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COPPER AND NICKEL PRODUCTIONMARCH - 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 (★) Copper, 1949-1951

Month	1 9 4 9	1 9 5 0	1 9 5 1
		(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	

(★) 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	1 9 4 9	1 9 5 0 (x)	1 9 5 1
		(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	

(x) Revised.



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

Month	In ore, concentrates and matte (copper content)		In ingots, bars and billets	
	Tons	\$	Tons	\$
January .....	4,115	1,645,460	8,081	4,165,739
February .....	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
	(Tons)	
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 (★), 1949-1951

Month	1949	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	10,316	
November .....	9,750	11,868	
December .....	10,771	10,287	
Total .....	128,689	123,209	

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





Table 6 - Exports of Nickel (★), 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

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

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