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MONTHLY REPORT

GOLD PRODUCTION IN CANADA, AUGUST, 1944

Gold production in Canada during August, 1944 totalled 256,870 fine ounces compared with 293,281 fine ounces in August, 1943 and 235,618 ounces in July, 1944. The value of the August, 1944 gold production was \$9,119,495.

Of the total gold production for August, 1944, 200,181 fine ounces came from auriferous quartz mines and alluvial deposits and 36,689 fine ounces originated in base metal mines.

Gold produced at auriferous quartz mines and placers declined 18.9 per cent in August, 1944 as compared with the production from the corresponding sources in August, 1943. Production of gold from base metal mines declined 20.9 per cent in a comparison of the same periods.

Employees in producing auriferous quartz mines, including both salaried employees and wage-earners, numbered 15,916 in August, 1944; the corresponding total for active but non-producing mines was 517. In August, 1944, employees in non-ferrous metal mines, smelters and refineries totalled 38,791.

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	70,498	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	168,756	145,100	22,210	13,984
September ...	287		73,638		158,982		20,258	
October .....	414		70,816		166,898		18,184	
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--Eight months ending								
August .....	2,830	3,949	641,688	519,876	1,474,280	1,175,252	189,809	139,146

## 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	6,856	1,731	326,839	239,916
July .....	18,531	14,535	5,460	4,526	6,450	1,707	292,663	235,618
August .....	18,248	15,219	6,189	4,797	6,455	950	293,281	236,870
September ...	18,182		6,543		4,223		282,130	
October .....	15,638		6,778		1,260		279,988	
November .....	14,366		5,336		1,249		267,726	
December .....	15,327		1,427		1,176		262,813	
TOTAL---								
Calendar year	241,346		41,160		59,032		3,651,301 (d)	
TOTAL--Eight months ending August .....	177,833	128,468	21,076	13,421	51,124	15,144	2,558,644	1,995,285 (b)

(a) Subject to revision.

(b) Includes 29 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	42,030	276,361	214,773
March .....	59,170	46,337	288,421	220,307
April .....	50,205	39,959	272,836	204,845
May .....	40,378	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	36,689	246,900	200,181
September .....	46,482		235,648	
October .....	47,386		232,602	
November .....	46,179		221,547	
December .....	44,211		218,602	
TOTAL -- Calendar year ....	580,369		3,070,932	
TOTAL Eight months ending August	396,111	335,113	2,162,533	1,660,172

(x) Subject to revision.

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

Month	Quebec		Ontario		British Columbia		Other districts 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	11,166	1,428	1,092	781	234	20,838	17,116
March ...	5,303	4,640	13,137	11,271	1,368	1,117	779	238	20,587	17,266
April ...	5,158	4,511	12,739	11,091	1,301	1,128	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	11,828	10,720	1,019	919	564	223	17,573	15,916
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	

(/) 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	517
September .....	775	
October .....	844	
November .....	941	
December .....	824	

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

Month	1943	1944(x)
January .....	46,323	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 .....	46,888	41,181 (+)
August .....	46,471	38,791
September .....	45,354	
October .....	45,168	
November .....	46,231	
December .....	45,783	

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