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Monthly Report

GOLD PRODUCTION IN CANADA - FEBRUARY, 1949

Gold production during February, 1949 totalled 307,472 fine ounces compared with 308,989 fine ounces in the previous month and with 261,603 fine ounces in February, 1948. The value of gold production in February, 1949 was \$10,761,520.

Production in February included 278,165 fine ounces from auriferous quartz mines and 29,307 fine ounces from base metal mines. Output from auriferous quartz mines and placers increased 20.6 per cent and production from base metal mines decreased 5.5 per cent over February, 1948.

Table 1 - Gold Production, by Provinces, 1948 and 1949

Month	Nova Scotia		Quebec		Ontario		Manitoba and Saskatchewan	
	1948	1949	1948	1949	1948	1949	1948	1949
(Fine ounces)								
January ....	...	...	55,108	68,843	170,827	186,523	14,229	18,288
February ...	...	...	58,715	71,443	155,295	182,917	14,992	14,829
March .....	...	...	64,285	...	172,350	...	15,287	...
April	1	...	64,108	...	172,449	...	15,846	...
May	10	...	64,001	...	175,970	...	15,010	...
June	43	...	61,542	...	170,073	...	17,247	...
July	25	...	63,690	...	173,457	...	18,795	...
August	29	...	64,064	...	173,155	...	18,381	...
September ..	61	...	64,631	...	171,311	...	16,947	...
October	13	...	67,931	...	176,431	...	17,400	...
November ...	...	...	68,241	...	179,523	...	16,916	...
December ...	7	...	70,710	...	199,573	...	15,161	...
TOTAL ...	189	...	767,026	...	2,090,414	...	196,211	...

	British Columbia		Yukon		Northwest Territories		CANADA (x)	
January	27,457	24,431	19	22	5,726	10,873	273,366	308,989
February ...	25,562	24,642	528	23	6,511	13,601	261,603	307,472
March	27,415	...	47	...	8,324	...	287,708	...
April	26,531	...	91	...	7,022	...	286,073	...
May	25,114	...	13	...	6,947	...	287,065	...
June	25,181	...	8,198	...	7,755	...	290,049	...
July	26,092	...	4,617	...	9,518	...	296,194	...
August	29,357	...	11,249	...	9,162	...	305,397	...
September ..	24,065	...	7,830	...	10,065	...	294,910	...
October	24,005	...	11,063	...	10,091	...	306,928	...
November ...	24,643	...	12,162	...	9,815	...	311,343	...
December ...	26,321	...	4,788	...	10,410	...	326,970	...
TOTAL ...	311,743	...	60,605	...	101,346	...	3,527,606	...

(x) Includes small quantities for Alberta.



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Table 2 - Production of Gold from Auriferous Quartz and Base Metal Mines, 1948 and 1949 (x)

Month	Gold production from base metal mines		Gold production from auriferous quartz mines and placer deposits	
	1948	1949	1948	1949
	(fine ounces)			
January	32,231	33,032	241,135	275,957
February	30,999	29,307	230,604	278,165
March	30,800		256,908	
April	33,887		252,186	
May	33,890		253,175	
June	29,953		260,096	
July	34,277		261,917	
August	31,644		273,753	
September	31,092		263,818	
October	30,785		276,143	
November	32,138		279,205	
December	32,085		294,885	
Total	333,781		3,143,825	

(x) Preliminary figures--subject to revision.

Table 3 - Employment in Lode Gold Mines (✓) in Canada, by Provinces, 1948 and 1949

Month	Quebec		Ontario		British Columbia		Other districts and provinces		C A N A D A	
	1948	1949	1948	1949	1948	1949	1948	1949	1948	1949
January	4,737	4,760	14,196	14,070	2,424	1,632	1,434	1,547	22,791	22,009
February	4,726	(x)	14,009	(x)	2,283	(x)	1,412	(x)	22,430	(x)
March	4,703		14,070		2,317		1,458		22,548	
April	4,663		14,113		2,609		1,471		22,856	
May	4,647		14,079		2,728		1,517		22,971	
June	4,633		14,211		2,584		1,545		22,973	
July	4,681		14,252		2,314		1,612		22,859	
August	4,720		14,084		2,162		1,619		22,585	
September	4,734		13,844		2,058		1,567		22,203	
October	4,792		13,928		2,075		1,586		22,381	
November	4,777		13,986		1,904		1,545		22,212	
December	4,691		13,995		1,688		1,536		21,910	

(✓) Mines with 15 or more employees.

(x) Not yet available.
