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MONTHLY REPORT

COAL AND COKE STATISTICS FOR CANADA - MARCH, 1938.

Coal production in Canada during March amounted to 1,222,089 tons; a year ago, 1,109,806 tons were produced, while the five year average for the month was 1,006,688 tons. Bituminous coal output in March totalled 931,997 tons, sub-bituminous coal, 86,375 tons and lignite coal 203,717 tons.

Nova Scotia mines produced 524,342 tons compared with 453,659 tons a year ago. Alberta's output was recorded at 462,925 tons, made up of 237,265 tons of bituminous coal, 86,375 tons of sub-bituminous coal and 139,285 tons of lignite coal. In March, 1937, Alberta produced 209,507 tons of bituminous coal, 33,605 tons of sub-bituminous coal and 139,729 tons of lignite coal. A 13.9 per cent decline was shown in British Columbia's production when 129,064 tons were mined as against 149,918 tons in March, 1937. Saskatchewan operators reported an output of 64,432 tons, a year ago 79,100 tons were produced. New Brunswick's production amounted to 41,326 tons or 5.9 per cent below the March 1937 total.

Canada imported 497,612 tons of coal in March; this represented a decline of 20.1 per cent from the tonnage imported a year ago and 13 per cent from the March 1933-1937 average. Anthracite coal importations totalled 189,420 tons and included 164,100 tons from the United States, 21,171 tons from Great Britain and 4,149 tons from Germany. Imports of bituminous coal consisted of 301,082 tons from the United States and 6,855 tons from Great Britain. Two hundred and fifty-five tons of lignite coal were received from the United States during the month.

Exports of Canadian coal were recorded at 28,012 tons compared with 40,848 tons a year ago, and 29,441 tons, the average for the month during the past five years.

Coal made available for consumption during March totalled 1,691,689 tons; in March 1937 the available supply was 1,692,029 tons.

COAL STATISTICS FOR CANADA - MARCH, 1938 (short tons)

	OUTPUT	I M P O R T S			EXPORTS
		U.S.	G.B.	TOTAL	
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND -					
Anthracite	-	-	-	-	-
Bituminous	-	42	-	42	-
NOVA SCOTIA -					
Anthracite	-	174	13,070	(x)17,393	-
Bituminous	524,342	-	3,397	3,397	1,987
NEW BRUNSWICK -					
Anthracite	-	402	8,101	8,503	-
Bituminous	41,326	720	3,458	4,178	8,675
QUEBEC -					
Anthracite	-	26,834	-	26,834	-
Bituminous	-	28,170	-	28,170	140
CENTRAL ONTARIO -					
Anthracite	-	136,188	-	136,188	-
Bituminous	-	264,785	-	264,785	-
MANITOBA AND HEAD OF LAKES -					
Anthracite	-	502	-	502	-
Bituminous	-	7,054	-	7,054	190
Lignite	-	1	-	1	34
SASKATCHEWAN -					
Anthracite	-	-	-	-	-
Bituminous	-	99	-	99	13
Lignite	64,432	36	-	36	86
ALBERTA -					
Anthracite	-	-	-	-	-
Bituminous	237,265	110	-	110	18
Sub-bituminous	86,375	-	-	-	-
Lignite	139,285	-	-	-	38
BRITISH COLUMBIA -					
Anthracite	-	-	-	-	-
Bituminous	129,064	94	-	94	16,624
Lignite	-	218	-	218	207
YUKON -					
Bituminous	-	8	-	8	-
CANADA -					
(a) March, 1938					
Anthracite	-	164,100	21,171	(x)189,420	-
Bituminous	931,997	301,082	6,855	307,937	27,647
Sub-bituminous	86,375	-	-	-	-
Lignite	203,717	255	-	255	365
TOTAL	1,222,089	465,437	28,026	(x)497,612	28,012
TOTAL - March, 1937	1,109,806	603,939	16,057	(x)623,071	40,848
(b) THREE MONTHS ENDING March 31st, 1938					
Anthracite	-	505,180	40,181	(x)555,231	-
Bituminous	2,764,218	896,490	19,443	(x)916,350	101,691
Sub-bituminous	208,778	-	-	-	-
Lignite	1,084,948	886	-	886	3,181
TOTAL	4,057,944	1,402,556	59,624	(x)1,472,467	104,872
THREE MONTHS ENDING March 31st, 1937					
.....	3,891,923	1,604,009	63,123	(x)1,684,476	114,836

(x) Includes coal imported from other countries.

COKE - MARCH, 1938.

Production of coke in Canada amounted to 218,233 tons during March. This output was at the rate of 7,040 tons a day and compares with the daily average of other months, as follows - 7,119 tons in February and 7,130 tons in March 1937.

Oven charges for the three months ending March included 298,043 tons of Canadian coal and 597,267 tons of imported coal, which was carbonized to produce 641,481 tons of coke. During the first quarter of last year output was reported at 636,926 tons.

March figures included 13,578 tons of breeze, of which 6,334 tons were sold. Eastern provinces made 6,993 tons and sold 4,358 tons, Ontario made 5,060 tons and sold 980 tons, while the Western provinces produced 1,525 tons and sold 996 tons.

Sales of manufactured gas in Canada was reported at 1,394,190 M cubic feet in January and 1,265,235 M cubic feet in February.

COKE STATISTICS FOR CANADA, BY MONTHS, 1938.

(Exclusive of Petroleum Coke)

Months	Bituminous coal used in coke making			COKE MADE	Disposition of coke by makers				TOTAL
	Cana- dian	Im- ported	TOTAL		U S E D		S O L D		
					In coke or gas plants	In makers' smelters	For do- mestic use	For other uses	
Jan.	99,914	213,965	313,879	223,908	20,631	70,705	120,295	39,267	250,898
Feb.	92,617	186,100	278,717	199,340	19,145	63,556	103,170	34,643	220,514
Mar.	105,512	197,202	302,714	218,233	21,113	71,852	86,964	34,175	214,104
TOTAL	298,043	597,267	895,310	641,481	60,889	206,113	310,429	108,085	685,516

PRODUCTION IN CANADA, IMPORTS AND EXPORTS OF COKE, BY PROVINCES, FOR MARCH, 1937 and 1938. (Exclusive of Petroleum Coke)

	Nova Scotia New Brunswick and Quebec		Ontario		Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and Br. Columbia		C A N A D A		
	March	Year to date	March	Year to date	March	Year to date	March	Year to date	
PRODUCTION -									
1937	72,360	210,634	128,480	370,550	20,199	55,742	221,039	636,926	
1938	73,396	211,093	123,792	369,963	21,045	60,425	218,233	641,481	
IMPORTS -									
1937	2,037	3,818	19,389	56,858	1,180	5,684	22,606	66,360	
1938	1,012	5,441	18,934	63,486	679	4,544	20,625	73,413	
EXPORTS -									
1937	97	242	-	15	4,705	8,636	4,802	8,893	
1938	33	66	-	-	4,080	10,923	4,113	10,989	
AVAILABLE FOR CONSUMPTION -									
1937	74,300	214,210	147,869	427,393	16,674	52,790	238,843	694,393	
1938	74,375	216,468	142,726	433,449	17,644	54,046	234,745	703,963	

NOTE - Re IMPORTS - The imports of coal or coke, as shown in this report, represent the actual tonnages arriving at customs ports, while the report on the Trade of Canada shows clearances from customs for consumption in Canada.



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PRODUCTION OF COKE IN CANADA - BY MONTHS - 1930-1937.

(In thousands of short tons)

Months	1930	1931	1932	1933	1934	1935	1936	1937
January	225	171	151	150	195	200	212	218
February	204	165	144	128	169	181	198	198
March	224	179	156	139	192	198	202	221
April	213	169	143	122	186	180	190	214
May	210	169	129	134	185	185	200	218
June	193	155	119	136	179	180	199	210
July	182	139	127	145	184	176	193	212
August	182	132	121	150	189	175	191	214
September	170	126	127	156	188	180	189	208
October	185	140	131	173	204	205	212	218
November	185	144	143	174	199	206	208	217
December (x)	213	144	147	165	173	192	218	222
TOTAL	2,386	1,833	1,638	1,772	2,243	2,258	2,412	2,570
Monthly Average	199	153	137	148	187	190	201	214

(x) Monthly errors are compensated in December entries.