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Monthly Report onGOLD PRODUCTION IN CANADA, MAY, 1947

Gold production during May, 1947, totalled 268,910 fine ounces compared with 254,889 fine ounces in the previous month, and with 240,339 fine ounces in May, 1946. The value of the gold production in May was \$9,411,850.

Production in May included 239,047 fine ounces from auriferous quartz mines and 29,863 fine ounces from base metal mines. Output from auriferous quartz mines and placers rose 17.3 per cent over May, 1946 and production from base metal mines decreased 18.3 per cent.

Employees in producing auriferous quartz mines, including salaried employees and wage-earners, numbered 18,535 in May, 1947; the corresponding total for active non-producing mines was 692. Employees in non-ferrous metal mines, smelters and refineries totalled 31,868 during the month under review.

Table 1 - Gold Production(a), by Provinces, 1946 and 1947 (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
May	254	...	54,573	52,927	151,590	176,261	17,693	14,885
Total 5 Months ..	1,724	1,103	283,655	231,578	732,309	831,765	85,955	71,848
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		C A N A D A	
	1946	1947(f)	1946	1947	1946	1947	1946	1947 (f)
January	15,903	16,161	307	376	1,456	4,661	238,450	234,137
February	19,265	14,124	53	...	1,225	3,796	228,939	223,017
March	16,832	16,727	140	432	...	4,708	247,918	263,869
April	16,365	18,130	62	45	2,361	4,522	238,216	254,889
May	15,092	19,773	...	30	1,137	5,034	240,339	268,910
Total 5 Months ..	83,457	84,915	562	883	6,179	22,721	1,193,862(c)	1,244,822(e)
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(d)	

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

(c) Includes 21 ounces from Alberta. (d) Includes 110 ounces from Alberta. (e) Includes 9 ounces from Alberta. (f) Revised.



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Table 2 - Production (*) of Gold from Auriferous Quartz and Base Metal Mines, 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	17,306	198,975	216,831
February	38,396	15,586	190,543	207,431
March	43,356	28,281	204,562	235,588
April	41,124	25,119	197,092	229,770
May	36,538	29,863	203,801	239,047
Total 5 Months	198,889	116,155	994,973	1,128,667
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	

(*) Preliminary figures--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		C A N A D A	
	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	3,025	13,324	13,535	1,366	1,577	314	348	18,476	18,535
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	436	25,841	31,419
April	669	488	26,206	31,747
May	695	692	26,759	31,868
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.

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