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MONTHLY REPORT

COAL AND COKE STATISTICS FOR CANADA - MAY, 1939.

The Canadian output of coal in May advanced to 1,124,433 tons from the May, 1938, total of 1,021,360 tons and the five-year average for the month of 1,006,286 tons. The production during the month under review included 1,019,777 tons of bituminous coal, 36,841 tons of sub-bituminous coal and 67,815 tons of lignite coal.

Operators in Nova Scotia reported an output of 673,586 tons compared with 616,265 tons a year ago. Production in Alberta amounted to 273,562 tons made up of 189,988 tons of bituminous coal, 36,841 tons of sub-bituminous coal and 46,733 tons of lignite coal. In May, 1938, Alberta produced 176,396 tons of bituminous coal, 8,108 tons of sub-bituminous coal and 65,672 tons of lignite coal. British Columbia mines produced 121,885 tons, or 16.2 per cent above the tonnage mined a year ago. A 71.4 per cent increase was recorded in New Brunswick's output; the month's output was 34,318 tons while a year ago, 20,028 tons were produced. Saskatchewan's production declined to 21,082 tons from the May, 1938, total of 29,962 tons.

Imports of coal into Canada in May totalled 793,212 tons; a year ago, 1,342,233 tons were imported. Importations in May during the past five years averaged 1,488,137 tons. Anthracite coal receipts in May were made up of 321,608 tons from the United States, 231,785 tons from Great Britain and 28,199 tons from Germany. Imports of bituminous coal in May totalled 211,448 tons of which the United States supplied 202,956 tons and Great Britain, 8,492 tons. The drop in the importations from the United States was due, in the main part, to the strike by the bituminous coal miners in the Appalachian region following the expiration, at the beginning of April, of their agreement with the operators. On May 13th a new agreement was signed and operations were resumed at many mines on May 15th.

One hundred and seventy-two tons of lignite coal were imported from the United States in May.

Canadian coal exports in May rose to 30,276 tons from the May, 1938, exportations of 22,092 tons and the May, 1934-1938, average of 21,666 tons. In addition to the Canadian coal exported during the month, 36,692 tons of foreign coal were re-exported from Canada to the United States to supplement that country's supplies which were being seriously depleted due to the strike at the bituminous coal mines.

COAL STATISTICS FOR CANADA, MAY, 1939. (Short tons) M P O R T S TOTAL EXPORTS U.S. G.B. Prince Edward Island -Anthracite Bituminous Nova Scotia -4,874 5,226 352 Anthracite 2,218 2,913 2,913 Bituminous 673,586 New Brunswick -1,378 4,152 5,530 Anthracite 2,354 2,354 8,908 34,318 Bituminous Quebec -188,319 (x)272,860Anthracite 56.342 . . . 32,471 9,286 5,579 Bituminous 26,892 . . . Central Ontario -Anthracite 263,300 34,440 297,740 156,568 156,568 Bituminous Manitoba and Head of Lakes -236 Anthracite 236 . . . 16,928 16,928 Bituminous 86 Lignite Saskatchewan -Anthracite 5 Bituminous 89 15 Lignite 21,082 89 Alberta -Anthracite 27 Bituminous 189,988 Sub-bituminous 36,841 46,733 16 Lignite British Columbia -Anthracite 9,714 Bituminous 121,885 214 214 1 80 80 Lignite Yukon -Bituminous CANADA -(a) MAY, 1939 -231,785 (x)581.592Anthracite 321,608 . . . 1,019,777 8,492 202,956 211,448 Bituminous 30,158 Sub-bituminous 36,841 172 172 Lignite 67,815 118 1,124,433 524,736 240,277 (x)793,21230,276 (x)1,342,233MAY, 1938 1.021,360 1,104,774 174,041 (b) FIVE MONTHS ending MAY 31, 1939 -997,254 276,587 (x)1,305,035Anthracite 4,153,975 1,148,926 38,872 (x)1,187,818142,610 Bituminous Sub-bituminous 218,145 1,442 1,319,221 1,442 3,247 Lignite TOTAL 5,691,341 315,459 2,147,622 (x)2,494,295FIVE MONTHS ending MAY 31st, 1938 5,983,138 3,012,019 274,263 (x) 3,359,987 139,502

⁽x) Includes coal imported from other countries.

IMPORTS OF COAL FROM COUNTRIES OTHER THAN THE UNITED STATES AND GREAT BRITAIN, 1939.

(Short tons)							
Anthracite fr Into Nova	om Germany Into	Bituminous from Norway					
Scotia	Quebec	Into Quebec					
755	• • •	20					
• • •		•••					
2,240	• • •	• • •					
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• • •	28,199						
	Anthracite fr Into Nova Scotia 755 2,240	Anthracite from Germany Into Nova Into Scotia Quebec 755 2,240					

COKE - MAY, 1939.

Production of coke in Canada amounted to 184,630 tons in May compared with 183,443 tons made in the previous month and 207,712 tons in May, 1938. The improvement over April was accounted for by the tonnage in the eastern provinces going to 69,439 from 60,873 and in the western provinces to 19,368 from 17,763 while output in Ontario dropped to 95,823 tons from 104,807 tons.

Coke oven charges for the month included 97,555 tons of Canadian coal and 174,371 tons of imported coal to make a total consumption for the first five months of this year of 419,557 tons of Canadian coal and 892,652 tons of imported coal. From these charges a total of 934,823 tons of coke was produced compared with a corresponding total of 1,056,948 tons for the five months ending May, 1938.

Included in this month's output were 10,442 tons of breeze of which 2,748 tons were sold. In the eastern provinces, 5,031 tons were made and 1,483 tons sold; in Ontario, 4,600 tons were made and 1,030 tons sold, and in the west, 811 tons were produced and 235 tons sold.

COKE STATISTICS FOR CANADA, BY MONTHS, 1939.

Lyk	Bituminous coal used in coke making			COND	USED		on of coke by make		FS	
Month	Cana- dian	Im- ported	TOTAL	COKE	In coke or gas plants	In makers' smelters	For do- mestic use	For other uses	TOTAL	
Jan	83,259	193,672	276,931	202,428	19,947	48,634	132,508	35,006	236,095	
Feb	75,357	169,053	244,410	176,537	18,845	43,346	127,852	26,268	216,311	
March.	79,446	182,308	261,754	187,785	19,970	51,998	114,565	28,863	215,396	
April.	83,940	173,248	257,188	183,443	18,224	54,577	67,278	26,816	166,895	
May	97,555	174,371	271,926	184,630	18,463	64,408	40,591	32,914	156,376	
TOTAL.	419,557	892,652	1,312,209	934,823	95,449	262,963	482,794	149,867	991,073	

SALES OF MANUFACTURED GAS IN CANADA - JANUARY to APRIL, 1938 and 1939. Month 1938 1939

	1938	1939
January	1,372,073	1,350,650
February	1,222,151	1,219,670
March	1,298,542	1,270,474
April	1,250,558	1,324,489
TOTAL	5,143,324	5,165,283

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PRODUCTION IN CANADA, IMPORTS AND EXPORTS OF COKE, BY PROVINCES, for MAY, 1938 and 1939. (Exclusive of Petroleum Coke)

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		unswick	Onta	ario	Saska Albe	atchewan rta and	CA	NADA
	and Q	Year to	Year to		Br. Columbia Year to			Year to
	May	date		date	May	date		date
PRODUCTION - 1938	,	352,765 301,568		606,348 537,261		97,835 95,994		1,056,948 934,823
IMPORTS - 1938	346 449	6,643 1,828	,	122,671 104,128		5,181 5,556	41,710 31,129	· ·
EXPORTS - 1938	36	66	• • •	000	-	14,454 12,578	2,281 1,963	14,520 12,758
AVAILABLE FOR CONSUMPTION - 1938	,	359,342 303,216			*	88,562 88,972		1,176,923 1,033,577

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 of the Trade of Canada shows clearances from customs for consumption in Canada.

PRODUCTION OF COKE IN CANADA, BY MONTHS, 1933-1939.

(in thousands of short tons)

Month	1933	1934	1935	1936	1937	1938	1939
Т	3.50	305	000	01.0	010	004	000
January	150	195	200	212	218	224	202
February	128	169	181	198	198	199	177
March	139	192	198	202	221	218	188
April	122	186		190	214	208	183
May	134	185	185	200	218	208	185
TOTAL - FIVE MONTHS	673	927	944	1,002	1,069	1,057	935
June	136	179	180	199	210	192	
July	145	184	176	193	212	183	
August	150	189	175	191	214	182	
September	156	188	180	189	208	184	
October	173	204	205	212	218	184	
November	174	199	206	208	217	180	
December	165	173	192	218	222	194	
TOTAL FOR YEAR	1,772	2,243	2,258	2,412	2,570	2,356	