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CEMENT AND CEMENT PRODUCTS

Tesearch Departmen Shipments to customers by Canadian manufacturers of Portland cement totalled 904,172 barrels in January, 1955, compared with 1,066,487 barrels in the previous month. In 1954 the January shipments amounted to 889,297 barrels. Actual production for January, 1955, was 1,698,405 barrels compared with 1,564,608 barrels in the corresponding month of 1954.

Table 1 - Production, Shipments and Stocks of Fortland Cement.

	Jan	uary	Year				
	1954	1955	1953	1954			
	(Barrels)						
Stocks at plants and warehouses at beginning of period	931,218	1,094,159	757,198	931,218			
Production	1,564,608	1,698,405 🗸	22,419,912	22,584,023			
Shipments to customers	889,297	904,172	22,224,314	22,357,322			
Used at plants	297	913	21,875	84,275			
Stocks at plants and warehouses at end of period	1,606,232	1,887,479	931,218	1,073,579			
Exports, January	161	249	(x)14,728	(x)123,645			
Imports, January	18,044	•••	• • 3				
December	•••		• • •	* * * *			
November	152,828		2,255,437	• • •			

<sup>(</sup>x) Twelve months' cumulative

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The January output of concrete building materials included the following items: brick, 5,960,008 pieces; gravel blocks, 4, 88,025 pieces; cinder blocks, 1,154,395 pieces; other aggregates, 687,984 pieces; chimney blocks, 28,328 pieces; pipe, 22,849 tons, and concrete, ready-mixed, 130,094 cubic yards. These figures represent production by 163 of the principal manufacturers, which normally account for 85 per cent of the total Canadian output of concrete products.

Table 2 - Production and Factory Shipmen	1954		1955	
	Quantity made during period	Quantity shipped during period	Quantity made during period	Quantity shipped during period
January				
Concrete brick No.	3,411,933	1,698,836	5,960,008	3,688,916
Concrete blocks (except chimney blocks) -				
Gravel No.	3,684,726	1,920,663	4,388,025	2,801,471
Cinder No.	872,567	618,282	1,154,395	729,701
Other aggregates, (Haydite, slag, etc.) No.	397,092	300,853	687,984	416,166
Concrete chimney blocks No.	62,012	24,556	28,328	28,466
Cement drain pipe, sewer pipe, water pipe and culvert tile Tons	15,010	8,771	22,849	24,083
Concrete, ready-mixed Cu.yds.	64,441	64,441	130,094	130,094