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FOREWORD.

During the past six years the Bureau has published comprehensive monthly reports on coal statistics, and for the past three years, on both coal and coke statistics. These reports have been issued on the fifteenth of the second following month. To expedite this service, it has been decided to restrict the monthly bulletin to a record of output, imports and exports data compiled by provinces and by kinds of coal. It is thought such a report based on preliminary output figures can be issued about the middle of the next following month, or about a month earlier for each issue than was ever possible in previous years.

A new quarterly report on the same lines as the previous printed monthly report will be issued. In it there will be given data for each month during the quarter, arranged as in the monthly report issued heretofore. Outputs by districts, imports and exports by customs' ports, employment, tonnage lost, etc., will be shown for each month and for the quarter.

It is hoped the earlier publication of the monthly report and the printing of the quarterly report will be found to be a very considerable improvement in practice. An appreciable saving in the cost of printing will also be effected by making this change.

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COAL

January 1928

Production of coal from Canadian mines in January, 1928, amounted to 1,683,476 short tons, as against 1,866,715 tons in December, 1927. Although the tonnage was thus slightly less than in the preceding month, the output was greater than in the month of January, 1927 or 1926.

While the outputs of bituminous coal from New Brunswick and Alberta mines were greater in January than in December the tonnages from the mines of Nova Scotia, Saskatchewan, British Columbia, and from the lignite mines of Alberta, were in all cases slightly below the totals for December.

Imports of coal into Canada during the month, amounting to 1,009,382 tons, included 6,083 tons of anthracite from Great Britain, all imported into New Brunswick and Quebec; 234,703 tons of anthracite, 1,864, tons of lignite and 766,732 tons of bituminous coal, or 1,003,299 tons in all, from the United States.

Imports into central Canada, (Quebec and central Ontario) during the month included 234,173 tons of anthracite coal and 736,664 tons of bituminous coal.

Exports of Canadian coal amounted to 88,910 tons, comprising 40,800 tons from the eastern maritime provinces, and 48,110 tons from western mines.

Coal made available for use in Canada during January amounted to 2,603,948 tons including 240,786 tons of imported anthracite, 766,732 tons of bituminous coal from the United States and 894,525 tons from Canadian mines; 1,864 tons of United States lignite and 600,104 tons of Canadian lignite; and 99,937 tons of sub-bituminous coal from Canadian mines.

COAL STATISTICS FOR CANADA, DECEMBER, 1927. (Short Tons)

	Output	IMPORTS		Total X	Exports
		U.S.	G.B.		
Prince Edward Island -					
Anthracite	-	-	-	-	-
Bituminous	-	1,191	-	1,191	-
Nova Scotia -					
Anthracite	-	3,746	8,453	9,199	-
Bituminous	587,749	-	-	-	70,690
New Brunswick -					
Anthracite	-	5,972	2,190	8,162	-
Bituminous	16,698	5,739	-	5,739	1,262
Quebec -					
Anthracite	-	81,404	32,387	113,791	-
Bituminous	-	72,609	879	73,488	-
Central Ontario -					
Anthracite	-	161,290	-	161,290	-
Bituminous	-	763,338	-	763,338	-
Manitoba & Head of Lakes (Ont.)					
Anthracite	-	20,413	-	20,413	-
Bituminous	-	55,096	-	55,096	1,202
Saskatchewan -					
Anthracite	-	163	-	163	-
Bituminous	-	44	-	44	780
Lignite	73,722	-	-	-	-
Alberta -					
Anthracite	-	-	-	-	-
Bituminous	230,149	35	-	35	-
Sub-bituminous	75,138	-	-	-	-
Lignite	602,505	-	-	-	-
British Columbia -					
Anthracite	-	-	-	-	-
Bituminous	280,954	1,300	-	1,300	45,376
Lignite	-	2,088	-	2,088	-
CANADA - (a) Dec. 1927 -					
Anthracite	-	272,988	40,030	313,018	-
Bituminous	1,115,830	899,352	879	900,231	119,310
Sub-bituminous	75,138	-	-	-	-
Lignite	676,037	2,088	-	2,088	-
Total	1,866,715	1,174,428	40,909	1,215,337	119,310
(b) Year ended Dec. 1927					
Anthracite	-	3,265,411	788,235	4,063,619	-
Bituminous	12,996,564	15,038,008	140,309	15,178,640	1,113,330
Sub-bituminous	594,497	-	-	-	-
Lignite	3,820,444	10,829	-	10,829	-
Total	17,411,505	18,314,248	928,544	19,253,088	1,113,330

X Includes coal imported from other countries.

COAL STATISTICS FOR CANADA, JANUARY, 1928. (Short Tons)

	OUTPUT	I M P O R T S			EXPORTS
		U.S.	G.B.	Total X	
Prince Edward Island -					
Anthracite.....	-	-	-	-	-
Bituminous.....	-	-	-	-	-
Nova Scotia -					
Anthracite.....	-	1,504	-	1,504	-
Bituminous.....	447,742	1,703	-	1,703	37,750
New Brunswick -					
Anthracite.....	-	1,903	1,553	3,456	-
Bituminous.....	17,451	2,441	-	2,441	3,050
Quebec -					
Anthracite.....	-	50,594	4,530	55,124	-
Bituminous.....	-	48,361	-	48,361	-
Central Ontario -					
Anthracite.....	-	179,049	-	179,049	-
Bituminous.....	-	688,303	-	688,303	-
Manitoba & Head of Lakes (Ont.)					
Anthracite.....	-	1,605	-	1,605	-
Bituminous.....	-	24,721	-	24,721	622
Saskatchewan -					
Anthracite.....	-	48	-	48	-
Bituminous.....	-	74	-	74	497
Lignite.....	58,908	30	-	30	-
Alberta -					
Anthracite.....	-	-	-	-	-
Bituminous.....	262,006	53	-	53	100
Sub-bituminous.....	99,937	-	-	-	-
Lignite.....	541,196	1,834	-	1,834	-
British Columbia -					
Anthracite.....	-	-	-	-	-
Bituminous.....	256,236	1,076	-	1,076	46,891
Lignite.....	-	-	-	-	-
CANADA -					
Anthracite.....	-	234,703	6,083	240,786	-
Bituminous.....	983,435	766,732	-	766,732	88,910
Sub-bituminous.....	99,937	-	-	-	-
Lignite.....	600,104	1,864	-	1,864	-
Total	1,683,476	1,003,299	6,083	1,009,382	88,910

X Includes coal imported from other countries.

COKE

Production of coke in Canada during January totalled 179,113 tons which was the record output for any month since the Bureau commenced the collection of monthly figures for this industry in 1925. Tonnage for January slightly exceeded the December output of 176,845 tons and was over 1 per cent above the figure of 176,445 tons produced in the corresponding month of a year ago; production in January, 1926, amounted to 155,700 tons.

As compared with December records, there was a decline in production from ovens in the eastern and western provinces but this loss was offset by a larger output from plants in Ontario. In the eastern provinces production dropped to 48,263 tons from 49,772 tons; in the western provinces to 17,060 tons from 18,764 tons, while in Ontario, tonnage rose to 113,790 tons from 108,309 tons.

Reports on the disposition of coke by the makers showed that 21,021 tons were used in the producing companies' coking plants, 84,364 tons were delivered to associated metallurgical works, and 89,906 tons were sold, making a total disposition of 195,291 tons. In December, 1927, the total disposition was slightly higher at 199,166 tons due to greater consumption in coke plants and associated smelters.

Charges to coke ovens during the month included 79,476 tons of Canadian coal and 177,360 tons of imported coal, a total of 256,836 tons of bituminous coal.

Imports of coke into Canada during January totalled 71,210 tons which with the Canadian production of 179,113 tons made an available supply of 250,323 tons, but as 3,802 tons were exported during the month, the apparent consumption of coke in Canada during January was 246,521 tons.

Coke charged to iron blast furnaces during January amounted to 74,408 tons as compared with 59,560 tons in the corresponding month of last year.

COKE PRODUCTION IN CANADA BY MONTHS, 1928

Month	Bituminous coal used for coke making			Coke made	Disposition of coke by makers			
	Canadian	Imported	Total		For use by maker		Sold	Total
					In Coke Plant	In own Smelter		
Jan.	79,476	177,360	256,836	179,113	21,021	84,364	89,906	195,291
Feb.								
March								
April								
May								
June								
July								
Aug.								
Sept.								
Oct.								
Nov.								
Dec.								
TOTAL	79,476	177,360	256,836	179,113	21,021	84,364	89,906	195,291

Coke used in iron blast furnaces: 74,408 tons during January 1928

PRODUCTION IN CANADA, IMPORTS AND EXPORTS OF COKE BY PROVINCES, 1927 & 1928

	Year	Nova Scotia New Brunswick and Quebec	Ontario	Manitoba Saskatchewan Alberta and British Columbia	CANADA
		January	January	January	January
PRODUCTION	1927	46,607	111,621	18,217	176,445
	1928	48,263	113,790	17,060	179,113
IMPORTS	1927	4,380	51,333	560	56,273
	1928	5,014	64,375	1,821	71,210
EXPORTS	1927	96	13,226	1,795	15,117
	1928	36	1,476	2,290	3,802
APPARENT CONSUMPTION	1927	50,891	149,728	16,982	217,601
	1928	53,241	176,689	16,591	246,521



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