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FACTORY SALES OF ELECTRIC STORAGE BATTERIES

FEBRUARY - 1952

Sales of electric storage batteries and parts by principal Canadian producers were valued at \$1,530,654 during February, 1952 compared with \$1,455,292 during February, 1951. The sales for February, 1952 included 102,962 batteries at \$1,115,371 for the ignition of internal combustion engines for passenger cars and light trucks; 2,147 cells at \$22,235 for farm lighting plants; 847 cells at \$42,154 for railway service; batteries valued at \$275,853 for all other purposes, including telephone switchboards, direct motive power and ignition of internal combustion engines other than passenger cars and light trucks; and miscellaneous parts and supplies at \$75,041.

Table 1 - Factory Sales of Electric Storage Batteries, February, 1951 and 1952

Type	February - 1951		February - 1952	
	Number	Selling value at works \$	Number	Selling value at works \$
For starting and/or ignition of internal combustion engines:				
(a) Automotive type (Passenger cars and light trucks) ..	Batteries 114,875	1,162,380	102,962	1,115,371
(b) Other	Batteries ...	3,406	...	13,726
For farm lighting plants	Cells 1,315	18,188	2,147	22,235
For railway service	Cells 1,192	57,251	847	42,154
For all other purposes	172,101	...	262,127
Parts and supplies	41,966	...	75,041
Total	1,455,292	...	1,530,654

Note: Firms which report monthly account for more than 95 per cent of the total Canadian production of storage batteries. For a list of reporting firms please refer to the report for January, 1952.

Table 2 - Factory Sales of Electric Storage Batteries, Two Months Ended February, 1951 and 1952

Type	Two months ended February, 1951		Two months ended February, 1952	
	Number	Selling value at works \$	Number	Selling value at works \$
For starting and/or ignition of internal combustion engines:				
(a) Automotive type (Passenger cars and light trucks) ..	Batteries 240,553	2,464,681	235,543	2,612,086
(b) Other	Batteries ...	16,299	...	33,889
For farm lighting plants	Cells 3,483	35,194	4,526	48,164
For railway service	Cells 2,470	114,561	1,836	90,688
For all other purposes	401,017	...	501,128
Parts and supplies	96,524	...	130,654
Total	3,128,276	...	3,416,609

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