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MOTOR VEHICLE SHIPMENTS

October - 1953

Factory shipments of Canadian-made vehicles totalled 35,898 units in October, 1953, compared with 35,021 units in the previous month and with 41,659 units in October, 1952. The shipments for the current month included 28,748 passenger cars, 7,091 trucks and 59 buses.

Table 1 - Motor Vehicle Production and Shipments (\*), October, 1953.

	Production during month	Factory shipments of made-in-Canada vehicles			Shipments of vehicles imported from United States
		For sale in Canada	For export	Total	
		(Number of units)			
(a) <u>Passenger cars -</u>					
Convertible cars:					
Coupe, roadster .....	---	2	---	2	28
Sedan, touring .....	---	---	---	---	---
Permanent closed cars:					
Coupe.....	1,669	1,566	11	1,577	76
2-door sedan .....	6,214	5,494	2	5,496	23
4-door sedan .....	19,752	16,069	3,297	19,366	222
Other closed .....	401	419	16	435	74
Chassis (sold without bodies)	1,847	---	1,872	1,872	---
Total passenger cars .....	29,883	23,550	5,198	28,748	423
(b) <u>Commercial vehicles, including trucks, buses and chassis</u>					
<u>Maximum gross vehicle weight</u>					
<u>-- in pounds --</u>					
5,000 and less .....	3,159	2,466	945	3,411	34
5,001 - 10,000 .....	1,083	933	95	1,028	83
10,001 - 14,000 .....	492	326	186	512	39
14,001 - 16,000 .....	1,566	562	912	1,474	6
16,001 - 19,500 .....	359	389	48	437	17
19,501 - 26,000 .....	184	202	---	202	16
Over 26,000 .....	27	27	---	27	44
Total trucks .....	6,870	4,905	2,186	7,091	239
Total coaches or buses .....	60	59	---	59	9
Total commercial vehicles ...	6,930	4,964	2,186	7,150	248
TOTAL PASSENGER AND COMMERCIAL ...	36,813	28,514	7,384	35,898	671

(\*) Includes military vehicles.

Note: Preliminary figures on sales of European-made vehicles during October, 1953, totalled 1,567 passenger cars and 124 trucks and buses.



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Table 2 - Motor Vehicle Shipments, Ten Months Ending October, 1953.

	Production during period	Factory shipments of made-in-Canada vehicles			Shipments of vehicles imported from United States
		For sale in Canada	For export	Total	
	(Number of units)				
(a) <u>Passenger cars -</u>					
Convertible cars:					
Coupe, roadster .....	1,622	1,628	25	1,653	1,989
Sedan, touring .....	---	---	---	---	73
Permanent closed cars:					
Coupe .....	21,497	20,958	127	21,085	3,495
2-door sedan .....	69,468	68,639	57	68,696	2,155
4-door sedan .....	208,276	184,497	23,354	207,851	11,310
Other closed .....	6,999	6,709	125	6,834	1,973
Chassis (sold without bodies)	11,931	2	11,834	11,836	---
Total passenger cars ....	319,793	282,433	35,522	317,955	20,995
(b) <u>Commercial vehicles, including trucks, buses and chassis</u>					
<u>Maximum gross vehicle weight</u> <u>- in pounds -</u>					
5,000 and less .....	55,812	47,460	8,283	55,743	751
5,001 - 10,000 .....	18,944	16,252	2,099	18,351	802
10,001 - 14,000 .....	5,168	3,722	1,440	5,162	226
14,001 - 16,000 .....	16,699	10,597	6,171	16,768	177
16,001 - 19,500 .....	8,168	7,803	132	7,935	300
19,501 - 26,000 .....	3,333	3,153	84	3,237	629
Over 26,000 .....	510	546	8	554	573
Total trucks .....	108,634	89,533	18,217	107,750	3,458
Total coaches or buses .....	256	243	---	243	13
Total commercial vehicles ...	108,890	89,776	18,217	107,993	3,471
TOTAL PASSENGER AND COMMERCIAL ...	428,683	372,209	53,739	425,948	24,466

Note: Preliminary figures on sales of European-made vehicles during the ten months ended October, 1953, totalled 24,700 passenger cars and 1,403 trucks and buses.

Table 3 - Factory Shipments of Made-in-Canada Vehicles, by Months, 1951-1953

Month	1951	1952	1953
(Number of units)			
January .....	39,204	34,232	35,894
February .....	40,592	32,448	42,904
March .....	47,779	34,209	51,990
April .....	41,060	46,908	52,420
May .....	42,911	42,690	50,590
June .....	36,229	41,110	49,900
July .....	30,294	34,314	48,691
August .....	21,833	22,853	22,640
September .....	29,861	41,065	35,021
October .....	32,462	41,659	35,898
Total ten months .....	362,225	371,488	425,948
November .....	29,461	31,340	
December .....	22,086	29,868	
Total .....	413,772	432,696	

See January issue for list of reporting firms.