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MONTHLY REPORT

COAL AND COKE STATISTICS FOR CANADA - MARCH, 1937.

Coal production in Canada during March totalled 1,090,931 tons; in February, 1,292,002 tons were produced. The average output for the month during the past five years was 994,909 tons. Production during March, 1937 included 836,698 tons of bituminous coal, 34,035 tons of sub-bituminous coal and 220,198 tons of lignite coal.

Nova Scotia operators reported an output of 452,727 tons of coal in March as against 425,146 tons, a year ago. Alberta mines produced 373,496 tons, made up of 200,112 tons of bituminous coal, 34,035 tons of sub-bituminous coal and 139,349 tons of lignite coal. During March, 1936, Alberta's output included 178,726 tons of bituminous coal, 47,779 tons of sub-bituminous coal and 155,374 tons of lignite coal. An advance of 15.7 per cent was recorded in Saskatchewan's production; the month's total was 80,849 tons and the March, 1936 total, 69,906 tons. British Columbia mines produced 143,782 tons; this represented an increase of 14.2 per cent over the tonnage mined, a year ago. New Brunswick's output rose to 40,077 tons from the March, 1936 total of 24,945 tons.

Imports of coal into Canada in March amounted to 623,071 tons; in the corresponding month of 1936 imports totalled 506,260 tons. The March 1932-1936 average was 589,914 tons. Importations of anthracite coal during March consisted of 150,554 tons from the United States, 13,640 tons from Great Britain and 2,148 tons from Germany. Bituminous coal receipts were recorded at 456,682 tons; the United States accounted for 99.3 per cent of these imports; Great Britain, 0.5 per cent and Germany, 0.2 per cent. Forty-seven tons of lignite coal were imported into Canada from the United States during March.

Exports of Canadian coal during the month under review were at approximately the same level as a year ago and amounted to 40,848 tons. Exports averaged 26,748 tons in March during the past five years.

Coal made available for consumption in Canada during March (computed on the basis of production plus imports less exports) totalled 1,673,154 tons as compared with the five-year average for the month of 1,558,075 tons.

COAL STATISTICS FOR CANADA - MARCH, 1937. (short tons)

	OUTPUT	I M P O R T S			EXPORTS
		U.S.	G.B.	TOTAL	
Prince Edward Island -					
Anthracite .....	...	...	...	...	...
Bituminous .....	...	32	...	32	...
Nova Scotia -					
Anthracite .....	...	607	3,249	(x)6,004	...
Bituminous	452,727	...	...	(x) 927	14,109
New Brunswick -					
Anthracite .....	...	34	10,391	10,425	...
Bituminous	40,077	599	2,417	3,016	9,796
Quebec -					
Anthracite .....	...	27,006	...	27,006	...
Bituminous .....	...	26,103	...	26,103	4
Central Ontario -					
Anthracite .....	...	122,286	...	122,286	...
Bituminous .....	...	424,336	...	424,336	1
Manitoba and Head of Lakes -					
Anthracite .....	...	556	...	556	...
Bituminous .....	...	1,506	...	1,506	90
Lignite .....	...	1	...	1	74
Saskatchewan -					
Anthracite .....	...	...	...	...	...
Bituminous .....	...	75	...	75	3
Lignite	80,849	...	...	...	240
Alberta					
Anthracite .....	...	34	...	34	...
Bituminous	200,112	145	...	145	3
Sub-bituminous	34,035	...	...	...	...
Lignite	139,349	...	...	...	53
British Columbia -					
Anthracite .....	...	31	...	31	...
Bituminous	143,782	538	...	538	15,943
Lignite .....	...	46	...	46	532
Yukon -					
Bituminous .....	...	4	...	4	...
CANADA -					
(a) MARCH, 1937 -					
Anthracite .....	...	150,554	13,640	(x)166,342	...
Bituminous	836,698	453,338	2,417	(x)456,682	39,949
Sub-bituminous	34,035	...	...	...	...
Lignite	220,198	47	...	47	899
TOTAL	1,090,931	603,939	16,057	(x)623,071	40,848
MARCH, 1936	1,028,661	479,667	26,593	506,260	40,782
(b) THREE MONTHS ENDING MARCH 31, 1937 -					
Anthracite .....	...	421,151	51,654	(x)487,479	...
Bituminous	2,530,528	1,185,536	8,337	(x)1,196,543	111,402
Sub-bituminous	145,421	...	...	...	...
Lignite	1,184,605	454	...	454	3,434
TOTAL	3,860,554	1,607,141	59,991	(x)1,684,476	114,836
THREE MONTHS ENDING MARCH 31, 1936 -					
	3,912,389	1,407,242	82,538	1,489,780	108,345

(x) Includes coal imported from other countries.

C O K E

Coke production totalled 221,039 tons in March compared with 198,277 tons in the previous month and 202,411 tons in March, 1936. The daily rate of output in March was 7,335 tons, an increase of 3.5 per cent over the daily average of 7,081 tons in February.

During March, 103,586 tons of Canadian coal and 203,688 tons of imported coal were carbonized to produce 221,039 tons of coke, making a total output for the first three months of this year of 636,926 tons. The corresponding total for the first quarter of a year ago amounted to 612,022 tons.

Included in the March production figures were 14,720 tons of breeze of which 6,371 tons were sold. In the eastern provinces 7,652 tons of breeze were made and 4,173 tons sold; in Ontario the output was 5,920 tons with sales of 767 tons, and in the western provinces 1,148 tons were produced and 1,431 tons sold.

COKE STATISTICS FOR CANADA, BY MONTHS, 1937.

Months	Bituminous coal used in coke making			COKE MADE	Disposition of coke by makers					TOTAL
					U S E D		S O L D			
	Cana- dian	Im- ported	TOTAL		In coke or gas plants	In makers' smelters	For do- mestic use	For other uses		
January..	102,280	203,137	305,417	217,610	21,056	73,421	123,946	30,776	249,199	
February..	92,724	184,257	276,981	198,277	18,901	66,714	112,390	29,850	227,855	
March....	103,586	203,688	307,274	221,039	21,136	79,001	108,124	35,484	243,745	
TOTAL...	298,590	591,082	889,672	636,926	61,093	219,136	344,460	96,110	720,799	

PRODUCTION IN CANADA, IMPORTS AND EXPORTS OF COKE, BY PROVINCES, FOR JANUARY, 1936 and 1937.

	Year	Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Quebec		Ontario		Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia		C A N A D A	
		March	Year to date	March	Year to date	March	Year to date	March	Year to date
PRODUCTION ...	1936	65,077	195,946	120,946	365,008	16,388	51,068	202,411	612,022
	1937	72,360	210,634	128,480	370,550	20,199	55,742	221,039	636,926
IMPORTS	1936	366	3,106	25,278	116,356	1,768	7,989	27,412	127,451
	1937	2,037	3,818	19,363	56,832	1,180	5,684	22,580	66,334
EXPORTS	1936	61	119	...	...	2,035	6,695	2,096	6,814
	1937	97	242	...	15	4,705	8,636	4,802	8,893
APPARENT CONSUMPTION .	1936	65,382	198,933	146,224	481,364	16,121	52,362	227,727	732,659
	1937	74,300	214,210	147,843	427,367	16,674	52,790	238,817	694,367



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PRODUCTION OF COKE IN CANADA - BY MONTHS - 1929 - 1936.

(in thousands of short tons)

Months	1929	1930	1931	1932	1933	1934	1935	1936
January	221	225	171	151	150	195	200	212
February	202	204	165	144	128	169	181	198
March	228	224	179	156	139	192	198	202
April	220	213	169	143	122	186	180	190
May	231	210	169	129	134	185	185	200
June	221	193	155	119	136	179	180	199
July	225	182	139	127	145	184	176	193
August	227	182	132	121	150	189	175	191
September	220	170	126	127	156	188	180	189
October	233	185	140	131	173	204	205	212
November	224	185	144	143	174	199	206	208
December (x)	226	213	144	147	165	173	192	218
TOTAL	2,678	2,386	1,833	1,638	1,772	2,243	2,258	2,412
Monthly average ...	223	199	153	137	148	187	190	201

(x) Monthly errors are compensated in December entries.