

Subsection 2.—The Manufactures of Quebec

Quebec contributes about 30 p.c. of the total value of manufactured products of Canada. Quebec's forests, water power, minerals, and agricultural lands, and also its geographic position astride the St. Lawrence estuary permitting sea-going vessels to reach its main centres of population, are among the assets that have tended to develop manufacturing industries. In addition, Quebec has a stable and industrious population, which is an important factor in industries such as textiles, clothing, leather boots and shoes, etc., where a large labour force is required. The production of pulp and paper occupies the premier position, accounting for about 11 p.c. of the gross value of Quebec manufactures and about 49 p.c. of the Canadian total for this industry. Other industries in which Quebec predominates are: tobacco, cigars and cigarettes with 91 p.c. of the Canadian total; cotton yarn and cloth 70 p.c.; synthetic textiles and silk 67 p.c.; women's factory clothing 67 p.c.; leather boots and shoes 62 p.c.; men's factory clothing 59 p.c.; fur goods 49 p.c.; railway rolling-stock 48 p.c.; and hosiery and knitted goods 42 p.c. Quebec is an outstanding manufacturing province by reason of her large individual industries and not so much on account of a great diversification of manufacturing activity.

4.—Statistics of the Leading Industries of the Province of Quebec, 1947

NOTE.—Sugar refining is also one of the leading industries but statistics cannot be published because there are fewer than three establishments.

| Industry | Estab-lish-ments | Em-ployees | Salaries and Wages | Cost of Materials | Net Value of Products | Gross Value of Products |
|---|------------------|------------|--------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| | No. | No. | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| 1 Pulp and paper..... | 50 | 23,675 | 60,623,167 | 145,897,450 | 171,518,364 | 346,119,699 |
| 2 Non-ferrous metal smelting and refining..... | 7 | 6,203 | 13,756,423 | 87,608,089 | 42,319,706 | 145,131,521 |
| 3 Clothing, women's factory..... | 742 | 20,300 | 31,740,627 | 62,218,864 | 60,697,014 | 123,177,572 |
| 4 Cotton yarn and cloth..... | 17 | 16,388 | 24,050,091 | 73,288,526 | 35,809,571 | 111,477,647 |
| 5 Clothing, men's factory..... | 360 | 16,180 | 24,430,615 | 57,860,461 | 50,096,012 | 108,220,280 |
| 6 Electrical apparatus and supplies..... | 64 | 16,285 | 31,556,880 | 40,308,265 | 51,657,107 | 92,803,880 |
| 7 Slaughtering and meat packing..... | 36 | 3,364 | 6,607,374 | 73,237,752 | 11,523,512 | 85,423,378 |
| 8 Tobacco, cigars and cigarettes..... | 50 | 8,332 | 12,564,679 | 44,680,956 | 39,236,061 | 84,190,188 |
| 9 Butter and cheese..... | 894 | 4,714 | 6,427,061 | 69,108,107 | 12,412,740 | 82,931,146 |
| 10 Petroleum products..... | 6 | 1,717 | 3,974,857 | 58,365,300 | 16,706,155 | 78,477,072 |
| 11 Railway rolling-stock..... | 10 | 13,339 | 28,979,017 | 33,652,629 | 40,527,963 | 76,053,620 |
| 12 Sawmills..... | 2,051 | 11,613 | 13,570,091 | 46,089,961 | 27,326,597 | 73,898,677 |
| 13 Boots and shoes, leather..... | 191 | 13,998 | 18,588,133 | 36,461,093 | 28,201,814 | 64,956,419 |
| 14 Synthetic textiles and silk..... | 30 | 10,388 | 16,644,510 | 23,122,953 | 32,371,580 | 56,965,970 |
| 15 Hosiery and knitted goods..... | 109 | 10,835 | 14,701,209 | 23,908,881 | 28,700,149 | 53,154,805 |
| 16 Machinery..... | 56 | 9,608 | 19,385,205 | 20,330,148 | 31,913,657 | 53,073,397 |
| 17 Shipbuilding and repairs..... | 10 | 9,321 | 20,904,188 | 24,262,136 | 24,386,091 | 49,338,677 |
| 18 Bread and other bakery products..... | 1,075 | 8,544 | 12,314,395 | 21,807,030 | 20,812,338 | 44,122,883 |
| 19 Furniture..... | 345 | 8,507 | 13,625,584 | 21,155,999 | 22,332,498 | 44,002,973 |
| 20 Feeds, stock and poultry..... | 74 | 1,043 | 1,847,265 | 31,409,683 | 5,745,959 | 37,348,221 |
| 21 Aircraft..... | 5 | 6,774 | 15,320,174 | 13,287,604 | 21,720,018 | 35,500,827 |
| 22 Foods, miscellaneous..... | 77 | 1,548 | 2,625,269 | 23,648,898 | 9,996,911 | 33,901,674 |
| 23 Sheet metal products..... | 58 | 5,184 | 9,411,427 | 17,495,351 | 15,693,901 | 33,612,393 |
| 24 Rubber goods, including rubber footwear..... | 19 | 6,639 | 10,815,334 | 14,057,340 | 18,824,461 | 33,408,129 |
| 25 Breweries..... | 8 | 3,466 | 7,829,919 | 8,099,214 | 23,284,235 | 32,020,802 |
| 26 Medicinal and pharmaceutical preparations..... | 90 | 3,437 | 6,397,533 | 12,222,854 | 18,832,885 | 31,381,842 |
| 27 Printing and publishing..... | 73 | 5,556 | 11,026,994 | 8,540,485 | 21,007,930 | 29,800,235 |
| 28 Brass and copper products..... | 39 | 3,235 | 6,258,089 | 19,652,234 | 8,916,355 | 29,137,399 |