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FACTORY SALES OF ELECTRIC STORAGE BATTERIESFEBRUARY - 1953STATISTICS CANADA  
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Price \$1.00 per year

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Sales of electric storage batteries and parts by principal Canadian producers were valued at \$1,360,750 during February, 1953, compared with \$1,530,654 during February, 1952. The sales for February, 1953 included 120,757 batteries at \$1,109,131 for the ignition of internal combustion engines for passenger cars and light trucks; 1,425 cells at \$11,342 for farm lighting plants; 937 cells at \$40,143 for railway service; batteries valued at \$164,165 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 \$35,969.

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

Type	February, 1952		February, 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	102,962	1,115,371	120,757	1,109,131
(b) Other ..... Batteries	...	13,726	...	1,591
For farm lighting plants ..... Cells	2,147	22,235	1,425	11,342
For railway service ..... Cells	847	42,154	937	40,143
For all other purposes ..... ..	...	262,127	...	162,574
Parts and supplies ..... ..	...	75,041	...	35,969
Total ..... ..	...	1,530,654	...	1,360,750

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, Two Months Ended February, 1952 and 1953

Type	Two months ended February, 1952		Two months ended February, 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	235,543	2,612,086	247,924	2,412,895
(b) Other ..... Batteries	...	33,889	...	3,306
For farm lighting plants ..... Cells	4,526	48,164	3,450	31,470
For railway service ..... Cells	1,836	90,688	1,962	83,395
For all other purposes ..... ..	...	501,128	...	365,258
Parts and supplies ..... ..	...	130,654	...	75,590
Total ..... ..	...	3,416,609	...	2,971,914

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