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### THE MISCELLANEOUS NON-METALLIC PRODUCTS INDUSTRY, 1926.

According to a statement issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa, production from the 31 plants in Canada classified under the Miscellaneous Non-Metallic Mineral Products Industry amounted in value to \$8,612,658 as compared with an output value of \$7,978,183 in 1925. This industry included 11 establishments manufacturing artificial abrasives or abrasive products, 2 plants making graphite electrodes, 7 concerns producing gypsum products, 9 mica-trimming shops, and 2 plants making foundry supplies.

Production of artificial abrasives such as crude carborundum, firesand and fused alumina and abrasive products such as abrasive wheels, cloth and paper and other commodities including ferrosilicon was valued at \$6,081,822 as compared with a corresponding figure of \$5,909,318 in 1925. Capital employed in the industry amounted to \$6,398,369, employees numbered 622 persons, payments in salaries and wages totalled \$929,755 and raw materials cost \$2,093,454. Four plants in Ontario and 1 in Quebec made artificial abrasives while 6 establishments in Ontario manufactured grinding wheels, sand paper and similar products.

Gypsum products made in this industry amounted in value to \$1,466,923. Seven plants were in operation, capital employed totalled \$1,060,706, employees numbered 350, and materials cost \$533,048. Wall coating, gypsum board and gypsum blocks were the main products of the group; in addition hardwall plaster and some wallboard were made in plants which also quarried the gypsum and were therefore included in the mineral production group. Plaster castings, church supplies, and ornamental plaster works were valued at \$238,452.

Nine mica-trimming shops, of which 8 were in Quebec and 1 in Ontario were in operation during 1926. Production was valued at \$358,609, employees numbered 493 and raw materials cost \$185,361.

There were also 2 plants in Ontario making graphite electrodes and 2 in the same province manufactured foundry facings and supplies.

### SUMMARY STATISTICS OF THE MISCELLANEOUS NON-METALLIC MINERAL PRODUCTS INDUSTRIES 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 Manufacturing
		\$		\$	\$	\$	\$
1922 ...	26	6,354,115	1,777	722,080	1,318,652	3,015,539	1,696,887
1923 ...	38	7,262,403	2,917	1,492,846	2,879,015	8,147,331	5,268,316
1924 ...	36	6,659,059	1,767	1,328,976	2,427,145	6,991,904	4,564,759
1925 ...	35	8,322,096	1,316	1,371,895	2,686,856	7,978,183	5,291,227
1926 ...	31	8,896,857	1,552	1,626,661	3,004,413	8,612,658	5,608,245

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