same four months of last year.

Exports of motor cars showed a sharp decline in April when only 4,118 cars were exported as compared with 10,911 in March, and 8,438 in February. Imports have shown a steady increase since the first of the year and in April numbered 2,539 units as against 2,170 in March and 916 in February. For the first four months of the year imports of cars stood at 6,316 in number, production totalled 78,193, and exports numbered 28,626, giving an apparent consumption of 55,883 cars in Canada for the the year to date.

According to a statement issued by the Department of Commerce at Washington, April production in the United States totalled 432,903 cars and trucks as against 425,940 in March. During the first four months of 1926, production included 1,356,379 passenger cars and 162,461 trucks. In the same months in 1925, the output included 1,147,673 passenger cars and 148,922 trucks.

Table 1.- Production of Automobiles in Canada, April 1925 and 1926

Class	Number		Selling Value f.o.b. plant	
	1925	1926	1925	1926
			\$	\$
Passenger:				
Open -				
2 to 3 passenger	466	936	285,444	524,348
4 to 5 passenger	6,893	6,242	3,896,807	2,983,325
7 passenger	145	107	192,982	131,207
Total open	7,504	7,285	4,375,233	3,638,880
Closed -				
2 to 3 passenger	1,782	1,824	1,167,334	1,128,525
4 to 5 passenger	6,179	7,560	5,998,223	6,334,392
7 passenger	65	130	165,626	303,653
Total closed	8,026	9,514	7,331,183	7,766,570
Trucks:				
Under 1 ton capacity	328	571	168,976	232,828
1 ton	1,677	2,035	791,934	908,668
Over 1 ton and under 5 tons	34	103	73,742	222,972
5 tons and over	-	-	-	-
Total trucks	2,039	2,709	1,034,652	1,364,468
Chassis	1,459	1,982	496,088	677,716
Taxicabs and buses (not included above)	31	12	95,248	74,204
TOTAL	19,059	21,502	13,332,404	13,521,838

Table 2.- Cumulative Production of Automobiles in Canada, for the four months
ending April 1925 and 1926

Class	Number		Selling Value f.o.b. plant	
	1925	1926	1925	1926
			\$	\$
Passenger:				
Open -				
2 to 3 passenger	1,342	3,164	793,514	1,722,917
4 to 5 passenger	24,227	25,770	12,760,097	12,426,271
7 passenger	445	568	557,527	699,944
Total open	26,014	29,502	14,111,138	14,849,132
Closed -				
2 to 3 passenger	4,547	5,720	2,988,015	3,779,232
4 to 5 passenger	13,043	21,382	12,260,531	18,480,505
7 passenger	162	462	415,294	1,053,915
Total closed	17,752	27,564	15,663,840	23,313,652
Trucks:				
Under 1 ton capacity	1,218	1,815	549,623	776,317
1 ton	6,662	7,662	2,865,090	3,367,929
Over 1 ton and under 5 tons	115	873	269,519	1,119,598
5 tons and over	-	-	-	-
Total trucks	7,995	10,350	3,684,232	5,263,844
Chassis	6,277	10,719	2,111,409	3,188,360
Taxicabs and buses (not included above)	50	58	172,979	308,549
TOTAL	58,088	78,193	35,743,598	46,923,537

Table 3. Production, Imports, Exports and Apparent Consumption of Automobiles in Canada, by months, 1925 and 1926

Month	Year		Production	Imports	Exports	Apparent Consumption
January	1925	No.	10,668	482	5,191	5,959
		\$	5,731,005	485,124	2,286,404	3,929,725
	1926	No.	15,479	691	5,190	10,980
		\$	8,771,034	675,438	2,315,941	7,130,531
February	1925	No.	12,520	594	5,151	7,963
		\$	6,905,665	659,018	2,283,829	5,280,854
	1926	No.	18,838	916	8,438	11,316
		\$	10,497,436	914,790	3,792,576	7,619,650
March	1925	No.	15,841	1,209	7,591	9,459
		\$	9,774,524	1,312,342	3,274,817	7,812,049
	1926	No.	22,374	2,170	10,911	13,633
		\$	14,133,229	2,112,175	4,439,731	11,805,673
April	1925	No.	19,059	1,513	5,904	14,668
		\$	13,332,404	1,654,191	2,447,331	12,539,264
	1926	No.	21,502	2,539	4,118	19,923
		\$	13,521,838	2,198,931	1,928,908	13,791,861
TOTAL	1925	No.	58,088	3,798	23,837	38,049
		\$	35,743,598	4,110,675	10,292,381	29,561,892
	1926	No.	78,193	6,316	28,626	55,883
		\$	46,923,537	5,901,334	12,429,733	40,395,138

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