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CEMENT AND CEMENT PRODUCTS

Shipments to customers by Canadian manufacturers of Portland cement totalled 1,110,097 barrels in January, 1956, compared with 941,278 barrels in the previous month. In 1955 the January shipments amounted to 904,172 barrels. Actual production for January, 1956, was 1,920,305 barrels compared with 1,698,405 barrels in the corresponding month of 1955.

Table 1 - Production, Shipments and Stocks of Portland Cement

	January		Year-end				
	1955	1956	1954	1955			
700cm	(Barrels)						
Stocks at plants and warehouses at beginning of period	1,094,159	1,112,292	931,218	1,094,159			
Production	1,698,405	1,920,305	22,604,723	25,184,050			
Shipments to customers	904,172	1,110,097	22,357,442	25,160,538			
Used at plants	913	7,235	84,275	13,896			
Stocks at plants and warehouses at end of period	1,887,479	1,915,265	1,094,159	1,112,292			
Exports, January	249	0 0 0	123,645	000			
December	9,140	-	122,938	965,184			
Imports, January	9,625	000	2,292,200	000			
December	113,123		2,255,437	2,959,370			
November	455,605	60	2,102,609	2,846,247			

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The January output of concrete building materials included the following items: brick, 8,067,681 pieces; gravel blocks, 4,892,157 pieces; cinder blocks, 882,445 pieces; other aggregates, 694,309 pieces; chimney blocks, 57,943 pieces; pipe, 32,714 tons and concrete, ready-mixed, 197,792 cubic yards. These figures represent production by 182 of the principal manufacturers, which normally account for 85 per cent of the total Canadian output of concrete products.

	1955		1956	
	Quantity made during period	Quantity shipped during period	Quantity made during period	Quantity shipped during period
January				
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Concrete brick	5,960,008	3,688,916	8,067,681	4,113,539
Gravel No.	4,388,025	2,801,471	4,892,157	3,101,048
Cinder No. Other aggregates,	1,154,395	729,701	882,445	474,271
(Haydite, slag, etc.) No.	687,984	416,166	694,309	477,20
Concrete chimney blocks No.	28,328	28,466	57,943	29,19
Cement drain pipe, sewer pipe,	•			
water pipe and culvert tile Tons	22,849	24,083	32,714	24,23
Concrete, ready-mixed Cu.yds.	130,094	130,094	197,792	197,792