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SILVER, LEAD AND ZINC PRODUCTION

Silver - Output in Canada of primary silver in all forms amounted to 2,264,903 fine ounces in February, 1959, compared with 3,094,440 fine ounces in the previous month and with 2,294,655 fine ounces in February, 1958.

Table 1 - Production of Silver (*), 1957-1959

Month	1957	1958	1959
	(Fine Ounces)		
January	2,203,631	2,529,583	3,094,440 (x)
February	2,076,679	2,294,655	2,264,903
Total two months	4,280,310	4,824,238	5,359,343
March	2,391,316	2,448,698	
April	2,270,638	2,558,958	
May	2,156,185	2,650,665	
June	2,253,584	2,527,632	
July	2,417,347	2,385,687	
August	2,667,468	2,884,154	
September	2,354,397	2,856,304	
October	2,853,815	2,390,027	
November	2,600,254	2,643,790	
December	2,577,984	2,917,528	
Total	28,823,298	31,087,681	

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

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Table 2 - Exports of Refined Silver and Silver in Ores, 1958 and 1959

Month	1958		1959	
	Refined	In ores and concentrates	Refined	In ores and concentrates
	(Fine ounces)			
January	1,448,936	634,715	1,600,217	185,367
February	1,128,376	208,149	1,044,603	329,742
Total two months	2,577,312	842,864	2,644,820	515,109
March	1,140,604	350,827		
April	1,089,081	284,971		
May	1,133,663	376,082		
June	1,116,113	438,253		
July	1,080,690	529,770		
August	1,267,840	279,511		
September	1,593,068	583,570		
October	1,718,796	323,475		
November	1,510,961	217,892		
December	1,798,422	871,573		
Total	16,026,550	5,098,788		

Lead - Production of primary lead in all forms (the recoverable lead content of Canadian ores) during February, 1959, amounted to 15,923 tons compared with 17,118 tons in the previous month and with 14,908 tons in February, 1958.

Table 3 - Production of Lead, 1958 and 1959

Month	Recoverable lead (*) in Canadian ores		Refined lead, all sources	
	1958	1959	1958	1959
	(Tons)			
January	17,117	17,118 (x)	12,672	14,073
February	14,908	15,923	11,432	...
Total two months	32,025	33,041	24,104	
March	15,421		12,837	
April	15,644		11,785	
May	15,131		12,212	
June	15,645		12,706	
July	14,076		7,175	
August	12,260		6,940	
September	15,401		10,908	
October	14,564		12,598	
November	16,680		10,645	
December	18,248		11,076	
Total	185,095		132,986	

(*) New base bullion from Canadian ores plus recoverable lead in ores or concentrates shipped for export.

(x) Revised.

Table 4 - Exports of Refined Lead and Lead in Ores, by Months, 1959

Month	Lead in ore		Lead in pigs	
	Tons	\$	Tons	\$
January	3,318	613,663	5,034	842,184
February	2,091	613,240	6,377	967,005
Total two months	5,409	1,226,903	11,411	1,809,189

Zinc - Production of primary zinc in all forms (the recoverable zinc content of Canadian ores) during February, 1959, amounted to 29,790 tons compared with 35,323 tons in the previous month and with 33,995 tons in February, 1958.

Output of refined zinc, including amounts recovered from foreign ores treated in Canadian smelters, totalled 19,709 tons in February, 1959, compared with 19,743 tons in the corresponding month of last year.

Table 5 - Production of Zinc, 1958 and 1959

Month	Recoverable zinc (★) in Canadian ores		Refined zinc, all sources	
	1958	1959	1958	1959
	(Tons)			
January	37,760	35,323 (x)	21,801	21,456
February	33,995	29,790	19,743	19,709
Total two months	71,755	65,113	41,544	41,165
March	37,644		22,314	
April	34,723		20,989	
May	34,917		21,269	
June	34,381		20,353	
July	35,189		20,873	
August	35,350		21,152	
September	35,138		20,530	
October	35,033		21,125	
November	35,152		20,273	
December	34,834		21,705	
Total	424,116		252,127	

(★) New refined zinc from Canadian ores plus recoverable zinc in ores and concentrates shipped for export.

(x) Revised.



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Table 6 - Exports of Refined Zinc and Zinc in Ores, by Months, 1959

Month	Zinc in ore		Zinc in spelter	
	Tons	⌘	Tons	⌘
January	13,566	1,500,533	9,313	1,573,139
February	12,675	1,612,560	15,945	2,744,728
Total two months	26,241	3,113,093	25,258	4,317,867

Table 7 - Consumption of Refined Zinc, 1958 and 1959 (*)

Month	Refined Zinc	
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	(Tons)	
January	3,573	5,345
February	4,301	5,756
Total two months.	7,874	11,101
March	4,634	
April	5,455	
May	4,612	
June	6,339	
July	4,674	
August	3,893	
September	5,011	
October	6,251	
November	6,087	
December	5,092	
Total	59,922	

(*) Producers' shipments to domestic consumers.