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SAND AND GRAVEL IN CANADA, 1925

The production of sand and gravel in Canada during 1925 totalled 11,018,647 tons valued at \$3,220,410 according to finally revised statistics issued by the Mining, Metallurgical and Chemical Branch of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa. In 1924, the production was 11,603,500 tons worth \$3,181,083. Sand and gravel produced by railway companies made up 38.2 per cent of the total Canadian production.

Importations of sand and gravel into Canada during the year were recorded at 282,203 tons appraised at \$184,000 while silica sand imported for the manufacture of glass and carborundum and for use in foundries amounted to 143,502 tons at \$353,237. As compared with 1924, sand and gravel exported in 1925 decreased 16.5 per cent to a total of 864,672 tons.

Capital employed, including purchase cost of pits, equipment, stock on hand, cash and collectable accounts, by the 435 operators in the sand and gravel industry amounted to \$5,286,268. The total number of employees in this industry was reported at 1,650, consisting of 98 salaried employees and 1,552 wage-earners. Salaries and wages paid reached the sum of \$1,231,856. Fuel and electricity cost \$158,645, of which \$19,386 was paid for electric power. Primary power employed consisted of 106 units with a total manufacturers' rating of 5,024 h.p.

The data referring to capital actually employed, number of employees, salaries and wages paid and fuel costs do not include any statistics regarding the production by railway companies. Because of the varied nature of the operations of these companies it is not possible to obtain any data other than production figures.

PRODUCTION IN CANADA, IMPORTS AND EXPORTS OF SAND AND GRAVEL IN 1925.

	Tons	Value \$
Production--		
Moulding sand.....	57,656	48,880
Building sand and sand for concrete, roadwork, etc....	2,557,623	755,289
Other sand (including blast, core and engine sands)..	47,538	17,770
Sand and gravel for railway ballast.....	3,950,328	570,235
Sand and gravel for concrete, road building, etc.....	3,955,166	1,626,834
Crushed gravel.....	450,336	201,402
TOTAL.....	11,018,647	3,220,410
Imports--		
Sand, silica for glass and carborundum manufacture, etc..	143,501	353,237
Sand and gravel, n.o.p.....	282,203	184,000
TOTAL.....	425,704	537,237
Exports.....	864,672	198,485

PRINCIPAL STATISTICS OF THE SAND AND GRAVEL INDUSTRY IN CANADA[#] 1924 and 1925.

	1924	1925
No. of Firms.....	558	622
Capital Employed..... \$	5,194,037	5,286,268
Number of Employees:- On Salary.....	93	98
On Wages.....	834	1,552
Total.....	927	1,650
Salaries and Wages:- Salaries..... \$	190,650	209,512
Wages..... \$	658,091	1,022,344
Total..... \$	848,741	1,231,856
Cost of Fuel and Electricity..... \$	134,378	158,645
Selling value of..... \$	2,441,914	2,601,970
Selling value of sand and gravel produced by railway companies..... \$	739,169	610,440
Total selling value of sand and gravel produced..... \$	3,181,083	3,220,410

Except for the item of production, the data in this table refer to producers other than railway companies.

* By operators other than railway companies.

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