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Cold production during May, 1948 totalled 285,566 fine ounces compared with 286,065 fine ounces in April and with 268,910 fine ounces in May, 1947. The value of gold production in Kay, 1948 was \$9,994,810.

Production in May included 251,676 fine ounces from auriferous quarts mines and 33,890 fine ounces from base metal mines. Output from auriferous quartz minea and placers increased 5.3 per cent and production from base metal mines increased 13.5 per cent over May, 1947 .

Table 1 - Gold Production, by Provinces, 1947 and 1948

(f) Includes anal quantities for Alberta.

Table 2 - Production ( $x$ ) of Gold from Auriforous Quartz and Base Motal Minos, 1947 and 1948

| Month | Gold Production from base metal mines |  | cold production fron auriferous quartz mines and placer doposite |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1947 | 1948 | 1947 | 1948 |
|  | (Tine ounces) |  |  |  |
| Jenuary | 17.306 | 32,231 | 216,831 | 241,135 |
| Pebruary | 15,586 | 30,999 | 207,431 | 230,604 |
| Mares. | 28,281 | 30,800 | 235,588 | 256,908 |
| April | 25,119 | 33,887 | 229,770 | 252,178 |
| May.. | 29,863 | 33,890 | 239,047 | 251,67E |
| Total - Ive Month | 116,155 | 161,807 | 1,128,667 | 1,232,501 |
| June | 31,080 |  | 238,018 |  |
| July | 27,715 |  | 233,684 |  |
| August | 29,590 |  | 231,301 |  |
| Septomber | 27,869 |  | 219,774 |  |
| October. | 28,782 |  | 229,983 |  |
| Noverber | 24,676 |  | 227,498 |  |
| Decomber ........... | 27,095 |  | 247,591 |  |
|  | 312,960 |  | 2,756,516 |  |

(x) Preliminery figures -- aubject to revision.

Table 3-Ryployment in Lode Gold Mines (x) in Canada, by Proviaces, 1947 and 1948

| Month | Quebec |  | Ontar10 |  | Britiah Colusbia |  | Other districts and provinces |  | C A A DA |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1947 | 1948 | 1947 | 1948 | 1947 | 1948 | 1947 | 1948 | 1947 | 1948 |
| January | 3,442 | 4,737 | 13,607 | 14,196 | 1,048 | 2,424 | 339 | 1,434 | 18,436 | 22,791 |
| Fobruary | 3,567 | 4,726 | 13,620 | 14,009 | 1,221 | 2,283 | 333 | 1,412 | 18,741 | 22,430 |
| March | 3,548 | 4,705 | 13,510 | 14,070 | 1,418 | 2,317 | 324 | 1,458 | 18,794 | 22,548 |
| April | 3,389 | 4,663 | 13,454 | 14,115 | 1,446 | 2,609 | 376 | 1,471 | 18,665 | 22,856 |
| May. | 3,025 | ( 1 ) | 13,585 | (f) | 1,577 | (t) | 348 | (t) | 18,535 | ( + ) |
| June | 3,162 |  | 13,579 |  | 1,674 |  | 322 |  | 18,737 |  |
| July | 4,247 |  | 14,440 |  | 2,678 |  | 1,443 |  | 22,808 |  |
| August | 4,232 |  | 13,825 |  | 2,672 |  | 1,417 |  | 22,146 |  |
| Soptember | 4,123 |  | 13,324 |  | 2,572 |  | 1,427 |  | 21.446 |  |
| October. | 4,168 |  | -13,528 |  | 2,561 |  | 1,446 |  | 21,703 |  |
| Norember | 4,323 |  | 13,720 |  | 2,581 |  | 1,447 |  | 22,071 |  |
| Decamber. | 4,490 |  | 13,948 |  | 2,391 |  | 1,357 |  | 22,186 |  |

(x) Mines with 15 or more amplayass. Includes producing minas only to June, 1947 but both producine and active non-producing minen boginning with figurea for July, 1947.
(1) Not zet availahla.

