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COPPER AND NICKEL PRODUCTION

MARCH - 1951

Copper - Production of new primary copper in all forms (recoverable copper content of Canadian ores) during March, 1951, amounted to 24,286 tons compared with 20,301 tons in the previous month, and with 22,234 tons in March, 1950.

Table 1 - Production of Primary (1) Copper, 1949-1951

Month	1949	1950	1951
		(tons)	
January	20,843	21,931	22,792
February	21,578	22,528	20,301
March	21,936	22,234	24,286
Total - Three Months	64,357	66,693	67,379
April	22,588	22,170	
May	21,691	22,265	
June	20,295	20,317	
July	21,494	21,236	
August	22,806	21,250	
September	22,151	20,849	
October	22,311	22,127	
November	22,082	23,315	
December	23,682	22,643	
Total	263,457	262,865	

⁽x) Blister copper plus recoverable copper in concentrates, matte, etc., exported. Newfoundland shipments included in 1949-1951.

Table 2 - Production of Refined Copper, 1949-1951

Month	1949	1 9 5 0(x)	1951
		(tons)	
January	17,476	19,434	20,920
February	16,616	18,599	18,392
March	20,093	21,902	20,614
Total - Three Months	54,185	59,935	59,926
April	19,729	19,487	
May	20,694	21,145	
June	19,727	21,424	
July	17,467	17,661	
August	19,228	19,922	
September	18,019	18,782	
October	18,438	20,832	
November	19,211	19,191	
December	19,385	19,825	
Total	226,083	238,204	

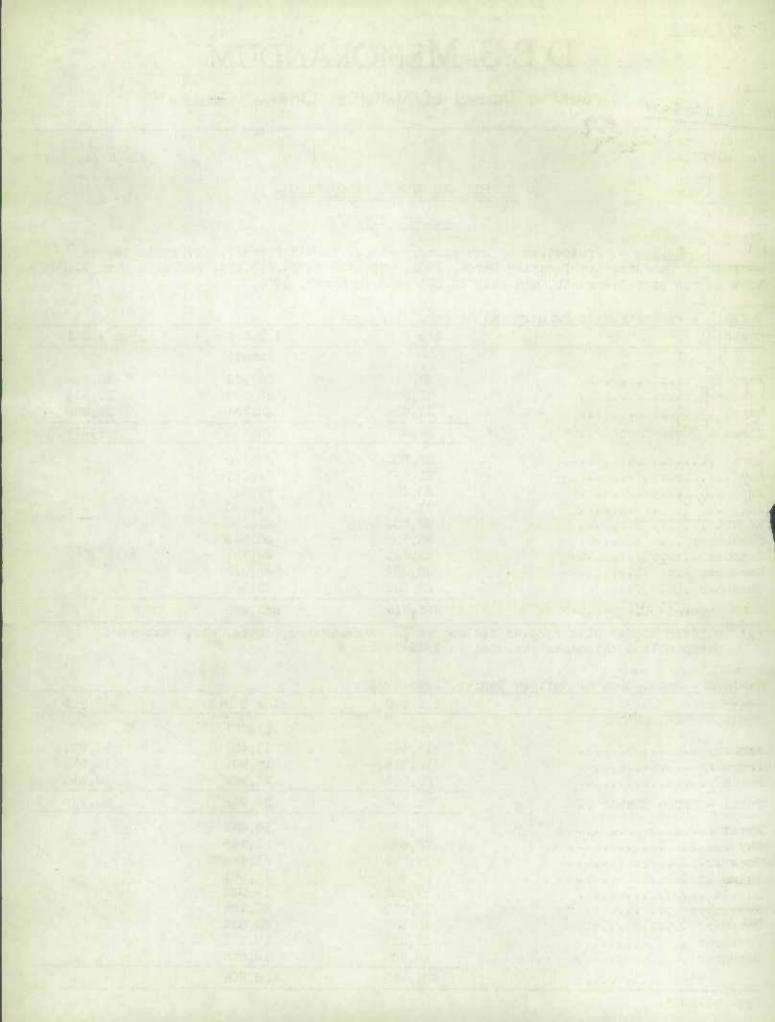


Table 3 - Exports of Copper in Ore, Matte, Ingots, etc., 1951

	In ore, c	oncentrates and	In ingo	ts, bars and	
Month	matte (copper content)		b	billets	
	Tons	\$	Tons	\$	
January	4,115	1,645,460	8,081	4,165,739	
ebruary	2,521	1,008,260	6,600	3,403,567	
March	2,246	898,340	7,388	3,819,881	
Total - Three Months	8,882	3,552,060	22,069	11,389,187	

Table 4 - Consumption of Refined Copper, 1950 and 1951

Month	1950	1951
	(Tor	ns)
January	7,652	9,995
February	7,437	10,581
March	8,373	11,581
Total - Three Months	23,462	32,157
April	7,302	
May	8,838	
June	9,878	
July	4,998	
August	9,171	
September	11,593	
October	10,430	
November	11,294	
December	9,902	
Total	106,868	

Nickel - Production of nickel in all forms in March, 1951, amounted to 11,434 tons, compared with 9,640 tons in the previous month, and with 9,291 tons in March, 1950.

Table 5 - Production of Nickel (x), 1949-1951

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Month	1 9 4 9	1950	1951
		(Tons)	
January	11,279	10,206	10,923
February	10,960	9,575	9,640
March	12,717	9,291	11,434
Total - Three Months	34,956	29,072	31,997
April	11,146	11,192	
May	11,261	10,980	
June	10,675	10,778	
July	9,673	9,344	
August	10,014	7,693	
September	9,616	11,679	
October	10,827	10,310	
November	9,750	11,868	
December	10,771	10,287	
Total	128,689	123,209	

⁽x) Refined nickel and nickel in oxide produced, plus recoverable nickel in matte exported.

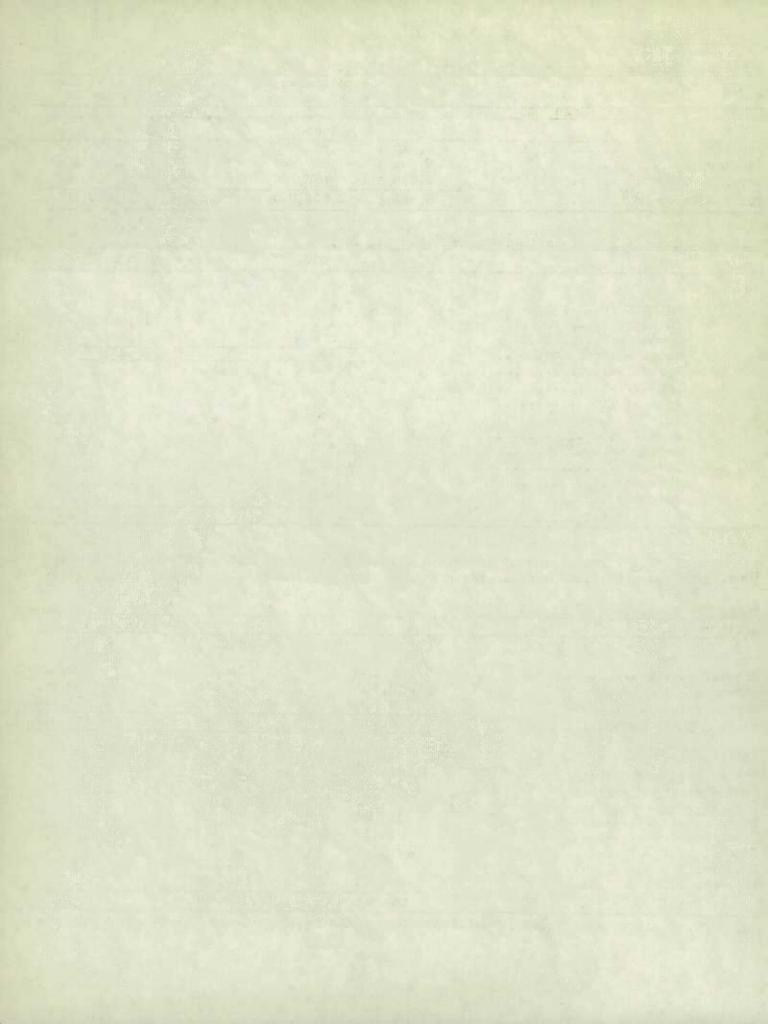


Table 6 - Exports of Nickel (x), 1951

Month	Tons	\$
January	12,206	11,761,190
February	7,905	7,658,627
March	11,193	10,734,536
Total - Three Months	31,304	30,154,353

⁽x) Refined metal and metal in oxides, matte, etc.

