

Shipments to customers by Canadian manufacturers of Portland cement totalled 790,357 barrels in February, 1950 compared with 652,769 barrels in the previous month. In 1949, the February shipments amounted to 908,307 barrels as against 621,044 barrels in the previous month. Actual production for February, 1950 was $1,109,195$ barrels compared with $1,103,605$ barrels in the corresponding month of 1949.

Table 1 - Production, Shipments and Stocks of Portland Cement, February and Year to Date 1949 and 1950

|  | February |  | Year to Date |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1949 | 1950 | 1949 | 1950 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Stocks at plants and warohouses at beginning of period ...... | 1,099,406 | 1,411,993 | 600,368 | 812,408 |
| Production . | 1,103,605 | 1,109,195 | 2,225,264 | 2,361,700 |
| Shipments to customers ........ | 908,307 | 790,357 | 1,529,351 | 1,443,126 |
| Used at plants | 1,757 | 143 | 3,334 | 294 |
| Stocks at plants and warehouses at end of period ............. | 1,292,347 | 1,730,668 | 1,292,947 | 1,730,668 |
| Exports | 1,195 |  | 1,835 | 50 |
| Imports . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 4,209 | 1,661 | 12,340 | 21,906 |

## Imports for January amounted to 10,245 barrels.

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The February output of concrete building materials included the following items: brick, 1,507,314 pieces; hollow blocks, 1,825,559 pieces; cinder blocks, 562,816 pieces; chimney blocks, 19,336 pieces; and pipe, 8,321 tons. These figures represent production by 107 of the principal manufacturers which normally account for 85 per cent of the total Canadian output of concrete products.

Table 2 - Production and Factory Shipments of Specified Concrete Products, February, 1949 and 1950

|  | 49 |  | 1950 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Quantity Quantity |  | Quantity | Quantity |
|  | made | shipped | made | shipped |
|  | during | during | during | during |
|  | period | period | period | period |

## February

| te brich | 860,863 | 794,554 | 1,507,314 | 1,140,281 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Concrete block: Solid | 2,909 | 1,918 | 4,622 | 4,541 |
| Hollow | 2,023,272 | 1,430,482 | 1,825,559 | 1,292,729 |
| Cinder | 1,008,654 | 872,347 | 562,816 | 526,382 |
| Concrete chimmey blocks | 6,830 | 6,519 | 19,336 | 9,758 |
| Cement drain pipe, sewer pipe, |  |  |  |  |
| weter pipe and culvert tile | 8,021 | 3,791 | 8,321 | 5,047 |

## Two Months Ended February



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2,587,301 & 1,718,708 \\
6,022 & 8,615 \\
4,089,426 & 2,907,116 \\
2,019,470 & 1,744,467 \\
13,367 & 11,019 \\
14,897 & 8,576
\end{array}
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15,083
9,187

