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CEMENT AND CEMENT PRODUCTS

Shipments to customers by Canadian manufacturers of Portland cement totalled 3,188,406 barrels in August, 1956, compared with 3,233,677 barrels in the previous month. 1955 the August shipments amounted to 3,039,438 barrels. Actual production for August, 1956, was 2,810,362 barrels compared with 2,598,039 barrels in the corresponding month of 1955.

Table 1 - Production, Shipments and Stocks of Portland Cement

	August		Year to date				
Marie Committee of the	1955	1956		1956			
	(Barrels)						
Stocks at plants and warehouses at beginning of period	953,255	1,025,548	1,094,159	1,112,292			
Production	2,598,039	2,810,362	16,385,359	19,353,798			
Shipments to customers	3,039,438	3,188,406	16,961,706	19,675,642			
Used at plants	1,639	19,079	7,995	167,348			
Stocks at plants and warehouses		345145					
at end of period	510,217	628,425	510,217	628,425			
Exports, August	185,555	83,135	593,053	466,158			
Imports, August	670,005	•••	1,010,204	•••			
July	226,127	•••	340,150	•••			
June	40,101	341,935	114,023	606,169			

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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
August					
Concrete brick	No.	14,074,545	14,777,449	12,786,446	13,261,098
Gravel		8,502,709	8,673,033 1,411,316	9,568,115	9,465,548
(Haydite, slag, etc.) Concrete chimney blocks Cement drain pipe, sewer pipe,		1,009,188	844,552	1,425,498	1,443,070
water pipe and culvert tile Concrete, ready-mixed		45,125 480,534	57,505 480,534	56,623 603,923	53,876 603,923
Eight months ended August					
Concrete brick	No.	82,518,262	77,916,379	75,235,048	73,040,842
Gravel		53,136,908 9,561,511	53,590,801	57,461,418 7,892,869	57,610,669 7,675,7%
(Haydite, slag, etc.) Concrete chimney blocks Cement drain pipe, sewer pipe,	No.	5,647,303 550,620	5,074,729 542,530	8,189,038 490,678	7,637,636 513,758
water pipe and culvert tile Concrete, ready-mixed		263,960 2,275,102	273,059	345,626 3,169,796	316,318 3,169,7%

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.