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CEMENT AND CEMENT PRODUCTS

MAY - 1953

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Shipments to customers by Canadian manufacturers of Portland cement totalled 2,250,500 barrels in May, 1953, compared with 1,971,345 barrels in the previous month. In 1952, the May shipments amounted to 2,010,570 barrels. Actual production for May, 1953, was 1,940,790 barrels, compared with 1,534,455 barrels in the corresponding month of 1952.

Table 1 - Production, Shipments and Stocks of Portland Cement

	M A Y		Year to date	
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	(Barrels)			
Stocks at plants and warehouses at beginning of period	1,454,539	1,509,635	870,849	757,198
Production	1,534,455	1,940,790	7,250,865	8,686,889
Shipments to customers	2,010,570	2,250,500	7,113,667	8,240,704
Used at plants	7,112	614	36,735	4,270
Stocks at plants and warehouses at end of period	971,312	1,199,311	971,312	1,199,311
Exports, May	431	31	608	935
Imports, May	198,299	(+)	341,878	(+)
April	81,025	(+)	143,579	(+)

(+) Not available

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The May output of concrete building materials included the following items: brick, 5,478,610 pieces; gravel blocks, 6,425,616 pieces; cinder blocks, 1,372,345 pieces; other aggregates, 526,225 pieces; chimney blocks, 62,971 pieces; pipe, 19,264 tons, and concrete, ready-mixed, 142,001 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 - 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>M A Y</u>					
Concrete brick	No.	3,121,848	2,645,419	5,478,610	4,713,843
Concrete blocks (except chimney blocks) -					
Gravel	No.	4,920,685	5,616,324	6,425,616	7,358,943
Cinder	No.	1,074,630	1,127,099	1,372,345	1,341,324
Other aggregates, (Haydite, slag, etc.) ..	No.	465,012	541,988	526,225	663,126
Concrete chimney blocks	No.	65,689	79,819	62,971	88,338
Cement drain pipe, sewer pipe, water pipe and culvert tile	Tons	22,131	21,437	19,264	15,828
Concrete, ready-mixed	Cu.yds.	140,747	140,747	142,001	142,001
<u>Five Months Ended May</u>					
Concrete brick	No.	12,618,918	10,591,589	19,984,503	16,915,533
Concrete blocks (except chimney blocks) -					
Gravel	No.	16,705,857	16,440,025	25,147,389	23,298,463
Cinder	No.	3,309,552	3,458,565	4,908,973	4,541,103
Other aggregates, (Haydite, slag, etc.) ..	No.	1,763,121	1,579,139	2,182,619	1,787,321
Concrete chimney blocks	No.	270,028	264,348	347,901	295,633
Cement drain pipe, sewer pipe, water pipe and culvert tile	Tons	90,885	69,251	104,418	70,973
Concrete, ready-mixed	Cu.yds.	358,897	361,676	448,148	448,148