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FACTORY SALES OF ELECTRIC STORAGE BATTERIES

NOVEMBER - 1953

Sales of electric storage batteries and parts by principal Canadian producers were valued at \$1,863,663 during November, 1953, compared with \$2,166,680 during November, 1952. The sales for November, 1953, included 152,418 batteries at \$1,495,409 for the ignition of internal combustion engines for passenger cars and light trucks; 2,853 cells at \$34,998 for farm lighting plants; 1,031 cells at \$48,606 for railway service; batteries valued at \$221,667 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 \$62,983.

Table 1 - Factory Sales of Electric Storage Batteries, November, 1952 and 1953

Type	November, 1952		November, 1953	
	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	186,411	1,860,752	152,418	1,495,409
(b) Other .....	...	2,470	...	2,520
For farm lighting plants	Cells 2,907	36,163	2,853	34,998
For railway service	Cells 1,636	57,397	1,031	48,606
For all other purposes .....	...	163,144	...	219,147
Parts and supplies .....	...	46,754	...	62,983
Total .....	...	2,166,680	...	1,863,663

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, 1953.

Table 2 - Factory Sales of Electric Storage Batteries, Eleven Months Ended November, 1952 and 1953

Type	Eleven months ended November, 1952		Eleven months ended November, 1953	
	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	1,515,133	15,640,498	1,570,923	14,941,692
(b) Other .....	...	152,631	2,770	36,325
For farm lighting plants	Cells 21,319	224,207	28,125	288,656
For railway service	Cells 15,028	604,303	13,865	585,833
For all other purposes	2,417,310	...	2,666,605
Parts and supplies	675,050	...	549,682
Total	19,713,999	...	19,068,793

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