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Shipments of asbestos from Canadian mines during February, 1949 totalled 26,148 tons compared with 48,872 tons in the previous month and with 50,127 tons in February, 1948. Reduced production was due to labour strike.

Exports of asbestos during February, 1949 totalled 33,223 tons compared with 43,437 tons in January, and with 44,601 tons in the corresponding month of 1948.

Producers' Shipments of Asbestos for February, 1949 and Year to Date 1948 and 1949

Grade	Shipments (including any for own use)			
	February		Two Months Ended February	
	1948	1949	1948	1949
	(Tons of 2,000 pounds)			
Crude .....	86	26	183	97
Spinning stocks .....	1,901	1,023	4,097	2,844
Shingle stocks .....	7,889	4,061	15,151	12,268
Paper stocks .....	5,858	2,726	11,304	8,911
Waste, stucco or plaster ..	8,376	4,795	15,815	14,323
Refuse or shorts .....	26,017	13,517	50,210	36,577
Total .....	50,127	26,148	96,760	75,020

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	February		Two Months Ended February	
	1948		1948	
	1948	1949	1948	1949
	(Tons of 2,000 pounds)			
Crude .....	61	55	143	97
Milled fibres .....	15,058	10,776	31,963	24,496
Waste, refuse, shorts .....	29,482	22,392	60,262	52,067
Total .....	44,601	33,223	92,368	76,660

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