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MOTOR VEHICLE SHIPMENTS

Factory shipments of Canadian-made vehicles totalled 28,860 units in November, 1955, compared with 26,299 units in the previous month and with 18,176 units in November, 1954. The shipments for the current month included 25,399 passenger cars, 3,450 trucks and 11 buses.

Table 1 - Motor Vehicle Production and Shipments*, November, 1955

	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) Passenger cars					
Convertible cars	2,539	2,482	6	2,488	972
Permanent closed cars -					
Coupe	109	97	2	99	-
2-door sedan	4,644	4,612	3	4,615	59
4-door sedan	15,915	14,760	532	15,292	1,099
Station-wagon type	1,939	1,814	123	1,937	131
Other models	-	8	-	8	400
Chassis (sold without bodies)	960	-	960	960	-
Total passenger cars	26,106	23,773	1,626	25,399	2,661
(b) Commercial vehicles, including trucks, buses and chassis					
Maximum gross vehicle weight - in pounds -					
5,000 and less	1,630	1,327	252	1,579	132
5,001 - 10,000	420	523	32	555	125
10,001 - 14,000	180	129	11	140	24
14,001 - 16,000	670	455	195	650	25
16,001 - 19,500	416	425	-	425	19
19,501 - 26,000	58	75	-	75	34
Over 26,000	29	26	-	26	32
Total trucks	3,403	2,960	490	3,450	391
Total coaches or buses	11	11	-	11	1
Total commercial vehicles	3,414	2,971	490	3,461	392
TOTAL PASSENGER AND COMMERCIAL	29,520	26,744	2,116	28,860	3,053

* Includes military vehicles.

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Table 2 - Motor Vehicle Production and Shipments*, Eleven Months Ended November, 1955

	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) Passenger cars					
Convertible cars	28,214	28,701	77	28,778	8,463
Permanent closed cars -					
Coupe	13,338	13,390	65	13,455	151
2-door sedan	64,723	64,805	16	64,821	1,459
4-door sedan	210,797	199,218	10,783	210,001	11,269
Station-wagon type	15,251	14,190	894	15,084	1,840
Other models	6,381	6,355	3	6,358	2,854
Chassis (sold without bodies).	12,097	-	12,097	12,097	-
Total passenger cars	350,801	326,659	23,935	350,594	26,036
(b) Commercial vehicles, including trucks, buses and chassis					
Maximum gross vehicle weight - in pounds -					
5,000 and less	37,567	33,888	4,226	38,114	990
5,001 - 10,000	11,214	10,375	608	10,983	1,741
10,001 - 14,000	4,342	3,111	682	3,793	309
14,001 - 16,000	8,090	5,046	3,239	8,285	609
16,001 - 19,500	9,776	9,755	29	9,784	522
19,501 - 26,000	3,203	3,110	-	3,110	571
Over 26,000	600	446	2	448	538
Total trucks	74,792	65,731	8,786	74,517	5,280
Total coaches or buses ...	323	327	-	327	143
Total commercial vehicles.	75,115	66,058	8,786	74,844	5,423
TOTAL PASSENGER AND COMMERCIAL	425,916	392,717	32,721	425,438	31,459

* Includes military vehicles.

Table 3 - Factory Shipments of Made-in-Canada Vehicles, by Months, 1952-1955 (Including revisions to date)

Month	1952	1953	1954	1955
	(Number of units)			
January	34,232	35,894	40,310	29,403
February	32,448	42,904	44,268	31,827
March	34,209	51,990	45,634	32,380
April	46,908	52,420	45,622	66,944
May	42,690	50,590	37,284	60,882
June	41,110	49,900	30,229	56,685
July	34,314	48,691	26,128	48,067
August	22,853	22,640	17,249	25,014
September	41,065	35,021	13,982	19,077
October	41,659	35,898	10,624	26,299
November	31,340	19,931	18,176	28,860
Total eleven months ...	402,828	445,879	329,506	425,438
December	29,868	33,770	26,280	
TOTAL	432,696	479,649	355,786	