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## MONTHLY REPORT

## PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS PRODUCTION AND GASOLINE SALES IN CANADA - JANUARY, 1937.

CRUDE PETROLEUM - The Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa reports that the Canadian production of crude petroleum in January amounted to 141,078 barrels as compared with 139,701 barrels in December and 121,231 barrels in January, 1936.

Production from Alberta sources in January totalled 127,977 barrels, made up of 125,714 barrels from the Turner Valley field, 1,022 barrels from the Red Coulee field and 1,241 barrels from the Wainwright field. The Alberta output during December was recorded at 124,979 barrels.

The value of the exports of petroleum and its products in January advanced to \$154,569 from the December total of \$143,955.

Canada imported petroleum, asphalt and their products to a value of \$2,242,835 in January as compared with the preceding month's total of \$2,740,686. The January importations were obtained from the following countries: the United States, 82.4 per cent; Peru, 16.5 per cent; India, 0.6 per cent and Germany, Great Britain, Switzerland, Belgium, Sweden and Japan, the remainder. Crude petroleum importations during January totalled 54,709,437 gallons and consisted of 48,472,809 gallons from the United States and 6,236,628 gallons from Peru.

Table 1 - PRODUCTION OF PETROLEUM IN CANADA, BY MONTHS, 1935-- 1937.

Month	1937(a)	1936(a)	1935
	Barrels	Barrels	Barrels
January .....	141,078	121,231	123,940
February .....		107,928	110,403
March .....		117,824	119,333
April .....		107,748	114,417
May .....		114,297	125,035
June .....		114,050	120,400
July .....		139,940	122,230
August .....		139,789	121,517
September .....		135,623	124,540
October .....		137,004	123,546
November .....		129,152	117,048
December .....		139,701	124,795
TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR .....		1,504,287	1,447,204

(a) Subject to revision.

Table 2 - PRODUCTION OF PETROLEUM IN CANADA.

	DECEMBER 1936	JANUARY 1937	JANUARY 1936	TWELVE MONTHS ENDING DECEMBER	
	Barrels	Barrels	Barrels	1936(a)	1935(a)
NEW BRUNSWICK .....	969	26	1,013	18,377	13,359
ONTARIO .....	13,753	13,075	15,047	165,468	165,041
ALBERTA -					
Turner Valley - naphtha ....	121,429	124,748	101,368	1,274,119	1,208,321
Turner Valley - light crude	859	966	1,349	13,119	18,691
Red Coulee-Border-Keho-light crude .....	1,247	1,022	1,300	17,937	20,536
Wainwright - heavy crude ...	1,444	1,241	974	14,957	14,638
Skiff - heavy crude .....	...	...	180	310	1,564
TOTAL ALBERTA (b) .....	124,979	127,977	105,171	1,320,442	1,263,750
CANADA .....	139,701	141,078	121,231	1,504,287	1,447,204 (c)

(a) Compiled from monthly reports.

(b) Total well output.

(c) Includes output from the Northwest Territories.





NATURAL GAS - Natural gas production in Canada during January totalled 3,822,291 thousand cubic feet as compared with 3,055,635 thousand cubic feet in the preceding month and 3,499,092 thousand cubic feet in January, 1936, according to a statement just issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa.

Mixed gas (natural and artificial) imported into Canada in January amounted to 7,600 thousand cubic feet valued at \$5,543; in the previous month 9,382 thousand cubic feet worth \$5,629 were imported.

Table 3 - PRODUCTION OF NATURAL GAS IN CANADA(a), BY MONTHS, 1935 - 1937.

Month	1937(b)	1936(b)	1935
	M cu. ft.	M cu. ft.	M cu. ft.
January .....	3,822,291	3,499,092	3,630,583
February .....		4,011,882	2,669,417
March .....		2,838,626	2,735,637
April .....		2,297,181	2,343,337
May .....		1,784,601	1,724,827
June .....		1,377,373	1,216,101
July .....		1,210,414	1,034,769
August .....		1,140,433	1,054,043
September .....		1,430,039	1,215,747
October .....		1,961,024	1,893,058
November .....		2,469,043	2,312,485
December .....		3,055,635	3,080,782
TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR .....		27,075,343	24,910,786

(a) Does not include Turner Valley gas used for repressuring or waste gas burned in the field.

(b) Subject to revision.

GASOLINE - The latest available information on the sales of gasoline in Canada during January is shown below in Table 4. Imports into Canada and exports of gasoline during the month 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	Saskat- chewan	Al- berta	British Colum- bia	TOTAL
January, 1937 ..	129	1,130	810	5,795	17,786	1,344	906	2,829	2,864	33,792
January, 1936 ..	26	932	381	4,762	14,396	1,285	825	2,036	3,087	27,730
CALENDAR YEAR 1936 ....	3,089	25,248	17,477	109,835	282,628	30,582	39,672	60,388	48,723	617,842

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

Table 5 - IMPORTS INTO CANADA AND EXPORTS OF GASOLINE, DECEMBER, 1936 and JANUARY, 1937.

	DECEMBER		JANUARY	
	Gallons	\$	Gallons	\$
<b>IMPORTS -</b>				
Natural casinghead, compression or absorption gasoline, lighter than .6690 specific gravity at 60° temperature -				
From - United States .....	2,836,564	205,997	563,485	35,811
Peru .....	...	...	2,483,713	167,274
TOTAL .....	2,836,564	205,997	3,047,198	203,085
Gasoline, lighter than .8235 specific gravity at 60° temperature -				
From - Great Britain .....	...	...	...	...
United States .....	997,079	86,200	875,184	77,841
Alaska .....	60	12	...	...
TOTAL .....	997,139	86,212	875,184	77,841
<b>EXPORTS -</b>				
Gasoline and naphtha .....	18,572	2,697	721,316	109,659



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