

IRON. TABLE 15.

Annual Production of Steel Ingots and Castings, 1894-1908.

Calendar Year.	Short Tons.	Calendar Year.	Short Tons.	Calendar Year.	Short Tons.
1894.	28,767	1899.	21,640	1901.	166,381
1895.	19,040	1900.	26,406	1905.	451,863
1896.	17,920	1901.	20,214	1906.	639,306
1897.	20,608	1902.	263,881	1907.	706,982
1898.	24,125	1903.	263,286	1908.	588,763

Following is a list of firms making steel:—

Dominion Iron & Steel Co., Sydney, C.B.
 Nova Scotia Steel & Coal Co., New Glasgow, N.S.
 Montreal Steel Works, Ltd., Montreal, Que.
 The Algoma Steel Co., Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.
 The Hamilton Steel & Iron Co., Hamilton, Ont.
 The Wm. Kennedy Sons., Ltd., Owen Sound, Ont.
 The Ottawa Steel Castings Co., Ltd., Ottawa, Ont.
 The Ontario Iron & Steel Co., Ltd., Welland, Ont.

The American Iron and Steel Association collects and publishes annually very complete statistics of the production of iron and steel in Canada, as well as in the United States, and we are indebted to this authority¹ for the following statistics of the production of finished rolled iron and steel in Canada:—

¹ Finished Rolled Iron and Steel.—The production of finished rolled iron and steel in Canada in 1908 amounted to about 496,517 long tons, as compared with about 600,179 long tons in 1907, a decrease of 103,662 tons or over 17·2 per cent. Of the total production in 1908 about 65,505 tons were iron, and about 431,012 tons were steel, against about 81,093 tons of iron and about 519,086 tons of steel in 1907.

The following table gives the production of leading articles of finished rolled iron and steel in Canada in the last five years:—

Products—Gross Tons.	1904.	1905.	1906.	1907.	1908.
Rails.	36,216	178,885	312,877	311,461	268,692
Structural shapes and wire rods.	11,195	48,850	48,351	65,541	41,520
Plates and sheets.	3,102	4,941	15,202	18,493	11,656
Nail plate.	5,030	4,110	2,183	1,720	2,126
All other finished rolled forms.	124,495	149,037	193,129	202,964	172,523
Total.	180,038	385,826	571,742	600,179	496,517

¹ Annual Statistical Report of the American Iron and Steel Association for 1908, p. 82.