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In the United States the commercial production of asbestos increased 31 per cent in quantity but declined 14 per cent in total value in comparison with 1989.



With the exception of 1911, the 1930 production was the largest output of chrysotile ever recorded in the United States. The total quantity of this mineral sold or used by domestic producers amounted to 3,653 short tons valued at \$273,292.

Official data are not available for the 1930 production in Russia or Cyprus. "Asbestos", published in Philadelphia, reports a preliminary figure of 62,390 short tons as the Russian output in 1930.

During 1930 a total of 11 plants in Canada manufactured asbestos products such as brake linings, boiler and pipe covering, packings, shingles, lumber, paper, clutch facings, blackboards, etc. Of these works, 4 were in Quebec, 4 in Ontario, 2 in British Columbia, and 1 in Nova Scotia. Total production was valued at \$2,301,924. Detailed statistics are given in a separate bulletin issued by the Bureau.

#### OUTPUT AND SHIPMENTS OF CANADIAN ASBESTOS, 1930.

Classification	Total output tons	Sold or Shipped		
		Quantity tons	Total sales	Average value
			value at mill	per ton
Crude No. 1 .....	653	720	345,750	480.21
Crude No. 2. ....	2,882	1,440	411,179	285.54
Other grades.....	436	161	10,914	67.79
Spinning stocks .....	14,432	10,411	1,473,522	141.52
Shingle stocks .....	22,590	19,909	1,406,385	70.64
Mill board and paper stocks.....	80,129	79,739	2,817,295	35.33
Fillers, floats and other short fibres.	119,290	129,734	1,925,118	14.84
TOTAL .....	240,412	242,114	8,390,163	
*Sand and gravel .....	40,729	40,309	12,413	0.31

(x) This production is included under the Sand and Gravel Industry.

#### IMPORTS INTO CANADA AND EXPORTS OF ASBESTOS, 1930.

	Tons	Value
<b>IMPORTS -</b>		
Asbestos brake and clutch lining .....	...	193,824
Asbestos packing.....	87	82,111
Asbestos in any form other than crude, and all manufactures of, n.o.p. ....	...	597,915
TOTAL .....	...	873,850
<b>EXPORTS -</b>		
Asbestos .....	104,262	6,441,939
Asbestos sand and waste .....	131,238	2,011,318
Asbestos manufactures, including asbestos roofing.....	...	199,783
TOTAL .....	...	8,653,040

#### PRINCIPAL STATISTICS OF THE ASBESTOS MINING INDUSTRY IN CANADA, 1929 and 1930.

	1929	1930
Number of firms .....	7	7
Capital employed .....	33,248,957	35,097,872
Number of employees:- On salary .....	197	230
On wages .....	3,194	2,540
Total .....	3,391	2,770
Salaries and wages:- Salaries .....	419,799	475,167
Wages .....	3,990,736	2,999,048
Total .....	4,410,535	3,474,215
Cost of fuel and electricity.....	1,355,610	1,133,737
Selling value of products .....	13,179,384	8,402,576



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