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CEMENT AND CEMENT PRODUCTS

Shipments to customers by Canadian manufacturers of Portland cement totalled 2,578,824 barrels in June, 1954, compared with 2,300,693 barrels in the previous month. In 1953 the June shipments amounted to 2,191,484 barrels. Actual production for June, 1954, was 2,072,477 barrels compared with 1,951,459 barrels in the corresponding month of 1953.

Table 1 - Production. Shipments and Stocks of Portland Cement

	Ju	ne	Year to date				
	1953	1954	1953	1954			
	(Barrels)						
Stocks at plants and warehouses at beginning of period	1,199,311	1,939,010	757,198	931,218			
Production	1,951,459	2,072,477	10,638,348	11,056,223			
Shipments to customers	2,191,484	2,578,824	10,432,188	10,548,052			
Used at plants	1,216	13,520	5,486	20,251			
Stocks at plants and warehouses at end of period	958,070	1,419,143	958,070	1,419,143			
Exports, June	4,417	11,942	5,352	12,666			
Imports, June	233,278	(*)	531,791	(*)			
May	82,084	(*)	298,513	(*)			
April	72,773	144,076	216,429	278,809			

^(*) Not available.

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The June output of concrete building materials included the following items: brick, 7,690,471 pieces; gravel blocks, 7,442,692 pieces; cinder blocks, 1,989,142 pieces; other aggregates, 779,496 pieces; chimney blocks 68,331 pieces; pipe, 31,701 tons, and concrete, ready-mixed, 265,638 cubic yards. These figures represent production by 161 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		1 9 5 3	
		Quantity made during period	Quantity shipped during period	Quantity made during period	Quantity shipped during period
June					
Concrete brick	No.	6,884,146	7,160,111	7,690,471	9,183,641
Concrete blocks (except chimney blocks) - Gravel		7,725,518 1,186,840	8,673,023 1,349,417	7,442,692 1,989,142	8,483,710 2,382,862
Other aggregates,					
(Haydite, slag, etc.) Concrete chimney blocks		611,252	692,303	779,496	685,022
Cement drain pipe, sewer pipe, water pipe and culvert tile Concrete, ready-mixed	Tons	21,967	24,979 165,744	31,701 265,638	30,194 265,638
Six Months Ended June					
Concrete brick	No.	26,868,649	24,075,644	33,668,842	29,955,514
Cinder Other aggregates, (Haydite, slag, etc.) Concrete chimney blocks Cement drain pipe, sewer		32,872,907 6,095,813	31,971,486 5,890,520	31,784,046 8,071,576	29,669,156 7,887,188
		2,793,871 453,635	2,479,624 431,586	3,264,075 395,938	3,017,416 345,881
pipe, water pipe and culvert tile		126, 3 8 5 613, 892	95,952 613,892	121,538 861,574	96,794 861,574