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CEMENT AND CEMENT PRODUCTS
AUGUST - 1953


Shipments to customers by Canadian manufacturers of Portland cement totalled 2,011,684 barrels in August, 1953, compared with 2,182,668 barrels in the previous month. In 1952, the August shipments amounted to $1,654,384$ barrels. Actusl production for August, 1953, was 1,990,977 barrels, compared with $1,561,519$ barrels in the corresponding month of 1952.

Table 1 - Production, Shipments and Stocks of Portland Cement

|  | August |  | Year to date |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1952 | 1953 | 1952 | 1953 |
|  | (Barrels) |  |  |  |
| Stocks at plants and warehouses at beginning of period .......... | 495,864 | 860,452 ( | 870,849 | 757,198 |
| Production | 1,561,519 | 1,990,977 | 11,959,750 | 14,718,978 |
| Shipments to customers ........... | 1,654,384 | 2,011,684 | 12,377,666 | 14,626,540 |
| Used at plants | 6,687 | 2,516 | 56,631 | 12,704 |
| Stocks at plants and warehouses at end of period | 396,312 | 837,229 | 396,312 | 837,229 |
| Exports, August | 449 | 229 | 1,576 | 9,477 |
| Imports, August | 475,338 | (x) | 1,446,358 | (x) |
| July . .................. | 403,623 | (x) | 970,203 | (x) |
| June | 225,519 | 233,278 | 567,397 | 531,791 |

(t) Revised.
(x) Not available.

The August output of concrete building materials included the following items: brick, 7,288,554 pieces; gravel blocks, 6,692,367 pieces; cinder blocks, 1,460,401 pieces; other aggregates, 600,341 pieces; chimney blocks, 139,482 pieces; pipe, 22,281 tons, and concrete, ready-mixed, 206,639 cubic yards. These figures represent production by 143 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


## August

| Concrete brick | No. | 5,174,848 | 4,817,809 | 7,288,554 | 7,566,055 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Concrete blocks (except chimney blocks) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Gravel | No. | 5,701,996 | 5,967,662 | 6,692,367 | 7,258,437 |
| Cinder | No. | 1,079,021 | 1,069,703 | 1,460,401 | 1,364,661 |
| Other aggregates, (Haydite, slag, etc.) .. | No. | 405,480 | 402,484 | 600,341 | 553,361 |
| Concrete chimney blocks | No. | 109,695 | 124,972 | 139,482 | 130,783 |
| Cement drain pipe, sewer pipe, water pipe and culvert tile. | Tons | 22,328 | 26,861 | 22,281 | 28,160 |
| Concrete, ready-mixed | Cu.yds. | 178,940 | 178,940 | 206,639 | 206,639 |
| Eight Months Ended August |  |  |  |  |  |
| Concrete brick | No. | 25,801,173 | 24,768,186 | 40,496,517 | 39,157,291 |
| Concrete blocks (except chimney blocks) - |  |  |  |  |  |
| Gravel | No. | 34,634,780 | 36,025,729 | 47,628,348 | 47,336,078 |
| Cinder | No. | 6,661,339 | 6,939,989 | 8,721,424 | 8,483,703 |
| Other aggregates, (Haydite, slag, etc.) .. | No. | 3,002,858 | 3,075,800 | 4,051,950 | 3,751,901 |
| Concrete chimney blocks ..... | No. | 550,001 | 576,257 | 669,761 | 672,271 |
| Cement drain pipe, sewer pipe, water pipe and culvert tile. | Tons | 154,948 | 143,266 | 172,127 | 148,878 |
| Concrete, ready-mixed ....... | Cu.yds. | 890,156 | 890,156 | 1,043,475 | $1,043,475$ |

