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CEMENT AND CEMENT PRODUCTS

MARCH - 1953



Shipments to customers by Canadian manufacturers of Portland cement totalled 1,803,187 barrels in March, 1953, compared with 1,178,646 barrels in the previous month. In 1952, the March shipments amounted to 1,501,569 barrels, as against 1,174,596 barrels in the previous month. Actual production for March, 1953 was 1,850,491 barrels, compared with 1,459,476 barrels in the corresponding month of 1952.

Table 1 - Production, Shipments and Stocks of Portland Cement

	March		Year to date				
	1952	1953	1952	1953			
Milliand	(Barrels)						
Stocks at plants and warehouses at beginning of period	1,592,619	1,654,188(*)	870,849	757,198			
Production	1,459,476	1,850,491	4,222,657	4,965,127			
Shipments to customers	1,501,569	1,803,187	3,526,721	4,018,859			
Used at plants	5,670	501	21,929	2,673			
Stocks at plants and warehouses at end of period	1,501,569	1,700,991	1,501,569	1,700,991			
Exports, March	46	224	80	895			
Imports, March	34, 361	(+)	62,554	(+)			
February	24,599	41,403	28,193	69,032			

^(*) Stock adjustment

⁽⁺⁾ Not available



The March output of concrete building materials included the following items: brick, 3,987,799 pieces; gravel blocks, 4,927,638 pieces; cinder blocks, 890,378 pieces; other aggregates, 403,153 pieces; chimney blocks 48,438 pieces; pipe, 22,901 tons, and concrete, ready-mixed, 73,850 cubic yards. These figures represent production by 138 of the principal manufacturers, which normally account for 85 per cent of the total Canadian output of concrete products.

Table 2 - Froduction and Factory Shipments of Specified Concrete Products

Table 2 - Froduction and Factory 5		1952		1953	
		Quantity made during period	Quantity shipped during period	Quantity made during period	Quantity shipped during period
March					
Concrete brick	No.	2,400,494	2,007,922	3,987,799	3,059,250
Gravel	No.	3,369,882	2,815,964 577,240	4,927,638	3,820,207
Other aggregates, (Haydite, slag, etc.) Concrete chimney blocks	No.	318,121 63,836	209,609 65,373	403,153	288, 587 46, 123
Cement drain pipe, sewer pipe, water pipe and culvert tile	Tons Cu.yds.	18,749 58,476	13,723 58,476	22,901 73,850	11,923
Three Months Ended March		,			
Concrete brick	No	5,846,936	4,975,264	9,843,737	7,962,224
Gravel	No. No.	8,115,797	6,428,239 1,566,318	12,766,281 2,633,889	9,224,257 2,135,000
(Haydite, slag, etc.) Concrete chimney blocks Cement drain pipe, sewer	No.	782,211 133,724	740,394 114,488	1,035,368 241,853	699,297 122,859
pipe, water pipe and culvert tile	Tons Cu.yds.	49,392 131,232	33,288 134,011	61,257 202,230	38,885 202,230