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MONTHLY REPORT

PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS PRODUCTION IN CANADA, JANUARY, 1936

and

GASOLINE SALES IN CANADA, 1935.

PETROLEUM - The Canadian production of crude petroleum amounted to 121,231 barrels in January as compared with 125,658 barrels in the preceding month and 124,654 barrels in January, 1935, according to a statement just issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa.

Production from Alberta wells in January consisted of 101,368 barrels of crude naphtha and 1,349 barrels of light crude oil from the Turner Valley field, 1,300 barrels of light crude oil from the Red Coulee field, 974 barrels of heavy crude oil from the Wainwright field and 180 barrels of heavy crude oil from the Skiff field.

Exports of petroleum and its products from Canada in January were valued at $64,704; in December the value of these exports amounted to $38,969.

Canada imported petroleum, asphalt and their products to a value of $2,373,426 in January as against the preceding month's valuation of $2,255,859. The January imports were obtained from the following countries:- the United States, 70.2 per cent; Peru, 21.9 per cent; Colombia, 4.7 per cent; Venezuela, 2.8 per cent, and Germany, Great Britain, France, Belgium and Sweden, the remainder. Receipts of crude petroleum during January reached a total of 61,131,349 gallons, made up of 42,563,748 gallons from the United States, 11,606,891 gallons from Peru, 3,912,682 gallons from Colombia, and 3,048,028 gallons from Venezuela.

The output of crude oil and natural gasoline in the United States during January was recorded at 2,960,000 barrels per day; in December, 2,990,000 barrels per day were produced. California's production during the month was 5,020,000 barrels in excess of its quota; Louisiana exceeded its total by 1,436,000 barrels while Texas overproduced by 1,010,000 barrels.

Table 1 - PRODUCTION OF PETROLEUM IN CANADA, BY MONTHS, 1934 - 1936.

Month	1936(a)	1935(a)	1934
	Barrels	Barrels	Barrels
January	121,231	124,654	124,864
February		111,545	116,523
March		120,537	130,007
April		113,685	118,859
May		123,801	117,660
June		120,119	110,115
July		118,812	122,067
August		117,652	115,911
September		123,918	115,011
October		122,525	122,023
November		116,756	113,196
December		125,658	117,133
TOTAL		1,439,662	1,422,869

(a) Subject to revision.

Table 2 - PRODUCTION OF PETROLEUM IN CANADA

	DECEMBER 1935	JANUARY 1936	JANUARY 1935	TWELVE MONTHS ENDING DECEMBER 1935	TWELVE MONTHS ENDING DECEMBER 1934
	Barrels	Barrels	Barrels	Barrels	Barrels
NEW BRUNSWICK	1,026	1,013	784	10,981	11,106
ONTARIO	14,514	15,047	13,446	164,931	141,385
ALBERTA -					
Turner Valley - naphtha	106,319	101,368	106,173	1,208,321	1,210,766
Turner Valley - light crude	1,308	1,349	1,967	18,691	21,896
Red Coulee-Border-Keho - light crude	1,473	1,300	1,633	20,536	20,989
Wainwright- heavy crude	1,018	974	651	14,638	11,779
Skiff- heavy crude	...	180	...	1,564	510
TOTAL ALBERTA (a)	110,118	105,171	110,424	1,263,750	1,265,940
CANADA	125,658	121,231	124,654	1,439,662	1,422,869(b)

(a) Total well output.
(b) Includes output from the North West Territories.

NATURAL GAS - Natural gas production in Canada during January totalled 3,499,092 thousand cubic feet; in December, 2,982,607 thousand cubic feet were produced while in January, 1935, the output was 3,561,990 thousand cubic feet.

Mixed gas (natural and artificial) imported into Canada in January amounted to 6,709 thousand cubic feet worth $4,041 as compared with 7,144 thousand cubic feet valued at $4,812 imported in December.

Table 3 - PRODUCTION OF NATURAL GAS IN CANADA, BY MONTHS, 1934 - 1936.

Month	1936(a)	1935(a)	1934
	M cu.ft.	M cu.ft.	M cu.ft.
January	3,499,092	3,561,990	3,130,075
February		2,585,258	2,870,807
March		2,665,693	2,758,331
April		2,281,805	2,320,323
May		1,665,967	1,533,760
June		1,177,593	1,213,259
July		997,731	1,009,180
August		1,019,581	952,386
September		1,176,114	1,244,683
October		1,830,443	1,524,775
November		2,246,830	2,055,488
December		2,982,607	2,549,257
TOTAL		24,191,612	23,162,324

(a) Subject to revision.

GASOLINE - Sales of gasoline in Canada during 1935 rose to 573,652,000 imperial gallons from the 1934 total of 534,782,000 imperial gallons. Imports of natural casinghead gasoline into Canada in 1935 totalled 48,417,345 imperial gallons as against 48,376,014 imperial gallons imported in the preceding year. Receipts of gasoline lighter than .8235 specific gravity at 60 degrees temperature advanced to 19,614,867 imperial gallons from the 1934 total of 13,205,856 imperial gallons. Exports of gasoline and naphtha from Canada in 1935 amounted to 3,357,902 imperial gallons; in the previous year 4,757,175 imperial gallons were exported.

Table 4 - MONTHLY SALES OF GASOLINE IN CANADA, 1934 and 1935 (a)
(in thousands of gallons)

Month	P. E. I.	N.S.	N.B.	Quebec	Ontario	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	British Columbia	TOTAL
January ...	23	799	377	4,298	14,538	1,242	834	1,893	2,411	26,415
February ..	23	700	274	3,579	12,981	1,079	762	1,995	2,664	24,057
March	38	719	321	4,298	15,170	1,171	891	2,758	2,819	28,185
April	68	1,168	616	6,414	20,697	1,745	1,920	2,953	3,471	39,052
May	312	2,106	1,464	9,552	21,842	2,642	4,191	4,793	3,868	50,770
June	347	2,285	1,785	10,603	29,730	2,727	3,886	4,746	3,075	59,184
July	423	2,833	2,128	12,552	31,336	3,425	4,523	5,134	4,805	67,159
August	420	2,992	2,272	12,568	27,583	3,402	4,834	5,402	4,954	64,427
September .	357	2,589	1,976	11,499	33,244	3,426	7,157	5,920	4,417	70,585
October ...	377	2,531	1,870	11,038	23,618	3,592	6,416	5,981	4,215	59,638
November ..	268	2,025	1,333	9,100	22,939	2,257	2,250	3,106	3,744	47,022
December ..	176	1,527	769	6,677	19,003	1,775	1,502	2,762	2,967	37,158
TOTAL FOR 1935	2,832	22,274	15,185	102,178	272,681	28,483	39,166	47,443	43,410	573,652
TOTAL FOR 1934	2,640	20,003	13,640	93,511	252,977	27,694	36,785	45,194	42,338	534,782

(a) Compiled in the Transportation Branch of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics.

Table 5 - IMPORTS INTO CANADA AND EXPORTS OF GASOLINE, DECEMBER, 1935 and JANUARY, 1936.

	DECEMBER, 1935		JANUARY, 1936	
	Gallons	$	Gallons	$
IMPORTS -				
Natural casinghead, compression or absorption gasoline, lighter than .6690 specific gravity at 60° temperature -				
From - United States	1,936,217	137,768	580,013	36,083
Peru	...	...	2,500,877	177,603
TOTAL	1,936,217	137,768	3,080,890	213,686
Gasoline, lighter than .8235 specific gravity at 60° temperature -				
From - United Kingdom	450	180	...	...
United States	1,214,448	109,155	1,041,100	95,404
TOTAL	1,214,898	109,335	1,041,100	95,404
EXPORTS -				
Gasoline and naphtha	20,475	2,987	10,993	1,029