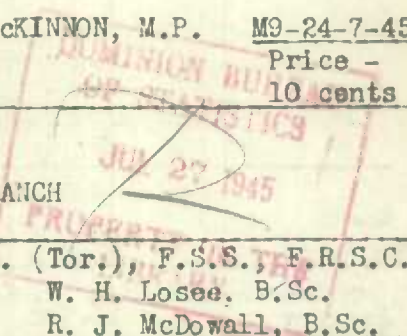


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MONTHLY REPORT

GOLD PRODUCTION IN CANADA, MAY, 1945

Gold production during May, 1945 totalled 217,556 fine ounces compared with 256,837 fine ounces in May, 1944 and 223,737 fine ounces in April, 1945. The value of the May, 1945 gold production was \$8,375,906.

Of the total gold production for May, 1945, 179,497 fine ounces came from auriferous quartz mines and alluvial deposits, and 38,059 fine ounces originated in base metal mines.

Gold produced from auriferous quartz mines and placers decreased 15.4 per cent in May, 1945 as compared with the production from the corresponding sources in May, 1944. Production of gold from base metal mines dropped 14.7 per cent in a comparison of the same periods.

Employees in producing auriferous quartz mines, including both salaried employees and wage-earners, numbered 14,465 in May, 1945; the corresponding total for active non-producing mines was 946. Employees in non-ferrous metal mines, smelters and refineries totalled 33,034.

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	84	72,303	61,006	155,492	135,768	19,019	14,475
April	408	85	64,546	63,298	143,008	130,371	18,293	14,280
May	326	64	68,292	59,480	150,381	150,574	16,594	12,892
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		1,725,538		196,291	
Total—Year to date ...	2,532	1,005	347,162	299,869	749,399	663,942	90,123	67,691

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	...	257,795	255,210
February	15,601	17,595	315	71	1,779	...	256,805	212,351
March	17,223	17,177	...	177	2,080	...	266,644	228,687
April	16,321	15,649	123	55	2,100	...	244,804	225,757
May	18,357	14,422	4	79	3,056	...	256,857	(e) 217,556
June	17,106		2,825		1,751		259,916	
July	14,535		4,526		1,707		235,618	
August	15,219		4,797		950		256,870	
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 ...	81,608	82,652	1,273	382	10,756	...	1,282,881 (d)	1,115,541

(a) Subject to revision.

(b) Includes 51 ounces from Alberta.

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

(d) Includes 28 ounces from Alberta.

(e) Includes 45 ounces from Alberta.

PRODUCTION(x) OF GOLD FROM AURIFEROUS QUARTZ 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	40,018	220,307	188,669
April	39,959	38,206	204,845	185,551
May	44,639	38,059	212,198	179,497
June	41,332		198,534	
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.	219,099	188,714	1,063,782	926,827

(x) Subject to revision.

(+) 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	3,635	11,271	10,305	1,117	1,210	238	176	17,266	15,326
April ...	4,511	3,456	11,091	10,040	1,128	1,147	239	159	16,969	14,802
May	4,268	3,249	11,065	9,941	1,133	1,116	242	159	16,708	14,465
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	

(+) 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	622
February ...	513	709
March	522	644
April	403	753
May	323	946
June	319	
July	536	
August	518	
September ..	398	
October	326	
November ...	569	
December ...	648	

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

Month	1944	1945 (x)
January	45,835	34,932 (+)
February ...	44,837	33,956 (+)
March	44,255	34,270 (+)
April	42,030	34,607 (+)
May	41,467	33,034
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.

(+) Revised.

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