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Shipments of asbestos from Canadian mines during February, 1959, totalled 60,084 tons compared with 54,668 tons in the previous month and with 53,949 tons in February, 1958.

Table 1 - Producers' Shipments of Asbestos

Grade	Shipments (including any for own use)			
	February		Year to date	
	1958	1959	1958	1959
(Tons of 2,000 pounds)				
<u>Quebec</u>				
Crude - No. 1, No. 2, Other	14	16	72	23
Milled - Group 3 (Spinning)	1,166	1,614	2,180	2,689
Group 4 (Shingle)	5,210	6,072	11,563	11,101
Group 5 (Paper)	3,767	5,430	9,288	10,024
Group 6 (Stucco)	9,958	10,962	18,636	21,238
Group 7 (Refuse)	28,441	30,349	58,620	58,725
Group 8 (Sand)	1,210	1,389	2,923	2,590
Total all grades	49,766	55,832	103,282	106,390
CANADA (Quebec, Ontario, B.C.)	53,949	60,084	111,399	114,752

Table 2 - Exports of Asbestos

Grade	February		Year to date	
	1958		1958	
	1958	1959	1958	1959
(Tons of 2,000 pounds)				
Crude	11	3	55	47
Milled fibres	13,765	13,341	28,671	40,810
Waste, refuse, shorts	36,532	40,081	73,343	83,742
Total	50,308	53,425	102,069	124,599

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