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GOLD PRODUCTION IN CANADA, OCTOBER, 1944

Gold production in Canada during October, 1944 totalled 230,023 fine ounces compared with 279,988 fine ounces in October, 1943 and 236,405 ounces in September, 1944. The value of the October, 1944 gold production was \$8,855,886.

Of the total gold production for October, 1944, 191,619 fine ounces came from auriferous quartz mines and alluvial deposits, and 38,404 fine ounces originated in base metal mines.

Gold produced in auriferous quartz mines and placers declined 17.6 per cent in October, 1944 as compared with the production from the corresponding sources in October, 1943. Production of gold from base metal mines declined 19.0 per cent in a comparison of the same periods.

Employees in producing auriferous quartz mines, including both salaried employees and wage-earners, numbered 15,061 in October, 1944; the corresponding total for active non-producing mines was 326. In October, 1944, employees in non-ferrous metal mines, smelters and refineries totalled 36,863.

GOLD PRODUCTION, BY PROVINCES, 1943 and 1944(a) - (fine ounces)

Month	Nova Scotia (c)		Quebec		Ontario		Manitoba and Saskatchewan	
	1943	1944	1943	1944	1943	1944	1943	1944
January	525	732	75,914	70,438	201,759	150,500	26,218	19,389
February	589	539	83,532	71,523	188,038	150,018	23,480	17,028
March	1	527	94,651	72,303	196,480	155,492	25,371	19,019
April	626	408	83,995	64,546	183,608	143,008	24,615	18,293
May	106	326	84,844	68,292	176,541	150,381	21,515	16,394
June	405	438	77,181	60,164	190,909	140,297	23,097	17,355
July	261	574	70,469	56,136	168,189	140,456	23,303	17,684
August	317	405	71,102	56,414	163,756	145,100	22,210	13,984
September ...	237	471	73,638	57,927	158,982	138,919	20,258	13,754
October	414	455	70,816	57,240	166,898	136,206	18,184	15,434
November	440		67,940		159,450		18,945	
December	158		68,451		157,605		18,669	
TOTAL -								
Calendar year	4,129		922,533		2,117,215		265,865	
TOTAL - Ten months ending October	3,531	4,875	786,142	635,043	1,800,160	1,450,377	228,251	168,334

GOLD PRODUCTION, BY PROVINCES, 1943 and 1944(a) - (fine ounces) Concluded

Month	British Columbia		Yukon		Northwest Territories		C A N A D A	
	1943	1944	1943	1944	1943	1944	1943	1944
January	23,605	14,106	109	826	6,292	1,741	334,422	257,793
February	25,185	15,601	552	315	5,942	1,779	327,318	256,803
March	24,513	17,223	372	...	6,203	2,080	347,591	266,644
April	23,606	16,321	140	128	6,451	2,100	323,041	244,804
May	22,215	18,357	1,793	4	6,475	3,056	313,489	256,837
June	21,930	17,106	6,461	2,825	6,356	1,731	326,839	259,916
July	18,531	14,535	5,460	4,526	6,450	1,707	292,663	235,618
August	18,243	15,219	6,189	4,797	6,455	950	293,281	236,870
September ...	18,182	16,670	6,543	3,842	4,223	4,822	282,130	236,405
October	15,638	16,171	6,778	4,495	1,260	...	279,988	230,023
November	14,366		5,336		1,249		267,726	
December	15,327		1,427		1,176		262,813	
TOTAL -								
Calendar year	241,546		41,180		59,032		3,651,301(d)	
TOTAL - Ten months ending								
October	211,653	161,309	34,397	21,758	56,607	19,966	3,120,762 ^(d)	2,461,713(b)

(a) Subject to revision.

(b) Includes 51 ounces from Alberta.

(c) Nova Scotia figures taken from returns to the Royal Mint.

(d) Includes 21 ounces from Alberta.

PRODUCTION OF GOLD FROM AURIFEROUS QUARTZ MINES AND BASE METAL MINES,
1943 and 1944

Month	Gold production from base metal mines		Gold production from auriferous quartz mines and placer deposits	
	1943	1944(x)	1943	1944(x)
	(fine ounces)			
January	42,700	46,134	291,722	211,659
February	50,957	42,050	276,361	214,773
March	59,170	46,337	238,421	230,307
April	50,205	39,359	272,836	204,845
May	40,978	44,639	272,511	212,198
June	58,395	41,332	268,444	198,584
July	47,325	37,993	245,338	197,625
August	46,381	36,639	246,900	200,181
September	46,482	35,996	255,648	200,409
October	47,386	38,404	232,602	191,619
November	46,179		221,547	
December	44,211		218,602	
TOTAL - Calendar Year	580,369		3,070,932	
TOTAL TEN MONTHS ENDING OCTOBER	489,979	409,513	2,630,783	2,052,200

(x) Subject to revision.

(A) EMPLOYMENT IN PRODUCING LODE GOLD MINES IN CANADA, BY PROVINCES, 1943 and 1944(x)

Month	Quebec		Ontario		British Columbia		Other dis- tricts and provinces		C A N A D A	
	1943	1944	1943	1944	1943	1944	1943	1944	1943	1944
January..	5,263	4,071	13,766	11,086	1,448	1,062	823	225	21,310	16,444
February.	5,319	4,624	13,310	11,166	1,428	1,092	781	234	20,838	17,116
March ...	5,303	4,640	13,137	11,271	1,363	1,117	779	238	20,587	17,266
April ...	5,153	4,511	12,739	11,091	1,301	1,123	710	239	19,908	16,969
May	4,866	4,268	12,603	11,065	1,290	1,133	642	242	19,401	16,708
June	4,654	4,190	12,433	10,954	1,222	1,096	670	254	18,979	16,494
July	4,233	4,167	12,246	10,813	1,139	930	654	254	18,272	16,164
August ..	4,162	4,054	11,823	10,708	1,019	919	564	223	17,573	15,904
September	4,019	3,852	11,281	10,442	1,053	1,026	293	206	16,646	15,526
October..	4,004	3,415	11,045	10,430	928	1,064	230	152	16,207	15,061
November.	4,019		10,885		910		223		16,042	
December.	4,024		10,998		976		225		16,223	

(A) Mines with 15 or more employees.(x) Subject to revision.EMPLOYMENT IN ACTIVE BUT NON-PRODUCING
LODE GOLD MINES IN CANADA,
1943 and 1944

Month	1943	1944(x)
January	191	880
February	417	513
March	364	522
April	310	403
May	147	323
June	166	319
July	602	536
August	691	518
September	775	398
October	844	326
November	941	
December	824	

EMPLOYMENT IN NON-FERROUS MINING, SMELT-
ING AND REFINING INDUSTRIES IN CANADA,
1943 and 1944

Month	1943	1944(x)
January	46,325	45,835
February	46,621	44,837
March	46,968	44,255
April	46,137	42,030
May	45,499	41,467
June	46,754	41,239
July	46,838	41,181
August	46,471	38,732
September	45,354	37,351
October	45,163	36,863
November	46,231	
December	45,783	

(x) Subject to revision.

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