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Petroleum refining continued to be Canada's leading manufacturing industry in 1983, measured by the value of shipments at an estimated total of \$22.3 billion.

Motor vehicle manufacturers ranked second with shipments valued at \$16.8 billion. Pulp and paper mills were third at \$11.1 billion.

Ontario is the leading manufacturing province as well as being the most populous, and in 1982 recorded 50.0% of manufacturing shipments. Quebec was second, with 26.2% of shipments.

Nearly 2 million people in Canada are employed in manufacturing, about half of them in plants with less than 200 workers. The average size plant has about 48 employees. In 1982 there were also 138 larger manufacturing establishments which each had payrolls of 1,000 or more.

Making optimum use of capital stock resources in manufacturing depends on markets and anticipated orders. Following a slump in 1982, capacity utilization expanded gradually through 1983 but dropped again early in 1984.