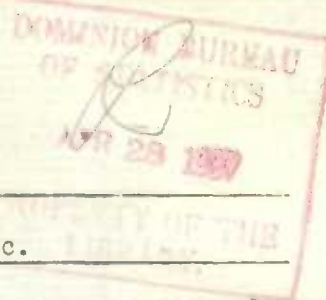


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MONTHLY REPORT

SILVER, LEAD AND ZINC PRODUCTION IN CANADA - JANUARY, 1937.

SILVER - The Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa reports that the Canadian output of silver in January amounted to 1,390,476 ounces. In December, 1,835,604 ounces were produced while in January, 1936, the production was 1,213,488 ounces.

Silver quotations on the New York market (Handy and Harman) averaged 44.9262 cents per ounce in January, in Canadian funds; based on this price, the Canadian output during the month was worth \$624,688. The December average price was 45.32025 cents per ounce and the value of the month's production was \$831,900.

Silver bullion exports during January advanced to 934,510 ounces from the preceding month's total of 683,142 ounces. Exportations of silver in ore, concentrates, etc., were recorded at 119,310 ounces as compared with 186,329 ounces exported in December.

Imports of silver bullion into Canada in January declined to 127,932 ounces worth \$56,026 from the December importations of 449,860 ounces valued at \$197,872. The United States supplied 93.3 per cent of the January imports and Great Britain, the remainder.

The estimated world production of silver in January was 23,165,000 ounces as compared with 19,594,000 ounces produced in December. Mexico produced 8,765,000 ounces in January; during the preceding month 3,748,000 ounces were produced. The United States output declined to 5,409,000 ounces from the December total of 6,135,000 ounces. The Peruvian production in January amounted to 1,600,000 ounces as against 1,684,000 in the previous month.

PRODUCTION OF SILVER IN CANADA

Month	1937(a)	1936(a)	1935
	Ounces	Ounces	Ounces
January .....	1,390,476	1,213,488	1,265,225
February .....		1,235,039	1,025,258
March .....		1,460,402	1,289,011
April .....		1,461,621	1,025,273
May .....		1,419,146	1,665,133
June .....		1,656,663	1,524,740
July .....		1,795,927	1,183,820
August .....		1,539,360	1,630,399
September .....		1,328,661	1,347,904
October .....		1,580,405	1,323,659
November .....		1,639,491	1,616,355
December .....		1,835,604	1,721,781
TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR .....		18,165,827	16,618,558

(a) Subject to revision.





IMPORTS OF SILVER BULLION INTO GREAT BRITAIN DURING JANUARY, 1937.

	UNREFINED		REFINED	
	Troy ounces	£	Troy ounces	£
British India .....	167,106	17,651	160,103	15,204
British Malaya .....	...	...	55,723	4,900
Hong Kong .....	17,094	1,600	...	...
Canada .....	...	...	160,450	14,429
Other British countries .....	275	24	...	...
Germany .....	...	...	130,460	12,196
Netherlands .....	...	...	338,368	31,325
Belgium .....	138,957	16,504	89,971	8,202
France .....	...	...	140,475	13,246
Japan .....	419,770	35,649	1,242,971	117,330
United States .....	71,166	6,526	265,343	24,139
Other Foreign countries .....	21,959	2,305	1,056,298	97,112
<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>836,327</b>	<b>80,259</b>	<b>3,640,162</b>	<b>338,083</b>

LEAD - Lead production in Canada during January amounted to 34,112,307 pounds; in December, 40,389,544 pounds were produced. while in January, 1936, the output was 28,105,650 pounds.

The average price of lead on the London market, in Canadian funds, in January was 5.97738 cents per pound, at which price the Canadian output during the month was worth \$2,039,022. In December, lead averaged 5.59604 cents per pound and the value of the month's production was \$2,260,215.

Exports of pig lead from Canada in January rose to 34,194,300 pounds from the December total of 22,459,100 pounds. Lead in ore, concentrates, etc., exported from Canada in January amounted to 504,500 pounds as against 377,300 pounds exported in December.

Refined lead production in the United States was recorded at 41,223 tons in January; during the preceding month 43,613 tons were produced. Stocks in the United States at the end of January totalled 169,776 tons; this represented a decline of 2,080 tons during the month. Mexico's output rose 4.9 per cent in January to 21,449 tons from the previous month's total of 20,442 tons. Australia's output in January was slightly higher at 19,637 tons. The German production was 6.3 per cent lower at 14,652 tons.

PRODUCTION OF LEAD IN CANADA

Month	1937(a)	1936(a)	1935
	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds
January .....	34,112,307	28,105,650	22,801,153
February .....		27,149,114	27,533,488
March .....		31,294,840	31,750,104
April .....		33,670,727	24,952,047
May .....		32,047,660	26,929,409
June .....		28,523,448	27,509,446
July .....		32,324,511	29,269,276
August .....		33,987,026	26,620,501
September .....		29,128,356	26,471,867
October .....		28,260,126	32,986,982
November .....		38,316,019	32,545,947
December .....		40,389,544	29,734,859
<b>TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR .....</b>		<b>383,197,021</b>	<b>339,105,079</b>

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IMPORTS OF LEAD(x) INTO GREAT BRITAIN DURING DECEMBER, 1936, AND JANUARY, 1937.

	DECEMBER, 1936		JANUARY, 1937.	
	Pounds	£	Pounds	£
From - British India .....	10,024,000	113,062	10,725,120	130,929
Australia .....	39,390,400	427,796	29,926,400	369,260
Canada .....	15,355,200	163,516	13,462,400	164,812
Other British countries .	29,120	213	109,760	922
Mexico.....	15,792,000	171,686	10,304,000	127,120
Other Foreign countries .	22,400	215	302,400	3,198
TOTAL .....	80,613,120	876,488	64,830,080	796,241

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

ZINC - The output of zinc by Canadian producers in January totalled 19,782,526 pounds as against 21,294,862 pounds in December and 27,384,732 pounds in January, 1936.

Zinc averaged 4.83622 cents per pound on the London market, in Canadian funds, in January; valued at this price, the Canadian output during the month was worth \$917,175. The December average price was 3.93146 cents per pound and the value of the month's production was \$837,199.

Canada exported zinc spelter to a total of 19,280,300 pounds in January as compared with 18,336,900 pounds exported in the preceding month. There were no exports of zinc in ore, concentrates, etc., from Canada in January.

The American Bureau of Metal Statistics estimates the world production of zinc in January at 137,815 tons or 4.9 per cent below the tonnage produced in December. Output in the United States in January amounted to 40,025 tons; in the previous month 47,050 tons were produced. On January 31st stocks of zinc in the United States totalled 34,143 tons or a decline of 10,613 tons during the month.

PRODUCTION OF ZINC IN CANADA

Month	1937(a)	1936(a)	1935
	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds
January .....	19,782,526	27,384,732	24,927,726
February .....		20,678,372	20,679,256
March .....		26,287,026	27,021,993
April .....		23,704,058	23,688,134
May .....		29,629,858	27,476,119
June .....		29,988,104	28,254,101
July .....		34,754,949	27,658,014
August .....		33,506,293	28,930,131
September .....		31,133,738	27,125,462
October .....		31,688,437	27,575,751
November .....		22,753,900	28,911,026
December .....		21,294,862	28,402,146
TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR .....		332,804,320	320,649,859

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IMPORTS OF ZINC(x) INTO GREAT BRITAIN DURING DECEMBER, 1936, AND JANUARY, 1937.

	DECEMBER, 1936		JANUARY, 1937	
	Pounds	£	Pounds	£
From - Australia .....	4,816,000	40,095	2,688,000	26,939
Canada .....	19,976,320	154,835	14,311,360	129,458
Other British countries .....	2,576,000	20,250	4,916,800	46,210
Belgium .....	13,157,760	103,806	7,170,240	66,794
United States .....	224,000	1,900	224,000	2,225
Other Foreign countries .....	2,468,640	19,338	889,280	8,280
TOTAL .....	43,238,720	340,224	30,199,680	279,906

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



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