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Production of automobiles in Canada numbered 11,769 cars in November. This output was 37 per cent under the total of 18,536 cars produced in the previous month but almost double the number at 6,617 cars reported for November of a year ago. November figures, as compared with data for October, were lower for all types of cars; output of open passenger cars dropped to 2,070 from 3,765; closed model passenger cars to 4,008 from 6,717; trucks to 347 from 630, and chassis to 5,344 from 7,424.

For the eleven months ending November 30, 1928 the cumulative production of automobiles in Canada totalled 232,957 cars with a sales value, f.o.b. plant, of \$146,502,561, an increase of 33 per cent in number and 27 per cent in value over the corresponding totals of 175,948 cars valued at \$115,273,764 for 1927. Of the cars made during the current year to date, 153,122 valued at \$112,004,539 were made for sale in Canada and the remainder, or 79,835 cars valued at \$34,498,022, were made for export.

Customs records show that the number of cars imported into Canada during November declined to 1,203 from 2,460 in the previous month, and exports dropped to 8,840 from 9,755. The apparent consumption of motor cars in Canada during November, determined by adding the imports of 1,203 cars to the 2,914 cars made for sale in Canada, amounted to 4,117 cars. For the year to date the apparent consumption, thus computed, totalled 199,330 cars.

Table 1.- Production of Automobiles in Canada, November 1927 and 1928.

Class	Number		Selling Value f.o.b. plant	
	1927	1928	1927	1928
Passenger:			\$	\$
Open -				
2 to 3 passenger	86	384	60,188	187,929
4 to 5 passenger	768	1,682	405,784	750,633
7 passenger	167	4	180,297	3,964
Total open	1,021	2,070	646,269	942,526
Closed -				
2 to 3 passenger	265	549	202,790	354,332
4 to 5 passenger	3,357	3,425	2,688,876	2,455,814
7 passenger	82	34	77,987	89,125
Total closed	3,704	4,008	2,969,653	2,899,321
Trucks:				
Under 1 ton capacity	51	274	37,636	107,837
1 ton	54	25	61,794	45,433
Over 1 ton and under 5 tons	89	48	142,204	68,655
5 tons and over	-	-	-	-
Total trucks	194	347	241,634	221,975
Chassis:				
Passenger	439	2,076	215,666	786,639
Freight	1,194	3,268	412,316	1,742,234
Either passenger or freight	56	-	43,920	-
Total chassis	1,689	5,344	671,902	2,528,863
Taxicabs and buses not included above	9	-	8,180	-
TOTAL	6,617	11,769	4,537,638	6,592,685

Table 2.- Cumulative Production of Automobiles in Canada, for the eleven months ending November 1927 and 1928.

Class	Number		Selling Value f.o.b. plant	
	1927	1928	1927	1928
Passenger:			\$	\$
Open -				
2 to 3 passenger	4,520	7,413	2,466,736	3,771,104
4 to 5 passenger	30,799	30,155	14,314,294	13,158,898
7 passenger	1,493	1,287	1,584,955	826,365
Total open	36,812	38,855	18,365,985	17,756,367
Closed -				
2 to 3 passenger	12,021	14,888	7,723,511	9,956,527
4 to 5 passenger	85,166	115,241	67,963,087	85,636,075
7 passenger	1,797	1,066	2,934,504	2,270,832
Total closed	98,984	131,195	78,621,102	97,863,434
Trucks:				
Under 1 ton capacity	3,771	3,229	1,584,176	1,525,179
1 ton	16,184	1,286	6,492,282	1,396,488
Over 1 ton and under 5 tons	1,683	1,728	2,928,587	3,235,665
5 tons and over	-	-	-	-
Total trucks	21,638	6,243	11,005,045	6,157,332
Chassis:				
Passenger	8,725	19,913	3,439,361	7,382,276
Freight	9,364	36,377	3,447,969	17,012,907
Either passenger or freight	396	330	278,194	259,158
Total chassis	18,485	56,620	7,165,524	24,654,341
Taxicabs and buses not included above	29	44	116,108	71,057
TOTAL	175,948	232,957	115,273,764	146,502,561

Table 3.- Production in Canada, Imports and Exports of Automobiles
by months, 1926 and 1927

Month and Year		Production		Customs' Records			
				Imports		Exports	
		No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value
January	1926	15,479	\$ 8,771,034	691	\$ 675,438	5,190	\$ 2,315,941
	1927	15,376	\$ 8,137,180	1,019	\$ 969,896	7,480	\$ 3,150,352
February	1926	18,838	\$ 10,497,436	916	\$ 914,790	8,438	\$ 3,792,576
	1927	18,655	\$ 10,797,199	1,567	\$ 1,418,505	5,321	\$ 2,555,274
March	1926	22,374	\$ 14,133,229	2,170	\$ 2,112,175	10,911	\$ 4,439,731
	1927	23,250	\$ 15,348,063	4,397	\$ 4,015,391	9,106	\$ 3,837,478
April	1926	21,502	\$ 13,521,838	2,539	\$ 2,198,931	4,118	\$ 1,928,908
	1927	24,611	\$ 16,517,880	4,917	\$ 4,217,202	4,087	\$ 2,157,191
May	1926	24,934	\$ 15,761,615	5,384	\$ 4,522,704	5,623	\$ 2,397,248
	1927	25,708	\$ 17,411,660	5,916	\$ 4,996,001	5,616	\$ 2,699,891
June	1926	21,751	\$ 13,084,298	4,904	\$ 4,203,858	4,584	\$ 1,823,366
	1927	19,208	\$ 12,731,925	4,621	\$ 3,889,311	4,614	\$ 2,332,731
July	1926	15,208	\$ 8,759,280	3,031	\$ 2,400,618	4,195	\$ 1,596,953
	1927	10,987	\$ 7,031,869	3,946	\$ 3,232,337	3,289	\$ 1,476,211
August	1926	15,285	\$ 10,137,389	3,083	\$ 2,412,122	3,080	\$ 1,696,762
	1927	12,526	\$ 8,781,279	3,490	\$ 2,840,386	4,684	\$ 2,270,806
September	1926	17,495	\$ 11,111,419	2,258	\$ 1,821,476	6,501	\$ 3,110,369
	1927	11,262	\$ 8,422,899	2,433	\$ 2,046,355	3,935	\$ 2,397,792
October	1926	14,670	\$ 8,672,578	1,488	\$ 1,319,718	7,582	\$ 3,405,566
	1927	7,748	\$ 5,556,172	2,156	\$ 1,811,153	3,562	\$ 2,148,321
November	1926	9,828	\$ 5,558,468	1,316	\$ 1,059,164	8,830	\$ 3,844,501
	1927	6,617	\$ 4,537,638	1,221	\$ 1,141,224	3,929	\$ 2,308,578
* December	1926	7,363	\$ 2,620,953	764	\$ 740,698	5,642	\$ 2,797,736
	1927	3,106	\$ 630,464	947	\$ 964,655	2,229	\$ 1,605,248
TOTAL	1926	204,727	\$ 122,629,537	28,544	\$ 24,381,692	74,694	\$ 33,149,657
	1927	179,054	\$ 115,904,228	36,630	\$ 31,542,416	57,852	\$ 28,939,873

* Errors in monthly production figures are compensated in December entries.

Table 4.- Production in Canada, Imports and Exports of Automobiles, by months, 1928.

Month		Production			Customs' Records	
		For Sale in Canada	For Export	TOTAL	Imports	Exports
January	No.	4,561	3,902	8,463	1,586	3,526
	\$	3,471,187	1,991,703	5,462,890	1,562,724	1,955,207
February	No.	9,082	3,422	12,504	2,644	4,128
	\$	6,795,570	1,646,636	8,442,206	2,428,070	2,076,430
March	No.	14,223	3,246	17,469	6,114	3,592
	\$	11,061,900	1,640,823	12,702,723	5,293,074	2,017,492
April	No.	17,533	6,678	24,211	5,150	3,656
	\$	13,690,539	2,871,515	16,562,054	4,485,845	1,766,965
May	No.	27,308	6,634	33,942	8,126	6,196
	\$	20,535,421	2,283,071	22,818,492	6,711,901	2,663,133
June	No.	21,113	7,286	28,399	6,315	5,653
	\$	14,282,728	2,833,165	17,115,893	5,046,723	2,388,685
July	No.	15,897	9,329	25,226	4,210	8,057
	\$	10,585,170	3,814,262	14,399,432	3,457,768	3,021,658
August	No.	19,941	11,304	31,245	4,753	11,043
	\$	13,934,534	4,771,117	18,705,651	4,056,210	4,247,789
September	No.	13,360	7,833	21,193	3,647	8,706
	\$	9,751,147	3,368,391	13,119,538	3,392,891	3,615,273
October	No.	7,190	11,346	18,536	2,460	9,755
	\$	5,594,391	4,986,606	10,580,997	2,153,082	3,982,475
November	No.	2,914	8,855	11,769	1,203	8,840
	\$	2,301,952	4,290,733	6,592,685	1,120,251	3,675,719
December	No.					
	\$					
TOTAL	No.	153,122	79,835	232,957	46,208	73,157
	\$	112,004,539	34,498,022	146,502,561	39,708,539	31,410,832

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