

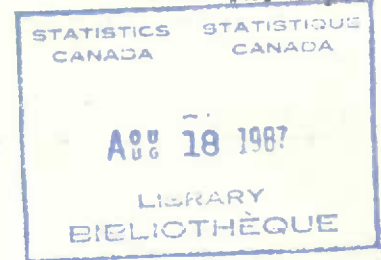
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CEMENT AND CEMENT PRODUCTS

DECEMBER - 1953

Shipments to customers by Canadian manufacturers of Portland cement totalled 1,228,792 barrels in December, 1953, compared with 2,053,162 barrels in the previous month. In 1952, the December shipments amounted to 1,063,427 barrels. Actual production for December, 1953, was 1,784,890 barrels compared with 1,568,278 barrels in the corresponding month of 1952.

Table 1 - Production, Shipments and Stocks of Portland Cement

	December		Year	
	1952	1953	1952	1953
	(Barrels)			
Stocks at plants and warehouses at beginning of period	256,797	376,108	870,849	757,198
Production	1,568,278	1,784,890	18,424,698	22,419,912
Shipments to customers	1,063,427	1,228,792	18,462,933	22,224,314
Used at plants	4,719	988	74,698	21,875
Stocks at plants and warehouses at end of period	756,929	931,218	756,929	931,218
Exports, December	288	111	4,306	14,728
Imports, December	70,319	(*)	2,913,981	(*)
November	233,558	(*)	2,843,662	(*)
October	458,192	191,540	2,610,104	2,037,176

(*) Not available.



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The December output of concrete building materials included the following items: brick, 3,826,234 pieces; gravel blocks, 5,332,572 pieces; cinder blocks, 1,143,585 pieces; other aggregates, 834,382 pieces; chimney blocks, 86,297 pieces; pipe, 20,444 tons, and concrete, ready-mixed, 127,774 cubic yards. These figures represent production by 150 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

	1952		1953		
	Quantity made during period	Quantity shipped during period	Quantity made during period	Quantity shipped during period	
<u>December</u>					
Concrete brick	No.	3,415,275	3,472,262	3,826,234	3,491,120
Concrete blocks (except chimney blocks) -					
Gravel	No.	4,294,432	3,476,176	5,332,572	4,011,404
Cinder	No.	943,765	879,987	1,143,585	935,966
Other aggregates, (Haydite, slag, etc.)	No.	433,306	365,331	834,382	489,860
Concrete chimney blocks	No.	78,167	57,378	86,297	53,187
Cement drain pipe, sewer pipe, water pipe and culvert tile .	Tons	17,084	13,298	20,444	15,099
Concrete, ready-mixed	Cu.yds.	87,227	87,227	127,774	127,774
<u>Twelve Months Ended December</u>					
Concrete brick	No.	44,424,623	44,943,011	64,168,693	63,150,015
Concrete blocks (except chimney blocks) -					
Gravel	No.	56,836,985	57,932,238	73,672,694	72,111,655
Cinder	No.	10,866,157	11,164,529	13,774,237	13,425,759
Other aggregates, (Haydite, slag, etc.)	No.	4,698,967	4,928,388	6,334,695	5,867,541
Concrete chimney blocks	No.	1,009,631	1,012,982	1,146,393	1,137,490
Cement drain pipe, sewer pipe, water pipe and culvert tile .	Tons	234,616	231,214	267,461	251,361
Concrete, ready-mixed	Cu.yds.	1,477,367	1,477,367	1,823,071	1,823,071