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MONTHLY REPORT

FELDSPAR AND SALT PRODUCTION IN CANADA - APRIL, 1938.

FELDSPAR - Shipments of feldspar by Canadian producers in April amounted to 585 tons compared with 818 tons in the preceding month and 1,048 tons in April, 1937, according to a statement just issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa. During the first four months of the current year, 3,450 tons were shipped; a year ago, shipments totalled 5,824 tons.

Imports of ground feldspar into Canada in April were recorded at 42 tons worth \$677; in March, 109 tons at \$1,897 were imported.

PRODUCTION OF FELDSPAR IN CANADA

Month	1938(a)	1937(a)	1936
	Tons	Tons	Tons
January	1,341	1,177	788
February	705	1,538	819
March	818	2,061	767
April	586	1,048	721
May		1,224	1,074
June		1,801	2,242
July		2,458	2,499
August		2,088	1,669
September		2,216	2,403
October		1,647	1,962
November		1,464	1,591
December		1,983	1,311
TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR		20,705	17,846
TOTAL - FOUR MONTHS ending APRIL	3,450	5,824	3,095

⁽a) Subject to revision.

SALT - Commercial salt shipments during April totalled 27,419 tons; in March, 13,650 tons were shipped while in April, 1937, shipments amounted to 26,101 tons. During the period January to April, 1938, Conadian producers shipped 64,849 tons of commercial salt compared with 63,221 tons a year ago.

Canada exported 584 tons of salt during the month as against 1,247 tons in the preceding month.

Customs' records show that Canada imported 7,179 tons of salt worth \$28,920 in April; during March, 4,738 tons at \$18,799 were imported. The April receipts consisted of 7 tons of table salt, 3,653 tons of salt for sea or gulf fisheries, 2,254 tons of salt in bulk, n.o.p., and 1,265 tons of salt in bags, barrels and other coverings. The United States accounted for 28.2 per cent of the April imports, Italy, 24.7 per cent; British West Indies, 24.1 per cent, and Great Britain, 23.0 per cent.

PRODUCTION OF COMMERCIAL SALT IN CANADA

Months	1938(a)	1937(a)	1936
	Tons	Tons	Tons
January February March April May June July August September October November December TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR	11,575 12,205 13,650 27,419	11,910 11,706 13,504 26,101 24,343 24,841 23,487 20,011 25,922 28,128 32,520 13,697 256,170	11,013 11,662 13,411 16,064 27,016 19,257 20,962 19,726 19,404 22,496 30,205 14,218
TOTAL - FOUR MONTHS ending APRIL	64,849	63,221	52,150

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