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MONTHLY REPORT

GOLD PRODUCTION IN CANADA - JANUARY, 1940

The Canadian output of gold in January amounted to 424,381 ounces compared with 432,896 ounces in December and 411,328 ounces in January, 1939, according to a report just issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa.

Production from Ontario sources totalled 266,037 ounces, made up of 114,450 ounces from the Porcupine camp, 86,281 ounces from the Kirkland Lake area and 65,306 ounces from other fields. In December, the Porcupine camp produced 118,248 ounces, the Kirkland Lake area 82,154 ounces, and other sources 70,203 ounces. The January total includes the first return from the Aunor Gold Mines, Ltd.

Quebec producers reported an output of 83,505 ounces; in December, 82,911 ounces were produced. The January, 1939 production amounted to 85,500 ounces.

British Columbia's output declined to 43,891 ounces from the December total of 46,369 ounces, and the January, 1939 production of 50,778 ounces.

Manitoba and Saskatchewan produced 21,625 ounces in January as against 21,125 ounces a year ago.

The alluvial gold output in the Yukon and the lode gold production in the Northwest Territories aggregated 6,724 ounces in January compared with 2,377 ounces in the corresponding month of 1939.

Nova Scotia operators shipped 2,585 ounces of gold to the Royal Canadian Mint in January; a year ago, 4,171 ounces were shipped.

Gold averaged \$38.50 per ounce in January in Canadian funds; based on this price, the month's output in Canada was worth \$16,338,668. The December average price was the same as that for January and the estimated value of the month's output was \$16,666,496.

The Royal Canadian Mint received jewellery and scrap in January containing 1,516 ounces of gold compared with 868 ounces received in the preceding month.

South Africa produced 1,135,000 ounces of gold in January; in the previous month, 1,101,000 ounces were produced. Output in the United States totalled 487,050 ounces in January and consisted of 257,116 ounces received at the United States Mint, 229,385 ounces at private smelters and refineries and 549 ounces contained in ore and base bullion exported.

PRODUCTION OF GOLD IN CANADA 1 3 3 8 9 4 0 Total Average value Average value Output(a) per ounce in Total Value Month Output. per ounce in value Output (a) (a) Canadian funds Canadian funds (a) Ounces \$ Ounces Ounces Jan. .. 424,381 38.500 16,338,668 411,328 35.298 14,519,056 361,552 Feb. .. 390,963 35.194 13,759,552 340,536 414,217 35.129 14,551,029 374,150 March. 406,795 35.155 April. 14,300,878 368,962 432,359 May .. 35.134 15,190,501 381,659 June .. 436,783 35.068 15,317,106 393,211 440,065 35.064 15,430,439 419,685 July .. 449,207 35.009 15,726,288 August 416,317 408,326 421,485 37.208 15,682,614 Sept. 432,678 38.431 16,628,248 Oct. .. 412,841 423,358 Nov. .. 38.500 16,299,283 412,707 Dec. .. 432,896 38.500 16,666,496 435,171 TOTAL - Calendar Year 5,092,134 184,071,490 4,725,117

(a) Subject to revision.

