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#### MONTHLY REPORT

### SILVER, LEAD AND ZINC PRODUCTION IN CANADA - OCTOBER, 1936.

SILVER - The Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa reports that the Canadian output of silver in October advanced to 1,580,405 ounces from the preceding month's total of 1,328,661 ounces and the October, 1935, production of 1,323,659 ounces. Output during the first ten months of 1936 totalled 14,690,732 ounces as compared with 13,280,422 ounces in the corresponding period of 1935.

The average price of silver on the New York market (Handy & Harman) in October was the same as in September, namely, 44.7366 cents per ounce, in Canadian funds; valued at this price the Canadian production in October was worth \$707,019 and in September, \$594,398.

Customs' records show that Canada exported 1,044,336 ounces of silver bullion in October as against 416,994 ounces in September. Exports of silver in ore, concentrates, etc., from Cenada in October amounted to 530,427 ounces, of which the United States received 86.6 per cent; Belgium, 11.5 per cent, and Germany and Great Britain, the remainder.

Imports of silver bullion into Canada during the month under review totalled 388,494 ounces appraised at \$163,813; in September, 92,734 ounces worth \$40,529 were imported. The October importations were made up of 259,864 ounces from Great Britain and 128,630 ounces from the United States.

The United States production of silver in October advanced to 6,391,000 ounces from the preceding month's total of 5,524,000 ounces. Peru produced 1,495,000 ounces as against 1,525,000 ounces in September.

PRODUCTION OF STILVER IN CANADA

Month	1936(a)	1935	1934
	Ounces	Ounces	Ounces
January	1,213,488	1,265,225	1,486,254
February	1,235,039	1,025,258	1,467,187
March	1,460,402	1,289,011	1,043,488
April	1,461,621	1,025,273	1,021,799
May	1,419,146	1,665,133	1,511,970
June	1,656,683	1,524,740	1,261,732
July	1,795,927	1,183,820	1,299,227
August	1,539,360	1,630,399	1,803,613
September	1,328,661	1,347,904	1,322,132
October	1,580,405	1,323,659	1,302,645
November		1,616,355	1,535,268
December		1,721,781	1,354,967
TOTAL - Calendar Year		16,618,558	16,415,282
TOTAL - TEN MONTHS ending OCTOBER	14,690,732	13,280,422	13,525,047

<sup>(</sup>a) Subject to revision.

IMPORTS OF SILVER BULLTON INTO GREAT BRITAIN DURING OCTOBER, 1936.

	UNRE	FINED	REFINED		
	Troy ounces	£	Troy ounces	£	
British India	58,234	5,040	104,650	9,291	
British Malaya	***		32,406	2,700	
New Zealand			34,242	3,019	
Other British countries	4,971	354		• • •	
Germany			69,840	6,256	
Belgium	115,499	12,910	365	32	
France			331,577	27,567	
Switzerland			1,141	95	
Egypt	47	3		• • •	
Japan	649,829	46,775	1,251,436	110,414	
Argentine Republic	15,625	680			
Other Foreign countries	7,272	936	383,718	34,075	
TOTAL	851,477	66,698	2,209,375	193,449	

# WORLD PRODUCTION OF SILVER (000 fine ounces)

# SILVER STOCKS AT REFINERIES (000 fine ounces)

	SEPTEMBER 1936	OCTOBER 1936		SEPTEMBER 30th	OCTOBER 31st.
Mexico	7,078	5,417	United States	779	1.247
United States	5,524	6,391	Canada	545	510
Canada	1,329	1,530			
Peru	1,525	1,495			
Other countries	6,410	6,664			
TOTAL	21,866	21,547			

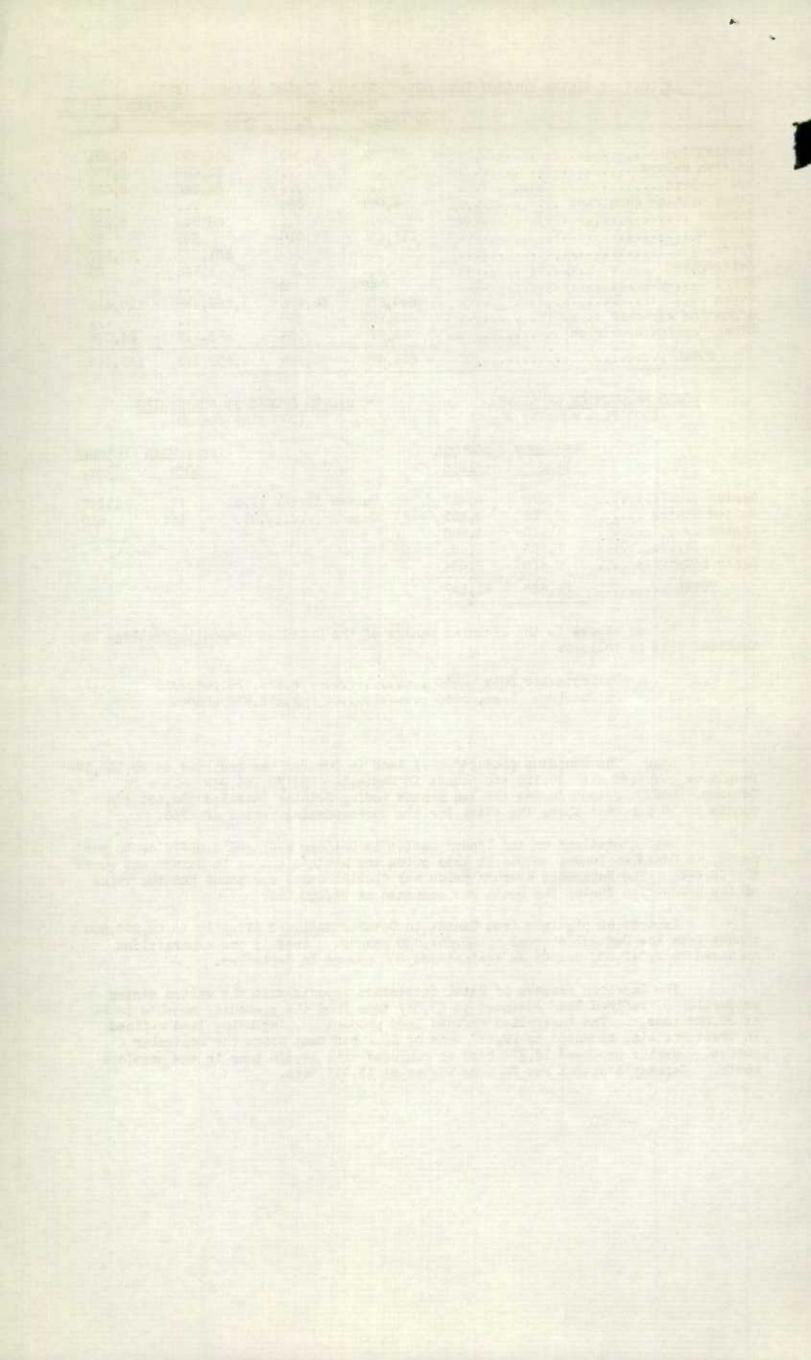
Silver stocks in the licensed vaults of the Canadian Commodity Exchange at Montreal were as follows:-

LEAD - The Canadian production of lead in October was recorded at 28,260,126 pounds as compared with 29,128,356 pounds in September and 32,986,982 pounds in October, 1935. Output during the ten months ending October totalled 304,491,458 pounds or 10 per cent above the total for the corresponding period of 1935.

Lead quotations on the London market in October averaged 4.03276 cents per pound, in Canadian funds; valued at this price the month's output in Canada was worth \$1,139,663. The September average price was 4.05122 cents per pound and the value of the production during the month was computed at \$1,180,054.

Exports of pig lead from Canada in October declined slightly to 28,273,800 pounds from the September total of 28,655,800 pounds. Lead in ore exportations amounted to 2,042,000 pounds as against 984,800 pounds in September.

The American Bureauu of Metal Statistics reports that the United States production of refined lead advanced to 39,317 tons from the preceding month's total of 29,788 tons. The Australian refined lead production, including lead refined in Great Britain, amounted to 19,487 tons or 16.1 per cent above the September output. Mexico produced 16,979 tons as compared with 18,675 tons in the previous month. Germany's output was 66 tons higher at 13,911 tons.



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Month	1936(a)	1935	1934
	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds
January	28,105,650	22,801,153	28,375,287
February	27,149,114	27,533,488	27,703,101
March	31,294,840	31,750,104	22,216,383
April	33,670,727	24,952,047	26,343,242
May	32,047,660	26,929,409	25,988,429
June	28,523,448	27,509,446	28,667,497
July	32,324,511	29,269,276	31,298,691
August	33,987,026	26,620,501	30,333,412
September	29,128,356	26,471,867	32,330,412
October	28,260,126	32,986,982	29,181,232
November		32,545,947	31,630,995
December		29,734,859	32,207,103
TOTAL - Calendar Year		339,105,079	346,275,576
TOTAL - TEN MONTHS ending OCTOBER	304,491,458	276,824,273	282,437,478

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IMPORTS OF LEAD(x) INTO GREAT	BRITAIN DURIN	G SEPTEMBER	AND OCTOBER,	1936.	
		SEPTEMBER		OCTOBER	
	Pounds	£	Pounds	£	
From - British India	5,936,000	48,737	_ 13,211,520	109,745	
Australia	33,891,200	276,935	25,347,840	209,959	
Canada	19,868,800	155,229	18,054,400	140,135	
United States	1,008,000	8,043		. 1	
Mexico	9,744,000	76,664	3,808,000	31,307	
Other Foreign countries	232,960	1,939	20,160	144	
TOTAL	70,680,960	567,607	60,441,920	491,291	

(x) Unwrought lead in pigs, ingots, blocks, bars, slabs and cakes.

ZINC - Canadian producers reported an output of 31,688,437 pounds of zinc in October as against 31,133,738 pounds in the preceding month and 27,575,751 pounds in October, 1935. Production during the ten months ending October advanced 9.7 per cent to 288,755,567 pounds from the output a year ago.

A slight advance has been recorded in the average price of zinc on the London market during the past three months; the August average was 3.03565 cents per pound in Canadian funds; the September average, 3.12823 cents per pound, and the October price, 3.18187 cents per pound. Based on these prices, the Canadian output during the three months was worth \$837,751, \$973,935, and \$1,008,285, respectively.

Canada exported 24,204,900 pounds of zinc spelter in October; during the preceding month 27,428,100 pounds were exported. Exportations of zinc in ore in October rose to 8,302,100 pounds from the September total of 2,481,800 pounds.

The world output of zinc in October reached a total of 142,697 tons; in September 134,083 tons were produced. The United States production amounted to 46,297 tons as against 42,283 tons in September. Output from German and Australian sources showed little change from the September figures; the totals were 12,493 tons and 12,600 tons, respectively.

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## PRODUCTION OF ZINC IN CANADA

Month	1936(a)	1935	1934
	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds
January February March April May June July August September October November	27,384,732 20,678,372 26,287,026 23,704,058 29,629,858 29,988,104 34,754,949 33,506,293 31,133,738 31,688,437	24,927,726 20,679,256 27,021,993 23,688,134 27,476,119 28,254,101 27,658,014 28,930,131 27,125,462 27,575,751 28,911,026	21,758,375 19,141,994 22,765,125 26,001,763 26,121,591 21,608,171 22,177,066 30,015,981 27,104,302 27,001,018 27,210,960
December TOTAL Calendar Year		23,402,146	27,673,337
TOTAL - TEN MONTHS ending OCTOBER	288,755,567	263,336,687	243,695,386

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IMPORTS OF ZINC(x) INTO GREAT BRITAIN DURING SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER, 1936.

	SEPTEM	SEPTEMBER		ER	
	Pounds	£	Pounds	2	
From - Australia	2,060,800	13,625	3,057,600	20,521	
Canada	19,335,680	130,306	21,248,640	140,615	
Other British countries	2,598,400	18,177	3,281,600	23,003	
Germany	33,600	238	168,000	1,091	
Belgium	2,914,240	18,240	10,433,920	67,221	
United States	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •		336,000	2,081	
Other Foreign countries .		9,097	1,220,800	7,875	
TOTAL	28,396,480	189,683	39,746,560	262,407	

<sup>(</sup>a) Unwrought zinc in ingots, blocks, bars, slabs and cakes.

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