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## MONTHLY REPORT

CEMENT, CLAY PRODUCTS and LIME - JUNE, 1939.

CEMENT - Portland cement shipments by Canadian producers rose to 727,842 barrels from the preceding month's total of 550,890 barrels, according to a report just issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa. In June, a year ago, 750,691 barrels were shipped. During the first six months of the current year shipments totalled 1,995,618 barrels or 8.1 per cent below the total for the corresponding months of 1938.

Canada exported 7,505 barrels of Portland cement in June compared with 12,247 barrels in the preceding month. Exports to the end of June, this year, aggregated 22,965 barrels.

Imports of cement into Canada in June amounted to 2,352 barrels valued at \$9,149, making the total for the first six months 7,069 barrels valued at \$26,785.

## PRODUCTION(a) OF CEMENT IN CANADA

Month	1939(b)	1938	1937
	Barrels	Barrels	Barrels
January .....	115,533	132,553	97,737
February .....	118,605	143,761	101,651
March .....	208,779	233,811	210,738
April .....	273,969	364,895	373,603
May .....	550,890	546,507	559,937
June .....	727,842	750,691	756,253
July .....		645,839	836,669
August .....		713,315	913,533
September .....		702,866	942,196
October .....		711,694	774,385
November .....		397,938	414,803
December .....		175,232	137,466
TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR .....		5,519,192	6,168,971
TOTAL - SIX MONTHS ending JUNE .....	1,995,618	2,172,218	2,099,919

(a) Quantity shipped plus cement used by producer and includes only Portland cement made from Canadian raw materials.

(b) Subject to revision.

CLAY PRODUCTS - Sales of clay products (produced from domestic clays) in June were valued at \$483,535; the May sales were worth \$396,422 while the June, 1938, sales were valued at \$471,313. During the first six months of 1939 the value of sales of these commodities was \$1,589,425 or 7.1 per cent below the valuation for the corresponding period of 1938.

Clay and its products exported from Canada in June were appraised at \$26,041 as against the May total of \$63,737.

Importations of clay and its products into Canada were valued at \$655,528 in June or 17.1 per cent below the May valuation. Receipts during the first half of the current year were worth \$3,551,378.



PRODUCTION(a) OF CLAY PRODUCTS FROM DOMESTIC SLAYS IN CANADA

Month	1939(b)	1938	1937
	\$	\$	\$
January.....	158,028	156,674	145,002
February.....	125,624	159,678	136,463
March.....	190,296	216,803	191,150
April.....	235,520	291,640	309,848
May.....	396,422	414,853	405,229
June.....	483,535	471,313	517,141
July.....	479,817	516,720	542,545
August.....		558,374	517,652
September.....		535,822	528,676
October.....		537,247	498,759
November.....		437,059	470,211
December.....		239,901	254,183
TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR.....		4,536,084	4,516,859
TOTAL - SEVEN MONTHS ending JULY.....	2,069,242	2,227,681	2,247,378

(a) Value of sales plus the value of any clay products used by producer.

(b) Subject to revision.

LIME - A five per cent increase was shown in the tonnage of lime sold or used by Canadian producers in July compared with the corresponding month of 1938; the totals were 42,249 tons and 40,247 tons, respectively. During the seven months ending July shipments totalled 275,252 tons; a year ago, 271,590 tons were shipped.

Customs' records show that 517 tons of building lime were exported from Canada in July as against 496 tons in the previous month. Exports of other lime rose to 289 tons from the June total of 229 tons.

Imports of lime in July amounted to 463 tons with a valuation of \$2396; in June, 624 tons worth \$3467 were imported.

PRODUCTION (a) OF LIME IN CANADA

Month	1939(b)	1938	1937
	tons	tons	tons
January.....	36,242	33,617	40,439
February.....	32,892	33,390	42,082
March.....	37,282	39,915	48,027
April.....	38,597	40,294	49,259
May.....	43,549	42,943	51,162
June.....	44,441	41,184	48,680
July.....	42,249	40,247	47,317
August.....		42,372	45,589
September.....		41,563	43,537
October.....		47,792	48,586
November.....		45,561	47,532
December.....		38,044	37,143
TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR.....		486,922	549,353
TOTAL - SEVEN MONTHS ending JULY.....	275,252	271,590	326,966

(a) Quantity shipped plus lime used by producer.

(b) Subject to revision.





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