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FACTORY SALES OF ELECTRIC STORAGE BATTERIES

July - 1953

Sales of electric storage batteries and parts by principal Canadian producers were valued at \$1,473,080 during July, 1953, compared with \$1,287,155 during July, 1952. The sales for July, 1953, included 130,364 batteries at \$1,194,011 for the ignition of internal combustion engines for passenger cars and light trucks; 2,223 cells at \$21,051 for farm lighting plants; 1,445 cells at \$58,308 for railway service; batteries valued at \$155,806 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 \$43,904.

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

Type	July - 1952		July - 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 102,582	1,028,732	130,364	1,194,011
(b) Other .....	... ---	599	---	3,518
For farm lighting plants	Cells 1,040	11,198	2,223	21,051
For railway service	Cells 792	34,810	1,445	58,308
For all other purposes .....	... ---	162,722	---	152,288
Parts and supplies .....	... ---	49,094	---	43,904
Total .....	... ---	1,287,155	---	1,473,080

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, Seven Months Ended July, 1952 and 1953

Type	Seven months ended July - 1952		Seven months ended July - 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 773,689	8,250,103	873,564	8,159,047
(b) Other .....	... ---	111,608	---	21,739
For farm lighting plants	Cells 12,815	129,325	16,779	153,757
For railway service	Cells 8,458	356,570	9,341	384,627
For all other purposes ---	1,680,188	---	1,754,956
Parts and supplies ---	405,857	---	306,414
Total ---	10,933,651	---	10,780,540

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