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#### MONTHLY REPORT

# FELDSPAR and SALT PRODUCTION IN CANADA - OCTOBER, 1939

FELDSPAR - The Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa reports that the Canadian shipments of feldspar in October amounted to 1,535 tons; in September, 1,221 tons were shipped while in October, 1938 shipments totalled 1,344 tons. During the first ten months of 1939, Canadian producers shipped 8,988 tons compared with 11,782 tons a year ago.

Exports of feldsper advanced to 838 tons in October from the September total of 776 tons. Nepheline-syenite exports were recorded at 2,794 tons compared with 2,520 tons in September.

Imports of ground feldspar amounted to 60 tons valued at \$1,189 as against 103 tons at \$1,874 imported in September. Receipts during the period January to October aggregated 547 tons worth \$9,194.

PRODUCTION OF FELDSPAR IN CANADA Month 1939(a) 1938 1937 Tons Tons Tons January ...... 762 1,480 1,087 February ...... 905 778 1,563 March ..... 650 903 2,094 April ..... 647 609 1,053 May ..... 803 1,245 1,216 June ...... 1,113 968 2,231 July ..... 921 978 2,498 1,663 August ...... 614 2,118 September ..... 1,221 1,631 2,249 October ..... 1,535 1,693 1,344 November ..... 1,265 1,505 December ...... 1,011 2,039 TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR ..... 14,058 21,346 8,988 TOTAL - TEN MONTHS ending OCTOBER ... 11,782 17,802

SALT - Canadian producers shipped 33,278 tons of commercial salt in October compared with 26,322 tons in the preceding month and 33,169 tons in October, 1938. During the first ten months of 1939, shipments aggregated 209,835 tons; this represented a 5.1 per cent decrease from the quantity shipped a year ago.

Customs' records show that Canada exported 629 tons of salt in October; during the previous month, 819 tons were exported.

Imports of salt into Canada in October declined to 12,697 tons, made up of 2,930 tons of salt for sea or gulf fisheries worth \$10,663; 6,440 tons of salt in bulk, n.o.p., at \$25,475 and 3,327 tons of salt in bags, barrels and other coverings with a valuation of \$26,092.

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PRODUCTION OF COMMERCIAL SALT IN CANADA

Month	1939(a)	1938	1937
	Tons	Tons	Tons
January	10,535	11,575	11,824
February	10,982	12,205	11,622
March	13,882	13,650	13,406
April	18,818	27,419	25,908
Aay	25,732	25,662	24,167
June	26,288	28,515	24,658
uly	22,925	20,350	23,317
lugust	21,073	22,730	19,866
September	26,322	25,939	25,734
October	33,278	33,169	27,475
November		34,319	32,106
December		13,574	13,425
TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR		269,107	253,808
TOTAL - TEN MONTHS ending OCTOBER	209,835	221,214	207,977

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