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MONTHLY REPORT

SILVER, LEAD AND ZINC PRODUCTION IN CANADA - FEBRUARY, 1938.

SILVER - Silver production in Canada during February amounted to 1,430,848 ounces; in January, 1,571,052 ounces were produced while in February, a year ago, 1,322,833 ounces were produced, according to a statement just issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, at Ottawa.

The average price of silver on the New York market (Handy and Harman) was 44.736 cents per ounce, in Canadian funds; based on this price, the Canadian output in February was worth \$640,104. Silver averaged 44.754 cents per ounce in the preceding month and the value of the month's production was \$703,109.

Exports of silver bullion from Canada in February declined to 1,221,863 ounces from the January total of 1,379,872 ounces. Silver in ore, concentrates, etc. exported from Canada in February amounted to 160,872 ounces as against 285,424 ounces in the preceding month.

Silver bullion imports into Canada were recorded at 266,395 ounces valued at \$117,379; in January, 539,049 ounces at \$230,888 were imported. The February imports included 257,638 ounces from the United States and 8,757 ounces from Great Britain.

PRODUCTION OF SILVER IN CANADA

Month	1938(a)	1937(a)	1936
	Ounces	Ounces	Ounces
January.....	1,571,052	1,390,476	1,217,111
February.....	1,430,848	1,322,833	1,240,733
March.....		1,658,546	1,469,442
April.....		1,488,350	1,467,925
May.....		1,352,580	1,422,856
June.....		2,379,448	1,667,607
July.....		2,767,983	1,811,959
August.....		3,129,097	1,567,358
September.....		2,357,798	1,352,420
October.....		1,933,964	1,593,017
November.....		1,615,990	1,676,751
December.....		1,366,034	1,847,308
TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR.....		22,763,099	18,334,487
TOTAL - TWO MONTHS ENDING FEBRUARY.....	3,001,900	2,713,309	2,457,844

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The following table shows the number of persons in the United States in 1906, by race, sex, and age. The total population was 77,896,000. The white population was 62,628,000, the colored population was 12,612,000, and the foreign-born population was 2,656,000. The population of the United States in 1906 was 77,896,000, which was an increase of 1,100,000 from the population in 1900. The increase was due to an increase in the birth rate and a decrease in the death rate. The population of the United States in 1906 was 77,896,000, which was an increase of 1,100,000 from the population in 1900. The increase was due to an increase in the birth rate and a decrease in the death rate.

POPULATION BY RACE AND SEX			
	White	Colored	Foreign-born
Total	62,628,000	12,612,000	2,656,000
Male	31,314,000	6,306,000	1,328,000
Female	31,314,000	6,306,000	1,328,000
Under 15 years	15,157,000	3,153,000	664,000
15 to 64 years	28,286,000	5,706,000	1,140,000
65 years and over	19,185,000	3,753,000	852,000
Under 15 years	15,157,000	3,153,000	664,000
15 to 64 years	28,286,000	5,706,000	1,140,000
65 years and over	19,185,000	3,753,000	852,000
Total	62,628,000	12,612,000	2,656,000
Male	31,314,000	6,306,000	1,328,000
Female	31,314,000	6,306,000	1,328,000

(a) Foreign-born population



IMPORTS OF SILVER BULLION INTO GREAT BRITAIN DURING FEBRUARY, 1938.

	UNREFINED		REFINED	
	Troy ounces	£	Troy ounces	£
Union of South Africa.....	4,853	203	-	-
Southern Rhodesia.....	31,593	904	-	-
British East Africa.....	359	11	-	-
British India.....	-	-	1,907,762	162,988
British Malaya.....	-	-	46,425	3,938
Australia.....	-	-	700,035	61,861
New Zealand.....	-	-	51,195	4,470
Canada.....	-	-	109,769	9,588
British West India Islands and Br. Guiana	127	5	-	-
Germany.....	-	-	382,724	34,562
Netherlands.....	-	-	642,989	58,447
Belgium.....	112,554	11,600	136,398	12,423
France.....	-	-	193,697	16,012
Switzerland.....	-	-	12,992	10,830
Other Foreign countries.....	18,045	3,245	3,283	260
TOTAL.....	167,531	15,968	4,187,269	375,379

LEAD - Canadian producers reported an output of 26,786,559 pounds of lead in February; during the preceding month, 37,522,125 pounds were produced and in February, 1937, the output was 28,504,743 pounds.

Lead quotations on the London market in February averaged 3.44 cents per pound, in Canadian funds; valued at this price, the month's output in Canada was worth \$921,458. In January, the average price was 3.592 cents per pound and the value of the month's production was \$1,347,795.

Customs records show that Canada exported 18,615,000 pounds of pig lead in February as compared with 32,032,500 pounds in the preceding month. There were no exports of lead in ore, concentrates, etc. from Canada in February; during the preceding month, 109,400 pounds were exported.

The refined lead production of the world in February totalled 147,295 tons; in January, 161,036 tons were produced. The United States output was recorded at 33,555 tons as against 37,651 tons in January. Stocks in the United States increased 4,733 tons in February to 138,134 tons. Mexico produced 17,229 tons; in January, 21,037 tons were produced. Australia's output, including Australian lead refined in Great Britain, amounted to 19,262 tons or 8.6 per cent below the preceding month's total.

PRODUCTION OF LEAD IN CANADA

Month	1938(a)	1937(a)	1936
	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds
January.....	37,522,125	34,112,307	28,105,650
February.....	26,786,559	28,504,743	27,149,114
March.....	-	35,207,467	31,294,840
April.....	-	35,154,985	33,670,727
May.....	-	34,183,050	32,047,660
June.....	-	33,276,801	28,523,448
July.....	-	31,321,744	32,324,511
August.....	-	40,590,985	33,987,026
September.....	-	40,875,577	29,128,356
October.....	-	40,769,961	28,260,126
November.....	-	33,824,605	38,316,019
December.....	-	26,373,673	40,373,432
TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR.....	-	414,195,898	383,180,909
TOTAL - TWO MONTHS ENDING FEBRUARY...	64,308,684	62,617,050	55,254,764

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IMPORTS OF LEAD(x) INTO GREAT BRITAIN DURING JANUARY AND FEBRUARY, 1938.

	January		February	
	Pounds	£	Pounds	£
British India.....	10,586,240	80,428	8,568,000	60,407
Australia.....	52,763,200	395,071	25,921,280	182,181
Canada.....	23,184,000	177,125	22,908,480	163,721
Other British Countries.....	-	-	4,480	28
Mexico.....	7,504,000	55,959	10,752,000	77,119
Other Foreign Countries.....	-	-	224,000	1,708
TOTAL.....	94,037,440	708,583	68,378,240	485,164

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







ZINC - Canada produced 29,025,024 pounds of zinc in February as compared with 34,865,607 pounds in January and 19,896,396 pounds in February, 1937.

The average price of zinc on the London market in February was 3.218 cents per pound, in Canadian funds, at this price, the Canadian output during the month was worth \$934,025. Quotations in January averaged 3.338 cents per pound and the value of the month's output was \$1,163,814.

Exports of zinc spelter in February declined to 20,951,200 pounds from the January exportations of 30,095,900 pounds. Zinc, in ore, concentrates, etc. exported rose to 6,778,600 pounds in February; the January total was 1,252,800 pounds.

The world production of zinc was estimated at 140,542 tons or a daily rate of 5,019 tons; in January, the output was 157,519 tons or 5,081 tons per day. Production in the United States declined to 41,146 tons from the preceding month's total of 48,687 tons; stocks increased 19,606 tons in February to 108,138 tons. A further reduction in unfilled orders was shown in February, the total at the end of the month was 38,891 tons as against 45,400 tons on January 31st.

#### PRODUCTION OF ZINC IN CANADA

Month	1938(a)	1937(a)	1936
	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds
January .....	34,865,607	19,316,188	27,415,869
February .....	29,025,024	19,896,396	20,701,884
March.....		31,116,491	26,316,915
April.....		32,502,061	23,731,010
May.....		30,992,408	29,663,548
June.....		35,165,425	30,022,201
July.....		36,298,712	34,794,466
August.....		38,344,676	33,544,390
September.....		30,284,709	31,169,138
October.....		36,400,544	31,724,468
November.....		30,596,302	22,779,772
December.....		29,911,751	21,319,075
TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR.....		370,825,663	333,182,736
TOTAL - TWO MONTHS ENDING FEBRUARY.....	63,890,631	39,212,584	48,117,753

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#### IMPORTS OF ZINC (x) INTO GREAT BRITAIN DURING JANUARY AND FEBRUARY, 1938.

	JANUARY		FEBRUARY	
	Pounds	£	Pounds	£
From -				
Northern Rhodesia.....	638,400	5,583	112,000	904
Australia.....	2,576,000	18,953	3,292,800	23,922
Canada.....	18,368,000	150,788	17,169,600	134,145
Other British countries .....	112,000	982	-	-
Belgium.....	11,426,240	79,171	10,440,640	70,080
United States .....	-	-	-	-
Other Foreign countries.....	2,208,640	17,141	1,879,360	13,410
TOTAL.....	35,329,280	272,618	32,894,400	242,461

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



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TABLE 1. (A) - 1997

Province	1997	1996	1995
Alberta	1,100,000	1,050,000	1,000,000
Saskatchewan	1,000,000	950,000	900,000
Manitoba	1,000,000	950,000	900,000
Ontario	1,000,000	950,000	900,000
Quebec	1,000,000	950,000	900,000
Atlantic	1,000,000	950,000	900,000
Total	1,000,000	950,000	900,000

TABLE 1. (B) - 1997

Province	1997	1996	1995
Alberta	1,100,000	1,050,000	1,000,000
Saskatchewan	1,000,000	950,000	900,000
Manitoba	1,000,000	950,000	900,000
Ontario	1,000,000	950,000	900,000
Quebec	1,000,000	950,000	900,000
Atlantic	1,000,000	950,000	900,000
Total	1,000,000	950,000	900,000