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Shipments of asbestos from Canadian mines during May, 1954, totalled 79,709 tons compared with 82,950 tons in the previous month and with 82,474 tons in May, 1953.

Table 1 - Producers' Shipments of Asbestos

Grade	Shipments (including any for own use)			
	May		Year to date	
	1953	1954	1953	1954
(Tons of 2,000 pounds)				
Quebec -				
Crude - No. 1, No. 2, Other	46	60	221	216
Milled - Group 3 (Spinning)	3,121	2,192	14,482	10,807
Group 4 (Shingle)	14,807	14,249	67,886	64,599
Group 5 (Paper)	9,920	9,689	44,429	37,143
Group 6 (Stucco)	17,290	15,460	77,936	67,307
Group 7 (Refuse)	32,249	33,708	147,949	153,267
Group 8 (Sand)	2,805	2,779	12,699	12,846
Total - all grades .	80,238	78,137	365,602	346,185
CANADA	82,474	79,709	375,672	355,863

Table 2 - Exports of Asbestos

Grade	May		Year to date	
	1953	1954	1953	1954
	(Tons of 2,000 pounds)			
Crude	24	99	170	236
Milled fibres	31,533	33,630	128,485	112,111
Waste, refuse, shorts	49,966	53,512	223,742	218,560
Total	81,523	87,241	352,397	330,907

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