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FACTORY SALES OF ELECTRIC STORAGE BATTERIES

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Sales of electric storage batteries and parts by principal Canadian producers were valued at \$1,640,210 during October, 1949 compared with \$1,796,518 during October, 1948. The sales for October, 1949 included 151,916 batteries at \$1,339,328 for the ignition of internal combustion engines; 147 batteries at \$1,365 for motorcycles; 5,564 cells at \$54,654 for farm lighting plants; 1,262 cells at \$39,196 for railway services; batteries valued at \$162,386 for other purposes, including those for telephone switchboards, and miscellaneous parts and supplies for batteries valued at \$45,281.

Table 1 - Factory Sales of Electric Batteries, October, 1948 and 1949

Type		October, 1948		October, 1949	
		Number	Selling value at works \$	Number	Selling value at works \$
For starting and ignition of internal combustion engines	Batteries	148,921	1,424,191	151,916	1,339,328
For farm lighting plants ...	Cells	8,344	88,492	5,564	54,654
For railway service, car lighting and signal	Cells	851	27,207	1,262	39,196
For motorcycles	Batteries	118	1,069	147	1,365
For all other purposes, including telephone .....	...	...	172,610	...	162,386
Parts and supplies .....	...	...	82,942	...	45,281
TOTAL .....	...	...	1,796,518	...	1,640,210

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 February, 1949.

Table 2 - Factory Sales of Electric Storage Batteries, Ten Months Ended October, 1948 and 1949

Type		Ten months ended October, 1948		Ten months ended October, 1949	
		Number	Selling value at works \$	Number	Selling value at works \$
For starting and ignition of internal combustion engines	Batteries	1,119,982	9,737,712	1,128,597	10,246,533
For farm lighting plants ...	Cells	36,549	377,895	29,182	284,620
For railway service, car lighting and signal	Cells	8,344	254,008	14,508	546,179
For motorcycles	Batteries	2,460	15,884	957	9,380
For all other purposes, including telephone	1,625,418	...	1,438,925
Parts and supplies	615,616	...	418,385
TOTAL	12,626,533	...	12,944,022

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