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MONTHLY REPORT

ASBESTOS PRODUCTION IN CANADA - APRIL, 1940

Asbestos shipments by Canadian producers amounted to 30,449 tons in April compared with 24,921 tons in the preceding month and 23,921 tons in April, 1939, according to a statement just issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa. Shipments during the first four months of 1940 aggregated 103,347 tons; in the corresponding period a year ago, 86,605 tons were shipped.

The Canadian exports of asbestos advanced to 24,634 tons in April from the March total of 22,726 tons. The United States received 63.2 per cent of the April exports of Canadian asbestos.

Imports of asbestos products into Canada in April were appraised at \$115,242 or 24.9 per cent above the March import valuation. The April imports were as follows:

	Pounds	\$
Asbestos packing	17,592	6,036
Asbestos brake linings for automobiles, motor vehicles and chassis	25,188
Asbestos clutch facings for automobiles, motor vehicles and chassis	3,754
Asbestos brake linings and clutch facings, n.o.p.	6,410
Asbestos in any form, other than crude, and all manufactures of, n.o.p.	75,954

PRODUCTION OF ASBESTOS IN CANADA

(short tons)

Month	1940(a)		1939(a)		1938
	Asbestos	(b) By-Products	Asbestos	(b) By-Products	Asbestos
January	26,651	62	18,780	117	16,845
February	21,326	104	21,224	32	12,177
March	24,921	154	22,680	403	22,281
April	30,449	153	23,921	145	24,642
May			22,414	460	31,007
June			23,138	326	25,219
July			28,671	3,517	25,344
August			35,386	424	24,820
September			38,124	669	26,297
October			44,322	424	34,246
November			40,563	267	29,471
December			31,946	117	17,444
TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR			364,024	7,041	289,795
TOTAL - FOUR MONTHS ending APRIL	103,347	473	86,605	627	75,945

(a) Subject to revision.

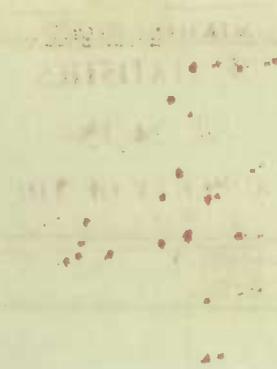
(b) Sand, gravel, etc.

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 - \$73 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



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The following table shows the relationship between Gross National Product and Gross Domestic Product for the years 1970 to 1979. The data is presented in millions of dollars.

Year	Gross National Product	Gross Domestic Product
1950	10,000	9,500
1951	11,000	10,500
1952	12,000	11,500
1953	13,000	12,500
1954	14,000	13,500
1955	15,000	14,500
1956	16,000	15,500
1957	17,000	16,500
1958	18,000	17,500
1959	19,000	18,500
1960	20,000	19,500
1961	21,000	20,500
1962	22,000	21,500
1963	23,000	22,500
1964	24,000	23,500
1965	25,000	24,500
1966	26,000	25,500
1967	27,000	26,500
1968	28,000	27,500
1969	29,000	28,500
1970	30,000	29,500
1971	31,000	30,500
1972	32,000	31,500
1973	33,000	32,500
1974	34,000	33,500
1975	35,000	34,500
1976	36,000	35,500
1977	37,000	36,500
1978	38,000	37,500
1979	39,000	38,500

The following table shows the relationship between Gross National Product and Gross Domestic Product for the years 1980 to 1989. The data is presented in millions of dollars.