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THE CEMENT PRODUCTS INDUSTRY IN CANADA, 1926.

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A statement issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics in Ottawa states that the value of cement products made in Canada during 1926 amounted to \$2,544,242, an increase of 26 per cent over the \$2,020,239 produced in the previous year and more than double the \$1,257,871 reported for 1924.

Plants making cement products such as bricks, building blocks, pipe, artificial stone, etc., represented a capital investment of \$2,857,752. Purchased materials used during the year cost \$880,041, so that the value added by manufacturing processes, being the difference between the cost of raw materials and the selling value of the products, was \$1,664,201. The industry afforded employment throughout the year to an average of 922 people, paid out \$778,662 in salaries and wages and expended \$70,817 for fuel and electricity.

Of the 185 plants engaged in this line of production 133 were located in Ontario, 35 in Quebec, 3 in New Brunswick, 6 in British Columbia, 1 in Alberta, 4 in Nova Scotia and 3 in Saskatchewan.

SUMMARY STATISTICS OF THE CEMENT PRODUCTS INDUSTRY IN CANADA, 1922-1926.

| Year | No. of Plants | Capital Employed | No. of Employ- ees | Salaries and Wages | Cost of Materials | Selling Value of Products | Value added by Manu- facturing |
|----------|------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| | | \$ | | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| 1922 ... | 124 | 1,553,160 | 391 | 372,268 | 553,335 | 1,281,004 | 747,669 |
| 1923 ... | 118 | 1,664,580 | 421 | 458,745 | 596,654 | 1,505,528 | 908,874 |
| 1924 ... | 116 | 1,673,758 | 455 | 425,078 | 493,270 | 1,257,871 | 764,601 |
| 1925 ... | 197 | 2,594,736 | 819 | 697,716 | 730,296 | 2,020,239 | 1,289,943 |
| 1926 ... | 185 | 2,857,752 | 922 | 778,662 | 880,041 | 2,544,242 | 1,664,201 |

PRINCIPAL STATISTICS OF THE CEMENT PRODUCTS INDUSTRY IN CANADA, BY PROVINCES, 1925 & 1926

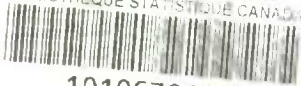
| Province | 1925 | | | 1926 | | |
|-----------------------------|------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|
| | No. of Plants | No. of Employees | Selling Value of Products | No. of Plants | No. of Employees | Selling Value of Products |
| | | | \$ | | | \$ |
| Nova Scotia) | | | | 4 | 6 | 7,920 |
| New Brunswick) | 7 | 27 | 29,346 | 3 | 6 | 4,632 |
| Quebec | 34 | 179 | 398,192 | 35 | 293 | 650,264 |
| Ontario | 148 | 568 | 1,499,938 | 133 | 544 | 1,583,437 |
| Saskatchewan and Alberta | 4 | 36 | 85,315 | 4 | 27 | 137,920 |
| British Columbia | 4 | 9 | 7,448 | 6 | 46 | 160,069 |
| CANADA | 197 | 819 | 2,020,239 | 185 | 922 | 2,544,242 |

PRODUCTS OF THE CEMENT INDUSTRY IN CANADA, 1925 and 1926.

| Item | 1925 | | 1926 | |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|--|---------------------|--|
| | Total Selling Value | | Total Selling Value | |
| | \$ | | \$ | |
| Cement bricks..... | 40,261 | | 53,412 | |
| Hollow building blocks, etc..... | 859,706 | | 1,066,901 | |
| Drain pipe..... | 201,890 | | 138,928 | |
| Sewer pipe..... | 394,366 | | 508,870 | |
| Artificial stone..... | 256,118 | | 479,287 | |
| Cement posts, poles, piles, etc.. | 5,769 | | 166,418 | |
| Other products (x)..... | 262,129 | | 130,426 | |
| TOTAL..... | 2,020,239 | | 2,544,242 | |

(x) Includes cement burial vaults, laundry trays, battery boxes, etc.

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