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MONTHLY REPORT

GOLD PRODUCTION IN CANADA, FEBRUARY, 1945

Gold production during February, 1945 totalled 212,351 fine ounces compared with 256,803 fine ounces in February, 1944 and 233,210 fine ounces in January, 1945. The value of the February, 1945 gold production was \$8,175,513.

Of the total gold production for February, 1945, 178,427 fine ounces came from auriferous quartz mines and alluvial deposits, and 33,924 fine ounces originated in base metal mines.

Gold produced in auriferous quartz mines and placers decreased 16.9 per cent in February, 1945 as compared with the production from the corresponding sources in February, 1944. Production of gold from base metal mines decreased 19.3 per cent in a comparison of the same periods.

Employees in producing auriferous quartz mines, including both salaried employees and wage-earners, numbered 15,362 in February, 1945; the corresponding total for active non-producing mines was 860. Employees in non-ferrous metal mines, smelters and refineries totalled 34,220.

GOLD PRODUCTION (a), BY PROVINCES, 1944 and 1945 - (fine ounces)

Month	Nova Scotia (c)		Quebec		Ontario		Manitoba and Saskatchewan	
	1944	1945	1944	1945	1944	1945	1944	1945
January ...	732	654	70,498	59,836	150,500	141,063	19,389	13,847
February ..	539	118	71,523	56,249	150,018	126,166	17,028	12,152
March	527		72,303		155,492		19,019	
April	408		64,546		143,008		18,293	
May	326		68,292		150,381		16,394	
June	438		60,164		140,297		17,355	
July	574		56,136		140,456		17,684	
August	405		56,414		145,100		13,984	
September..	471		57,927		138,919		13,754	
October ...	455		57,240		136,206		15,434	
November ..	483		55,345		134,860		14,090	
December ..	483		57,397		140,351		13,867	
TOTAL—								
Calendar								
Year	5,841		747,785		1,725,588		196,291	
Total—Year								
to date..	1,271	772	142,021	116,085	300,518	267,229	36,417	25,999

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GOLD PRODUCTION (a), BY PROVINCES, 1944 and 1945 - (fine ounces)
(Concluded)

Month	British Columbia		Yukon		Northwest Territories		C A N A D A	
	1944	1945	1944	1945	1944	1945	1944	1945
January ...	14,106	17,810	826	...	1,741	...	257,793	233,210
February ..	15,601	17,595	315	71	1,779	...	256,803	212,351
March	17,223		...		2,080		266,644	
April	16,321		128		2,100		244,804	
May	18,357		4		3,056		256,837	
June	17,106		2,825		1,731		239,916	
July	14,535		4,526		1,707		235,618	
August	15,219		4,797		950		236,870	
September..	16,670		3,842		4,822		236,405	
October ...	16,171		4,495		...		230,023	
November ..	16,004		1,548		772		223,102	
December ..	16,293		510		...		228,901	
TOTAL--								
Calendar								
Year	193,606		23,816		20,738		2,913,716(b)	
Total--Year								
to date ..	29,707	35,405	1,141	71	3,520	...	514,596	445,561

(a) Subject to revision.

(b) Includes 51 ounces from Alberta.

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

PRODUCTION (x) OF GOLD FROM AURIFEROUS QUARTZ MINES AND BASE METAL MINES,
1944 and 1945

Month	Gold production from base metal mines		Gold production from auriferous quartz mines and placer deposits	
	1944	1945	1944	1945
	(fine ounces)			
January	46,134	38,507	211,659	194,703
February	42,030	33,924	214,773	178,427
March	46,337		220,307	
April	39,959		204,845	
May	44,639		212,198	
June	41,332		198,584	
July	37,993		197,625	
August	36,689		200,181	
September	35,996		200,409	
October	38,404		191,619	
November	36,449		186,653	
December	35,523		193,378	
TOTAL - Calendar Year	481,485		2,432,231	
Total - Year to Date	88,164	72,431	426,432	373,130

(x) Subject to revision.

(A) EMPLOYMENT IN PRODUCING LODE GOLD MINES IN CANADA, BY PROVINCES, 1944 and 1945(x)

Month	Quebec		Ontario		British Columbia		Other districts and provinces		C A N A D A	
	1944	1945	1944	1945	1944	1945	1944	1945	1944	1945
January..	4,071	3,593	11,086	10,527	1,062	1,165	225	179	16,444	15,464
February.	4,624	3,641	11,166	10,379	1,092	1,162	234	180	17,116	15,362
March ...	4,640		11,271		1,117		238		17,266	
April ...	4,511		11,091		1,128		239		16,969	
May	4,268		11,065		1,133		242		16,708	
June	4,190		10,954		1,096		254		16,494	
July	4,167		10,813		930		254		16,164	
August ..	4,054		10,708		919		223		15,904	
September	3,852		10,442		1,026		206		15,526	
October..	3,415		10,436		1,064		152		15,067	
November.	3,580		10,466		1,094		174		15,314	
December.	3,582		10,501		1,147		175		15,405	

(A) Mines with 15 or more employees.

(x) Subject to revision.

EMPLOYMENT IN ACTIVE BUT NON-PRODUCING
LODE GOLD MINES IN CANADA,
1944 and 1945

Month	1944	1945(x)
January	880	771
February	513	860
March	522	
April	403	
May	323	
June	319	
July	536	
August	518	
September ...	398	
October	326	
November	569	
December	648	

EMPLOYMENT IN NON-FERROUS MINING, SMELT-
ING AND REFINING INDUSTRIES IN CANADA,
1944 and 1945

Month	1944	1945(x)
January	45,835	35,219
February	44,837	34,220
March	44,255	
April	42,030	
May	41,467	
June	41,239	
July	41,181	
August	38,782	
September ...	37,855	
October	36,871	
November	37,454	
December	35,570	

(x) Subject to revision.

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