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#### COAL

#### FEBRUARY 1932

Canadian coal producers reported an output of 1,188,349 tons of coal during February; an increase of 23.4 per cent over the February, 1931 production of 962,710 tons, but a decline of 9.9 per cent from the average for the month during the past five years. The February output included 720,431 tons of bituminous coal, 47,718 tons of sub-bituminous coal and 420,200 tons of lignite coal. Alberta's production reached a total of 537,025 tons as against 503,159 tons produced in the preceding month, and 336,502 tons in February, 1931. Nova Scotia's output was 349,830 tons, a decline of 13.4 per cent from the total for the corresponding month of last year. Compared with February, a year ago the British Columbia production of 174,027 tons showed an increase of 18.8 per cent; Saskatchewan's output of 108,435 tons recorded a 99.1 per cent advance; on the other hand, the New Brunswick production of 19,032 tons was 10.3 per cent lower.

Imports of coal into Canada recorded a further decline to 508,696 tons or 50.9 per cent below the February 1927-1931 average of 1,036,327 tons. Receipts of anthracite coal consisted of 119,495 tons from the U.S., 8,916 tons from Great Britain and 650 tons from Belgium. Importations of bituminous coal totalied 378,848 tons, of which tonnage the United States supplied 99.3 per cent and Great Britain the remainder. Lignite imports amounted to 787 tons cleared through British Columbia ports.

Exports of coal from Canada were recorded at 26,948 tons or 24.5 per cent above the February, 1931 total but a decline of 54.1 per cent from the 1927-1931 average for the month of 58,722 tons. Approximately 72 per cent of the month's exports were cleared through Customs' ports in Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia, the remainder was shipped through Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Ontario ports.

Canada's coal supply in February was 1,670,097 tons, a decrease of 27.3 per cent from the average for the month during the past five years of 2,297,176 tons. The February supply was made up of 69.54 per cent from Canadian mines, 29 72 per cent from the United States, 0.70 per cent from Great Britain and 0.04 per cent from Belgium.

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Y	OUTPUT	U.S.	G.B.	Total	EXPORTS
Prince Edward Is					
Anthracite					
Bituminous					
Nova Scotia -		604	_		
Anthracite		7	0.100	- 0 250	
Bituminous	740 070	1	2,107	x 2,758	0 705
New Brunswick -	349,830	_	2,722	2,722	2,385
Anthracite		512	6 000	0 701	
Bituminous			6,809	7,321	E 154
Quebec -	19,002	1,755		1,755	5,154
Anthracite		71 017		71 019	
Bituminous		31,913	-	31,913	
Central Ontario -	I Tom	15,886		15,886	-
		96 610		00.000	
Anthracite Bituminous	Fr Ball of	86,617	THE THE	86,617	
		357,652	-	357,652	2
Man. & Hd. of Lakes -		440		110	
Anthracite		449		449	-
Bituminous		682		682	8
Lignite	_		_		209
Saskatchewan -					
Anthracite	_	-	_		34.4
Bi tuminous	100 475	33	-	33	
Lignite	108,435	-	-	-	135
Alberta -					
Anthracite	100 540	3		3	
Bituminous	177,542	52		52	-
Sub-bituminous	47,718		_	-	_
Lignite	311,765		_	_	77
British Columbia -					
Anthracite	-	-	_	~	-
Bituminous	174,027	66	-	66	15,966
Lignite	_	787		787	3,012
CANADA -					
a) February, 1932 -					
Anthracite	-	119,495	8,916	x 129,061	- :
Bituminous	720,431	376,126	2,722	378,848	23,515
Sub-bituminous	47,718		_	-	
Lignite	420,200	787	_	787	3,433
Total	1,188,349	496,408	11,638	x 508,696	26,948
b) 2 Months ending					
February 29, 1932 -					
Anthracite		261,590	24,819	x 287,059	
Bituminous	1,398,453	847,281	2,722	850,003	55,108
Sub-bituminous	97,387	-	-	-	Hall Frank
Lignite	845,040	1,267	_	1,267	5,857
Total	2,340,880	1,110,138	27,541	x 1,138,329	60,965

x Includes coal imported from Belgium.

### COKE

Production of 143,915 short tons of coke in Canada during the 29 days of February was 5 per cent under the total of 151,111 tons in January but the rate of output at 4,963 tons a day represented a slight increase over the January level of 4,865 tons per diem.

Compared with the previous month, the February production figures showed a drop in Ontario with little change in the eastern and western areas. In Ontario the tonnage dropped to 96,654 tons from 103,798 tons while in the eastern provinces it amounted to 32,847 tons as against 32,844 tons and in the western provinces was reported at 14,414 tons as compared with 14,469 tons in the next preceding month.

Output for February included 19,962 tons of breeze of which 3,903 tons were produced in eastern ovens, 15,091 tons in Ontario and 968 tons in the west. Sales of breeze totalled 8,985 tons including 1,823 tons by eastern producers, 6,193 tons by Ontario and 969 tons by western ovens.

Coke oven charges during the month included 39,296 tons of Canadian coal and 153,061 tons of imported coal, or a total of 192,357 tons of bituminous coal. For the two months ending February 29, 1932, a total of 395,156 tons of coal were carbonized in Canada to produce 295,026 tons of coke.

PRODUCTION OF COKE IN CANADA, BY MONTHS, 1925-1932.
(In 1000's of Short Tons.)

Month	1925	1926	1927	1928	1929	1930	1931	1932
January	101	156	177	182	221	225	171	151
February	103	166	158	169	202	204	165	144
March	139	152	172	182	228	224	179	
April	132	149	170	174	220	213	169	
May	130	159	174	193	231	210	169	
June	110	152	166	195	221	193	155	
July	89	158	159	200	225	182	139	
August	95	166	169	191	227	182	132	
September	103	166	150	194	220	170	126	
October	161	174	152	210	233	185	140	
November	156	154	157	205	224	185	144	
December	228	275	222	219	226	213	147	
TOTAL	1,547	2,027	2,026	2,3.4	2,678	2,386	1,836	295
Monthly Average	129	167	169	193	223	199	153	148

## COKE PRODUCTION IN CANADA BY MONTHS, 1932.

7	Bituminous coal used for coke making			Coke	Disposition of coke by makers					
Month					Used in		Sold to	Sold for	motol	
	Canadian	Imported	Total	made	Makers' Coke Plant		Other Smelters	Domestic use etc.	Total	
Jan. Feb. March April May June July Aug. Sept. Oct. ov. Dec.	34,251 39,296	168,548 153,061		*151.111	22.905 21,903	24,687 26,773		119,161	175,555	

TOTAL 73,547 321,609 395,156 295,026 44,808 51,460 17,703 258,608 372,579

Coke used in iron blast furnaces: February, 10,219 tons: Year to date, 21,269 tons.

PRODUCTION IN CANADA, IMPORTS AND EXPORTS OF COKE BY PROVINCES, 1931 & 1932.

	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	1931	48,592 32,847	102,122 65,691	98,156 96,654	197,544	18,507 14,414	36,474 28,883	165,255 143,915	336,140 295,026
IMPORTS	1931	2,616 1,858	4,60 <b>7</b> 2,031	71,273 28,340	144,562 50,558	678 336	2,017	74,567 30,534	151,186 53,083
EXPORTS	1931	82 6	145 54	30	63	2,526 1,294	4,621 2,443	2,638	4,829 2,497
APPARENT CONSUMPTION	1931 1932	51,126 34,699	106.584 67,668	169,399 124,994	342,043 251,010	16,659 13,456	33,870 26,934	237.134 173,149	482.497 345,612

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