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SILVER, LEAD AND ZINC PRODUCTION

Silver - Output in Canada of primary silver in all forms amounted to 2,876,395 fine ounces in March, 1961, compared with 2,524,219 fine ounces in the previous month and with 2,739,583 fine ounces in March, 1960.

TABLE 1. Production of Silver (1), 1959-61

Month	1959	1960	1961
	fine ounces		
January	3,094,440	2,755,069	2,515,148
February	2,264,903	2,864,074	2,524,219
March	2,782,307	2,739,583	2,876,395
Total three months	8,141,650	8,358,726	7,915,762
April	2,691,503	2,588,829	
May	2,499,149	2,354,657	
June	2,676,937	2,971,473	
July	2,867,957	2,919,664	
August	2,519,033	2,650,110	
September	2,446,846	2,468,268	
October	3,072,219	2,878,221	
November	2,334,137	3,086,228	
December	2,674,538	3,483,278	
Totals	31,923,969	33,759,454	

1 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, 1960 and 1961

Month	1960		1961	
	Refined	In ores and concentrates	Refined	In ores and concentrates
	fine ounces			
January	1,008,632	887,242	480,445	1,243,251
February	932,155	1,312,006	..	..
March	980,394	740,465	..	..
Total three months	2,921,181	2,939,713		
April	1,665,919	809,500		
May	859,810	491,805		
June	1,079,584	545,610		
July	1,253,088	752,373		
August	416,225	911,124		
September	1,175,578	445,091		
October	1,018,192	659,646		
November	919,015	371,213		
December	1,452,471	971,327		
Totals	12,761,063	8,897,402		

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Lead - Production of primary lead in all forms (the recoverable lead content of Canadian ores) during March, 1961, amounted to 18,951 tons compared with 19,054 tons in the previous month and with 16,887 tons in March, 1960

TABLE 3. Production of Lead, 1960 and 1961

Month	Recoverable lead (1) in Canadian ores		Refined lead, all sources	
	1960	1961	1960	1961
	tons			
January	16,284	20,672	11,664	15,649
February	16,397	19,054	12,459	14,449
March	16,887	18,951	13,967	..
Total three months	49,568	58,677	38,090	
April	16,269		13,261	
May	16,558		13,467	
June	17,534		13,017	
July	18,039		11,494	
August	16,801		13,218	
September	16,759		12,797	
October	15,983		12,863	
November	17,192		13,702	
December	20,204		16,601	
Totals	204,907		158,510	

1 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, 1961.

Month	Lead in ores concentrates and dross, etc.		Lead in pigs, blocks and shot ⁽¹⁾	
	tons	\$	tons	\$
	January	11,007	1,297,948	9,203	1,303,441
February .....	..	..	..	..
March .....	..	..	..	..
Total three months				

(1) Excludes antimonial lead and type metal.

Zinc - Production of primary zinc in all forms (the recoverable zinc content of Canadian ores) during March, 1961, amounted to 30,282 tons compared with 27,586 tons in the previous month and with 36,399 tons in March, 1960.

Output of refined zinc, including amounts recovered from foreign ores treated in Canadian smelters, totalled 23,190 tons in March, 1961, compared with 22,549 tons in the corresponding month of last year.

TABLE 5. Production of Zinc, 1960 and 1961

Month	Recoverable zinc (1) in Canadian ores		Refined zinc, all sources	
	1960	1961	1960	1961
		tons		
January	34,980	32,724	22,247	22,848
February	32,309	27,586 ^r	21,055	21,073
March	36,399	30,282	22,549	23,190
Total three months	103,688	90,592	65,851	67,111
April	35,291		21,391	
May	33,362		21,701	
June	33,674		21,294	
July	31,711		20,860	
August	33,126		21,203	
September	34,997		21,633	
October	37,607		22,628	
November	34,845		21,886	
December	31,307		22,521	
Totals	409,608		260,968	

1 New refined zinc from Canadian ores plus recoverable zinc in ores and concentrates shipped for export.

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TABLE 6. Exports of Refined Zinc and Zinc in Ores, by months, 1961

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Month	Zinc in ores, concentrates and dross		Zinc in slabs and bars	
	tons	\$	tons	\$
January	25,671	2,091,326	15,608	3,175,223
February
March
Total three months				

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TABLE 7. Consumption (1) of Refined Zinc, 1960 and 1961

Month	Refined zinc	
	1960	1961
	tons	
January	5,867	3,669
February	5,371	4,579
March	4,714	5,062
Total three months	15,952	13,310
April	5,477	
May	4,551	
June	4,494	
July	2,959	
August	4,236	
September	4,328	
October	4,001	
November	5,311	
December	2,148	
Total	53,457	

1 Producers' shipments to domestic consumers.