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## AUTOMOEILE STATISTICS FOR CANADA

## MAY 1930

Production of automobiles in Canada during May at 24,672 cars was the greatest number reported for any month since May of last year when the output amounted to 31,559 cars. In May, 1928 , producticn totalled 27,308 cars and in May, 1927, it numbered 25,708 cars. The Bureau's monthly index number on motor car production, which makee due allowances for seasonal tendencies and is based on the long term trend, 1919 to 1927 inclusive, shows that output which started in January of this year at 40 per cent below normal gradually worked into an improved position until it passed the normal line in April and in May was 4.7 per cent above the normal for that month.

When compared with the data for April the figures for May show a gain in the output of all types of cars with the exception of trucks which dropped to 693 from 777. Open passenger cars advanced to 2,622 from 2,517, closed model passenger cars to 17,480 from 17,409 , chassis to 3.837 from 3,547, and 40 taxicabs and buses were made as against 7 of this type in the preceding month.

Customs' records ehow that the number of cars imported into Canada during May increased to 3,976 from 3,432 in April, while exports declined to 3,0ミ1 from 3,321.

O? the total cars produced in Canada during May, 3.193 were intended for export and the balance of 21,479 cars were made for sale in the Canadian market. The apparent consumplion of automoblles in Canada during the month, as determined by adding the 21,479 cars made for sale in Canada to the 3,976 cars imported, amounted to 25,455 cars. For the year to date the apparent consumption, thus computed, was 90,067 cars.

Table 1.- Number of Automobiles Prcduced in Canada during May 1930, and the five months ending May, 1929 and 1930.

| Class | May 1930 |  |  | Five months ending May |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | For Salo <br> in Canada | For Export | TOTAL | 1929 | 1930 |
| Passenger: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Open - |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2 to 3 paszenger |  | 41 | 1.336 | 5.473 | 4,086 |
| 4 to 5 passenger | $382$ | 897 | 1,279 | 15,898 | 6.295 |
| $?$ passenger | - | 7 | 7 | 38 | 15 |
| Total open | 1,677 | 945 | 2.622 | 21,409 | 10,396 |
| Closed - |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2 to 3 passenger | 3,223 | 29 | 3,252 | 13,916 | 10.626 |
| 4 to 5 passenger | 13,685 | 534 | 14,219 | 91,075 | 53,953 |
| 7 passenger | 9 |  | 9 | 240 | 126 |
| Total closed | 16,917 | 563 | 17.480 | 105,231 | 64,705 |
| Trucks: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Under 1 ton capacity | 252 | 55 | 307 | 3,763 | 1,925 |
| 1 ton | 253 | , | 254 | 728 | 729 |
| Over 1 ton and under 5 tons | 132 | - | 132 | 868 | 713 |
| 5 tons and over | - | - | - | - | 17 |
| Total trucks | 637 | 56 | 693 | 5,359 | 3,385 |
| Chassis: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Passonger | 274 | 835 | 1,109 | 8,422 | 5,993 |
| Froight | 1,934 | 794 | 2,728 | 26,406 | 11,021 |
| Either passenger or freight | - | - | - | 2 | - 24 |
| Total chassis | 2,208 | 1,629 | 3,837 | 34,830 | 17,038 |
| Taxicabs and buses not included above | 40 | - | 40 | 40 | 71 |
| TOTAL | 21,479 | 3.193 | 24,672 | 166,869 | 95,595 |

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

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