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COAL.

AUGUST 1928

Coal production in Canada during August was 17.2 per cent higher than in July and 29 per cent greater than the average for the month in the five preceding years. For the first eight months of the calendar year 1928 the output was 17 per cent in advance of the average for the period in the five preceding years. The output for the month was 1,535,065 short tons including 1,247,091 tons of bituminous coal, 65,837 tons of sub-bituminous coal, and 222,137 tons of lignite coal. Nova Scotia produced 665,639 tons; New Brunswick, 16,178 tons; Saskatchewan's output amounted to 21,328 tons; Alberta produced 605,055 tons, including 338,409 tons of bituminous coal, 65,837 tons of sub-bituminous coal and 200,809 tons of lignite coal; and British Columbia's output was 226,865 tons.

All provinces showed increases in production over the preceding month. Nova Scotia gained 10 per cent; New Brunswick mined 9 per cent more coal; Saskatchewan's increase was 30 per cent; Alberta's output was 26.8 per cent in advance of the previous month; and British Columbia showed a gain of 15 per cent.

Imports of coal into Canada during August amounted to 2,009,525 tons including 1,904,542 tons from the United States and 104,983 tons from Great Britain. By kinds of coal the imports were, anthracite, 324,456 tons; bituminous, 1,684,596 tons; and lignite 473 tons. Imports in July totalled 1,494,061 tons.

Exports of coal in August amounted to 72,513 tons comprising 35,251 tons through the ports of the eastern provinces and 37,262 tons from the western provinces.

Coal made available for use in Canada during August amounted to 3,472,077 tons, comprising 2,859,896 tons of bituminous coal; 324,456 tons of anthracite coal, 65,837 tons of sub-bituminous coal, and 221,888 tons of lignite coal. Classified according to origin the tonnage of coal made available for consumption was divided as follows: from Canadian mines, 1,175,300 tons of bituminous; 65,837 tons of sub-bituminous; 221,415 tons of lignite; from the United States, 1,668,021 tons of bituminous; 236,048 tons of anthracite and 473 tons of lignite; from Great Britain, 16,575 tons of bituminous and 88,408 tons of anthracite.

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

	OUTPUT	I M P O R T S			EXPORTS
		U.S.	G.B.	Total X	
Prince Edward Is. -					
Anthracite.....	-	-	-	-	-
Bituminous.....	-	-	-	-	-
Nova Scotia -					
Anthracite.....	-	2,511	6,191	8,702	-
Bituminous.....	665,639	2,247	24	2,271	34,850
New Brunswick -					
Anthracite.....	-	1,800	1,715	3,515	-
Bituminous.....	16,178	1,278	-	1,278	396
Quebec -					
Anthracite.....	-	74,789	80,502	155,291	-
Bituminous.....	-	161,294	16,551	177,845	5
Central Ontario -					
Anthracite.....	-	148,411	-	148,411	-
Bituminous.....	-	1,160,754	-	1,160,754	-
Man. & Hd. of Lakes					
Anthracite.....	-	8,537	-	8,537	-
Bituminous.....	-	340,392	-	340,392	*33
Saskatchewan -					
Anthracite.....	-	-	-	-	-
Bituminous.....	-	301	-	301	-
Lignite.....	21,328	-	-	-	195
Alberta -					
Anthracite.....	-	-	-	-	-
Bituminous.....	338,409	115	-	115	12
Sub-bituminous.....	65,837	-	-	-	-
Lignite.....	200,809	-	-	-	69
British Columbia -					
Anthracite.....	-	-	-	-	-
Bituminous.....	226,865	1,640	-	1,640	36,528
Lignite.....	-	473	-	473	425
CANADA -					
(a) August, 1928 -					
Anthracite.....	-	236,048	88,408	324,456	-
Bituminous.....	1,247,091	1,668,021	16,575	1,684,596	71,791
Sub-bituminous.....	65,837	-	-	-	-
Lignite.....	222,137	473	-	473	722
Total.....	1,535,065	1,904,542	104,983	2,009,525	72,513
(b) 8 Months ending					
August, 1928 -					
Anthracite.....	-	1,801,796	267,812	2,069,609	-
Bituminous.....	8,721,427	7,995,646	66,759	8,062,405	495,822
Sub-bituminous.....	455,697	-	-	-	-
Lignite.....	1,915,444	5,687	-	5,687	12,903
Total.....	11,092,568	9,803,129	334,571	10,137,701	508,725

X Includes coal imported from other countries.

* Lignite.

COKE

Production of coke in Canada during August totalled 191,284 tons which was 4 per cent under the output of 200,016 tons in the previous month but 12 per cent above the total of 171,525 tons in August of a year ago. Compared with data for the previous month, August figures showed that in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Quebec production fell off to 59,593 tons from 60,651 tons; in Ontario, the output declined to 118,223 tons from 126,786 tons; but in the western provinces the tonnage was increased to 13,468 tons from 12,579 tons. Coke breeze included in the above figures amounted to 13,247 tons of which 4,678 tons were produced in the eastern provinces, 7,523 tons in Ontario and 1,046 tons in western ovens.

Statements on the disposition of coke by the makers showed that shipments to the producing companies' associated smelters declined to 99,710 tons in August from 109,809 tons in July; consumption in coke plants was 18,748 tons as compared with 18,546 tons, and coke sales showed a seasonal gain to 52,256 tons from 40,436 tons in the next preceding month. Sales of breeze included in the above figures totalled 4,227 tons of which 1,081 tons were sold by producers in the eastern provinces, 2,596 tons from units in Ontario and 550 tons from western plants.

Charges to coke ovens during the month included 68,380 tons of Canadian coal and 200,609 tons of imported coal or a total of 268,989 tons of bituminous coal. For the eight months ending August 31, 1926, a total of 2,069,471 tons of bituminous coal were carbonized to produce 1,486,491 tons of coke.

Customs records show that 82,889 tons of coke were imported into Canada during August which with the Canadian production of 191,284 tons made an available supply of 274,173 tons but as 1,603 tons were exported the apparent consumption of coke in Canada during August was 272,570 tons. For the first eight months of the year the apparent consumption, thus computed, was 2,082,197 tons.

Coke charged to iron blast furnaces in August amounted to 95,998 tons, to make a total of 709,103 tons for the year to date.

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	182,032	21,021	84,364	89,906	195,291
Feb.	71,791	160,896	232,687	169,245	19,041	90,670	69,691	179,402
March	77,553	173,956	251,509	182,394	20,026	88,634	78,900	187,560
April	73,741	169,690	243,431	174,213	21,040	95,637	54,057	170,734
May	73,620	191,942	265,562	192,645	24,669	122,691	31,531	178,891
June	68,809	202,285	271,094	194,662	17,104	118,624	33,112	168,840
July	67,569	211,794	279,363	200,016	18,546	109,809	40,436	168,791
Aug.	68,380	200,609	268,989	191,284	18,748	99,710	52,256	170,714
Sept.								
Oct.								
Nov.								
Dec.								
TOTAL	530,939	1,488,532	2,069,471	1,486,491	160,199	810,139	449,889	1,420,227

Coke used in iron blast furnaces: Month 95,998 tons; Year to date 709,103 tons.

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	
		Month	Year to date	Month	Year to date	Month	Year to date	Month	Year to date
PRODUCTION	1927	45,391	372,902	108,966	849,245	17,168	142,956	171,525	1,365,103
	1928	59,593	420,196	118,223	947,294	13,468	119,001	191,284	1,486,491
IMPORTS	1927	15,673	71,255	55,882	389,582	1,268	15,487	72,823	476,324
	1928	2,880	64,386	77,892	537,684	2,117	11,129	82,889	613,199
EXPORTS	1927	427	1,818	3,264	38,286	1,837	17,022	5,528	57,126
	1928	149	557	236	5,548	1,218	11,388	1,603	17,493
APPARENT CONSUMPTION	1927	60,637	442,339	161,584	1,200,541	16,599	141,421	238,820	1,784,301
	1928	62,324	484,025	195,879	1,479,430	14,367	118,742	272,570	2,082,197

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