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MQ327D — CLAY CONSTRUCTION PRODUCTS PRODUCTION AND SHIPMENTS

DEFINITIONS AND SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

1. Scope of survey

This survey covers manufacturers producing clay construction products.

2. Figures to be reported

Companies with more than one establishment manufacturing the products covered by this survey are requested to complete a separate report form for each location. If you have not received a separate form for each of your establishments, please call the contact shown on the report form or write to the U.S. Census Bureau for additional forms.

a. Quantity and value of shipments

The figures on quantity and value of shipments should include the physical shipments of all products sold, transferred to other establishments within your company, or shipped on consignment, whether for domestic or export sale. The value represents the net sales price to the customer or branch to which the products are shipped, net of discounts, allowances, freight charges, and returns. Shipments to your own branches should be assigned the same value as comparable sales to unaffiliated customers, i.e., the value includes an appropriate allocation of company overhead and profit. Products bought and resold without further manufacture should not be included in shipments.

Production — Report quantities of all clay construction products produced at this establishment. Include products made elsewhere for this establishment on a contract basis from materials supplied by this establishment. Exclude products made for you by others from their materials.

b. Units of measure

Report net production and quantity of shipments for brick and facing tile and ceramic glazed brick in thousands of standard brick equivalents. A brick equivalent is equal to 62.2 cubic inches. Report unglazed and salt glazed facing tile in thousands of brick equivalents. Report structural clay tile and vitrified clay sewer pipe and fittings, in short tons. Clay floor and wall tile, ceramic mosaic tile, and quarry tile should be reported in thousands of square feet.

Value of shipments should be reported in thousands of dollars.

3. Definitions

Building or common brick — Any brick made primarily for building purposes and not especially treated for texture or color.

Facing brick — A brick made especially for facing purposes, often treated to produce surface texture, and made of selected clays or otherwise treated to produce desired color.

Facing tile — Tile designed for use in exterior or interior walls, partitions or columns where the faces of the units are to be left exposed.

Ceramic glazed brick — Brick having a glaze of bright satin or glass finish obtained by spraying the clay body with a compound of metallic oxides, chemicals, and clays and burning at a high temperature, fusing the glaze to the body, making them inseparable.

Structural clay tile — A hollow masonry building unit composed of burned clay, shale, fire clay, or mixtures thereof and having parallel air cells.

Quarry tile — Glazed or unglazed tile made by the extrusion process from natural clay or shale usually having six square inches (39 square centimeters) or more of facial area.

Vitrified — That characteristic of a clay product resulting when the temperature in the kiln is sufficient to fuse all the grains and close all the pores of the clay, making the mass impervious.

4. Comparability

If you also report in the Annual Survey of Manufactures (Form MA-10000), the sum of values for item codes shown in column (a) should correspond to the dollar values reported under product class codes indicated in column (b) below:

Current Industrial Reports (Form MQ327D)	Annual Survey of Manufactures		
Item codes (a)	Product class codes (b)		
1103	3271210		
1206, 1233	3271210		
3036, 3039, 3063, 3073	3271220		
9103	3271231		

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REFERENCE LIST

FORM MQ327D CLAY CONSTRUCTION PRODUCTS PRODUCTION AND SHIPMENTS			
Product code	Item code	Item description	Unit of measure (Basis)
3271210110	1101	Brick (building or common and face, all sizes) (exclude ceramic glazed brick) Net production	Thousand bricks (2-1/4" x 3-5/8" x 7-5/8" equivalent)
	1102 1103	Quantity of shipments Value of shipments	Thousands of dollars
3271210221		Facing tile (structural) and ceramic glazed brick, including unglazed and salt glazed	Thousand bricks (2-1/4" x 3-5/8" x 7-5/8" equivalent)
	1204 1205 1206	Net production Quantity of shipments Value of shipments	Thousands of dollars
3271210226		Structural clay tile except facing (no-load bearing and load bearing)	Short Tons
	1231 1232 1233	Net production Quantity of shipments Value of shipments	Thousands of dollars
		Clay floor and wall tile, glazed and unglazed (including quarry tile and ceramic mosaic tile)	
3271220111	3034 3035	Glazed clay floor and wall tile (including glazed quarry, tiles having a facial area greater than 6 and less than 59 square inches) Net production Quantity of shipments	
3271220121	3036 3037 3038 3039	Value of shipments Glazed clay floor and wall tile (including glazed quarry, tiles having a facial area 59 square inches or greater) Net production Quantity of shipments Value of shipments	Thousands of square feet & Thousands of
3271220131	3061 3062 3063	Unglazed clay floor and wall tile (including unglazed quarry, tiles having a facial area greater than 6 square inches) Net production Quantity of shipments Value of shipments	dollars
3271220211	3071 3072 3073	Ceramic mosaic tile (glazed and unglazed) having a facial area less than 6 square inches Net production Quantity of shipments Value of shipments	
3271231100	9101	Vitrified clay sewer pipe and fittings (include joints and couplings of non-clay material when sold as integral part of the pipe) Net production	Short tons
	9102 9103	Quantity of shipments Value of shipments	Thousands of dollars

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