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GOLD PRODUCTION<br>MARCH $=1953$



Gold production during March, 1953, totalled 379, 223 fine ounces, compared with 352,895 fine ounces in the previous month and with 364,702 ine ounces in March, 1952. The value of gold production in March, 1953 was \$13,061,199 calculated at average price paid by the Royal Canadian Mint.

Production in Harch included 327,368 inne ounces from auriferous quartz mines and 51,855 fine ounces from base metal mines. Output from auriferous mines and placers increased 1.9 per cent, and production from bese metal mines incressed 19.7 per cent from Warch, 1952.

Table 1-Gold Production, By Provinces, 1952 and 1953

|  | Newfoundland and Nova Scotio |  | Quebec |  | Ontario |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Prairie } \\ \text { provinces } \end{gathered}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1952 | 1953 | 1952 | 1953 | 1952 | 1953 | 1952 | 1953 |
|  | (Fine ounces) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January ................. | 613 | 630 | 89,984 | 98,792 | 206,448 | 210,188 | 19,754 | 19,992 |
| February ............... | 604 | 861 | 92,790 | 92,324 | 200,684 | 199,604 | 19,110 | 18,409 |
| Harch | 809 | 1,250 | 96,161 | 100, 118 | 207,698 | 212,227 | 20,786 | 20,608 |
| Total - Three months | 2,026 | 2,741 | 278,935 | 291,234 | 614,830 | 622,019 | 59,650 | 59,009 |
| April .................. | 723 |  | 90,520 |  | 215,113 |  | 18,482 |  |
| May ..................... | 727 |  | 92,971 |  | 216,947 |  | 17,568 |  |
| June | 935 |  | 89,500 |  | 204,622 |  | 17,496 |  |
| July . | 1,081 |  | 91,047 |  | 202,278 |  | 19,737 |  |
| August................. | 970 |  | 94,108 |  | 196,768 |  | 21,153 |  |
| September ............... | 905 |  | 95,176 |  | 206,638 |  | 20,078 |  |
| October | 924 |  | 94,509 |  | 216,481 |  | 20,566 |  |
| November | 851 |  | 90,910 |  | 217,397 |  | 22,944 |  |
| December | 900 |  | 98,695 |  | 216,222 |  | 20,023 |  |
| Total ....... | 10,042 |  | 1,116,371 |  | 2,507,296 |  | 237,697 |  |


|  | British Columbia |  | Iukon |  | Northest Territories |  | TOTAL |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1952 | 1953 | 1952 | 1953 | 1952 | 1953 | 1952 | 1953 |
| January ................ | 19,149 | 20,698 | 47 |  | 18,566 | 22,369 | 354, 561 | 372,669 |
| February ............... | 22,022 | 20,220 ( + ) | 39 | 9 | 17,418 | 21,468 | 352,667 | 352,895(+) |
| March ................... | 22,814 | 22,088 | 6 | ... | 16,428 | 22,932 | 364,702 | 379,223 |
| Total - Three months | 63,985 | 63,006 | 92 | 9 | 52,412 | 66,769 | 1,071,930 | 1,104,787 |
| dpril .................. | 21,915 |  | 477 |  | 15,906 |  | 363,136 |  |
| Hay ..................... | 20,009 |  |  |  | 17,670 |  | 365,892 |  |
| June .................... | 24,043 |  | 4,376 |  | 18,149 |  | 359,121 |  |
| July ................... | 22,996 |  | 12,240 |  | 24,357 |  | 373,736 |  |
| August ................. | 25,661 |  | 11,912 |  | 21,661 |  | 372,233 |  |
| September .............. | 22,938 |  | 14,669 |  | 22,817 |  | 383,221 |  |
| October ................. | 23,440 |  | 23,110 |  | 24,028 |  | 403,058 |  |
| November ................ | 23,406 |  | 5,492 |  | 27,269 |  | 388,269 |  |
| December ............... | 24,004 |  | 6,150 |  | 25,349 |  | 391,343 |  |
| Total ....... | 272,397 |  | 78,518 |  | 249,618 |  | 4,471,939 |  |

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Table 2 - Production of Gold from Auriferous puarts and Base latal uines, 1952 and 1953

| Month | Gold production from base metal mines |  | Gold production from auriforous quartz mines and placer doposito |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1252 | 1953 | 1952 | 1953 |
|  | (Fine ounces) |  |  |  |
| January | 45,868 | 47,556 |  |  |
| Fobruary . | 45,187 | $42,348(t)$ | $\begin{aligned} & 308,693 \\ & 307,480 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 325,113 \\ & 310,547(+) \end{aligned}$ |
| March | 43,292 | 51,855 | 321,410 | 327,368 |
| Total - Three months | 134,347 | 141,759 | 937,583 | 963,028 |
| ap-11 ................... | 43,385 |  | 319,751 |  |
| Hay ......................... | 41,600 |  | 324,292 |  |
| June ......................... | 45,655 |  | 313,466 |  |
| July ................................ | 42,686 |  | 331,050 |  |
| Soptember ......................... | 47,007 |  | 325,226 |  |
| October ................. | 47,550 |  | 332,004 |  |
| November .. | 46,973 |  | 355,508 |  |
| December | 50,006 |  | $341,337$ |  |
| Total ......... | 550,426 |  | 3,921,513 |  |

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Table 3-Employment in Lode Gold Kines (t), by Provinces, 1952 and 1953

| Month | Q 4 ebec |  | 0 ntario |  | British Columbia |  | Other districts and provinces |  | CANADA |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1952 | 1953 | 1952 | 1953 | 1952 | 1953 | 1952 | 1953 | 1952 | 1953 |
|  | (Number) 1953 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jamuary ....... | 4,784 | 4,781 | 13,319 | 12,500 | 1,896 | 1,687 | 1,569 |  |  |  |
| February ...... | 4,758 | 4,700 | 13,303 | 12,363 | 1,913 | 1,582 | 1,569 | 1,326 | $\begin{aligned} & 21,568 \\ & 21,498 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 20,303 \\ & 19.971 \end{aligned}$ |
| March ........ | 4,893 | (*) | 13,254 | (*) | 1,952 | (*) | 1,469 | (*) | 21,568 | (*) |
| April ......... | 4,881 |  | 13,194 |  | 2,112 |  | 1,422 |  | 21,609 |  |
| May . . . . . . . . | 4,832 |  | 13,056 |  | 2,369 |  | 1,460 |  | 21,717 |  |
| June | 4,880 |  | 12,978 |  | 2,345 |  | 1,451 |  |  |  |
| July ......... | 4,789 |  | 12,939 |  | 2,398 |  | 1,482 |  | 21,654 |  |
| August ........ | 4,791 |  | 12,873 |  | 2,271 |  | 1,477 |  | 21,412 |  |
| Soptember ..... | 4,767 |  | 12,739 |  | 2,153 |  | 1,323 |  | 21,412 20,982 |  |
| October ........ | 4,759 |  | 12,684 |  | 2,102 |  | 1,374 |  | 20,919 |  |
| November .. | 4,780 |  | 12,659 |  | 2,013 |  | 1,377 |  | $20,829$ |  |
| December ...... | 4,678 |  | 12,595 |  | 1,727 |  | 1,331 |  | 20,331 |  |

(+) Mines with 15 or more employees.
(*) Not yet available.

