

4.—Statistics of the Leading Industries of Quebec 1955—concluded

Industry	Estab- lish- ments	Em- ployees	Earnings	Cost at Plant of Materials Used	Value Added by Manufacture	Selling Value of Factory Shipments
	No.	No.	\$	\$	\$	\$
28 Shipbuilding	11	7,291	23,961,643	22,390,193	35,512,476	58,502,238
29 Sash, door and planing mills	784	5,844	12,907,211	32,959,399	20,899,089	54,814,897
30 Printing and bookbinding	615	7,241	21,800,953	18,743,257	35,050,482	54,397,997
31 Breweries	4	2,428	10,017,588	15,401,426	37,035,911	53,669,936
32 Primary iron and steel	15	3,689	14,368,957	16,693,689	34,025,151	53,577,923
33 Medicinal and pharmaceutical pre- parations	93	3,691	11,921,189	16,410,747	35,987,320	52,641,448
34 Bridge and structural steel work	13	3,964	15,116,195	25,711,349	24,417,119	50,618,169
35 Telecommunication equipment	27	5,267	19,433,527	27,227,779	24,051,322	50,412,887
36 Distilled liquors	8	2,331	8,062,568	17,301,926	31,155,162	47,865,949
37 Carbonated beverages	185	2,761	7,624,976	13,653,179	32,362,278	47,031,620
38 Miscellaneous paper goods, n.e.s.	73	2,613	7,292,055	24,464,899	18,848,523	43,703,612
39 Clothing, children's factory	127	5,485	10,242,119	22,468,613	16,845,793	39,606,109
40 Wire and wire goods	33	2,843	10,566,526	22,219,163	16,734,243	39,580,957
Totals, Leading Industries¹	7,750	298,373	918,606,729	2,452,128,119	1,948,796,007	4,523,018,894
Totals, All Industries	12,194	429,575	1,271,077,953	3,152,541,331	2,622,333,056	5,922,367,074
Percentage of leading industries to all industries	63.56	69.46	72.27	77.78	74.31	76.37

¹ Sugar refining is also a leading industry but statistics are confidential.

Subsection 3.—The Manufactures of Ontario

Ontario, one of the world's major industrial areas, accounts for approximately half of Canada's manufacturing production. Here, the proximity of raw materials, cheap hydro-electric power, and a strategic location in relation to export markets, not only on this Continent but overseas, have been the decisive factors of development. Most of the manufactures of the Province and most of its population are located in the southern area. This area has the inestimable advantage of bordering on the St. Lawrence-Great Lakes waterway system, which gives access westward to the heart of the Continent and eastward to the shipping routes of the world, and which is also the source of most of Ontario's hydro-electricity. Many new industrial areas are being created as new industries and branch plants of established industries are increasingly being located in the smaller towns.

Despite the great industrial progress made by other provinces, Ontario continues to maintain its predominance and in 1955 produced 49 p.c. of the nation's manufactured goods. Steel ingot capacity is increasing. Huge investments have gone into the construction of plants in Sarnia for a whole group of new products based on Alberta oil flowing through the Edmonton-Sarnia pipeline. Other significant developments are taking place in synthetic rubber, synthetic textiles, and industrial and consumer chemicals. Ontario has continued to gain in such traditional lines as motor vehicles, industrial and farm machinery, and the manufacture of household equipment, business and office machinery, and electrical apparatus and supplies. Numerous plants making aircraft components and building materials have favoured the Toronto area, and chemical and synthetic textile plants have been rising in the vicinity of Sarnia and along the lower reaches of the St. Lawrence River between Cornwall and Kingston.

Ontario also has the greatest diversification of manufacturing production of any province. Certain industries, such as the manufacture of motor vehicles, motor vehicle parts, heavy electrical machinery, agricultural implements, machine tools, starch and glucose, bicycles, and the processing of raw tobacco are carried on practically in this Province alone. Of the forty leading industries in Canada in 1955, a substantial number of them were dominated by Ontario's share of the total production. These industries, with the percentage which the production of each bears to the 1955 Canada total