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## GOLDPRODUCTION

Gold production during December, 1957, totalled 367,578 fine ounces compared with 375,409 ine ounces in the previous month and with 364,019 ine ounces in December, 1956. The value of gold production in Decenber, 1957, was $\$ 12,578,519$ calculated at the average price paid by the Royal Canadian Mint.

Production in Decerber, included 320,092 Ine ounces frow auriferous quartz mines and 47,486 fine ounces from bese metal mines. Output from auriferous mines and placers increased 1.5 per cent, and production fram beae netal minea decreasel 2.6 per cont from Decomber, 1956.

Table 1 - Gold Productione by Provinces. 1956 and 1957

| Month | Nowroundland and Nowa Scatia | Quebec |  | 0ntar10 |  | Prairie provinces |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\frac{1956}{} 1957$ | 1956 | 2957 | 1956 | 1957 | 1956 | 1957 |


|  | (Fine ounces) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| January ...... | 587 | 822 | 94,013 | 82,729 | 213,814 | 213,927 (x) | 17,498 | 15,715 |
| February ..... | 929 | 792 | 91,823 | 79,119 | 198,986 | 201,397 | 16,117 | 15,235 |
| March ........ | 1,331 | 832 | 96,965 | 89,915 | 222,733 | 218,847 | 17,633 | 16,811 |
| April ........ | 822 | 802 | 88,695 | 82,845 | 218,567 | 220,985 | 17,122 | 15,764 |
| May. | 849 | 892 | 87,893 | 85,962 | 224,560 | 223,46? | 16,749 | 14,958 |
| June | 642 | 803 | 91,852 | 77,687 | 216,177 | 211,923 | 14,884 | 16,535 |
| July ......... | 861 | 872 | 87,057 | 85,099 | 193,804 | 201,639 | 16,862 | 17,873 |
| August ....... | 668 | 996 | 81,566 | 86,152 | 185,678 | 106,003 (x) | 17,631 | 17,500 |
| Septeaber .... | 656 | 720 | 78,274 | 85,991 | 196,170 | 208,777(x) | 15,940 | 16,206(x) |
| October ..... | 664 | 931 | 74,199 | 86,257 | 216,565 | 230,743(x) | 17,366 | 17,466 |
| November | 784 | 942 | 81,003 | 81,983(x) | 210,611 | 224,445(x) | 17,536 | 16,317 |
| December ..... | 699 | 712 | 82.719 | 85.100 | 216.247 | 216.997 | 17.700 | 16.482 |
| Total .. | 9,492 | 10,116 | 1,036,059 | 1,008,839 | 2,513,912 | 2,569,145 | 203,038 | 196,862 |


|  | British Columbia |  | Iukon |  | Northwest Territories |  | TOTAL |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1956 | 1957 | 1956 | 1057 | 1956 | 1957 | 1956 | 2957 |
|  |  |  |  | (Fine | nces) |  |  |  |
| Jonuary | 15,814 | 16,719 | 11 | - | 28,068 | 28,726 | 369,805 | 358,638(x) |
| February | 16,448 | 18,307 | 230 | 9 | 27,436 | 27,967 | 351,969 | 342,826 |
| March | 15,487 | 20,253 | 570 | - | 29,207 | 29,044 | 383,926 | 375,702 |
| April | 14,684 | 19,160 | 107 | 545 | 27,649 | 29,150 | 367,646 | 369,251 |
| May | 16,511 | 19,437 | 291 | 308 | 27,689 | 29,888 | 374,542 | 374,907 |
| June | 21,776 | 17,914 | 4,327 | 5,184 | 30,916 | 28,675 | 380,574 | 358,721 |
| July | 16,511 | 20,413 | 7,264 | 8,963 | 29,133 | 30,046 | 351,492 | 364,905 |
| tugust | 16,658 | 21,764 | 16,158 | 11,892 | 33,333 | 26,342 | 351,692 | 360,649(x) |
| September | 17,964 | 16,467 | 15,548 | 17,244 | 27,958 | 27,637 | 352,510 | 373,042 (x) |
| October. | 14,766 | 18,291 | 16,011 | 16,723 | 28,814 | 27,344 | 368,385 | 397,755(x) |
| Noveriber | 15,337 | 16,980 | 10,921 | 8,087 | 31,111 | 26,655 | 367,303 | 375,409(x) |
| December | 14.736 | 14.912 | -562 | 4.755 | 31.355 | 28,620 | 364,019 | 367.578 |
| Iotal .. | 196,692 | 220,617 | 72,001 | 73,710 | 352,669 | 340,094 | 4,383,863 | 4,419,383 |

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Table 2 - Production of Gold from Aurlferous Quarts and Base Metal Mines, 1956 and 1957

| Month | Gold production from base motal mines |  | Gold production from auriferous quartz mines and placer deposits |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | (Fine ounces) |  |  |  |
| January | 50,932 | 49,615 (x) | 318,873 | 309,023 |
| February | 47,060 | 47,811 | 304,909 | 295,015 |
| March | 55,138 | 55,089 | 328,788 | 320,613 |
| Aprdi ................. | 48,272 | 49,528 | 319,374 | 319,723 |
| May . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 49,413 | 43,279 | 325,129 | 331,628 |
| June | 56,437 | 46,152 (x) | 324,137 | 312,569(x) |
| July | 54,616 | 54, $561(x)$ | 29,846 | 310,344(x) |
| Auguat .................. | 53, 834 | 52,938(x) | 297,858 | 307,711(x) |
| Septsmber . . . . . . . . . . . | 46,141 | 50,094 (x) | 306,369 | 322,948(x) |
| Oetober | 45,477 | 55,434(x) | 322,908 |  |
| November | 47,064 | 51,044 ( $x$ ) | 319,339 | 324,365(x) |
| December | 48.760 | 47.48 | 315.259 | 320.098 |
| Total. | 604,074 | 603,031 | 3,779,789 | 3,816,352 |

Table 3 - Emplorment in Lode Gold Mines ( $x$ ) by Proyincern 1056 and 1057

| Month | $\frac{2 u \Leftrightarrow b e c}{1956} \frac{1957}{105}$ |  | Ontar10 |  | British Columbia |  | Other district: and provinces |  | CANADA |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | 1956 | 1957 | 1956 | 1957 | 1956 | 1957 | 1956 | $1957$ |
|  | (Number) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January .......... | 3,895 | 3,417 | 11,215 | 11,661 | 1,080 | 1,045 | 1,269 | 1,272 | 17,459 | 17,395 |
| Fobrusty | 3,877 | 3,468 | 11,138 | 11,611 | 1,112 | 1,011 | 1,251 | 1,271 | 17,378 | 17,361 |
| March | 3,845 | 3,445 | 11,225 | 11,646 | 1,108 | 1,029 | 1,290 | 1,286 | 17,468 | 17,406 |
| 4pril | 3,807 | 3,437 | 11,163 | 11,503 | 1,323 | 1,245 | 1,261 | 1,273 | 17,554 | 17,458 |
| May June | 3,693 3,694 | 3,422 3,427 | 21,209 | 11,590 | 1,402 | 1,386 | 1,256 | 1,265 | 17560 | 17,663 |
| Jund | 3,694 | 3,427 3,424 | 11,297 11,477 | 11,835 | 1,385 | 1,217 | 1,251 | 1,245 | 17,627 | 17,724 |
| August | 3,506 | 3,557 | 11,203 | 11,928 | 1,387 | 1,227 | 1,290 1,304 | 1,248 1,265 | 17,681 | 17,827 18,040 |
| September | 3,423 | 3,480 | 11,085 | 11,732 | 1,300 | 1,219 | 1,251 | 1,215 | 17,059 | 17,646 |
| October | 3,405 | 3,361 | 11,111 | 11,838 | 1,279 | 1,147 | 1,264 | 1,165 | 17,059 | 17,511 |
| November | 3,442 | 3,347 | 11,315 | 11,792 | 1,234 | 1,078 | 1,298 | 1,165 | 17,289 | 17,382 |
| December | 3,406 | ... | 11,401 | ... | 1,059 | ... | 1,285 | ... | 17,151 |  |

(x) Mines with 15 or more employees.

