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MOTOR VEHICLE SHIPMENTS

Factory shipments of Canadian-made vehicles totalled 17,249 units in August, 1954, compared with 26,128 units in the previous month and with 22,640 units in August, 1953. The shipments for the current month included 14,533 passenger cars, 2,634 trucks and 82 buses.

Table 1 - Motor Vehicle Production and Shipments (*), August, 1954

	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	475	698	5	703	273
Permanent closed cars -					
Coupe	203	419	4	423	1
2-door sedan	2,442	2,700	-	2,700	30
4-door sedan	8,029	8,888	1,508	10,396	274
Station-wagon type	120	127	16	143	57
Other models	-	-	-	-	160
Chassis (sold without bodies).	168	-	168	168	-
Total passenger cars	11,437	12,832	1,701	14,533	795
(b) <u>Commercial vehicles, including trucks, buses and chassis</u>					
Maximum gross vehicle weight - in pounds -					
5,000 and less	840	1,152	105	1,257	64
5,001 - 10,000	359	390	63	453	81
10,001 - 14,000	179	100	38	138	32
14,001 - 16,000	229	230	65	295	34
16,001 - 19,500	259	302	-	302	22
19,501 - 26,000	128	168	-	168	29
Over 26,000	15	20	1	21	46
Total trucks	2,009	2,362	272	2,634	308
Total coaches or buses ..	80	82	-	82	-
Total commercial vehicles	2,089	2,444	272	2,716	308
TOTAL PASSENGER AND COMMERCIAL	13,526	15,276	1,973	17,249	1,103

(*) Includes military vehicles.

NOTE: Preliminary figures on sales of European-made vehicles during August totalled 1,502 passenger cars and 126 trucks and buses.

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Table 2 - Motor Vehicle Production and Shipments (*), Eight Months Ended August, 1954

	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	13,595	13,373	144	13,517	5,643
Permanent closed cars -					
Coupe	5,512	5,338	170	5,508	46
2-door sedan	47,335	47,441	25	47,466	614
4-door sedan	146,213	142,163	5,572	147,735	5,856
Station-wagon type	5,624	5,515	105	5,620	1,190
Other models	-	-	-	-	1,504
Chassis (sold without bodies).	11,138	1	11,160	11,161	-
Total passenger cars	229,417	213,831	17,176	231,007	14,853
(b) <u>Commercial vehicles, including trucks, buses and chassis</u>					
Maximum gross vehicle weight - in pounds -					
5,000 and less	29,599	25,256	3,510	28,766	538
5,001 - 10,000	8,410	7,662	590	8,252	810
10,001 - 14,000	3,707	2,177	975	3,152	225
14,001 - 16,000	5,792	4,248	2,306	6,554	336
16,001 - 19,500	5,817	5,938	90	6,028	145
19,501 - 26,000	2,366	2,384	7	2,391	328
Over 26,000	376	336	1	337	355
Total trucks	56,067	48,001	7,479	55,480	2,737
Total coaches or buses	253	237	-	237	14
Total commercial vehicles ..	56,320	48,238	7,479	55,715	2,751
TOTAL PASSENGER AND COMMERCIAL.	285,737	262,069	24,655	286,724	17,604

(*) Includes military vehicles.

NOTE: Preliminary figures on sales of European-made vehicles during the eight months ended August, 1954, totalled 15,373 passenger cars and 1,124 trucks and buses.

Table 3 - Factory Shipments of Made-in-Canada Vehicles, by Months, 1952-1954

Month	1952	1953	1954
(Number of units)			
January	34,232	35,894	40,310
February	32,448	42,904	44,268
March	34,209	51,990	45,634
April	46,908	52,420	45,622
May	42,690	50,590	37,284
June	41,110	49,900	30,229
July	34,314	48,691	26,128
August	22,853	22,640	17,249
September	41,065	35,021	
October	41,659	35,898	
November	31,340	19,931	
December	29,868	33,770	
TOTAL	432,696	479,649	