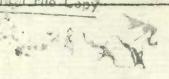
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## MONTHLY REPORT

## COPPER AND NICKEL PRODUCTION IN CANADA - APRIL, 1938.

COPPER - Canadian producers reported an output of 47,750,255 pounds of copper in April, according to a statement just issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa. In March, 48,089,283 pounds were produced while in April, 1937, the output was 41,989,288 pounds. Production during the first four months of 1938 totalled 195,129,628 pounds; a year ago, 159,493,890 pounds were produced. Blister copper output was recorded at 39,175,258 pounds compared with 41,956,487 pounds/anyeariago.

On the London market, copper quotations averaged 9.701 cents per pound in Canadian funds; valued at this price the month's output in Canada was worth \$4,632,252. In March the average price of copper was 9.725 cents per pound and the value of the month's production was \$4,674,226.

Refined copper production of the world was estimated at 162,588 tons in April as against 169,821 tons in the preceding month. Output in the United States declined 5,368 tons in April to 55,749 tons; deliveries to customers and exports of domestic copper amounted to 42,871 tons, therefore, stocks increased 12,878 tons during the month to 355,663 tons. Production in countries other than the United States declined 1.7 per cent to 106,839 tons and stocks at the end of the month were 11,551 tons lower at 185,916 tons.

Exports of refined copper from the United States (foreign and domestic copper) in April rose to 39,366 tons from the March total of 25,094 tons. The April exports were consigned to the following countries: Japan, 16,251 tons; Great Britain, 7,429 tons; Czechoslovakia, 5,023 tons; Germany, 2,501 tons; France, 2,194 tons, and other countries, 5,968 tons.

PRODUCTION OF COPPER IN CANADA

Month	1938(a)	1937(a)	1936
	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds
January	52,454,135	37,282,247	34,303,820
February	46,835,955	38,425,569	32,917,202
March	48,089,283	41,796,786	36,493,444
April	47,750,255	41,989,288	35,500,956
May		41,561,784	35,168,740
June		42,549,292	31,119,359
July		41,710,830	28,693,176
August		44,583,629	35,438,299
September		48,045,881	36,132,454
October		51,853,071	34,644,498
November		50,735,281	37,007,475
December		49,240,080	43,608,309
TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR		529,773,738	421,027,732
TOTAL - FOUR MONTHS ending APRIL .	195,129,628	159,493,890	139,215,422

<sup>(</sup>a) Subject to revision.

	MARCH		APRIL	
	Pounds	Ç	Pounds	Si .
Copper in ore, matte, regulus, etc Copper, blister	13,010,800 2,995,200	910,756 29 <b>9</b> ,582	7,617,200 2,517,000	533,241 251,720
and billets	33,772,300	5,371,734	26,471,700	2,570,368
Copper in rods, strips, sheets, plates and tubing	3,995,200	459,634	2,364,300	260,836

	MARCH		APRIL	
	Pounds	ā	Pounds	S,
Unwrought copper, including rough copper of 94% copper content or over - ELECTROLYTIC -				
From - Northern Rhodesia	2,462,430	48,669 348,136	2,748,480 20,123,640	54,568 397,889
Other British countries United States	497,280 12,035,520 7,235,200	9,171 238,727 144,465	1,050,560 10,120,320 23,457,120	20,150 199,385 447,431
Other Foreign countries	39,583,040	789,168	335,000 57,821,120	6,816 1,126,239
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From - Union of South Africa  Northern Rhodesia	756,960 17,174,080	14,452	273,280 11,547,200	5,323 209,523
Other British countries Chile Other Foreign countries	10,707,200	3 195,633 4,351	17,799,040 201,600	321,397 3,780
TOTAL	28,831,040	525,759	29,821,120	540,027
Plates, sheets, discs, circles and strip	362,880	11,314	457,296	13,218
ods and sections, angles and shapes and wire not in coils -				
From - Canada	1,723,160 8,624		1,631,856 1,453	35,414 176
TOTAL	1,736,784	37,610	1,663,312	35,590
ire in coils (including uninsulated lectric wire)	197,232	5,359	245,616	6,350
all other manufactures of copper not elsewhere specified	717,584	28,920	484,624	17,004

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NICKEL - The Canadian production of nickel in April advanced to 20,469,463 pounds from the preceding month's total of 17,298,398 pounds and the April, 1937, output of 20,266,834 pounds. During the first four months of 1938 the Canadian output totalled 74,047,064 pounds compared with 71,964,212 pounds a year ago.

PRODUCTION OF NICKEL IN CANADA

Month	1938(a)	1937(a)	1936
	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds
January February March April May June July August September October November December	20,270,680 16,008,523 17,298,398 20,469,463	16,173,436 17,330,201 18,193,641 20,266,884 18,462,389 20,959,736 15,792,349 20,662,235 19,022,019 18,491,539 19,733,115 19,695,880	14,082,665 16,185,811 15,699,860 11,042,441 11,840,380 14,100,492 12,596,376 12,379,095 15,905,474 12,769,154 15,087,856 18,049,789
TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR		224,783,522	169,739,393
TOTAL - FOUR MONTHS ending APRIL	74,047,064	71,964,212	57,010,777

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