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Forty-five plants in Canada, classified under the Acids, Alkalies and Salts Industry, were engaged chiefly in the production of chemicals in 1955. Factory shipments reported by this group were valued at \$172,255,750, an increase of 21.3 per cent over the total for the previous year. Twenty-one of these plants were located in Ontario, 16 in Quebec, 2 in British Columbia, 3 in Alberta and 1 in each of Nova Scotia, Saskatchewan and the Northwest Territories. These concerns gave employment to 8,597 people who were paid \$35,547,851 in salaries and wages. Materials used in manufacturing processes cost \$61,686,514 and expenditures for fuel and electricity amounted to \$15,033,501.

Except for sulphuric acid, caustic soda and chlorine, separate figures for the production of chemicals in this group are not published as many of the individual items were made by only one or two concerns. However, a special compilation which gives a fairly good summary of the total output of chemicals as gathered up from all industries is shown in Table 4. A list of the more important chemicals made by the factories in this group is shown in the directory which appears at the back of this bulletin.

The output of sulphuric acid (100% acid) increased to 950,277 tons in 1955 from the 923,800 tons produced in 1954. Twelve plants were operated by nine companies, as follows: The Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company of Canada Limited, at Trail, British Columbia; Canadian Industries Limited, at Copper Cliff and Hamilton, Ontario; Nichols Chemical Company Limited, at Sulphide, Ontario, Valleyfield, Quebec, and Barnet, British Columbia; Dominion Steel and Coal Corporation Limited, at Sydney, Nova Scotia; Aluminum Company of Canada Ltd., at Arvida, Quebec; the North American Cyanamid Limited (Welland Works), at Niagara Falls, Ontario; Gunnar Mines at Uranium City, Saskatchewan; Inland Chemicals Limited, at Fort Saskatchewan, Alberta; and Eldorado Mining and Refining Ltd., at Port Radium, Northwest Territories. The first two of these works, at Trail and Copper Cliff, operated entirely on sulphur-bearing smelter gases.

Production of chlorine, either as a gas or liquid, totalled 193,000 tons in 1955, while the output of caustic soda amounted to 226,000 tons. In 1955 there were ten caustic soda-chlorine plants in Canada. Canadian Industries Limited, had works at Cornwall, Ontario, and at Shawinigan Falls, Quebec. Other producers included Dow Chemical of Canada, Limited, Sarnia, Ontario; Standard Chemical Company, Limited, Beauharnois, Quebec; Aluminum Company of Canada Limited, Arvida, Quebec; Western Chemical Limited, Duvernay, Alberta; the Canadian International Paper Company, Temiskaming, Quebec; the Howard Smith Paper Mills Limited, Cornwall, Ontario; the KVP Company Limited, Espanola, Ontario; and the Marathon Paper Mills of Canada Ltd., Marathon, Ontario. The last four concerns are paper mills which make these chemicals for their own use.

Note: Figures for value added by manufacture, shown in Table 1, prior to 1952 were obtained by subtracting the cost of materials used, including fuel and electricity, from the value of production. In 1952 the gross value of production was replaced by value of factory shipments, f.o.b. plant. As no information on inventory change is available for 1952 and 1953, value added figures for these years were obtained by subtracting from the value of shipments the cost of materials, fuel and electricity. In 1954 and 1955 information on the value of year-end inventory holdings at plant and plant warehouses was collected as part of the annual Census of Industry and information thus made available was taken into account in calculating the value added figures for 1954 and 1955.

**TABLE 1. Principal Statistics of the Acids, Alkalies and Salts Industry, Significant Years 1929-1955
and by Provinces, 1954 and 1955**

Year and province	Establishments	Employees	Salaries and wages	Cost of fuel and electricity at plant	Cost at plant of materials used	Value added by manufacture ¹	Gross selling value of products ¹
	No.	No.	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1929	15	2,897	4,338,686	2,921,129	6,301,121	18,799,722	28,021,972
1931	14	1,694	2,426,880	2,167,585	2,407,682	6,377,230	10,952,497
1937	21	3,359	4,893,418	2,810,364	6,008,977	13,590,827	22,410,168
1939	25	3,128	5,032,898	2,548,217	6,021,716	14,486,673	23,056,606
1944	28	7,964	15,752,782	8,980,955	29,540,390	42,801,806	81,323,151
1946	29	5,338	11,158,999	6,431,503	14,650,883	26,219,014	47,301,400
1949	28	5,861	16,504,908	7,355,353	27,392,521	39,663,922	74,411,796
1951	29	7,371	24,579,398	11,127,663	39,238,794	67,456,301	117,822,758
1952	29	7,591	27,208,422	11,167,181	37,777,278	65,243,067	114,187,526
1953	41	8,278	31,174,479	13,264,151	43,083,175	70,952,111	127,299,437
1954							
Nova Scotia	1	3,452	13,965,190	5,219,662	21,910,974	28,696,766	56,229,798
Quebec	15						
Ontario	22	4,507	17,505,366	7,758,764	25,091,181	44,492,971	77,333,737
Alberta	2						
British Columbia	2	449	1,955,308	379,953	2,398,396	6,186,552	8,438,066
Northwest Territories	1						
Canada	43	8,408	33,425,864	13,358,379	49,400,551	79,376,289	142,001,601
1955							
Nova Scotia	1	3,648	15,409,741	5,344,111	27,709,287	35,153,060	67,849,364
Quebec	16						
Ontario	21	4,455	17,876,310	8,927,890	30,991,574	52,176,835	92,645,255
Saskatchewan	1						
Alberta	3	494	2,261,800	761,500	2,985,653	7,694,104	11,761,141
British Columbia	2						
Northwest Territories	1						
Canada	45	8,597	35,547,851	15,033,501	61,686,514	95,023,999	172,255,750

1. See footnote to Text.

Note: Profits or losses cannot be calculated from above figures as data are not available for general expense items, such as interest, rent, depreciation, taxes, insurance, advertising, etc.

TABLE 2. Inventories¹, 1955

	Raw materials and supplies	Goods in process	Finished goods of own manufacture	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Opening:				
Nova Scotia and Quebec	6,898,303	114,279	3,660,496	10,673,078
Ontario	6,906,357	823,746	4,060,054	11,790,157
Saskatchewan, Alberta, British Columbia and Northwest Territories	664,357	280,811	1,118,379	2,063,547
Canada	14,469,017	1,218,836	8,838,929	24,526,782
Closing:				
Nova Scotia and Quebec	6,689,463	406,343	4,017,590	11,113,396
Ontario	6,990,644	906,161	3,511,098	11,407,903
Saskatchewan, Alberta, British Columbia and Northwest Territories	1,178,795	221,513	798,505	2,198,813
Canada	14,858,902	1,534,017	8,327,193	24,720,112

1. (a) Book value of all manufacturing inventories owned and held at plant and plant warehouses.

(b) Beginning with 1954 information on the value of year-end inventory holdings at plant and plant warehouses is being collected as part of the annual Census of Industry. These data were formerly collected by a separate survey. The summarized results for the Acids, Alkalies and Salts Industry for the year under review are shown in the above table.

(c) The opening inventory for 1955 does not necessarily agree with the closing inventory for 1954 because of the addition of new plants, the transfer of plants to other industries and plants going out of business, etc. However, the value added figures for the previous year have not been recalculated to allow for the revisions mentioned above.

TABLE 3. Materials Used in the Acids, Alkalies and Salts Industry, 1954 and 1955

Material		1954		1955	
		Quantity	Cost at works	Quantity	Cost at works
			\$		\$
Acetone	lb.	902,433	92,834	1,067,389	96,351
Acetylene	M cu. ft.	44,620	394,088	43,125	380,120
Acid:					
Acetic, 99½%.....	lb.	10,436	1,427	10,774	1,435
Hydrochloric (muriatic)	"	2,787,002	60,036	4,203,750	98,907
Nitric, 42° Be	"	1,984,244	96,225	2,429,979	121,538
Sulphuric, 100%.....	"	19,259,013	322,004	24,698,281	415,654
Alcohol:					
Butyl	lb.	248,957	50,092	546,467	65,944
Ethyl	Imp. gal.	3,786	4,719	8,538	10,988
Isopropyl	lb.	174,377	23,720	107,572	17,726
Methyl	Imp. gal.	1,376,151	419,767	1,663,190	458,095
Ammonia liquor	lb. NH ₃	1,247,792	91,329	1,303,946	91,909
Ammonia, anhydrous	lb.	12,545,001	679,761	16,441,076	926,642
Benzol	"	1,926,936	107,831	2,490,355	132,977
Calcium chloride	"	434,100	11,470	483,150	10,694
Carbon, activated	"	522,765	190,023	246,384	92,459
Chlorine, liquid	"	45,763,688	1,063,147	6,856,651	233,793
Coal (except for fuel):					
Anthracite	tons	27,184	380,728	12,259	149,511
Bituminous	—	—	—	—	—
Coke (except for fuel):					
Petroleum	tons	—	—	3,161	55,209
Other	"	188,525	3,385,543	243,079	4,257,774
Electrodes (purchased)	—	—	685,217	—	687,100
Fatty acid (oleic, stearic, etc.)	lb.	372,604	58,705	387,673	56,993
Fluorspar	tons	63,751	1,985,027	68,592	1,978,468
Formaldehyde	lb.	1,155,597	46,172	976,862	36,078
Graphite	lb.	496,753	113,769	687,303	153,052
Limestone	tons	958,176	1,697,758	1,035,368	1,832,345
Lime, hydrated	"	35,376	246,131	8,762	49,238
Lime, quick	"	16,349	256,720	17,747	289,574
Mercury	lb.	134,870	283,794	123,428	328,624
Phenol	"	845,200	143,136	1,388,392	240,263
Petrochemical feed stocks	—	—	2,794,897	—	3,694,843
Phthalic anhydride	lb.	1,325,316	241,513	1,740,959	342,758
Pyrites	tons	74,465	659,581	123,619	999,695
Quartz, quartzite and silica sand	tons	51,818	314,893	52,487	323,525
Sodium carbonate (soda ash)	lb.	81,557,426	1,755,005	87,091,488	1,803,859
Sodium chloride, dry and brine (salt content)	tons	645,993	2,951,810	792,525	3,476,596
Sodium bichromate	lb.	116,697	11,564	136,340	16,379
Sodium hydroxide (caustic soda)	"	23,420,572	863,539	24,210,335	879,112
Sodium nitrate	"	265,264	9,454	513,427	22,771
Sodium silicate (water glass)	"	1,400	42	—	—
Sodium sulphide	"	145,833	7,881	151,377	7,099
Sulphur (brimstone)	tons	80,871	2,989,836	82,947	3,105,280
Urea	lb.	460,263	30,697	501,755	31,051
Zinc oxide	lb.	63,061	8,973	71,258	9,071
Containers of all kinds and packing materials	—	—	3,009,104	—	3,440,783
Steel sheets for making containers	tons	3,823	610,087	5,510	891,402
Lumber	M bd. ft.	161	10,648	176	11,670
All other materials and supplies	—	—	20,239,854	—	29,361,159
Total	—	—	49,400,551	—	61,686,514

Total Production of Chemicals

It is very difficult to get, from official reports, the statistics covering the total production in Canada of heavy and fine chemicals. There are two reasons for this, the first being that data for many of the individual items cannot be shown because they were made by only one or two concerns, and the second being that chemicals are made in a number of different industries. Ethyl alcohol, for example, is a product of the distilled liquors industry; methyl alcohol comes under wood distillation; some fine chemicals are made in the phar-

maceutical industry; ammonium sulphate is produced in coke plants; cobalt and nickel salts are made in the non-ferrous metal refineries, and so on. The Bureau has made, therefore, a special compilation shown in Table 4 which gives a fairly good summary of the total output as gathered up from all industries. The values cover only the products made for sale as there is no adequate record of the intermediates made for the further use of the producers. The output in 1955 was around \$339,677,000 compared with \$279,846,000 in 1954.

TABLE 4. Total Production of Chemicals, 1954 and 1955

	Selling value at works	
	1954	1955
	\$	\$
<i>Acids, including acetic, muriatic, nitric, sulphuric, phosphoric, stearic, etc.</i>	19,174,000	21,140,000
<i>Calcium compounds, including carbide, chloride, phosphide, cyanamide, cyanide acid phosphate, grey acetate, arsenate, chloride of lime, etc.</i>	16,469,000	18,505,000
<i>Sodium compounds, including hydroxide, phosphate, cyanide, silicate, hypochlorite, bisulphite, salt cake, Glauber's salt, chlorate, acid pyrophosphate, soda ash, sal soda, bisulphate, etc., (pharmaceutical salts included elsewhere)....</i>	30,664,000	35,096,000
<i>Organic chemicals, including acetic anhydride, butyl acetate, ethyl acetate, paraldehyde, glycols, pentasol acetate, vinyl acetate, ethyl alcohol, methyl hydrate, glycerine, phenol, cresol, benzol, etc., (acetic acid and acetylene included elsewhere)</i>	72,936,000	82,934,000
<i>Compressed and liquefied gases, etc., including acetylene, carbon dioxide, oxygen, nitrous oxide, liquid sulphur dioxide, liquid chlorine, anhydrous and aqua ammonia, liquefied petroleum gases, etc.</i>	33,723,000	38,951,000
<i>Fertilizer chemicals, including ammonium sulphate, ammonium nitrate (fertilizer grade), ammonium phosphate, and superphosphate</i>	45,386,000	59,746,000
<i>Synthetic resins, including casein type, vinyls, polystyrene, phenol-formaldehyde, urea-formaldehyde, alkyls, sodium carboxymethylcellulose, etc.</i>	36,647,000	49,430,000
<i>Other chemicals, including white lead, zinc oxide, red lead, litharge, cobalt salts, nickel salts, ferric chloride, lead arsenate, phosphorus, white arsenic, ammonium nitrate, fine chemicals, precious metal salts, etc.</i>	24,847,000	33,875,000
Total	279,846,000	339,677,000

TABLE 5. Production, Imports, Exports and Apparent Consumption of Sulphuric Acid, 1925-1955

Year	Production	Imports	Exports	Apparent
				consumption ¹
Short tons of 100% acid				
1925	77,700	52	19,179	58,573
1930	100,020	150	571	99,599
1935	209,083	83	1,027	208,139
1940	301,444	142	2,244	299,342
1945	664,302	149	11,203	653,248
1946	593,577	166	3,296	590,447
1947	668,802	116	29,909	639,009
1948	679,448	59	29,478	650,029
1949	707,717	24	17,336	690,405
1950	756,110	332	44,417	712,025
1951	820,867	1,162	57,000	765,029
1952	816,270	85	33,135	783,220
1953	822,608	70	47,889	774,789
1954	923,800	110	21,930	901,980
1955	950,277	151	29,578	920,850

1. No allowance made for changes in inventories.

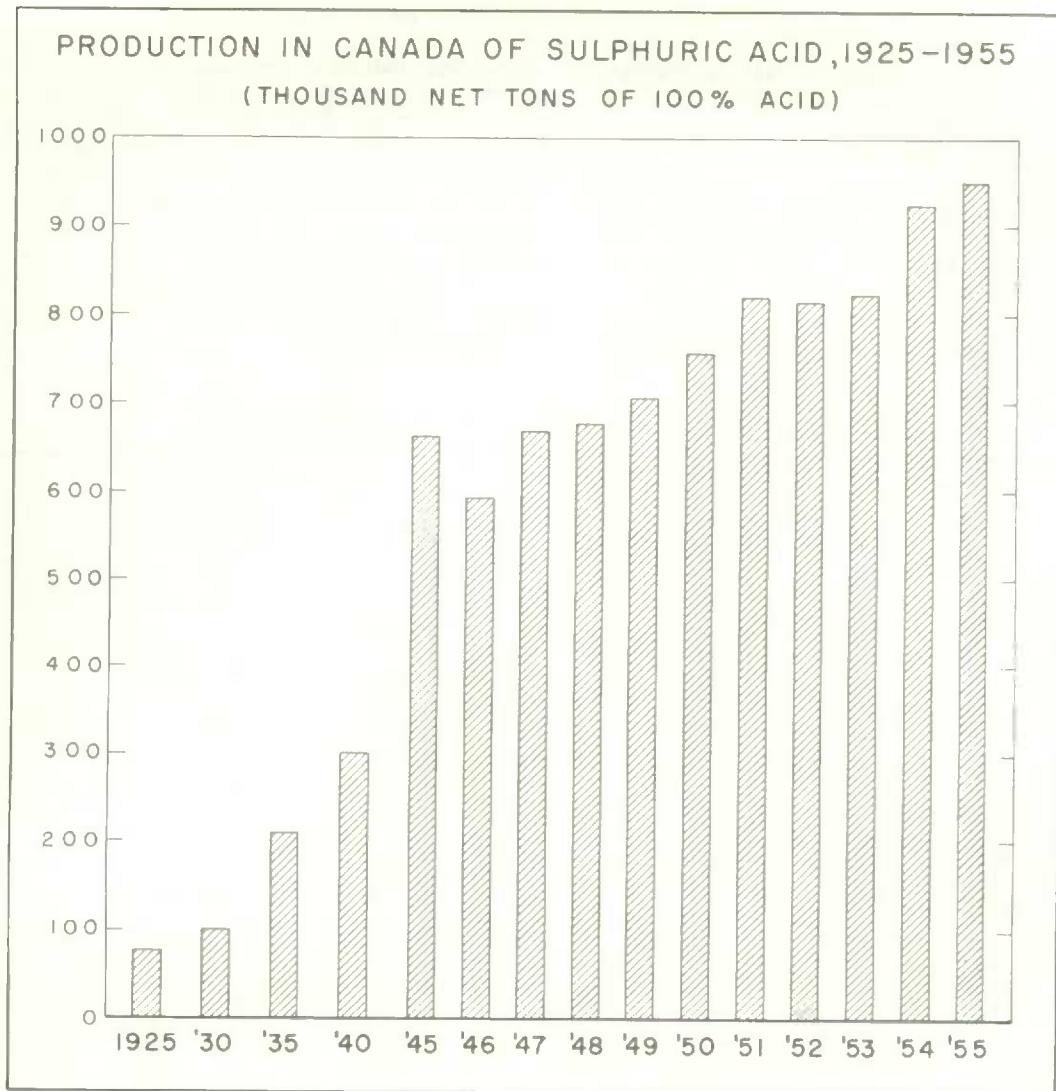


TABLE 6. Production, Imports and Exports of Chlorine and Caustic Soda, 1951-1955

Year	Chlorine	Caustic soda ² (100% Na OH)
	Tons	
(a) Production:		
1951	155,000	180,000
1952	169,000	190,000
1953	169,000	192,000
1954	167,000	199,000
1955	193,000	226,000
(b) Imports:		
1951	12,916	23,300
1952	15,800	28,500
1953	20,400	43,700
1954	32,100	65,900
1955	38,000	73,300
(c) Exports ¹ :		
1952	14,200	6,600
1953	17,900	2,600
1954	2,900	200
1955	10,400	100

1. Not available separately prior to 1952.

2. Imports of caustic soda solution shown in Table 14 represent gross weight which is in terms of 50% Na OH approximately. Figures in Table 6 have been converted to 100% Na OH to agree with the basis used in production and exports.

TABLE 7. Consumption of Sulphuric Acid, by Industries, 1953-1955

Industry	1953	1954	1955
Short tons of 100% acid			
Fertilizers	485,600	603,200	577,100
Heavy chemicals	124,400	123,400	139,700
Explosives	29,000	4	4
Non-ferrous metal smelting and refining	19,300	19,300 ¹	24,500 ¹
Textiles	30,200	4	4
Coke and gas	33,600	31,000	37,900
Petroleum refining	7,400	5,400 ²	6,500
Leather tanning	2,100	1,900	2,300
Iron and steel	29,900	25,800 ²	35,300
Electrical apparatus	5,700	6,000	8,100
Plastics	9,100	13,700	15,000
Soaps	10,400	10,600	11,300
Adhesives	300	500	200
Miscellaneous chemicals	3,000	4	4
Sugar refining	400	300	300
Pulp and paper	6,900	9,300	8,700
Vegetable oils	100	100	100
Sausage and sausage casings	N.A.	4	4
Miscellaneous ³	—	72,000 ²	70,800
Total accounted for	797,400	922,500²	937,800

1. Estimated.

2. Revised.

3. Includes explosives, textiles, miscellaneous chemicals and sausage and sausage casings groups in 1954 and 1955.

4. Included with "miscellaneous".

TABLE 8. Available Data on Consumption of Chlorine, by Industries, 1953-1955

Industry	1953	1954	1955
Tons			
Pulp and paper	97,400	114,700	128,600
Heavy chemicals	65,300	69,300	70,000
Soaps	3,300	3,900	4,000
Municipal waterworks	1,340	1,400 ¹	1,600
Mining	3,000	3,000 ¹	3,000 ¹
Starch and glucose	160	100	60
Dyeing and finishing of textiles	30	10	10
Miscellaneous chemicals	50	50	500
Fertilizers	30	30	35
Synthetic textiles	30	30	30 ¹
Primary plastics	140	200	200
Medicinal and pharmaceutical preparations	230	140	100
Total accounted for	171,010	192,860	208,135

1. Estimated.

TABLE 9. Available Data on Consumption of Caustic Soda, by Industries, 1953-1955

Industry	1953	1954	1955
Tons			
Pulp and paper	102,200	117,100	122,900
Soaps, washing compounds and cleaning preparations	19,600	20,000	21,200
Heavy chemicals	53,900	52,900	54,900
Synthetic textiles and silk industry	19,200	5	5
Petroleum refining	6,900	8,200	8,700
Primary plastics	6,100	7,600	9,400
Miscellaneous chemicals	3,300	5	5
Miscellaneous foods	1,500	1,400	1,400
Mining	1,400	1,400 ¹	1,400 ¹
Coke and gas	800	1,000	1,500
Medicinals and pharmaceuticals	1,500	1,100	1,100
Non-ferrous metal refining	260	2	2

TABLE 9. Available Data on Consumption of Caustic Soda, by Industries, 1953-1955 - Concluded

Industry	1953	1954	1955
Tons			
Starch and glucose	400	400	4
Dyeing and finishing of textiles	90	60	100
Toilet preparations	300	300	300
Compressed gases	170	200	200
Fertilizers	420	200	200
Sausage and sausage casings	n.a.	5	5
Sugar refining	30	50	50
Vegetable oils	130	50	50
Adhesives	630	900	80
Miscellaneous ³	—	30,700	37,200
Total accounted for	218,570	243,560	260,680

1. Estimated.

2. Included with "mining".

3. Includes synthetic textiles, miscellaneous chemicals and sausage and sausage casings groups in 1954.

4. Included with miscellaneous foods.

5. Included with "miscellaneous".

TABLE 10. Principal Statistics of the Acids, Alkalies and Salts Industry in Canada,
Grouped According to Size of Establishment, 1954 and 1955

Establishments having a production of	Establishments	Employees	Salaries and wages	Cost at plant of materials used	Selling value of factory shipments
	No.	No.	\$	\$	\$
1954					
\$25,000 to \$49,999	1				
\$50,000 to \$99,999	1	26	114,204	202,323	367,029
\$100,000 to \$199,999	2				
\$200,000 to \$499,999	5	149	524,212	853,059	1,706,688
\$500,000 to \$999,999	7	346	1,220,511	2,807,728	5,758,184
\$1,000,000 to \$4,999,999	18	1,986	8,025,324	14,924,606	38,792,778
\$5,000,000 and over	9	5,500	21,415,165	30,612,835	95,376,922
Head offices	—	401	2,126,448	—	—
Total	43	8,408	33,425,864	49,400,551	142,001,601
1955					
\$50,000 to \$99,999	1				
\$100,000 to \$199,999	2	17	61,915	283,037	398,544
\$200,000 to \$499,999	6	90	353,968	1,057,088	1,910,849
\$500,000 to \$999,999	7	302	1,142,972	2,815,227	4,919,957
\$1,000,000 to \$4,999,999	19	1,700	6,644,391	18,343,008	43,519,966
\$5,000,000 and over	10	5,853	23,982,404	39,188,154	121,506,434
Head offices	—	635	3,362,201	—	—
Total	45	8,597	35,547,851	61,686,514	172,255,750

CHEMICALS AND ALLIED PRODUCTS

TABLE 11. Employees and Earnings, by Provinces, 1954 and 1955

Province	Number of employees					Earnings		Total earnings	
	Administrative		Workmen		Total	Administrative	Workmen		
	Male	Female	Male	Female					
1954						\$	\$	\$	
Quebec	693	179	2,552	19	3,443	4,442,686	9,456,830	13,899,516	
Ontario	1,245	346	2,893	23	4,507	6,652,570	10,852,796	17,505,366	
Other provinces	96	43	319	—	458	601,742	1,419,240	2,020,982	
Canada	2,034	568	5,764	42	8,408	11,696,998	21,728,866	33,425,864	
1955									
Quebec	787	261	2,574	17	3,639	5,529,987	9,832,033	15,362,020	
Ontario	1,192	295	2,939	29	4,455	6,509,588	11,366,722	17,876,310	
Other provinces	133	30	334	6	503	761,982	1,547,539	2,309,521	
Canada	2,112	586	5,847	52	8,597	12,801,557	22,746,294	35,547,851	

TABLE 12. Production Workers, by Months, 1954 and 1955

Month	1954			1955		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
	Number					
January	6,055	44	6,099	5,646	42	4,688
February	5,989	46	6,035	5,755	45	5,800
March	5,928	50	5,978	5,751	44	5,795
April	5,816	42	5,858	5,649	47	5,726
May	5,817	45	5,862	5,831	47	5,878
June	5,842	41	5,883	5,952	49	6,001
July	5,782	43	5,825	5,991	60	6,051
August	5,659	44	5,703	5,982	55	6,037
September	5,688	41	5,729	5,939	55	5,994
October	5,610	41	5,651	5,943	59	6,002
November	5,547	38	5,585	5,903	61	5,964
December	5,445	38	5,483	5,822	64	5,886
Average	5,764	42	5,806	5,847	52	5,899

TABLE 13. Capital and Repair Expenditures in the Acids, Alkalies and Salts Industry, 1951-1955

Year	Capital expenditures		Sub-total	Repair and maintenance expenditures		Sub-total	Total capital and repair expenditures
	Construction	Machinery and equipment		Construction	Machinery and equipment		
	\$'000						
1951	2,448	9,050	11,498	1,222	9,871	11,093	22,591
1952	41,591	40,822	82,413	1,638	10,661	12,299	94,712
1953	22,272	56,536	78,808	1,451	11,077	12,528	91,336
1954	2,350	6,258	8,608	2,525	12,334	14,859	23,467
1955 ¹	8,367	11,346	19,713	1,933	11,614	13,547	33,260

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TABLE 14. Imports of Acids and Certain Inorganic Chemicals, 1954 and 1955

Commodity	1954		1955	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
ACIDS				
Inorganic acids:		\$		\$
Acid, boracic, in packages of not less than 25 pounds	lb.	2,349,177	127,528	3,019,580
Acid, hydrofluosilicic	"	104,476	12,323	157,312
Acid, muriatic	"	2,633,492	42,992	1,002,680
Acid, nitric	"	862,809	42,627	487,792
Acid, phosphoric	"	701,299	57,401	444,131
Acid, sulphuric	"	220,285	3,884	301,732
Acid, arsenic	"	1,099,314	38,641	847,413
Acid, chromic	"	842,175	209,424	1,183,090
Organic acids:				
Acid, salicylic and acetylsalicylic	lb.	664,697	340,473	736,978
Acid, lactic	"	565,575	113,241	575,917
Acid, nicotinic	"	86,863	244,297	205,525
Acid, oleic, or red oil	"	1,265,090	236,957	1,569,147
Acid, acetic and pyroligneous	gal.	1,156	1,390	921
Acid, citric	lb.	1,100,095	254,609	167,413
Acid, cresylic	"	381,685	30,826	623,205
Xanthates and sulpho-thiophosphoric (dithiophosphoric compounds, for concentrating ores, metals or minerals)	"	6,397,681	1,563,377	7,173,049
Acid, oxalic	"	708,254	97,683	1,204,523
Acid, stearic	"	1,060,626	155,326	1,506,007
Acid, tannic	"	333,079	71,903	314,184
Tartaric acid crystals or powder	"	763,095	197,818	818,595
Acid, ascorbic	"	33,906	249,576	43,048
Acid, formic	"	496,268	56,208	929,975
Acid, carbolic or phenol	"	7,933,646	1,232,148	8,059,780
Acids, other, n.o.p.	"	3,589,322	1,018,600	5,788,830
Total acids	—	—	6,399,252	—
INORGANIC CHEMICALS, N.O.P.				
Alum, in bulk, ground or unground, but not calcined	cwt.	17,481	64,338	20,656
Chloralum or chloride of aluminum	"	10,403	121,286	16,841
Sulphate of iron (copperas)	"	14,875	25,554	17,798
Sulphate of alumina or alum cake	"	339,204	591,073	291,266
Ammonia, nitrate of	lb.	1,628,615	86,017	1,659,787
Sal ammoniac	"	613,254	33,986	566,394
Sal ammoniac skimmings	"	274,037	24,208	675,299
Ammonia, anhydrous	"	54,037,690	2,280,305	46,583,593
Ammonia compounds, n.o.p.	"	6,412,502	283,455	6,236,698
Antimony, arsenic, copper, tin and zinc compounds:				
Antimony salts, viz., tartar emetic, chloride and lactate (antimonine)	lb.	27,000	14,669	38,664
Arsenious oxide and arsenic sulphide	—	—	—	—
Copper, sub-acetate of, or verdigris, dry, and precipitate of	lb.	400	194	—
Copper, sulphate of	"	2,125,312	206,490	2,265,558
Tin, bichloride of, and tin crystals	"	8,012	7,671	10,402
Zinc, chloride of	"	296,229	27,722	257,454
Zinc, sulphate of	"	2,814,210	123,535	2,829,330
Bismuth and lead compounds:				
Bismuth salts	—	—	31,136	—
Lead, acetate of, not ground	lb.	89,478	13,967	160,084
Lead, arsenate of	"	98,168	16,447	130,800
Lead, nitrate of, not ground	"	237,984	34,516	313,885
Compounds of tetraethyl lead	"	30,590,786	11,429,398	35,058,685
Bromine, chlorine and iodine compounds:				
Bromine	lb.	79,603	12,880	31,686
Chlorine, liquid, or chlorine gas	"	64,274,784	1,811,338	75,978,923
Iodine, crude	"	102,087	121,506	111,826
Iodized mineral salts, for use in the feeding of animals	—	—	22,218	—

TABLE 14. Imports of Acids and Certain Inorganic Chemicals, 1954 and 1955 - Concluded

Commodity	1954		1955		
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	
Calcium compounds:		\$		\$	
Calcium arsenate	lb.	110,000	6,050	564,865	28,601
Calcium chloride	cwt.	166,380	220,135	355,178	471,565
Chloride of lime	"	29,448	186,844	36,966	246,746
Calcium molybdate, vanadium oxide and tungsten oxide, for the manufacture of steel	lb.	121,339	73,950	129,130	174,249
Calcium compounds, n.o.p.	"	4,830,197	612,289	5,096,921	578,055
Potash and potassium compounds, n.o.p.:					
Argols	lb.	247,466	48,412	305,705	74,413
Cream of tartar in crystals	lb.	255,787	23,026	474,303	40,384
Potash and pearl ash	"	9,460	1,253	11,080	1,514
Potash, bicarbonate of, crude	"	303,418	42,305	255,474	38,546
Potash, caustic	"	5,445,133	288,058	4,940,584	274,830
Potash, chlorate of, not further prepared than ground....	"	118,242	15,587	131,588	18,656
Potash, red and yellow, prussiate of	"	19,534	7,045	27,524	8,648
Potash, nitrate of, or saltpetre	"	989,308	58,546	1,240,077	81,253
Potash compounds, n.o.p.	"	2,335,059	388,433	3,246,801	485,963
Soda and sodium compounds, n.o.p.:					
Borax, in packages of not less than 25 pounds, and fused borax known as borax-glass	lb.	16,905,673	511,006	18,844,042	552,338
Glauber's salt	"	10,267,472	144,979	7,775,968	131,447
Soda, arsenite, binarsenate and stannate of	"	109,772	27,343	94,990	32,843
Soda ash or barilla	"	187,665,644	2,516,720	237,799,515	3,308,412
Soda, bicarbonate of	"	16,643,466	331,426	17,033,493	353,892
Soda, bichromate of	"	4,345,491	443,798	6,763,005	736,333
Soda, bisulphate of, or nitre cake	"	2,393,310	65,233	2,491,955	58,039
Soda, bisulphite of	"	555,009	25,275	1,292,700	58,922
Soda, caustic, in packages	"	13,026,775	514,883	18,788,909	710,989
Soda, caustic, in solution	"	237,509,516	3,003,865	255,708,597	3,409,803
Soda, chlorate of	"	299,936	25,834	121,050	8,983
Sodium cyanide	"	7,581,788	933,896	9,055,531	1,141,580
Sodium glutamate	"	892,703	1,338,788	1,191,755	1,677,444
Soda, hyposulphite of	"	556,649	26,237	779,458	38,235
Soda, nitrite of	"	1,147,581	47,525	1,517,150	62,723
Soda, peroxide of	"	830,627	129,935	723,672	105,523
Soda phosphate, di-sodium	"	83,130	6,245	59,700	4,730
Soda phosphate, tri-sodium	"	841,180	42,895	864,010	41,262
Soda phosphate, n.o.p.	"	5,386,124	500,144	3,244,597	350,583
Soda, prussiate of	"	720,632	76,943	768,972	86,080
Soda, sal	"	65,000	1,269	370,220	24,861
Soda, silicate of, in crystals or in water solution	"	5,161,792	184,877	5,422,613	209,735
Soda, sulphate of, crude, or salt cake	"	60,470,777	482,652	59,855,362	574,440
Soda, sulphide of	"	2,282,841	102,739	3,455,738	165,304
Soda, sulphite of	"	6,902,951	167,882	4,616,081	113,481
Soda, benzoate of	"	122,800	41,357	19,625	7,764
Soda, bromide of	"	50,945	17,852	36,587	11,673
Soda, citrate of	"	103,151	25,592	87,343	24,339
Soda, fluoride of	"	208,310	27,966	732,902	89,710
Soda, antimonate of	"	317,380	84,298	370,100	104,910
Sodium compounds, n.o.p.	"	16,050,376	1,518,557	17,375,005	1,576,737
Other inorganic chemicals:					
Acid phosphate, not medicinal	lb.	2,288,097	206,559	2,361,776	204,983
Hydrogen peroxides, solutions of	"	523,006	132,459	1,404,925	314,829
Magnesium carbonate, basic or otherwise, excepting crude rock; and magnesium carbonate, for use in the compounding or manufacture of rubber products	"	739,468	51,917	797,879	58,823
Magnesium salts or compounds, n.o.p.	"	12,195,325	342,572	10,553,814	267,002
Magnesium sulphate, or Epsom salts	"	4,730,761	70,374	4,752,058	69,009
Mercury salts	"	—	18,472	—	11,258
Phosphorus and compounds thereof, n.o.p.	lb.	162,292	30,618	126,226	47,611
Radium	"	—	282,133	—	850,256
Molybdenum oxide	lb.	423,344	207,744	658,060	545,518
Barium peroxide	"	—	—	4,900	1,117
Total inorganic chemicals, n.o.p.	—	—	34,066,701	—	39,599,607

TABLE 15. Exports of Acids and Inorganic Chemicals, 1954 and 1955

Commodity	1954		1955		
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	
		\$		\$	
Acid, sulphuric	cwt.	438,594	417,295	591,558	554,109
Acids, n.o.p.	"	166,087	1,293,777	345,603	1,318,768
Total acids	-	-	1,711,072	-	1,872,877
Ammonium sulphate	cwt.	3,095,199	6,964,552	-	10,978,475
Ammonium compounds, n.o.p.	"	12,172	51,094	6,327	26,723
Arsenic	"	14,226	58,871	9,406	40,794
Acetate of lime	-	-	-	-	-
Calcium compounds	cwt.	691,513	2,436,420	703,362	2,805,619
Lye	-	-	1,141	-	788
Baking powder	cwt.	41	616	21	369
Soda and sodium compounds	"	2,549,642	6,532,614	1,513,908	7,023,374
Cobalt oxide and cobalt salts	lb.	836,205	1,454,648	1,640,282	2,894,384
Chlorine, liquid, or chlorine gas	cwt.	58,775	173,859	208,937	492,585
Caustic soda	"	3,770	10,201	1,630	4,417
Total other chemicals	-	-	17,684,016	-	24,267,528

List of Firms in the Acids, Alkalies and Salts Industry, 1955

Name and location of plant	Principal chemicals made
Nova Scotia: Dominion Iron & Steel, Ltd. Sydney	Sulphuric acid.
Quebec: Aluminum Company of Canada, Ltd. Arvida	Sulphuric acid; aluminum sulphate (alum); aluminum fluoride; refined fluor-spar; liquid chlorine; recovered cryolite; sodium hydroxide (caustic soda); aluminum chloride.
B.A. — Shawinigan Limited Montreal East	Acetone; phenol, isopropyl alcohol, cumene.
Canadian Industries Limited Shawinigan Falls	Perchlorethylene; trichlorethylene; chlorine (liquid); anhydrous hydrogen chloride; sodium hydroxide (caustic soda); hydrogen peroxide (liquid); chloroform, hydrogen gas; calcium hypochlorite.
Carbide Chemicals Company, Div. of Union Carbide Canada Ltd.	Ethyleneglycol, diethyleneglycol, anti-freeze.
Defence Industries Limited Shawinigan Falls	Hexachlorethane.
Durham Industries (Canada) Limited Montreal	Zinc oxide.
Electric Reduction Co. of Canada Buckingham	Phosphoric acid; acid calcium phosphate; phosphorus (amorphous and yellow); potassium chlorate; sodium acid pyrophosphate; sodium chloride; phosphates of sodium (mono-di-tri-tetra); weed-killing mixtures; ferrophosphorus; phosphorus sesquisulphide; rock wool; sodium tripolyphosphate.
Electric Reduction Co. of Canada Varennes	Yellow phosphorus, ferrophosphorus.
Monsanto (Canada) Limited Ville La Salle	Anhydrous caffeine; plasticizers; sodium benzoate; phenacetin; acetic acid; oil additives.
The Nichols Chemical Co. Ltd. Valleyfield	Sulphuric acid; aluminum sulphate; pyrites cinder.
Shawinigan Chemicals Ltd. Shawinigan Falls	Monochloroacetic acid; acetaldehyde; acetic anhydride; acetylene black; acetylene gas; acetic acid; butyl acetate; butyl alcohol; calcium carbide; dibutyl phthalate; ethyl acetate; pentasol acetate; vinyl acetate; vinyl acetate resins; cerium; paraldehyde; crotonic acid; polyvinyl alcohol; butyraldehyde; formvar resin.

List of Firms in the Acids, Alkalies and Salts Industry, 1955 – Continued

Name and location of plant	Principal chemicals made
Quebec — concluded:	
Shell Oil Company of Canada, Limited Montreal East	Acetone; isopropyl alcohol; isopropyl ether.
Standard Chemical Company Limited Beauharnois	Chlorine (liquid); sodium hydroxide (caustic soda); hydrogen gas.
St. Maurice Chemicals Limited Varennes	Formaldehyde; pentaerythritol.
Sturge (Canada) Limited Valleyfield	Citric acid.
Zinc Oxide Co. of Canada, Ltd. Montreal	Zinc oxide.
Ontario:	
Brunner Mond Canada, Ltd. Amherstburg	Calcium chloride; sodium carbonate (soda ash).
Cabot Carbon of Canada, Limited Sarnia	Carbon black.
Canadian Felling Zinc Oxide Ltd. Milton	Zinc oxide.
Canadian Industries Limited Hamilton	Hydrochloric (muriatic) acid; sulphuric acid; ammonium chloride; sodium sulphate (salt cake); sodium sulphite (anhydrous); sodium metabisulphite; sodium thiosulphite; zinc chloride (50% solution); soldering and galvanizing fluxes.
Canadian Industries Limited Cornwall	Hydrochloric (muriatic) acid; chlorine (liquid); sodium hydroxide (caustic soda); sodium hypochlorite; hydrogen gas.
Canadian Industries Limited Copper Cliff	Sulphuric acid; liquid sulphur dioxide.
Church & Dwight Ltd. Amherstburg	Sodium carbonate (sal soda).
Cornwall Chemicals Limited Cornwall	Carbon bisulphide; sodium hydrosulphide.
Dow Chemical of Canada Ltd. Sarnia	Ethylene glycol; diethylene glycol; triethylene glycol; ethylene dichloride; styrene; chlorine (liquid); sodium hydroxide (caustic soda); carbon tetrachloride; trichlorethylene; perchlorethylene; hydrochloric (muriatic) acid; ammonia, anhydrous, 100%; ethylene oxide; sodium carbonate.
Dupont Co. of Canada Ltd. Maitland	Adipic acid; hexamethylenediamine.
W.C. Hardesty Co. of Canada Ltd. New Toronto	Hydrogenated stearic acid; vegetable fatty acids; animal fatty acids; glycerine; oleic acid; castor fatty acids.
Howards & Sons (Canada) Ltd. Cornwall	Dimethylcyclohexyl phthalate; dicyclohexyl phthalate; methylcyclohexanol; cyclohexanol.
Kemball, Bishop, & Co. (Canada) Ltd. Cornwall	Citric acid.
Naugatuck Chemicals Division of Dominion Rubber Co. Ltd. Elmira	Aniline, rubber accelerators and specialties; D.D.T.; 2, 4-D; sodium sulphamethazine; nitrobenzol; ammonia, anhydrous, 100%; synthetic resin (alkyd polyester type); weed killer; hydrochloric acid; aniline oil.
National Silicates Ltd. New Toronto	Sodium silicate; sodium metasilicate.
The Nichols Chemical Co. Ltd. Sulphide	Hydrochloric (muriatic) acid; nitric acid; sulphuric acid; ammonia (aqua); pyrites cinder; aluminum chloride.

List of Firms in the Acids, Alkalies and Salts Industry, 1955 — Concluded

Name and location of plant	Principal chemicals made
Ontario — concluded:	
Noranda Mines Limited Port Robinson	Sulphur dioxide; iron sinter
North American Cyanamid Ltd. Niagara Falls	Calcium cyanamide; sodium cyanide; lime, unhydrated; calcium carbide
Nuodex Products of Canada, Ltd. Leaside	Lead naphthenate; cobalt naphthenate; manganese naphthenate; zinc naphthenate; copper naphthenate; calcium naphthenate; iron naphthenate; lead octoate; cobalt octoate; calcium octoate; cobalt tallate.
North American Cyanamid Ltd., (Welland works) Niagara Falls	Ammonia (anhydrous); dicyandiamide; guanidine nitrate; sulphuric acid; urea-formaldehyde adhesives; nitric acid; picrite; thiourea.
Petro-Chemsol Chemicals Ltd. Petrolia	Benzene; toluene; xylene; aromatic naphthas
Saskatchewan:	
Gunnar Mines Limited Uranium City	Sulphuric acid
Alberta:	
Canadian Chemical Company Limited Edmonton	Acetone; acetic anhydride; acetic acid; iso-butyl alcohol; propylene glycol; formaldehyde; methyl alcohol; pentaerythritol; n-propyl acetate; n-propyl alcohol; solvents.
Western Chemicals Limited Duvernay	Chlorine (liquid); sodium hydroxide (caustic soda); hydrochloric acid
Inland Chemicals Ltd. Fort Saskatchewan	Sulphuric acid.
British Columbia:	
Consolidated Mining and Smelting Co. of Canada, Ltd. Tadanac	Hydrofluosilicic acid; sulphuric acid; ammonia, aqua
The Nichols Chemical Co. Ltd. Barnet	Sulphuric acid; pyrites cinder
Northwest Territories:	
Eldorado Mining & Refining Ltd. Port Radium	Sulphuric acid

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