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GOLD PRODUCTION

DECEMBER - 1951

Gold production during December, 1951 totalled 375,990 fine ounces, compared with 372,374 fine ounces in the previous month and with 382,496 fine ounces in December, 1950. The value of gold production in December, 1951 was \$13,494,281.

Production in December included 329,666 fine ounces from auriferous quartz mines and 46,324 fine ounces from base metal mines. Output from auriferous mines and placers decreased 1.1 per cent, and production from base metal mines decreased 5.9 per cent from December, 1950.

Table 1 - Gold Production, by Provinces, 1950 and 1951

Month	Quebec		Ontario		Manitoba and Saskatchewan	
	1950	1951	1950	1951	1950	1951
	(fine ounces)					
January	93,296	91,201	198,387	216,786	22,229	25,939
February	89,095	82,339	199,007	201,871	21,944	22,957
March	96,519	91,327	213,711	213,824	25,372	24,955
April	98,531	89,806	204,408	209,817	23,560	21,630
May	95,690	95,505 (x)	210,046	211,357	22,825	20,973
June	90,151	89,952	205,286	200,324	24,191	23,625
July	88,279	88,486	195,840	178,585	22,719	23,228
August	85,672	85,696	205,377	183,007	21,605	23,477
September	87,937	85,091	197,133	199,479	20,394	21,192
October	89,233	90,377	207,589	210,096	22,194	21,160
November	87,784	85,705	218,213	215,673	20,683	23,727
December	92,458	91,532	226,113	219,201	23,793	21,560
Total	1,094,645	1,067,017	2,481,110	2,460,020	271,509	274,403

	British Columbia		Yukon		Northwest Territories		TOTAL (*)	
	1950	1951	1950	1951	1950	1951	1950	1951
January	24,997	22,369	2	16	14,028	17,470	353,615	374,483
February	24,637	22,575	...	419	13,974	16,204	349,291	347,091
March	28,816	22,261	905	429	16,592	18,926	382,624	372,396
April	25,763	23,030	1	13	16,183	18,152	369,070	363,077
May	26,486	20,553	79	721	17,124	19,319	373,124	369,373 (x)
June	22,494	21,512	7,041	7,250	18,207	19,195	368,347	362,621
July	25,941	21,659	17,035	15,835	17,215	15,888	367,766	344,412
August	26,414	21,694	17,690	11,553	18,285	18,904	375,924	345,096
September	22,316	22,865	20,117	13,309	15,534	16,541	364,361	358,968
October	20,265	23,164	16,665	16,104	19,532	16,690	376,315	378,368
November	20,686	23,302	13,220	5,394	16,921	17,934	378,294	372,374
December	21,675	19,783	584	6,462	17,068	16,705	382,496	375,990
Total	290,490	264,767	93,339	77,505	200,663	211,928	4,441,227	4,364,249

(*) Includes small quantities for Alberta, Nova Scotia and Newfoundland.

(x) Revised.

Table 2 - Production of Gold from Auriferous Quartz and Base Metal Mines, 1950 and 1951

Month	Gold production from base metal mines		Gold production from auriferous quartz mines and placer deposits	
	1950	1951	1950	1951
	(fine ounces)			
January	47,250	52,202	306,365	322,281
February	45,191	43,927	304,100	303,164
March	51,410	46,892	331,214	325,504
April	50,208	45,370	318,862	317,707
May	49,827	44,430	323,297	324,943 (x)
June	49,321	46,847	319,026	315,774
July	46,150	47,826	321,616	296,586
August	46,039	50,269	329,885	294,827
September	43,283	48,287	321,078	310,681
October	44,625	47,179	331,690	331,189
November	45,788	49,230	332,506	323,144
December	49,235	46,324	333,261	329,666
Total	568,327	568,783	3,872,900	3,795,466

(x) Revised.

Table 3 - Employment in Lode Gold Mines (x), by Provinces, 1950 and 1951

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	
	1950	1951	1950	1951	1950	1951	1950	1951	1950	1951
January	4,750	4,918	14,099	13,996	1,946	1,968	1,680	1,562	22,375	22,444
February ...	4,776	4,857	14,102	13,872	1,935	1,943	1,632	1,546	22,445	22,218
March	3,443	4,796	14,045	13,823	1,969	1,860	1,648	1,528	21,105	22,007
April	4,767	4,727	14,041	13,693	2,205	1,894	1,637	1,469	22,650	21,783
May	4,800	4,642	14,126	13,533	2,390	2,079	1,603	1,464	22,919	21,718
June	4,848	4,581	14,248	13,516	2,350	2,098	1,645	1,424	23,091	21,619
July	4,853	4,624	14,243	12,281	2,280	2,130	1,742	1,544	23,118	20,579
August	4,926	4,649	14,005	11,964	2,343	2,223	1,703	1,498	22,977	20,334
September ..	5,012	4,578	13,837	13,124	2,344	2,130	1,559	1,477	22,752	21,309
October	4,953	4,730	13,790	13,326	2,301	2,126	1,599	1,488	22,643	21,670
November ...	5,048	4,912	13,996	13,334	2,197	2,037	1,595	1,519	22,836	21,802
December ...	4,881	(*)	14,069	(*)	1,911	(*)	1,598	(*)	22,459	(*)

(x) Mines with 15 or more employees.

(*) Not yet available.
