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GOLD PRODUCTION

Gold production during March, 1961, totalled 392,764 fine ounces compared with 359,835 fine ounces in the previous month and with 389,031 fine ounces in March, 1960. The value of gold production in March, 1961, was $13,573,924 calculated at the average price paid by the Royal Canadian Mint.

Production in March included 340,948 fine ounces from auriferous quartz mines and 51,816 fine ounces from base metal mines. Output from auriferous mines and placers increased .87 per cent and production from base metal mines increased 1.56 per cent from March, 1960.

Table 1. Gold Production, by Provinces, 1960 and 1961

Month	Newfoundland and Nova Scotia		Quebec		Ontario		Prairie Provinces	
	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961
				(Fine Ounces)				
January	1,067	-	83,721	88,091	230,002	232,000	11,690	10,917
February	694	-	82,971	85,018	228,610	219,623	10,416	10,572
March	951	-	89,618	93,279	234,757	238,492	11,467	11,803
Total three months	2,612	-	256,310	266,388	693,369	690,115	33,573	33,292
April	678		76,305		223,634		11,697	
May	886		86,430		227,486		11,171	
June	1,231		88,135		229,721		12,347	
July	1,985		83,799		227,461		12,225	
August	1,486		87,708		206,822		13,059	
September	756		82,335		212,798		11,060	
October	1,683		84,603		234,686		10,933	
November	1,785		85,671		232,155		11,719	
December	439		91,714		235,671		12,484	
Totals	13,541		1,023,010		2,723,803		140,268	

	British Columbia		Yukon		Northwest Territories		TOTAL	
	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961
				(Fine Ounces)				
January	15,654	12,183	23	27	34,916	35,067	377,073	378,285
February	16,672	12,468	53	-	32,248	32,154	371,664	359,835
March	16,560	14,296	234	648	35,544	34,246	389,031	392,764
Total three months	48,886	38,947	310	675	102,708	101,467	1,137,768	1,130,884
April	16,426		735		36,355		365,830	
May	18,023		-		34,132		378,128	
June	17,692		7,437		30,519		387,082	
July	19,700		11,262		38,055		394,487	
August	20,759		15,225		35,874		380,933	
September	17,003		10,455		34,310		368,717	
October	16,568		19,243		35,763		403,479	
November	16,973		10,104		33,808		392,215	
December	15,162		3,344		34,967		393,781	
Totals	207,192		78,115		416,491		4,602,420	

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TABLE 2. Production of Gold from Auriferous Quartz and Base Metal Mines, 1960 and 1961

Month	Gold production from base metal mines		Gold production from auriferous quartz mines and placer deposits	
	1960	1961	1960	1961
	(Fine Ounces)			
January	48,368	49,467	328,705	328,818
February	49,410	49,834	322,254	310,001
March	51,019	51,816	338,012	340,948
Total three months	148,797	151,117	988,971	979,767
April	49,056		316,774	
May	44,567		333,561	
June	52,924		334,158	
July	52,121		342,366	
August	54,631		326,302	
September	49,934		318,783	
October	50,847		352,632	
November	49,733		342,482	
December	52,983		340,798	
Totals	605,593		3,996,827	

TABLE 3. Employment in Lode Gold Mines (1), by Provinces, 1960 and 1961

Month	Quebec		Ontario		British Columbia		Other districts and provinces		CANADA	
	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961
	(Number)									
January	3,044	3,020	11,853	11,582	787	585	972	969	16,656	16,156
February	3,034	3,017	11,805	11,485	740	565	970	951	16,549	16,018
March	2,974	..	11,836	..	747	..	978	..	16,535	..
April	2,943		11,697		937		958		16,335	
May	2,965		11,860		1,034		996		16,855	
June	3,025		12,107		1,040		995		17,167	
July	3,026		11,960		998		978		16,962	
August	3,088		12,009		955		1,005		17,057	
September	3,075		11,815		840		982		16,712	
October	3,034		11,743		821		989		16,587	
November	3,031		11,652		739		992		16,414	
December	3,002		11,588		599		968		16,157	

1 Mines with 15 or more employees.

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