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### THE COAL TAR DISTILLATION INDUSTRY

#### 1955

Output from the Coal Tar Distillation Industry in Canada in 1955 was valued at \$11,892,812, a decline of 8.4 per cent from 1954. Factory shipments of creosote oils totalled 10,240,525 gallons at \$2,804,106 in 1955; refined tars amounted to 3,559,726 gallons at \$733,231 and pitch totalled 119,649 tons at \$4,679,193. Phenols, cresols, cresylic acid, xylenols, phthalic anhydride, coal tar paints, pitch coke, tar and asphalt cements, disinfectants and asphalt saturants were other principal products.

Eleven plants operated in 1955, there being 1 in Nova Scotia, 2 in Guebec, 5 in Ontario, 2 in Manitoba and 1 in British Columbia. These works afforded employment to 528 people who were paid \$2,080,557 in salaries and wages.

Materials for manufacturing in 1955 cost \$7,010,908, including 37,792,738 gallons of crude tars at \$5,297,909. In addition, an amount of \$611,810 was paid for fuel and electricity.

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 Coal Tar Distillation Industry, Significant Years, 1929-1955

Year	Establish- ments	Em- ployees	Earnings	Cost of fuel and electricity at plant	Cost at plant of materials used	Value added by manufacture <sup>1</sup>	Gross selling value of products 1
	No.	No.	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1929 1933 1937 1939 1943 1946 1949 1951	10 10 10 11 10 11 11 11	242 183 254 302 424 410 415 468 500	353,970 272,439 357,744 393,522 789,335 740,619 1,166,863 1,442,776 1,679,495	123,019 74,186 170,910 163,950 326,448 341,182 549,310 668,588 655,814	2,658,555 1,076,277 2,189,237 2,108,544 4,059,598 3,116,167 4,786,640 7,077,237 7,143,102	1,036,476 521,836 1,039,394 1,375,586 2,154,239 2,052,078 3,996,837 4,331,465 4,835,360	3,818,050 1,672,299 3,399,541 3,648,080 6,540,285 5,509,727 9,332,787 12,077,290 12,634,276
953 954 955	11 11 11	541 544 528	1,861,353 2,101,870 2,080,557	755,122 655,821 611,810	7,551,105 7,417,777 7,010,908	5.328,672 4,752,227 4,802,463	13,634,899 12,878,275 11,892,812

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. Inventories 1, 1955

	Raw materials and supplies	Goods in process	Finished goods of own manufacture	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Opening.	760,622	143,334	796,306	1,700,262
Closing	991,281	130,213	1,328,675	2,450,169

<sup>1. (</sup>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 Coal Tar Distillation Industry for the year under review are shown in the above table.

<sup>1.</sup> See footnote to Text.

TABLE 3. Products of the Coal Tar Distillation Industry, 1954 and 1955

	77-64	1 95	4	1955		
Product	Unit of measure	Quantity	Value of factory shipments	Quantity	Value of factory shipments	
			\$		\$	
Refined tar Pitch Creosote oils All other products 1	Imp. gal. ton Imp. gal.	4,641,583 135,912 10,959,458	825,996 4,756,895 2,978,245 4,317,139	3,559,726 119,649 10,240,525	733,231 4,679,193 2,804,106 3,676,282	
Total	-	-	12, 878, 275	-	11, 892, 812	

<sup>1.</sup> Includes coal tar paints, cements and disinfectants; also asphalt cements, asphalt saturant, pitch coke, phenol, cresol, orthocresol, metaparacresol, cresylic acid, phthalic anhydride, etc. Figures cannot be shown for these items as each was made by only one or two companies.

TABLE 4. Materials Used in the Coal Tar Distillation Industry, 1954 and 1955

Material	Unit	19	54	1955		
	of measure	Quantity	Cost at plant	Quantity	Cost at plant	
			\$		\$	
Crude coal tar	Imp. gal.	37,045,152 1,496,931 3,932,054	5,125,363 161,042 452,393 604,997 1,073,982	37,792,738 1,954,165 233,946	5,297,909 254,430 32,205 485,261 941,103	
Total	_	_	7,417,777	_	7,010,908	

TABLE 5. Production1 of Creosote Oils, Pitch and Refined Tars, 1946-1955

Year	Creosote and other oils	Pitch	Refined tar, tarvia, etc.
	Imp. gal.	Tons	Imp. gal.
946	10,234,997	85,018	5,234,788
947	9.622.811	77,367	3,557,356
948	11,044,351	87,614	2,443,658
949	12,556,889	92,291	3,542,98
950	11,728,014	113,510	4,324,80
951	11,726,520	112,141	4,377,22
952	11,608,114	131,742	3,976,88
953	13,750,179	132,737	4,742,96
954	10,959,458	135,912	4,641,58
955	10,240,525	119,649	3,559,72

<sup>1.</sup> Factory shipments since 1953.

TABLE 6. Crude Tar Used in Tar Distilleries, 1946-1955

Year	Imp, gal.	Year	Imp. gal.
1946 1947 1948 1949	34,889,946 32,174,985 32,975,053 32,428,300 41,324,989	1951 1952 1953 1954 1955	40,260,705 43,037,000 45,401,000 38,542,083 39,746,903

TABLE 7. Employees and Their Earnings in the Coal Tar Distillation Industry, 1951-1955

		Number	of empl	oyees	Earnings			
Year	Supervisory and office		Workmen		Total	Supervisory	Workmen	Total
	Male	Female	Male	Female		office		
						\$	\$	\$
1951	78	19	368	3	468	362, 681	1,080,095	1, 442, 776
1952	96	20	381	3	500	465,461	1,214,043	1,679,495
1953	107	29	401	4	541	528,636	1, 332, 717	1,861,353
1954	132	35	370	7	544	805,866	1,296,004	2, 101, 870
1955	136	30	356	6	528	807,533	1, 273, 024	2,080,557

TABLE 8. Production Workers, by Months, 1954 and 1955

Month		1954		1955				
141011911	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total		
	Number							
January	362	6	368	346	6	352		
February	361	6	367	352	6	358		
March	367	6	373	352	6	358		
April	356	7	363	351	6	357		
May	370	7	377	362	6	368		
June	380	7	387	370	6	376		
July	377	7	384	371	6	377		
August	391	7	398	363	6	369		
September	381	7	388	355	6	361		
October	371	7	378	356	6	362		
November	368	7	375	353	6	359		
December	361	7	368	350	6	356		
Average	370	7	377	356	6	362		

TABLE 9. Capital and Repair Expenditures in the Coal Tar Distillation Industry, 1951-1955

Year	Capital ex	penditures	Sub-total	Repair and maintenance expenditures			Total capital
	Construc-	Machinery and equipment		Construc- tion	Machinery and equipment	Sub-total	and repair expenditures
				\$'000			
1951	2	2	195	2	2	477	672
1952	296	1, 235	1,531	2	2	549	2,080
1953	124	593	717	2	2	694	1,411
1954	2	2	214	2	2	612	826
19551	2	2	220	2	2	580	800

Preliminary.
 Not available separately - see sub-total.

TABLE 10. Imports and Exports of Coal Tar, Pitch, Etc., 1954 and 1955

Item	Unit	195	4	1955		
	of measure	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	
			\$		\$	
(a) Imports						
Coal tar, crude	Imp. gal.	862,041	164, 581	1,815,522	290,781	
Coal pitch	1b.	107,067.800	1,629,933	149,587,300	2,413,038	
Carbolic or heavy oil	Imp. gal.	4, 995, 612	941, 934	3,410,261	669,418	
(b) Exports						
Coal tar and pitch	Imp. gal.	871, 281	97, 364	201	258	
Creosote oil	Imp. gal	-		429,127	92,691	
Coal tar oils, other	Imp. gal.	1, 322, 804	335, 467	1, 226, 392	414,665	

## List of Firms in the Coal Tar Distillation Industry, 1955

Name	Head office address	Location of plant
Dominion Tar & Chemical Company Limited	2240 Sun Life Building, Montreal, Quebec	Sydney, Nova Scotia Ville LaSalle, Quebec Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario Toronto, Ontario St. Boniface, Manitoba
The Barrett Company Limited	5551 St. Hubert Street, Montreal, Quebec	Montreal, Quebec Toronto, Ontario St. Boniface, Manitoba Vancouver, British Columbia
Currie Products Limited	87 Sheaffe Street, Hamilton, Ontario	Hamilton, Ontario
Northern Tar & Chemical Company Limited	P.O. Drawer 310, Port Arthur, Ontario	2nd Avenue, Port Arthur, Ontario



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