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MONTHLY REPORT

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GOLD PRODUCTION IN CANADA - AUGUST, 1940

The Canadian output of gold in August rose to 466,223 ounces from the July record total of 456,626 ounces, according to a report just issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa. In August, 1939 the production was 449,474 ounces. During the first eight months of the current year, Canada produced 3,494,891 ounces or 3.4 per cent above the output a year ago.

Ontario operators reported an output of 273,889 ounces in August, made up of 119,104 ounces from the Porcupine camp, 89,677 ounces from the Kirkland Lake area and 70,108 ounces from other sources. In July, the Porcupine camp produced 122,153 ounces, the Kirkland Lake area, 89,351 ounces and other sources, 68,209 ounces.

Quebec produced 85,379 ounces of gold in August compared with 80,506 ounces in the preceding month. During the eight months ending August this province produced 663,218 ounces or 3.6 per cent above the output in the corresponding period of 1939.

The British Columbia production in August amounted to 58,295 ounces; in July, 58,285 ounces were produced while during 1940, to date, the output was 404,455 ounces.

The output in Manitoba and Saskatchewan was recorded at 22,243 ounces as against 21,563 ounces in July. Production in these two provinces totalled 167,600 ounces during the first eight months of 1940.

Gold production in the Yukon amounted to 15,070 ounces in August; a year ago, 15,769 ounces were produced.

Production in the Northwest Territories was at approximately the same level as in July and amounted to 4,537 ounces.

Shipments of gold by Nova Scotia operators to the Royal Canadian Mint in August, declined to 1,791 ounces from the preceding month's total of 2,111 ounces.

The gold content of jewellery and scrap received at the Royal Canadian Mint in August was 842 ounces. Receipts during the eight months ending August contained 7,468 ounces of gold.

PRODUCTION OF GOLD IN CANADA

Month	1 9 4 0			1 9 3 9			1 9 3 8
	Output (a)	Average value per ounce in Canadian funds	Total value (a)	Output	Average value per ounce in Canadian funds	Total value	Output
	Ounces	\$	\$	Ounces	\$	\$	Ounces
January	424,381	38.50	16,338,668	410,803	35.298	14,500,524	361,552
February	405,365	38.50	15,606,553	391,040	35.194	13,762,262	340,536
March	429,862	38.50	16,549,687	413,483	35.129	14,525,244	374,150
April	418,636	38.50	16,117,486	406,445	35.155	14,288,574	368,962
May	442,521	38.50	17,037,058	431,660	35.134	15,165,942	381,659
June	451,277	38.50	17,374,165	436,538	35.068	15,308,515	393,211
July	456,626	38.50	17,580,101	439,925	35.064	15,425,530	419,685
August	466,223	38.50	17,949,585	449,474	35.009	15,735,635	416,317
September ...				422,392	37.208	15,716,362	408,326
October				433,086	38.431	16,643,928	412,841
November				424,937	38.500	16,361,999	412,707
December				434,546	38.500	16,730,021	435,171
TOTAL - Calendar Year				5,094,379	...	184,164,536	4,725,117
TOTAL - EIGHT MONTHS ending							
AUGUST	3,494,891	...	134,553,303	3,379,368	...	118,712,226	3,056,072

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