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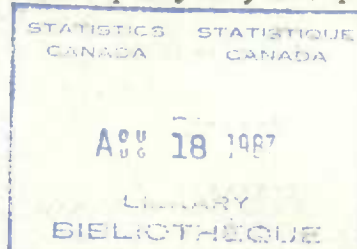


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## CEMENT AND CEMENT PRODUCTS

Shipments to customers by Canadian manufacturers of Portland cement totalled 2,300,693 barrels in May, 1954, compared with 1,833,913 barrels in the previous month. In 1953 the May shipments amounted to 2,250,500 barrels. Actual production for May, 1954, was 1,966,459 barrels compared with 1,940,790 barrels in the corresponding month of 1953.

Table 1 - Production, Shipments and Stocks of Portland Cement

	May		Year to date	
	1953	1954	1953	1954
	(Barrels)			
Stocks at plants and warehouses at beginning of period .....	1,509,635	2,276,248	757,198	931,218
Production .....	1,940,790	1,966,459	8,686,889	8,983,746
Shipments to customers .....	2,250,500	2,300,693	8,240,704	7,969,228
Used at plants .....	614	3,004	4,270	6,731
Stocks at plants and warehouses at end of period .....	1,199,311	1,939,010	1,199,311	1,939,010
Exports, May .....	31	182	935	724
Imports, May .....	82,084	(*)	298,513	(*)
April .....	72,773	(*)	216,429	(*)
March .....	74,624	72,933	143,656	134,733

(\*) Not available.

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Cement and Cement Products

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The May output of concrete building materials included the following items: brick, 6,849,530 pieces; gravel blocks, 6,500,249 pieces; cinder blocks, 1,513,492 pieces; other aggregates 645,933 pieces; chimney blocks 69,712 pieces; pipe, 23,374 tons, and concrete, ready-mixed, 200,346 cubic yards. These figures represent production by 156 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

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	Quantity made during period	Quantity shipped during period	Quantity made during period	Quantity shipped during period
<u>May</u>				
Concrete brick ..... No.	5,478,610	4,713,843	6,849,530	6,959,231
Concrete blocks (except chimney blocks) -				
Gravel ..... No.	6,425,616	7,358,943	6,500,249	7,594,537
Cinder ..... No.	1,372,345	1,341,324	1,513,492	1,691,944
Other aggregates, (Haydite, slag, etc.) .... No.	526,225	663,126	645,933	650,120
Concrete chimney blocks ..... No.	62,971	88,338	69,712	82,897
Cement drain pipe, sewer pipe, water pipe and culvert tile .. Tons	19,264	15,828	23,374	23,202
Concrete, ready-mixed ..... Cu.yds.	142,001	142,001	200,346	200,346
<u>Five Months Ended May</u>				
Concrete brick ..... No.	19,984,503	16,915,533	25,978,371	20,771,873
Concrete blocks (except chimney blocks) -				
Gravel ..... No.	25,147,389	23,298,463	24,341,354	21,185,446
Cinder ..... No.	4,908,973	4,541,103	6,082,434	5,504,326
Other aggregates, (Haydite, slag, etc.) .... No.	2,182,619	1,787,321	2,484,579	2,332,394
Concrete chimney blocks ..... No.	347,901	295,633	327,607	244,570
Cement drain pipe, sewer pipe, water pipe and culvert tile .. Tons	104,418	70,973	89,837	66,600
Concrete, ready-mixed ..... Cu.yds.	448,148	448,148	595,936	595,936