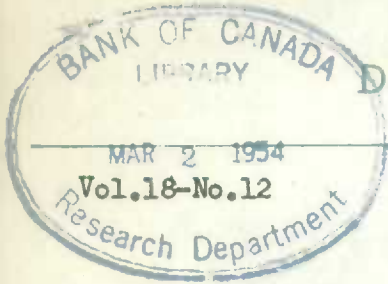


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FACTORY SALES OF ELECTRIC STORAGE BATTERIES

DECEMBER - 1953

Sales of electric storage batteries and parts by principal Canadian producers were valued at \$1,843,772 during December, 1953, compared with \$1,866,552 during December, 1952. The sales for December, 1953, included 138,864 batteries at \$1,367,681 for the ignition of internal combustion engines for passenger cars and light trucks; 2,780 cells at \$32,224 for farm lighting plants; 1,788 cells at \$82,712 for railway service; batteries valued at \$315,199 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 \$45,956

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

| Type | December, 1952 | | December, 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 | 150,968 | 1,518,418 | 138,864 | 1,367,681 |
| (b) Other | .. | 43,448 | .. | 7,315 |
| For farm lighting plants Cells | 1,936 | 26,421 | 2,780 | 32,224 |
| For railway service Cells | 1,527 | 57,264 | 1,788 | 82,712 |
| For all other purposes | .. | 174,531 | .. | 307,884 |
| Parts and supplies | .. | 46,470 | .. | 45,956 |
| Total | .. | 1,866,552 | .. | 1,843,772 |

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, Twelve Months Ended December, 1952 and 1953

| Type | Twelve months ended December, 1952 | | Twelve months ended December, 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 | 1,666,101 | 17,158,916 | 1,709,787 | 16,309,373 |
| (b) Other | .. | 196,079 | .. | 43,640 |
| For farm lighting plants Cells | 23,255 | 250,628 | 30,905 | 320,880 |
| For railway service Cells | 16,555 | 661,567 | 15,653 | 668,545 |
| For all other purposes | .. | 2,591,841 | .. | 2,974,489 |
| Parts and supplies | .. | 721,520 | .. | 595,638 |
| Total | .. | 21,580,551 | .. | 20,912,565 |

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