

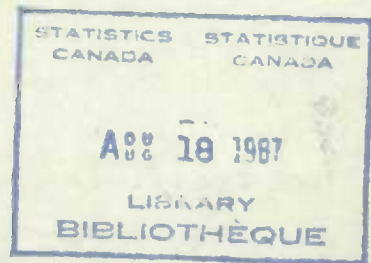
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THE POLISHES AND DRESSINGS INDUSTRY

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The Polishes and Dressings Industry includes only the factories which were occupied chiefly in the manufacture of polishes, floor wax and other similar preparations. In 1949 there were 57 establishments in this category, located by provinces as follows: 36 in Ontario, 18 in Quebec and 3 in British Columbia.

Production from these establishments was valued at \$11,865,149 in 1949 compared with \$10,080,458 in 1948. About 72 per cent of the total came from plants in Ontario and 28 per cent from establishments in Quebec.

Output of polishes and floor wax during 1949, including small amounts from other industries, was as follows; paste floor wax, 7,695,107 pounds at \$2,498,256; liquid floor wax and polish, 1,739,688 gallons at \$4,790,192; shoe polishes and dressings at \$1,020,394; furniture polishes at \$425,568; stove polishes at \$66,833; brass polishes at \$61,190; silver polishes at \$127,365; auto polishes at \$364,409, and miscellaneous polishes at \$336,420. The total value of all polishes, including polishing wax, was \$9,690,627 in 1949 compared with \$8,543,349 in 1948.

TABLE 1. Principal Statistics of the Polishes and Dressings Industry, 1945-1949

Year	Number of plants	Average number of employees	Salaries and wages	Cost of fuel and electricity at works	Cost of materials at works	Gross selling value of products at works
			\$	\$	\$	\$
1945.....	51	739	1,032,071	37,039	4,219,413	8,091,054
1946.....	48	726	1,096,194	39,851	5,258,115	9,558,330
1947.....	55	743	1,280,870	54,324	4,786,897	8,736,037
1948.....	53	723	1,405,214	68,841	5,182,670	10,080,458
1949.....	57	797	1,655,980	77,603	5,918,662	11,865,149
Per cent change 1949 from 1948.....	—	+10.2	+17.8	+12.7	+14.2	+17.7

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

TABLE 2. Principal Statistics, by Provinces, 1948 and 1949

Province	Number of plants	Average number of employees	Salaries and wages	Cost of fuel and electricity at works	Cost of materials at works	Gross selling value of products at works
			\$	\$	\$	\$
1948						
Quebec	21	} 485	434,990	28,761	1,785,563	2,911,595
Ontario	30		970,224	40,080	3,397,107	7,168,863
British Columbia.....	2		68,841	5,182,670	10,080,458	
Canada.....	53	723	1,405,214	68,841	5,182,670	10,080,458
1949						
Quebec	18	256	489,314	31,911	2,080,386	3,286,019
Ontario	36	536	1,162,595	45,469	3,834,744	8,568,497
British Columbia.....	3	5	4,071	223	3,532	10,633
Canada.....	57	797	1,655,980	77,603	5,918,662	11,865,149

TABLE 3. Products Made in the Polishes and Dressings Industry, 1948 and 1949¹

Product	Unit of measure	1948		1949	
		Quantity	Selling value at works	Quantity	Selling value at works
			\$		\$
Polishes:					
Auto, including wax.....		—	135,728	—	252,239
Brass.....		—	50,117	—	61,190
Floor wax:					
Paste.....	lb.	7,381,585	2,156,058	7,326,240	2,401,824
Liquid.....	Imp. gal.	133,501	296,039	240,986	619,962
Self-polishing.....	Imp. gal.	1,326,930	3,616,212	1,265,235	3,566,736
Furniture:					
Cream.....		—	130,076	—	152,944
Oil.....		—	163,814	—	190,286
Harness.....		—	5,501	—	3,334
Silver:					
Paste.....		—	17,414	—	18,527
Liquid or cream.....		—	73,129	—	61,266
Shoe:					
Paste.....		—	454,787	—	544,183
Liquid or cream.....		—	334,137	—	476,211
Stove.....		—	54,713	—	65,273
Leather dressings, dyes and finishes (except shoe polish).....		—	835,291	—	903,398
All other products ²		—	1,757,442	—	2,547,776
Total.....		—	10,080,458	—	11,865,149

1. Data in this table are for the Polishes and Dressings Industry, which includes only the concerns that make polishes as their major products. The figures for the individual items do not necessarily represent the total Canadian output of these articles as they may have been produced also as minor products of concerns which have been classified to other industrial groups. For the total Canadian production see Table 5.

2. Includes data for goods made by less than 3 firms in this industry, such as wax compounds, floor mops, paints, insecticides, washing blue, etc.

TABLE 4. Materials Used in the Polishes and Dressings Industry, 1948 and 1949

Material	Unit of measure	1948		1949	
		Quantity	Cost at works	Quantity	Cost at works
			\$		\$
Alcohol, ethyl.....	Imp. gal.	40,116	46,133	35,160	32,331
Barytes.....	lb.	23,000	1,276	1,300	46
Borax.....	lb.	156,843	6,527	432,262	25,876
Bicarbonate of soda.....	lb.	265,034	6,627	366,471	9,345
Carbon tetrachloride.....	lb.	35,833	3,496	40,727	3,885
Carbon black.....	lb.	30,435	5,016	28,251	4,988
Other dyes and colours.....	lb.	235,208	92,370	285,755	110,597
Chalk.....	lb.	5,336	210	4,560	220
Essential oils.....		—	41,599	—	42,111
Graphite.....	lb.	47,937	3,083	53,582	3,663
Glycerine.....	lb.	21,834	7,992	14,811	5,582
Kaolin or china clay.....	lb.	132,183	6,079	120,275	5,993

TABLE 4. Materials Used in the Polishes and Dressings Industry, 1948 and 1949 - Concluded

Material	Unit of measure	1948		1949	
		Quantity	Cost of works	Quantity	Cost at works
			\$		\$
Linseed oil.....	Imp. gal.	17,587	41,897	4,092	3,952
Lithopone.....	lb.	55,290	4,309	90,986	6,490
Oleic acid.....	lb.	Not available separately		194,196	38,254
Resins and gums, natural:					
Copal.....	lb.	46,559	6,025	64,669	7,128
Damar.....	lb.	1,004	1,054	1,100	977
Other.....	lb.	279,595	74,821	345,953	137,990
Shellac:					
Bleached.....	lb.	239,335	187,371	341,665	276,368
Orange.....	lb.	41,849	27,253	69,432	46,252
Other grades.....	lb.	217,026	169,821	220,378	174,055
Solvents (Benzol, kerosene, etc.).....	Imp. gal.	1,063,797	226,391	1,104,497	242,801
Talc, ground.....	lb.	28,747	504	34,926	680
Titanium oxide.....	lb.	308,655	43,153	247,499	47,508
Trisodium phosphate.....	lb.	42,184	2,505	40,352	2,518
Turpentine.....	Imp. gal.	56,740	53,601	67,162	48,273
Wax:					
Beeswax.....	lb.	161,799	93,337	184,805	93,727
Candelilla.....	lb.	130,763	91,228	112,790	74,620
Carnauba.....	lb.	1,192,766	1,151,131	1,457,244	1,274,566
Paraffin.....	lb.	1,772,278	199,940	1,420,003	146,158
Ouricuri.....	lb.	110,280	81,756	68,493	51,957
Synthetic.....	lb.	26,332	16,860	28,716	16,138
Other waxes.....	lb.	791,386	353,658	819,432	341,431
Zinc oxide.....	lb.	25,838	3,149	14,681	2,147
Containers and packing material.....		—	1,576,104	—	1,929,893
All other materials.....		—	556,394	—	705,142
Total.....		—	5,182,670	—	5,918,662

TABLE 5. Total Production of Polishes, 1947-1949

Product		1947	1948	1949
Floor wax - paste.....	lb.	7,382,666	7,799,068	7,695,107
	\$	2,062,252	2,293,603	2,498,256
Floor wax and polish, liquid.....	Imp. gal.	1,228,267	1,728,005	1,739,688
	\$	3,175,202	4,540,167	4,790,192
Shoe polishes and dressings.....	\$	810,245	791,623	1,020,394
Furniture polish.....	\$	363,535	403,187	425,568
Stove polishes.....	\$	61,232	55,683	66,833
Brass polishes.....	\$	47,575	50,642	61,190
Silver polishes.....	\$	104,885	125,380	127,365
Auto polishes, including wax.....	\$	147,719	226,055	364,409
Polishes, kind not specified.....	\$	93,412	57,009	336,420
Total.....	\$	6,866,057	8,543,349	9,690,627

Note. Figures in this table represent the total production in Canada from all industrial groups.

TABLE 6. Imports and Exports of Polishes, 1947-1949

	1947	1948	1949
	(Dollars)		
(a) IMPORTS			
Shoe blacking; shoemaker's ink; shoe harness and leather dressing:			
From:			
United Kingdom	47,016	71,848	97,378
United States	223,345	77,908	138,221
Other countries.....	384	—	—
Total Imports	270,745	149,756	235,599
Polish or composition, knife or other not elsewhere specified:			
From:			
United Kingdom	29,747	37,137	51,489
United States	414,038	106,324	180,439
Other countries.....	2,297	570	3,248
Total Imports	446,082	144,031	235,176
(b) EXPORTS			
Polishes, boot and shoe	45,119	9,389	6,074
Polishes, n.o.p.....	75,319	88,291	95,210
Total Exports.....	120,438	97,680	101,284

TABLE 7. Employees and Their Earnings in the Polishes and Dressings Industry, 1948 and 1949

	1948	1949
Office and Supervisory employees:		
Male..... No.	168	187
Female..... No.	145	149
Total..... No.	313	336
Production Workers:		
Male..... No.	236	262
Female..... No.	174	199
Total..... No.	410	461
Total Employees..... No.	723	797
Earnings:		
Office and supervisory..... \$	746,477	887,144
Production workers..... \$	658,737	768,836
Total earnings..... \$	1,405,214	1,655,980

List of Firms in the Polishes and Dressings Industry, 1949

Name of firm	Address
QUEBEC:	
Army, Navy Mfg. Products Reg'd.....	910A St. Georges St., Montreal
B.B. Chemical Co. of Canada, Limited.....	2610 Bennett Ave., Montreal
Beaver Products Co., Ltd.....	Ville St. Laurent
Capital Products Co.....	38 Mountain Hill, Quebec
Coleman Engineering Supply Co.....	c/o Darling and Brady, 1971 Richardson St., Montreal
Davies Irwin, Limited.....	121 Bates Road, Town of Mount Royal
Doherty, James D., Mfg. Co.....	5814 Sherbrooke St. W., Montreal
Little Wonder Reg'd.....	1190 William St., Montreal
McFarlane, John, and Son, Ltd.....	3000 Verdun Ave., Verdun
Montreal Sanitary Products Mfg. Co.....	317 Place Christin, Montreal
Morse Chemical Limited.....	Chambly Canton
Peerless Blacking Co., Limited.....	531 St. Louis St., Lachine
Rose Products Reg'd.....	480 St. Vallier St., Quebec
Royal Ink & Blacking Co.....	17 Ontario St., Montreal
Stahl Finish Co. (Canada) Ltd.....	9500 St. Lawrence Blvd., Montreal
Success Wax Ltd.....	518 Vallier St., Quebec
Sultana Ltd.....	1000 Amherst St., Montreal
Warner Products Co. Reg'd.....	50 Lois St., Hull
ONTARIO:	
Andrews Superior Polish Co.....	41½ Colbourne St., Brantford
Bowden Bros.....	115 Shaftesbury Ave., Toronto
Boyle Midway (Canada) Limited.....	New Toronto
Canada Wax & Chemical Co.....	120 Glen Scarlett Rd., Toronto
C. & B. Products Company.....	rear 4 Bartlett Ave., Toronto
Campbell Polish & Wax Co. (Ontario) Ltd.....	Perth
Canadian Specialties Limited.....	733 King St. E., Hamilton
Capo Polishes Ltd.....	58 Catharine St. N., Hamilton
Clark's Products.....	84 Monarch Pk. Ave., Toronto
Commercial Oil Co. Ltd.....	420 Jackson St., Hamilton
Cross Polishes.....	2385 Dundas St., Toronto
Dodd Manufacturing Co.....	505 Keele St., Toronto
Ennis Wonder Polish Co.....	460 Euclid Ave., Toronto
Everett & Barron of Canada, Ltd.....	914 Dufferin St., Toronto
Hawes, Edward, & Co., Ltd.....	431 Dundas St. E., Toronto
Home Product Co. The.....	14 Napier South, Dundas
"It" Co., Limited.....	35 Britain St., Toronto
Johnson, S. C., & Son, Limited.....	Webster St., Brantford
Kelner and Co. (Canada) Limited.....	10 Trent Ave., Toronto
Lea Manufacturing Co. of Canada, Ltd.....	370 Victoria St., Toronto
Liquid Glaze of Canada, Ltd.....	457 Sandwich St. East, Windsor
Liquid Veneer Corporation.....	214 Courtwright St., Fort Erie N.
MacEachern, Gordon A.....	15 Elm St., Toronto
McAleer Mfg. Co. Ltd.....	Towns Road, Station N., New Toronto
Manford Mfg. Co.....	60½ Adelaide St. East, Toronto
Nonsuch Limited.....	257 Logan Ave., Toronto
O-Cedar of Canada Limited.....	365 Sorauen Ave., Toronto
Red Seal Oil & Polish Co.....	35 Galt Ave., Toronto
Service Laboratories Ltd.....	424 Wellington St. W., Toronto
Simard, H., & Co.....	1173 Hamilton St., Preston
Solient Mfg. Co.....	184 Centre St., Oshawa
Standard Wax Co.....	80 Ossington Ave., Toronto
Taylor Specialty Co.....	1077 Bathurst St., Toronto
Tilleys Limited.....	430 College St., Toronto
2 in 1 Polishes, Ltd. (The Best Foods (Canadian) Limited)....	75 Hughson St. N., Hamilton
Tumbler, J.A., Laboratories Ltd.....	545 Yonge St., Toronto
BRITISH COLUMBIA:	
Delite Polish Company.....	5515 Victoria Drive, Vancouver
Dixie E. Val Tilton.....	1141 Kingsway, Vancouver
Holme Manufacturing Co.....	Stormont Rd., New Westminster

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