

MONTHLY REPORT

ASBESTOS PRODUCTION IN CANADA - JULY, 1936.

Shipments of asbestos by Canadian producers in July rose to 27,749 tons from the June total of 23,136 tons and the July, 1935, total of 15,420 tons, according to a statement just issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa. During the seven months ending July, 148,130 tons of asbestos were shipped as compared with 98,285 tons a year ago.

Exports of asbestos from Canada in July amounted to 26,456 tons; in June, 26,516 tons were exported. Approximately 68.6 per cent of the July exports were consigned to the United States as against 72.3 per cent in the preceding month.

The value of asbestos products imported into Canada in July advanced to \$82,219 from the June total of \$77,818. Brake and clutch lining importations were appraised at \$25,407 or 22.4 per cent below the previous month's valuation. Asbestos packing receipts in July were recorded at 17,926 pounds worth \$7,581; in June, 23,553 pounds at \$5,013 were imported. Other asbestos products imported in July were valued at \$49,231, consisting of \$30,699 from the United States, \$17,931 from Great Britain, and the remainder from British South Africa, Austria and Germany.

PRODUCTION OF ASBESTOS IN CANADA

| (short tons) | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------------|---------|-----------|---------|----------|---------|----------|--|--|--|
| | 1936 | (a) | 1 9 | 3 5 | 1 9 | 3 4 | | | |
| Month | As- | (b) By- | As- | (b) By- | As- | (b) By- | | | |
| | bestos | products | bestos | products | bestos | products | | | |
| January | 17,016 | 37 | 10,521 | 31 | 8,293 | 108 | | | |
| February | | | 11,861 | 46 | 9,028 | 2 | | | |
| March | | 187 | 11,833 | 98 | 12,318 | 451 | | | |
| April | | 390 | 14,723 | 308 | 10,350 | 324 | | | |
| May | 27,361 | 599 | 18,589 | 410 | 12,847 | 599 | | | |
| June | | 568 | 15,338 | 238 | 13,382 | 403 | | | |
| July | | 292 | 15,420 | 526 | 11,746 | 594 | | | |
| August | | | 23,153 | 329 | 15,530 | 720 | | | |
| September | | | 20,373 | 196 | 14,450 | 323 | | | |
| October | | | 27,144 | 486 | 17,939 | 571 | | | |
| November | | | 25,565 | 226 | 19,742 | 369 | | | |
| December | | | 15,947 | 131 | 10,355 | 208 | | | |
| TOTAL - Calender Year | | | 210,467 | 3,025 | 155,980 | 4,672 | | | |
| TOTAL - Seven months ending JULY | 148,130 | 2,073 | 98,285 | 1,657 | 77,964 | 2,481 | | | |
| (a) Subject to revision. | | (b) Sand, | gravel, | etc. | | | | | |

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

Imports of asbestos, raw and fibre, into Great Britain, JUNE and JULY, 1936.

| | JU | NE | JULY | | |
|------------------------------|-----------|--------|-----------|--------|--|
| | short ton | £ | short ton | £ | |
| From - Union of South Africa | 638 | 8,553 | 1,182 | 15,297 | |
| Southern Rhodesia | 1,446 | 27,493 | 1,451 | 31,388 | |
| Other British countries | 1,005 | 9,612 | 1,295 | 13,260 | |
| Foreign countries | 410 | 4,991 | 101 | 1,999 | |
| TOTAL | 3,499 | 50,649 | 4,029 | 61,944 | |

