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## COPPER AND NICKEL PRODUCTION

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## APRIL - 1951

Copper - Production of new primary copper in all forms (recoverable copper content of Canadian ores) during April, 1951, amounted to 23,853 tons compared with 24,286 tons in the previous month, and with 22,170 tons in April, 1950.

Table 1 - Production of Primary (x) 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
April	22,588	22,170	23,853
Total - Four Months	86,945	88,863	91,232
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	1950(x)	1951
		(tons)	
To nito wee	17,476	19,434	20,920
January		18,599	
Sebruary	16,616		18,392
March	20,093	21,902	20,614
April	19,729	19,487	20,397
Total - Four Months	73,914	79,422	80,323
May	20,694	21,145	
June	19,727	21,424	
Tuly	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

Month	In ore, concentrates and In ingots, bars and matte (copper content) 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
April	3,194	1,277,680	12,336	6,380,506
Total - Four Months	12,076	4,829,740	34,405	17,769,693

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
April	7,302	12,297
Total - Four Months	30,764	44,454
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 April, 1951, amounted to 10,536 tons, compared with 11,602 tons in the previous month, and with 11,192 tons in April, 1950.

Table 5 - Production of Nickel (1), 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	(+)11,602
April	11,146	11,192	10,536
Total - Four Months	46 102	40,264	42,701
May	11,261	10,980	and the same of the same
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	

<sup>(</sup>x) Refined nickel and nickel in oxide produced, plus recoverable nickel in matte exported.

<sup>(+)</sup> Revised.

Table 6 - Exports of Nickel (x), 1951

Month	Tons	\$	
January February March April	12,206 7,905 11,193 11,636	11,761,190 7,658,627 10,734,536 11,217,609	
Total - Four Months	42,940	41,371,962	

<sup>(\*)</sup> Refined metal and metal in oxides, matte, etc.

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