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MONTHLY REPORTCEMENT, CLAY PRODUCTS and LIME - AUGUST, 1939.

CEMENT - Canadian producers shipped 841,736 barrels of Portland cement in August; during the preceding month, 735,984 barrels were shipped while in August, 1938 shipments totalled 713,315 tons according to a report just issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa. Shipments during the first eight months of the current year aggregated 3,573,338 barrels or 1.2 per cent above the quantity shipped a year ago.

Portland cement exports in August were recorded at 5,628 barrels compared with 6,978 barrels in the previous month. During the period, January to August, 1939, Canada exported 35,572 barrels; in the corresponding period, a year ago, 39,787 barrels were exported.

Imports of cement into Canada in August rose to 3,301 barrels worth \$8,253 from the July total of 1,997 barrels at \$5,299. Belgium supplied 68.2 per cent of the August imports.

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 .....	735,984	645,839	836,669
August .....	841,736	713,315	913,533
September .....		702,866	942,196
October .....		711,694	774,385
November .....		397,938	414,803
December .....		175,232	187,466
TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR .....		5,519,102	6,168,971
TOTAL - EIGHT MONTHS ending AUGUST .	3,573,338	3,531,372	3,850,121

(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) by Canadian producers were valued at \$521,341 in August as against the July total of \$479,817 and the August, 1938 total of \$558,374. During the first eight months of the current year, sales were worth \$2,590,583; this represented a decline of 7 per cent from the sales, a year ago.

Exports of clay and its products from Canada in August were valued at \$39,198; the July exports were 11 per cent higher at \$43,502.

Imports of clay and its products into Canada were appraised at \$671,690 compared with \$656,786 in the preceding month. Receipts during the eight months ending August were valued at \$4,879,854.



PRODUCTION (a) OF CLAY PRODUCTS FROM DOMESTIC CLAYS 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 .....	521,341	558,374	517,652
September .....	533,956	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 - NINE MONTHS ending SEPTEMBER .....	3,124,539	3,321,877	3,293,706

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

(b) Subject to revision.

LIME - Canadian producers sold or used 47,696 tons of lime in September compared with 45,894 tons in August and, 41,563 tons in September, 1938. During the first nine months of the current year, 368,842 tons were shipped from Canadian kilns; this represented an increase of 3.7 per cent over the tonnage shipped a year ago.

Exports of building lime in September rose to 583 tons from the preceding month's total of 348 tons. Other lime exports amounted to 235 tons as against 706 tons in August.

Lime importations in September declined to 429 tons worth \$2,528 from the August total of 303 tons at \$3,519.

PRODUCTION (a) OF LIME IN CANADA (Short tons)

Month	1939 (b)				1938	1937
	Quicklime		Hydrated Lime		Total	
	Sold	Used	Sold	Used	Lime	
January .....	14,109	17,813	4,276	44	36,242	40,439
February .....	12,221	16,601	4,028	42	32,892	42,082
March .....	14,571	17,360	5,292	59	37,282	48,027
April .....	14,407	17,232	6,924	34	38,597	49,259
May .....	17,333	19,274	6,881	61	43,549	51,162
June .....	18,587	18,610	7,177	67	44,441	48,680
July .....	17,393	18,706	6,119	31	42,249	47,317
August .....	18,825	20,491	6,494	84	45,894	45,589
September .....	18,266	23,104	6,253	73	47,696	43,537
October .....					47,792	48,586
November .....					45,561	47,532
December .....					38,044	37,143
TOTAL .....					486,922	549,353
TOTAL NINE MONTHS .....	145,712	169,191	53,444	495	368,842	416,092

(a) Quantity shipped plus lime used by producer.

(b) Subject to revision.





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