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AUTOMOBILE STATISTICS FOR CANADA

July 1927

Production of automobiles in Canada during July declined sharply to 10,987 cars. This output was 43 per cent less than the 19,208 cars produced in June which in turn showed a loss of 25 per cent from the May output. In July of last year production amounted to 15,208 cars.

Compared with the previous month there was a general decline in output of all types of cars with the exception of chassis which showed a slight increase to 461 from 424. The number of open model passenger cars dropped to 2,164 from 3,713; closed model passenger cars to 6,122 from 12,466 and trucks to 2,240 from 4,601. No taxicabs or buses were produced in July and only 4 were made in June. The sales value of all cars produced in July amounted to \$7,031,869 f.o.b. plant or 5.7 million dollars less than the sales value of the cars produced in June.

For the seven months ending June, production totalled 137,795 cars, a decrease of 2 per cent from the 140,086 cars reported for the corresponding period of a year ago. During the first seven months of 1925, production numbered 105,687 cars.

Decline in the production during the last month was considerably in excess of the normal seasonal decline, and it should be noted that although the outputs for the month and for the year to date were lower than during the corresponding periods of last year, it does not necessarily indicate an abnormal curtailment of production by all the motor car manufacturers in Canada. Output from most of the concerns was above the corresponding figures for last year, but one of the larger factories was engaged in making the necessary plant changes to take care of an entirely new model and the lowered output of this plant, covering a period of several months, has temporarily thrown production figures out of line with the general trend of the industry.

During July the apparent consumption of automobiles in Canada as determined by adding the imports of 3,946 to the 7,195 cars made for sale in Canada, amounted to 11,141 cars. For the first seven months of 1927 the apparent consumption, thus computed, totalled 127,173 cars.

Table 2.- Cumulative Production of Automobiles in Canada, for the seven months
ending July 1926 and 1927.

Class	Number		Selling Value f.o.b. plant	
	1926	1927	1926	1927
Passenger:			\$	\$
Open -				
2 to 3 passenger	5,892	3,879	3,090,900	2,025,542
4 to 5 passenger	43,689	25,540	19,687,364	11,726,067
7 passenger	758	795	964,428	832,827
Total open	50,339	30,214	23,742,692	14,584,436
Closed -				
2 to 3 passenger	10,793	9,891	6,904,990	6,114,106
4 to 5 passenger	46,819	66,217	38,780,213	51,871,146
7 passenger	660	1,434	1,509,445	2,378,232
Total closed	58,272	77,542	47,194,648	60,363,484
Trucks:				
Under 1 ton capacity	4,414	3,632	1,928,026	1,483,454
1 ton	12,490	11,997	5,436,994	4,720,142
Over 1 ton and under 5 tons	1,107	931	1,631,678	1,751,814
5 tons and over	-	-	-	-
Total trucks	18,011	16,560	8,996,698	7,955,410
Chassis:				
Passenger	6,839	6,591	2,283,014	2,437,167
Freight	5,840	6,640	1,438,682	2,404,926
Either passenger or freight	681	231	367,679	147,819
Total chassis	13,360	13,462	4,089,375	4,989,912
Taxicabs and buses not included above	104	17	505,317	82,534
TOTAL	140,086	137,795	84,528,730	87,975,776

Table 2.- Cumulative Production of Automobiles in Canada, July 1926 and 1927.

Class	Number		Selling Value f.o.b. plant	
	1926	1927	1926	1927
Passenger:			\$	\$
Open -				
2 to 3 passenger	578	264	250,878	146,901
4 to 5 passenger	4,880	1,898	2,152,426	798,417
7 passenger	1	2	1,880	2,568
Total open	5,459	2,164	2,405,184	947,886
Closed -				
2 to 3 passenger	1,219	620	755,621	416,618
4 to 5 passenger	5,938	5,475	4,339,059	4,355,378
7 passenger	49	27	106,670	53,654
Total closed	7,206	6,122	5,201,350	4,825,650
Trucks:				
Under 1 ton capacity	445	41	178,464	22,087
1 ton	1,545	2,052	648,948	765,019
Over 1 ton and under 5 tons	48	147	102,088	284,510
5 tons and over	-	-	-	-
Total trucks	2,038	2,240	929,500	1,071,616
Chassis:				
Passenger	177	433	88,194	171,072
Freight	283	20	94,343	9,935
Either passenger or freight	40	8	17,390	5,680
Total chassis	500	461	199,927	186,687
Taxicabs and buses not included above	5	-	23,319	-
TOTAL	15,208	10,987	8,759,280	7,031,869

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

Month and Year		Production		Customs' Records			
				Imports		Exports	
		No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value
January	1925	10,668	\$ 5,731,005	482	\$ 485,124	5,191	\$ 2,286,404
	1926	15,479	\$ 8,771,034	691	\$ 675,438	5,159	\$ 2,268,518
February	1925	12,520	\$ 6,905,665	594	\$ 659,018	5,151	\$ 2,283,829
	1926	18,838	\$ 10,497,436	916	\$ 914,790	8,438	\$ 3,792,576
March	1925	15,841	\$ 9,774,524	1,209	\$ 1,312,342	7,591	\$ 3,274,817
	1926	22,374	\$ 14,133,229	2,170	\$ 2,112,175	10,911	\$ 4,439,731
April	1925	19,059	\$ 13,332,404	1,513	\$ 1,654,191	5,904	\$ 2,447,331
	1926	21,502	\$ 13,521,838	2,539	\$ 2,198,931	4,118	\$ 1,928,908
May	1925	20,139	\$ 13,754,390	1,912	\$ 1,933,991	5,776	\$ 2,465,131
	1926	24,934	\$ 15,761,615	5,384	\$ 4,522,704	5,623	\$ 2,397,248
June	1925	15,420	\$ 10,257,403	1,618	\$ 1,670,646	6,107	\$ 2,473,652
	1926	21,751	\$ 13,084,298	4,904	\$ 4,203,858	4,584	\$ 1,823,366
July	1925	12,040	\$ 7,585,330	1,646	\$ 1,519,365	4,284	\$ 1,692,891
	1926	15,208	\$ 8,759,280	3,022	\$ 2,400,618	4,158	\$ 1,547,607
August	1925	8,963	\$ 6,632,309	1,431	\$ 1,402,794	4,444	\$ 1,817,209
	1926	15,285	\$ 10,137,389	3,083	\$ 1,512,122	3,080	\$ 1,696,762
September	1925	12,804	\$ 9,164,258	1,429	\$ 1,316,616	5,583	\$ 3,049,426
	1926	17,495	\$ 11,111,419	2,258	\$ 1,821,476	6,501	\$ 3,110,369
October	1925	15,113	\$ 9,297,690	1,211	\$ 1,068,960	7,976	\$ 3,916,180
	1926	14,670	\$ 8,672,578	1,483	\$ 1,319,718	7,546	\$ 3,353,787
November	1925	10,750	\$ 6,097,613	794	\$ 781,364	9,323	\$ 4,340,941
	1926	9,828	\$ 5,558,468	1,316	\$ 1,059,164	8,793	\$ 3,821,994
December	1925	8,904	\$ 5,009,160	793	\$ 744,898	7,047	\$ 3,294,636
	1926	7,752	\$ 4,208,490	764	\$ 740,698	5,642	\$ 2,797,736
TOTAL	1925	162,221	\$ 103,541,751	14,632	\$ 14,549,309	74,377	\$ 33,342,447
	1926	205,116	\$ 124,217,074	28,535	\$ 23,481,692	74,553	\$ 32,978,602

Table 4.- Production in Canada, Imports and Exports of Automobiles, by months, 1927.

Month		Production			Customs' Records	
		For Sale in Canada	For Export	TOTAL	Imports	Exports
January	No.	7,783	7,593	15,376	1,019	7,480
	\$	4,969,072	3,168,108	8,137,180	969,896	3,150,352
February	No.	12,627	6,028	18,655	1,567	5,321
	\$	8,109,993	2,687,206	10,797,199	1,418,505	2,555,274
March	No.	18,011	5,239	23,250	4,397	9,106
	\$	12,751,218	2,596,845	15,348,063	4,015,391	3,837,478
April	No.	19,229	5,382	24,611	4,917	4,087
	\$	13,989,319	2,528,561	16,517,880	4,217,202	2,157,191
May	No.	20,337	5,371	25,708	5,916	5,616
	\$	14,884,731	2,526,929	17,411,660	4,996,001	2,699,891
June	No.	15,608	3,600	19,208	4,621	4,614
	\$	11,208,935	1,522,990	12,731,925	3,889,311	2,332,731
July	No.	7,195	3,792	10,987	3,946	3,289
	\$	5,539,543	1,492,326	7,031,869	3,232,337	1,476,211
TOTAL	No.	100,790	37,005	137,795	26,383	39,513
	\$	71,452,811	16,522,965	87,975,776	22,738,643	18,209,128

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