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ASBESTOS PRODUCTION IN CANADA - SEPTEMBER, 1935.

Shipments of asbestos by Canadian producers in September were recorded at 20,344 tons as compared with 23,119 wons in August and 14,450 tons in September, 1934, according to a statement just issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa. During the nine months ending September, 141,607 tons of asbestos were shipped; in the corresponding period of 1934 shipments totalled 107,944 tons.

Exports of asbestos from Canada rose to 19,804 tons from the August total of 18,382 tons. The United States received 72.4 per cent of the September exports and 85.3 per cent of the August exports.

Asbestos products importeá into Canada in September were valued at \$80,067 or an increase of 35.8 per cent above the preceding month's import valuation. Brake and clutch lining importations were appraised at \$24,195 as against \$19,517 in August. Asbestos packing receipts in September advanced to 8,058 pounds worth \$3,540 from the August total of 6,363 pounds at \$3,343. Other asbestos products imported into Canada in September were valued at \$52,332; the United States accounted for 59.8 per cent of these imports; Great Britain, 38.6 per cent, and Germany, France and Austria, the remainder.

PRODUCTION OF ASBESTOS IN CANADA

(short tons)									
	1 9 3 5 (a)		1934		1933				
Month	As-	(b) By-	AS-	(b) By-	As-	(b) By-			
	bestos	products	bestos	products	bestos	products			
Tanuans	10,506	31	8,235	108	6,063	64			
January		46	9,028	2	5,586	1			
March	11,844	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			17,939	571	19,893	2,017			
November			19,742	369	20,849	62			
December			10,355	208	17,653	65_			
TOTAL - Calendar Year			155,980	4,672	158,367	6,445			
TOTAL - Nine Months ending									
SEPTEMBER	141,607	2,182	107,944	3,524	99,972	4,301			
(a) Subject to revision. (b) Sand, gravel, etc.									

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

Crude No. 1 \$ 500 per ton	Shingle stocks \$ 45 - \$75 per ton
Grude 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	Floats 4 16 - 418.50 per ton
sheet fibres 90 - 4100 per ton	Shorts (11 - (14.50 per ton

Imports of Asbestos, raw and fibre, into Great Britain, August and September, 1935:

	AUG	UST	SEPTE	SEPTEMBER		
	Short ton	2	Short ton	£		
From - Union of South Africa	1,021	1.5,828	1,293	19,069		
Southern Rhodesia	1,397	28,605	1,291	25,149		
Other British countries	497	4,518	936	9,494		
Foreign countries	33	474	109	2,060		
TOTAL	2,948	49,425	3,629	55,772		

