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Production statistics for June relating to Canada's leading mineral products as compiled by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics show considerable increases in the output of copper, gold, gypsum, petroleum and zinc in comparison with the production in June, 1929.

The June output of copper from Canadian sources was 26,098,196 pounds, a decrease of 5.04 per cent from the May total, but an increase of 26.12 per cent over the June 1929 production. Ontario produced 10.95 million pounds during the current month, British Columbia 8.58 million pounds and Quebec and Nova Scotia 6.56 million pounds. The New York price for electrolytic copper was 12.775 cents per pound on June 1; a decline in price was recorded during the month and the closing price was 11.70 cents.

Gold production rose 3 per cent to a total of 175,481 cunces as compared with 170,360 cunces in June, 1929. The Ontario output was 146,153 cunces, consisting of 74,657 cunces from Kirkland Lake, 67,250 cunces from the Porcupine area and 4,430 cunces from other sources. British Columbia produced 15,356 cunces, Quebec 8,927 cunces and Nova Scotia, Manitoba and the Yukon the remainder.

Production of lead in Nova Scotia, Ontario, British Columbia and the Yukon was 28,891,665 pounds in June, an increase of 8.51 per cent over the total for last month, but a decrease of 7.73 per cent from the June output in 1929. London quotations for lead in June averaged 3.898 cents per pound as compared with 5.148 cents per pound during the corresponding month of last year.

Nickel production amounted to 8.58 million pounds as compared with 9.30 million pounds in June, 1929.

The output of silver was 3,104,405 ounces, a 42.05 per cent increase over the May total of 2,185,482 ounces, but a decrease of 14.99 per cent from the June 1929 production of 3,651,854 ounces. Ontario producers accounted for 26.51 per cent of the total Canadian silver output during the current month.

An appreciable advance was shown in the production of zinc in June; the total for the month was 22.5 million pounds, as compared with 19.9 million pounds in May and 16.6 million pounds in June last year. Zinc quotations averaged 3.572 cents per pound on the London market in June; during the corresponding month of 1929, the average was 5.148 cents per pound.

Canadian mines shipped 24,035 tons of asbestos during June. The total shipments during the first six months of 1930 amounted to 123,693 tons.

Coal mines in Canada produced 1,128,124 tons during June, a slight increase over the output in the preceding month, but a 10 per cent decrease from the 1925-1929 average for June of 1,257,384 tons. Bituminous coal mined during June amounted to 989,840 tons, sub-bituminous coal 29,737 tons and lignite coal 108,547 tons.

Shipments of feldspar in June were recorded at 1,355 tons as against 2,617 tons shipped during the same month of 1929.



Gypsum production reached a total of 237,511 tone during June, an increase of 52.88 per cent over the total for the corresponding month of last year.

Natural gas production was at approximately the same level as during June, 1929 and amounted to 1,304,570 thousand cubic feet.

The output of petroleum from Canadian wells in June was 121,403 barrels. Alberta's production, principally from the Turner Valley field, made up 91.15 per cent of the total and consisted of 100,719 barrels of crude naphtha, 7,696 barrels of light crude oil, and 2,244 barrels of heavy crude oil

Salt production, by Ontario and Nova Scotia operators, amounted to 25,510 tons in June. This total includes salt sold for commercial use and the salt content of brine used by producing companies.

Sales of cement by Canadian producers totalled 1,313,683 barrels in June as compared with 1,579,163 barrels sold during the corresponding month of 1929.

Canadian producers sold or used clay products valued at \$1,207,041 during June; in the same month last year sales were valued at \$1,526,565.

Quicklime and hydrated lime production in Canada totalled 43,587 tons, as compared with 53,312 tons produced in June, 1929. During the current month Ontario operators contributed 56.32 per cent of the total production.

PRODUCTION OF LEADING MINERALS IN CANADA.

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Gypsum tons 112,358 237,511 155.3	60 941,030 976,235
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Lead 1b. 26,625,102 28,891,665 31,310,9	005 155,383,507 172,204,062
Lime tons 47,664 43,587 53,3	12 279,814 252,326
Natural gas M cu. ft. 2,107,290 1,304,570 1,426,3	528 15,481,255 15.928,745
Nickel 1b. 9,538,891 8,584,699 9,299,8	340 54,998,075 55,113,525
Petroleum brls. 105,339 121,403 107.8	
Salt tons 26,534 25,510 29,8	
Silver fine oz 2,185,482 3,104,405 3,651,8	469,740 639.884
Zinc 1b. 19,896,561 22,506,558 16,574,6	329 469,740 639,884 154,843 146,484

