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MONTHLY REPORT

FELDSPAR AND SALT PRODUCTION IN CANADA - DECEMBER, 1936.

FELDSPAR - Shipments of feldspar by Canadian producers in December amounted to 1,500 tens, according to a report just issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa. In November, 1,820 tens were shipped while in December, 1935, shipments totalled 1,202 tens.

Ground feldspar importations into Canada in December were recorded at 38 tons valued at \$773 as compared with 84 tons at \$1,537 imported in the preceding month. Imports during the calendar year aggregated 718 tons worth \$13,955; in 1935 imports amounted to 608 tons at \$10,905.

PRODUCTION OF FELDSPAR IN CANADA

Month	1936(a)	1935	1934
	Tons	Tons	Tons
January	301	819	1,551
February	937	635	1,183
March	378	873	1,822
April	825	552	695
May	1,223	1,136	584
June	2,565	1,907	1,080
July	2,859	2,660	1,426
August	1,910	1,923	1,997
September	2,749	1,169	2,152
October	2,245	1,701	2,204
November	1,820	3,165	1,951
December	1,500	1,202	1,657
TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR	20,418(b)	17,742	18,302

(a) Subject to revision.

SALT - Commercial salt shipments during December amounted to 14,305 tons as against 30,205 tons in the preceding month and 13,323 tons in December, 1935. During the calendar year 1936 Canadian producers shipped 225,521 tons or 4.9 per cent above the tonnage shipped in 1935.

A decline of 27.1 per cent was shown in the exports of salt from Canada in December as compared with the previous month; the totals were, 592 tons and 812 tons, respectively. Exportations during 1936 totalled 5,549 tons; in 1935, 9,045 tons were exported.

Imports of salt in December declined to 4,347 tons worth \$14,482 from the November total of 12,330 tons at \$63,308. The following countries were the sources of the November importations: the United States, 34.4 per cent; Italy, 25.4 per cent; British West Indies, 20.7 per cent, end Great Britain, 19.5 per cent. Receipts of table salt during the month amounted to 7 tons; of salt for sea or gulf fisheries, 1,502 tons; of salt in bulk, n.o.p., 2,462 tons, and of other salt in bags, barrels and other coverings, 376 tons.

⁽b) The 1936 figures include some shipments of nepheline syenite.

PRODUCTION OF COMMERCIAL SALT IN CANADA.

Mon+h	1936(a)	1935	1934
	Tons	Tons	Tons
January	11,013	11,189	10,641
February	11,662	10,905	10,204
March	13,411	13,860	14,818
April	16,064	21,509	19,476
lay	27,016	22,857	20,346
une	19,257	16,510	15,894
uly	20,962	23,841	16,724
lugust	19,726	15,786	16,815
September	19,404	18,225	18,289
October	22,496	20,400	22,187
November	30,205	26,505	20,545
December	14,305	13,323	11,682
TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR	225,521	214,910	197,621

⁽a) Subject to revision.

