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DOMESTIC WASHING MACHINES

Production of domestic type washing machines totalled 19,512 units in March, 1954, compared with 22,823 in March, 1953. For the three months of this year the total was 49,188 units, a decrease of 25 per cent from the number made in the corresponding period of 1953.

Table 1 - Production, Factory Shipments and Factory Stocks of Washing Machines

	Stock at beginning of period	Made during period	Shipped during period	Stock at end of period
(Number)				
<u>March - 1953</u>				
Electric - Automatic	4,732	3,541	2,339	5,934
Conventional	17,340	18,706	20,119	15,927
Gasoline	1,212	576	739	1,049
Total	23,284	22,823	23,197	22,910
<u>March - 1954</u>				
Electric - Automatic	5,530	1,945	1,676	5,799
Conventional	22,356	17,044	17,579	21,821
Gasoline	1,196	523	570	1,149
Total	29,082	19,512	19,825	28,769
<u>Three months ended</u>				
<u>March, 1953</u>				
Electric - Automatic	3,520	9,393	6,979	5,934
Conventional	13,966	53,292	51,331	15,927
Gasoline	767	2,972	2,690	1,049
Total	18,253	65,657	61,000	22,910
<u>Three months ended</u>				
<u>March, 1954</u>				
Electric - Automatic	6,058	5,444	5,703	5,799
Conventional	22,142	42,156	42,477	21,821
Gasoline	1,135	1,588	1,574	1,149
Total	29,335	49,188	49,754	28,769

Note: Apartment type machines not included in above figures.

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Table 2 - Factory Shipments of Washing Machines, by Provinces

Province	March		Three months ended March	
	1953	1954	1953	1954
	(Number)			
Newfoundland	236	327	753	575
Maritimes	2,308	1,544	5,734	3,885
Quebec	5,345	3,935	13,624	10,742
Ontario	8,455	6,839	21,360	17,867
Prairie Provinces	4,526	4,664	13,573	10,944
British Columbia	1,951	2,224	4,701	4,753
Export	376	292	1,255	988
Total	23,197	19,825	61,000	49,754

Note: Apartment type machines not included in above figures.

Table 3 - Factory Shipments of Domestic Washing Machines, by Months, 1953 and 1954

	1953			1954		
	Electric		Gasoline	Electric		Gasoline
	Automatic	Conventional		Automatic	Conventional	
	(Number)	(Number)	(Number)	(Number)	(Number)	(Number)
January	1,985	13,746	852	2,318	10,569	435
February	2,655	17,466	1,099	1,709	14,329	569
March	2,339	20,119	739	1,676	17,579	570
Total	6,979	51,331	2,690	5,703	42,477	1,574

Table 4 - Imports of Washing Machines

	March, 1954		Three months ended March, 1954	
	Number	\$	Number	\$
Domestic, electric				
Domestic, power, not electric				
Parts				
				Not Available

Table 5 - Exports* of Washing Machines

	March, 1954		Three months ended March, 1954	
	Number	\$	Number	\$
Domestic, electric	342	35,825	1,007	109,755
Domestic, n.o.p.	-	-	4	200
Parts	-	22,022	-	60,489

* Customs clearances.