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MAY, 1932.

The Canadian production of coal during May amounted to 672,441 tons, a decrease of 44.1 per cent from the average for the month during the past five years of 1,202,348 tons. Bituminous coal output in May totalled 573,147 tons, sub-bituminous coal, 29,515 tons, and lignite coal, 69,779 tons.

Nova Scotia mines produced 314,317 tons as compared with 469,827 tons in May, 1931. Alberta's output during May was 194,247 tons or 29.8 per cent below the total for the corresponding month of 1931. This decline was due mainly to strikes in the Crowsnest bituminous field, involving 1,255 men with a loss in working time during May of 29,505 man-days. In this field, two strikes, one at Blairmore and the other at Bellevue, commenced on the 23rd and 24th of February, respectively, and are still in progress. Strikes also occurred at two mines at Coleman, commencing about March 18th and terminating on May 26th. British Columbia's production of 130,821 tons was only slightly below the May, 1931 output. A 43.2 per cent increase was shown in the tonnage of coal mined in New Brunswick; the month's output was 16,600 tons as against 11,590 tons a year ago. Saskatchewan mines produced 16,456 tons, a 26.1 per cent falling-off from the total for the corresponding month of 1931.

Coal importations into Canada totalled 1,039,887 tons, a decline of 27.5 per cent from the May, 1927-1931 average of 1,433,349 tons. Receipts of anthracite coal in May were recorded at 321,769 tons, consisting of 170,967 tons from Great Britain and 150,802 tons from the United States. Bituminous coal imports were made up of 664,478 tons from the United States and 53,605 tons from Great Britain. Imports of lignite coal in May amounted to 35 tons.

Exports of Canadian coal declined 65.8 per cent to 18,269 tons as compared with the five year average for May of 53,425 tons.

Coal made available for consumption in Canada totalled 1,694,059 tons, or 34.4 per cent below the 1927-1931 average for the month of 2,582,272 tons. The month's supply was drawn from the following sources: the United States, 48.1 per cent; Canadian mines, 38.6 per cent; and Great Britain, 13.3 per cent.

COAL STATISTICS FOR CANADA, MAY 1932. (Short tons)

	OUTPUT	I U.S.	M G.B.	P TOTAL	O R T S	EXPORTS
Prince Edward Island -						
Anthracite .....	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bituminous .....	...	3,684	...	3,684	...	...
Nova Scotia -						
Anthracite .....	...	1,363	2,796	4,159	...	...
Bituminous	314,317	...	6,573	6,573	6,133	...
New Brunswick -						
Anthracite .....	...	4,231	346	4,577	...	...
Bituminous	16,600	1,250	...	1,250	4,494	...
Quebec -						
Anthracite .....	...	45,375	167,825	213,200	...	...
Bituminous .....	...	62,495	47,032	109,527	...	...
Central Ontario -						
Anthracite .....	...	99,428	...	99,428	...	...
Bituminous .....	...	586,860	...	586,860	...	...
Manitoba and Head of Lakes -						
Anthracite .....	...	405	...	405	...	...
Bituminous .....	...	9,521	...	9,521	1	...
Lignite .....	...	...	...	...	...	...
Saskatchewan -						
Anthracite .....	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bituminous .....	...	341	...	341	...	...
Lignite	16,456	...	...	...	108	...
Alberta -						
Anthracite .....	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bituminous	111,409	137	...	137	8	...
Sub-bituminous	29,515	...	...	...	...	...
Lignite	53,323	...	...	...	5	...
British Columbia -						
Anthracite .....	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bituminous	130,821	190	...	190	7,520	...
Lignite .....	...	35	...	35	...	...
CANADA -						
(a) MAY, 1932 -						
Anthracite .....	...	150,802	170,967	321,769	...	...
Bituminous	573,147	664,478	53,605	718,083	18,156	...
Sub-bituminous	29,515	...	...	...	...	...
Lignite	69,779	35	...	35	113	...
T O T A L	672,441	815,315	224,572	1,039,887	18,269	...
(b) FIVE MONTHS ENDING MAY 31, 1932 -						
Anthracite .....	...	748,542	260,918 (x)	1,010,110	...	...
Bituminous	3,263,637	2,353,265	67,185	2,420,450	110,690	...
Sub-bituminous	222,037	...	...	...	...	...
Lignite	1,385,110	1,576	...	1,576	8,500	...
T O T A L	4,870,784	3,103,383	328,103 (x)	3,432,136	119,190	...

(x) Includes coal imported from Belgium.

Production of by-product and gas house coke in Canada during May at 129,194 short tons was 16 per cent under the 142,606 tons of the previous month and 24 per cent under the total of 169,254 tons made in the corresponding month of a year ago. The figures for May when compared with those of April show that output suffered a further seasonal decline in all producing areas. In the eastern provinces the tonnage fell off to 32,684 tons from 33,228 tons, in Ontario to 83,654 tons from 94,683 tons, and in the western provinces to 12,856 tons from 14,515 tons.

This month's total included 20,941 tons of breeze of which 3,730 tons were made in the eastern provinces, 16,141 tons in Ontario and 1,070 tons in the west. Sales of breeze totalled 8,212 tons including 1,192 tons by eastern ovens, 5,708 tons by Ontario and 1,312 tons by western producers.

Coke oven charges during May included 38,771 tons of Canadian coal and 146,882 tons of imported coal or a total of 185,653 tons of bituminous coal. For the five months ending May of this year 195,764 tons of Canadian and 793,051 tons of imported coal were carbonized in Canada to make 722,934 tons of coke.

COKE PRODUCTION IN CANADA, BY MONTHS, 1932.

Months	Bituminous coal used			COKE MADE	DISPOSITION OF COKE BY MAKERS				
	for coke making		USED IN		Sold in other smelt- ers	Sold for domes- tic use, etc.	TOTAL		
	Can- dian	Import- ed						Makers' coke plants	Makers' smelt- ers
			TOTAL						
January .	34,251	168,548	202,799	151,111	22,905	24,687	8,802	119,161	175,555
February.	39,296	153,061	192,357	143,915	21,903	26,773	8,901	139,447	197,024
March ...	43,330	169,472	212,802	156,108	23,135	36,289	12,011	121,060	192,495
April ...	40,116	155,088	195,204	142,606	21,811	34,075	9,458	64,288	129,632
May	38,771	146,882	185,653	129,194	22,912	28,987	7,736	25,122	84,757
TOTAL ..	195,764	793,051	988,815	722,934	112,666	150,811	46,908	469,078	779,463

Coke used in iron blast furnaces, May, 14,800 tons; Year to date, 71,859 tons.

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

Year	Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Quebec		Ontario		Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia		C A N A D A	
	Month	Year to date	Month	Year to date	Month	Year to date	Month	Year to date
PRODUCTION .. 1931	52,044	260,454	102,538	511,510	14,672	81,653	169,254	853,617
1932	32,684	165,780	83,654	485,552	12,856	71,602	129,194	722,934
IMPORTS 1931	1,445	13,211	100,884	352,128	300	4,136	102,629	369,475
1932	871	3,019	39,875	176,576	814	1,944	41,560	181,539
EXPORTS 1931	5	221	5	96	1,130	9,499	1,140	9,816
1932	1	154	...	...	1,241	7,884	1,242	8,038
APPARENT CONSUMPTION 1931	53,484	273,444	203,417	863,542	13,842	76,290	270,743	1,213,276
1932	33,554	168,645	123,529	662,128	12,429	65,662	169,512	896,435

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

Months	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	156
April	132	149	170	174	220	213	169	143
May	130	159	174	193	231	210	169	129
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	2,314	2,678	2,386	1,836	723
Monthly average	129	167	169	193	223	199	153	145

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