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MONTHLY REPORT

ASBESTOS PRODUCTION IN CANADA - APRIL, 1938.

Shipments of Canadian asbestos amounted to 24,642 tons in April compared with 22,281 tons in the preceding month and 42,267 tons in April, 1937, according to a statement just issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa. During the first four months of 1938 Canadian producers shipped 75,945 tons of asbestos; a year ago, 124,768 tons were shipped.

Exports of asbestos from Canada in April totalled 21,176 tons of which the United States received 46.3 per cent and Japan, 40.3 per cent. In March, 17,013 tons were exported and the United States purchased 65.4 per cent of this total.

Asbestos products imported into Canada in April were valued at \$78,952 or 17.4 per cent below the March import valuation. Imports of brake and clutch lining were appraised at \$29,283 compared with \$33,111 in the preceding month. Receipts of asbestos packing in April were worth \$2,135; the March imports were valued at \$5,151. A decline of 17.1 per cent was recorded in the receipts of other asbestos products in April; the total for the month was \$47,484 made up of 60.3 per cent from the United States, 39.5 per cent from Great Britain, and 0.2 per cent from Belgium.

PRODUCTION OF ASBESTOS IN CANADA (short tons)

Month	1938 (a)		1937 (a)		1936	
	As- bestos	(b) By- products	As- bestos	(b) By- products	As- bestos	(b) By- products
January .....	16,845	113	22,454	88	17,016	37
February .....	12,177	99	27,301	167	17,038	...
March .....	22,281	199	32,746	131	16,225	187
April .....	24,642	197	42,267	305	19,605	390
May .....			37,636	545	27,361	599
June .....			35,341	513	23,136	568
July .....			35,194	244	27,749	292
August .....			36,881	348	25,128	170
September .....			39,211	454	31,067	292
October .....			33,471	627	38,231	282
November .....			37,625	308	37,086	301
December .....			28,686	310	21,645	67
TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR .....			408,813	4,040	301,287	3,185
TOTAL - FOUR MONTHS ending APRIL.	75,945	608	124,768	691	69,884	614

(a) Subject to revision.

(b) Sand, gravel, etc.

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

Crude No. 1 .....	\$700 - \$750 per ton	Shingle stocks .....	\$57 - \$77 per ton
Crude No. 2 and sundry crudes .....	\$150 - \$350 per ton	Paper stocks .....	\$40 - \$45 per ton
Spinning fibres .....	\$110 - \$200 per ton	Cement stocks .....	\$21 - \$25 per ton
Magnesia and compressed sheet fibres .....	\$110 - \$200 per ton	Floats .....	\$18 - \$20 per ton
		Shorts .....	\$12 - \$16.50 per ton

IMPORTS OF ASBESTOS, RAW AND FIBRE, into GREAT BRITAIN - MARCH and APRIL, 1938.

From -	MARCH		APRIL	
	Short ton	£	Short ton	£
Union of South Africa .....	962	19,688	1,174	27,589
Southern Rhodesia .....	1,308	31,532	1,693	52,114
Other British countries .....	419	6,616	467	8,896
Foreign countries .....	129	2,046	136	1,754
TOTAL .....	2,818	59,882	3,470	90,353



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