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MONTHLY REPORT

PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS PRODUCTION AND GASOLINE SALES IN CANADA - AUGUST, 1936.

CRUDE PETROLEUM - The Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa reports that the Canadian output of crude petroleum in August amounted to 139,789 barrels as compared with 139,940 barrels in July and 121,517 barrels in August, 1935. During the eight months ending August, 962,807 barrels were produced in Canada; in the corresponding months of 1935 the output was 957,275 barrels.

Production from Alberta sources advanced to 124,287 barrels from the July total of 122,771 barrels. The August output was made up of 120,644 barrels from the Turner Valley field, 1928 barrels from the Red Coulee field and 1,715 barrels from the Wainwright field.

The Canadian exports of petroleum and its products in August were valued at \$332,972 as against the July export valuation of \$63,759.

Canada imported petroleum, asphalt and their products to a value of \$5,536,291 in August; during the preceding month the imports were appraised at \$4,805,663. The August importations were obtained from the following countries: the United States, 75.8 per cent; Peru, 13.4 per cent; Colombia, 9.0 per cent; Venezuela, 1.1 per cent and India, Germany, Great Britain, Roumania, Switzerland, Belgium, the Netherlands, Alaska, Norway, France and Trinidad, the remainder. Crude petroleum importations into Canada in August included 104,768,639 gallons from the United States, 20,975,875 gallons from Peru, 18,301,641 gallons from Colombia and 3,787,891 gallons from Venezuela.

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

Month	1936(a)	1935	1934
	Barrels	Barrels	Barrels
January	121,231	123,940	124,364
February	107,928	116,403	116,523
March	117,824	119,333	130,007
April	107,748	114,417	118,859
May	114,297	125,035	117,660
June	114,050	120,400	110,115
July	139,940	122,230	122,067
August	139,789	121,517	115,911
September		124,540	115,011
October		123,546	122,023
November		117,048	113,196
December		124,795	117,133
TOTAL - Calendar Year		1,447,204	1,422,869
TOTAL - Eight months ending August	962,807	957,275	955,506

(a) Subject to revision.

Table 2 - PRODUCTION OF PETROLEUM IN CANADA

	JULY 1936	AUGUST 1936	AUGUST 1935	EIGHT MONTHS ENDING AUGUST	
	Barrels	Barrels	Barrels	1936 (a)	1935 (a)
NEW BRUNSWICK	2,095	1,968	1,893	11,885	8,721
ONTARIO	15,074	13,534	14,468	110,101	111,007
ALBERTA -					
Turner Valley - naphtha	118,715	119,707	97,706	809,270	793,018
Turner Valley - light crude	1,025	937	1,530	9,379	13,492
Red Coulee-Border-Keho - light crude .	1,411	1,928	1,794	12,291	14,353
Wainwright - heavy crude	1,620	1,715	1,711	9,571	10,445
Skiff - heavy crude .....	...	...	...	310	1,328
TOTAL ALBERTA (b)	122,771	124,287	102,741	840,821	832,636
CANADA	139,940	139,789	(c)121,517	962,807	(c)957,275

(a) Compiled from monthly reports.

(b) Total well output.

(c) Includes output from the North West Territories.

NATURAL GAS - The Canadian production of natural gas in August was recorded at 1,140,433 thousand cubic feet; the July output amounted to 1,210,414 thousand cubic feet. Production during August, 1935, totalled 1,054,043 thousand cubic feet. During the eight months ending August the Canadian output aggregated 18,159,602 thousand cubic feet or 10.7 per cent above the total for the corresponding period of 1935.

Customs' records show that Canada imported 9,729 thousand cubic feet of mixed gas (natural and artificial) worth \$5,837 as compared with 10,720 thousand cubic feet at \$7,383 imported in July.

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

Month	1936 (a)	1935	1934
January	3,499,092	3,630,583	3,130,075
February	4,011,882	2,669,417	2,870,807
March	2,838,626	2,735,637	2,758,331
April	2,297,181	2,343,337	2,320,323
May	1,784,601	1,724,827	1,533,760
June	1,377,373	1,216,101	1,213,259
July	1,210,414	1,034,769	1,009,180
August	1,140,433	1,054,043	952,386
September		1,215,747	1,244,683
October		1,893,058	1,524,775
November		2,312,485	2,055,488
December		3,080,782	2,549,257
TOTAL - Calendar Year		24,910,786	23,162,324
TOTAL - Eight months ending August .	18,159,602	16,408,714	15,788,121

(a) Subject to revision.

GASOLINE - The latest available information regarding gasoline sales in Canada is shown below in Table 4. The Canadian imports and exports of gasoline during July and August are recorded in Table 5.

Table 4 - MONTHLY SALES OF GASOLINE IN CANADA, 1935 and 1936 (a)
(in thousands of gallons)

Month	P. E. I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que- bec	Ontario	Mani- toba	Sas- kat- chewan	Al- berta	British Columbia	TOTAL
January	26	932	381	4,762	14,396	1,285	825	2,036	3,087	27,730
February ...	29	649	371	3,893	13,002	1,121	644	1,543	2,628	23,680
March	60	953	525	4,746	15,023	1,147	764	2,157	3,042	28,417
April	177	1,854	1,071	7,567	20,899	1,585	1,969	3,178	3,569	41,869
May	334	2,363	1,503	10,175	24,946	2,521	4,367	6,600	4,084	56,893
June	406	2,739	1,918	12,135	28,590	3,252	4,063	6,861	4,574	64,538
July	403	3,178	2,310	13,111	31,685	3,588	(b)	5,659	5,252	(b)
August	443	3,232	2,433	(b)	32,503	3,956	(b)	6,991	(b)	(b)
TOTAL - Eight months ending										
AUGUST, 1936-	1,878	15,900	10,512	(b)	181,044	18,455	(b)	35,025	(b)	(b)
TOTAL - Eight months ending										
AUGUST, 1935-	1,654	13,602	9,237	66,864	173,877	17,433	21,841	29,674	28,067	359,249
Month of										
August, 1935-	420	2,992	2,272	12,568	27,583	3,402	4,834	5,402	4,954	64,427

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

(b) Data not available.

Table 5 - IMPORTS INTO CANADA AND EXPORTS OF GASOLINE, JULY AND AUGUST, 1936.

	J U L Y		A U G U S T	
	Gallons	¢	Gallons	¢
<u>IMPORTS -</u>				
Natural casinghead, compression or absorption gasoline, lighter than .6690 specific gravity at 60° temperature -				
From - United States	2,139,969	146,763	976,196	43,869
Peru	2,575,637	115,517	...	...
TOTAL	4,715,606	262,280	976,196	43,869
Gasoline, lighter than .8235 specific gravity at 60° temperature -				
From - United States	2,326,103	206,149	1,865,522	173,596
Alaska	1,571	296	2,646	425
Roumania .....	... (a)	19,160	40,000	2,686
TOTAL	2,327,674	225,605	1,908,168	176,707
<u>EXPORTS -</u>				
Gasoline and naphtha	34,440	4,525	814,326	123,481

(a) Amending entry.

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