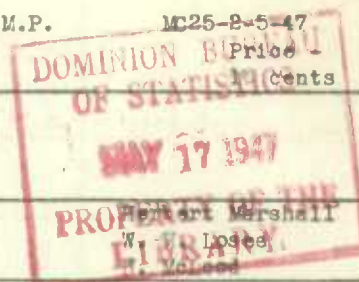


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Monthly Report

GOLD PRODUCTION IN CANADA, FEBRUARY, 1947

Gold production during February, 1947, totalled 222,142 fine ounces compared with 233,825 fine ounces in the previous month and with 228,939 fine ounces in February, 1946. The value of the gold production in February was \$7,774,970.

Production in February included 207,431 fine ounces from auriferous quartz mines and 14,711 fine ounces from base metal mines. Output from auriferous quartz mines and placers rose 8.6 per cent over February of 1946, and production from base metal mines decreased 61.7 per cent.

Employees in producing auriferous quartz mines, including salaried employees and wage-earners, numbered 18,741 in February, 1947; the corresponding total for active non-producing mines was 312. Employees in non-ferrous metal mines, smelters and refineries totalled 29,987 during the month under review.

Table 1 - Gold Production, By Provinces, 1946 and 1947, (a) (Fine ounces)

Month	Nova Scotia (b)		Quebec		Ontario		Manitoba and Saskatchewan	
	1946	1947	1946	1947	1946	1947	1946	1947
January	439	361	56,842	36,822	147,383	160,863	16,120	14,893
February	319	290	54,084	37,221	138,638	153,837	15,355	13,749
Total Two Months	758	651	110,926	74,043	286,021	314,700	31,475	28,642
March	324		61,699		150,232		18,711	
April	388		56,487		144,466		18,076	
May	254		54,573		151,590		17,693	
June	247		44,109		151,810		16,703	
July	598		55,215		155,150		16,015	
August	213		52,355		152,500		16,070	
September	254		49,138		150,177		15,107	
October	743		52,655		156,068		14,919	
November	263		46,477		155,844		13,826	
December	279		35,860		156,996		15,647	
Total Year ...	4,321		619,464		1,810,854		194,242	

	British Columbia		Yukon		Northwest Territories.		Canada	
	1946	1947	1946	1947	1946	1947	1946	1947
January	15,903	15,849	307	376	1,456	4,661	238,450	233,825
February	19,265	13,249	53	...	1,225	3,796	228,939	222,142
Total Two Months	35,168	29,098	360	376	2,681	8,457	467,389	455,967
March	16,832		140		...		247,918	
April	16,365		62		2,361		238,216	
May	15,092		...		1,137		240,339	
June	17,404		2,767		1,296		234,383	
July	4,236		7,095		1,245		239,554	
August	1,864		6,796		1,380		231,200	
September	4,621		8,598		2,009		229,904	
October	2,482		10,755		3,192		240,828	
November	5,906		5,450		3,437		231,204	
December	10,780		3,260		4,642		227,469	
Total Year ...	130,750		45,283		23,380		2,828,404 (c)	

(a) Subject to revision. (b) Nova Scotia figures taken from returns to the Royal Mint.

(c) Includes 110 ounces from Alberta.



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Table 2 - Production of Gold From Auriferous Quartz and Base Metal Mines, (x) 1946 and 1947.

Month	Gold production from base metal mines		Gold production from auriferous quartz mines and placer deposits	
	1946	1947	1946	1947
	(fine ounces)			
January	39,475	16,994	198,975	216,831
February	38,396	14,711	190,543	207,431
Total Two Months	77,871	31,705	389,518	424,262
March	43,356		204,562	
April	41,124		197,092	
May	36,538		203,801	
June	27,510		206,873	
July	36,326		203,228	
August	33,557		197,643	
September	31,897		198,007	
October	32,123		208,705	
November	28,288		202,916	
December	15,616		211,853	
Total Year.	404,206		2,424,198	

(x) Subject to revision.

Table 3 - Employment in Producing Lode Gold Mines (a) in Canada, By Provinces, 1946 and 1947 (b)

Month	Quebec		Ontario		British Columbia		Other districts and provinces		Canada	
	1946	1947	1946	1947	1946	1947	1946	1947	1946	1947
January	3,651	3,442	12,716	13,607	1,655	1,048	322	339	18,344	18,436
February	3,687	3,567	12,929	13,620	1,679	1,221	328	333	18,623	18,741
March	3,658		13,161		1,675		226		18,720	
April	3,572		13,111		1,602		290		18,575	
May	3,472		13,324		1,366		314		18,476	
June	3,342		13,426		1,172		309		18,429	
July	3,635		13,455		297		315		17,702	
August	3,573		13,147		...		333		17,053	
September	3,260		13,009		...		324		16,593	
October	3,426		13,199		...		306		16,931	
November	3,437		13,219		...		335		16,991	
December	3,351		13,364		1,172		341		18,228	

(a) Mines with 15 or more employees.

(b) Subject to revision.

Table 4 - Employment in Active but Non-producing
Lode Gold Mines(a) in Canada,
1946 and 1947 (b)

Employment in Non-ferrous Mining, Smelting
and Refining Industries(a) in Canada
1946 and 1947 (b)

Month	1946	1947	1946	1947
January	713	512	25,175	29,441
February	804	312	26,182	29,987
March	697		25,841	
April	669		26,206	
May	695		26,759	
June	735		27,129	
July	298		26,569	
August	625		27,023	
September	615		26,685	
October	526		26,938	
November	773		27,601	
December	157		28,222	

(a) Mines with 15 or more employees.

(b) Subject to revision.