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THE CEMENT PRODUCTS INDUSTRY IN CANADA, 1927.

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Cement products made in Canada reached a new high level of values during 1927 at \$2,663,065, according to a statement issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa. This output represented an increase of 5 per cent over the \$2,544,242 in 1926 which in turn was 26 per cent over the production value of \$2,020,239 reported for 1925.

A total of 151 plants were engaged in this line of manufacture in 1927; 109 were located in Ontario, 31 in Quebec, 5 in British Columbia, 2 in Nova Scotia, 2 in Saskatchewan, and 1 each in New Brunswick and Alberta. These concerns represented a capital investment of \$2,671,273; employed an average of 872 people monthly, paid out \$936,053 in salaries and wages, and by manufacturing processes added \$1,750,379 to the value of purchased materials which cost \$912,686 delivered at the works.

TABLE 1.- PRINCIPAL STATISTICS OF THE CEMENT PRODUCTS INDUSTRY IN CANADA, 1923-1927.

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 \$
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
1927	151	2,671,273	872	936,053	912,686	2,663,065	1,750,379

TABLE 2.- PRINCIPAL STATISTICS OF THE CEMENT PRODUCTS INDUSTRY IN CANADA, BY PROVINCES, 1926 and 1927.

Province	1926			1927		
	No. of plants	No. of employees	Selling value of products \$	No. of plants	No. of employees	Selling value of products \$
Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.....	7	12	12,552	3	4	12,587
Quebec.....	35	293	650,264	31	288	682,765
Ontario.....	133	544	1,583,437	109	497	1,685,050
Saskatchewan and Alberta..	4	27	137,920	3	23	121,905
British Columbia.....	6	46	160,069	5	60	160,758
CANADA.....	185	922	2,544,242	151	872	2,663,065

TABLE 3.- PRODUCTS OF THE CEMENT/INDUSTRY IN CANADA, 1926 and 1927.

Item	1926		1927	
	Total	Selling Value \$	Total	Selling Value \$
Cement bricks.....		53,412		94,302
Hollow building blocks, etc.....		1,066,901		941,194
Drain pipe.....		138,928		207,433
Sewer pipe.....		508,870		558,836
Artificial stone.....		479,287		473,051
Cement posts, poles, piles, etc..		166,418		116,201
Other products (x).....		130,426		272,048
TOTAL.....		2,544,242		2,663,065

(x) includes cinder blocks, laundry tubs and trays, etc.



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