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SOAPS AND SYNTHETIC DETERGENTS

Factory shipments of soaps and synthetic detergents by principal Canadian producers were valued at \$4,959,520 during May, 1955. Soaps accounted for \$1,962,792 or 40 per cent of this total, while synthetic detergents accounted for \$2,996,728 or 60 per cent. The shipments for May, 1955, included 1,673,645 pounds of bar laundry and household soaps at \$275,603; 592,716 pounds of soap chips and flakes in household packages at \$101,847; 2,938,908 pounds of toilet soaps in bars at \$808,643; and 2,679,958 pounds of soap powders in household packages at \$550,093. Shipments of synthetic detergents in household packages totalled 9,818,872 pounds at \$2,577,108 during the same period.

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Table 1 - Production and Factory Shipments, May, 1955 Factory shipments Quantity Value of Item Production shipped shipments (Pounds) (Pounds) Hard soaps: Bar laundry and household soaps: (a) Built 210,719 231.444 27,123 (b) Not built 1,363,946 1,462,926 248,480 Soap chips and flakes: (a) In household packages (under 25 pounds) ... 610,725 592,716 101,847 (b) In bulk (except textile and mill) (25 pounds and over) 1,277,455 1,176,011 137,384 Toilet soaps (except liquid) (when less than 2 pounds each) 2,777,668 2,938,908 808,643 Soap powders (granulated, powdered and sprayed, containing more than 25% anhydrous soap): (a) In household packages (under 25 pounds) ... 3,100,481 2,679,958 550,093 753,980 (b) In bulk (25 pounds and over) 710,494 89,222 Synthetic detergents: Solid (including bars, flake or powder): 9.818.872 2,577,108 (a) In household packages (under 25 pounds) ... 7,824,398 (b) In bulk (25 pounds and over) 776,319 790,653 149,701 Liquid: (a) Packaged (when in individual containers 496,223 689,549 227,230 of less than one gallon) (b) Bulk (when in individual containers of 109,811 one gallon or more) 117,659 31,918 Paste: (a) Packaged (when in individual containers of less than one gallon) (b) Bulk (when in individual containers of 46,324 10,771 one gallon or more) 45,740 4,959,520 XXX XXX TOTAL

^{*} Computed on the same basis as for the annual Census of Industry reports.

NOTE: The above figures are for firms which normally account for 95 per cent of the total Canadian production. These figures have not been expanded.

Table 2 - Production and Factory Shipments. Five Months Ended May, 1955

Item	Production	Factory shipments	
		Quantity shipped	Value of shipments
Hard soaps:	(Pounds)	(Pounds)	\$
Bar laundry and household soaps:			
(a) Built	1,236,942 6,268,245	931,152 6,219,336	118,681 1,070,143
Scap chips and flakes:			
(a) In household packages (under 25 pounds) (b) In bulk (except textile and mill)	3,207,950	3,217,208	523,003
(25 pounds and over)	5,159,473	5,150,568	573,228
Toilet soaps (except liquid) (when less than 2 pounds each)	14,250,128	14,928,790	4,365,478
Soap powders (granulated, powdered and sprayed, containing more than 25% anhydrous soap):			
(a) In household packages (under 25 pounds) (b) In bulk (25 pounds and over)	17,089,630 3,324,775	16,947,619 3,410,751	3,405,559 430,846
Synthetic detergents:			
Solid (including bars, flake or powder):			
(a) In household packages (under 25 pounds) (b) In bulk (25 pounds and over)	41,163,126 3,487,600	43,973,362 3,439,197	11,720,2 7 9 590,874
Liquid:			
(a) Packaged (when in individual containers of less than one gallon)	Not available	3,906,631	1,398,049
(b) Bulk (when in individual containers of one gallon or more)	522,123	505,158	150,138
Paste:			
(a) Packaged (when in individual containers of less than one gallon)	F4 500		ato .
(b) Bulk (when in individual containers of one gallon or more)	342,078	380,689	90,007
TOTAL	XXX	XXX	24,436,285

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See January report for list of reporting firms.

