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Shipments of asbestos from Canadian mines during April, 1949 totalled 16,002 tons compared with 11,770 tons in the previous month and with 61,590 tons in April, 1948. Reduced production was due to labour strike.

Exports of asbestos during April, 1949 totalled 14,229 tons compared with 12,357 tons in March, and with 59,478 tons in the corresponding month of 1948.

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

Grade	Shipments (including any for own use)			
	April		Four Months Ended April	
	1948	1949	1948	1949
(Tons of 2,000 pounds)				
Crude .....	54	22	282	149
Spinning stocks .....	2,510	437	9,107	3,716
Shingle stocks .....	10,377	2,562	36,283	15,982
Paper stocks .....	7,396	1,602	24,833	12,182
Waste, stucco or plaster ...	11,712	1,467	37,641	17,012
Refuse or shorts .....	29,541	9,912	112,728	53,751
Total .....	61,590	16,002	220,874	102,792

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	April		Four Months Ended April	
	1948	1949	1948	1949
(Tons of 2,000 pounds)				
Crude .....	82	...	325	147
Milled fibres .....	19,214	4,261	67,772	32,346
Waste, refuse, shorts .....	40,182	9,968	141,212	70,753
Total .....	59,478	14,229	209,309	103,246

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