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CEMENT AND CEMENT PRODUCTS

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Shipments to customers by Canadian manufacturers of Portland cement totalled 1,094,635 barrels in December, 1956, compared with 2,287,424 barrels in the previous month. In 1955 the December shipments amounted to 941,278 barrels. Actual production for December, 1956, was 2,121,492 barrels compared with 1,585,811 barrels in the corresponding month of 1955.

Table 1 - Production, Shipments and Stocks of Portland Cement

	December		Year to date			
	1955	1956	1955	1956		
	(Barrels)					
Stocks at plants and warehouses at beginning of period	470,313	609,871	1,094,159	1,112,292		
Production	1,585,811	2,121,492	25,184,050	29,565,364		
Shipments to customers	941,278	1,094,635	25,160,538	28,858,902		
Used at plants	2,554	4,730	13,8%	192,133		
Stocks at plants and warehouses at end of period	1,112,292	1,631,998	1,112,292	1,631,998		
Exports, December	9,140	1,480	122,938	711,775		
Imports, December	113,123		2,255,437			
November	455,605	• • •	2,102,609			
October	682,034	364,691	2,390,642	3,223,276		

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	1	1955		1956	
	Quantity made during period	Quantity shipped during period	Quantity made during period	Quantity shipped during period	
December					
Concrete brick	7,835,109	5,807,227	2,567,437	2,840,373	
Gravel No. Cinder No. Other aggregates,	5,668,412 894,887	4,100,979 555,512	4,680,929 588,621	3,436,217	
(Haydite, slag, etc.) No. Concrete chimney blocks No.	524 , 305 49 , 485	449,727 31,330	994 ,7 87 54 , 605	667,988 34,903	
Cement drain pipe, sewer pipe, water pipe and culvert tile Tons Concrete, ready-mixed Cu.yds	3 0,911 235,129	26,278 235,129	24,148 229,015	21,442 229,015	
Twelve months ended December					
Concrete brick No. Concrete blocks (except chimney blocks) -	130,086,033	124,539,986	102,483,084	102,571,632	
Gravel No. Cinder No. Other aggregates,	82,560,691 13,977,575	82,307,965 14,310,255	84,943,213	83,985,509	
(Haydite, slag, etc.) No. Concrete chimney blocks No. Cement drain pipe, sewer pipe,	8,690,307 920,339	8,011,309 906,452	13,415,735	12,138,291 862,193	
water pipe and culvert tile Tons Concrete, ready-mixed Cu.yds	433,419	427,698 3,775,957	551,908 4,986,917	553,692 4,986,917	

These figures represent production by the principal manufacturers, which normally account for 85 per cent of the total Canadian output of concrete products and have not been expanded.