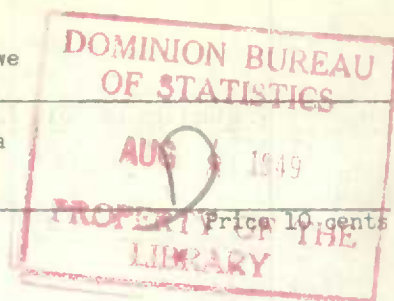


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GOLD PRODUCTION IN CANADAMAY, 1949

Gold production during May, 1949 totalled 332,442 fine ounces compared with 326,903 fine ounces in the previous month and with 287,065 fine ounces in May, 1948. The value of gold production in May, 1949 was \$11,635,470.

Production in May included 299,941 fine ounces from auriferous quartz mines and 32,501 fine ounces from base metal mines. Output from auriferous mines and placers increased 18.5 per cent and production from base metal mines decreased 4.10 per cent over May, 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	69,664	170,827	186,523	14,229	18,288
February .....	...	...	58,715	71,443	155,295	182,917	14,992	14,829
March .....	...	...	64,285	77,182	172,350	203,684	15,287	17,028
April .....	1	...	64,108	78,289	172,449	187,378	15,846	19,078 (c)
May .....	10	...	64,001	78,384	175,970	193,695	15,010	16,641
Total - Five Months	11	...	306,217	374,962	846,891	954,197	73,364	85,864
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 (a)	
	1948	1949	1948	1949	1948	1949	1948	1949
January .....	27,457	24,431	19	22	5,726	10,873	273,366	309,810 (c)
February .....	25,562	24,778	528	23	6,511	13,601	261,603	307,608
March .....	27,415	27,643	47	533	8,324	16,599	287,708	342,677
April .....	26,531	24,592	91	...	7,022	17,566	286,073	326,903 (c)
May .....	25,114	24,469	13	...	6,974	18,268	287,065	332,442 (b)
Total - Five Months	132,079	125,913	698	578	34,557	76,907	1,395,815	1,619,440
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	...

(a) Includes small quantities for Alberta.

(b) Includes shipments in Newfoundland.

(c) Revised.



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

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	276,778
February .....	30,999	29,307	230,604	278,301
March .....	30,800	33,682	256,908	308,995
April .....	33,887	32,158	252,186	294,745
May .....	33,890	32,501	253,175	299,941
Total - Five Months ..	161,807	160,680	1,234,008	1,458,760
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 .....	383,781		3,143,825	

(\*) 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	4,760	14,009	14,071	2,283	1,665	1,412	1,516	22,430	22,012
March .....	4,703	4,767	14,070	14,094	2,317	1,731	1,458	1,508	22,548	22,100
April .....	4,663	4,681	14,113	14,088	2,609	1,870	1,471	1,516	22,856	22,155
May .....	4,647	(x)	14,079	(x)	2,728	(x)	1,517	(x)	22,971	(x)
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.