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Gold production during May, 1953, totalled 368,592 fine ounces, compared with 369,734 fine ounces in the previous month and with 365,892 ine ounces in May, 1952. The value of gold prodetion in May, 1953 was $\$ 22,823,684$ calculated at average price paid by the Royal Canadian M1nt.

Production in May included 321,206 fino ounces from auriforous quartz mines and 47,386 fine ounces from base metal mines. Output from auriferous minos and placers decreased 1.0 per cent, and production from base metal mines increased 13.9 per cent from May, 1952.

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


Table 2 - Production of Gold from Arriferous Quartz and Baso Metal Mines, 1952 and 1953

| Month | Gold production from base metal mines |  | Gold production from auriforoue quartz mines and placer doposits |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1952 | 1953 | 1952 | 1953 |
|  | (Fine ouncos) |  |  |  |
| Jamuary | 45,868 | 47,556 |  |  |
| February | 45,187 | 42,348 | $307,480$ | $310,547$ |
| March .. | 43,292 | 51,855 | 321,410 | 327,368 |
| April. | 43,385 | 47,144 | 319,751 | 322,590 |
| May ..... | 41,600 | 47,386 | 324,292 | 321,206 |
| Total - fivo months | 219,332 | 236,289 | 1,581,626 | 1,606,824 |
| Junc ..................... <br> July <br> August <br> Soptember <br> October <br> November $\qquad$ <br> December <br> Total | 45,655 | $\begin{aligned} & 313,466 \\ & 331,050 \\ & 325,226 \\ & 332,004 \\ & 355,508 \\ & 341,296 \\ & 341,337 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |
|  | 42,686 |  |  |  |
|  | 47,007 |  |  |  |
|  | 51,217 |  |  |  |
|  | 47,550 |  |  |  |
|  | 46,973 50,006 |  |  |  |
|  | 550,426 | 3,921,513 |  |  |
|  | 530,426 |  |  |  |

Table 3 - Fmployment in Lode Gold Mnnes (t), by Provinces, 1952 and 1953

| Month | Qu*boc Ontario |  |  |  | British Other districts Columbia and provincea |  |  |  | CANADA |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1952 | 1953 | 1952 | 1953 | 1952 | 1953 | 1952 | 1953 | 1952 | 1953 |
|  | (Kumber) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 4,784 | 4,781 | 13,319 | 12,500 | 1,896 | 1,687 | 1,569 | 1,335 | 21,568 |  |
| Fobruary | 4,758 | 4,700 | 13,303 | 12,363 | 1,913 | 1,582 | 1,524 | 1,326 | $21,498$ | 19,971 |
| March . | 4,893 | 4,647 | 13,254 | 12,378 | 1,952 | 1,532 | 1, 1,64 | 1,331 | $\begin{aligned} & 21,498 \\ & 21,568 \end{aligned}$ | 19,971 |
| April May | 4,881 4,832 | 4,624 | 13,194 | 12,236 | 2,112 | 1,754 | 1,422 | 1,331 | 21,609 | $19,945$ |
| May | 4,832 4,880 | (*) | 13,056 | (*) | 2,369 | ( ${ }^{(1)}$ | 1,460 | (*) | 21,77 | (*) |
| July | 4,880 4,789 |  | 12,978 12,939 |  | 2,345 |  | 1,451 |  | 21,654 |  |
| August. | 4,791 |  | 12,873 |  | 2,398 2,271 |  | 1,482 |  | 21,508 |  |
| September | 4,767 |  | 12,739 |  | 2,271 |  | 1,477 |  | 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 |  |

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[^0]:    (+) Mines with 15 or more omployees.
    (*) Not jet available.

