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COAL

MAY 1929

Coal production in Canada during May was slightly less than in April, but 36 per cent more than the average for the month in the five preceding years. The output for the month was 1,388,465 short tons including 1,220,927 tons of bituminous coal, 38,914 tons of sub-bituminous coal, and 128,624 tons of lignite coal. Nova Scotia produced 623,610 tons; New Brunswick, 15,693 tons; Saskatchewan's output amounted to 29,954 tons; Alberta produced 512,802 tons including 375,218 tons of bituminous coal, 38,914 tons of sub-bituminous coal and 98,670 tons of lignite coal; and British Columbia's output was 206,406 tons.

All coal producing provinces except Nova Scotia showed decreases in production as compared with the preceding month.

Imports of coal into Canada during May amounted to 1,565,833 tons including 1,477,528 tons from United States and 88,305 tons from Great Britain. By kinds of coal the imports were, anthracite, 292,263 tons; bituminous, 1,272,999 tons; and lignite, 571 tons. Imports in April, 1929, totalled 734,619 tons.

Exports of coal in May amounted to 62,436 tons comprising 23,950 tons through the ports of the eastern provinces and 38,486 tons from the western provinces.

Coal made available for use in Canada during May amounted to 2,891,862 tons, comprising 2,431,608 tons of bituminous coal; 292,263 tons of anthracite coal; 38,914 tons of sub-bituminous coal and 129,077 tons of lignite coal. Classified according to origin the tonnage of coal made available for consumption was divided as follows: from Canadian mines, 1,158,609 tons of bituminous, 38,914 tons of sub-bituminous, 128,506 tons of lignite; from the United States, 220,954 tons of anthracite, 1,256,003 tons of bituminous, and 571 tons of lignite and from Great Britain, 71,309 tons of anthracite and 16,996 tons of bituminous coal.

COAL STATISTICS FOR CANADA, May, 1929. (Short Tons)

	OUTPUT	I M P O R T S			EXPORTS
		U.S.	G.B.	Total	
Prince Edward Is. -					
Anthracite.....	-	-	-	-	-
Bituminous.....	-	4,139	-	4,139	-
Nova Scotia -					
Anthracite.....	-	1,434	3,315	4,749	-
Bituminous.....	623,610	3,262	1,022	4,284	23,361
New Brunswick -					
Anthracite.....	-	4,608	2,694	7,302	-
Bituminous.....	15,693	3,654	-	3,654	559
Quebec -					
Anthracite.....	-	61,991	54,694	116,685	-
Bituminous.....	-	134,759	15,974	150,733	30
Central Ontario -					
Anthracite.....	-	152,599	10,606	163,205	-
Bituminous.....	-	912,047	-	912,047	-
Man. & Hd. of Lakes					
Anthracite.....	-	322	-	322	-
Bituminous.....	-	193,595	-	193,595	*36
Saskatchewan -					
Anthracite.....	-	-	-	-	-
Bituminous.....	-	246	-	246	-
Lignite.....	29,954	-	-	-	-
Alberta -					
Anthracite.....	-	-	-	-	-
Bituminous.....	375,218	249	-	249	23
Sub-bituminous.....	38,914	-	-	-	-
Lignite.....	98,670	-	-	-	40
British Columbia -					
Anthracite.....	-	-	-	-	-
Bituminous.....	206,406	4,052	-	4,052	38,341
Lignite.....	-	571	-	571	46
CANADA -					
(a) May, 1929 -					
Anthracite.....	-	220,954	71,309	292,263	-
Bituminous.....	1,220,927	1,256,003	16,996	1,272,999	62,318
Sub-bituminous.....	38,914	-	-	-	-
Lignite.....	128,624	571	-	571	118
Total	1,388,465	1,477,528	88,305	1,565,833	62,436
(b) 5 Months ending					
May, 1929 -					
Anthracite.....	-	1,159,322	121,806	x 1,293,490	-
Bituminous.....	5,607,584	4,315,707	27,764	x 4,343,506	319,369
Sub-bituminous.....	275,954	-	-	-	-
Lignite.....	1,511,913	7,286	-	7,286	14,840
Total	7,395,451	5,482,315	149,570	x 5,644,282	334,209

x Includes coal imported from other countries.

* " 32 tons Lignite coal.

COKE

According to a statement issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa, the production of coke in Canada was established at a new high level in May when 230,739 tons were produced. This tonnage exceeded by 1 per cent the previous record of 228,118 tons attained in March and was 5 per cent over the total of 220,346 tons for April. In May of a year ago production totalled 192,645 tons.

Compared with the figures for April, data for May showed increases in all producing areas. In the eastern provinces production rose to 73,324 tons from 70,304 tons, in Ontario to 139,745 tons from 134,243 tons, and in the western provinces to 17,670 tons from 15,799 tons.

Statistics on the disposition of coke by the producing plants show a further seasonal decline in coke sales but an increase in the quantity transferred to the associated smelters of the producing companies while the tonnage of coke used in coke plants remained about the same. Coke sales were lower at 59,727 tons as against 64,114 tons in April; deliveries to the producers' associated smelters rose to 118,052 tons from 114,201 tons, and the coke consumed by coke plants amounted to 24,029 tons as compared with 24,098 tons in April.

Coke oven charges during the month included 81,647 tons of Canadian coal and 236,714 tons imported coal or a total of 318,361 tons of bituminous coal. For the first five months of this year 1,518,096 tons of coal were carbonized to produce 1,101,702 tons of coke.

Included in the May production of 230,739 tons were 15,311 tons of breeze. Production of breeze in the eastern provinces amounted to 4,769 tons, in Ontario to 9,343 tons, and in the western provinces to 1,199 tons. Sales of breeze totalled 3,759 tons of which 263 tons were sold by plants in the eastern provinces, 2,765 tons in Ontario and 731 tons in the western provinces.

The apparent consumption of coke in Canada, computed by deducting the exports from the sum of the production and the imports, amounted to 306,665 tons during May when 77,635 tons were imported and 1,709 tons were exported. For the five months ending May, the apparent consumption, thus computed, totalled 1,539,340 tons.

During the month under review 87,139 tons of coke were charged to iron blast furnaces in Canada to make a total of 461,813 tons for the year to date.

COKE PRODUCTION IN CANADA BY MONTHS, 1929

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.	80,811	218,850	299,661	220,798	22,888	96,398	121,657	240,943
Feb.	73,633	205,752	279,385	201,701	20,910	94,294	114,915	230,119
March	82,960	232,169	315,129	228,118	23,598	112,823	80,141	216,562
April	80,138	225,422	305,560	220,346	24,098	114,201	64,114	202,413
May	81,647	236,714	318,361	230,739	24,029	118,052	59,727	201,808
June								
July								
Aug.								
Sept.								
Oct.								
Nov.								
Dec.								

TOTAL 399,189 1,118,907 1,518,096 1,101,702 115,523 535,768 440,554 1,091,845

Coke used in iron blast furnaces: May 87,139 tons; Year to date 461,813 tons.

PRODUCTION IN CANADA, IMPORTS AND EXPORTS OF COKE BY PROVINCES, 1928 & 1929.

	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	1928	50,405	247,323	128,333	574,195	13,907	79,011	192,645	900,529
	1929	73,324	346,009	139,745	674,933	17,670	80,760	230,739	1,101,702
IMPORTS	1928	19,741	39,028	75,482	334,149	383	5,095	95,606	378,272
	1929	6,474	42,519	69,607	395,106	1,554	9,809	77,635	447,434
EXPORTS	1928	2	178	83	5,198	1,558	7,423	1,643	12,799
	1929	-	271	49	1,696	1,660	7,829	1,709	9,796
APPARENT CONSUMPTION	1928	70,144	286,173	203,732	903,146	12,732	76,683	286,608	1,266,002
	1929	79,798	388,227	209,303	1,068,343	17,564	82,740	305,665	1,539,340

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