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AUTOMOBILE STATISTICS FOR CANADA

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Production of automobiles in Canada numbered 31,287 vehicles in February. This output was the highest reported for any February to date and was only exceeded in May of last year when the monthly record was established at 33,942 cars. This month's production showed a gain of 58 per cent over the output of 21,501 cars of the previous month and exceeded by 171 per cent the total of 12,504 cars produced in February of a year ago.

Data for February, when compared with the figures for January, showed higher outputs of all types of cars. The principal gain was in closed model passenger cars which advanced to 18,661 units from 10,525; open passenger cars rose to 4,730 from 3,649; chassis to 6,969 from 6,750 and trucks to 927 from 577.

Customs records for February show that 2,929 cars were imported into Canada during the month and that a total of 10,856 cars were exported during the same period. Corresponding figures for January showed an import of 1,780 cars and an export of 8,997 cars.

Of the total output during February, 21,016 cars were made for sale in Canada and 10,271 cars were intended for export. The apparent consumption of automobiles in Canada during the month, as determined by adding the 21,016 cars made for sale in Canada to the 2,929 cars imported, amounted to 23,945 cars. Comparative figures showing the number of cars available for consumption in Canada for the previous month totalled 13,285 cars and in February last year, 11,726 cars.

Table 1.- Number of Automobiles Produced in Canada during February 1929, and the two months ending February, 1928 and 1929.

Class	February 1929			Two months ending February	
	For Sale in Canada	For Export	TOTAL	1928	1929
Passenger:					
Open -					
2 to 3 passenger	807	351	1,158	397	1,855
4 to 5 passenger	586	2,984	3,570	3,028	6,522
7 passenger	2	-	2	143	2
Total open	1,395	3,335	4,730	3,568	8,379
Closed -					
2 to 3 passenger	1,976	141	2,117	1,542	3,535
4 to 5 passenger	14,649	1,865	16,514	11,195	25,597
7 passenger	30	-	30	226	54
Total closed	16,655	2,006	18,661	12,963	29,186
Trucks:					
Under 1 ton capacity	636	127	763	43	1,164
1 ton	46	-	46	39	135
Over 1 ton and under 5 tons	118	-	118	234	205
5 tons and over	-	-	-	-	-
Total trucks	800	127	927	316	1,504
Chassis:					
Passenger	292	1,901	2,193	487	5,183
Freight	1,872	2,902	4,774	3,557	8,534
Either passenger or freight	2	-	2	74	2
Total chassis	2,166	4,803	6,969	4,118	13,719
Taxicabs and buses not included above	-	-	-	2	-
TOTAL	21,016	10,271	31,287	20,967	52,788

Table 2.- Production in Canada, Imports and Exports of Automobiles,
by months, 1928 and 1929.

Month		Production			Customs' Records	
		For Sale in Canada	For Export	TOTAL	Imports	Exports
January	1928	4,561	3,902	8,463	1,586	3,526
	1929	11,505	9,996	21,501	1,780	8,997
February	1928	9,082	3,422	12,504	2,644	4,128
	1929	21,016	10,271	31,287	2,929	10,856
March						
April						
May						
June						
July						
August						
September						
October						
November						
December						
TOTAL	1928	13,643	7,324	20,967	4,230	7,654
	1929	32,521	20,267	52,788	4,709	19,853

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