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AUTOMOBILE STATISTICS FOR CANADA

MAY 1929

According to a statement issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa, the monthly figure on production of automobiles in Canada showed a decline during May for the first time this year, after reaching new high levels in March and again in April. Output in May dropped to 31,559 cars or 25 per cent below the record production of 41,901 cars in the preceding month and 7 per cent less than the 33,942 cars reported for May of a year ago. The total for May was 21 per cent above the Bureau's moving average for the twelve months ending May, computed at 26,055 cars.

Compared with the figures for April, data for May showed that the output of open model passenger cars dropped to 3,162 from 5,761, closed model passenger cars to 20,988 from 27,912, trucks to 1,012 from 1,422, chassis to 6,376 from 6,787 while taxicabs or buses remained about the same at 21 as against 19 in April.

Customs' records for May showed that 8,281 cars were imported during the month and 9,594 were exported. For the first five months of this year imports totalled 28,565 cars and exports aggregated 51,621 cars, an increase of 21 per cent in imports and 145 per cent in exports over the 23,620 cars imported and 21,098 cars exported during the corresponding period of 1928.

Of the total output during May, 24,439 cars were made for sale in Canada and 7,120 cars were intended for export. The apparent consumption of automobiles in Canada during the month, as determined by adding the 24,439 cars made for sale in Canada to the 8,281 cars imported, amounted to 32,720 cars. For the five months ending May the number of cars made available for use in Canada totalled 149,937 cars, an increase of 56 per cent as compared with a total of 96,327 cars during the first five months of last year.

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

Class	May 1929			Five months ending May	
	For Sale in Canada	For Export	TOTAL	1928	1929
Passenger:					
Open -					
2 to 3 passenger	823	197	1,020	2,588	5,473
4 to 5 passenger	527	1,615	2,142	9,325	15,898
7 passenger	-	-	-	1,251	38
Total open	1,350	1,812	3,162	13,164	21,409
Closed -					
2 to 3 passenger	2,846	83	2,929	6,836	13,916
4 to 5 passenger	16,393	1,617	18,010	56,708	91,075
7 passenger	49	-	49	725	240
Total closed	19,288	1,700	20,988	64,269	105,231
Trucks:					
Under 1 ton capacity	633	59	692	358	3,763
1 ton	112	-	112	118	728
Over 1 ton and under 5 tons	208	-	208	948	868
5 tons and over	-	-	-	-	-
Total trucks	953	59	1,012	1,424	5,359
Chassis:					
Passenger	149	809	958	5,052	8,422
Freight	2,687	2,731	5,418	12,479	26,406
Either passenger or freight	-	-	-	158	2
Total chassis	2,836	3,540	6,376	17,689	34,830
Taxicabs and buses not included above	12	9	21	43	40
TOTAL	24,439	7,120	31,559	96,589	166,869

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	1928	14,223	3,246	17,469	6,114	3,592
	1929	31,433	9,188	40,621	8,091	15,561
April	1928	17,533	6,678	24,211	5,150	3,656
	1929	32,979	8,922	41,901	7,484	6,613
May	1928	27,308	6,634	33,942	8,126	6,196
	1929	24,439	7,120	31,559	8,281	9,594
June	1928					
	1929					
July						
August						
September						
October						
November						
December						
TOTAL	1928	72,707	23,882	96,589	23,620	21,098
	1929	121,372	45,497	166,869	28,565	51,621

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