

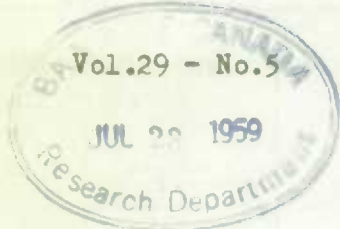
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SILVER, LEAD AND ZINC PRODUCTION

Silver - Output in Canada of primary silver in all forms amounted to 2,481,875 fine ounces in May, 1959, compared with 2,691,346 fine ounces in the previous month and with 2,650,665 fine ounces in May, 1958.

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

Month	1957	1958	1959
	(Fine Ounces)		
January	2,203,631	2,529,583	3,094,440
February	2,076,679	2,294,655	2,264,903
March	2,391,316	2,448,698	2,782,307
April	2,270,638	2,558,958	2,691,346 (x)
May	2,156,185	2,650,665	2,481,875
Total five months	11,098,449	12,482,559	13,314,871
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
March	1,140,604	350,827	1,415,922	425,973
April	1,089,081	284,971	1,252,800	989,593
May	1,133,663	376,082	1,483,478	564,017
Total five months	5,940,660	1,854,744	6,797,020	2,494,692
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 May, 1959, amounted to 16,813 tons compared with 16,237 tons in the previous month and with 15,131 tons in May, 1958.

Table 3 - Production of Lead, 1958 and 1959

Month	Recoverable lead (A) in Canadian ores		Refined lead, all sources	
	1958	1959	1958	1959
	(Tons)			
January	17,117	17,118	12,672	14,073
February	14,908	15,923	11,432	12,740
March	15,421	17,389	12,837	13,704
April	15,644	16,237	11,785	13,655
May	15,131	16,813	12,212	...
Total five months	78,221	83,480	60,938	
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		11,077	
Total	185,095		132,987	

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

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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	5,084	853,443
February	2,091	613,240	6,377	967,005
March	3,355	731,665	11,831	1,859,684
April	3,241	641,822	7,836	1,229,527
May	1,954	334,134	12,230	1,921,450
Total five months	13,959	2,934,524	43,358	6,831,109

Zinc - Production of primary zinc in all forms (the recoverable zinc content of Canadian ores) during May, 1959, amounted to 33,602 tons compared with 33,087 tons in the previous month and with 34,197 tons in May, 1958.

Output of refined zinc, including amounts recovered from foreign ores treated in Canadian smelters, totalled 21,147 tons in May, 1959, compared with 21,269 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	21,801	21,456
February	33,995	29,790	19,743	19,709
March	37,644	34,093	22,314	22,135
April	34,723	33,087(x)	20,989	21,512
May	34,197	33,602	21,269	21,147
Total five months	178,319	165,895	106,116	105,959
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		21,671	
Total	424,116		252,093	

(*) 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
March	14,617	2,190,577	22,731	3,935,557
April	12,789	1,478,251	7,691	1,286,241
May	11,049	1,289,190	20,647	3,527,468
Total five months	64,696	8,071,111	76,327	13,067,133

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
March	4,634	5,991
April	5,455	4,720
May	4,612	6,106
Total five months	22,575	27,918
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.