

**TABLE 4**  
**DOMESTIC PRODUCTION OF SELECTED**  
**BUILDING PRODUCTS AND MATERIALS**  
(volume)

	unit	1988	1989	jan-sep 1990
Plywood	000 m2	13,738	14,468	11,564
Paints	000 lts	47,742	49,078	41,515
Impermeabilizators	000 kgs	39,785	33,490	21,187
Water tanks for WC	pieces	761,794	744,668	571,515
WC's	sets	1,266	1,269	1,032
Sinks	pieces	492,001	595,041	479,575
Water containers	tons	21,822	25,916	25,538
Water heaters	pieces	359,759	417,308	420,587
PVC pipe & acc.	tons	14,660	16,924	17,082
Copper pipes	tons	30,896	33,697	20,362
Piping	tons	51,282	48,487	47,242
Grey Portl. cement	000 tons	22,922	23,567	18,140
White cement	tons	383,713	437,915	343,201
Asbestos sheets	tons	106,672	139,781	121,778
Concrete	000 m3	2,240	2,072	1,879
Concrete plates	m2	229,449	166,860	199,059
Sleepers	000	829,033	437,262	415,027
Steel bars	tons	685,388	663,354	531,133
Steel profiles	tons	536,691	577,417	448,915
Steel fences & net	tons	56,568	66,944	60,657
Aluminium profiles	tons	22,133	23,732	19,037
Metal beams	tons	9,879	7,289	4,810
Bricks	000	44,114	105,711	88,541
Glass	tons	281,472	320,594	89,773
Floor tiles	000 m2	15,829	16,271	12,989
Outdoor tiles	000	39,820	38,498	32,172
Roof tiles	000	14,390	19,366	12,514
Wire & cable	tons	36,978	46,735	38,045

Source: INEGI

Mexico is also a major exporter of building products and materials, as evidenced by its \$601.3 million exports of 1990, although Mexico's exports have shown a decreasing tendency as a result of the recovery of the construction industry and the increased internal demand for these products. Mexico's most important exports during 1990, in million dollars, include:

Iron & steel products	\$116.9
Cement	\$ 69.6
Floor & roof coverings (part. tiles)	\$ 58.1
Electrical material	\$ 48.9
Wood & wood products	\$ 48.6
Copper products	\$ 39.9
Carpets	\$ 24.9
Gypsum	\$ 12.2