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DOMESTIC ELECTRIC REFRIGERATORS

Production of domestic type electric refrigerators totalled 26,929 units in March, 1955, compared with 25,646 in March, 1954. Production of home and farm freezers totalled 1,002 units in March, 1955, compared with 716 in March, 1954.

Table 1 - Production, Factory Shipments and Factory Stocks of Domestic Type Electric Refrigerators

	March		Three months ended March	
	1954*	1955	1954	1955
	(Number)			
Stock at beginning of period	47,907	43,865	42,982	42,838
Production during period	25,646	26,929	60,835	63,508
Shipped during period -				
Newfoundland	68	75	68	144
Maritimes	1,940	2,192	3,302	3,506
Quebec	7,662	6,738	14,053	14,036
Ontario	15,204	12,544	29,827	30,827
Manitoba	2,108	1,758	3,650	3,563
Saskatchewan	792	1,109	1,761	2,275
Alberta	1,912	1,872	5,016	4,274
British Columbia	3,682	2,781	5,923	5,800
CANADA	33,368	29,069	63,600	64,425
Export	111	223	143	419
Stock at end of period	40,074	41,502	40,074	41,502

*Revised.

Table 2 - Production, Factory Shipments and Factory Stocks of Individual Electric Home and Farm Freezers, Domestic Type, All Sizes

	March		Three months ended March	
	1954	1955	1954	1955
	(Number)			
Stock at beginning of period	1,064	1,435	885	1,768
Production during period	716*	1,002	1,821	2,258
Shipped during period -				
Newfoundland	1	-	2	-
Maritimes	18	8	38	16
Quebec	67	83	155	148
Ontario	382	905	1,036	2,126
Manitoba	44	145	91	304
Saskatchewan	9	33	49	57
Alberta	19	12	47	81
British Columbia	43	11	90	39
CANADA	583	1,197	1,508	2,771
Export	-	-	1	15
Stock at end of period	1,197	1,240	1,197	1,240

*Revised.

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Table 3 - Imports of Refrigerators, February and Two Months Ended February, 1955

	February		Two months ended February	
	Number	\$	Number	\$
<u>Imports</u>				
Electric refrigerators, domestic or store, completely equipped or not	5,738	1,087,290	10,256	1,789,899
Refrigerators, other, equipped or not	36	1,229	76	7,633
Refrigerator parts	-	1,690,060	-	2,875,816
Home and farm freezers, electric	2,916	574,031	4,714	913,415

NOTE: March figures are not yet available.

Table 4 - Exports of Refrigerators, March and Three Months Ended March, 1955

	March		Three months ended March	
	Number	\$	Number	\$
Refrigerators and parts, electric*	441	73,625	1,921	205,143
Refrigerators, other, and parts*	-	-	-	-

* Value figures include the value of parts as well as of complete refrigerators. Also the figures include beverage coolers, etc., as well as complete domestic type refrigerators.