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FACTORY SALES OF ELECTRIC STORAGE BATTERIES

August - 1953

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Sales of electric storage batteries and parts by principal Canadian producers were valued at \$1,703,454 during August, 1953, compared with \$1,838,527 during August, 1952. The sales for August, 1953, included 143,360 batteries at \$1,414,141 for the ignition of internal combustion engines for passenger cars and light trucks; 1,920 cells at \$18,665 for farm lighting plants; 1,080 cells at \$46,568 for railway service; batteries valued at \$169,102 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 \$54,978.

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

Type	August, 1952		August, 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 152,103	1,527,202	143,360	1,414,141
(b) Other	---	12,001	---	1,995
For farm lighting plants	Cells 2,080	22,935	1,920	18,665
For railway service	Cells 1,101	47,799	1,080	46,568
For all other purposes	---	182,283	---	167,107
Parts and supplies	---	46,307	---	54,978
Total	---	1,838,527	---	1,703,454

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, Eight Months Ended August, 1952 and 1953

Type	Eight months ended August, 1952		Eight months ended August, 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 925,792	9,777,305	1,016,924	9,573,188
(b) Other	---	123,609	---	23,734
For farm lighting plants.....	Cells 14,895	152,260	18,699	172,422
For railway service	Cells 9,559	404,369	10,421	431,195
For all other purposes	---	1,862,471	---	1,922,063
Parts and supplies	---	452,164	---	361,392
Total	---	12,772,178	---	12,483,994

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