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AUTOMOBILE STATISTICS FOR CANADA

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Production of automobiles in Canada during August, at 9,792 cars, showed little change from the 10,188 cars made in the previous month but was 31 per cent less than the total of 14,214 cars reported for August of a year ago. The Bureau's monthly index on motor car production, which makes due allowances for seasonal tendencies, and is based on the long term trend 1919 to 1927 inclusive, moved from the minimum for the year of 48.2 per cent below normal in July to a slightly higher level in August when it registered 46.8 per cent below the normal.

When compared with the figures for the previous month the statistics for August showed lower outputs for passenger cars and trucks while gains were marked up for open passenger cars and chassis. Closed model passenger cars dropped to 4,766 from 6,332 and trucks declined to 307 from 394 while open passenger cars advanced to 1,663 from 1,609 and the number of chassis rose to 3,036 from 1,833. During the month 20 taxicabs or buses were made, the same number as in July. For the eight months ending August the cumulative production of automobiles in Canada amounted to 130,665 cars, a decline of 41 per cent from the output of 220,036 cars in the corresponding period of last year and 28 per cent under the 181,459 cars made in the first eight months of 1928.

A calculation of the number of cars made available for distribution in Canada during August, made by adding the imports of 1,136 to the 5,225 cars made for sale in Canada, amounted to 6,361 cars. For the year to date the number of cars made available in Canada, thus computed, totalled 118,037 cars as compared with an available supply of 190,151 cars during the first eight months of 1929.

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

Class	August 1930			Eight months ending August	
	For Sale in Canada	For Export	TOTAL	1929	1930
Passenger:					
Open -					
2 to 3 passenger	157	200	357	7,331	5,774
4 to 5 passenger	60	1,241	1,301	21,990	9,696
7 passenger	2	3	5	56	23
Total open	219	1,444	1,663	29,377	15,493
Closed -					
2 to 3 passenger	738	95	833	17,612	14,171
4 to 5 passenger	2,998	885	3,883	116,315	70,616
7 passenger	50	-	50	344	229
Total closed	3,786	980	4,766	134,271	85,016
Trucks:					
Under 1 ton capacity	142	88	230	5,010	3,048
1 ton	27	-	27	1,028	885
Over 1 ton and under 5 tons	50	-	50	1,328	950
5 tons and over	-	-	-	-	-
Total trucks	219	88	307	7,366	4,883
Chassis:					
Passenger	87	410	497	12,487	8,214
Freight	910	1,573	2,283	36,418	16,641
Either passenger or freight	-	256	256	2	280
Total chassis	997	2,039	3,036	48,907	25,135
Taxicabs and buses not included above	4	16	20	115	138
TOTAL	5,225	4,567	9,792	220,036	130,665

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

Month		Production			Customs' Records	
		For Sale 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	1929	31,433	9,188	40,621	8,091	15,561
	1930	16,244	4,486	20,730	3,805	6,360
April	1929	32,979	8,922	41,901	7,484	6,613
	1930	21,293	2,964	24,257	3,432	3,321
May	1929	24,439	7,120	31,559	8,281	9,594
	1930	21,479	3,193	24,672	3,976	3,091
June	1929	13,148	8,344	21,492	4,768	8,270
	1930	10,794	4,296	15,090	2,148	3,746
July	1929	9,529	7,932	17,461	2,828	7,378
	1930	7,191	2,997	10,188	1,476	3,588
August	1929	7,530	6,684	14,214	2,411	7,709
	1930	5,225	4,567	9,792	1,136	4,007
September						
October						
November						
December						
TOTAL	1929	151,579	68,457	220,036	38,572	74,978
	1930	98,881	31,784	130,665	19,156	31,390

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