

in 1959. The greater part of the output is used in road improvement, concrete works and railway ballast, and most of the commercial plants are equipped for producing crushed gravel, a product that can compete with crushed stone.

27.—Quantity and Value of Sand, and Sand and Gravel Produced, 1956-58

Material and Purpose	1956		1957		1958	
	Quantity	Gross Value	Quantity	Gross Value	Quantity	Gross Value
	tons	\$	tons	\$	tons	\$
Sand—						
Moulding sand.....	26,871	71,163	17,618	60,284	21,346	98,179
For building, concrete, roads, etc..	11,902,438	9,219,153	14,173,048	9,873,088	13,232,445	11,902,625
Other.....	553,030	369,680	435,488	388,213	313,391	171,691
Sand and Gravel—						
For railway ballast.....	7,124,461	2,493,086	7,687,770	3,057,655	8,373,117	3,624,978
For concrete, roads, etc.....	102,177,661	51,832,543	108,654,941	56,593,792	106,229,805	55,362,687
For mine filling.....	2,947,289	848,259	3,374,630	880,085	4,233,347	2,042,032
Crushed gravel.....	24,069,518	17,123,468	25,486,017	21,286,237	27,807,494	23,080,171
Totals, Sand and Gravel.....	148,801,268	81,957,352	159,829,512	91,939,354	160,210,915	96,282,363

Cement.—The production of cement continued its upward trend in 1959, showing an increase over 1958 of 2.3 p.c. in quantity and 1.5 p.c. in value. Of the Canadian total of 6,296,010 tons, Ontario contributed 37.7 p.c. and Quebec 31.4 p.c. and all other provinces except Prince Edward Island and Nova Scotia contributed varying amounts; the percentages changed little from the previous year. Moderate increases in production were shown by Manitoba, Alberta and British Columbia.

28.—Quantity and Value of Production, Imports, Exports and Apparent Consumption of Cement, 1950-59

NOTE.—Figures from 1910 are given in the corresponding table of previous Year Books beginning with the 1939 edition.

Year	Shipments (sold or used)		Imports	Exports	Apparent Consumption ¹
	tons	\$			
1950.....	2,929,820	35,894,124	242,588	4,184	3,168,224
1951.....	2,976,367	40,446,288	407,300	453	3,383,214
1952.....	3,241,095	48,059,470	509,947	754	3,750,288
1953.....	3,891,708	58,842,022	434,487	2,577	4,323,618
1954.....	3,926,559	59,035,644	401,135	21,638	4,306,056
1955.....	4,404,480	65,650,025	517,890	168,907	4,753,463
1956.....	5,021,683	75,233,021	677,616 ²	124,591	5,574,738
1957.....	6,049,098	93,167,477	92,380	338,315	5,803,183
1958.....	6,153,421	96,414,142	41,555	141,250	6,053,726
1959 ²	6,296,010	97,889,446	29,256	303,126	6,022,140

¹ Shipments plus imports less exports.

² Includes imported clinker, other than white.

Stone.—The stone industry has two main divisions—stone quarrying and the stone products industry. The granite, limestone, marble, sandstone and slate quarries of Canada yield high-grade structural and decorative materials and also supply requirements for chemical and other allied industries. The gross value of stone of all varieties produced in Canada in 1959 totalled \$51,167,000 as compared with \$55,583,000 in 1958. Detailed data for 1959 were not available at time of going to press.