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## MONTHLY REPORT

GOLD PRODUCTION IN CANADA - SEPTEMBER, 1939.

Gold production in Canada during September amounted to 421,485 ounces compared with 449,207 ounces in August and 408,326/in September, 1938, according to a report just issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa. During the nine months ending September, the Canadian output totalled 3,803,202 ounces or 9.8 per cent above the production a year ago.

Ontario produced 247,412 ounces in September, made up of 105,069 ounces from the Porcupine camp, 79,911 ounces from the Kirkland Lake area and 62,432 ounces from other sources. During August, the Porcupine camp produced 108,454 ounces, the Kirkland Lake area 91,714 ounces and other sources 65,657 ounces.

The Quebec production was recorded at 79,398 ounces compared with 81,665 ounces in the preceding month. This province produced 720,363 ounces during the first nine months of the current year or 12.5 per cent above the output in the corresponding period of 1938.

British Columbia operators reported an output of 52,038 ounces as against 55,454 ounces in August. Production during the year to date aggregated 477,475 ounces.

Manitoba and Saskatchewan produced 22,636 ounces; in August 22,712 ounces were produced. The output during the nine months ending September totalled 191,300 ounces.

The Yukon production of alluvial and lode gold and the Northwest Territories' output of lode gold amountea to 17,567 ounces in September. The August output from these sources totalled 20,620 ounces.

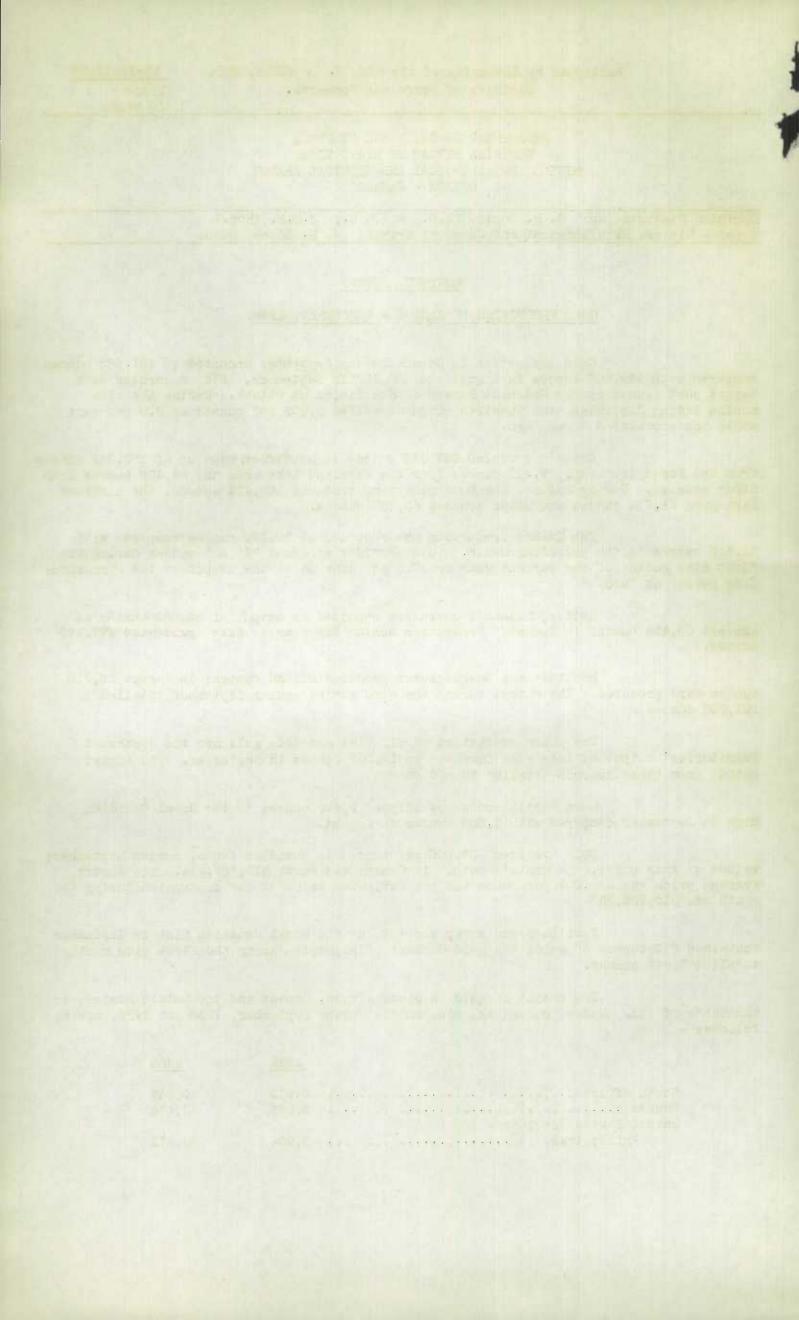
Nova Scotia producers shipped 2,415 ounces to the Royal Canadian Mint in September compared with 2,889 ounces in August.

Gold averaged \$37.208 per ounce, in Canadian funds, during September; valued at this price, the month's output in Canada was worth \$15,682,614. The August average price was \$35.009 per ounce and the estimated value of the production during the month was \$15,726,285.

Jewellery and scrap receipts at the Royal Canadian Mint in September contained 679 ounces of gold; the gold content of receipts during the first nine months totalled 9,347 ounces.

The output of gold in South Africa, Canada and the United States, in thousands of fine ounces, during the nine months ending September, 1938 and 1939, was as follows: -

	1939	1938
South Africa Canada United States (including the		9,067 3,464
Philippines)	3,994	3,572



PRODUCTION	F GOLD IN	CANADA	
Month	1939(a)	1938	1937
	Ounces	Ounces	Ounces
January February March April May June July August September October November December	411,328 390,963 414,217 406,795 432,359 436,783 440,065 449,207 421,485	361,552 340,536 374,150 368,962 381,659 393,211 419,685 416,317 408,326 412,841 412,707 435,171	329,023 310,485 326,738 323,885 340,498 345,359 347,716 349,108 348,528 359,395 353,281 362,197
TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR		4,725,117	4,096,213
TOTAL - NINE MONTHS ending SEPTEMBER	3,803,202	3,464,398	3,021,340

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(a) Subject to revision.

