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GOLD PRODUCTION

MAY - 1950

Gold production during May, 1950 totalled 373,758 fine ounces compared with 369,747 fine ounces in the previous month and with 332,442 fine ounces in May, 1949. The value of gold production in May, 1950 was \$14,389,683.

Production in May included 323,436 fine ounces from auriferous quartz mines and 50,322 fine ounces from base metal mines. Output from auriferous mines and placers increased 7.8 per cent, and production from base metal mines rose 54.8 per cent over May, 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	93,721	186,523	198,046	18,288	22,659
February	71,443	89,501	182,917	198,665	14,829	22,369
March	77,182	96,959	203,684	213,344	17,028	25,863
April	78,289	98,980	187,378	204,057	19,078	24,016
May	78,384	96,126	193,695	209,685	16,641	23,267
Total - Five Months	374,962	475,287	954,197	1,023,797	85,864	118,174
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		Yukon		Northwest Territories		TOTAL (x)	
	1949	1950	1949	1950	1949	1950	1949	1950
January	24,431	25,210	22	2	10,873	13,964	309,810	354,254
February	24,778	24,847	23	...	13,601	13,911	307,608	349,904
March	27,643	29,061	533	905	16,599	16,517	342,677	383,333
April	24,592	25,982	...	1	17,566	16,110	326,903	369,747
May	24,469	26,711	...	79	18,268	17,046	332,442	373,758
Total - Five Months	125,913	131,811	578	987	76,907	77,548	1,619,440	1,830,996
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	

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

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	306,496
February	29,307	45,674	278,301	304,230
March	33,682	51,977	308,995	331,356
April	32,158	50,748	294,745	318,999
May	32,501	50,322	299,941	323,436
Total - Five Months ...	160,680	246,479	1,458,760	1,584,517
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	

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

Month	Q u e b e c		O n t a r i o		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	4,776	14,071	14,102	1,665	1,935	1,516	1,632	22,019	22,445
March	4,735	3,443	14,094	14,045	1,731	1,969	1,508	1,648	22,100	21,105
April	4,681	4,767	14,088	14,041	1,870	2,205	1,516	1,637	22,155	22,650
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.