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GOLD PRODUCTION

FEBRUARY - 1950

Gold production during February, 1950 totalled 350,704 fine ounces compared with 353,911 fine ounces in the previous month and with 307,608 fine ounces in February, 1949. The value of gold production in February, 1950 was \$13,502,104.

Production in February included 305,030 fine ounces from auriferous quartz mines and 45,674 fine ounces from base metal mines. Output from auriferous mines and placers increased 9.6 per cent, and production from base metal mines rose 55.8 per cent over February, 1949.

Table 1 - Gold Production, by Provinces, 1949 and 1950

Month	Quebec		Ontario		Manitoba and Saskatchewan	
	1949	1950	1949	1950	1949	1950
	(fine ounces)					
January	69,664	93,378	186,523	198,046	18,288	22,659
February	71,443	89,501	182,917	199,465	14,829	22,369
Total - Two Months	141,107	182,879	369,440	397,511	33,117	45,028
March	77,182		203,684		17,028	
April	78,289		187,378		19,078	
May	78,384		193,695		16,641	
June	74,149		202,052		20,126	
July	65,930		188,714		19,615	
August	81,604		196,722		22,157	
September	89,964		197,587		20,338	
October	90,050		199,697		22,713	
November	85,790		203,533		23,203	
December	91,363		208,967		24,529	
Total	953,812		2,351,469		238,546	

	British Columbia		Y u k o n		Northwest Territories		T O T A L (*)	
	1949	1950	1949	1950	1949	1950	1949	1950
January	24,431	25,210	22	2	10,873	13,964(x)	309,810	353,911(x)
February	24,778	24,847	23	...	13,601	13,911	307,608	350,704
Total - Two Months	49,209	50,057	45	2	24,474	27,875	617,418	704,615
March	27,643		533		16,599		342,677	
April	24,592		...		17,566		326,903	
May	24,469		...		18,268		332,442	
June	23,978		5,712		16,948		343,280	
July	24,845		9,685		16,761		326,324	
August	26,937		13,247		15,882		359,127	
September	23,125		18,448		13,635		363,848	
October	24,936		15,137		12,960		365,836	
November	25,840		11,269		11,980		361,680	
December	22,940		7,894		11,997		373,091	
Total	298,514		81,970		177,070		4,112,626	

(*) Includes small quantities for Alberta, Nova Scotia and Newfoundland from May, 1949.
(x) Revised.

Note: This report was prepared in the Mining, Metallurgical and Chemical Section.



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Table 2 - Production of Gold from Auriferous Quartz and Base Metal Mines, 1949 and 1950

Month	Gold production from base metal mines		Gold production from auriferous quartz mines and placer deposits	
	1949	1950	1949	1950
	(fine ounces)			
January	33,032	47,758	276,778	306,153(*)
February	29,307	45,674	278,301	305,030
Total - Two Months ...	62,339	93,432	555,079	611,183
March	33,682		308,995	
April	32,158		294,745	
May	32,501		299,941	
June	36,024		307,256	
July	35,572		290,752	
August	38,290		320,837	
September	45,403		318,445	
October	35,653		330,183	
November	42,322		319,358	
December	44,711		328,380	
TOTAL	438,655		3,673,971	

(*) Revised.

Table 3 - Employment in Lode Gold Mines (x), by Provinces, 1949 and 1950

Month	Quebec		Ontario		British Columbia		Other districts and provinces		C A N A D A	
	1949	1950	1949	1950	1949	1950	1949	1950	1949	1950
January	4,760	4,750	14,070	14,099	1,632	1,946	1,547	1,680	22,009	22,375
February	4,767	(*)	14,071	(*)	1,665	(*)	1,516	(*)	22,019	(*)
March	4,735		14,094		1,731		1,508		22,100	
April	4,681		14,088		1,870		1,516		22,155	
May	4,803		14,088		1,982		1,531		22,404	
June	4,892		14,194		2,096		1,598		22,780	
July	4,750		14,185		2,078		1,704		22,717	
August	4,880		14,141		2,093		1,723		22,837	
September ...	4,783		14,139		2,125		1,687		22,734	
October	4,821		14,229		2,135		1,726		22,911	
November	4,790		14,279		2,093		1,724		22,886	
December	4,698		14,149		1,983		1,652		22,482	

(x) Mines with 15 or more employees.

(*) Not yet available.

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