

CEMENT - Portland cement sinfments from Canadian plants advgnçad to 252,483 barrels from the preceding month's total of 204, 287 barrels and the March/total of 208,779 barrels, according to a report just issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottava. Shipments during the first quarter of 1940 aggregated 647,345 barrels compared with 442,917 barrels a year ago.

Exports of cement from Canada in March amounted to 1,928 barrels; during the previous month, 5,951 barrels were exported. Exportations during the first tiree montis totalled 7,957 barrels as aghinst 3,190 barrcls in the corresponding perioc of 1939 .

Canada imported 578 barrels of cement worth $\$ 5,678$ from the United Statos during March. Receipts during the first quarter emounted to 1,750 barrels appraised at $\$ 9,851$.

| Month | 1940(b) | 1939(b) | 1938 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Barrels | Barrels | Barrels |
| January | 190,575 | 115,533 | 132,553 |
| February | 204,287 | 113,605 | 143,761 |
| Sarch | 252,483 | 208,779 | 233,811 |
| April |  | 273,969 | 364,805 |
| May . |  | 550,890 | 546,507 |
| June |  | 7^7,842 | 750,691 |
| July . |  | 735,984 | 645,839 |
| August .. |  | 841,736 | 713,315 |
| Sentember |  | 852,197 | 702,866 |
| October |  | 681,218 | 711,694 |
| November |  | 421,569 | 397,938 |
| December ....... |  | 205,603 | 175,232 |
| TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR |  | 5,733,925 | 5,519,102 |
| TOTAL - THREE MONTHS ending March ...... | 647,345 | 442,917 | 510,125 |

(a) Quantity shipped plus cement used by producer and includes only Portland cement made from Canadien rair materials.
(b) Subject to revision.

CLAY PRODUCTS - The value of the seles of clay and clay products (produced from domestic clay) during March was recorded at $\$ 299,208$ compared with $\$ 204,238$ in February end $\$ 190,96$ in March, 1939. Solos during the first three months of 1940 were valued at $\$ 618,240$ or 30.4 per cont above the totell for the corresponding quarter of 1930 .

The Canadian exports of cley and clay projucts in March were apnraised at $\$ 2 \%, 549$; this represerted a 71.4 per cent advince over the February exportations.

An increase of 18 per cent was recorded in tine imports of clay and its products during March; the montin's receipts vore worth $\$ 331,615$ compared with $\$ 701,860$ in the preceding month.

| irontil | 1940(b) | 1939 (b) | 1938 |
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|  | \% | 6 | \$ |
| Janu®ry ..................................... | 214,744 | 158,028 | 156,674 |
| February | 204,283 | 12.5,624 | 153,678 |
| March ... | 199,208 | 190,296 | 216,803 |
| April | 330,781 | 235,520 | 291,610 |
| May |  | 396,422 | 414, 858 |
| June |  | 483,535 | 471,313 |
| July |  | 479,817 | 516,720 |
| August |  | 521,311 | 558,374 |
| September |  | 533,956 | 535,822 |
| October . |  | 529,843 | 537,247 |
| November |  | 468,040 | 437,059 |
| December |  | 307,206 | 239,001 |
| total - calendar yenr |  | 4,429,628 | 4,536,084 |
| TOTAL - FOUR MONTHS ending APRIL . . | 949,024 | 709,468 | 824,795 |

(a) Value of siles plus the value of eny clay products usod by producer.
(b) Subject to revision.

LIME - The total quantity of lime sold or used by Canadien producers in April smounted to 56,994 tons; the preceding month's totall was 54,040 tons while the April, 1939 total vas 39,308 tons. During the four months ending fpril, shipments from the kilns mere recorded at 210,363 tons or 42.2 per cont above the tonnage shipped a year ago.

Exports of building lime from Canada in April declined to 345 tons from the March oxportations of 731 tons. Other lime exports ross to 2,085 tons; in tine precoding month, 616 tons rere exported.

Sixty-three tons of lime appraised at 5519 were imported into Conada in April as against 314 tons morth 1,666 in the previous month. Receipts during the period Jenuary to ippril totalled 1,292 tons at $\$ 6,996$.

PRODUCIION(a) OF LIME IN CANADA: (Short tons)


| January ... 18,057 | 14,611 | 27,437 | 18,182 | 6,358 | 4,338 | 13 | 44 | 51, 863 | 37,175 | 35, 617 |
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| February .. 16,346 | 12,573 | 25,055 | 16,860 | 6,047 | 4,06? | 24 | 42 | 47,472 | 33,537 | 33,390 |
| March ..... 19,554 | 15,034 | 27,567 | 17,492 | 6,895 | 5,336 | 24 | 59 | 51,040 | 37,921 | 39,915 |
| Apri1 ..... 21,015 | 14,895 | 26,962 | 17,362 | 8,159 | 7,017 | 58 | $3{ }^{1}$ | 56,99 $¢$ | 39,308 | 40,294 |
| May ....... | 17,990 |  | 19,376 |  | 6,903 |  | 61 |  | 44,353 | 42,945 |
| June | 19,374 |  | 18,955 |  | 7,28? |  | 67 |  | 45,683 | 41,194 |
| July | 18,147 |  | 17,796 |  | 7,527 |  | 31 |  | 42,501 | 40, 212 |
| iugust | 19,639 |  | 19,566 |  | 7,32\% |  | 84 |  | 47,112 | 42,372 |
| September.. | 1.8,994 |  | 22,147 |  | 7,536 |  | 73 |  | 18,750 | 41,563 |
| October | 19,176 |  | 31,223 |  | 7,216 |  | 59 |  | 57,654 | 47,792 |
| November | 20,975 |  | 33,082 |  | 6,806 |  | 11 |  | 60,904 | 45,561 |
| December | 19,552 |  | 31,743 |  | 1,966 |  | $\therefore$ |  | 56,305 | 38,044 |
| TOTAL - |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| CILENDAR YEAR | 210,969 |  | 263,784 |  | 76,837 |  | 619 |  | 55k, 209 | 486,222 |

TOTAL - FOUR
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APRIL $\ldots . .75,772 \quad 57,113107,021 \quad 69,396 \quad 27, \therefore 5720,753119179210,369147,941147,216$
(a) Quantity shipped plus lime used by producer. The 1940 data are subject to rovision.

