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# MONTHLY REPORT

## ASBESTOS PRODUCTION IN CANADA - DECEMBER, 1935.

Canadian producers reported shipments totalling 15,924 tons in December as against 25,528 tons shipped in November, according to a statement just issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa. Shipments during the calendar year 1935 were 34.7 per cent higher than in the preceding year and totalled 210,164 tons.

Canada exported 25,650 tons of asbestos in December; during the preceding month 21,506 tons were exported. Shipments to the United States accounted for 63.4 per cent of the December exportations. During 1935 the Canadian exports of asbestos totalled 200,211 tons; this represented an increase of 26.5 per cent over the tonnage exported in 1934.

The value of asbestos products imported into Canada in December declined to \$46,203 from the preceding month's total of \$63,070. Brake and clutch lining importations were valued at \$11,268 as compared with the November valuation of \$14,818. Receipts of asbestos packing in December totalled 16,944 pounds worth \$4,733; in November 8,812 pounds at \$4,036 were imported. Imports of other asbestos products into Canada in December were appraised at \$30,202 of which the United States contributed 38.4 per cent, Great Britain, 60.8 per cent, and Belgium and Germany, the remainder.

## PRODUCTION OF ASBESTOS IN CANADA (short tons)

Month	1 9 3 5 (a)		1 9 3 4		1 9 3 3	
	As- bestos	(b) By- products	As- bestos	(b) By- products	As- bestos	(b) By- products
January .....	10,506	31	8,293	108	6,063	64
February .....	11,844	46	9,028	2	5,586	1
March .....	11,816	98	12,318	451	5,558	126
April .....	14,702	308	10,350	324	8,322	256
May .....	18,562	410	12,847	599	11,331	248
June .....	15,316	238	13,382	403	12,690	230
July .....	15,398	526	11,746	594	14,805	288
August .....	23,119	329	15,530	720	16,703	181
September .....	20,344	196	14,450	323	18,914	2,907
October .....	27,105	486	17,939	571	19,893	2,017
November .....	25,528	226	19,742	369	20,849	62
December .....	15,924	181	10,355	208	17,653	65
TOTAL .....	210,164	3,075	155,980	4,672	158,367	6,445

(a) Subject to revision.

(b) Sand, gravel, etc.

Average prices prevailing at Quebec asbestos mines at the end of December (tax and bags included) as quoted in the Metal and Mineral Markets, were as follows:-

Crude No. 1 .....	\$ 500 per ton	Shingle stocks ....	\$ 45 to \$ 75 per ton
Crude No. 2 .....	\$ 200 - \$225 per ton	Paper stocks .....	\$ 32.50 - \$37.50 per ton
Spinning fibres .....	\$ 90 - \$135 per ton	Cement stocks .....	\$ 19 - \$23 per ton
Magnesia and compressed sheet fibres .....	\$ 90 - \$100 per ton	Floats .....	\$ 16 - \$18.50 per ton
		Shorts .....	\$ 11 - \$14.50 per ton

Imports of asbestos, raw and fibre, into Great Britain, November and December, 1935 -

	N O V E M B E R		D E C E M B E R	
	short ton	£	short ton	£
From - Union of South Africa .....	1,460	23,469	513	7,411
Southern Rhodesia .....	1,089	22,270	1,669	35,515
Other British countries .....	1,471	18,115	937	11,309
Foreign countries .....	148	3,123	104	3,161
TOTAL .....	4,168	66,977	3,223	57,396

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