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MONTHLY REPORT

GOLD PRODUCTION IN CANADA, FEBRUARY, 1944

Gold production in Canada during February, 1944 totalled 256,803 fine ounces compared with 327,404 fine ounces in February, 1943 and 257,793 ounces in January, 1944. The value of the February, 1944 gold production was \$9,886,915.

Of the total gold production for February, 1944, 214,773 fine ounces came from auriferous quartz mines and alluvial sources, and 42,030 fine ounces originated in base metal mines.

Gold production by auriferous quartz mines and placers dropped 21.4 per cent in February, 1944 as compared with the production from the corresponding sources in February, 1943. Production of gold from base metal mines decreased 22.3 per cent when the same periods are compared.

Employees in producing auriferous quartz mines, including both salaried employees and wage-earners, numbered 17,096 in February, 1944; the corresponding total for active but non-producing mines was 513.

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

Month	Nova Scotia(c)		Quebec		Ontario		Manitoba and Saskatchewan	
	1943	1944	1943	1944	1943	1944	1943	1944
January	325	732	76,594	70,498	200,960	150,500	26,215	19,589
February	589	539	84,280	71,523	187,293	150,018	23,477	17,028
March	1		95,499		195,701		25,368	
April	626		84,748		182,880		24,612	
May	106		85,605		175,841		21,512	
June	405		77,873		190,153		23,084	
July	261		71,101		167,523		23,300	
August	317		71,740		168,087		22,207	
September	237		74,298		158,352		20,255	
October	414		71,451		166,227		18,182	
November	440		68,549		158,818		18,943	
December	158		69,065		156,980		18,666	
TOTAL - Calendar Year	4,129		930,803		2,108,825		265,831	
TOTAL - Two months ending February	1,114	1,271	160,874	142,021	388,253	300,518	49,692	36,417
	British Columbia		Yukon		Northwest Territories		CANADA	
January	23,802	14,106	119	826	6,295	1,741	334,510	257,793
February	25,218	15,601	602	315	5,945	1,779	327,404	256,803
March	24,502		406		6,206		347,683	
April	23,653		153		6,454		323,126	
May	22,075		1,955		6,478		313,572	
June	21,497		7,044		6,859		326,925	
July	18,150		5,952		6,453		292,740	
August	17,798		6,747		6,458		295,358	
September	17,637		7,133		4,225		282,204	
October	15,128		7,389		1,261		260,062	
November	13,981		5,816		1,250		267,797	
December	15,281		1,555		1,177		262,882	
TOTAL Calendar Year	238,722		44,871		59,061		3,652,803(d)	
TOTAL - Two months ending February	49,020	29,707	721	1,141	12,240	3,520	661,914	514,530(b)

(a) Subject to revision. (b) Includes 1 ounce 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(x) and 1944(x)

Month	Gold production from base metal mines		Gold production from auriferous quartz mines and placer deposits	
	1943(x)	1944(x)	1943(x)	1944(x)
	(Fine ounces)			
January	45,239	46,134	289,271	211,659
February	53,987	42,030	273,417	214,773
March	62,688		284,995	
April	53,190		269,936	
May	43,415		270,157	
June	61,867		265,058	
July	50,139		242,601	
August	49,139		244,219	
September	49,246		232,958	
October	50,204		229,858	
November	48,925		218,872	
December	46,840		216,042	
TOTAL - Calendar year	614,879		3,037,384	
TOTAL - Two months ending February	99,226	88,164	562,688	426,432

// EMPLOYMENT IN PRODUCING LODE GOLD MINES IN CANADA, BY PROVINCES,
1943(x) 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	5,268	4,071	13,766	11,086	1,448	1,062	828	225	21,310+	16,444+
February	5,319	4,624	13,310	11,763	1,428	1,075	781	234	20,838+	17,096
March	5,303		13,137		1,368		779		20,587+	
April	5,158		12,739		1,301		710		19,908+	
May	4,866		12,603		1,290		642		19,401+	
June	4,654		12,433		1,222		670		18,979+	
July	4,233		12,246		1,139		654		18,272+	
August	4,162		11,828		1,019		564		17,573+	
September	4,019		11,281		1,053		293		16,646+	
October	4,004		11,045		928		230		16,207+	
November	4,019		10,885		910		228		16,042+	
December	4,024		10,998		976		225		16,223+	

EMPLOYMENT IN ACTIVE BUT NON-PRODUCING LODE GOLD MINES IN CANADA,
1943(x) and 1944(x)

Month	1943(x)	1944(x)
	Number	
January	191	880
February	417	513
March	364	
April	310	
May	147	
June	166	
July	602	
August	691	
September	775	
October	844	
November	941	
December	824	

(x) Subject to revision.
(+) Revised
(//) Mines with 15 or more employees.