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Monthly Report

GOLD PRODUCTION IN CANADA, APRIL, 1947

Gold production during April, 1947, totalled 255,177 fine ounces compared with 263,209 fine ounces in the previous month and with 238,216 fine ounces in April, 1946. The value of the gold production in April was \$8,927,695.

Production in April included 229,770 fine ounces from auriferous quartz mines and 25,407 fine ounces from base metal mines. Output from auriferous quartz mines and placers rose 16.6 per cent over April, 1946, and production from base metal mines decreased 38.2 per cent.

Employees in producing auriferous quartz mines, including salaried employees and wage-earners, numbered 18,665 in April, 1947; the corresponding total for active non-producing mines was 488. Employees in non-ferrous metal mines, smelters and refineries totalled 31,747 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
March	324	444	61,669	53,072	150,232	173,978	18,711	14,499
April	388	8	56,487	51,536	144,466	166,826	18,076	13,822
Total 4 Months .	1,470	1,103	229,082	178,651	580,719	655,504	68,262	56,963
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
March	16,832	16,067	140	432	...	4,708	247,918	263,209
April	16,365	18,418	62	45	2,361	4,522	238,216	255,177
Total 4 Months .	68,365	63,583	562	853	5,042	17,687	953,523(c)	974,353(e)
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		229,304	
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(d)	

(a) Subject to revision. (b) Nova Scotia figures taken from returns to the Royal Mint. (c) Includes 21 ounces from Alberta. (d) Included 110 ounces from Alberta. (e) Includes 9 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
March	43,356	27,621	204,562	235,588
April	41,124	25,407	197,092	229,770
Total Four Months	162,351	84,733	791,172	889,620
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	32,004		208,824	
November	28,288		202,916	
December	15,616		211,853	
Total Year	404,087		2,424,317	

(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	3,542	13,161	13,510	1,675	1,418	226	324	18,720	18,794
April	3,572	3,389	13,111	13,454	1,602	1,446	290	376	18,575	18,665
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)

Month			Employment in Non-ferrous Mining, Smelting and Refining Industries (a) in Canada 1946 and 1947 (b)	
	1946	1947	1946	1947
January	713	512	25,175	29,441
February	804	312	26,182	29,987
March	697	436	25,841	31,419
April	669	488	26,206	31,747
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.