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COPPER AND NICKEL PRODUCTION

Copper - Production of new primary copper in all forms (recoverable copper content of Canadian ores) during January, 1957, amounted to 26,053 tons compared with 30,422 tons in the previous month and with 30,075 tons in January, 1956.

Table 1 - Production of Primary (★) Copper, 1955-1957

Month	1 9 5 5	1 9 5 6	1 9 5 7
		(Tons)	
January .....	26,470	30,075	26,053
February .....	25,260	26,879	
March .....	26,886	31,659	
April .....	25,302	27,801	
May .....	25,819	29,448	
June .....	27,585	29,097	
July .....	26,581	31,141	
August .....	27,122	28,719	
September .....	27,688	31,196	
October .....	27,683	29,977	
November .....	27,194	29,837	
December .....	32,404	30,422	
Total .....	325,994	356,251	

(★) Blister copper, plus recoverable copper in concentrates, matte, etc., exported.

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## Copper and Nickel

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Table 2 - Production of Refined Copper, 1955-1957

Month	1 9 5 5	1 9 5 6	1 9 5 7
		(Tons)	
January .....	22,600	26,653	25,469
February .....	21,455	26,229	
March .....	25,083	26,750	
April .....	24,077	26,617	
May .....	23,840	27,626	
June .....	21,890	27,122	
July .....	21,185	27,250	
August .....	26,184	29,219	
September .....	24,752	27,950	
October .....	25,546	29,696	
November .....	25,213	27,346	
December .....	27,172	28,716	
Total .....	288,997	331,174	

Table 3 - Exports of Copper in Ores, Matte, Ingots, etc., 1957

Month	In ore concentrates and matte (copper content)		In ingots, bars and billets	
	Tons	\$	Tons	\$
January .....	2,775	1,811,143	20,582	14,694,436

Table 4 - Consumption (★) of Refined Copper, 1956 and 1957

Month	1 9 5 6	1 9 5 7
	(Tons)	
January .....	13,961	10,779
February .....	12,512	
March .....	13,197	
April .....	14,384	
May .....	13,799	
June .....	13,965	
July .....	9,342	
August .....	10,060	
September .....	12,970	
October .....	11,904	
November .....	9,351	
December .....	9,840	
Total .....	145,285	

(★) Producers' shipments to domestic consumers.

Nickel - Production of nickel in all forms in January, 1957, amounted to 16,554 tons compared with 14,824 tons in the previous month and with 14,985 tons in January, 1956.

Table 5 - Production of Nickel (★), 1955-1957

Month	1 9 5 5	1 9 5 6 (Tons)	1 9 5 7
January .....	14,387	14,985	16,554
February .....	13,375	14,997	
March .....	15,544	15,504	
April .....	15,011	14,431	
May .....	15,352	15,203	
June .....	14,783	14,492	
July .....	14,480	15,125	
August .....	14,775	14,852	
September .....	13,734	14,530	
October .....	14,361	14,762	
November .....	14,290	15,062	
December .....	14,836	14,824	
Total .....	174,928	178,767	

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

Table 6 - Exports of Nickel (★), 1957

Month	Tons	\$
January .....	14,259	19,115,470

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

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