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Gold production during July, 1956, totalled 345,249 fine ounces compared with 377,269 fine ounces in the previous month and whth 384,536 fine ounces in July, 1955. The value of gold production in July, 1956, was $\$ 11,866,208$ calculated at the average price paid by the Royal Canadian Mint.

Froduction in July, included 289,943 fine ounces from auriferous quartz mines and 55,306 fine ounces from base metal mines. Dutput from auriferous mines and placers decreased 13.1 per cent, and production from bese metal mines increased B.7 per cent from July, 1955.

Table 1 - Gold Production, by Proyinces, 1955 and 1956

| Month | Newfoundland and Nove Scotia |  | Quebec |  |  |  | Prairie prounces |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1955 | 1956 | 1955 | 1956 | 1955 | 1956 | 1955 | 1956 |
|  | (Fine ounces) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 860 | 687 | 98,947 | 94,808 | 202,880 | 214,114 | 18,192 | 17,698 |
| February | 986 | 1,029 | 92,722 | 92,687 | 198,958 | 199,288 | 17,192 | 16,367 |
| March. | 711 | 1,431 | 93,058 | 97,798 | 208,266 | 223,033 | 19,514 | 17,833 |
| April | 1,195 | 678 | 98,874 | 89,431 | 207,908 | 218,869 | 18,009 | 17,322 |
| May . | 945 | 949 | 98,469 | 88,581 | 214,180 | 224,864 | 17,219 | 16,993 |
| $J$ une | 499 | 742 | 97,933 | 92,534 | 209,005 | (x) 216,480 | 16,712 | 15,071 |
| July | 536 | 981 | 99,228 | 87,687 | 209,066 | 19, 2100 | 18,736 | 17,062 |
| Total seven months | 5,712 | B,477 | 677,231 | 643,526 | 1,450,263 | 1,490,746 | 125,574 | 118,352 |
| August | 1,080 |  | 97,617 |  | 200,513 |  | 18,683 |  |
| September | - 943 |  | 96,875 |  | 214,243 |  | 17,979 |  |
| October. | 1,120 |  | 95,859 |  | 218,891 |  | 18,498 |  |
| November | 1,175 |  | 98,277 |  | 217,631 |  | 17,953 |  |
| December | 899 |  | 94,952 |  | 217,538 |  | 18,948 |  |
| Total. | 10,929 |  | 1,260,811 |  | 2,518,879 |  | 217,635 |  |


|  | British Colunbia |  | Yuke日 |  | Northwest Tercitories |  | TOTAL |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1955 | 1956 | 1955 | 1956 | 1955 | 1956 | 1955 | 1956 |
|  | (Fine ounces) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jenuary | 19,489 | 15,564 | 40 | 11 | 25,922 | 28,068 | 366,330 | 370,950 |
| February | 18,210 | 16,198 | 14 | 230 | 22,521 | 27,436 | 350,633 | 353,233 |
| March .. | 20,122 | 15,237 | 621 | - | 29,785 | 29,175 | 372,077 | 384,508 |
| April .................. | 19,124 | 14,434 | 2 | 107 | 26,853 | 27,549 | 369,965 | 368,490 |
| May ..................... | 23,023 | 16,261 | - ${ }^{-}$ | 291 | 29,533 | 27,589 | 383,369 | (x) 375,534 |
| June | 22,358 | 21,526 | 3,996 | - | 22,241 | 30,916 | 372,742 | (x) 377,269 |
| July | 19,412 | 16,261 | 9,534 | 45 | 28,024 | 29,133 | 384, 536 | 345,249 |
| Total seven months. | 141,736 | 115,481 | 14,207 | 684 | 184,979 | 200,067 | 2,599,702 | 2,575,333 |
| lugust ................... | 25,983 |  | 15,048 |  | 27,095 |  | 386,019 |  |
| September ............... | 22,124 |  | 15,541 |  | 27,297 |  | 395,002 |  |
| October ................. | 18,816 |  | 14,924 |  | 27,655 |  | $395,563$ |  |
| November . ................ | 17,057 |  | 10,562 |  | 25,740 |  | 388,495 |  |
| December ................ | 17,337 |  | 1,823 |  | 28,524 |  | 380,021 |  |
| Total ............ | 243,053 |  | 72,205 |  | 321,290 |  | 4,544,802 |  |

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Table 2-Production of Gold from Aurdforous Quartz and Base Metal Mnes, 1955 apd 1956
Gold production from

| Month | Gold production fras base metal mires |  | Gold production from auriferous quartz mines and placar deposits |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1955 | 1956 | 1955 | 1956 |
|  | (Fins ounces) |  |  |  |
| January ................... | 48,359 | 43,246 | 317,971 | 327,704 |
| February .................. | 43,490 | 45,841 | 307,193 | 306,332 |
| March ...................... | 39,565 | 56,190 | 332,512 | 328,318 |
| April ..................... | 47,722 | 48,016 | 322,243 | 320,474 |
| May ......................... | 48,568 | 50,405 | 334,803 | 325,229 |
| June ...................... | 50,712 | 57,282(x) | 322,030 | 319,987 |
| July ....................... | 50,876 | 55,306 | 333,680 | 289,943 |
| Total sever months. | 329,290 | 357,286 | 2,270,412 | 2,218,047 |
| August | 55,711 |  | 330,308 |  |
| Sopteinber | 54,396 |  | 340,506 |  |
| October | 48,738 |  | 346,825 |  |
| November | 49,068 |  | 339,427 |  |
| December | 51,775 |  | 328,246 |  |
| Total ............. | 588,978 |  | 3,955,824 |  |

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Table 3 - Employpent in Lode Cold Minan (x) by Province L 1955 and 1956

| Montb | Queboc |  | Ontar10 |  | British Columba |  | Other districts and proviaces |  | CANADA |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1955 | 1956 | 1955 | 1956 | 1955 | 1956 | 1955 | 1956 | 1955 | 1956 |
| (Number) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January ........ | 4,291 | 3,895 | 11,576 | 11,215 | 1,333 | 1,080 | 1,276 | 1,269 | 18,476 | 17,459 |
| February ....... | 4,281 | 3,877 | 11,523 | 11,138 | 1,339 | 1,112 | 1,265 | 1,251 | 18,400 | 17,378 |
| March | 4,241 | 3,845 | 11,533 | 11,225 | 1,346 | 1,108 | 1,230 | 1,290 | 18,350 | 17,468 |
| Apr11 .......... | 4,241 | 3,807 | 11,467 | 11,163 | 1,592 | 1,323 | 1,245 | 1,261 | 18,545 | 17,554 |
| May. | 4,23日 | 3,693 | 11,464 | 11,209 | 1,709 | 1,402 | 1,384 | 1,256 | 18,794 | 17,560 |
| June | 4,341 | 3,694 | 11,555 | 11,297 | 1,681 | 1,385 | 1,297 | 1,251 | 18,874 | 17,627 |
| July ........... | 4,325 | ... | 11,544 | ... | 1,644 | , | 1,238 |  | 18,801 |  |
| August ......... | 4,221 |  | 11,328 |  | 1,609 |  | 1,300 |  | 18,458 |  |
| September ...... | 4,172 |  | 11,324 |  | 1,560 |  | 1,440 |  | 10,496 |  |
| October | 4,113 |  | 11,349 |  | 1,448 |  | 1,268 |  | 18,178 |  |
| November | 4,092 |  | 11,328 |  | 1,252 |  | 1,284 |  | 17,956 |  |
| December | 3,850 |  | 11,229 |  | 1,090 |  | 1,287 |  | 17,438 |  |

(x) Minea with 15 or more employees.

