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## MONTHLY REPORT

## GOLD PRODUCTION IN CANADA - APRIL, 1936.

The Canadian gold production in April totalled 299,269 ounces, according to a report just issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa. In March, 299,102 ounces were produced while in April, a year ago, the output was 245,697 ounces. Production during the first four months of 1936 amounted to 1,142,347 ounces or 18.6 per cent above the total for the corresponding months of 1935.

Gold output from Chtario sources was at approximately the same level as in March and totalled 196,015 ounces, made up of 84,406 ounces from the Porcupine camp, 79,530 ounces from the Kirkland Lake area and 32,079 ounces from other sources. During March the Kirkland Lake area produced 85,336 ounces, the Porcupine camp, 79,950 ounces and other sources, 31,392 ounces.

Quebec produced 56,798 ounces; in March 54,953 ounces were produced. Quebec's output during the four months ending april totalled 203,299 ounces as compared with 128,043 ounces in the corresponding period of 1935.

British Columbia operators reported an output of 30,903 ounces in April; during the preceding month 32,610 cunces were extracted.

An increase of 2 per cent was shown in the output of gold in Manitoba and Saskatchewan during April when 14,046 ounces were produced as against 13,773 ounces in March.

Shipments of gold from Nova Scotia properties to the Royal Canadian Mint in April amounted to 963 ounces; in March these shipments were lower at 783 ounces.

Production in the Yukon in April rose to 544 ounces from the March total of 305 ounces.

The Royal Canadian Mint, reserved, in addition to new gold, jewellery and scrap containing 3,424 ounces of gold in April; the gold content of these receipts during the first four months of 1936 totalled 11,618 ounces.

The average price of gold in April, in Canadian funds, was \$35.15 per ounce, at which price the Canadian output during the month was worth \$10,519,305. The March average price was \$35.11 per ounce and the computed value of the month's production was \$10,501,471.

Little change was recorded in the world output of gold in April as compared with March. According to an estimate published by the American Bureau of Metal Statistics, 2,672,000 ounces were produced in April and 2,673,000 ounces in the preceding month. The South African production declined 2.4 per cent to 913,000 cunces in April. In the United States (including the Philippines) 316,064 ounces were produced of which 163,674 ounces were received at the United States mint, 150,990 ounces at private smelters and refiners, and 1,400 ounces contained in ore and base bullion exported.

## PRODUCTION OF GOLD IN CANADA

Month	1936(a)	1935(a)	1934
	Ounces	Ounces	Ounces
January	277,554	238,651	231,804
February	266,422	229,340	223,753
March	299,102	249,479	250,653
April	299,269	245,697	229,735
May		269,238	261,125
June		285,772	240,279
July		285,372	246,145
August		294,361	265,560
September		280,362	244,777
October		301,712	265,709
November		293,160	250,596
December		307,326	261,938
TOTAL		3,280,470	2,972,074
TOTAL - Four months ending APRIL	1,142,347	963,167	935,945

<sup>(</sup>a) Subject to revision.

