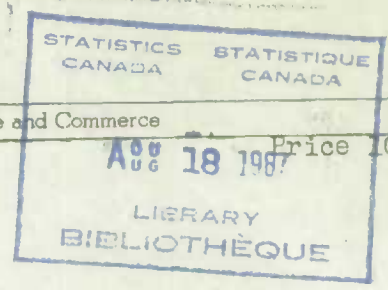


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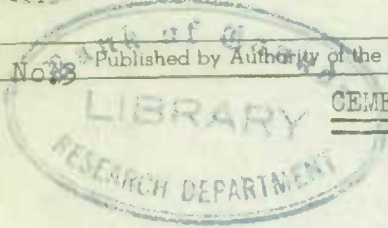


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Shipments to customers by Canadian manufacturers of Portland cement totalled 1,232,931 barrels in March 1950 compared with 790,357 barrels in the previous month. In 1949, the March shipments amounted to 1,402,176 barrels as against 908,307 barrels in the previous month. Actual production for March, 1950 was 1,302,820 barrels compared with 1,339,704 barrels in the corresponding month of 1949.

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

	March		Year to Date	
	1949	1950	1949	1950
	(barrels)			
Stocks at plants and warehouses at beginning of period	1,292,947	1,730,688	600,368	812,408
Production	1,339,704	1,302,820	3,564,968	3,664,520
Shipments to customers	1,402,176	1,232,931	2,931,527	2,676,057
Used at plants	1,160	494	4,494	788
Stocks at plants and warehouses at end of period	1,229,315	1,800,083	1,229,315	1,800,083
Exports	128	67	1,963	72
Imports	48,856	(x)	61,196	(x)

(x) Imports for March not yet available.

The March output of concrete building materials included the following items: brick, 1,610,035 pieces; hollow blocks, 2,321,604 pieces; cinder blocks, 713,050 pieces; chimney blocks, 19,151 pieces; and pipe, 9,957 tons. These figures represent production by 113 of the principal manufacturers which normally account for 85 per cent. of the total Canadian output of concrete products.

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Table 2 - Production in Canada and Factory Shipments of Specified Concrete Products.
March 1949 and 1950

	1949		1950	
	Quantity made during period	Quantity shipped during period	Quantity made during period	Quantity shipped during period
<u>March</u>				
Concrete brick	No. 1,739,990	1,562,466	1,610,035	1,531,053
Concrete block: Solid	No. 5,624	3,475	16,806	9,876
Hollow	No. 2,592,019	2,222,160	2,321,604	2,127,665
Cinder	No. 908,976	755,502	713,050	740,061
Concrete chimney blocks	No. 6,036	6,709	19,151	18,919
Cement drain pipe, sewer pipe, water pipe and culvert tile ..	Tons 8,341	5,344	9,957	6,183
<u>Three Months Ended March</u>				
Concrete brick	No. 4,327,291	3,281,174	4,312,078	3,524,020
Concrete block: Solid	No. 11,646	12,090	28,493	18,072
Hollow	No. 6,681,445	3,816,092	6,516,598	4,959,066
Cinder	No. 2,928,446	2,499,969	2,030,421	1,826,200
Concrete chimney blocks	No. 19,403	17,728	71,559	38,587
Cement drain pipe, sewer pipe, water pipe and culvert tile ..	Tons 23,238	13,920	25,040	15,370

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