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Monthly ReportSILVER, LEAD AND ZINC PRODUCTION IN CANADA, MARCH, 1948

Silver - Output in Canada of primary silver in all forms amounted to 1,100,285 fine ounces in March, 1948, compared with 1,035,568 fine ounces in the preceding month, and with 1,048,002 fine ounces in March, 1947.

Table 1 - Production of Primary (x) Silver in Canada, 1946 - 1948

Month	1 9 4 6	1 9 4 7	1 9 4 8
	(fine ounces)		
January	1,172,602	767,654	958,226
February	1,013,668	896,329	1,035,568 (x)
March	1,028,797	1,048,002	1,100,285
Total - Three Months	3,215,067	2,711,985	3,094,079
April	1,135,744	851,464	
May	1,011,263	930,368	
June	1,142,305	1,085,180	
July	1,233,310	1,028,712	
August	1,155,447	1,062,360	
September	929,005	924,302	
October	906,467	1,047,174	
November	820,218	953,896	
December	995,274	921,136	
Total	12,544,100	11,516,577	

(x) New silver bullion plus recoverable silver in other smelter products and in ores and concentrates exported.

(x) Revised.

Table 2 - Exports from Canada of Refined Silver and Silver in Ores, 1947 and 1948

Month	1 9 4 7		1 9 4 8	
	Refined	In ores and concentrates	Refined	In ores and concentrates
	(fine ounces)			
January	767,929	138,923	523,748	104,070
February	466,590	92,759	385,443	102,283
March	1,010,025	133,893	760,562	187,332
Total - Three Months	2,244,544	365,575	1,669,753	393,685
April	536,110	382,079		
May	937,784	147,241		
June	426,849	88,854		
July	784,870	136,411		
August	1,082,564	85,378		
September	459,469	842,115		
October	560,540	153,565		
November	101,425	274,391		
December	380,218	246,652		
Total	7,514,373	2,722,261		

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Lead - Production of primary lead in all forms in Canada during March, 1948, amounted to 12,477 tons compared with 12,966 tons in the preceding month, and with 14,425 tons in March, 1947.

Table 3 - Production of Lead in Canada, 1947 and 1948

Month	Primary(x) Lead in All Forms		Refined Lead	
	1 9 4 7	1 9 4 8	1 9 4 7	1 9 4 8
	(Tons)			
January	12,576	11,067	13,385	10,845
February	12,636	12,966	13,252	10,645
March	14,425	12,477	14,857	13,409
Total - Three Months ...	39,637	36,510	41,494	34,899
April	12,925		14,014	
May	12,836		14,837	
June	14,348		14,470	
July	14,052		12,475	
August	13,612		9,140	
September	13,261		13,899	
October	12,787		14,139	
November	14,651		13,726	
December	10,943		13,806	
Total	159,052		162,000	

(x) New base bullion plus recoverable lead in ores and concentrates exported.

Table 4 - Exports from Canada of Refined Lead and Lead in Ores, by Months, 1948

Month	Lead in Ore		Lead in Pigs	
	Tons	Value	Tons	Value
		\$		\$
January	104	19,332	9,955	2,471,906
February	207	34,058	4,181	1,023,200
March	562	124,000	10,350	2,714,372

Zinc - Production of primary zinc in all forms in Canada in March, 1948 amounted to 18,598 tons compared with 17,527 tons in the preceding month and with 16,963 tons in March, 1947.

Table 5 - Production of Zinc in Canada, 1947 and 1948

Month	(x) Primary Zinc in all Forms		Refined Zinc	
	1 9 4 7	1 9 4 8	1 9 4 7	1 9 4 8
	(Tons)			
January	17,531	17,166	14,198	14,449
February	16,014	17,527	13,335	14,425(f)
March	16,963	18,598	13,969	14,824
Total - Three Months ..	50,508	53,291	41,502	43,698
April	18,171		15,076	
May	17,971		14,948	
June	17,907		14,742	
July	18,028		14,783	
August	16,709		14,223	
September	17,912		14,782	
October	18,611		15,372	
November	18,735		15,877	
December	19,428		16,806	
Total	213,980		178,111	

(x) New refined zinc plus recoverable zinc in ores and concentrates exported.

(f) Revised.

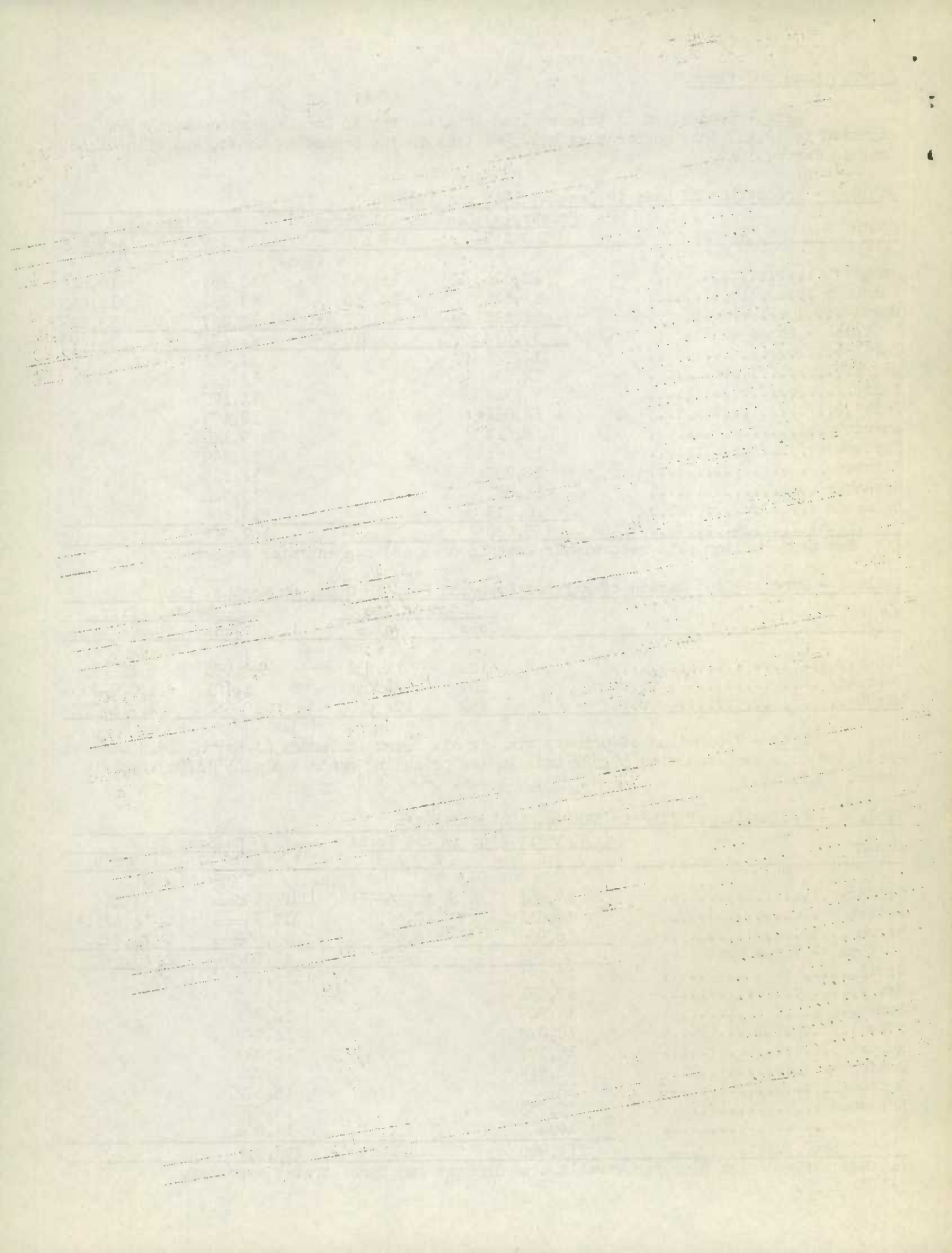


Table 6 - Exports from Canada of Refined Zinc and Zinc in Ore, by Months, 1948

Month	Zinc in Ore		Zinc Spelter	
	Tons	Value	Tons	Value
		\$		\$
January	2,578	198,384	8,184	1,666,813
February	3,813	291,894	4,642	1,013,228
March	4,422	341,701	12,926	2,908,592

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