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THE GLASS INDUSTRY IN CANADA, 1928.

Production of the glass industry in Canada during 1928 was valued at \$13,565,354, according to a bulletin issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa. This output was 3 per cent under the record value of \$14,021,778 reported for the previous year and slightly less than the next high value of \$13,795,690 attained in 1920. The 59 firms engaged in the manufacture of glass products during 1928 reported capital employed at \$12,694,882, average monthly employment at 3,219 and salaries and wages at \$3,878,165. Purchased materials cost \$4,791,486 and the value added by manufacturing was \$8,773,870.

Pressed and blown glass was produced in 7 plants in Canada during 1928; of these 5 actually manufactured glass and 2 made vials and other special apparatus from tubes, rods, etc. Factories were located as follows: 4 in Ontario, 2 in Quebec and 1 in Alberta. Production was valued at \$9,466,382 as compared with \$10,232,634 in the previous year and \$8,390,035 in 1926.

In the plate, cut, and ornamental glass section which includes all plants engaged in bevelling, cutting or working glass to produce such commodities as mirrors, cut glass, bevelled plate, memorial and ornamental windows, etc., the number of operating concerns totalled 52 distributed by provinces as follows: 32 in Ontario, 9 in Quebec, 5 in British Columbia, 3 in Manitoba, and 1 in each of New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Alberta. Production from these factories was valued at \$4,098,972 as against \$3,789,144 for 1927 and \$3,280,234 in 1926.

Imports of glass and glassware into Canada during the calendar year 1928 reached a value of \$9,294,095 as compared with \$8,146,698 in the previous year. Among the principal lines imported were 45.5 million square feet of common or colourless window glass valued at \$1,179,052; other plate and sheet glass, \$2,921,210; glass carboys, demijohns, bottles, etc., \$1,485,205; glass tableware of all kinds, \$1,041,826. Other lines imported included lenses, lamp bulbs, silvered glass, glass designed to be cut or mounted, spectacles, eye-glasses, etc. Exports of glass and glassware during 1928 were appraised at \$150,265 in 1928 and \$129,958 in 1927.

PRINCIPAL STATISTICS OF THE GLASS INDUSTRY IN CANADA, 1924-1928.

Year	No. of plants	Capital employed	Average no. of employees	Salaries and wages	Cost of materials at works	Selling value of products at works	Value added by manufacturing
		\$		\$	\$	\$	\$
1924 ...	48	13,304,814	3,137	3,666,213	3,667,660	10,776,816	7,109,156
1925 ...	52	12,694,338	2,778	3,291,912	4,029,035	10,117,604	6,088,569
1926 ...	52	11,432,823	3,033	3,443,644	4,884,559	11,670,269	6,785,710
1927 ...	54	12,736,057	3,120	3,876,959	5,257,950	14,021,778	8,763,828
1928 ...	59	12,694,882	3,219	3,878,165	4,791,486	13,565,354	8,773,870

PRODUCTS OF THE GLASS INDUSTRY IN CANADA, 1927 and 1928.

Product	TOTAL SELLING VALUE AT WORKS	
	1927	1928
	\$	\$
Plate, cut and ornamental glass -		
Bent glass.....	...	16,269
Bevelled and ground edge plates.....	1,211,838	1,159,806
Silvered mirror plate.....	643,277	664,783
Plate glass.....	384,343	226,190
Cut glass.....	309,818	342,648
Glass signs.....	2,384	4,580
Leaded glass.....	265,045	235,233
Leaded lights and domes.....	7,606	4,080
Memorial windows.....	93,672	126,365
Ornamental glass.....	68,443	69,760
Show cases.....	65,893	218,146
Store fronts.....	249,777	325,124
Plain sheet and window glass.....	155,630	223,811
All other products(x).....	305,661	460,458
Amount received for custom works and repairs.....	25,757	21,710
TOTAL.....	3,789,144	4,098,972
Pressed and blown glass -		
Pressed and blown glass.....	10,104,846	9,323,968
All other products.....	127,788	142,414
TOTAL.....	10,232,634	9,466,382
GRAND TOTAL.....	14,021,778	13,565,354

(x) Includes lenses, silvered reflectors, etc.

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