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A S B E S T O S

March - 1949

Shipments of asbestos from Canadian mines during March, 1949 totalled 11,770 tons compared with 26,148 tons in the previous month and with 62,524 tons in March, 1948. Reduced production was due to labour strike.

Exports of asbestos during March, 1949 totalled 12,357 tons compared with 33,223 tons in February, and with 57,463 tons in the corresponding month of 1948.

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

Grade	Shipments (including any for own use)			
	March		Three Months Ended March	
	1948	1949	1948	1949
(Tons of 2,000 pounds)				
Crude	45	30	228	127
Spinning stocks	2,500	435	6,597	3,279
Shingle stocks	10,755	1,152	25,906	13,420
Paper stocks	6,133	1,669	17,437	10,580
Waste, stucco or plaster ...	10,114	1,222	25,929	15,545
Refuse or shorts	32,977	7,262	83,187	43,839
Total	62,524	11,770	159,284	86,790

E x p o r t s

	Exports			
	March		Three Months Ended March	
	1948	1949	1948	1949
(Tons of 2,000 pounds)				
Crude	100	50	243	147
Milled fibres	16,595	3,589	48,558	28,085
Waste, refuse, shorts	40,768	8,718	101,030	60,785
Total	57,463	12,357	149,831	89,017

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