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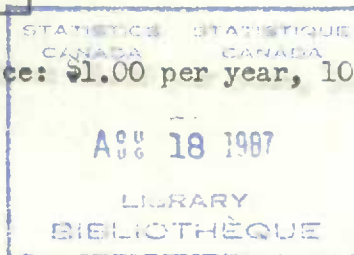


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CEMENT AND CEMENT PRODUCTS

Shipments to customers by Canadian manufacturers of Portland cement totalled 1,833,913 barrels in April, 1954, compared with 1,759,592 barrels in the previous month. In 1953 the April shipments amounted to 1,971,345 barrels. Actual production for April, 1954, was 1,974,816 barrels compared with 1,780,972 barrels in the corresponding month of 1953.

Table 1 - Production, Shipments and Stocks of Portland Cement

	April		Year to date	
	1953	1954	1953	1954
	(Barrels)			
Stocks at plants and warehouses at beginning of period	1,700,991	2,136,839	757,198	931,218
Production	1,780,972	1,974,816	6,746,099	7,017,287
Shipments to customers	1,971,345	1,833,913	5,990,204	5,668,535
Used at plants	983	1,494	3,656	3,727
Stocks at plants and warehouses at end of period	1,509,635	2,276,248	1,509,635	2,276,248
Exports, April	9	361	904	542
Imports, April	72,773	(*)	216,429	(*)
March	74,624	(*)	143,656	(*)
February	41,403	43,756	69,032	61,800

(*) Not available.

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The April output of concrete building materials included the following items: brick, 5,833,107 pieces; gravel blocks, 5,533,073 pieces; cinder blocks, 1,413,341 pieces; other aggregates 583,436 pieces; chimney blocks 54,830 pieces; pipe 18,768 tons, and concrete, ready-mixed, 136,125 cubic yards. These figures represent production by 162 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

	1953		1954		
	Quantity made during period	Quantity shipped during period	Quantity made during period	Quantity shipped during period	
<u>April</u>					
Concrete brick	No.	4,663,156	4,239,466	5,833,107	5,196,778
Concrete blocks (except chimney blocks) -					
Gravel	No.	5,955,492	6,715,263	5,533,073	5,368,497
Cinder	No.	902,739	1,064,779	1,413,341	1,320,898
Other aggregates, (Haydite, slag, etc.)	No.	621,026	424,898	583,436	462,385
Concrete chimney blocks	No.	43,077	84,436	54,830	45,736
Cement drain pipe, sewer pipe, water pipe and culvert tile ..	tons	23,897	16,260	18,768	12,634
Concrete, ready-mixed	cu.yds.	103,917	103,917	136,125	136,125
<u>Four Months Ended April</u>					
Concrete brick	No.	14,505,893	12,201,690	19,128,841	13,812,642
Concrete blocks (except chimney blocks) -					
Gravel	No.	18,721,773	15,939,520	17,841,105	13,590,909
Cinder	No.	3,536,628	3,199,779	4,568,942	3,812,382
Other aggregates, (Haydite, slag, etc.)	No.	1,656,394	1,124,195	1,838,646	1,682,274
Concrete chimney blocks	No.	284,930	207,295	257,895	161,673
Cement drain pipe, sewer pipe, water pipe and culvert tile ..	tons	85,154	55,145	66,463	43,398
Concrete, ready-mixed	cu.yds	306,147	306,147	395,590	395,590