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THE GLASS INDUSTRY IN CANADA, 1929.

Production of the glass industry in Canada during 1929 was valued at \$15,507,442, according to a bulletin issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa. This output was the highest on record being 11 per cent over the previous high of \$14,021,778 in 1927 and 12 per cent greater than the \$13,795,690 of 1920, the third best year. The 60 plants engaged in the manufacture of glass or glass products during 1929 reported a working capital of \$16,289,364 and afforded employment to a monthly average of 3,948 people who received \$4,740,676 as salaries or wages. Their purchased materials cost \$5,355,156 and the value added by manufacturing was \$10,152,286.

Pressed and blown glass was produced in 6 plants in Canada during 1929, located as follows: 2 in Ontario, 2 in Quebec, 1 in Manitoba, and 1 in Alberta. This branch of the industry accounted for most of the increase over previous years' production, the value of output being \$11,197,338 as against \$9,466,362 in 1928 and \$10,232,634 in 1927.

In the plate, cut or ornamental glass section which includes all plants engaged in bevelling, cutting or working glass to produce leaded glass, mirrors, lenses, vials, cut glass, etc., the number of operating concerns totalled 54, distributed by provinces, as follows: 33 in Ontario, 9 in Quebec, 5 in British Columbia, 3 in Manitoba, and 1 in each of New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Saskatchewan and Alberta. Production from these factories was valued at \$4,310,104 in 1929 as compared with \$4,098,972 in 1928 and \$3,789,144 in 1927.

Imports of glass and glassware into Canada during the calendar year 1929 reached a value of \$10,569,457. Exports of Canadian glass and glassware were appraised at \$100,507 in 1929 and \$150,265 in 1928. Re-exports of foreign produce amounted to \$35,422 in 1929 and \$64,892 in 1928.

Table 1.- PRINCIPAL STATISTICS OF THE GLASS INDUSTRY IN CANADA, 1925 - 1929.

Year	No. of plants	Capital employed	Average number of employees	Salaries and wages	Cost of materials at works	Selling value of products at works	Value added by manufacturing
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	8,765,828
1928 ...	59	12,694,882	3,219	3,878,165	4,791,486	13,565,354	8,773,870
1929 ...	60	16,289,364	3,948	4,740,676	5,355,156	15,507,442	10,152,286

Table 2.- PRODUCTS OF THE GLASS INDUSTRY IN CANADA, 1929.

	Total selling value at works
Plate, cut and ornamental glass -	\$
Bent plate glass.....	28,346
Bevelled or polished edge plates.....	1,114,329
Chipped or etched plate glass.....	112,254
Plate glass mirrors.....	810,201
Bent sheet glass.....	14,952
Bevelled or polished edged sheet glass.....	99,506
Chipped or etched sheet glass.....	32,230
Glass signs.....	2,069
Sheet glass mirrors.....	28,073
Leaded glass, including memorial windows.....	403,592
Non-shatterable glass.....	269,198
Cut glass (tumblers, fruit bowls, etc.).....	263,161
Received for custom and repair work.....	22,804
All other products (x).....	1,109,589
Total.....	4,310,104
Pressed and blown glass -	
Pressed and blown glass.....	11,069,373
All other products.....	127,965
Total.....	11,197,338
GRAND TOTAL.....	15,507,442

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Table 3.- IMPORTS INTO CANADA AND EXPORTS OF GLASS AND GLASSWARE, 1928 and 1929.

Commodities	1928	1929
<u>IMPORTS -</u>		
Glass plates or discs, rough cut or unwrought, for use in the manufacture of optical instruments, when imported by manufacturers of such optical instruments.....\$	92,980	81,168
Glass milk bottles.....\$	24,379	21,263
Glass carboys or demijohns, bottles, n.o.p., decanters, flasks, jars and phials.....\$	1,435,205	1,693,483
Glass tableware, cut, pressed, moulded or crystal, blown glass tableware, other cut glass ware and glass balls.....\$	1,041,826	1,110,454
Incandescent lamp bulbs and glass tubing for use in the manufacture of incandescent lamps.....\$	563,147	595,113
Lamp chimneys, glass shades or globes.....\$	420,141	548,741
Lenses, glass, unfinished.....\$	95,130	103,424
Common and colourless window glass.....sq.ft.	45,509,833	51,389,896
Glass, cut to size for the manufacture of dry plates for photographic purposes, when imported by the manufacturers of such dry plates, for use exclusively in the manufacture thereof in their own factories.....\$	1,179,052	1,550,939
Plate glass, not bevelled, in sheets or panes, not exceeding 7 sq.ft. each, n.o.p.....sq.ft.	9,327	2,113
.....\$	4,743,644	5,004,282
.....\$	1,743,920	1,433,703
Plate glass, not bevelled, in sheets or panes, exceeding 7 sq.ft. each and not exceeding 25 sq.ft. each, n.o.p.....sq.ft.	937,562	1,060,294
.....\$	336,891	383,250
Plate glass, n.o.p.....sq.ft.	1,338,273	1,600,167
.....\$	530,101	623,166
Plate glass, bevelled, n.o.p.....sq.ft.	72,518	1,473
.....\$	28,879	828
German looking-glass (thin plate), unsilvered or for silvering.....\$...	134
Glass in sheets and bent plate glass, n.o.p.....\$	681,419	604,371
Lenses, silvered, for automobile lamps.....\$	113	79
Ornamental figured and enamelled coloured glass, and memorial or other ornamental window glass, n.o.p.\$	6,526	9,302
Painted or vitrified, chipped, figured, enamelled and obscured white glass.....\$	4,741	7,522
Plain, coloured, opaque, stained or tinted, or muffled glass in sheets.....\$	1,834	1,745
Stained or ornamental glass windows.....\$	18,209	61,502
Silver glass, bevelled or not, framed or not framed\$	228,134	260,344
Articles of glass, not plate or sheet, designed to be cut or mounted.....\$	192,042	184,167
Photographic dry plates.....\$	38,197	37,079
Spectacles, eye glasses and ground or finished spectacle or eye-glass lenses.....\$	124,519	164,776
Manufactures of glass, n.o.p.....\$	847,383	1,085,789
TOTAL.....\$	9,294,095	10,569,457
<u>EXPORTS -</u>		
Glass for lighting.....\$	5,102	3,921
Glass and glassware, n.o.p.....\$	145,163	96,586
TOTAL.....\$	150,265	100,507
<u>RE-EXPORTS -</u>		
Total.....\$	34,892	35,422

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