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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, 1958, amounted to 32,830 tons compared with 35,593 tons in the previous month and with 26,052 tons in January, 1957.

Table 1 - Production of Primary (*) Copper, 1956-1958

Month	1956	1957	1958
	(Tons)		
January	29,945	26,052	32,830
February	26,749	29,347	
March	31,535	30,943	
April	27,718	28,015	
May	29,318	26,643	
June	28,967	26,880	
July	31,011	26,386	
August	28,589	30,127	
September	31,066	33,602(x)	
October	29,847	31,334	
November	29,713	35,823(x)	
December	30,402	35,593(x)	
Total	354,860	360,745(x)	

*) Blister Copper, plus recoverable copper in concentrates, matte, etc., exported.
 x) Revised.

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Copper and Nickel

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Table 2 - Production of Refined Copper, 1956-1958

Month	1956	1957	1958
	(Tons)		
January	26,653	25,469	32,237
February	26,229	21,861	
March	26,750	27,663	
April	26,617	27,398	
May	27,626	29,086	
June	27,122	24,093	
July	27,250	27,195	
August	29,219	26,943	
September	27,950	24,633	
October	29,696	30,312	
November	27,346	29,331	
December	28,716	31,604	
Total	331,174	323,588	

Table 3 - Exports of Copper in Ores, Matte, Ingots, etc., 1958

Month	In ore concentrates and matte (copper content)		In ingots, bars and billets	
	Tons	\$	Tons	\$
January	4,964	2,229,018	26,883	14,451,556

Table 4 - Consumption (*) of Refined Copper, 1957 and 1958

Month	1957	1958
	(Tons)	
January	10,779	9,664
February	9,419	
March	8,839	
April	9,699	
May	9,083	
June	9,548	
July	8,264	
August	9,498	
September	10,102	
October	12,114	
November	11,871	
December	9,007	
Total	128,223	

(*) Producers' shipments to domestic consumers.

Nickel - Production of nickel in all forms in January, 1958, amounted to 16,614 tons compared with 15,096 tons in the previous month and with 16,609 tons in January, 1957.

Table 5 - Production of Nickel (*), 1956-1958

Month	1956	1957	1958
	(Tons)		
January	14,960	16,609	16,614
February	14,972	15,027	
March	15,479	16,733	
April	14,406	15,347	
May	15,178	16,225	
June	14,472	15,477	
July	15,105	15,873	
August	14,832	16,756	
September	14,510	15,604	
October	14,742	15,628	
November	15,042	14,587	
December	14,817	15,096	
Total	178,515	188,962	

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

Table 6 - Exports of Nickel (*), 1958

Month	Tons	\$
January	14,233	19,772,881

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

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