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THE PAINTS, PIGMENTS AND VARNISHES INDUSTRY IN CANADA, 1929.

According to the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa, a new production record was established in Canada during 1929 when the output of paints, pigments and varnishes was valued at \$29,802,231. This figure was 7 per cent over the previous high of \$27,368,046 in 1928 and exceeded the \$27,042,096 reported for 1920, the third best year, by 10 per cent.

Factories in operation numbered 69 of which 34 were located in Ontario, 18 in Quebec, 9 in British Columbia, 5 in Manitoba and 1 in each of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Alberta. These firms employed a working capital of \$26,471,976, afforded employment to a monthly average of 2,851 people who received \$4,260,019 in salaries and wages and by manufacturing processes they added \$15,144,764 to the value of the materials used which cost \$14,637,467.

An analysis of the returns showed that 3 firms purchased their lead in pig form, 41 plants bought dry basic carbonate of white lead and 25 firms purchased white lead ground in oil. Principal sales included \$9,798,759 worth of mixed paints by 59 firms, varnishes at \$3,815,628 by 40 firms, enamels at \$2,685,853 by 42 firms, nitro-cellulose lacquers at \$1,883,170 by 16 firms, while 3 firms sold basic carbonate of white lead in dry form for \$449,766. Among the other sales were paste paints at \$807,172, stains at \$755,230, red lead and litharge at \$651,583, shellac at \$642,379, pyroxylon thinners at \$504,918 and colours in japan or oil at \$472,275, etc.

During the calendar year 1929 the imports of paints, pigments and varnishes amounted to \$8,281,130 and included 19,053,472 pounds of zinc white and zinc oxide valued at \$1,300,668; 14,620,572 pounds of carbon black worth \$1,014,140; 19,408,436 pounds of lithopone at \$632,079; red lead and litharge at \$507,943, etc. Of the total imports over 71 per cent came from the United States, slightly under 15 per cent from Great Britain, 6 per cent from the Netherlands, 3 per cent from Germany and small quantities from Belgium and France. Exports during the period were valued at \$490,426 including mixed paints at \$402,824 and varnishes at \$36,164. Of the total exports, 26 per cent went to Great Britain, 14 per cent to Newfoundland, 12 per cent to China and 12 per cent to the United States.

Table 1.- PRINCIPAL STATISTICS OF THE PAINTS, PIGMENTS AND VARNISHES INDUSTRY IN CANADA, 1920-1929.

Year	No. of plants	Capital employed	Average number of employees	Salaries and wages	Cost of materials at works	Selling value of products at works	Value added by manufacturing
1920	62	\$21,460,451	3,355	\$3,093,191	\$12,613,995	\$22,234,268	\$9,620,273
1921	64	\$22,090,507	2,484	\$3,375,961	\$13,105,367	\$24,803,257	\$11,697,870
1922	63	\$23,162,090	2,563	\$5,552,586	\$12,934,639	\$25,229,454	\$12,294,815
1923	66	\$24,286,008	2,361	\$3,967,295	\$14,489,934	\$27,868,046	\$13,378,112
1924	69	\$26,471,976	2,851	\$4,260,019	\$14,637,467	\$29,802,231	\$15,144,764

Table 2.- PRINCIPAL STATISTICS OF THE PAINTS, PIGMENTS AND VARNISHES INDUSTRY IN CANADA, BY PROVINCES, 1928 and 1929.

Province	1928				1929			
	No. of plants	Average no. of employees	Salaries and wages	Selling value of products at works	No. of plants	Average no. of employees	Salaries and wages	Selling value of products at works
Quebec.....	16	1,165	\$1,508,273	\$9,949,333	18	1,106	\$1,522,376	\$11,079,023
Ontario.....	33	1,279	\$1,859,288	\$13,508,548	34	1,307	\$2,203,552	\$14,750,123
Manitoba.....	5	183	\$17,356	\$2,201,893	5	190	\$255,747	\$1,603,775
British Columbia	8	161	\$199,378	\$1,435,094	9	167	\$213,237	\$1,466,549
CANADA (x).....	68	2,881	\$3,967,295	\$27,868,046	69	2,851	\$4,260,019	\$29,802,231

(x) Includes also data for 1 plant in Nova Scotia, 1 in New Brunswick and 2 in Alberta for 1928; and 1 plant in Nova Scotia, 1 in New Brunswick and 1 in Alberta for 1929.

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**Table 3.- MATERIALS USED IN THE PAINTS, PIGMENTS AND VARNISHES INDUSTRY IN CANADA,
1938 and 1939.**

Item	Unit of measure	1 9 2 8		1 9 2 9		
		Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	
PURCHASED MATERIALS						
Pigments, colours and fillers -						
Pt. lead.....lb.	20,078,539	1,167,435	22,772,364	1,412,348		
Basic carbonate white lead, dry.....lb.	4,347,787	410,550	4,366,045	390,686		
Basic carbonate white lead, in oil.....lb.	2,529,083	272,312	2,676,930	280,472		
Basic sulphate white lead.....lb.	170,905	14,965	213,713	21,372		
Ros. lead and litharge.....lb.	1,684,379	153,523	1,962,878	161,181		
Zinc oxide, pure.....lb.	3,238,965	267,426	3,245,582	270,994		
Leaded zinc oxide and zinc leads.....lb.	1,635,154	123,669	2,636,787	177,050		
Lithophane.....lb.	9,971,147	516,240	11,321,589	584,228		
Nitrocellulose.....lb.	700,670	183,774	854,488	203,115		
Whiting or chalk.....lb.	11,907,305	120,529	11,360,881	127,869		
Iron oxide pigments.....lb.	2,367,172	103,274	3,283,098	112,120		
Ochres, siennas and umbers.....lb.	1,780,261	70,355	1,719,766	69,058		
Lampblack and other carbon blacks.....lb.	428,992	64,350	354,662	79,451		
All other pigments and dry colours -	...	687,717	...	751,068		
Driers -						
Resins.....lb.	5,956,841	356,508	6,513,413	392,387		
Gums.....lb.	2,617,554	492,702	2,593,450	455,337		
All other driers.....lb.	...	133,286	...	131,858		
Oils and solvents -						
Linseed oil, raw.....gal.	1,847,492	1,253,256	1,454,841	1,270,862		
Linseed oil, boiled.....gal.	554,752	487,858	491,693	486,194		
China wood oil.....gal.	1,067,425	576,925	1,327,332	652,409		
Turpentine.....gal.	625,755	362,675	557,269	362,128		
Petroleum distillate.....gal.	1,895,492	407,294	2,081,123	416,545		
Acetic acid.....lb.	378,182	35,806	461,646	44,603		
Butyl acetate.....gal.	134,922	270,317	161,421	237,150		
Ethyl acetate.....gal.	126,058	148,427	182,313	220,363		
Coal tar, naphtha and benzol.....gal.	497,917	231,607	575,444	271,987		
Other oils and solvents.....lb.	...	424,458	...	545,043		
Cans, cases, barrels, labels, etc.....lb.	...	1,258,791	...	1,332,284		
All other materials.....lb.	...	831,349	...	954,668		
TOTAL"	...	11,587,295	...	12,414,829		
INTERMEDIATES USED AS MATERIALS						
Basic carbonate white lead, dry.....lb.	4,971,654	570,015	5,421,416	355,150		
Basic carbonate white lead, in oil.....lb.	188,937	18,893	504,463	50,850		
Other pigments and dry colours -	...	174,920	...	81,824		
Driers.....	...	77,661	...	91,778		
Linseed oil, boiled.....gal.	54,455	46,568	62,750	65,268		
Stand, blown or enamel oil.....gal.	188,298	188,235	113,443	131,667		
Oil varnishes.....gal.	681,845	1,527,269	687,839	791,194		
Other intermediates....."	...	899,072	...	674,907		
TOTAL"	...	5,102,639	...	2,242,638		
TOTAL MATERIALS.....\$	...	14,489,934	...	14,657,467	

Table 4.- PRODUCTION OF THE PAINTS, PIGMENTS AND VARNISHES INDUSTRY IN CANADA, 1928 and 1929.

Products	Unit of measure	1928		1929	
		Quantity	Selling value at works \$	Quantity	Selling value at works \$
PRODUCTS MADE FOR SALE					
Colours, dry.....	lb.	1,670,082	263,849	1,554,757	194,056
Colours, in oil and japan.....	-	...	489,368	...	472,275
Driers, linoleate.....	gal.	7,068	8,332	12,352	19,394
Driers, rosinate.....	gal.	110,291	98,238	113,637	93,611
Enamels.....	gal.	766,453	1,966,903	902,720	2,685,853
Fillers, putty or other.....	lb.	6,701,751	283,506	6,849,203	324,810
Iron oxide pigments.....	lb.	136,362	12,101	705,592	69,257
Malsomine.....	lb.	3,973,576	262,888	3,992,482	252,525
Lacquers, japan.....	gal.	110,588	115,571	162,598	157,055
Lacquers, nitrocellulose.....	gal.	488,150	1,515,306	659,860	1,883,170
Lead, white, basic carbonate, dry.....	lb.	4,144,014	360,326	5,214,267	449,766
Lead, white, basic carbonate, in oil.....	lb.	14,614,489	1,550,073	15,772,532	1,646,345
Lead, red and litharge.....	lb.	7,085,236	565,700	8,302,253	651,583
Oil, boiled linseed.....	gal.	110,671	105,513	271,021	245,748
Oils, stand, blown or enamel.....	gal.	9,930	21,345	11,694	12,705
Paints, asphaltic and tar.....	gal.	195,764	165,905	550,602	248,090
Paints, cold water.....	lb.	947,398	71,915	1,089,205	80,810
Paints, mixed.....	gal.	3,482,665	9,053,579	4,034,701	9,798,759
Paints, paste.....	lb.	8,543,947	878,126	7,870,996	867,172
Removers, paint and varnish.....	gal.	55,796	116,926	60,701	109,265
Shellac.....	gal.	193,421	589,662	216,470	642,379
Size.....	lb.	562,855	13,941	313,365	9,718
Stains.....	gal.	454,702	755,139	431,921	755,230
Thinner, pyromlyin.....	gal.	424,704	694,224	417,054	584,918
Varnishes, polished, floor.....	lb.	682,737	330,037	753,530	346,237
Varnishes, oil.....	gal.	1,968,709	3,665,944	2,078,004	3,813,828
All other products (x).....	-	...	768,516	...	688,906
TOTAL	-	...	24,703,733	...	27,103,465
INTERMEDIATE PRODUCTS MADE FOR USE					
Colours, dry.....	lb.	914,850	172,400	769,278	80,106
Colours, in oil and japan.....	-	...	14,802	...	15,315
Driers, linoleate.....	gal.	19,904	37,877	28,969	56,032
Driers, rosinate.....	gal.	36,971	25,414	127,618	30,244
Enamels.....	gal.	1,936	8,030	24,467	45,721
Lacquers, japan.....	gal.	25,294	20,685	20,491	17,352
Lacquers, nitrocellulose.....	gal.	139,782	459,168	340,769	603,084
Lead, white, basic carbonate, dry.....	lb.	4,625,346	397,170	5,421,416	457,460
Lead, white, basic carbonate, in oil.....	lb.	535,225	55,191	504,463	50,350
Oil, boiled linseed.....	gal.	54,435	46,565	62,755	65,268
Oil, stand, blown or enamel.....	gal.	138,962	139,427	115,393	135,184
Paints, mixed, ready for use.....	gal.	12,661	17,918	11,504	10,145
Paints, paste.....	lb.	24,824	1,244	28,125	999
Shellac.....	gal.	1,411	5,561	1,961	3,818
Thinner, pyromlyin.....	gal.	151,556	383,419	6,635	6,453
Varnishes, oil.....	gal.	661,845	1,327,269	854,535	1,090,693
All other intermediates (z).....	-	...	24,173	...	31,122
TOTAL	-	...	3,164,313	...	2,698,766
TOTAL PRODUCTS	-	...	27,368,046	...	29,802,231

(x) Includes zinc, core oil, varnished cambric, roofing cement, etc.

(z) Includes paint oil and emulsions, prepared resins, etc.

Table 5.- IMPORTS INTO CANADA FOR CONSUMPTION OF PAINTS, PIGMENTS AND VARNISHES, 1929.

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Item	Unit of Great measure	From Great Britain	From United States	From Other Countries	TOTAL
<u>Chemical Pigments, Lead</u>					
Litharge.....	cwt.	32,357	28,756	4,829	55,923
	\$	162,108	227,979	33,174	423,261
Lead, red, dry, and orange mineral.....	lb.	1,348,787	243,694	299,391	1,791,872
	\$	91,547	22,981	30,187	134,685
Lead, white, dry.....	lb.	41,269	26,516	...	67,585
	\$	3,963	2,334	...	6,297
Lead, white, ground in oil.....	lb.	233,795	2,298	...	236,095
	\$	19,235	305	...	19,550
<u>Other Chemical Pigments</u>					
Black, carbon.....	lb.	5,090	14,489,011	126,471	14,620,572
	\$	81	1,002,636	11,423	1,014,140
Blacks, lamp, bone and ivory.....	lb.	466,250	855,904	122,224	1,444,378
	\$	21,503	82,368	7,595	111,468
Blanc fixe.....	lb.	713,308	893,083	184,898	1,891,289
	\$	14,735	33,097	4,641	52,473
Brocade and bronze powders.....	lb.	197	52,406	91,022	143,625
	\$	148	34,674	33,333	68,155
Lithophane.....	lb.	2,406,064	7,900,753	9,101,639	19,408,436
	\$	95,920	379,537	376,622	852,079
Oxide of cobalt, tin and copper, n.o.p..	lb.	118,407	167,771	2,516	283,694
	\$	47,826	76,469	453	124,748
Oxides, fire proofs, rough stuff,					
Fillers and colours, dry, n.o.p.....	lb.	1,523,458	5,430,243	412,167	7,365,868
	\$	154,653	606,569	20,432	790,654
Paris, green, dry.....	lb.	16,260	50,880	...	67,140
	\$	3,555	9,087	...	12,642
Satin white.....	lb.	...	2,505,122	...	2,505,122
	\$	...	58,315	...	58,315
Ultramarine blue, dry or in pulp.....	lb.	252,038	144,573	112,969	509,580
	\$	30,273	21,180	15,258	66,711
Zinc white, zinc oxide.....	lb.	308,295	15,611,440	3,132,737	19,052,472
	\$	17,926	1,029,996	200,746	1,248,668
<u>Mineral Earth Pigments</u>					
Ochres, ochrey earths, siennas and umbera.....	lb.	311,876	5,181,577	1,526,795	6,990,243
	\$	8,303	85,105	28,185	121,698
Putty.....	\$	62,475	19,146	9,289	90,910
Gold liquid paint.....	\$	108	11,160	2,857	14,125
Liquid fillers, anti-corrosive and anti- fouling paints, and ground in liquid paints, n.o.p.....	gal.	154,351	331,177	9,908	495,456
	\$	186,394	430,266	19,075	635,735
Paints and colours, ground in spirits, and all spirit varnishes and lacquers.....	gal.	862	32,905	161	33,928
	\$	2,315	93,623	731	96,669
Varnish, lacquers, japans, japan dryers, liquid dryers, and oil finish, n.o.p..	gal.	27,302	116,390	677	144,369
	\$	43,231	214,804	1,730	259,765
TOTAL PAINTS, PIGMENTS AND VARNISHES..	\$	966,732	4,434,993	819,435	6,221,160

Table C.- IMPORTS OF PAINTS, PIGMENTS AND VARNISHES FROM CANADA, 1929.

Item	Unit of measure	To	To	To	TOTAL
		Great Britain	United States	Other Countries	
Mineral pigments, iron oxides, ochres, etc.....	cwt. \$	136 448	23,133 42,106	... ...	22,269 42,554
White lead, dry or in oil.....	cwt. \$	... ...	1 18	524 4,986	525 5,004
Paints, n.e.o.p.....	\$	123,426	17,585	261,813	402,824
Putty.....	cwt. \$	80 1,120	... ...	855 2,760	935 3,880
Varnish.....	gal. \$	859 2,799	163 306	21,102 33,059	22,124 36,164
TOTAL.....	\$	127,793	60,015	302,618	490,426

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