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## FACTORY SALES OF ELECTRIC STORAGE BATTERIES

MAY, 1952

Sales of electric storage batteries and parts by principal ~~Canadian producers~~ were valued at \$1,641,078 during May, 1952 compared with \$1,667,785 during May, 1951. The sales for May, 1952 included 117,102 batteries at \$1,212,651 for the ignition of internal combustion engines for passenger cars and light trucks; 2,117 cells at \$19,860 for farm lighting plants; 1,518 cells at \$70,611 for railway service; batteries valued at \$295,984 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 \$41,972.

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

Type	May, 1951		May, 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 132,641	1,312,081	117,102	1,212,651
(b) Other .....	Batteries ...	20,688	...	14,803
For farm lighting plants .....	Cells 2,041	18,877	2,177	19,860
For railway service .....	Cells 1,599	68,395	1,518	70,611
For all other purposes .....	... ..	190,765	...	281,181
Parts and supplies .....	... ..	56,979	...	41,972
Total .....	... ..	1,667,785	...	1,641,078

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, Five Months Ended May, 1951 and 1952

Type	Five months ended May, 1951		Five months ended May, 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 622,458	6,263,699	554,870	6,061,759
(b) Other .....	Batteries ...	55,868	...	89,926
For farm lighting plants .....	Cells 8,931	88,429	9,905	101,931
For railway service .....	Cells 6,931	311,627	6,473	278,919
For all other purposes .....	... ..	1,007,218	...	1,253,897
Parts and supplies .....	... ..	276,447	...	309,799
Total .....	... ..	8,003,288	...	8,096,231



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