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## AUTOMOBILE STATISTICS FOR CANADA

FEBRUARY 1930

According to a statement issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa, the February production of automobiles in Canada numbered 15,548 cars as compared with an output of 10,388 cars in January of this year and 31,287 cars in February, 1929. After being adjusted for seasonal variation, the figures for February, 1930, were still 59 per cent below the normal, as indicated by the long term trend observed during the five-year period 1925-1929.

Production figures for February showed gains over January totals for all types except chassis which registered a decline to 2,723 units from the 3,172 units in the previous month. Open passenger cars advanced to 2,243 from 594; closed model passenger cars rose to 10,021 from 6,255; trucks to 539 from 365; and 12 taxicabs or buses were made in February as against 2 units of this type of car in the next preceding month.

Customs records showed that 1,893 cars were imported into Canada and 4,280 cars were exported during February. Corresponding figures for January indicated an import of 1,290 cars and an export of 2,997 cars.

Of the total output during February 10,388 cars were made for sale in Canada and 5,160 cars were intended for export. The apparent consumption of automobiles in Canada during the month, determined by adding the 10,388 cars made for sale in Canada to the 1,893 cars imported, amounted to 12,281 cars. Comparative figures showed that 7,557 cars were made available for consumption in Canada during the previous month and in February last year, 23,945 cars.

Table 1.- Number of Automobiles Produced in Canada during February 1930, and the two months ending February, 1929 and 1930.

| Class                                 | February 1930      |            |        | Two months ending February |        |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------|------------|--------|----------------------------|--------|
|                                       | For Sale in Canada | For Export | TOTAL  | 1929                       | 1930   |
| Passenger:                            |                    |            |        |                            |        |
| Open -                                |                    |            |        |                            |        |
| 2 to 3 passenger                      | 298                | 321        | 619    | 1,855                      | 717    |
| 4 to 5 passenger                      | 184                | 1,437      | 1,621  | 6,522                      | 2,117  |
| 7 passenger                           | -                  | 3          | 3      | 2                          | 3      |
| Total open                            | 482                | 1,761      | 2,243  | 8,379                      | 2,837  |
| Closed -                              |                    |            |        |                            |        |
| 2 to 3 passenger                      | 1,308              | 165        | 1,473  | 3,535                      | 2,035  |
| 4 to 5 passenger                      | 7,166              | 1,351      | 8,517  | 25,597                     | 14,195 |
| 7 passenger                           | 30                 | 1          | 31     | 54                         | 46     |
| Total closed                          | 8,504              | 1,517      | 10,021 | 29,186                     | 16,276 |
| Trucks:                               |                    |            |        |                            |        |
| Under 1 ton capacity                  | 267                | 54         | 321    | 1,164                      | 603    |
| 1 ton                                 | 82                 | -          | 82     | 135                        | 99     |
| Over 1 ton and under 5 tons           | 136                | -          | 136    | 205                        | 202    |
| 5 tons and over                       | -                  | -          | -      | -                          | -      |
| Total trucks                          | 485                | 54         | 539    | 1,504                      | 904    |
| Chassis:                              |                    |            |        |                            |        |
| Passenger                             | 140                | 605        | 745    | 5,183                      | 2,750  |
| Freight                               | 771                | 1,217      | 1,988  | 8,534                      | 3,131  |
| Either passenger or freight           | -                  | -          | -      | 2                          | 24     |
| Total chassis                         | 911                | 1,822      | 2,733  | 13,719                     | 5,905  |
| Taxicabs and buses not included above | 6                  | 6          | 12     | -                          | *14    |
| TOTAL                                 | 10,389             | 5,160      | 15,548 | 52,788                     | 25,936 |

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Table 2.- Production in Canada, Imports and Exports of Automobiles,  
by months, 1929 and 1930.

| Month     |      | Production            |            |        | Customs' Records |         |
|-----------|------|-----------------------|------------|--------|------------------|---------|
|           |      | For Sale<br>in Canada | For Export | TOTAL  | Imports          | Exports |
| January   | 1929 | 11,505                | 9,996      | 21,501 | 1,780            | 8,997   |
|           | 1930 | 6,267                 | 4,121      | 10,388 | 1,290            | 2,997   |
| February  | 1929 | 21,016                | 10,271     | 31,287 | 2,929            | 10,856  |
|           | 1930 | 10,388                | 5,160      | 15,548 | 1,893            | 4,280   |
| March     |      |                       |            |        |                  |         |
| April     |      |                       |            |        |                  |         |
| May       |      |                       |            |        |                  |         |
| June      |      |                       |            |        |                  |         |
| July      |      |                       |            |        |                  |         |
| August    |      |                       |            |        |                  |         |
| September |      |                       |            |        |                  |         |
| October   |      |                       |            |        |                  |         |
| November  |      |                       |            |        |                  |         |
| December  |      |                       |            |        |                  |         |
| TOTAL     | 1929 | 32,521                | 20,267     | 52,788 | 4,709            | 19,853  |
|           | 1930 | 16,655                | 9,281      | 25,936 | 3,183            | 7,277   |

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